speculative design

smart homes

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this week's goal

case study: home's of the future how should we design for future domestic life?

#firstworldproblems

what is a smart home?

a house that senses: user activities and needs

reacts to them in some way



the aware home, 1999

source: http://awarehome.imtc.gatech.edu/

house_n





source: http://architecture.mit.edu/house_n/placelab.html

microsoft's home of the future

http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=9V_0xDUg0h0

http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=Wg8EzW3XwUs&feature=related

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/ technology-21632855 made in 2013 for 10 years into the future

parody of microsoft's future



http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=0USn7eufXps

living tomorrow

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9DJr8QwgLEA&feature=related

samsung, south korea

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2mxocMgUrvo&feature=related

challenges for smart homes

1: accidentally smart

items will come in one at a time impact of new devices is unclear





source: stylishfurniture.com

2: impromptu interoperability

will items really be able to interoperate?

how can devices know how to work with *all* future devices?



3: no systems administrator

upgrade hardware and software design for no onsite expert appliance model: simple, one function utility model: smarts is in the network

lumiTouch Chang et al





4: design for domestic use

study people at home see what technologies they need and want design for those needs

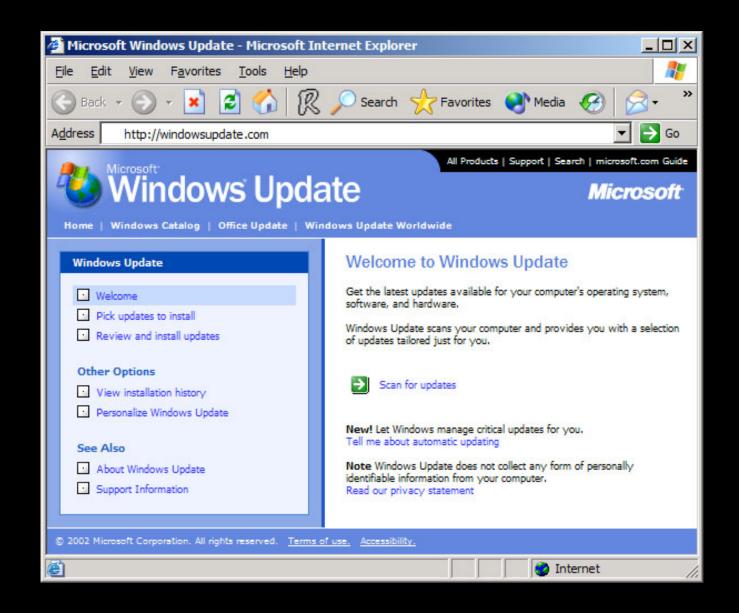
5: social implications

the use of a device is not always clear technologies change social practice how will they affect home culture? how will they avoid disruptions?



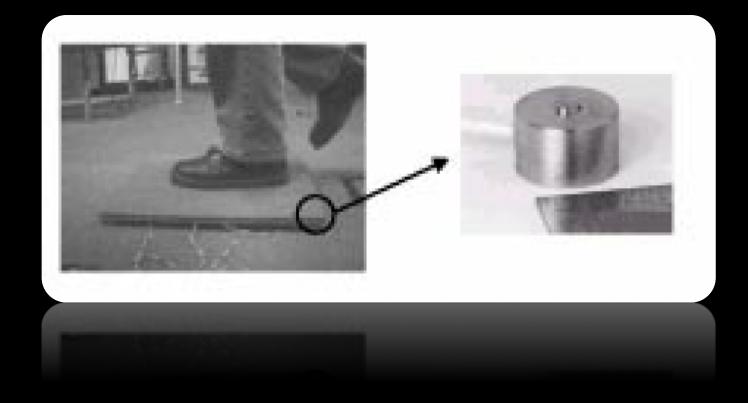
6: reliability

most appliances rarely crash computers crash all the time device independence



7: inference and ambiguity

how much inference is required? how smart does it have to be?



smart floor

source: Orr and Abowd

samsung

product concepts from 2003 digitally engineered domestic life



smart mat



smart wardrobe



Fig. 24 The smart bathroom is a sanctuary for relaxation and health

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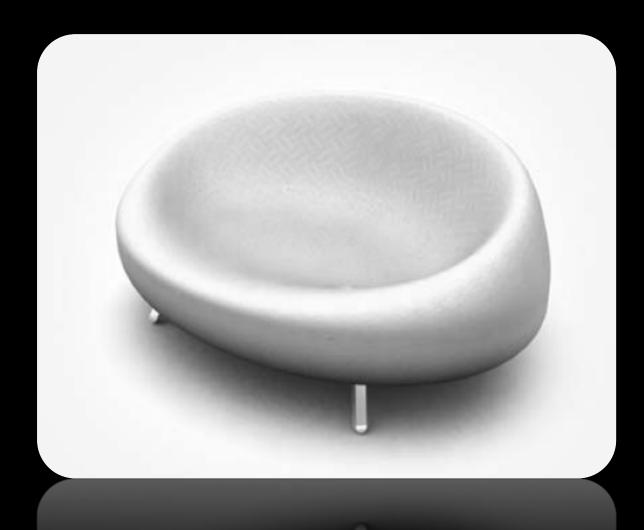


smart pillow





smart memories



smart sofa





smart dressing table



smart bed



gate reminder



smart refrigerator



smart paper