## Designing for Ajax

Principles and Patterns for Designing Rich Internet Applications



## Designing for Ajax

- New Model
   Understanding the impact of the rich web
- New Patterns
   New solutions are now possible
- Design Principles
   Nine principles for designing with Ajax
- Yahoo! Patterns Library
   Goal and direction for the Yahoo! Pattern Library

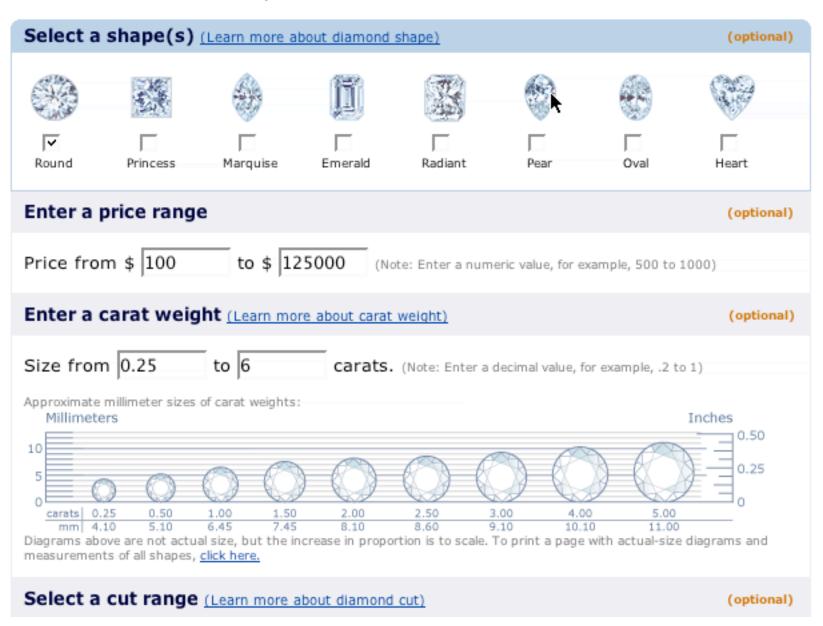


# New Model



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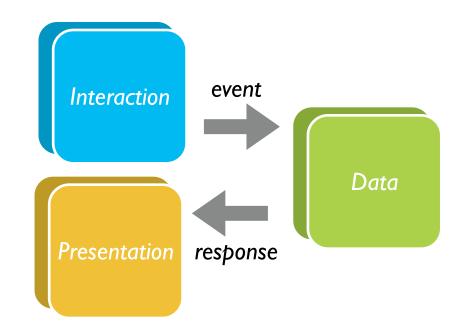


## Defining Richness: Web in 3D

Interaction Dimension

Data Dimension

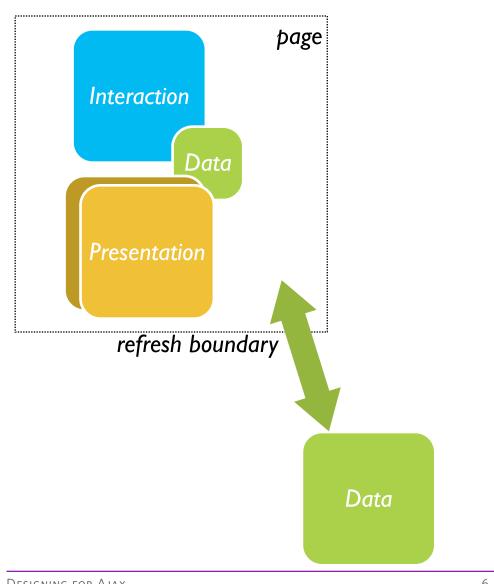
Presentation Dimension





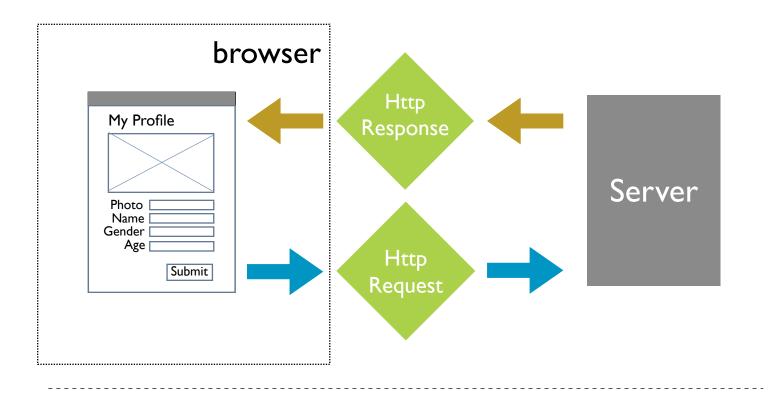
#### Classic Web

- Interaction course-grained
- Data loaded with the page or obtained via refresh
- Presentation: page-based updates





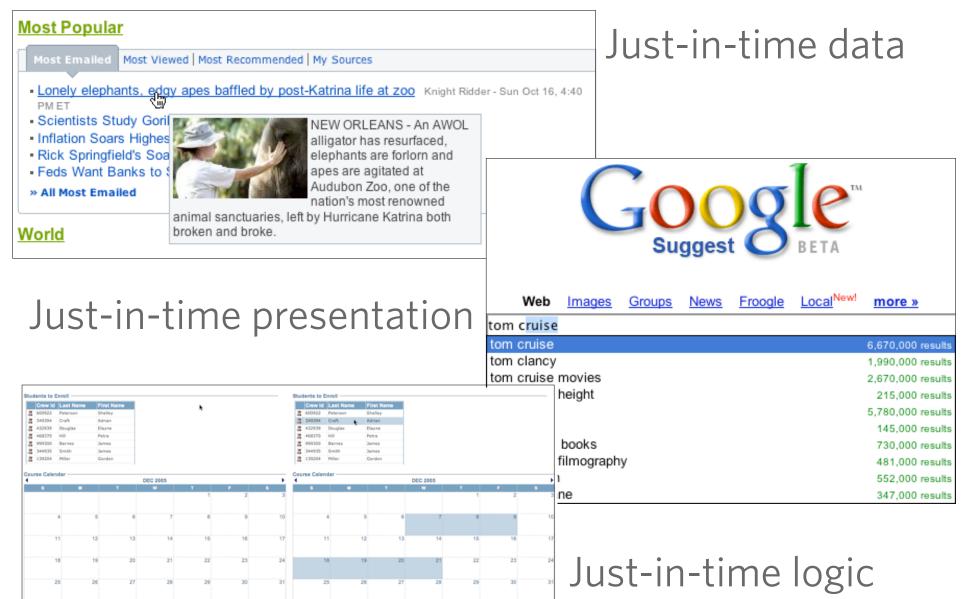
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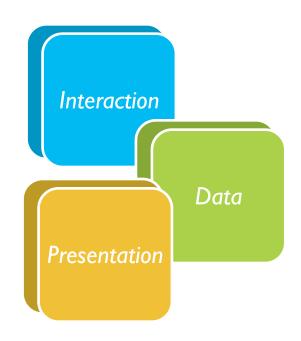
## Ajax = Just-in-Time. Immediacy.





## Ajax Model - New & Improved!

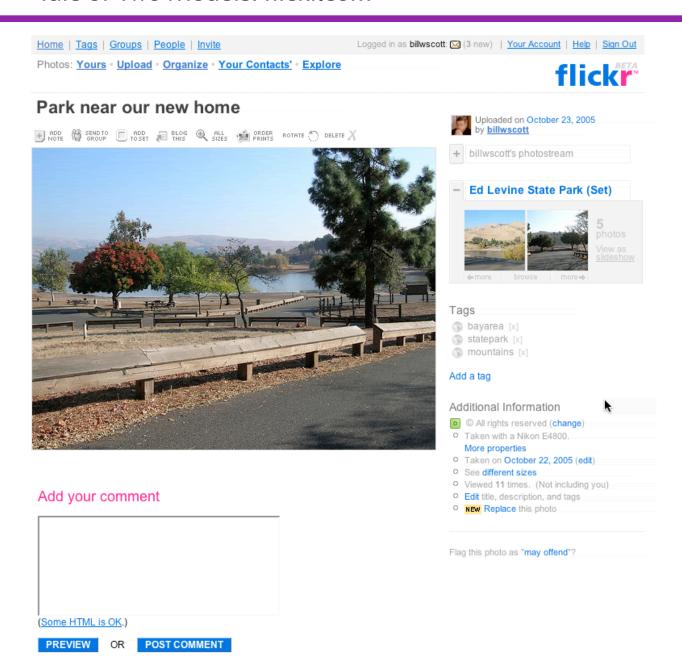
- Now with Deeper Interaction!
- Now with Just-in-Time Data & Just-in-Time Logic!
  - ★ XMLHttpRequest (XHR) is the secret sauce!
- Now with Richer Interface!



All dimensions are closer



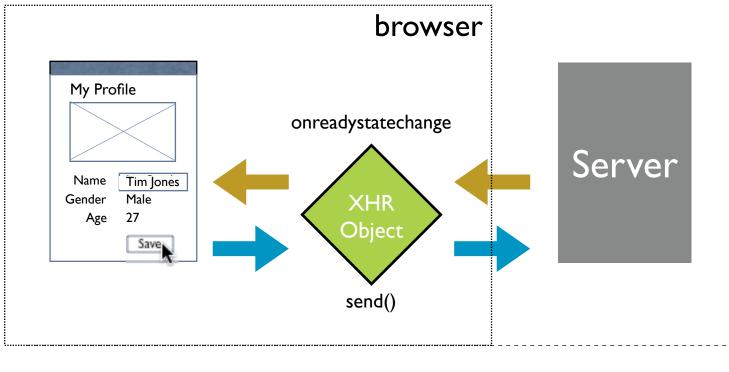
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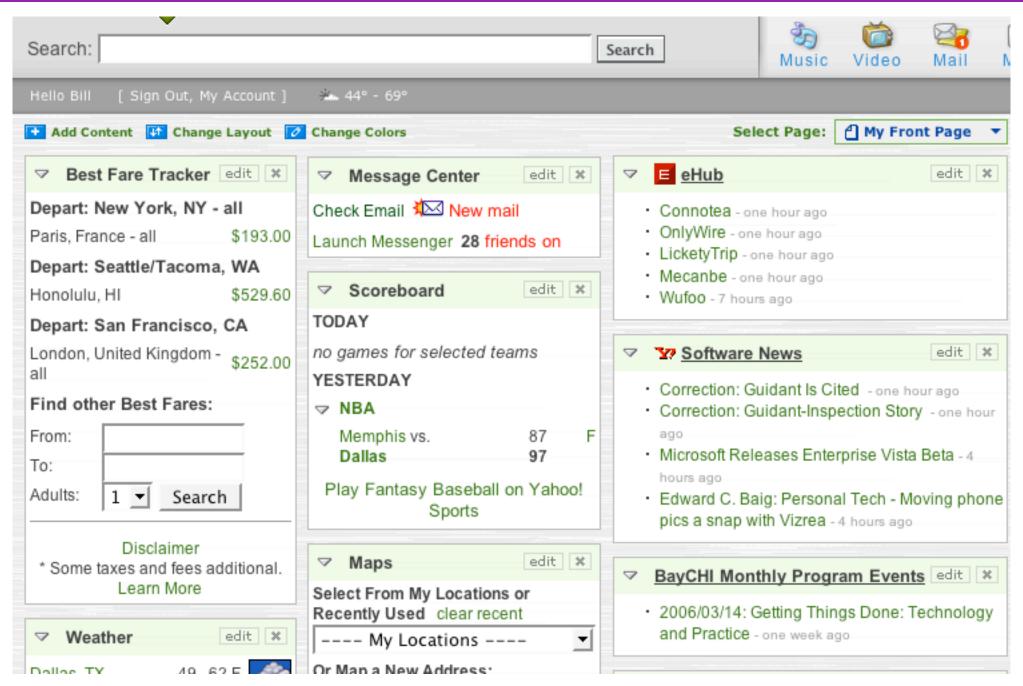
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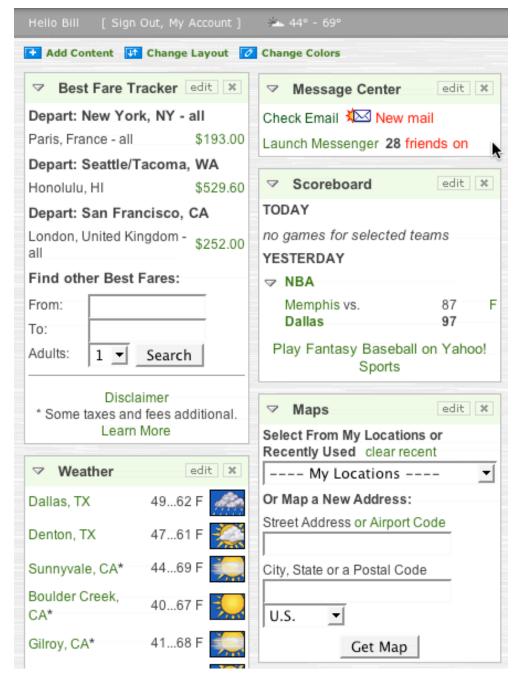


#### Classic Web: Layout Content Modules



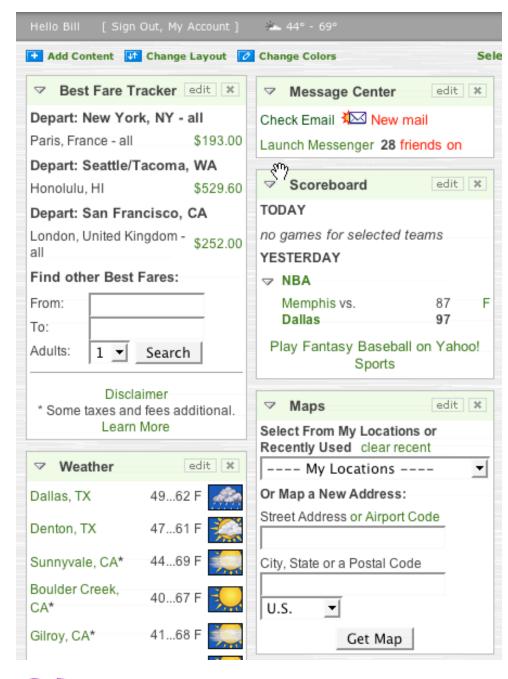


#### Slightly Richer Interaction: Layout Content Modules





#### Rich Web: Layout Content Modules





## A Tipping Point

- Invented and held captive in Redmond
- Dot com bust
- Innovation under the radar
- Seeds were sown by the browser wars
- From the ashes Firefox rises
- Google's gambit gives the stamp of approval
- Ajax is christened
- Outliers come on board



### AJAX vs Ajax

- AJAX = Asynchronous JavaScript and XML
  - Strict definition is using XMLHttpRequest (XHR) to retrieve XML within a web page
- Ajax = The set of technologies that allow web applications to provide rich interaction, just-in-time information and dynamic interfaces without required page refresh
- The Secret Sauce XHR
  - Ajax = XHR + DHTML (HTML, CSS, JavaScript) + Rich design



## Other Remote Scripting Techniques

- Hidden IFrame
- <img> src
- <script> src hack
- CSS href hack
- JS to faceless Java applets
- JS to faceless Flash
- NO CONTENT Response
- Cookies



## New Patterns



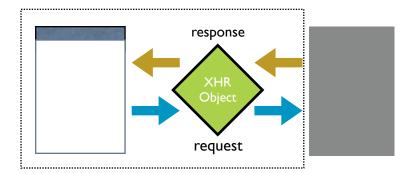
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#### But What Can XHR Do?

- Make a request
- Return a response

And do it asynchronously





## Anatomy of a Pattern

- Ajax design patterns contain three steps
  - **Trigger** (event or timer)
  - Operation (Ajax, remote scripting)
  - Update (presentation)

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## **Trigger**

- Every pattern starts with
  - a user event
  - a timer event

mouseout hover keypress keydown mousedown drop filter choices mouseup drag click mousedown select focus blur resize move timeout









### **Operation**

Ajax patterns open the door to immediacy

- Lookup I can get information when I need it
- Persist I can save in real-time
- Validate I can prevent errors early
- Invoke I can make things happen now
- Message I can communicate instantly









#### Operation. Lookup

#### I can get information when I need it

Auto Complete. Deferred Content Loading. Dynamic Goal. Narrowing Choices. Refining Search. Live Search. Dynamic Filter. Detail Zoom. Endless Scrolling. Expandable Paging Boundary. Fresh Content. Hover Detail. In Place Drill Down. On Demand Refresh. Periodic Refresh. Resizable Modules. Scrolling Modules. Auto Form Fill.

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Update



#### **Lookup** live search





type, Google will offer suggestions. Use the arrow keys to navigate the results. L

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#### Instant Search BETA

Search the Web

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- wikipedia
- nfl

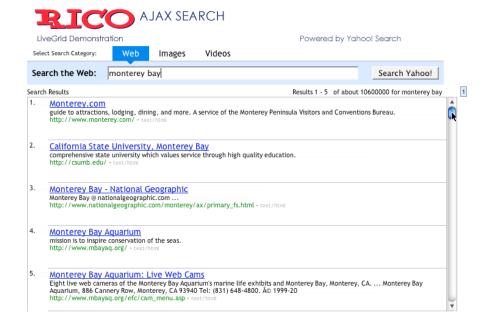
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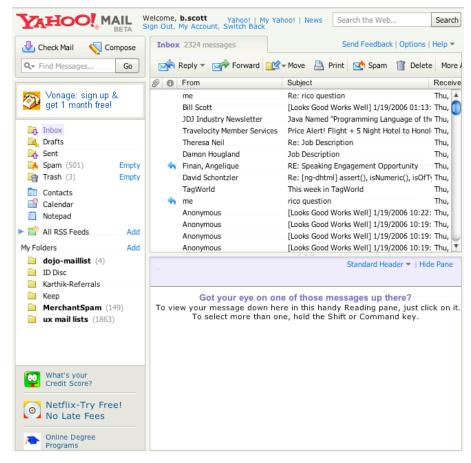






#### Rico LiveGrid





#### Yahoo! Mail Beta (Oddpost)



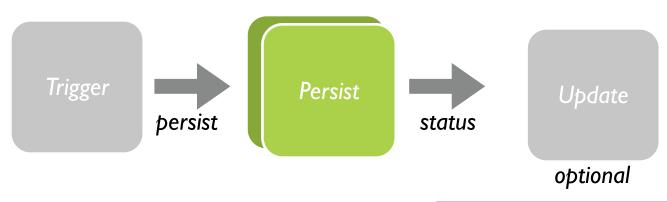


#### **Operation.** Persist

#### I can save in real-time

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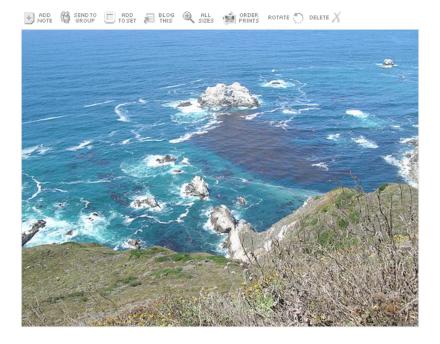
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#### Persist inline edit

#### **Rocky Waters**

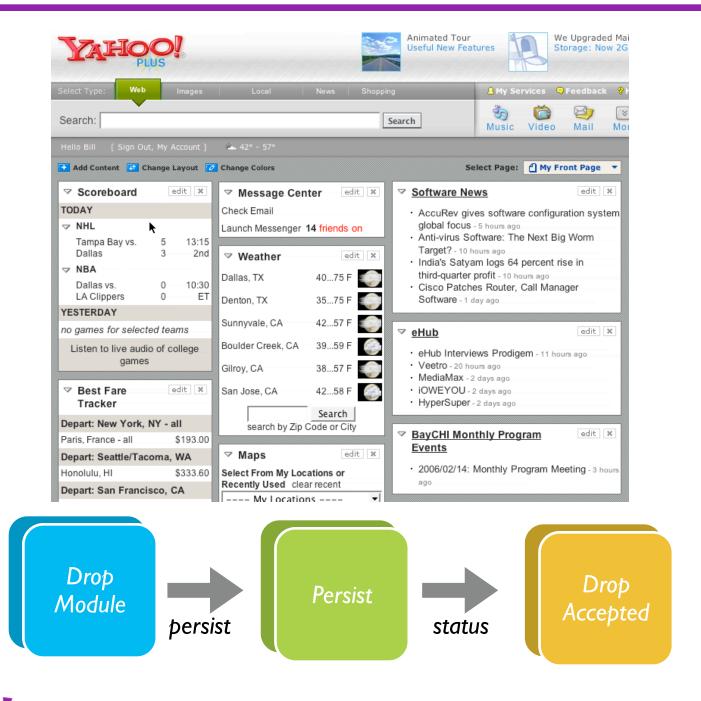








#### **Persist** persistent portals





## **Update**

Patterns reflect a visual change

Indication. Busy Indication. Cursor Busy. In Context Busy. In Context Progress. Inline Status. Transition. Brighten Transition. Cross Fade Transition. Dim Transition. Expand Transition. Fade In Transition. Fade Out Transition. Flip Transition. Move Transition. Self-Healing Transition. Collapse Transition. Slide Transition. Rich Internet Object. Available. Selected. Identifiable Object. Slide-out. Popup Balloon.





#### Pattern-O-Matic





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# Design Principles



## Nine Principles for Rich Design

- 1. Keep it direct
- 2. Provide live feedback
- 3. Offer an invitation
- 4. Use dynamic space
- 5. Cross borders reluctantly
- 6. Leave a light footprint
- 7. Show transitions
- 8. Think in objects
- 9. Tell a story



## 1

## Keep it direct

Prefer interaction inside the page
Use direct editing on content
Keep your tools nearby
Create smart tools that infer context
Use drag and drop where appropriate



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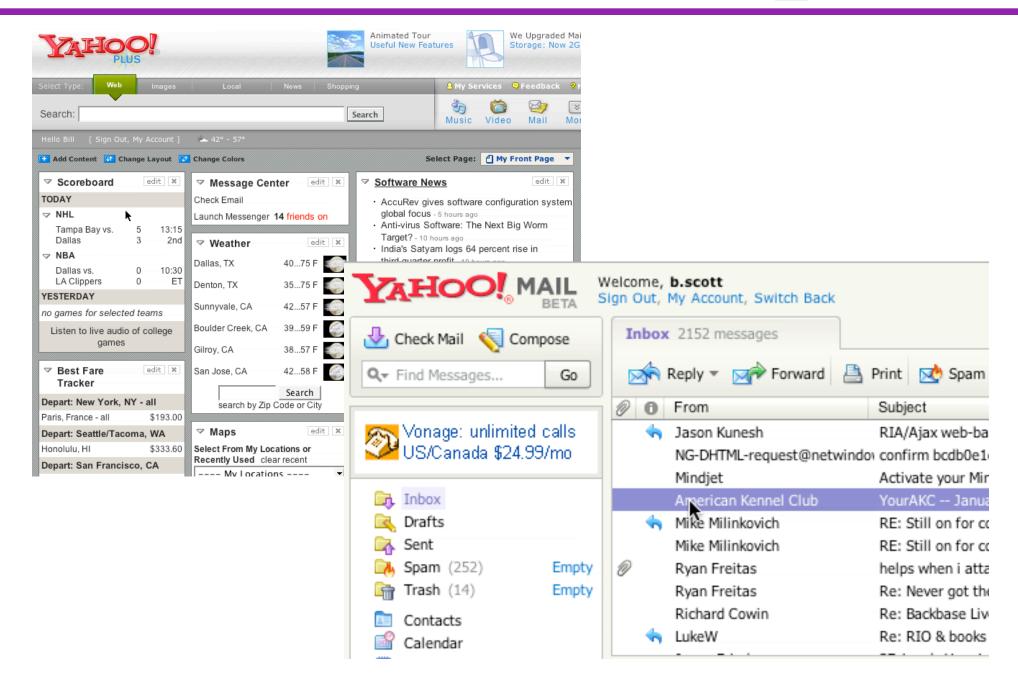


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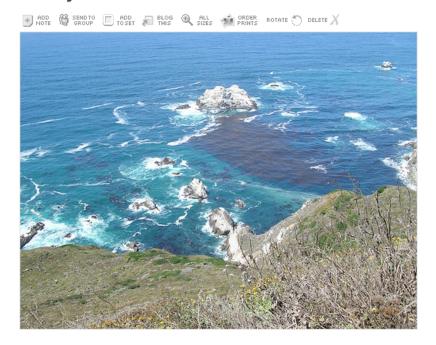
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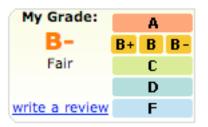


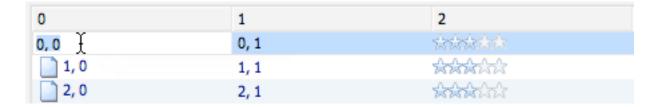


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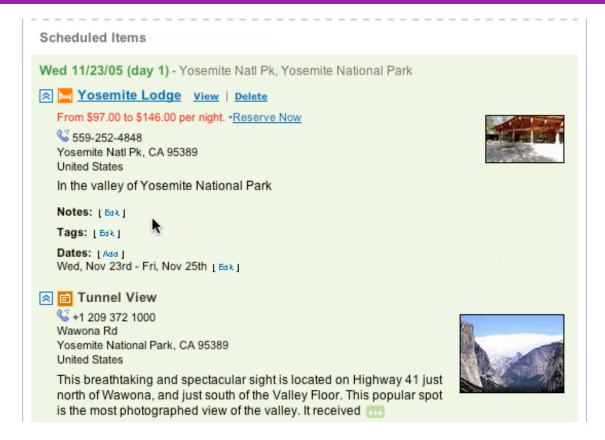
















- Inline Text Editing
  - Do we need save/cancel? Is so, when?
  - Try to not disturb the page when switching modes
- Discoverability
  - Not expected model of most content
  - Any visual treatment clutters the screen
  - On page tips?
- Once someone learns it, is it so useful it outweighs initial discoverability issues?
- Combine with invitations, spotlights, inline indicators
- Should you use drag and drop?



## 2

## Provide live feedback

Design for immediacy

Design for relevancy

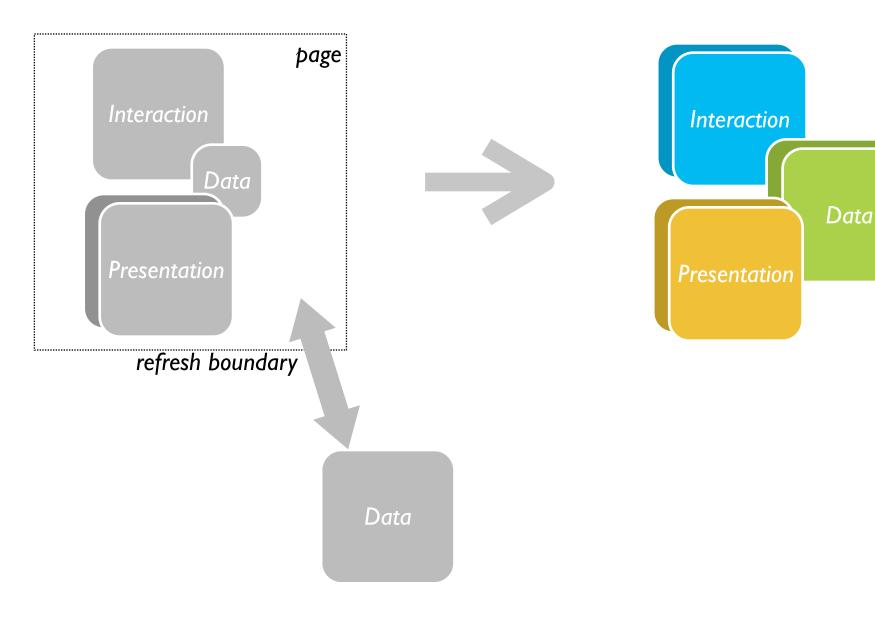
Use live previews (look before you leap)

Play the confidence game

Create nimble clients

Watch out, feedback can be distracting

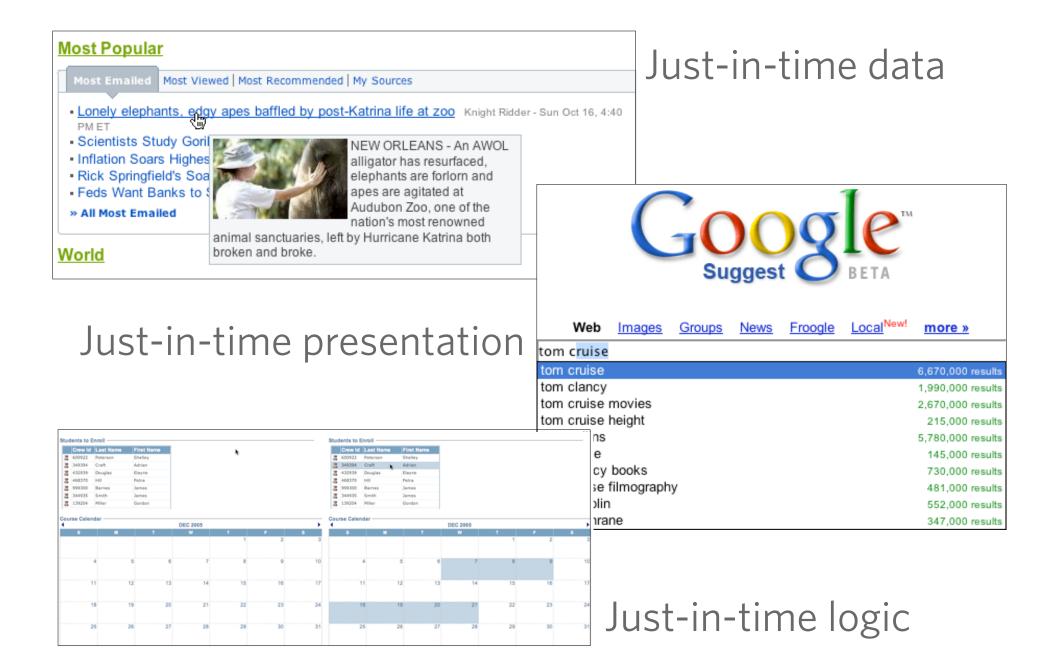






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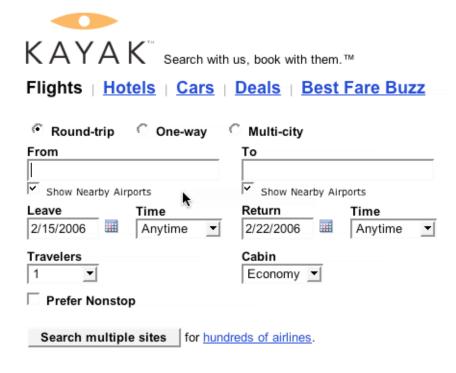
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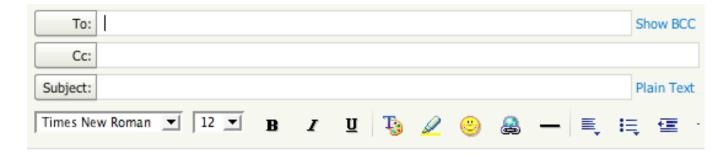
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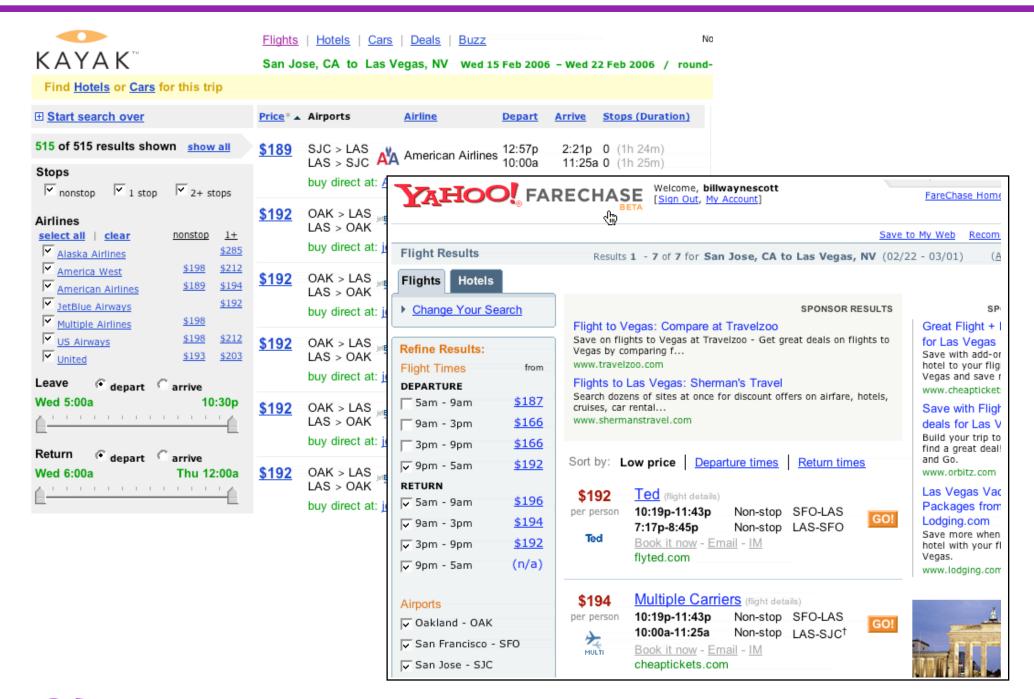




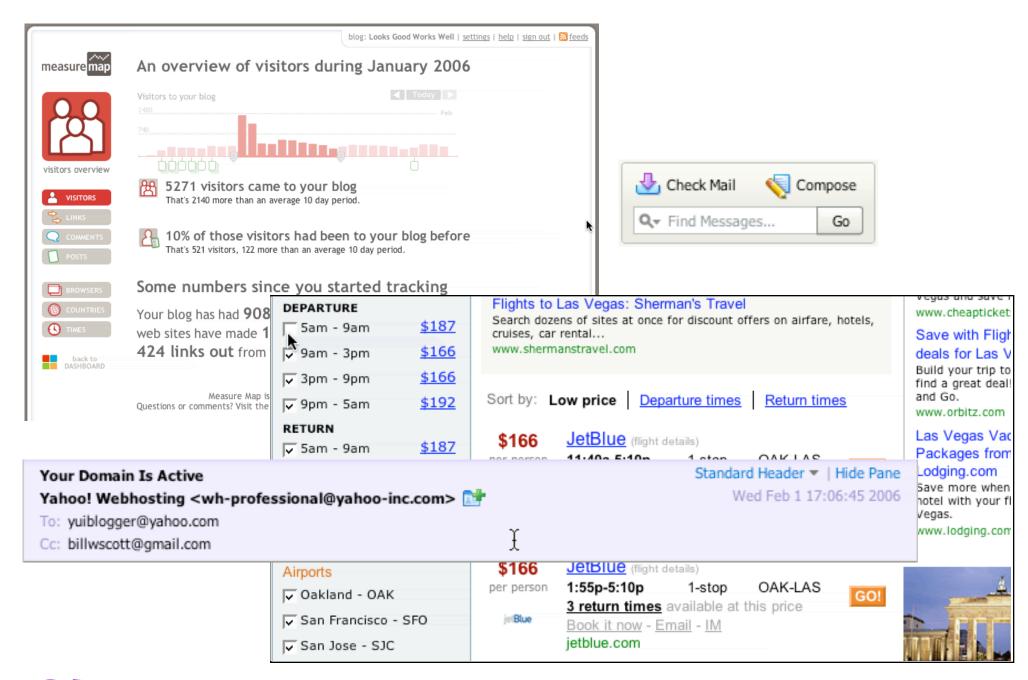




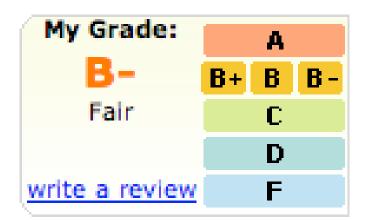










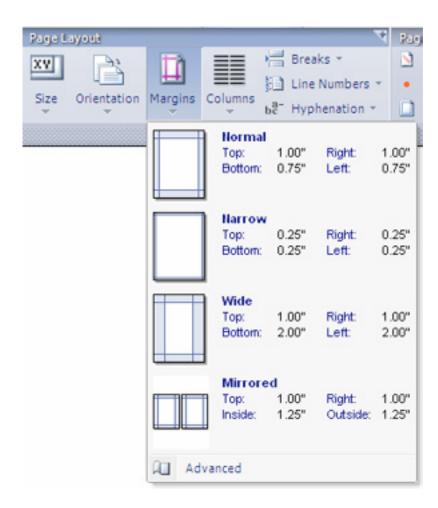




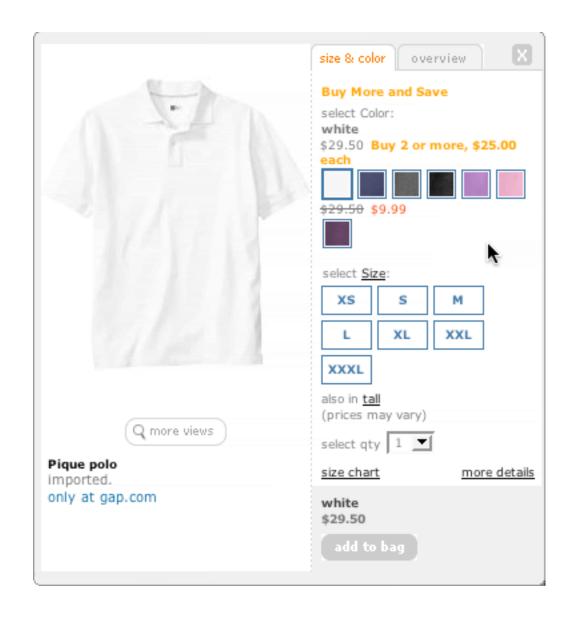




- Microsoft Vista/Office 10
  - Hover over gallery item
  - Shows live preview without committing
  - Only on click is the preview accepted
    - At which point the menu goes away and selection is retained
    - Otherwise mouse out returns to normal view









- Distracting or narrowing? When live search works
- Search is hard to narrow without distracting Its only distracting when I don't like the results
  - Google suggests information I don't want distracting
  - Yahoo! Instant search narrows too quickly
  - Auto complete is a bounded problem easy to narrow
  - Odyssey of Y! Mail Beta Search
- Obvious conclusion
  - The results are direct results-- not indirect results
  - The results are actually narrowing and not diverging
  - The results are narrowing and yet not distracting



- In context feedback should
  - Not disturb the unrelated elements on the page
  - Be close in proximity
  - Either animated or clearly visible
  - Be transient
  - Not jerky (distracting)



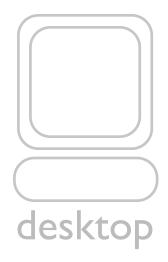
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## Offer an invitation

Rediscover hover

Use invitations to aid in discoverability
Use lightweight events as the welcome mat
Don't confuse invitation with action - keep it safe
Invite, don't proselytize





hover blur focus Click key
shiftclick doubleclick
drag dragdrop dragflipdrop
shiftdoubleclick tripleclick shifttripleclick

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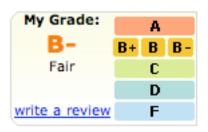
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List	5
	Remove this item
	Add item or I'm done adding items
	Make a new list
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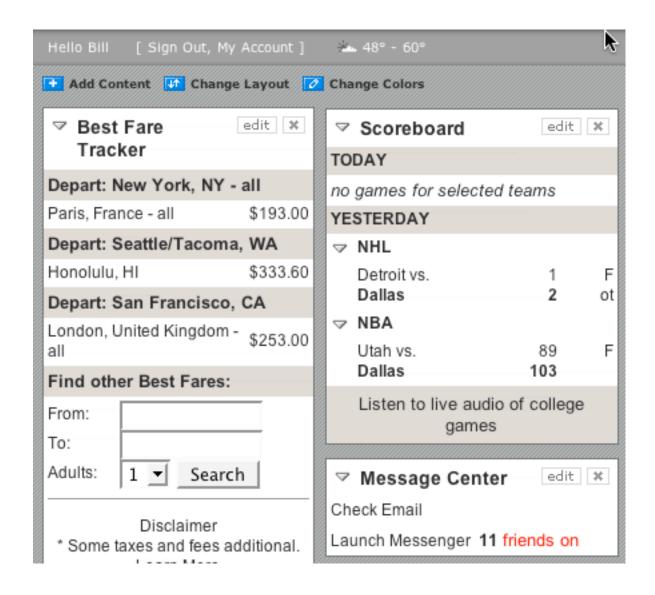


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## Discovering Idioms

- Idioms must be discovered and learned
  - User is not even aware of inline editing on a web page
  - Challenge is how to get them to discover and learn the idiom
- Discovering Features
  - Features employing a learned idiom must be first discovered
  - Challenge is how to indicate an idiom is employed with the least amount of visual clues



- Help tip announcing the feature that employs the idiom
  - But users don't often read text
- One-Second Spotlight on tip to catch user's attention
  - Once they have successfully used feature, remove help text
- Help switch
  - Depress to see help bubbles, tips around the page
  - Combine with tip to spotlight the feature
- Tour
- Hover techniques



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## Use dynamic space

Planning the backstage

Use overlays and expands correctly

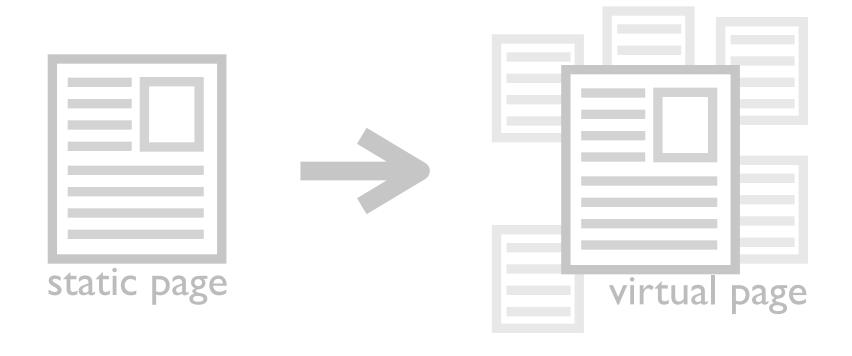
Use time to your advantage

Use slide, zoom, flip, lens, overlay to extend space

Use transitions to introduce new characters

Use zoom to focus on detail







Detail Zoom. Opacity Focus.
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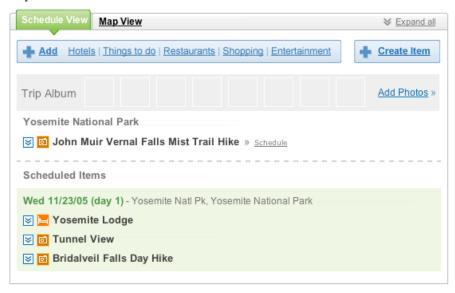
- Overlays float above the document layer
- Does not disturb the page
- Use overlays for
  - Information that is not part of collection
  - Something temporarily has priority, focus
  - To replace page transition
  - For transient input
  - For contextual information





- In context panels expand/collapse in place
  - When one of many can be manipulated
  - To manage large collections
  - To manage navigation container
  - To manage content container

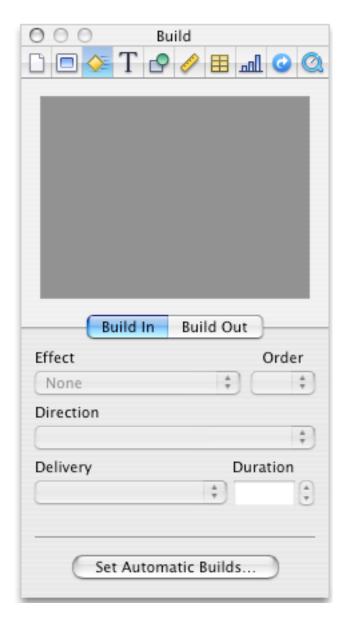




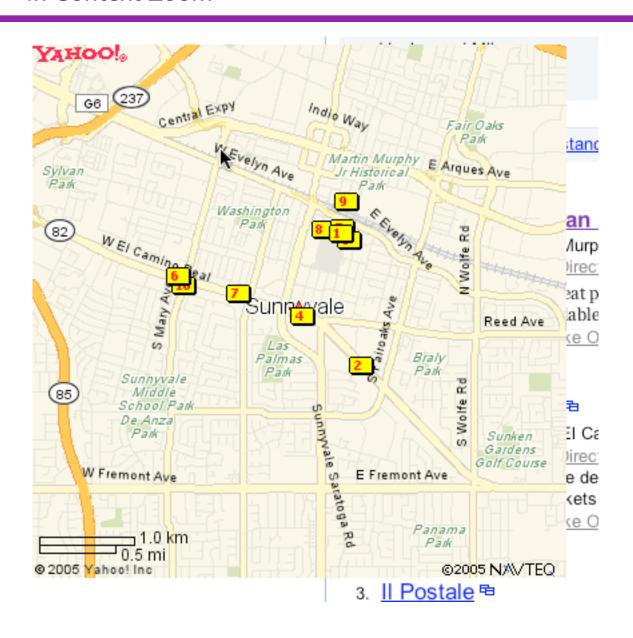


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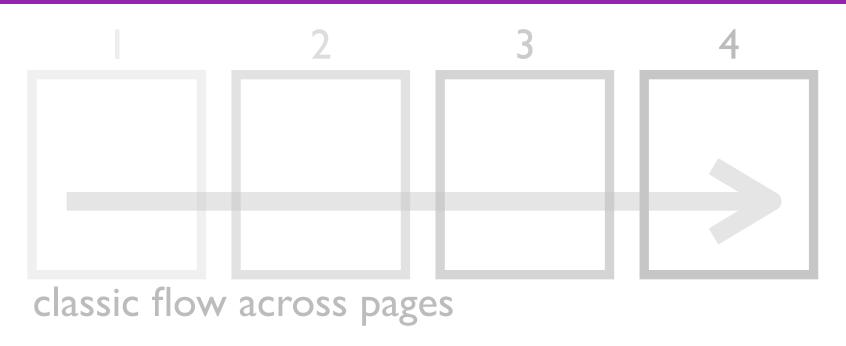
- Diminish disruption to the flow
- Use transitions to communicate origin, destination
- Use transitions to communicate symmetry of action
- Discoverability. Users may not discover your hidden areas. Use invitations to expose where hidden areas are

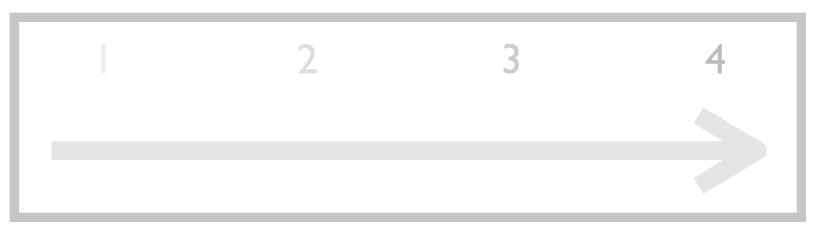


## Cross borders reluctantly

Page boundaries cause mental interruptions
When paging make it lightweight as possible
Use lightweight in-context popups to stay in page







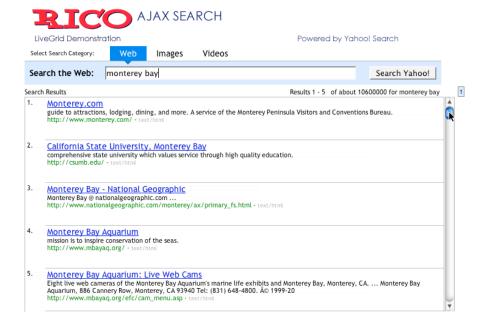
rich flow within page

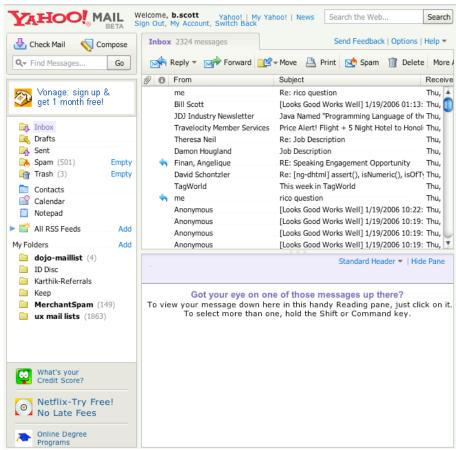


**Endless Scrolling. Expandable Paging Boundary. Fresh Content. Hover Detail. In Place Drill Down. Inline Assistant.** Inline Validation. Validate Then Suggest. On Demand Refresh. Resizable **Modules. Scrolling** Modules.



### Rico LiveGrid





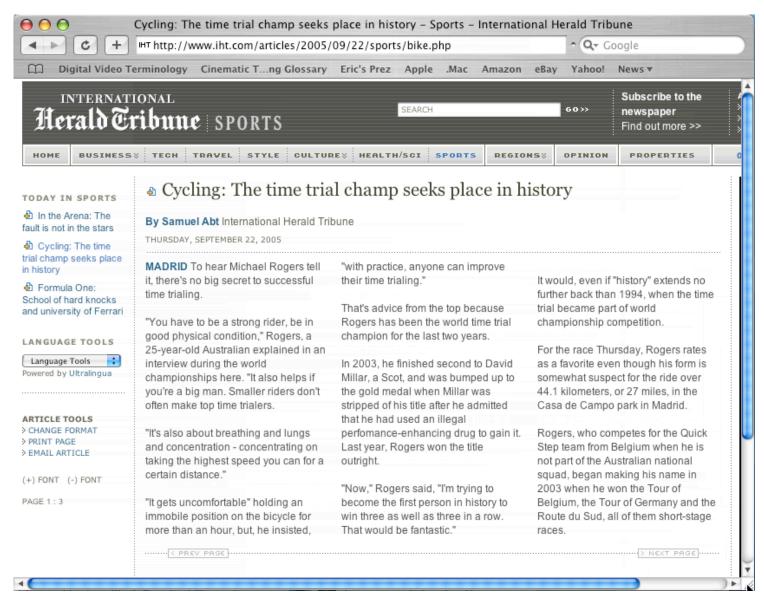
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- Scrolling search
  - Normally only the first few results matters
- Scrolling collections
  - Very useful, sorting & scrolling used to explore the results
  - Not sure what is useful
  - Each item is unique in specific attributes
  - Example: games, merchandise, mail messages, photos
- Is the data naturally chunked?
- Can you solve the dual scroll bar problem?
- Will sorting, filtering, exploring be important?



## At the very least make your paging fast

















Choose a password:

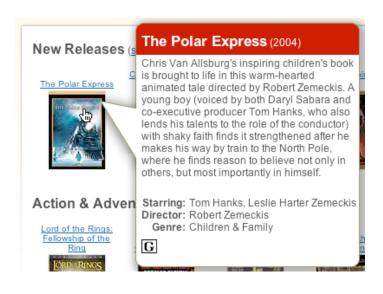
Password strength: Too short

## Your current email address: someone@somewhere.com e.g. myname@example.com. This will be your username and sign-in.

Minimum of 6 characters in length.



- For introduction of features
- For giving instruction
- For revealing information
- For interrogative feedback
- For obtaining input
- For important interruptions
- For indication of status or progress
- For offering an invitation



- Make activation & deactivation feel lightweight
- Avoid using secondary browser windows
- Use visual styles that suggest lightness
- Think of popups as auxiliary areas of the screen



- Invitation
- Activation
- Expand
- Collapse
- Move
- Resize
- Close

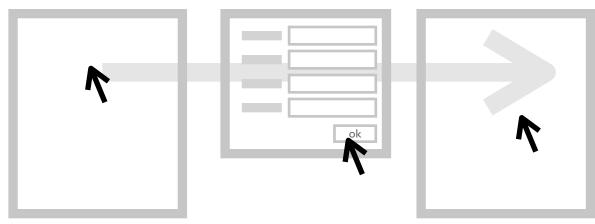


## Leave a light footprint

Use hover, blur, focus, click as footprints
Keep actions immediate and light
Watch your click weight
Design for engaging moments
Use invitations

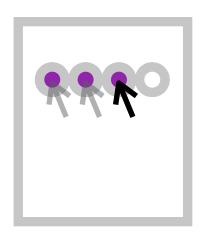






heavy click-weight





light-weight actions



Auto Save. In Context
Tools. In Page Action.
Remembered Collection.
Remembered
Preferences. Auto Form
Fill. Live Ratings.



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### straight fit



loose staight fit (sandblasted vintage) \$49.50



straight fit corduroy pants \$44.50 Buy 1 or more, save \$14.55 each See All



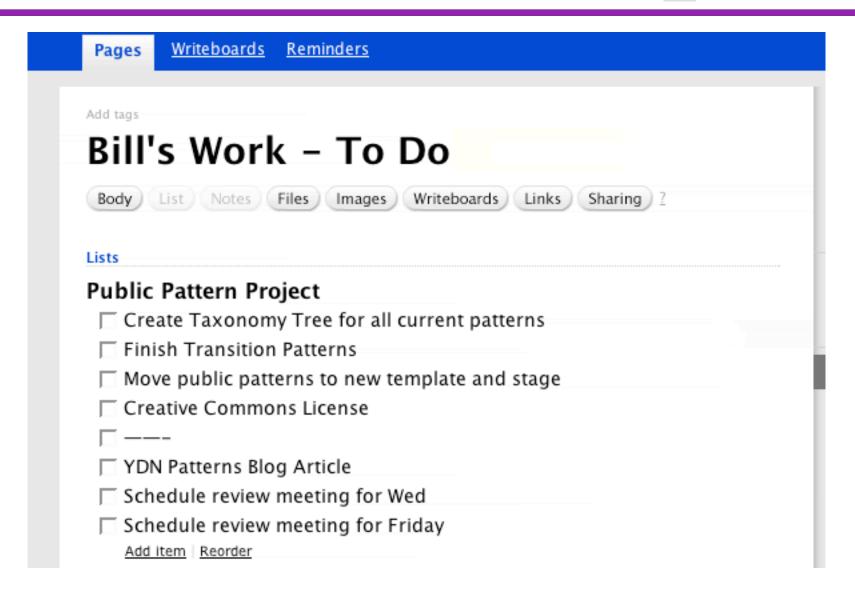
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straight fit (dark authentic) \$44.50

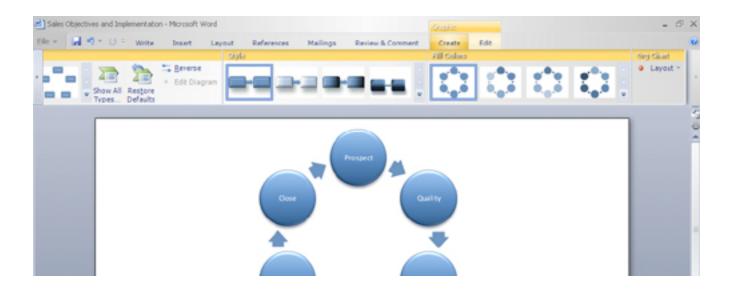








## Microsoft Vista, Office 10 Contextual Command Tabs





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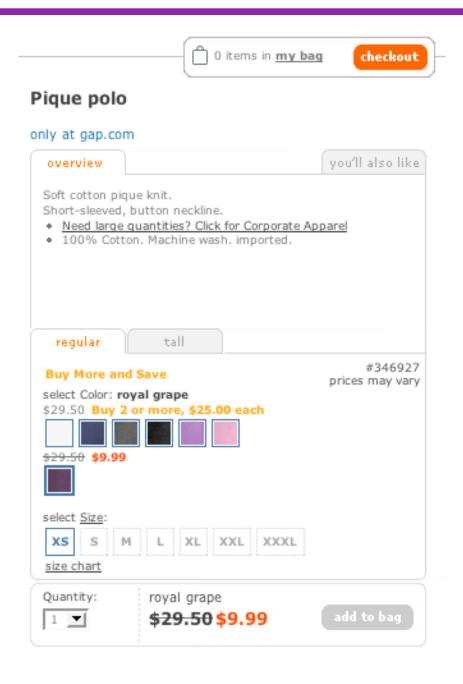










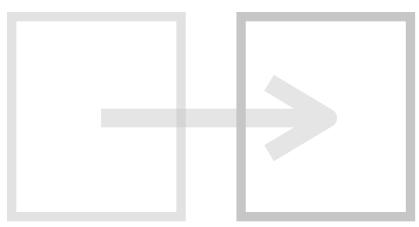




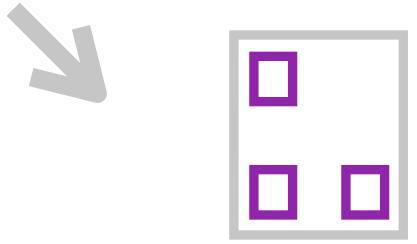
## **Show transitions**

Keep transitions to a minimum; communication is the key Engage the user during longer transitions Communicate status & progress for waiting transitions Communicate change for state transitions Show relationships for relational transitions





page-based transitions

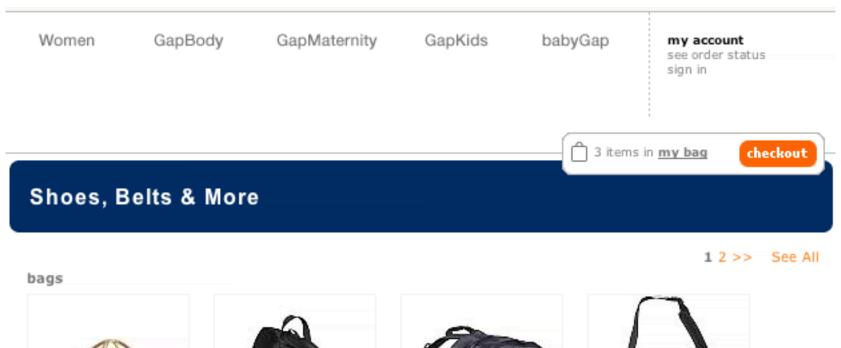


multiple transitions, single page



Transition. Brighten Transition.
Cross Fade Transition. Dim
Transition. Expand Transition.
Fade In Transition. Fade Out
Transition. Flip Transition.
Move Transition. Self-Healing
Transition. Shrink Transition.
Slide Transition.







Premium canvas duffle

urban nylon sling

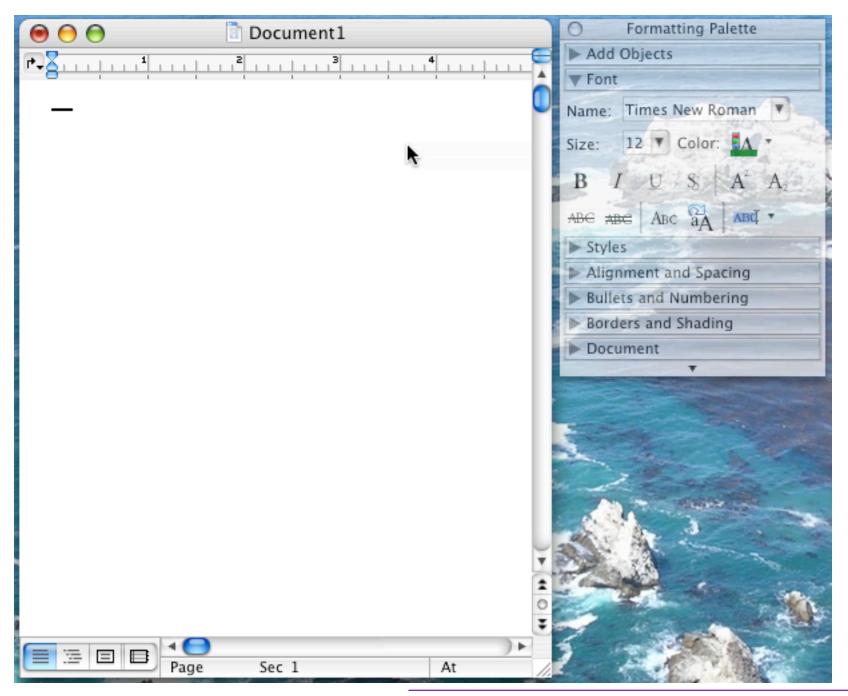
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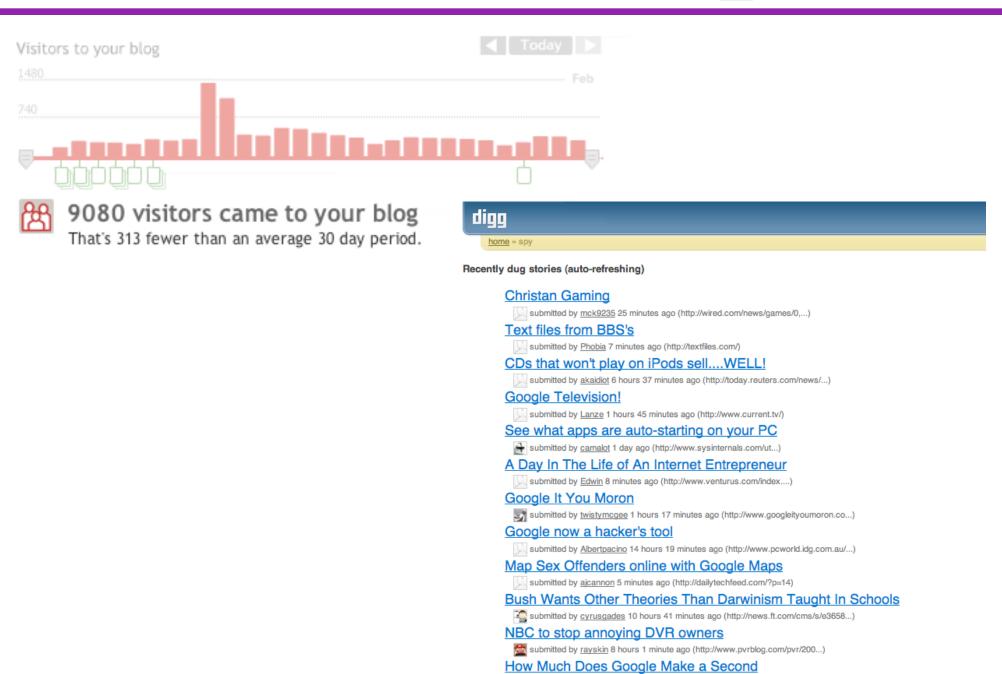
urban nylon backpack \$29.50



nylon commuter bag \$68.00





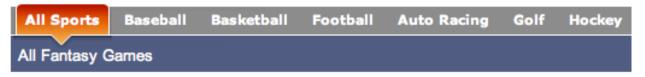




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#### Starter Web Page

Publish basic information on a placeholder web page — until you're ready to upgrade to a full web site.

View a sample.

#### Domain Locking

Safeguard your domain from hijacking and unauthorized transfers with domain locking. Yahoo! Domains secures your domain for you — and only you.

#### Domain Forwarding

Point your new domain name to a web site you already have with domain forwarding. This is a useful feature if you own multiple domain names.

#### Complete Domain (DNS) Control

Advanced users: You can easily edit your name servers and MX, A, and CNAME records for complete control over your domain.

#### · Email Forwarding

Unlimited forwarding of messages sent to your new domain name into your free Yahoo! email account.



Leam more...





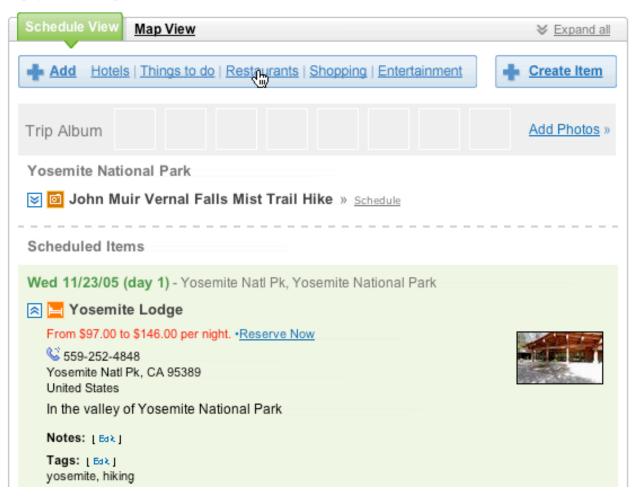


### Yosemite Thanksgiving [Edit]

A trip to YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK Fun in Yosemite with Daniel & Kids

This trip is public ◆Sharing settings ◆Email this trip

[ Update\_photos ]





- Brighten. Raise importance
- Cross Fade. One leaves, another enters
- Dim. Lower importance
- Expand. Open in context of others
- Fade In. Good for adds
- Fade Out. Good for deletes
- Flip. Edit configuration
- Move. Change relationship, tweening
- Self-Healing. After delete or "yank"
- Shrink. Close in context of others
- Slide. Similar to expand but child window



- Cut transitions in half?
- Try to communicate without transitions, then turn up the contrast knob -- adding them in incrementally
- Use when
  - Multiple items change
  - In context deletes, adds, moves
  - Items hide/show
- Don't overuse



## Think in objects

Think rich internet objects instead of documents

Objects have identity (recognizable)

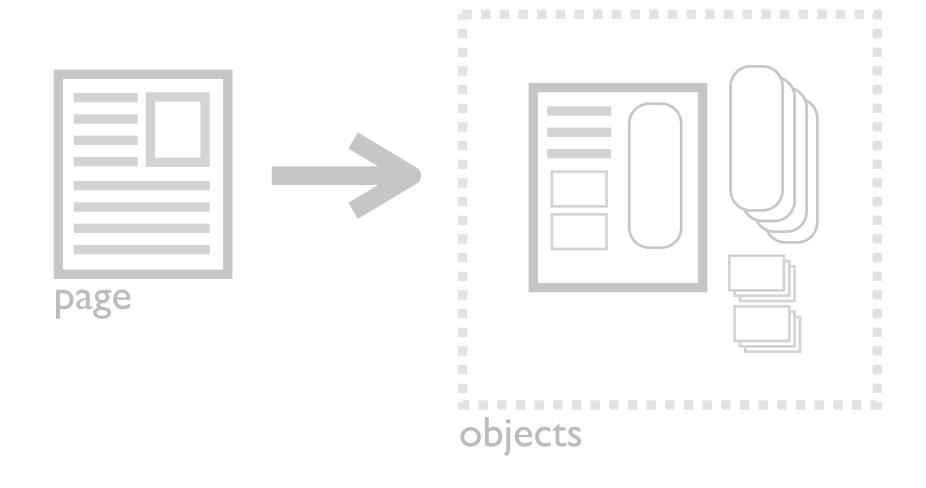
Objects have a life (permanence)

Objects are owned (personal)

Objects are shareable (community)

Objects have personality (engagement)





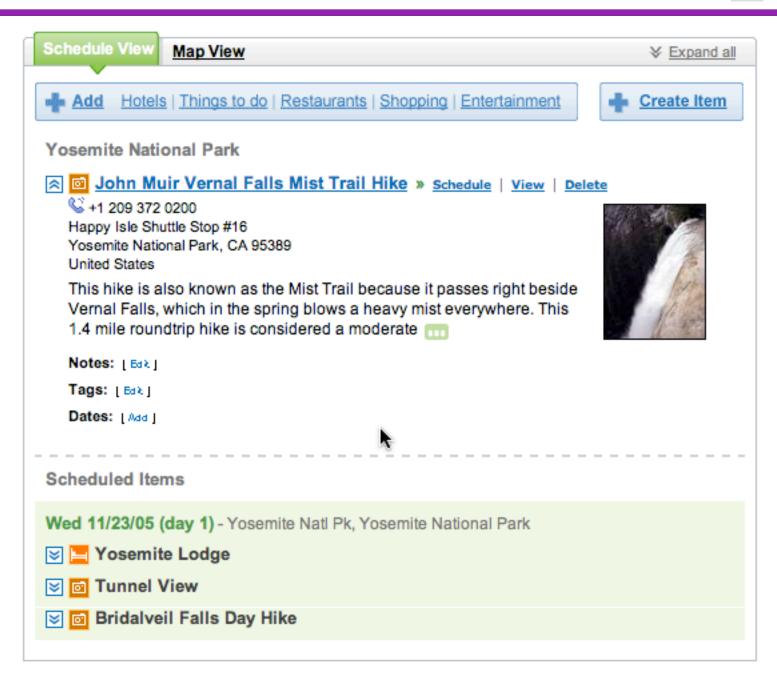


## Rich Internet Object. Available. Selected. Identifiable Object.



	Page-Based Web	Rich Internet App
Richer Model	Document	Rich Internet Object
Longer Lifecycle	Transient	Permanent
Community/ Sharing	Bookmark	Content, properties, and behaviors







- How to distinguish from content?
- How to share, mail, print, etc. (in context tools?)
- How to create collections and share
  - Photos, albums
  - Trips, sets



# 9 Tell a story

As a designer you are the story teller, so tell the story Design for interesting moments

Cast your events and actors carefully

Use storyboarding

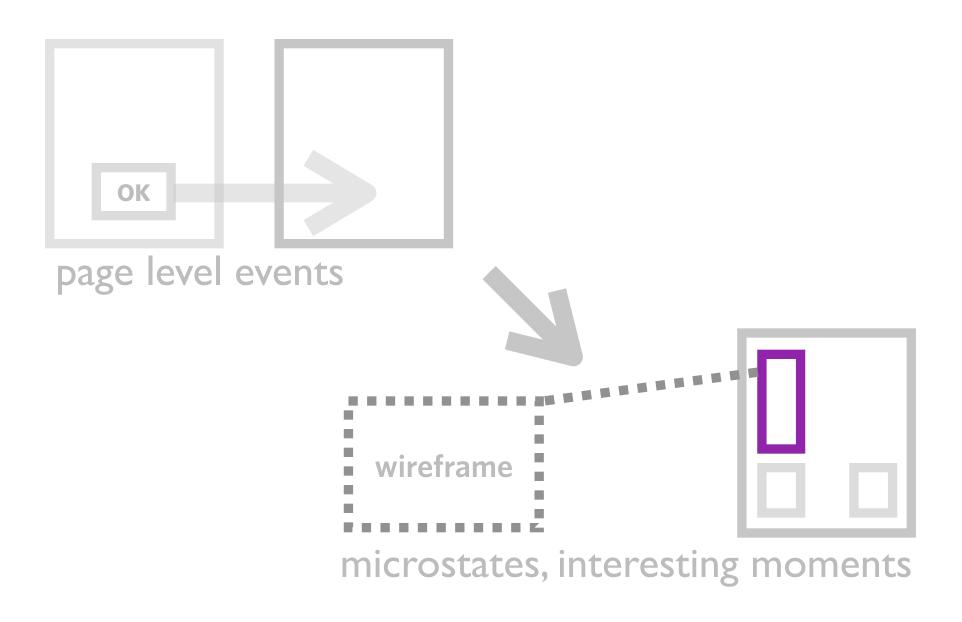




Wireframing Ajax is a [expletive]... We have to determine all of the things a user might do, and wireframe the blessed moments of each possibility."

- Jeffrey Zeldman, Web 3.0







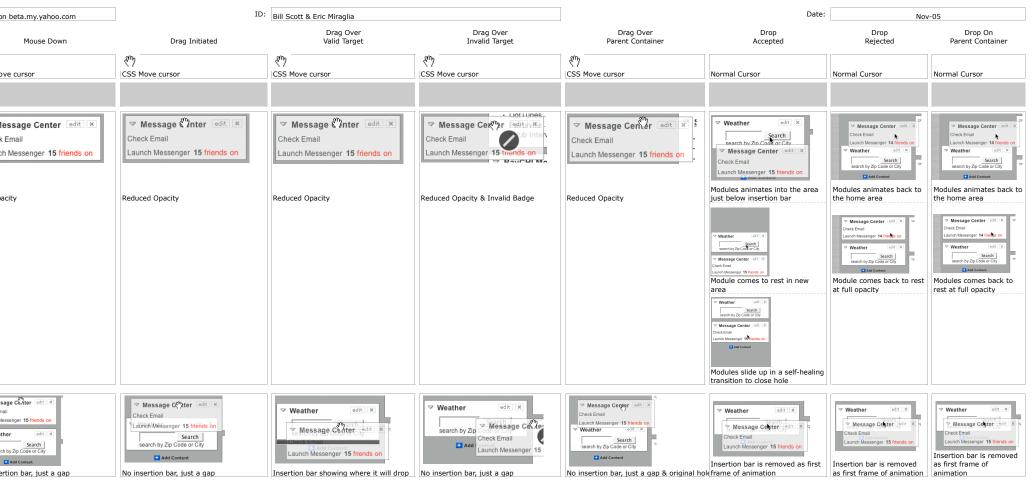
# Time

Detail

Context



#### Drag and Drop Modules - Interesting Moments Grid





## Drag & Drop Interesting moments

- Page load
- Mouse hover over drag-able object
- Mouse down on drag-able object
- Drag initiated (mouse down, mouse moves >= 3 pixels)
- Drag over valid target area
- Drag over invalid target area
- Drag over original location
- Drop accepted
- Drop rejected
- Drop on original location



## Drag & Drop actors

- Page
- Cursor
- Tool Tip
- Drag object
- Drag ghost
- Original location
- Drop target

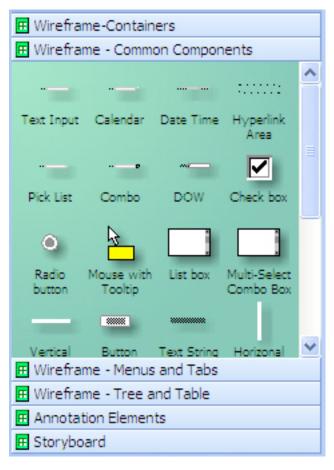


## Storyboarding

- Documentation has centered around layout, priority and behavior of content and functional items
  - Interactions typically defined as discrete states (pages)
  - Multiple page flow diagrams are now a single page with rich interactions
- Storyboarding provides a way to capture design flow



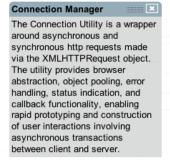
- Animations can provide timing in context
- Hard to capture branches
- Tools. Visio, Photoshop CS2, etc.













### Key Frames/MicroStates



Participant Interface Notes	
	Register page
	18 July 2005
Version:	1.0
Function	al Notes:

The registration page allows users to signup for Participate simply by entering a user name and a valid email address.

- Provide the user with some notification of what the email a friend action is worth in Participant points to encourage follow-through and introduce non-registered users in the Incentive program.
- On click, commit the user's entered email addresses and message, send to target addresses, and link user to a confirmation page
- For users who have invited friends over email, provide reporting on # invited and # accepted. Hide actual names by default, but allow users to view them by clicking the "view" link

When user completes name entry and clicks to email entry, compare the entered name to previously claimed names on the site. If the name is a match, generate alternates that can be clicked on to fill the entry field.

The name ryan\_c is unavailable. How about: ryan\_c\_01 iam\_ryanc

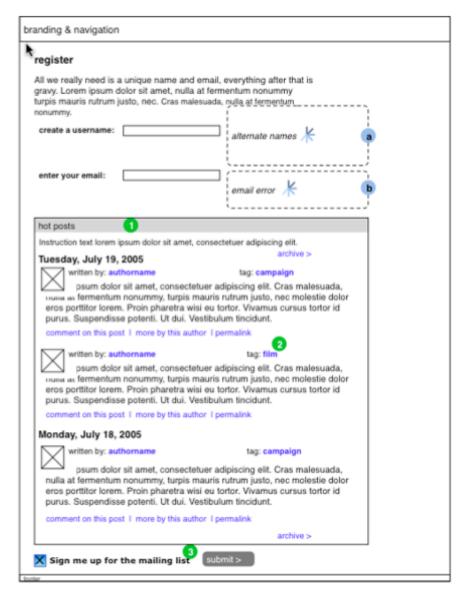


User makes selection or inputs new name that is valid & available:

That name works. Thanks!

b Is it possible to treat the "submit" button click as a call to validate the form of the user's entered email? If there are any formating errors, alert the user and prevent the page from loading the confirmation.

The address you entered isn't formatted properly.





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# Detail

Storyboard Grid

# Context

Storyboards, Wireframes + Key Frames



Photoshop CS2 animations

http://looksgoodworkswell.blogspot.com/2005/11/animating-interactions-with-photoshop.html

Boxes and arrows article

http://www.boxesandarrows.com/view/
storyboarding\_rich\_internet\_applications\_with\_visio

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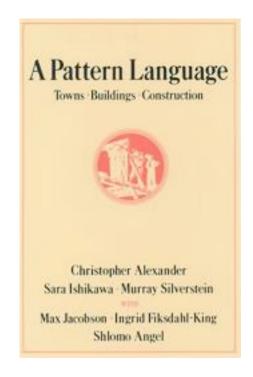


# Yahoo! Pattern Library



# **Origin of Patterns**

- A Pattern Language, Alexander, 1977
   Dissatisfied with sterile, impersonal
   design
- Defined it as Solution to a problem in context
- Captured
   Situation, competing constraints,
   canonical solution
- Examples
   Couples Realm, House for a Couple, Sitting Circle, Marriage Bed





# **Spread of Patterns**

- Applied to software design, Gang of four, 1995
- 1996, Alexander chides user experience community
- User experience patterns
  - 1997, Tidwell's Common Ground
  - Welie's pattern site
  - Design of Sites book
  - 2005, Tidwell, Designing Interfaces

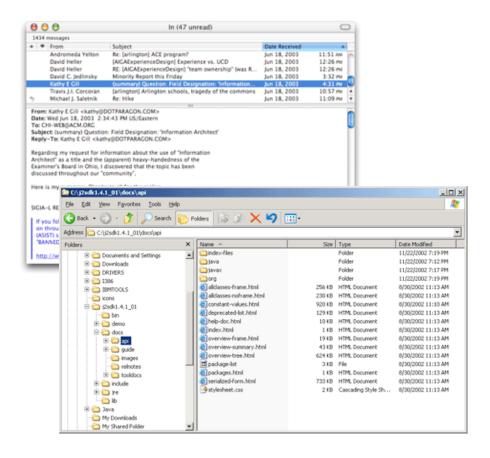




- Jenifer Tidwell (also a book) http://designinginterfaces.com/
- Martijn van Welie http://www.welie.com/patterns/
- Sari A. Laakso
   http://www.cs.helsinki.fi/u/salaakso/patterns/
- Michael Mahemoff http://www.ajaxpatterns.org/
- Web Patterns
   http://webpatterns.org/



## **Overview + Detail**



- Problem
   Large amounts of data. User need to see details in context of overview data
- Solution
  - Overview Panel (top or left)
  - Detail Pane (bottom or right)

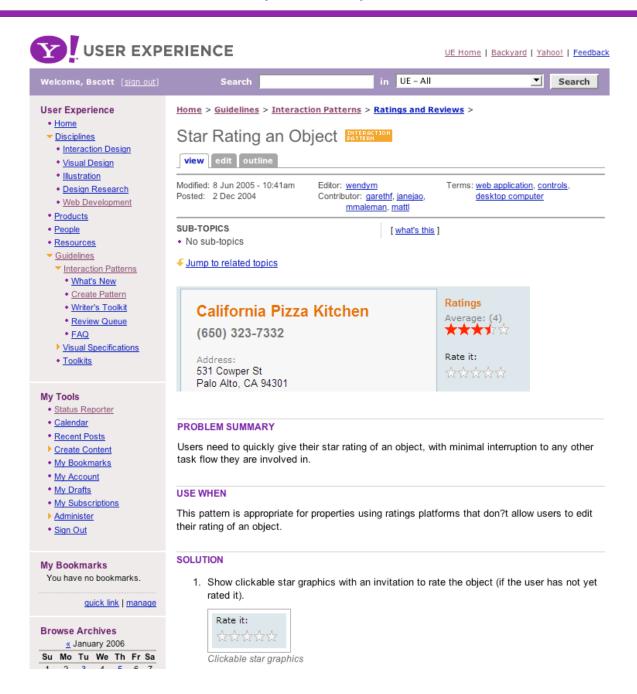
Source: Jenifer Tidwell



- Created. 2004.
   Erin Malone, Matt Leacock, Chanel Wheeler and a number of other contributors & reviewers
- Evangelized. Throughout UED. Early 2005.
- Presented. March 2005.
   Montreal IA Summit
- Article. April 2005. boxesandarrows.com
- Rich Ajax patterns added. Latter half 2005.
- Went public 2/13/06



## Yahoo! Pattern Library - Example



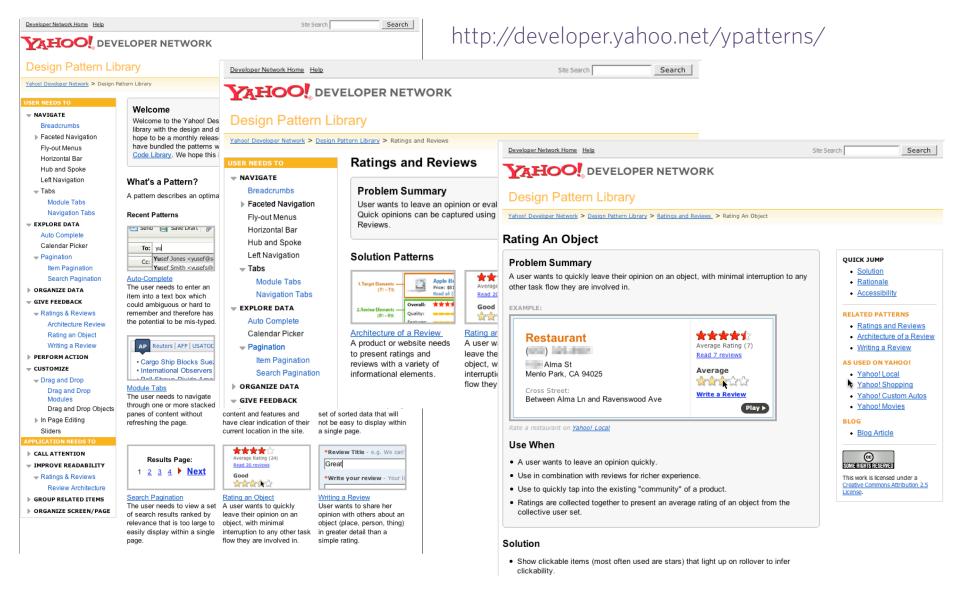


## Yahoo! Pattern Library Information Architecture

- Authoring Information: authored by, authored on, publishing status, comment control
- Title
- Contributors
- Sensitizing Example
- Problem Summary
- Use When
- Solution
- Rationale
- Special Cases
- Open Questions
- Related Patterns & Visual Specs
- Supporting Research
- Classification: parent, categories (element type, task, application type, device)
- Publishing status (publish/ready for review)
- Weight
- Subscription
- Rating



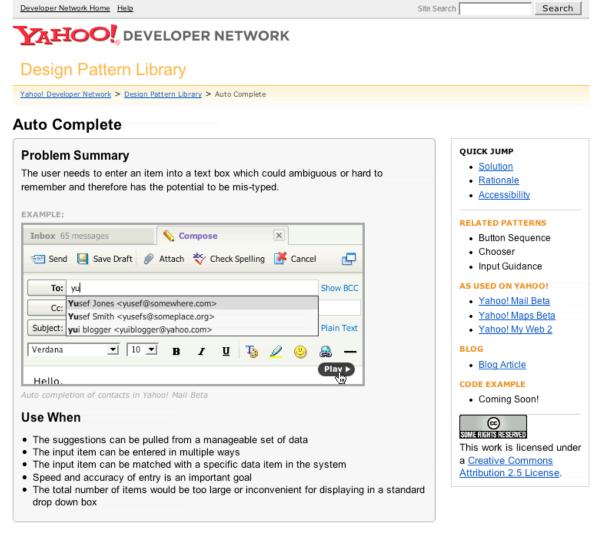
# Yahoo! Pattern Library Release





## Yahoo! Pattern Library Example

- Title
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- Rationale
- Accessibility
- Related Patterns
- As Used on Yahoo!
- Blog Link
- Code Examples



#### Solution

Layout

- · Use a standard text box for input.
- Label the text box to match the user's expection of what field will be searched against.



### http://yuiblog.com



#### Yahoo! Design Pattern Library Released

February 13, 2006 on 7:54 am by Bill Scott | In Design |

I'm excited to announce that today we are releasing the Yahoo! Design Pattern Library to the public under a friendly Creative Commons License. The goal in releasing this library is for us to share the common patterns that we see emerging at Yahoo! It is hoped that by opening up our design patterns we can share our current thinking as well as solicit your valuable feedback.

We believe design patterns are powerful. First, they offer a solution in context of a problem. Second, they provide a name for the solution. Taken together as a set, pattern libraries form a solution language that can enhance our ability to communicate design ideas. Lastly, they provide us a context in which to discuss a number of associated issues: the thinking behind a solution; issues around accessibility, and de-gradeablity; other related patterns; examples of usage; and code samples to name a few.

In case patterns are a new concept to you, here's a little history to get you up to speed.

Background on Patterns

#### SYNDICATE

#### All Entries:



All Comments:

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#### RECENT POSTS

Developing a JavaScript Library for Yahoo!

Welcome to the Yahoo! User Interface Blog

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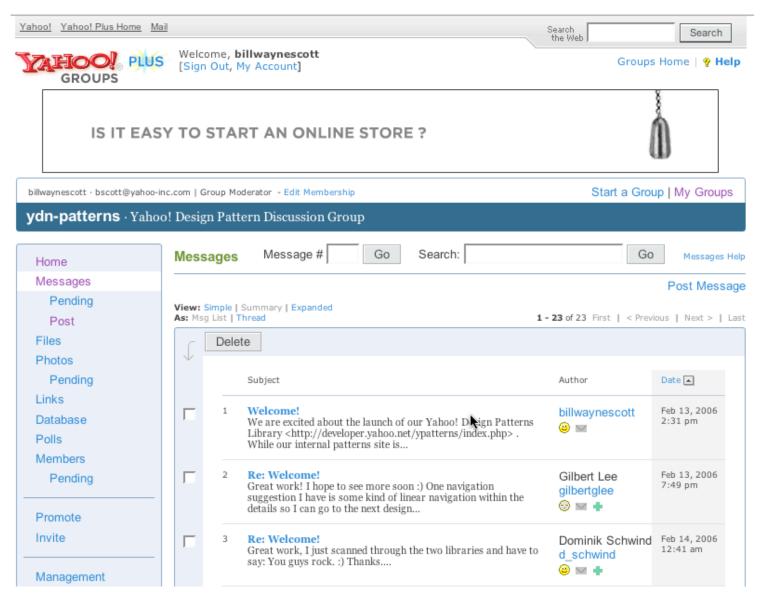
Item Pagination Design Pattern

Rating an Object Pattern



### Yahoo! Patterns Discussion Group

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ydn-patterns/





- Goodwill. Sharing back with community.
- Feedback. Lots of smart eyes enrich our library.
- Dialog. Priortizes and raises issues.
- Reuse. Raises awareness and reuse inside Yahoo!
- Standards. Help promote standards.
- Mindset. We believe in open source.
- Coordination. In sync with code library release.



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Reviews. Architecture of a Review.
Rating an Object. Writing a
Review. Drag and Drop. Drag and
Drop Modules.



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# Participate?



# Have You Seen a Cool Example?

## Tag It!

- Use 'ypatternexample' tag in either delicious, Y! My Web2 or Scuttle
- Use whatever other tags to identify the pattern name you think it belongs to
- Write in the comment what is interesting about it or other thoughts



# Blog and Forums

- http://yuiblog.com
- http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/ydn-patterns
- http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/ydn-javascript



## Links

- http://looksgoodworkswell.com Bill's blog
- http://ajaxian.com
- http://ajaxpatterns.com
- http://ajaxpatterns.org/wiki/index.php? title=AJAXFrameworks



## Books

- Ajax in Action (Ajax development)
- Designing Interfaces (Patterns)
- Dom Scripting
- Ajax Patterns (upcoming book)



## Conferences

- Designing & Building with Ajax Adaptive Path (Austin/May, Amsterdam/June)
- Real World Ajax (NYC/Mar, SJC/Apr)
- The Ajax Experience (SF/May)
- Rich Internet Apps + Ajax (SJC/October)

