

Why are mobile OSes interesting?

Now an essential device part of people's daily life
(sometimes the only computing device)

- ➔ Mobile OSes and traditional OSes share the same core abstractions ... but also have many unique designs

Design considerations for mobile OS

Resources are very constrained

- Limited memory
- Limited storage
- Limited battery life
- Limited processing power
- Limited network bandwidth
- Limited size

- ➔ User perception are important: Latency \gg throughput
Users will be frustrated if an app takes several seconds to launch
- ➔ Environment are frequently changing
Cellular signals from strong to weak and then back to strong