

1. Recall all the syllogistic terminology.
2. Give some examples of syllogisms valid traditionally and not in first-order logic. Try to identify a pattern.
3. Think of the three 'paradigms' of experimental research in syllogistic reasoning (p. 250). Identify their (*a priori*) weaknesses.
4. What *illicit conversion* consists in? Under what interpretation conversions of A and O sentences would be *licit*?
5. Identify in the Table 1 (p. 251) the following syllogisms: Barbari (I), Celarent (I), Cesare (II), Camestres (II), Festino (II), Darapti (III), Bocardo (III), Camenes (IV).
6. What are 'donkey sentences'? Give some examples.
7. Give a first-order translation for the original 'donkey sentence'. Give a first-order translation for the sentence "If a farmer owns a donkey, he beats it." Explain which quantifiers you chose to translate the indefinite noun phrase and motivate your choice.
8. Give some examples of upward entailing and downward entailing.
9. Create a monotonicity profile for 'most'.
10. What are traditional (Aristotelian, say) justifications for rules: NO/ALL-NOT, ALL/SOME?
11. What 'no inference without interpretation' means?

#### Additional materials

- Jonathan Sippel and Jakub Szymanik (2018) "[Monotonicity and the Complexity of Reasoning with Quantifiers](#)", *Proceedings of the 40th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*.
- Marcin Zajenkowski, Jakub Szymanik and Maria Garraffa (2013) "[Working Memory Mechanism in Proportional Quantifier Verification](#)", *Journal of Psycholinguistic Research*, Vol. 43(6), pp. 839–853.
- Marcin Zajenkowski and Jakub Szymanik (2013) "[MOST intelligent people are accurate and SOME fast people are intelligent. Intelligence, working memory, and semantic processing of quantifiers from a computational perspective](#)", *Intelligence. A Multidisciplinary Journal*, Vol. 41(5), 2013, pp. 456–466.
- Sangeet Khemlani and P. N. Johnson-Laird (2012) "[Theories of the Syllogism: A Meta-Analysis](#)", *Psychological Bulletin*, Vol. 138(3), pp. 427–457.
- Mike Oaksford and Nick Chater (2001) "[The probabilistic approach to human reasoning](#)", *TRENDS in Cognitive Sciences*, Vol. 5(8), pp. 349–356.

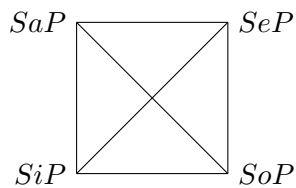
**Mnemonics**

- *P* – the major term, predicate in the conclusion
- *S* – the minor term, subject of the conclusion
- *M* – the middle term
- *a, i, e, o* – *Afflrmo, nEgO*
- proof hints:
  - B, C, D, F – first figure valid mood to be used
  - *s* – s-conversion
  - *p* – p-conversion
  - *m* – metathesis (switch of premises)
  - *c* – *reductio at impossibile*

**Sentences**

*a* – universal affirmative, *e* – universal negative, *i* – particular positive, *o* – particular negative

**Square of opposition**



relationships:

- contrariety  $SaP - SeP$
- subcontrariety  $SiP - SoP$
- subalternation  $SaP - SiP, SeP - SoP$
- contradiction  $SaP - SoP, SeP - SiP$

**Conversion, obversion, contraposition**

	conversion	obversion	contraposition	
<i>SaP</i>	<i>PiS</i> *	<i>SeP'</i>	<i>P'aS'</i>	* p-conversion, ** s-conversion
<i>SeP</i>	<i>PeS</i> **	<i>SaP'</i>	<i>P'oS'</i>	
<i>SiP</i>	<i>PiS</i> **	<i>SoP'</i>	–	
<i>SoP</i>	–	<i>SiP'</i>	<i>P'oS'</i>	

**Syllogistic figures**

	Figure I	Figure II	Figure III	Figure IV
major	<i>MP</i>	<i>PM</i>	<i>MP</i>	<i>PM</i>
minor	<i>SM</i>	<i>SM</i>	<i>MS</i>	<i>MS</i>
conclusion	<i>SP</i>	<i>SP</i>	<i>SP</i>	<i>SP</i>

**Valid moods (primary)**

Barbara, Celarent, Darii, Ferioque prioris  
 Cesare, Camestres, Festino, Baroco secundae  
 Tertia Darapti, Disamis, Datisi, Felapton,  
 Bocardo, Ferison habet. Quarta insuper addit  
 Bramantip, Camenes, Dimaris, Fesapo, Fresison.