



Capacitive Sensing Shaping UI for Mobile

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Cypress Semiconductor Corporation

- Headquartered in San Jose, CA, USA
- Founded in 1982 · Listed on the NASDAQ
- 3700 employees · 2011 Revenue: \$995M



Competing Technologies







Measure coupled charge between transmitter and receiver electrodes

- When no finger is present the coupled charge is at the baseline level and the effective capacitance is 1-3pF
- \cdot When a finger is present the coupled charge is smaller because some charge is shunted to earth ground
- The effective change in capacitance due to a finger (Signal) is 50-200fF
- \cdot Finger coupling and board-to-earth ground capacitance (C_{\rm BRD}) generate the largest variation in signal



PCAP: Self vs. Mutual Capacitance





- Each X or Y line is an capacitive sensor
 - Total sensors = X + Y
 - The large senor creates lots of signal
- When a touch is present the nearest sensor lines are activated (X1, Y0)
- If two touches are present, ghosting occurs as (X1, X3, Y0, Y2) are all active, yet the combination is unknown
- Large Signal due to large sensor size

Mutual Capacitance



- Intersections of X & Y lines form parallel plate capacitive sensors
 - Total sensors = X * Y
 - Intersections are small, thus capacitive signal is small
- When a touch is present the nearest intersection is activated (X1, Y0)
- Multi-touch is truly supported
- Smaller signal due to small cross-sectional sensor size

Introducing Gen4



<u>World's First</u> touchscreen controller manufacturer to provide:

- 32-bit ARM Cortex family of touchscreen devices
- 10V Tx with Tx-Boost[™] for the best inapplication SNR
- Display Armor[™] to eliminate display noise
- 400 Hz refresh rate, 1 kHz scan rate
- 2 mW average power consumption

Cypress is still the <u>only</u> touchscreen supplier to offer these advanced features:

- Self + Mutual Capacitance
- Charger Armor[™] to eliminate charger noise
- CSP for world's smallest packages
- Assisted Tuning to make your touchscreen design a snap!



INTRODUCING THE REVOLUTIONARY TRUETOUCH GEN4 TOUCH SENSORS.

> NOW YOU CAN ELIMINATE DISPLAY NOISE AND ACCELERATE PERORMANCE.



Capacitive Sensing Advanced Features



Waterproofing

- IP67 Compliant Products
- Full water rejection
- Wet Finger Tracking
- Sweat, Condensation, Water Film

0.8mm Passive Stylus

- 150 Hz refresh rate
- Passive conductive stylus
- Accuracy and linearity < 1.0mm
- Works with gloves
- Rivals size of resistive stylus
- Supports both multi-touch and stylus

Hover

- TrueGlove[™]
- Mouseover and magnify capabilities
- Advanced gaming functions
- Keyboard applications
- 20mm accurate finger tracking
- Can sense both hover and direct input



Enabled by Patented Self + Mutual Capacitance Scanning