



“Chaos, Complexity, and Entropy”

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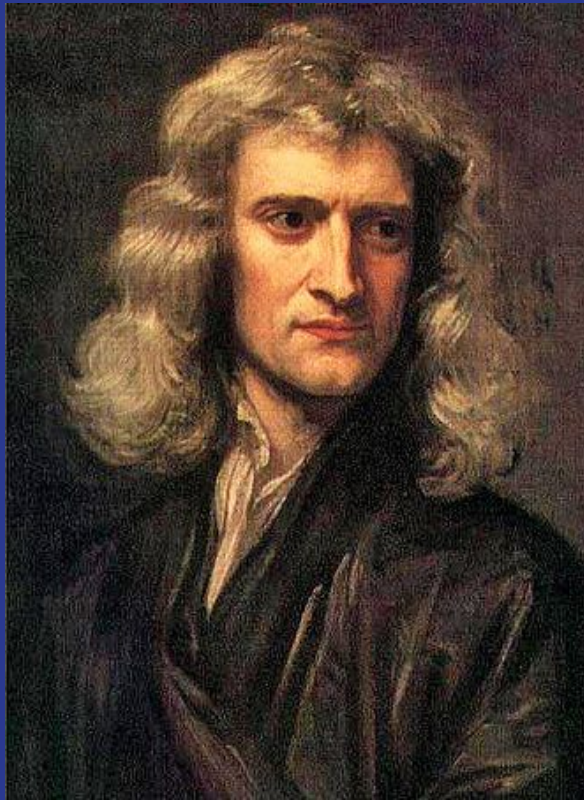


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Chaos

Chaos is the anti-calculus revolution.



Calculus is all about:

$$y = f(x)$$

For smooth and simple f .

Portrait of Newton in 1689 by [Godfrey Kneller](#) - *wikipedia*

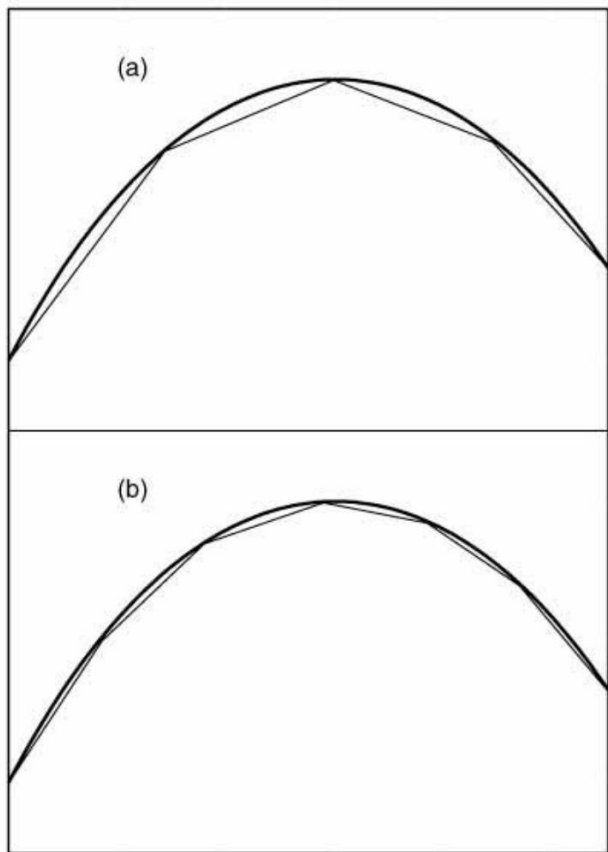
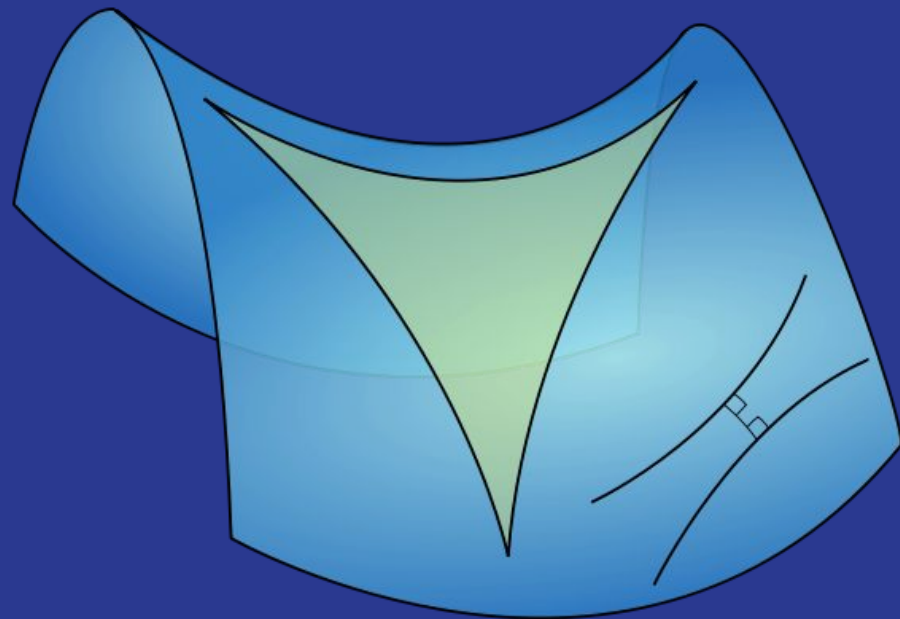
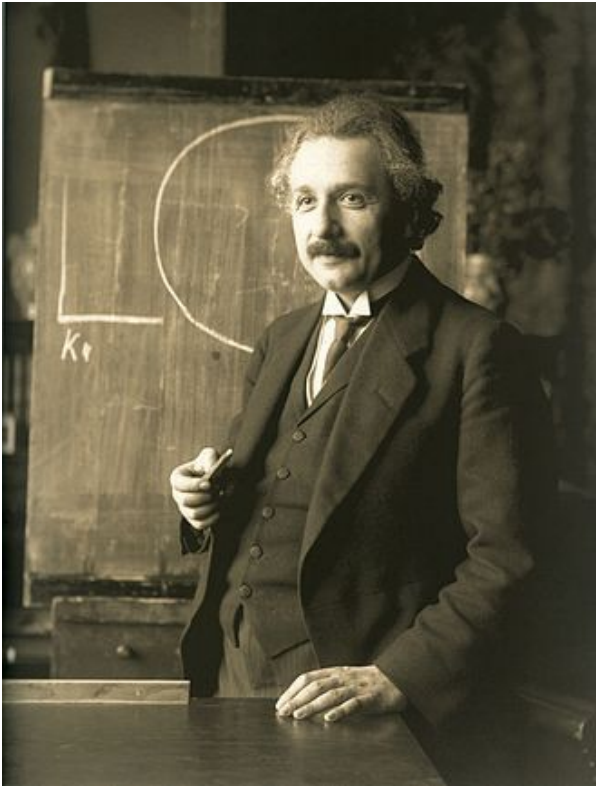


Figure 1: *The first and last calculus lesson.*



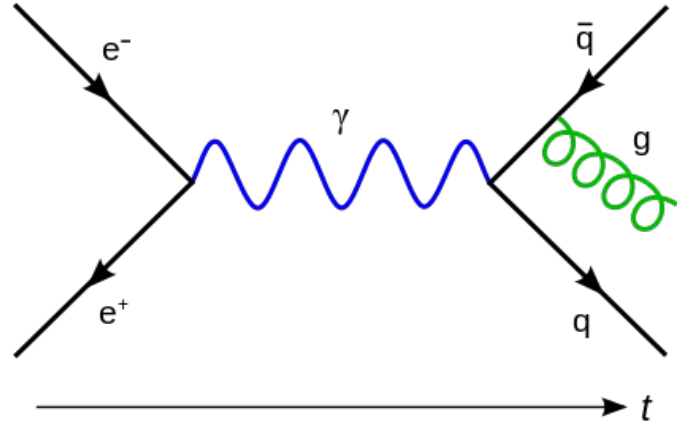
A triangle immersed in a saddle-shape plane (a hyperbolic paraboloid), as well as two diverging ultraparallel lines. *Wikipedia*



Albert Einstein in 1921 - *Wikipedia*

QM & QFT, both
based on Calculus!

$$\hat{H}|\psi(t)\rangle = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi(t)\rangle$$



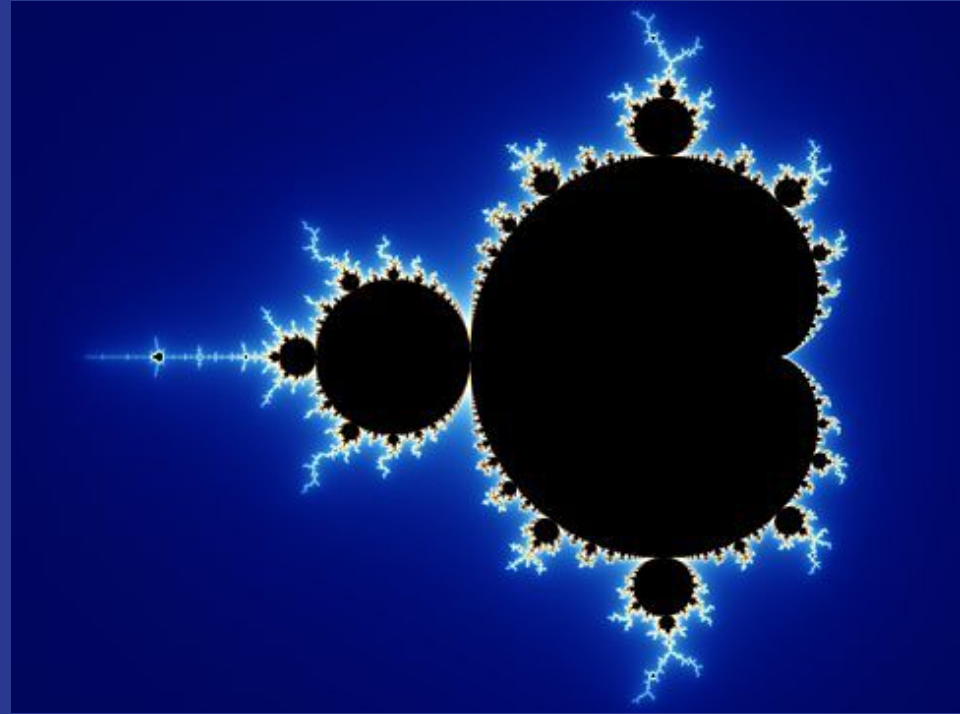
- *Fractals are chaos in space!*



Sierpinski triangle - *Wikipedia*



- *Fractals are chaos in space!*
- *But not always self-similar*



Initial image of a Mandelbrot set zoom sequence with a continuously colored environment - *Wikipedia*

- *The signature of time-chaos is something called “sensitivity to initial conditions”.*

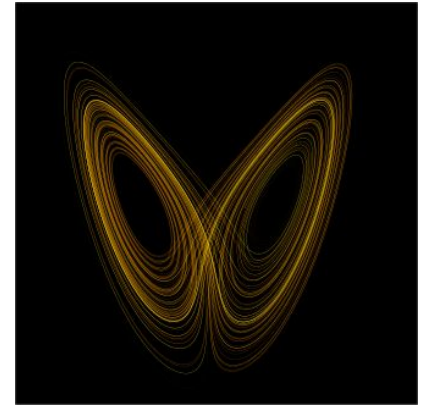


Edward Lorenz - Wikipedia



*Sensitivity to initial
conditions is the death of
reductionism!*

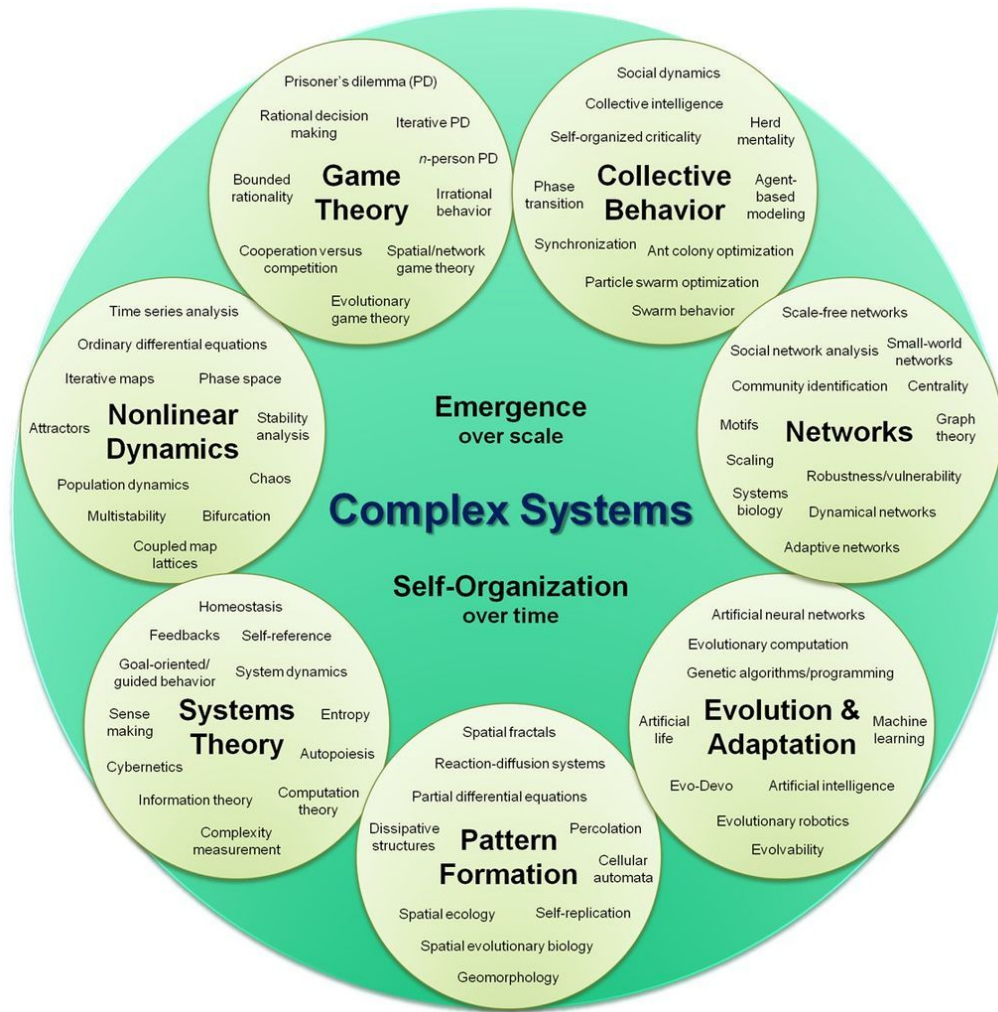
- Every chaotic dynamical system is a fractal-manufacturing machine.
- Conversely, every fractal can be seen as the possible result of the prolonged action of time-chaos.



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= \sigma(y - x), \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= x(\rho - z) - y, \\ \frac{dz}{dt} &= xy - \beta z.\end{aligned}$$

Complexity!

Oh, yeah!, see: sitpor.org



Entropy

Did anyone say Hail Boltzmann?!

$$S = k \cdot \log W$$



LYDWIG
BOLTZMANN
1844 - 1906

DR. PHIL. PAULA
BOLTZMANN
GEB. CHIARI
1871 - 1977
ARTHUR
BOLTZMANN
DIPL. ING. DR. PHIL. HOFER
1881 - 1952
LYDWIG
BOLTZMANN
1923 - 1945
LETZTER MÄNNLICHER NACHKOMME
GEFALLEN BEI SMOLENSK

HENRIETTE
BOLTZMANN
FEB. EDLE VON AIGENTLER
1854 - 1938

$$S = k \cdot \log W$$

Boltzmann's grave in the
Zentralfriedhof, Vienna,
with bust and entropy
formula. - *Wikipedia*

“The paradox of the Arrow of Time”

Unsolved problem in physics:

? *What links the quantum arrow of time to the thermodynamic arrow?*

(more unsolved problems in physics)

Liouville's Theorem

Evolution of an ensemble of *classical* systems in *phase space* (top). Each system consists of one massive particle in a one-dimensional *potential well* (red curve, lower figure). Whereas the motion of an individual member of the ensemble is given by *Hamilton's equations*, *Liouville's equations describe the flow of the whole distribution*. The motion is analogous to a dye in an incompressible fluid.

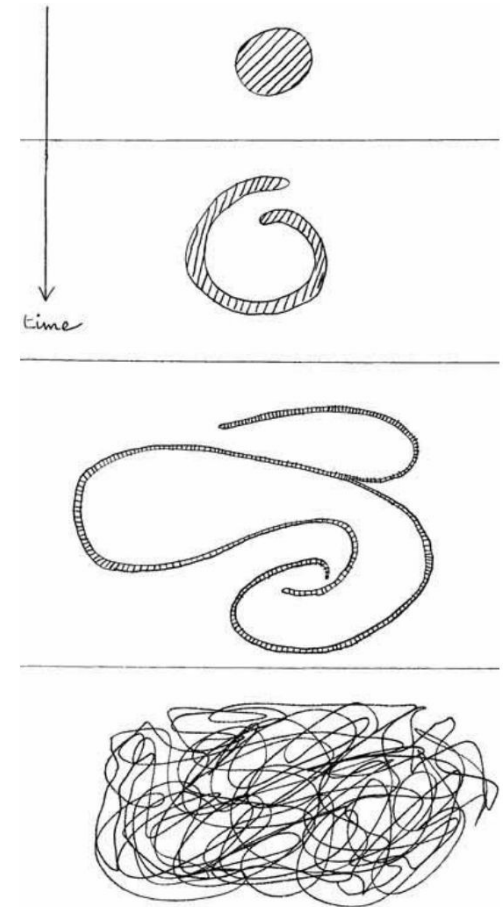
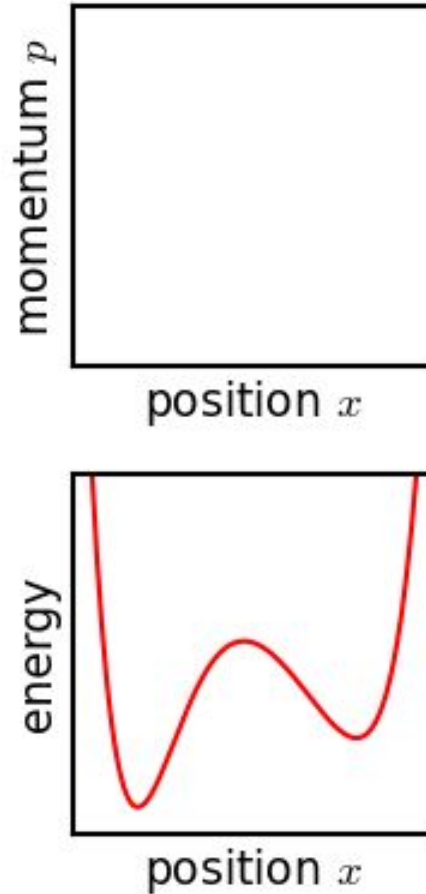


Figure 4: The time evolution of a simple region of phase space turns it into a fractal.

Where Does Complexity Come From?



<http://www.aparat.com/v/84ncH>

Resources

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A physics talk for non-physicists

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Fractals:

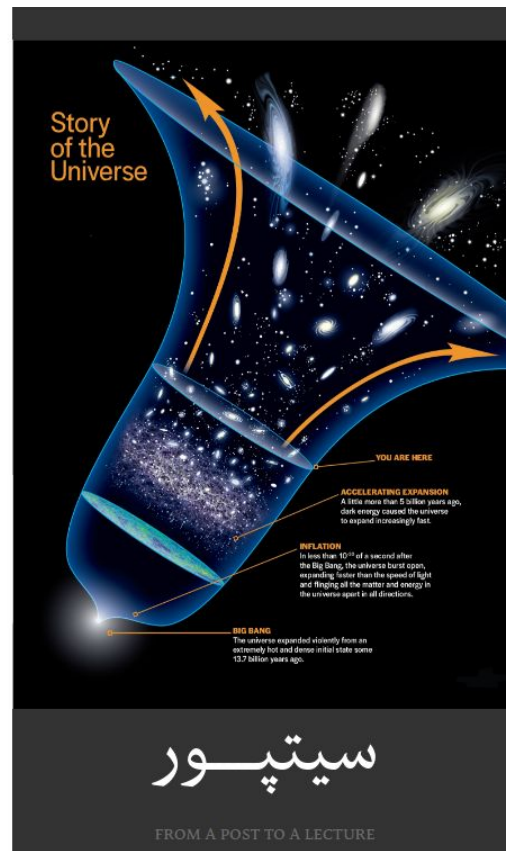
نوشته‌های دنباله‌دار

۱- فرکتال‌ها (برخال‌ها – fractals):

«هندسه‌ی فرکتالی، فقط بخشی از ریاضیات نیست، بلکه موضوعی است که به هرکس کمک می‌کند تا این دنیا را متفاوت ببیند.» بنوا مندلبرو – پدر هندسه‌ی فرکتالی

- قسمت اول) مقدمه و معرفی
- قسمت دوم) ویژگی‌ها و تعاریف
- قسمت سوم) خم‌های فضاپرکن و فرکتال‌های تصادفی
- قسمت چهارم) مجموعه ژولیا
- قسمت پنجم) مجموعه مندلبرو

۲- آموزش آنلاین، معرفی کتاب و دوره:



TEXTBOOKS

For the technically inclined, here are a few good books.

Steven H. Strogatz, *Nonlinear Dynamics and Chaos* (Addison-Wesley, Reading, 1994). Undergraduate level. Mostly about dissipative chaos. Quite entertaining.

L.E. Reichl, *The Transition to Chaos*, (Springer, New York, 1992). Graduate level. Mostly about conservative chaos. Very complete. Includes quantum chaos.

Yaneer Bar-Yam, *Dynamics of Complex Systems* (Addison-Wesley, Reading, 1997). Invaluable. Very wide range of topics.

Roger Balian, *From Microphysics to Macrophysics*, 2 volumes (Springer, Berlin, 1991–2). A thorough introduction to statistical mechanics.

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