

# Introduction to Web Data Management

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# Trends in Web-design





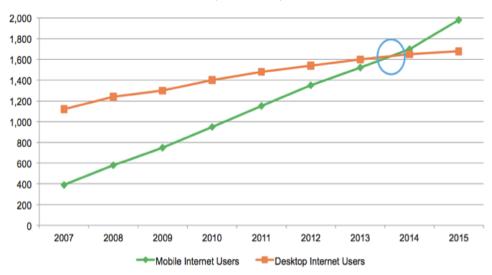


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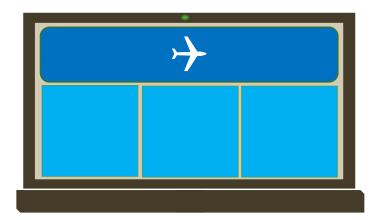
- Allow all users to browse your website perfectly, Regardless of the device's size.
- Devices market is changing. In 2014, more people accessed internet from cellphones/tablet than desktop/laptops.
- Neglecting the mobile audience means neglecting the majority of users.
- Google penalizes the nonmobile websites with lower ranking.il

#### **Mobile Web Usage Growing**

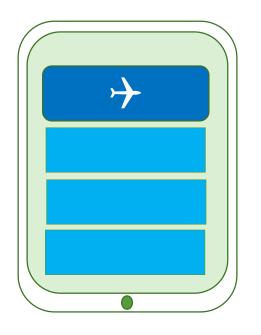
Forward Projection: Mobile Web Browsing vs. Desktop Web Browsing (2007-2015)



Source: Mary Meeker, Morgan Stanley, "Internet Trends," April 12, 2010

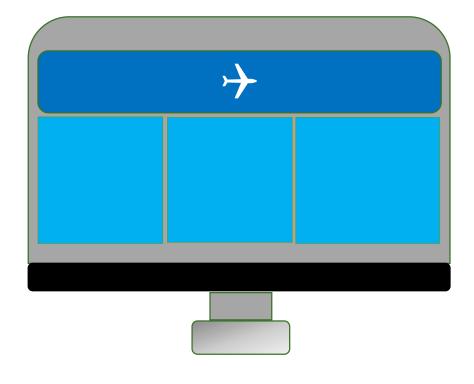


Try **bootstrap**, go to <a href="http://getbootstrap.com/">http://getbootstrap.com/</a>, resize the screen many times, How dynamic is the design?



# Responsive





#### Clear messages

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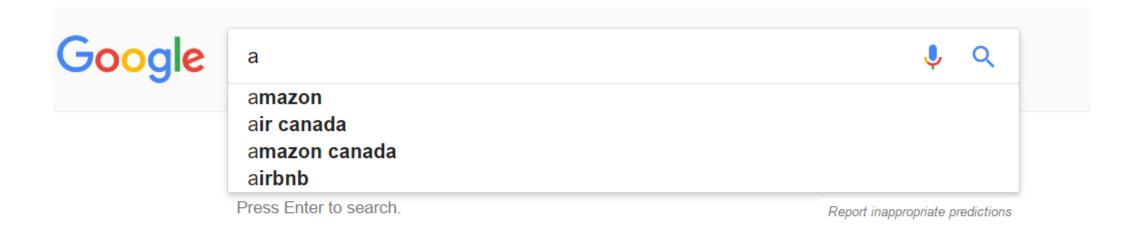
No paragraphs in home page.



# Old apple website – too much of text

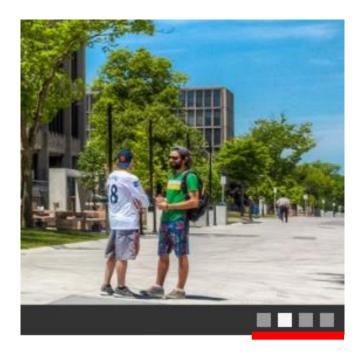


# Dynamic content



# Multiple messages/stories

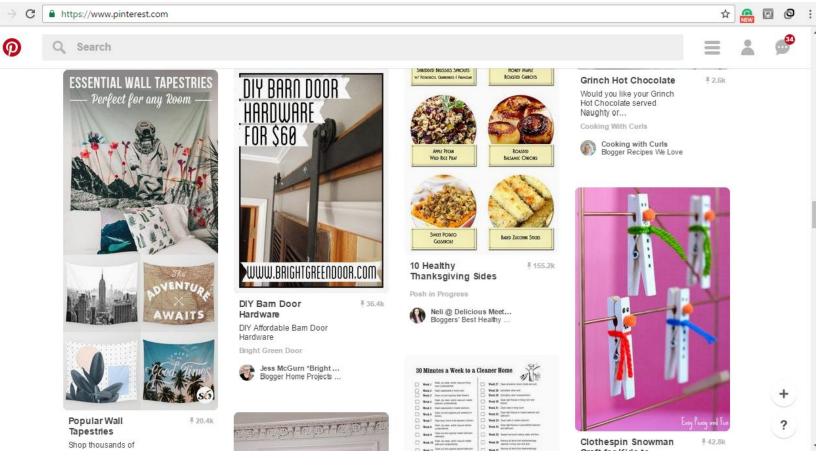
- Carrousels or Story slider: Usually it has many points or right/left arrows to switch between big pictures(messages) in the middle of the home page.
- It's a controversial to use it or not. However, if you need to send multiple stories in the main page, it does the work.
- Some designers will argue that it is confusing the user, and slowing down the browsing (more loading time).
- For big businesses it may be a must (Apple, Microsoft, etc.)



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# Grids (alternative to story sliders)





#### Content

- **Up to date information**, The website should always reflects the business updates.
- Trustworthy source of information.
- No long page forms.
- The content focuses on the viewer/clients needs, people look for **seconds** at the content, before deciding to continue browsing or leave the site.
- Font contrast and proper text/background coloring are important for user experience.
- Pictures and videos content with nowadays high-speed internet are good ways to send the messages.
- No broken links.



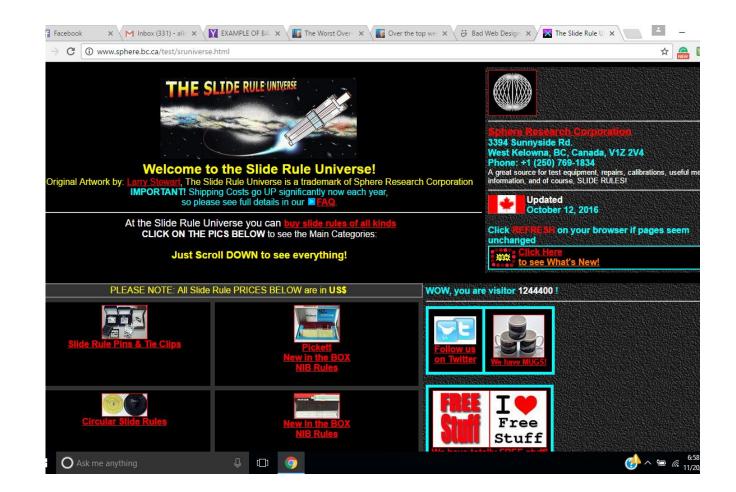
#### Incorporating social media

- Social media is essential for nowadays communication.
- Build brand advocates who will attract new customers.
- Boost a business sales and/or browsing traffic to the website.
- Which platform(s) to choose?

#### Bad designs

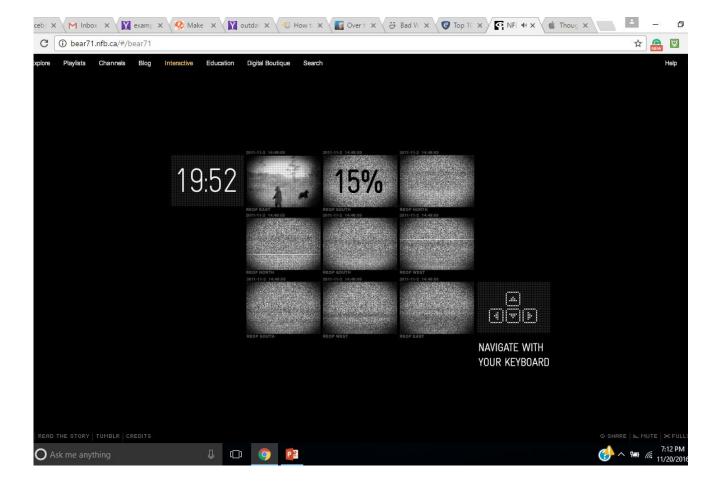
- A lot of blank space.
- Over the top website.
- For some other bad designs check the following:

https://watchthem.live/bad-website-design-examples/

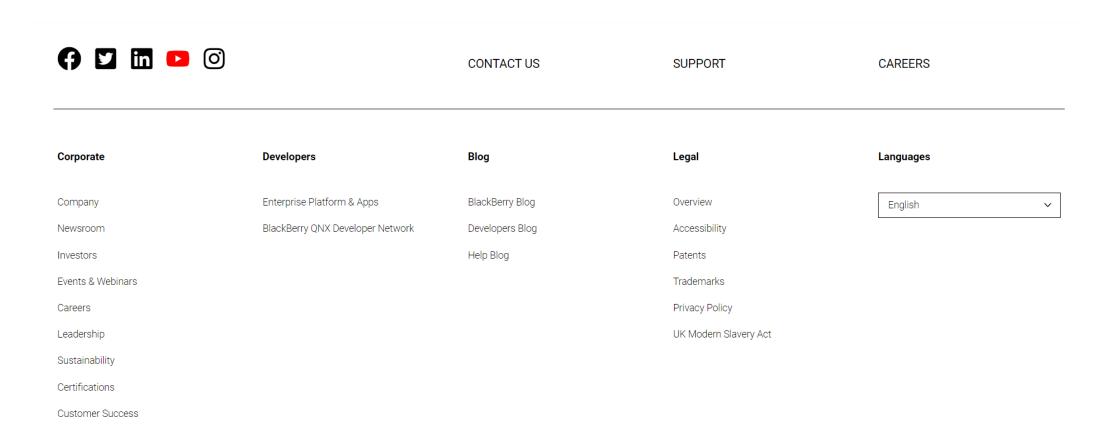


# Outdated designs

- Adobe flash websites!!
- Look what apple says about adobe flash websites.
- https://www.zdnet.com/article/ apple-says-goodbye-to-adobeflash-in-safari-technologypreview/
- Flash website is an old trend.
- Try to open flash website on iPhone/iPad using safari, what do you get as a message?



#### Footer



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"The Web is fundamentally designed to work for all people, whatever their hardware, software, language, culture, location, or physical or mental ability"

- w3.org

# Accessibility

- Download NVDA screen reader, <a href="http://www.nvaccess.org/download/">http://www.nvaccess.org/download/</a> for blind people support, it reads the menus, instructions, etc.
- alt ="something" in HTML elements, makes the element readable, or replace the item with "something" text when the browser fails to load the item.
- Standard Browsers have many features to support people with disability.

https://support.google.com/chromebook/answer/177893?hl=en

#### Useful blogs & resources

- http://smallbusiness.chron.com/website-outdated-45999.html
- http://olddogwebdesign.com/portfolio.html



# Data life Cycle



















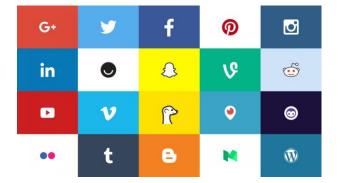
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#### In this Course

 How to store, access, modify, exchange, visualize data on the Web?



Databases

#### Types of Databases

- To select the proper database for a project/business, it is important to understand the purpose and the features of each type:
- There are 2 Models of the database:
  - 1. Relational databases: those databases usually use SQL protocol to access/modify/store data
  - 2. Non-relational databases: non-relational structure, usually they don't use SQL
- Relational databases usually work with structured data (i.e. Tables, views), while non-relational databases usually work with semi-structured data (i.e. XML, JSON).
- SQL (Structured Query Language) is a language for querying and maintaining the database.

#### Relational databases

- Relational databases: the most common usage for each type
- 1. large enterprises databases(mostly)
  - Oracle
  - Microsoft SQL Server
  - IBM DB2
  - MySQL
- 2. Web-based applications
  - MySQL
- 3. Database on small devices/Apps (for phones, watches, etc)
  - SQLlite

<sup>\*</sup>Note MySQL is used for different purposes, it is opensource, very compatible with free source web applications as being part of LAMP (Linux, Apache, MySQL, and PHP).

#### Relational databases

- Relational databases: which can also be called relational database management systems (RDBMS) or SQL databases.
- A relational database is organized based on the relational model of data, as proposed by E.F. Codd in 1970.
- This model organizes data into one or more tables (or "relations") of rows and columns, with a unique key for each row.
- Strengths of RDBMS: simplicity, robustness, flexibility, performance, and compatibility in managing generic data.

#### Complexity

- For large databases, especially ones used for web applications, the main concern is scalability.
- As more and more applications are created in environments that have massive workloads (i.e. Amazon), their scalability requirements can change very quickly and grow very large.
- With scaling 100-1000 servers, the **complexity** of the Relational structure of RDBMs comes to the show.
- Conclusion, Complexity of RDBMs drastically reduces their viability as platforms for large distributed systems.

#### Non-relational Database

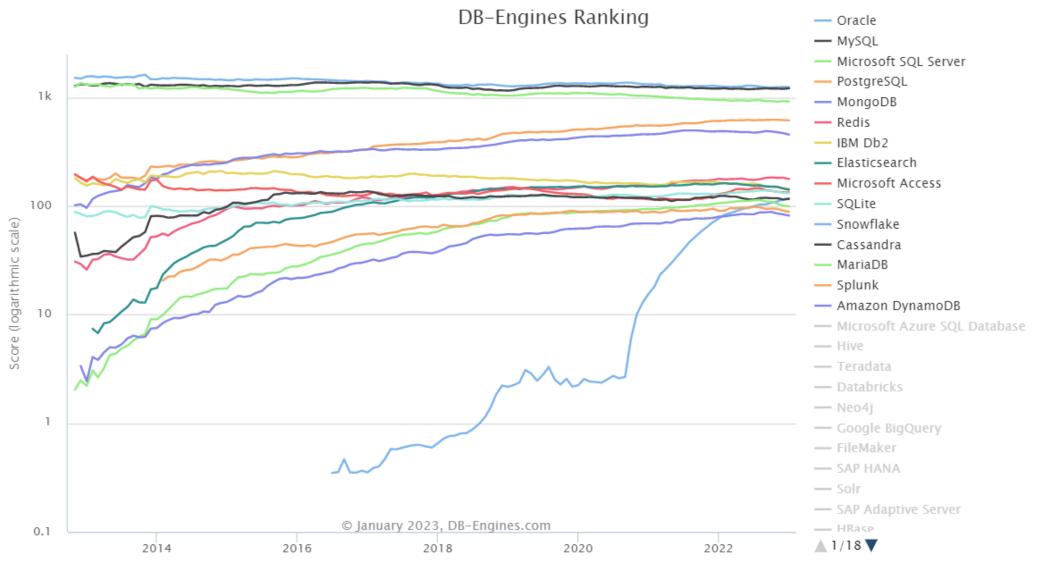
- *Non-relational databases*, also called NoSQL databases, These databases are usually grouped into four categories:
- Key-value stores: These databases pair keys to values.
  - Redis, Memcachedb.
- Graph stores: These excel at dealing with interconnected data.
  - Neo4j.
- Document stores These databases store records as "documents" where a document can generally be thought of as a grouping of key-value pairs. Keys are always strings.
  - MongoDB, CouchDB.

# Relational no-SQL database (Exception)

- It is also called **Column stores database**: it is a relational database that stores all the data in a particular table's rows together on-disk, making retrieval of a particular row fast.
- Columns to store database that do not use SQL.
- Examples: HBase and Casandra.

#### Strengths of non-relational databases

- Simplicity of design. Not having to deal with the relational structure.
- Better "horizontal" scaling to clusters of machines, which solves the problem when the number of concurrent users of the application.
- To easily capture all kinds of data "Big Data" which include unstructured and semi-structured data.
- Faster than relational databases.
- Easier and cheaper to maintain:
  - NoSQL databases usually use clusters of cheap commodity servers
  - Servers can be added or removed without application downtime



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#### Score algorithm

- Method of calculating the scores of the DB-Engines Ranking:
  - Number of mentions of the system on websites.
  - General interest in the system.
  - Frequency of technical discussions about the system.
  - Number of job offers, in which the system is mentioned.
  - Number of profiles in professional networks, in which the system is mentioned.
  - Relevance in social networks.
  - More https://db-engines.com/en/ranking\_definition

#### Brainstorming

- Select a website and criticize the design, look for any inconsistency, white spaces.
- What kind/brand of databases you recommend for the following:
  - A website for a startup?
  - Amazon?
  - An app for diet plans that have relationships with daily exercises / activities?
  - University of Windsor?

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