# Does ubiquity have limits?

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## Introduction

• Ubiquitous computing, Pervasive computing, Ambient intelligence, Internet of Things, ...

# Introduction

- Current Limits (read Future Opportunities)
  - Power
  - Bandwidth
  - Connectivity
  - Screen real-estate
  - Context awareness
  - Standards
  - Storage
  - Applications
  - Consumer Acceptance

## Power







Figure 4: Display backlight power for varying brightness levels.



Figure 3: Average power consumption while in the idle state with backlight off. Aggregate power is 268.8 mW.

Aaron Carroll and Gernot Heiser. 2010. An analysis of power consumption in a smartphone. In *Proceedings of the 2010 USENIX conference on USENIX annual technical conference* (USENIXATC'10). USENIX Association, Berkeley, CA, USA, 21-21.

# Bandwidth & Connectivity

- Devices need data how do we maximize the available bandwidth?
  - Reuse: caching
  - Compression
  - Better protocols (e.g., WSP, SPDY, Google protocol buffers, WBXML)
- Connectivity need to handle connection unavailability

## Screen Size

- Depends on the device Large enough for the purpose
- Rollable or foldable screens (e.g., Polymer Vision)
  - Large screen = more power consumption

## Context awareness

- Environment perception
  - Simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM)
- Geo-location capability
  - Errors, Power consumption, TTFF (time to first fix)
  - Assisted GPS

## Standards

- Do we have standards?
- Do we have too many standards?
- Do standards constrain creativity?

## Storage

- On-device storage is limited
  - Efficient storage formats (e.g., binary rather than XML)
  - Compressed data but compression requires CPU
    - more power consumption

# Applications

- What applications are best suited for devices
   Do we want to run Eclipse on a small device?
- Application development environments
  - Different environment for different devices
- Do we need a standard?
  - Is HTML5 an answer?
  - App generators?

## **Consumer Acceptance**

- Best technology is usually not the technology that sells
- A technology that does not sell dies
- Need for smart marketing ... so that we can continue to invest in enhancing the technology





## Pushing the Data Ubiquity Limit of Internet of Things with Linked Data

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## **Ubiquitously Live Connections of Things**



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# Challenges

- Expressiveness v.s constraint resource
- Standardizations (format, query, encoding, compressing, etc)
- Cross-layers optimization
- Content-based routing
- Large/Web scale event/stream processing in graph-based data model
- Privacy issues
- Bring IoT information flows into Cloud







## **Involved Research Areas**





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#### • Policies • Linked Open Data • **RESTful services** Semantic Web • Web services • Services • People Databases Linking the Objects Distributed Systems Publish/Subscribe **Real World** Information Middleware Communication Pervasive Computing • Peer-to-peer Networking • Internet of Things

Ontologies

- LOD stream processing
- Distributed databases
- Distributed sensor networks
- Mobile Networking
- Content Distribution Networks
- Information-centric networking
- Opportunistic routing
- CoAP
- 6I oWPAN
- Wireless Sensor Networks

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### Ubiquity

Ubiquitous Computing is based on the principle of **making** computers themselves to vanish into the background.

#### Immersion into the background

- the physical integration of computing technology into the world by embedding it into tools, things, tasks, and environments.
- the computerized tool or thing does not *interfere* with the activities in which it is used.
- ⇒ Ultraconnectivity in Ubiquitous Computing breaks space and time constraints: uniformity of places (e.g., portable environments) and times (e.g., digital storage of the past).

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### Ubiquity

The immersion into the background turns out to be a *furtive* way of introducing the technology into widespread use.

#### Question

If not driven by the purpose of satisfying significant human needs, how does Ubiquitous Computing justify itself?

⇒ Ubiquitous Computing must take into account who..... but also why, where, what and when.

### Ubiquity X.0

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#### • Different technological approaches

- Integration of different technological approaches can fulfill the user requirements and provide a context-aware world of ubiquitous computing
- Providing a new generation of personalized (i.e., customized to the specific individual needs) ubiquitous/pervasive (i.e., available at any place and at any time) self-adaptive (i.e., able to adapt, at run-time, to changes of user needs and environment) Services

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Beyond Ubiquity

Ubiquity X.0 for monitoring facts and events that:

- exist only in person's mind and cannot be sensed by other pervasive sensing means
- properly analysed, could avoid and prevent dangerous situations
- express knowledge and information about future situations
- could be indicators of potential problems, can be detected by social sensors and pervasive sensors, but require history analysis and some inference to be properly recognized

#### Self-adaptive system

A system that, **at run-time**, can adopt a different behavior w.r.t. the initial one, as a consequence of changes in the user needs and the operating environment



**Example.** A self-adaptive service designed and developed by *ACTIVAge* is able to:

- identify (dangerous) interactions between people and objects
- analyze (dangerous) configurations in the environment
- predict (dangerous) situations
- · control the environment, adapting itself to the user needs

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### ACTIVAge : an Ubiquity X.0 implementation



ACTIVAge self-adaptive planning



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#### **Beyond Ubiquity**

#### Many thanks



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## We can and will go towards a more technology penetrated world where computing will be more ubiquitous!



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#### Practical Implementations



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#### Research



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## Does Ubiquity have Limits? Theorical Vs Practical possibilities: Composite applications

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# Web 3.0 goals:

- •User fully automated on the Internet.
- •Automatic and transparent to users the WS selection and composition to form more complex services.
- •Intelligent programs.

#### Published Data are enhanced with semantics!

•Standards to annotate and describe data: XML, RDF, RDFS, OWL.

•Standards to query data: SPARQL.

•Ontologies representing almost any domain.

•Standards to describe services: OWL-S

#### Maximal Interconnectivity (Omnipresence).

•Explosion in the number of:

- -Linking Open Data resources and databases
- -Different quality parameters.
- -Controlled vocabularies: MeSH, GO, PO...
- -Highly interconnected data sources:

Different Sizes, many links, different in- and out-degrees, etc

•Biological Web: large datasets of linking data.

•Genes, Diseases, Clinical Drugs, Proteins, and so on.

•Explosion in the number of web services applications and open APIs

- A lot of Standards (SOAP, RFID)
- A lot of ontologies even for the same domain.
- Multiplicity of relationships or interactions among different actors are a complex system capable of integrating new autonomous actors

#### What Next:

- Standard of standards
- Integration of ontologies
- Automatic data transformation
- •Interpretation of an event in a contextual way.
- Development and use of "massively" parallel information systems



#### **Does Ubiquity Have Limits?**

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**Does Ubiquity Have Limits?** 



YES!

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#### **Main Limiting Factors of Ubiquity**





Eric Schmidt: Every 2 days we create as much information as we did up to 2003 (TechCrunch, August 2010)



IN THE 21ST CENTURY, we live a large part of our lives online. Almost everything we do is reduced to bits and sent through cables around the world at light speed. But just how much data are we generating? This is a look at just some of the massive amounts of information that human beings create every single day.

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### There is Only One Way Out

- Data gathering / storage
  - Discern important from trivial information
  - Automatically inferring the context of data
- Making sense out of data
  - Data -> Information -> Knowledge
    - Data mining
  - In-network data processing
  - Localized / Scoped algorithms
  - Ubiquitous Knowledge Discovery
- Processing of data by people / for people
  - Context-aware data processing
  - Activity recognition







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#### **Evolution of Technologies**









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