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***Philosophy and education for a
better democracy***

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Philosophy and science

- Μηδείς αγεωμέτητος εισίτω

(Do not enter if you do not know geometry)

The study of philosophy develops analytical rigour and the ability to criticise and reason logically

<http://www.philosophy.ox.ac.uk/admissions>

For 1500 years philosophy is separated from science

Philosophy without scientific evidence is dead

Healthy mind model of Plato

- If the body is out of balance is sick and needs **medical therapy**
- If the mind is out of balance is sick needs **EDUCATION**

- Three representative states of mind
 - **(a) Logic**
 - **(b) Desire**
 - **(c) Anger**

- **Healthy mind = The Logic keeps in balance desire and anger**

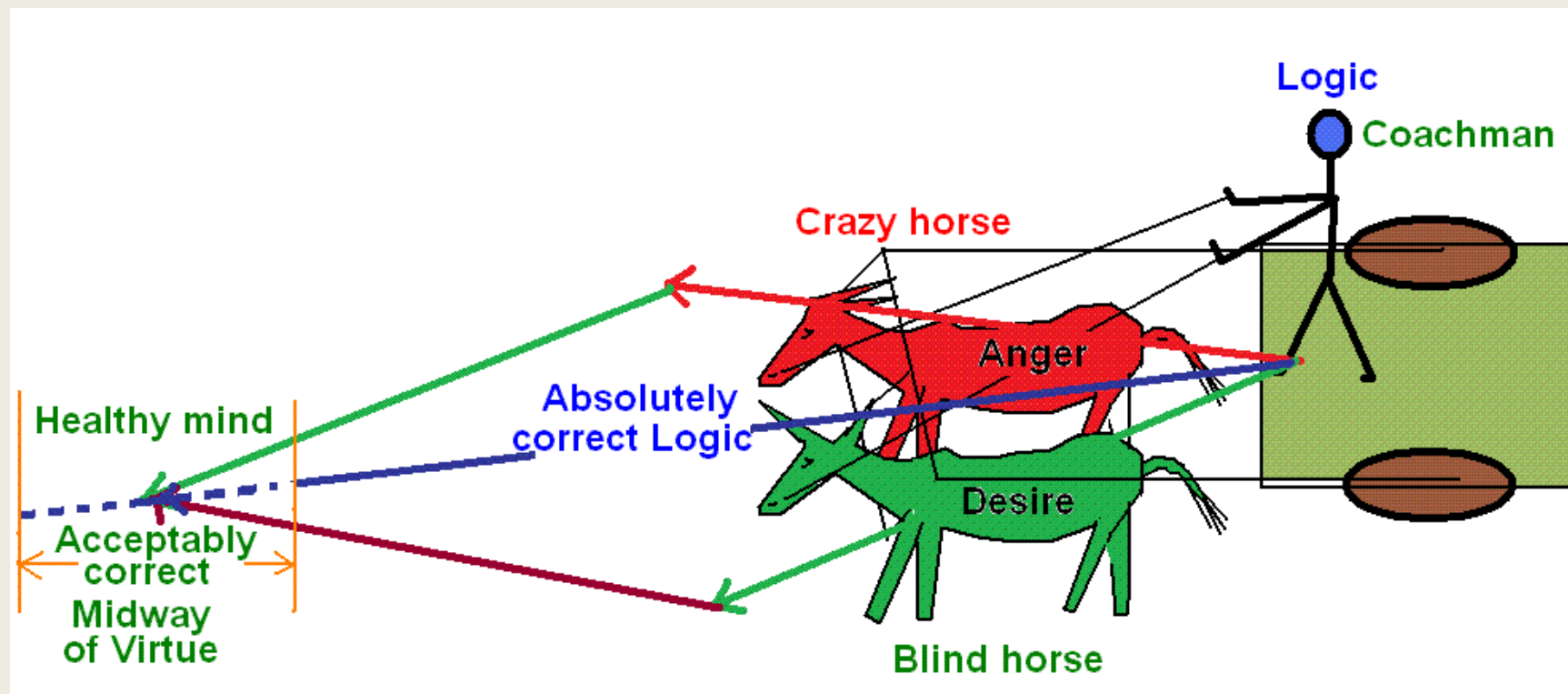
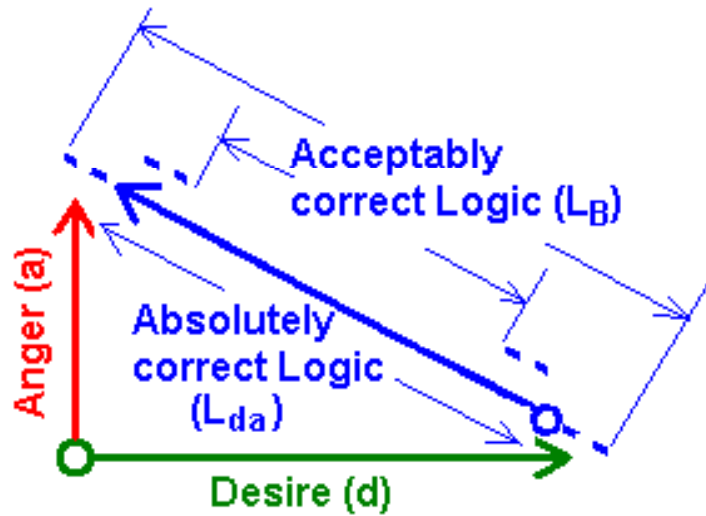
Acceptable healthy mind model of Aristotle and Human error model – Democratic procedures

- virtue is a “*mesotita = midway*” (not a mean !!!) which means it is found in midway between two extreme actions, or, badness.
 - One extreme is towards deficiency
 - The other extreme is towards excess
- Aristotle’s example : “If **bravery** is a virtue then the brave person is to be found in midway, between the **provocative** and the **coward** person
- thrifty as a virtue that is to be found in midway between stinginess and overspending
- **Midway of virtue = error variance → Design variable of universe**
- **democratic procedures are the process to locate the midway of virtue (healthy mind with minimum bias).**

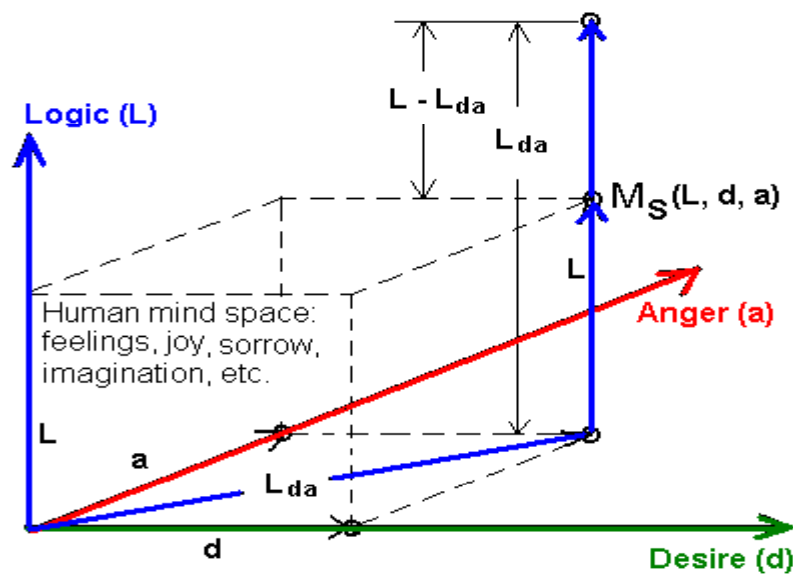
Education and training

- virtue is the **effort** to maintain actions within the midway bounds
- *Education is “The **effort** to develop a healthy mind to the virtuous person”*
- *Training is the **effort** to develop skills to the person with education, which will be use for better life quality for the public and for exploration.*

Absolute correct and acceptable correct



Mind space and Human error



$$L_{da} = \sqrt{d^2 + a^2}$$

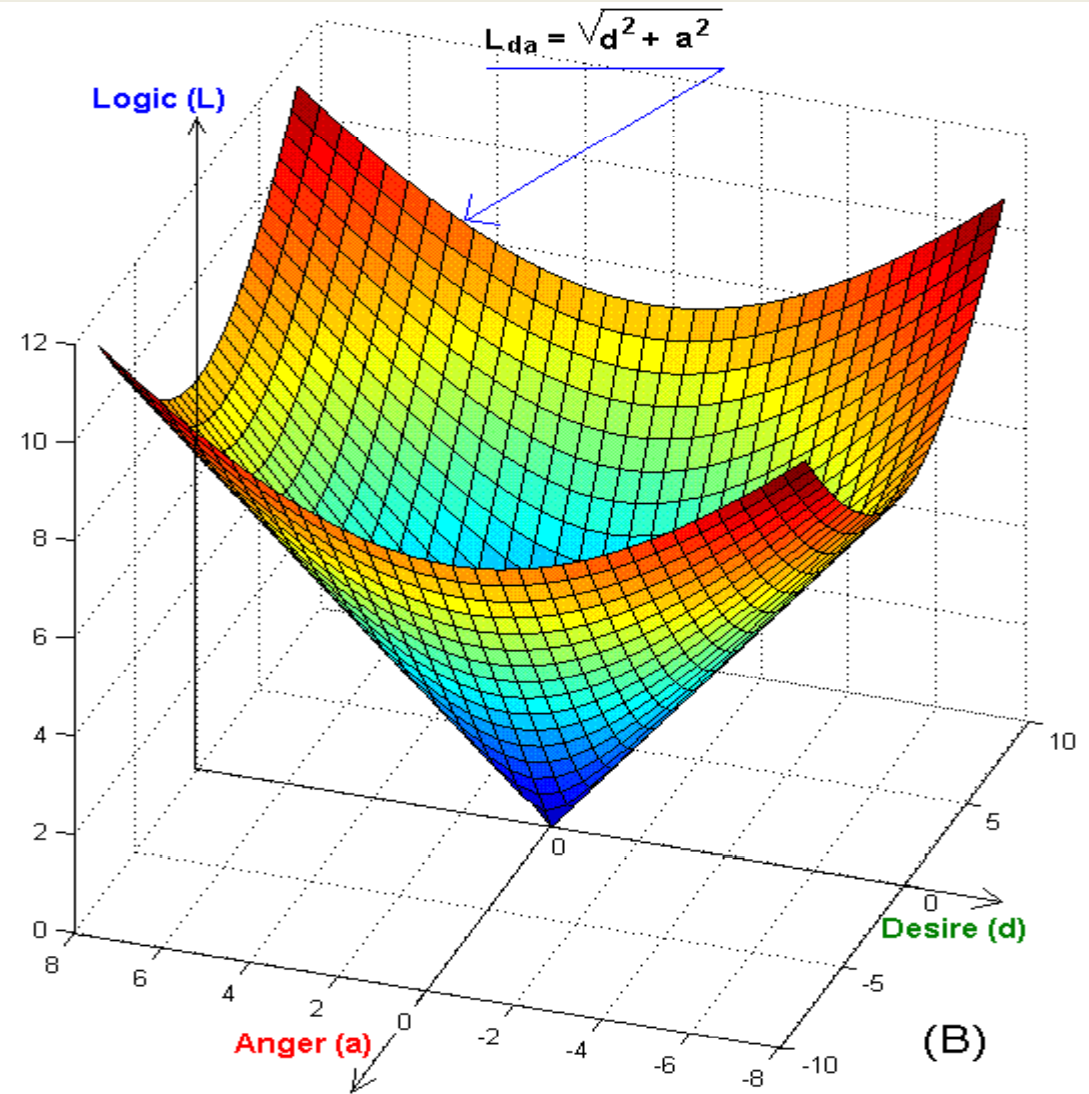
M_S = Current state of human mind

L_{da} = Absolutely correct Logic

$L - L_{da}$ = Human error

L = Current Logic

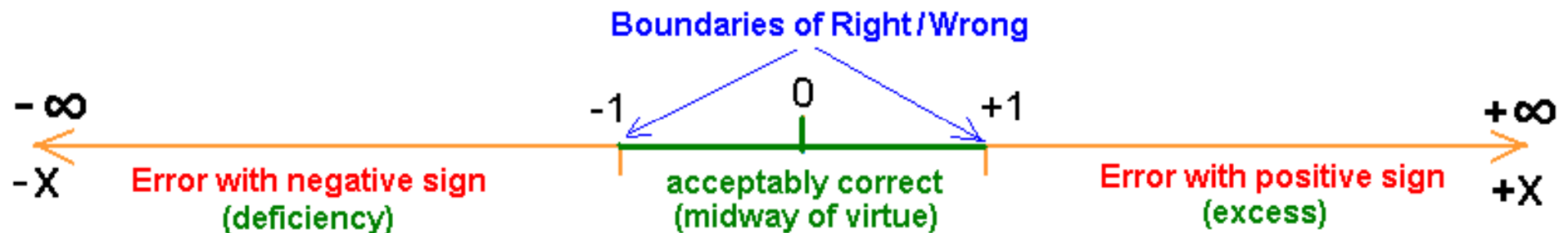
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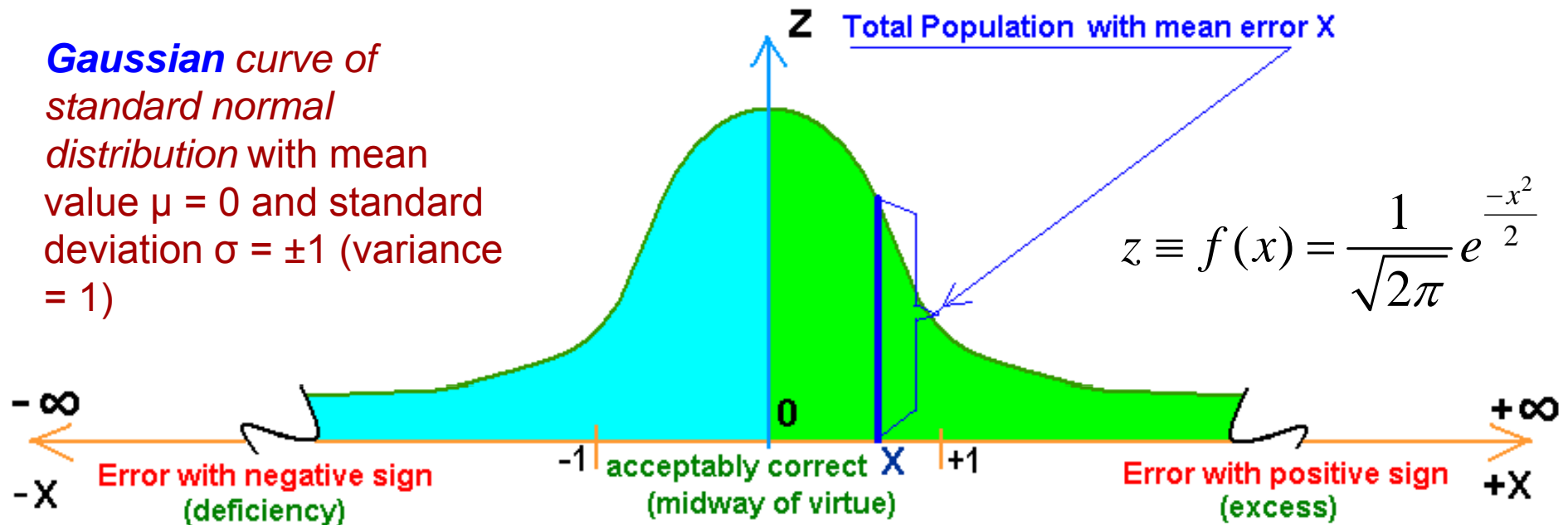
(B)

Boundaries of right and wrong

- **X = Human error**
- **Y = Acceptable human correct**
- $X = 1/Y$
- On the boundary $X = Y$
- $X = 1/X \rightarrow X^2 = 1 \rightarrow X = \pm 1 \rightarrow |X| = 1$



Mind performance as designed? by nature



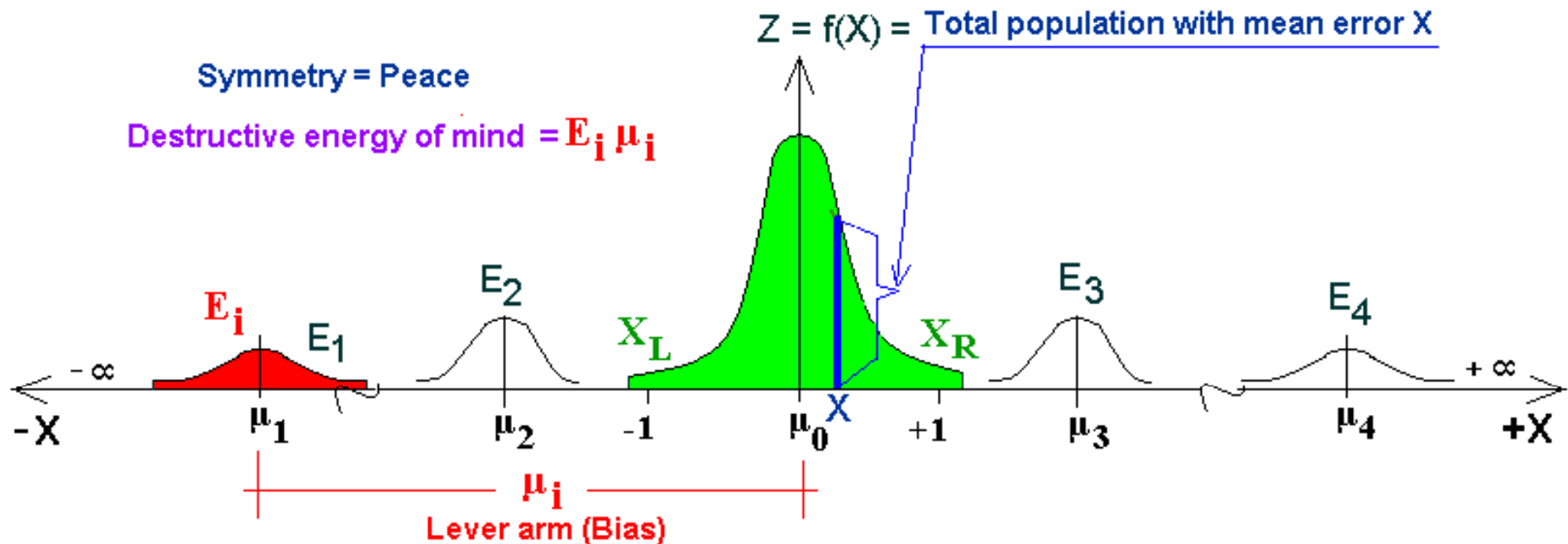
$\sigma = \pm 1 \rightarrow 68.26\%$ of the total population – best democracy

$\sigma = \pm 2 \rightarrow 95.45\%$ of the total population

$\sigma = \pm 3 \rightarrow 99.73\%$ of the total population

Out of bounds 0.27% of the total population (self defense)

Mind performance of real world (false evolution? Against nature?)

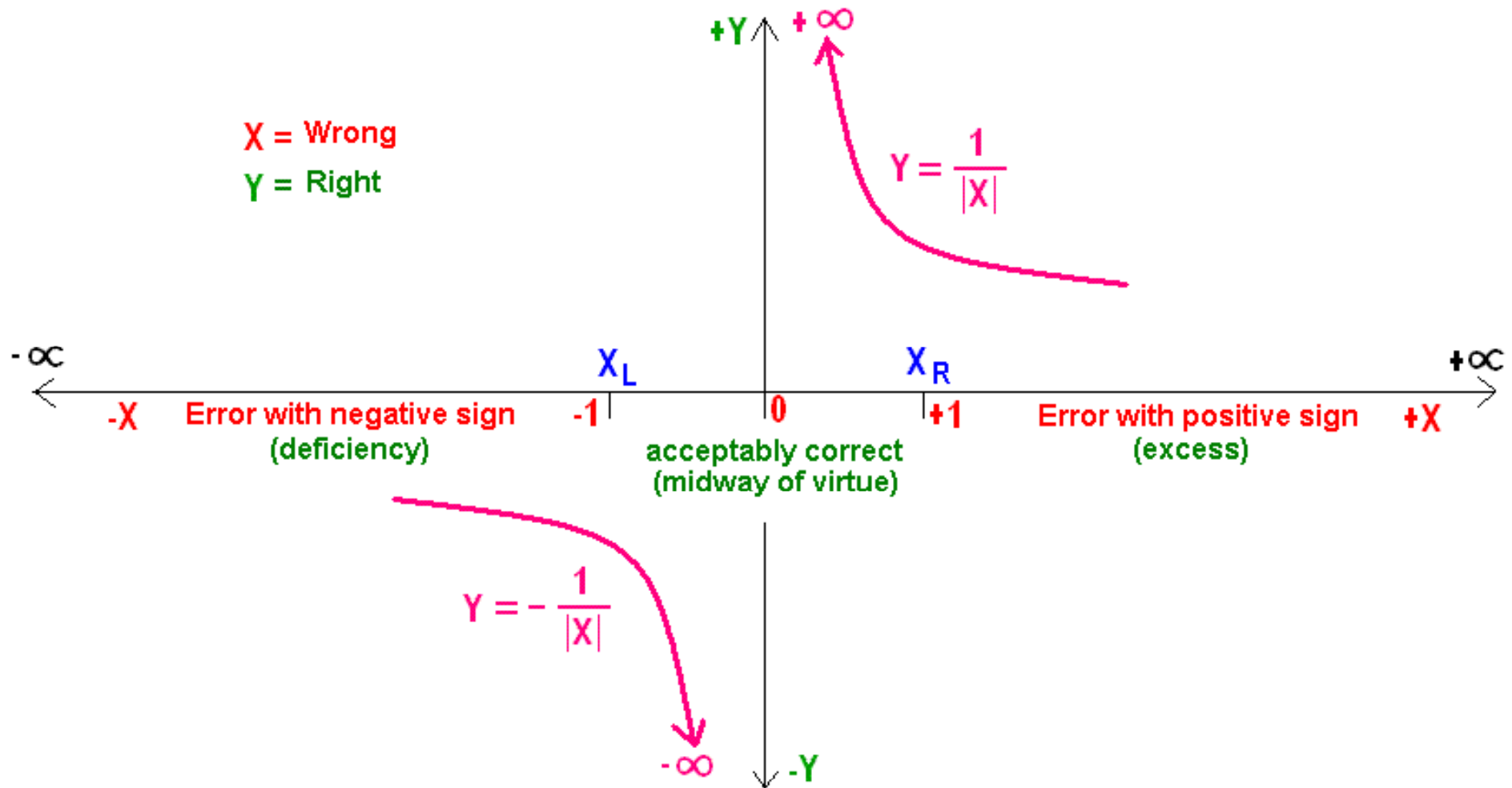


Bias falsified Democracy

Best Democracy

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The absolutely right performance of Nature



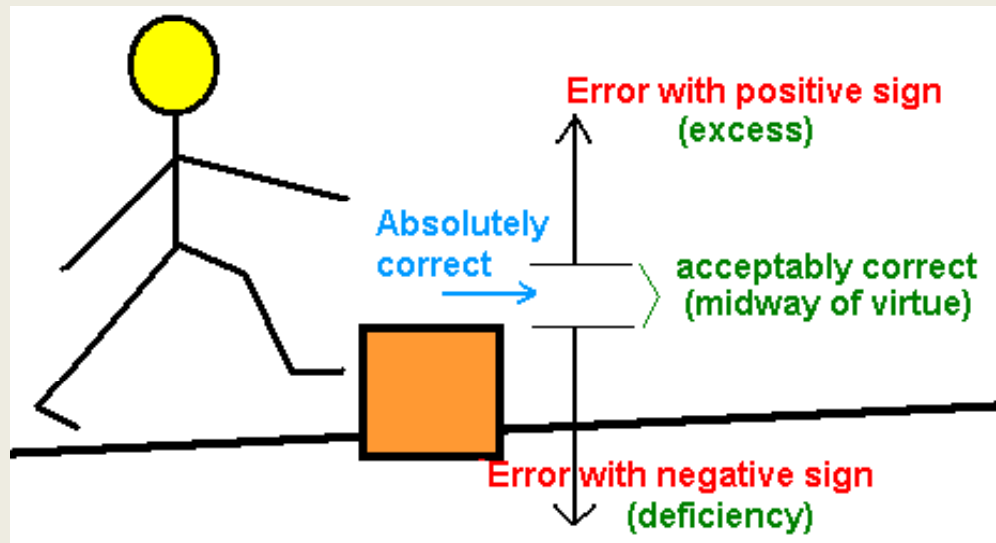
Nature

- **Establishing and maintaining the nature Laws and rules**
 - Gravity
 - Light
 - Biology
 - . . .
- **Nature: Sees through our eyes ?**
- **Nature: Understands through our minds ?**
- **Human destination: Quality in Life, Exploration?**

Immortality of mind developments

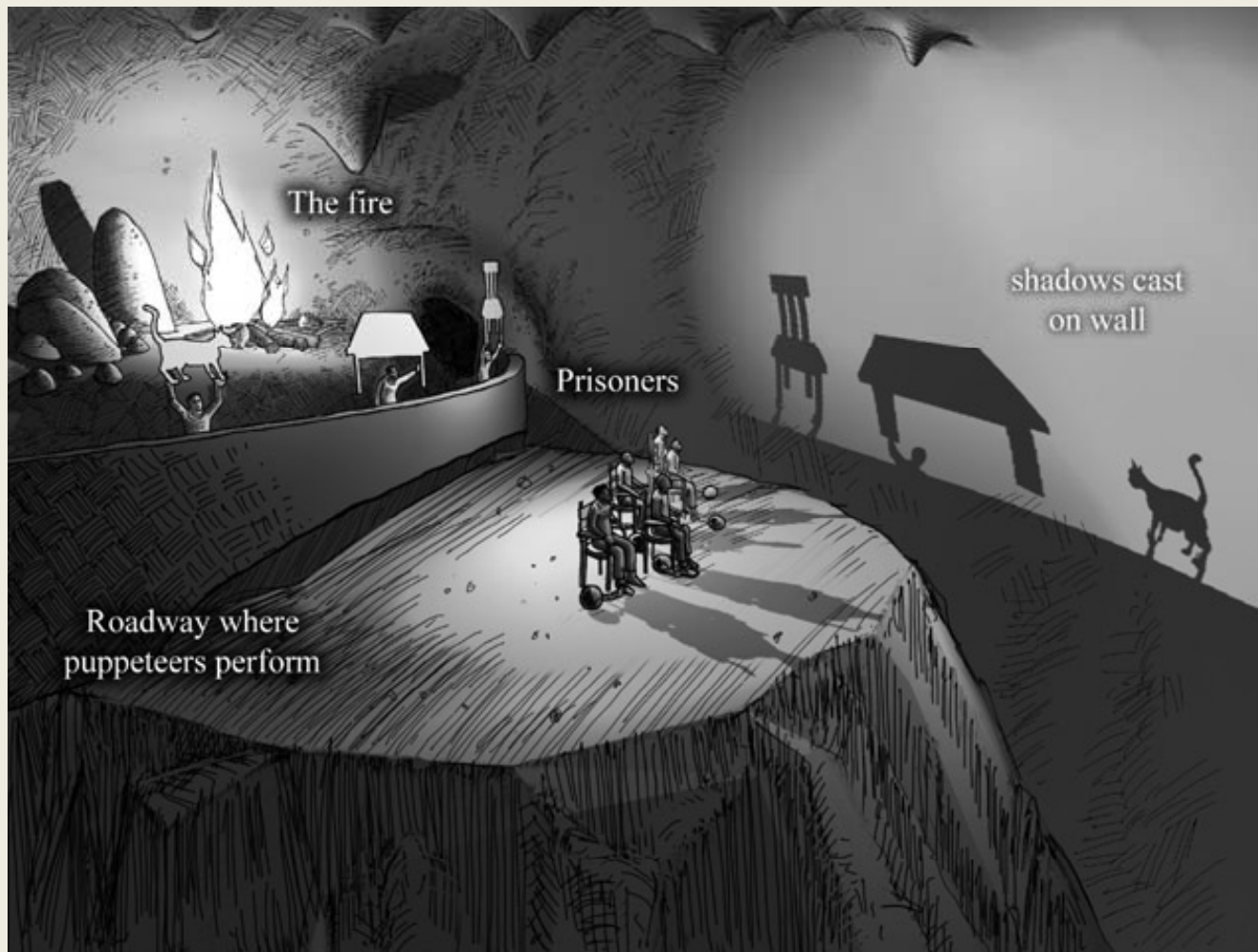
- **Mortal = Time dependency**
- **Immortal = Independent of time**
- **Electronic computers**
 - Hardware → mortal
 - Software → immortal
- **The books we read carry the immortal developments of the writer's mind**

Neural structure of the brain hosting human mind



- (a) Definition of boundaries of right and wrong.
- (b) first time may have a false step.
- (c) next time will have a better performance
- (d) wrong and right coexist and their boundaries are located at a point where the error value is below a threshold limit.
- (e) Midway of virtue = error variance
- (f) There is unlimited freedom within midway
- (g) False step (non health limitations) = uneducated, or, bias

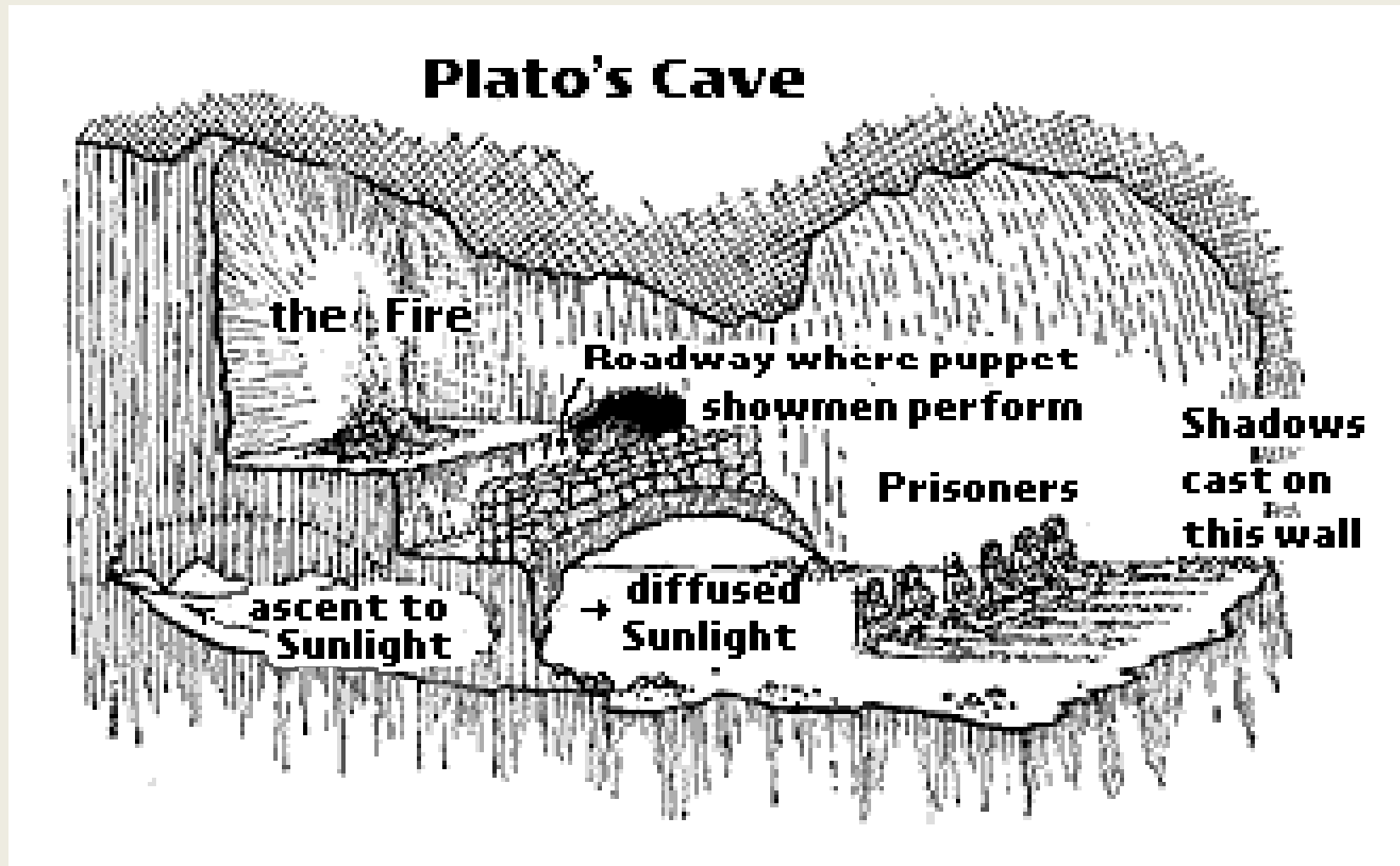
Plato's Cave



<http://t1.gstatic.com/images?q=tbn:ANd9GcQx0e-jdRwZM3YPvxI8ZXYOqmfas1P9iVxUBbUjvpDom9LsfboyJA>

Plato's Cave

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=endscreen&NR=1&v=aHLASQstKVQ>



Levels of Slavery to maintain human actions against nature rules

- 1. Increasing the anger (wildfication mechanisms)**
- 2. Increasing the desires (Marketing)**
3. Neutralizing Logic (Excess faith and Excess mutual support)
- 4. Fanashism (Doing all three above)**
- 5. Limiting Logic (decisions with insufficient supporting arguments)**
- 6. Too much logic (discussions to nowhere, loops)**

Conclusions

1. **Philosophy must reunite with Science**
2. **The boundaries of wrong and right must be further developed on scientific bases**
3. **Human mind models and Human error analysis must be further studied and adopted by human sciences**
4. **There must be an effort so that groups of people with excess bias to focus on the cultural part of their group and minimize bias**
5. **Better Democracy: It is the effort of the voters to maintain a balanced (healthy) mind with minimum bias.**
 - It is to understand the value of the sunlight and free people from slavery of the Plato's cave.
 - It is to help people understand the nature rules.
 - It is to understand human destination as the quality in life and exploration.

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This goat is about four meters over the ground eating whatever is left from a fig tree