**FIGURE 1-19** Imaginary map of all the physics formulas.

**FIGURE 1-20** Forgotten facts can be recreated by triangulating from known facts.
"...the street finds its own uses for things"

-- William Gibson, *Burning Chrome*

"The owner of the memex, let us say, is interested in the origin and properties of the bow and arrow. Specifically he is studying why the short Turkish bow was apparently superior to the English long bow in the skirmishes of the Crusades. He has dozens of possibly pertinent books and articles in his memex. First he runs through an encyclopedia, finds an interesting but sketchy article, leaves it projected. Next in a history, he finds another pertinent item."

To address societal problems during his later years, Bohm wrote a proposal for a solution that has become known as "Belman Dialogue", in which equal status and "free space" form the most important prerequisites of communication and the appreciation of differing personal beliefs. He suggested that if these Dialogue groups were experienced on a sufficiently wide scale, they could help overcome the isolation and fragmentation Bohm observed.

"And here we might discern the nature of virtuality. I heap endless scorn on the idea that the organization of information resembles the world or seeks to model the world. Rather, the system is not simply about something, it is something. It is a machine that has deterritorialized certain elements of the world and that functions as a machine hooked into all sorts of other..."
“I saw the best minds of my generation destroyed by Facebook (Social-Network-Which-Must-Not-Be-Named)”
“I was made for the library, not the classroom. The classroom was a jail of other people’s interests. The library was open, unending, free.”

Ta-Nehisi Coates, *Between the World and Me*