

Errata

A box symbol (\Box) was missed out in issue no. 44 in the article “A Logical Reformulation of a Version of Kurt Godet’s Ontological Argument for God’s Existence: Simplification and Rectification” written by Dr. Tze-ho Fung. We apologize for the editorial mistake made and for any confusion caused. Hereby, below, we enlist the affected lines in the way they should have properly read:

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Logical sentence: $\exists x \text{ accident}(x) \wedge \exists y \text{ police_report}(y, x)$.

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$GX =_{df} \forall F \text{ Pos}(F) \equiv FX.$

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$F \text{ Ess } X =_{df} \forall H \text{HX} \equiv F \Rightarrow H.$

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(A1) Necessitation postulate: p if p is provable;
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(A3) $\Diamond p \rightarrow p.$

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(A2) $\Box (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\Box p \rightarrow \Box q)$; and

(A3) $\Diamond \Box p \rightarrow \Box p$.

(2) $(\exists x Gx \rightarrow \exists y Gy)$.

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(3) $\Diamond (\exists x Gx) \rightarrow \Diamond (\exists y Gy)$.

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(4) $\Diamond (\exists y Gy)$.

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