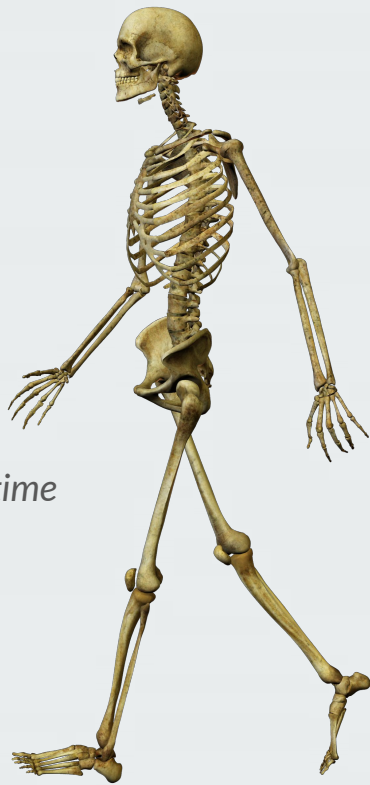


Walking Skeleton

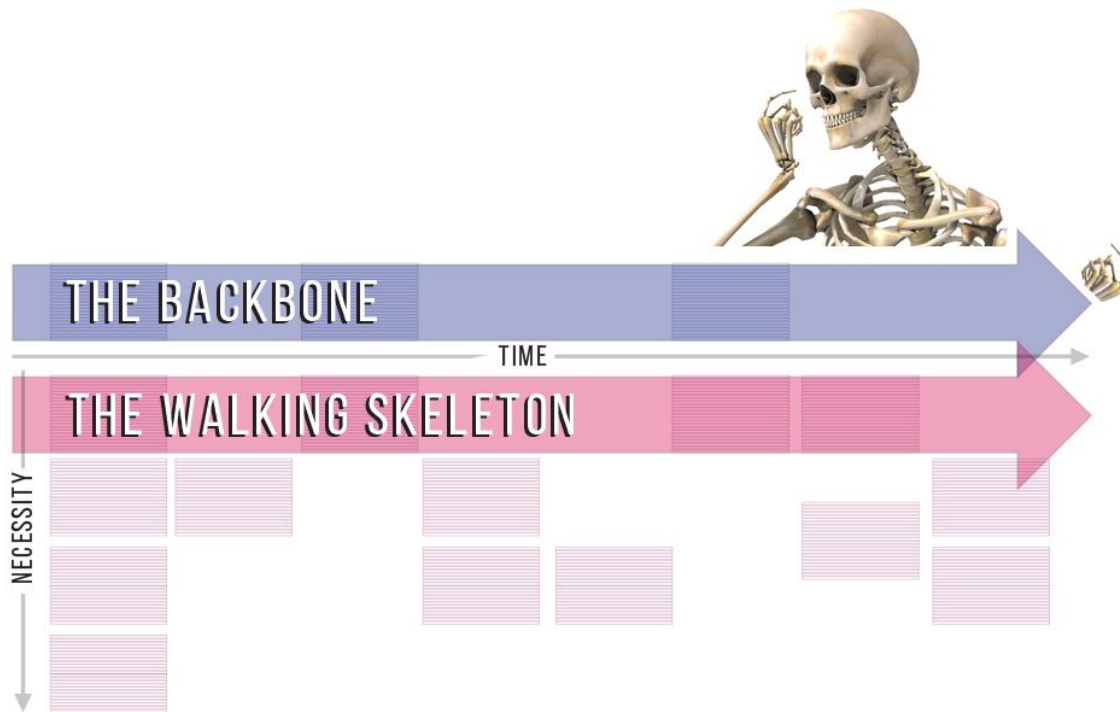
Building just the right features at the right time



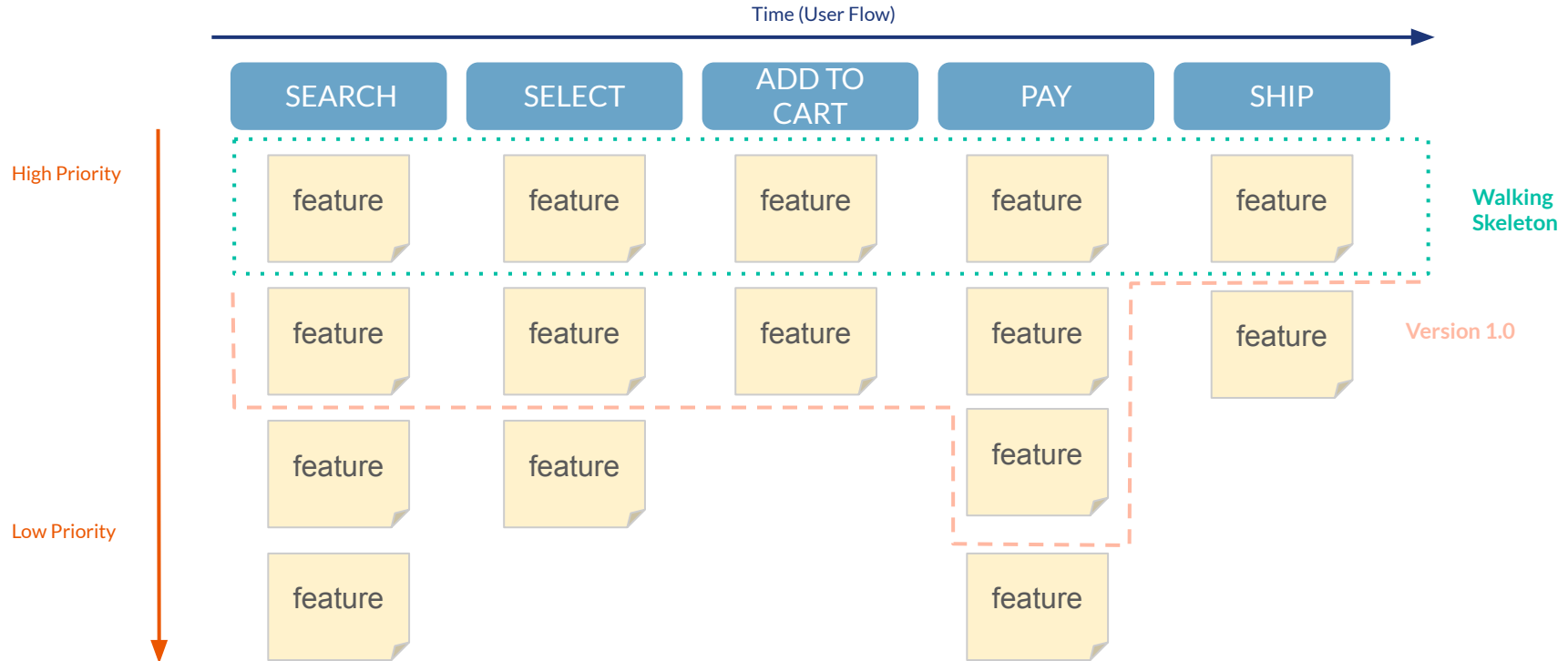
What is the skeleton?

An **end-to-end mapping** of a user journey, accompanied by the set of features required to complete the journey.

Features are plotted by **sequence** and **necessity**. Then, they are carved out into development increments (sprints & releases).



Example: Buy a book

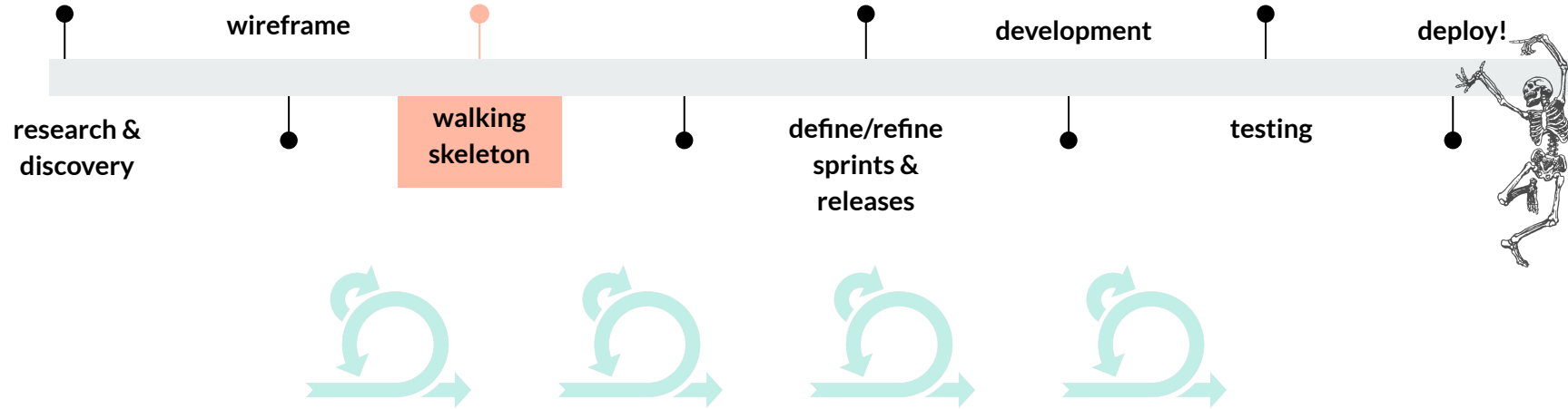




Why do this?

- 1 Reality check!
- 2 Informs architecture & development decisions
- 3 Reveals dependencies, risks & trade-offs
- 4 Early visibility of a real use case
- 5 Brings clarity to collaboration
- 6 Faster feedback & validation on assumptions

General Workflow





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