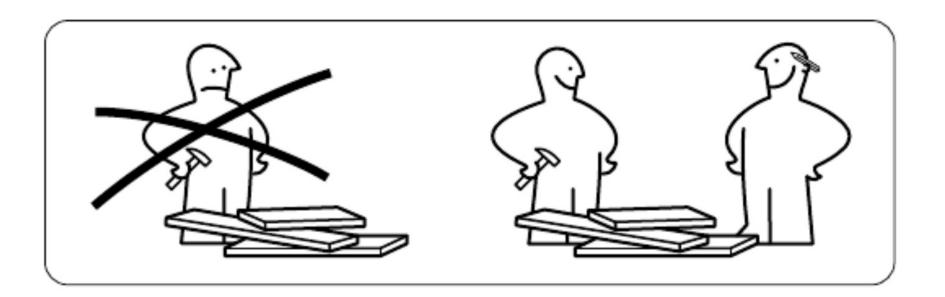


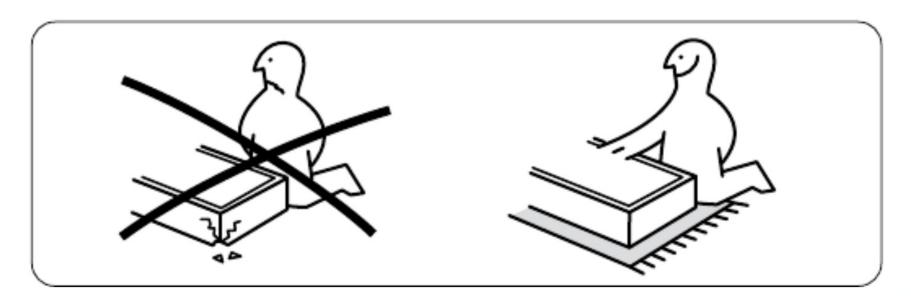


Information design: a UX perspective

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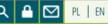








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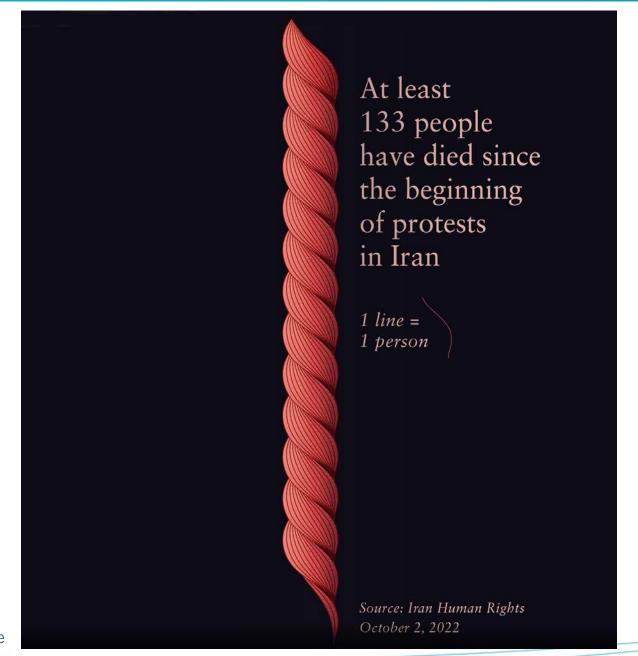


















Information design

- Information design
- Information architecture
- Communication design





Information design

- Presenting information through graphics graphics as a tool for organizing information
 - color
 - composition
 - format
 - movement





Information design

- Visualization of statistical data
- Orientation systems
- Pictogram systems
- Maps
- Information and text visualization





Communication design

 Constantly attempting to build social relationships using usable graphic and informational forms

- social and media communication issues
- identification of companies and institutions
- graphic design
- packaging design
- •





Information architecture

- The structural design of shared information environments
- The synthesis of organization, labeling, search, and navigation systems within digital, physical, and cross-channel ecosystems
- The art and science of shaping information products and experiences to support usability, findability, and understanding
- An emerging discipline and community of practice focused on bringing principles of design and architecture to the digital landscape





Information architecture

- Organizing
 - organizational structures
 - controlled vocabulary and thesaurus
- Navigating (making it easier to find your way to information)
 - Where am I? Where have I been? Where can I go? How do I accomplish a goal and solve a problem?
- Labeling (naming)
 - What does it mean and what does it inform me about? What is hidden "inside"?
- Searching





Information architecture and user

- What are my information needs and the problem to be solved?
- Which tools will solve my problem?
- What do I need to do and what steps do I need to take to achieve my goal?
- Will it be quick, easy and understandable?
- Will it be fun and enjoyable?
- That I will want to do it again?





Information architecture

- Design, research, evaluation of web services and information spaces, in particular
 - organization of information
 - planning user paths
 - building visual communication systems
- in order to provide users with access to information in a useful, attractive and friendly way

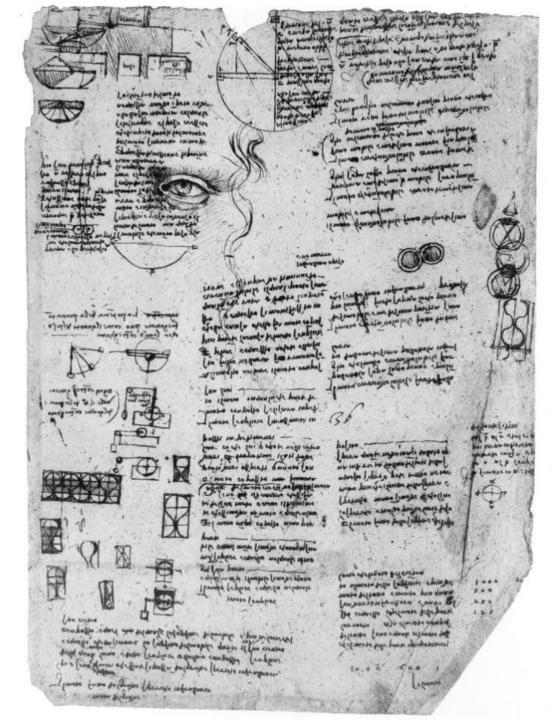




When did design take an interest in the user?











"Simplicity is the height of sophistication"

Leonardo da Vinci





 Henry Ford - looking for ways to improve human (worker) interaction with the production machine

- Winslow Taylor develops the Toyota Production System recognized as the first human-centered production system that focuses on the interaction between man and technology
- TOYOTA → a symbol of humanizing the manufacturing process





Designing for pleasure

Amusement parks

 "Do what you do so well that they will want to see it again and bringtheir friends"







Paul Fitts and Alphonse Chapanis

"designer error"





B-17 redesign was the first time it occurred to anyone that

we should design machines to accommodate human behavior instead of retraining human behavior to fit machines





Henry Dreufuss "Designing for people" (1955)



Thermostat Honeywell (1953)



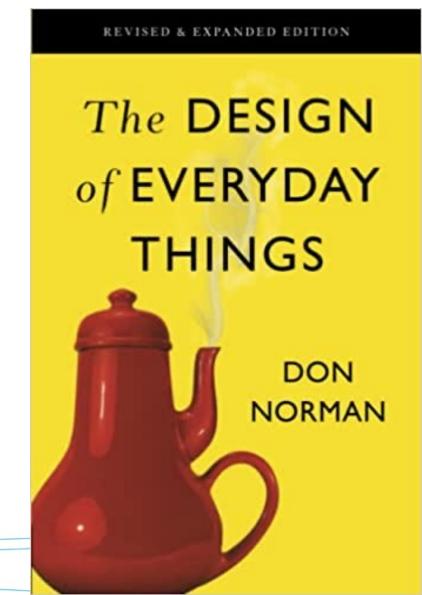
Phone Bell Model 500 (1949)





Donald Norman

 "User experience encompasses all aspects of the end-user's interaction with the company, its services, and its products"





What is user experience?

 A person's perceptions and responses that result from the use and/or anticipated use of a product, system or service (ISO 9241-210)

- UX is explained by three product features:
 - usability
 - attractiveness
 - positive emotions







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- UX is not pretty pages
- UX is not user interface
- UX is not wireframe

UX is user experience and emotions





How to design the user experience?

- In-depth understanding of user needs, behaviors, habits and contexts (research)
- Engaging the user from the early design stages
- Creating a sense of shared ownership of the product/service
- Referencing the overall experience
- Leveraging intuition and the potential of teamwork
- Competitor analysis and benchmarks





UX and information

- Information scent
- Emotions in information behavior
- Navigation and search patterns
- Metaphors
- UX laws
- Accessibility





Information scent

- Peter Pirolli and Stuart Card (XEROX PARC) 1990s.
- Information foraging theory inspired by evolution and animal behavior

- Human information-seeking patterns are similar to biological and anthropological theories of food seeking
- We search for information the way the first humans searched for food - we want to get as much valuable information as possible at the lowest possible cost





ANIMAL FORAGING			INFORMATION FORAGING	
	Food	Goal	Information	i
5302	A site containing one or more potential sources of food	Patch	A website (or other source of information)	
690	Search for food	Forage	Search for information	Q
~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	The animal's assessment of how likely it is that a given patch will provide food	Scent	How promising a potential source of information appears to the user	
	The totality of food types that an animal may consider in order to satisfy hunger	Diet	The totality of the information sources that a user may consider in order to satisfy an information need	

(Raluca Budiu, NN Group, 2019)





### Information scent

- A strong smell means approaching prey
- A weakening scent is a signal to the user that they have strayed from the right course and the browser's "back" button should be used
- Too many mixed up strong clues can create a feeling of confusion for the user and so prompt them to close the page
- A well-labeled and inviting path is important, i.e., the detail of information increases with each step



### Designing with the information scent (1)

- A strong lead at the beginning of the user's interaction with the system is important
- Isolate a small number of highly visible, distinct paths
- Limiting the choices on the main menu or home page to a few strong, general categories makes it easier to focus the user's attention





## Designing with the information scent (2)

- When the user is approaching the destination, other "smells" should be limited so as not to distract him and allow him to complete the process
- Understandable and literal link names are important
- The content of the link should explain what it leads to
- Do not use marketing slogans and terminology unfamiliar to the user





# Designing with the information scent (3)

- Provide the user with clues at every step so that they don't lose the scent
- Make the number of clicks or steps less important than a wellmarked path
- If there is a strong lead to a place, and the information sought is not there, the user is likely to conclude that it is nowhere else and leave the site
- If the information is elsewhere on the site, use cross-linking





#### Information and emotions

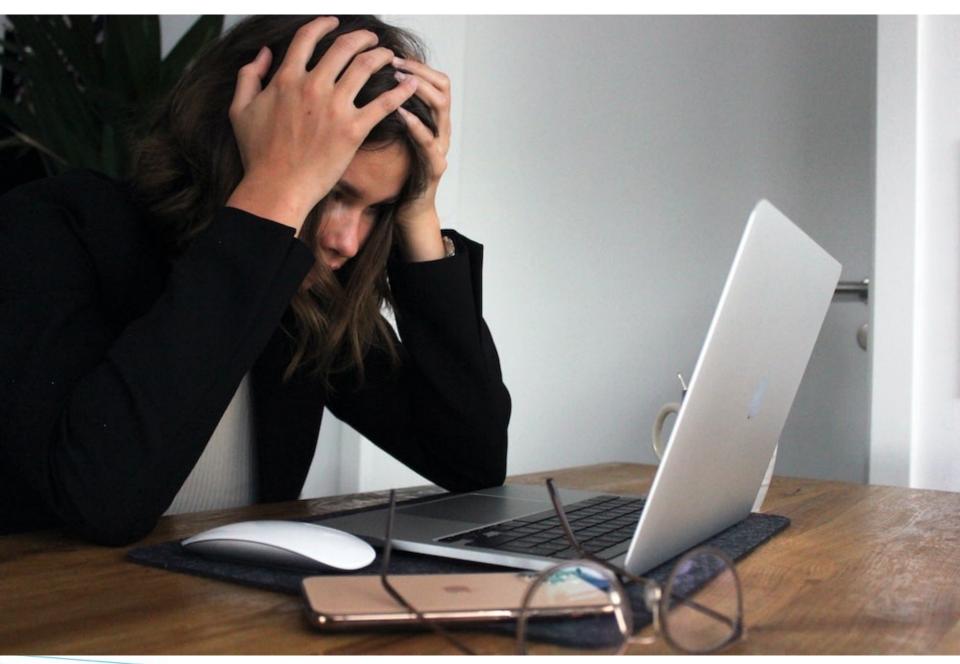
- Individual conditioning (cognitive and affective)
- Information problem
- Type of information
- Context (environment, demographics)
- Mental / psychological conditions





# The model of the Information Search Process (Carol C.Kuhlthau)

Initiation uncertainty Selection optimism confusion; frustration; doubt 3. Exploration **Formulation** clarity 4. Collection sence of direction; confidence 5. 6. Presentation satisfaction or disappointment



Fot. E. Ventur



 These emotions should be known and understood (research)

- When designing, the sense of certainty should be increased and sustained by, among other things:
  - naming
  - ordering
  - appearance





# "Don't make me think!"

(Steve Krug)





# Search patterns

- Reflection of established behaviors, activated more or less consciously in the course of information retrieval
- Patterns of behavior revealed, for example, on the basis of system logs
- Patterns become established under the influence of many experiences through repeated repetition
- Individual patterns (characteristic of individuals) and patterns concerning collectivities





# Searching is deciding

- Choices made before searching (getting results)
  - choice of system
  - choice of strategy
  - choice of terms
  - category selection
- Choices made after searching (displaying results)
  - selection of descriptions
  - selection of information from the content of documents
  - decision to complete / continue the search process





# Theories of decision-making

 Decision-making is the act of consciously choosing one of at least two possible solutions to a problem

- Bounded rationality model Herbert Simon (mid-20th century)
  - people make decisions within certain limitations
  - replacing the search for the best solution (known as maximizing) with the search for a solution that is good enough, not necessarily the best (known as satisficing)





# Theories of information-seeking behavior

- The principle of least effort
- The theory of rational choice
- On the one hand, the user strives for a minimum of effort, on the other - for maximum effect

 The user tries to make a choice that will bring him closer to the information he is looking for, and that is acceptable in terms of the time and commitment required





# Metaphors in design

- Metaphors are like better instruction manuals they let us know how something works without having to explain it in detail
- Metaphors transform something foreign and incomprehensible into something accessible and natural

Metaphors change, evolve, new ones appear





## Metaphors and IA

- Websites as:
  - shopping mall
  - marketplace
  - library
  - jackknife
- Affordances
  - the quality or property of an object that defines its possible uses or makes clear how it can or should be used
- Icons





#### **UX** laws

- Hick's law
- Miller's law
- Jakob's law
- Three click rule





#### Hick's law

- The time it takes to make a decision increases with the number and complexity of choices
- Minimize choices when response times are critical to increase decision time
- Break complex tasks into smaller steps in order to decrease cognitive load
- Avoid overwhelming users by highlighting recommended options





#### Miller's law

- The average person can only keep 7 (plus or minus 2) items in their working memory
- Don't use the "magical number seven" to justify unnecessary design limitations

 Organize content into smaller chunks to help users process, understand, and memorize easily





#### Jakob's law

- Users spend most of their time on other sites. This means that users prefer your site to work the same way as all the other sites they already know
- Users will transfer expectations they have built around one familiar product to another that appears similar
- By leveraging existing mental models, we can create superior user experiences in which the users can focus on their tasks rather than on learning new models





#### Three click rule

- Unofficial web design rule formulated by Jeffrey Zeldman
- User of a website should be able to find any information with no more than three mouse clicks

 It is based on the belief that users of a site will become frustrated and often leave if they cannot find the information within the three clicks





# UX in the design process

- Strategy
  - what are the business objectives and user needs
- Scope
  - transformation of strategy into functional requirements
- Structure and wireframe
  - information architecture; suggestions for interactions navigation
- Surface
  - visual layer





#### **PERSUATION**

POSITIVE EMOTIONS

**USABILITY** 

**RELIABILITY** 

**FUNCTIONALITY** 

**UX PYRAMID** 





# Empathize

- One of the stages in Design Thinking
- Focusing on the user
- In-depth understanding of his conscious and unconscious needs
- Getting into the "skin", "shoes" of the user
- Workshop and team work

RESEARCH





# Why we should survey users?

- Implemented solutions are based on facts, not hunches
- Adaptation of the project (system) to the needs of users (not developers)
- In-depth understanding of the needs of a specific audience
- Better cooperation within the project/evaluation/development team





#### What can we research?

- DECLARATIONS the user says explicitly what they need/experience
- BEHAVIOUR these are data based on the researcher's observation of the user (e.g. on the street, in HotJar)

 PHYSIOLOGY - body reactions to stimuli (eye movements, brain tests, body temperature)





# "If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses"

(Henry Ford)





# "Customers don't know what they want until we've shown them"

(Steve Jobs)





#### User research

- Qualitative
  - How? Why?
  - Focused on subjective user experience
- Quantitative
  - What, how many? Where? How often?
  - Focused on an objective picture of a fragment of reality
- Mixed





#### Qualitative user research methods

- In-depth interview (IDI)
- Ethnography research: user observations and interview
- Focus groups
- Diary studies
- Usability testing + think aloud protocol
- Heatmaps
- Card sorting





#### Quantitative user research methods

- Surveys or questionnaires
- Quantitative usability testing
- A/B testing
- Web analytics
- Clicktracking
- Card sorting





#### Research and what's next?

- Analysis
- Interpretation
- Modeling
  - Personas
  - Empathy maps
  - User scenarios
  - User journey map
  - Diagrams, flows, matrices
- Understanding
- Implementation of solutions





# "Supposing is good, but finding out is better"

(Mark Twain)





## UX in the library

# New Column Launch: The User Experience

by <u>Aaron Schmidt</u> Jan 15, 2010 | Filed in <u>Design</u>



"Library Journal", 2010





#### The Ubiquitous Librarian (Brian Mathews)

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#### → Shifting My Focus – the user experience

As of yesterday I have a new title: User Experience Librarian. This seems to be a natural evolution for me with an emphasis on assessment and communications in the widest terms imaginable.

Essentially, my job now is to <u>study users</u> and to make recommendations to library admin and department heads. I'll also work with others to develop targeted communication strategies and to do a little brand-work. The biggest challenge will be getting all departments/units to trust me—you say the word *assessment* and people freak out.

That being said, we'll be looking for a new librarian soon to fill my former position. Atlanta is nice, seriously it is. GT is a top five engineering school, and a top 10 public university. The Library has a third building "in the works," is a member of ARL, and recently received ACRL's Excellence Award. We're well suited for ambitious entrepreneurial types because we're given a lot of freedom to experiment. We also have competitive Athletics programs. Something to think about.



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## **UX** librarianship

- User-oriented thinking
- Activity closely grounded in research (quantitative and qualitative)
- Involves online and real-world library environments
- More concerned with usability testing than product/service design
- Basic responsibilities of a UX librarian:
  - user research
  - usability testing
  - evaluation of library space
  - evaluation of service quality





My role is looking at the big picture and then to help design a better overall experience for our users

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(Brian Mathews, UX Librarian w Giorgia Tech Library)





I would describe a "UX Librarian" as someone whose primary job responsibilities focus on observing and analyzing usage patterns, customer preferences, and emerging trends, then synthesizing that information into concrete recommendations for changes, improvements, and innovations in the provision of library services and resources, and in the design and features of library spaces and interfaces

(Courtney Greene McDonald, 2018)





Librarian who works to ensure that our systems, spaces, services, and resources help people work in the best ways for them, by gathering evidence and creating compelling narratives and processes to drive change

(Kelly Dagan, 2018)





# "To find ideas, find problems. To find problems, talk to people" (Julie Zhou)





#### Questions?

#### Thank you for your attention

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