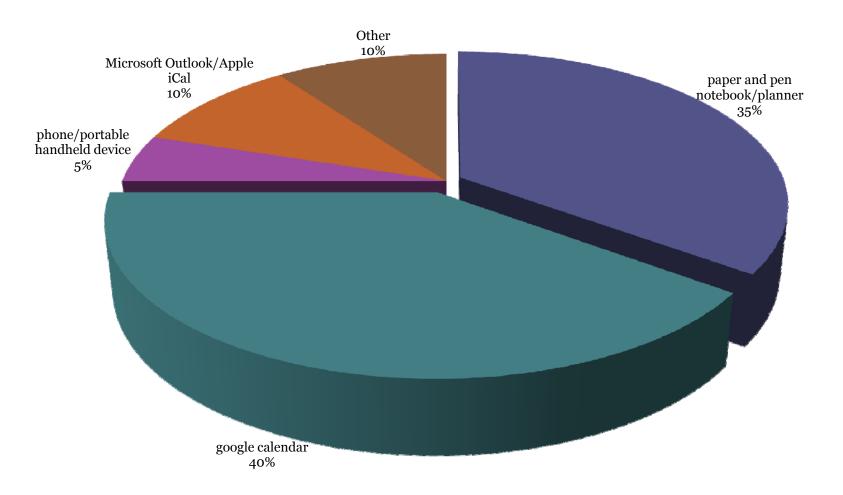
# Effective Planning

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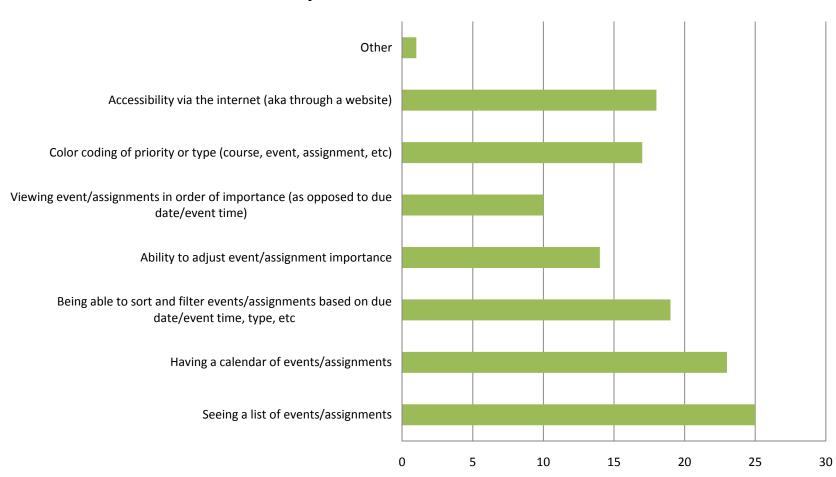
# Survey

Approaching the problem from an appropriate direction

#### **Planner Type Usage**



#### **Important Features to Have**



## Attribute Importance

#### Situational Events

- Sample Event: Given the tasks below, please rank the tasks in the order you would complete them. 1 being the first task to complete and 4 being the last task.

  (Note: there is no right or wrong answer)
  - Assignment A: Due in 3 days. Worth 5% of your grade for Course V. Will take about 1 hour to complete. Will be used by Assignment D
  - Assignment B: Due in 3 days. Worth 25% of your grade for Course X. Will take about 6 hours to complete
  - Assignment C: Due in 5 days. Worth 15% of your grade for Course Y. Will take about 4 hours to complete
  - Assignment D: Due in 6 days. Worth 20% of your grade for Course V. Will take about 6 hours to complete. Depends on completion of Assignment A.

## Order of Importance

- 1. Due Date
- 2. Grade Weight
- 3. Expected Completion time

# Qualitative Study

Evaluating 3 types of assignment planning solutions

### Heuristic Evaluations

- 3 Evaluators
  - Each evaluated each assignment planner:
    - Physical Planner
    - Google Calendar
    - Lo-fi Prototype of our Proposed Solution

### Results

- Did a Severity Questionaire
  - Biggest problem was search
    - Searching for an assignment is a hassle in physical planners.
  - Everything else was considered "minor problems"
    - · Lack of overview, customization, etc.

## Things To Do

- Make SQL Database work with Flex
- Transitions
- Calendar View
- List View
- Stack View
  - When clicked → connect to larger editing window
- Incorporating Effective Priority Algorithm
- Making the legends into clickable filters