

WHY DP WORLD IS INTRODUCING A3 THINKING IN TO INVESTMENT DECISION MAKING...

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"A certain town is served by two hospitals. In the larger hospital about 45 babies are born each day, and in the smaller hospital about 15 babies are born each day. As you know, about 50 percent of all babies are boys. The exact percentage of baby boys, however, varies from day to day.

Sometimes it may be higher than 50 percent, sometimes lower.

For a period of 1 year, each hospital recorded the days on which more than 60 percent of the babies born were boys. "

Which hospital do you think recorded more such days?

- A The larger hospital
- **B** The smaller hospital

C - About the same (that is, within 5 percent of each other)

"Steve is very shy and withdrawn, invariably helpful but with little interest in people or in the world of reality.

A meek and tidy soul, he has a need for order and structure, and a passion for detail."

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50 COGNITIVE BIASES TO BE AWARE OF SO YOU CAN BE THE VERY BEST VERSION OF YOU







RED HERRING

That is unfortunate. but it is irrelevant and distracting from the main argument.





All humans start out as incompetent babies, so they must grow up to become incompetent adults

GENETIC FALLACY You cannot judge a thing based on its origins.





20 COGNITIVE BIASES THAT SCREW UP YOUR DECISIONS

1. Anchoring bias.

People are **over-reliant** on the first piece of information they hear. In a salary negotiation, whoever makes the first offer establishes a range of reasonable possibilities in each person's mind.



2. Availability heuristic.

People overestimate the importance of information that is available to them. A person might argue that smoking is not unhealthy because they know someone who lived to 100 and smoked three packs a day.

3. Bandwagon effect.

The probability of one person adopting a belief increases based on the number of people who hold that belief. This is a powerful form of **groupthink** and is reason why meetings are often unproductive.

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4. Blind-spot bias.

Failing to recognize your own cognitive biases is a bias in itself. People notice cognitive and motivational biases much more in others than in themselves.



5. Choice-supportive bias.

When you choose something, you tend to feel positive about it, even if that **choice has flaws**. Like how you think your dog is awesome – even if it bites people every once in a while.



6. Clustering illusion.

This is the tendency to **see patterns in random events**. It is key to various gambling fallacies, like the idea that red is more or less likely to turn up on a roulette table after a string of reds.



7. Confirmation bias.

We tend to listen only to information that confirms our preconceptions — one of the many reasons it's so hard to have an intelligent conversation about climate change.



8. Conservatism bias.

Where people favor prior evidence over new evidence or information that has emerged. People were **slow to accept** that the Earth was round because they maintained their earlier understanding that the planet was flat.



9. Information bias.

The tendency to **seek** information when it does not affect action. More information is not always better. With less information, people can often make more accurate predictions.



13. Placebo effect.

When **simply believing** that something will have a certain effect on you causes it to have that effect. In medicine, people given fake pills often experience the same physiological effects as people given the real thing.



17. Selective perception.

Allowing our expectations to influence how we perceive the world. An experiment involving a football game between students from two universities showed that one team saw the opposing team commit more infractions.



10. Ostrich effect.

The decision to **ignore** dangerous or negative information by "burying" one's head in the sand, like an ostrich. Research suggests that investors check the value of their holdings significantly less often during bad markets.



14. Pro-innovation bias.

When a proponent of an innovation tends to **overvalue** its usefulness and undervalue its limitations. Sound familiar, Silicon Valley?

18. Stereotyping.

Expecting a group or person to

have certain qualities without

having real information about

the person. It allows us to

quickly identify strangers as friends or enemies, but people

tend to overuse and abuse it.

11. Outcome bias.

Judging a decision based on the **outcome** – rather than how exactly the decision was made in the moment. Just because you won a lot in Vegas doesn't mean gambling your money was a smart decision.



15. Recency.

The tendency to weigh the **latest information** more heavily than older data. Investors often think the market will always look the way it looks today and make unwise decisions.



19. Survivorship bias.

An error that comes from focusing only on surviving examples, causing us to **misjudge a situation**. For instance, we might think that being an entrepreneur is easy because we haven't heard of all those who failed.



12. Overconfidence.

Some of us are too confident about our abilities, and this causes us to take greater risks in our daily lives. Experts are more prone to this bias than laypeople, since they are more convinced that they are right.



16. Salience.

Our tendency to focus on the most easily recognizable features of a person or concept. When you think about dying, you might worry about being mauled by a lion, as opposed to what is statistically more likely, like dying in a car accident.



20. Zero-risk bias.

Sociologists have found that we love certainty – even if it's counterproductive. Eliminating risk entirely means there is no chance of harm being caused.



BIAS IN DECISION MAKING - EXAMPLES

Anchoring Bias: For instance, if you are told a car costs \$30,000, any subsequent negotiations will revolve around that figure, even if the car's actual value is different.

Availability Heuristic: For example, after seeing news reports about airplane accidents, people might overestimate the risk of flying despite it being statistically safer than driving.

Representativeness Heuristic: For example, someone might assume that a shy person is more likely to be a librarian than a salesperson because the characteristics fit the stereotype of a librarian, even if statistically, there are more salespeople. **Confirmation Bias:** For example, if someone believes that left-handed people are more creative, they will notice

instances that support this belief and ignore cases that contradict it.

Loss Aversion: For example, losing \$100 feels more painful than the pleasure of gaining \$100, leading to risk-averse behavior even when potential gains outweigh potential losses.

Overconfidence Effect: For instance, a person might be extremely confident in their investment choices despite having little expertise in financial markets.

Hindsight Bias: After an event has occurred, people often believe they could have predicted it beforehand. This bias makes outcomes seem more predictable than they actually were, leading to overconfidence in future predictions.

Framing Effect: For example, people might react differently to a surgery's success rate if told it has a 90% success rate versus a 10% failure rate, even though both statements convey the same information.

THE SCIENTIFIC LEARNING CYCLE....



where we

are today...



What we know

Experiments

Target State

Current

State

Obstacles

Challenge

Direction

What we expect to happen...



What Actually happened!



Assumptions

Conclusions

Solutions

VALUE



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3.5 Decision Making

Decisions are choices made under conditions of uncertainty, complexity, and constraint. Decisions are the primary means of allocating and reallocating the organisation's finite resources consistent with its value framework to achieve its strategic objectives. Investment decision-making comprises the policy, principles and criteria, decision-support techniques, information, and processes to address risks or opportunities through the development of alternatives and the selection of priority solutions across the full life cycle to deliver value to stakeholders.

Decision-making criteria should be aligned with Asset Management strategy, objectives and policy and value framework. Asset Management decisions should consider the trade-offs between risk, performance, and cost, while understanding competition for resources and other constraints. Decisions should be made by a capable multi-disciplinary team with appropriate experience and authority supported by technology. Decisions associated with action plans, and results should be tracked to assure the value delivered meets expectations.

LONG TAIL OF CAPEX PROJECTS



A3 THINKING FOR INVESTMENT PROPOSALS

- Is the problem well defined and the current state understood
- Is the outcome (target state) well defined
- Do we understand the barriers and the causes
- Does the proposed solution (investment proposal) address the causes
- Did we test other options as well as the chosen solution (do any experiments)



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