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1 planet
2 possible futures
2 possible ways to change
1 way tried

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Progress?

Population 3.8b
CO₂ 328ppm

1972

Population 7b
CO₂ 393ppm

2012
“Divide each difficulty into as many parts as is possible and necessary to resolve it”

Déscartes 1637
“...all the threads are interwoven
everything leads to something else...”

First lady ‘Lady Bird’ Johnson 1970
How much complexity and change can we handle?
Pick a piece of complexity, make ripples
What lies beyond?

Unknown
Unmanageable
Unrealistic

DEAD END

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see 100% of change

see 100% of system
Leverage

New thinking -> new system -> new outcomes

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Reference: blindspot.org.uk/about/#papers
Lever 1

How ambitious?
Default: reduce a problem
New: reverse all problems

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What we want to see is the child in pursuit of the knowledge not the knowledge in pursuit of the child

George Bernard Shaw
How to handle resources?
Default: linear
New: circular

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How to seek security?
Default: prepare for conflict
New: reverse arms race by GPP
Global security

Lever 4
How to get on with nature?
Default: the Earth belongs to us
New: we belong to the Earth

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Lever 6

How to use wealth?
Default: mega-rich, mega-problems
New: share, repay eco-debt

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Reference: Oxfam and the Credit Suisse Global Wealth Report
Lever 7

How to create money?
Default: create money as debt
New: create money publicly, grow real value

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Reference: positivemoney.org
Every planet lever remains in the locked position…

so we’re stuck in reverse progress

If all the levers are shifted in time…

we can unlock a positive future

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