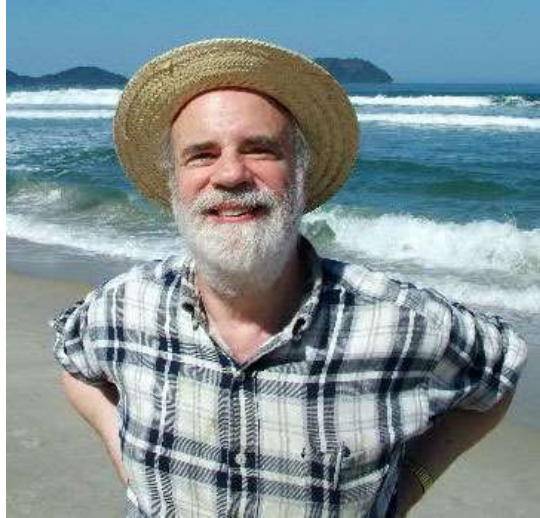


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Saul A. Kripke (1940 – 2022)

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IT SHOULD BE borne in mind that *Philosophical Investigations*¹ is not a systematic philosophical work where conclusions, once definitely established need not be reargued. Rather the Investigations is written as a perpetual dialectic, where persisting worries, expressed by the voice of the imaginary interlocutor, are never definitively silenced.²

Since the work is not presented in the form of a deductive argument with definitive theses as conclusions, the same ground is covered repeatedly from the point of view of various special cases from different angles with the hope that the entire process will help the reader see the problems rightly.³

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¹ *Philosophical Investigations* (German: *Philosophische Untersuchungen*) is a work by the philosopher Ludwig Wittgenstein, published posthumously in 1953.

² Attributed to Wittgenstein:

When you are philosophizing
you have to descend into primal chaos
and feel at home there.

³ Saul A. Kripke, *Wittgenstein on Rules and Private Language* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press,) 3.

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