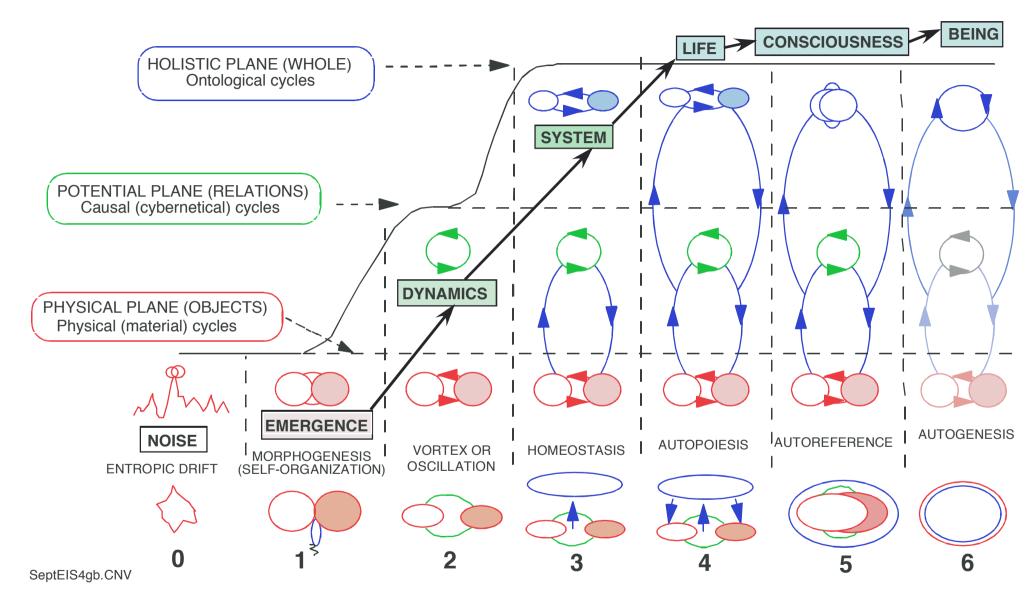
The six steps of the emergence and unfolding of the prototypical viable system



The initial condition (0) corresponds to the entropic drift, the general thermodynamical trend toward the more probable. It is followed by the successsive appearance of the six basic cycles inside and between the three ontological planes: physical, logical, and existential planes. After the emergence of structures (1), of exchanges (2),and of the system as a whole (3), significant steps are the apppearance of life (4), of consciousness (5) and finally of pure existence (6).