

**designers  
&  
hackers**

goal:

motivate you to

pay attention to design

when developing

design?

usability + accessibility

interaction design

information architecture

information design, organization, findability

visual design

*“to contrive for a purpose, to project for the attainment of a particular end”*

*- The Century Dictionary, 1911*

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creative problem solving

process

# explore the challenge

**DEFINE THE GOAL**

GATHER DATA

DEFINE THE SCOPE





**prepare for action**

FIND AN OPTIMAL SOLUTION

PREPARE TO IMPLEMENT IT

# principles

by Mozilla (w/ Alex Faaborg), based on work  
by Donald Norman, Jakob Nielsen, & Alan  
Cooper

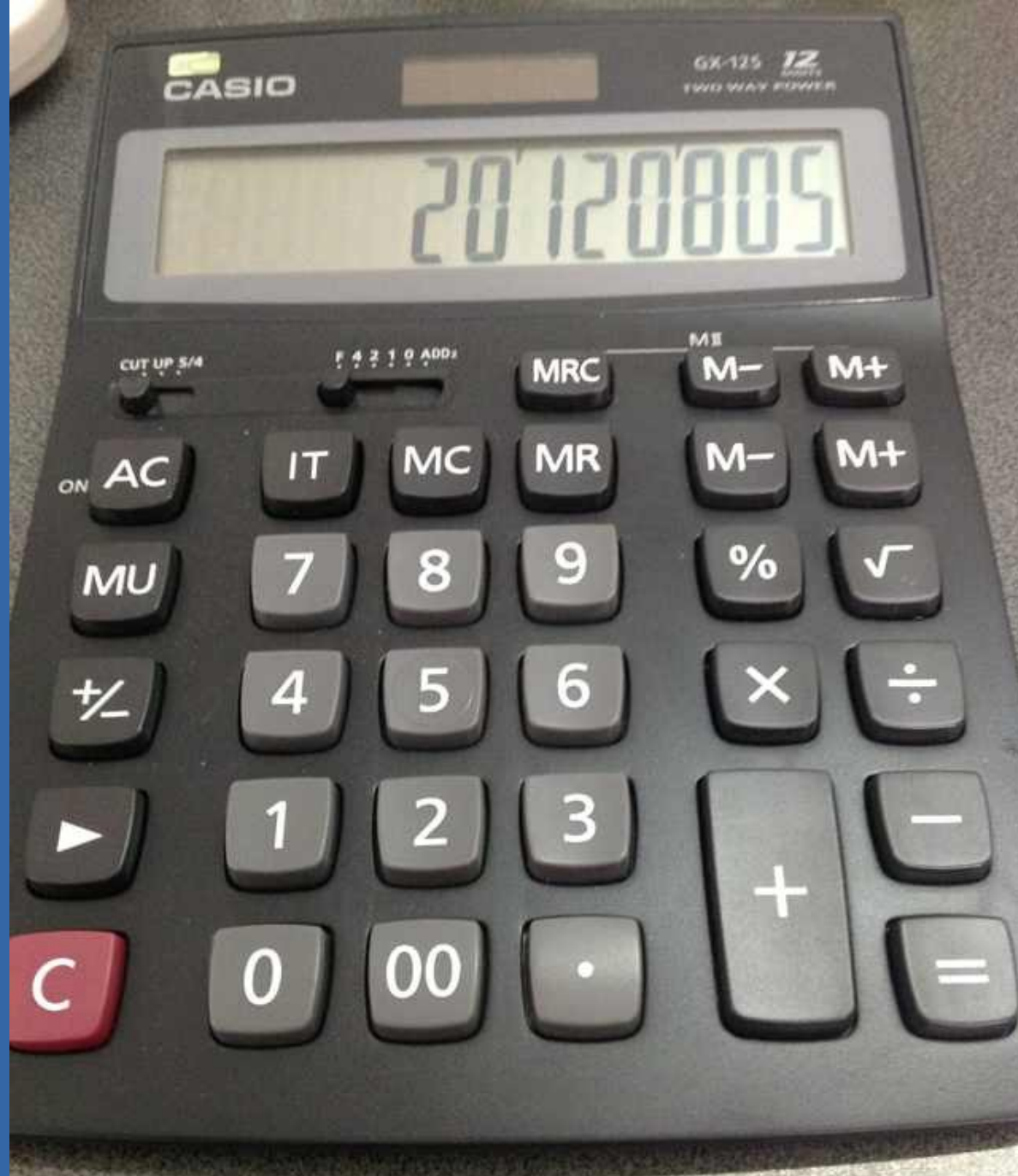
**SPEEDY**

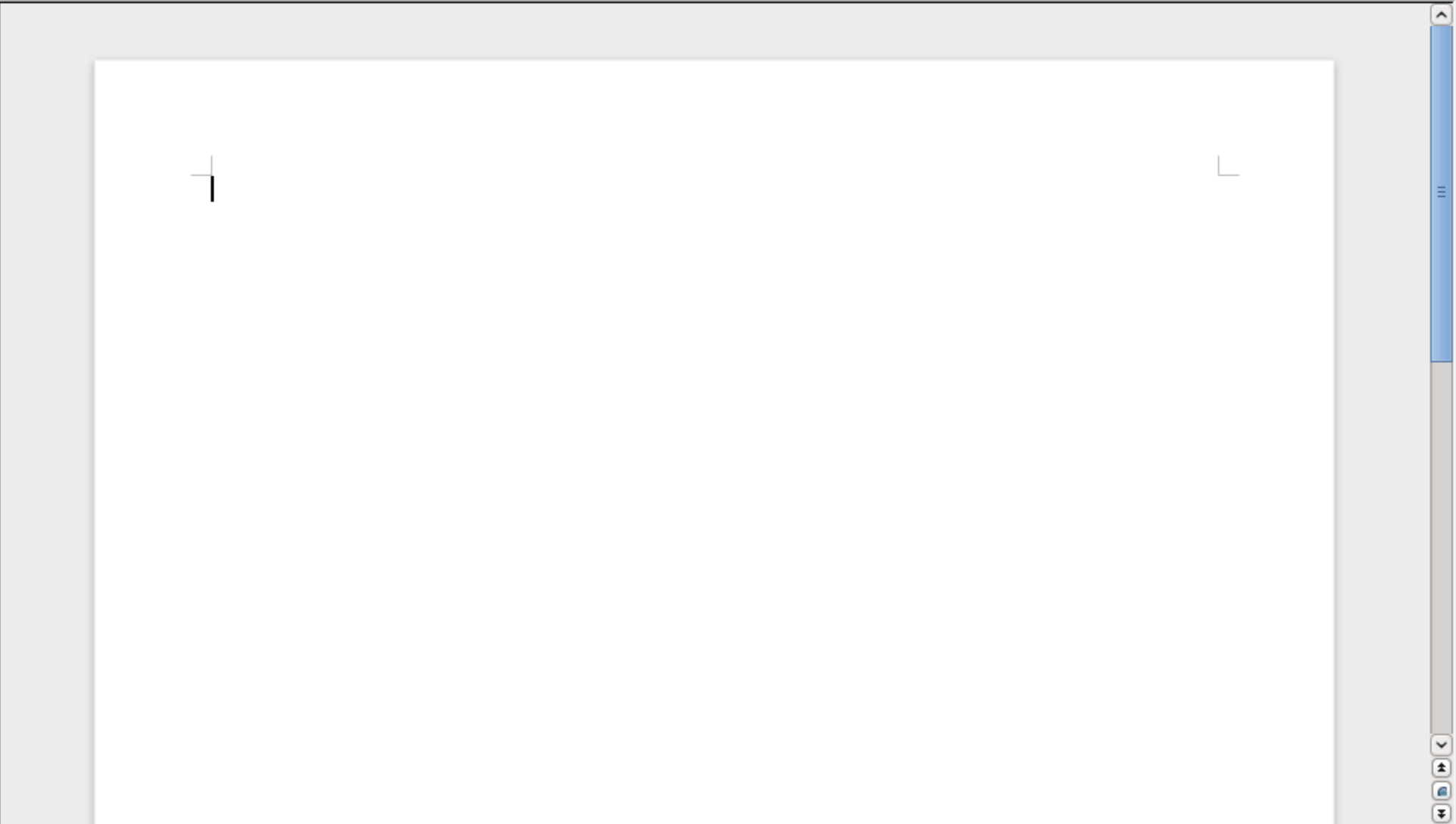
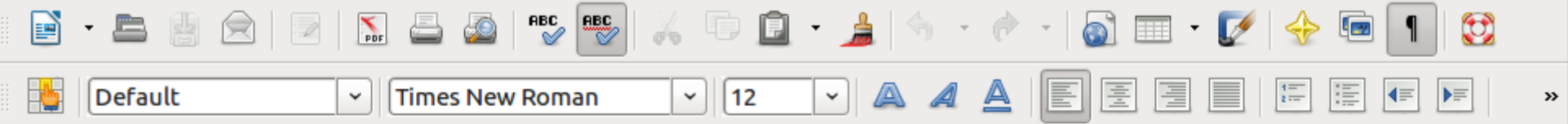
TIME FOR MOVEMENT =

$$\text{DEVICE LAG} + \frac{\text{DEVICE SPEED}}{\log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{\text{DISTANCE}}{\text{TARGET WIDTH ALONG AXIS OF MOTION}} \right)}$$

fitts's law

ux-visual-hierarchy





TIME TO CHOOSE =

$$\text{MENTAL PROCESS SPEED} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{PROBABILITY OF CHOICE } i \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{\text{PROBABILITY OF CHOICE } i} + 1 \right)$$

hick's law



ux-minimalism

OpenShot - Default Project

File Edit Title View Help



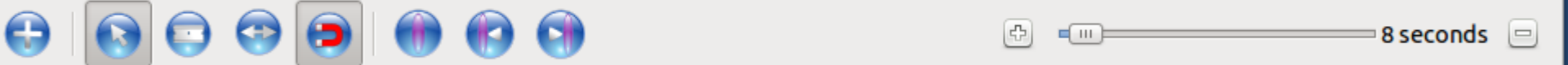
Project Files Transitions Effects

Show All Video Audio Image

Thumb File Length Label

Choose a Video or Audio File to Begin

Video Preview

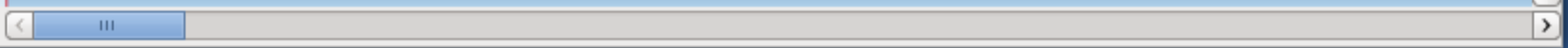


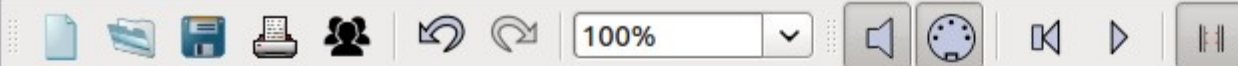
8 seconds

00:00:00:000 00:00:08:000 00:00:16:000 00:00:24:000 00:00:32:000 00:00:40:000 00:00:48:000 00:00:56:000 00:01:04:000

Track 2

Track 1





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Piano

Pno.

Palettes

- Grace Notes
- Drums
- Clefs
- Key Signatures
- Time Signatures
- Barlines
- Lines
- Arpeggio & Glissando
- Breath & Pauses
- Brackets
- Articulations & Ornaments
- Accidentals
- Dynamics
- Fingering
- Note Heads
- Tremolo
- Repeats
- Breaks & Spacer
- Beam Properties
- Symbols





Slides

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Reset Slide Layout

Normal Outline Notes Handout Slide Sorter

**designers & hackers**

Tasks View

Master Pages

Layouts

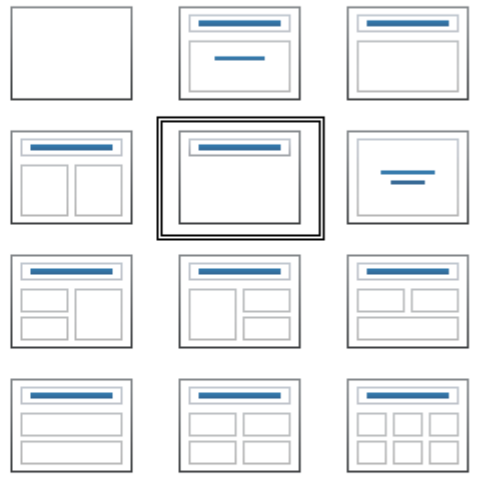


Table Design

Custom Animation

Slide Transition



ux-efficiency



Styles and Formatting

- Complimentary close
- Default
- First line indent
- Hanging indent
- Heading
- Heading 1**
- Heading 2
- Heading 3
- Heading 4
- Heading 5
- Heading 6
- Heading 7
- Heading 8
- Heading 9
- Heading 10
- List Indent
- Marginalia
- Signature
- Text body
- Text body indent

Automatic

- New Style from Selection
- Update Style**
- Load Styles...

Test

Header (Default) +

Normal text ▾

- ✓ Normal text
- Title** ▶
- Subtitle*
- Heading 1**
- Heading 2**
- Heading 3**
- ⚙️ Options ▶

Apply 'Title'

Update 'Title' to match 🖱️

Test

ux-interruption







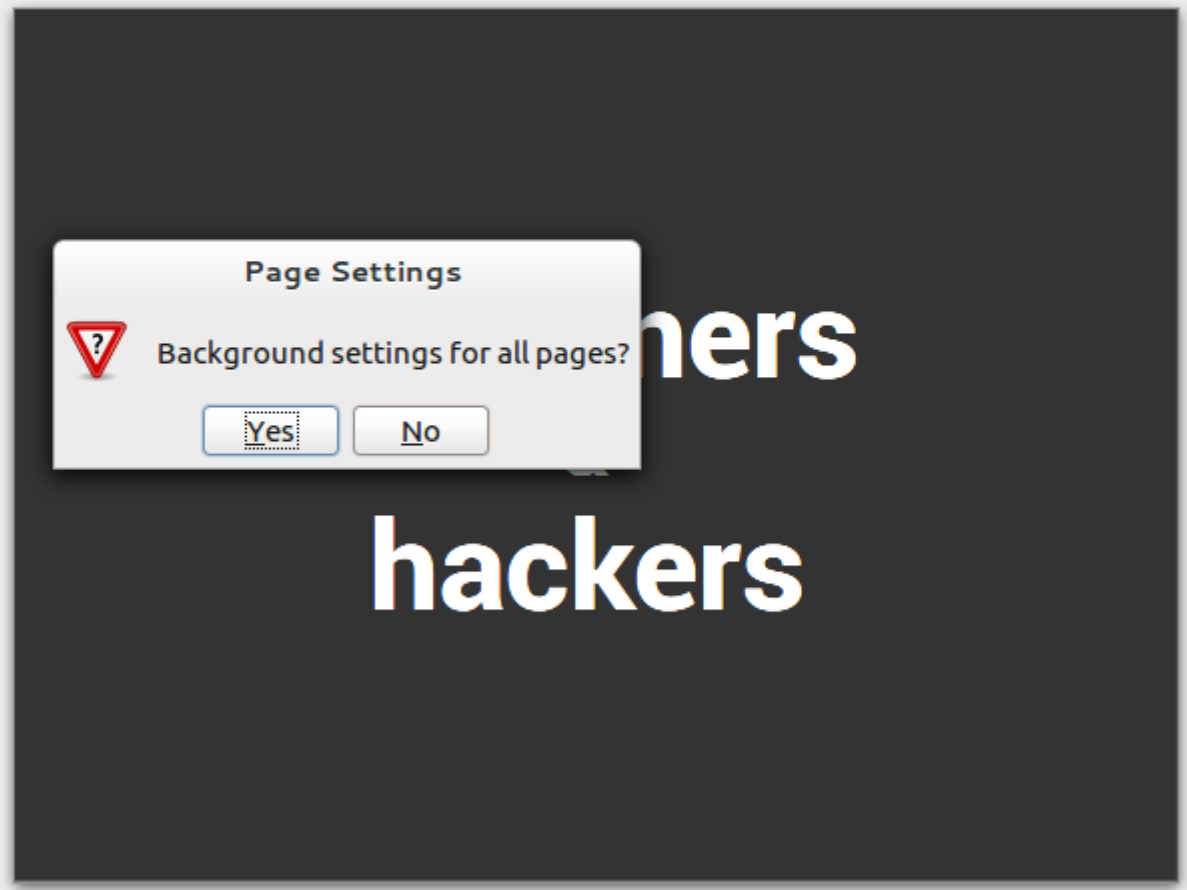
Slides

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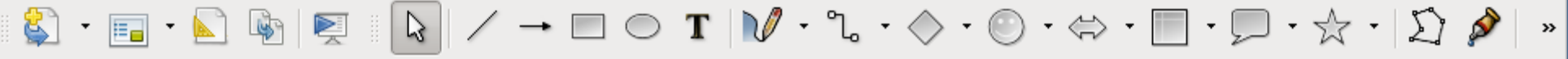
3 design?

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**Page Settings**

 Background settings for all pages?





Untitled presentation

Start presentation

Comments

Share

File Edit View Insert Slide Format Arrange Table Help All changes saved



**Background** [Close]

Color

Image

Reset to theme

add title

subtitle

Click to add notes

ux-consistency

# Customize

Menus Keyboard **Toolbars** Events

## Add Commands

To add a command to a toolbar, select the category and then the command. Then drag the command to the Commands list of the Toolbars tab page in the Customize dialog.

### Category

- Application
- Templates
- View
- Edit
- Options
- BASIC
- Insert
- Documents**
- Format
- Navigate
- Controls
- Drawing
- Modify
- Graphic

### Commands

- Alignment**
- Apply Style
- Chart
- Close
- Color Replacer
- Crop Picture
- Delete All Comments
- Delete Comment
- Delete Contents

- Add
- Close
- Help

### Description

Modifies the alignment of selected objects.

OK Cancel Help Reset

File E



Slides

1

2

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Find



Documents

- Places
- Search
  - Recently Used
  - ia
  - Desktop
  - File System
  - Documents**
  - Music
  - Pictures
  - Videos
  - Downloads
  - Ubuntu One

Name	Size	Modified
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All files

File type

Read-only

Version:

Cancel

Open

**SELF-EXPLANATORY**

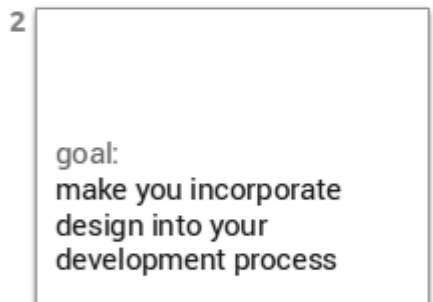
ux-affordance







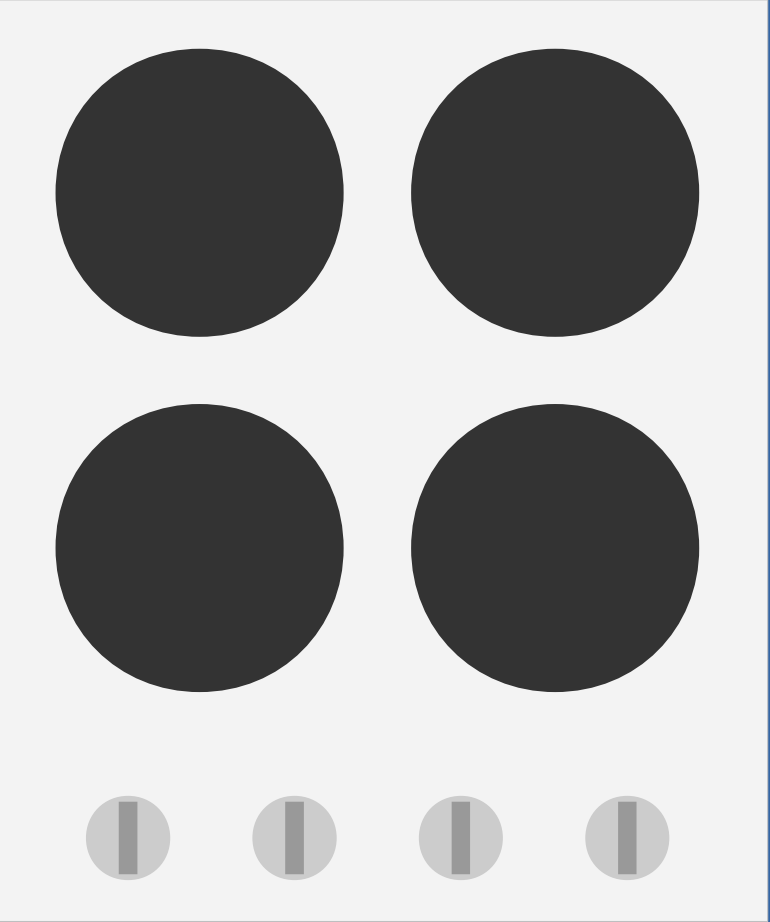
Slides



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ux-natural-mapping





Slides

user research analyze (make tables)  
DEFINE THE SCOPE  
what to solve restrictions

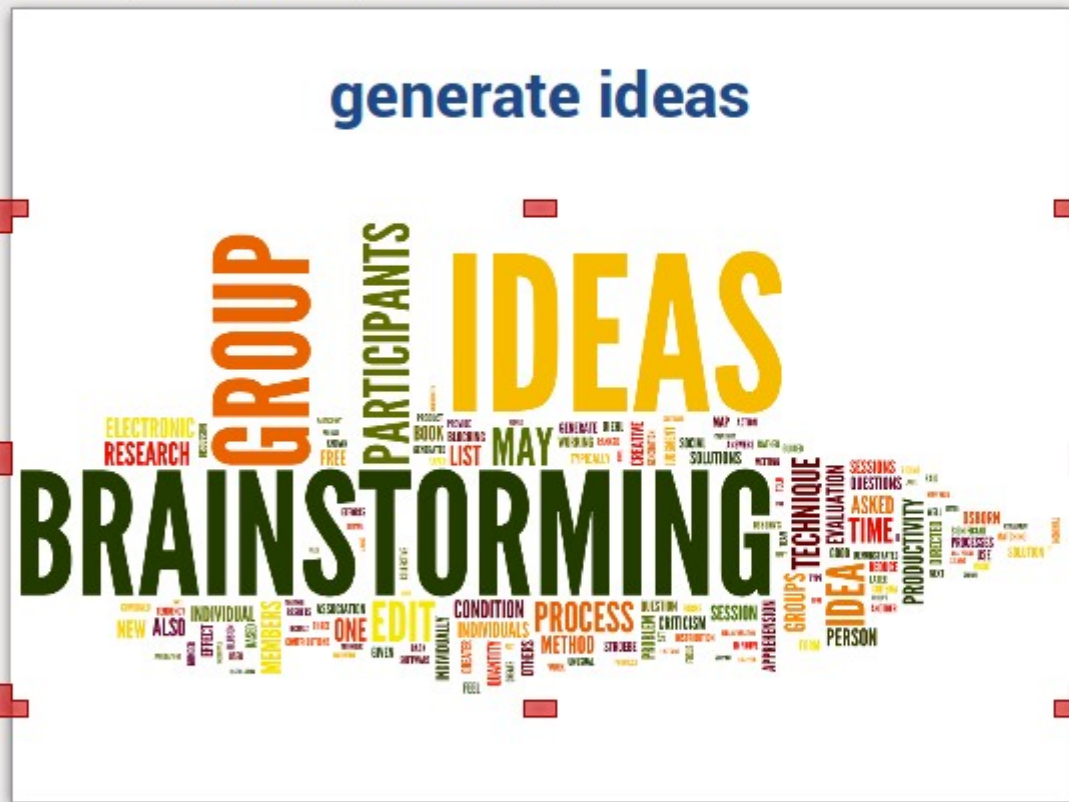
9 generate ideas

10 prepare for action

FIND AN OPTIMAL SOLUTION  
PREPARE TO IMPLEMENT IT

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Graphics

Picture

Type Options Wrap Hyperlink Picture **Crop** Borders Background Macro

Crop

Keep scale

Keep image size

Left 0.00"

Top 0.00"

Right 0.00"

Bottom 0.00"

Scale

Width 49%

Height 49%

Image size

Width 6.93"

Height 3.16"



14.23" x 6.50" (96 PPI)

Original Size

OK

Cancel

Help

Reset



Default



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ux-feedback



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GHI

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SEC

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DEF

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PQRS

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TUV

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WXYZ

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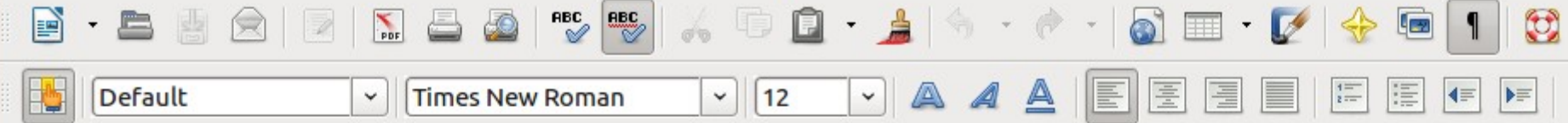
3 **design?**

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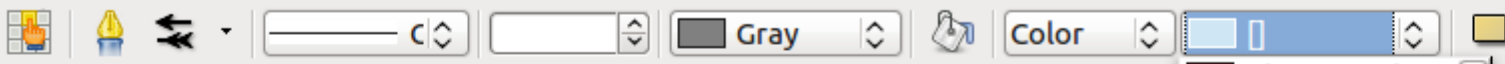
ux-discovery



Styles and Formatting

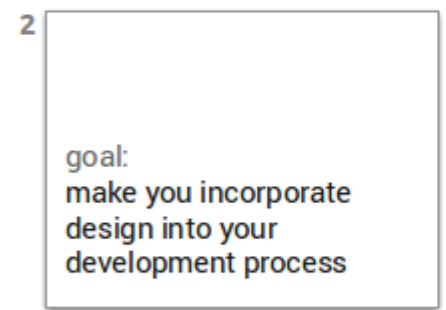
- Complimentary close
- Default **New...** **Modify...**
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- Heading 5
- Heading 6
- Heading 7
- Heading 8
- Heading 9
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- List Indent
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Automatic



- Ubuntu red
- Chart 1
- Chart 2
- Chart 3
- Chart 4
- Chart 5
- Chart 6
- Chart 7
- Chart 8

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Find



Options - LibreOffice - Colors

- ▼ LibreOffice
  - User Data
  - General
  - Memory
  - View
  - Print
  - Paths
  - Colors
  - Fonts
  - Security
  - Appearance
  - Accessibility
  - Java
- ▶ Load/Save
- ▶ Language Settings
- ▶ LibreOffice Impress
- ▶ LibreOffice Base
- ▶ Charts
- ▶ Internet

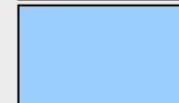
Properties

Name

Color



Add

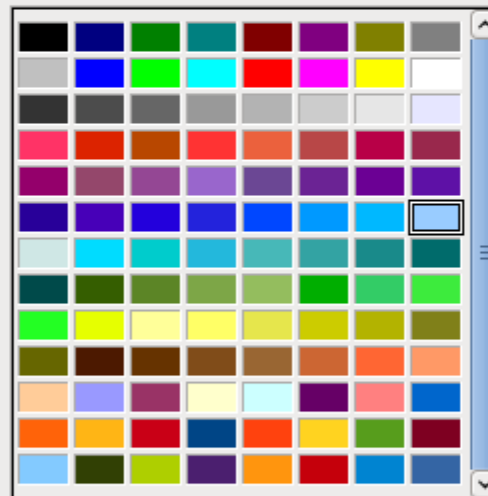


Modify

Edit...

Delete...

Table: standard



RGB

R

G

B

OK

Cancel

Help

Revert



Find

ux-jargon



Roboto

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### Paste Special

Source: Unknown source

OK

Cancel

Help

Selection

- EditEngineFormat
- Unformatted text
- Formatted text [RTF]

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goal:  
make you  
design in  
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**ERRORPROOF**



ux-undo

ux-error-recovery

LibreOffice 3.5




Press 'Start Recovery' to start the recovery process of the documents listed below.

The 'Status' column shows whether the document could be recovered.

Recovering document:

Status of recovered documents:

Document Name	Status
 hackers+designers.odp	Not recovered yet

Start Recovery >

Cancel

Press 'Start Recovery' to start the recovery process of the documents listed below.


The 'Status' column shows whether the document could be recovered.

Recovering document


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Status of recovered

Document Name	Status
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**LibreOffice 3.5**

 Are you sure you want to cancel the LibreOffice document recovery?

ux-error-prevention



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ux-mode-error







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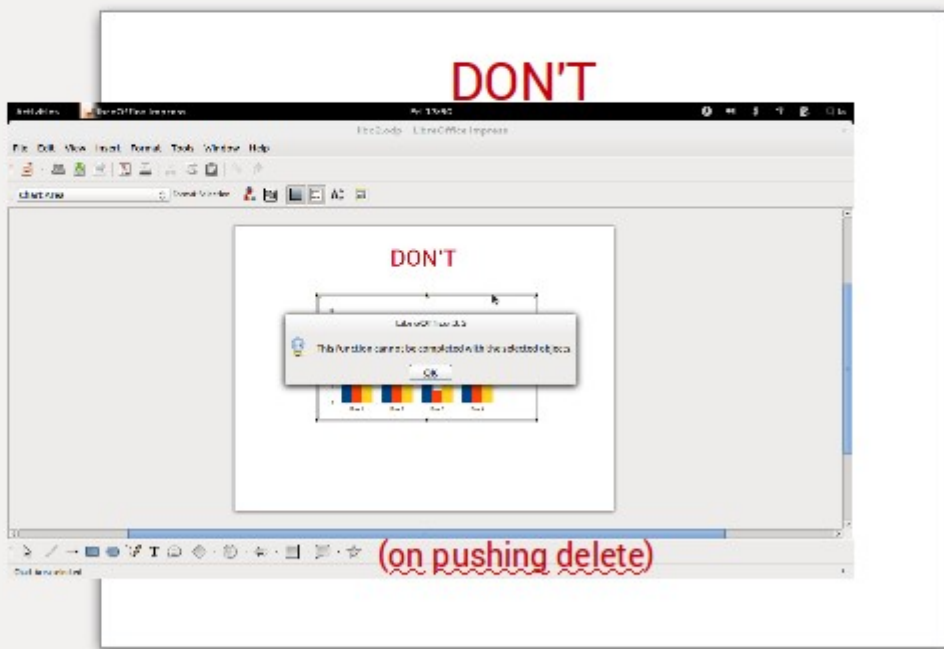







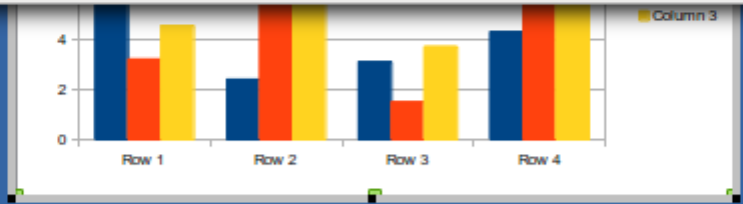
Chart Area

Format Selection



**LibreOffice 3.5**

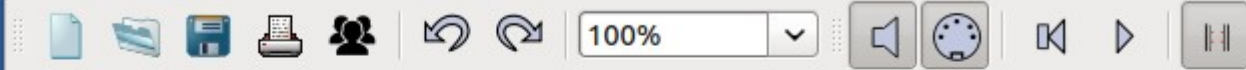
 This function cannot be completed with the selected objects.



ux-implementation-level  
have a good conceptual model

"A good conceptual model allows us to predict the effects of our actions. Without a good model we operate by rote, blindly; we do operations as we were told to do them; we can't fully appreciate why, what effects to expect, or what to do if things go wrong."

– Donald A. Norman,  
*The Design of Everyday Things*



Concert Pitch N [Musical symbols: treble clef, notes, rests, accidentals] [Color-coded numbers: 3, 2, 4]

Untitled\* x

Piano

MuseScore: Part List dialog box. Includes text input 'Piano', checkboxes for Mute, Solo, Drumset, and a Sound dropdown set to 'Piano 1'. Four circular volume/pan sliders are labeled Vol, Pan, Rev, and Cho.

Pno.

Musical staff for Piano (Pno.) starting at measure 19. The staff is currently empty.

Palettes

- Grace Notes
- Drums
- Clefs
- Key Signatures
- Time Signatures
- Barlines
- Lines
- Arpeggio & Glissando
- Breath & Pauses
- Brackets
- Articulations & Ornaments
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# Paragraph

Indents & Spacing Alignment Tabs

## Indent

Before text 0.00"

After text 0.00"

First line 0.00"

## Spacing

Above paragraph 5.00"

Below paragraph 5.00"

## Line spacing

Single of



OK

Cancel

Help

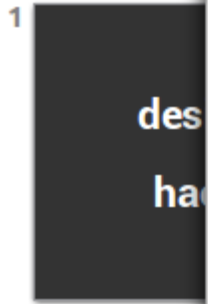
Reset

File Edit View



Roboto

## Slides



make you incorporate  
design into your  
development process



ux-control



ux-tone

what we do



analyses



whiteboards



playgrounds

user research

## Summary

Design a pithy idea workflow.

## Status

<b>Call for Proposals</b>	Analyzing Proposals	Shaping Tentative Design	Implementation in Progress	Implemented
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## Scope

In Scope	Out of Scope
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easy to browse through</li> <li>• Terse phrases</li> <li>• Space for multiple proposals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development tracking</li> </ul>

## Relevant Bugs

- [Bug example](#) 🛑

## Definition of Terms

- **Whiteboard:** A wiki page for the purpose of developing a design idea into a full-blown specification.
- **Scope:** A list of qualities the final design should have. The scope should be broad enough to restrict proposals as little as possible.
- **Bug:** A software flaw that produces an incorrect or unexpected result.
- **Persona:** A made-up person who represents our common user. The way he uses LibreOffice helps shape the way we design our feature.

## Discussion

- [LibreOffice Design List](#) 🔗

## Personas

- **Mr. Persona:** A made-up user that represents the norm we want to design for. He does tasks similar to those of a

## Proposals

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### Proposal by Mirek2

#### Mockups



Whiteboard in "Read" mode



Whiteboard in "Edit" mode

#### Description

##### Read mode

In this mode, the whiteboard can be read by anyone.

##### Edit mode

In this mode, the whiteboard can be edited in wiki markup by signed-in users.

### Proposal by Monica

#### Mockups



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## Proposal by **Monica**

### Mockups



Space for another designer's proposal

## Description

### Adding proposals

Each designer should be able to add his proposal under the "Proposals" category.

## Relevant Art

- [Gnome Whiteboards](#)

## Open Problems

### Presentation of Slide Notes

In the same view as slide thumbnails	In a separate view
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allows the user to see the slide as well as the notes that accompany it simultaneously.</li> <li>• Doesn't require a tab bar (useful if we want to use the slide gesture to advance slides)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make it possible to present a bigger preview of the slide and more of the notes.</li> </ul>

**Final decision:** In the same view as slide thumbnails

### Advancement of Slides

The following are non-exclusive, and we may choose a combination of solutions.

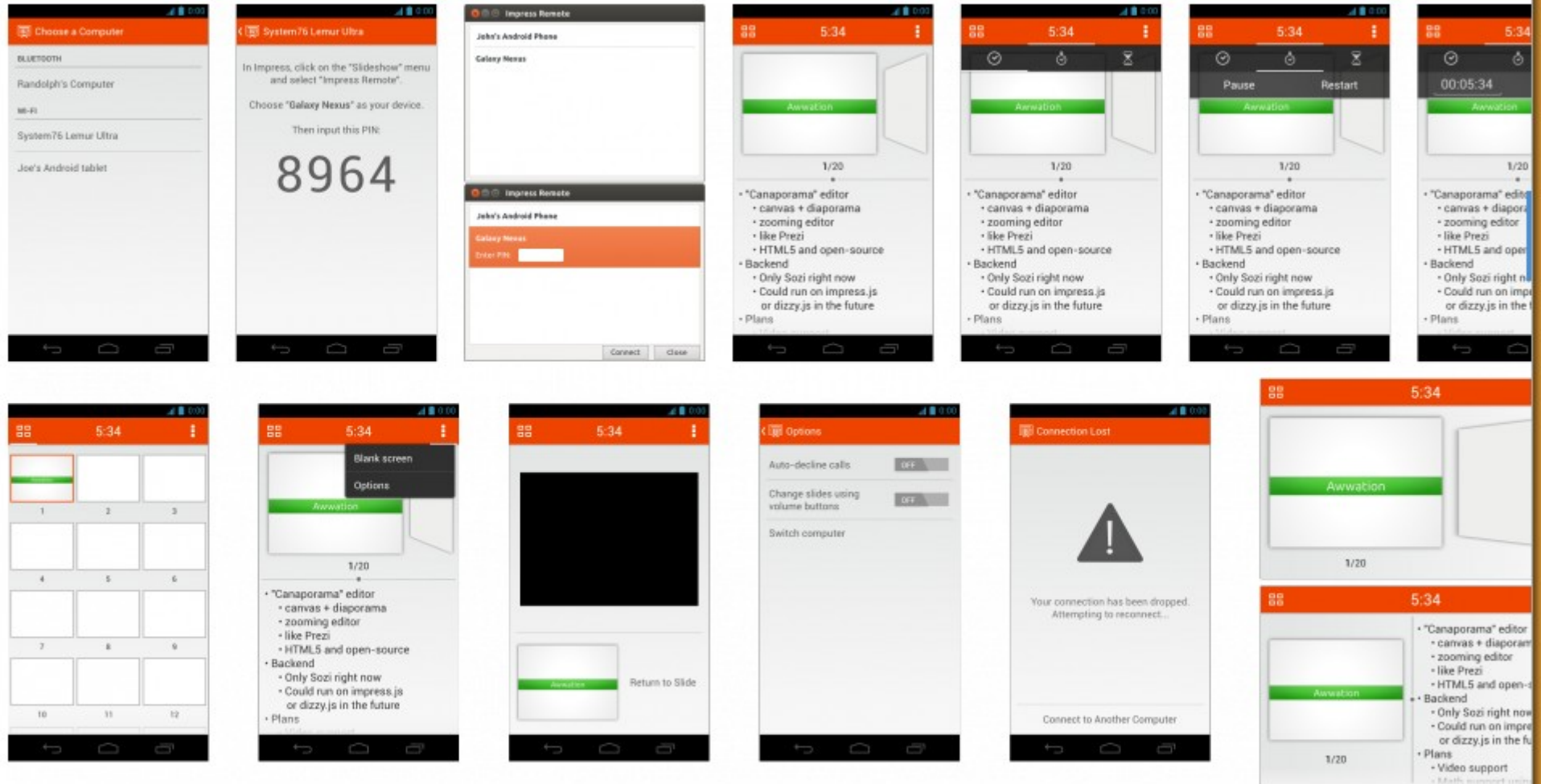
Using on-screen buttons	Using a slide gesture	By tapping on the slide thumbnail or notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allows the use of a tab bar for a slide gesture.</li> <li>• Doesn't have to be explained to the user in advance.</li> <li>• Makes it possible to navigate both back and forward.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes it possible to advance the slide without looking at the screen.</li> <li>• Makes it possible to navigate both back and forward.</li> <li>• Intuitive to touch users, who use the same gestures for moving between photos.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Familiar to desktop users</li> </ul>

**Final decision:** Using a slide gesture

### Portrait vs. Landscape Mode

Show the same info	Use different views
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consistent</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fast view change</li> <li>• Presenter doesn't have to look at the screen to change</li> </ul>

## Tentative Design



### Connecting to a computer

If the connection was forcefully disconnected (Via the modal bar) after the last time the remote was used one should need to enter a new PIN. Otherwise the app should try to reconnect using the last settings. Same goes for the PC.

The first screen the app shows is the one to select computers that the cell can connect to via wlan or bluetooth. Then the user can generate a PIN on the phone and enter it on the PC. Those set-up screens can be reached via the



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WIKI Design

GOOGLE+ LibreOffice Design

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Toolbars docked to the sides: #f0f0f0 (solid)



Floating toolbars: #ffffff to #f0f0f0 (gradient)

Toolbars docked to the bottom: #f0f0f0 (solid)

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