

Morality and Moral Judgements

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On-going Morality Research:

- Moral Judgement as Categorisation
 - Meaning Maintenance and Morality
- Moral Dumbfounding
- Miscellaneous: Identity, and Networks

Moral Judgement as Categorisation

• See this paper currently under review

Testable Predictions/Possible Studies

- Typicality in moral categorisations?
- Non-moral dumbfounding
- Equivalent contextual influences
 - e.g., order effects (ethics approved)
- Additional predictions in Table 2 in paper

Meaning Maintenance and Morality

- Difficult Moral judgements as a threat to meaning
- Test *fluid compensation* in non-moral paradigm (ethics approved)
- Test *fluid compensation* in moral paradigm (ethics approved)
 - Some data collected

Moral Dumbfounding

- Cognitive Load Studies (ethics approved)
- Distancing Studies (ethics approved)
- Non-Weird Studies (ethics approved)
- Individual Differences e.g., Personality (ethics approved)

Miscellaneous: Identity, and Networks

- Morality, Identity, and Networks:
 - Reanalyse Moral Foundations data (no ethics needed)
- Proposed Pre-registered Replication of Novel Dilemma study (Railton, 2017)
- Disgust Sensitivity and Emotional Differentiation

References

Railton, P. (2017). Moral Learning: Conceptual foundations and normative relevance. Cognition, 167, 172-190. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cognition.2016.08.015