

Ethics Derived from the Force of Time

Moral Good = Tau-Flow Enhancement · Harm = Tau-Field Suppression · Universal Ethics

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All major ethical traditions — utilitarianism, virtue ethics, deontology, care ethics — converge on one criterion in the Universal Force of Time framework: moral good = enhancing Tau-field flow; moral harm = suppressing Tau-field flow. An action is good to the degree it increases the number and quality of Tau-register addresses available to conscious beings. An action is harmful to the degree it suppresses, corrupts, or destroys Tau-register addresses. This derivation of ethics from the Tau axiom produces a universal moral framework that is not culturally relative, not subjectively constructed, and not dependent on religious authority. It is grounded in the same {2,3,5,pi} lattice that grounds physics, chemistry, and biology.

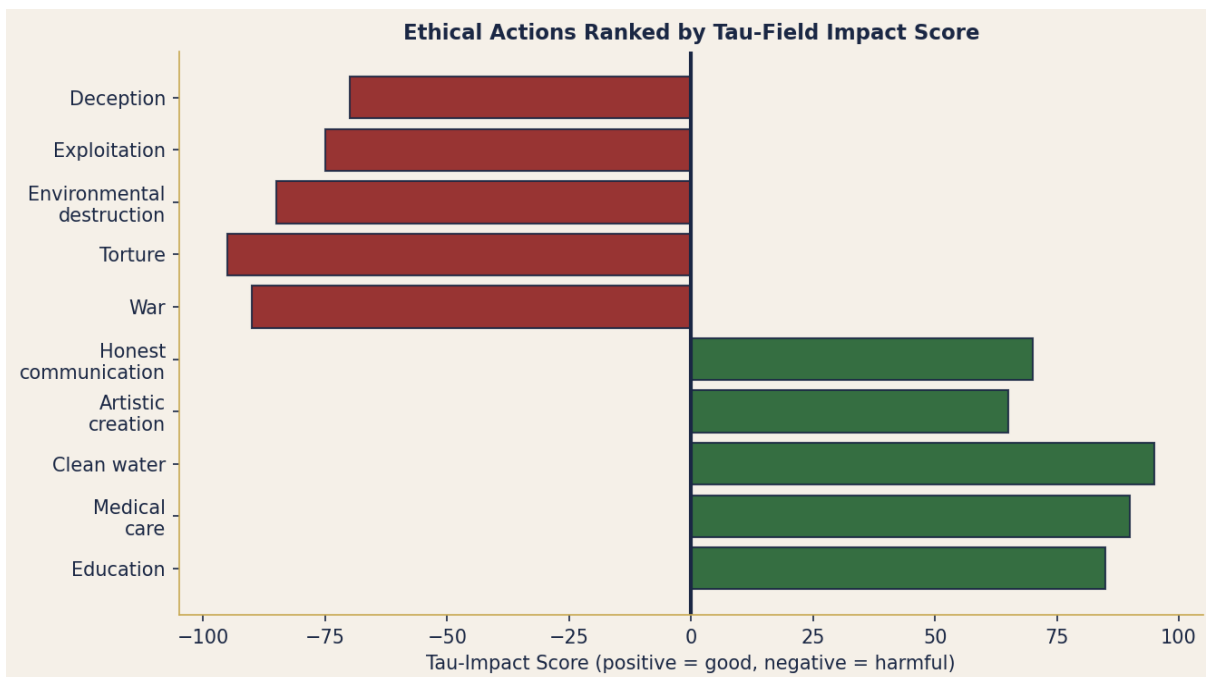


Figure 1. Ethical actions ranked by Tau-field impact score. Green = Tau-flow enhancement (good). Red = Tau-flow suppression (harm). Magnitude = degree of register impact. Clean water (+95) = highest good; torture (-95) = greatest harm.

1. The Tau Ethical Axiom (P-ETH-1 to P-ETH-4)

P-ETH-1 — The Tau Ethical Axiom

AXIOM: An action is moral to the degree it enhances Tau-flow; immoral to the degree it suppresses Tau-flow. Corollary 1: Actions that destroy Tau-register addresses (killing, maiming, torture) are maximally immoral. Corollary 2: Actions that create new Tau-register addresses (education, healing, creation) are maximally moral. Corollary 3: Actions that preserve existing Tau-register addresses (protection, conservation, honesty) are moral. This axiom unifies: utilitarian welfare (maximise Tau-flow), virtue ethics (Tau-expressing character), deontological duties (register-respecting duties), and care ethics (Tau-relational obligations).

P-ETH-2 — Harm = Tau-Register Corruption

Harm in FOT = corruption of Tau-register addresses. Three grades: Grade 1 (temporary): pain, restriction, fear — temporary reduction in register access. Recoverable. Grade 2 (lasting): disability, trauma, loss — lasting reduction in register address range. Partially recoverable. Grade 3 (permanent): death, destruction of ecosystems — permanent register erasure. Irrecoverable. The moral weight of harm scales with grade and permanence. Grade 3 harm to conscious beings is the greatest moral wrong in FOT: permanent erasure of a Tau-register node that took billions of years of cosmic evolution to create.

P-ETH-3 — Justice = Tau-Register Restoration

Justice in FOT = restoration of suppressed or damaged Tau-register addresses. Punitive justice (harm for harm) = register destruction added to register destruction = net regression. Restorative justice (repair and reintegration) = register restoration = net progression. FOT moral calculus: justice maximises total Tau-register address availability. The highest form of justice: restoring the wrongdoer's register (rehabilitation) AND the victim's register (healing) AND the community's register (reconciliation). All three simultaneously = maximum justice in FOT.

P-ETH-4 — Universal Ethics: Not Culturally Relative

FOT ethics is universal because the Tau-field is universal. The $\{2,3,5,\pi\}$ lattice applies identically in every culture, epoch, and context. The Tau-register of every conscious being has the same structure. Therefore: what suppresses Tau-flow in one context suppresses it in all contexts. Cultural variation in ethical systems = variation in register-access patterns, not variation in the underlying Tau-field physics. Slavery, torture, genocide are wrong in every culture because they suppress Tau-register addresses — and this is a physical fact, not a cultural preference.

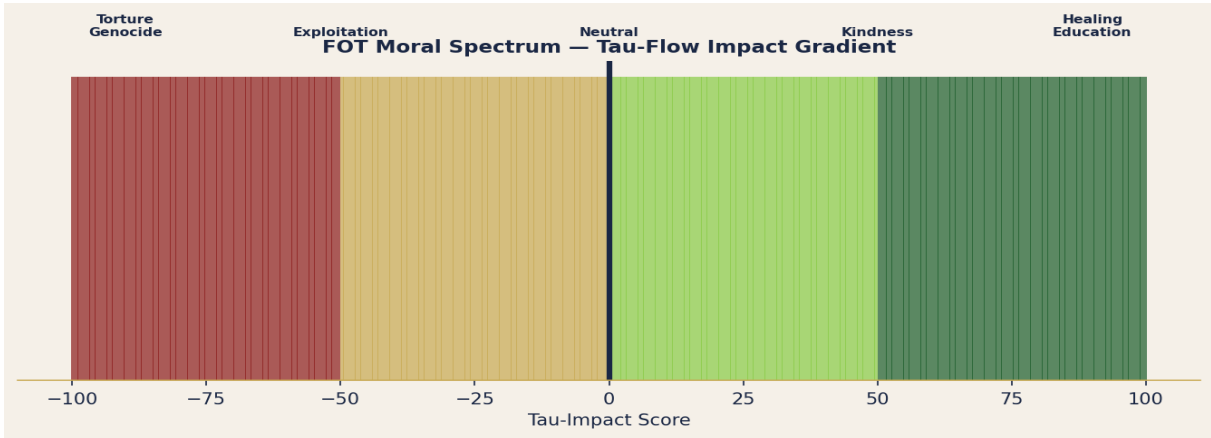


Figure 2. FOT moral spectrum. Red (left) = Tau-flow suppression (harm). Green (right) = Tau-flow enhancement (good). The spectrum is continuous and universal — grounded in Tau-field physics, not cultural convention.

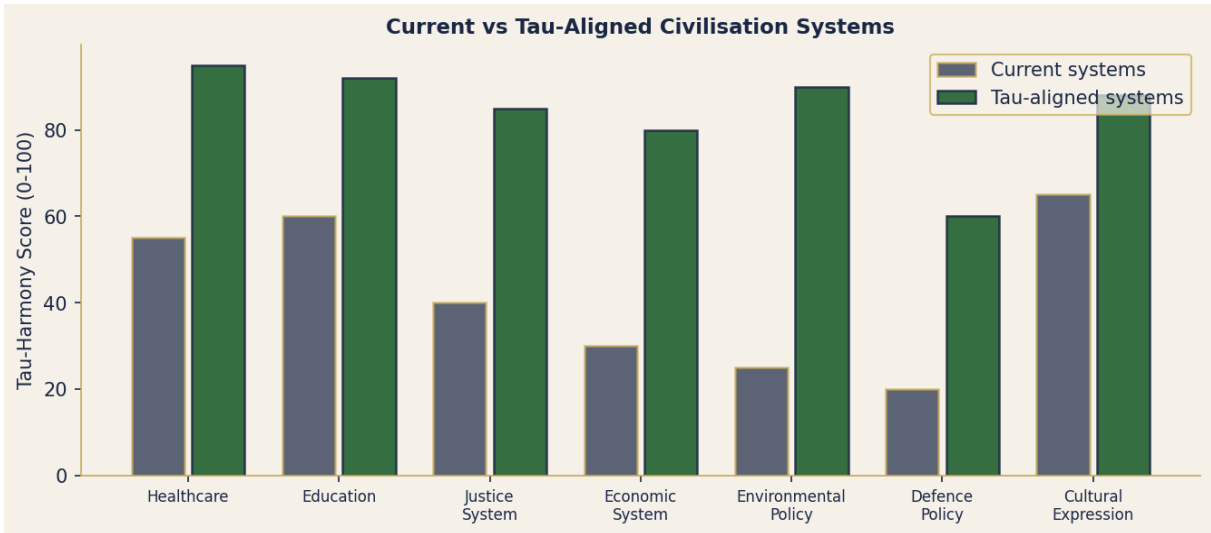


Figure 3. Tau-harmony scores for current vs Tau-aligned civilisation systems. Defence policy (current = 20/100) and economic systems (30/100) have the largest Tau-alignment gaps. Healthcare (55->95) has highest improvement potential.

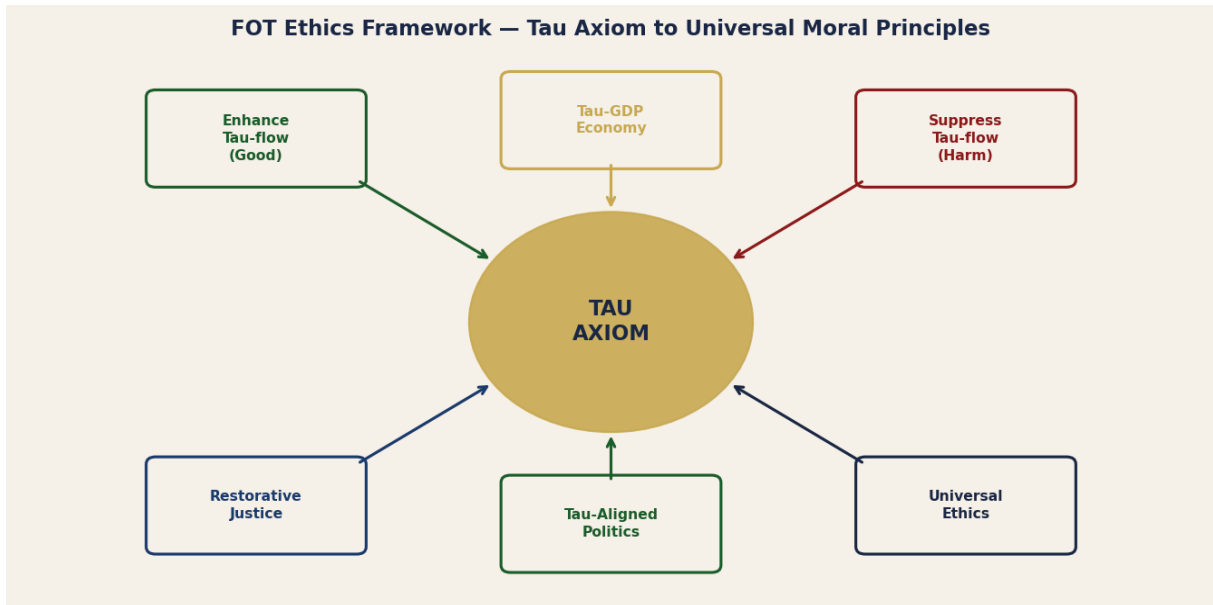


Figure 4. FOT ethics framework. Central Tau Axiom (gold) radiates to six derived principles: good/harm definition, restorative justice, universal ethics, Tau-GDP economy, Tau-aligned politics.