

Conversion Rate Optimization Workshop – Let's optimize!

Agenda

- 1 Create mobile conversions load times and design
- 2 Conversion Rate Optimization the process
- 3 Quantitative and qualitative research
- 4 Heuristic evaluation LIFT Model and checklists
- 5 Prioritize ideas
- 6 Methodology
- 7 Let's go!

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Measurement Attribution Search Video Conversion Rate Optimization Analytics

The specialist team











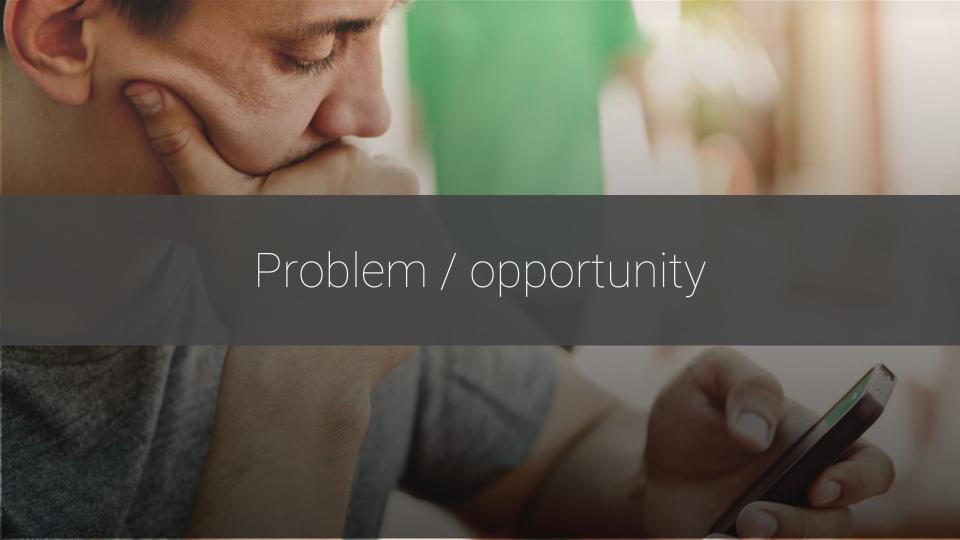
Discover **problems** (slash opportunities!)



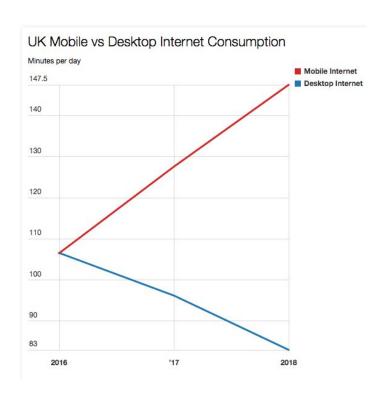
Help priority clients get the knowledge their teams need to **fix** the problems

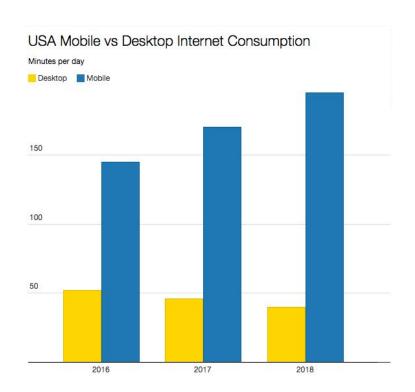


Fixed problems give higher **results**!



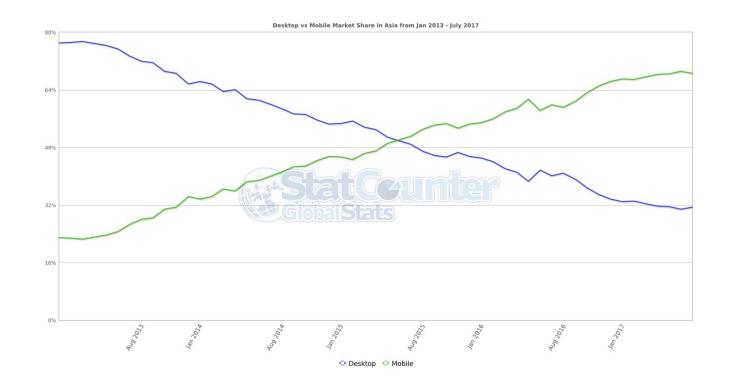
Time spent on mobile vs desktop - Digiday







Market share mobile vs desktop in Asia - StatCounter



Desktop

Mobil





Bad at mobile

= big problems

Good at mobile

= great possibilities



Master mobile

with...

Speed

we need to help our developers

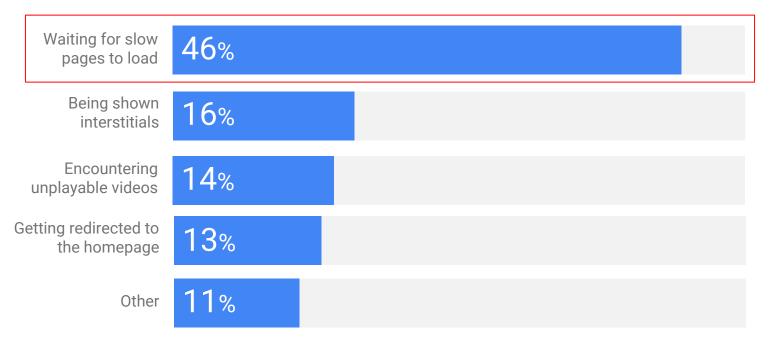
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CRO will help us

A different design



What do you dislike the most when browsing the web on your mobile device?



How to get great at speed



1. To your analytics

Start making speed a part of your KPIs



2. To your developers

Get the knowledge you need, and give them resources to finish the project



3. To your creative team

Introduce a performance budget.
This will connect developers and creatives



Let's fix this together

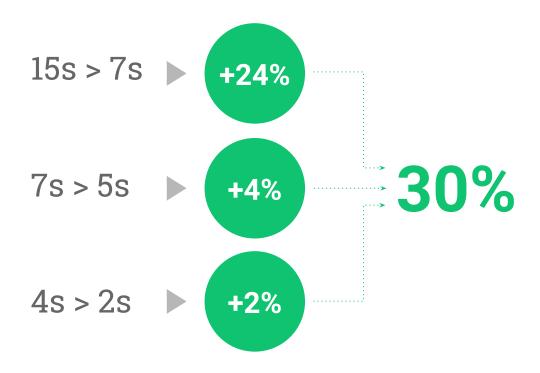




53% abandon a site that loads in more than

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| Speed = conversions





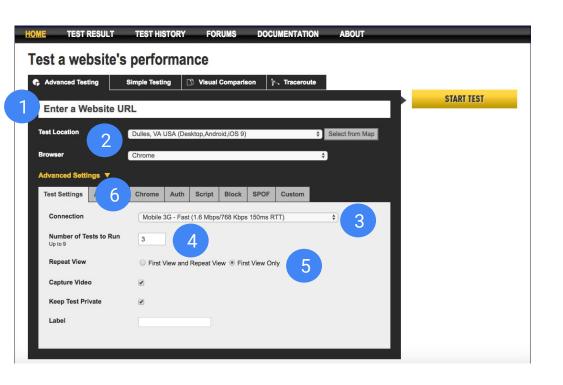
How

fast

are you on mobile?



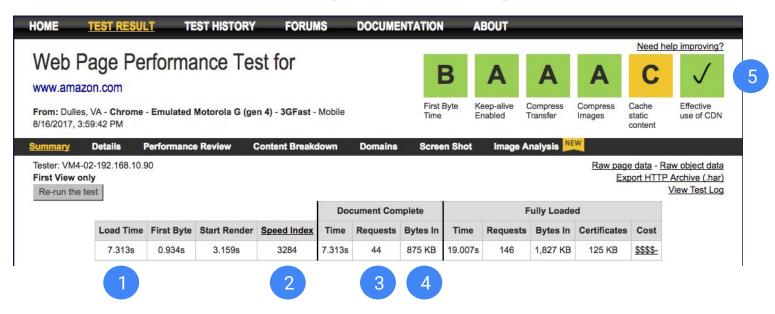
Go to WebPageTest.org



- Fnter url
- Test location: Choose a location that is closest to the market for your site.
- Choose connection: 3G Fast for Northern Europe and US, 3G Regular for Southern Europe.
- 4. Number of tests to run: 3
- 5. Choose "First view only"
- Click on the tab Chrome, and click in "Emulate mobile browser" and choose "Motorola G (gen 4)".



How to read WebPageTest.org – basic



- Load time should be below 5 s.
- 2. **Speed Index** should be below 3000.
- 3. **Requests** should be below 40, if you're not really good at optimizing code.
- 4. **Bytes In** should be below 1,000 Kb, if you're not really good at optimizing code.
- 5. The grades go from A to F how many A:s do you have?



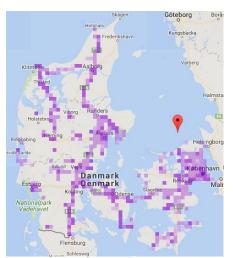


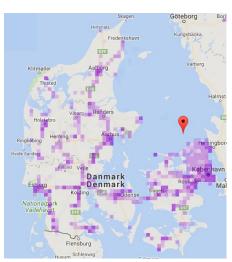
Why

do we measure on 3G Fast?

70% of cellular network connections globally will occur at 3G or slower speeds through 2020

Central Copenhagen is **not** the world – build for slower networks

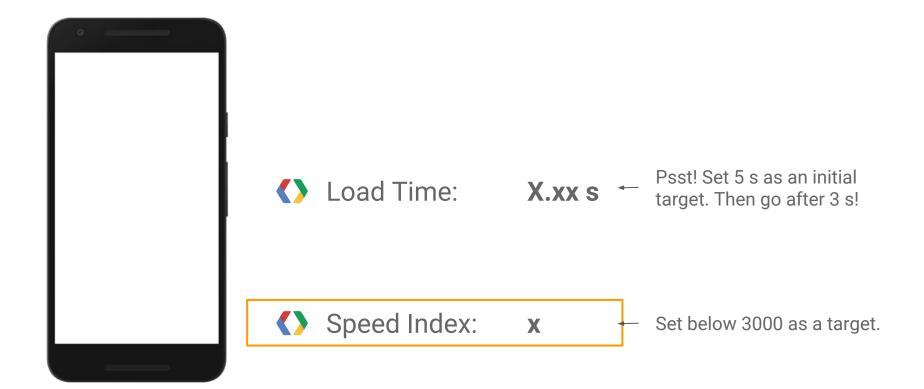




4G coverage in Denmark Source: Sensorly



How fast are you?





On average the majority of the loading size of web pages is coming from images

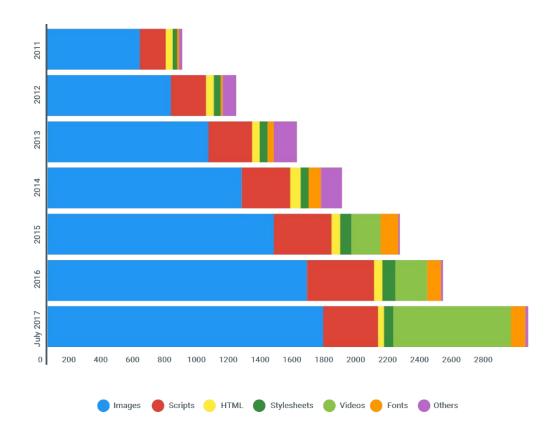


The average web page weight has now reached

3_{MB}

Best practice:

1 MB





To do – help fix speed

Clean old pages, and to this before new ones:

- ☐ Compress images (test, but it's possible to save images on a quality of 50%).
- → Shorten pages.
- Remove all the images you don't need.
- → A/B test if you really get a better conversion rate with video.
- ☐ Cut all the tools (scripts) you don't need.

Process

Create monthly meetings when the load times of pages in the funnel are measured in WebPageTest.org and discussed. Gather developers, designers and managers. Together you will succeed!



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Speed

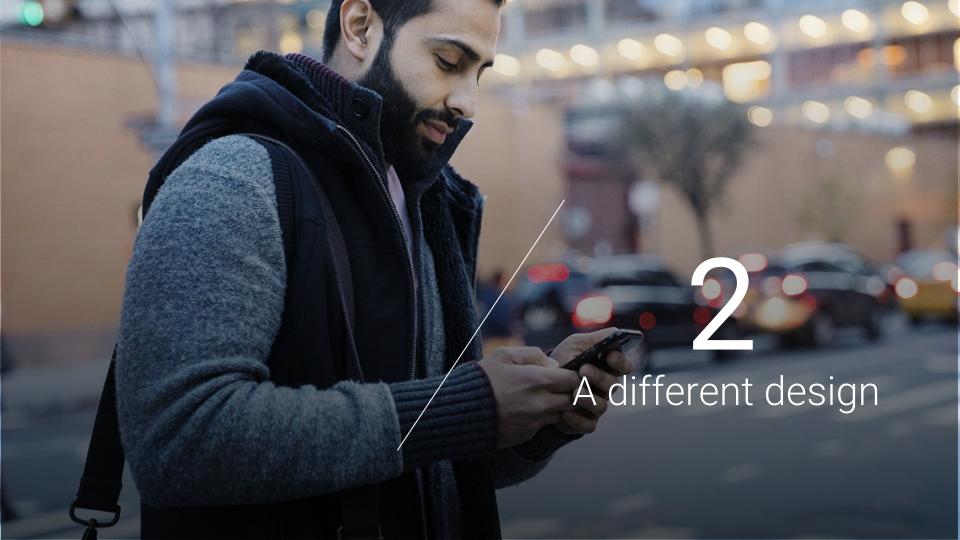
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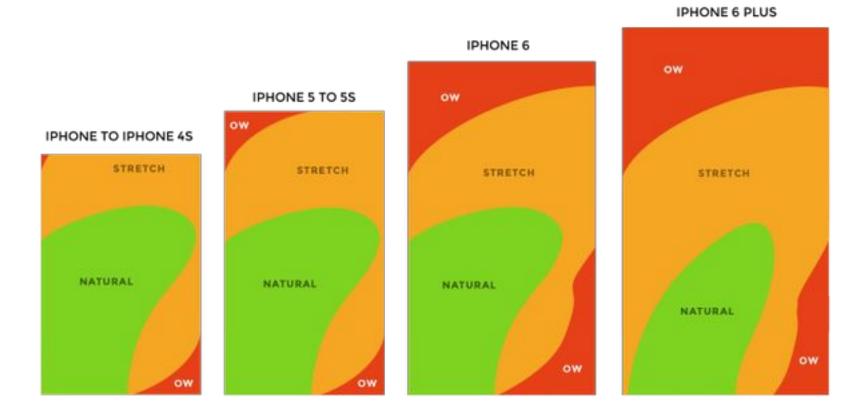




Mobile is challenging

New behavior - new traditions

The reach of the thumb

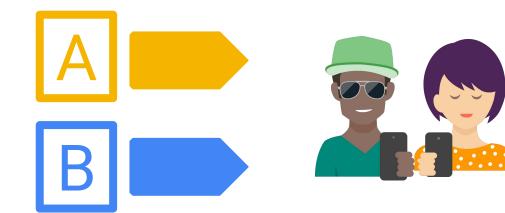




Mobile is empowering!



Conversion Rate Optimization (CRO)

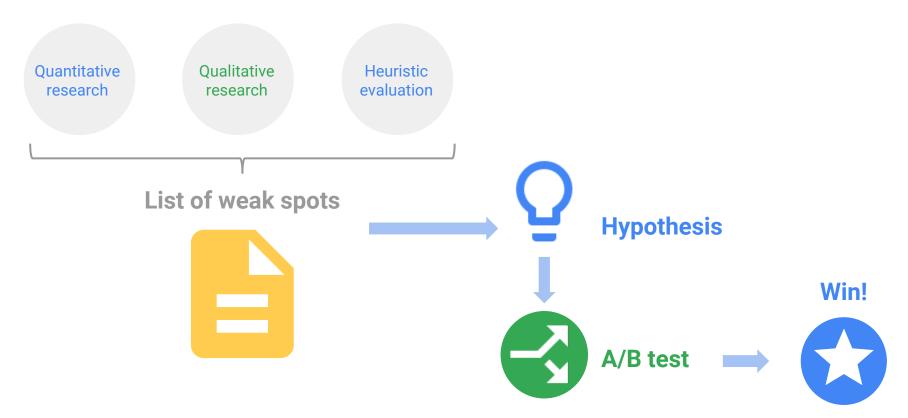








The Conversion Rate Optimization process



Some of the CRO enthusiasts



Booking.com



Developed their own machine learning tool and algorithm for multivariate testing

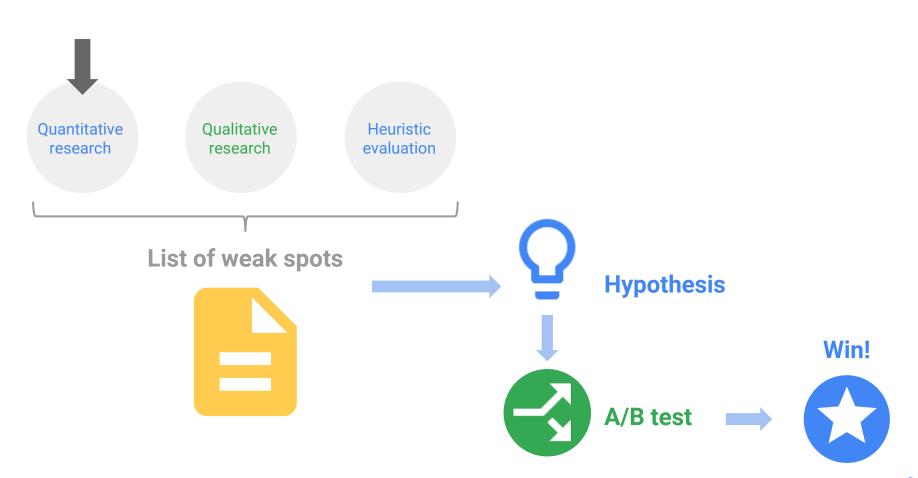
Has been performing A/B testing for a decade

Get both engineers and creatives involved in CRO



CRO methods

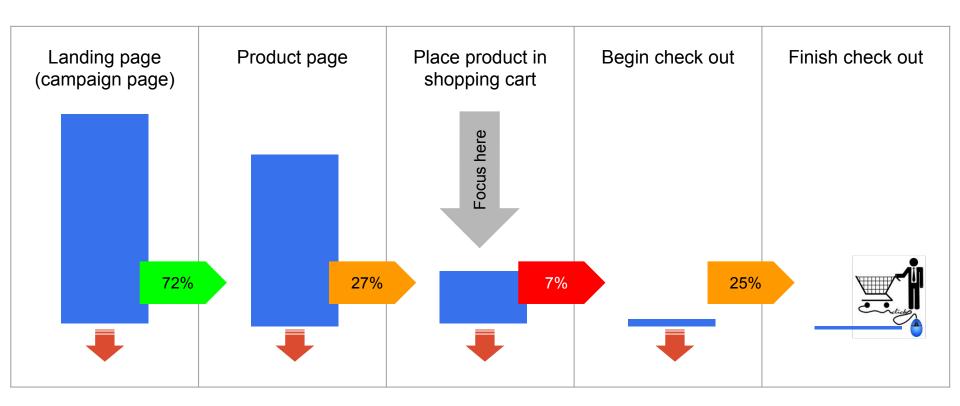


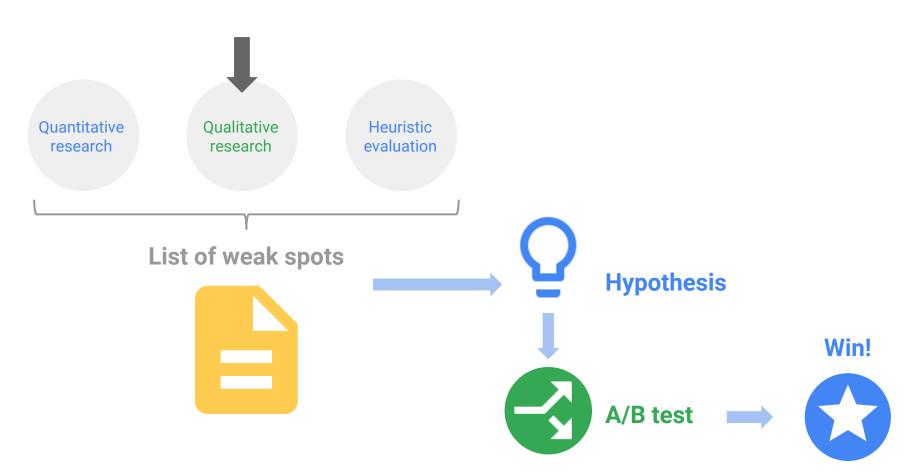


Research with the help of Google Analytics



Find weak spots in the funnel







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Qualitative research



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- Give your user an assignment and ask them to think aloud.
- Register feelings, problems and bugs.



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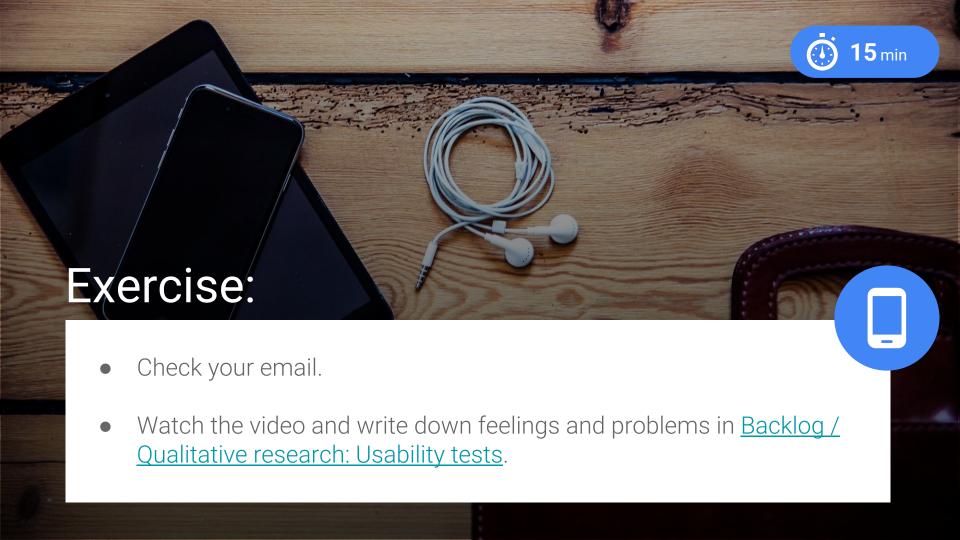
What users like (+)

What users dislike (-)

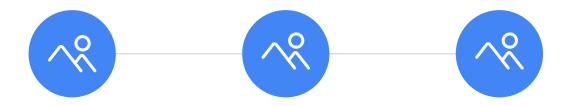
Ideas users came up with (*)

Questions users had (?)

Google



| Qualitative research



Once a month: Usability tests

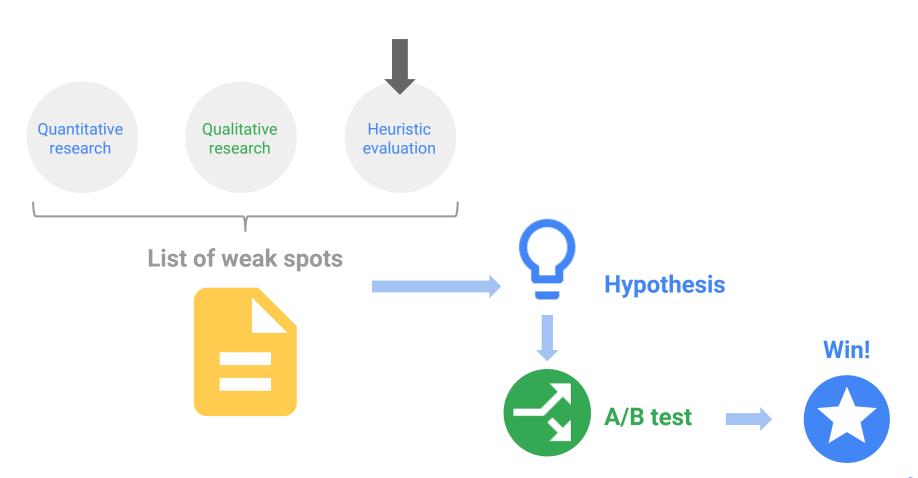
Give an assignment, use screen recording.

Before every new page: Visitor recordings

Watch the visitors for one hour.

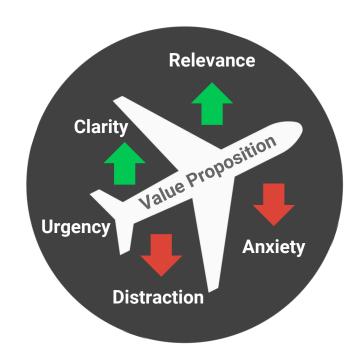
Possible addition: Heat maps





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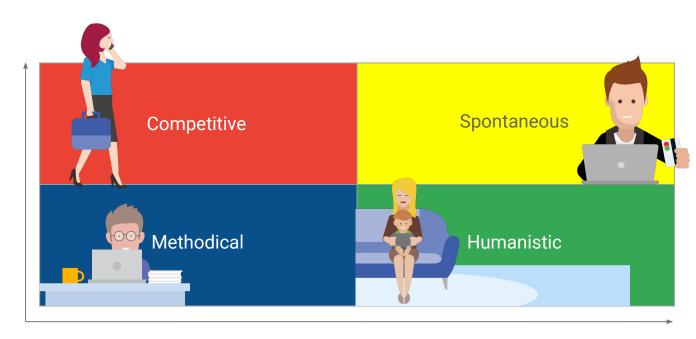


4 behavior types

By Bryan Eisenberg

Fast-paced decisionmaking

Slow-paced decisionmaking

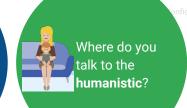


Logical Emotional



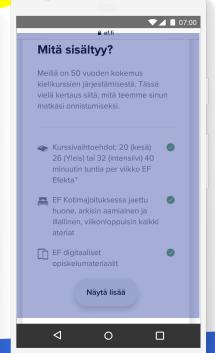














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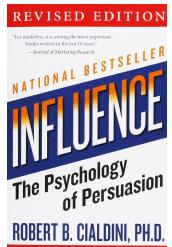


What can we add for the 4 behavior types?

6 persuasion techniques

- Reciprocity
 Give a gift, and they will give in return.
- Scarcity
 People want more of all that there's less of.
- 3. Authority
 We follow knowledgable experts.
- 4. Consistency
 People want to be consistent with what they've previously said or done.
- 5. Principle of liking
 People say yes to the ones they like.
- Consensus
 People look to the actions and opinions of others to determine their own.







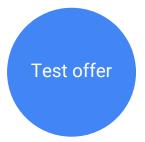


Think big!

How can A/B tests help you?









Value Proposition

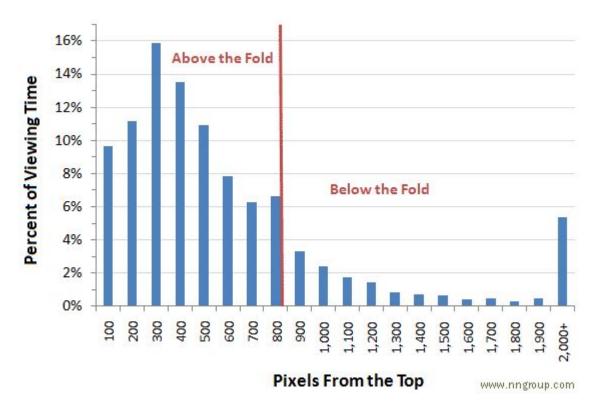
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- 2. A clear Value Proposition

Both above the fold!



Above the fold

A Nielsen Norman Group study in 2010, investigating 57 453 eyetracking fixations, showed that web users spend 80% of their time looking at information above the page fold. Although users do scroll, they allocate only 20% of their attention to below the fold.



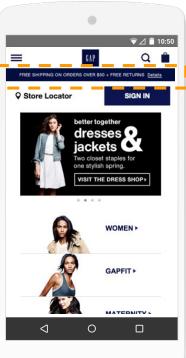
"Users do scroll, but only if what's above the fold is promising enough."

Jakob Nielsen, Nielsen Norman Group



Display your value proposition at every step of the funnel

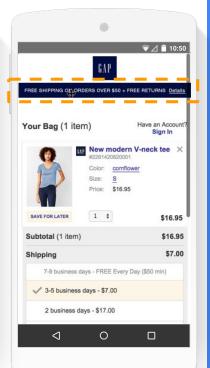
Homepage



Product detail



Checkout



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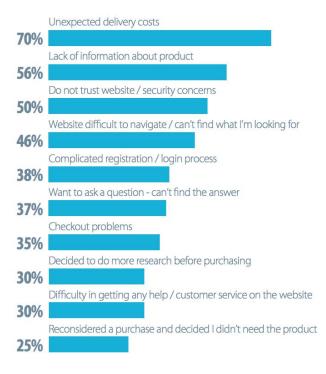
Display your value proposition at every steps of the booking funnel to reassure users at all time.

What's more, you don't know where users will land on your site, so it's important to display your value proposition on every page.

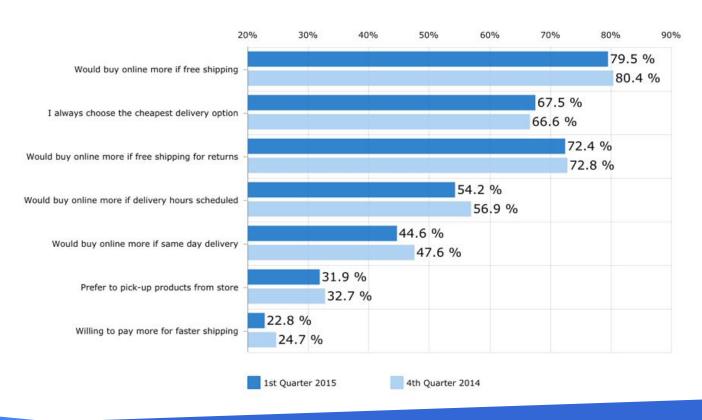
Expected business impact:



Retail – watch out for delivery costs! One of the most important reasons to leave the basket



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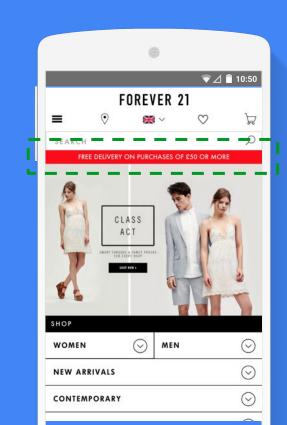
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Recommendations for retail:

Use "Free delivery and returns".



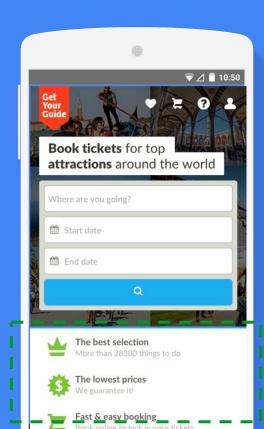
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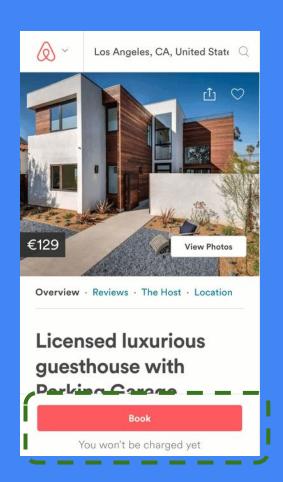
- Free cancellation
- Security
- Possibility to save money
- Something about the nature of travel that sticks out



Sticky CTA

Recommendations:

Test the use of a sticky CTA above the fold. You can grey it out until the user selects the right size/color.

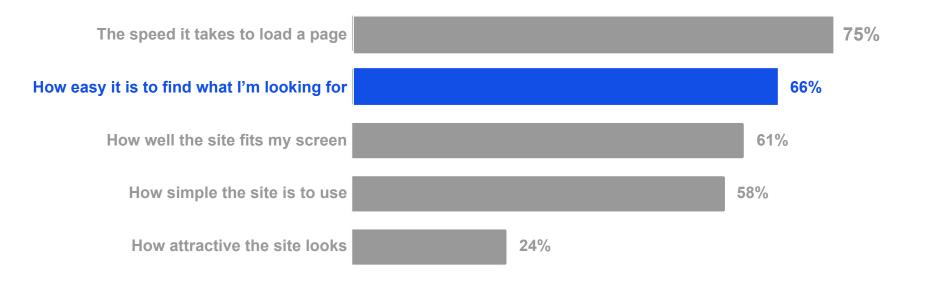


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Findability is crucial!

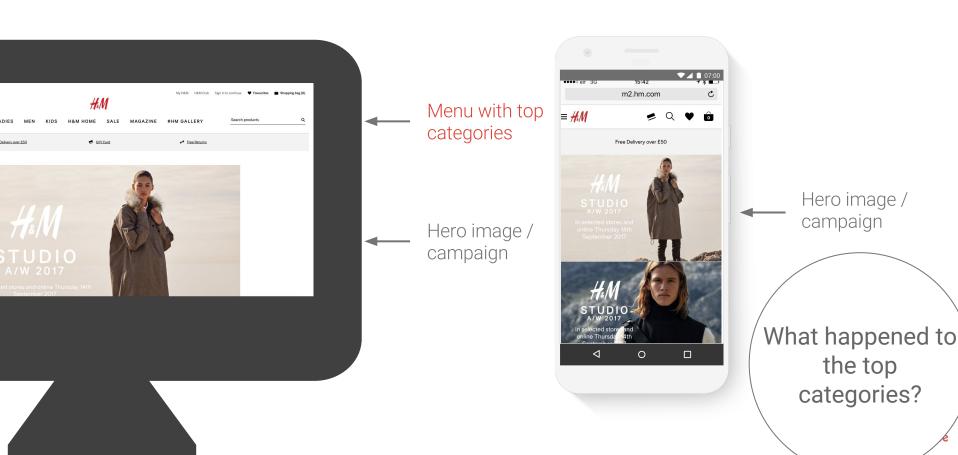


Indisputable truth:

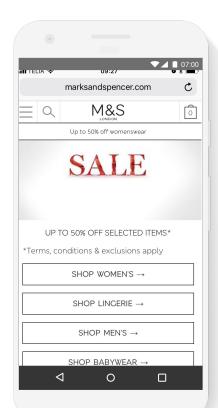
You can't buy something that you can't find.

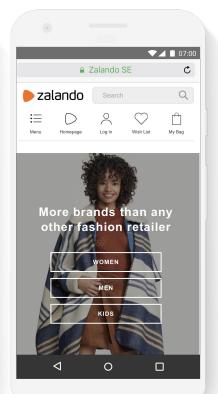


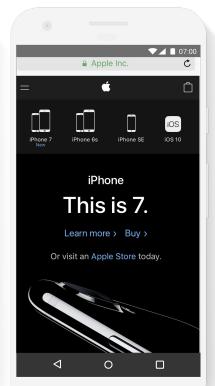
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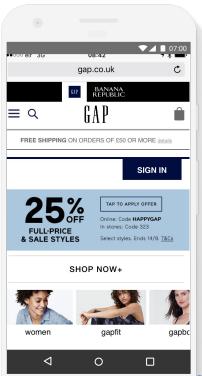


How do others solve this?











One final thing about clarity on mobile...

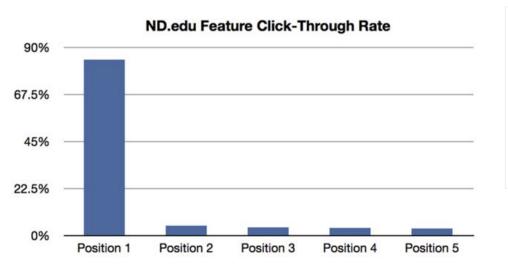


One final thing about clarity on the homepage...

Don't solve limited space with a slider!



Why sliders are a bad idea



- Reason #1: Human eye reacts to movement (and will miss the important stuff)
- Reason #2: Too many messages equals no message
- Reason #3: Banner blindness

RESEARCH: http://conversionxl.com/dont-use-automatic-image-sliders-or-carousels-ignore-the-fad/
http://www.clickz.com/clickz/column/2164452/rotating-banners
https://www.nngroup.com/articles/auto-forwarding/
https://crikrunyon.com/2013/01/carousel-stats



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3.5s 6.5s





http://shouldiuseacarousel.com/



If you had problems with findability in your usability test - listen up!

How to solve browsing



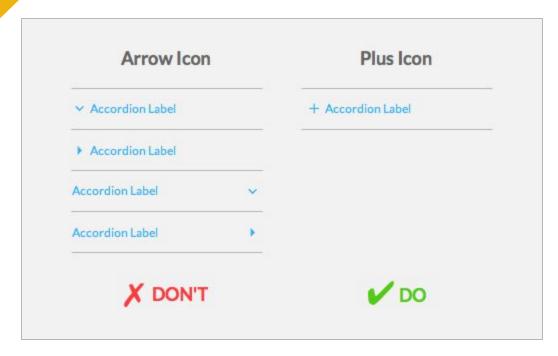
Solve browsing

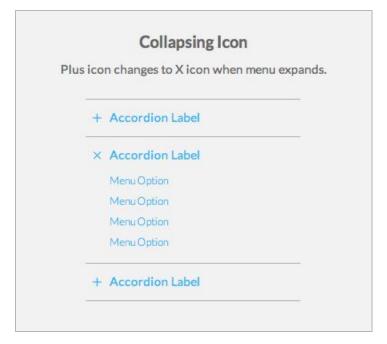
- Show top categories (and potentially sub categories) on the homepage.
- ☐ Find the right top categories!
- In the menu, focus on what's crucial for navigation. Use + for sub categories.



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The plus icon (+) versus arrows (>) in accordion menus







Clarity in text

Most visitors don't read - they scan!

- Keep track of where the text changes row on mobile. Test on different devices.
- Write short paragraphs.
- Write short sentences.
- Use appropriate font size.
- Test long vs short copy

- Highlight keywords.
- Use meaningful sub headers.
- Use bullet lists.

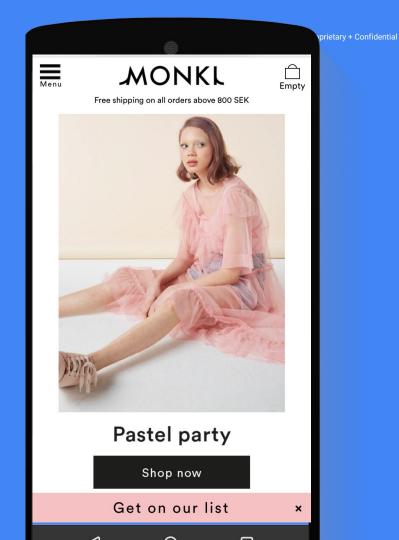
Remove half of the words on the page – then remove half of what's left!

/ Steve Krug





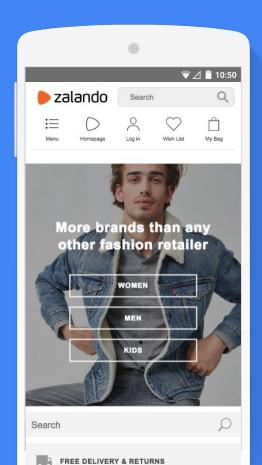
Use appropriate font size



Write words under icons in the top menu

Recommendations:

We can't take for granted that visitors will understand the meaning of icons – write words.

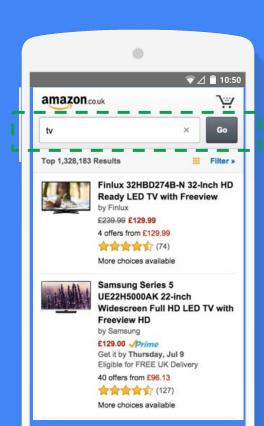


Make the search field folded out, not just an icon

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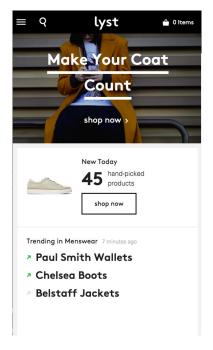
Visitors who search convert more often.

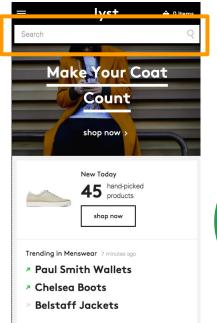
Make search easier to find, by folding out the search field. Not just on the homepage, but on category pages and product pages as well.



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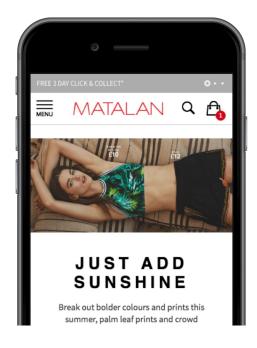


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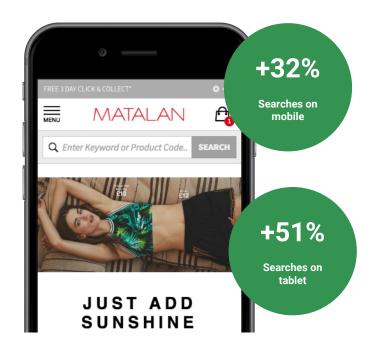
After

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Before - Search bar not fully exposed



After - Search bar exposed on all pages



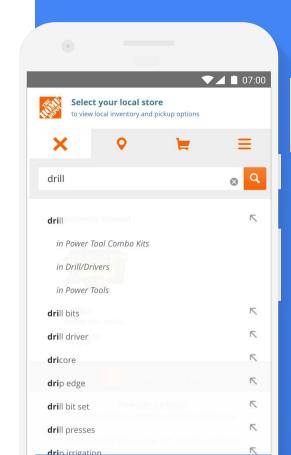
Use auto-suggestions and implement spelling suggestions

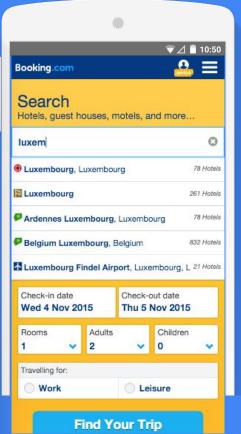
Recommendations:

- Visitors who use search are 200% more likely to convert.
- But 22% of the searches give zero results.
- 85% of the searches didn't give what the visitors were looking for.
- 80% abandoned the site.

Create a great search experience!

Google





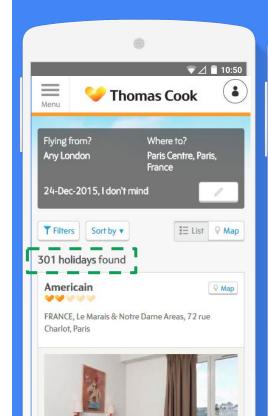
Show the number of search results

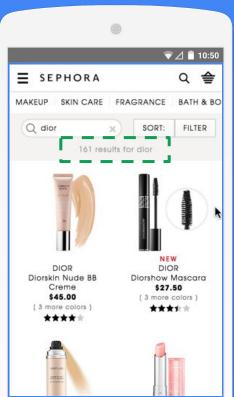
Recommendations:

Visitors want to know how many results there are before they start scrolling.

If there are too many results, they want to sort, filter and perform a new, more exact search.

Without the number of results visible, they have to discover it themselves when using the site.



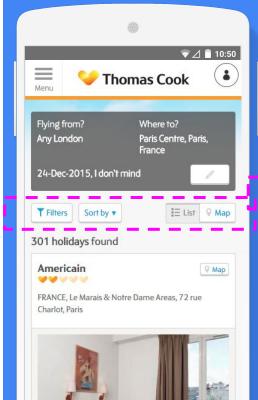


Make it possible to sort and filter the results

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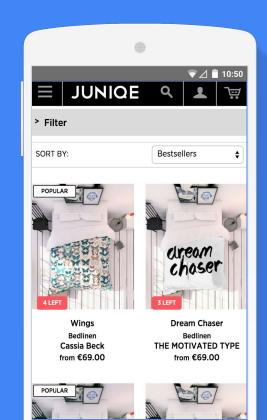
Visitors don't want to scroll through hundreds of results that might not be relevant.

Consider adding filtering / sorting at the end of the list as well.





Show how many items that are left in stock

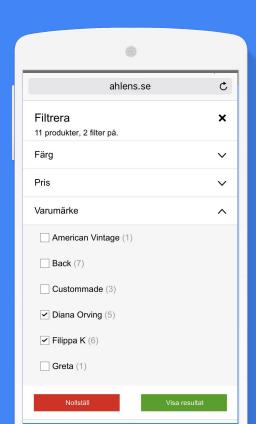


Use advanced filtering

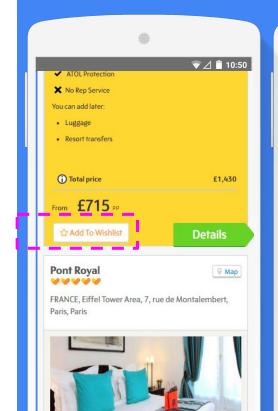
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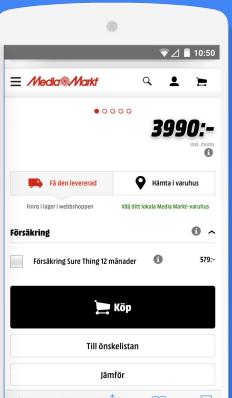
Let users pick several choices when they filter.

Show how many products the search will lead to, in order to avoid visitors doing a search and getting zero results.

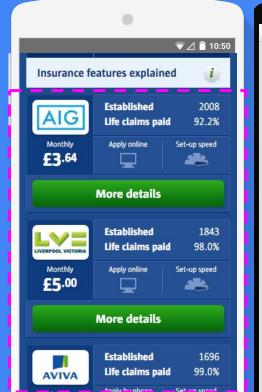


Offer both "Put in basket" and "Save favorite"



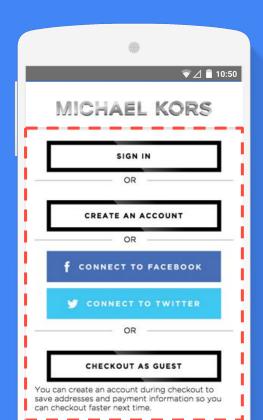


For difficult choices, offer product comparison





Offer several ways to buy



Let's battle!

How's your clarity?

Let's battle! Your site against a competitor

1. HOME/LANDING PAGE	2. MENU & NAVIGATION	3. SEARCH	4. CATEGORY/PRODUCT	5. CONVERSION	6. FORMS
Clear CTA above the fold Clear value proposition above the fold Prioritize your value propositions to 1–2 above the fold Repeat your value proposition in every part of the funnel Avoid automatic sliders Show top categories on the homepage Use appropriate font size	Show compressed menu If the physical stores are important, show an icon to find a store in the menu Try to reduce menu choices to fill only one screen Sort the primary menu after traffic. If subcategories are used, sort them alphabetically Write words under icons in the top menu	Make the search field folded out, not just an icon Use auto-suggestions Implement spelling suggestions Show the number of search results Make it possible to sort and filter the results	Make it possible to sort and filter Add urgency Show how many items that are left in stock Use advanced filtering (to be able to choose several and show how many products each category will bring) Offer both "Put in basket" and "Save favorite" For difficult choices, offer product comparison		
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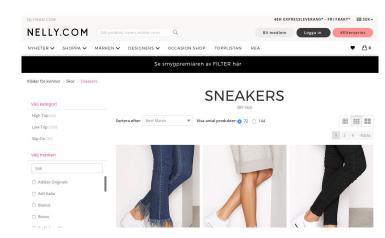
Pattern-matching mind frame



I want sneakers!



Sneeeaakeerss...



Yay! Sneakers!



Pattern-matching mind frame

Check Google Analytics or Search Console for the search terms people use, and highlight them on the landing pages.

Sneakers

sneakers for men sneakersnstuff sneakers for women

Press Enter to search.



Relevance

- Make sure you keep an information scent between ad, landing page and product page
- Personalization based on ad, source, behavior or phase in the buyer's journey help increase relenance.

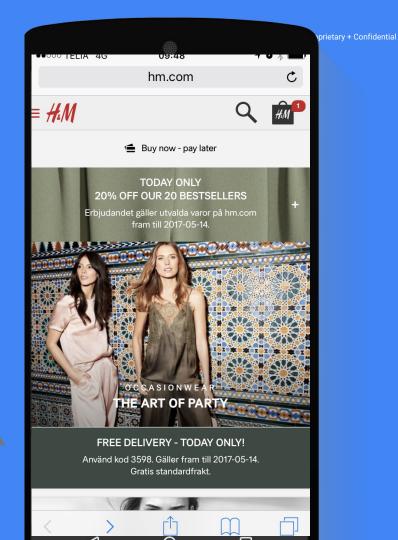
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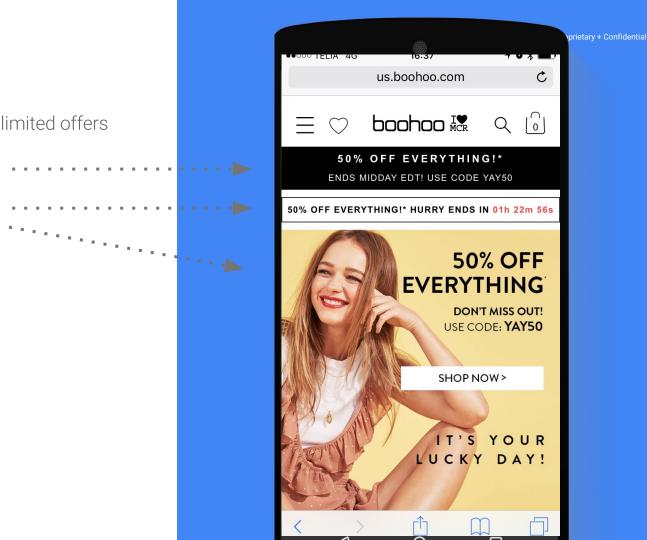
Urgency

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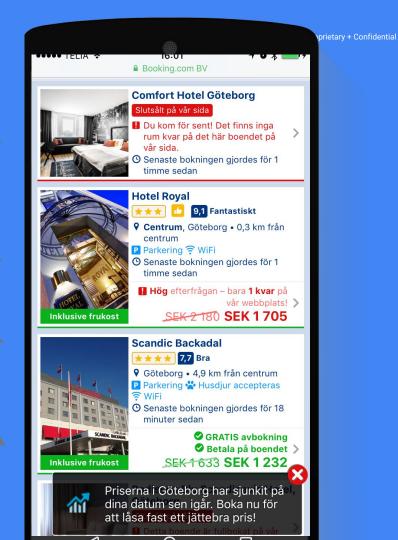
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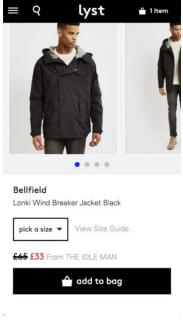
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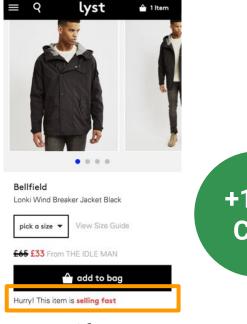


AIBTOS

Urgency: Highlighted fast selling products



Before







The LIFT Model

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Mobile: Little space – little time

Don't waste!



Hunter

Wants to find specific information or perform a specific task fast.



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- Easy to find
- Easy to compare
- Easy to buy

Gatherer

Wants to look around, fill time and be inspired.



- Easy to see broad info
- Easy to understand the brand
- Easy to connect in the future



Task oriented

- Where are they landing?
- Can they easily find their target?
- What's the primarily task on each page?
- If the task is to buy, are the pages focusing on that task?
- If not, what's more important, than to buy?

Inspo browsing

- Where are they landing?
- What are you giving them?





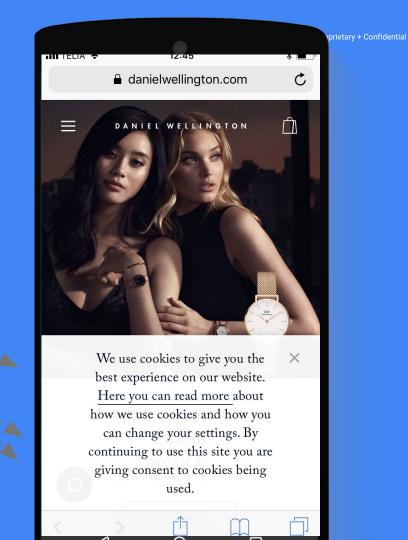
Reduce distraction

Is the important tasks on this page...

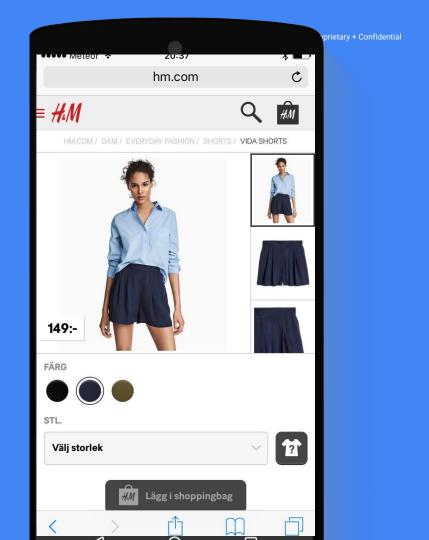
- Cookies?
- Chat? *.
- Newsletter pap up?
- Or to buy?

What about buying the product?

Google



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Usual anxieties







"Will the size fit?"

"How long does the delivery take?

Thoughts before the purchase

"If I have complaints, will they take care of me?

"Will I be able to return easily? And without fee?"





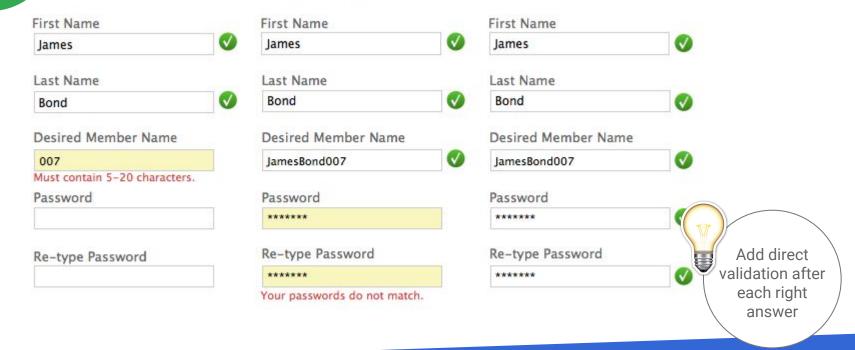
Do you get a good feeling now?

Select an ID and passwo	rd					
A Yahoo! ID and Email	(a)	yahoo.co.ul		Check		This information is required information
Password	Password Strength					
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. In case you forget your II	or password					
Alternative e-mail					X	Invalid Email address
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Do you get a good feeling now?

Instant Validation





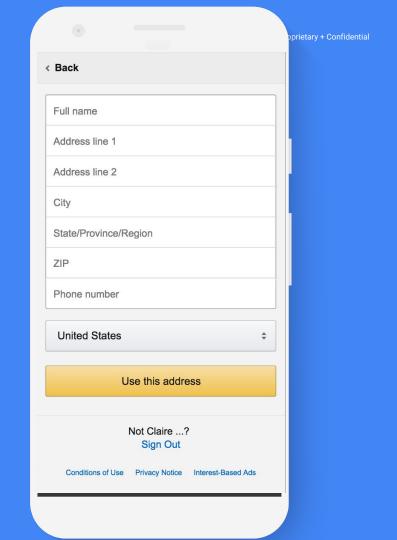
Reduce number of checkout fields

Recommendations:

27% of users abandon orders due to a "too long / complicated checkout process".

Best performing e-commerce sites have 6-8 fields, total of 12 form elements. Average retail checkout flow has 14.88 form fields.

Source

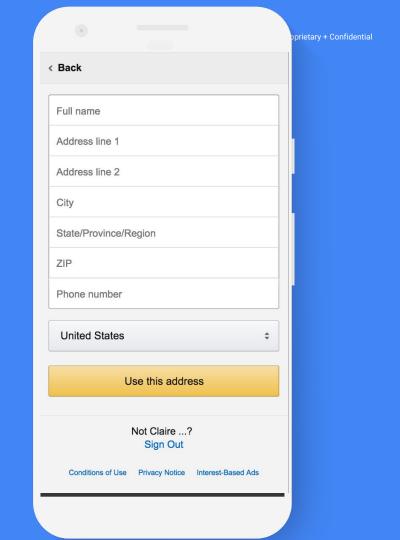


One solution: Google Address Autocomplete

Recommendations:

We suggest you to try the **Google Places API** to auto fill the address field, predicting the location the user may input:

- Easier and faster for users (1 field vs. 4-5)
- Ensure an address validation, minimizing the risk of a wrong or non-existing place



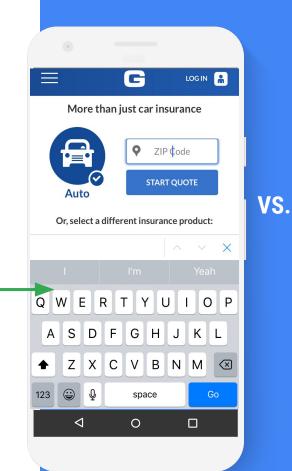
Use the correct keypads

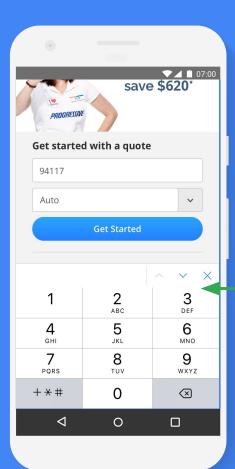
Recommendations:

Always make sure to display the correct keypad. This ensures that users can enter digits straight away without having to change the input mask.

Use numeric for:

- Zip
- Phone
- Credit card info





Ensure that the correct input type is used



Ext.

Done

3

DEF

MNO

WXYZ

X



How do we solve the purchase step on mobile?



Effort anxiety

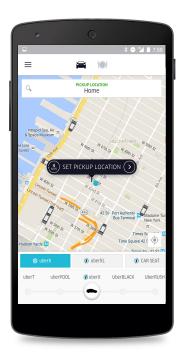
54%

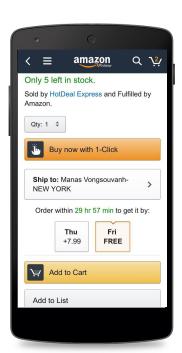
of users will quit before doing yet another signup

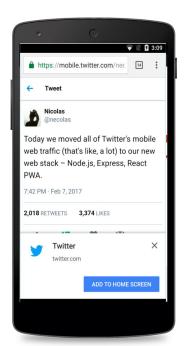
92%

of users will give up if they don't remember a username or password

Experiences users are comparing your brand to:



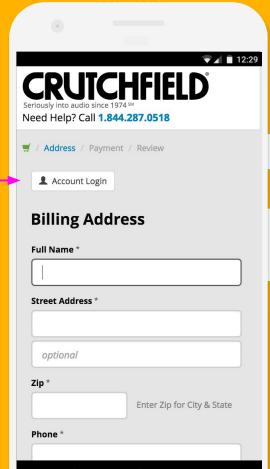


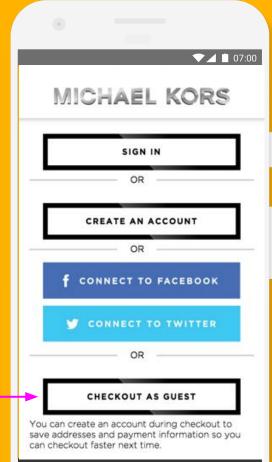




ALLOW CHECKOUT AS GUEST

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FREE SHIPPING ON ORDERS OVER \$75* patagonia **1 Shopping Cart** CHECKOUT You are currently checking out as a quest. If you've already registered with Patagonia.com, please go ahead and Sign In If not, Sign Up. It's fast and easy.

M's Houdini® Jacket

ALLOW CHECKOUT AS GUEST



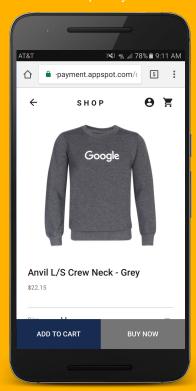
35% of users

would abandon the checkout if retailer does not offer guest checkout.

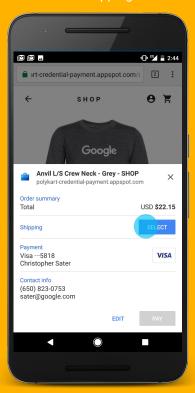
Full research.

Bonus: USE PAYMENT REQUEST API FOR THREE-TAP GUEST CHECKOUT

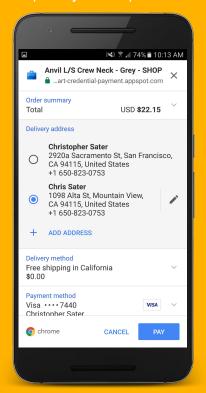
User taps buy button



User selects shipping address



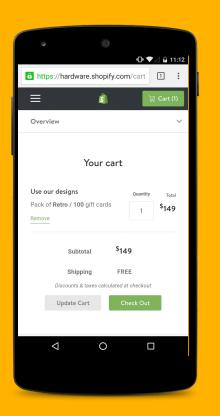
User taps "Pay" to complete checkout



User enters CVV... that's it!



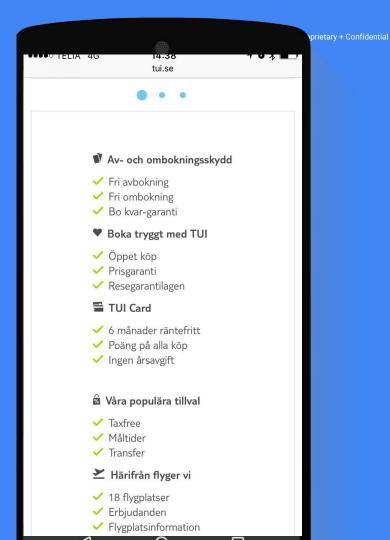
ANDROID PAY (AND APPLE PAY)



- Reduce 5 page mobile web checkout flow to one screen by leveraging what the browser knows about the user (user can always change this information, modify the payment method or add an additional shipping address)
- Introduces more secure, previously unavailable forms of payment to the web (Android Pay)
- Co-developed by major browsers,
 e.g. Chrome, Mozilla, IE, Safari, etc.

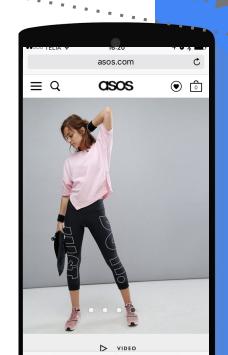
Reduce anxiety

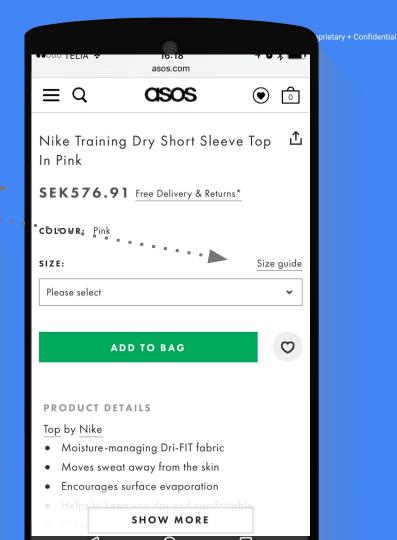
Free cancellation



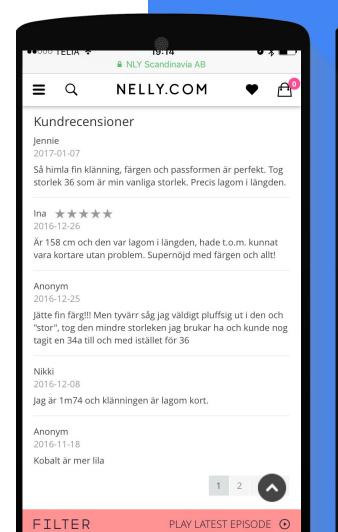
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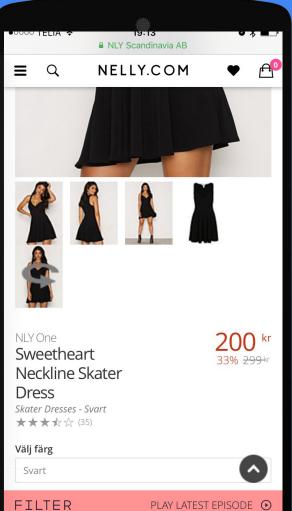
Free delivery, free returns, size guide





Reduce anxiety Social proof





Reduce anxiety Social proof



■ ving.se Hotellet är ett mecka för alla golfälskare, Belle Mare Plages två... Mer > SE PRIS OCH BOKA ✓ All Inclusive mot tillägg WiFi ingår i rummen/lägenheterna Gym 4,8/5 Vings gäster > Omdöme TripAdvisor > Baseras på 34 svar **HOTELLFAKTA** Pool Barnpool Hiss Nei Bar Poolbar Restaurang Minimarket Städdagar/vecka

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Närmaste centrum

Vattenrutschbana

Närmaste strand/bad

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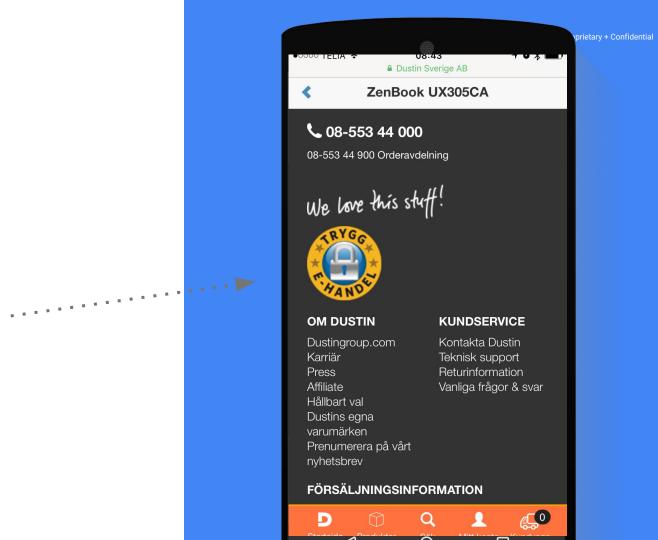
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Internet

Google

Reduce anxiety

Safe e-commerce



Possible tests

Value proposition

- Test tagline, product and offer in big campaigns.
- Design for the 4 behavior types.

Clarity

- Test your way to the perfect homepage. (Campaign area, top categories, sub categories.)
- Test clarity in text. (Keywords, meaningful sub headers, bullet lists.)
- ☐ Improve navigation with tips from the usability tests?

Relevance

Can you increase relevance between ad and landing page?

Urgency

☐ Test to increase conversion rate with urgency.

Reduce distraction

☐ What can you clean out? Do you have one goal?

Reduce anxiety

- ☐ Test if CvR increases by displaying free cancellation, free delivery, free returns, size guide and certification symbols.
- ☐ Test if CvR goes up with social proof and reviews?
- Test 1 click solutions in the checkout.



How to create a great mobile experience

1. HOME/LANDING PAGE	2. MENU & NAVIGATION	3. SEARCH	4. CATEGORY/PRODUCT	5. CONVERSION	6. FORMS
Clear CTA above the fold Clear value proposition above the fold Prioritize your value propositions to 1–2 above the fold Repeat your value	Show compressed menu If the physical stores are important, show an icon to find a store in the menu Try to reduce menu choices to fill only one screen	Make the search field folded out, not just an icon Use auto-suggestions Implement spelling suggestions Show the number of	Make it possible to sort and filter Add urgency Show how many items that are left in stock Use advanced filtering (to be able to choose several	Limit the exit paths in the checkout Show the number of steps in the checkout Repeat value proposition at the point of conversion Test CTAs	Use validation Use the right input type Use autofill where you can Reduce the number of fields as much as possible If the written input is
proposition in every part of the funnel Avoid automatic sliders	Sort the primary menu after traffic. If subcategories are used, sort them alphabetically	search results Make it possible to sort and filter the results	and show how many products each category will bring)	Allow visitors to continue on a different device by offering the option to mail	wrong, give suggestions for what the field is inquiring after
Show top categories on the homepage Use appropriate font size	Write words under icons in the top menu		Offer both "Put in basket" and "Save favorite" For difficult choices, offer product comparison	or save Allow checkout as a guest Add value proposition that	
			Offer several ways to buy Use social proof and reviews	explains why the visitor should create an account	



These 25 Design Principles help you to delight users and drive conversions

Homepage & Site Navigation

- Menus are short and sweet
- Calls-to-action are front and center
- Easy to get back to the homepage
- Promotions don't steal the show

Site Search

- Site search is visible
- Use filters to improve search results
- Search results are relevant
- Guides users to better results

Ability to Convert

- Click-to-call is present
- Users can purchase as a guest
- Users can explore before committing
- Easy to finish on another device
- Existing information is used

Form Entry

- Info entry is streamlined
- Uses toggles/dropdowns to simplify input
- Visual calendars used for data selection
- Minimize errors with real-time validation
- ☐ Form design is efficient (auto-fill)

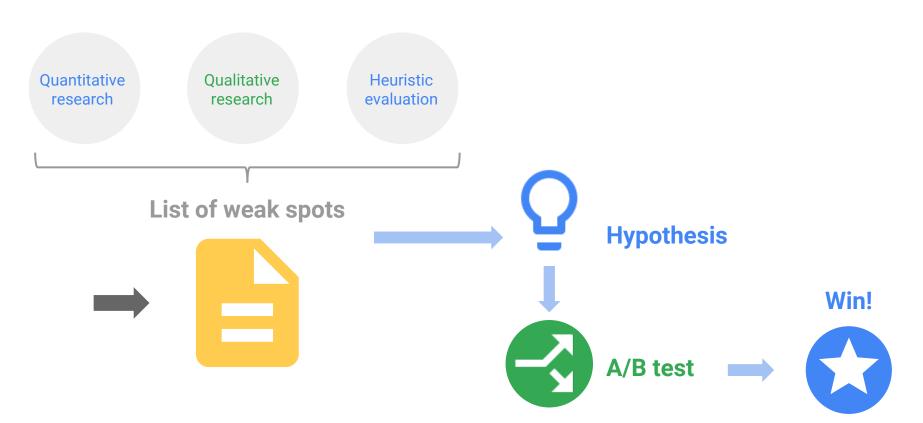
Usability & Form Factor

- Entire site is optimized for mobile
- Don't need to pinch + zoom
- □ Product images are expandable
- Shoppers are told which screen orientation is best
- Users aren't brought to new browser windows
- ☐ Site avoids "full site" labeling
- ☐ Site is clear about why it needs user's location



Let's start A/B testing!



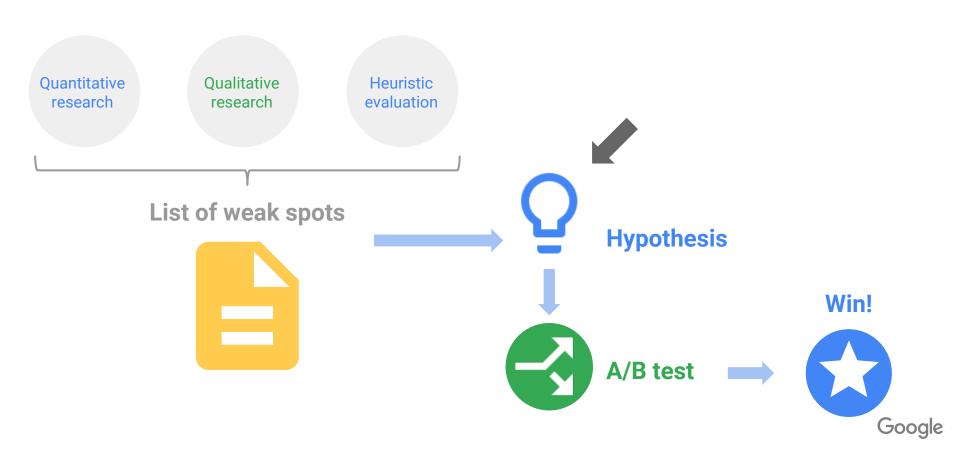


| Prioritize!

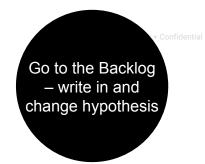
Hypothesis:

Pros	Cons
Potential: (1-5)	Effort: (1-5)
Importance: (1-5)	Backend complications: (1-5)
Traffic: (1-5)	Frontend complications: (1-5)
Sum:	Sum:





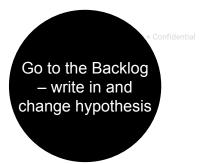
Hypothesis



	Idea	
		Measurable result
By changing		
we will decrease		
since		



| Hypothesis



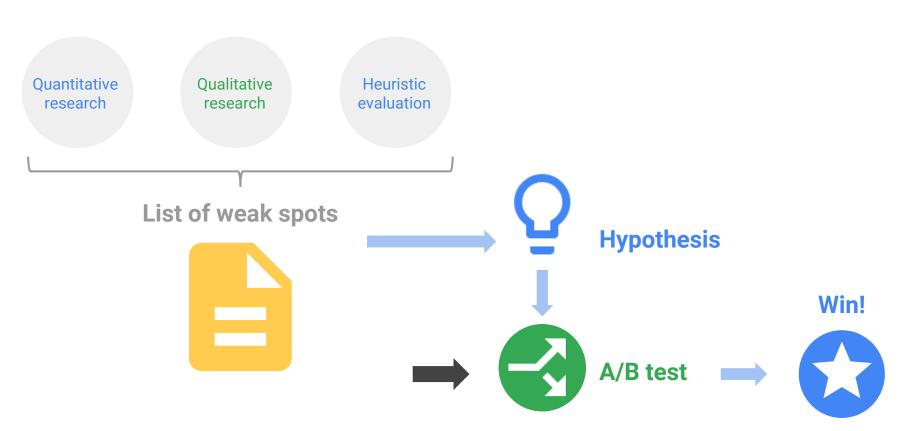
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Idea

Measurable result

since top categories will increase clarity in the navigation.

What research has proved is a problem



CRO methodology

The hard truth...

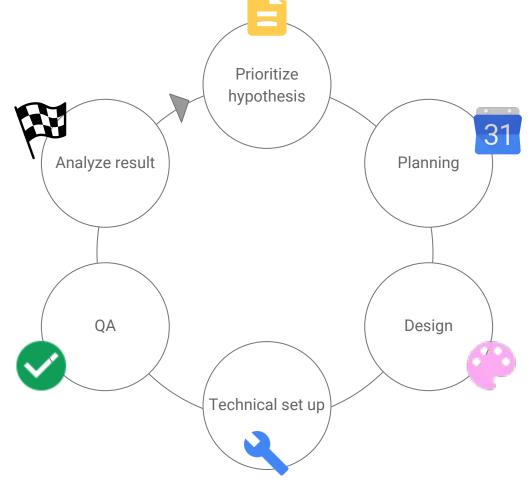




But both is better than indecisive



Process





Good to know

- A/B testing tools focuses on users. Analytics tools focuses on sessions.
- Watch out for tests during christmas campaigns, sales and other seasons when the internal urgency is high. Differences in the conversion rate will be lower between tests. Layout, copy and design have less effect.
- You will lose a lot. A normal win rate usually is about 30%.

- Types of experiment:
 - A/B/n
 - Split test (different url:s)
 - Multivariate (tests all versions in one test)
- Make sure you isolate your tests so that they don't affect each other.
- Peeking problem don't check tests too soon or too often. It may affect your opinion.



Always ask yourself:

If tests don't show a positive outcome – was it due to the hypothesis or the test execution?



Rules

- How much traffic do we need? Reach statistical significance, but don't stop until you have at least 200 conversions for each variant.
- Test where you have enough traffic.

- Test during at least...
 - Whole traffic cycles (whole weeks).
 - At least two traffic cycles (two weeks).
 - At least one business cycle (from the first visit to conversion).
- How long after the above rules?
 - When you have statistical significance.
 - When you have at least 200 conversions per version.



I QA

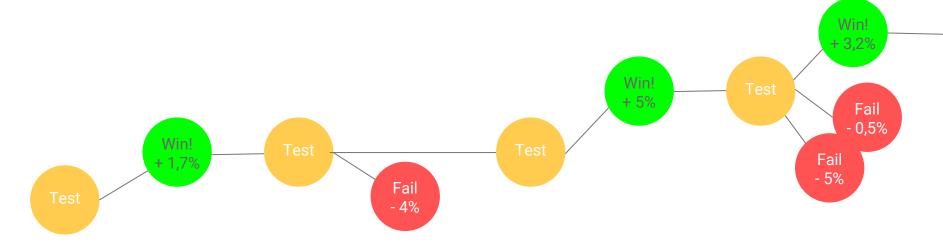
See in-depth checklist in the doc

- Is basic setup for the testing tool up?
- What type of experiment do you want to do?
- Which URL:s will the test show up on?
- Are the goals chosen?
- Is the script on all pages where the test will running and where the goals are?
- Is the experiment segmented for the ones who should be exposed to it?
- Is there enough quota in the tool to make the experiment reach its goal?
- Is the experiment integrated into your analytics tool?
 (GA)
- Are internal IP adresses excluded?

- Use Browser Stack or crossbrowsertesting.com to see the test in different browsers.
- Does the test work on your usual devices?
- Does the website work as regular? Click your way through the normal user journeys to check that everything is working as it should.
- Use CSS for changes in as large extent as possible.
 When starting to use the editor in Optimizely, VWO and Sitegainer they use jquery. Your own CSS us better.



The struggles of A/B testing





Step Fix speed



Step

T Fix speed

Step 2 Create a great mobile design



Step

2.1 Go through the recommendations 2 Create a great mobile design Fix speed 2.2 Prioritize your hypothesis **2.3** Test! Qualitative Quantitative Heuristic evaluation research research Lista with weak spots **Hypothesis** Win! A/B test





All recommendations should be A/B tested!

Get ready to win!



Psst! Stay in touch and let me know how it goes! - lchansson@google.com

THANK YOU!

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