#### Mobile work

# readings:

## mandatory:

- Luff, P. & Heath, C.: *Mobility in collaboration*, 1998
- Fallman, D.: Enabling Physical Collaboration in Industrial Settings by Designing for Embodied Interaction, 2003
- de Sa, M., Shamma, D. & Churchill, E.: *Live mobile collaboration for video production: design, guidelines, and requirements,* 2014 *additional readings:*
- Belotti, V. & Bly, S.: Walking away from the desktop computer: distributed collaboration and mobility in a product design team, 1996
- Kristoffersen, S. & F. Ljungberg: *Making place" to make IT work:* empirical explorations of HCI for mobile CSCW, 1999
- Ciolfi, L. & de Cavalho, A.F.P.: Work Practices, Nomacidity and the Mediational Role of Technology, 2014
- Weilenmann, A. & Larsson, C: Collaborative use of mobile telephones: A field study of Swedish teenagers, 2000
- Holone, H. & Herstad, J.: Negotiating privacy boundaries in social applications for accessibility mapping, 2010
- Weilenmann, A.: Mobile Methodologies: Experiences from Studies of Mobile Technologies-in-Use, 2001
- Churchill, E.F. & Munro, A.J.: *Work/place: mobile technologies and arenas of activity*, 2001

## questions:

- 1. what is mobile work? Who or what is moving?
- 2. Luff & Heath discuss three cases of mobile work: what are they and which challenges of mobile work do each of them illustrate?
  - explain the concepts "micro-mobility", "remote mobility" and "remote and local mobility"
- 3. what are the main differences between computer support for office work and service and maintenance work (according to Fällman)? Would Heath & Luff agree to his view?
- 4. describe the main steps in the design process reported by Fällman
- 5. compare this to the process and lessons described in de Sa et al's paper

## follow-up questions

- 6. Fällman connects mobility with the human body moving in a physical world. How does his view differ from Luff & Heath's take on mobility?
- 7. how do you talk about "awareness" when work is mobile?
- 8. discuss and compare how the three papers discuss "awareness" extra questions:
  - 9. Fällman refers to Bellotti & Bly' paper: what are their view on the challenges and the benefits of mobile work?
  - 10. Belotti & Bly talk about "local mobility". What is it and why does it occur? (shared resources, need for communication)

- 11. what are the challenges in nomadic work?
- 12. what is meant by "nomadicity" and how is it different from mobility?
- 13. how can one design for mobile work? (compensating for challenges, enhancing benefits)
  - o shared resources, need for communication
  - o types of mobility: micro, remote, local
  - o who / what moves
- 14. is designing for nomadic work any different?
- 15. explain how work organization is intertwined with the technical support systems, use examples from CSCW literature
- 16. how does one study mobile work? (see e.g. Weilenmann 2001)