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n.

An object whose parts, at infinitely many levels of magnification, appear geometrically similar to the whole. Fractals are used in the design of compact antennas and for computer modeling of natural-looking structures like clouds and trees.

[French, from Latin *fractus*, past participle of *frangere*, to break; see [FRACTION](#).]

frac tal *adj.*



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fractal

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