

The catch-22 of marrying Luciana

1. Luciana is not a virgin
2. No one will/should marry Luciana because she is not a virgin
3. Yossarian wants to marry Luciana
4. She will not marry Yossarian because he's crazy.
5. Yossarian is crazy because he wants to marry a non-virgin.
 - a. Yossarian loves Luciana because he cannot marry her.
 - b. He can't marry her because she is crazy.
 - c. Luciana is crazy because she rejects him for marriage.

Why does she reject him? See number one.

Let's phrase it in another way.

Yossarian is crazy because he loves Luciana. He loves her because he can't marry her. He can't marry her because Luciana won't marry someone crazy enough to marry someone who is a non-virgin.

Or let's try a visual way:

