MOBILE COMPUTING

CSE 40814/60814 Spring 2021



Today: Course Project Details

- Warm-up: couple of mini-projects to learn basics of mobile development
- ½-semester (group) project: project of your choosing
- If help needed identifying team members, let me know!
- Teams are expected to "produce more" than individuals!
- Project can align with your doctoral, MS, honor's thesis, or other projects (e.g., participation in coding competition), but this must be disclosed in proposal and approved by instructor!
- Collaboration among students/teams encouraged, but extend of collaboration must be disclosed in reports!

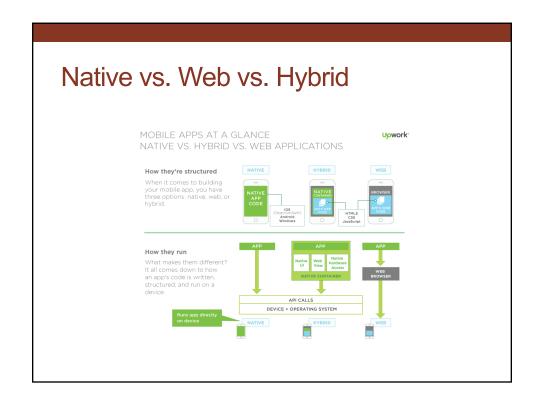
"Platforms"

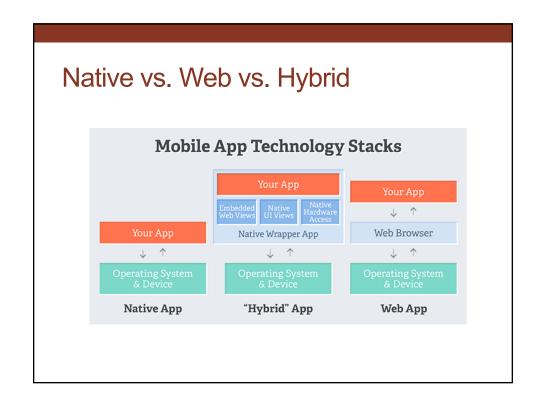


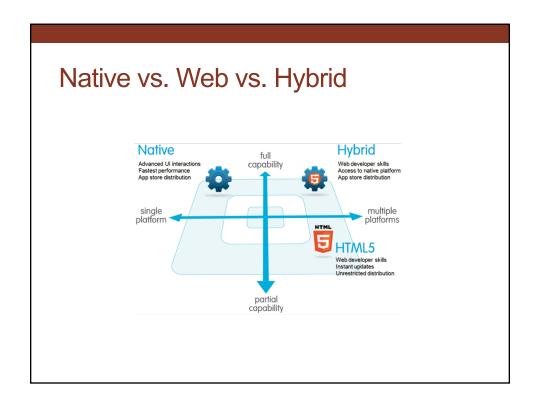
- Which platform to develop on?
- Answer: all of them!

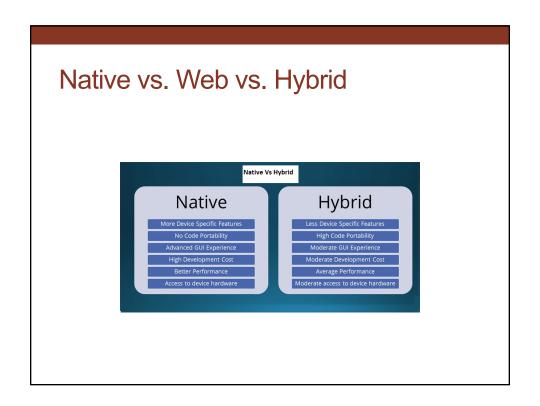
Native vs. Web vs. Hybrid

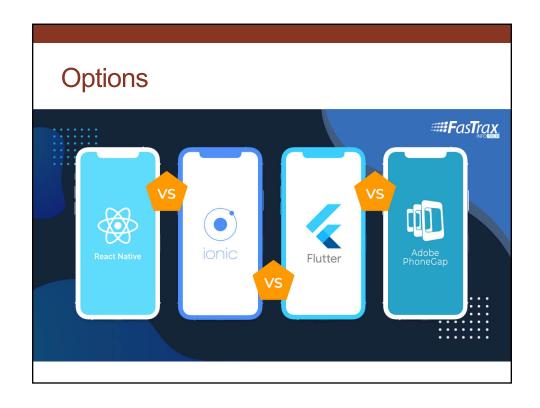


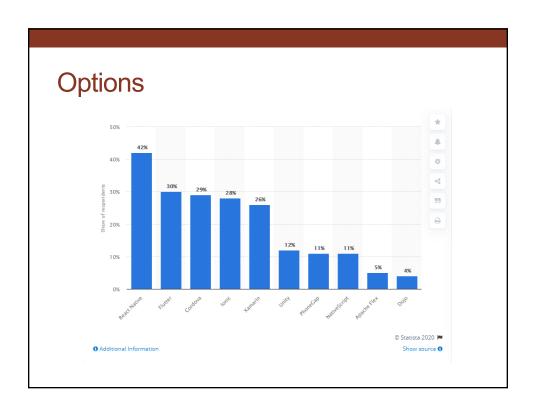












React Native

- Developed by Facebook, 2015
- Open-source JavaScript Programming Language
- · Low Development Time
- Support for Third-Party Libraries
- Mobile Environments Performance
- NPM for Installation
- Responsive UI/UX
- · Single Code Base
- React Native is UI-Focused
- Incorporate the functionality of other native apps

Ionic

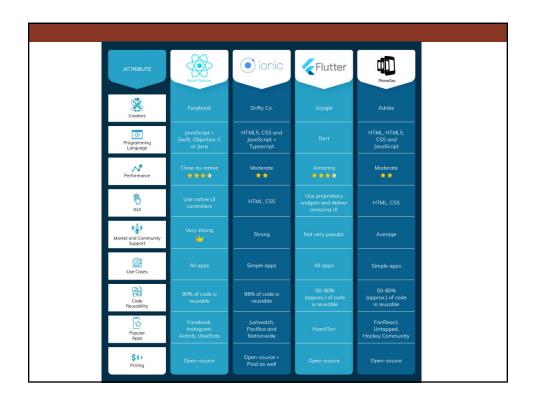
- Open-source SDK for cross-platform mobile app development, 2013
- 'Native Like' Framework
- Strong Ecosystem
- Based on Apache Cordova
- Low learning curve
- Default UI That Is Easy to Customize
- Strong Community Support

PhoneGap

- · Also known as 'Apache Cordova, 2010
- · CSS, HTML, and JavaScript
- Better Access to Native APIs
- · Flexibility using Web Technologies
- Robust Backend Support
- UI Libraries improving the User Interface
- Strong Community Base

Flutter

- Google, 2017
- Complete SDK
- Dart simple and effective language targeted at Java programmers
- High performance
- · Hot reload function for instantaneous updates
- · Ready-made and custom widgets for fast UI coding
- · Internationalization and accessibility



Flutter Overview



- Flutter is a free and open-source mobile UI framework
- Created by Google and released in May 2017
- Native mobile app with only one codebase (no need to develop different apps for different platforms)
- · High performance:
 - Dart compiles your code into native code
 - Flutter has its own widgets, avoids using OEM widgets (leads to reduced communication between app and platform, fewer compatibility issues, will work on future OS versions)
 - Hot reload
- Rapidly growing community of developers

Flutter Overview

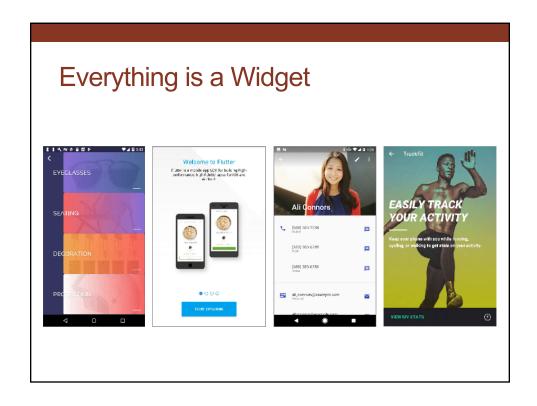


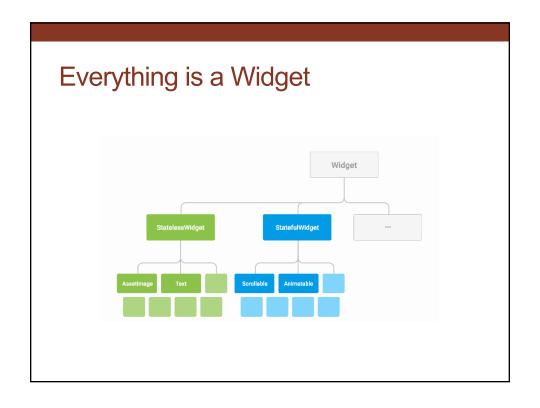
- Easy way to build elegant, native apps for Android and Apple iOS
- Dart is (relatively) easy to learn
- Plenty of examples for almost every situation on the web (Google search)
- Plenty of software tools and cloud tools available for free from Google
- · Good documentation and plenty of material on the web
- · You can see your code at work almost simultaneously

Flutter is Declarative

Dart async/await

Framework (Dart) Framework (Dart) Framework (Dart) Rendering Animation Painting Gestures Foundation Engine (C++) Skia Dart Text



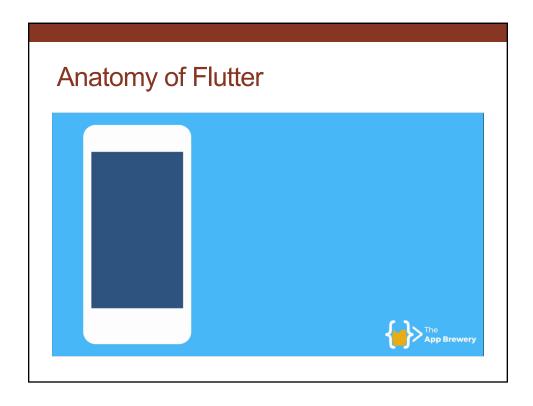


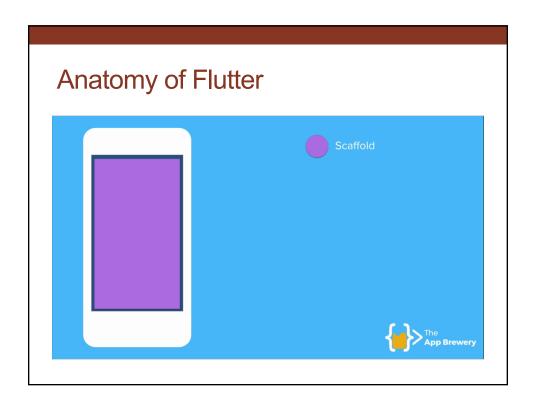
Stateless Widget

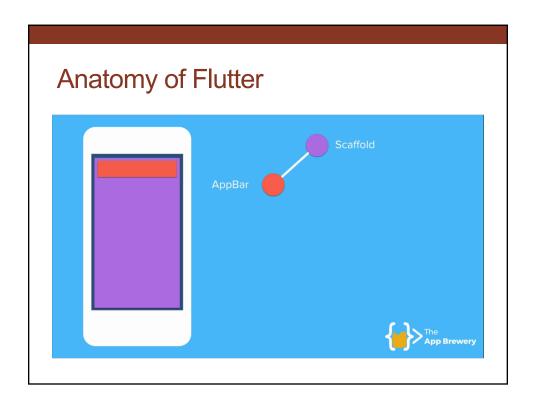
- Immutable
- Once created, it doesn't change

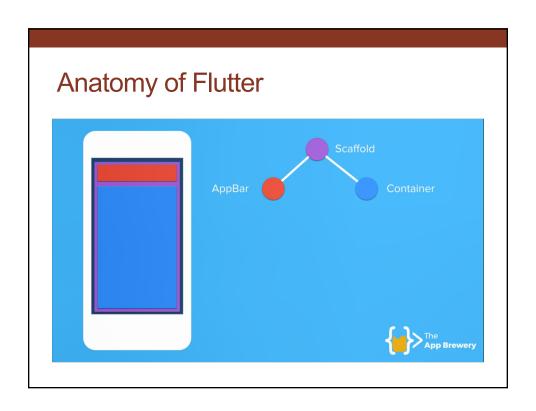
Stateful Widget

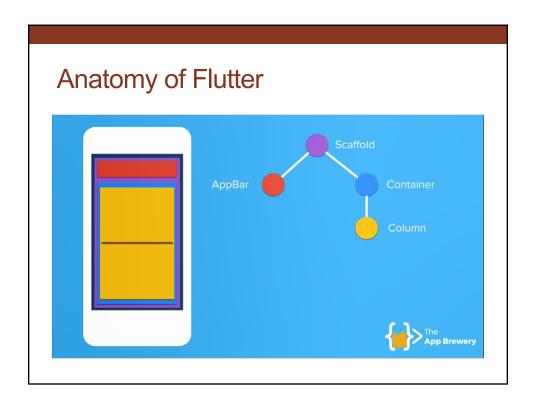
- Have a "State"
- State set of data held by a widget that can change in its lifetime

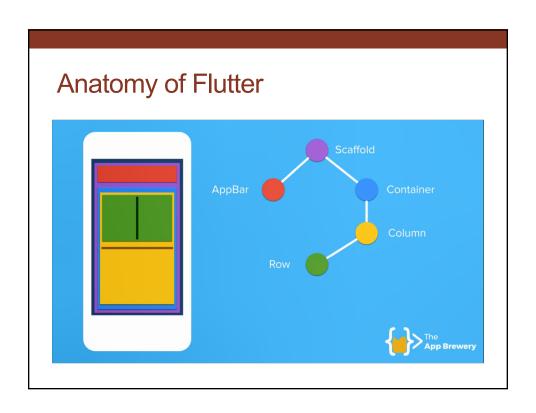


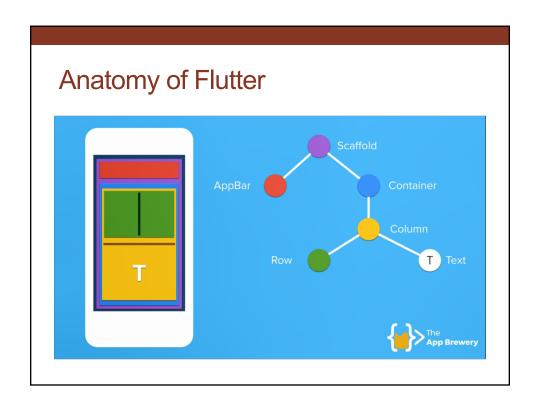


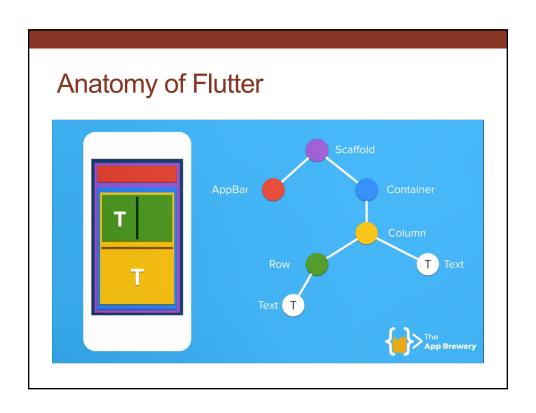


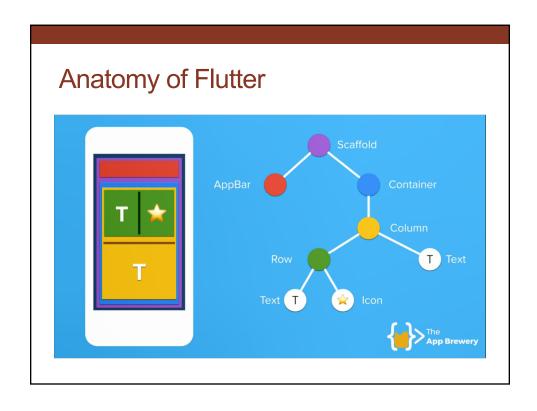


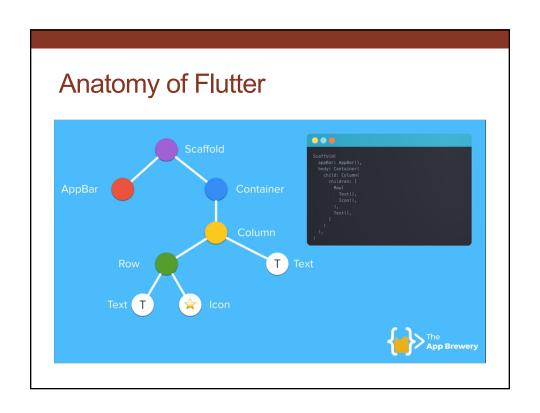












My First Flutter App

- · Install Flutter:
 - https://flutter.dev/docs/get-started/install
- Install your favorite editor:
 - https://flutter.dev/docs/get-started/editor?tab=vscode
- Test drive:
 - https://flutter.dev/docs/get-started/test-drive?tab=vscode
- · My first app:
 - https://flutter.dev/docs/get-started/codelab
- Optional readings:
 - https://flutter.dev/docs/get-started/learn-more

My First Flutter App

- · Deliverable:
 - Submit brief video (< 30 seconds) of your app in action (emulator or device) via Sakai
 - Submit brief document (max. 1 page, pdf), stating your name, people you worked with (and how), and describe any aspects of this project that caused you unusual difficulties (if appropriate); also describe if the project is incomplete or faulty (provide specifics about why you weren't able to complete the assignment)
 - Deadline: 2/17 11.59pm EST

Final Project

- Build upon your code from the mini projects to develop a complete mobile app that solves a problem of your choosing
- Project should have, at least, three "significant" features that go beyond what you developed for the mini projects

Potential Project Features

- Camera, microphone
- Accelerometer, gyroscope, barometer, magnetometer, ...
- · Social media
- Back-end integration
- · Networking/communication features, NFC/RFID
- Push notifications
- · Input/output features; control of objects; etc.
- Location-awareness
- Touch, swipe, etc., interface
- · Account management, sign up, log in
- Mobile payment
- Build/re-design new hardware; 3D print
- · Augmented reality, virtual reality
- Exploits various senses
- Third-party frameworks, libraries, services, features, ...
- ...

Project Structure

- Project proposal
- 2 written progress reports
 - · Reports can also be used to adjust proposal if needed
- · Final report, delivered with code
- Brief in-class demo/presentation of project

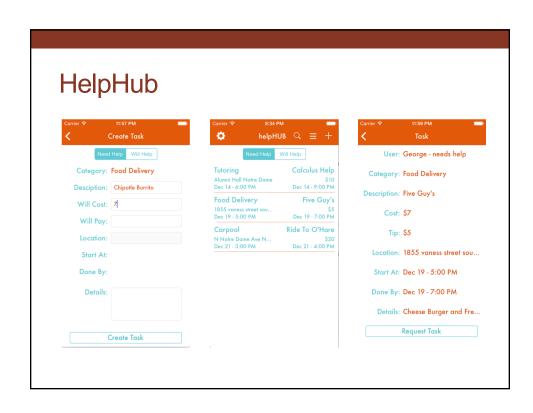
Project Samples

 The following slides show examples from previous years' courses on Mobile Computing, Pervasive Computing, Smart Health, etc. (so not examples are purely software and none of them was built using Flutter!)

Biometrics Sensing

- Electrocardiography
- Electromyography
- · Galvanic skin response
- Blood pressure
- Body position
- Air flow
- Temperature
- Blood sugar





BlitzPool

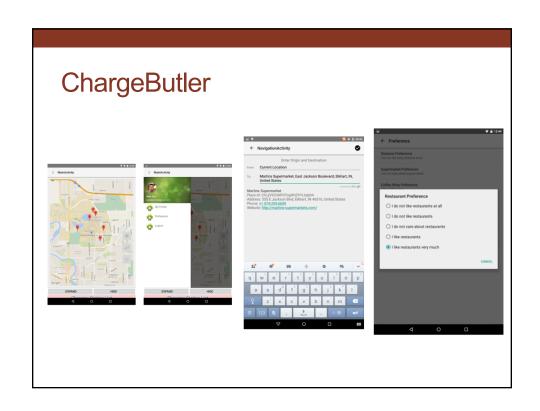
- Game engine
- Physics libraries
- Real-time features
- Game center



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• https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KxeTRTN0t10



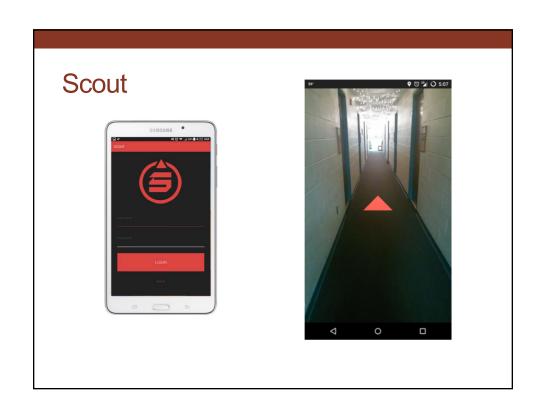


Pen Pal

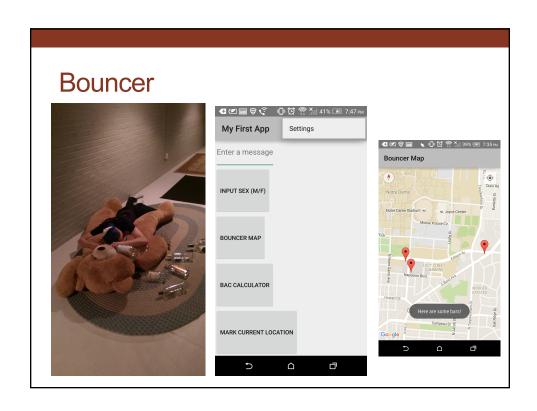
Anonymous communication anytime based on location and/or interest.

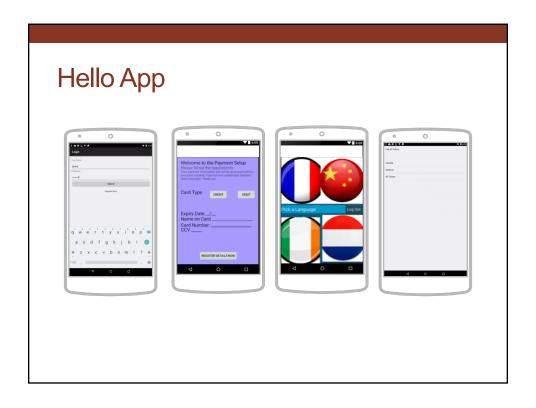


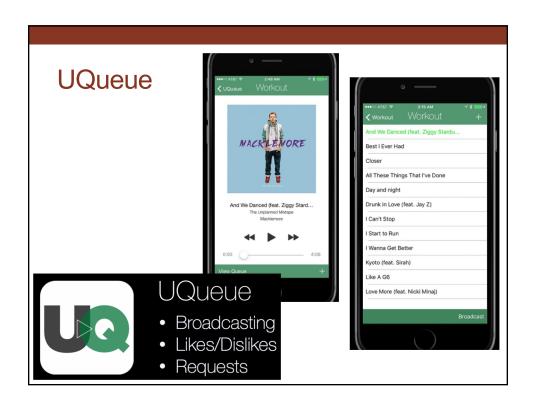


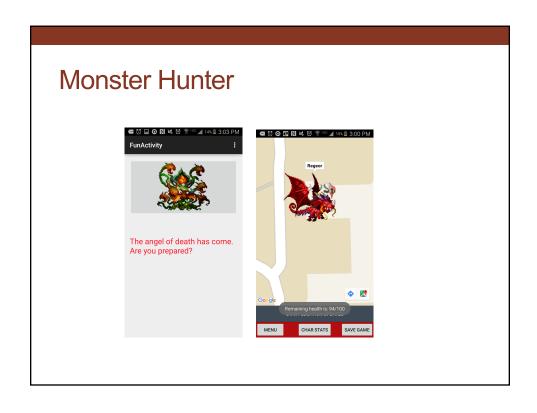




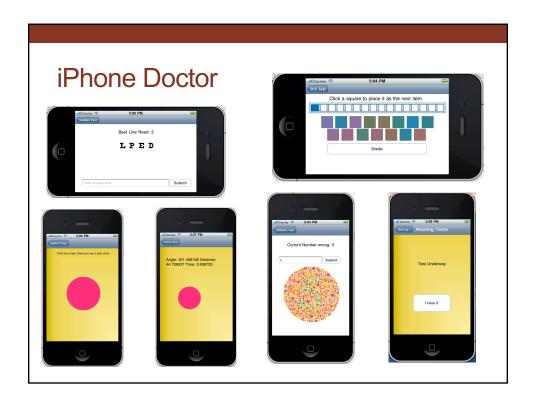














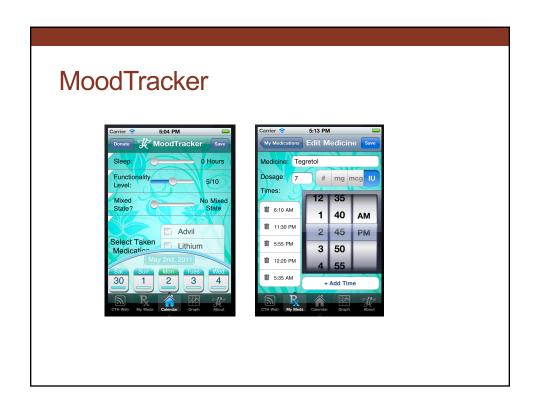
Data Visualization

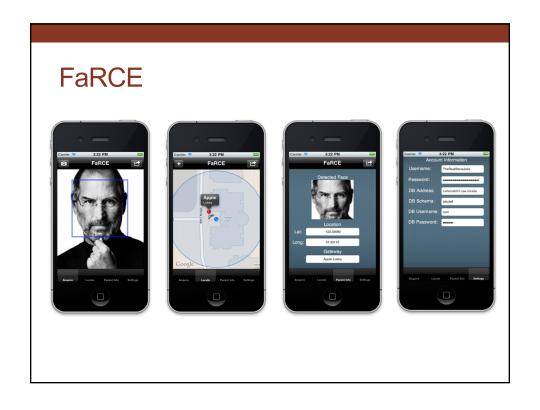


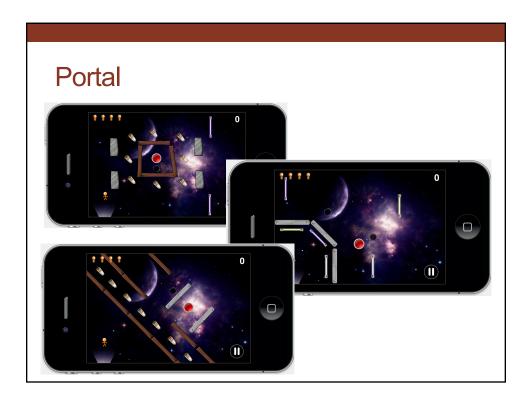
MedAlert for Doctors











RideAlong

Solution: RideAlong

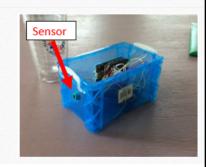
- Ride-sharing app specific to Notre Dame
- Can directly connect students who have cars with students who do not have cars
 - o More specific than the Notre Dame Facebook groups
 - o More likely to be used for shorter trips (e.g. to the store, rather than only to the airport)
- Students can both offer and request rides



De-Icing Sensors

Automatic Infrared Temperature Sensors

- Long Range IR Temp. Measurements (30ft)
- Low Cost
- Accurate
- Real Time Monitoring





Other Projects

- Book Club
- Parking Space Finder
- Movie Finder
- Pick Up Sports Organizer
- LYNX Taxi Service
- Hearing Assessment App
- MySquirrel
- Occupational Therapy Exercises
- Stress Detector
- SnapnSpray
- Twext: Learning Betwixt Texts

That's it for today...

Next up: Mobile app development, tools, best practices

