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## The Persistence of Moral Disagreement

### Abstract:

Moral disagreement is widespread. But would that disagreement persist even under idealized conditions in which all parties to a moral debate are rational, impartial and fully informed about the relevant non-moral facts? For many moral theorists, a positive answer would entail moral relativism or moral nihilism. In this talk I'll review recent empirical findings in anthropology, psychology and experimental economics which suggest that the answer may indeed be positive. I'll also sketch a theory about the psychological processes underlying human norms that points in the same direction.