Into the great wide open: Navigating teacher opportunity, autonomy and structure in a collaborative Innovative Learning Environment

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Collaboration

The Andecedent-Process-Outcome Framework

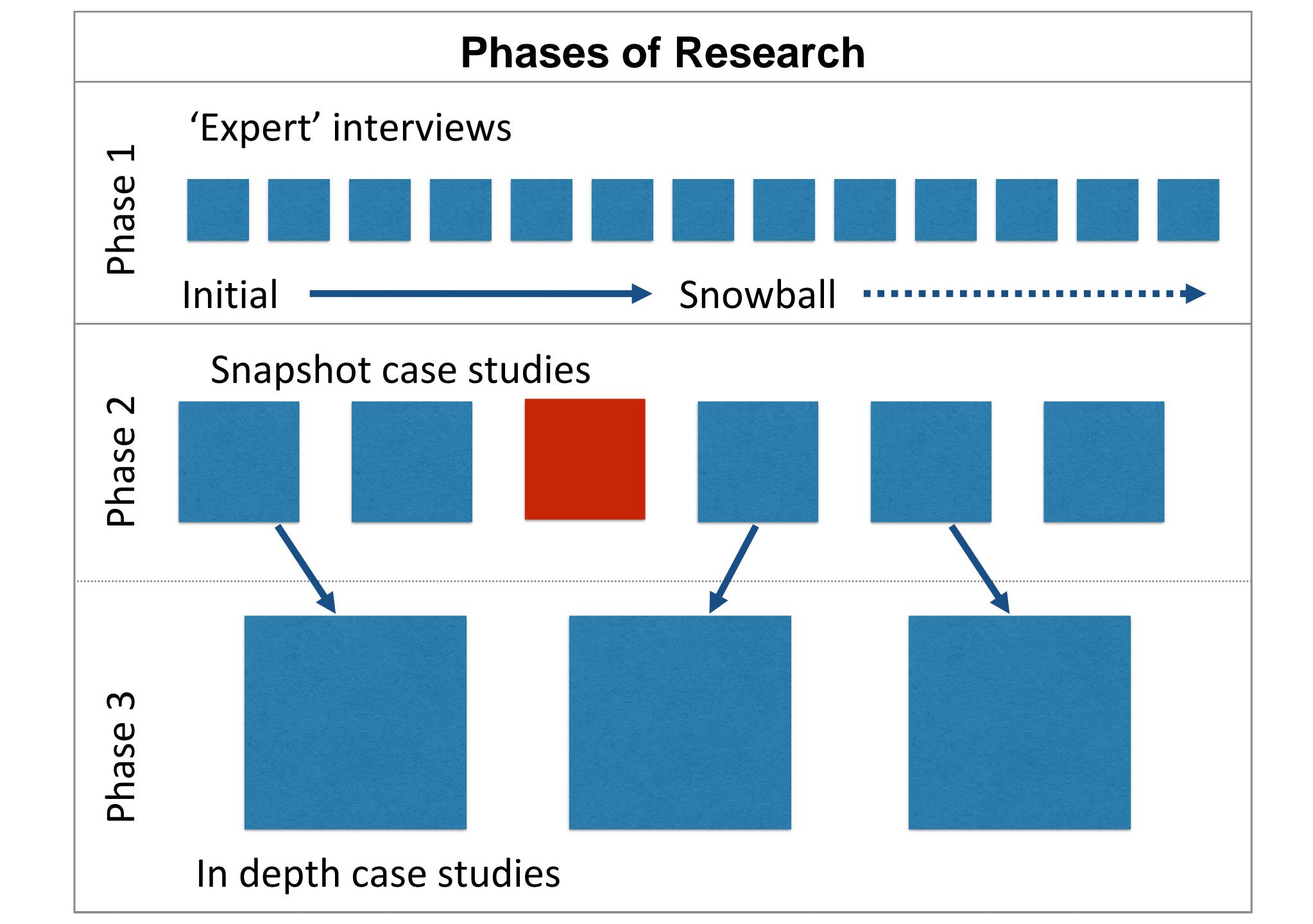
(adapted from Thomson & Perry, 2006)

"A process through which parties who see different aspects of a problem can constructively explore their differences and search for solutions that go beyond their own limited vision of what is possible" (Gray, 1989, p. 5)

Antecedents



Outcomes



Case-study: Whio community -Treeside Intermediate'

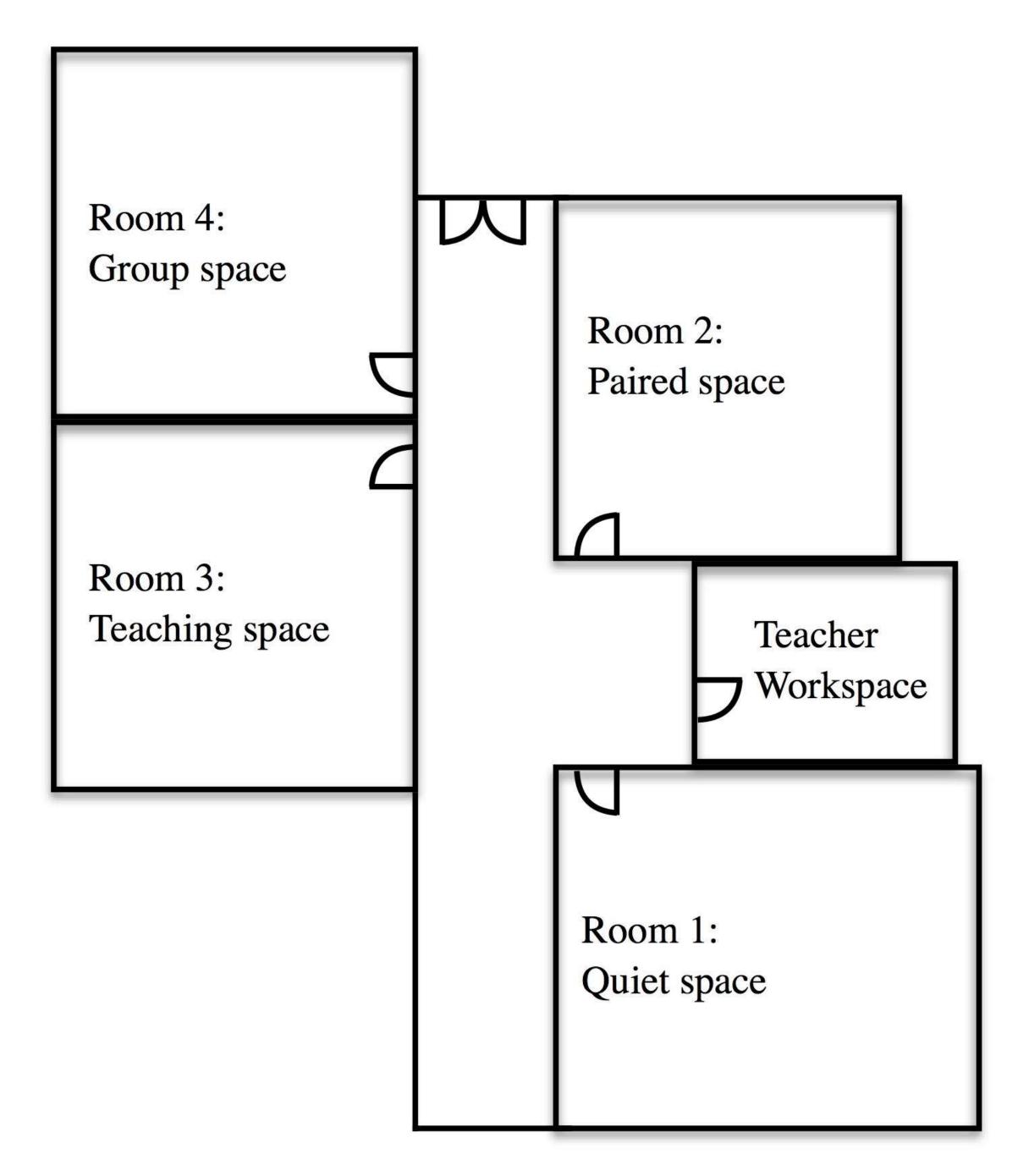
Suburban - well-established
 290 students (Year 7&8)
 Mid socio-economic

School Space

- 1976 build
- Recent refurbishment
- 3 'communities'

Learning Environment

- 94 students
- 3 teachers
- 1 teacher aide



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Pedagogical practices

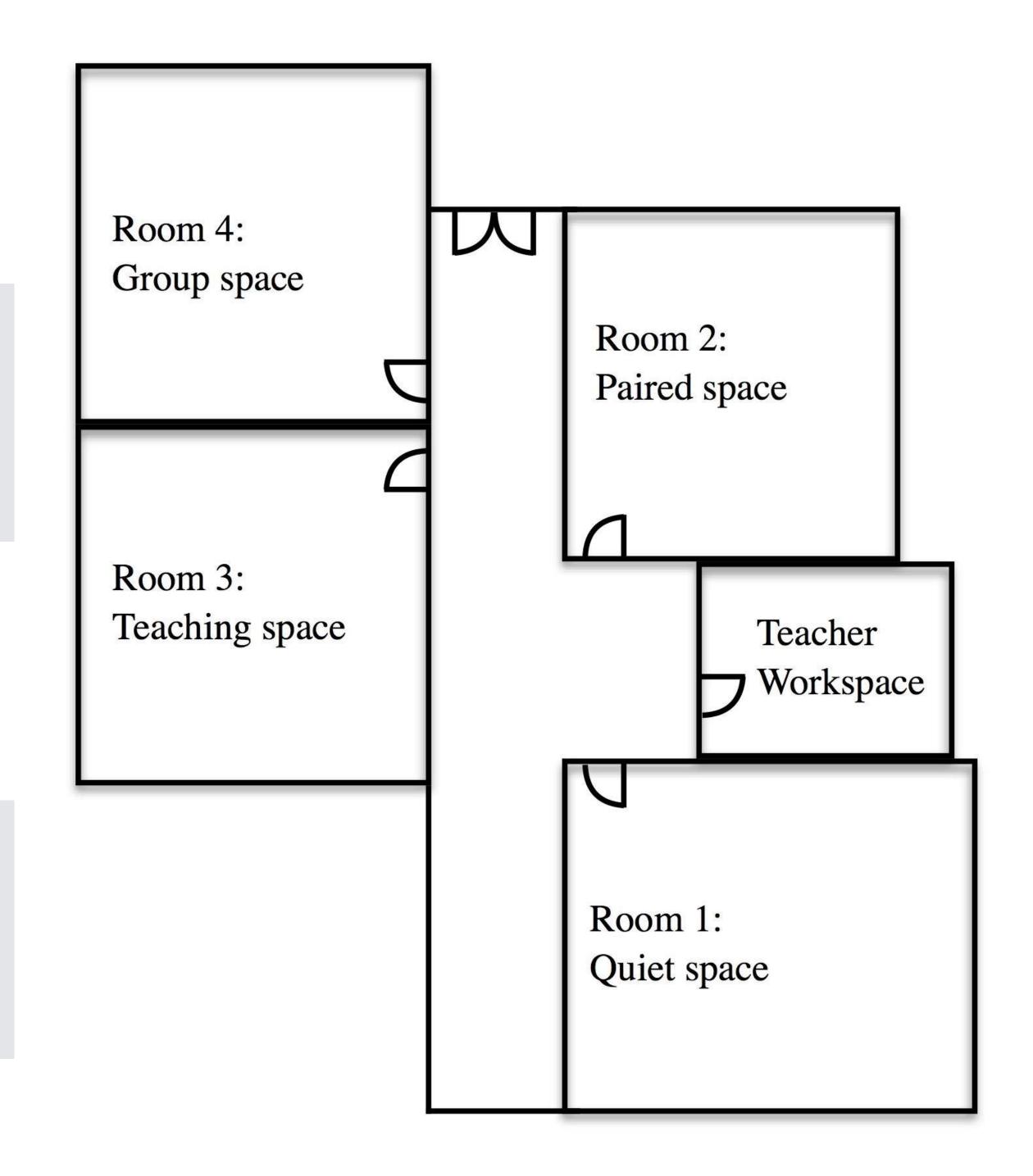
- Task management
- Self-management
- 'Learning coach'

Spatial practices • Designated usage

- Mobility
- Spatial limitations

Collaborative practices

- Shared decision-making
- Temporal structures
- Online



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Heritage structures

- Language values
- Timetabling
- Student allocation

Modified structures

- Ability groups
- Use of learning taxonomy
- Removal of teacher desks

Novel structures

- 'Roaming' Learning Coach
- Spatial differentiation
- (A)synchronous collaboration

