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## No Anticipation, No Wellbeing

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# No Anticipation, No Wellbeing

The background is a detailed painting of a grand, ornate hall with a high, vaulted ceiling. The architecture features classical arches and columns. Numerous figures in period clothing are engaged in various activities, such as reading, writing, and conversing. The scene is brightly lit, creating a sense of depth and grandeur.

**« Le seul véritable voyage  
ce ne serait pas  
d'aller vers de nouveaux paysages,  
mais d'avoir d'autres yeux... »**

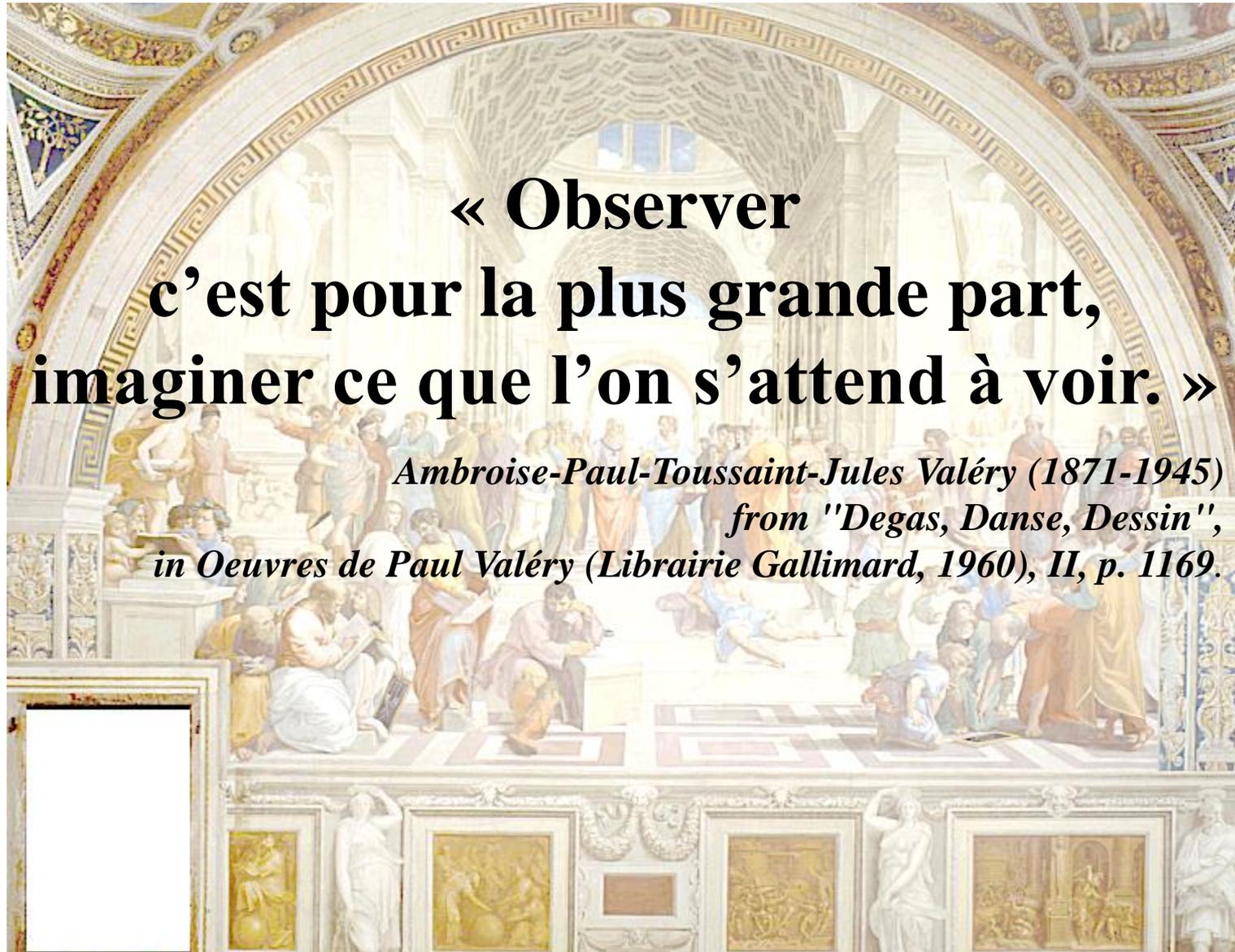
*Valentin Louis Georges Eugène Marcel Proust (1871-1922)  
from *La Prisonnière* (1923).*



# No Anticipation, No Wellbeing

**« Observer  
c'est pour la plus grande part,  
imaginer ce que l'on s'attend à voir. »**

*Ambroise-Paul-Toussaint-Jules Valéry (1871-1945)  
from "Degas, Danse, Dessin",  
in Oeuvres de Paul Valéry (Librairie Gallimard, 1960), II, p. 1169.*





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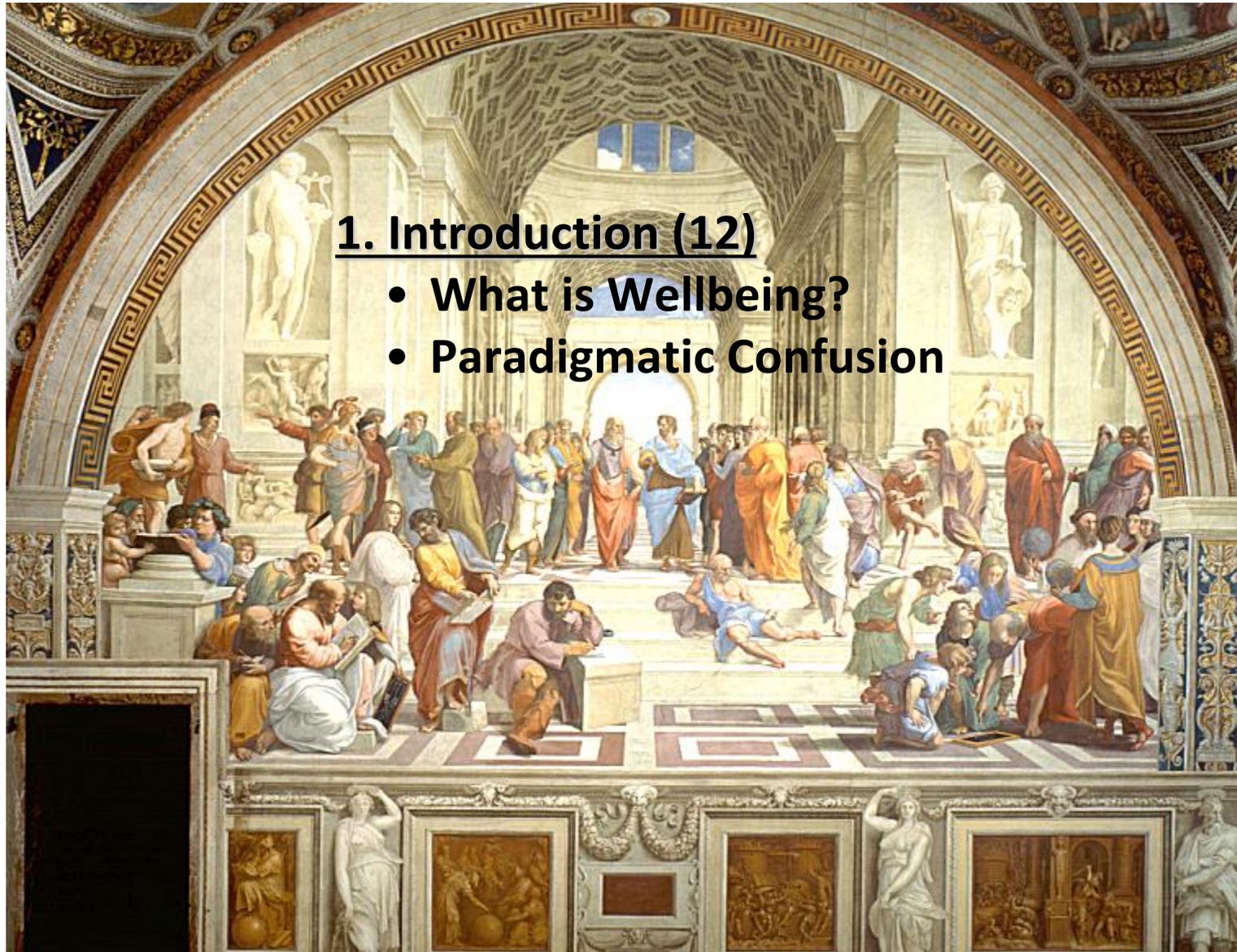
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- Work In Progress





# 1. Introduction (00)



## 1. Introduction (12)

- What is Wellbeing?
- Paradigmatic Confusion



# 1. Introduction (01)

## What is Wellbeing?

### well-being

*noun*

the state of being comfortable, healthy, or happy.

"an improvement in the patient's well-being"

*synonyms:* welfare, health, good health, happiness, comfort, security, safety, protection, prosperity, profit, good, success, fortune, good fortune, advantage, interest, prosperousness, successfulness

"the nurse's prime concern is the well-being of the patient"

Translations, word origin, and more definitions



# 1. Introduction (02)

## What is Wellbeing?

Contrary to popular belief, **wellbeing** is different from 'happiness'. **Happiness** can come and go in a moment, whereas **wellbeing** is a more stable state of **being well, feeling satisfied and contented.**

(Australian Unity Wellbeing Index, 2015)



# 1. Introduction (03)

## What is Wellbeing?

- ❑ **Wellbeing** is often simply defined as **feeling good and functioning well**. This includes having a **fair share of material resources, influence and control, a sense of meaning, belonging and connection with people and place and the capability to manage problems and change**.
- ❑ There is abundant evidence to demonstrate that the **skills and attributes associated with wellbeing are a core asset, protecting and enhancing the lives of individuals and communities**.
- ❑ Improving your **wellbeing not only leads to the prevention of disease, but can lead to outcomes that include:**  
better physical health, healthier lifestyles, improved recovery from illness, fewer limitations in daily living, higher educational attainment, greater productivity, employment and earnings, better relationships with adults and children, more social cohesion and engagement, improved quality of life.

(L. Friedli, 2009)



# 1. Introduction (04)

## The Challenge of Defining Wellbeing

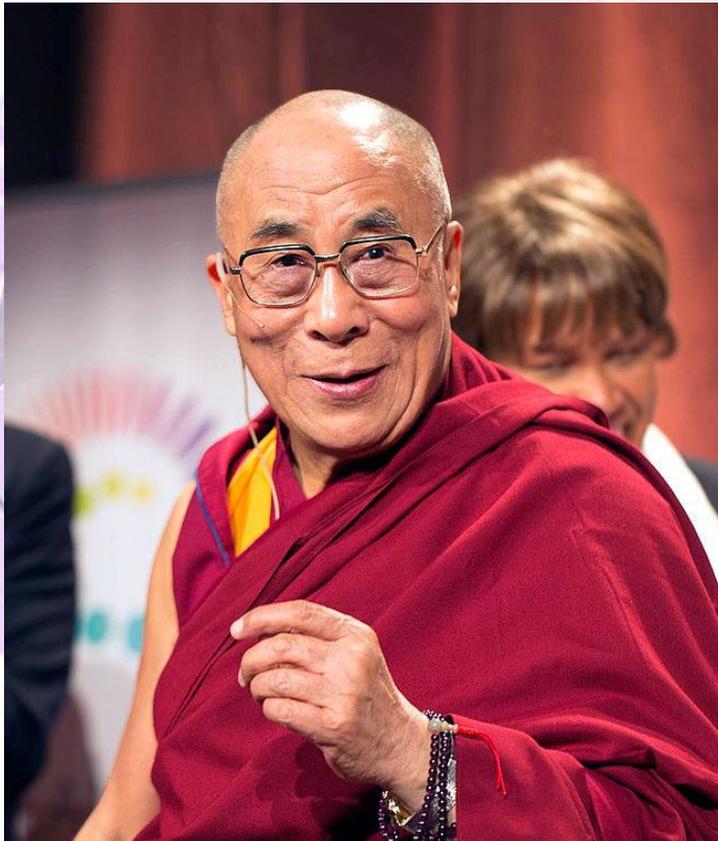


(Dodge, Daly, Huyton, 2012)



# 1. Introduction (05)

## The Challenge of Defining Wellbeing



Learning according to Tenzin Gyatso,  
the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama (1935-)

**Because we all share this small planet Earth, we have to learn to live in harmony and peace with each other and with Nature. That is not just a dream, but a necessity.**





# 1. Introduction (07)

## There are four keys to a science

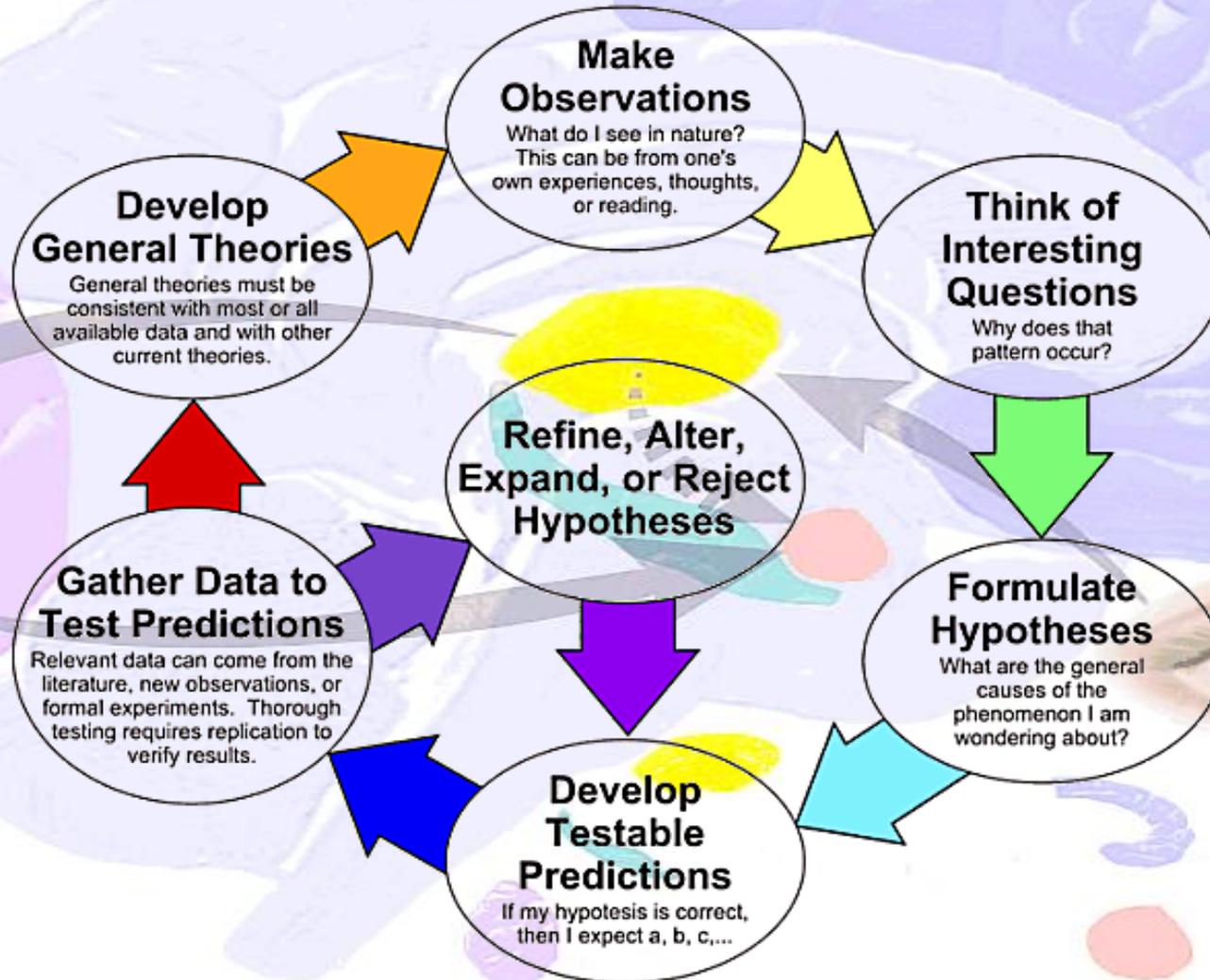
- ❑ Based on observation shareable data which are independent of any one subject's perspective.
- ❑ Based on a mathematical measuring system.
- ❑ Universally applicable.
- ❑ Subject to empirical testing to confirm the observations.

**As a result, the applications of science must be valid and reliable.**



# 1. Introduction (08)

## The Scientific Method As an Ongoing Process





# 1. Introduction (09)

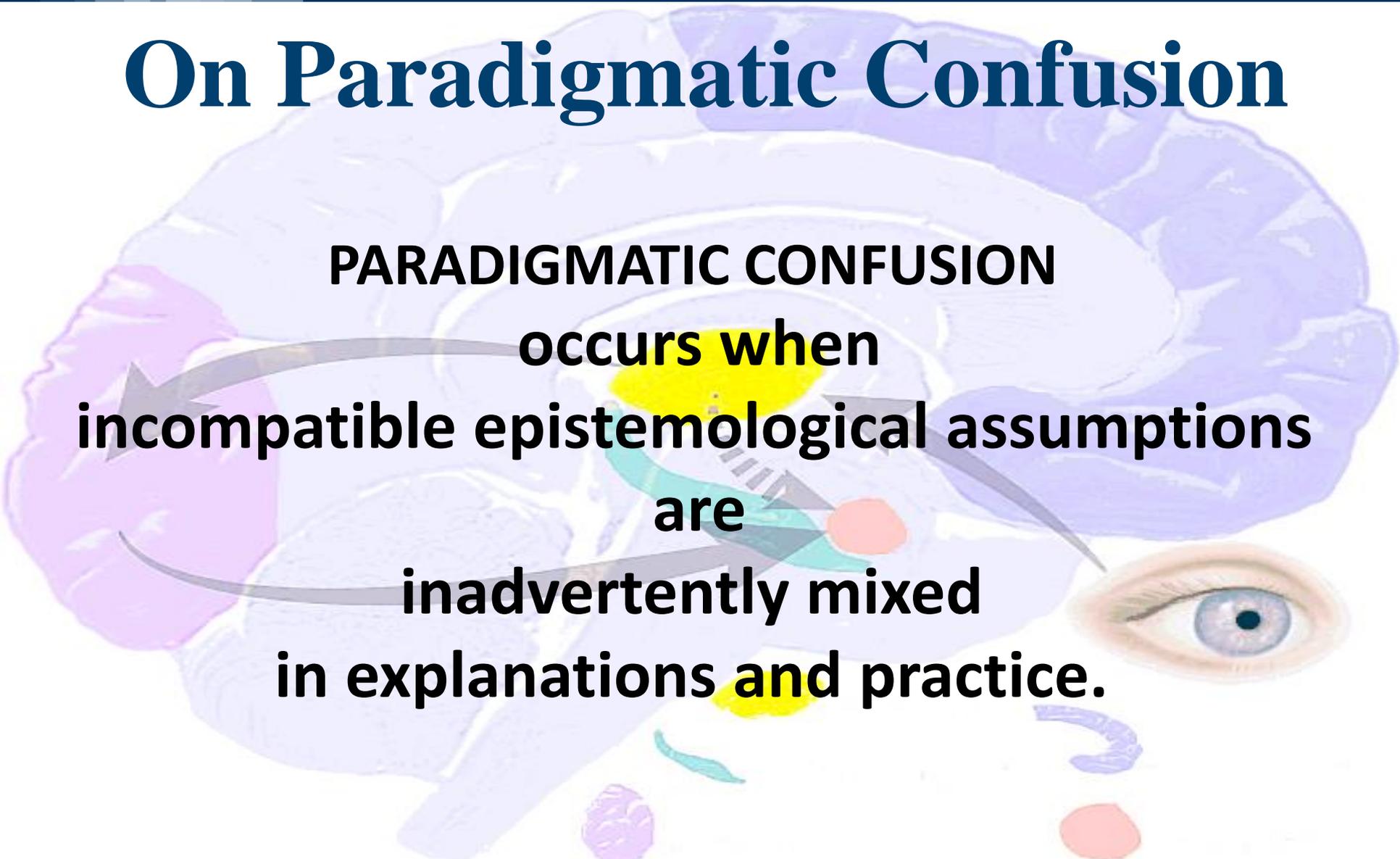
## Systemic Reference Paradigms

- ❑ **Naturalistic DaVincian (1478): sxt.**
- ❑ **Relativistic Galileinian (1632):  $t \equiv A$ ;  $s \equiv R$ .**
- ❑ **Reductionist Positivist (1687):  $t \equiv A$ ;  $s \equiv A$ .**
- ❑ **Relativistic Einsteinian (1921): sxt.**
- ❑ **Quantum Stochastic (1924–1927):  $E(f(sxt))$ .**  
(The Copenhagen Interpretation: Niels Bohr, Werner Heisenberg.)
- ❑ **Quantum Causal (1992): sxt (Open System).**  
(The de Broglie–Bohm theory Interpretation: Louis de Broglie, David Bohm.)
- ❑ **Quantum Transactional (1986-2013): (Open Systems).**  
(TIQM: John G. Cramer, R. Kastner.)
- ❑ **Quantum Relational (1994-1997): (Open Systems).**  
(The RQM Interpretation: Carlo Rovelli, Basvan Fraassen and by Michel Bitbol.)





## On Paradigmatic Confusion

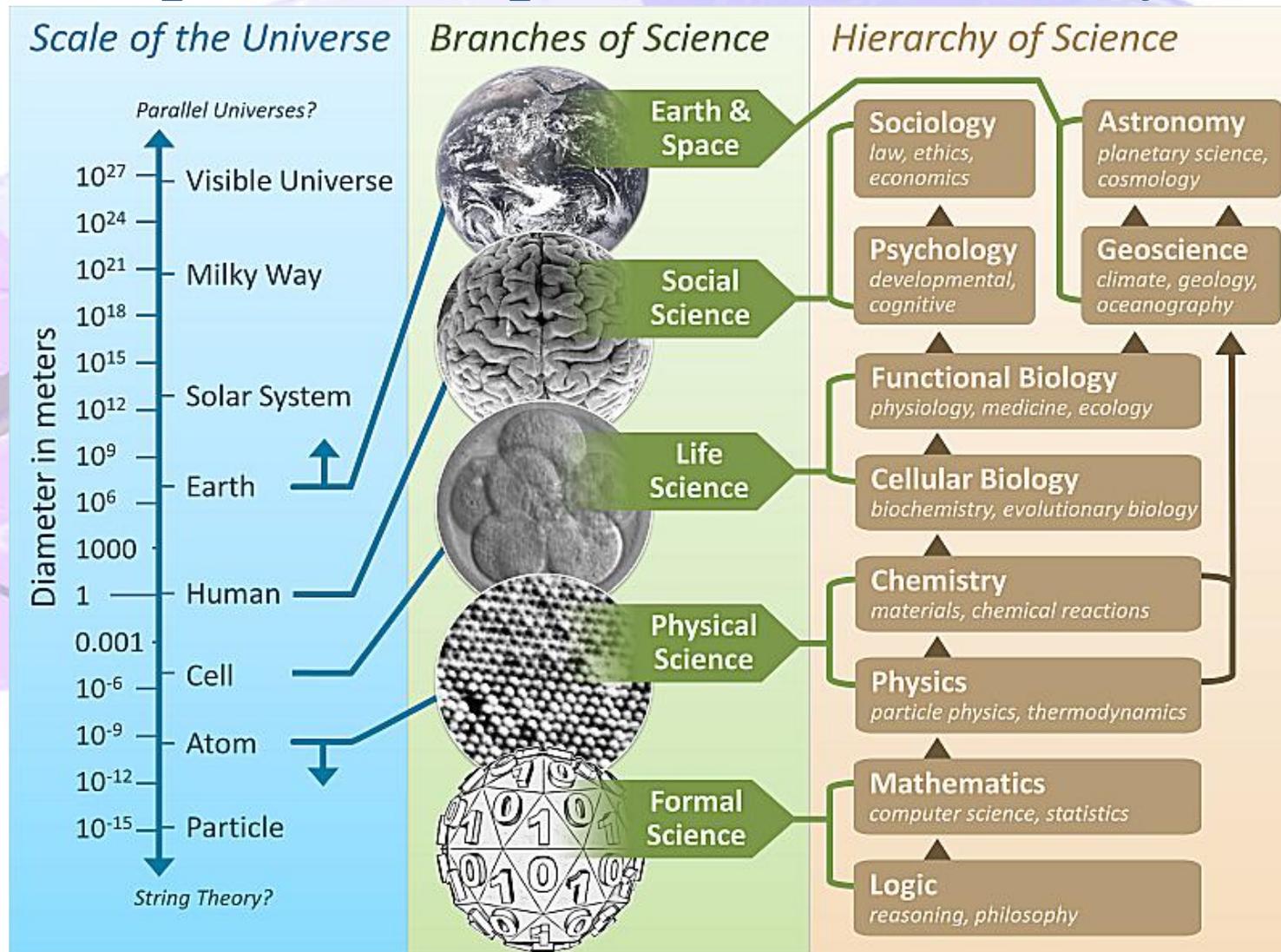


**PARADIGMATIC CONFUSION**  
occurs when  
incompatible epistemological assumptions  
are  
inadvertently mixed  
in explanations and practice.



# 1. Introduction (12)

## Example of Complex (Multi-Scale) System



## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (00)





## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (01)

### Consciousness: Higher Levels

There are many ways that **human intelligence** differs from that of animals, but one of the most obvious is our level of **self-awareness**. In scientific literature, this faculty is often referred to as **Introspection** or **Metacognition**, in a wider meaning.

It is the ability to **self-reflect**, to know about yourself. **Introspection** seems to be quite core to who we are.

There have been hints of this capacity in dolphins and monkeys, for instance, although skeptics say there could be other explanations for the results.

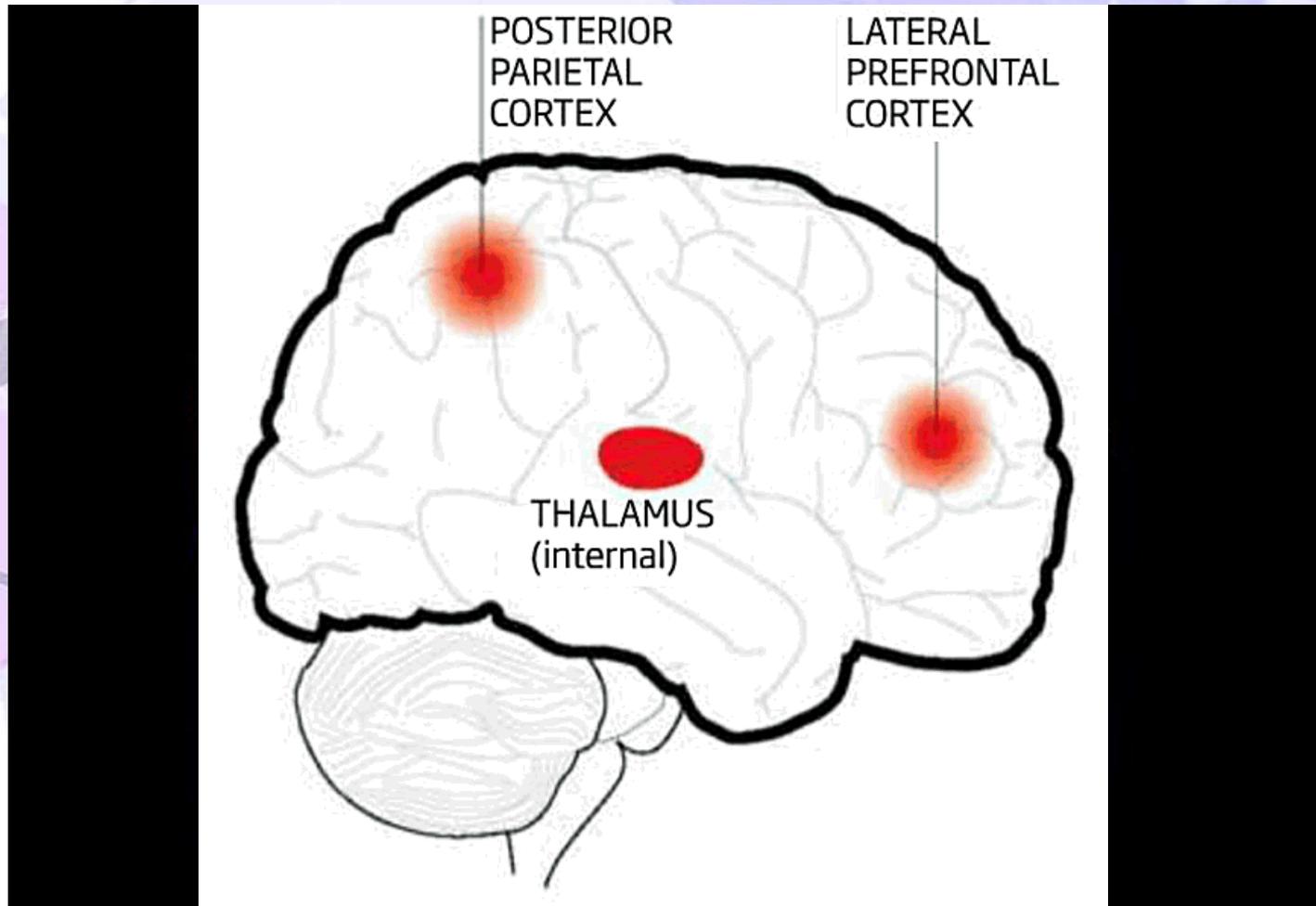
Scanning the brain of humans while they carry out **metacognitive tasks** suggests the seat of this ability lies in part in our **prefrontal cortex**, at the front of our head, mainly.

(Steve Fleming, *New Scientist*, Vol.218, No 2917, 2013, p.35-37)



## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (02)

# Consciousness: Main Centers of the Human Brain



( James Gorman's brain visualization, Washington University in St. Louis, 2014.)



## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (03)

**Human Being** is different from other living beings because can have **rational decision**.





## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (04)



**Rational Human Thinking** is like a solid archipelago emerging from an ocean of intuitions.





## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (05)

**Human brain is an harmonization machine fed by unaware intuitions to produce learning and rational awareness.**





## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (06)

### Human brain as an Harmonization Machine

#### EULOGIC THOUGHT

##### PALEOLOGIC THOUGHT

- Intelligent
- Coupled
- Relational
- Teleologic
  - Harmonization
  - Surviving
- Deterministic
- Open Logic
- Learning from Experience
- Subjective

##### NEOLOGIC THOUGHT

- Rational Thinking
- Analytical
- Metacognitive Abstraction
- Free Will
- Symbolic Reasoning
- Learning To Learn
- Focused Attention
- Closed Logic
- Body Independent
- Shared (Objective)

HUMAN CREATIVITY



## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (07)

# Creativity is Value Driven

- ❑ The human mind-brain has a genetic disposition and desire to create value.
- ❑ The more value you can create the more success and happiness you can achieve.
- ❑ While value is a subjective judgment in our minds, in nature the relative value of all things (tangible and intangible) is concrete and shareable.
- ❑ The Central Question of Life, Love and Leadership is:  
“What choice can I make and action can I take, in this moment, to create the greatest net value?”



## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (08)

### Learning and Awareness (EPM)

According to **Elementary Pragmatic Model (EPM) Brain-Mind Model**, **two coupled fundamental processes** are at the **core of human brain**:

**Process A** : Wiring and re-wiring of a **Focused Optimal Path (FOP)** to creatively reach a planned goal.

**Process B** : **Process A** rational assessment and endorsement (checking + **FOP** updating if needed).

(Piero De Giacomo, 1982)



## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (09)



### Learning and Awareness (EPM)

According to **Elementary Pragmatic Model (EPM) Brain-Mind Model**, **two coupled fundamental processes** are at the **core of human brain**:

**Process A** is fed by **definition doubting** and **compromising** mainly; the availability of an **environmental chaotic information redundant support is required** (RATL, Right Anterior Temporal Lobe):

**emotion → FOP (re-)wiring → sensation → action (survival oriented).**

**Process B** is based on **opposing, complementing and commanding**; **clearly defined formal rules are required** to actively operate:

**emotion → sensation → perception → action (learning oriented)**

**(i.e. solution path logical articulation → checking → difference learning).**

**(Piero De Giacomo, 1982)**



# 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (10)

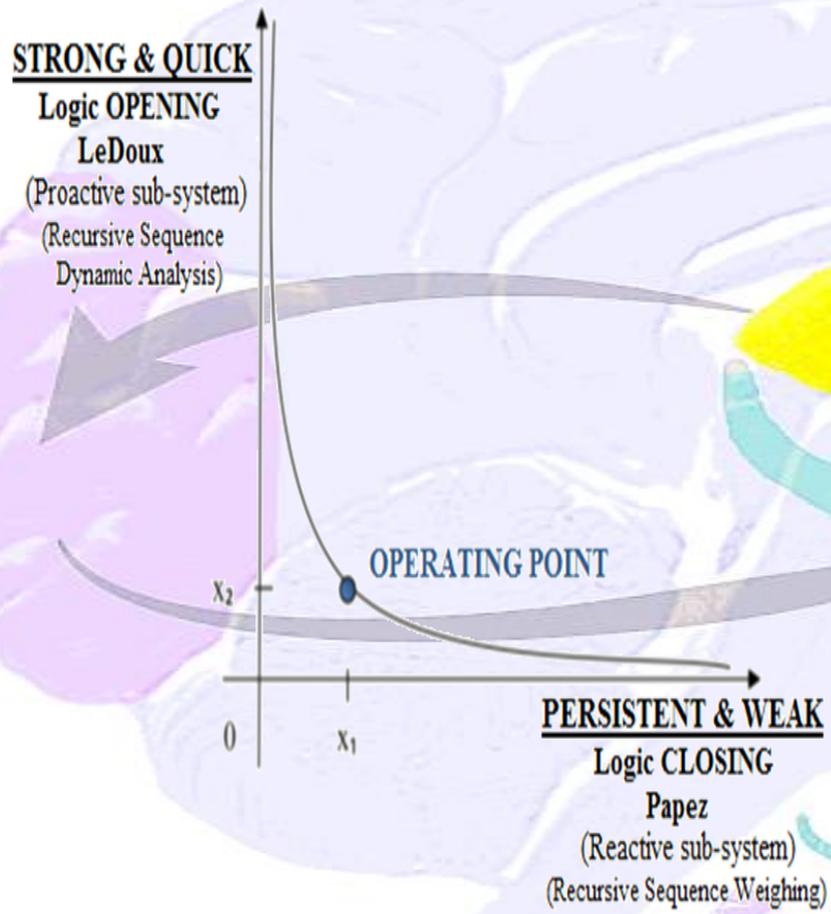
## Emergent Transdisciplinary Reality Level

✓ **Emotional Intelligence (EI) and Emotional Creativity (EC) coexist at the same time with Rational Thinking**, sharing the same input environment information.

✓ **Value Operating Point** as a trans-disciplinary reality level can emerge from two complementary irreducible, asymptotic ideal coupled concepts.

✓ To behave realistically, system must guarantee both Logical Aperture (to get EI and EC, to survive and grow) and **Logical Closure** (to get Rational Thinking, to learn and prosper), **both fed by environmental "noise"** (better... from what human beings call "noise").

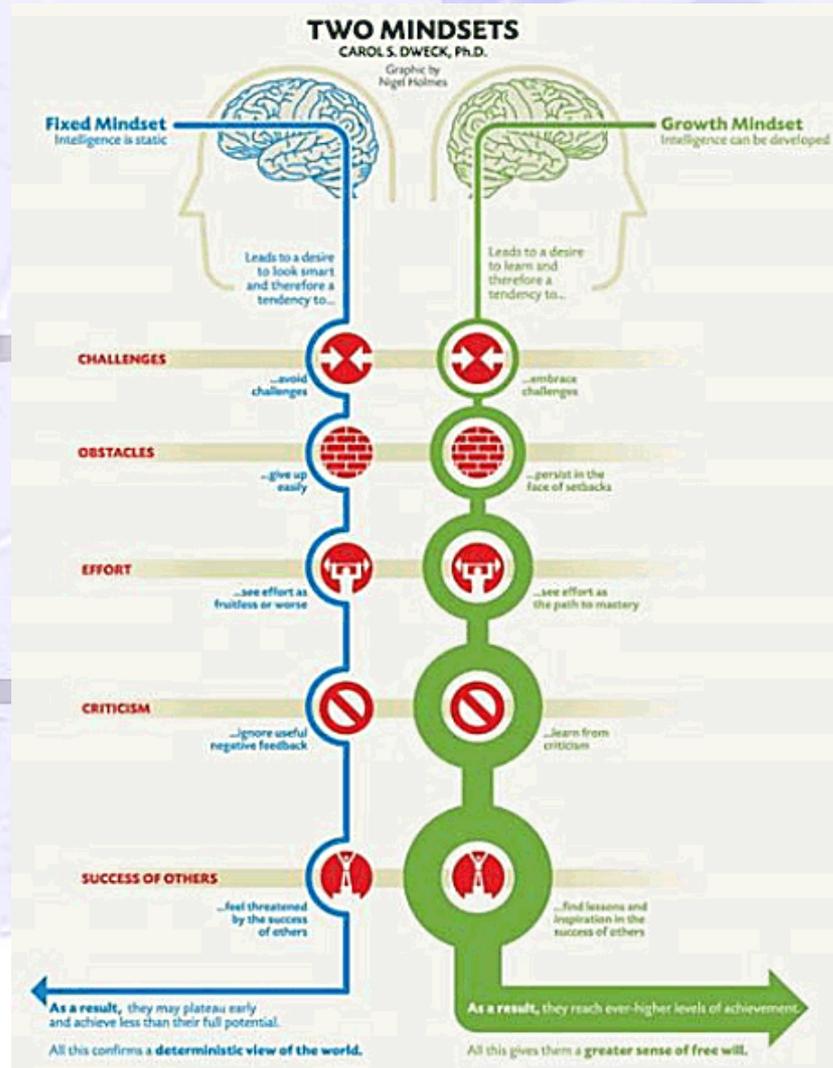
(R.A. Fiorini, 2014)





# 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (11)

## Fundamentalist vs. Evolutive





## 2. Creativity & Creative Thinking (12)



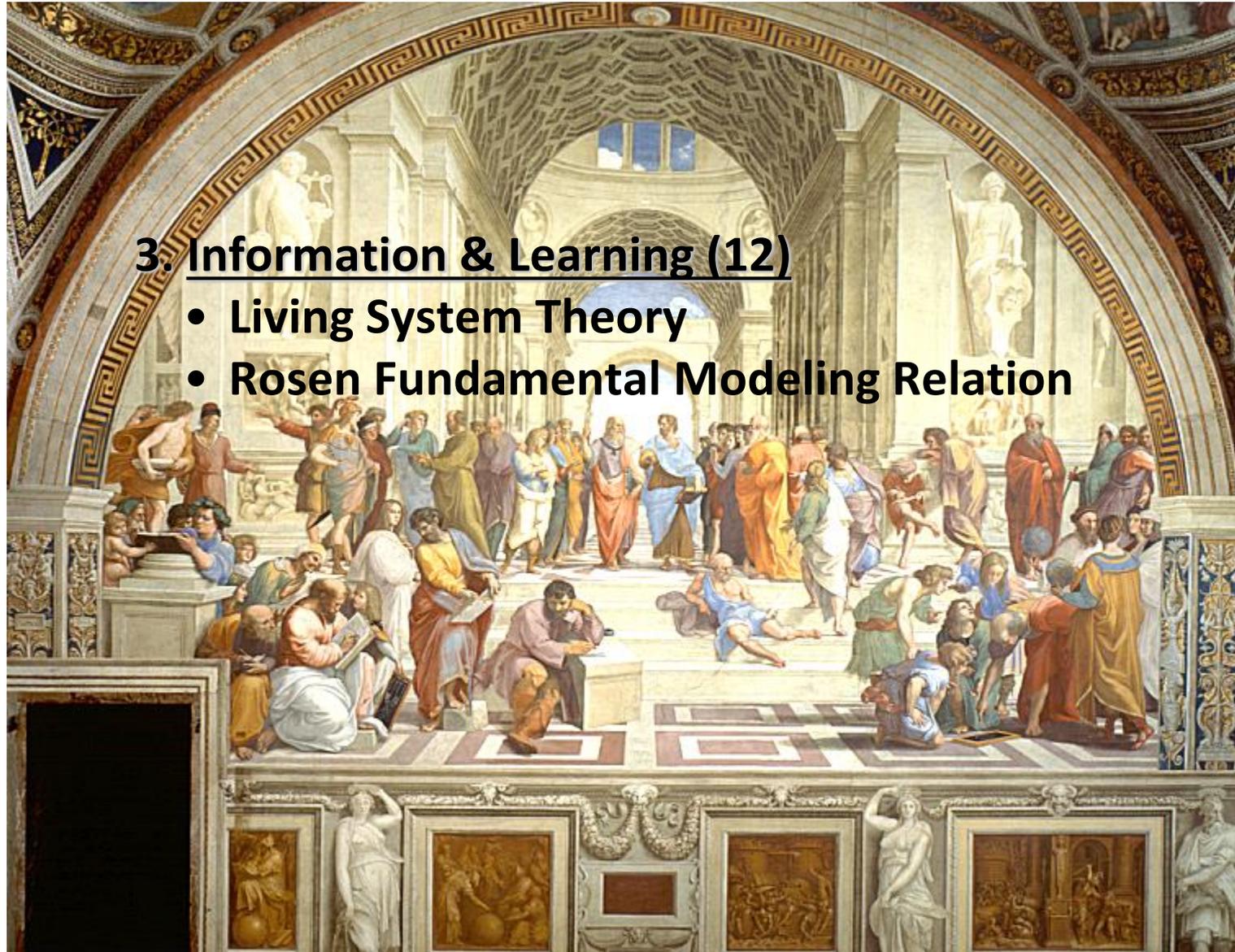
### Fundamentalist vs. Evolutive

*Knowledge is free  
You pay for  
ignorance*

# 3. Information & Learning (00)

## 3. Information & Learning (12)

- Living System Theory
- Rosen Fundamental Modeling Relation





## Information Evolutive Scale

**connectedness**

**wisdom**

understanding  
universal principles

**knowledge**

understanding  
value patterns

**information**

understanding  
relations

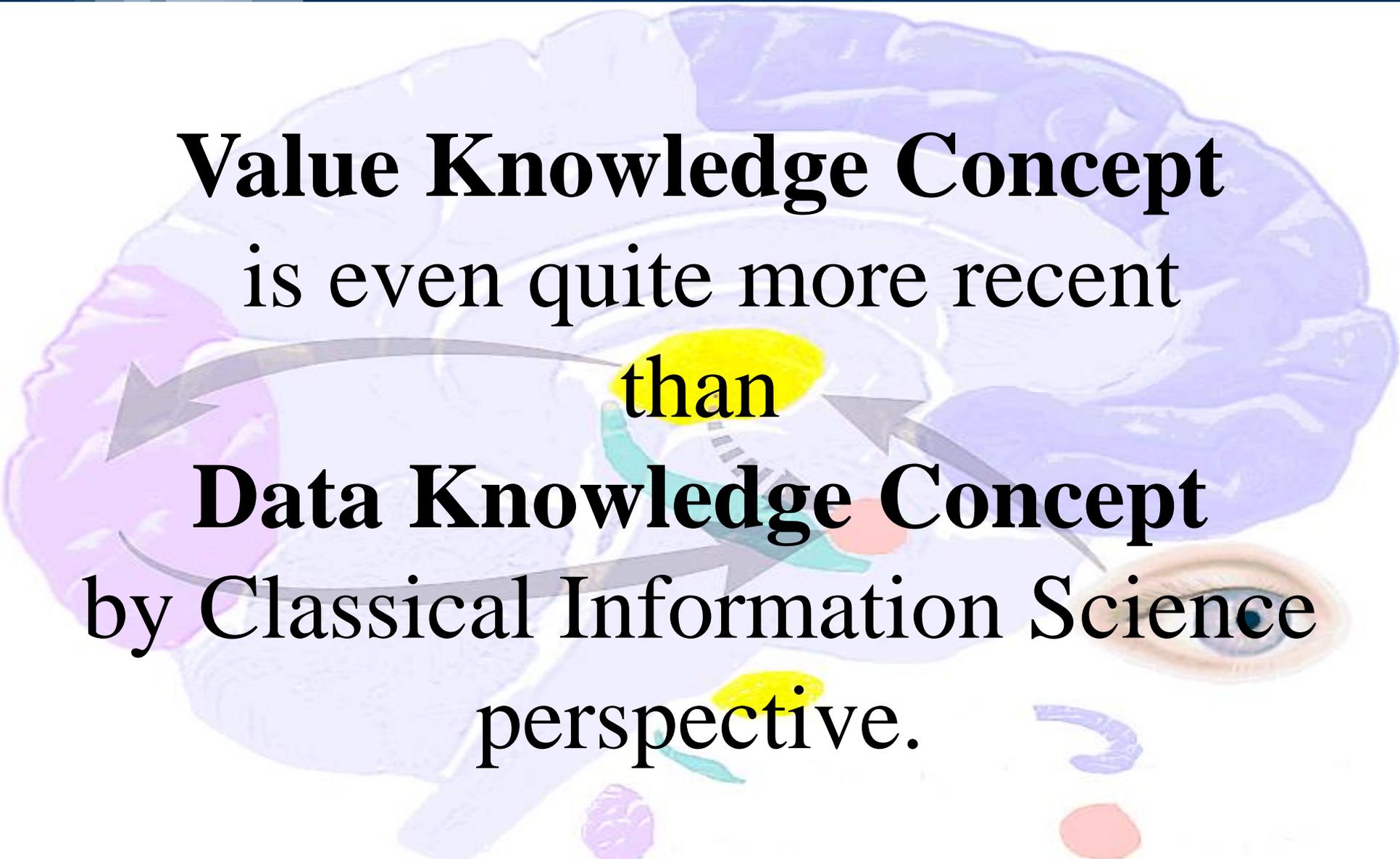
**data**

**understanding**

**Information Concept  
is quite recent**

**vs.**

**Matter and Energy Ones  
by Classical Physics perspective.**



**Value Knowledge Concept**  
is even quite more recent  
**than**  
**Data Knowledge Concept**  
by Classical Information Science  
perspective.

# 3. Information & Learning (04)

## Two Large Systemic Research Areas to Living System Theory

- **Formal Approach (What is Life?):**

Erwin Rudolf Josef Alexander Schrödinger (1887 – 1961)

Norbert Wiener (1894 – 1964)

Ludwig von Bertalanffy (1901 – 1972)

James Grier Miller (1916 – 2002)

...

- **Substantial Approach (Why Life?):**

Vladimir Ivanovič Vernadskij (1863 – 1945)

Nicolas Rashevsky (1899 – 1972)

Robert S. Hartman ((1910 – 1973)

Robert Rosen (1934 – 1998)

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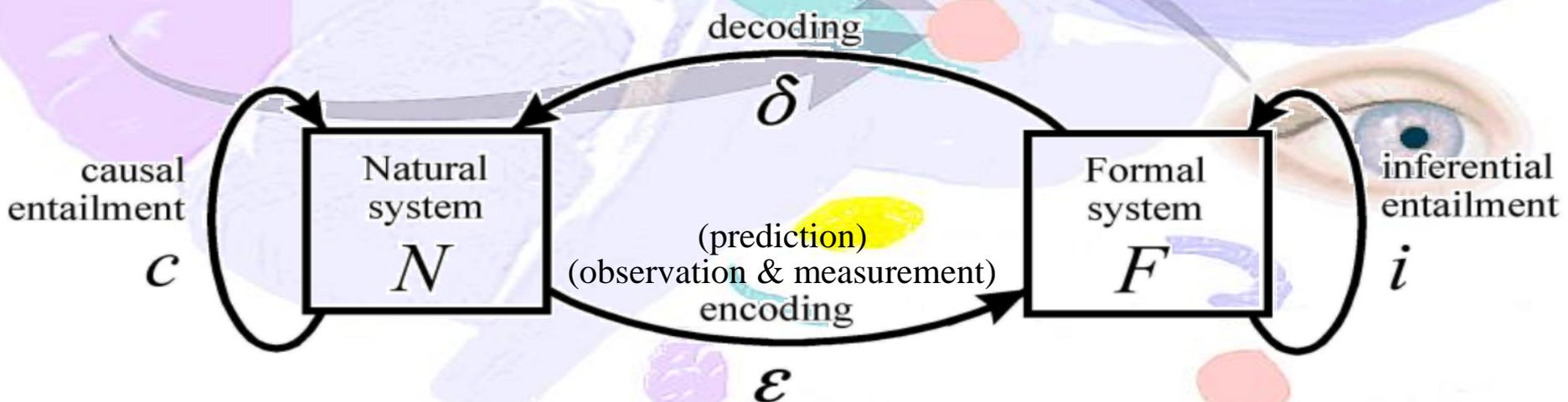
# 3. Information & Learning (05)

## Robert Rosen's Systemic Awareness of Anticipation



« ...any material realization of the (M,R)-system must have non-computable models. »

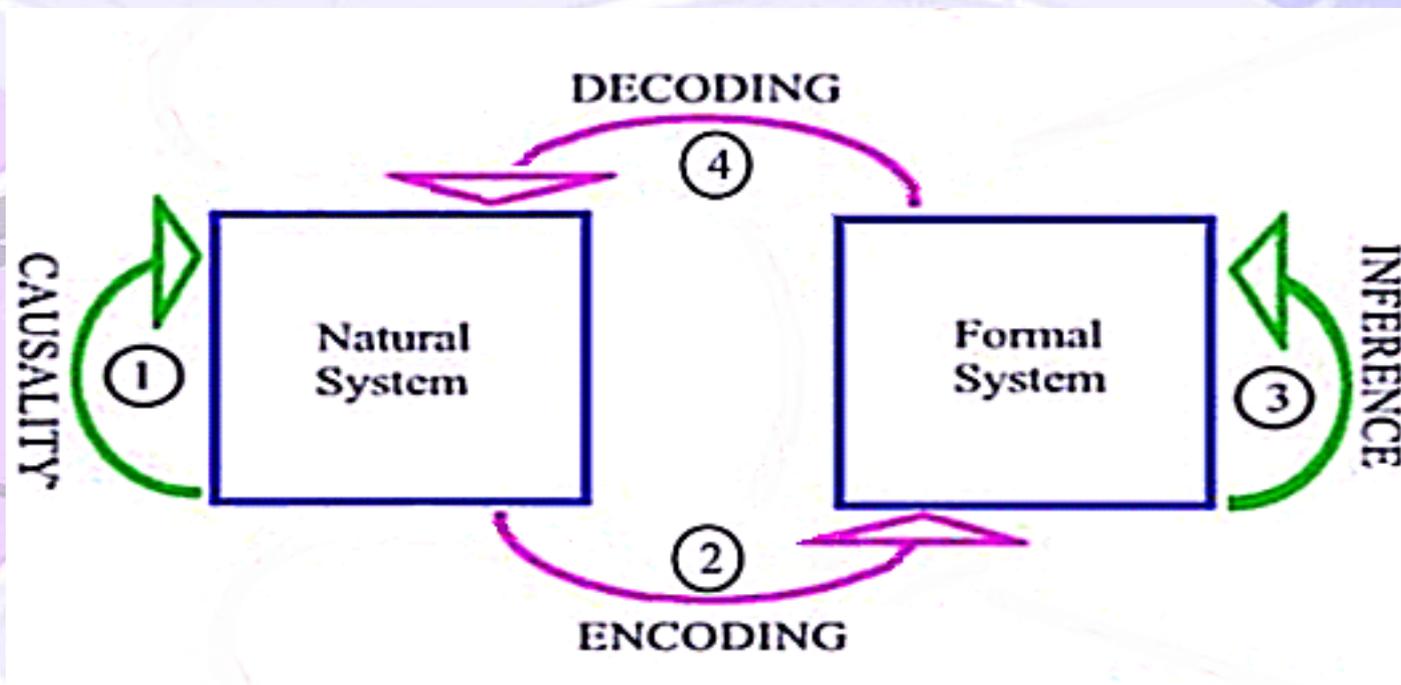
**Robert Rosen (1934 - 1998)**



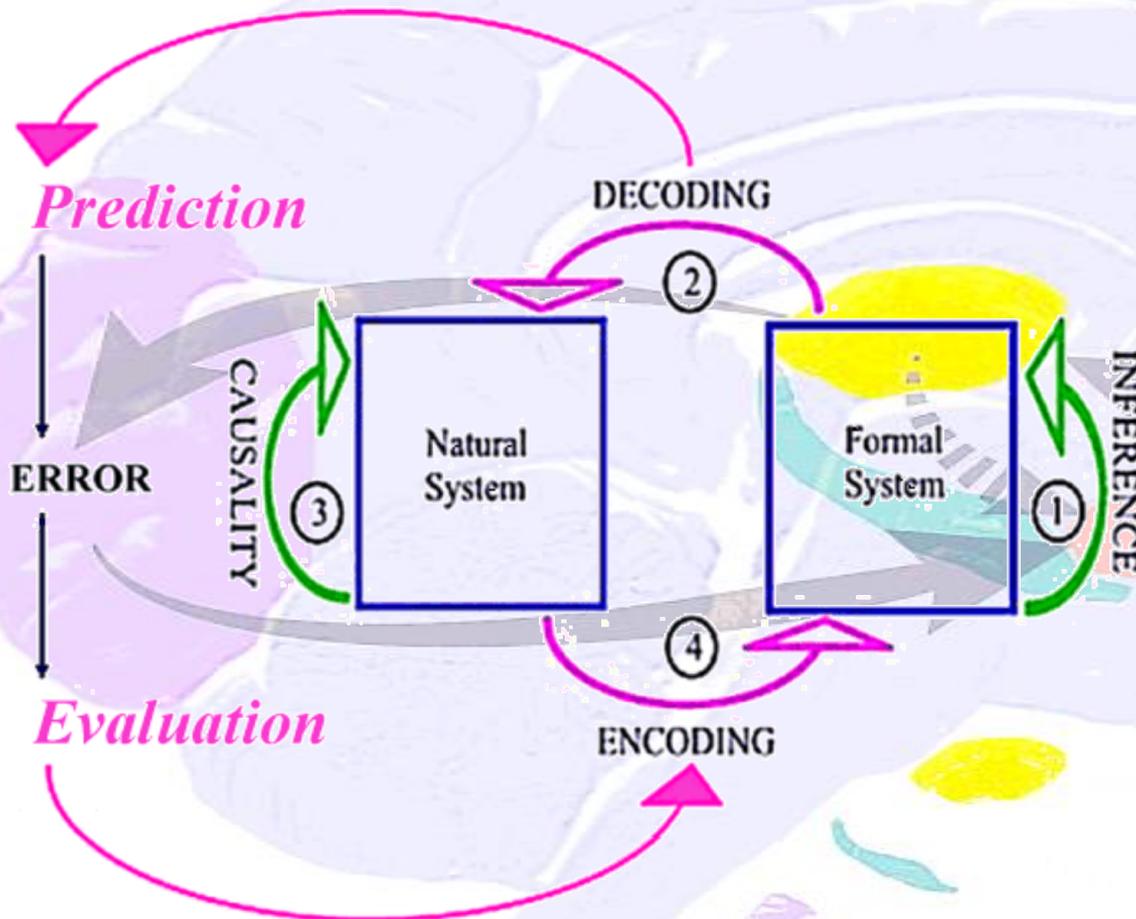


# 3. Information & Learning (06)

## R. Rosen Fundamental Modeling Relation



## Systemic Anticipation according to Robert Rosen

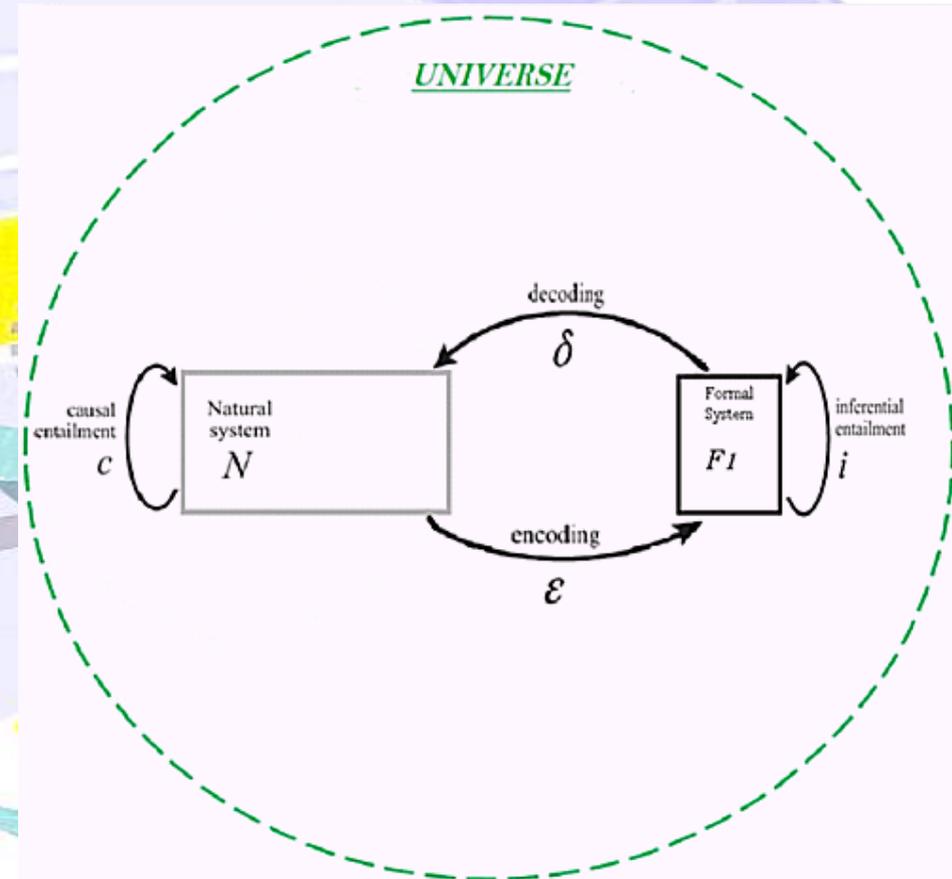
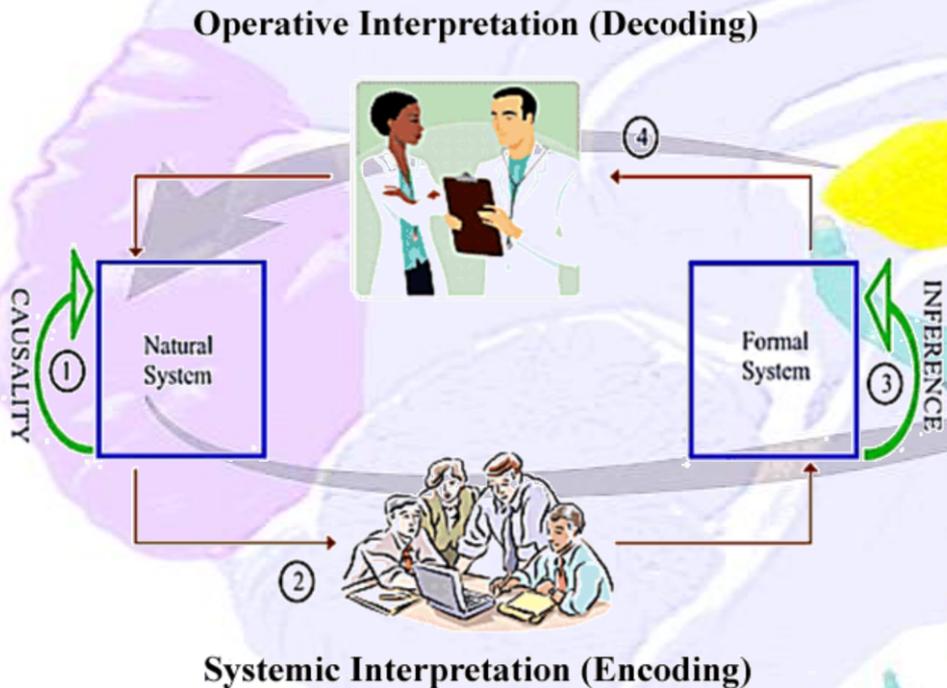


**Anticipatory System:**  
« A system containing a predictive model of itself and/or its environment, which allows it to change state at an instant in accord with the model's predictions pertaining to a later instant. »

(Robert Rosen, 1985)

# 3. Information & Learning (08)

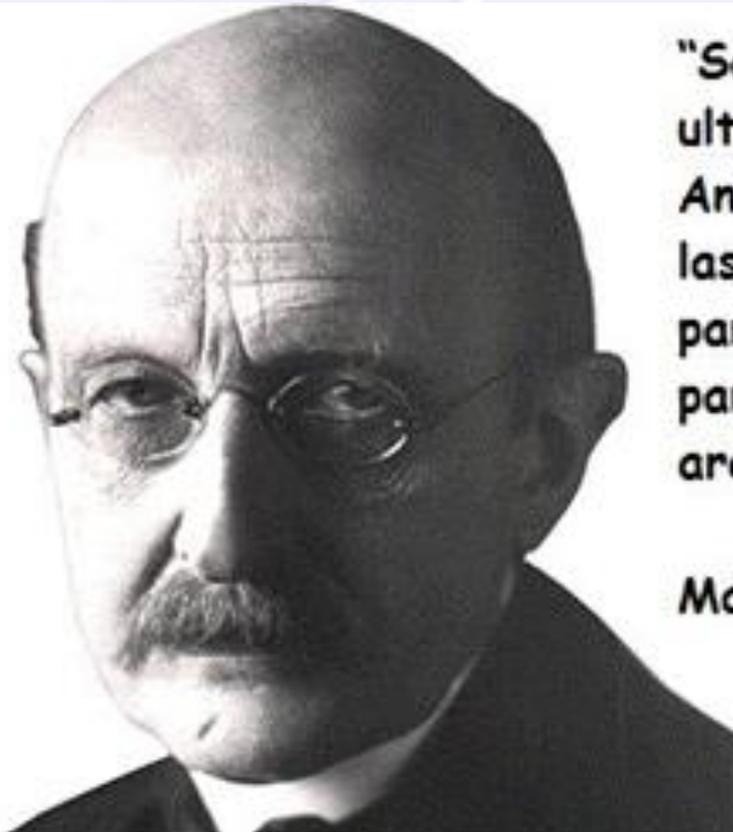
## R. Rosen Fundamental Modeling Relation





## 3. Information & Learning (09)

# Remembering The Great Pioneer of Quantum Physics

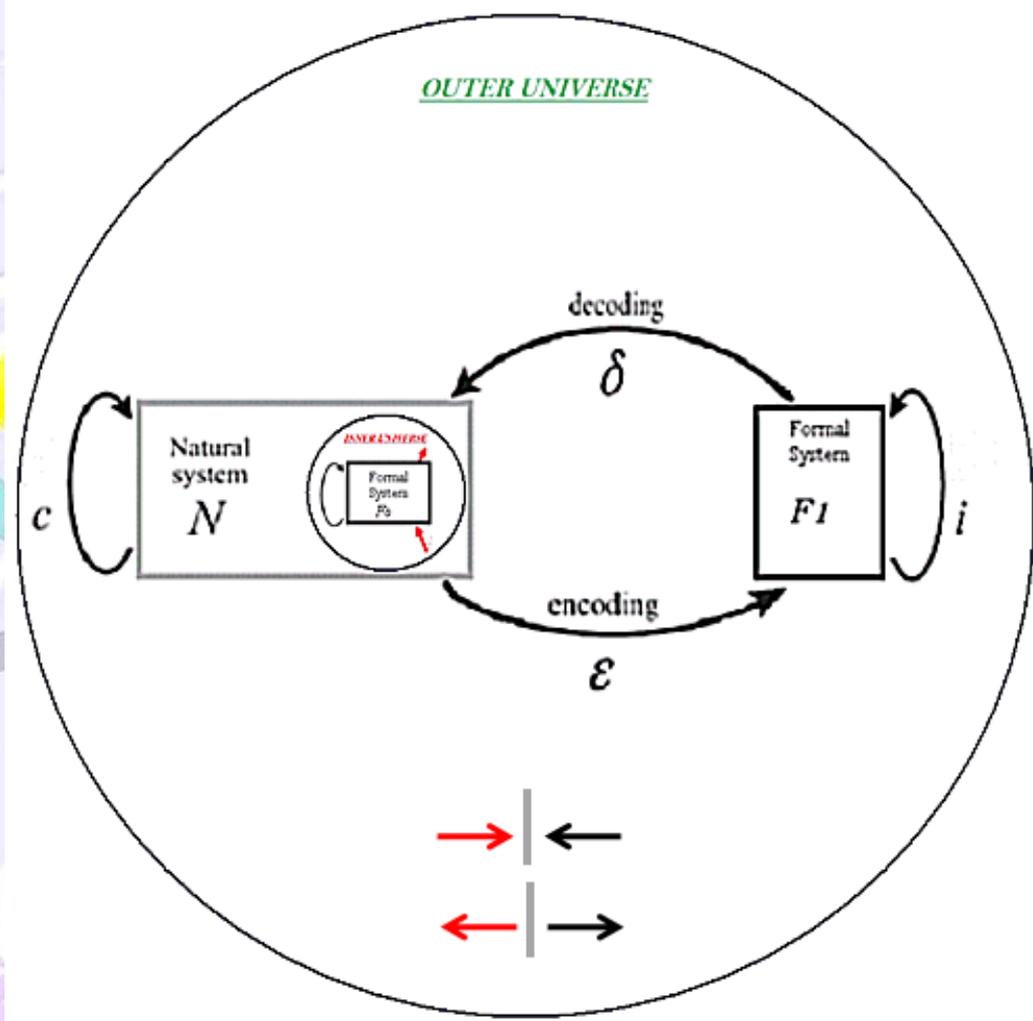
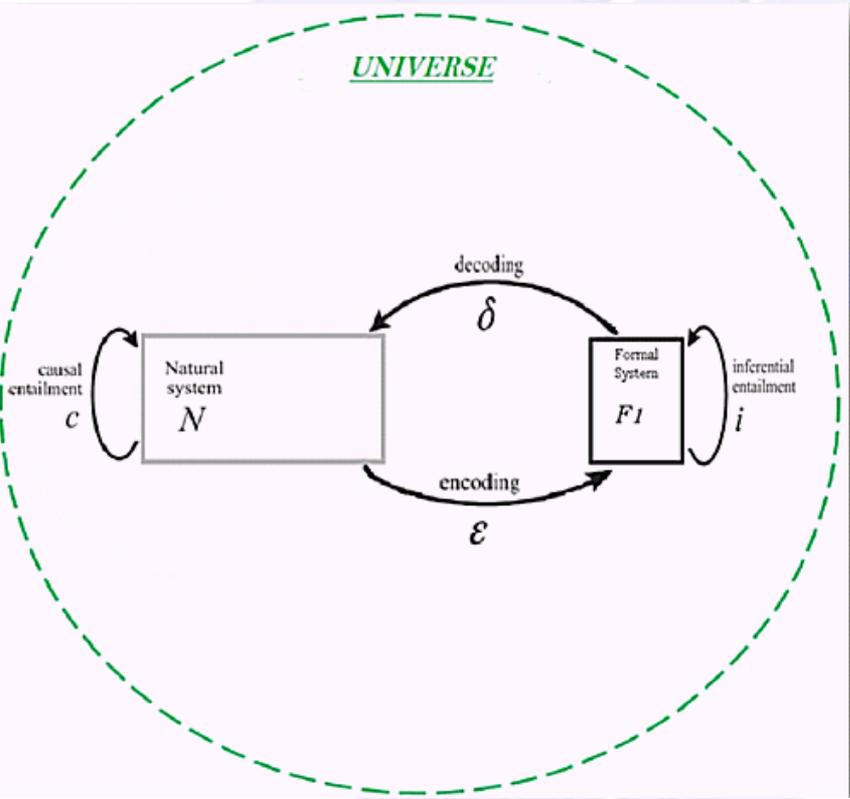


"Science cannot solve the ultimate mystery of nature. And that is because, in the last analysis, we ourselves are part of nature and therefore part of the mystery that we are trying to solve."

Max Planck

# 3. Information & Learning (10)

## R. Rosen Fundamental Modeling Relation (Reflexive/Reflective)



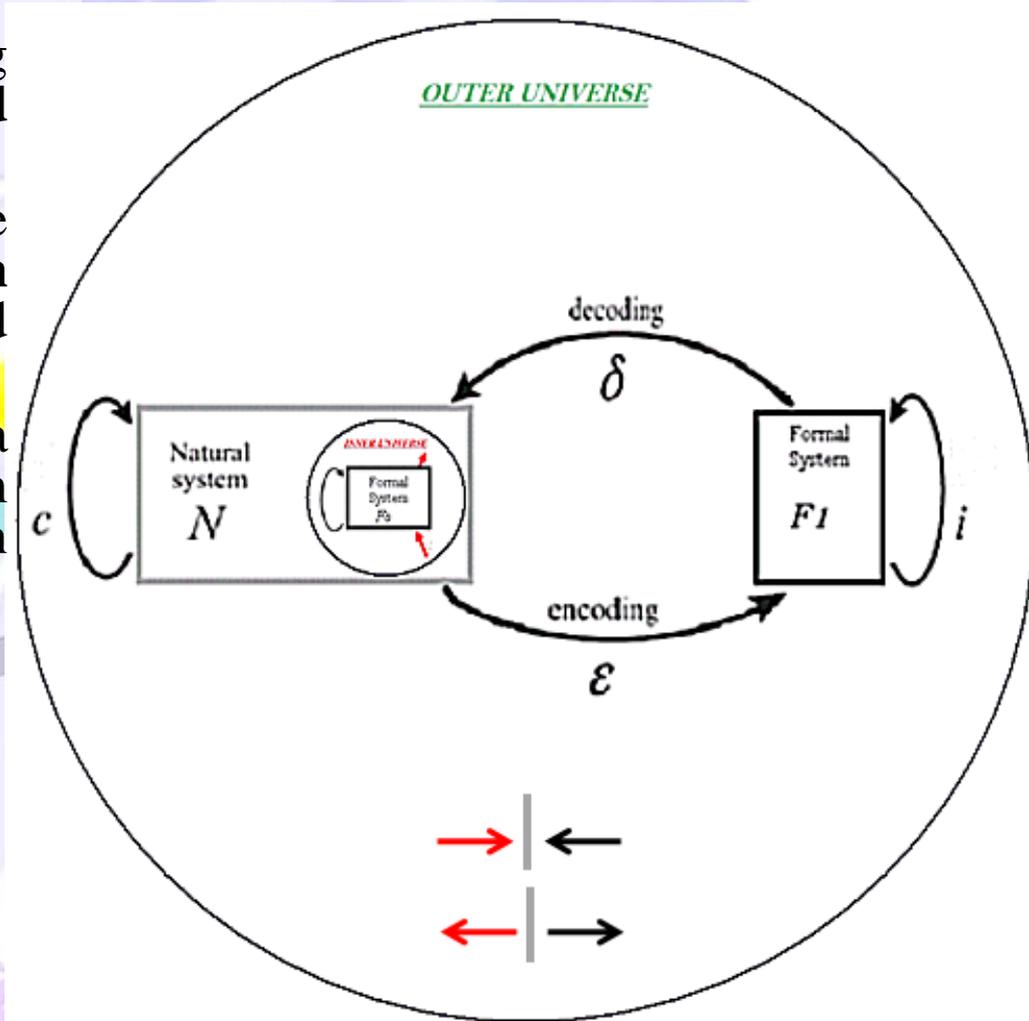
# 3. Information & Learning (11)

## R. Rosen Fundamental Modeling Relation (Reflexive/Reflective)

R. Rosen Fundamental Modeling Relation with **explicit Reflexive and Reflective Representations**.

Immediately, Reflexive and Reflective Representations create **two base system scaling symmetries**: convergent and divergent scaling symmetries.

They allow for the correspondence of a **Inner Universe** representation to an **Outer Universe** representation, both linked by the **Kelvin Transform**.



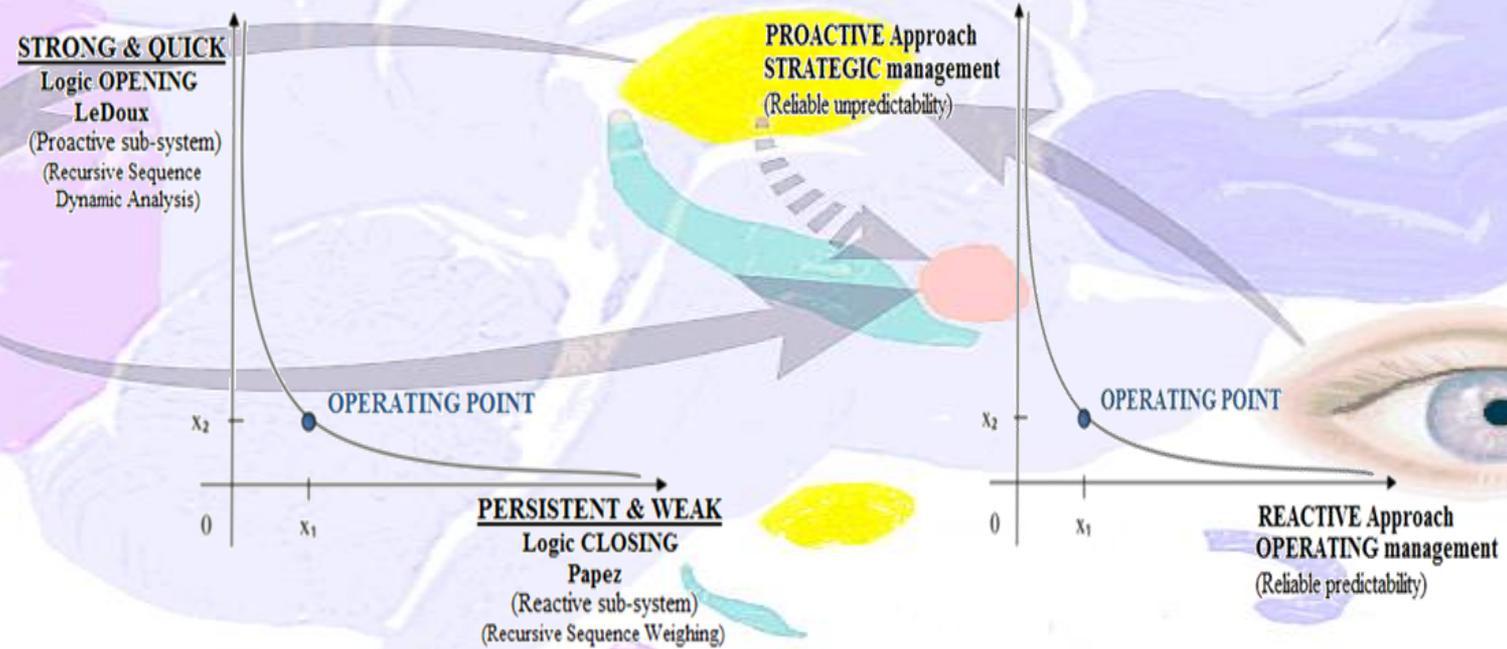
Convergent Scaling: 

Divergent Scaling: 

# 3. Information & Learning (12)

## Two Irreducible Subsystems based on Ideal Asymptotic Dichotomy

**Operating Point** can emerge as a new **Trans-disciplinary Reality Level**, based on an **irreducible complementary ideal asymptotic dichotomy**: Two Complementary Irreducible Coupled Computational Subsystems.





# 4. Uncertainty As Resource (00)



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (13)

- Systems Thinking
- Systemic Neuro-Axiological Approach



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (01)

# Systems Thinking and Scenario Analysis

Thanks to **Rosen Systemic Anticipation Concept**, traditional understanding, that past events are the primary drivers that influence how we understand the present, is undermined.

By interpreting the present as the time where the forces of the past and future meet, our understanding of the present changes from a "thin" (the present as a boundary without any extension between past and future) to a "thick" present (the present as the collection of reasonable, but even unlikely events).

By giving the future scientific legitimacy, a novel vision of science arises where a fully scientific treatment of "final" causation (= anticipation) is included and not rejected (**Science 2.0**) as is the case in the traditional scientific paradigm (**Science 1.0**).



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (02)

# Systems Thinking and Scenario Analysis

**Systems Thinking** is the process of understanding how those things which may be regarded as systems influence one another within a complete entity.

**Scenario Analysis**, is a strategic planning method to make flexible long-term plans. It is in large part a reframing and generalization of classic methods used by military intelligence.

**Scenario Planning** may involve specifically the recognition that many factors may combine in complex ways to create sometime surprising futures (due to non-linear feedback loops).

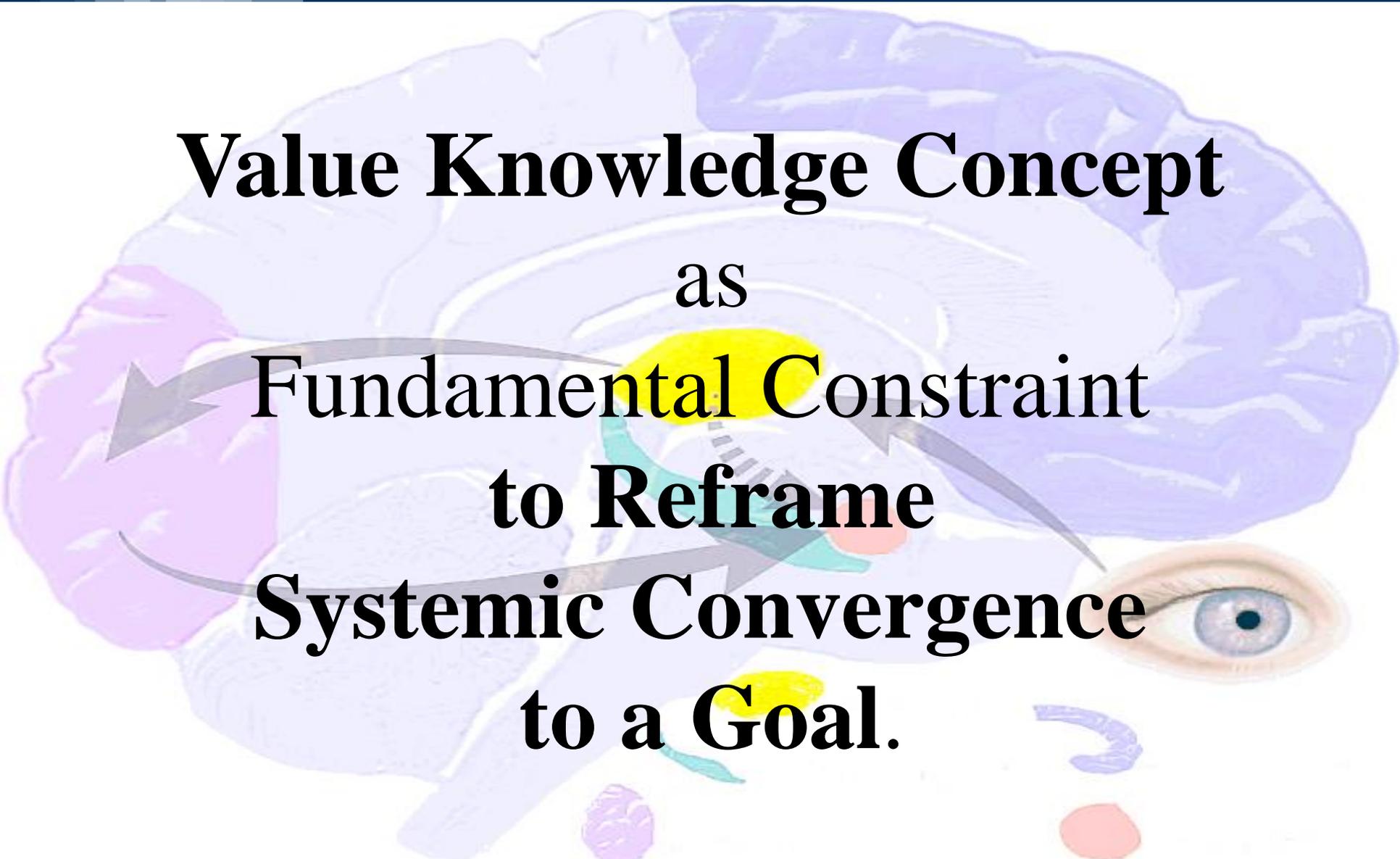


## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (03)

### Four Quadrant Scheme for Application-Domain Dichotomy

<b>APPLICATION</b>		
<b>DOMAIN</b>	SIMPLE STRUCTURED TECHNICAL	COMPLEX UNSTRUCTURED NON-TECHNICAL
SIMPLE STRUCTURED TECHNICAL	(known knowns)	(known unknowns)
COMPLEX UNSTRUCTURED NON-TECHNICAL	(unknown knowns)	(unknown unknowns)

(N. Taleb, 2014)



**Value Knowledge Concept**  
as  
**Fundamental Constraint**  
**to Reframe**  
**Systemic Convergence**  
**to a Goal.**



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (05)

### From Model Theory

Hartman developed a  
“formal concept of  
good”



(Robert S. Hartman, 1967)



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (06)

To the Science of Value

**"Good is  
what fulfills its  
concept"**



(Robert S. Hartman, 1967)



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (07)

# Hartman Axiological Value Definition

**"The proof of the pudding is in the eating."**



(Robert S. Hartman, 1967)



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (08)

# Value Knowledge

**Value Knowledge** lagged far behind a science such as Physics in precision and technical language.

**There are no value experts** but only samplers who go out into the woods and **gather** samples which are then classified, stuck on needles, dried, pickled and preserved in treatise on value.

**Robert S. Hartman** (1910–1973) did take **value knowledge** seriously, **formulated a basic value-axiom** and deduced **therefrom** corollaries in a scientific manner.



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (09)

# Hartman Axiological Value Definition

Formal **Axiology** is based on the logic nature of meaning, namely **intension**, and on the **structure of intension as a set of predicates**. It applies set theory to this set of predicates.

**Set Theory** is a certain kind of mathematics that deals with subsets in general, and of finite and infinite sets in particular.

Since mathematics is a multicultural shareable language and a priori, formal **Axiology** is a shareable and a priori science; and a test based on it is a shareable test, based on a **multicultural shareable standard**.

## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (10)



# Hartman Axiological Value Definition for a Generic Entity (TD Approach)

- 1 INTRINSIC VALUE (All the Properties contained in the Meaning of the Name)**
- 2 EXTRINSIC VALUE (Name with a Meaning defined by a Set of Properties)**
- 3 SYSTEMIC VALUE (Certain Name)**



## 4. Uncertainty As Resource (11)

# Hartman Axiological Value Definition

### OUTER UNIVERSE

### INNER UNIVERSE - SELF

#### INTRINSIC, "Empathy"

Other persons as unique individuals; the spiritual, irreplaceable worth of others; the value of a "thing" as it exists in itself.

#### INTRINSIC, "Self Esteem"

The self as infinitely valuable; the unique individuality of each person; the understanding of "who" one is; actual strengths and limitations.

#### EXTRINSIC, "Practical Judgment"

Material value; things; classes or groups of things; other things as they serve useful roles or have functional value; comparison of things, people or situations; concrete, functional value in general, practical concrete organization.

#### EXTRINSIC, "Role Awareness"

"What" one is; the role function one plays; the sense of using time in a useful, functional way; career thinking; satisfaction or dissatisfaction with what one is doing in the world.

#### SYSTEMIC, "Systems Judgment"

Analytical or structured thinking; structure, order or consistency in thinking; theoretical or conceptual organization and planning; valuing what "ought to be"; the rules.

#### SYSTEMIC, "Self Direction"

"Where" one is going or "ought" to be going; self direction; persistence; drive motivated from commitment to inner principles and goals; self concept; ideal self image.



# 4. Uncertainty As Resource (12)

## Systemic Neuro-Axiological Approach by EPM Logically Articulated Learning Support

**Livello 1** Triadi: un modo generale di vedere le interazioni. Quando il sig. X con il suo mondo incontra il sig. Y con il suo mondo, cosa accade? Questo livello è basato sulle scelte del SISCO-frasi.



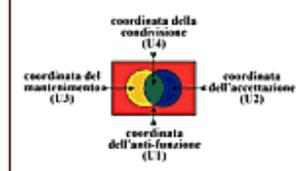
**Livello 3** Sedici Funzioni: Stili relazionali.

F0	( )	( )	F8
F1	( )	( )	F9
F2	( )	( )	F10
F3	( )	( )	F11
F4	( )	( )	F12
F5	( )	( )	F13
F6	( )	( )	F14
F7	( )	( )	F15

F0 Vuoto/Assente  
 F1 Condivisore  
 F2 L' accettante esclusivo del proprio mondo  
 F3 il mantentore del proprio mondo  
 F4 L' accettante senza condividere del mondo dell'altro  
 F5 L' accettante del mondo dell'altro  
 F6 L' accettante senza condividere del proprio mondo e del mondo dell'altro  
 F7 L' accettante del proprio mondo e del mondo dell'altro  
 F8 L' accettante soltanto di ciò che non esiste nel proprio mondo e nel mondo dell'altro  
 F9 L' accettante soltanto di ciò che esiste, o non esiste, nel proprio mondo e nel mondo dell'altro  
 F10 L' ambiguo o bastian contrario  
 F11 il mantentore completo del proprio mondo, con tendenze espansive  
 F12 Lo possiede/abbandona  
 F13 il rifiuta se soltanto di quello che esiste esclusivamente nel proprio mondo  
 F14 L' accettante totale che non può condividere  
 F15 L' accede totale

**Stato Finale F0**  
ANNULLAMENTO

**Livello 2** Quattro coordinate dell'interazione: Antifunzione, Accettazione, Mantenimento, Condivisione.



**Livello 4** 256 interazioni derivate dalle 16 Funzioni x 16 Funzioni (Tavola delle Interazioni). Base delle Frasi a forte impatto psicologico.

**Livello 5** Tre Stati Finali. Derivano dall'interazione del pattern delle funzioni con se stesso oppure con il pattern di altri soggetti.

**Stato Finale F15**  
CAOS, IMPOSSIBILITA' A SELEZIONARE

No no no no.....	F0	( )	( )	F8	Mi interessa solo ciò che non ci riguarda.
La nostra relazione è basata su ciò che condividiamo	F1	( )	( )	F9	Ciò che abbiamo in comune e ciò che ci è estraneo
Accetto solo ciò che è mio	F2	( )	( )	F10	Sono un bastian contrario
Mantengo la mia visione del mondo	F3	( )	( )	F11	Mi interessa tutto meno ciò che è solo tuo
Mi interessa solo ciò che è tuo	F4	( )	( )	F12	Ciò che mi interessa è il tuo mondo e gli elementi esterni
Entro nel tuo mondo con ciò che abbiamo in comune	F5	( )	( )	F13	Lasciatemi ciò che è esclusivamente mio
Ogni cosa dei nostri mondi è parte della nostra relazione ma non ciò che condividiamo	F6	( )	( )	F14	Mi interessa tutto meno ciò che condividiamo
La nostra relazione è basata sull'unione dei nostri mondi	F7	( )	( )	F15	Si si si si....

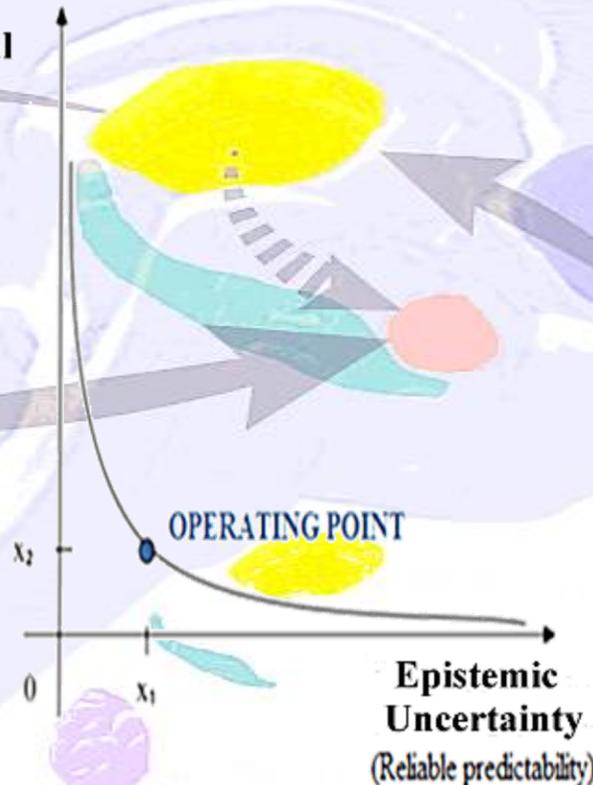
(Piero De Giacomo et al., 1982)

# 4. Uncertainty As Resource (13)

## Value Operating Point Systemic Emergence

**Value Operating Point** can emerge as a new **Trans-disciplinary Reality Level**, based on an **irreducible complementary ideal asymptotic dichotomy**: Two Complementary Irreducible Coupled Information Management Subsystems.

**Intrinsic/Natural  
Uncertainty**  
(Reliable unpredictability)



# 5. Conclusions (00)



## 5. Conclusions (04)

- Creativity Mind
- Work In Progress



## 5. Conclusions (01)

# Our More Specific Conclusion

**NO ANTICIPATION**

**NO VALUES**

**NO WELLBEING**



# 5. Conclusions (02)

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## CREATIVITY MIND

(PREVIEW)







## 5. Conclusions (04)

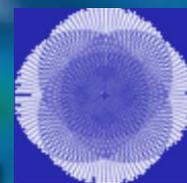
### Neutralizer Work In Progress





# No Anticipation, No Wellbeing

Thank You for



Your Attention