# Dyck Continued

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  + Worries regarding legalization of voluntary euthanasia
    - It sanctions physician-assisted suicide
      * It’s a slippery slope. Voluntary euthanasia could lead to involuntary euthanasia (against the will).
      * An example of this was Nazi Germany which turned into the holocaust
      * Voluntary Euthanasia could lead to non-voluntary and even involuntary euthanasia
    - Goes against the “Cardinal Principle of Medical Practice”
      * “Do no harm”
      * Intent Criterion
        + It is always impermissible to intend harm

As an end

As a means to an end

* + - * + Most plausible interpretation of it “It is always impermissible to intend harm as an end”
* James Rachel’s
  + AMA Position
    - While Passive Euthanasia is permissible, Active Euthanasia is not.
  + Justification for the AMA Position
    - Passive Euthanasia is permissible to reduce suffering
    - Rachels’ Reply
      * Active Euthanasia is preferable on these grounds
      * Irrelevant Grounds
        + If a life of a child with down syndrome is not worth then they should let the child die with or without the intestinal blockage
        + If a life of a child with down syndrome IS worth something then they should not let the child with the intestinal blockage to die.