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"Innumerable suns exist  
Innumerable earths revolve around these suns  
in a manner similar to the way the  
planets revolve around sun.  
Living beings inhabit these worlds"

Giordano Bruno, 1584

Barrow - Tipler                      British School

Carter, Hawking, Carr, Rees

Banks, Linde, Weinberg, Vilenkin

Rees, Tegmark

Barr, Donoghue, Seckel

Bousso, Polchinski

Kachru, Kallosh, Linde, Trivedi ; Douglas

S. Thomas etc ; L. Susskind ; Banks-Dine-Gorbata

Kallosh, Kratochvil, Linde, Lindner, Shmakova ;

Garriga, Linde, Vilenkin

with

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## Why Anthropic ?

- Successful approach to both CC Ps .  
"predicted"  $\rho_{vac}$  to within  $\sim 100$  .
- If a good approach, it should predict more.
- What is its domain of applicability ?
- Can it be applied to problems which have standard explanations e.g., symmetries ?
- To the hierarchy problem? instead of SUSY ?
- Fermion Masses ?

L. J. Henderson

The fitness of the environment:  
An inquiry into the Biological significance  
of the properties of Matter

date ?

fear of

Premature Application

apply it to the Fundamental Theory

not an Effective Theory

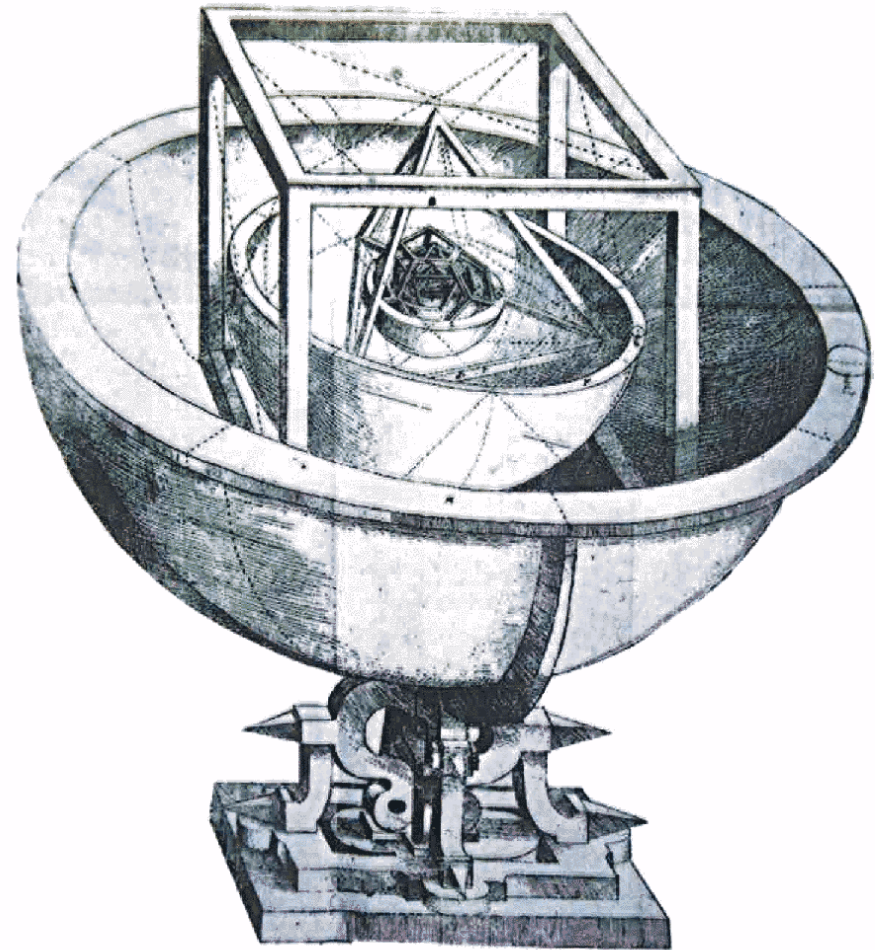
do not know beforehand

favor theories which produce a multiverse

## OUTLINE

- 1) Multiverse ~~Hypothesis~~ Reasoning
- 2) Applications to Dark Energy, Electroweak Scale and beyond.
- 3) Multiverse Relation between the cosmological constant and gauge hierarchy problems.

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## Kepler's model

To Kepler, the six planets (Copernican paradigm) orbited crystalline spheres. The thickness of a sphere was the minimum to contain the elliptical orbit of its planet. The five gaps between these six concentric spheres were spaced by the Platonic solids.

Gap #1: Saturn/Jupiter, the cube  
harmonic ratio =  $\sqrt{3} \approx 1.732$

Gap #2: Jupiter/Mars, the tetrahedron  
harmonic ratio = 3

Gap #3: Mars/Earth, the dodecahedron  
harmonic ratio  $\approx 1.258$

Gap #4: Earth/Venus, the icosahedron  
harmonic ratio  $\approx 1.258$

Gap #5: Venus/Mercury, the octahedron  
harmonic ratio =  $\sqrt{3} \approx 1.732$

in Kepler's : distances are predicted

Newton's theory disappointing.

is "giving up"

distances are historical accidents.

Liquid  $H_2O$  a miracle  $\nabla$   
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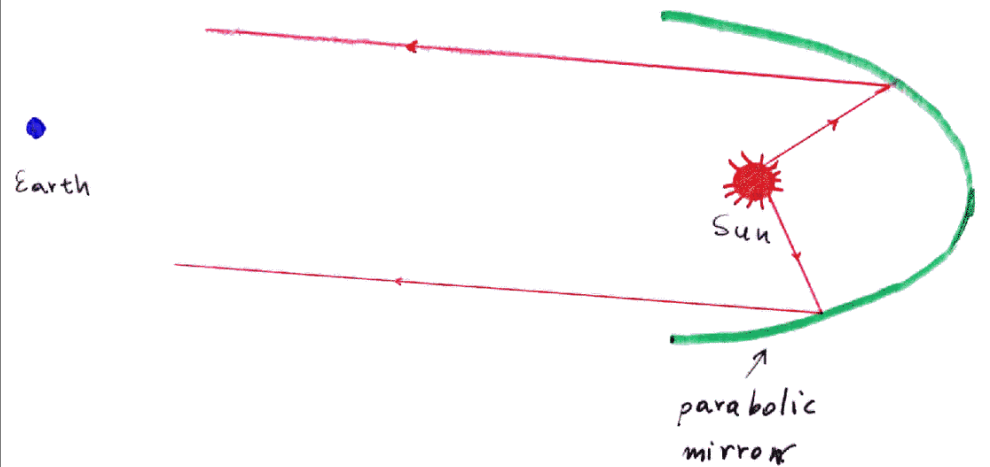
Some predictivity maintained  
if:

- (1) There are many planets
- (2) Habitable planets must contain  $H_2O$  liquid
- (3) We live in a "typical" habitable planet

$\Rightarrow$  Earth-Sun distance can be computed!

(3) is crucial for anthropic predictivity

If Earth is "atypical" habitable planet,  
anthropic predictivity is lost.



average properties irrelevant for us ; auroras

need  $\begin{cases} \nearrow & \text{providence} \\ & \text{or} \\ \searrow & \text{dynamics} \end{cases}$

Generalization:

Planet  $\longrightarrow$  Universe

(1) There are many Universes

"Multiverse" (e.g. big bangs, vacua)

(2) Habitable Universes require X

(3) Ours is a typical habitable Universe

$\Rightarrow$  predict Y in our universe

if Y fails, look for symmetries, dynamics

Examples:

(1) X = galaxies

$$Y = \rho_{\text{vacuum}} < \sim 10^2 \rho_{\text{observed}}$$

w  
↓

(2) X = H and heavy atoms

$$Y = \sim m_u, m_d, \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

(3) X =  $^{12}\text{C}$

$$Y = \alpha, m_u, m_d, \dots \pm \text{few \%}$$

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(4) X =  $\sim p$  stability

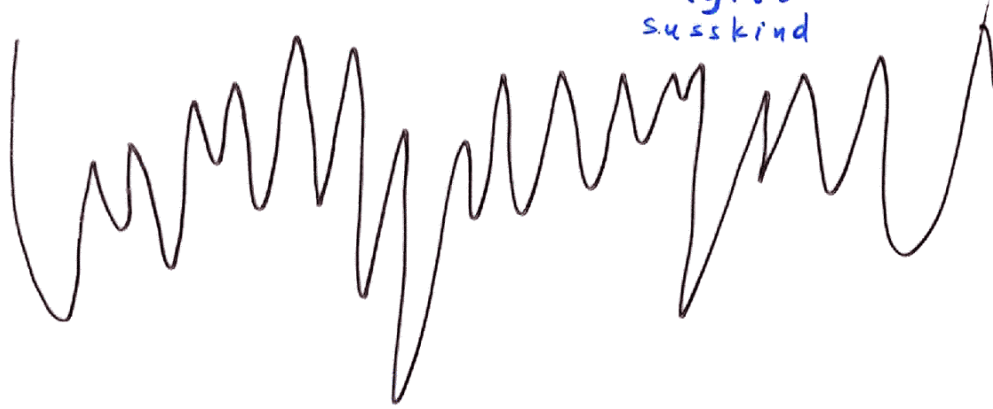
$$Y = \tau_{\text{proton}} \gtrsim 10^{16} \text{ years}$$

vs

It fails!  $\Rightarrow$  need  $\begin{cases} \text{symmetry} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{dynamics} \end{cases}$   
 we do not "live dangerously"

# Discretuum

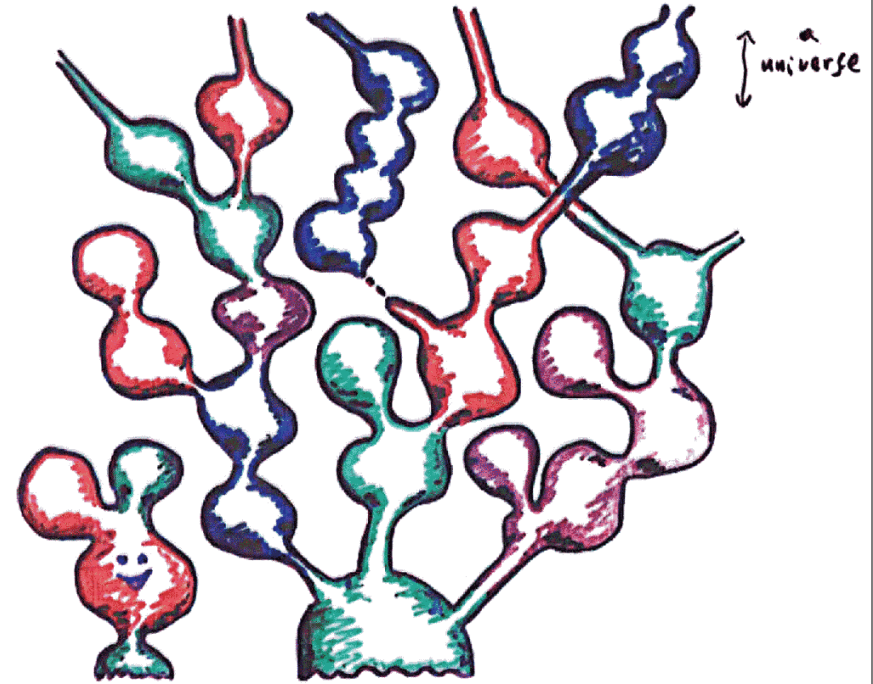
L. Abbott  
 Banks, Dine, Seiberg  
 Bousso-Polchinski  
 Kachru et. al.  
 Douglas  
 Susskind



"dense"  
 metastable

"Prediction":  $w = -1$

# Chaotic Multiverse



THE UNIVERSE  
 as it is

thanks to A. Linde



## Anthropic Reasoning

1) Is it predictive? YES

(a)  $\rho_{\text{vacuum}}$

"Principle of living dangerously"

(b)  $W(Z)$  to be tested at SNAP

(c) if applied to the GHP  $\Rightarrow$

LHC will see just the Higgs

$v$  determined by  $\exists$  atoms;  $^{12}\text{C}$ ; pp...

(Also, predictivity overrated, e.g. Darwin's theory has explanatory power ...)

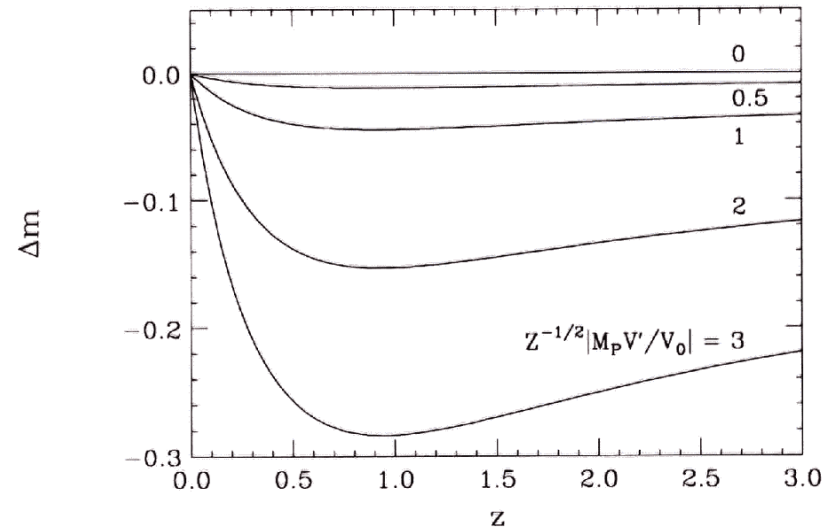
2) Do we have to give up the successes of SGUTs?

## SNAP

S. Thomas et al.

R. Kallosh et al.

Garriga et al.



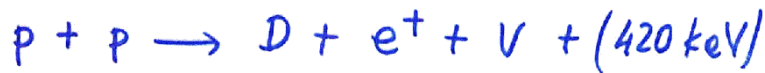
### Existence of Atoms

$$0 < \underbrace{m_n - m_p}_{1.5 \text{ MeV}} - m_e < E_{\text{binding}} \approx 8 \text{ MeV}$$

$\uparrow$  H-stable  $\downarrow \nu \downarrow$   
 $\downarrow .5 \text{ MeV}$   $\uparrow$  others stable  $\nu \uparrow$

Deuteron bottleneck:

$$E_{\text{binding}} \sim 2.2 \text{ MeV}$$

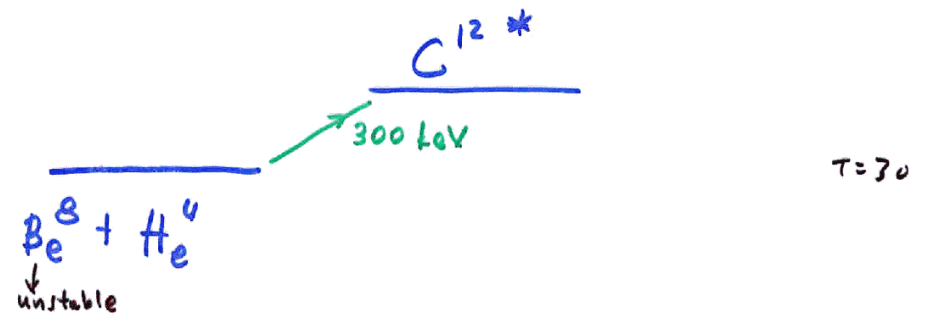


$$m_{\nu}^2 \propto \nu \frac{\langle qq \rangle}{f_{\pi}^2}$$

### Existence of the SUN

### EXISTENCE OF CARBON

Hoyle  
Salpeter



oberkumer

$\nu$  tightly determined by anthropics

What quantities are Anthropic?

Possibility

?

————  $M_{PL}$

————  $M_{GUT}$   $g_1, g_2, g_3, \lambda_t, \lambda_b, \lambda_\tau$   
 "Large parameters": <sup>Symmetries</sup> Successful

Rest Messy Numbers experimentally.

$$\frac{\lambda \langle \Phi \rangle}{M_{PL}} \bar{e} \in H$$

————  $\rightarrow$  discreteness dependent?

AND Theoretically very sensitive to Planckian Physics!

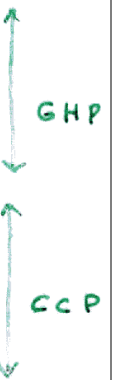
SYMMETRIES + ANTHROPIC!  
 heavy light

Mystery of the Equidistant Scales

————  $M_{PL}$

————  $M_W = M_{DM}$

————  $\rho_{vac}^{1/4}$



$$\rho_{vac}^{1/4} \approx \frac{M_W^2}{M_{PL}}$$

Deep ?

## Anthropic relation of cosmological constant and gauge hierarchy problems.

if both  $\rho_{vac}^{1/4}$  and  $M_w$  are variable,

⇒

Structure formation (galaxies) requires:

$$\rho_{vac}^{1/4} \lesssim \frac{M_w^2}{M_{PL}} \left(\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho}\right)^{3/4} \quad \text{!}$$

• Relation may not be deep, but anthropic.

• One problem instead of two  $\begin{cases} \nearrow \text{one dynamical} \\ \searrow \text{one anthropic} \end{cases}$

typical  $\sim$  "living dangerously"

$$\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho} \sim 10^{-5 \pm 1} \quad (\text{Rees, Tegmark})$$

Cooling; BHs ...; planetary orbits

## Derivation

decoupling  $n_d \sim \frac{T_d^2}{M_{PL}} \quad \begin{array}{c} m \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$

$$\frac{n_d}{n_\gamma} \sim \frac{1}{\pi\alpha^2} \frac{m}{M_{PL}}$$

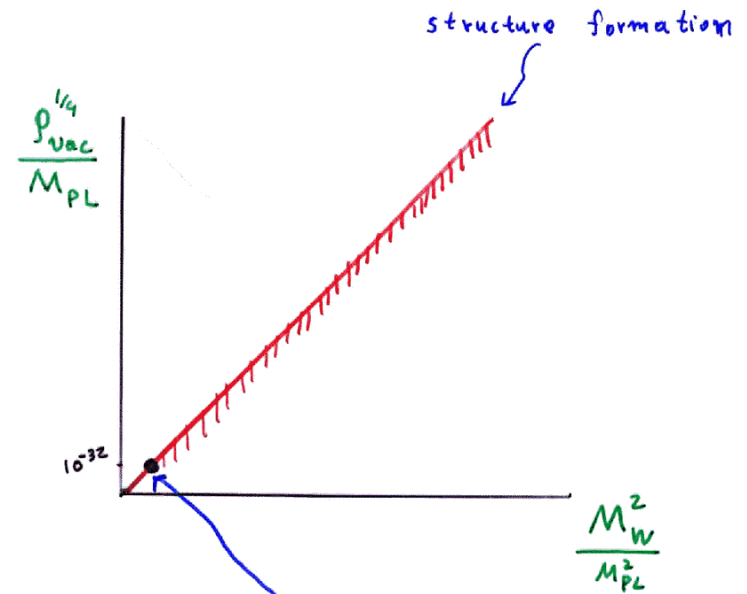
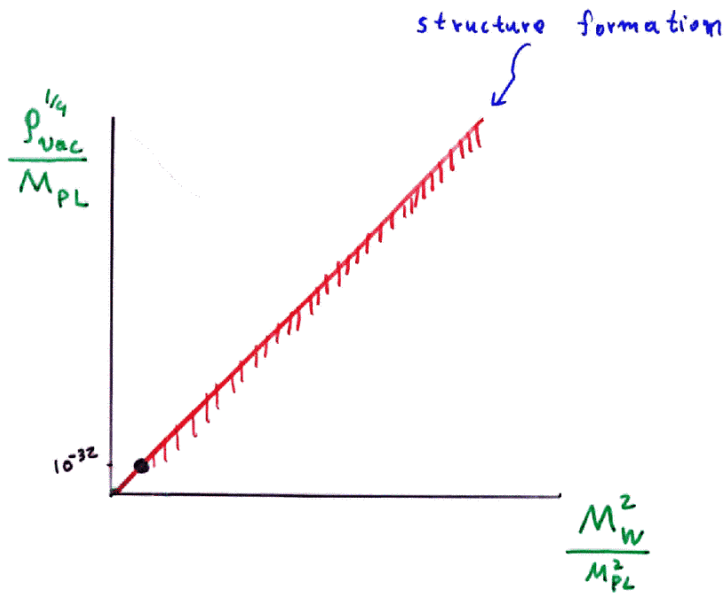
matter = radiation  $T_{m=r} \sim \frac{1}{\pi\alpha^2} \frac{m^2}{M_{PL}}$

$$\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho} \sim t^{2/3}$$

## galaxy formation

$$\rho_{\text{non-linear}} \sim \rho_{m=r} \left(\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho}\right)^3$$

$$\rightarrow \rho_{\text{non-linear}}^{1/4} \sim \frac{m^2}{M_{PL}} \frac{(\delta\rho/\rho)^{3/4}}{(\pi\alpha^2)}$$



Moving up ( $M_{PL}$  down) is vastly favored by the  
CCP

Tighten habitability criteria ...

$H =$  stars

but stars still form if

$$t_{\text{cool}} \sim \frac{1}{\rho} \sim M_{\text{PL}}^4 < t_{\text{grav.}} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{G\rho}} \sim M_{\text{PL}}^3$$

star lifetime shorter  $t_{\star} \sim M_{\text{PL}}^2$

Still, can live near a low mass red star

$$0.08 M_{\odot}$$

Normally  $t_{\star} \sim 10^{14}$  years, so

$M_{\text{PL}}$  can drop by 100, and still have  $t_{\star} \sim 10^{10}$  years

Preferred by  $\sim (100)^4 \sim 10^8$

Furthermore, living near a star is unnecessary:

Can live on a "lonely planet" powered by:

1) Internal radioactive heating. (Earth)

e.g. thermophiles at deep-sea vents, ancestors to all life?

2) Tidal deformations (Europa)

Lonely Planets give ample opportunity for complex structures to form.

allow  $M_{\text{PL}}$  to drop by  $\sim 10^4$

avored by  $10^{16}$

a challenge for anthropics

Why are we so atypical?

Why is gravity so much weaker than it needs to be?

Atypical  $\rightarrow$  missing crucial dynamics

anthropic predictivity lost

(e.g.  $\chi_{\text{proton}}$ )

p-stability

Possibilities:

Let  $\rho(\rho_{\text{vac}}^{1/4}, m_w)$  = density of states

$$(1) \rho \sim \delta(\rho_{\text{vac}}^{1/4} - \text{meV}) \delta(m_w - \text{TeV}),$$

no need for anthropics

$$(2) \rho \sim \delta(m_w - \text{TeV}); \text{ can use anthropics to set } \rho_{\text{vac}}.$$

$$(3) \rho \sim \frac{1}{m^2}$$

$$\rightarrow N(m_w) = \int_0^{\frac{m^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}} d\Lambda \rho(\Lambda, m_w) = \text{constant} \rightarrow \dots$$

$$m_w \sim e^{-\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

(4) ...

• They demand a huge amount of dynamics

•  $\mathcal{P}$  recasts the CCP problem in a new form

$$\rho(\Lambda, m_w) = \frac{d}{d\Lambda} \log F + \frac{d}{d\Lambda} (\Lambda \log G) \frac{1}{m^2}$$

$$F = F(\Lambda, m_w) \quad ; \quad G = G(\Lambda, m_w) \quad \text{polynomial} \\ \text{(non-exponential)}$$

## Conclusions

### The Multiverse

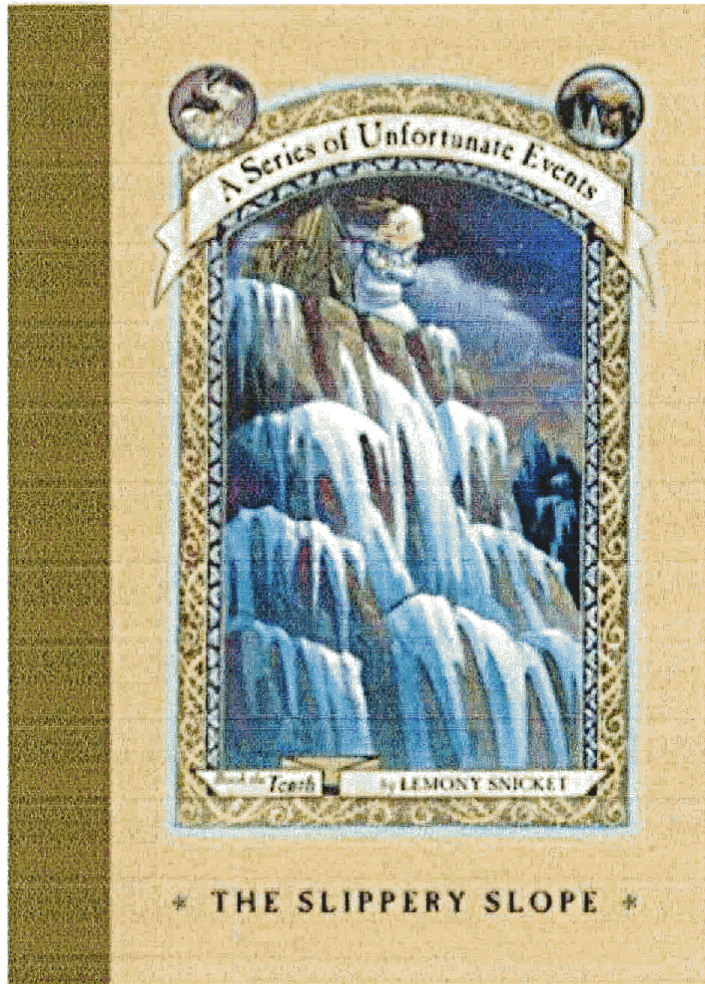
(1) May relate parameters,  
reducing the number of independent problems!

(2) Recasts old problems, broadens possible approaches.  
e.g., new forms of  $\rho(x, y, \dots)$

BUT

(3) The challenges for these novel approaches  
remain enormous





Back to Work !