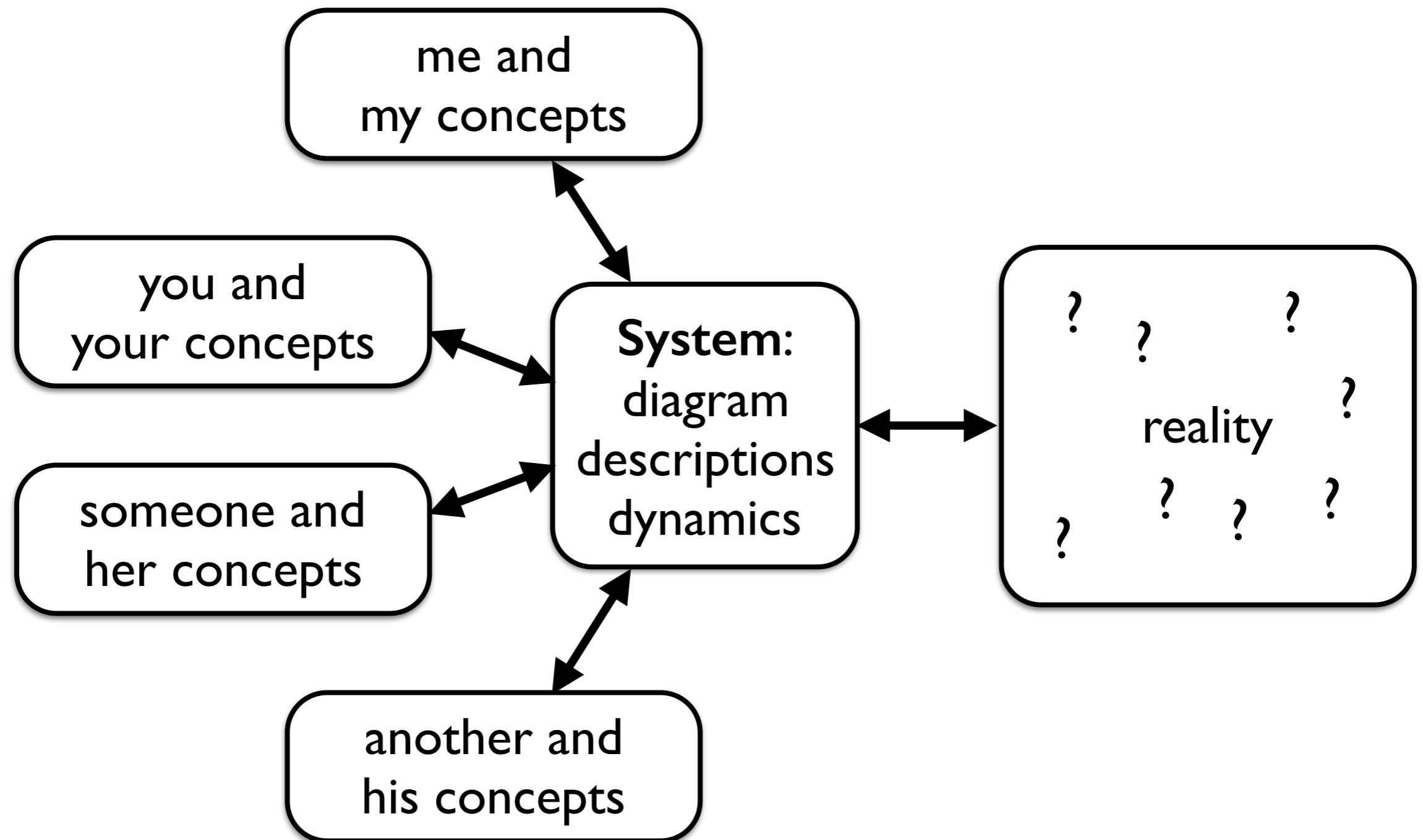


Applying The Systems Perspective



When And Why

- More than 4 chunks
- Designing a new project
- Perplexing issue
- Need a shared understanding
- Resolving conflicts
- For the delight of discovery

Surface Your Thoughts

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- What are the **key parts** in your system?
- What are the **key relationships** in your system?
- Use flexible tools: post-its, software, lists



WHY BLOG?

Develop ideas

Personal expression

Professional profiles

Identity

Start

For an external (and public) viewpoint

Personal space for thoughts

WordPress (MIT)

Twitter - microblogging

To connect with others

Micro-blogging: immediate/instant updates (LIVE FEED)

a culture of progress

As a collection of memory/journey

Academic

New media

Real-time updating

To keep up-to-date

Argument

Conversation

Socialization

to create content

A space for idea collaborations (links & links)

To know

academic purposes

Train writing skills/capability

promote art/music/other creative property

Public arena

Podcasts

to explore ideas in an academic sense via writing/discussion with others

fill = \$ fill = expression

connect to other bloggers

Share information interests

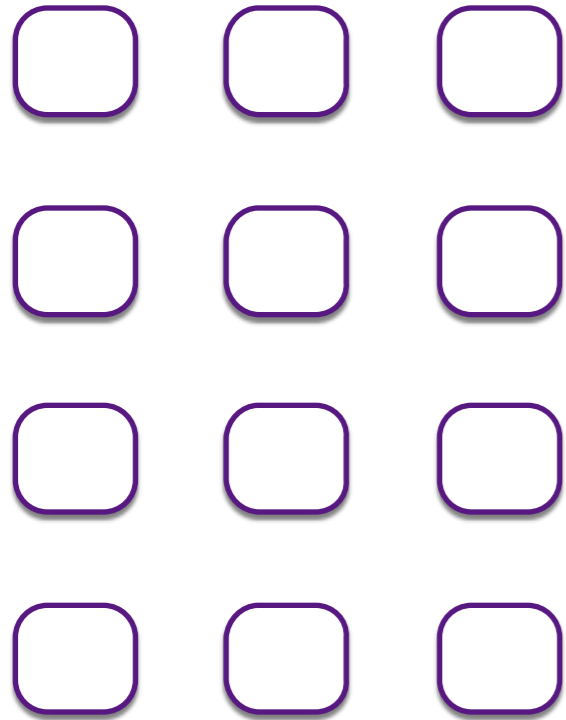
Expand network

Sign of expertise

LINKS

Youtube & public domain

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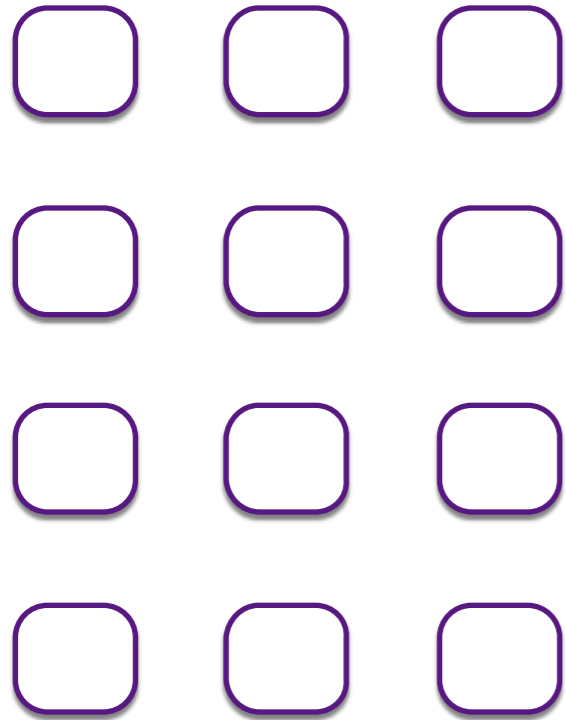


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- Shares those chunks; allows group brain dump
- Doesn't require a story

Stories vs. Maps

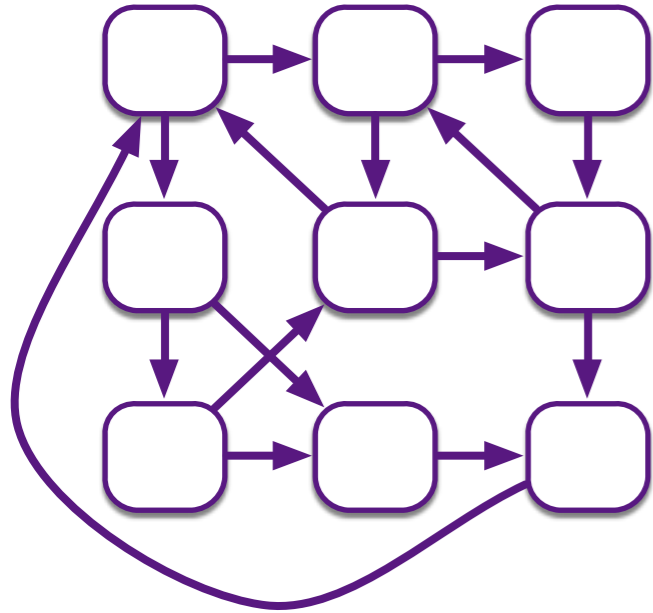
	Stories	Maps
Character	a linear trail through the landscape of thought	a multi-dimensional container for unlimited stories
Best for	describing the past or a single scenario	creative design or exploring possibilities
Downside	puts you in a groove	you must choose the path to take

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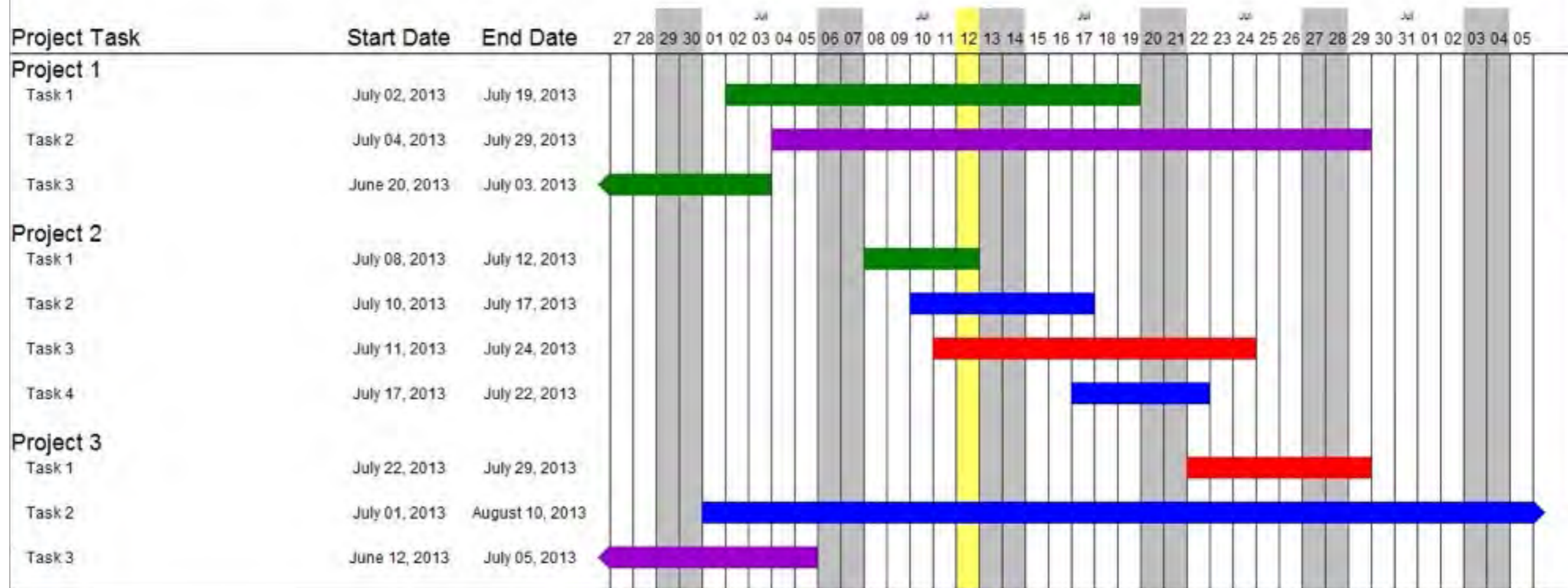
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- Doesn't require a story
- Essential neutral starting point for making links

Build The Diagram



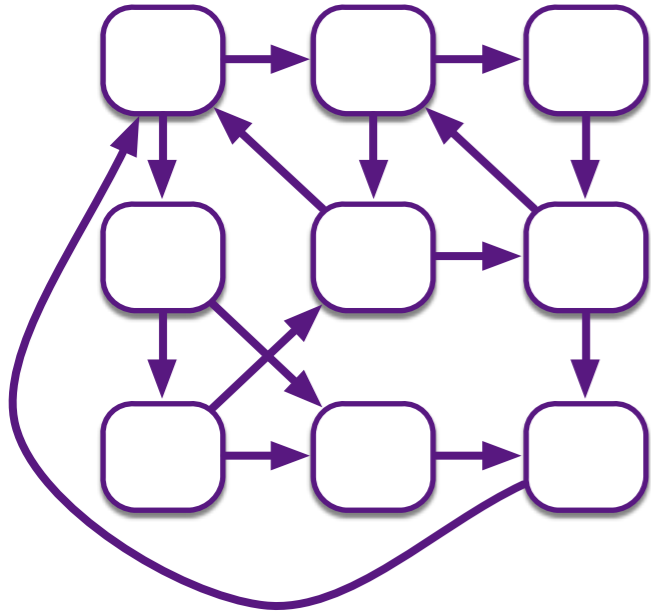
- Start simple; start comfortable
- Timeline or structure diagram?

Timeline



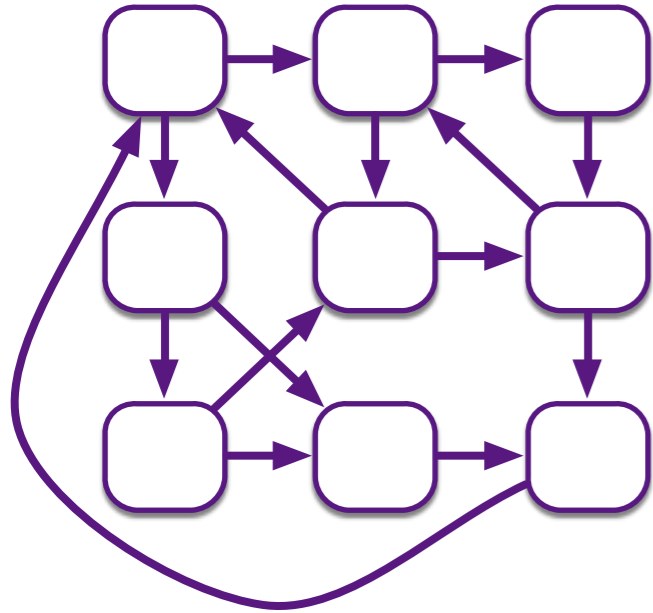
Gantt Chart

Build The Diagram



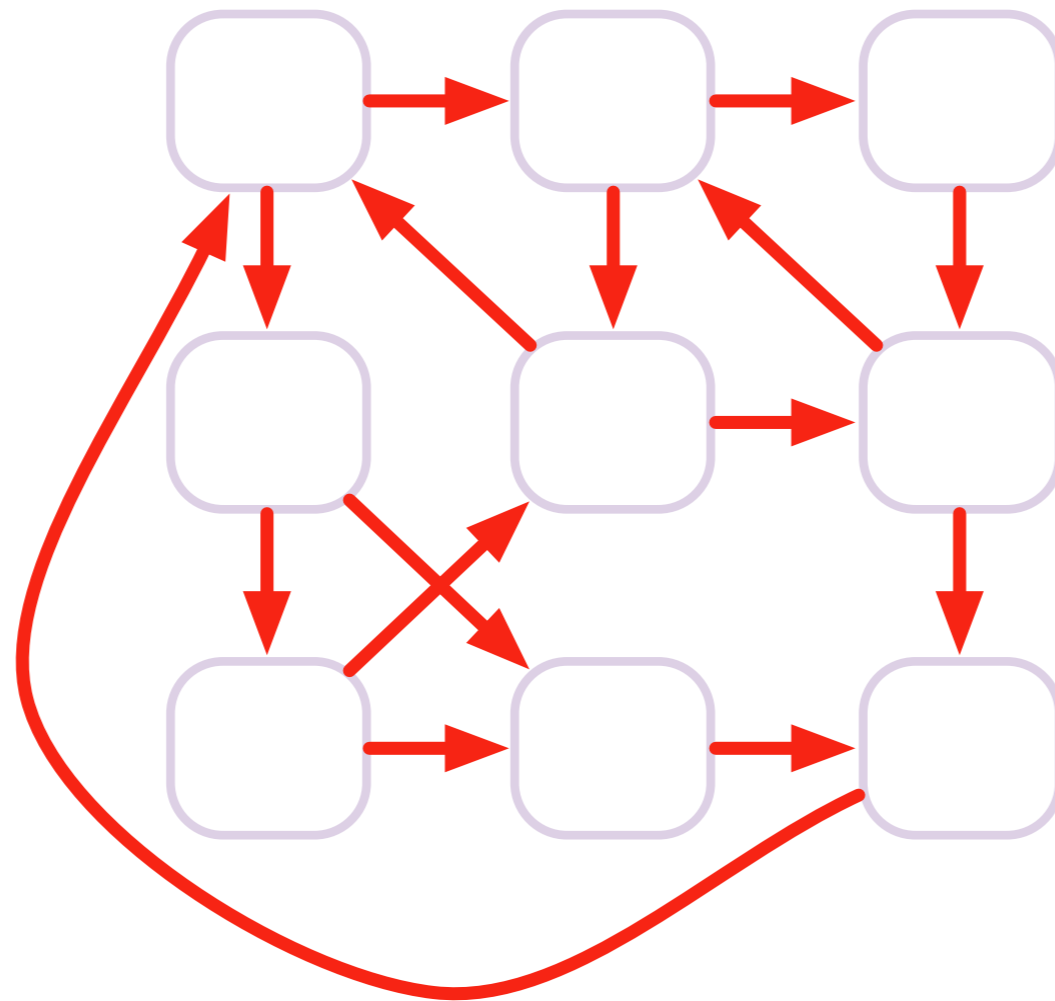
- Start simple; start comfortable
- Timeline or structure diagram?
- It's an art, just like making a good outline
- Expect to grow and refine your diagram over time

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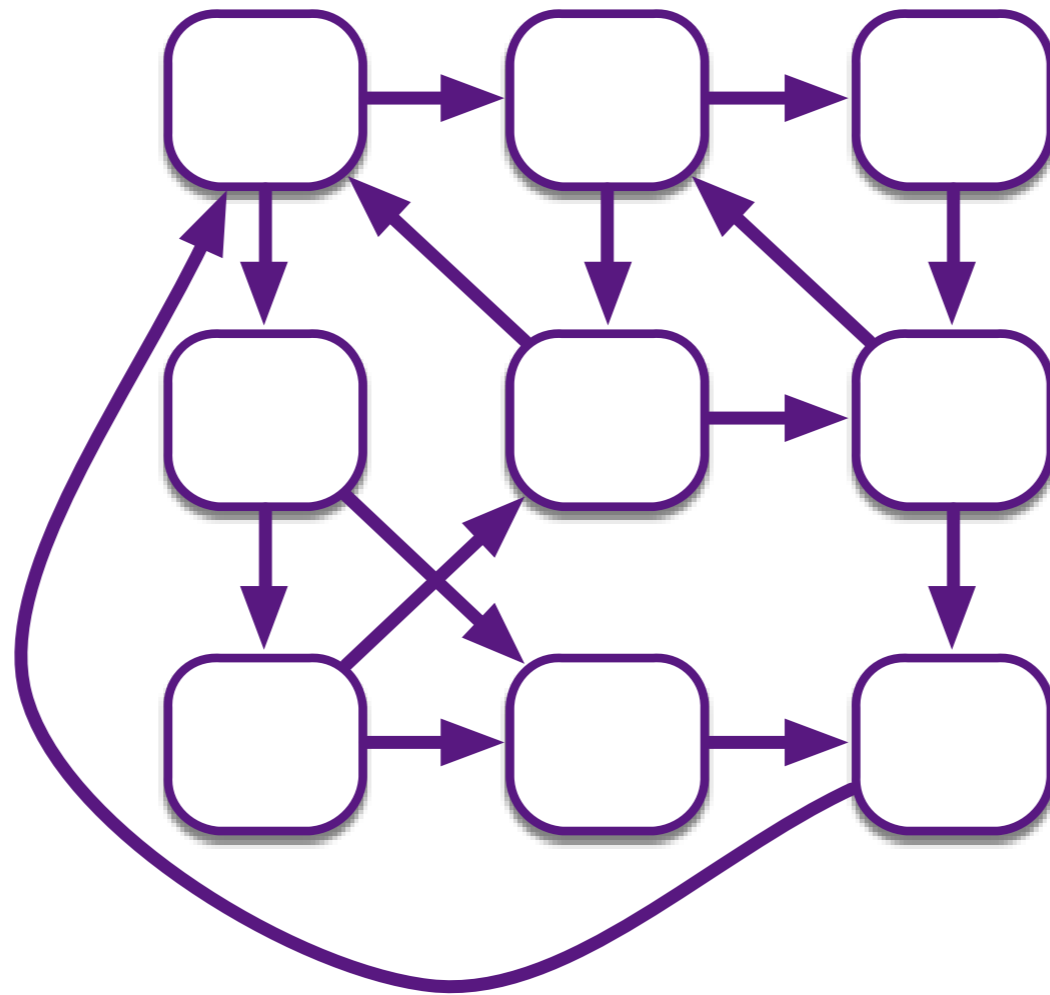


- Externalizes many more chunks *and* relationships than we can hold internally

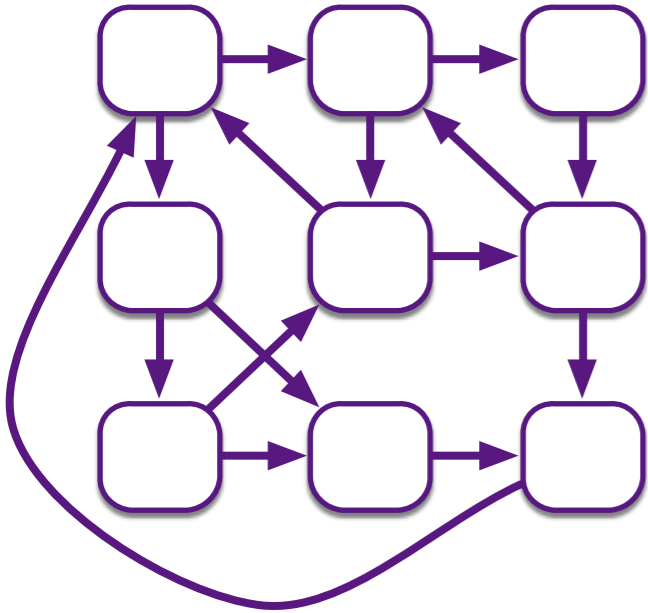
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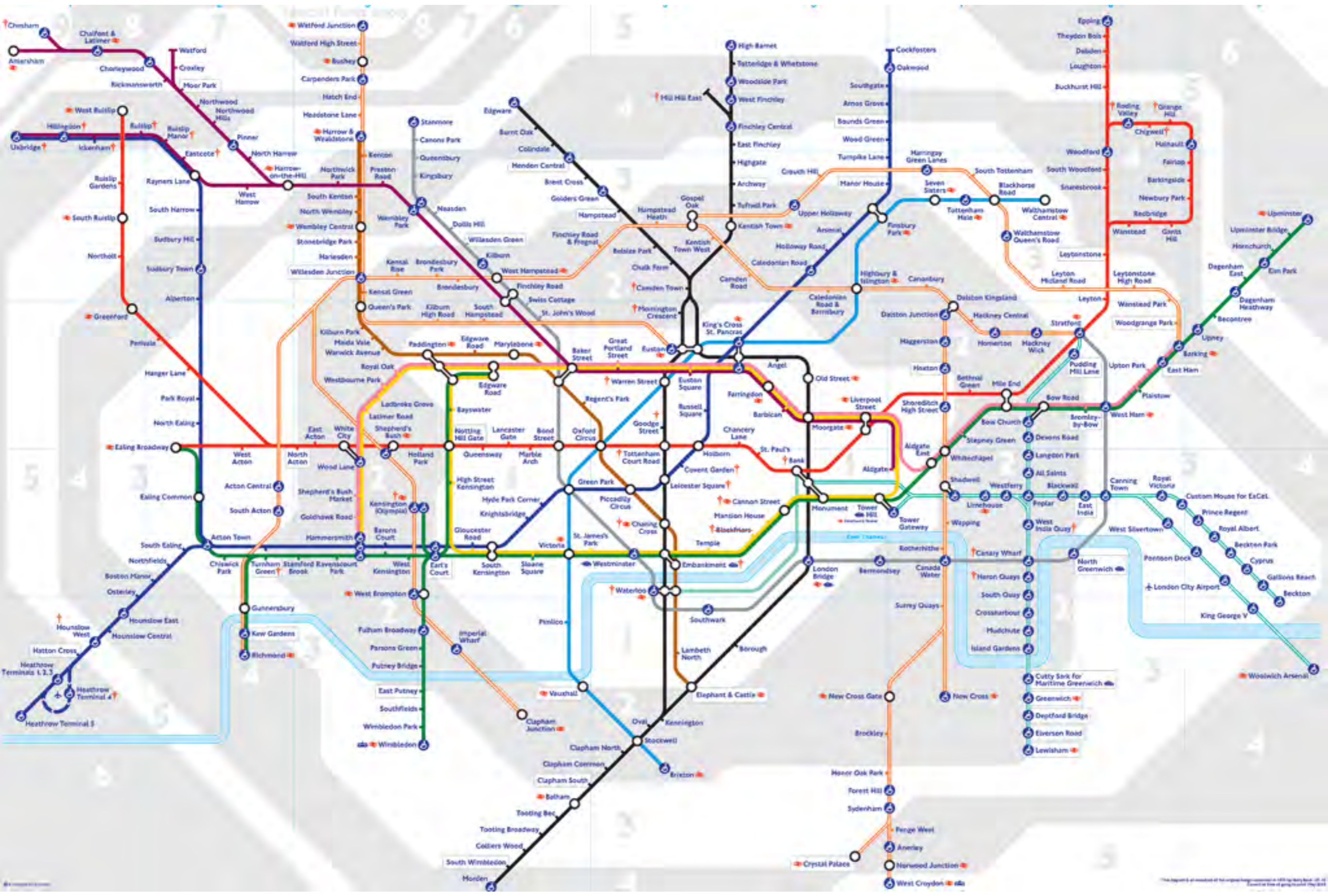
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The Value Of This Second Step



- Externalizes many more chunks *and* relationships than we can hold internally
- Shares those elements; allows group modeling
- Models many aspects of the real world better than linear stories
- Supports multiple valid stories



Add Descriptions



- Give depth to the diagram
- Keep diverse views
- Only do what serves

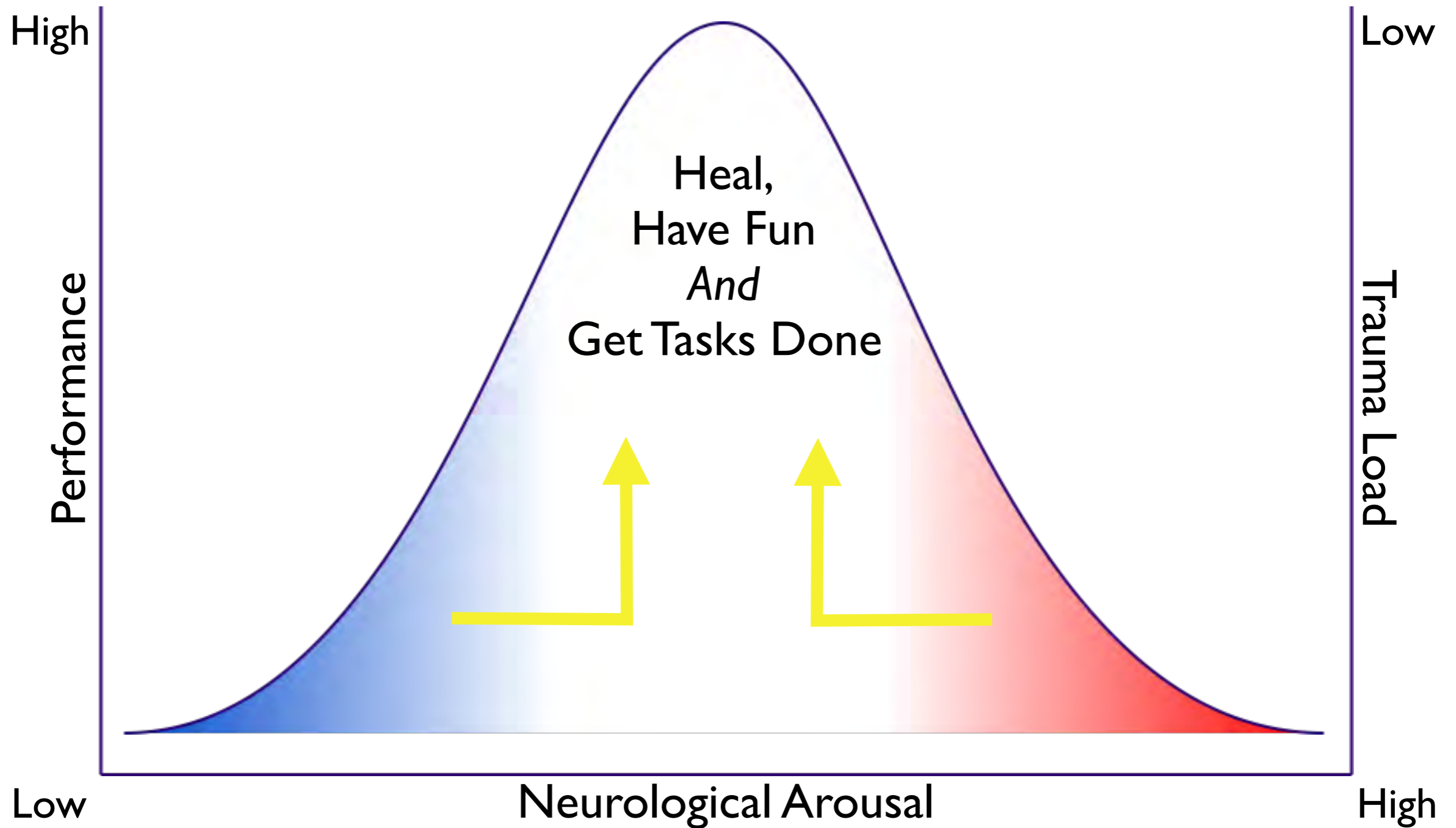
Add Dynamics



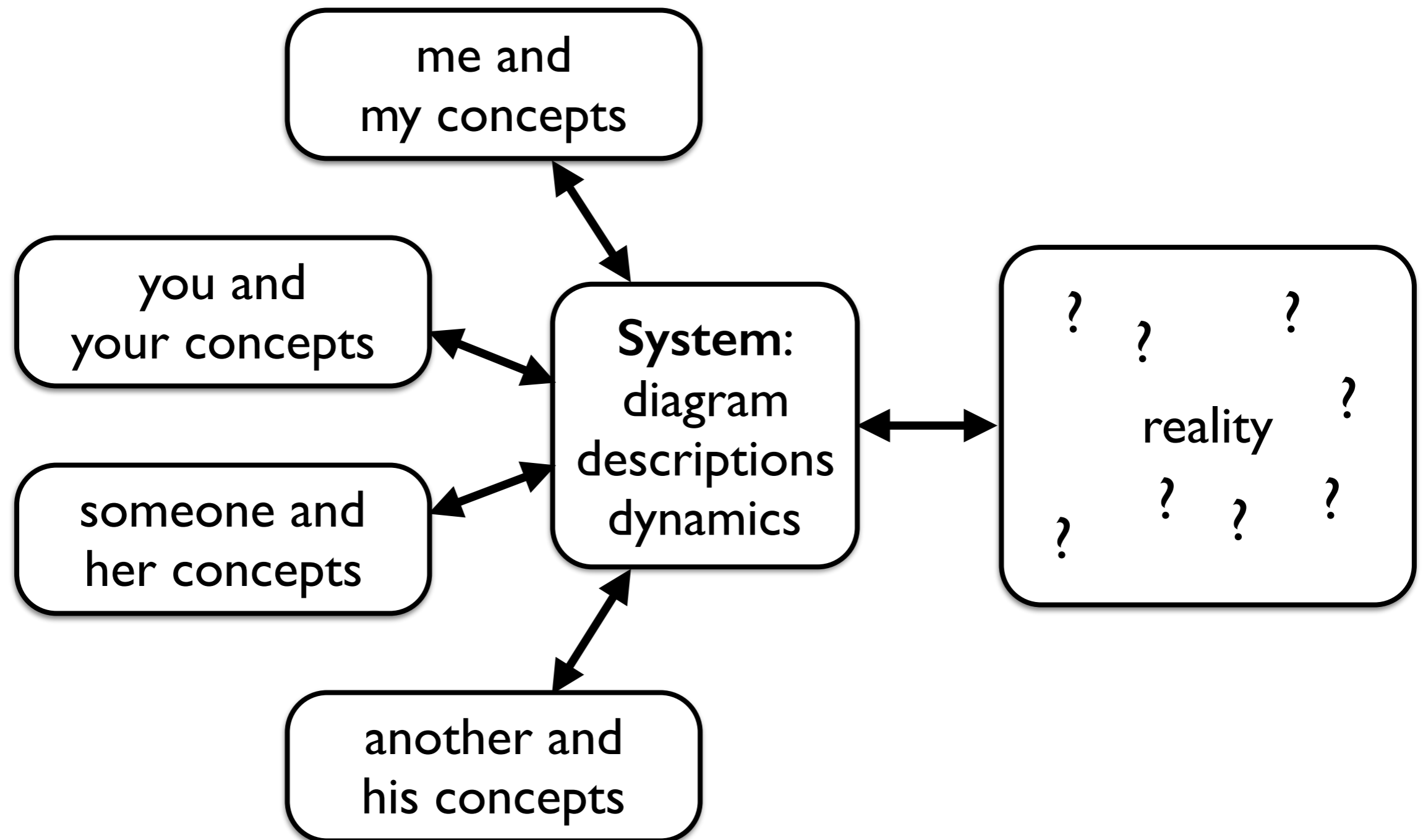
- Can be qualitative or math
- Build in appropriate “sliders”
- Only do what serves

What can *you* do
to move more gracefully
into the Planetary Era?

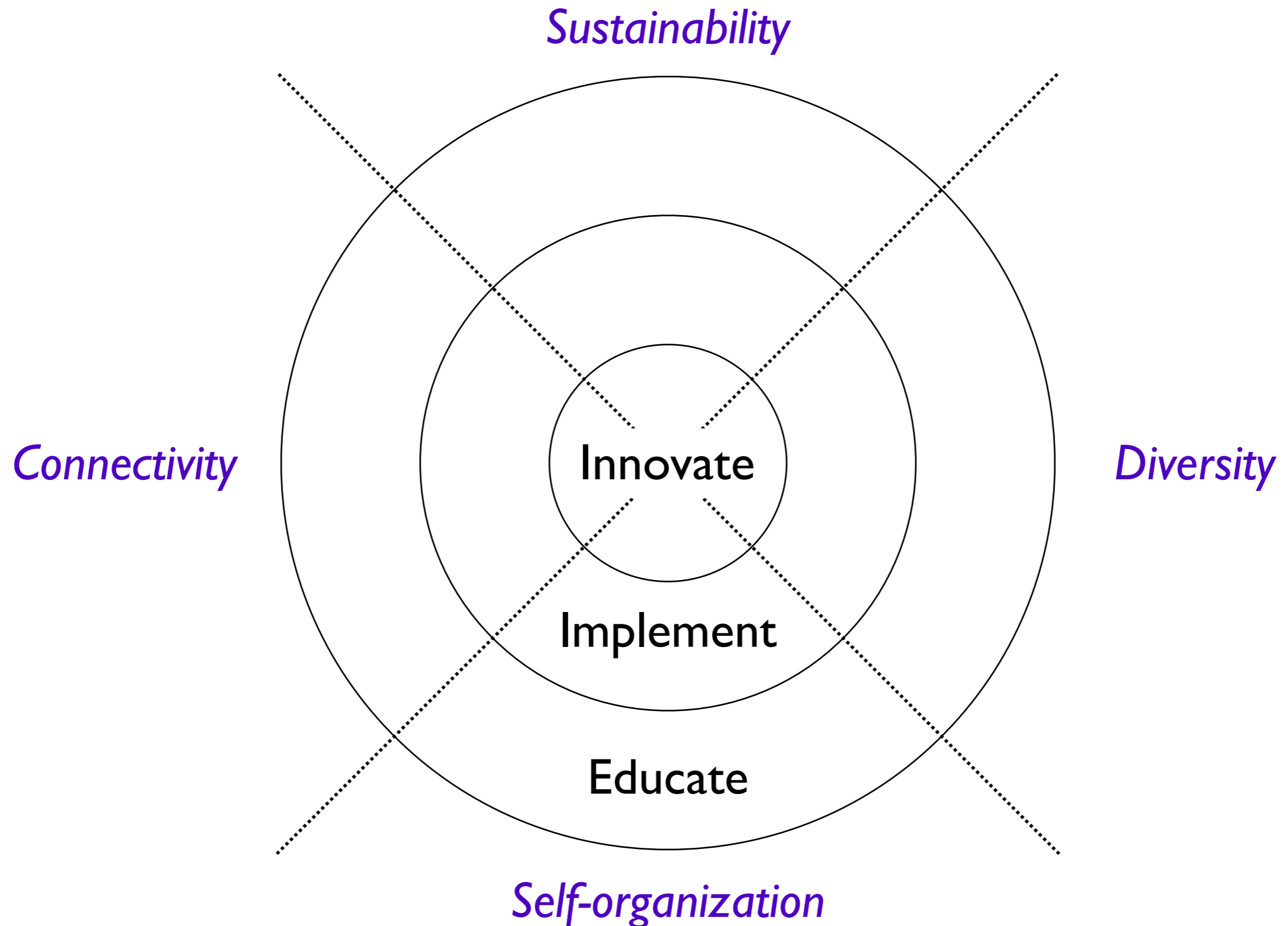
Inhabit Your Optimal Zone



Use A Systems Perspective



Find Your Way To Make A Difference



A single water droplet is captured in mid-air, just above a pool of water. The droplet is perfectly spherical and reflects light. Below it, a thin stem of water connects the droplet to the surface. The impact has created several concentric ripples that spread outwards from the center. The background is a solid, vibrant blue.

Thank You!

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