

# KANT ON EMPIRICAL AND TRANSCENDENTAL FUNCTIONS OF MEMORY

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## Abstract

The aim of this paper is to defend that memory is a fundamental faculty that plays empirical and transcendental functions in human cognition and to show that memory relies on “tensed” and “un-tensed properties” of time. In my view, it is not clear the relation between memory and the a priori conditions that, according to Kant’s transcendental philosophy, render experience possible because of a lack of a wide discussion about the importance of memory in the *Critique of pure Reason* (CPR), especially in the A edition. In the **first** section, I shall focus on the methodological characteristics of the Kantian pragmatic analysis of the empirical function of memory; in the **second** section, I analyze the empirical function of memory; in the **third** section, I shall argue that memory has a transcendental functions as long as is fundamental for the possibility of experience and lies at the basis of human cognition; finally in the **fourth** section I argue that memory leans on “tensed” and “un-tensed” properties of time.