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Preservation Needs Assessment for Institutional Planning and Multi-Institutional Collaboration

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Condition survey



- **determines scope and scale of problems**

Needs assessment



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- **recommends solutions**
- **sets priorities for action**
- **targets finite resources to highest priorities**
- **promotes multi-institutional cooperation**

CALIPR software



- **online, with web-based interface**
- **developed for California statewide collaboration**
- **a random sample from the collection**
- **13 questions per sample item**
- **automatically calculates 1) problems, 2) solutions, 3) priorities, and 4) reports**

CALIPR survey questions



13 questions that address:

- **demand** for access
- **housing** conditions
- **physical condition**
- **institutional value**

CALIPR solution categories



- **conservation treatment**
- **disaster response plan**
- **education**
- **environmental control**
- **fire protection**
- **inventory control**
- **protective enclosures**
- **rebind and repair**
- **replacement**

CALIPR results: UCB East Asian Library



Chinese rare materials collection

- 105 item random sample from 14,600
- protected from fire and theft
- environment meets standards
- 100% housed in protective enclosures
- less than 1% brittle
- 10% in need of repair
- use determines priority for repair
- 90% can be digitized safely now

Setting preservation priorities



Level of **Value**

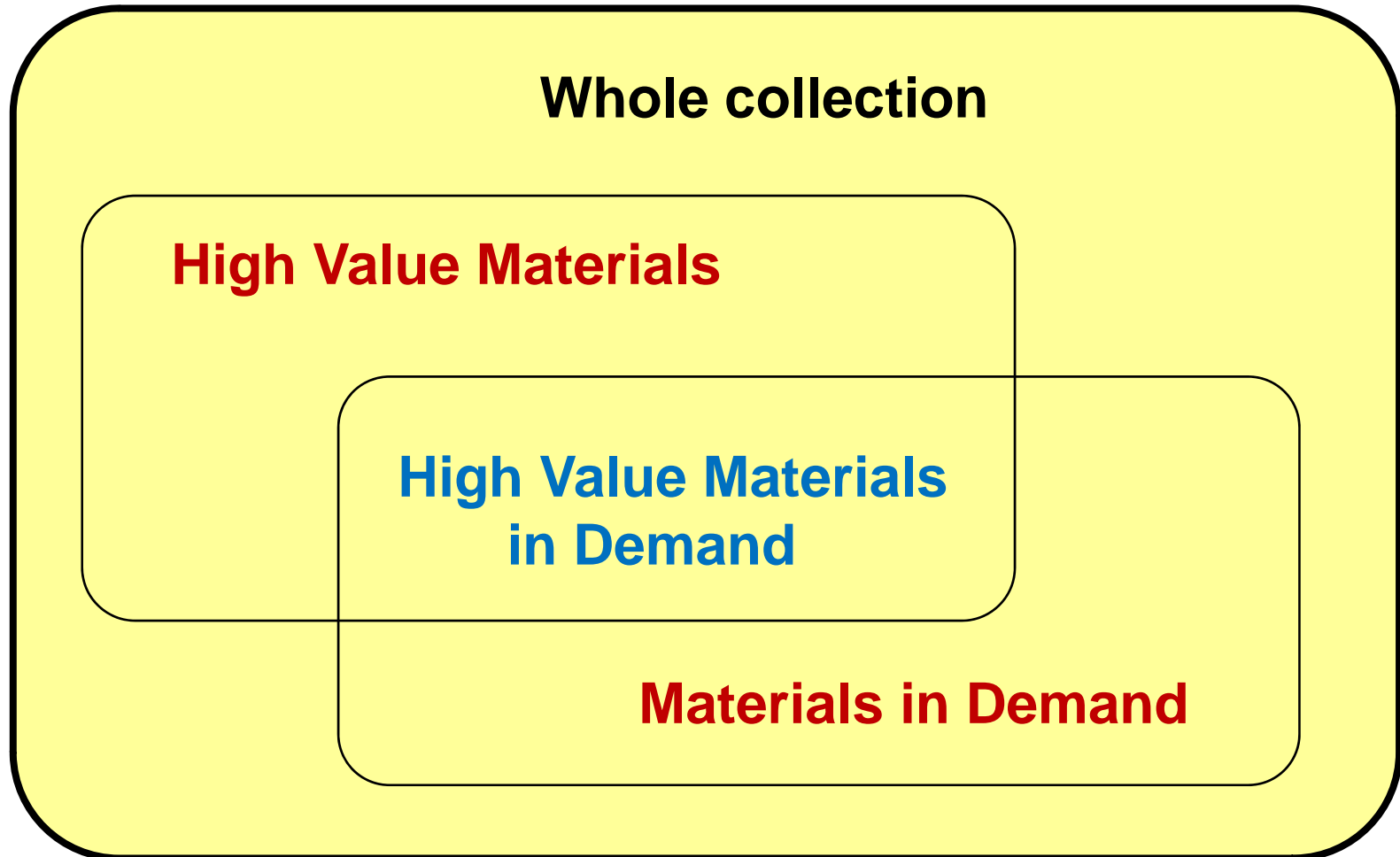
+ **Housing** problems

+ **Physical Condition**

+ **Demand for Access**

➔ **PRIORITY**

Targeting resources to meet needs



Benefits of needs assessment



- **determines scope and scale of problems**
- **recommends solutions**
- **sets priorities for action**
- **targets finite resources to highest priorities**
- **promotes multi-institutional cooperation**
 - **shared vocabulary and strategy**
 - **priorities customized to each institution**