

MATHEMATICS OF EXISTENCE

Life seemed linear when we were young.
Life lines were straight and neat.
Then we sought new equations
because life threw us curves.
It jangled our nerves, but we got
on with middle age, calculating,
curves of calculus. We found life
to be more or less bell-shaped.
It had limits. You climbed from
the x-axis of childhood to a maximum,
then slid down the slippery slope to
old age and $y = 0$. Why equals zero?
Math only takes you so far.
The Germans say "all theory is gray."
Now, sliding down toward zero, it
seems there are orbits of energy to
be considered. We take quantum leaps
from outer orbits, tire and fall inward.
It's o.k. because we emit light as we
fall toward the nucleus, to the source.
Nearer now to God. Soon again a part.