

Philosophy 190E: Hegel's Logic

Short Writing Assignment 5

Due Tues., Nov. 16

Instructions

Note: this assignment is for students in Group II *only*.

As explained on the syllabus, the assignment is due by e-mail to the instructor. You may send it at any time on the due date (i.e., up to midnight, if you want to be precise).

Please respond to the following in two pages or less (double spaced). (Needless to say this should be your own original work.)

Consider the following table:

ground	mere possibility
existence	contingency
thing (<i>Ding</i>)	Thing (<i>Sache</i>)

Explain, based on the outline of the Doctrine of Essence as a whole, why we expect to find a certain relationship between the items in the first column and the corresponding items in the second column (note that in some cases a sub-moment stands in for a whole development — justify this). How does each moment in the second column differ from the one in the first? Explain how in each case the difference results from the fact that the aspect of immediate essence (essence as ground of existence) contained in the first column has been united with appearance (has turned out to be its own mere appearance).