

Designing standards, principles and patterns

Topics: usability and user experience goals

- Design standards
- Design principles & guidelines
- Design patterns

Aim: Design interactive product

- Goals:
- Meet **functionality**
 - **usable**
 - **great user experience**

usability: effective
efficiency
safety
good utility
Easy to learn
Easy to Remember

UX Goals: Satisfying / enjoyable / engaging /
pleasurable / Not boring ...

Design standards

— ISO 9241 Ergonomics
人因工程学

- Set by (inter)national bodies
- More common on hardware

Accessibility: accessible by as many as possible

- Web Accessibility
 - perceivable
 - operable
 - understandable
 - Robust

Principles / Golden Rules / Usability Heuristics \Leftarrow To design products achieve goals / standards

- Are:
- General principle
 - thumb of nails (经验)
 - vague on detail, high level knowledge

Norman. 6. design principles

- visibility
 - Information that matters clearly displayed
 - Not all need to displayed
- feedback
 - effect of actions
 - informative and timely
(e.g.) time remaining
selected items
- Affordance
 - perceived & actual properties
自解释性 \Rightarrow clues of how to use
 - Do: Design sth. w/ attributes provide clues
 - Do not ~ incorrect affordance
- Mapping
 - Controls \leftrightarrow effects
 - clear mapping
 - user feel confident
- Consistent
 - Similar operation \rightarrow ~ tasks
 - follow rules
 - easier to learn / memorize
 - fewer mistakes
- Constraints
 - limit actions, prevent incorrect selection
 - technical / physical

Shneiderman 8 Golden Rules

- Strive for consistency
- Cater to universal usability
- Informative feedback
- Design Dialogue to yield closure
告诉用户操作有结果

Sequences of actions should be organized into groups with a beginning, middle and end. Informative feedback at the completion of a group of actions gives operators the satisfaction of accomplishment, a sense of relief, a signal to drop contingency plans from their minds, and an indicator to prepare for the next group of actions. 意外计划?

- Make error as impossible as possible
example: Insert date vs select calendar
- Easy reversal of actions
 - errors can be undone.
 - ⇒ Relief Anxiety
 - backtrack whatever they are doing
- Support internal locus of control
 - Never feel "How did I get here".
 - Navigations & task action clear
- Reduce short-term memory load.
⇒ Remember fewer information

Nielson 10 Heuristics

1. System status visible
2. Match btw. system and real world.
3. User control and freedom.
 - explore, freedom to navigate, perform
 - undo accidental actions
⇒ Discard? Discard / Keep
4. Error prevention
 - validate user type as they insert
rather than submit
5. Recognition Rather than Recall -
eg. suggesting what you type
6. flexibility and efficiency
eg. advance settings
7. Consistency & standards
8. Aesthetic and minimalist design.
9. Recover from errors → recognize, diagnose, recover.
10. Help / documentation → Empty state, 404 pages shown.
FAQ, Documents

Design depends on user's

- skills and knowledge
- education and training
- Roles, responsibilities
- Motivation, goals
- Individual attributes: physical abilities
age ...
- background, personal ability

Principles vs. Guidelines

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|-----------------|---------------------------|
| • high level | • Specific |
| • thumb of nail | • Concrete recommendation |

Design patterns

- Reuse what works
- provide "chance" to collaborate.
- Communicate design problem & solution
- Capture essence of problem handling

