Rules of Inference

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1 Modus Ponens

 $p \to q$

p

 $\therefore q$

2 Modus Tollens

 $p \to q$

 $\sim q$

∴ $\sim p$

3 Generalisation

p

 $\therefore p \lor q$

q

 $\therefore p \vee q$

4 Specialisation

$$p \wedge q$$

$$\therefore p$$

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 $\therefore q$

5 Conjunction

$$\therefore p \wedge q$$

6 Elimination

$$p \vee q$$

$$\sim q$$

$$\therefore p$$

$$p \vee q$$

$$\sim p$$

$$\therefore q$$

7 Transitivity

$$p \rightarrow q$$

$$q \rightarrow r$$

$$\therefore p \to r$$

8 Proof by Division into cases

$$\begin{aligned} p &\vee q \\ p &\to q \\ q &\to r \\ & \therefore r \end{aligned}$$

9 Contradiction Rule

$$\begin{array}{l} \sim p \rightarrow (contradiction) \\ \therefore p \end{array}$$