

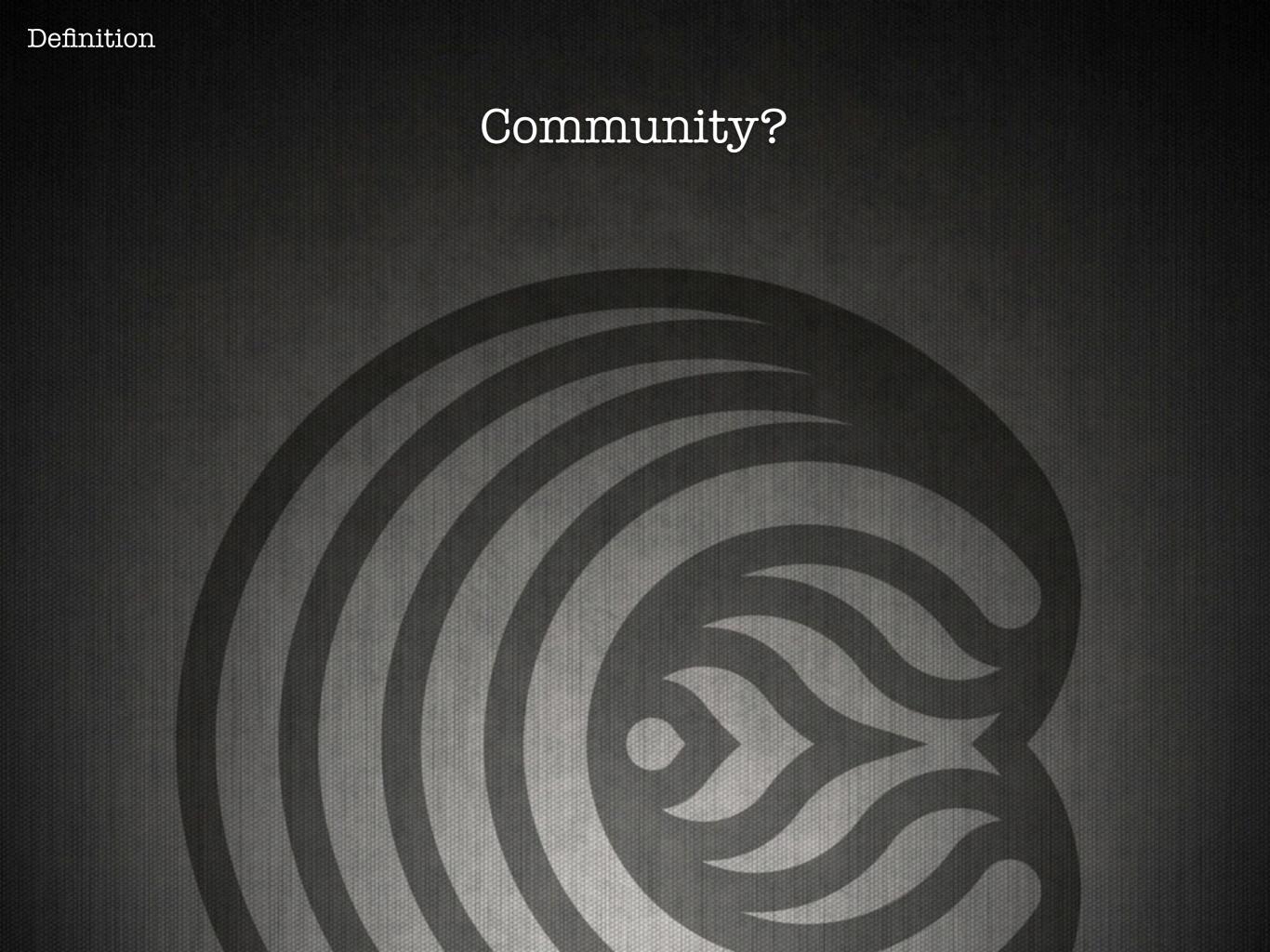
# Did you talk to your community today?

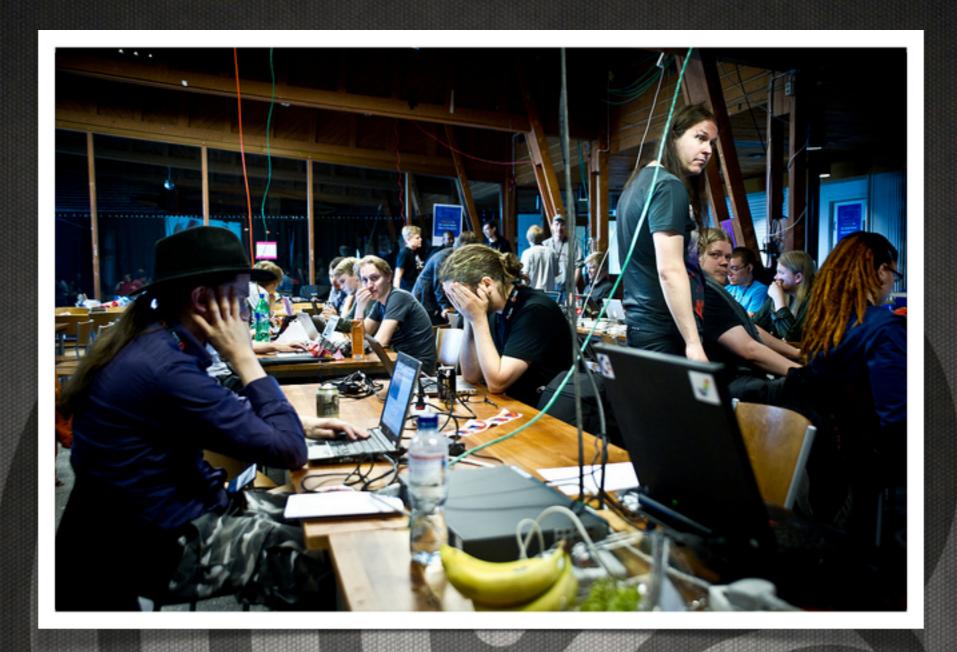
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#madskills



#beliefs



#hood



#northkorea



#convention



#flashmobs



#twins



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## Online community



... exists online and the members enable its existence through taking part in membership ritual.

# Ritual?

Let's try it!









(My) Evolution of community

2006-2008 From scratch

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2008-2011 Plugin & mash up

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Now Hybrid

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#### Alexa Ranking (14 Februar 2007)

YouTube.com: 5

MySpace.com: 6

Fotolog.com: 27

Flickr.com: 41

Flixter.com: 1,885,204

#### PROFILE

- 1. User profile with details about the user
- 2. Customize profile
- 3. Edit profile (basic like text/colors/text size/boxes/background image etc.)
- 4. Change skin
- 5. Create new skin for profile
- 6. Stats
- 7. Add external link to profile (to website, blog, friend-sites etc.)
- 8. Upload content
- 9. Privacy option (hide profile and/or content to some/all)
- 54. Terminate account / profile instantly (no screenshot)

#### COMMUNITY

- 10. Search members / groups
- 11. View/search user/content by geographic setting
- 12. User groups (by region/interest etc.)
- 13. Message board / discussion forum
- 14. Avatar
- 15. Tagging
- 16. User blog
- 17. Add user to favorites (befriend)
- 18. Add content items to my favorites (scrap book)
- 19. Language versioning
- 20. User subdomain (i.e. <a href="www.domain.com/user/content">www.domain.com/user/content</a>)
- 21. Express yourself by 'liking' (favorite movie, music, book etc.)
- 22. Flas as inappropriate
- 23. 'stickyness' feature (recommend similar/other)
- 24. Rate content
- 25. Subscribe to creator
- 26. Playlist-feature
- 27. Internal mailing system (communicate with community members and friends)
- 28. Testimonial (write a recommendation for a user) (no screenshot)
- 29. Comments from other users / Guestbook
- 30. Download content
- 44. Friend list (featured on profile)

#### VIRAL FEATURES

- 31. Embed/publish content on other media with code-string
- 32. Email this photo/video etc. directlyto non-member
- 33. Permalink
- 34. RSS
- 35. Recommend for third party (digg, del.icio.us, etc.)
- 36. Official site blog
- 37. Add blogs directly to my account (for easy posting)
- 38. Email non-members directly from the site when I've uploaded content
- 39. Email non-members to join site, by adding their emails manually, i.e. seperated by comma
- 40. Invite non-members directly by logging into gmail, hotmail, aolmail, yahoo mail!
- 41. Email notifications when something happens (no screenshot)
- 55. Widgets, ie google start page (no screenshot)

#### ADS / COMMERCIAL

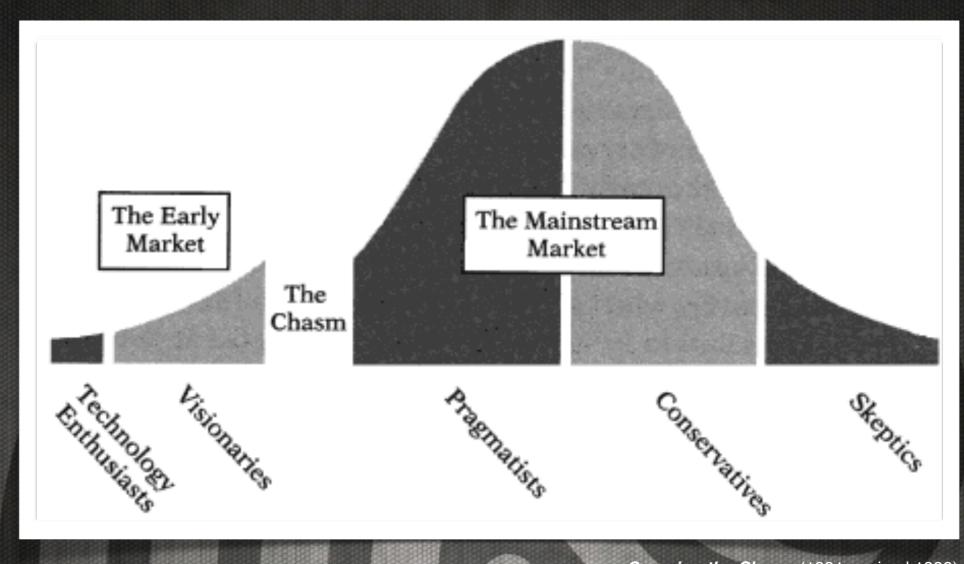
- 42. Ads from third parties
- 43. Merchandise store
- 45. Commercial membership possible (extra benefits)

#### OTHER

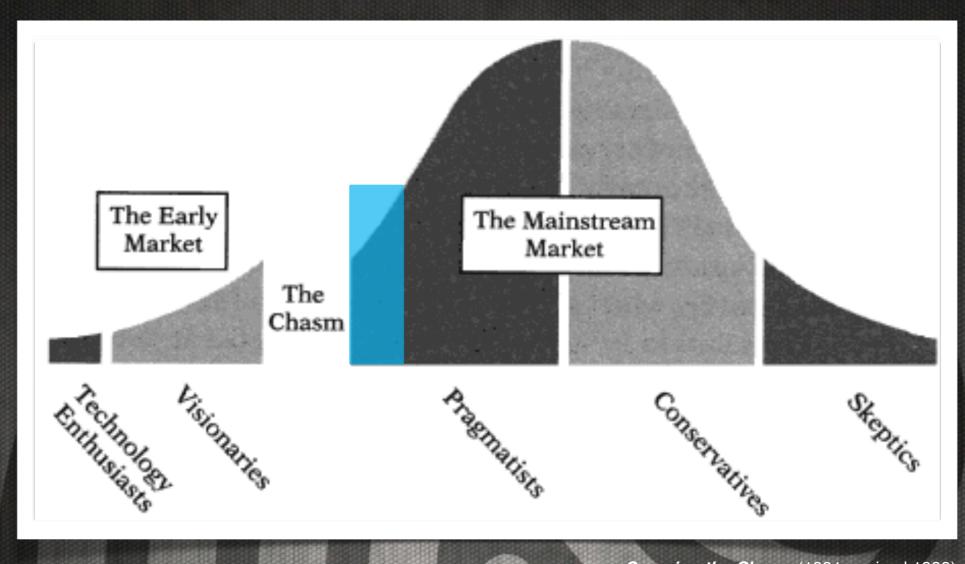
- 46. API
- 47. Automatic lists on the front page (new, popular etc.)
- 48. Non-automated featured content on front page (daily, cool, etc.)
- 49. Other services / 'fun stuff'
- 50. Mobile phone support
- 51. Quicklist-feature
- 52. Help-center
- 53. Signup using existing email account

Features do not make communities.

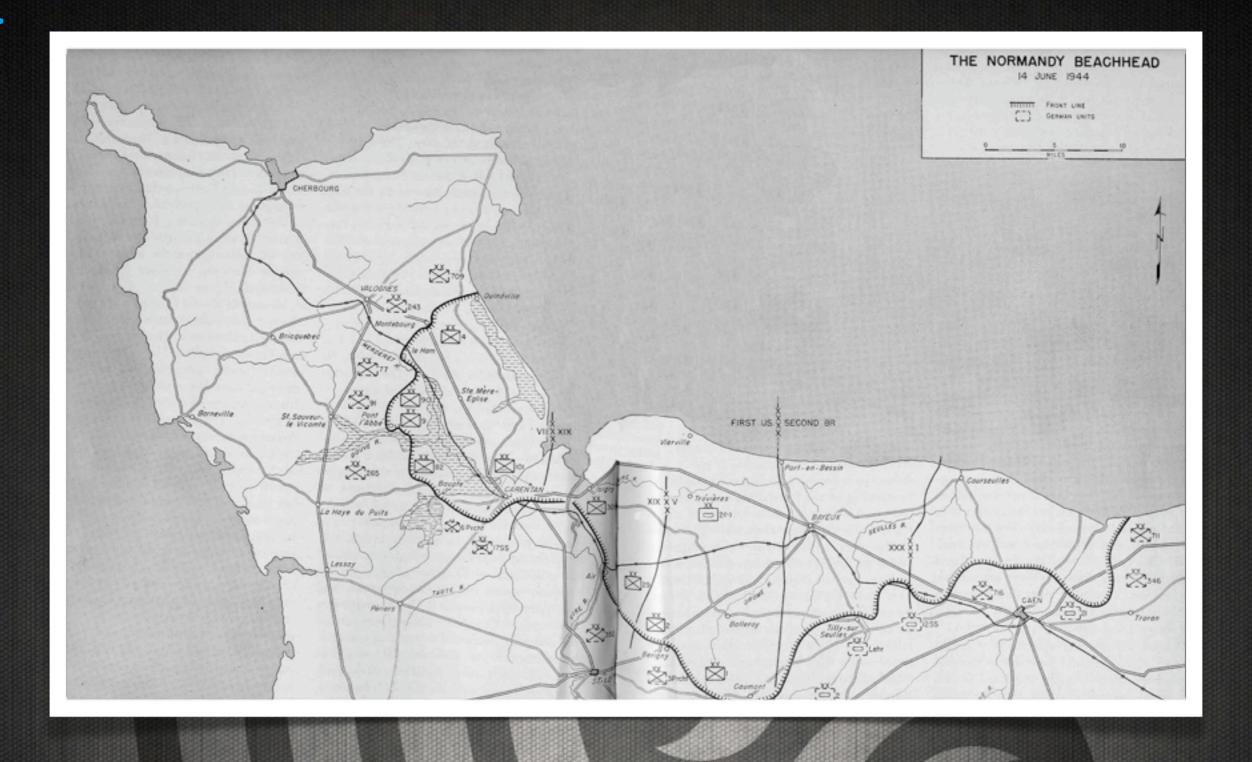
People do.



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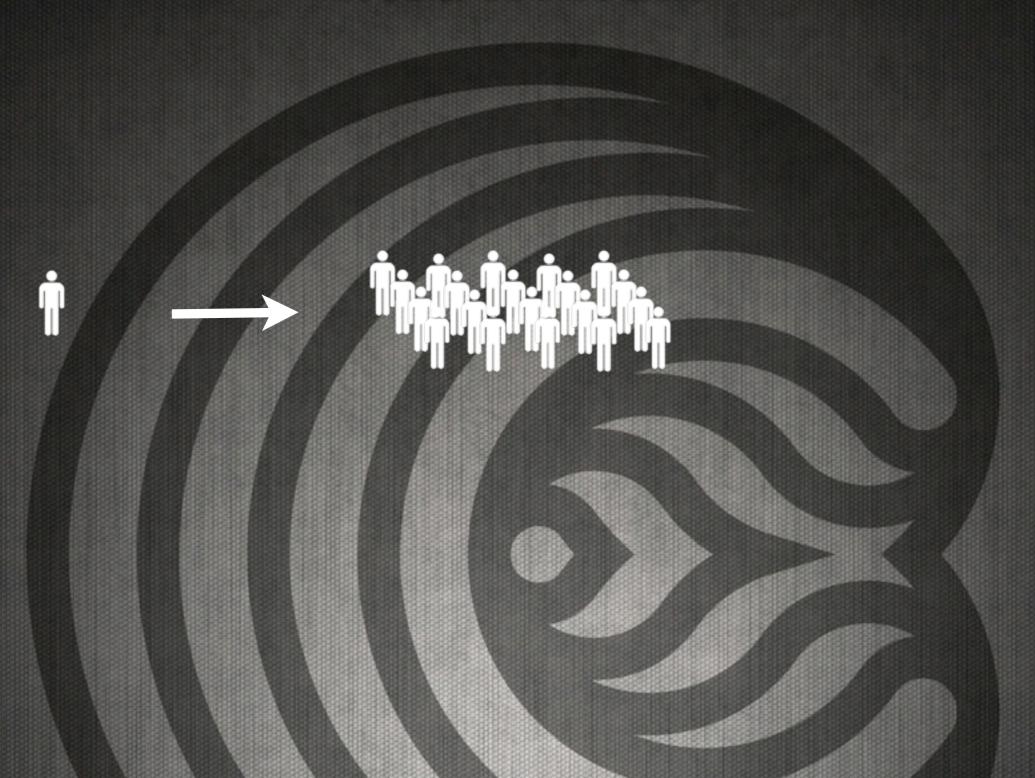


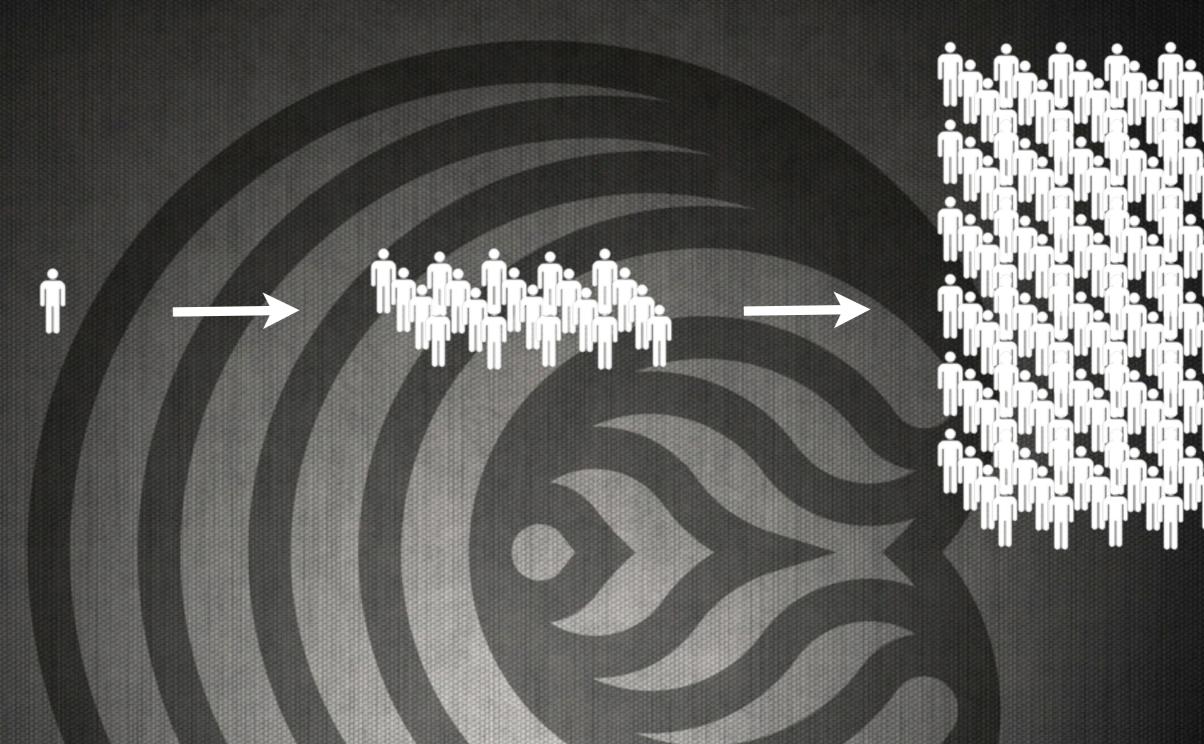
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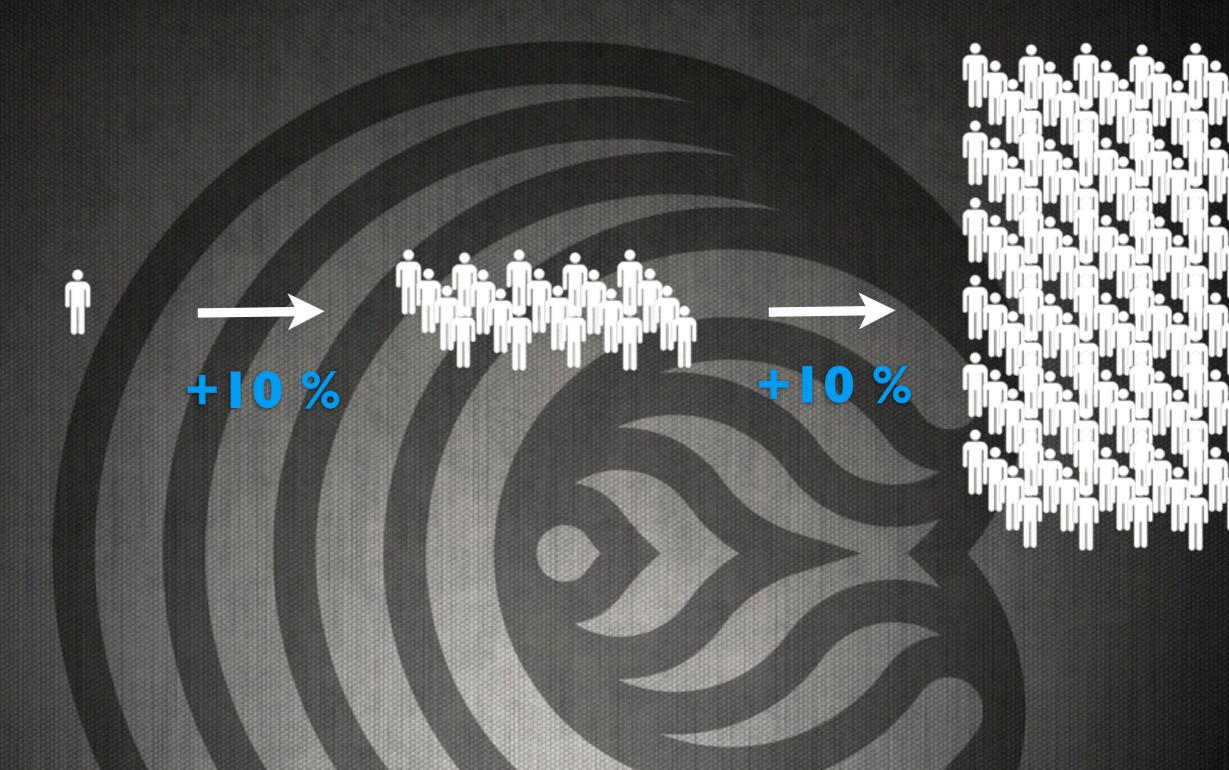


B2C Free

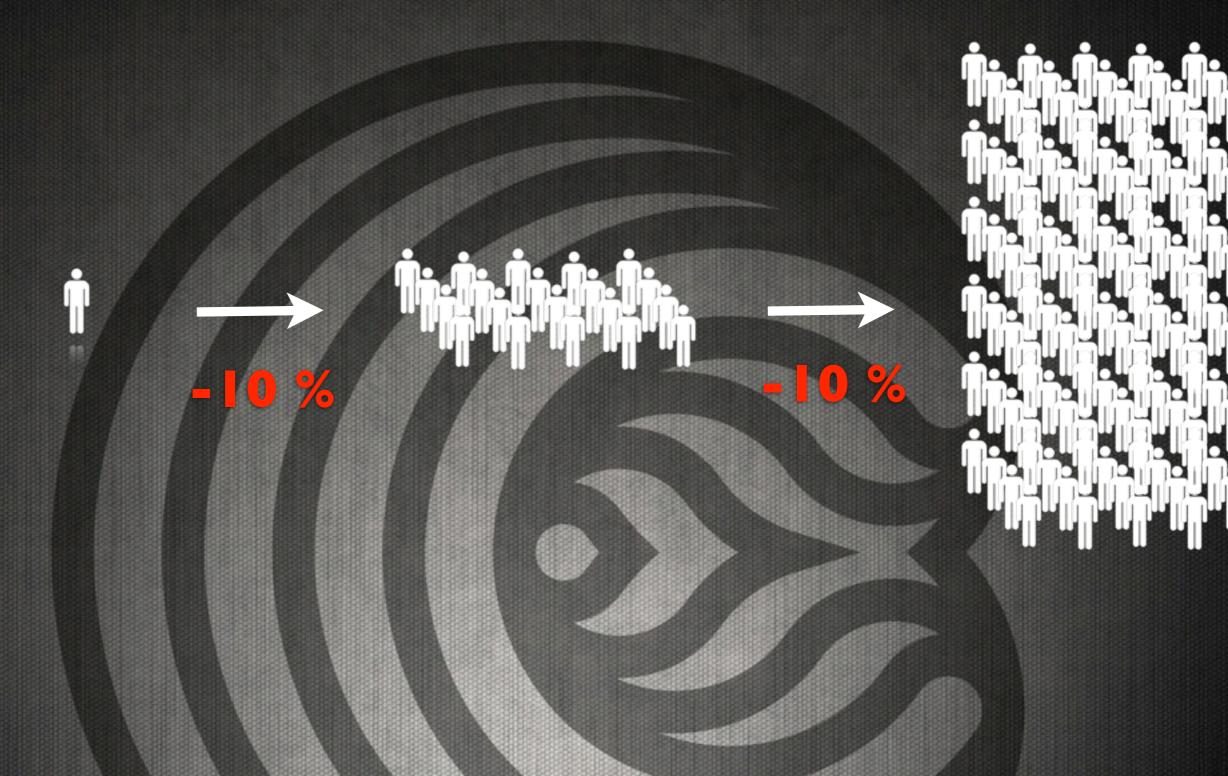








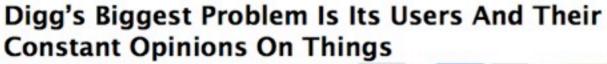
- Claim a niche
- Create ambassadors
- Listen, talk & improve constantly
- Don't forget your vision, be open about it
- Answer everything
- Set the bar up high (law of broken windows)
- Be authentic, transparent, honest
- Create a brand be cool
- BE GOOD



Buildinga community is like raising a baby tiger







by Michael Arrington on May 12,

107 Comments II Like 11 Buzz 222 771 retweet

There's a saying I love: "a camel is a horse designed by committee." A variation is "a volvo is a porsche designed by committee." Some of the best product advice I've ever heard goes something like "damn what the users want, charge towards your dream." All of these statements are, of course, saying the same thing. When there are too many cooks in the kitchen all you get is a mess. And when too many people have product input, you've got lots of features but no soul.

Product should be a dictatorship. Not consensus

driven. There are casualties. Hurt feelings. Angry users. But all of those things are necessary if you're going to create something unique. The iPhone is clearly a vision of a single core team, or maybe even one man. It happened to be a good dream, and that device now dominates mobile culture. But it's extremely unlikely Apple would have ever built it if they conducted lots of focus groups and customer outreach first. No keyboard? Please.

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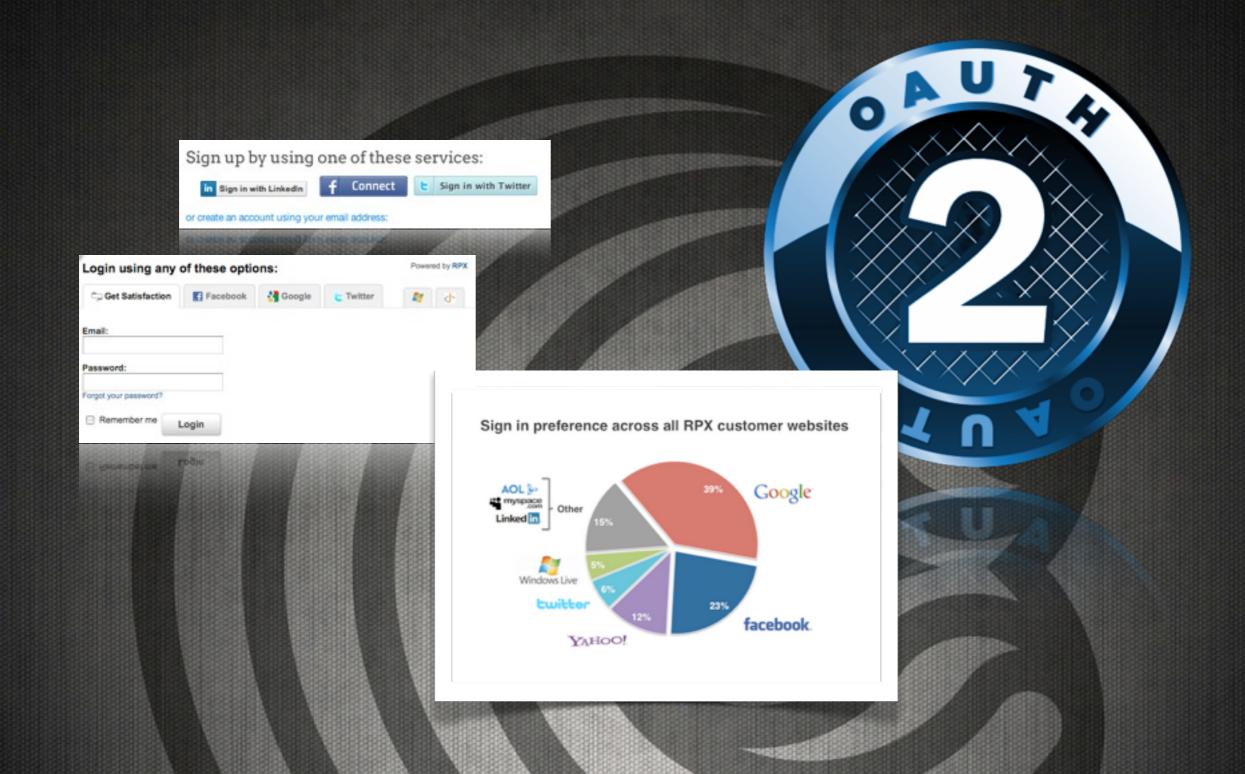
But the biggest PAIN in communities?

# Signing up!

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2008-2011 Plugin & mash up





Who owns the community?





## Who owns the community?

"I couldn't even get my own teenage daughter to look at Google+ twice, 'social isn't a product, social is people and the people are on Facebook,' she said"

James Whittaker, Google+ Lead, before leaving for Microsoft, 2012



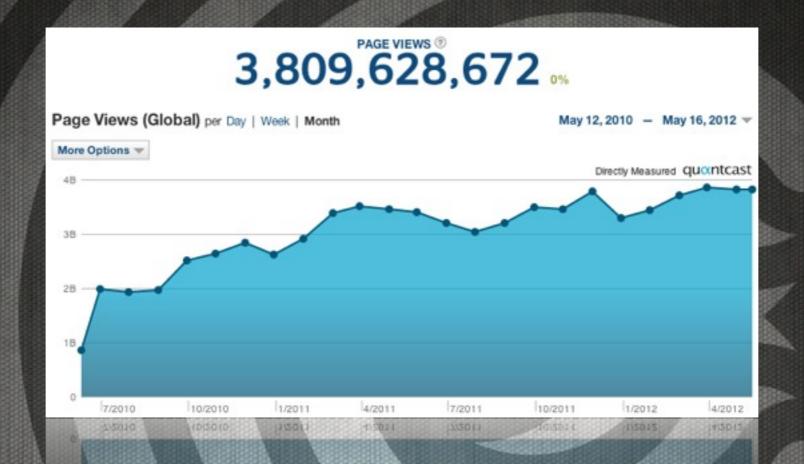


- US Rank today: 89
- Impressions: 3.8 billion / mo
- Users: 60 million / mo









Now III The hybrid



"Software Is Eating The World"

Marc Andreessen

"Now Every Company Is A Software Company"

David Kirkpatrick





Offline

Online

#gotocph



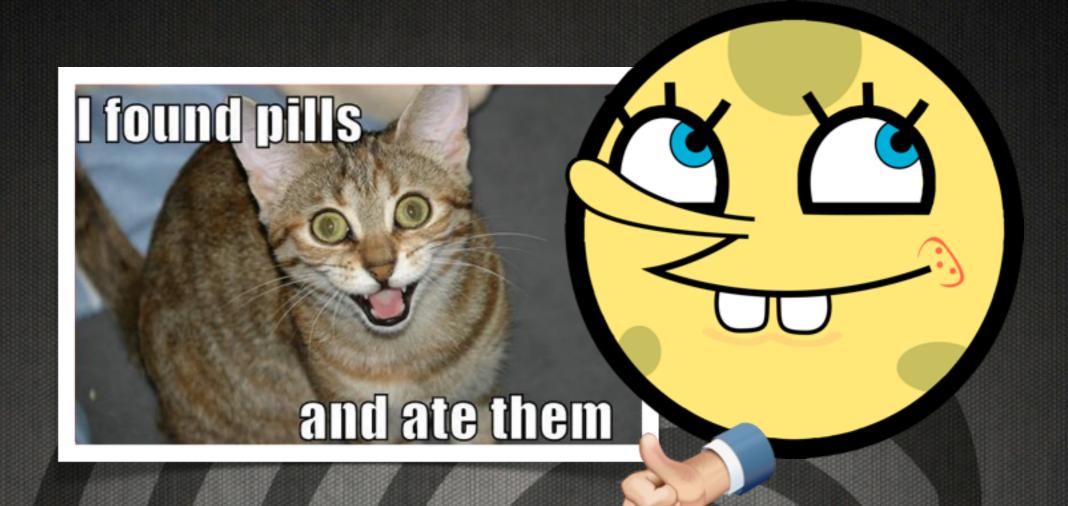
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# There is no offline



What we do in life echoes in eternity



Whatever we do in life echoes on the interwebs righ now, like, all the time

# Data noise JJJJJ ensemaking

an example

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# Hybrid communities

- Leverage what's already out there
- Twitter, Facebook, Foursquare, LinkedIn are (becoming) defacto standards for "social"
- Create tailored UX to match use case
- Focus on the niche, sensemaking, authenticity
- BE GOOD



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