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- Microsoft Edge and Developer Experience (VSCode, Devtools...)
- W3C Member WebML Discussion Group
- 20 years web developer
- eToys, Agilisys, Yahoo, Mozilla...
- Wrote 3 books, contributed to 10(?)...

Checking Twitter in the morning...



before



after



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- JavaScript vs. CSS
- Frameworks vs. VanillaJS
- Brevity vs. maintainability
- Tooling vs. low barrier of entry
- Client vs. Server vs. Isomorphic
- Native vs. Web
- Mobile vs. Desktop
- Cats vs. Dogs

Things we say to each other without considering the context...





THIS DoeS NOT wORk when the Data You put IN is IMpure!



THIS DOESN'T PERFORM WHEN YOU hAVE A LoT OF DATA!



THIS coUID BE wrlTten mUch SHORTER!



THIS dOeS NOt WORK iN oLd BrOwsErS!

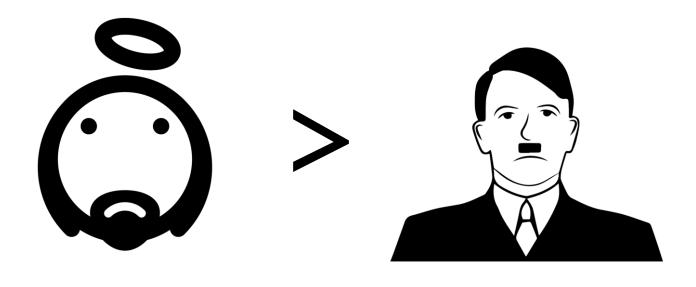


THIS IS nOT ACCessible!

Knee-jerk reactions...



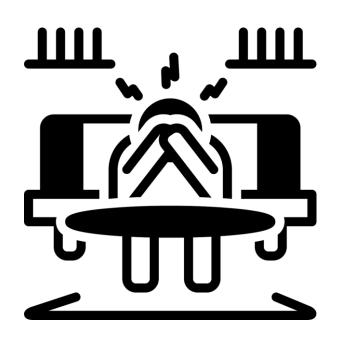




Create indefensible accusations by zooming out and disregarding circumstances



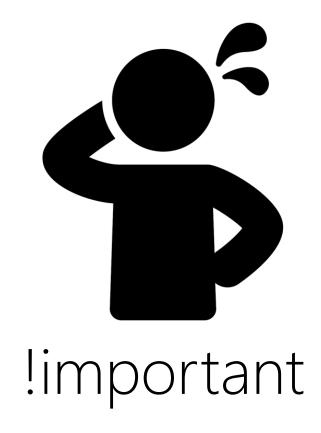
You look clever and caring for the web — without doing any work!



Is that worth discouraging people?

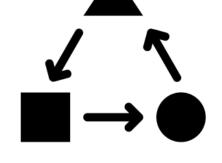


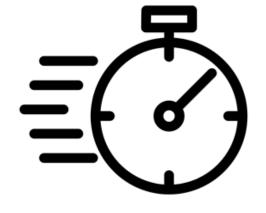
Is the right place and time to argue for quality when the product is done?



Things that should matter in a web product









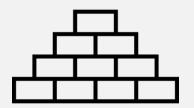
Accessibility

Interoperability

Performance

Security

HTML



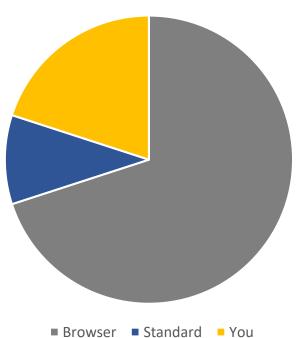
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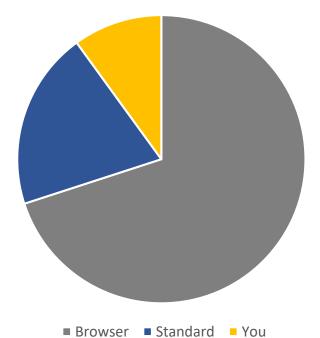
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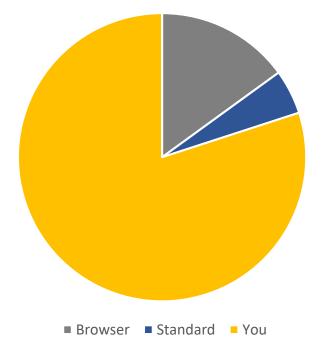




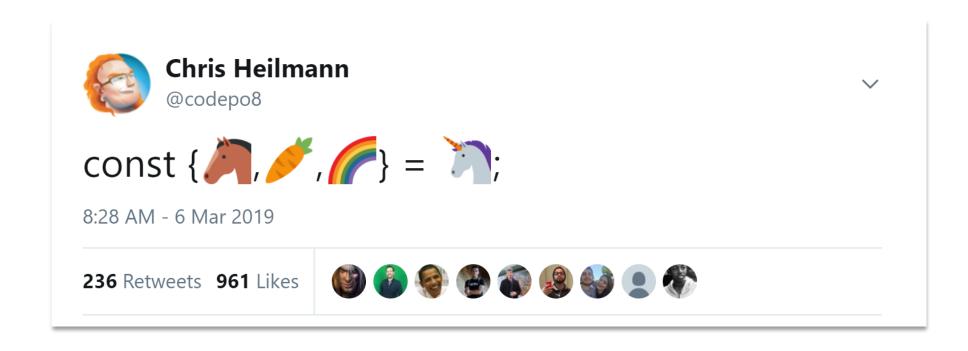
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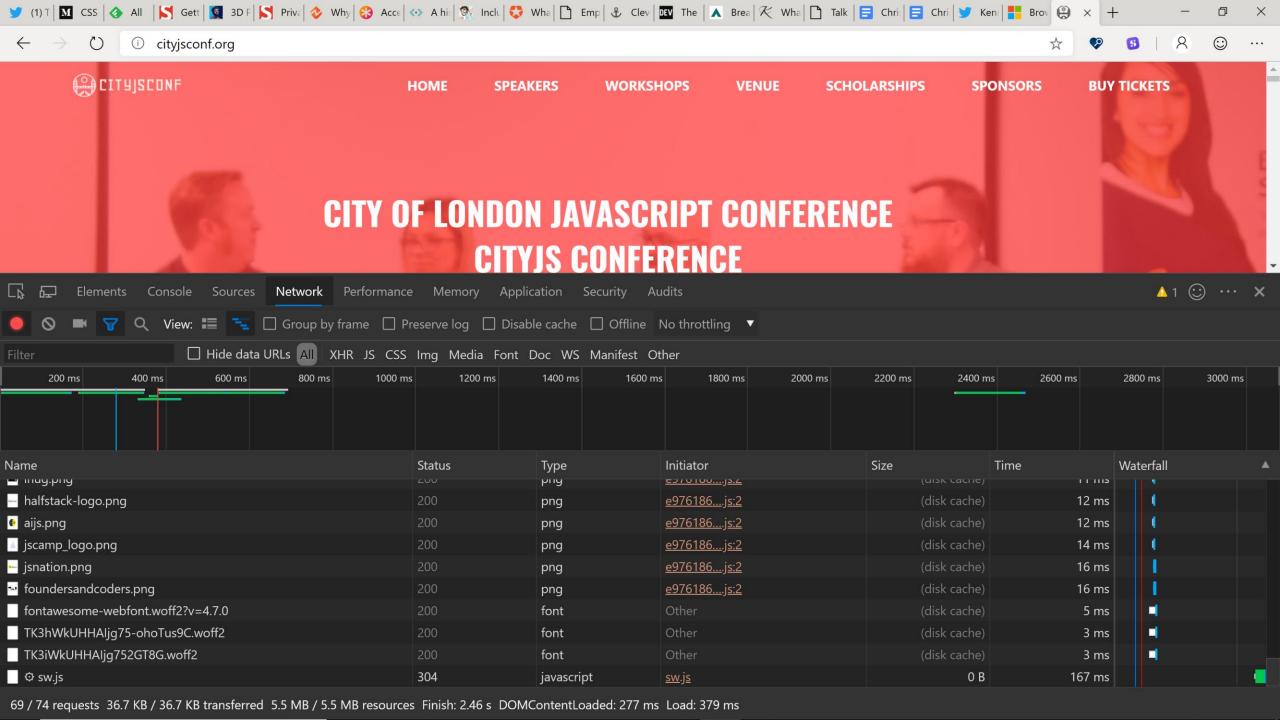


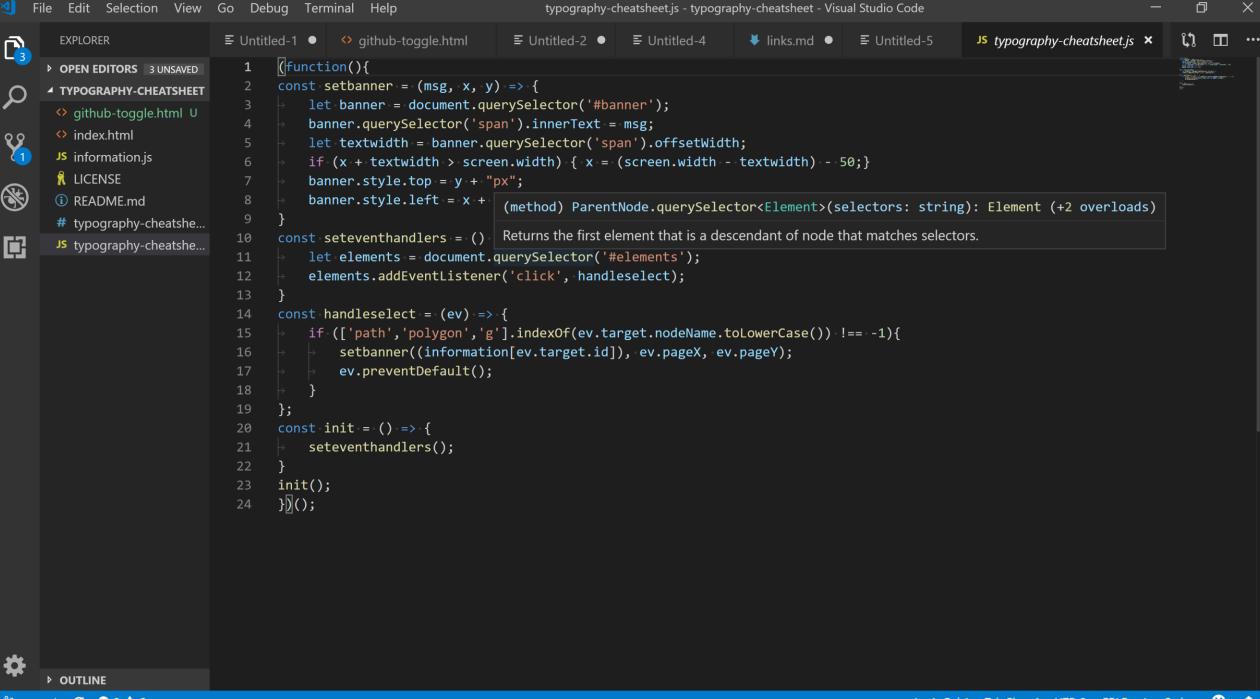
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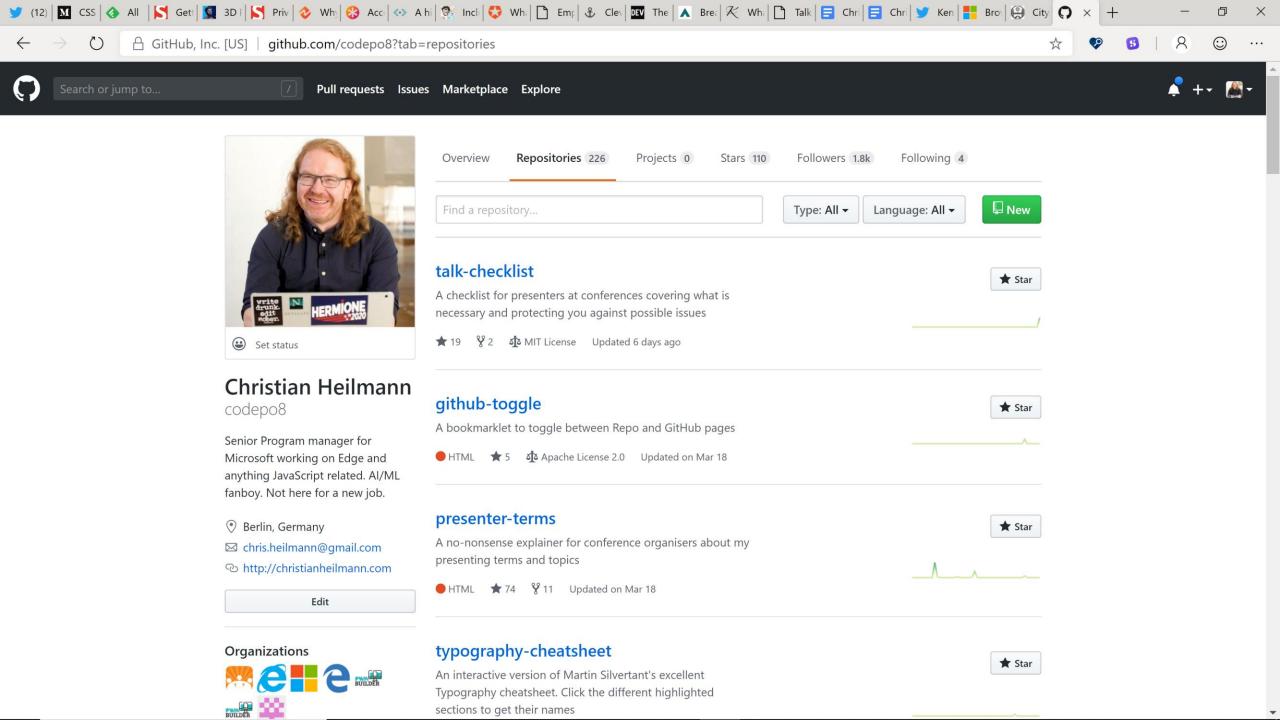


We're well prepared to create magic...





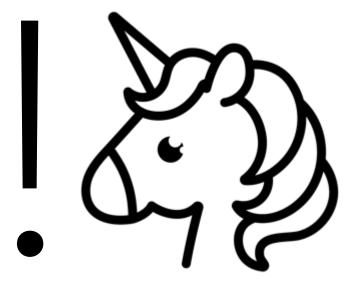






We're empowered to write great things

- Highly optimised code
- Reusable, clean components
- Modular design systems
- Flexible APIs
- Asynchronous, streaming services
- Experimental, groundbreaking standard proposals
- Automation, task runners, bundlers...

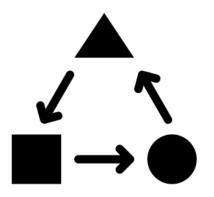


Let's look past our world of conferences, podcasts and magazines...

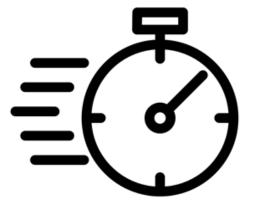




Accessibility



Interoperability



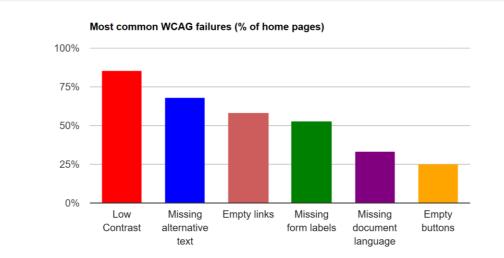
Performance



Security



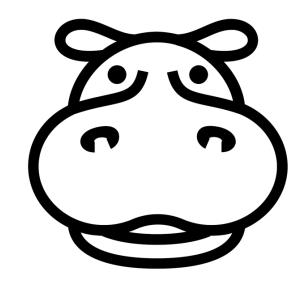
Rampant accessibility failures...



Most common types of WCAG 2 failures

WCAG Failure Type	# of home pages	% of home pages
Low contrast text	852,868	85.3%
Missing alternative text for images	679,964	68%
Empty links	581,408	58.1%
Missing form input labels	528,482	52.8%
Missing document language	329,612	33.1%
Empty buttons	250,367	25%

https://majestic.com/reports/majestic-million https://webaim.org/projects/million/



Products full of cruft...



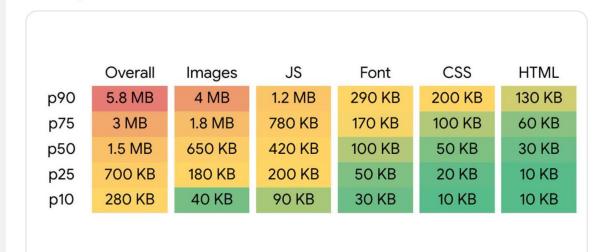


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Page Weight Percentiles: overall & by resource type

If one of these categories is super high for a site, it's often an indicator that there's "low hanging fruit" performance wins to be had by optimizing that resource type.

(Data source: @HTTPArchive, Desktop Oct'18 data)

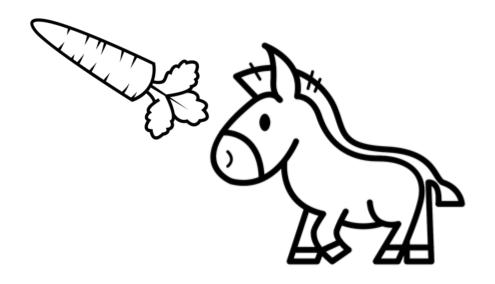




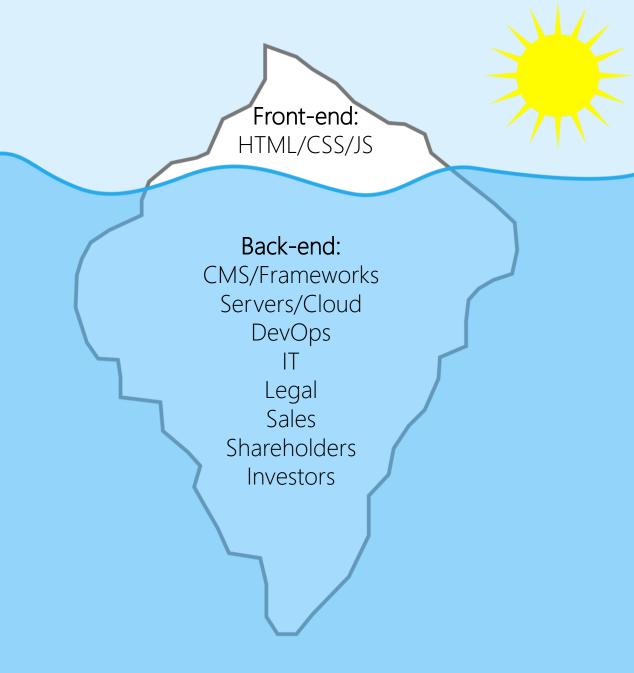








Realities of web products stack...



We're competing without knowing it...



Staying in budget (time + money)



First to Market (FTM)

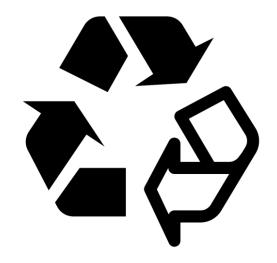


Continuous growth

Budget = reckless re-use



Staying in budget (time + money)



Let's start with a framework...

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Dylan Beattie @ @dylanbeattie · Feb 20

\$ create-react-app my-react-app

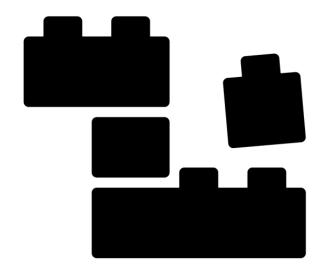
\$ cd my-react-app

\$ cloc.

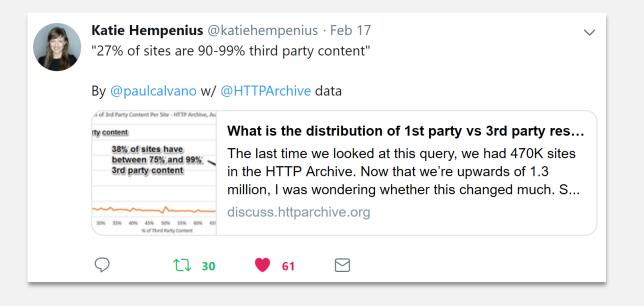
Before you even open a text editor, your project contains 1.5 million lines of code. Most of it contributed by volunteers and enthusiasts. No formal review or release process.

This is 'normal' in modern web development.

Language			comment	code
JavaScript	12193			112713
Markdown	1755	71061	2	18328
JSON	1767	523	0	13294
TypeScript	1089	4499	24967	2865
HTML	55	108	30	819
C/C++ Header	21	1148	347	595
YAML	162	146	135	512
XML	12	241	13	227
CoffeeScript	27	591	51	151
CSS	23	76	24	141
Bourne Shell	8	173	129	90
make	23	209	197	67
C++	10	100	54	47
Windows Module Definition	5	88	0	44
Python	1	81	175	35
D	5	0	0	7
Handlebars	2	10	0	5
Bourne Again Shell	2	11	1	4
TOML	1	2	0	3
Lisp	1	0	0	
DOS Batch	1	0	0	
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The web is assembled, not authored...



https://discuss.httparchive.org/t/what-is-the-distribution-of-1st-party-vs-3rd-party-resources/100/14

FTM = FML for quality



First to Market (FTM)

MVP



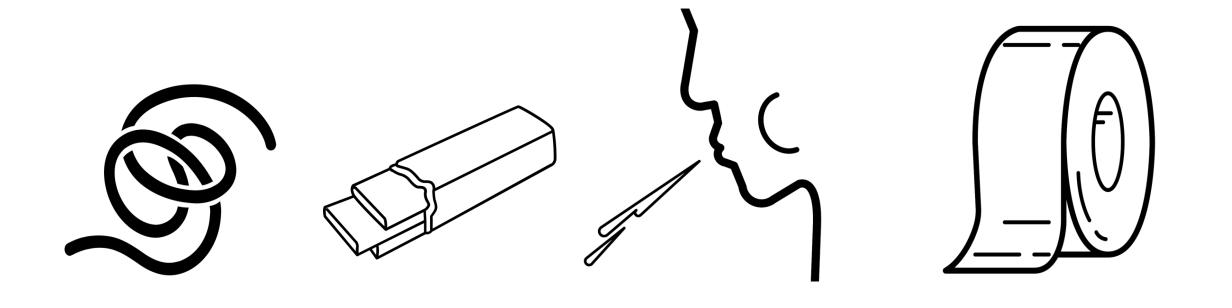
First to Market (FTM)

MVP=<u>Minimum Viable Product</u>

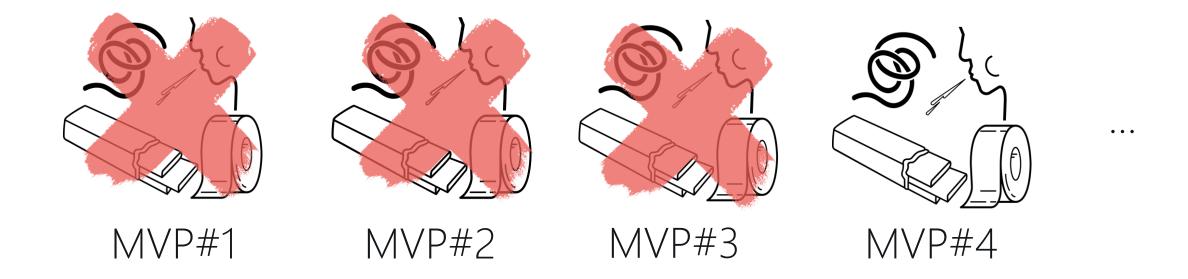


First to Market (FTM)

MVP=Most Validation Pending



A series of quick wins?



Alas, on the web...



Staying in budget (time + money)



First to Market (FTM)



Continuous growth

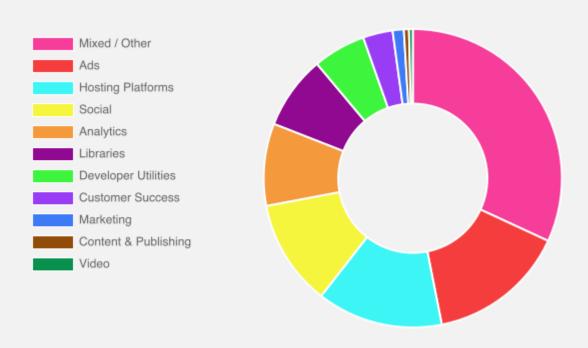
Growth = stickiness+analytics



Continuous growth



Third party slowness and cruft...



Reuse keeps budgets in check













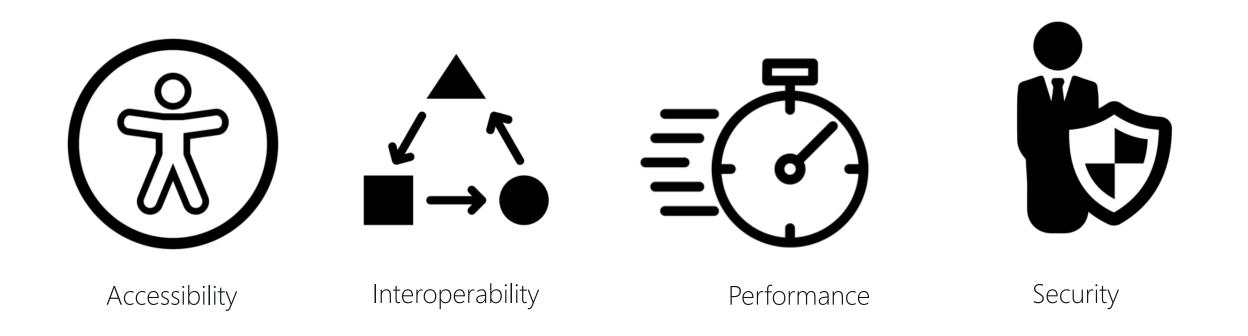
MVP

V1 (analytics enabled) V2 (marketing features) V3 (beefier cloud)

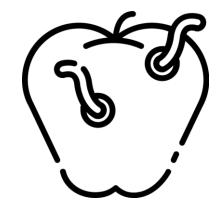
V4 (enterprise, international rollout)

PANIC!!!!!

Let's hire some consultants to help us with...

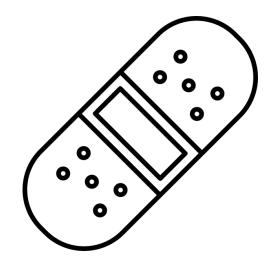


Because when it costs money, it is >important



The web is a platform ripe for abuse.

- The web is defined as forgiving to developer error
- Browsers can't break the web
- Past browser competition = nonstandard APIs live products rely on.
- Cruft and security attack vectors
- We can't stop developers from being sloppy...



Patches and "solutions"...

- AMP
- Safari limiting JavaScript
- Chrome's "Never Slow Mode"
- All kind of blockers





What can we do?



















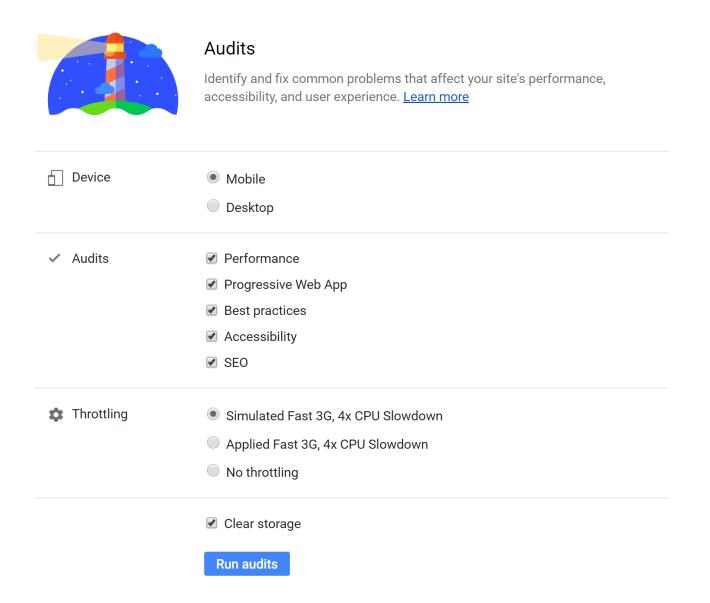




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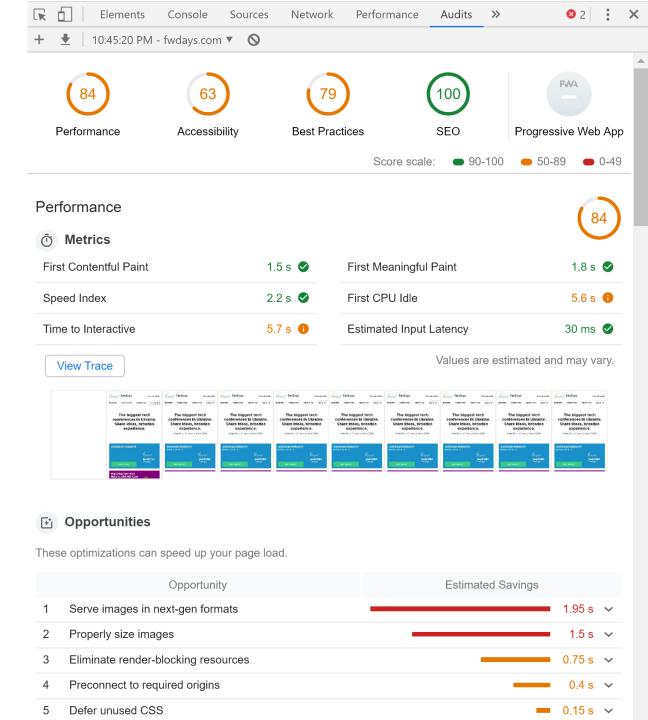


We have browser tool audits...





Auditing report



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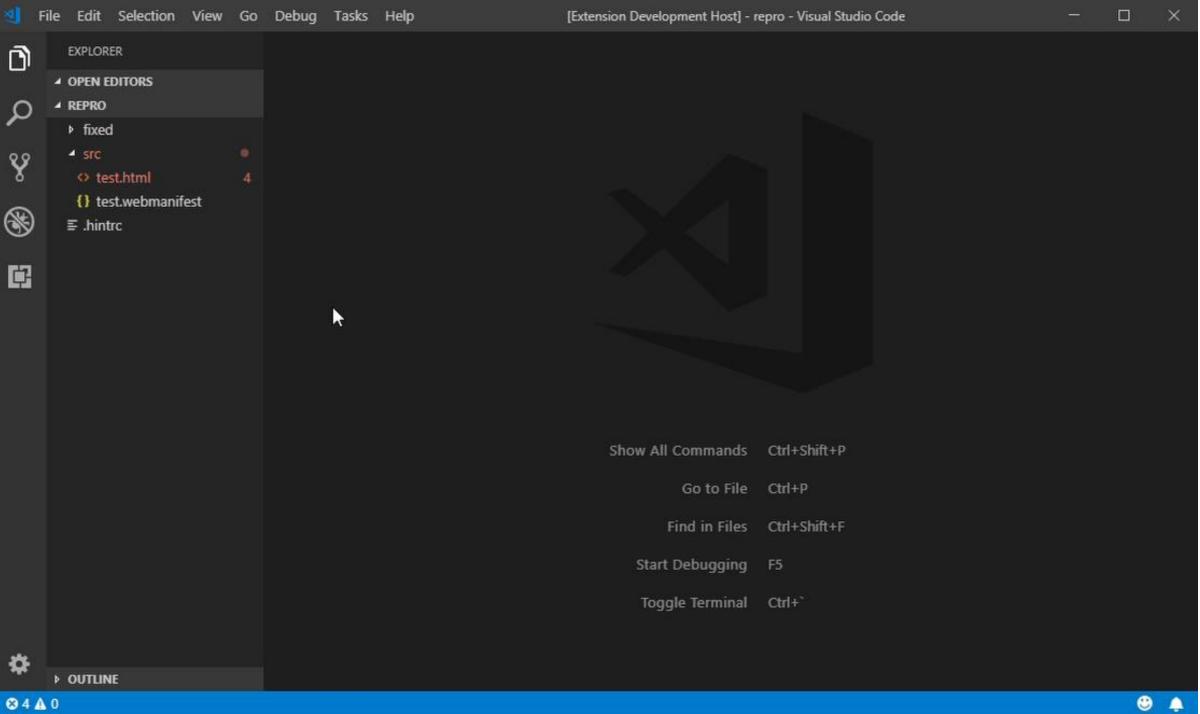
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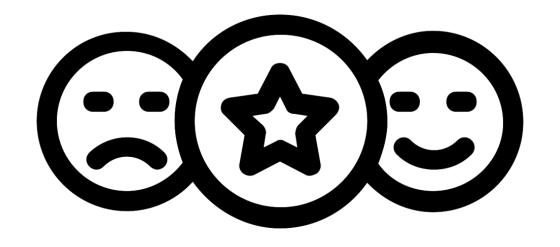
Security %

- disown-opener: 13 hints
- no-protocol-relative-urls: 3 hints
- + sri: 22 hints
- strict-transport-security: 51 hints
- (+) validate-set-cookie-header: 7 hints
- (+) x-content-type-options: 41 hints
- ssllabs: 1 hints



webhint version: 4.4.1 Configuration JSON **HINTS PASSED** → ACCESSIBILITY 0/1 **HINTS PASSED** COMPATIBILITY 53 4/7 **HINTS PASSED** PWA 3/4 **HINTS PASSED** PERFORMANCE 216 1/7 **HINTS PASSED PITFALLS** 0/0 0 **PASSED HINTS SECURITY** 3/10 138





Give feedback and demand features from browsers, frameworks and tools...



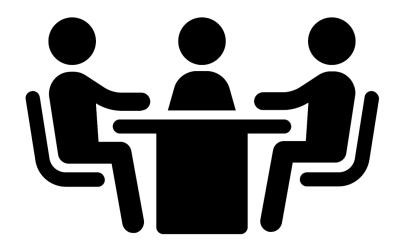
Stop arguing amongst ourselves which technology is better



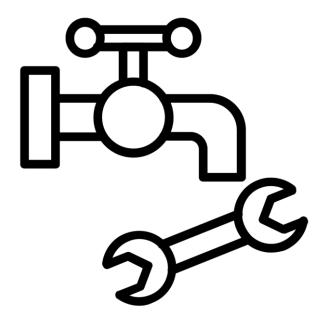
Contribute to products people use (CMS, build tools, frameworks...)



Understand why people do things wrong before telling them off...



Earn our seat at the table where stupid decisions are being made



The web is plumbing, not the new hotness...



Power to the next generation!



Thanks!

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