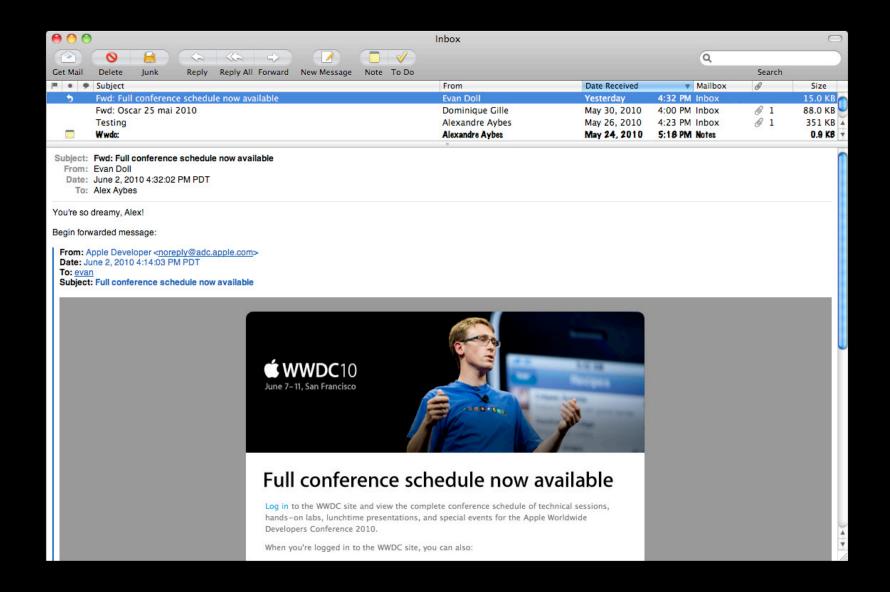


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What We Will Cover Today

- Overview of Address Book
- Integrating people into your application
- Adapting your application for the iPad
- Improving the user experience: responsiveness and multitasking

No extensive API listings

What You Need to Do:

Read the fantastic documentation

Overview What's Address Book?

Address Book

Address Book UI Framework











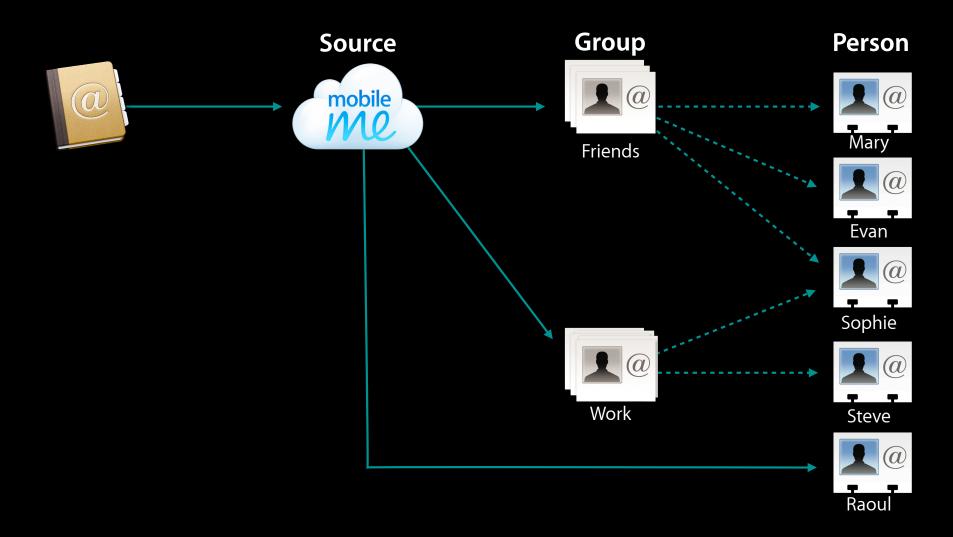






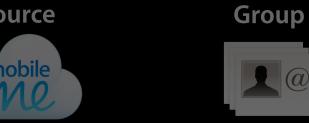








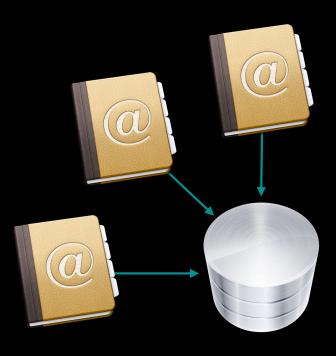






Address Book

- Central point for all things Address Book
- Your connection to the database
- Multiple instances, a single database











Source

- Identifies where contacts come from
 - On My iPhone (Local)
 - MobileMe
 - Microsoft Exchange
 - CardDAV
- One source to many contacts relationship

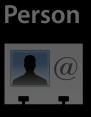










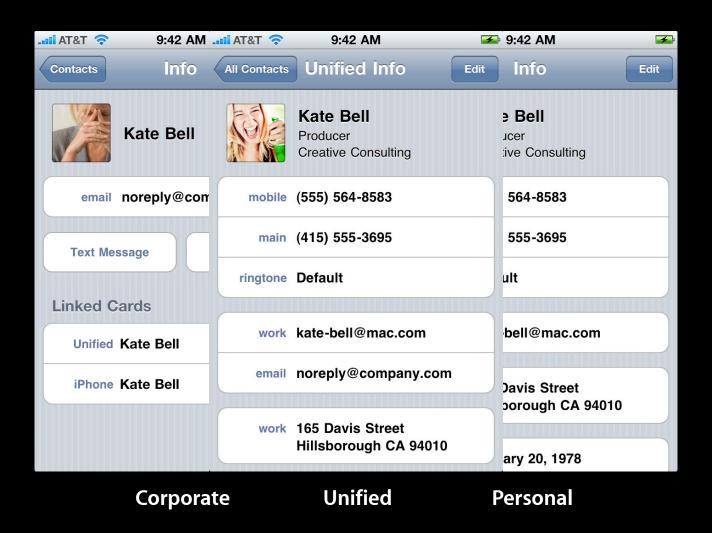


Person

- Represents an individual or organization
- Properties
 - Single value
 - Multiple values



Linking



Linking

iOS4

- Multiple records for the same individual
 - Corporate source (MS Exchange)
 - Personal source (MobileMe)
- Automatically linked when added
- You can access the linked people

CFArrayRef people =
 ABPersonCopyArrayOfAllLinkedPeople(person);













Group

- Many-to-many relationship to person
- No ownership relation
- Not supported by all sources





People Picker Navigation Controller



Person View Controller



Unknown Person View Controller

Let's Put It All Together

- Photo cutouts
- Pick a contact
- Get the contact's photo
- Present the contact's information



Photo Cutouts A fair in your iPhone!

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What You Just Saw

- Ready to use view controllers
 - ABPeoplePickerNavigationController
 - ABPersonViewController
- Linked people

CFArrayRef people = ABPersonCopyArrayOfAllLinkedPeople(person);

The Next Step

- Saving the user's creations
- Sharing the user's creations

Saving and Sharing

The more the merrier

Eric Gillum

iPhone Software Engineer

What You Just Saw

- Save record IDs
- Save extra info just in case
- Record IDs do not carry over to other devices
- Match using the name

CFArrayRef people = ABAddressBookCopyPeopleWithName(addressBook, name);

- Fine tune the matching using other fields
- ABUnknownPersonViewController for contacts not in Address Book

Bigger Is Better Photo cutouts on the iPad



Popovers



Very Little Work

- Very few Address Book-related changes
- Use popovers when necessary
- Let the frameworks do the rest

Improving The User Experience

- Making your app more responsive
- Responding to background changes

Responsiveness

- Matching on a background thread
 - Use a different instance of Address Book
 - Send ABRecordID back to the main thread
 - + (void)detachNewThreadSelector:@selector(backgroundMatching)...

```
- (void)backgroundMatching {
   ABAddressBookRef ab = ABAddressBookCreate();
   // match people
   NSArray *people = [self matchPeopleWithAddressBook:ab];
   // extract recordIDs
   NSArray *recordIDs = [self recordIDsOfPeople:people];
   [self performSelectorOnMainThread:@selector(found:) withObject:recordIDs];
   CFRelease(ab);
}
```

person = ABAddressBookGetPersonWithRecordID(mainAddressBook, recordID);

Multitasking

Register to hear about external changes

ABAddressBookRegisterExternalChangeCallback(ab, myFunctionPointer, context);

Revert to get the latest changes

ABAddressBookRevert(ab);

- Redo people matching
- Update the UI
- Save your changes

ABAddressBookSave(ab, &error);

Summary

- Take advantage of the new linking features
- Multitasking means more background changes
- With just a little code you get a lot of functionality

More Information

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Documentation

Address Book Documentation http://developer.apple.com/iphone

Apple Developer Forums

http://devforums.apple.com

Related Sessions

Adopting Multitasking on iPhone OS, Part 1 (Repeat)	Marina Friday 9:00AM
Adopting Multitasking on iPhone OS, Part 2 (Repeat)	Marina Friday 10:15AM

Labs

Address Book and Contacts Lab

Application Frameworks Lab A Wednesday 4:30PM – 6:30PM

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