PROBLEM	SOLUTION	VALUE PROPOSITION		UNFAIR ADVANTAGE	CUSTOMER SEGMENTS
EXISTING ALTERNATIVES	KEY METRICS	HIGH LEVEL CONCEPT		CHANNELS	EARLY ADOPTERS
COST STRUCTURE			REVENUE STREAMS		

KEY METRICS

User Acquisition

Download Rate
Source of Acquisition

User Engagement

Daily/Monthly Active Users (DAU/MAU)

Session Length

Frequency of Use

Repeat Users/Retention Rate

User Satisfaction

Net Promoter Score (NPS)

Customer Reviews and Ratings

Feedback and Survey Responses:

CHANNELS

App Stores

Social Media

Online Advertising

Content Marketing

Referral Programs

University affiliations

University partnerships
Student organizations and clubs
Educational websites/forums
Educational exhibitions and fairs

CUSTOMER SEGMENTS

Students

First-Year University Students

International Students

Graduate Students

Non-Traditional Students

Parents of University Students

High School Seniors

Universities and Educational Institutions

University Advisors and Counselors

Student Organizations and Clubs

COST STRUCTURE

Product Team Salaries

Operational Expenses

Technology and Tool Licenses
Hosting and Infrastructure
Maintenance and Updates

Marketing & Advertising

Customer Support
Analytics and User Feedback Tools

Legal and Compliance

Staff Development

Continuing education
Training
Corporate culture

Miscellaneous & forgotten

REVENUE STREAMS

User pay

Subscription Model

Freemium Model

In-App Purchases

3rd-party pay

Advertising

Sponsorships and Partnerships

Data Insights

Educational Institution Partnerships

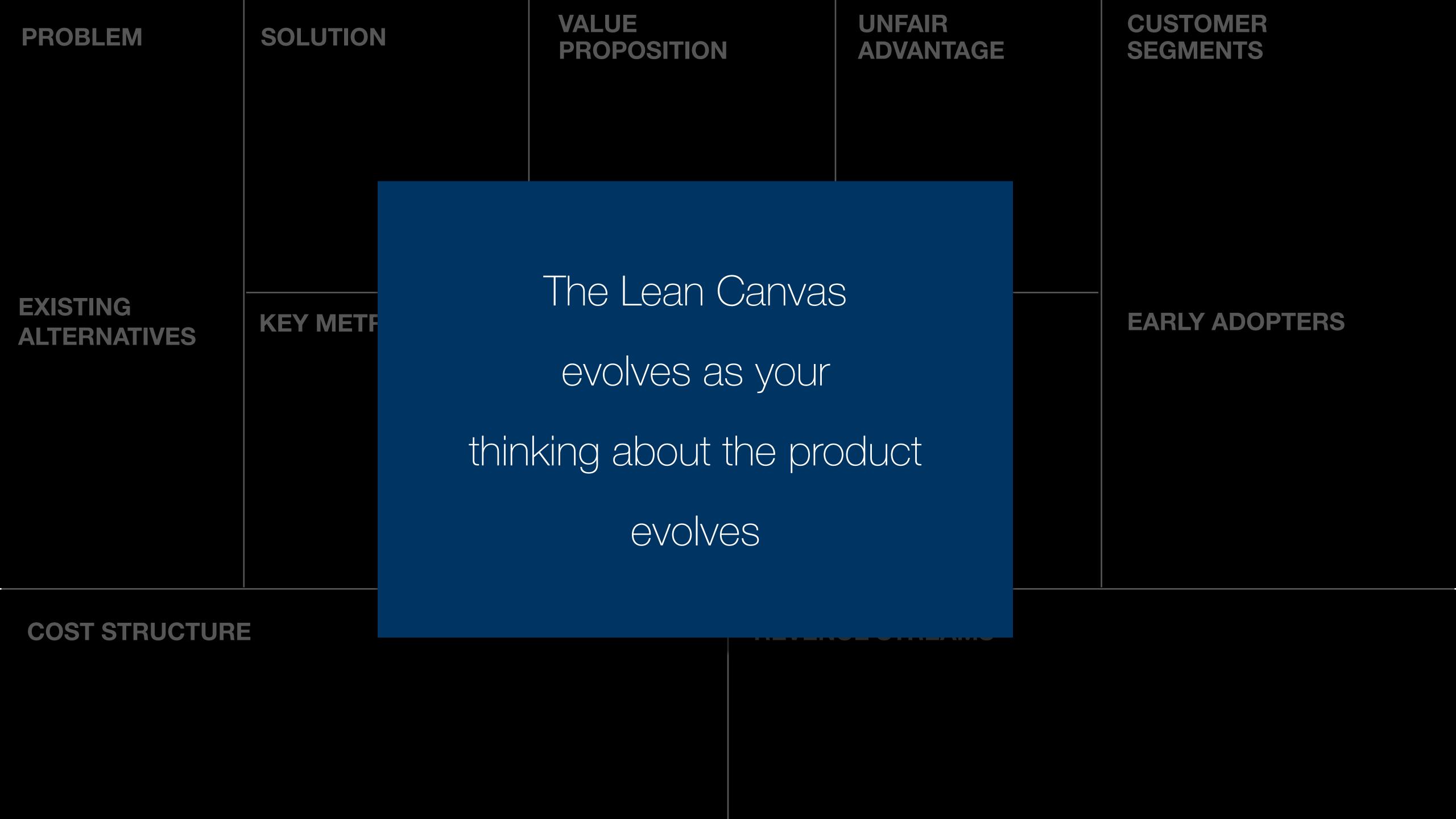
Per transaction pay

Merchandising

Affiliate Marketing

Workshops and Webinars





dummy model

practice round sample

Frankenstein first attempt

hero experiment

straw model lo-res

rough draft Prototyping rehearsal

iteration first draft

hack roadmap

trial run pseudocode

mockup test

Crystallizing your ideas

Validating a foundation

Build - Measure - Learn

Getting feedback from users

Build - Measure - Learn

MVP

Build Measure Learn BEFORE

Planning

What do you want to know?

How will you find out?

DURING

Guiding

Say, don't sell

Resist defending/justifying

Stepping back

Listen & observe

Have multiple note-takers

Planning

What will you change/add/clarify?

What will you prioritize next?

Build Measure Learn

Sketchs

Paper mockups

Digital mockups

Proof of Concept

MVP Alpha Beta First Release

A prop supporting verbal explanation

A demo with verbal explanation

Sketchs

Paper mockups

Digital mockups

Proof of Concept

Show

How the user will see the product

An element you want to get a reaction for

Look for / Amplify

Common themes

Things they didn't say

Capture

What was most appealing to them? What didn't they understand?

Avoid / Reduce

Confirmation bias
Rationalization



Tight focus | Problem to be solved, ideal user

Loose focus | Method to solve it



Minimum Viable Product | Only the biggest problem(s)

Get samplers & snackers

Launching = learning = customers trying something



It's about the customer more than the code

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