

## Full List of Philosophy Short And Tweet Entries

Knowing the past is causal and independent of the future. Hume: causation is temporally global regularity. We know the past; Hume's wrong.

Philosophical arguments short enough to tweet aren't worth tweeting. This one is short enough to tweet; conclusion left as exercise.

Things could have had qualities that nothing in this world has. Therefore, there are other concrete worlds which make that so.

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No collection of concrete things has all its properties of necessity. Therefore, the incredulous stare is justified.

Indeterminacy of BS: What we do fixes what we mean but doesn't settle it. So you don't know what I'm talking about and neither do I.

What? Light through yonder monitor breaks. Holy Shit! Skepticism is false.

- Allen Stairs, @Allen\_Stairs

Making some better off and none worse off is good. If equality were valuable, it wouldn't be. So equality isn't valuable.

You can't know uniformity of nature deductively or inductively. So you can't know it. So you have no inductive knowledge.

There is no set of  $x$ :  $x$  not in  $x$ . So there is an  $F$  such that there's no set of all  $F$ s.

If  $K = \text{JTB}$  then true inferences from justified false beliefs are  $K$ . But they aren't. So  $\sim(K = \text{JTB})$

If  $A$  only might be  $B$ , but  $B$  must be  $B$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  have different properties. So  $A$  isn't  $B$ .

If assertion requires  $K$ , and rightness not luminous, then  $\langle \rangle$ (rightly do  $X$ ) but  $\sim \langle \rangle$ (rightly say  $X$  is right). That's absurd!

If  $E=K$  then inductive knowledge is evidence. But it isn't. So  $\sim E=K$ .

- Brian Weatherson, @bweatherson

Kelly Clarkson "My life would suck without you" Descartes "My life would suck without ME"

"What you are thinking while reading this sentence is undetermined in any theory of consciousness"

- Etienne Jacques, @FrenchBloggery

So maybe Chinese students think names refer descriptively; so what? Alabamans think humans used to hunt dinosaurs.

All evidence is propositional. All propositional evidence is knowledge. All knowledge is evidence. Therefore, E=K.

Lots of people use names to refer to people they can't uniquely describe, like Cicero. So names aren't definite descriptions.

To learn, verify hypotheses. Concepts needed for hypothesis formulation. So concepts aren't learned. So concepts are innate.

Suppose there is a tree nobody is thinking about. You're thinking about it! Reductio. So the unperceived is impossible.

Time requires change. So time facts are not relational. But nothing can be intrinsically past AND future. So there's no time.

Supporting practices that cause gratuitous suffering is wrong. Factory-farming causes gratuitous suffering. So don't partake.

No infinite regresses. No vicious circles. No unfounded claims. Therefore, skepticism.

Reliable indicators: the tank is empty; the gauge reads 'E'. Not enough to learn the gauge works. So reliabilism is false.

God, if he exists, is perfect. Perfect beings don't make imperfect worlds. God exists; so, this is the best possible world.

- Jonathan Ichikawa, @jichikawa

Ordinary objects are mereological sums. Objects can change parts, so sums can too.

- Mark Steen, @marksteen

intentionality, sets, numbers, counterfactuals, gravity; induction, anti-skepticism, reference, life meaning. so god exists.

- Sam Liao, @liaoshenyi

If the will is free the moral law is valid. We must believe the will is free so we must believe the moral law is valid.

Two utterances of the same sentence on different occasions differ in truth value. Thus meaning is occasion sensitive.

- Mark Eli Kalderon, @philgeek

Everything's caused, (2) Something's self-caused, or (3) Something's uncaused. (1) and (2) WTF?! So, (3)..btw...it's God.

No infinite regresses. No vicious circles. No skepticism. Therefore, foundationalism.

Why hasn't anyone done - I think. Therefore, I am? Too easy? I mean, look, I'm still tweeting. So...yeah...too easy...

- Andrew Cullison, @andycullison

The best argument against modal realism is an incredulous stare. One cannot tweet an incredulous stare.

- Adam Potthast, @adamqp

I know that I have hands. If I know that, I must know I'm not a BIV. But I don't. So, I don't know I have hands.

- Dan Singer, @philosophydan

If determinism is true, doing otherwise requires either changing the past or breaking the laws, both of which are impossible.

- Garrett Pendergraft, @gpen

It both might and could have been that Aristotle didn't teach Alexander, so Descriptivism is false.

Moral statements can occur as premises and conclusions in valid arguments, so Pure Emotivism about moral terms is false.

it is possible to fake being in pain, so crude behaviorism is false.

I know some, but not all, mathematical truths, so the objects of belief, propositions, are not sets of possible worlds.

If sources can't give knowledge unless known to be good, then skepticism. So some sources of unknown quality give knowledge.

right and left hands are alike in intrinsic spatial respects. a hand alone in space is right or left. So space is absolute.

God would not create super adorable looking animals that dislike having their tummies rubbed. Koalas exist, so god does not.

My body is divisible, my mind isn't. So, my mind isn't my body. My mind is separable from my body, so my mind isn't my body

- Lewis Powell, @posiduck

Put it on yer CV & it's false = lying with words. DOING it just so it's TRUE on yer CV = lying with actions. So all honest CVs =blank.

- Joe Morrison, @joeruckus

All register computable functions are recursive. 1.<-B;2,4> 2.<+A;3> 3.<+C;1> 4.<-C;5,\*> 5.<+B;4>  
Therefore, addition is recursive

- Greg Restall, @consequently

S told by boss - J will get job. Sees J has 10 coins. Infers job-getter will have 10 coins. S gets job & has 10 coins!!! JTB not knowledge.

Experience necessarily temporally sequenced; can't determine its own sequence; hence external world must exist. QED love Immanuel.

- Ezra Macdonald

If I didn't exist, the proposition P that I don't exist would be true. Then P would exist. If P exists, I exist. So I necessarily exist.

- Jeff

I think, therefore I am.

- Lee Walters

I'm pink, therefore I'm spam.

- Komarine Romdenh-Romluc

Let T be sound & code "I'm unprovable in T" by G. T can't prove G; so G's true; so T can't prove  $\neg G$ . So if T codes enough it's incomplete!

God values rationality, so wants me to apportion beliefs to the evidence. The evidence she exists is weak. So I shouldn't believe in her.

I know I have two hands. You have fancy sceptical arguments that "prove" otherwise? Well, they must go wrong! Where? That's \*your\* problem!

- Peter Smith, @PeterSmith

Colors? Mary ain't seen 'em, but knows everything physical 'bout seein' 'em. Is her knowledge complete? No way! So much the worse for physicalism

- Martin Roth

God doesn't exist or everyone has enough to eat. Not everyone has enough to eat; so, God doesn't exist.

- exapologist

U helped ur friend because u could and wanted to, not 'cuz u should? No moral worth! Ur will's no good. (Reductio by bastardhood.)

Whoa, I sound 13. (One imagines a texting 13-yo girl.) Therefore, there's an imaginary 13-yo girl texting you. Meinong FTW!

If we had ham, if we had eggs, we'd have ham & eggs. Got ham. If we had eggs we wouldn't; we can't afford both. Modus ponens refuted!

- Rachel Briggs

Good because God commands or God commands because good? Morality is independent of God or God could make infanticide moral. Pick a horn.

- John Basl, @johnbasl

1 or 2? 1. EDT fail.

- Dustin Locke

Bertrand Russell:

Naive realism (NR) leads to physics, and physics, if true, shows that NR is false. Therefore NR, if true, is false; therefore it is false.

Anselm:

Def: God is maximally great. Maximal greatness requires existence. So God exists.

Kant:

Perception reveals only relational properties. Relational properties need intrinsic natures. So there are unknowable intrinsic properties.

Me:

Quantum theory says parallel worlds exist. If so, they're the best candidates for truthmakers for modal talk. So Lewis was (almost) right.

- Alastair Wilson

The proposition (call it N) that abstracta don't exist is abstract. So N implies N's non-existence. So, if N exists, N is false.

If PA proves p, I will accept p. So, if PA proves  $0=1$ , I will accept  $0=1$ . But I am consistent. Hence, PA is consistent.

- Jeff Ketland

Ostension presupposes understanding. When you point to objects to teach me color, I may learn some other common concept, e.g. substance.

- Kevin Lande

Is it possible for there to be something such that possibly absolutely everything is distinct from it? No ways. So necessarily everything necessarily exists.

- Chris Tillman

Ship could've had a few other planks, it couldn't have had a few more. From the of view of having a few, possibly there's a few more. No S4.

- Dan Rabinoff

Here is a smiley 😊. Here is another 😊. I am not a smiley. So at least 2 external objects exist.

- alphabetbeing

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