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Eighteen months ago, I started writing a very different book. That book, which drew heavily on previously published work of mine, explained bad belief formation as the product of the ways in which we fall short of rationality. During the months of lockdown, first in the UK and then in Australia, I came to a very different view. According to the account I now defend, bad beliefs are produced by rational agents responding appropriately to evidence.

Since my view is now so different from the one I earlier espoused, I've departed much further from previously published work than I had expected. Still, in retrospect that work can be seen as groping toward my current position, and I have drawn from previously published papers where they were helpful. While most have been heavily revised, I have drawn from the following papers:

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