

Human Systems Dynamics Institute

Quarterly Meeting September 12, 2013

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Welcome!

- » Today's Agenda
- » What's Coming Up in HSD?
 - » Glenda Eoyang
- » Seeing Patterns; Making Choices
 - » Scott Campbell
- » What is 339?
 - » Tamara Easter





What's Coming Up in HSD? Glenda Eoyang

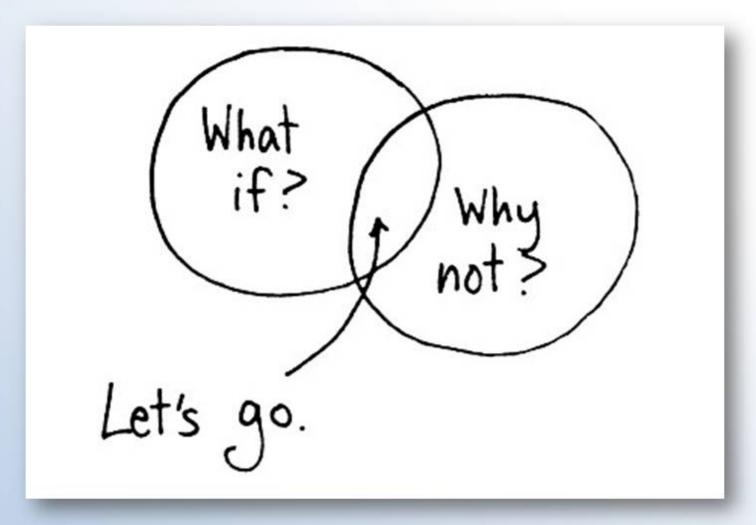
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What's Coming Up in HSD?

- » Training around the world
- » HSD Conference late September 2014
- » New e-marketing campaign
- » Mastering the Sales Process 9/20/13
 CM Perme benefits the HSD Scholarship Fund
- » Public speaking AEA, SIM, PACT, MnODN
- » Temple University Leadership for Health Professionals, 2014
- » Research:
 - » Emergent Change with international pharma company
 - » Resilience in Community with Finnish Government



What is coming up for you and your HSD practice?





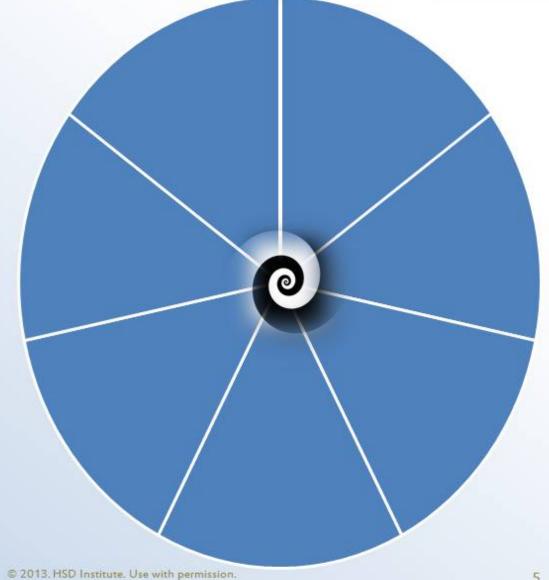
- » Goal: Prepare Associates to recreate their HSD theory and practice continually
- » Objectives:
 - » Encounter HSD principles, models, methods, and practices
 - » Apply worldview, theory of change, and inquiry stance to engage with sticky issues in the real world
 - » Extend personal and collective theory and practice to build adaptive capacity for individuals, teams, organizations, and communities

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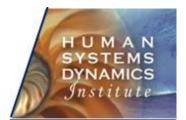
Constraints

- » Experience as well as talk about and practice pattern-forming self-organization
- » Implement the simple rules of HSD
- » Make resource commitment equivalent to current training
- » Engage Associates after they are certified
- » Be available internationally
- » Require less travel time and expense
- » Respect the patterned and emergent nature of the HSD theory and practice

» Strategies







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Cohort attends 3-day session

- Encounter basic HSD theory and practice
- Build community
- Orient to the learning experience

Patterns and Possibilities

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» Strategies

Each learner plans a unique path

- · Consider current challenge
- · Explore available resources
- Discuss opportunities with Praxis Partner
- Commit to learning plan





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» Strategies

Select and complete topical units

- · Encounter new ideas
- Apply HSD principles, models, and methods
- Extend skills and knowledge into future

Patterns and Possibilities

Praxis Plan

Learning Units





» Strategies

Five learners meet with a Praxis Partner

- Share Adaptive Action Experiments
- Give and get generative questions for the next Adaptive Action cycle

Learning Group **Patterns** Praxis Plan and **Possibilities** Learning Units



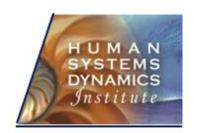
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Whole Cohort Meets

- Discuss readings
- Share experiences
- Challenge assumptions
- Hear diverse views

Learning Community Group Meetings cerns Praxis Plan and **Possibilities** Learning Units

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» Strategies

Wider HSD community

- Explores HSD applications
- Encounters new theory and practice
- Share reflections with the community

Learning Group

Patterns and Possibilities Community Meetings

Praxis Plan

Live Virtual Workshops

Learning Units



» Strategies

Learners engage in threaded conversation

- · Share questions & insights
- Give and get support
- · Build relationships

Learning Community Group Meetings **Patterns** Praxis Plan and **Possibilities** Live Virtual **Forums** Workshops Learning Units



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Logistics

- » Glenda Eoyang leads all virtual workshops and community sessions
- » Opening 3-day Patterns and Possibilities Jan 23-25, Dallas TX
- » Includes copies of Adaptive Action and Radical Rules
- » Online engagement Jan-May and July-Nov
- » 35 learners per session
- » Praxis Partner relationships
- » Total time and cost is same as HSDP
- » Registration opens Oct 1





Seeing Patterns; Making Choices Scott Campbell



Seeing Patterns,
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Recognizing
The Human
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Incorporating Individual Differences

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Incorporating The Human Systems Differences Dynamics

Mitigating
Cognitive
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Incorporating Individual Differences

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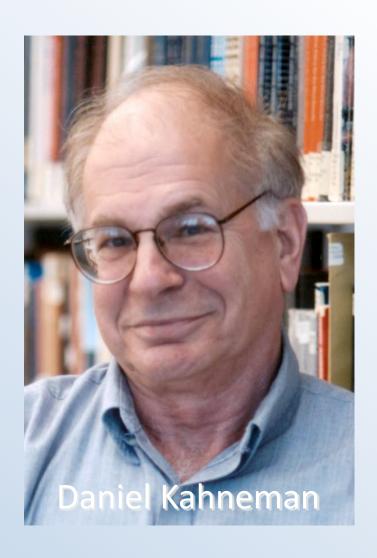
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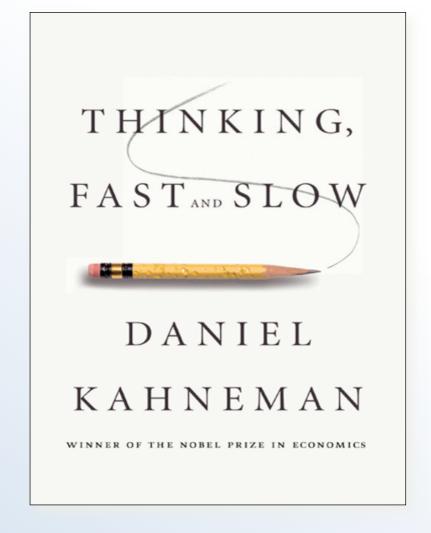
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Decision-Making
Processes
& Tools

Mitigating
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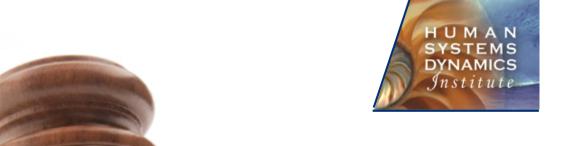
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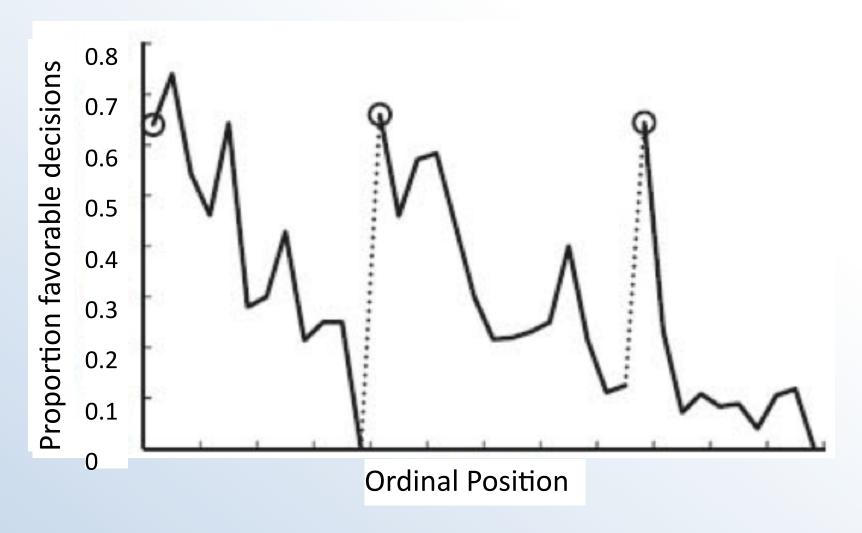
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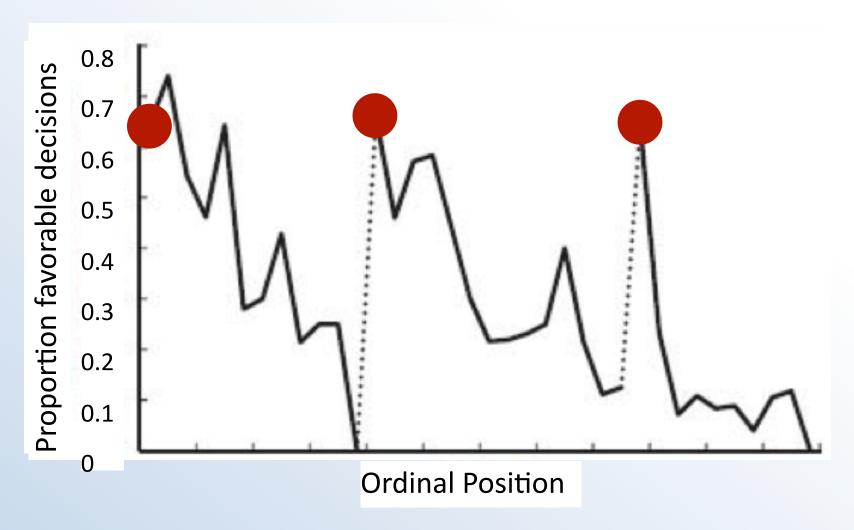














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Cognitive Bias

A pattern of deviation in perception & judgment



You can't see it when it's happening.



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We don't think they happen to us.



How might cognitive biases impair our ability to see patterns and system dynamics?









How would you summarize that message in 3 words?





Elderly support President.





Sample size insufficient.



Insensitivity-to-Small-Numbers Bias



Write your answer down such that you are 90% confident the correct answer lies within that range.



I am 90% confident that the number of days of an African elephant's gestation period is between ____ and ____.



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I am 90% confident that the number of days of an African elephant's gestation period is between ____ and ____.

Correct Answer:

645 days



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I am 90% confident that the weight of an empty Boeing 767 airplane period is between and .



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Correct Answer:

390,000 lbs.

177,000 kg.



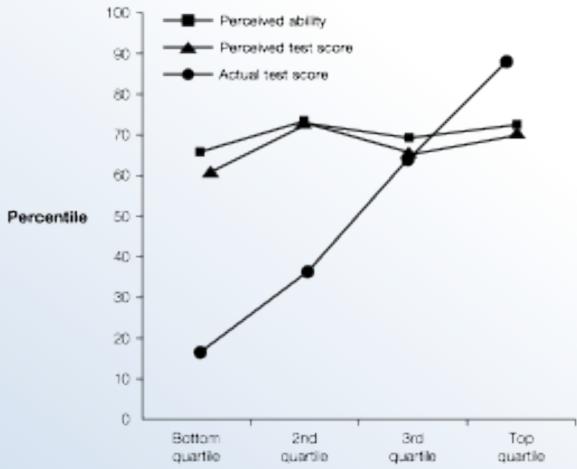


Overconfidence Bias

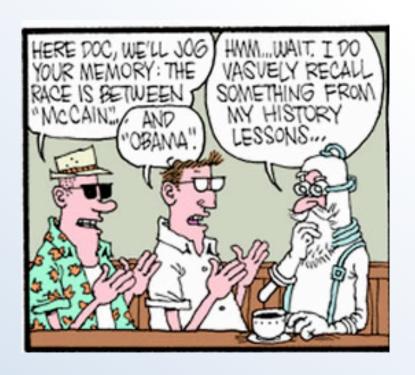
Overconfidence causes people to overestimate their knowledge, underestimate risks, and exaggerate their ability to control events



The least competent are often the most confident



Source: Justin Kruger and David Dunning, "Unskilled and Unaware of It: How Difficulties in Recognizing One's Own Incompetence Lead to Inflated Self-Assessments." Journal of Personality and Social Psychology 77, no. 6 (1998): 1121–1134.

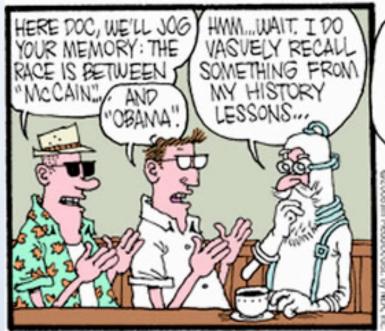












THE 2008 ELECTION WAS AN HISTORIC ELECTION FOR THE U.S., THE WINNING CANDIDATE WAS A SENATOR, BUT ALSO CONSIDERED AN OUTSIDER ... AND A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR CHANGE ...







Confirmation Bias

A tendency to seek out and assign more weight to evidence that confirms their ideas, beliefs, assumptions, and hypotheses, and ignore or under-weigh evidence that could disconfirm these.



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- 3. Seek disconfirming evidence.



Thanks!





What is 339? Tamara Easter



What is 339?

A data collection method from the HSD Institute Cohort 28

You need:

- A lo-fi video recorder, typically a cell phone
- 3 participants x 3 minutes each



You get: 9 minutes of data



Why Use 339?

We are dealing with a highly complex world that is competitive, turbulent, and global.

- No solution is sustainable
- We need adaptive methods to keep pace
- Has the potential to build learning organizations
- Innovation starts with people.
 Ask questions, and often.





Why Video?



- Captures emotion and non-verbal communication
- Less likely to be misinterpreted
- Provides a discussion piece for evaluators



Applications

339 complements Adaptive Action



- Feedback: employees, stakeholders, customers
- Evaluation: trainings, programs, processes
- Identify patterns: multiple scales
- Can ask the: What? So What? And Now What?
- Potential to build transparency and trust
- Develop organizational learning
- What worked—solution to dilemmas: Share solutions within an organization to enhance learning across organizational boundaries
- Identify pitfalls and stumbling blocks in processes, teams, etc.



Benefits/Drawbacks

BENEFITS

- Iterative
- Fast and inexpensive
- Reveals patterns in organization on multiple scales
- Gains rapport
- Promotes transparency
- Portable
- Easy to access and share with others post to the web; use in meetings to capture important points, understandings, commitments for stakeholders who are absent

DRAWBACKS

- Small sample
- Might be intimidating to interviewee
- May limit what interviewee is willing to share



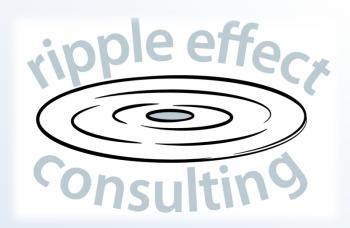
Summary

- 339 is a data collection method
- We need fast, iterative methods to deal with a highly complex world
- Has the potential to build learning organizations and utilize its people, a key resource for innovation



Questions?

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» Books

- » Facilitating Organization Change (Olson & Eoyang)
- » Coping with Chaos (Eoyang)
- » Seeing and Infuencing Patterns (Holladay & Quade)
- » Radical Rules for Schools (Patterson, Holladay, Eoyang)
- » Adaptive Action (Eoyang & Holladay)

» Web

- » Wiki.hsdinstitute.org
- » www.hsdinstitute.org
- » Hsdcommunity.ning.com
- » #hsd
- » @glendaeoyang @rjholladay



More Opportunities!

Training:

- Webinars
- Certification Training
 - London 2013
 - Blended HSDP 2014
 - Custom Training
 - Certification
 - Short Courses
 - Wicked Issue Workshops
- Open Classes
 - Tasters
 - Agent Training



Upcoming Webinars

26 Sep 11:00 - 12:00 CDT	Working Together: Setting Conditions for Collaborative Action
10 Oct	Accountability:
11:00 a - 12:00 n CDT	Deliver Unexpected Value
24 Oct 11:00 a - 1:00 p CST	Moving Forward in Complexity: Strategy for the 21 st Century
14 Nov	Resilience:
11:00 a - 12:00 n CST	Adapt, Redesign, Implement
5 Dec	HSD Associates and Friends:
11:00 a - 12:00 n CDT	Annual Virtual Open House

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Thanks!

- » To our presenters for sharing their insights and learning from their own journeys.
 - » Scott Campbell
 - » Tamara Easter
- » To Mary Nations for continued technical and personal support in our shared, ongoing journey
- » To our Board members for their continued interest and contributions



And to you...

Please accept our
heartfelt thanks for the ways you
each contribute to the
HSD Network,
the HSD Institute, and
the field of Human Systems Dynamics.

Stay in touch!