

Figure 2.1 Graph of complexity, organization, and complexity-and-organization.

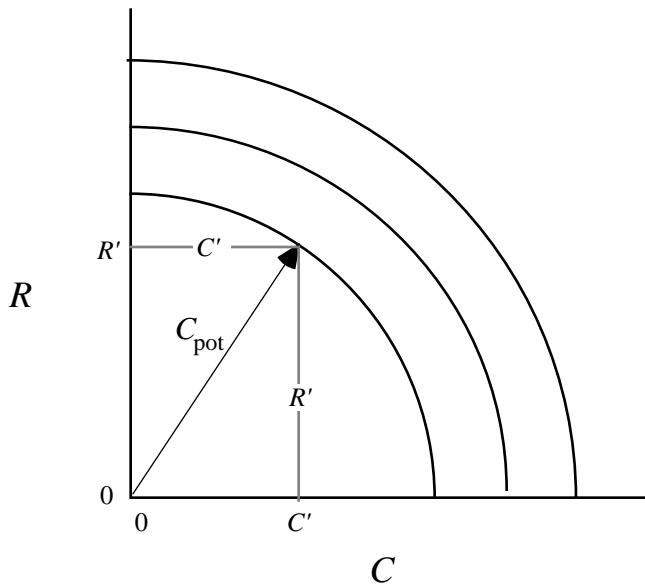


Figure 2.2 Plotting potential complexity, C_{pot} .

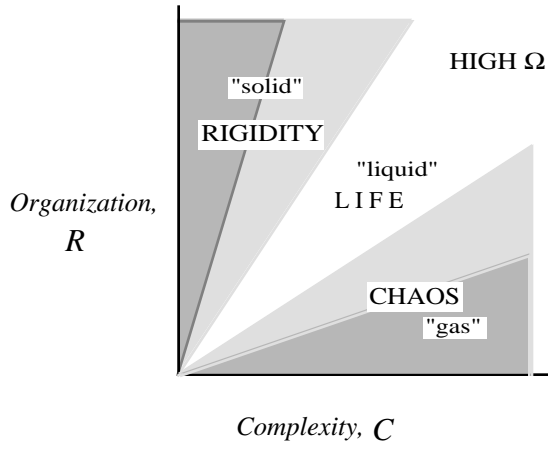


Figure 2.3 Three regions of the complexity-organization graph

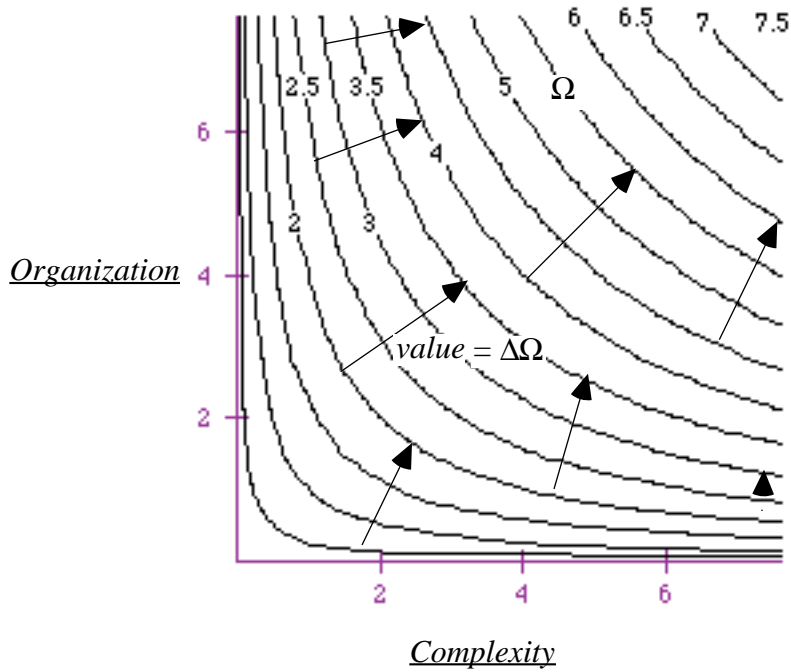


Figure 2.4 Some vectors of positive value, equal in magnitude.

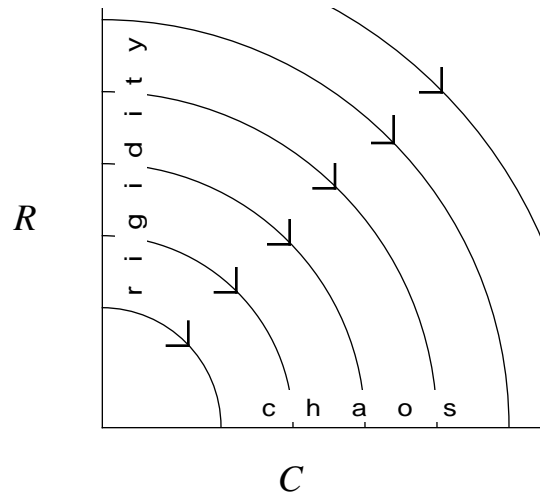


Figure 2.5 The "Second Law vector field." Any organized system, isolated, will tend to drift towards internal chaos along the Cpot contours shown, at one or several scales.

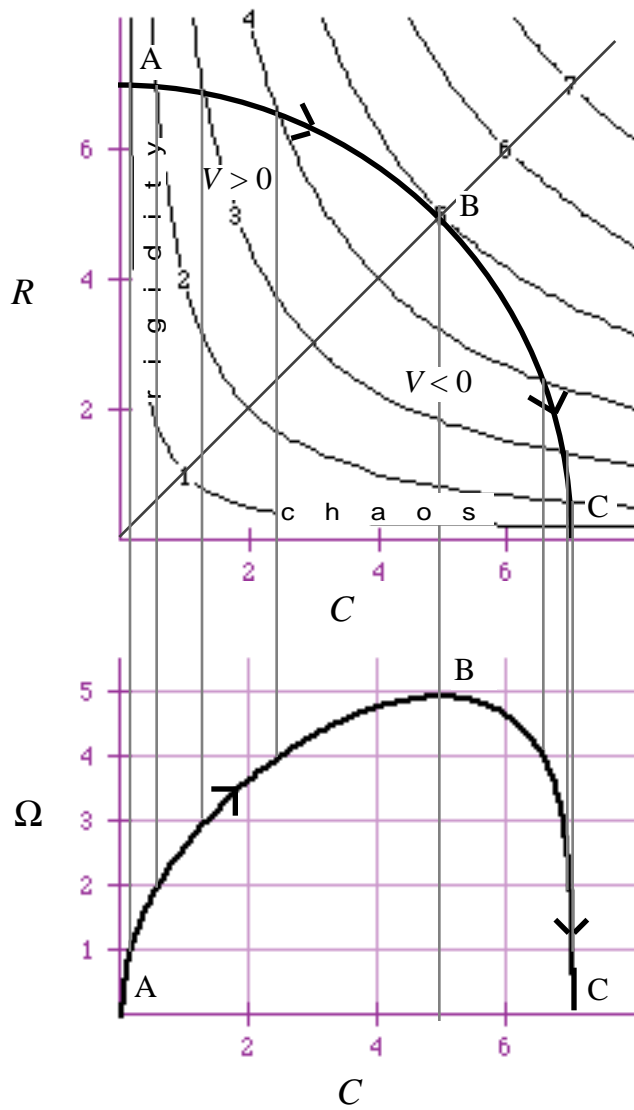


Figure 2.6 The trajectory of a closed system going from rigidity to chaos under "mandate" of the Second Law of Thermodynamics (i.e. constant potential complexity).

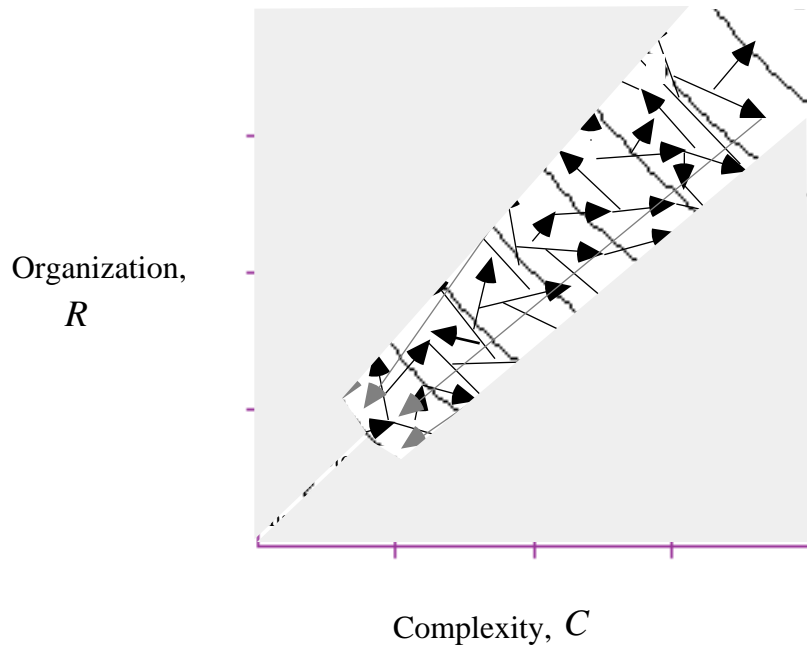


Figure 2.7 The evolutionary Tree of Life, highly schematic, time not directly represented.

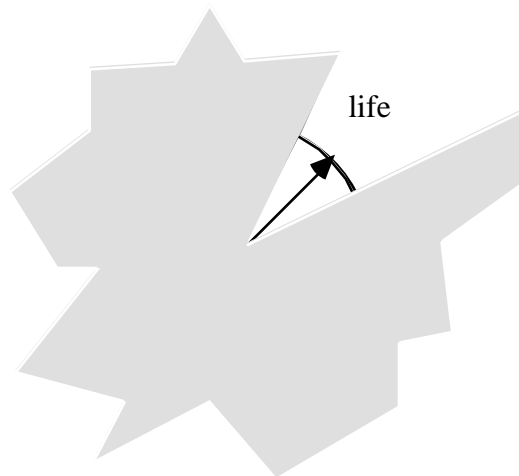


Figure 2.8 Possible directions of skipping from the zone of proto-life in Figure 2.7

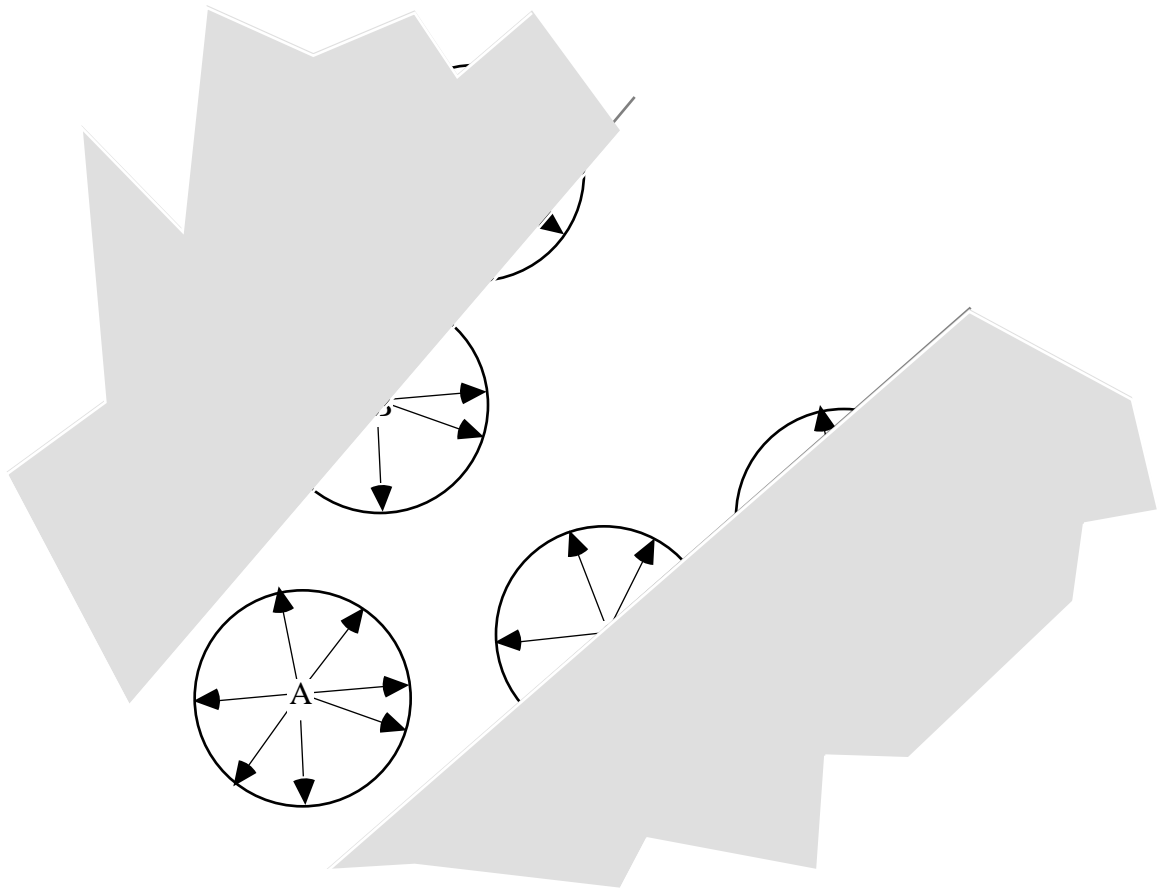


Figure 2.9 Enlarging the central portion of Figure 2.7, five positions in and near the "white" zone of viable life.

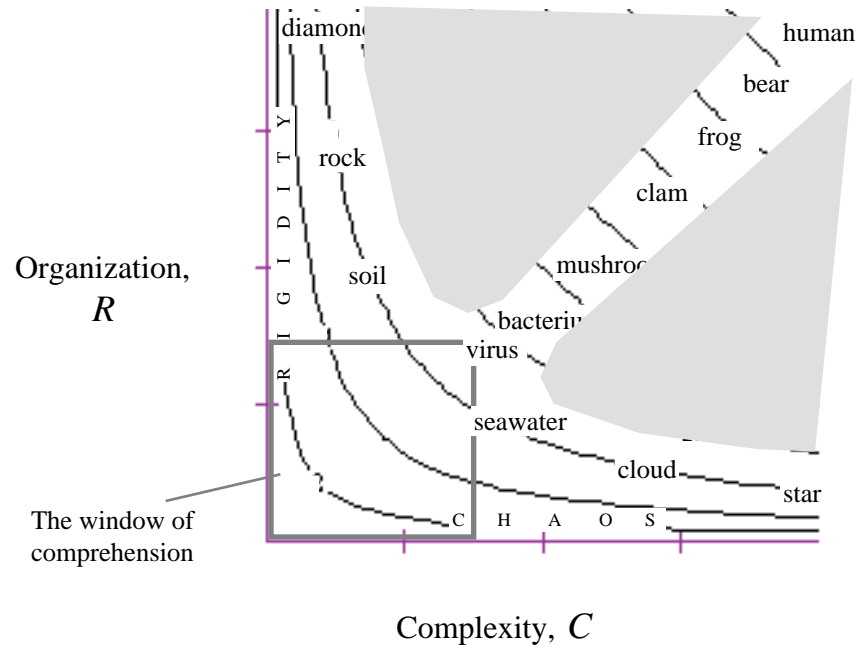


Figure 2.10. Omega: The larger view