

Poetential infinity

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There was once a lot of debate, and still occasionally is, about the difference between "actual infinity" and "potential infinity".

It always struck me that, whatever you thought about them, at least the definition of actual inf was reasonably clear, but that the same couldn't really be said of potential inf.

So, it occurred to me that a better name for "potential infinity" would be "unboundedly finite".

Would this cover the case, do y'all think?

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The known is finite, the unknown is infinite.
We stand on an islet of comprehension
in a limitless ocean of inexplicability.
Our business is to reclaim a little more land.

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