

The Reality of Launching a Product

Despite the success stories you see online, launching a product does not guarantee customers overnight.

The Harsh Truth

- 99% of businesses fail, not due to a bad product, but due to a bad launch.
- The biggest mistake? Building first without validating the problem.
- In this guide, we'll show you how to avoid this mistake and launch successfully.



A Great MVP Starts with a BIG Problem

Before you build an MVP, you need a BVP – Big Validated Problem.

An idea is just an idea—until you validate that people will actually pay for a solution.

How to Validate Your Idea

(Ask Yourself These Questions)

- What problem does my product solve?
- Who struggles with this problem the most?
- How urgent is this problem?

Example (The iPad)

The iPhone and Mac already existed—so why create an iPad?

- Apple identified a gap: people who owned an iPhone but not a personal computer.
- The iPad filled that gap, creating a massive market.
- Your product should do the same—find a gap and fill it.



Scan the Horizon

You need to validate demand before you build anything.

Two Methods to Validate Your Idea

- Talk to Industry Leaders They know your potential customers and their pain points.
- Engage Potential Customers Directly ask if they would pay for a solution.

Bonus: Build Your Network

- As you talk to industry leaders, you also build connections.
- If your idea resonates, they'll introduce you to others.
- This network will help spread the word about your product.



Build a Community

A founder with a big audience is more valuable than a founder with a great idea.

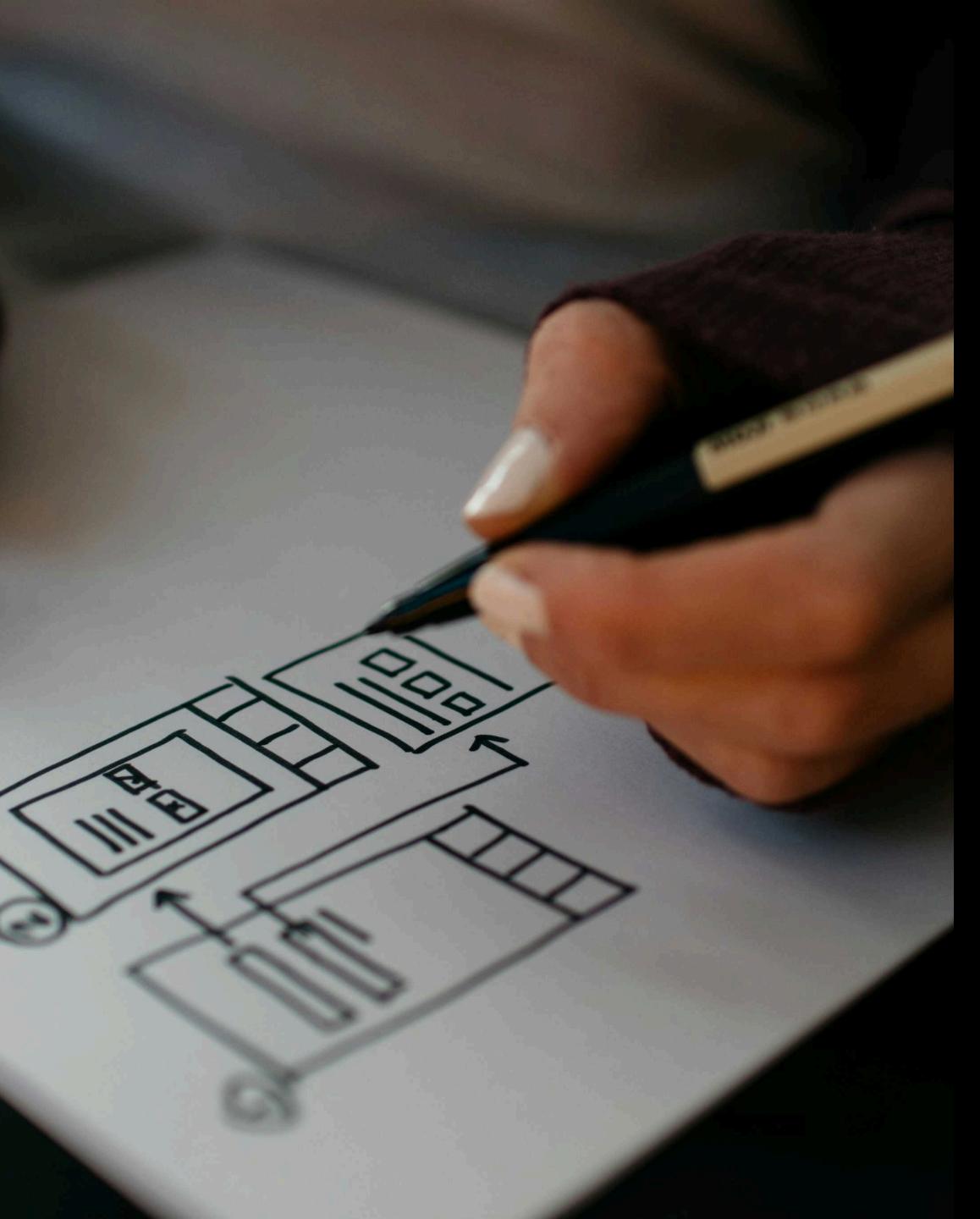
Why Community Matters

- A built-in audience gives you a free distribution channel.
- Facebook grew by leveraging college campuses before going public.
- Instead of relying on ProductHunt or IndieHackers, build your own audience.

How to Build an Audience

- Start a newsletter Share your journey, lessons, and ideas.
- Engage on social media Document your progress, attract early adopters.
- Interact with industry experts –
 Become part of the conversation.





Now, the MVP

You've validated the problem—now it's time to build. Instead of an MVP (Minimum Viable Product), start with an MVF (Minimum Viable Feature).

MVF vs. MVP

✓ MVF: Focuses on one core feature and looks polished

X MVP: Includes multiple features but looks basic

Your MVF should be

- Simple (but highly functional)
- Visually appealing (design matters!)
- Easy to use (intuitive UX)



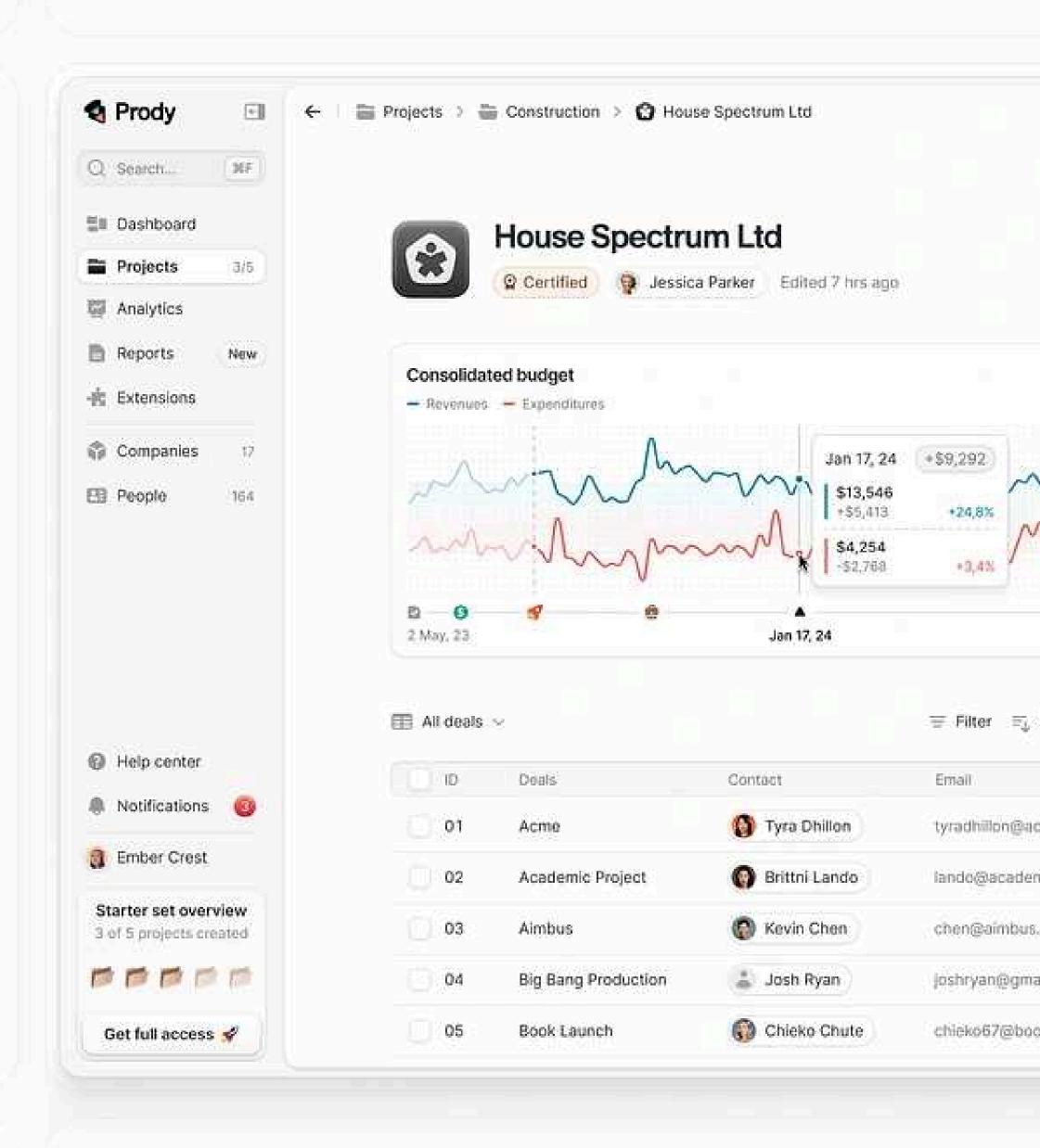
Track the Data

Once launched, your real job begins: analyzing and optimizing.

Use analytics tools like Google Analytics, PostHog or Vercel Analytics to gather insights and iterate based on real data.

Key Metrics to Track

- Where are users coming from?
- Which features do they love?
- Where do they drop off?
- How often do they use the product?





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Your First Users are Gold

Your first users are your most valuable asset.

Do NOT delegate this! Connecting with your users builds trust and increases retention.

What to do

- Personally reach out to each early adopter.
- Ask them why they signed up.
- Gather feedback and implement changes quickly.



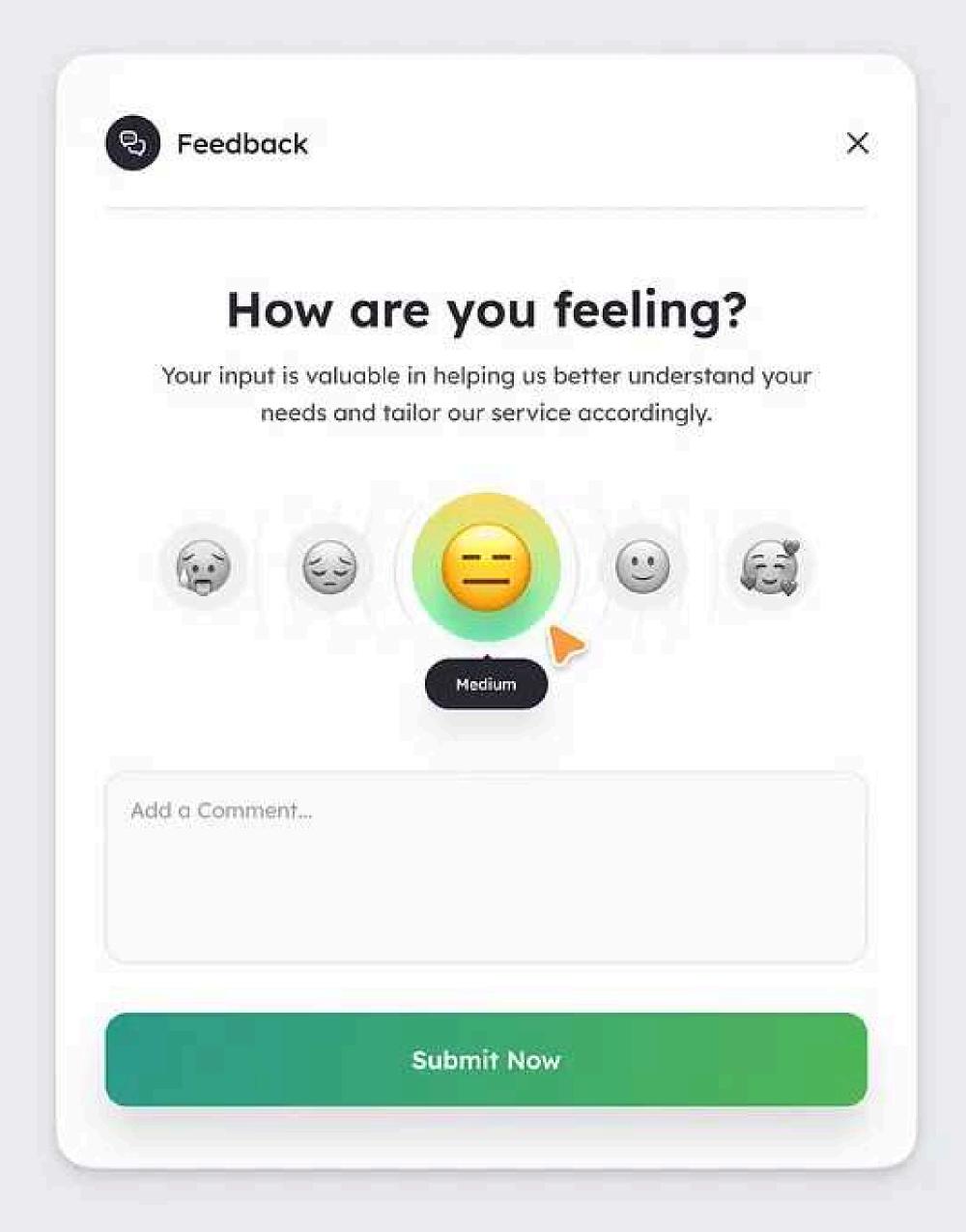
Make Feedback Actionable

Don't just listen—act.

The best founders don't build in isolation. They co-create with their customers.

What to do

- If multiple users request a feature, prioritize it.
- Don't build blindly—iterate based on customer needs.
- Stay in constant communication with your users.





Why We Built Atlas Labs

Like many founders, I struggled to launch my first MVP.

- X I tried to build it alone.
- X I wasted money on freelancers who didn't understand my vision.
- X The process was frustrating, slow, and unpredictable.

That's why I built Atlas Labs.





Our mission

Help entrepreneurs bring their ideas to life—faster and more effectively lf you're ready to build your MVP the right way, let's talk.

Start Your MVP Now

