

Propositional Logic, Truth Tables, and Epicurus' Objection to "Dialectic"

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Also need to note for Don't benefit here that while I still today think that the issue of absence of necessity, arising from human free will, is an important part of the refusal to say that hermarchus must be either alive or dead tomorrow, I continue last night's caveat that I could be wrong on that and that there may still be a purely logical point beyond necessity that Epicurus was concerned about.

So I would say that until that issue is resolved we're still on the hunt for the most exact way to express Epicurus' concern.

Maybe it's two steps that are independent of each other in the Hermarchus example ----

1 - there's no direct linkage (necessity) between the proposition and the conclusion. (a general objection to all propositional logic)

2 - the reason there's no direct linkage in this particular case is the presence of human free will. (the specific absence of linkage that applies in this case)