

#Nextcity

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A sneak peek on change - inside the systemworld

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*change
is good*

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Embrace CHANGE. *Love*

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THE MODERNIST
**DO N'T
MAKE
HIS
TORY**
MAKE THE FUTURE



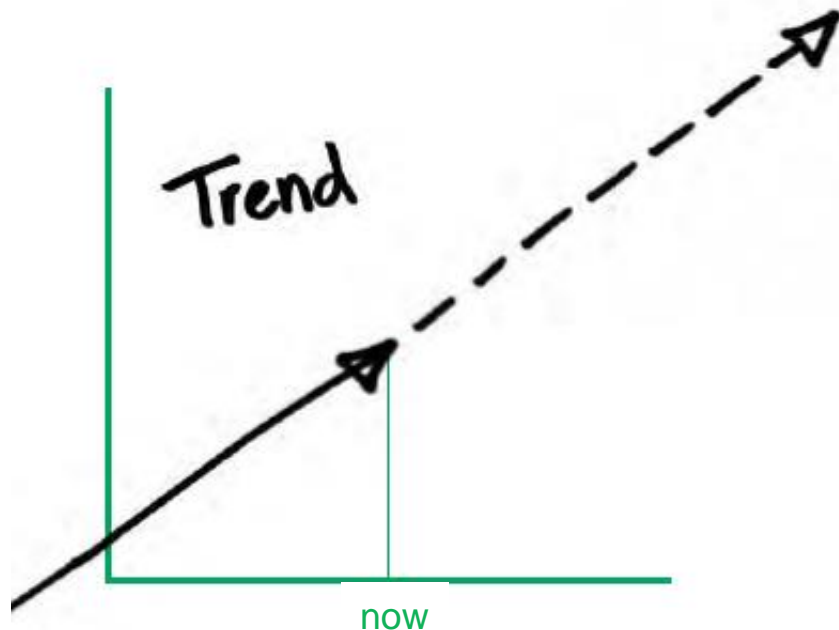
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TO STAY THE SAME



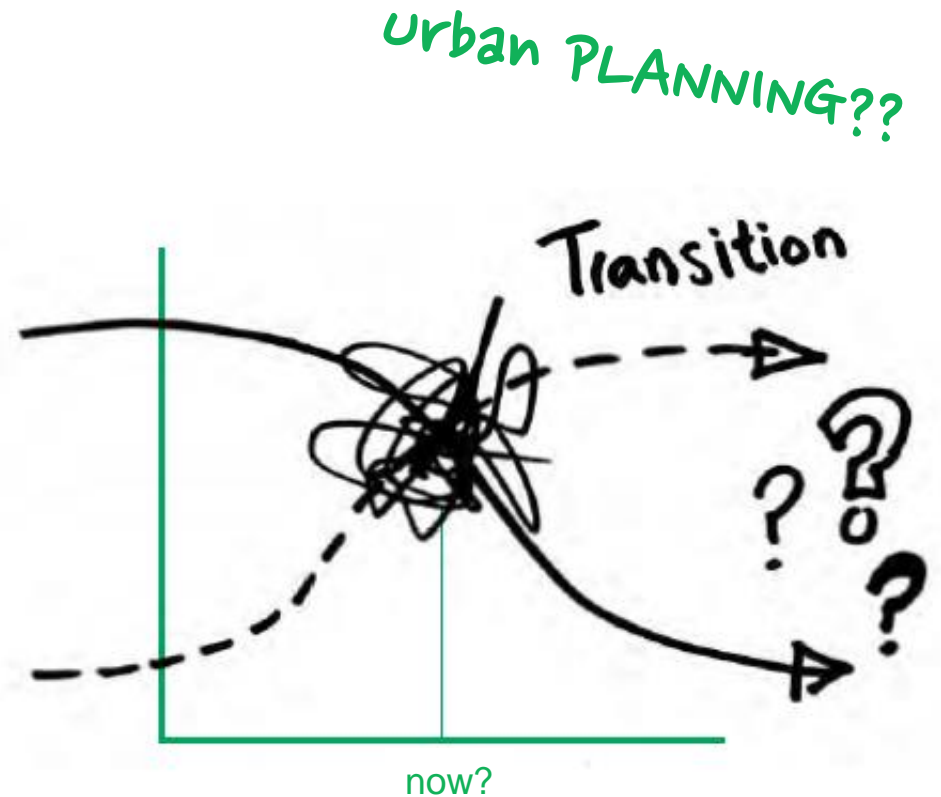
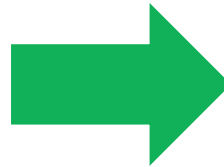
**CHANGE
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When the rear-view-mirror fails

- Trends are predictable, transitions are uncertain
- Looking backwards doesn't work anymore....

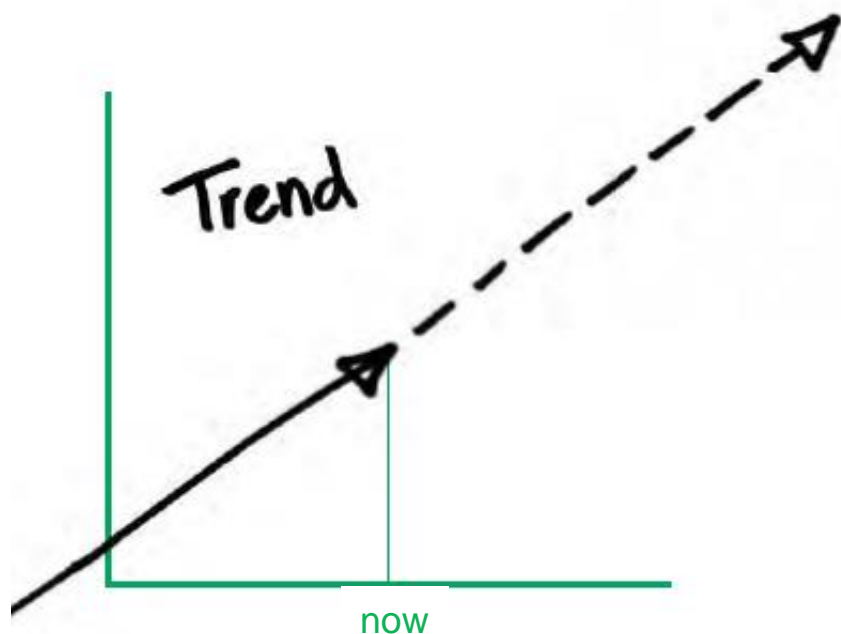


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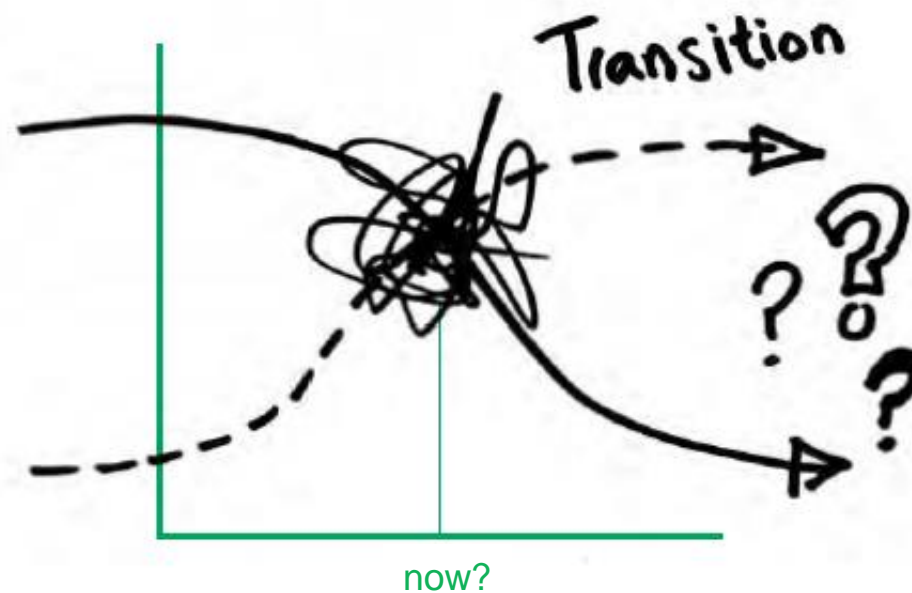
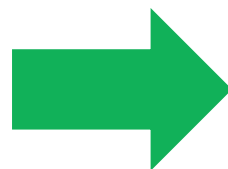


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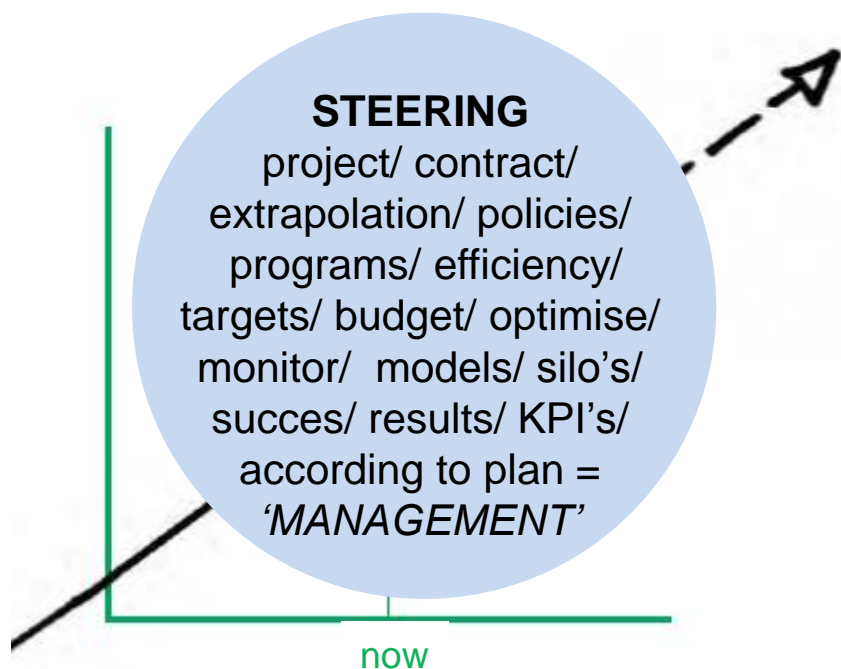


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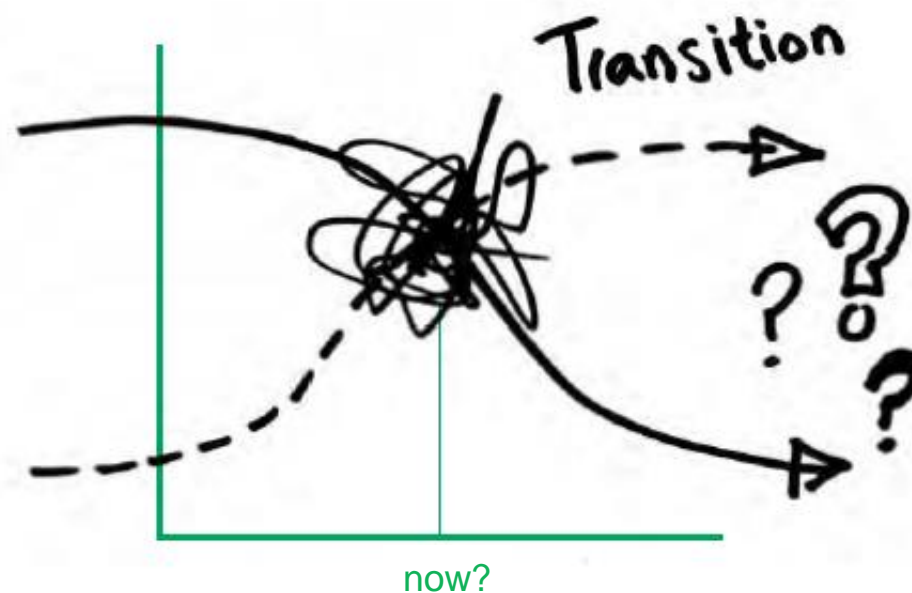


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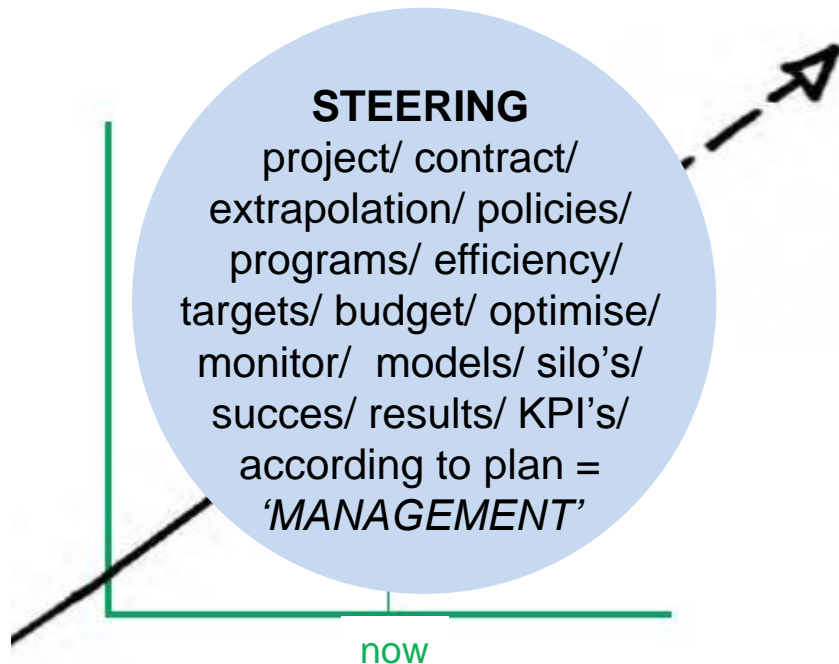


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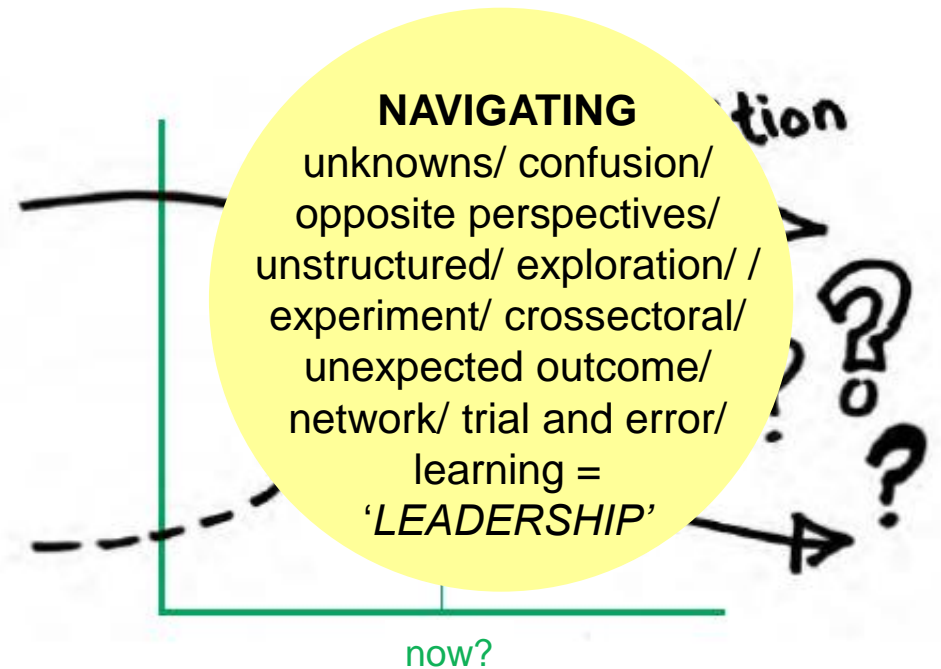
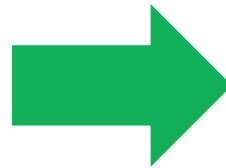


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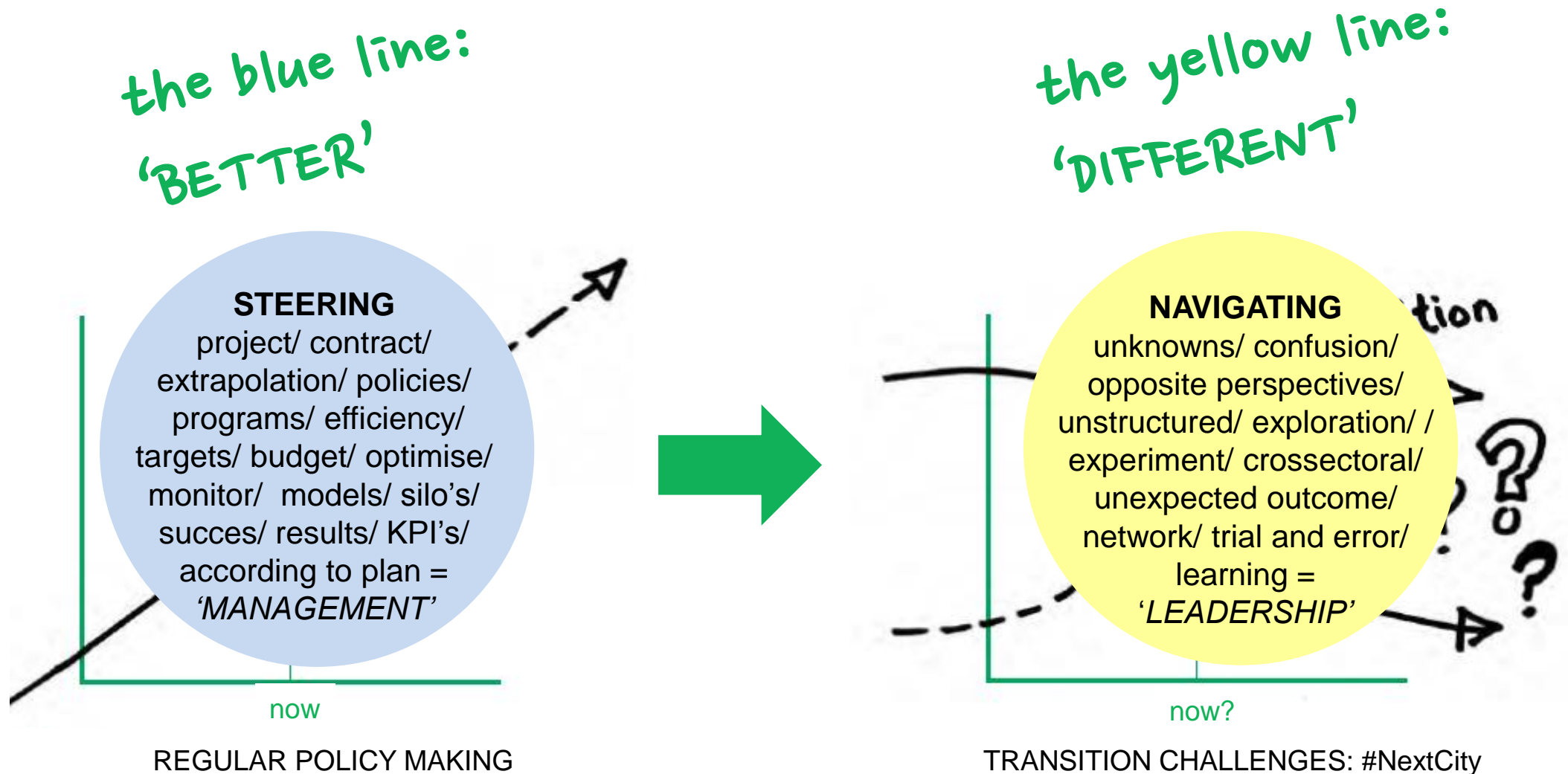


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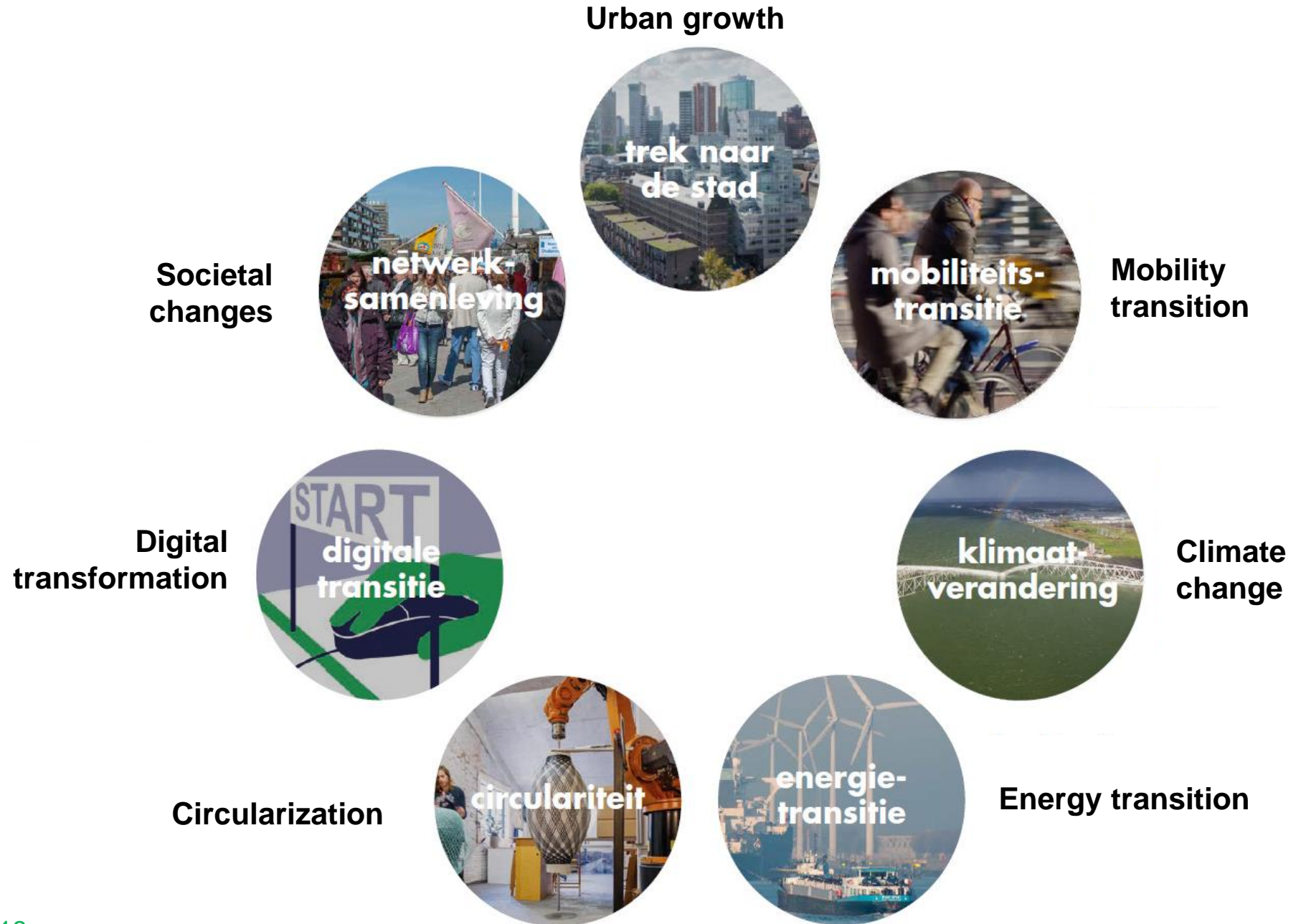


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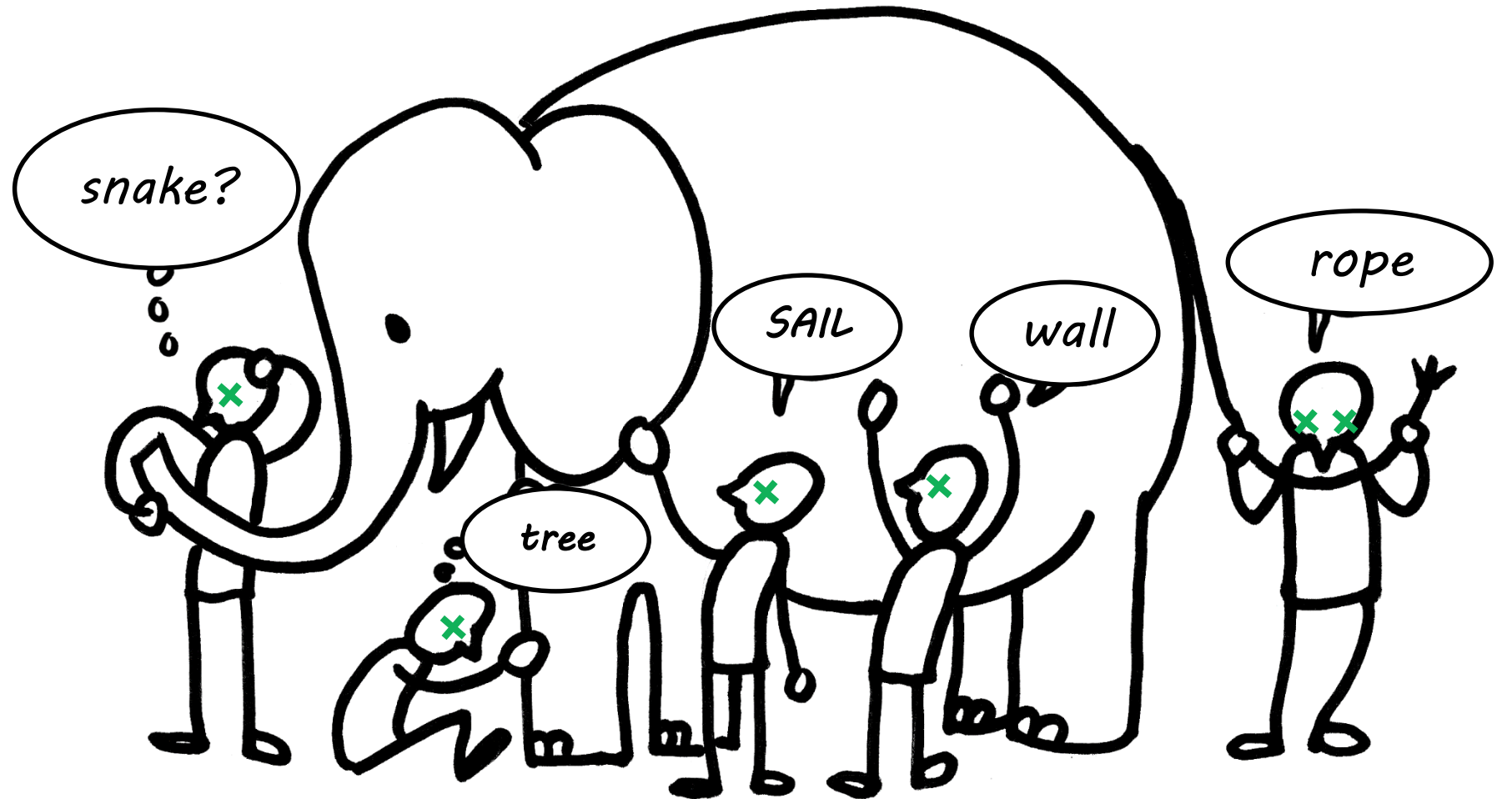
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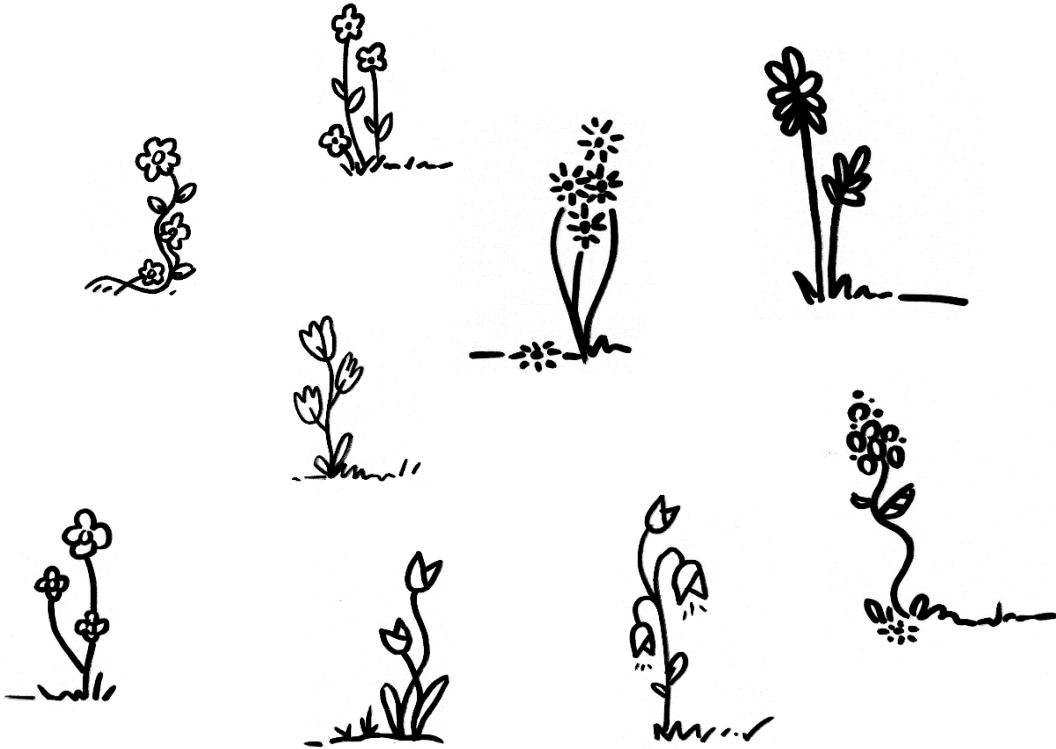
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Transitions are...an elephant?

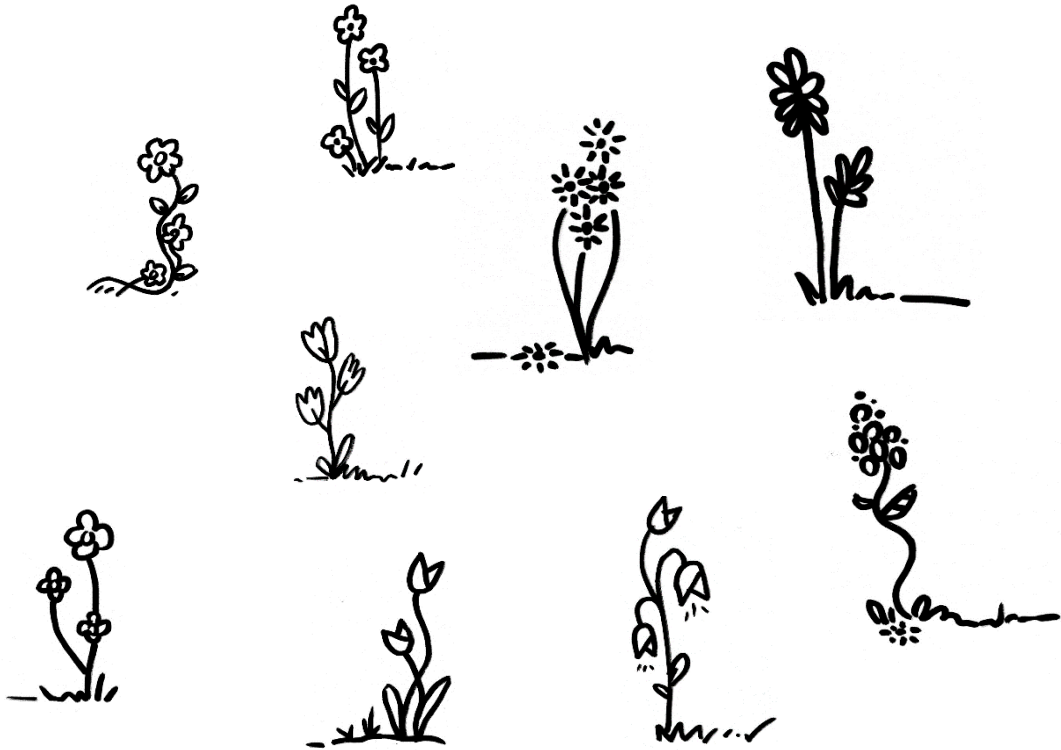


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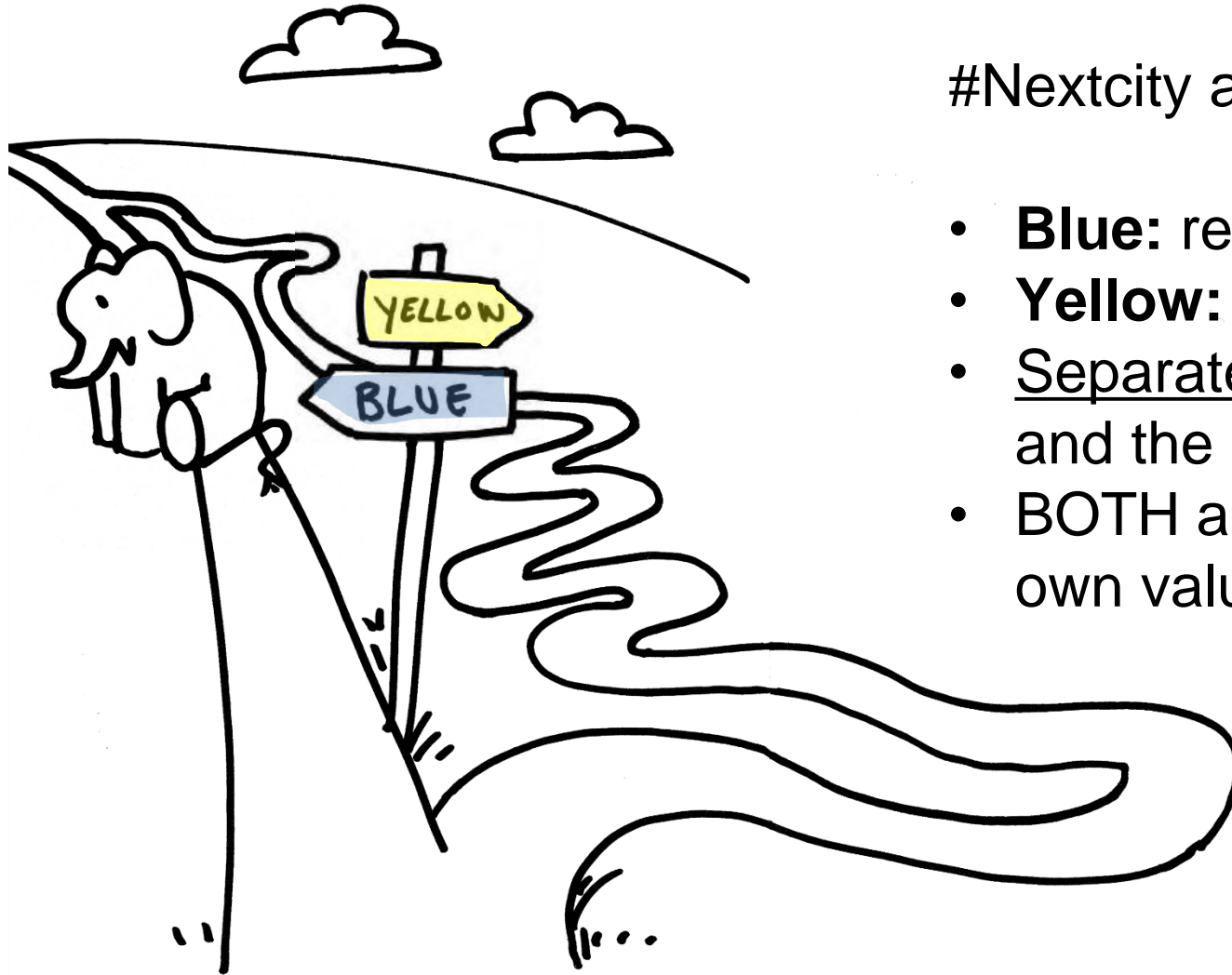
...or structural learning?

*'The future belongs to those
who learn fastest'*

#Nextcity: a learning-approach
on HOW to deal with transition
challenges



From undertow to mainstream



#Nextcity approach on transitions:

- **Blue:** regular policy and planning process
- **Yellow:** innovation trail (not a department!)
- Separate, but interconnected at the start and the end
- BOTH are most necessary and have their own value



Ambition: more biking

start

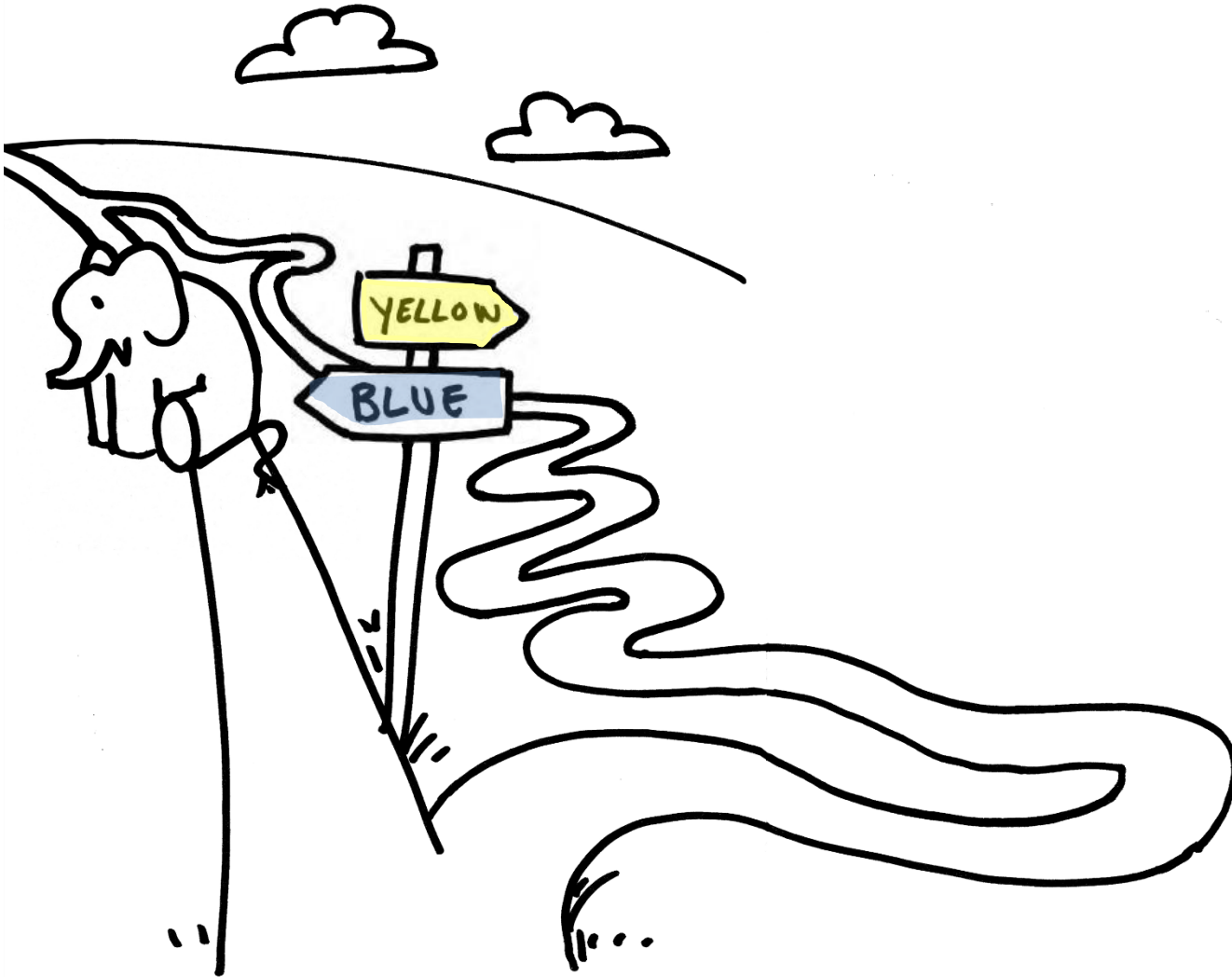


experiment

change

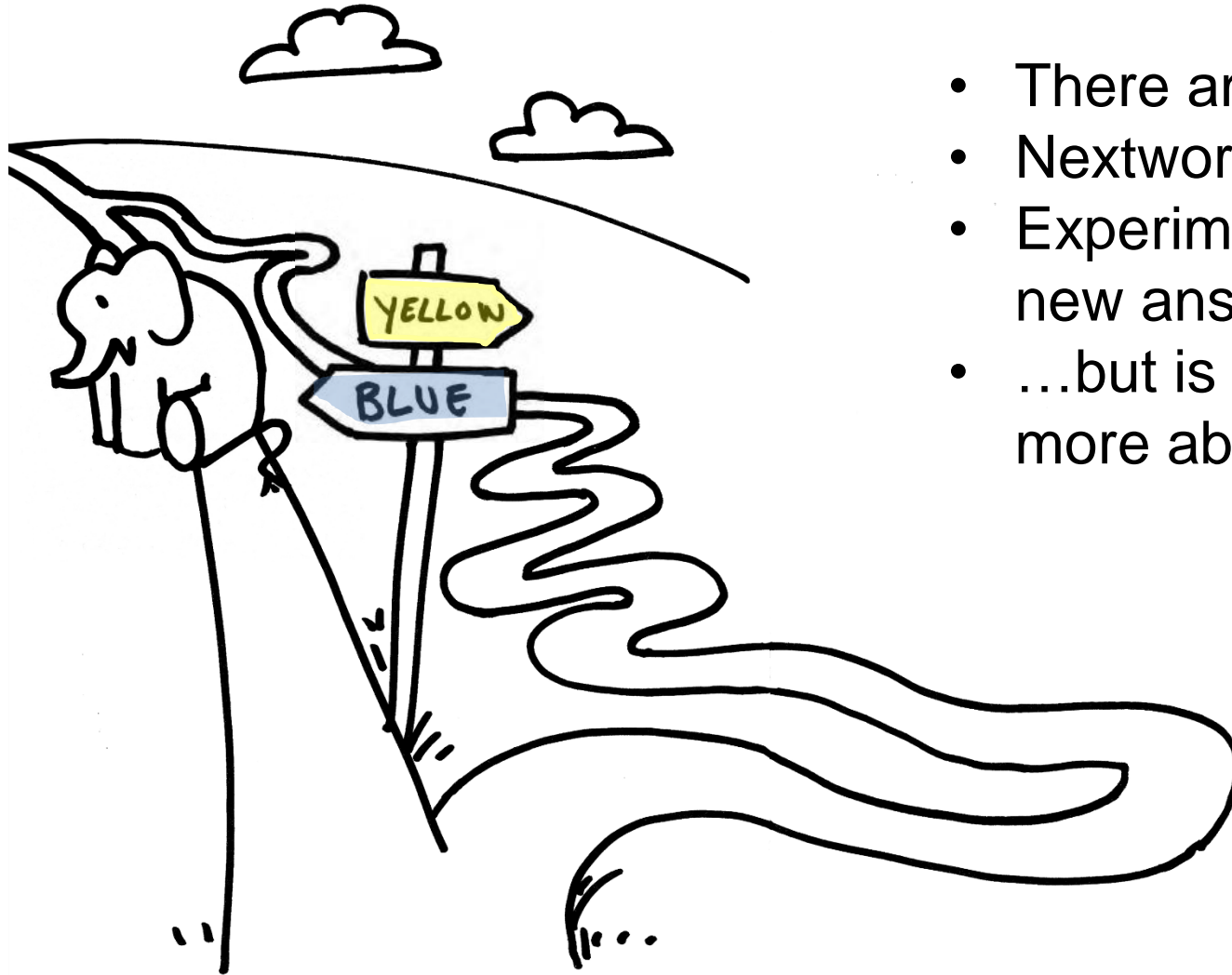


What did we learn so far?



See Lunchbox sessions!

What did we learn so far?



- There are no 'silver bullets'...
- Nextworking = Networking, collaboration
- Experimenting is a promising way to find new answers...
- ...but is an even better way to learn more about the questions

Patterns of failure

Strange...





3 universal challenges

in the spatial domain

distribution challenges



OR



OR



?

“The right use of space in time and place”

distribution challenges

- Policy makers, politicians
- Changing viewpoints; negotiating between interests
- private or public issue?

equity, bla bla, level playing
field, blablabla, fairness,
equality, bla bla, access to ...,
blabla, solidarity, freedom of
choice, bla bla, affordability



distribution challenges



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Energy



system challenges



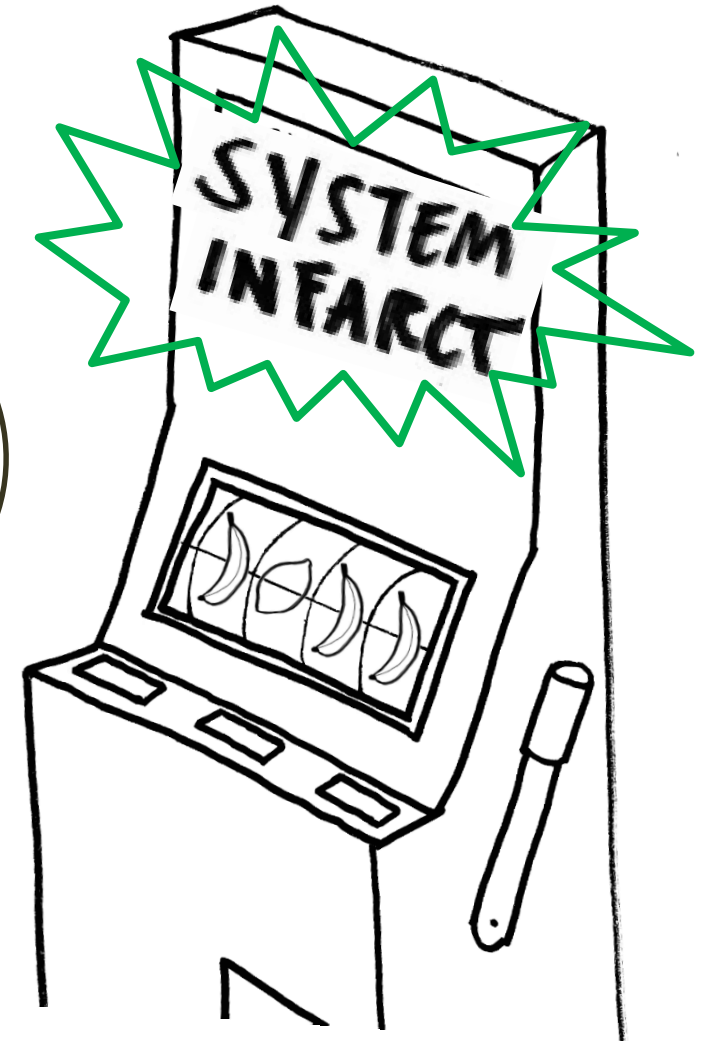
“keep systems running, manage peaks”

system challenges

- Engineers, technicians
- Systems are the backbone of cities
- Hard to change, slow, rigid
- Expensive to make and maintain

reliability, bla bla,
EFFICIENCY, bla bla bla
optimise, bla bla, procedures,
safety predictability, bla bla
bla standardization

And what
does the
MODEL say?



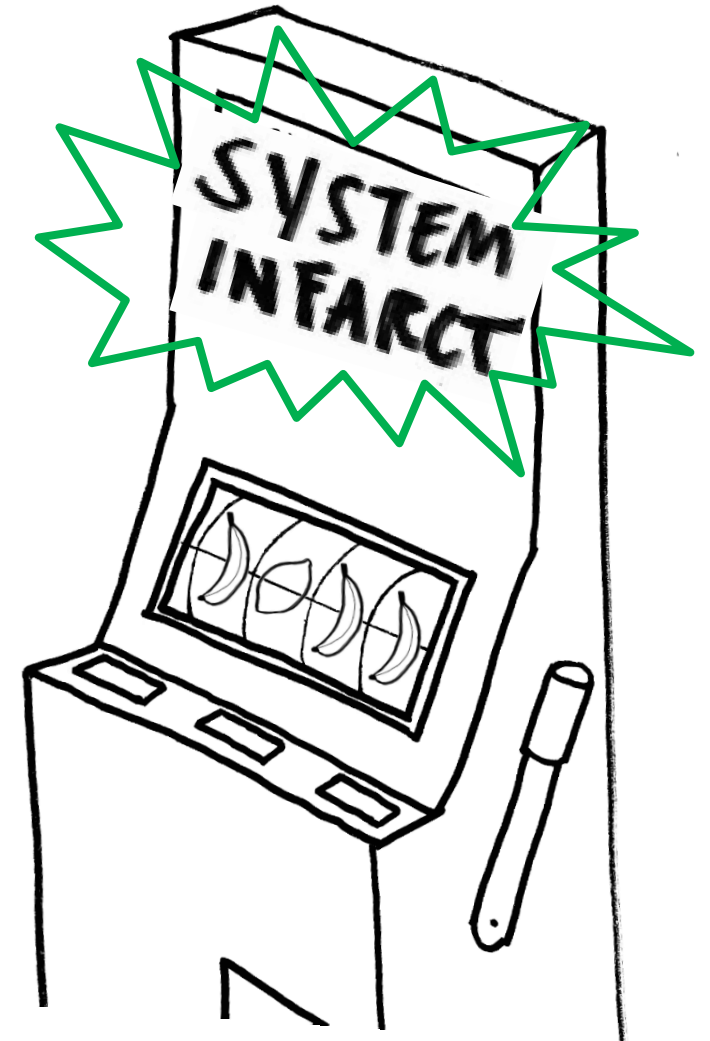
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SYSTEM



Mobility



integration challenges



“make it all fit in the available space”

integration challenges

- Designers, architects, developers
- Most space-claims of transitions finally end up here
- Little space...

user quality...bla bla
bla, spatial quality,
blablabla, functionality,
bla bla bla, robustness



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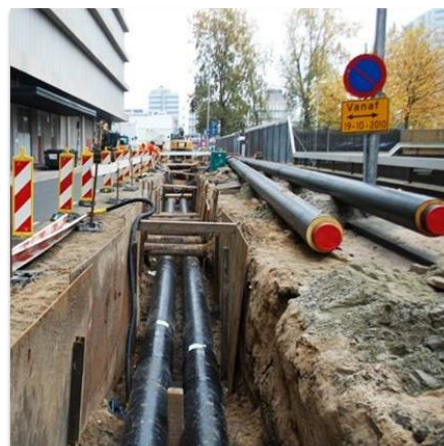
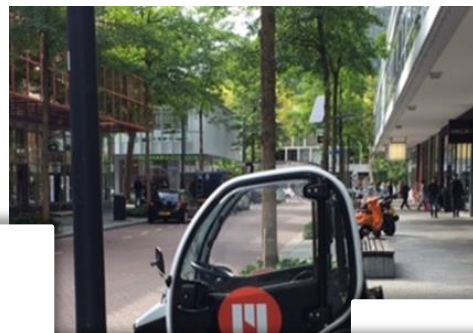
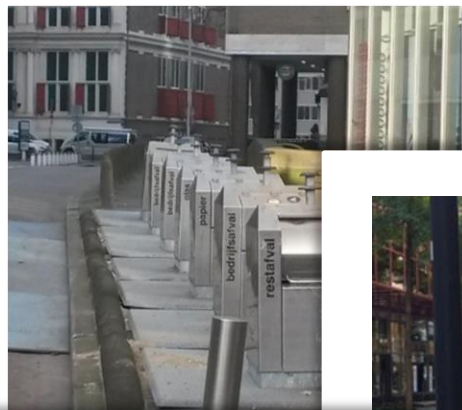
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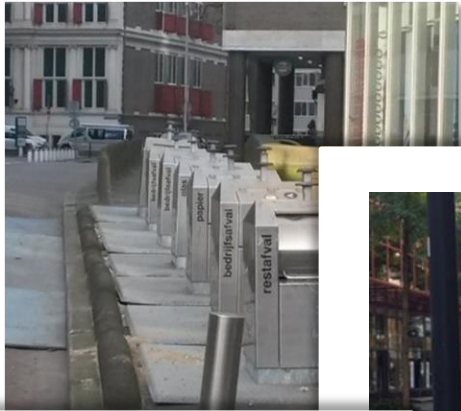
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Mission impossible



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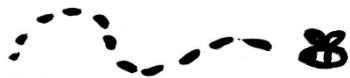
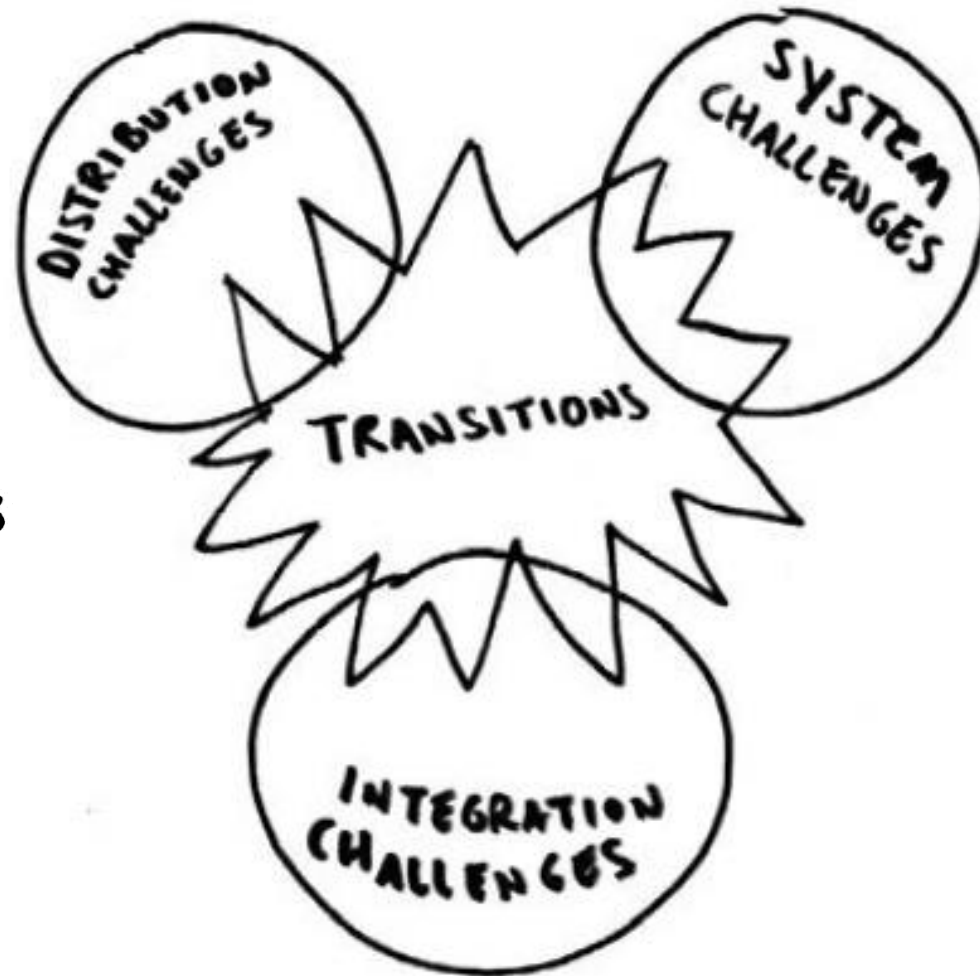
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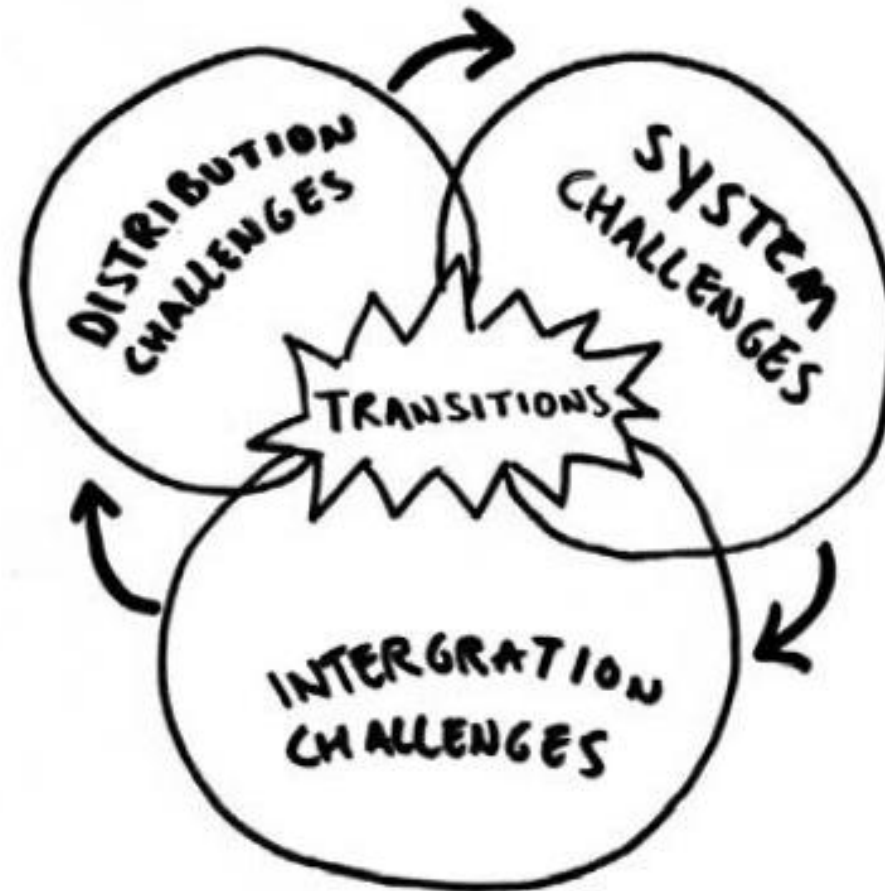
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Transitions affect these challenges...



...and these challenges affect each other



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TRANSITIONS


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TRANSITIONS

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DISTRIBUTIONS SYSTEM INTEGRATION

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+  = FIGHT FOR STREET SPACE





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= FIRST COME...

How can the #nextcity-lens help?



- Reframing the question
- Identifying blind spots, new issues
- Enlarging the range of solutions
- Learning faster: putting the right issue on the right table
- offering language to articulate all of the above



climate adaptation

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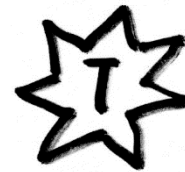
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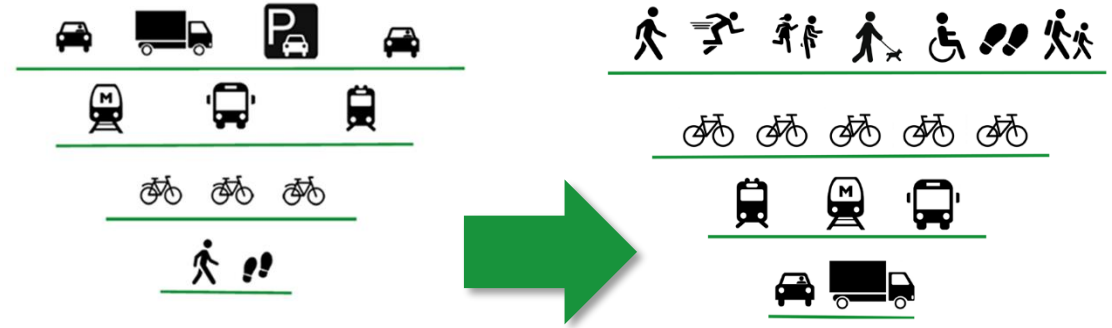
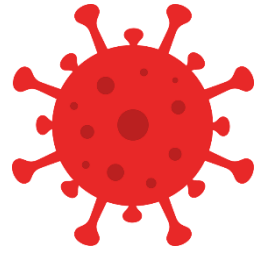


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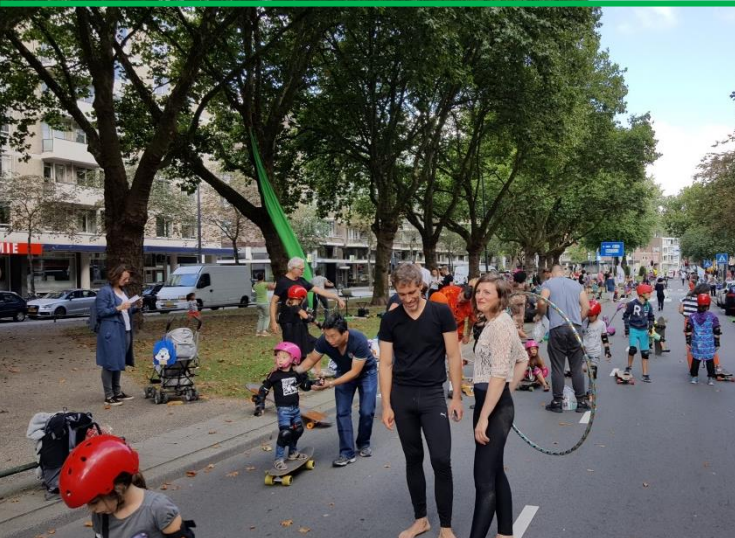


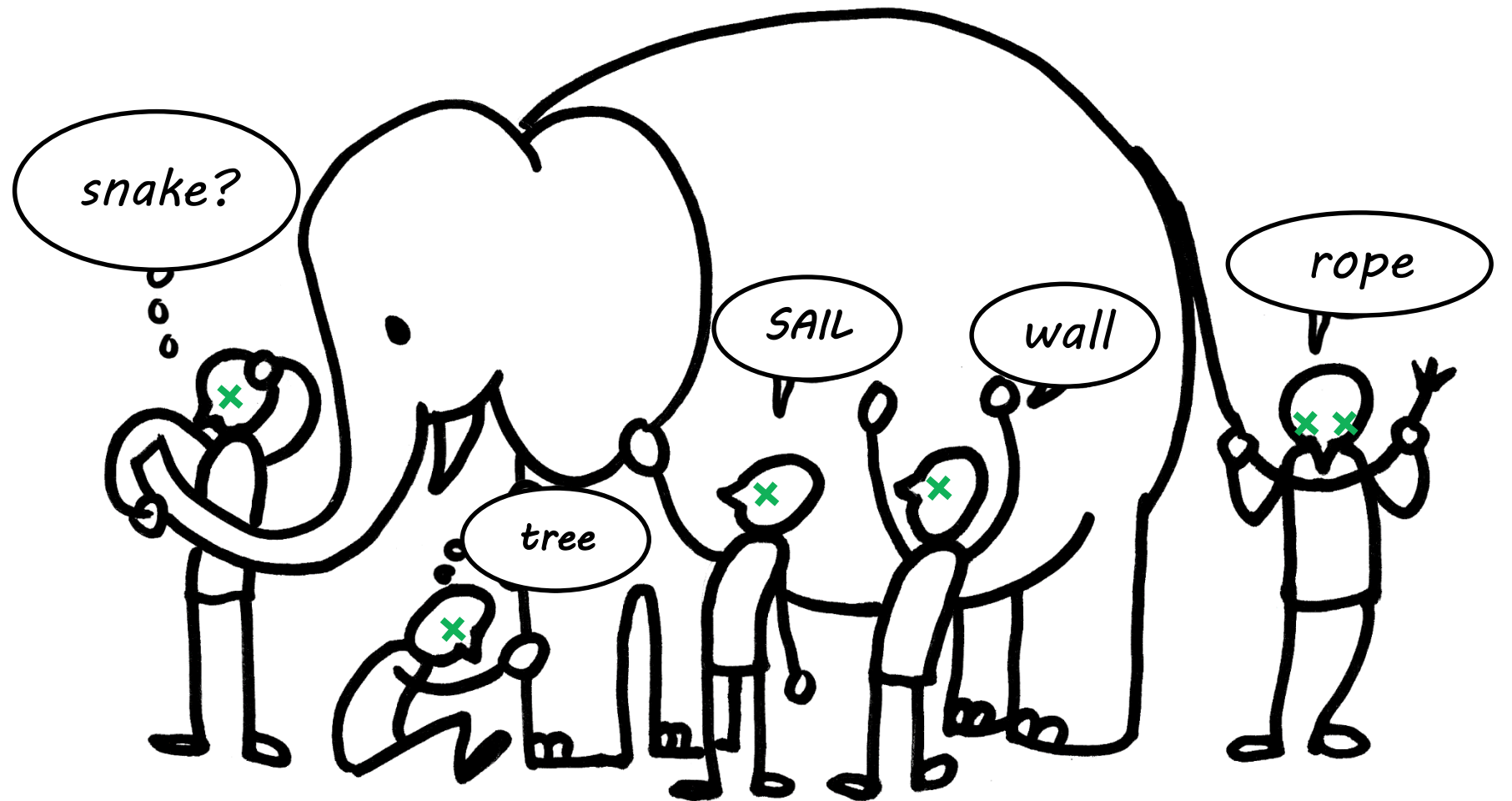
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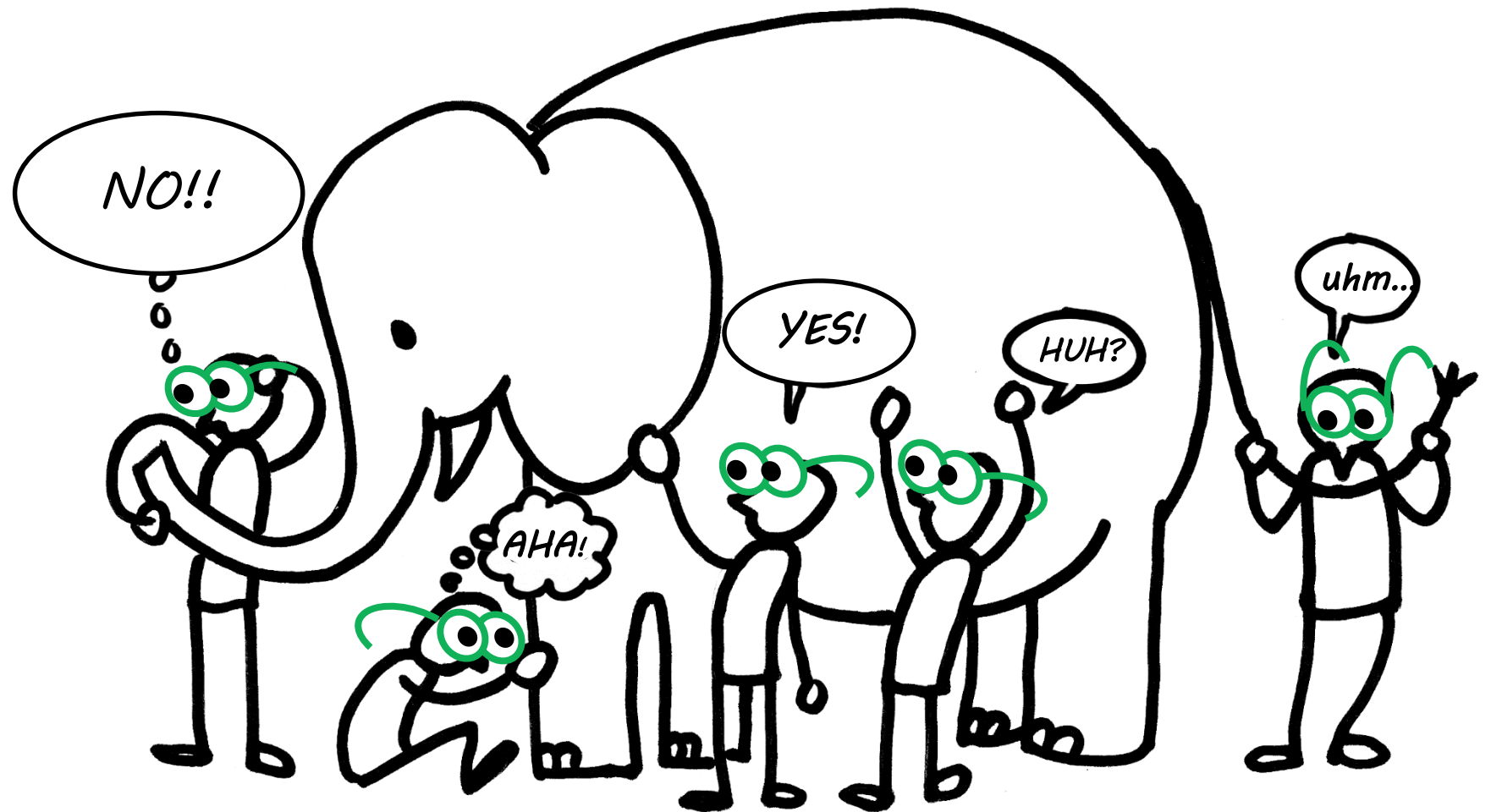
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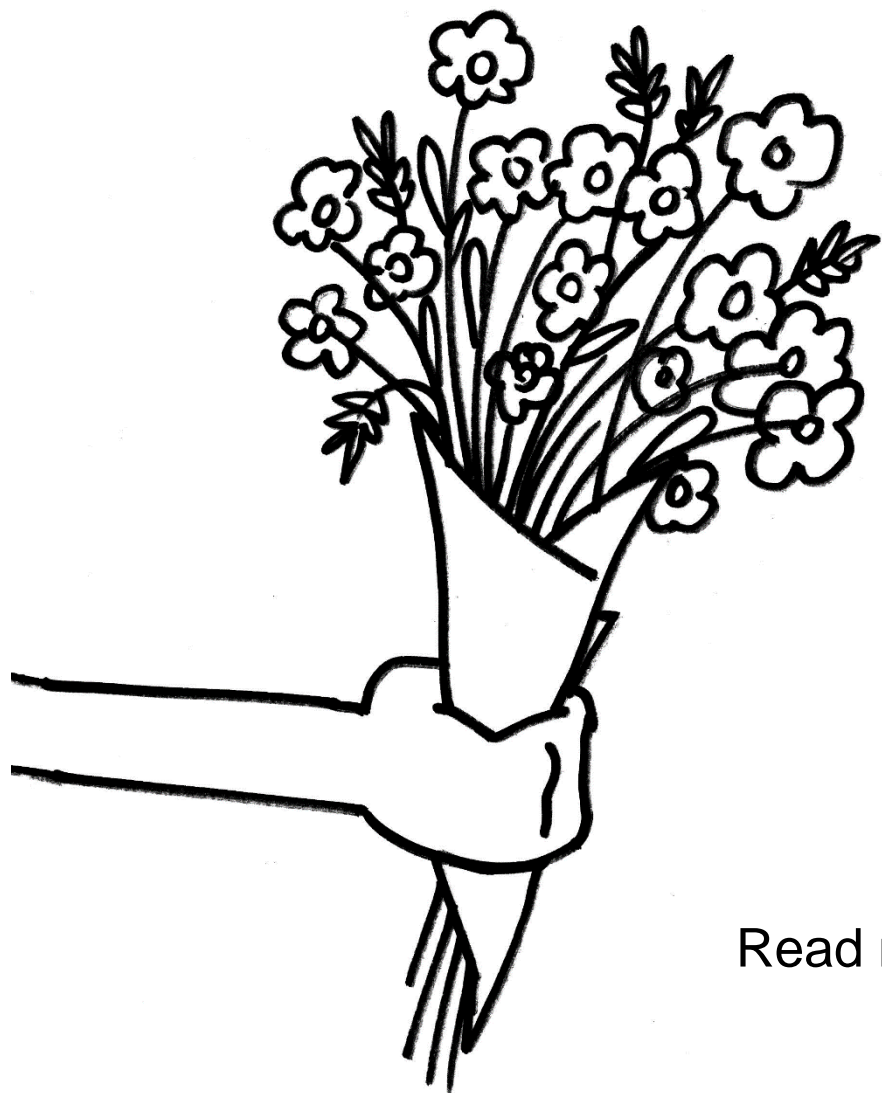
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Session 2A!



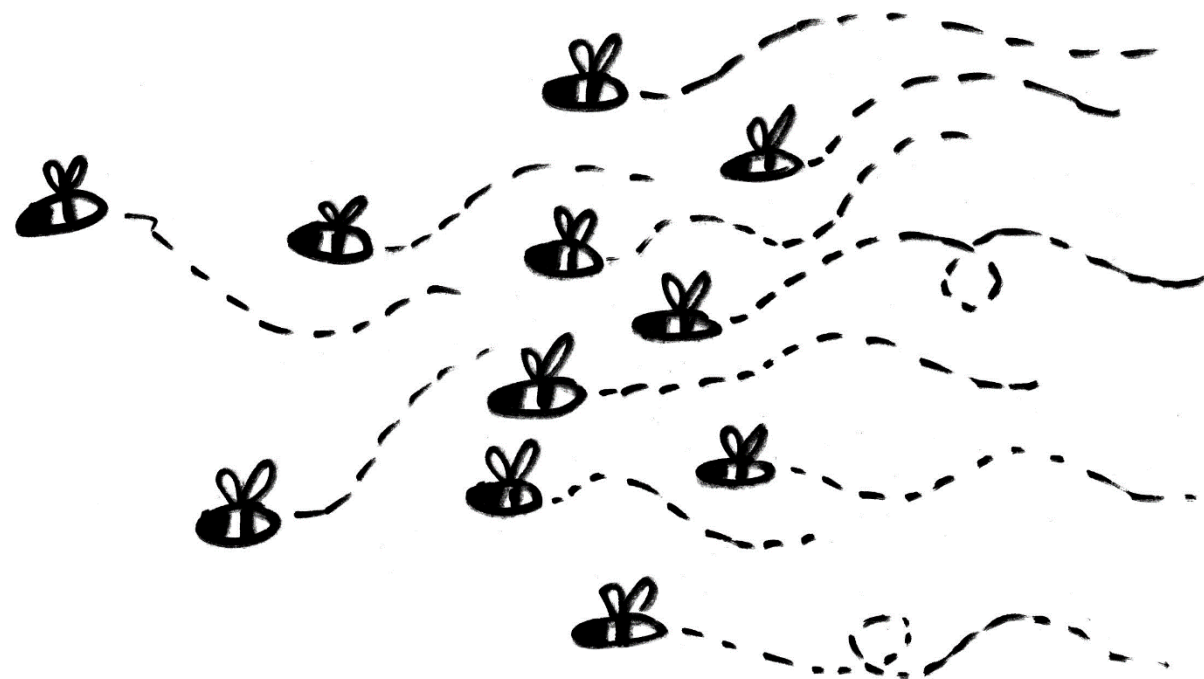




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