## Logic and design methodology

#### second stage

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# Why logic for many centuries was regarded as an important part of higher education?

- The logic is the critical study of reasoning
- It's a subject having both theoretical interest and practical utility.
- It's a knowledge for its own sake for its close relations with philosophical questions.
- A person who can recognize and avoid logical mistakes in reasoning will be able to think more clearly and correctly ... More soundly and surly.

- During the medieval times, **Aristotle**'s writing on logic were deeply as the central and most important part of logic.
- Especially by the Arab philosophers Farabi and Avicenna.
- 18<sup>th</sup> century the German philosophers Kant reflected the Aristotelian system on logic was completed since;
- A subject whose essentials were fully understood and in which new principles remained to be discovered.

### What is philosophy?

• The derivation of the word is from the Greek roots:

- PHILO means LOVE OF.
- **SOPHOS** means **WISDOM**.
- PHILOSOPHY means LOVE OF WISDOM.

#### Main branches of the philosophy

• 1- Metaphysics (Beyond physics):

Understand the nature of real universe through intellectual problems of great importance to all thinking people: is the universe basically physical or spiritual?

• 2- Epistemology (theory of knowledge):

Investigate the nature and scope of knowledge in different branches.

• 3- Ethics (Moral philosophy):

Study the actions and attitudes and investigates the notions of good and evil, right and wrong, duty and obligations ... etc.

#### • 4- Aesthetics:

Its deals with notion of beauty and other notions related to the value of works of art (harmony, order, pattern ... Etc.)

• 5- logic:

Its concerned with correct reasoning , by the act of arguments. Argument are important in everyday life.

No.	Main Branch	Concern	Question they address
1	Metaphysics	Study of existence	What out there?
2	Epistemology	Study of knowledge	How can I know about it?
3	Ethics	Study of action	What should I do? What actions are permissible?
4	Aesthetics	Study of art and beauty	How can we appreciate the world around us?
5	Logic	Study of reasoning	How can we understand life and facts around us?

• According to the previous knowledge; The clear definition for the logic could be:

The study of methods and principles used to distinguish good (correct) reasoning from bad (incorrect) reasoning.

• So we can conclude that: All reasoning is thinking ... But not all thinking is reasoning.

#### **Logic in Architecture**

- The architecture involved in **practical** and **emotional** needs.
- Its quite distinct from the other arts, which can all be dispended with.
- Any civilization can be understood by its architecture, because of the way buildings show the interest of a society, its organizational skills, affluence or poverty the kind of climate and attitude towards technology and the arts.

- Design in the dictionary means :
- To draw, to form a plan of, to contrive, to intend, a plan or scheme formed in the mind, mental plan.
- Based on the previous definitions; the design could be (conscious mental act).
- Therefore; we should think or analyze all different aspect of the problem related to the design, to be able to come up with satisfactory design.

# The following steps should be taken into consideration:

- 1- **Determining** problems that need to be solve.
- 2- Analyzing the problems.
- 3- **deducting** the solution to these problems from our analysis.
- 4- Forming a design with an intent to reach a goal that will solve all the problems.

In architecture the main aim of design process is to create a comprehensive solution that an satisfy the human needs.

#### **Hierarchy of human needs**

- The hierarchy from strongest to weakest needs can be listed as:
- Physiological needs (hunger, thirst, sleep ...etc)
- Safety needs (security and protection from the physical harm)
- Belonging and love needs (membership in a group and the receiving of affection)
- Esteem needs (the individual to held in high value)
- Actualization needs (the desire to fulfill one's capacities)
- Cognitive and aesthetics needs (the thirst for knowledge and desire for beauty).

#### The real question is:

• How could architecture fulfill all human needs?

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