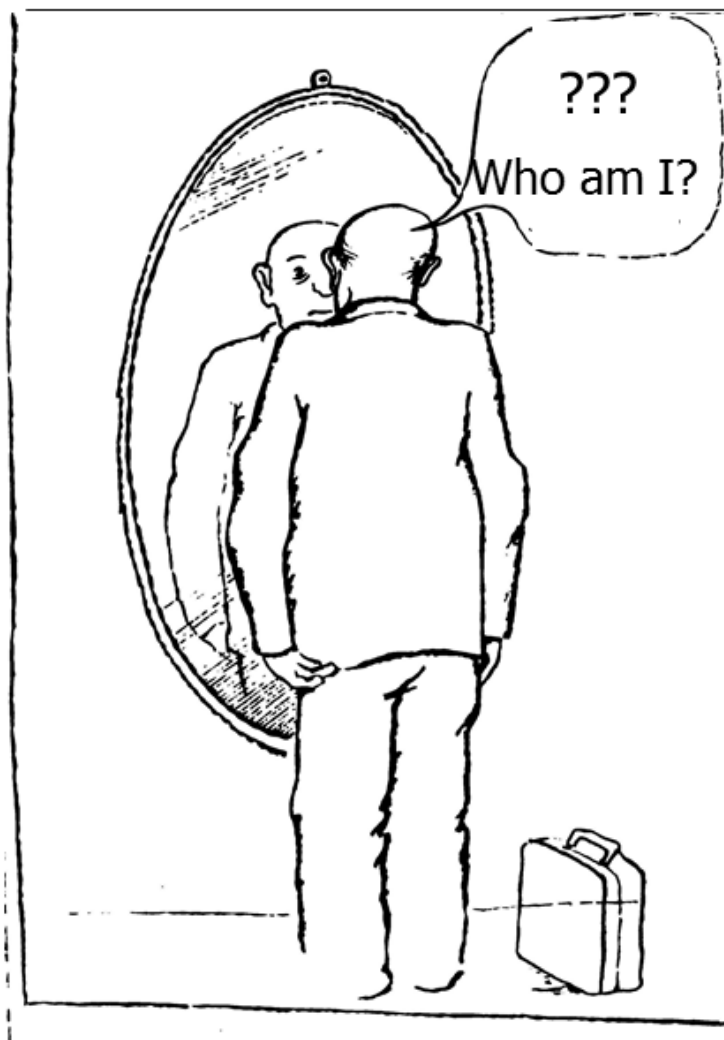


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Plan



- Golden time of play
- A mysterious review
- Mainstream or not Mainstream ... ?
- How to measure leadership?
- Past Mainstream or future Mainstream?
- Change of epochs:
 - from the Great Laws discovery
 - to struggle with Complexity



Plan



- Model reduction
- Self-simplification
- Stair of locomotive problems
- Are we crazy to rely on Mathematics,
or “the unreasonable effectiveness of
Mathematics in the Natural Sciences”
- Acknowledgements

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Gautama metamorphoses



His father had ordered that he
live a life of total seclusion...
But one day Siddhartha
ventured out into the world
and was confronted with the
reality of the inevitable
suffering of life.

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A mysterious review



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MONEY



Leonardo & Avicenna



Demokrit & Al-Farabi



Kopernikus & Descartes



Gauss & Euler



Einstein, Bohr & Schrödinger



Tesla, Faraday, Ørsted & Volta



Kelvin & Rutherford



Smith & Marx



Darwin & Newton



Should we follow the
past mainstream?



Just Join



Let us follow this nice road!

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Change of era



From Einstein's **"flight from miracle."**

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To **struggle with complexity**

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Flight from miracles to simple and beautiful laws



Known Laws,
beautiful
and simple

A miracle:

A phenomenon
that contradicts
the known laws,
to the best of our
knowledge.

New Laws,
beautiful
and simple

The flight from the miracle

**Our past
mainstream**



Struggle with complexity



A phenomenon

Basic Laws,
beautiful and
simple

A model is a device that works,
Applied mathematics becomes
MODEL ENGINEERING,
Applied mathematicians are
MODEL ENGINEERS

A complex model
that follows
the basic laws,
but **does not work**,
and we **believe** it is true

A model
that **works**

The struggle with complexity

Our future
mainstream



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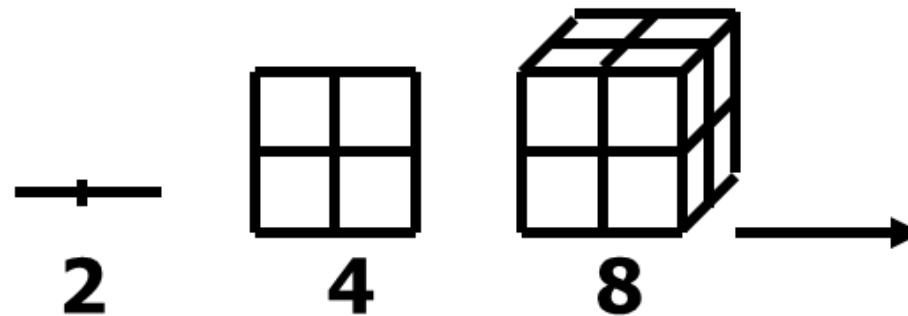


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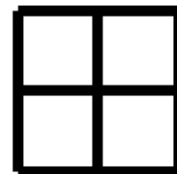
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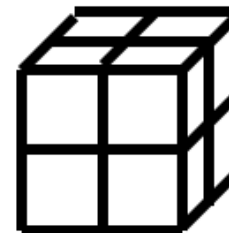
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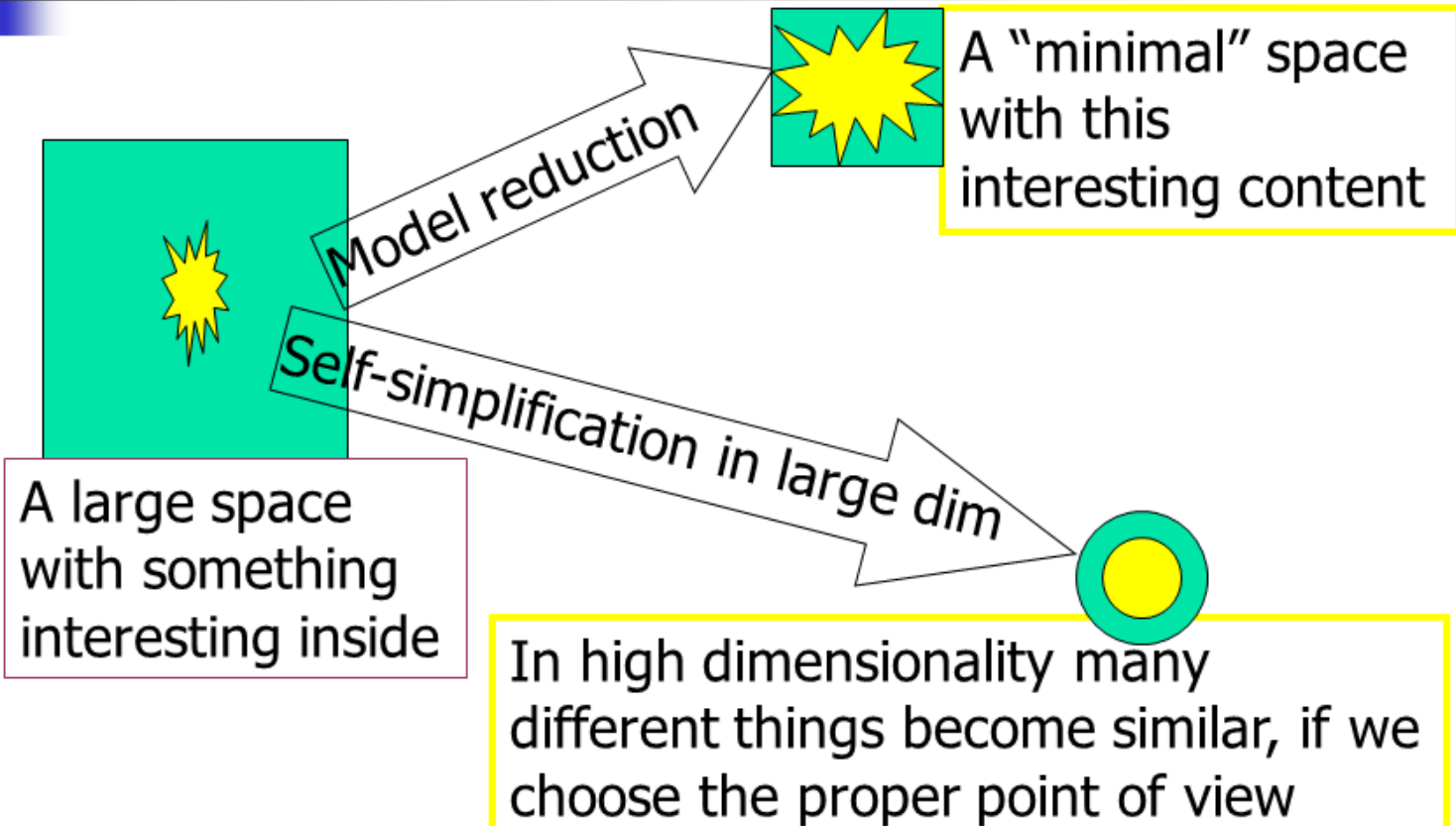


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Two main grips in our struggle with complexity





Turbulence:
it is infinite variety, isn't it?



Model reduction



Let us find main components





Dimension of flow space



The upper boundary: $\text{dim} < \text{const} \times Re^3$

where Re is the Reynolds number (Osborne Reynolds, 1883):

$$Re = \frac{\rho v_s L}{\mu}$$

v_s - mean fluid velocity,
 L - characteristic length,
 μ - dynamic fluid viscosity,
 ρ - fluid density.

Typical values of Reynolds number

Blood flow in brain ~ 100

Blood flow in aorta ~ 1000

Onset of turbulent flow ~ 2300

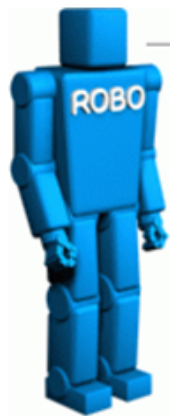
Person swimming $\sim 4000,000$

Aircraft $\sim 10,000,000$

Find main components,
project and enjoy



Genomic sequence as a text in unknown language



taggggtcgcacgtgggtgagctgatgctaggg
agggtcgcacgtgggtgagctgatgctaggg
taggggtcgcacgtgggtgagctgatgctaggg

taggggtcgcacgtgggtgagctgatgctaggg

frequency dictionaries:

t a g g g t c g c a c g t g g t g a g c t g a t g c t a g g g	$N = 4 = 4^1$
t a g g g t c g c a c g t g g t g a g c t g a t g c t a g g	$N = 16 = 4^2$
t a g g g t c g c a c g t g g t g a g c t g a t g c t a g g	$N = 64 = 4^3$
t a g g g t c g c a c g t g g t g a g c t g a t g c t a g g	$N = 256 = 4^4$

Model reduction



From text to geometry

cgtggtgagctgatgctaggggtcgacgtggtgagctgatgctaggggtcgacgtggtgagctgatgctaggggtcg

10^7

length~300-400

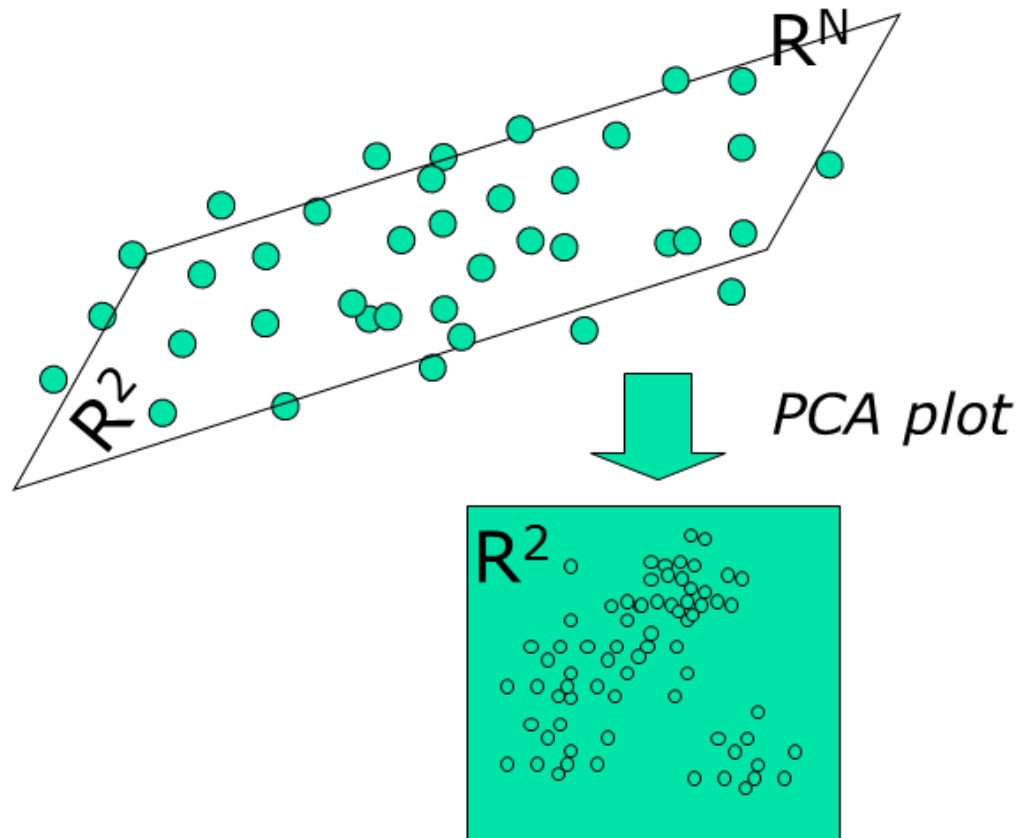
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.....
gagctgatgctaggggtcgacaaagtga

3000-4000 fragments

R^N



Method of visualization principal components analysis





Caulobacter crescentus



singles
N=4

doublets
N=16

triplets
N=64

quadruplets
N=256

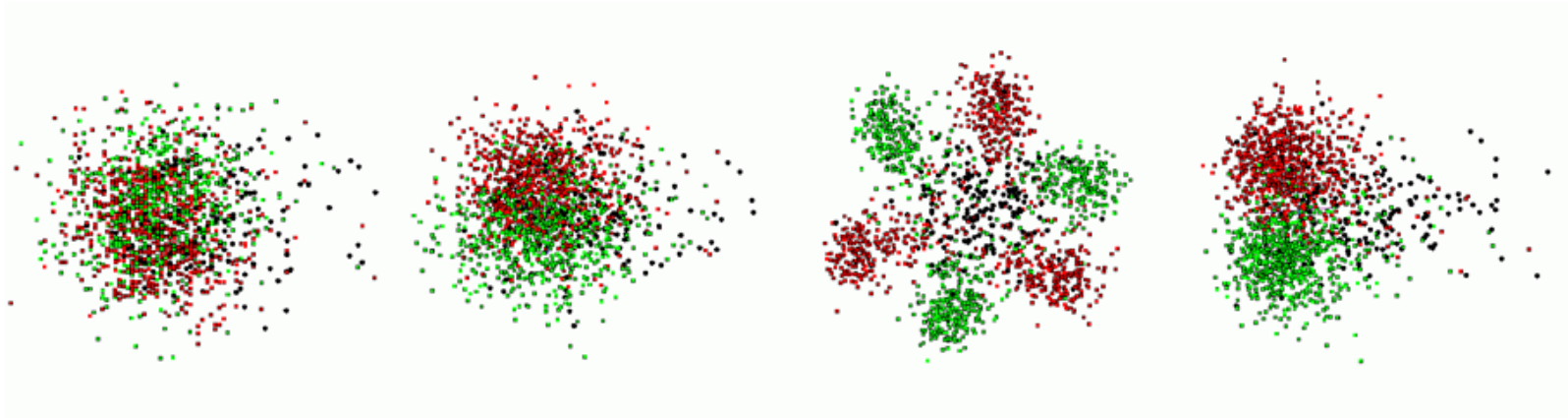
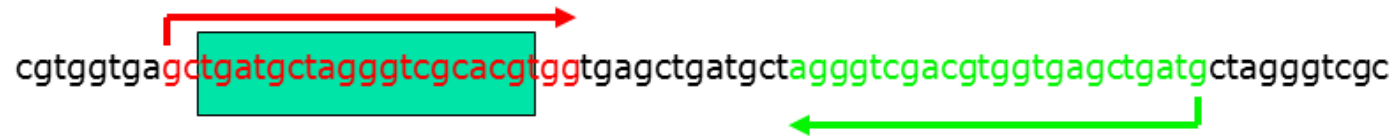
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*the information in genomic sequence is encoded
by non-overlapping triplets*



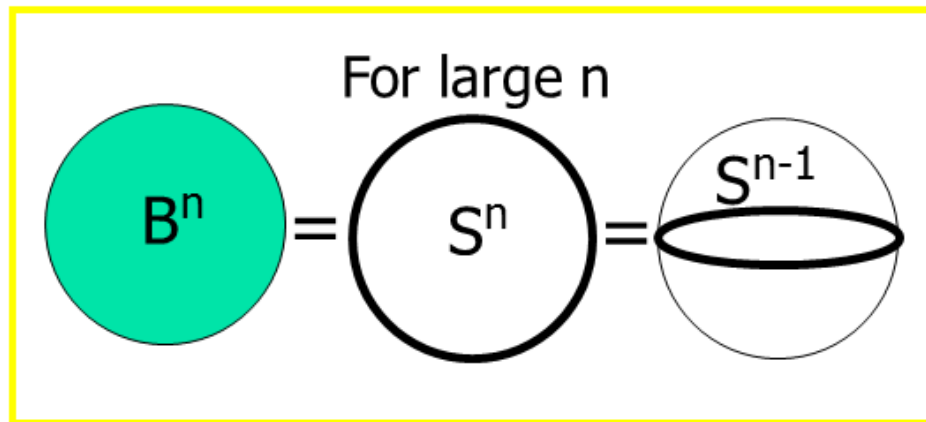
First explanation

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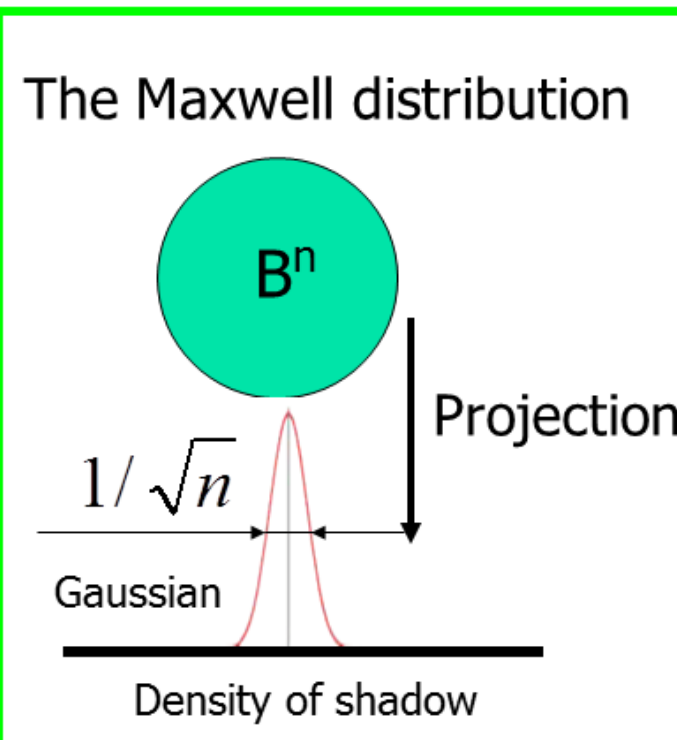


Measure concentration effects



Maxwell
Gibbs
Milman
Talgrand
Gromov

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Self-simplification in large dim

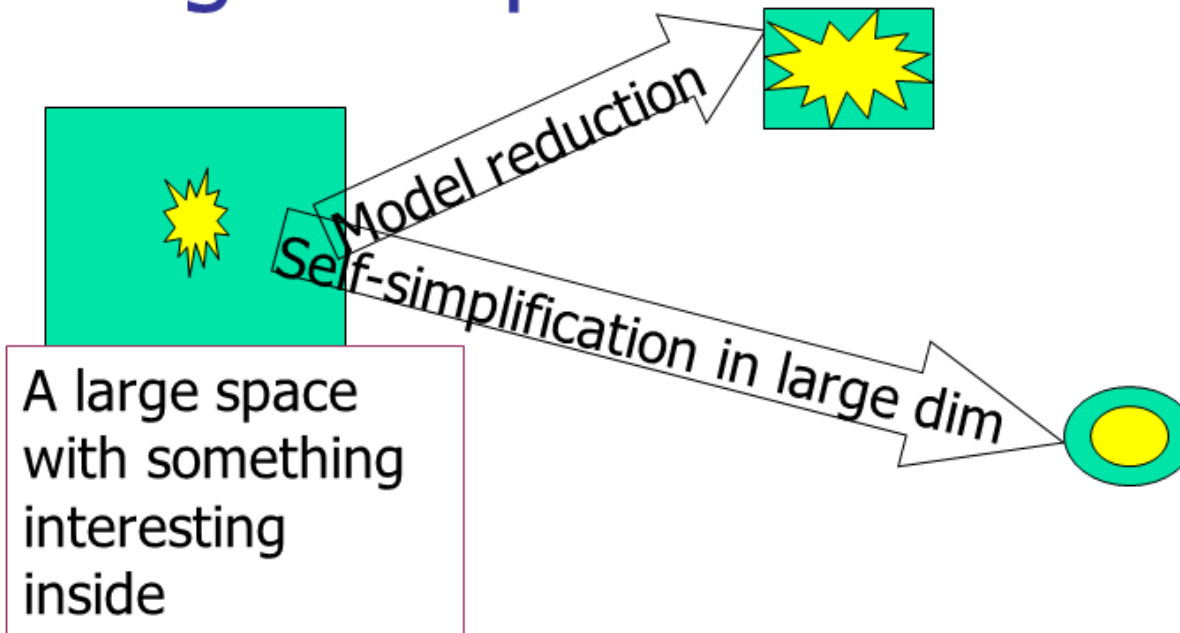


Three provinces of the Complexity Land





Which way should we follow in a given specific case?



The future flexible technology should combine both



The stair of locomotive problems (1)



“Computational Turbulence”: to compute turbulent flows with appropriate accuracy in appropriate time from the first principles.

“Chemical accuracy”: the quantum chemistry calculations need at least a one more order in accuracy to predict the chemical features (energies) of molecules.

“Molecular individualism”: how to describe dynamics of macromolecular complexes and media where different molecules have individual behavior and the averaging is impossible?



The stair of locomotive problems (2)



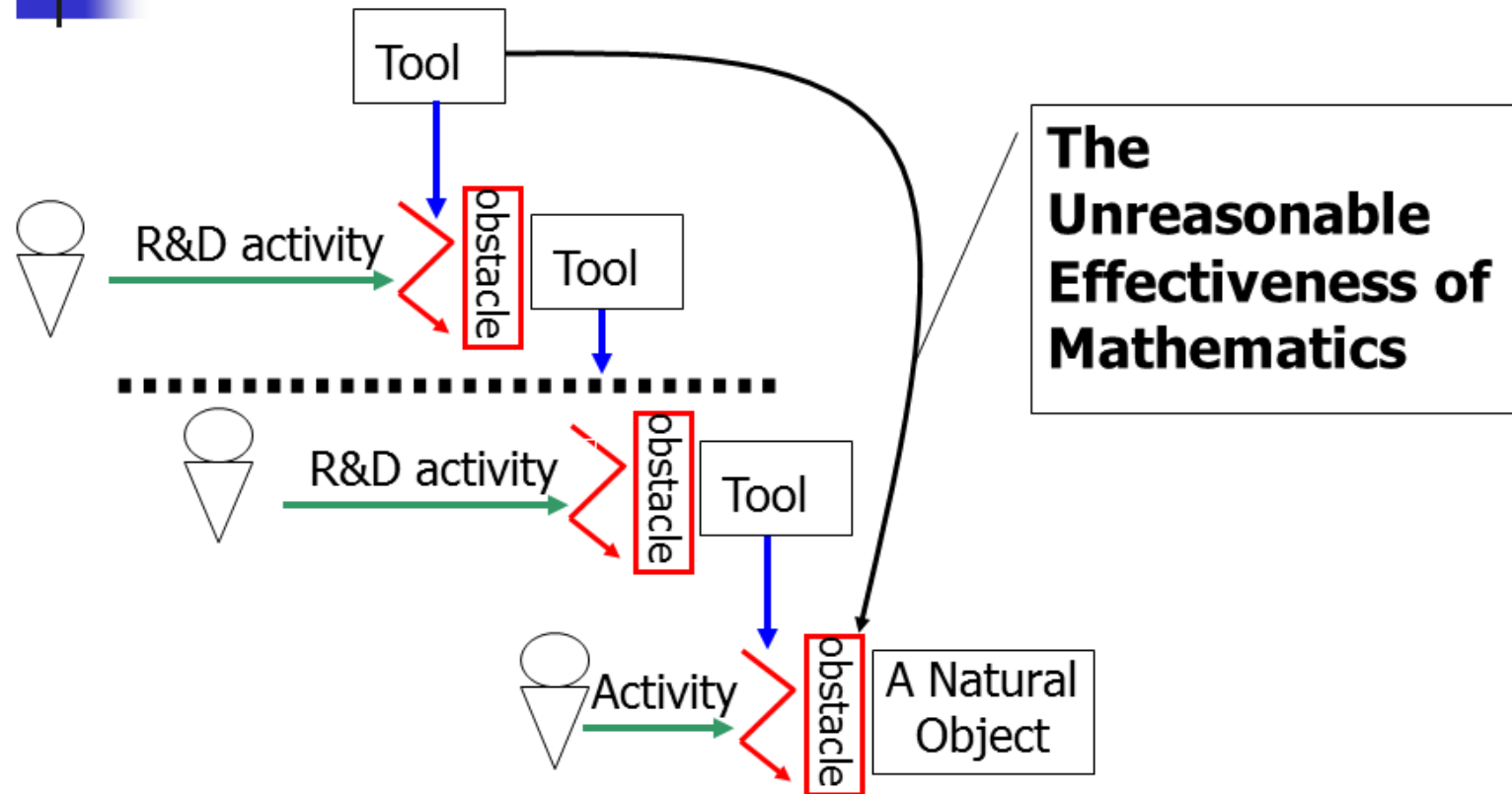
"Minimal Cell": to construct a mathematical computational cell model, based on the first principles, that will demonstrate the characteristic behavior of a cell.

"Morphogenesis model": from cell to organism, computational modeling of embryological development of organism's structure.

"Artificial Brain": to construct a model of brain and living creature, that will demonstrate conscience and freedom of will.

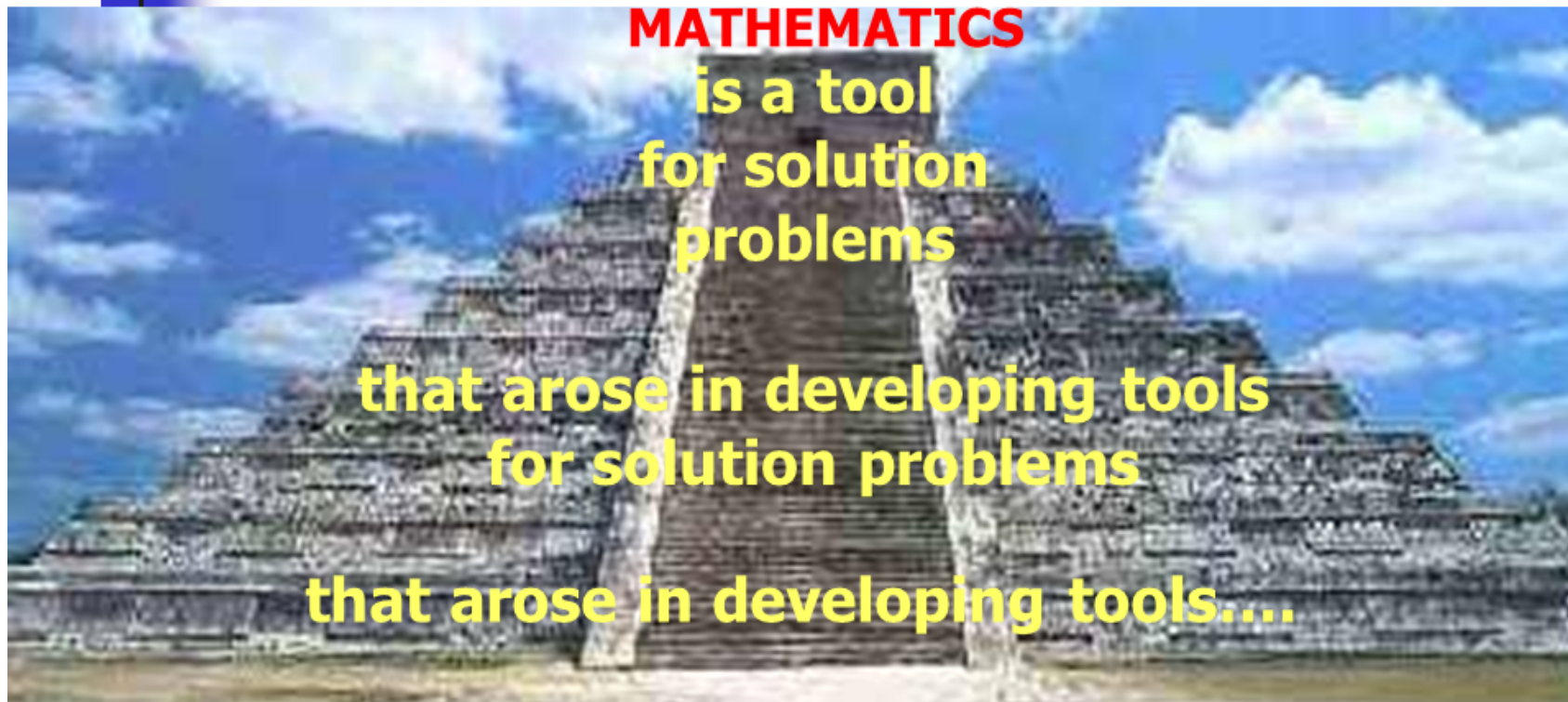


The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Mathematics in the Natural Sciences





Mathematics develops
as a gradual ascent
on stairs of abstractions



MATHEMATICS

is a tool
for solution
problems

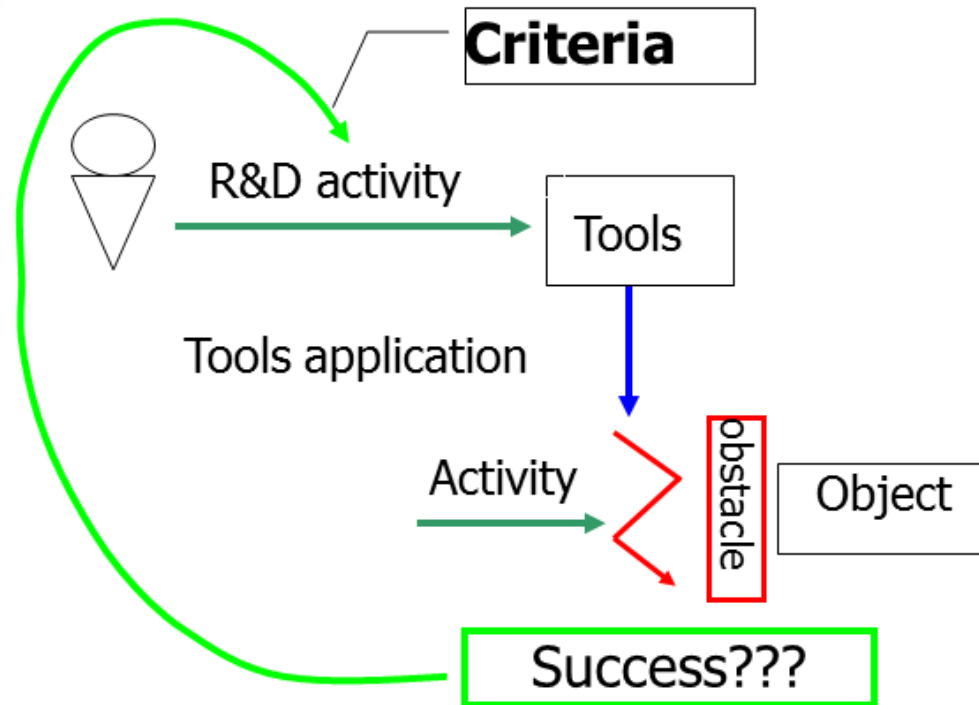
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that arose in developing tools....

**It is not a miracle, that such a tool for tools, metatool
or megatool can be effective downstairs.**



The double vision of applied mathematics





And where is tomorrow's mainstream?



In the big ship of the past?



Or in the change of era?





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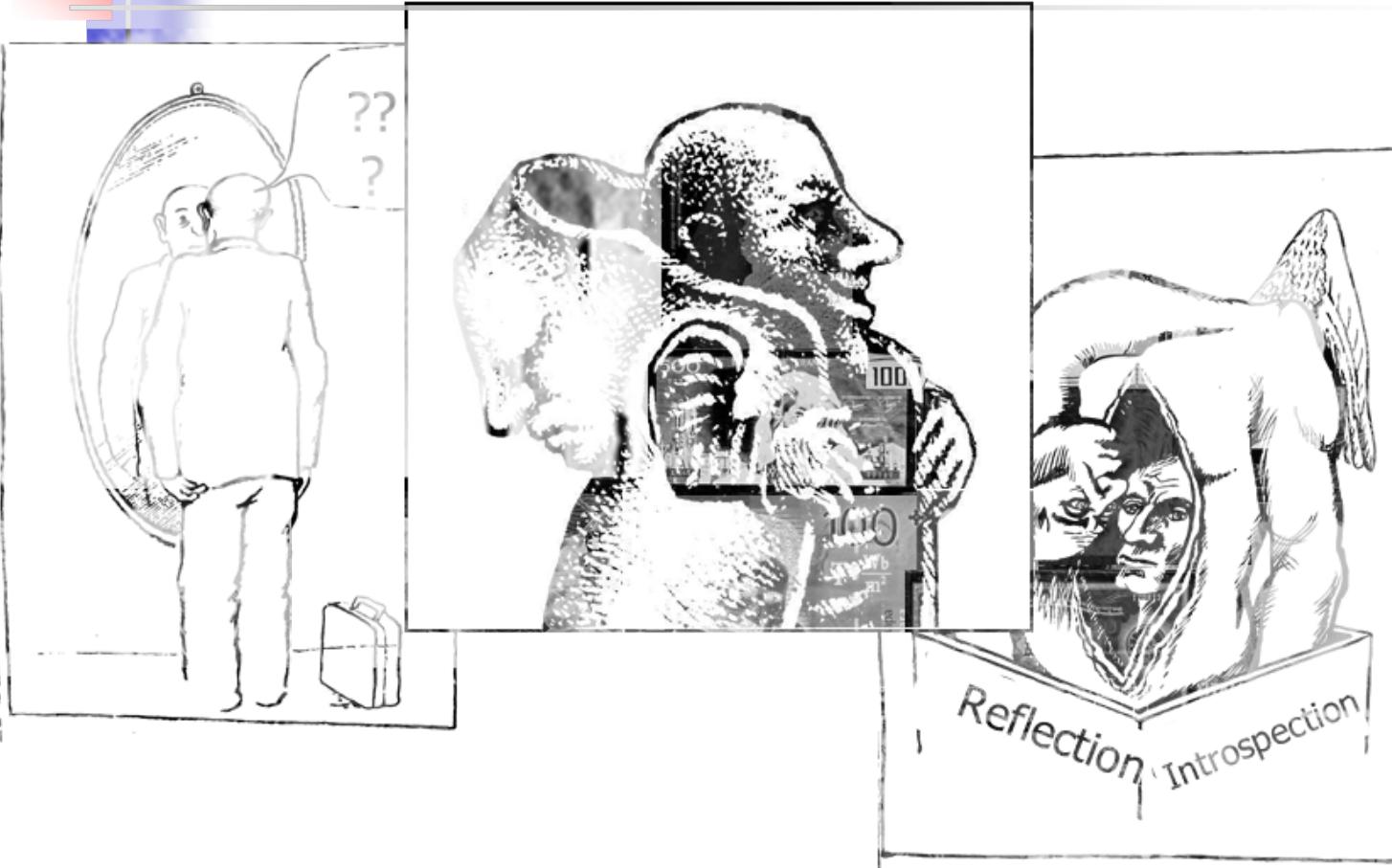


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