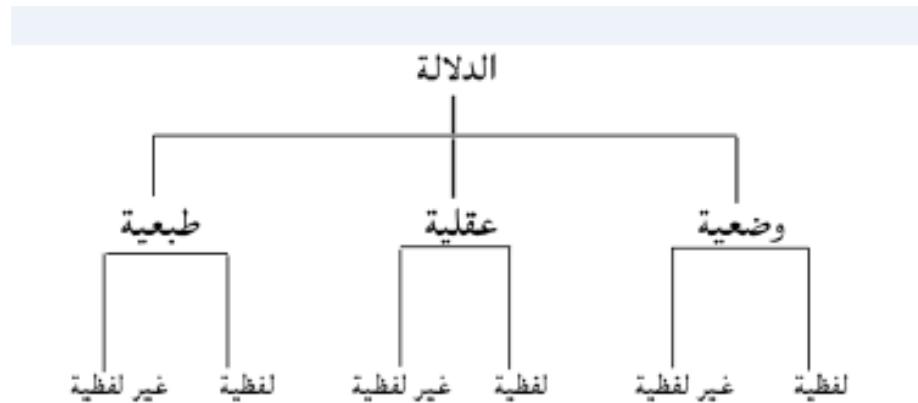


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Dalalah (signification) is of three kinds:

- 1) **formulative** (*al-Dalalah al-Wad'iyyah*) when **the cause of dalalah is formulation (wad')**
- 2) **Rational** (*al-Dalalah al-Aqliyyah*) when **the cause of dalalah is reasoning ('Aql)**
- 3) **Natural** (*al-Dalalah al-Tab'iyyah*) when **the cause of dalalah is nature (Tabee'ah)**

Each kind of *dalalah* is either **verbal** (*lafziyyah*) or **non-verbal** (*Ghairel-lafziyyah*)

- **Verbal** formulative *dalalah*; e.g. **Ali**
- **Non-verbal** formulative *dalalah*; e.g. **gestures**
- Verbal rational *dalalah*; e.g. **a voice implicates a speaker.**
- Non-verbal rational *dalalah*; e.g. **this creation implicates a creator.**
- Verbal natural *dalalah*; e.g. **Ah-Ah! Upon pain in the chest.**
- Non-verbal natural *dalalah*; e.g. **yellowish face implicates fear.**

