

How to pitch

Pitch



- Goal = Overwhelm the jury
 - 8 – 10 minutes

Circle of impact for presentations

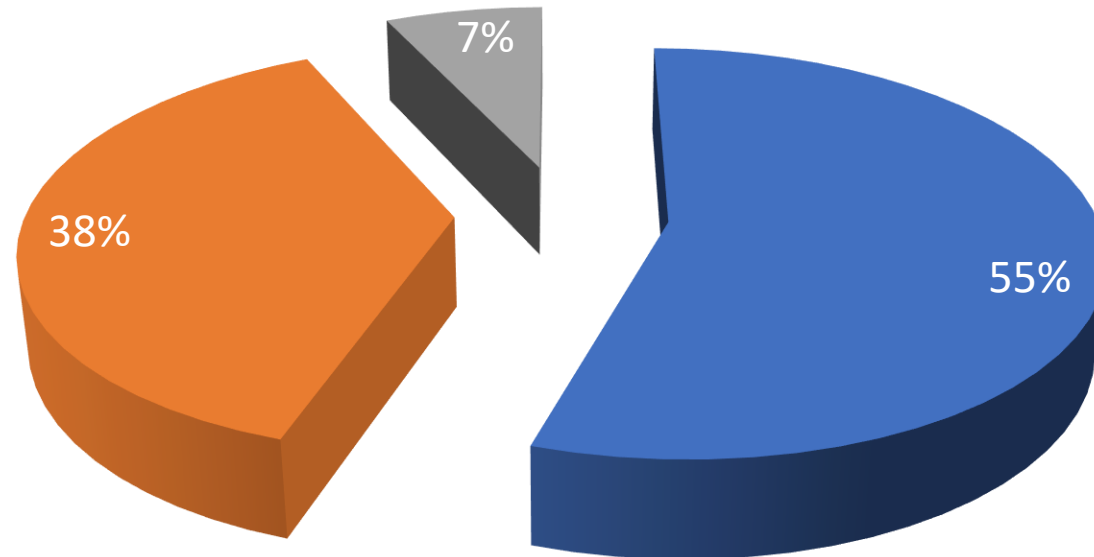
(Albert Mehrabian, MIT)

Voice 38%

Content 7%

Body Language 55%

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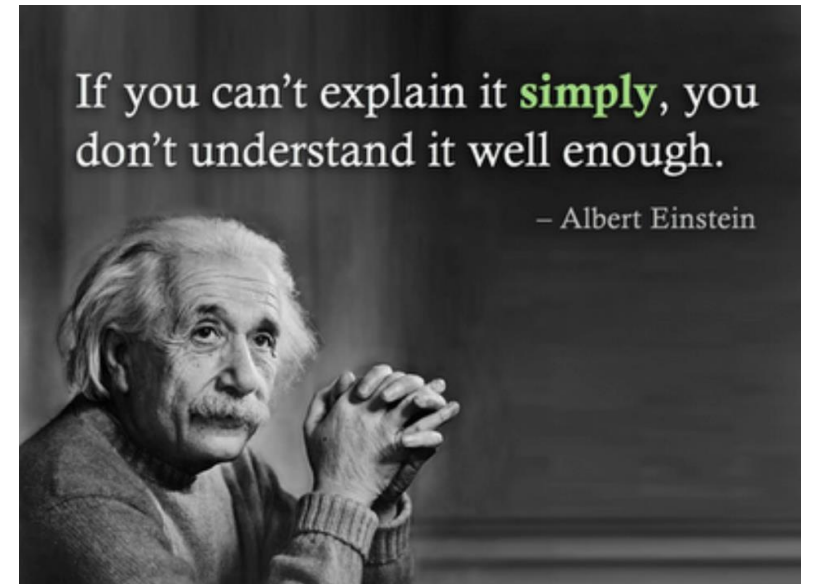
How to sound smart ...



How to start?

- Who is the jury
 - What's their goal?
- What is your goal?

The actual instantiation of the idea can vary dramatically over time based on the learning that happens along the way



Storytelling: the power of a good story

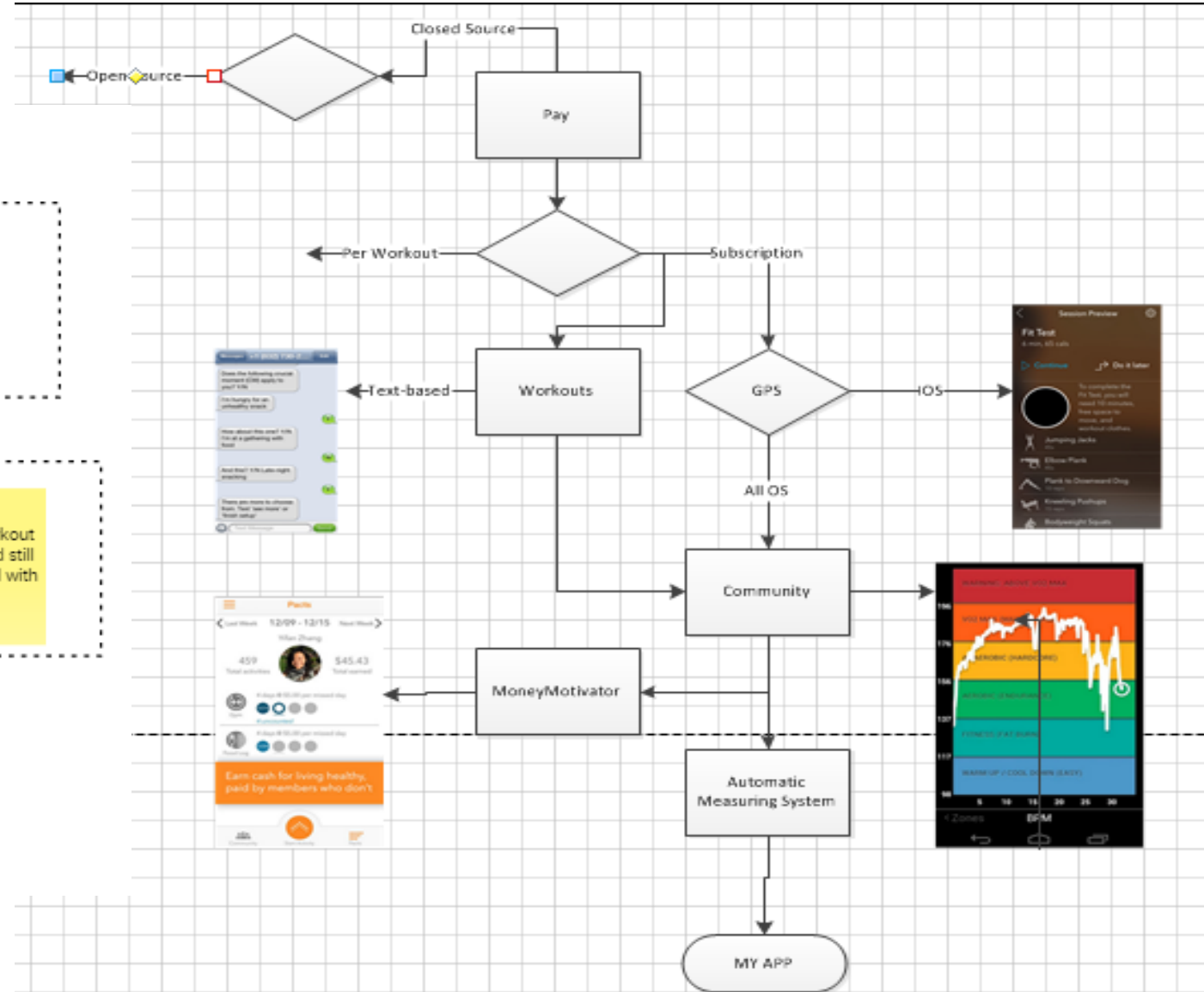
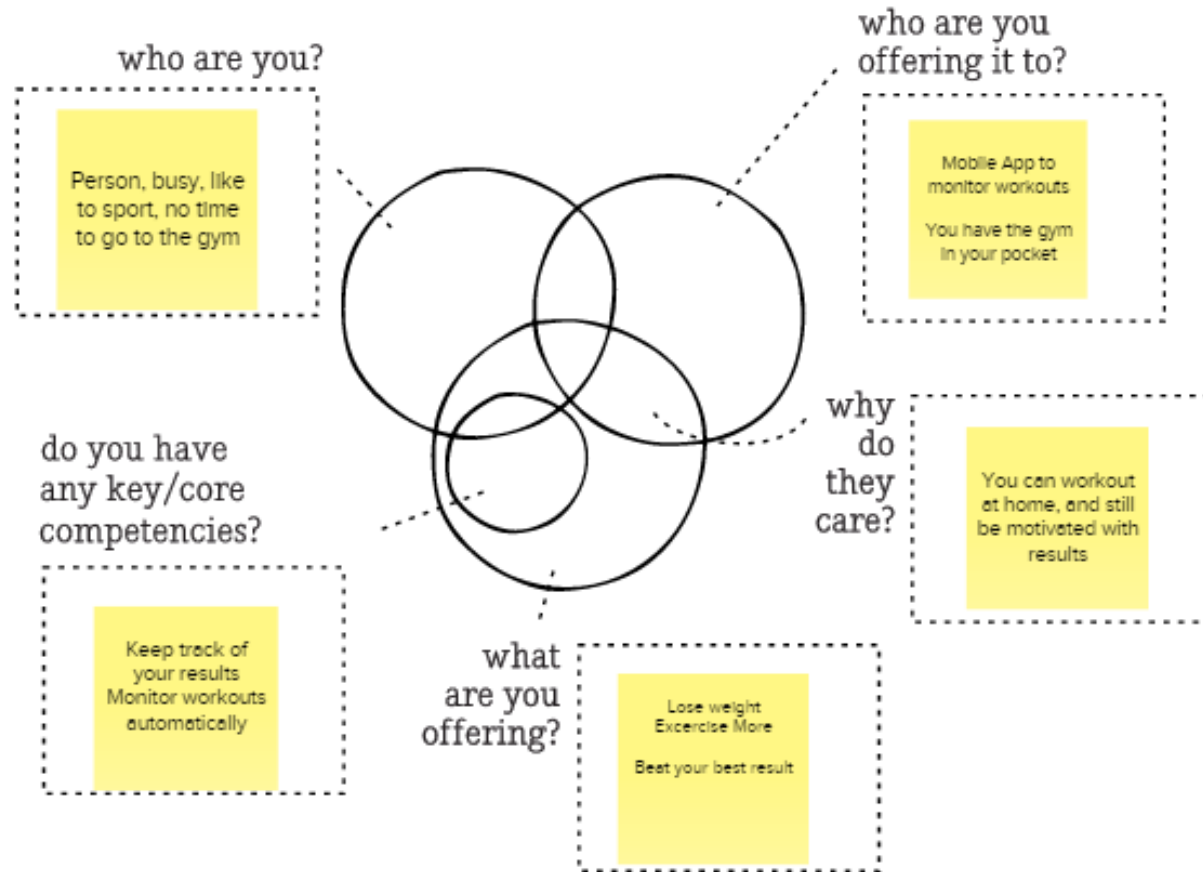


Tips!

- Don't start with your powerpoint!
 - First finish your story!
- Text or Images ?
- Graphs or numbers ?

- Be creative!
- What's your goal?
- Be enthusiastic!

The Idea Maze



Development of an idea?

The Idea Maze

A "good idea" is a detailed path through the maze. Why does your path lead to treasure: competitor oversight, new technology, or something else?



HAVING AN IDEA?

- 1) **History.** If your idea has been tried before (and almost all good ideas have), you should figure out what the previous attempts did right and wrong. A lot of this knowledge exists only in the brains of practitioners.
- 2) **Direct experience.** A lot of good startup founders figure out the maze through direct experience, often at work.

Strategy Plan

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

- What do you want to get out of the app?
- Who are your users?
- What do your users want?
- What experience are we trying to provide?

- An x% increase in the number of visitors.
- Increase our visibility
- Sell our top 20 products to a wider market
- new technology experience

- Get as specific as possible
Good: 18-24 year old males in urban areas of Europe with shoe size 44 and up
- Not good: young people with fashion sense

- Simple, straight forward, cheerfull and peppy,...

Be entertained, share photos, stories
- When does the store open and where are they exactly, and guide me to the store
- Give me extra info when I'm into a specific building (museum,...)

- What are their specific limitations?
* fontsize, type, colors,...

Scope

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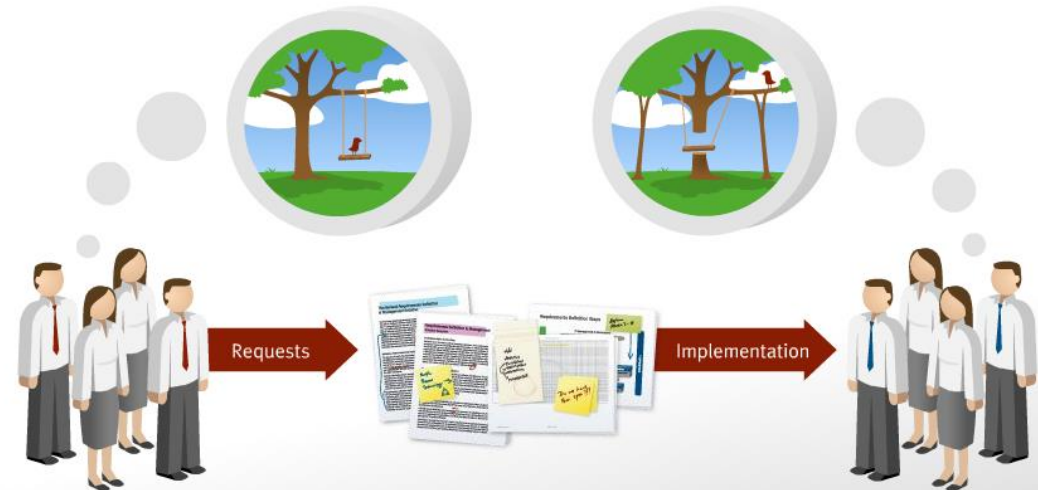
- What features will the app need to include?
- What kind of detail will those features have?
- What tools, skills and personnel will we need to build our app
- What is the timeline?

Project Management : “Iterative” (Agile) versus waterfall, ...

“Specificatie – Design & Implementation – Testing – Deployment”

Difficult? In an International context

- Different **language**
- Different **background**
- Different **cultures**



- What are the problems you could encounter in your projects regarding requirements?
- What could be the consequences of these problems?

What are the problems you could encounter in your projects regarding requirements?

- Missing requirements
- Requirement creep (lose focus / scope – Changing requirements)
- Not well defined requirements
- Contradictory requirements

