

**BRAND IS PRODUCT IS
MARKETING IS OPERATIONS**

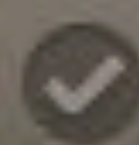
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HELLO, I'M JOSH

IN THE BEGINNING...





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“Design at the beginning has impacted everything.”



Joe Gebbia, @jgebbia
Co-founder, CPO, Airbnb
San Francisco, CA

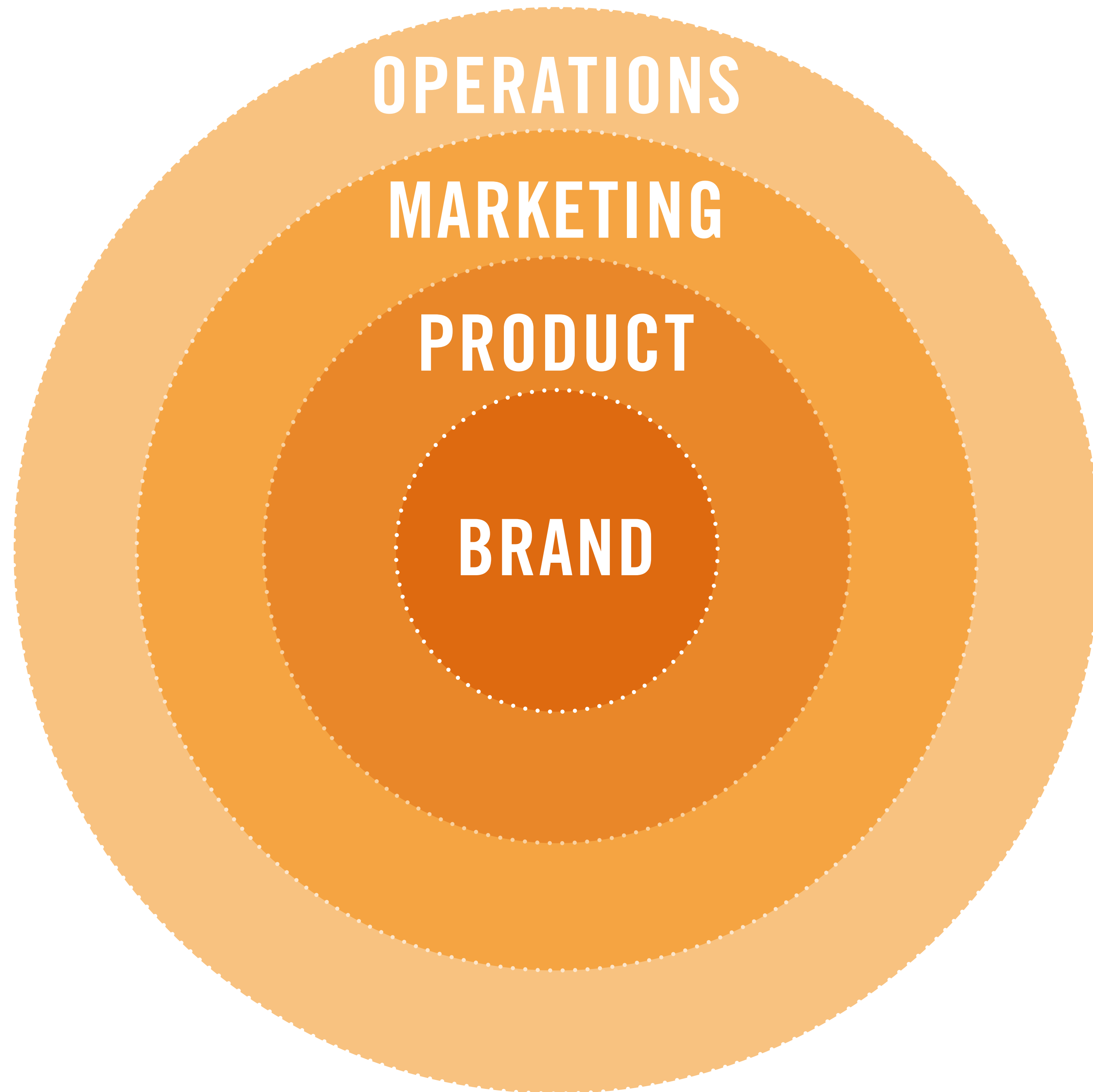
START-UP PHASE

- **Brand** – all the expressions & impressions of the product or service
- **Product** – the means to experience or enjoy the brand
- **Marketing** – the directed communications about the experience
- **Operations** – supporting teams to execute on the above







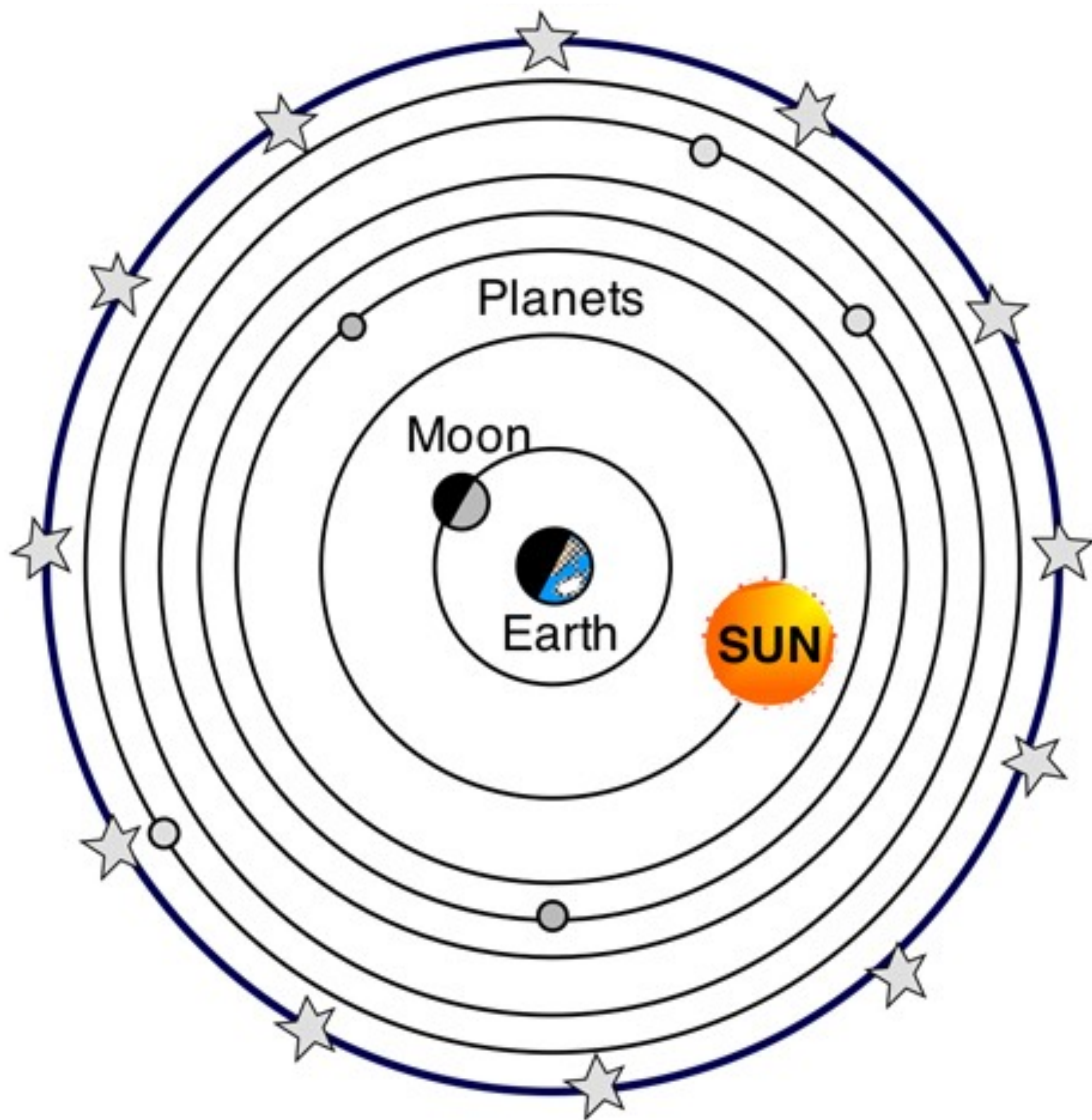




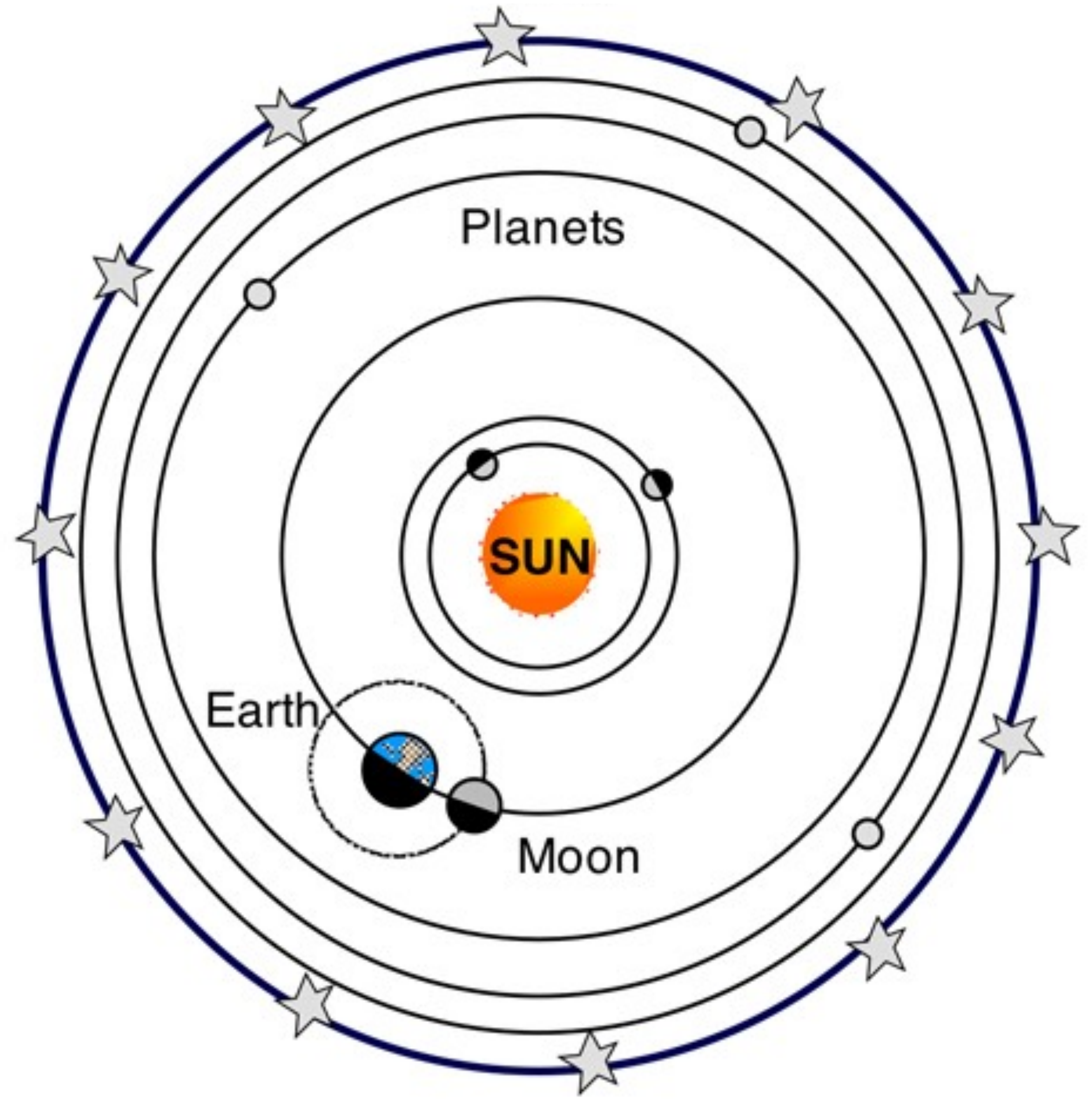


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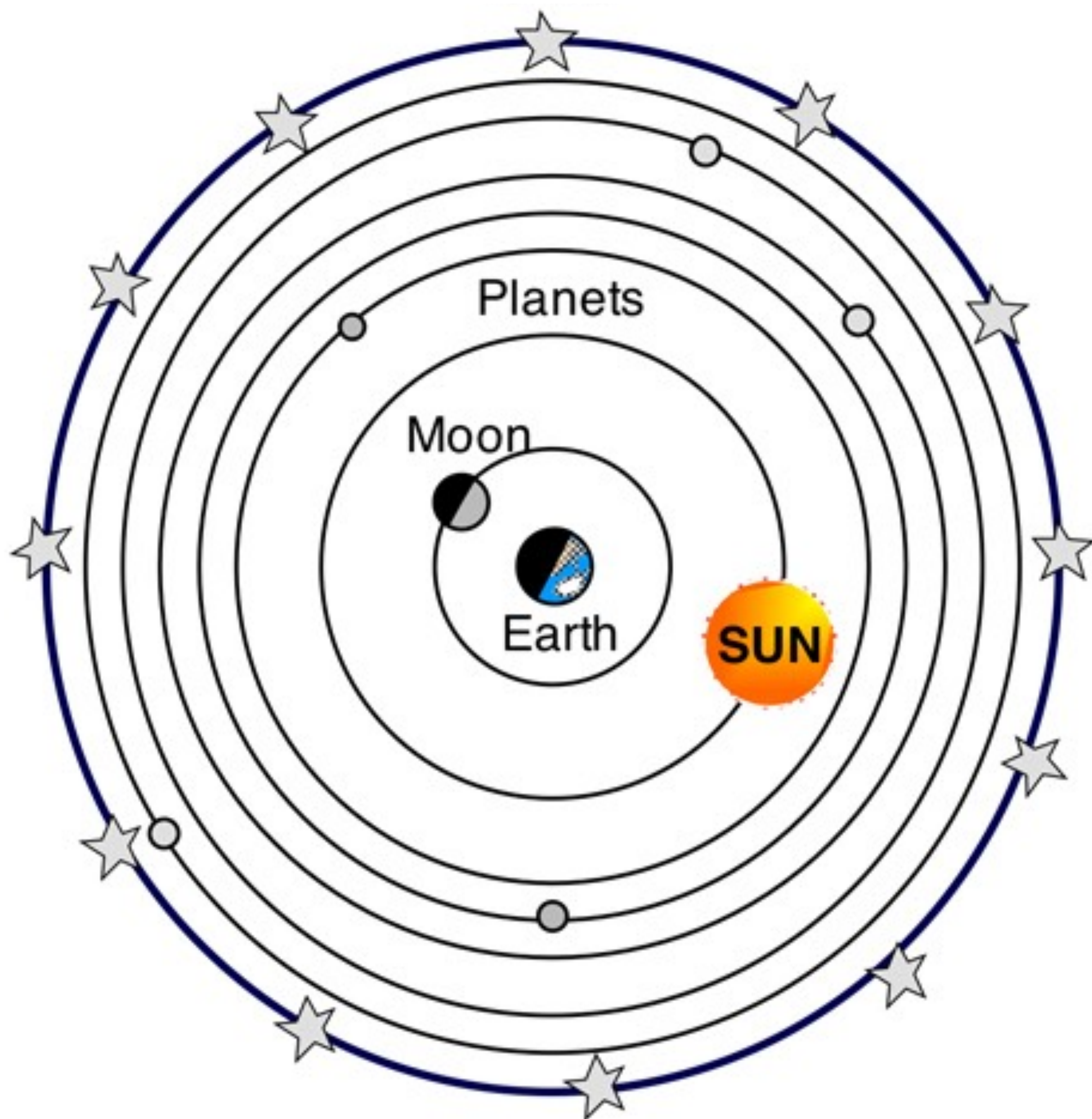




Geocentric Theory



Heliocentric Theory



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GROWTH PHASE



Communication designer

User experience designer

VP design

Marketing specialist

Service designer

Associate creative director

Experience architect

Principal designer



Aine Zhou
@ZhouAine



There are so many disjointed job titles stacked on top of each other. Experience designer. Product Designer. Designer. Art Director. What do they mean? What are the qualities? It seems like the industry is looking for a flying dolphin to do them ALL.



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- **Cashflow**
- **Conflict**
- **Competition**
- **Culture**
- **Change**

INDUSTRY & SOCIETAL CONTEXT

**“People now make their own brands – not for a profit,
or shareholder value – but for a mission or movement.
This shifts power and control to the individual.”**




Debbie Millman, @debbiemillman

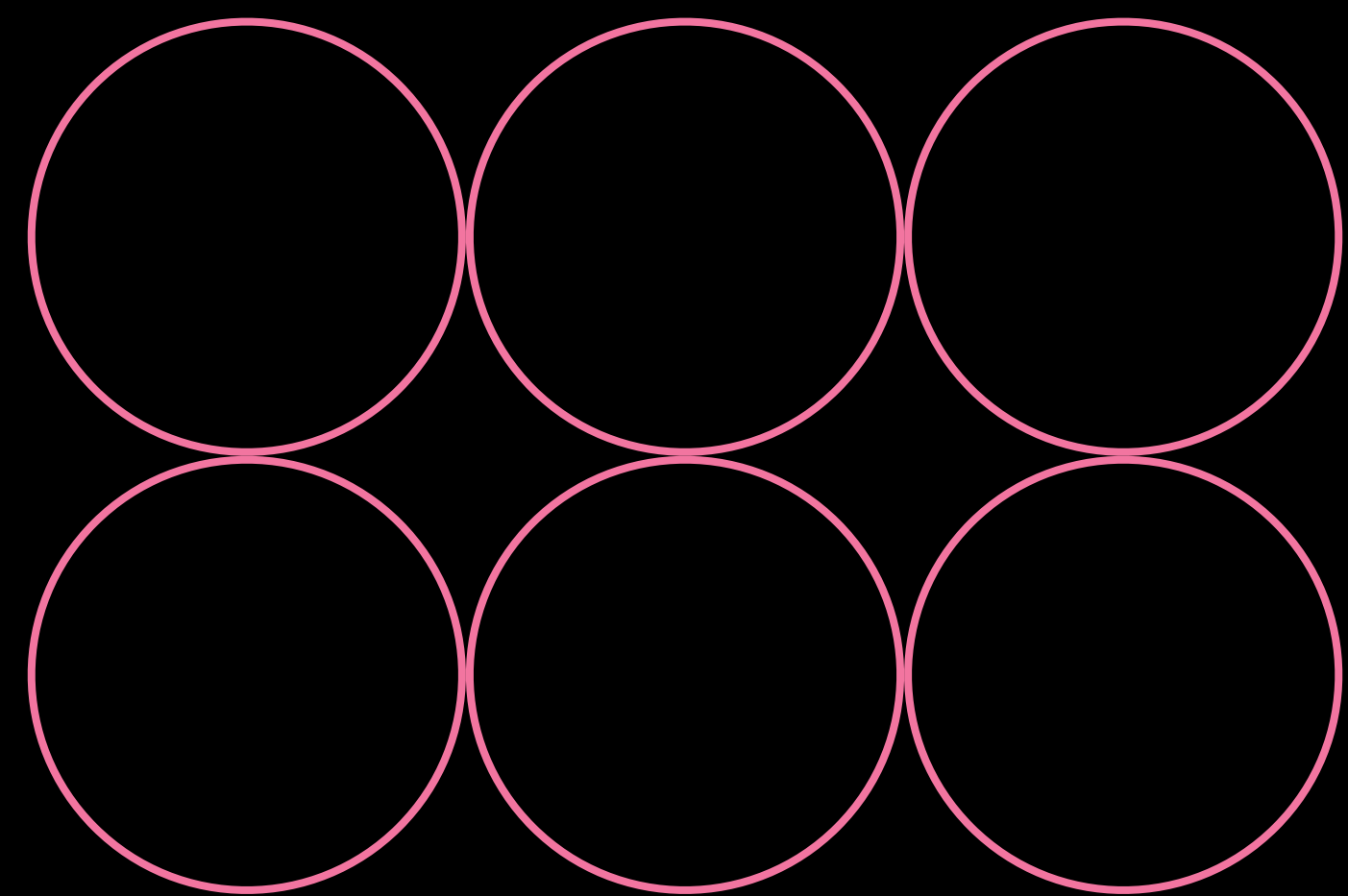
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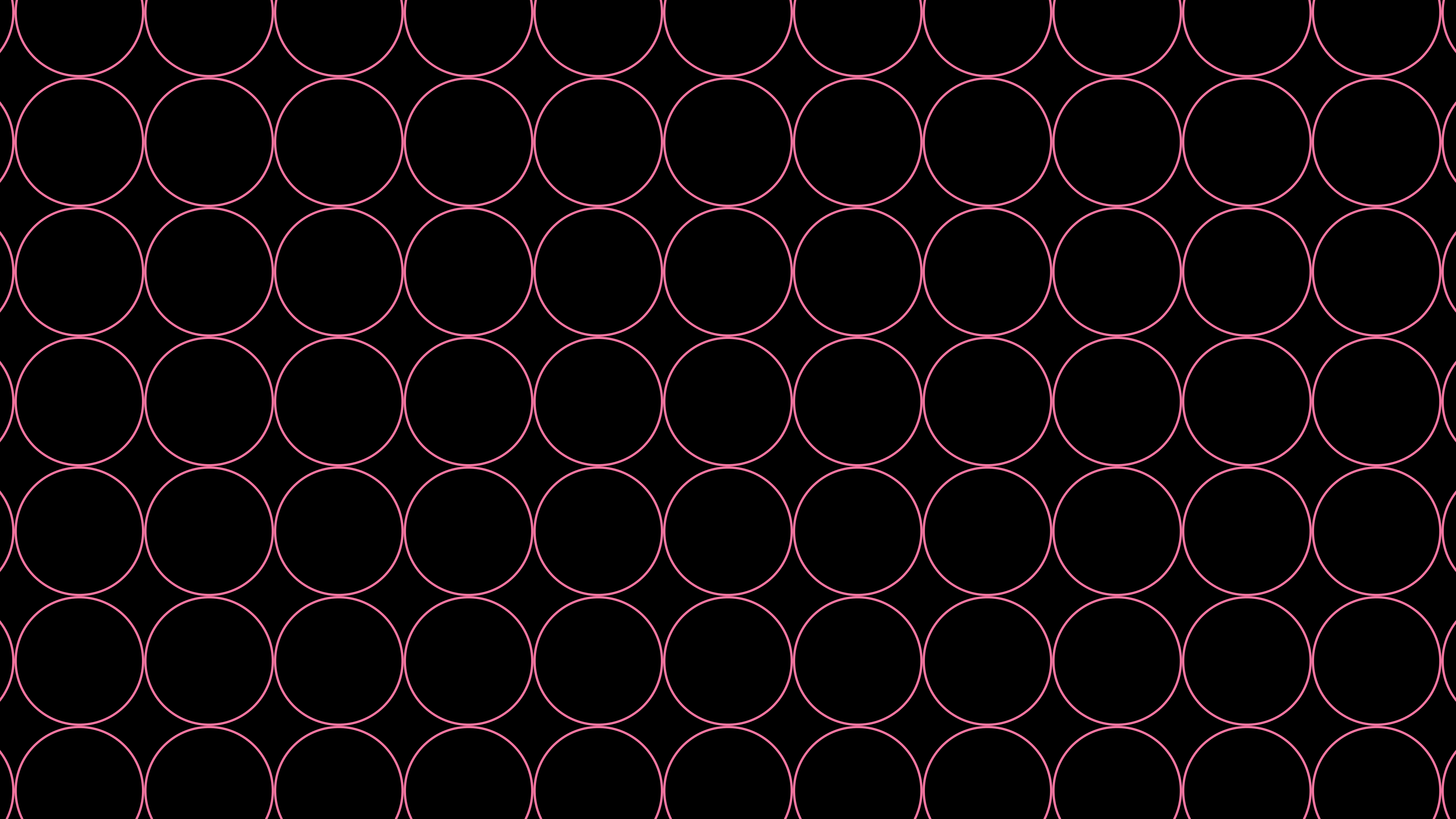
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New York, NY

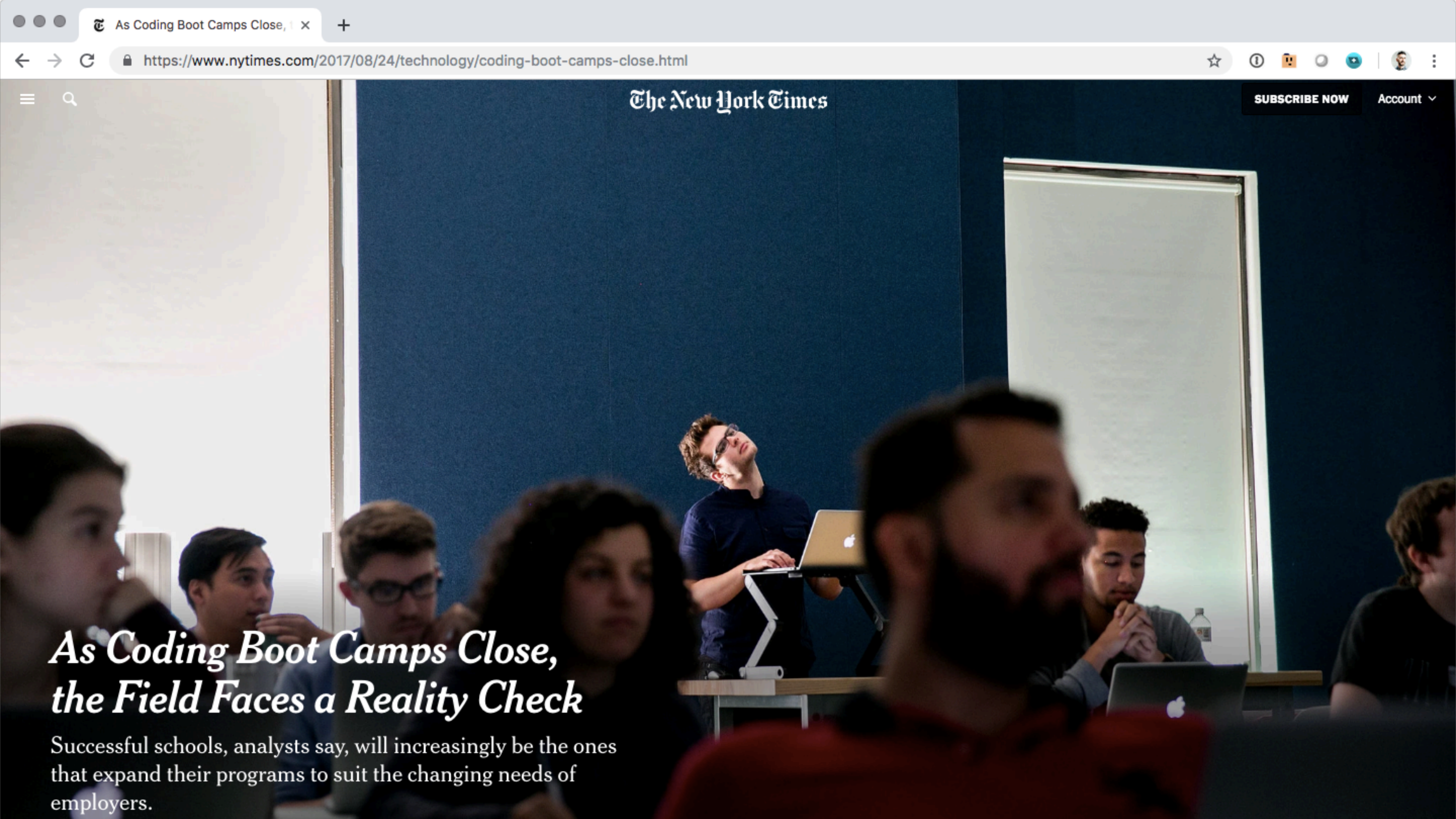


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LITTLE GIRLS
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NEVER DOUBT THAT
YOU ARE VALUABLE
POWERFUL DESERVING
OF EVERY CHANCE
IN THE WORLD









As Coding Boot Camps Close, the Field Faces a Reality Check

Successful schools, analysts say, will increasingly be the ones that expand their programs to suit the changing needs of employers.



VENTURE CAPITAL

The Era of "Move Fast and Break Things" Is Over

by Hemant Taneja

JANUARY 22, 2019

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Executive Summary

Hemant Taneja of General Catalyst argues that the era of "move fast and break things" is over; that in the wake of the Facebook scandal, the public is less tolerant of tech startups that ignore the societal ramifications of their innovations; and that VCs should analyze not only for market size and product viability, but for whether founders show sufficient foresight and concern about the unintended consequences of the ideas they are pursuing. Instead of just "minimum viable products," today VCs need to screen for "minimum virtuous products." The author offers eight questions to help VCs identify entrepreneurs who can meet this evolving need.

WHAT TO READ NEXT

[Which Countries Are Leading the Data Economy?](#)

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“The user experience doesn’t end at the edges of the screen.”



Nick Fink, @nickf
Lead UXDI instructor, General Assembly
Seattle, WA

INTEGRATION STARTS WITH... YOU

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User Manual for

Cassie Robinson

Conditions I like to work in

I like a quiet working environment. I find it hard to do work that requires my concentration if there is a lot of noise and distractions

I like having my own desk space

I find it hard to work in heated rooms, and love fresh air (windows open etc)

The times/hours I like to work

I am trying to start my work day at 10am so that I can have 2 hrs from 8-10am in the mornings to do things like exercise and meditation etc.

I work best in the evenings

I don't mind being contacted at any time but I will likely only respond during week daytimes and evenings

My diary is open and accessible so everyone can see my availability. I don't mind people booking things in my diary if I am free

The best ways to communicate with me

Slack is the quickest way to get a response from me

I will never answer my phone, but I look at text messages

I keep on top of my emails each week and usually respond within a few days at the latest.

The ways I like to receive feedback

I'd rather have difficult conversations than things be unspoken or inauthentic, so just be straight with me

I like receiving feedback face-to-face

I see all feedback as a learning opportunity so I like any feedback to include examples and also suggestions on how I / it could be better/different

Things I need

I love ideas sessions with people, where we can freely think about what is possible without the if's and but's

I need time to reflect

Authenticity - I find it really hard to be around bullshit, inconsistency or incongruence

Things I struggle with

I'm an introvert so working "in the open" is something I have to work hard at

Too much critiquing and logical reasoning drains my energy

If I don't understand the wider purpose behind why we are doing something, I find it hard to engage with

Unnecessary process - I love agile and design-lead process however, it's not always necessary. I like minimum-viable-process - what is enough?

Things I love

I like hearing what others are working on and connecting up the dots of what we are doing

I love organising team things - birthday gifts, evenings out etc.

A generative, risk-taking culture that has a flag in the ground about what it stands for

Quarterly team away days

Other things to know about me

I use my intuition a lot to make decisions

My favourite saying is "the sum of the whole is greater than the sum of the parts."

I am an INFP / INFJ cusp

I don't like or drink tea

I bring my whole self to work (we should chat about what this means to me)

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CONTENT STRATEGY EVERYWHERE



Citymapper - the ulti...

Version 5.5.1, 33.0 MB

Jul 17, 2015

UPDATE

There was a cool feature called GO
On every trip page did you know
But it caused a few bugs
That required some tugs
That are now fixed so please update yo
(badabing)

Connection trouble

Apologies, we're having some trouble with your WebSocket connection.

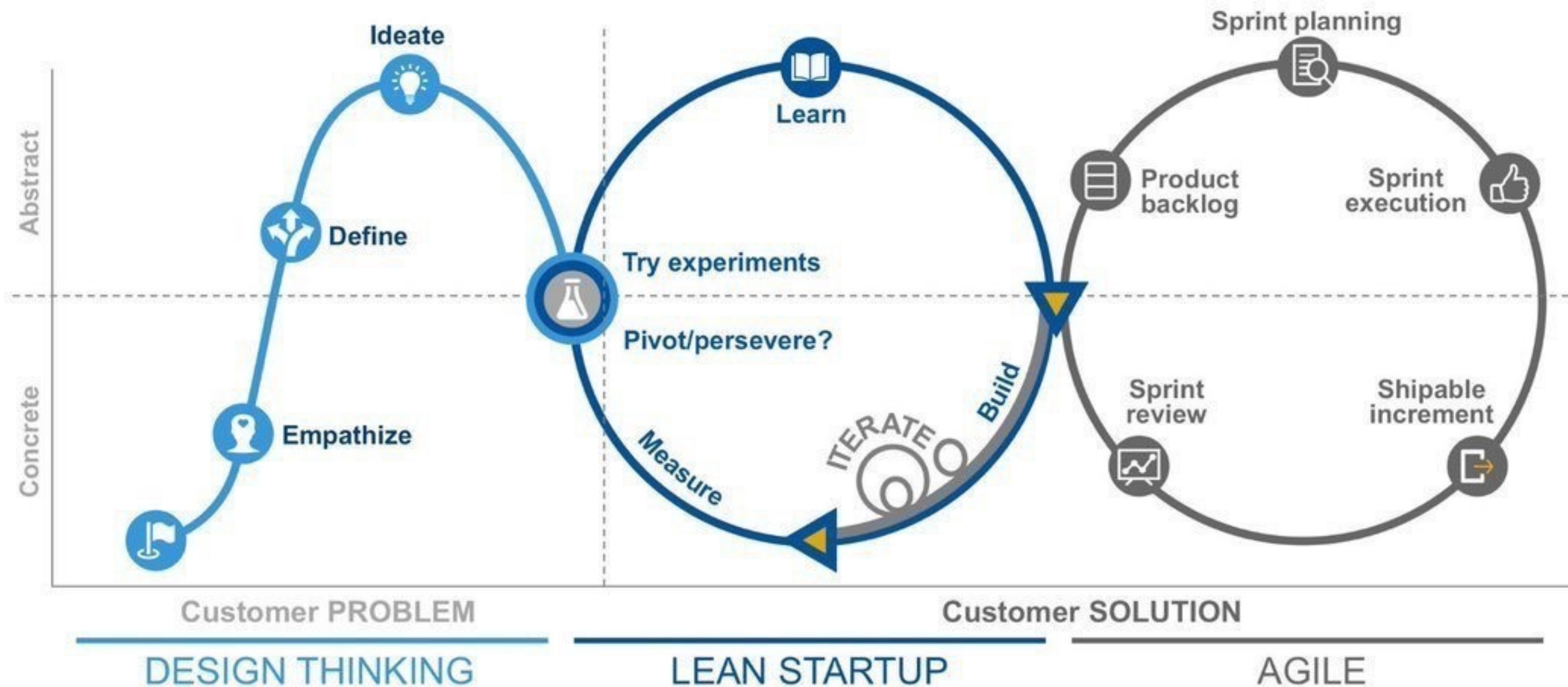
We've seen this problem clear up with a restart of Slack, a solution which we suggest to you now only with great regret and self-loathing.

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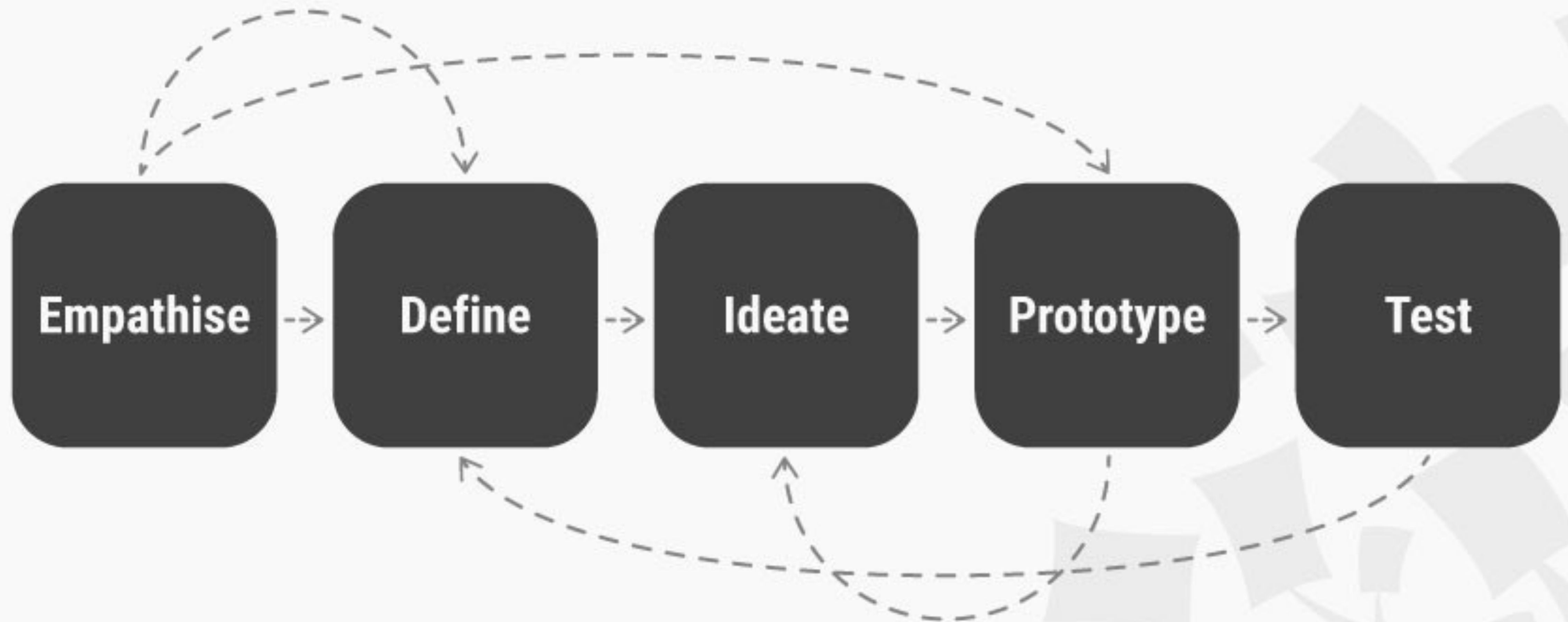
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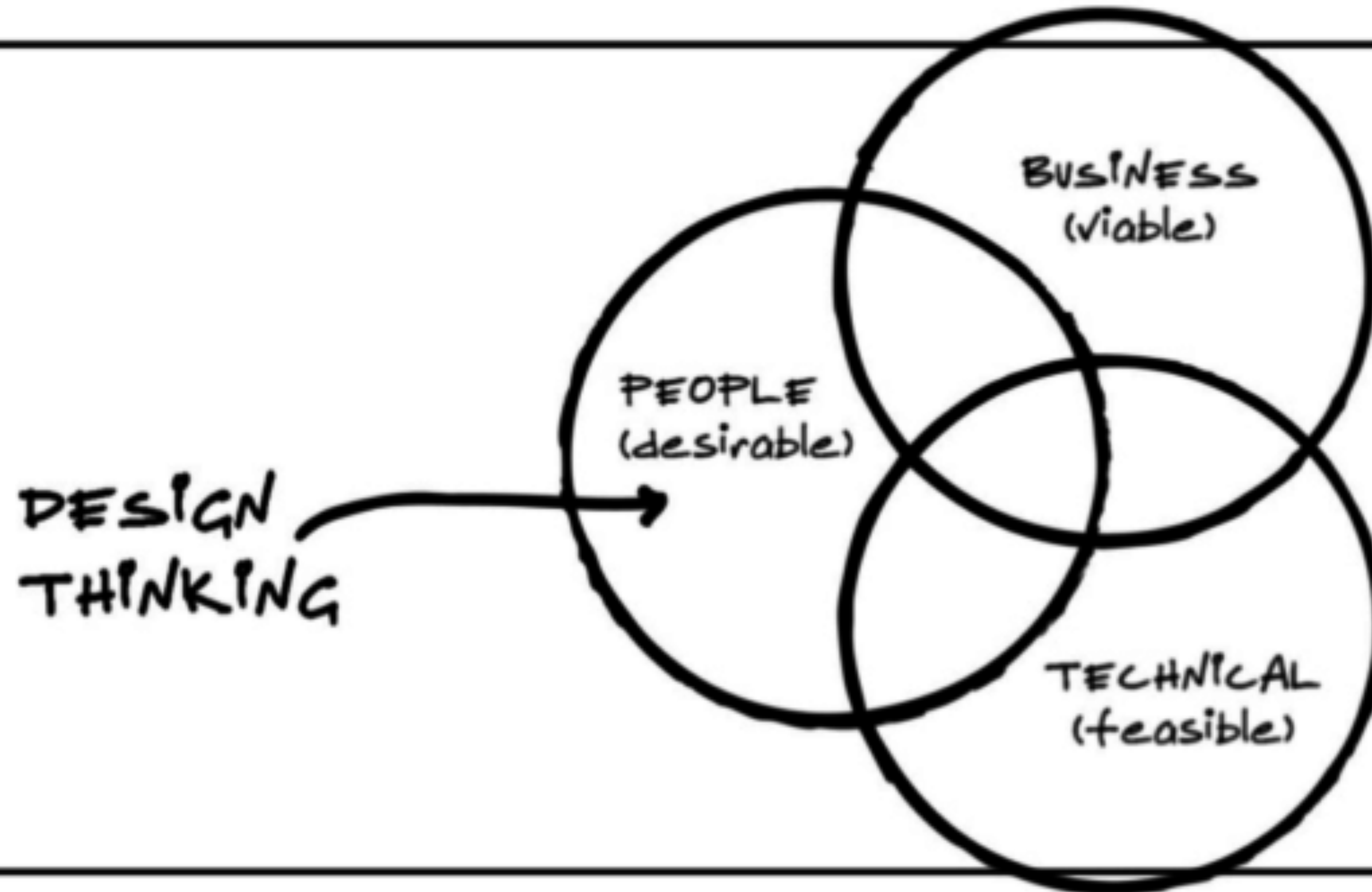
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Design Thinking: A 5 Stage Process



DESIGN THINKING BEGINS WITH INSIGHTS ABOUT PEOPLE.



THE CREATIVE PROCESS



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CULTIVATE A GROWTH MINDSET

"Failure is an
opportunity to grow"

GROWTH MINDSET

"I can learn to do anything I want"

"Challenges help me to grow"

"My effort and attitude
determine my abilities"

"Feedback is constructive"

"I am inspired by the success of others"

"I like to try
new things"

"Failure is the
limit of my abilities"

FIXED MINDSET

"I'm either good at it or I'm not"

"My abilities are unchanging"

"I don't like to be challenged"

"I can either do it,
or I can't"

"My potential is predetermined"

"When I'm frustrated,
I give up"

"Feedback and criticism
are personal"

"I stick to what I know"

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about business success than a whole shelf full of books."

—BILL GATES

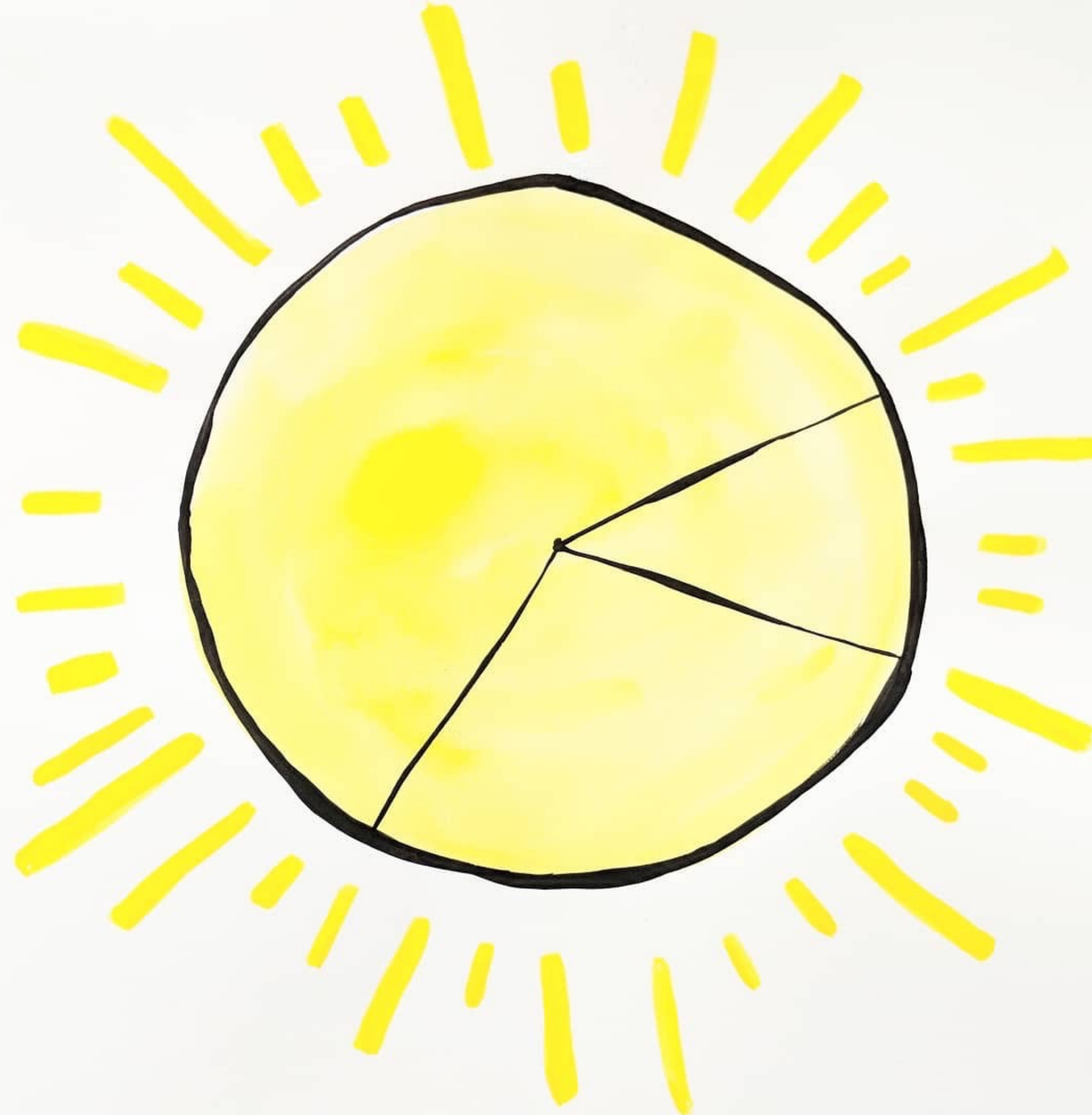
"A must read for every leader." —JACK WELCH

*The Ten
Commandments
for Business*
Failure

DONALD R. KEOUGH

Former President of The Coca-Cola Company

FOREWORD BY WARREN BUFFETT



FAILURE is
DATA

**“All life is an experiment.
The more experiments you make, the better.”**



Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844

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DIVERSE, INCLUSIVE TEAMS

- **Increased financial returns**
- **Smarter**
- **More innovative**
- **Fun**



Black



White



Gay



Straight



Religious



Atheist



You

“Diversity and design share the purpose of creating for someone else. If you’re creating for only one user, you’re not affecting as much change as you could.”



Candi Castleberry Singleton, @candi
VP of Intersectionality, Culture, and Diversity, Twitter
San Francisco, CA

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JOIN NETWORKED COMMUNITIES





DesignOps Summit



DesignOps
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A design systems community conference

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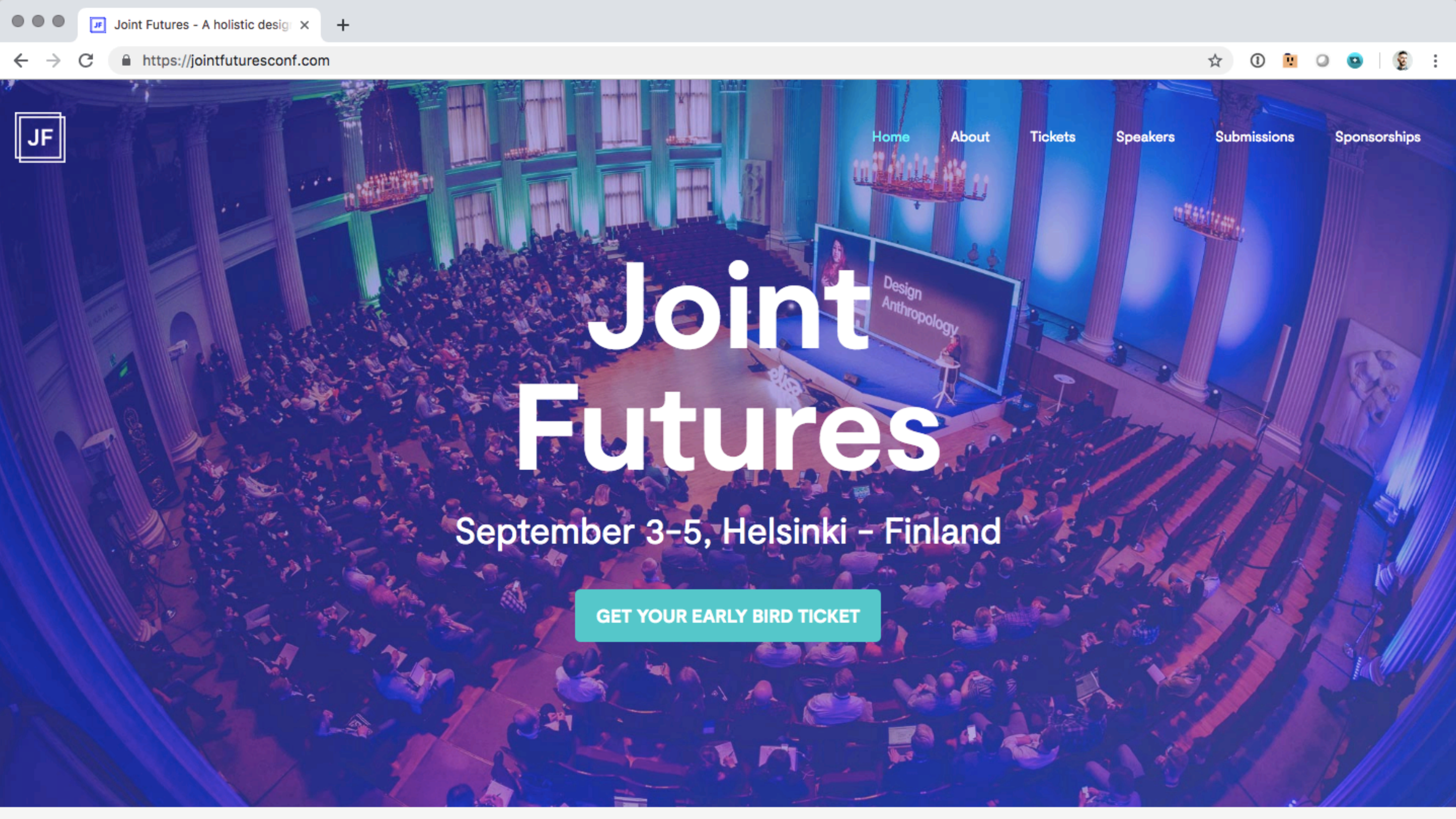
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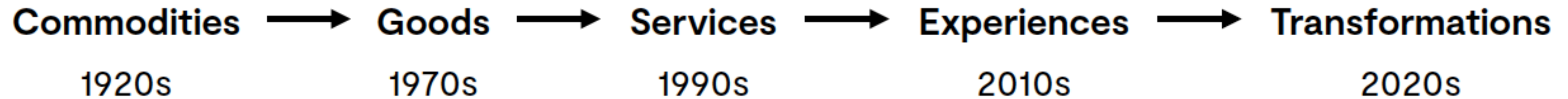
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Transparent

Data, Process

Lack of transparency erodes trust in a product. We can prevent this erosion by demanding that the products we design are clear and honest about the data that's being collected from users and why it's being collected, how this data will be used, and avoiding dark patterns that exploit human psychological vulnerabilities.



- **Design's value will continue its increase**
- **From “me” to “we”**
- **Ethical design & business practices**
- **People persist**

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