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arguments, specifically deductive arguments

ARGUMENT

- a sequence of statements
- one of which is the conclusion (often denoted with :. next to it)
- the rest are premises
- the premises are intended to provide some evidence for the conclusion





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A+ argument

conclusion

premises conclusion

1.2 IDENTIFYING ARGUMENTS

Conclusion Indicators Premise Indicators

Therefore For Since Hence Because

So Assuming that For this reason Seeing that Accordingly Granted that

Consequently
This is true because
This being so
The reason is that
It follows that
The moral is
This is true because
The reason is that
For the reason that
In view of the fact that

Which proves that It is a fact that

Which means that As shown by the fact that

From which we can infer that Given that As a result Inasmuch as

In conclusion One cannot doubt that

Schaum's outlines, p. 3

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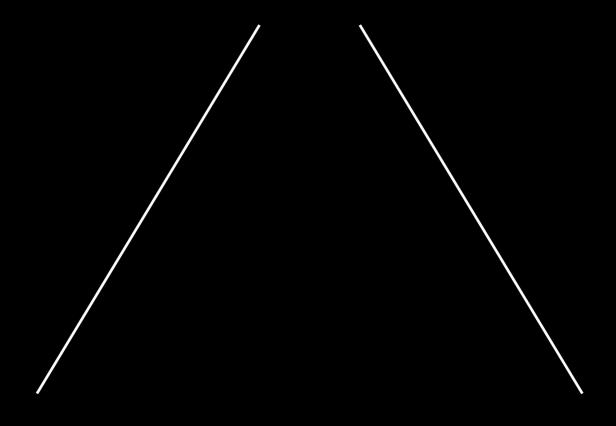
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Inductive argument indicator words

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(im)probably
(un)likely
it is (un)reasonable to conclude that...
it is (im)plausible to conclude that...
chances are...
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FORMAL LOGIC

the study of argument forms

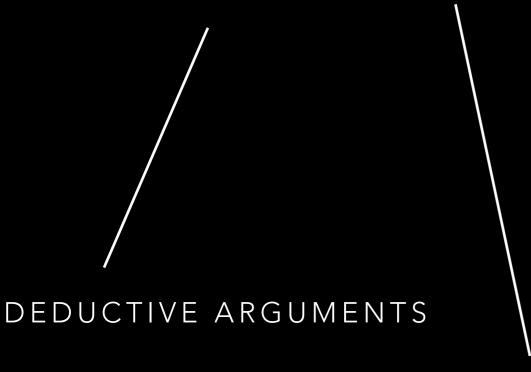


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FORMAL LOGIC vs. INFORMAL LOGIC

the study of argument forms



the study of arugments in natural languages (includes the study of fallacies) LPS/PHIL 29

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