

EFSPI 2023

**Role of Statisticians in Strategic Decision Making:
My Experience & Perception**

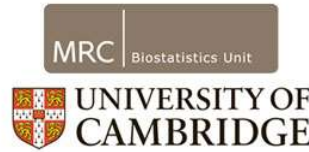
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Scope of the Presentation

- My Career Journey
- Skills Learnt
- My Perception of Strategic Thinking for Statisticians
- Implementing Strategic Thinking: My Experience
- How can Senior Leaders Support & Help Development?

My Career Journey



**BSc
Biochemistry**

2013-2017

**MSc
Epidemiology**

2017-2018

**Research
Assistant**

Sep 2018 – Dec 2018

**Senior/
Biostatistician**

Jan 2019 – Oct 2022

**Principal
Statistician**

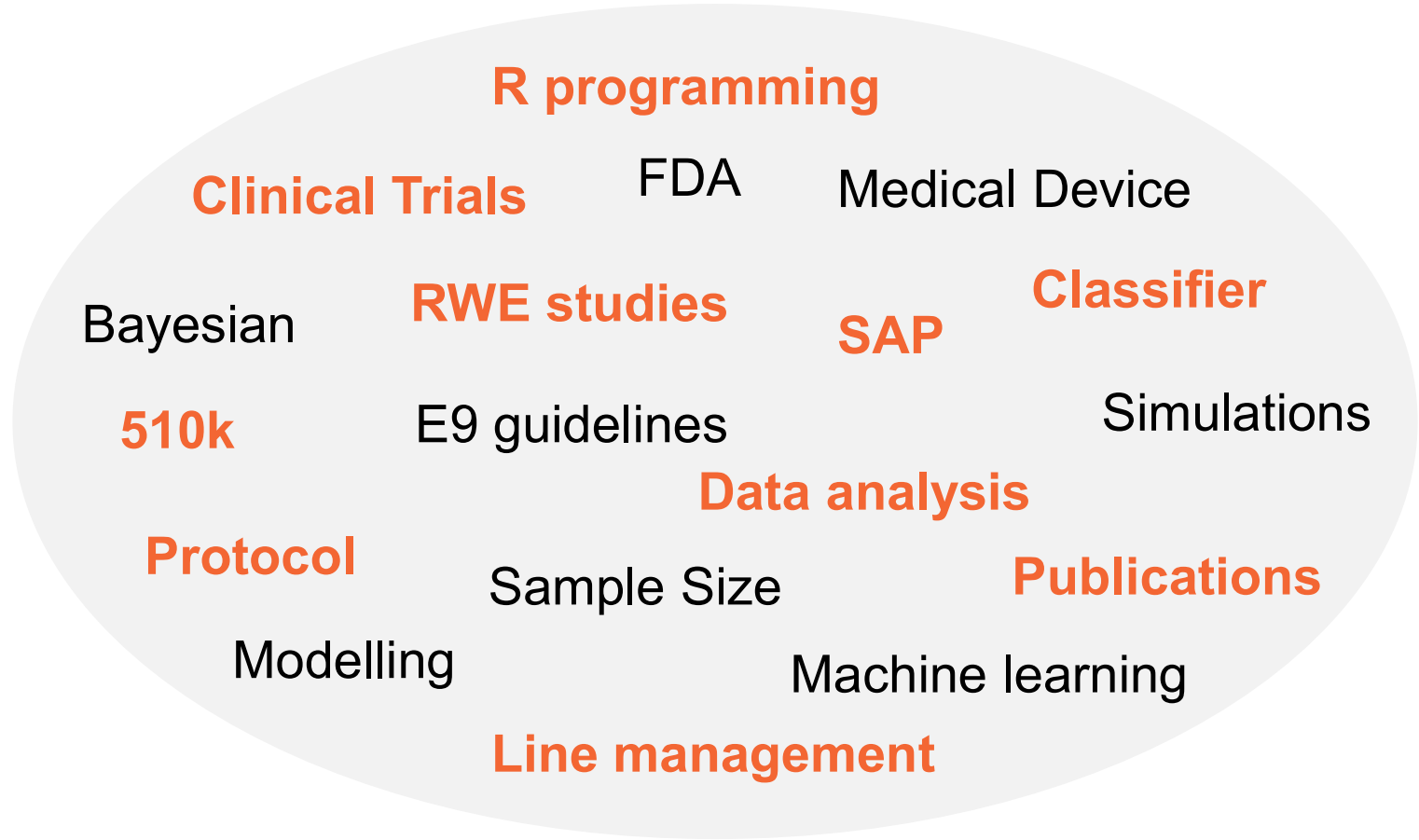
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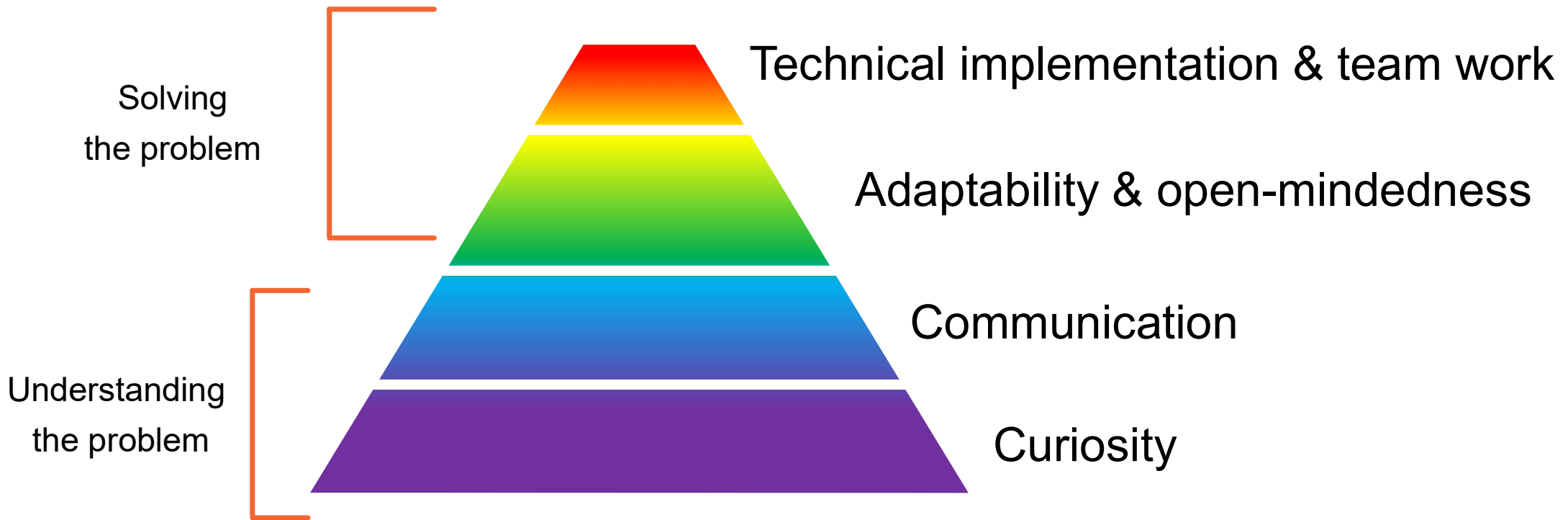
Skills Learnt



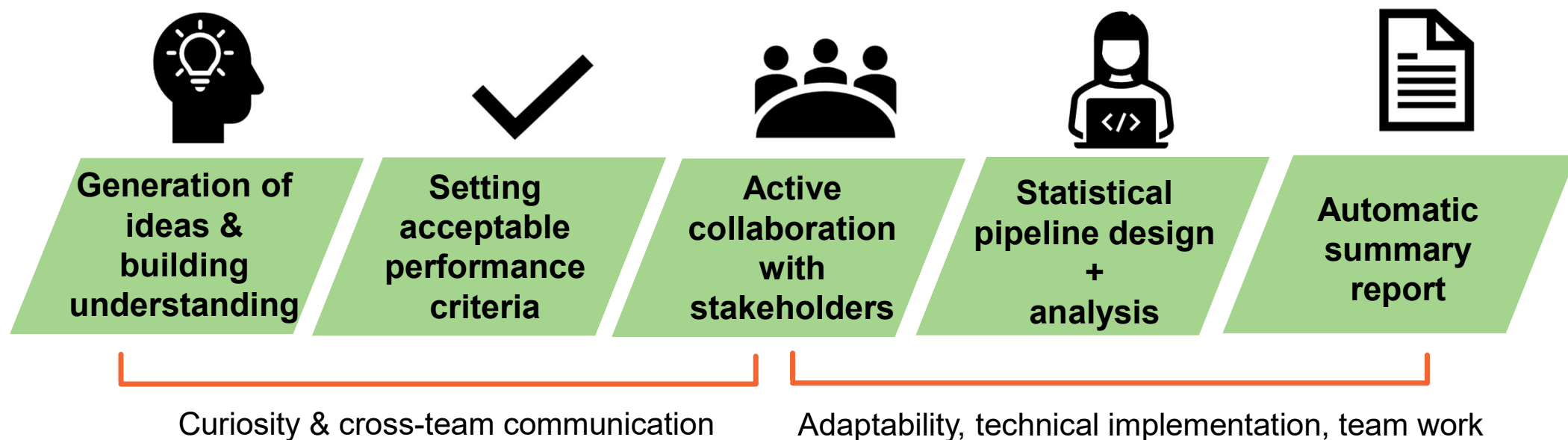
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My Perception of Strategic Thinking for Statisticians



Example: Statistical Lead for Regulatory FDA Submissions



Challenges & Opportunities:

Messy data | Large summary report creation | Time pressure
Managing my Team

How can Senior Leaders Support & Help Development?

- Act as role models and lead by example
- Encourage participation (projects, discussions) and acknowledge contribution
- Create trust & a safe environment for learning (and making mistakes)
- Share personal stories: about challenges, success and failures

Thank you!



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