

# Ubicomp Mash-Ups Searching for Digital Hot Glue



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#### **Developers**: What it Means to be a Mashup

Posted by <u>ScuttleMonkey</u> on Wednesday August 09, @03:36AM from the <u>development-has-to-come-from-somewhere</u> dept.

#### An anonymous reader writes

"IBM DevWorks has provided us with an introductory article that helps define what it means to be a mashup. In addition to just defining what a mashup really it the author also delves into what they do for the community at large and where they may take us in the near future. From the article: 'Mashups are an exciting genre of interactive Web applications that draw upon content retrieved from external data sources to create entirely new and innovative services. They are a hallmark of the second generation of Web applications informally known as Web 2.0."

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#### maybe another term is appropriate? (Score:2)

by <a href="mailto:macadamia\_harold(947445">macadamia\_harold(947445)</a> on Wednesday August 09, @03:47AM (#15872021) (http://www.planesonasnake.com/)

Sorry, but this buzzword's taken.

mash up. v. To take elements of two or more pre-existing pieces of music and combine them to make a new song. n. A song comprised of elements of two or more pre-existing pieces of music.

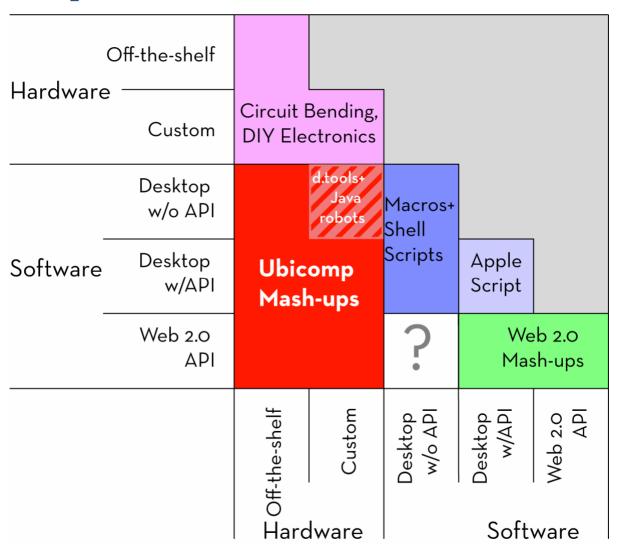
2. I'm in the middle of mashing-up songs by Tom Jones and Michael Jackson. (verb usage)

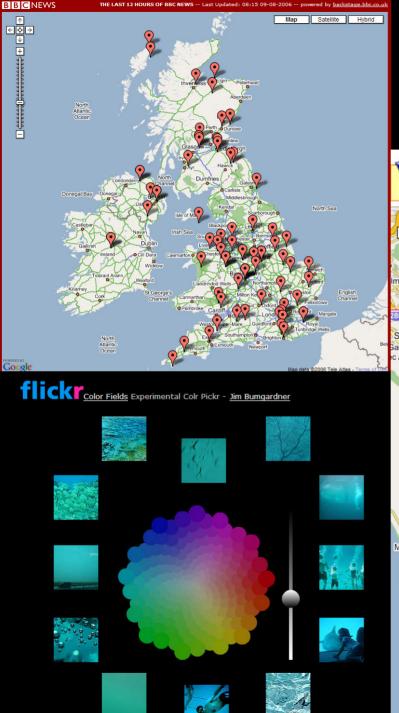
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# Working definition:

"A combination of existing technologies, glued together to achieve new functionality (as opposed to creating that functionality from scratch)."

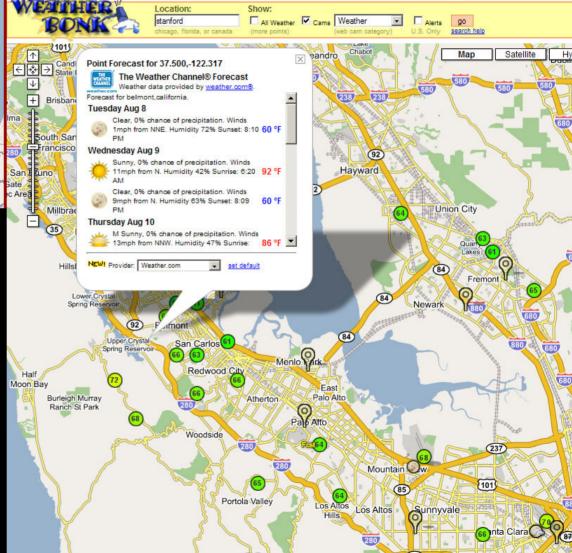
### Mash-Up Matrix



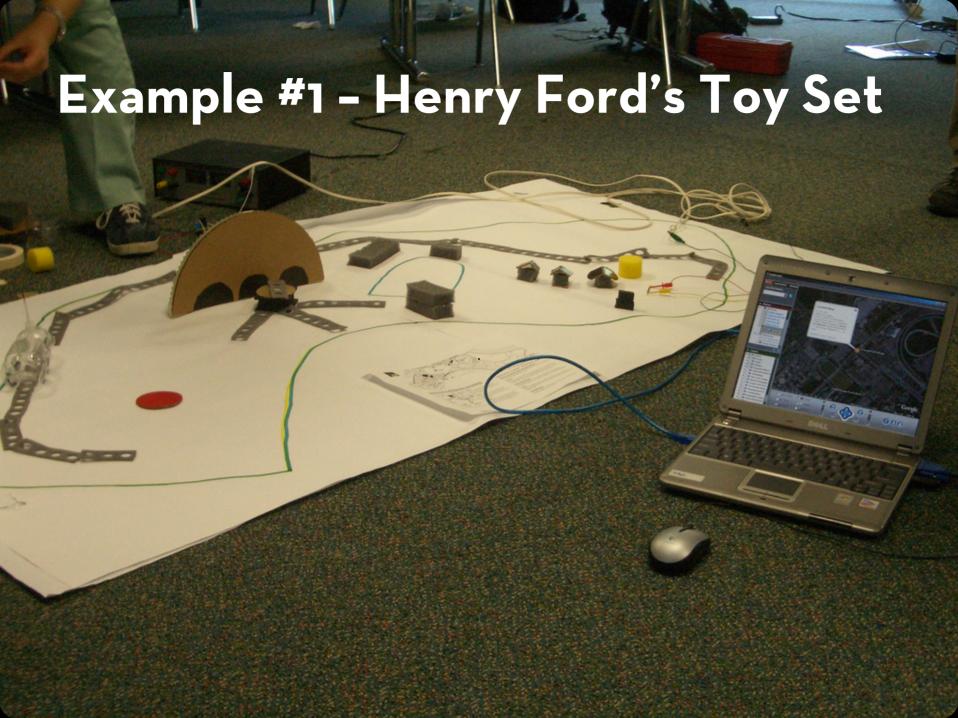


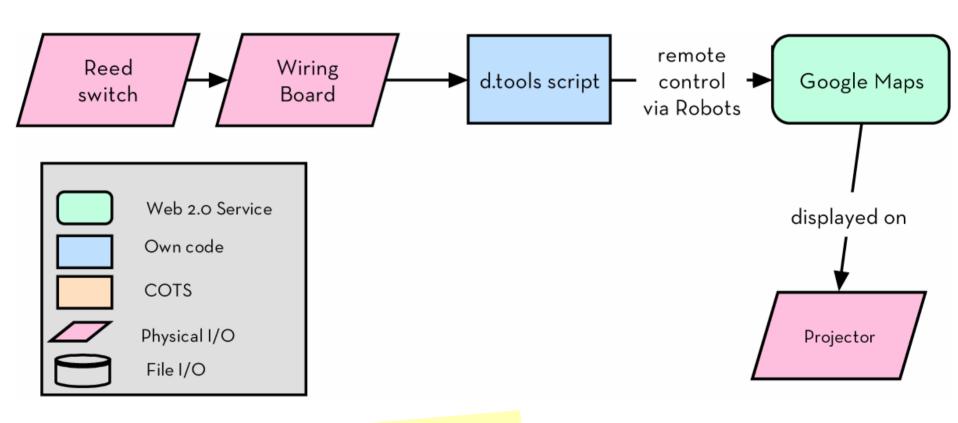
# Web2.0 Mash-Ups

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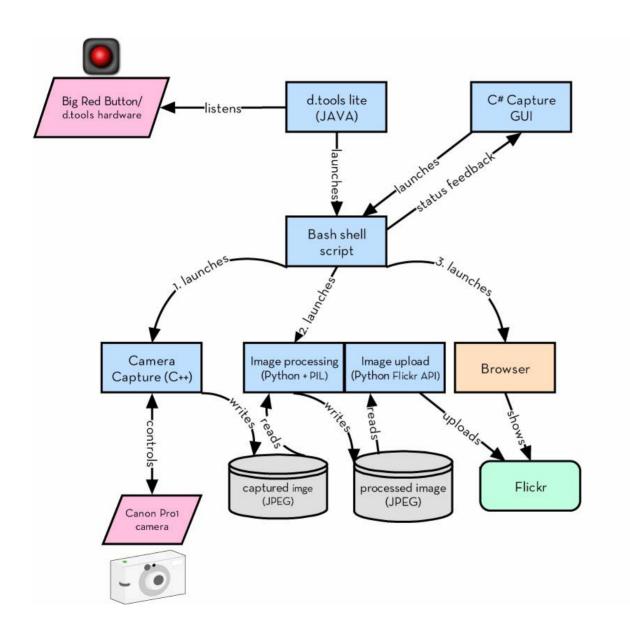


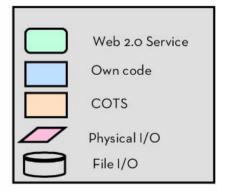
WHAT ABOUT BORROWED CODE?

# Example #2 Our whiteboard has a Flickr account

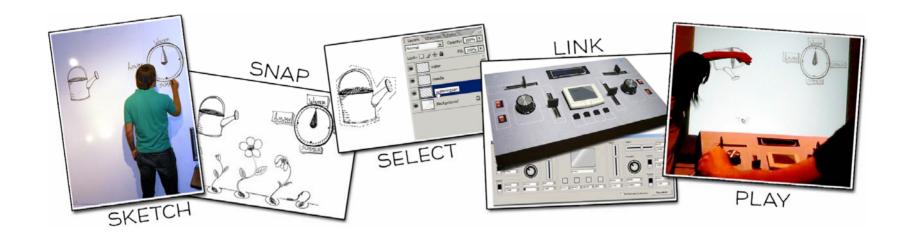




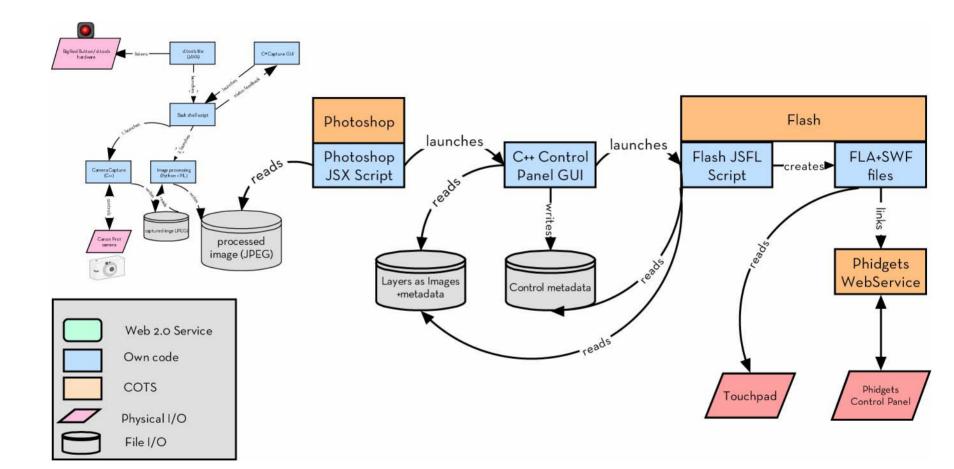




#### Example #3 - Ex-A-Sketch

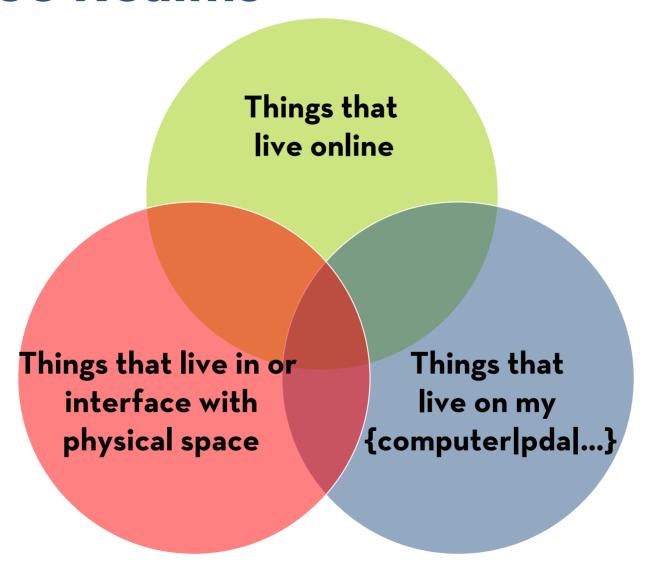


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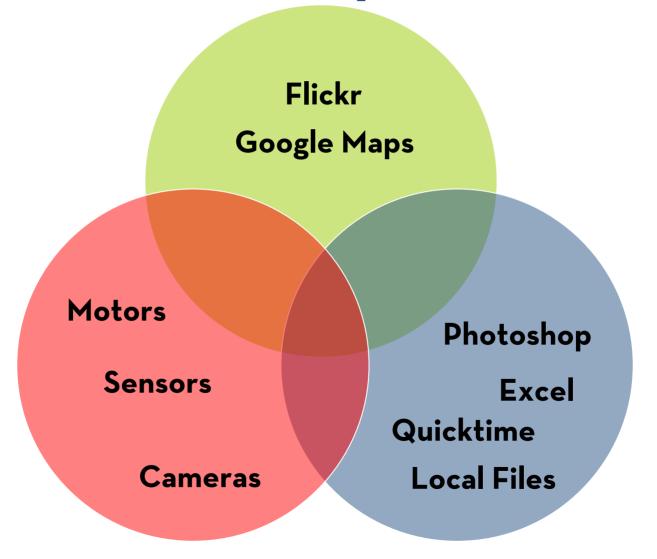


# Gluing things together: What? How?

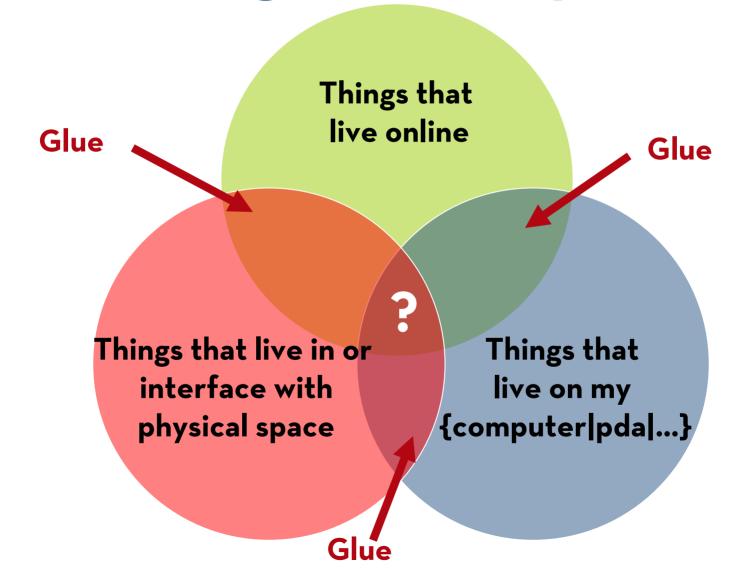
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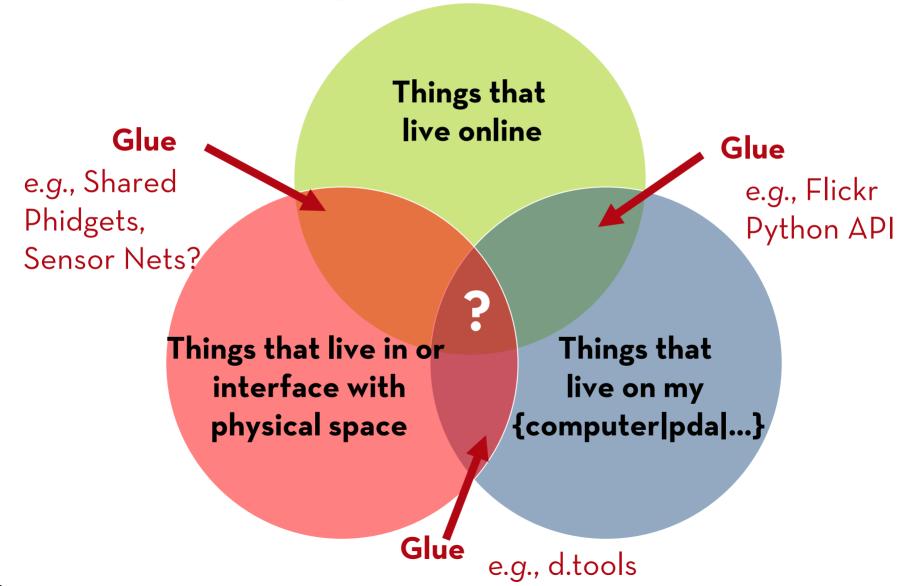
#### ..with some examples



#### Connecting different pieces



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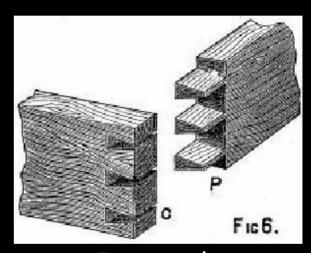


#### Two kinds of Adhesives/Connectives



Hot glue

VS.

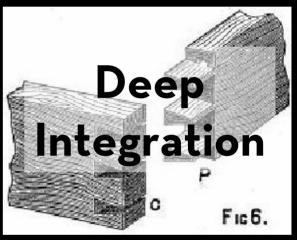


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Screen scraping & screen poking

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**Public APIs** 

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Webmaster Tools

- ScreenPoking tools generate mouse and keyboard events to control PC applications through other means (mechanical, electronic, or through software). These are INPUT ONLY.
- ScreenScraping tools
- Electronics:
  - Hardware to PC interfaces reading sensors on your PC, controlling actuators from your PC
  - · Simple Microcontrollers embedded control of sensors and actuators; mostly with roll-your-own PC connectivity.
- Transducers that change one type of input/output into another
  - Game console to PC adapters let you turn game console controllers such as the DDR Dance Pad into PC game controllers.
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  - Optoisolators
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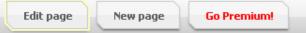
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# http://mashup-tools.pbwiki.com

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