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Bolzano e Leibniz

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The paper investigates Leibniz's theory of ideas and truths in God's understanding, emphasizing some analogies and differences that this theory has with Bolzano's doctrine of ideas and propositions "in themselves". Even though Leibniz's theory has many points of contact with that of Bolzano, as it is presented in the *Wissenschaftslehre* and in the correspondence with Exner, it shows some important differences on many aspects. In particular, whereas Bolzano includes false propositions and contradictory ideas amongst propositions and truths in themselves, Leibniz excludes contradictory ideas from the "realm of ideas" and claims that only *necessary truths* are situated *in mente Dei*. Moreover, for Leibniz ideas and truths need the existence of a substance (God) as their ontological foundation, whereas for Bolzano, ideas and propositions in themselves subsist independently of God's existence.