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# DEBUNKING AND ONTOLOGY: CAN WE TRUST OUR PERCEPTUAL BELIEFS ABOUT ORDINARY OBJECTS?

Debunking arguments have been put forth in a range of subjects, including morality, religion, and mathematics. The aim of such arguments is to establish that certain of our beliefs in the respective domain are unjustified, and hence that these beliefs should be abandoned. Beliefs that are often cited as safe from debunking arguments are perceptual beliefs about the existence of ordinary material objects, such as cups, trees, mountains, and planets. In the first part of this talk, I will show that perceptual beliefs about objects are susceptible to debunking arguments, contrary to common opinion. In the second part, I will take a critical look at some available responses on the market, and then propose a new response to debunking arguments about perceptual object-beliefs.

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