

Path to validation

Covered in this section:

Validating your ideas

- Validation is getting your idea to the point where you establish that there is a real demand for your product
- How well can you visualize that process?
- The difficulty of the validation process depends on the idea
 - Easy to validate: Create protein bars for people on diets
 - You can use a landing page for validation and see how many people will click to buy
 - Hard to validate: Create a new credit card technology
 - You have to prove that customers will use the product
 - You have to convince the merchants to install your system
 - You have to get the online processors to agree to process through your card type
 - They're all interconnected
- Validating means proving your core assumptions about your business idea
- You assume that people have a certain need or problem, or that they're willing to try something new
- Just because your idea is harder to validate, it doesn't mean that it's bad, just maybe more risky
- Also think about how soon you can validate your idea