

ROSS INTERPRETATIONS

- An action A is morally right iff A is a prima facie duty
- An action A is morally right iff A is a prima facie duty and no alternatives to A are prima facie duties
- An action A is morally right iff A is a prima facie duty and none of its alternatives is a prima facie duty with a higher ranking

EGOISM

- A token action A is morally right iff there is no alternative to A, B, such that the agent utility of B is greater than the agent utility of A
- Argument for motivation: a person can perform an action only if the action has at least as much agent utility as any other action; a person is morally obligated only when this occurs
 - o A person can only act when the action has at least as much AU as any alternatives
 - o You are only morally obligated if you can perform the act
 - o If 1 and 2, then you are only morally obligated when the act in question has at least as much AU as any alternatives
- Arguments against Egoism
 - o What makes an action moral is that it's agent utility is higher than any other actions
 - My agent utility is the only thing that matters

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