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L'esperienza del dolore in Sigmund Freud

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What Sigmund Freud calls «experience of pain» in 1895 *Project for a Scientific Psychology* seems to be quite unsatisfactory if you look for a conceptual definition of pain, which goes beyond the bio-neurological, quantitative, dynamical scheme of the *Project*. Here the pain is conceived as the result of the break of the barriers which defend the psychic systems ϕ and ψ from the assaults of big quantity of Energy (Q). Freud himself in some way recognizes the limits of his definition of pain, from which it's not possible to obtain the answer to the question "What is pain?", that is the question of the "meaning" or "sense" of pain. Even when, in the twenties (1920 and 1925: *Beyond the Pleasure Principle; Inhibition, Symptom and Anguish*) Freud moves toward a more psychological theory of pain and introduces the pleasure principle, the problem of defining the pain remains unsolved. At the end, it is possible to follow the way of André Green: pain is an emotion which is always connected with the thought, that is with a conscious experience.