

Methods of Creative Collaboration



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• Craft



Studio Practice



Collaborative Work



Material Investigation



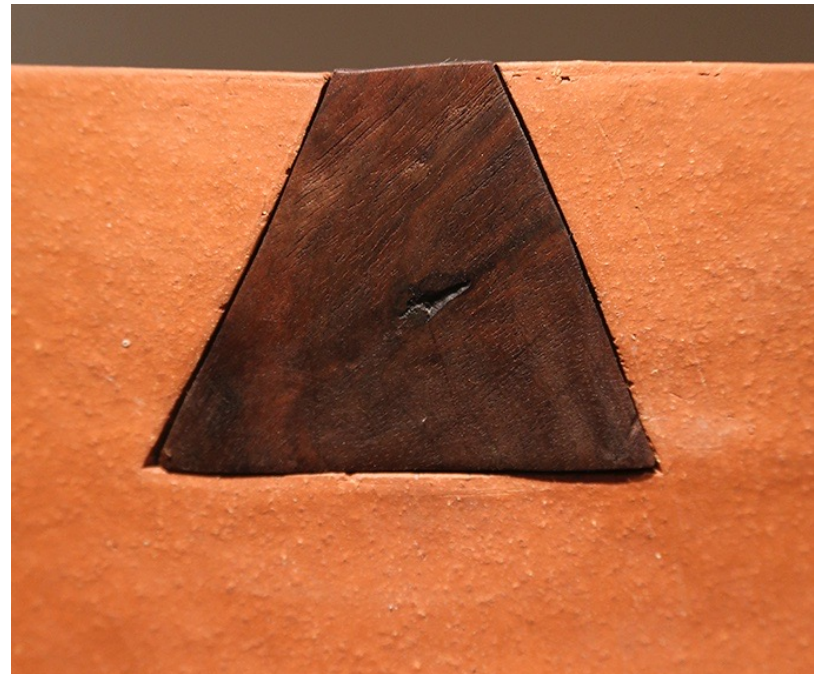
Community Development



Open Juncti



In Union





Formed Juncture







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Juncture #6 (Anthony)

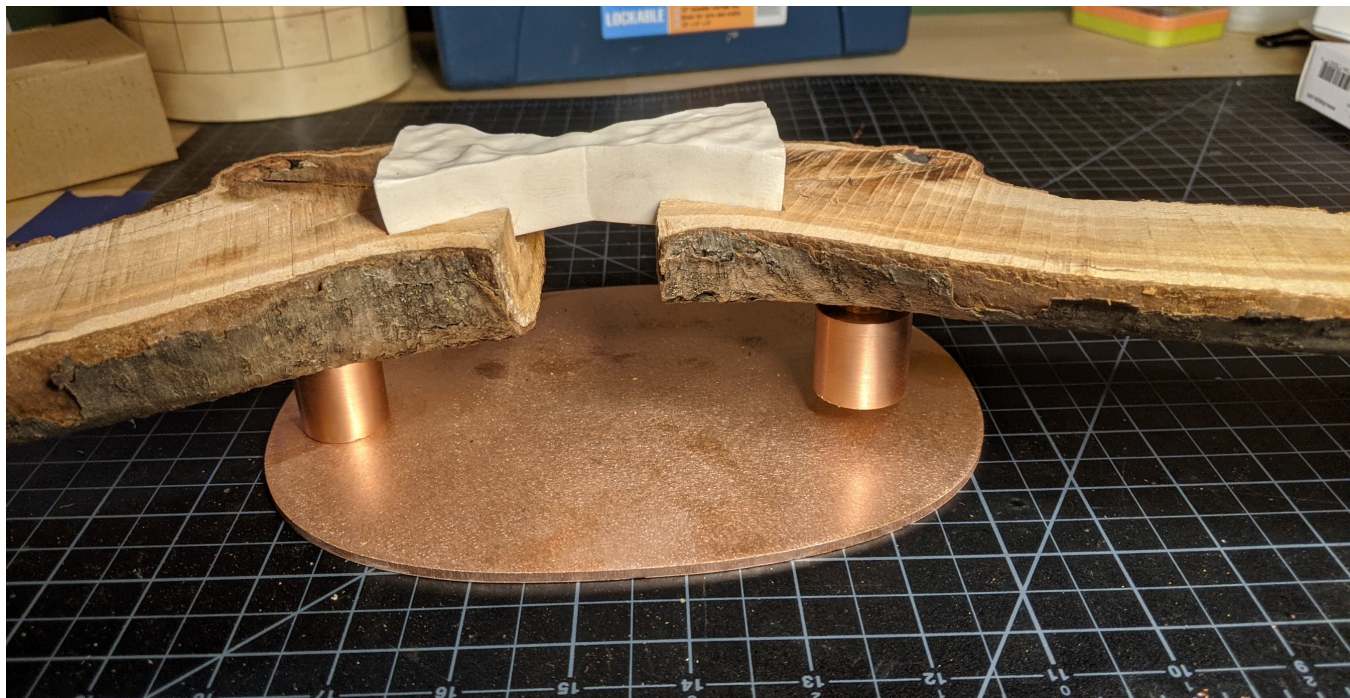


Juncture #6 (William)





Juncture #3
(envelop)



Key Traits of Collaboration



Trust (Clarity)  Communication 

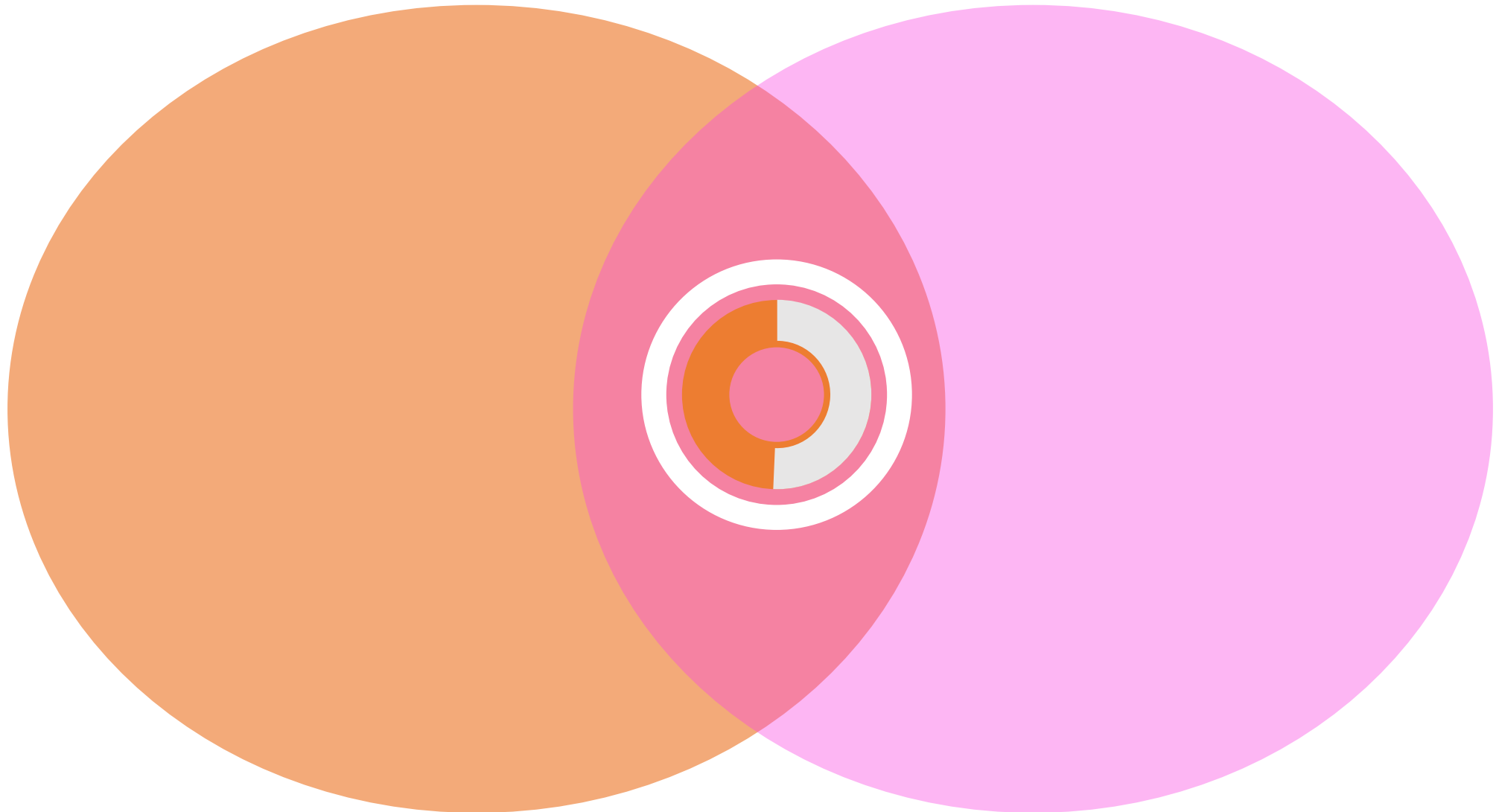
Play  Yes, and... 

Structure  Dissonance 

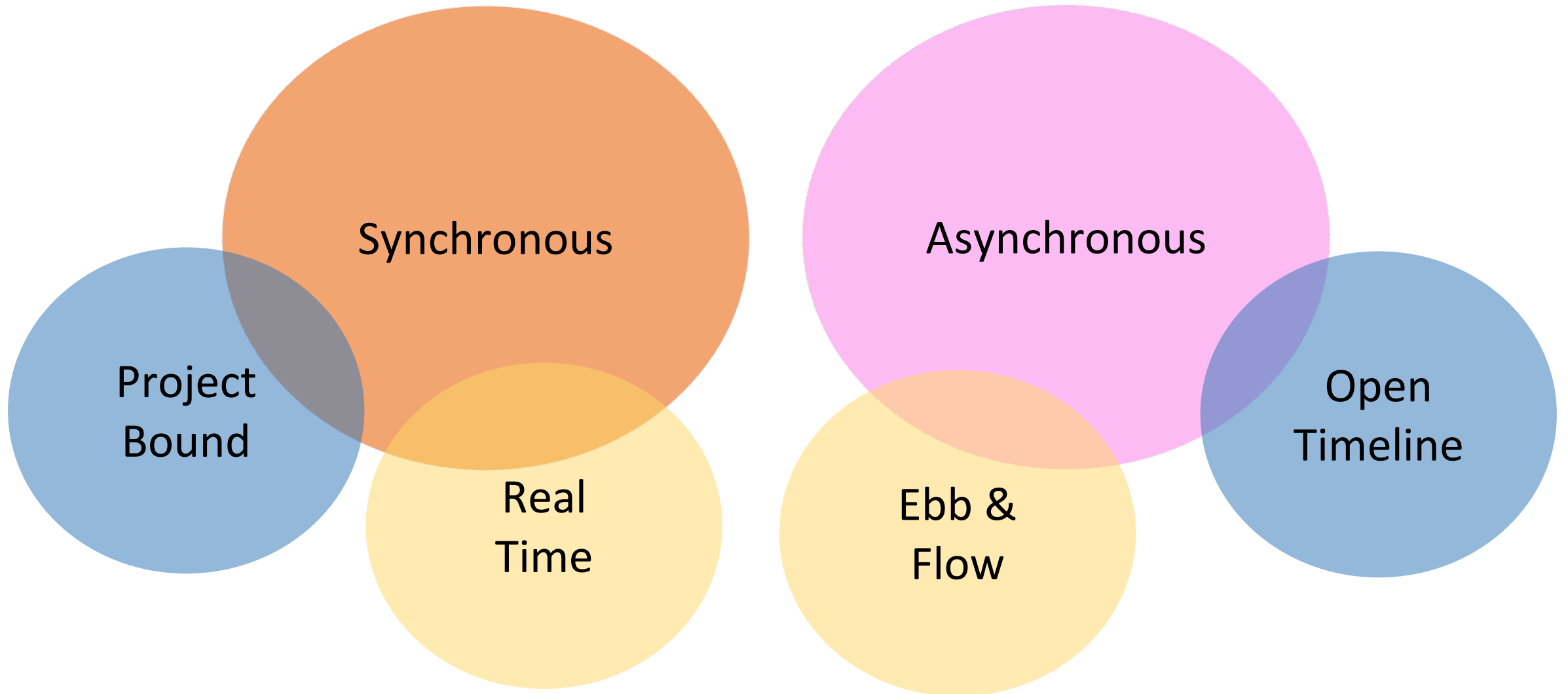
Workloads of Collaborators shift over time



Idealized Collaborative Model



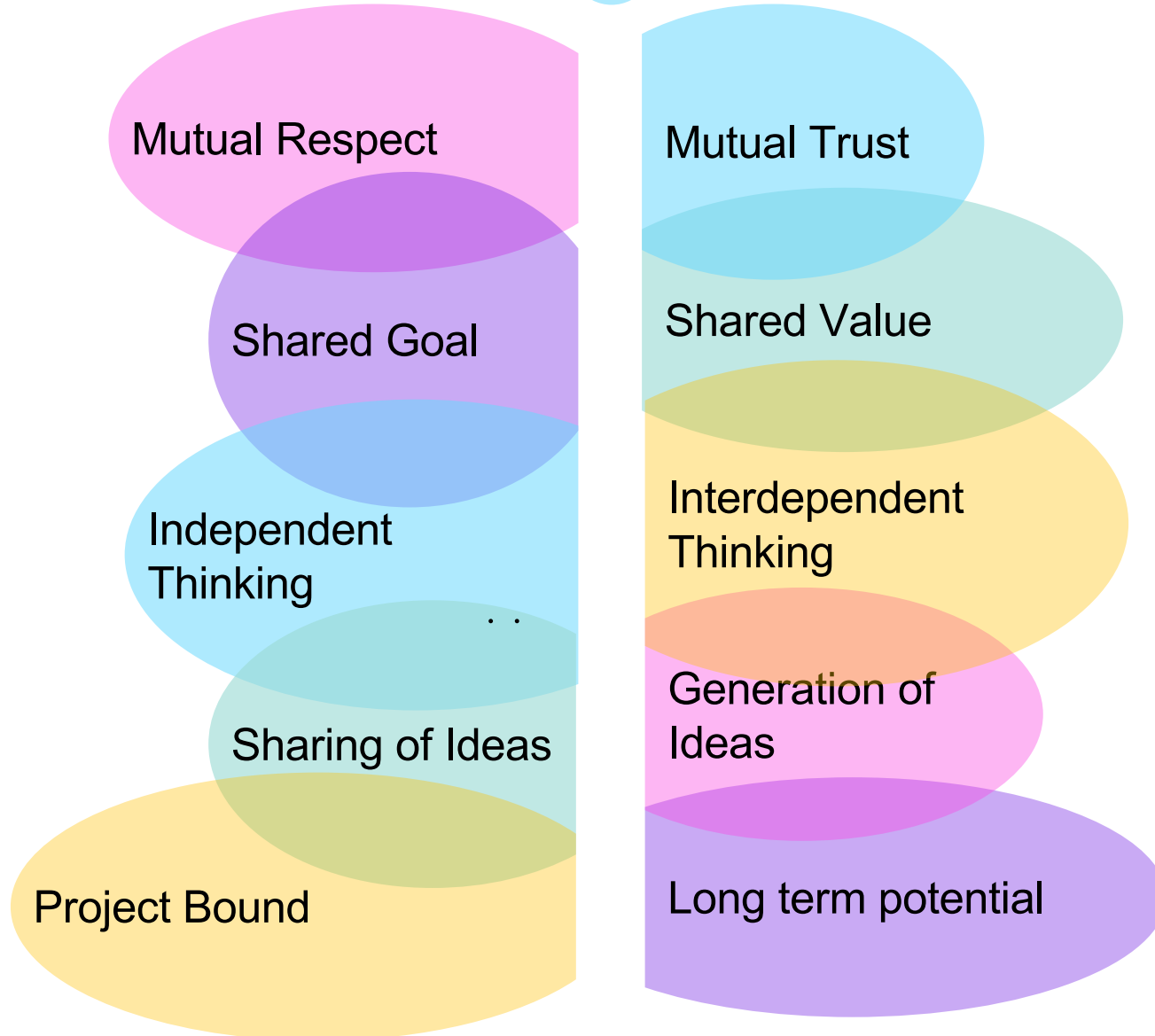
Relationships of Time in Collaboration



Cooperation

vs

Collaboration











The Implement Archive

Early Collaboration

2016 - 2018

Methods of Collaboration

- Mash Up
- Set Up



Mash Up



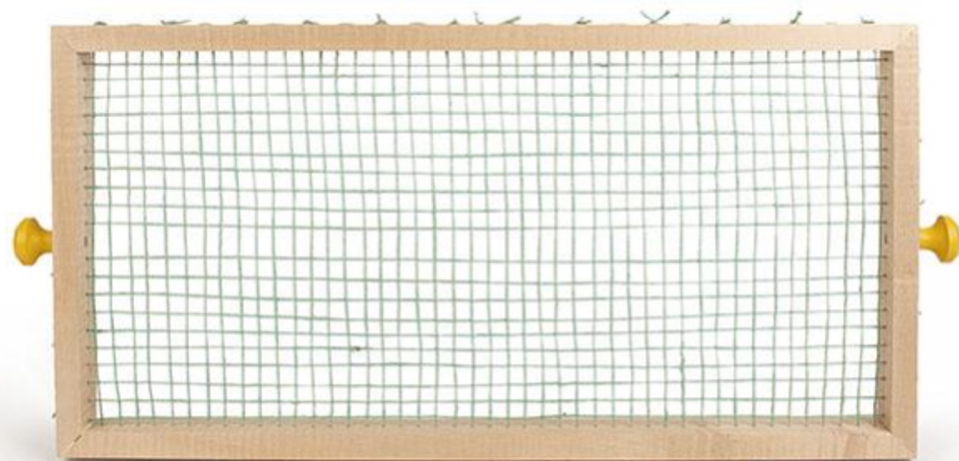
Set Up

Mid Collaboration

2019-2020

Methods of Collaboration

- Project Based
- Commission



Project Based



Wiley House Installation : IU Bloomington



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Commission

Current Collaboration

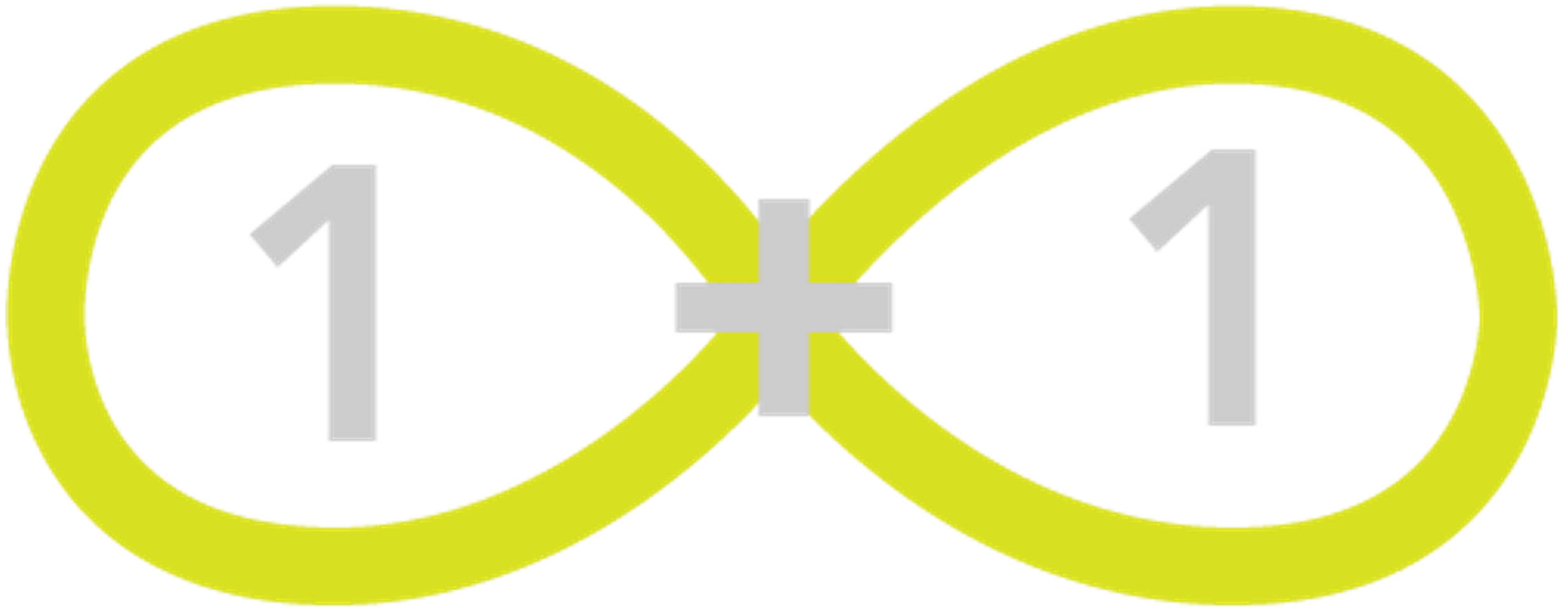
Methods of Collaboration

- ❑ Transformative / Holistic Approach
- ❑ Interpersonal Collaboration



Current: Holistic/Interpersonal

Holistic Approach



Modes of Communication & Challenges of Collaboration

- Verbal Processing/ Conversational
- Written - Text & Email
- Visual - Image, Drawn, Video

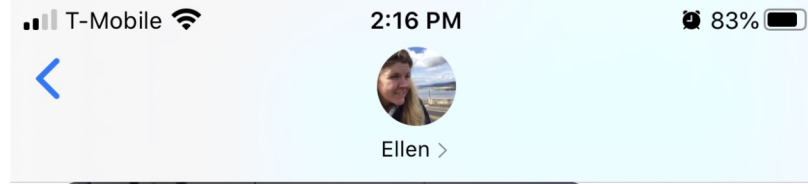
Key Tops of Communication

- Problem Solving
- Materiality
- Generosity of Space / Vibe Check





Communication & Fluid Ideation



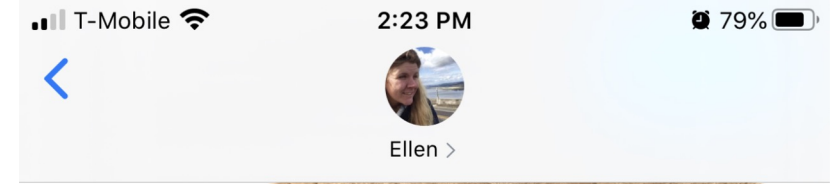
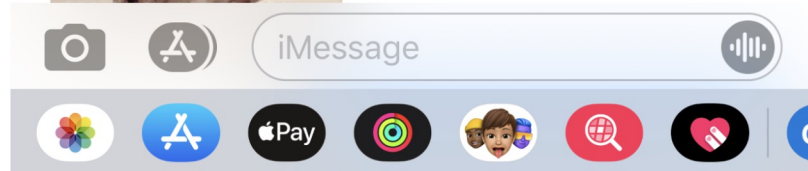
What is this btw!!

Hook for picking up steamer stuff so you don't burn yourself

Love it! Was just noticing it.

Thanks! I can send you a video tomorrow

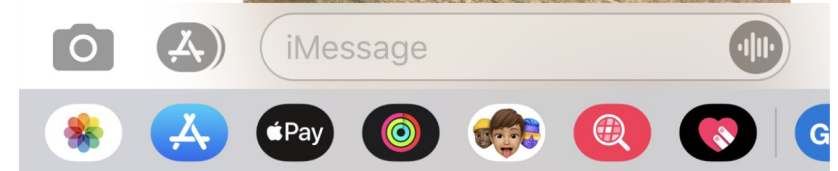
I'm stuck under a sleeping will right now



I want to put my hand through there

You can!

Also accidentally broke the jaw but I managed to make something with it





Wetland Creek
eraser





Employing Collaboration in your own practice.

- ❑ artist/ artist
- ❑ artist/ material
- ❑ artist / environment



Image : Gilded Pear Gallery







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2021



2020



2019



2018



2017



2016

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