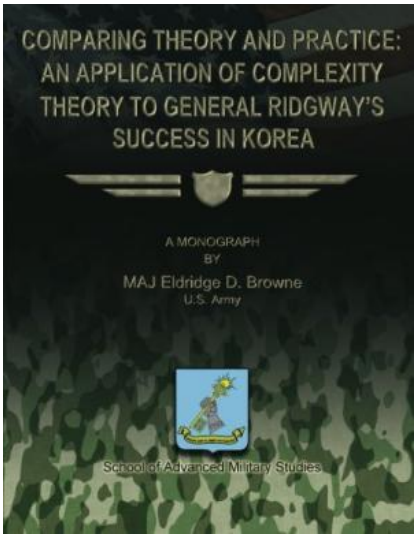


DOWNLOAD

Comparing Theory and Practice - An Application of Complexity Theory to General Ridgways Success in Korea

By Maj Eldridge D Browne

Createspace. Paperback. Book Condition: New. This item is printed on demand. Paperback. 70 pages. Dimensions: 11.0in. x 8.5in. x 0.2in.Complexity theory has attracted considerable interest from operational artists in recent times. However, because it is still an emerging field, there are few if any historical case studies that show how complexity applies to military operations. Using the comparison method, this review compares the similarities and differences between a historical case study and insights from complexity theory in order to evaluate the utility of complexity theory for military practice. The first three months of Lieutenant General Matthew Ridgways command of the Eighth Army during the Korean War is chosen for the historical case study, as an exemplar of successful operational command. Complexity theory is compared with how Ridgway understood, perceived, and approached the complexity of his operational environment. Complexity theory offers broad guidelines for action, such as: use simple rules to generate complex behavior; look at the system from multiple scales to gain better perspective; achieve a holistic picture of the situation by recognizing interdependence; and continually adapt to a changing environment. The comparative analysis shows good agreement between these recommendations of complexity theory and Ridgways successful campaign. A significant implication...

Reviews

A must buy book if you need to adding benefit. We have study and so i am sure that i am going to likely to study once again again in the foreseeable future. I realized this book from my i and dad encouraged this ebook to discover.

-- ***Duane Fadel***

Completely essential go through ebook. it absolutely was writtern quite properly and useful. Your way of life span will likely be enhance the instant you total looking at this publication.

-- ***Norma Dooley***