

Metaphysics Exercise 13

Phil. 100B, Winter 2011. Due Thurs., Mar. 10.

Note this is to be done on-line via Question Cloud if possible. However, if this proves impossible for some reason, please hand this in as a hard copy or e-mail your answers to your TA.

1. According to Leibniz, which of the following is correct?
 - a. Every being is either an element, an essence, or a monad.
 - b. Every simple substance (“monad”) is essentially the same as every other; they differ only in external relations.
 - c. We cannot perceive the monads of which bodies are composed because they are infinitely small.
 - d. We can perceive monads, but only in a confused way.
 - e. A monad cannot change because all change involves complexity: a thing must change in one way while remaining the same in another. But a monad is simple
 - f. None of the above.

2. About which of the following do Leibniz and Spinoza disagree?
 - a. Every body has a mind.
 - b. Every possible mind exists at some time.
 - c. Every finite mind contains ideas whose cause lies in some other finite mind.
 - d. Every finite mind is passive insofar as its ideas are inadequate.
 - e. All of the above.
 - f. (b) and (c).

3. About which of the following do Leibniz and Thomas Aquinas disagree?
 - a. No two intelligible substances are of the same lowest species.
 - b. Every body is the representation of some intelligible substance which is virtually present in it.
 - c. Every body is divisible.
 - d. An intelligible representation of an individual body cannot be caused by the body itself, but only by God.
 - e. All of the above.
 - f. (b) and (c).