



Designing software
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JASIG Unconference Lightning Talks

Dashboards, Tabs, Searches, and Window States – A User-centric Approach
based on a loose affiliation of ideas

Build Your Own Dashboard

- User creates a *Dashboard* tab
 - User populates the tab with selected portlets
 - User arranges portlets
 - Lots of portlets
 - Some as cameos
 - Some as titles
 - Some in summary state
 - Some hidden?
 - Scenario: user operates dashboard
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Required Function

- Lots of window states
 - User can set initial window state for each portlet
 - User can easily select window state
 - Applications make good use of window states
 - Cameo
 - Summary
 - Detail
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Useful Window States

- Hidden
 - Title
 - Cameo
 - Summary
 - Detailed
 - Focused
 - Detached
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Dashboard Navigation

- Portlets in various window states
- Tabs
 - Mutually exclusive
 - Limited in number
 - Single level
- No shortcuts

Content Search

- Space of all subscribe portlets
- Space of all unsubscribed portlets

Why are they different?

Why all this?

User confronts:

- 500-portlet universe
 - Much finer portlet granularity
 - Multi-portlet application areas
 - Multiple levels of navigation
 - Navigation aids
 - Maps
 - Beacons
 - Links
 - Content search scenarios
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Questions



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