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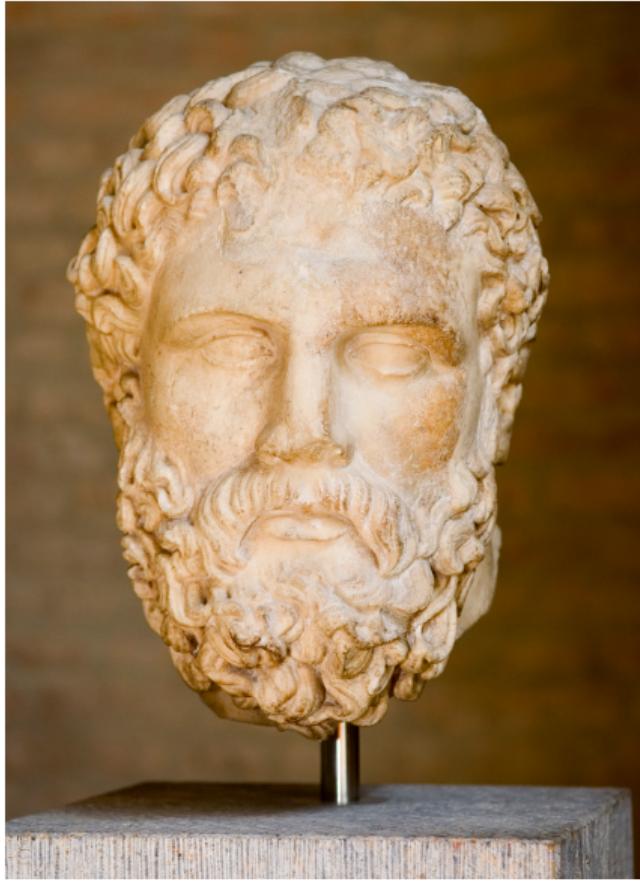
(P2) If Zeno is a philosopher, then he puts forward arguments.

(C) Zeno puts forward arguments.

(P1) A .

(P2) If A , then B .

(C) B .



Paradox:

a logically valid argument in which each premise is plausible if taken by itself, but where the conclusion of the argument is absurd.

$$\begin{array}{c} (\text{P1}) \quad \dots \text{ [plausible]} \\ (\text{P2}) \quad \dots \text{ [plausible]} \\ \vdots \\ \hline (\text{C}) \quad \dots \text{ [absurd]} \end{array} \left. \right\} \text{logically valid}$$

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(P3) If P1 and P2 are the case, then

Achilles does not overtake the tortoise at any of x_1, x_2, \dots nor at any point in between any two of them.

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Therefore:

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$$T_n=\frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

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Natural numbers: $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\{2,1,3\}=\{1,2,3\}$$

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{Hannes Leitgeb}

$\{\text{Hannes Leitgeb}\} = \{\text{the philosopher who is giving this lecture}\}$

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Principle of Extensionality:

For all sets X, Y : $X = Y$ if and only if

for all z it holds: z is a member of X if and only if z is a member of Y .

(“Two sets are identical if and only if they have the same members.”)

$\{1\}$ is a subset of $\{1, 2\}$.

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Proper Subsets:

For all sets X, Y : X is a proper subset of Y if and only if
 X is a subset of Y , but Y is not a subset of X .

(“One set is a proper subset of another if and only if the former is a subset of the latter, but not the other way around.”)



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Indeed: $\{1, 2\}$ does not have equally many members as $\{1, 2, 3\}$.

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$\{2, 4, 6, \dots\}$ is a proper subset of $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \dots\}$.

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- (P1*) If X is a proper subset of Y , then X does not have **equally₁** many members as Y .
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Equal Size (Equinumerosity, Equipollence):

For all sets X, Y : X has equally₂ many members as Y if and only if there is a pairing off between the members of X and those of Y .

Smaller Size:

For all sets X, Y : X has less₂ members than Y if and only if
 X has equally₂ many members as a proper subset of Y ,
but X does not have equally₂ many members as Y .

For all sets X and Y :

Either X has less₂ many members than Y ,
or X has equally₂ many members as Y ,
or Y has less₂ many members than X .

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The real numbers: $0, 1, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}, -[18233 + 16/17], \sqrt{2}, \pi, \dots$

0	=	0.0000000000000000...
1	=	1.0000000000000000...
$\frac{1}{2}$	=	0.5000000000000000...
$-\frac{1}{3}$	=	- 0.3333333333333333...
$-[18233 + 16/17]$	=	- 18233.94117647058...
$\sqrt{2}$	=	1.414213562373095...
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 2 & \leftrightarrow & [\dots] . x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3^2 \dots \\
 \vdots & & \vdots
 \end{array}$$

x_n^m : the n -th decimal place of the real number paired off with m .

E.g.: if $0 \leftrightarrow [\dots] . 333\dots$

then $x_1^0 = 3, x_2^0 = 3, x_3^0 = 3, \dots$

$$\begin{array}{ll} 0 & \leftrightarrow [\dots] . x_1^0 x_2^0 x_3^0 \dots \\ 1 & \leftrightarrow [\dots] . x_1^1 x_2^1 x_3^1 \dots \\ 2 & \leftrightarrow [\dots] . x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3^2 \dots \\ \vdots & \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \end{array}$$

$$0 . y_1 y_2 y_3 \dots$$