## Emerging measures

- web analytics (<u>Beasley</u>)
  - Nutshell
    - Server tools that record user visits to sites, then present it back to you for analysis
  - Measures
    - Which pages a user sees
    - When they see pages
    - Time on page/website
    - Order of viewing (paths)
    - Where arrived from (search, link)
    - User browser
    - Screen resolution
    - Purchases (conversions)
  - Limitation: tells you what, not why
  - o How it works
    - Log file analysis
      - One less commonly used option problems are too large
    - Page tagging
      - More common: e.g. google analytics
    - Clicks
      - Not normally part of google analytics
  - Drawing inferences
    - Views
    - Conversions
    - Where users
      - Are from
      - What tools they use
      - What device they use
    - Testing website changes
    - It's designed to detect attention, not:
      - Satisfaction
      - Liking, Intent
      - Emotion
      - Persuasion...
- online experiment tools
  - You can perform experiments online! The essentials are
    - Define your independent variables (e.g. A/B test two alternative interfaces)
    - Define your dependent measures
      - The usual
        - o time, accuracy, efficiency
      - The experiential
        - o ratings, qualitative responses
      - The novel
        - clickpath data: what and when you clicked on, in what order

- Choose a tool
  - Commercial
    - o Loop11, UserZoom, WebEffective...
  - Free/open
    - Google content experiments, IntuitionHQ
    - o CrazyEgg's list, WooRank's list
  - Roll your own
- Related:
  - Mechanical turk
  - Concerns about mturk participants...
    - Demographics
    - Payment
- implicit association test (<u>Greenwald</u>)
  - Nutshell
    - Problem: people are biased
      - May not want to tell you the truth
      - May not be conscious of how they feel
    - Answer:
      - Test their biased associations by measuring the time they take to make certain associations
      - Longer they take, less they agree
    - Example: free iat
    - Discussion:
      - Hard to learn how to perform
      - Hard to do
      - Seems to require less "power" (number of participants)
- subjective duration assessment (Czerwinksi et al.)
  - Nutshell
    - Problem: how engaged are folks?
      - People may again be biased if you simply ask
    - Answer:
      - Compare perceived to actual passage of time
      - If interrupted (incomplete), time is overestimated.
      - If completed, time is underestimated
    - Discussion:
      - Still largely unproven, not widely used.
- experience sampling (<u>Csikszentmihalyi & Larson</u>)
  - Nutshell
    - Problem: how can we gain external validity, and test experience in situ?
    - Problem: how can we measure behavior over the long term?
  - Solution
    - Give people a diary
    - Ask them to enter stuff in it periodically
    - Often need reminders for entry
  - Discussion
    - What sort of biases remain?
    - How to trigger recording of behavior?
- mobile measurement