

# 3 conditions for a sense direct perception (e.g. an eye consciousness seeing green)

SCHOOL	OBJECT CONDITION	EMPOWERING CONDITION	IMMEDIATELY-PRECEDING CONDITION
<b>SAUTRANTIKA</b>	A patch of green (externally existent)	The eye sense power (matter)	The previous moment of mind
<b>CITTAMATRA</b>	An imprint/seed on the mind-basis-of-all	A potency existing with the previous moment of mind (not matter)	The previous moment of mind

- Direct perceivers can be valid or non-valid, e.g.
  - Ordinary beings' mental direct perceivers that apprehend form are always non-valid (because they are inattentive).
  - The second moment of an ordinary being's sense direct perceiver apprehending form is non-valid (because it's not new).
- Four types of yogic direct perceivers: those that directly realize subtle impermanence, coarse selflessness of persons, subtle selflessness of persons, and selflessness of phenomena.

# 6. Mode of asserting selflessness

- Two types of selflessness of persons:
  - Coarse: emptiness of a permanent, unitary, independent person
  - Subtle: emptiness of a self-supporting, substantially existent person
- An illustration of a selflessness of phenomena is: the emptiness of a form and the valid cognizer apprehending it being of other substances.

# 7. Presentation of Grounds & Paths

## a. Objects of abandonment:

- Afflictive obscurations: the conception grasping a self of persons, its seeds, the three poisons that arise due to the power of that conception, and their seeds.
- Obscurations to omniscience: grasping-as-true together with its seeds, its latencies, and all mistaken dualistic appearances that arise through its power.

b. Actual presentation of grounds & paths:

- Hearers attain their enlightenment by meditating on selflessness of persons and collecting a small amount of merit for 3 lives, for their own purpose.
- Solitary realizers attain their enlightenment by meditating on selflessness of persons and collecting a middling amount of merit for 100 eons, for their own purpose.
- Bodhisattvas attain their enlightenment by meditating on the emptiness of subjects & objects being of different substances and collecting a great amount of merit for 3 countless eons, for the purpose of others.

- True Aspectarians say that when Hearer & Solitary Realizer Arhats attain nirvana without remainder, their mental continuums cease (but this doesn't happen with Buddhas).
- They assert three final vehicles because sentient beings, from beginningless time, have three different lineages, aspirations, ways of practising, and results.
- False Aspectarians assert one final vehicle. When Hearer & Solitary Realizer Arhats attain nirvana without remainder, the continuum of mere awareness included in true sufferings and true origins ceases, but mere awareness continues to enlightenment.