#UX Design

#What is UX?

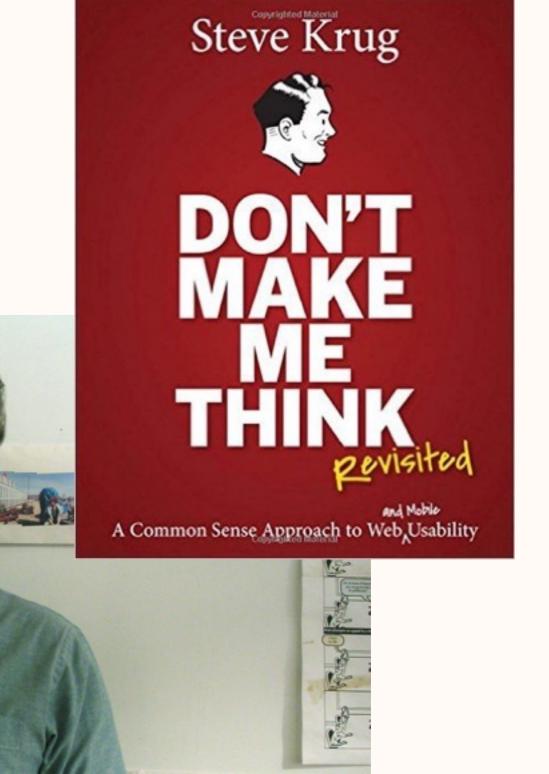
Discuss & present.



#Highly recommended reading

Don't Make Me Think, Revisited:

A Common Sense Approach to Web Usability by Steve Krug



#User Research

aims to <u>understand</u> user behaviors, needs & motivations.

Methods: observation, feedback & requests, task analysis, interviews.

Iterative process: Research - analyse - implement - repeat.

#User Research

- -Competitor Analysis
- -Surveys

Specific

- -User Interviews & User Testing
- -Personas
- -Analytics & Content Review
- -Storyboards & Use Cases
- -A/B Testing & goal monitoring

#Personas

#UX Design (UXD)

Creating products with a user-centered approach.

The focus is not only on design, but the experience as a whole, including sale, support, texts & error messages, etc.

#User-Centered Design (UCD)

ISO 52075 key principles:

- -based upon an explicit understanding of users, environments & tasks
- -Users are involved in design & development (User Research)
- -The design is refined by user-centered evaluation (User testing)

#User-Centered Design 2

ISO 52075 key principles:

- -The process is iterative
- -The design addresses the whole user experience
- -The design team includes multidisciplinary skills and perspectives.

#Information Architecture

A rough sketch of a product showing the core elements.

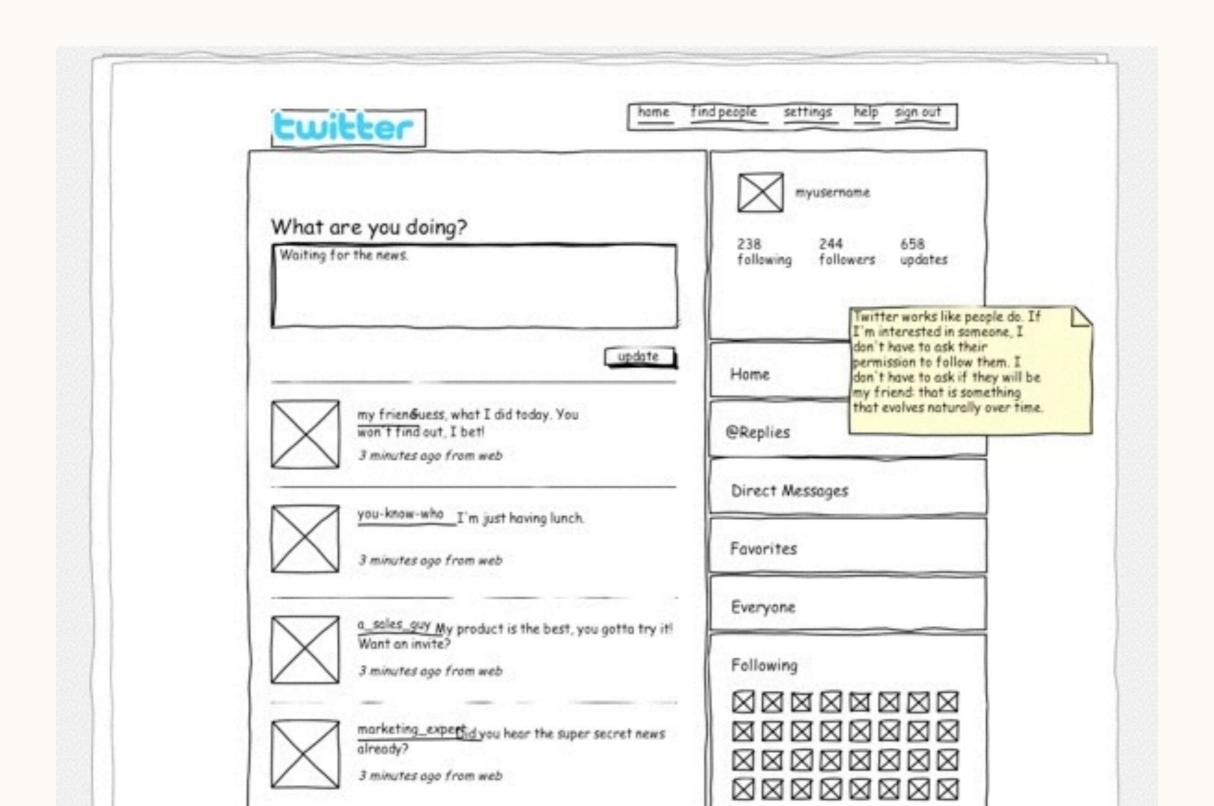
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- -show use cases
- -illustrate ideas
- -rough plan for information architecture

#Wireframes

A rough sketch of a product showing the core elements.

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#Wireframe example

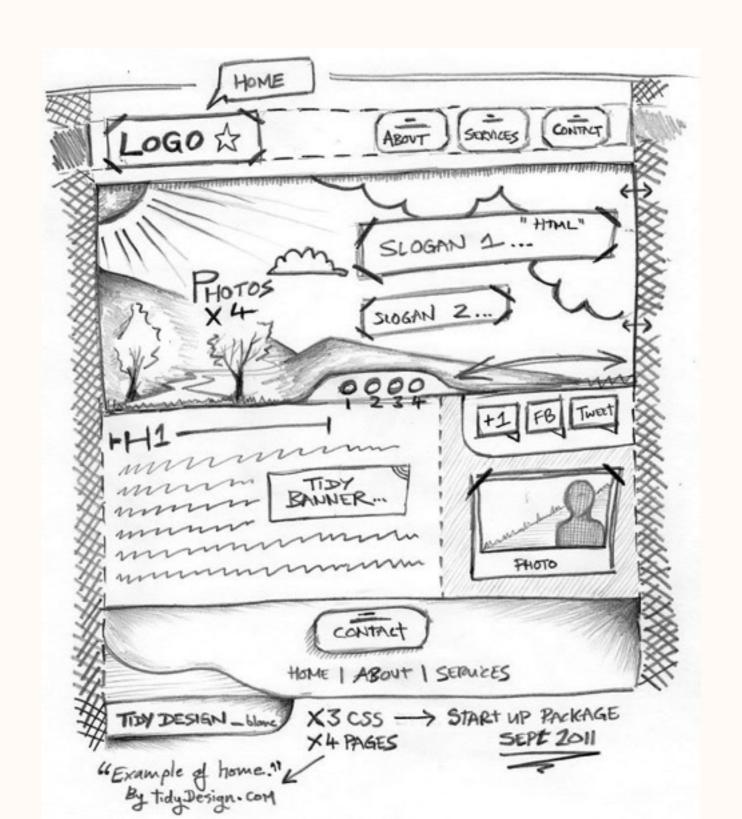


#Wireframe Problems

Bad wireframes shown to clients can hurt a project by creating wrong expectations.

- -to much detail
- -focuses on UI & elements, not the task a product should do
- -used to long = late UI Design

#Wireframe bad example



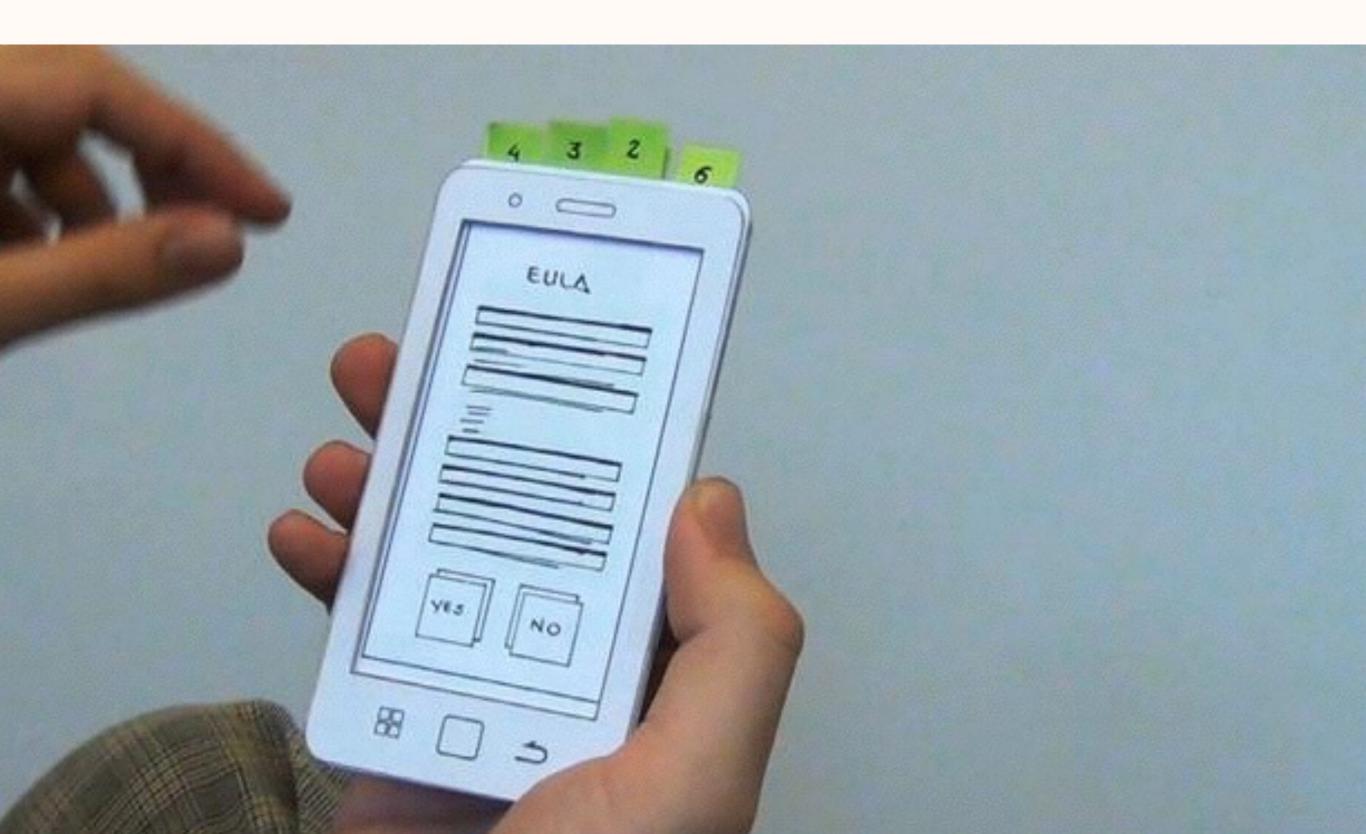
#Prototyping

Can be wireframes, paper designs, slides, images on a device or usable front-end.

Used for:

- -User testing
- -Explaining user flow
- -Discussing a feature

#Paper Prototype



#High Fidelity Prototype



#UI Design

User Interface Design is the transfer knowledge from the UX research into a visual design.

A UI must be visually pleasing & appropriate while striving for an optimal UX, sometimes sacrificing aesthetics for UX.

#Development

The product is actually build.

The UX design team supports with testing and solutions for problems & questions arising during development.

#Agile Development

Describes a side by side design & development process.

Iterations are done in the design as well as the product under development.

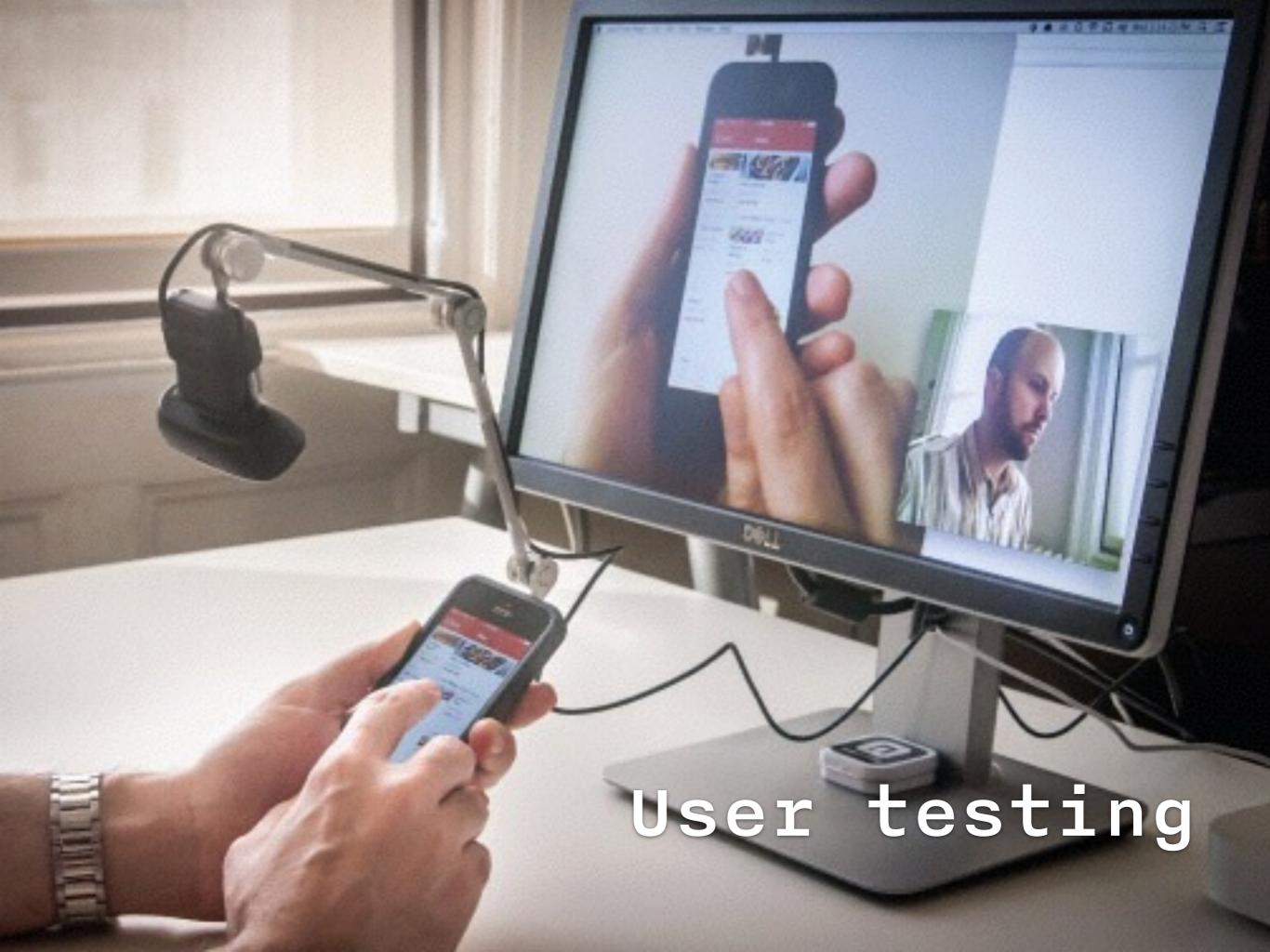
A distinct vision is needed from the start.

#User Testing

Test with few users: **5 Users** find **85%** of the problems.

Iterate: 13% of the remaining problems are found in the 2nd iteration.

Source: https://www.nngroup.com/articles/why-you-only-need-to-test-with-5-users/



#User Tests do

- -find problems with:
 - -design (understanding)
 - -concept
 - -architecture

-ideas for missing features (by the problems they discover)

#User Tests don't

User tests **never** find solutions. At most they find ideas that have to be evaluated.

They don't find:

- -solutions for problems
- -problems with the visual design aesthetic
- -missing features (by request)

#Timing

There are three periods for user testing. Being happy with test results allows for moving on.

The periods are:

- -Testing wireframes
- -Testing prototypes
- -Testing the product

#User Testing (wireframes)

Testing wireframes gives you a very rough idea of major issues:

- -with your idea
- -with your user flow
- -understanding of users needs

Resolve all those issues before moving on.

#User Testing (prototype)

Testing prototypes helps find major & minor issues:

- -with your user flow & guidance
- -information architecture
- -usability & design (understanding)
- -feature completeness

Fix major issues before moving on.

#User Testing (product)

Testing **products** verifies UX and reveals **minor** issues:

- -guidance & help
- -usability & design (understanding)
- -missing features (extended usage)

Testing existing products may reveal major issues from all slides.

#Homework: UX Research

Create 3 Personas for the BVG website.

- -make a A4 poster for each Persona
- -bring the 3 printouts and present the Personas (2 min/persona max.)

#Presentation 1 (Laif) Competitor Analysis

- -What is it?
- -What is the benefit of it?
- -Present one competitor analysis you did on squarespace.com.

#Presentation 2 (Claudia)

A/B Testing & goal monitoring

- -What is it?
- -What are the benefit of it?
- -Present 5 A/B tests & results you find online
- -Present at least 3 ideas for A/B tests you could do on basecamp.com to improve singups

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