

APPENDIX #10A.  
TO THE PROPAEDEUTICS FOR  
“PHILOSOPHY OF PURE REASON  
SUB SPECIE AETERNITATIS.”

CYNICAL  
LOGIC.

As an introduction to this appendix I would recommend the reading Hegel's *The Encyclopedia Logic*.

The Law of identity: 'Whatever is becoming, is becoming to be NOTHING.'

The Law of contradiction: 'NOTHING can both be NOTHING and become SOMETHING.'<sup>1</sup>

The Law of the excluded middle: 'NOTHING must either become SOMETHING or be NOTHING.'<sup>2</sup>

The Law of unprincipledness : one must always contradict oneself<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> BIB: Aristotle, "Metaphysics", [1007<sup>β</sup>, 20-35]

"Existence and non-existence can be equally predicated of all that which is conceived to exist; and non-existence cannot to any greater degree than existence be affirmed of all that is conceived not to exist." BIB:(19.37), [p.13]

<sup>2</sup> "There are those who, as we said, both themselves assert that it is possible for the same thing to be and not to be, and assert that it is possible to believe so. Many even of writers on nature make use of this statement. But we have just accepted that it is impossible to be and not be simultaneously, and we have shown by means of this that it is the firmest of all principles." BIB:(1.10), [1005<sup>α</sup>, 20]

<sup>3</sup> "...the propositions of logic demonstrate the logical properties of propositions by combining them so as to form propositions that say nothing. This method could also be called a zero-method. In a logical proposition, propositions are brought into equilibrium with one another, and the state of equilibrium then indicates what the logical constitution of these propositions must be(6.121). This throws some light on the question why logical propositions cannot be confirmed by experience any more than they can be refuted by it. Not only must a proposition of logic be irrefutable by any possible experience, but it must also be unconfirmable by any possible experience(6.1222). The logic of the world, which is shown in tautologies by the propositions of logic, is shown in equations by mathematics(6.22). A proposition of mathematics does not express a thought(6.21)." BIB:(24.15)