

A Course on Ethics

Basic Concepts

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Knowledge & Ethics

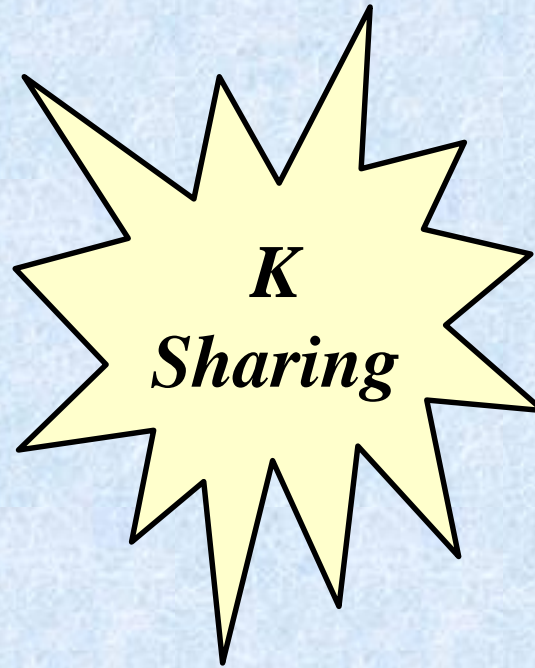


Epistemology

K: *Pyramid*

K: *Types*

K: *Basic Questions*



Ethics

Moral

Virtue

Knowledge & Ethics

Knowledge

includes

“Ethics;

Morality; &

Virtue”

Knowledge

also includes

“Immoralities”

Knowledge

Potential at

birth:

Imbedded (?)

Socrates: (Athens, 400 (+) BC): *From M. McCall (2005), “Leading the Good Life”, Lessons from the Greek,*

Stanford University (Reunion Homecoming: 2008)

Knowledge: *Epistemology*

The theory of knowledge:

How do we know that something is true or false

Empiricism

**The method of thinking
based on
observation &
experience**

Examples / Views (?)

Rationalism

**The use of
reason &
rational methods
for evaluating
knowledge claim**

**Knowledge:
*Pyramid***

Morality (?)

Wisdom:
Views / Decision

**Creativity
Discovery
Innovation
Invention**

**Cognitive
Activities**

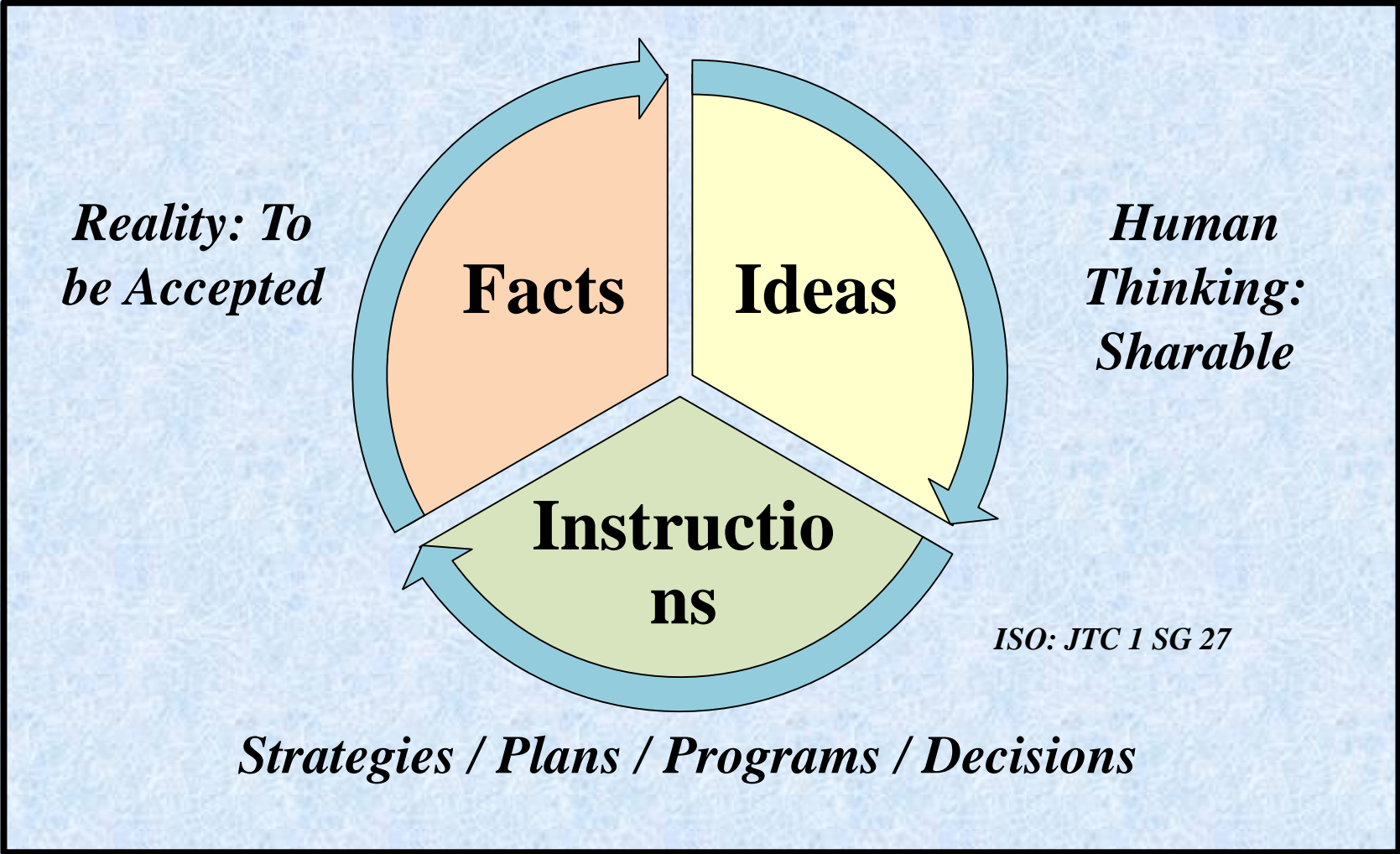
Knowledge:
Accepted meaning (content)

**Facts
Instructions
Ideas**

Information:
Raw material (raw knowledge)

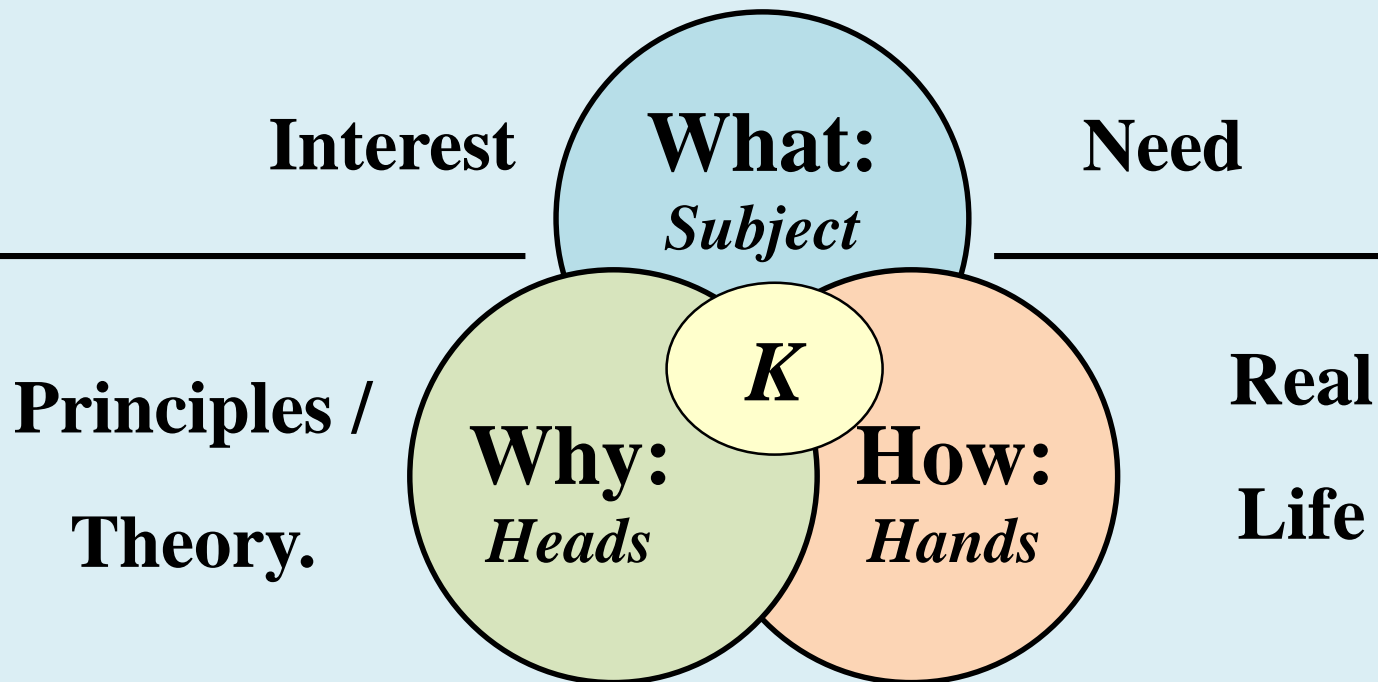
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Knowledge: *Types*



Knowledge: *Basic Questions*

Ethics View (?)



R. Garud (1997), *On the distinction between know-how, know-why, and know what:* www.personal.psu.edu

Ethics (*Ethos from the Greek*)

Refers to the *human awareness* of the difference between:
“*what is*” & “*what ought to be*” & the choice of a “*better world*”

Issues

Discipline

/

Habitual

Good

Virtue

Rules: *e.g.*

People’s

Right

Freedom

Process of

Character

Duty

Rationality

decision making

(Imbedded) (?)

Obligation

Choice

Others.. (?)

Examples / Views (?)

Moral (?)

Moral: *(from Latin: Rome)*

The accepted “*norms & standards of conducts*”
of: a “*society, community, or nation*”

Issues

*Related
to
Ethics,
but..*

**Duty
Obligation
Principles of
Conduct
(behavior) ..**

Common for *All Nations*

The World (?): International Orgs.

Human Behavior (?)

Examples / Views (?)

www.oxfordreference.com

Virtue: (*Arete from the Greek = Excellence*)

**A character to be “admired” “morally”, “intellectually”,
or in the “conduct (behavior) of specific affairs**

<i>Related to</i>	Unity of Virtues	<i>Human Behavior (?)</i>
<i>Ethics &</i>	Possession of one	What if virtue stands in the way of
<i>Moral</i>	requires possession	self interest (?)
<i>Issues</i>	of the other	<i>Examples / Views (?)</i>

Knowledge Sharing:

Reviews / Views / New Issues

By Example: Empiricism

By Logic: Rationalism

By Both

HW (?)