

Linking Your Web Site

- •What impact does it have on your site?
- •Internal vs. External.







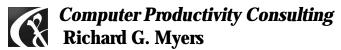
Points to Remember

External (backward) links

- Import value to your site.
- Bring traffic.
- Help search engines find you.
- Boost rank

Internal links

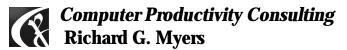
- Rearrange page rank.
- Boost rank.
- Aid visitors to navigate your site.





Points to Remember

- Text adds focus
 - Anchor text.
 - Alt tags on links.
 - Aids in ranking algorithms.
 - Should relate to target page content.
- Direct external links to internal pages.





Create your own!



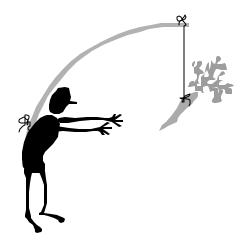
- Article marketing
 - Write articles for other sites that will publish your link.
- Press releases
 - Many businesses can issue press releases about new developments.
- Blogging
 - Create a blog that is read by others and refer to your own site.
- Usenet
 - User groups can sometimes be used to create links (but check the group rules first!)
- Forums
 - Participate in forums where you might have an opportunity to refer to your own site (but be careful about over-using or abusing this source)
- eBay
 - List your products or services to increase your visibility.
- Ofoto
 - Photo sites can be useful locations for posting pictures that contain links to your site.





Anchor text emphasis

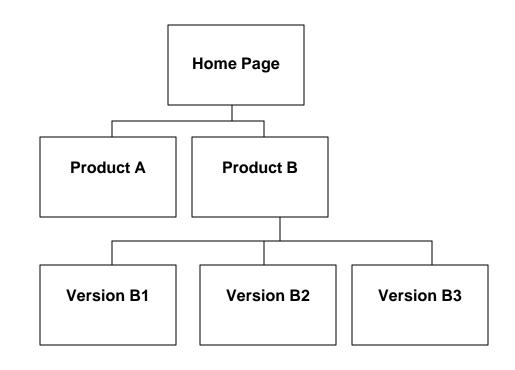
- "Google bombing".
- Internal linking to promote emphasis.





Linking alters the PageRank

- Imagine a small site with this structure.
- Examine the base page values.





Linking Changes Page Ranks

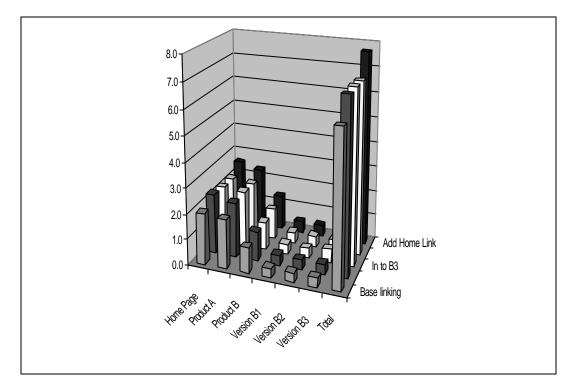
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Product A	1.92106730	2.15796460	2.20060020	2.14961020	2.38650740
Product B	0.99785460	1.15149700	1.10886100	1.22877020	1.38241260
Version B1	0.36204410	0.39469310	0.38562200	0.41111370	0.44376270
Version B2	0.36204410	0.39469310	0.38563300	0.41111370	0.44376270
Version B3	0.36204410	0.39469310	0.51313300	0.41111370	0.44376270
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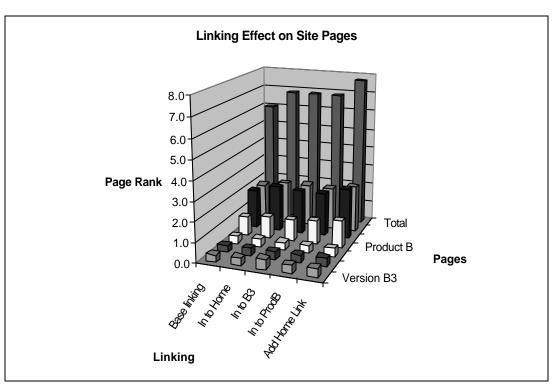
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- Overall value continues to increase as more links are added.





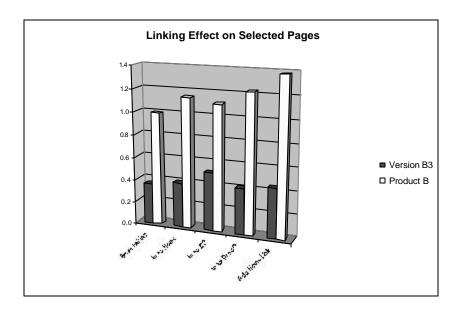
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Link Effect on Selected Pages

- Note impact on Product page!
- Rank increased no matter where the link was added.
- Page receiving the link increased most.
- Value was then distributed through site.





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End of Presentation

Questions?



Don't forget to complete your class evaluation form and turn it in at the back of the class!

We need to clear the room promptly at 9:00 p.m. so the staff can go home.

Thanks for your cooperation.

