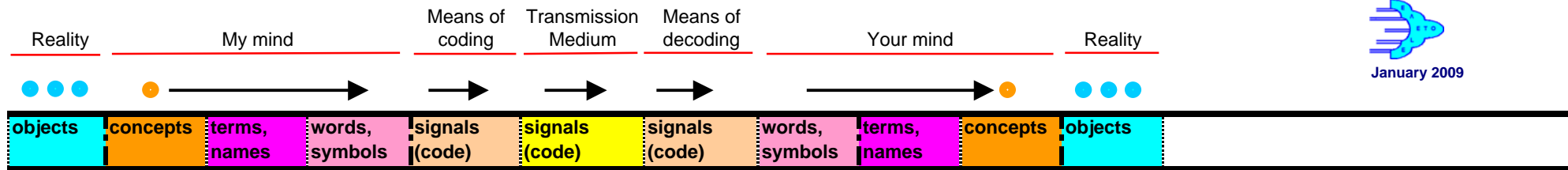


The wonderful line of concept communication

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objects are the individual elements of reality **outside my mind**
objects are **perceived** by **my senses** or **conceived** by **my mind**
objects are **conceptualized** in my mind by abstraction of their **properties** as **characteristics**

concepts are formed **within my mind** as unique **combinations of characteristics** corresponding to **objects** or **sets of objects**
concepts originate in **my mind** whenever I need to communicate with you (**your mind**)
concepts are **designated** by **designations** (**terms** or **names** or **symbols**)

terms and **names** are made of one or more **words**

words are **coded** in **phonemes** articulated in **my mouth** as **signals** or
words are **coded** in **letters** written **by a pencil in my hand** as **signals** or
words are **coded** in **letters** typed **by my fingertips on a keyboard** as **signals** or...
symbols are **coded** in **pictograms** drawn **by a pencil in my hand**, or presented by other means, as **signals**

signals are **transmitted** by **air** (sound signals) or
signals are **transmitted** by **wire** (electric signals) or
signals are **transmitted** by **radio** or **light wave** (electromagnetic signals) or...

signals are **received** by **your ears** and reach **your mind** or
signals are **received** by **your eyes** and reach **your mind** or
signals are **received** by **other senses of yours** and reach **your mind**

signals are **decoded** (by your relevant sense) as **words** or **symbols**

words are grouped (by **your mind**) and form **terms** and **names**

terms, names and **symbols** designate **concepts** in **your mind**

concepts in **your mind** correspond to certain **objects**

objects are elements of reality **outside your mind**

If the **concepts** generated in your mind **correspond to the same objects** or sets of objects **as those** originally **perceived** or **conceived** by my own mind **concept communication has been successful!**