

## Refutation of the Banach-Tarski paradox

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**Abstract:** We evaluate the crucial claim of the proof in Step 3, as a fleshed out detail. It is *not* tautologous, nor is it contradictory. This means the claim is a non tautologous fragment of the universal logic  $\forall\exists 4$  and constitutes the briefest known refutation of the Banach-Tarski paradox.

We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/ $\forall\exists 4$  with Tautology as the designated proof value, **F** as contradiction, **N** as truthity (non-contingency), and **C** as falsity (contingency). The 16-valued truth table is row-major and horizontal, or repeating fragments of 128-tables, sometimes with table counts, for more variables. (See ersatz-systems.com.)

LET  $\sim$  Not,  $\neg$ ; + Or,  $\vee$ ,  $\cup$ ; - Not Or; & And,  $\wedge$ ,  $\cap$ ,  $\cdot$ ; \ Not And;  
 $>$  Imply, greater than,  $\rightarrow$ ,  $\Rightarrow$ ,  $\supset$ ,  $>$ ,  $\supset$ ,  $\vdash$ ,  $\models$ ,  $\gg$ ;  
 $<$  Not Imply, less than,  $\in$ ,  $<$ ,  $\subset$ ,  $\prec$ ,  $\neq$ ,  $\leq$ ;  
 $=$  Equivalent,  $\equiv$ ,  $:=$ ,  $\Leftrightarrow$ ,  $\leftrightarrow$ ,  $\hat{=}$ ,  $\approx$ ,  $\simeq$ ; @ Not Equivalent,  $\neq$ ;  
 $\%$  possibility, for one or some,  $\exists$ ,  $\diamond$ , **M**; # necessity, for every or all,  $\forall$ ,  $\square$ , **L**;  
 $(z=z)$  **T** as tautology,  $\top$ , ordinal 3;  $(z@z)$  **F** as contradiction,  $\emptyset$ , Null,  $\perp$ , zero;  
 $(\%z<\#z)$  **C** as contingency,  $\Delta$ , ordinal 1;  $(\%z>\#z)$  **N** as non-contingency,  $\nabla$ , ordinal 2;  
 $\sim(y < x)$  ( $x \leq y$ ), ( $x \subseteq y$ );  $(A=B)$  ( $A\sim B$ ).  
 Note: For clarity we usually distribute quantifiers on each variable as designated.

From: [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Banach-Tarski\\_paradox](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Banach-Tarski_paradox)

Some details, fleshed out ... [for Step 3 of 4]

What remains to be shown is the Claim:  $S^2 - D$  is equidecomposable with  $S^2$ .

Proof. Let  $\lambda$  be some line through the origin that does not intersect any point in  $D$ . This is possible since  $D$  is countable. Let  $J$  be the set of angles,  $\alpha$ , such that for some natural number  $n$ , and some  $P$  in  $D$ ,  $r(n\alpha)P$  is also in  $D$ , where  $r(n\alpha)$  is a rotation about  $\lambda$  of  $n\alpha$ . Then  $J$  is countable. So there exists an angle  $\theta$  not in  $J$ . Let  $\rho$  be the rotation about  $\lambda$  by  $\theta$ . Then  $\rho$  acts on  $S^2$  with no fixed points in  $D$ , i.e.,  $\rho^n(D)$  is disjoint from  $D$ , and for natural  $m < n$ ,  $\rho^n(D)$  is disjoint from  $\rho^m(D)$ . Let  $E$  be the disjoint of  $\rho^n(D)$  over  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Then

$$S^2 = E \cup (S^2 - E) \sim \rho(E) \cup (S^2 - E) = (E - D) \cup (S^2 - E) = S^2 - D, \quad (3.1)$$

$$\text{LET } p, q, r, s: E, D, \rho, S^2$$

$$(s = ((p + (s - p)) = (r \& p) + (s - p))) = (((p - q) + (s - p)) = (s - q)) ; \quad (3.2)$$

**FFTT FTTF FFTF FTTT**

where  $\sim$  denotes "is equidecomposable to".

**Remark 3.2:** We write " $\sim$ " as "equivalent to". Eq. 3.2 as rendered is *not* tautologous. Because it is the crucial claim of the proof, the result is that the Banach-Tarski paradox is also not contradictory, and hence a nontautologous fragment of the universal logic  $\forall\exists 4$ .