Computer Science in the World

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Gregg Vesonder about me

Stevens for 12 years

Penn for 10 years

at&t labs for 35 years

Software Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Human Computer Interaction Software Design and Architecture

my first dog, my first computer





Tell me about yourself and your interaction with computers

What is a computer?

What is Computer Science?

Wikipedia

Computer science is the scientific and practical approach to computation and its applications. It is the systematic study of the feasibility, structure, expression, and mechanization of the methodical procedures (or algorithms) that underlie the acquisition, representation, processing, storage, communication of, and access to information, whether such information is encoded as bits in a computer memory or transcribed in genes and protein structures in a biological cell.

Do you have a smart phone?

What apps do you use?

Japan's Tsunami



blog.salvationarmyusa.org

Fukushima



3 of 6 nuclear reactors melted down

noney.cnn.com

Radiation Spread

- Government reported on the spread of radiation
- A 20 kilometer exclusion zone was established
- Citizens were skeptical about the government reports
- Radioactive water was leaking into the ocean



wikipedia

Personal Radiation Detectors

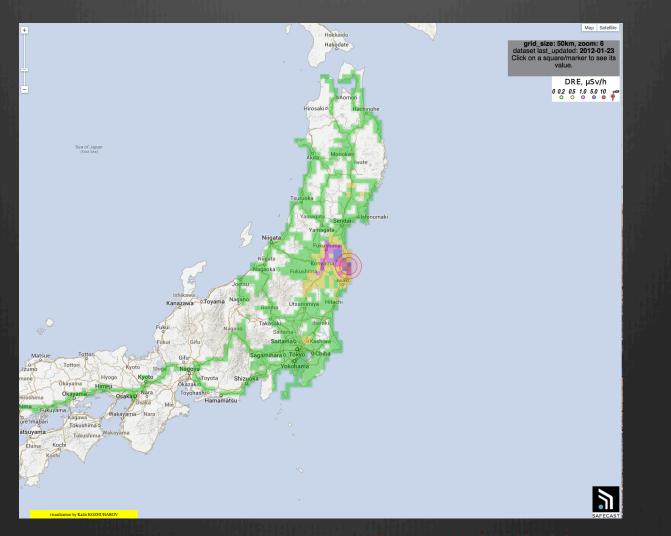
- Citizens needed another way to assess the threat
- Personal radiation detectors emerged built on microprocessor technology
- iPhone Safecast app
- Data placed in repository
- APIs to access data
- Soon citizens were posting their own data





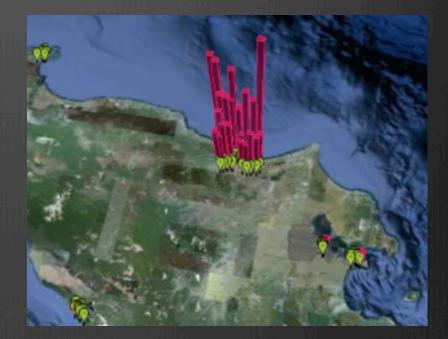
Medcom.com

SafeCast Map



Other Maps

- Large number of readings invaluable
- Compared against government produced data
- Compared against their data – calibration is an issue
- Real-time data
- Multiple visualizations



spectrum.ieee.org

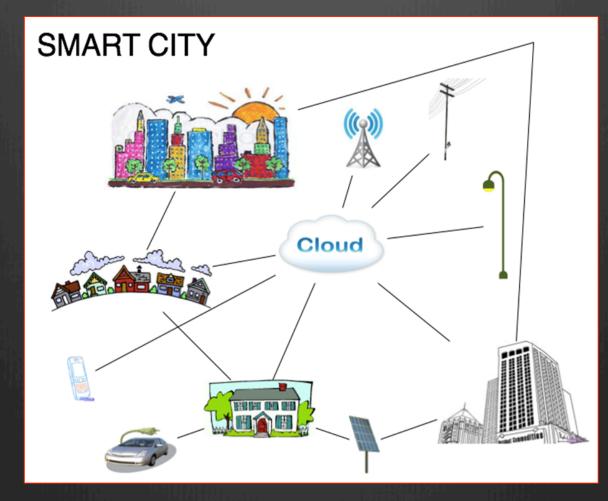
How it works

- People or machines generate data
 PAN
- Data is transferred to a collecting point
- Data is ordered in some way
 Database
- Code is written to access the data -> APIs
- Developers use APIs to access data



- Tagging Things
- Sensing Things
- Shrinking Things
- Thinking Things

Leads to Smart Cities





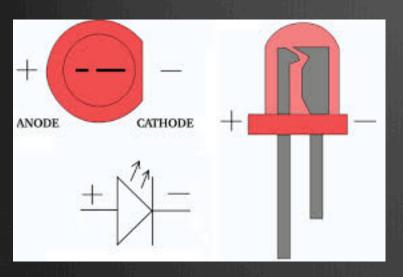
- Power
- Communication
- Calibration
- Security
- AnalysisBig Data

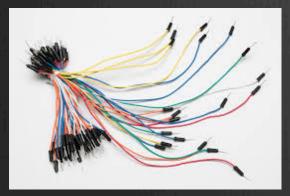
About the LAB

Morse Code

- Long history
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BgeImcOdS38

Hardware components

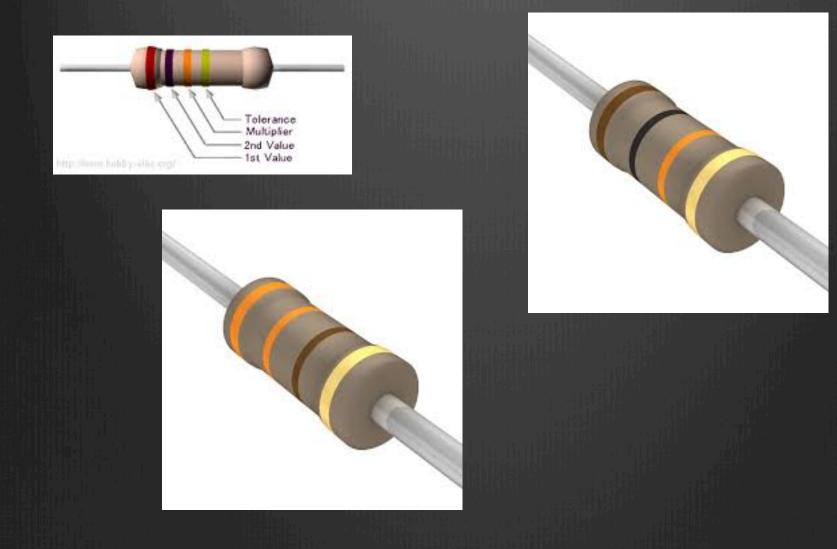






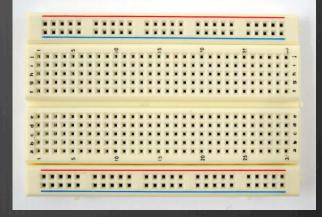
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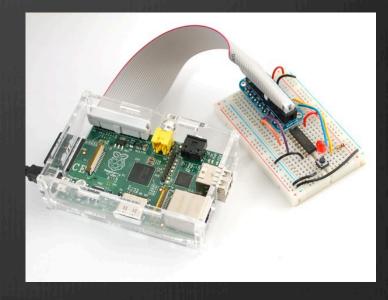
Resistors



Platform









- Variables
- Iterators:
 - while (condition):
 - \circledast for <var> in :
- Def myFunctionName (myArgs):
- True and False
- # is comment indicator

Ongoing

- Learn computer languages
- Program
- Learn from others
 - Stack overflow
- Build
- Be curious
- Be creative
- Find your Joy
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- vesonder@mac.com
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