2023 Cross-Project Collaboration Survey Results
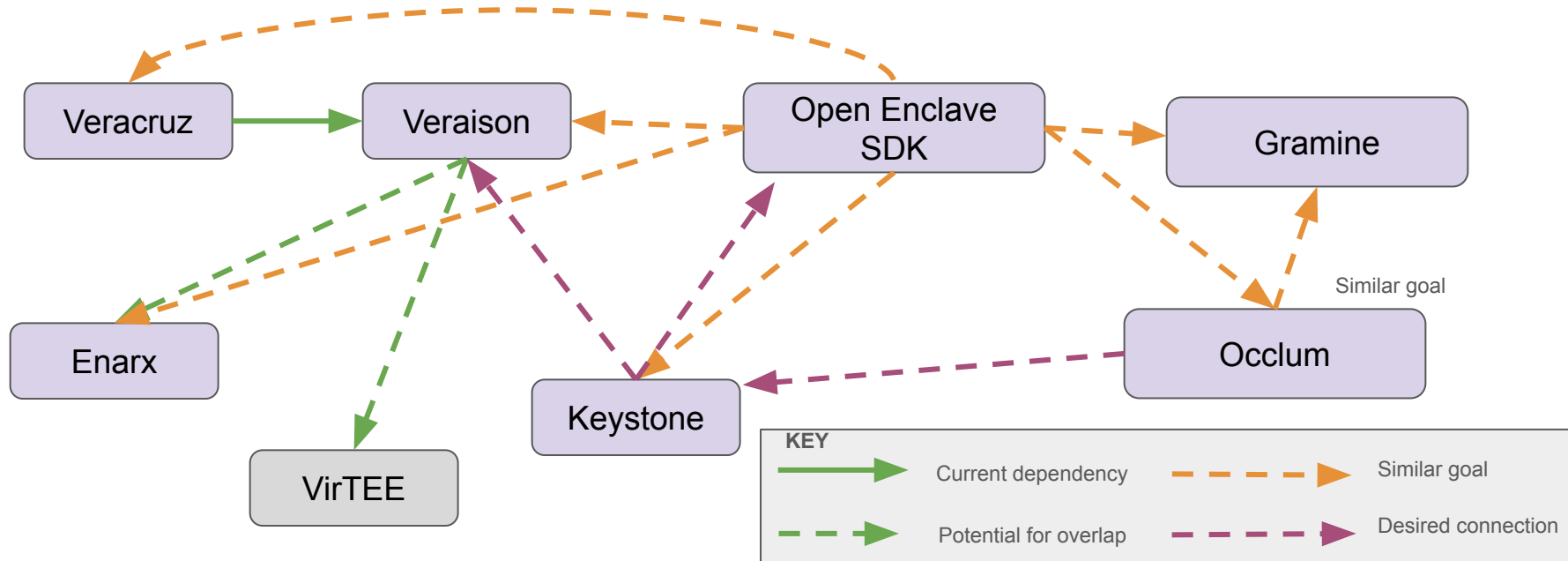
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Response rate

- 7 projects were asked to respond (this is our current total project number)
- 5 projects did respond
- One project did not respond
- One project is not currently maintained

Q1: Known overlaps

Does your project have any potential overlapping goals or code dependencies with other CCC projects that you know of? Which ones and what are the potential intersections?

Q2: Familiarity with other projects

How familiar are you and your project's members with the scope and roadmaps of other CCC projects which might intersect yours?

Not very: I

Only familiar with some/a few: II

Only new ones / general goals but not roadmaps: II

Q3: Satisfaction with discussion opportunities

What opportunities have you had to discuss common goals or code dependencies with leads of the CCC projects which might intersect yours? How satisfied are you with these opportunities?

Not much opportunity: III

Opportunity only with established overlapping projects: I

Some: I

- **Satisfaction not discussed by most (one was satisfied)**
- **Mentioned not being able to attend CC Summit (unsure why)**
- **CCC virtual meetings and in person event mentioned as opportunities**

Q4: Communication channels

Beyond the TAC, would you want to see a communications channel specifically between CCC projects to discuss topics among themselves? If so, what method would be your preference (ex. regular or one-time virtual meeting, chat, project showcase, real life meeting, other)?

No specific ideas: I

Regular roundup or newsletter about project roadmaps: II (one mentioned not getting the current one)

One-time virtual meeting or project showcase: I

Offline meetup: I

Chat: I

Q5: Desired connections

Are there specific projects you would like to be directly connected with?

No specifics/ not currently: III

One named project: I

Two named projects: I

- **Idea proposed to create a "how to contact" list for CCC projects**

Q6: Round table

Would you be interested in participating in a round table where CCC project leaders can ask each other about possible cross-project synergies?

Yes: II

Skeptical: II

Yes once working on a new project: I

- **Preference for 1-1 conversations**
- **Needs to have relevant topics and time zone friendly to Asia**

Key takeaways

- **Sample size is small**. Hard to get momentum on any one activity since preferences differ
  - 1-1 conversations may be best at this scale
  - Opportunities for group conversation may be scoped to 2x/year conference events
    - Make it easy for project maintainers to attend these - what are the blockers? Time? Money? Location?
- **Lack of a way to "stay current"** with other projects and desire to do so
  - Newsletter, as-needed chat, as-needed contact list
- **Not an urgent priority** for projects to connect with others, but there is some interest
- **Common goals are recognized** more often than actual dependencies, complementary problem spaces, or common implementations

Onboarding more projects is probably a critical step to getting more activity between the projects

Action Items

- ❏ **Connect projects that specifically requested it [Lily/Eric]**
- ❏ **Newsletter**
- ❏ **Contact list**
- ❏ **Chat forum? (only one requested this)**
- ❏ **Figure out blockers for project travel to conferences**