

# Cynefin Estimation

Solution  
Assessment  
Estimation of  
Complexity,  
Cynefin

**OB**

**OB**

**We know how to  
solve this challenge  
- best practice**

**Obvious (Simple)**

**OB**

**OB**

OC

OC

**There is a part,  
we know, and a part,  
we can find a  
solution to**

Obvious/Complicated

CO

CO

CO

CO

**We can analyze  
and find a  
solution – or  
find expert help**

Complicated

OO

OO

CC

CC

**There is a part,  
we can find out, and  
a part we have to  
experiment with**

**Complicated/Complex**

CC

CC

**CX**

**CX**

**We can come up  
with an experiment,  
that will reveal  
the solution**

**Complex**

**XO**

**XO**

**XC**

**XC**

**There is a part, we  
can experiment with,  
and a part we can't  
see a solution to**

**Complex/Chaos**

**OX**

**OX**

**CH**

**CH**

**We know, we can't  
see a solution, we  
are lost and clueless**

**Chaos**

**HC**

**HC**

CO

CO

**Everybody knows  
how to solve this  
challenge**

Chaos/Obvious

OO

OO

**DO**

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**We can't identify,  
where this challenge  
fits!**

**Disorder**

**DO**

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