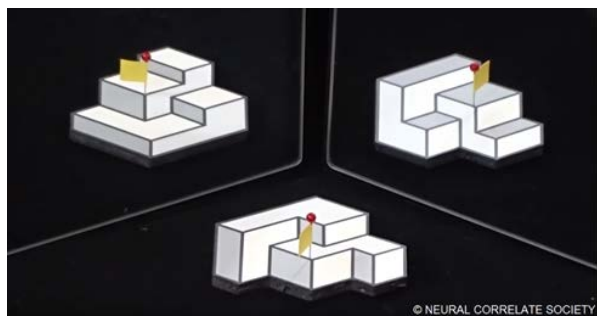


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**Professor Kokichi Sugihara's Original Optical Illusion wins the first prize at the
"Best Illusion of the Year Contest, 2018"**



The Director of the Meiji Institute for Advanced Study of Mathematical Sciences (MIMS), Professor Kokichi Sugihara, successfully took first place at the "Best Illusion of the Year Contest 2018" with his original optical illusion "Triply Ambiguous Object."

Professor Sugihara's victory in this contest marks his third overall award in the field of optical illusion. (He won 2nd place two times in addition.)

Name of Professor Sugihara's optical illusion: **"Triply Ambiguous Object"**

Please check the website "Best Illusion of The Year Contest 2018" ><http://illusionoftheyear.com/>

[Professor Sugihara's Comments]

My ambiguous object has three interpretations, while most of well-known ambiguous pictures have only two interpretations. The object itself is an ordinary 2D picture, but the way of seeing it is new; this illusion might give new material for studying human visual perception. This is one of results of MIMS activity for the Private University Research Branding Project "Math Everywhere: Meiji University Doing Mathematical Sciences," where we place emphasis on easily-understandable presentation of our researches. So it is my great pleasure to release this new illusion with the honor of the first prize.



For an easy-to-understand video explaining Professor Sugihara's research, visit:

Optical Illusionist (Incredible Senseis at Meiji University #1)

>https://youtu.be/qZGDxOWd_M8 (English Subtitles)

>https://youtu.be/saY7ek_UhFM (Japanese Subtitles)

><https://youtu.be/acPYjcWoHaE> (Chinese Subtitles)

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><http://www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english/about/news/2018/enjsp3000000apw5.html>

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