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Arms & Legs & Time You are just like the bird who can only be trusted with a grasp of the immediate task, which is to be completed within a very short time. We cannot follow our deeds through. - mind

Your body of the future, at whatever stage it may be, needs, is based upon, all its organs in time, of which you-as-human are one. Your body is a time-body. Its functioning is time functioning. ~~Go through~~ The quickest means of getting at your outer body is by sight (light), the slowest is by "evolution"

Science is studying our outer limbs, observing them. Gradually it is finding that they are intimately linked with this human

body : e.g. effect of solar radiation on health. But gradually
Science will find out that there are our limbs. Like a
baby coming to realise that a part of the world is "itself."

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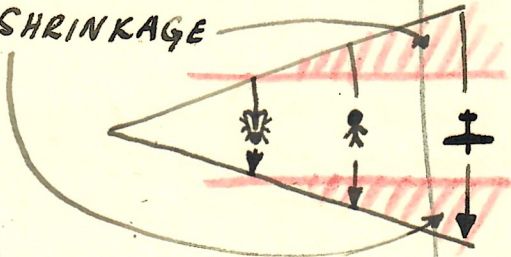
The Aura: ^{The Window Pane} Time-scale, Spacious Present, Space-Time limits

- ① There is a different space-scale for every ring of the aura, & with it, a different time-scale.
- ② As we descend towards the centre, while the monad's "field" (curr) remains the same less & less space is included in the field: in other words space is expanding, till, at the centre, it is infinite. It is infinite ^{because none of it is grasped.}
- ③ And as we ascend towards the circumference, more & more space is included in the 'constant' field: space is shrinking, till, at the circumference, it disappears. It disappears ^{because all of it is grasped!} *

④ But note what happens to time when space thus shrinks upwards from our level, & swells downwards from our level.

⑤ We must take the field as 'constant'.

SHRINKAGE



I am looking through my window at an aeroplane travelling at 250 M.P.H. I see also a man, much nearer, travelling at 4 M.P.H. And on the window-pane

a fly, travelling at .001 M.P.H.

Now each crosses the window pane in the same time

The Gun: Space & Time. (C) For me they all travel at the same speed. For me the space they cover is the same - each crosses the field, between the glazing bars of my window. And, finally, for me the time each takes is the same.

(Note how here again we unlearn the constructed world of our intellect & pay attention to the bare data. We become naïve, & make a very surprising discovery - that the naïve view is a true one, & that our intellectually constructed world, though practical, is less true.

3) Before going on, let's note the simplicity of the above: it is the very young child's view, the utterly unsophisticated view. The fly, the man, & the aeroplane ~~share~~^{race} one another across the window pane, & the result is a dead heat.

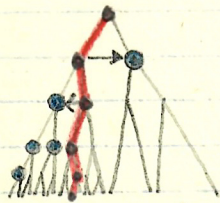


(And the aeroplane, the fly, and the man are all roughly the same size.)

4) Now let us proceed to extend this principle, which is so simple.

For you, the subject at the center, it would seem that the lower, less inclusive monads, are very small, & that monads grow as they become more inclusive.

The Cure * "The higher monads shrink due to their distance from us (as we say)" This needs qualification.



It is not the monads in the direct line of yourself, not those in which you are directly included, that shrink 'due to distance', but those branches of yourself (●) which are your objects at the various levels of your direct Self-line.

And the reason they shrink is that you see these objects - as objects - from yourself at their level. You see Jupiter as from Earth, as in Sun. The stars

shrink because you see them in the SS's shrink
space. This is the true meaning of shrinking space
in perspective: the further the object the higher
the aspect of your Self that observes that object.



The converging railway line shrinks
as it recedes from you. At the
centre of your aura the rails are an
infinite distance apart. At the circumference they
coincide. This is so simply shown in
perspective - how space shrinks as it recedes
from us; - that it is a wonder we don't realise
it. From here space then is shrink.

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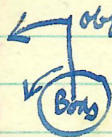
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Perception is Active. Observed motion centres on you ① The Pivot.

Example: when you observe a movement you have to make that movement: your eyes turn with it, then your head, then your whole body. You & the object

← object. are pivotted on a common centre, quite literally. Even the smallest movement

causes you to turn your eye to keep the image focussed on the fovea. Motion in observed bodies is quite literally an extension of your motion. A crowd at



a football match is thus extended: each is the centre of the motions he watches. They are his motions!

Note the "gearing" of the motion: First the eye ①, then the head ②, then the body ③ [Each higher level takes over when the lower has reached its limit. The 'centre' is unmoved: all motion is centred upon it. It is the pivot of the whole]



Then with regard to the Sun, you accept Earth as the centre.

Perception is perception of motion for (a) you see a moving rather than a still object or (b) even still objects you explore actively with your eyes.

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The Pivot The perception is, rather, the motion itself. The motions which are your perception don't stop with your body's motion but go on to the motion of the perceived object. Perception is thus active: $\mathcal{S}$ is an escape from $\mathcal{S}$. Perception is part of the actual evolution from the centre, (from your centre!) of the object. The motion starts with you & proceeds outwards, building up & evolving into what you see.

In a similar manner, when you turn from looking at one star to look at another, you have travelled the space



between them! Like the beam of a searchlight. In the
remote part of your body you are making
of space thus, & of time, even now.
[To be thus making is to see stars. To see
man from such a space-time angle is
to see stars. To see man as man is to
see him at his own tempo.]

Now refer to cards on Centre-shifting & reconcile.
Two opposite processes: Ch 25 = yourself as the Pivot of
the whole. Ch 26 = Centre shifting from man to so on to
Earth, to SS, to Univ & so on. Both necessary.
The first is perception as active & from you as
Centre.

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The Pivot The second is perception as passive $\rightarrow$ with God as centre.

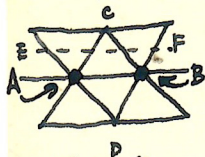
¶ We suppose we cannot understand a mind for whom a million years is as a day or a million miles is as an inch: yet we are such minds! We don't realise that we have, not one space-time view of the world, but a whole range. Time does not for us flow uniformly nor is space evenly extended. Both are graded outwards from us. You observe your whole body in space-time perspective. ¶ Consider the motion of this whole body. If you here move an inch, must not the further parts of you move many miles?!!

This is only another way of saying that my actions go out into space & time in an ever-spreading pattern

You are extended infinitely in every direction so that ultimately your body includes all space & all time. Thus it takes all time for ~~any~~ a stimulus to arrive at one extremity of zero, to be transmitted to the Center, & for the response to arrive back again at that Absolute extremity. It takes All Time for God thus to affect you & to receive back your response. Your physiology involves all space-time.

Spacetime shrinks

Contemporary Events (3) The A.B line is the line of spatial relationship.



at C & D, A & B are not spatially separated.

[Also, as isolates, A & B are not only in uniform

spatial relationship, but they are in extreme

or physical relationship potentially, though not actually for they are isolates.] A - B is the region of uniform space. E.F is

a region where space has altered its dimensions. At C space is eliminated. But E.F is future to A.B, & C is future to E.F.

It seems, then, that space opens out before us in time & closes in behind us. As when we are driving along a

road - we take our wide road along with us

The road widens to fit the car!



Space does not separate us in the past nor in the future. In the present only does space push us apart with its "distance-prices".

When you look into the distance in space you look into distance in time. This law is so simple & obvious it escapes us. We glimpse the Promised Land. The traveller sees his goal; the goal where he will be present with all fellow travellers coming from all directions, before him. He sees into the region where space is eliminated. At present travellers A & B are separated by a space interval, but they can both see the spot C where they are not separated. This spot C is that point in the future where A-B space becomes nil.



What happens to the space of yesterday? When does the space of today come from? The space of yesterday is shrinking behind us & the space of tomorrow is swelling in front of us.

Contemporary Events

④ Looking far afield, we see the Sun & Stars. This is looking at C, a point in our future, a point when we are no longer spatially apart.



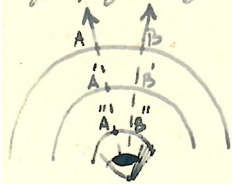
Space when we are not is a different space.

A mile over there, 100 miles away, is a very small dimension indeed. The region of uniform space is just around me, where I am. But this region is very small. All

around me space is shrinking away from me.

Imagine you cannot think depth into what you see, but perceive as upon the surface of a sphere (like the glass of a gun-turret) all you see. Now on this sphere will be very tiny men & very big men, very tiny trees & houses & very big

ones. The little ones have shrunk. Into the same area of the sphere will be compressed the whole universe so far as you can see it, including all the stars. So that all the firmament covers the few square feet of your little gun-lights' glass. Now, reduce the size of your gun turret, & shift one up. The world shrinks almost to nil. Finally it does reduce to nil.



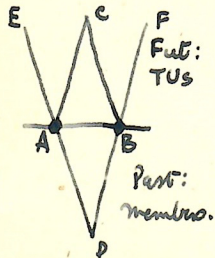
Now note that the distance ~~A-B~~ is for me one distance, whether between 2 stars or 2 specks in the glass of my gun-turret. To me the stars are as far apart as the specks of dust.

Where everything meets in my gun-turret is in the whole. But how can things coincide in this hemispherical area? They can do so only when A-B becomes 0: i.e. when the gun turret shrinks to a point; i.e. at the centre



Spacetime Shrinks Contemporary Events

⑤ The point to remember is that AB is for me
a fixed dimension; but it may include the distance between 2
universes or the distance between my fingers. And it may include
0 space or the whole - or rather $0 \leq \infty$ for the inclusion of
0 is the condition of the inclusion of ∞ : Ah, ~~but~~

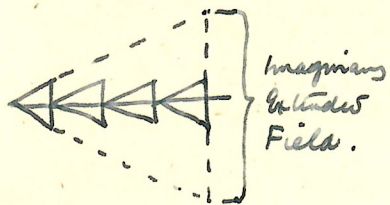


You will never see God till your A-B goes
to D. Till your AB becomes 0 it will
never include ∞ .

This idea of a constant fixed system of spatial
relations outside me is purely the selection of
one particular A.B. position as correct, for social
purposes. But it is a convention.
[My experience of making the right on the wing of a D.C. 3 is big

doneed buildings on the ground below, new through sharp glass.
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The very nature of the distant world of sun & stars etc is to be
'small'. Stars are never large. Space spread out is always
here. If you went towards the star it would disappear. In
the  this we imagine a Seer whose field
could go on increasing as he approached the star, to take
the star as star. But this is impossible.



Stars are small things.

There is always plenty of room
in the universe, elbow-room,
because we make our own room
as we go about.