# Geometric properties of perspectives:

M4 geometry of perception endless geographies of explanation

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Topologic projections: conformations of perspectives

### Perspectives: 3 axes of complexity in both explaining and experiencing



# Shapes in transformations & human frames of reference



'Not only can God make a square circle, humans can too. The trick is to adopt a higher viewpoint.'

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(Sheahen 2003)



→ See animation 'Cube-Sphere'

# Scientific systems of coordinates and their dual transforms

**'Morphometrics:** metric study of biological shape variation. 'Factors include genetic factors, pre-natal environment'. There are many theories. We propose a statistical theory of shape.' (*See animation 'Cube-Sphere'*)



same properties as Left- and Right-perspectives and dominant human perceptions: visual and auditory The 3 'fundamental' perspectives: structural, nodal or modal, functional, representations do not match totally Trivial knot ('unknot'), The 3-stars trefoil knot, and figure-eight knot: experiment:





None of these 3 knots can be rearranged to look like the others. (Adams 2001)

See also <3 star experiment>

### 3 geometries and 2 geographies: experience and explanation







Closed Geometry

**Open Geometry** 

Flat Geometry

Spherical Hyperbolic Flat Universes with curvatures: positive negative zero

'The cosmic density parameter  $\Omega$ determines the three possible shapes to the Universe; a flat universe (Euclidean or zero curvature), a spherical or closed universe (positive curvature) or a hyperbolic or open universe (negative curvature). ' (Schombert. J., June 2006) http://abyss.uoregon.edu/~js/ast123/lectures/lec15.html S1 Time S3 Space

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S1: ∞ Time circular (or a linear section of it) circulating from an invisible origin (center of yellow circle).
S3: Space FlatLands = Spheresurface or 'The Earth' (square sector) with a hidden inside.

Transformations of shape in 3D: **'shaping' of explanation/experience** (shaman, prophet, alchemist, healer, visionary, cosmologist...)



Topography: Sphere, globe – Tube, tunnel, staff, rod, leg – Funnel, pit Topology: Mathematical 'ball' – Wormhole (or snake) – Cup, crucible

## Shapes of late stone age 'tokens'

Plain Tokens



'The early tokens, dating from about 8000 to 4400-4300BC are called plain tokens and mainly consist of a few types – spheres, cones, tetrahedrons, discs and cylinders. In the second phase of the system... complex tokens appear... most significantly in the activities... of temples.' (Rudgley 1999 p.51)



# Gesture: wiggle, path, circle to represent modal transformations



Examples of 'motion event' expressions from Nicaraguan participants' narratives. (A) Manner and path expressed simultaneously. (B) Manner and path expressed sequentially (Senghas, Kita & Özyüre 2004 Children creating core properties of language.)

'Gauge' rePresentation of 'fields' of existence Descriptions: a physical space & a complex radial loop [Left: a plane of real number, right: a plane with imaginary numbers]



Figure A2: If the field is achiral the radial loop shrinks to a line segment

'Achiral field whose radial loop is a line': eg classic symmetry of the scientific

Space 2 Time the 'achiral', stable 'FlatLand' with ineluctable 'flow' of time.



Figure A1: 2D chiral field and its derived radial loop

Looping 'chiral field': eg a TimedSpace with L-R uneven properties, and 'natural' processes such as seasonal time cycles :

uneven Human Reality

regularity of 'natural' cycles

- 'Icons' of anthropomorphism and 'physikemorphism' -

# The 2 hands of...: an example of physikeMorphism **2** anthropoMorphism



Explanations we derive from nexial-topology (eg chirality) we eventually find as experiences in the natural-physical world or the anthropomorphic-human real world, and vice-versa.

# Left and Right: brain, vision & explanation

(Maturana & Varela 1987 p228) in Tree of Knowledge



### PhysikeMorphism Anthropomorphism



*Rugosa* coral in physical nature



Maxwell's early model by physical analogy (Nercessian 2002)



Spiral Dynamics of human evolution (Beck & Cowan 1996)

'Natural' whirl wind vs Medieval medicine: disease of 'wind'

The 'East wind' archaic 'Elemental' model, traced back to a female imaging of nexial-topologic orienting : 'Wind' as 'increase' in activity, covariant with 'going off track', hence of limited use.



### One-way covariant deployments leave a 'drift':



#### integration

enfoldment

differentiations unfoldment

#### A common direction:

Relative: both sides are symmetric and in circularity, and have the *same* vertical axis topologically oriented 'up'. They leave, altogether, a slight diffraction – a drift.

'Nexial-topology' (deployed) modelling shows that the same generic parameters frame perspectives in any field.

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