

Moral Reasoning

- Moral reasoning is hard and hasn't been solved for centuries, so why even think about it?
 - "Skepticism is thus a resting-place for human reason, where it can reflect upon its dogmatic wanderings and make survey of the region in which it finds itself, so that for the future it may be able to choose its path with more certainty. But it is no dwelling-place for permanent settlement."
- Two types:
 - Consequentialist: locates morality in the consequences of the act
 - Most common example is utilitarianism which was invented by Jeremy Bentham: "the right thing to do is to maximize the utility (i.e. happiness over suffering)"
 - Categorical: locates morality in certain duties and rights
 - Most famous philosopher was Emmanuel Kant