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

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Consider the sets:

$$S_1 = \{\}$$

 $S_2 = \{p\}$
 $S_3 = \{p,q\}$
 $S_4 = \{p,r,s\}$
 $S_5 = \{p,q,r,s\}$

- i) For each set S_i , state whether or not it is a *model* of Π . If S_i is not a model of Π , provide a rule in Π that is violated by S_i .
- ii) Which of the models in (i) are *supported*? For each model that is unsupported, briefly explain why.
- iii) Which, if any, of the supported models in (ii) are *unfounded*? Briefly justify your answer.
- b i) Provide a *splitting set* for Π that is non-trivial (i.e. it is neither the empty set $\{\}$ nor the set of all atoms $\{p,q,r,s\}$).
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- c Let Π be a ground normal logic program. Let X and Y be sets of ground atoms. Assume $X \subset Y$ and that Y is a stable model of Π . Show that there is a clause γ in Π such that $X \nvDash \gamma$.

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For example, let U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, and S = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\}, \{4, 5\}\}. Here, \{1, 2, 3\} and \{4, 5\} together cover U.
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                                             universe(4)
                                                           universe(5)
universe(1)
                                             set(s_4)
set(s_1)
               set(s_2)
                              set(s_3)
in(1, s_1)
              in(2,s_1)
                              in(3, s_1)
in(2,s_2)
              in(4,s_2)
              in(4, s_3)
in(3, s_3)
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If you remove the exceptions between the rules, what does your program conclude (in terms of *cautious* entailment) about Alice and Bob? How many answer sets are there altogether, if you remove the exceptions between the rules?

The two parts carry equal marks.

3a Suppose the following C+ action signature (σ^f , σ^a):

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$$dom(q) = \{1,2,3\}$$

$$dom(b) = \{1,2,3\}$$

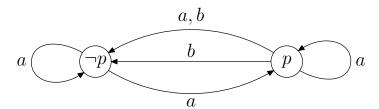
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All constants are Boolean. Write down a C+ action description D which defines the following LTS:



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Two people, Alice and Bob, can each hold or put down either end of a plank. They can also do this to the same end.

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$$\sigma^{f} = \{holds(P)\}$$
 $(P \in P)$
$$\sigma^{a} = \{take(P), release(P)\}$$
 $(P \in P)$
$$dom(c) = E \cup \{f\}$$
 $(c \in \sigma^{f} \cup \sigma^{a})$

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holds(P) = E means P is holding end E (left or right) of the plank; take(P) = E means that P picks up end E of the plank; release(P) = E means that P drops end E of the plank.

Let *D* be the following causal laws:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{inertial } holds(P) & (P \in \mathsf{P}) \\ \textbf{exogenous } f & (f \in \sigma^{\mathsf{a}}) \\ take(P) = E \textbf{ causes } holds(P) = E & (P \in \mathsf{P}; E \in \mathsf{E}) \\ \textbf{nonexecutable } take(P) = E \textbf{ if } holds(P) = E' & (P \in \mathsf{P}; E, E' \in \mathsf{E}, E \neq E') \\ release(P) = E \textbf{ causes } holds(P) = \mathbf{f} & (P \in \mathsf{P}; E \in \mathsf{E}) \\ \textbf{nonexecutable } release(P) = E \textbf{ if } \neg (holds(P) = E) & (P \in \mathsf{P}; E \in \mathsf{E}) \\ \end{array}$$

D formalizes part of the knowledge above.

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Prove that Cn_{pref} is supraclassical.

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$$A \subseteq B \subseteq Cn'(A)$$
 then $Cn'(A) = Cn'(B)$

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if
$$A \subseteq Cn'(B)$$
 and $B \subseteq Cn'(A)$ then $Cn'(A) = Cn'(B)$

Prove that, given Inclusion, then Cn' is Cumulative if and only if it is Reciprocal.

The three parts carry, respectively, 45%, 15%, and 40% of the marks.

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 S_1 is not a model, since it violates $p \leftarrow \text{not } r$. S_2 is not a model, since it violates $q \leftarrow \text{not } r$. S_3 is a model. S_4 is a model. S_5 is a model.

Marks:

ii) Which of the models in (i) are *supported*? For each model that is unsupported, briefly explain why.

 S_3 and S_4 are supported since, for both models, every atom is justified by some rule in Π that is satisfied in the model. S_5 is not supported since atom p lacks support.

Marks:

iii) Which, if any, of the supported models in (ii) are *unfounded*? Briefly justify your answer.

 S_4 is unfounded. Let $U = \{s\}$ in the definition of an unfounded set. Then for each rule with s in the head, either S_4 does not satisfy the body, or s appears in the (positive) body.

Marks:

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 $\{q,r\}$ is a suitable splitting set.

Marks:

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ii) List all the stable models of Π .

The stable models are $\{p,q\}$ and $\{p,r\}$.

Marks:

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Let Π be a ground normal logic program. Let X and Y be sets of ground atoms. Assume $X \subset Y$ and that Y is a stable model of Π . Show that there is a clause γ in Π such that $X \nvDash \gamma$.

Since Y is a stable model of Π , Y is a subset minimal model of Π . Hence, since $X \subset Y$, X is not a model of Π . Therefore, there is some clause γ such that $X \not\models \gamma$.

To show that stable models are subset minimal: assume Y is a stable model of Π , assume $Y' \subseteq Y$ and $Y' \models \Pi$. We must show Y' = Y:

- Since $Y' \subseteq Y$, $\Pi^Y \subseteq \Pi^{Y'}$.
- Since $Y' \models \Pi, Y' \models \Pi^{Y'}$.
- Hence, since $\Pi^Y \subseteq \Pi^{Y'}$, $Y' \models \Pi^Y$.
- Since Y is a stable model of Π , $Y = M(\Pi^Y)$.
- Now, by definition, $M(\Pi^Y)$ is the least model of Π^Y .
- Hence $Y \subseteq Y'$.
- Hence Y = Y'.

Marks:

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The three parts carry, respectively, 40%, 30%, and 30% of the marks.

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2a The *set cover* problem is a classic NP-complete problem. We are given a universe *U* of objects, and a collection *S* of subsets of *U*. The task is to find the smallest number of sets in *S* that together cover all of *U*.

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One line to choose which sets to include:

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\{include(S)\} :- set(S).
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One line to define which elements are covered:

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covered(E) :- include(S), in(E, S).
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One line to constrain solutions to those in which every element in the universe is covered:

Marks:

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ii) Modify your ASP program so that it finds the *smallest number of sets* that together cover *U*.

Add one optimization statement:

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 - Express these defeasible rules, and the exceptions between them, as an extended logic program. Be sure to express the incompatibility between "getting up early" and "getting up late".

$$\neg late(X) \leftarrow early(X).$$

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$$sat(r_1(X)) \leftarrow student(X).$$

$$fires(r_1(X)) \leftarrow sat(r_1(X)), \text{ not } \neg late(X), \text{ not } \neg fires(r_1(X)).$$

$$late(X) \leftarrow fires(r_1(X)).$$

$$sat(r_2(X)) \leftarrow athlete(X).$$

$$fires(r_2(X)) \leftarrow sat(r_2(X)), \text{ not } \neg early(X), \text{ not } \neg fires(r_2(X)).$$

$$early(X) \leftarrow fires(r_2(X)).$$

$$sat(r_3(X)) \leftarrow sick(X).$$

$$fires(r_3(X)) \leftarrow sat(r_3(X)), \text{ not } \neg late(X), \text{ not } \neg fires(r_3(X)).$$

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If you remove the exceptions between the rules, what does your program conclude (in terms of *cautious* entailment) about Alice and Bob? How many answer sets are there altogether, if you remove the exceptions between the rules?

Initially, it concludes that Alice gets up early, and that Bob gets up late. If you remove the exceptions between the rules, the program concludes nothing about Alice or Bob. Without the exceptions between the rules, there are four answer sets.

Marks:

The two parts carry equal marks.

Marks:

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- i) **default** p **after** $p \land (q = 1)$
- ii) $(b=1) \land q$ may cause \top if $\neg p$
- i) This is not a causal law—the **after** would have to be an **if**.
- ii) This is not a causal law, as $(b = 1) \lor q$ is not an action formula—it contains the fluent constant q.

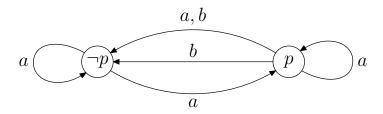
[Marking scheme: two marks per part—one for the ans., one for the reason.]

Marks: $\overline{4}$

b Let (σ^f, σ^a) be the signature:

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inertial pexogenous aexogenous b a may cause p if $\neg p$ b causes $\neg p$ if pnonexecutable $\neg a \land \neg b$ nonexecutable b if $\neg p$

Marks: $\overline{7}$

c Consider the following knowledge, *K*:

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Let (σ^f, σ^a) be the following C+ action signature. (P is $\{alice, bob\}$, and E is $\{left, right\}$.)

$$\begin{split} \sigma^{\mathrm{f}} &= \{ holds(P) \} \\ \sigma^{\mathrm{a}} &= \{ take(P), release(P) \} \\ dom(c) &= \mathsf{E} \cup \{ \mathbf{f} \} \end{split} \qquad \begin{aligned} (P \in \mathsf{P}) \\ (c \in \sigma^{\mathrm{f}} \cup \sigma^{\mathrm{a}}) \end{aligned}$$

Here, for $P \in \mathsf{P}$ and $E \in \mathsf{E}$:

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Let *D* be the following causal laws:

inertial
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exogenous f $(f \in \sigma^a)$
 $take(P) = E$ causes $holds(P) = E$ $(P \in P; E \in E)$
nonexecutable $take(P) = E$ if $holds(P) = E'$ $(P \in P; E, E' \in E, E \neq E')$
 $release(P) = E$ causes $holds(P) = E$ $(P \in P; E \in E)$
nonexecutable $release(P) = E$ if $\neg(holds(P) = E)$ $(P \in P; E \in E)$

D formalizes part of the knowledge above.

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i) Suppose the following is learned about the domain:

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Specify additions to (σ^f, σ^a) and D which formalize the new knowledge.

ii) Add further additions, supplementing those of (i), to formalize the following:

The wind can blow the cup off the plank.

i) One way: add a single Boolean fluent constant cup_on to σ^f , and an action constant putcup with $dom(putcup) = P \cup \{f\}$. The laws:

inertial cup_on exogenous putcup putcup = P causes cup_on $(P \in P)$ caused $\neg cup_on$ if $holds(P) = E \land \neg (holds(P') = E')$ $(P, P \in P, P \neq P; E, E' \in E, E \neq E')$ nonexecutable putcup = P if cup_on $(P \in P)$

ii) Add a further, Boolean action constant blow_off, and the laws:

exogenous blow_off blow_off **causes** ¬cup_on **if** cup_on **nonexecutable** blow_off **if** ¬cup_on

[Marking scheme: six marks for the first part; three for the second.]

Marks: $\overline{9}$

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4a Assume Cn is a classical consequence operator; let K be a set of propositional formulas, containing background knowledge. Define Cn_K as follows (where A is any set of propositional formulas):

$$\operatorname{Cn}_K(A) =_{\operatorname{df}} \operatorname{Cn}(A \cup K)$$

Prove that Cn_K satisfies Monotony and Closure.

There are many ways to do this. Here's one.

To be classical Cn must satisfy:

Inclusion $A \subseteq Cn(A)$

Closure $Cn(Cn(A)) \subseteq Cn(A)$

Monotony if $A \subseteq B$ then $Cn(A) \subseteq Cn(B)$

For Monotony:

We have to show that if $A \subseteq B$, then $Cn_K(A) \subseteq Cn_K(B)$. Clearly, if $A \subseteq B$ then $(A \cup K) \subseteq (B \cup K)$ (by basic set theory). Since Cn is classical it satisfies Monotony, so if $(A \cup K) \subseteq (B \cup K)$, then $Cn(A \cup K) \subseteq Cn(B \cup K)$. By transitivity of \subseteq , then: if $A \subseteq B$, then $Cn(A \cup K) \subseteq Cn(B \cup K)$. The latter is just $Cn_K(A) \subseteq Cn_K(B)$, so we are done.

For Closure:

We need to show $Cn_K(Cn_K(A)) \subseteq Cn_K(A)$. This, by definition of Cn_K , is $Cn(Cn_K(A) \cup K) \subseteq Cn(A \cup K)$, which again by definition of Cn_K , is (a) $Cn(Cn(A \cup K) \cup K) \subseteq Cn(A \cup K)$. Now, $(A \cup K) \subseteq Cn(A \cup K)$ by Inclusion of Cn; and since $K \subseteq (A \cup K)$ then by transitivity of \subseteq we have $K \subseteq Cn(A \cup K)$. Thus $Cn(A \cup K) \cup K = Cn(A \cup K)$. Substituting in (a), we get that we have to show $Cn(Cn(A \cup K)) \subseteq Cn(A \cup K)$. This is immediate from Cn's satisfying Closure (it's classical).

[Marking scheme: four points for Monotony; five points for the proof of Closure.]

Marks: $\overline{9}$

b Let models(A) be the set of all interpretations in which every member of A is true. Note that $\alpha \in Th(A)$ iff $models(A) \subseteq models(\{\alpha\})$.

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Prove that Cn_{pref} is supraclassical.

We have to show $Th(A) \subseteq Cn_{pref}(A)$. So assume $\alpha \in Th(A)$. This means that $models(A) \subseteq models(\{\alpha\})$. But then, since $models_{pref}(A) \subseteq models(A)$, we have $models_{pref}(A) \subseteq models(\{\alpha\})$, i.e., $\alpha \in Cn_{pref}(A)$, as desired.

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[Marking scheme: points off for fallings-away from a correct proof.]

Marks: $\overline{3}$

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if
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 and $B \subseteq Cn'(A)$ then $Cn'(A) = Cn'(B)$

Prove that, given Inclusion, then Cn' is Cumulative if and only if it is Reciprocal.

To show Reciprocal, note that if $A \subseteq Cn'(B)$ then $B \subseteq Cn'(B)$ (from Inclusion) gives us $B \subseteq (A \cup B) \subseteq Cn'(B)$. Similarly, if $B \subseteq Cn'(A)$ then by Inclusion we get $A \subseteq (A \cup B) \subseteq Cn'(A)$. Apply Cumulative to each of these, to get $Cn'(B) = Cn'(A \cup B)$ and $Cn'(A) = Cn'(A \cup B)$, respectively. So Cn'(A) = Cn'(B).

To show Inclusion, suppose $A \subseteq B \subseteq Cn'(A)$. Then $B \subseteq Cn'(A)$, trivially. Similarly, $A \subseteq B \subseteq Cn'(B)$ using inclusion, so $A \subseteq Cn'(B)$. So Cn'(A) = Cn'(B) by Reciprocal.

[Marking scheme: Four marks for each direction.]

Marks: $\overline{8}$

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