

# **Egoism and Contractarianism**

# Ethical egoism

## 1. Ought implies can argument

P1	We cannot be morally required to do something we are unable to do
P2	We are unable to act in ways that do not appear to increase our own personal well-being
C	Therefore, we cannot be morally required to act in ways that do not appear to increase our own personal well-being.

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## 2. The practical reasons argument

P1	We are morally required to do actions we have good reasons to do
P2	The only actions we have good reasons to do are those that are in our own selfish interests
C	Therefore, we are morally required to do only those actions that are in our own selfish interests