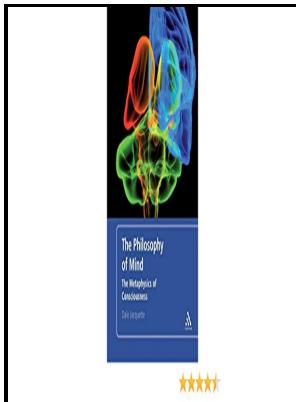


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For example, claims about the unintelligibility of the link between experienced red and any possible neural substrate of such an experience sometimes treat the relevant color quale as a simple and *sui generis* property Levine 1983 , but phenomenal redness in fact exists within a complex color space with multiple systematic dimensions and similarity relations Hardin 1992.

The Metaphysical Wanderings of Consciousness

In some ways, this might be viewed as a relatively harmless variation on materialist themes, but others object to the very coherence of this form of materialism Kim 1987, 1998. Subjectivity is another notion sometimes equated with the qualitative or the phenomenal aspects of consciousness in the literature, but again there are good reason to recognize it, at least in some of its forms, as a distinct feature of consciousness—related to the qualitative and the phenomenal but different from each.

Consciousness

Alternatively, one might try to define conscious states in terms of conscious creatures.

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Put simply, can we explain how to make something conscious out of things that are not conscious? To some extent, this is a terminological dispute, but, despite important similarities, there are also key subtle differences between these hybrid alternatives. Another response is that proponents of the hard problem unjustly raise the bar as to what would count as a viable explanation of consciousness so that any such reductivist attempt would inevitably fall short Carruthers 2000, Gennaro 2012. As was seen earlier with neural theories section 4a and as will be seen below on the neural correlates of consciousness 5b , some attempts to solve the binding problem have to do with trying to isolate the precise brain mechanisms responsible for consciousness.

Consciousness

However, a brief selective survey may provide a sense, however partial and obscure, of the options that have been proposed. These are cases where behaviorally indistinguishable individuals have inverted color perceptions of objects, such as person A visually experiences a lemon the way that person B experience a ripe tomato with respect to their color, and so on for all yellow and red objects. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009.

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One exciting aspect of this approach is the resulting interdisciplinary interest it has generated among physicists and other scientists in the problem of consciousness. They all concern the possibility of explaining some sort or aspect of consciousness, but they vary in their particular explananda, the restrictions on their explanans, and their criteria for successful explanation. Does it make a difference to the operation of systems in which it is present, and if so why and how? According to IIT, even a simple indicator device such as a single photo diode possesses some degree of integrated information and thus some limited degree of consciousness, a consequence which both Tononi and Koch embrace as a form of panpsychism.

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