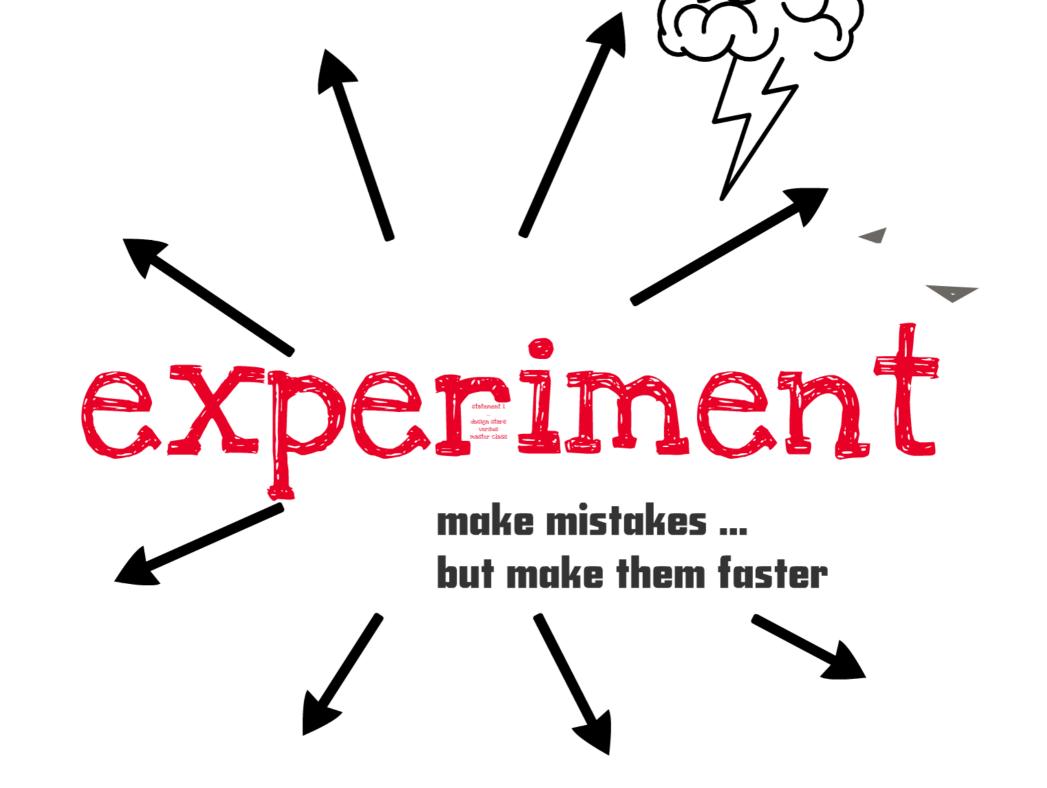


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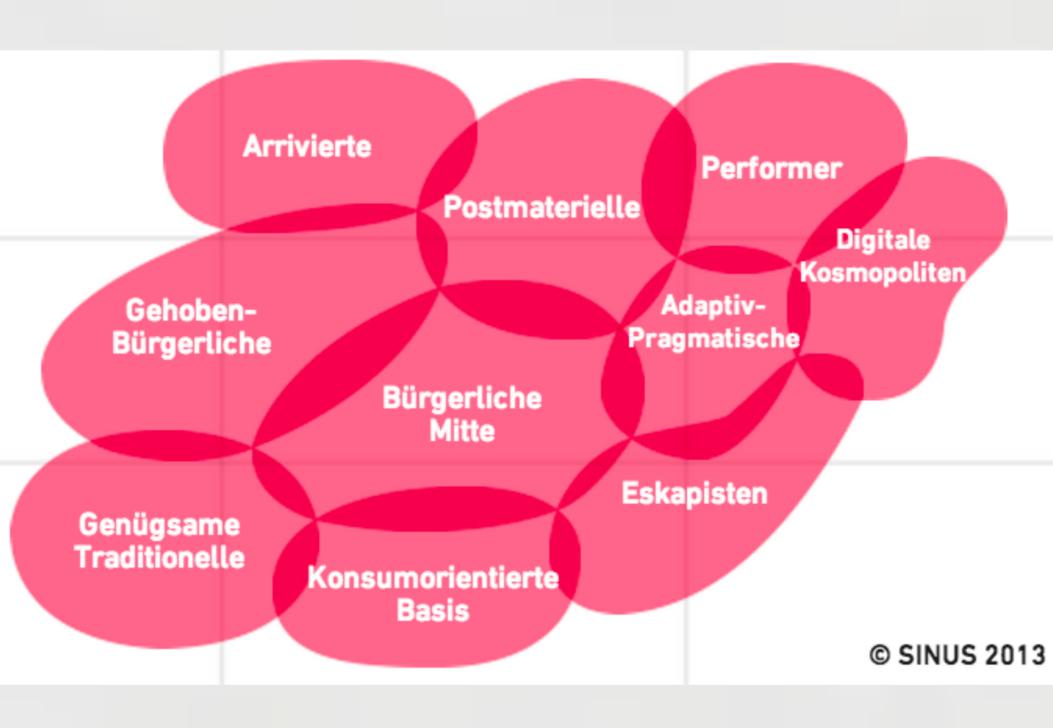
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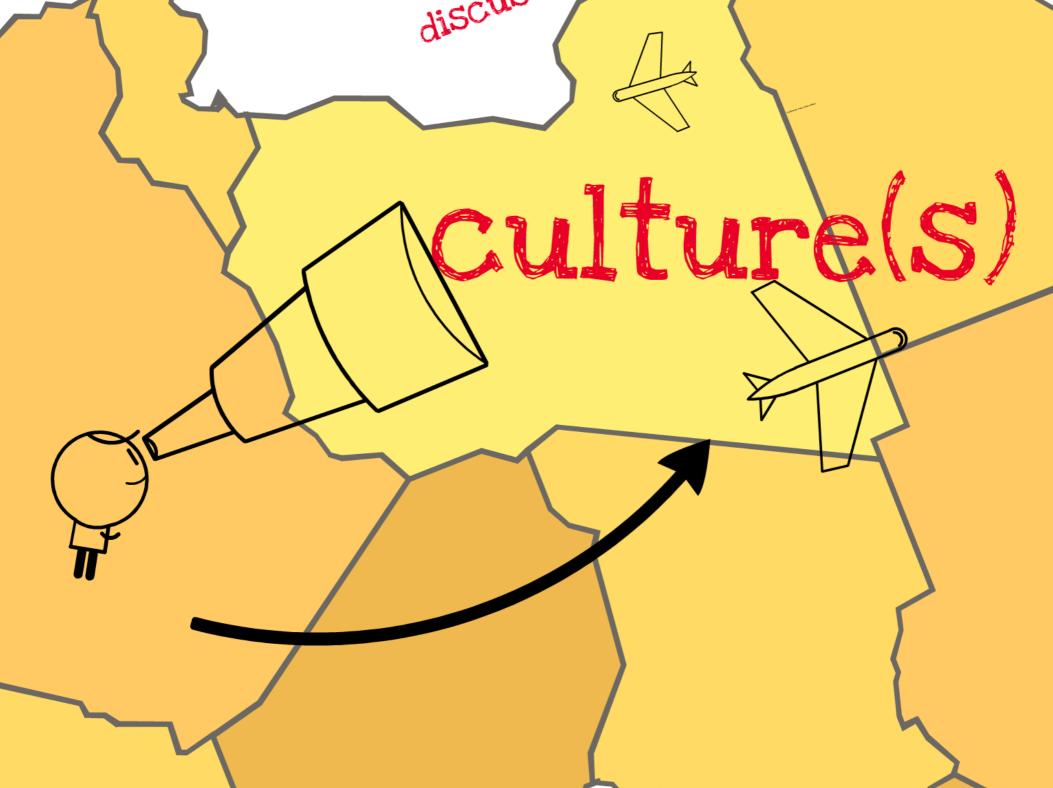




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dominant culture & religious roots determine design attitude



each individual but also each discipline or culture has its own receptors (ways of perceiving the world)

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INTRODUCTION

A few years back, a brilliant student from China began to work with me on questions of social psychology and reasoning. One day early in our acquaintance, he said, "You know, the difference between you and me is that I think the world is a circle, and you think it's a line." Unfazed by what must have been a startled expression on my face, he expounded on that theme. "The Chinese believe in constant change, but with things always

moving back to some prior state. They pay attention to a wide range of events; they search for relationships between things; and they think you can't understand the part without understanding the whole. Westerners live in a simpler, more deterministic world; they focus on salient objects or people instead of the larger picture; and they think they can control events because they know the rules that govern the behavior of objects."

I was skeptical but intrigued. I had been a lifelong universalist concerning the nature of human

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maintained very different systems of thought for thousands of years. Moreover, these scholars are in substantial agreement about the nature of these differences. For example, most who have addressed the question hold that European thought rests on the assumption that the behavior of objects-physical, animal, and human-can be understood in terms of straightforward rules. Westerners have a strong interest in categorization, role in problem solving. East Asians, in contrast, attend to objects in their broad context. The world seems more complex to Asians than to Westerners, and understanding events always requires consideration of a host of factors that operate in relation to one another in no simple, deterministic way. Formal logic plays little role in problem solving. In fact, the person who is too concerned with logic may be considered immature.

As a psychologist, I found these assertions to be revolutionary in their implications. If the scholars in

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