

Emergent Property (glossary)

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Property of a system that is meaningful only at higher levels of the organization of a system and results from increased complexity at higher levels -- adapted from (Checkland 1999, p. 78)

Sources

Checkland, P. 1999. *Systems Thinking, Systems Practice*. New York: John Wiley & Sons.

Discussion

Also, see definition of *emergence* and the Emergence article.

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