

Slide Rule: Utilizing Multi-Touch Interaction Techniques to Make Mobile Touch Screens Accessible to Blind People

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ABSTRACT: *Ongoing progressions in touch screen innovation have supported the utilization of touch shows and prodded the improvement of a large number of new touch screen-based contraptions. Contact shows, then again, remain commonly inaccessible to dazzle clients, who should depend on mistake inclined remunerating strategies or search out available other options. Collaboration strategies that require the client to outwardly distinguish things on the screen are to be faulted for this unavailability. To tackle this issue, we give Slide Rule, a bunch of sound based multi-contact communication strategies that permit blind individuals to use contact screens. We examine Slide Rule's plan, collaboration strategies, and a client research in which ten visually impaired people utilized Slide Rule and a button-based Pocket PC screen peruser. Slide Rule was demonstrated to be significantly speedier than the button-based technique, and 7 out of 10 clients favored it. While using Slide Rule, be that as it may, clients spread the word about additional missteps than while utilizing the more button-based technique.*

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1. INTRODUCTION

Notwithstanding the way that touch screens have been around for a really long time, ongoing progressions in touch screen interfaces, like those found in Apple's iPhone and Microsoft's Surface, have reignited interest in them. In settings like historical centers, air terminals, and grocery stores, contact screens are frequently used to offer purchasers with data and administrations. Contact shows are turning out to be more well known in cell phones like Tablet PCs, PDAs, and cell phones. Contact screen interfaces give many advantages over conventional button-based interfaces. One advantage is the control and adaptability of show. Slide Rule is being utilized by a member on a multi-contact Smartphone. Slide Rule essentially yields sounds and doesn't show information on the screener scrollable rundown, a QWERTY console, or a phone keypad are instances of different points of interaction on a similar surface. Discoverability is one more advantage of touch screen interfaces. Contact screens empower clients to control objects on the screen straightforwardly as opposed to remembering input guidelines. Past pointing and contacting, new multi-contact UIs empower clients to draw in with single-and multi-finger movements including flicking, turning, and squeezing [1].

Contact shows, be that as it may, might be a significant obstruction to openness for blind individuals. Since most touch shows need hear-able or material criticism, finding things on the screen might be troublesome or incomprehensible. Because of these difficulties, blind clients might require help from a located individual to situate on-screen things, may have to use an other open point of interaction (if accessible), or might be very much incapable to utilize a gadget. Albeit certain assistive advancements might upgrade contact screen availability, they for the

most part need additional equipment buttons (or just proposition restricted touch screen usefulness . Subsequently, most of the present touch screen points of interaction are difficult to reach to dazzle individuals.

We made Slide Rule, an assortment of open multi-contact collaboration techniques for contact screen interfaces, in light of these requirements. Slide Rule is a non-visual point of interaction that changes a touch screen into a "talking" contact delicate surface. The four essential motion communications utilized by Slide Rule are as per the following: a one-finger output to look at records, a second-finger contact to pick Permission is given without charge to make computerized or actual duplicates of all or part of this work for individual or study hall use, given that duplicates are not delivered or scattered for benefit or business gain, and that duplicates convey this notification and the entire reference on the principal page. Any other way, you'll have to get consent or potentially follow through on a cost to duplicate, republish, put on servers, or disperse to mailing records. We talk about the plan, execution, and evaluation of Slide Rule in this article. We portray the aftereffects of our client focused plan approach, which incorporates developmental meetings with 8 visually impaired cell phone clients and iterative prototyping with three visually impaired clients. In this examination, ten visually impaired people used Slide Rule and a comparative button-based approach with the Mobile Speak Pocket screen peruser. Clients preferred Slide Rule, as indicated by our discoveries, since it was speedier. Seven out of ten members picked Slide Rule. Be that as it may, while utilizing Slide Rule, members committed more errors, bringing about a speed-precision tradeoff. At long last, we address the review's plan suggestions as well as future examination possibilities, for example, applying our techniques to other touch screen-based gadgets and surface registering stages. Slide Rule expands on prior investigations on the availability of touch screen interfaces by offering more ways of drawing in with them. Slide Rule additionally adds to the developing assortment of information on without hands cell phone interfaces by giving novel without hands collaboration techniques for contact screen gadgets [2]

1.1. Accessibility to Touch Screens:

Past examination endeavors have attempted to make contact screen-based gadgets more available. The Talking Fingertip Technique by Vanderheiden empowered guests to examine a stand contact screen with their finger and hear clarifications of the things on the screen, then, at that point, initiate those things utilizing an equipment button under the screen. The Talking Tactile Tablet empowered clients to utilize a pen to investigate a two-layered climate, with hear-able and material information gave by means of voice and a printed material overlay. Contact 'n Talk permitted clients to skim and change text records utilizing voice and a haptic overlay. By giving criticism when the client examined with a finger or pointer, these innovations made traditional touch screen interfaces open. Slide Rule, then again, offers a modified touch interface planned explicitly for non-visual [3] perusing. Slide Rule essentially needs a multi-contact screen, while past frameworks required particular equipment or material overlays. Just a little level of business frameworks have contact screen openness. Contact shows at grocery store checkout booths, for instance, incorporate a material overlay layout that permits purchasers to feel segments of the fundamental screen. Overlays, then again, limit the adaptability of touch screen interfaces by requiring objects on the screen to match the actual overlay. A screen

peruser, for example, Mobile Speak Pocket, might be utilized to get to specific touch screen-based cell phones (MSP). MSP parts the screen into four quadrants, with every quadrant perceiving taps as button presses. MSP empowers blind individuals to use contact shows, however just partially. Slide Rule, then again, takes into consideration a more extensive assortment of touch screen communications[4].

1.2. *Use of a Hands-Free Mobile Device:*

For cell phones without contact shows, specialists have made different sans eyes collaboration techniques. Both visually impaired and located individuals might profit from these strategies. Exhortation is a model cell phone that explores discourse based menus utilizing an actual parchment hagggle. While the client is on the telephone, Blind Sight uses a telephone keypad to get to a voice menu. Slide Rule is like past frameworks, besides rather than actual buttons, it uses a multi-contact surface. Different strategies use contact screen movements to offer without hands admittance to cell phone menus. To execute essential undertakings on versatile touch shows, O'Neill et al. , and Sanchez and Maureira all use directional signals. To get to various leveled sound menus, Ear Pod uses a roundabout touchpad. Slide Rule expects to develop existing frameworks in three ways: by eliminating the requirement for clients to remember erratic signal mappings, by giving admittance to more refined data, and by utilizing multi-contact motions to empower further collaborations with the touch surface. Sánchez and Aguayo and Yfantidis and Evreinov made frameworks that empower clients to compose text on touch shows utilizing multi-tap and directional motions, individually, while getting hear-able criticism as they type.

These procedures are free to Slide Rule, and they might be converged from here on out. We performed fundamental meetings with 8 visually impaired cell phone clients to find ease of use issues with contact presentations and cell phones. Notwithstanding the way that our witnesses were completely capable cell phone clients, most of them had never utilized a touch screen. Contact screens were professed to be utilized on microwaves, grocery store checkout booths, surveying machines, ATMs, and, on interesting occurrences, cell phones, as indicated by witnesses. At the point when asked how they managed touch shows, witnesses recommended different arrangements. At the point when the witness' home had a touch screen, for example, on a microwave our requests zeroed in on two fundamental subjects: current cell phone use and contact screen breakdowns and workarounds. Each interview was around 30 minutes in length. The meetings were directed with eight witnesses, four of whom were male and four of whom were female. Figure 1 uncovers the Participant utilizing Slide Rule on a multi-contact Smartphone Slide Rule utilizes sound result just and doesn't show data on the screen[5]



Figure 1: Participant using Slide Rule on a multi-touch Smartphone Slide Rule uses audio output only and does not display information on the screen.

2. DISCUSSION

We asked about the cell phones that witnesses utilized consistently. Shockingly, every one of the eight witnesses used different cell phones. Every witness used 3.6 (SD=0.7) cell phones consistently. Cell phones, PCs, Braille PDAs, and book recording players were all ordinarily utilized contraptions. A cell phone or PDA was utilized by every one of the eight witnesses. Two of the witnesses utilized touch screens. Witnesses conveyed a few contraptions that played out similar work in many occurrences, ordinarily in light of the fact that one had a superior connection point for a specific undertaking. Regardless of whether their PDA or convenient music player could play book recordings, a few witnesses conveyed a versatile book recording peruser. A few witnesses said that they had endeavored an undertaking previously however flopped because of obstructions. This exhibits that even on gadgets that they use consistently, purchasers experience convenience and availability issues. Figure 2 uncovers the Slide Rule utilizes multi-contact signals to communicate with applications. (1) A one-finger examine is utilized to peruse records; (2) A second-finger tap is utilized to choose things; (3) A flick signal is utilized to flip between pages of things or an at present playing melody; (4) A L-select motion is utilized to peruse the progressive system of specialists and tunes in the music player [6].

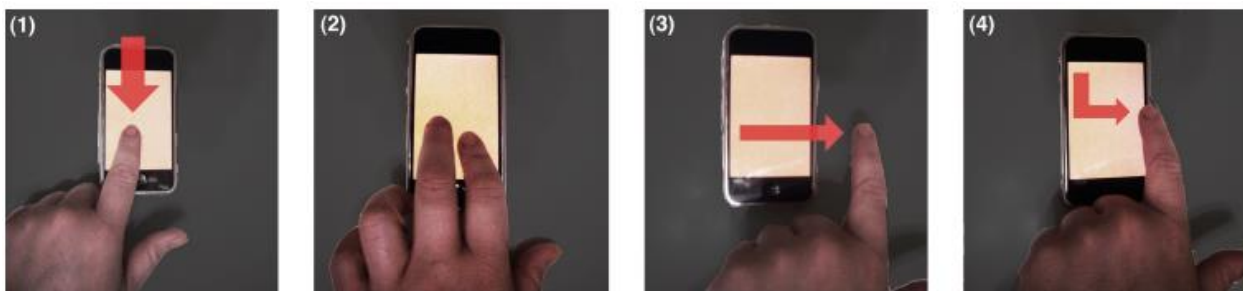


Figure 2 Slide Rule uses multi-touch gestures to interact with applications. (1) A one-finger scan is used to browse lists; (2) A second-finger tap is used to select items; (3) A flick gesture is used to flip between pages of items or a currently playing song; (4) An L-select gesture is used to browse the hierarchy of artists and songs in the music player.

Our meetings assisted us with distinguishing serious issues that we expected to address in the production of Slide Rule. We found three shared characteristics. Slide Rule was created on a bunch of thoughts that drove its turn of events. Energize the production of easy to understand contact screen interfaces First, witnesses favored contraptions with a recognizable UI. Designs. As a result of their commonality, numerous witnesses commended contraptions that used a miniQWERTY console or telephone keypad. Design. Subsequently, contact screen interfaces that are available ought to empower When achievable, clients ought to draw in with recognizable spatial courses of action.

Second, every one of the witnesses had a few cell phones, and they utilized them often.carried contraptions that were practically repetitive. It is feasible to utilize a few devices.It is difficult to control. "I generally have so a lot," one source said.So, on the off chance that I need to convey this large number of bits of hardware with me presently, It's excessive with the innovation." Devices with contact screens give different advantages. The capacity to consolidate the functional

ty of different gadgets into a solitary unita single cell phone Reusable guidelines and motions, on the other hand,are expected to ensure that communications across applications are consistent.Finally, albeit a significant number of our sources were keen on getting more familiar with the Some public were keen on using an open touch screen. Uncertain about not having the option to find things on touch shows, oInadvertently empowering some unacceptable highlights. Subsequently, it's important that Touch screen points of interaction are easy to involve and diminish the prerequisite for preparing [7] [8].

As opposed to making clients answerable for looking over, when there are an excessive number of targets, Slide Rule uses paging. should have the option to fit on a solitary screen The flick movements to the left and right are utilized honk explore. A flick movement is utilized to switch between pages of things or a by and by playing music; Asecond-finger contact is utilized to choose things; The L-select signal is utilized to explore the music player's progressive system of specialists and tracks

Strategies and Applications of Interaction We made a bunch of rules in light of the plan ideas illustrated previously. Imaginative touch-screen collaboration strategies that needn't bother with the utilization of your eyes these models exhibit their flexibility and helpfulness. Three model applications were utilized to test the procedures: telephone is a telephone registry, Mail is an email client, and Music is a music player (Music). Peruse the items in the screen by swiping down. Past/next page might be gotten to by swiping left or right. One-finger examine on the home screen: peruse appetat with your second finger to pick an application. Examining contacts with one finger on the telephone Tap with your second finger to settle on a telephone decision Scanning message headers with one finger Tap with your subsequent finger: Read the body of

the message. Answer to a message by swiping left. Right-click: communicate something specific Search for specialists with only one finger's-select: Search for music by craftsman.

Tap with your second finger to play a melody. Flick left to pay attention to the previous melody Right-snap to play the following tune Double-tapping will stop the ongoing music. Examine with One Finger The client might utilize one finger to investigate the items on the screen's movement of filtering A client might stack things in an upward direction since they are stacked upward. To peruse, they move their finger from the top to the lower part of the screen. The entire items in the ongoing perspective when the client's finger is squeezed Slide Rule communicates the name and a depiction of another thing when it is contacted. a concise depiction of the thing Slide Rule, for instance, is quick to talk. at the point when the client looks for a contact in the telephone directory, and the last name of a contact in the telephone registry for that contact, he contacts the district. The name of every thing is gone before by a portending sound, like the underlying letter of a name or a numbea list thing that can be immediately examined with the finger FoThe name Bob Jones, for instance, is articulated "B, Bob Jones." Thisenables clients to quickly filter a rundown of names to find the one they're searching for. They can find what they're looking for without going through lengthy readouts. Contacting focuses on a touch screen has been demonstrated to be successful previously [9] [10].

3. CONCLUSION

Slide Rule is an assortment of multi-contact collaboration techniques that upgrade the openness of touch screen-based applications. Versatile contraptions that can be utilized with a few fingers on a multi-contact screen without the need of any additional equipment fastens The plan of Slide Rule is extraordinary. In light of client focused plan with blind people and meetings with blind cell phone clients, as per our examination, are Slide Rule permits you to get things done quicker than you could with a pen and paper. In spite of the fact that they produce more commotion, button-based versatile screen perusers are more well known. Blunders. Slide Rule is additionally liked by clients over the button-based approach. Notwithstanding concerns in regards to the reasonableness of using contact shows, having a more significant level of experience with conventional screen perusers The discoveries of this exploration show that Slide Rule's communication is valuable. Strategies might be used to make present and future data more available. Contact presentations representing things to come Furthermore, the upsides of execution demonstrate that touch shows have potential as a second method of information innovation for blind individuals, and those they don't need to be cut outas a consequence of this critical and generally utilized innovation.

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