

Realist approach toegepast bij Mentality: Dementia Friendly Society

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Research overall question (Mentality):

What kind of (DF initiatives) work, for whom, in what circumstances, in what respect, to what extent, why and how are these related (Pawson, et al; 2005)

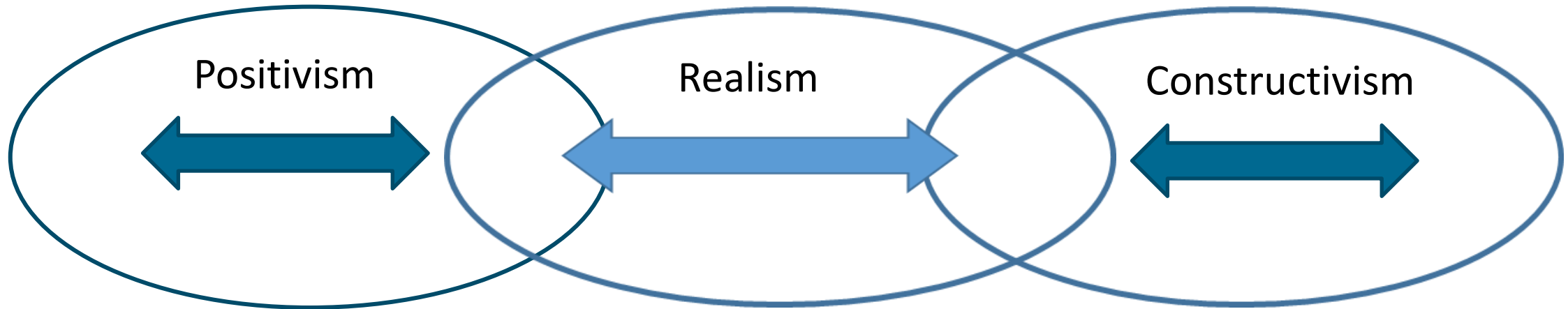


Realist methodology



Bron afbeeldingen: <https://www.trustedreviews.com/news/deal-firebox-black-box-get-155-of-mystery-gifts-for-just-75-2943259>

Paradigms: different ways to look at what is 'real'.



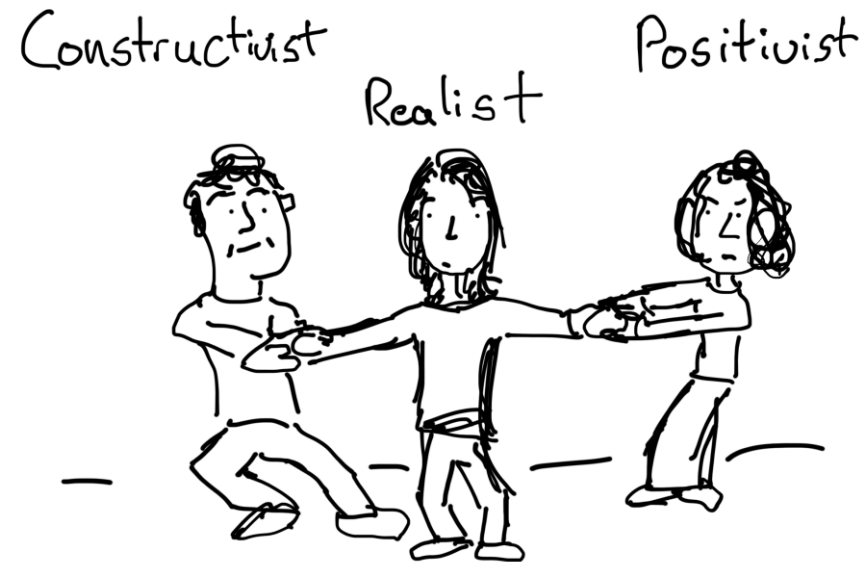
“The world ('reality') is what we see and measure”

“Your world ('reality') is a part of the whole world”

“Your world ('reality') is what you construct it to be”

Inspired by: Sayer, A (2000). Realism and Social Science, Sage: London

Introduction



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Understanding ontological depth realism

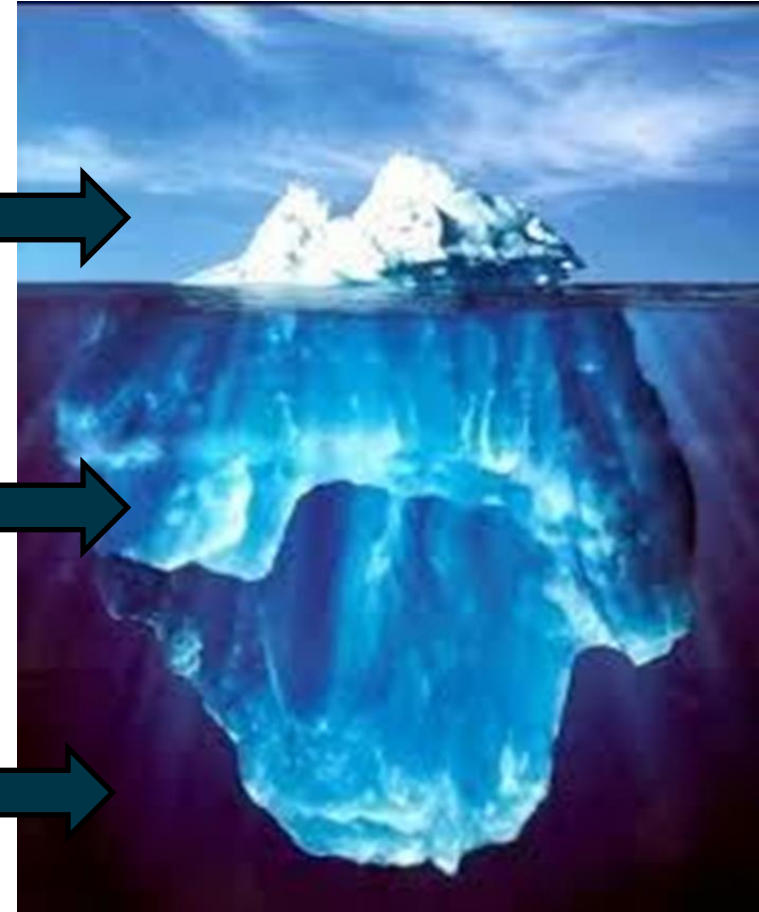
That which is clearly evident and relatively easy(ier) to make an assessment about:



That which is less evident and relatively difficult to measure and make an assessment about:



That which is latent (existing in a dormant form; not yet manifest) (until the right context triggers them)



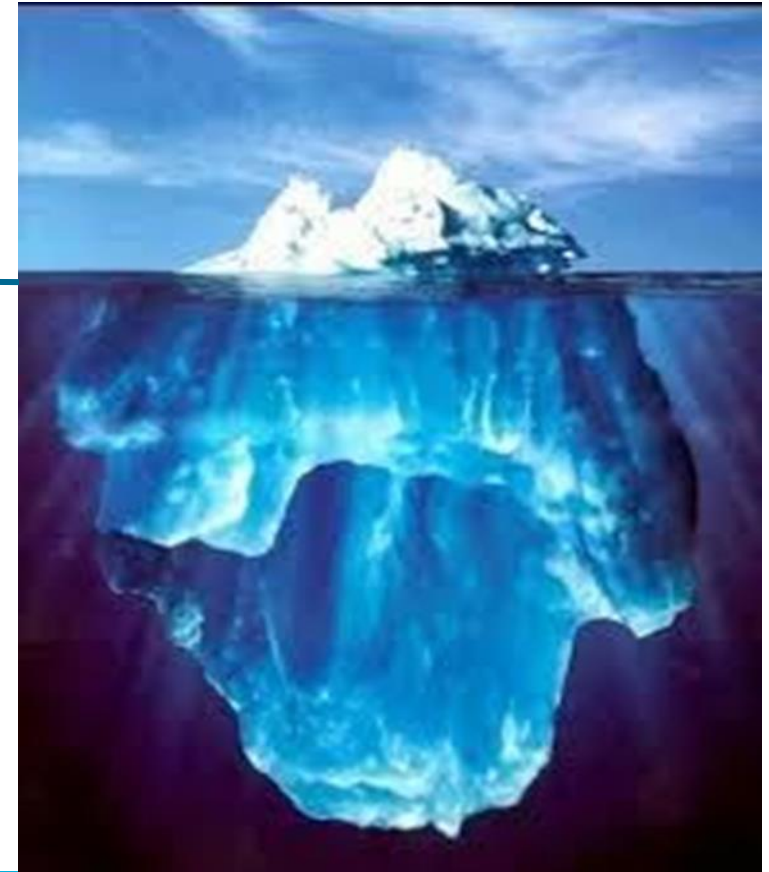
Realist Causation: Context-Mechanisms-Outcome configuration

Context

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Outcome

Mechanism (= resources + reasoning)



Basic components of a realist causal explanation

Pawson R, & Tilley N. 1997 [2003]. *Realistic Evaluation*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Key Principles from Realist Evaluation & Synthesis:

- Addresses the questions: “what works, for whom, under what circumstances and how?” (as opposed to ‘does it work’?)
- Theorizes programmes, policies, interventions and services
- Asserts that it is not interventions that create change, rather, people create change (Pawson and Tilley 1997)
- Defines “mechanism” as how people respond to resources.

Program theory

So, what
is a
programme
theory?

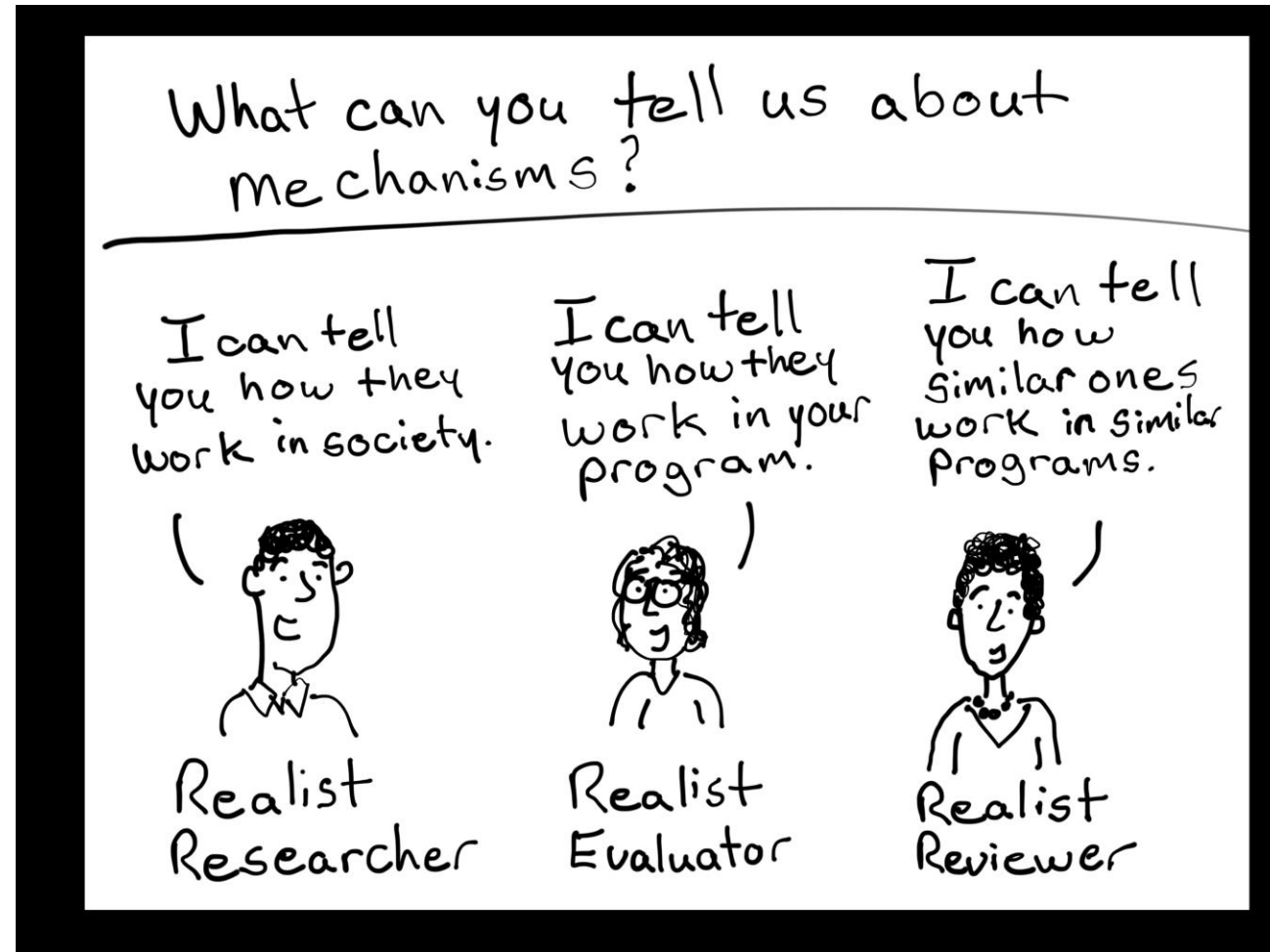


It's just how
and why you
think the
intervention will
work.



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Mechanisms



Above the surface

Intervention Theory

Activity

Activity

Activity

Mechanisms

Mechanisms

Program Theory

Below the surface



Theory

Observe

Explorative

Building theories

Data driven

Inductive

Confirmative

Testing theories

Theory driven

Deductive