

Designing in a Pandemic: Integrating Speed & Rigor

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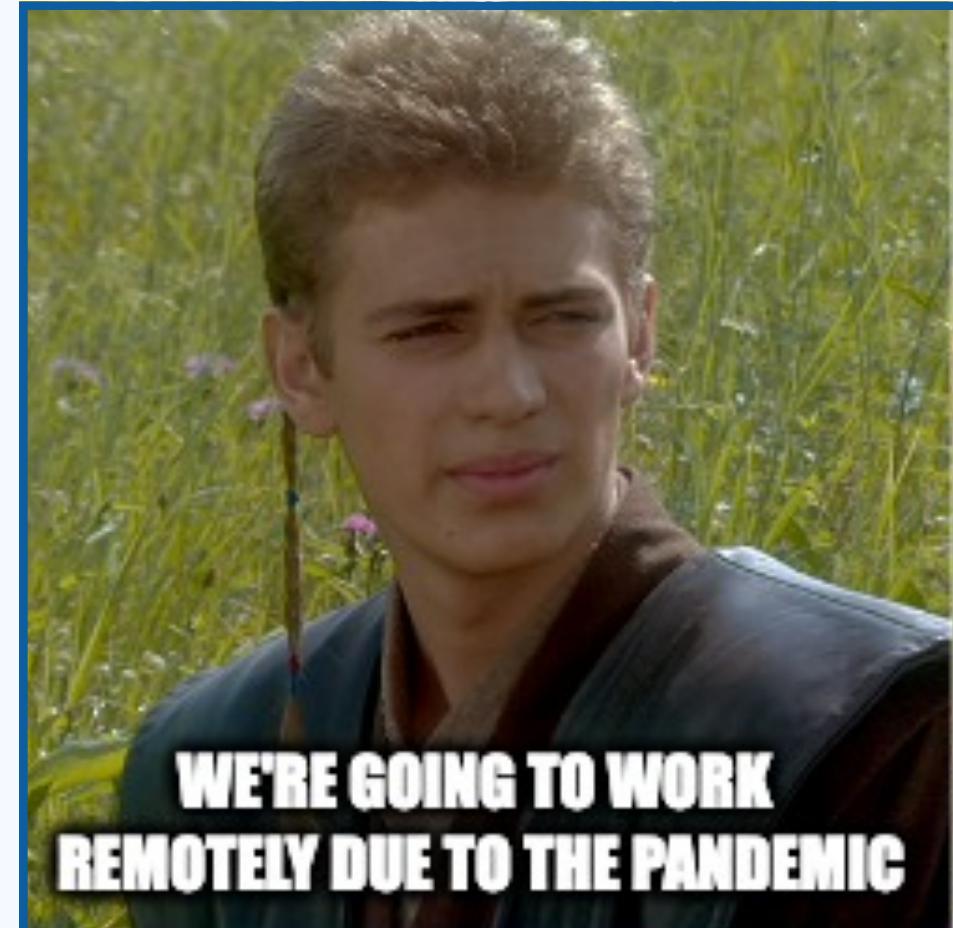


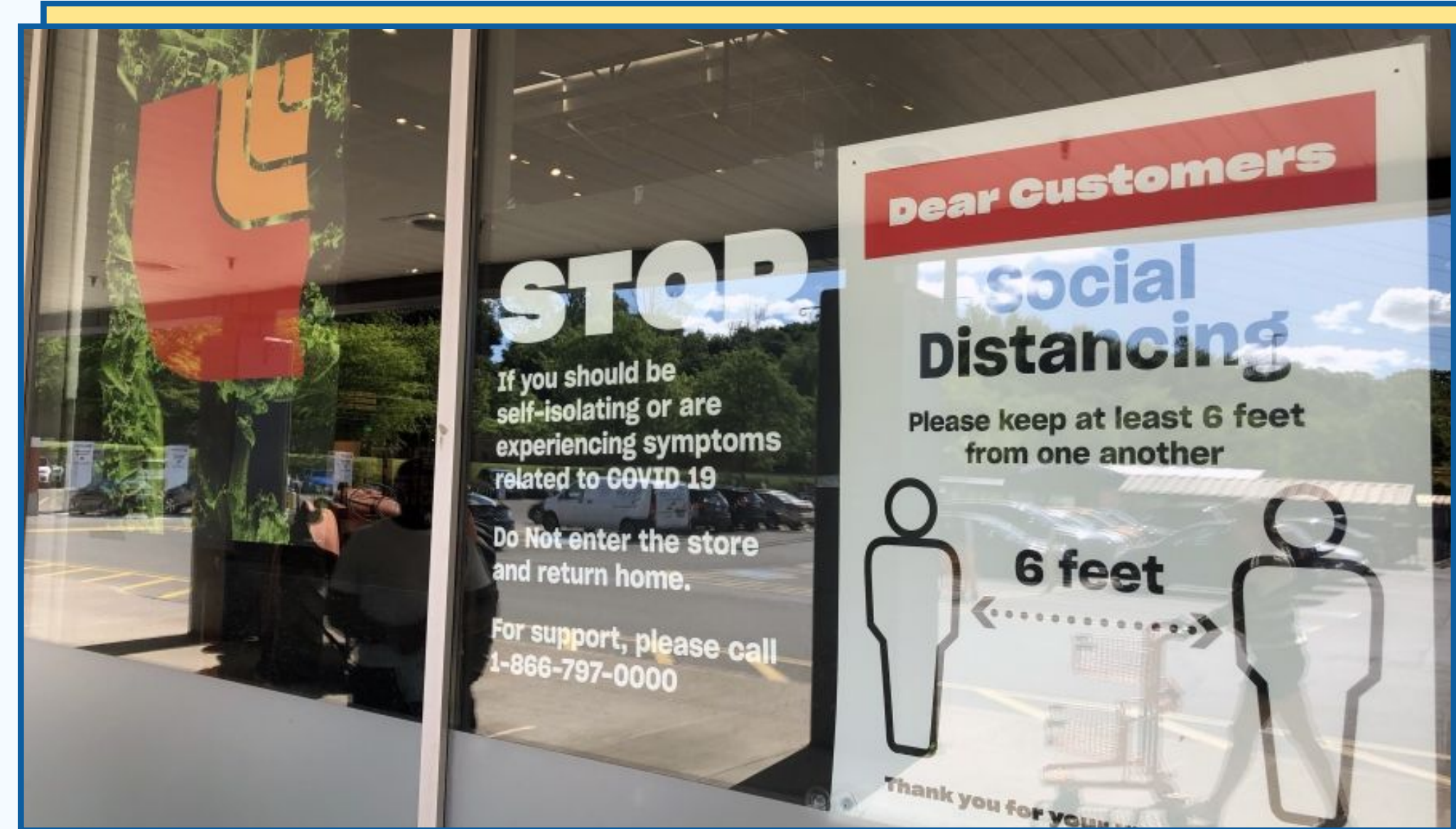
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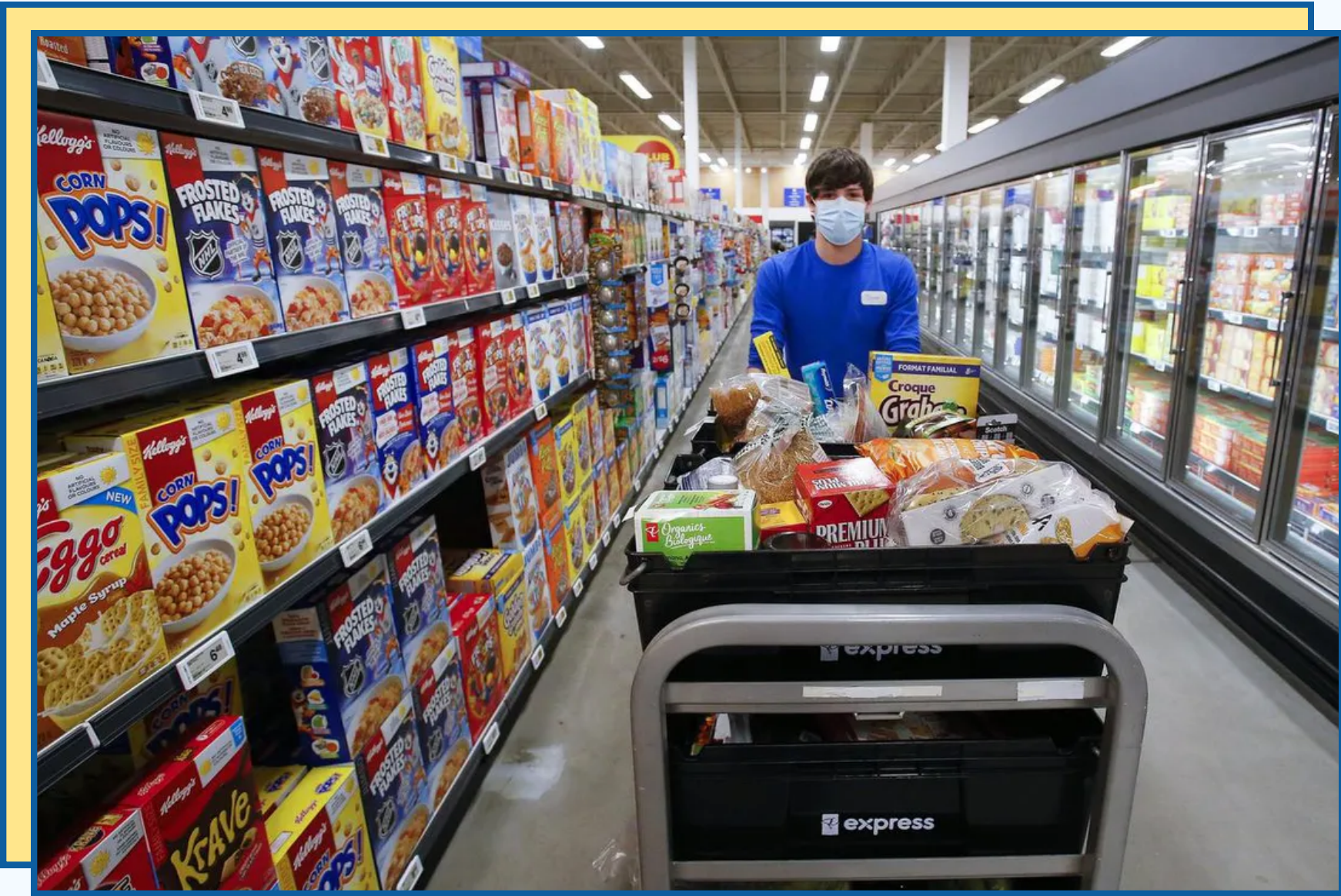
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The most important thing to remember is to be flexible in your concept of a deliverable. Not every feature change needs a fully interactive prototype or a pixel-perfect mockup. Not every research study needs a big report written.

Laura Klein

01 Parallel workstreams: what can happen in tandem?

Usability testing

Design revisions

Content + copy updates

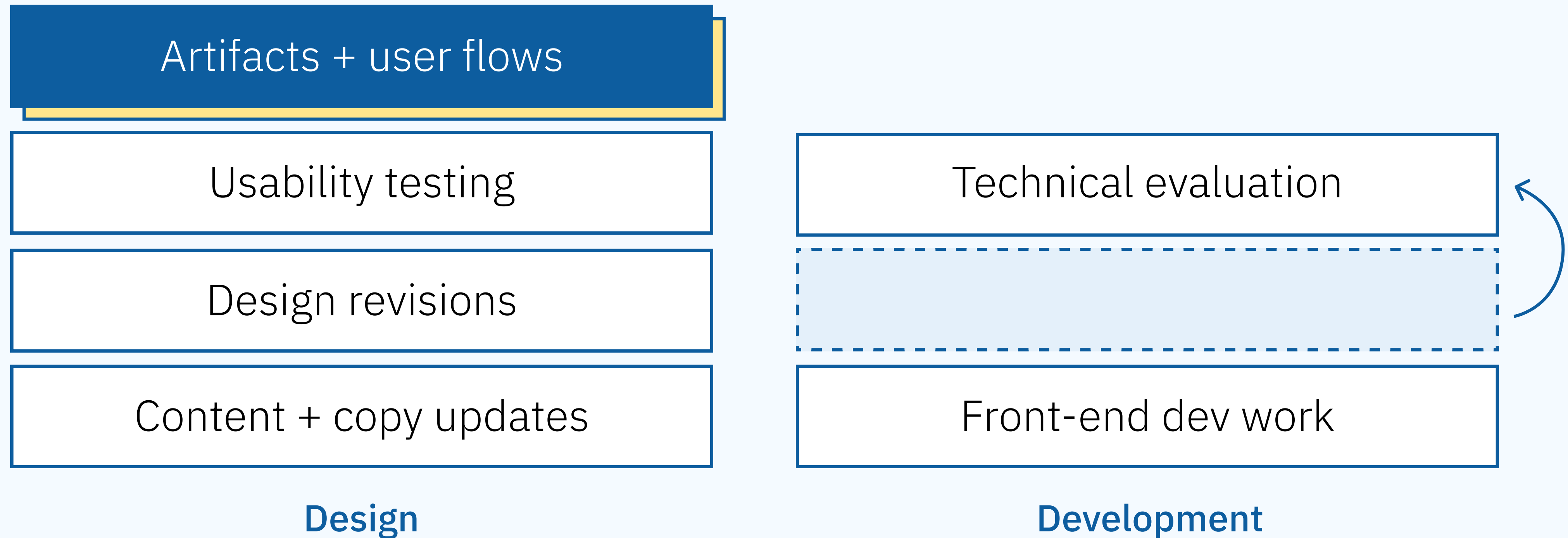
Design

Technical evaluation

Front-end dev work

Development

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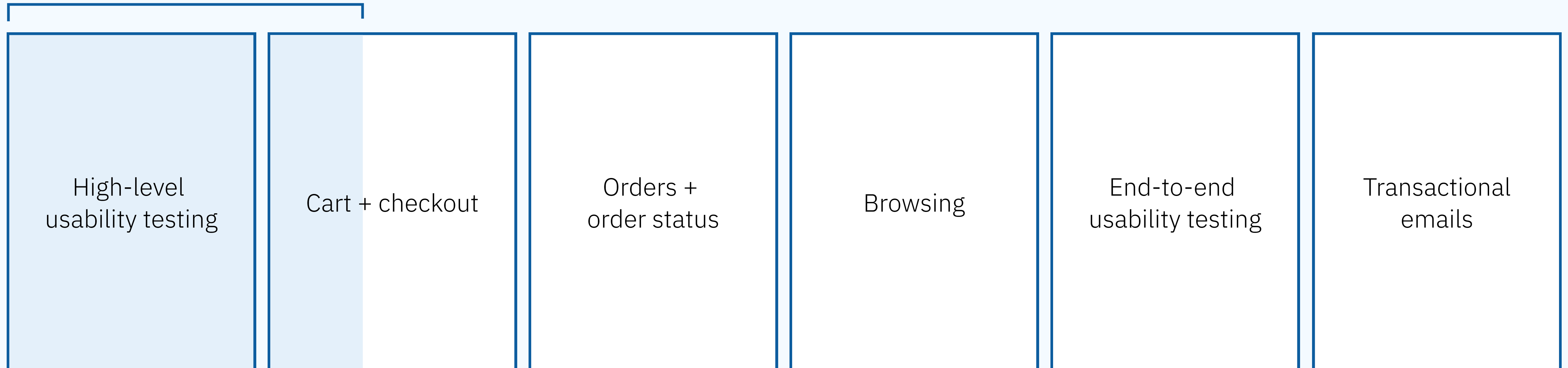


“Yeah, so... can we go faster?”

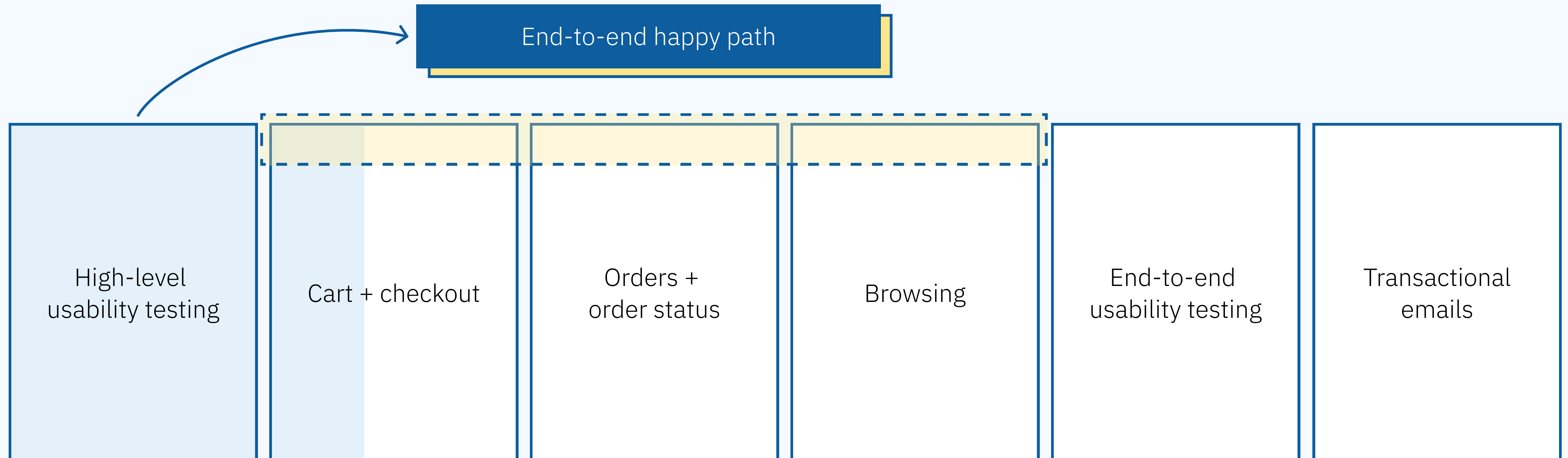


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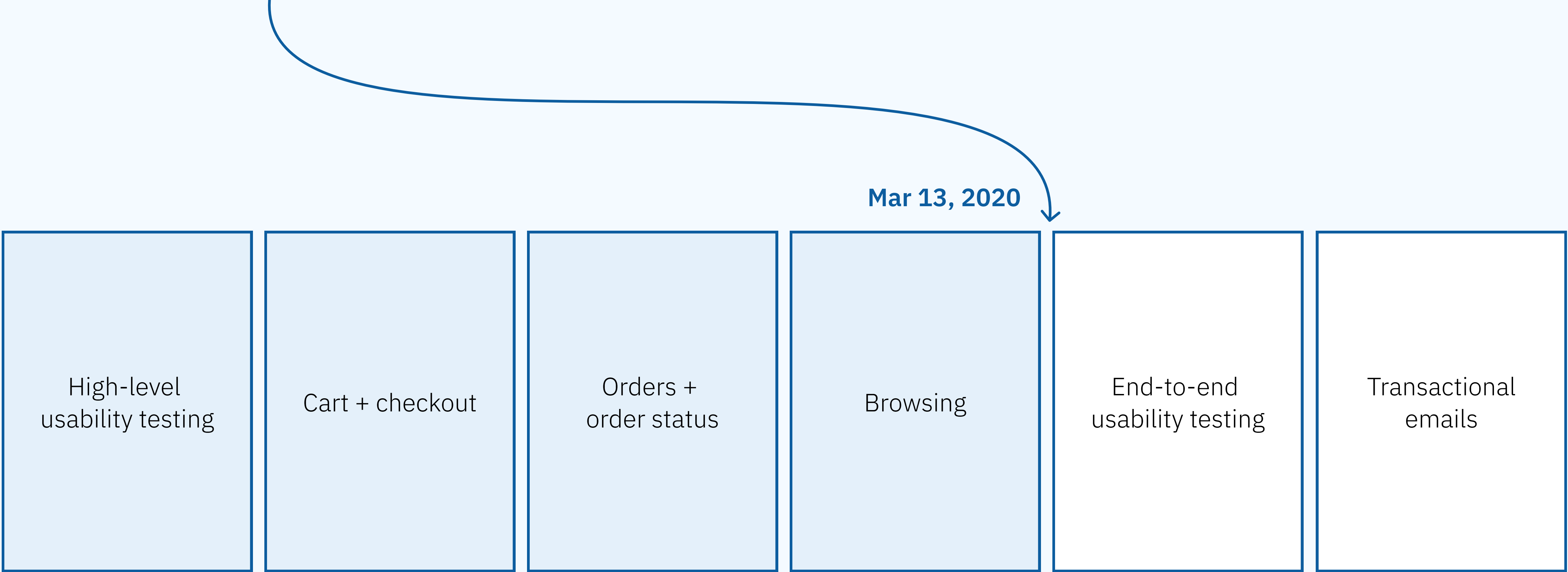
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We were here when the lockdown arrived



What's the **right thing** to do?

Stick to the plan

We will launch after making revisions based on the final usability test results.

Launch first, fix later

Launch an imperfect but usable experience, and add fast follow fixes.

03 Prioritize the human need

When I am in a lockdown due to a pandemic and need food without leaving the house, I want to order groceries online and get them delivered, **so I can stay safe at home and do my part in stopping the spread of COVID-19.**

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People don't use our products for the sake of using them, it's to achieve an outcome. **Our products are simply a means to an end.**

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Thank you!

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