

7.3 Valid and Invalid Arguments

Based on Implications
truth values placed
the hypothesis and conclusion
are determined by valid arguments

$$P \rightarrow Q$$

there are 4 valid
arguments that
follow logical rules

Direct Argument

$$\begin{array}{l} P \rightarrow Q \text{ is true} \\ P \text{ is true} \\ \hline Q \text{ is true} \end{array}$$

If the pizza is hot, then
I eat 4 slices
The pizza is hot

Indirect Argument

$$\begin{array}{l} P \rightarrow Q \text{ is true} \\ \text{not } Q \text{ is true} \\ \hline \text{not } P \end{array}$$

Chain Rule

$$\begin{array}{l} P \rightarrow Q \text{ true} \\ Q \rightarrow R \text{ true} \\ \hline P \rightarrow R \text{ true} \end{array}$$

Or Rule

$$\begin{array}{l} P \text{ or } Q \text{ true} \\ \text{not } Q \\ \hline P \text{ is true} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} P \text{ or } Q \\ \text{not } P \\ \hline Q \text{ is true} \end{array}$$

Only one you change direction
and still be valid

Valid

Direct $P \rightarrow Q, P \therefore Q$
 Indirect $P \rightarrow Q, \text{not } Q \therefore \text{not } P$
 chain $P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R \therefore P \rightarrow R$
 Or $P \text{ or } Q, \text{not } Q \therefore P$

Invalid

$P \rightarrow Q$
 $\frac{Q}{\therefore P}$ can't assume true

 $P \rightarrow Q$
 $\frac{\text{not } P}{\therefore \text{not } Q}$ can't assume true