Human Reasoning and the Weak Completion Semantics II Technische Universität Dresden Exercise 5

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Problem 1

- Please discuss and provide a modelling of the *collapsing bridge* scenario for utilitarianism and the doctrines of double and triple effects.
- As an extension to the above, assume that something is *abnormal* with respect to the collapse, for example the switch of the machine which will collapse the bridge is not working. Because of this the actor in the scenario, Ian, now considers if he should throw the heavy person off the bridge. To that end, please provide a modelling of the extension under the doctrine of the double effect.

(Good to remember - *casualty* means people badly affected by an event or situation, here, dead or injured people).