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The Indirect Response to Arguments for Fatalism

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This paper develops a novel approach to challenging arguments for logical and theological fatalism. The approach is indirect in the sense that it does not focus on directly challenging any particular premise of these arguments, but instead challenges the arguments as a whole by challenging claims which must be true if any version of these arguments is sound. I do not claim that the indirect response all by itself shows that it is more reasonable to judge these arguments unsound than sound. Rather, I propose that the indirect response provides a widely overlooked source of defeasible evidence against the soundness of these arguments which should be included in any total evaluation of them.



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