

Premise: I must find doubt in my beliefs to reject them. I must demolish my foundations.

Argument 1: I know I exist based on my senses.

Evidence: All of my foundational beliefs have come from my senses.

Rebuttal: Senses can deceive, therefore they are doubtful.

Evidence: If I reject my existence I will be likened to a madman. Madmen cannot reason, or be logical.

Rebuttal: I have visions like crazy people when I am asleep.

Argument 2: I know I am awake and not asleep.

Evidence: I am making conscious actions right now, which shows I am awake.

Rebuttal: I also do this when I am dreaming. Therefore, there is no real way to distinguish being awake and dreaming, which means I don't exist.

Evidence: Dreams are copies of *real* things. These copies are of general things. Everything we think of comes from simpler and universal things = sound, certain.

Conclusion: Complex structures have no certainty, therefore they are doubtful.

Rebuttal: What if God has tricked me, and things that are general and universal are not actually real and certain?

Argument 3: God exists.

Evidence: God is supremely good. Therefore, He would never allow me to be deceived.

Rebuttal: I am deceived *occasionally*.

Argument 4: There is no God.

Evidence: I have been made by chance, fate, or cause and effect. I am further away from the origin or humankind. The further I am, the weaker, flawed, and imperfect I am. This makes me more likely to be deceived, or fooled. To be fooled or deceived is a sign of weakness, or imperfection.

Conclusion: If I can doubt the existence of God, which is a foundational belief of mine, I can doubt anything.