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RE: Teleology and the Meaning of Life

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Abstract

Remarks are made on a previous paper "Teleology and the Meaning of Life".*

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Not only reproduction but also survival

The meaning of life is not only reproduction but also survival. Even if we do not or cannot reproduce, the meaning of life can be survival.

Type nihilism, token realism

From the point of view of type, there is no meaning of life. We eat or have sex for survival or reproduction. But, for what, do we survive or reproduce? Life has no meaning from the viewpoint of type. However, from the point of view of token, there is a meaning of life. We survive now for our survival in the future. We reproduce for our children's reproduction. Life has a meaning from the viewpoint of token.

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