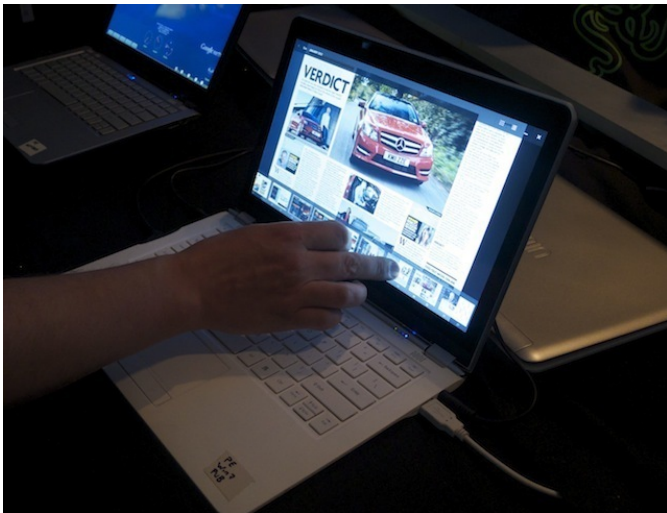


Intel Prototypes Touchscreen Ultrabook

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Intel's CeBIT 2012 stand might be mostly gamer-centric (thanks to the "Intel Extreme Masters Hall") but curious visitors can also find a pleasant surprise-- a 13.3" prototype ultrabook with a built-in touchscreen.



The touch-enabled ultrabook carries a capacitive display and is powered by a 1.5GHz Ivy Bridge processor. Touch input works as well as any tablet, allowing one to easily navigate through the installed Zinio magazine app.

Few details are available on specifications-- the prototype has x2 USB ports, SIM and SD card slots, and a HDMI port. NFC functionality might also be on board... at least according to a piece of medical tape stuck on the prototype saying "NFC."

It uses Windows 7-- although one can easily imagine it being even better with the upcoming Windows 8. Intel does say OEM touchscreen laptop designs are already "in the pipeline," and models should hit the market by the end of 2012.

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