

Microsoft Power Platform and Teams Hackathon Tips

Microsoft's history with Hackathons

- Satya Nadella, third Microsoft CEO ever, took over in 2014
 - Wanted a creative, entrepreneurial mentality in company culture and to become “learn-it-alls.”
- [The Garage](#) was created as Microsoft's official portal to hacking culture
 - Plans and runs the Microsoft Global Hackathon, advocates for collaboration and innovation
- Some facts
 - Typically runs over a week every year – open to anyone
 - In 2014 Hackathon was planned for some 1,500 to 2,000 participants, ended up with 11,000
 - The 2020 Hackathon saw over 70,000 participants - the [largest private hackathon on the planet.](#)
 - Many customers now involved with Microsoft and customer employees co-hacking

Hackathon tips - behave like a startup



Startups define a vision

They predict the future

You win by being right



Startups iterate and test

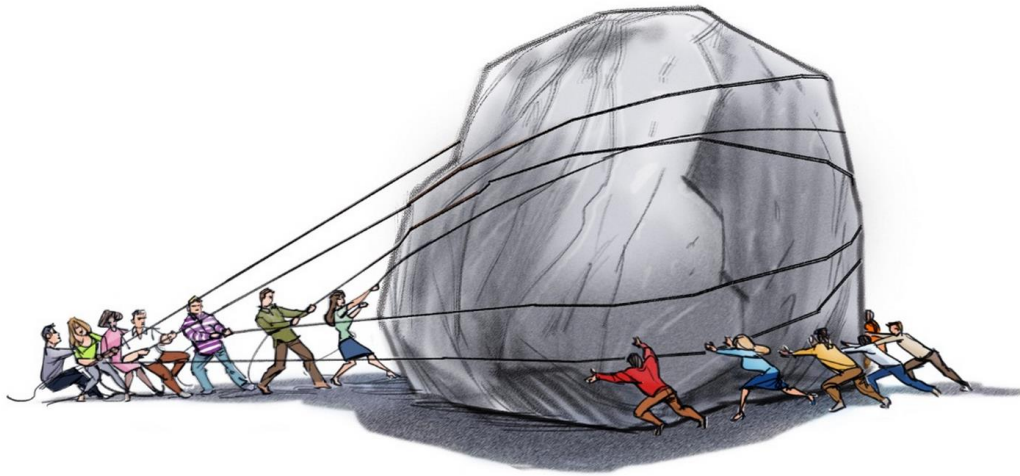
No one can predict the future

You win by learning and adapting fast



Both paths are correct - have a clear vision for the use of technology but most important is to start small and fast and iterate rapidly from there

Hackathon tips - advantages of starting small (prototyping) and iterating



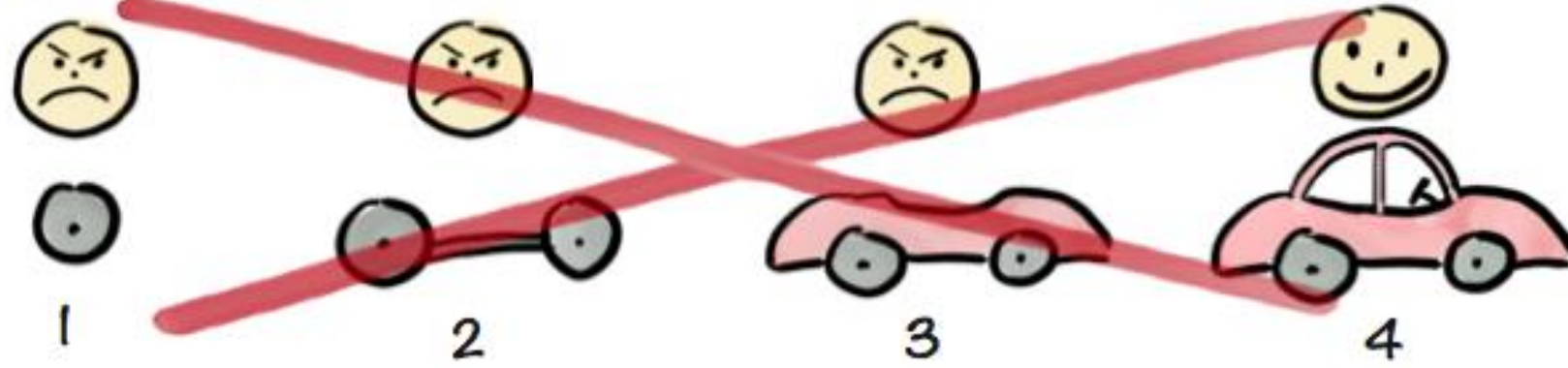
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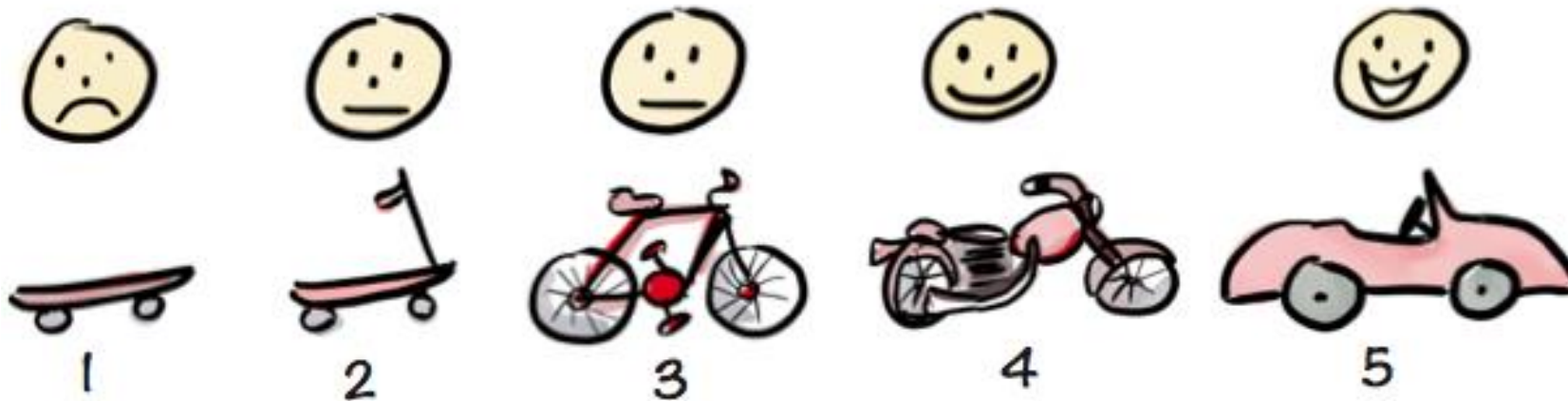
Allows rapid reprioritization
Reduces risk – avoids dead ends and big misses
Much less coordination required

Important when prototyping – build complete versions – the MVP

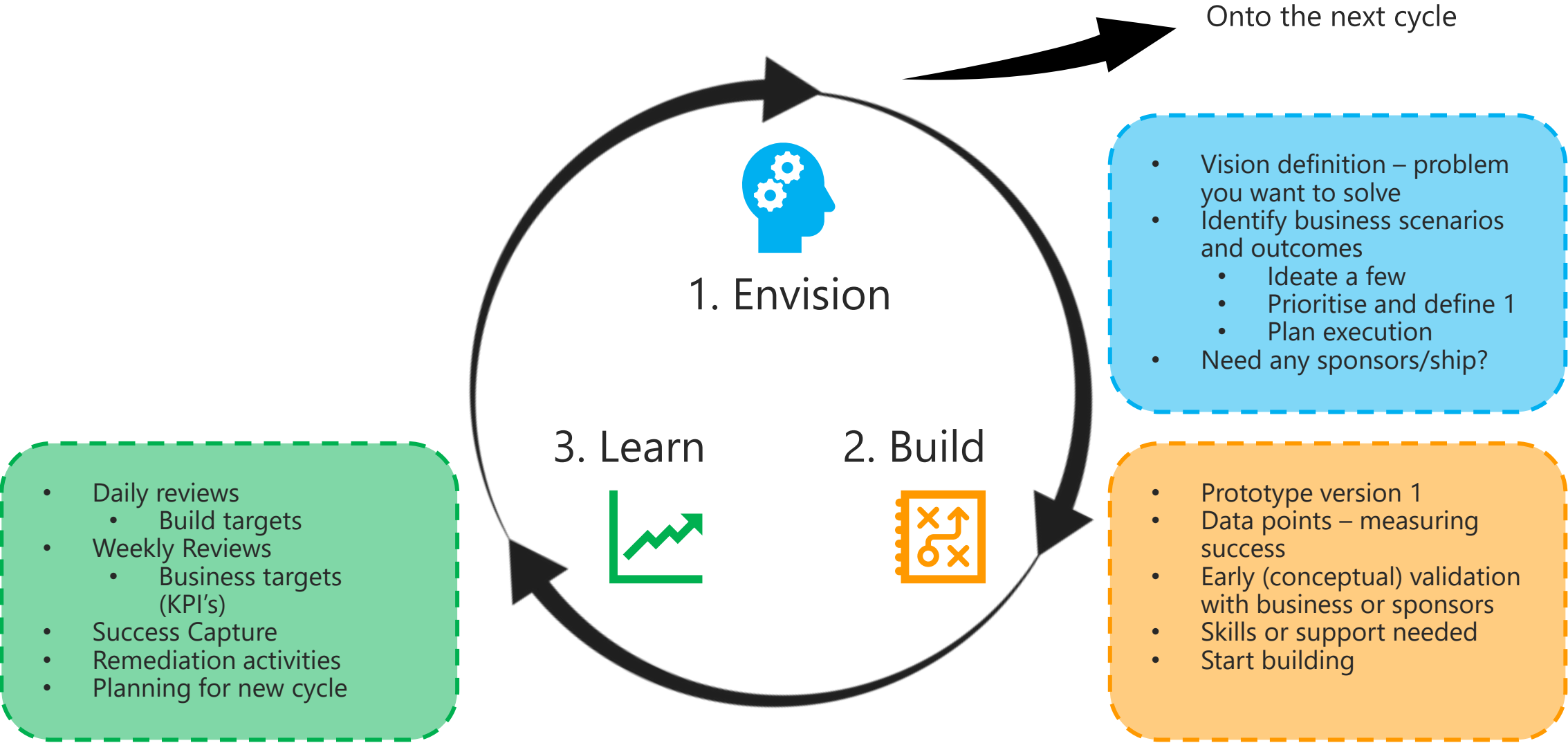
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Hackathon tips – keep planning iterative and simple

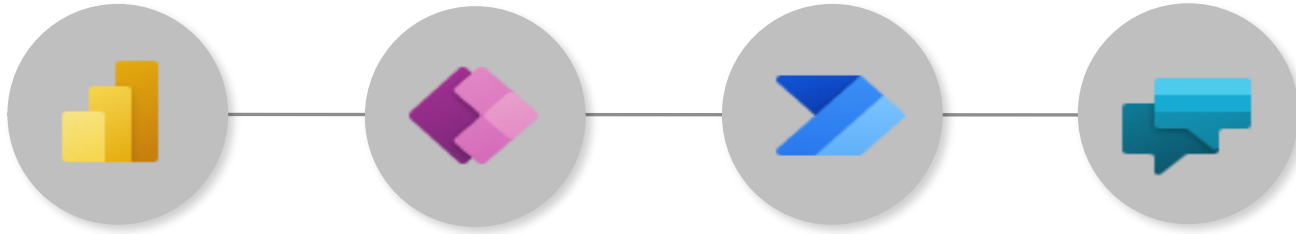


Microsoft Power Platform

One low-code/no-code platform that spans M365, Dynamics 365, and standalone applications



Analyze. Act. Automate. Converse.



Power BI

Business analytics

PowerApps

Application Development

Automate

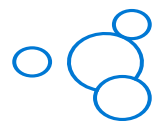
Process Automation

Virtual Agents

Intelligent Virtual Agents



Data connectors



AI Builder

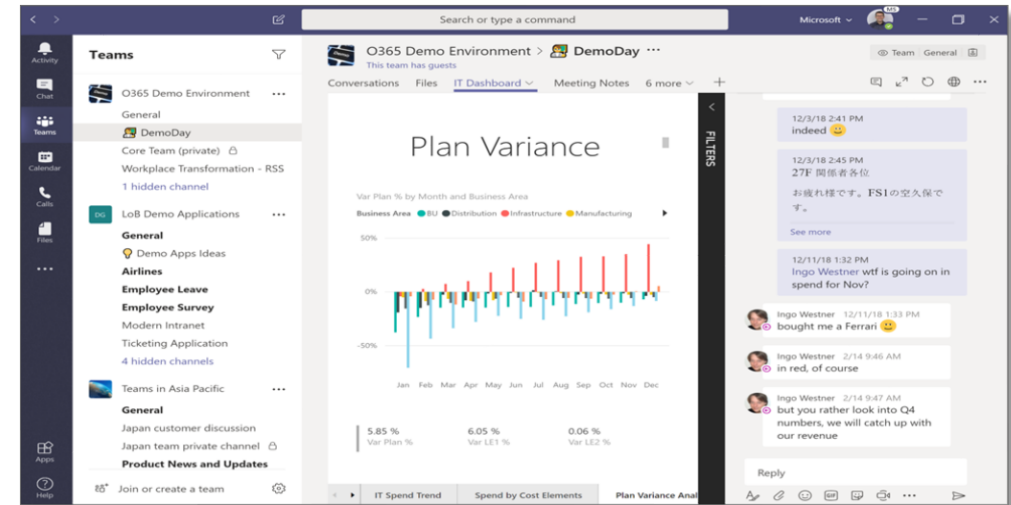


Dataverse

Microsoft Teams

The hub for team work in M365 providing a front end view to Power Platform apps and integrations and to ...

Collaborate.



Example view of a live, interactive PowerBI report with a conversation side by side to collaborate on what is being seen



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