# COMPANY TYPES OVERVIEW

#### Company Types

- Big "4"
- Medium Size Companies
- Startups
  - 1-15 Employees
  - Well-Funded "Startups"

# Big "4"

- Several Companies
  - Microsoft
  - Facebook
  - Amazon
  - Apple
  - Google/Alphabet

# Big "4"

- Culture varies greatly between all of them
- Check out Glassdoor reviews for specific information on each of them

# Big "4"

- They recruit heavily from the top 5-10 Universities (U.S. News. Rankings)
- Management structure in place
- On boarding process
- Decisions at the company level take share-holders into account
- Huge amount of applicants

## **Medium Size Companies**

- Local companies
  - May have satellite offices
- May be a stronger focus on profitability
- Management structure can possibly be more informal
  - Try to ask about this during your interview

## Start-ups (Small)

- Lower Salaries but higher equity
- Keep in mind high probability of failure (~90%)
- Equity can be complicated, check out:
  - http://stockoptioncounsel.com/
- You will learn a lot
- You will also work a lot
- People are key at this stage

## Well-funded Startups

- Salaries can be comparable to Big 4
- Equity at this stage is even more complicated
- For a good list of companies at this stage
  - https://breakoutlist.com/
- Keep in mind funding doesn't guarantee success

#### Conclusion

- Always research the companies beforehand
- Think about work/life balance and what your long term career goals are
- We'll touch on this topic again later on in the course!
- Up next: Job Types