

Penn Engineering **ESE**

Work on preclass.
Lecture starts 4:35pm

Lecture #1 - Course Introduction / Intro to Digital Audio

ESE 150 – DIGITAL AUDIO BASICS

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LECTURE TOPICS

- × **History & Motivation**
 - + Computing and Digital Audio
- × **Overview of Class Schedule**
 - + Big picture of our class goals
- × **Course Introduction / Goals of Class**
 - + Syllabus; Laboratory; Grading
- × **Course Content Overview**
 - + Week by week breakdown of class itself
- × **Summary**

HISTORY & MOTIVATION

- History & Motivation
- Short Story / Overview
- Course Introduction
- Learning Styles
- Long Story / Intro to Sound
- Summary

POLL

- × **How many of you:**
 - + have cell phone ?
 - + use GPS?
- × **How do you obtain music?**
- × **Communicate with friends outside of school?**
 - + Voice phone, e-mail, text message, facebook, skype?
- × **Where do you go to find answers?**
 - + Google, wikipedia

CHANGING WORLD

Moore's Law – The number of transistors on integrated circuit chips (1971-2018)

Moore's law describes the empirical regularity that the number of transistors on integrated circuits doubles approximately every two years. This advancement is important in other aspects of technological progress – such as processing speed or the price of electronic products – are linked to Moore's law.

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Moore%27s_Law_Transistor_Count_1971-2018.png

- × **Moore's Law:** Every 18 months, size of transistor halved
 - + Who cares?
 - × In same area, can fit twice as many transistors, twice the computing power!
 - × Also, generally: if you make a transistor smaller, it gets a bit faster
 - × ...up to a point...

CHANGING WORLD

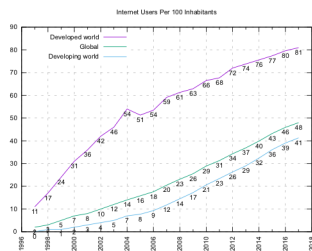
Moore's Law

Internet Grew

Internet Hosts Count

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CONNECTING THE WORLD



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IN YOUR LIFETIME...

- × 1998: Google, PayPal, First commercial MP3 player
- × 2001: iPod, Wikipedia launched
- × 2002: Go Pro launched
- × 2003: iTunes launched, Skype released, Tesla launched
- × 2004: Facebook launched
- × 2005: YouTube launched
- × 2006: Twitter launched, DJI launched
- × 2007: iPhone introduced, Hulu launched, Netflix add video streaming
- × 2008: Bitcoin, Spotify
- × 2009: Venmo
- × 2010: Instagram
- × 2011: Siri, Snapchat, Google driverless cars, Uber
- × 2012: Makerbot Replicator, Tinder launched
- × 2013: Google Glass
- × 2014: Amazon Alexa
- × 2015: iWatch
- × 2016: AirPods, Pokemon Go
- × 2017: Tik Tok
- × 2019: Disney+, Apple+

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COOL STUFF OF TODAY...

- × Today's "must have" technology is:
 - + computerized, networked, and based on digital media
 - × Cell phones
 - × MP3 players (Digital Audio Players)
 - + Internet enabled
 - × Digital cameras and video recorders (part of phones!)
 - × Realistic Video Games
 - × Integrated (e.g. iPhone, iPad)
 - × DVRs (e.g. TiVo)
 - × E-book readers (e.g. Kindle)
 - × 3D printers (e.g. Makerbot)
 - + Circuit Scribe – draw actual circuits, electric ink!
 - + Replicator...
 - × Augmented Reality (e.g. Jedi Challenge, Pokemon-Go)
 - + Holodeck...
- What else add to this list?

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WHAT MAKES US SAFER, LIVE LONGER?

- × **Transportation**
 - + Anti-lock brakes
 - + Traction control
 - + Blind-side assist
- × **Watch over**
 - + Security cameras
 - + Baby monitors
- × **Medical Devices**
 - + Ultrasound
 - + MRI
 - + DNA sequencing
 - + Pacemakers

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WHAT DO THESE THINGS INVOLVE?

- × **Computation**
- × **Communications**
- × **Hardware**
- × **Substantial software**
- × → **Products of Computer Engineers**

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CHANGING WORLD: SMALL WORLD

- × **Ubiquitous Internet**
 - + This changed everything
 - + Smartphone let us carry Internet with us
- × **Facebook**
 - + Allowed us instantly find anyone!
 - + United the world in many ways



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CHANGING WORLD: EASY SHARING

- × Easy Instant sharing and storage
- × Photos, videos, writing
- × Web, Facebook, Youtube, Blogs
- × Backed up, Cloud
- × Accessible anywhere in the world
- × Indexed and searchable
- × Can carry it with you

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CHANGING WORLD: INSTANT GRATIFICATION

- × **Search engines**
 - + Instant access to knowledge
- × **iTunes/Spotify**
 - + Instant access to music/casts/apps/video too
- × **Streaming video**
 - + Instant access to video/news/visual information
 - + Internet services/Netflix/Hulu/YouTube/On-Demand/etc.
- × **Amazon.com**
 - + Instant access to nearly any product, ~drone delivery!

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CHANGING WORLD: NEW WEALTH, NEW PLAYERS

- × **Microsoft founded 1975**
 - + World's richest man... for a while
- × **Apple founded 1976**
 - + Highest valued company
- × **Oracle 1977**
- × **CISCO 1984**
- × **NVIDIA 1993**
- × **Amazon.com 1994**
 - + New world's richest man...
- × **E-Bay 1995**
- × **Google, Netflix, PayPal 1998**
- × **Tesla 2003**
- × **Facebook 2004**
- × **Twitter 2006**
- × **Bitcoin 2008**
- × **Venmo 2009**

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CONVERGENCE

- × **Big Ideas and Advanced Technology**
 - + Digitize Everything
 - + Cheap Digital Processing
 - + Cheap Storage
 - + Cheap Digital Bandwidth
- × **Driven by Moore's Law**
 - + Store and compute more bits per \$\$

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ENABLED BY VISIONARY ENGINEERS

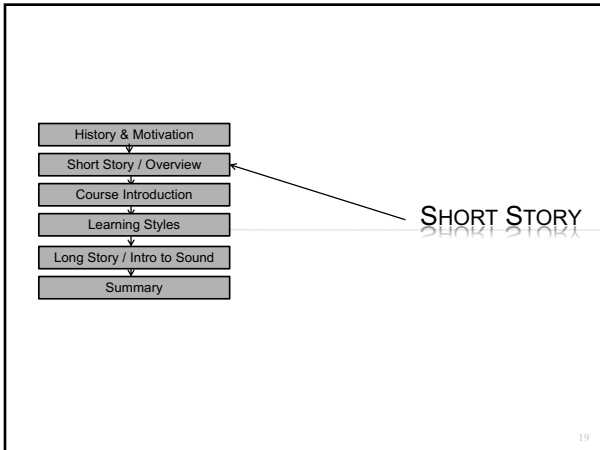
- × **Hard work, inspiration, and competition**
 - + ...would not have just happened
 - + Certain applications/products tie many things together
 - × No one realized facebook/music would be "killer app" for smartphone revolution
- × **Most inconceivable just prior**
 - + Compare how archaic the "future" looks in most movies just 20 years old
- × **What's next?**
- × **How can we harness to make the world better?**

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BEFORE GOING ON... MINI-QUIZ:

- × **What is a bit (a Binary Digit)?**
 - + Smallest piece of information we can store (on/off)
 - + Indicates true or false
- × **How many bits in a byte?**
 - + 8
- × **Bytes in a Kilobyte?**
 - + $2^{10} \times 1 \text{ byte} = 1024 \text{ bytes}$
- × **Bytes in a Megabyte?**
 - + $2^{10} \times 1\text{KB} = 1,048,576 \text{ bytes}$
- × **Bytes in a Gigabyte?**
 - + $2^{10} \times 1\text{MB} = 1,073,741,824 \text{ bytes}$
- × **How many bits to store a typical song?**

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VIRTUALIZATION OF THE WORLD

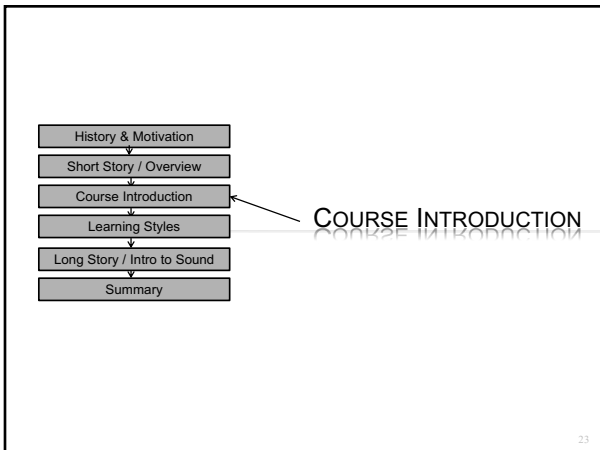
- ✦ Can represent things as bits
 - + sound, pictures, movies
 - + location, situation, ...
 - + shapes, circuits, drugs, DNA
- ✦ Cheap/powerful ways to automatically manipulate
 - + ...and reproduce

CLASS STORY: ONE SLIDE

- ✦ Sound can be converted to/from bits
 - + and compressed, without loss of information
- ✦ More information can be discarded without humans noticing → fewer bits
- ✦ Process this information with inexpensive machines
 - + Store it for retrieval
- ✦ Send it between machines
 - + Even if not directly connected

COURSE MAP

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ABOUT THE COURSE

ESE150

Compression,
MP3s,
Psychoacoustics, and
Everything

- ✦ ESE 150: Digital Audio Basics
 - + But really: "Introduction to Computer Engineering"
- ✦ Our Goals:
 - + Give you broad context for Computer Engineering
 - ✦ Each lecture full course on later; 13 different courses!
 - + Expose you to the *big* topics in Computer Engineering
 - ✦ You won't like them all...but you will probably love 1 or 2!
 - ✦ Help you figure out which path in Comp. Eng. to take
 - + Use digital audio as common theme between lectures
 - ✦ This information goes way beyond digital audio
 - + Tie theory to practice ("feel-the-bits") through a weekly lab
 - ✦ To see concepts discussed in lecture in a lab environment
 - ✦ Labs are not perfect, connections sometimes not obvious at first
 - ✦ You might think lab is "stand-alone" - not really true!

MECHANICS OF THE CLASS

- × **Wednesday: Lecture**
 - + Introduce concepts (theory)
 - + Help paint the big picture
- × **Monday: Lab**
 - + Put theory into practice
 - + Apply 1 big concept in real world
 - × Many concepts may appear in lecture...
 - × One will be put to use in guise of digital audio in the lab
 - + Work in teams of 2
 - + Individual lab report write-ups
- × **Friday: Lab Report due**
 - + (except formal one – Sunday, and final one...)

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LECTURE TIMELINE

- × **4:25pm – target to setup, have preclass available**
 - + Start working on preclass as you arrive
- × **4:35pm – start lecture**
- × **5:55pm – end lecture**
 - + Need to leave earlier, go ahead.

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GRADING

- × **10% - Class Participation and Quizzes (if necessary)**
 - + Based on assigned reading material
- × **50% - Weekly Lab Report Writeup**
 - + Work in groups of 2 (we assign and mix up week-to-week)
 - + Some labs may have "prelab" work to do – counted as part of lab writeup
 - + Drop lowest score on attempted labs.
- × **20% - Formal Lab Report**
- × **5% - Midterm Exam**
 - + Warmup for final
- × **15% - Final Exam**
 - + Based on reading material, lecture material, lab work
- × **Read web page for policies**
 - + Not hard, but must show up, engage, do the work

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COMPONENTS

- × **Lecture slides online morning of lecture**
- × **Big Idea – 1p'er for every lecture**
- × **Reading**
- × **Preclass – available beginning (ideally 4:25pm)**
 - + Work through to get you thinking about the topic
 - + ...and gives you some of the questions will ask in lecture
 - + Won't be available later, online → get them in lecture
- × **"Warm" Calls**
 - + Promote interaction/engagement
- × **Feedback sheets**
 - + Turn in at end of lecture
 - + Help me tune lecture for class

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CLASS GOALS

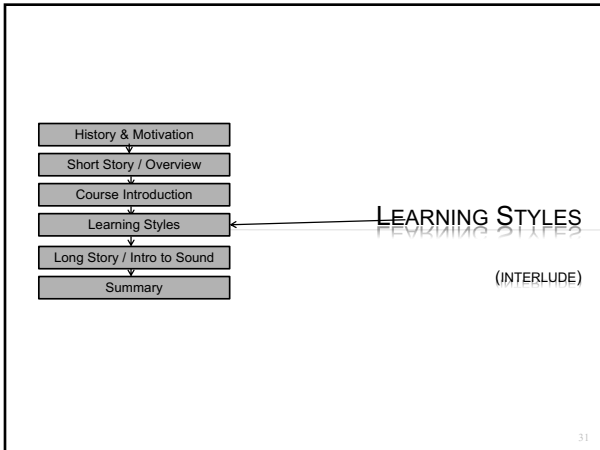
- × **Context and motivation for CMPE major**
- × **Appreciate how CMPE, EE, CSCI, SSE:**
 - + Work together
 - + How they impact today's world
- × **Start thinking like an engineer!**

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OUTCOMES

- × **Able to conduct experiments**
 - + Psychoacoustic, network, hardware
- × **Able to optimize information encoding**
- × **Able to design file system for multiple views**
- × **Able to quantify quality vs. size tradeoffs in audio**
- × **Able to use oscilloscope, matlab, arduino**
- × **Able to write formal lab report**
- × **Understand role of Intellectual Property**
- × **Appreciate User Interface design**
- × **Understand technology enables new capabilities**

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HOW DO PEOPLE COME OUT?

- × **Create Histogram**
- × **How I came out...**
- × **Count numbers by students:**
 - + Bin: 9+, 8-4, 3-1, 0, 1-3, 4-8, 9+
- × **Histograms:**
 - + Active/Reflective
 - + Sensing/Intuitive
 - + Visual/Verbal
 - + Sequential/Global

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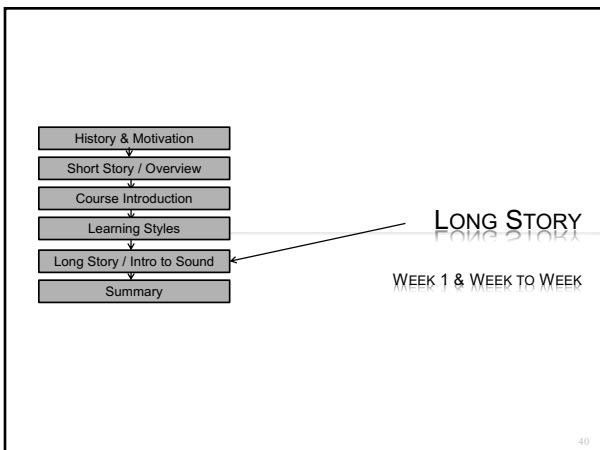
DIMENSIONS

- × **Active (ACT) vs. Reflective (REF)**
 - + Doing vs. thinking
- × **Sensing (SEN) vs. Intuitive (INT)**
 - + Facts and methods vs. abstractions and innovation
- × **Visual (VIS) vs. Verbal (VRB)**
 - + Pictures, diagrams vs. descriptions
- × **Sequential (SEQ) vs. Global (GLO)**
 - + Linear steps vs. context and connections

See reading link on syllabus.

AWARE OF DIFFERENCES

- × **Differences among people**
- × **Differences between faculty and students?**
 - + Claim college courses are biased toward:
 - × Reflective, intuitive, verbal, sequential
- × **This course:**
 - + Active, sensing?, visual, global
- × **Read explanation**
 - + Being aware and how to cope useful for navigating all your courses at Penn



WEEK 1: INTRODUCTION TO SOUND

- × **Sound is a pressure wave**

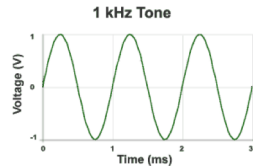
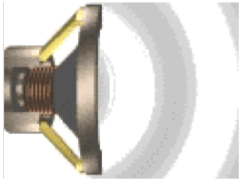
<http://www.archive.org/details/SoundWavesAn>

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WEEK 1: INTRODUCTION TO SOUND WAVES

Cycle = 1 iteration of sine wave
Hertz (Hz) = 1 cycle per second

1kHz = 1000 cycles/s



Source: <http://www.mediacollege.com/audio/01/sound-waves.html>

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WEEK 1: PRESSURE TO VOLTAGE

- Microphones convert pressure to voltage
 - (speakers/headphones voltage to pressure)
 - Physical position to voltage

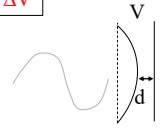
$$\Delta d \rightarrow \Delta C \rightarrow \Delta V$$

- Reason as parallel plate capacitor
 - ESE 112 or PHYS 151

$$C = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$$

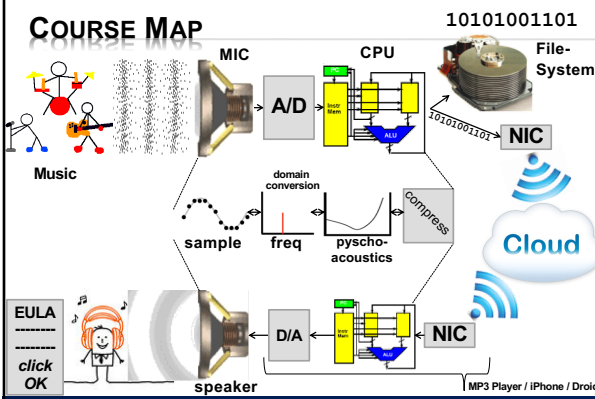
$$Q = CV$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{C}$$



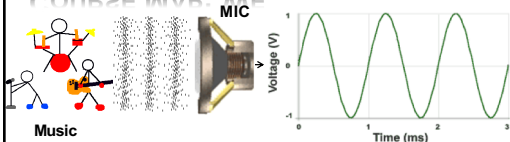
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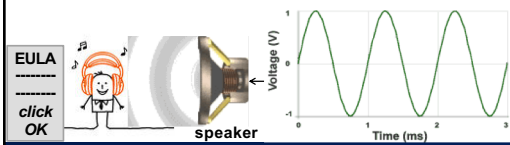


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COURSE MAP: WEEK 1

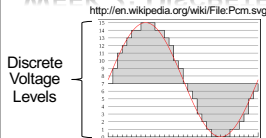


you will do this in first lab!



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WEEK 2: DISCRETE SAMPLING

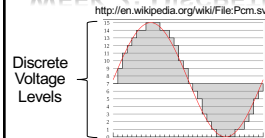


http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Compact_disc.svg

- Voltages can be sampled discretely
 - Both in time and amplitude
- How many bits to represent one of 16 discrete values?
- In general: 1 of N discrete values?
- Alternately: B bit number can represent how many things?

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WEEK 2: DISCRETE SAMPLING



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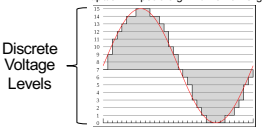
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- In general: 1 of N discrete values?
- Alternately: B bit number can represent how many things?
- $N=2^B$

$$B = \lceil \log_2(N) \rceil$$


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WEEK 2: DISCRETE SAMPLING

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Pcm.svg>



Discrete Voltage Levels



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Compact_disc.svg

- × Voltages can be sampled discretely
 - Both in time and amplitude
- × Can turn sound wave into sequence of bits
 - 0111 1001 1011 1100 1101 1110 1110 1111 1111 ...
- × What precision do we need?
 - Compact Disks: 16bits at 44KHz
 - How many bits is a typical 3-minute song?

$$\left(44,000 \frac{\text{samples}}{1 \text{ sec}}\right) \left(16 \frac{\text{bits}}{\text{sample}}\right) \left(60 \frac{\text{sec}}{1 \text{ min}}\right) \left(3 \frac{\text{min}}{\text{song}}\right) = 126,720,000 \frac{\text{bits}}{\text{song}}$$

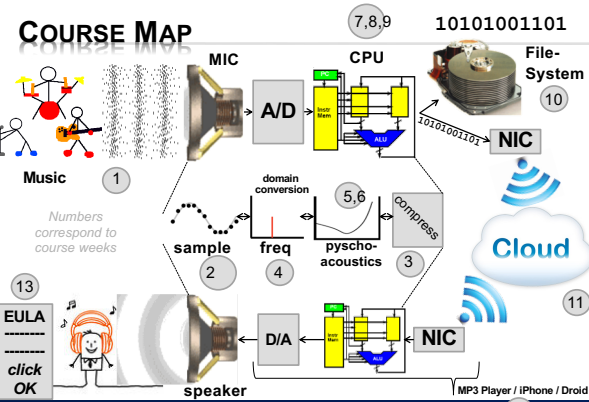
$$= 15,840,000 \frac{\text{bytes}}{\text{song}} = 15.1 \frac{\text{MB}}{\text{song}}$$

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Music (1)

sample (2)

freq (4)

domain conversion (5,6)

psycho-acoustics (3)

compress

Cloud (11)

File-System (10)

NIC

CPU

A/D

MIC

speaker

D/A

NIC

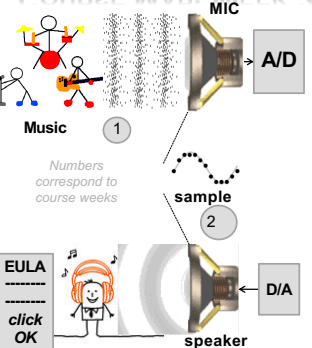
MP3 Player / iPhone / Droid (12)

EULA (13)

click OK

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COURSE MAP: WEEK 2



Music (1)

sample (2)

speaker

D/A


EULA (13)

click OK

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DIGITAL STORAGE (WEEK 10)

- × Record bits to non-volatile memory
 - + Store and reproduce sound
- × Media: CD, Hard Disk, Flash



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Compact_disc.svg

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Hard_disk_platters_and_head.jpg

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CALCULATING CAPACITY

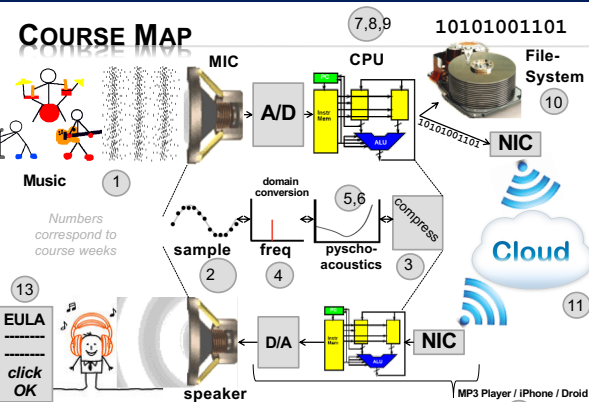
- × How many songs can we fit on a CD?
 - + How many MB can a CD hold?
 - × 650 MB (for Data)
 - × About 780 MB (for Audio)
 - + If 3 minute song = 15.1 MB...
 - × 1 minute audio ~ 5.04MB
 - × But, we record in stereo: (R/L)
 - × 5.04 MB x 2 = 10.07 MB per minute
 - × 780 MB / 10.0 MB per minute ~ 78 minutes
- × How much memory does your phone (MP3 player) have?
 - + Given unit of information to store, we can architecture storage!

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Music (1)

sample (2)

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domain conversion (5,6)

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MP3 Player / iPhone / Droid (12)

EULA (13)

click OK

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COURSE MAP: WEEK 10

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MIC → A/D → File-System (10)

Music (1)
Numbers correspond to course weeks

sample (2)

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WEEK 3: LOSSLESS COMPRESSION

Relative Frequency (in percent)

Letter

enables: Kindle to store 1500 books in 2GB, SMS text

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:English-sif2.PNG>

- * Statistics of data allow compression
- * If all symbols (characters, voltages) aren't equally likely,
 - + Can assign shorter bit sequences to most common cases
 - + and reduce bits required to store or transmit!
- * Famous Example of statistical storage: Morse Code:
- * THE = — ••••• • = 6 symbols (not 18 as you might expect)

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COURSE MAP

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NIC (11)

Cloud

speaker (2)

D/A

MP3 Player / iPhone / Droid (2)

EULA (13)

click OK (13)

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COURSE MAP: WEEK 3

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MIC → A/D → sample (2)

Music (1)
Numbers correspond to course weeks

File-System (10)

compress (3)

speaker (2)

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TIME-FREQUENCY CONVERSION

- * There are other ways to represent

How does the musical staff representation of sound differ from time samples?

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WEEK 4: TIME-FREQUENCY CONVERSION

- * There are other ways to represent
 - + Frequency representation particularly efficient

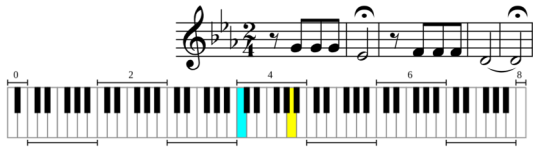
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Frequencies in Hertz

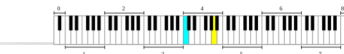
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TIME-FREQUENCY CONVERSION

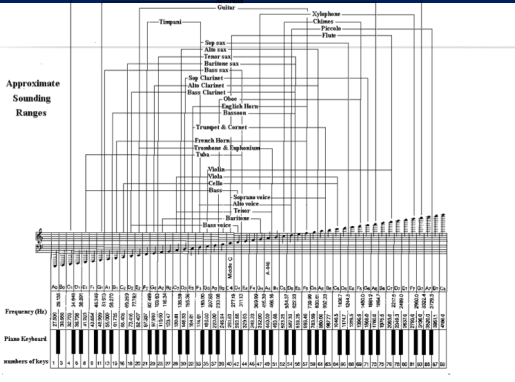
- × 1s / quarter note → 10s of sound
 - + 44K Hz x 16b/sample x 10s = 7040K = 7Mbits
- × How many keys on piano?
 - + (7b/note+8b/duration) x 7 note = 105 bits?



AlwaysAngry: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:%3APiano_Frequencies.svg

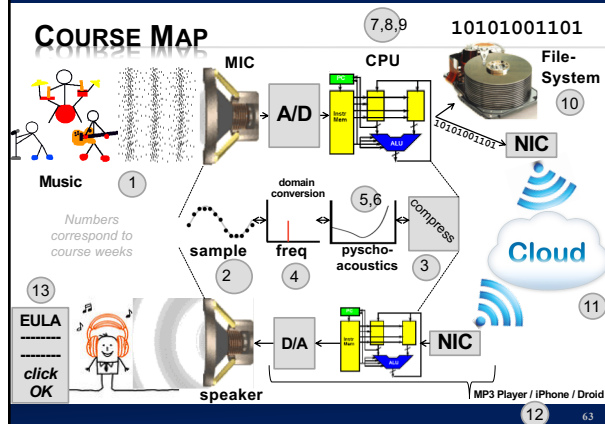


Hamburg Steinway D-274 Piano photo by Karl Kunde
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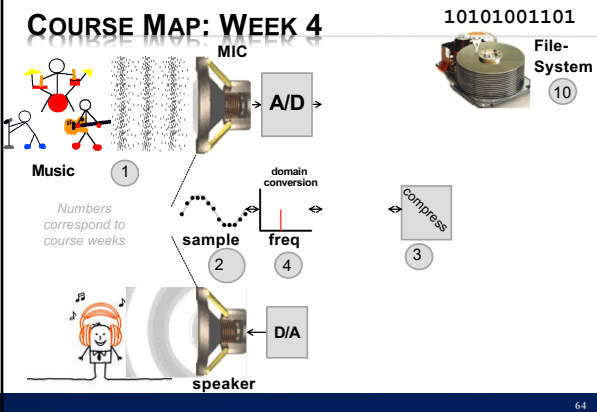


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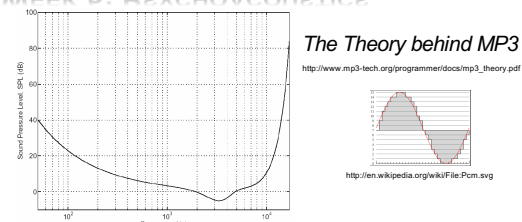
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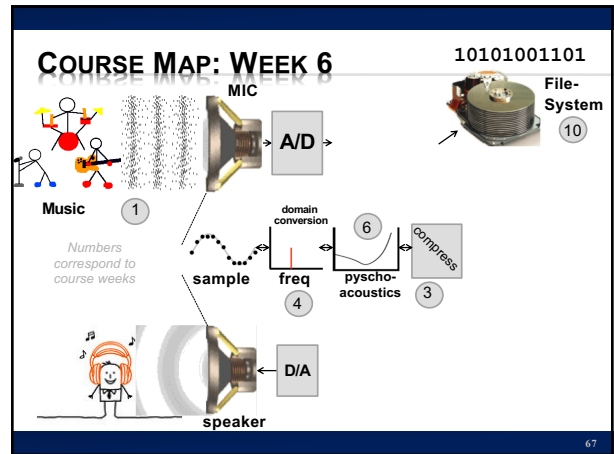
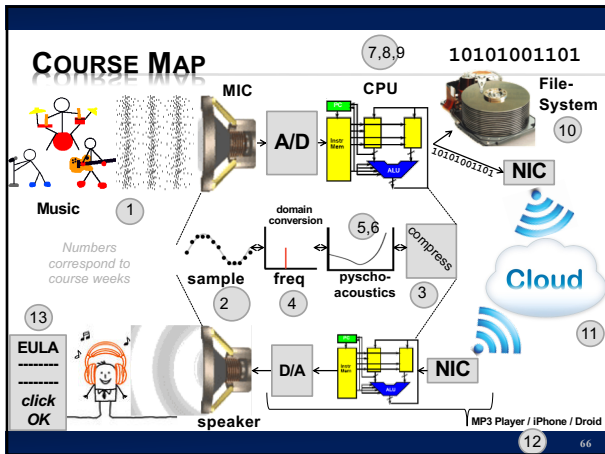


WEEK 5: PSYCHOACOUSTICS



The Theory behind MP3
http://www.mp3-tech.org/programmer/docs/mp3_theory.pdf
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Pcm.svg>

- × Human input apparatus is limited
- × If we only care about human perception
 - + ...that reduces the information needed (reduces samples/sec)
- × Limited maximum frequency

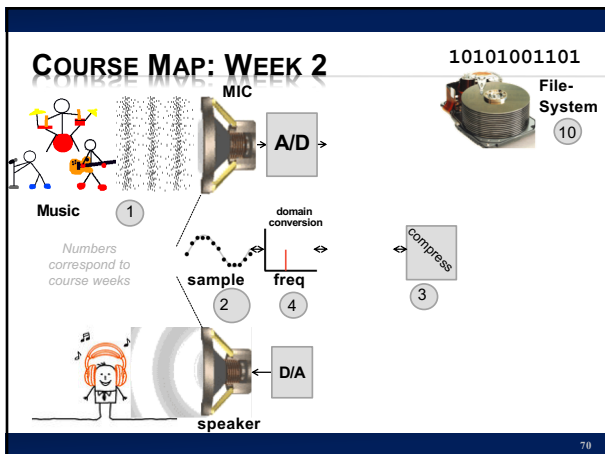
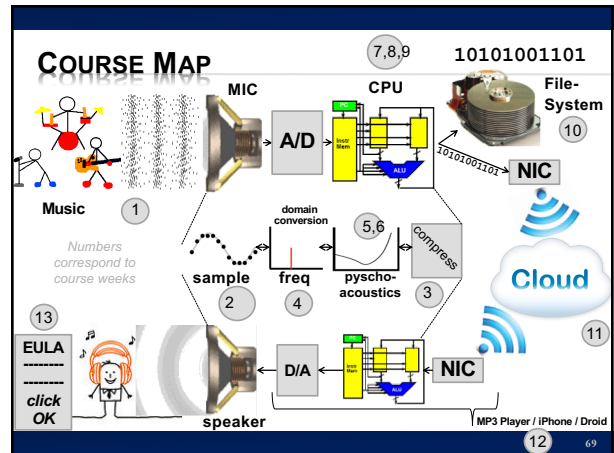


WEEK 2: NYQUIST-SHANNON

- ✦ **Sampling Theorem:**
 - + Only need to sample 2 x maximum frequency component of a signal
- ✦ **Range of human hearing?**
 - + 20 Hz → 20 kHz
- ✦ **How many samples?**
 - + 2 x 20 kHz = 40 kHz
- ✦ **CD samples /sec:**
 - + 44,000 Samples / sec

The Theory behind MP3
http://www.mp3-tech.org/programmer/docs/mp3_theory.pdf

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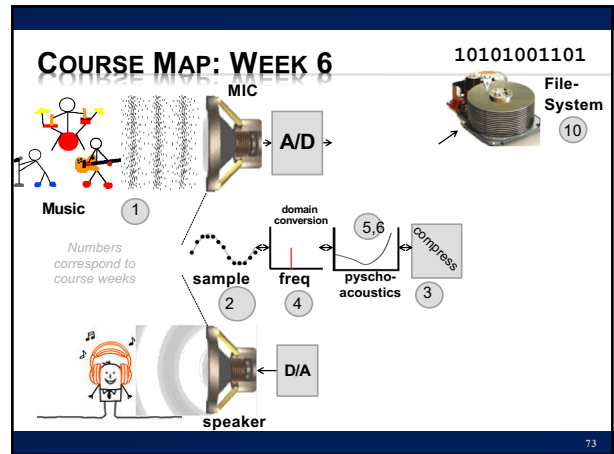
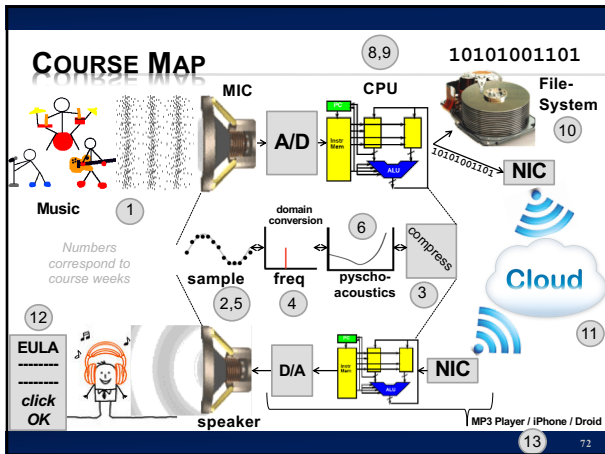


WEEK 6: PSYCHOACOUSTIC COMPRESSION

- ✦ **MP3 based on putting these together**
 - + Convert to frequencies
 - + **Determine frequencies that don't matter**
 - + Quantize (fewer than 16b) for less important
- ✦ **Significantly smaller size than raw, sampled bits**

Lossy Coding

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WEEK 7: HARDWARE

- CPUs: We'll look at their operation and architecture
- How fast does your laptop or cell phone run?
- Modern chips run 100MHz to 4 GHz
 - only need one multiplier, adder
 - Reuse hardware in time

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WEEK 8: HARDWARE

- To perform decompression
 - For audio playback
- Need to perform
 - a few million operations
 - Operations: addition, multiplication
 - Calculate cosines
 - Scale values
 - Add waveforms
 - per second of audio
- How fast does CPU need to be to work with audio?

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WEEK 8: IPOD PROCESSOR

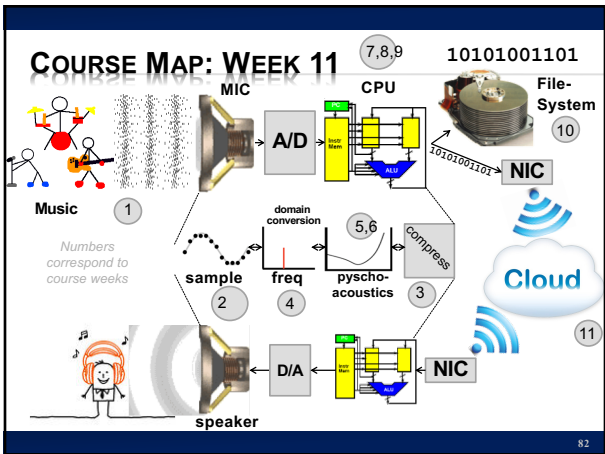
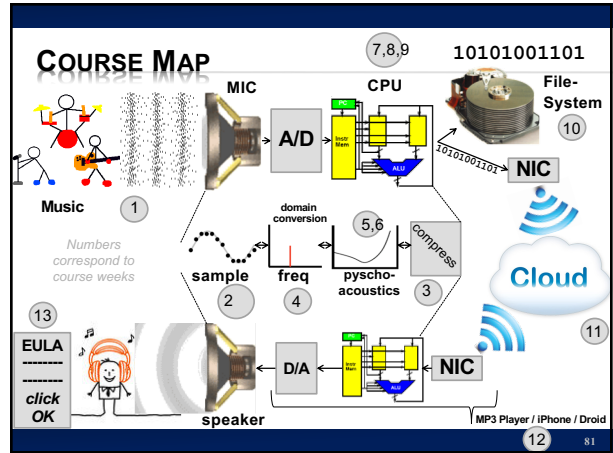
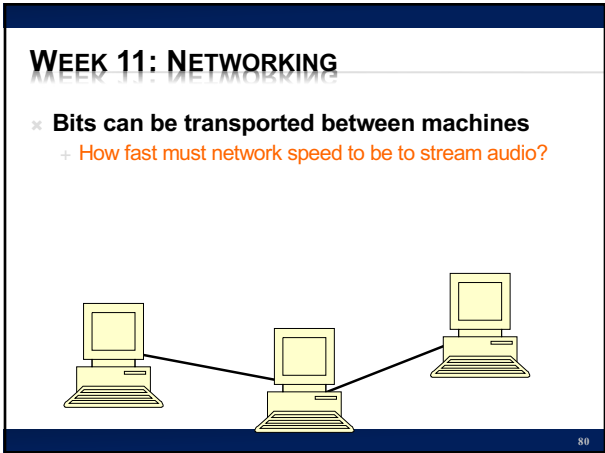
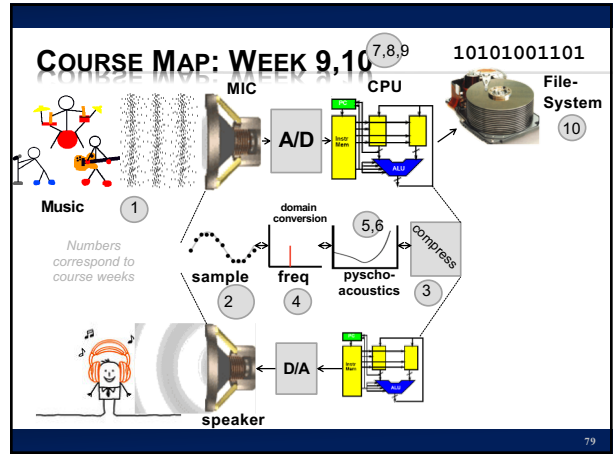
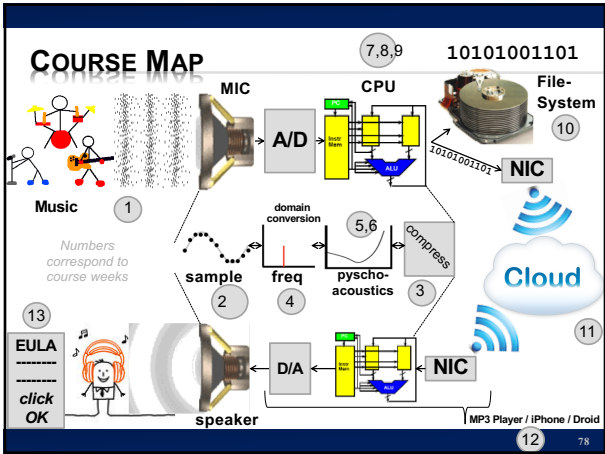
- Early based on PortalPlayer series
 - Two ARM7TDMI cores
 - 80MHz each
- Current use ARM7 or ARM8

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WEEK 9: OPERATING SYSTEM

- This hardware can be virtualized and shared among tasks
 - How does OS control hardware?
 - Do we need giant OS or small portion for mp3?

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WEEK 12: USER INTERFACES

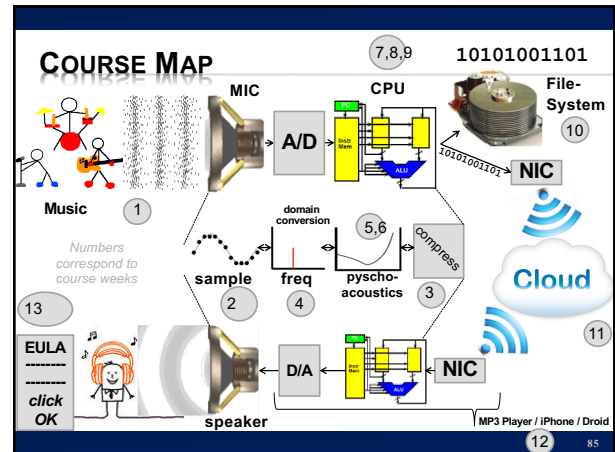
- × These capabilities can be harnessed by all people
 - + Not just engineers
- × ...but we must designed for people
 - + For the non-engineers
- × iPhone is a classic example:
 - + product that didn't do anything new
 - + BUT, it made everything simple
 - + thanks to well designed UI

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WEEK 13: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- × Who own's the bits?
- × What is the law?
- × Why is the law?
- × Why should you care (as engineers)?
- × How is the world changing?

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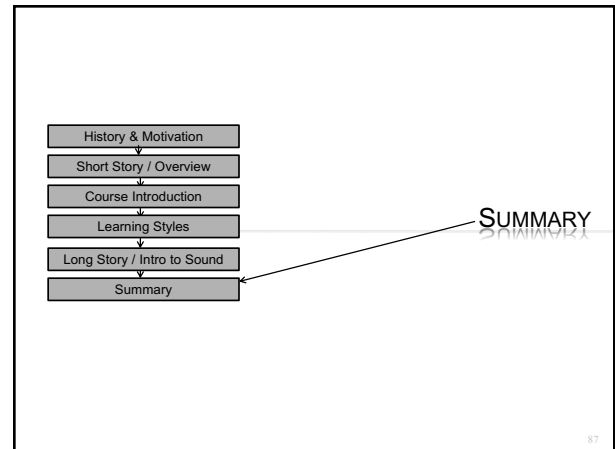


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Compression, MP3s, Psychoacoustics, and Everything

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THIS COURSE

- × **Always trying to improve:**
 - + Attempts to explain a great deal of Computer Engineering
 - × Without going to far in depth
 - + Lecture/Lab
 - × Intent is to tie them together well
 - × Inevitably, the tie won't always be obvious
 - + Help us, help you (and future students):
 - × The more feedback you provide, the better we can make this course
 - × If a tie isn't obvious, let us help make the connection stronger
 - × We want you to love Comp Engineering as much as we do ☺
 - + One form: daily feedback sheets

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CHANGING WORLD

- × **Automated computation changed world**
 - + Faster than we imagined
- × **World being digitized and refitted for computerized control and mediation**
 - + People-to-people, people-to-machines
 - + Infrastructure from bricks/concrete/steel to networking/computers/software
- × **Enabling new engineering**
 - + Computerization at center
- × **Exciting and dangerous**
- × **Computer Engineering at center**

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PARTING THOUGHT

- × **From 1st computer to PCs in 30 years**
 - + Eniac 1946→ Apple 1976
- × **From first PCs to iPhone next 30 years**
 - + Apple 1976→iPhone 2007
- × **What will next 30 years hold?**
 - + Beginning of your career
- × **What will you imagine, create, enable?**