# RESPONSIVE WEB DESIGN & STATE OF THE STATE O



- OPINIONATED
- PRETENTIOUS
- PARADOXAL

pre-ten-tious

Attempting to impress by affecting greater importance, talent, culture, etc., than is actually possessed.









# THIS IS THE WEB.



# THIS WILL BE THE WEB.



The point of creating adaptive sites is to create functional (and hopefully optimal) user experiences for a growing number of web-enabled devices and contexts.

### **BRAD FROST**

The client said Responsive Web Design is bad because new devices will come out and websites aren't going to function on these new devices.

### TRUE STORY

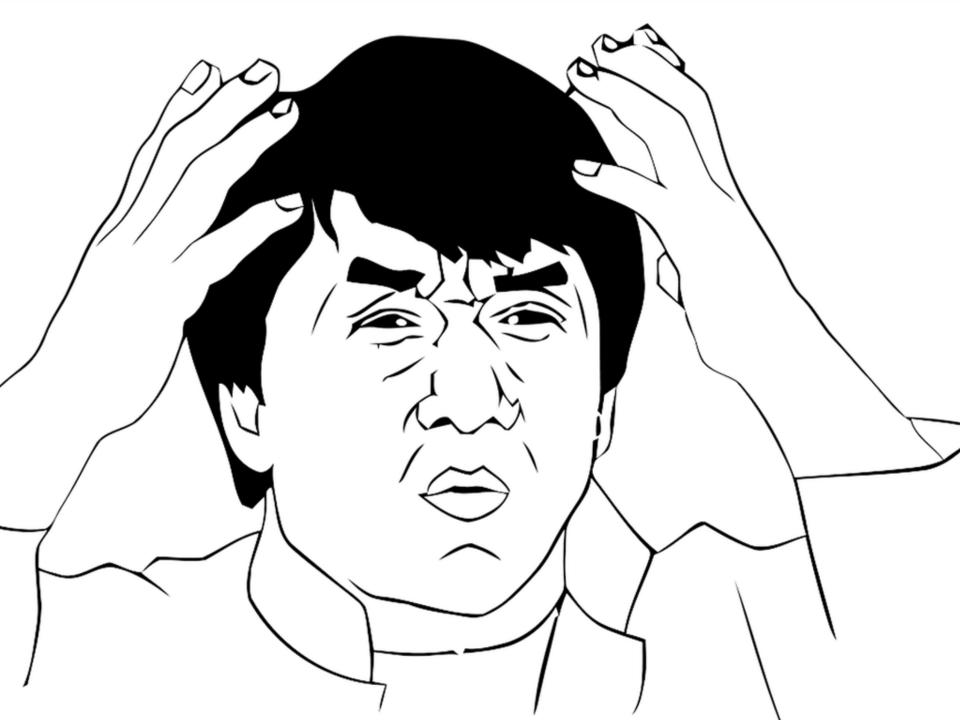
It's essential that this performs and displays well on device X. The client's CEO has device X and is likely to view the final website through that.

### **TRUE STORY**



So.. we designed this feature... and... ummm... the client signed it off, so yeah, you're probably f\$%@ed!





# **FUTURE & FRIENDLY**



In today's incredibly exciting yet overwhelming world of connected digital devices, these are the truths we hold to be self-evident:

http://futurefriend.ly/

Well-structured content is now an essential part of art direction.

**FUTURE FRIENDLY THINKING** 

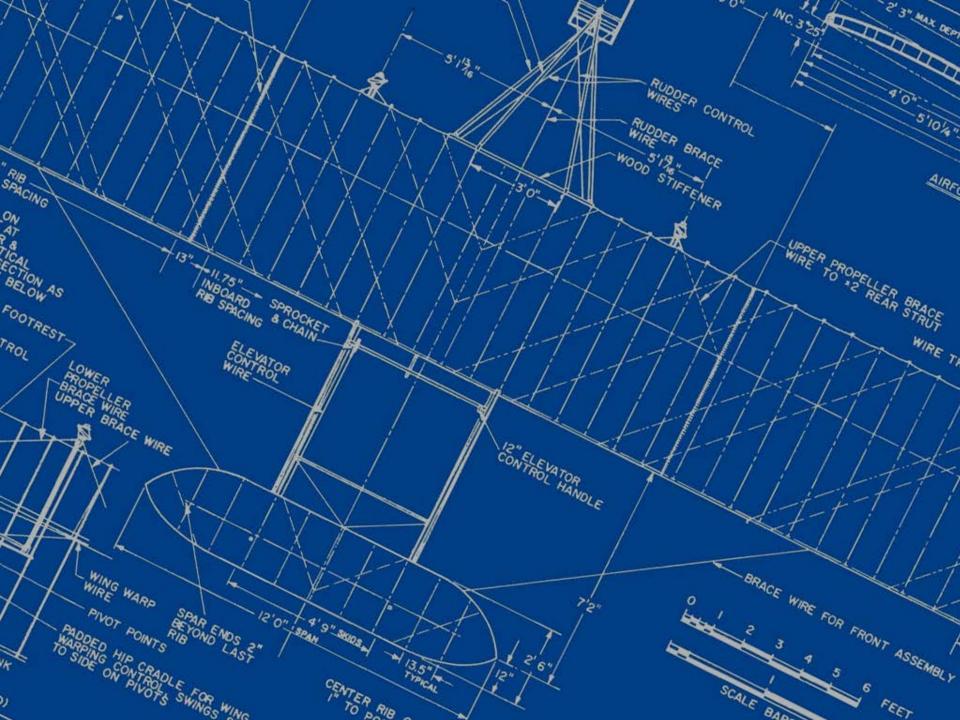
# MIND THE GAP

UI implementation has an almost natural tendency to diverge from its intended design. <...> The final product is very often not quite what you originally envisioned.

### **LUCAS ROCHA**

We broadly agreed that from our experience, Responsive Web Design affects workflow considerably.

### **MARK BOULTON**



Design is the creation of a plan or convention for the construction of an object or a system

### **WIKIPEDIA**



The term web design is normally used to describe the design process relating to the front-end (client side) design of a website including writing mark up.

### WIKIPEDIA



design pictures



slice up pictures



develop structure



design and code prototypes



finish and fine-tune UIs



develop APIs



### Daniel Eden

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Something I've noticed during my job search; many places still divide designers (.psd) from developers (.html).



11:16 PM - 14 May 13 from Nottingham, England

How, in large agencies which are crippled by siloing of design and front-end development resources and their own immovable processes, are finding it very difficult to work with RWD. It's not because RWD is difficult, appropriate for a project or anything else. It's because their process can't accommodate it.

### **MARK BOULTON**

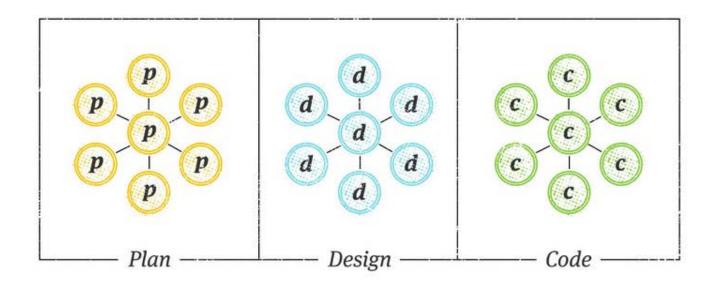
Businesses (agencies, companies, customers) now need to refactor many aspects of their businesses to allow for better responsiveness. Our clients now need to restructure their buying process. Design and development teams need to reorganize.

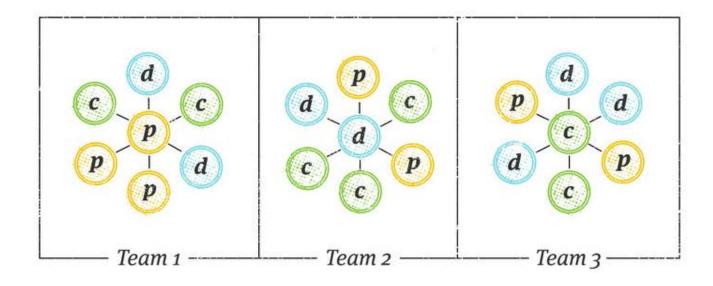
### **ANDY CLARKE**

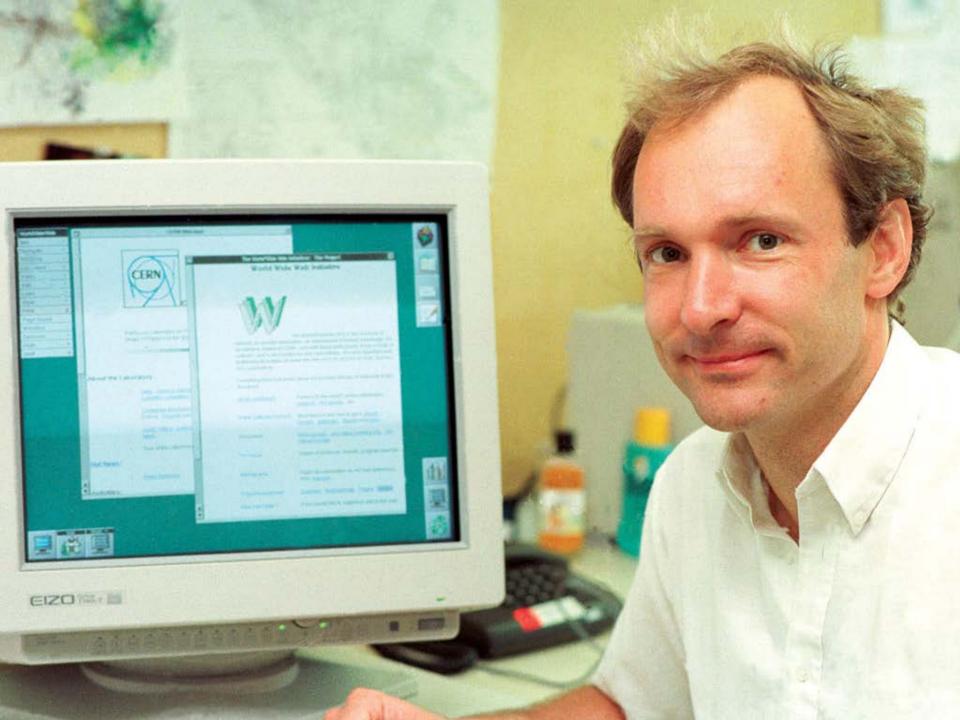


In the context of designing for the multi-device web, the high level of iteration and communication required to build a modern website is rendering the assembly line approach obsolete and reorganization necessary.

### TRENT WALTON

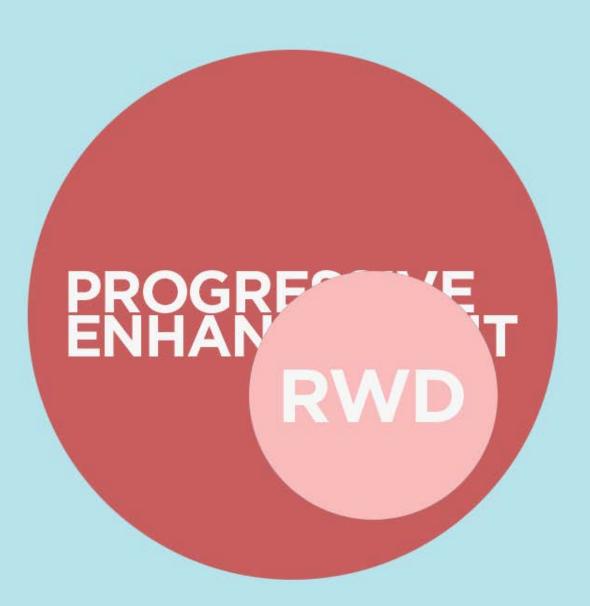














Progressive enhancement uses web technologies in a layered fashion that allows everyone to access the basic content and functionality of a web page, using any browser or Internet connection.

#### **WIKIPEDIA**

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# Graceful Degradation

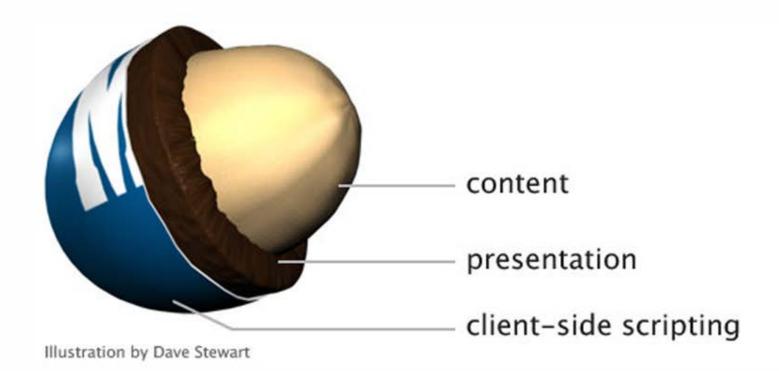


Build for greatest, downsize for lesser beings.

### Progressive Enhancement



Play safe. Build for those lesser beings, scale up after.



# PROGRESSIVE ENHANCEMENT TECH STACK

The layers of Progressive Enhancement

## **SEMANTICS**

## **DESIGN**

**SEMANTICS** 

### INTERACTIVITY

## DESIGN

**SEMANTICS** 

### **ACCESIBILITY**

### INTERACTIVITY

### DESIGN

SEMANTICS

### **HTML5 AND ARIA**

**JAVASCRIPT** 

**CSS** 

HTML

**TEXT** 

# RESPONSIVE WEB DESIGN

Responsive web design is an approach to web design in which a site is crafted to provide an optimal experience — easy reading and navigation with a minimum of resizing, paning, and scrolling.

#### WIKIPEDIA

# CONTENT FIRST

Create layouts from the content out.

#### DESIGNER-CLIENT RELATIONSHIP

### **Getting Engaged**

By Andy Rutledge

- January 7th, 2013
- M Business, Clients, Inspiration
- O Comments

You probably hear about it every week, if not every day: a spiteful or ragged relationship has ended badly. There are bitter arguments, custody battles, legal entanglements, lives and homes broken in the wake of moral incompatibility, poor choices, and a lack of sober discrimination.

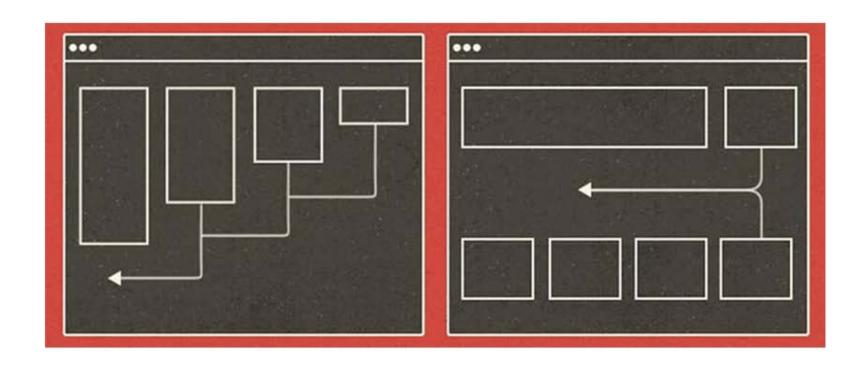


# MOBILE FIRST

Mobile forces you to focus.

# CONTENT CHOREOGRAPHY

Make content accommodate.



### Weightshift

WORK INFO MEMO

We're an independent digital design, development and branding studio. We create experiences for many.

#### WORK

SELECTED PROJECTS























































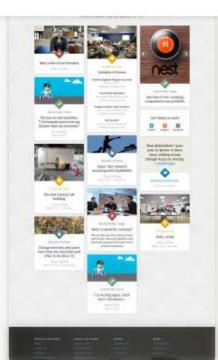
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# FORM FOLLOWS FUNCTION

Especially true for UI and UX.

# ENGINEERS MAKE DESIGN DECISIONS

Participation of UI wizards is essential.

# API-CENTRIC APPROACH

COPE: Create Once, Publish Everywhere



# DEVICE CONTEXT DOES NOT EXIST

84% of smartphone users use them at home.

# ADD BREAKPOINTS WHEN CONTENT STARTS LOOKING FUNKY

Not at typical device widths.

# RESOLUTION INDEPENDENCE

Forget pixels. Icon fonts and SVGs!



### Entypo character map

Copy/Paste the character you are interested in or use the html code. Look up the unicode for further information.



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U+E789 



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# RESPONSIVE WEB DESIGN WORKFLOW

Iterate and design with medium in mind.

## 1. SKETCH

Get the ideas down \*amongst\* the requirements.

Meaning, we don't have design specification documents, we dont have lengthy requirements documentation. We have user stories (or something similar) and we combine them with research, thoughts, sketches, ideas to document the scope of the project.

## 2. PROTOTYPE

In HTML. This allows us to get the product – in whatever form – in front of the client. The aim is to remove The Big Reveal. It also lets them see how the site responds on different screen sizes.

## 3. DESIGN

However you increase the fidelity is up to you. I use Photoshop, other people use Fireworks, some do it in a browser.

# 4. ITERATE

Have a project structure that embraces change. That means a focus on priorities.

## 5. TALK

This approach requires much more collaboration with a client. I mentioned The Big Reveal: the thing designers do where they squirrel away for a few days and then come back and go 'ta da, look what I made!'. That's just so risky.





https://neonmob.com/r/E7T7U?s=t