

2: The Ghost Not

Additional Materials, Links and References

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[The Ghost Not - Key Points](#) A very succinct description of the Ghost Not concept by Constantine Plotnikov.

[Thoughts on Improving the Presentation](#) Some further discussion of the core idea, and different ways to express it.

[Motivational Inversion](#) Some discussion of the idea that the Ghost Not converts selfishness into anti-altruism, altruism into anti-selfishness, rationalism into anti-spirituality and spirituality into anti-rationalism.

[Ghost Not Ethics](#) What happens to ethics in a delusional logical field caused by an underlying disbelief in objective reality.

Links

[The Human Evasion](#) by Celia Green. This remarkable work takes over in the human psychological context where "2: The Ghost Not" leaves off. The Ghost Not provides a single logical distortion to account for the observed Evasion, while the Evasion works through the human consequences of the Ghost Not.

[Stephane Lupasco](#) A prior discoverer of some of the formal aspects of the Ghost Not, who realised the consequences for antagonism based transactions.

[Insane Patent](#) An interesting remark about patents on Slashdot. Quote: "Apparently IBM tried and succeeded patenting using the word 'more' for flipping through multiple pages of text". This is what happens when one's symbolic representation of the world dominates the reality.

[The Pleasure of Thinking for Yourself](#). Sane comments from a Ghost Not infested world.

References

Laing, R. D.

Knots

Penguin

Laing recognised the deep logical structure in the linguistic games he saw people playing, and set it down. At the root of it all is the logical blindspot documented in "2: The Ghost Not".

Laing, R. D.

The Politics of Experience and the Bird of Paradise

Penguin

Laing's description of humanity in the grip of M0.

Spencer-Brown, George

Laws of Form

E. P Dutton

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The mathematical notation in "2: The Ghost Not" comes from this. A cult classic amongst hackers nearly 30 years ago, also referenced in Robert Anton Wilson's "Universe Next Door" books.