

# MOBILE PLATFORM

# OVERVIEW

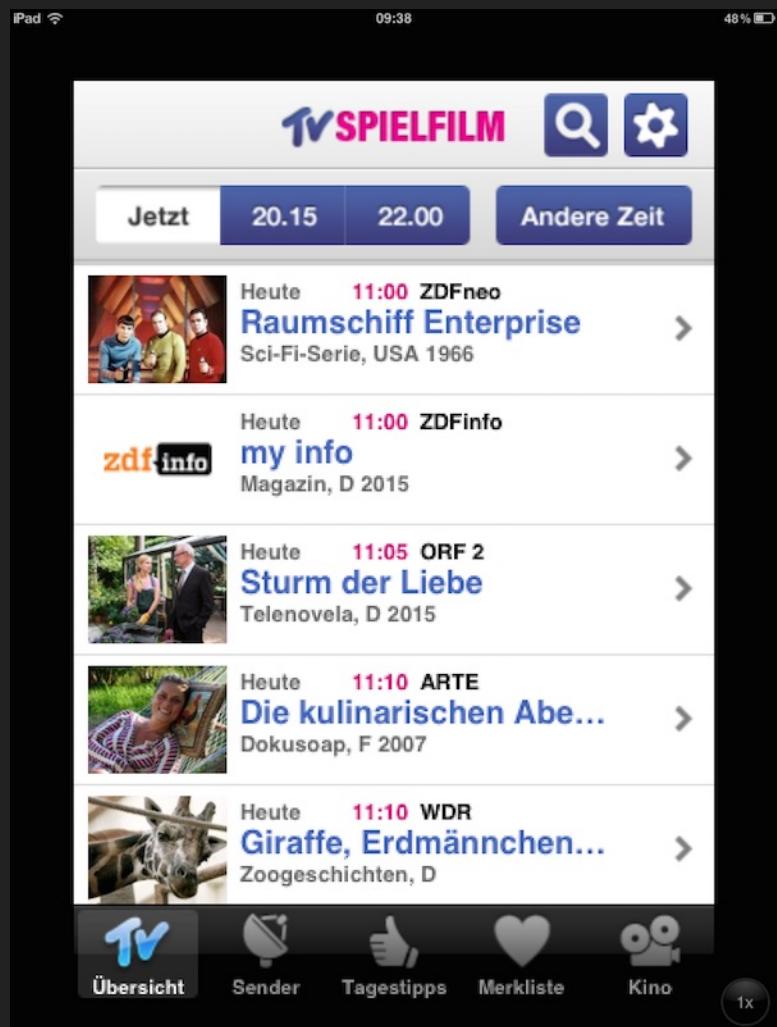
- Features of mobile devices
  - Device sensors
  - Touch control
- Platforms and ecosystems
  - Android
  - iOS
  - Windows Phone
  - Others...
- Ecosystems compared

# FEATURES OF MOBILE DEVICES

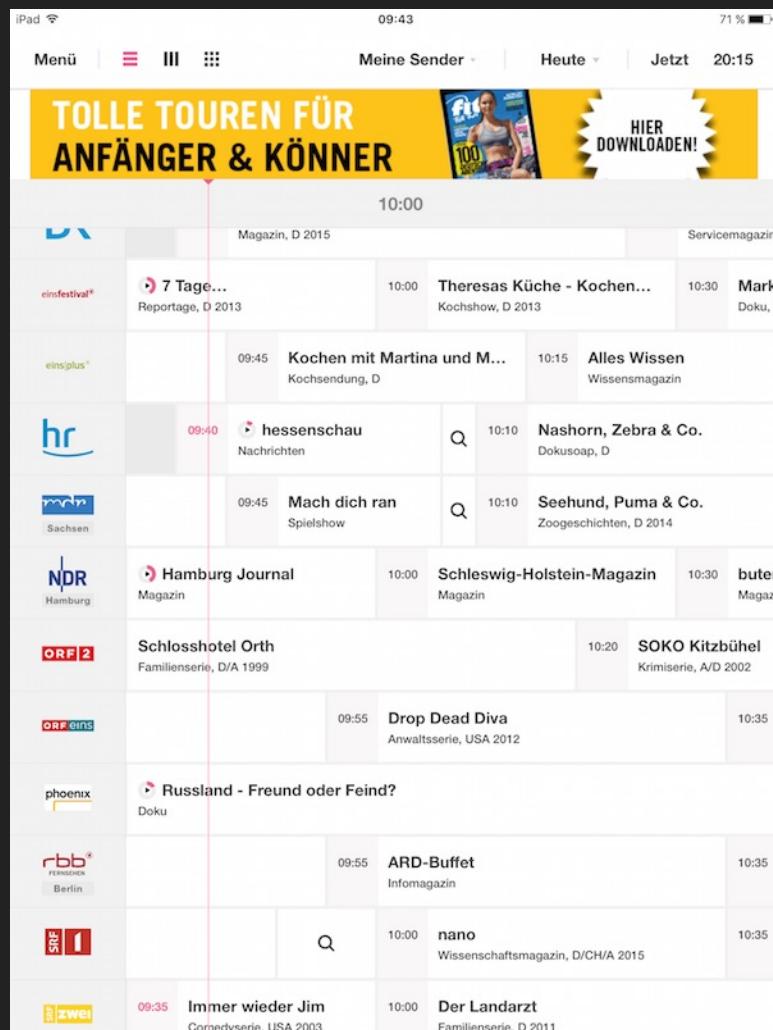
- Smaller screens (here smartphones and tablets differ)
- Different input concepts (touch, keyboard, stylus)
- Slow, unstable network connection
- Less powerful processors
- Batteries – minimize power consumption

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# IPHONE APP ON TABLET SCREEN



# TABLET APP



# APPLE PENCIL



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# DEVICE SENSORS

- Camera
- Microphone
- Geolocation, GPS
- Accelerometer
- Gyroscope
- Magnetometer
- Battery state
- Proximity sensor

# GEOLOCATION API

	ACCURACY	POSITIONING TIME	BATTERY LIFE
GPS	10m	2-10 minutes (only indoors)	5-6 hours on most phones
WiFi	50m (improves with density)	Almost instant (server connect and lookup)	No additional effect
Cell tower triangulation	100-1400m (based on density)	Almost instant (server connect and lookup)	Negligible
Single cell tower	500-2500m (based on density)	Almost instant (server connect and lookup)	Negligible
IP	Country: 99% City: 46% US, 53% International Zip: 0%	Almost instant (server connect and lookup)	Negligible

TABLE 3.1: An overview of the different ways a modern mobile device can detect your location. Smartphones make hybrid use of GPS, WiFi, and cell tower triangulation; laptops and desktops use WiFi, IP, and only rarely GPS.

(Source: *Mobile First*, Luke Wroblewski)

# GEOLOCATION-API: APPLICATION POSSIBILITIES

- Local weather, traffic or other information
- Indication of certain facilities in the proximity
- Interaction with people nearby
- Suitable defaults in search results
- Suitable settings depending on location

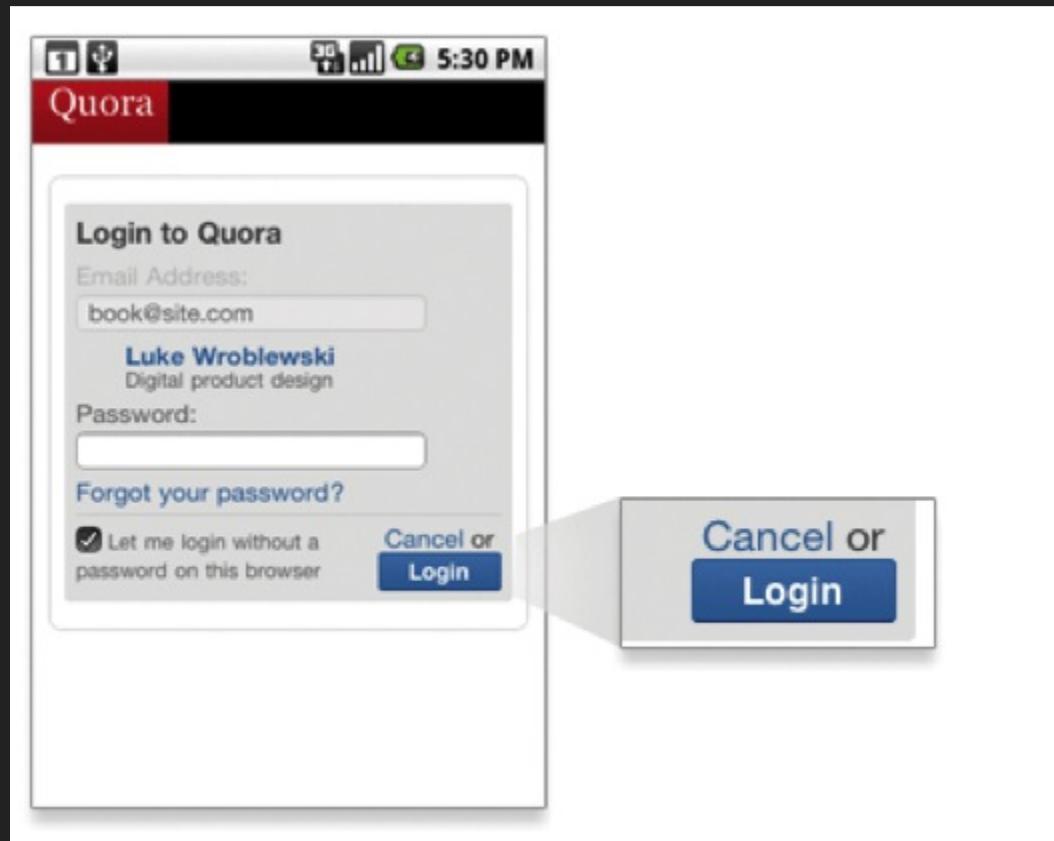
# TOUCH CONTROL

- Bigger control elements required
- "44 x 44 points is the comfortable minimum size of a tappable UI element" (iOS Human Interface Guidelines)

Point: "On a standard-resolution device screen, one point equals one pixel, but other resolutions might dictate a different relationship. On a Retina display, for example, one point equals two pixels." (iOS Human Interface Guidelines)

This is different to the CSS unit pt (also: Point).

# TOUCH CONTROL: DISTANCE



# TOUCH CONTROL: REACH

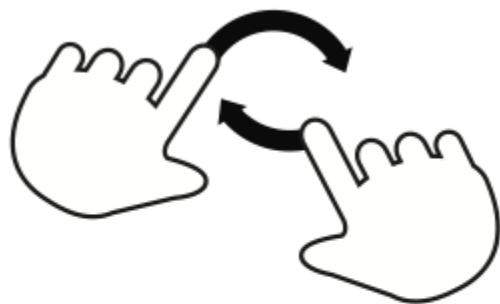


# TOUCH CONTROL: GESTURES

Gesture	Action
Tap	To press or select a control or item (analogous to a single mouse click).
Drag	To scroll or pan (that is, move side to side). To drag an element.
Flick	To scroll or pan quickly.
Swipe	With one finger, to reveal the Delete button in a table-view row, the hidden view in a split view (iPad only), or the Notification Center (from the top edge of the screen). With four fingers, to switch between apps on iPad.
Double tap	To zoom in and center a block of content or an image. To zoom out (if already zoomed in).
Pinch	Pinch open to zoom in. Pinch close to zoom out.
Touch and hold	In editable or selectable text, to display a magnified view for cursor positioning.
Shake	To initiate an undo or redo action.

# TOUCH CONTROL: GESTURES

**Rotate**



OR



OR



Touch surface with two fingers  
and move them in a clockwise  
or counterclockwise direction

Touch Gesture Reference Guide

# FORCE TOUCH

- Senses the level of force exerted on a touch display
- Apple MacBook notebooks, followed by Apple Watch (2015)
- iPhone 6s
  - Force Touch called "3D Touch"
  - Accounts for changes in gravity as you hold your phone
  - Combined with Taptic Engine for feedback
  - Available autumn 2015
- Huawei Mate S with Force-Touch-Display
  - Announced, probably available late 2015

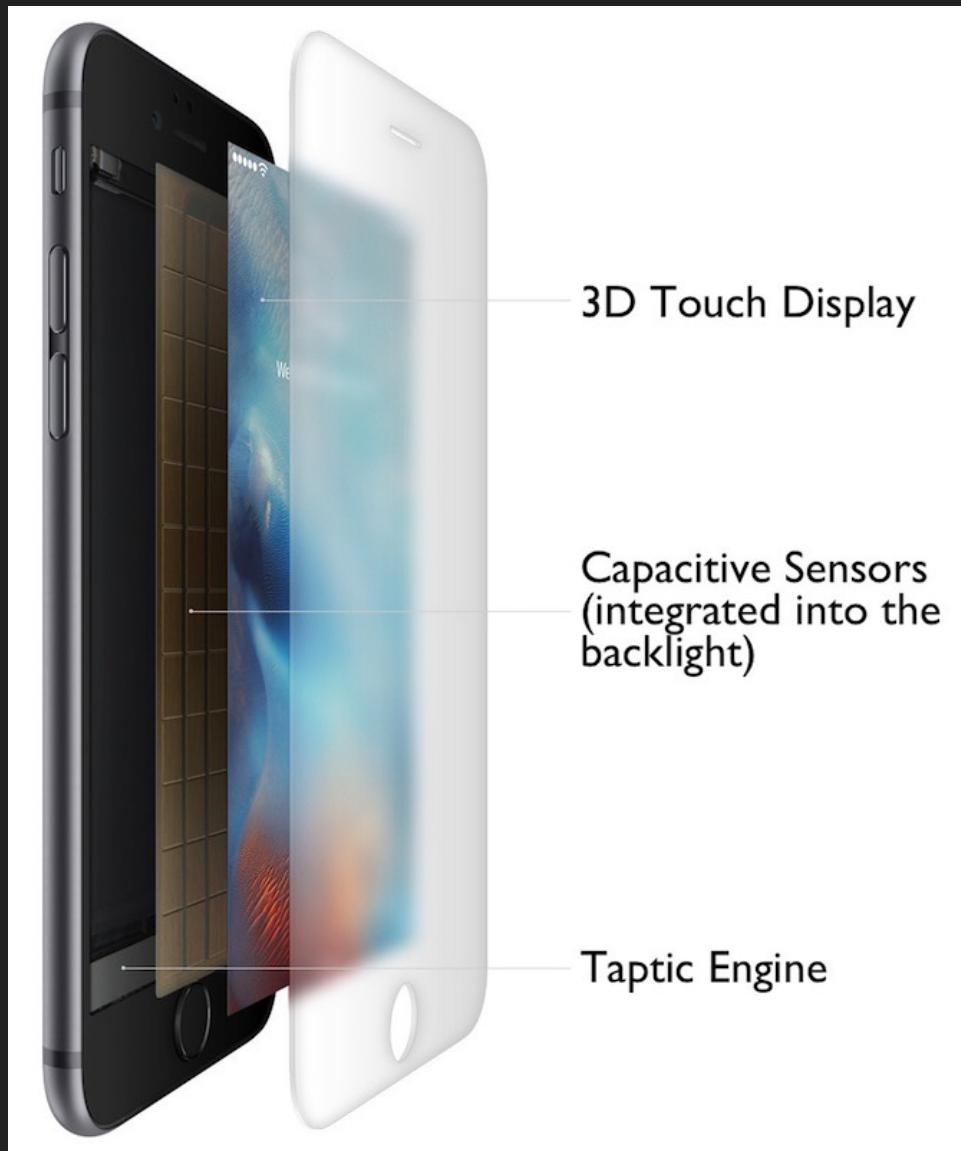
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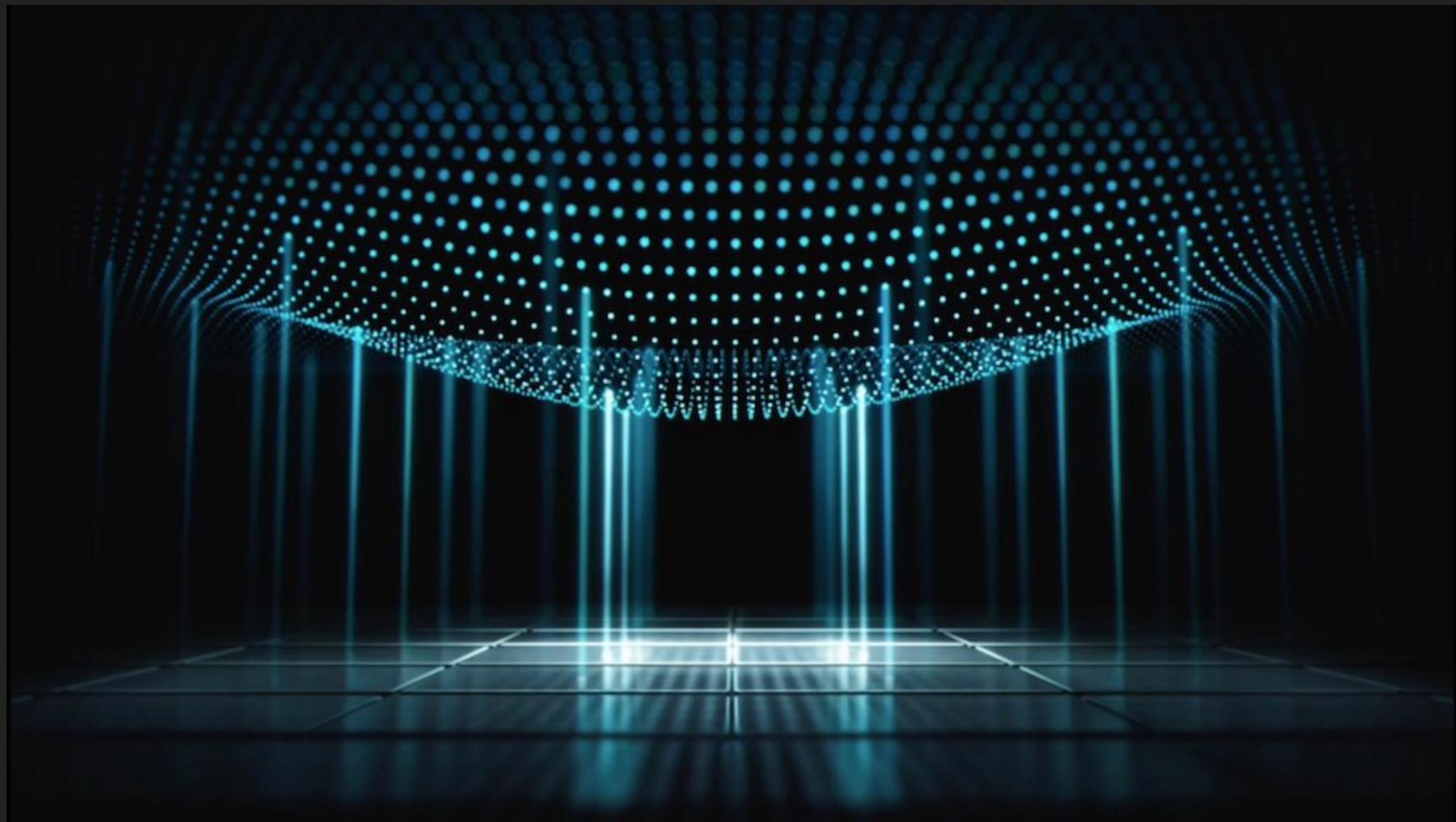


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# IPHONE 6S 3D TOUCH



# IPHONE 6S 3D TOUCH



# IPHONE 6S TAPTIC ENGINE



# IPHONE 6S TAPTIC ENGINE



# PLATFORMS AND ECOSYSTEMS

# ANDROID AND IOS

- Dominate the smartphone market
- Easily 90% in key markets
- Also at the top in terms of developer mindshare
- But: Mobile space changes continuously

Platform	Market Share			
	Q3 2014	Q3 2013	Q3 2012	Q3 2011
Android	84.4%	81.2%	74.9%	57.4%
iOS (Apple)	11.7%	12.8%	14.4%	13.8%
Windows Phone	2.9%	3.6%	2.0%	1.2%
BlackBerry	0.5%	1.7%	4.1%	9.6%
Other	0.6%	0.6%	4.5%	18.8%

(Source: [idc.com/prodserv/smartphone-os-market-share](http://idc.com/prodserv/smartphone-os-market-share))

# ANDROID AND IOS

- iOS was popular first (called iPhone OS back then)
- Market share of Android is much bigger now
- So let's start with Android...

# ANDROID



- Open Handset Alliance led by Google
- Publicly available since November 2007

The Rise of Android

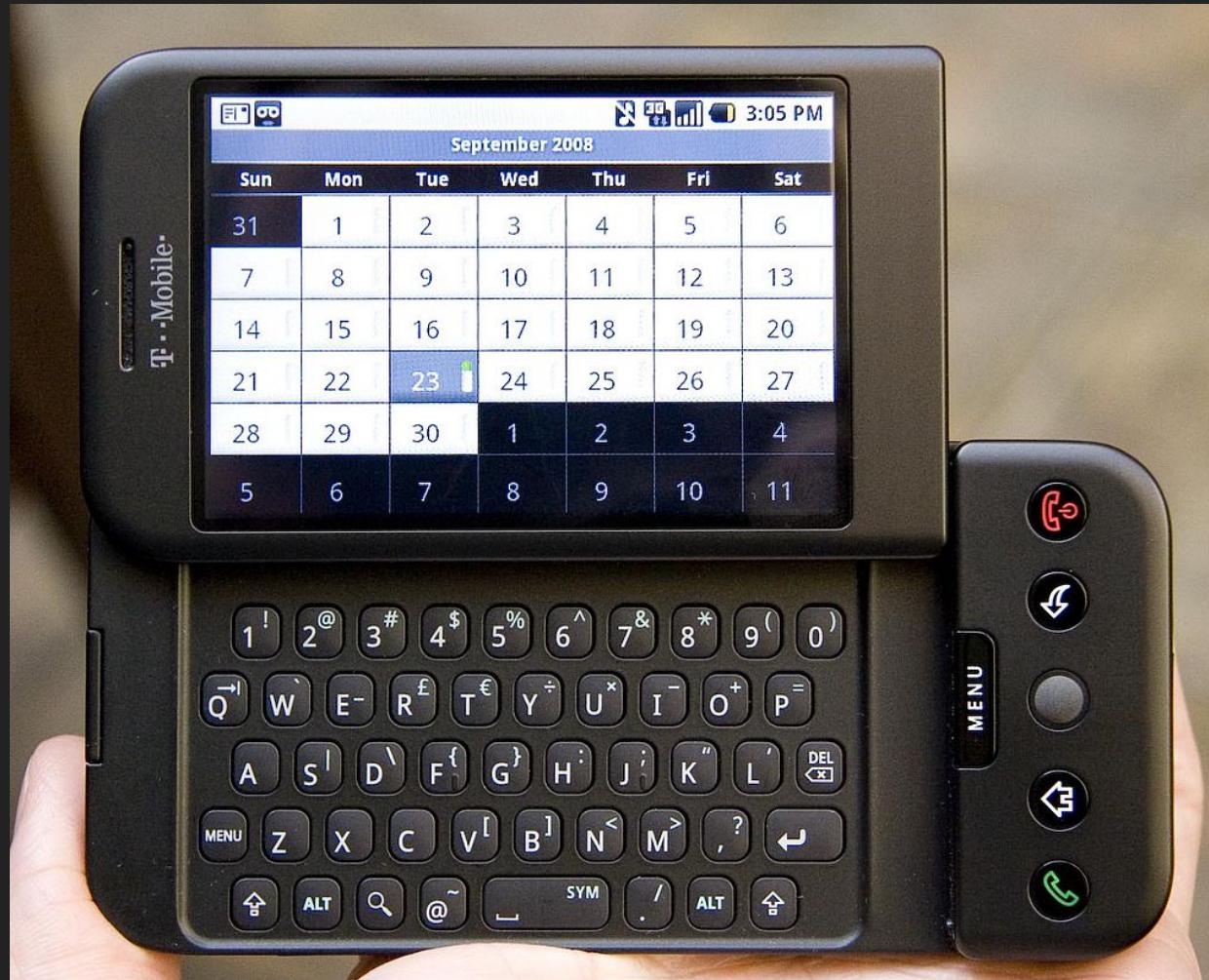
# ANDROID'S PURPOSE

- Spreading the use of Google services across the mobile web
- Makes economic sense to offer Android for free
- In 2009 device vendors needed an answer to the iPhone
- Android was available (and free...)
- Free is cheaper than not free
- Most device vendors jumped on the Android bandwagon
- Except for Apple, Nokia, and BlackBerry
- Nokia and BlackBerry failed

# ANDROID DIFFERENTIATION

- Google allowed Android differentiation
- Purpose: Get device vendors to adopt it
- Vendors could create their own interface layer
- They could also change default apps, including the browser
- Samsung TouchWiz, HTC Sense, MotoBlur, ...
- Differentiation is the positive slant on fragmentation

# T-MOBILE G1: 1ST ANDROID SMARTPHONE



# ANDROID: WHAT IS IT?

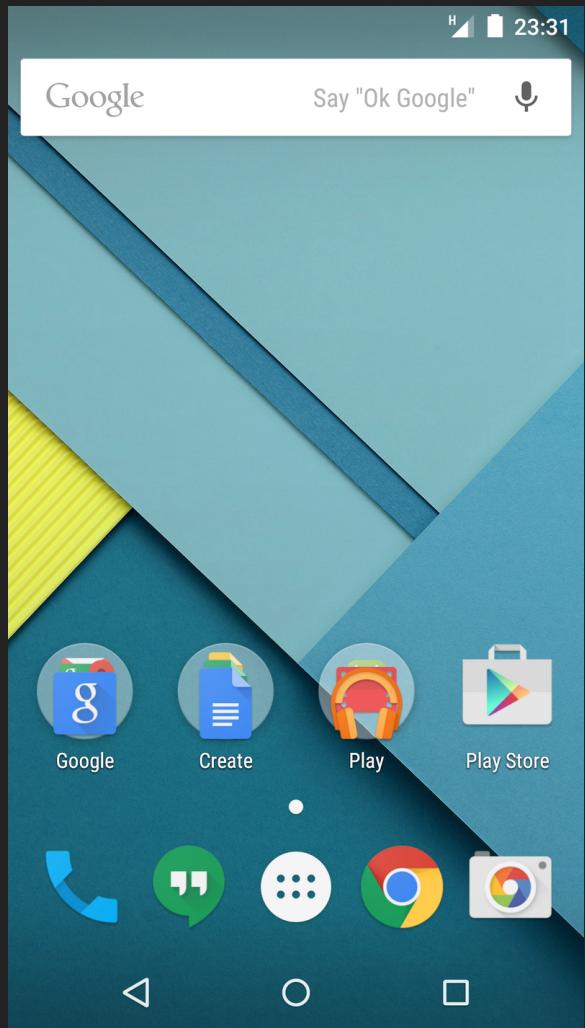
- Operating system
- Collection of pre-installed applications
- Application framework supported by a comprehensive set of tools

# ANDROID: VERSIONS

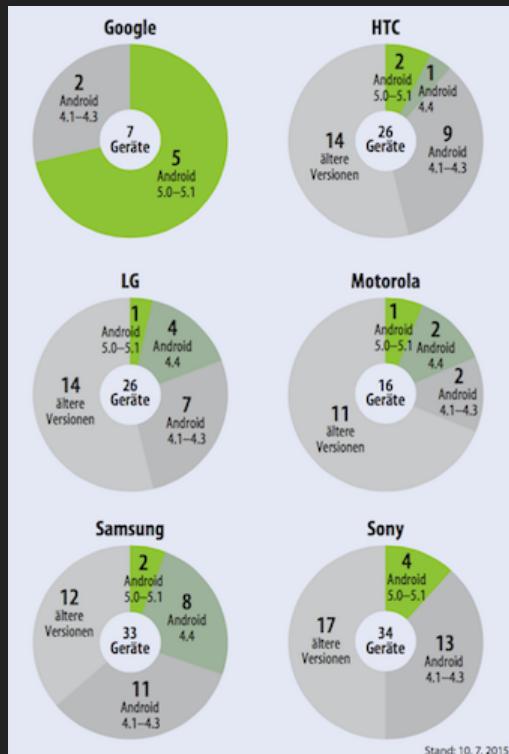
- Current: Android 5.x (Lollipop)
  - New UI toolkit *Material Design*
  - Runtime Dalvik replaced with the new Android Runtime (ART, improves performance by a factor of up to 4x)
  - Improved battery life, privacy features, cross-device user accounts, extensions to the notification system
- Next: Android M
  - New permission system
  - Lots of other improvements

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# ANDROID 5 "LOLLIPOP"

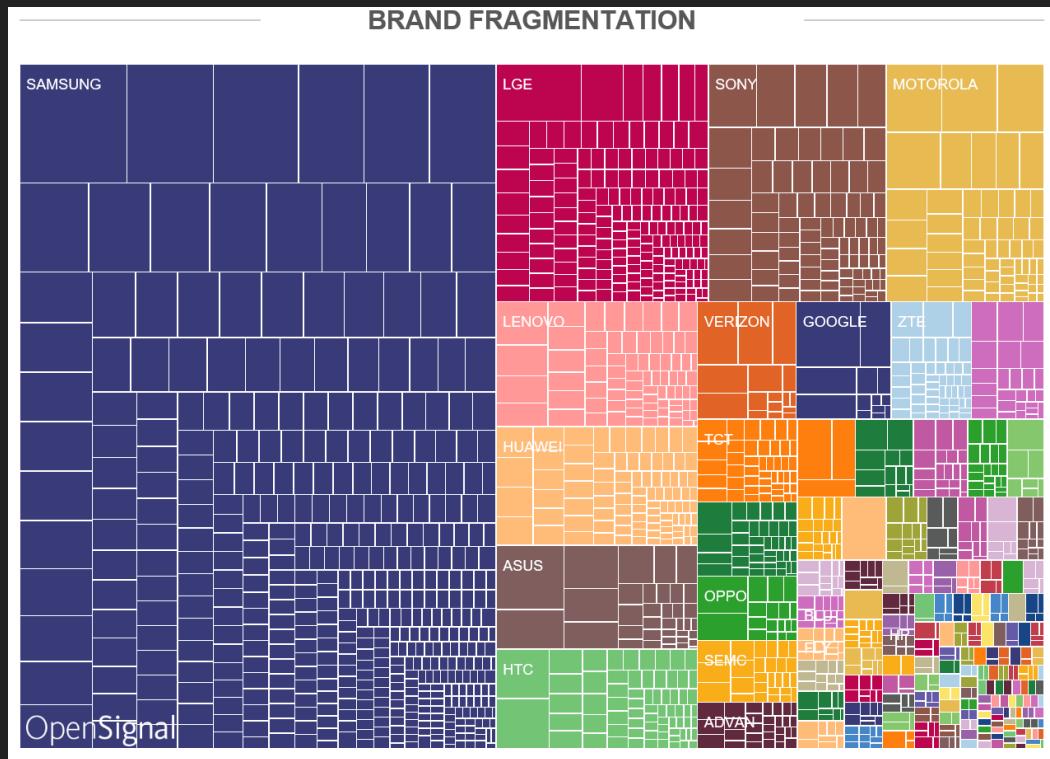


# ANDROID PROBLEM: FRAGMENTATION



- Many different devices by various manufacturers
- Only partially updated to current versions
- Image: c't 18/2015 p.107,  
Smartphones sold in Germany 2011-2013)

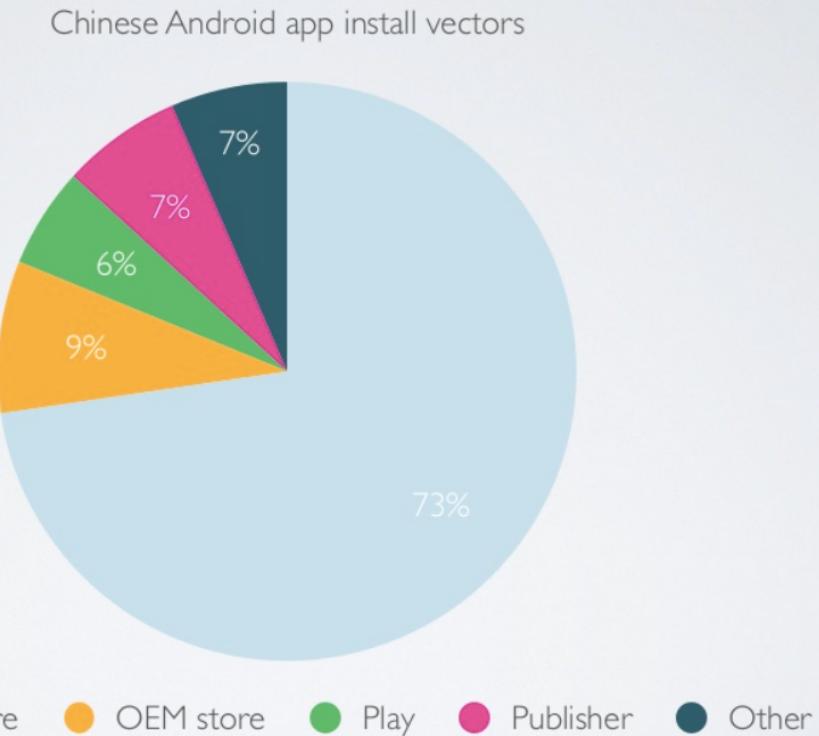
# ANDROID PROBLEM: FRAGMENTATION



[opensignal.com/reports/2015/08/android-fragmentation/](http://opensignal.com/reports/2015/08/android-fragmentation/)

# CHINESE ANDROID

(Chinese Android isn't Google)



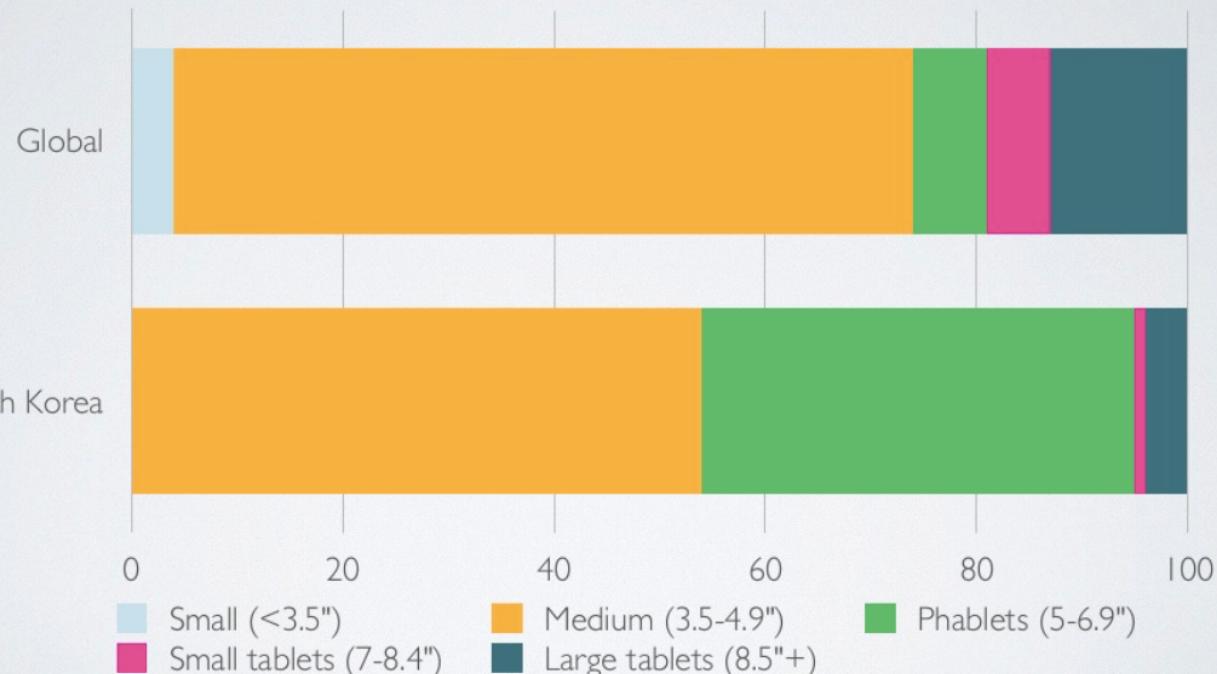
## REGIONAL DIFFERENCES

- Regional market share of each platform varies significantly
- China is the largest smartphone market today
  - More than 40% of worldwide Android shipments in Q3 2013
  - Typically based on the Android Open Source Platform (AOSP)
  - No Google Play Store, no Google Mobile Services

# REGIONAL DIFFERENCES

## Blurring definitions

Estimated Android user base, August 2013 (%)



# ANDROID: DEVELOPMENT

- Programming language for Android is based on Java
- Only a subset of the Java libraries and packages are supported
- Android SDK available for Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux
- Android Studio: prepacked IDE based on IntelliJ

[developers.google.com/android/](http://developers.google.com/android/)

# ANDROID: MONETIZATION

- Advertising, click- or view-based
- Different in-app billing possibilities
- Card.io's SDK for camera-enabled credit card scanning

[developers.google.com/ads/](https://developers.google.com/ads/)

# IOS: ECOSYSTEM



- 9 million registered iOS developers (summer 2014)
- This is a 47% increase from the previous year
- 1.4 million apps are available on iOS (January 2015)
- App billings rose another 50 percent within one year
- 25 bn dollars paid to iOS developers

# IOS: HISTORY (1)

- iPhone unveiled by Steve Jobs January 9th 2007
- OS named iPhone OS
- November 2010: launch of the fourth generation of the OS
  - renamed to iOS
  - launch of the original iPad
- New version each year
- iOS7 was touted as a major UI refresh

And Then Steve Said, ‘Let There Be an iPhone’

# IOS: HISTORY (2)

- iOS8 launched in September 2014
  - new frameworks and services: HealthKit, HomeKit, CloudKit
  - new device: Apple Watch
  - Tighter integration between iOS devices and Macs running Yosemite
- iOS9
  - News app based on RSS
  - Split views on iPad
  - Siri improved, proactive assistant
  - Faster graphics, longer battery life
- High adoption rate of each iOS version soon after release

Release Notes

# IOS: DEVELOPMENT

- Layers of technologies
- Cocoa Touch: Primary framework developers interact with
- IDE: XCode, Interface Builder, iOS Simulator
- Programming Languages: Objective-C, Swift (2014)
- App Store: deploying apps to consumers
- Apple developer account needed

[developer.apple.com](http://developer.apple.com)

# APP STORE

- Primary method for deploying apps to consumers
- Each app submitted is reviewed
- Strict rules on how 3rd party applications run on iOS and use the Sandbox
- Users can control the apps access to their data (i.e. contacts, calendars, photos) or GPS location
- Developers must prepare for cases where the user has denied these type of requests
- Monetization: Ads, selling app, in-app purchases

<https://developer.apple.com/iad/>

# WINDOWS PHONE

- Has become the 'third ecosystem' in the smartphone universe
- Windows Phone and PC platform are going to converge
- Universal app store, universal app APIs and universal tooling
- Targets phones, tablets, PCs, TVs via the Xbox One, embedded devices
- Windows 10 was released on 29. July 2015

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# WINDOWS 10



# WINDOWS: ECOSYSTEM

- Microsoft bought the Nokia Devices and Services business 2014
- Removed any licensing costs associated with some device types
- In 2014 the overall progress was far lower than it was hoped
- Second place after Android in some countries
- Windows Phone vendors: Microsoft, Samsung, Celkon Mobiles, Micromax, Lava International, Miia, Highscreen, Kazam, Blue, NGM, Yezz, Allview, Archos, HTC and others

# WINDOWS: LANGUAGES AND TOOLING

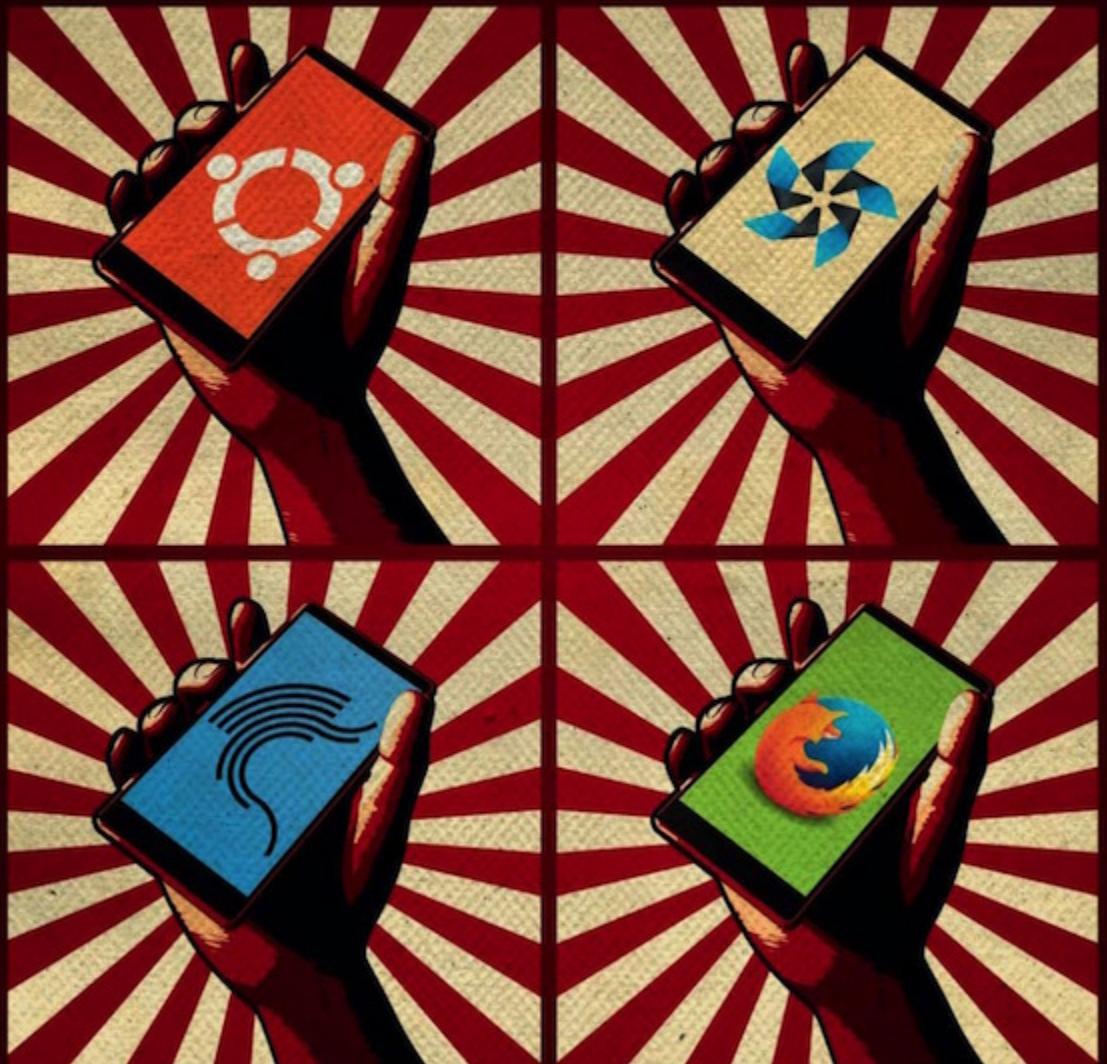
- Development in C/C++, C# or VB.NET
- Microsoft Visual Studio IDE
- WinRT XAML platform for event-driven applications
- DirectX for games
- Additionally HTML5 and JS based apps are possible
- Without coding: Windows Phone App Studio or Project Siena app
- Portable Class Libraries (PCL) and Windows Runtime Components

# METRO DESIGN PARADIGM

- "Flat" design paradigm that influenced Android and iOS heavily
- Simple-to-use interface that focuses on typography and content
- Principles
  - Content not Chrome
  - Alive in motion
  - Typography is beautiful
  - Authentically digital
- Important for the overall experience are the 'live tiles'
- Small widgets that reside on the start screen
- Updated programmatically or even remotely

# THE UNDERDOGS

# ЦИДЗЯДФГ



# FIREFOX OS

- Mozilla Foundation
- Linux based, open source
- Aimed at lower end smartphones
- Browser engine Gecko as a runtime environment for apps
- First release published in February 2013

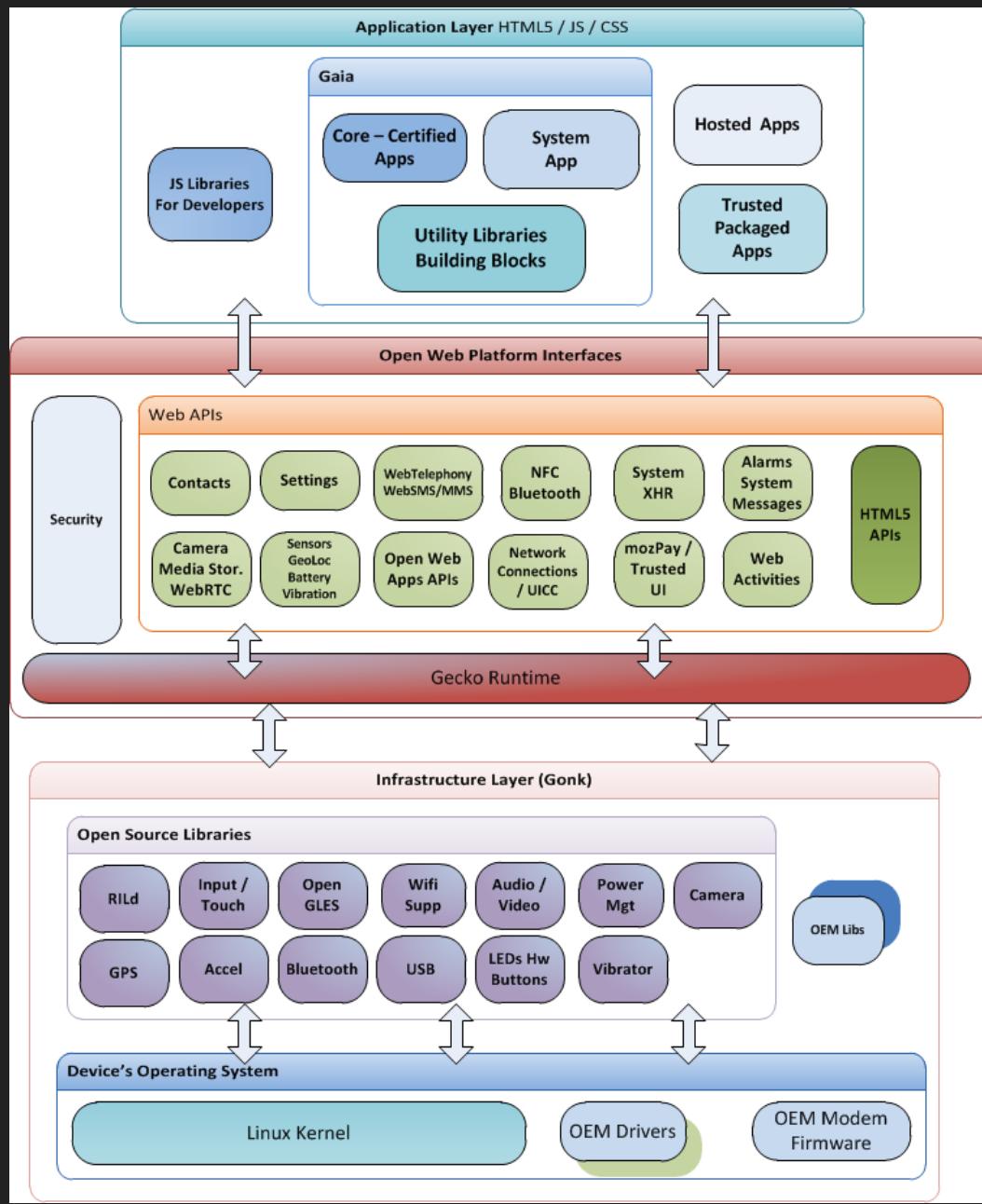
Firefox OS

# FIREFOX OS

- Smartphone interface called Gaia
  - Home screen, phone app, settings, ...
  - Based on open web technologies
- User interface similar to Android
- Hosted apps: loaded via a URL
- Packaged apps: installed on the smartphone
  - Can run offline
  - Access to more device features

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# FIREFOX OS



# FIREFOX OS

- Cooperation with wireless carriers
  - Telefonica
  - Deutsche Telekom
- Geographic focus
  - South America
  - Asia
  - Eastern Europe

# FIREFOX OS: DEVICES

- First device: ZTE Open (80USD), 2013, promoted for emerging markets
- Alcatel's One Touch Fire, European market in October 2013 (€90)
- Has not really taken off so far

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# FIREFOX OS: DEVICES

## Firefox-Smartphones



Alcatel OneTouch Fire E



Geeksphone Revolution



ZTE Open C

# FIREFOX OS: DEVELOPMENT

- HTML-based
- Uses HTML/JavaScript/CSS as the native development languages
- Easy for a web developer to write native apps
- Need to know: JavaScript API provided by Firefox OS, how to package Apps

[MDN Firefox OS](#)

# FIREFOX OS: SIMULATOR

Firefox-WebIDE

App öffnen ▾

▶ ■ ⚙ Laufzeitumgebung auswählen

## Zusätzliche Komponenten

ADB Helper Add-on	Installiert	<button>Deinstallieren</button>
Tools Adapters Add-on	Installiert	<button>Deinstallieren</button>
Simulator für Firefox OS 1.3 (stabil)	Nicht installiert	<button>Installieren</button>
Simulator für Firefox OS 1.4 (stabil)	Nicht installiert	<button>Installieren</button>
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Simulator für Firefox OS 2.1 (stabil)	Nicht installiert	<button>Installieren</button>
Simulator für Firefox OS 2.2 (stabil)	Installiert	<button>Deinstallieren</button>
Simulator für Firefox OS 3.0 (experimentell)	Nicht installiert	<button>Installieren</button>

USB-GERÄTE  
Wird Ihr Gerät nicht angezeigt?

WLAN-GERÄTE

SIMULATOREN

- Firefox OS 2.2
- Simulator installieren

SONSTIGE

- Externe Laufzeitumgebung
- Chrome Desktop
- Safari, Firefox, and other WebViews on iOS

Informationen zur Laufzeitumgebung

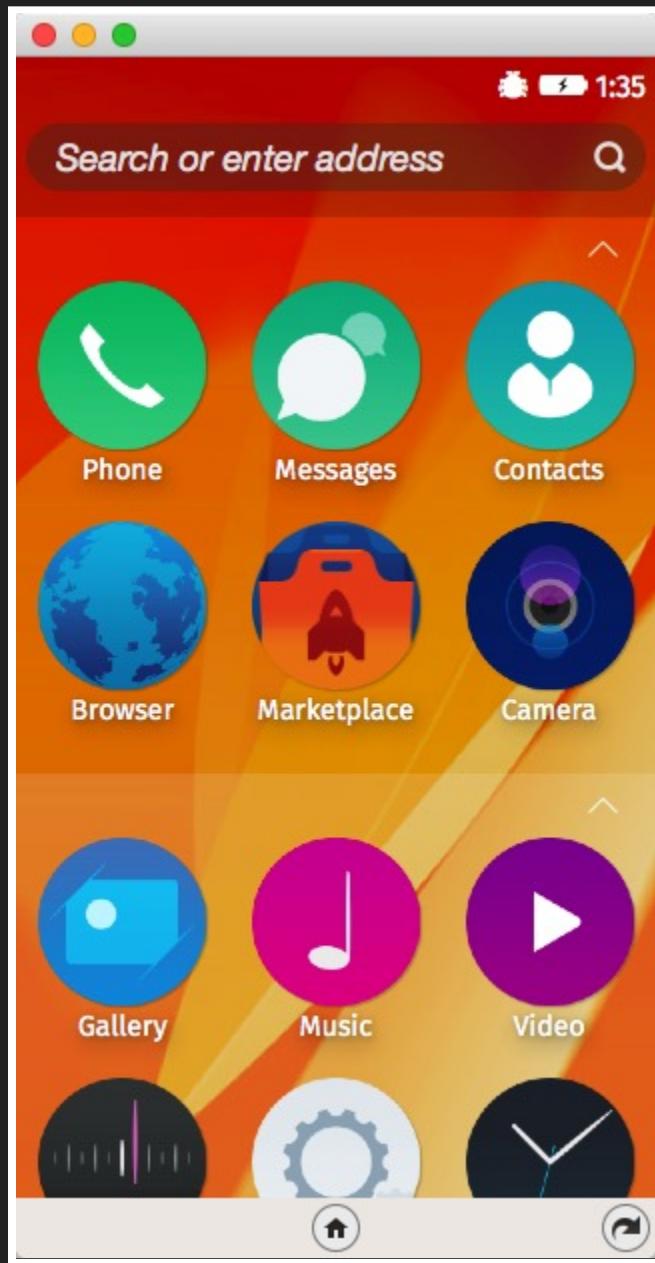
Berechtigungstabelle

Einstellungen der Geräteplattform

Einstellungen der Apps auf dem Gerät

Screenshot

Trennen



# FIREFOX OS: MARKETPLACE

- Global AppStore called Marketplace
- Apps often based on mobile web apps  
(Facebook, Twitter, ...)
- Few games
- Popular apps missing
- Apps are reviewed
- Developers get 70% of the generated revenue

## Marketplace

(Closer look at Firefox OS: planned for MOBA2)

# BLACKBERRY

- Eight years ago: number 2 in smartphone business
- Now a niche system
- Although most drawbacks were fixed
- Devices with and without real keyboards

Blackberry 10 OS

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# BLACKBERRY



# BLACKBERRY OS

- Particularly suited for messaging
- BlackBerry hub for messages
  - E-Mails from various accounts
  - Twitter
  - Facebook
  - SMS
  - WhatsApp
  - BlackBerry's chat system BBM

# BLACKBERRY OS

- Business data and apps separated from private data and apps
- Private area: Android runtime available
  - Based on AOSP (Android Open Source Project)
  - No access to Google's Play Store
  - Amazon App Store can be used

# BLACKBERRY OS

- Development Options
  - C Native SDK
  - C++ Cascades SDK
  - HTML5 WebWorks
  - Android Runtime
  - BlackBerry App Generator
- Distribution: BlackBerry AppWorld

# UBUNTU PHONE

- Also known as *Ubuntu Touch*
- Mobile version of the Ubuntu operating system
- Designed primarily for touchscreen mobile devices
- Qt5-based touch user interface

Ubuntu Phone

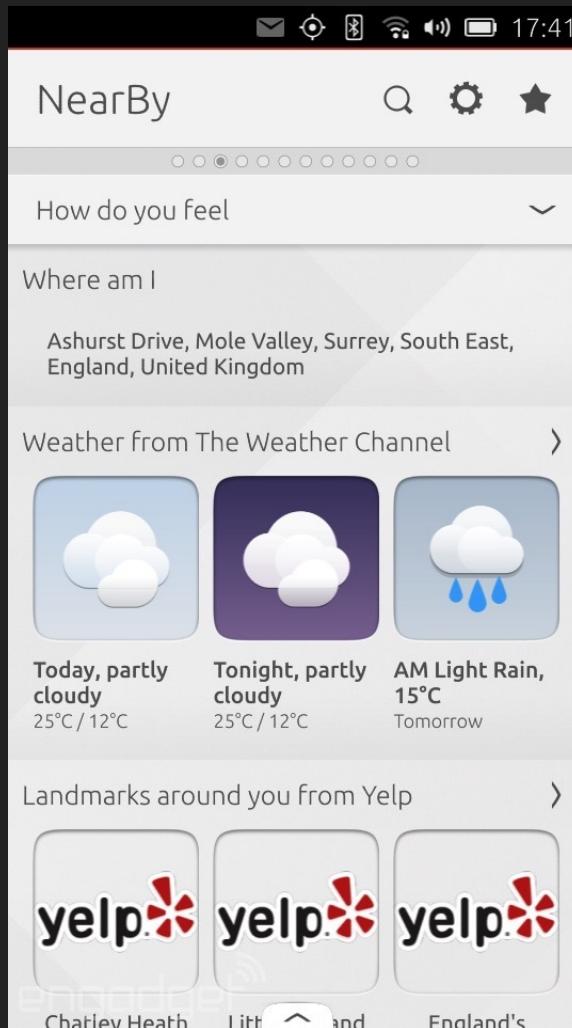
# UBUNTU PHONE

- No Home-, Back- or Search-Keys
- Instead, gestures are used
- Scopes to present information on the home screen
  - Videos, Music, Weather, ...
  - Can be activated sequentially (swipe gesture)
  - About 50 Scopes in the Ubuntu App Store
- Sidebar with frequently used apps

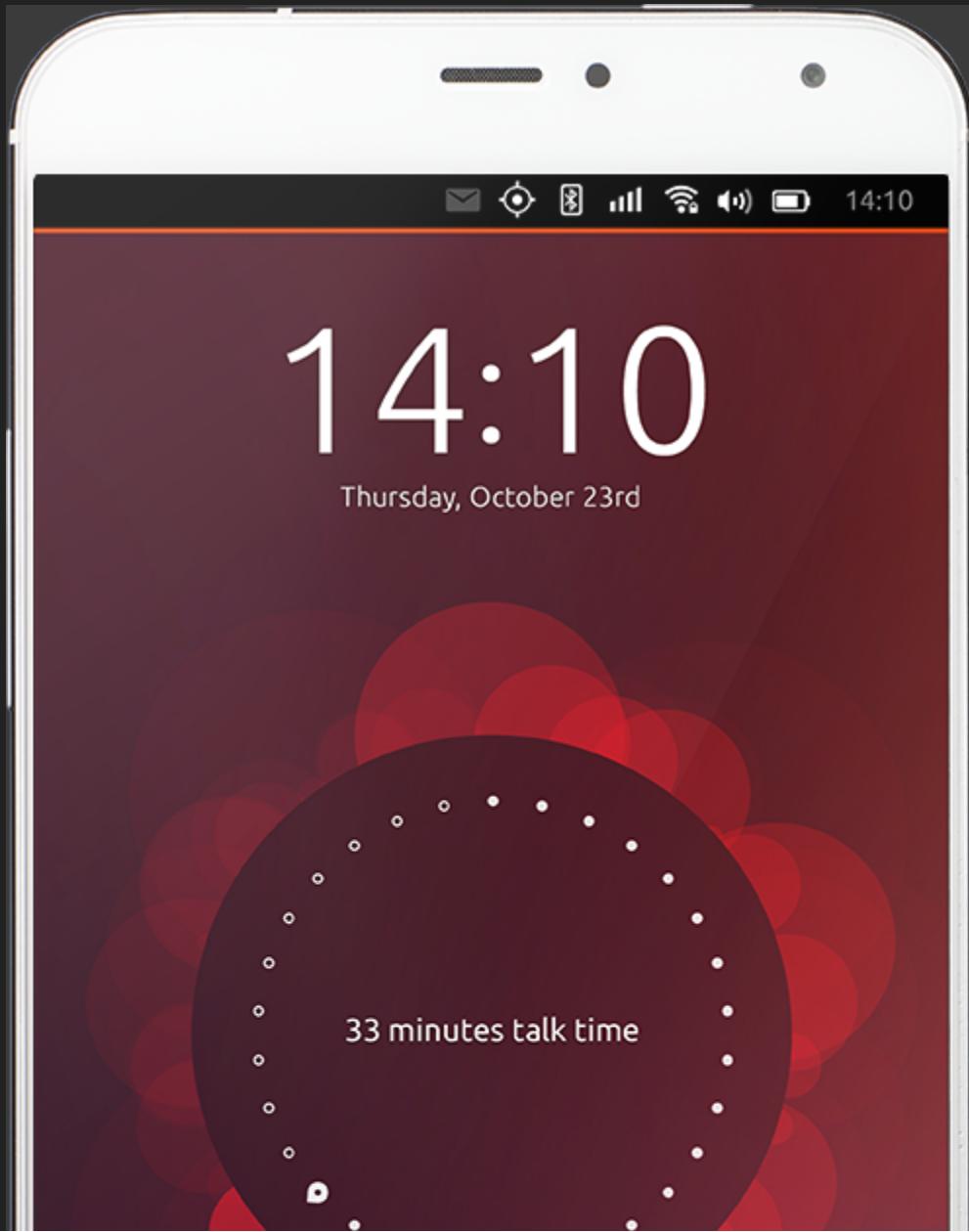
"Make Android look like Ubuntu Phone"

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# UBUNTU PHONE



# MEIZU MX4 UBUNTU EDITION



# UBUNTU PHONE

- Based on Linux (root access)
- Uses frameworks originally developed for Maemo and MeeGo
- Can be ported to most recent Android smartphones
- First phones with Ubuntu appeared 2015 (originally announced for 2013)
- Can be installed on Google Nexus Smartphones

# TIZEN

- Open source, Linux based
- Intel, Samsung, brand of the Linux Foundation
- Also contributing: Fujitsu, NTT Docomo, Huawei, Vodafone, Orange
- Designed for various smart devices:  
Smartphones, tablets, netbooks, watches, tvs, car multimedia
- Source code mostly open source
- Based on work of Nokia (Maemo), Intel (Moblin, MeeGo), LiMo Foundation (LiMo) and Samsung (Bada OS)

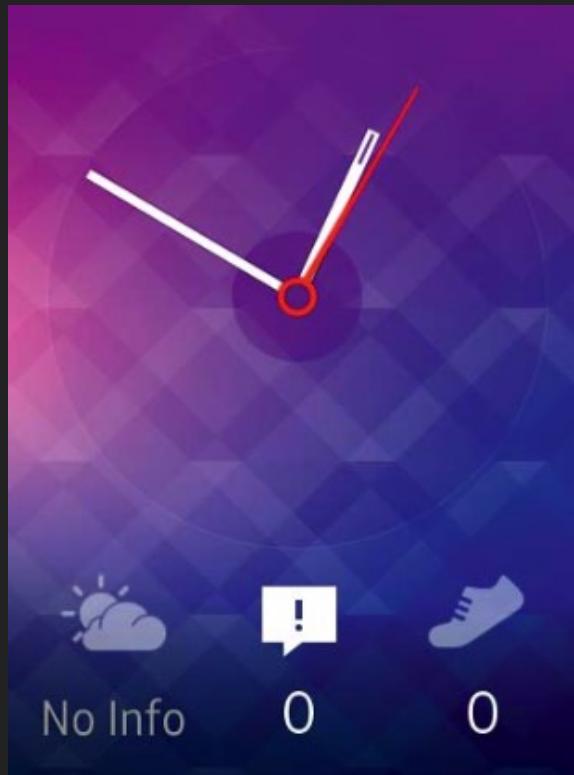
[www.tizen.org](http://www.tizen.org)

# TIZEN: DEVICES

- First public available Tizen device: Samsung's camera NX300M
- Also: Samsung Smartwatches Gear 2 and Gear 2 Neo
- All Samsung Smart TVs released during 2015 will run Tizen
- January 2015: first Tizen powered smartphone (Z1) launched in India

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# TIZEN: DEVICES



# TIZEN: LOGO



# TIZEN: SAMSUNG Z1



- Sold in India
- 80€
- 4 GB Flash Storage
- 3 MP Camera
- Dualcore processor
- Dual SIM

# TIZEN: DEVELOPMENT

- Web Apps (HTML5, CSS, JS)
  - Tizen web browser is one of the best HTML5 implementation on mobile devices
  - Comprehensive list of HTML5 features available
- Also possible: native apps in C++ (Bada Framework)
- Tizen SDK contains an Eclipse-based IDE

# TIZEN: APPS

- Main hub for distributing apps will be the TizenStore
- TizenStore tailored to Indian market
- Meets requirements for a successful smartphone OS
- Availability of smartphones missing

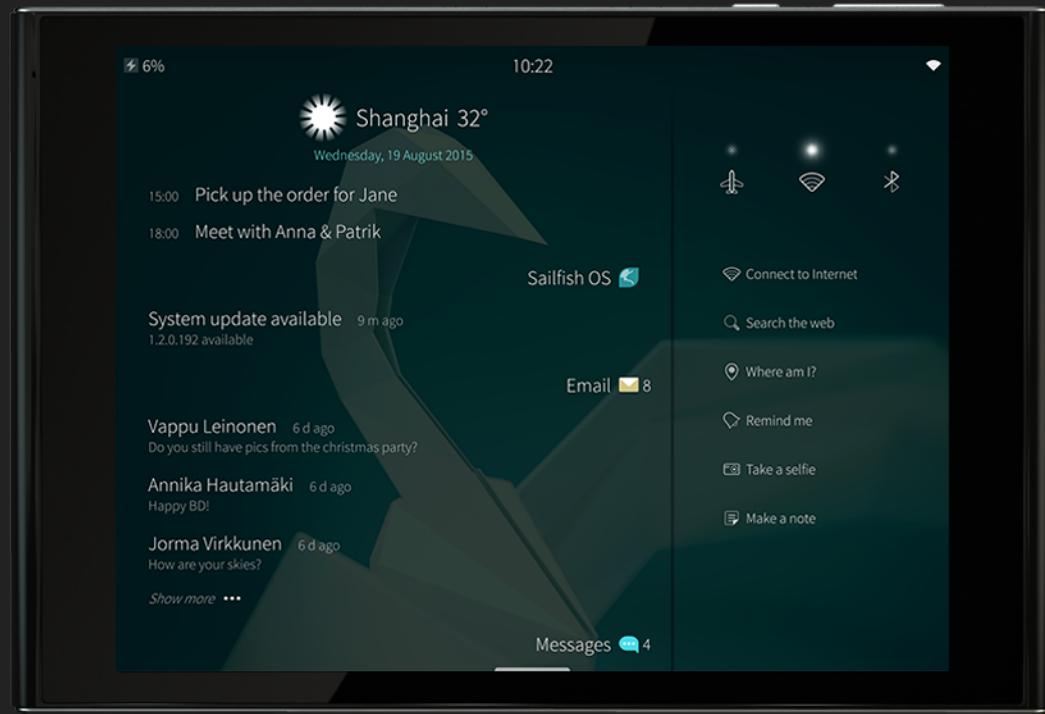
# Sailfish



- Jolla (founded by former Nokia employees)
- Sailfish OS based on MeGo and Mer (community project)
- Homescreen with tiles
- Controlled with gestures

[jolla.com/jolla/](http://jolla.com/jolla/)  
[blog.jolla.com/](http://blog.jolla.com/)

# SAILFISH OS: DEVICES



- Jolla phone November 2013
- Jolla tablet in May 2015 (??)

# SAILFISH OS: APPS

- Sailfish OS is able to run
  - Sailfish-native apps
  - Android apps
  - MeeGo-native apps (not all)
  - Linux apps compiled for Sailfish device
- Alien Dalvik runtime for Android apps
  - Android apps run out of the box
  - Yandex and Aptoide shops available in the Jolla Store
  - Google Play Store can be added manually
- Jolla Store with several hundred apps

# SAILFISH OS: SYSTEM

- Access to the Linux system
  - Tools like systemd, bash, rpm available
- Active community:
  - [together.jolla.com/questions/](http://together.jolla.com/questions/)
  - [talk.maemo.org](http://talk.maemo.org)

# FEATURE PHONE PLATFORMS (REP.)

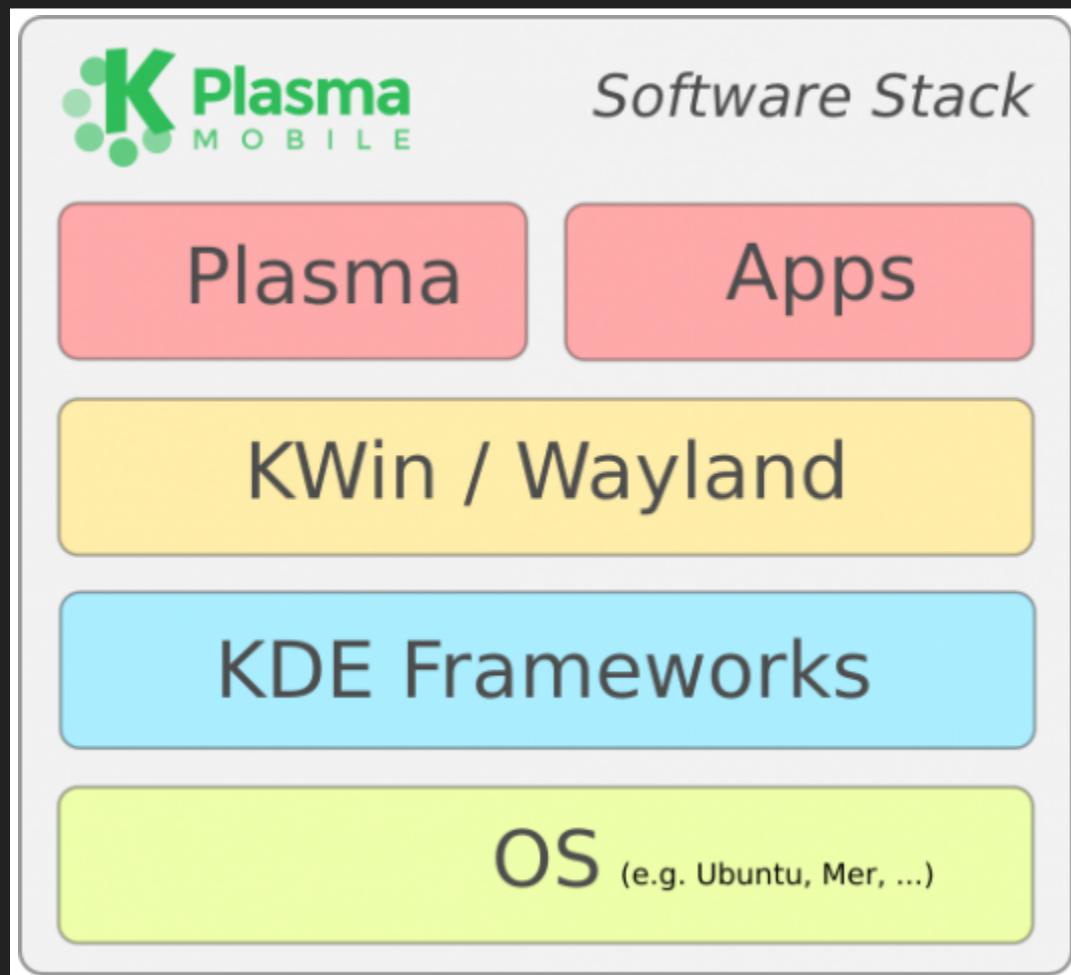
- Globally one third of all phones sold in Q3 2014 were feature phones
- Install base much higher than that
- But: Android is increasingly taking over the low-cost handset market
- Apps typically developed using Java ME or BREW (Qualcomm)

# JAVA ME (J2ME)

- Oldest mobile application platform
- Still widely used
- Designed to run primarily on feature phones
- Most mobile phones in use today are feature phones
- Dominates this market segment
- Gradually being phased out by low-end smartphones

# EXPERIMENTAL SYSTEMS

- Example: KDE Plasma 5



# OLDER SYSTEMS

# SYMBIAN OS

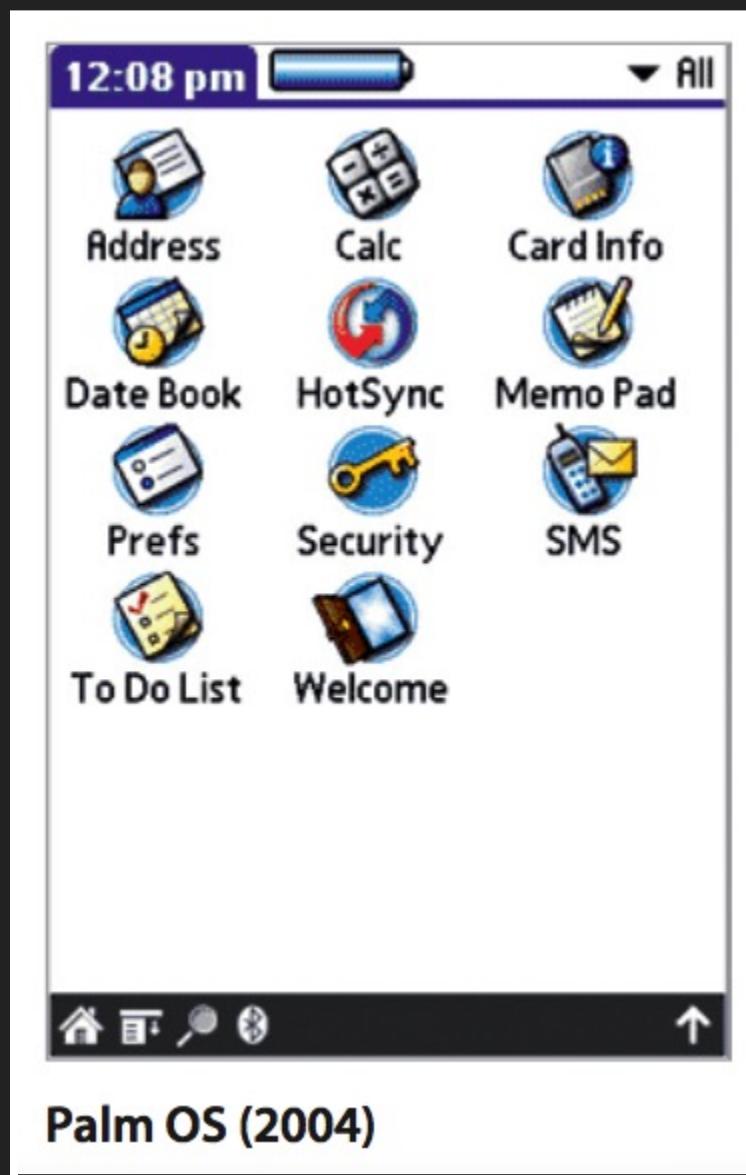
- Nokia
- Worldwide market share was more than 50%
- Also used by Siemens, Panasonic, Samsung
- Symbian S60 (2008)
- Symbian 3 (2011)
- Cooperation with Microsoft (2011): end of Symbian OS

# PALM OS

- Developed by Palm for PDAs in 1996
- Simple, single-tasking environment
- Touch screen
- Devices have a detachable stylus to facilitate making selections
- Handwriting recognition input system called Graffiti

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# PALM OS



# PALM TREO

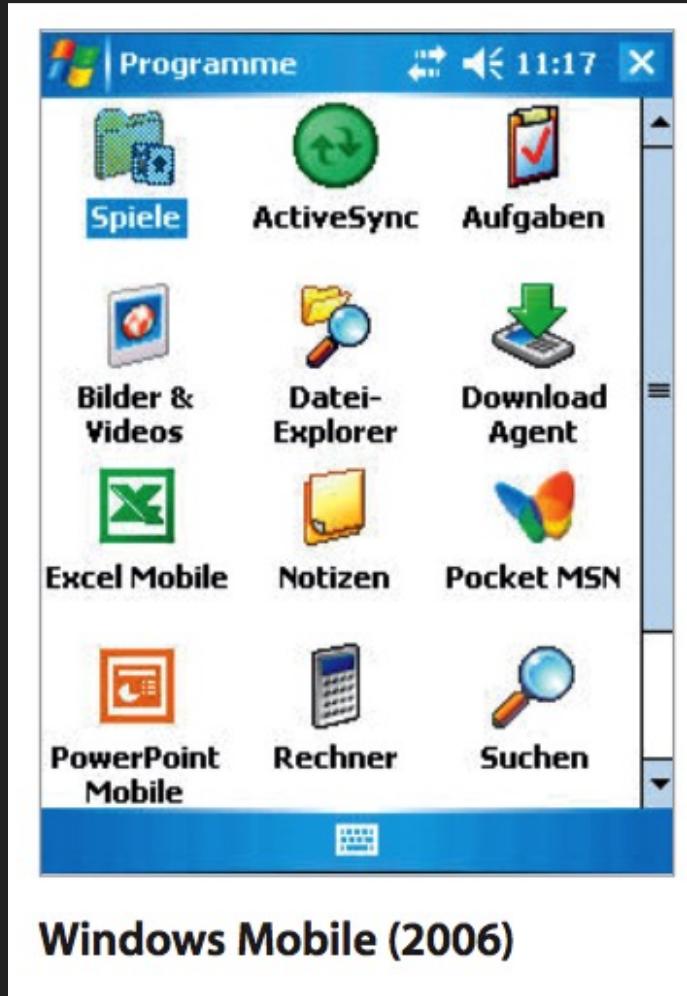


# WEBOS

- Developed by Palm in 2009
- Based on web technologies
- 2010: HP acquired Palm
- 2012: WebOS Open Source
- 2013: bought by LG
- Now used in LS's Smart TVs

# WINDOWS MOBILE

- Successor of Windows CE
- Predecessor of Windows Phone

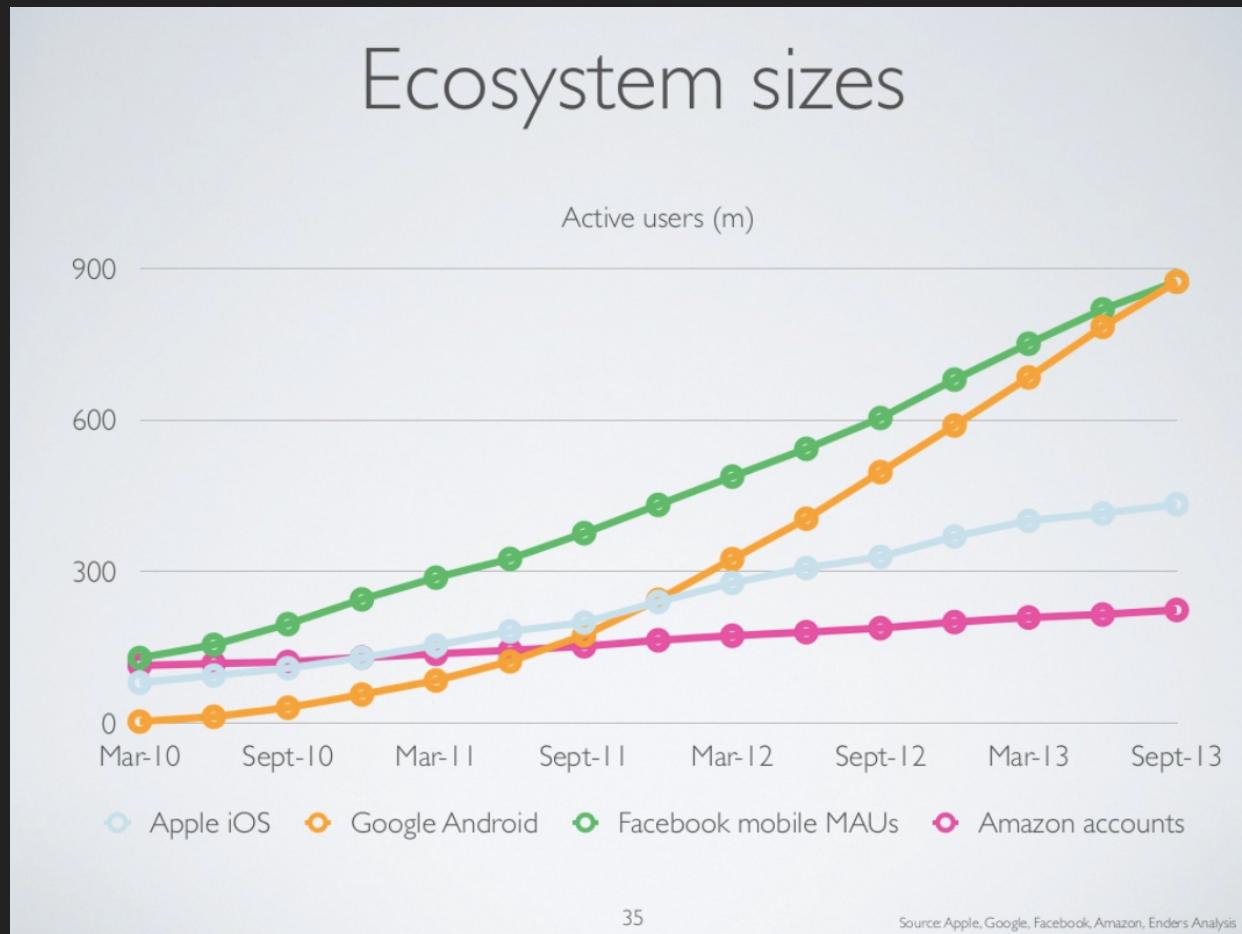


# BADA OS

- Samsung 2010
- In large part a copy of Android
- Unsuccessful attempt to gain market share withz cheap phones
- Discontinued in 2013

# ECOSYSTEMS COMPARED

# ECOSYSTEM SIZES



- netmarketshare
- kantarworldpanel

# ECOSYSTEM DIFFERENCES

Ecosystem is the key leverage point

For Apple, the ecosystem is what sells hardware

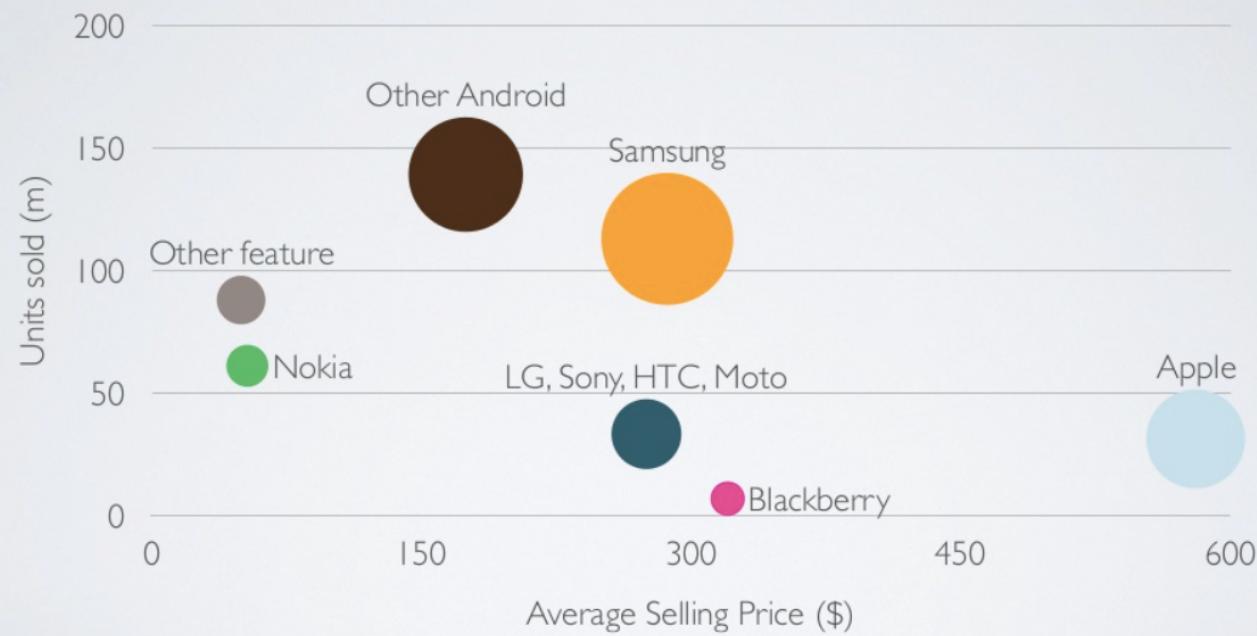


For Amazon, Google and Facebook, the experience on the phone is what drives engagement with all their services

# PRODUCT CATEGORIES

Very different products

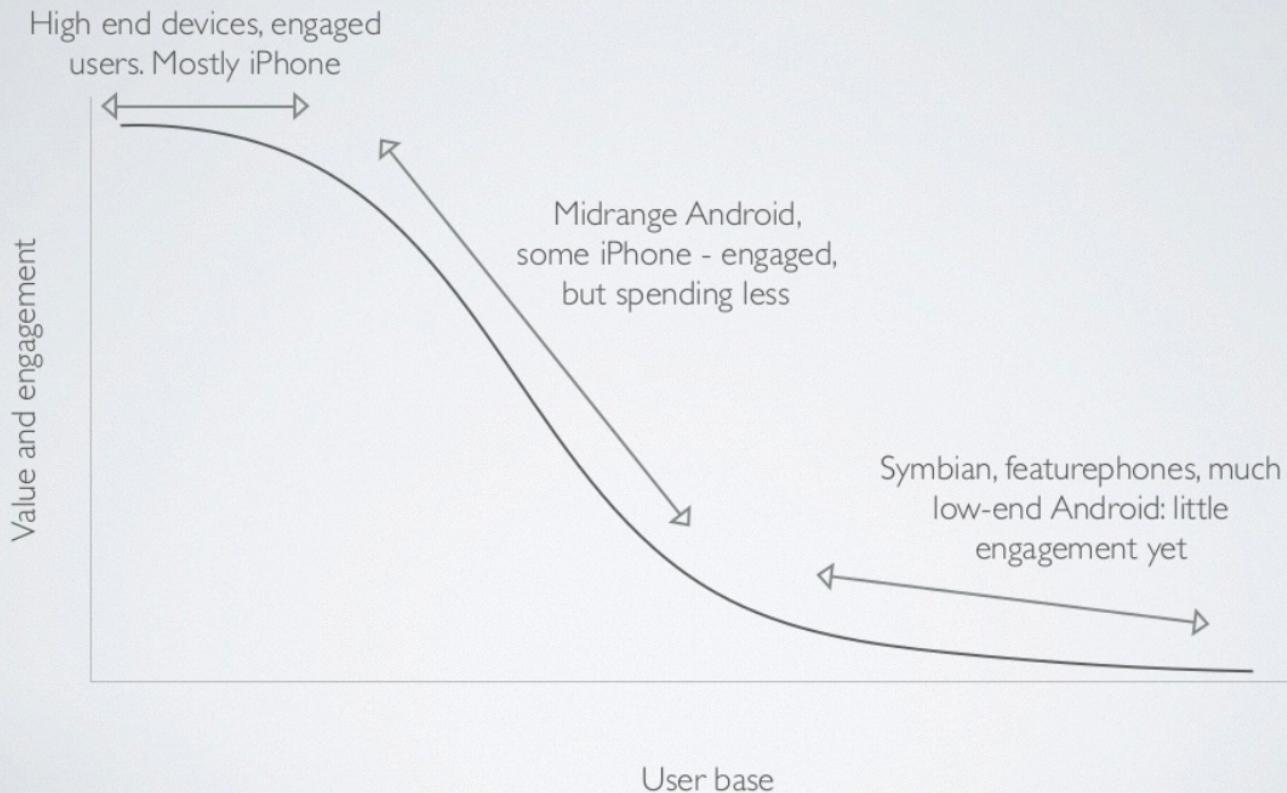
Global mobile handset industry, Q2 2013



Bubble area = revenue

# ECOSYSTEM COHORTS

## Ecosystem cohorts



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