Logical Simplicity

To say that one term, say $u$, is logically simpler than another, say $w$, means precisely that the affirmation of $w$ concerning any subject implies the affirmative truth of $u$ concerning the same subject, while the affirmation of $u$ does not reciprocally imply the affirmative truth of $w$; and it may be remarked, by the way, that disquiparance is thus necessarily involved in logical simplicity: but we need not argue from that principle.


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