



Hypnosis, Semiotics and Epistemology

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Is a Science of the human being possible?



The A-theoretical Approach of Milton Erickson

- The insistence to be a-theoretical
- Why?
- (dialogue with Peirce, Deely, Seif and others ...)

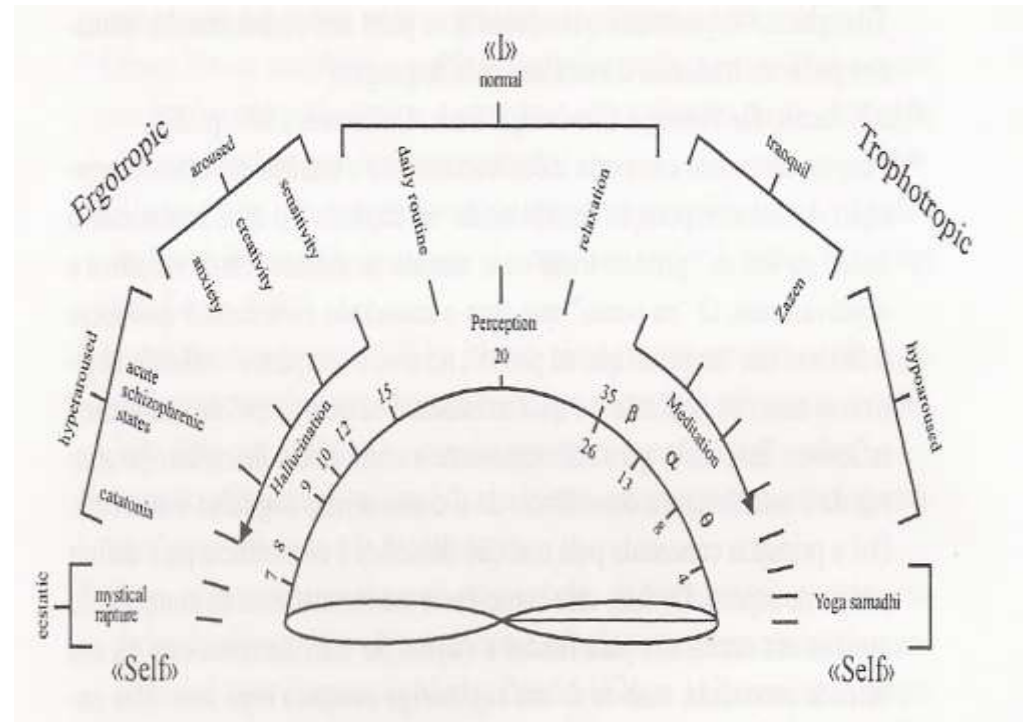


A Metaphysical Problem

A reality that could be known by navigation (Seif, 2019), but that is not docile to the Modern Science paradigm;

Erickson known how to navigate ... To touch and to be touched ... (transmodernity)

The seven metaphysical systems (Peirce, 1903)



Experience is our great Master

Epistemological
condition: What
does experience
require of the
Inquirer?

Against the
methodological
imperialism



Hypnotic Realities

Our concept of hypnosis (Neubern, 2016)

Hypnogenesis (Stengers, 2002)

Indirect approach (Erickson, Rossi, 1980)

Protagonist and “work with”
(utilization – Erickson)

No absoluteness (Seif, 2019)
(time/space, matter)

Paradoxes (Seif, 2019)



Hypnotic Realities

Transgression of otherness
(Petrilli, 2017)

Multiple selves (Morin, 1991)

Desirable outcomes beyond
results (Seif, 2019)

Recreating Realities



Three Epistemological Attitudes

It takes at least three to study hypnosis

Firstness, secondness and thirdness in aspiral progression



The First Attitude

Firstness. "To be with"
(abduction)

Acceptance (*Accordare*)

I'm an Icon – iconicity

Transgression of otherness (a
gentle kind of trance)

To be available

Sensibility (feelings; "telepathy")



The Second Attitude

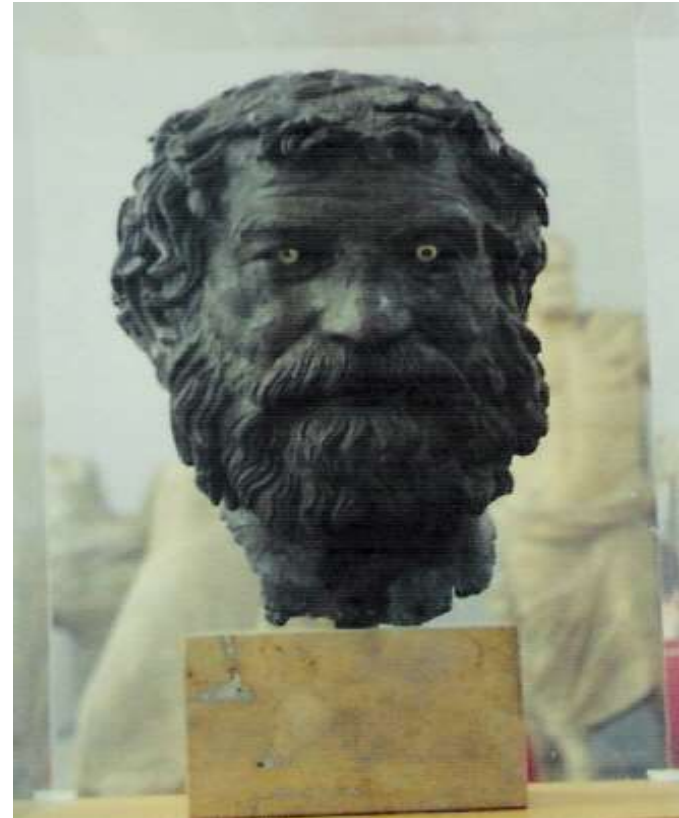
Secondness

Technique and
interaction; we think we
are indexes ...
(deduction)

Choreography

“Concrete” touch

How the subjects can
dance their own musics



The Third Attitude

Thirdness

Concepts, habits (induction)

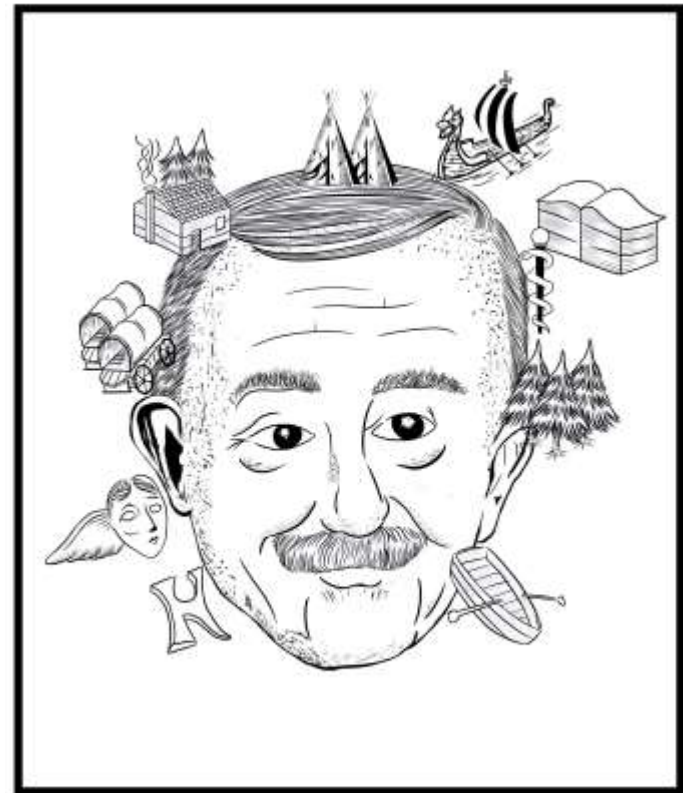
How semiotic concepts read this reality

Agency, meaning

Reflexivity (in therapy, and Ethos)

Meeting of worlds

“What the navigation left within the navigator?”



How can we study hypnosis?

It is still a question ...

Articulate the modes of reasoning

Construction of information

- Deformation (2th)
- Formation (1th)
- Transformation (3th)

Desirable outcomes



How can we study hypnosis?

The individual and the community

Different kinds of dialogue
(ego, self, ethos).
Suprasubjectivity (Deely,
2009)

The public reflection

The meeting of worlds: can
we speak about others?
(Nathan, 2014)

Who legitimates the
navigation?



Thank You



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