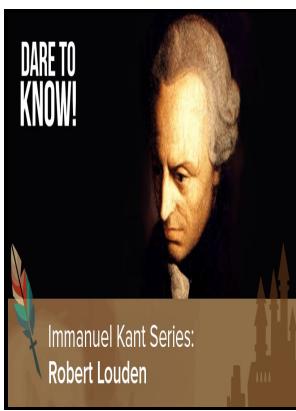


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The intuitive idea behind this formulation is that our fundamental moral obligation is to act only on principles which could earn acceptance by a community of fully rational agents each of whom have an equal share in legislating these principles for their community. If it is, then, fourth, ask yourself whether you would, or could, rationally will to act on your maxim in such a world.

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What are the ethical issues in Enron scandal? Thus, the Universal Law Formulation generates a duty to ϕ if and only if the Humanity Formula generates a duty to ϕ , and so on for the other formulations. The Enlightenment was about replacing traditional authorities with the authority of individual human reason, but it was not about overturning traditional moral and religious beliefs.

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Intuitively, there seems something wrong with treating human beings as mere instruments with no value beyond this. Korsgaard 1996 offers self-preservation as an example of an end in a negative sense: We do not try to produce our self-preservation.

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Hence let us once try whether we do not get farther with the problems of metaphysics by assuming that the objects must conform to our cognition, which would agree better with the requested possibility of an a priori cognition of them, which is to establish something about objects before they are given to us.

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