Designing human-Al ecosystems for flourishing in education, work, and communities

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Three eras requiring different ways in how we live, work, and learn



John Seely Brown







This talk is about exploring, asking, and speculating: **designing ecosystems** for flourishing in a whitewater world

- 1 reinventing education for continuous learning
- 2 societal collaboration to support communities

Two Themes

Education, work, communities

Human-Al interactions



The Journey

How might we imagine...

a more tightly integrated approach to education, work, and community engagement?

Edtech has focused on scaling access to content, but scaling real-world experiences remains challenging





Key Findings

Cengage Group 2023 Graduate Employability Report

Higher Education needs to make a greater connection to employment.

Employers

74% skills training credentials or realworld experiences as most important for entry-level jobs,

<u>Graduates</u>

59% degree program did NOT teach them skills needed for first job

53% did NOT obtain internships, externships, apprenticeships

Communities have growing needs to meet amidst rapid change.





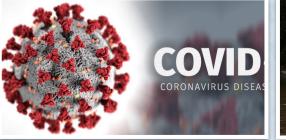










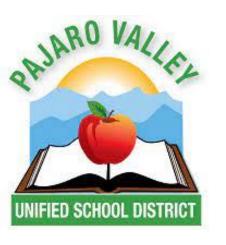


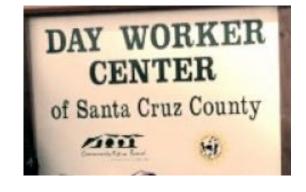


How can we support under-resourced non-profits and social innovators?





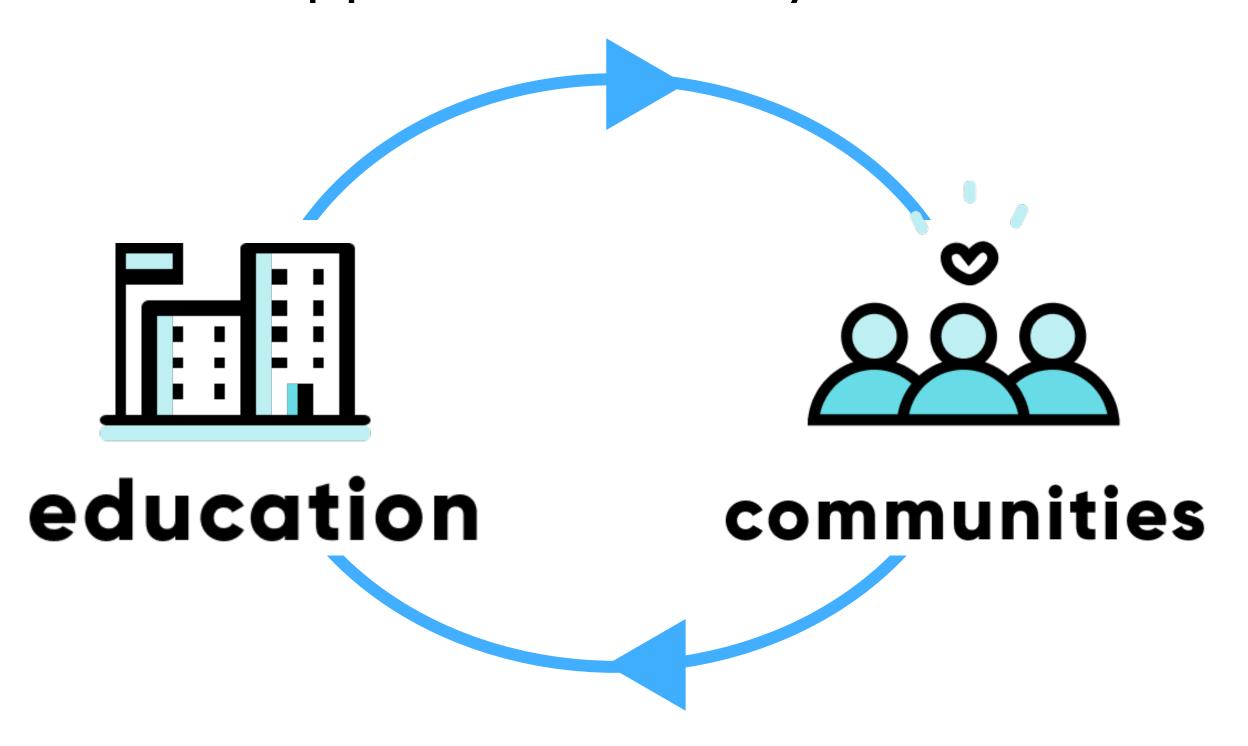








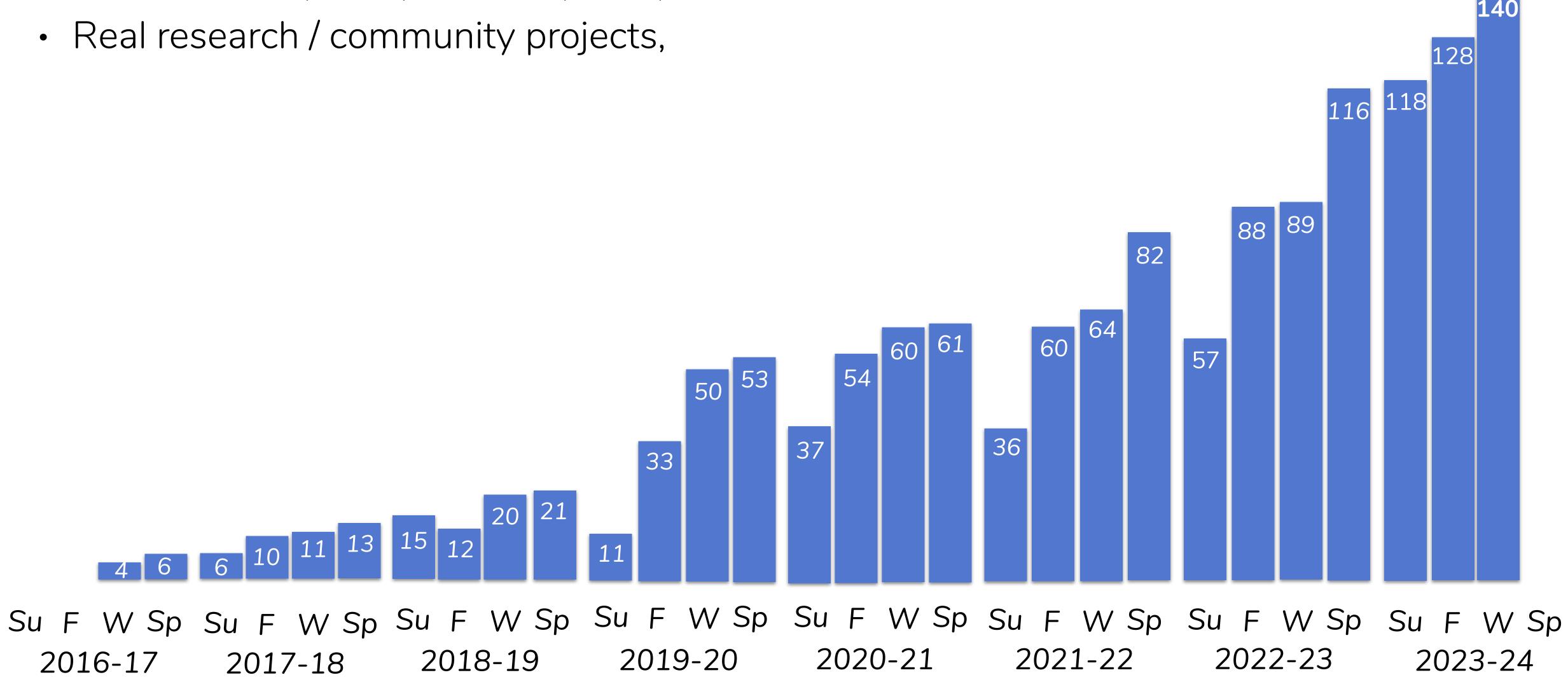
support community needs



provide real-world learning

Tech4Good Collaboratory

- For students at any experience level,
- User research, ui/ux, web dev, ai/ml,



Community Consultancy

Strategic assessment and design exploration

Phase One Landscape Analysis

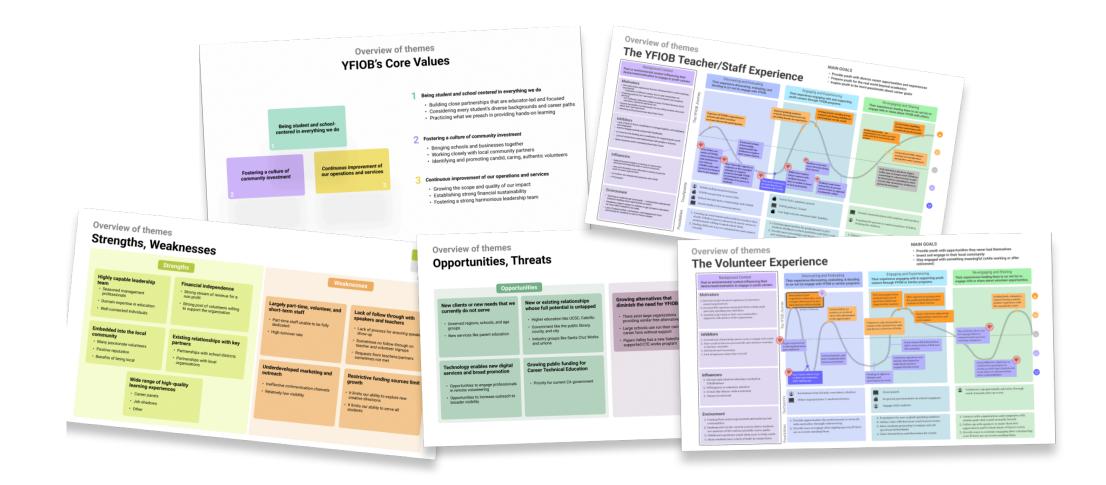
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Phase Two
Stakeholder Experience

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Phase Three
Future State Design

Phase Four
Design Exploration





One partner that all 100+ students in the course are organized around supporting

A diverse portfolio of deliverables balancing research, no-code implementation, and digital prototyping

A foundation to build on in other courses, student orgs, or labs

Idea #1

find ways to make large classes a strength rather than a weakness

How do we scale personalized feedback to a 100+ student class?

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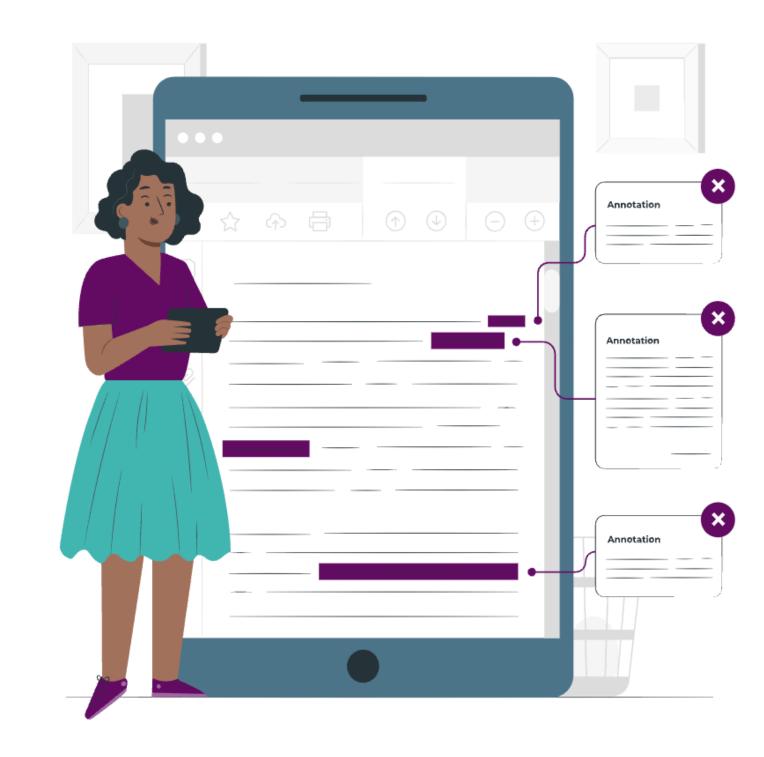
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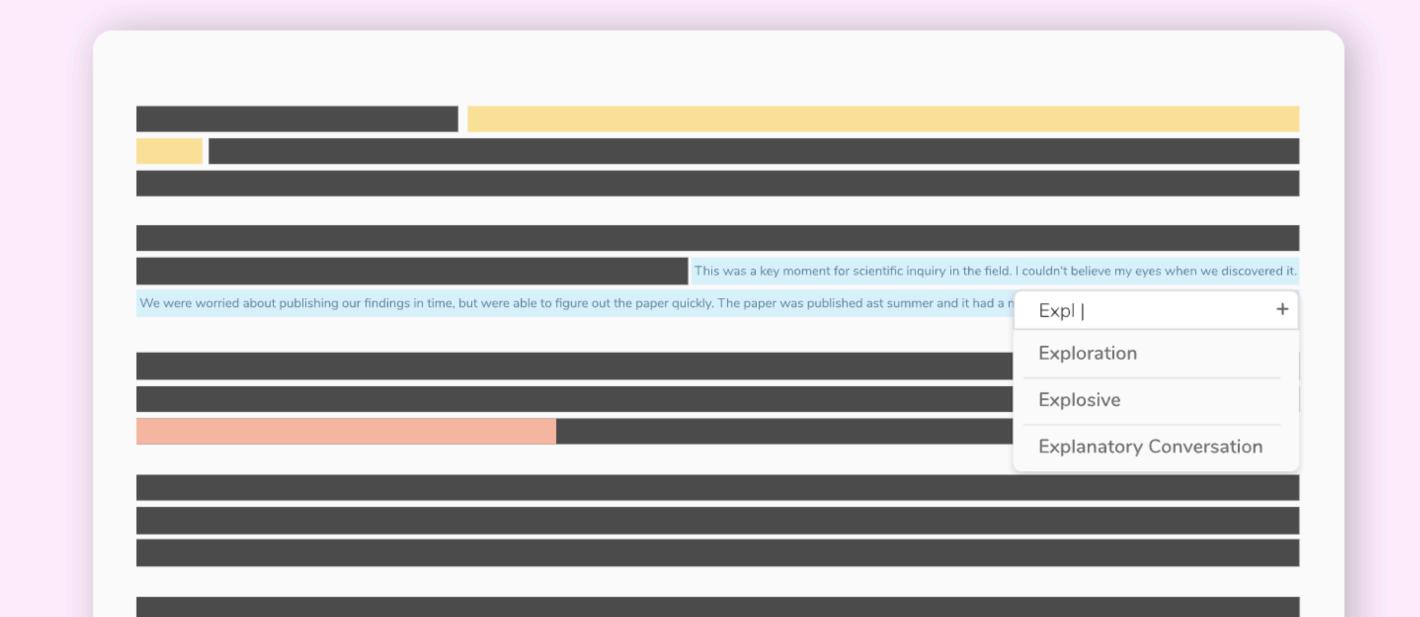
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Learn thematic analysis collaboratively.

Learn to analyze qualitative data, draw patterns, and develop theory in collaboration with others.

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Annotate with ease

Easily annotate transcripts and organize your codes and themes towards discovering patterns and insights.



Transcript Sierra Snow

Progress Round 1 of 2

RQ1 Strengths, Weakness, and Uniqueness

What forms of articulation work do faculty need to engage in to provide undergraduate research opportunities that are successful for both the students and their own goals, e.g. in recruiting, filtering, task definition, and mentoring students?

Submit Annotations

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out 11 100 specifically, could you start by briefly telling us a little bit about your role as superintendent:

And how does that intersect with CTE?

DISCUSSION OF EMMA'S BACKGROUND

Sierra Snow 2:22

How does it intersect with CTE? I'm responsible for overseeing all the operations of the district. And that would

include educational services, and Career Technical Education falls under that. In addition to educational services,

I'm responsible for the business and facility services and transportation and foor and IT and all of those. I'm ultimately responsible for all of those parts. And I have ad services, because before I was a superintendent, I was an assistant superinte a high school teacher and been a high school principal, and Assistant Principal a elementary school principal. And in my early life, I as a teacher, I was also a care high school that I worked at

David Lee 3:28

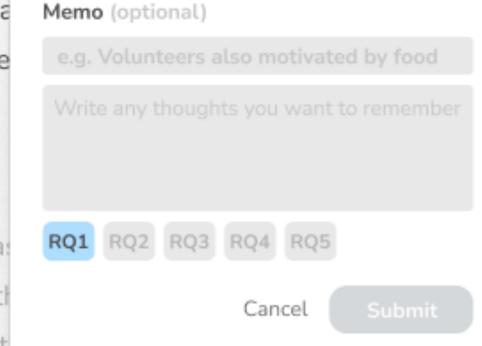
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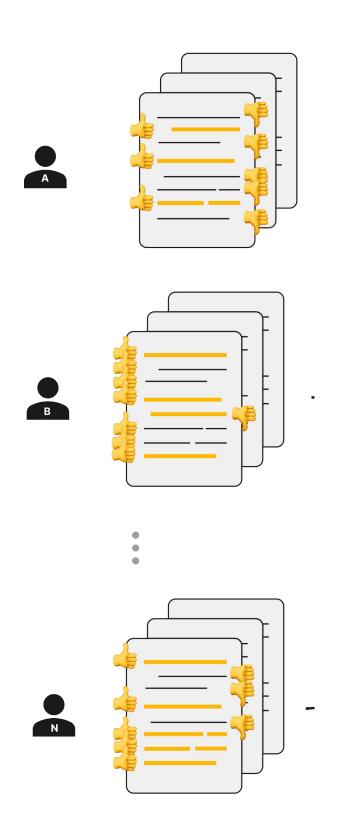
CHALLENGES AND BARRIERS

David Lee 4:50

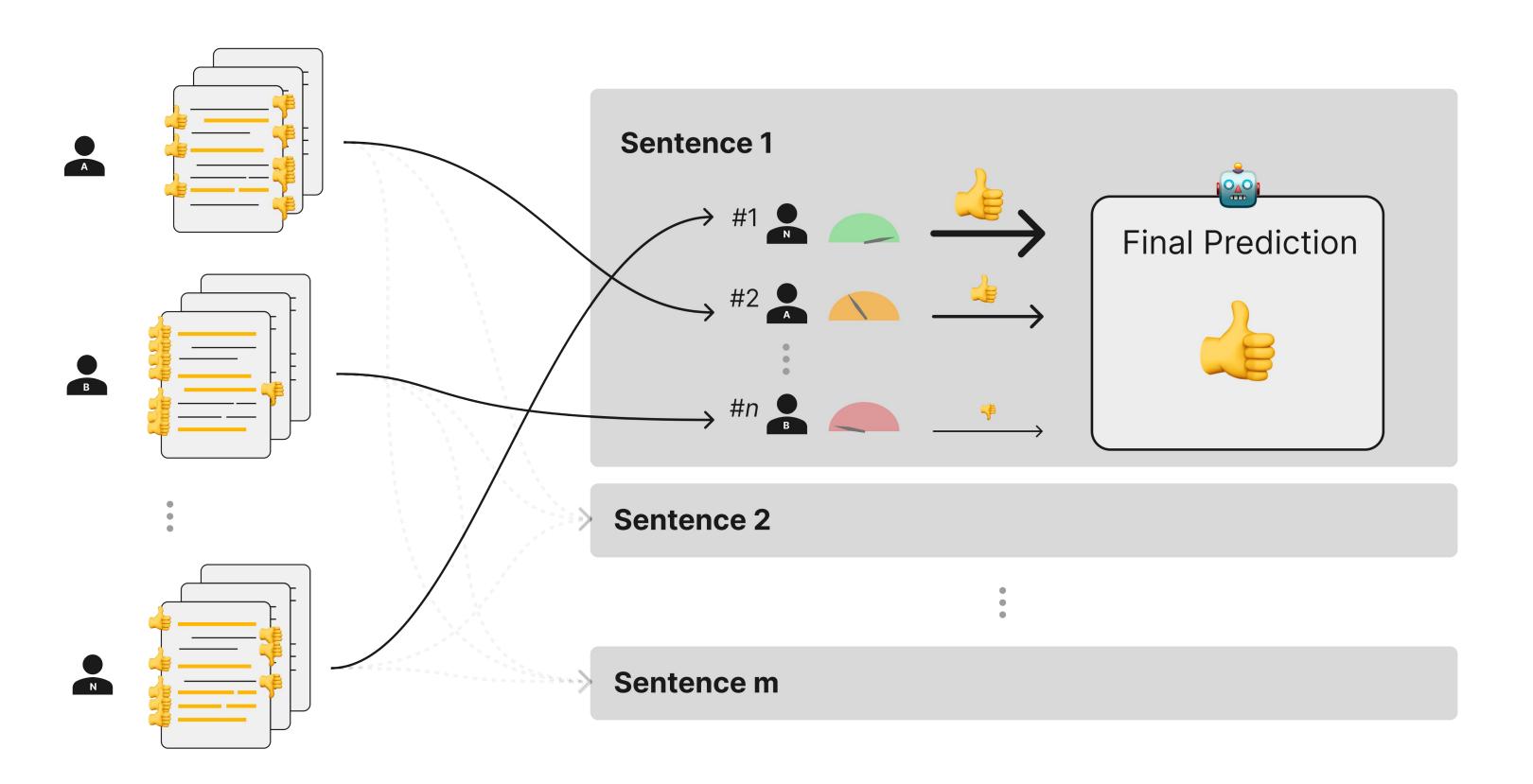
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Memo e.g. Volunteers also motivated by food Write any thoughts you want to remember





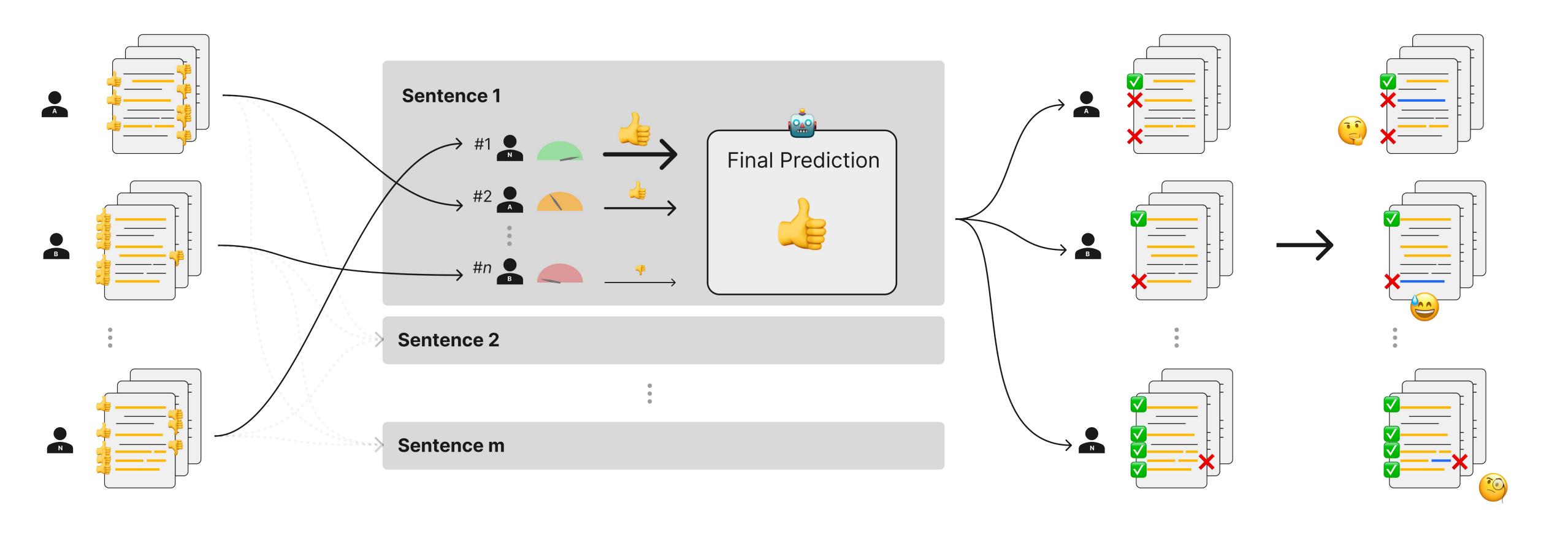
Annotations as 'votes' on relevance



Annotations as 'votes' on relevance

EM-inspired algorithm predicts sentence relevance

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Annotations as 'votes' on relevance

EM-inspired algorithm predicts sentence relevance

Provide personalized hints for reflection and iteration

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Transcript Interview with **Gregory Ramirez**

Current codes (shift + alt + s)

Current Annotations

RQ2: Challenges and Barriers

Education Barrier - Parent/Child: Students need push

Education Barrier - Youth: Barrier of validation

Education Barrier - Youth: Lots of administrators and others tend to put punishment solely upon people that fail

Education Barrier - Youth/Adult: difficult subject

Education Barrier - Youth/Adult: done with school

Education Barrier - Youth/Teachers: work for money

Education Barrier-Youth: Students not speaking up

Social Barrier - Adults: even adulthood has worry

Social Barrier - Parent/Child: Parents dont want to be hard

Social Barrier - Parent/Child: Parents work a lot

Social Barrier - Parent/Child: Sometimes parents are blind

Social Barrier - Youth: students lack confidence

Social Barrier - Youth: teacher is unsure about whats on minds of youth

Challenges and Barriers

What challenges or barriers do youth experience in their education or career exploration? What challenges or barriers do parents, teachers, administrators, volunteers, peers, or others experience in supporting youth in their education and career exploration?

> class what you do? And I was like, Yeah, sure, no problem. So I came and took this whole thing of drugs in there. And it just turned out that I knew that teacher, I knew her from back in the day.

> So I started going, like, for a couple years, I went and I would, you know, take all this drugs, I talk about my experiences and what I've done. And then one day, she was like, 'Hey, how would you like to teach with me? ' And I was, like, Teach with you? Me? I was like, I don't I don't like my kids. I don't like, kids, I ain't trying to teach some kids. And she's like, Hev, you got a great personality.

Will you meet my director? And I was like down at a coffee shop, talk for 30 minut And I think 30 minutes, he's like, Hey, I'n it was that kind of party. So he says, you I don't like kids. I'm like, my kids, I don't You got the personality, he's all We're w like, Think about it, you get to go back to

I think when he said that, that's the poin great. So I got into this teaching thing, the me a credential and walk away. But I act by the end of it, when I actually started me a book. And they said, Go teach. I'm type of guy. So when I asked my co teac she's like, open the book. And I was like started thinking about subjects that that thinking about touchy subjects, subjects mental health is a good one. I developed anxiety, social anxiety, or depression, jus went to domestic violence.

Just, just everything you could think of I lesson plans. So every lesson plan that And of course, my own experiences goir specifically that part of mental health, b badass in life. And it's happened to me,

Atira Nair 18:24

And in terms of like helping students, yo

Code

Social Barrier - Youth/Adults: Ramon had previously not even wanted to deal with children

Memo

no mentors

Many adults shut out kids like Ramon initially did. There is a barrier of I don't think I have anything to teach for many adults.

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Prediction: Not Relevant Select here... Agree ' Disagree Other

what misconception did the hint help you realize? Anything else?

I think this is definitely important because it shows that a lot of adults push away the idea of teaching youth and that is a barrier involving the lack of a variety of adults as a resource for

Cancel

Submit

Viewing peer-based hints

You're done, but feel free to take a look at the generated peer-based hints to make additional improvements if you'd like.

You have 9 hints to review

See Peer-based Hints Summary

Prediction: Not Relevant

Now viewing 1 of 9

0 peers agree with the prediction

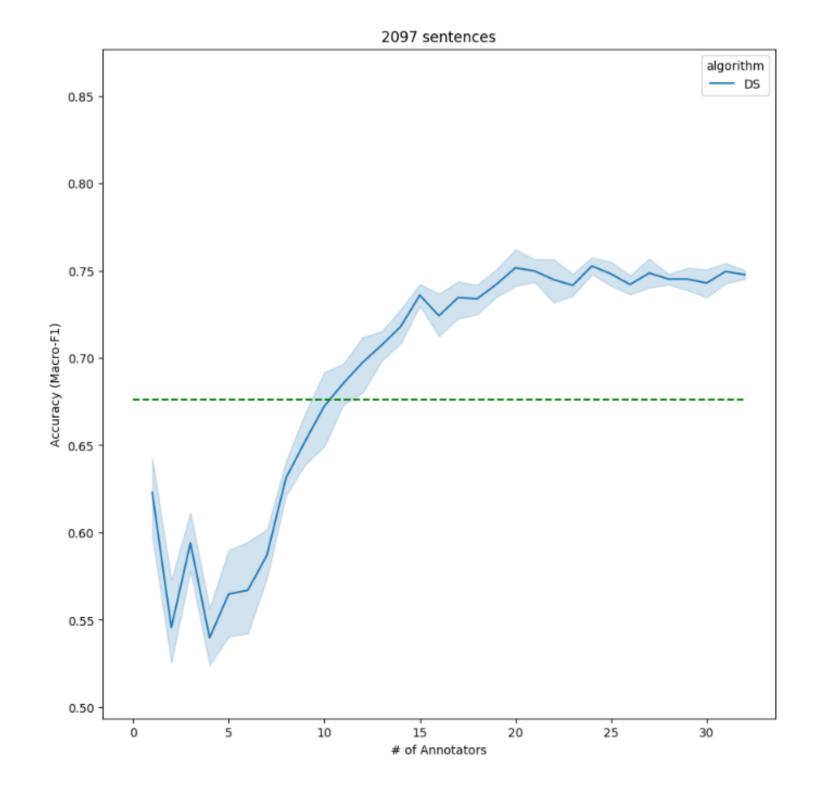
3 peers disagree with the prediction

I think that the feeling of not being smart enough for college is a feeling many students have and discourages them from seeking out those opportunities. Likely because community college isn't as praised as a 4 year.

I felt he stated his thoughts clearly that he felt he wasn't smart enough for college so he took the military route. He tried to figure out where he was in life.

Its mentioning the students' feedback about their futures and the potential concerns about not knowing what to do and not being good enough.

of students identify a particular relevant sentence, on average



With ~15 Students, the algorithm attains an accuracy (Macro-F1) of

75%

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Students found that the hints helped with...

Understanding the research question

"Yes I agree with this [hint]... COVID is not a weakness for the [organization], but like, COVID caused the other financial [issues] that caused the weakness."

Reflective examination of annotations

"[The Al hints] showed other team members' annotations too which helped me better understand the sentences."

Mental models of coding technique

"I didn't expect the AI to generate helpful hints. But [it] actually generates some pretty useful hints... quotes that I didn't even see... It got me to redo the rest of the next interviews in more depth and detail."

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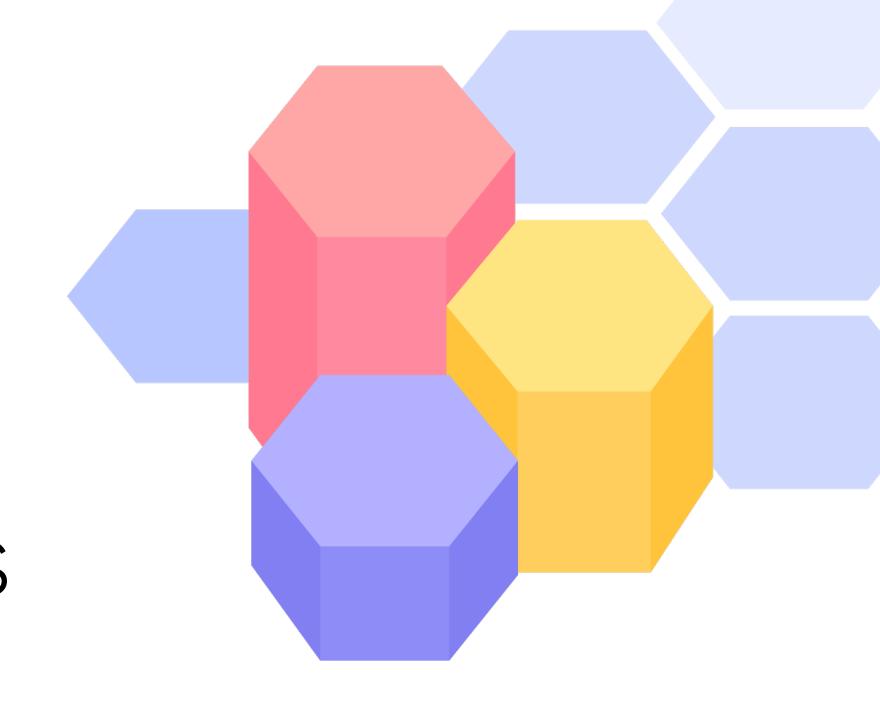
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Idea #2

use and adapt work structures to support experiential learning

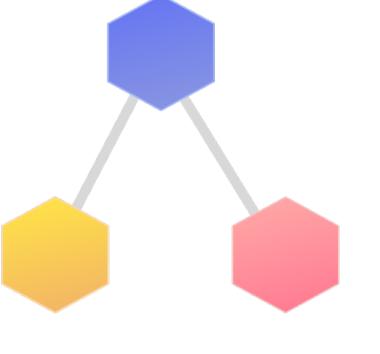
Causeway

Learn real-world skills while supporting community causes





Micro-Roles



Projects



Causes





Introduction to Causeway

Web Development:

Elements Developer

Responsible for identifying, implementing, and styling elements within a given low-level component using HTML and CSS styling attributes.

CURRENT LEVEL

Basic

Advanced

Continue project →

Web Development:

Layout Developer

Responsible for laying out elements within a given low-level component using CSS layout attributes.

CURRENT LEVEL

Basic

Advanced

Give me a project! →



The Layout Developer Role

Your responsibility is to position the elements constructed by the elements developer to achieve the desired layout. You will do this by repeatedly laying out groups of elements vertically and horizontally.

Your Role

Your Project

Intro to Flexbox Based Positioning

You will be using flexbox-based positioning to create your layout. Read a quick overview before getting started.

Read Guide

Create a Container for the Component

Start by creating a container div for the entire component. If the component has a border or background color, style the new div accordingly.

Read Guide

Let's Do It!

Partition Elements into Vertical or Horizontal Groups

Partition the elements into a set



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Partition Elements into Vertical or Horizontal Groups

Now that we have created and styled the container, the next step is to partition all the individual elements into a set of groups that can be arranged vertically or horizontally. We will enclose each of these groups in an opening and closing set of <div> tags, add a class attribute to each tag, and then apply CSS properties that set the layout direction of the groups and their wrapping behavior.

Partition the elements into a set of groups and enclose them in div tags. Partition the elements into a set of groups. Groups may be chosen because they share a border or background color, or because they are a logical unit. Additionally, the set of groups must either all be laid out vertically or horizontally (with wrapping allowed). In your HTML file, nest each group of elements inside an



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Step 2 of 7

Partition Elements Into Vertical or Horizontal Groups

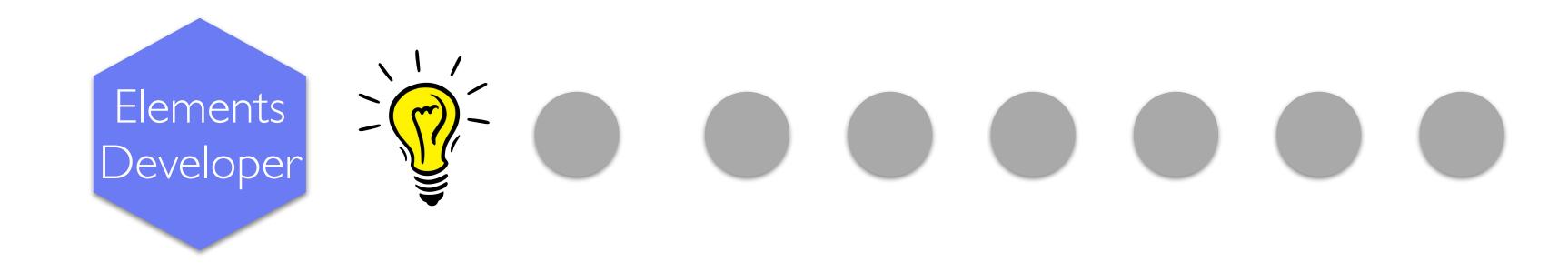
It's time for you to take what you just learned to partition the elements within your component into groups that can be arranged vertically or horizontally.

- 1 Partition the elements into a set of groups and enclose them in div tags
- (2) Nest the CSS child selectors to match

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Complete >

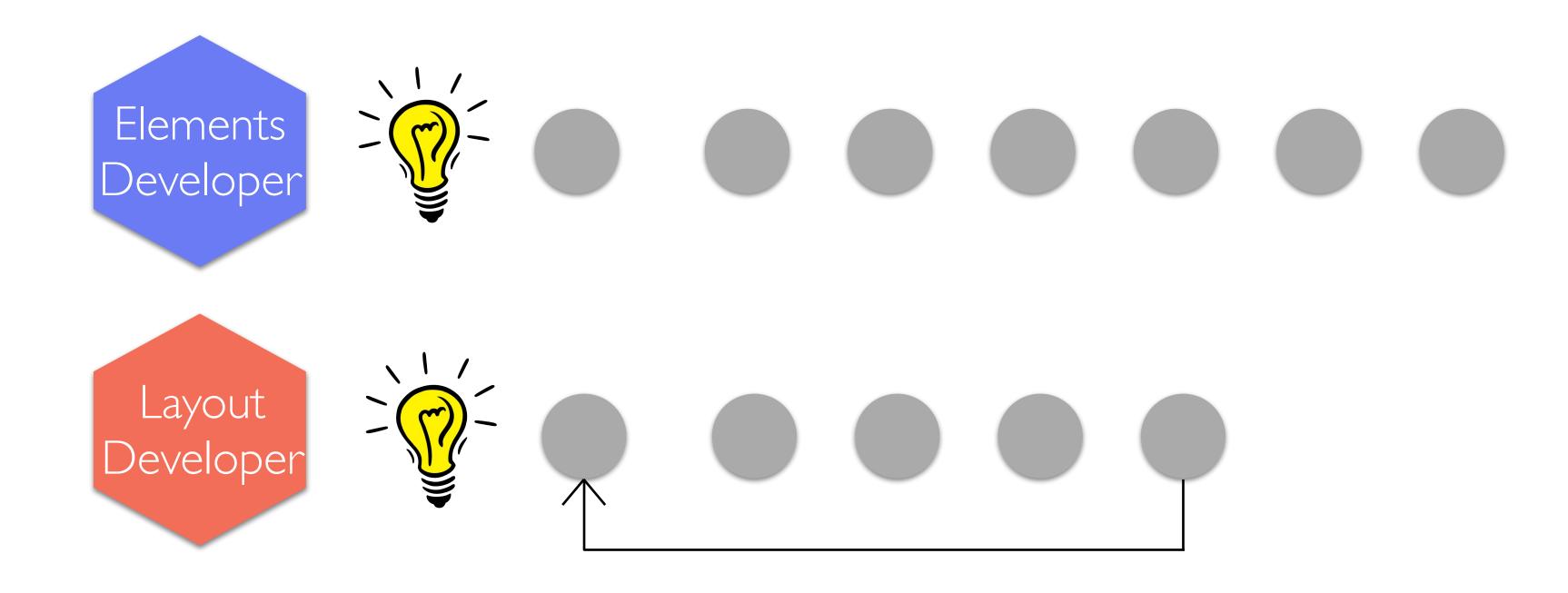
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HTML Code
                           Code Preview
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Causeway: Scaling Situated Learning via Micro-Role Hierarchies

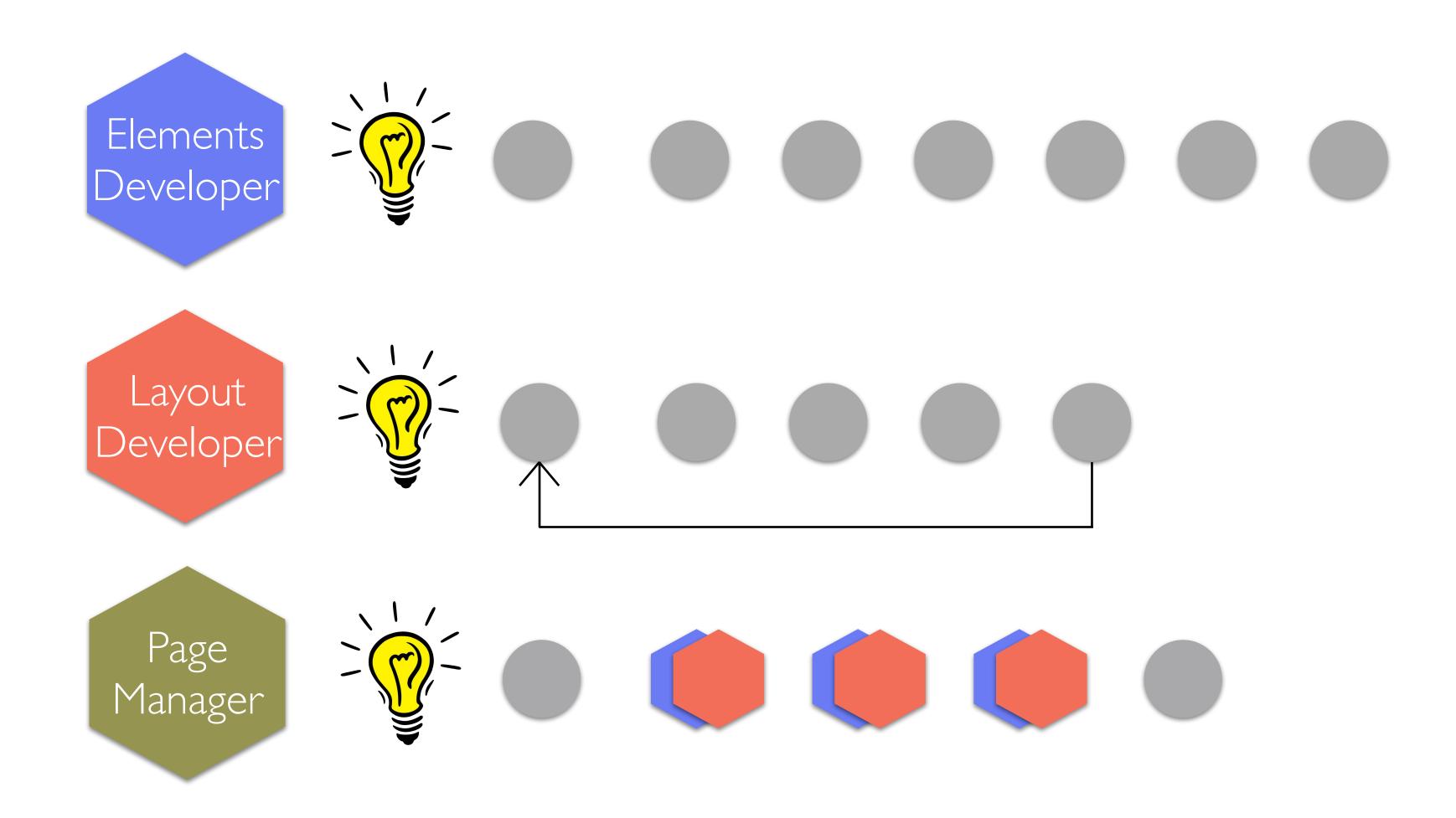
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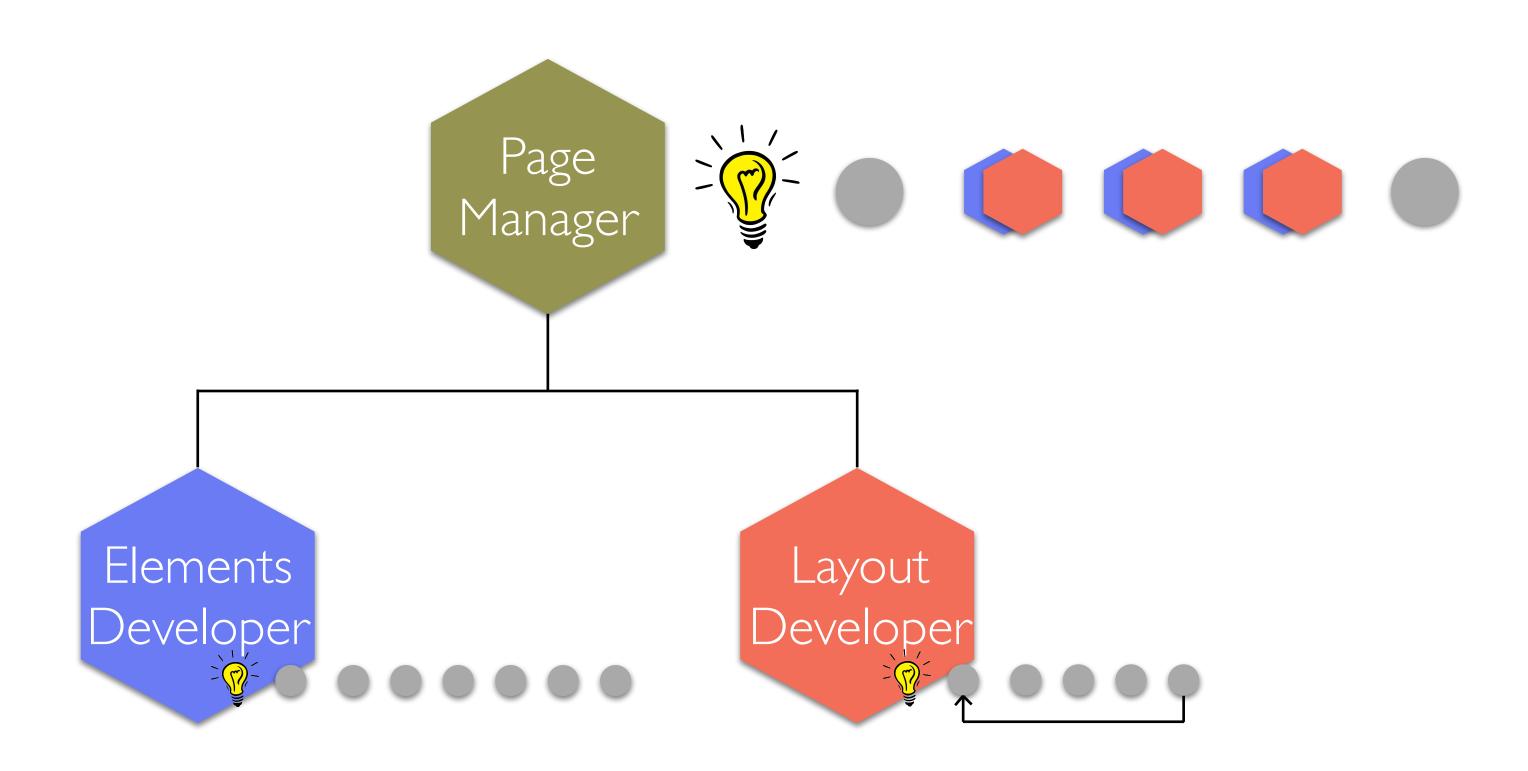


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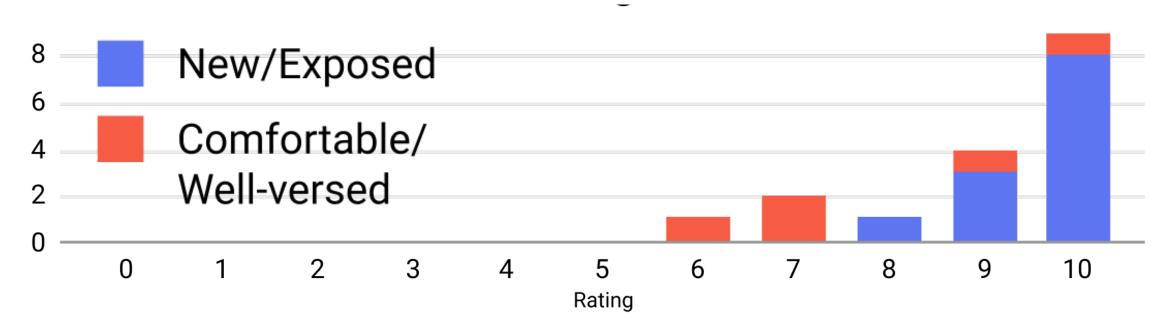


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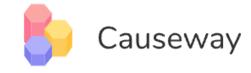
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Likelihood of recommending



"The ability to learn the concepts in such a way that they are applied quickly, and then practiced on pages for real-world use is rewarding, and makes the material stick better."

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Intro to the Container Events Role

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Containers: Observable Events (Quarter Goals)

Now that we have retrieved and bound data from the backend to the view, you can learn to handle events in the *Containers: Observable Events* role.

What you will be doing and learning

You will continue to build on what you learned in the *Containers:*Observable Data role about <u>functional reactive programming</u> and

RxJS for event binding.

Step-by-step process

We will first introduce you to Event Streams and Subjects, then teach you how to define, bind, and handle event streams in your container:

- Intro to Event Streams and Subjects
- Implement event streams with Subjects: openEditModal\$
- Implement event streams with Subjects: saveGoals\$

Next: Intro to Event Streams and Subjects



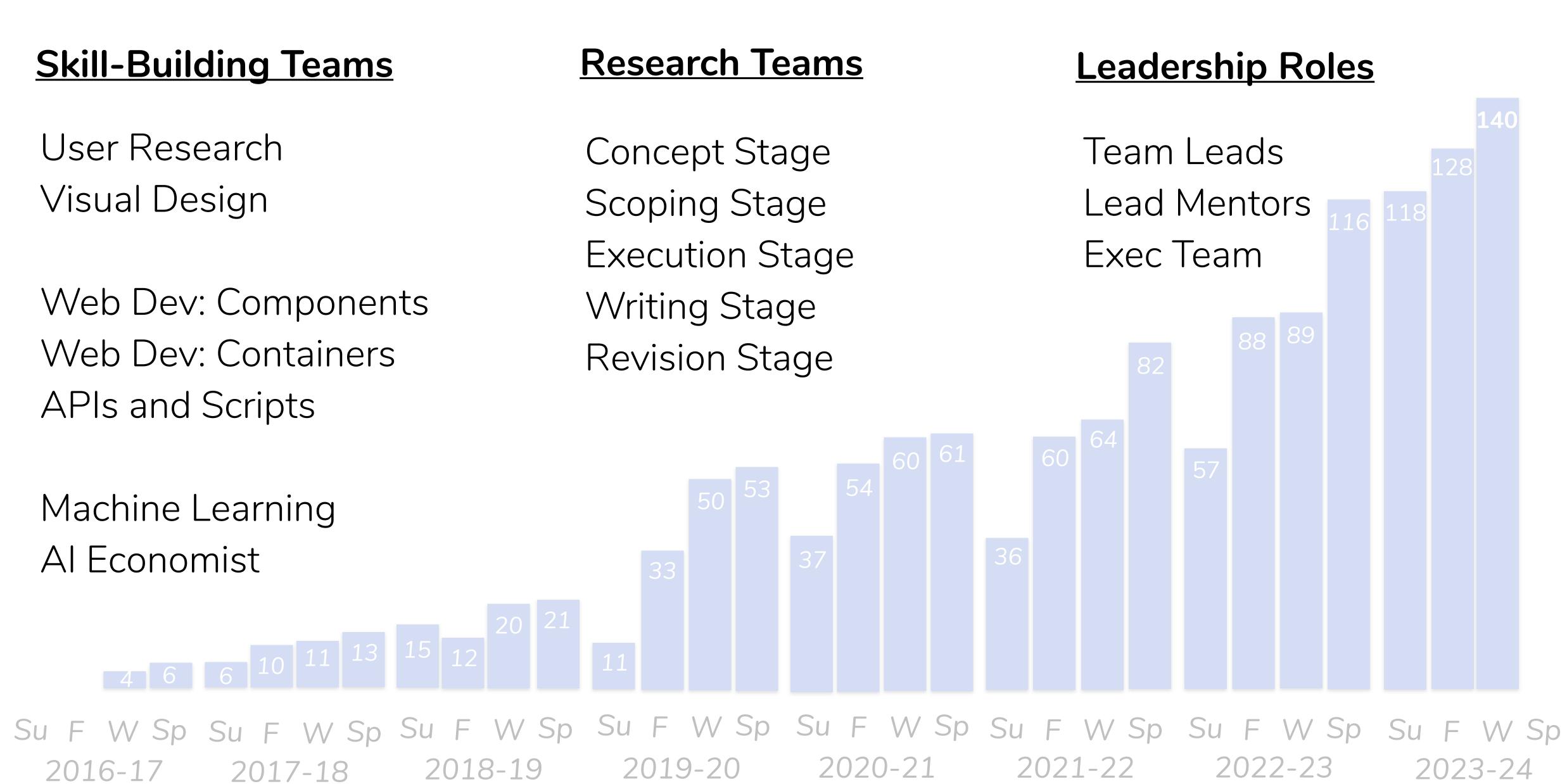
Winter '24 Goals

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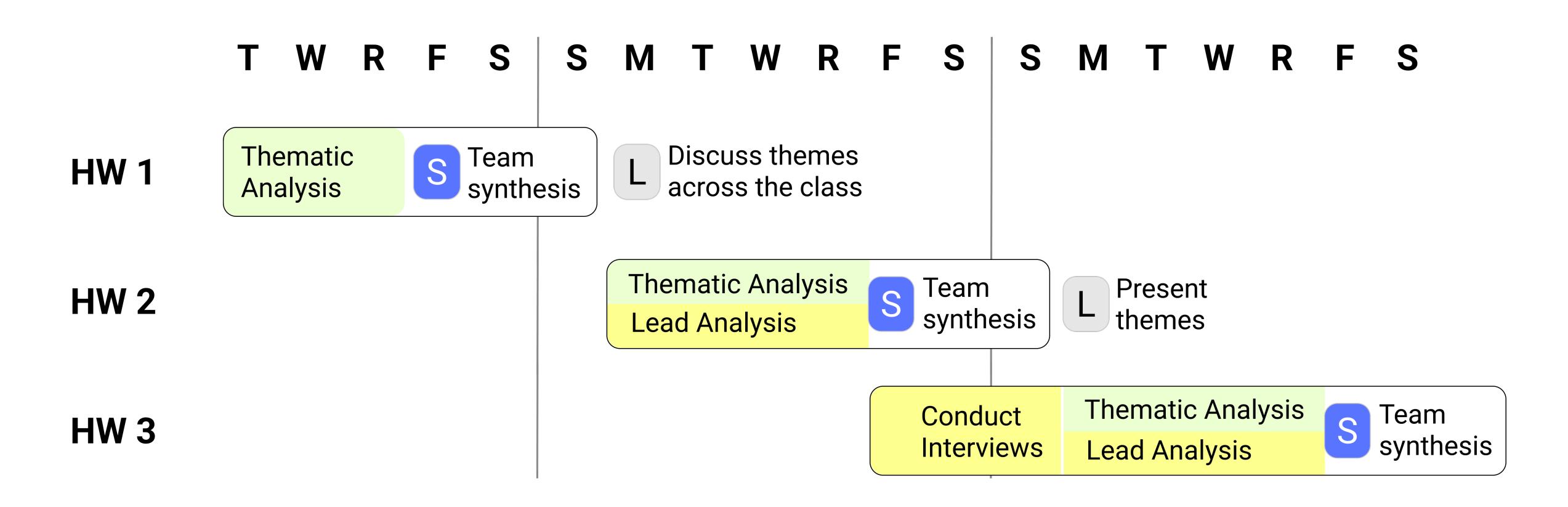
- Finish cover letters
- 2 Apply to internships
- Technical interview prep!



Tech4Good Collaboratory Structure



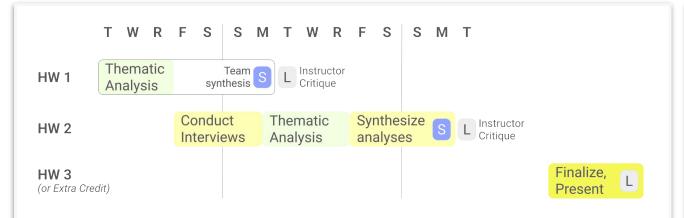
Micro-Role Structure for Thematic Analysis in Project Class

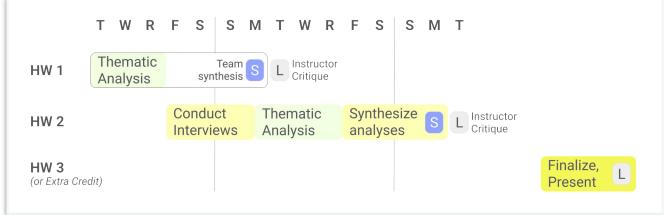


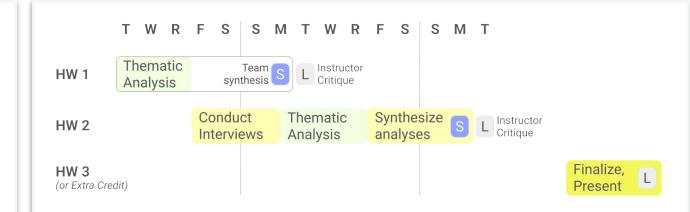
Business Strategy and Information Systems

Human-Centered Design Research

Web and Mobile Applications



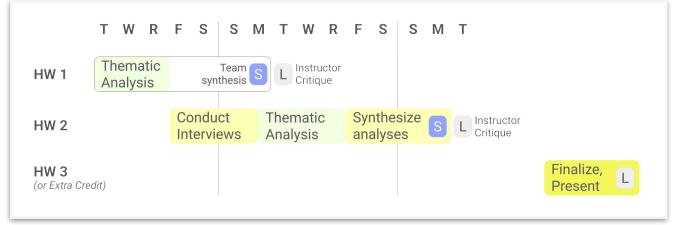


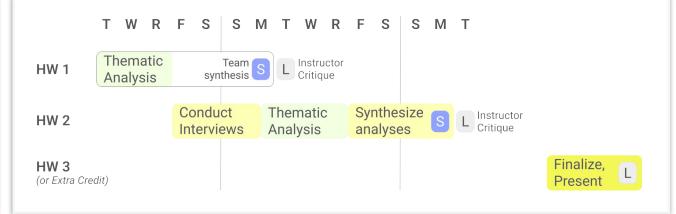


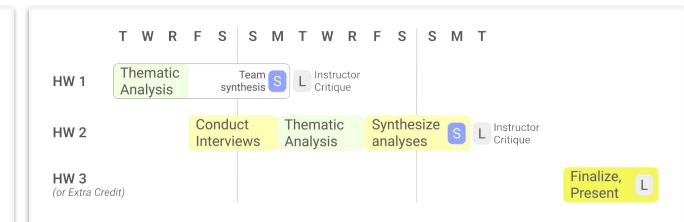




Leadership and Management



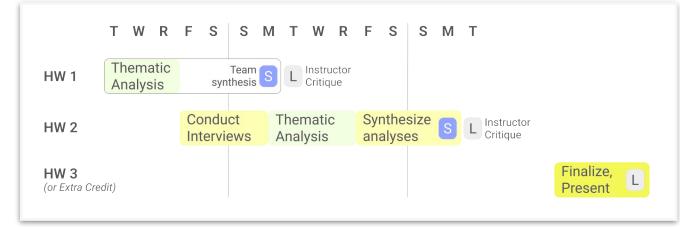


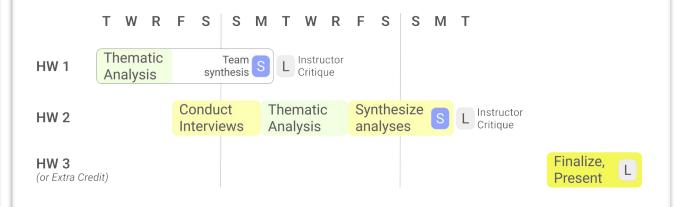


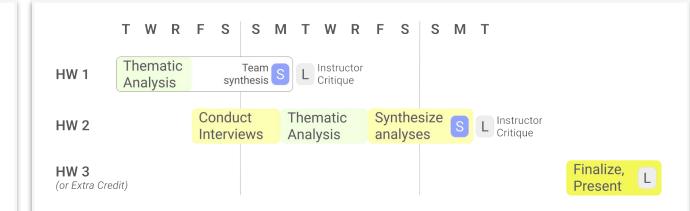
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In the past, we learned in order to work. Now we must work to continuously learn.

Heather McGowan

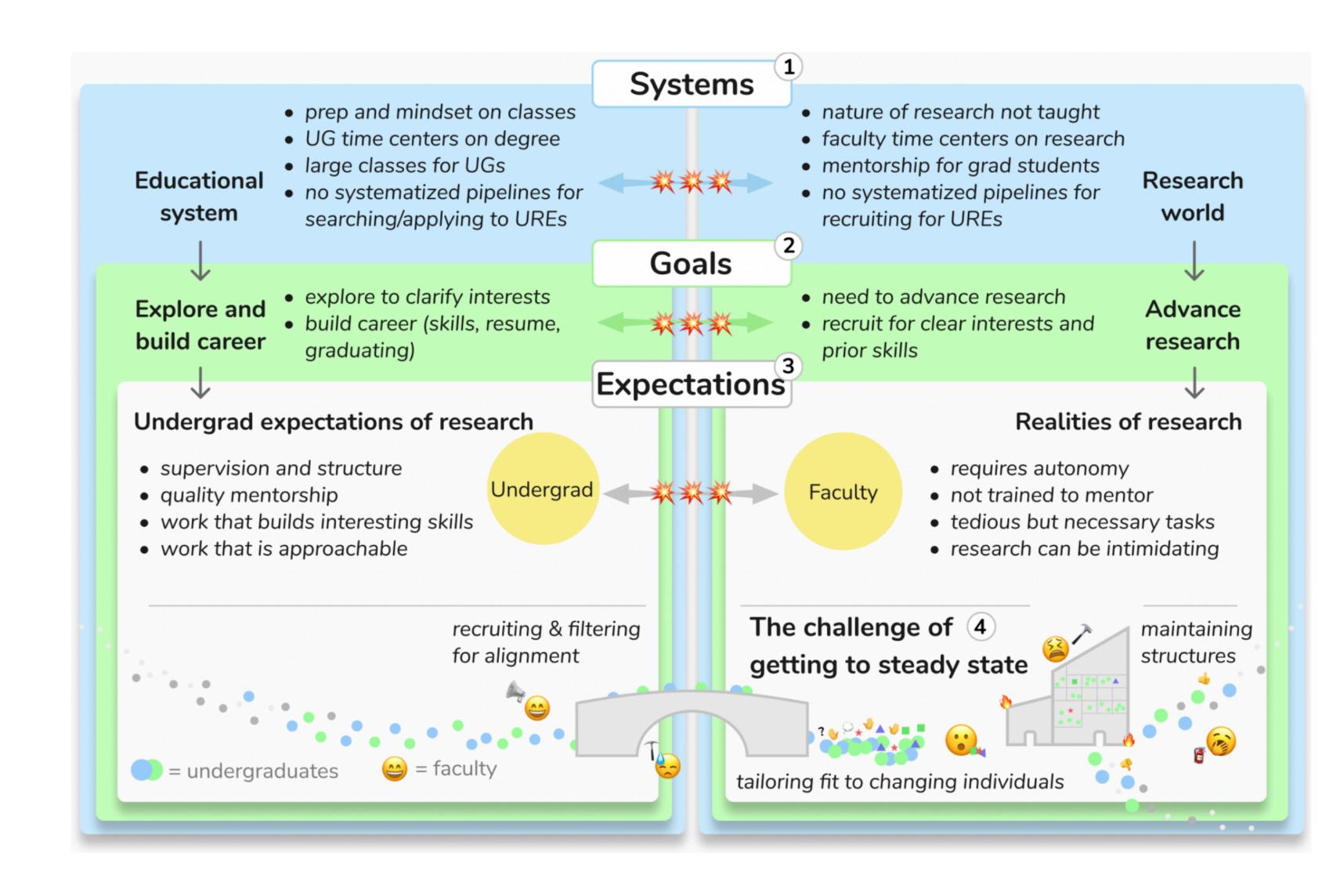
Co-author of The Adaptation Advantage

Idea #3

develop easy-toengage experiences that build relationships

Barriers to undergrad research experiences

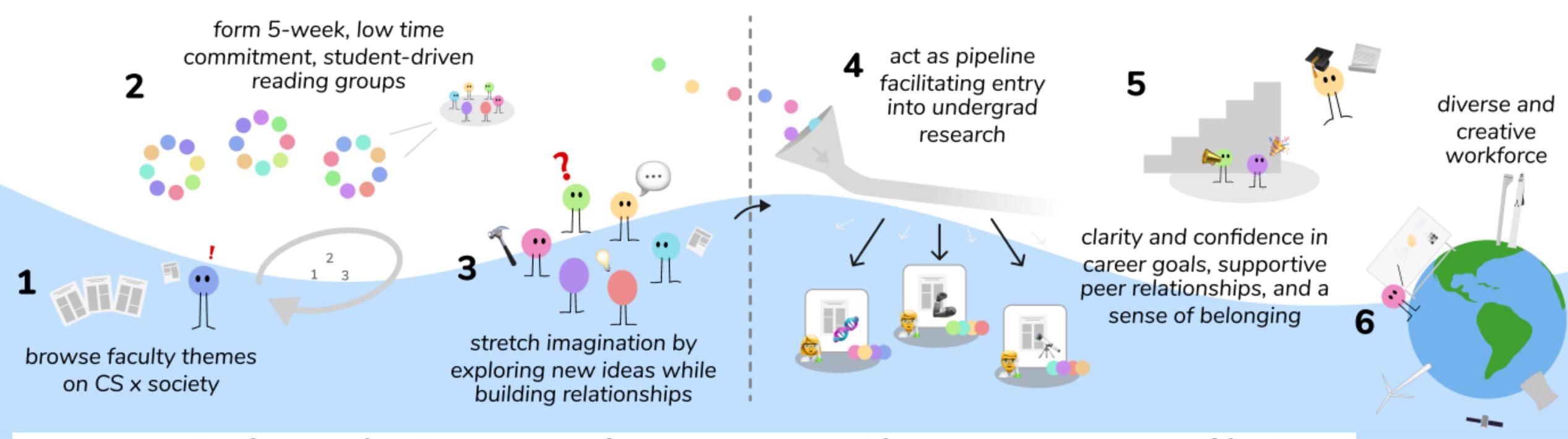
- misaligned systems,
 goals, and expectations,
- significant time required to continuously create and maintain alignment.



"It's usually not worth the effort unless you get really lucky": Barriers to Undergraduate Research from the Perspective of Computing Faculty Rhea Sharma, Atira Nair, Ana Guo, Dustin Palea, David T. Lee ACM Conference on International Computing Education Research (ICER) 2022

Exploratory Reading Groups

Fostering creative, relational, and student-driven exploration and establishing pipelines into undergraduate research experiences



Exploratory Reading Groups: A Scalable Approach to Creative, Relational, and Student Driven Exploration in CS Education Dustin Palea, David T. Lee

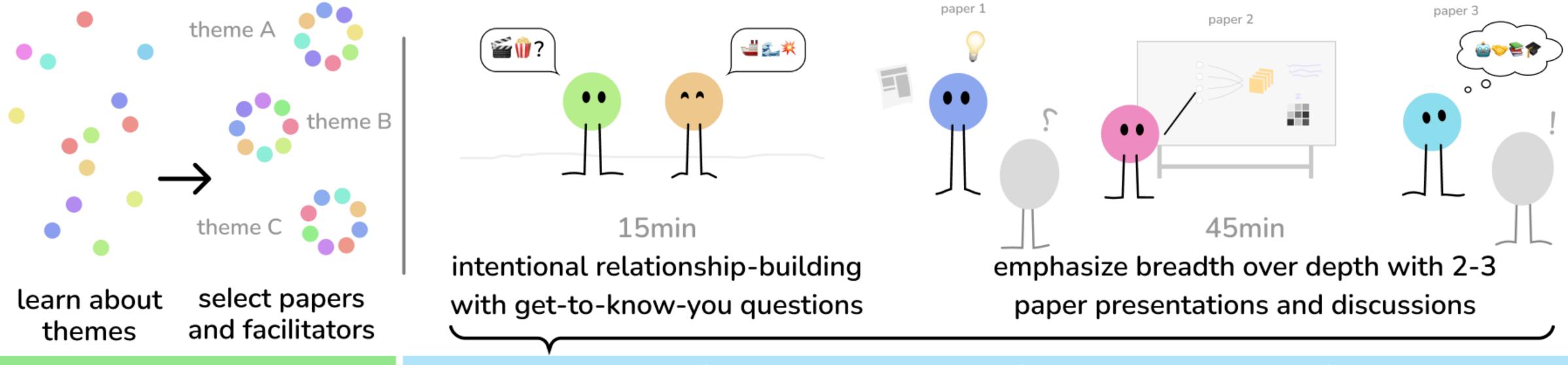
ACM Technology Symposium on Computer Science Education, Research Track (SIGCSE) 2021

Very lightweight (just one-hour/week and present one paper)

Completely student-run once groups are formed and launched

Time carved out for intentional relationship building

Designed for broad exploration rather than in-depth reading



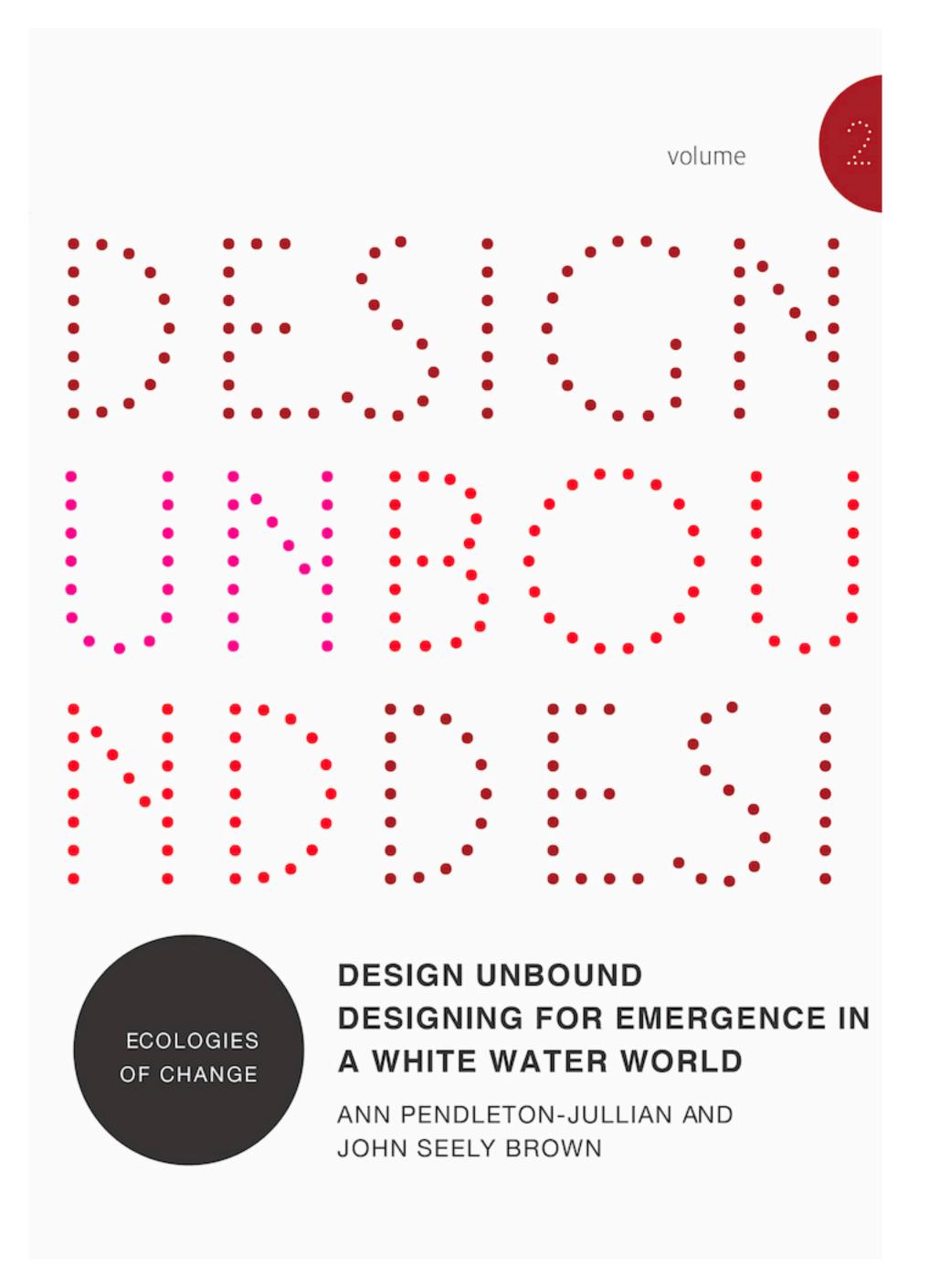
launch session

weekly meeting 1

weekly meeting 2

weekly meeting 3

weekly meeting 4



Systems of Action

"A coherent collection of interrelated action-intended components that... work systemically to affect the context of the problem... They scale, enabling small actions to affect a larger social ecosystems through work they do inside the system."

Pilot matchmaking program

BSOE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Existing & potential ways to collaborate

The <u>Baskin School of Engineering</u> and the <u>Tech4Good Lab</u> at UC Santa Cruz are seeking to strengthen communityengaged projects as part of the <u>Creative EDG2</u> initiative (Creative Engineering Design for Global Good). The vision is to provide real-world experiential learning for students, develop community-minded technologists, and connect courses and initiatives across BSOE to supporting local businesses, non-profits, and government projects (see Professor David Lee's TEDxSantaCruz talk, Redesigning Our Economy to Maximize People's Fullest Contribution).

Let us know if you have project ideas, feedback, or want to collaborate: bit.ly/bsoe-community.

COMMUNITY-ENGAGED PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

Explore existing community-engaged programs and examples of past projects.

CAPSTONE & CORPORATE-SPONSORED PROJECTS



Baskin Senior or MS students work on company-defined projects to gain real-world experience and solve problems for partners.

TECH4GOOD COLLABORATORY



A Tech4Good Lab program where students work on projects for the public interest, with a focus on education, work, and communities.

Besides filling out our survey, bit.ly/bsoe-community, you can also email Professor David Lee at <u>dlee105@ucsc.edu</u> with any questions on this initiative.





MARINE PLASTICS POLLUTION



A capstone project in collaboration with Clean Oceans International to create a website and app for monitoring plastic marine pollution.

FIRE REPORTING



A capstone project mentored by a member of the California Fire Department to create an app to pinpoint where fires start.

EXPANDING CAREER MENTORSHIP



An ongoing project in Tech4Good to expand opportunities for students to obtain career mentorship and coaching.

KAHZUM: LOCAL BIZ SUPPORT



A student startup centered on supporting local businesses that was developed out of UCSC's entrepreneurship courses.

CAPSTONE COURSES

Many of our engineering programs have capstone courses where students apply the skills they've learned towards significant projects, some of which are already community-engaged.



Undergraduate Seniors Software Design Project (CSE 115bcd) Engineering Design Project (CSE 123ab)

Electrical and Computer Eng. Capstone (ECE 129abc)



Professional Masters Programs Serious Games Studio I/II/III (GAME 255) Games and Playable Media Studio I/II/III (GAME 270) Human Computer Interaction Capstone (HCI 271) Natural Language Processing Capstone (NLP 271abc)

PROJECT-BASED COURSES

There are also many courses with hands-on assignments with potential for supporting community projects in specific skillsets. The list below is just a small sample.



Business & Entrepreneurship

Human-Centered Design

Starting a New Technology Company (CSE 80C) Decision Analysis in Management (CSE 174) Business Strategy and Info. Systems (CSE 175)

Human-Centered Design Research (CMPM 178)



Analytics, Machine Learning, and Visualization Machine Learning and Data Mining (CSE 142) Applied Machine Learning (CSE 144) Visualizing Complex Systems (CMPM 290a)



Systems Development

Mobile Applications (CSE 118) Software for Society (CSE 119) Web Applications (CSE 183)

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Interactive Design Studio (CMPM 132)

Several student-run organizations teach K-12 students or provide services to the community.

UCSC Rocket Team



Teach elementary school children physics and rocketry.



designing robots.

Website designs and C marketing strategies for local businesses.

Creative Tech Design

PROGRAMS BEYOND BSOE

We believe interdisciplinarity is critical, and can facilitate partnerships with communityengaged programs outside of Baskin Engineering or connect you directly to them.

Everett (Sociology)

social innovation.

Community-engaged projects on digital tools for

GetVirtual (Crown)

Help local businesses affected by COVID adjust to the digital landscape.

IDEASS (Carson)

Innovation and design projects for sustainability related challenges.

Annual luncheon

tech4good community luncheon

April 29, 2023 | Merrill Cultural Center, UC Santa Cruz

11:00am | Check-in begins

Check where you're sitting, get a boxed lunch, and mingle

11:30am | Introduction

- Introductory remarks and tech4good overview, David Lee
- Lifelong learning, technology, and community, Doug Erickson

11:40am | Tech4Good projects

A small sampler of programs, projects, and ideas from student leads

- Supporting large group mentorship in a chat-based UI, Kehua Lei
- Peer-based Al hints for learning qualitative analysis in a project-based course, Giridhar Vadhul
- Better integrating #dayinalife videos towards career identity formation, *Elizabeth Fonseca*

Table discussion and brief speaker O&A

- In your tables, share a question or reflection you had while listening, or share your own dreams for using technology to support education, work, or communities
- 1-2 questions for speakers drawn from the table discussions

12:05pm | Stretch and shuffle

Toss your lunch box, get a drink, and move to a new table to meet new people :)

12:20pm | Tech4Good journeys

Alumni experiences and journeys during Tech4Good and beyond

- Structuring impactful teams by centering empathy, Nathaniel Thompson
- Learning to appreciate the process of growth over fixating on achievements, Aproop Kamat
- Staying hopeful while finding a job during a tech downturn, Eliza Gonzales

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12:45pm | Looking forward

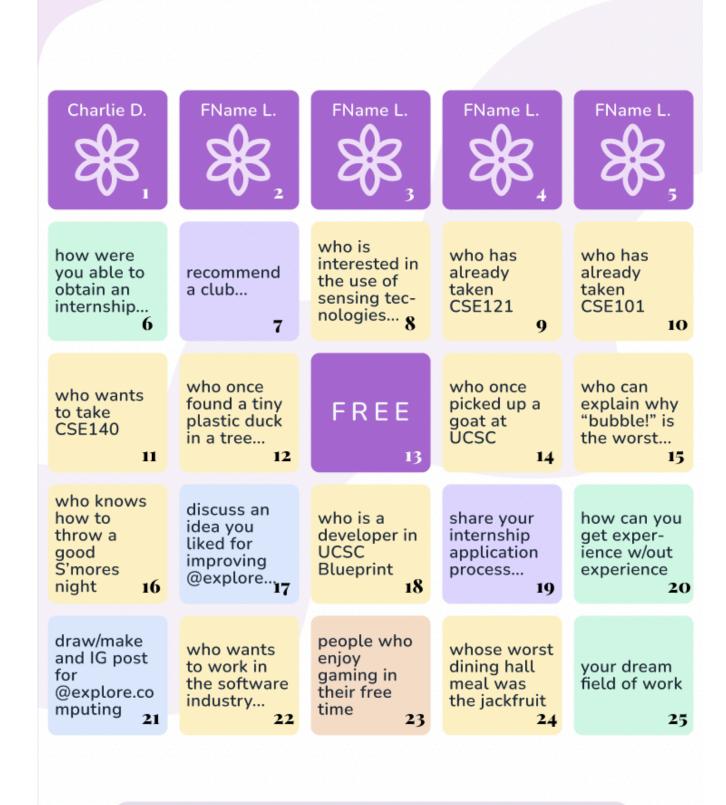
- Reflections from Your Future Is Our Business, Yvette Brooks
- Towards computational thinking at scale in Santa Cruz County, Jason Borgen
- Concluding remarks and tech4good directions, David Lee

1:00 pm | See you next year!



Blossom

CMPM 15 Bingo



Complete rows of bingo prompts and meet new people to score points!

More Info



Find Someone

Look for a person who would consider delving into the future research of their research topic, either for work or fun

Who did you find?

Search for names

Q

SUBMIT





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Connect Someone

Pair with two people who share one of the following athletic hobbies: going to the gym, soccer, rock climbing, or biking

Which two people were you able to connect?

Search for first person

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and

Search for second person

Q

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In designing ecosystems, think about relationships and how to support the work of alignment

"governments [are] composed [of] relations with constituents.

It is precisely these *relations*—not the deliberative transactions—that matter most in day-to-day civic life"

— Miriam Asad, Christopher LeDantec, Becky Nielsen, Kate Diedrick, **Creating a**Sociotechnical API: Designing City-Scale Community Engagement

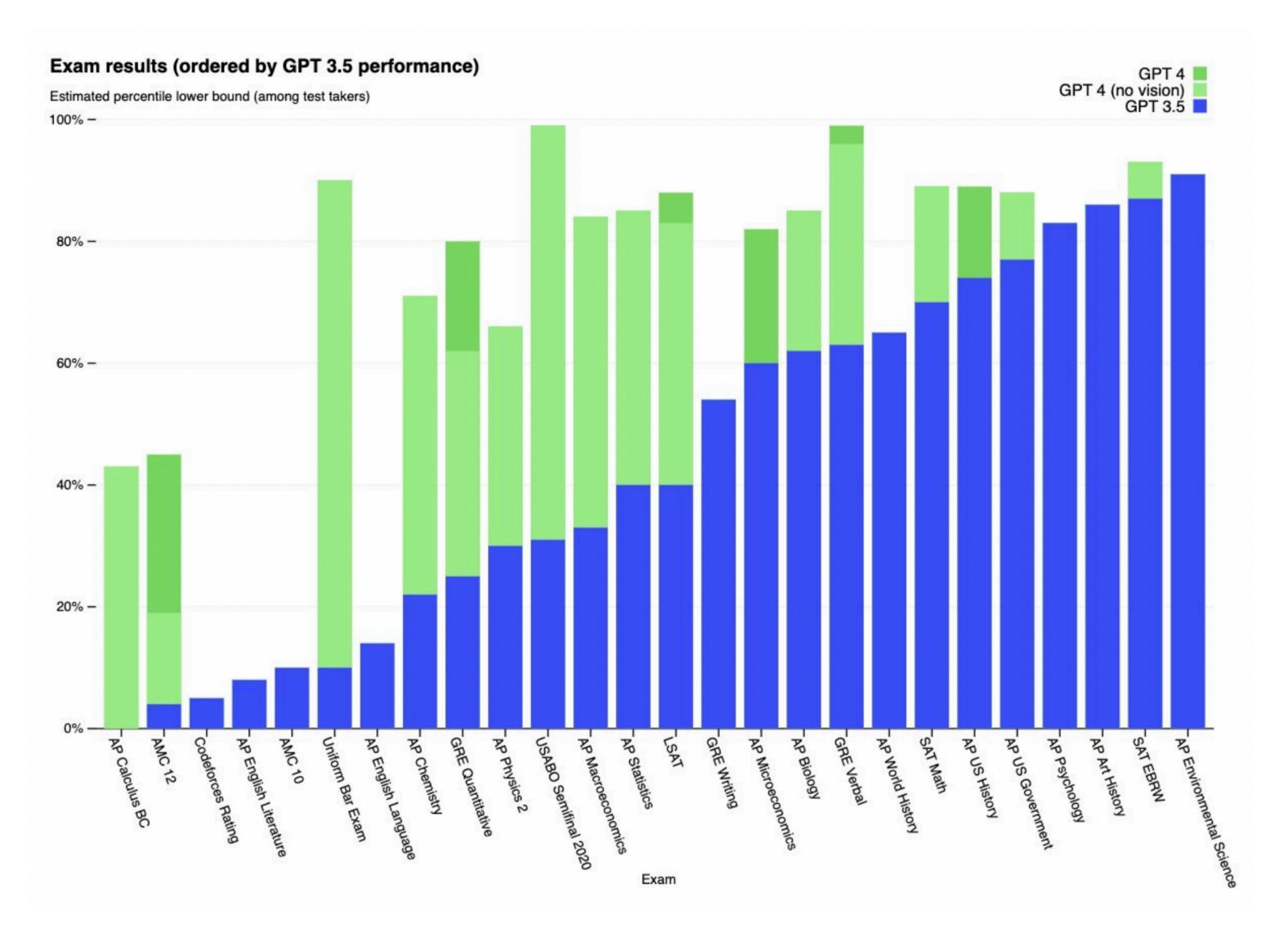
How might we imagine...

approaches to designing human-Al interactions that are more human-centered?

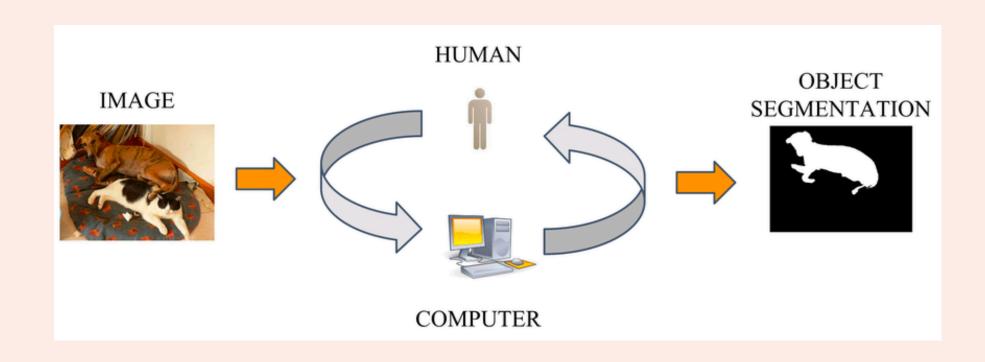
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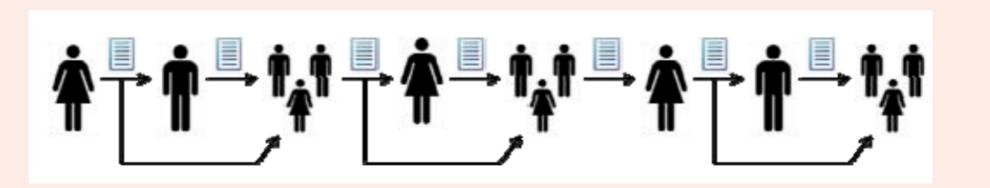
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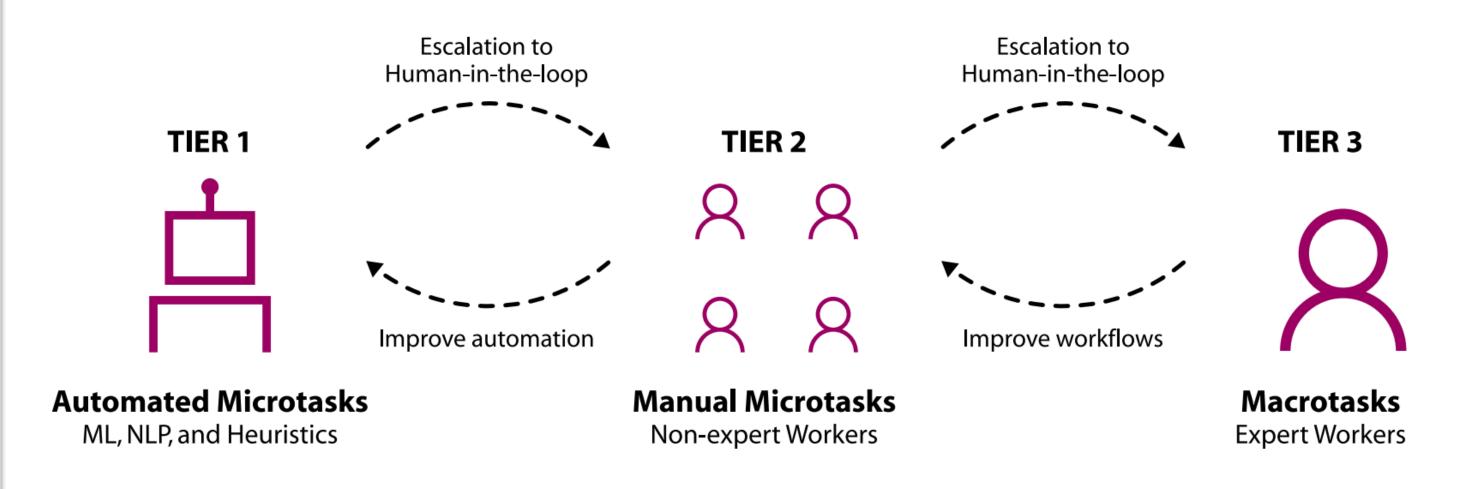


Human-in-the-loop systems and micro-tasks

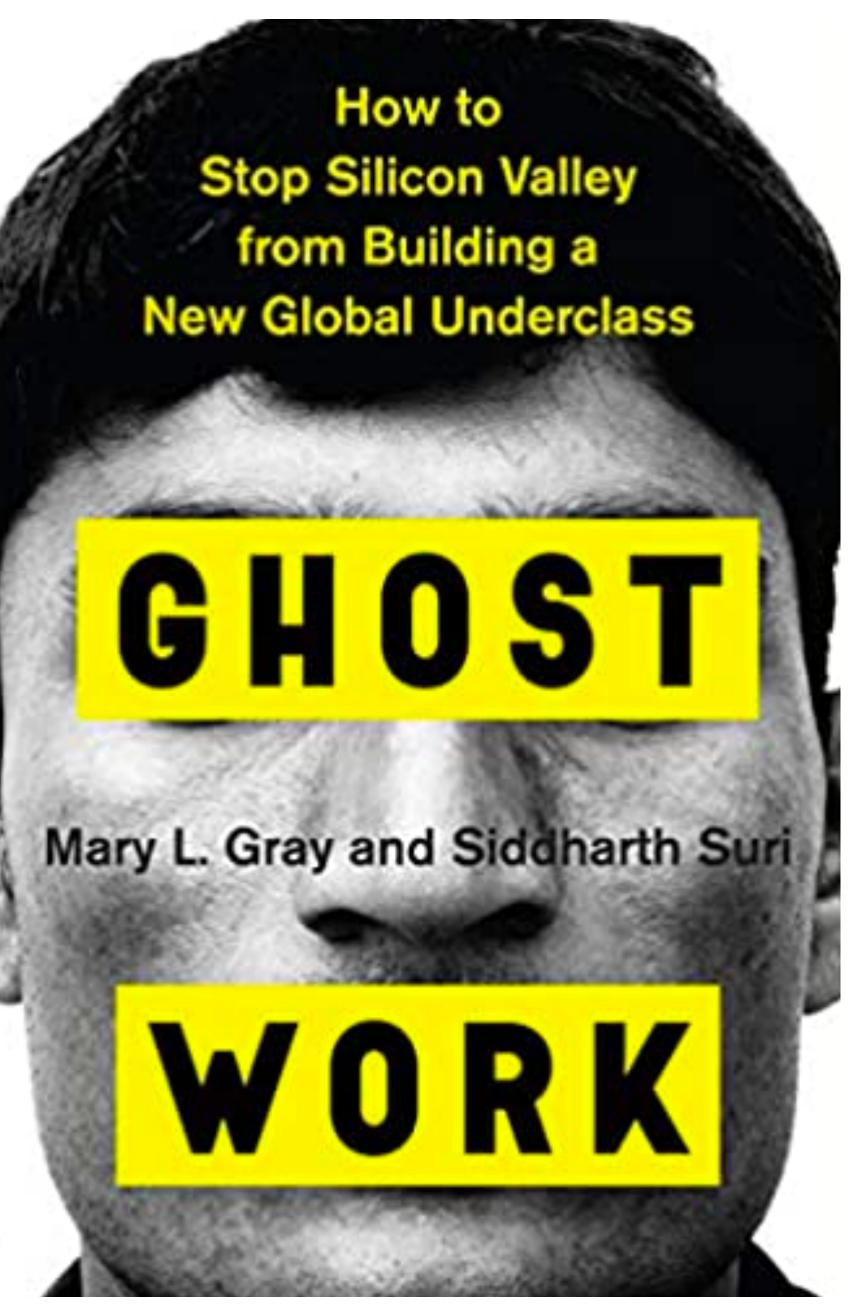




Expert work is atomized Atomized work is automated





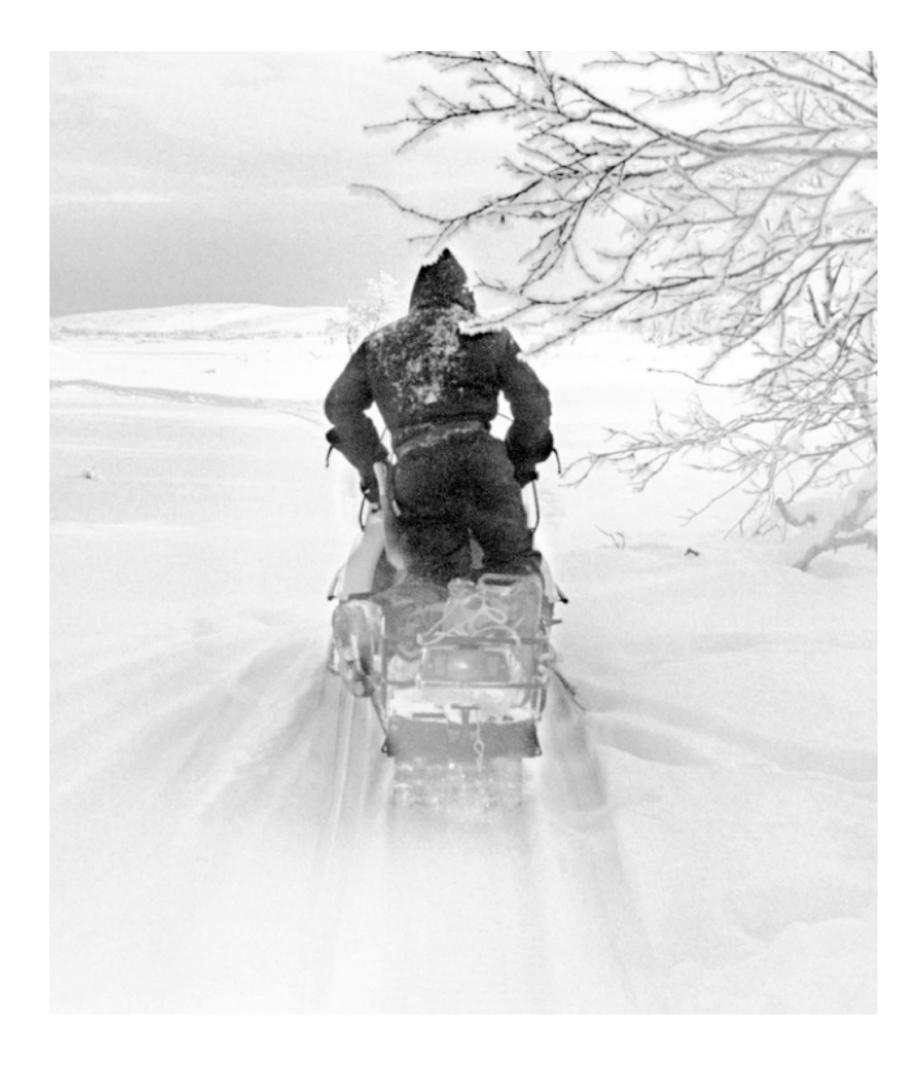




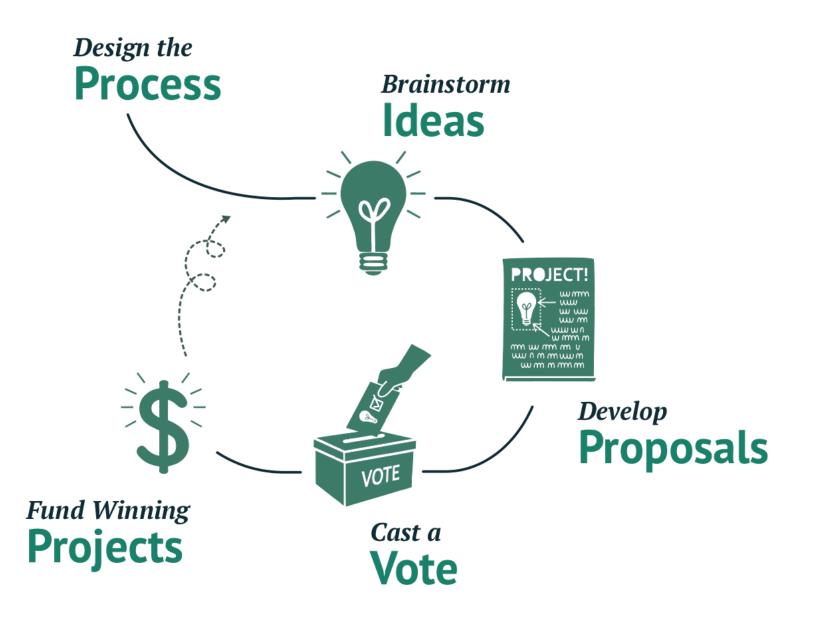


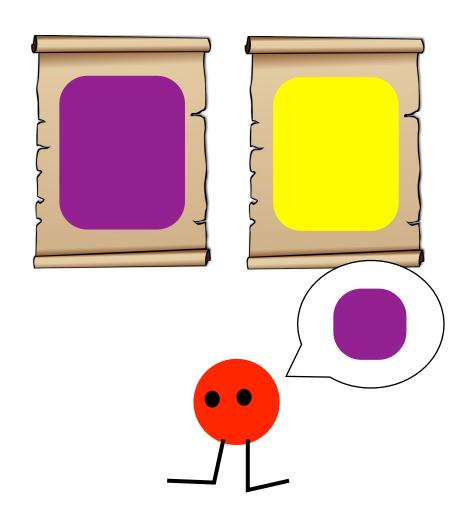
Trends in crowd work / gig work increase tensions between learning and earning

- Atomized tasks decrease situated learning
- Lack of collaboration prevents work-based "instrumental relationships"
- "Always on" nature crowds out learning



The Finnish Experiment: Crowdsourcing Off-road Traffic Law Reform



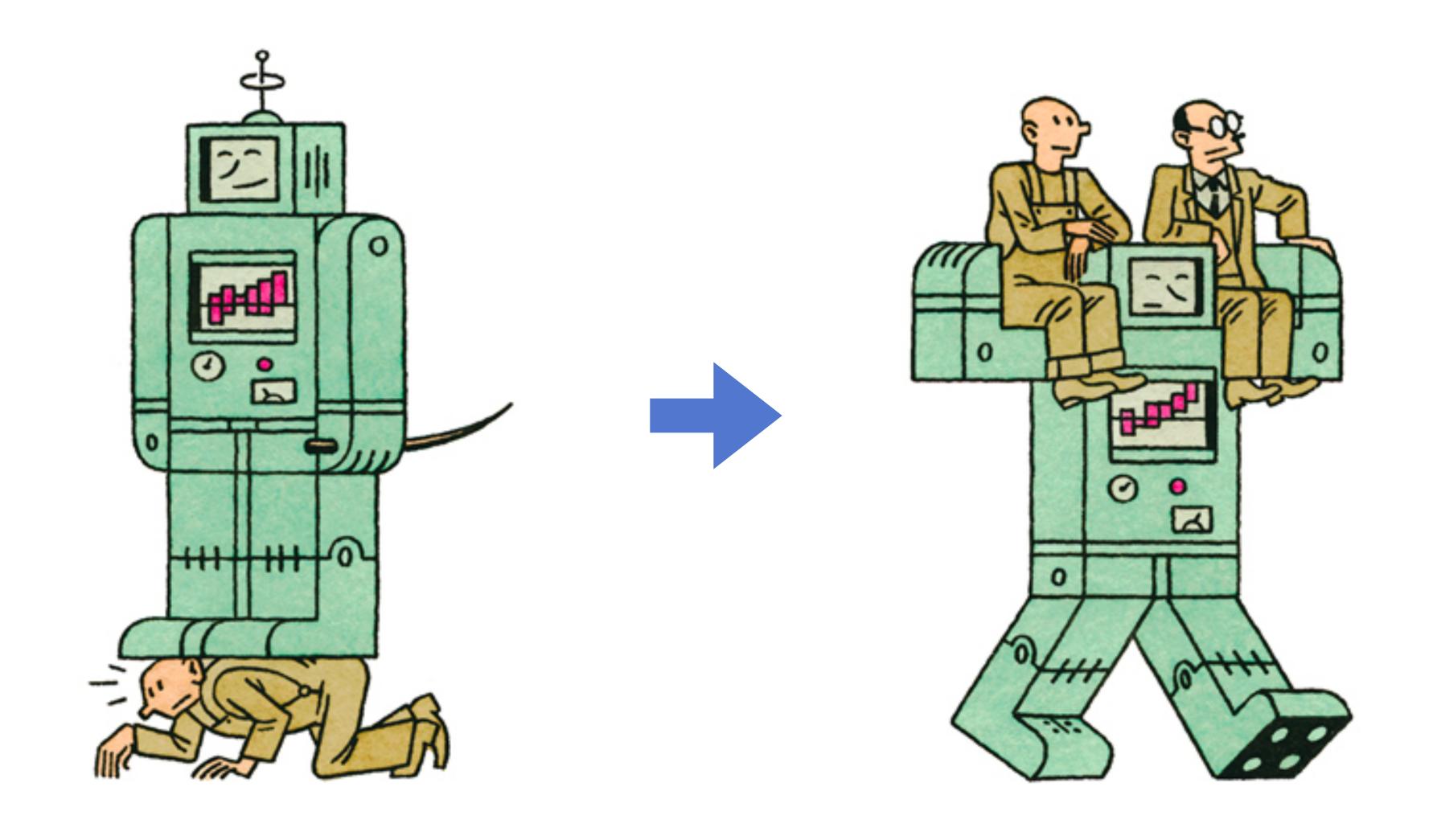


Crowdsourcing for Participatory
Democracies: Efficient Elicitation of
Social Choice Functions
David T. Lee, Ashish Goel, Tanja
Aitamurto, Helene Landemore
AAAI Conf. on Human Computation
and Crowdsourcing (HCOMP) 2014
Notable Paper Award

Efficient, Private, and epsstrategyproof Elicitation of Tournament Voting Rules David T. Lee International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI) 2015

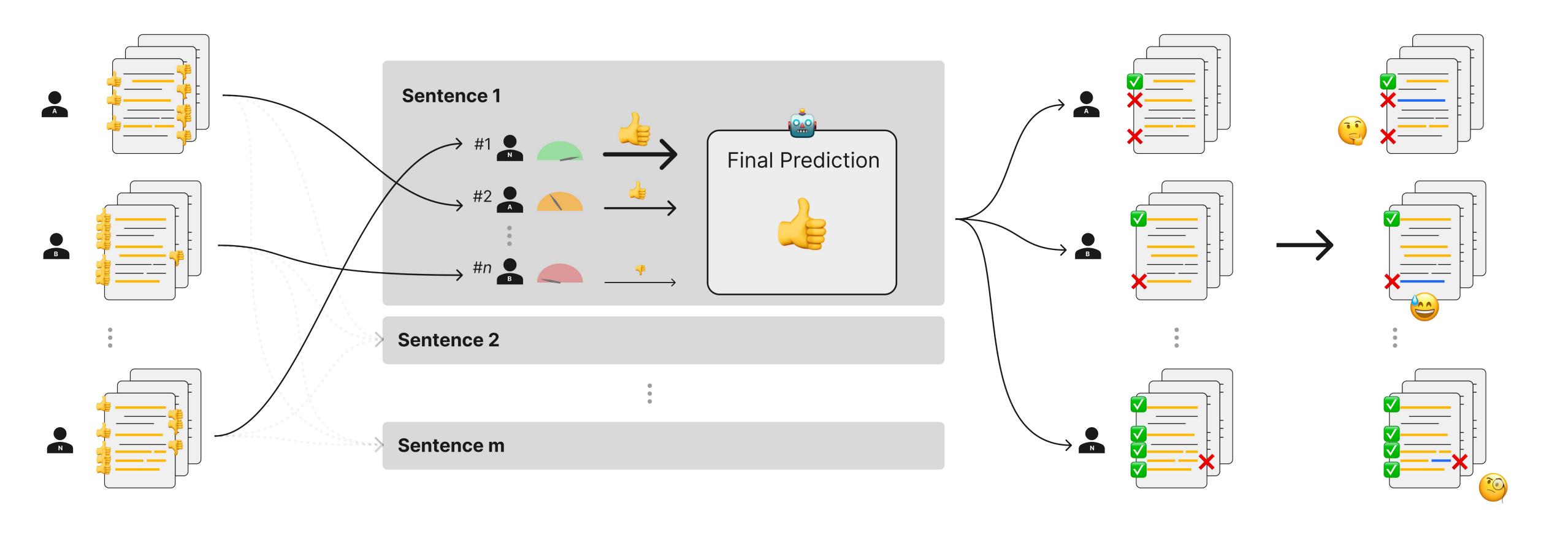
Triadic Consensus: A Voting Rule for Crowdsourcing Applications
Ashish Goel, David T. Lee
Conf. on Web and Internet
Economics (WINE) 2012

Towards Large-Scale Deliberative Decision-Making: Small Groups and the Importance of Triads Ashish Goel, David T. Lee ACM Conf. on Economics and Computation (EC) 2016



<u>Idea #1</u>

repurpose micro-task algorithms for use in rich collaborative dynamics



Annotations as 'votes' on relevance

EM-inspired algorithm predicts sentence relevance

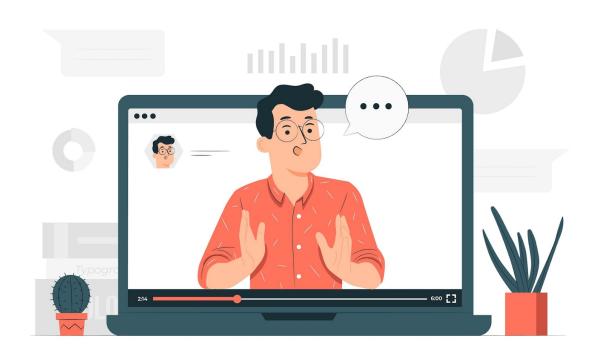
Provide personalized hints for reflection and iteration

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How can we provide mentorship to support our undergrads in the transition into the workforce?



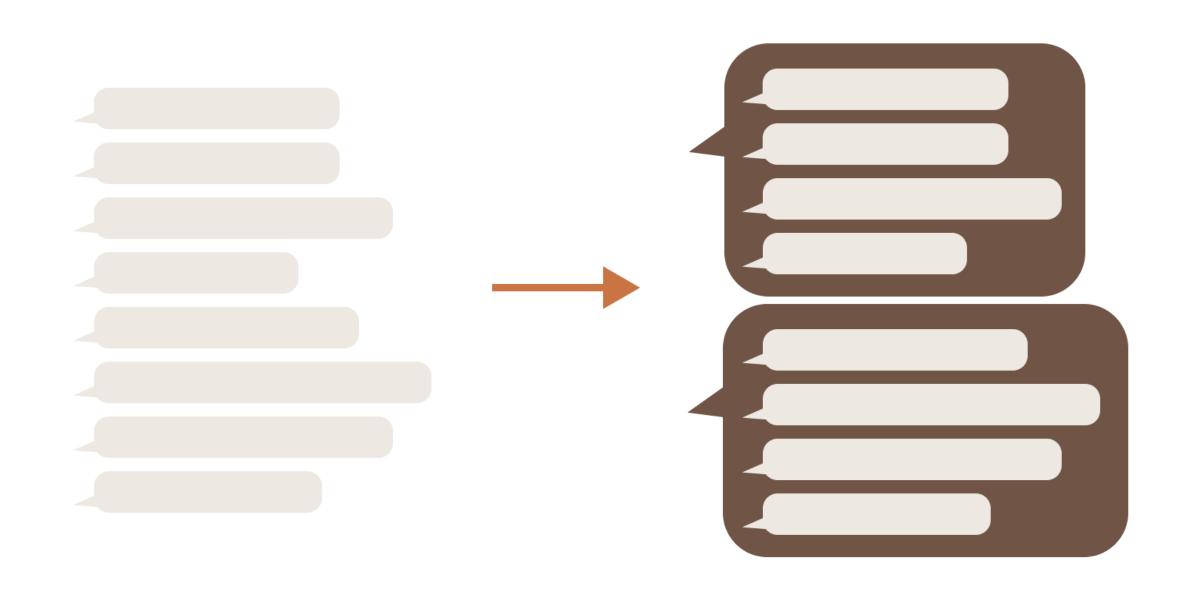
How might structured chat environments help create personalized interactions that also scale?







Think of conversations as not built on individual messages, but on *multi-person conversational units*



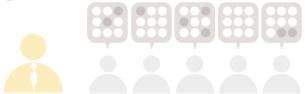
Mentor asks a question using a cluster prompt



Mentees respond within a specified timeframe



Mentees are presented with several responses and mark any similar ones



Interactions are summarized • as clustered responses for the mentor to build on •

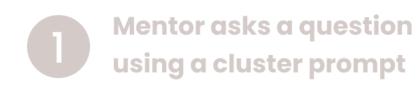


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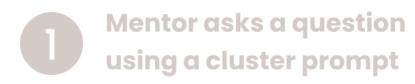
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Received Responses: 10

1:30

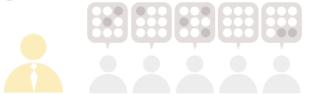
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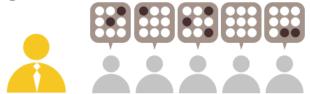








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Take a look at what others said. Were any other responses essentially the same as yours?

Select the answer(s) that are the same or similar to yours.

2:00

When is the best time to start looking for internships?

I would like to learn more about our mentors' career journeys.

Tips on landing internships and also jobs as a new grad.

What I'd like to discuss is the expectations held for us upon entering the tech job market.

your journey to getting where you are?

None are similar

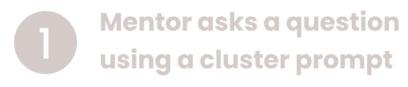
I'd like to hear about how to explore different career pathways in the field.

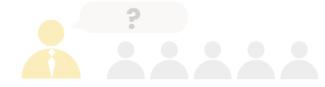
Advice on getting an internship as a freshman would be nice!

What was your journey to your present job and is there anything you would've done differently?

If we are trying to get a software engineering internship, what types of projects make the most impact?

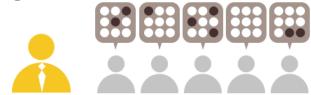
How to get an internship?







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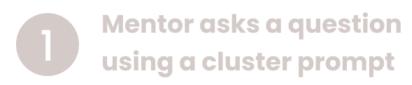


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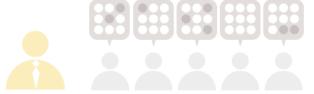








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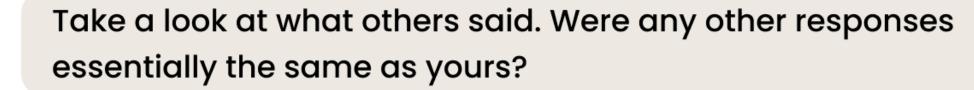
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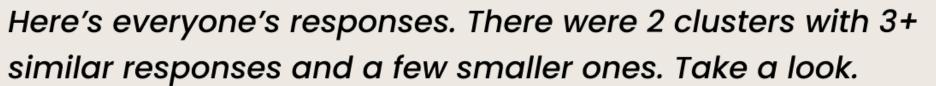
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All Clustered Responses •

Browse other whispers and prompts

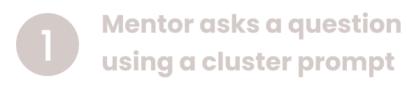
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- Do you have any tips or information on interviews & getting experience and landing internships?
- What is the best strategy to connect with people in the tech industry with the intention of a future job?
- I would love to hear internships; what is the best way to secure one? Would you recommend finding that perfect role or something to build your resume
- Interview tips, how to navigate the job market

Cluster 2

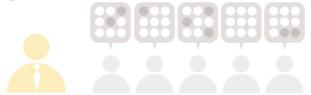
- I'd love to know more about how to actually land a job.
- Finding a job after college/internships!
- What do you recommend when someone is first starting their job







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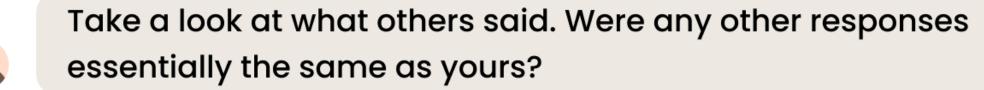
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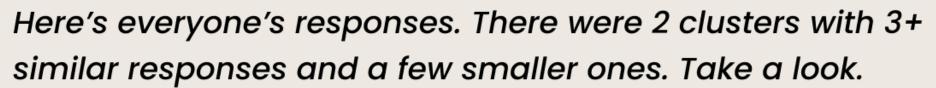
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It sounds like a lot of folks want to talk about getting an internship. Let's start with that!

in general, internships are a great way to try out something you think you might want to go into as a full time career

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Browse all community activities

Set up a new team activity using one of the existing community prompts!

Tech4Good Lab

Modified Supplemental Instruction (MSI)



Draw it Out!

Light-hearted drawing and guessing game doubling as a get-to-know-you survey.

Prompt:

What do you like, dislike, or suggest about MSI?



Six Hats

Brainstorm with the 6-hats framework. Learn constructive and inclusive delibration.

Prompt:

How can we expand the impact of MSI to reach more people?



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Fast paced decision-making game for ranking a problem's solutions.

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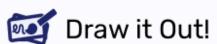
Help us rank the ideas you like most for improving MSI services.

Your Team Activities

+ Create a team

MSI





Today

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07/14/21

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Round 1/3: What type of experential learning would you most prefer at UCSC?

After selecting an answer, convince your teammates on the opposing side to agree with your choice.

Internships

OR

Fieldwork

County Ashley

County Kehua

County Dustin

David

Taylor

Krupa



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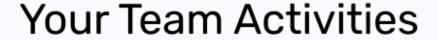


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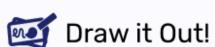
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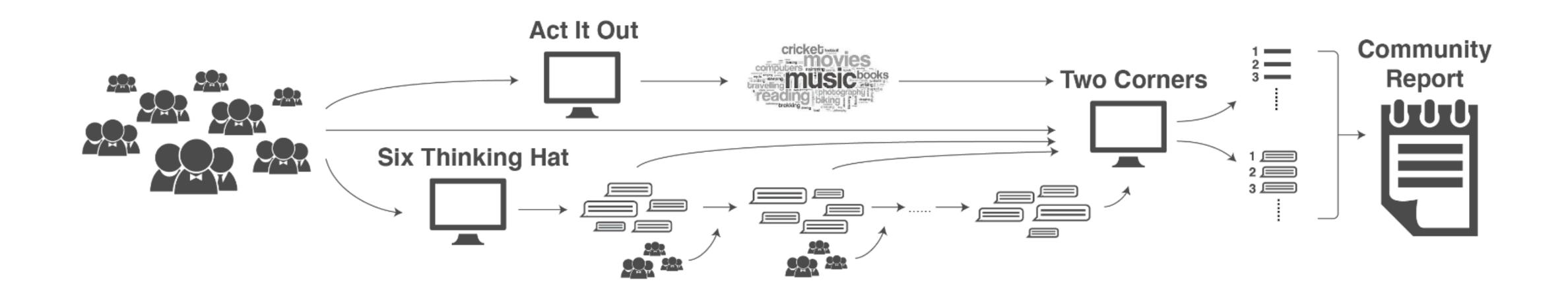
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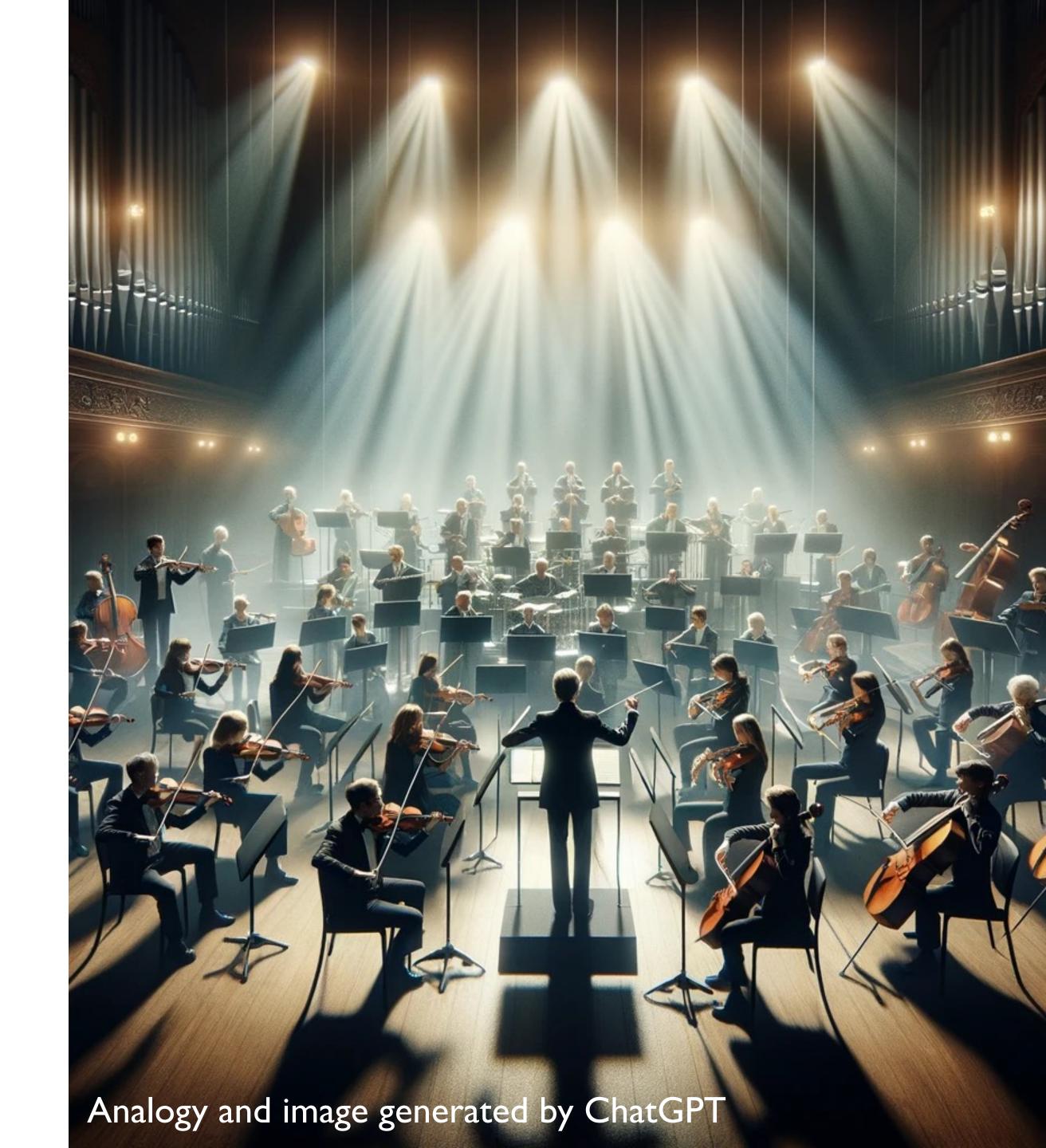


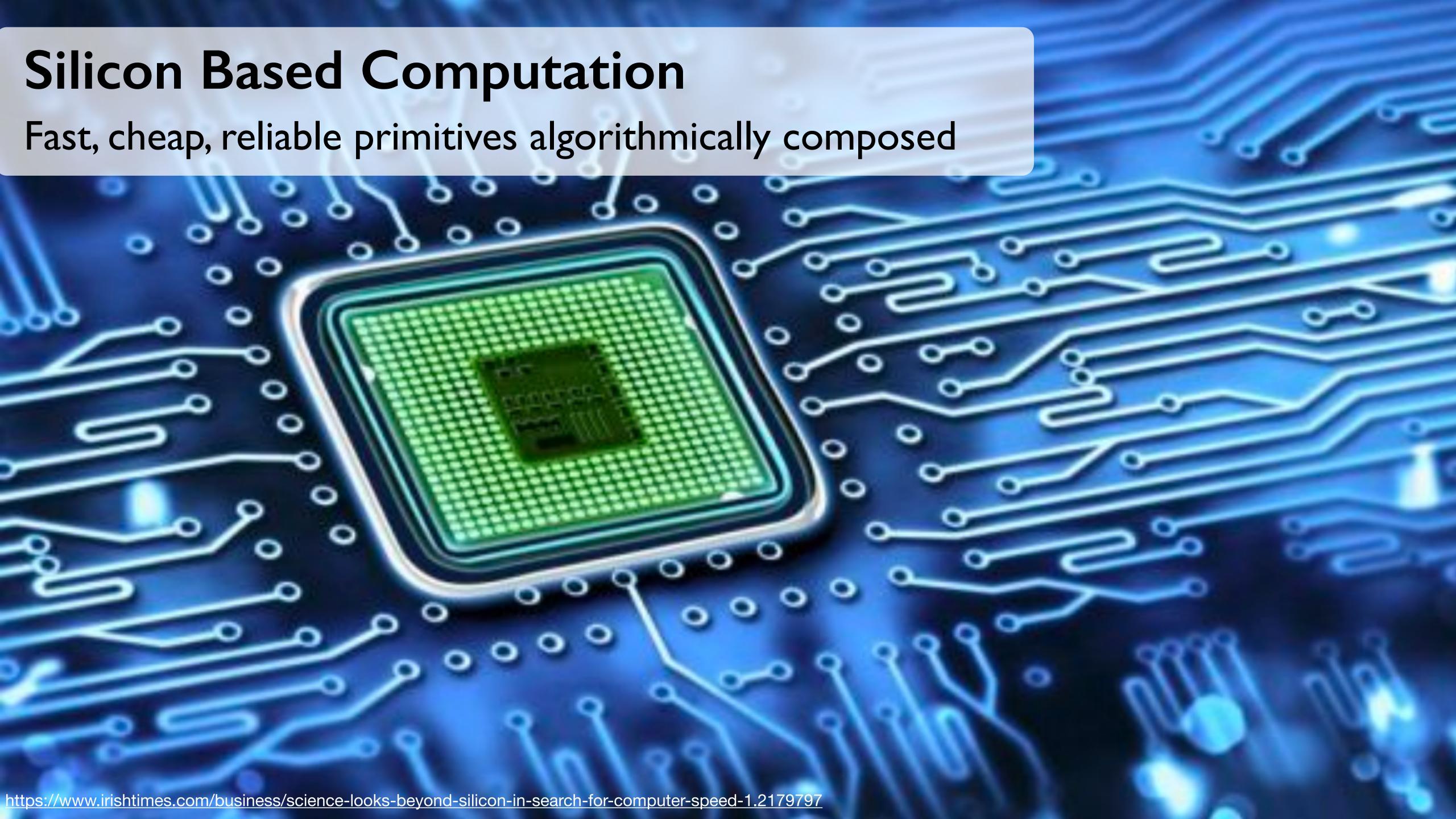
Idea #2

build new models of human-Al computation around human strengths

Imagine an orchestra where...

A computer assigns tiny, specific tasks to each musician like playing one note at a time. Yikes!





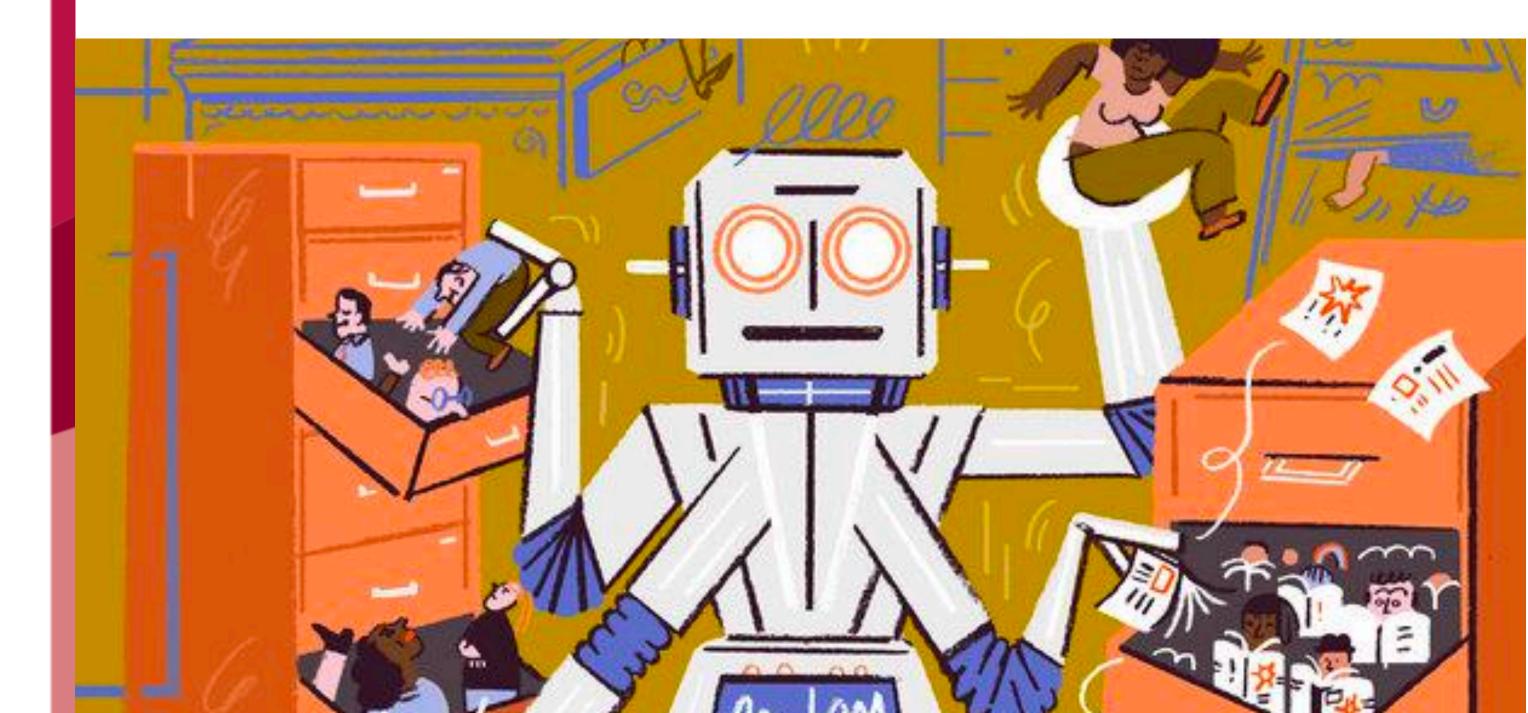


Mathematical Foundations for Social Computing





Most successful examples share much in common: the tasks to be performed are **obviously parallelizable**, the unit of human contribution required is **extremely small**, and there is usually very **little coordination**.

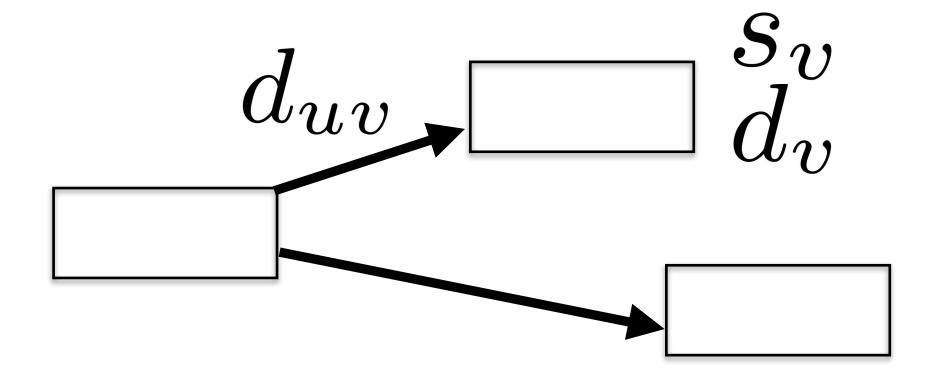


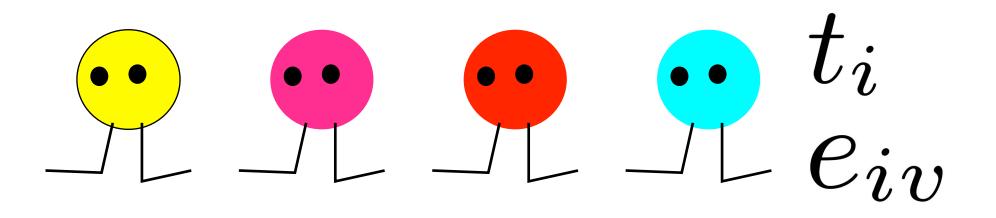


"At the core of this conception of cooperative work is the notion of interdependence in work."

"...by entering into cooperative work relations, the participants must engage in activities that [are] extraneous to the activities that contribute directly..., [implying] an overhead cost in terms of labor, resources, time, etc."

Schmidt, Bannon, CSCW 1992
Taking CSCW seriously: supporting articulation work





TASK GRAPH

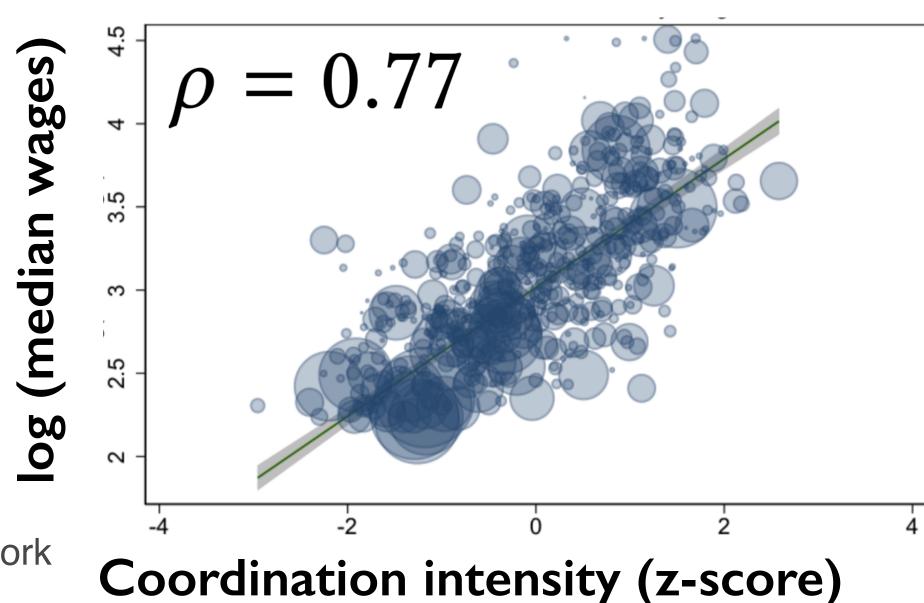
$$G = (V, E, s, d)$$

WORKERS

A Task Interdependency Model of Complex Collaboration Towards Human-Centered Crowd Work David T. Lee, Christos A. Makridis Submission Under Review

Findings from our task-interdependency model of human-Al work

- **Scalability**: there are fundamental limits to feasible work even with infinite workers, and these limits give insights on trends in complex crowd work
- **Learning**: experiential reskilling will be limited when interdependencies are high, but situated learning also requires some interdependence
- Occupations: simple analyses on occupational coordination intensity and wages were reflected in data on the US economy



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Idea #3

design AI to support reflective journeys and communities

How might we support people in taking time to reflect and find their center to help them navigate change?

Theories of identity development describe it:

- Providing a sense of coherence to selfknowledge and goals,
- Involving an extended process of exploration, making, and reconsidering commitments,



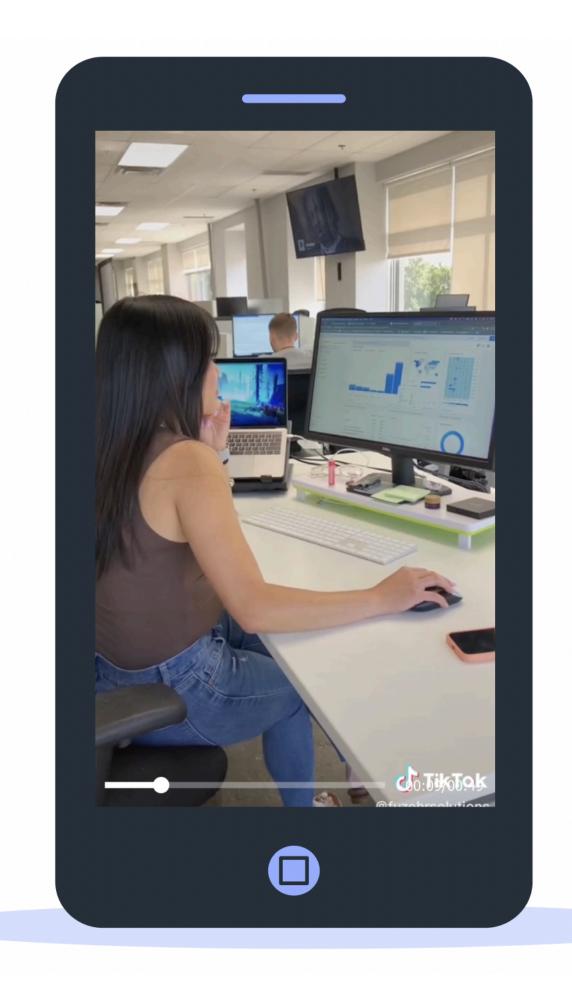
To what extent are #DayInTheLife videos helpful for career exploration?

Benefits include:

- Valuable first-hand depictions
- Digestible formats reduce barriers

However:

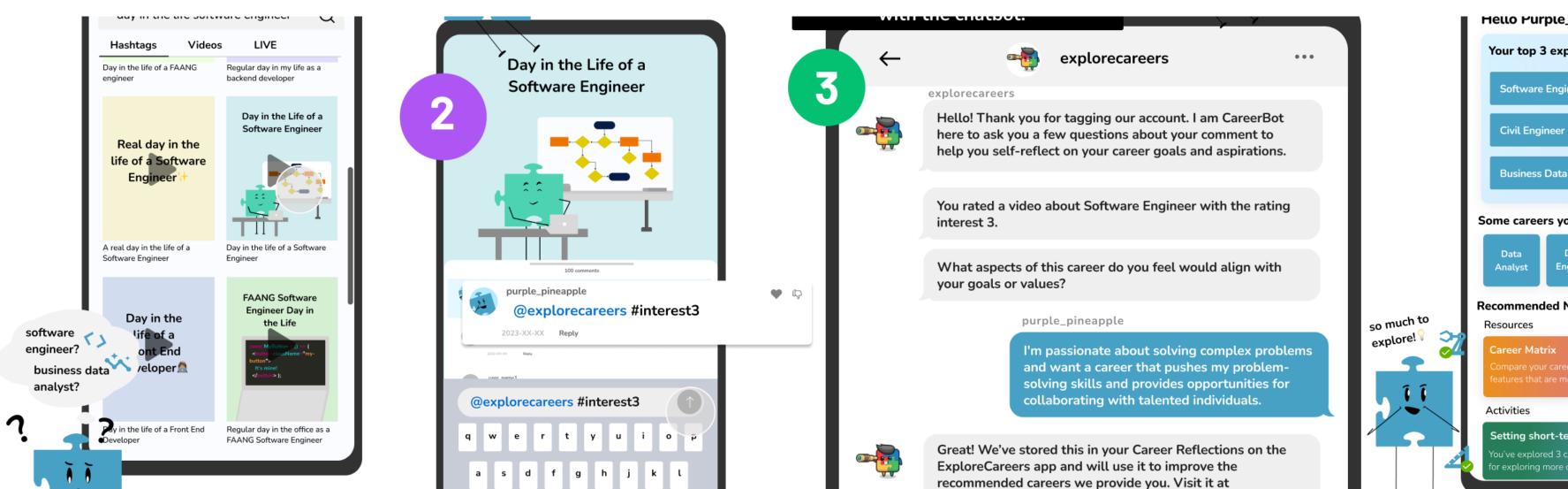
 Lack of integration and design of environment limits these benefits

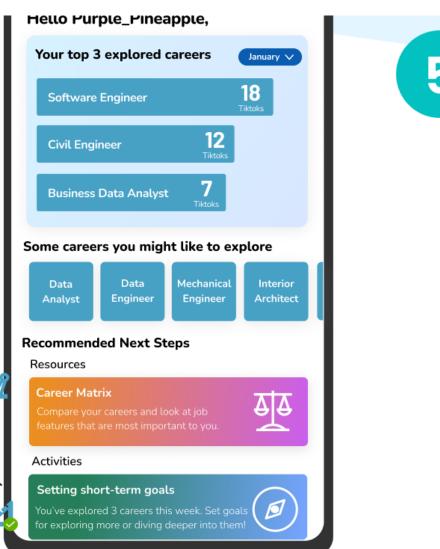


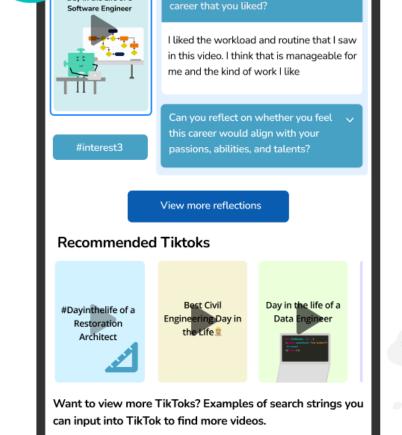
How might we design Al agents that help to facilitate reflection across longer timeframes to support identity formation?

"... I feel like the chatbot helped me slow down a little bit and realize, okay, like, what are the important things in that video? Like, what did I like the best."

"... fun... way more interactive than just TikTok on its own... it gave me like a sense of agency... I felt like I was like, deciding on if this job would work out or not."







mputer & Mathematical Careers



How might we design communities that support authentic reflection?

"...helped me recall things that I have complex feelings around... my most worthy failure, or how I learned to value myself... things that once made me feel extremely depressed. Gratitude provided me a platform to regain my power and encouragement by sharing these."

"...I'm grateful that it made me reflect on past experience of prejudice, bullying, and thinking about what the bullies think, and also my own cruelty to others sometimes."

Exploring Communal Gratitude in Online Communities Kehua Lei, Kathleen Lum, Namrata Keskar, Saba Kheirinejad, Shivani Potnuru, Amy Xing, Reina Itakura, Simo Hosio, David T. Lee Submission Under Review





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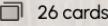
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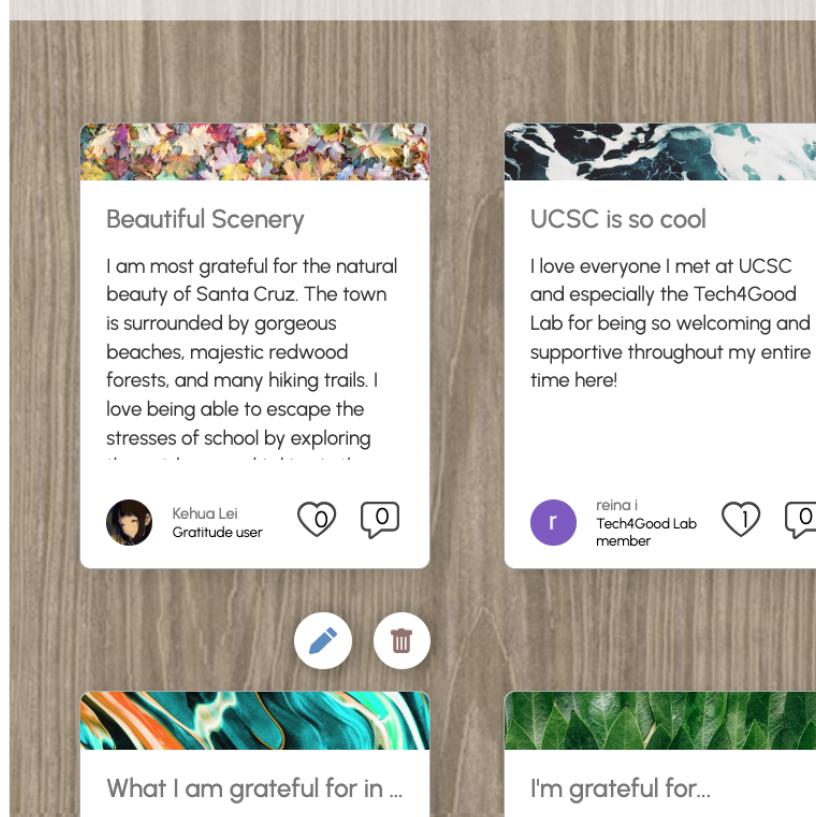
What are you most grateful for in Santa Cruz?



Santa Cruz Community



Prompt What are you most grateful for in Santa Cruz?



I'm grateful for the amazing

scenery here in Santa Cruz that

From the view of the sunset from

definitely excited for the rest of

Camille Gandotra O

makes waking up early easier.

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I'm meeting in Santa Cruz.

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environment and amazing people

Walking from class to class is can

reminds me to breathe and take







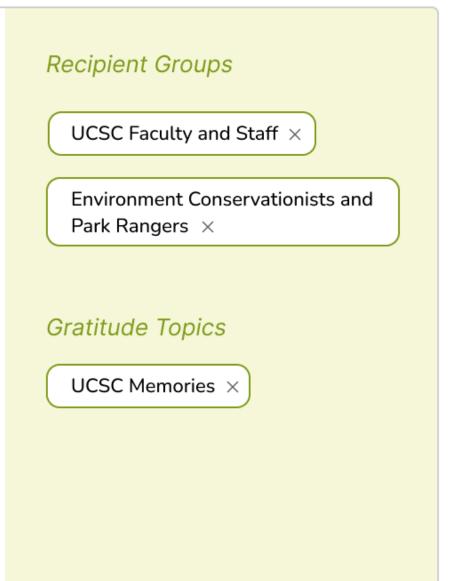


Review the unsung heroes underlying your note

Gratitude will try to identify groups of people who might appreciate reading your note such as relevant unsung heroes in the community or particular topics people can follow. **Hover over tags to read more**.

What are you deeply grateful for in Santa Cruz? Share your moments, memories, or experiences that have left a lasting mark on your heart.

I am immensely grateful for my time at UCSC, as it has been a truly unforgettable experience. The breathtaking ocean view that greeted me daily was a constant source of inspiration and tranquility, making every day on campus feel like a gift. The winding trails nestled in the lush redwood forests allowed for moments of reflection and a connection with nature that was simply magical. But above all, it was the caring and supportive faculty and staff that made my journey exceptional.



Back

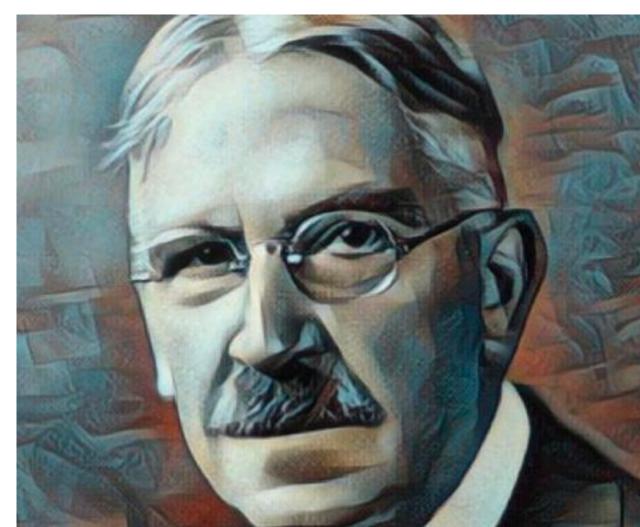
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School must represent present life—life as real and vital to the child as that which he carries on in the home, in the neighborhood

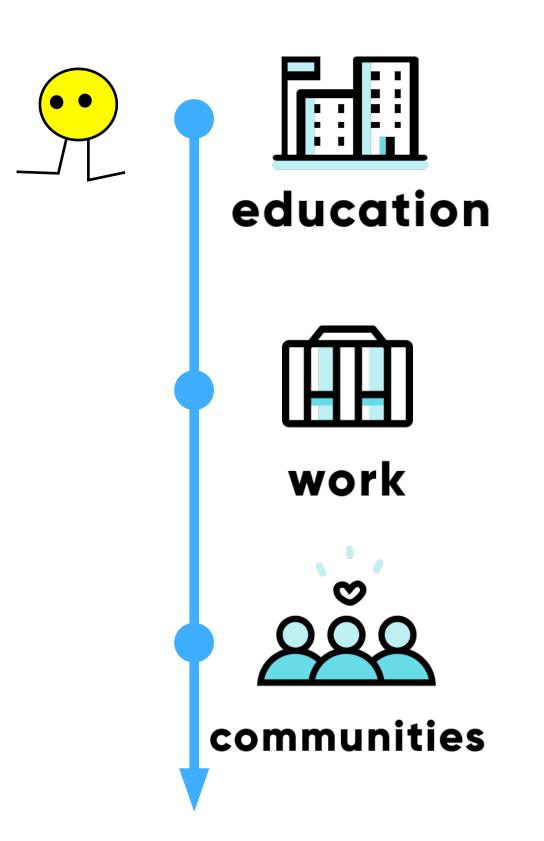
Education proceeds by the participation of individuals in social life... shaping the individuals powers, saturating his consciousness, forming his habits, training his ideas, and arousing his feelings and emotions... to have the full and ready use of all his capacities for society.

— My Pedagogic Creed (1897)

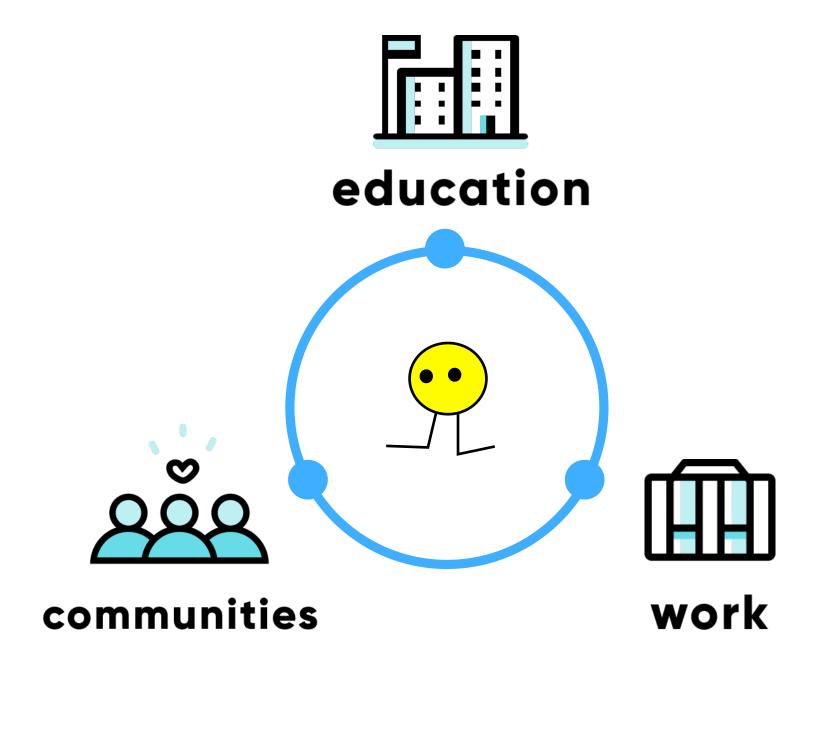
John Dewey
Philosopher and educational
reformer, 1859-1952



Our system



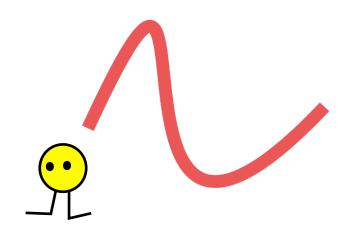
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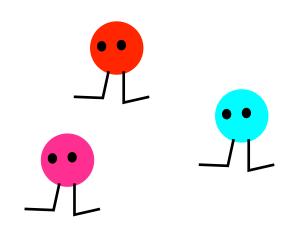
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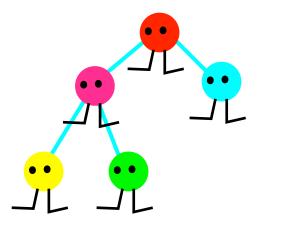
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- 2 societal collaboration to support communities



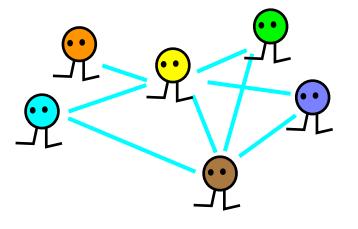
Tailored to individual journeys



In relational small group interactions



Supported by org. structures



In networked communities



Fostering a flourishing political economy

Tech4Good Lab

Social Computing, HCI+AI+EconCS

Interdisciplinary research tied to impact in education, work, and communities

Crowdsourcing and Learning in Groups

Experiential Learning at Scale

Career Journeys & Mentorship

Humane **Futures** of Crowd Work

Community & Societal Collaboration

Human-Al Collaboration

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