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I think it’s a metaphysical concept
starting with Aristotle and flowering in St. Thomas
that God is pure act and that there is no potentia in Him.

Almost everything else in the universe is in potentia,
it’s on its way to being pure act,
on its way to unity with God.

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