#### RESEARCH DESIGN

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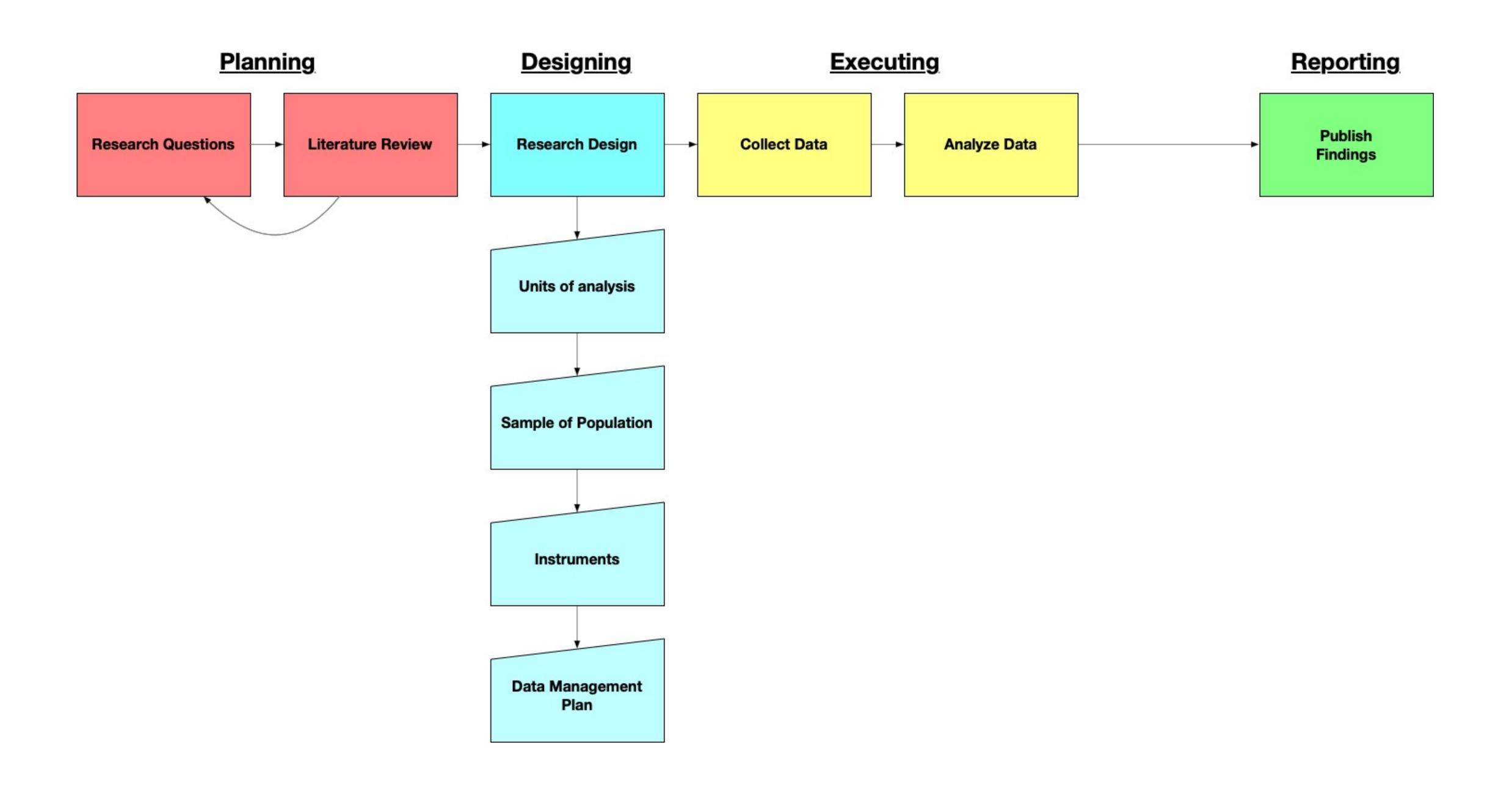
### RESEARCH ASSESSMENT & DESIGN

#### **CLASS ADMIN**

- Groups / Group Assignment ?
  - Reminder: Oct 18th
  - Group length
- TA Office Hours

#### UNPACKING SOME TERMINOLOGY

- Network Effects More participants == greater value
- Middleman -> Intermediation -> Rent Seeking (manipulating public policy / economic conventions to seek profit)
- When making a comparison
  - Difference in Degree
  - Difference in Kind



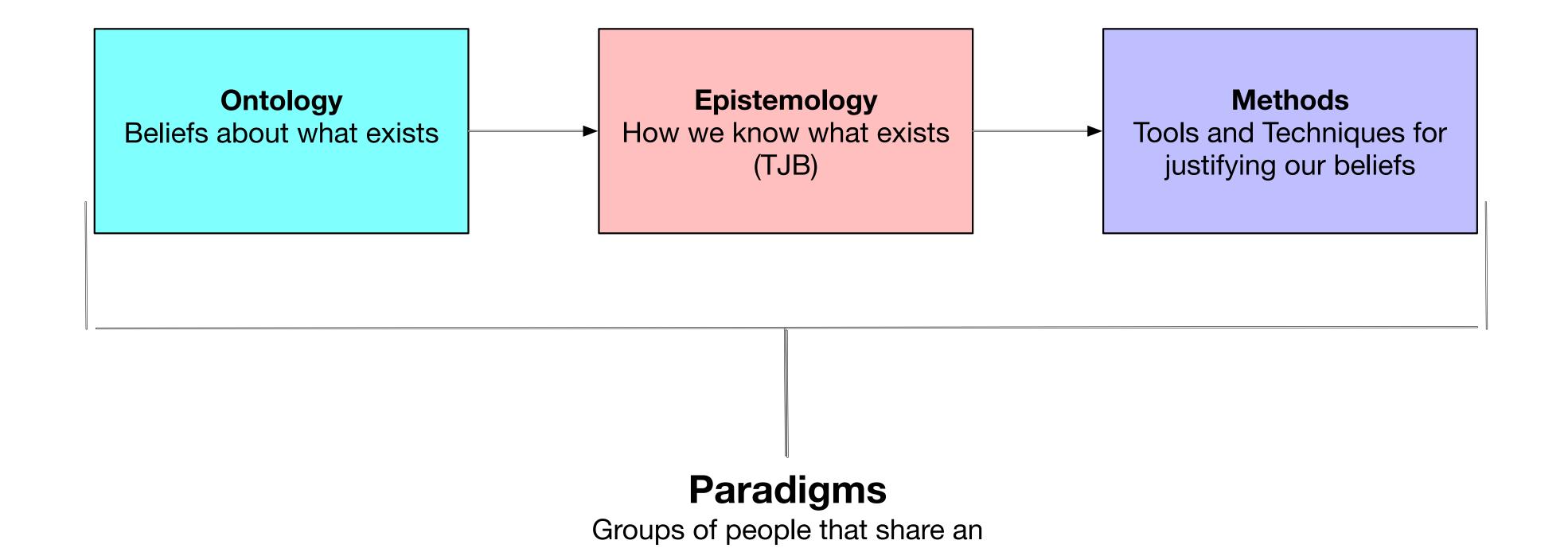
#### RESEARCH CHECKLIST

Topic	
Context / Setting	
Question	
Unit of Analysis / Observation	
Audience	

## GOALS OF QUESTIONS

- Descriptive What are the qualities most valued in a Mayoral candidate?
  - Gathering and describing what makes up important variables
- Relational When do political beliefs impact voting habits? (internal)
- Comparative How do supporters of Lorena Gonzales differ between District 2 and 3? (external)
- Causal How do yard signs impact voter turnout in Seattle's 2021 Mayoral election?
  - Test one or more variables (yard sign vs non-yard sign + voter turnout)
  - X happens / is directly influenced by Y

## RESEARCH QUESTIONS + ONTOLOGY + EPISTEMOLOGY



ontology, epistemology and method(s)

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