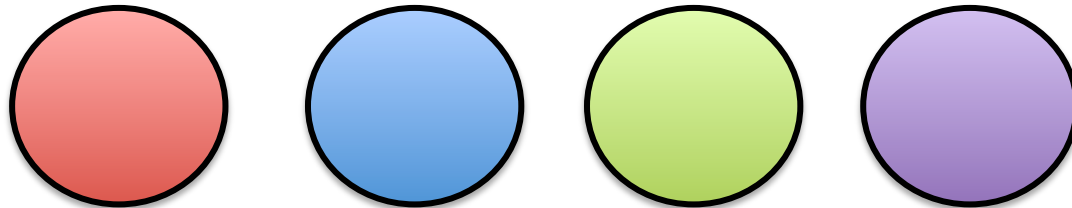


Comparing Culture on the foundation of the concept 'Lebenswelt'

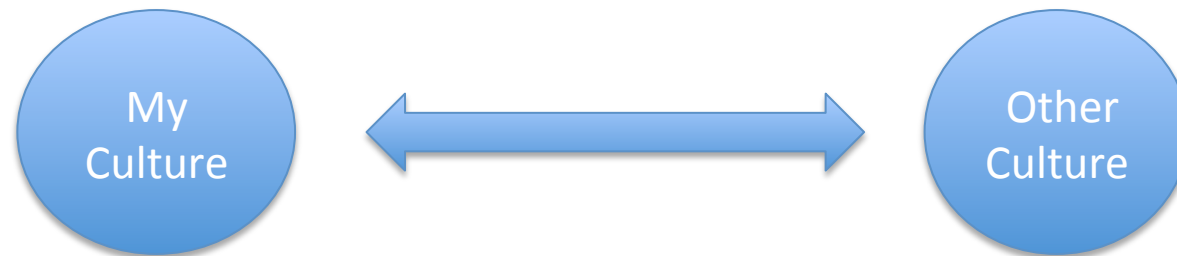


Structure

- Contra Matthes
- Concept 'Lebenswelt' – definition of culture
- Comparing culture based on this theory

Contra Matthes

- Goal is to compare culture



- Same problem: different conclusion
- Phenomenological approach
- Scruba's concept: 'Lebenswelt'

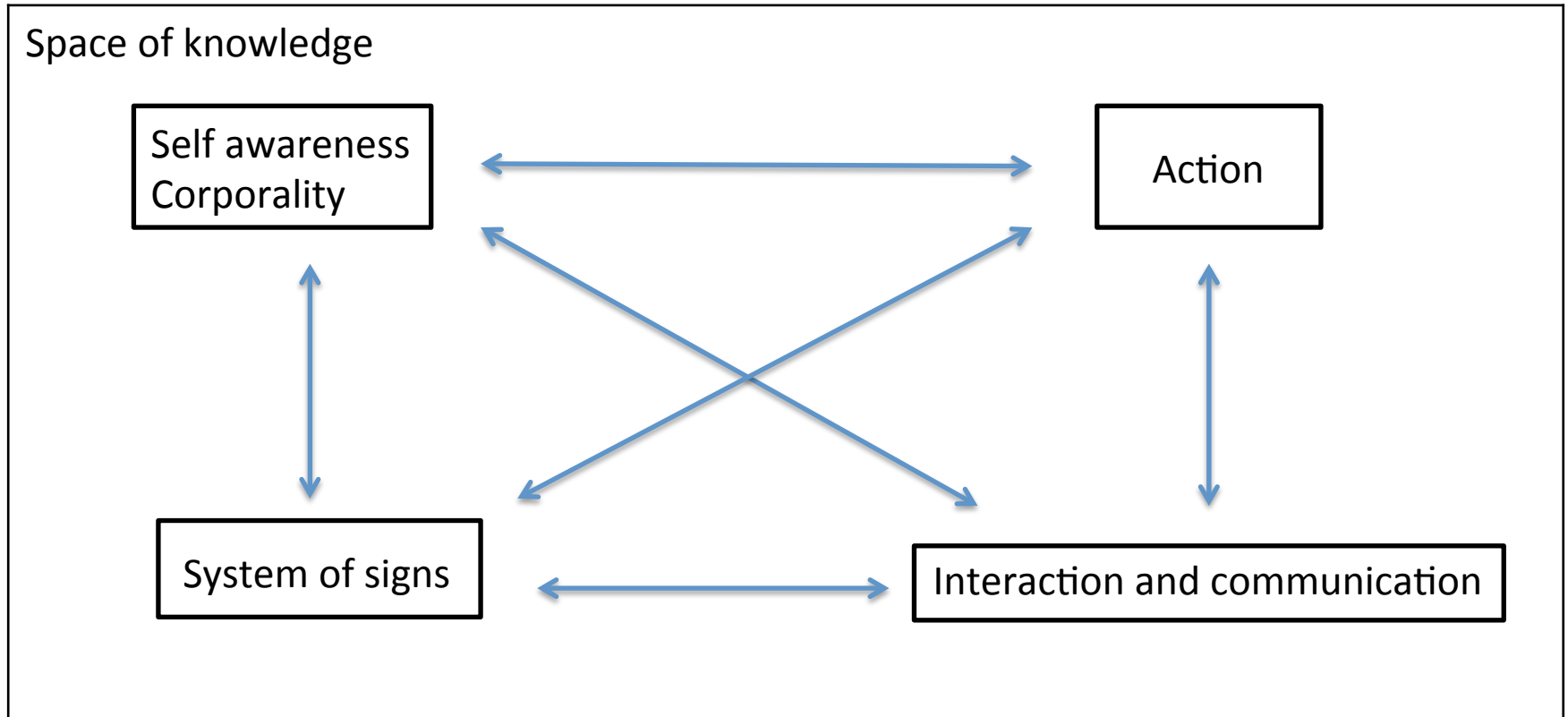
Concept of 'Lebenswelt'

Every culture is able to be reduced on the formal structure of 'Lebenswelt'

→ Universal basic concept for every culture

Concept of 'Lebenswelt'

Culture:



Concept of 'Lebenswelt'

Concept is structured in four mechanisms

→ single spaces of knowledge:

- Self awareness and corporality
- Action
- System of signs
- Interaction and communication

→ Mindful connection between single mechanisms

Definition of Culture

Cultures

- Integrate the four spaces of knowledge
- Are constituted by these mechanisms
 - Knowledge is generative
- same identity – variety caused by different ways of realizing the structure

Comparing culture based on this theory

- As all human beings have a different LEBENSWELT → there is no perfect point of view to compare another culture
- But science can observe cultures in their process of producing and reproducing themselves

