

MODES OF EXISTENCE

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SCHOOL		TYPE OF PHENOMENA	1. ULTIMATE EXISTENCE 2. TRUE EXISTENCE 3. EXISTENCE AS ITS OWN REALITY	TRUE ESTABLISHMENT	EXISTENCE BY WAY OF ITS OWN CHARACTER	1. INHERENT EXISTENCE 2. EXISTENCE FROM ITS OWN SIDE
VAIBHASIKA (Great Exposition)		Conventional truths	NO	YES		
		Ultimate truths	YES			
SAUTRANTIKA (Sutra)		Conventional truths	NO			YES
		Ultimate truths	YES			
CITTAMATRA (Mind Only)		Imputational constructs	NO			YES
		Other-powered phenomena	YES			
		Thoroughly established phenomena	YES			
MADHYAMAKA (Middle Way)	Svatantrika (Autonomy)	All phenomena (conventionally)	NO		YES	
		All phenomena (ultimately)	NO			
	Prasangika (Consequence)	All phenomena (conventionally)	NO			
		All phenomena (ultimately)	NO			