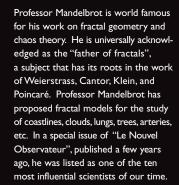PRESENT

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BENOÎT B. MANDELBROT

Sterling Professor of Mathematical Sciences, Yale University and IBM Fellow Emeritus

Professor Mandelbrot is world famous for his work on fractal geometry and chaos theory. He is universally acknowledged as the "father of fractals", a subject that has its roots in the work of Weierstrass, Cantor, Klein, and Poincaré. Professor Mandelbrot has proposed fractal models for the study of coastlines, clouds, lungs, trees, arteries, etc. In a special issue of "Le Nouvel Observateur", published a few years ago, he was listed as one of the ten most influential scientists of our time.

For his fundamental discoveries, Professor Mandelbrot has been awarded numerous prizes and honors, including the 1994 Wolf Prize for Physics. He is a foreign member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, a fellow of the Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a member of the European Academy of Arts, Sciences and Humanities, among other academies.

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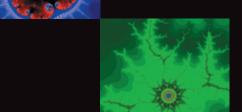
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