



HACK YC Amsterdam OUR FUTURE

Session #4: Generating ideas (and how to present)

Topic:

In this session you'll be challenged to think about how to add new features to existing software. You'll learn about what a feature is, how to develop user stories from it, and how to present it to others. After, you'll play around with a public API to build a small application.

What to focus on:

- How do you present your ideas in a clear and summarized way?
- How to look at software from a user's perspective?
- How to use public APIs?

Write out a step by step plan to using a public API (include at least 3 steps):

- * First we should explore capabilities of the Api to see if it covers our need.
- * Second we should read the documentation thoroughly to learn how to use it as intended.
- * Third we should experiment with queries and see how the responses are in order to work with them.
- * For last we should implement some features to not abuse the rate-limit if the framework we use doesn't implement them by default.

What are things to watch for when presenting your ideas to others? Name at least 2:

- * We should be clear and precise.
- * We should present our ideas in a systematic way that leaves no obscurity.

What is a user story? Give an example using the HackYourFuture website:

- * As a user I want to be able to search for the names of mentors, because scrolling through them takes time.