

# Wallpaper, Widgets & Wear

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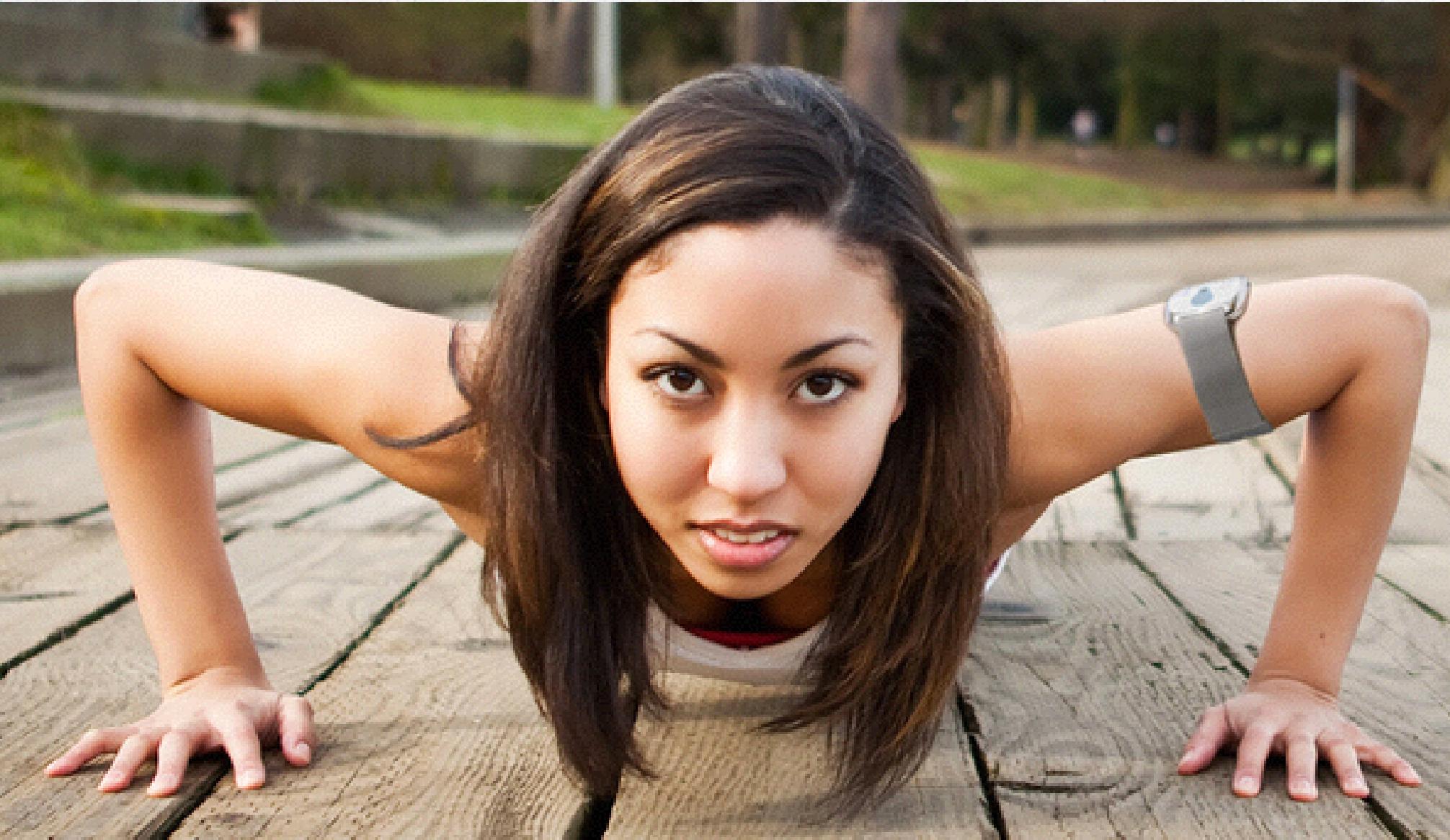


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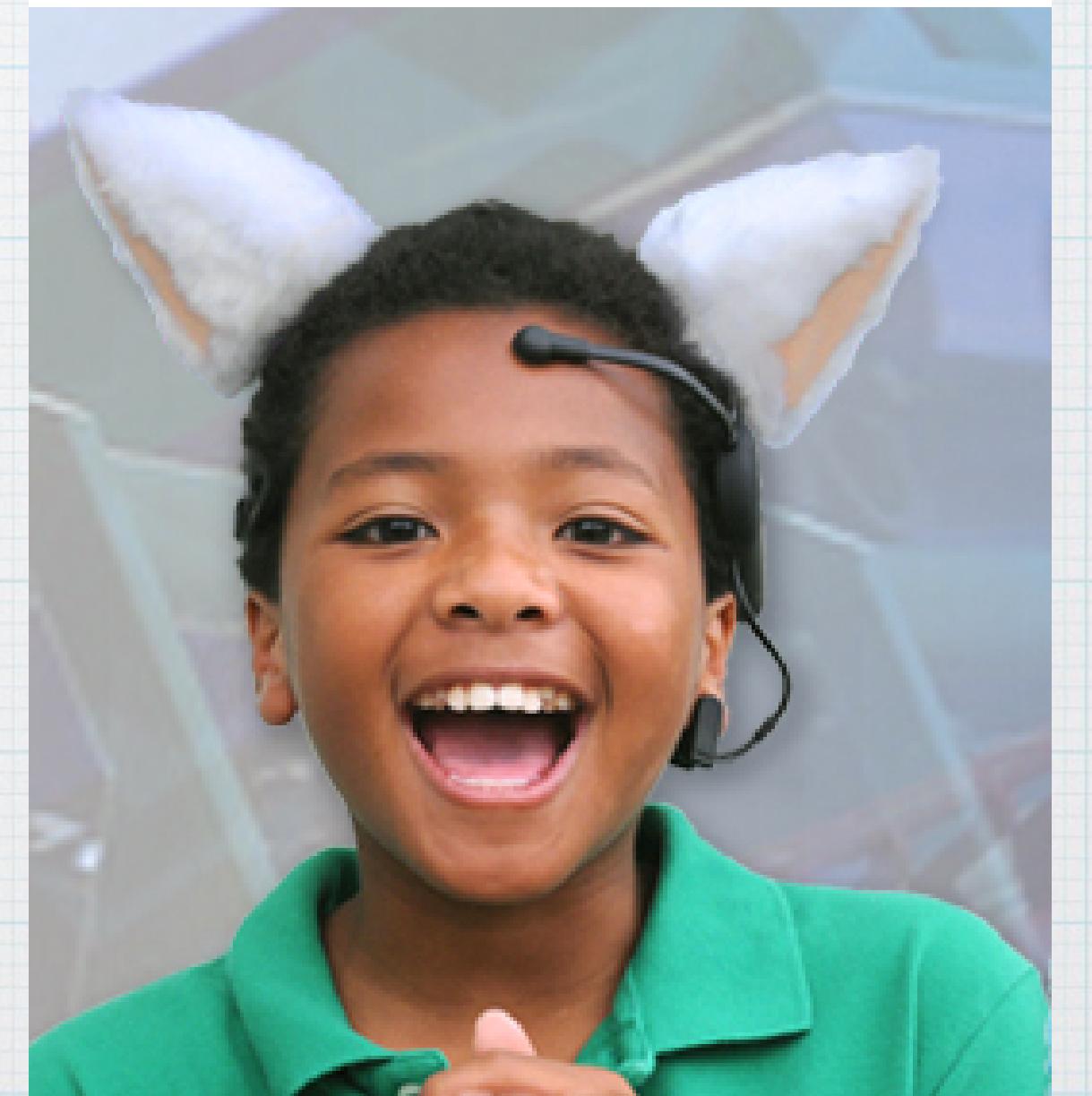
# Other Wearables? Think Design! new paradigms...



Body  
Media

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necomimi™  
Brainwave Cat Ears



# Is the phone a wearable?

- \* Lumo Back

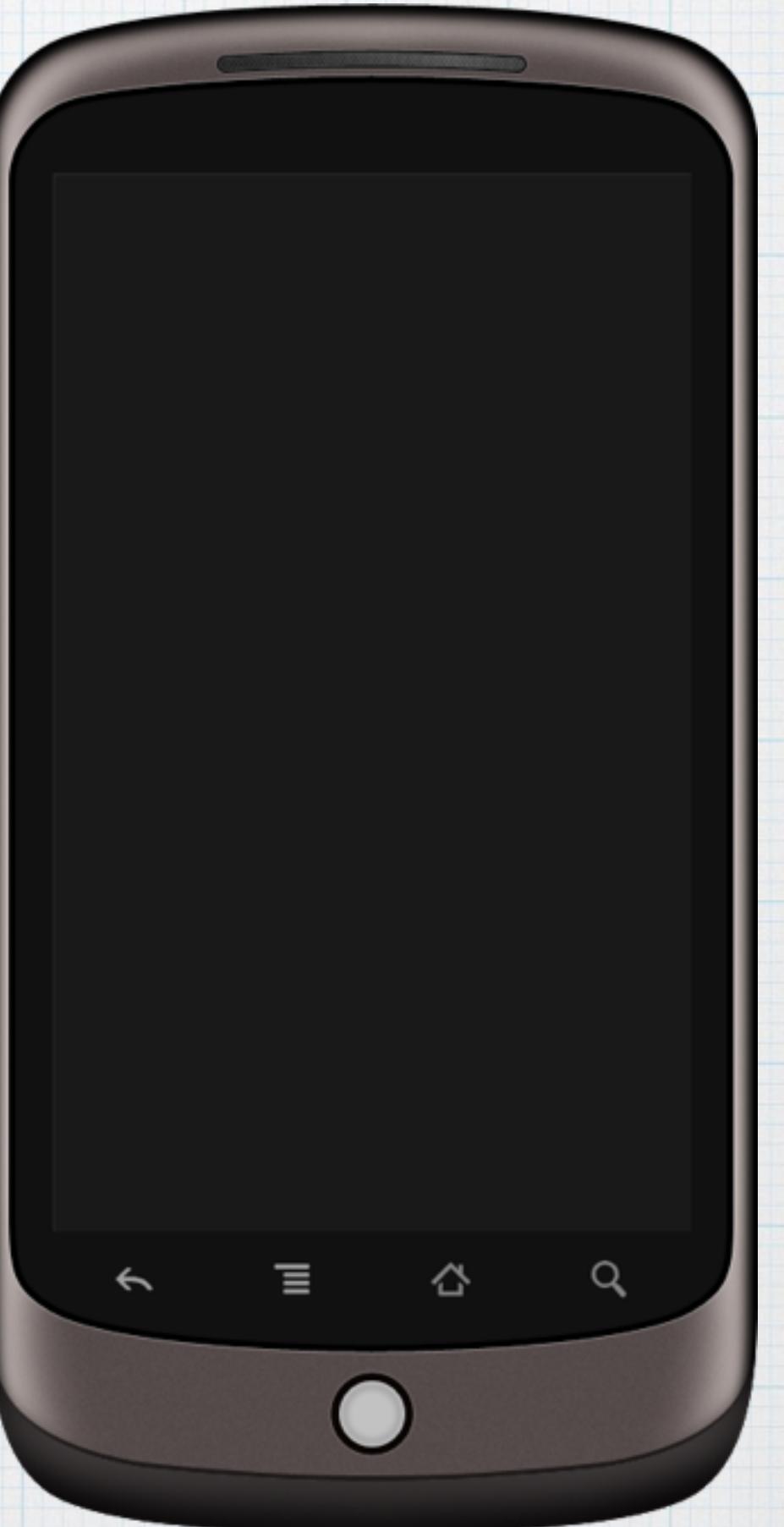
- \* Worn around the midsection
  - \* Sensors measure posture, steps, sitting time, and sleep
  - \* Gentle, haptic input to stop a slouch

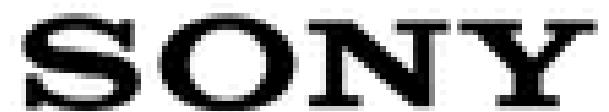
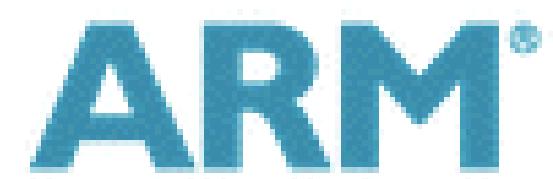
- \* Body Media

- \* Armband records temp, heart rate, calories and sleep
  - \* Proven for weight loss, users win on the portal

- \* Neurosky

- \* Brainwave reader (game input, maybe applied to assist autistics)





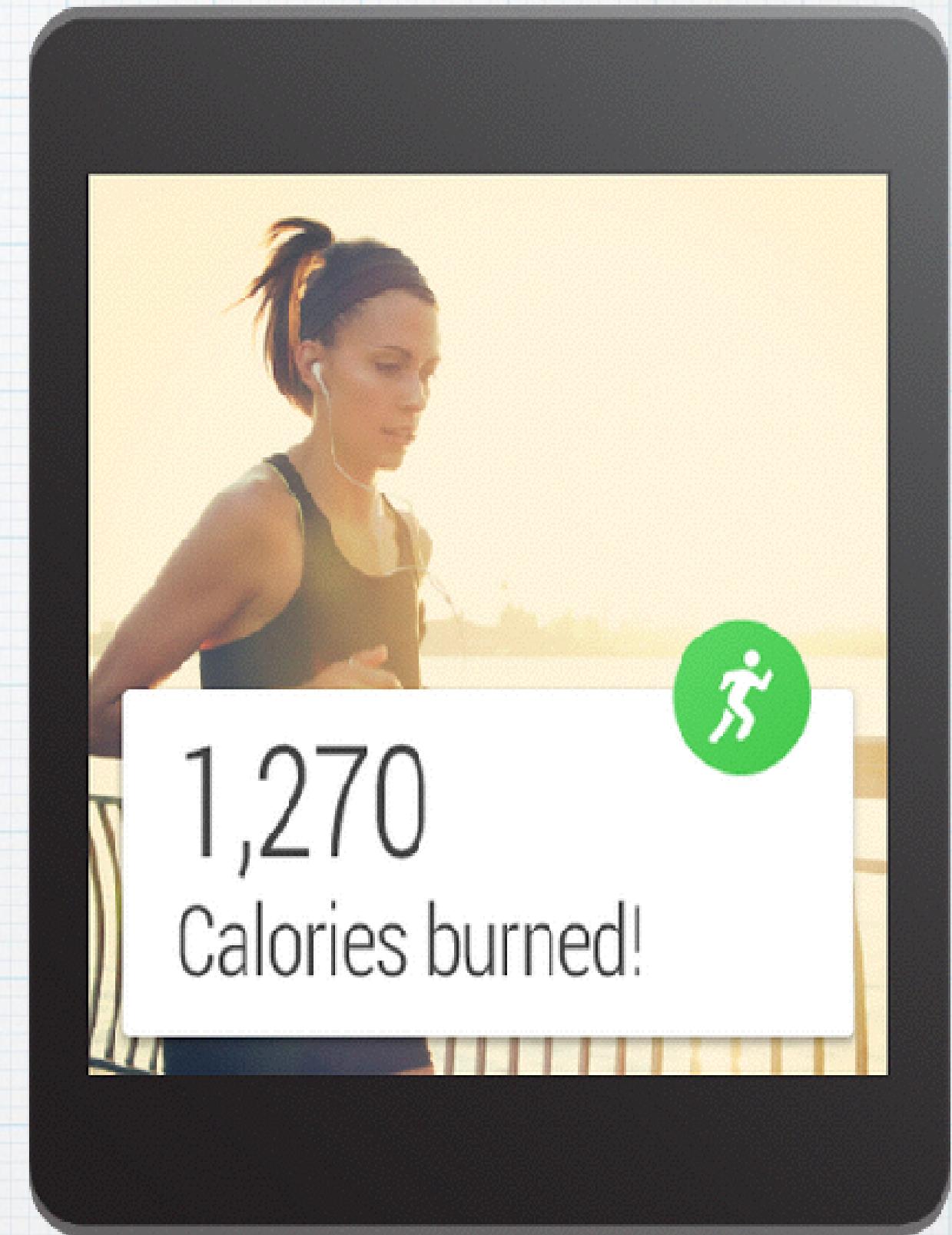
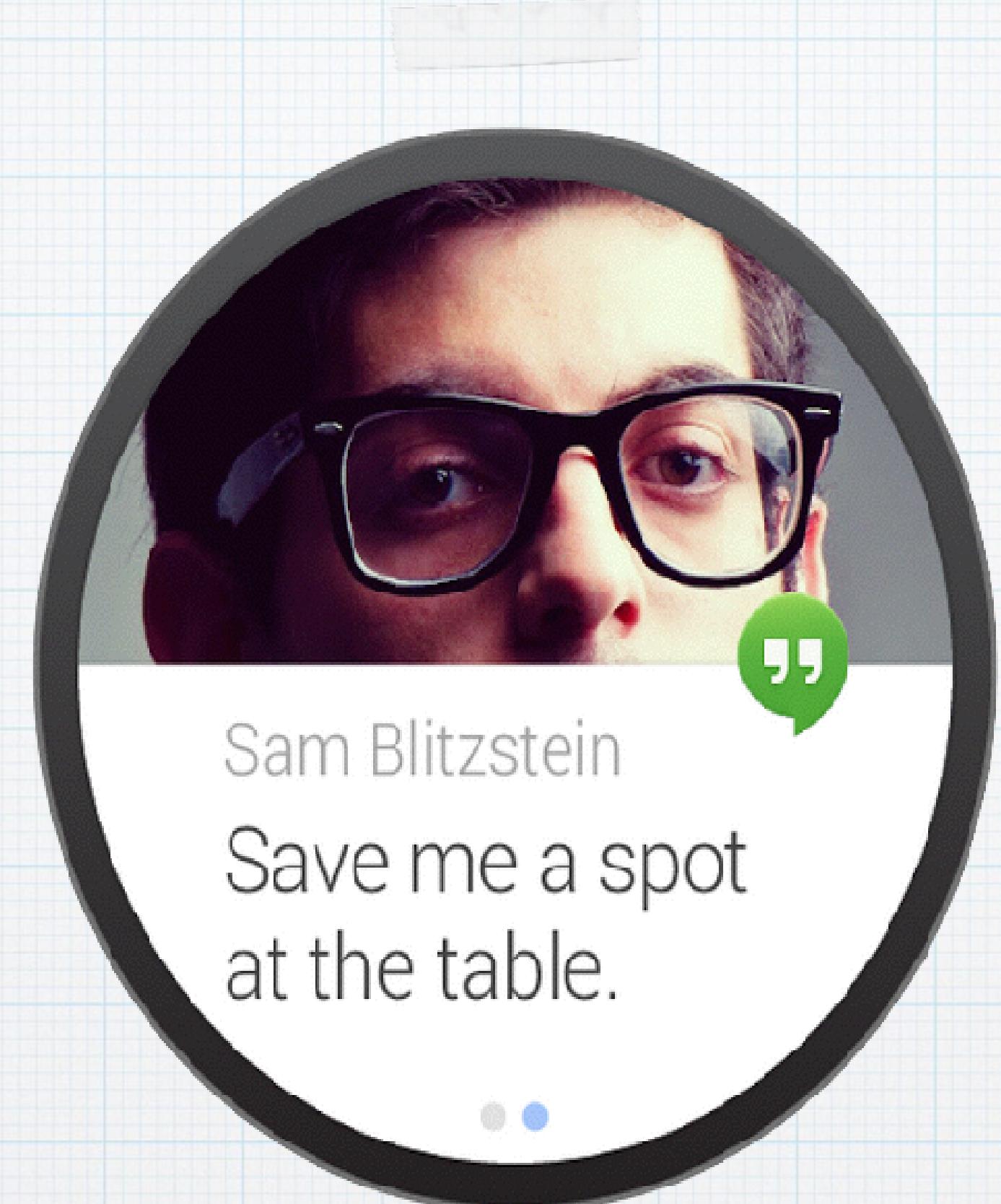
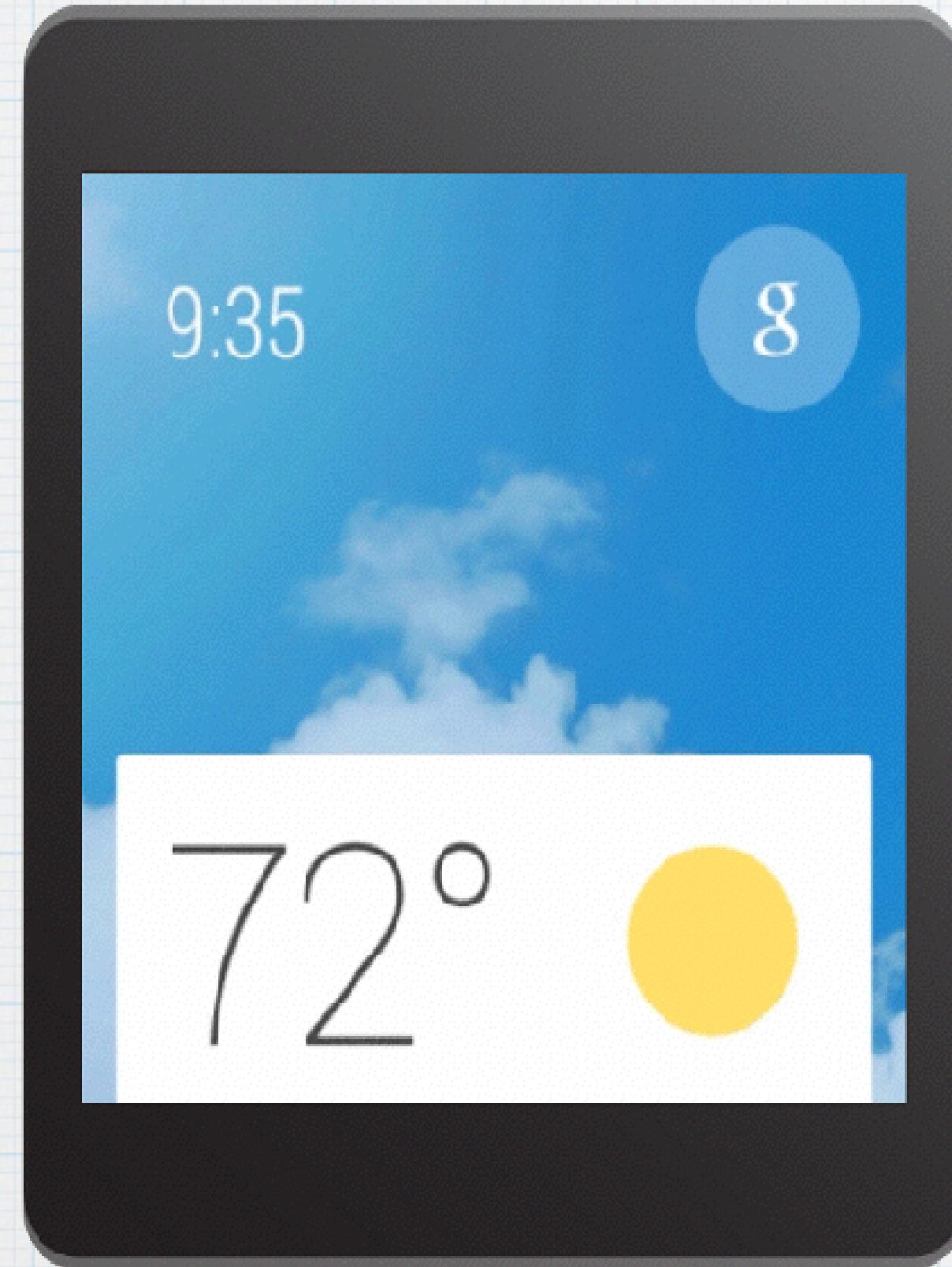
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Big names making watches  
What's next?

Brillo announced at Google I/O

# Be practical, Be considerate

- \* Bridged notifications → target Android 4.3, done
- \* Wear adds-on to apps, complements the phone
- \* Stay relevant and specific with time and location triggers
- \* Glanceable is short, sharp, immediate
- \* Zero to 2 touch interactions are simple, and fast
- \* Be helpful – anticipate, be efficient, respectful, & responsive

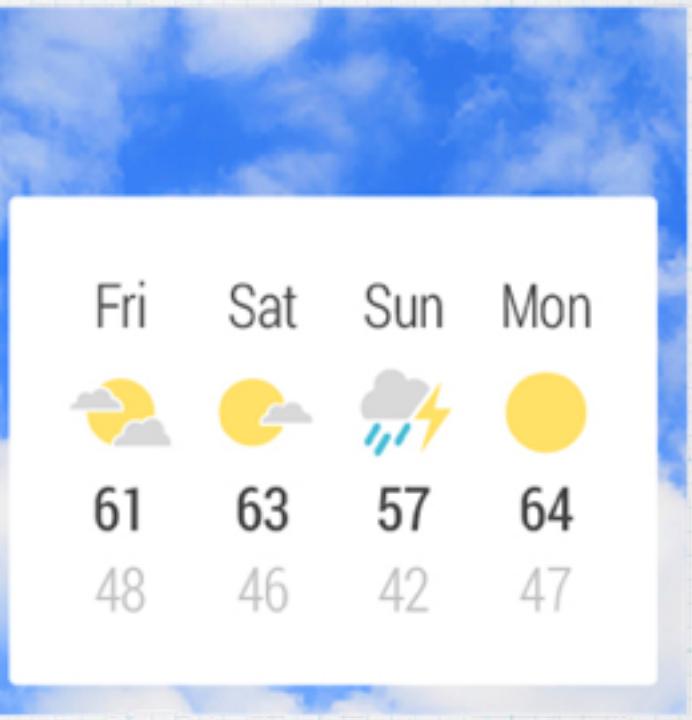
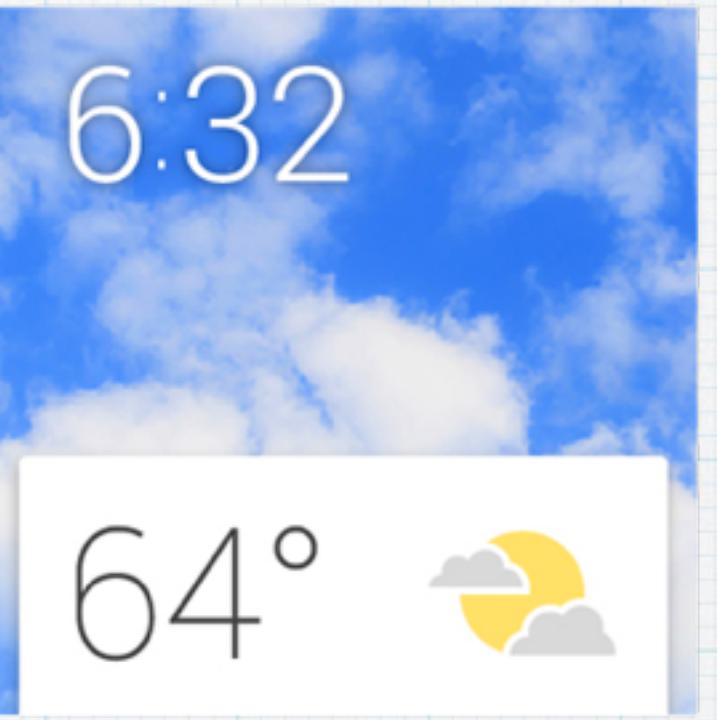


# What can it do?

\*OK Google\* Dick Tracy hangouts, sensor accesss – GPS & heart rate

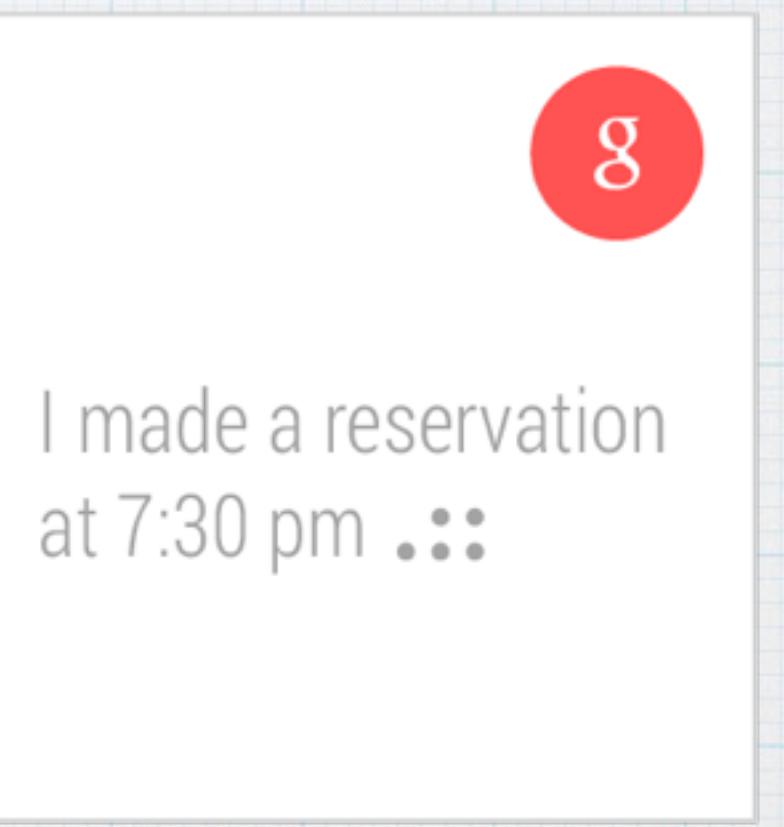
# More rules...

- \* Use context, meaning location and time
- \* Sensor data from the watch OR the phone can show at a glance
- \* Consider QS, what can be measured?  
Give meaning to that measurement
- \* Don't interrupt, assume the watch is muted
- \* A watch face without time - not much of the user's time...



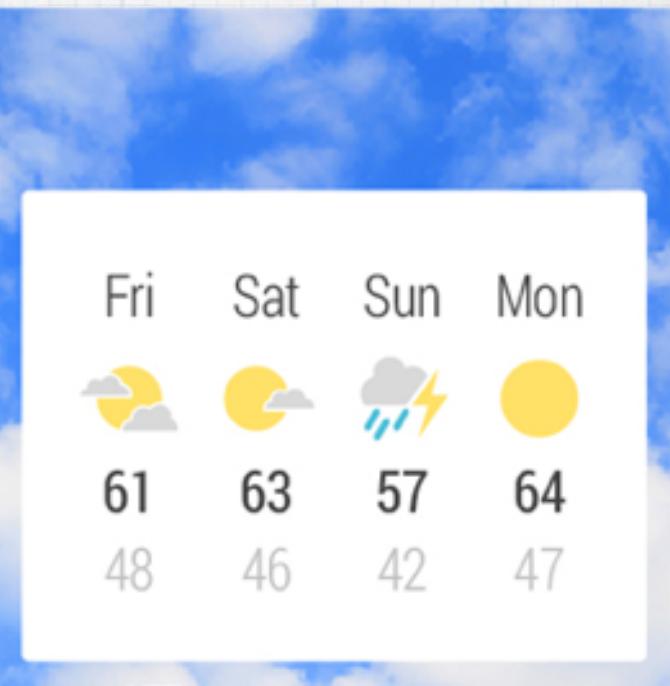
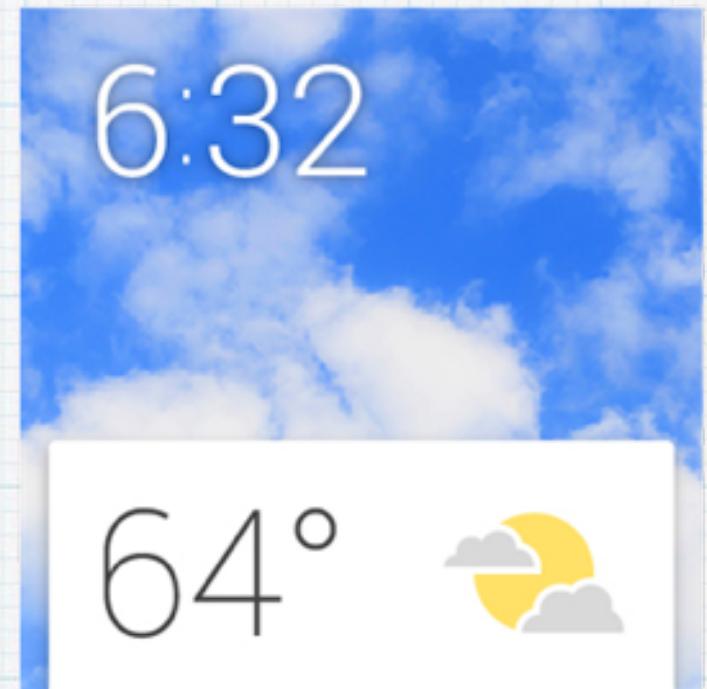
# 3 Types of App (for Wear)

1. Notifications, in-line responses (speech, tap)
2. On-Board Apps, local sensors, speech,  
usually end in a request to the phone
- 2.a. Watch Faces
3. Data sync, leverage on-board sensors  
...sync with the phone and or a desktop portal

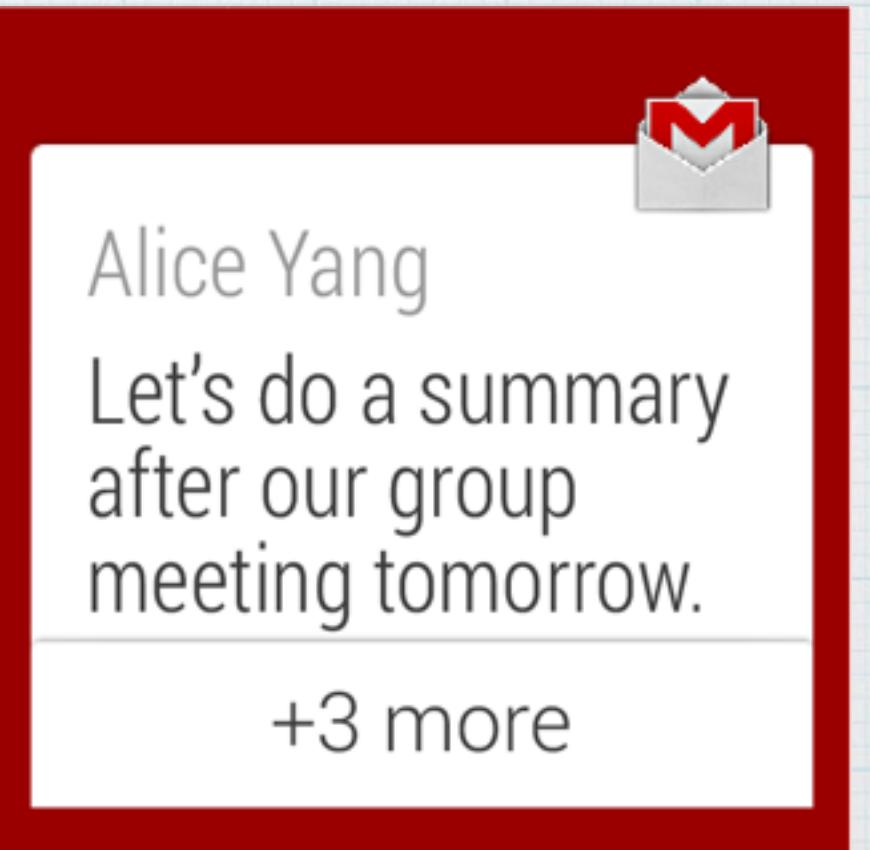


# Bridged Notifications

- \* NotificationCompat & NotificationManagerCompat
- \* WearableExtender for Action Cards (3)
- \* A “BigView” is a 2 parter, peek with pull up
- \* Hide the icon (make more room for text)
- \* RemoteInput & RemoteInput.Builder classes get speech
  - \* Notification responses get one interpretation
  - \* On-board apps get an array of possible text
  - \* Stacking aggregates -> setGroup creates a scroll



more text?



# Voice Actions



1. Declare “Start...” activity in the manifest
2. Get a ride ”OK Google, get me a taxi” (also call me a car)  
`com.google.android.gms.actions.RESERVE_TAXI_RESERVATION`
3. Take a note “OK Google, take a note”  
`android.intent.action.SEND` This action has a Category, text is sent in as Intent Extras  
`com.google.android.voicesearch.SEARCH_SELF_NOTE`, `android.content.Intent.EXTRA_TEXT`
4. Set alarm "OK Google, set an alarm for 8 AM"  
`android.intent.action.SET_ALARM`  
Extras for this action are not required, hour and minute integers
5. Set timer "Ok Google, set a timer for 10 minutes"  
`android.intent.action.SET_TIMER`  
An integer to tell the duration of the timer `android.provider.AlarmClock.EXTRA_LENGTH`



# Wear with Google Fit

## (more Voice Actions)

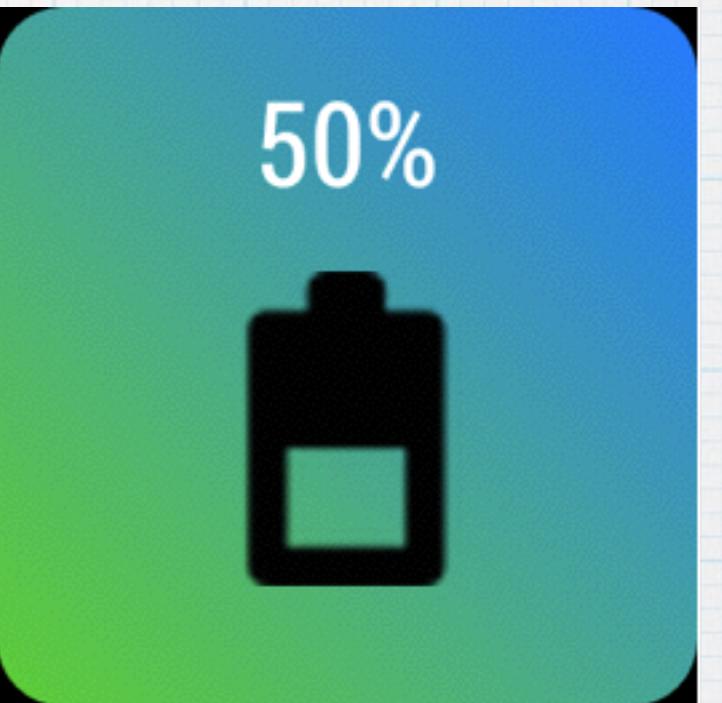
6. Start stopwatch "Ok Google, start stopwatch"  
`com.google.android.wearable.action.STOPWATCH`
7. Record Exercise "OK Google, start/stop cycling", running, cycling  
Action is `vnd.google.fitness.TRACK`, extra `ActiveActionStatus & CompletedActionStatus`
  - A. (Cycling Mime Type) `vnd.google.fitness.activity/biking`
  - B. (Running, Workout Mime Type) `vnd.google.fitness.activity/running ...other`
8. Show Heart Rate/Step Count "OK Google, what's my heart rate/step count?"  
Action is `vnd.google.fitness.VIEW`
  - A. `vnd.google.fitness.data_type/com.google.heart_rate.bpm` (Mime Types\*)
  - B. `vnd.google.fitness.data_type/com.google.step_count.cumulative`

# Home Screen Widgets

Live Widgets  
Collections Lists & Stacks, Shortcuts  
Part 2

# Demo?

- \* A completely new design and UX is required
- \* Not immersive, not interactive, apps time out
- \* Apps are using custom gestures for launch
- \* No webkit, print, backup, appwidget, usb classes



# Meter Widgets

Stanford Medical School intervention

Accelerometer data

Minutes of “mvpa” and “sedentary” hours

Resets @midnight

Always-on service

(Notice the beloved calendar next door)



# How to do it:

- \* Two classes and the methods to override...

1. **RemoteViewsFactory** - bind Collection data to widgets

- \* `getViewAt()` - inflate a layout
- \* `onDataSetChanged()` - show the collection

2. **AppWidgetProvider** - respond to the user, timed updates

- \* `onReceive()`, like any Broadcast Receiver
- \* `onUpdate()`, code runs on time, `updatePeriodMillis`

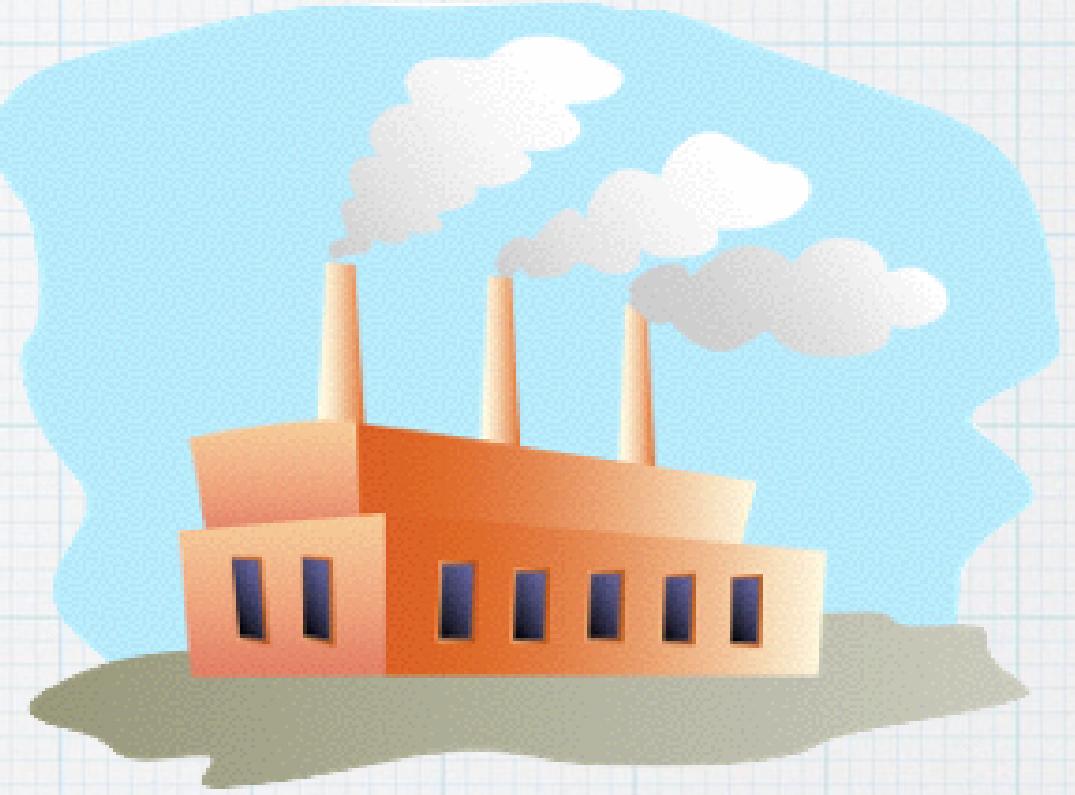
# Manifest.xml

- \* The Homescreen app gets a Widget's views from the Manifest
  1. **PROVIDER** Content provider, e.g. WeatherDataProvider
    - \* Binds a collection of data to the views of a widget
  2. **RECEIVER** - AppWidgetProvider class declaration, e.g. WeatherWidget
    - \* Set the intent filter action - APPWIDGET\_UPDATE
    - \* appwidget-provider xml file is meta-data with the content provider
  3. **SERVICE** - RemoteViewsFactory is a service, e.g. WeatherWidgetService
    - \* Set BIND\_REMOTEVIEW for the homescreen to see the data

```
<!-- The content provider serving the (fake) weather data -->  
1 <provider android:name=".weatherwidget.WeatherDataProvider"  
           android:authorities=".weatherwidget.provider" />  
  
<!-- The widget provider -->  
2 <receiver android:name=".weatherwidget.WeatherWidget">  
    <intent-filter>  
        <action android:name="android.appwidget.action.APPWIDGET_UPDATE" />  
    </intent-filter>  
  
    <!-- This specifies the widget provider info -->  
    <meta-data android:name="android.appwidget.provider"  
              android:resource="@xml/widgetinfo" />  
    </receiver>  
  
3 <!-- The service serving the RemoteViews to the collection widget -->  
    <service android:name=".weatherwidget.WeatherWidgetService"  
            android:permission="android.permission.BIND_REMOTEVIEWS"  
            android:exported="false" />
```

# #3 RemoteViewsService creates RemoteViewsFactory

- \* Override **OnCreate** to initialize
- \* Override **onDataSetChanged** to update the views
- \* Clean up in **OnDestroy**
- \* Examples are WeatherWidgetService, StackWidgetSvc



# List Adapter vs. Remote Views, getView vs. getViewAt

```
public RemoteViews getViewAt(int position) {  
    String city = "Unknown City"; int image_id = -1;  
    if(mCursor.moveToPosition(position)) {  
        city = mCursor.getString(mCursor.getColumnIndex(Columns.CITY));  
        final int imgColIndex = mCursor.getColumnIndex(Columns.IMAGE);  
        image_id = mCursor.getInt(imgColIndex);  
    }  
    RemoteViews rv = new RemoteViews(packageName,  
        position % 2 == 0 ? R.layout.item1 : R.layout.item2);  
    rv.setTextViewText(R.id.text, city);  
    rv.setImageResource(R.id.image, image_id);  
    rv.setOnClickFillInIntent(R.id.image, (new Intent())  
        .putExtra(EXTRA_CITY_ID, city));  
    return rv;  
}
```



# ACTION\_APPWIDGET\_UPDATE

#2

3 parts to onUpdate()

1. Tell the widget to get the views from the adapter  
**setRemoteAdapter(RemoteViewsService)**
2. Bind an action to the Widget Views  
**SetPendingIntentTemplate()**, the response to a view on the widget
3. Code a touch response on any collection item  
**SetOnClickPendingIntent()**, set an activity or broadcast action

# Pseudo-Code

```
@Override
```

```
public void onUpdate(Context ctx, AppWidgetManager appWidgetMgr, int[] appWidgetIds) {
```

```
    //set piece Soccer fans
```

```
    for (int i = 0; i < appWidgetIds.length; ++i) {
```

```
        appWidgetManager.updateAppWidget(appWidgetIds[i], rv);
```

```
    } //end for loop
```

```
    super.onUpdate(context, appWidgetManager, appWidgetIds);
```

```
} //end onUpdate
```

# WidgetProvider - 2 Intents

First, set the RemoteViews Service

```
Intent i = new Intent...
i.putExtra(AppWidgetManager.EXTRA_APPWIDGET_ID, appWidgetIds[i]);
i.setData(Uri.parse(i.toUri(Intent.URI_INTENT_SCHEME)));
RemoteViews rv = new RemoteViews...
rv.setRemoteAdapter(R.id.stack_view, i);
// Set the service and the empty view, if appropriate
rv.setEmptyView(R.id.stack_view, R.id.empty_stack_view);
```



# Intent 2 - fill in the blank

```
Intent viewItem = new Intent(context, ImageActivity.class);
rv.setPendingIntentTemplate(R.id.stack_view,
PendingIntent.getActivity(context, 0, viewItem,
PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT));
```

set on the widget

```
rv.setOnClickListener(PendingIntent.getActivity(context, 0, viewItem,
PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT));
```

set on the list/stack item

# AppWidgetProvider – touch it

```
public void onReceive(Context ctx, Intent intent) {  
    final String action = intent.getAction();  
  
    if(action.equals(REFRESH_ACTION)) {  
        //Button pressed, update temperatures  
  
    } else if(action.equals(CLICK_ACTION)) {  
        //Touch on list, display photo in activity  
    }  
}
```

Broadcast Receiver  
Set a pending intent on itself to fill in the blank



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# Wallpaper X

Live Wallpaper  
More Glanceable Experiences...  
Part 3

# History of the term

## \* UbiFit

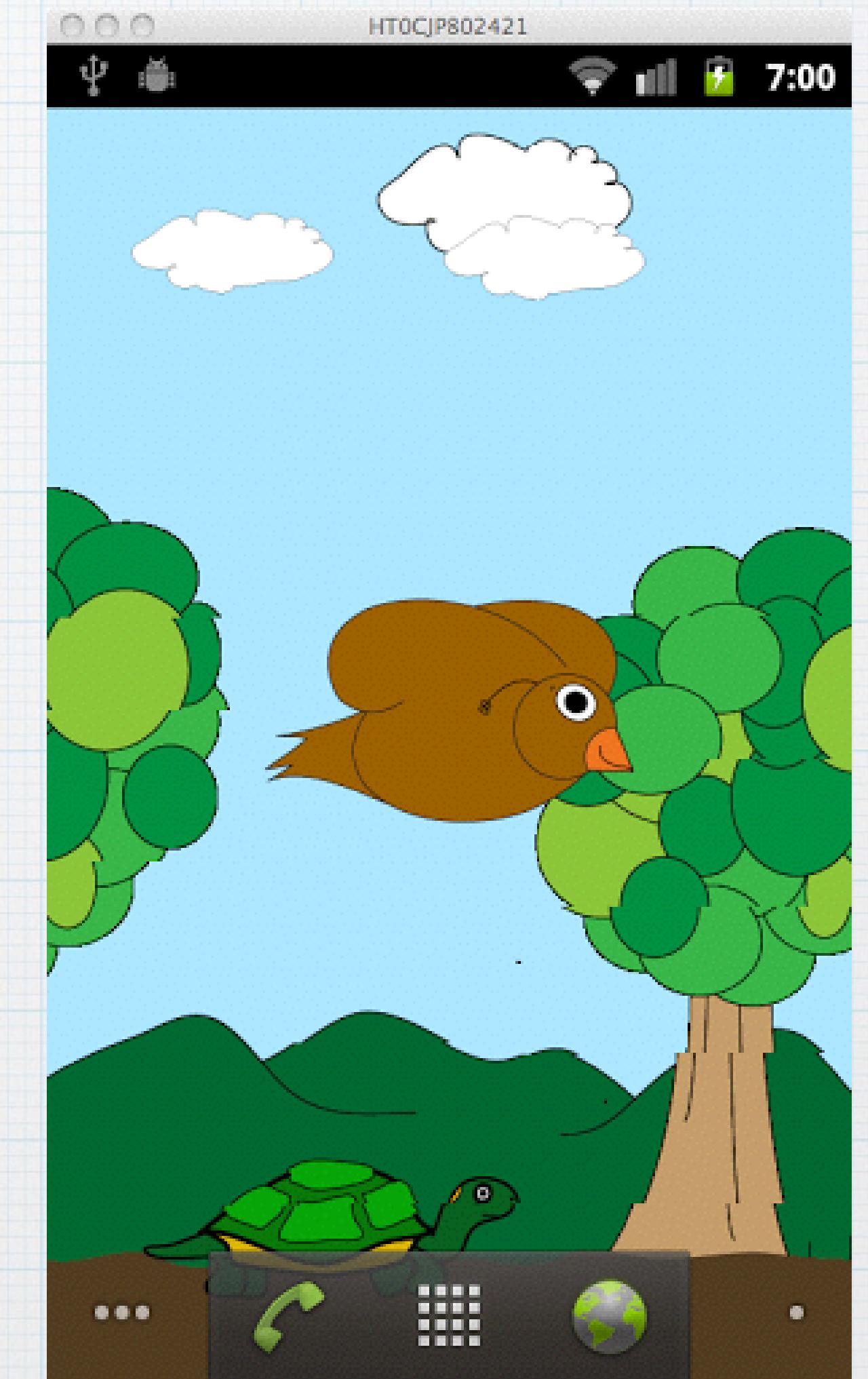
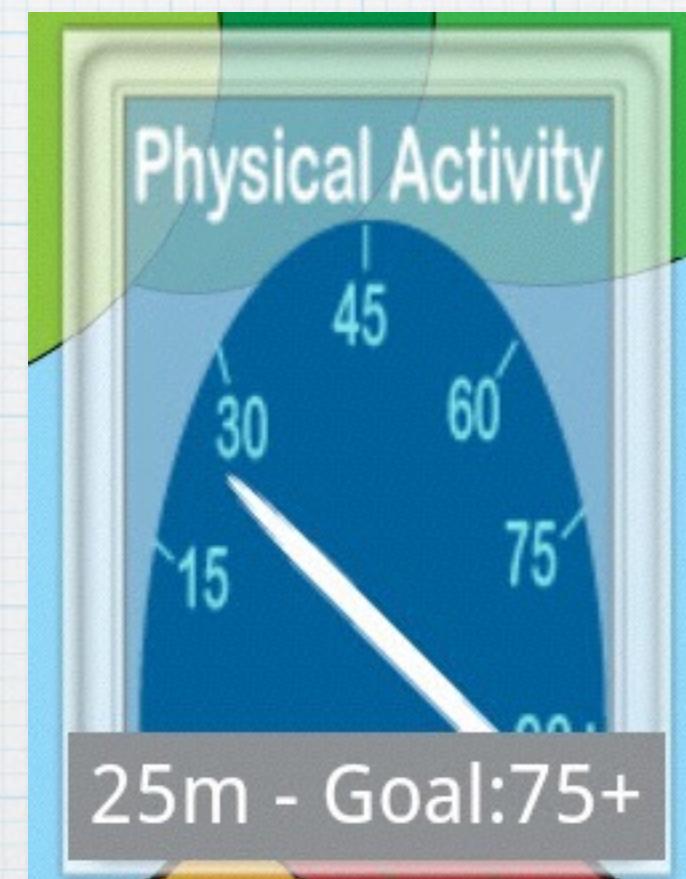
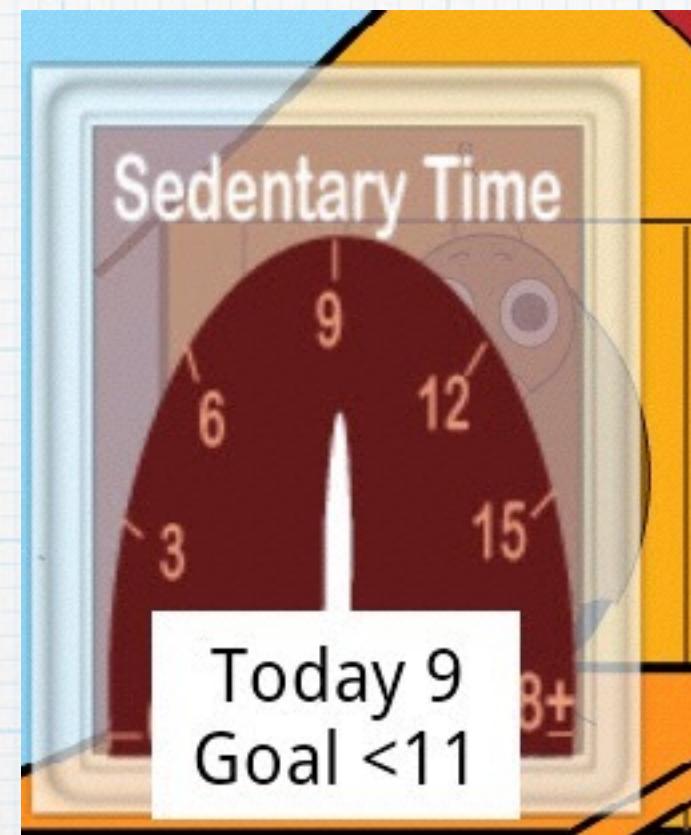
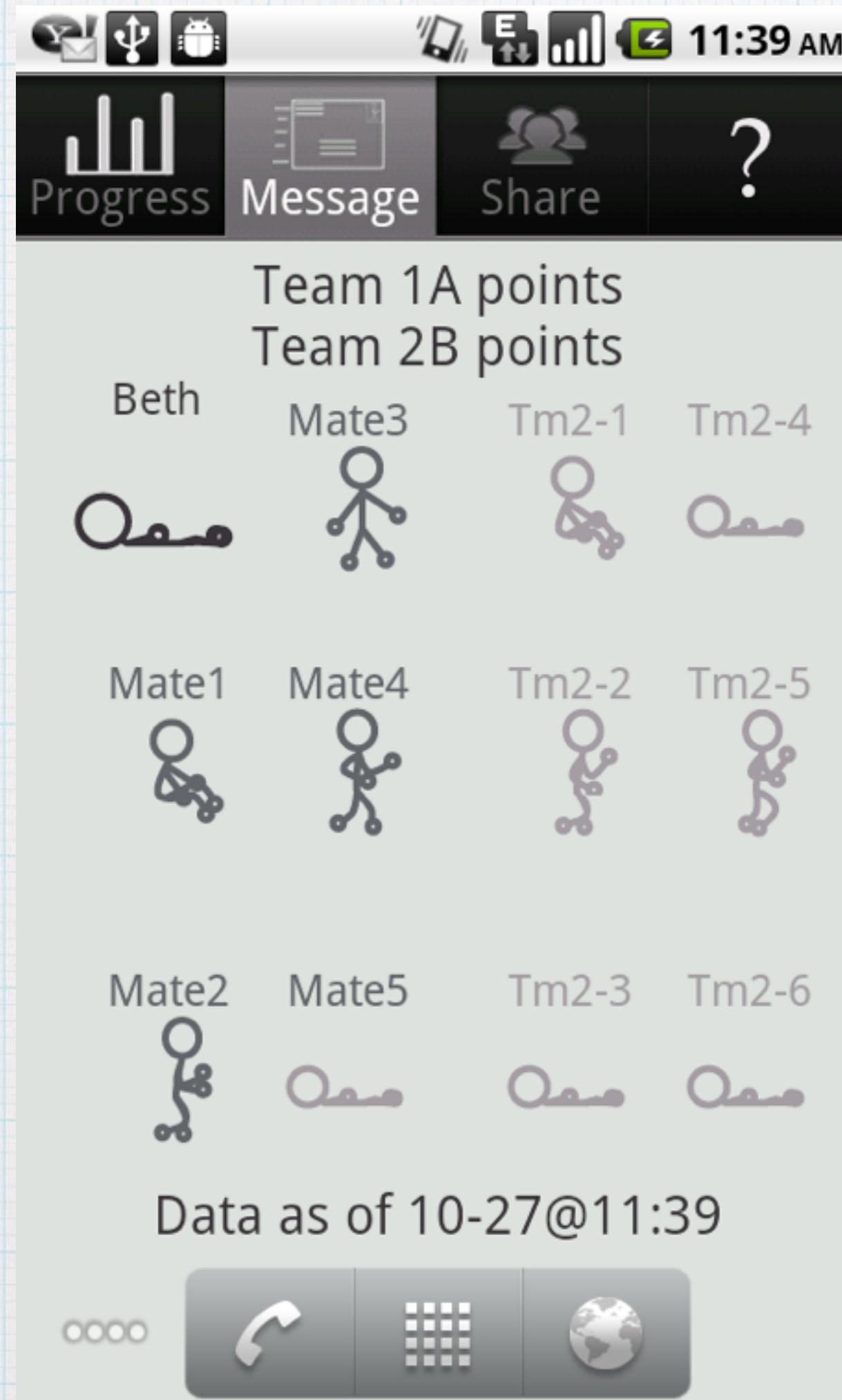
Intel & University of Washington.  
Low-cost sensing, A.I.  
Bio-feedback - be more active.  
Activity-based  
ubiquitous computing



# Their latest app – Sleep...

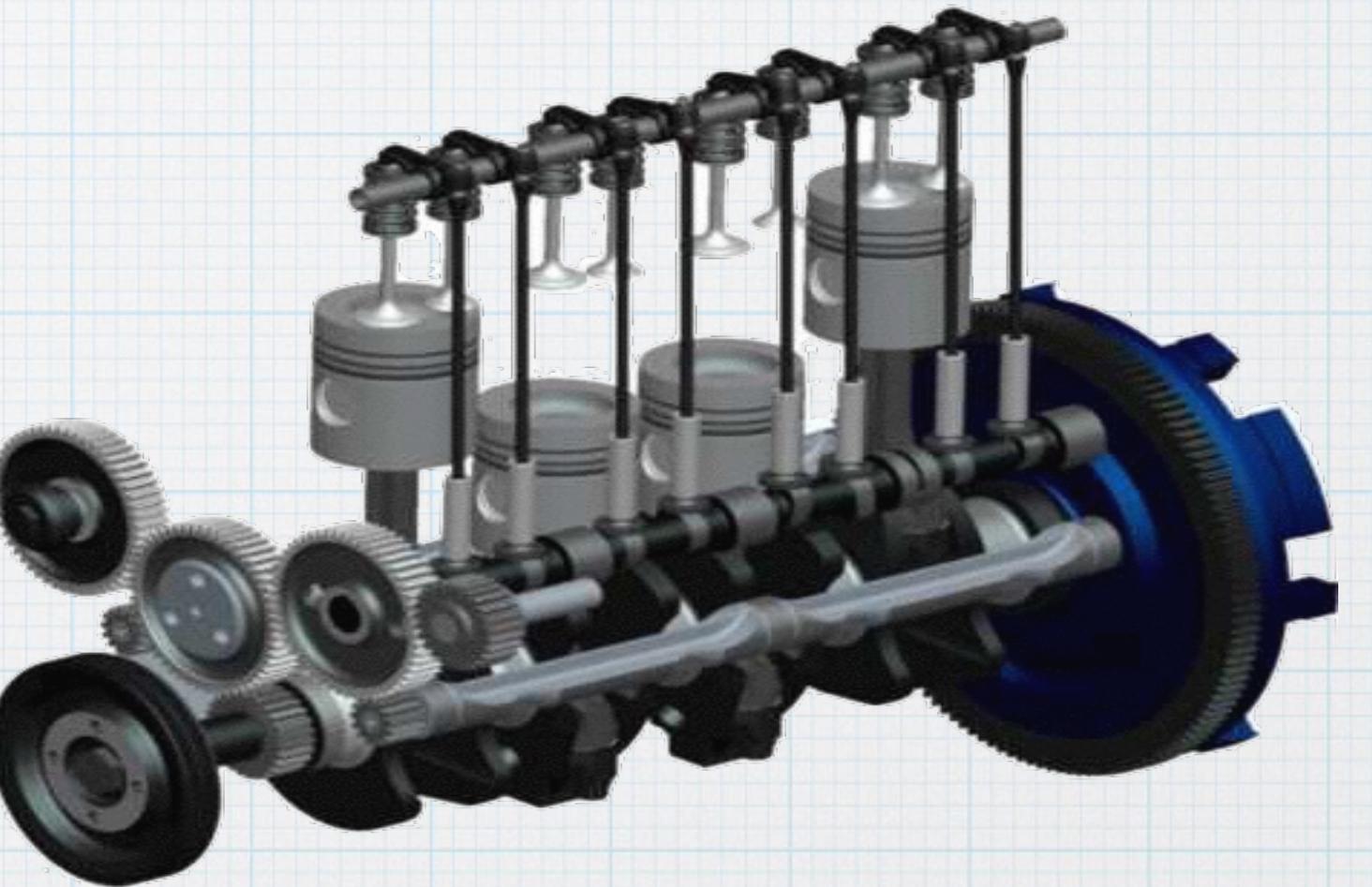


# MILES - Stanford Medical School



# How-To

- \* WallpaperService nests an Engine with `onCreateEngine()`
- \* Uses `postDelayed` on a Handler to draw, `Canvas` or `view.draw()`
  - \* `onOffsetsChanged()` - don't go there
  - \* `onVisibilityChanged()` - stop the Handler
  - \* `onSurfaceDestroyed()` - cleanup, exit
  - \* `onSurfaceChanged()` - first call to draw
  - \* `onTouchEvent()` - user interaction (careful!)



```

public class MyWallpaperService extends WallpaperService {
    @Override
    public Engine onCreateEngine() {
        return new MyWallpaperEngine();
    }

    class MyWallpaperEngine extends Engine {
        Handler handler = new Handler();
        Runnable drawRunner = new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                draw();
            }
        }; //end drawRunner

        public MyWallpaperEngine() { <constructor> }
        < Canvas drawing logic >
    } //end MyWallpaperEngine class

} //end service

```



```
@Override  
public void onVisibilityChanged(boolean visible) {  
  
    if(visible) {  
        drawRunner.run( );  
    } else {  
        handler.removeCallbacks(drawRunner);  
    }  
}
```



```

@Override
public void onTouchEvent(MotionEvent event) {
    //Each touch adds a circle
    //after some number, the list is cleared
    super.onTouchEvent(event);
    if(touchEnabled && event.getAction() ==
        MotionEvent.ACTION_UP) {
        int x = Float.valueOf(event.getX()).intValue();
        int y = Float.valueOf(event.getY()).intValue();
        if(reset) {
            mNumber = 1;
            reset = false;
            touches.clear();
        } else {
            mNumber +=1;
            touches.add(new TouchPoint(x, y));
        }
        Draw();
    }
}

```



**MotionEvent.ACTION\_UP, ACTION\_DOWN, ACTION\_MOVE, etc.**

# Links

- \* The MILES Study, Stanford University  
<http://med.stanford.edu/miles>
- \* MILES Apps, screen shot slide show, Mezcode site  
<https://sites.google.com/site/mezcocorp/apps/miles>
- \* Stanford results published  
<http://goo.gl/1ntS8n>
- \* Lars Vogel tutorial  
<http://goo.gl/TSguD>
- \* Mezcode, my portfolio site  
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