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Lecture Theatre C, Mathematical Institute, North Haugh St Andrews

Programme

10.00 – 11.00 What is Pervasive Computing?
Pervasive computing in many ways addresses age old dreams and visions of human beings. It is relatively difficult to find a concise and well-limited definition of pervasive computing (or its synonym ubiquitous computing). This first lecture shall provide an introduction to and an overview of pervasive computing and the enabling technologies.

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee

11.30 – 12.30 Ad-Hoc Pervasive Computing
A rather interesting part of pervasive computing focuses on ad-hoc networking using either traditional wire networks but also increasingly wireless technology. This lecture will take a look at issues such as wireless technologies, service discovery and applications.

14.15 – 15.15 Current Research in Pervasive Computing
Concluding this mini-series on pervasive computing we shall take a look at a sample of interesting pervasive computing research projects; for example, PEN, CoolTown, Fabric Area Networks, Pollen, and others.