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Think about it. Scientists have no real way to know that string theory is even applicable. However, they can induce it's probable coherency because everything adds up mathematically. There is no way to actually prove the definitive existence of strings, but we have a solid theory that suggests it is probable that they exist.

The same works for this. Inductive arguments, while an unreliable source of objective truth, are a good tool in clocking what is more probable in a given situation. We have every reason to believe that since probably everything we experience is in motion, it has a mover. This means that regardless of the conditions of the big bang--whether it be the start of the universe, or the next motion in a cosmic ballet--were caused by something that existed or exists. The flipside is to suggest that it is not probable that we can use inductive arguments prior to the big bang (for which ends are confusing, because we have no way to clock when we were caused into existence in the first place, so to assume the big bang was the point is kind of foolhearty). Unfortunately, we have no basis to say such a thing because the evidence suggests the exact opposite.

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