What Did J.S. Bach Know about Fractals?

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The mathematical term "fractal", coined in the late 20th century, is used to describe detailed mathematical objects with certain repeating patterns. Bach's 3rd cello suite, composed 250 years earlier, contains evidence of a fractal embedded in one of its movements. Come learn about fractals as we see (and hear) how one appears in this famous piece of music!

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