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## How does the infinite realise itself?

How does the infinite realise itself? Infinitely, for we can conceive no limit to number. But if, realising itself, it realises itself by itself, the infinite, in becoming other than itself, does not pass from itself, is itself in *the other*.

Is not the infinite the idea of number? Idea of number = idea of plurality. Idea is one, plurality is many in the idea of plurality. One = many.

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