## Integrity Constraints

- In the electrical domain, what if we predict that a light should be on, but observe that it isn't?
   What can we conclude?
- We will expand the definite clause language to include integrity constraints which are rules that imply false, where false is an atom that is false in all interpretations.
- This allows proof by contradiction.
- A definite clause knowledge base is always consistent. This
  won't be true with the rules that imply false.

#### Horn clauses

• An integrity constraint is a clause of the form

$$false \leftarrow a_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge a_k$$

where the  $a_i$  are atoms and false is a special atom that is false in all interpretations.

 A Horn clause is either a definite clause or an integrity constraint.



## **Negative Conclusions**

- Negations can follow from a Horn clause KB.
- The negation of  $\alpha$ , written  $\neg \alpha$  is a formula that
  - $\blacktriangleright$  is true in interpretation I if  $\alpha$  is false in I, and
  - ▶ is false in interpretation I if  $\alpha$  is true in I.
- Example:

$$KB = \left\{ egin{array}{l} \textit{false} \leftarrow \textit{a} \land \textit{b}. \\ \textit{a} \leftarrow \textit{c}. \\ \textit{b} \leftarrow \textit{c}. \end{array} 
ight. 
ight.$$

## Disjunctive Conclusions

- Disjunctions can follow from a Horn clause KB.
- The disjunction of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , written  $\alpha \vee \beta$ , is
  - true in interpretation I if  $\alpha$  is true in I or  $\beta$  is true in I (or both are true in I).
  - false in interpretation I if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are both false in I.
- Example:

$$KB = \left\{ egin{array}{l} \textit{false} \leftarrow a \wedge b. \\ a \leftarrow c. \\ b \leftarrow d. \end{array} 
ight\} \qquad KB \models \neg c \vee \neg d.$$

## Questions and Answers in Horn KBs

- An assumable is an atom whose negation you are prepared to accept as part of a (disjunctive) answer.
- A conflict of KB is a set of assumables that, given KB imply false.
- A minimal conflict is a conflict such that no strict subset is also a conflict.



# Conflict Example

Example: If  $\{c, d, e, f, g, h\}$  are the assumables

$$KB = \left\{ egin{array}{l} {\it false} \leftarrow {\it a} \wedge {\it b}. \ {\it a} \leftarrow {\it c}. \ {\it b} \leftarrow {\it d}. \ {\it b} \leftarrow {\it e}. \end{array} 
ight. 
ight.$$

What are some conflicts?

- $\{c,d\}$  is a conflict
- $\{c, e\}$  is a conflict
- $\{c, d, e, h\}$  is a conflict

What are the minimal conflicts?



## Using Conflicts for Diagnosis

- Assume that the user is able to observe whether a light is lit or dark and whether a power outlet is dead or live.
- A light can't be both lit and dark. An outlet can't be both live and dead:

```
false \leftarrow dark\_l_1 \& lit\_l_1.
false \leftarrow dark\_l_2 \& lit\_l_2.
false \leftarrow dead\_p_1 \& live\_p_2.
```

Assume the individual components are working correctly:

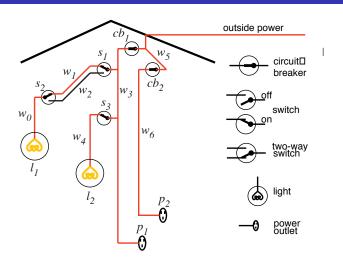
```
assumable ok_{-}l_{1}. assumable ok_{-}s_{2}.
```

...

 Suppose switches s<sub>1</sub>, s<sub>2</sub>, and s<sub>3</sub> are all up: up\_s<sub>1</sub>. up\_s<sub>2</sub>. up\_s<sub>3</sub>.



#### **Electrical Environment**



in aipython.org, run code at the end of logicAssumables.py

## Representing the Electrical Environment

	$lit\_l_1 \leftarrow live\_w_0 \land ok\_l_1$ .
	$live\_w_0 \leftarrow live\_w_1 \wedge up\_s_2 \wedge ok\_s_2.$
	$live\_w_0 \leftarrow live\_w_2 \land down\_s_2 \land ok\_s_2.$
$\mathit{light}_{\_\mathit{l}_1}.$	$live\_w_1 \leftarrow live\_w_3 \wedge up\_s_1 \wedge ok\_s_1.$
$light_{-}l_{2}.$	$live\_w_2 \leftarrow live\_w_3 \wedge down\_s_1 \wedge ok\_s_1.$
$up\_s_1$ .	$lit\_l_2 \leftarrow live\_w_4 \wedge ok\_l_2$ .
$up\_s_2$ .	$live\_w_4 \leftarrow live\_w_3 \wedge up\_s_3 \wedge ok\_s_3.$
up_s <sub>3</sub> .	$live\_p_1 \leftarrow live\_w_3$ .
live_outside.	$live\_w_3 \leftarrow live\_w_5 \land ok\_cb_1.$
	$livep_2 \leftarrow livew_6$ .
	$live\_w_6 \leftarrow live\_w_5 \land ok\_cb_2.$
	$live\_w_5 \leftarrow live\_outside$ .

• If the user has observed  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are both dark:

$$dark_{-}l_{1}$$
.  $dark_{-}l_{2}$ .

• There are two minimal conflicts:

$$\{ok\_cb_1, ok\_s_1, ok\_s_2, ok\_l_1\} \text{ and } \\ \{ok\_cb_1, ok\_s_3, ok\_l_2\}.$$

You can derive:

$$\neg ok\_cb_1 \lor \neg ok\_s_1 \lor \neg ok\_s_2 \lor \neg ok\_l_1$$
  
 $\neg ok\_cb_1 \lor \neg ok\_s_3 \lor \neg ok\_l_2$ .

• Either  $cb_1$  is broken or there is one of six double faults.

## Diagnoses

- A consistency-based diagnosis is a set of assumables that has at least one element in each conflict.
- A minimal diagnosis is a diagnosis such that no subset is also a diagnosis.
- Intuitively, one of the minimal diagnoses must hold. A diagnosis holds if all of its elements are false.
- Example: For the proceeding example there are seven minimal diagnoses: {ok\_cb<sub>1</sub>}, {ok\_s<sub>1</sub>, ok\_s<sub>3</sub>}, {ok\_s<sub>1</sub>, ok\_l<sub>2</sub>}, {ok\_s<sub>2</sub>, ok\_s<sub>3</sub>},...

## Recall: top-down consequence finding

```
To solve the query ?q_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge q_k: ac := "yes \leftarrow q_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge q_k" repeat select atom a_i from the body of ac; choose clause C from KB with a_i as head; replace a_i in the body of ac by the body of ac until ac is an answer.
```

## Implementing conflict finding: top down

- Query is false.
- Don't select an atom that is assumable.
- Stop when all of the atoms in the body of the generalised query are assumable:
  - this is a conflict



#### Example

 $false \leftarrow a.$ 

 $a \leftarrow b \& c$ .

 $b \leftarrow d$ .

 $b \leftarrow e$ .

 $c \leftarrow f$ .

 $c \leftarrow g$ .

 $e \leftarrow h \& w$ .

 $e \leftarrow g$ .

 $w \leftarrow f$ .

assumable d, f, g, h.



## Bottom-up Conflict Finding

- Conclusions are pairs  $\langle a, A \rangle$ , where a is an atom and A is a set of assumables that imply a.
- Initially, conclusion set  $C = \{\langle a, \{a\} \rangle : a \text{ is assumable} \}$ .
- If there is a rule  $h \leftarrow b_1 \land \ldots \land b_m$  such that for each  $b_i$  there is some  $A_i$  such that  $\langle b_i, A_i \rangle \in C$ , then  $\langle h, A_1 \cup \ldots \cup A_m \rangle$  can be added to C.
- If  $\langle a, A_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  are in C, where  $A_1 \subset A_2$ , then  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  can be removed from C.
- If  $\langle false, A_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  are in C, where  $A_1 \subseteq A_2$ , then  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  can be removed from C.



## Bottom-up Conflict Finding Code

```
C:=\{\langle a,\{a\} \rangle: a \text{ is assumable } \}; repeat select clause "h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge b_m" in T such that \langle b_i,A_i \rangle \in C for all i and there is no \langle h,A' \rangle \in C or \langle false,A' \rangle \in C such that A' \subseteq A where A=A_1 \cup \ldots \cup A_m C:=C \cup \{\langle h,A \rangle\} Remove any elements of C that can now be pruned until no more selections are possible
```

## Assumption-based Reasoning

Often we want our agents to make assumptions rather than doing deduction from their knowledge. For example:

- In abduction an agent makes assumptions to explain observations. For example, it hypothesizes what could be wrong with a system to produce the observed symptoms.
- In default reasoning an agent makes assumptions of normality to make predictions. For example, the delivery robot may want to assume Mary is in her office, even if it isn't always true.

## Design and Recognition

Two different tasks use assumption-based reasoning:

- Design The aim is to design an artifact or plan. The designer can select whichever design they like that satisfies the design criteria.
- Recognition The aim is to find out what is true based on observations. If there are a number of possibilities, the recognizer can't select the one they like best. The underlying reality is fixed; the aim is to find out what it is.

Compare: Recognizing a disease with designing a treatment. Designing a meeting time with determining when it is.

## An Assumption-based Framework

The assumption-based framework is defined in terms of two sets of formulae:

- F is a set of closed formula called the facts.
   These are formulae that are given as true in the world.
   Assume F are Horn clauses.
- H is a set of formulae called the possible hypotheses or assumables. Ground instance of the possible hypotheses can be assumed if consistent.

# Making Assumptions

- A scenario of  $\langle F, H \rangle$  is a set D of ground instances of elements of H such that  $F \cup D$  is satisfiable.
- An explanation of g from ⟨F, H⟩ is a scenario that, together with F, implies g.
  D is an explanation of g if F ∪ D |= g and F ∪ D |≠ false.
  A minimal explanation is an explanation such that no strict subset is also an explanation.
- An extension of  $\langle F, H \rangle$  is the set of logical consequences of F and a maximal scenario of  $\langle F, H \rangle$ .

#### Example

$$a \leftarrow b \land c.$$

$$b \leftarrow e.$$

$$b \leftarrow h.$$

$$c \leftarrow g.$$

$$c \leftarrow f.$$

$$d \leftarrow g.$$

$$false \leftarrow e \land d.$$

$$f \leftarrow h \land m.$$
assumable  $e, h, g, m, n.$ 

- Is  $\{e, m, n\}$  a scenario? yes
- Is  $\{e, g, m\}$  a scenario. no
- Is  $\{h, m\}$  an explanation for a. yes
- Is  $\{e, h, m\}$  an explanation for a. yes
- Is  $\{e, g, h, m\}$  an explanation for a. no
- Is  $\{e, h, m, n\}$  a maximal scenario. yes
- Is  $\{h, g, m, n\}$  a maximal scenario. yes n.

## Default Reasoning and Abduction

There are two strategies for using the assumption-based framework:

• Default reasoning Where the truth of *g* is unknown and is to be determined.

An explanation for g corresponds to an argument for g.

 Abduction Where g is given, and we are interested in explaining it. g could be an observation in a recognition task or a design goal in a design task.

Give observations, we typically do abduction, then default reasoning to find consequences.



## Computing Explanations

To find assumables to imply the query  $q_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge q_k$ :

$$\mathit{ac} := "\mathit{yes} \leftarrow q_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge q_k"$$

#### repeat

**select** non-assumable atom  $a_i$  from the body of ac **choose** clause C from KB with  $a_i$  as head replace  $a_i$  in the body of ac by the body of C **until** all atoms in the body of ac are assumable.

To find an explanation of query  $q_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge q_k$ :

- find assumables to imply  $q_1 \wedge \ldots \wedge q_k$
- ensure that no subset of the assumables found implies false

