### Socrates's Cave v2.0.

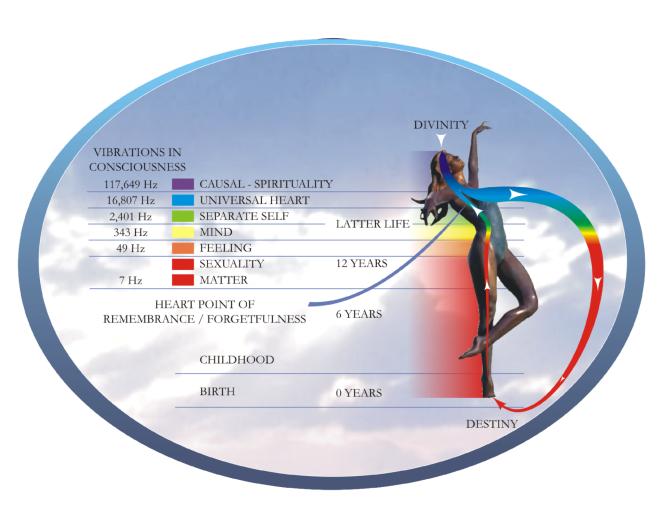
## 'The \$AUD10,000 Universe Challenge'!

'Do we dwell within matter, or consciousness'?

The perennial philosophy, with written texts, stretching for at least 5000 years, suggests our universe is an octet, structure of consciousness.

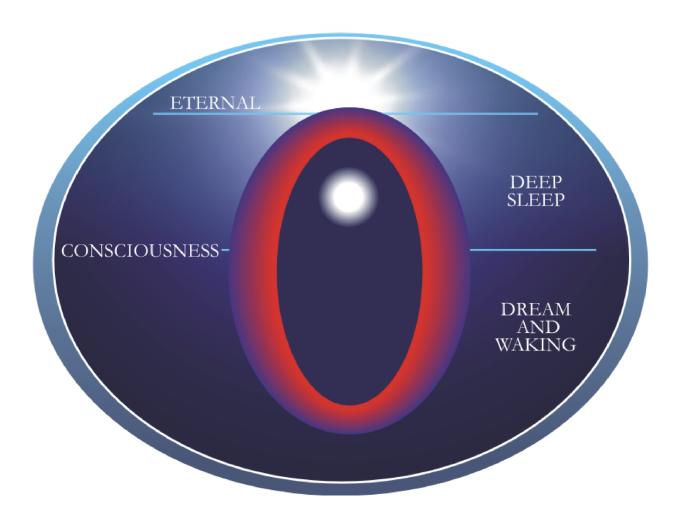
We can present this creation concept, within four images.

#### One, the Human Psyche.



Our 'games of life', our streams of 'identity', create personal journeys, as we descend, and ascend, within the octet, 'genie's bottle' of the physical body.

#### Two, our Universe.



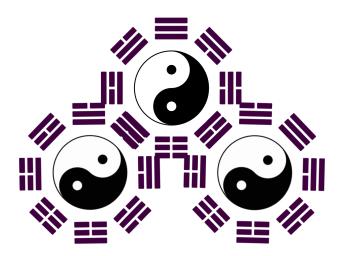
Within the Eternal dimension of Pure Awareness, there arise three dimensions of consciousness, those of Deep Sleep, Dream, and Waking. These dimensions are descending octaves, so our physical universe, in the waking dimension, forms only, 2.040816...%, within these three realms. Empirical science, names these dimensions, 'Dark Energy', 'Dark Matter', and our familiar physical universe, with the latter, comprising, 'less than 5%' of the creation fields.

#### Three, the input Formula for the cosmic fractal.



This Taoist Ba Gua, forms octets, in the four realms, those of matter, biology, psyche, and consciousness, such as the 64 codons of DNA, the atomic structure, the Periodic Table of elements, and the 'eight-fold Way' of sub-particle chromodynamics.

The Ba Gua formula, also creates the triple-octet, known as the transcendental, mathematical Pi concept, including the number, 3.1415926...

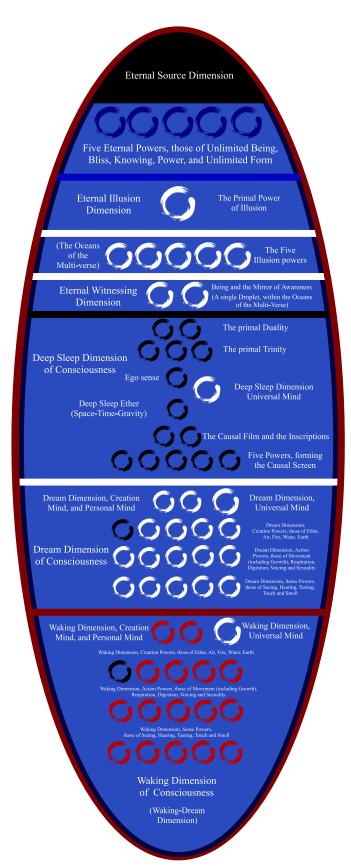


Three overlapping Ba Gua octaves, create 22 transcendental notes, divided by the seven steps, within an octave. Our universe then is a musical structure, including 3rds, fifths, sevenths, and octets.

### Four, the 'Theory of Everything'.

This 'Mind of God' is woven from 64 Powers, those of consciousness, and Eternal Awareness, manifesting through eight dimensions, with each dimension, possessing its own, Being and Mind aspects.











These four images, deduced from the ancient, mystical traditions, form the basis, for Socrates's Cave v2.0. This 'Cave' creation model, allows us to solve, the following creation problems, currently bewildering, empirical science:

The 'hard problem' of consciousness.

The 'qualia' dilemmas.

The mysterious 'observer'.

'Meaning' and teleology.

Octet music.

Our Fibonacci solar system.

Dark Matter and Dark Energy.

The Quantum realms.

Quantum gravity.

Transcendental Pi.

Beyond the Planck Scales?

And the 'Theory of Everything'.

Further, if our matter-based creation theories, including the Standard Particle Model, do not explain our known universe, then perhaps we should also consider, Socrates Cave v2.0, for in 'Cave' theory, it is impossible to deduce, the remaining 62 Powers, simply by studying the 'etheric' vault, known as space-time-gravity, and the primal matter, appearing, within the waking dimension of consciousness!



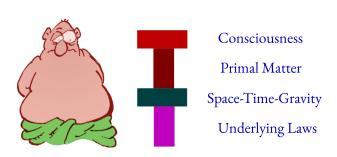


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#### 'Big Bangs, Rocks from Nothing, and Orchestras of Psyche'!

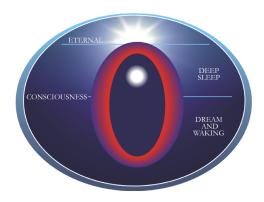
Four billion years ago, our planet was simply a cooling sphere of primal matter. How then did this, 'Rock from Nothing', create the complex webs of consciousness, surrounding us today? How can we explain, the appearance of 'thinking rocks'? The greatest minds, from the past five thousand years, have attempted this riddle, within a myriad of forms, and they have created, two primal creation models, those of matter and consciousness, the two mother lodes for philosophy, science, religion, and mysticism. We can call these two models, science's four-block, 'Rocks from Nothing', model of matter, and the mystic's, genie's bottle, 'Quantum Images, upon an Eternal Mirror', model of consciousness. Our true education, will only begin, when we forensically examine, these two creation models, allowing us to reveal the underlying Truths, for our universe!



In the matter creation model, the basis for our universe, can be described, using only four simple building blocks. The first block is the underlying laws for our universe, and the second block is the space-time-gravitational vault. We can shrink these two blocks, down to a tiny point of 'Nothingness', and then explode them, as the Big Bang. The third block is primal matter, and the fourth block is the appearance of consciousness, arising as a 'hallucination', created by complex chemistry.

In this creation model, the background fields of our universe, include two mysterious dimensions, those of dark matter, and dark energy. These dark realms, are similar to the term, 'Here be Dragons', marked upon our ancient maps, as they are not made from the protons, and neutrons, of our physical universe. It is proposed that these dark expanses, will comprise, more than 95% of the total universe.

(We can note, in this creation model, we are using the generic terms, 'underlying laws', and 'space-time-gravity', as 'name plates', for all the aspects of our universe, described as neither consciousness, nor Eternal Awareness.)



The consciousness creation model, based upon an Eternal dimension of Pure Awareness, contains a vault, or 'genie's bottle' of consciousness, woven from three dimensions, those of deep sleep, dream, and waking. This vault, and the reflected light of the personal self, create a koan, or cosmic riddle, 'how can the egoic self, find the Sun which Lights All, yet cannot be Seen'?

In this model, the three dimensions of consciousness, appear as octaves of one another, with each octave containing seven internal steps. Deep sleep dimension is seven times as powerful, as dream, and dream is seven times as powerful, as waking. Waking dimension, and the physical universe, comprise only 100/49, or 2.040816...% of the universe, with the remainder, becoming the 97.959184...% of the universe, known to science, as dark matter, and dark energy.

This model has echoed throughout history, taking such forms, as Animism, Plato's Cave, India's Aum theory, Tibet's Luminosity model, Chinese Taoism, Aboriginal Dreaming, Joseph Campbell's Hero's journey, and a myriad of the world's religious faiths.

Welcome to 'The \$AUD10,000 Universe Challenge'! To collect the prize, be the first person, who can describe a plausible, third creation theory, differing in essence, from the two creation models, presented above. Alternatively, be the first person, through simple logic, who can convince the Challenge presenters, the matter creation model, and not the consciousness creation model, describes the fundamental structures, within our universe!



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## The \$AUD10,000 Universe Challenge Pledge!

## 'Take the Prize, or Join the Pledge!'



The Universe Challenge, focuses upon the 'hard problem of consciousness'. How does primal matter, arising from the chaos of the 'Big Bang', transform itself, through evolutionary periods, into complex consciousness, such as the human mind? How do we explain, 'thinking mud'? Further, the Challenge offers a binary choice, between a matter-based universe, and a universe based upon consciousness, and Eternal Awareness, with a Challenge prize, totaling, \$AUD10,000.

The Universe Challenge, also increases this prize pool, through the Challenge Pledge, where individuals, and businesses, can offer additional funds, as a Challenge incentive. In this way, the prize money, may eventually rise, perhaps to one million dollars, or even one hundred million dollars! After all, even without considering, the scientists and philosophers, the spiritual and the curious, those who are interested, but who are bound by time constraints, or who have mislaid their intellectual 'fire-power', there are 2.8 billion, Indians and Chinese, with historical, metaphysical 'skin', in this Challenge!

To make a Pledge, simply email, pledge@theuniversechallenge.org, with your name, email details, and the amount you are willing to Pledge, no matter how large, or small. At this point, no money changes hands, as this is simply a Pledge, offered in good faith. With each Pledge, we also welcome, your additional comments, as this will assist us, in promoting, and communicating, the Universe Challenge! The revised prize pool, updated with recent Pledges, will appear on the index page, within the website, www.theuniversechallenge.org

When the first person succeeds, in fulfilling the Challenge, then those who have offered Pledges, will be contacted, so they can transfer their Pledge funds, into the prize pool. The Challenge presenters, are responsible, only for the initial,

\$AUD10,000, in prize money, and for contacting those, who have offered their Pledges. We expect, however, all Pledges will be honoured, as the prize pool will have inspired, some of the finest minds on our planet, to passionately inquire, into the dilemmas, created by matter and consciousness, while the rest of us, can simply recline, in 'Lounge Lizard' pose, and enjoy the show!

Astonishingly, perhaps we will eventually discover, the greatest exponents of empirical science, even when surrounded, by our modern technology, and our advanced mathematics, will still be defeated, by the mystics' consciousness creation model, proposed, for at least 5000 years. Will the Socratic Dialogues, surrounding the Challenge, and our Pledge money, prove to be, major inputs, into our education, our wisdom, and our journeys of life!

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# The \$AUD10,000 Universe Challenge, Additional Pledge!



I/We wish to contribute to the debates, surrounding, 'The \$AUD10,000 Universe Challenge', by adding a Pledge to the prize pool! We understand this Pledge, will only be called upon, when, or if, the first person fulfills the requirements, listed in the 'Universe Challenge'.

We offer this additional Pledge, in 'good faith', just as the initial, \$AUD10,000 prize, has been offered, in 'good faith'.

Please print this pdf page, in black and white, or colour, and sign in the space below, the following information: name, address, phone number, email, additional pledge amount, and signature. Then scan, and send to infoq@theuniversechallenge.org, with 'Pledge funds', listed in the email title. We thank you for your interest, and we will add your contribution, to the total Pledge pool, with updates, presented on the website!