

- **Introduction**

- The K problem is the question of the manner of communication “night shift”
  - The unconscious sometimes provides the answer
  - But doesn't *speak* to us, it gives an image
  - McC answer: unconscious hasn't learned language yet
- Problems with this:
  - Seemingly an isolated problematic. A problem McC is interested in, but not particularly anyone else but he and his friends
  - Questionable claims:
    - Language != thought
    - Pictures not linguistic, but language defined symbolically
    - Inaccuracies:
      - UCS does sometimes speak
    - Controversies
      - Can we be defined as machines?
      - Can we really encounter anything without having a word for it?
      - What is the UCS? Can it be spoken about as another agency?

- **Method (Heideggerian)**
  - no philosophical engagement occurs in isolation.
    - Even though it may seem to be a curiosity McC has stumbled upon, K Problem grounded in basic philosophical problems
    - The difficulty is McC does not himself make an issue of these problems, or sufficiently question his presuppositions
  - Problem: how can the self talk to itself:
    - The true problem is not of the UCS or the night shift
      - These are not fundamental problems, but come with their own baggage:
        - Certain concept:
          - ucs
          - Language
          - Thinking
          - Imagination
    - A problem (in Heideggerian method) needs to be taken to its basic components.
      - I am not conscious of every aspect of my thinking
      - Dreams and moods reveal insight to me that must belong to me, even though I didn't make this insight consciously

- **Unpacking the problem. How:**
  - can the self have knowledge concealed from itself
    - Freud's question
    - Sartre, bad faith
      - How can we lie to ourselves?
      - If we have the knowledge, we can't be deceived. If we are deceived we can't have the knowledge
    - Cartesian problem. (Descartes stayed too long at the dinner table)
      - Mind conceived of as a box, ucs as another box
      - UCS puts its insight into the box of CS with an image.
    - ~~This aspect of the problem is a consequence of how it has been conceived, not a genuine problem. It proceeds from a Cartesian concept of selfhood~~
  - Remaining problem: how can the self speak to itself
    - 1) Surely the self should already know (problem of ucs)
    - 2) Language is public, for the other. There is no private language

- **Heidegger and the call of the self:**
  - H hits on a similar problem when talking about existential guilt
    - Ordinary guilt is being the reason for a lack in the other
      - Debt
      - Theft
    - Existential guilt is not about the world, but about my existence and possibilities
      - Fluffy example from phd
    - Guilt is therefore the self calling itself back to itself
  - But, the call is silent
    - No words are spoken
    - But responsibility is made manifest through anxiety
  - Answer: the call has to be silent
    - Language is for the other
    - So the only mode of discourse that can be private (not public) is one of silence.

- Alternative answer to the kekule problem
  - UCS does not speak because discourse draws us out of ourselves to the world
  - It remains silent so as to cut across the hubbub.