

Fast Fashion... How Missguided revolutionised their approach to site performance

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free next day delivery

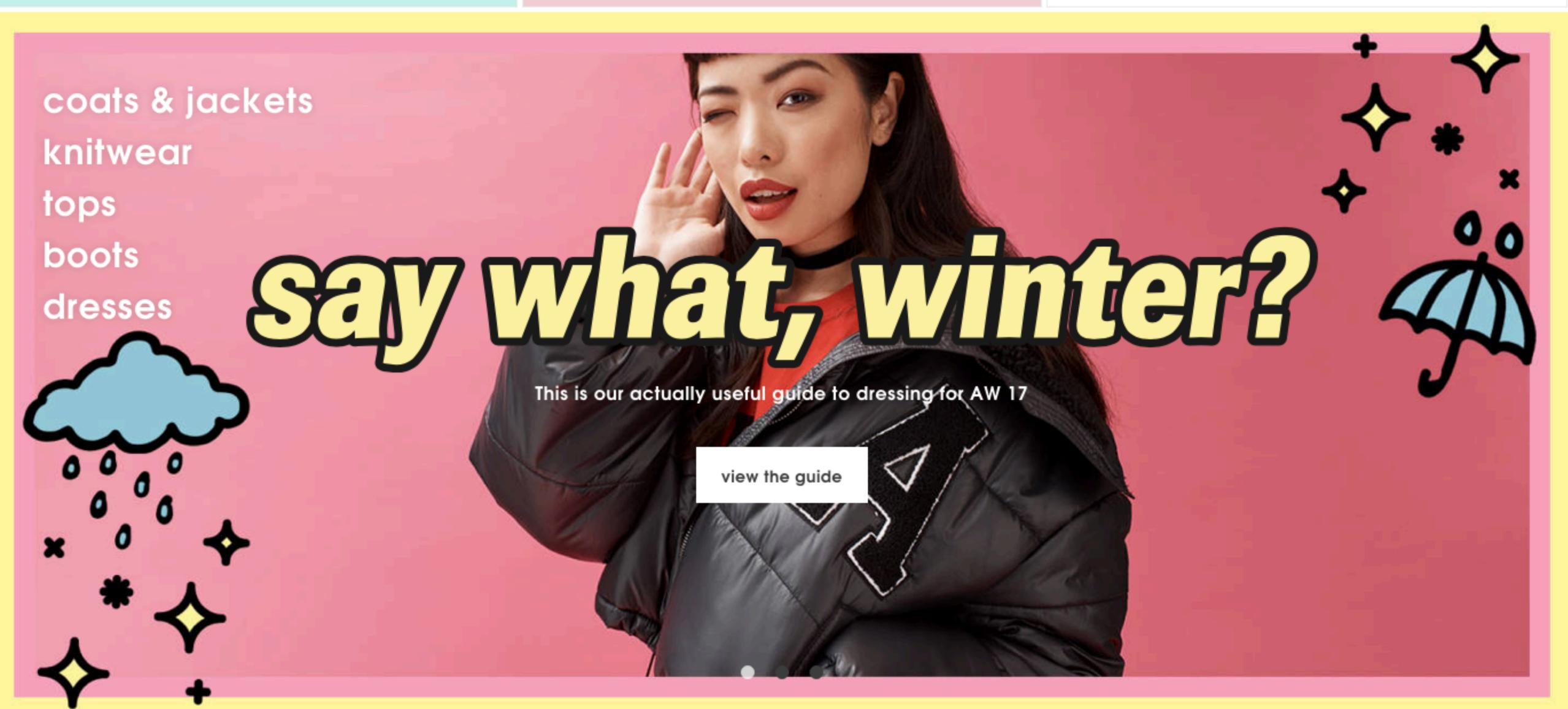
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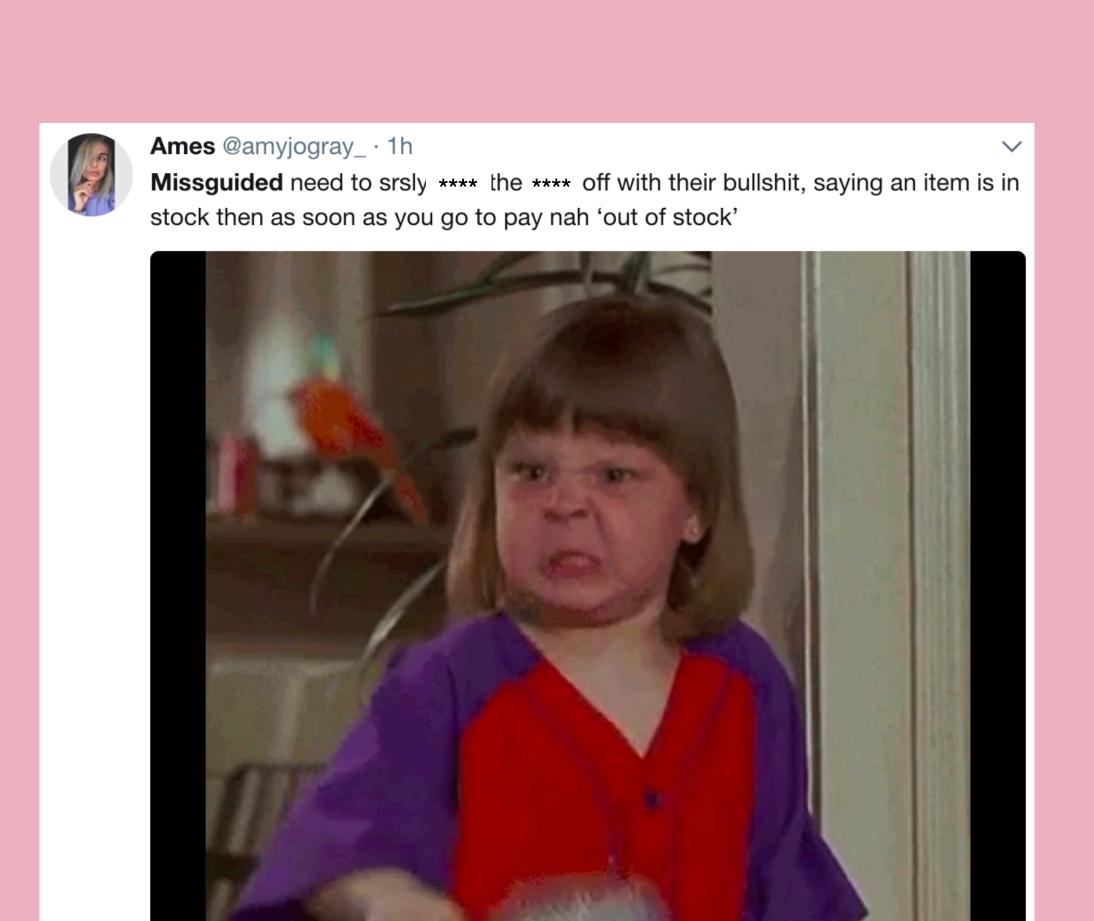
50% off dresses. code: dresslove

excludes sale & peace + love

20% student discount

excludes sale - shop now





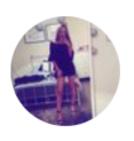
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Lola @lolaa_ade · 15 Nov 2017

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Lucy @__lucyb · 18 Nov 2016

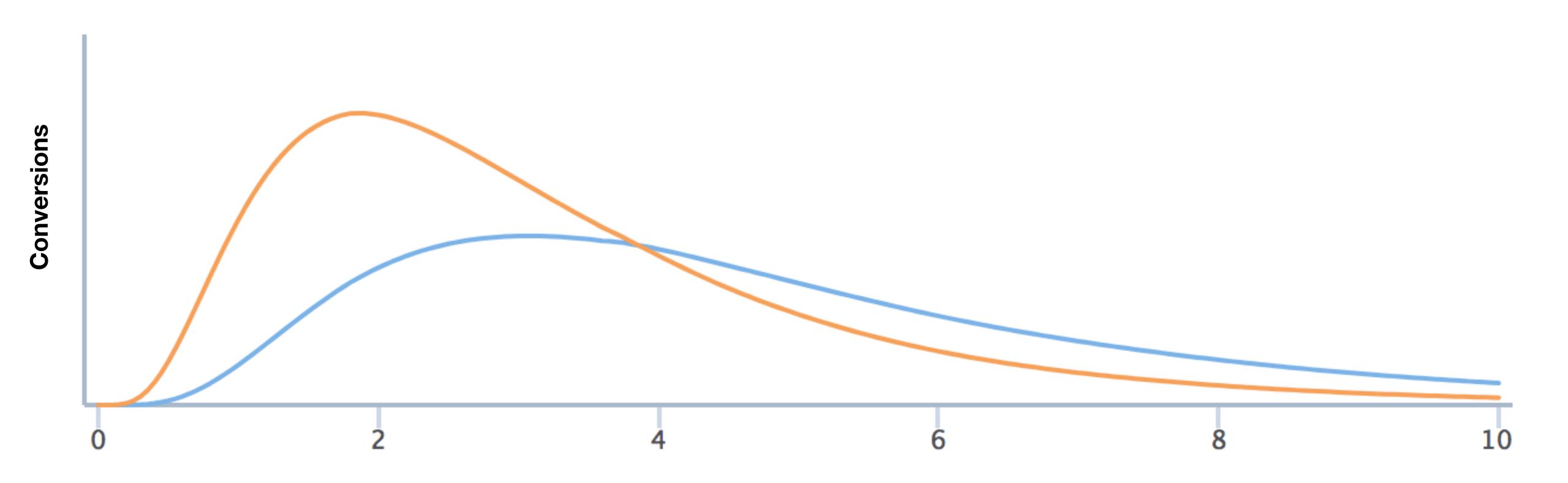
50% off **missguided** and the website is being so so **slow**, all get off it now you

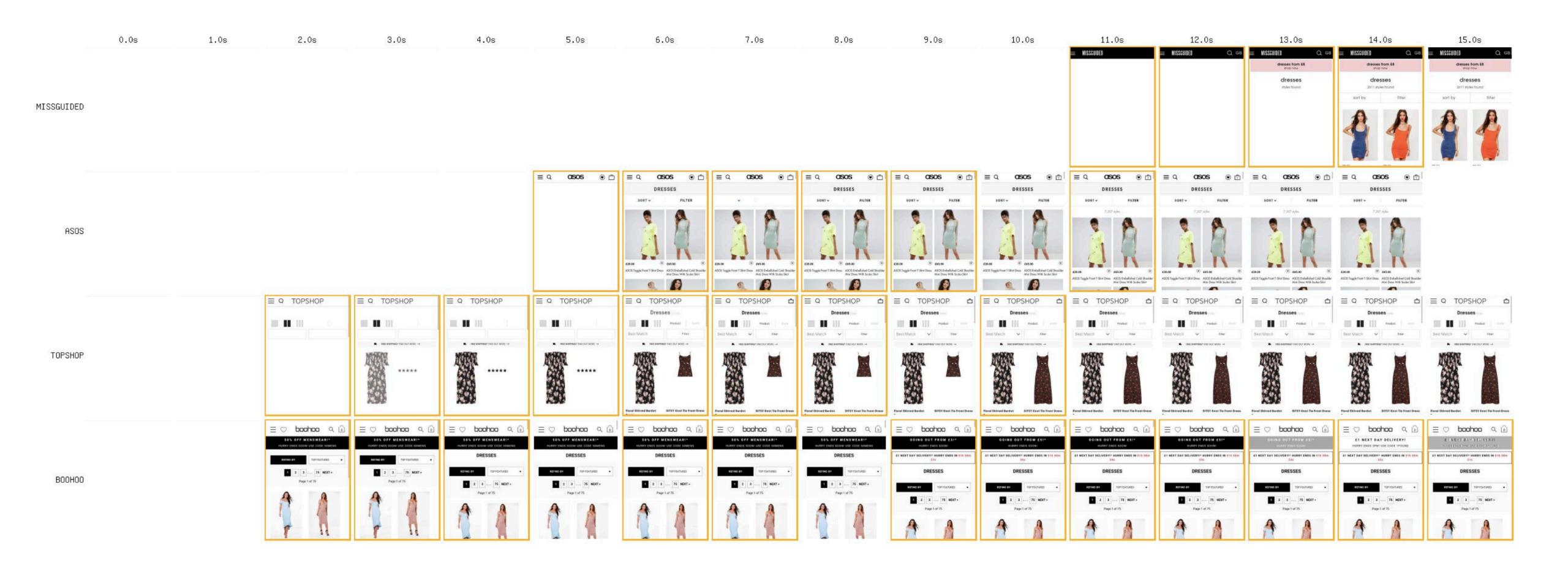
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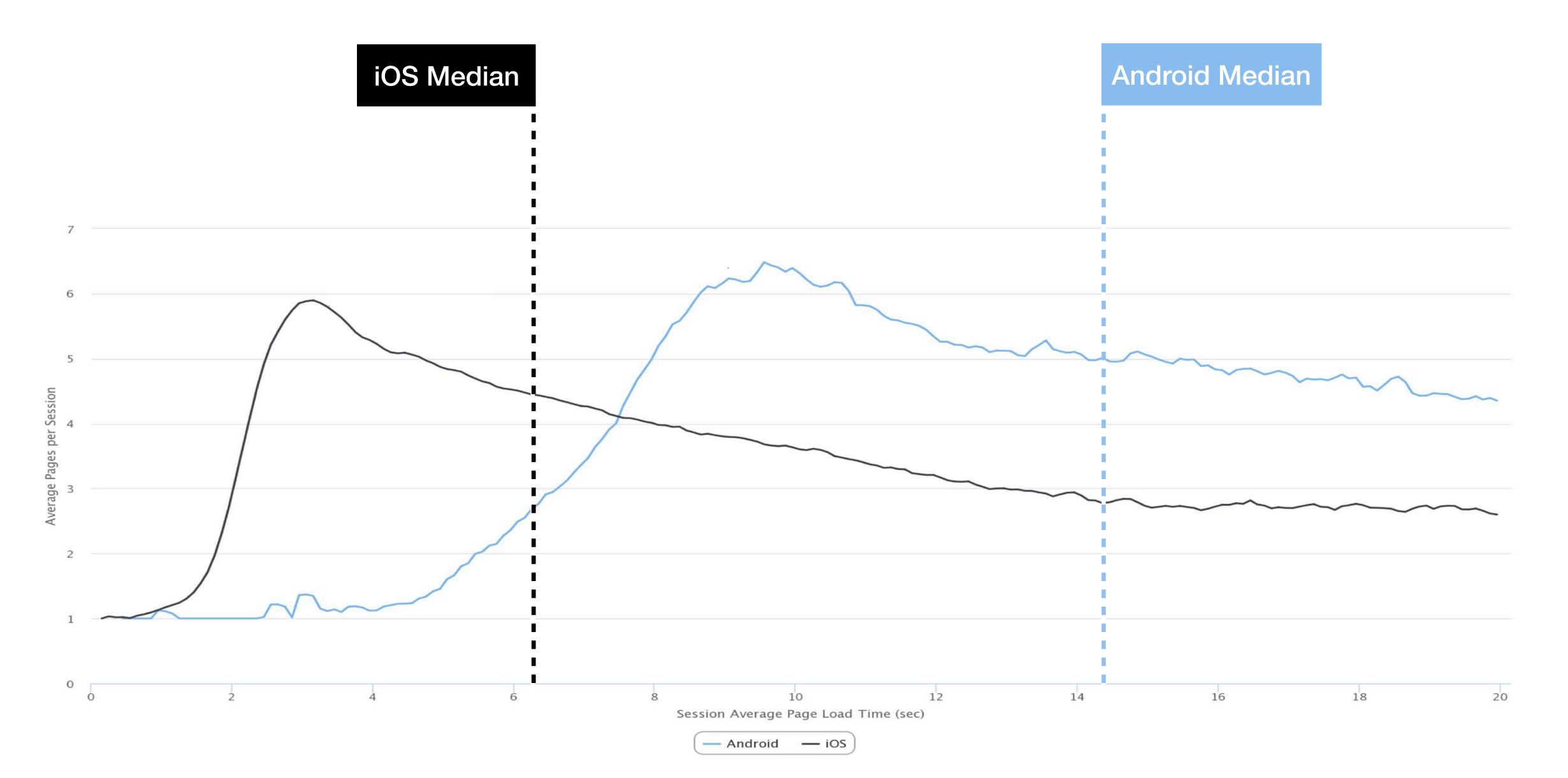
In the beginning...

What if we improved our sites speed





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Base of good practices already in place

Using HTTP/2 and CDN

Compression enabled for text resources (& minification)

Images optimised using a specialised service

Responsive images

Bundling assets

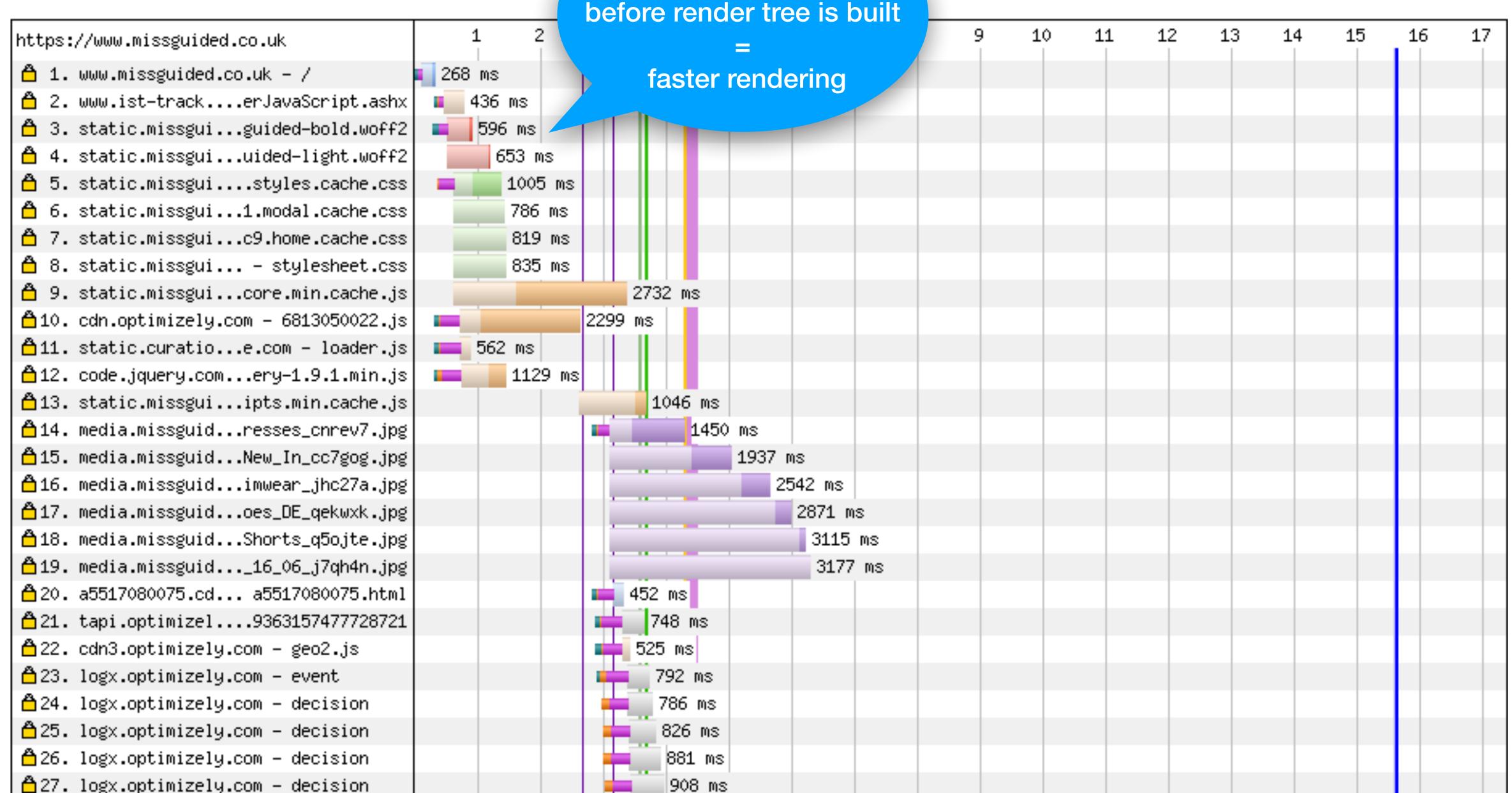
The early fixes

Pre-loading fonts speeds up rendering

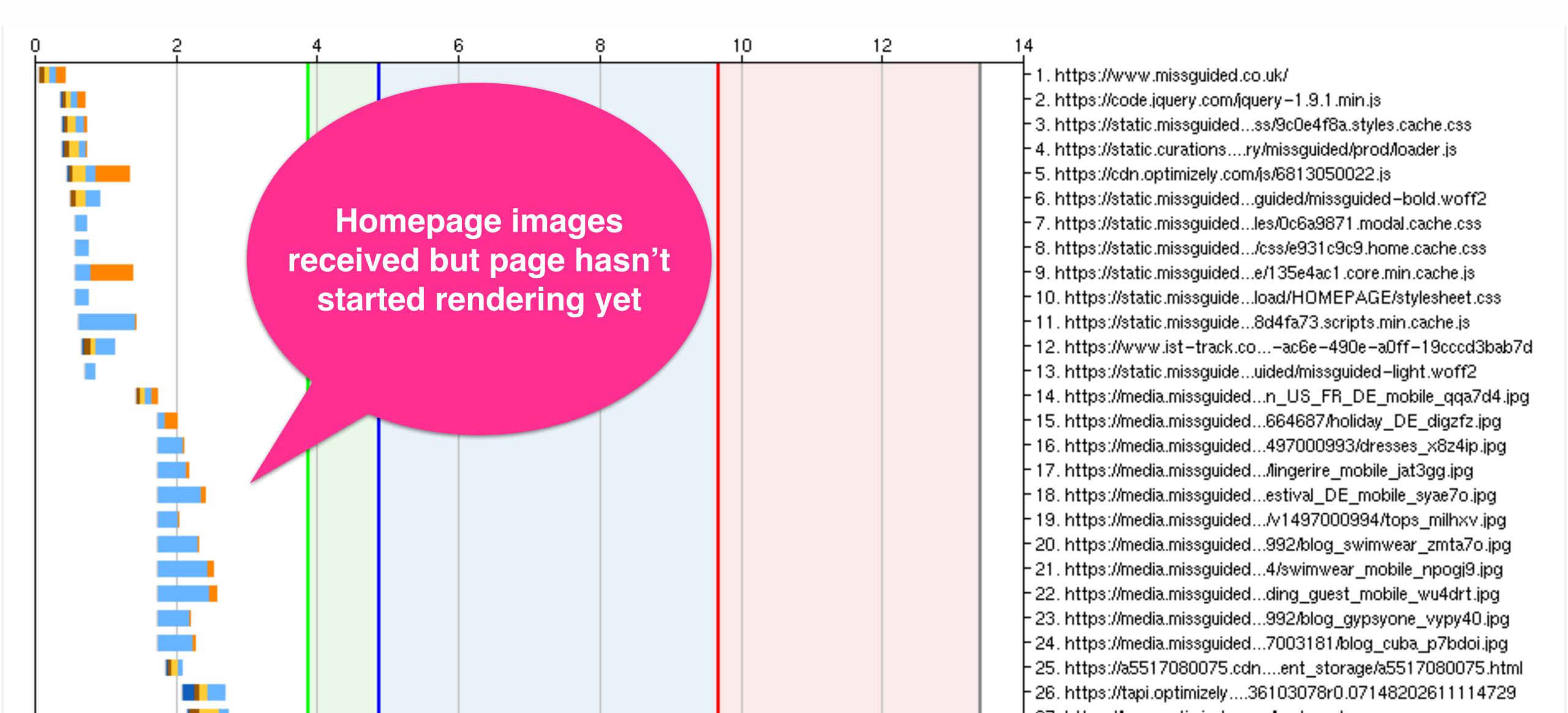
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Browser
downloads fonts
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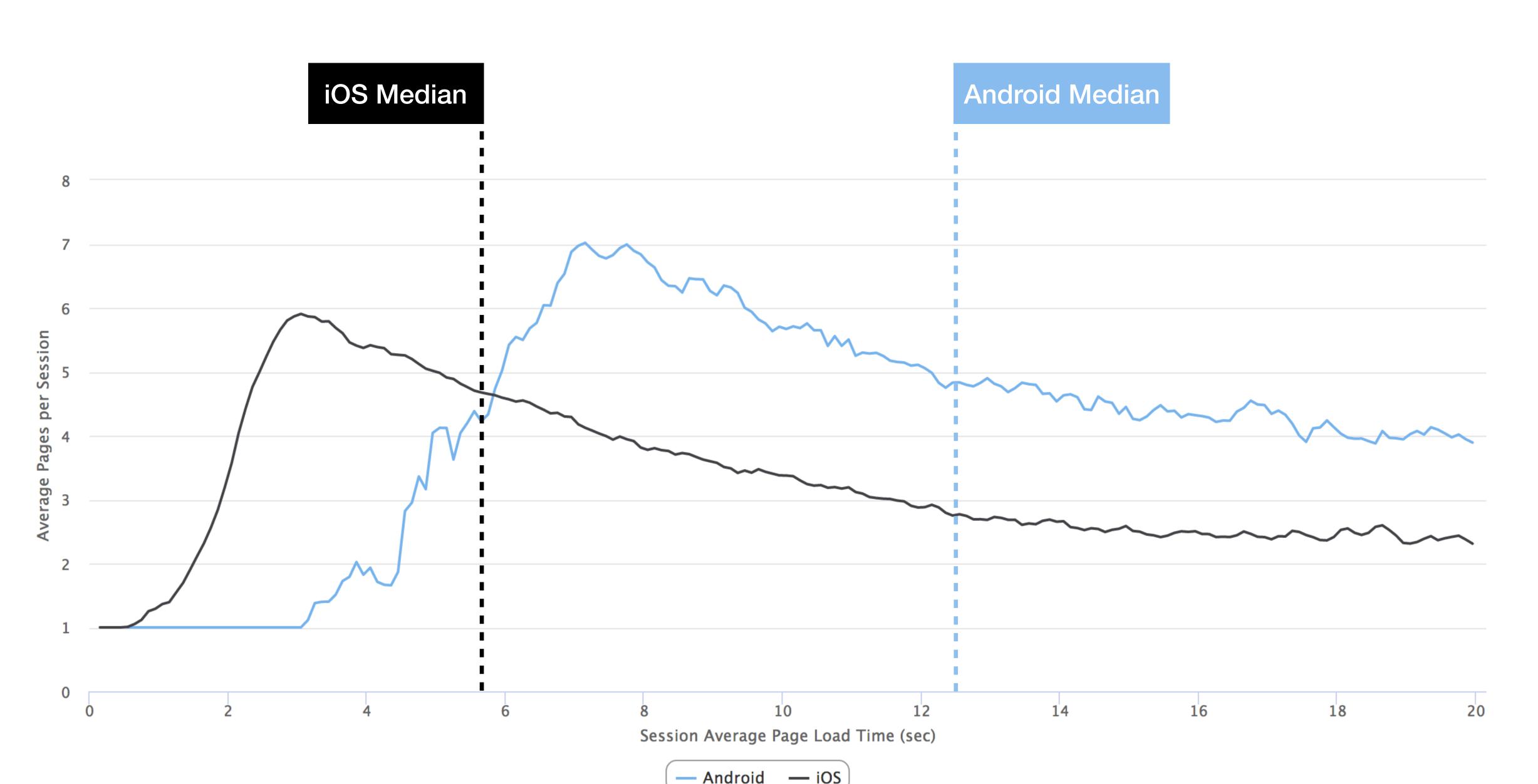


What's delaying rendering?





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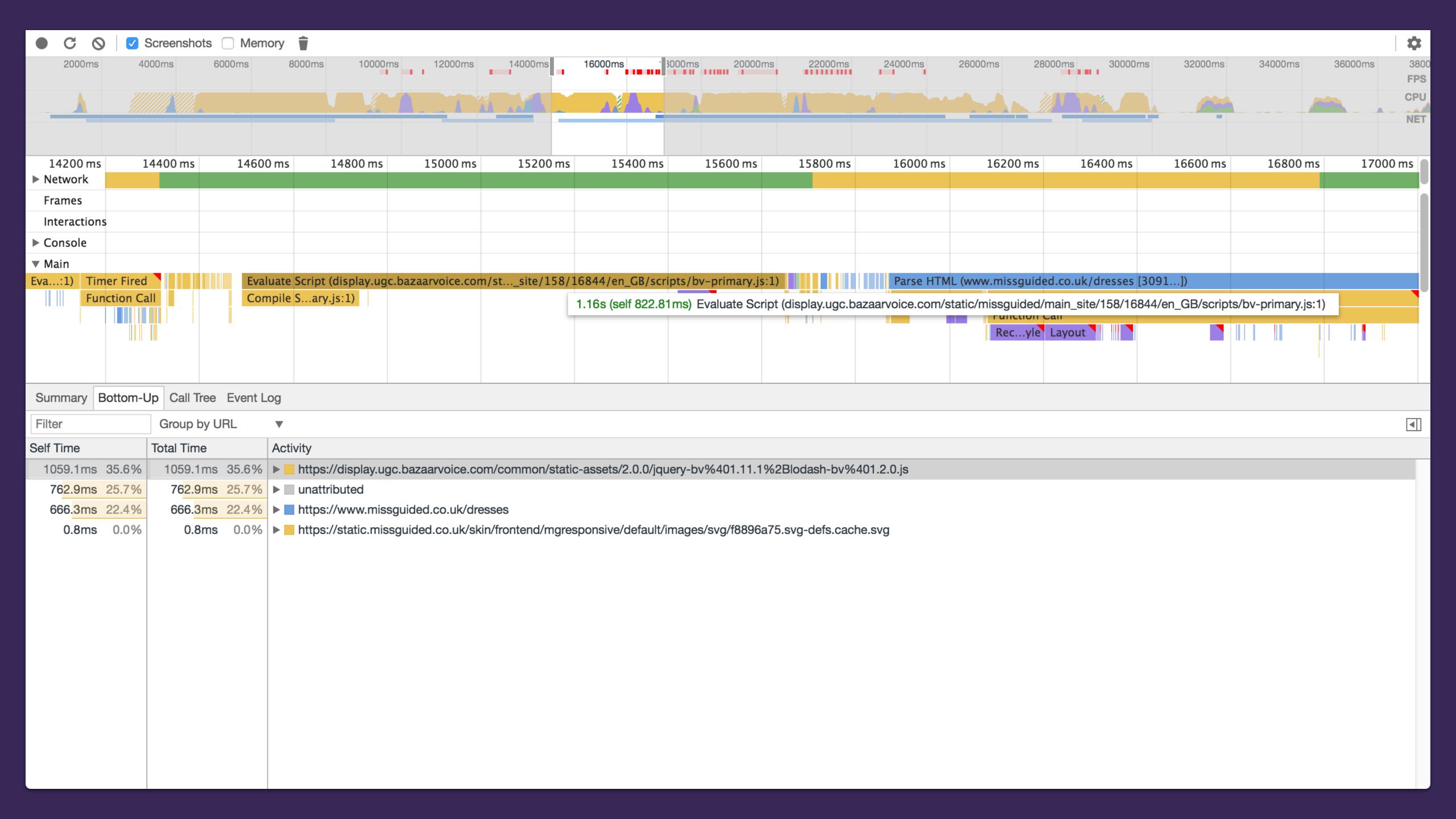
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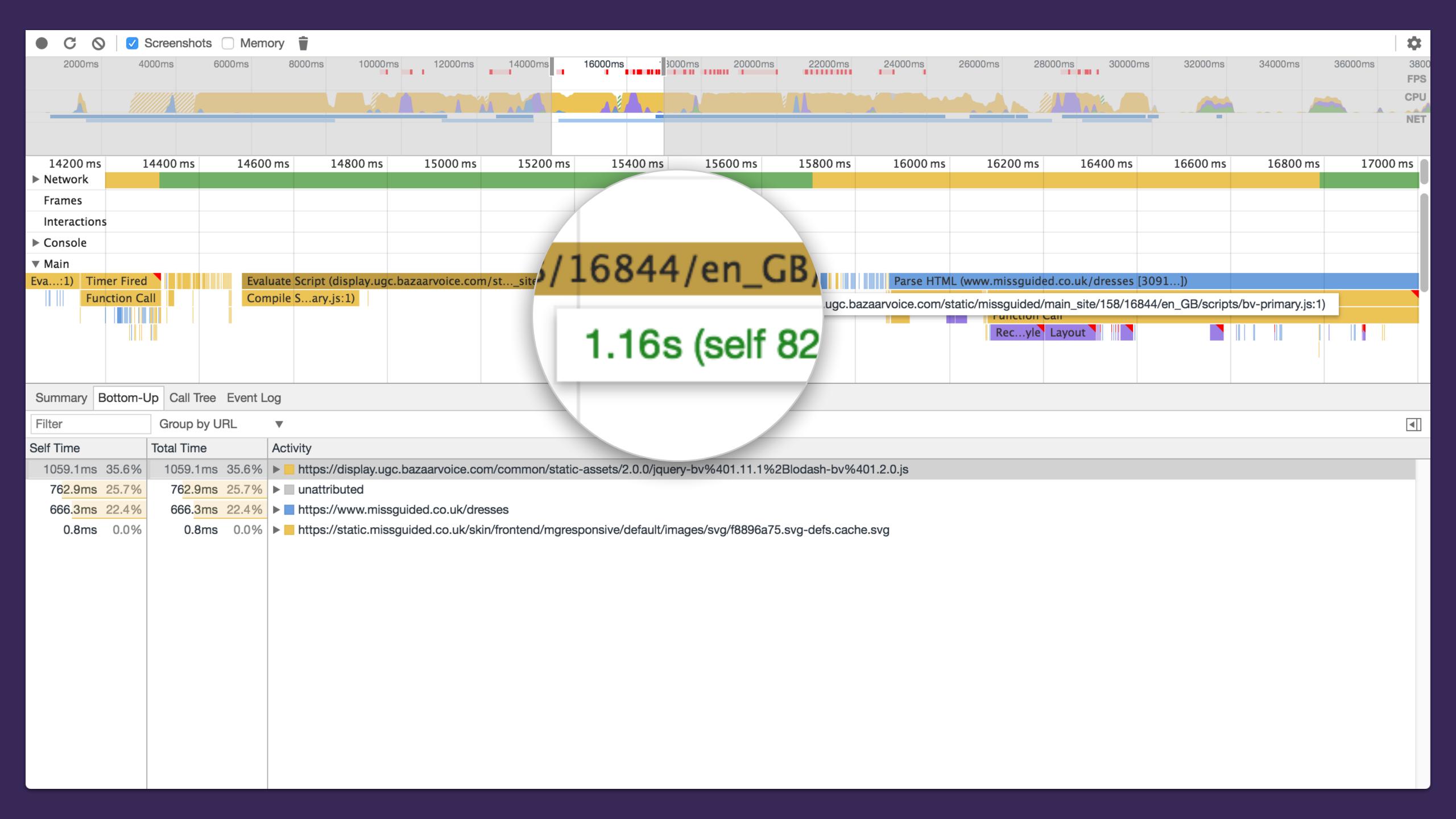
Proving the value of performance

Customers love reviews

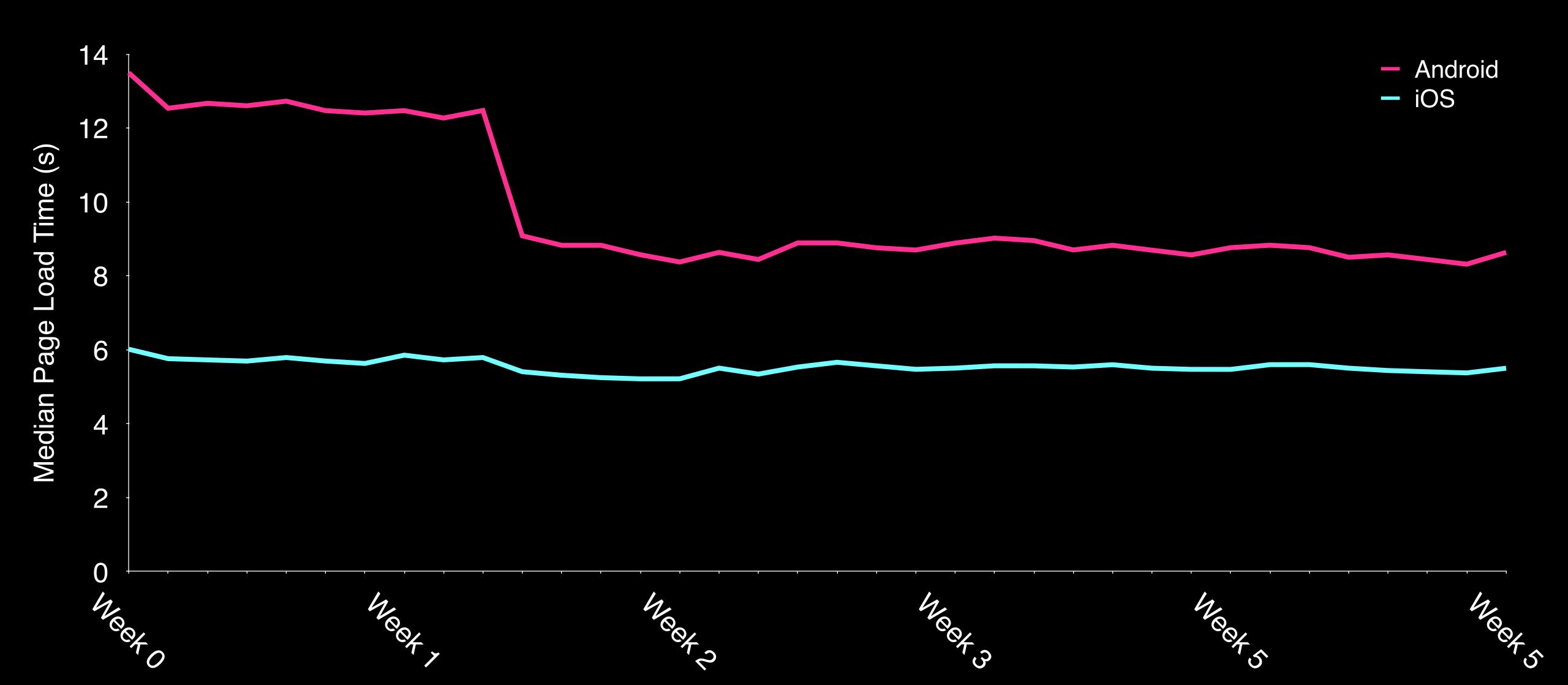


But some review services can have a large impact on performance

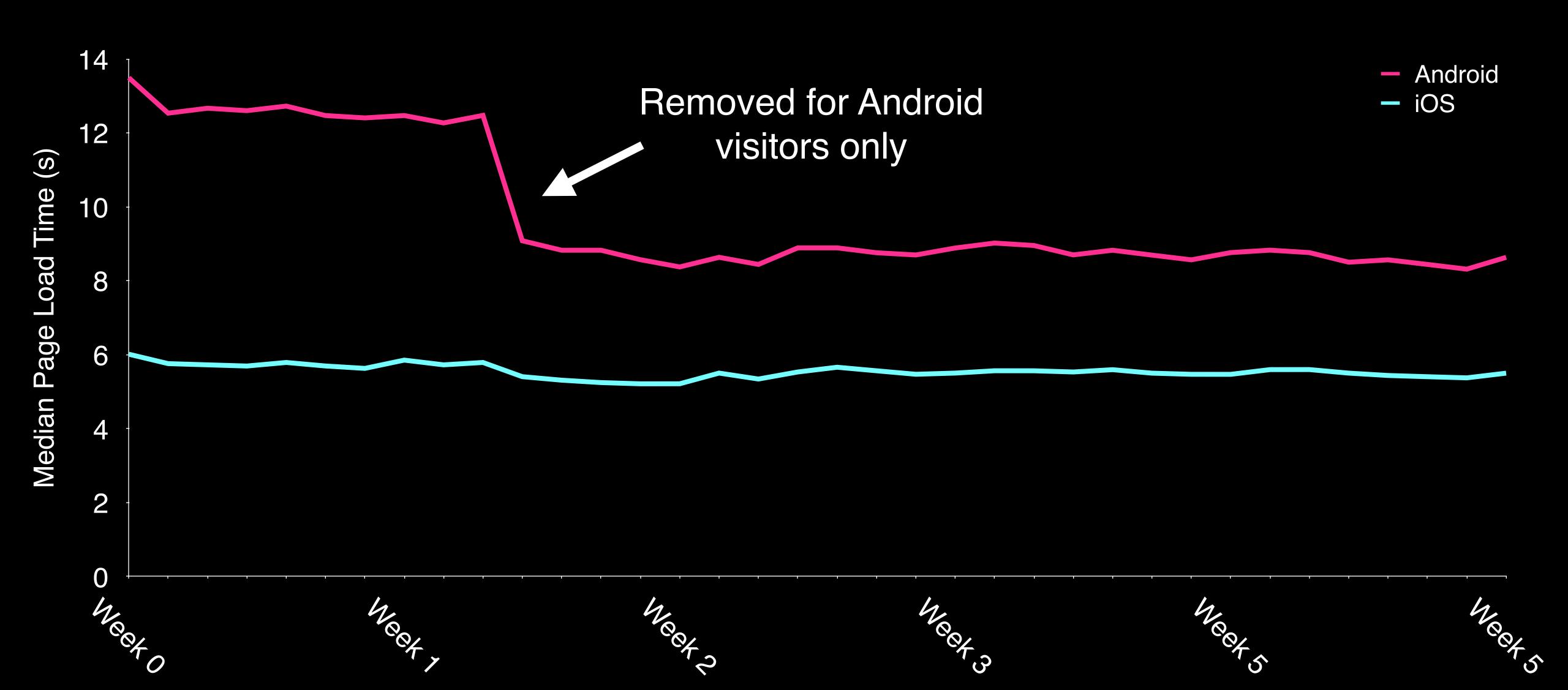


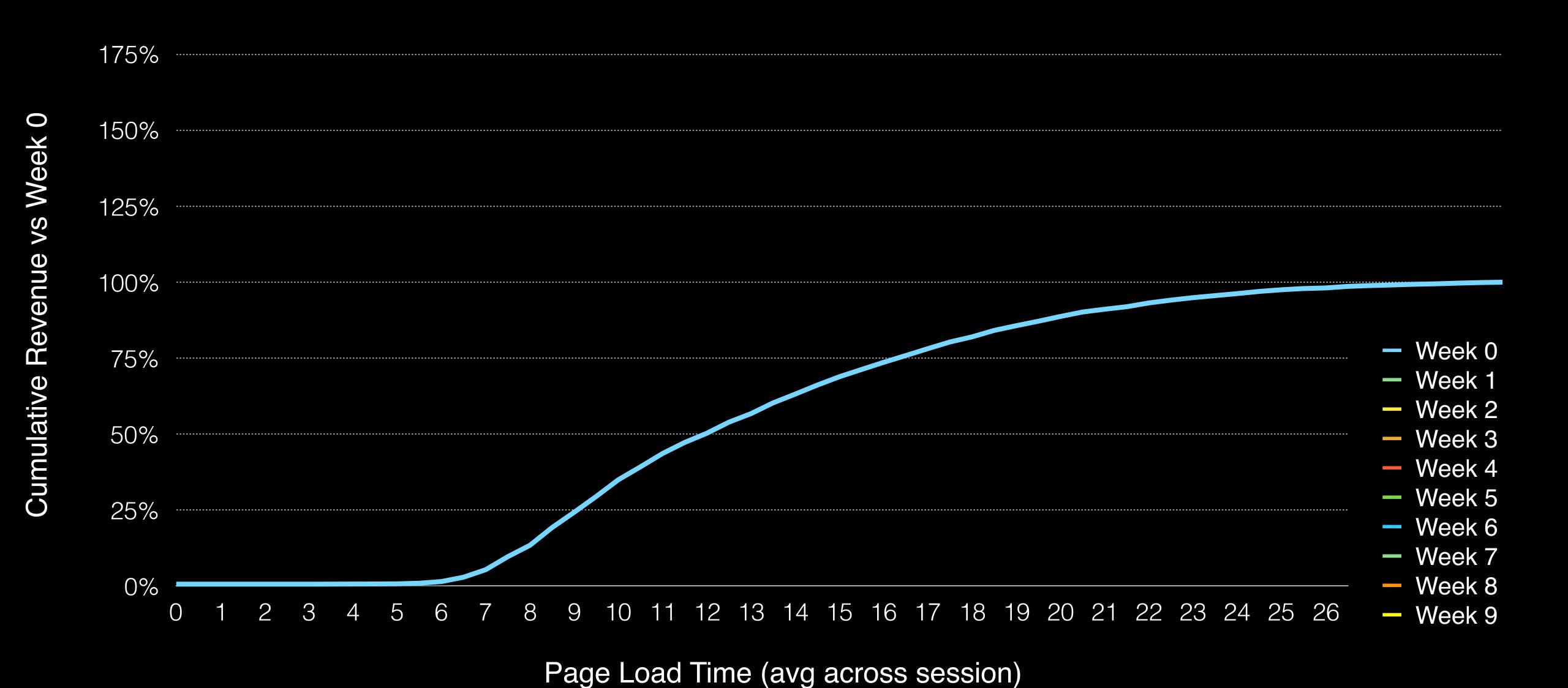


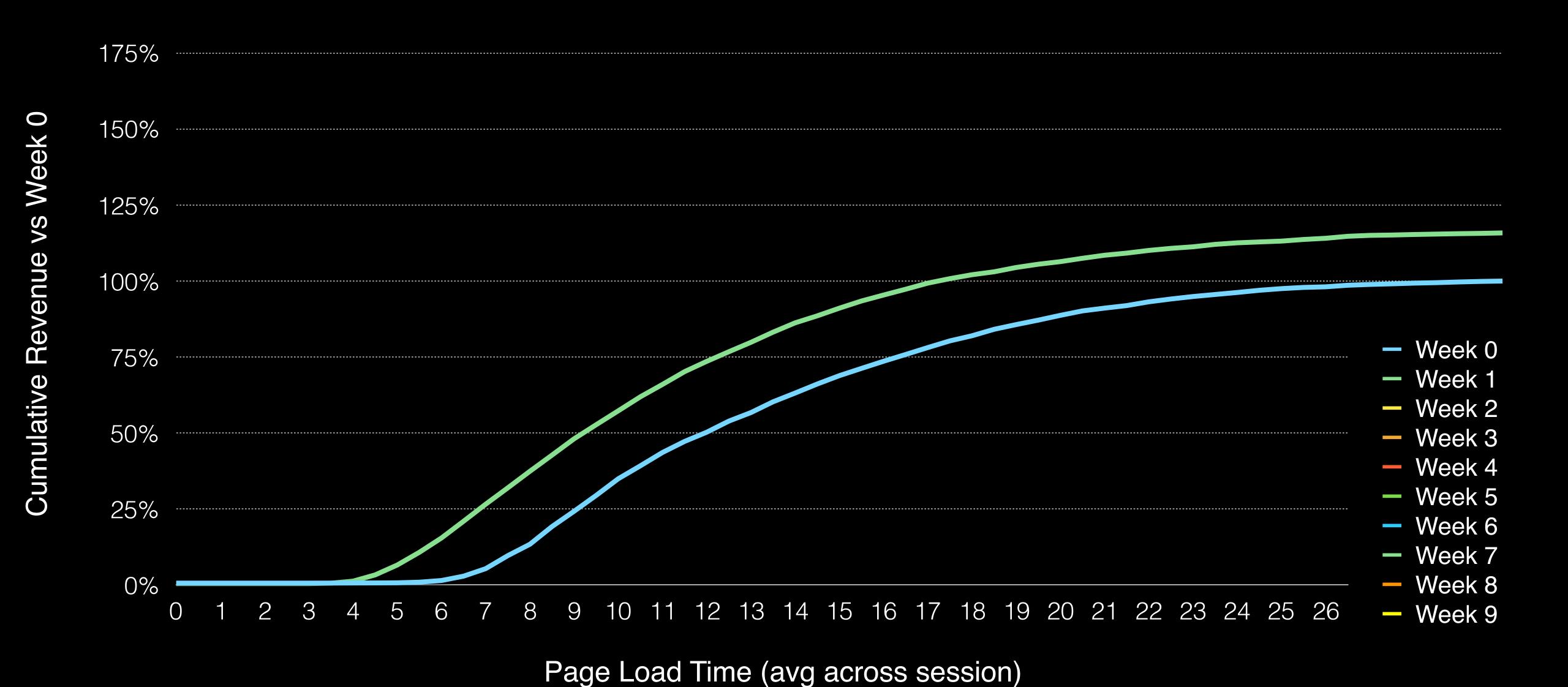
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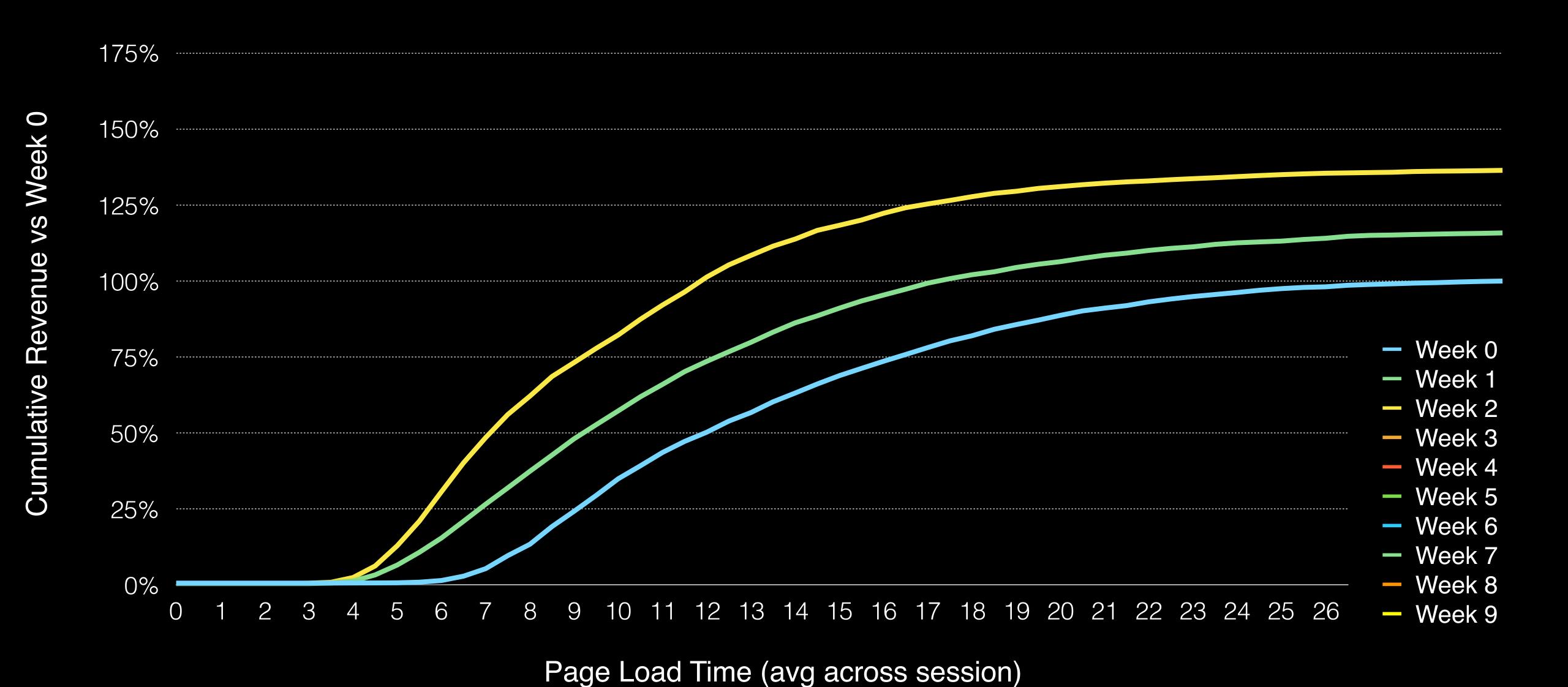


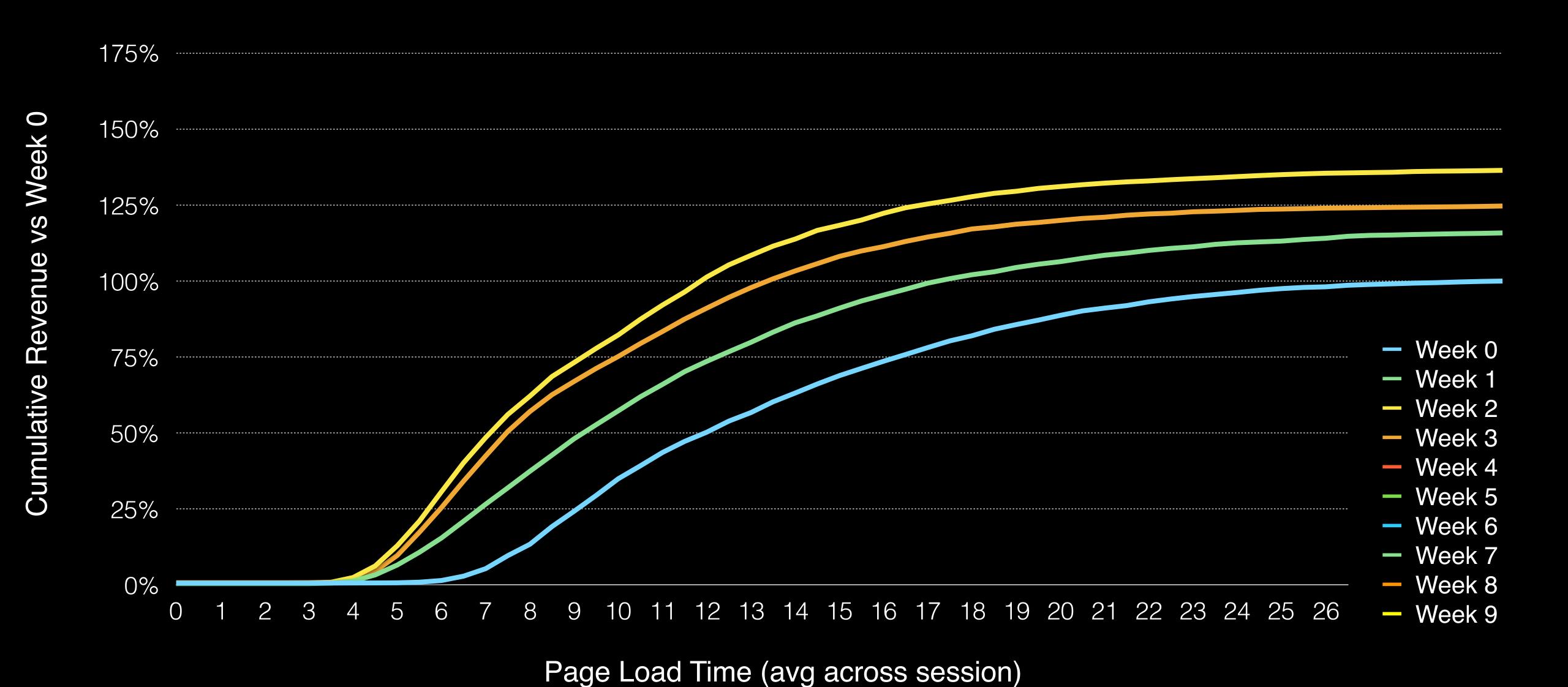
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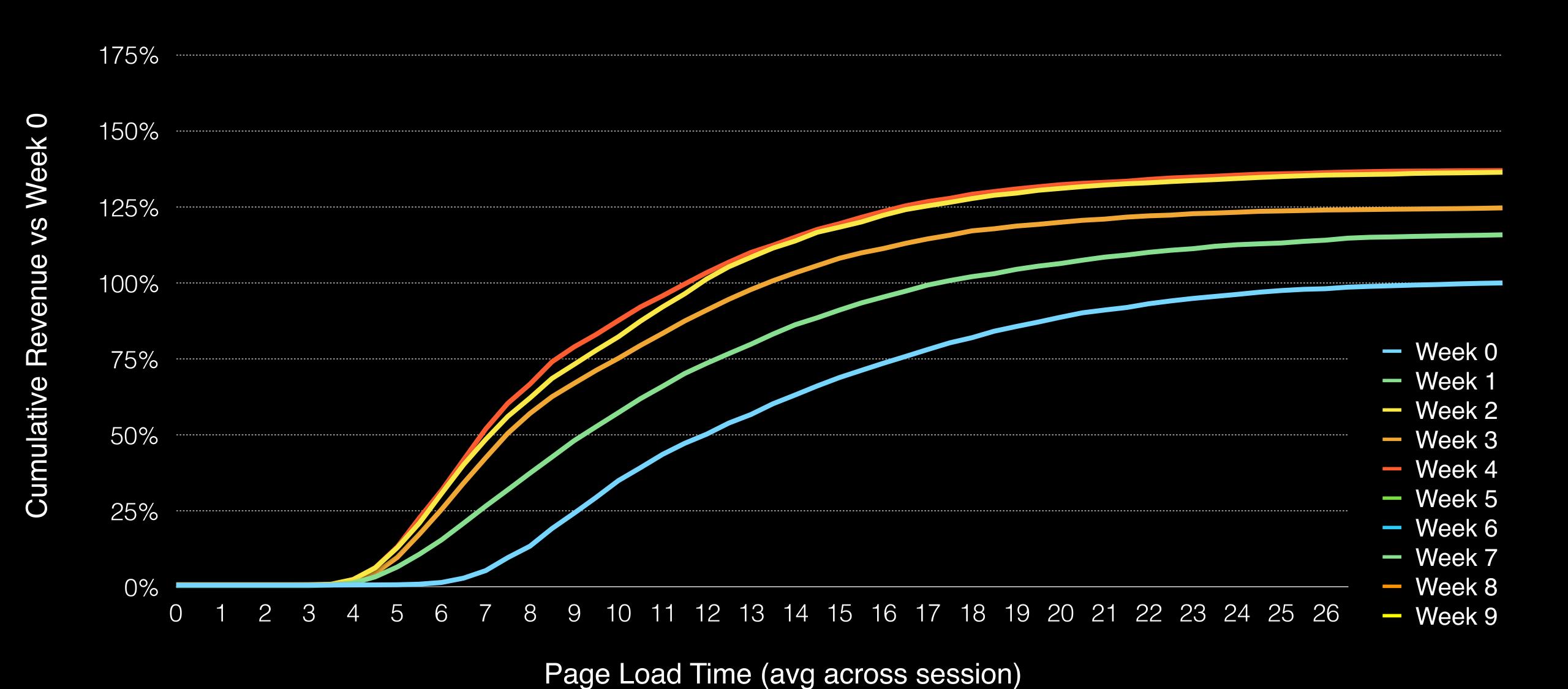


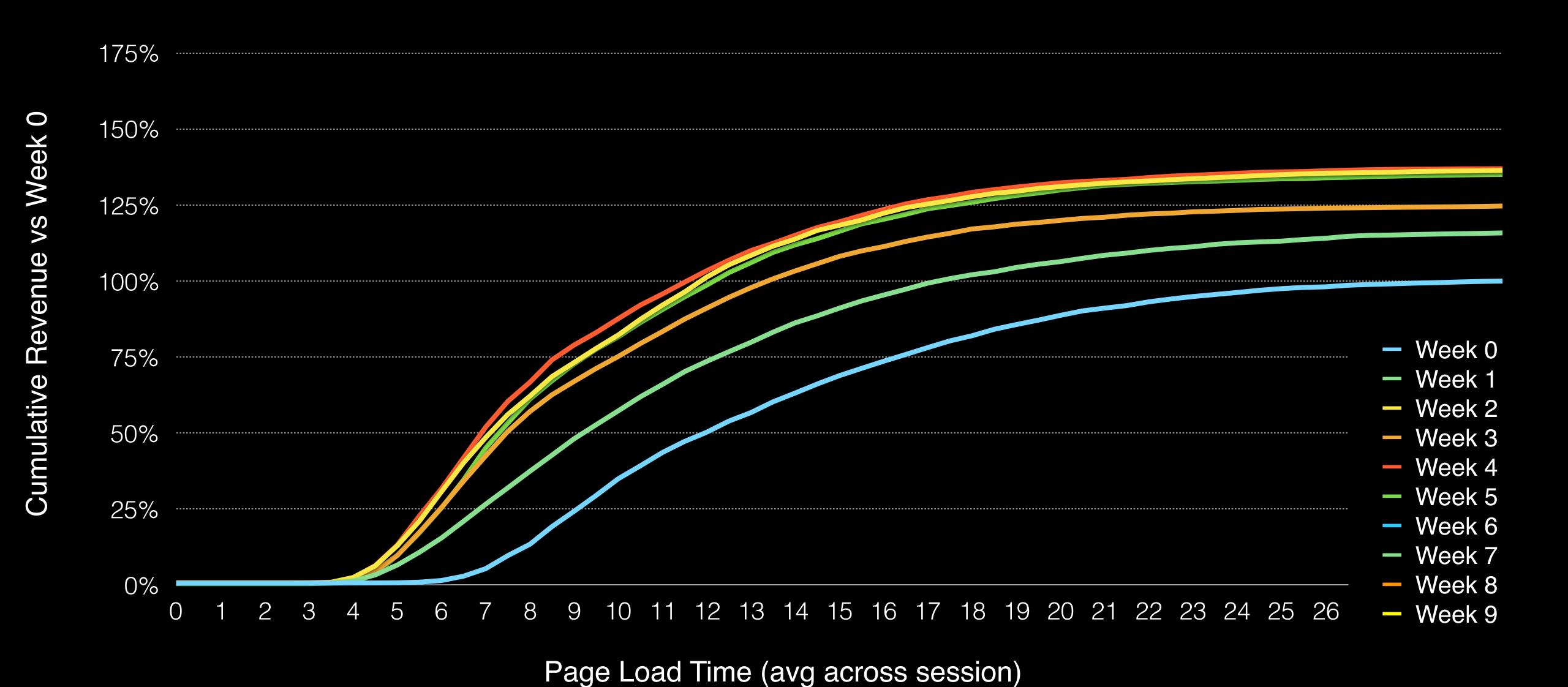


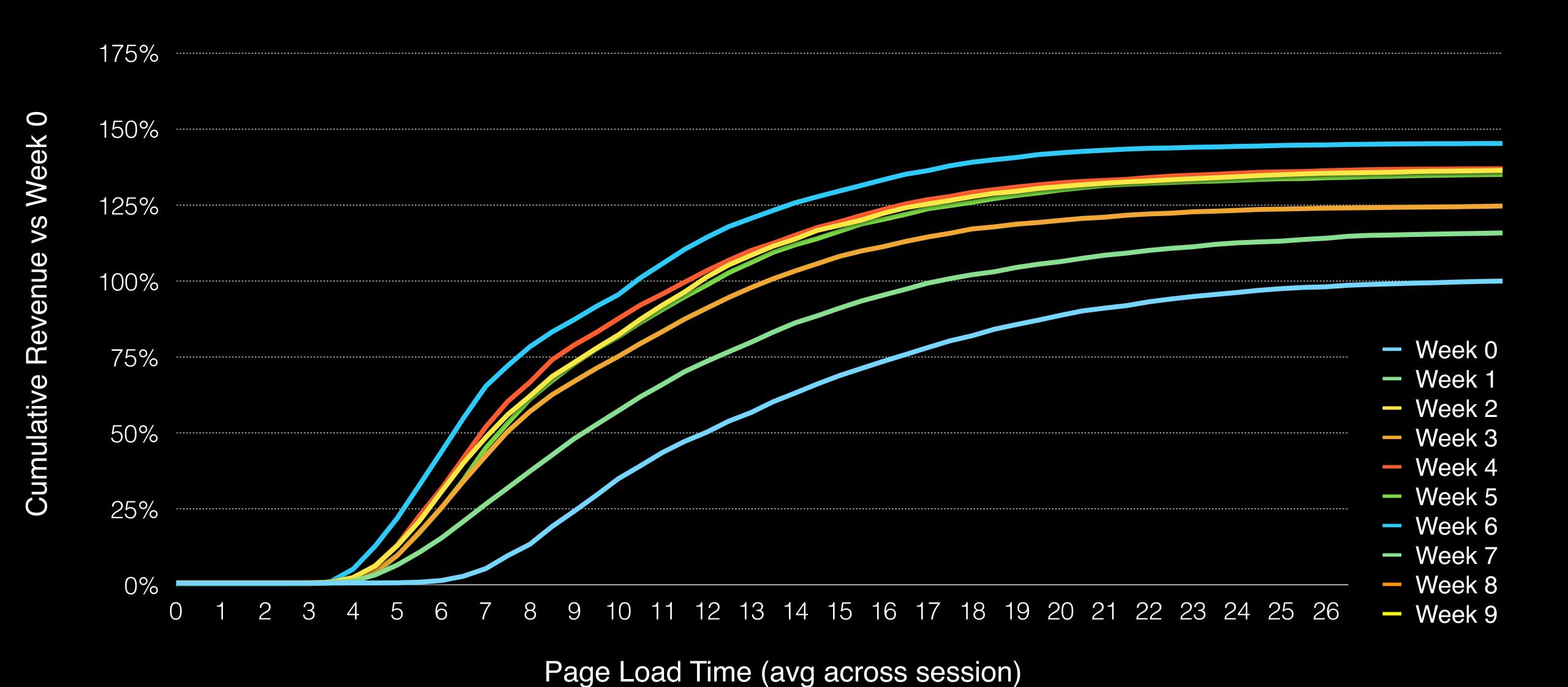


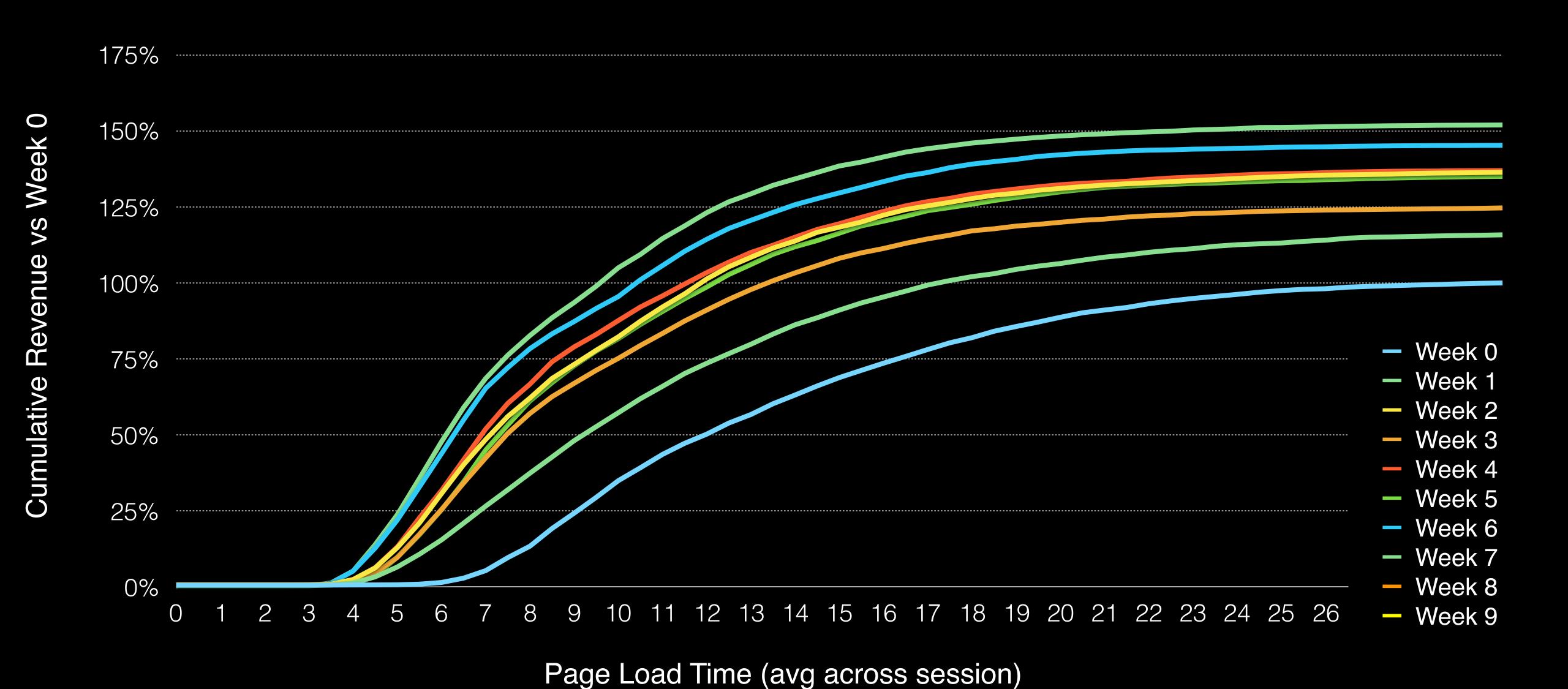


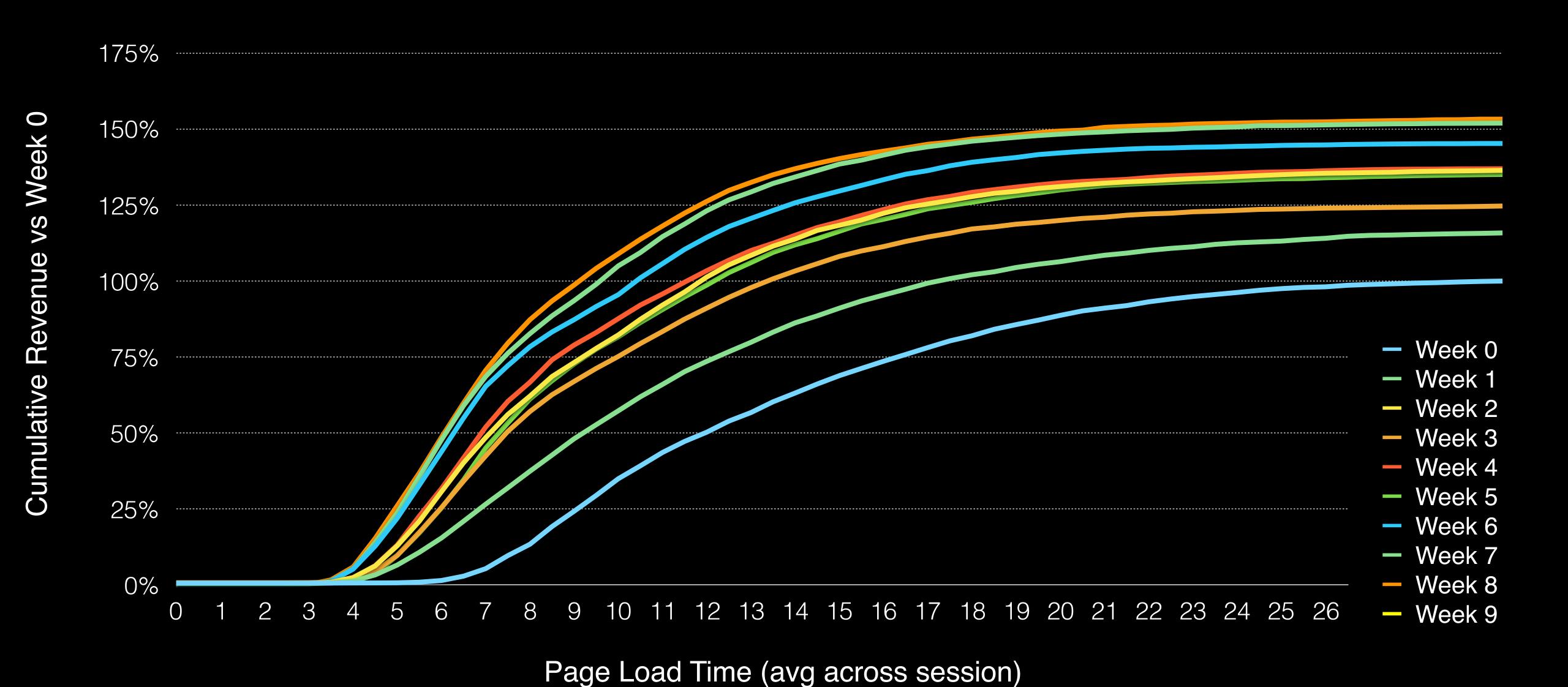


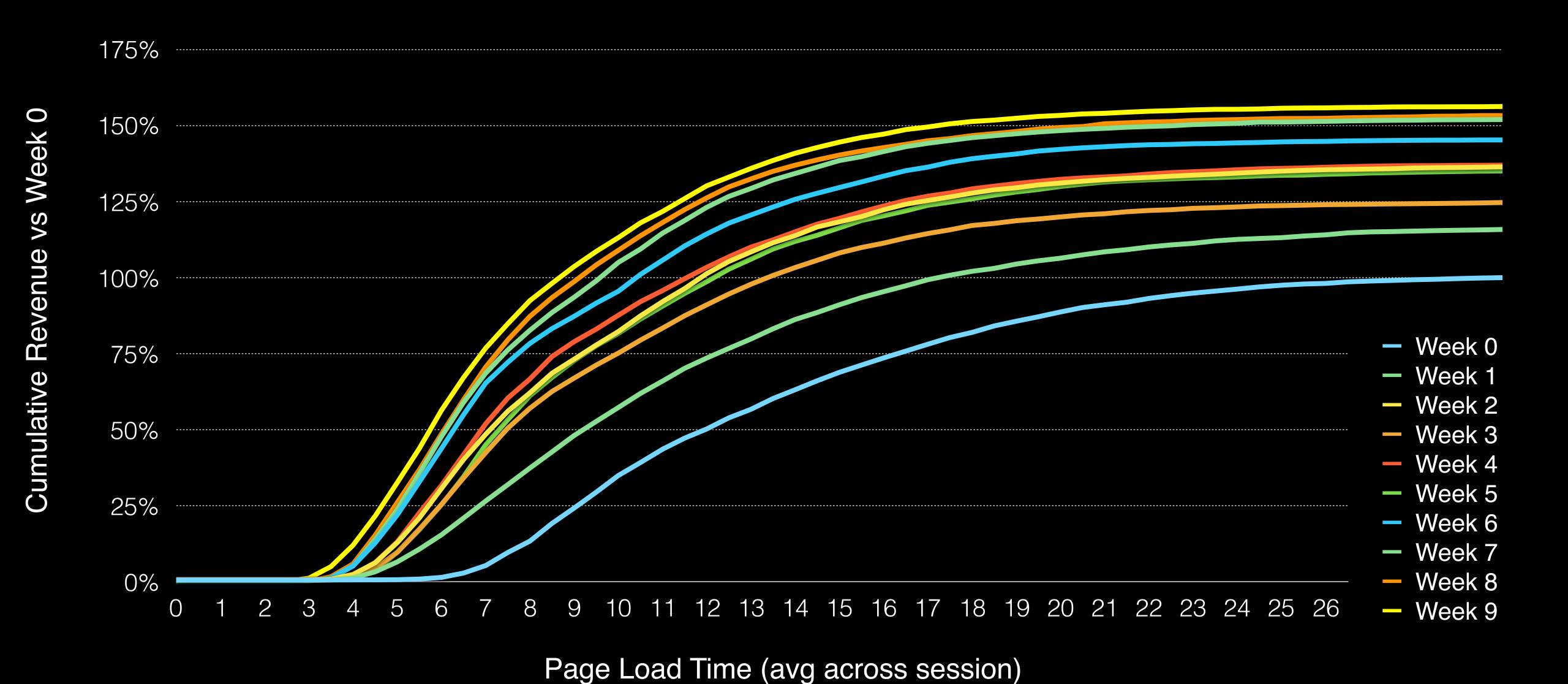




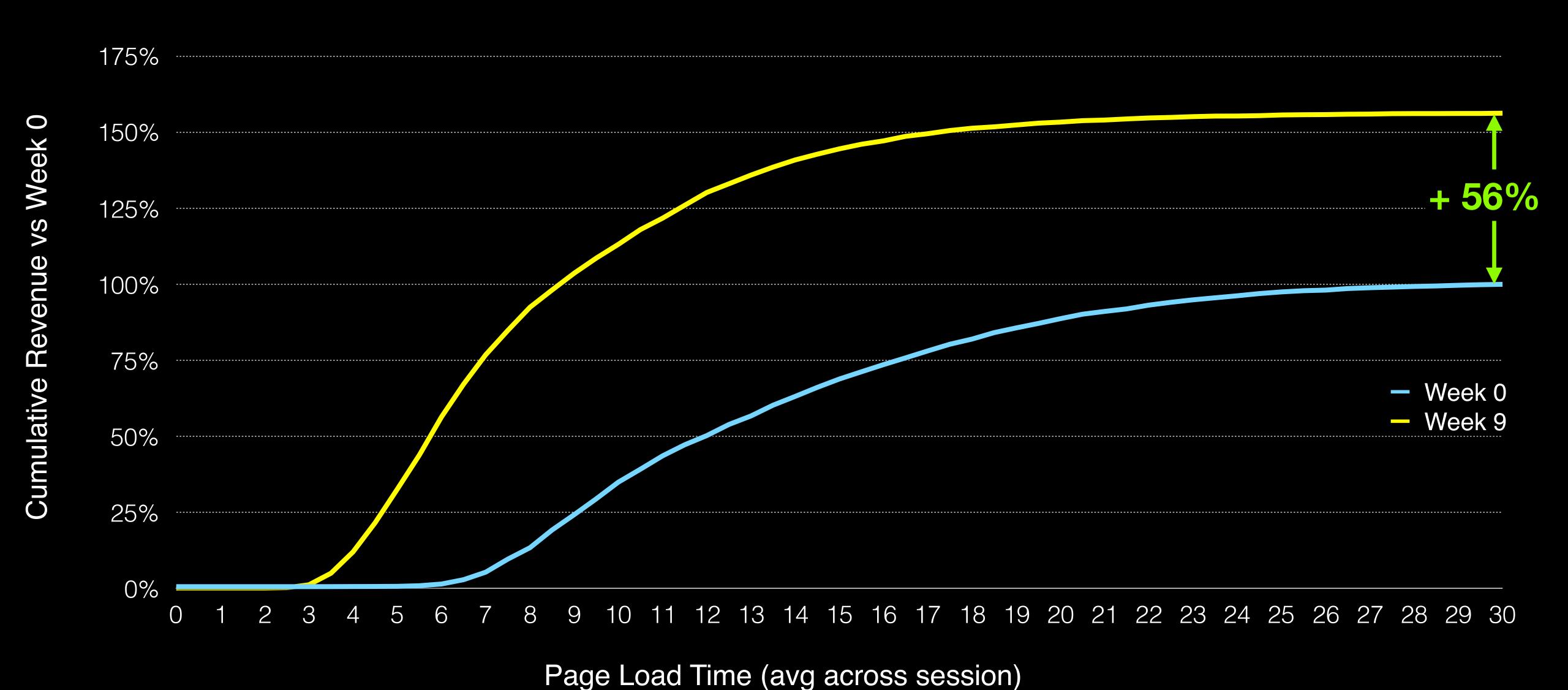








Android revenue increased week-on-week

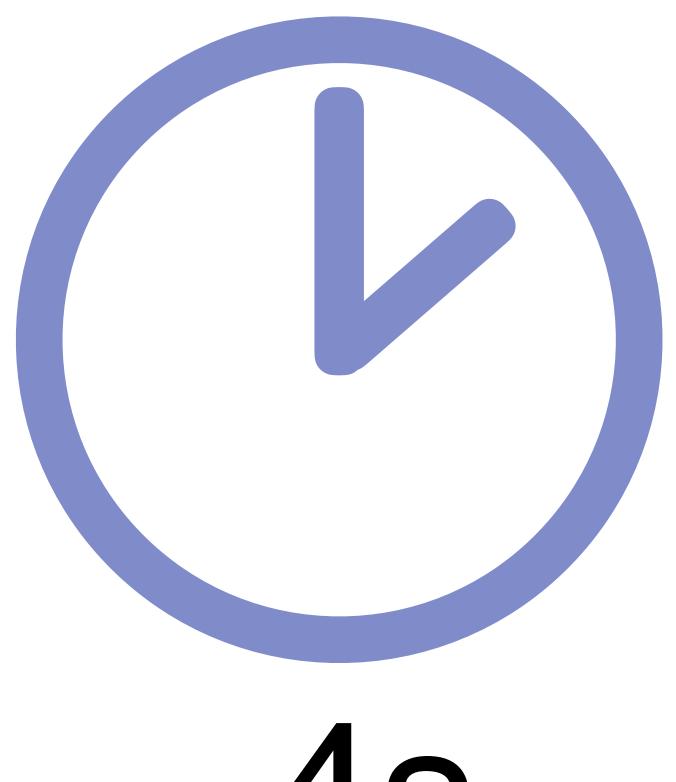


Nothing stays still in retail!

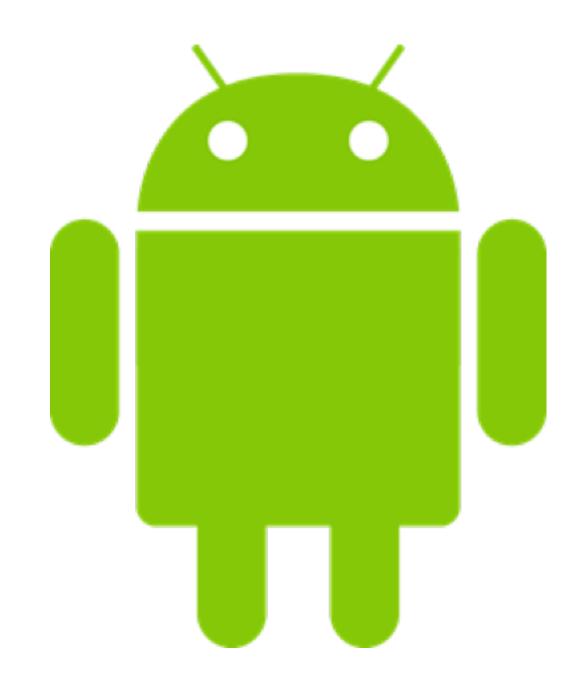




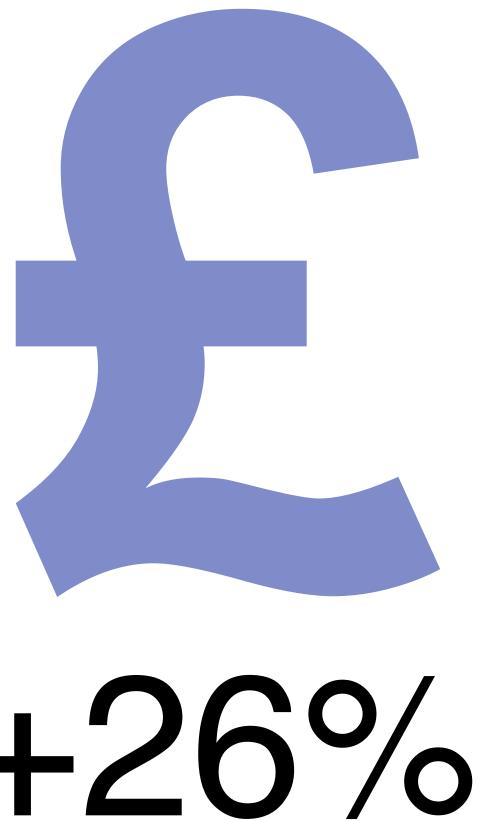




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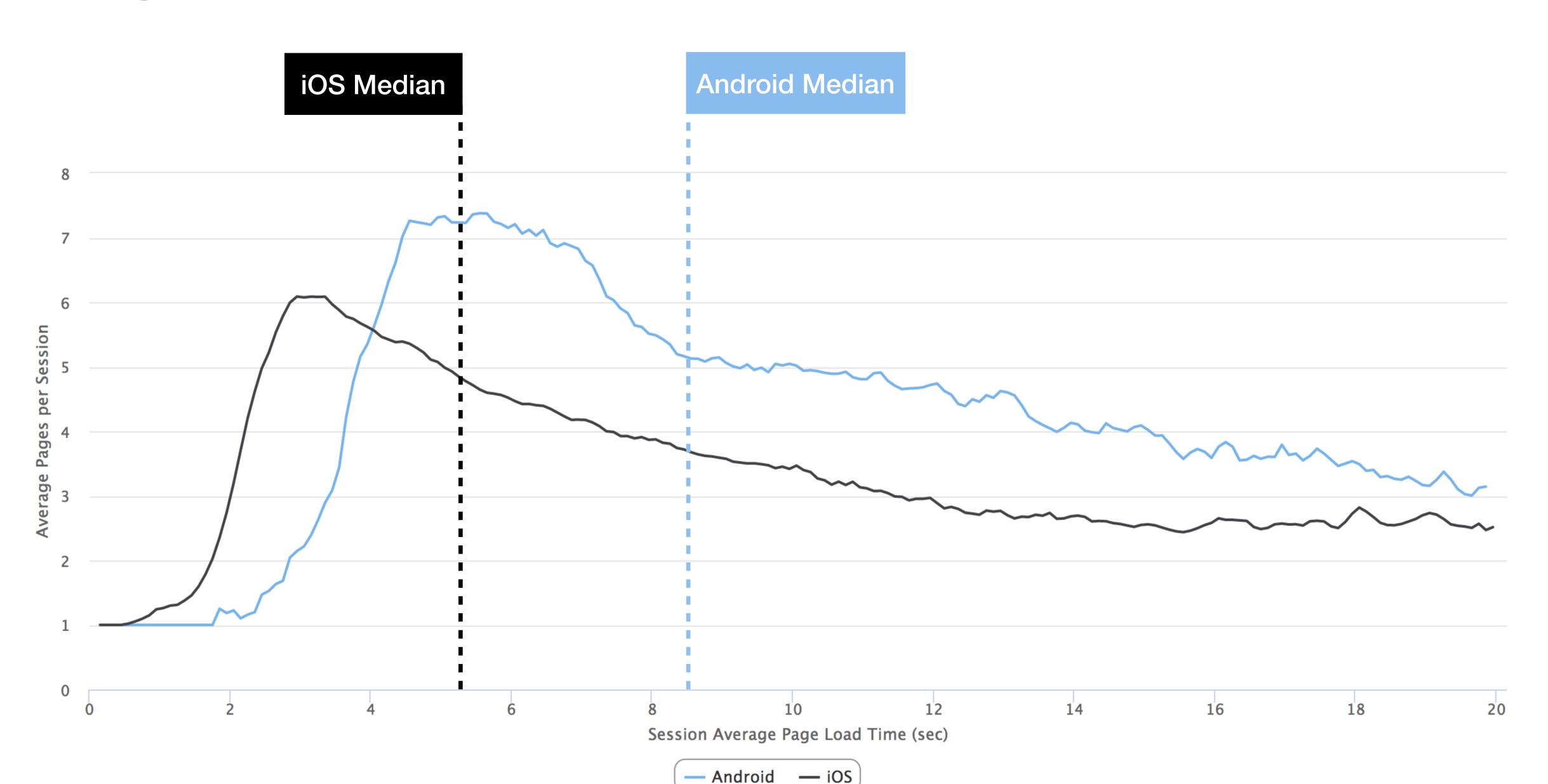






(Baselined against other platforms

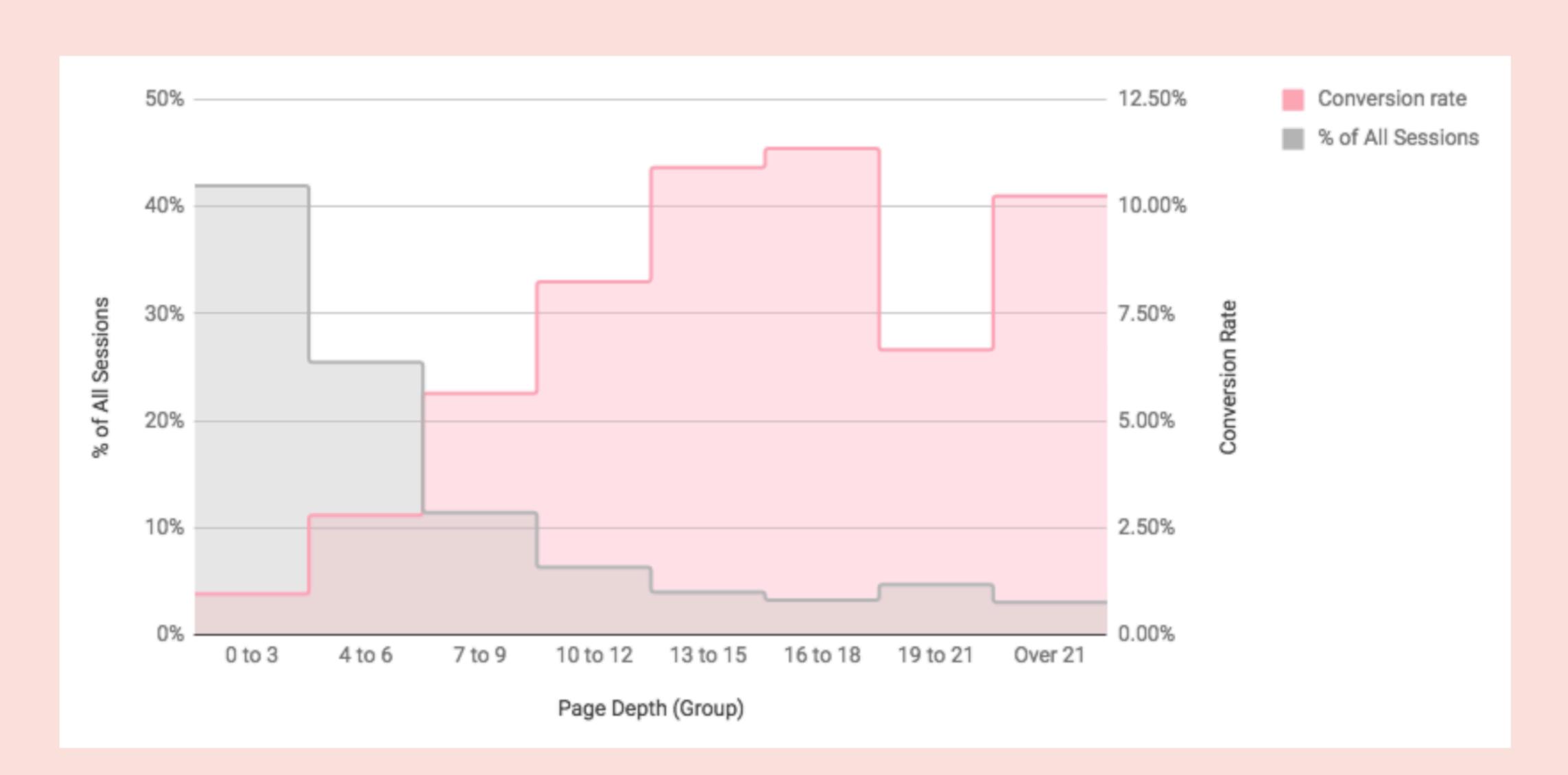
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Proving the link between page depth and conversion

Faster page loads mean more pages viewed – more pages viewed mean more conversions r-value is 0.75 indicating a strong corellation



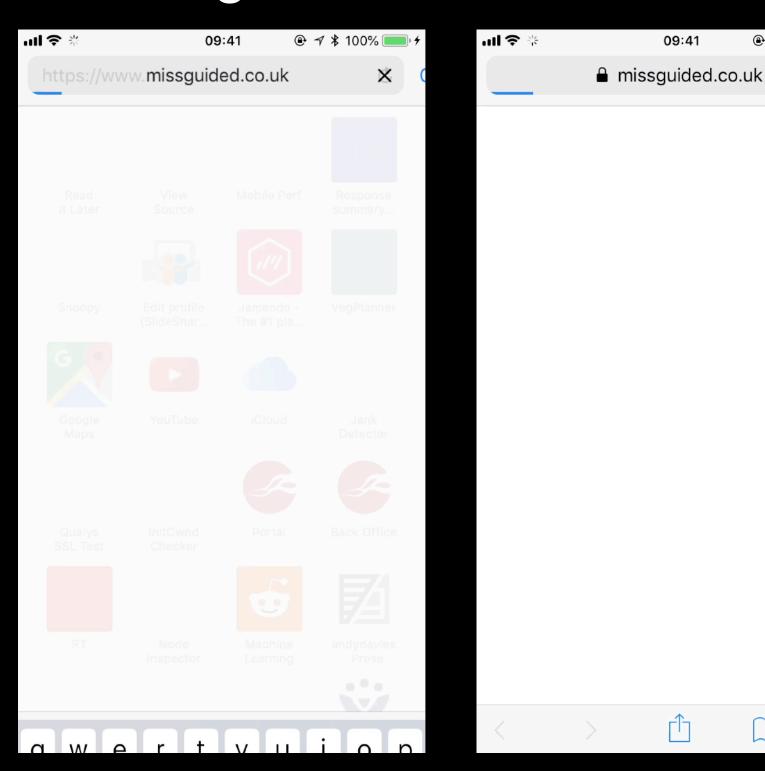
Winter 2017

"Can we make it to three seconds?"



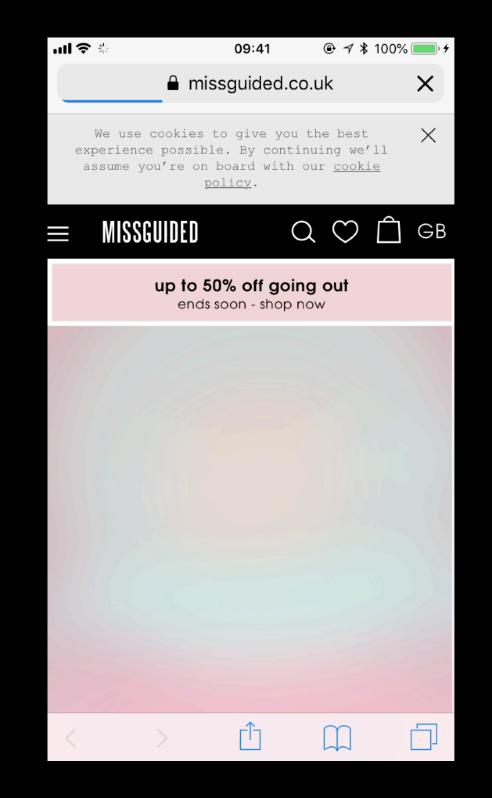
Focused on reducing time to useful and usable

Working?



Useful?

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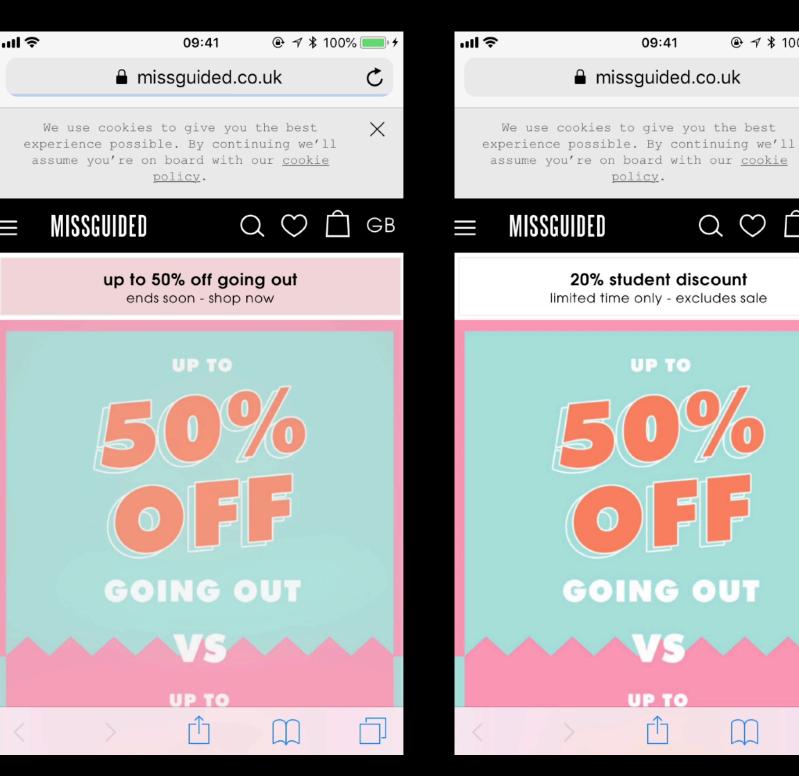
Usable?

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UP TO

UP TO

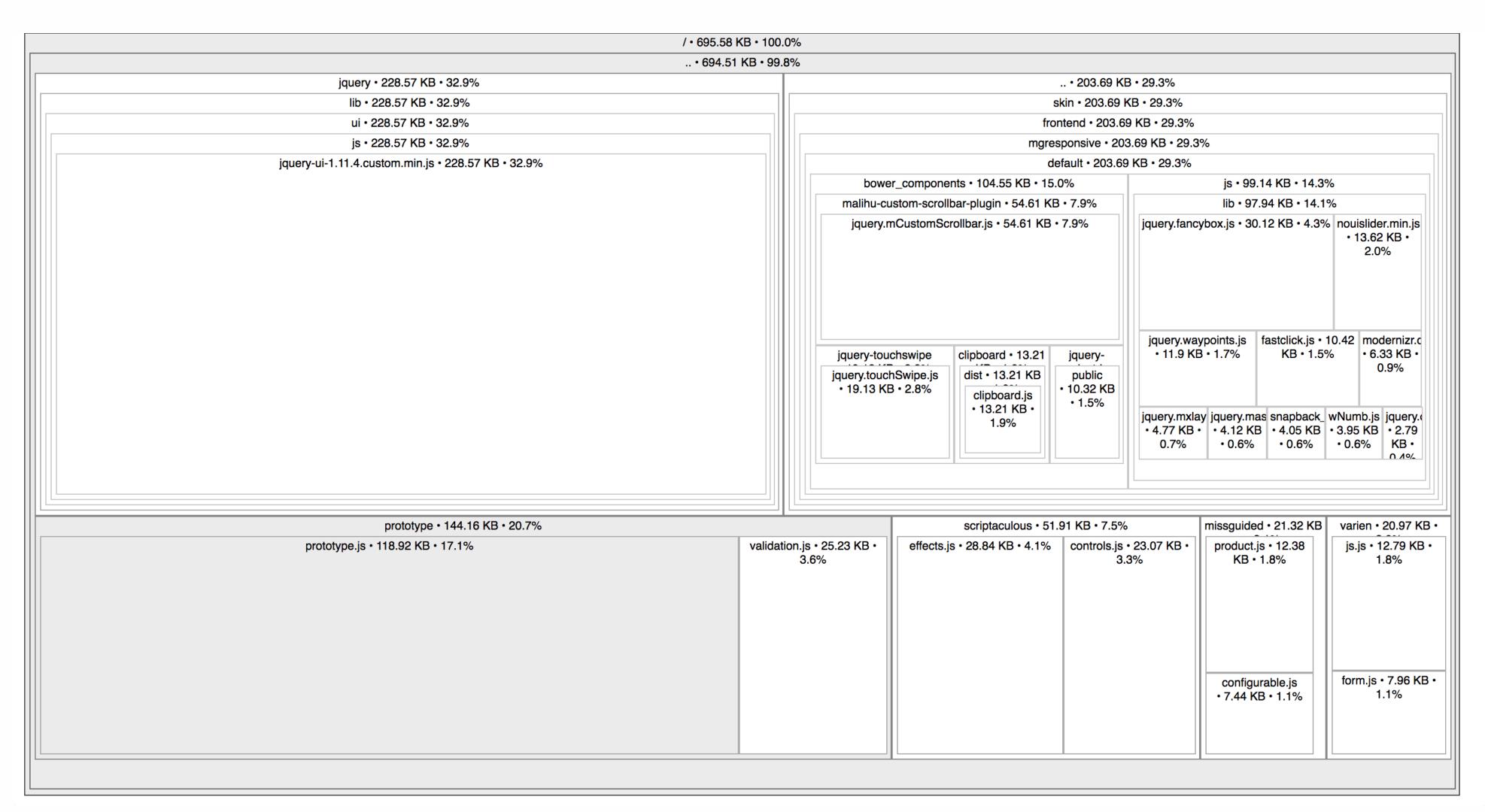
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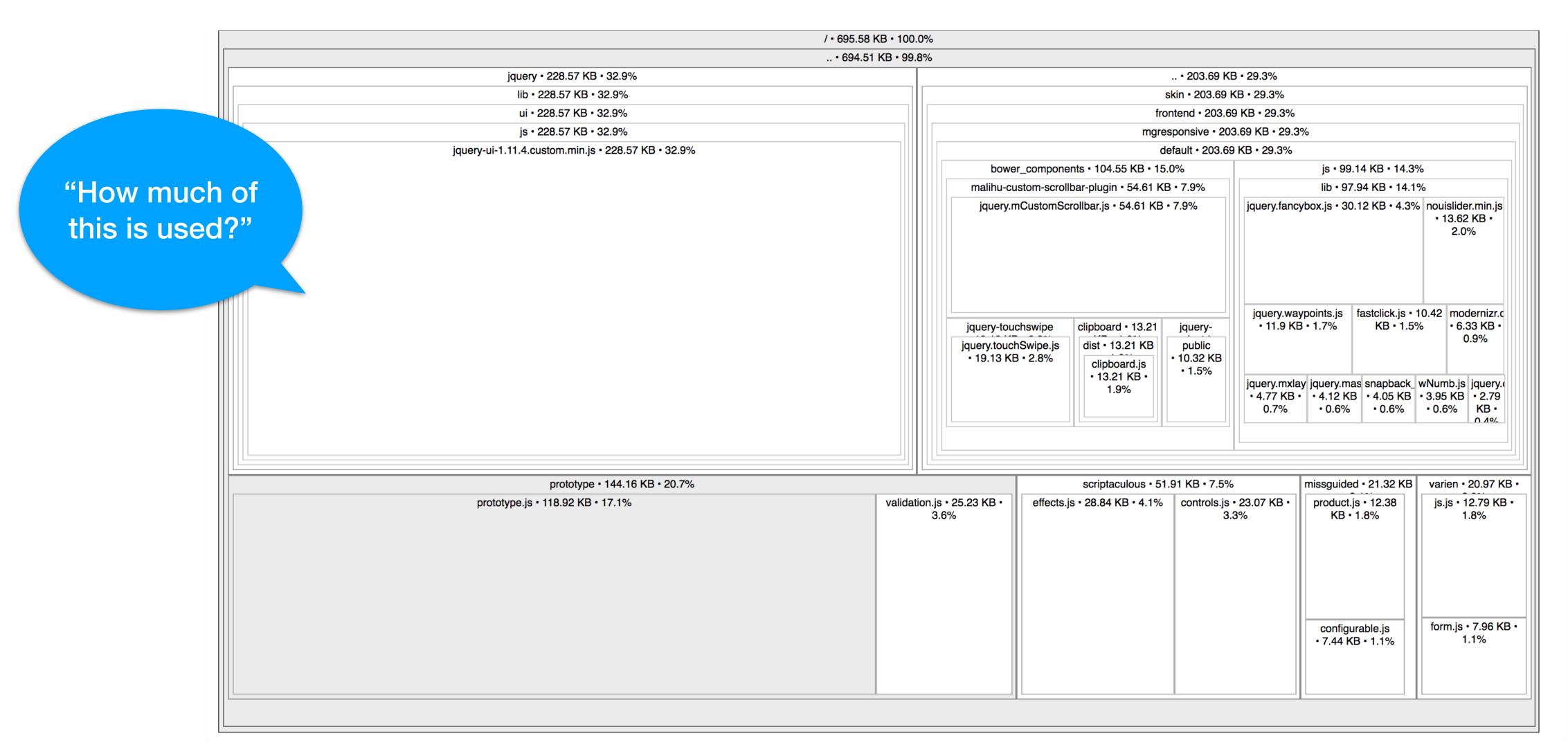


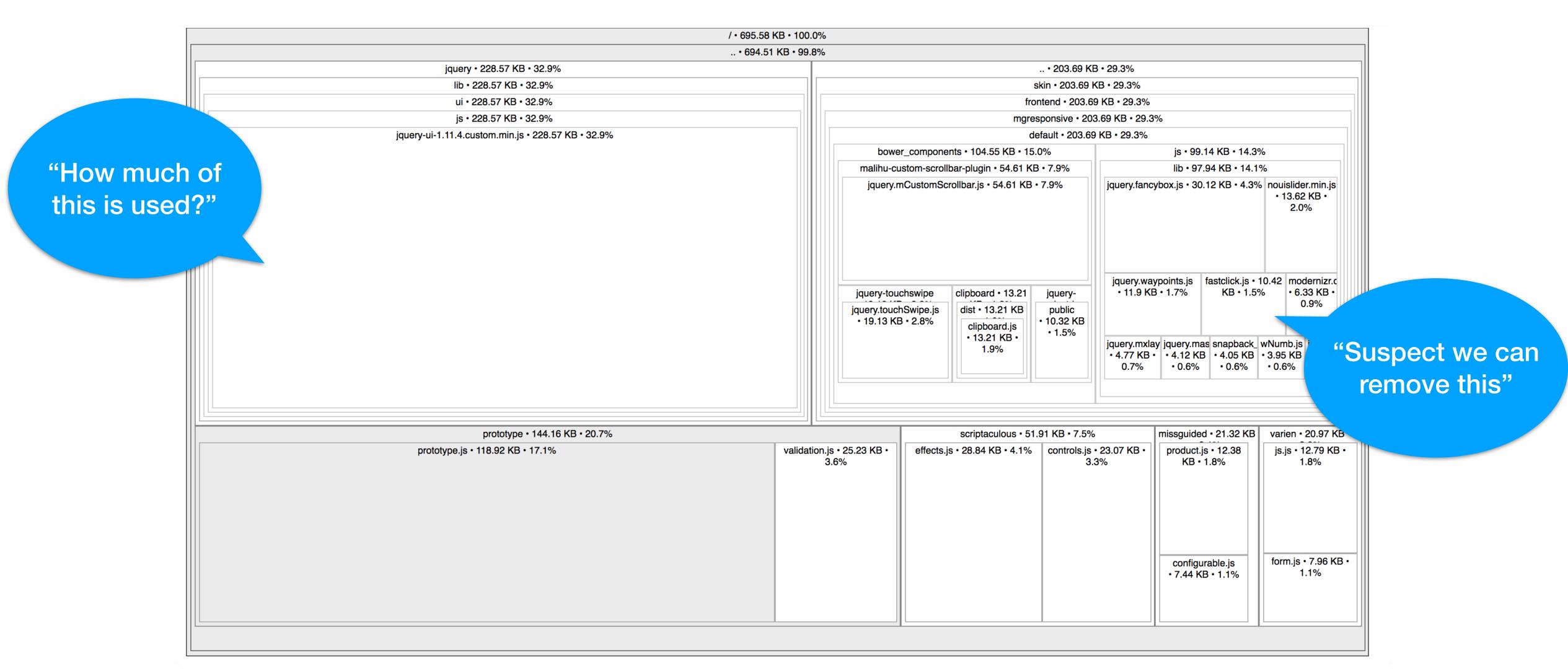
Especially rendering ____ delays

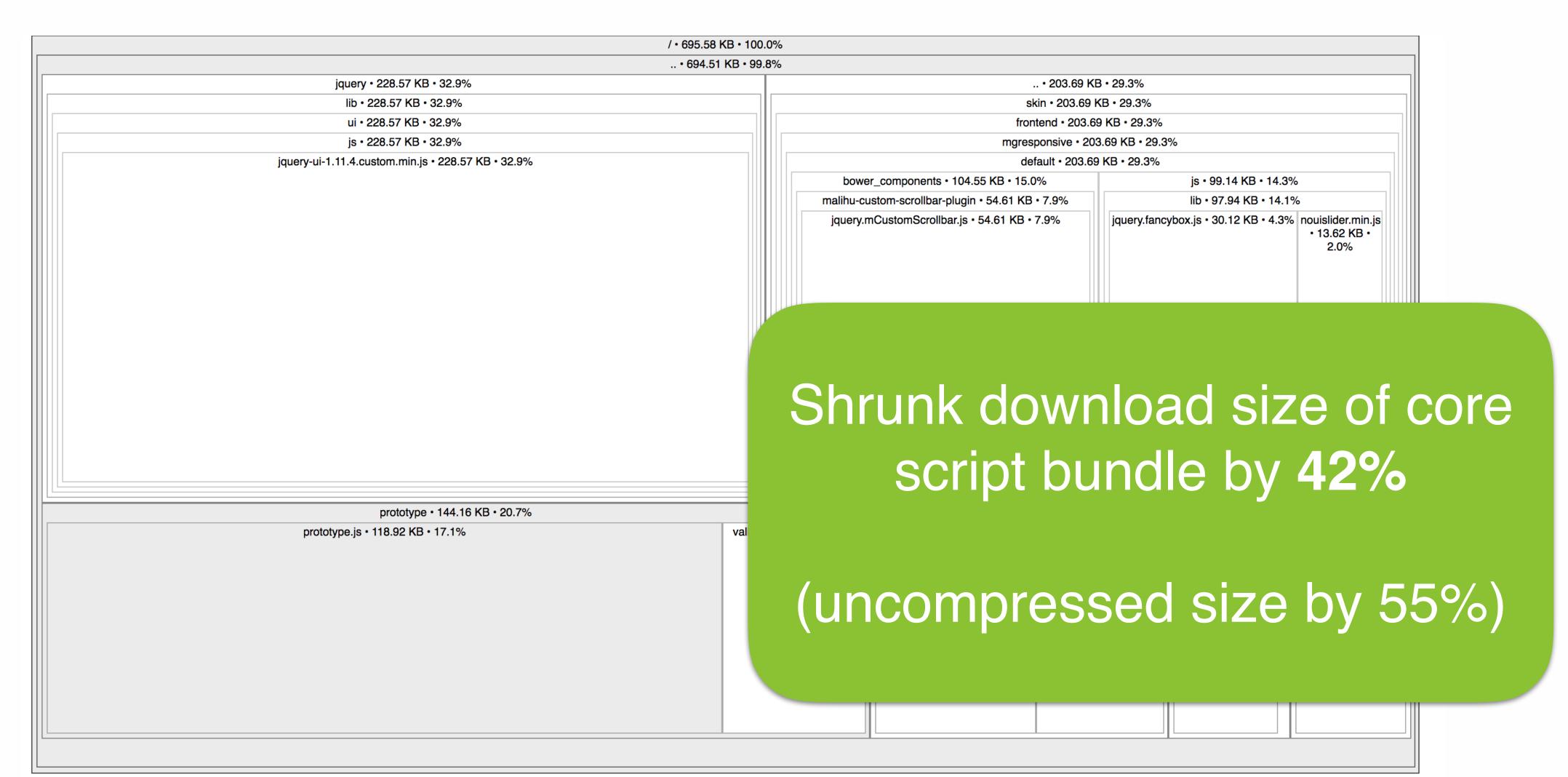
No magic go faster button







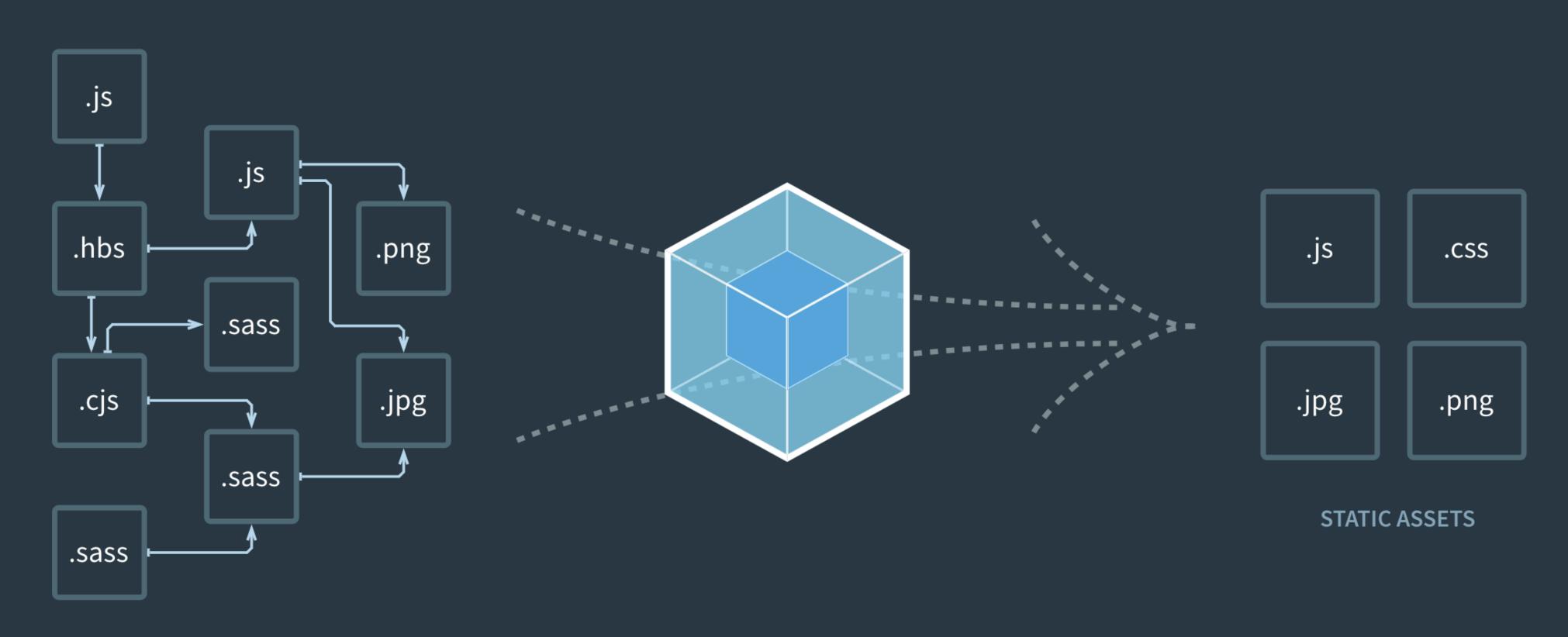






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bundle your scripts



MODULES WITH DEPENDENCIES

Performance Improvements were mostly dull, boring stuff

- Removing unused / un-needed code
- Removing duplicate styles
- Replacing social media libraries with ordinary links
- Moving 3rd party libraries onto Missguided domain
- Adding Resource Hints preconnect, dns-prefetch
- Defering loading until later where possible

Cleaned up Optimizely

Switched to Optimizely to use jQuery on the page rather than bundled version

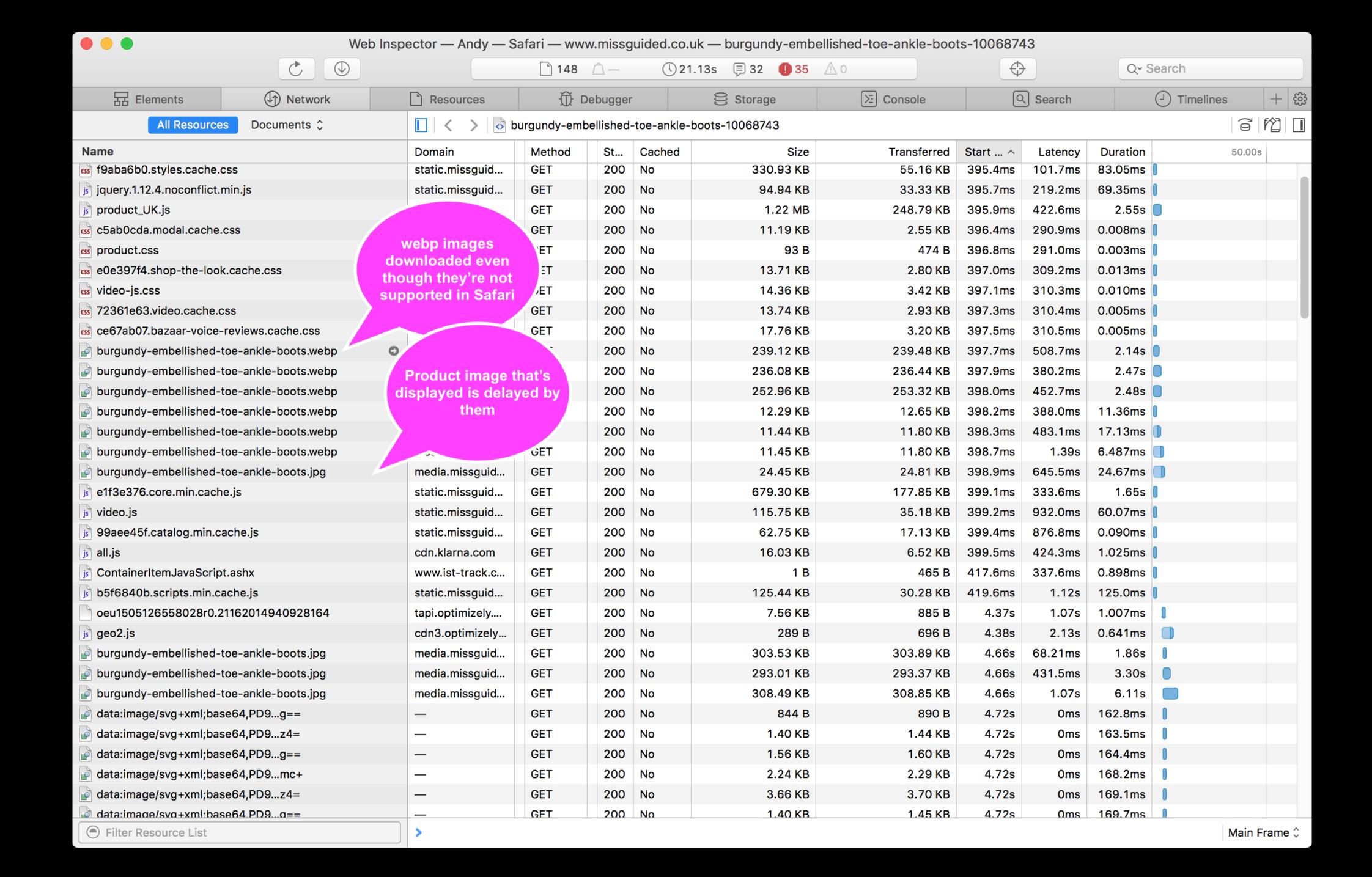
Removed A/A tests (were being used as Hotfixes)

Stripped out duplicate plugins, experiments for other environments, and expired ones



```
<picture>
    <source type="image/webp" srcset="foo.webp">
        <source type="image/jp2" srcset="foo.jp2">
        <img src="foo.jpg">
        </picture>
```

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Browsers that
                            support webp
<picture>
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  <source type="image/jp2" srcset="foo.jp2">
  <img src="foo.jpg">
</picture>
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It's a Safari pre-loader bug!

The 'type' attribute in <source> tags are ignored by the preloader. A common pattern is to use the <source> tag for content negotiation selection to specify webp for chrome and jp2 for safari. For example:

```
<picture>
    <source type="image/webp" srcset="foo.webp">
        <source type="image/jp2" srcset="foo.jp2">
        <img src="foo.jpg">
        </picture>
```

However, the HTMLPreloadScanner only considers the media query when selecting (or not) the appropriate <source> element. As a result the preloader greedily selects the foo.webp and then later requests the correct foo.jpg. It should also evaluate the 'type' attribute.

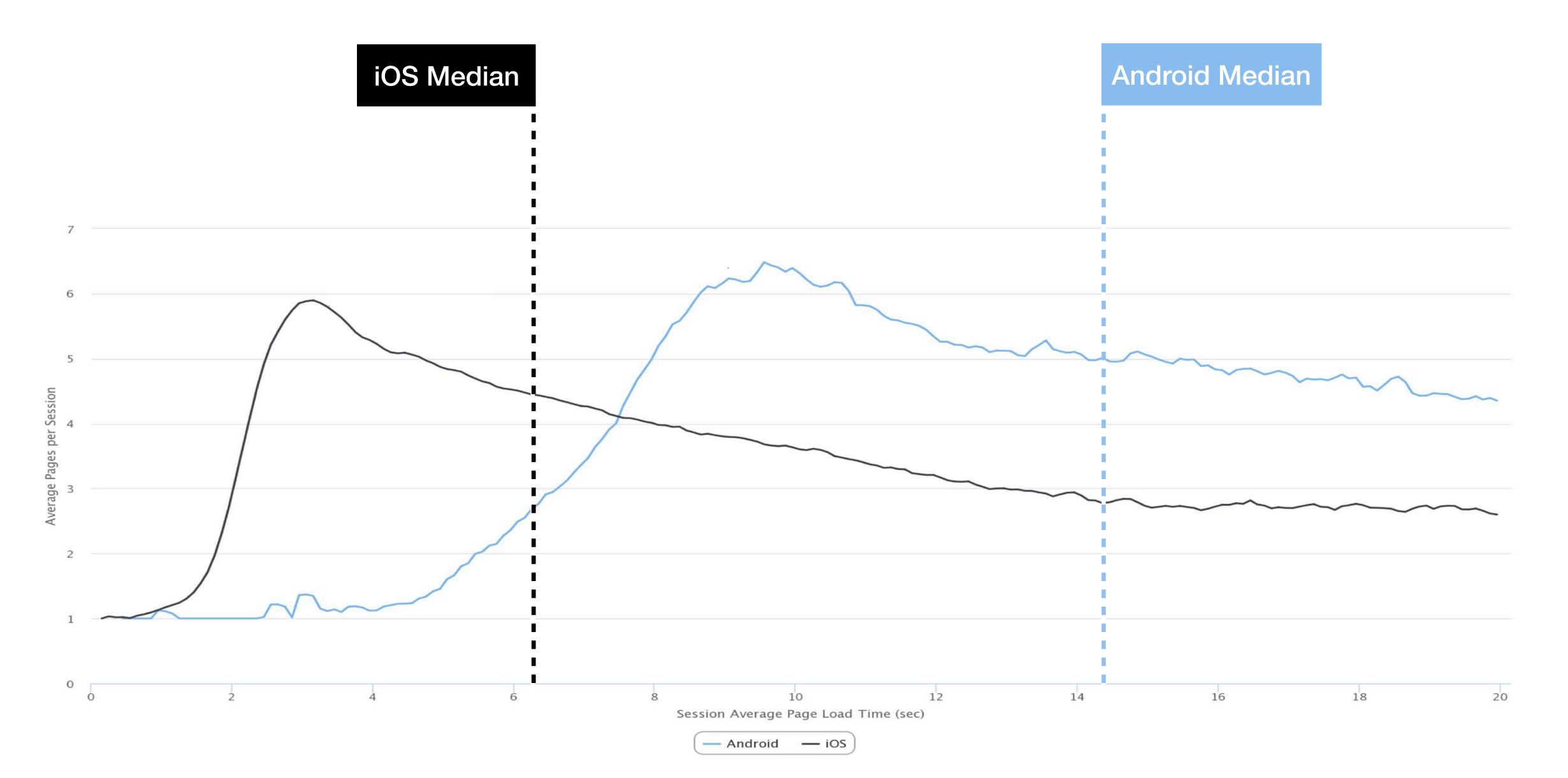
Optimizely snippet got larger (temporarily)

While switching out Optimizely's jQuery some extensions needed to be duplicated

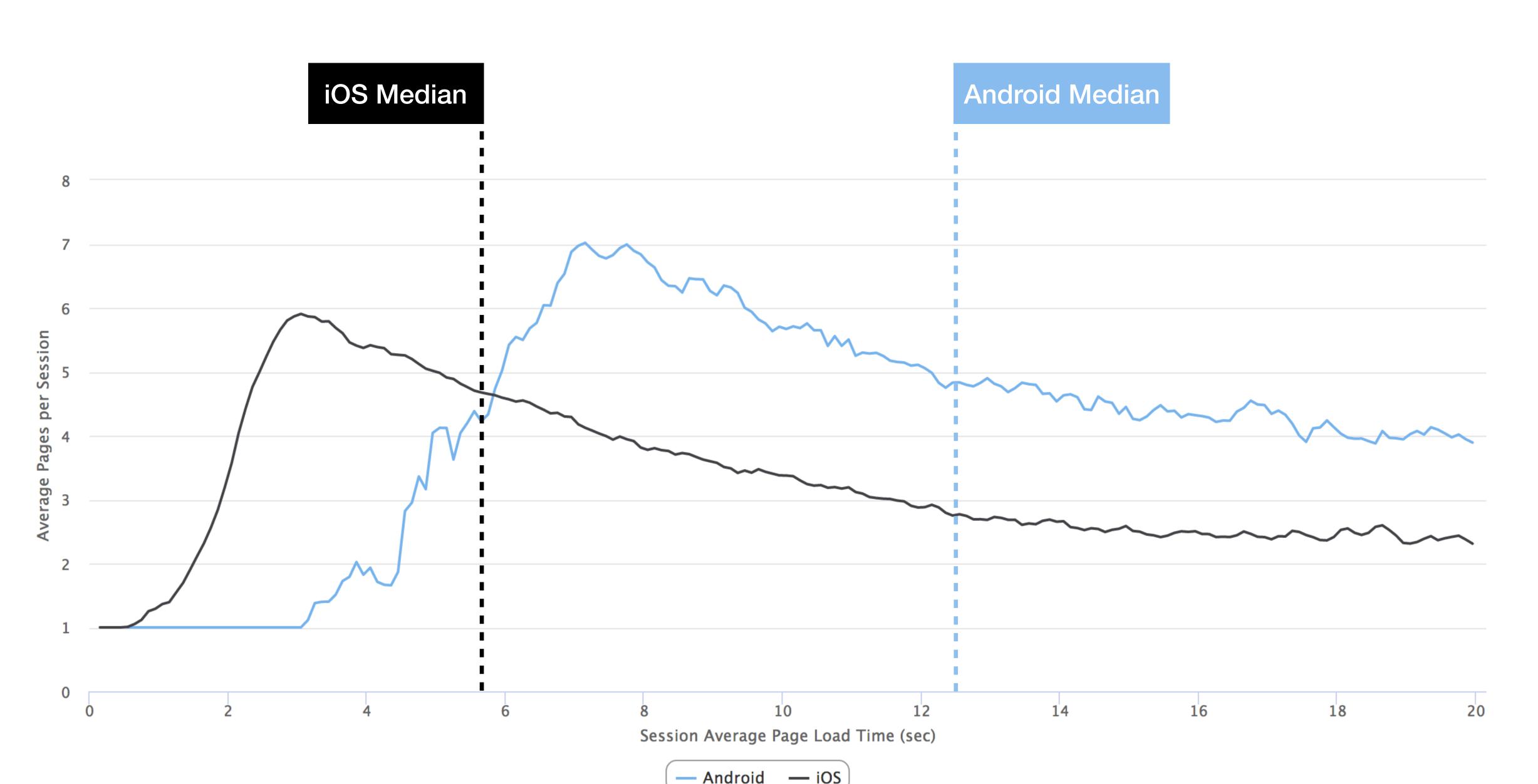
This made the bundle larger and slower until the migration was completed

So where are we now?

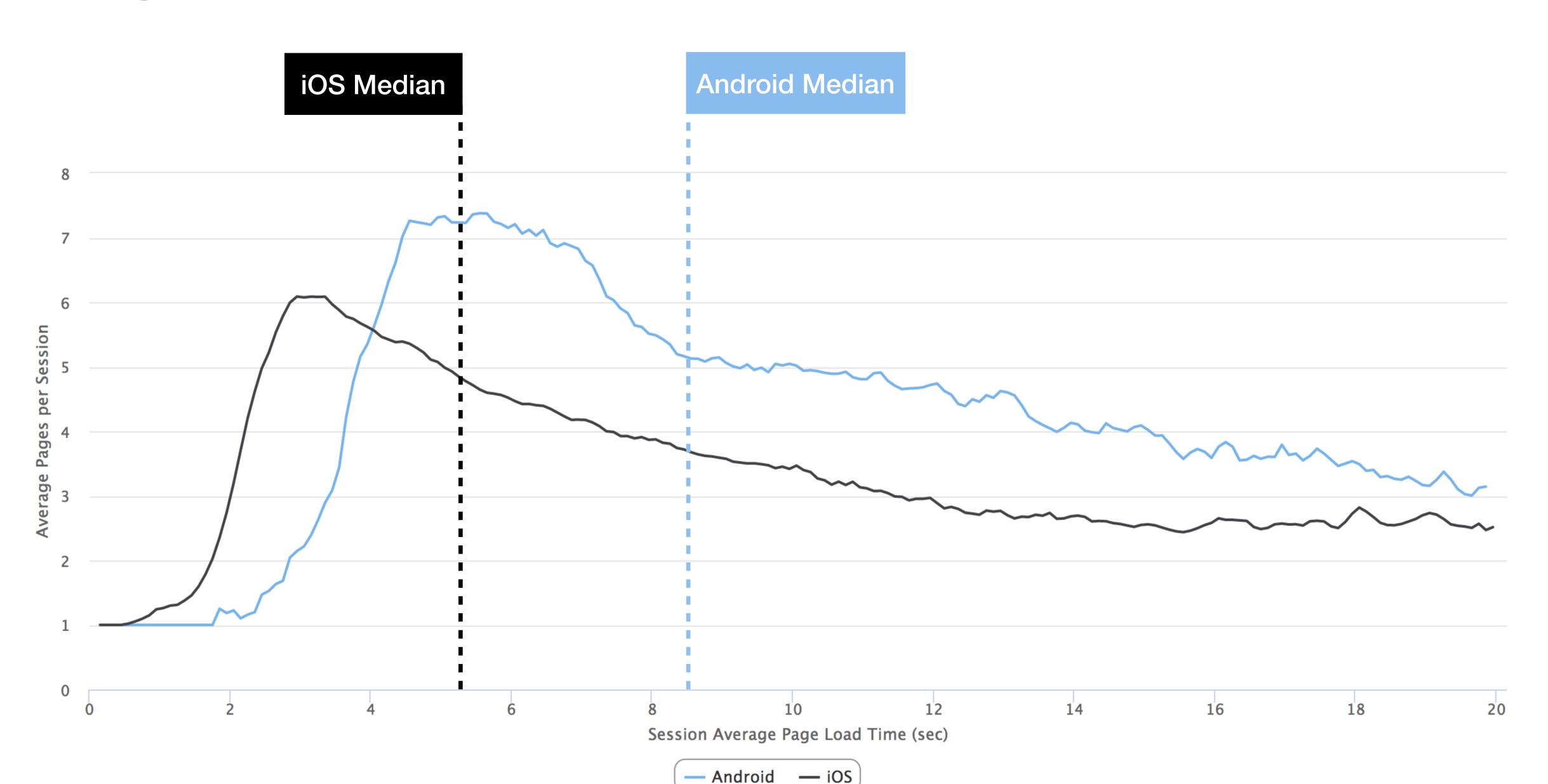
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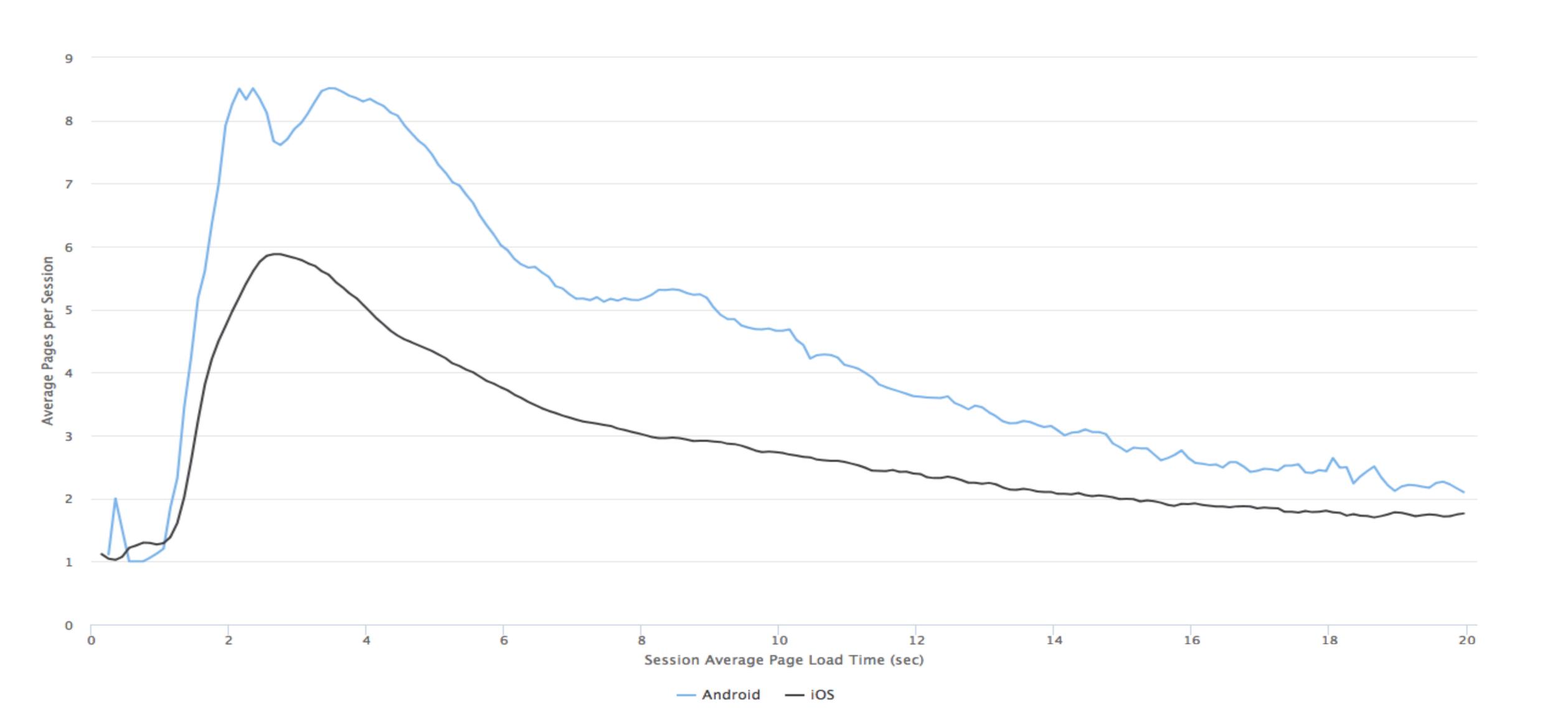
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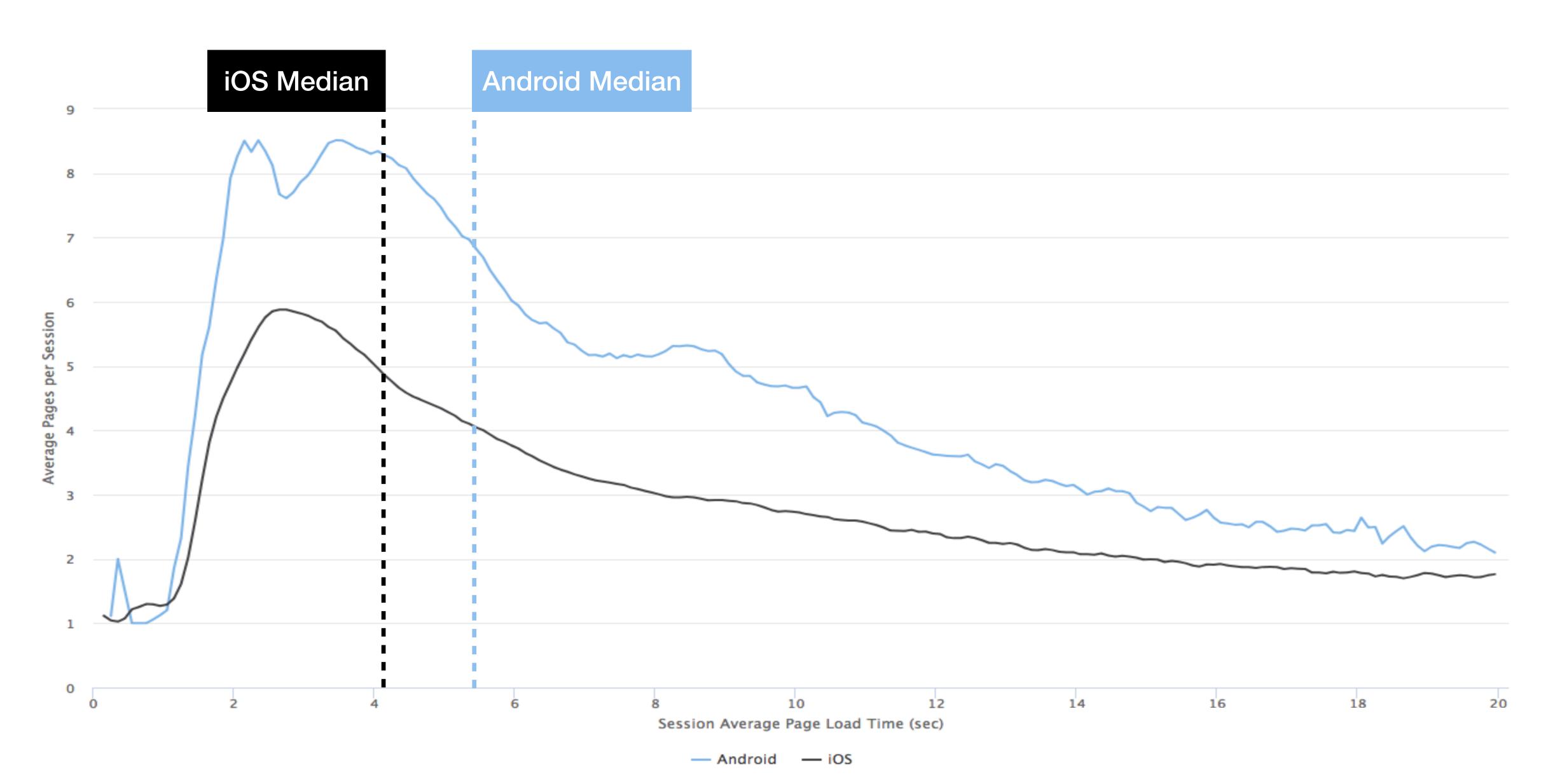
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April 2018 – HUGE improvement over 12 months



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What did we learn?

Linking revenue increases to performance improvements is still hard...

Many other factors to account for including:

Pricing

Promotions

New brands

Trends

Seasonality

etc.

Optimizely needs careful management

Easy to blow-up the script size

Optimizely are working on features to help

They also capture performance data and will share

Perseverance Pays

Where next?

Add performance monitoring to build process

Testez, analysez et optimisez votre site web

Performance web, référencement, sécurité, qualité, etc

Tester la vitesse et la qualité de mon site web : audit gratuit



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cx dareboost

Analyser ma page



Further Optimizely improvements

Move experiments into React front-end and use Optimizely for feature flags

Did we make it to 3 seconds?

Over May bank holiday weekend median was just above 3.5s

Thank You!

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