Types of Usability Testing or Usability Inspection

User-Based Testing

Primary interest:Users and collectingdata from users

Usability Inspections

- O Main focus of chapter 10.3
- Usually performed before Usability Testing.



Usability Testing include

Usability Testing

- <u>User</u>-Based Testing
 - Representative users
 - Representative tasks
 - In development process

Usability Inspections

- Expert-Based Testing
 - Interface experts
 - Structured inspections
 - Obvious flaws
- Automated Testing
 - Software created by experts
 - Series of guidelines

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Expert-based testing

What is Expert-Based Testing?

- Interface experts
 - Should be unfamiliar and representative testers to the interface
 - Not the prototype interface developer (bias)
- Structured inspections

- Obvious flaws
 - Unclear wording
 - Inconsistent layout
 - Color inconsistency

Relevance to user-based testing

Expert-based testing

- Always comes first
- Uncovering obvious interface flaws
 - Get them fixed before user testing
- Interface experts
 - Experts in *interfaces*
 - Non-experts in the task

User-based testing

 Find the deeper, more granular and task-related interface flaws

- Representative users
 - Experts in the task
 - Non-expert in interfaces

Types of Expert Reviews

- O Heuristic
- Consistency inspection
- Cognitive walkthrough
- Guidelines review

- O "Expert Reviews" syn.:
 - O "Expert Inspections"
 - O "Usability Inspections"

Heuristic (expert review)

- A short set of interface rules
 - Shneiderman's 8 golden rules of interface design
 - Jonathan Lazar, concerned with web usability with user-centred design and accessibility
 - In "Interaction Design" we have learned about Jacob Nilsen's "Ten Usability Heuristics"

Schneiderman's "Eight Golden Rules of Interface Design"

- 1. Strive for consistency
- 2. Enable frequent users to use **shortcuts**
- 3. Offer informative **feedback**
- 4. Design **dialog** to yield closure
- Offer simple error handling
- 6. Permit easy reversal of actions
- 7. Support internal locus of control
- 8. Reduce short-term memory load

Consistency inspection (expert review)

- Consistency in
 - Contract Contract
 - Color
 - Terminology
 - Language
- Style guidelines are used for an overview of style expression
- WCAG Universal design

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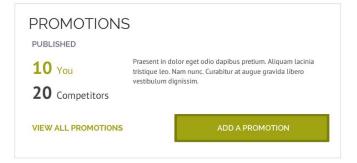
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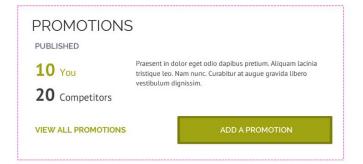
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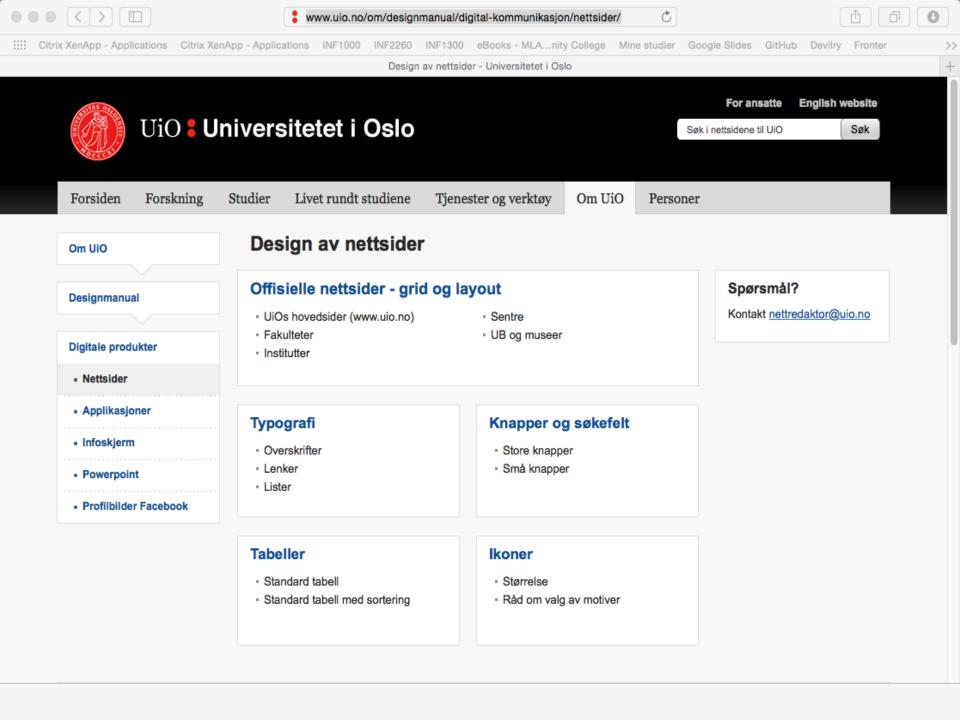
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Cognitive walkthrough (expert review)

- Task based method
- Interface experts simulate users,"walking through" a series of tasks
 - Both high-frequency and rare tasks
- Typical Artifacts used:Scenarios, Use cases, Task analysis, Personas
 - (see the Ch. 10, In Interaction Designs)

Guidelines Review (expert review)

 Similar to Heuristic, but applies interface Guidelines to an existing site

Larger set of guidelines (10-200)

Ex. of common guidelines:

- Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) *
- OS Interface guidelines docs from Apple and Microsoft
- US government <u>www.usability.gov/pds/guidelines.html</u>
- O KDE
- O GNOME
- Nielsen Norman Group
- UiO Library resources*

UiO Library digital resources

- Resources:
 - IEEE Xplorer
 - ACM Digital Library
 - Springer
 - Lecture Notes in Computer Sciences(LNCS)
 - Jstore
 - O Gale*

- Reference and citations databases
 - Inspec
 - Web of Science
 - Scopus
 - Google Scholar
 - CiteSeerX

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Automated usability testing

What is Automated Usability Testing?

- A software application does the inspection:
 - Used when a large number of interfaces need to be examined and little time is available to do human-based reviews
- Cannot be used to determine the experience of a user
 - Ex: If a certain image is clear or useful

Summary

Main take-aways:

Expert Reviews before you do your user-based testing

- Remove obvious aesthetical errors or flaws
- User-Based test to uncover finer granular errors that focuses on task based errors.

Exercises

These are to be done with your group instructors for this course during the seminar (gruppetime)

Exercise

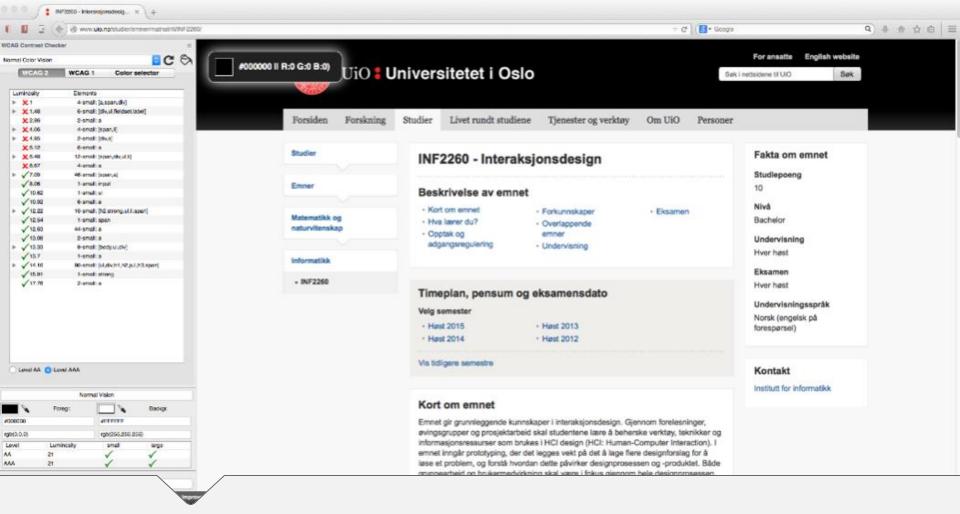
Automated Usability Testing:

- For measuring certain statistics and loading time of elements on a web page
 - Ex: Page speed insights from Google
 - Link below tests UIO.no
 - O developers.google.com/speed/pagespeed/insights/?url=uio.no
 - Orient yourselves with the automation served on the page

Exercise

Automated Usability Testing:

- Read about WCAG's rules on contrast
 - www.w3.org/TR/UNDERSTANDING-WCAG20/visual-audio-contrast-contrast.html
- Test one page by using the following **Firefox** browser and firefox add-on:
 - Install Firefox
 - O Go to Tools and Add-on and search and install wcag contrast checker
 - O Go to menu Tool → WCAG CONTRAST
 - O Go to a webpage you like to test.
 - Alternative : addons.mozilla.org/en-us/firefox/addon/wcag-contrast-checker
 - O View next slide of what it should look like
- For other accessibilities tools:
 - www.w3.org/WAI/ER/tools



Tool is exposed to left

WCAG Contrast Checker (Firefox add-on)

Exercise

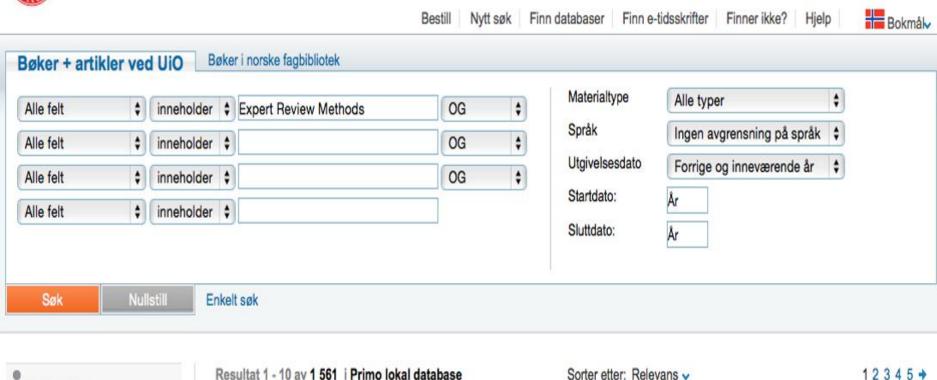
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 - Choose advance search and search :
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Thank you!

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