

# The Metaphysical Shift and the Financialization of the Surviving World

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**Abstract:** Globalization, informatization and financialization together constitute the most basic characteristics of the contemporary human living world, and the turn of metaphysics has just become the ideological expression of the spirit of The Times. To find the core of the program, must be the survival of the world human practice behavior pattern with the expression and the concept of ideological movement of ontology, through the deep nature of metaphysical fit dialysis and financing, constantly “open” is “cover” era, through the support of modernity development in different stages of reflection and the existence of the world endogenous correlation two-way questioning can find its internal axis logic.

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## Introduction

How does philosophy observe the reality? Why is reality the material for philosophical reflection? Every philosopher has a different understanding. Hegel described his philosophy as “the owl of Mina”, while Marx responded with “the rooster of the dawn”. Heidegger said: “Philosophy activities have always been such a knowledge: this knowledge can not be appropriate, but put The Times under its own criterion.” This just responds to Marx’s philosophy. Whether lagging behind or forward-looking, it is nothing more than to convey such a basic idea: philosophy’s attention to The Times is not abstract and intuitive, it is a rational attention and pay attention to the inevitability of reality. Globalization, informatization and financialization together constitute the most basic characteristics of the contemporary human living world, and the metaphysical turn has just become the ideological expression of the spirit of The Times. To find the core of the program, must be the financial survival world human practice behavior pattern with the thoughtful expression and the concept of the movement of ontology, through the deep nature of metaphysical and metaphysical fit dialysis financial, constantly “open” is “cover” era, through the support of modernity development metaphysics in different stages of reflection and the financial existence of the world endogenous correlation two-way questioning can find its internal axis logic.

## 1. Substive industrial capital and subjective metaphysics

Since Descartes, philosophers are no longer indulge in the source of the world, metaphysics from platonic “present metaphysics” flip for “subject metaphysics”, philosophy completely bid farewell to the natural method reading and writing schema, reflection on the individual value of human beings completed from the natural law of human living state transition to the rational control of completely free leap. The establishment of subjectivity metaphysics makes the “rational” power of subjectivity penetrate into all fields. Khon thinks: “subjectivity is consciousness,... is the attribute or behavior of individual human beings, human nationality is aware of various manifestations (appearance) and phenomena, and to show itself to us... it is the general consciousness of all anything, field or manifestations.” This implies such a trend: the structure of subjective factors such as consciousness, desire, and the spirit makes the human living world enter a new stage, and at the same time causes insurmountable binary opposition. Professor zhang xiong from the perspective of modern development of subjectivity philosophy and modern capital generation endogenous correlation profoundly revealed: subjectivity philosophy is the core of the modernity of speculative logic, and the subjective capital is an important foundation of modern social survival ontology, subjectivity philosophy only through the interpretation of subjectivity capital, to touch the real historical space, the philosophy of logic center and capital logic center have relationship with each other. This connection exists in the objectified world in the era of industrial capital of Marx: “In commodities, especially in commodities as capital products, there has been the materialization of social production regulations and the subjectivity of the material basis of production as the characteristics of the whole capitalist mode of production.” To the corresponding is the middle of the 19th

century, the western capitalist society in a major historical transition, the mode of production by factory handicraft industry to machine big industrial transition, the advancement of the industrial civilization in made a new state of the world at the same time, the human way of survival and values thoroughly overturned, materialization, industrialization, unidirectional, grand narrative become the distinguishing feature of modernity, accompanied by the capital of the human spirit, the polarization of rich and poor, the destruction of the ecological environment, and many other consequences, modernity into the stage of double back.

## **2. Volitional metaphysics: an early hearing of the financialized world**

At the beginning of the 20th century, the capitalist system of the financial transformation, the second international important theorist he pavilion in the book “financial capital” to financial capital as the dominant form of capitalist new development of economic research, he believes that an important feature of modern capitalism is “ more and more close relationship between bank capital and industrial capital..... Because of this relationship, capital takes its own highest and most abstract form of expression, namely the form of financial capital.”As a new form of capital, financial capital is formed by the integration of two different forms of bank capital and industrial capital in the early stage, and this” integration “becomes the” fetus “ in the new stage of capitalism. Lenin, who included politicians, philosophers and economists, regarded this form as a “dialectical whole” and rose to the ideological level, defined by “imperialism”. However, it is the philosopher who first perceived this historical transition, so philosophy is the “rooster” beyond time. Through the reversal of “rational metaphysics” represented by Nietzsche, the “socialist metaphysics” measured the financialization in the form of “thinking” in the form of “thinking” in the embryonic period. Just as Nietzsche said, only the future people can understand his philosophy.

First, turn the rational metaphysics into the metaphysics of the will to power through the reversal of the relationship between mind and body. Nietzsche holds that the “man”, as the subject, is will and desire rather than reason. “ Not only our reason, but also our conscience, are subordinate to our most powerful desires, and to this autocratic monarch in our hearts.”Therefore,” life is the will to power “, its essence lies in the infinite promotion of oneself and dominate the others. In the context of the development of modernity, the socialist philosophy embodies on the surface that human beings try to break away from the cage of modernity under the control of capital investment, and can also be reduced to the escape and alienation of virtual capital to industrial capital in the context of financialization. First, the power will reflect the beginning of origin, independent initiative and transcendence can and financial capital liquidity and “hunting”, capital in the form of monetary and financial holding means the strongest liquidity, in different financial business, financial instruments, financial institutions and around the world and different countries free flow and conversion, realize the maximization effect of surplus value segmentation. Corresponding to the will to power as the fundamental standard for revaluing everything, financial capital has acquired the hegemony like “Zeus” at a high speed, and all values should be measured and controlled by financial capital, which is manifested as a unified power in the social life process of “ King’s Landing.”Including in the early stage of the formation of the financial capital, the industrial capital that breeds it should also be swallowed up by the financial capital like a” solar eclipse “. As Nietzsche philosophy “superman” trying to break the status of god in Christianity and Socrates since the traditional rationalism absolute rational concept, financial capital by destroying as a secular world Christian industrial capital after become “the last man”, become a new “god”, this just confirms the “financial” as the final liquidation of “ultimate” meaning. Secondly, “Dionysian spirit” and “god spirit” are abstract expression of the spiritual situation of people in the financial living world. What “Dionysian spirit” pursues is the impulse of life instinct, the individual life is fleeting, and the affirmation of life must transcend the individual horizon. Through negation of individuality, the will of the principle of individuality, so as to give people “the pleasure of individual destruction”. In the financialization survival world, the human spirit is manipulated by the desire of human nature, the expansion of the will determines the expansion degree of capital, wealth from the purpose to admit means, people no longer care about the flow of industrial capital input and output, just remember a code can gain wealth, constantly denied, fleeting “value” become the expression of self, beating Numbers and symbols constitute the momentum of life, and leave the fixed capital has become material ruins and forgotten.”The spirit of the sun god” is reflected in the attitude of high static observation, an attitude of watching the play, but also an attitude of rational thinking. The gods values harmony, restriction, and calmness with philosophy. In the static observation to obtain the aesthetic or artistic ecstasy, rather than in the external expression of life in the restlessness into the realm of transcendence. In the financialized living world, human desire is notSec-

ond, the will-socialist philosophy is based on “man is an unformed animal”, believing that the meaning of the world is given by the subject, that the meaning of the world or things to the subject itself is the meaning of the world, and that the standard of truth is also the standard of man. In the process of “unfinalized”, people constantly deny themselves, overcome themselves and surpass themselves, which is the ontological interpretation of financial capital constantly challenging its own limits and constantly surpassing itself. Marx in the “Das Kapital” fully demonstrates the capital form of the corresponding power relations, monetary capital as has yet to finalize the design, has the strongest sex and the biggest development potential, once the monetary capital into industrial capital, capital power is materialized and realistic, the materialized end in the form of “commodity”, commodity capital power is for the price in the market, through the market exchange, once again start a new round of power transformation. And a significant feature of financial capital is “not finalize the design”, to overcome the industrial capital materialized sex reduction, with the aid of information technology, through securitization, symbolic in the form of the industrial capital to financial capital “butterfly”, “butterfly” financial capital in the process of “hunting” no longer clinging to convert industrial capital or choose fixed on the industrial capital, but through the industrial capital for the abstract, the value for abstract value to maximize the surplus value of segmentation. Due to the openness and uncertainty of market value, it is entirely possible for the capital of the whole society to choose a value entity to speculate at the same time. Financial capital realizes the purpose of dividing the surplus value of the whole society through the abstraction of this value entity, and then pulls out again and continues to speculate in the way of “hunting”. Therefore, financial capital is always in the process of “unstereotyped” evolution and expansion, constantly challenging and breaking the limit of the surplus value maximization.

Third, Nietzsche is committed to ending the rational era in which mankind constantly created idols, constantly set up ideals, and constantly pursued progress, which reached its peak in Hegel’s “absolute spirit”. While Nietzsche called his philosophy platonism reversed, the perceptual world is real, the idea of the world is unreal: “ ‘real world’ —— a no longer have any use, no longer have any binding idea, —— a useless, redundant idea, thus is a refuted idea: let us abolish it!” Nietzsche tried to deconstruct the cage of reason, with the emotions of the original existence state of people, eliminate the frame of capital, and disintegrate the universal eternal capital that Hegel proved for the isomorphism of capitalist wealth with speculative philosophy. However, “will to power” has become the new “god” of human beings, and the “genealogy” research method created by Nietzsche has created a new “historical” dogma, which has proved the “absolute” concept achieved by Hegel through “historical” spiritual reflection at a deeper abstract level. Nietzsche do thinking depth reflects the financial capital in a more abstract level deduce the infinite expansion of capital logic, financial capital extraction out of industrial capital, “factory” although no longer become workers free place, but “work” and “work” line by financial capital, ubiquitous financial network has locked the people’s life, “credit system” with the help of network, information makes the people in life directly with capital, capital, “one way” from the body to the depths of the spirit, modernity confusion in a more hidden way embedded in people’s spiritual world.

### **3. Heidegger’s existence philosophy: the post-golden melting era**

After the second half of the 20th century, New features have emerged in financial capital, Through the two-way integration of financial capital and industrial capital, and of financial capital and financial capital itself, Formed a highly integrated capital form in the financial field, Integrated capital obtains stronger liquidity and flexible initiative in the form of unified financial assets, From individuals to large monopolies that have the power to acquire financial capital in the form of holding financial assets, At the same time, while being controlled by it, The world economic system dominated by financial capital has three main characteristics: first, the financial market has become the most important market in the human economic system; Second, interest rate, exchange rate and asset price become the three key price signals; Third, the code of conduct of enterprises changed from selling goods to the pursuit of “stock market value”. After the 1970s, The collapse of the Bretton Woods system ushered humanity into the era of “anchorless money”, Western economics supported by the old theoretical system also lost the last piece of life-saving sail after the collapse of “gold” in the era of industrial capital, In the field of philosophy, All kinds of postmodernist philosophies characterized by deconstructing “subjectivity” and “metaphysics” are surging in droves, The concepts of “division”, “nomad” and “tuber” reflect the philosopher’s strong resistance to “subjectivity”; “Symbolic economics” and “libido economics” seem to provide the best ontological proof for capital finance: “ Theory is floating in the void, There is no safe harbor available for berthing. Everything is ‘naked’,

visible, explicit, transparent, and always in motion. In the process of accelerating the proliferation of symbols and forms, the implosion and inertia are constantly increasing, showing that the growth goes beyond the limit, and finally makes itself collapse in the inertia.” Postmodernism, with its characteristic tension, shows the cultivation of happiness, the hatred of internal essence, the praise of strength and relations, and the scolding of power. But is financialization really bringing humanity into post-modern times? Does the metaphysical system that justified modernity really fall apart? Has the financialized survival of the world removed all obstacles to the “complete freedom” of mankind? The answer is no. Heidegger, the most outstanding philosopher in the 20th century, used “existence theory and metaphysics” to deeply reveal that the financialized living world is the most abstract stage of the development of modernity. At the beginning of the Introduction to Metaphysics, Heidegger asks, “Why on earth is he there but not there? That’s the problem. Clearly this is the first priority of all issues.” Hai’s inquiry of the existence behind the action of the existence is not an ordinary philosophical speculation game, but the change of financialization after the mid-20th century forced philosophy to “open the channels and vision of scale and taste “from the perspective of” thinking “, which is mainly reflected in three points:

First, if Nietzsche’s socialist philosophy is behind the financial capital highly liquidity to dominate its human spirit password, so Heidegger early through the existence behind the existence of the question of Nietzsche philosophy and step forward, namely the spirit of the password behind the “existence”, it can fit for the financial survival world to drive the human spirit constantly challenge ultimate source in the driving ontology. In Heidegger’s view, this problem as two mirror control can be infinite extension, “existence” at some point into “existence”, “the” existence “immediately become a” dead “,” and “existence” always in change, then dominate the “existence” the “existence”? According to Heidegger, this is an unresolved proposition that can be asked indefinitely like two mirrors, and it is the deep reason for the contradiction of “metaphysics”. Heidegger through further analysis that the root of the dilemma is the original metaphysics a fundamental defect is no people as a special “being” and other “existence”, platonism in the form of “present” smooth the people and other “being”, and “subject metaphysics” along the introverted closed channel development to Hegel “absolute spirit”, spirit itself and its opposite are set by spirit, namely “subjectivity” itself set itself, this is very ridiculous..... Wall Street financial system has become a kind of mental intention of space, financial become exercise thinking “will game”, all kinds of financial derivatives are completely set by the subjective will, the materialized world and human spirit by financial, organized by financial instruments in the process of globalization, human subjectivism at the peak at the same time, itself was measured by financial instruments in the same, and set itself there. Heidegger to philosopher unique sensitivity, trying to pass the “subjectivity” rejection and flip the human in the financialized survival situation of confusion and struggle, the development of financial tools for the segmentation of surplus value “like the empty subject to confirm its identity and the power of the object, they have to keep trying to —— especially in the process of the expansion of civil society.” The resulting deviation between the content of the spiritual pursuit of infinite expansion and the limited form of life, the conflict between the limited form of instrumental rationality and the continuous pursuit of the maximization of surplus value, and the contradiction between the limitation of space and the infinite extension of the financialization to the future time is insurmountable. In order to solve this confusion, Heidegger believes that only people can be called “here”, “This is the grasp, this is the survival of ‘in-world- -existence’ (In-der-Well-see). The basic provision of this existence is the premise that this can grasp something in general. The hyphen is written to point out that the structure is unified.” Therefore, the way of human existence can only be “survival “, which is” shared “with the” other “ and the world. In this “survival system” this is in (people) Second, through the reversal of Hegel’s “rationality”, Heidegger reveals the correct way for human beings to understand the living world, and provides a positive observation vision for the current human beings to face up to the leverage logic of infinite amplification of financial capital. Heidegger’s “ontology” philosophy is recognized as the “ontology” philosophy. However, Heidegger is trying to correct the epistemology misunderstanding of modern metaphysics in the study of ontology, and to achieve the correct cognition of the “true state” of the world. One of the most important points is the reversal of Hegel’s “rational” logic. There is a secret modern metaphysical axis logic —— negative dialectics, it is created by Spinoza, Hume, Kant, Schopenhauer, Fischer constantly digging, eventually by Hegel with “rational reflection”, the world becomes the logical world of rational reflection, the pure essential world is completed in the rational reflection of negative logic, real everything become “reflection” of “object” and constantly abandoned in the process of reflection, “perceptual thing is a else, is out; and for the permanent things, we must know through reflection.” Thus, the real life in the logical channel into the cold gray kingdom. In Hegel’s world, finite to infinity is the goal of

self-transcendence, and infinity constitutes the highest essence of finite. Although Nietzsche tried to deconstruct Hegel's "rationality", behind the "negative dialectic logic of God" was activated by the "will to power". This is mapping in the survival of the financial world, financial capital with high leverage tools, using the nature of human infinite profit, to the residents of various property ownership mortgage "credit fulcrum", in limited time move infinite future wealth to pay the present human expanding consumption desire, Marx pointed out in "Das Kapital" profoundly: "as under the credit system everything will double and twice, and become a pure fantasy monster." And Heidegger thinks, this to negative dialectics "the understanding of the nature of the world is illusory," existence "once by rational reflection" reverse "is incorporated into the concept, category, the deduction of the foundation is torn, by abstract, formal mutilation and ravaged," existence is not only still covered, also is not only still locked, but people are excluded in the scope of 'exist', in this way, people are not people." Heidegger tried to use the concept of "this to transcend the metaphysical" rational reflection "in a word, namely by" listening "and through the traditional tradition, what is the tradition, Heidegger is not clear, the author guess, heidegger's intention is not to bring human back to the original state, but the negative dialectics" reflection logic "make the spiritual pursuit of self transcendence goal from an infinite" divine "return to the limited" human nature ". Therefore, the various illusions of financial capital as the secular Christianity of the living world are clarified by the pursuit of the limited life value of human beings, not how to enlarge financial capital infinitely

Third, the "four-whole of the world" constructed by Heidegger in his later years reflects the human expectation for the return of the true state in the post-golden melting era. Heidegger's early philosophy was criticized as "humanism" position, with special "in" the survival system is actually a concentrated version of the "power metaphysics", Heidegger late realized, must put the grid down, could completely out of the shadow of "subject metaphysics". Therefore, "heaven", "earth", "gods" and "there is a dead man" (people) are the unified four whole, each party reflects the essence of the other three parties in its own way, and at the same time, each party has to map itself in its own way. The mission of "a dead" can only be to "dwelling" in a simple way, "protect the four whole, accept the sky, expect the gods, with a dead — this four protection is the simple essence of dwelling." We were surprised to find that this is deeply consistent with the former Greek interpretation of human existence. — The essence of human beings is a kind of manifestation, and human life is a unified work of art. Heidegger did not clearly show his intention in his works, which leaves us such a question, in the post-gold melting era, whether human beings still adhere to the modern way of life, so as not to return to the pre-modern life tradition. The contradiction of modernity is the price that human beings must pay for freedom? Or is it just an obstacle to the path of a new perfect freedom? Do humans have to choose between modern freedom and traditional life? I think, As a distinguished philosopher, Heidegger's idea is not a one-dimensional regression, Although human beings must now "live" in a financialized living world, But as long as humans understand the process of human behavior in the financialization of the world, Of human nature as a finite principle of acceptance of the world, Human life will no longer be manifested as the activity of a "seat frame" manipulator, therefore, In the living world of melting post-gold, Humans will have a new way of life, This is the hope that the modern world will be truly changed, In this view, Heidegger still shows an open mind to the modern world, He tried to eventually place modernity in human nature.

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