

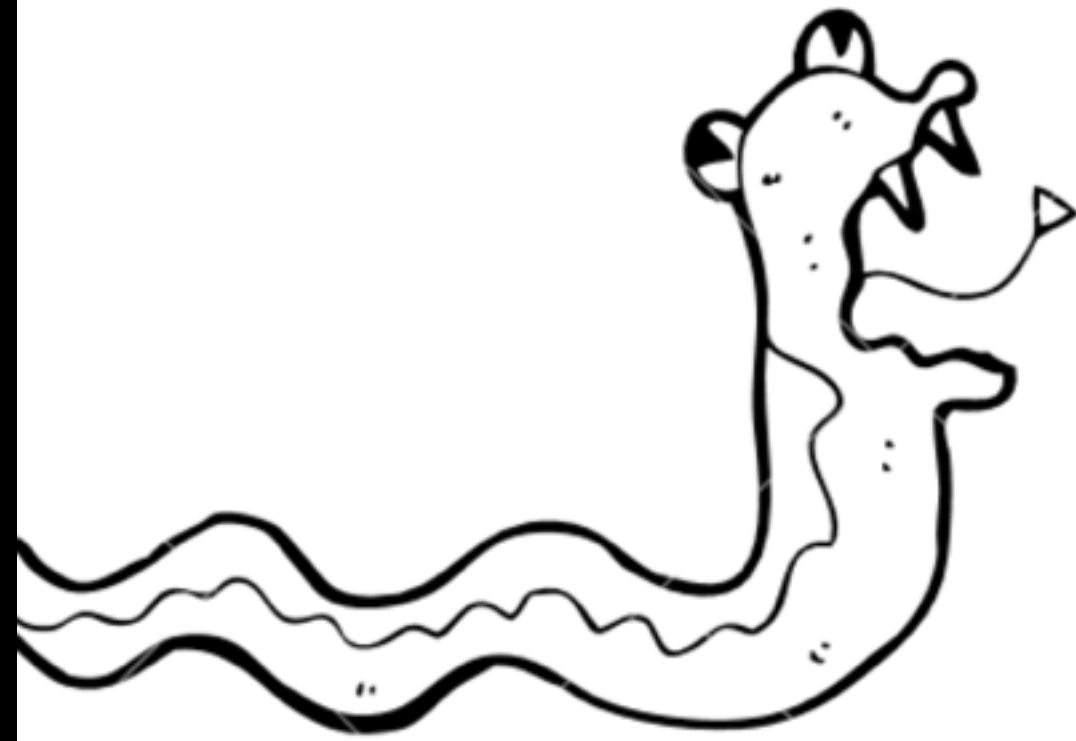
Rapid Prototyping

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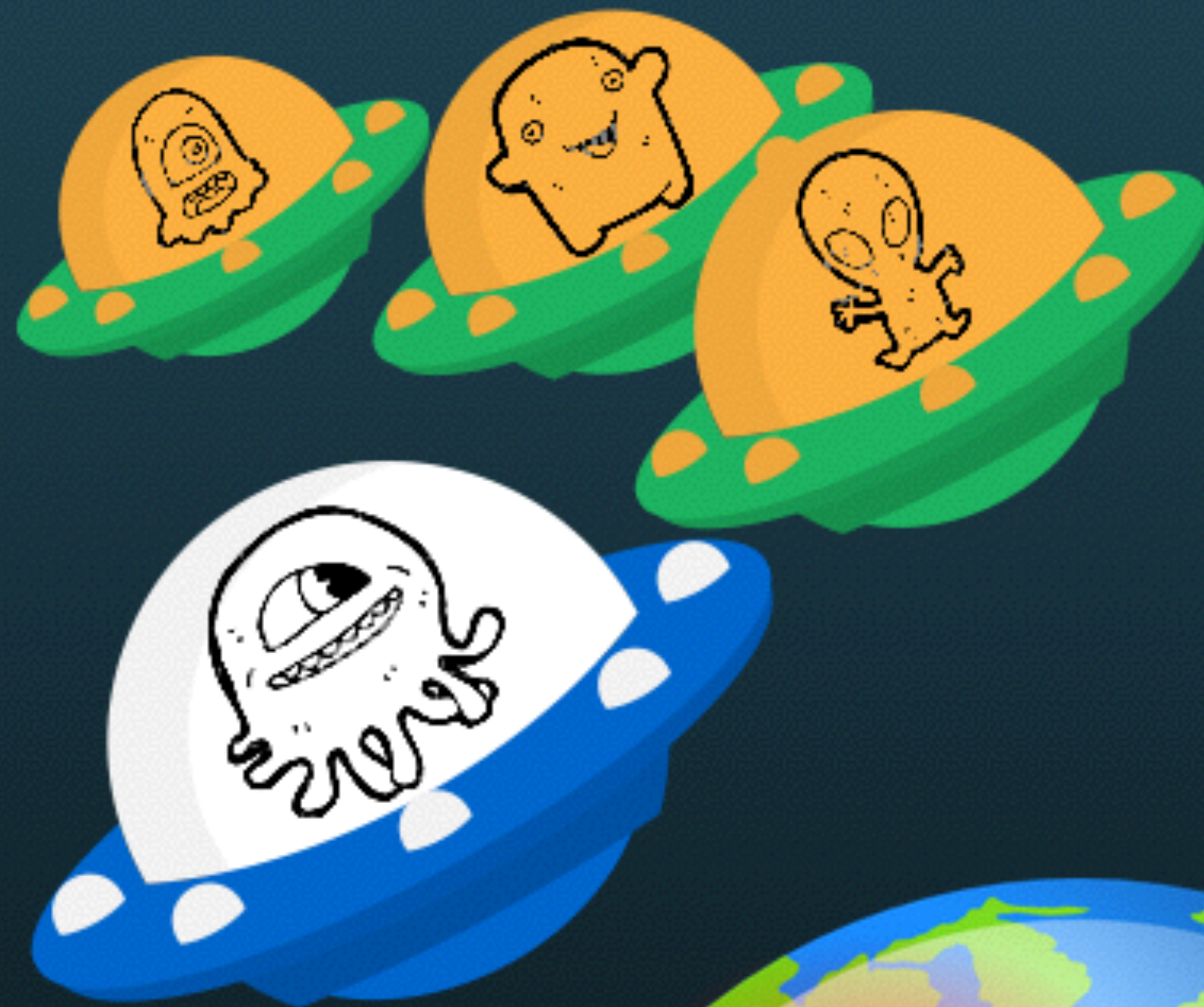
SNAKES AREN'T SO SCARY



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$> shield.activate()  
$> armies.notify()
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SAVE THE WORLD. LEARN TO CODE.

CODE:

A SYSTEMATIC
COLLECTION OF
LAWS OR
REGULATIONS

DON'T BE A PART OF THE SYSTEM.
HACK THE SYSTEM.

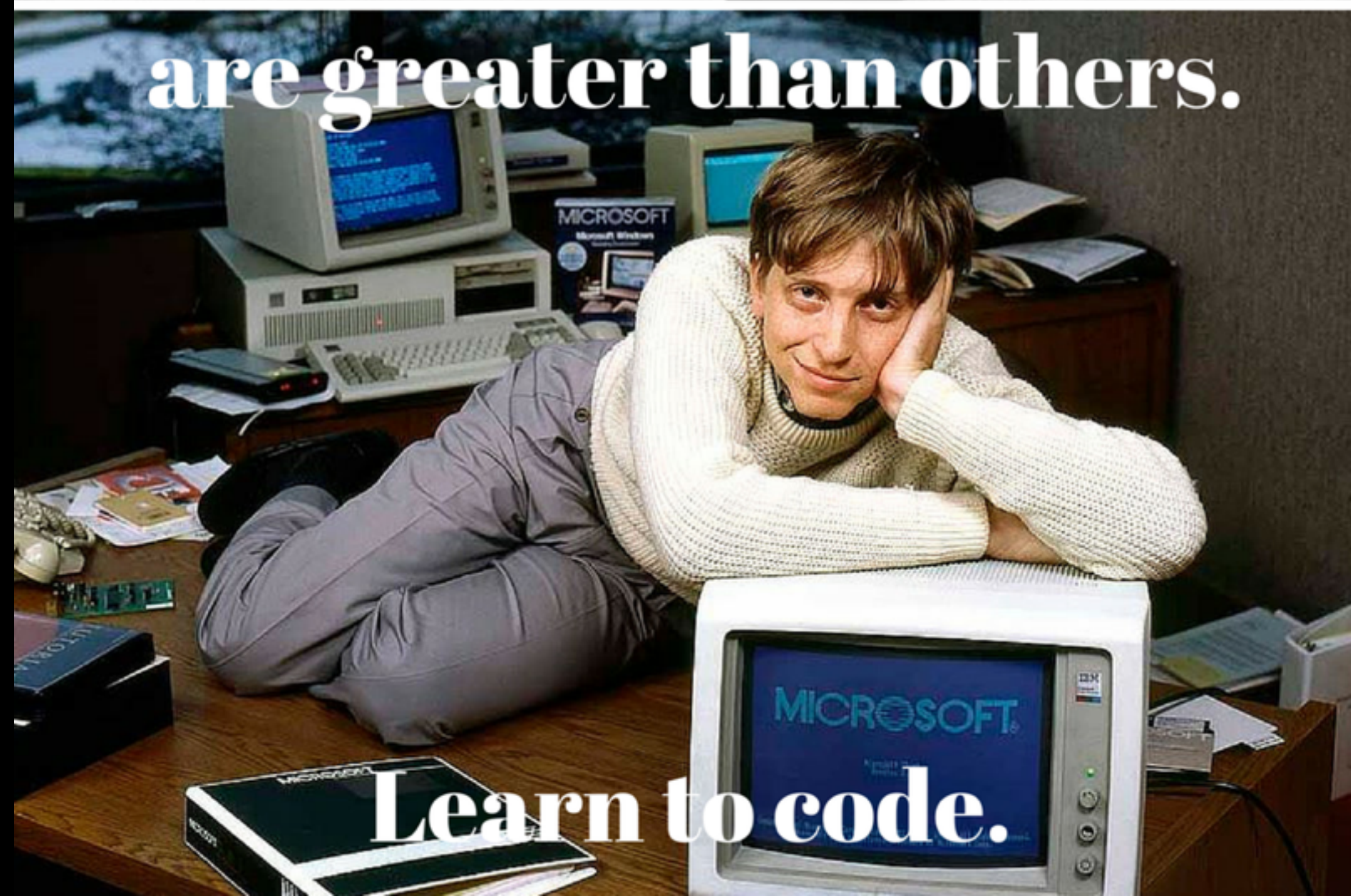
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Some challenges
are greater than others.



Learn to code.

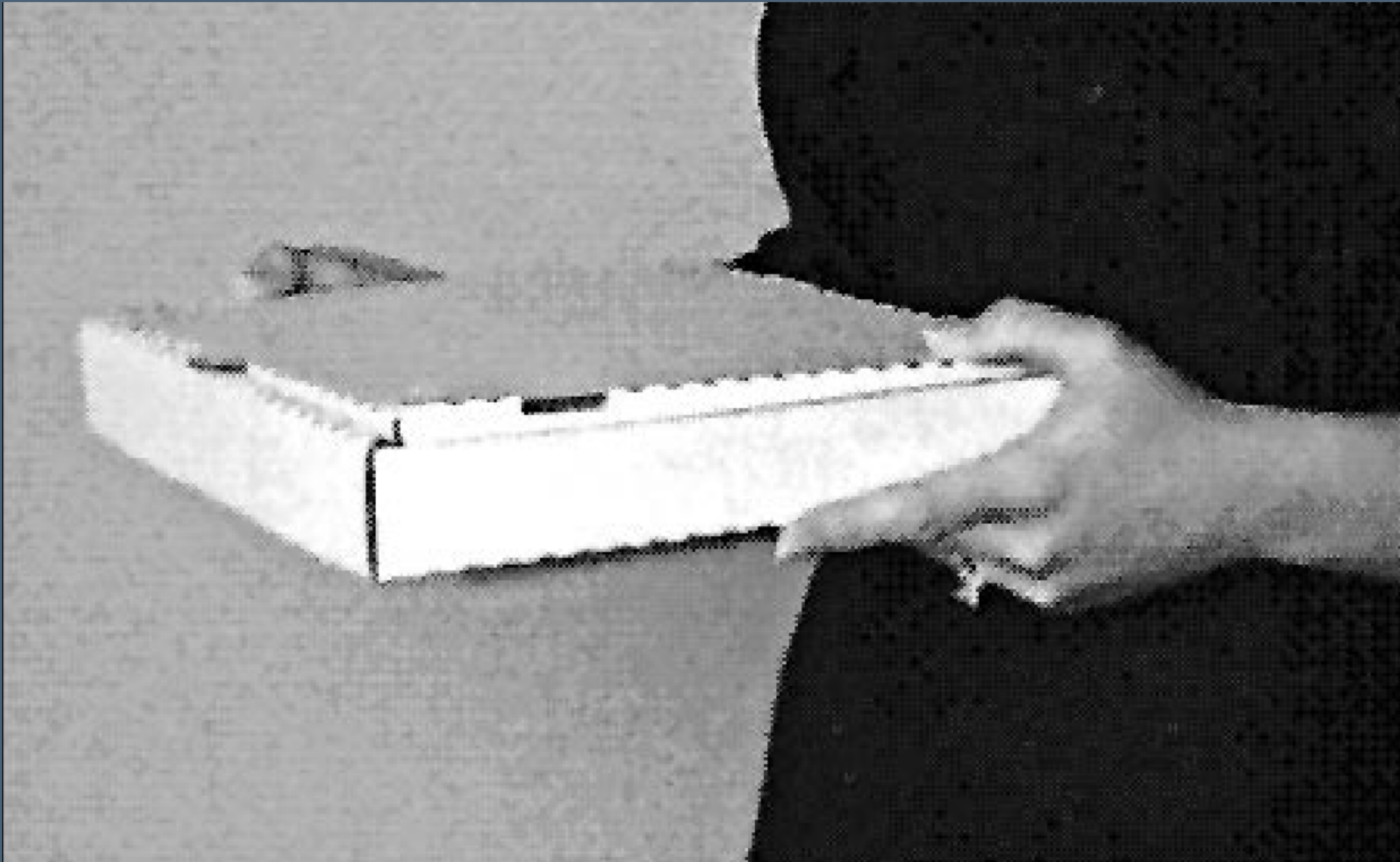
Recall: your prototype's question

- All prototypes can only ask a single question.
- Ask yourself: what's the core question you need to answer about your idea?
- Flesh out the elements relevant to that question, and get rid of or fake everything else.

Use the question to focus

- Typically you're trying to convey an experience, not a piece of software
- This means you can wizard-of-oz, fake, and cardboard your way through many aspects of a prototype

Prototype as rapidly as possible



Apple Architect's Laptop
Houde & Hill 2000

Prototype with a deadline

- CS 147: take a week (~10,000 minutes)
- CS 247: take fifteen minutes
- About 650 times faster.
- By necessity, less deep, but I promise you will learn nearly as much.

Today: rapid prototypes

- Today's exercise will prove to you that you can produce compelling experience prototypes under a strict time limit.
- Never settle for slower prototypes.

Repeatedly prototype at increasing fidelity

1 min 10 min 30 min 3 hr 1 day 3 days 1 week ...

