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KUHN IS KANT ON WHEELS

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I liked that quote from [Professor Lipton](#) in a recent essay about the "[World of Science](#)" where he repeats his earlier "[Kuhn is Kant on wheels](#)":

Like Kant, Kuhn held that the world described by science is a world partially constituted by cognition. But whereas Kant held that there is only one form the human contribution could take, Kuhn argued that the contribution changes as science changes. Kuhn is Kant on wheels.

I am more attracted by an objectivist than a constructivist view — where the world has its own structure that is only revealed by science (at least in part) and religion (also in other parts). As I am currently reading [Klemke](#) – probably one of the best books in the field – maybe that will change my mind? Nay, nay.

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