

Today

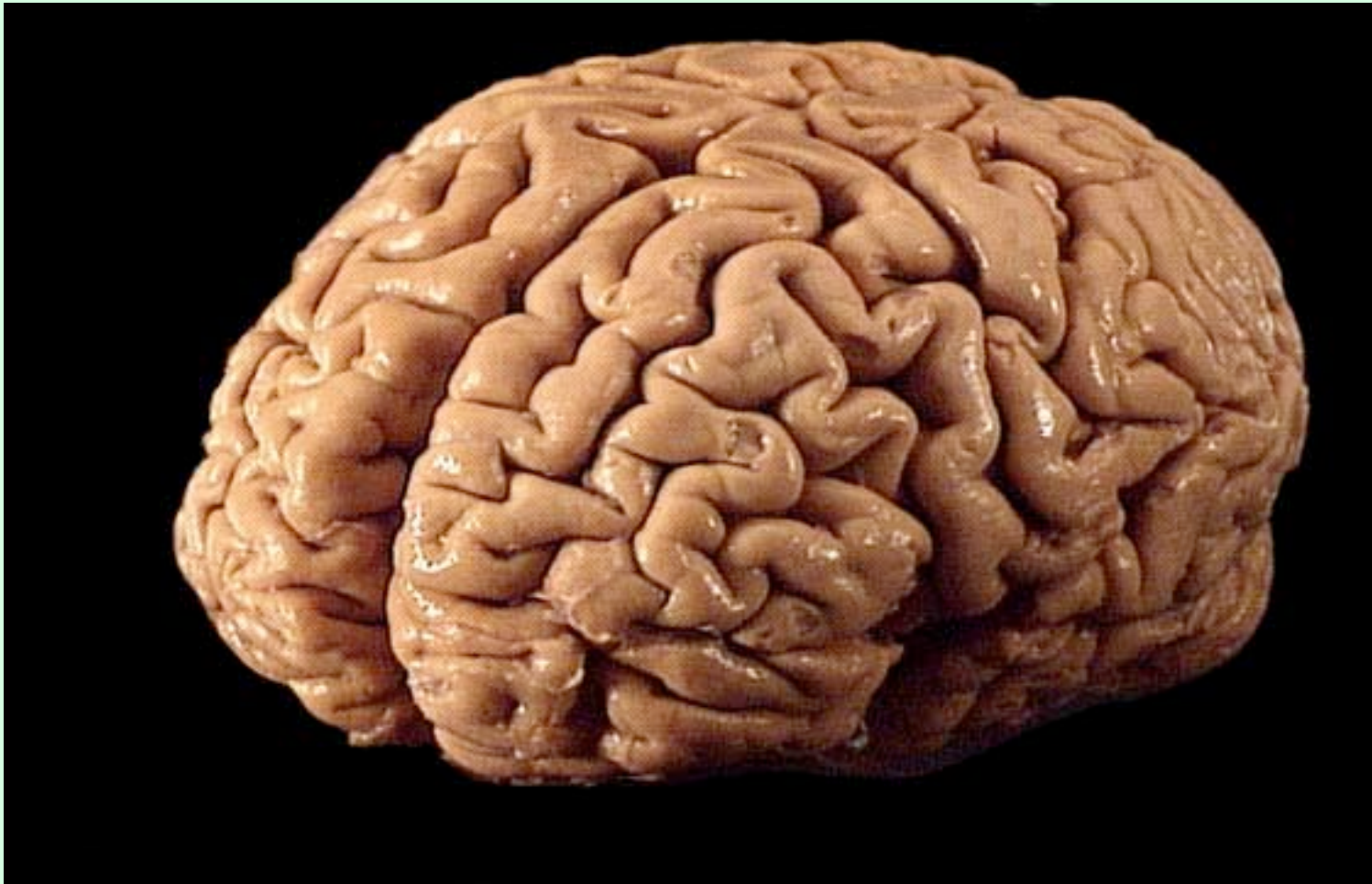
- Brief point about Nagel
- Mind-body problem(s)
- Mind-world relationship
- Tips on the second reading

a comment about Nagel

mind

body

world



mind = brain?

Questions from folk psychology

How do thoughts happen?

propositional attitudes

How do qualia happen?

consciousness

Can thinking cause action?

free will

Does our spirit die when we do?

immortality

two views of philosophy

determining the truth

uncovering possibilities

“Philosophy is useful when you are the stage where you can learn a lot about a problem just by thinking about it.”

John Perry

Theories of mind and brain

Dualism

Behaviorism

Materialism

Dualism

substance dualism

radical skepticism

Descartes' arguments

mind is apparent

mind is indivisible

can't perceive wax, but can understand it

Cartesian dualism - mind has
no “extent”

Popular dualism - mind is
different from body, but is
inside it

“ghost in the machine”

argument from religion



Bruno burned for heresy

parapsychological phenomena

a knock down argument against
substance dualism?

Property dualism

epiphenomenalism - mental
properties have no causal
effects

interactionist property dualism

mental properties are emergent

mental properties are
irreducibility

Jackson's neuroscientist

Chalmers proposal

Arguments against property dualism

minds are embodied

panpsychism?

Ockham's razor

pragmatism

evolutionary continuum

Behaviorism

privileged access -
unobservable

verification

zombies?

inverted spectrum argument

Materialism I: Reductionism

Leibniz's law: A and B are identical iff they share all properties

Is the brain knowable?

Materialism II: Functionalism

Mind as software

**Psychology independent of the
brain**

Uploading the brain?

Materialism III: Eliminativism

mental states don't exist

analogies

witches

phlogiston

elan vital

spirit diseases

Failures of folk psychology

introspectionism

experiments

split brains

Differ from reductionism?

gamma synchrony

DFPLC

Mind and world

Idealism

dreams, other minds

Realism

“God is no deceiver”

Transcendentalism