Incubators

- Usually only open to some set of people
  - Universities
  - Regions
- Provides early stage help (real estate, resources)
- Rolling entries and exits

Accelerators

- Consequence of rush for "series A" funding

- Receives a stake in the company in return for investment

- Competitive entry

- Class-based, ends in a public presentation

- Still evolving

2017 ACCELERATOR RANKINGS

PLATINUM

PLUS

AngelPad Y

AngelPad
Y Combinator

ALCHEMIST ACCELERATOR AMPLIFY MuckerLab

StartX techstars NVC

Alchemist
Amplify LA
Mucker Lab
StartX
Techstars
U. Chicago New Venture
Challenge

GOLD

500 g HAX Healthbox

INDIE BIO MC MASSCHALLENGE R/GA SKYDECK

500 Startups
gener8tor
HAX
Healthbox
IndieBio
MassChallenge
R/GA
SkyDeck

Accelerator outcomes

- Models that have worked:
  - Techstars
    - Daily Burn, Foodzie
  - Y-Combinator
    - Air BnB, Reddit
- Y-combinatory & Techstars (Sheryl Winston-Smith)
  - Faster to get funding
  - More likely to fail or success
  - Founders are more mobile afterward
- Vast majority of accelerators seem to fail