# Product Development All Hands

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## One Team, many roles

- The Product Development org
- Working in squads
- Segmented by product domains allowing for specialization and expertise
- Allowing us to scale faster and more efficiently at reasonable working hours



### How we win

#### In our work we need to be

- Collaborative
- Curious
- Celebratory

#### In our products we need to

- Simplify
- Scale
- Ship value



# Our Strategy

- Product
- Technology
- Design

### The 2022 VTFM



## **Product Strategy Focus Areas**

In 2022, our roadmap balances increased renewal risk, increased competition, strategic bets for the future and the need to pay down technical debt to enable a better UX and to increase efficiency

**Types of Work** 

BAU/Fixes/Debt	Enhancements	New Capabilities
Outcomes		
Internal Value	Tablestakes	Differentiated Value
Phases of Work		
Discovery	Delivery	Optimization

## Q2/3 Intended Customer-Facing Outcomes

## Grow Stronger



#### **Shipped**

More content

#### Coming in Q3

- New Product Trial
- GitHub & Jira integrations enhancements

#### Next

- Company Admin Onboarding
- Automated Course Creation

#### Increase Renewals

#### **Shipped**

• More inclusive language in content

#### Coming in Q3

- Accessibility and design uplifts
- Automated Translation, Challenge Descriptions

#### Next

- Incremental value on the above
- Improved experiences

# Crush the Competition



#### Shipped

- New Pricing & Packaging offering GA
- NEW! Extra Challenges

#### Coming in Q3

- Live Lessons GA
- Storyline Content

#### **Next**

Extra missions and walkthroughs GA

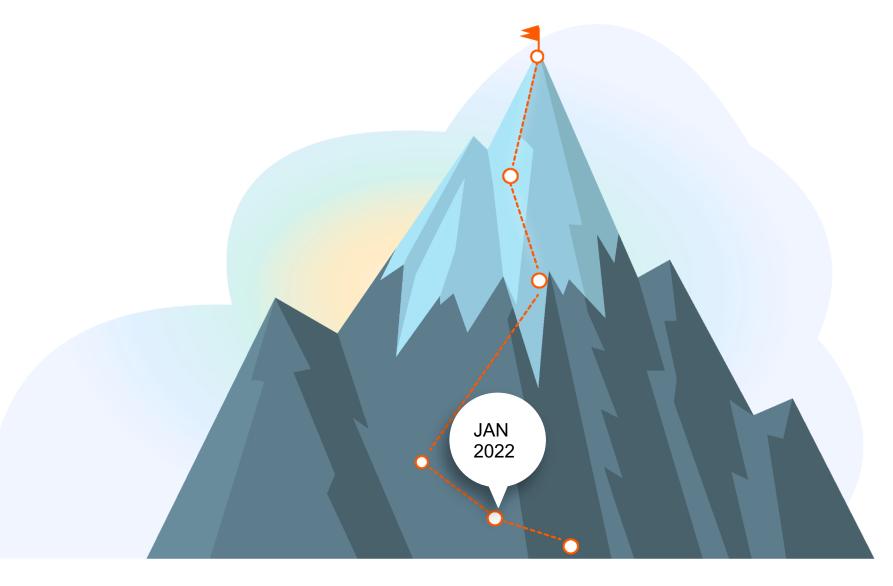
# Design & UX Strategy

2022 and beyond

## Where we started (2022)

- One designer for the entire organization
- Limited resources / availability / abilities
- Limited tooling
- Limited deliverables
- Limited ability to measure data
- Manual usability testing





Where we're at in our journey - 6 levels of design maturity









#### Where we're at now

- UX Maturity Still at the beginning of our journey
- Building out team, hiring for strategic domains
- Creating Processes & improving ways of working
- Improved tooling
  - CS for vector graphics
  - Usertesting
- Ways we're already collaborating





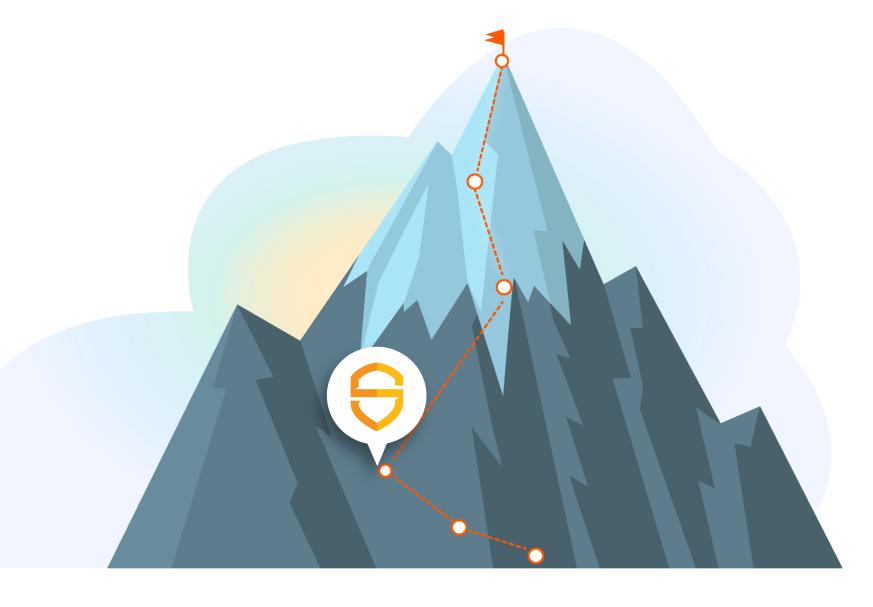












Where we're at in our journey - levels of design maturity









## **Our Growing Team**

- Creating New Structure & Processes
- Ways of working together
- Our Roles
- NEW! EMEA Team
- NEW! APAC Team
- NEW! USA Team
- 4 Pillars of Design

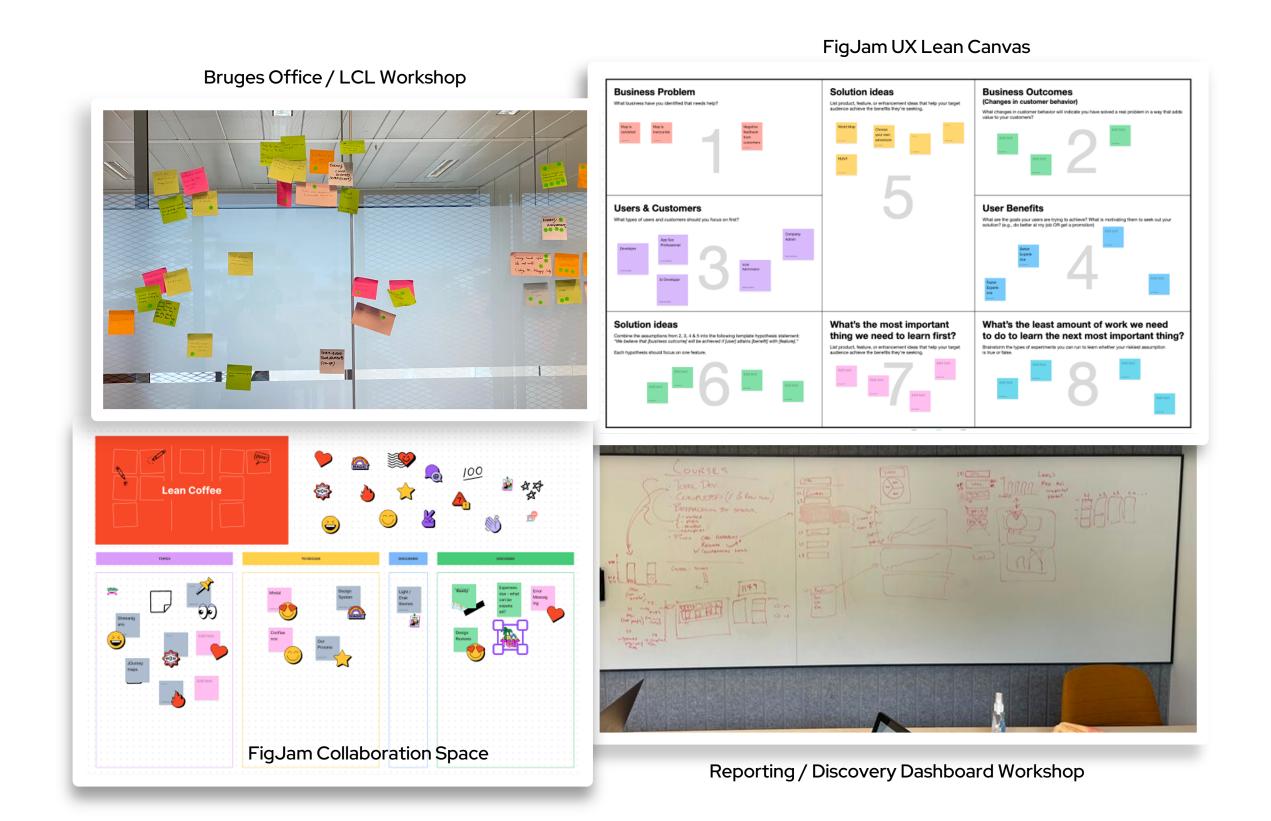
#### Now hiring...

Product Design Manager

Product Designer EMEA

# Ways we're already collaborating

- Workshops
- Jamboard
- FigJam
- Miro / Mural
- Squads & Teams
- LUMA



#### **LUMA**

#### Looking Understanding Making

Human Centered
Design framework
for innovation and
collaboration

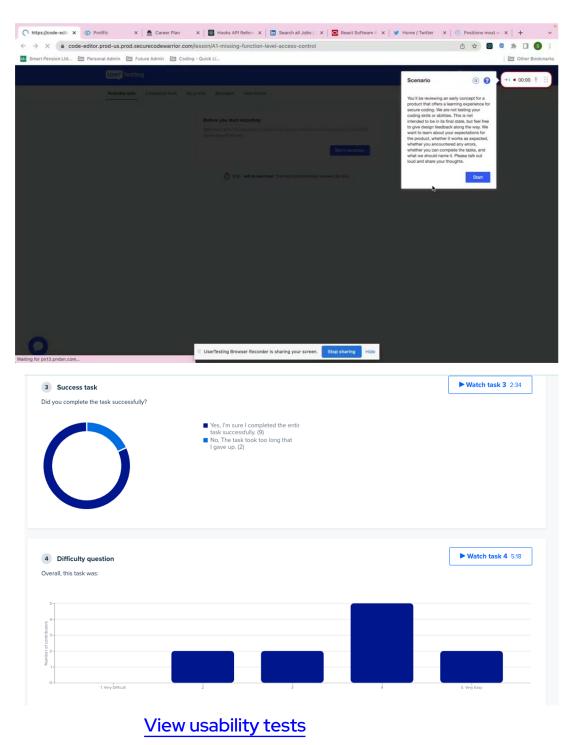




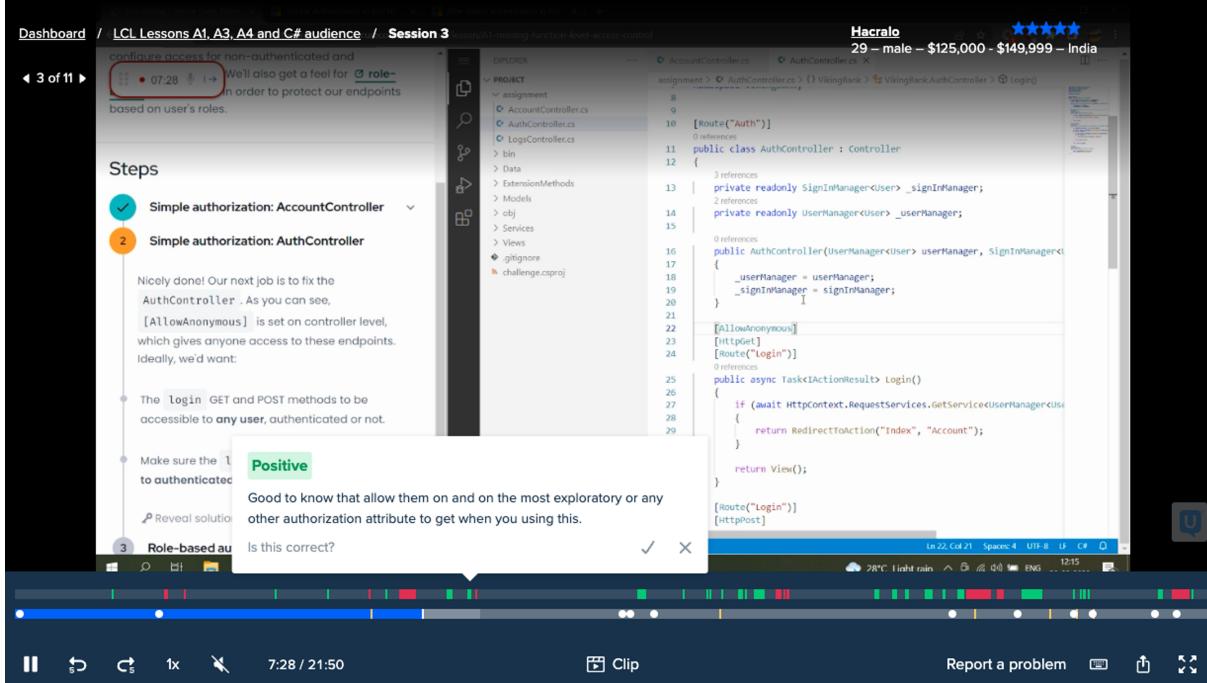




# Improved Tooling - UserTesting.com



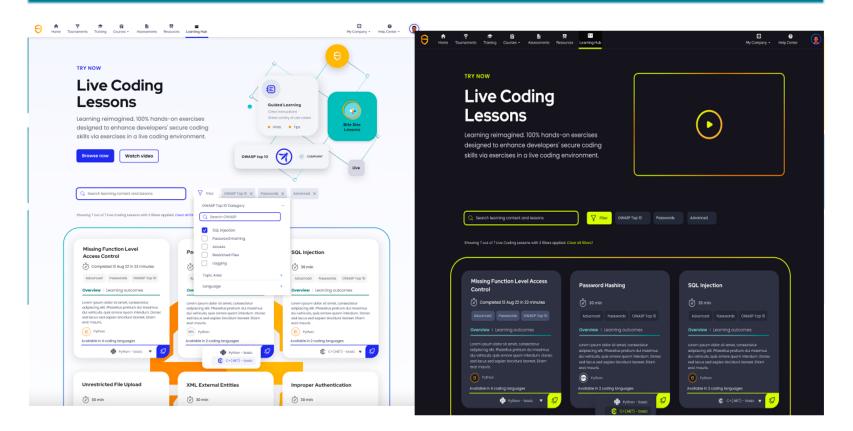
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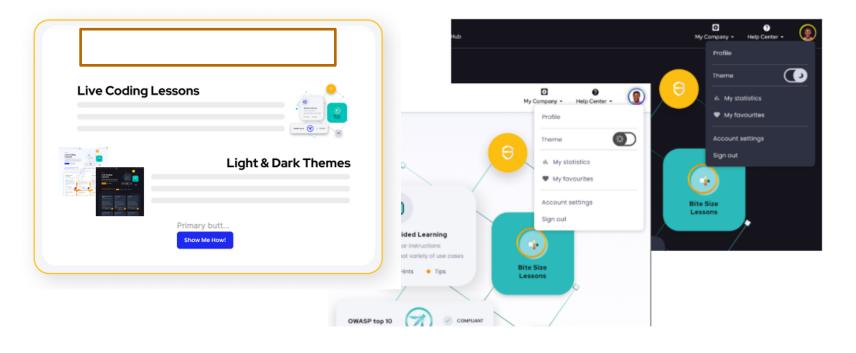


## **Design Organization Strategies**

- Improve outcomes with better research
  - Research Organization
  - Prototyping
  - User Experience Program
  - Personas / User Journeys
  - Innovation Sessions
- Simplify UX and enable scale
  - Design System
    - Remove friction
    - Accessibility
    - New Light / Dark / HC Themes
- Squad-driven storytelling and design work
  - Live Lessons
  - Project X
  - Reporting

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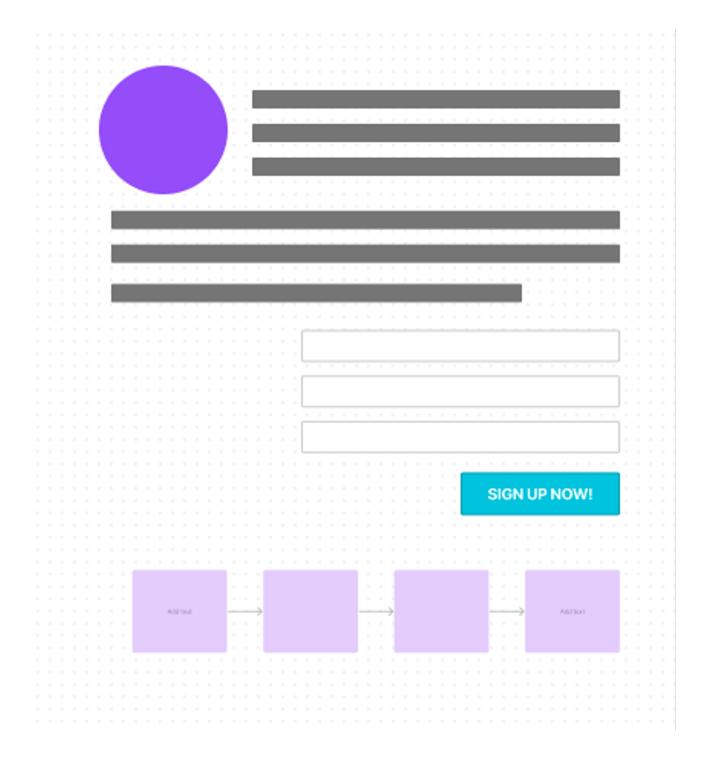




## **User Experience Program**

What is it? Why do we need one? Automating the workflow / process of recruitment, coordination, interviewing and analysing usability testing, as well as compensating participants.

- Have a database of users to test with at anytime
- Find users willing to give us feedback
- Interview users to better understand how they're using our product
- Identify pain points in the current experience of using our product
- Get regular feedback from engaged users
- Reduce the amount of time we spend in usability testing sessions
- Reduce the amount of time we spend recruiting test participants
- Streamline and automate the above processes as much as possible!

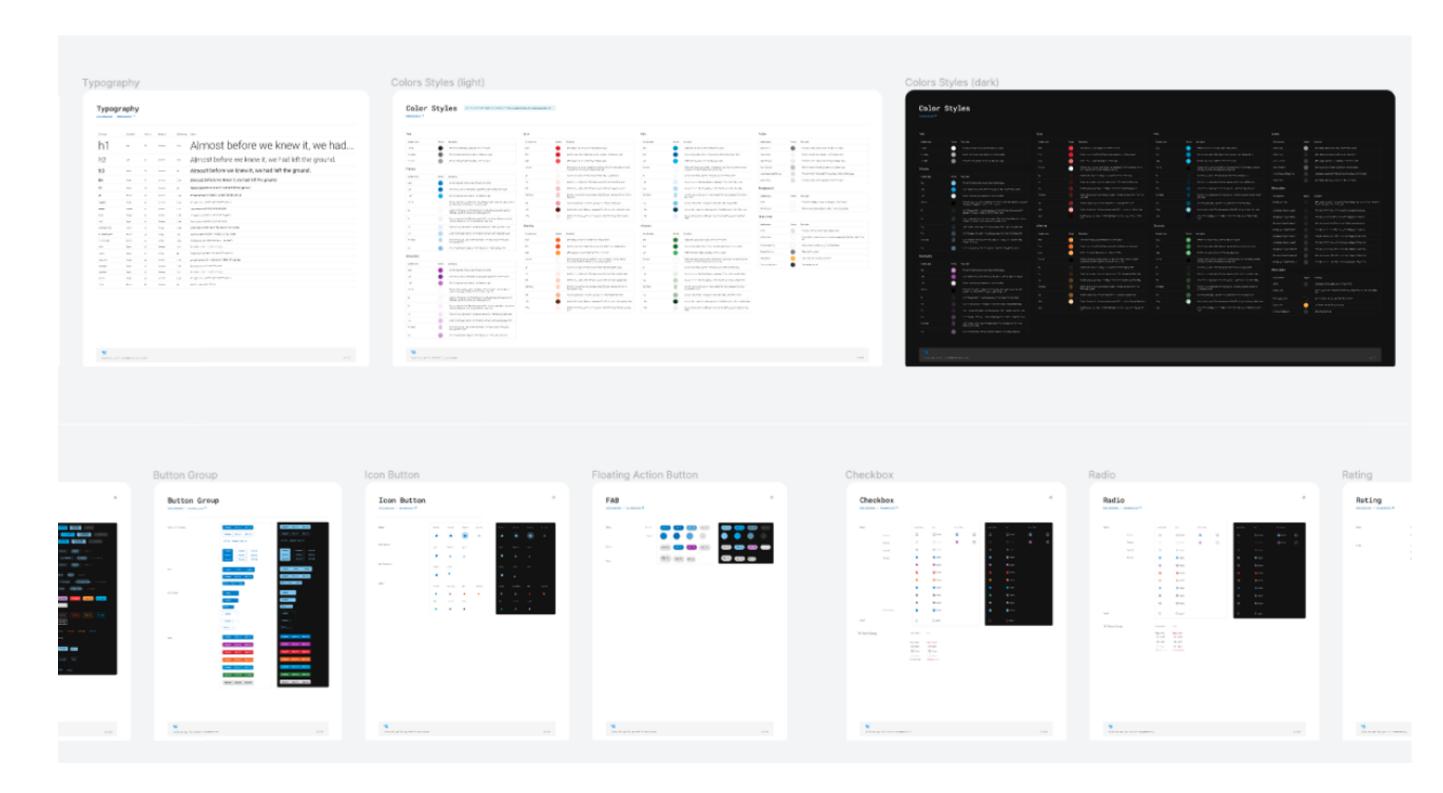


# Design System - Figma

Stage One: Build out design system in Figma

Stage two: Storybook UI

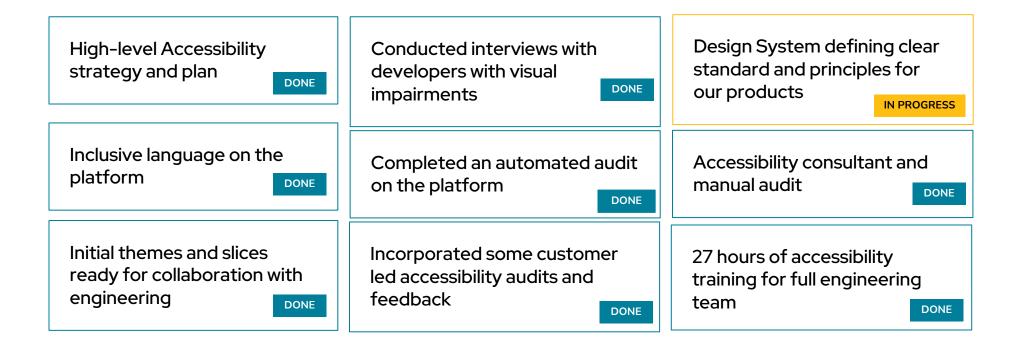
Stage three: Build a public facing design system.



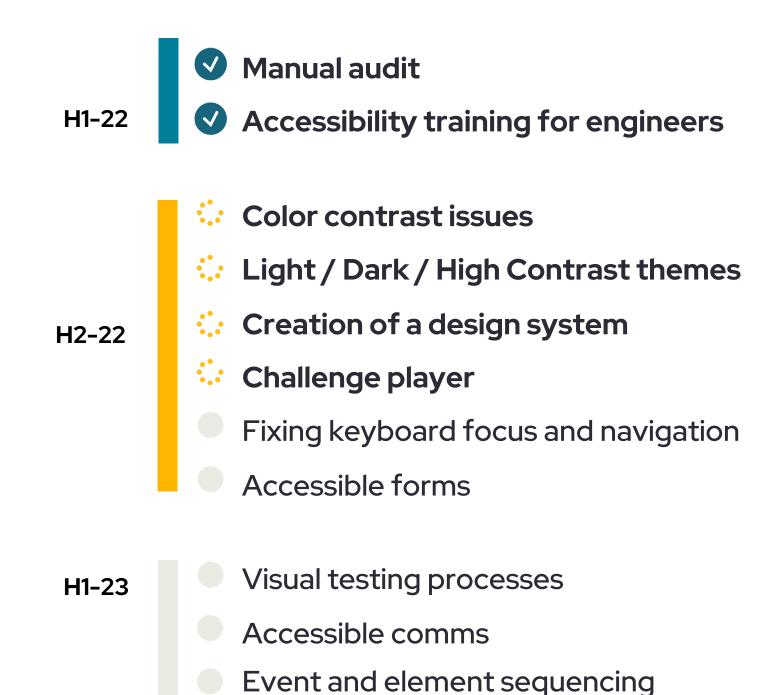
## **Accessibility & Inclusivity**

Putting our users first is at the heart of everything we do. We strive to create and provide an inclusive and accessible experience to everyone.

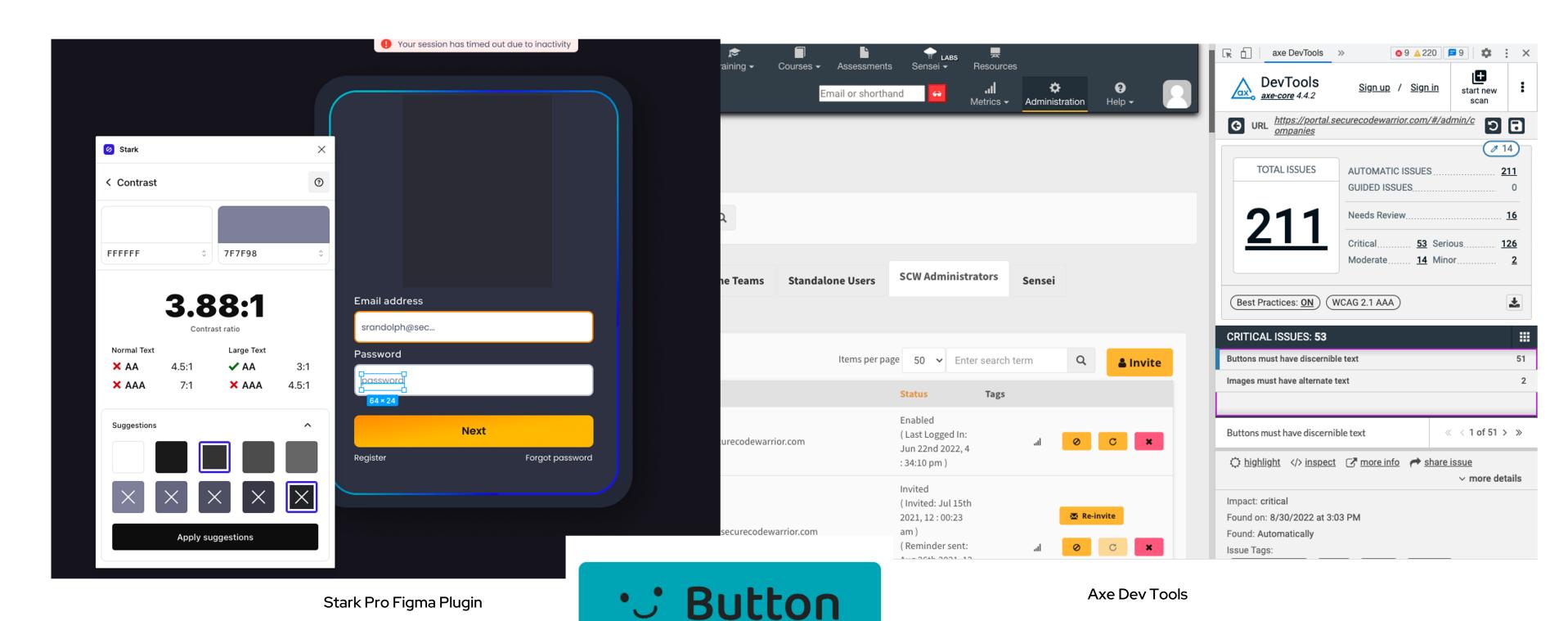
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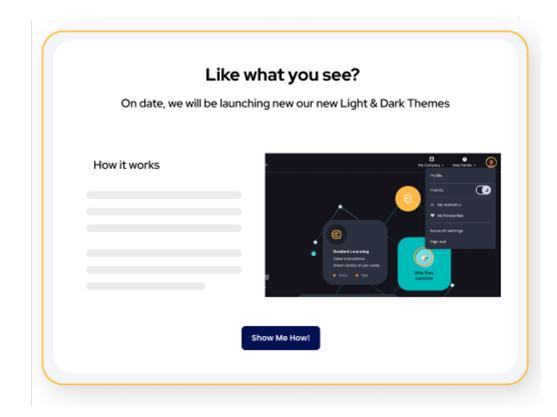
## How we design for accessibility



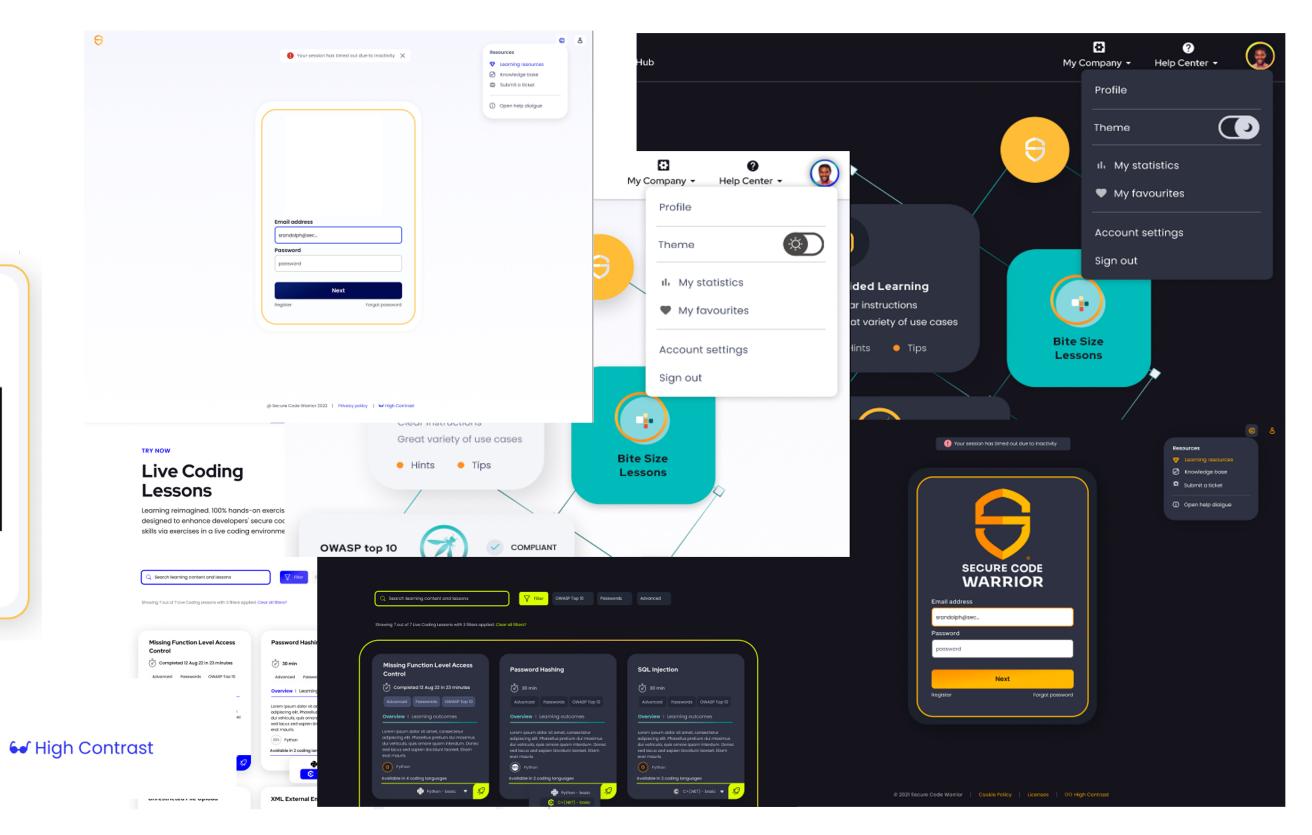
**Button buddy** 

### **New Customer Controlled Themes**

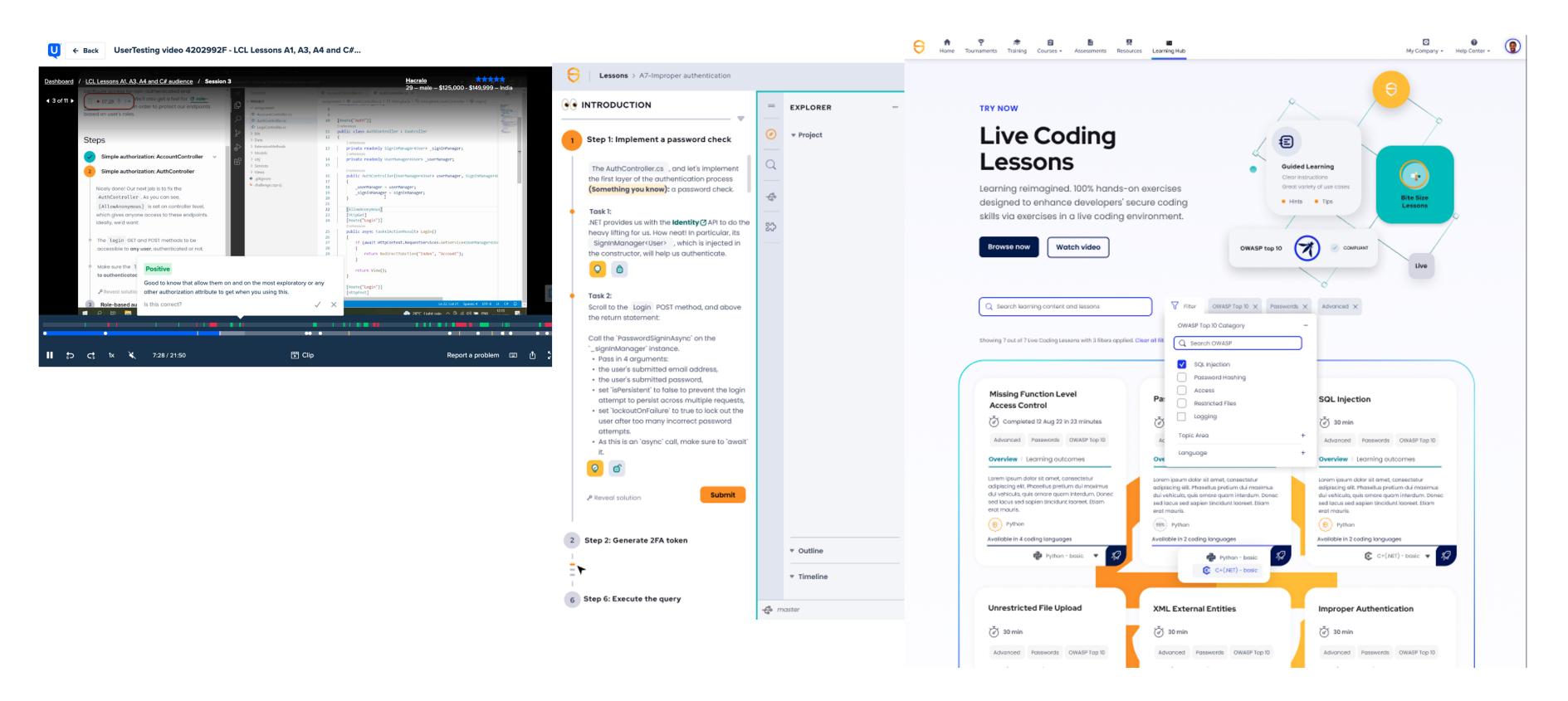
Customer will be able to switch from their profile drop down in the nav.



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# **Live Coding Lessons**



## Developer Challenges

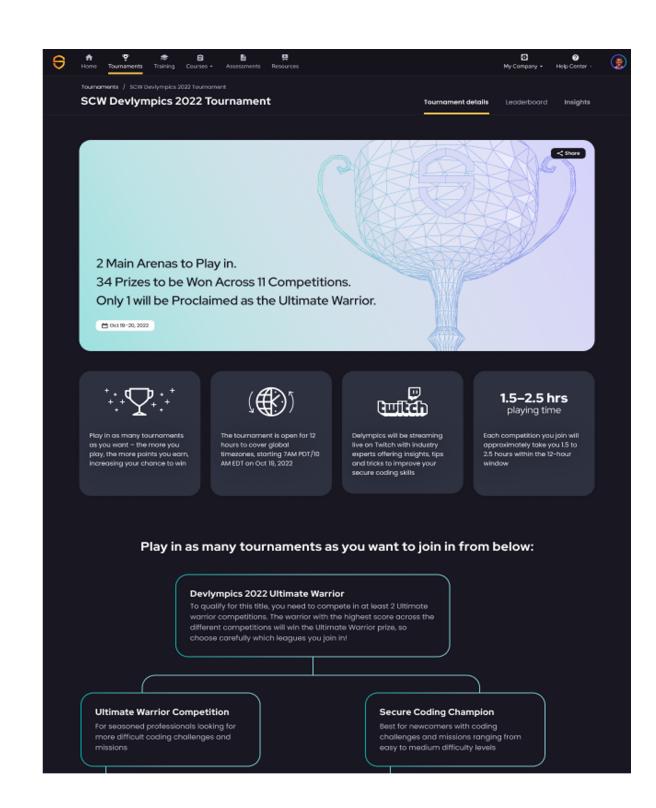
Public facing challenges for developers in new dark theme

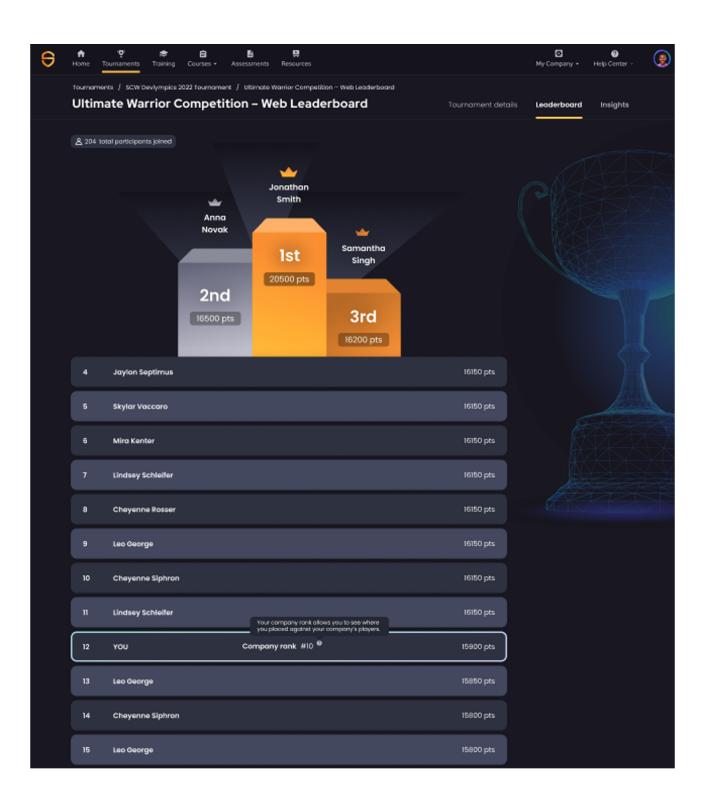
Accessible colors & fonts

Fixed: Alt tags

Fixed: Accessible forms

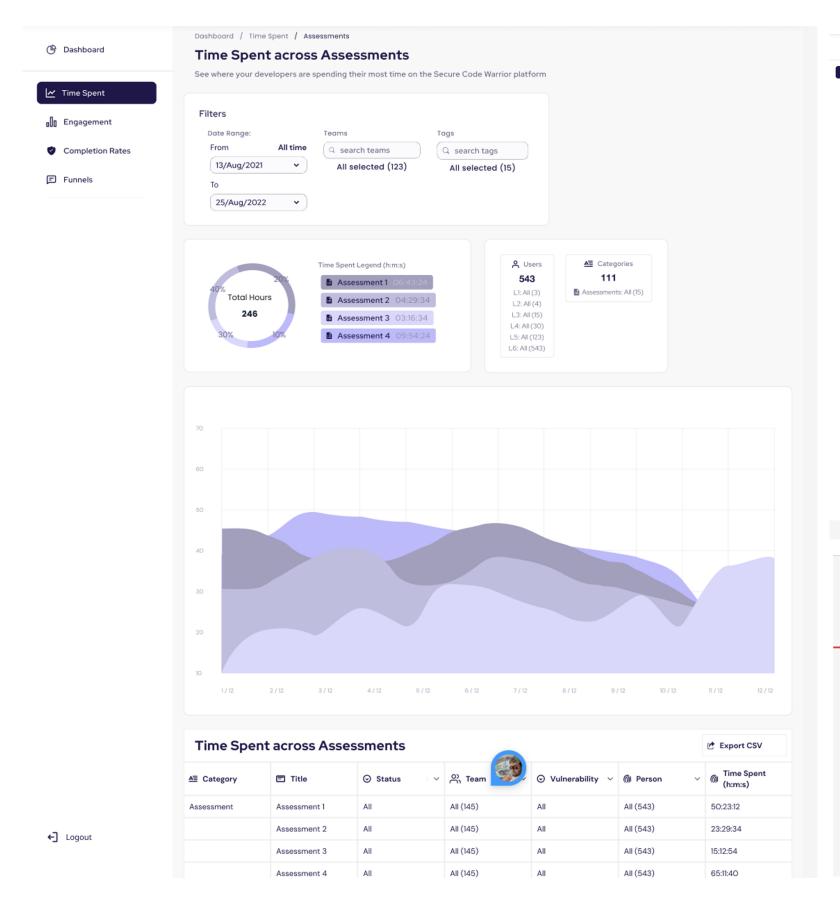
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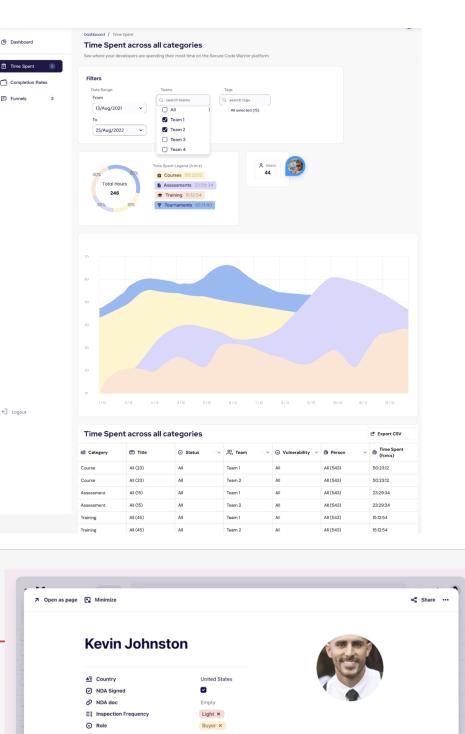




# Reporting

Early reporting work in progress





Sales X

# Where we're headed next... 6-EMBEDDED **UX IS EMBEDDED IN THE ORG** 5 - ENGAGED UX IS THE STRATEGY 4 - COMMITTED 3-INVESTED UX IS VERY IMPORTANT 2-INTERESTED

6 levels of design maturity

1 - UNRECOGNIZED UX IS NOT IMPORTANT

UX IS GOOD TO HAVE

# The Road Ahead

- Regions of Excellence
- Innovation with Triads
- Welcome new(er) team members

# Strategic domains

#### APAC + AMER

Intelligence

Poviding data,
insights and reporting
to empower
customers & devs

Integrations

Connecting to other products

Growth

Optimizing prepurchase, buying, onboarding and growth experiences

#### **EMEA**

Learning

Best-in-class secure coding educational content and learning experiences as well as their associated configuration

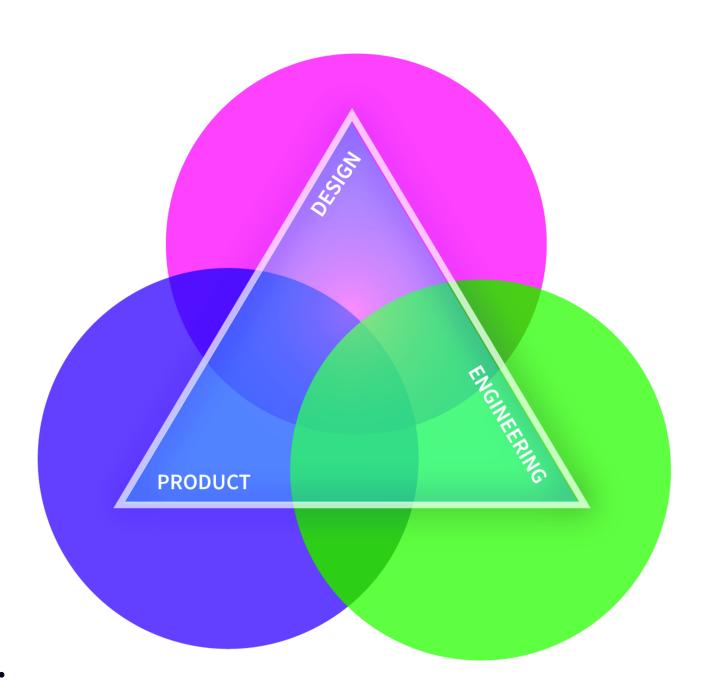
#### Global

**Foundations** 

Provides centralized value that benefits the whole i.e. security, privacy & compliance, accessibility, product data, API experience, internal dev enablement

#### **Innovation with Triads**

- Archetypical product triad:
   Product Manager + Designer + Tech Lead
- Shared ownership leads to shared (and deeper) understanding
- Less handoffs = less miscommunication and better solutions
- Other triad combinations and even "quads" are possible, e.g. including content, data science etc.



## Welcome New Product & Design Hires!



# Questions? Just Ask

- VP of Product
- VP of Engineering
- Head of Design