ON THE NECESSARY EXISTENCE OF GOD-MINUS

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Abstract

In this paper, we offer a novel *reductio* of the (in)famous Ontological Argument for the existence of God. We suggest that the argument can be extended to prove the necessary existence of a being that's not quite as great as God, which we call God-minus. Further, we claim that this argument can be extended to prove the existence of any being defined as having a particular amount of greatness relative to God. Assuming, as we think we should, that this is not the case, this conclusion serves to undermine the Ontological Argument.