

Fred's Fantasias (FF)

A Recap at the Bifurcation of the Snowflake-Blueberry-Brain chao-Community (SBCC).

This will be a series of short commentaries on the Winter Chaos Conference, the annual reinstantiation of the SBCC. Based mainly on the 2013 conference, discussing perennial issues raised by some of the presentations and discussions.

It was clear we were getting to the point of needing regeneration or bifurcation, and Mark's challenges and my retirement as principal slave, provide the trigger of this bifurcation for both the regeneration and my emancipation, as joyful as our trajectory has been. It has supplied many creative juices, but also slowed down some of my creative writing at a time when I have am learning more, and writing and lecturing more. I find myself in my most productive and creative period, but also in a period which has its horizon. So here are my fantasies, which are also part of my growth process of learning and developing.

This will be the index page as I try to spin off some of these commentaries in the coming weeks. Commentaries by others sent to me I may incorporate as responses on the same FF page, or on their own XF page. These will be on blueberry-brain.org or for some, special links of their choosing.

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