### Reminder Ted's talk

- Ted Selker
  - "what is a human computer input sensor?"
- 2.15 pm, BU101 Öttingenstrasse 67

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# Taxonomy of Gesture styles

- sign language
- gesticulation

– communicative gestures made in conjunction with speech

 know how your users gesture naturally and design artificial gestures that have no cross-talk with natural gesturing



http://thomas.baudel.name/Morphologie/These/images/VI11.gif

Literature: Baudel et al. Charade: remote control of objects using free-hand gestures, Communications of the ACM 1993

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# Taxonomy of Gesture styles

- manipulative
  - gestures which tightly related movements to an object being manipulated
    - 2D Interaction: mouse or stylus
    - 3D Interaction: free-hand movement to mimic manipulations of physical objects
- deictic gestures (aimed pointing)
  - establish identity or spatial location of an object.
- semaphoric gestures (signals send to the computer)
  - stroke gestures, involve tracing of a specific path (marking menu)
  - static gestures (pose), involving no movement
  - dynamic gestures, require movement

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- pantomimic gestures:
  - demonstrate a specific task to be performed or imitated

- performed without object being present.

- iconic
  - communicate information about objects or entities (e.g. size, shapes and motion path)
    - static
    - dynamic

Literature: Aginer et al.: Understanding Mid-air Hand Gestures: A Study of Human Preferences in Usage of Gesture Types for HCI, Tech Report Microsoft Research Literature: Holz et al. Data Miming: Inferring Spatial Object Descriptions from Human Gesture, CHI 2011



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- easy to detect for touch sensitive surfaces
- what about freehand gestures?

three gesture phases

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### Gestural Input vs. Keyboard+Mouse

- loosing the hover state
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### Proton++

- declarative multitouch framework
- enables Multitouch gesture description as regular expression of touch event symbols
- generates gesture recognizers and static analysis of gesture conflicts

### • note:

– "\*" kleene star indicates that a symbol can appear zero or more consecutive times.

- "|" denotes the logical or of attribute values
- " wildcard, specifies that an attribute can take any value.

Literature: Kin,K. et al. "Proton++: A Customizable Declarative Multitouch Framework", UIST 2012

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### Proton++ - formal description language

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Matcher

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touch event

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Hardware

-touch action (down, move, up)

Stream

Generator

Attribute

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-touch ID (1st, 2nd, etc.)

raw input

- series of touch attribute values
  - direction = NW, hit-target = circle

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 – converts each touch event into a touch symbol of the form

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 $M_1^{s:W}$ 

where  $E \in \{D, M, U\}$ , attribute values  $A_1: A_2: A_3, A_1$  corresponds to first attribute etc.

move-with-first-touch-on-star-object-inwest-direction

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 $E_{T_{ID}}^{A_1:A_2:A_3...}$ 

 $D_1^{S:N}M_1^{S:N} * U_1^{S:N}$ 

consider attributes: hit-target shape, direction

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**Custom Attributes** context and task for example a pinch attribute: relative movements of multiple touches theory - touches are assigned a 'P' when on average the touches bimanual move towards the centroid, an 'S' when the touches move interaction away from the centroid and an 'N'when they stay stationary pointing (a)<sub>r</sub> Ν gestures interaction 1 Minute Micro Task: techniques Create the regular expression for this gesture in/output technologies

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# **Further Attributes**

- Direction Attribute
- Touch Area Attribute
  - Finger Orientation Attribute
  - Screen Location Attribute

### $gestures \rightarrow$ Let's practice that in the exercise

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### Discussion

 How would you come up with a gesture set for a drawing application on your tablet?

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# Elicitation studies

- type of participatory design
  - come up with a gesture set
  - understanding mental modal
- guessability study methodology (theater approach) that presents the effects of a gesture to the participant and elicits the causes meant to invoke them.
- Wobbock and colleagues combined it with think-aloud protocol and video analysis
  - detailed picture of user-defined gestures and mental model performance that accompany them

Wobbrock et al.: User-Defined Gestures for Surface Computing, CHI'09

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### Procedure

- randomly present X referents to participants
- For each referent, ask participant to perform a 1-handed and a 2-handed gesture (or other factors that you want to include...)
- show a Likert scale and ask them to rate
  - goodness
  - -ease
  - comfort
  - -etc.

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### Procedure

- you collect
  - user-defined gesture set
  - performance measures
  - subjective responses
    - -qualitative observations
    - gesture taxonomy!
      - what are the aspects/patterns that are shared by different gestures for a referent?

# Taxonomy of Surface Gestures

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	TAXONOMY OF S	SURFACE GESTURES
Form	static pose	Hand pose is held in one location.
	dynamic pose	Hand pose changes in one location.
	static pose and path	Hand pose is held as hand moves.
	dynamic pose and path	Hand pose changes as hand moves.
	one-point touch	Static pose with one finger.
	one-point path	Static pose & path with one finger.
Nature	symbolic	Gesture visually depicts a symbol.
	physical	Gesture acts physically on objects.
	metaphorical	Gesture indicates a metaphor.
	abstract	Gesture-referent mapping is arbitrary.
Binding	object-centric	Location defined w.r.t. object features.
	world-dependent	Location defined w.r.t. world features.
	world-independent	Location can ignore world features.
	mixed dependencies	World-independent plus another.
Flow	discrete	Response occurs <i>after</i> the user acts.
	continuous	Response occurs <i>while</i> the user acts.

**Table 2.** Taxonomy of surface gestures based on 1080 gestures.The abbreviation "w.r.t." means "with respect to."

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### Agreement

 $A = \frac{\sum_{r \in R} \sum_{P_i \subseteq P_r} \left\lfloor \frac{|I|}{|P_r|} \right\rfloor}{1 + 1}$ 

group gestures within each referent

- continagreement score A
  - reflects in a single number the degree of consensus among participants.

r is a referent in a set of all referents R P<sub>i</sub> is a subset of identical gestures from P<sub>r</sub>

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![](_page_22_Figure_6.jpeg)

Flow

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dependent

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world-

hdependent

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-e.g. gesture agreement of "move a little" (2 hands) across 20 participants showed four groups of identical gestures: 12, 3, 3, 2

$$A_{move\ a\ little} = \left(\frac{12}{20}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{20}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{20}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{20}\right)^2 = 0.42$$

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# user-defined gesture set

- take the largest groups of identical gestures for each referent.
- if same gesture was proposed for two commands, a conflict occurred
  - resolve this, the referent with largest group won the gesture.
  - they came up with a conflict-free set that covers 57% of all proposed gestures.

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# gesture communication

- Feedforward mechanisms provide information about a gesture's shape and its association with a command prior to execution (similar to selfrevealing gestures)
  - physical help card

– pop-up cheat sheet

take screen space

- Feedback mechanisms provide low-level information about recognition process, either during or after execution
  - repetition and choice
  - shape beautification
    - modify users hand drawn input to illustrate perfect instance of a given gesture class.

Bau et al.: OctoPocus: A Dynamic Guide for Learning Gesture-Based Command Sets, UIST'08

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