#### **Elements of Weighted ASP**

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Why weighted answer-set programs?

To **combine** logic and statistics.

What WASPs do?

**Propagate** weights from atoms to events.

How is propagation done?

**Relating** atoms, stable models and events.

What are the results?

Illustrate & prototype weight propagation.

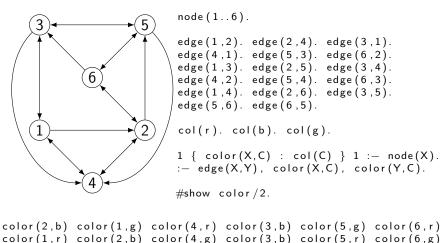
## Combine logic and statistics

- State of the art of Probabilistic Logic Programming.
- Current limitations.
- Proposed framework.

We view logic programs as representation of knowledge.

- Models of such programs represent possibilities.
- Often our knowledge is **probabilistic**.

## An Example of Logic Programming



#### State of the art of PLP

#### Syntax extension

• Probalilistic fact: a:p.

A **total choice** is a subset of  $a_i$  from the probabilistic facts  $\{a_1: p_1, \ldots, a_n: p_n\}$ .

#### **Distribution semantics**

$$P(T) = \prod_{a_i \in T} p_i \times \prod_{a_i \notin T} (1 - p_i)$$

A PLP where the probabilistic facts are replaced by a total choice is a standard logic program.

#### Probabilistic logic systems

- LP<sup>MLN</sup> is the most general framework for PLP.
- Problog, P-log are other relevant PLP systems.

#### **Current limitations**

#### **Burning questions:**

- How to assign probability to the models of a program?
- How to deal with a-posteriori data?

#### **Currently:**

- Probability results from the syntax of a program.
- A-priori assumptions must be made for the models of such programs.

#### Insted, we propose to:

- 1 Use parameters to avoid a-priori assumptions.
- 2 Use **observations** to estimate those parameters.

## **Proposed framework**

	Representation	Example	
System	WASP	$\begin{cases} a: 0.3, \\ b \lor c \leftarrow a \end{cases}$	
State Observation	Stable model Boolean Variables	$ \begin{array}{c} ab \\ \sim a, b, \neg c \end{array} $	

- Systems are represented by weighted ASPs.
- **States** of the system are the **stable models** of the ASP.
- Observations (events) result from boolean variables.
- But sensors may induce stochastic perturbations.

## **Propagate** weights from atoms to events

- From total choices to stable models.
- From stable models to events.
- Probabilities.

#### From total choices to stable models

One total choice can entail many stable models.

$$\begin{cases} a: 0.3, \\ b \lor c \leftarrow a \end{cases}$$

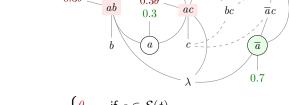
$$\mathcal{T} = a, \overline{a}$$

$$\Downarrow \text{ derive}$$

$$\begin{cases} a \lor \neg a, \\ b \lor c \leftarrow a \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \overline{a}, ab, ac$$

Parameters  $\theta_{s,t}$  represent lack of knowledge...



$$\omega_{\mathcal{S}}(s,t) := \begin{cases} \theta_{s,t} & \text{if } s \in \mathcal{S}(t) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \dots \text{ to be } \mathbf{estimated}$$
 s.t. 
$$\sum_{\mathbf{r} \in \mathcal{S}(t)} \theta_{s,t} = 1 \qquad \text{from } \mathbf{data}.$$

#### From stable models to events

Observations (events) reduce uncertainty.

$$\begin{cases} a: 0.3, & \overline{ab} & \overline{abc} & \overline{bac} \\ b \lor c \leftarrow a & 0.3\overline{\theta} & \overline{ac} & \overline{bc} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{T} = a, \overline{a}$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \overline{a}, ab, ac$$

$$0.3\overline{\theta} & \overline{ac} & \overline{ac} & \overline{ac} \\ 0.3\overline{\theta} & \overline{ac} & \overline{ac} & \overline{ac} \\ 0.7\overline{\theta} & \overline{ac} & \overline{ac}$$

**Equivalence classes** for events are based on  $\subseteq$ ,  $\supseteq$  relations with the **stable models**.

#### **Probabilities**

Probabilities result from **normalization** of  $\omega_{\mathcal{E}}$ .

$$Z := \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}} \omega_{\mathcal{E}}(e)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} e \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} \bot & \lozenge & \overline{a} & ab & ac & \overline{a}, ab & \overline{a}, ac & ab, ac & \Lambda \\ P_{\mathcal{E}}(e) & 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{207} & \frac{1}{23} \theta & \frac{1}{23} \overline{\theta} & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{46} & \frac{10}{23} \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

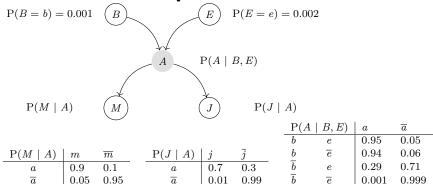
The  $\theta$  can now be **estimated** from a dataset D of events by

$$\hat{\theta} := \arg_{\theta} \min \left\{ \sum_{e \in D} \left| P_{\mathcal{E}}(e \mid \theta) - P_{D}(e) \right| \right\}$$

# Illustrate & prototype weight propagation

- A theoretical example.
- Prototype results and current state.
- Present & future development.

## A theoretical example



$$\begin{cases} b:0.001, & e:0.002,\\ a:0.95 \leftarrow b \wedge e, & a:0.94 \leftarrow b \wedge \overline{e},\\ a:0.29 \leftarrow \overline{b} \wedge e, & a:0.001 \leftarrow \overline{b} \wedge \overline{e}\\ m:0.9 \leftarrow a, & m:0.05 \leftarrow \overline{a},\\ j:0.7 \leftarrow a, & j:0.01 \leftarrow \overline{a}, \end{cases}$$

## Prototype results and current state

**Pain points:** Computation of  $\#[e]_{\sim}$  and Z.

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OBSERVATIONS

<-a> p_D: 0.3230
<a, c> p_D: 0.1630
<a, b> p_D: 0.5140

OPTIMIZATION Terminated(SolverConverged)
epsilon: 0.0100; Domain penalty: 100.0000
theta: [0.6330, 0.3569, 1.0031]
COSTS Target: 0.2690; Domain: 0.0000; Total: 0.2696

MODELS

<a, c> w_E: 0.3976 p_E: 0.0264 p_D: 0.1630
<-a> w_E: 0.3010 p_E: 0.0200 p_D: 0.3230
<a, b> w_E: 0.5264 p_E: 0.0349 p_D: 0.5140
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Output from a generalization (next slide).

## Present & future development

**Generalize**  $\llbracket e \rrbracket$  to f(e,s) so that

$$w_{\mathcal{E}}(e) = \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}(t)} f(e, s) \theta_{s, t} \omega_{\mathcal{T}}(t)$$

which resembles Bayes' Rule:

$$\mathbf{P}(E = e) = \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}(t)} \underbrace{\mathbf{P}(E = e \mid S = s)}_{\text{sensor model}} \underbrace{\mathbf{P}(S = s \mid T = t) \, \mathbf{P}(T = t)}_{\text{system model}}$$

Compute the most probable state given an observation:
 P(S = s | E = e).

- Score a WASP with

$$\sum_{e \in D} | P_{\mathcal{E}}(e \mid \theta) - P_D(e) |.$$

Many steps are paralelizable.

## Thank You!

Questions?

## **Assumptions of Machine Learning**

 Each instance is described in a single row by a fixed set of features

Instances are independent of one another, given the model

$$y = f_{\theta}(\vec{x}).$$

• Parameters minimize estimation error e.g.

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg\min_{\theta} \sum_{i} ||y_i - f_{\theta}(\vec{x_i})||.$$

student	course	grade	Infer $X \succ_g Y$ .
$\overline{s_1}$	$c_1$	a	"Proof."
$s_2$	$c_1$	c	1 1001.
$s_1$	$c_2$	b	$s_1 \succ_s s_2 \text{ (rows 1 \& 2)}$
$s_2$	$c_3$	b	so $c_2 \succ_c c_3$ (3 & 4).
$s_3$	$c_2$	<i>b</i>	2 0 0 ( )
$S_4$	$c_3$	b	Then $s_3 \succ_s s_4 (5 \& 6)$
$s_3$	$c_4$	X	therefore $X \succ_g Y  \Box$ .
$s_4$	$c_4$	Y	

- Instances are **not independent**.
- Small dataset, so **no statistics**.

## **Failing Assumptions**

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Prompt: Given f(machine) = e, f(learning) = g and
f(algorithm) = m, what is the value of f(ksadbf)?

input	output
machine	e
learning	g
algorithm	m
ksadbf	?

**Gemini:** I cannot determine the value of f(program) with the given information...

**ChatGPT:** The information provided seems to define a function f where certain inputs are associated with specific outputs. Based on the given information:

- $f(\mathtt{machine}) = e$
- $\bullet \ \ f(\texttt{learning}) = g$
- f(algorithm) = m

However, there is no information given about  $f(\operatorname{ksadbf})$ . Without additional information or a specific rule that determines the output for  $f(\operatorname{ksadbf})$ , it is not possible to determine its value. If there is a pattern or rule for how the outputs are assigned based on the inputs, you would need to provide that information for me to help determine the value of  $f(\operatorname{ksadbf})$ .

No help from state-of-the-art Natural Language Processing or LLMs.

## Where Machine Learning Fails

- No *interpretability*: large models ( $\dim \theta \sim$  millions) are **not understandable by humans**.
- Need for large number of training examples.
- Unfit for multiple relations, intersample dependencies and variable features: The Students, Courses and Results and Last Letter examples.
- Poor generalization: A model trained in the iris dataset is useless in any other domain.
- No use of background knowledge.

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