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Further Resources

Many of the ideas discussed in this lecture were originally set forth by David Lewis, who was a professor of philosophy at Princeton University until his untimely death in 2001. If you'd like to go into these issues in more depth, I highly recommend the articles in volume II of his *Philosophical Papers*. Three articles in this collection are of special relevance to the topics we have discussed here: "Causation", "Causal Decision Theory", and "Prisoner's Dilemma is a Newcomb Problem".

Some additional texts

- If you'd like to know more about Newcomb's Problem in the context of Causal Decision Theory, a good place to start is Paul Weirich's article on Causal Decision Theory in the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy. It's available online, and contains an excellent list of references.
- For a defense of one-boxing, and an example of the Tickle Defense, see Terry Horgan's "Counterfactuals and Newcomb's Problem"
- For a comprehensive treatment of the Principle of Utility Maximization, and the ensuing decision theory, see Richard Jeffrey's The Logic of Decision.
- For a comprehensive treatment of Causal Decision Theory see Jim Joyce's *The Foundations* of Causal Decision Theory.
- For a comprehensive discussion of conditionals, I recommend Jonathan Bennett's A Philosophical Guide to Conditionals.
- The contrast between "If Oswald hadn't killed Kennedy, someone else would have" and "If Oswald didn't kill Kennedy, someone else did" is a classic example due to Ernest Adams; it appears in his article "Subjunctive and Indicative Conditionals".

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