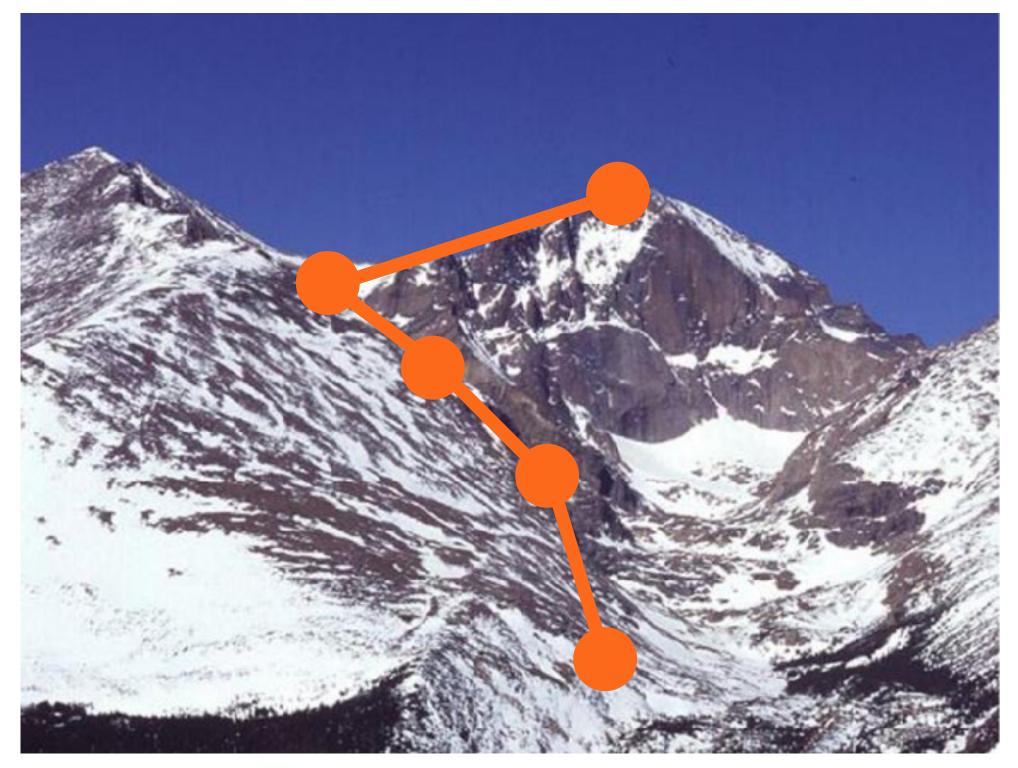
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Class 2: Designing technical presentations

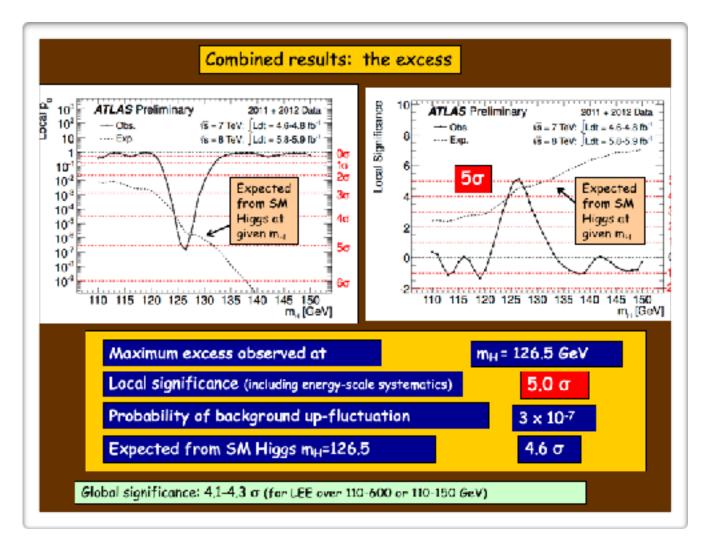
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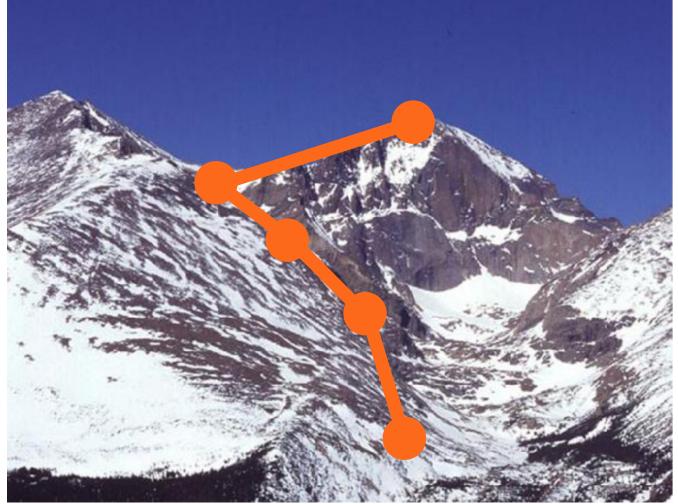


Today you will learn how to design scientific presentations

Good and bad examples of technical presentations

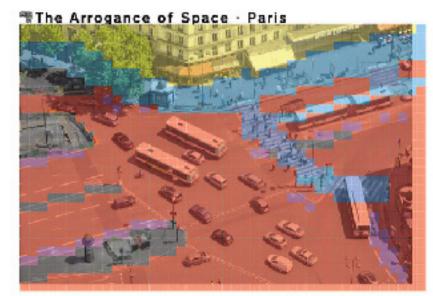


Structural design of presentations

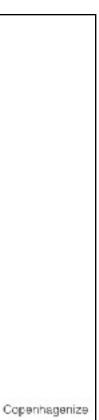


Slide design

Space is not distributed in a fair way between different modes of transport



Enace for parts Espace for bikes Proved space Reliting Space for cars and used space



Today you will NOT learn

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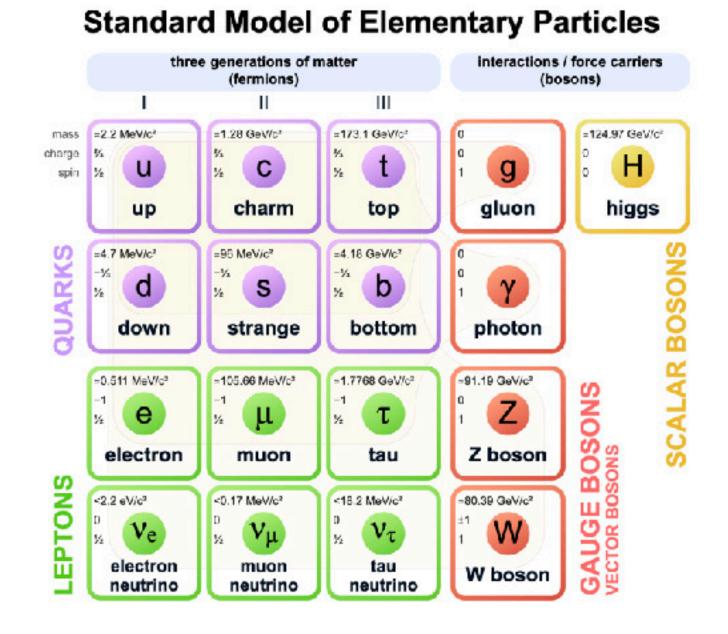
Will be done by Helle in class 5 on Sep 24.



Finding the Higgs Boson was the most important goal of particle physics for decades

The Higgs Boson validates the **Standard Model of Physics**

The Higgs Boson is what gives mass to particles





https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard_Model



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It was proposed by Peter Higgs and other physicists in 1964!

Because of its significance some media called it "God Particle"

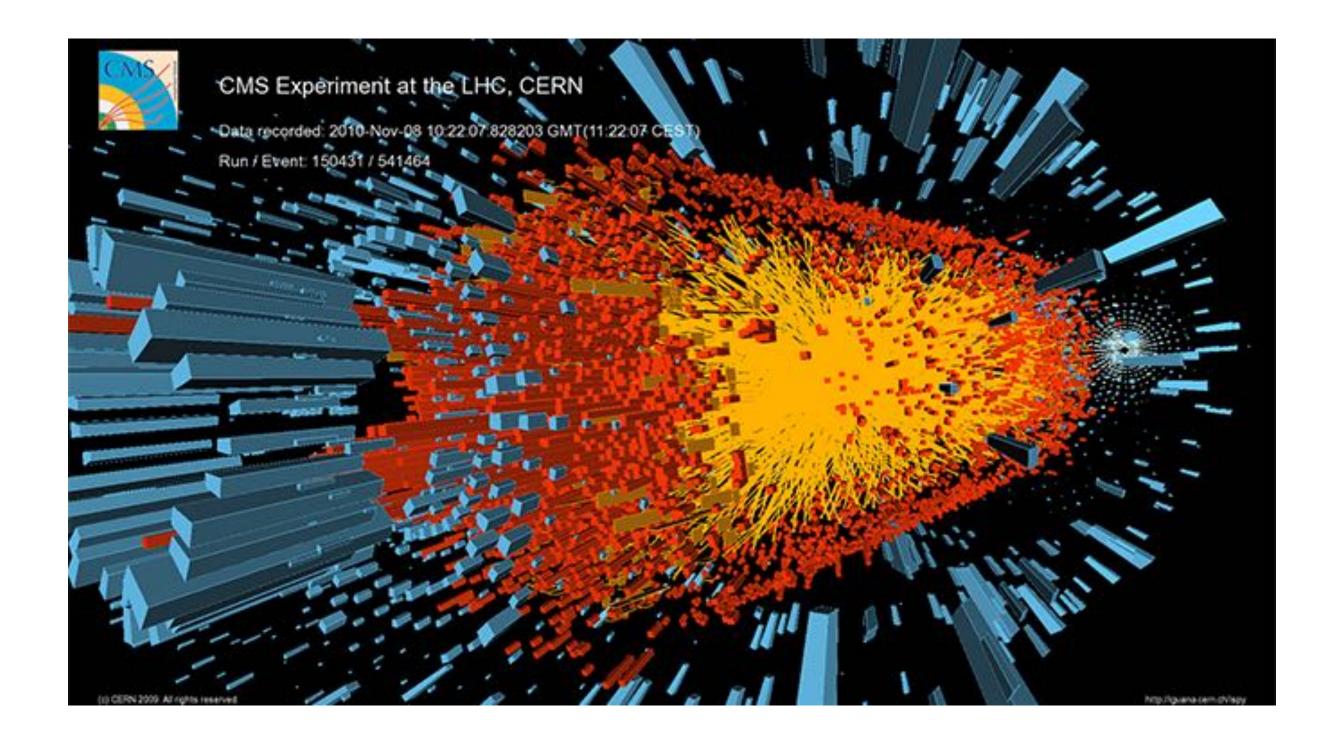




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When CERN discovered a new boson, it lead to extreme media hype and ultimately to a Nobel Prize for Higgs



The LHC costed 13,500,000,000 EUR

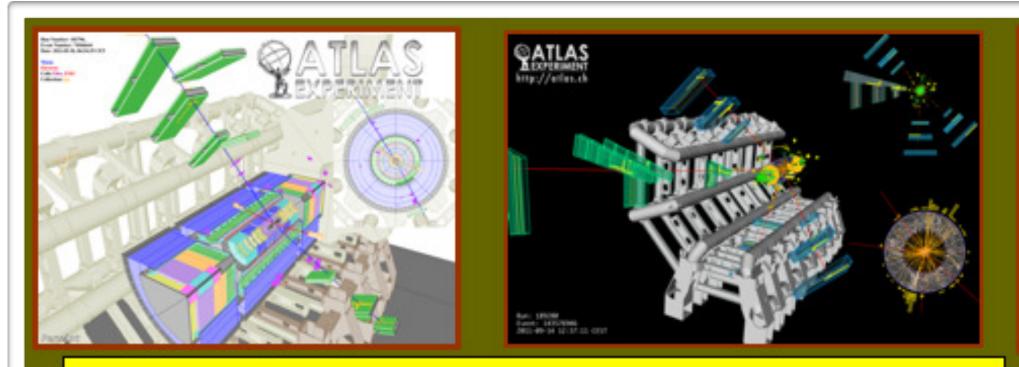
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Let's look at how CERN announced its monumental discovery

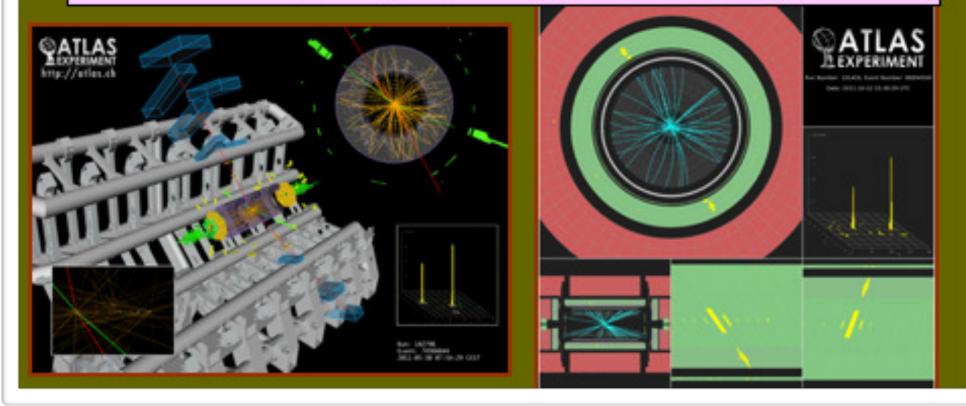
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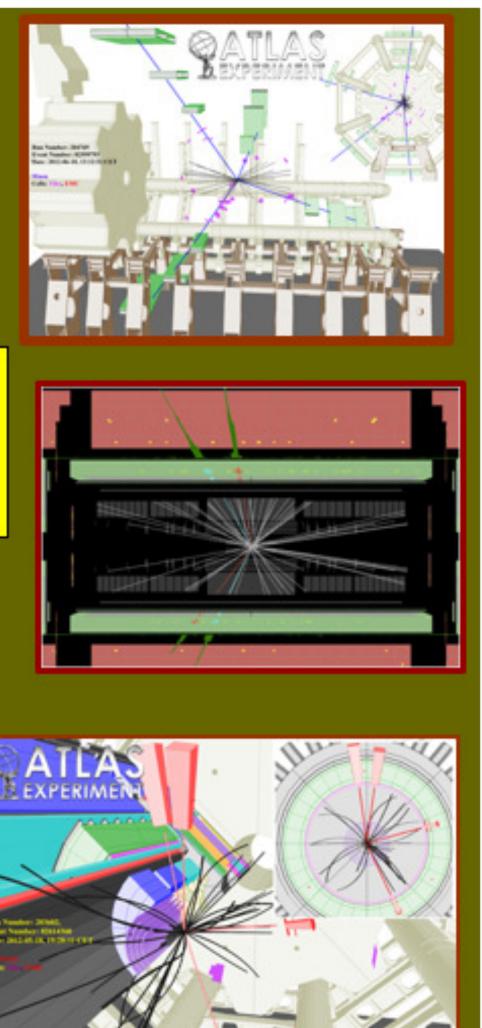


Status of Standard Model Higgs searches in ATLAS

Using the full datasets recorded in 2011 at $\int s = 7$ TeV and 2012 at *Js*=8 TeV: up to 10.7 fb⁻¹

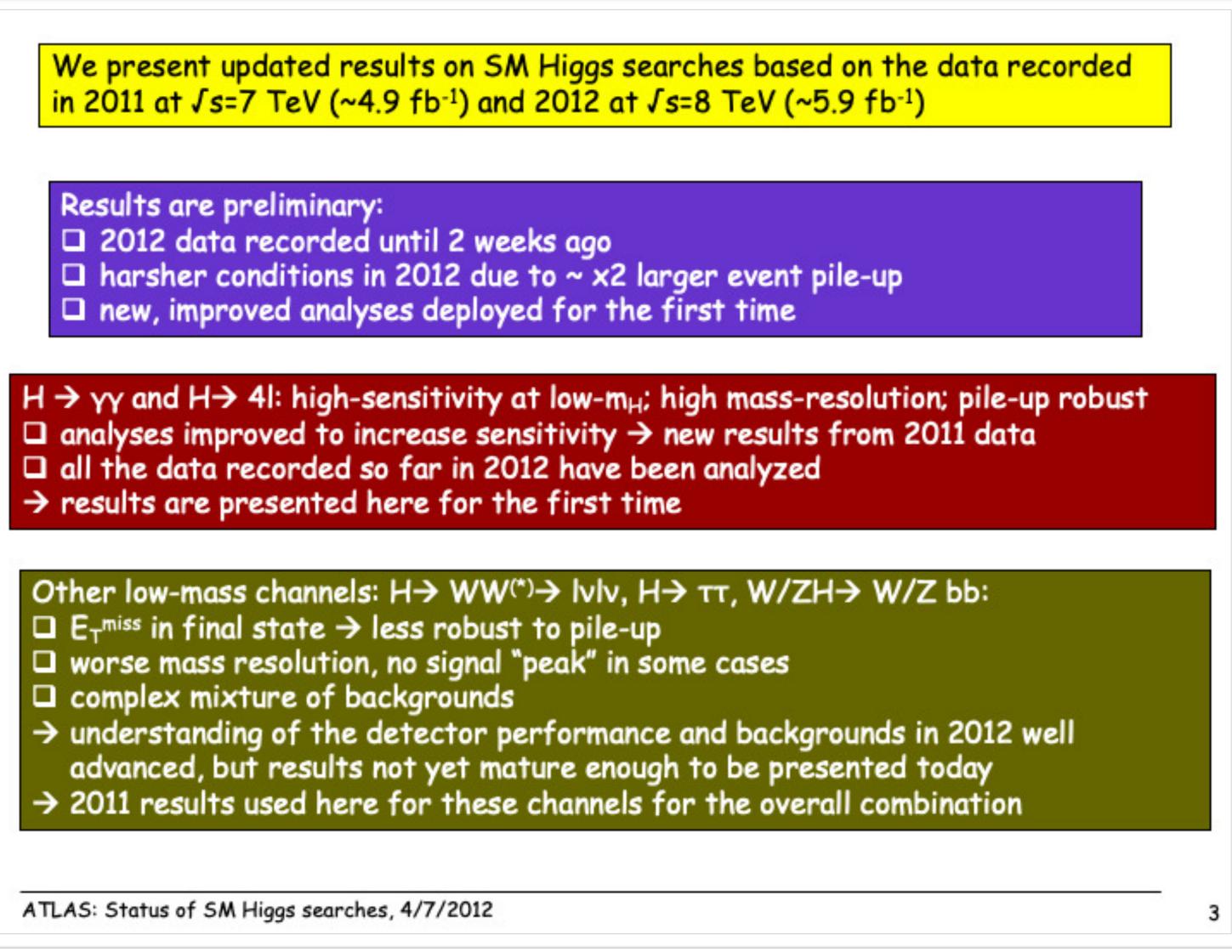
Fabiola Gianotti (CERN), representing the ATLAS Collaboration





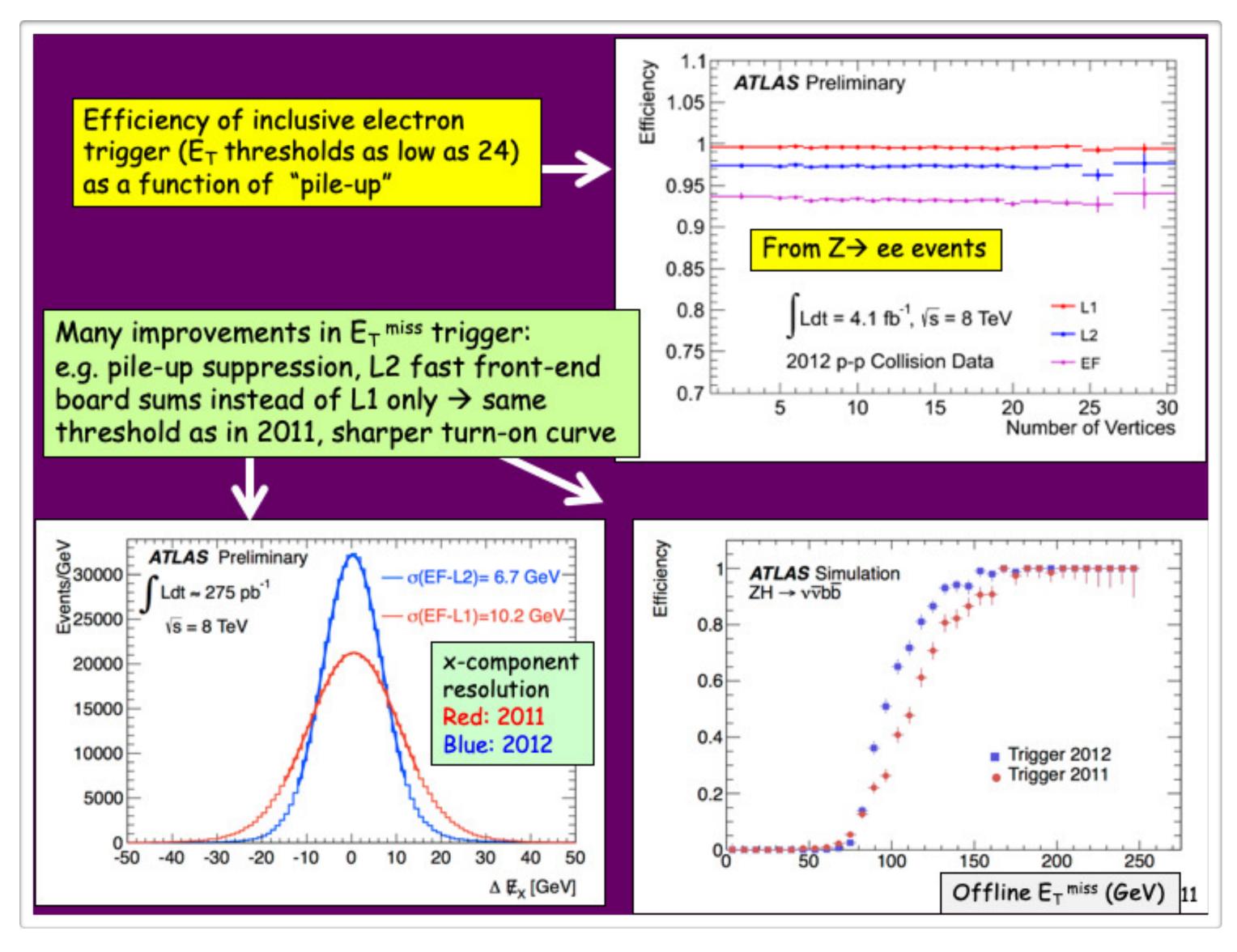


Slide 3 from the announcement





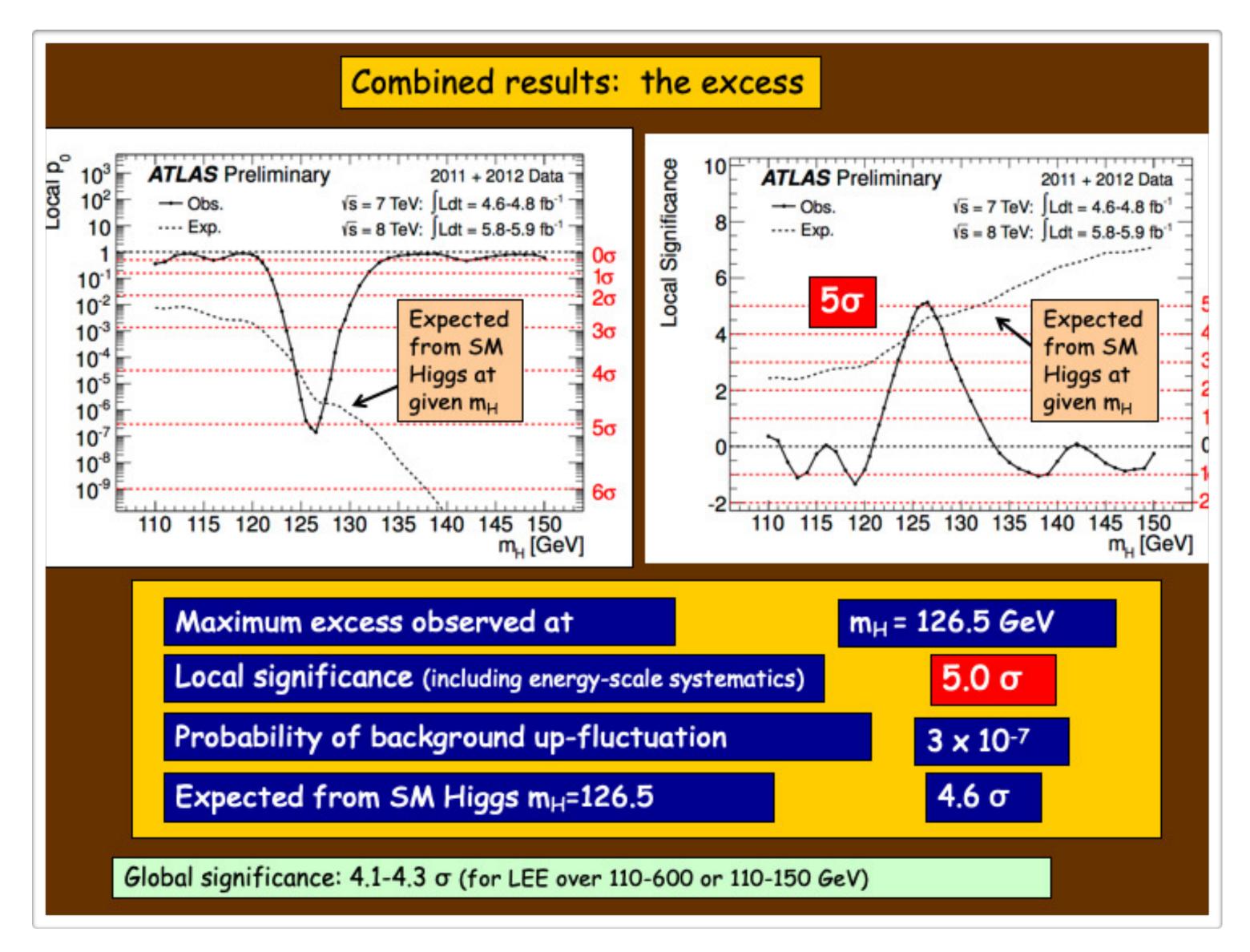
Slide 11 from the announcement





After 32 more slides with similar details...

The big result is presented on slide 44





The big result is summarized on slide 51

We have presented preliminary results on searches for a SM Higgs boson using the full data sample recorded so far for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow 41$ (Js=7, 8 TeV, ~10.7 fb⁻¹) and the 2011 data ($\int s=7 \text{ TeV}$, ~ 4.9 fb⁻¹) for the other channels

Impressive accomplishment of the experiment in all its components: first results with full 2012 dataset were available less than one week from "end of data-taking", with a fraction of good-quality data used for physics of ~ 90% of the delivered luminosity

We have looked for a SM Higgs over the mass region 110-600 GeV in 12 channels

We have excluded at 99% CL the full region up to 523 GeV except 121.8< m_H<130.7 GeV

We observe an excess of events at $m_H \sim 126.5$ GeV with local significance 5.0 σ

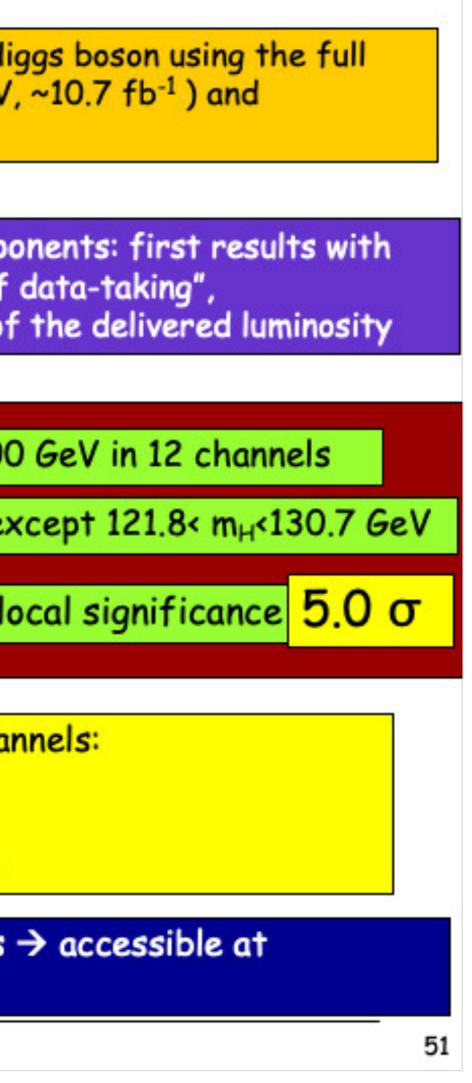
□ The excess is driven by the two high mass resolution channels: $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma (4.5 \sigma)$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4I (3.4 \sigma)$

Expected significance from a SM Higgs: 4.6 σ

 \Box Fitted signal strength: 1.2 \pm 0.3 of the SM expectation

If it is the SM Higgs, it's very kind of it to be at that mass → accessible at LHC in $\gamma\gamma$, ZZ^{*} \rightarrow 4I, WW^{*} \rightarrow IvIv, bb, $\tau\tau$

ATLAS: Status of SM Higgs searches, 4/7/2012





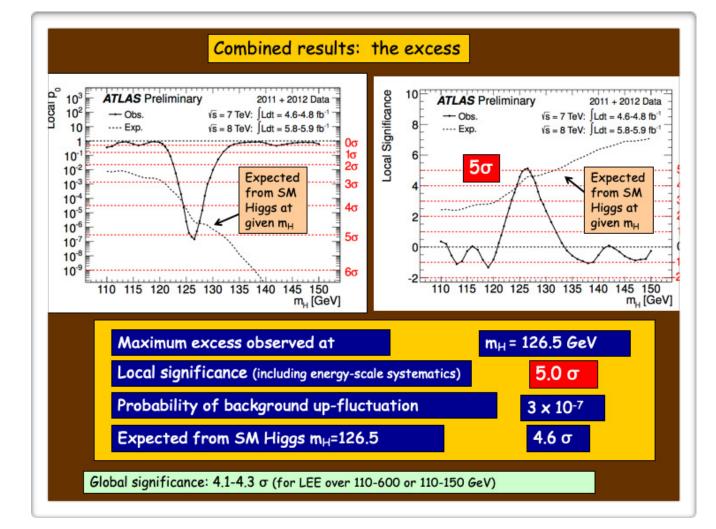
EXERCISE: What is wrong with this presentation?

Form groups of 4.

5 min: Discuss in group: 1) What are the biggest issues? 2) What is the reason for these issues?

5 min: Discuss with whole class





EXERCISE: What is wrong with this presentation?

What went wrong in the communication situation?

3 min: Fill in the table.

Discussion: What happened?

	WHO	WHAT	WHOM	WHY	HOW
How it was imagined					
What happened					

Discussion: What is wrong with this presentation?

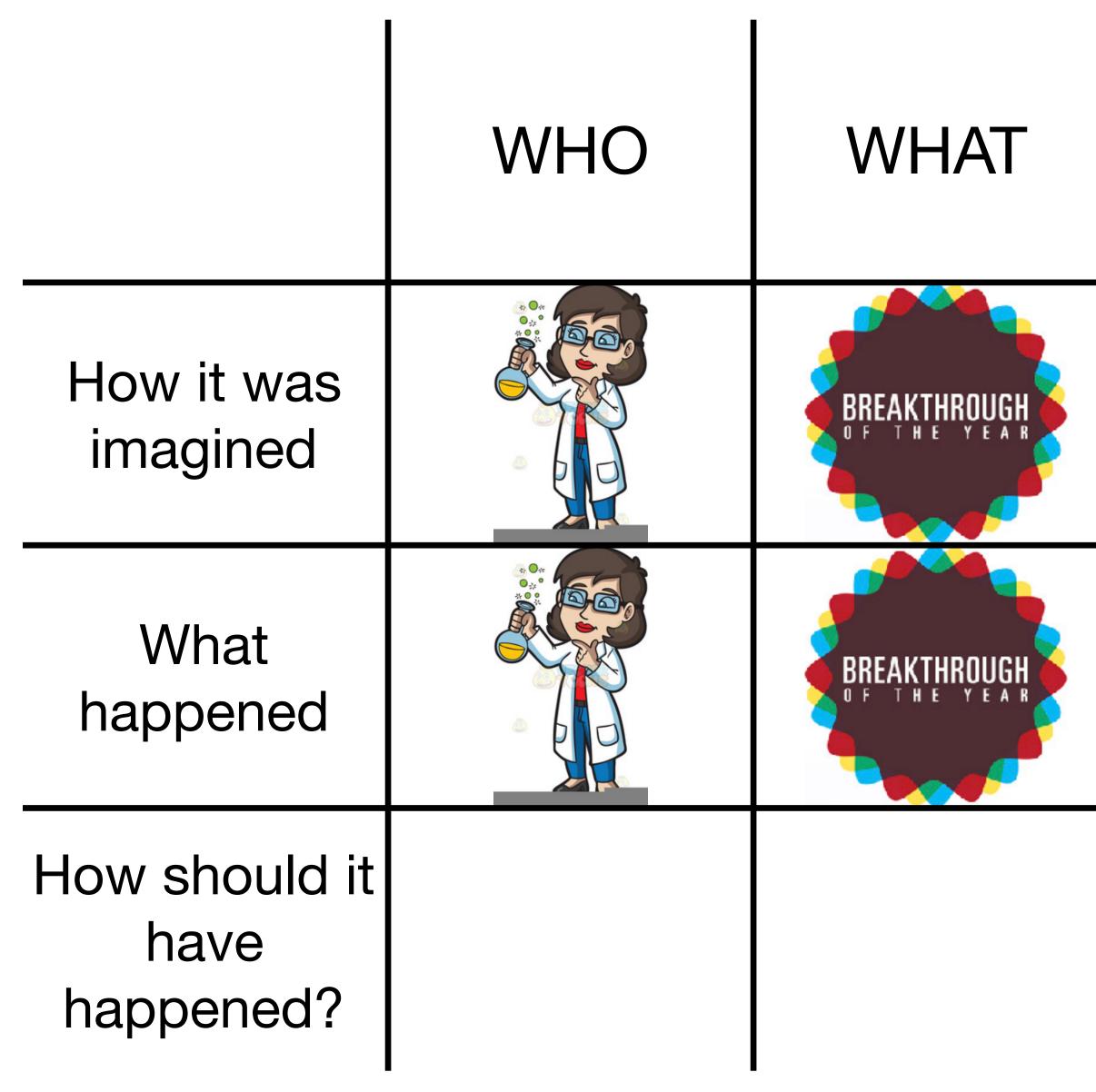
Main mistake: The audience is ignored!

Who is the audience? Experts (scientists) and non-experts (science journalists + public)





Ignoring the audience leads to a chain of problems



WHOM	WHY	HOW		
	To inform colleagues	Technical presentation		
	To inform colleagues	Technical presentation		



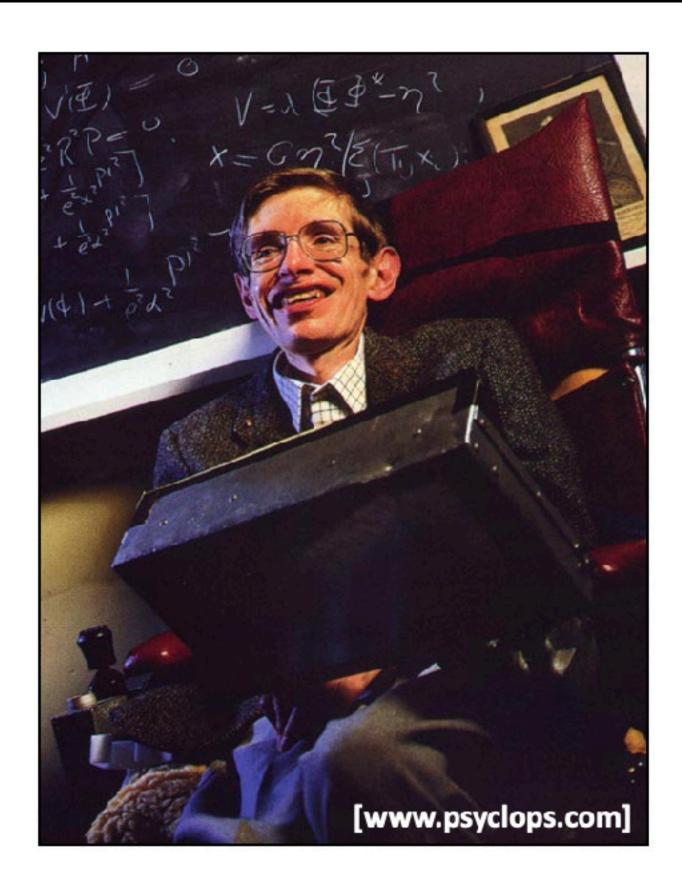
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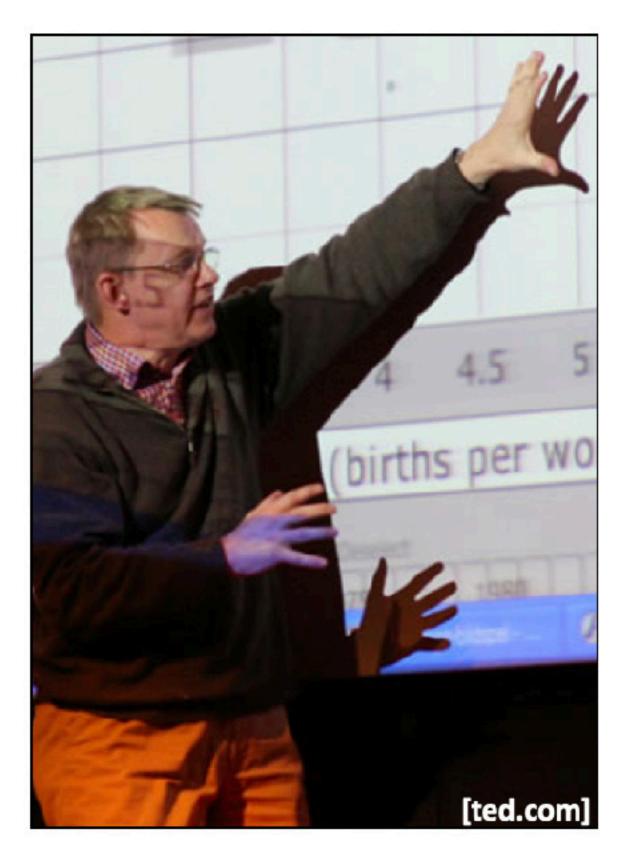
	WHO	WHAT	WHOM	WHY	HOW
How it was imagined		BREAKTHROUGH OFTHEYEAR		To inform colleagues	Technical presentation
What happened		BREAKTHROUGH OFTHEYEAR		To inform colleagues	Technical presentation
How should it have happened?		BREAKTHROUGH OFTHEYEAR		To inform the public	Non-technica presentation



Structural design of presentations

To excel in your presentations, you need content, passion, and a good sense of your audience







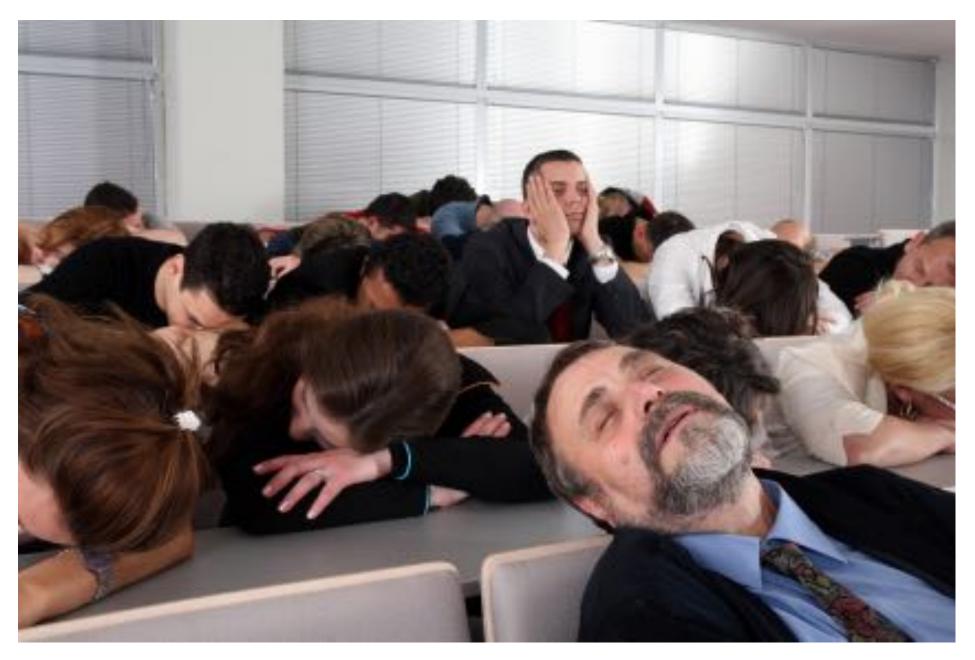
Both content and passion are necessary

Passion but no content

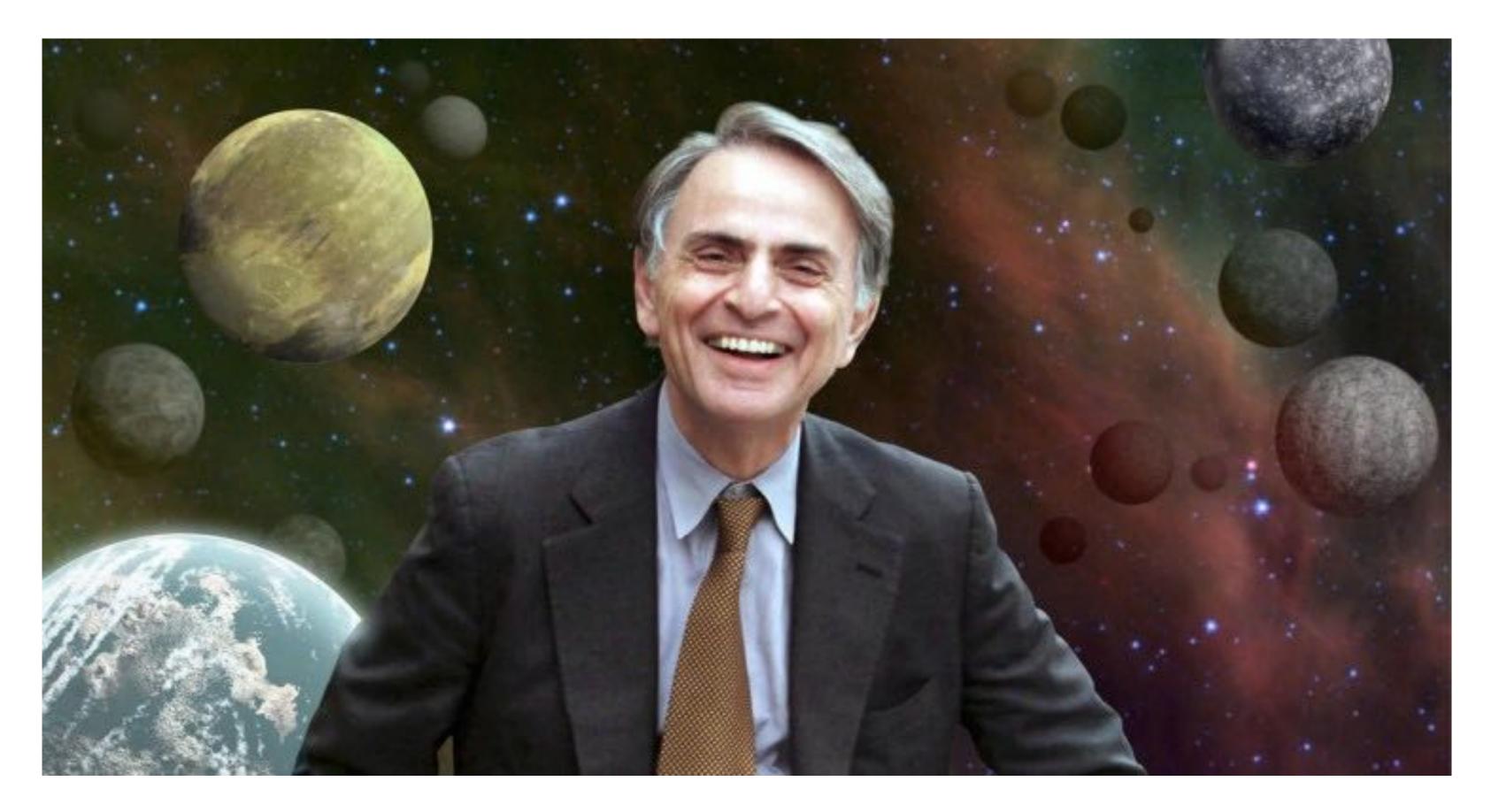




Content but no passion



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Carl Sagan effect: Mistaking passionate communication with lack of content

When presenting, you must seize upon the advantages of presentations and downplay the disadvantages

Advantages?

Disadvantages?

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Advantages

- Chance to answer questions
- Chance to read expressions
- <u>Chance to emphasize key points</u>
- <u>Ability to use visual aids</u>
- Assurance that audience has witnessed the content

Disadvantages

- One chance to talk, one chance to hear
- Difficult for audience to look up background information
- Audience restricted by pace of speaker
- Success dependent on delivery
- Difficult assembling speaker and audience



Audience



Audience



What do they know?

Audience



What do they know?

Why will they be interested?

Audience

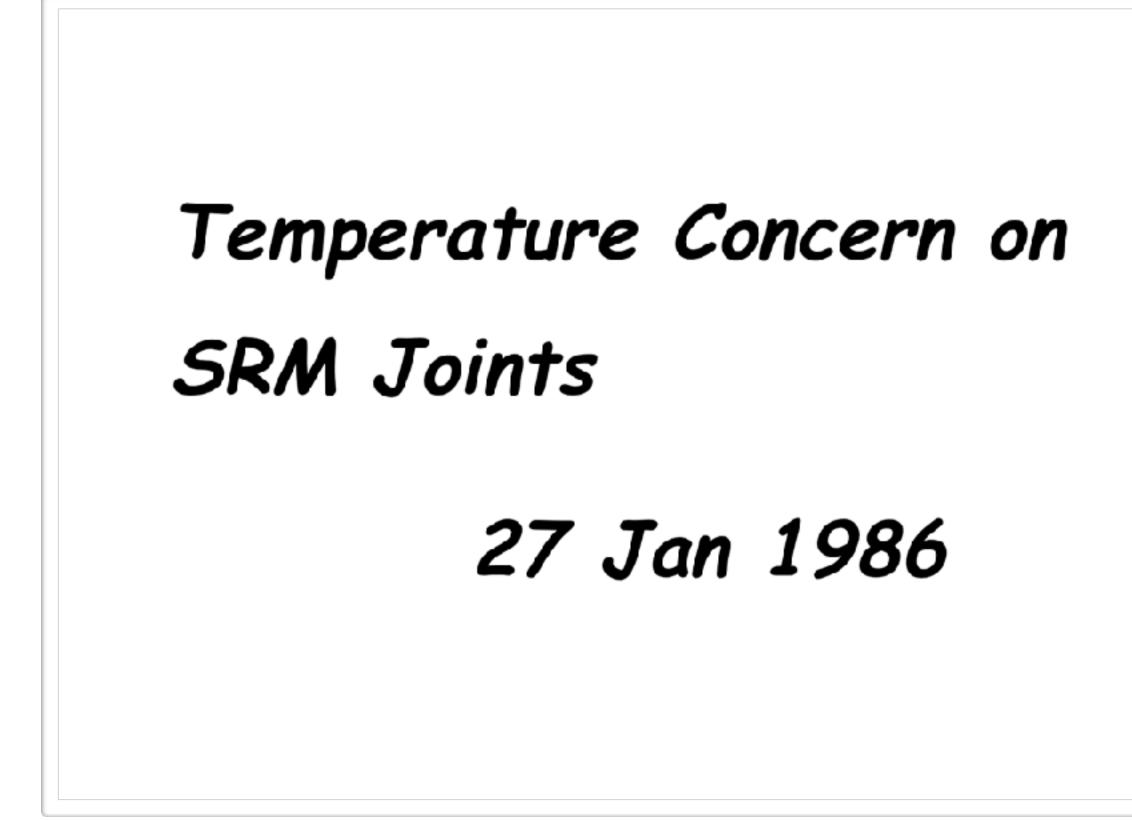


What do I want to achieve? Inform, persuade, inspire?

What do they know?

Why will they be interested?

DISCUSSION: Why are these slides not persuasive?



HISTORY OF O-RING DAMAGE ON SRM FIELD JOINTS

	SRM No.	Cross Sectional View			Top View		
		Erosion Depth _(in.)	Perimeter Affected (deg)	Nominal Dia. (in.)	Length Of Max Erosion (in.)	Total Heat Affected Length (in.)	Clocking Location (deg)
61A LH Center Field**	22A	None	None	0.280	None	None	36° - 66°
61A LH CENTER FIELD**	22A	NONE	NONE	0.280	NONE	NONE	338° - 18°
51C LH Forward Field**	1 5A	0.010	154.0	0.280	4.25	5.25	163
51C RH Center Field (prim)***	15 B	0.038	130.0	0.280	12.50	58.75	354
51C RH Center Field (sec)***	15 B	None	45.0	0.280	None	29.50	354
410 RH Forward Field	13B	0.028	110.0	0.280	3.00	None	275
41C LH Aft Field*	11A	None	None	0.280	None	None	-
410 LH Forward Field	10 A	0.040	217.0	0.280	3.00	14.50	351
STS-2 RH Aft Field	28	0.053	116.0	0.280	-	-	50

*Hot gas path detected in putty. Indication of heat on O-ring, but no damage.

**Soot behind primary O-ring.

***Soot behind primary O-ring, heat affected secondary O-ring.

Clocking rotation of leak check port - 0 deg.

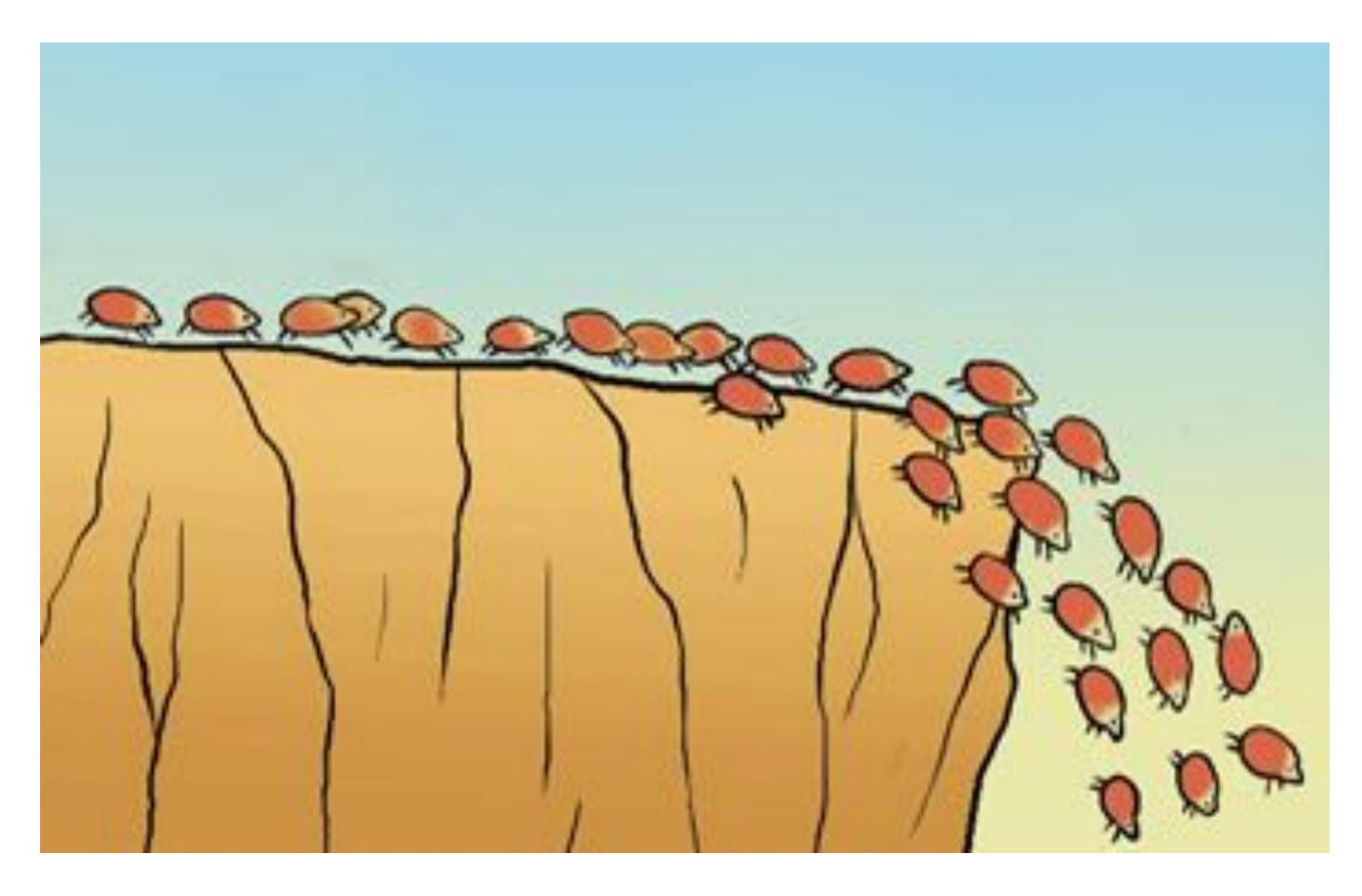
OTHER SRM-15 FIELD JOINTS HAD NO BLOWHOLES IN PUTTY AND NO SOOT HEAR OR BEYOND THE PRIMARY O-RING

SRM-22 FORWARD FIELD JOINT HAD PUTTY PATH TO PRIMARY 0-RING, BUT NO O-RING EROSION AND NO SOOT BLOWBY. OTHER SRM-22 FIELD JOINTS HAD NO BLOWHOLES IN PUTTY.



There is a culture of ineffective technical presentations. Why?

We imitate and follow social norms



What if the norm is bad?

Slides are an aid, NOT the main content



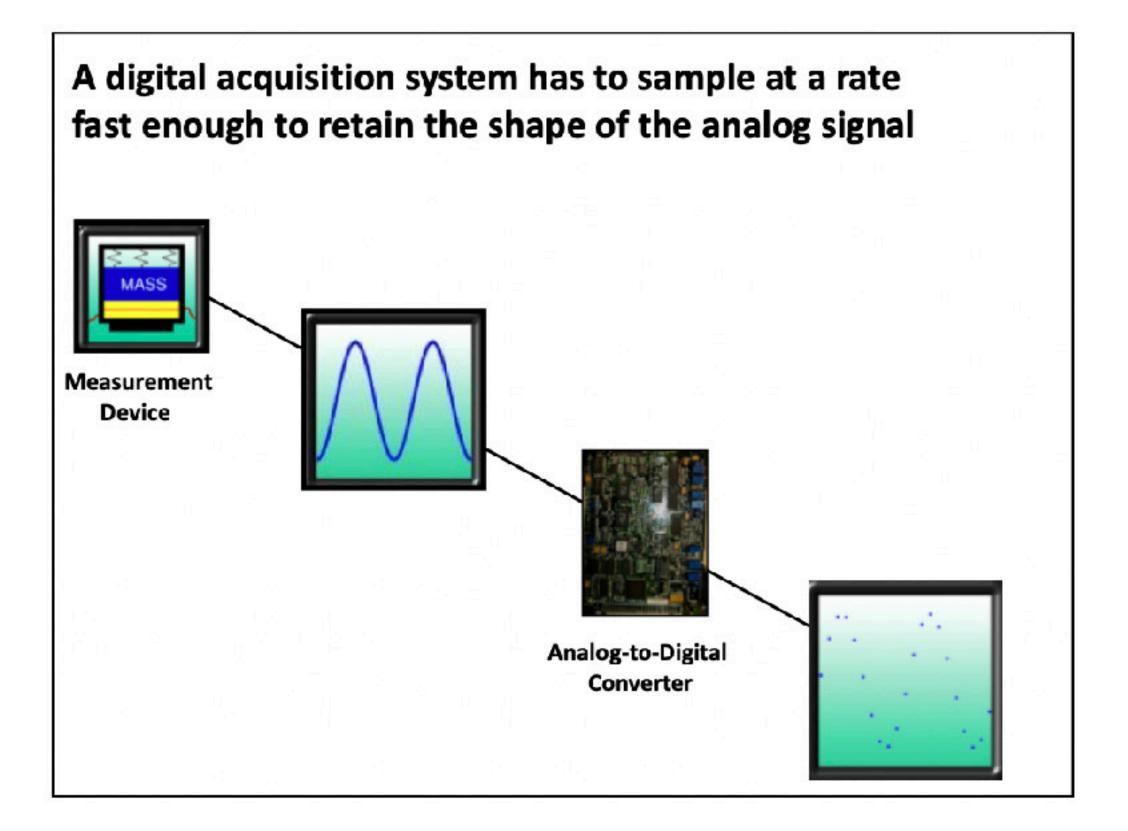
Not everything in a presentation needs slides



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Slides are for the audience, NOT for the presenter





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Literature Review

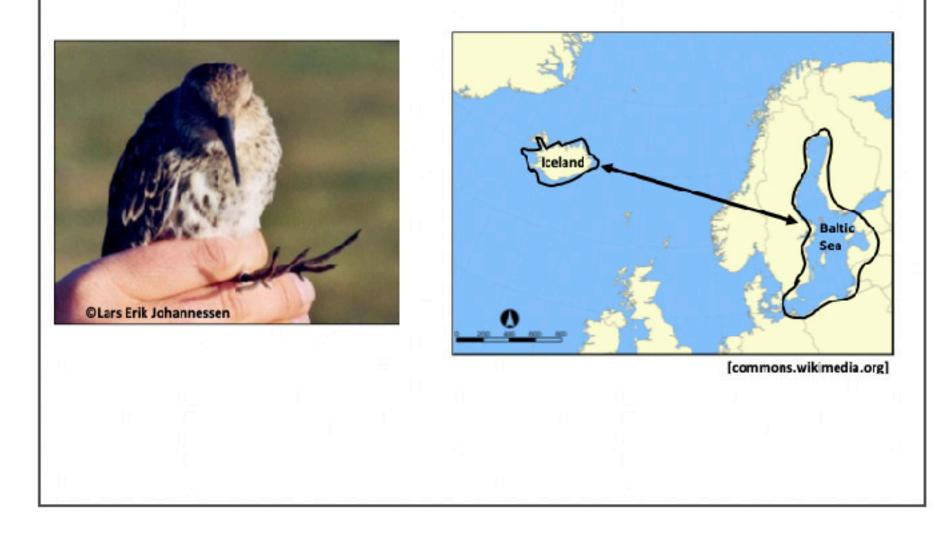
Hefner developed a dynamic electro-thermal model for IGBT. from of the temperature-dependent IGBT silicon chip, packages and here sinks. The temperature-dependent IGBT electrical model describes the instantaneous electrical behavior in terms of the instantaneous temperature of the IGBT silicon chip surface. The instantaneous power dissipated in the IGBT is calculated using the electrical model and determines the instantaneous heat ranchat is applied to the surface of the silicon chip thermal model. Hefner incorporated this methodology into the *SABER* circuit simulator.

Adams, Joshi and Blackharn considered thermal interactions between the heat sources, substrate, and encloses walls as affected by the thermal conductance of the walls and substrate with the intent of determining which physical effects and level of detail are necessary to accurately predict thermal behavior of discretely heated enclosures.

chen, Wu and Borojevich are modeling of thermal and electrical behavior using several commercial softwares (I-DEAS, Maxwell, Flotherm and Saber) and 3-D, transient approaches.

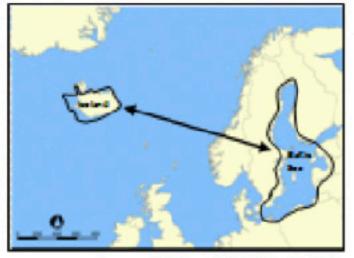
If you want a detailed takeaway, prepare a handout

Our research question is whether the dunlins of Iceland and the Baltic Sea are different subspecies



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Our research question is whether the dunlins of Iceland and the dunlins of the Baltic Sea are different subspecies. At present, the Dunlins Calidris alpina in Northern Europe are considered one subspecies. However, if the dunlins of Iceland and the dunlins of the Baltic Sea are in fact different subspecies, then the subspecies of the Baltic sea might be a threatened species because their numbers are declining.

Collaborators: Jan T. Lifield and Liv Wennerberg of the University of Oslo "Population Differentiation in Dunlins Calidris alpina in Northern Europe" (Oslo, Norway: Zoological Museum, University of Oslo, 6 June 2004).

References:

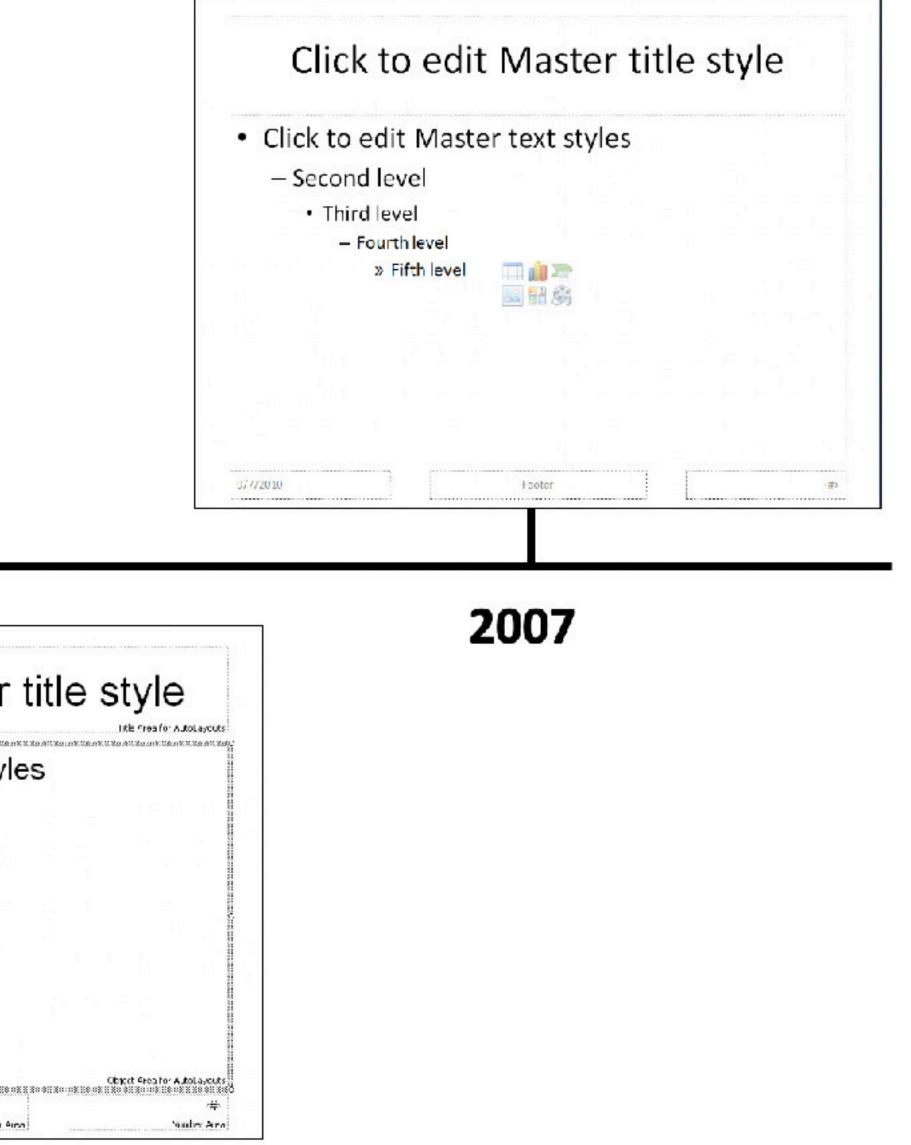
Photo of Baltic dunlin by Lars Erik Joannessen ©

Map of Norwegian Sea from Wikipedia Commons: http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Norwegian_Sea

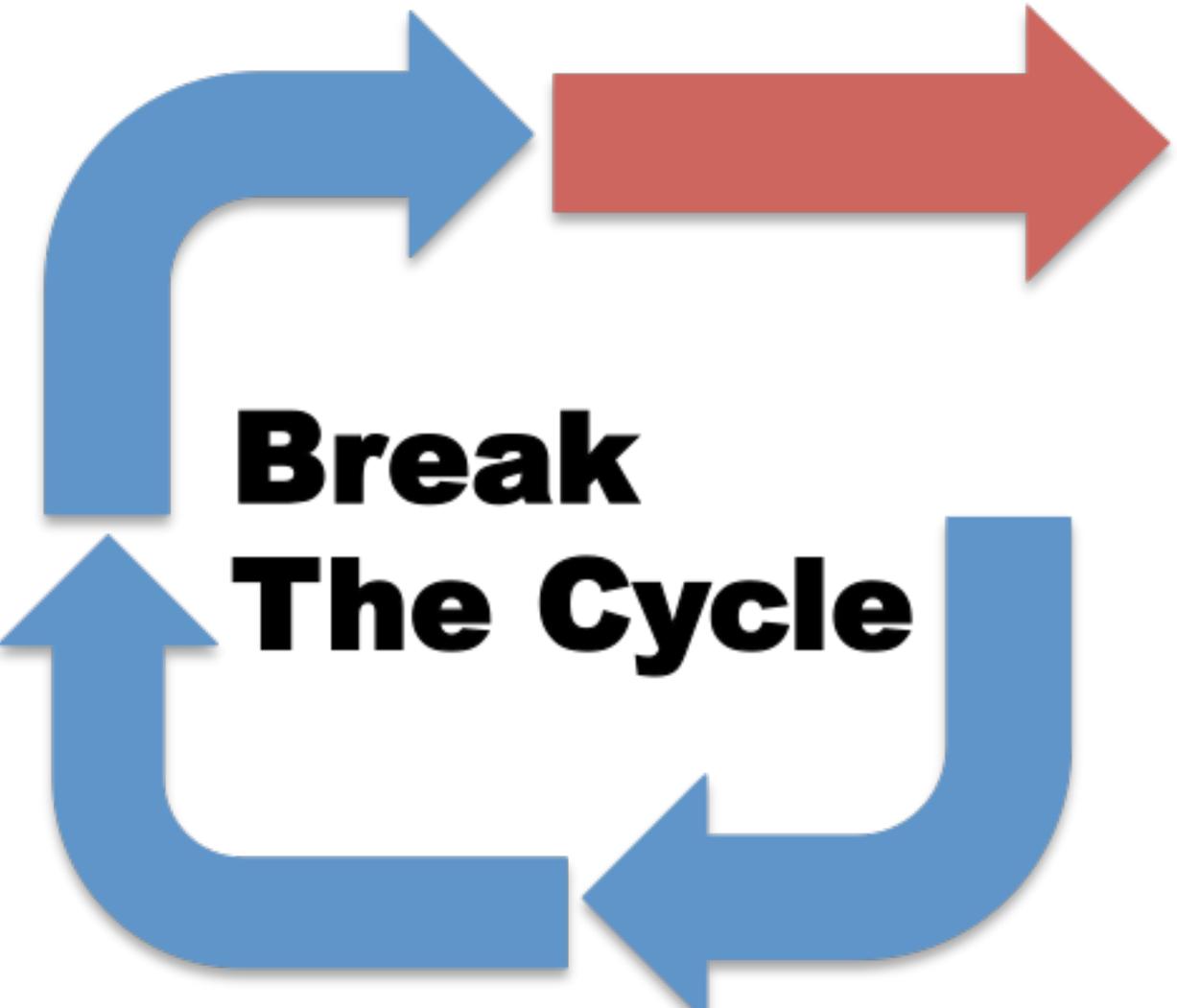
Principal Researcher: Gunnhild Marthinsen, University of Oslo

Presentation software defaults are bad

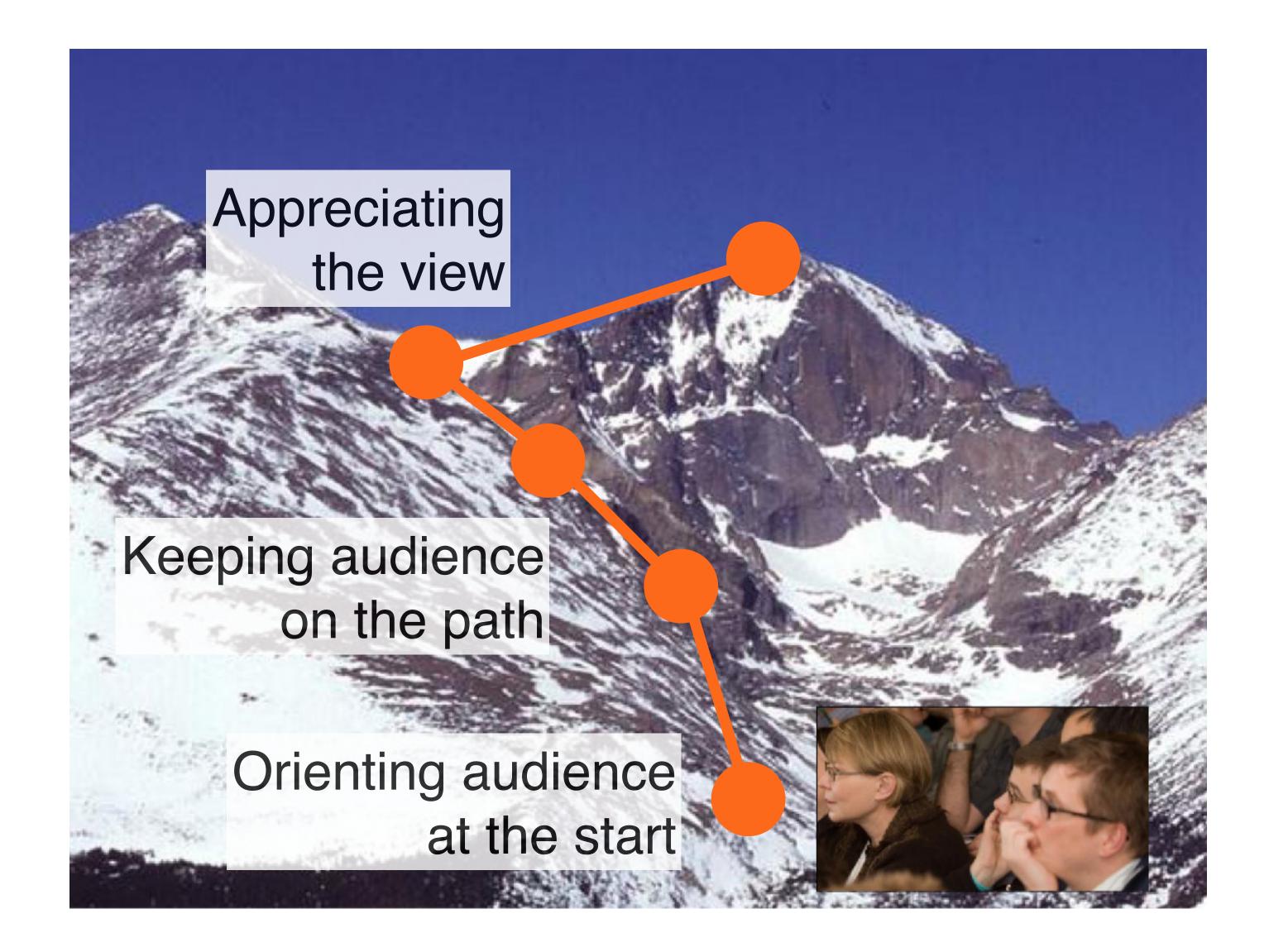
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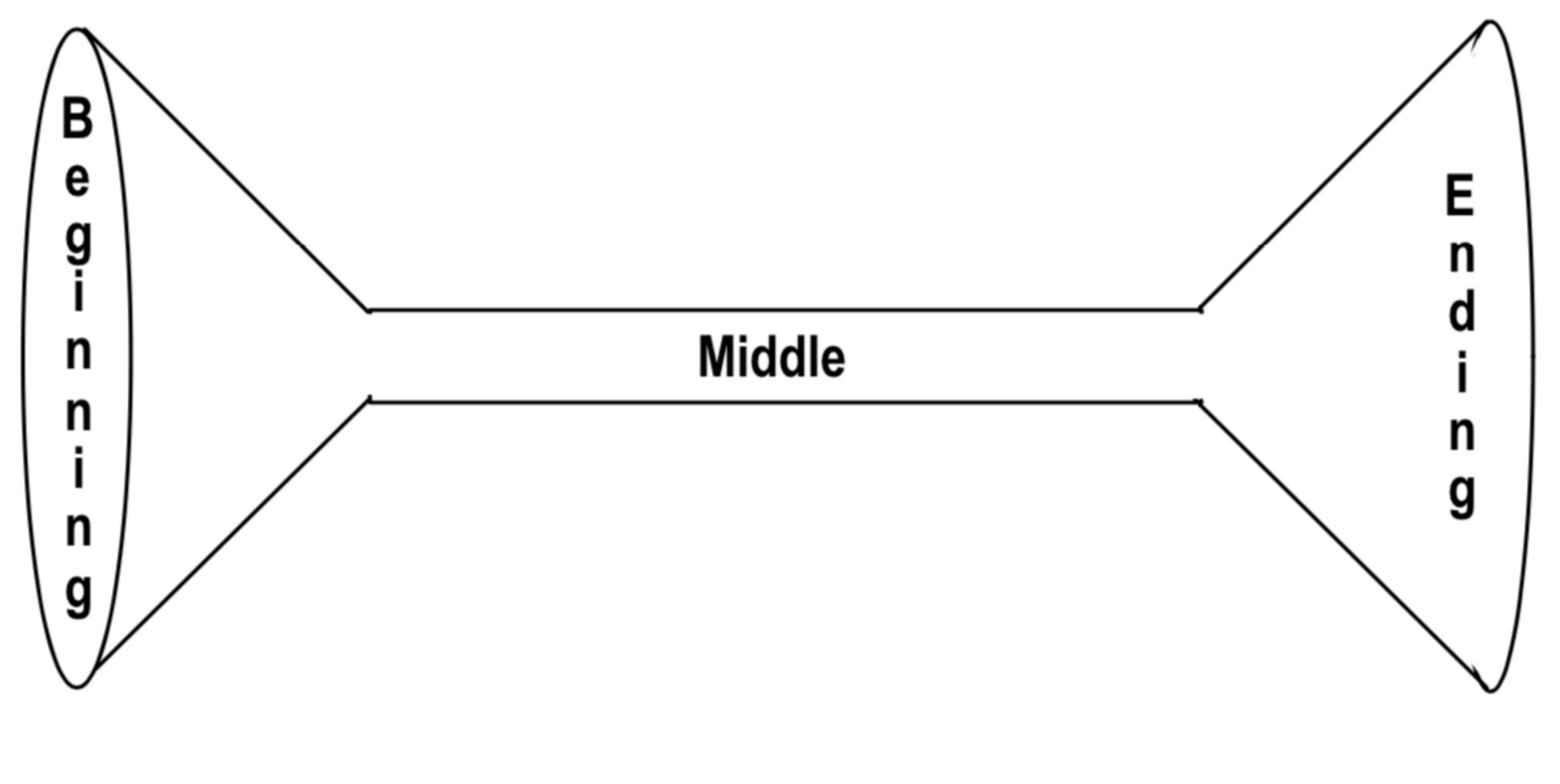
I need you to:



To excel in your scientific presentation, you guide your audience up the mountain of your work



Many good presentations have an hourglass structure

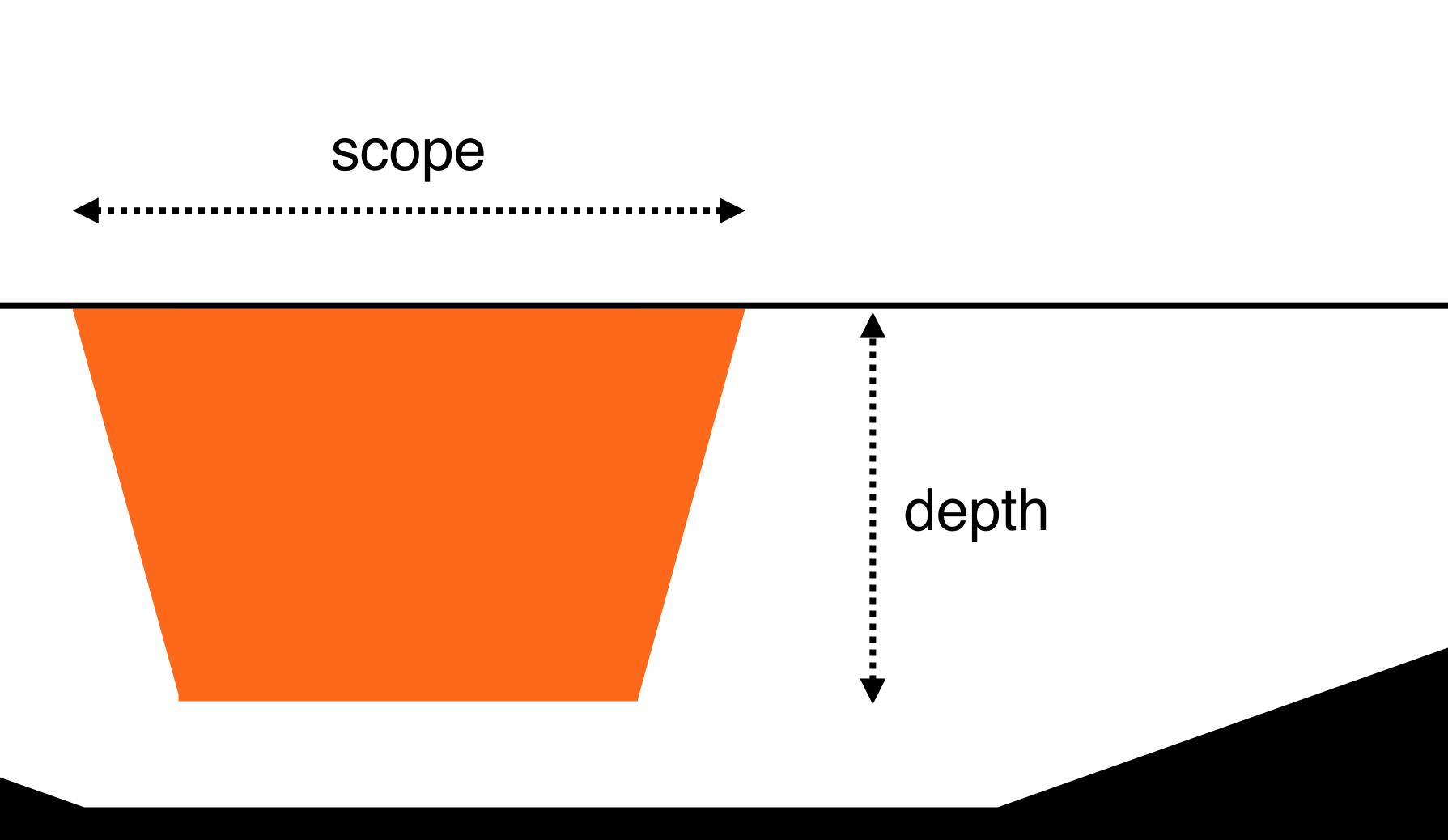


Big picture



Big picture

You must define a fitting scope and depth

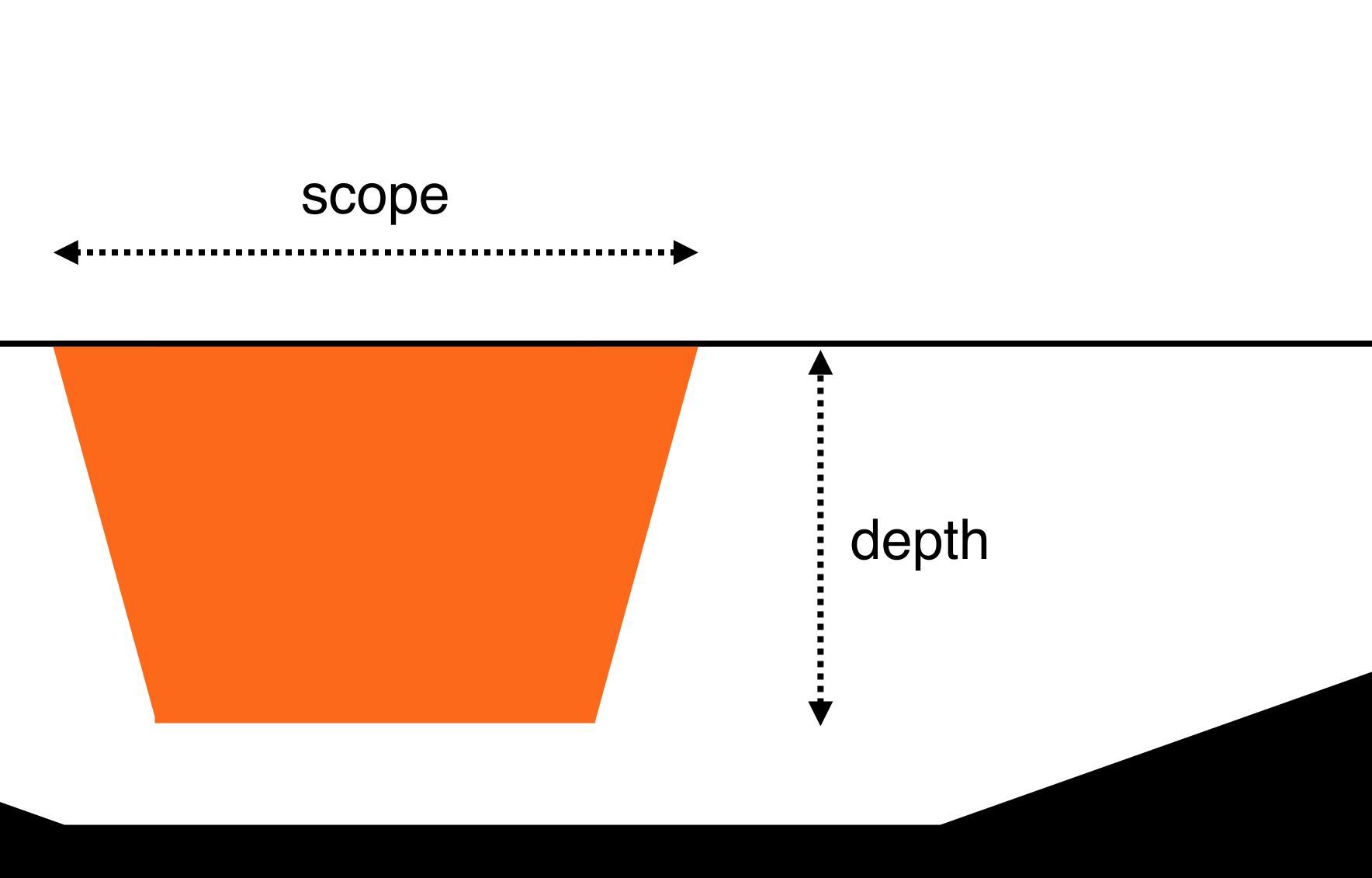


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The area is determined by the speaking time



unknown



unknown

too broad scope





too narrow depth

Problem 1: Trying to cover too much Problem 2: Talking too much about your struggles

too broad scope



too narrow depth

The success of a presentation is measured by how well you have communicated new insights.



Problem 1: Too many details Problem 2: Laundry lists, lack of guidance

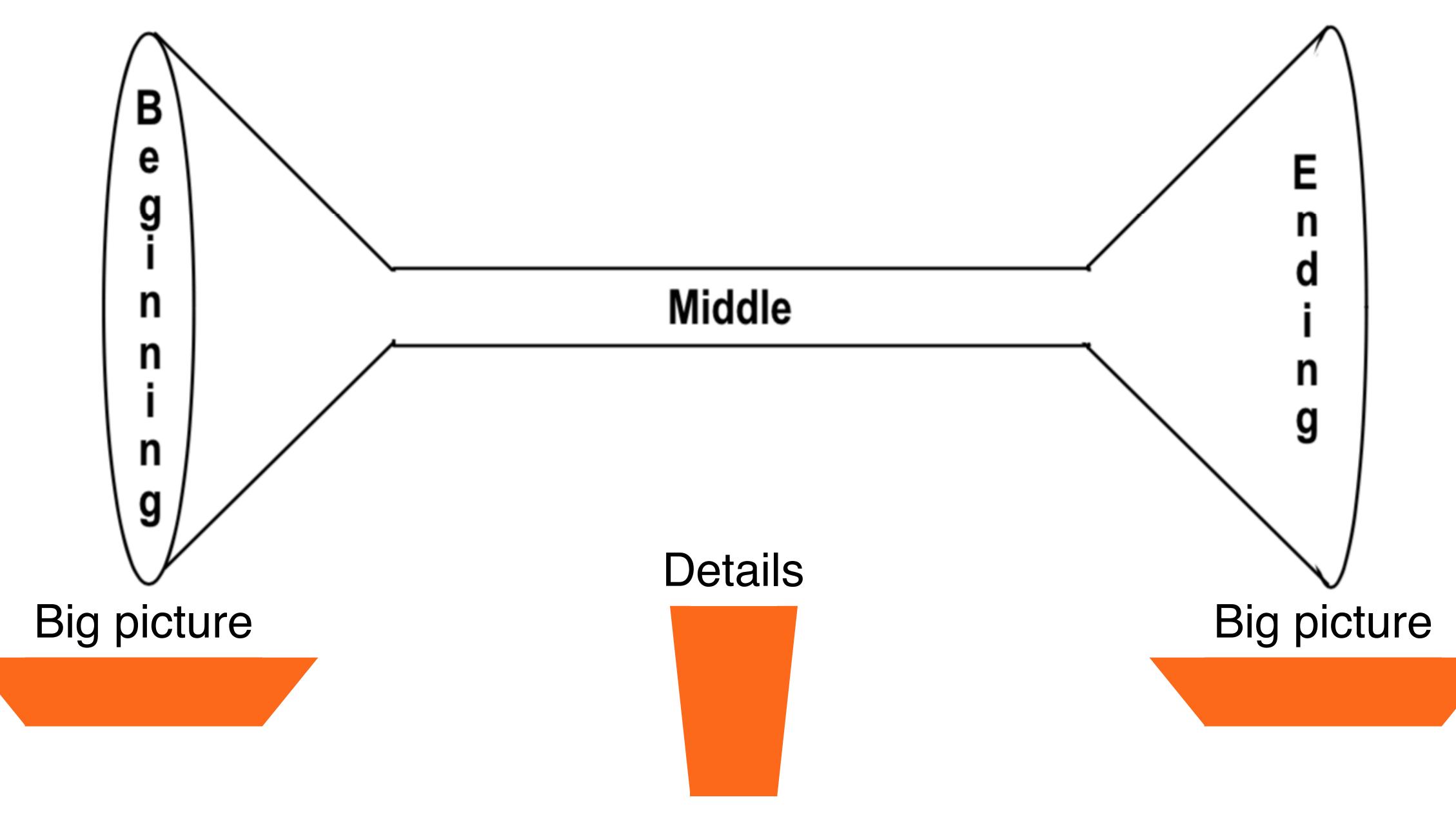




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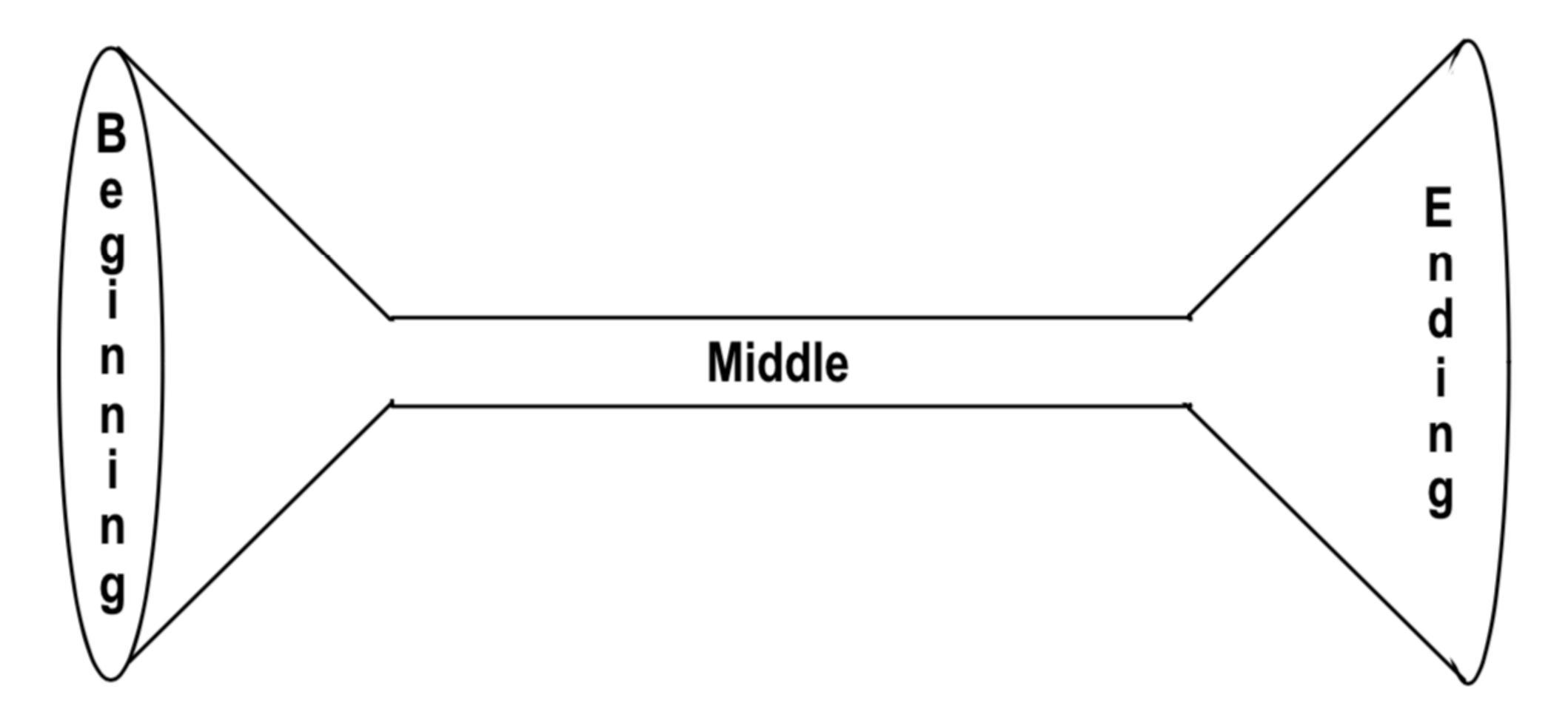
Accompany your facts with guidance

"This could sound obvious to you, but is an important concept to build on:" Easy fact

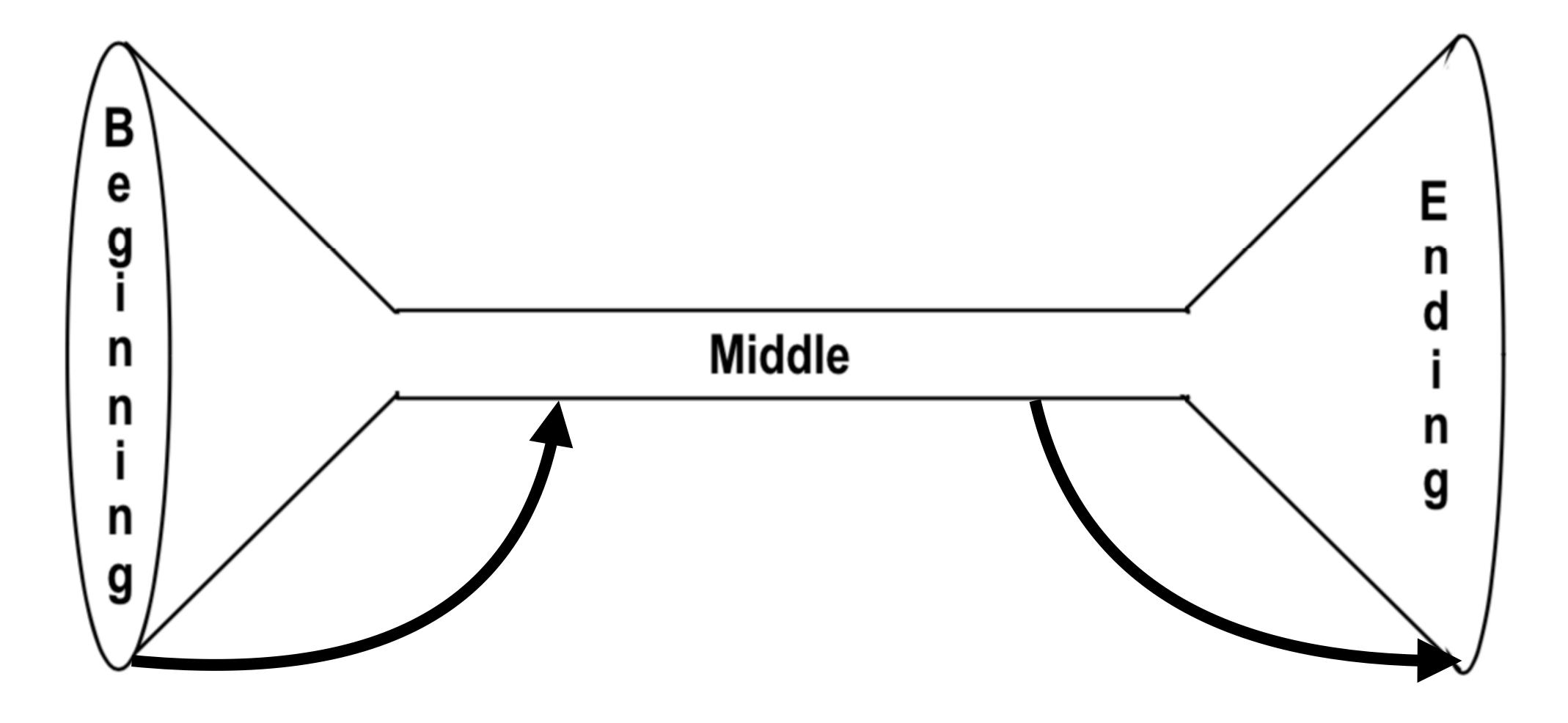
"This is the IMPORTANT INSIGHT of this work:" Important insight "Look how beautiful it is. Nobody knew before."

"This is a minor detail but interesting for the mathematicians:" Detail

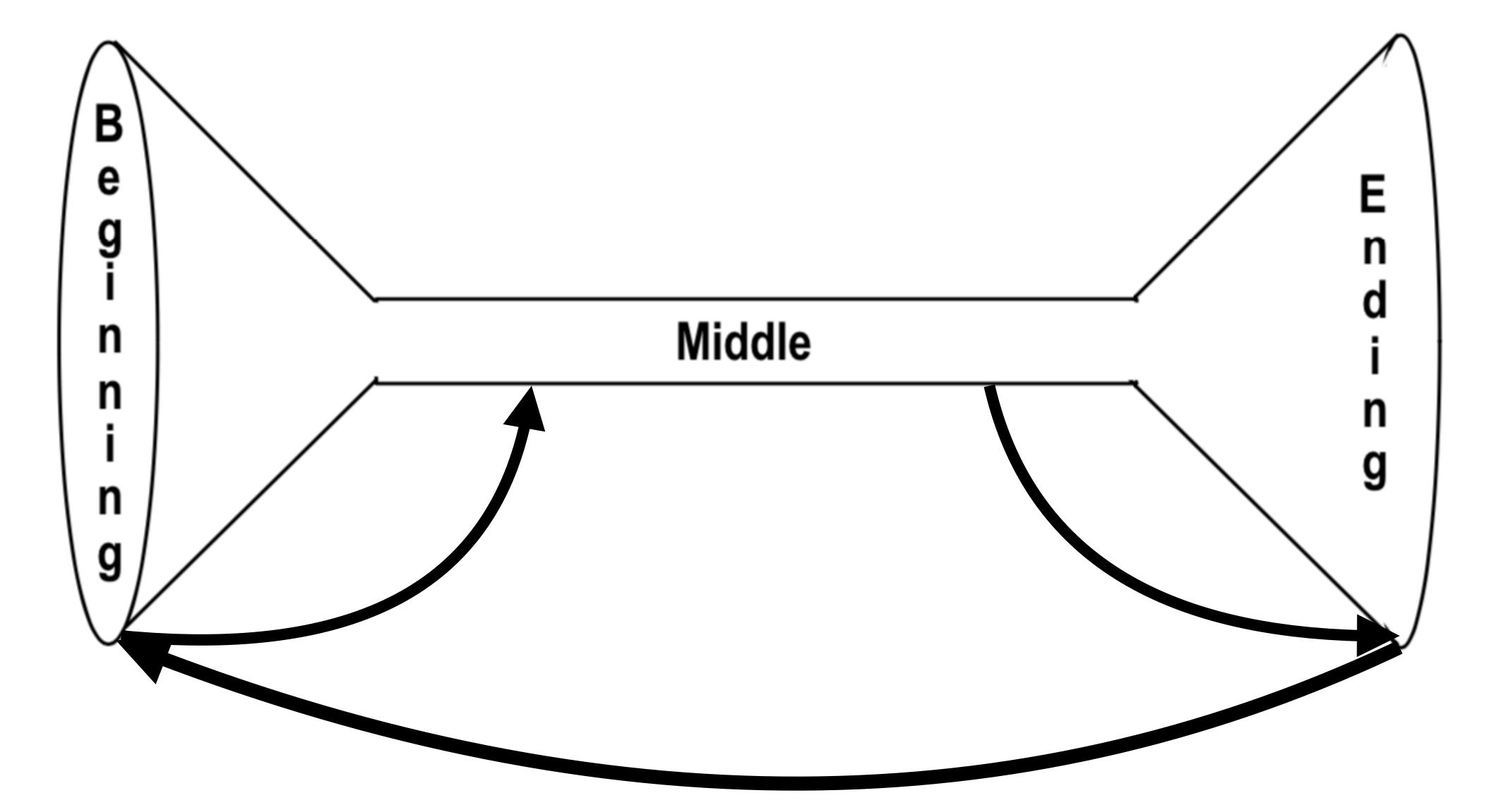
Where do you need transitions?



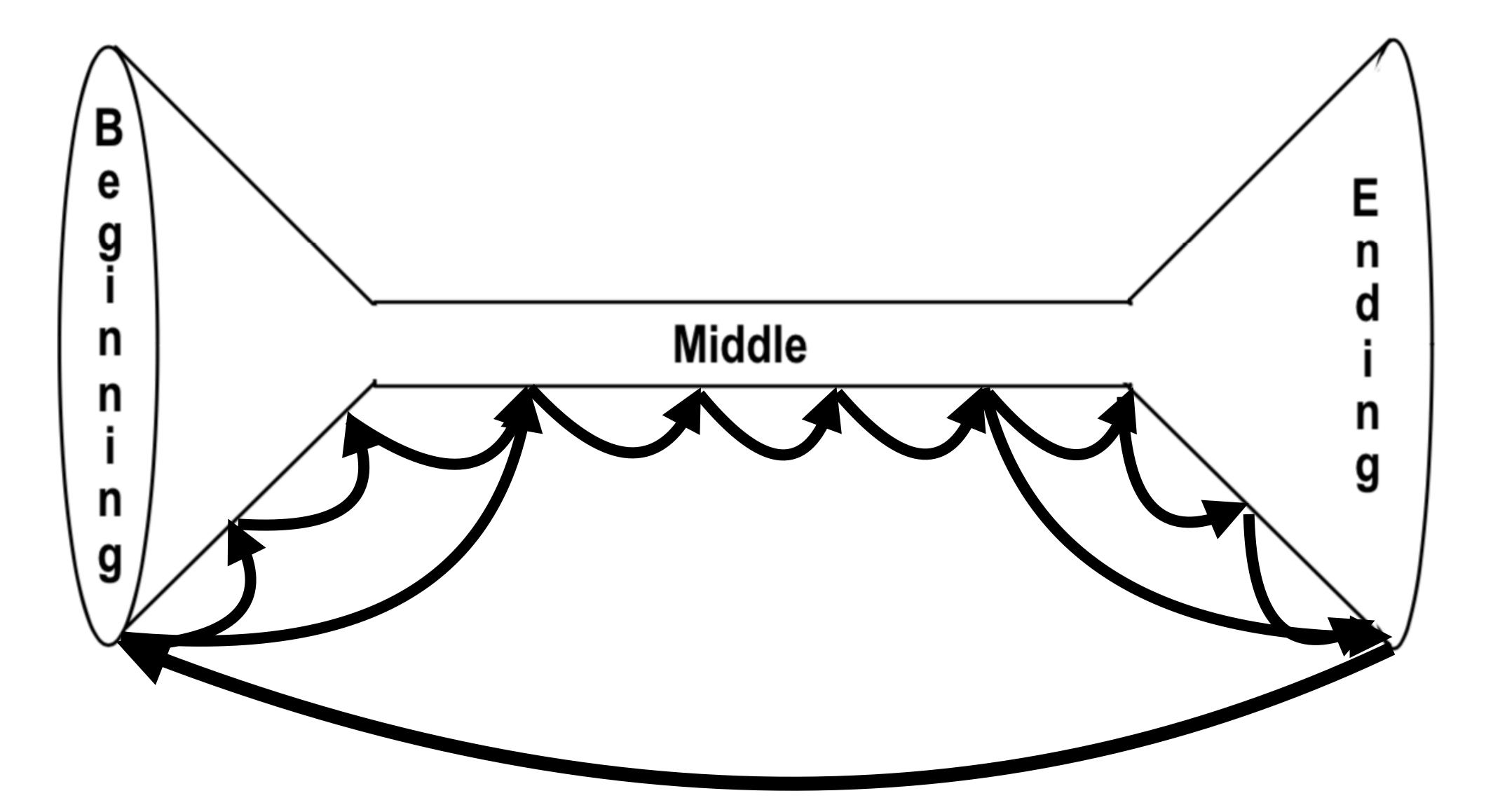
You need transitions between sections



When you end, reconnect to the beginning

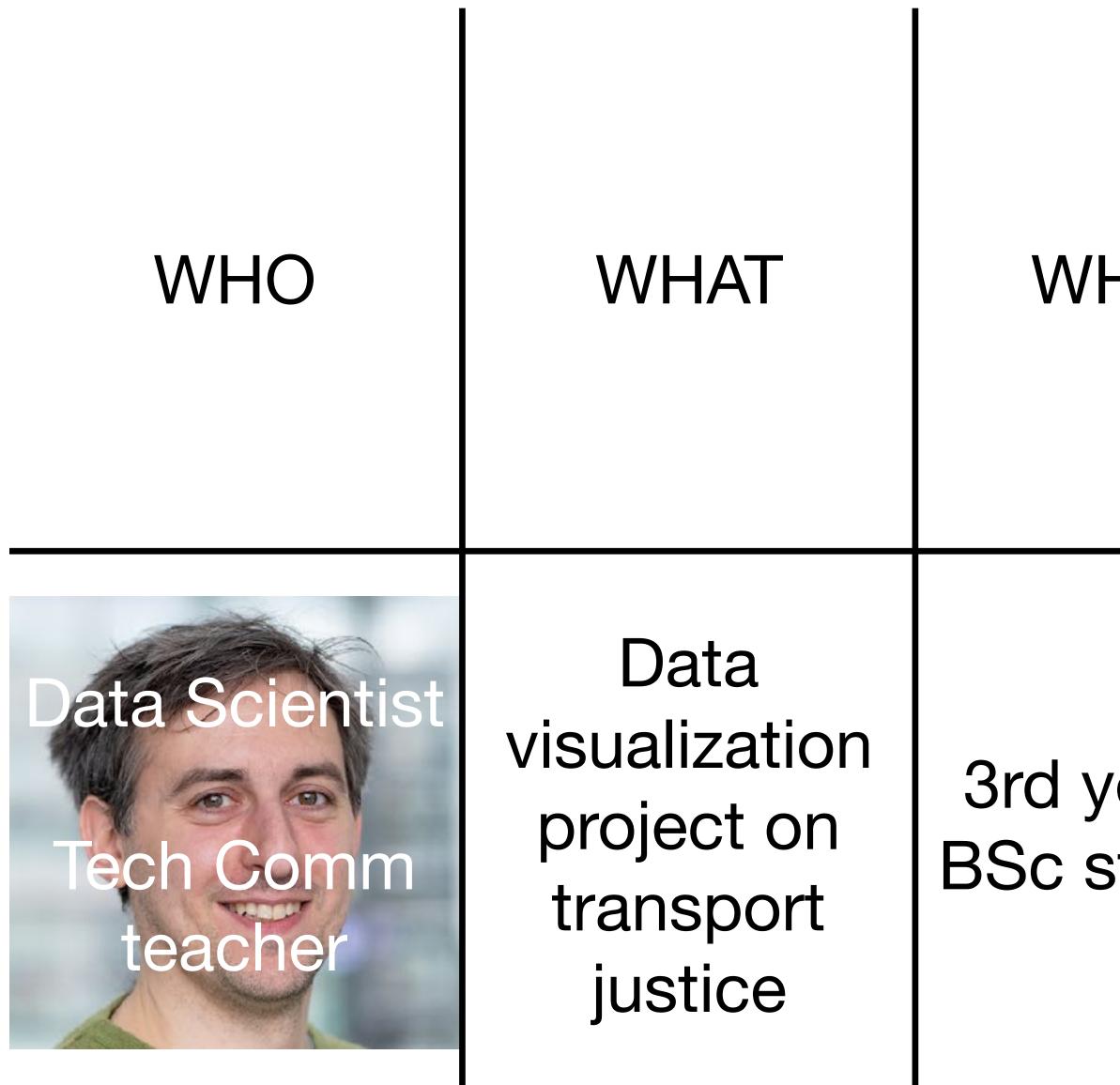


Good speakers make a transition between each slide



Example presentation

To prepare my presentation I analyzed the situation



HOM	WHY	HOW
vear DS students	Teach good presentations Inspire you about the topic	7 min presentation (non-technical



Revealing wasted urban space through data visualization

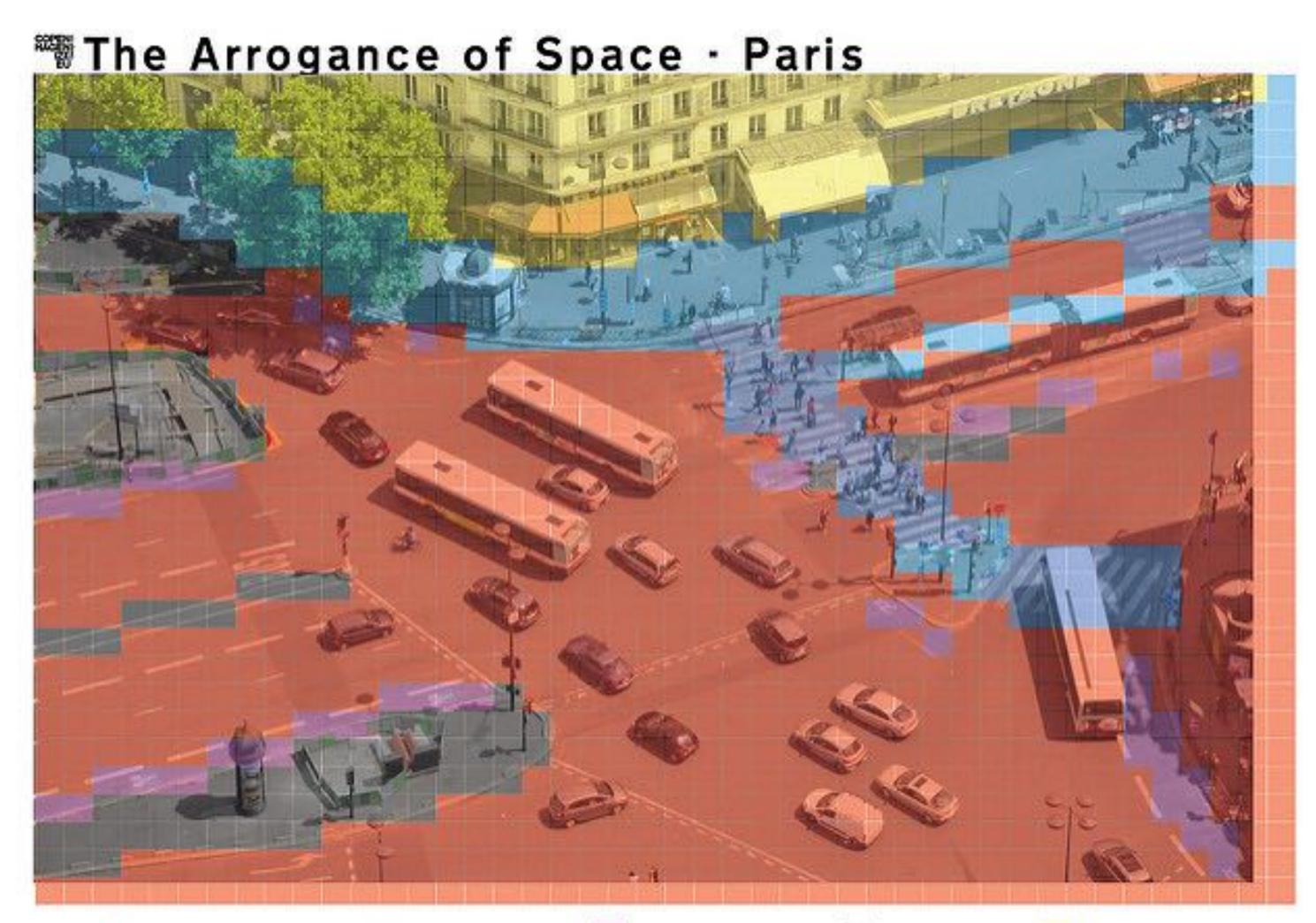
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Space is not distributed in a fair way between different modes of transport



Space for cars and used space

Space for peds Peds crossing

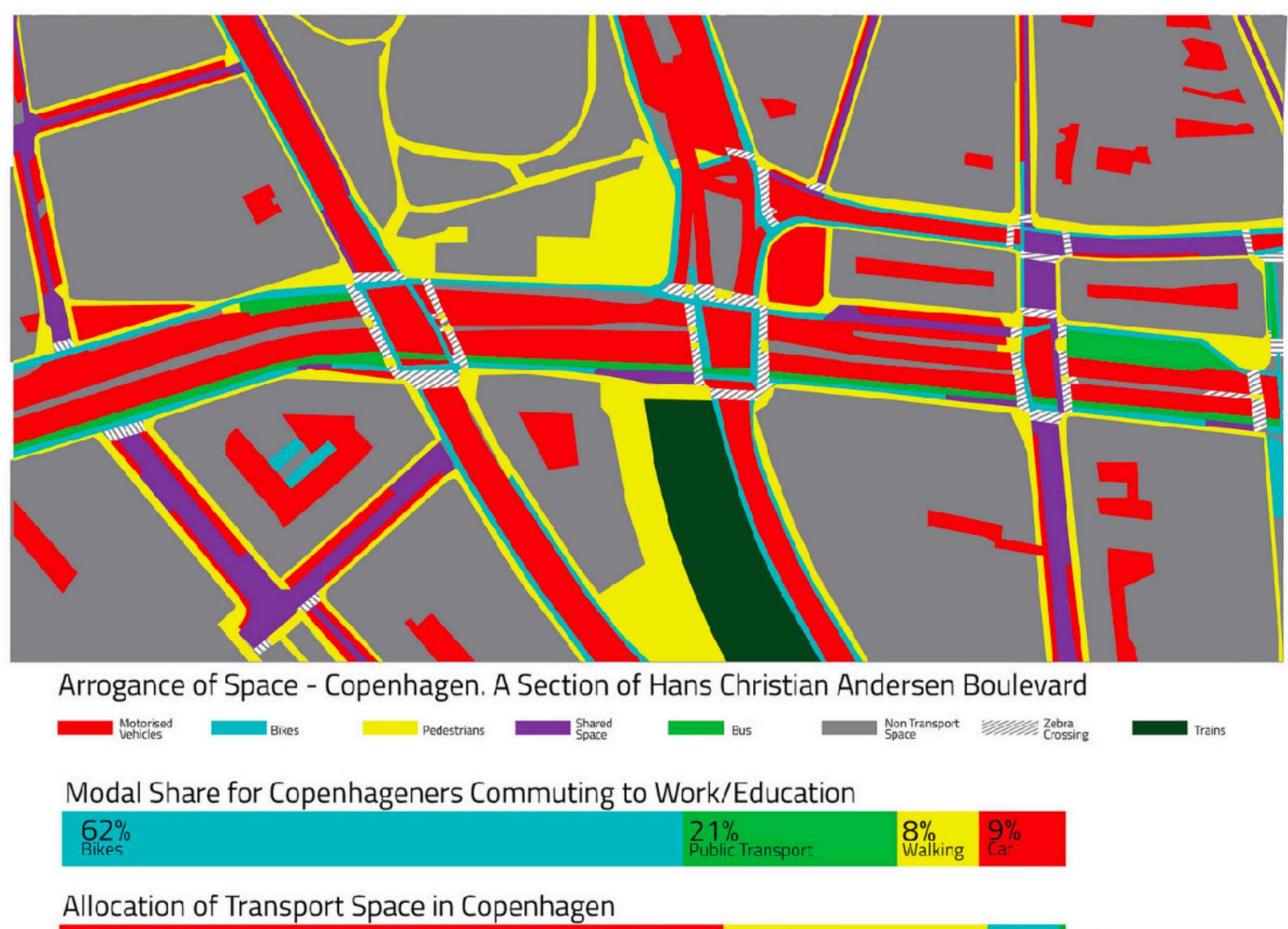
Space for bikes and used space

Buildings "Dead" space





Most space is for cars, but most people use bikes



54% Carlanes



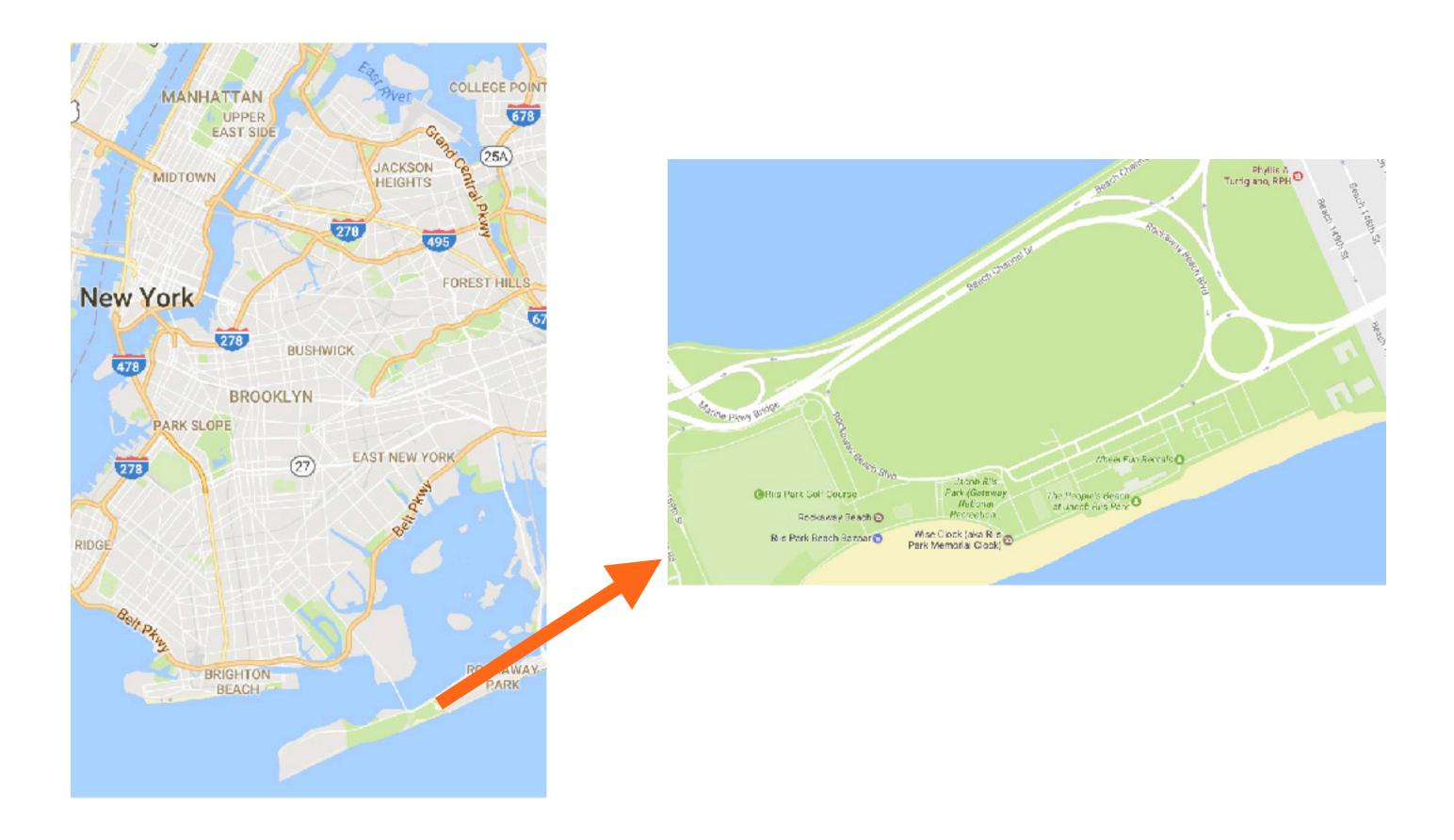


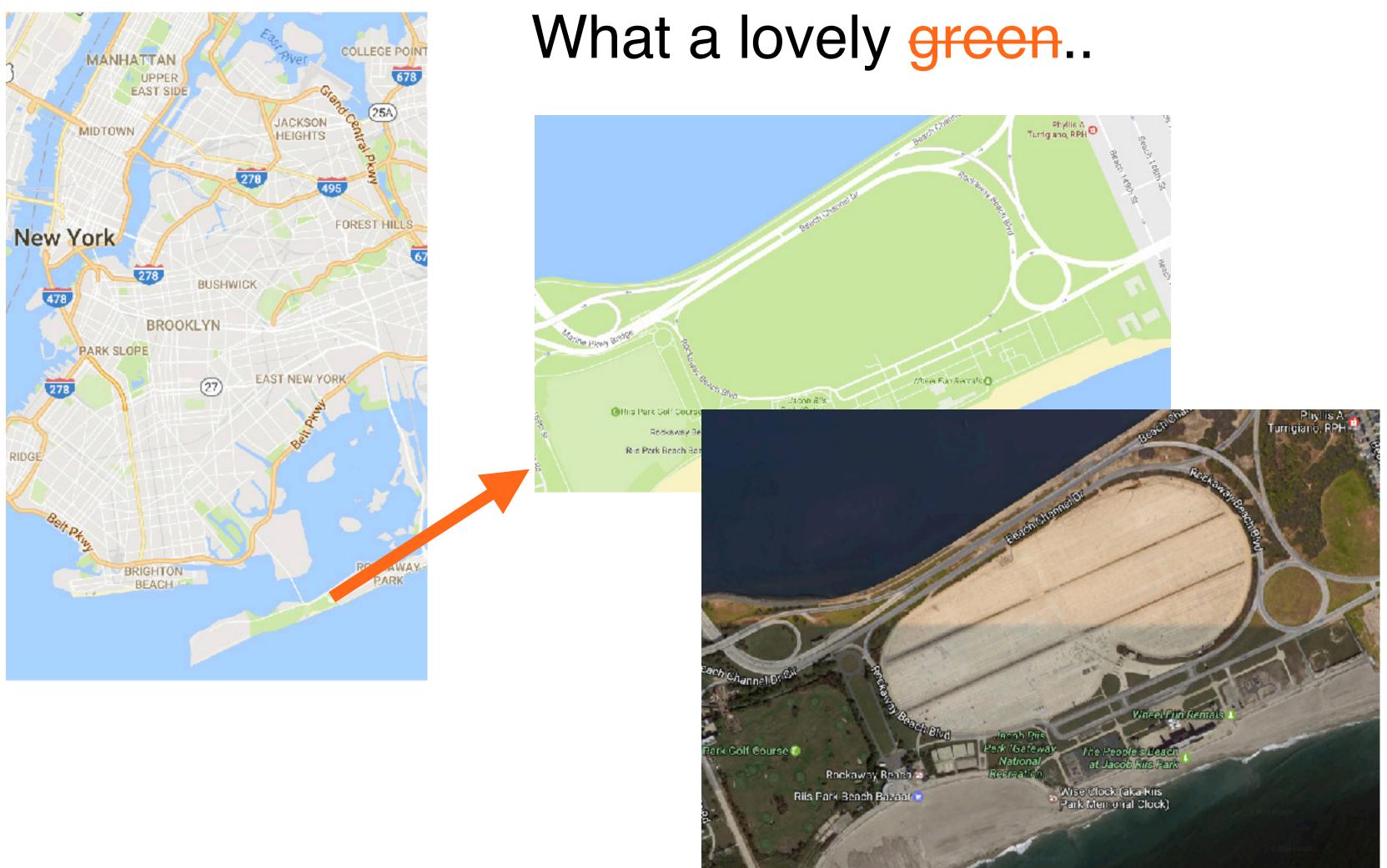


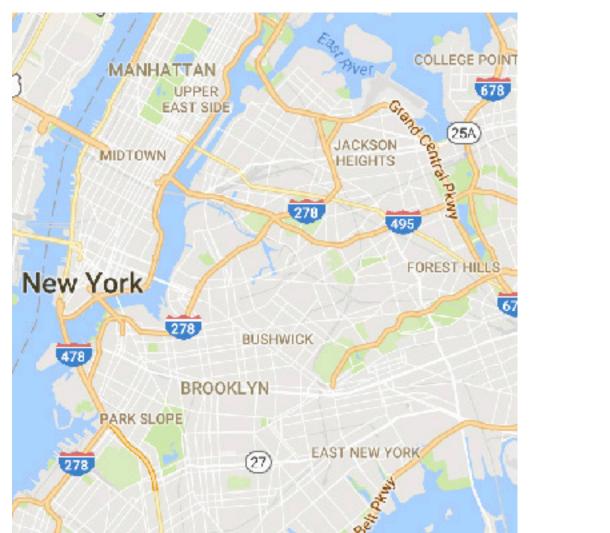
Copenhagenize



Can we use data science and visualization to learn more?

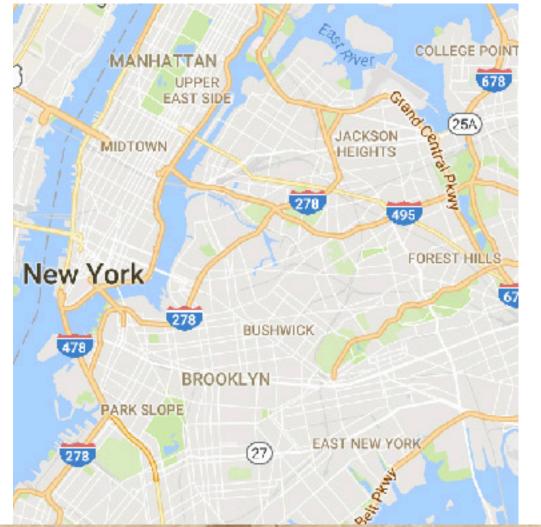


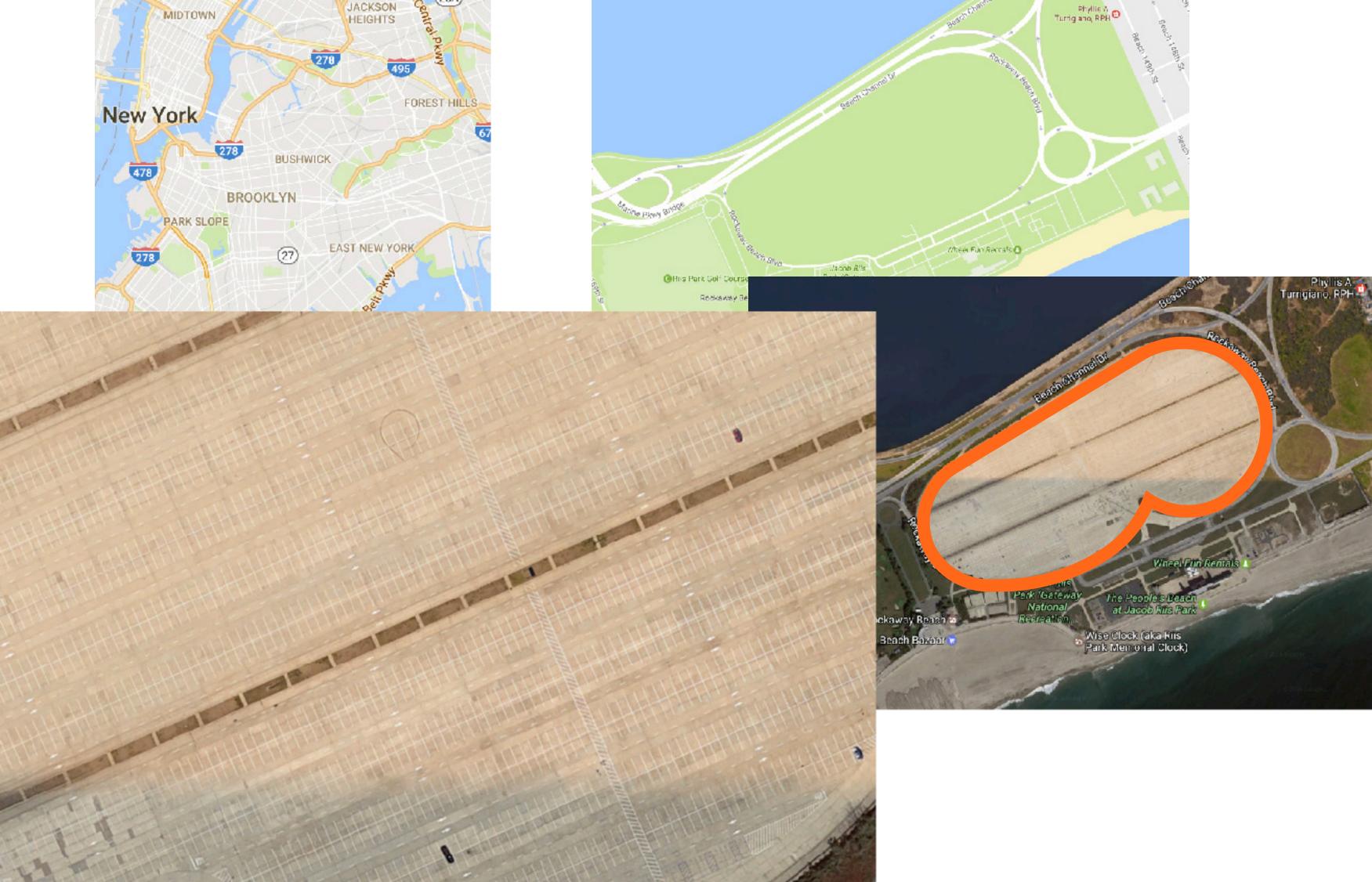






What a lovely green.. MONSTER

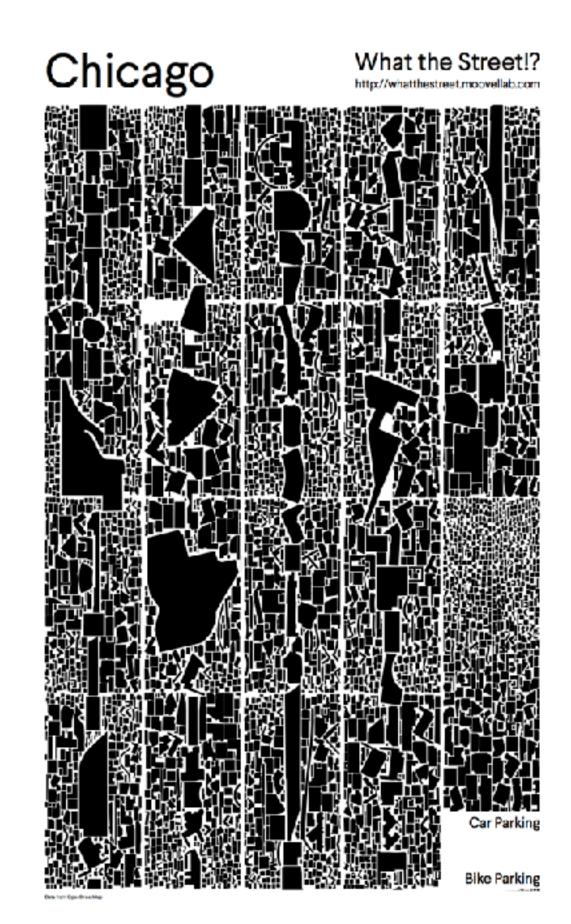


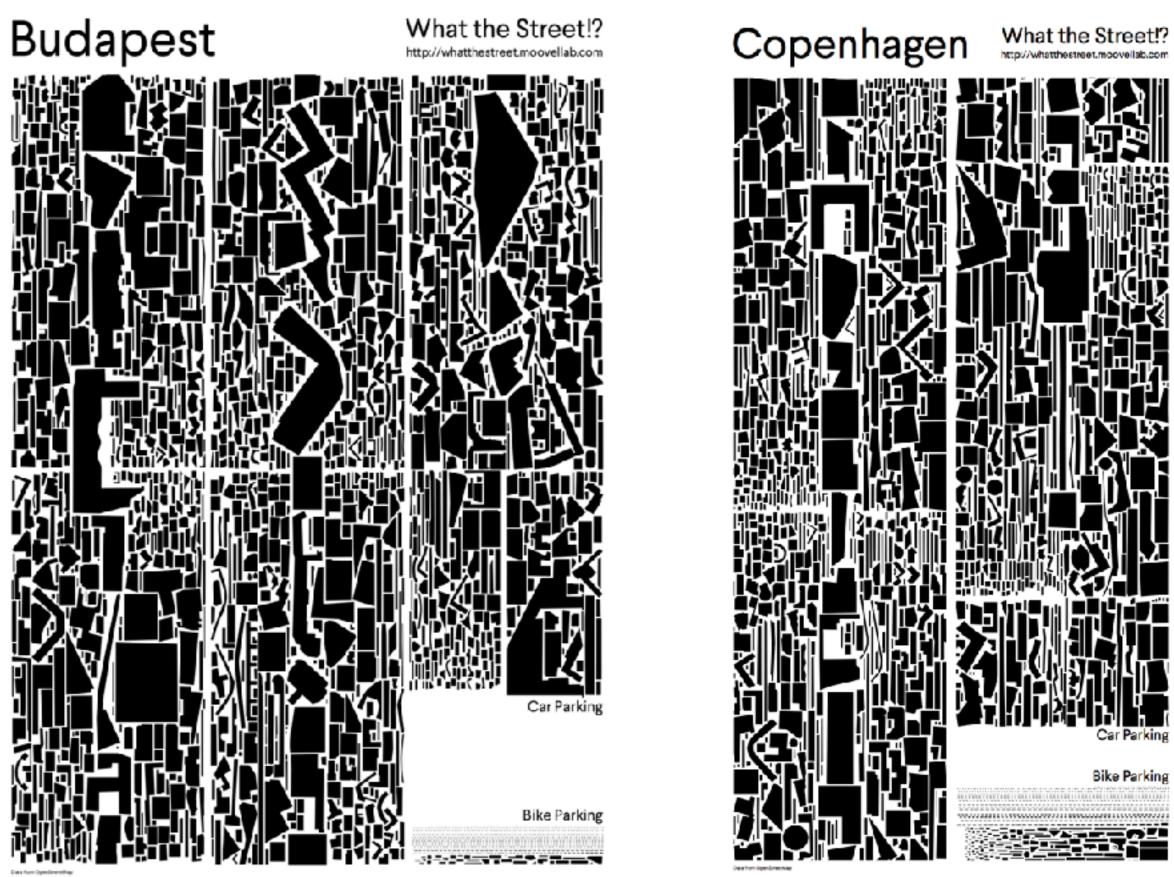


We visualized ALL parking spaces with polygon packing

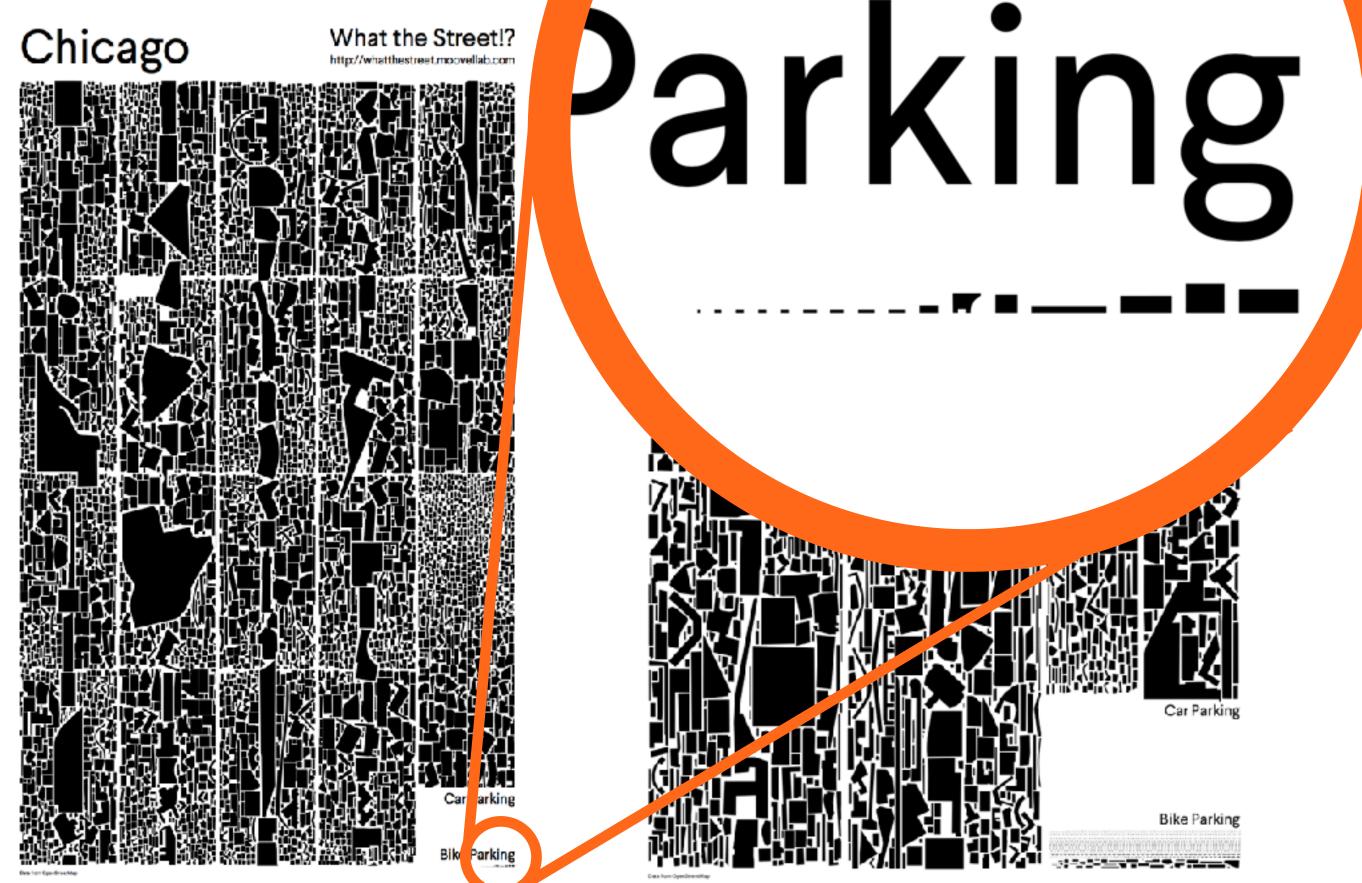


There are huge differences between car and bike parking





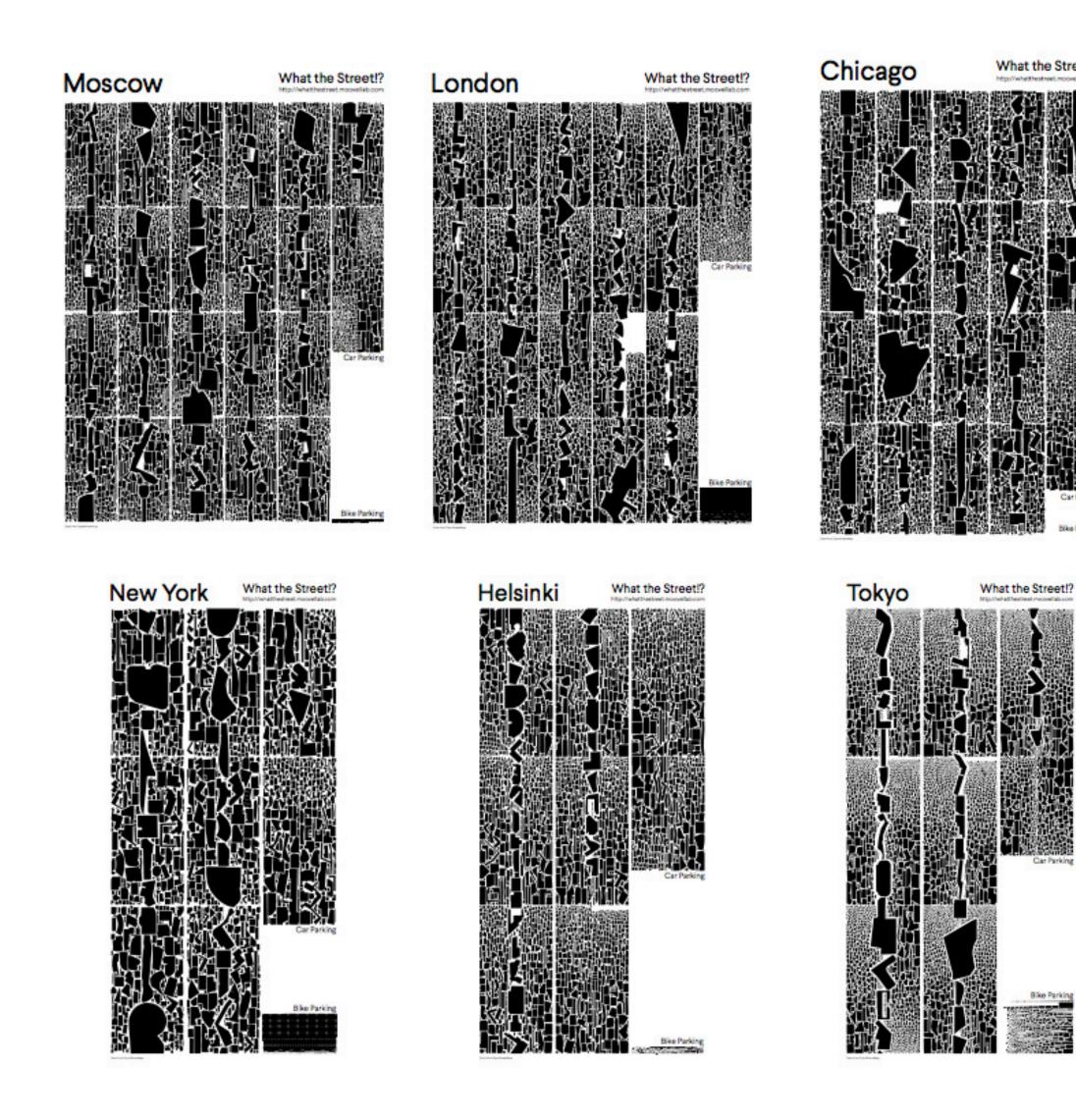
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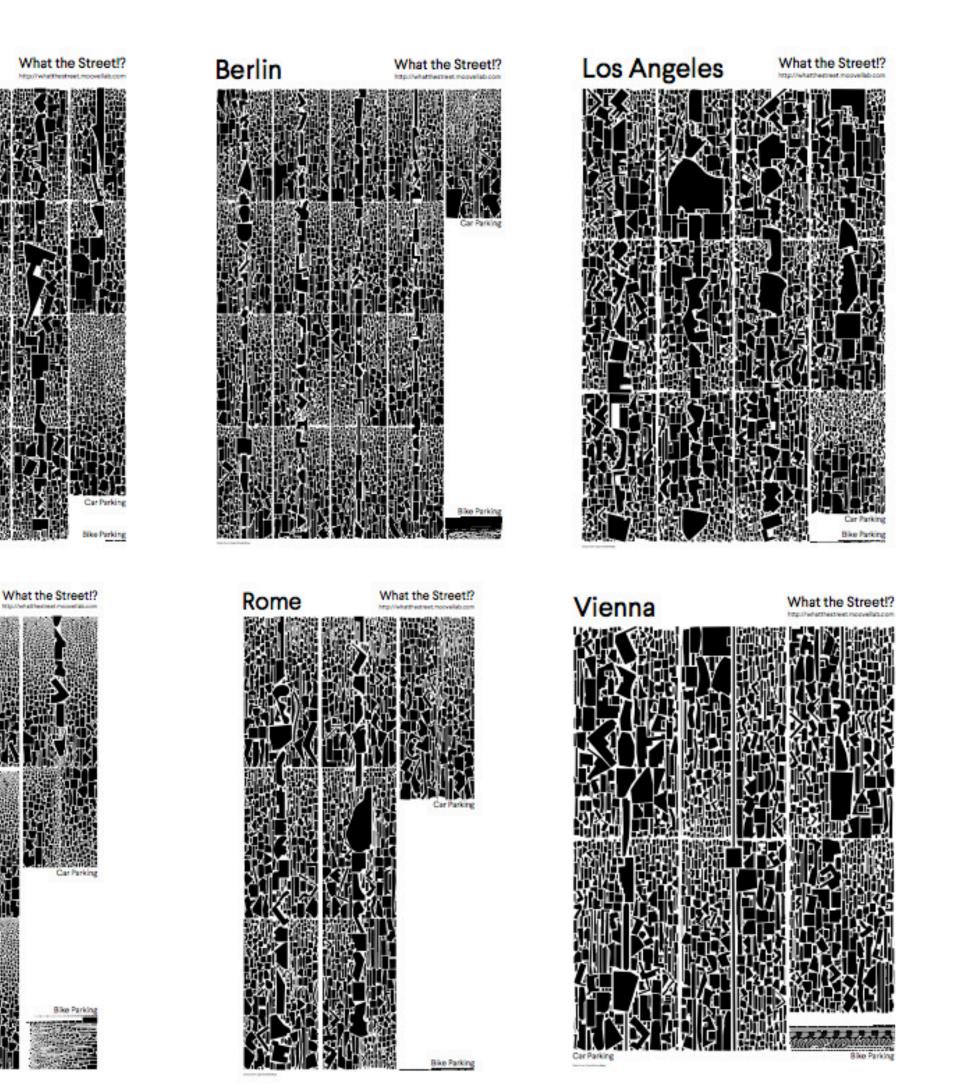


d bike parking



Our project What the Street!? covers 23 world cities





Open-sourced at https://github.com/moovel/lab-what-the-street

Why is there so much car parking?

Is it necessary?

Cars are used 36 minutes per day Cars are not used 1404 minutes per day





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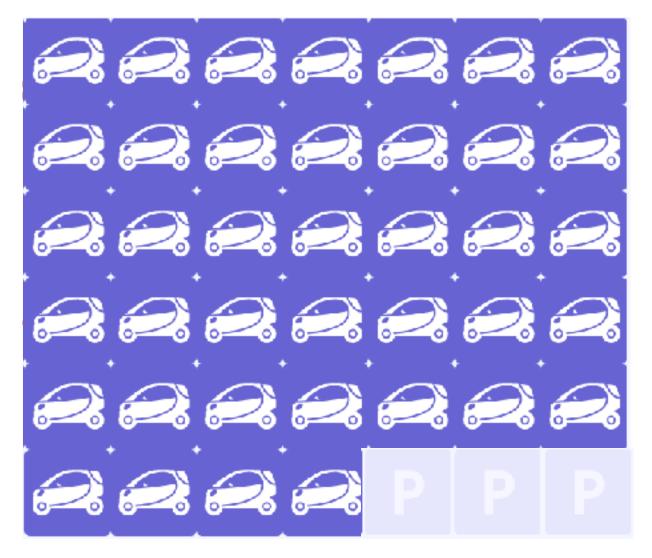
A typical snapshot of Copenhagen

5,500 cars moving





250,000 cars parked



We are wasting space worth 6,000 playgrounds!

A typical snapshot of Copenhagen

5,500 cars moving

2.5 × CHRISTIANIA 6,000 = Playgrounds

250,000 cars parked



whatthestreet.moovellab.com

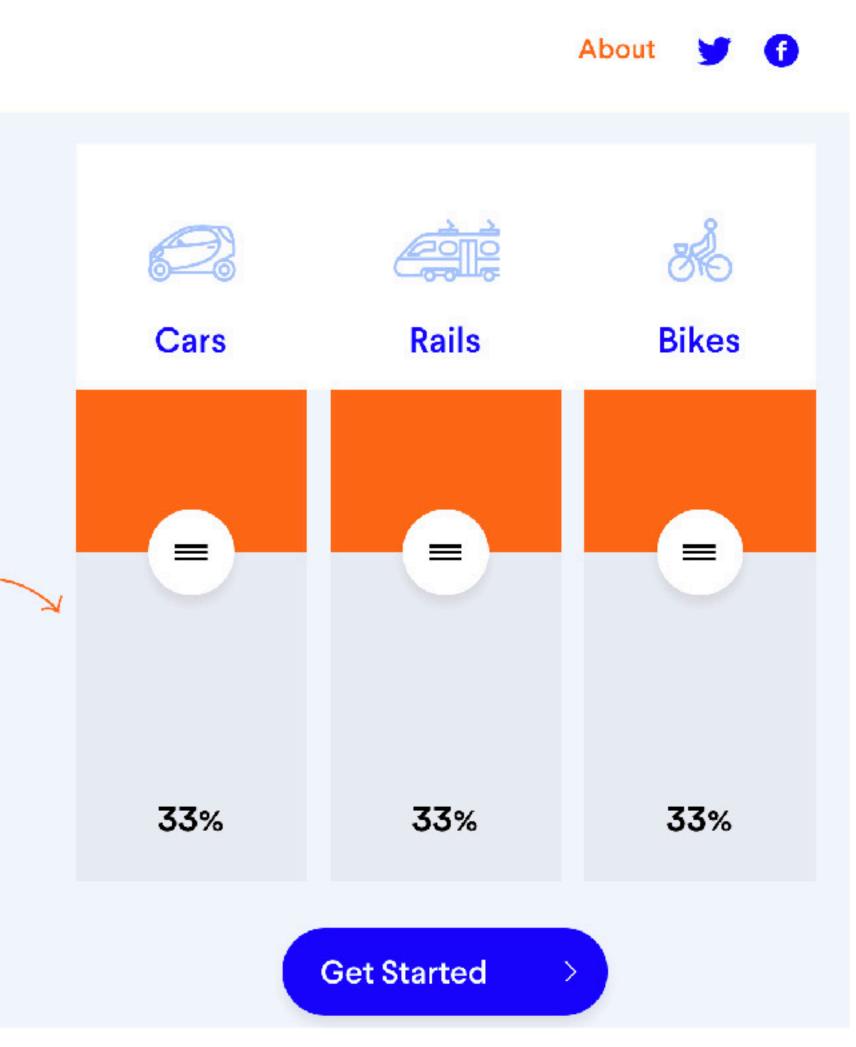
The Mobility Space Report: What the Street!?

Who owns

Copenhagen ?

City space is limited! What do you think, how much space is allocated to the different ways of moving through the city?







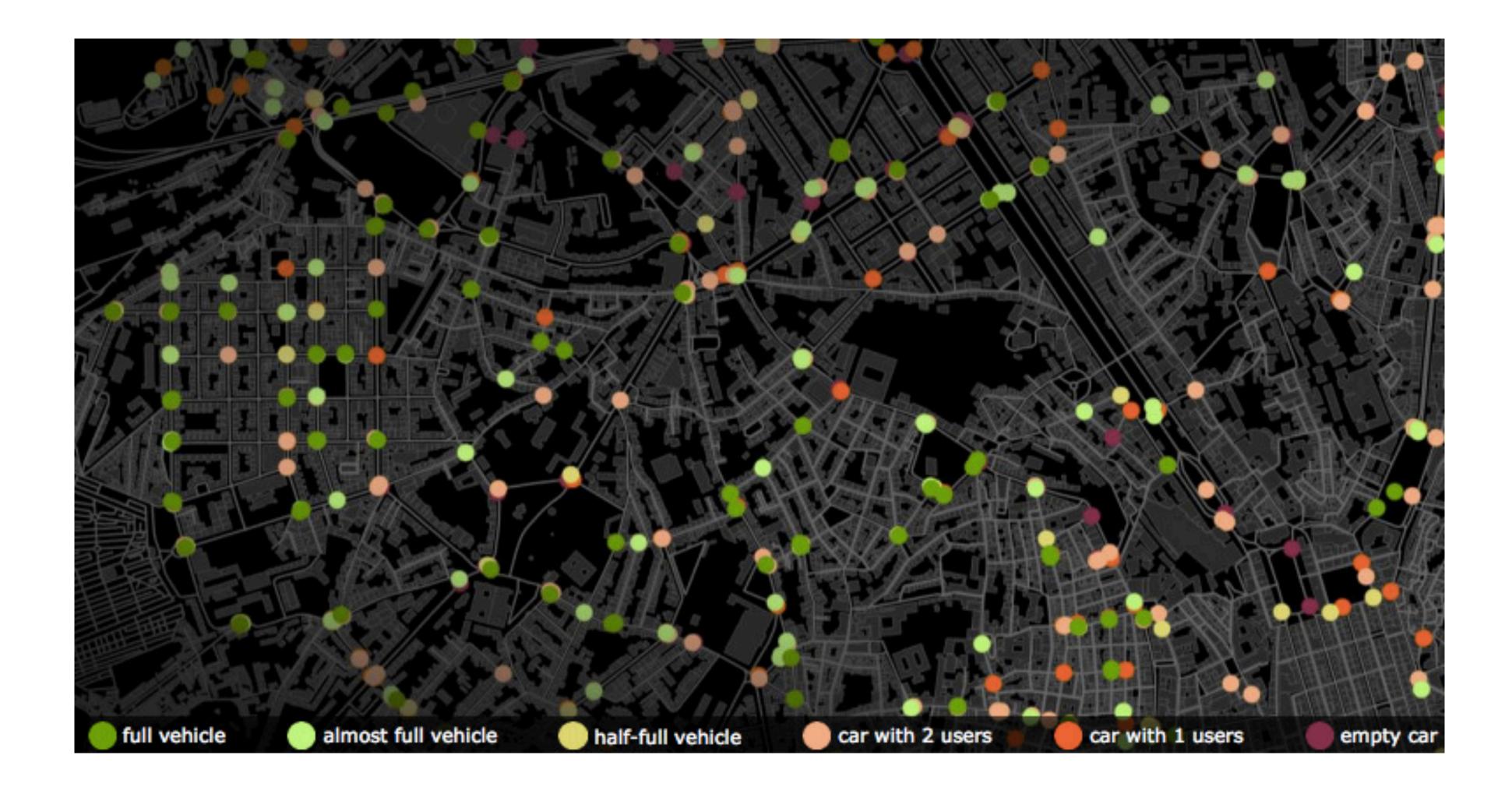




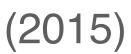
How can we get back all the space?



10% of self-driving cars can deliver same mobility

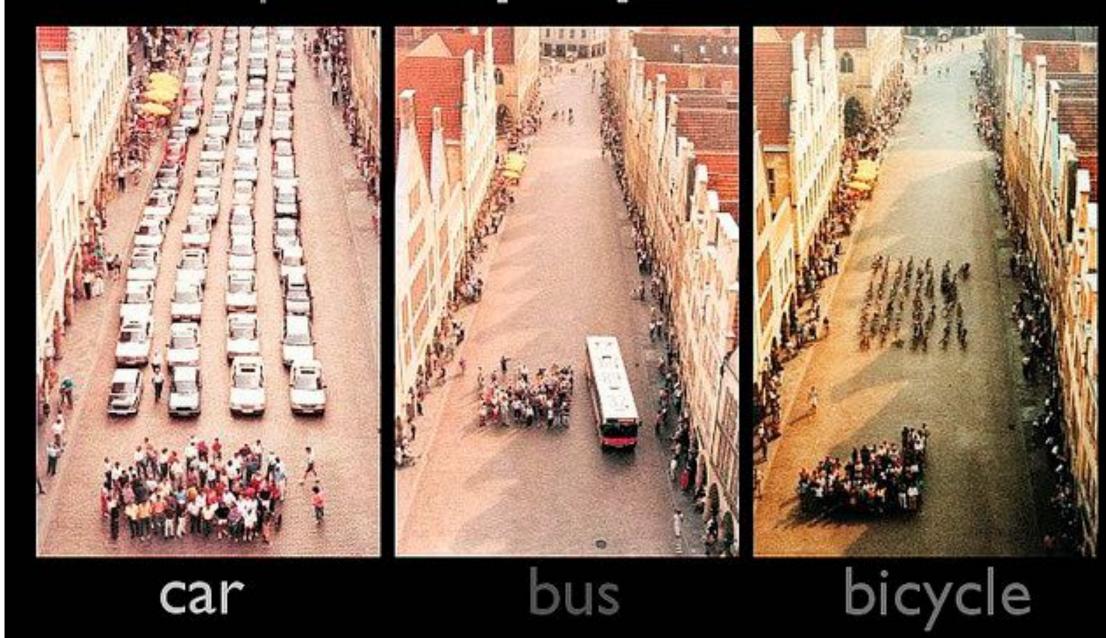


OECD, International Transport Forum (2015)

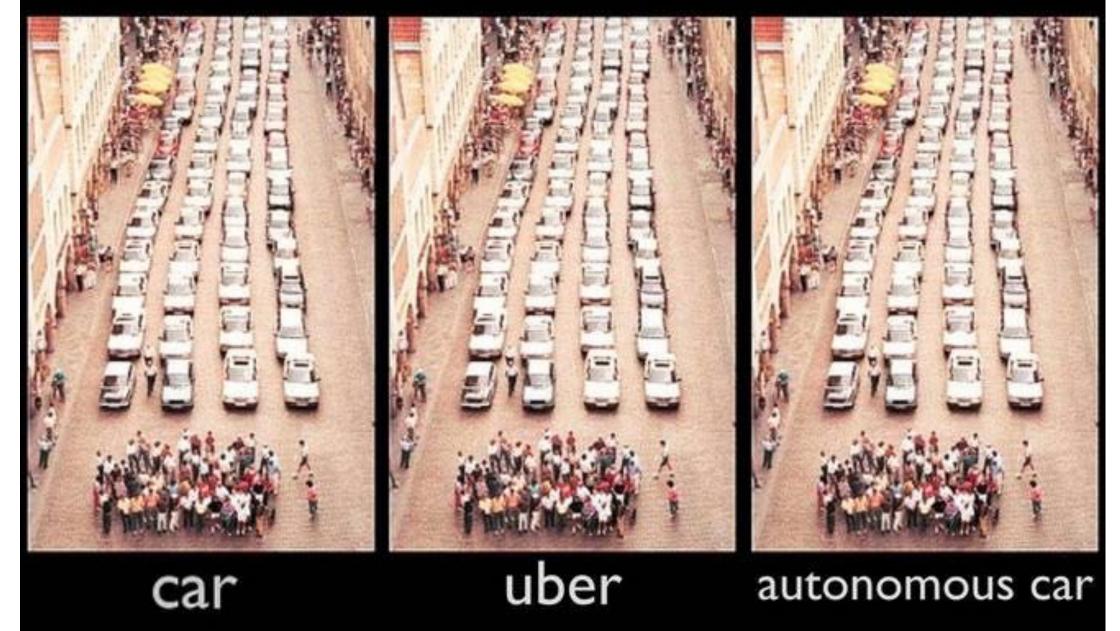


Self-driving, shared cars sound nice but are NOT the ultimate solution

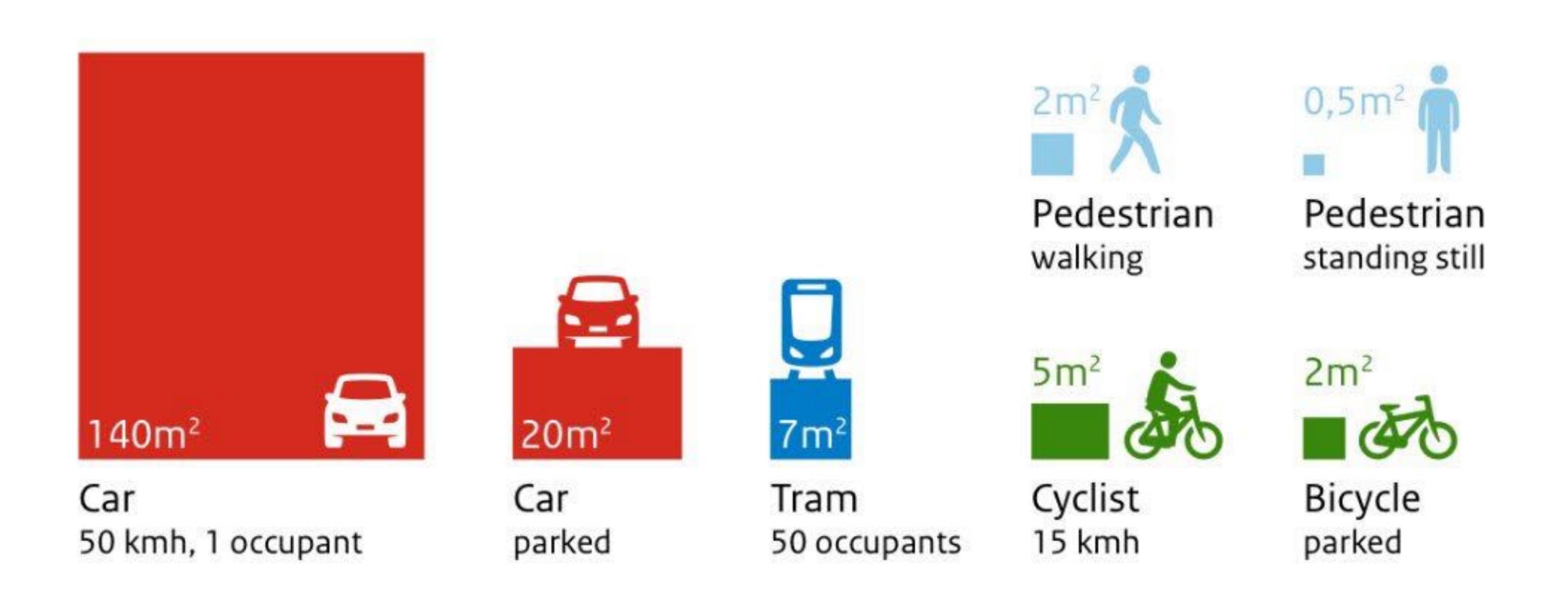
space required to transport **60** people



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You can't beat math: Simple geometry tells us cars will ALWAYS be inefficient

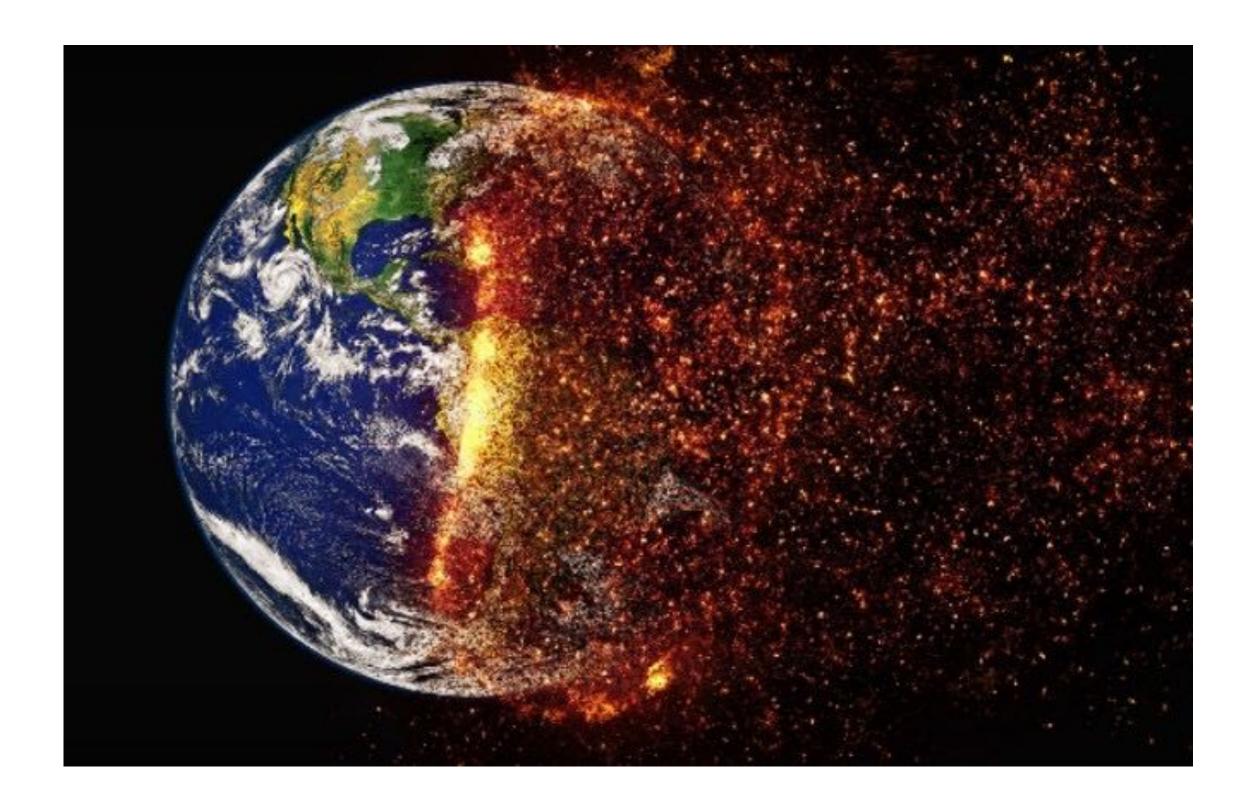


Harms and Kansen, Netherlands Institute for Transport Policy Analysis (2017) Szell, Urban Planning 3, 1-20 (2018)

Pioneering cities have started to remove parking. Let us push for more to save our cities and the planet!







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EXERCISE: Analyze the talk's structure

Form groups of 4.

10 min: Analyze in group

1) Content, passion, audience 2) Hourglass, sections and transitions 3) Scope and depth 4) Purpose fulfilled?

5 min: Discuss with whole class

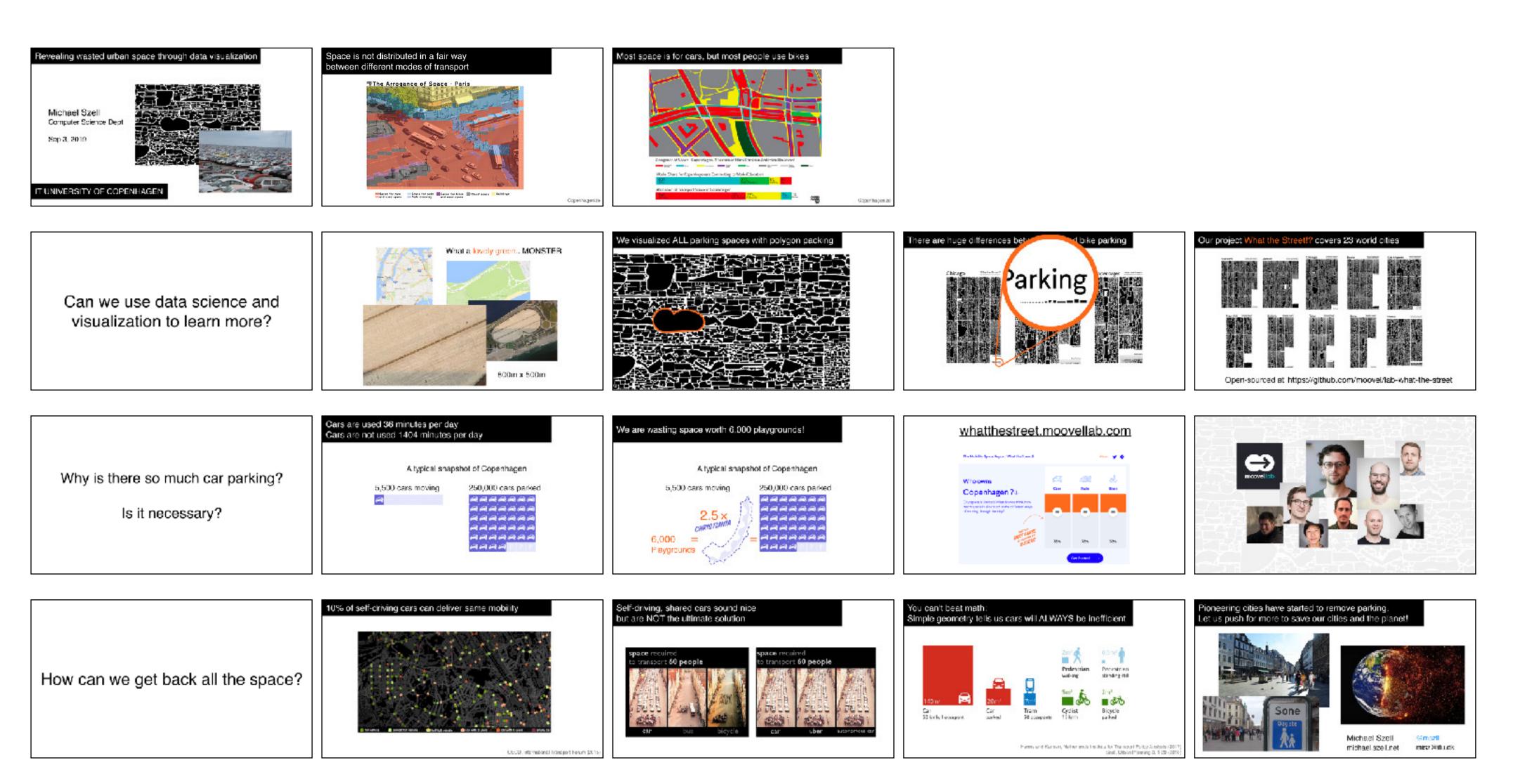


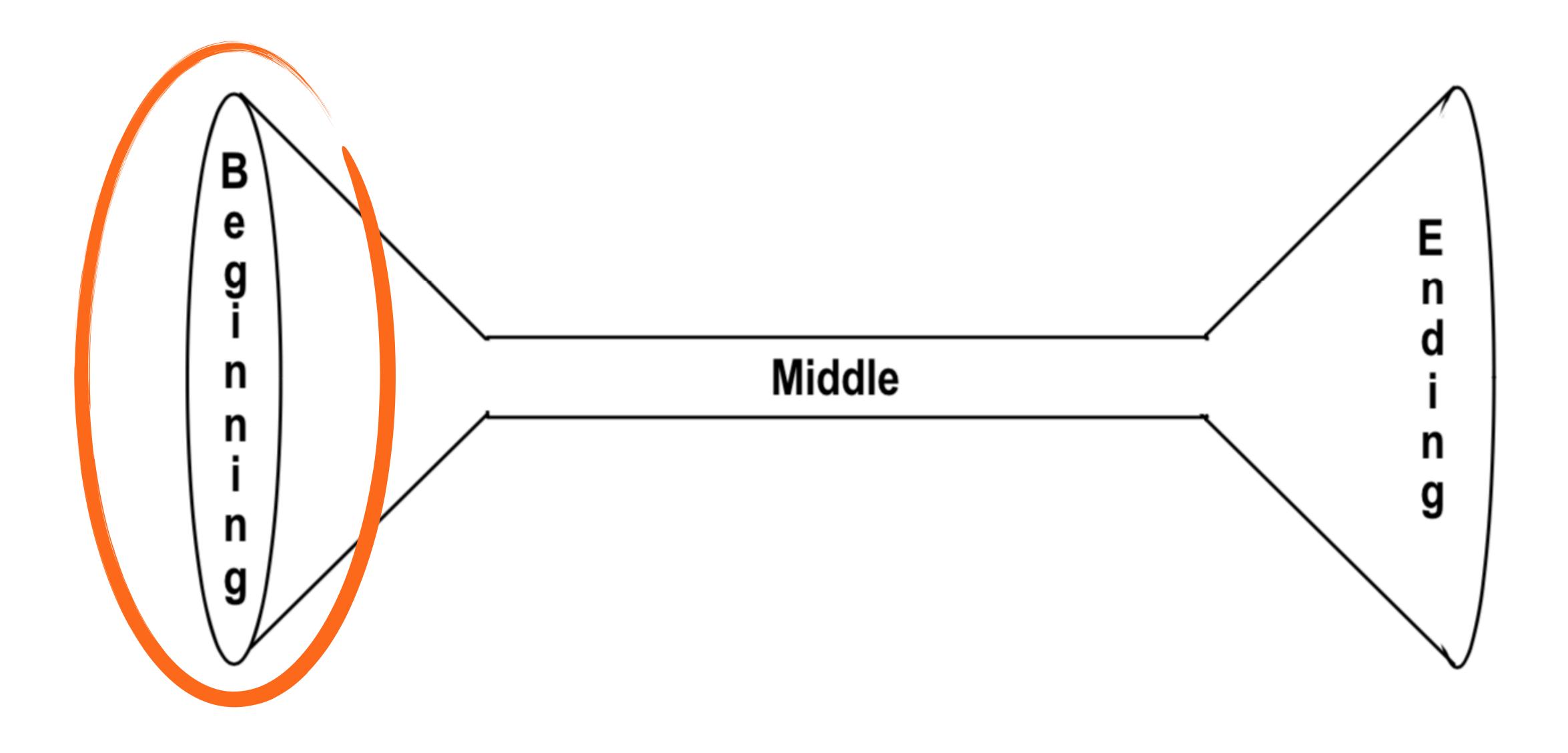
10 min break

Slide design

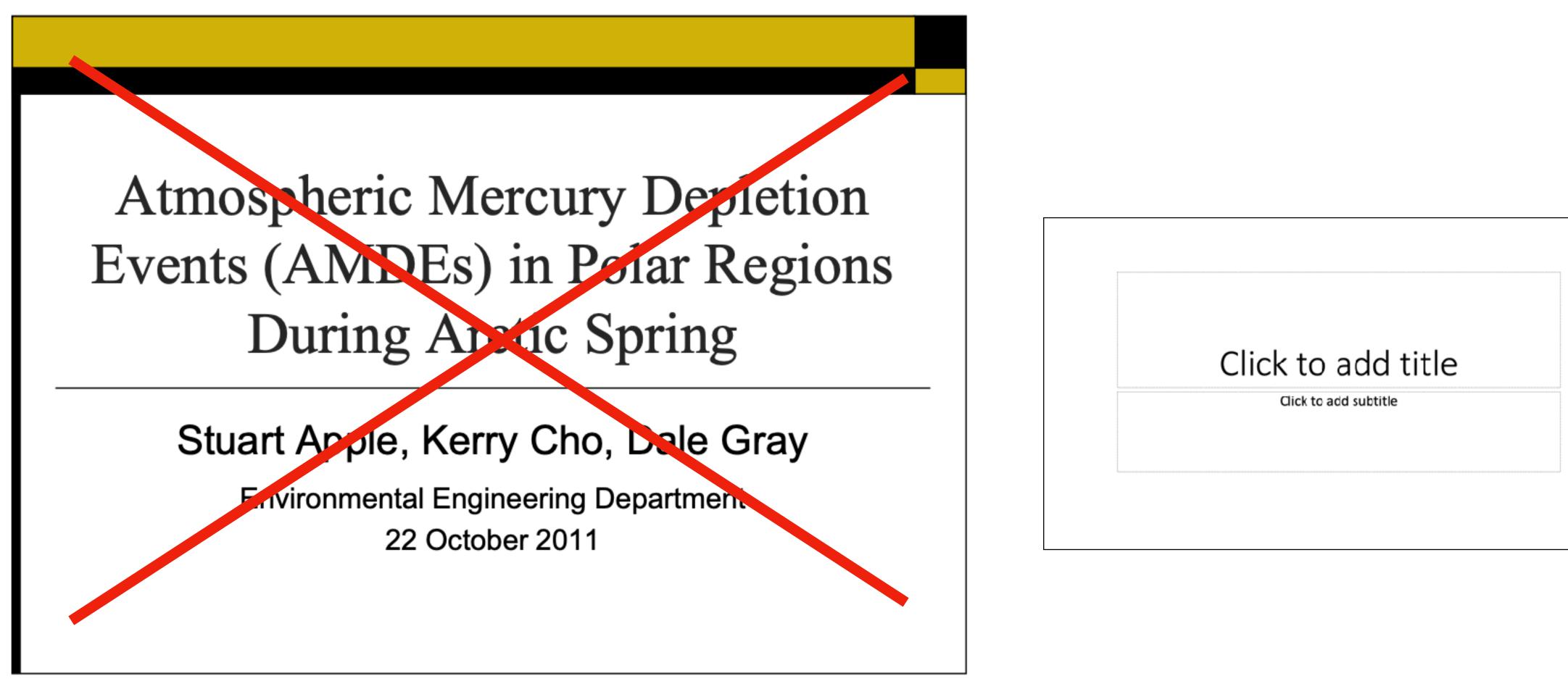
DISCUSSION: Analyze the talk's slides

How are the slides different than in a "typical" research talk?





The beginning should answer what the presentation is about without leaving the audience behind





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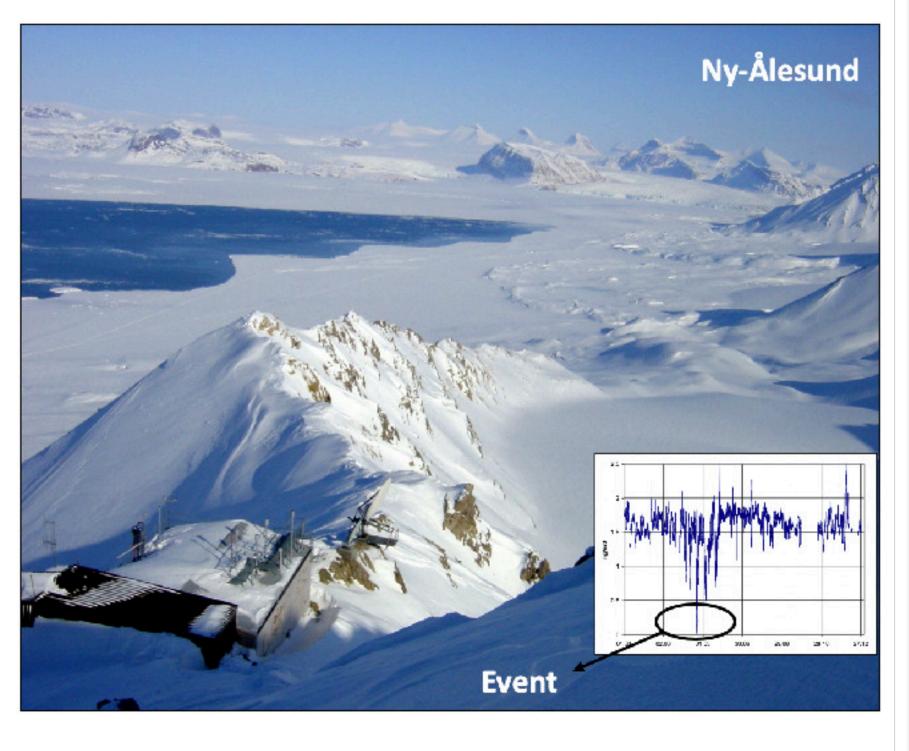
Determining Whether Atmospheric Mercury Goes into Surface Snow after a Depletion Event

Katrine Aspmo Torunn Berg **Norwegian Institute for** Air Research

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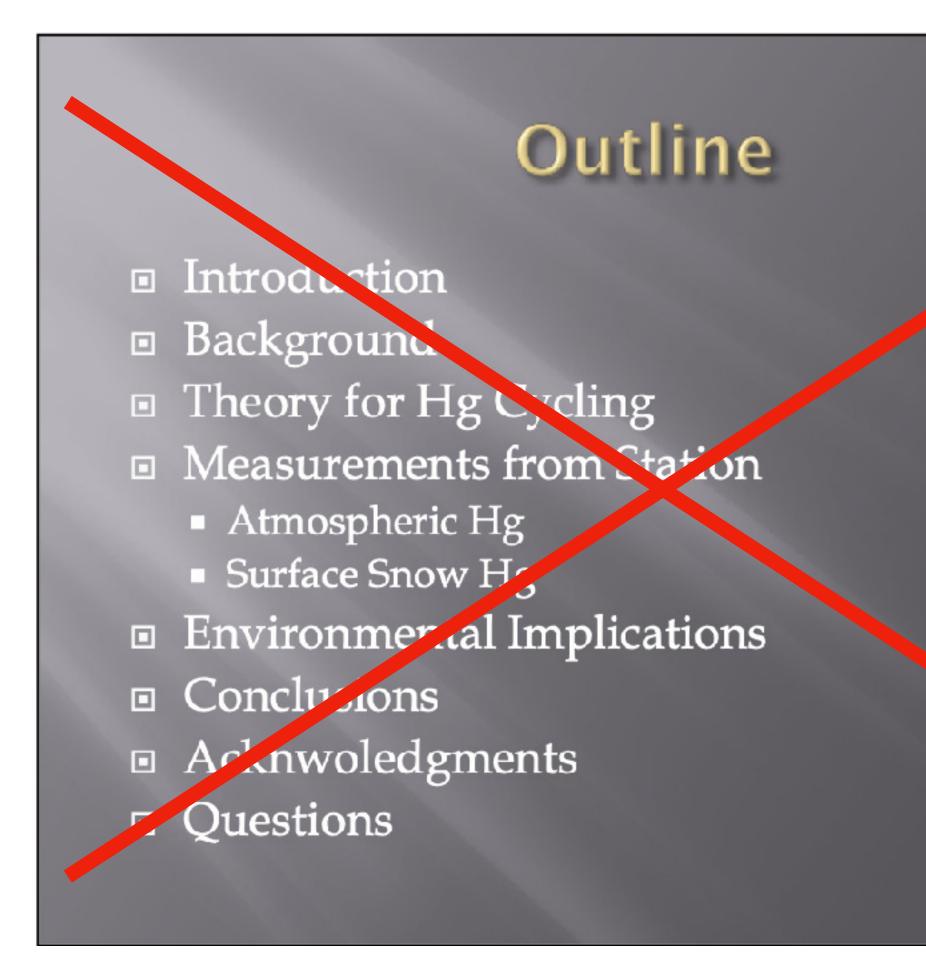








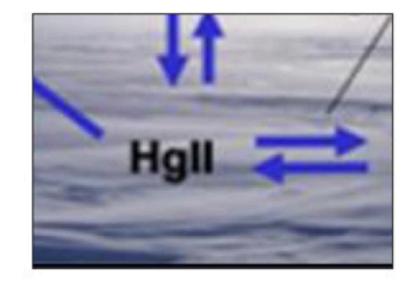
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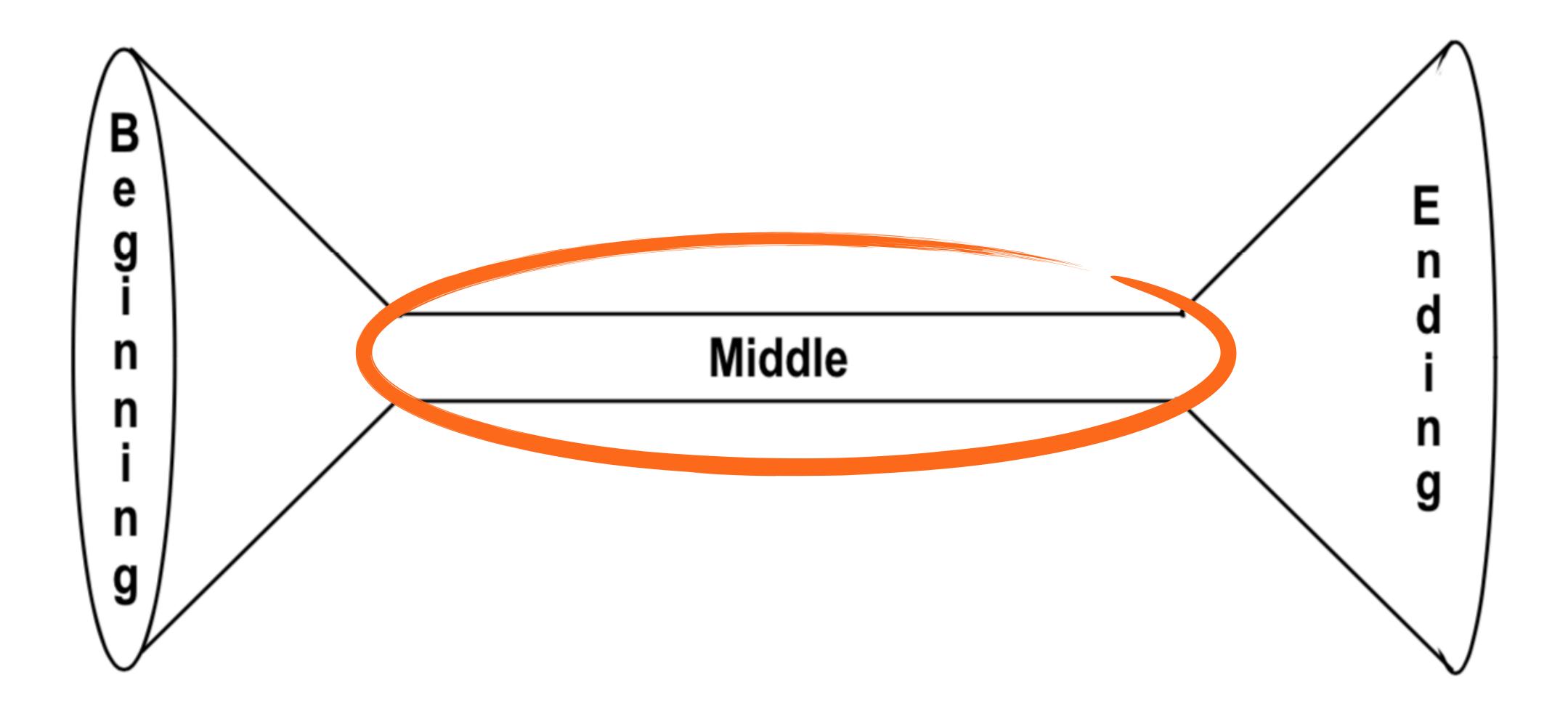




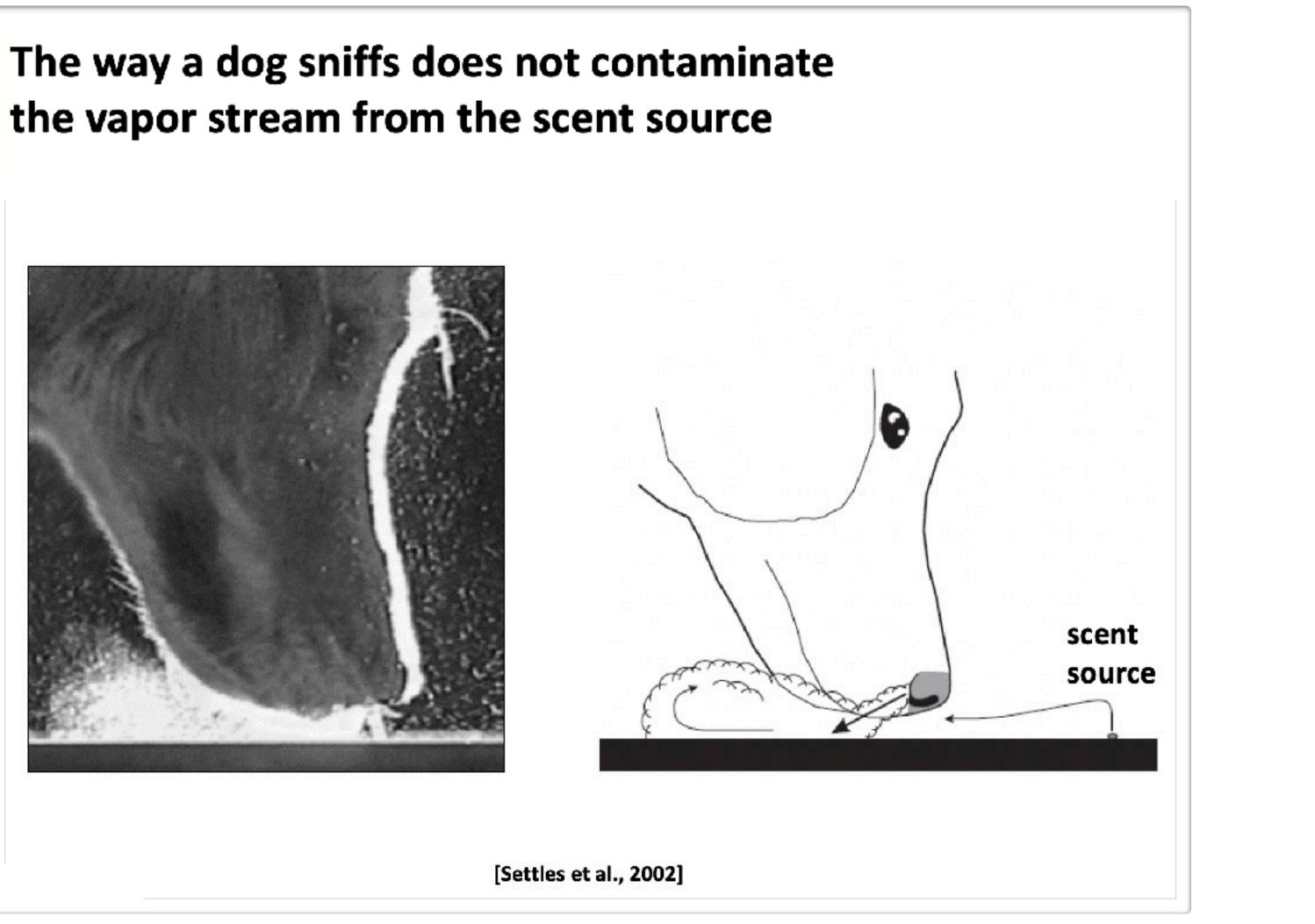
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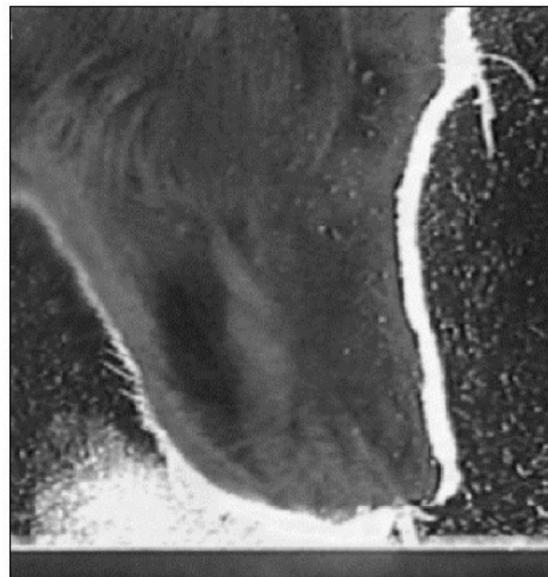
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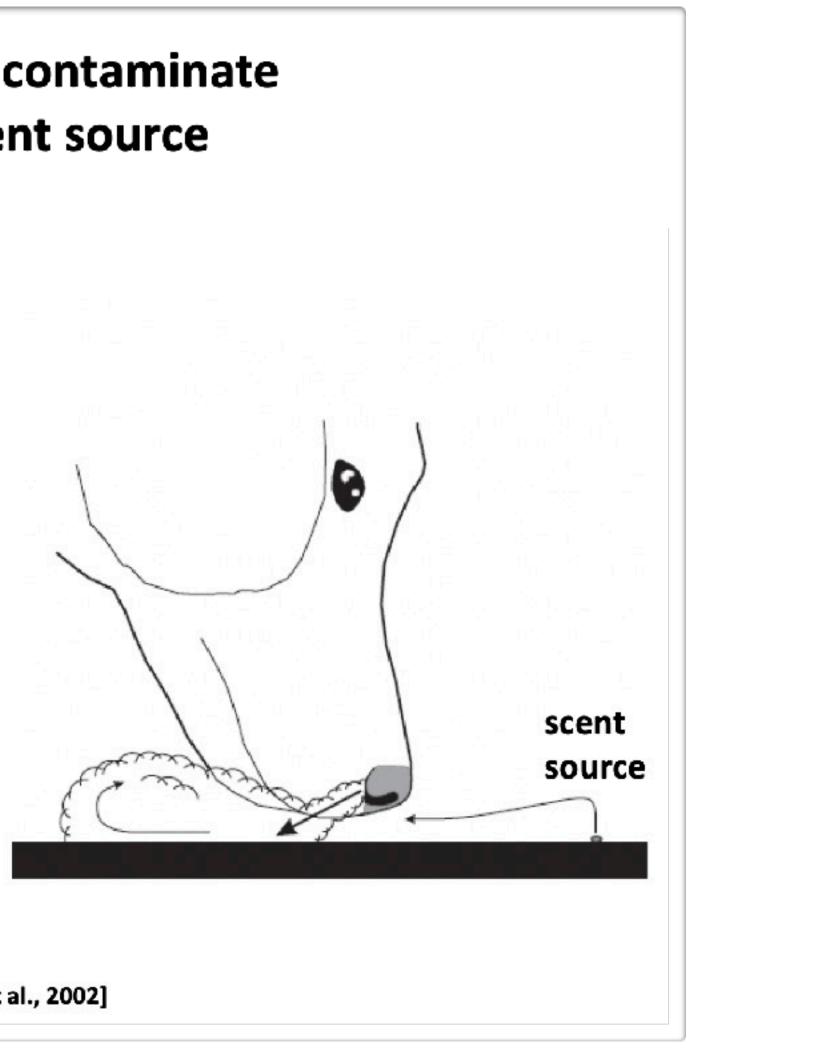




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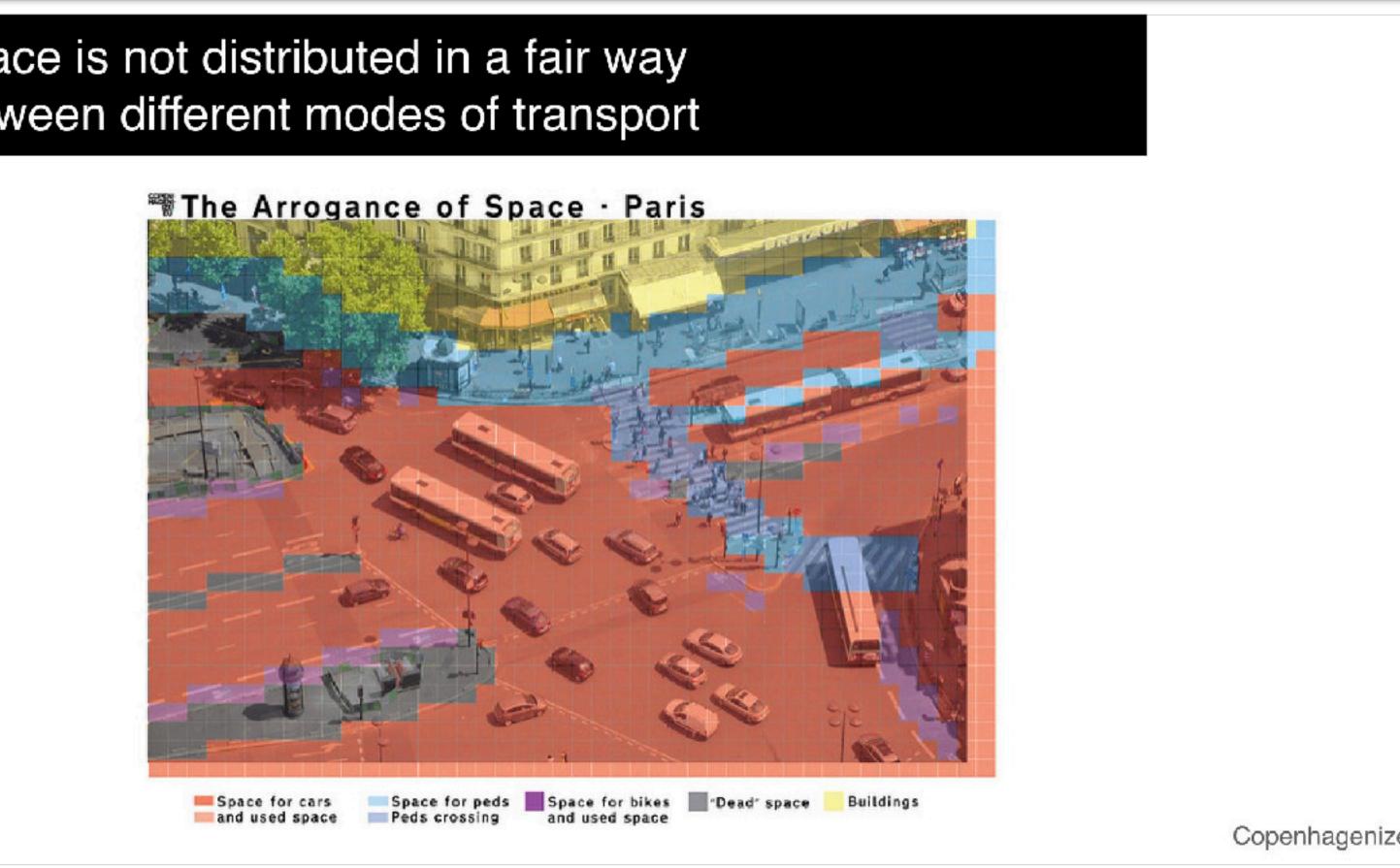


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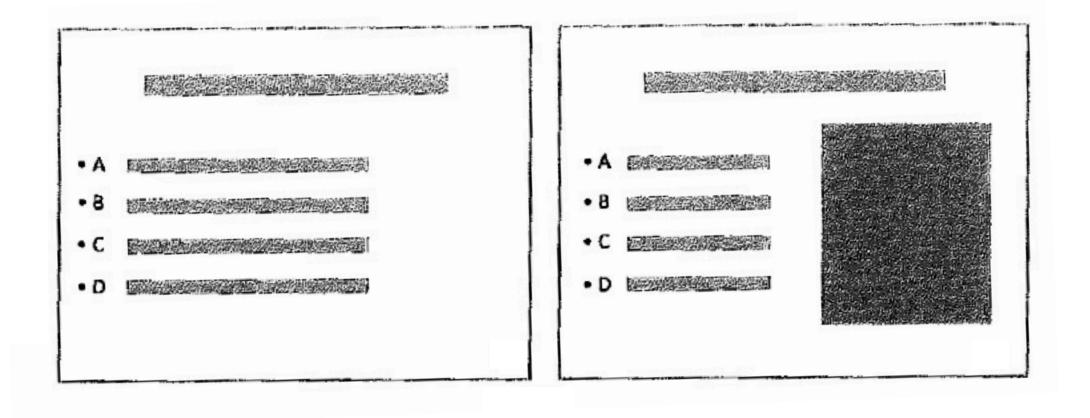
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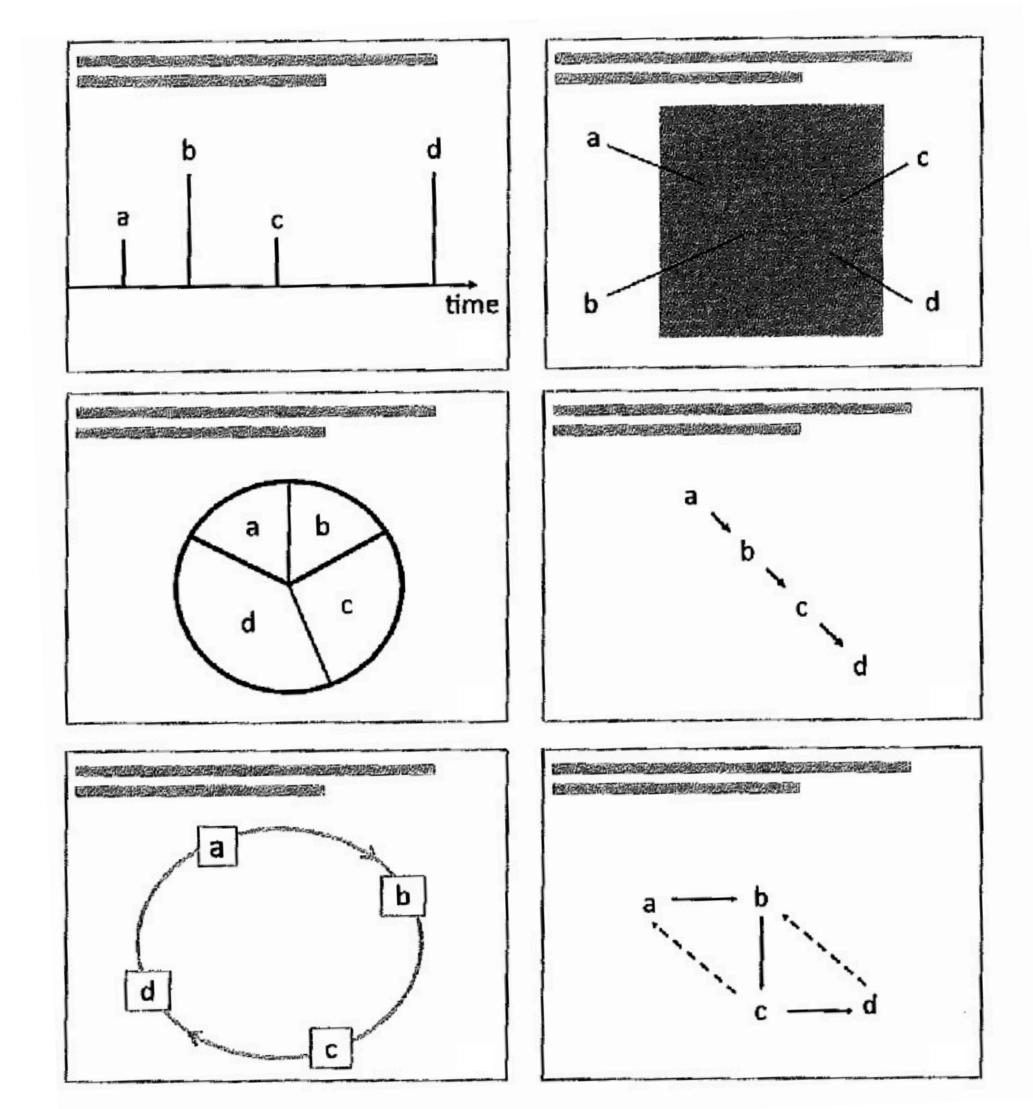


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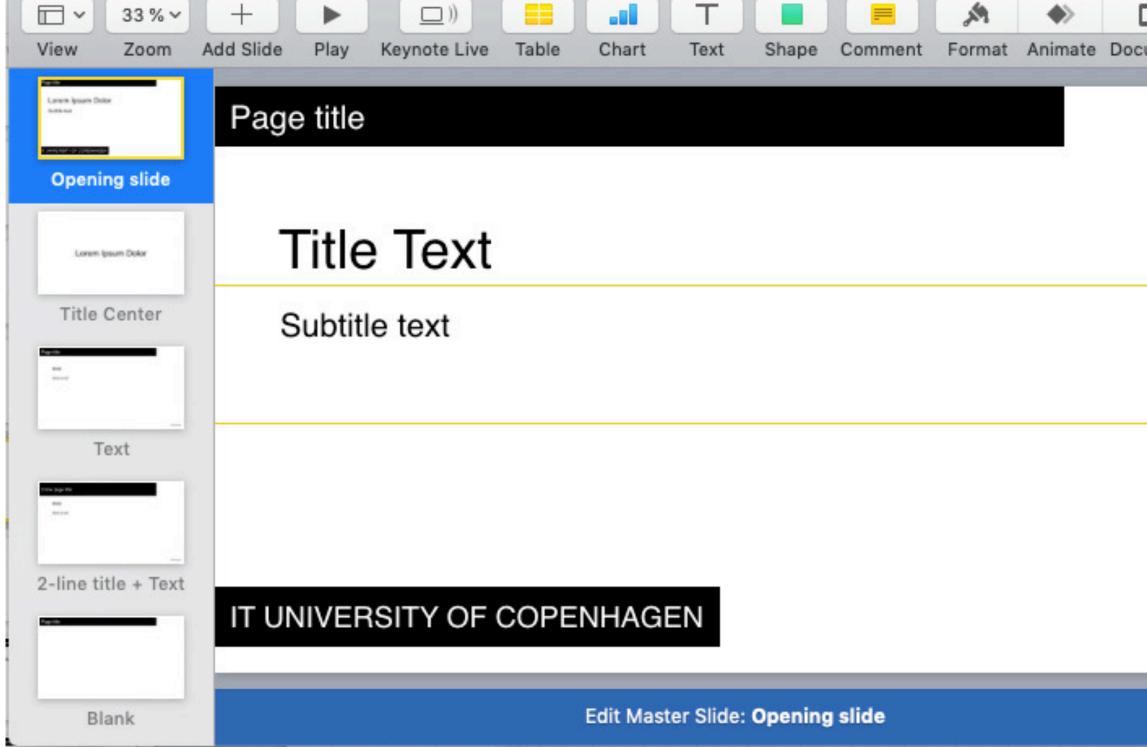
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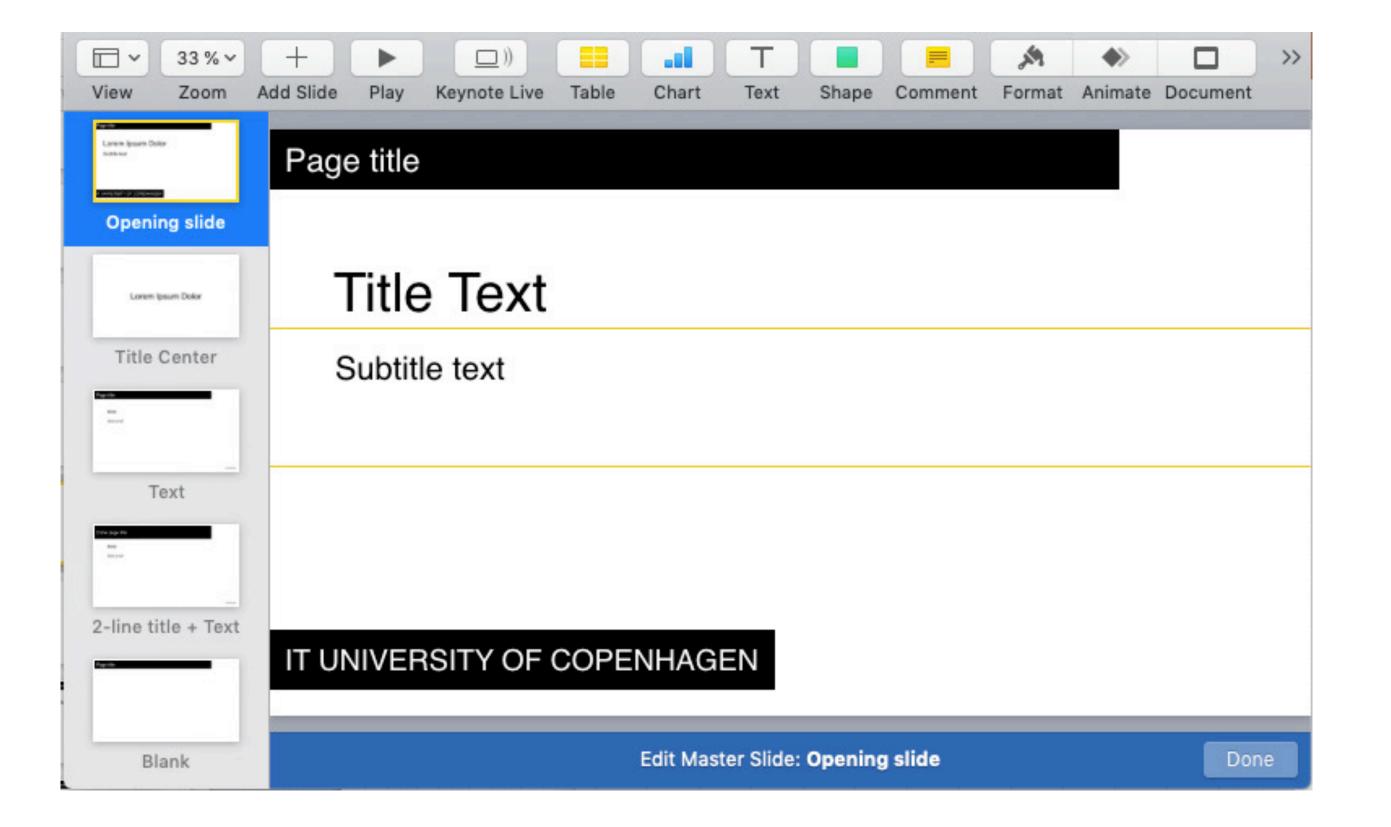
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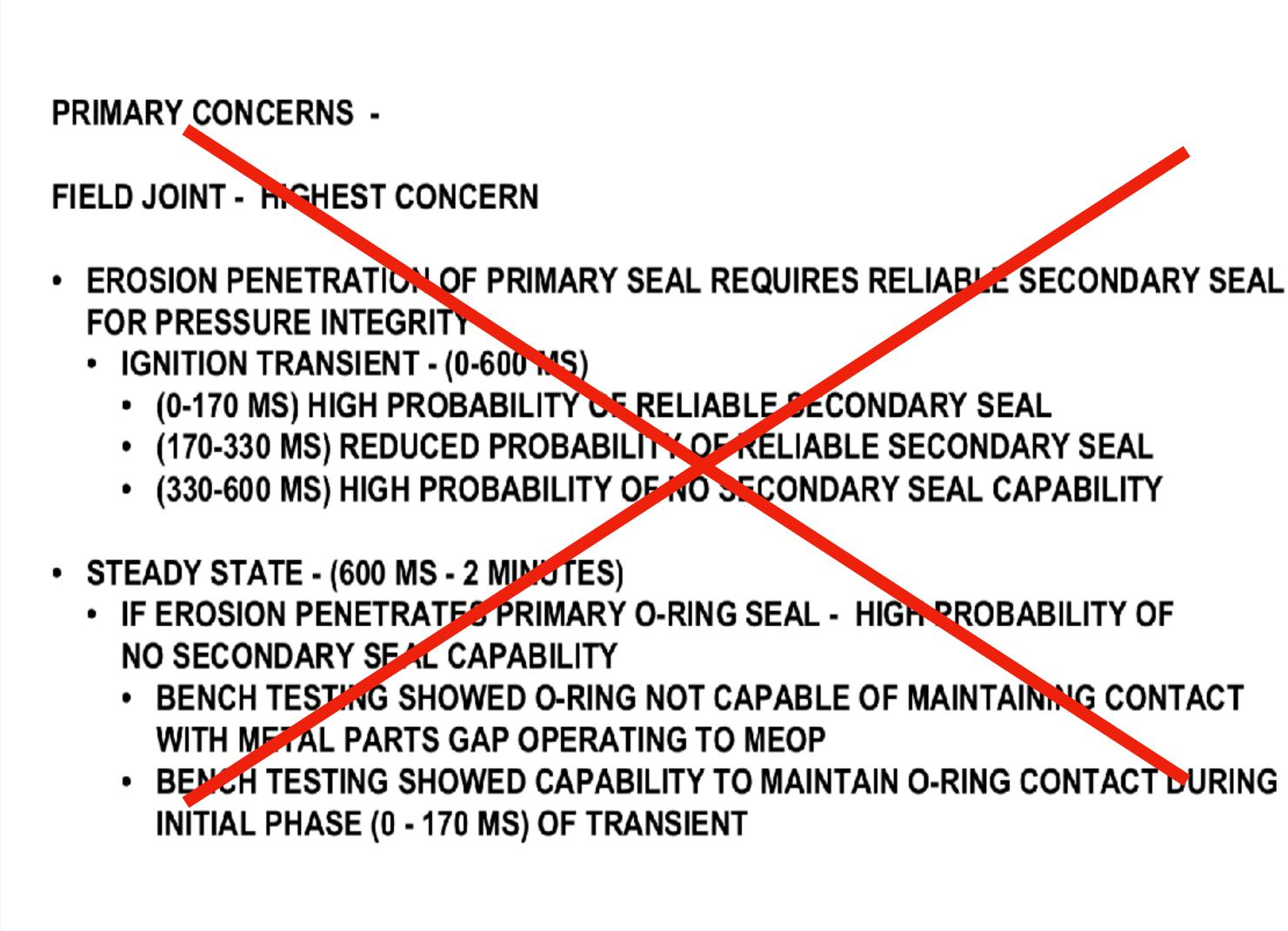
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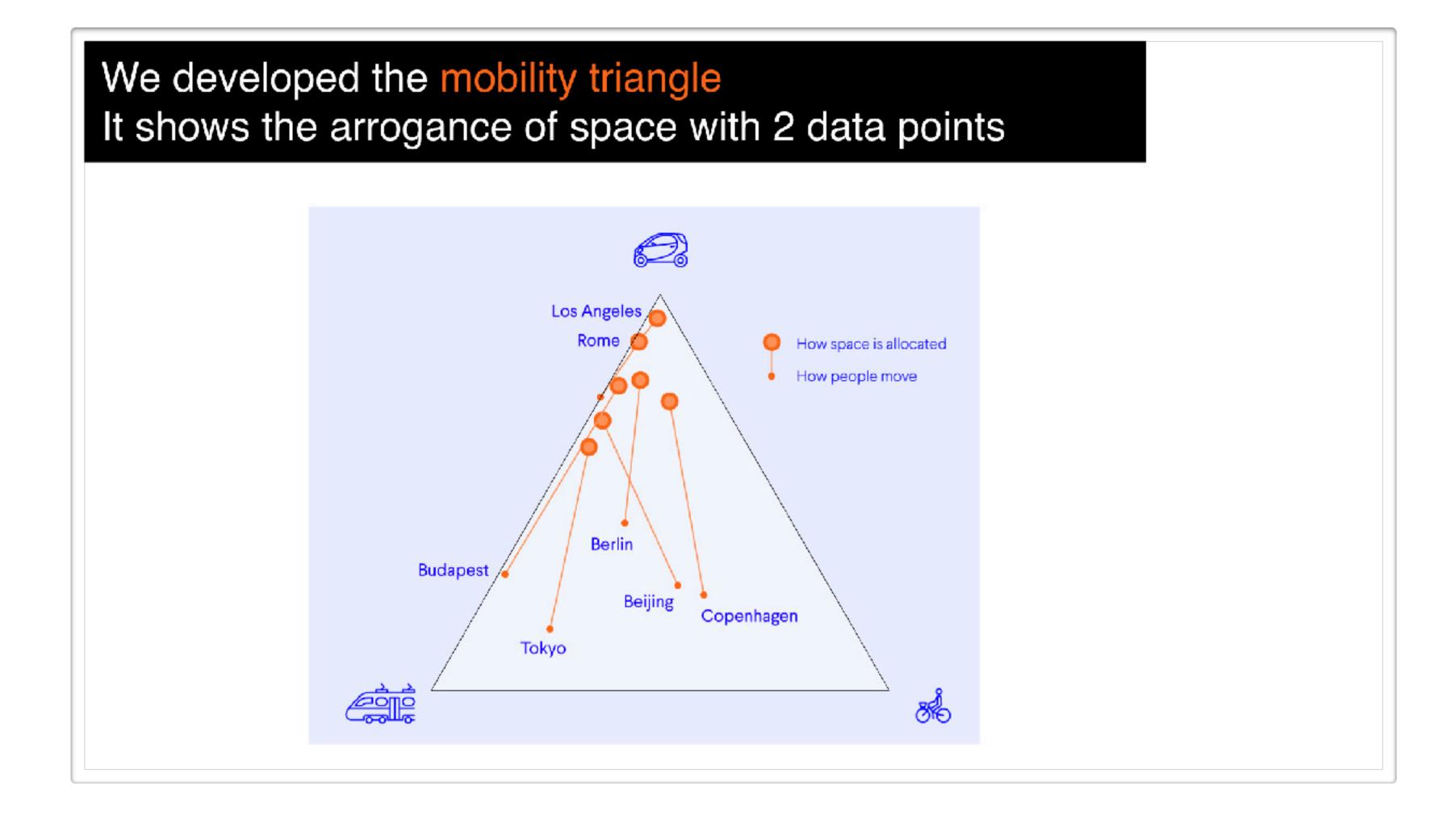
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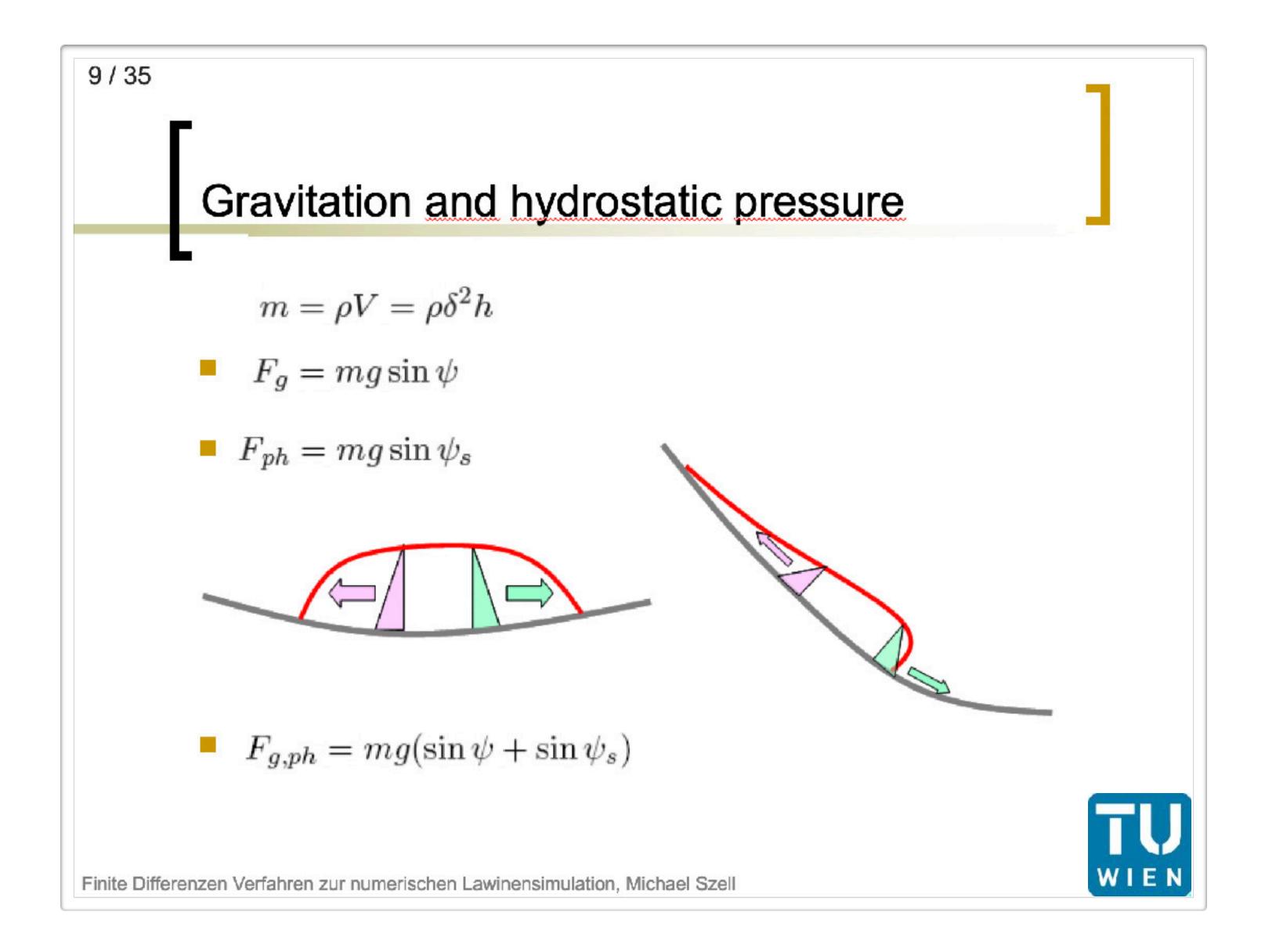
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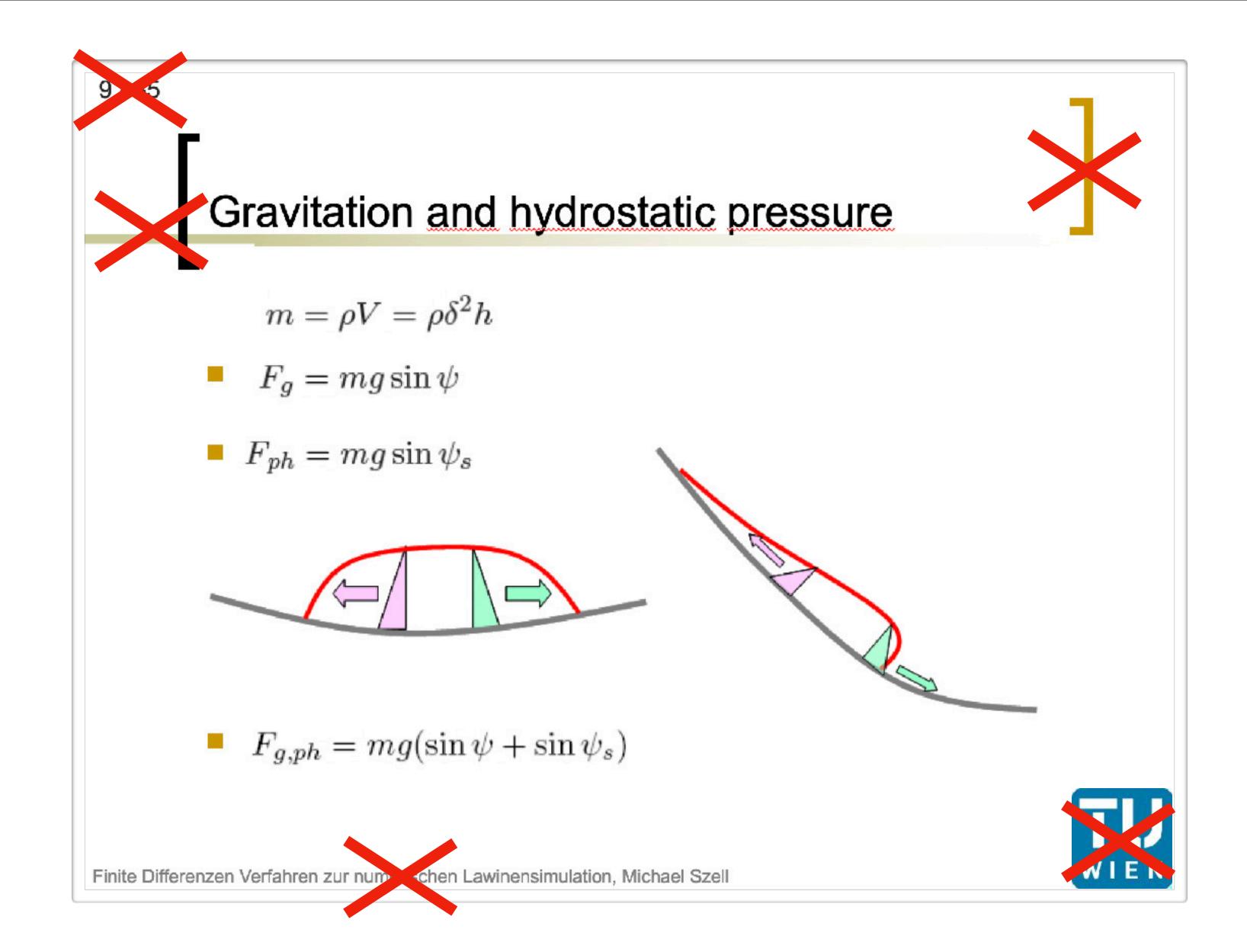
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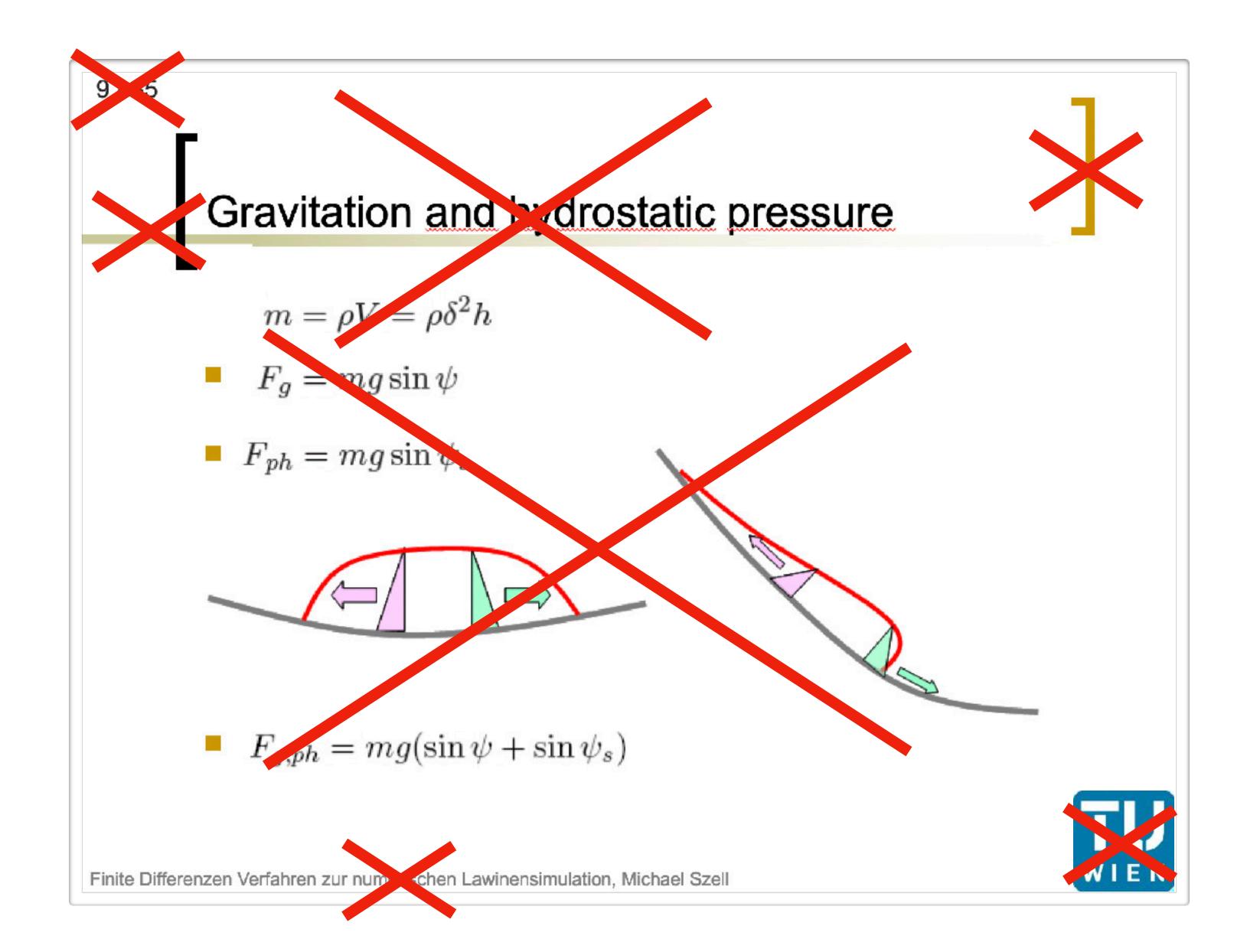
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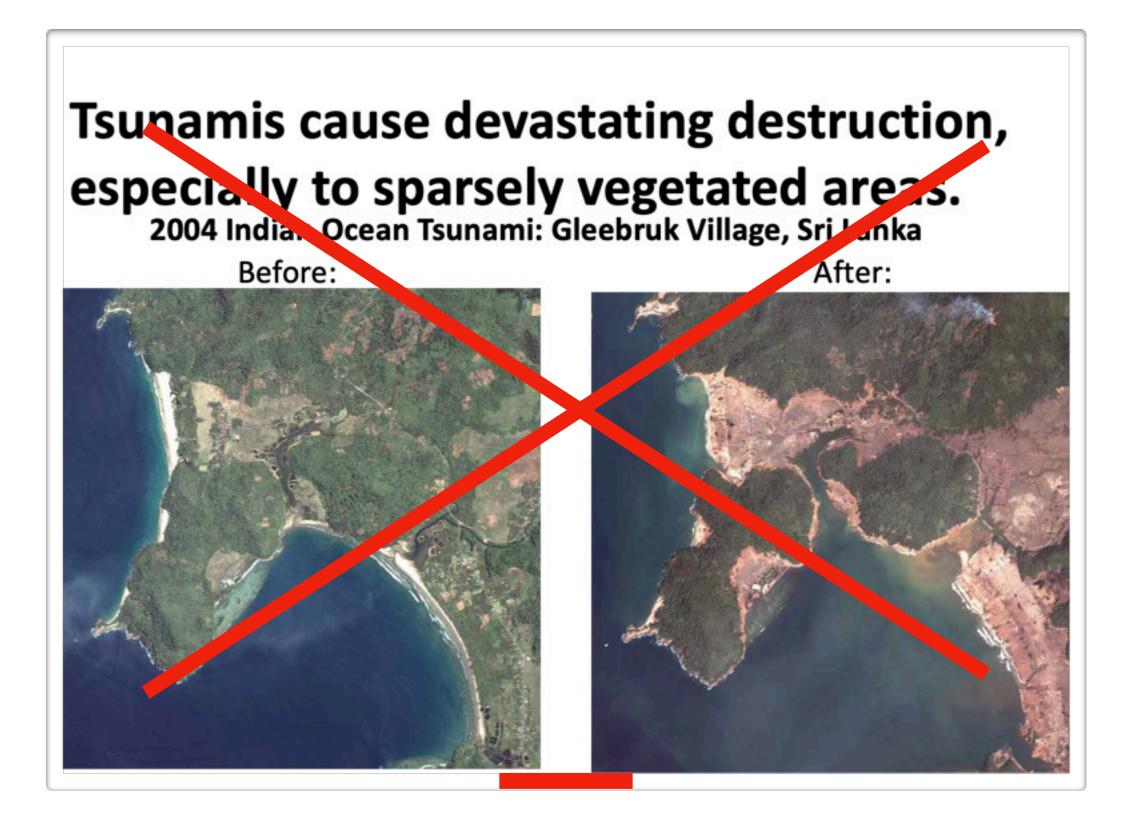
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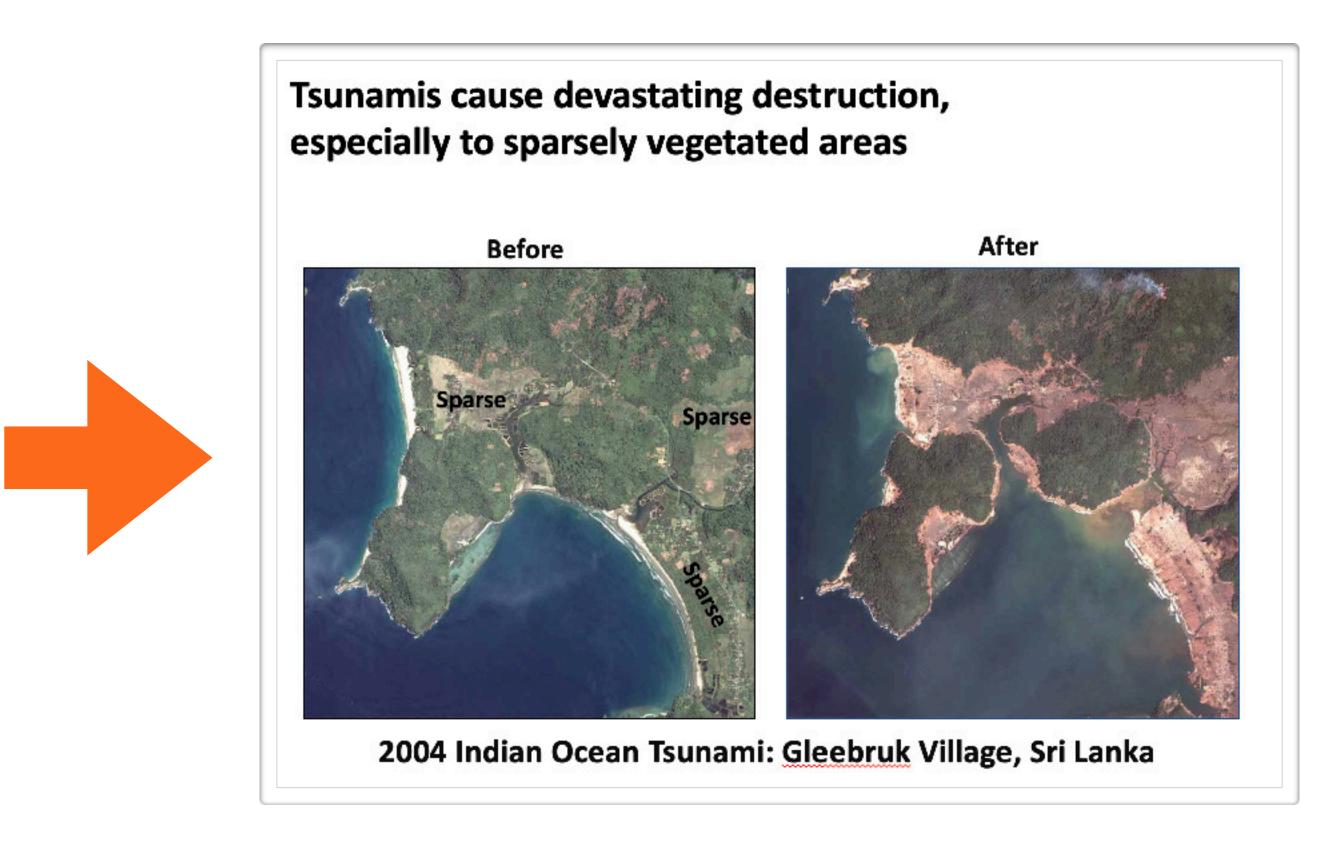


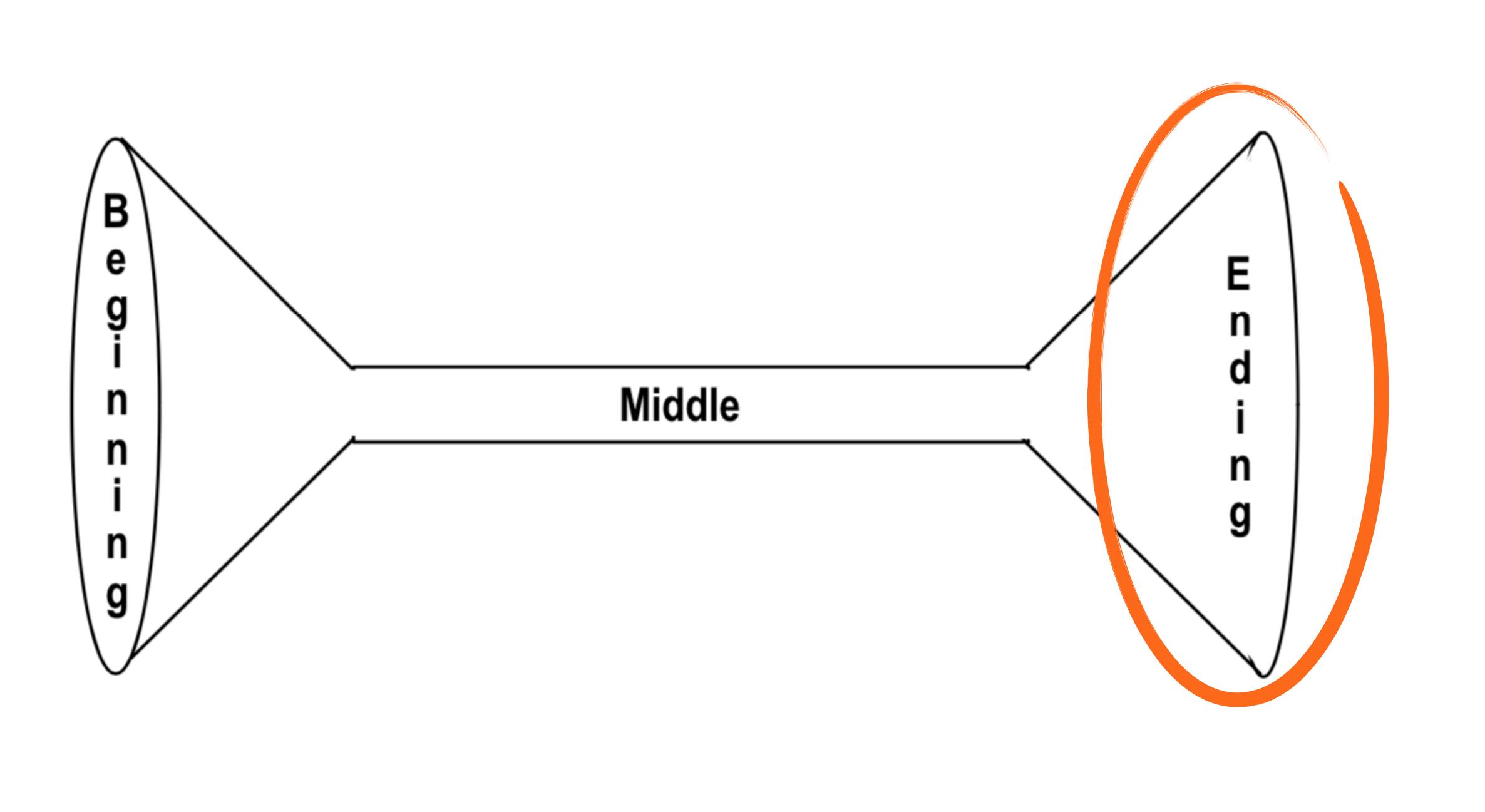
How could you improve these slides?



Leave enough space, align, group



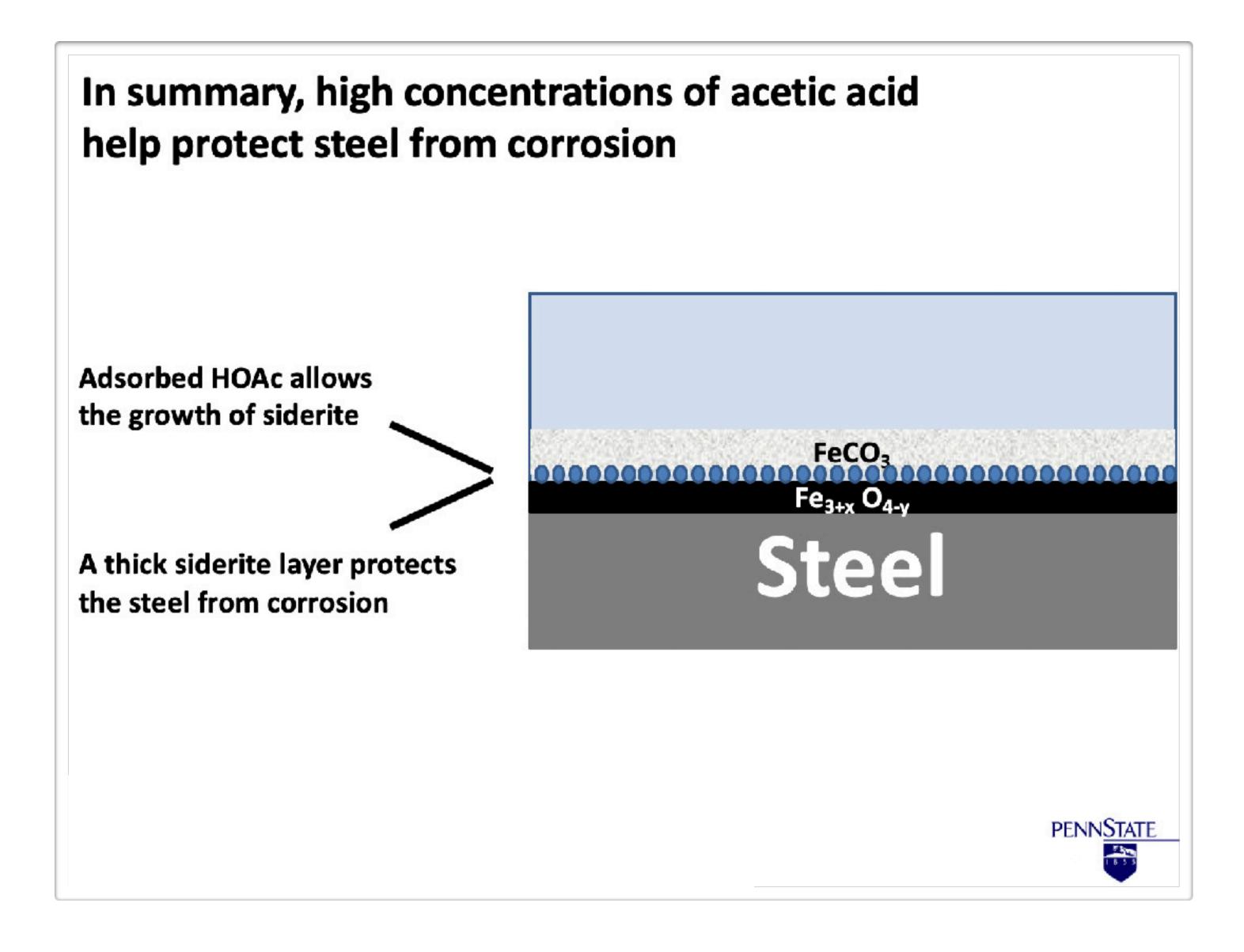




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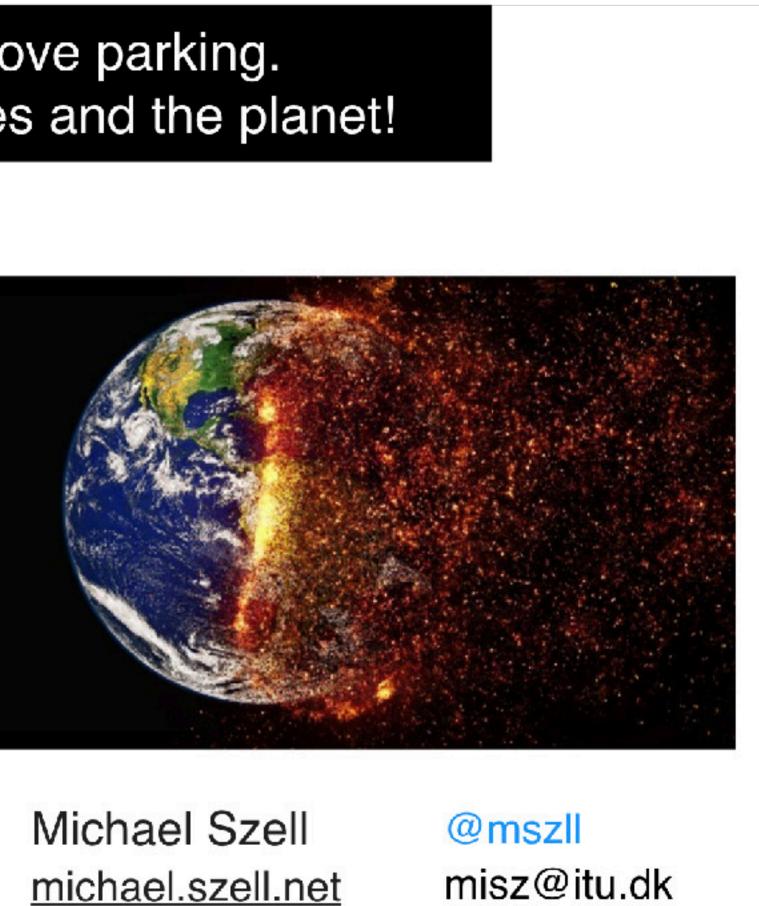




Final slides can give a call for action

Pioneering cities have started to remove parking. Let us push for more to save our cities and the planet!





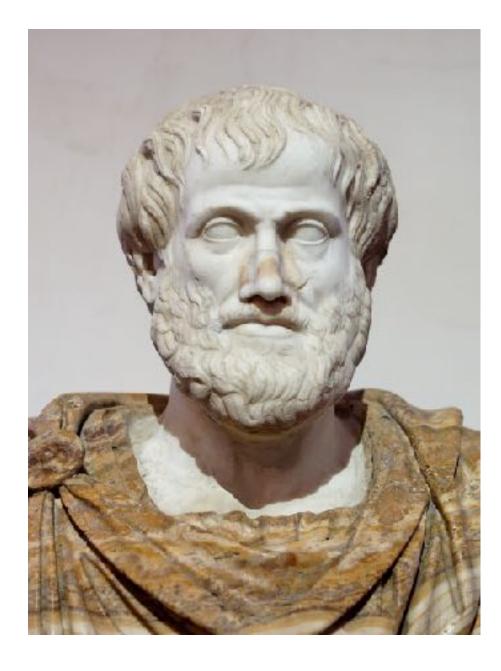
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Presentations for different purposes

When informing, be logical and straightforward



Tell them what you are going to tell them,

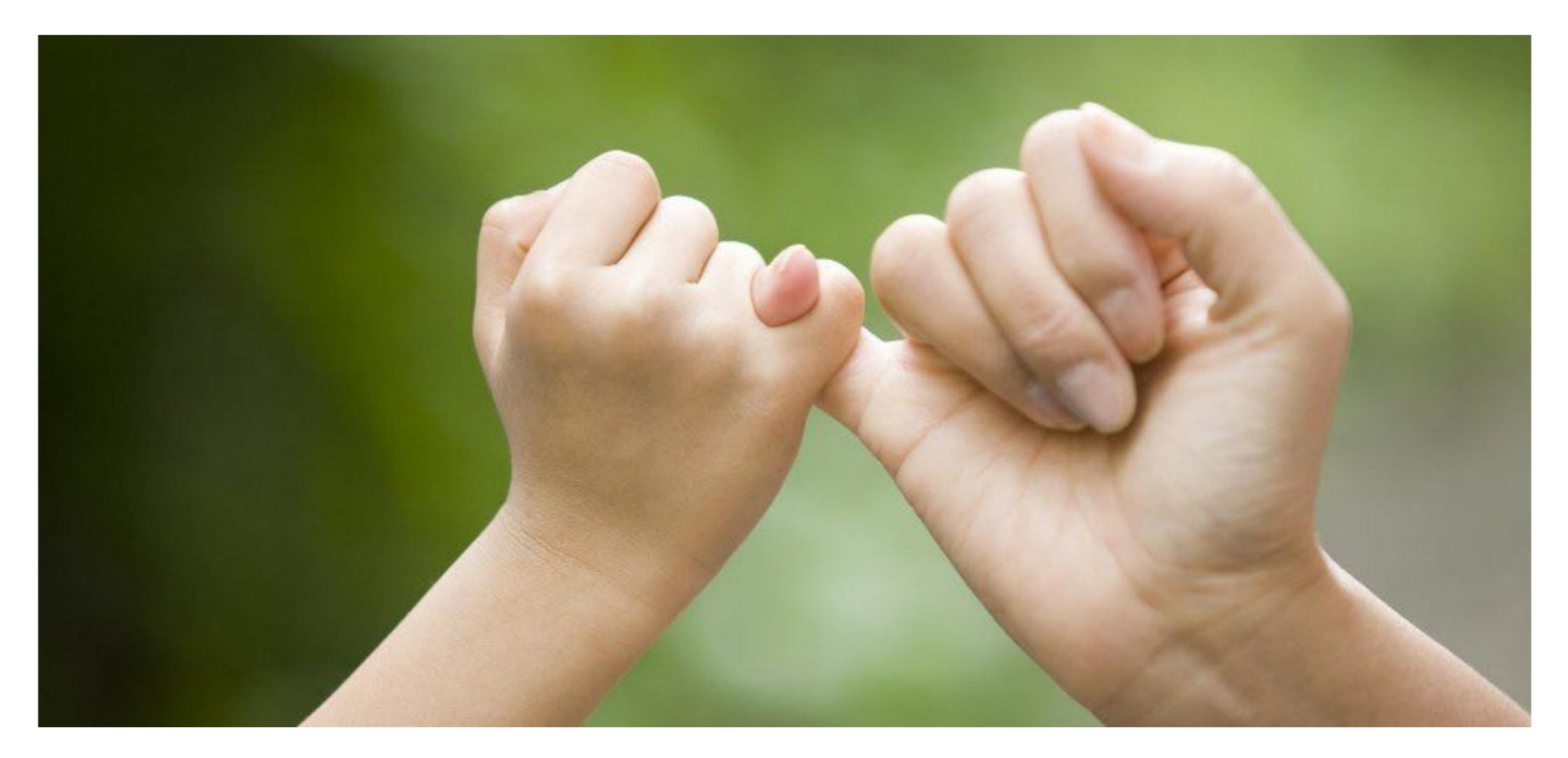
tell them,

and tell them what you told them.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aristotle

When persuading, audience bias has to be considered

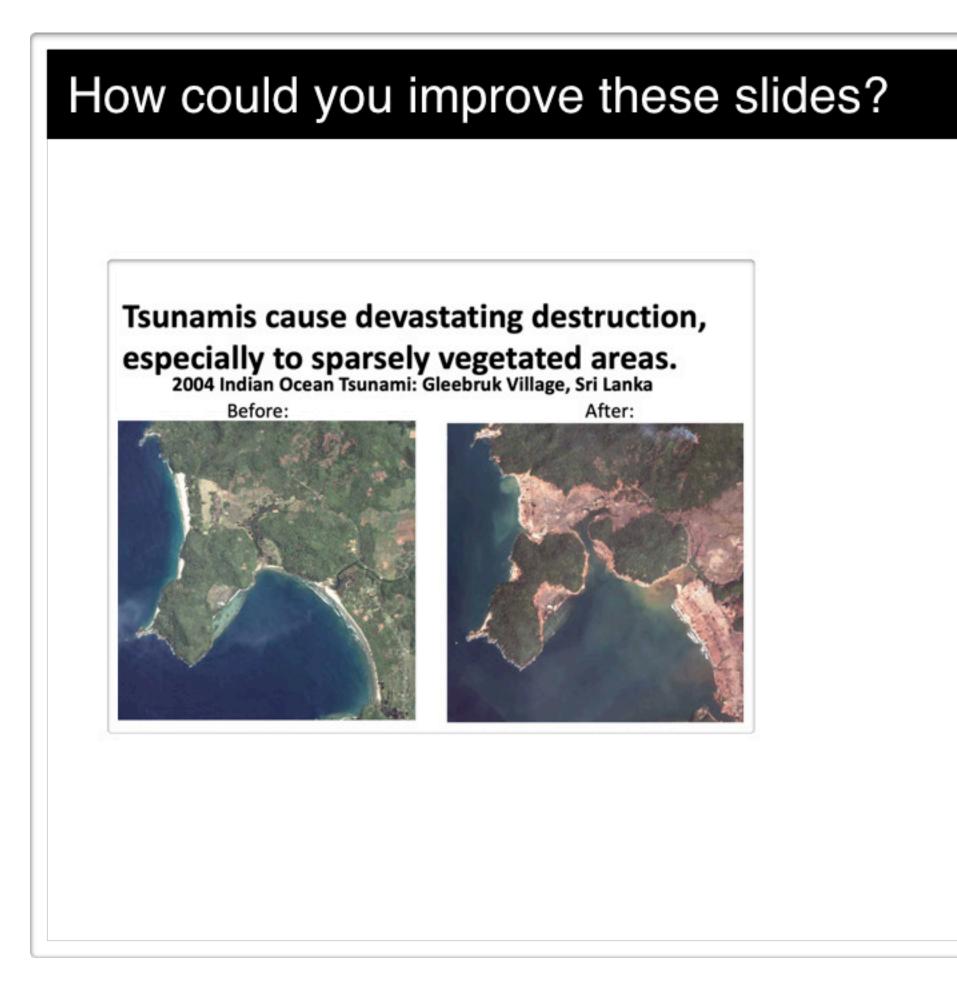


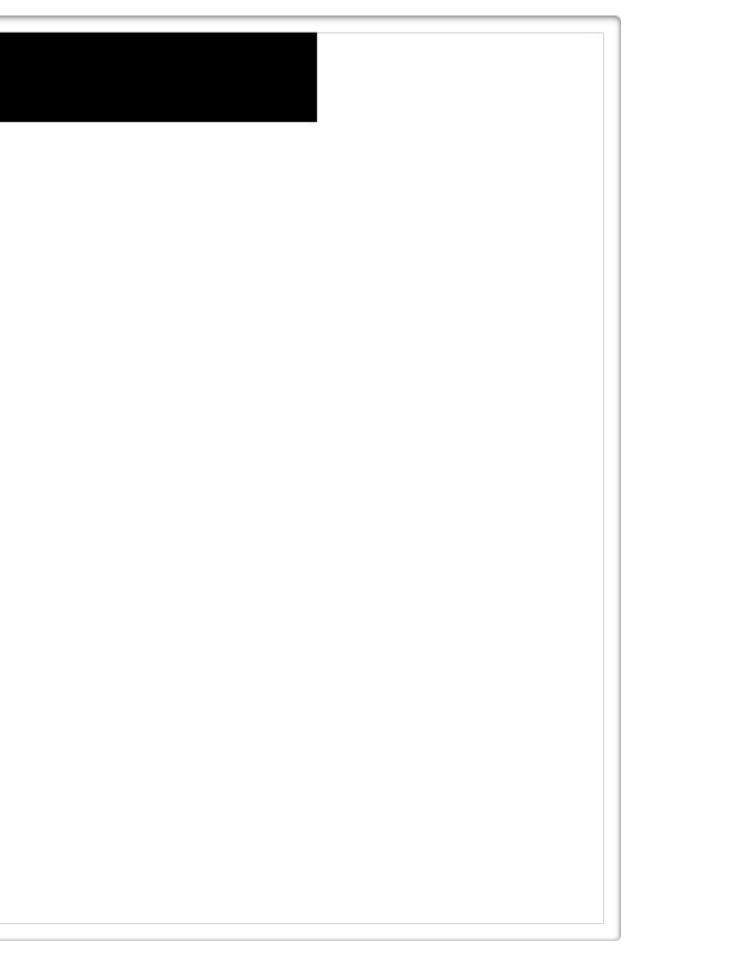
With an antagonistic audience, building credibility is most important

When inspiring or entertaining, passion & delivery is key



When teaching, present first evidence, then assertion

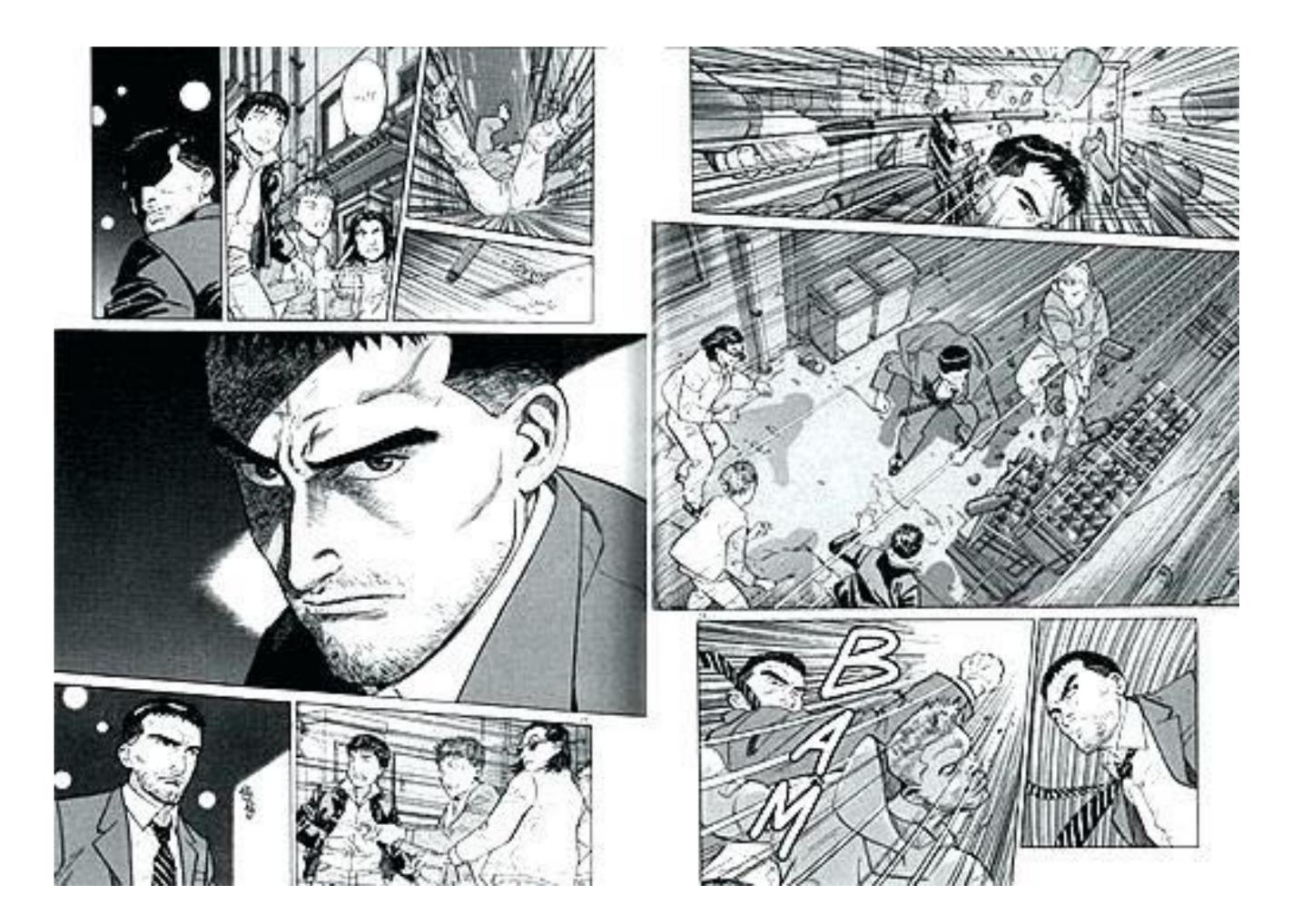






Preparing presentations

Before opening your computer, decide the story of your talk





Preparing today's 3.5-hour lecture took me 20+ hours



... and I did not practice much

EXERCISE: Improve your own presentation

10 min: Start improving your slides following the checklist

Form groups of 2. 5 min: Apply checklist to your partner's slides 5+5 min: Get+give feedback



Open: Continue improving until the whole checklist is satisfied

Mandatory assignment 1: Slides

Consider your own research topic (for example, first or second year project). Using this topic, create and hand in a deck of 5-12 slides in pdf format for a 6 minute presentation targeted towards *informing* a *general audience*. It should follow the assertion-evidence format and include images. Use the checklist to ensure quality slides.

Suggested starting point: the slides from an existing previous presentation like the ones you gave during your first/second year project exams. In a later class you will be expected to present.

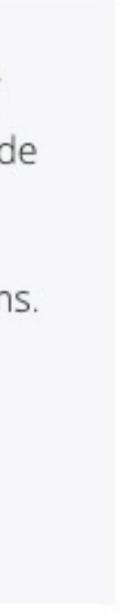
Hand-in of this assignment is required for taking the final exam. Hand-in after the due date is not possible.

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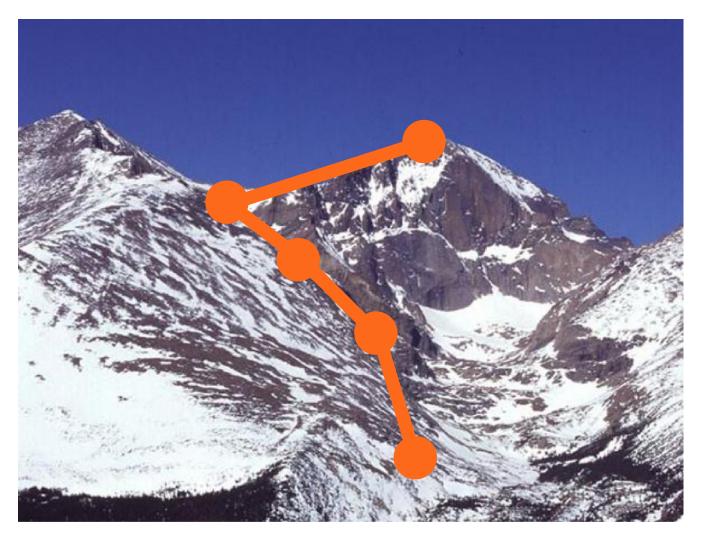
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Today you learned

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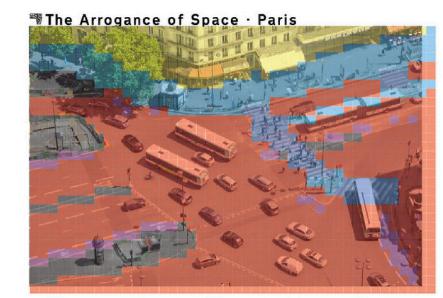






Slide design is important to not lose your audience

Space is not distributed in a fair way between different modes of transport



Space for cars Space for peds Space for bikes Dead' space

Copenhagenize

Know your audience!



Sources and further materials for today's class



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