Introduction to IT Business Analysis

Role, Responsibilities, Concepts

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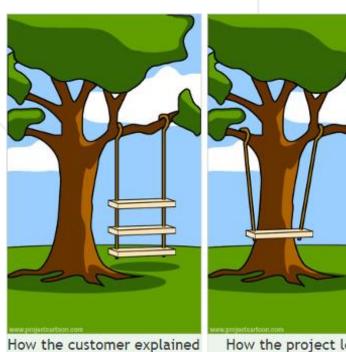


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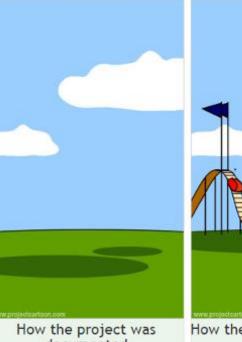
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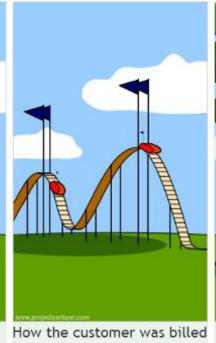
Real life IT Projects





How the programmer wrote







How the project leader understood it

documented

needed

How to avoid this?

The IT Business Analyst



IT Business Analyst

An IT business analyst works across both business and IT to provide technology solutions.

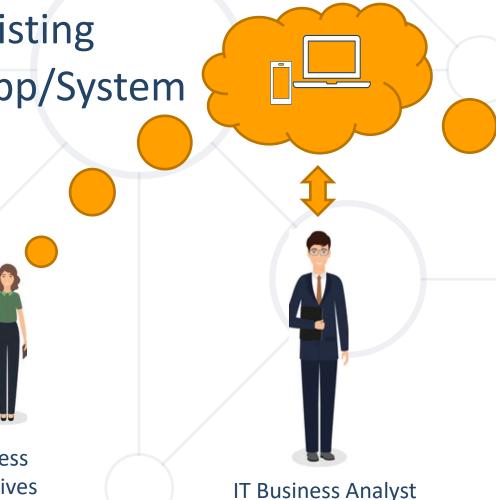
They analyze IT team capabilities and the business' current processes, models and strategies, then help to design, build and implement new tech solutions.

Bridge between Business and IT



New Mobile app/Web app/System

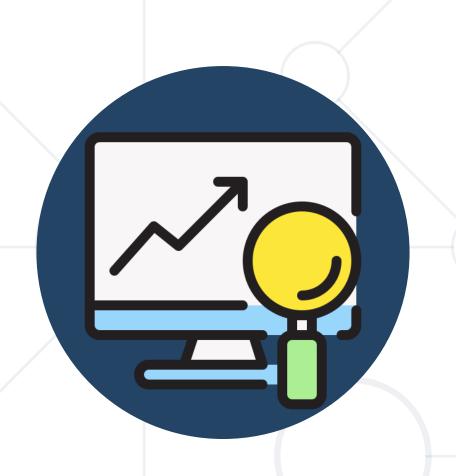
Improvement of existing Mobile app/Web app/System



Bank Business Representatives



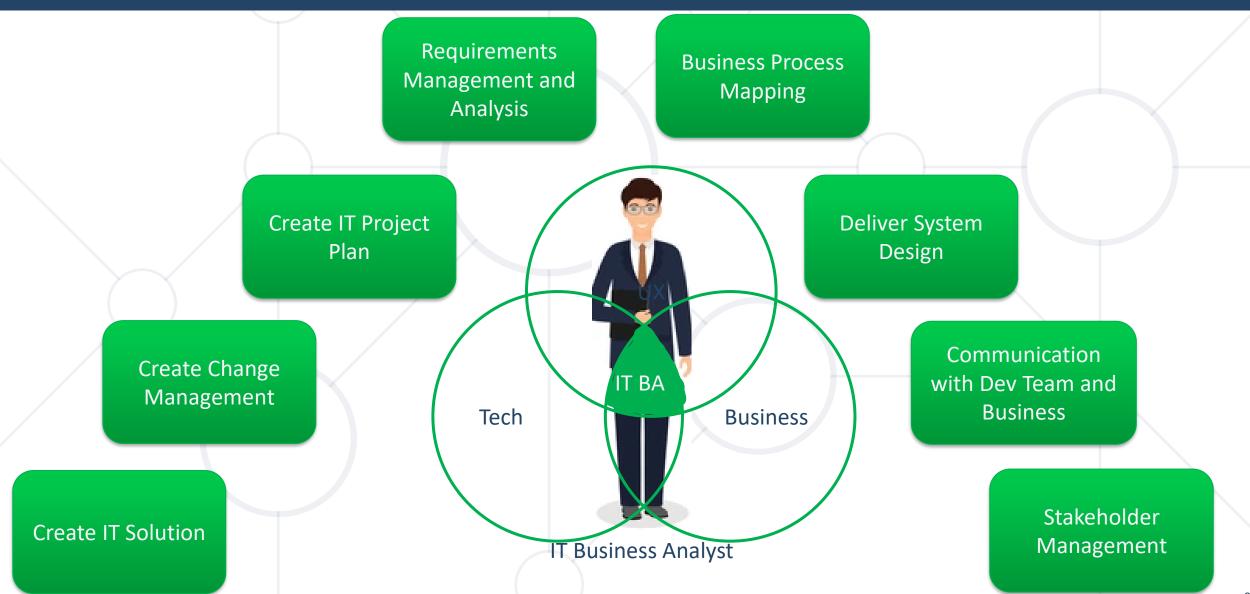
IT Development



What responsibilities does the IT BA have?

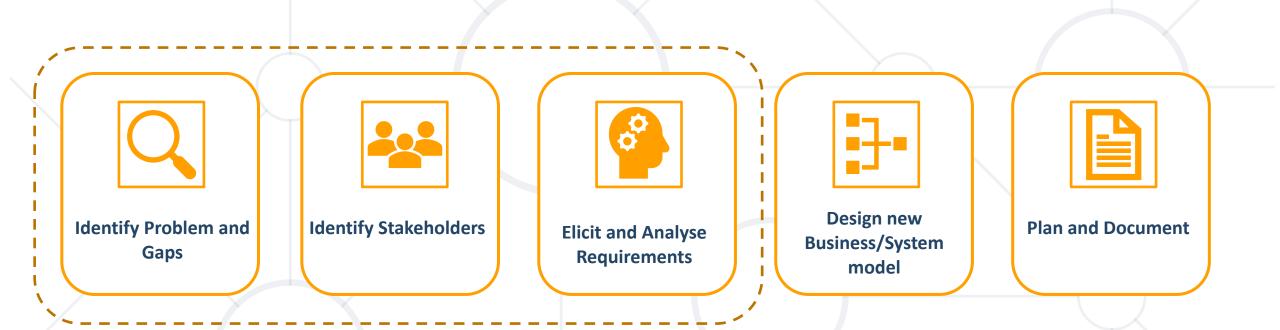
IT Business Analysts Responsibilities





Basic Process Overview



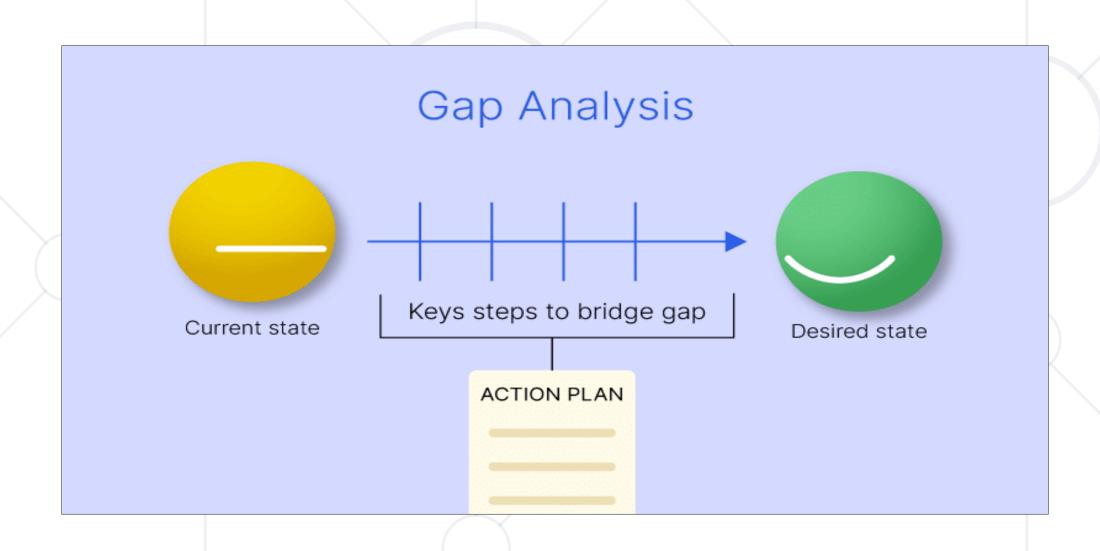




Key Foundations for IT BA

What is Gap Analysis?





As Is – To Be Process



As Is

The as-is state of a process is the "now" state. It's how the process operates before you make any changes or improvements.

To Be

The to-be process, on the other hand, is the future state. It is after you have taken on the identified action points and implemented the changes.

Gap Analysis Example



Gap Analysis

Area Under Consideration

We are investigating customer satisfaction of faulty goods returned within warranty. We are not considering outside of warranty, nor the satisfaction of customers at the point of sale.

Current State

Desired State

Action Steps

1. Customer Satisfaction Rate = unknown

2. Repair Time = 16 days

1. Customer Satisfaction Rate = 99%

2. Repair Time = 12 days

Customer Satisfaction 1.2 Review findings

1.1 Benchmark current

2.1 Implement new Repair

system

2.2 Train staff to use the

new system

The Process and Responsibilities of IT BA Might Differ in Real Life





- Based on business, scope and team structure
 - For example, not every time Gap analysis is needed
- The role of the IT BA might also consist of different responsibilities based on Software Development Methodology being adopted
 - For example, in Scrum the IT BA might be Solution Analyst or Product Owner

What is Stakeholders?

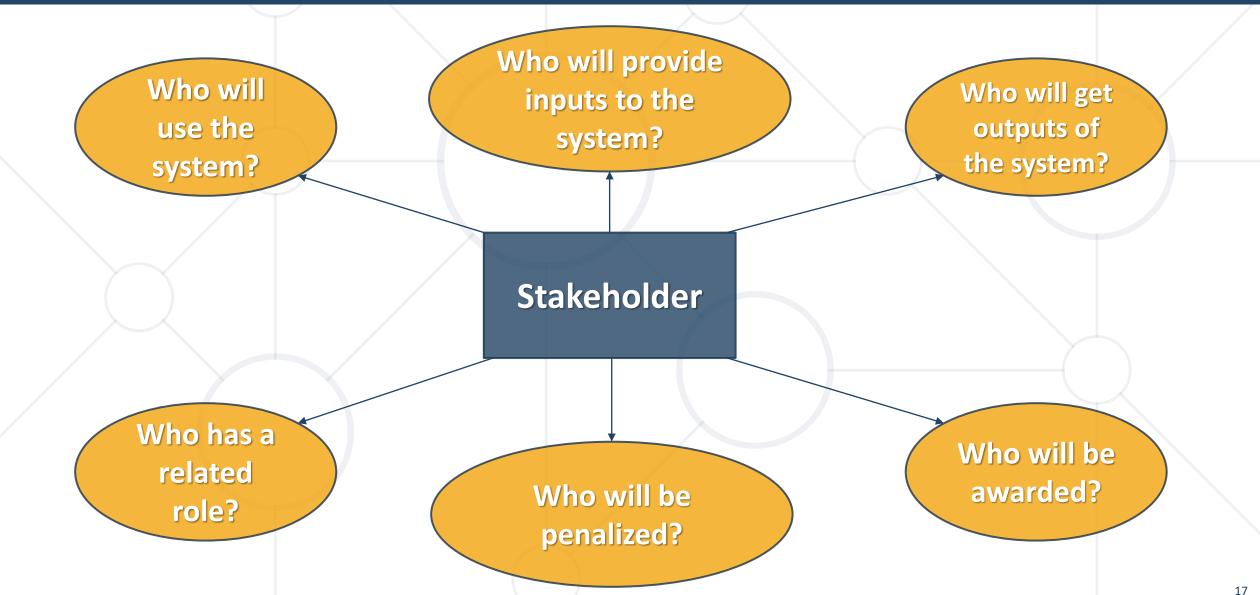


An individual, group, or organization who may affect, be affected by, or perceive itself to be affected by a decision, activity, or outcome of a project



Who is a Stakeholder?

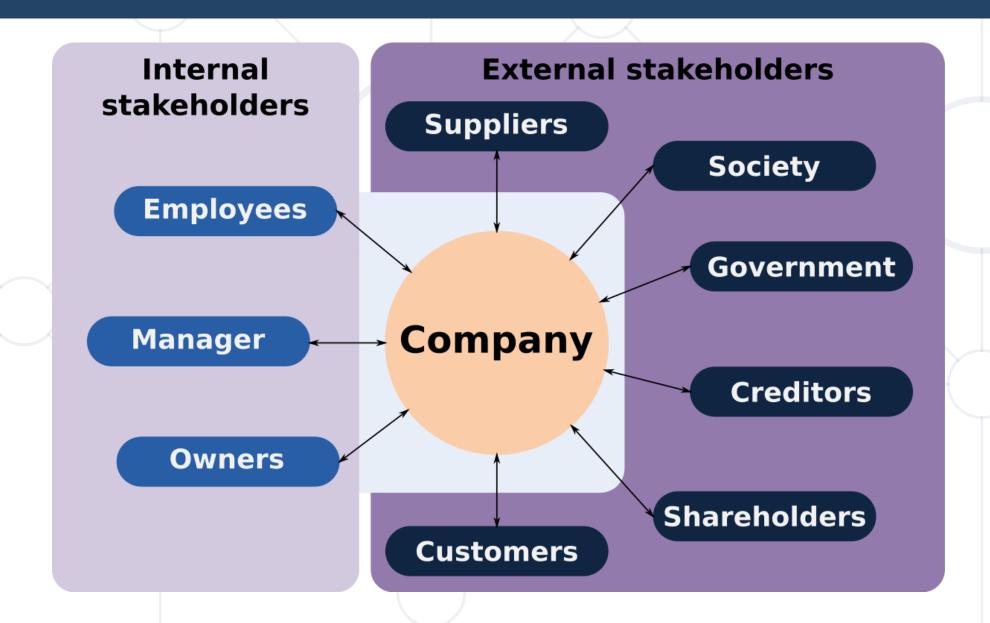






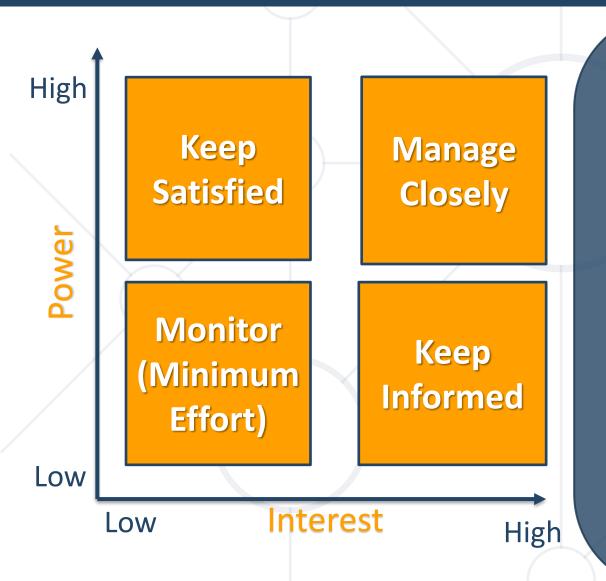
Who Are Your Stakeholders?





Stakeholder Power-Interest Grid





Driving Actions

Keep Satisfied:

 Put enough work in with these people to keep them satisfied.

Manage Closely:

 Must fully engage these people and make the greatest efforts to satisfy them.

Monitor:

 Monitor these people, but don't bore them with excessive communication.

Keep Informed:

 Adequately inform these people and talk to them to ensure that no major issues are arising.

Amazon Power-Interest Grid Example





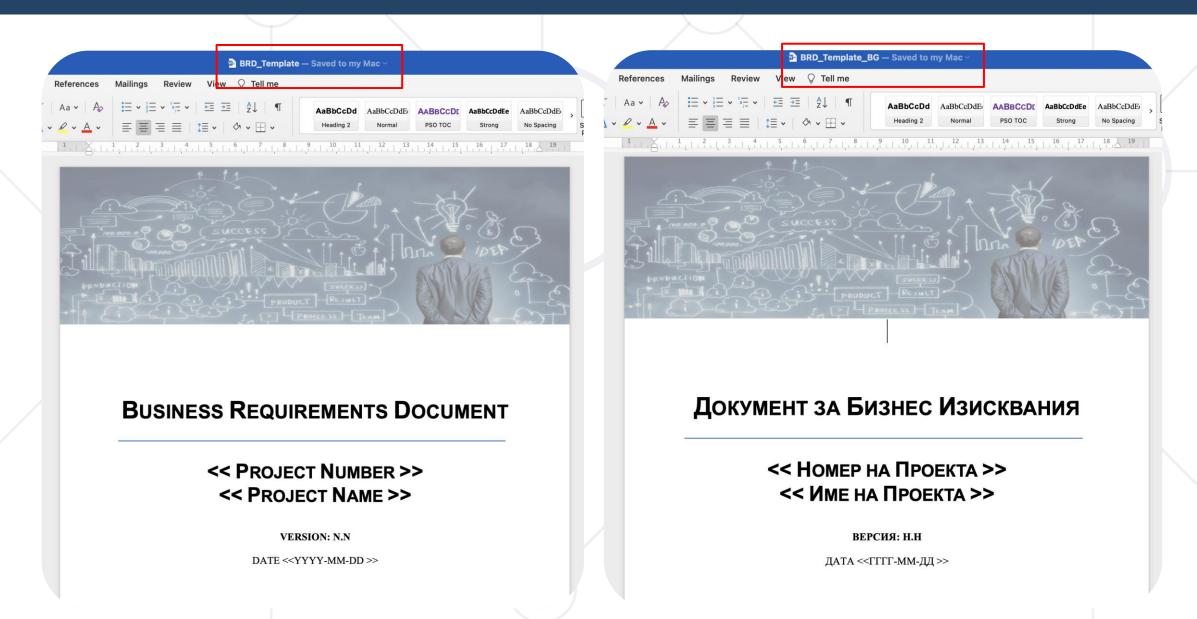
Documentation of IT Project





Business Requirements Document





Important for the Project!





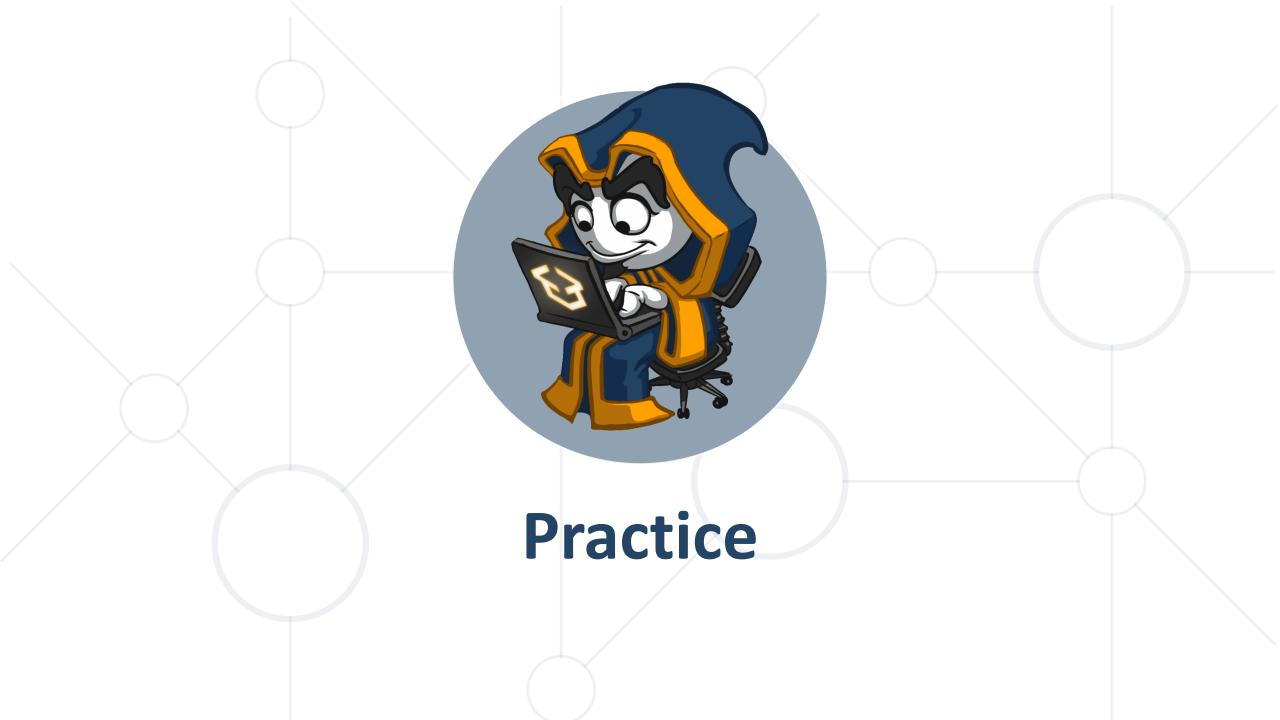
- All the sections to be filled out in order to secure a high mark
- Any additional sections added will NOT provide higher score
 - No need to look for templates from the Internet



Case Study Overview







Task 1



Gap Analysis for Dominos Food Delivery Process

- Your task is to conduct a Gap Analysis for the food delivery process in Dominos.
- Currently, the company uses its own mobile app which allows online purchases, online payment, etc.
- If not aware of the Domino's process, you can do quick research (RESEARCH OF BUSINESS MODELS IS HUGE PART OF THE IT BA JOB)
- The goal is to identify the current gaps and determine areas where improvements are needed.

Solution of Task 1

Gaps





Task 2



Identify Stakeholders for Restaurant Happy

- Make a list of all stakeholders you can think of in the business of Happy
- Make a table with columns Stakeholder/Power (1-3)/Interest (1-3)
- Based on the table, make a Power-Interest Grid for Happy's stakeholders

Solution of Task 1



Low

Interest

High

Homework



Read the case and reflect on it:

- What issues did you identify in the current business process?
 - Are there any actions that can be taken?
- Who are the key Stakeholders of the Project?
 - Make a Power-Interest Grid
- Start filling out the BRD.

Summary



- IT BA is bridge between IT, Business and sometimes UX.
- The basic IT BA process can be summed in five high-level steps.
- Gap Analysis is the process used to compare company's current performance with their desired, expected performance.
- Stakeholders are all interest sides in the outcome of the project.
- Stakeholders can be managed by Power-Interest Grid.
- Business Requirement Document (BRD) is the standard documentation used for IT Business Analysis.



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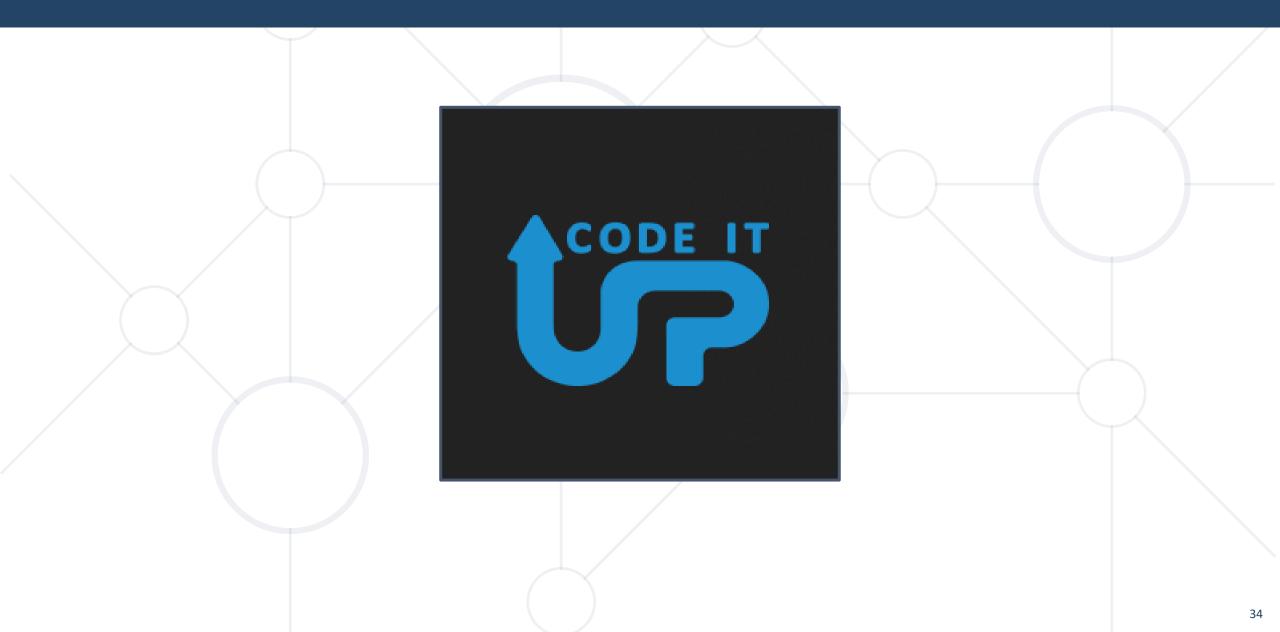






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