

## *The Cosmological Argument*







### **The Cosmological Argument**

The cosmological argument is the argument that the existence of the world or universe is strong evidence for the existence of a God who created it.

### **Philosophy of Religion » The Cosmological Argument**

Question: "What is the Cosmological argument for the existence of God?" Answer: The cosmological argument attempts to prove God's existence by observing the world around us (the cosmos). It begins with what is most obvious in reality: things exist. It is then argued that the cause of those things' existence had to be a "God-type" thing.

### **What is the Cosmological argument for the existence of God?**

The Kalām cosmological argument is a modern formulation of the cosmological argument for the existence of God; named for the kalam (medieval Islamic scholasticism), it was popularized by William Lane Craig in his *The Kalām Cosmological Argument* (1979).. The argument is similar to the unmoved mover in Aristotelianism due to its basis in the nature of causality and argument against the ...

### **Kalam cosmological argument - Wikipedia**

The temporal, kalam cosmological argument, dates back to medieval Muslim philosophers such as al-Kindi and al-Ghazali. It has recently been restored to popularity by William Lane Craig. Like all cosmological arguments, the kalam cosmological argument is an argument from the existence of the world or universe to the existence of God.

### **Philosophy of Religion » The Kalam Cosmological Argument**

Cosmological argument, Form of argument used in natural theology to prove the existence of God. Thomas Aquinas, in his *Summa theologiae*, presented two versions of the cosmological argument: the first-cause argument and the argument from contingency. The first-cause argument begins with the fact that there is change in the world, and a change is always the effect of some cause or causes.

### **Cosmological argument | philosophy | Britannica.com**

There are three major arguments used to "prove" God's existence. Here's what you need to know about the "cosmological" argument.

### **What Key Arguments Are There for God's Existence? (Part 1 ...**

The Kalam Cosmological Argument: A Summary by Bill Ramey. The cosmological argument for God's existence began with Plato and ever since has been defended--and attacked--by many of the greatest philosophers in history.

### **The Kalam Cosmological Argument: A Summary**

Previous Index Next Aquinas' Cosmological Argument for the Existence of God St. Thomas Aquinas (1224-1274) was a Dominican priest, theologian, and philosopher.

### **Aquinas' Cosmological Argument for the Existence of God**

In cosmology, the cosmological constant (usually denoted by the Greek capital letter lambda:  $\Lambda$ ) is the energy density of space, or vacuum energy, that arises in Albert Einstein's field equations of general relativity. It is closely associated to the concepts of dark energy and quintessence.. Einstein originally introduced the concept in 1917 to counterbalance the effects of gravity and achieve ...

### **Cosmological constant - Wikipedia**

Thomas Aquinas, "The Argument from Efficient Cause" Abstract: Thomas' First Cause Argument for the existence of God is outlined and briefly clarified.

### **Thomas Aquinas, "The Argument from Efficient Cause"**

Immanuel Kant (1724–1804) is the central figure in modern philosophy. He synthesized early

modern rationalism and empiricism, set the terms for much of nineteenth and twentieth century philosophy, and continues to exercise a significant influence today in metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, political philosophy, aesthetics, and other fields.

### **Immanuel Kant (Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy)**

Assume something or present it as a fact and you postulate it. Physicists postulate the existence of parallel universes, which is a little mind-blowing.

### **postulate - Dictionary Definition : Vocabulary.com**

Degree of fine tuning. Recent Studies have confirmed the fine tuning of the cosmological constant (also known as "dark energy"). This cosmological constant is a force that increases with the increasing size of the universe. First hypothesized by Albert Einstein, the cosmological constant was rejected by him, because of lack of real world data. However, recent supernova 1A data demonstrated the ...

### **The Universe: Evidence for Its Fine Tuning**

Question: "What is the Ontological argument for the existence of God?" Answer: The ontological argument is an argument based not on observation of the world (like the cosmological and teleological arguments) but rather on reason alone. Specifically, the ontological argument reasons from the study of being (ontology).

### **What is the Ontological argument for the existence of God?**

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### **Transcript of the Russell/Copleston radio debate**

During the thirteenth century, Christian Europe finally began to assimilate the lively intellectual traditions of the Jews and Arabs. Translations of ancient Greek texts (and the fine Arabic commentaries on them) into Latin made the full range of Aristotelean philosophy available to Western thinkers.

### **Thirteenth Century - Philosophy Pages**

In honor of the Nobel Prize, here are some questions that are frequently asked about dark energy, or should be.. What is dark energy? It's what makes the universe accelerate, if indeed there is a "thing" that does that. (See below.) So I guess I should be asking... what does it mean to say the universe is "accelerating"?

### **Dark Energy FAQ | Sean Carroll**

The discovery during our generation of the so-called anthropic coincidences in the initial conditions of the universe has breathed new life into the teleological argument. Use of the Anthropic Principle to nullify our wonder at these coincidences is logically fallacious unless conjoined with the ...

### **Argument & Anthropic Principle | Scholarly | Reasonable Faith**

Answers to frequently asked questions about cosmology. Tutorial : Part 1 | Part 2 | Part 3 | Part 4 | Age | Distances | Bibliography | Relativity . What is the currently most accepted model for the Universe? What is the evidence for the Big Bang?

### **Frequently Asked Questions in Cosmology - UCLA**

1 Guthrie, 903. In passing, we can note that if this is true also of OT works, then the book of Daniel has some internal weight for authenticity, for the only other reference to Daniel in the OT is in Ezekiel, and even there the name is spelled differently.

