

Hello!



Sorry, who?

- NSW Design System Product Manager
- IxD/UXer
- Like pairing design and code

Getting into DesignOps

Some battle stories from an old man 🧓

Never found the right fit between:

- UI dev
- UX design
- Service Design
- Mastering scrums
- Managing design teams

Found my ❤️ helping others fill the gaps between those things.

Nice origin story, friend, but...

What are we talking about today?

**DesignOps helping teams
design the whole experience**

What is DesignOps?

Giving people in design the **tools, processes, artefacts, and support** they need to make **better things**.

***People in design* might
include people not called
'designer'**

So we need to define design...



**Let's get
existential!**

What even is Design?

A process of decisions that make the finished thing good.

Within digital, the definition of good is a good experience and outcome.

A good experience is about more than how something looks.

Levels that can impact users' experiences

- Whether they can reach their goal
- Visual Design
- UI Design
- Content Design
- Usability
- Accessibility

- Frontend code
- Backend code
- APIs
- Hosting
- Privacy
- Security
- Trust

Everyone is responsible for users' experiences

**No designer should/could know all of these
practices**

Design's input isn't in all the right places

Full-stack UX

Design which focuses on user experience at every level of a product.

To make a good experience, the design approach should be applied to the whole thing

The UX mindset should go beyond the usual UX skillset

But how?!

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2 symbiotic things

A full stack
design system

DesignOps 2.0

Full-stack UX can be helped in the same way UI/UX is...

A full-stack design system

Good UX off-the-shelf, across the whole stack

Example: Asking a user for an address

Traditional Design System

UI Design toolkit

- How the UI looks
- The code for a digital UI (HTML & CSS)

UI Dev toolkit

- The code for a view-layer component (Vue/React)
- The type-ahead mechanics (JS)

Full-stack Design System

Full-stack & DevOps toolkit

- API integration (JS)
- App boilerplate
- Reliable data

Design Guidance

- When it's not ok to ask for an address
- What people expect when they can't answer

DesignOps 2.0

If DesignOps is giving Designers the tools, processes, and artefacts to work faster and better...

...and we're now saying there's bits of design in all product roles...

...DesignOps 2.0 is facilitating the bit of design in all of those roles.

DesignOps 2.0

Erica Rider from PayPal will be talking about DesignOps 2.0 in more detail @ 15:10 (next).

DesignOps 2.0 + Full Stack Design System

Developers

Need components with no unanswered questions, where they might have to interpret intent

UI/Product people

Need an accessible tool to communicate what to build, which creates fully usable prototypes

UX/Content people

Need contextual patterns, and a platform to share and extend them

Teams

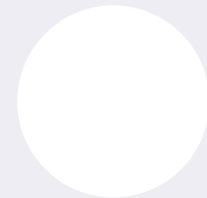
Need to use the same components, from a single source of truth

Getting there in 4 stages



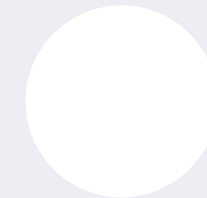
A visual design system

- Image-based design
- Consistent branding
- Look & Feel



HTML & CSS examples

- Image-based design
- CSS is ready-made
- Development required



Isomorphic image & code

- Image-based design
- Replica library
- Interpretation required



Full-stack UX system

- Design in (no)code
- Avoid design-drift
- UX focus

Power up: Creative technologists

Creative technologists are people who have a creative mindset and a technical skillset.

They're most often in development roles, as the marketable skills are so similar.

A creative technologist *is* a UXer

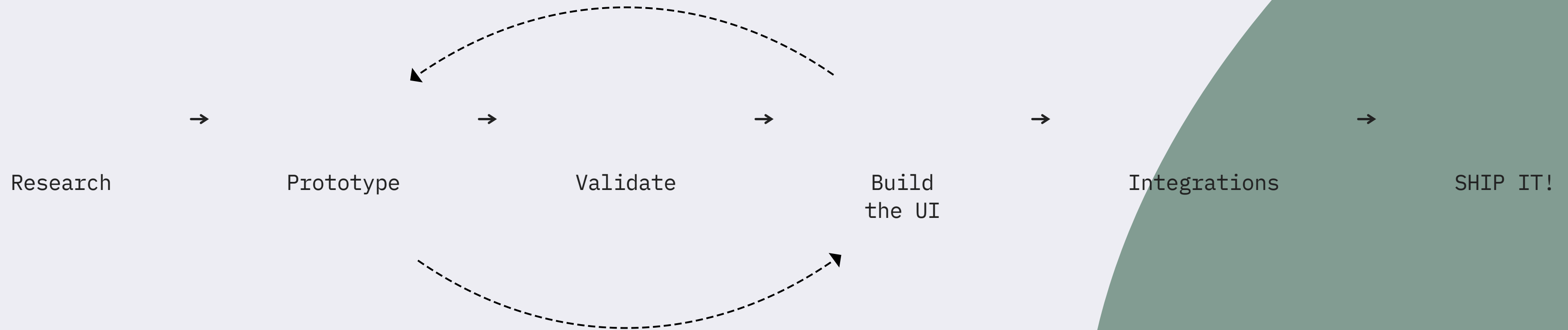
Creative tech & UX process

The normal UI/UX and dev process



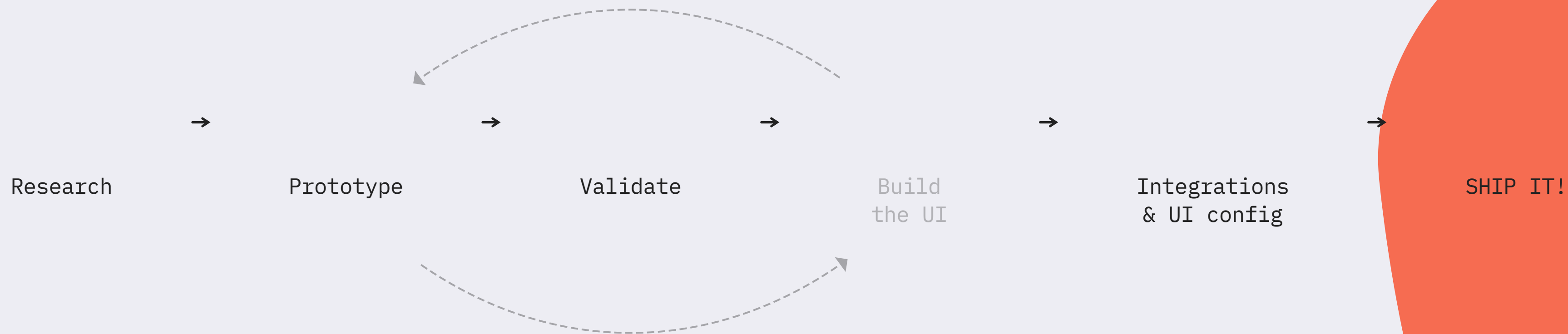
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The *actual* UI/UX and dev process



Creative tech & UX process

With a fullstack design system and DesignOps 2.0, you also get more efficient



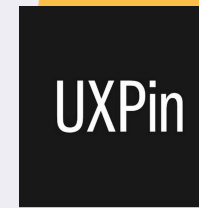
Tools for designers



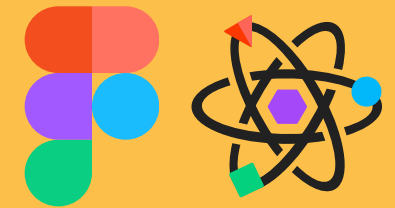
Zeplin



Framer



UXPin Merge



Figma & React-figma

All of these are no-code
most use renders of code

**T0 D0: Take-home: full stack
pattern template**

Thank you!

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For more like this, don't miss Erica Rider, Zeplin fireside chat,
& the UXPin Merge workshop