

Theoretical Foundations of Logic Programming

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Introduction

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- ▶ Declarative programming formalism
- ▶ Knowledge representation formalism

Two facets

- ▶ Prolog
- ▶ Answer-set programming

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My goal

To present foundations of LP

- ▶ Focus on **negation** and its semantics

Roughly ...

- ▶ Basic syntax and semantics
- ▶ Horn logic programming — basis for Prolog (briefly)
- ▶ The need for negation
- ▶ Semantics of negation (supported, stable, Kripke-Kleene, well-founded)
- ▶ Properties of semantica (completion, Fages Lemma, loop theorem, equivalence)
- ▶ More general settings (logic HT, algebra)
- ▶ (Some) proofs

Some logic terminology

Language

- ▶ **Constant**, **variable**, **function** and **predicate** symbols
- ▶ **Terms**: strings built recursively from constant, variable and function symbols
- ▶ $c, X, f(c, X), f(f(c, X), f(X, f(X, c)))$
- ▶ **Atoms**: built of predicate symbols and terms
- ▶ $p(X, c, f(a, Y))$

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Herbrand model

- ▶ **Ground terms**: no variable symbols
- ▶ **Herbrand universe**: collection of all ground terms
- ▶ **Ground atoms**: atoms built of predicate symbols and ground terms
- ▶ $p(a, c, f(a, a))$
- ▶ **Herbrand base**: collection of all ground atoms
- ▶ **Herbrand model**: subset of an Herbrand base

Semantics

- ▶ Given by Herbrand models
 - ▶ $grnd(P)$: the set of all ground instances of clauses in P
 - ▶ Thus, no difference between P and $grnd(P)$
- ▶ Key question:
which ground facts hold in every Herbrand model of P ?
- ▶ Sufficient to restrict to Herbrand models contained in $HB(P)$
 - ▶ Herbrand universe of P , $HU(P)$
(if no constant symbols in P , a single constant symbol introduced)
 - ▶ Herbrand base of P , $HB(P)$
 - ▶ Ground atoms not in $HB(P)$ are not true in all Herbrand models

Least Herbrand model

- ▶ Every Horn program P has a **least** Herbrand model $LM(P)$
 - ▶ the intersection of a set of Herbrand models of a Horn program is a Herbrand model of the program
 - ▶ $HB(P)$ is an Herbrand model of P
 - ▶ the intersection of all models is a least Herbrand model (and it is contained in $HB(P)$)
- ▶ **Single** intended Herbrand model
- ▶ For a **ground** t , $P \models p(t)$ if and only if $p(t) \in LM(P)$
- ▶ For **ground** t , if $P \not\models p(t)$, **defeasibly** conclude $\neg p(t)$
- ▶ Closed World Assumption (CWA)

Computing with Horn programs

What do they specify, what can they express?

- ▶ A Horn program P specifies a subset X of the Herbrand universe for P , $HU(P)$, if for some predicate symbol p occurring in P we have:

$$X = \{t \in HU(P) : p(t) \in LM(P)\}$$

- ▶ Finite Horn programs specify precisely the r.e. sets and relations
Smullyan, 1968, Andreka and Nemeti, 1978

Reachability — an example

Program P

$arc(a, b).$

$arc(b, c).$

$arc(d, c).$

$reach(X, X).$

$reach(X, Y) \leftarrow arc(X, Z), reach(Z, Y).$

Reachability — an example

HU(P), HB(P), ground(P)

- ▶ $HU(P) = \{a, b, c, d\}$
- ▶ $HB(P) = \{arc(a, a), arc(a, b), \dots, reach(a, a), \dots\}$
- ▶ $ground(P)$:

$arc(a, b). \quad arc(b, c). \quad arc(d, c).$
 $reach(a, a). \quad reach(b, b). \quad reach(c, c). \quad reach(d, d).$
 $reach(a, a). \leftarrow arc(a, a), reach(a, a).$
 $reach(a, b). \leftarrow arc(a, b), reach(b, a).$
...
 $reach(c, b). \leftarrow arc(c, d), reach(d, b).$
...

Reachability — an example

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Computing with Horn programs

Possible issues?

- ▶ Function symbols necessary!
- ▶ List constructor $[\cdot|\cdot]$ used to define higher-order objects
- ▶ Terms - basic data structures
- ▶ Queries (goals):
 - ▶ $?p(t)$ - is $p(t)$ entailed?
 - ▶ $?p(X)$ - for what ground t , is $p(t)$ entailed?
- ▶ Proofs provide answers
- ▶ SLD-resolution
- ▶ Unification - basic mechanism to manipulate data structures
- ▶ Extensive use of recursion
- ▶ Leads to Prolog

Example

Manipulating lists: *append* and *reverse*

append([], *X*, *X*).

append([*X*|*Y*], *Z*, [*X*|*T*]) ← *append*(*Y*, *Z*, *T*).

reverse([], []).

reverse([*X*|*Y*], *Z*) ← *append*(*U*, [*X*], *Z*), *reverse*(*Y*, *U*).

- ▶ both relations defined recursively
- ▶ terms represent complex objects: lists, sets, ...

Example, cont'd

Playing with *reverse*

- ▶ Problem: reverse list $[a, b, c]$
 - ▶ Ask query ? – $reverse([a, b, c], X)$.
 - ▶ A proof of the query yields a substitution: $X = [c, b, a]$
 - ▶ The substitution constitutes an answer
- ▶ Query ? – $reverse([a|X], [b, c, d, a])$ returns $X = [d, c, b]$
- ▶ Query ? – $reverse([a|X], [b, c, d, b])$ returns no substitutions (there is no answer)

Example, cont'd

Observations

- ▶ Techniques to search for proofs — the key
- ▶ Understanding of the resolution mechanism is important
- ▶ It may make a difference which logically equivalent form is used:
 - ▶ $reverse([X|Y], Z) \leftarrow append(U, [X], Z), reverse(Y, U).$
 - ▶ $reverse([X|Y], Z) \leftarrow reverse(Y, U), append(U, [X], Z).$
 - ▶ termination vs. non-termination for query:
? – $reverse([a|X], [b, c, d, b])$
- ▶ Is it truly knowledge representation?
 - ▶ is it truly declarative?
 - ▶ implementations are not!
- ▶ Nonmonotonicity quite restricted

Negation in the body

Why negation?

- ▶ Natural linguistic concept
- ▶ Facilitates knowledge representation (declarative descriptions and definitions)
- ▶ Needed for modeling convenience
- ▶ Clauses of the form:

$$p(\vec{X}) \leftarrow q_1(\vec{X}_1), \dots, q_k(\vec{X}_k), \text{not } r_1(\vec{Y}_1), \dots, \text{not } r_l(\vec{Y}_l)$$

- ▶ Things get more complex!

Semantics of programs with negation

Observations

- ▶ Still Herbrand models
- ▶ Still restricted to $HB(P)$
- ▶ But — usually no least Herbrand model!
- ▶ Program

$a \leftarrow not\ b$

$b \leftarrow not\ a$

has two **minimal** Herbrand models: $M_1 = \{a\}$ and $M_2 = \{b\}$.

- ▶ Identifying a **single** intended model a major issue

Great Logic Programming Schism

- ▶ Single *intended* model approach
 - ▶ continue along the lines of Prolog
- ▶ Multiple *intended* model approach
 - ▶ branch into answer-set programming

“Better” Prolog

- ▶ Extensions of Horn logic programming
 - ▶ Perfect semantics of stratified programs
 - ▶ 3-val well-founded semantics for (arbitrary) programs
- ▶ Top-down computing based on unification and resolution
- ▶ XSB – David Warren at SUNY Stony Brook
- ▶ Will come back to it

Multiple intended models

Answer-set programming

- ▶ Semantics assigns to a program not one but **many** intended models!
 - ▶ for instance, all stable or supported models (to be introduced soon)
- ▶ How to interpret these semantics?
 - ▶ skeptical reasoning: a ground atom is **cautiously entailed** if it belongs to all intended models
 - ▶ **intended models represent different possible states of the world, belief sets, solutions to a problem**
- ▶ Nonmonotonicity shows itself in an essential way
 - ▶ as in default logic

Normal logic programming

Preliminary observations and comments

- ▶ Logic programs with negation
- ▶ Still interested only in Herbrand models
- ▶ Thus, enough to consider propositional case
- ▶ Supported model semantics
- ▶ Stable model semantics
- ▶ Connection to propositional logic (Clark's completion, tightness, loop formulas)
- ▶ Kripke-Kleene and well-founded semantics
- ▶ Strong and uniform equivalence

Normal logic programming — propositional case

Syntax

- ▶ Propositional language over a set of atoms At (possibly infinite)
- ▶ Clause r

$$a \leftarrow b_1, \dots, b_m, \text{not } c_1, \dots, \text{not } c_n$$

- ▶ a, b_i, c_j are atoms
- ▶ a is the **head** of the clause: $hd(r)$
- ▶ literals $b_i, \text{not } c_j$ form the **body** of the rule: $bd(r)$
- ▶ $\{b_1, \dots, b_m\}$ - **positive** body $bd^+(r)$
- ▶ $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ - **negative** body $bd^-(r)$

One-step provability operator

Basic tool in LP

van Emden, Kowalski 1976

- ▶ Operator on interpretations (sets of atoms)
- ▶ $T_P(I) = \{hd(r) : I \models bd(r)\}$
- ▶ If P is Horn, T_P is monotone
 - ▶ Let $I \subseteq J$
 - ▶ Let $bd(r) = b_1, \dots, b_m$ (no negation!)
 - ▶ If $I \models bd(r)$ then $J \models bd(r)$
 - ▶ Thus, $T_P(I) \subseteq T_P(J)$
 - ▶ Least fixpoint of T_P exists and coincides with the least Herbrand model of P
- ▶ In general, not the case (due to negation)
 - ▶ $\emptyset \models \text{not } a$
 - ▶ but $\{a\} \not\models \text{not } a$

Definition and some observations

- ▶ $M \subseteq At$ is a **supported** model of P if $T_P(M) = M$
- ▶ Supported models are indeed models
 - ▶ let $M \models bd(r)$
 - ▶ then $hd(r) \in T_P(M)$
 - ▶ and so, $hd(r) \in M$
- ▶ Supported models are subsets of $At(P)$ (the Herbrand base of P)
- ▶ Thus, they are Herbrand models

Supported models - example

Program $p \leftarrow \text{not } q$

- ▶ One supported model: $M_1 = \{p\}$
- ▶ $M_2 = \{q\}$ - not supported (but model)
- ▶ p “follows”
- ▶ If q included in the program (more exactly: a rule $q \leftarrow$)
 - ▶ Just one supported model: $M_1 = \{q\}$.
 - ▶ p does not “follow”
 - ▶ nonmonotonicity

Supported models - example

Program $p \leftarrow p$

- ▶ Two supported models: $M_1 = \emptyset$ and $M_2 = \{p\}$
- ▶ The second one is self-supported (circular justification)
- ▶ A problem for KR

Clark's completion

Rules as implications

- ▶ $bd^{\wedge}(r)$ the conjunction of all literals in the body of r
with all not c replaced with $\neg c$
- ▶ $compl^{\leftarrow}(P) = \{bd^{\wedge}(r) \rightarrow hd(r) : r \in P\}$

Clark's completion

Rules as definitions

- ▶ Notation: $def_P(a) = \bigvee \{bd^{\wedge}(r) : hd(r) = a\}$
- ▶ **Note:** if a not the head of any rule in P , $def_P(a) = \perp$
- ▶ $cmpl^{\rightarrow}(P) = \{a \rightarrow def_P(a) : a \in At\}$
- ▶ $cmpl(P) = cmpl^{\leftarrow}(P) \cup cmpl^{\rightarrow}(P)$
- ▶ **Note:** if $a \notin At(P)$, $cmpl(P) \models \neg a$

Clark's completion

Example

$a \leftarrow b, \text{not } c$

$a \leftarrow d$

$b \leftarrow a$

- ▶ $\text{def}(a) = (b \wedge \neg c) \vee d$
- ▶ $\text{def}(b) = a$
- ▶ $\text{def}(c) = \perp$
- ▶ $\text{cpl}^{\leftarrow} = \{b \wedge \neg c \rightarrow a; d \rightarrow a; a \rightarrow b\} = \{(b \wedge \neg c) \vee d \rightarrow a; a \rightarrow b\}$
- ▶ $\text{cpl}^{\leftarrow} = \{\text{def}(a) \rightarrow a; \text{def}(b) \rightarrow b; \text{def}(c) \rightarrow c\}$
- ▶ $\text{cpl}^{\rightarrow} = \{a \rightarrow \text{def}(a); b \rightarrow \text{def}(b); c \rightarrow \text{def}(c)\}$
- ▶ $\text{cpl} = \{a \leftrightarrow \text{def}(a); b \leftrightarrow \text{def}(b); c \leftrightarrow \text{def}(c)\}$
- ▶ cpl has two models: \emptyset and $\{a, b\}$

Clark's completion

Connection to supported models

- ▶ A set $M \subseteq At$ is a supported model of a program P if and only if M is a model (in a standard sense) of $cmpl(P)$
- ▶ Connection to SAT
- ▶ Allows us to use SAT solvers to compute supported models of P

Connection to supported models — proof

M — supported model of P : $M = T_P(M)$

- ▶ Let $a \in M \Rightarrow \exists r \in P$ st: $hd(r) = a$ and $M \models bd(r)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow M \models bd^\wedge(r)$, $M \models def(a)$ and $M \models a \leftrightarrow def(a)$
- ▶ Let $a \notin M \Rightarrow \forall r \in P$ st: $hd(r) = a$, $M \not\models bd(r)$
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Stable model semantics

Supported models of interest, but ...

- ▶ Some supported models based on circular arguments
 - ▶ $p \leftarrow p$
 - ▶ $\{p\}$ is supported model (circular argument)
- ▶ Some more stringent bases for selecting intended models needed

Gelfond-Lifschitz reduct

- ▶ P — logic program
- ▶ M — set of atoms
- ▶ **Reduct** P^M
 - ▶ for each $a \in M$ remove rules with *not* a in the body
 - ▶ remove literals *not* a from all other rules

Stable model semantics

Definition through reduct

- ▶ Reduct P^M is a Horn program
- ▶ It has the least model $LM(P^M)$
- ▶ M is a **stable** model of P if

$$M = LM(P^M)$$

Stable model semantics

And now through Gelfond-Lifschitz operator

- ▶ $GL_P(M) = LM(P^M)$
- ▶ M is a stable model if and only if

$$M = GL_P(M)$$

- ▶ GL_P is antimonotone
- ▶ For $M \subseteq N$:

$$GL_P(N) \subseteq GL_P(M)$$

Stable models — examples

Multiple stable models

$p \leftarrow q, \text{not } s$

$r \leftarrow p, \text{not } q, \text{not } s$

$s \leftarrow \text{not } q$

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Stable models — properties

Stable models are models!

- ▶ Let M be a stable model
- ▶ M is a model of all rules that are removed from the program when forming the reduct
- ▶ M is a model of every rule that contributes to the reduct
- ▶ Indeed, each such rule is subsumed by a rule in the reduct and M satisfies all rules in the reduct

Stable models — properties

Stable models are minimal models!

- ▶ Let N be a stable model and M a model s.t. $M \subseteq N$
- ▶ Then

$$N = GL_P(N) \subseteq GL_P(M) \subseteq M$$

- ▶ Thus, $N \subseteq M$ and so $N = M$
- ▶ The minimality of N follows
- ▶ **Stable models form an antichain!**

Stable models — properties

Lemma: If M model of P , $GL_P(M) \subseteq M$

- ▶ Since M model of P , then M is a model of P^M
- ▶ $a \leftarrow b_1, \dots, b_m$ - a rule in reduct
- ▶ $a \leftarrow b_1, \dots, b_m, \text{not } c_1, \dots, \text{not } c_n$ - the original rule in P
- ▶ M satisfies the latter, and it satisfies every $\text{not } c_i$ (as $c_i \notin M$)
- ▶ Thus, M satisfies the reduct rule

Stable models — properties

Connection to supported models

- ▶ If M is a stable model of P then it is a supported model of P
- ▶ Let M be a stable model of P
- ▶ Then M model of P and so, $T_P(M) \subseteq M$
- ▶ $r = a \leftarrow b_1, \dots, b_m, \text{not } c_1, \dots, \text{not } c_n$ - a rule in P such that $M \models bd(r)$
- ▶ Then $r' = a \leftarrow b_1, \dots, b_m$ belongs to the reduct P^M
- ▶ And $M \models bd(r')$
- ▶ Since M is a model of P^M , $a \in M$
- ▶ Hence, $T_P(M) \subseteq M$ and so, $M = T_P(M)$
- ▶ That is, M is supported!!

But ...

- ▶ The converse not true, in general (as it should not be)

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Fages Lemma

Positive dependency graph $G^+(P)$

- ▶ Atoms of P are vertices
- ▶ (a, b) is an edge in $G^+(P)$ if for some $r \in P$: $hd(r) = a$, $b \in bd^+(r)$

Tight programs

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- ▶ Alternatively, if there is a labeling of atoms with non-negative integers ($a \mapsto \lambda(a)$) s.t.
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The statement — finally

- ▶ If P is tight then every supported model is stable
- ▶ Intuitively, circular support not possible

Fages Lemma — example

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Graph $G^+(P)$

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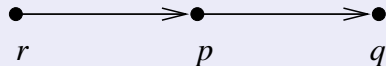
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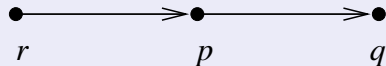
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Fages Lemma

Proof

- ▶ Let P be tight and M be its supported model
- ▶ Then M is a model of P^M
- ▶ Let N be a model of P^M
- ▶ Claim: for every k , if $a \in M$ and $\lambda(a) < k$, then $a \in N$
- ▶ Holds for $k = 0$ (trivially)
- ▶ Let $a \in M$ and $\lambda(a) = k$
- ▶ Since M supported, there is $r \in P$ such that $a = hd(r)$ and $M \models bd(r)$
- ▶ In particular, $bd^+(r) \subseteq M$ and so, $bd^+(r) \subseteq N$ (by I.H.)
- ▶ Since $M \models bd(r)$, M contributes to the reduct
- ▶ Since N is a model of P^M , $a \in N$
- ▶ It follows that $M = LM(P^M)$

Relativized tightness

- ▶ Let $X \subseteq At(P)$
- ▶ P is **tight on X** if the program consisting of rules r such that $bd^+(r) \subseteq X$ is tight

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Generalized Fages Lemma — example

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P is not tight

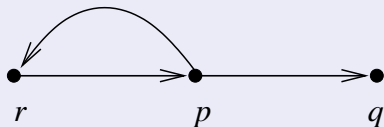
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Graph $G^+(P)$



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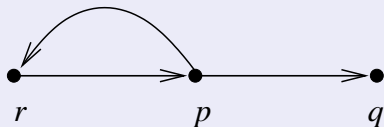
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Definition

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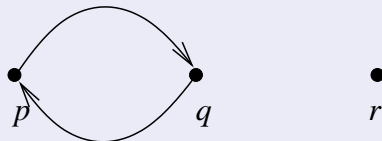
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- ▶ $X \models P \Rightarrow X \models \text{cpl}^{\leftarrow}(P)$
- ▶ Let Y be a loop st: $X \models Y^{\wedge} \Rightarrow X \cap Y \neq \emptyset$
- ▶ Let $a \in Y$ be the “first” element of Y in X
recall that $X = LM(P^X)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \exists r \in P$ st: $a = \text{hd}(r), \text{bd}^+(r) \cap Y = \emptyset$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \text{bd}^{\wedge}(r)$ is a disjunct of $ES_P(Y)$
- ▶ Also: $\text{bd}^+(r) \subseteq X$ and $\text{bd}^-(r) \cap X = \emptyset \Rightarrow X \models \text{bd}^{\wedge}(r)$
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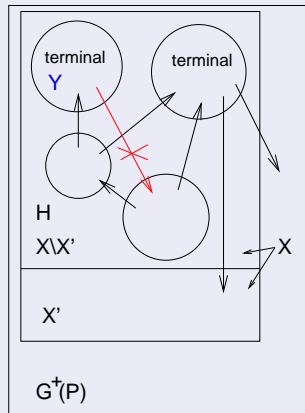
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Proof, cont'd

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- ▶ Since $Y \subseteq X$: $\Rightarrow X \models ES_P(Y)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \exists r \in P$ st: $hd(r) \in Y$, $bd^+(r) \cap Y = \emptyset$, $X \models bd^\wedge(r)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow bd^+(r) \subseteq X$ and $r^X \in P^X$
- ▶ Since Y terminal and $bd^+(r) \cap Y = \emptyset$: $\Rightarrow bd^+(r) \subseteq X'$
 - ▶ if $a \in bd^+(r)$: $a \in X$
 - ▶ $(hd(r), a)$ edge in $G^+(P)$
 - ▶ if $a \in X \setminus X'$: $(hd(r), a)$ edge in H
 - ▶ $\Rightarrow a \in Y$, contradiction
 - ▶ $\Rightarrow a \in X'$
- ▶ Since $X' \models P^X$: $\Rightarrow X' \models r^X$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow hd(r) \in X'$
- ▶ Since $X' \cap Y = \emptyset$: \Rightarrow contradiction

Program inconsistency

Some programs have no stable nor supported models

- ▶ Sufficient conditions for the existence of stable models
- ▶ 4-val supported and stable models

Sufficient conditions

General dependency graph $G(P)$

- ▶ Atoms of P are vertices
- ▶ (a, b) is an edge in P if for some $r \in P$: $hd(r) = a, b \in bd(r)$
- ▶ If $b \in bd^+(r)$ — edge is **positive**
- ▶ If $b \in bd^-(r)$ — edge is **negative**

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- ▶ **Call-consistent:** if $G(P)$ has no odd cycles (cycles with an odd number of negative edges)
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Results

- ▶ If a finite logic program is call-consistent, it has a stable model
- ▶ If a program is stratified it has a unique stable model

Stratification through splitting

Splitting

- ▶ Let P and Q be programs such that P does not contain any of the head atoms of Q
“ Q above P ”
- ▶ A set M is a stable model of $P \cup Q$ iff there is a stable model N of P such that M is a stable model of $Q \cup N$

Splitting Theorem

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Let $M \in \text{StM}(P \cup Q)$

- ▶ $N := M \cap \text{At}(P)$
- ▶ $P^N = P^M$ (as $(M \setminus N) \cap \text{At}(P) = \emptyset$)
- ▶ $M \models P \Rightarrow M \models P^M \Rightarrow M \models P^N$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow N \models P^N$ (as $(M \setminus N) \cap \text{At}(P) = \emptyset$)
- ▶ Let $N' \subseteq N$ be st: $N' \models P^N$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow N' \models P^M \Rightarrow N' \cup (M \setminus N) \models P^M$
- ▶ Let $r \in Q^M$ be st: $N' \cup (M \setminus N) \models \text{bd}(r)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow M \models \text{bd}(r) \Rightarrow M \models \text{hd}(r)$ (as $M \models Q$ and so, $M \models Q^M$)
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \text{hd}(r) \in M \Rightarrow \text{hd}(r) \in M \setminus N \Rightarrow \text{hd}(r) \in N' \cup (M \setminus N)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow N' \cup (M \setminus N) \models Q^M \Rightarrow N' \cup (M \setminus N) \models (P \cup Q)^M$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow N' \cup (M \setminus N) = M \Rightarrow N' = N \Rightarrow N = \text{LM}(P^N)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow N \in \text{StM}(P)$

Splitting Theorem

Next, we show that $M \in \text{StM}(Q \cup N)$

- ▶ Recall: $N = M \cap \text{At}(P) \Rightarrow N \subseteq M$
- ▶ Also: $M \models Q \Rightarrow M \models Q^M \cup N = (Q \cup N)^M$
- ▶ Let $M' \subseteq M$ be st: $M' \models (Q \cup N)^M$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow N \subseteq M' \quad M' \models Q^M$
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- ▶ $\Rightarrow M' \models P^M \Rightarrow M' \models (P \cup Q)^M$
- ▶ Recall: $M = \text{LM}((P \cup Q)^M) \Rightarrow M = M'$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow M = \text{LM}((P \cup Q)^M) \Rightarrow M \in \text{StM}(Q \cup N)$

Splitting Theorem

Conversely: $M \in \text{StM}(Q \cup N)$ and $N \in \text{StM}(P)$

- ▶ $\Rightarrow M \models Q, N \subseteq M, M \subseteq \text{hd}(Q) \cup N$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow M \cap \text{At}(P) = N \Rightarrow M \models P$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow M \models P \cup Q \Rightarrow M \models (P \cup Q)^M$
- ▶ Let $M' \subseteq M$ be st: $M' \models (P \cup Q)^M$
- ▶ $N' := M' \cap \text{At}(P)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow M' \models P^M \Rightarrow N' \models P^M \Rightarrow N' \models P^N$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow N' = N \Rightarrow N \subseteq M' \Rightarrow M' \models Q^M \cup N = (Q \cup N)^M$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow M' = M \Rightarrow M = \text{LM}((Q \cup N)^M) \Rightarrow M \in \text{StM}(P \cup Q)$

Stratification

Equivalent definition in the finite case

- ▶ P stratified if
 - ▶ $hd(P) \cap bd^-(P) = \emptyset$, or
 - ▶ $P = P_1 \cup P_2$, where P_2 stratified, $hd(P_1) \cap (bd^-(P_1) \cup At(P_2)) = \emptyset$

Finite stratified programs have a unique stable model

- ▶ Induction
- ▶ Basis: exident
- ▶ Inductive step: P_2 has a unique stable model, say N
- ▶ Clearly, $P_1 \cup N$ has a unique stable model, too
- ▶ Apply splitting theorem

Equivalence — logics behind nonmonotonic logics

What do I mean?

- ▶ Logic allows us to manipulate theories
- ▶ Tautologies can be added or removed without changing the meaning
- ▶ Consequences of formulas in theories can be added or removed without changing the meaning
 - ▶ $\{p, p \rightarrow q\}$ the same as $\{p, p \rightarrow q, q\}$
 - ▶ one can always be replaced with another (within any larger context)
- ▶ Equivalence for replacement — logical equivalence necessary and sufficient
- ▶ Is there a logic which captures such manipulation with theories in nonmonotonic systems?

Is it important?

Query optimization

- ▶ Compute answers to a query Q (program) from a knowledge base KB (another program)
reason from $Q \cup KB$
- ▶ Rewrite Q into an **equivalent** query Q' , which can be processed more efficiently
reasoning from $Q' \cup KB$ easier
- ▶ When are two queries equivalent?
 - ▶ If $Q \cup KB$ and $Q' \cup KB$ have the same meaning
not quite what we want — knowledge-base dependent
 - ▶ If $Q \cup KB$ and $Q' \cup KB$ have the same meaning for **every** knowledge base KB
better — knowledge-base independent

Towards modular logic programming

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Equivalence for replacement

- ▶ **Equivalence for replacement** — for every program R , programs $P \cup R$ and $Q \cup R$ have the same stable models
- ▶ Commonly known as **strong equivalence**
Lifschitz, Pearce, Valverde 2001; Lin 2002; Turner 2003; Eiter, Fink 2003; Eiter, Fink, Tompits, Woltran, 2005; T_ 2006; Woltran 2008
- ▶ Different than equivalence
 - ▶ $\{p \leftarrow \text{not } q\}$ and $\{q \leftarrow \text{not } p\}$
 - ▶ The same models but different meaning
- ▶ Different than stable-equivalence
 - ▶ $P = \{p\}$ and $Q = \{p \leftarrow \text{not } q\}$
 - ▶ The same stable models; $\{p\}$ is the only stable model in each case
 - ▶ But, $P \cup \{q\}$ and $Q \cup \{q\}$ have different stable models!
($\{p, q\}$ and $\{q\}$, respectively)

When are two programs strongly equivalent?

Se-model characterization

- ▶ A pair (X, Y) of sets of atoms is an *se-model* of a program P if
 - ▶ $X \subseteq Y$
 - ▶ $Y \models P$
 - ▶ $X \models P^Y$
- ▶ $SE(P)$ set of se-models of P
- ▶ Logic programs P and Q are strongly equivalent **iff** they have the same se-models ($SE(P) = SE(Q)$)
 - ▶ A similar concept characterizes strong equivalence of default theories

Turner 2003

When are two programs strongly equivalent?

Lemma 1: $SE(P) = SE(Q) \Rightarrow StM(P) = StM(Q)$

- ▶ $Y \in StM(P) \Rightarrow Y \models P$ and $Y \models P^Y$
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Lemma 2: $SE(P \cup R) = SE(P) \cap SE(R)$

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- ▶ $X \subseteq Y$ and $Y \models P \cup R$ and $X \models (P \cup R)^Y = P^Y \cup R^Y$ iff
- ▶ $X \subseteq Y$ and $(Y \models P$ and $Y \models R)$ and $(X \models P^Y$ and $X \models R^Y)$ iff
- ▶ $(X \subseteq Y, Y \models P, X \models P^Y)$, and
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- ▶ $(X, Y) \in SE(P) \cap SE(R)$

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- ▶ By Lemma 1, $StM(P \cup R) = StM(Q \cup R)$

P and Q are strongly equivalent $\Rightarrow SE(P) = SE(Q)$

- ▶ Let $(X, Y) \in SE(P) \setminus SE(Q)$: $(X, Y) \in SE(P)$ and $(X, Y) \notin SE(Q)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow Y \models P^Y \Rightarrow Y = LM(P^Y \cup Y)$
- ▶ Since $P^Y \cup Y = (P \cup Y)^Y$, $Y = LM((P \cup Y)^Y) \Rightarrow Y \in StM(P \cup Y)$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow Y \in StM(Q \cup Y) \Rightarrow Y \models Q$
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$(X, Y) \in SE(P), (X, Y) \notin SE(Q), Y \models Q, X \not\models Q^Y$

- ▶ Define $R = X \cup \{y \leftarrow y' \mid y, y' \in Y \setminus X\}$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow Y \models Q \cup R$ and $Y \models (Q \cup R)^Y$
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- ▶ $\Rightarrow Y \not\models Q^Y \Rightarrow Y \not\models Q$, a contradiction

An interesting variant

Uniform equivalence

- ▶ Programs P and Q are **uniformly equivalent** if for every set D of facts (rules with empty body) $P \cup D$ and $Q \cup D$ have the same stable models
- ▶ Relevant for DB query optimization
- ▶ Different than other types of equivalence discussed here

When are two programs uniformly equivalent?

Se-model characterization

- ▶ Programs P and Q are uniformly equivalent iff
 - ▶ for every $Y \subseteq At$, Y is a model of P if and only if Y is a model of Q
 - ▶ for every $(X, Y) \in SE(P)$ such that $X \subset Y$, there is $U \subseteq At$ such that $X \subseteq U \subset Y$ and $(U, Y) \in SE(Q)$
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Eiter and Fink, 2003

Formulas

- ▶ Base: atoms and the symbol \perp (“false”)
- ▶ Connectives \wedge , \vee and \rightarrow
- ▶ Shortcuts
 - ▶ $\neg F ::= F \rightarrow \perp$
 - ▶ $\top ::= \perp \rightarrow \perp$
 - ▶ $F \leftrightarrow G ::= (F \rightarrow G) \wedge (G \rightarrow F)$

General logic programs

Positive and negative occurrences of atoms in formulas

- ▶ An occurrence of a in F is **positive**, if the # of implications with this occurrence of a in antecedent is even
- ▶ Otherwise, it is **negative**
- ▶ An occurrence of a in F is **strictly positive** if no implication contains this occurrence of a in the antecedent
 - ▶ $\neg F$ (that is, $F \rightarrow \perp$) has no strictly positive occurrences of any atom.
- ▶ A **head** atom (of a formula) an atom with at least one strictly positive occurrence
- ▶ In $(\neg p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \vee \neg q)$:
 - ▶ the first occurrence of p is negative
 - ▶ the second occurrence of p is strictly positive
 - ▶ both occurrences of q are negative

Stable-model semantics

Reduct of a formula F with respect to a set X of atoms

- ▶ The formula F^X obtained by replacing in F each maximal subformula of F that is not satisfied by X with \perp

Example: $F = (\neg p \rightarrow q) \wedge (\neg q \rightarrow p)$ and $X = \{p\}$

- ▶ $\neg p = p \rightarrow \perp$, and $X \models \neg p \rightarrow q$
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To facilitate computation of the reduct

- ▶ $\perp^X = \perp$
- ▶ For a an atom, if $a \in X$, $a^X = a$; otherwise, $a^X = \perp$
- ▶ If $X \models F \circ G$, $(F \circ G)^X = F^X \circ G^X$; otherwise, $(F \circ G)^X = \perp$ (\circ stands for any of $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow$)
- ▶ If $X \models F$, $(\neg F)^X = \perp$; otherwise,
 $(\neg F)^X = (F \rightarrow \perp)^X = F^X \rightarrow \perp^X = \perp \rightarrow \perp = \top$

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Properties

- ▶ If X is a stable model of a formula F then X consists of head atoms of F
- ▶ A least model of a Horn formula (conjunction of definite Horn clauses given as implications) is a unique stable model of the theory
- ▶ A set X is a stable model of a formula $F \wedge \neg G$ if and only if X is a stable model of F and $X \models \neg G$

Strong equivalence

- ▶ Formulas F and F' are strongly equivalent if for every formula G , $F \wedge G$ and $F' \wedge G$ have the same stable models
- ▶ (X, Y) is an *se-model* of F if $Y \subseteq At$, $X \subseteq Y$, $Y \models F$ and $X \models F^Y$.
- ▶ The following conditions are equivalent:
 - ▶ Formulas F and G are strongly equivalent
 - ▶ For every set X of atoms, F^X and G^X are equivalent in classical logic
 - ▶ F and G have the same se-models
 - ▶ F and G are equivalent in the logic here-and-there (details later)

Splitting

- ▶ Let F and G be formulas such that F does not contain any of the head atoms of G
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Multivalued semantics

2-input one-step operator Φ_P

- ▶ Given two interpretations I and J

$$\Phi_P(I, J) = \{hd(r) : r \in P, bd^+(r) \subseteq I, bd^-(r) \cap J = \emptyset\}$$

- ▶ $\Phi_P(\cdot, J)$ monotone
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- ▶ $\Phi_P(I, I) = T_P(I)$

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- ▶ \mathcal{T}_P monotone wrt \leq_i
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4-val supported models

Recall: $\mathcal{T}_P(I, J) = (\Phi_P(I, J), \Phi_P(J, I))$ and $T_P(I) = \Phi_P(I, I)$

- ▶ (I, J) is a 4-val supported model of P if $(I, J) = \mathcal{T}_P(I, J)$
- ▶ (I, I) is a 4-val supported model **iff** I is a supported model
 - ▶ $(I, I) = \mathcal{T}_P(I, I)$ **iff** $(I, I) = (\Phi_P(I, I), \Phi_P(I, I)) = (T_P(I), T_P(I))$
- ▶ The least 4-val supported model exists!
 - ▶ \mathcal{T}_P is monotone and so has the least (wrt \leq_i) fixpoint
 - ▶ Moreover, it is consistent!
- ▶ **Kripke-Kleene (Fitting) fixpoint or semantics:** $(KK^t(P), KK^p(P))$

- ▶ 4-val Gelfond-Lifschitz operator
- ▶ $\mathcal{GL}_P(I, J) = (GL_P(J), GL(I))$
- ▶ Also monotone wrt \leq_i
- ▶ (I, J) is a 4-val stable model if $\mathcal{GL}_P(I, J) = (I, J)$
- ▶ M is a stable model of P if and only if (M, M) is a 4-val stable model of P
- ▶ The least fixpoint of \mathcal{GL} exists!! (by monotonicity)
- ▶ And is consistent
 - ▶ if $I \subseteq J$ then: $GL_P(J) \subseteq GL(I)$ (antimonotonicity)
- ▶ Well-founded fixpoint (semantics): $(WF^t(P), WF^p(P))$
- ▶ For every stable model M of P

$$WF^t(P) \subseteq M \subseteq WF^p(P)$$

Logic here-and-there

Syntax

- ▶ Connectives: $\perp, \vee, \wedge, \rightarrow$
- ▶ Formulas - standard extension of atoms by means of connectives
- ▶ $\neg\varphi$ - shorthand for $\varphi \rightarrow \perp$
- ▶ $\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi$ - shorthand for $(\varphi \rightarrow \psi) \wedge (\psi \rightarrow \varphi)$
- ▶ Language \mathcal{L}_{ht}

Why important?

- ▶ Disjunctive logic programs — special theories in \mathcal{L}_{ht}
 - ▶ $a_1 | \dots | a_k \leftarrow b_1, \dots, b_m, \text{not } c_1, \dots, \text{not } c_n$
 - ▶ $b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m \wedge \neg c_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \neg c_n \rightarrow c_1 \vee \dots \vee c_n$
- ▶ General logic programs (Ferraris, Lifschitz) = theories in \mathcal{L}_{ht}
 - ▶ answer-set semantics extends to general logic programs
 - ▶ equilibrium models in logic *ht*
 - ▶ the two coincide!

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ht-model, *ht*-validity, *ht*-equivalence

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- ▶ φ is *ht-valid* if for every *ht-model* $\langle H, T \rangle$, $\langle H, T \rangle \models \varphi$
- ▶ φ and ψ are *ht-equivalent* if they have the same *ht*-models
- ▶ φ and ψ are *ht-equivalent* iff $\varphi \leftrightarrow \psi$ is *ht-valid*

Natural deduction — sequents and rules

- ▶ Sequents $\Gamma \Rightarrow \varphi$ — “ φ under the assumptions Γ ”
- ▶ Introduction rules for $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow$

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \varphi \quad \Delta \Rightarrow \psi}{\Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \varphi \wedge \psi}$$

- ▶ Elimination rules for $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow$

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \varphi \quad \Delta \Rightarrow \varphi \rightarrow \psi}{\Gamma, \Delta \Rightarrow \psi}$$

- ▶ Contradiction

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \perp}{\Gamma \Rightarrow \varphi}$$

- ▶ Weakening

$$\frac{\Gamma \Rightarrow \varphi}{\Gamma' \Rightarrow \varphi} \quad \text{for all } \Gamma', \Gamma \text{ s.t. } \Gamma' \subseteq \Gamma$$

Proof theory

Axiom schemas

(AS1) $\varphi \Rightarrow \varphi$

(AS2) $\Rightarrow \varphi \vee \neg\varphi$

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A triumph of universal algebra

Basic lesson for this segment

- ▶ Major nonmonotonic systems
 - ▶ logic programming
 - ▶ default logic
 - ▶ autoepistemic logics

can be given a unified algebraic treatment

- ▶ Each system can be assigned the same family of semantics
- ▶ Key concepts: lattices and bilattices, operators and fixpoints
- ▶ Key ideas: approximating operators and stable operators
- ▶ Key tool: Knaster-Tarski Theorem

Overview of approach

Generalize Fitting's work on logic programming

- ▶ Central role of 4-valued van Emden-Kowalski operator \mathcal{T}_P
- ▶ Derived stable operator, Ψ'_P
- ▶ 2-valued and 3-valued supported models and Kripke-Kleene semantics described by fixpoints of \mathcal{T}_P
- ▶ 2-valued and 3-valued stable models and well-founded semantics described by fixpoints of Ψ'_P

Key definitions, some notation

- ▶ $\langle L, \leq \rangle$
 - ▶ L is a nonempty set
 - ▶ \leq is a partial order such that every two lattice elements have *lub* (join) and *glb* (meet)
- ▶ Elements of L express
 - ▶ degree of truth
 - ▶ measure of knowledge
- ▶ \leq - order of increased truth or knowledge
- ▶ Complete lattices (both bounds defined for all sets)
- ▶ \perp, \top

Lattices - examples

Lattice TWO

- ▶ $\{\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{t}\}$
- ▶ $\mathbf{f} \leq \mathbf{t}$

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That's what it's all about!

- ▶ Truth or knowledge can be revised
- ▶ Revisions are described by operators on lattices
- ▶ Fixpoints — states of truth or knowledge that cannot be revised

Monotone operators

- ▶ An operator O is monotone if $x \leq y$ implies $O(x) \leq O(y)$
- ▶ Knaster-Tarski Theorem: a monotone operator on a complete lattice has a least fixpoint

Antimonotone operators

- ▶ An operator O is antimonotone if $x \leq y$ implies $O(y) \leq O(x)$
- ▶ If O is antimonotone then O^2 is monotone:

$$x \leq y \Rightarrow O(y) \leq O(x) \Rightarrow O^2(x) \leq O^2(y)$$

- ▶ Oscillating pair: (x, y) is an **oscillating pair** for an operator O if $O(x) = y$ and $O^2(x) = x$
- ▶ Antimonotone operator O has an *extreme* oscillating pair

$$(lfp(O^2), gfp(O^2))$$

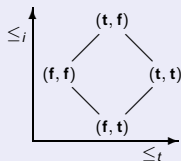
Approximations and bilattices

Key definitions, some notation

- ▶ A pair (x, y) **approximates** an element z if $x \leq z \leq y$
- ▶ Orderings of approximations:
 - ▶ **information** (or **precision**) ordering: $(x_1, y_1) \leq_i (x_2, y_2)$ iff $x_1 \leq x_2$ and $y_2 \leq y_1$
 - ▶ **truth** ordering: $(x_1, y_1) \leq_t (x_2, y_2)$ iff $x_1 \leq x_2$ and $y_1 \leq y_2$
- ▶ Bilattice $\langle L^2, \leq_i, \leq_t \rangle$
- ▶ A pair (x, y) is **consistent** if $x \leq y$, and **inconsistent**, otherwise
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Bilattices - examples

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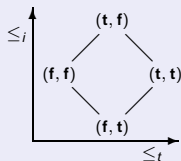


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 - ▶ $A(x, x) = (O(x), O(x))$
 - ▶ A is \leq_i -monotone
 - ▶ A is symmetric: $A^1(x, y) = A^2(y, x)$, where $A(x, y) = (A^1(x, y), A^2(x, y))$

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- ▶ Complete fixpoints of A correspond to fixpoints of O
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Getting down to business!

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- ▶ If $A : L^2 \rightarrow L^2$ is \leq_i -monotone then $A^1(\cdot, y)$ and $A^2(x, \cdot)$ are monotone
- ▶ For \leq_i -monotone operator $A : L^2 \rightarrow L^2$ define:

$$C_A^l(y) = \text{lfp}(A^1(\cdot, y)) \quad \text{and} \quad C_A^u(x) = \text{lfp}(A^2(x, \cdot))$$

- ▶ Since A is symmetric, $C_A^l = C_A^u = C_A$
- ▶ **Stable operator** for A :

$$C_A(x, y) = (C_A(y), C_A(x))$$

- ▶ **Stable fixpoints** (relative to C_A)
- ▶ \leq_i -least fixpoint of C_A — **well-founded (WF)** fixpoint of A

Properties of stable operators

All quite easy to prove, in fact

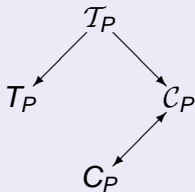
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- ▶ C_A is \leq_j -monotone and \leq_t -antimonotone
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- ▶ Complete fixpoints of C_A correspond to fixpoints of C_A
- ▶ Complete fixpoints of C_A are fixpoints of O
- ▶ K-K fixpoint of $A \leq_j$ WF fixpoint of A

Fitting

- ▶ Lattice \mathcal{A}_2 , bilattice \mathcal{A}_4
- ▶ Operators associated with program P
 - ▶ 2-valued van Emden-Kowalski operator T_P
 - ▶ Its approximation: 4-valued van Emden-Kowalski operator \mathcal{T}_P
 - ▶ 2-valued stable operator (Gelfond-Lifschitz operator GL_P)
 - ▶ Stable operator \mathcal{C}_P of \mathcal{T}_P (operator Ψ'_P of Przymusiński)
- ▶ Semantics
 - ▶ Supported models: fixpoints of the operator \mathcal{T}_P (T_P)
 - ▶ Kripke-Kleene semantics: least fixpoint of \mathcal{T}_P
 - ▶ Stable models: fixpoints of the operator \mathcal{C}_P (C_P)
 - ▶ Well-founded semantics: least fixpoint of \mathcal{C}_P

Logic programming explained

Central role of \mathcal{T}_P



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AE models, expansions

- ▶ Moore's operator $D_T: \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$

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$$D_T(V) = \{I: \mathcal{H}_{V,I}(T) = \mathbf{t}\}$$

- ▶ Fixpoints of D_T — **autoepistemic models** of T
- ▶ Autoepistemic models generate *expansions*

The setting

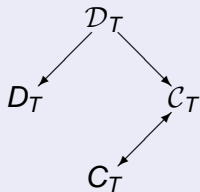
- ▶ Lattice \mathcal{W} , bilattice \mathcal{B}
- ▶ $\mathcal{H}_{(V, V'), I}^4$
- ▶ Approximating operator for D_T — \mathcal{D}_T (DMT 98)

$$\mathcal{D}_T(V, V') = (\{I: \mathcal{H}_{(V, V'), I}^4(T) \geq_t (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{t})\}, \{I: \mathcal{H}_{(V, V'), I}^4(T) \geq_t (\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{f})\})$$

- ▶ Complete fixpoints of \mathcal{D}_T — autoepistemic models of T
- ▶ The least fixpoint of \mathcal{D}_T — Kripke-Kleene fixpoint
 - ▶ approximates all autoepistemic models of T
- ▶ The stable operator for \mathcal{D}_T : $\mathcal{C}_T(V, V') = (\mathcal{C}_T(V'), \mathcal{C}_T(V))$
- ▶ What are the fixpoints of \mathcal{C}_T ?

Autoepistemic logic explained

Central role of \mathcal{D}_T



Default Logic — case study 3

Same setting as for AEL

- ▶ Lattice \mathcal{W} , bilattice \mathcal{B}
- ▶ $\mathcal{H}_{V,I}(\varphi) = I(\varphi)$, for every formula φ
- ▶ $d = \frac{\alpha: \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k}{\gamma}$
- ▶ $\mathcal{H}_{V,I}(d) = \mathbf{t}$ iff
 - ▶ there is $J \in V$ such that $J(\alpha) = \mathbf{f}$, or
 - ▶ there is $i, 1 \leq i \leq k$ such that for every $J \in V, J(\beta_i) = \mathbf{f}$, or
 - ▶ $I(\gamma) = \mathbf{t}$
- ▶ Weak-extension operator E_Δ (Δ — default theory):

$$E_\Delta(V) = \{I \in \mathcal{A}_2: \mathcal{H}_{V,I}(\Delta) = \mathbf{t}\}$$

- ▶ Fixpoints of $E_\Delta(V)$ — default models of weak extensions of Δ

4-valued truth assignment, approximating operator

- ▶ $\mathcal{H}_{(V, V'), I}^4$
- ▶ Approximating operator for $E_\Delta - \mathcal{E}_\Delta$

$$\mathcal{E}_\Delta(V, V') = (\{I: \mathcal{H}_{(V, V'), I}^4(\Delta) \geq_t (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{t})\}, \{I: \mathcal{H}_{(V, V'), I}^4(\Delta) \geq_t (\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{f})\})$$

- ▶ Complete fixpoints of \mathcal{E}_Δ — models of weak extensions of Δ
- ▶ The least fixpoint of \mathcal{E}_Δ — Kripke-Kleene fixpoint
 - ▶ approximates all default models of weak extensions of Δ

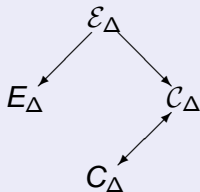
Stable operator

- ▶ The stable operator for \mathcal{E}_Δ :

$$\mathcal{C}_\Delta(V, V') = (\mathcal{C}_\Delta(V'), \mathcal{C}_\Delta(V))$$

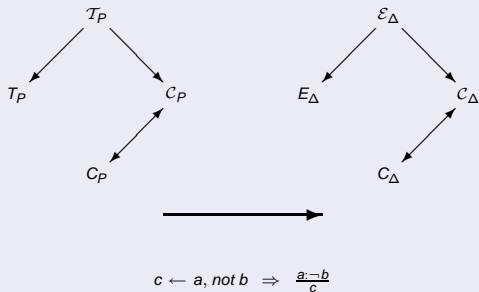
- ▶ \mathcal{C}_Δ — Guerreiro-Casanova operator Σ_Δ
- ▶ Fixpoints of \mathcal{C}_Δ — default models of Reiter's extensions
- ▶ Consistent fixpoints of \mathcal{C}_Δ — stationary extensions by Przymusiński
- ▶ Well-founded fixpoint of \mathcal{E}_Δ (least fixpoint of \mathcal{C}_Δ — well-founded semantics of default logic by Baral and Subrahmanian)

Central role of \mathcal{E}_Δ



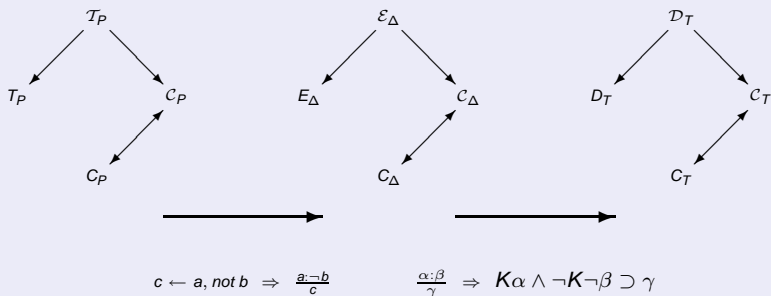
Connections

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Thank you!