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- The complete knowledge assumption is sometimes called the closed world assumption.

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Idea: only represent up and use \+ up instead of down

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- When giving information, we don't want to enumerate all of the exceptions, even if we could think of them all.
- In default reasoning, we specify general knowledge and modularly add exceptions. The general knowledge is used for cases we don't know are exceptional.
- Classical logic is monotonic: If g logically follows from A, it also follows from any superset of A.
- Default reasoning is nonmonotonic: When we add that something is exceptional, we can't conclude what we could before.

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See end of logicNegation.py in aipython.org or https://artint.info/3e/resounces/ch05/beach.pl How can we represent

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