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UI Problem that this pattern solves

The user needs to be able to navigate up (backtrack toward the home page) and have an understanding of where he/she is in relation to the rest of the site.

How it works

A series of links are placed at the top of the page that reflect the categories and subcategories that contain the current page, allowing the user to 'move up a level' in the information sets. Typically, the current page is included as the last of the breadcrumb text but it is not linked.

Live examples of this pattern working

- http://wireless.fcc.gov/auctions/default.htm?job=auctions_home
- http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/UlsSearch/searchLicense.jsp

Technical Requirements / Included Patterns

- None

Implementation Notes

None

Source Code

```
<a href="/" title="FCC Home">Home</a> &gt;
  <a href="../../../" title="Section Name">Section
Name</a>
  &gt;
  <a href="../../" title="Category Name">Category
Name</a>
  &gt;
  <a href="../" title="Subcategory
Name">Subcategory
  Name</a> &gt;
  Current Page
```

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Approvals

User Tests: