



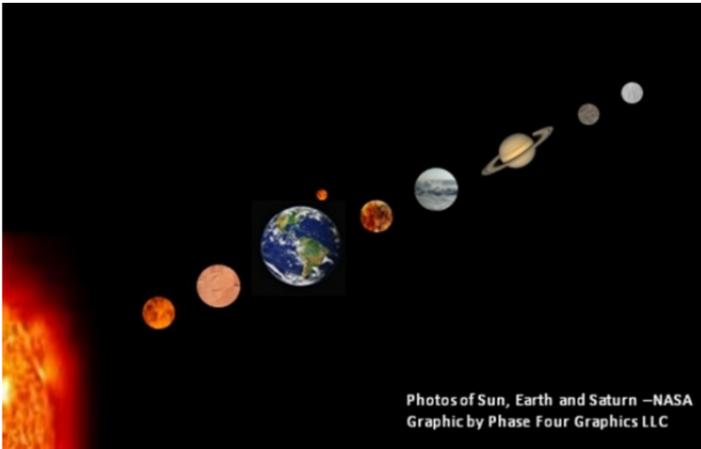
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Systems

Everything is a component of some system. Each component has synergistic cause and effect relationships to the larger systems it belongs to, within the system itself, and the smaller ones it comprises. The issue is what type of effect our actions have on respective systems.

While our solar system is part of a galaxy, it may be one part of an infinite number of parallel universes within our universe. In this arena of magnitude, our human actions and those of other life forms are insignificant.

As Earth takes the bumpy, convoluted orbit around our sun, life is profoundly dependent on sun activities and variations in the mean temperature. At this level, the human connection to mother earth, or the continuance of human life, is insignificant.



When approaching the planet earth level, for all human purposes, systems dependency significantly changes. All-natural and human systems become integrated, but relationships are not all synergistic. The Earth does not need humans for its survival,

but humans, living creatures, and plants depend on each other and the natural systems.

Contrary to human's high self-opinion, we are subordinate to but profoundly affect all living systems, and our stewardship determines how significant human activity will be on the eco-systems.

The destruction of life support resources may lead to our demise. The Earth survives if humans go extinct. Other life forms will develop and go extinct in a continuing process until our sun expands billions of years from now, consuming the inter-planets, including Earth. The sun will then collapse into a white dwarf with our final physical destination, a speck in a vast universe waiting for its regeneration in a different form.

All of our influence is in the present.



The natural systems and human systems follow the laws of physics, and no amount of dishonesty, parsing, or bias of opinion will change reality. However, humans must respect mother earth or pay the consequences.

Here we constantly find ourselves playing the prisoner's dilemma. China, Mexico, and the American consumer benefited from selling out the environment for self-advancement, punishing the American production system by applying a different

and higher standard.

Analysts learn to find the root causes of problems and take corrective action. Systems design must consider all options: analyze cause and effect, define the solutions, and understand all contingencies.

Systems thinking demands applying the scientific method, due diligence, and the recognition of dependencies. Actions will bring consequences, which may be immediate or delayed, significant or insignificant.

The state of the world's environment is uncertain, based on global industrial activity, energy production, infrastructure, and personal consumption.

Influential voices preach the destruction of America's industrial system as the only way to save the Earth – a false conclusion. When evaluating pollution globally, China will be the source of excessive greenhouse gasses, not the United States.

The solution is to build an environmentally integrated American factory system using green facilities and eco-friendly resource management systems such as ERP and Value Management Programs (VMP). Then, every business enterprise can make a positive statement by installing successful systems. We dedicate ourselves to this mission.



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