

P.E.Meehl: Philosophical Psychology Seminar

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Popper and related

Popper 1919 eclipse, Adler, Marx, Freud, Astrology, Einstein

Confirmation vs Falsification seeking

Demarcation of science vs non-science

Basic logic: Implicative syllogism, modus tollens, 3rd figure invalid (empirical science)

Risky tests → Stronger corroboration

Spielraum, narrow prediction

Salmon's damn strange coincidence

Bayes's Theorem

Refuse protocol. Theories can control facts.

Ether drift. Mendeleev.

Feyerabend against method.

Lakatos diachronic; Degenerating programs