

Refutation of the postulate of contradiction

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We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/VL4 with τ autology as the designated *proof* value, F as contradiction, N as truthity (non-contingency), and C as falsity (contingency). Results are a 16-valued truth table in row-major and horizontal, or in repeating fragments from 128-tables for more variables.

LET $p, q, r, s: s_1, s_2, K, S;$
 \sim Not; $\&$ And; $>$ Imply; $@$ Not Equivalent; $(p@p) F$ contraction.

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Considering a system S which is in a superposition of states s_1 and s_2 , the authors introduce a predicate symbol $K(S, s_1)$ to represent the predicate that “ S has the superposition predicate associated with s_1 ”. The same reading holds with obvious adaptation for $K(S, s_2)$ and for $\neg K(S, s_1)$ and $\neg K(S, s_2)$.

To account for a contradiction, a *Postulate of Contradiction* is introduced:

when S is in a superposition of s_1 and s_2 , we have

$$K(S, s_1) \wedge \neg K(S, s_1) \wedge K(S, s_2) \wedge \neg K(S, s_2). \quad [1.1]$$

“This means that superposition implies contradiction”... . [2.1]

$$((r\&(s\&p))\&(\sim r\&(s\&p)))\&((r\&(s\&q))\&(\sim r\&(s\&q))) ; \quad \text{FFFF FFFF FFFF FFFF} \quad (1.2)$$

$$((r\&(s\&(p\&q)))>(((r\&(s\&p))\&(\sim r\&(s\&p)))\&((r\&(s\&q))\&(\sim r\&(s\&q))))>(p@p) ; \quad \text{FFFF FFFF FFFF FFFF}\mathbf{T} \quad (2.2)$$

Eq. 1.2 as rendered is contradictory as intended. However Eq. 2.2 is *not* contradictory and differs by one value in **bold**. This refutes the postulate of contradiction.

What follows is that the uncorrected Square of Opposition, or derivative polygons as such, cannot map quantum logic as a probabilistic vector space.

However, the corrected, bivalent Modern Square of Opposition can map quantum logic, as shown elsewhere, to show it is *not* tautologous and hence untenable.