

Constructing Digital Habitats

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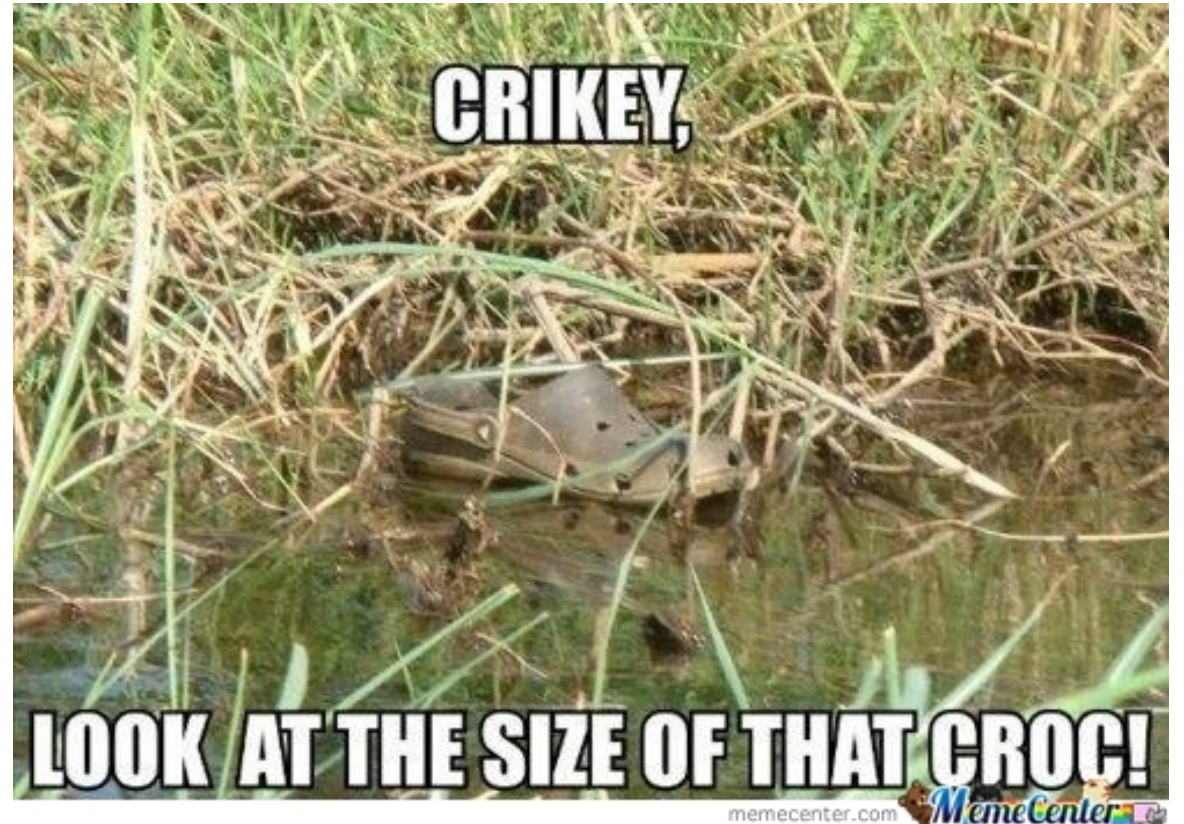


Outline

- Constructing digital habitats
- Constitution of the habitat
- Integration of the habitat

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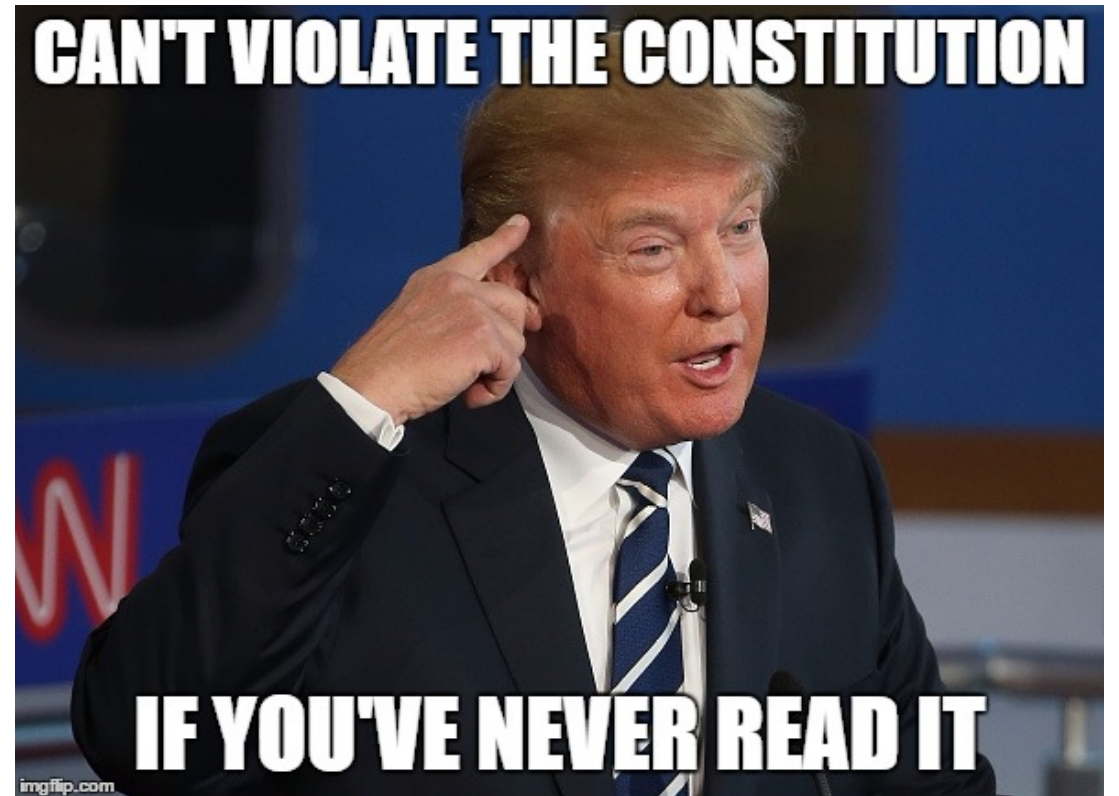
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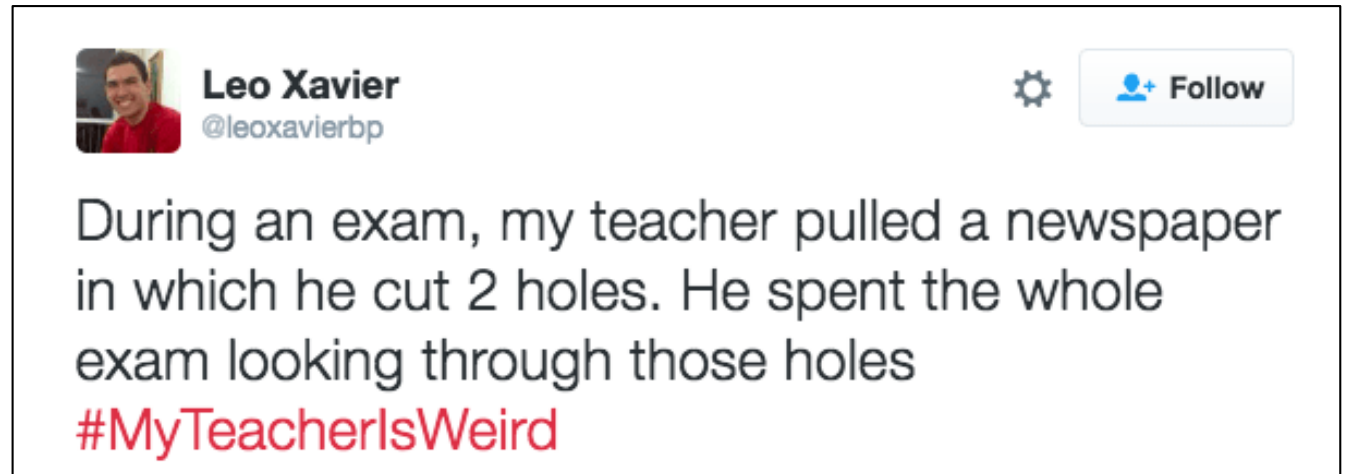
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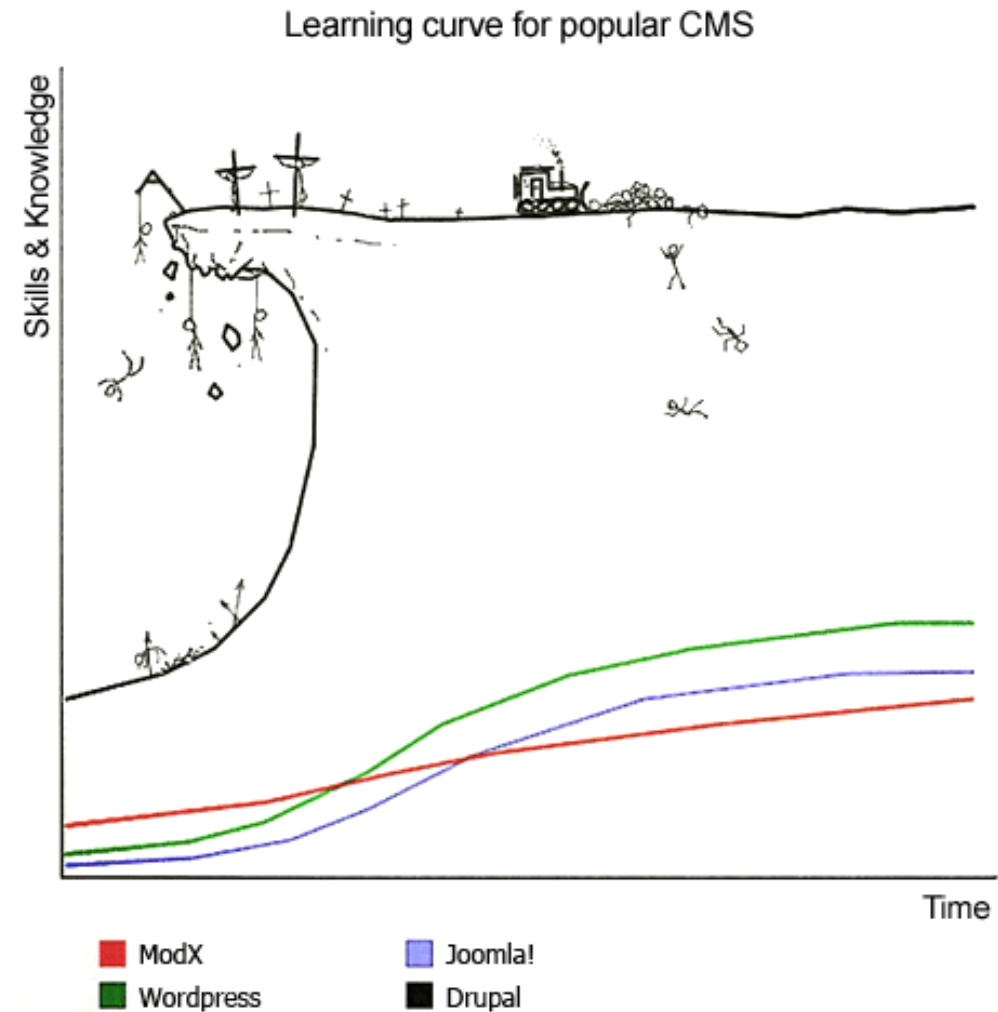
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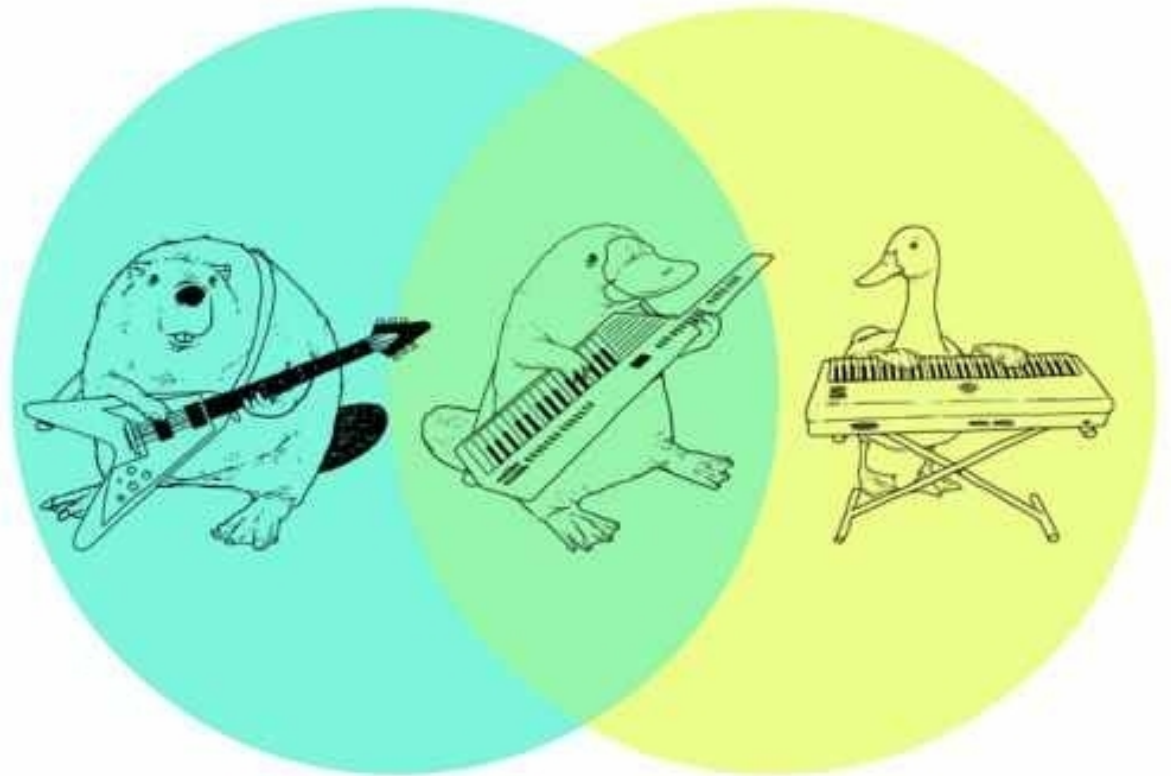
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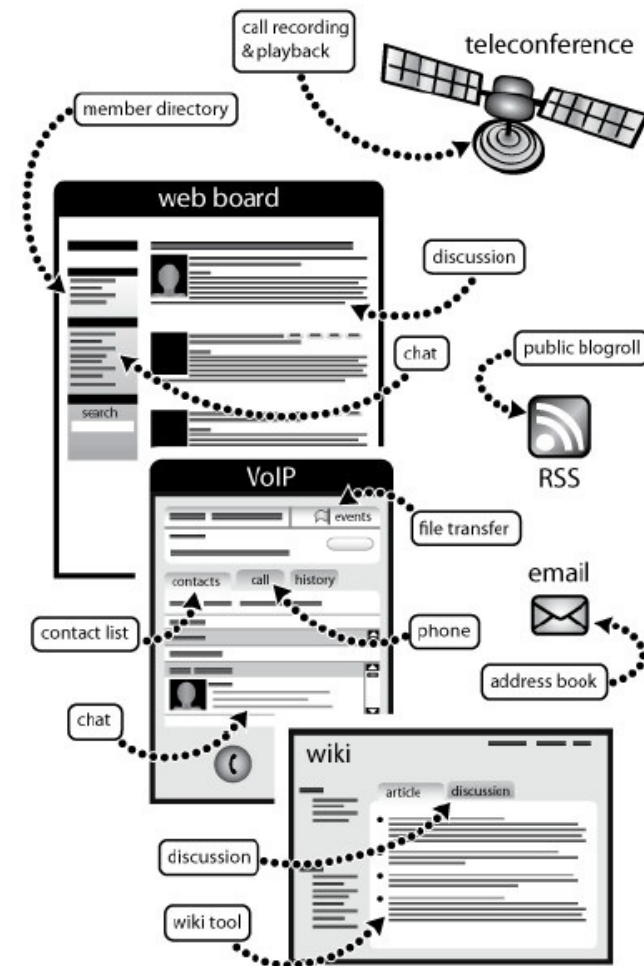
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Figure 4.1 - The tools view. Tools support specific community activities

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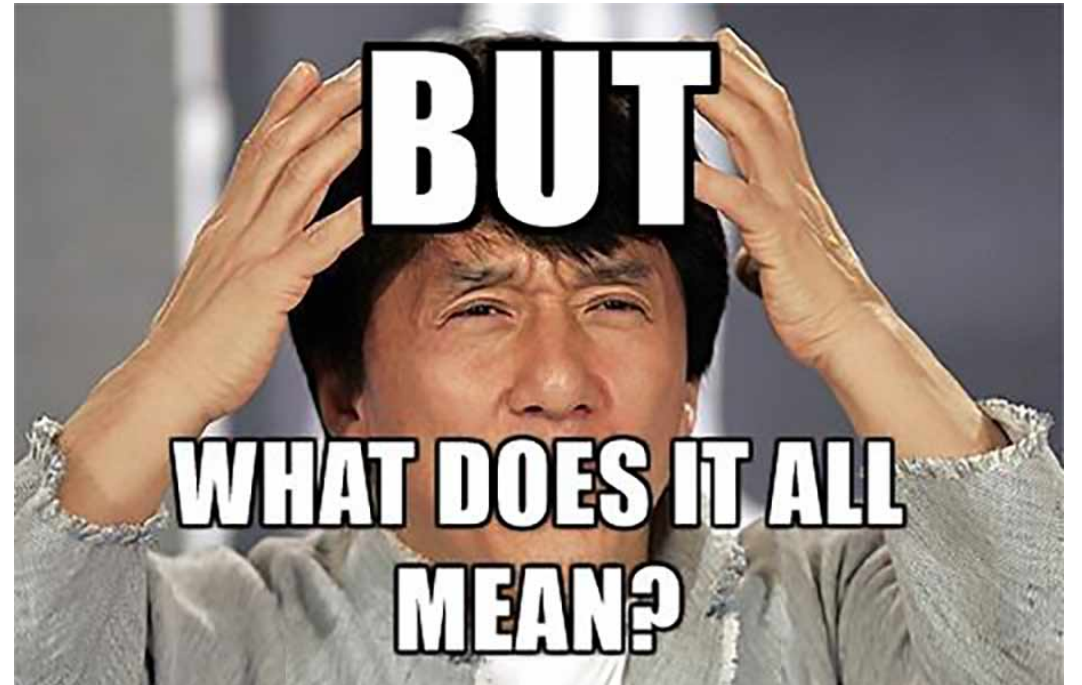
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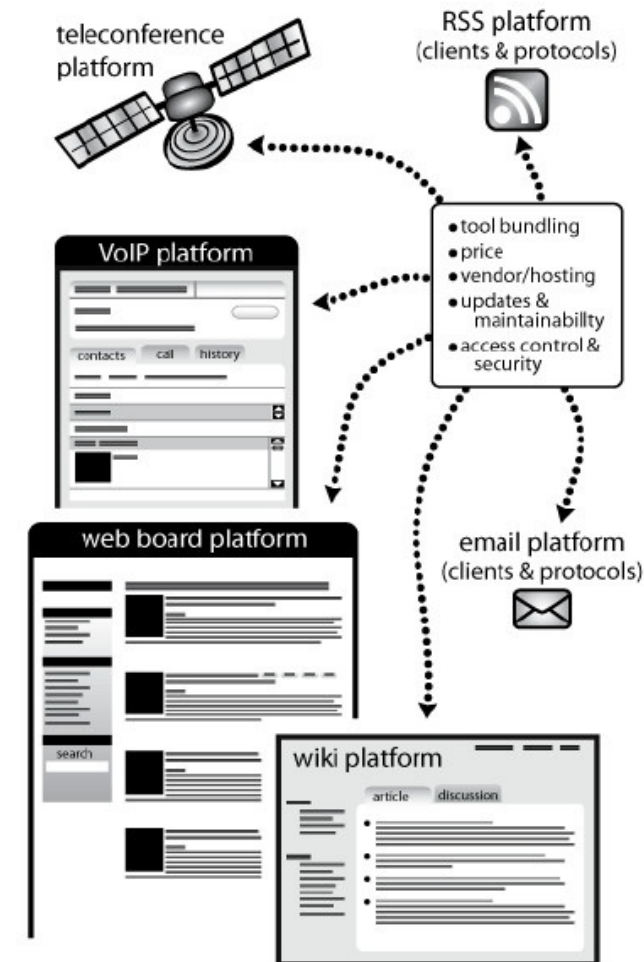
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4.2 - The platform view. Vendors and developers package tools into platforms

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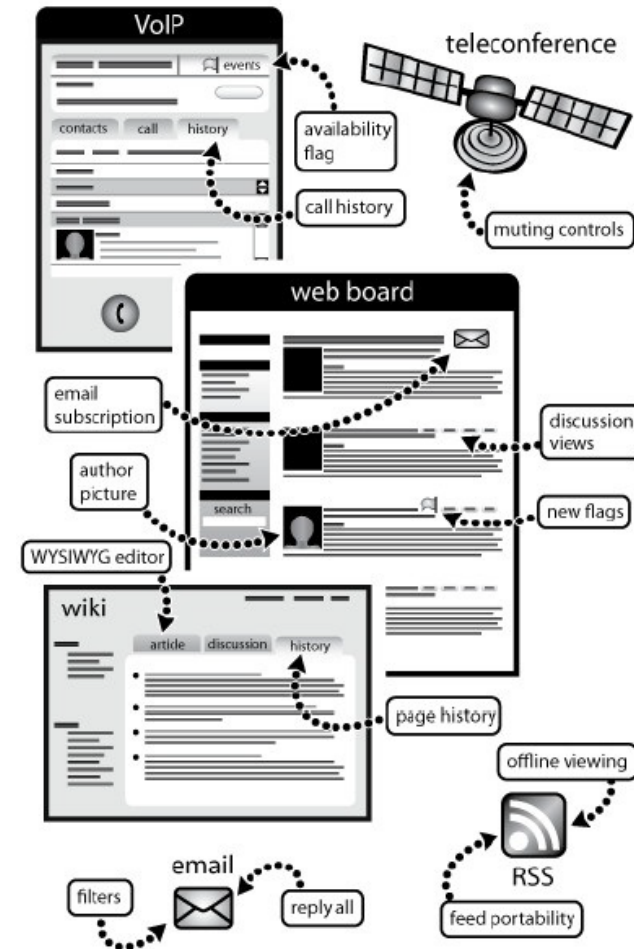
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Figure 4.3 - The feature view. Features make technology usable

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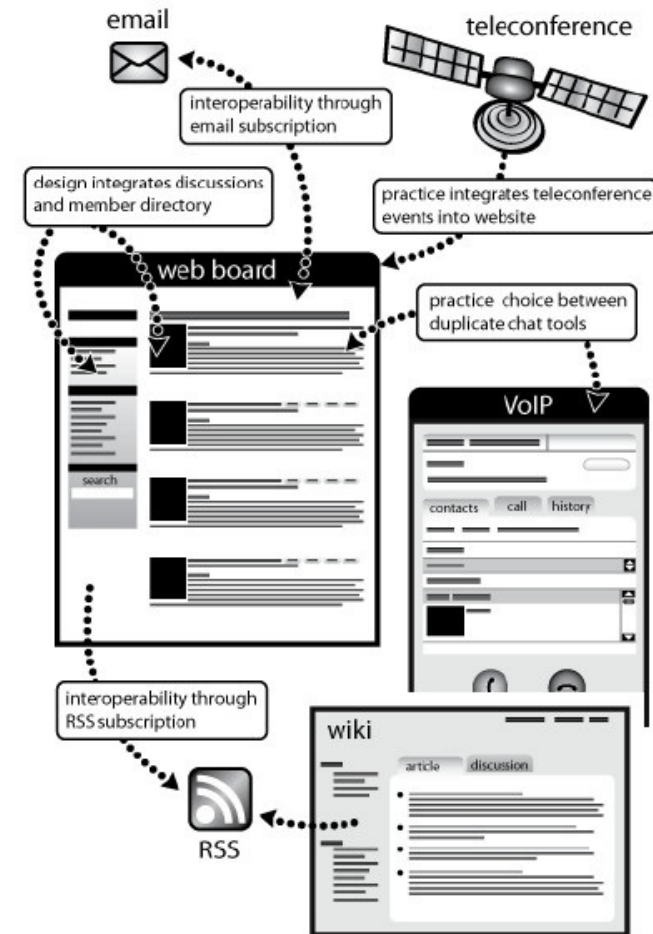


Figure 4.4 - The configuration view. A complex configuration of technologies serves as substrate to a digital habitat

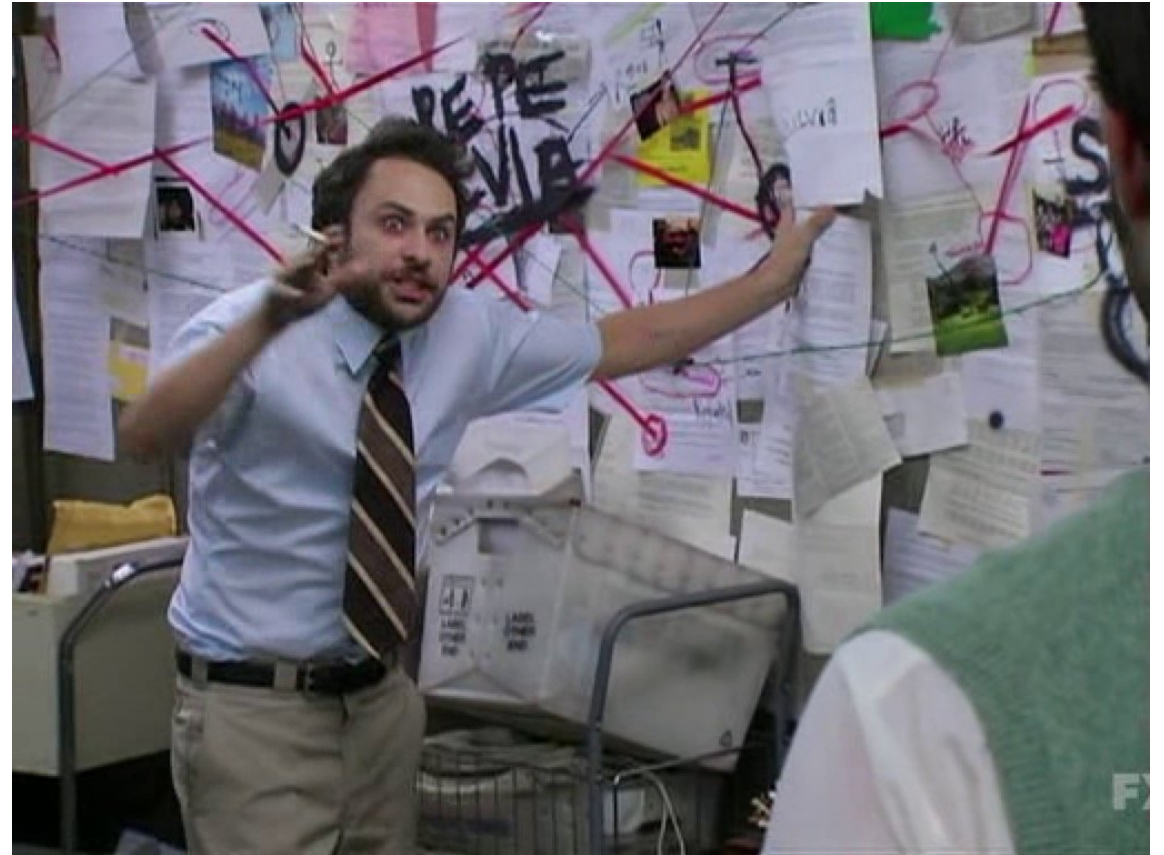
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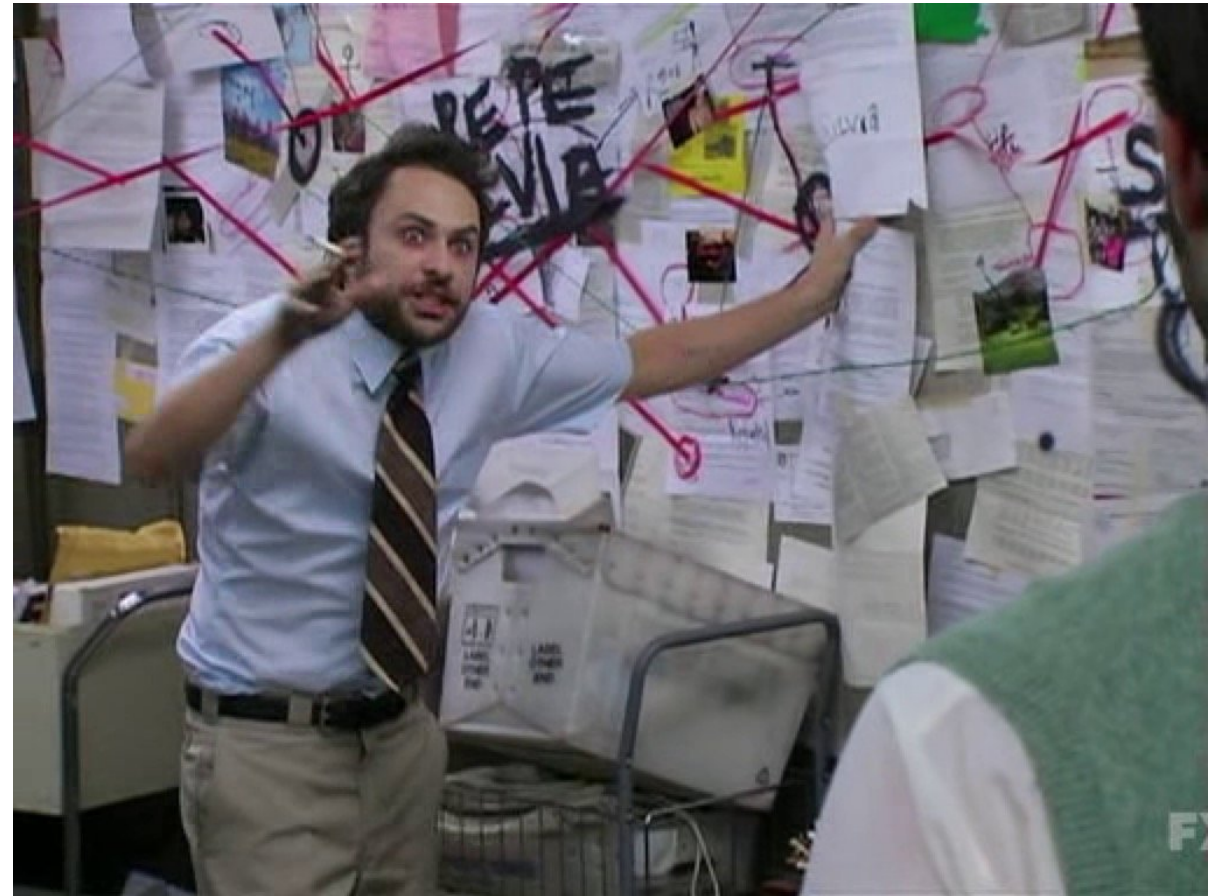
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- Looking at integration through
 - Platforms
 - Interoperability (features)
 - Tools
 - Practice



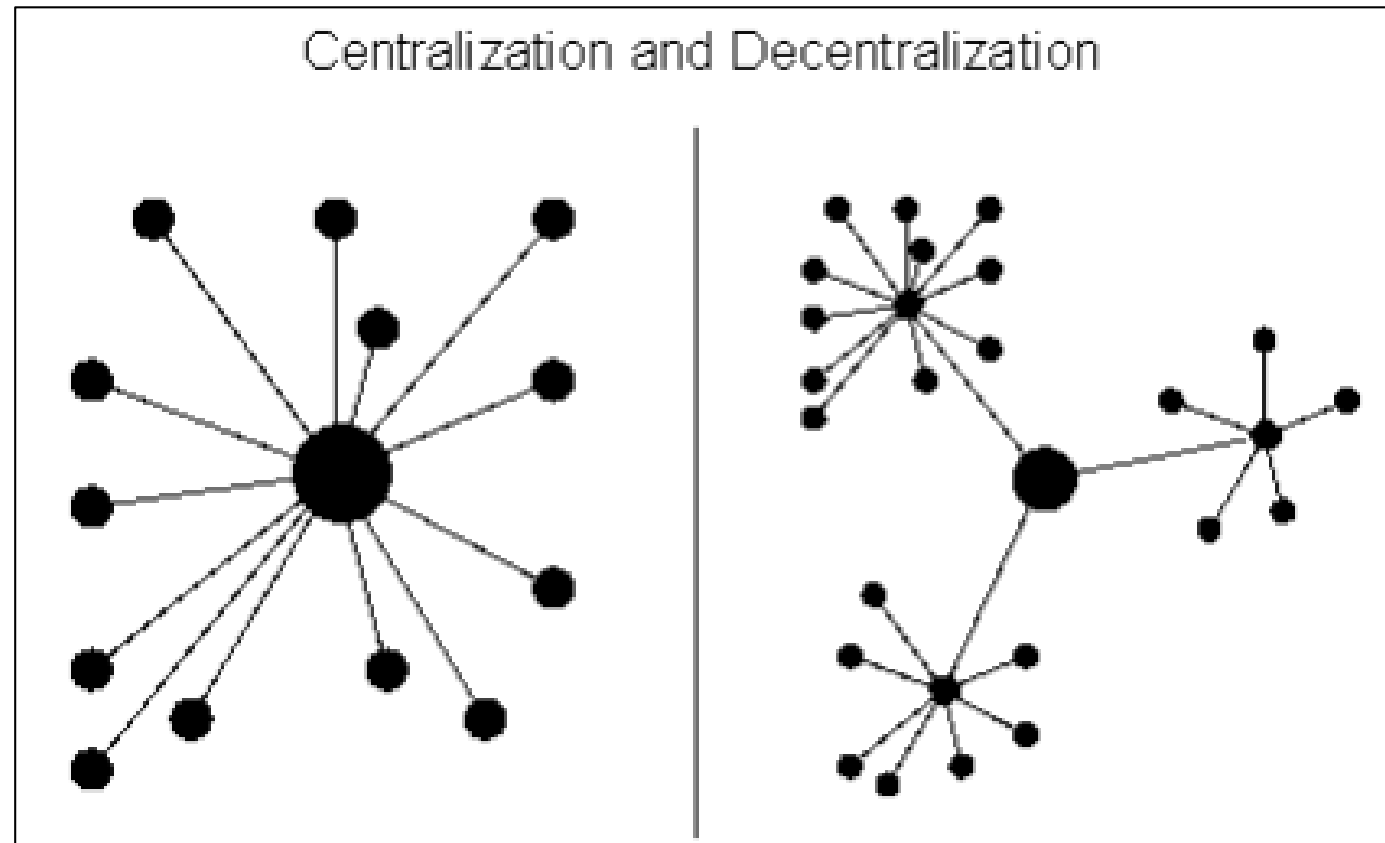
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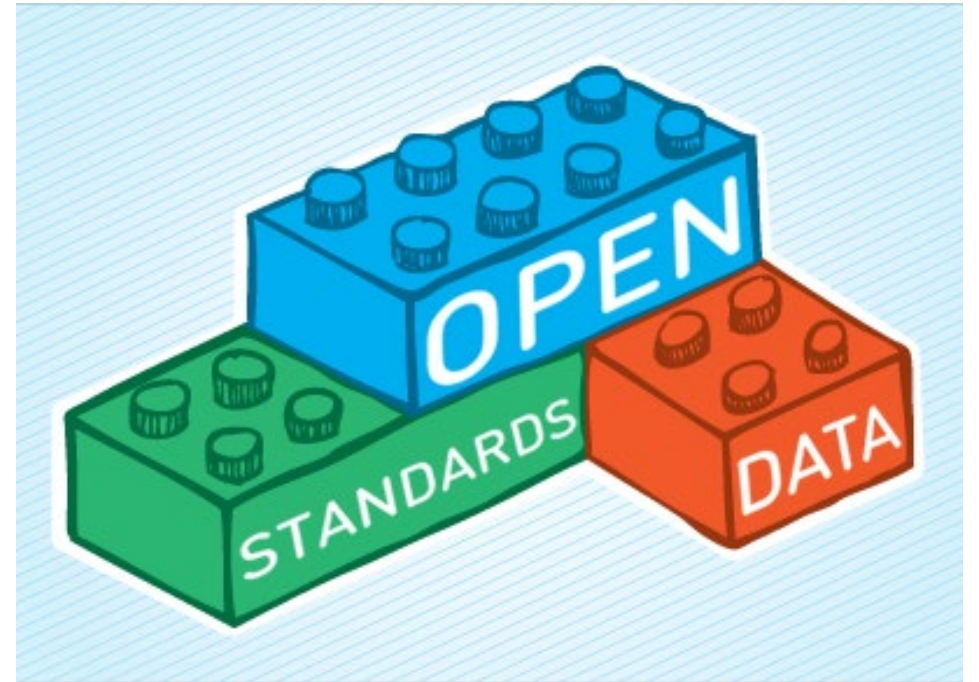
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- Central vs. decentral



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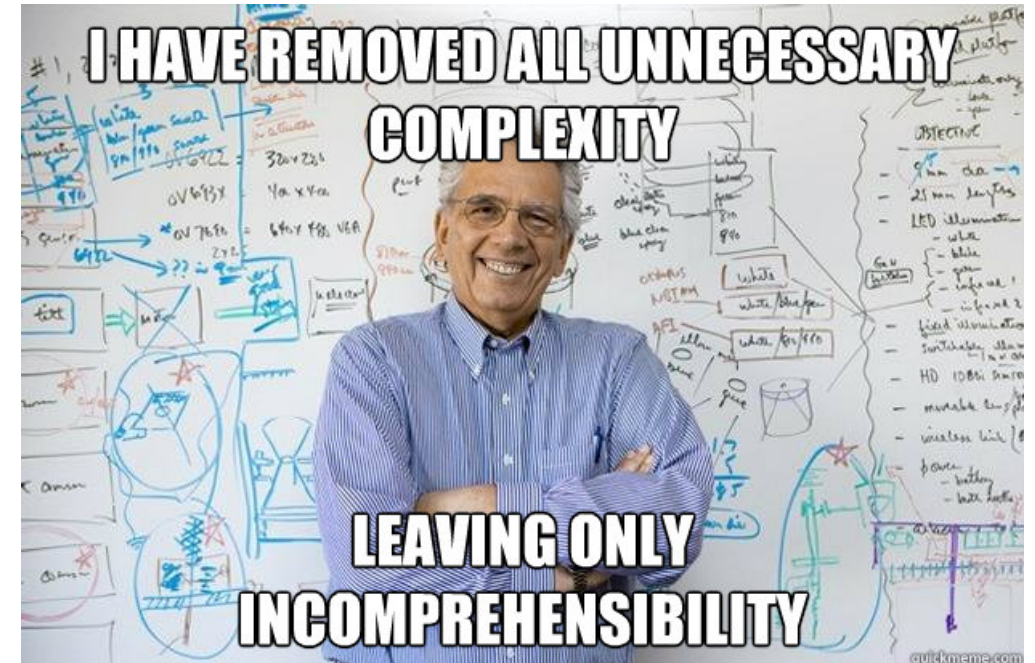
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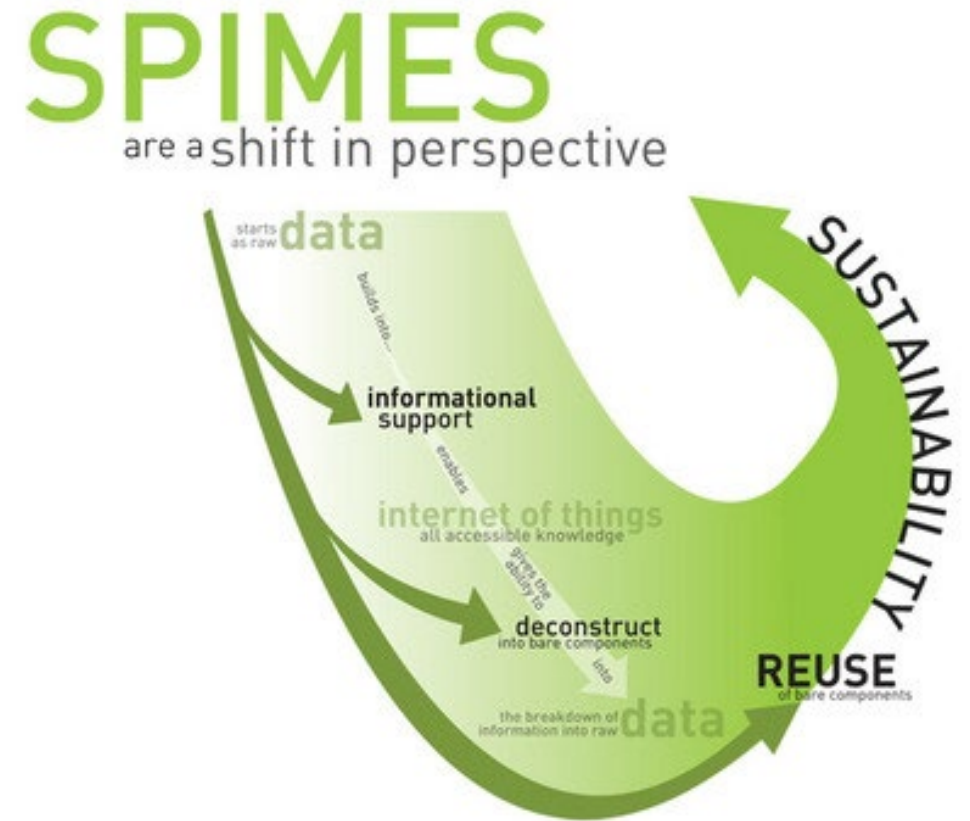
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- Pros/cons
 - Berners-Lee: The next Web of open, linked data
 - Evolution of Bruce Sterling's idea of *spimes* (space +time) & the idea of an internet of things
 - Tim Berners-Lee's Solid



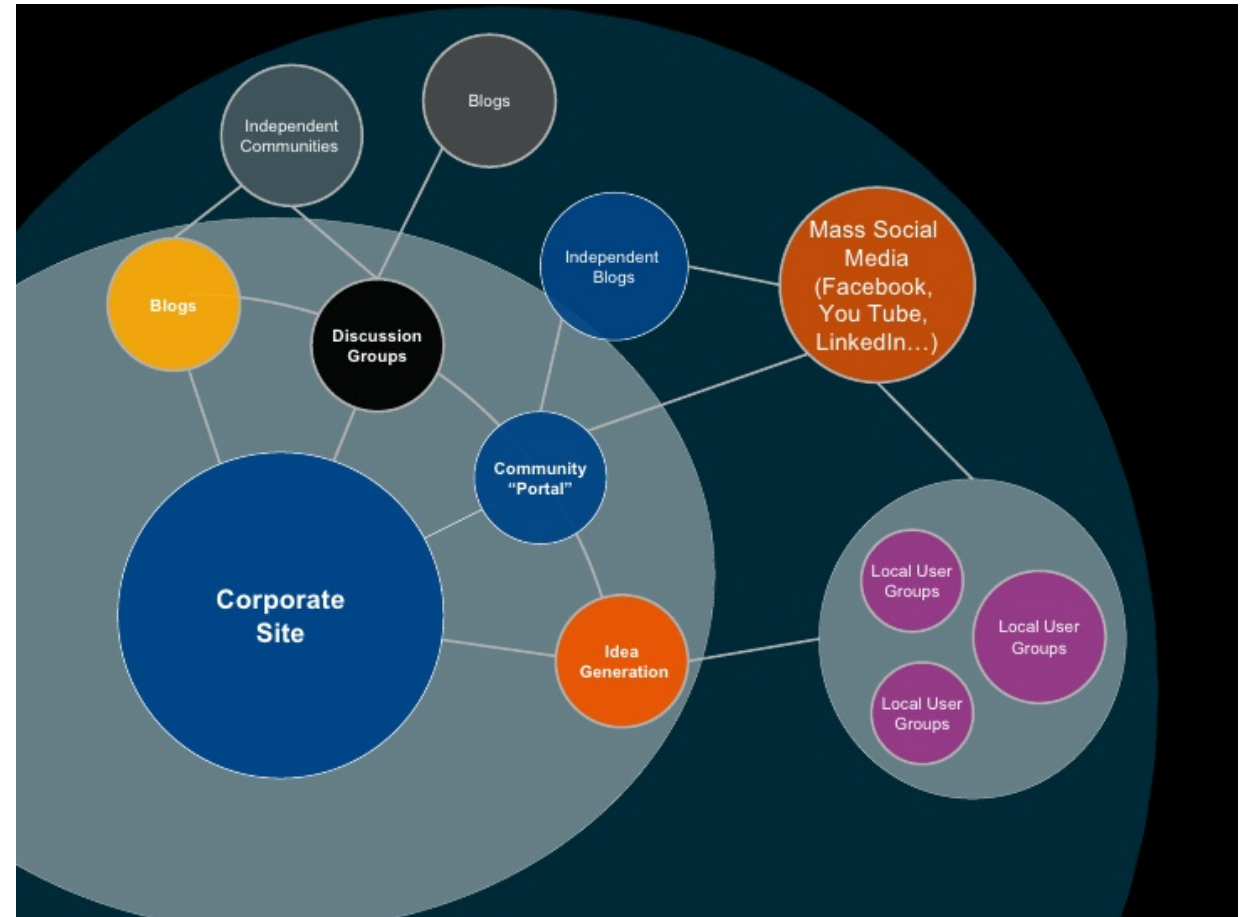
Integration through tools

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- Reflects the community's social ecosystem



Integration through practice

- Applied/ing skills



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Integration through practice

- Applied/ing skills
- Balance between integrated and non-integrated technology



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