

Vědomí a jednání v postmoderní teorii úmyslu

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ÚMYSL, VĚDOMÍ A JEDNÁNÍ *

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- Problémy vymezení pojmů „úmysl, vědomí a jednání“ [1], jejich souvislostí a vzniku jsou trvalkami filosofie, psychologie a společenských nauk od jejich počátků
- Pokusím se tyto pojmy vřadit do postmoderní teorie systémů [2]

[1] Pokus o vyjádření v češtině konceptů *intention, experience and action*

[2] Jung: „Postmodern systems theory“. www.richardjung.cz/05f.pdf

LET THERE BE FORM

- There is **indefiniteness**
- **Diascopes & synscopes** in indefiniteness **create forms**
- A **diascope** creates a **spacetime**
- A **syncope** creates an **entity** extended in spacetime
- **Interactions** between entities **occasion dia- & synscopes**
- We perceive entities as **swaths** in spacetime
- We may think of an entity as a **thing**
&/or as a **system**
- To things we assign **names & properties**;
for systems we construct **structures & states**

THE FIRST FEW DAYS OF EK-SISTENCE

- For **things** to ek-sist, we construct **homes** (niches) and **neighborhoods** and let them clutter them with other things
- For **systems** to in-exist in our minds, we construct **environments**, inhabited by boundary conditions & if we are generous, by other systems
- We then marvel at the mêler that enfolds before our senses & minds – **the unintended & unexpected interaction of our constructions**
 - Here & now, we shall discuss only systems

THE LAST DAYS OF CONSTRUCTION

- To make sense of the booming buzzing confusion for which we are responsible:
- We invent **logical objectivism** & **logical subjectivism**
- We construct **systems** as **objects** and as **subjects**
- We thus become **epistemological dualists**
NOT ontological dualists
- We construct an **object** as an **Ens movens**
& a **subject** as an **Ens Agens**
- We give Ens Movens **physical spacetime** to cavort in &
Ens Agens a **semiotic spacetime** to create confusion in
- We construct Ens movens a systems of **energy** in
principle explainable by **thermodynamics**;
Ens agens as systems of **meaning** in principle
explainable by (as yet not fully developed) **informatics**

ALL SYSTEMS ARE EQUAL

- - at least formally & can be treated by the same methods
- Here & now, we shall discuss only **Ens Agens**
- Ens Agens is extended in **semiotic spacetime**
- The center of subjectivity of Ens Agens is a **Self**
- The Self is spread in space as a **heterarchy**;
ek-sists in time as an **Itinerant Self**;
is **voracious**: it **metabolizes indefiniteness**

IN POSTMODERN SYSTEMS THEORY

- Systems ek-sist in spacetime through maintenance of a **boundary**
- Boundary distinguishes between **inner & outer environment**
- The mutual structuring of the boundary & its environments defines the **system's own spacetime**
- Boundaries, environments and spacetimes are **local & temporary**
- They may be generalized to the extent that **covariance rules between transformations of the boundaries** of different systems can be formulated

INTENTION

- Every system has a **boundary**
- Boundary is a set of points that are **neither outside nor inside** the system
- Its deformations are **intentions**
- The outside of the boundary is the **shell**
- Its deformations are **actions**
- The inside of the boundary is the **hull**
- Its deformations are **experiences**

EXPERIENCE & ACTION

- **Intention** is a relation between Self & its environment
- It may be constructed as **complementaries: experience &/or action**
- System of intentions
- Variational analysis & **essential variables**
- General principle: **maximum possible reduction of in-authenticity** under given boundary conditions

SUBSYSTEMS OF INTENTION - I

- Analytic sub-systems
 - Scholastic faculties
- Motivation
 - Cathexis
- Orientation
 - Cognition
- Decision
 - Conation

SUBSYSTEMS OF INTENTION - II

Maximum possible reduction of

- **tension** by motivation
- **uncertainty** by orientation
- **risk** by decision

under given boundary conditions

- which, for each subsystem, are the outcomes of the other two subsystems
- & the general principle of intention:
minimal in-authenticity = maximal ek-sistence

CONSTRUCTION OF SPACETIME AND FORMS

- Operation of the general principle of intention:
- reduces in-authenticity = maximizes ek-sistence
 - Deforms **entities** & their local **spacetime**
 - creates **swaths** in spacetime
 - In Ens agens constructs the **Self**
 - The Self acts as **guardian of forms (Being)**

THE SELF METABOLIZES INDEFINITENESS

- The **Self** is not only heterarchical in space & itinerant in time
- It also **digests & excretes indefiniteness, by structuring** it in **successive modal categories**
- **Experience and action are modal converters**

ORIENTATION, DECISION & MOTIVATION

- Operation of all three analytic subsystems of intention
 - is reflected in experience & in action
 - takes equal part in metabolizing indefiniteness
 - Cannot present here & now
 - Shall only sketch the characteristics & influence of orientation

PHASES OF ORIENTATION

- Orientation
- Discourse
- Judgment

Cf. Jung: "Systems of orientation ..." www.RichardJung.cz/04f.pdf

OPERATING ON INDEFINITENESS 1

Constructing **telic** & **epistemic** systems

- Operators
 - **Subjectifying**
 - Emphasizing
 - Polarizing
 - **Objectifying**
 - Annihilating
 - Neutralizing

OPERATING ON INDEFINITENESS 2

Constructing 3 **simple** & 3 **combined** telic & epistemic systems each

- Operators
 - **Field**
 - Variables
 - Relations
 - **Combinatory**
 - Correspondence rules
 - Transfer procedures

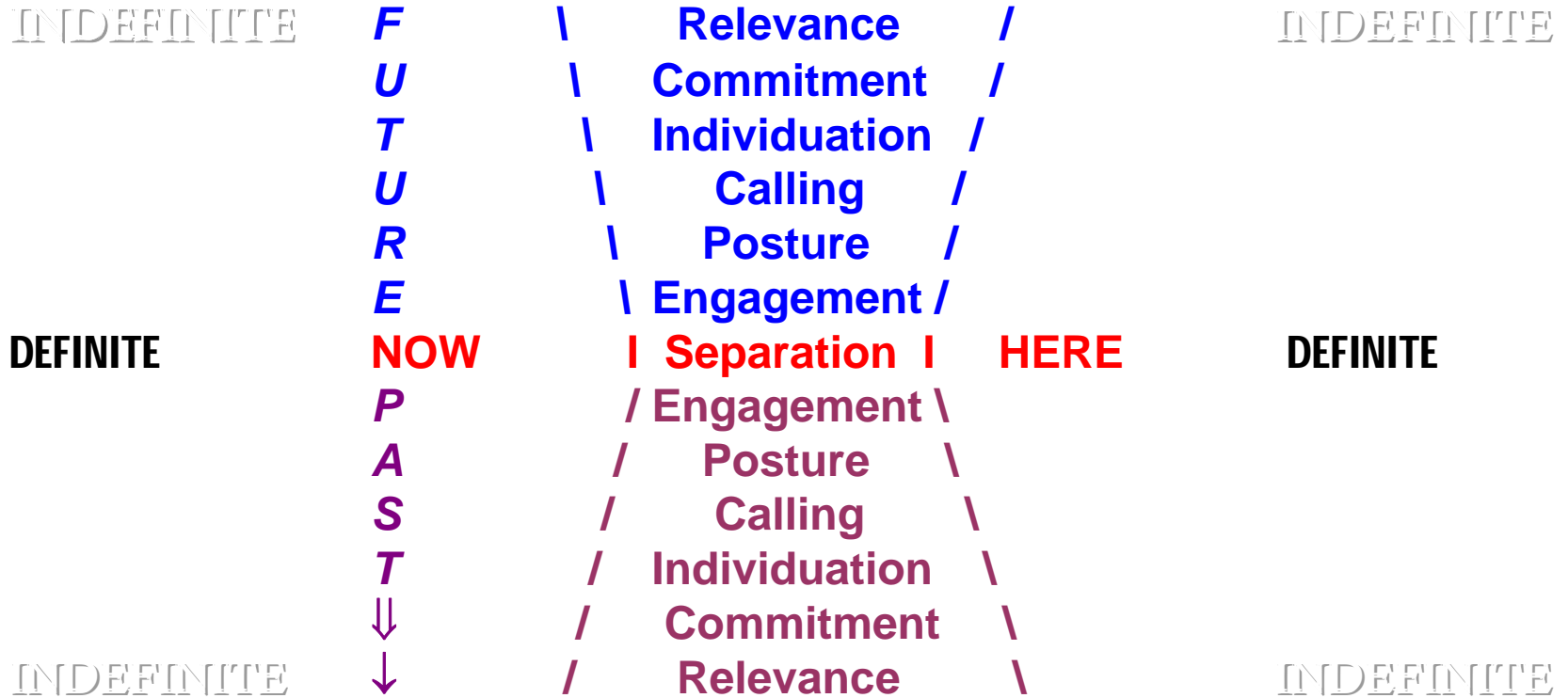
MODALITIES

- Epistemic
 - *POTENTIALITY*
 - Absolute
with respect to what is co-variant
under the objectifying operation
- Actual
- Meaningful (Possible)
- Necessary
- Real
- Ideal
- Permissible
- Telic
 - *RELEVANCE*
 - Relative to
(contingent on) the selection by
the subjectifying operation
- Separation
- Commitment
- Individuation
- Engagement
- Calling (Appointment)
- Posture

SWATH OF EPISTEMIC EXPERIENCE



SWATH OF TELIC EXPERIENCE



OBJECTIVE & SUBJECTIVE EK-SISTENCE

Actuality + separation = ek-sistence =
experience of a Self different from the World

Having eaten from the tree of modal knowledge
→ the problem of authenticity



Reconstruction of the Self &/or the World