

Math 321

Q's / $W(\Box, \Delta)$: " \Box has visited Δ "

Univ. & Discourse

\Box is students @ WSU
 Δ is websites.

ex $W(\text{Mark}, \text{google.com})$

"Mark has visited google.com"

② $\boxed{\exists t \forall z \{ t \neq (\text{David}) \wedge [W(\text{David}, z) \rightarrow W(t, z)] \}}$

↑ website.
↑ student
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(listen to lecture
to get the english sentences)

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Useful Truths

Arguments: Use things that are true,

(no false allowed, within reason)

Mathematical Argument

$$\underbrace{\{p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n\}}_{\text{premises}} \rightarrow \underbrace{q}_{\text{conclusion}}$$

Note: If a premise is not given but assumed, this is an Enthymene

Note: an argument is valid if

$$\{[p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n] \rightarrow q\} \models T$$

if all p_i are T then q is T

Valid Argument

Def: Argument Form is an argument that is valid and it only uses propositional variables.

Rules of Inference

tautology

$$[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge p] \rightarrow q$$

$$\begin{array}{c} p \rightarrow q \\ p \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$$

Affirming the hyp.
or
Modus Ponens

$$[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg q] \rightarrow \neg p$$

$$\begin{array}{c} p \rightarrow q \\ \neg q \\ \hline \therefore \neg p \end{array}$$

Denying the conclusion
or
Modus Tollens

$$\begin{array}{c} p \rightarrow q \\ q \rightarrow r \\ \hline \therefore p \rightarrow r \end{array}$$

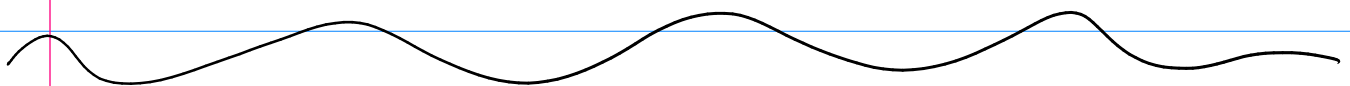
hypothetical
Syllogism

$$\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \\ \neg p \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$$

disjunctive
Syllogism

etc

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Fallacies : non-valid argument that people tend to pass off as valid.

ex (1)
$$\begin{array}{r} P \rightarrow Q \\ \neg P \\ \hline \therefore \neg Q \end{array}$$
 Fallacy & denying hyp.
bad

ex (2)
$$\begin{array}{r} P \rightarrow Q \\ Q \\ \hline \therefore P \end{array}$$
 Fallacy & affirm. conc.
bad

ex (3) Circular Reasoning. Assume Conclusion is T.