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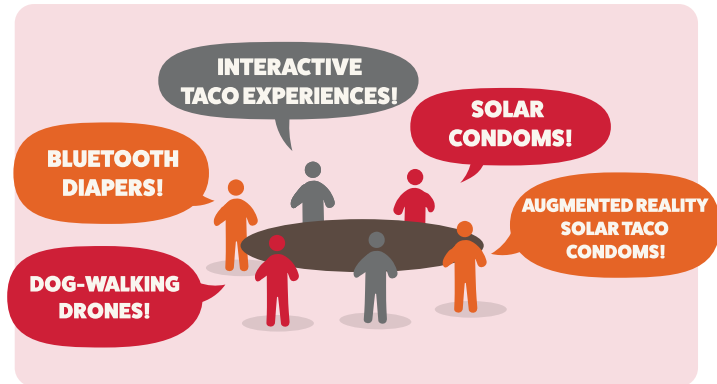
Multiplicative Idiocy

THE SCENARIO:

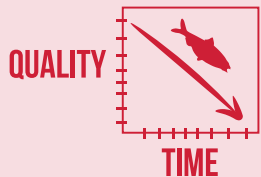
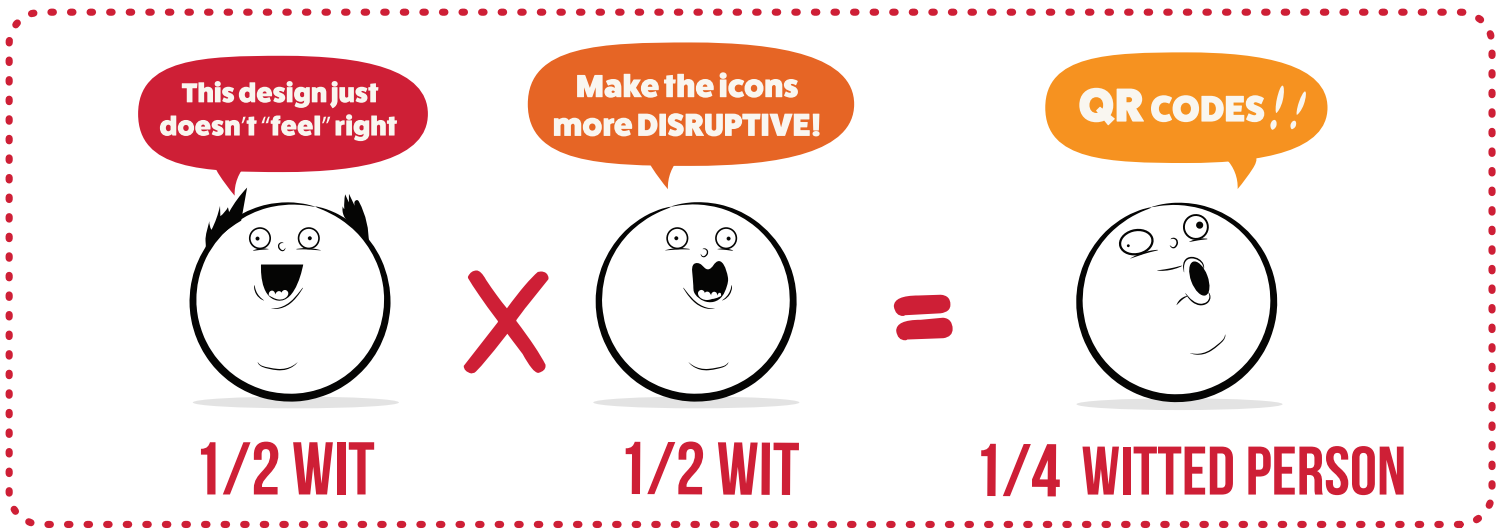
You are in a design meeting with multiple attendees, some of whom make bad decisions.

THE RESULT:

Idiocy becomes multiplicative, not additive.
Two half-wits do not equal a full-witted person.
They equal a quarter-witted person.



$$1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/4$$



TROUTIFICATION:



Keep your friends close and your enemies in your underwear.

This idiocy is further multiplied by the duration of the meeting.
Trying to elevate a group of half-wits by making a meeting longer is like trying to cook a trout by putting it in your underwear and running a marathon.

Avoid the death of good ideas. Avoid the troutification of decency.

IN SHORT:

Stupidity does not cancel out stupidity to yield genius.
It breeds like a bucketful of coked-out hamsters.

Don't let the hamsters win.

Sincerely yours,
-The Oatmeal.

