

JOHN SEARLE calls it something of a **scandal** that after all the centuries of writing about **free will**, we have not made very much progress.

BOB DOYLE surveys the centuries, recounting the many different forms of **determinism** that have been used to deny human **freedom** and **responsibility**. Even many defenders of free will think that it remains a metaphysical mystery, one that cannot be simply explained by basing it on other unintelligible mysteries such as quantum mechanics, or making it an equally mysterious gift of God.

This book is an introduction to the FREEDOM section of the INFORMATION PHILOSOPHER website, a work in progress on some classical questions in philosophy that 20<sup>th</sup>-century logical positivists and analytic language philosophers *dis-solved* as pseudo-problems.

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According to Doyle, the more serious scandal today is that academic philosophers are convincing many young students that they are biological machines whose actions are completely determined.

To end the scandal, philosophers need to teach a **two-stage model of free will** and **creativity**, one that Doyle finds in the work of a dozen philosophers and scientists going back to WILLIAM JAMES in 1884.

Doyle’s **Cogito** model of the mind treats human beings as an essential part of a **cosmic creation** process that creates objective **value**.

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(Actual Sequence)

Two-Stage Model with Limit

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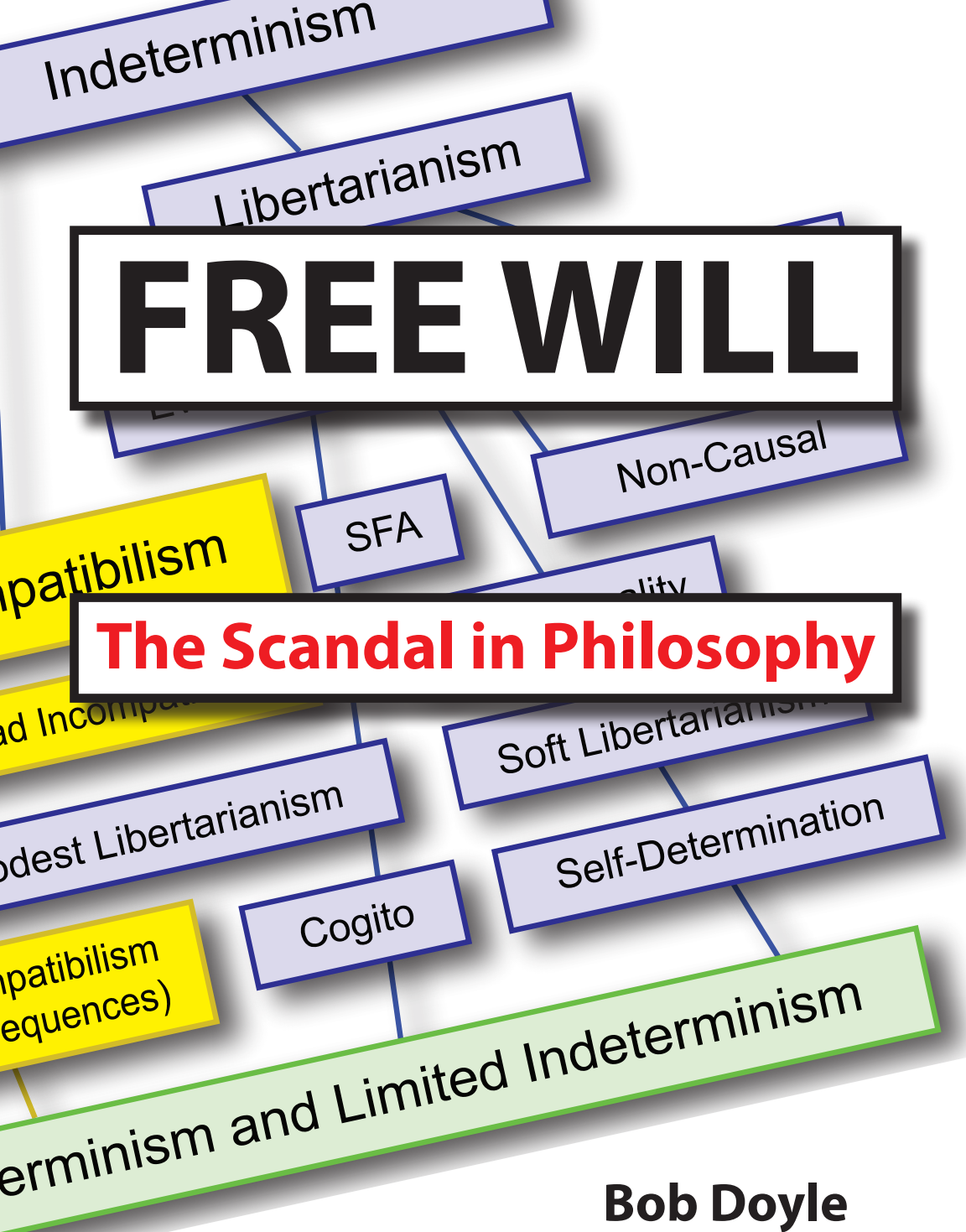
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