

How can personalisation improve media-related services?

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Media-related services

The media industry...



... plays on three markets

- Content market
- Consumer market
- Advertising market



Shifts in the Mass Media Value Chain (1)

The Old Way: Mass Media Value Chain

Attention of mass audience is a critical part of the value chain - demanded by advertisers, but advertising and distribution capture the most value in non-networked media. *Whoever controls these resources will most effectively aggregate attention from audiences*.



Mass Media companies are characterized by:

- Media outlet distribution such as newspaper, radio, television
- High fixed production and distribution costs
- · Slow pace of innovation
- Sells eyeballs delivered to advertising: requires mass audience
- Entering this market requires significant capital and labor investments







Shifts in the Mass Media Value Chain (2)

The New Way: New Media Value Chain

Technology and new web-based models reduce barriers to production, publishing, marketing and distribution of media. It drives growth in **competition for focused attention**. Once consolidated, *attention of consumers is now fragmented*.



New Media companies are characterized by:

- Low fixed production & distribution costs: production, search and filtering.
- Fast pace of innovation
- Audience of one is viable: Sells the right (personalization) eyeballs delivered to advertising
- Entering the market requires low capital investments
- Digital production, distribution, search and filtering





What is personalisation?



- Personalization concerns adapting to the individual needs, interests, and preferences of each user.
- Includes
 - Recommending
 - Filtering
 - Predicting





Personalisation is already here!

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How does personalisation work?



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Personalisation and media services (1)

Personalisation in mass media value chain



- Personalisation plays a role at the end of the chain
 - No change in content/media production
 - Automatic filtering of all received media based on user preferences
- Benefits: for the user only



Personalisation and media services (1)

Example: TiVo

Relies on old media distribution

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	The Real World	Wed	3/30	

Without

Thousands of programmes per day, hence hundreds of EPG pages to read to find shows

With

About ten programmes per week, automatically recorded on HD for on demand viewing

 But: only the consumer benefits from the system; solution criticized because it breaks the standard model (ad skipping, loss of attention)



Personalisation and media services (2)

Personalisation in new media value chain



Personalisation plays a role at the beginning of the chain

- Selection of a particular targeted consumer population, aggregates content for that population
- Do not need to filter received content anymore, because it fits the targeted population; personalisation as prediction
- Personalisation is THE enabler for the shift of value chains



Benefits of personalisation in this chain

- Personalisation enables greater revenue to be achieved from media assets
 - Possibility of selling more (better match between offer and demand)
 - Possibility of monetizing the long-tail, i.e. under-exploited media content (e.g. content archives where specialized content is discovered on behalf of the user)
- Personalisation achieves stickiness in services
- Personalisation can help retaining users in a very competitive market
- Can assist with targeted advertising



Example: Personalisation for the news industry



- Personalisation is part of the overall content production chain
- This enables e.g. the automatic creation of advanced personalised multimedia summaries thanks to
 - Advanced user modelling
 - Learning user preferences at different scales (e.g. long term preferences and short-term interests)





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Personalisation and media services

Personalisation enables new services

- Targeted advertising
 - Improved impact
- Personal creation of media content
 - Natural extension to blogging
 - Personal created media + narrow diffusion
 - Niche markets
 - Personalisation tools let you find the right target
- Social consumption
- True personal content delivery
 - E.g. MESH
- -> More added-value services win/win solution



Difficulties & perspectives

Technology

- Bad personalisation is worse than nothing at all!
- Technology is not mature enough
- Lack of tools
- User acceptance
 - Privacy

