

E2 Keystroke-Level Modelling

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Motivation

- Need early design decisions
- Building working prototypes is expensive
- Need clear metrics for judgements

Success Parameters

- Easy to learn
- Easy to remember
- Quick to complete
- Safe to use
- Keeps your privacy
- etc.
- ... a whole bunch of 'em

User Models

- Predict user behaviour
- Predict system performance
- GOMS ^[1]
(Goals Operators Methods Selection)
- KLM ^[2]
(Keystroke-Level Model)

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GOMS (Goals, Operators, Methods, Selection Rules)

- GOMS techniques produce quantitative and qualitative predictions of how people will use a proposed system
- Different models proposed [3]
- Basics:
 - **Goals**: goal a user wants to accomplish (in real scenarios hierarchical)
 - **Operators**: operation (at a basic level) that are used to achieve a goal
 - **Methods**: sequence of operators to achieve a goal
 - **Selection Rules**: selection of method for solving a goal (if alternatives are given)

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Example (Close the window that has the focus, Windows XP)

ALT-F4

Key-shortcut

System-menu



Close-button



GOAL: CLOSE-WINDOW

[select GOAL: USE-KEY-SHORTCUT

Hold-ALT-key

Press-F4-key

GOAL: USE-SYSTEM-MENU

Move-mouse-win-head

Open-menu (right click)

Left-click-close

GOAL: USE-CLOSE-BUTTON

Move-mouse-button

Left-click-button]

Rule 1: USE-CLOSE-BUTTON method if no other rule is given

Rule 2: USE-KEY-SHORTCUT method if no mouse is present

Example (ATM, Why you need to get your card before the money)

- Design to lose your card...
- Design to keep your card...

GOAL: GET-MONEY

GOAL: USE-CASH-MACHINE

INSERT-CARD

ENTER-PIN

SELECT-GET-CASH

ENTER-AMOUNT

COLLECT-MONEY

(outer goal satisfied!)

COLLECT-CARD

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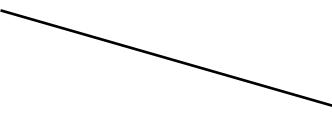
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Keystroke-Level Model (KLM)

- simplified Analysis
- only operators on keystroke-level
- no goals, no methods, no selection rules
- list of basic operators to do a task
 - keystrokes or button presses (K),
 - pointing with the mouse to a target (P),
 - hand movement between mouse an keyboard (H)
 - mental operators (M) – placed by heuristics
 - Drawing (D)
 - System response (R)

Models: Levels of Detail (Word Correction Example)

- Abstract: correct-word
- Concrete: mark-word
delete-word
type-word
- Keystroke-Level: hold-shift
n·cursor-right
del-key
recall-word
n·letter-key



Assuming that old and new word both have n letters

Important

- KLM assumes expert user behaviour

Therefore you need either

- Users with long experience
- or
- Training sessions for unexperienced users

Be sure to

- discard and repeat tasks where several errors occurred

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Keystroke-Level Model

- Keystroke-Level: hold-shift
 - n·cursor-right
 - del-key
 - recall-word
 - n·letter-key
- Sequence:

key n·key key recall-word n·key
K n·K K M n·K

Keystroke-Level Model

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- Operator Time Values

K = 0.28 sec. and M = 1.35 sec.

- Execution Time

OP: set of operators

n_{op} : number of occurrences of operator op

$$T_{execute} = \sum_{op \in OP} n_{op} \cdot op$$

Keystroke-Level Model

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- $K, n \cdot K, K, M, n \cdot K \rightarrow 2n \cdot 0.28 + 1.91$ sec.
replace a $n=7$ letter word: **T = 5.83 sec.**

- Replace using *doubleclick*:
P, 2·B, M, H, n·K $n=7$: **T = 3.86 sec.**

Example (Currency Converter)

this amount <input type="text" value="1"/> enter any amount	of this type of currency <ul style="list-style-type: none">Euro - EURUnited States Dollars - USDUnited Kingdom Pounds - GBPCanada Dollars - CADAustralia Dollars - AUD <p>scroll down for more currencies</p>	into this type of currency. <ul style="list-style-type: none">United States Dollars - USDEuro - EURUnited Kingdom Pounds - GBPCanada Dollars - CADAustralia Dollars - AUD <p>scroll down for more currencies</p>
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Perform Currency Conversion

<http://www.xe.com/ucc/>

- Convert 712 GBP into EUR
- In the beginning, the hand is on the mouse

KLM Operator Time Values

Operator	Remarks	Time(sec)
K	Press Key	
	good typist(90wpm)	0.12
	poor typist(40wpm)	0.28
	non-typist	1.20
B	Mouse button press	
	down or up	0.10
	click	0.20
P	Point with mouse	
	Fitts's law	$0.1\lg(D/S + 0.5)$
	Average movement	1.10
H	Home hands to and from keyboard	0.40
D	Drawing- domain-dependent	<u> </u>
M	Mentally prepare	1.35
R	Response from system - measure	<u> </u>

Example (Currency Converter)

- **P**[to input field] • 4^*P = 4,40s
- **B**[click] • 4^*B = 0,80s
- **H**[to keyboard] • 2^*H = 0,80s
- **M**[consider number] • 3^*M = 4,05s
- **4K**[BSP-7-1-2] • 4^*K = 1,12s
- **H**[to mouse] • 1^*R = 1,00s
- **M**[consider currency]
- **P**[to GBP]
- **B**[click] • **Sum** = **12,17s**
- **M**[consider currency]
- **P**[to EUR]
- **B**[click]
- **P**[to convert]
- **B**[click]
- **R**[show page with result]

KLM for Desktop Setting [2]

- Keystrokes: **K = 0.28**
- Mouse Button Press or Release: **B = 0.10**
- Mouse pointing: **P = 1.10**
- Homing (keyboard↔mouse): **H = 0.40**
- Drawing lines: **D(n_D, l_D) = 0.9n_D+0.16l_D**
- Mental preparation: **M = 1.35**
- System response time: **R** (dependent on application; input to model)

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Mobile Device Interaction

- Different size; mobile
- Different keyboard keys screen
- Different text input methods
- Built-in microphone speaker
- Different storage places
- Attention shifts to real world
- Distractions during tasks more probable

Advanced Mobile Phone Interaction

- Take pictures
- Recognise visual markers
- Touch (RFID) tags
- Gestures
- ...



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KLM for (Advanced) Mobile Phone Interaction

- **Adopted Operators**
 - Keystroke
 - Mental Act
 - Response Time
 - Pointing (slightly changed meaning)
 - Homing (slightly changed meaning)
- **Added Operators**
 - Initial Act
 - Action (camera focus, tag alignment ...)
 - Finger Movement
 - Gesture
 - Attention Shifts
 - Distraction
- **Removed Operators**
 - Drawing (not applicable)

Operators

- Pointing
move the phone to a target area



- Action
execute an specific action necessary for a special type of interaction

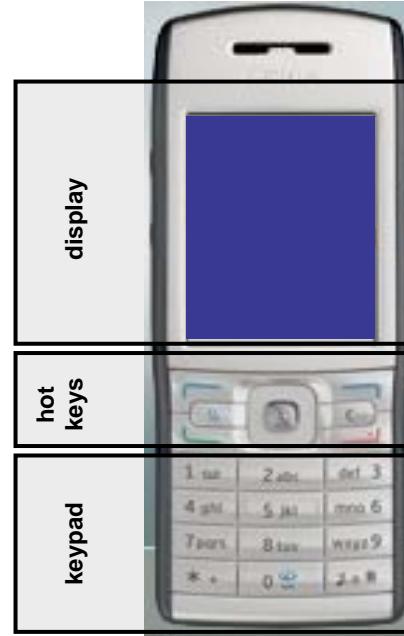
Operators

- Macro Attention Shift
look from phone to real world or back



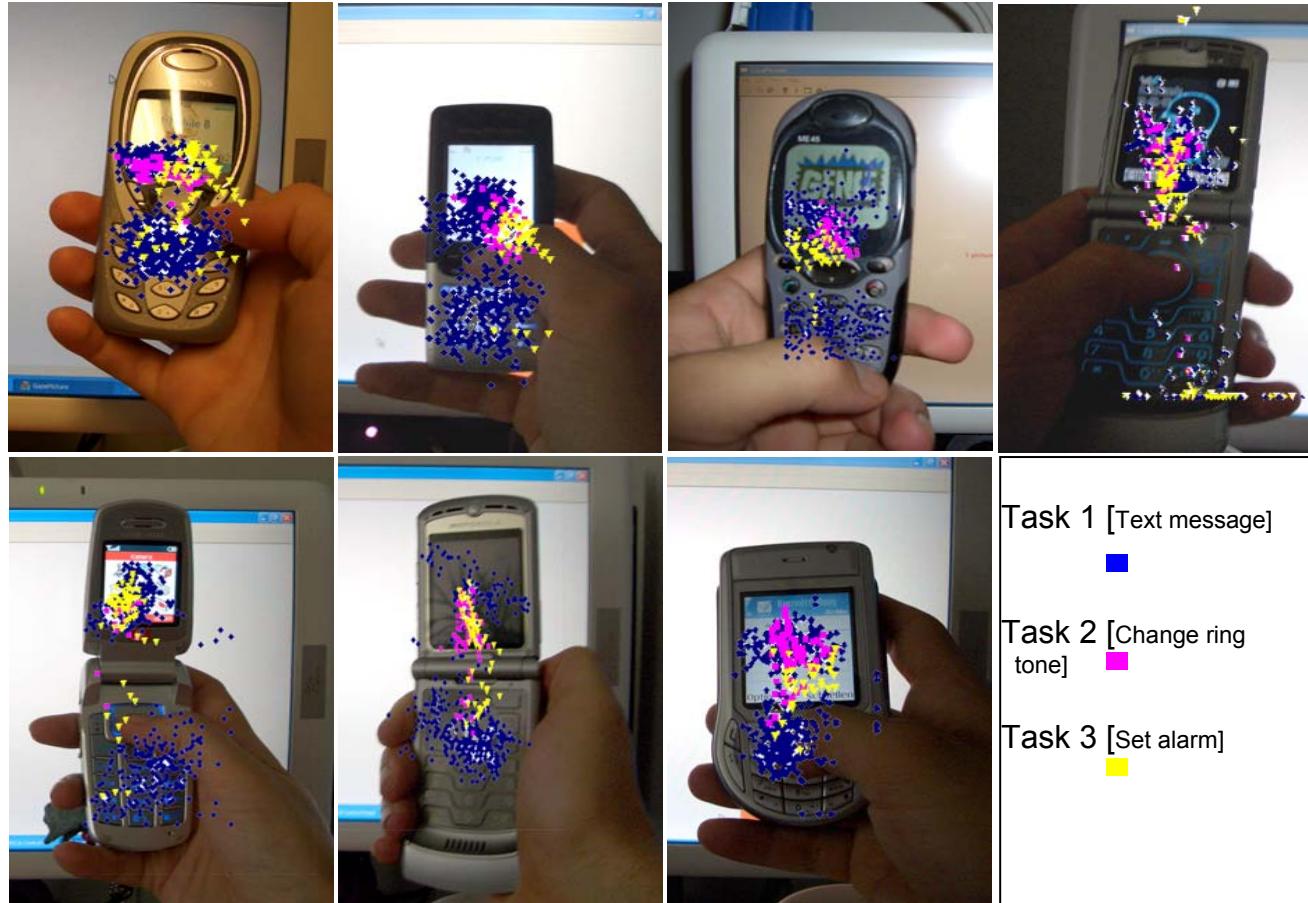
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- Micro Attention Shift
change concentration between different parts of the mobile phone



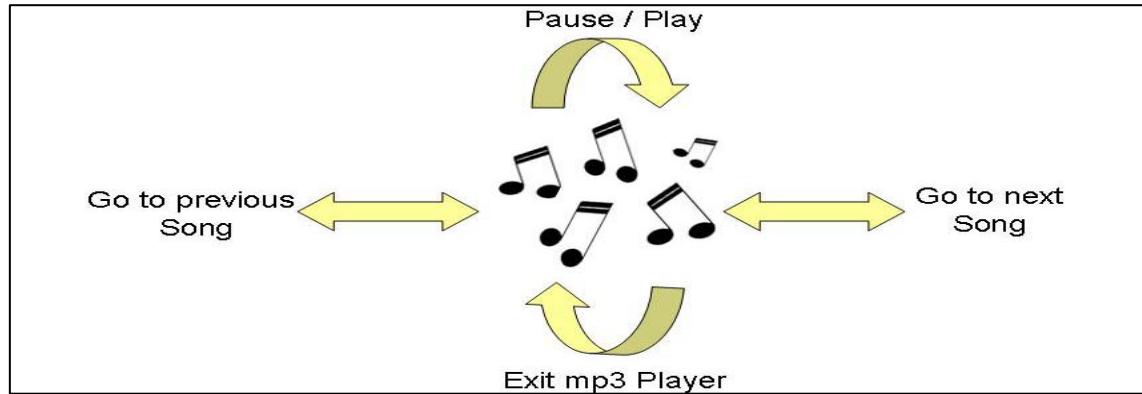
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- Micro Attention Shift



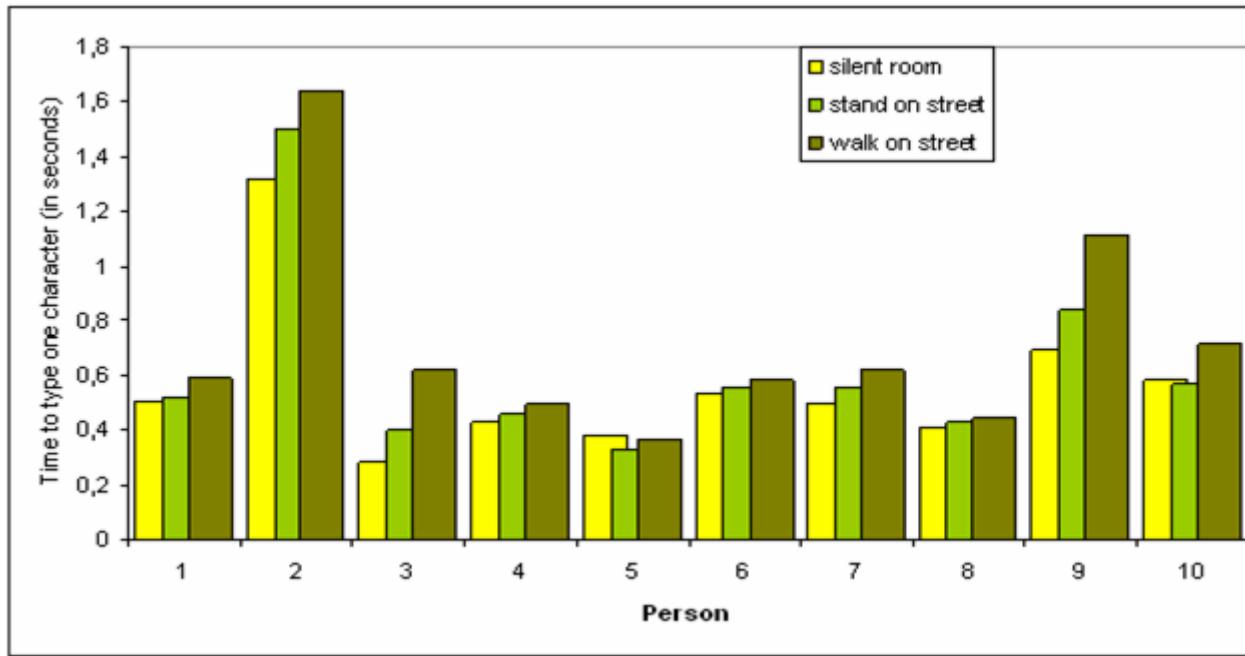
Operators

- Gesture
simple quick movements with the phone



Operators

- Distraction
influence of real world distractions on execution time



modelled as a multiplicative factor

Model

- Formula for execution time

$$T_{execute} = \sum_{op \in OP} (n_{op} + d_{op} \cdot X_{slight} + D_{op} \cdot X_{strong}) \cdot op$$

OP = {A F G H I K M R S_{micro} S_{macro}}

n_{op}: #op with no distraction

d_{op}: #op with slight distraction

D_{op}: #op with strong distraction

If there is no Distraction operator,
this is the same as the formula from
the standard KLM:

$$T_{execute} = \sum_{op \in OP} n_{op} \cdot op$$

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Example Model

- Scenario: use public transportation ticket service; poster interaction with NFC tags

Description	Operators	Time
Pick up the mobile phone from your pocket	I	1.18 sec.
Select main menu	M, K [Hotkey]	1.35 sec., 0.16 sec.
Go to folder 'Programs'	M, K [Hotkey]	1.35 sec., 0.16 sec.
Choose folder 'Programs'	K [Hotkey]	0.16 sec.
Go to folder 'Collection'	M, K [Hotkey]	1.35 sec., 0.16 sec.
Choose to folder 'Collection'	K [Hotkey]	0.16 sec.
Choose folder 'choose program'	K [Hotkey]	0.16 sec.
Choose application 'PERCI'	K [Hotkey]	0.16 sec.
Wait for program to open	R [adv]	4.63 sec.
Read instruction	M	1.35 sec.
Scroll down	K [Hotkey]	0.16 sec.
Read instruction	M	1.35 sec.

Example Model

I M K M K K M K K K K R[adv] M K M M K K M 2K K M K M K M K M K M
K R[adv] M K K M K K M K K M K K M K M K R[adv] M K M M K M K
R[adv] M K MM K M K M 4K[Keypad] A[micro] 4K A[micro] 4K A[micro] 4K
A[micro] M K M K M 3K K M K M K R[adv] M K M K M M K K R[adv]

Design Comparisons

- Direct input technique:

$$T_{model} = 123 \text{ seconds}$$

$$T_{study} = 117 \text{ seconds}$$

- NFC interaction technique:

$$T_{model} = 176 \text{ seconds}$$

$$T_{study} = 170 \text{ seconds}$$

Operators for Advanced Mobile Phone KLM

	Operator	Time
A, Action	marker	1.23
	NFC	0.00
	in general	<i>variable</i>
<i>D, Drawing</i>		<i>not applicable</i>
F, Finger Movement		0.23
G, Gestures		0.80
<i>H, Homing</i>		0.95
I, Initial Act	externally	5.32
	internally	3.89
	optimal setting	1.18
	no assumptions	4.61
K, Keystroke	keypad average	0.39
	keypad quick	0.33
	hot Key	0.16
<i>M, Mental Act</i>		1.35
P, Pointing		1.00
R, Response Time	NFC	2.58
	Visual Marker	2.22
	general	<i>variable</i>
S_{Macro}, Macro Attention Shift		0.36
S_{Micro}, Micro Attention Shift	keypad↔display	0.14
	hotkey↔display	0.12
	keypad↔hotkey	0.04
	in general	0.14
X, Distraction	slight	6 %
	strong	21 %

Questions on the Exercise?

- Members of your own group can be used to validate the model
- Till Tuesday, Nov. 14, only models Siemens S65, Nokia 6630 are available; from Tuesday on, you can also have Nokia 6600
- There will be no exercises on Friday, 10 and Monday, 13; These slots can also be used for groups to meet and write down the models
- If there arise questions feel free to email (mmi1@hcilab.org) or to come to my office in room 206, 2nd floor, Amalienstr. 17