CYNEFIN domain:
CHAOTIC

incoming points of interest

PROJECT MISSION

SCENARIO BACKLOG
(domain language only!)

CYNEFIN domain:
COMPLEX

How to write useful scenarios (Example domain: Cinema)

1. Movie selection
   - a general topic in MVP or beyond
2. Which movie?
   - a question in MVP or beyond
3. Choose movie, select seat, buy ticket
   - a transition in MVP or beyond
4. I as a cinema goer want to buy a ticket in order to buy a ticket
   - an exemplary user story in MVP or beyond
5. Egon buys a ticket via app
   - a concrete input/output pair in the domain
   - a concrete scenario in MVP
6. Egon goes to the cinema dinner-wine-movie-night-for-two with his friend
   - Non-functional requirements
7. Egon wants to watch movies together with his family
   - a user / goal in MVP or beyond
8. Egon buys 5 tickets for "Jurassic World"
   - Social Contract decision
9. Egon buys 5 tickets for Jurassic World 3D (name of a fictitious movie), his wife, his 15 year old son Kevin, and his 10 year old daughter. Each of them (which means Egon, too) has a different ticket price, and Egon has to make the decision, if he buys a 3D ticket or a crucial, and covers the recording of exactly in cash.
   - Social Contract and no talking!

in focus
(now!)

(later in focus)

invalid /
unrealistic /
somebody else's problem

out of scope
(never in focus)

CYNEFIN domain:
COMPLICATED

ORIENTATION SCENARIOS
AKA "fishbones"

storyline of fishbone

storyline

Scenario Stickies:

Example Scenario
(an interesting exemplary situation in the domain)

Theme
(a special area of interesting scenarios)

Meta Level Stickies:

Explanation
(e.g., domain term / abbreviation / situational background)

Guiding Principle
(e.g., business decision / policy / UX requirement / technical constraint / idea)

Notepad
(e.g., question / issue / point of interest)

TODO
(e.g., next steps)

Transition Markings:

Your decision!

Team decision!

Color coding of example scenario states (in fishbones):

Open
(an example scenario not yet analyzed)

Work In Progress
(example scenario under analysis / discussion / in implementation)

DONE
(example scenario fully supported by software)

Fishbone markers:

catchy title of fishbone

Separation of storylines of unlinked fishbones