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If a being suffers there can be no moral justification for refusing to take that suffering into consideration.
Peter Singer, *Animal Liberation* (1975, p. 8)

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Symbols and notation conventions

The symbols used in this dissertation are based mainly on Huang (2017), Levinson (2000), and Magnus (2015) and adapted to fit current purposes.

p	proposition p
q	proposition q
$\top$	truth-conditionally true
$\bot$	truth-conditionally false
$\rightarrow$	ordinary conditional (natural language *if*)
$\supset$	material conditional (logical *if*)
$\approx$	conventional truth-conditional meaning
$\widetilde{\approx}$	conventional non-truth-conditional meaning
$+>>$	conventional implicature
$+>$	conversational implicature
$\neg$, ~	negation
$\wedge$	conjunction (logical *and*)
$\vee$	disjunction (logical *or*)
$\leftrightarrow$	equivalence (*iff*, 'if and only if')
$\imath$	definite description
$\mathrm{Qn}_2+>$	conversational implicature through second sub-maxim of maxim of quantity (cf. Grice, 1989; letters for maxim, number for sub-maxim)
#	infelicitous utterance
$*$	ungrammatical sentence
?	questionable utterance or sentence