Human Interface Design

Design Principles

- Metaphors
- Direct manipulation
- Feedback
- User control
- Aesthetic integrity

- Consistency
- Perceived stability
- Managing complexity
- Modelessness
- Discoverability

Characteristics

- High performance
- Ease of use
- Attractive appearance
- Reliability

- Adaptability
- Interoperability
- Mobility

- Focus
- Communication

Downsides

- Screen
- Pointer
- Text input
- Processor, memory

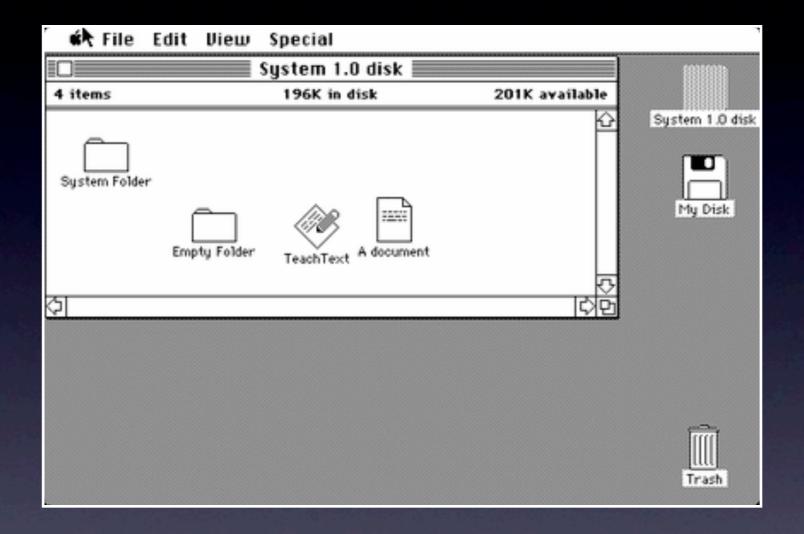
- Graphics
- Mobile device
- Storage
- New API

Advantages

- Multi-Touch
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- Exclusivity (modality)
- Simplicity, uniformity
- Hardware
- New API



Metaphors

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- Instructions for free
- Makes users happy
- Consistency

App Styles

- Productivity
- Utility
- Immersive (the iPhone metaphor)

Hardware

- Use it creatively
- Realize the difference between "creative" and "gimmicky"
- Get it right

iPhone-like

- Standard controls and icons
- Table views
- Custom views for new controls only



Consideration

- Reasonable tap targets
- Small footprint
- Forgiving
- Obey the mute switch
- Internationalization & localization

Homework

 Read Part I of the Apple Human Interface Guidelines (not the iPhone HIG)