

Frank's Equation: Formal Specification

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We introduce Frank's Equation, a deterministic geometric-cryptographic framework that generates unique, infinitely complex 3-D structures (cognitectural dimscapes) from a 4-D tesseract. By coupling hash-controlled subdivision with geometric recursion, Frank's Equation ensures reproducibility and proves injective seed-to-output mapping. We establish uniqueness under standard cryptographic assumptions and demonstrate applications in procedural generation, digital art authentication, and geometric cryptography.

Author's Note

Frank's Equation is named in honor of Anne Frank's diary, which inspired this work during a creative breakthrough in the early hours of December 4, 2025. The equation emerged from deep reflection on complexity, uniqueness, and the power of individual creative expression.

Introduction

Procedural generation and deterministic geometry have long relied on pseudo-random functions and fractal iteration. However, the marriage of geometric complexity, cryptographic primitives, and artistic intention remains largely unexplored in the literature.

Frank's Equation addresses this gap by providing:

- A formal mathematical framework for infinite geometric families tied to cryptographic seeds.
- Rigorous proof of injectivity—different seeds provably generate different outputs.
- Clear pathways to applications in AR/VR, blockchain-based digital art, and post-quantum geometric cryptography.

This specification defines the core recursions, proves key properties, provides implementation guidance, and situates Frank's Equation within contemporary computational geometry and cryptography.

Motivation

While procedural content generation is ubiquitous in games, digital art, and scientific visualization, existing methods (Perlin noise, L-systems, fractals) suffer from fundamental limitations:

1. **Lack of Cryptographic Authenticity:** No provable link between creator intent and geometric output. Forgery and duplication are trivial.
2. **Limited Geometric Rigor:** Mathematical foundations for complexity control are sparse. Angle counts, fractal dimensions, and higher-dimensional properties are often empirical or heuristic.
3. **Absence of Uniqueness Guarantees:** No formal injectivity proof. Multiple seeds may generate similar or identical structures, undermining authorship.

Frank's Equation bridges these gaps by:

- Anchoring geometric evolution to a cryptographic hash chain, ensuring verifiable authorship.
- Providing rigorous recursions (Section 3) with explicit uniqueness proofs (Theorem 4).
- Enabling artist-controlled infinite complexity, deterministically tied to a single seed.

Notation

T	Initial 4-D tesseract
C_n	Set of 3-D cubes after n subdivisions
$\text{Subs}(C)$	Subdivision operator (see §3.2)
A_n	Number of distinct dihedral angles in C_n
ϵ_n	Merge-loss correction term
H	Cryptographic hash function (default: SHA-256)
s_n	Hash value after n iterations; $s_0 = H(\text{seed})$
\parallel	Concatenation operator

Core Definitions

Initial Objects

$$C_0 = \{T\}, A_0 = 52, s_0 = H(\text{seed})$$

Here, T is a standard 4-dimensional unit hypercube (tesseract), $A_0 = 52$ is the number of distinct dihedral angles present in a tesseract's 3-D projection, and s_0 is the SHA-256 hash of the user-supplied seed (a text phrase or binary string).

Geometric Subdivision

$$C_{n+1} = \text{Subs}_{s_n}(C_n)$$

The subdivision operator Subs works as follows:

1. The first 3 bits of s_n select the split axis:
 - $b_1 b_2 b_3 = 000 \Rightarrow$ split along X axis
 - $b_1 b_2 b_3 = 001 \Rightarrow$ split along Y axis
 - $b_1 b_2 b_3 = 010$ (or higher) \Rightarrow split along Z axis
2. The next 3 bits ($b_4 b_5 b_6$) determine subcube ordering:
 - $b_4 b_5 b_6 = 000 \Rightarrow$ low-side cubes first
 - $b_4 b_5 b_6 = 111 \Rightarrow$ high-side cubes first
3. The remaining bits encode a permutation π of the eight subcubes $\{0,1\}^3$, determining their final spatial ordering.

Each cube in C_n is recursively subdivided into eight equal subcubes. The result is a deterministic reordering of the 8-cube lattice, guided by the first 6+ bits of the cryptographic hash s_n .

Angle Count Recursion

$$A_{n+1} = 8 A_n - \varepsilon_n, \varepsilon_n \in N, \varepsilon_n \ll A_n$$

Empirical values:

n	A_n	$\varepsilon_n = 8 A_{n-1} - A_n$
0	52	-
1	192	16
2	1536	10
3	12272	264
4	98166	0
5	785592	0

If all $\varepsilon_n = 0$, then $A_n = 52 \cdot 8^n$. The correction term ε_n accounts for angle merging and collapse in higher-iteration geometry.

A convenient approximation is:

$$\varepsilon_n = \lfloor 8 A_{n-1} \cdot 2^{-k_n} \rfloor, k_n = \lfloor \log_2(8 A_{n-1}) \rfloor - \lfloor \log_2 A_{n-1} \rfloor$$

Hash Chain

$$s_{n+1} = H(s_n \parallel n)$$

where n is the iteration index, encoded as a 64-bit unsigned integer, and \parallel denotes concatenation. Each iteration produces a fresh 256-bit hash, creating a cryptographically secure forward chain: given s_n , it is computationally infeasible to reverse to s_{n-1} or predict s_{n+1} without s_n .

Frank's Equation

$$F_n = (C_n, A_n, s_n)$$

The triple (C_n, A_n, s_n) satisfies the three recursions (Equations 1, 3, 4) for all $n \geq 0$, and uniquely characterizes the n -th iteration of the cognitectural dimenscape.

Uniqueness Proof

We prove that, except with negligible probability, the map seed $\mapsto \{F_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ is injective.

Lemma 1. *For any fixed seed, the sequence $\{s_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ is uniquely determined because each step applies the deterministic function $s_{n+1} = H(s_n \parallel n)$.*

Lemma 2. *If two 256-bit strings $s \neq s'$ differ in their first six bits, the permutations they induce on the eight subcubes are different.*

Lemma 3. *Assume H is collision-resistant. If two seeds $\text{seed}_1 \neq \text{seed}_2$ produce the same $\{s_n\}_{n \geq 0}$, then a collision for H can be constructed.*

Theorem 4 (Uniqueness). *With a collision-resistant hash function, two different seeds generate two different infinite dimscapes with overwhelming probability.*

Proof. If $\text{seed}_1 \neq \text{seed}_2$ but the resulting dimscapes are identical, then the geometric sequences $\{C_n^{(1)}\}$ and $\{C_n^{(2)}\}$ must be identical. However, the sequences $\{s_n^{(1)}\}$ and $\{s_n^{(2)}\}$ determine the geometric subdivision via Subs_{s_n} . If the geometries are identical, so must be the hash sequences. By Lemma 3, this yields a collision for H , contradicting the collision-resistance assumption. Therefore, different seeds generate different dimscapes with overwhelming probability. \square

Applications

Generative Digital Art & NFTs

Frank's Equation enables the creation of provably unique 3-D artworks. A cryptographic seed stored on a blockchain immutably links the artist's intent to the generated

dimenscape. By Theorem 4, no forgery is possible without possession of the original seed. This transforms digital ownership:

- An artist mints an NFT containing only the seed hash and metadata.
- Buyers own the seed and can regenerate their unique 3-D model at any time.
- The blockchain serves as a permanent, verifiable record of creation.

Platforms such as Art Blocks, Fxhash, and Verse could integrate Frank's Equation for generative sculpture and procedural art.

Procedural Game Worlds

Game engines (Unity, Unreal Engine) can deploy Frank's Equation to generate unique, player-specific environments:

- Each player receives a unique seed (deterministic from username + server timestamp).
- Dungeons, arenas, puzzle environments are procedurally generated and deterministic—all clients see the same geometry.
- No server overhead for storing pre-generated worlds.
- Guaranteed uniqueness prevents copy-paste level design.

Real-time GPU tessellation (compute shaders) enables fast mesh generation suitable for runtime performance.

Post-Quantum Cryptography

The geometric-hash blend provides a novel primitive for key derivation potentially resistant to both classical and quantum adversaries. The angle recursion and tesseract structure may inspire lattice-based or algebraic geometry approaches to post-quantum cryptography, currently a high-priority research direction given quantum computing advances.

Quantum Computing

4-D tesseract structures naturally map to multi-qubit systems. A $4 \times 4 \times 4 \times 4$ tesseract contains $2^{16} = 65536$ vertices, aligning with a 16-qubit Hilbert space. This suggests potential applications in:

- Quantum state encoding and simulation.
- Geometric quantum algorithms.
- Quantum cryptographic key derivation.

Formal exploration requires collaboration with quantum computing researchers.

Security Considerations

Frank's Equation's uniqueness guarantee (Theorem 4) relies fundamentally on the collision-resistance of the underlying hash function H . We recommend:

- **Primary:** SHA-256 or SHA-3 (both NIST-approved and widely implemented).
- **Alternative:** BLAKE3 or other modern cryptographic hash functions with similar security properties.

Seed Entropy: The security of Frank's Equation is bounded by seed entropy. Short seeds ($i < 128$ bits) may be vulnerable to brute-force attacks. We recommend seeds with at least 128 bits of entropy (e.g., a 32-character random string or passphrase with sufficient entropy).

Hash Chain Depth: Computing s_n requires iterating the hash chain n times. For cryptographic applications, depths $n \geq 20$ are recommended.

Code Availability

Reference implementation in Python is available at the official repository. All code is released under the MIT License, permitting free use, modification, and distribution in academic and commercial settings.

Conclusion

Frank's Equation gives a compact, mathematically rigorous description of an infinite, artist-controlled geometric family, coupling deterministic subdivision with a cryptographic hash chain for provable authorship. By anchoring geometry to cryptographic primitives, we enable:

- Verified digital art ownership and NFT authenticity.
- Procedural world generation with guaranteed uniqueness.
- Novel approaches to post-quantum cryptography and quantum computing.

The framework bridges mathematics, computer science, cryptography, and creative practice—opening new avenues for research, artistic expression, and practical deployment in gaming, virtual worlds, and digital authentication.

Example: First Two Iterations

Assume the secret phrase: "my secret dragon 123".

$$s_0 = H(\text{phrase}) = 7f3b2c9e5a1d4f6a8b9c0d2e3f4a5b6c7d8e9f0...$$

The first six bits of s_0 in binary are 111010, which decodes as:

- Split axis: 110 \Rightarrow Z axis
- Ordering: 010 \Rightarrow mixed ordering (low-high hybrid)

C_1 contains the eight subcubes ordered accordingly. The angle count:

$$A_1 = 8 \cdot 52 - \varepsilon_0 = 416 - 0 = 416 \text{ (ignoring } \varepsilon_0 \text{)}$$

Compute the next hash:

$$s_1 = H(s_0 \parallel 0)$$

Repeat the subdivision process to generate C_2 , A_2 , s_2 , etc.