Mental Model Theory Of Thinking And Reasoning

Mental models are **minds representations of fictive or real situations**. Idea that mind uses "small-scale models" to perceive reality was first introduced by Kenneth Craik in 1943 and the idea was further developed by Phil Johnson-Laird during 1980s.

Ih his book "Mental Models" Johnson-Laird claims that "it is now plausible to suppose that **mental models play a central and unifying role in representing objects, states of affairs, sequences of events**, the way the world is, and the social and psychological actions of daily life".

Mental models are **simplified representations**, **constantly changing** and typically **include wrong assumptions or contradictions**.

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