

# Ravelry Comparisons

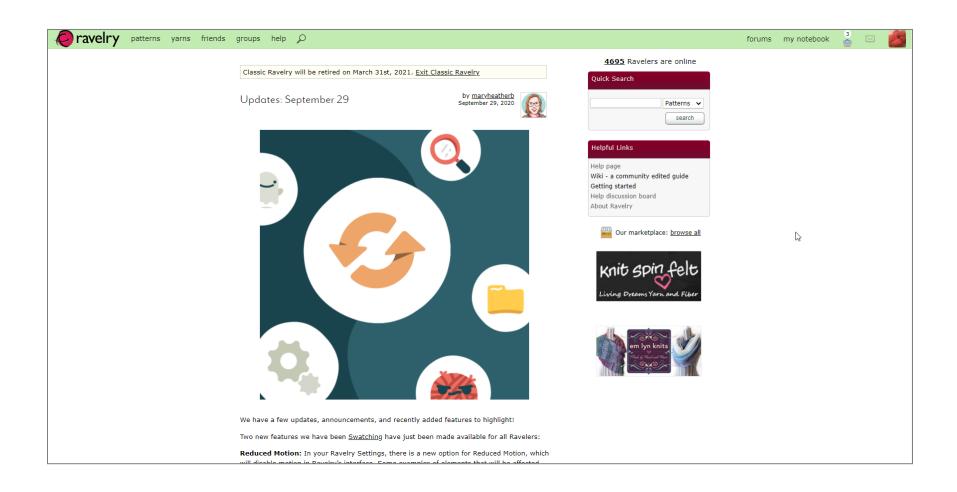
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#### **Conditions:**

- All taken in Chrome,
- Browser window kept at same size
- 100% Zoom
- No special settings used in browser or from Ravelry options

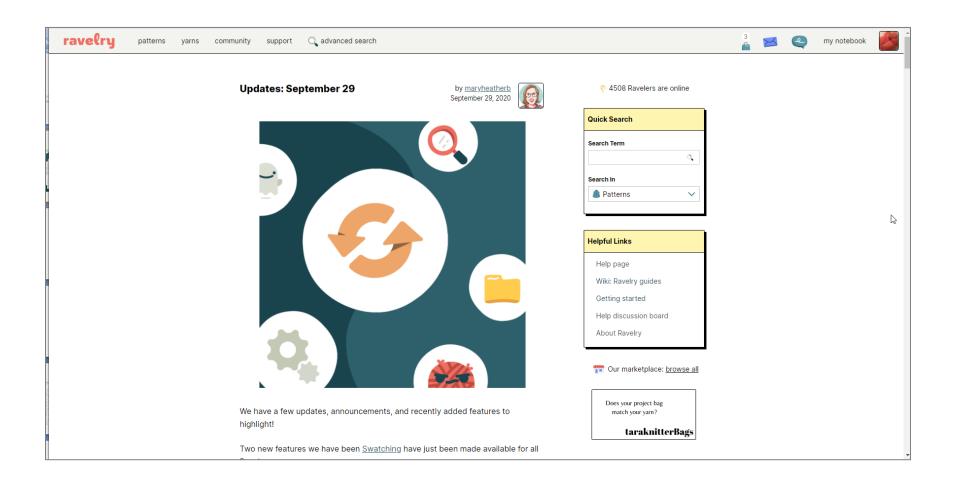
Arrows have been added in some places to make it easier to compare the size of elements between different modes. Length of arrows is identical across modes being compared.



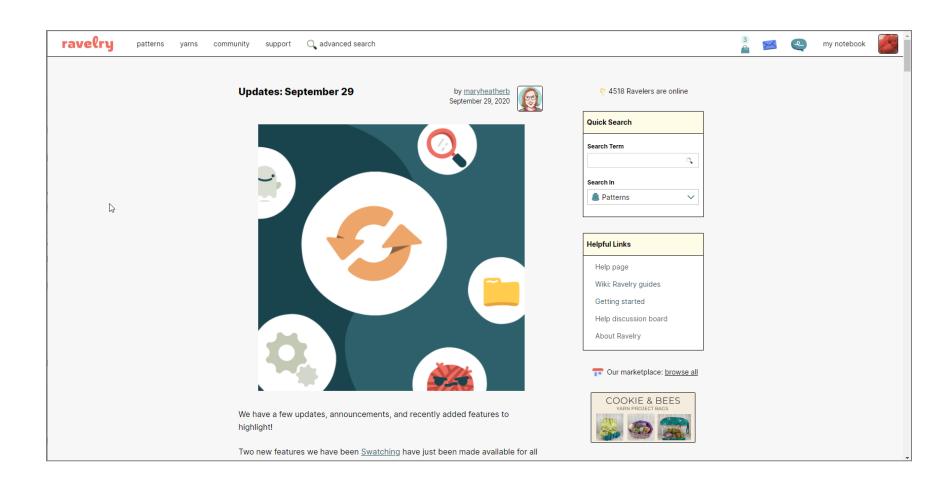




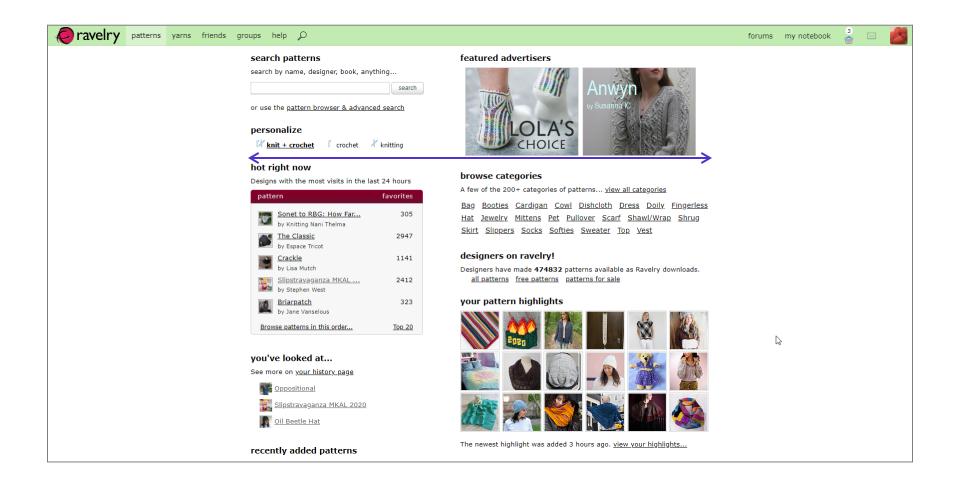
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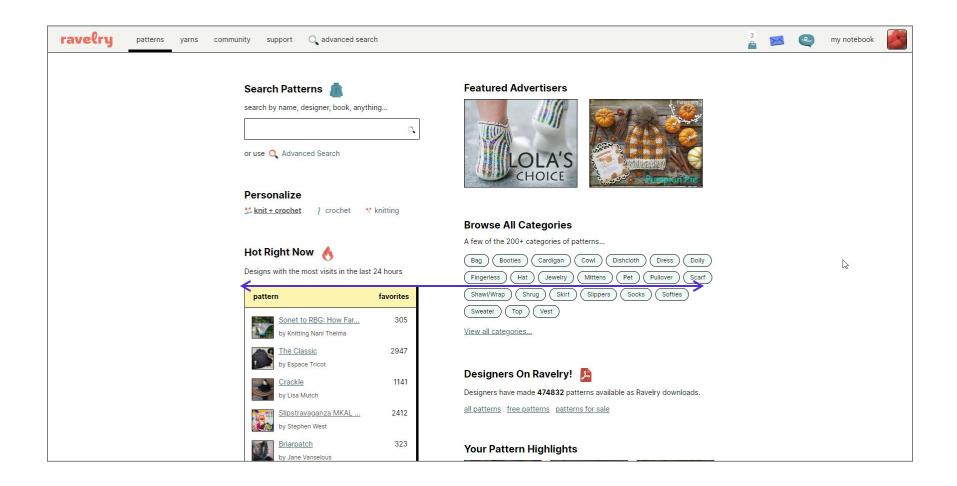




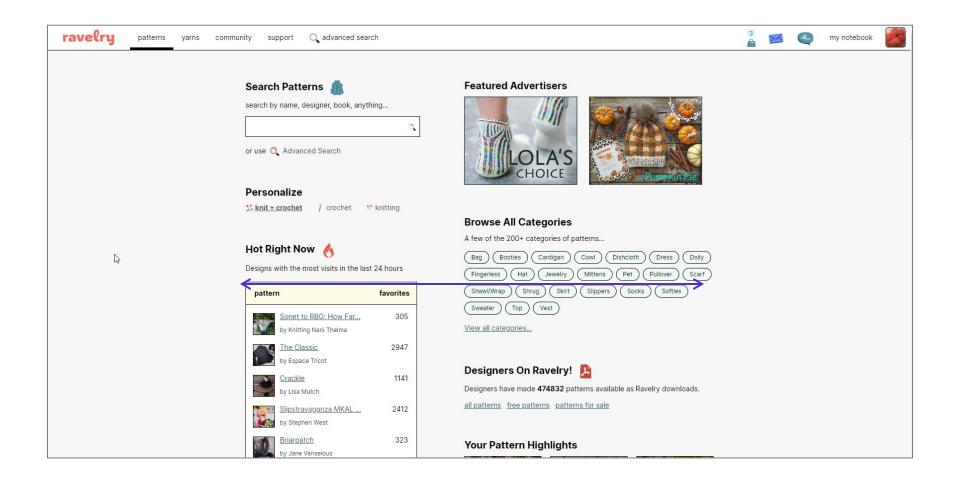




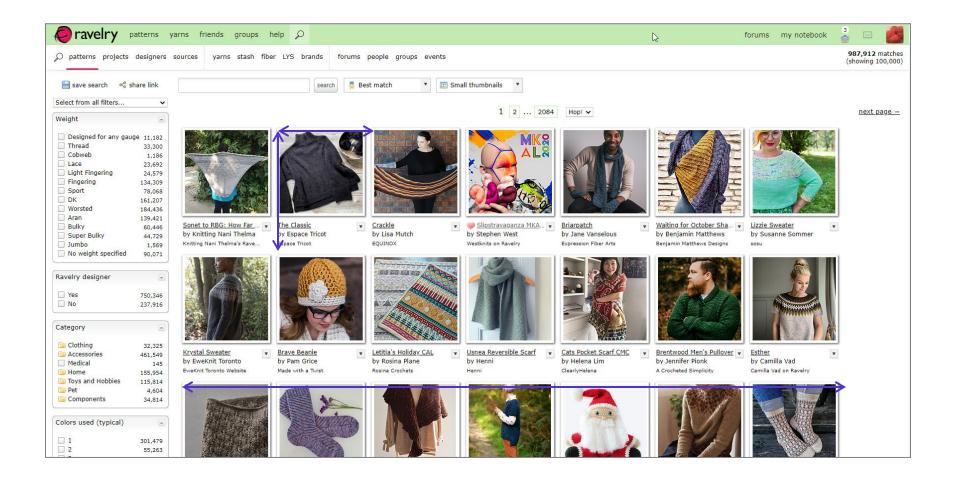
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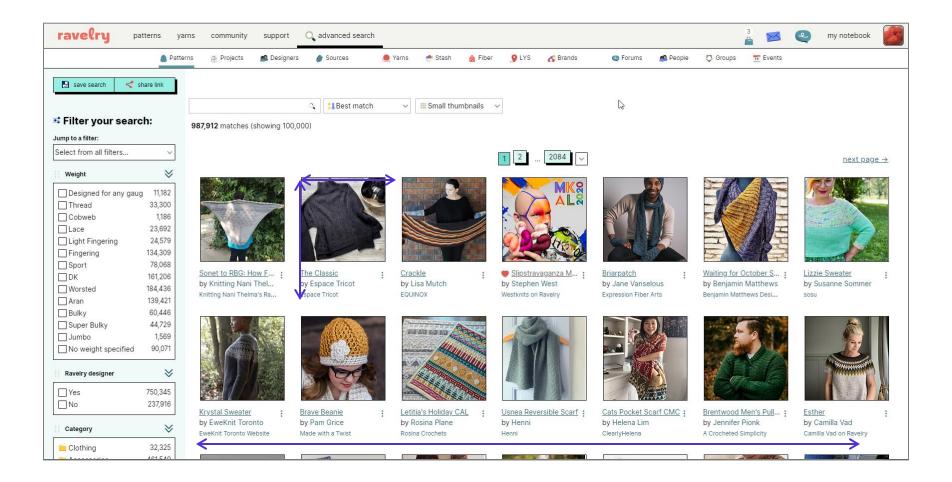




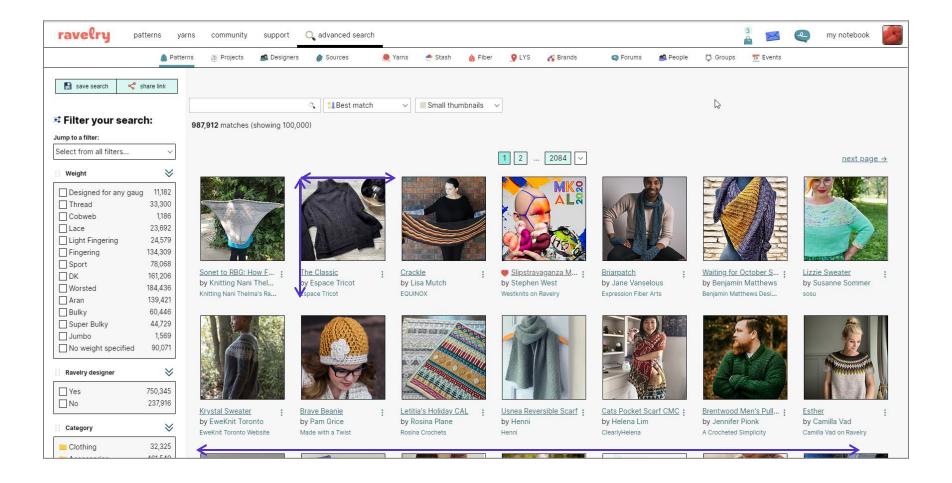




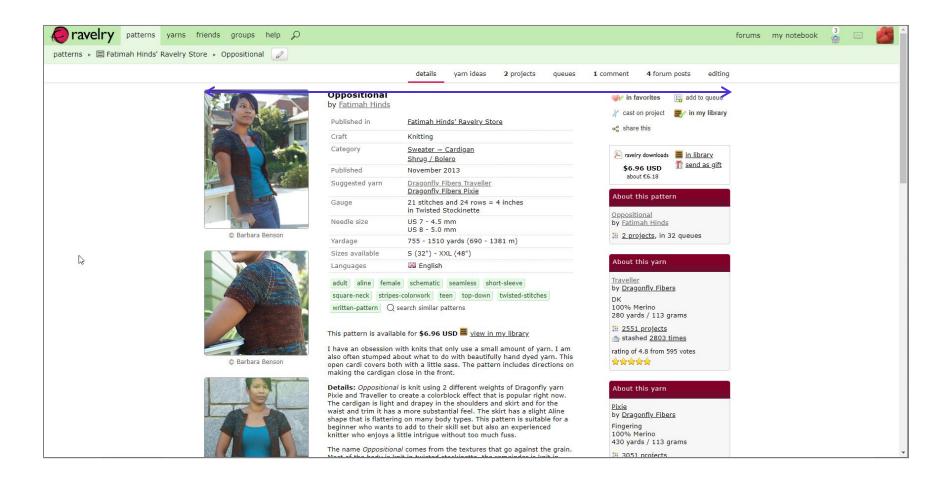
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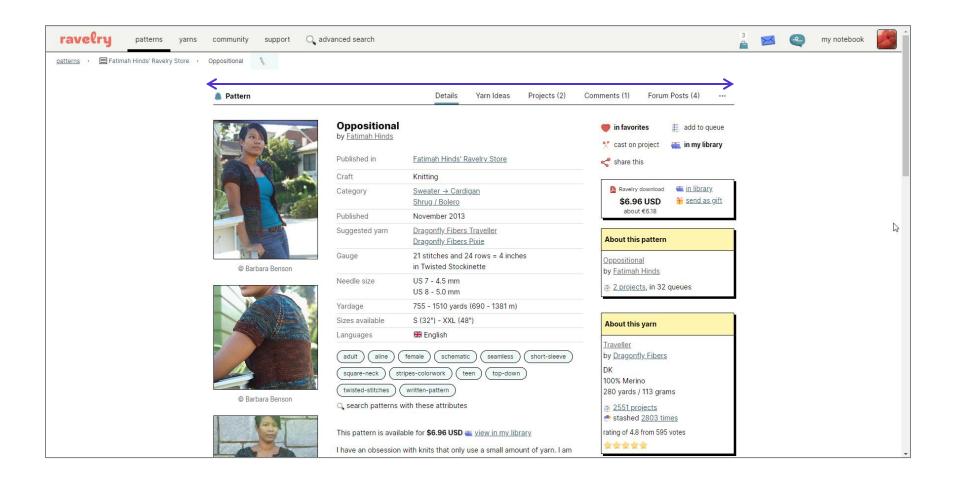




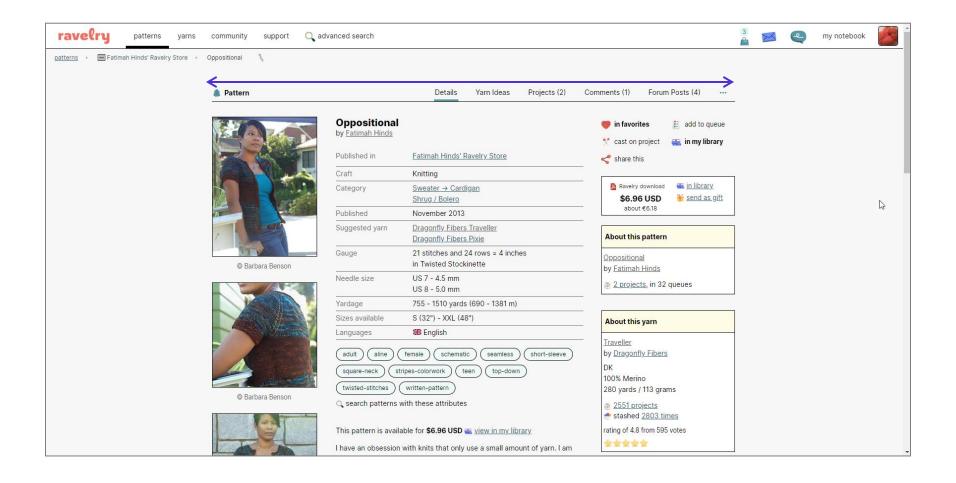


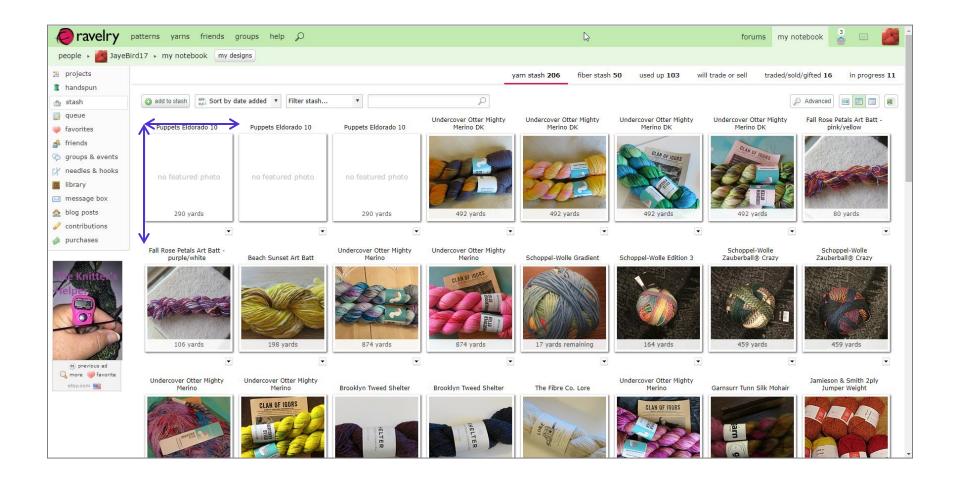


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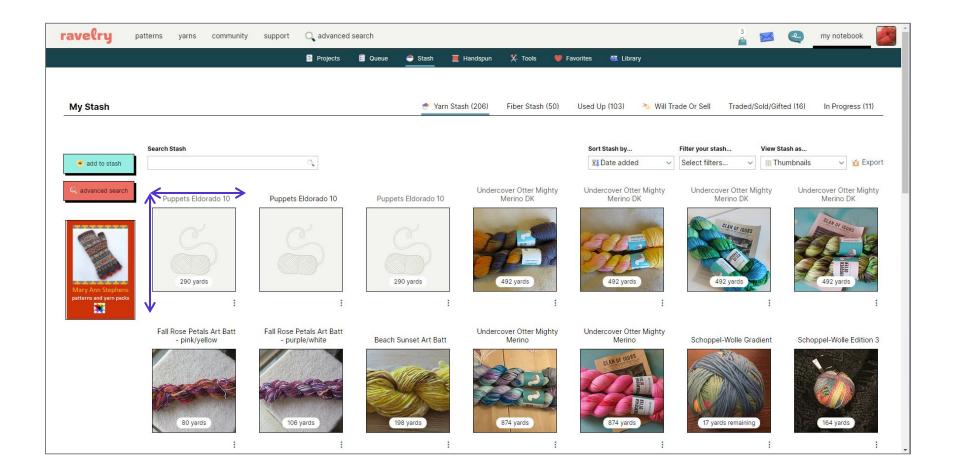




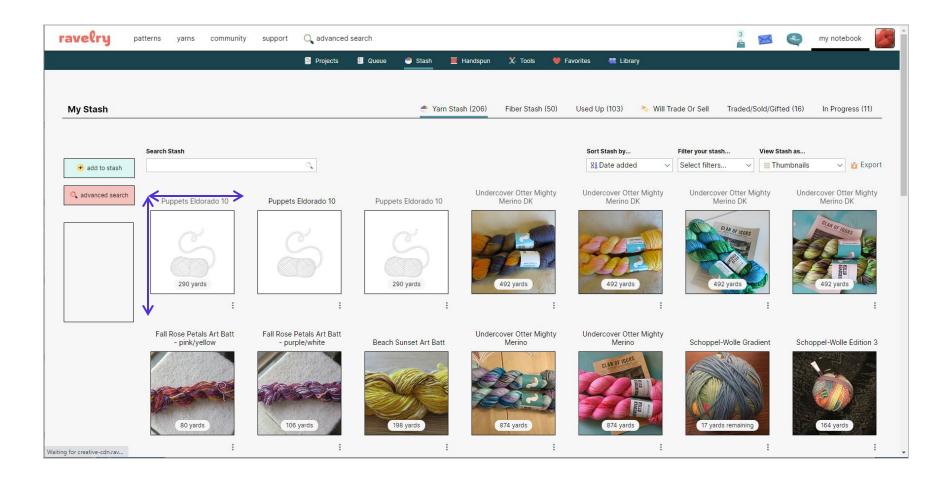




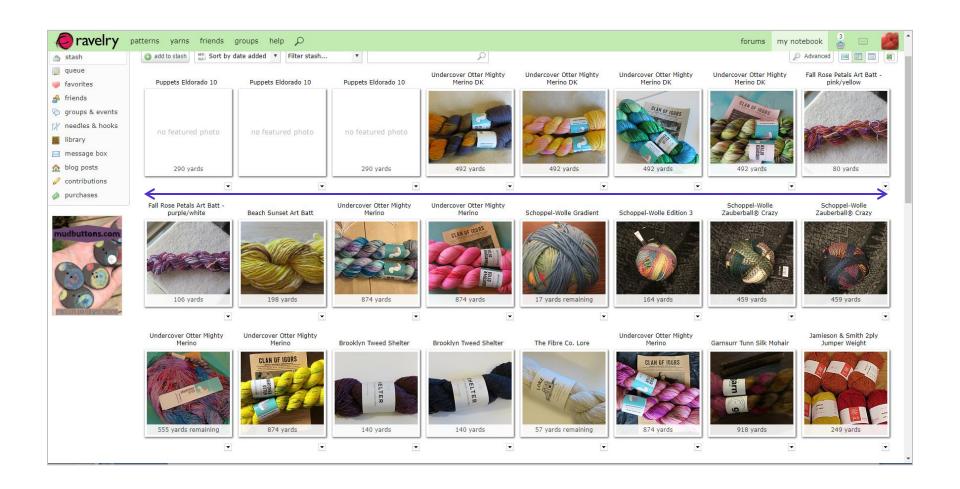
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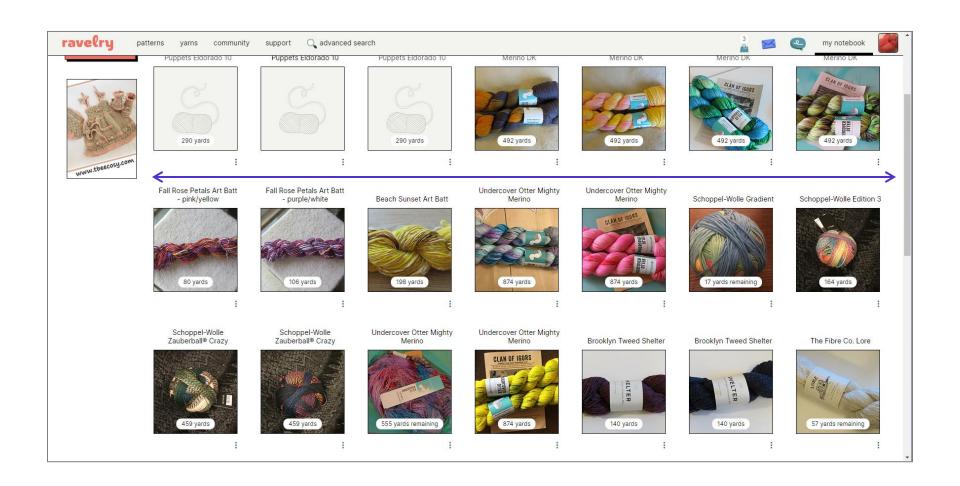




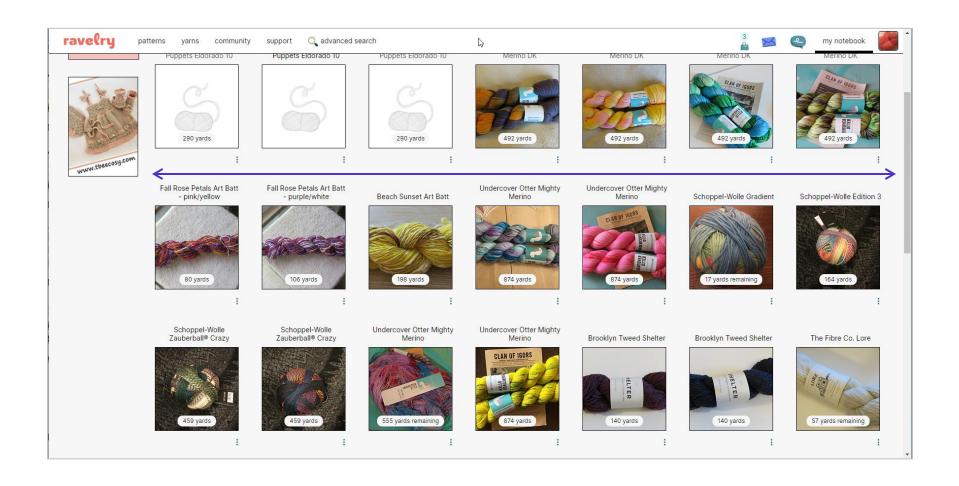




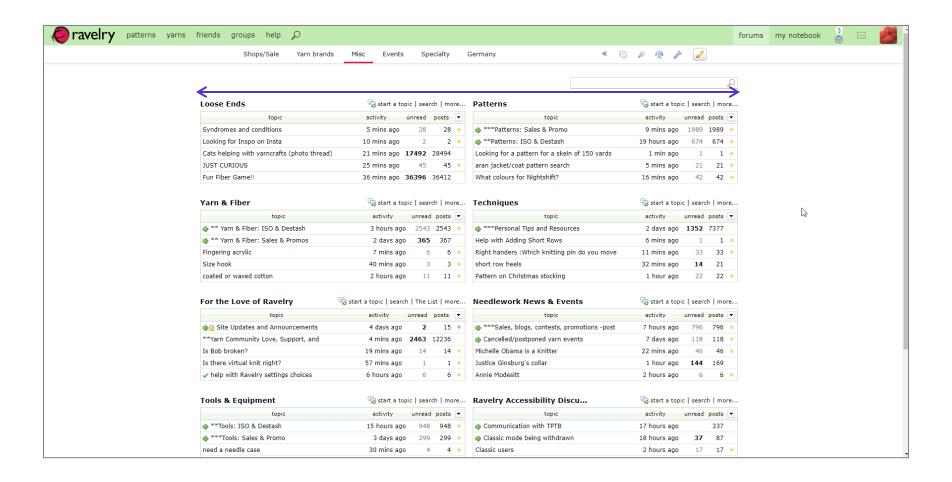
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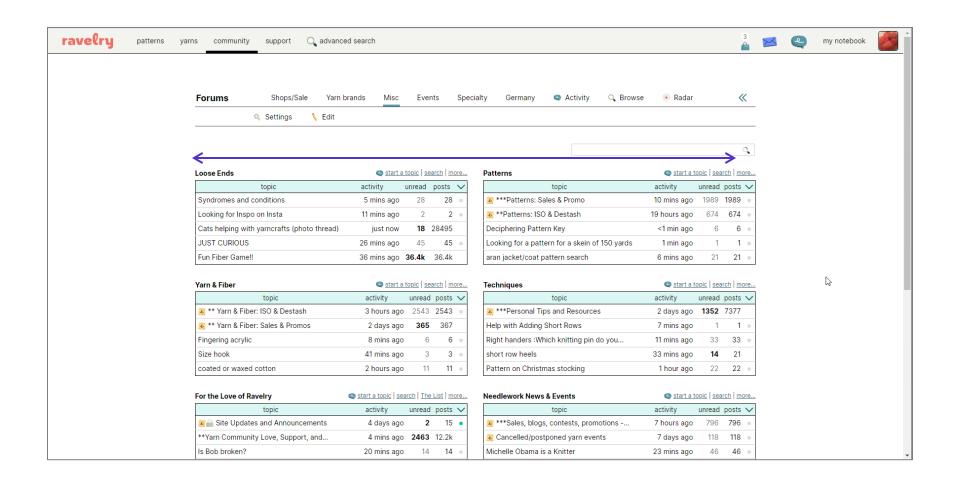




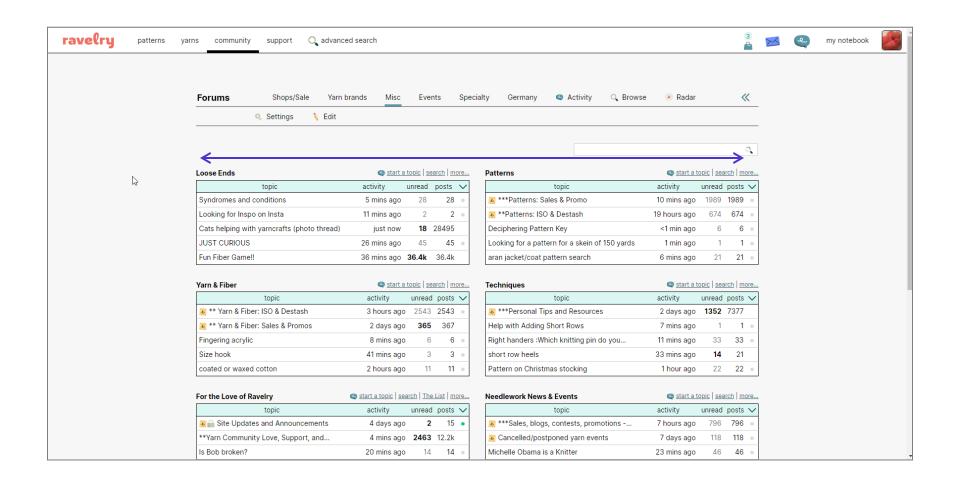




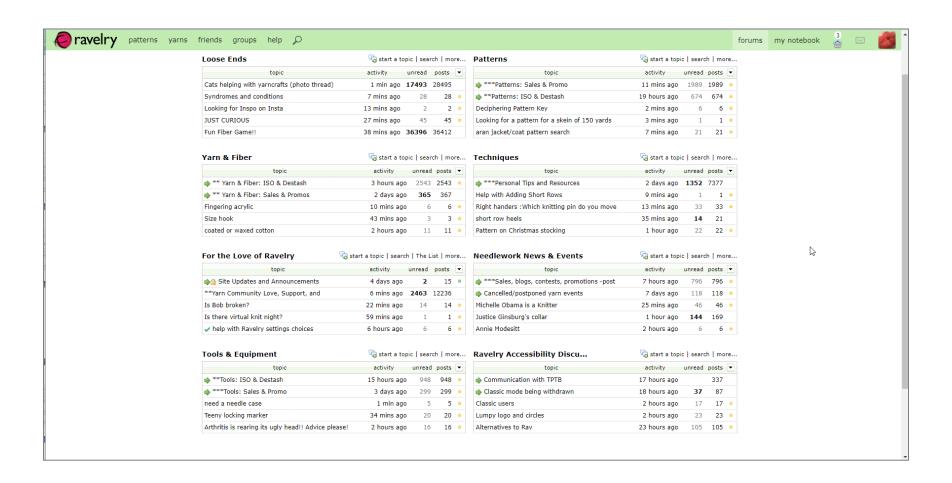
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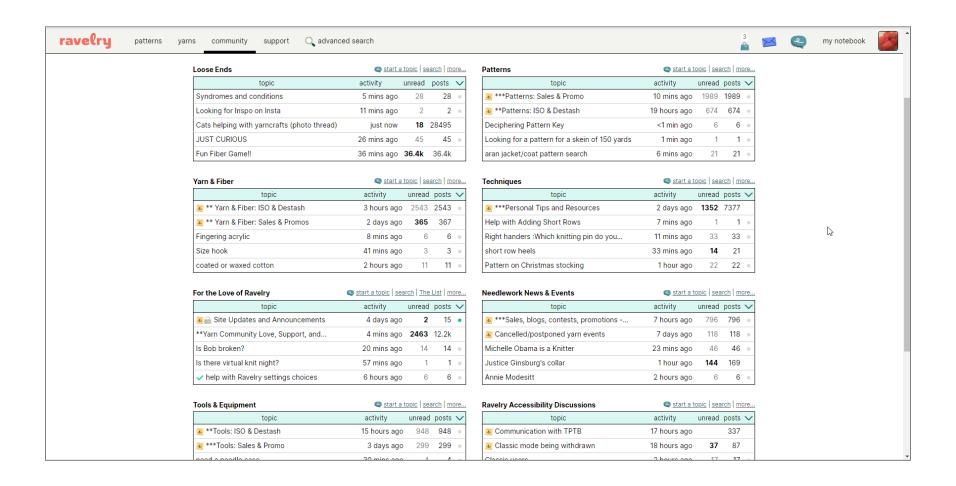




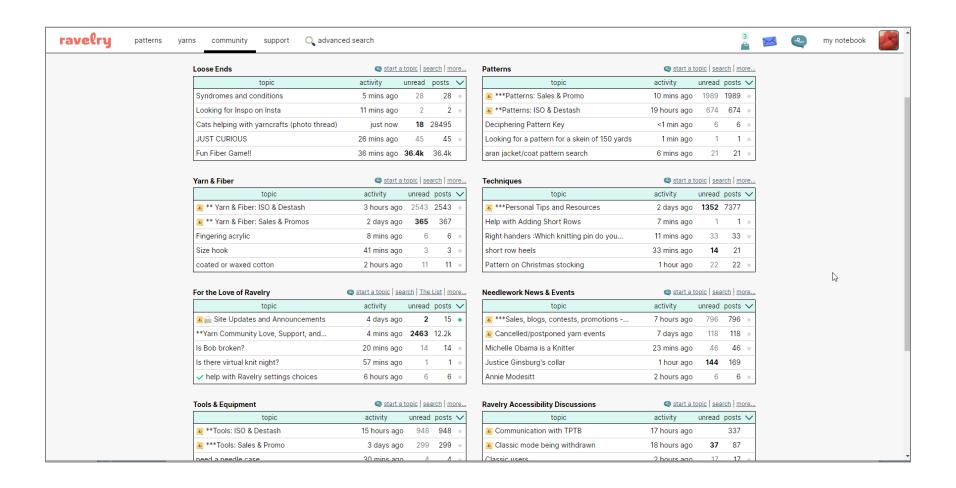




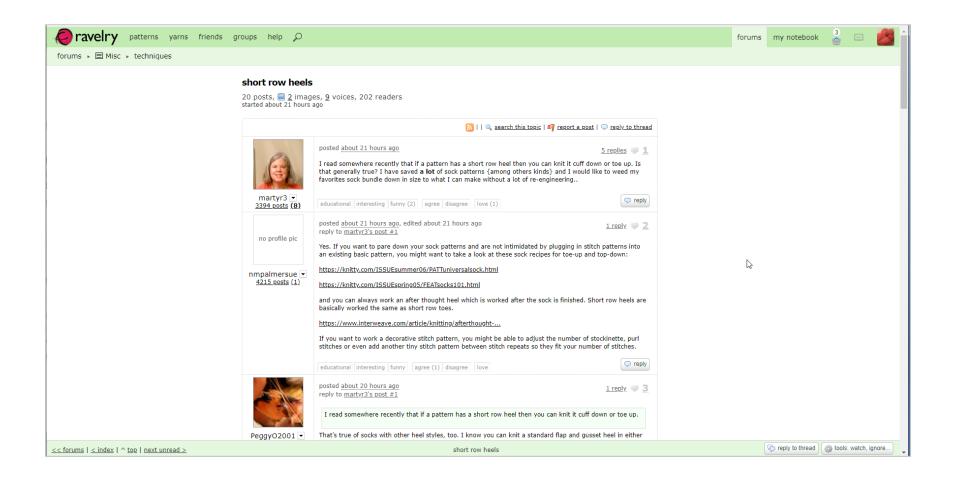
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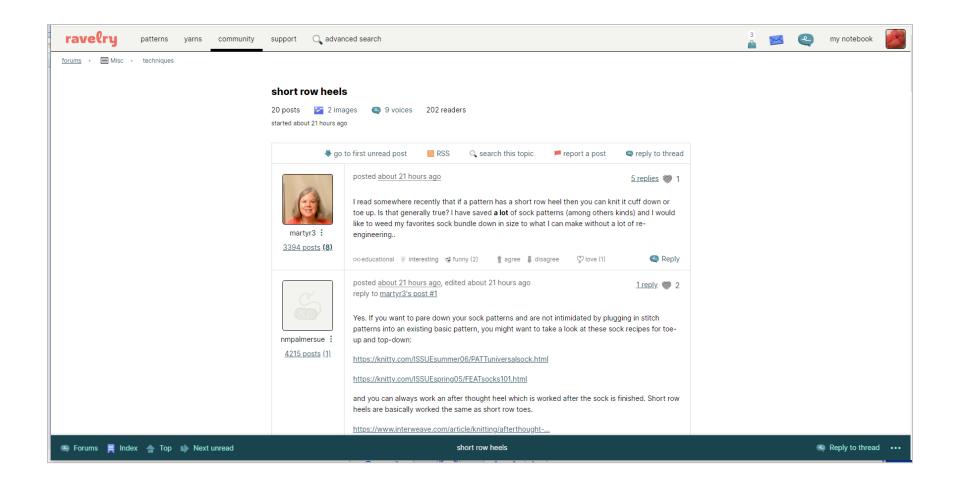




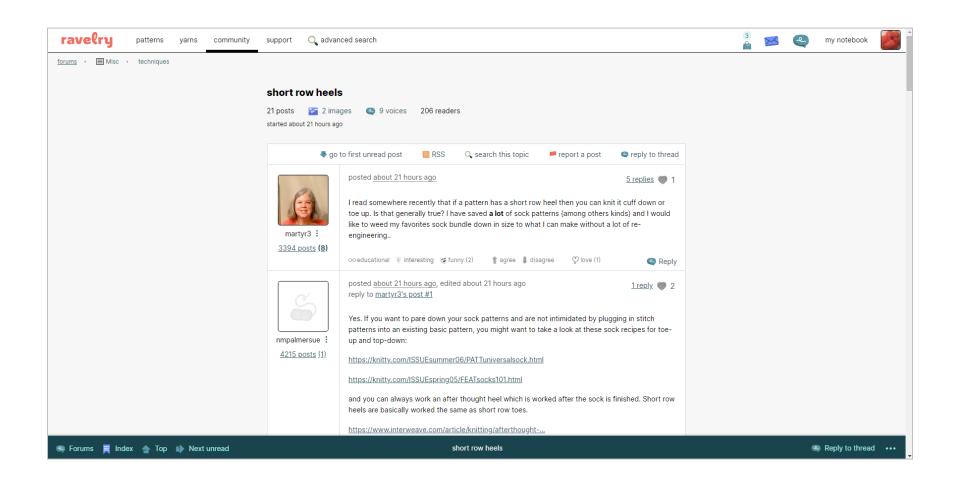




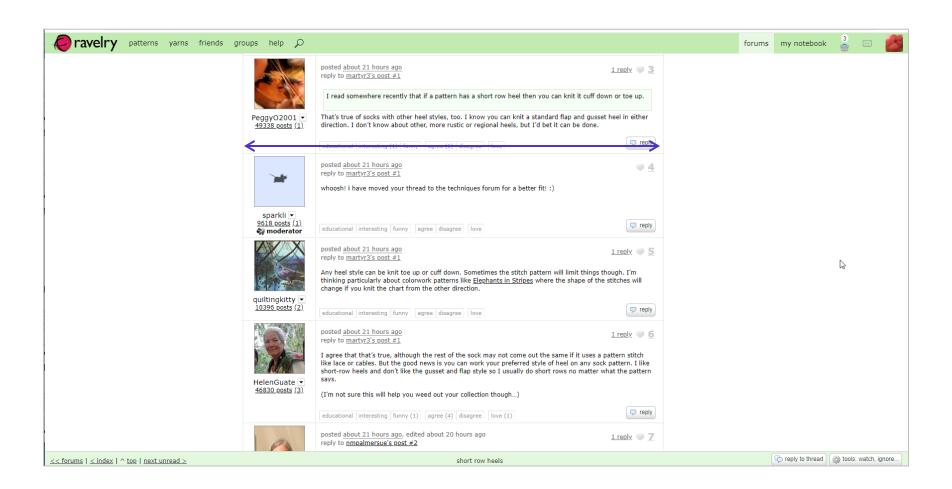
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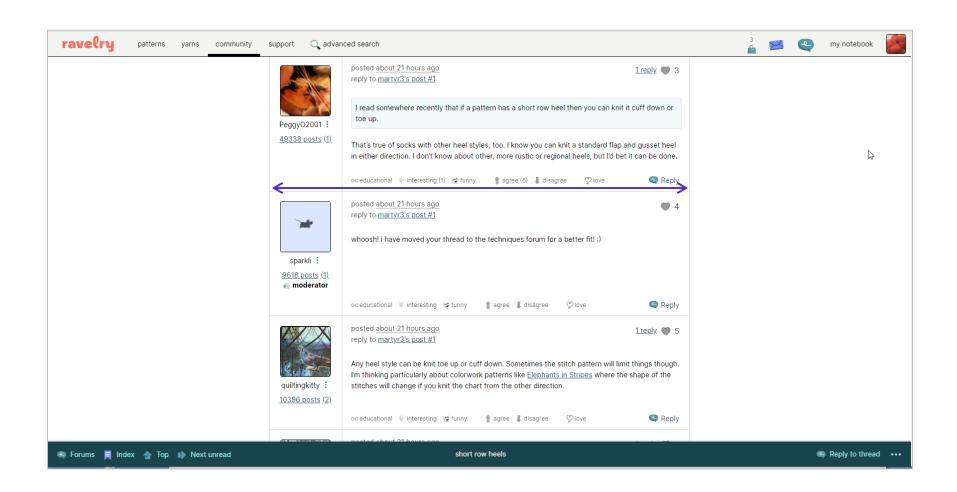




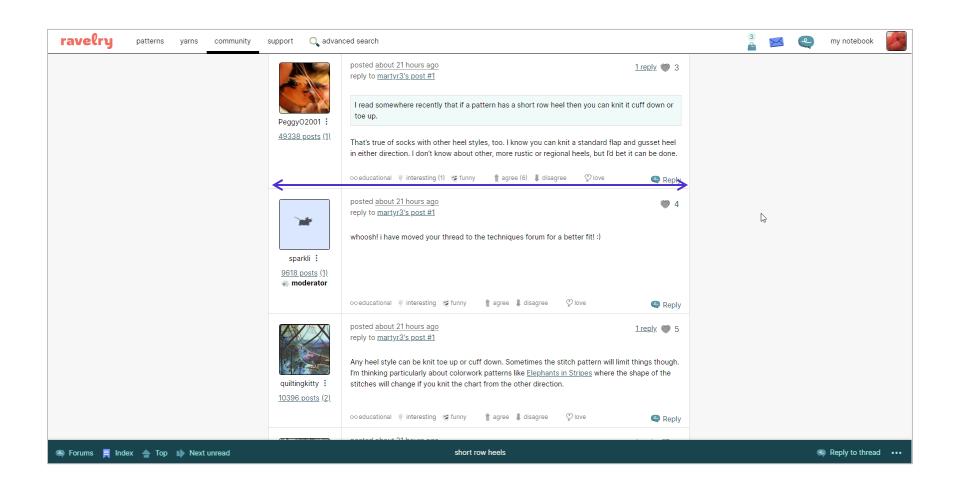




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#### Observations

- White space: Whether there is more or not depends on what you mean
  - Total unused space on either side of the main content area is mostly the same. In some cases, New Rav is slightly narrower, but in others it's noticeably wider. However, New Rav is more centered on the screen, particularly in the forums.
  - Pale header & more spacing around elements within the content area increases overall amount of white on the page
    as well as the space it takes to convey the same amount of information.
- Scrolling: So yes, both "New Rav" options do require more scrolling
  - This is because of the increased spacing around various elements as well as greater space between lines of text
    - Impact on pattern browsing, stash pages, and similar pages is less once you get past the initial headers
    - Amount of text per line can be increased by changing to Helvetica or Sans Serif in settings.
      - This won't drastically change the posts per visible screen except where long posts are written
- Drop Shadows: They are used differently in Old and New Rav.
  - Old Rav has them around patterns & stash entries. New Rav uses them on buttons, and they are sharper and darker.
  - These are removed entirely in New Rav Herdwick.
- Outlines: Many people are still complaining about the outlines in New Rav
  - Forum post outlines are very similar. On the boards the Old Rav are nearly invisible, and are stronger in the New Rav.
  - Where Old Rav was using drop shadows to create an outline (on ½ of the image anyways), New Rav relies on a darker outline
  - Basically, this is a pretty mixed bag depending on where you are in Ravelry.

**Note:** I am not claiming any special credentials or expert knowledge. These are based on what I can see when I look at the screenshots I took.