

# The Simple Geometry of Peace

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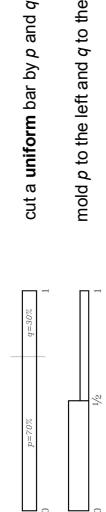
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**Abstract.** The last few decades have witnessed the development of a host of ideas aimed at understanding and predicting nature's ever present complexity, including the one induced by the power of the air. This poster explains how the notion of multiplicative cascades, as used to accurately model fully developed turbulence, provides a suitable framework for visualizing the dynamics and consequences of mankind's ever present divisive traits, comprising our historical propensity to violence and the pervasive wealth inequalities and poverty present in the world today. It is argued that we may learn from the simple repetitive ways of turbulence in order to avoid the ultimately deadly consequences of corruption and greed; for it is shown that all power-law Pareto distributions, describing inequalities within and among nations, share the same dissipation implicit in the power-law Richardson distribution of wars and in all of nature's divisive distributions, such as those in earthquakes and avalanches, that are suitably named "devil's staircases." Via a rich imagery it is illustrated that the ancient maxims "cutting the mountains and filling the valleys" and "love one another" indeed qualify the only economical solution regarding peace for all, which may also be described by the geometric proverb "the hypotenuse of the pathway of peace."

## The Breaking of Wholeness

Multiplicative cascades may be used to study fragmentation. Let's review.

### A chain of imbalances:



repeat on each piece

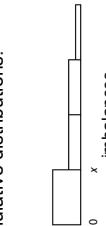
again with same proportions

after few levels there are many "thorns" arranged by layers

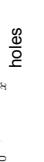
cut a uniform bar by the middle

mold pieces leaving a hole

process generates equal thorns that emanate from dust



Cumulative distributions:



- The two cascades are intimately related: varying the hole size yields the structure of all layers on the multifractal given by the chain of imbalances.

## The Ruler of the Air and of the World

The cascade of imbalances is related to natural turbulence:

eddies, shaped as negative spirals running from + to - and carrying 70 and 30% of the energy, form a cascade until **dissipation**

$$2/3 = 0.666\dots$$

Cascades help us visualize the world's political systems:

discrimination forced equality

walls of distrust collapse

This is no joke for dissipation happens:

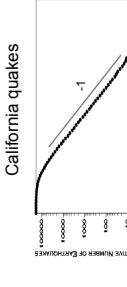
a warning to reigning system:  $\rho = 0.7$  and  $n = 20$  levels is a close fit to inequalities in USA

Cascades may fit the skewed Pareto distributions in the world:



2/3 in poverty today

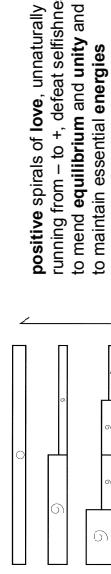
Other heavy tailed distributions of violence:



- Cumulative distributions are **devil's staircases** with maximum lengths, irrespective of the magnitude of imbalances and the size of holes.
- The two cascades are intimately related: varying the hole size yields the structure of all layers on the multifractal given by the chain of imbalances.

## The Unique and Faithful Solution

Common sense suggests reversing the cascade:



This is also found from "cutting the mountains and filling the valleys."

Y = X

straight ramp

Such simple geometry symbolizes **Jesus Christ**, the salvation of God.

The **Hypotenuse**, without **dust and thorns**, is the **pathway of peace**.

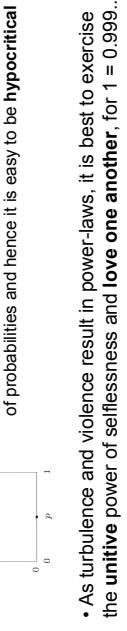
In the simple equation  $Y = X$  we may see Jesus' silhouette in the cross.

"I am the way, the truth and the life and no one comes to the **Father** except through me."

a veritable deception arriving at the Origin

There is darkness from 6 to 9 as in the eclipse at Jesus' crucifixion.

It is easier for a camel to pass by the eye of a needle:



- As turbulence and violence result in power-laws, it is best to exercise the unitive power of selflessness and **love one another**, for  $1 = 0.999\dots$
- Conversion, towards the perfection of zero sin, is also key for  $x^0 = 1$ .

**References:**  
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