

User Interface Design for Web And Mobile Devices

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Abstract : In current days, UI is most important for user experiences. The eye catchy and feature loaded apps should give experiences to user worth their time. Though Style and design are important, the UI of an app can give the actual user experiences. In this paper, we share different user interface principles, its Display, Input and Multiple device usage.

Key Words: Principles of User Interface, Display, Multiple Usage Devices, User Interface, Performance.

1. Introduction

Emerging technologies often go through a period of rapid change as innovators seek to exploit new possibilities. Alternative solutions to problems compete for mind- and market-share. Mobile user interface (UI) technology is in the midst of this evolutionary phase. Phones and tablets that use Apple's iOS (iPhone, iPod Touch and iPad), Google's Android architecture, Blackberry's operating system, HP's webOS, and Windows Phone 7 mobile operating system all offer diverse UI design approaches. UI diversity is intentional. Platforms must differentiate themselves to claim a share of the market. On the Android platform, carriers and device vendors also must distinguish their

Products, creating even more diversity. However, the resulting diversity of products is necessary for the creating applications and websites for these devices. To create applications that run natively on the multiple device types, development teams need:

- Skills in diverse development technologies
- Information of capacities of a huge, persistently changing cluster of gadgets.
- Knowledge of different UI style conventions and standards
- Multiple programming and cross porting efforts
- Expensive multidevice and multiplatform test-efforts.

Mobile web technology provides a more cost-effective way to develop applications that are usable on a variety of device platforms. With newly developed JavaScript libraries such as Dojo Mobile, jQuery Mobile, and Sencha Touch, mobile UI developers can "write once, run anywhere."

Chris Mears from The UX Review gave us this piece of advice on designing for mobile:

"One of the main use cases for mobile is killing time. But that doesn't mean you should waste that of your users. Make sure you understand the main tasks they want to accomplish on your app through research and make those the focus of the interface."

2. User Interface Design Principle

There are 6 different principles for User Interface for Web and Mobile Devices, they are as follows :

• The Structure Principle

Configuration ought to sort out the UI deliberately, in important and valuable routes in view of clear, predictable models that are evident and unmistakable to clients, assembling related things and isolating .

• The Simplicity Principle

The outline ought to make basic, normal assignments simple, imparting obviously and just in client's own dialect, and giving great alternate ways that is definitely identified with longer techniques.

• The Visibility Principle

Configuration ought to sort out the UI deliberately, in important and valuable routes in view of clear, predictable models that are evident and unmistakable to clients, assembling related things and isolating.

• The Feedback Principle

The design should keep users informed of actions or interpretations, changes of stable or condition, and errors or exceptions that are relevant and of interest to the user through clear, concise, and unambiguous language familiar to users.

• The Tolerance Principle

The plan ought to be adaptable and tolerant, diminishing the cost of mix-ups and abuse by permitting fixing and re-

trying, while likewise anticipating mistakes wherever conceivable by enduring shifted information sources and groupings and by translating every sensible activity.

• The Reuse Principle

The design should reuse internal and external components and behaviors, maintaining consistency with purpose rather than merely arbitrary consistency, thus reducing the need for users to rethink and remember.

"Ever heard the saying, 'Measure twice, and cut once?' Well, that idea applies to building apps, too. When you are outlining an application, you can check you are destined for success and abstain from doing exorbitant adjust by client testing your models. You can iron out the kinks in the design before you are writing any code, saving your team the time and hassle of making changes in development. Plus, you'll already know how users will before to receive the app store".

3. Display Size

Smallness can empower a gadget to be utilized anywhere, yet it can likewise conflict with numerous parts of ease of use. A small screen limits the information that can be legibly displayed. Conservativeness can empower a gadget to be utilized anywhere, however it can likewise conflict with numerous parts of ease of use.

Smartphones and small and tablets are in the range of netbook to laptop size. Many vendors offer both types of devices in variety of display sizes.

Versatile web applications outlines must deal with the extensive variety of showcases without seeming cramped at the low end or scratched at the top of the line.

4. Input

Many popular devices uses touch input. While touch information can be instinctive, it is generally uncertain. Touch targets, such as buttons, must be fairly large and widely spaced in comparison with the mouse and printer style input in conventional installed or web applications. Because mobile web applications are cross-platform, the input characters should be considered also. Some devices have a physical keyboard, some have a virtual keyboard, and some have both. Some blackberry uses touch pad for pointing, selecting and dragging. While some have physical buttons for various navigations actions.

5. Operating System Diversity

Three of the most important UI design differences driven by operating systems are:

Navigation, Control Implementation, Visual Style.

Navigation

IOS uses gestures and widgets. The home button in bezel is to close applications and navigate out of folders. Android uses gestures, widgets and hardware buttons and blackberry uses complex input methods, which vary from devices to devices. The issue is intense for Android gadgets because virtual console formats and the left to correct request of bezel catches changes by specialist organizations and gadget maker.

Control implementation

IOS depends vigorously on programming UI control elements, for example, virtual catches. Clients interface with gadgets by touch, with the single special case of leaving an application or envelope. In contrast, both Android and Blackberry devices provide physical buttons for navigating back to the previous view and for opening option menus. On iOS gadgets, these activities are summoned with catches. Frequently, iOS applications assign the back and setting menu activities to tab push catches. By convention, on iPhone and iPod Touch applications, tab buttons are placed at the bottom of the view so that the user's thumbs easily reach them. For various reasons, Android style traditions put tab catches close to the highest point of the screen; they cause unintentional physical catch presses if situated at the base of the screen.

Visual style

Every stage characterizes its own visual style through shading topics, symbol styles, representations, and gadget rendering. The utilization of a stage visual subject is more than a tasteful decision.

6. Performance

Although JavaScript performance is improving, mobile devices still performance-challenged. They use less powerful processors and must contend with lower network bandwidth compared to laptops and desktop systems.

7. Multiple device usage

It is probably fair to say that most smartphone users use a single phone. On the other hand, many people use the same application on multiple types of devices. A user might access the same application on an iPod Touch, a Blackberry phone, an Android tablet, and a laptop running Microsoft® Windows. "To the extent the client is concerned; gadget sorts are basically unique watchers into a similar substance space.

Multiplatform, multiservice design is complicated by differences between device types. Smartphones are good

for brief interactions to accomplish focused goals, anywhere at any time. Personal computers are good for extended interactions, dealing with complex information, and switching back and forth between tasks in relatively fixed locations. Tablet interactions fall somewhere between smartphones and laptops.

Outlining for different gadgets requires watchful thought and inescapable trade off among these contending necessities:

- Make great utilization of every gadget's capacities
- Intelligently handle each device's limitations
- Provide a similar user experience on all devices

To give a decent client encounter, a web application on a cell phone will regularly need to bolster diverse capacities with respect to its desktop comparable. When displaying on a phone, you might need to remove some capacities that make sense on the desktop, or add capacities that make sense in a mobile context. It can be hard to foresee which capacities won't be enormously missed on the portable rendering of a generally complex web application. There is no magic here. You must take care to understand and validate use cases for functions in device context in which an application is likely to be used, and to match capacities to devices. Table 1 plots a few contrasts in client encounters with portable and desktop gadgets.

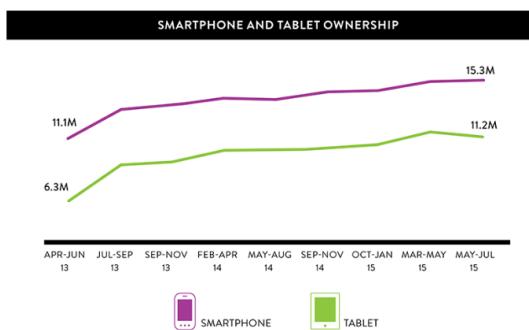


Fig. - 1 Contrast of client encounters

8. Conclusion

The Paper has been done in such a way that it explains the concept of User Interface in Web and Mobile Devices. This paper explains the concept of User Interface as well as also specifies its Principles. It gives the broad understanding on its display and input. It's Visual Size and Performances as well as it gives broader perspective to its Multiple Device Usage.

9. Future Work

Its future work includes implementing user interface with artificial intelligence and virtual reality.

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