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Term: Presumption [as a form of reasoning]

Quote: An imaginary increase of information is an assumption or supposition; but the

former word is preferable. An increase of information by induction, hypothesis, or analogy, is a *presumption*. (A *legal presumption* is a presumption which follows an accepted rule of the courts, irrespective of the dictates of good sense.) A very weak presumption is a *guess*. A presumption opposed to direct

testimony is a *conjecture*, or, if weak, a *surmise*.

Source: Peirce, C. S. (1893). Grand Logic 1893: Division II. Methodology. Chapter XV.

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