Review

- UI for programming before Von Neumann/Zuse architecture?
- Important eras: 0-D/I-D user interfaces?
- HCI innovations in
 - Memex
 - Sketchpad?
 - NLS?
- What made the Apple II a success?



Interaction Design History of the Mouse



Engelbart's First Mouse (1964)

- Two wheels, wire is on the back, one button
- Won the test when comparing with other pointing devices at the time:
 - Light pen, tracking balls, foot-pedal, knee-operated devices, head-operated devices



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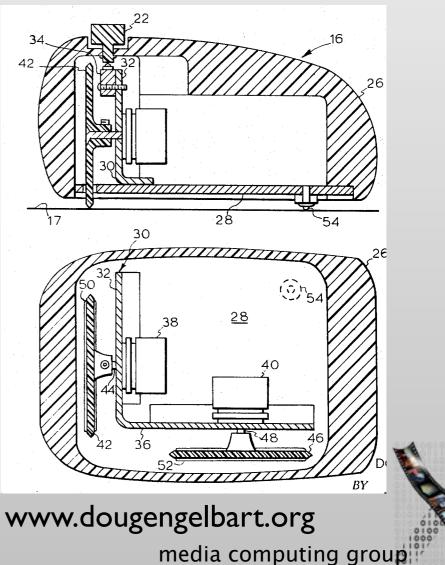




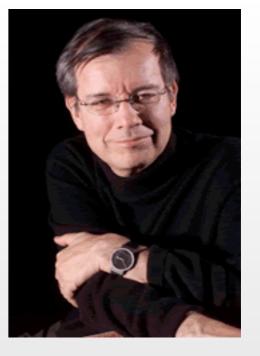
NLS Mouse (1968)

- Two wheels, three button
 - Click
 - Command accept
 - Command delete (undo)
- E.g., Delete
 - Chord: d (3rd key)
 - Mouse: point at the beginning + click
 - Mouse: point at the end + click
 - Mouse: command accept





Scientific Foundations of the Mouse (1974)



- Stuart Card aimed to create scientific process that guides the design rather than only evaluation
 - Use the theory to quickly indicate that a circuit for mouse movement during Xerox Star development was too slow
- Found that Fitts's law curve of mouse have slope about 10 bits/sec
 - Close to the hand movement \Rightarrow mouse theoretically almost optimal
- "The science doesn't design the mouse, but provided constraints to do it"



Xerox Alto (1973) and Star (1981)

• Alto

- Three buttons (descendant of NLS)
- Steel ball
- Star
 - Two buttons

Reduce confusion over button function

Optical tracking

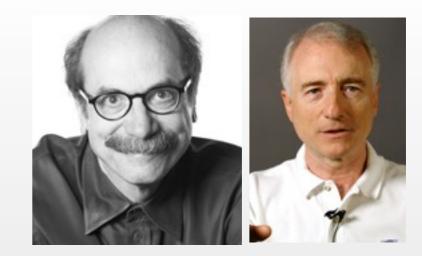


Images: www.oldmouse.com



Apple's Lisa & Macintosh (1983–4)

- Apple + David Kelly Design
- Single button decision
 - User study showed that it reduces selection error in text editing
- More reliable tracking mechanism
 - Two wheels that were read by LED + phototransistors
 - Tested with turntable:"Mouse miles"
- Less than 10% cost of Xerox Star mouse



David Kelly Larry Tesler



Photo: Buxton Collection



Microsoft Mouse (1987)

- Interdisciplinary collaboration ⇒
 leads to IDEO
 - Interaction design: ID TWO
 - Industrial design:Matrix Product Design
 - Mechanical engineering: David Kelly Design
- Findings informed design
 - Move the ball forward for higher precision
 - Larger left button: people usually left click more
 - Enable holding by only fingers
 - Buttons extend to cover the entire front

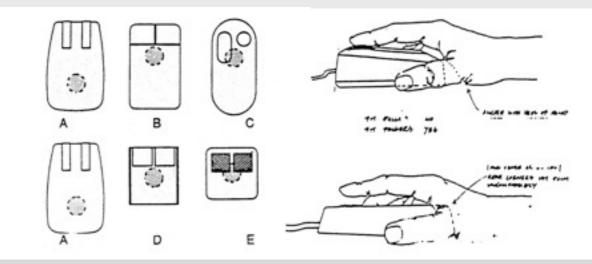


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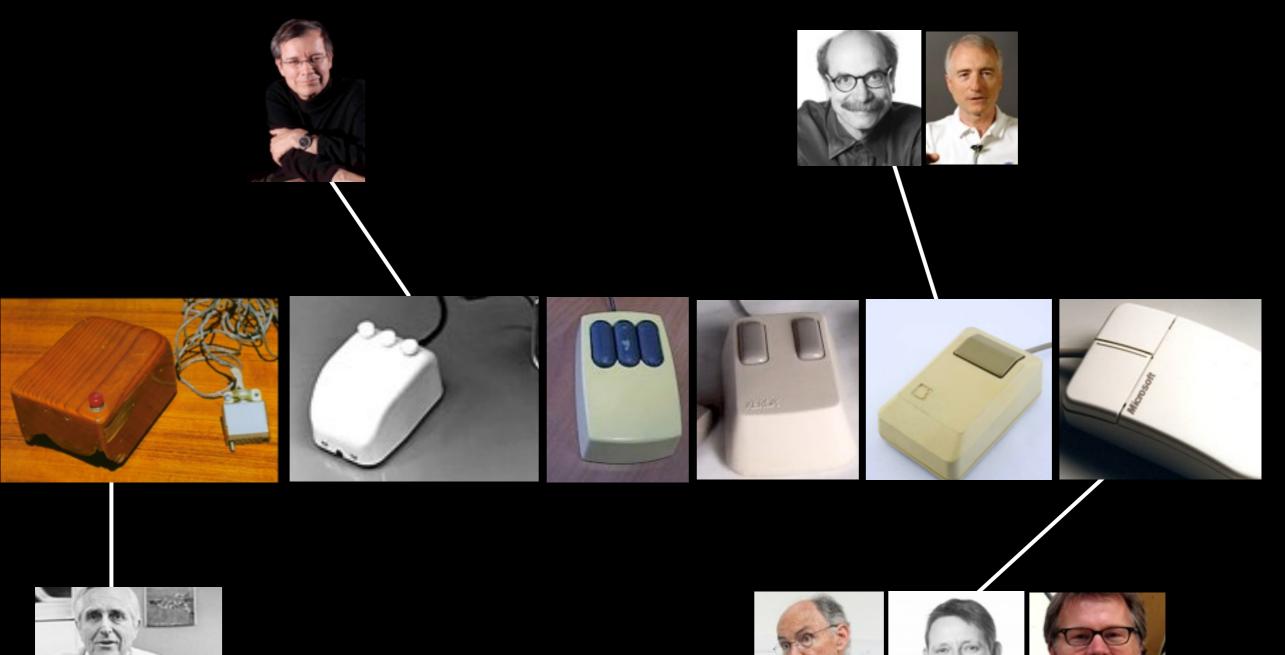
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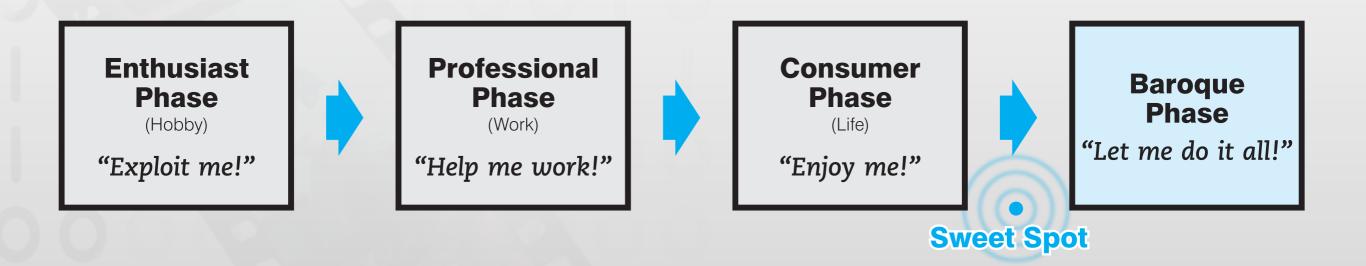
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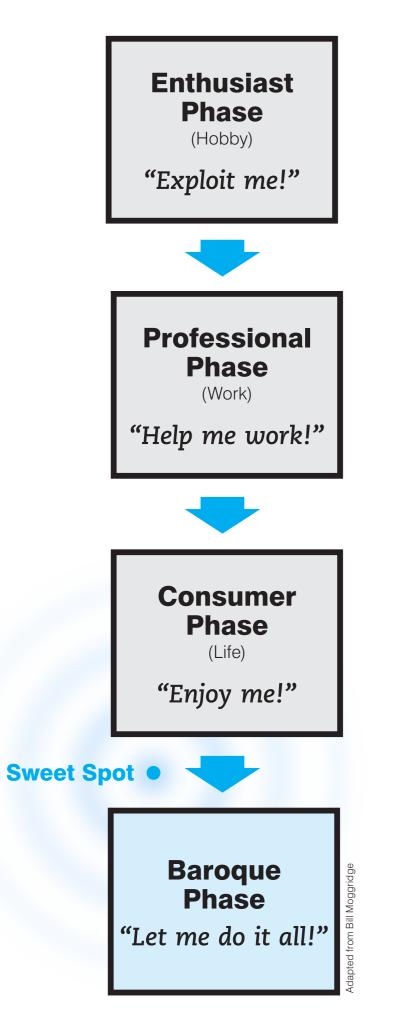
Force Shifts During Phases of the Technology Lifecycle





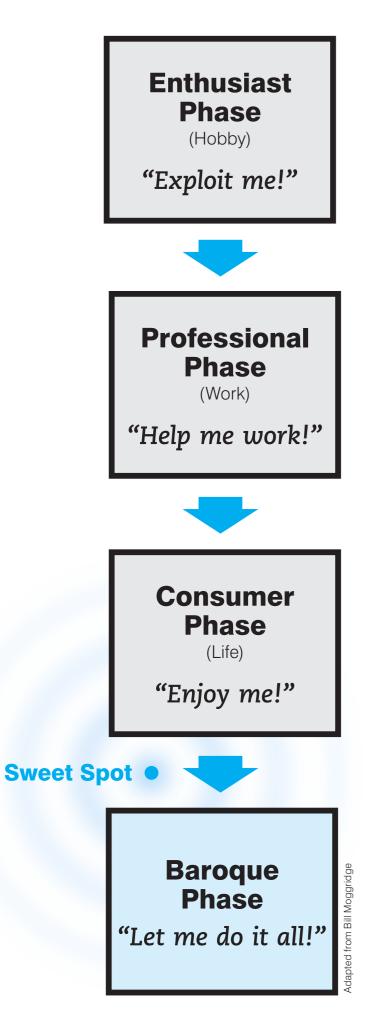
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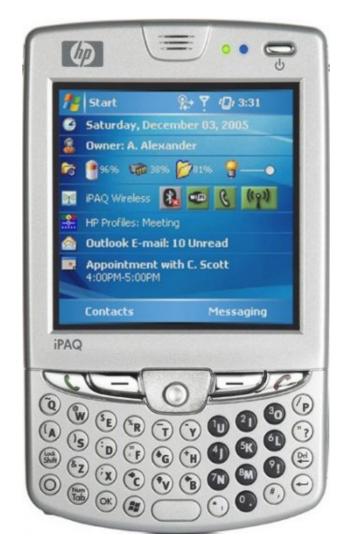












Sweet Spot

• Simplifies your life

 Rule-changing new functionality

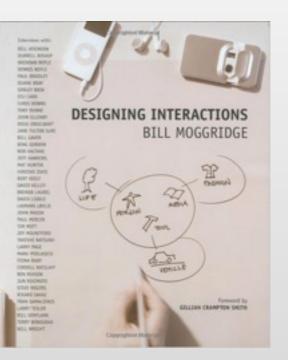
Baroque Phase

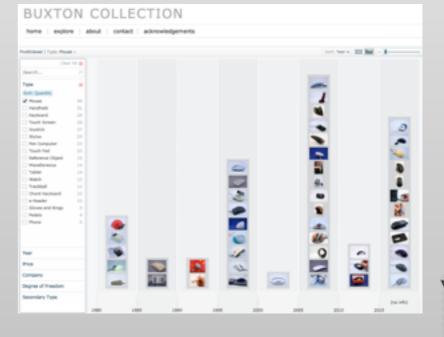
• Complicates your life

Feature creep

Next Step...

- Bill Moggridge: Designing Interactions
 - Enjoyable coffee table book
- Buxton Collection
 - Input devices
 - http://research.microsoft.com/enus/um/people/bibuxton/ buxtoncollection/

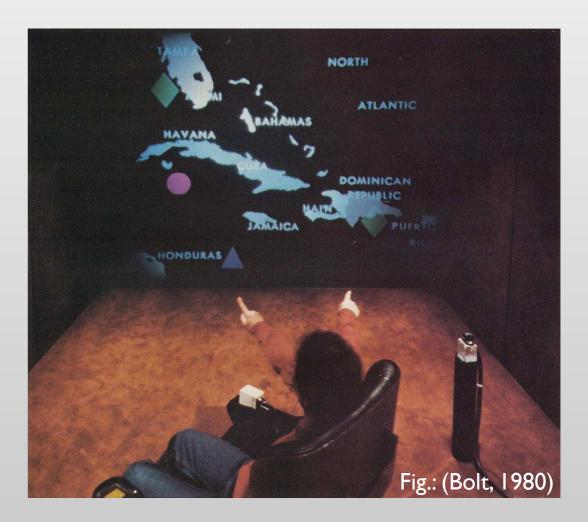




Visions of HCI

Multimodal interfaces

- Put That There (MIT, 1980)
- Key advances:
 - Recognizing human gestures
 - Combining voice with other input modes







Multimodal interfaces

- Apple Knowledge Navigator (1988)
 - Vision video mockup (not implemented)
 - Key advances: Got people enticed with ideas of user agents and multimedia





Virtual Reality



- Key advances: Producing the illusion of being in a 3-dimensional world of computer-generated objects
 - Head-Mounted Display, Ivan Sutherland, University of Utah, 1967



World-Wide Web

- Tim Berners-Lee, 1989, CERN
- Key advances: Provided quick easy ways to view both text and graphics files from remote networked sites



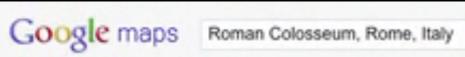


World-Wide Web

- Now getting closer to desktop-like fluid interactivity with AJAX, Web 2.0, etc.
 - Example: Google Maps











Ubiquitous Computing

- Mark Weiser, Xerox PARC †
- I991: The Computer For The 21st Century
 - Most profound technologies disappear in fabric of everyday life
- Example: writing
 - Early scribes had to know how to make ink, bake clay,...
 - Today, writing is on candy wrappers
 - A modern world without writing?
 - In comparison, information technology is still at the "scribe" stage
- Example: motors
 - 1900: I engine per factory
 - Reading assignment Now 22 motors in your car, hard and unnecessary to notice

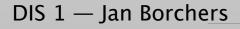


media computing group



Ubicomp vs. PC, VR

- Ubicomp = disappearing computer = augmented reality
 = calm computing
- Goal is to activate the world, putting computers into everything
- "PC" is just a transition towards real potential of computing, which will focus on human environment
 - Carrying a super-laptop is like owning just one very important book. Even customizing or having millions of it doesn't unleash literacy.
 - Multimedia as used today makes machines even more attention-grabbing, not disappearing
 - Psychological reasons for disappearing technology: Heidegger's hammer, compiling
- = VR:VR lets you explore unreachable worlds but tries to simulate
 infinite variety of reality instead of augmenting it.



Ubicomp: PARC Devices

- Must know where they are (crucial to human perception)
 - Knowing room it's in can make computer adapt significantly, without any AI
- Tabs/Pads/Boards: inch/foot/yard scale, 100s/dozens/1 or 2 per room
 - A tab for each book spine

The PARC Tab

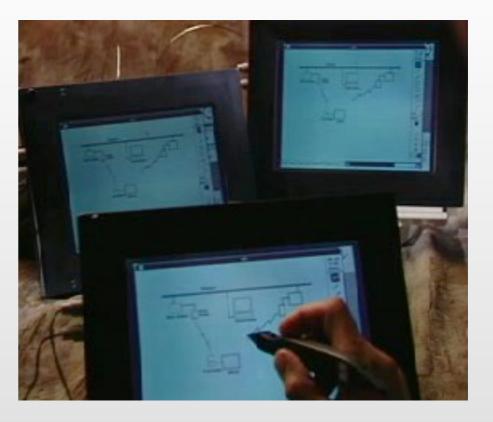
• 1993, ca. 50 deployed in PARC/EuroPARC



- Activated post-it note, can animate objects (find mislaid book,...), voting/consensus tool in meetings
- Use as active badge, identify wearer/object
- Use to shrink windows onto tab to carry with you
- Research product: assumed constant connectivity
- What is today's Tab? What's still missing?



The PARC Pad

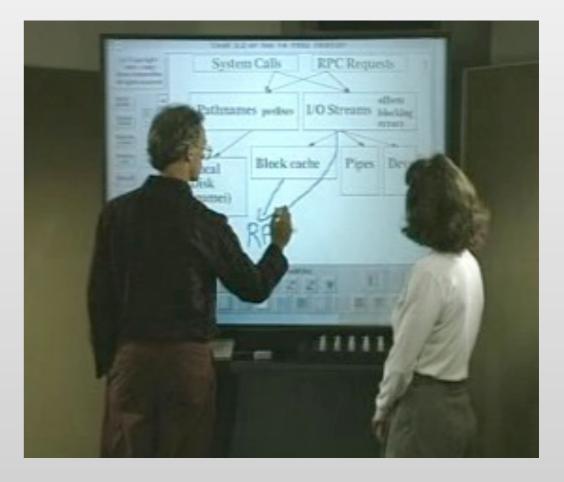


- Paper crossover with laptop
- Scrap computer (not personal to carry around with you)
- Antidote to windows: who wants 9x11" desk?
- Compare to modern Pads like the iPad: what's still missing?



The PARC Board

- Used as video screen
- Bulletin board (attuning to reader!)
- Whiteboard
- Flip chart
- Need different UI:
 - Keyboard awkward
 - Menubar hard to reach
 - Shared across Atlantic





Ubicomp Predictions

- Small displays, faster CPUs: correct
- Battery prediction too optimistic (days of use at 1000x800)
- Memory underestimated
- High-resolution walls (80+dpi, 10s of Mpix) not there yet
- OSs today assume fixed hardware configuration, but in Ubicomp, devices come and go
- Window systems assume fixed base computer
- Ubicomp diversity of input devices not being dealt with well
- Network: Bluetooth, problem of multiple connections



Ubicomp Scenarios

- Neighborhood tracks (privacy vs. "coziness")
- Paper(!) newspaper, but with electronic pen.
- Finding lost garage door opener manual
- Foreview car mirror for traffic jams and parking spots and shops
- Fresh coffee indicator.
- Collaboration via replicated/miniaturized tabs/pads, awareness, move content to board for active collaboration
- Switch effortlessly between machines, displays, and devices. Meeting review example.



Ubicomp Scenarios

- Privacy: "minority report" ads jumping at passer-by. One approach: model physical world (hard but not impossible to break in, but leaves traces).
- Human-Centered: making people more aware of other people at end of computer links. Reverse bad effect of today's email-based workplace (isolation). Enables nothing fundamentally new but takes away mental strain, making things (such as locating information) much easier (like desktop publishing did) which makes an enormous difference.
- Decline of the computer addict?
- Overcome information overload



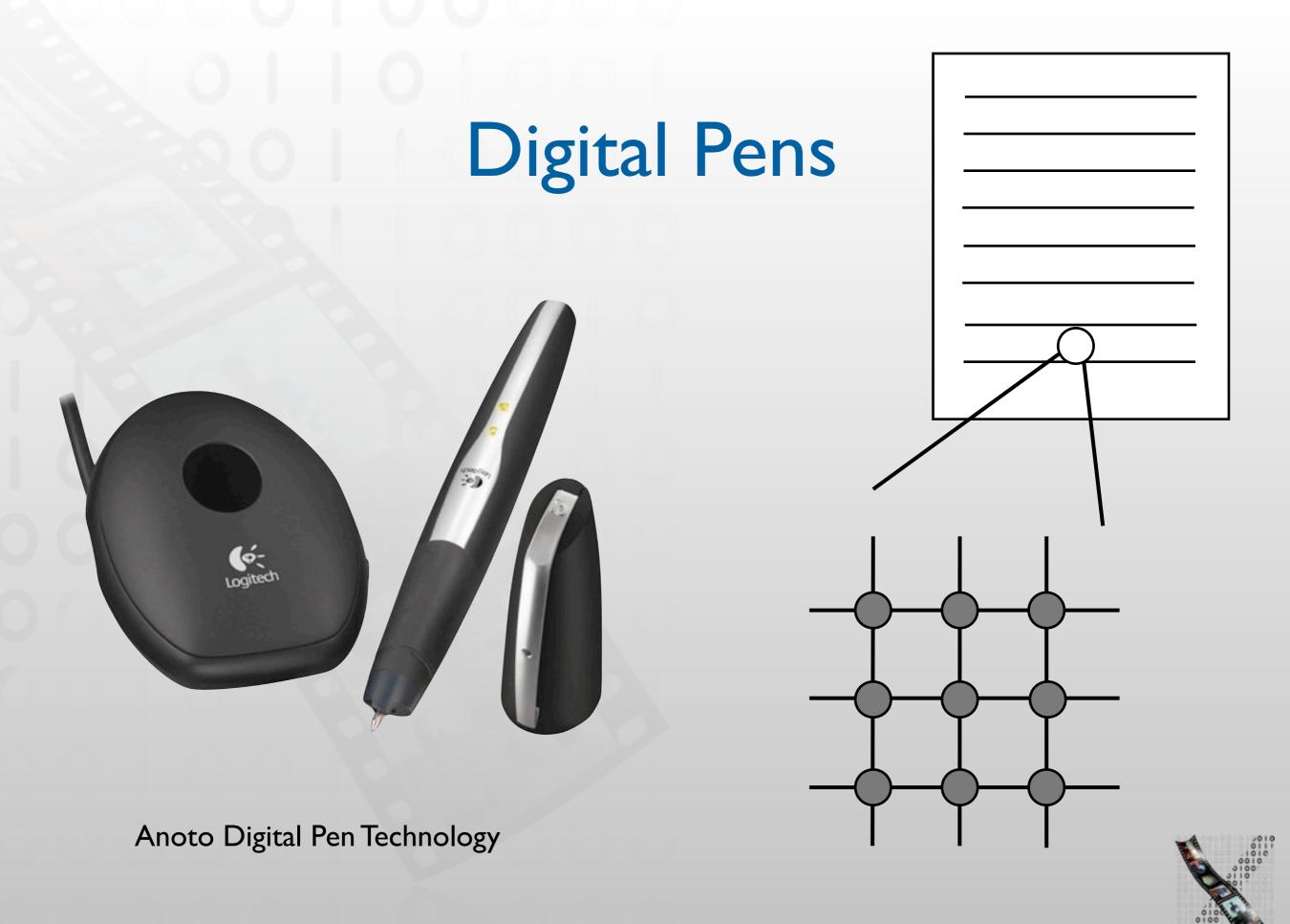
Ubicomp Today

- HUC'99 workshop
 → Ubicomp Conference
- Commercial Tabs, Pads and Boards



- One of the most intriguing current visions for the future of HCI and CS
- "As calm as a walk in the woods"

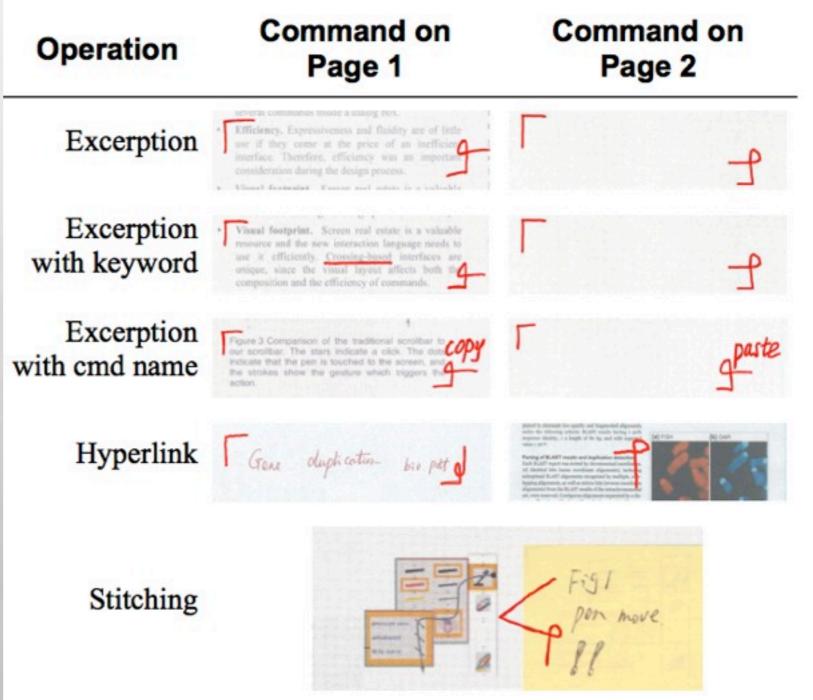




Papier Craft

(Liao et al., 2005)

- Work on paper (= the large desk) instead of small screens
- Ink gestures to execute commands
 - copy, paste, hyperlink start, hyperlink end





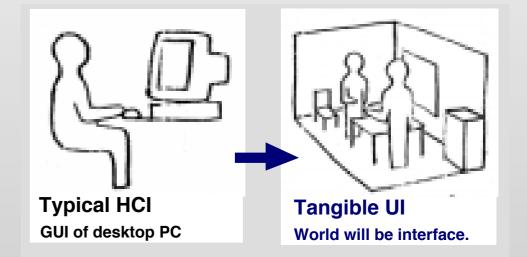
Pick-and-drop (Rekimoto, 1997)

Tangible User Interface

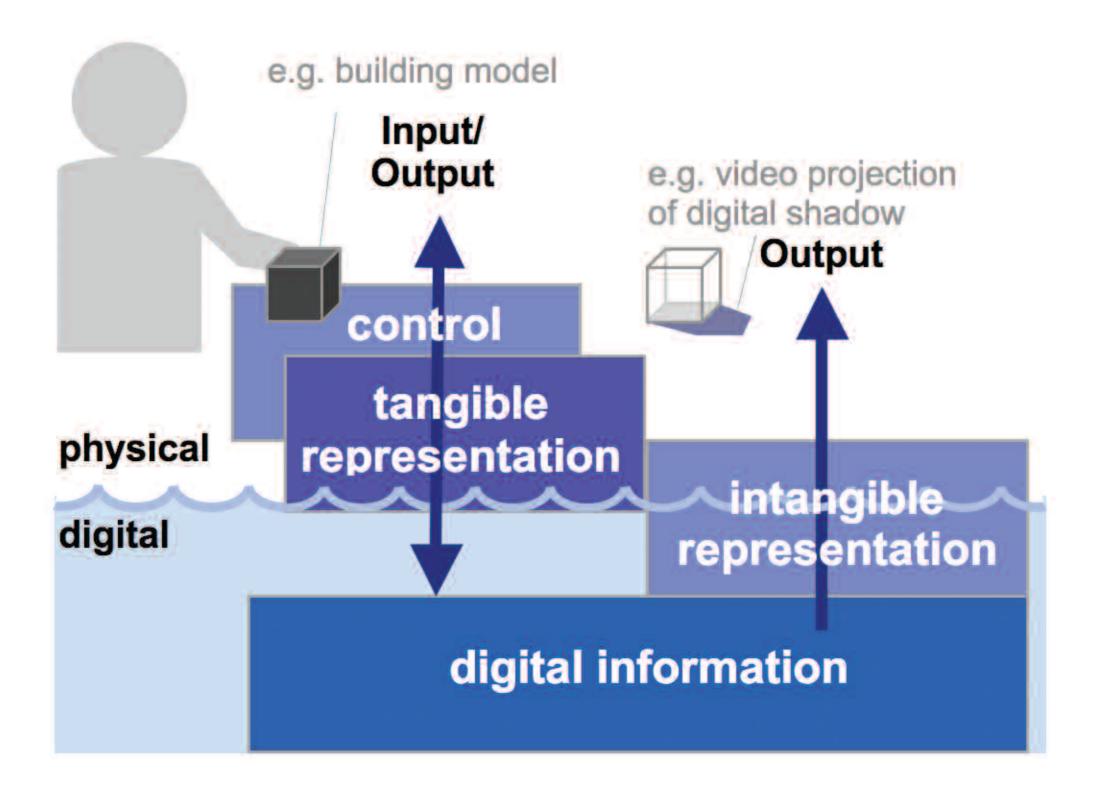


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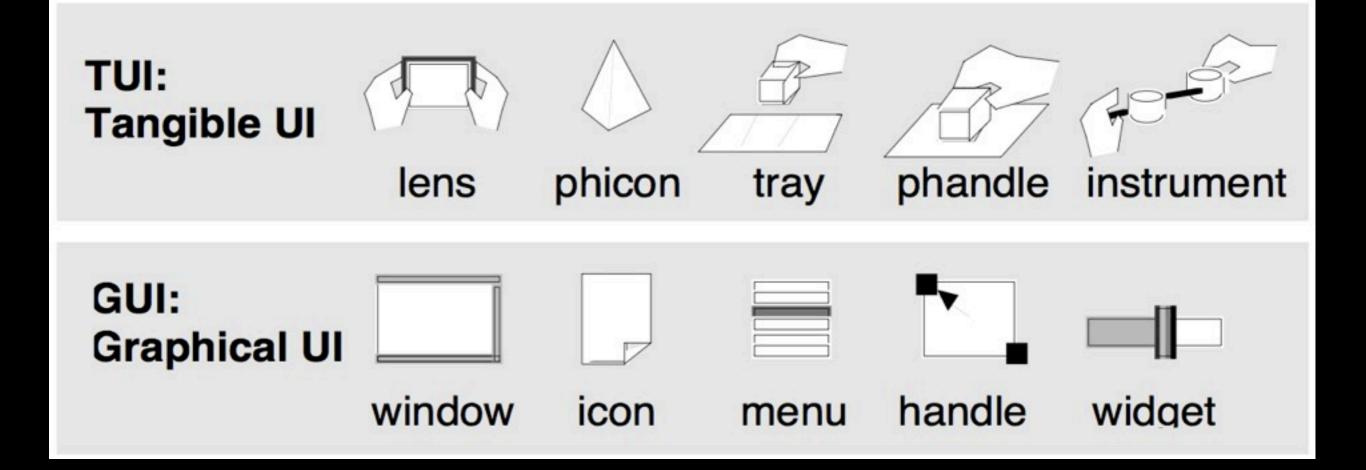
- Coupling digital information with physical objects
 - Give immediate haptic feedback
 - Complement with intangible output







Ishii & Ulmer, CHI '97



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Phicon and activeLENS Ishii & Ulmer, CHI '97

Light Space (Wilson & Benko, UIST '10)

Next Lecture: Statistics

- Bring your laptop and install programs for hands-on session
 - Install R and Deducer
 - More details on L²P

