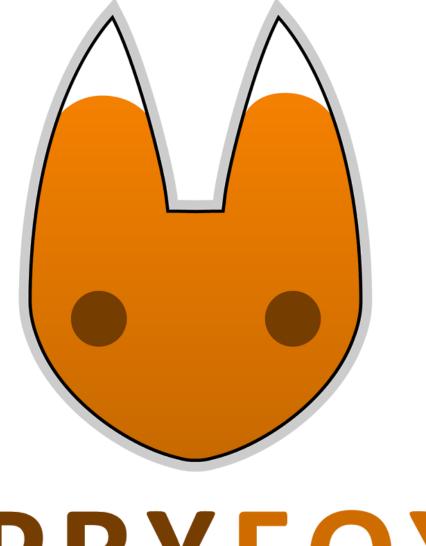
Road Not Taken From Mobile to Console

Daniel Cook

18 years of design



SPRYFOX







3,070

pts



Goal: 20,000 points

15%



Store (tap to buy)

2850



place some grass

1,485 turns left









Road Not-taken

A puzzle game about life's surprises







Why invest in a new market?

What Spry Fox is good at?

Innovative mechanics

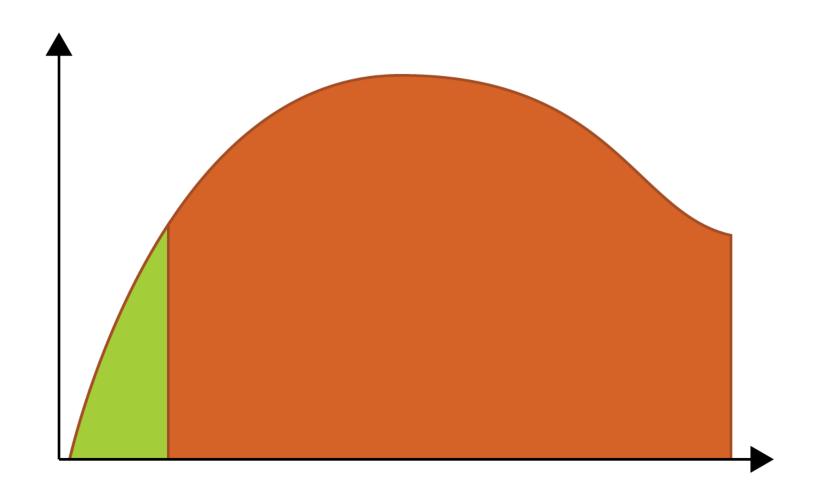
Efficient development

Proven

We thrive in markets with

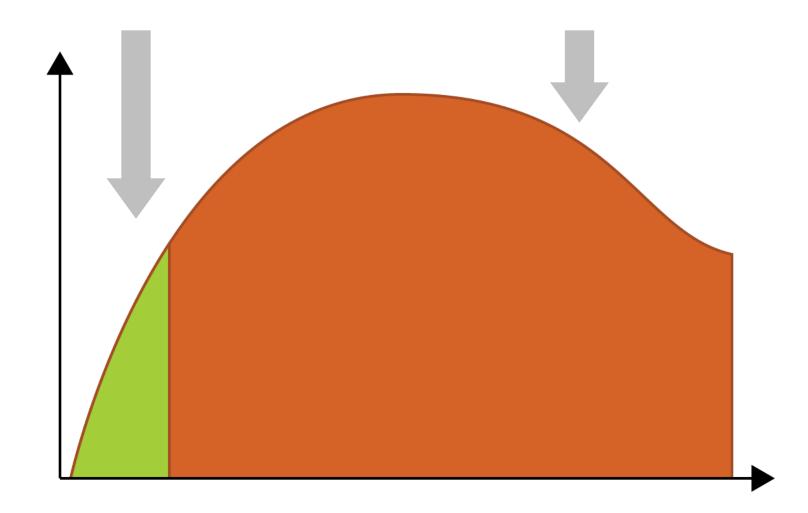
- Weak competition
- High platform support
- Large audience

Platform Lifecycle



Investment

Extraction



Lessons

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Consoles are about consumable media

Mobile sell Services

Retention

- Long term relationships
- Constant adaptation
- Robust user acquisition

Console sell Media

- Have a great pitch
- Massive marketing
- Point of purchase support

- Popular genre: Rogue-like
- Marketing: Community
- Support: Feature?

Platform controls distribution

- Advertising Mailing lists Cross promotion ☐ Press ☐ Streamers (twitch)
- Platform feature

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PlayStation®Plus

Featured

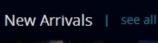
Plus

Become A Member! Free Games Other Freebies Discounts **Exclusives** Timed Trials











Contrast

PSN Game **PS4** Purchased



RESOGUN™

PSN Game



Binary Domain

Full Game



Worms™2: Armageddon

\$4.50

PSN Game 承



Rush to meet release date

August 5th, 2014

Press

Features

Certification

Platform Promotion

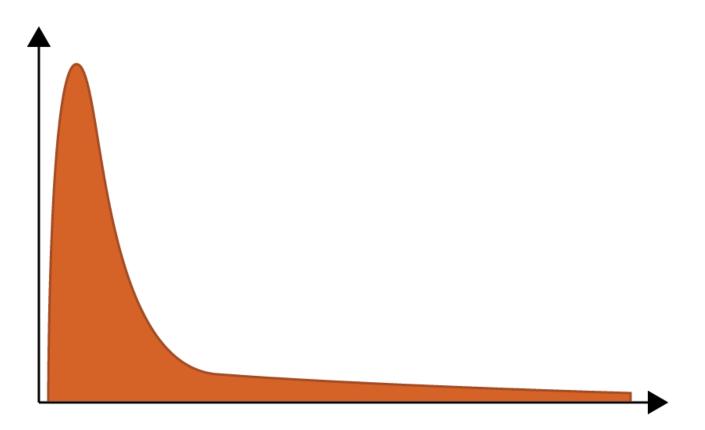
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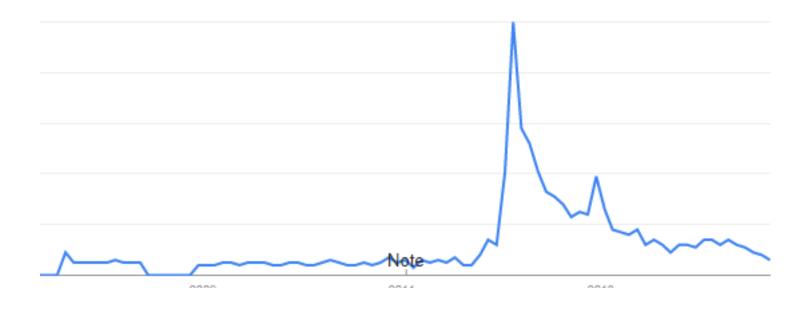
Console: Hit your deadline or die

Android/Web: When its ready

Big Bang Release

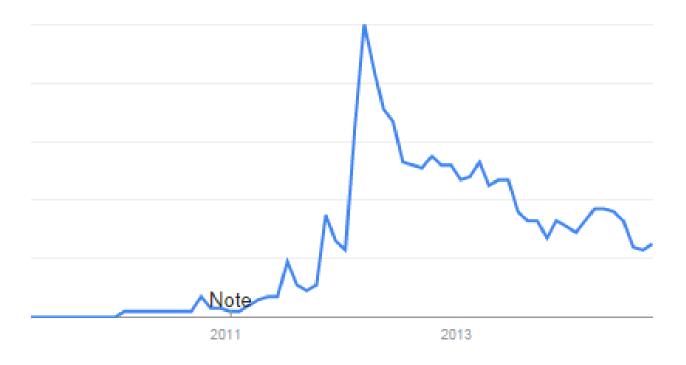


Triple Town



Development: 3 months
Post release: 3 years

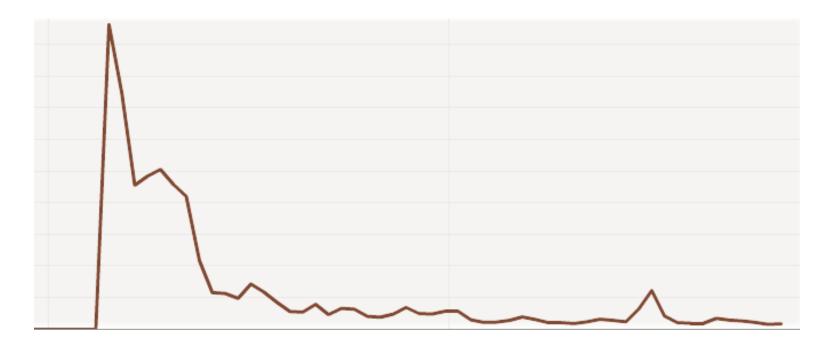
Realm of the Mad God



Development: 6 months

Post release: 4 years

Road Not Taken



Development: 2 years

Post release: 2 month

Long update cycle kills momentum





3 days to tune and test

3 days to tune and test 3+ weeks to release

Console: 1-3 weeks Android/Web: <1 hour

dev release

Small releases are dumb



So you make big releases





Established Culture

New Markets value Surprise



Mature markets value Familiarity



Conclusion

- Popular genre: Rogue-like
- Marketing: Community
- Support: PlayStation Plus



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Road Not Taken



6 to 40 hours

Console gamers play many games

