

Human-Computer Interaction IS4300

P5 – Paper Prototyping *due*



- Recruit 3-5 users who are as close as possible to your target demographic.
- Be sure to record demographic information (age, gender, education, occupation, etc.) for your report.
- Testing Users When you run your prototype on a user, you should do the following things:
 - Obtain verbal consent for participation.
 - Brief the user.
 - Present one task.
 - Watch the user do the task. Take notes of your observations.
 - Repeat with the other tasks.
 - Interview users, take any measures you think are important.

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P6 – Software Prototyping

- First computer-based implementation of your term project.
- Your computer prototype should be:
 - High fidelity in look.
 - Medium fidelity in feel. It's OK if your prototype does not support some advanced interactions, such as drag & drop. You can simulate these with animation, or a popup that describes in English what would happen.
 - Medium fidelity in breadth. Your prototype should be able to handle at least the 3 scenarios you described in your task analysis.
 - Low fidelity in depth. Don't implement any backend. Where system responses are needed, make them canned (i.e., always the same) or random. Write minimal code.



P6 – Software Prototyping

- DUE IN 2 WEEKS (11/14):
- IMPORTANT:
 - Your system must actually run and support your 3+ tasks to some level of fidelity.
 - Other students in the class must be able to download your software on any readily available computer and walk through the 3 tasks with little or nor help from you.
 - If you must develop for a unique device (e.g. iPhone) you must be prepared to loan 3-5 other students a device so they can do heuristic evaluation.



Group Project Deployment & Testing Plans?

Project	Members	Topic
1	Kenny, Eric, Sebastian	Stub hub
2	Alex G, Calvin, Pavel x 2	Textbook resale
3	Nick, David, Alex L, Bo-Ren	Multilingual JFK
4	Jenny, Jacques, Suhani	Music player
5	Noah, Jon, Bahar, Melina	MyCampus
6	Kevin A, Jacob T	OS Permissions
7	Daniel, Kevin Z	Gamified scheduler
8	Jacob VH, Cody	OCRemix OCREMIX



Ubicomp

- Ubiquitous Computing, aka
- Pervasive Computing
- "Computing off the desktop"
- Mark Weiser @ Xerox PARC 1990's





Xerox PARC Projects

- PARCtab ('90s)
 - Location sensitive mobile computing
 - IR communication with each room







Ubicomp Topics

- Mobile computing
- Smart homes
- Passive sensing
- Context aware systems
- Ambient interfaces
- Automated capture & access
- Etc.



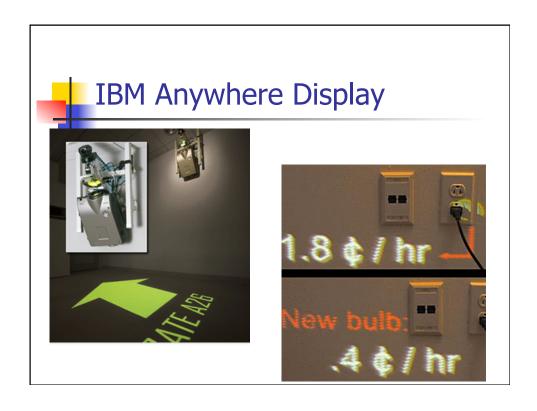
Professional Conferences

- ~CHI
- Ubicomp
- MobileHCI
- Pervasive Computing



Interactive wall-sized displays







Ambient Interfaces: Ambient Orb



Ambientdevices.com



Context-Aware Computing

- Apps that automatically respond to, or incorporate, context.
- Examples of context?
 - Location
 - Time
 - Activity
 - People
- Current examples of context sensing?
- Trying to guess 'user intent' is notoriously difficult...

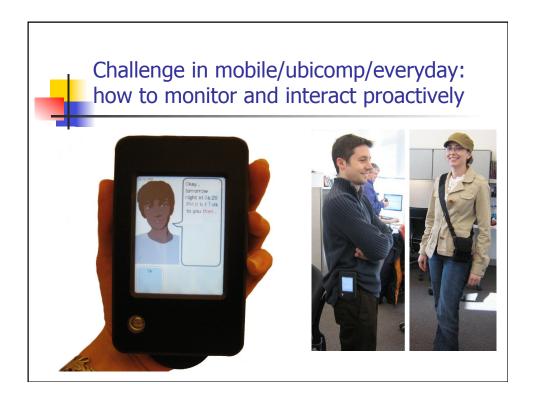


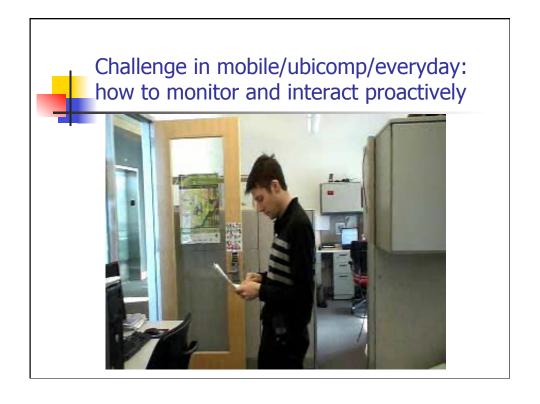




Exercise

- Design an algorithm for the Star Trek doors.
 - Assume any existing sensors.







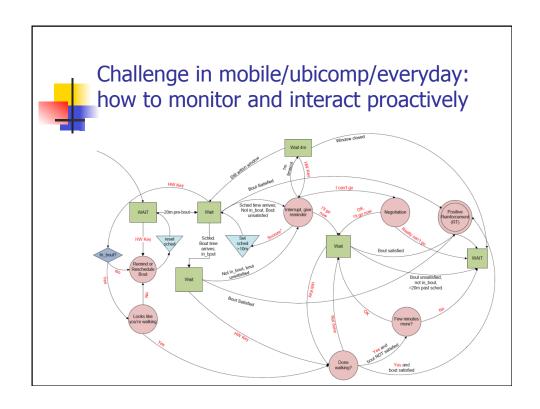
Wearable Agent Field Study

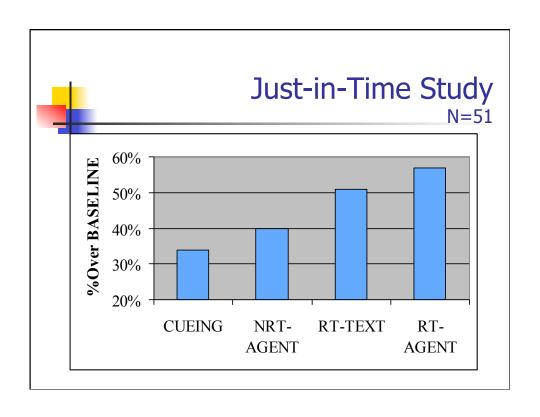
- Primary hypothesis: real-time intervention more effective than retrospective.
- 5-week, 5-treatment within-subjects design
- 100 free-living, sedentary adults



Problem

- User has scheduled a time they have committed to go for 10 minute walk
- Accelerometer tells you
 - Whether they are walking or not (in bout)
 - Whether they satisfied their commitment
- Remind them when time
 - Allow them to "snooze" for 10 mins
 - Allow them to "opt out" (with "negotiation")
- Determine whether they did their walk
 - Can be +/- 20min window of specified time
 - Positive reinforcement if yes







How do our models of interaction need to change for ubicomp?

- Model Human Processor / Norman's Interaction Model, Assumes:
 - single user
 - uninterrupted task
 - state either on screen or in working memory
- Alternate theoretical frameworks
 - Activity theory, Distributed cognition, Ethnography



Benyon Ch 19 Mobile computing

- How to do requirements analysis ("understanding")?
 - Observation (problems?)
 - Interviews & Mockups
 - Surveys
 - Diary studies
 - Street activity sampling (short interviews)
 - Expert interviews
 - Ethical issues?



Benyon Ch 19 Mobile computing

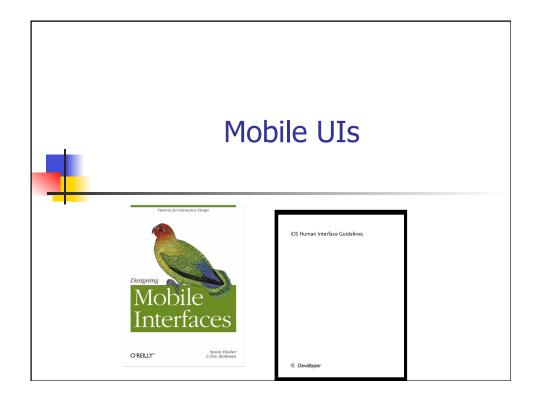
- How to do evaluation?
 - Expert methods
 - User testing





How do mobile UIs (apps) impact design principles?

- Visibility?
- Feedback?
- Modes (memory)?
- Learnability?
- External consistency?
- Affordances?



Mobile UIs

What's different in designing for mobile vs. desktop apps?





Mobile UIs

- Hoober & Berkman
 - Small
 - Portable
 - Connected
 - Interactive
 - Contextually Aware



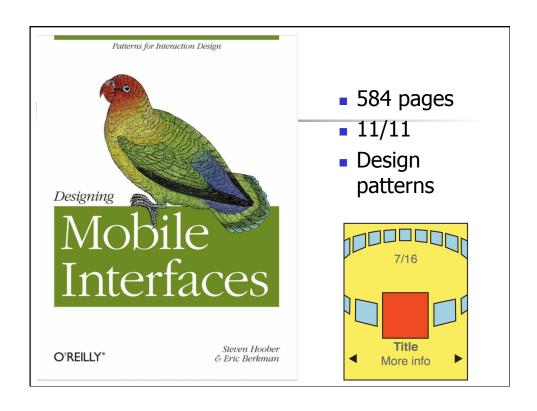
Differences from Desktop

Challenges

- Limited screen space, or no screen at all.
- battery life
- limitations on storage, memory, processor and communication ability
- screens on non-smartphone mobiles may not be 'bit-mapped' (alphanumeric)
- All sorts of people will be using the device used in all manner of physical and social contexts.

Advantages

- novel forms of interaction
- sensors





Some Issues in Designing for Mobile Devices?

- Small UI
- Limited input ability
- Wide variety of
 - Screen size / resolution
 - Hardware inputs
 - Sensor inputs
 - Connectivity options
 - OS / API versions
- Rapidly changing device & OS (some)



Principles of Mobile Design Hooker & Berkman

- Respect User-Entered Data
 - Input is hard
- Mobiles are Personal
 - Assume one user, with personal data active
- Lives Take Precedence
 - Don't interrupt unless necessary
- Must Work in all Contexts
 - E.g., screen brightness
- Use Sensors & Smarts
 - Do things for the user when possible
- User Tasks Take Precedence
 - User-directed interaction
- Consistency (external & internal)



Page Layout Guidelines

- Mobile screen real estate is valuable.
 - Skip unnecessary banners, images, graphics ("administrative clutter" – Tufte)
- Consistent & simple navigation elements
- Keep everything as simple as possible
- For Serious tools (vs. games)
 - Minimal number of colors
 - Keep UI data-centered

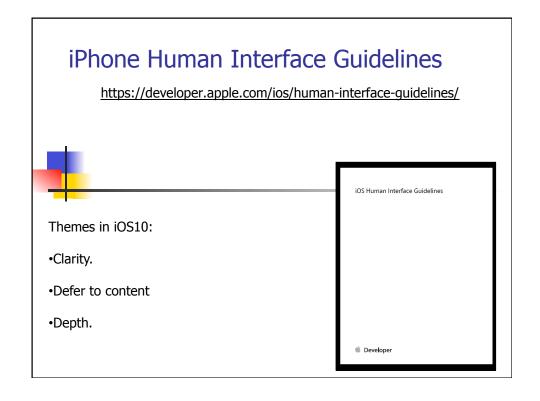


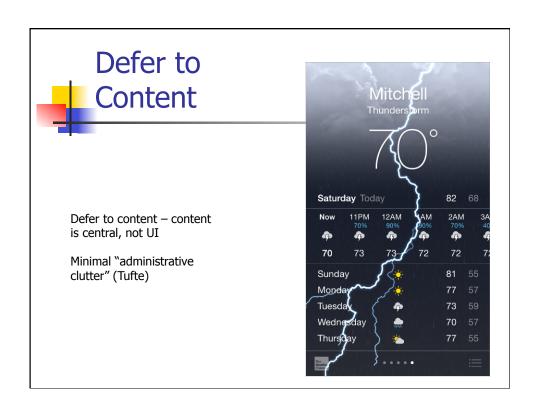


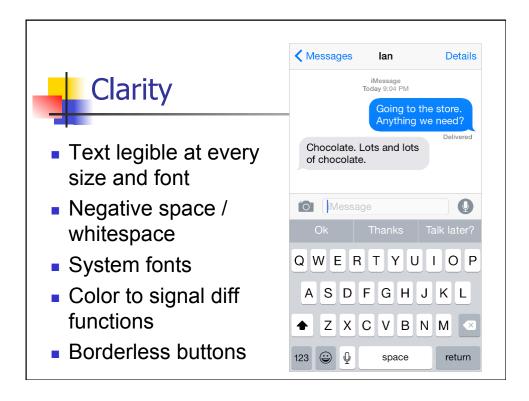
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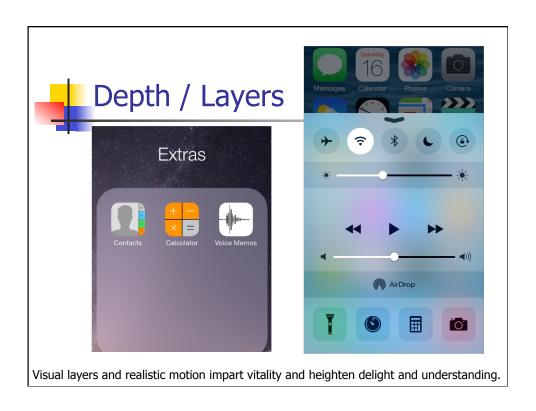
Hooker & Berkman

- Storyboard UIs (as before)
- Additional considerations
 - Gestural interface & finger size
 - Use contexts
 - Asynchronous events
 - Use of sensors, devices
 - Different display sizes, orientations (e.g., auto-switch landscape / portrait)

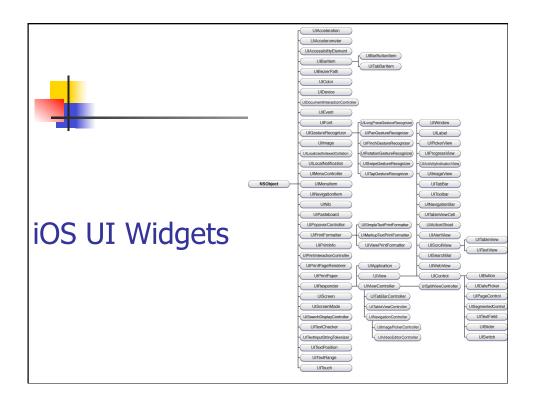


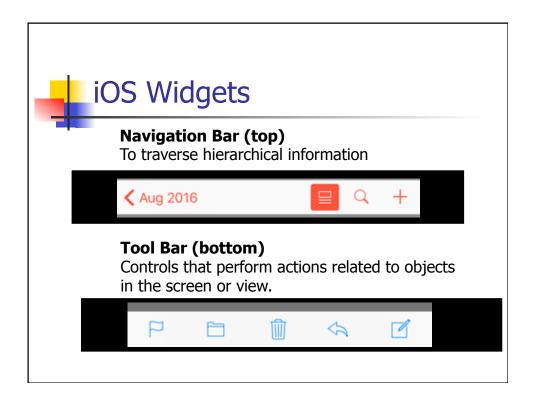


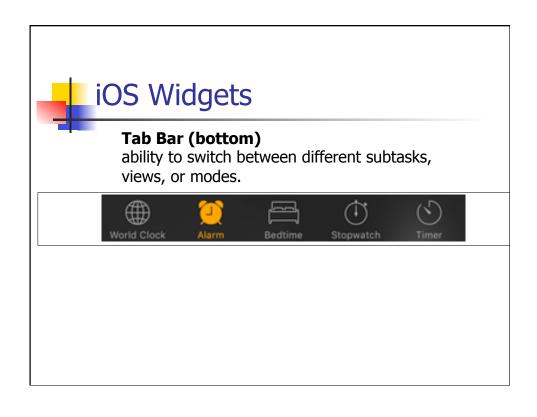


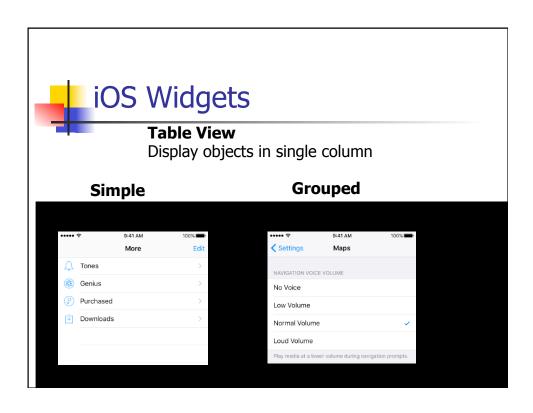


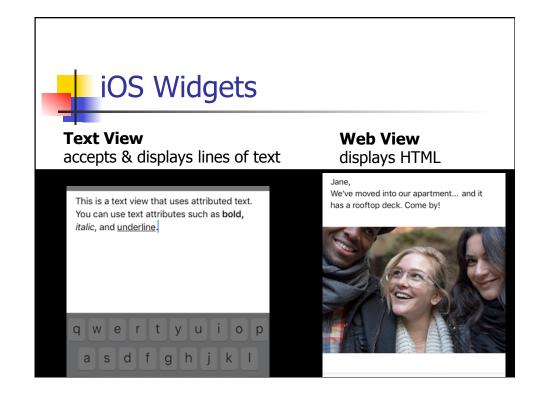




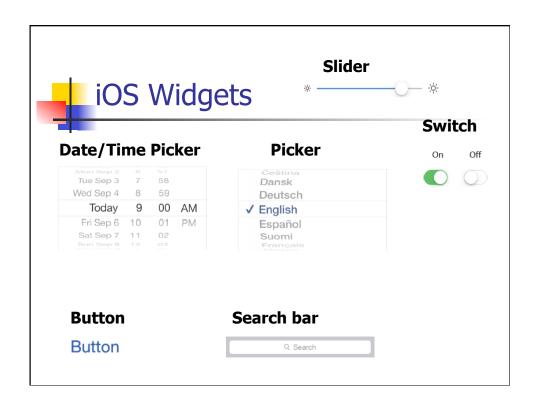














iOS Human Interface Guidelines

- The Display Is Paramount
 - The display of an iOS-based device is at the heart of the user's experience.
 - The display encourages people to forget about the device and to focus on their content or task.
- Device Orientation Can Change

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Apps Respond to Gestures, Not Clicks

- Tap
- To press or select a control or item
- Drag
 - To scroll or pan; To drag an element.
- Flick
 - To scroll or pan quickly.
- Swipe
 - To reveal hidden content / widgets.
- Double tap
 - Zoom in and center; Zoom out.
- Pinch
 - Zoom in ; Zoom out
- Pressure (3D touch)
 - Spring-back mode (e.g., preview)





iOS Human Interface Guidelines

- People Interact with One App at a Time
- Preferences Are Available in Settings
 - Single, common settings app.
- Onscreen User Help Is Minimal
- Most iOS Apps Have a Single Window



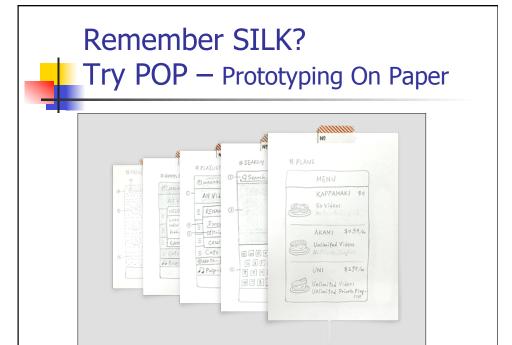
iOS Design Methodology

- 1. Create an App Definition Statement (aka requirements analysis)
 - List All the Features (tasks) You Think Users Might Like
 - 2. Determine Who Your Users Are
 - Filter the Feature List Through the Audience Definition

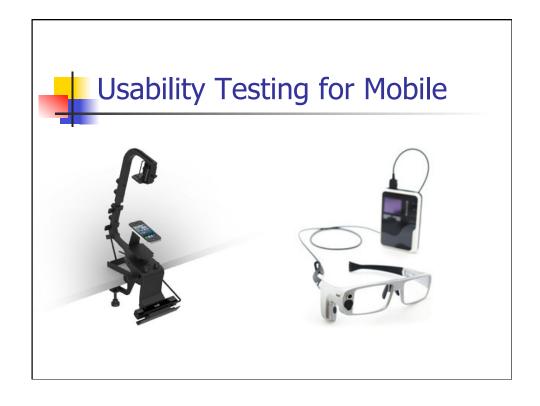


iOS Design Methodology

- 2. Design the App for the Device
 - Follow iOS UI Paradigms
 - Controls should look tappable
 - App structure should be clean and easy to navigate
 - User feedback should be subtle, but clear
 - Reconsider Web-Based Designs
 - Focus your app narrow set of tasks
 - Make sure your app lets people do something interactive
 - Design for touch
 - Let people scroll





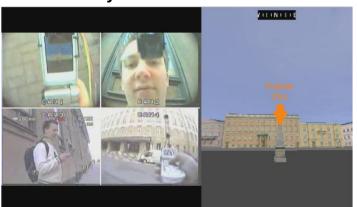




How to do usability studies of *in situ* mobile users?

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Mobile Usability Lab...

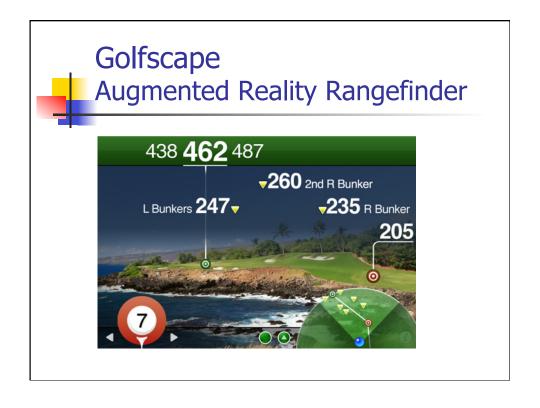


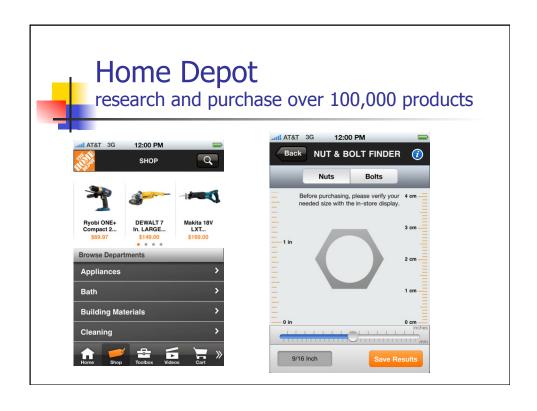


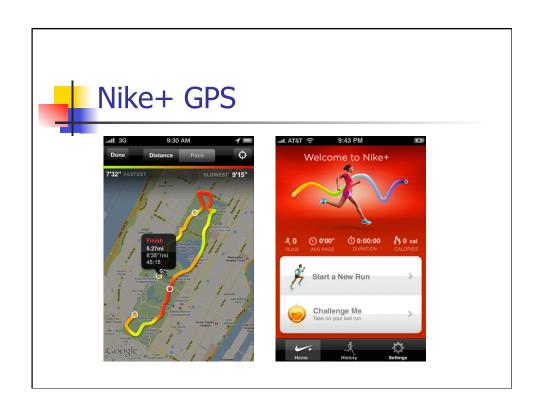
Example Apps

30 Superb Examples of iPhone Interface Design topDesign mag

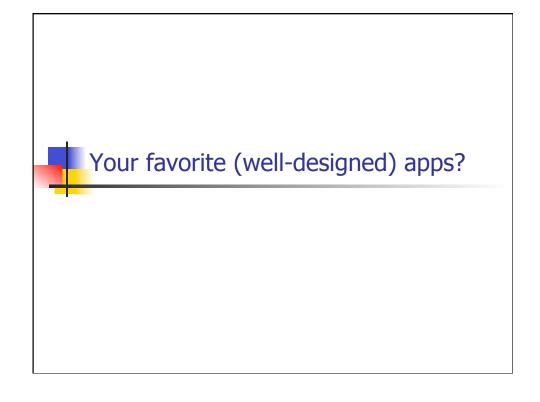










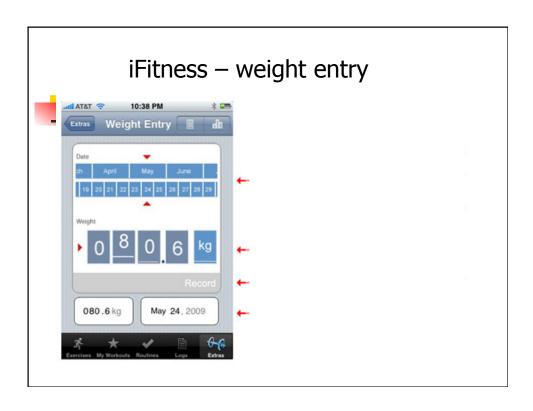


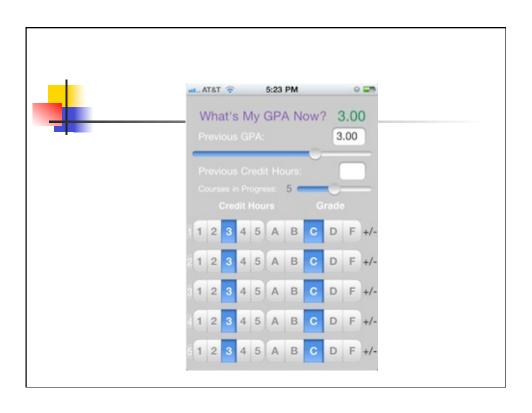


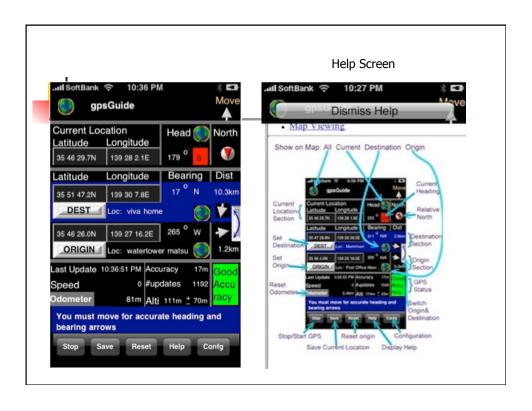
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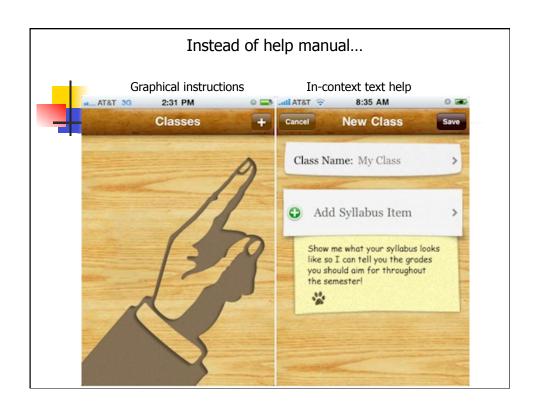
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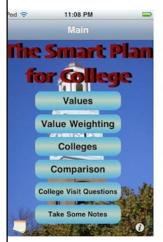














Basics of Graphic Design

Contrast: poor contrast between the background and the content.

Repetition: Last two rows in the left example break the font size pattern, and the right example doesn't have much repetition at all

Alignment: Left alignment generally looks more professional than centered alignment (left) or no alignment (right).

Proximity: Very weak spatial groupings



Exercise

- Break into teams
- Design a new myNEU portal* for an iPhone
 - How would you do requirements analysis?
 - Determine most important subset of tasks
 - Sketch a design
 - Sketch main app page
 - How is your design different from a desktop app?

^{*} or other NU-related app



To do

- Read
 - Designing for the Web (Benyon Ch 14).
- Start P6
- Consider starting on final report