## 04/04 - Lecture 1

Ethical Theories

* Deontological
  + Moral duties? (Kant)
* Teleological
  + What is a good/best to do? (...as a human being) (Aristotle)
* Consequentialism/utilitarianism
  + Promote the best consequences/the greatest happiness for the greatest number
  + Ends justify the means
  + Wont really consider this too much in this class

## Disc Week 3

* Excellent disposition
* Open-handed person should feel good about being open-handed, not feel the pain of being generous
* How do you make sure someone grows up to be excellent? How do you motivate good action?
  + role model
  + reward good behavior
    - But what happens when the reward disappears
  + golden rule - do to others what you want them to do to you
    - reasoning with them
    - Kant - talks about this a lot
    - Difficult to force this kind of lesson onto someone
* Two kids, Aristotle wants us to believe you can get them both to this point of excellence, which requires you to be well brought up.
  + This requires you to believe people are tablula rosa (everyone is a blank slate), that if you’re given the correct type of upbringing you reach that point.
  + The problem with getting two kids to turn out the same if you bring them up the exact same way -
    - Cant account for how they interact with each other
    - Environmental differences but if we consider this to be the exact same
    - Nature vs Nurture
      * Respond differently to the same stimuli
      * If tabula rosa then no nature
  + aristotle believes that if you don't have some bad luck in life and if you're brought up the right way you'll reach the same point of excellence
  + He believes you don't blame or praise people for things they cant help aka not voluntary
    - Acting from “temper” vs “descison” - intent, acting only from temper so its bc of your disposition and the way you were brought up
    - Dispositions -> easy cases
    - Decisions -> situations that vary
  + Things you cant help shouldn't get in the way of you being excellent or not excellent
* ABC blame situation
  + “determinism” the belief that the prior state of the universe wholly determines the next state of the universe

|  | **determinism** | **no** |
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| **free will** | compatibilism | libertarianism |
| **no free will** | Hard incompatible | – |

* Different schools of thought on free will - you blame or praise someones behaviour based on how you think it’ll attack them for the future

## Disc Week 4

* 3 total - 2 short, one long
* For short - just answer the question (dnot give example or defend or justify)
  + Example in Q2 example might help
  + But in most places if you've just answered the Q then
* Q2: 2 parts -
  + Start w 1 sentence introducing the claim