

Welcome BrainToBeing

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All totally excellent, Don! Yes! Right on!

I'm very much enjoying being here: smart people, fun things to think about, interesting conjectures/discussion/debate. Much fun!

Your use of the computer metaphor is right. And, Dr. Barrett is right also. Another person who has opined on this is the psychologist, Nobel Laureate in Economics, Daniel Kahneman. His book, "Thinking, Fast and Slow" is an exploration of our two basic systems (broad generalization) for processing incoming data. The version which is evolutionarily older, expedient, and intent on "fast" is our system of reactions. The version which is evolutionarily newer, inventive, and "slow" by obligation is our analytical system. A core element of what makes us, us, is the interplay of these two systems. You have alluded to this.

Also helpful is your comment: "For my part, I see those predictions as prolepses against which incoming sense data is compared." This is helpful because it offers a "working definition" of prolepses. And, that is partly how I started my engagement with all of you: by seeking to understand how you all use that word. So, I need to ask, for all of you is "prolepsis" the same as "prolepsis"? These might have varied definitions.

Again, much fun. Thank you for letting me participate with you in this interesting adventure.