

Arguments With Quantified Statements

Universal Instantiation:

If a property is true of everything in a set, then it is true of any particular thing in the set.

All men are mortal.

Socrates is a man.

\therefore Socrates is mortal.

Universal Modus Ponens:

$$\forall x, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$$

$P(a)$, for particular a

$$\therefore Q(a)$$

Universal Modus Tollens:

$$\forall x, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$$

$\neg Q(a)$, for particular a

$$\therefore \neg P(a)$$

Universal Transitivity:

$$\forall x, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$$

$$\forall x, Q(x) \rightarrow R(x)$$

$$\therefore \forall x, P(x) \rightarrow R(x)$$

Euler Diagrams:

All human beings are mortal

Felix is mortal

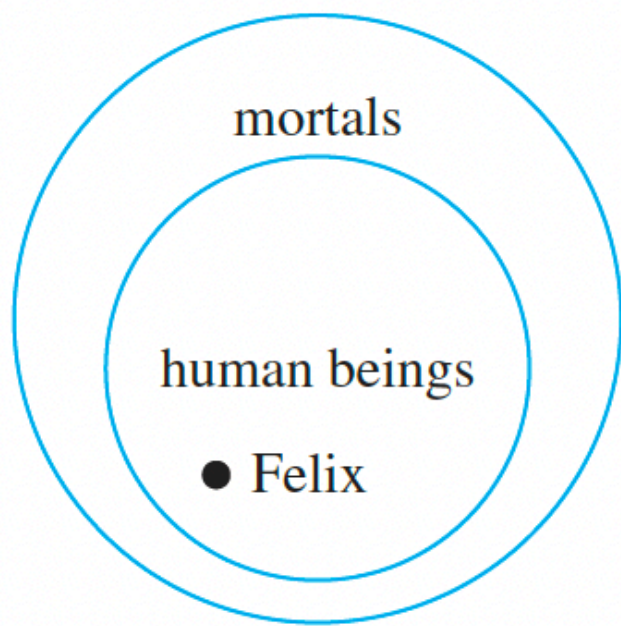
\therefore Felix is human being

$$\forall x \in H, H(x) \rightarrow M(x)$$

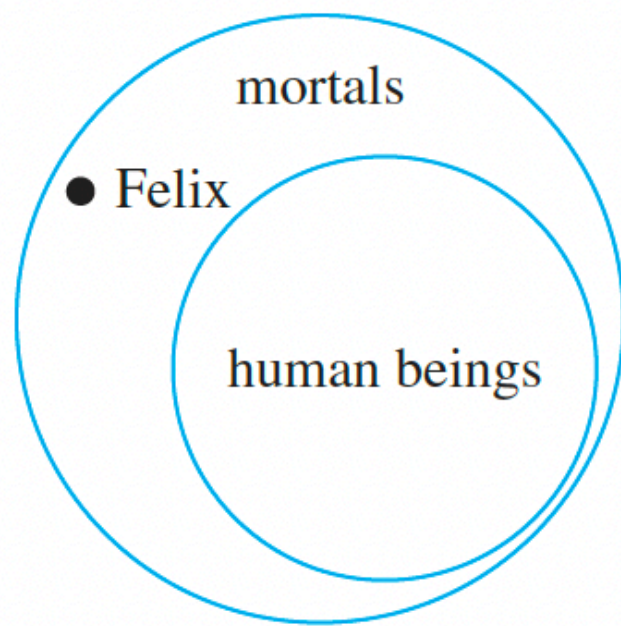
$$M(F)$$

$$\therefore H(F)$$

(Wrong Logic)



(a)



(b)

Converse Error (Affirming the consequent):

$$\forall x, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$$

$Q(a)$, for particular a

$\therefore P(a)$ (Wrong Logic)

Inverse Error (Denying the antecedent):

$$\forall x, P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$$

$\neg P(a)$, for particular a .

$\therefore \neg Q(a)$ (Wrong Logic)