Qualitative Online Research

Methods and Innovations



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Fields of Practical Online Research

About the Web

Internet Monitors (offline)

Pop up-Test
Quantitative Webtest
Internet Radar

Qualitative Webtest

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Consumer Research
Customer Satisfaction
Employee Surveys etc.

Copy Tests

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Conventional Focus Groups

Online Focus Group
Bulletin Board Discussion

<u>Copy Tests</u> <u>Concept Tests</u>

Online Focus Group
Bulletin Board Discussion
Weblog/Internet Diary



Interview and Observation

Participating

Observing/analyzing

Synchronous

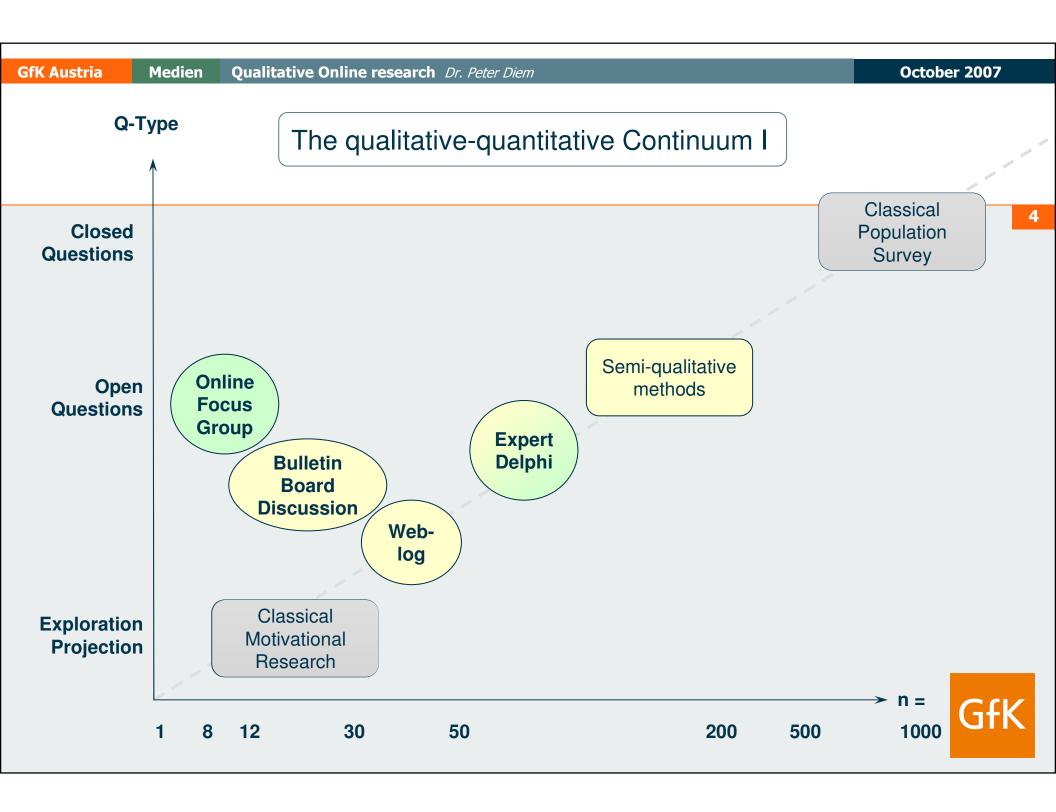
Online Focus Group Messenger Chat Video/Audio Conferencing

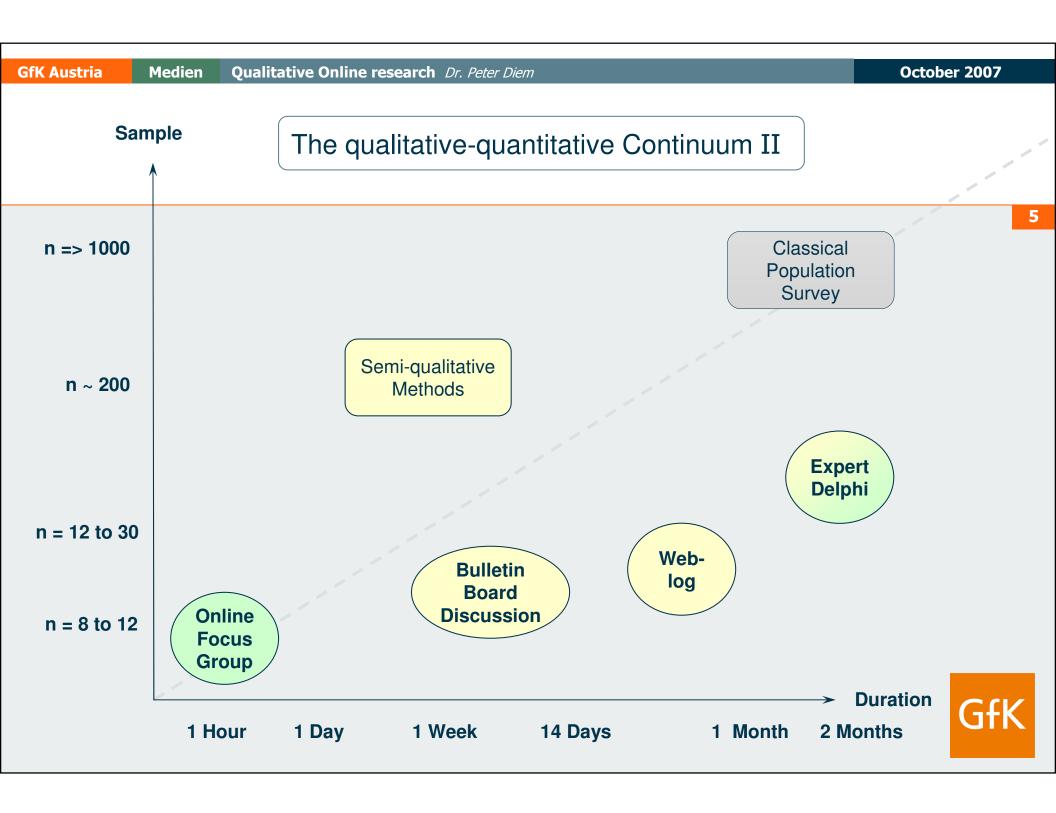
Online Focus Group

Asynchronous

Bulletin Board Discussion Mailing List Discussion Newsgroup Weblog (Online Diary)

Bulletin Board Discussion Mailing List Discussion Newsgroup Weblog (Online Diary) Website Analysis Server Log





Online Express – the quick Advertizing Copy Test



The Poster Test

Periodical test with small sample (n=200)

DAS BESTE NETZ SIND SIE. Wie gefällt Ihnen dieses Plakat ? Drücken Sie das bitte durch eine Punktezahl aus - von 0 = sehr schlecht bis 10 = sehr gut" Dazwischen können Sie fein abstufen.					
	Meine Punkte:			Rating	
	Hier ist eine Liste von Eigenschaften. Haken Sie bitte jene an, die Ihrer Meinung r	nach auf das Plaka	t zutreffen.		
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Was fällt Ihn Antwort:	en zu diesem Plakat alles ein ? Was finden Sie gut, was finden Sie weniger gut ? D	rücken Sie dieses	bitte in ein paar V	Vorten aus.	

Open question



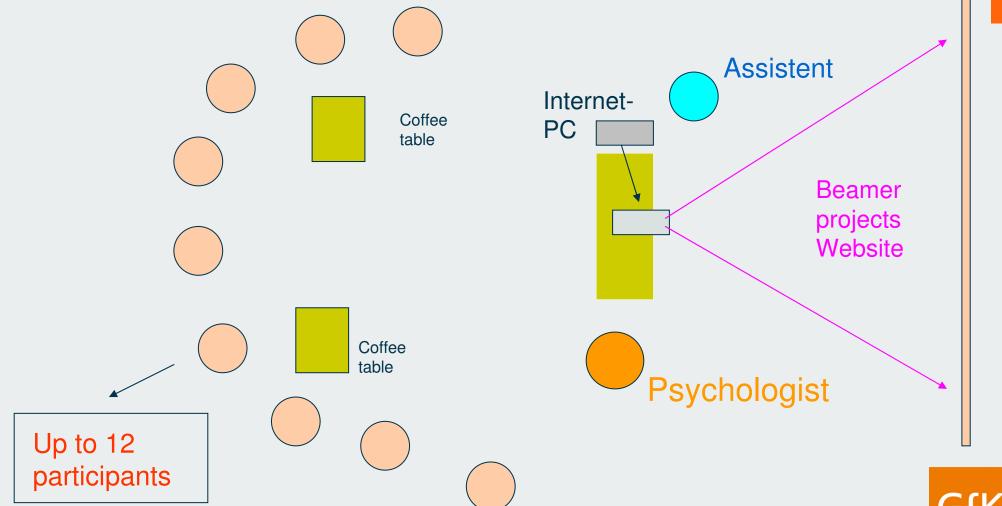
The Qualitative Webtest:

A one-to-one psychological usability check

Optimizing a **Website**



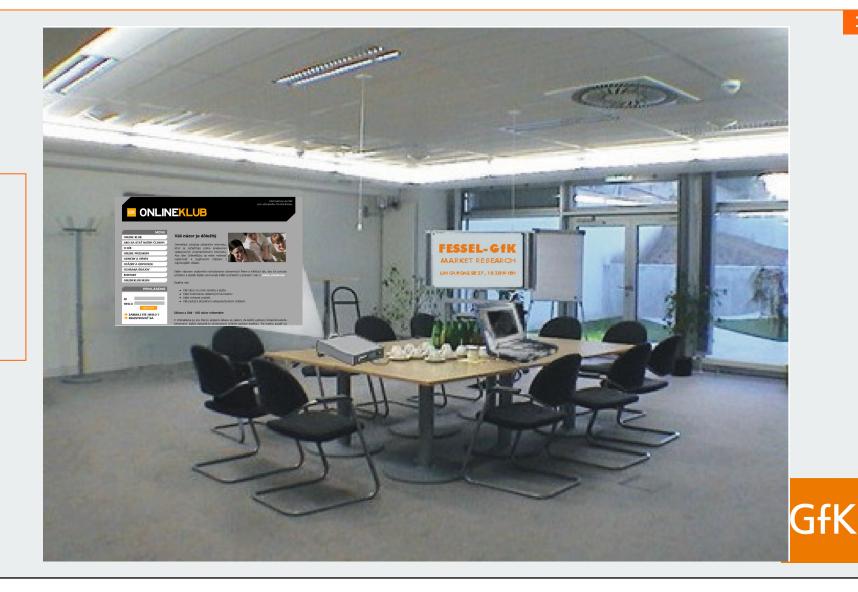
OFFLINE Focus Group



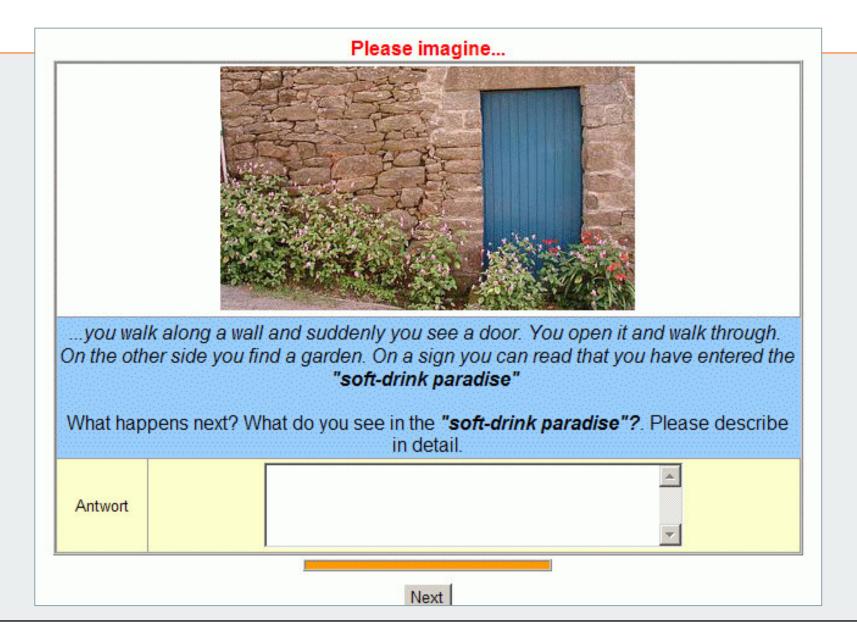
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OFFLINE Focus Group held in group discussion room in basement of FESSEL-GfK

Optimizing a Website by discussing its usability, likes and dislikes etc.



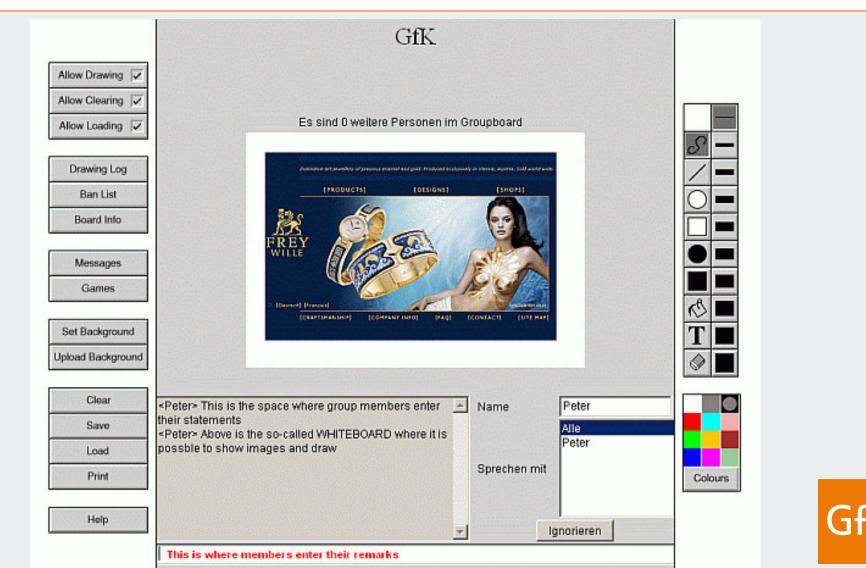
Semi-qualitative questions in online surveys (1)





ONLINE Focus Group (1)

http://labor.sing-lung.at

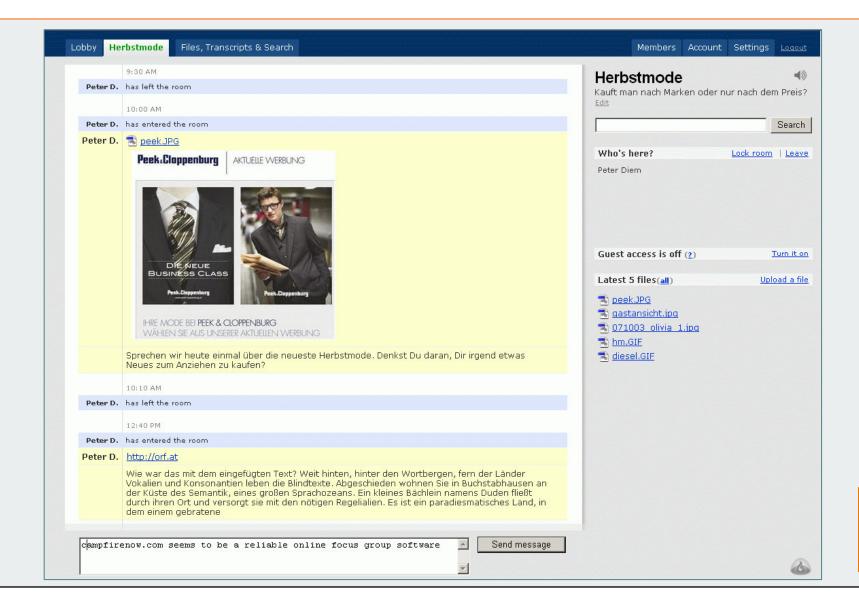






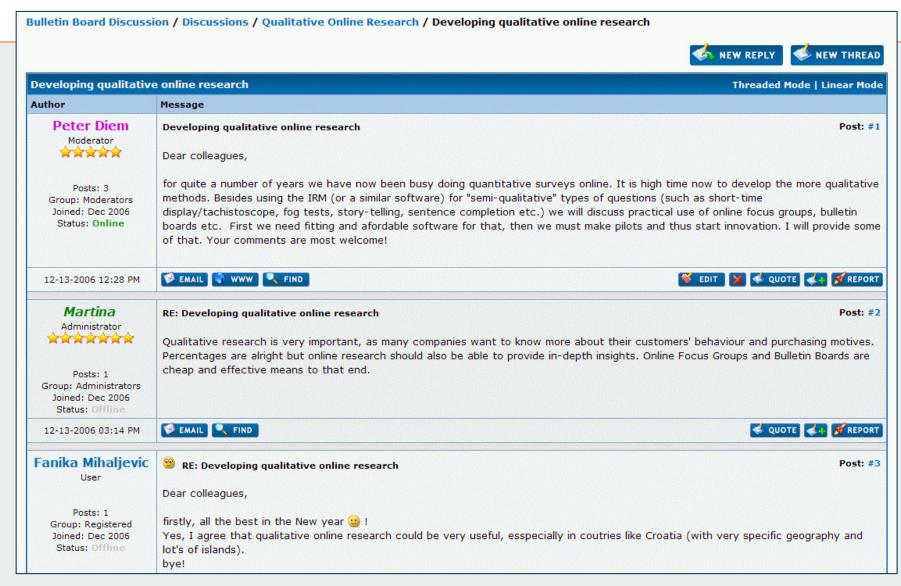
ONLINE Focus Group (2)

http://campfirenow.com





Bulletin Boards – posting opinions over several days – this method is superior to online focus groups!





Internet Diary (Weblog)

Online Diary about Breakfast-Food

Müsli zum Frühstück?

Nimmst du dir noch Zeit zum Frühstücken? Wann im Laufe eines Tages isst du zum ersten Mal etwas? Was kommt dabei bei dir auf den Tisch?



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Eine Reaktion zu "Müsli zum Frühstück?"

Peter

Am 6. September 2007 um 12:46 Uhr

Ich selbst esse kein Müsli, aber meine Frau schon. Sie nimmt auch frische Früchte dazu Anmelden

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Up to 30 respondents participate in an Internet diary about the use of a breakfast cereal in the family. The product was distributed to the households and the respondents have to report daily on what happens – for about 2 to 3 weeks.



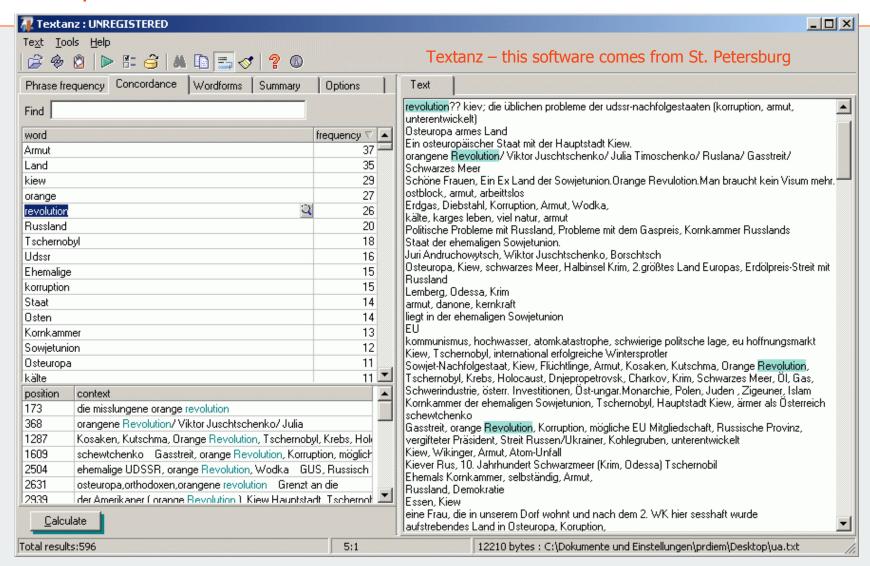


Use a "Text Cloud" program to have a first look on what words your text contains

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Using free text analysers to calculate word frequency and prepare coding: In open answers about "Ukraine" the word "revolution" occurs 26 times





Conclusion: 10 Advantages of Online Research

- Quick fieldwork and evaluation (down to 4 workdays)
- Cost efficient (but not always cheap)
- All types of multi-media content can be tested
- Test interviews are easy before fieldwork starts
- No interviewer bias, no interviewer training or cost
- Nationwide or multi-nation surveys possible at low cost
- "Sensitive" topics are no problem because respondent is alone
- Looking at trend report at early stage of survey possible
- Report/graphs generated automatically and delivered quickly online
- Format impresses customers as most modern research



Qualitative and semi-qualitative Online Research: **Examples of Practical Software**

- **Online Focus Group Software (with or without whiteboard)** Groupboard (www.groupboard.com), Campfire (www.campfirenow.com)
- **Complex Community Solutions** factline Community Server (www.factline.at)
- **Conferencing Solutions and Groupware** Webex (www.webex.com), BSCW (www.bscw.de)
- **Bulletin Boards** MyBulletinBoard (www.mybboard.de), PHP Bulletin Board (www.phpbb.com)
- **Special Software for Bulletin Board Discussions** Qualboard (www.2020research.com)
- **Tools for Text Analysis** Textanz (www.cro-code.com/textanz.jsp), Antconc (www.antlab.sci.waseda.ac.jp)
- **TagCloud Generators** TextTagCloud (www.artviper.net/texttagcloud), TagCrowd (www.tagcrowd.com), toCloud (www.tocloud.com)



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Thank you for your interest!

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