Outline

PHILOSOPHICAL ISSUES ABOUT TRUTH

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Truth is a concept that is put to various uses to meet various objectives. Among these one use is taken up in connection with deductive reasoning. A deductive argument is taken to be valid when it so happens that if the premises are true, then the conclusion is also true. The notion of truth that is usually brought in to explain validity of deductive reasoning has been given a well-developed technical treatment. But such treatment has also raised certain philosophical issues. The lecture series will deal with some of these issues. But the main and ultimate thrust will be to get familiarized with the debate between the classical and the intuitionist notions of truth.