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The Yellow Brick Road is the Metaphor of the Unit. Science Studies the Epistemology of the Unit.

The Unit of the Conflict Resolution Process, a Natural Science Phenomenon as the Secular Paradigm of Moral Order.

In the Wizard of Oz* story, the Yellow Brick Road is a path uniting Dorothy's adventures into a totality with a beginning, a middle and an end. According to the Formal Theory, this path of surprises and adventures is an example of a perfect abstract and predictable system of transformations dictated by the unconscious, redefined as the Unit of the Conflict Resolution Process.

The secrets and the magic of psychology and religion are revealed by understanding this measurable and predictable unconscious mechanism which like the Wizard of Oz governs our lives and determines our fortunes. In uncovering this unconscious and universal moral order, the Formal Theory demystifies psychology and morality and makes life less scary and more manageable for Dorothy and mankind.

*THE WIZARD OF OZ
L. Frank Baum
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The stress state above is the first of six interrelated parts of the dramatic totality.

"The poor Scarecrow was left clinging to the pole in the middle of the river"

FROM ART TO SCIENCE, FROM CONTENT TO PROCESS, FROM A DRAMA TO A UNIVERSAL MORAL ORDER, THE FORMAL ANALYSIS OF A MODEL SYMBOLIC SYSTEM.

THE UNIT

Conflict Analysis, The Formal Theory of Behavior Redefines the Unconscious as a Conflict Resolution Process. It is the Atomistic Unit of the Social Sciences. The Unit, by Focusing on Process Rather than Content, Interfaces Art and Science. It Shifts our Attention from the Particular to the Universal.

Art: The Unit was observed as a recurring pattern in the five generations of the Greek Creation Myths



Science: This phenomenon was abstracted into a 6-role formal transformation process that resolves conflict.



The Unit as the Superhighway to Wisdom

The Sanctuary of the Unit Elucidates the Four Manifestations of the Unit.

• **THE UNIT IS A SEQUENCE OF SIX INTERRELATED ROLE STATES: STRESS, RESPONSE, ANXIETY, DEFENSE, REVERSAL AND COMPROMISE. IT IS AN UNCONSCIOUS STREAM OF ASSOCIATIONS THAT PREDICTABLY TRANSFORMS CHAOS TO ORDER, AND CONFLICT TO RESOLUTION.**

- This six-role sequence is the heartbeat of the mind.
- It is the metaphor underlying all metaphors.
- It is the key that opens the doors to all symbolic universes.

The Sanctuary of The Unit presents the systematic study of the Unit. Each of its four walls addresses one aspect of its manifestation: Science, Psychology, Education and Morality. Panels on the exterior walls introduce the concepts. Murals on the interior walls illustrate the same with case studies.

• **Science Studies the Epistemology of the Unit. Panels 1,2,3:** The Unit defines the unconscious as a periodic, measurable, moral order upgrading phenomenon, by utilizing scientific constructs. The Unit is the abstract constructs and formulas, the logic, physics and the mathematics of the mental oscillation. Hence the Unit bridges the humanities and the sciences.

• **Psychology Studies the Syndromal Structure of the Unit. Panels 4,5,6:** The Unit is the creative process organizing thoughts in myths, dramas, metaphors and art. The Unit is the predictability of psychology's relational syndromes.

• **Psychotherapy and Education Study the Restructuring of the Unit in the Pursuit of Effectiveness. Panels 7,8,9:** The Unit is the art and associations of diagnostic instruments that serve to quantify, qualify, and modify the Conflict Resolution Process of the creator.

• **Morality Targets Moral Empowerment Through the Exaltation of the Unit. Panels 10,11,12:** The Unit is the cultural norms and principles governing relationships. The Unit is the many and evolving images of God.