#### Chaos, Complexity & Christianity

# 9. The central plea from the bell at infinity

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#### Summary

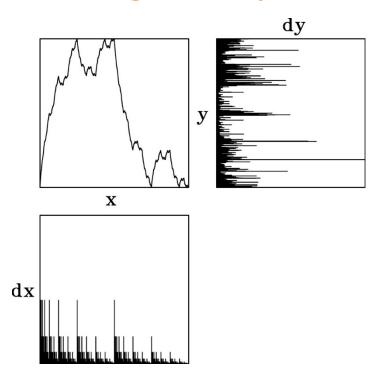
- Illustrates some key Biblical events as "transitions" from disorder to order.
- Recalls images of sublime love, including the Most Holy Trinity.
- Identifies "mountains" as symbolic of incomplete imitations by the devil.
- Reminds us that divine love ought to be accepted in plenitude.
- Shows that peace and joy are only found in our abandonment to the positive cross.
- Shares the joy of the Psalmist in the ever-present designs of God.
- Explains our ultimate freedom in Jesus Christ.

## From previous lessons

(Puente, 2003, 2011, 2020a,b,c,e)

#### **Based on fractal wires**

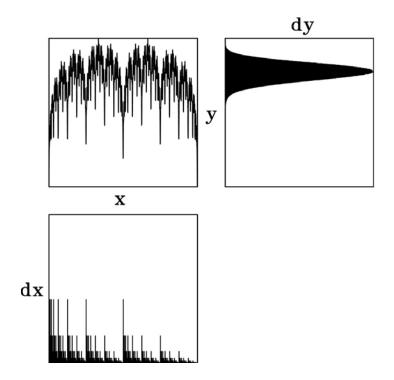
iterating two simple rules



a *wire* transforms dx into dy a *Platonic model* of natural complexity

## A bell at infinity

case + +, adding unity by the middle

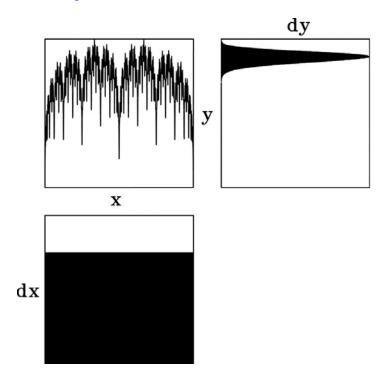


transforms dissipation into singular conduction

a universal result for a non-discrete dx, but only in the unitive limit

## The Most Holy Trinity

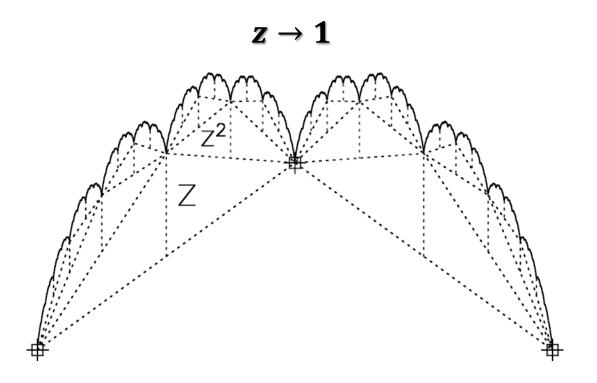
the perfection of 0, 1 and  $\infty$ 



the coherent case of **highest dimension** dreamt wisdom based on Y = X

## The angelical Holy Spirit

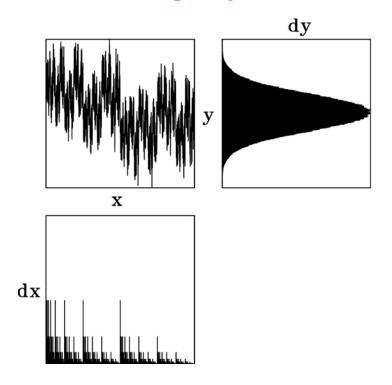
a positive symphony



decidedly and with **love**, **1** = **0.999**..., towards **infinity** the amazing **unity** of the **Holy Spirit**!

#### Pitiful finite imitations

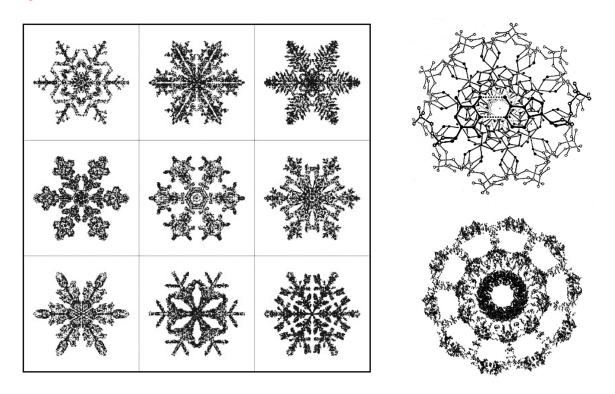
cases that go up and down



although in the limit there appear bells, their centers are finite such transformations, including the negative, do not take to heaven

#### The designs of the bell

perishable limit cases in more dimensions



beautiful patterns dot by dot making up kaleidoscopes a blind watchman? really?

## Some citations by themes

(New American Bible, 1991, 1986, 1970)

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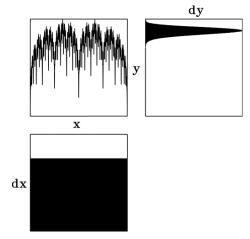
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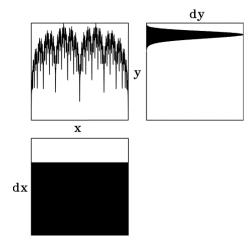
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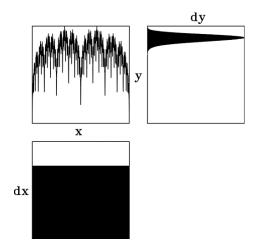
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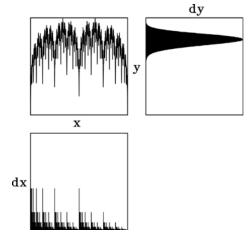


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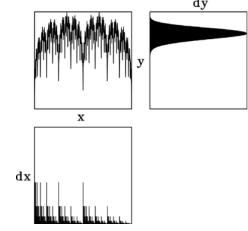
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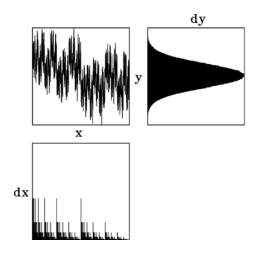
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- As the **Psalmist** shares, "**Lord**, your love reaches to *heaven*, your fidelity, to the *clouds*. How precious is your love, **O God**! We take refuge in the *shadow of your wings*" (Ps 36:6,8), i.e., the *angel wings* of case ++: (!)

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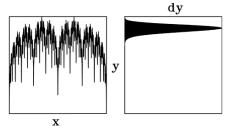
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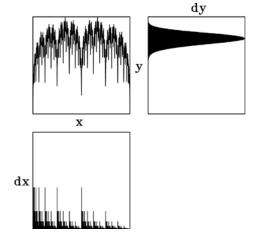
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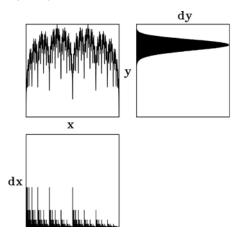
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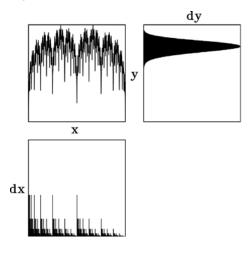


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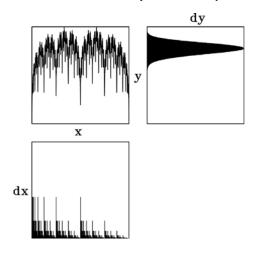


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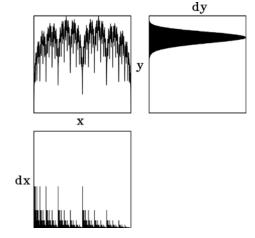
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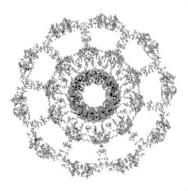
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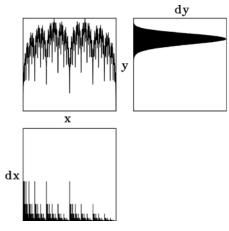


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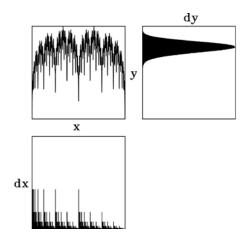
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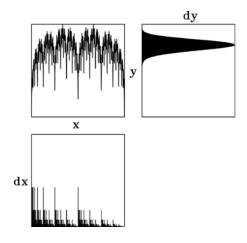
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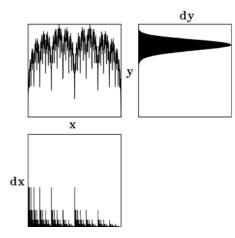
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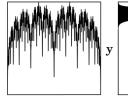
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A day is arriving with powerful voice.

Here come the 9's helping us to grow.

O heaven spreads its truth all along.

Here come the 9's weaving a whole song.

O come down the tree, it is the best choice.

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For there is solution, the bell gives a gong. Here come the 9's weaving a whole song.

O listen my friend in love let's rejoice. Here come the 9's helping us to grow.

O love everybody in truth, we all belong. Here come the 9's weaving a whole song.

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#### a cappella in Spanish

...Well, here we reiterated the invitation to love in the essential freedom of life without death, as granted by Jesus Christ.

In our next encounter we shall see an original symbolic translation of the celebrated passage of the Vine and the branches (Jn 15:1-10) that gives rise to other lovely surprises.

Until next time...

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