

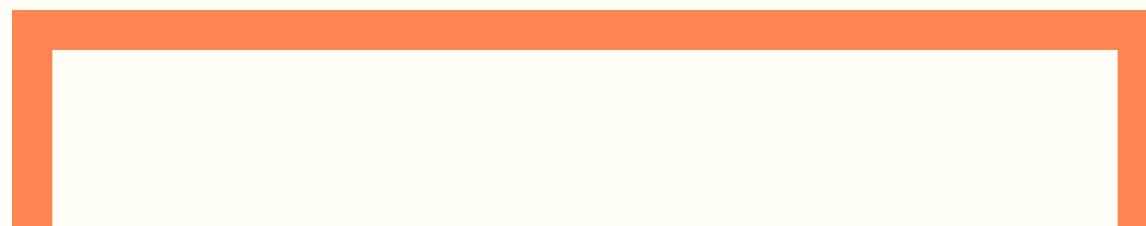
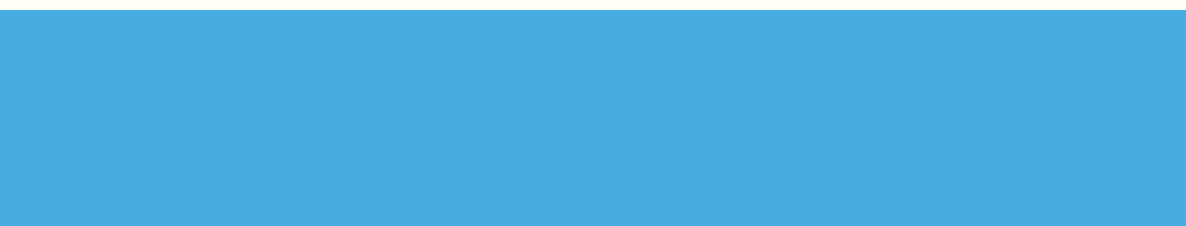
Collaboration and Knowledge Management Platforms

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DH DAY

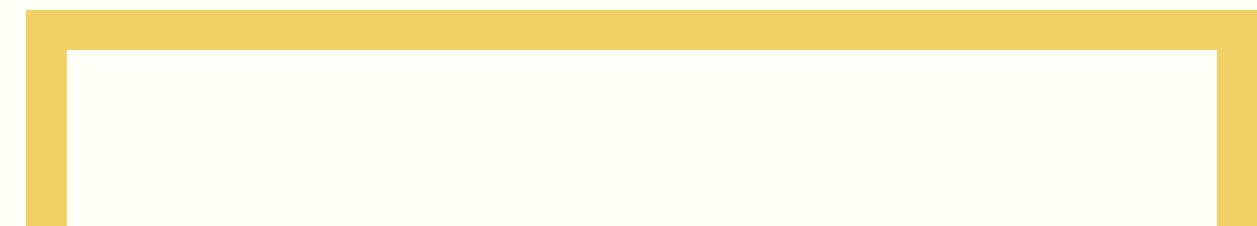
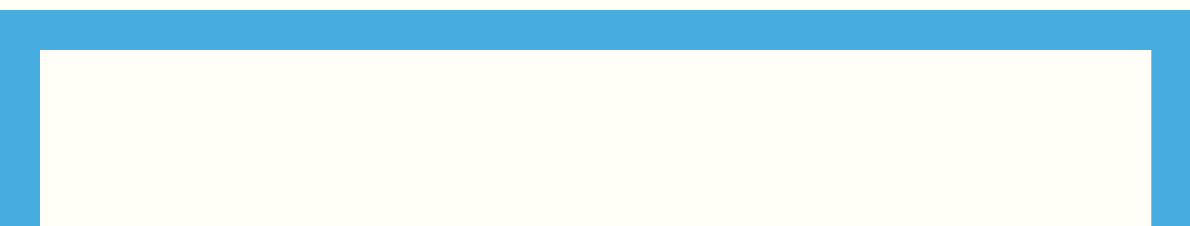
Overview

- * Bridging the Gap: From Data to Knowledge
- * Overview of Tool Categories
- * Shared Workspaces: Notion
- * Networked Notes: Obsidian, Logseq
- * Project Management: Trello, Jira
- * In-Depth Overview: AFFiNE
- * Integrating the Complete Workflow



Bridging the Gap: From Data to Knowledge

- * DH Day presentation (25/11/2025): [Research data management:](#)
Data management cycle:
Capture (Tropy) → Clean (OpenRefine) → Store (Keeper) → Cite (Zotero).
- * **Today's Focus:** Synthesize findings, outline arguments, and coordinate team tasks.
- * **Goal:** team management and collaboration

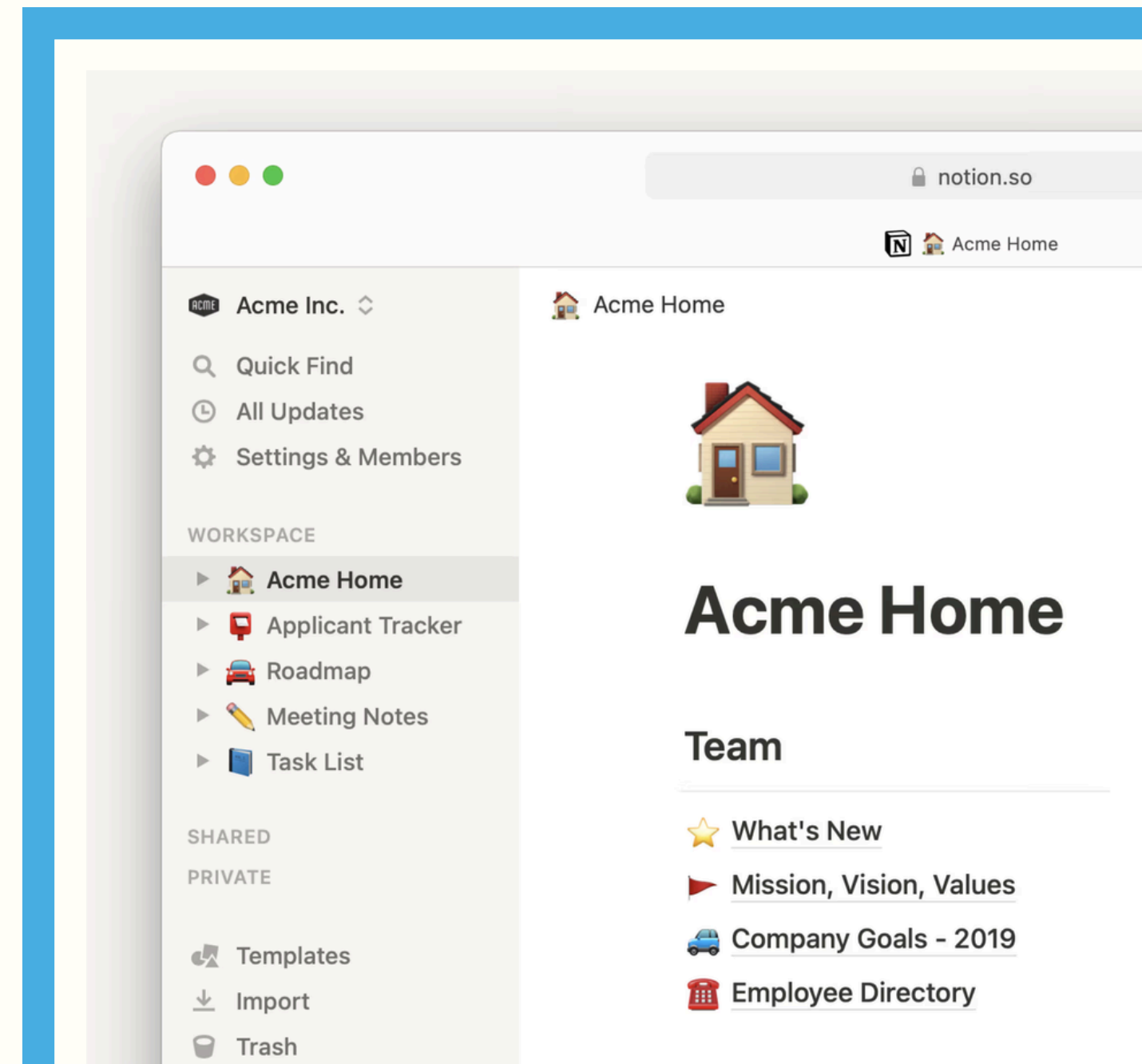


All-in-One Team Workspaces



Notion

- **Structure:** All-in-one workspace; relational databases; block-based building.
- **Functionalities:** Collaborative wikis; cloud-based sharing; customizable templates; shared pages.
- **Best for:** Team collaboration, centralizing project documentation, and creating structured databases.
- **Considerations:** Cloud-based. Better to use Keeper (MPG) for secure storage, while using Notion for non-sensitive project planning and drafting.
- **Pricing:** Free basic version available.



Networked Knowledge Management



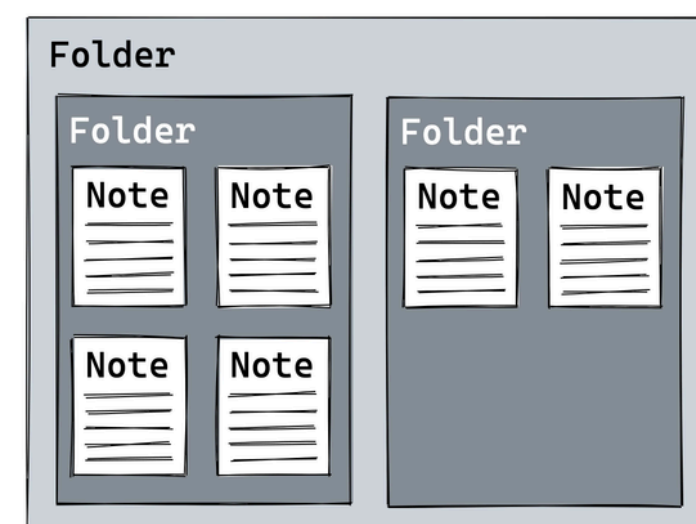
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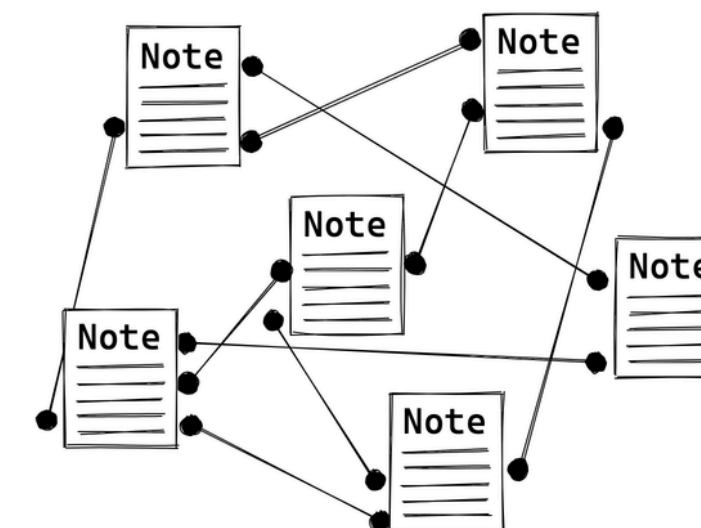
Logseq

- **Structure:** Local-first plain text (Markdown); networked "second brain"; bi-directional linking.
- **Functionalities:** Knowledge graph visualization; offline-only operation; community plugins.
- **Best for:** Long-term personal research archives and linking concepts.
- **Obsidian** is a document-based tool (better for long-form writing).
- **Logseq** is a bullet-based outliner (better for granular notes and PDF annotation).
- **Considerations:** Files are stored on your computer as plain text (Markdown), ensuring privacy and long-term preservation.
- **Pricing:** free with optional add-on services

Hierarchical thinking



Networked thinking



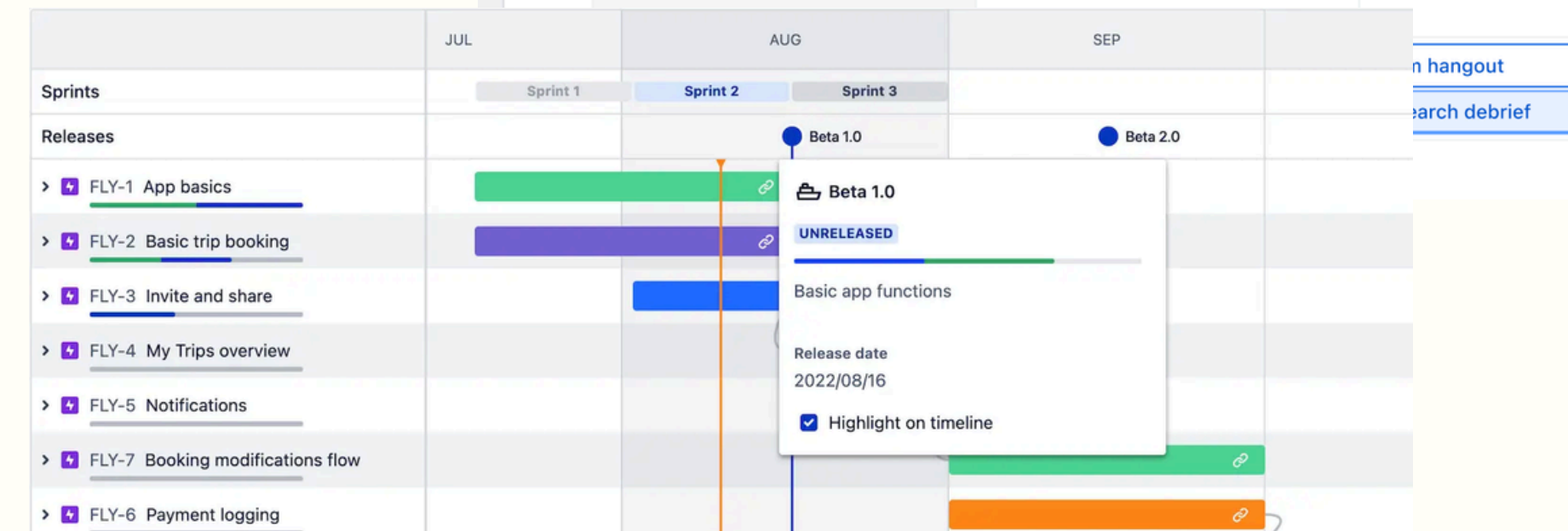
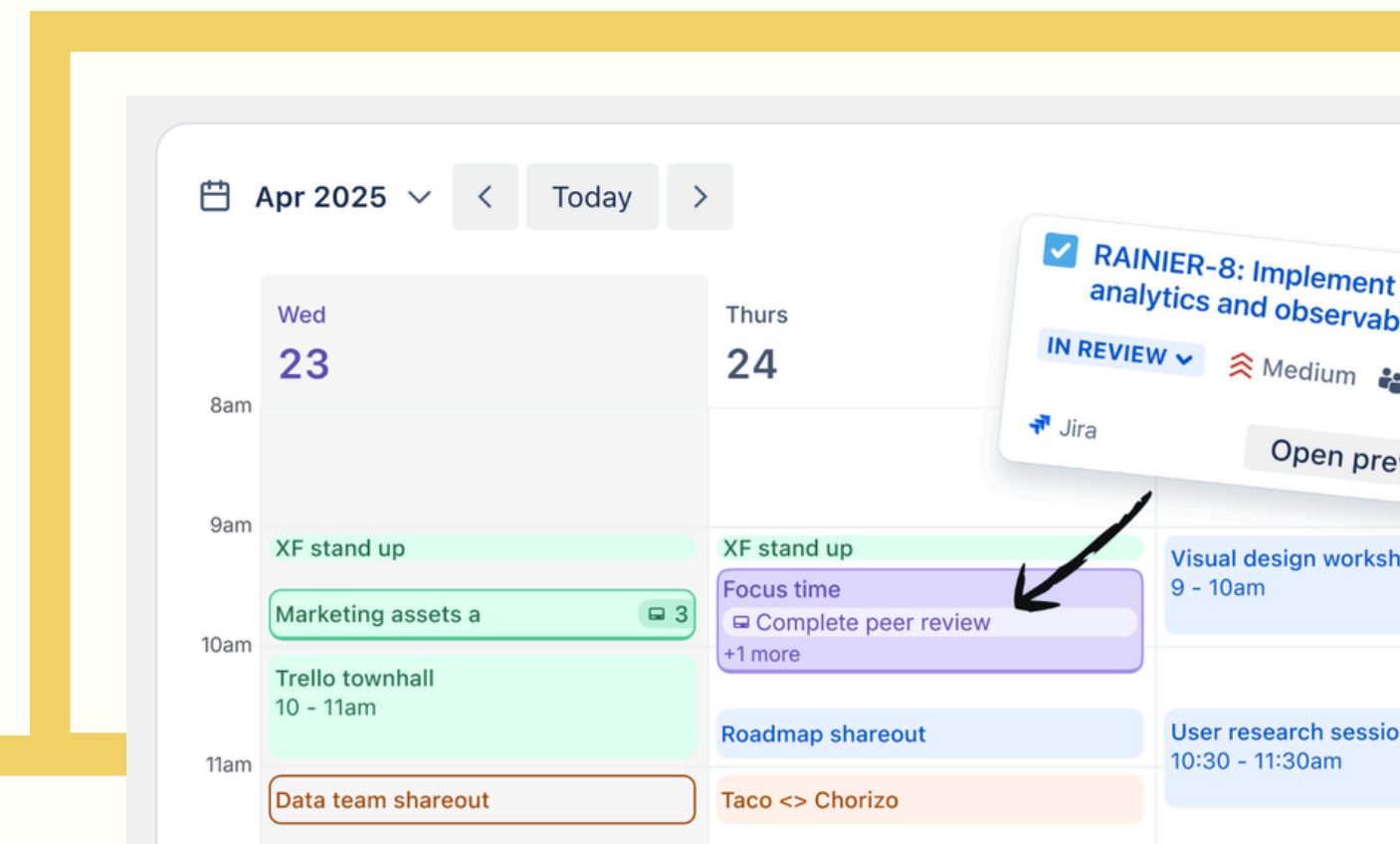
Task and Project Management



 Trello

 Jira

- **Structure:** Visual Kanban boards; task-based cards; status-driven workflows.
- **Functionalities:** Drag-and-drop interface; deadline tracking; team assignments.
- **Best for:** Coordinating team efforts, tracking publication pipelines, and managing grant deliverables.
- **Trello:** is simple and intuitive (best for small teams/individual projects).
- **Jira:** complex and highly technical (originally for software development). Best for large-scale projects.
- **Pricing:** Free versions available for small teams.

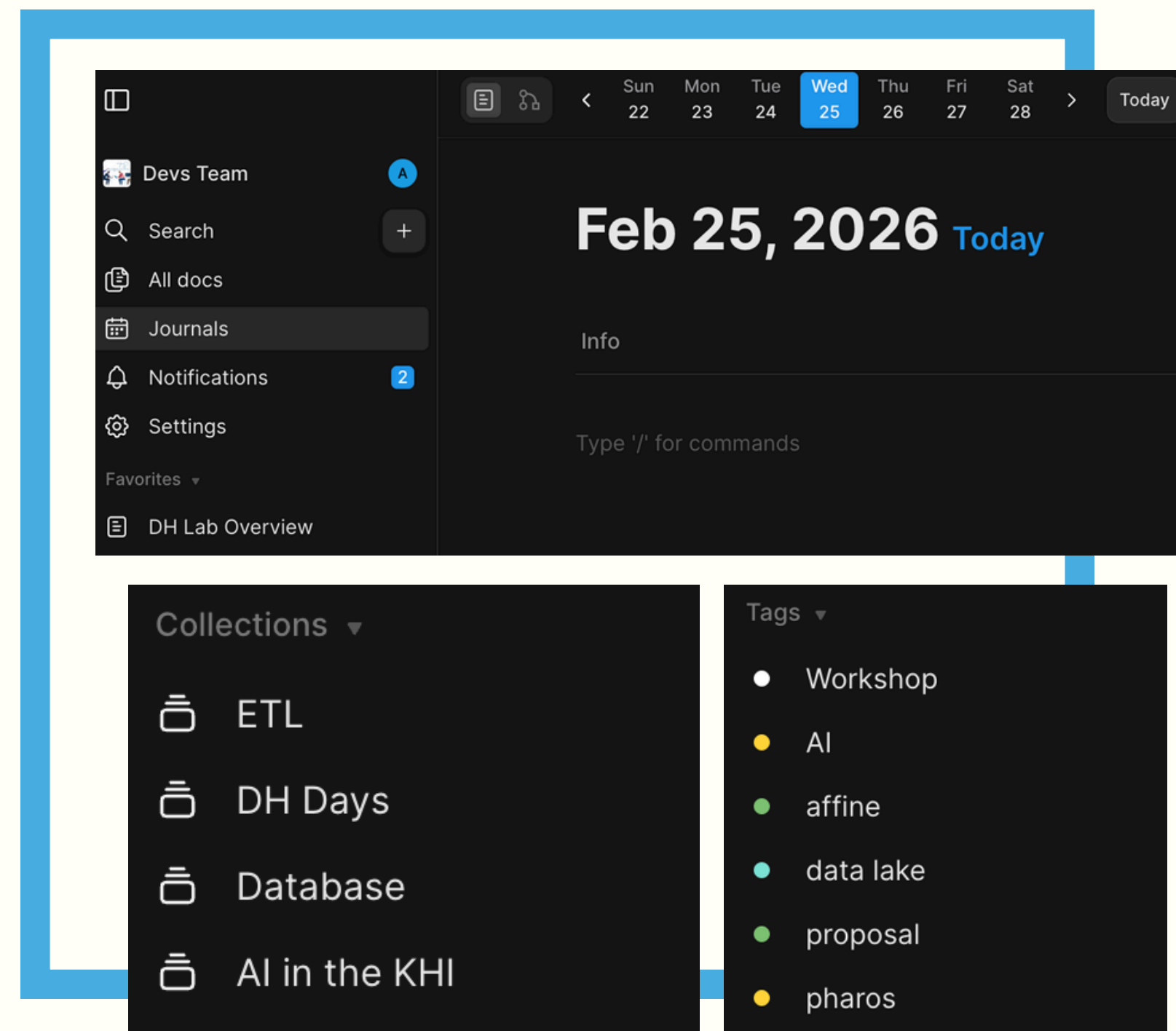


In-Depth Overview: AFFiNE



AFFiNE

- An open-source alternative to Notion, available online or as desktop app.
- **Main Feature:** It combines standard text documents with visual whiteboards in one application. Allows collaborative work.
- **Structure:** text documents, whiteboards, tags, collections, folders, journal.
- **Goal:** To reduce the need to switch between different apps for writing and brainstorming.



AFFiNE: Page Mode vs. Canvas Mode



- **Page Mode:** Used for standard writing, outlining, and creating tables.
- **Canvas Mode:** An infinite whiteboard for mind-mapping and arranging visual elements.

A screenshot of the AFFiNE Page Mode interface. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Devs Team, Search, All docs, Journals, Notifications (with a '2' badge), Settings, Favorites, DH Lab Overview, Organize, Migration data, Tags, Collections, Others, and Trash. The main content area displays the title "AFFiNE Overview" and a list of elements: Paragraph, Link, and Linked document. Below the list, it says "Type '/' for commands".

A screenshot of the AFFiNE Canvas Mode interface. The left sidebar is identical to the Page Mode view. The main content area shows a mind map with a central node titled "AFFiNE Overview" and two child nodes, "CONCEPT 2" and "CONCEPT 1", connected by curved arrows. Each node contains a list of elements: Paragraph, Link, and Linked document.

The Complete Workflow



Research Phase	Primary Activity	Recommended Tools
DATA	Collect, clean, store	Tropy, OpenRefine, Keeper
SYNTHESIS	Connect and analyze	Obsidian, Logseq, AFFiNE
OUTPUT	Write and cite	AFFiNE, Notion, Zotero
PROCESS	Manage Tasks	Trello, Jira

Resources



- * <https://obsidian.md/>
- * <https://www.notion.com/>
- * <https://logseq.com/>
- * <https://trello.com/>
- * <https://www.atlassian.com/software/jira>
- * <https://affine.pro/>

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