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Lesson 36

The Coupled Syllogism

The coupled syllogism is of two kinds:

1-**Attributive** (al-Ḥamali): it is composed of Attributive Propositions only.

2-**Conditional** (ash-Sharṭi): it is composed of Conditional Propositions or Conditional and Attributive propositions.

For the sake of conciseness in the mind of the beginner, after mentioning the Conditional Syllogism (ash-Sharṭi), we will limit mention to only the Attributive Syllogism.

The Attributive Coupled Syllogism:

The Premises:

- 1) This is a human
- 2) And every human is a body.

The result: This, then, is a body.

This syllogism includes two premises:

First: *This is a human*. It is called the Minor Premise (aṣ-Ṣughra).

Second: *Every human is a body*. It is called the Major Premise (al-Kubra).

These two premises include three words called: *the Terms* (al-Ḥudūd) and they are: *This, human and body*. The word which is in the first premise only, meaning: *This*, is called: The More Minor Premise (al-Aṣghar).