

**Working with complexity**  
Cynefin Framework by Dave Snowden

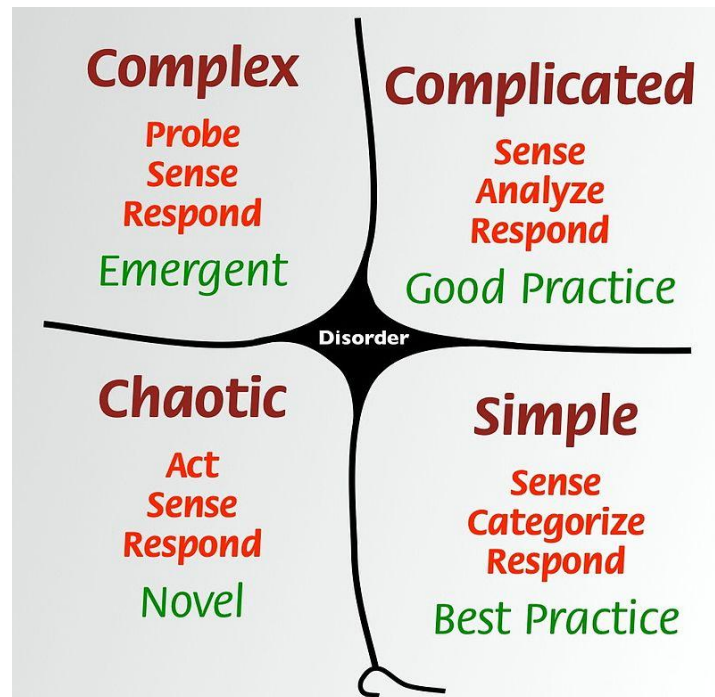


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*Alluring and enticing!*

Tags: Holistic. Whole system design.

Challenge:

Different practices and decisions are related to different domains of knowledge and situations of diverse nature. One challenge is to understand in which type of domain (reality, place, framework, etc.) we are in and how to make decisions in that type of domain.

Solution: They are 5 different domains for decision-making (complex, complicated, chaotic, simple and disorder). These domains help the people that have to make a decision to look at it from different domains, as places from which one can perceive and notice his or her perception. In terms of the complex domain we cannot say there is 'a solution'; there is only the journey of 'navigating' the complexity. Because there is no linear relationship between cause and effect, the only thing you can do is try something out (P = probe).

Links:

- Wikipedia entry : <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cynefin>
- David Snowden, originator : <http://cognitive-edge.com>
- YouTube video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N7oz366X0-8>

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