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World Wide Web (WWW) site that can be modified or contributed to by users. Wikis can be dated to 1995, when American computer programmer Ward Cunningham created a new collaborative technology for organizing information on Web sites. Using a Hawaiian term meaning "quick," he called this new software WikiWikiWeb, attracted by its alliteration and also by its matching abbreviation...

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A **wiki** (IPA: [ˈwɪ.kiː] <WICK-ee> or [ˈwiː.kiː] <WEE-kee>^[1]) is a type of **website** that allows users to easily add, remove, or otherwise **edit** and change some available content, sometimes without the need for registration. This ease of interaction and operation makes a wiki an effective tool for **collaborative authoring**. The term wiki can also refer to the **collaborative software** itself (wiki engine) that facilitates the operation of such a website (see *wiki software*), or to certain specific wiki sites, including the computer science site (and original wiki), WikiWikiWeb, and the online encyclopedias such as Wikipedia. The first wiki, WikiWikiWeb, is named after the "Wiki Wiki" line of **Chance RT-52** buses in **Honolulu International Airport, Hawaii**. It was created in 1994 and installed on the web in 1995 by **Ward Cunningham** and **Portland Pattern Repository**. "Wiki-wiki" means "hurry quick" in Hawaiian, referring to the quick way of getting to the islands.

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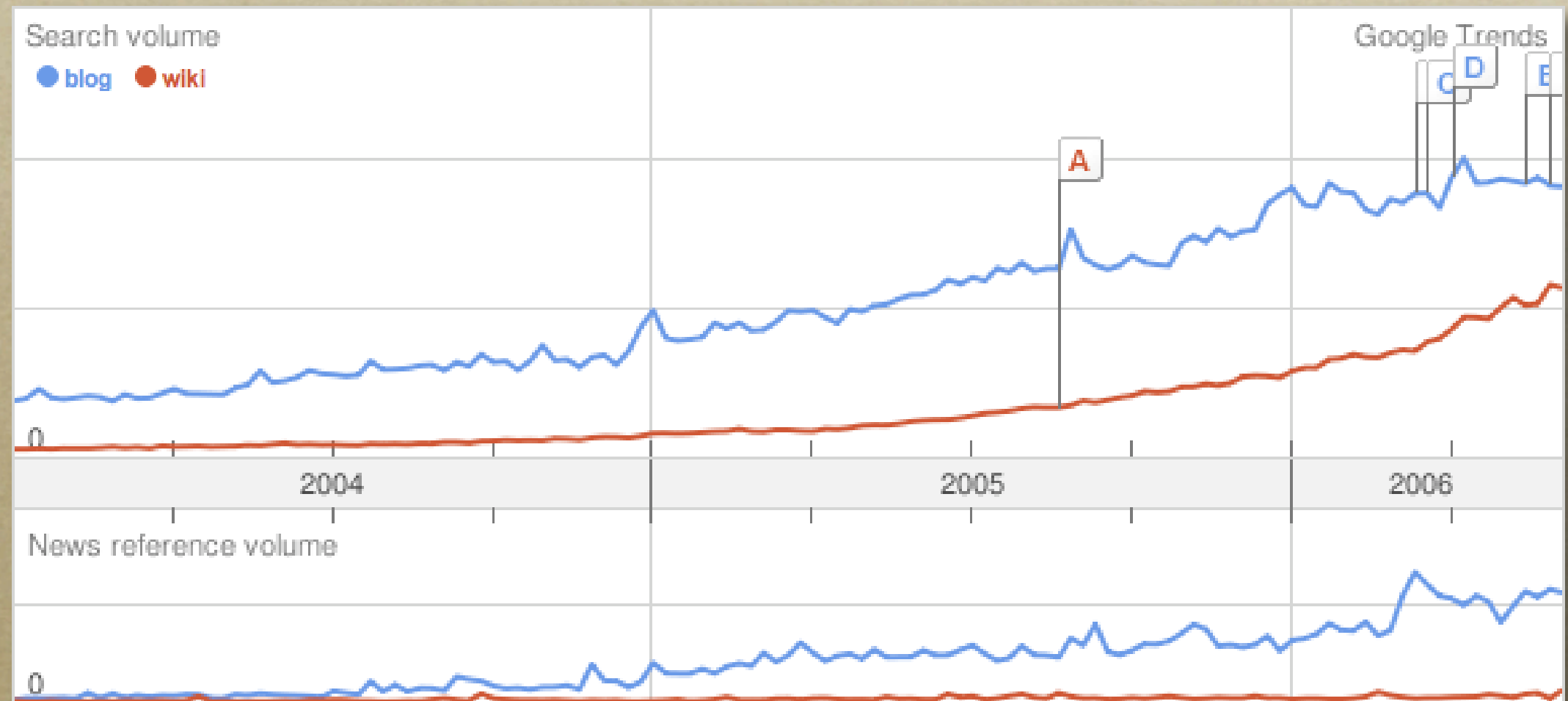
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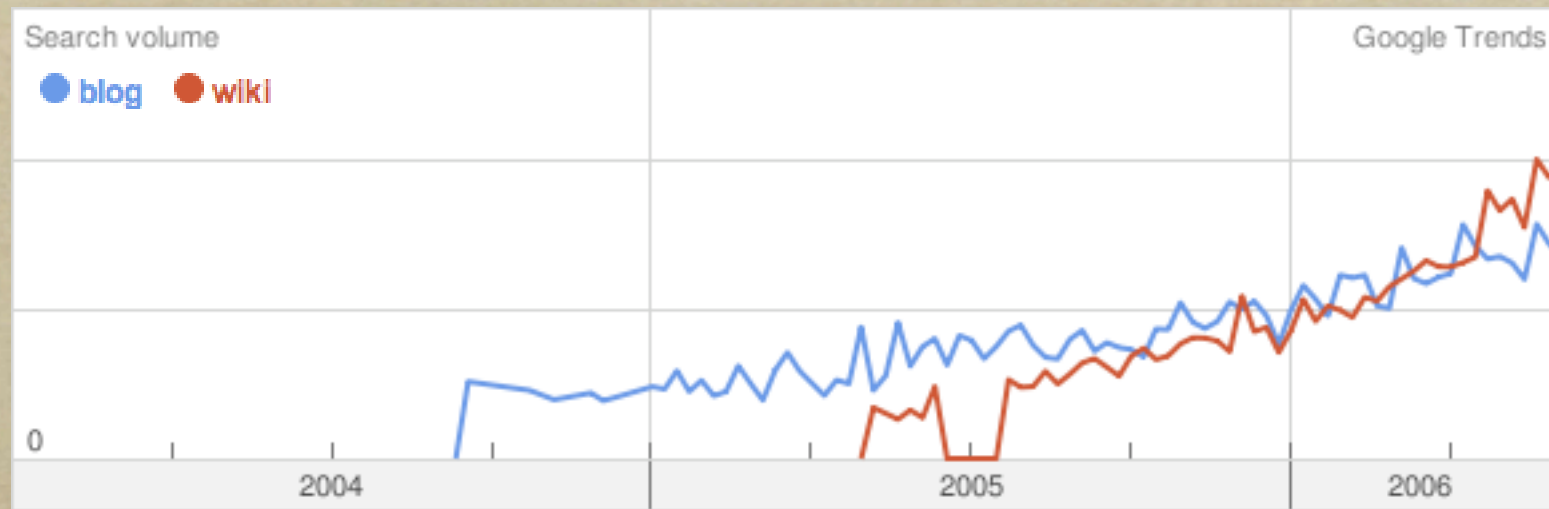
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Wiki vs. Blogs

*A wiki is a work made by a community.
The blogosphere is a community made by its works.*

*(Wikizens can come and go without
changing a wiki's identity)*

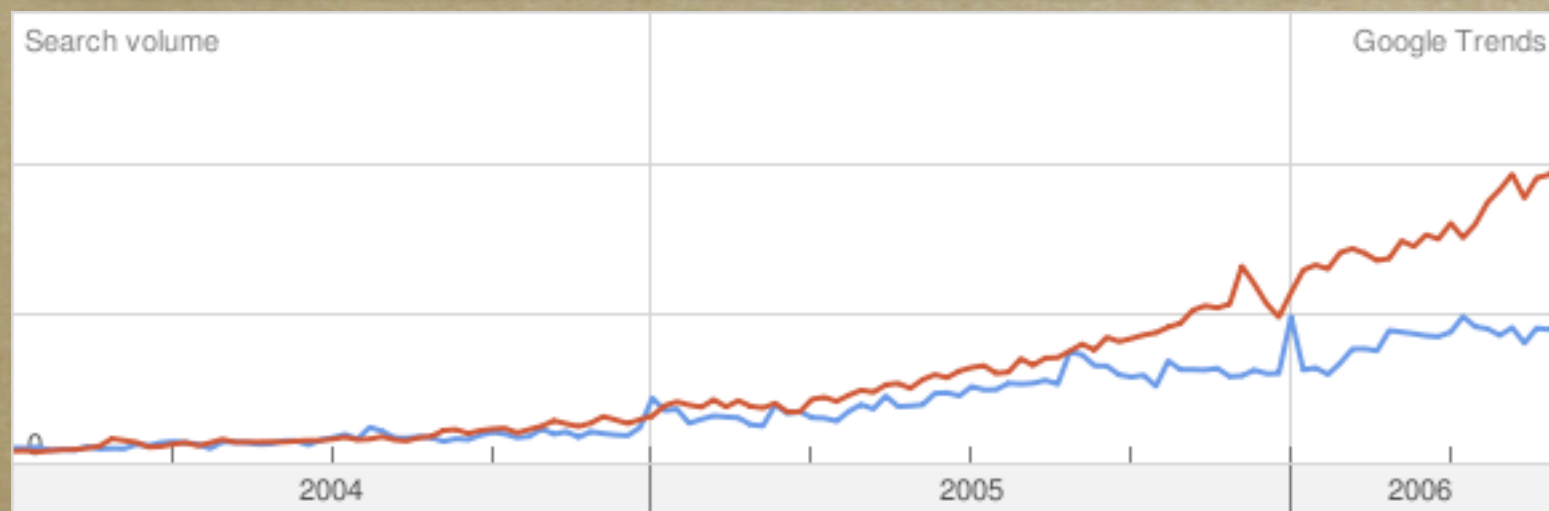




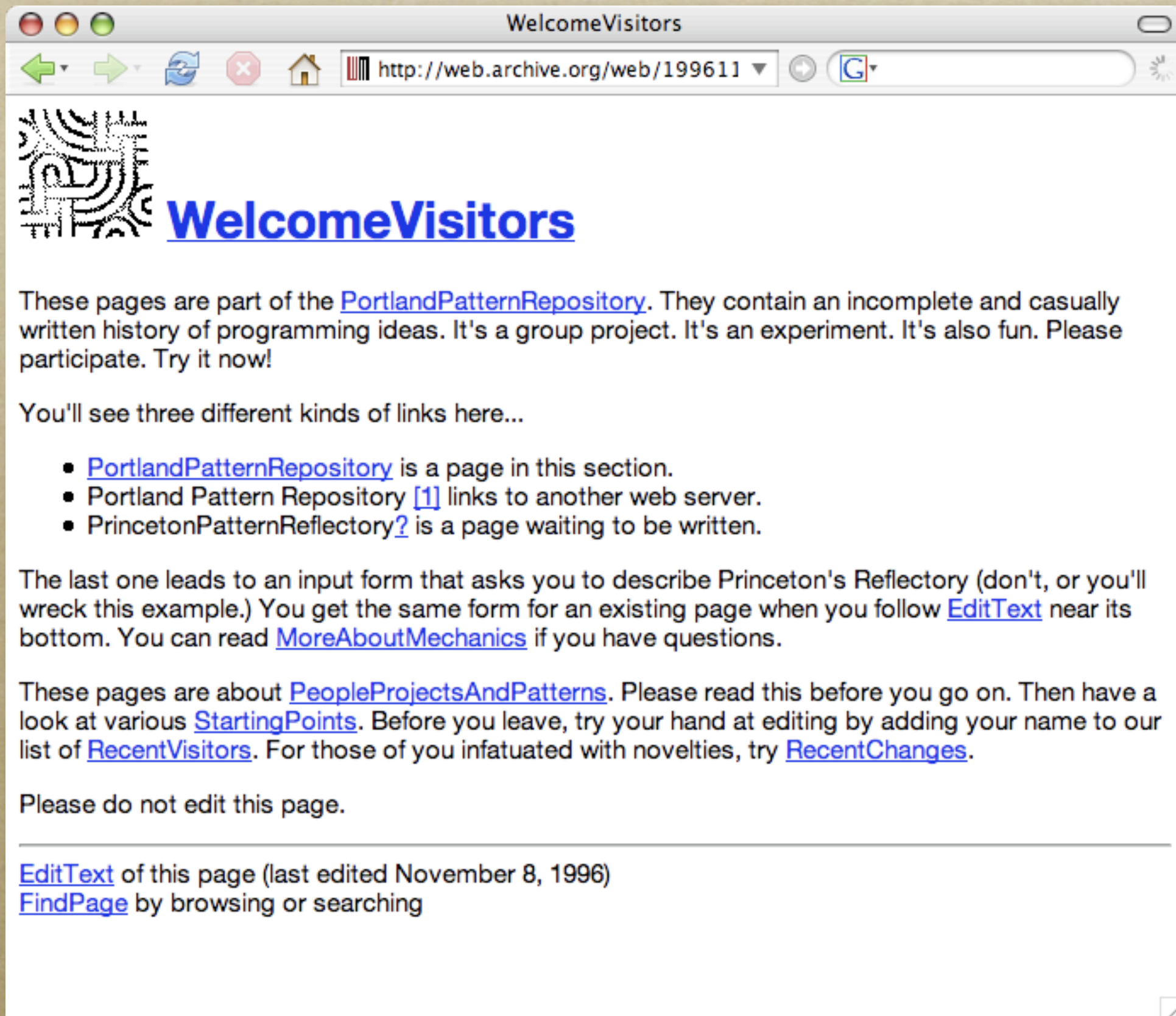
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dysfunctional behavior
resulting from decades
of misunderstood risk.*

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- July 7, 2006: We would like to thank **WikiMatrix** advertisements!
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- June 7, 2006: WikiSym sub-
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- March 2006: Main Page - Wikimania
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We thank you all, speakers, attendees, people who helped the conference ... all of you who showed an interest to realize this event. See you again at the next conference, which you might now want to have in your own city ... [More about Wikimania](#)...

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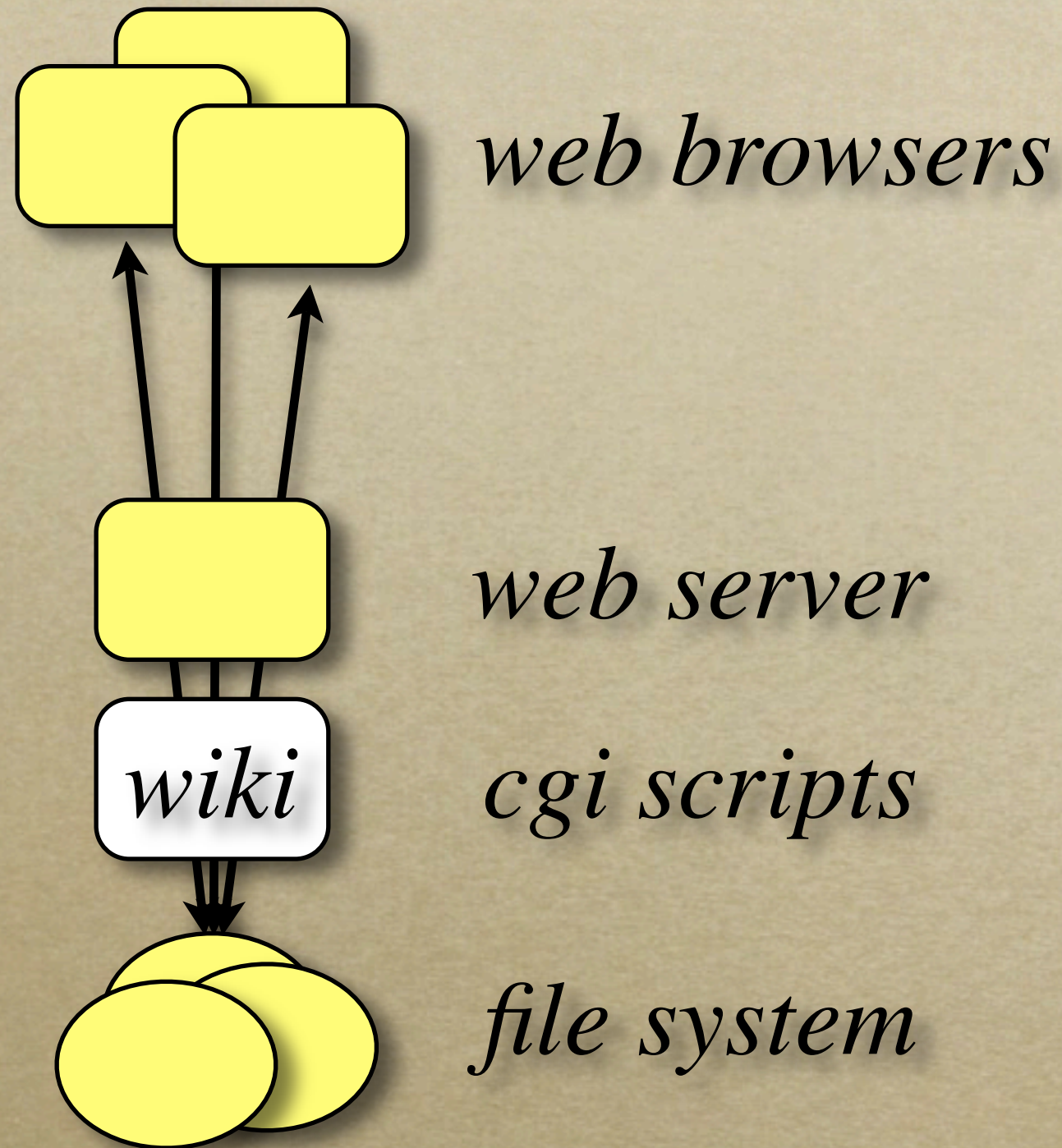
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So Much for So Little



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FleaWi	4 lines, 228 chars of Perl.
NanoWiki	5 lines, 295 chars of Perl.
PeeWee	7 lines, 444 chars of Perl.
PeWi	7 lines, 515 chars of Perl.
WyPy	11 lines, 814 chars of Python.
MuWiki	15 lines of PHP.
WjKj	16 lines, 1,212 chars of Java
WyRiki	20 lines, 1,361 chars of Ruby
TinyWiki	28 lines of Perl.
Qiki	32 lines of Python.
FinikiWiki	38 lines of Perl.
RikiWiki	40 lines of Ruby.




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#!/usr/bin/perl  
use CGI ':all';
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path_info =~ /\w+ /;  
$_ = `grep -l $& *`.h1($&).escapeHTML$t=param(t) || `dd<$&`;
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open F, ">$&";  
print F$t;
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s/htt\S+I([A-Z]\w+){2,}/a{href,$&},$&/eg;  
print header, pre "$_<form>", submit, textarea t, $t, 9, 70
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-- Casey West
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Wiki Design Principles

*Open, Incremental, Organic,
Mundane, Universal, Overt,
Unified, Precise, Tolerant,
Observable, Convergent.*

Open Principle

Should a page be found to be incomplete or poorly organized, any reader can edit it as they see fit.

(also permeable)

Incremental Principle

*It must be both possible and useful
to cite unwritten pages.*

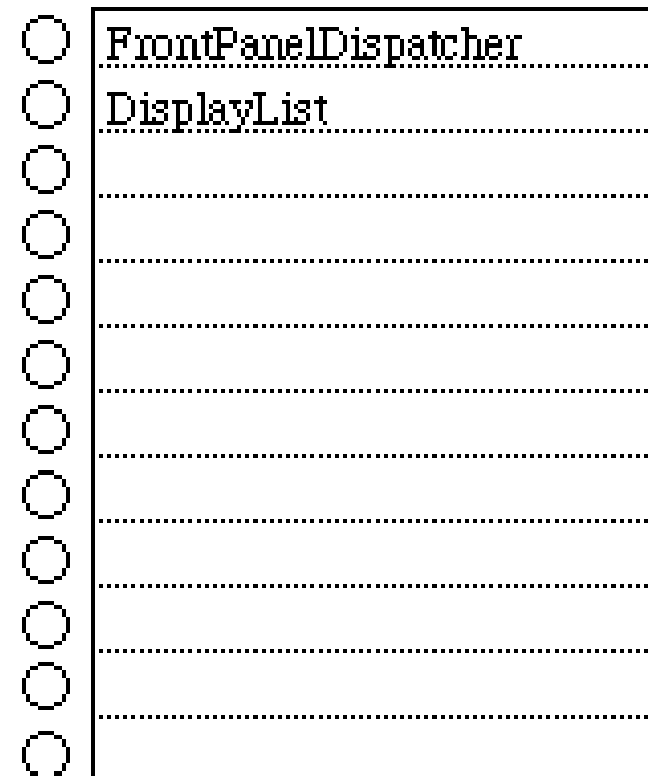
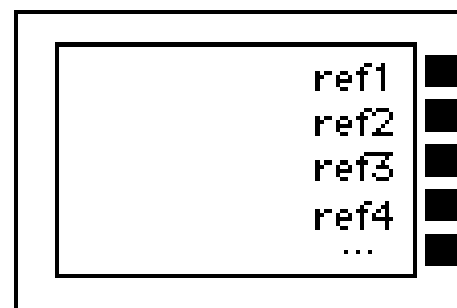
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○ BezelMenu



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The BezelMenu displays labels for active buttons and will provide scrolling when the number of active buttons exceeds that actually present in the bezel.



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All figures have
dependants which they
notify

Drawing
Locator
Group Figure

Line Figure

Connects two endpoints
which may be
locators.

Track Handle
Display Medium
Locator

Group Figure

Holds more figures.
(not in Drawing)

Forwards transformations

Cache image, void
on update of member.

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Organic Principle

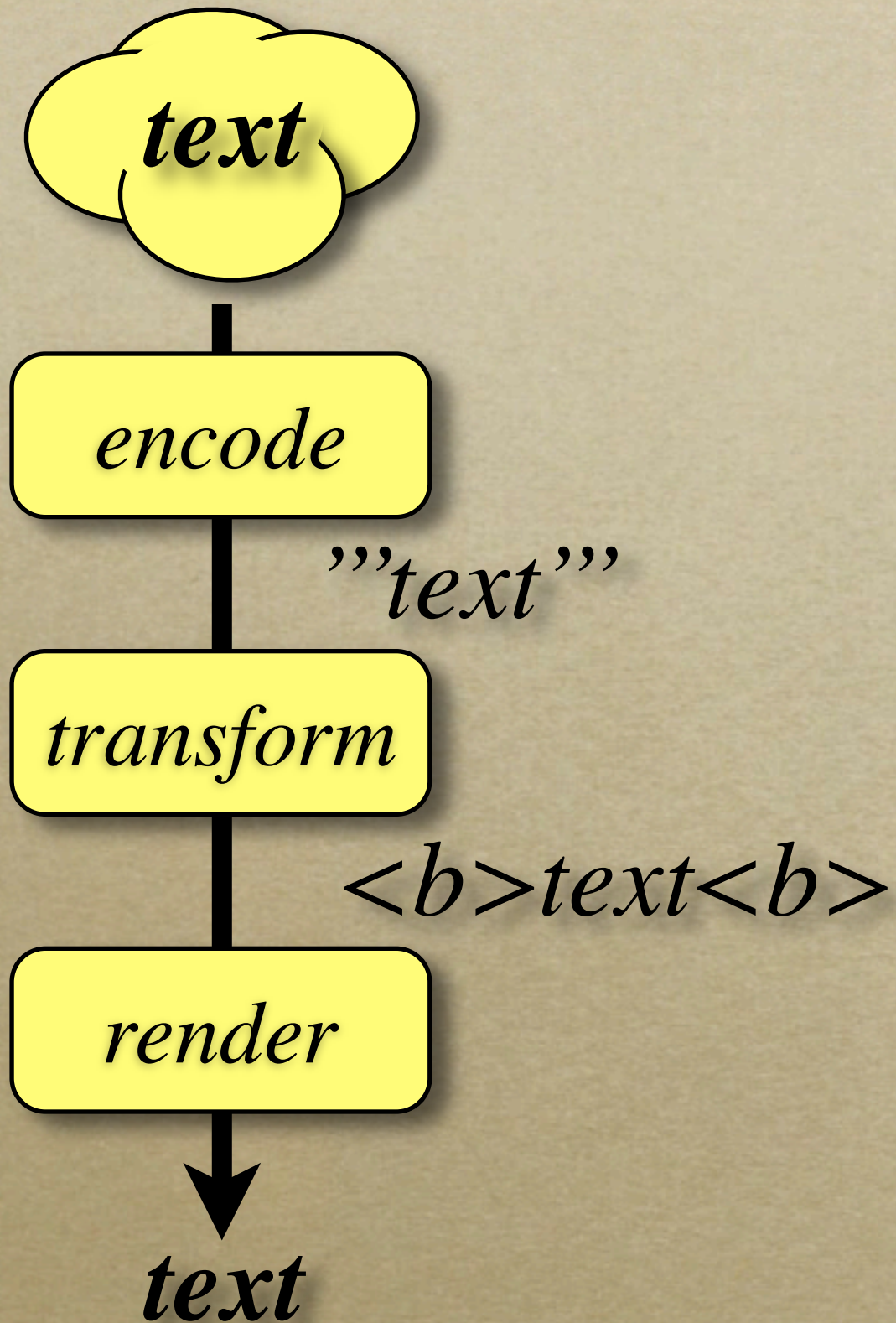
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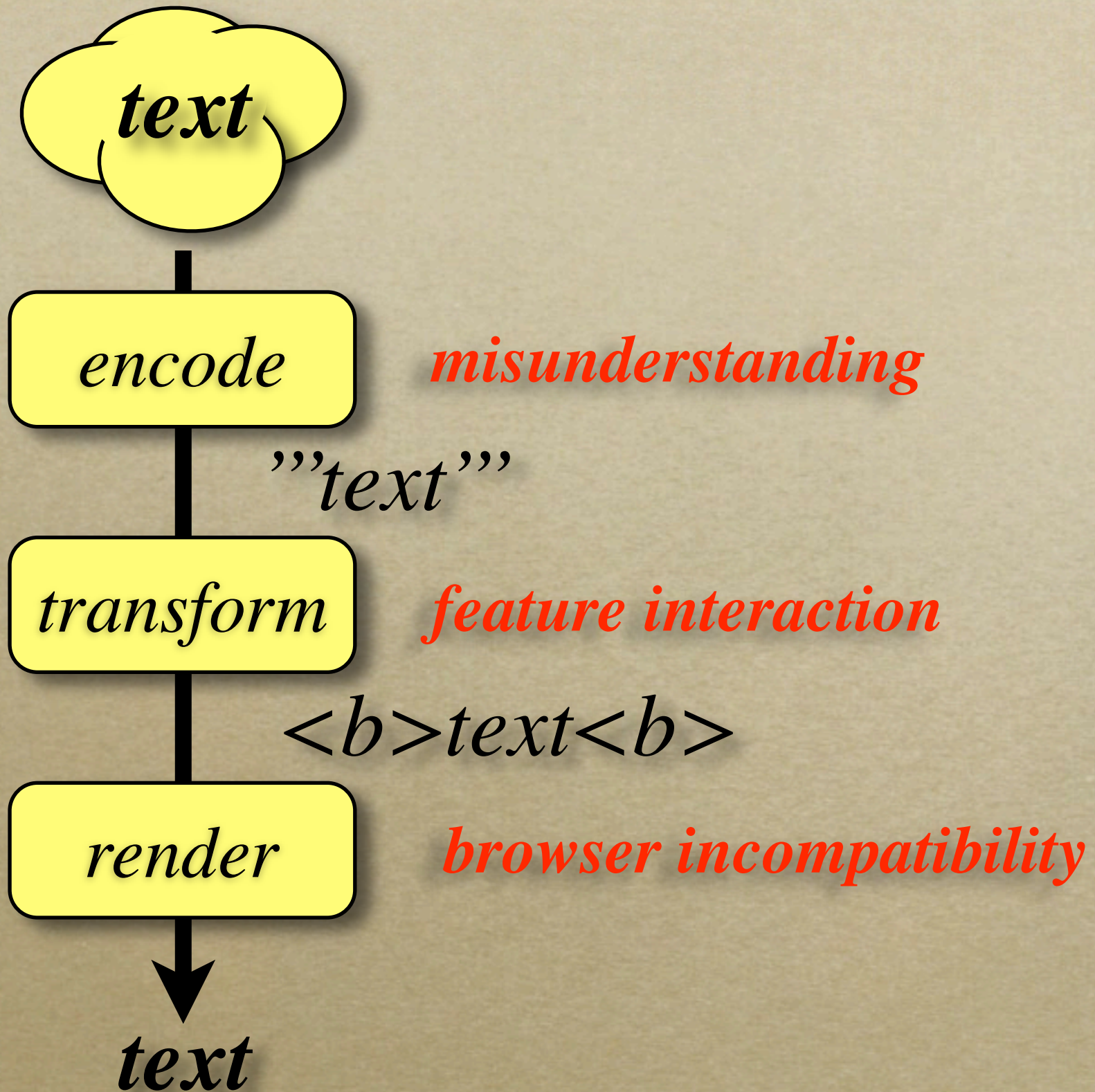
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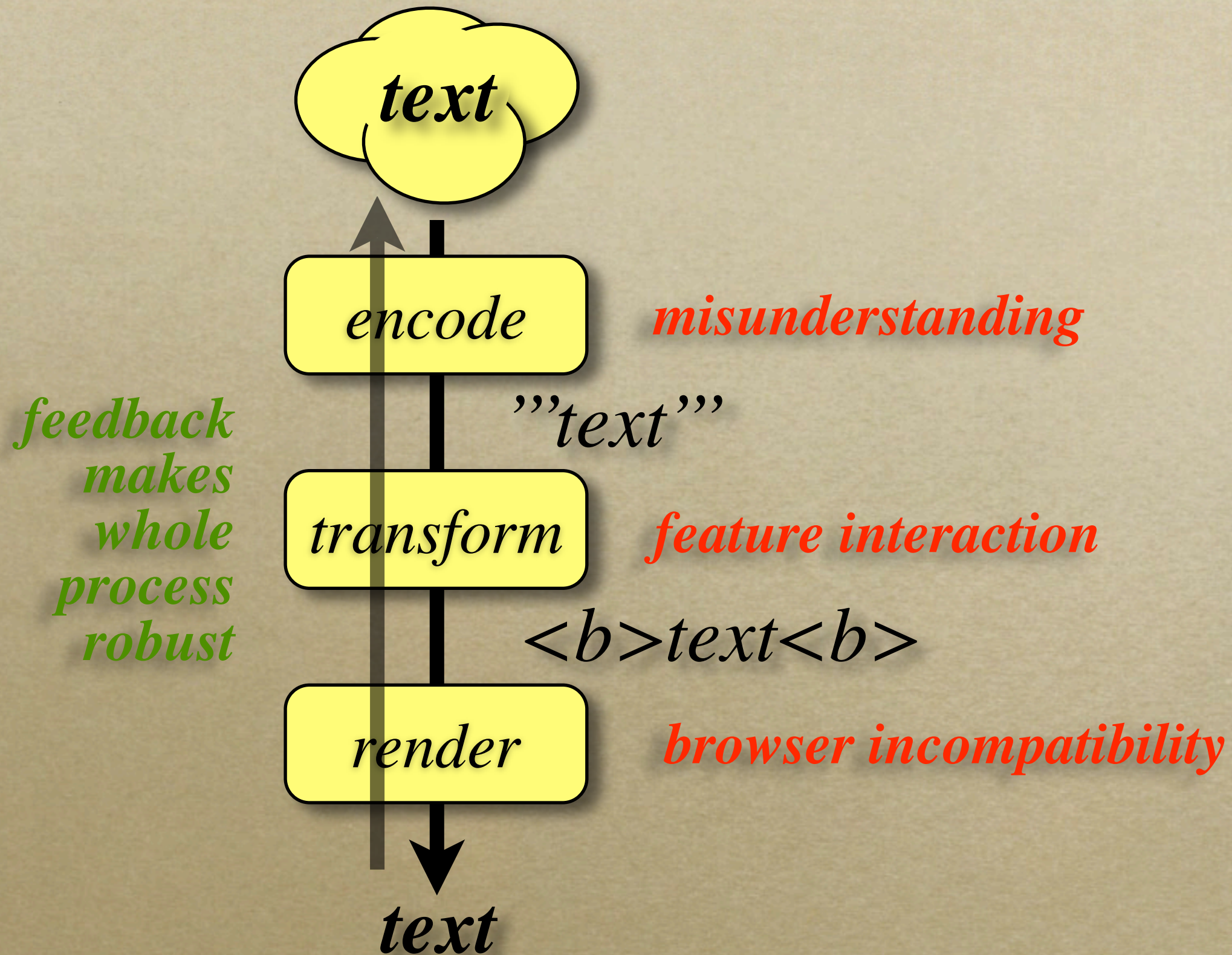
Mundane Principle

*A small number of conventions provide
all necessary formatting.*

(undistracted)







Universal Principle

The mechanisms of editing and organizing are the same as those of writing so that any writer is automatically and editor and organizer.

Overt Principle

*The formatted and printed output will suggest the input
required to reproduce it.*

(concrete)

Unified Principle

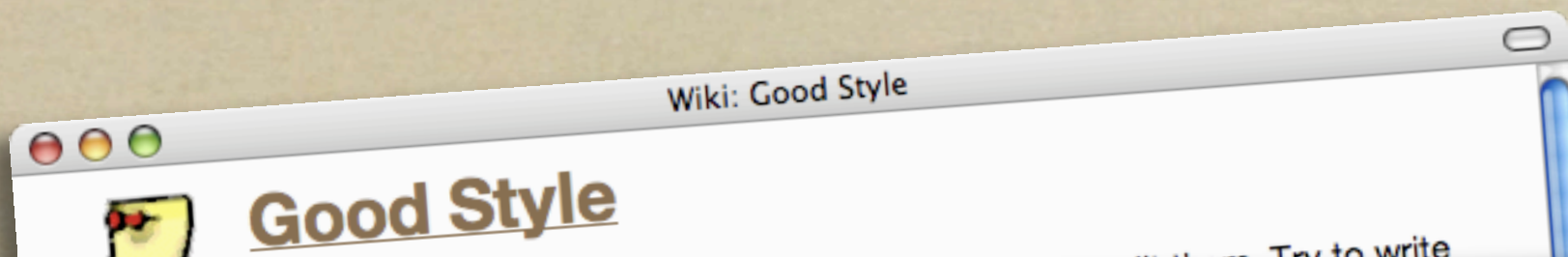
Page names will be drawn from a flat space so that no additional context is required to interpret them.

(vocabulary)

Precise Principle

Pages will be titled with sufficient precision to avoid most name clashes, typically by forming noun phrases.

(happy accidents)



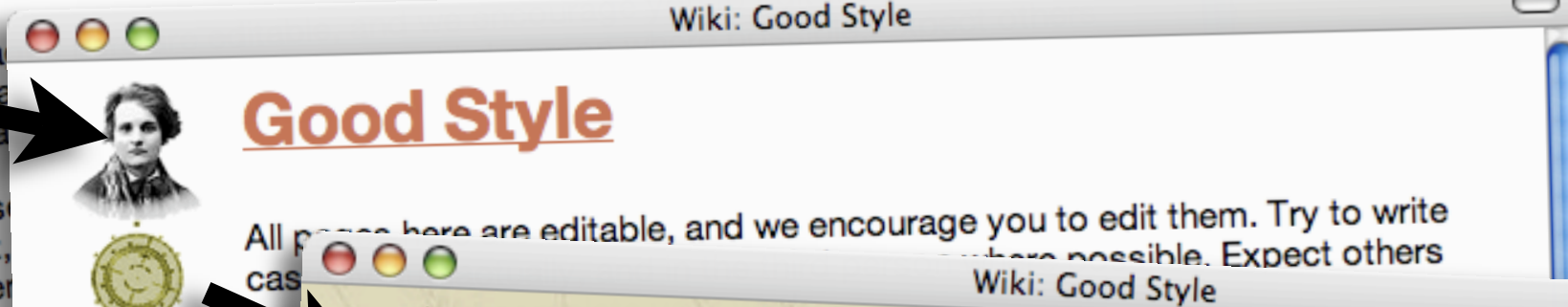
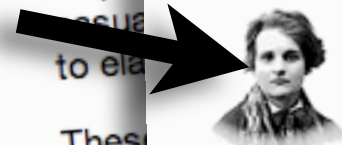
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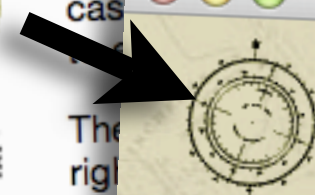
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Workshop Outline

1. Building a one-computer circuit that flashes code on an LED
2. Adding a second computer that plays sound instead
3. Adding a third computer that will adjust speed, tempo or both
4. Adding a fourth computer that will display parameters on TV

Supplies

You will need to bring: a [Solderless Breadboard](#) (like [RadioShack 276-175](#)), a battery holder (like [RadioShack 270-398](#)), two appropriate, #22 hook-up wire preferably red, and a pair of wire-strippers.



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an LED, a 100



Radio Shack

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Radio Shack



Radio Shack

The small cabin near the bridge where the ship's telegraph operator kept his equipment and sent his messages became known as the *radio shack*. The notion that one could talk to ships at sea captured the imagination of amateur experimenters who fueled a cottage industry. Your local [RadioShack](#) may have one small corner devoted to tools and parts. Think of it as a small shrine to the founders of our industry. Stop by, buy some parts, and build something.

At one time, it had some use as a an electronics hobby-shop; back when someone handy with a soldering iron could build gear as good as what was available commercially. Nowadays, surface mount technology and high levels of integration have done tremendous damage to electronics as a hobby; no matter how handy you are with a soldering iron; you're not gonna successfully solder that ball grid array.

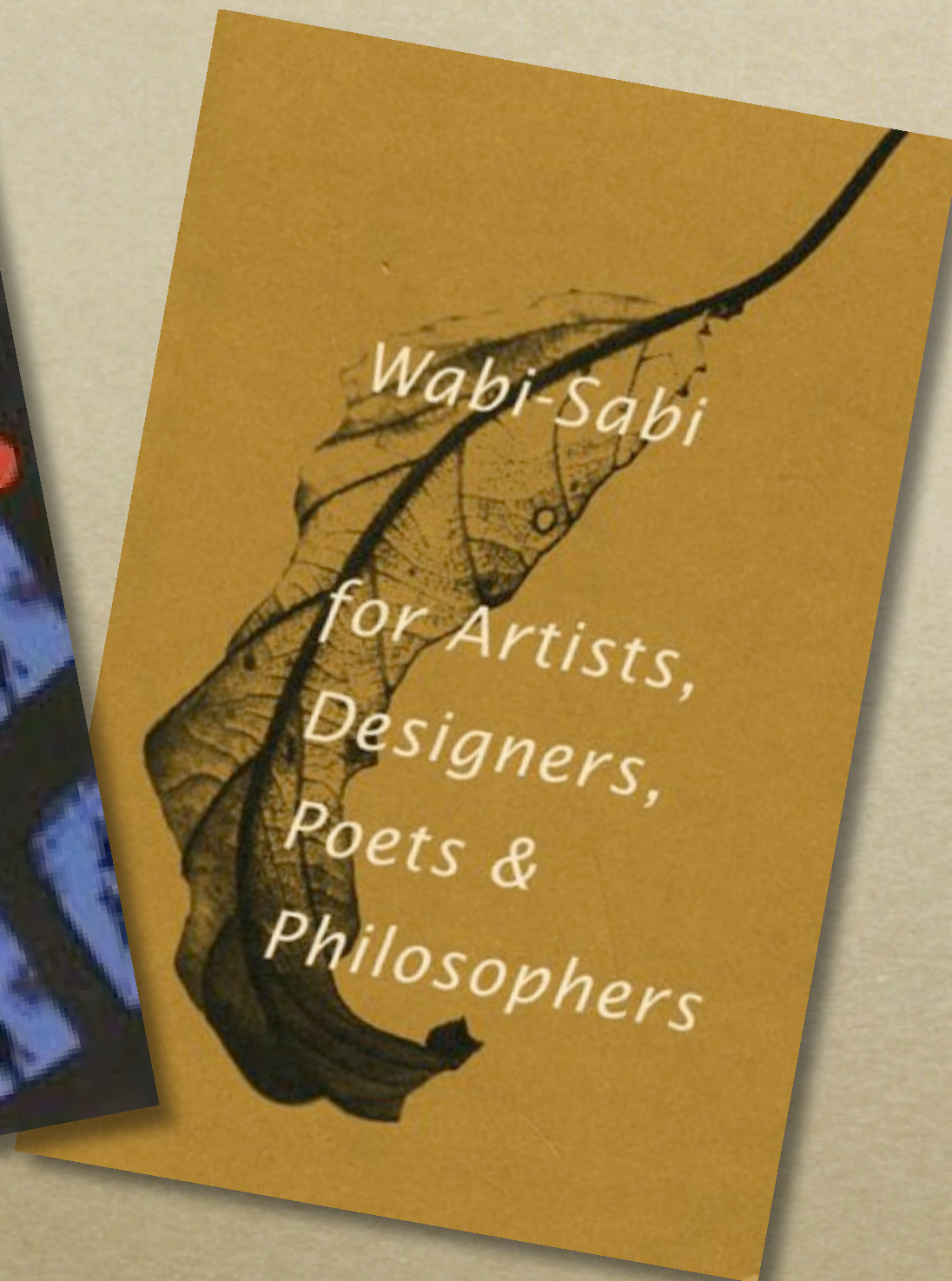
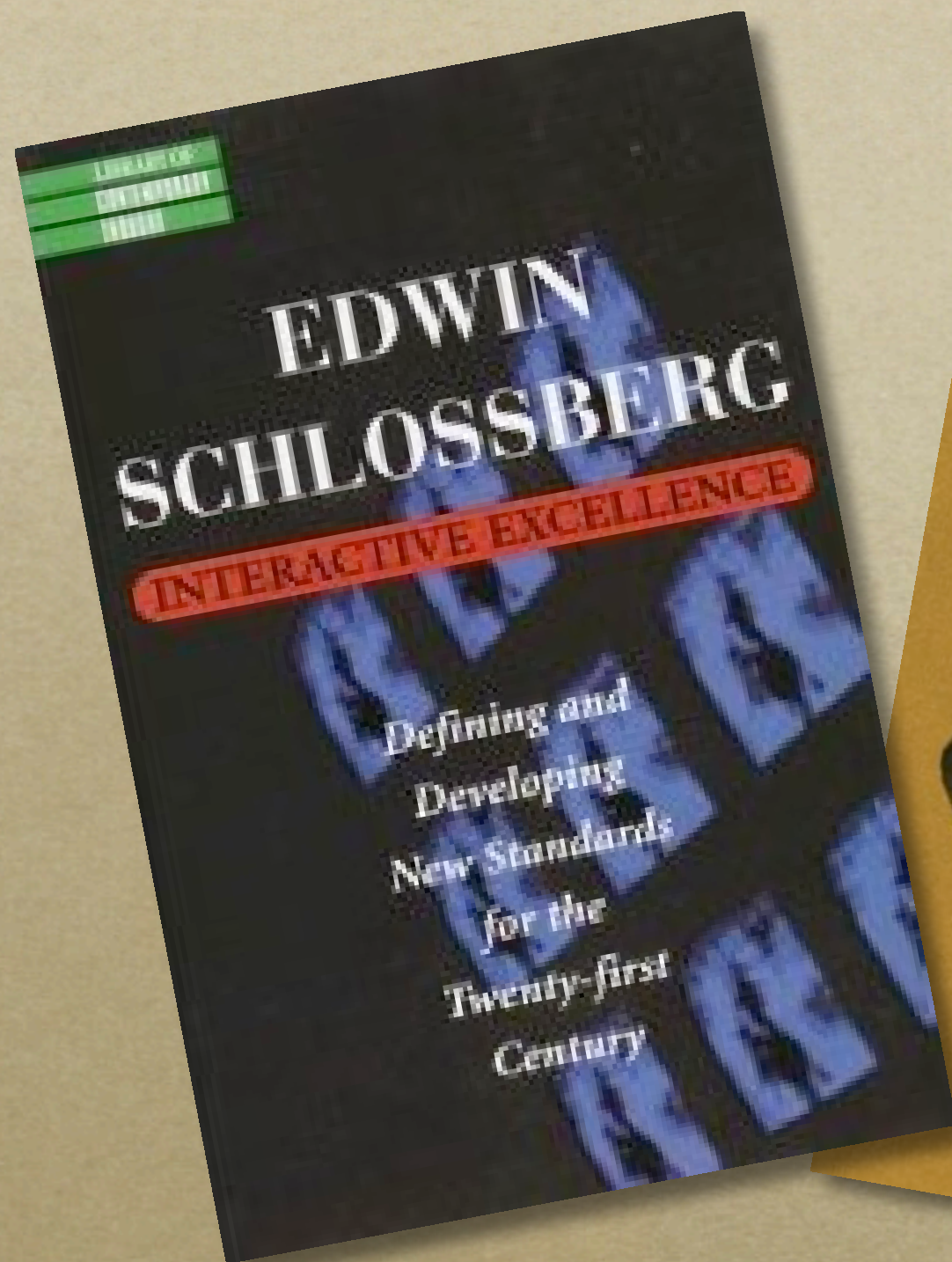
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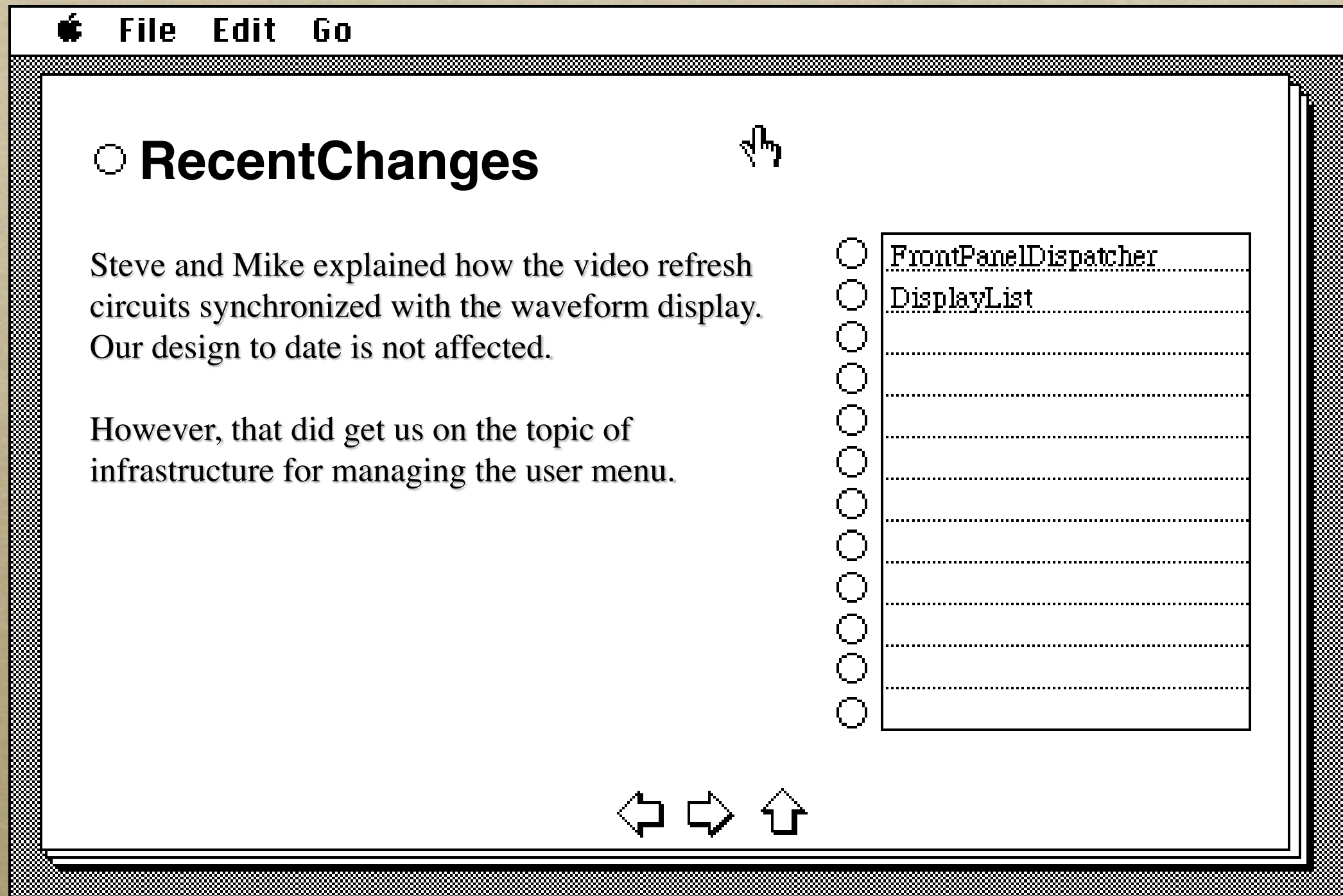
Tolerant Principle

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Observable Principle

*Activity within the site can be watched and reviewed
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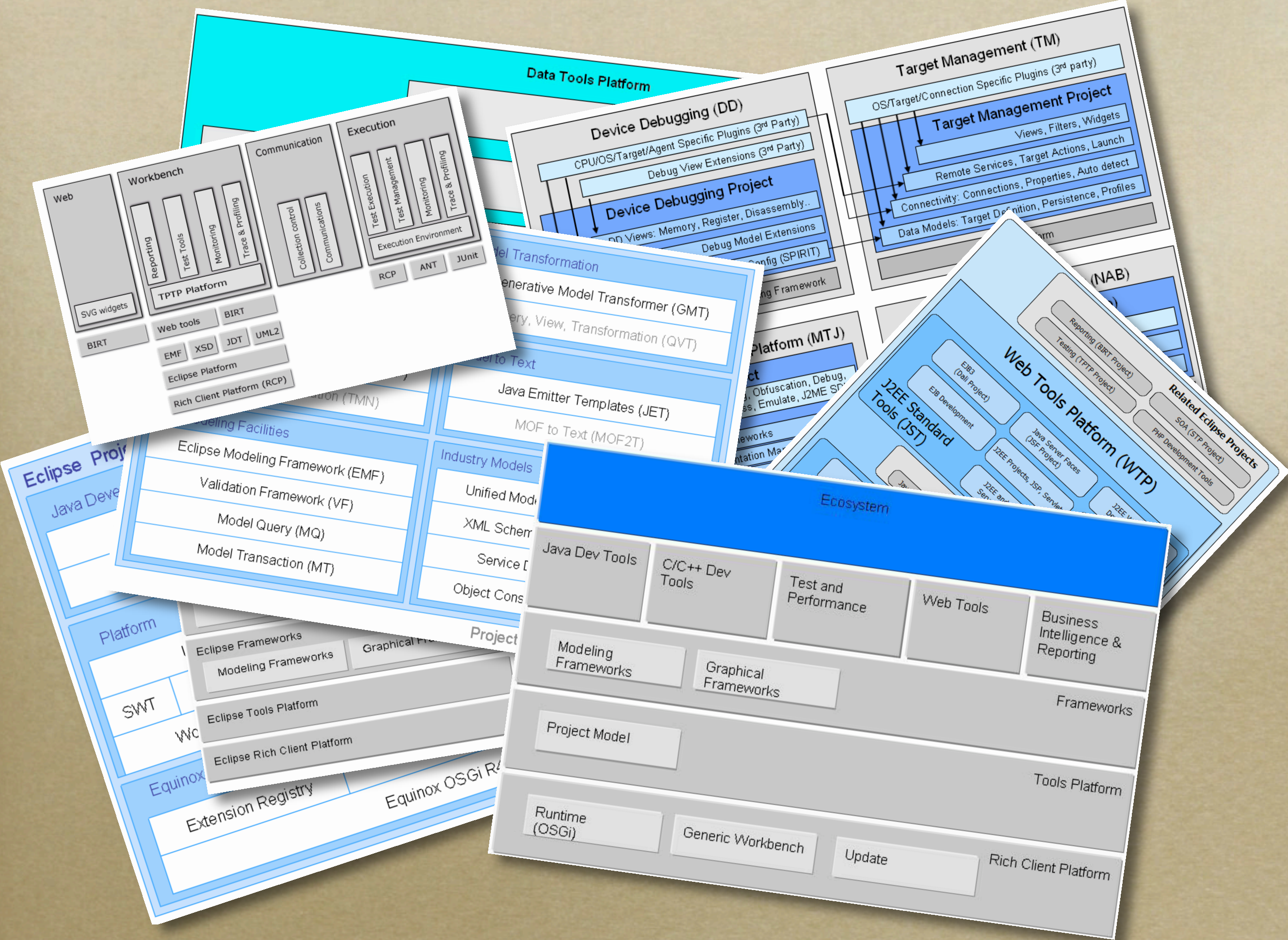




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Convergent Principle

Ambiguity and duplication can be removed by finding and citing similar or related content.



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J2EE Standard Tools (JST)

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Frameworks

JST
Server

Java Developer Tools

EMF JEM

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Monitors

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CSS,
Javascript

XML,
Schema,
DTD,
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Web Service
Development

Common
Frameworks
(e.g. Facets)

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Databases
(Future:
move to
DTP)

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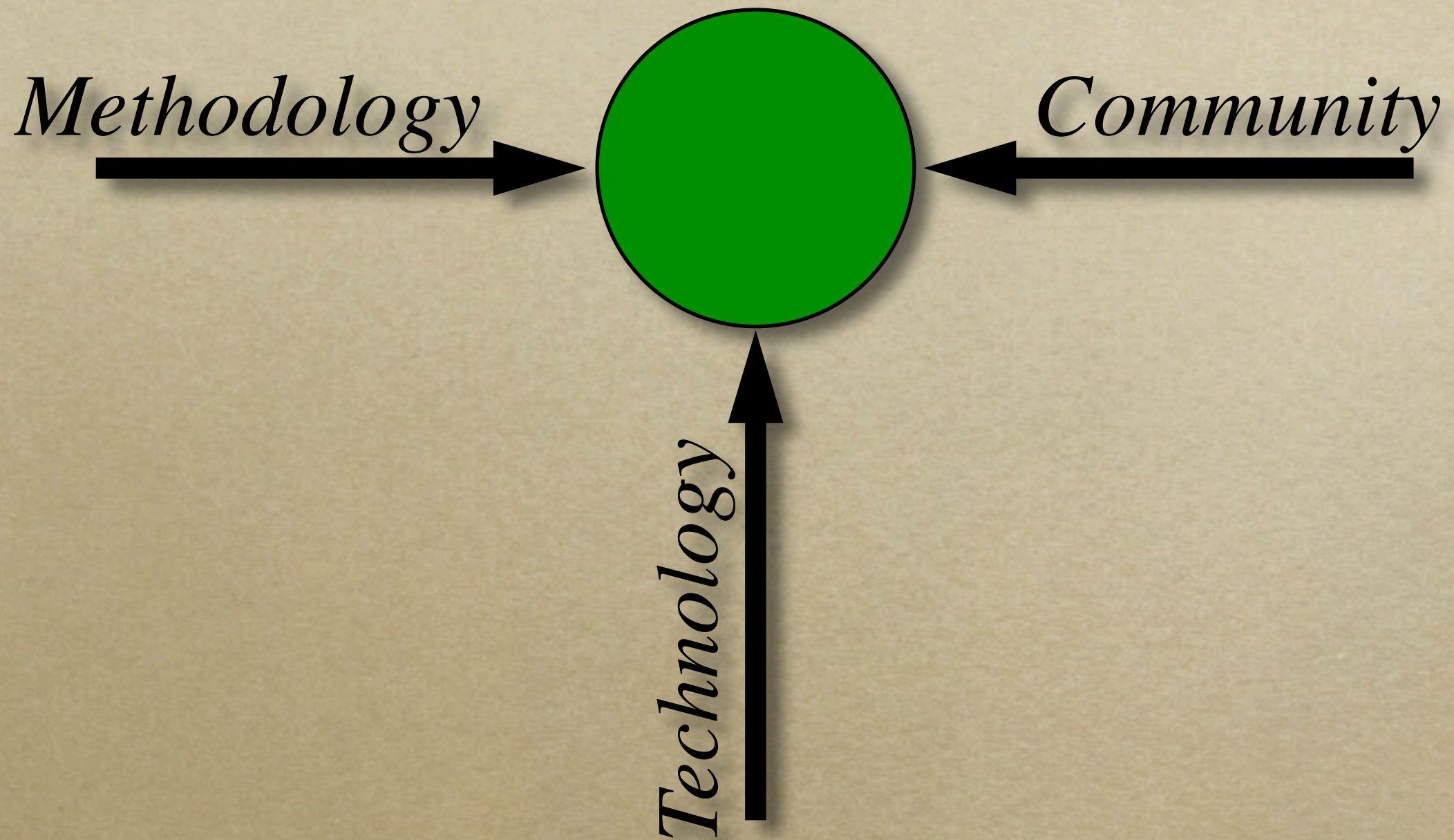
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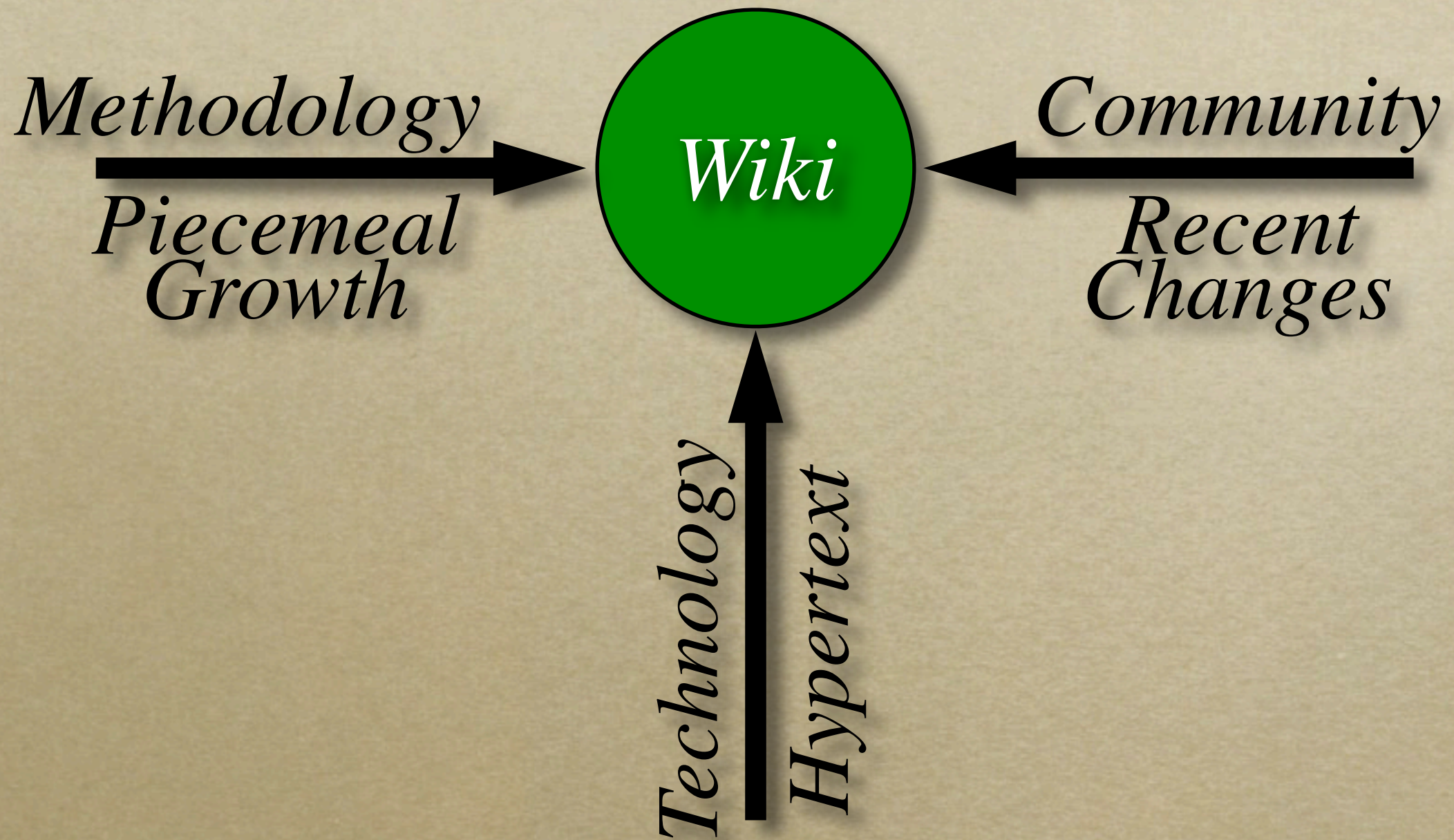
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Wiki Nature

wiki as a meme vector





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Sweet spot of new technology
Assemble, guide and transform community
Leave room for other's innovation

