

Implication

↳ relationship between 2 propositions

1st antecedent

$y =$ consequent

If x then y

If it rains, then we use an umbrella

If one ingests cyanide, one dies

Implications simply indicates if... then

Let's understand this with the truth table for implication.

E.g.: If one is a murderer, one is a criminal. If it is proven that a person is a murderer, it automatically implies that s/he is a criminal. Being a murderer implies being a criminal.

M = John is a murderer; C = John is a criminal.

$M \rightarrow C$ = If John is a murderer, it implies that John is a criminal as well.

↳ Compound statement

Doesn't imply correlation! just co-occurrence.

M	C	$M \rightarrow C$
1	1	1
1	0	0
0	1	1
0	0	1

John is a murderer, and he is criminal. Possible?

John is a murderer. But not a criminal. Possible?

John is not a murderer. Yet a criminal. Possible?

John is not a murderer. And not a criminal. Possible?

Look at the last two cases. If John is not a murder (column first), then it does not matter whether he is a criminal or not (second column), the implication shall always be true (third column). Because it is talking about a conditional, not a real situation.

Vacuous truths do not add any information/knowledge.

Vacuous = Without significance, without content.

This kind of truth has no significance or meaning.

It has no pragmatic value, because it adds nothing to your knowledge.

If a statement like, "A is B" and "A is not B" are both true, then you have learnt nothing about A and B.

It is just to rescue the square of opposition
(diagonal relationships only tho)

C Set A type & E type as ^{for imaginary} true, as
A type & E type don't have existential import)
then I type & O type is false

↙
this isn't existential truth
this is vacuously true

Shorthand notation

Categorical proposition

In short:

S means the subject set, or class 'S'.

P means the predicate set, or class 'P'.

$= 0$ means 'does not exist', i.e. the membership is zero

$\neq 0$ means 'there exists', i.e. the membership is not zero

$S' = \text{Not } S$

$P' = \text{Not } P$

$SP \rightarrow$ class of things that belong to classes
 S & P

Eg: $S \rightarrow$ All Swiss individuals
 $P \rightarrow$ all penatropers

This was symbolism for the classes. Now let's look at the symbolism for the categorical propositions which mention relationships between classes.

A-type = All S is P

Whatever is in S is also in P.

There is no S that is (not in P)

S that is (not in P) (does not exist)

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$SP' = 0$

$E^{\text{type}} = \text{no } S \text{ is } P$

Class of members common
between S & P is
doesn't exist

$SP = 0$

I-type: Some S is P

↳ existence $\Rightarrow \neq \emptyset$

Class of members common between S & P exists

$$SP \neq \emptyset$$

O type = Some S is not P

(There exists) S that is (not P)

$$SP^1 \neq \emptyset$$