

Can Christianity and Science Both be True?



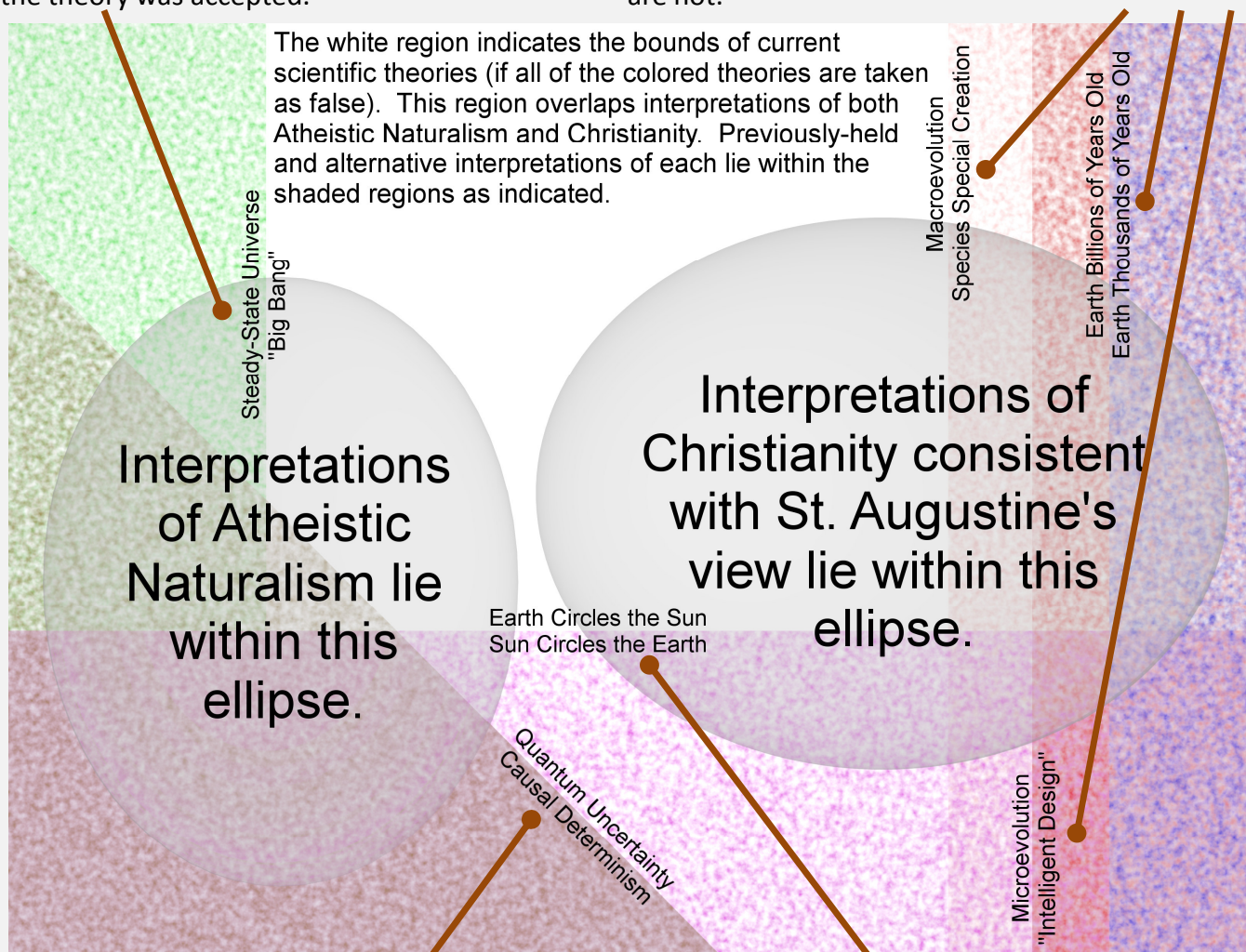
Scientists and Christians, when they are at their best, each seek truth. Assertions of Scientific and Christian opposition are often oversimplifications based on a particular interpretation of both the Bible and scientific theories. The current state of affairs is shown below, along with summaries of some relevant events.

The "Big Bang" Theory

When Astronomer (and Catholic priest) Georges LeMaitre proposed an explosive beginning for the universe at a fixed time, Sir Fred Hoyle (who favored an infinite, steady-state solution) called it the "Big Bang." The name stuck, even after the theory was accepted.

Darwinian Evolution

Francis Collins and Kenneth Miller each describe how evolution and creation are consistent, while Evolutionism (a false tying of evolution to Naturalism) and Creationism (a strict literal interpretation of Genesis from an Earth-centered point of view) are not.



Quantum Uncertainty

Naturalists long assumed that the current state of the universe depended entirely on the just-previous state of the universe. Quantum uncertainty shows this not to be true even in the absence of external forces.

Galilean Solar System

Augustine, a bishop in the early church, warned against declaring as divine truth any particular theory because science changes over time as it approaches truth. His warning has not always been heeded.