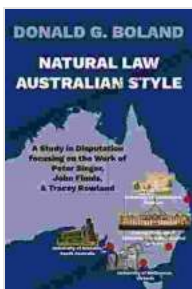


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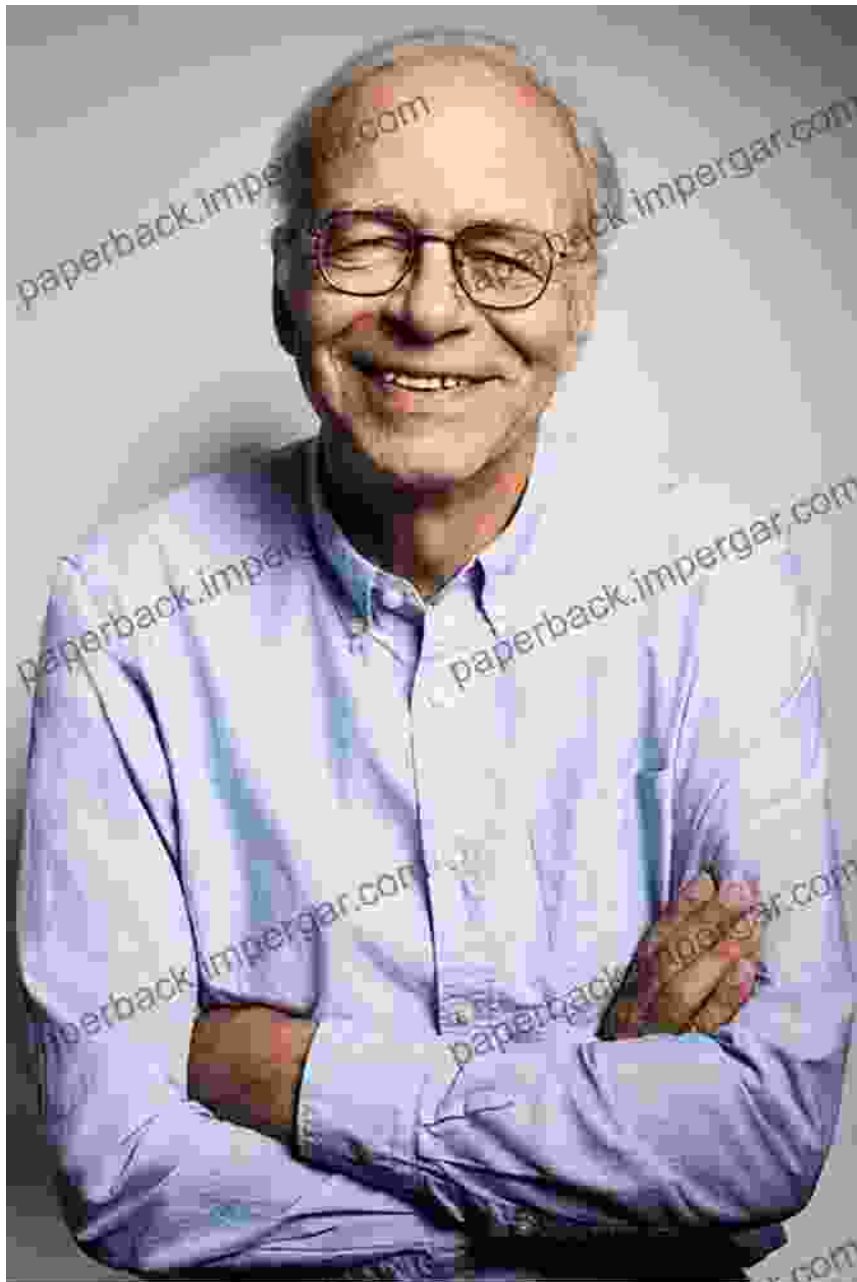
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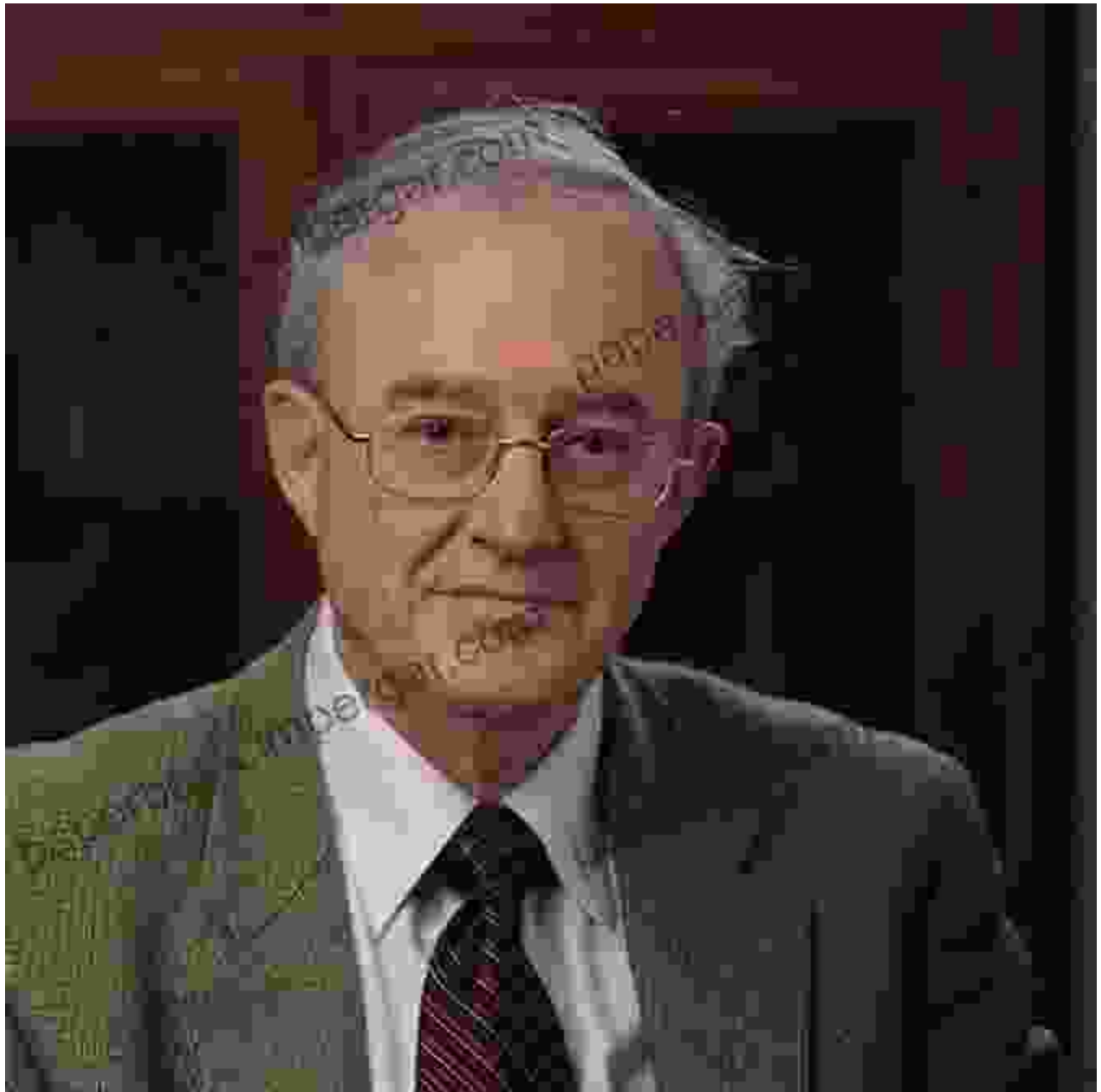
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Key Areas of Disputation

While Singer and Finnis share a commitment to ethical reasoning, their respective theories diverge significantly in several key areas:

1. **Scope of Moral Concern:** Singer extends moral consideration to all sentient beings, including animals, while Finnis limits it primarily to human beings.
2. **Basis of Morality:** Singer derives moral principles from the maximization of happiness, whereas Finnis grounds them in human nature and the pursuit of objective goods.
3. **Abortion and Euthanasia:** Singer permits abortion in certain circumstances and supports euthanasia in cases of unbearable suffering, while Finnis opposes both practices as violations of human life.
4. **Environmental Ethics:** Singer emphasizes the environmental impact on animals and future generations, while Finnis focuses more on the preservation of the natural world for human well-being.

Beyond Singer and Finnis

This study extends beyond the works of Singer and Finnis, exploring a wider range of ethical perspectives:

- **Deontology:** Immanuel Kant's emphasis on universal moral duties and respect for human autonomy.
- **Virtue Ethics:** Aristotle's focus on character development and the cultivation of virtues.
- **Feminist Ethics:** Carol Gilligan's emphasis on empathy, relationships, and the importance of women's experiences.

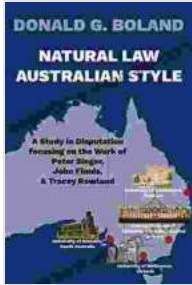
- **Communitarianism:** Michael Sandel's emphasis on the role of community and shared values in moral decision-making.
- **Existentialism:** Jean-Paul Sartre's focus on individual freedom and responsibility in creating one's own meaning.

Applications in Real-World Ethical Dilemmas

The ethical principles discussed in this study have profound implications for real-world ethical dilemmas:

- **Medical Ethics:** Decision-making in cases of abortion, euthanasia, and end-of-life care.
- **Environmental Ethics:** Balancing economic development with environmental sustainability.
- **Social Justice:** Addressing issues of poverty, inequality, and discrimination.
- **Animal Rights:** Advocating for the protection and well-being of animals.
- **Personal Ethics:** Navigating everyday moral choices and dilemmas, such as honesty, integrity, and loyalty.

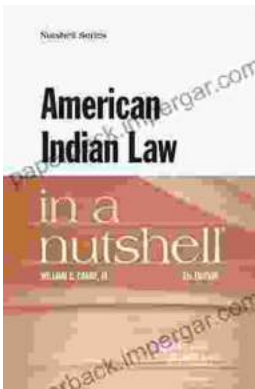
This study in disputation provides a comprehensive examination of the ethical theories of Peter Singer and John Finnis, exploring their key areas of divergence and the broader landscape of ethical thought. By understanding these diverse perspectives, we can engage in informed and nuanced ethical decision-making, empowering us to navigate the complexities of the moral world and contribute to a more just and compassionate society.



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