

## The Hard Problem for Soft Moral Realism

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**[Abstract]** Recently several prestigious moral philosophers have been proposing a *soft* version of moral realism, according to which moral facts—though it is reasonable to postulate them—cannot metaphysically explain other facts (Dworkin 2011; Parfit 2011; Scanlon 2014). However, soft moral realism is faced with what I call the *Hard Problem*, namely, the problem of how this soften version of moral metaphysics could accommodate moral knowledge. This paper reconstructs three responses to the Hard Problem on behalf of the soft realist: the *autonomy* response, the *rationalist* response, and the *third-factor* response. Then I argue that none of them is successful.