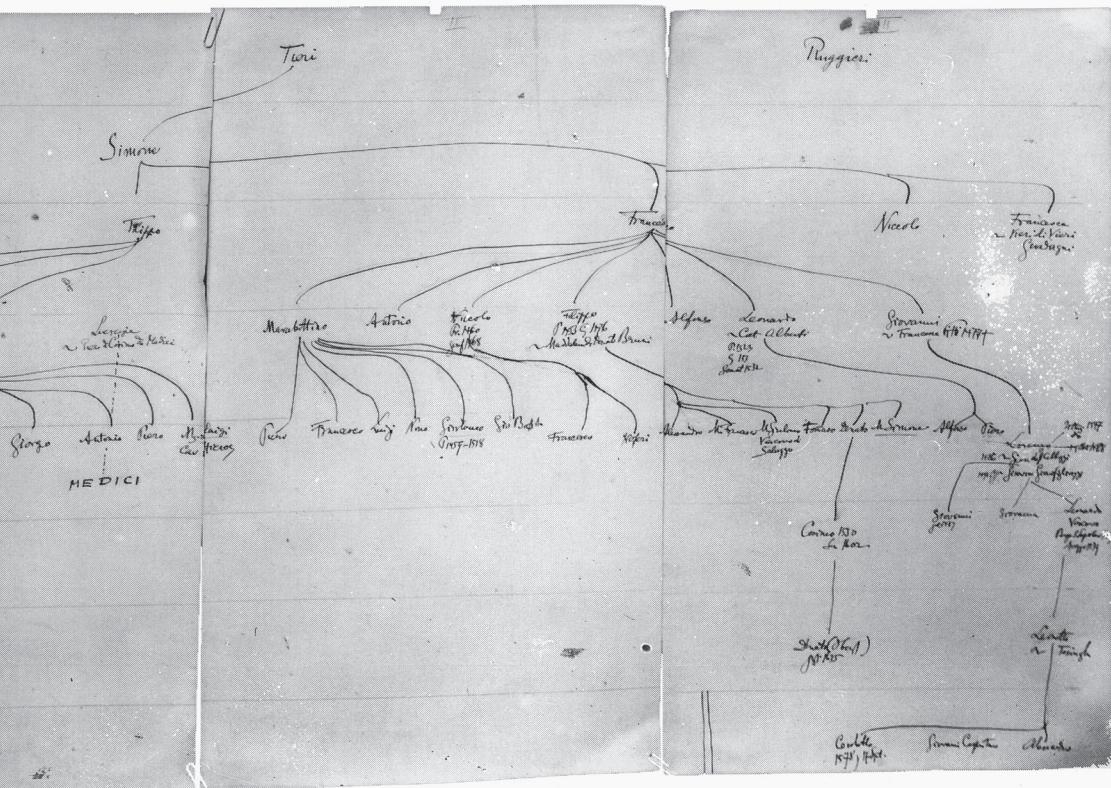


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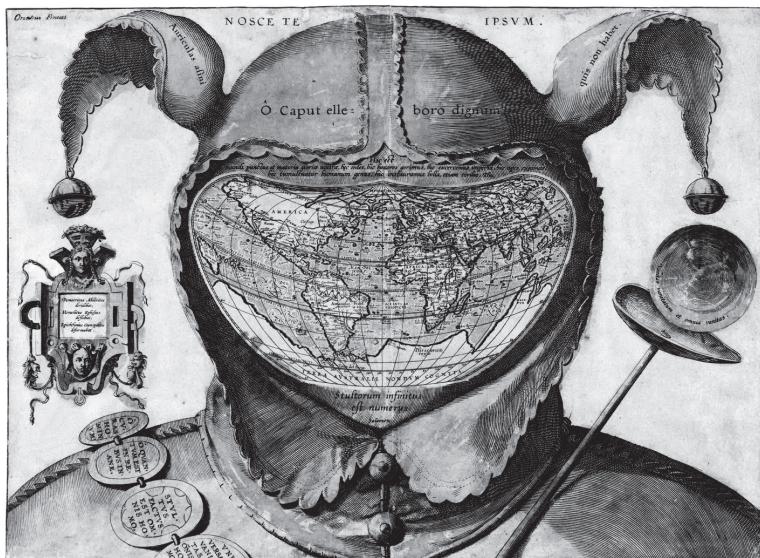
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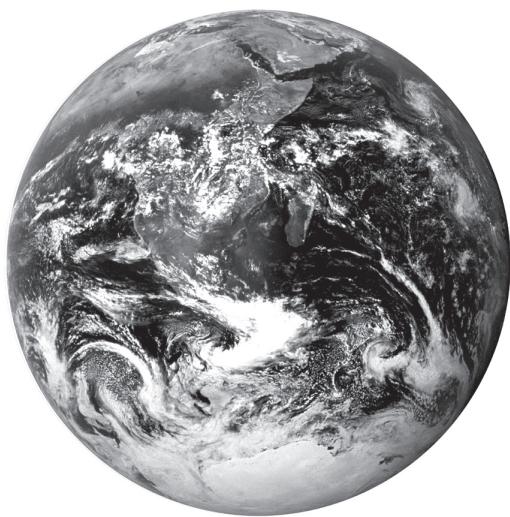


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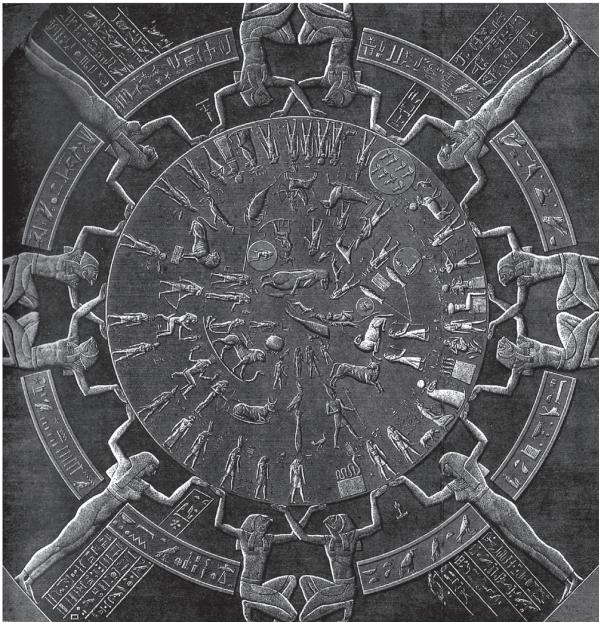


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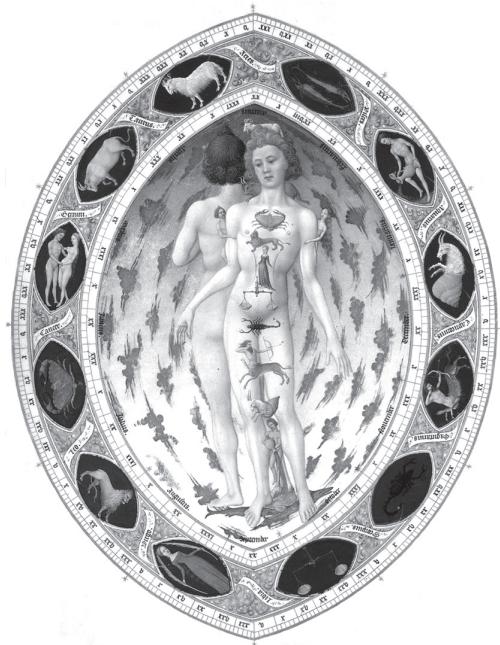
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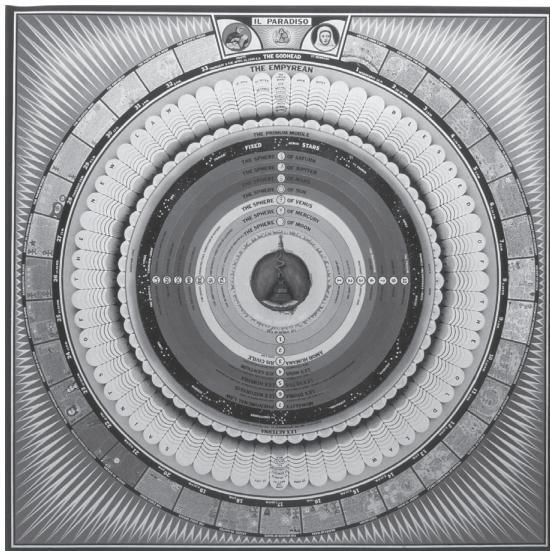
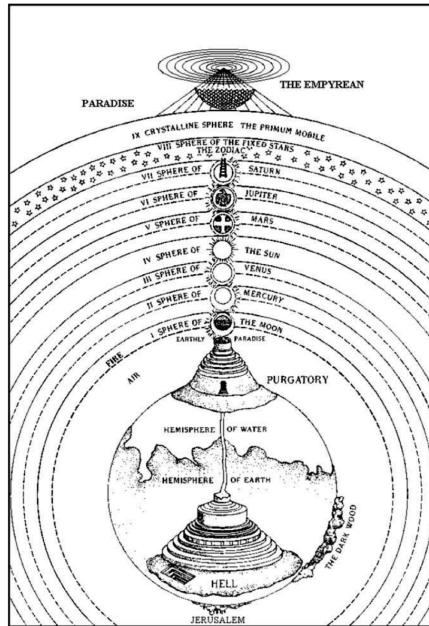


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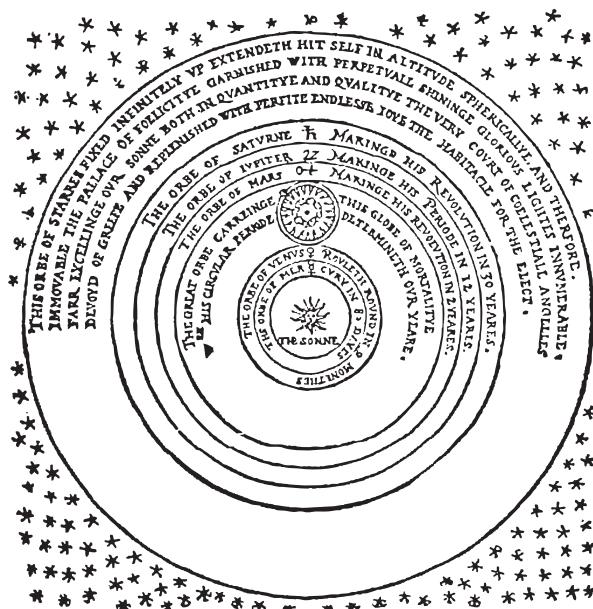
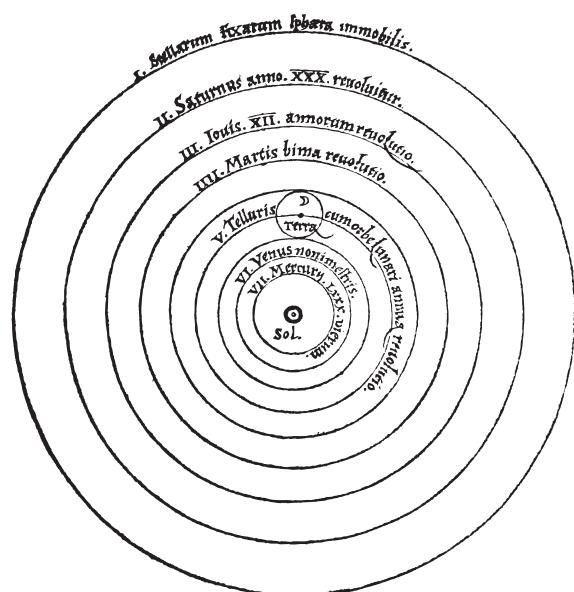
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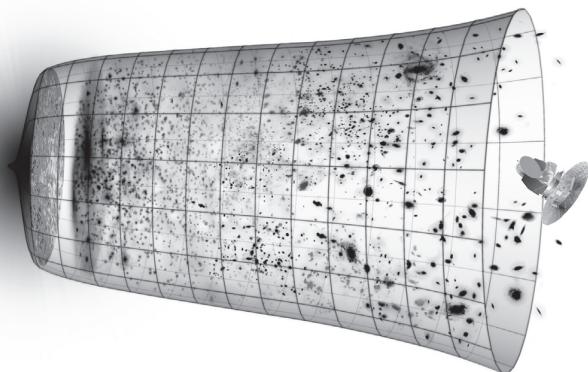
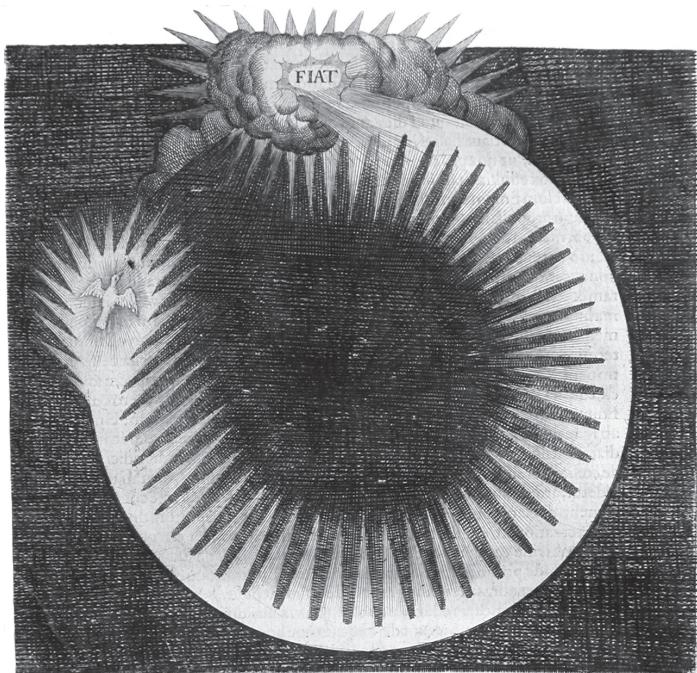
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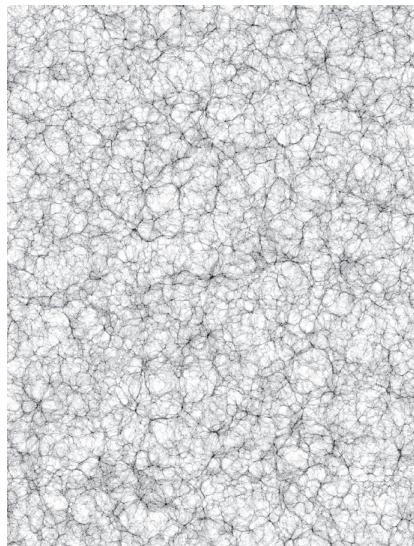
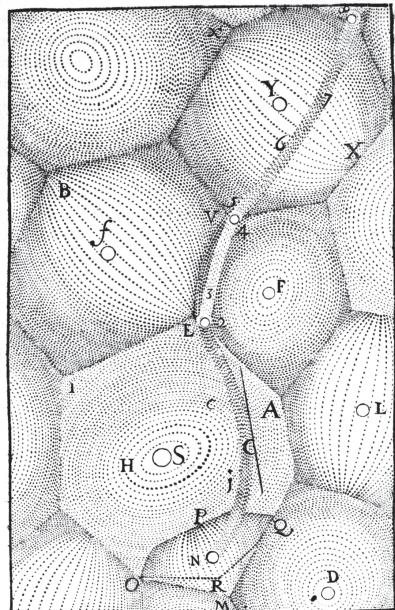
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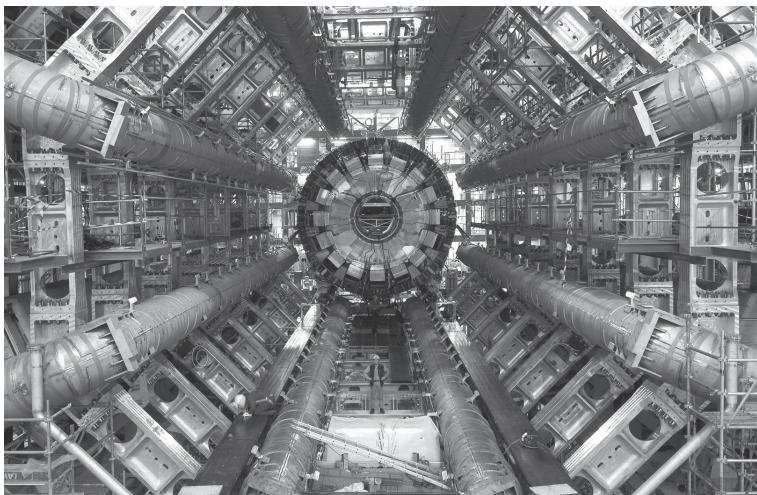
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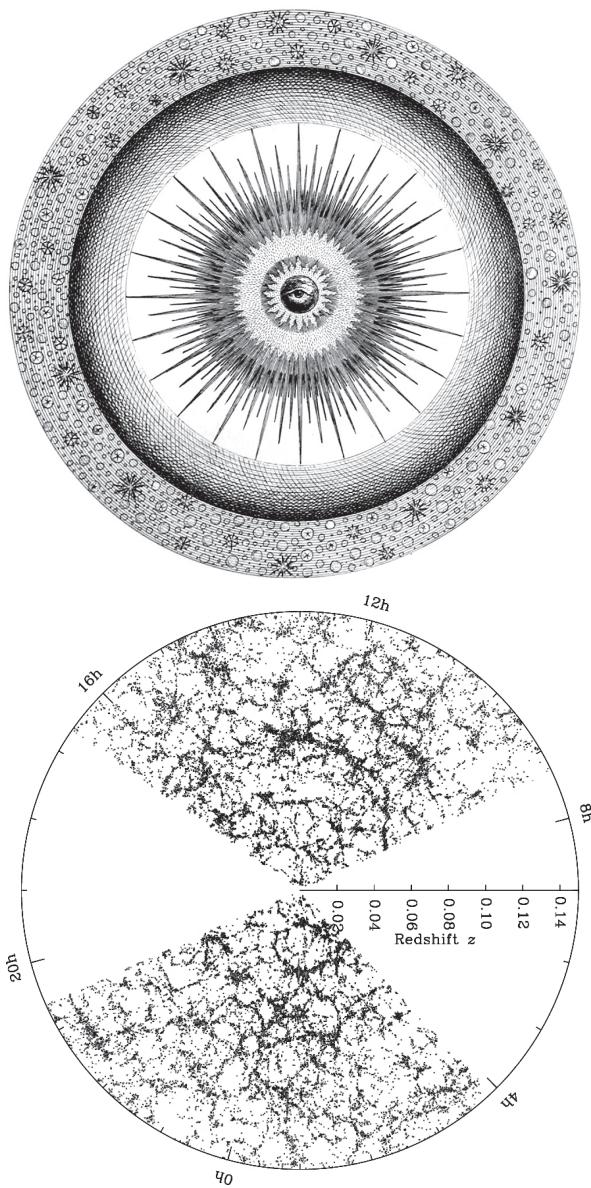
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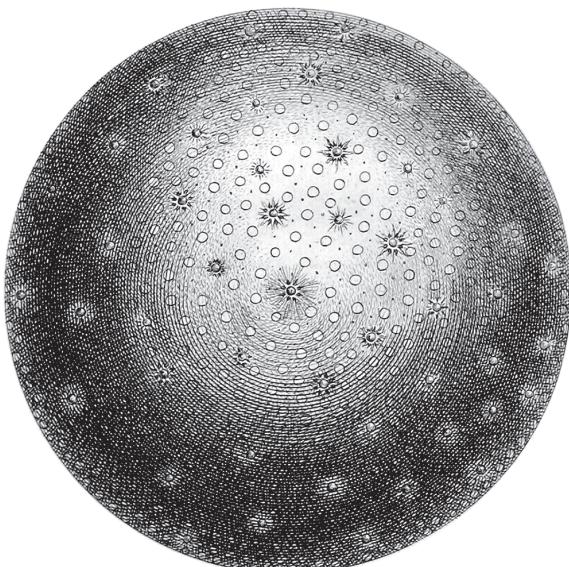
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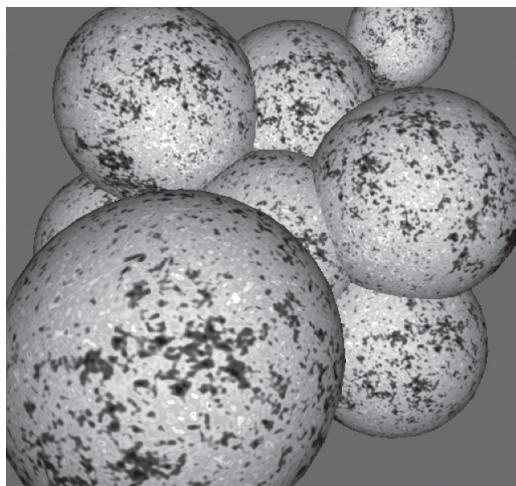
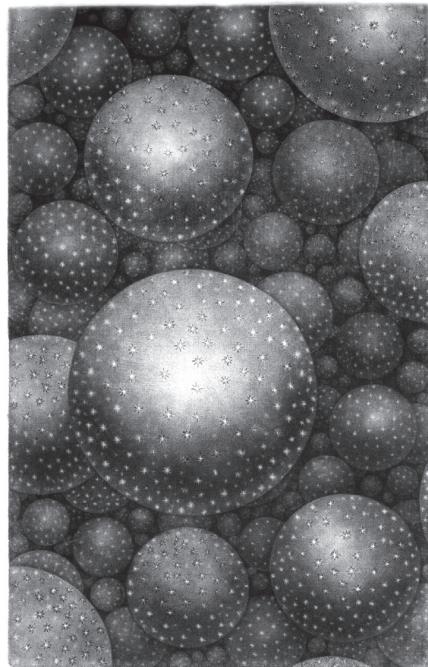
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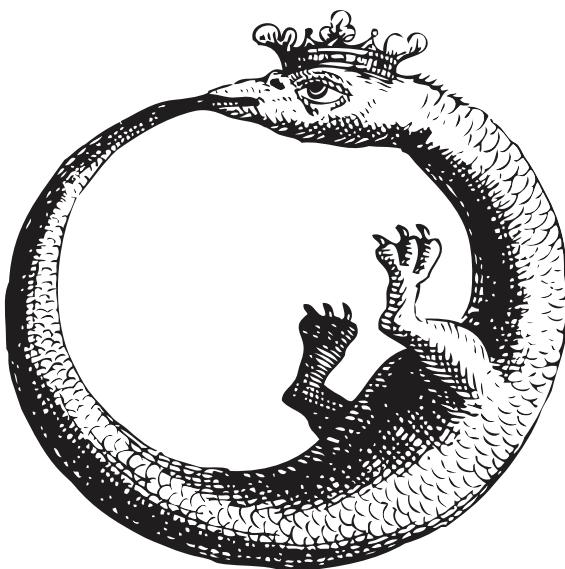
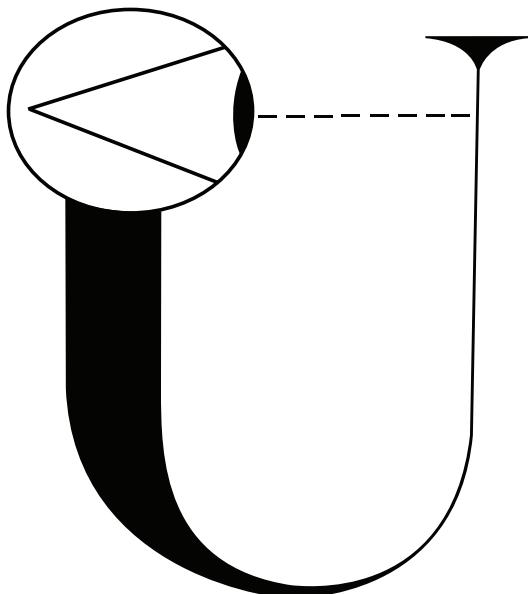
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or a finite View of Reality*  
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for Different Observers*  
James Sweitzer  
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*The Universe as self-excited circuit*  
John Archibald Wheeler  
1980

*Ouroboros*  
R. Abraham Eleazaris  
1760

*the world partly becomes  
comes to be  
how it is imagined*

Gregory Bateson

*The Universe by definition is everything  
and includes us experiencing and thinking about it.*

*The universes are the models of the Universe  
that we construct to explain our observations and experiences.*

Edward Harrison

*If we could start with Universe, we would automatically avoid  
leaving out any strategically critical variables.*

R. Buckminster Fuller

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