WEB PERFORMANCE

HOW TO MEASURE AND IMPROVE IT

ANALYZING AND IMPROVING THE LOADING PERFORMANCE

OF LARGE-SCALE WEBSITES ON MOBILE DEVICES

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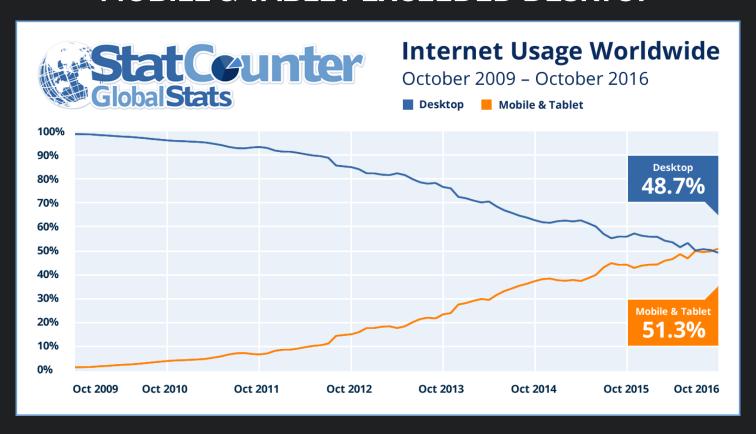
AGENDA

- Motivation
- Scope
- Results & Findings
- Conclusion
- Demo





MOBILE & TABLET EXCEEDED DESKTOP



HEAVIER WEBSITES (VS. 2010)

CSS Bytes: ▲ 320%

Font Bytes: ▲ 250%

JS Bytes: **▲** 570%

Image Bytes: ▲950%

Total KiloBytes: 🛕 980%

2017

CSS ▲15%, Fonts ▲10%

JS: ▲ 14%, Total ▲ 12%

SLOW WEBPAGES ON 3G

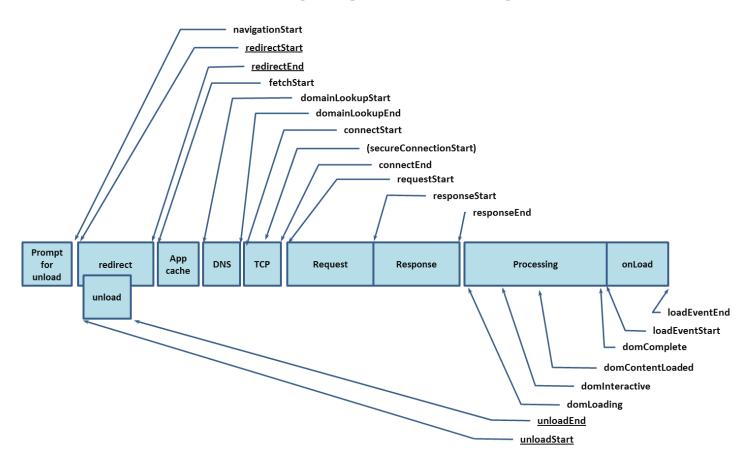
19s

77%

53%

5s -> 2X

BROWSER EVENTS

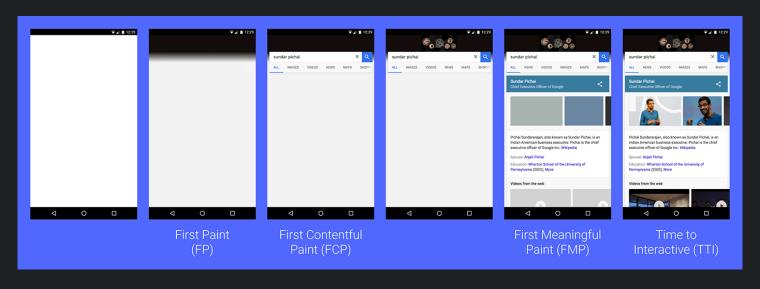


MEASURING WEB PERFORMANCE

Metrics

Load Time, Fully Loaded, First Byte, Start Render, Speed Index, First Paint, First Contentful Paint, First Meaningful Paint, First Interactive, Concistently Interactive

MEASURING WEB PERFORMANCE



WHAT SHOULD I MEASURE?

It depends

Try for yourself

- 46 Hero Rendering Times
- 35 Speed Index
- 32 Time to First Interactive
- 15 Start Render
- 13 First Meaningful Paint
- 9 First Contentful Paint
- 7 First Paint

WEBPAGES GET SLOWER (VS. 2017)

First Contentful Paint

5.9 seconds ▲ 23%

DOMContentLoaded

7.6 seconds ▲ 27%

Time to First Interactive

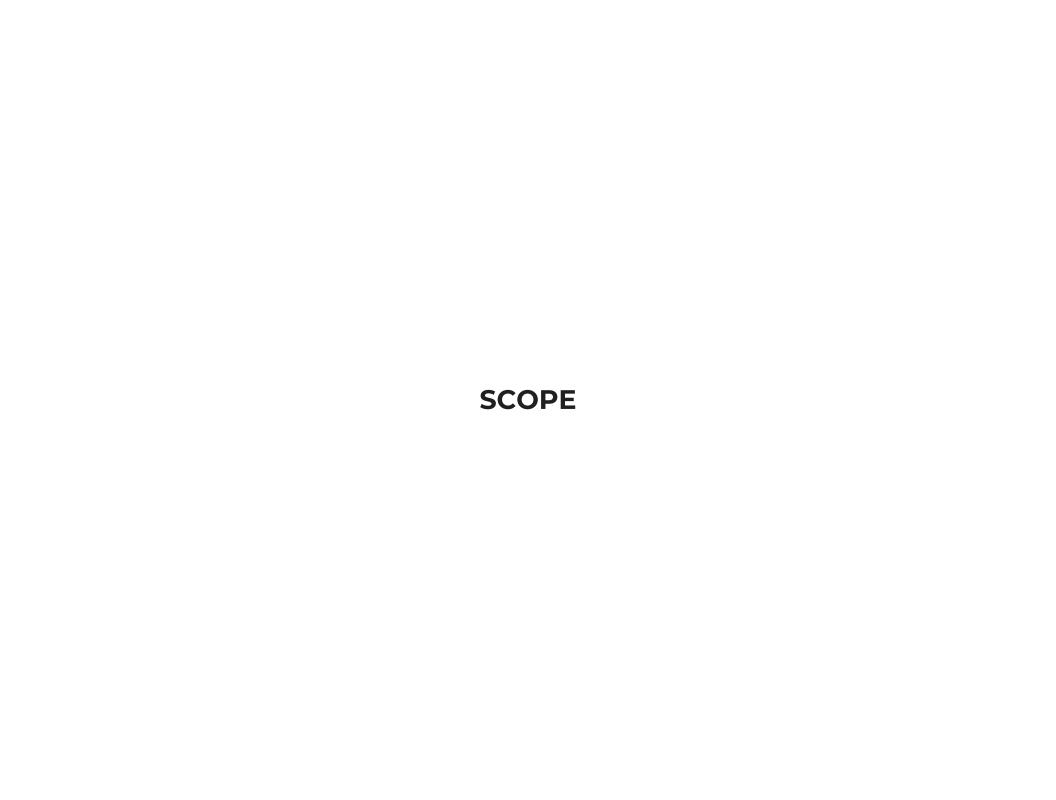
10.7 seconds ▲ 6%

Time to Consistently Interactive

14.8 seconds ▲22%

HOW USERS FEEL ABOUT DELAYS

- 0.1s
- 0.1s 1.0s
- 1.0s 10s



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SCOPE

- Ilta-Sanomat
- Helsingin Sanomat
- Front end performance
- Focus on mobile

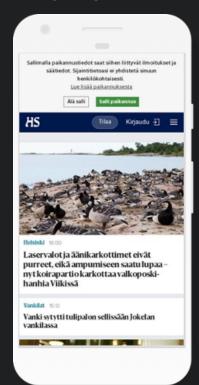


SELECTED TOOLS

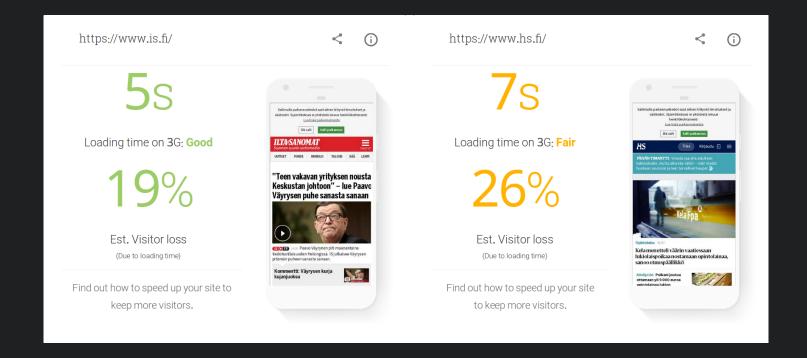
- WebPageTest
- Lighthouse
- PageSpeed Insights
- Test My Site
- Developer tools
- Custom setup

PROGRESSIVE WEB APPLICATIONS

- App manifest
- Service Worker
- Precached assets
- Offline support
- Example: Twitter Lite







Test My Site results on March 5 2018

FINDINGS FOR IS & HS

- Heavy on assets
- A lot done right
- 3rd party assets and content
- Improvements possible

JAVASCRIPT OPTIMIZATION RESULTS

Page Load Time

17.0% (9.43s -> 7.83s)

DOMContentLoaded

23% (5.50s -> 4.25s)



PWA REPEAT VIEW PERFORMANCE

Master 3058 2.478s 7.236s	PWA 3024 2.431s 6.795s	Improvement 34 0.061s 0.125s	% 1.11% 2.46% 1.73%
6.730s	6.510s	0.117s	1.74%
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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Focus on performance
- Continuous monitoring
- Small improvements
- Prioritize visible content
- Lazyload when possible
- PWA: it depends

Demo time

If we have time...

Links

- Try which event you should focus on
- SpeedCurve data for top sites
- A large collection of interesting links
- Follow me on Twitter

Thank you!

Questions?

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