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Stochastic Adventures in Inductive Logic

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Notation and Assumptions

- $\overline{x} = 1 - x$.
- **Probabilistic Atomic Choice (PAC):** $\alpha :: a$ defines $a \vee \neg a$ and probabilities $\mathrm{p}(a) = \alpha, \mathrm{p}(\neg a) = \overline{\alpha}$.
- δa denotes $a \vee \neg a$ and $\delta\{\alpha :: a, a \in \mathcal{A}\} = \{\delta a, a \in \mathcal{A}\}$ for a set of atoms $\mathcal{A}$.
- **Closed World Assumption:** $\sim x \models \neg x$.

General Setting

- **Atoms** $\mathcal{A}$, $\overline{\mathcal{A}} = \{\neg a,\ a \in \mathcal{A}\}$,
- **Inputs** $\mathcal{Z}$:

$$\mathcal{Z} = \left\{ z = \alpha \cup \beta,\ \alpha \subseteq \mathcal{A} \wedge \beta \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{A}} \right\}$$

- **Interpretations** or *consistent inputs* $\mathcal{I}$:

$$\mathcal{I} = \left\{ z \in \mathcal{Z},\ \forall a \in \mathcal{A} \ \left| \{a, \neg a\} \cap z \right| \leq 1 \right\}.$$

- *PASP Problem* or **Specification:** $P = C \wedge F \wedge R$ where
  - $C = C_P = \{\alpha_i :: a_i,\ i \in 1 : n \wedge a_i \in \mathcal{A}\}$ *pacs*.
  - $F = F_P$ *facts*.
  - $R = R_P$ *rules*.
  - $\mathcal{A}_P, \mathcal{Z}_P$ and $\mathcal{I}_P$: *atoms*, *inputs* and *interpretations* of P.
- **Stable Models** of P, $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_P$, are the stable models of $\delta P = \delta C + F + R$.

Distribution Semantics

- **Total Choices:** $\Theta = \Theta_C = \Theta_P$ elements are $\theta = \{t_c,\ c \in C\}$ where $c = \alpha :: a$ and t_c is a or $\neg a$.
- **Total Choice Probability:**

$$\mathrm{p}(\theta) = \prod_{a \in \theta} \alpha \prod_{\neg a \in \theta} \overline{\alpha}. \quad (1)$$

This is the *distribution semantic* as set by Sato.

Problem Statement

How to *extend* probability from total choices to stable models, interpretations and inputs?

There's a problem right at extending to stable models.

The Disjunction Case

Disjuntion Example

The specification

$$\begin{aligned} 0.3 &:: a, \\ b \vee c &\leftarrow a. \end{aligned}$$

has three stable models,

$$s_1 = \{\neg a\}, \quad s_2 = \{a, b\}, \quad s_3 = \{a, c\}.$$

- *Any stable model contains exactly one total choice.* ■
- $\mathrm{p}\big(\{\neg a\}\big) = 0.7$ is straightforward.
- But, no *unbiased* choice for $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ in

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{p}\big(\{a, b\}\big) &= 0.3\alpha, \\ \mathrm{p}\big(\{a, c\}\big) &= 0.3\overline{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Lack of Information & Parametrization

- The specification *lacks information* to set $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ in

$$\mathrm{p}\big(\{a, b\}\big) = 0.3\alpha,$$
$$\mathrm{p}\big(\{a, c\}\big) = 0.3\overline{\alpha}.$$

- A *random variable* captures this:

$$\mathrm{p}\big(\{\neg a\} \;\big|\; A = \alpha\big) = 0.7,$$
$$\mathrm{p}\big(\{a, b\} \;\big|\; A = \alpha\big) = 0.3\alpha,$$
$$\mathrm{p}\big(\{a, c\} \;\big|\; A = \alpha\big) = 0.3\overline{\alpha}.$$

- Other uncertainties lead to further parameters:

$$\mathrm{p}(s \mid A_1 = \alpha_1, \ldots, A_n = \alpha_n)\,.$$

Reducing **specification uncertainty**, *e.g.* setting $A = 0.21$, must result from **observations**.

Main Research Question

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\mathrm{p}\big(\{a, c\} \;\big|\; A = \alpha\big) &= 0.3\overline{\alpha}.
\end{aligned}
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Main Research Question

Can *all* specification uncertainties be neatly expressed as that example?

- Follow ASP syntax; for each case, consider the possible uncertainty scenarios.
- The disjunction example illustrates one such step.

Specification, Data & Evaluation

Given some procedure to extend probabilities to stable models, interpretations and inputs, and given:

- P, a specification.
- p, the distribution of inputs from above.
- Z, a dataset of inputs.
- e, the respective empirical distribution.
- D, some probability divergence, *e.g.* Kullback-Leibler.

*For a dataset Z, $D(P) = D(e, p)$ is a **performance** measure of P and can be used, e.g. as fitness, by algorithms searching for **optimal specifications of a dataset**.*

Resolution Path

1. *Parametrize* lack of knowledge *e.g.* α in the disjunction example.
2. This extends probability from total choices to *standard models*.
3. Extend probability from standard models to *interpretations*. **How?** Later.
4. Set $\mathrm{p}(z) = 0$ for $z \in \mathcal{Z} \setminus \mathcal{I}$.

Bounds of Interpretations

- For $x \in \mathcal{I}$:
  - **Lower Models:** $\langle x| = \{s \in \mathcal{S},\ s \subseteq x\}$.
  - **Upper Models:** $|x\rangle = \{s \in \mathcal{S},\ x \subseteq s\}$.
- **Proposition.** Stable models are *minimal* so *one* of the following cases takes place:
  1. $\langle x| = \{x\} = |x\rangle$ and x is a stable model.
  2. $\langle x| \neq \emptyset \wedge |x\rangle = \emptyset$.
  3. $\langle x| = \emptyset \wedge |x\rangle \neq \emptyset$.
  4. $\langle x| = \emptyset = |x\rangle$.

Next we try to formalize the possible configurations of this scenario. Consider the ASP program $P = C \wedge F \wedge R$ with total choices Θ and stable models $\mathcal{S}$. Let $d :: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that $\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}_\theta} d(s) = 1$.

1. For each $z \in \mathcal{Z}$ only one of the following cases takes place
   1. z is inconsistent. Then **define**
   $$w_d(x) = 0. \tag{2}$$
   2. z is an interpretation and $\langle z| = \{z\} = |x\rangle$. Then $z = s$ is a stable model and **define**
   $$w_d(z) = w(s) = d(s)\,\mathrm{p}(\theta_s)\,. \tag{3}$$
   3. z is an interpretation and $\langle z| \neq \emptyset \wedge |x\rangle = \emptyset$. Then **define**
   $$w_d(z) = \sum_{s \in \langle z|} w_d(s)\,. \tag{4}$$
   4. z is an interpretation and $\langle z| = \emptyset \wedge |z\rangle \neq \emptyset$. Then **define**
   $$w_d(z) = \prod_{s \in |z\rangle} w_d(s)\,. \tag{5}$$
   5. z is an interpretation and $\langle z| = \emptyset \wedge |z\rangle = \emptyset$. Then **define**
   $$w_d(z) = 0. \tag{6}$$
2. The last point defines a "weight" function on the inputs that depends not only on the total choices and stable models of a PASP but also on a certain function d that must respect some conditions. To simplify the notation we use the

Consider the program:

$$c_1 = a \vee \neg a,$$
$$c_2 = b \vee c \leftarrow a.$$

This program has two total choices,

$$\theta_1 = \{\neg a\},$$
$$\theta_2 = \{a\}.$$

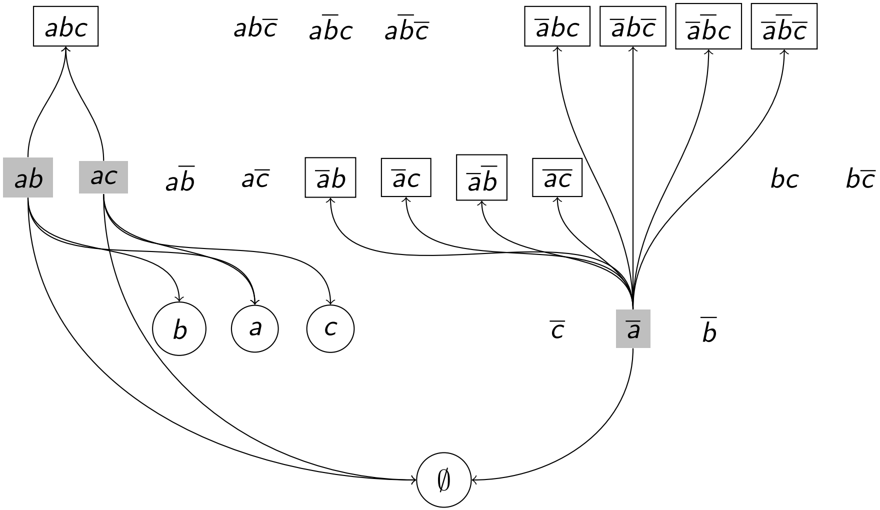
and three stable models,

$$s_1 = \{\neg a\},$$
$$s_2 = \{a, b\},$$
$$s_3 = \{a, c\}.$$

Suppose that we add an annotation $\alpha :: a$, which entails $\overline{\alpha} :: \neg a$. This is enough to get $w(s_1) = \overline{\alpha}$ but, on the absence of further information, no fixed probability can be assigned to either model s_2, s_3 except that the respective sum must be α. So, expressing our lack of knowledge using a parameter $d \in [0, 1]$ we get:

$$\begin{cases} w(s_1) = & \overline{\alpha} \\ w(s_2) = & d\alpha \\ w(s_3) = & \overline{d}\alpha. \end{cases}$$

Now consider all the interpretations for this program:



In this diagram:

- Negations are represented as *e.g.* $\overline{a}$ instead of $\neg a$; Stable models are denoted by shaded nodes as ab.
- Interpretations in $\langle x|$ are *e.g.* a and those in $|x\rangle$ are *e.g.* $\boxed{\overline{a}b}$. The remaining are simply denoted by *e.g.* $a\overline{b}$.
- The edges connect stable models with related interpretations. Up arrow indicate links to $|s\rangle$ and down arrows to $\langle s|$.
- The *weight propagation* sets:

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\begin{aligned}
w(abc) &= w(ab)\,w(ac) = \alpha^2 d\overline{d},\\
w(\overline{a}\cdot\cdot) &= w(\neg a) = \overline{\alpha},\\
w(a) &= w(ab) + w(ac) = \alpha(d + \overline{d}) = \alpha,\\
w(b) &= w(ab) = d\alpha,\\
w(c) &= w(ac) = \overline{d}\alpha,\\
w(\emptyset) &= w(ab) + w(ac) + w(\neg a) = d\alpha + \overline{d}\alpha + \overline{\alpha} = 1,\\
w\left(a\overline{b}\right) &= 0.
\end{aligned}
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- The total weight is

The following LP is non-stratified, because has a cycle with negated arcs:

$$c_1 = a \vee \neg a,$$
$$c_2 = b \leftarrow \sim c \wedge \sim a,$$
$$c_3 = c \leftarrow \sim b.$$

This program has three stable models

$$s_1 = \{a, c\},$$
$$s_2 = \{\neg a, b\},$$
$$s_3 = \{\neg a, c\}.$$

The disjunctive clause $a \vee \neg a$ defines a set of **total choices**

$$\Theta = \left\{\theta_1 = \{a\}, \theta_2 = \{\neg a\}\right\}.$$

Looking into probabilistic interpretations of the program and/or its models, we define $\alpha = \mathrm{p}(\Theta = \theta_1) \in [0, 1]$ and $\mathrm{p}(\Theta = \theta_2) = \overline{\alpha}$. Since s_1 is the only stable model that results from $\Theta = \theta_1$, it is natural to extend $\mathrm{p}(s_1) = \mathrm{p}(\Theta = \theta_1) = \alpha$. However, there is no clear way to assign $\mathrm{p}(s_2), \mathrm{p}(s_3)$ since *both models result from the single total choice* $\Theta = \theta_2$. Clearly,

$$\mathrm{p}\big(s_2 \mid \Theta\big) + \mathrm{p}\big(s_3 \mid \Theta\big) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \Theta = \theta_1 \\ 1 & \text{if } \Theta = \theta_2 \end{cases}$$

but further assumptions are not supported *a priori*. So let's **parameterize** the equation above,

$$\begin{cases} \mathrm{p}\big(s_2 \mid \Theta = \theta_2\big) = & \beta \in [0, 1] \\ \mathrm{p}\big(s_3 \mid \Theta = \theta_2\big) = & \overline{\beta}, \end{cases}$$

in order to explicit our knowledge, or lack of, with numeric values and relations.

Now we are able to define the **joint distribution** of the boolean random variables A, B, C:

A, B, C	P	Obs.
$a, \neg b, c$	α	$s_1, \Theta = \theta_1$
$\neg a, b, \neg c$	$\overline{\alpha}\beta$	$s_2, \Theta = \theta_2$
$\neg a, \neg b, c$	$\overline{\alpha}\overline{\beta}$	$s_3, \Theta = \theta_2$
$*$	0	not stable models

where $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$.

- We can use the basics of probability theory and logic programming to assign explicit *parameterized* probabilities to the (stable) models of a program.
- In the covered cases it was possible to define a (parameterized) *family of joint distributions*.
- How far this approach can cover all the cases on logic programs is (still) an issue *under investigation*.
- However, it is non-restrictive since *no unusual assumptions are made*.

- An **atom** is $r(t_1, \ldots t_n)$ where
  - r is a n-ary predicate symbol and each t_i is a constant or a variable.
  - A **ground atom** has no variables; A **literal** is either an atom a or a negated atom $\neg a$.
- An **ASP Program** is a set of **rules** such as $h_1 \vee \cdots \vee h_m \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge b_n$.
  - The **head** of this rule is $h_1 \vee \cdots \vee h_m$, the **body** is $b_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge b_n$ and each b_i is a **subgoal**.
  - Each h_i is a literal, each subgoal b_j is a literal or a literal preceded by $\sim$ and $m + n > 0$.
  - A **propositional program** has no variables.
  - A **non-disjunctive rule** has $m \leq 1$; A **normal rule** has $m = 1$; A **constraint** has $m = 0$; A **fact** is a normal rule with $n = 0$.
- The **Herbrand base** of a program is the set of ground literals that result from combining all the predicates and constants of the program.
  - An **interpretation** is a consistent subset (*i.e.* doesn't contain $\{a, \neg a\}$) of the Herbrand base.
  - Given an interpretation I, a ground literal a is **true**, $I \models a$, if $a \in I$; otherwise the literal is **false**.
  - A ground subgoal, $\sim b$, where b is a ground literal, is **true**, $I \models \sim b$, if $b \notin I$; otherwise, if $b \in I$, it is **false**.