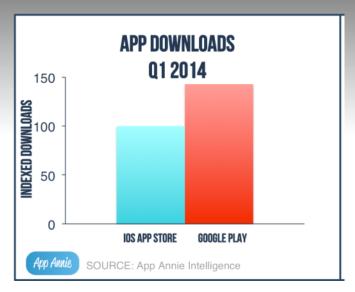
# HYBRID APP DEV & MOBILE INTERACTION DESIGN GUIDELINES

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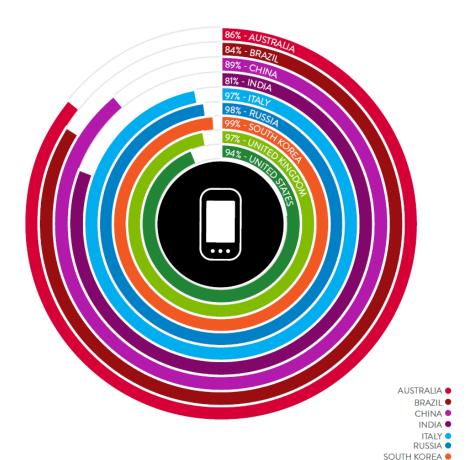
#### HOW MANY OF US USE A MOBILE PHONE?

#### MOBILE IS HUGE



Users of mobile apps worldwide by region 2012-2017 according to Portio Research				
	2012	2013	2017	
App users worldwide	1.2 billion	N/A	4.4 billion	
Asia Pacific	30%	32%	47%	
Europe	29%	28%	21%	
North America	18%	17%	10%	
Middle East & Africa	14%	13%	12%	
Latin America	9%	10%	10%	
Source: © Portio Research (March 2013)		via: © r	via: © mobiThinking	

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Sources: Nielsen Global Smartphone Insights, first half of 2012; Nielsen Mobile Insights, 2012



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#### LECTURE'S OBJECTIVES

- 1. Introduce app design guidelines
- 2. Raise awareness about mobile development technologies
- 3. Demo of INTEL XDK

# OBJECTIVE (1st)

Introduce app design guidelines

#### Question

- If you had to choose one aspect of mobile interaction that is crucial to design, what would that be?
- Take a minute to think about it and write/ type it

### Challenges for mobile interaction?

#### Challenges for mobile interaction

- Requires visual attention
- Context dependent
- Limited screen
- Limited input
- Processor
- Energy

# Opportunities?



### Opportunities - mobile interaction

- Personal
- Sensors
  - Microphone
  - Camera
  - Accelerometer
  - Light
  - GPS
  - RFID/NFC
  - Compass
  - Gyroscope
  - Proximity

- (almost) always with user
- Connected
  - 4G, WiFi, Bluetooth
- Touch, gestures (NUI)

# General to specific guidelines

#### Technology Acceptance Model (TAM)

- Perceived usefulness
  - is defined as the extent to which a person believes that using the system will enhance his or her job performance
- Perceived ease of use
  - is defined as the extent to which a person believes that using the system will be free of effort.

Davis, F. D. (1989), "Perceived usefulness, perceived ease of use, and user acceptance of information technology", MIS Quarterly 13(3): 319-340

#### TAM: Usefulness

- Extending functionality
  - Enlarging screen estate for collaboration
  - Extending keyboard for typing
  - APIs

#### Andres Lucero (USI2002)

- Pass-them-around
- [Lucero, A., Holopainen, J., & Jokela, T. (2011, May). Pass-them-around: collaborative use of mobile phones for photo sharing. In Proceedings of the SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (pp. 1787-1796). ACM.]
- https://youtu.be/7JY7ZCTvmDA

# Sandwich Keyboard: Fast Ten-Finger Typing on a Mobile Device with Adaptive Touch Sensing on the Back Side

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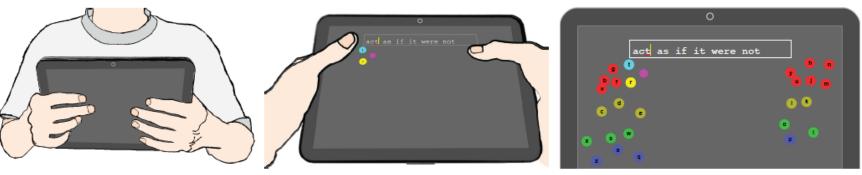


Figure 1. Sandwich Keyboard is gripped from its sides such that the thumbs type on the front side (middle) and the other fingers on the back side (left). Key targets of the keyboard in the back can be projected to the front to aid in learning the technique (right). Colors denote finger assignment.

#### **APIs**

- List of APIs
  - >13K @ programmableweb.com
  - https://www.mashape.com/explore
- Crowd APIs
  - http://sandbox.gengo.com
  - Amazon Mechanical Turk API Reference
  - Microworkers API tutorial

#### TAM: Ease of Use

## Industry perspective



#### CONTEXT IS KING

[Gualtieri, M. (2011). Mobile App Design Best Practices. Forrester Research]

Figure 5 The Fiv	ve Dimensions Of Mobile UX Context: LLIID
	<b>,</b>
Location	Mobile users can use their mobile device wherever they are.
Locomotion	Mobile users can use their mobile device on the go. Users may be walking, running, in a car, on a boat, or in any other manner of motion while using a mobile device.
Immediacy	Mobile users can use their mobile device at a moment's notice.
Intimacy	Mobile users may use multiple devices for different purposes, and a device's use can vary from a digital appendage to an occasionally used device for a specific personal or work task.
Device	<ul> <li>Mobile devices vary greatly in form factor and capabilities.</li> <li>Smartphones, eReaders, tablets, and other devices.</li> </ul>

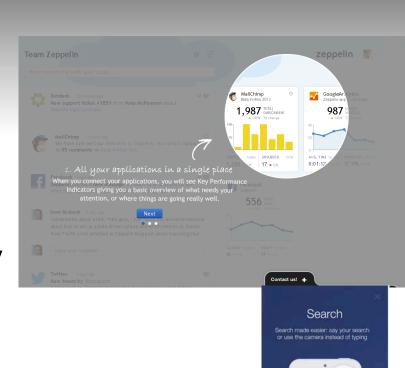
59132 Source: Forrester Research, Inc.

# Apple's Human Interface Guidelines (HIG)

https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/ UserExperience/Conceptual/MobileHIG/index.html

- Start Instantly, avoid displaying a splash screen
- Avoid asking people to supply setup information
  - Set up for the needs of 80% of your users
  - Get as much info as possible from other sources
  - If you must ask for setup information, prompt people to enter it within your app
- Delay a login requirement for as long as possible
  - App Store doesn't ask login until buying something
  - If necessary provide a brief, friendly explanation with the reasons and how it benefits users

- Think carefully before providing onboarding
- If necessary:
  - Give only the info to get started
  - Use animation and interactivity to engage users and help them learn by doing
  - Make it easy to dismiss or skip the onboarding experience
- Avoid asking users to rate app too soon



In general, launch in the device's current orientation

 If app runs in only one orientation, you should always launch in that

orientation





- Always Be Prepared to Stop
  - Save user data as soon as possible and as often as reasonable
  - When app restarts, restore its state

#### Basic guidelines

#### Deference

 The UI helps people understand and interact with the content, but never competes with it

#### Clarity

 Text is legible at every size, icons are precise and lucid, adornments are subtle and appropriate, and a sharpened focus on functionality motivates the design

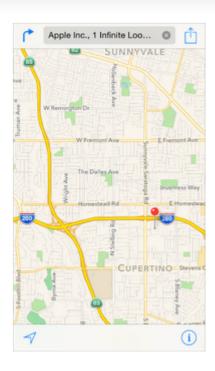
#### Depth

 Visual layers and realistic motion impart vitality and heighten people's delight and understanding

### Defer to Content (content is king)

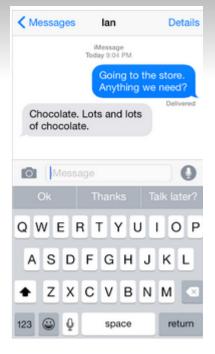
- What is the core functionality?
- Although crisp, beautiful UI and fluid motion are highlights, the content is at its heart
- Guidelines:
  - Take advantage of the whole screen
  - Reconsider visual indicators of physicality and realism

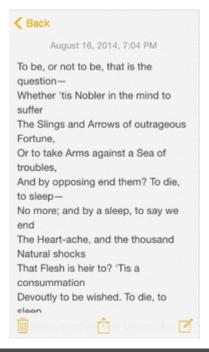




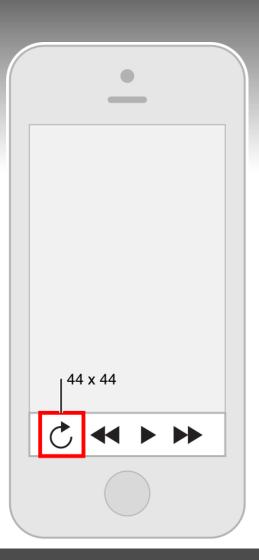
#### **Provide Clarity**

- Clarity is another way to ensure that content is king
- Guidelines:
  - Use plenty of negative space
  - Let color simplify the UI
  - Embrace borderless buttons





Give each interactive element ample spacing (~7mmx7mm)



#### Use Depth to Communicate

#### Guidelines:

- Translucent background appearing to float above the screen
- List in layers. When users work with one list, the other lists are collected together at the bottom of the screen
- Use transitions to give a sense of depth



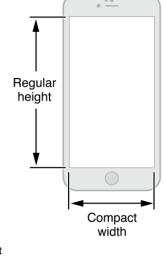
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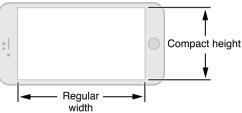
Calendars

#### Adaptivity and Layout

#### Guidelines

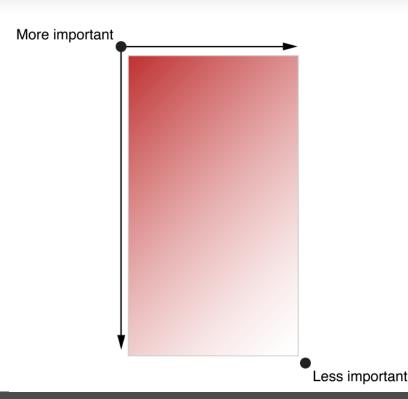
- Maintain focus on the primary content in all orientations
- Avoid unjustifiable changes in layout
- Users expect apps in different orientations





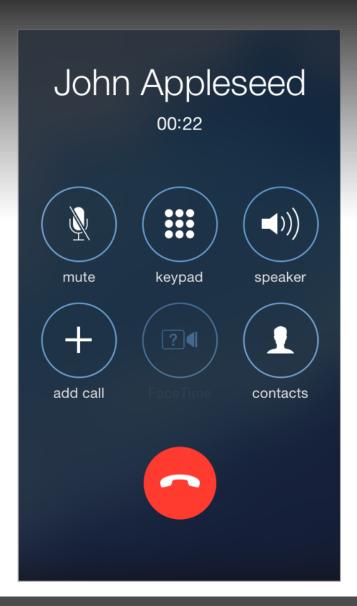
#### Use Layout to Communicate

- Place principal items in the upper half of the screen
- Near the left side of the screen (in left-to-right cultures)



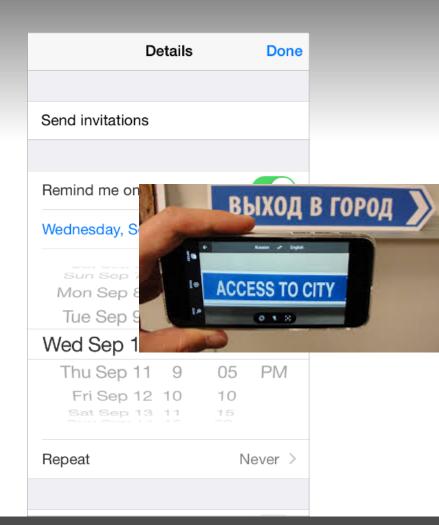
#### Visual "weight"

- Use visual weight to show the relative importance of onscreen elements
- Large items catch the eye and appear more important
- Larger items are easier to tap, especially useful in apps that users often use in distracting surroundings
- Use indentation and alignment to ease scanning and communicate groupings



#### Inputting Information Should Be Easy

- Make it easy for users to make choices
  - List instead of text
- Get information from device, when appropriate
- Balance a request for input by giving users something useful in return



#### Design Principles

- Aesthetic Integrity
  - Not a measure of the an app's beauty of artwork
  - Rather, it represents
    how well an app's
    appearance and
    behavior integrates with
    its function to send a
    coherent message

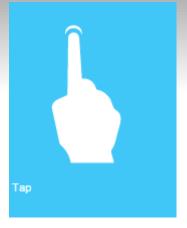


### Design Principles

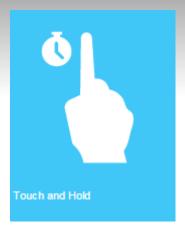
- Consistency
  - Consistency lets users transfer their knowledge and skills from one part of an app's UI to another and from one app to another app
  - Consistency does not mean verbatim copy of other apps; rather, it pays attention to the standards and paradigms people are comfortable with



### External consistency of gestures



 To press or select a control or item



In editable or selectable text, to display a magnified view for cursor positioning



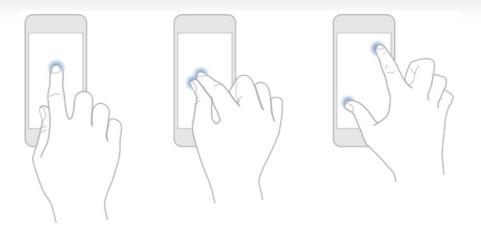
To zoom in and center a block of content or an image



To zoom in

#### Design Principles

- Direct Manipulation
  - When people directly manipulate onscreen objects instead of using separate controls to manipulate them, they're more engaged with their task and it's easier for them to understand the results of their actions



## OBJECTIVE (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Raise awareness about mobile development technologies











#### MOBDEV TECH





























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## MOBDEV TECH

	Native	Using Web tech (Hybrid)	WYSIWYG
Technical skills	00000	00	0
Native UI elements	<b>✓</b>	-	-
Ability to integrate phone sensors	•	•	-
Cross-platform	-	•	<b>✓</b>
Flexibility for developing features	•	•	-

#### ADVANTAGES

- Cross-platform
- Unified UI
- Simplified development
- Progressive enhancement
- Developing not just an app but also learning how to develop a mobile-friendly website

## WORKING ENVIRONMENT (old)

- Editor
- For User Interface (UI) & Interaction
- Mobile app interpreter & compiler
- Great tools for Rapid Prototyping
  - (not necessarily for performance)
  - More tools are appearing as we speak







#### WORKING ENVIRONMENT

- INTEL XDK is unifying these (IDE)
- "The Intel XDK application consists of a set of development tools to help you code, debug, test, and build mobile web apps and hybrid HTML5 apps for multiple target platforms." [https://software.intel.com/en-us/xdk/docs/intel-xdk-introduction]





+App preview on your phone:



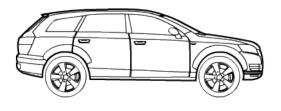
## CLIENT-SIDE SCRIPTING

#### HTML

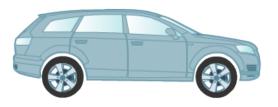








Structure



Style



**Behavior** 

#### WHAT IS JAVASCRIPT?

- JavaScript is a scripting language mainly used for creating dynamic websites
- JavaScript was initially developed by Netscape

It is NOT Java!

#### WHAT IS JQUERY?

- <u>iQuery</u> is a fast and concise JavaScript library
- Practically speaking it is helping you to write JavaScript more efficiently

#### WHAT IS JQUERY MOBILE?

- jQuery Mobile (jQM): Touch-Optimized Web Framework for Smartphones & Tablets
- Developed on HTML5, CSS and jQuery
- With jQM you essentially build crossbrowser, mobile-friendly websites

### WHAT IS CORDOVA?

 Cordova is an open source framework for quickly building cross-platform mobile apps using HTML5, Javascript and CSS <a href="https://cordova.apache.org/">https://cordova.apache.org/</a>



#### WEB APPS vs. HYBRID APPS

- Rely on web server and accessed via the Internet
- Run in a mobile
   browser and originate
   from and have access
   to a network addressable server
- Have no server and no guarantee that they will ever have a network connection!
- Run within a webview,
  - Are simply files stored in a package on the mobile device's filesystem (i.e. not complied)

http://blogs.intel.com/evangelists/2015/12/31/five-useful-tips-ongetting-started-building-cordova-mobile-apps-with-the-intel-xdk/

# HOW DOES IT WORK? (SYSTEM LEVEL - MACRO)

- Cordova has pre baked native apps for different Oss that wrap a webview
- Whatever HTML5 code you write is interpreted within that webview
- Have access to mobile sensors (camera, mic, GPS, etc.) & mobile information (contacts, battery statue and other device info, etc.)

#### ARCHITECTURE - MACRO

 Cordova is a framework specific to the OS you target

- Cordova wraps a webview
- Developer writes HTML, CSS, JS



Cordova interfaces sensors with webview and packages the HTML, CSS, JS files

#### ARCHITECTURE - MESO

- "Multi-page, single file" architecture
  - i.e. many pages in one html file
- "Multi-page, multi file" architecture
  - i.e. many pages in many html files



## HOW DOES IT WORK? (PROGRAMING LEVEL - MICRO)

 JQM utilizes custom data- attributes and has special classes build-in



#### HTML5 - STRUCTURE

- Elements have attributes
  - html element has the attribute lang
  - the attribute lang has value en

```
<html lang="en">
<head>
<title>Swapping Songs</title>
</head>
<body>
<hl>Swapping Songs</hl>
Tonight I swapped some of the songs I wrote with some friends, who gave me some of the songs they wrote. I love sharing my music.
</body>
</html>
```

#### LISTVIEW

- Count bubble
  - Add a <span> with class="ui-li-count" to a listview item ()
  - E.g. <span class="ui-li-count">2</span>



### LISTVIEW

- Change icon
  - Add to attribute data-icon

```
data-theme="c" data-icon="info">
        <a href="#page5" data-transition="slide">
            About
        </a>
```



#### LISTVIEW

- Adding icons
  - Add an <img> inside an <a> of a listview item
  - Add the class="ui-li-icon" to the <img>



#### MOST UI ELEMENTS

- Change themes
  - Add attribute: data-theme to any element
  - Choose a value: a, b, c, d, e, f

```
SP1-02
<div data-role="page" id="page">
    <div data-role="header" data-theme="|">
       <h1>SP1-02</h1>
                                                                      Learning Objectives
   </div>
    <div data-role="content">
                                                                      Lecturers
        data-role="listview">
           <a href="#page2">Learnin =
           <a href="#page3">Lecture →
                                                                      Weekly Schedule
           <a href="#page4">Weekly Schedule</a><span class=
"ui-li-count">7</span>
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<div data-role="page" id="page">
   <div data-role="header" data-theme="b">
```

Learning Objectives

</div>

<h1>SP1-02</h1>

#### BASIC TEMPLATE PAGE

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
 2
     <html>
         <head>
             <meta charset="UTF-8">
             <title></title>
             <link rel="stylesheet" href="jquery.mobile-1.2.0.min.css" />
 6
             <script src="jquery-1.7.2.min.js"></script>
 8
             <script src="jquery.mobile-1.2.0.min.js"></script>
 9
         </head>
10
11
         <body>
12
           <div data-role="page">
13
               <div data-role="header" data-theme="b">
14
                   <h3></h3>
15
               </div>
16
               <div data-role="content">
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18
               </div>
19
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21
               <div data-role="footer" data-theme="b">
22
                   <h3></h3>
               </div>
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           </div>
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         </body>
26
     </html>
27
```

For linking to CDNhosted files:

http://jquerymobile.com/download/

#### RESOURCES

- http://jquerymobile.com/
- https://cordova.apache.org/ http://phonegap.com/
- https://cordova.apache.org/docs/en/latest/cordova/ plugins/pluginapis.html

 Series of videos (screencasts) on jQM: <u>http://www.youtube.com/playlist?</u>

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# OTHER INTERESTING TOOLS (for rapid prototyping)

- http://www.appinventor.org/
- http://ai2.appinventor.mit.edu/
- http://ionicframework.com/

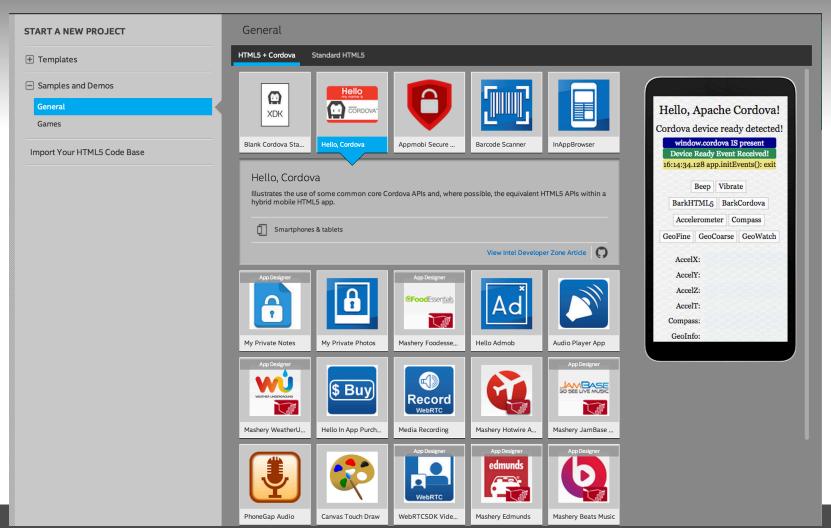
- http://framework7.io/
  - (for UI)

## YOU NEED:

- Preferably phone to test sensors that are hard to emulate
- To build you can also use: <a href="https://build.phonegap.com">https://build.phonegap.com</a>

## Demo INTEL XDK

## Lots of examples: start with



#### Documentation

 https://software.intel.com/en-us/xdk/docs/ templates-to-get-started-with-xdk-appdevelopment

#### Practical...

- FeedbackCamp
- Available through email: v.j.khan@tue.nl
- Next week: sensors

#### 5. Week 4

- · Preparation:
  - Install Intel XDK: https://software.intel.com/en-us/intel-xdk
  - Go through the "Getting started tutorial" of Intel XDK: https://software.intel.com/en-us/xdk/docs/intel-xdk-guided-tutorial
     the-intel-xdk
    - Develop an interactive prototype of an app you would like to develop with: <a href="https://marvelapp.com/">https://marvelapp.com/</a>
- Presentations:
  - Introducing the development environment and system architecture
  - Developing the UI with HTML5 and frameworks
- Homework deliverables (for week 5):
  - Actually develop the UI of the interactive prototype you prepared in HTML5. Try it on the emulator or on your phone.
  - What to be delivered (as one ZIP file)
    - source code
    - · screen copy of the output

#### SUMMARY

- Raise awareness about mobile development technologies
- Workflow of Cordova / jQM

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