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4.1 The problem (repetition)



many reasoning processes in the sciences (and elsewhere) display

an external dynamics

non-monotonic

an internal dynamics

revise conclusions as insights in premises grow

⇒ gain technically sound control on the internal dynamics



examples

interpret as consistently as possible a theory that turned out inconsistent

inductive generalization

inductive prediction

compatibility

interpreting a person's position during an ongoing discussion

finding a (potential or actual) explanation





no positive test for $\Gamma \vdash A$

\vdash   reasoning

adaptive logic

internal dynamics

\downarrow explicate

dynamic proof theory of a.l.

What is an adaptive logic?

What is a dynamic proof theory?

4.2 Characterization of an adaptive Logic

(only the best studied kind)

- *lower limit logic*
monotonic and compact logic
- *set of abnormalities Ω* :
characterized by a (possibly restricted) logical form
- *strategy*:
Reliability, Minimal Abnormality, . . .



idea: for each abnormality (separately):

consider it as false, unless this is impossible in view of the premises

example: $\sim p, p \vee r, \sim q, q \vee s, p$

strategy required because idea is ambiguous (see below)

upper limit logic **ULL**:

LLL + axiom warranting that members of Ω are logically false



the characterization provides **AL** with:



- a semantics
- a dynamic proof theory
- soundness and completeness proofs
- proofs of many other properties (Strong Reassurance, Proof Invariance, **ULL**-consequences for normal premise sets, ...)

AL interprets the premises as ‘normally as possible’
(no positive test!)



Whence the need for a strategy?



definitions:

Dab-formula $Dab(\Delta)$: disjunction of finite $\Delta \subset \Omega$

$Dab(\Delta)$ is a minimal *Dab*-consequence of Γ :

$\Gamma \vdash_{LLL} Dab(\Delta)$ and, for all $\Delta' \subset \Delta$, $\Gamma \not\vdash_{LLL} Dab(\Delta')$

Interpreting Γ as normally as possible

Simple strategy: take $A \in \Omega$ to be false, unless $\Gamma \vdash_{LLL} A$

The Simple strategy is inadequate if

$Dab(\Delta)$ is a minimal *Dab*-consequence of Γ and Δ is not a singleton.

- Reliability strategy: consider all members of Δ as unreliable.
- Minimal Abnormality strategy (see below)
- ...



Adaptive logics: example 1: ACLuN^r

- *lower limit logic*: $\text{CLuN} \quad (\text{CL}^+ + \mathbf{A} \vee \sim \mathbf{A} + \neg)$
- *set of abnormalities*: $\Omega = \{\exists(A \wedge \sim A) \mid A \in \mathcal{F}^o\}$
abnormality = occurrence of (existentially closed) contradiction
- *strategy*: Reliability

upper limit logic: $\text{CL} = \text{CLuN} + (\mathbf{A} \wedge \sim \mathbf{A}) \supset \mathbf{B}$

semantically: the CLuN -models that verify no inconsistency



Adaptive logics: example 2: **IL**

- *lower limit logic*: **CL**
- *set of abnormalities*: $\Omega = \{\exists A \wedge \exists \sim A \mid A \in \mathcal{F}^\circ\}$
abnormality = the absence of uniformity
- *strategy*: Reliability

upper limit logic: **UCL** = **CL** + $\exists A \supset \forall A$

semantically: the models in which, for all predicates π of rank r ,
 $v(\pi) \in \{\emptyset, D^r\}$

4.3 Annotated dynamic proofs: Reliability

(rules of inference + marking definition)

a *line* consists of

- a line number
- a formula
- a justification (line numbers + rule)
- a condition (finite subset of Ω)

for all adaptive logics of the described kind:

A is derivable on the condition Δ (in the dynamic proof)

iff

$A \vee Dab(\Delta)$ is derivable (on the condition \emptyset) (in the dynamic proof)

iff

$\Gamma \vdash_{LLL} A \vee Dab(\Delta)$



Rules of inference (depend on **LLL** and Ω *not* on the strategy)



PREM If $A \in \Gamma$:

$$\frac{\dots \quad \dots}{A \quad \emptyset}$$

RU If $A_1, \dots, A_n \vdash_{\text{LLL}} B$:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} A_1 \quad \Delta_1 \\ \dots \quad \dots \\ A_n \quad \Delta_n \end{array}}{B \quad \Delta_1 \cup \dots \cup \Delta_n}$$

RC If $A_1, \dots, A_n \vdash_{\text{LLL}} B \vee Dab(\Theta)$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} A_1 \quad \Delta_1 \\ \dots \quad \dots \\ A_n \quad \Delta_n \end{array}}{B \quad \Delta_1 \cup \dots \cup \Delta_n \cup \Theta}$$



Marking Definition for Reliability



where $Dab(\Delta_1), \dots, Dab(\Delta_n)$ are the minimal Dab -formulas derived on the condition \emptyset at stage s , $U_s(\Gamma) = \Delta_1 \cup \dots \cup \Delta_n$

Definition

where Δ is the condition of line i , line i is marked (at stage s) iff $\Delta \cap U_s(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset$

\Rightarrow idea for consequence set applied to stage of proof

Marking Definition for Minimal Abnormality: later



Derivability at a stage vs. final derivability



idea: A derived in line i and the proof is **stable** with respect to i

stability concerns a specific consequence and a specific line !

Definition

A is *finally derived* from Γ on line i of a proof at stage s iff

- (i) A is the second element of line i ,
- (ii) line i is not marked at stage s , and
- (iii) any extension of the proof may be further extended in such a way that line i is unmarked.

Definition

$\Gamma \vdash_{\text{AL}} A$ (A is *finally AL-derivable* from Γ) iff A is finally derived in a line of a proof from Γ .

Even at the predicative level, there are **criteria** for final derivability.





LLL invalidates certain rules of **ULL**

AL invalidates certain applications of rules of **ULL**

ULL extends **LLL** by validating some further rules

AL extends **LLL** by validating some applications of some further rules



example

adaptive logic: **IL**

- *lower limit logic*: **CL**
- *set of abnormalities*: $\Omega = \{\exists A \wedge \exists \sim A \mid A \in \mathcal{F}^\circ\}$
- *strategy*: Reliability

$$\Gamma = \{(Pa \wedge \sim Qa) \wedge \sim Ra, \sim Pb \wedge (Qb \wedge Rb), Pc \wedge Rc, Qd \wedge \sim Pe\}$$





1	$(Pa \wedge \sim Qa) \wedge \sim Ra$	PREM	\emptyset
2	$\sim Pb \wedge (Qb \wedge Rb)$	PREM	\emptyset
3	$Pc \wedge Rc$	PREM	\emptyset
4	$Qd \wedge \sim Pe$	PREM	\emptyset
5	$(\forall x)(Qx \supset Rx)$	2; RC	$\{Qx \supset Rx\}$
6	Rd	4, 5; RU	$\{Qx \supset Rx\}$
7	$(\forall x)(\sim Px \supset Qx)$	2; RC	$\{\sim Px \supset Qx\}$
8	Qe	4, 7; RU	$\{\sim Px \supset Qx\}$

number of data of each form immaterial

\Rightarrow same generalizations derivable from $\{Pa\}$ and from $\{Pa, Pb\}$





1	$(Pa \wedge \sim Qa) \wedge \sim Ra$	PREM	\emptyset
2	$\sim Pb \wedge (Qb \wedge Rb)$	PREM	\emptyset
3	$Pc \wedge Rc$	PREM	\emptyset
4	$Qd \wedge \sim Pe$	PREM	\emptyset
...			
9 ^{L10}	$(\forall x)(Px \supset \sim Rx)$	1; RC	$\{Px \supset \sim Rx\}$
10	$Dab(Px \supset \sim Rx)$	1, 3; RU	\emptyset





1	$(Pa \wedge \sim Qa) \wedge \sim Ra$	PREM	\emptyset
2	$\sim Pb \wedge (Qb \wedge Rb)$	PREM	\emptyset
3	$Pc \wedge Rc$	PREM	\emptyset
4	$Qd \wedge \sim Pe$	PREM	\emptyset
...			
11 ^{L17}	$(\forall x)(Px \supset \sim Qx)$	1; RC	$\{Px \supset \sim Qx\}$
12 ^{L17}	$\sim Qc$	3, 11; RU	$\{Px \supset \sim Qx\}$
13 ^{L17}	$(\forall x)(Rx \supset Qx)$	2; RC	$\{Rx \supset Qx\}$
14 ^{L17}	Qc	3, 13; RU	$\{Rx \supset Qx\}$
15	$(\exists x)\sim(Px \supset \sim Qx) \vee (\exists x)\sim(Rx \supset Qx)$	3; RU	\emptyset
16	$(\exists x)(Px \supset \sim Qx) \wedge (\exists x)(Rx \supset Qx)$	1, 2; RU	\emptyset
17	$Dab\{Px \supset \sim Qx, Rx \supset Qx\}$	15, 16; RU	\emptyset





1	$(Pa \wedge \sim Qa) \wedge \sim Ra$	PREM	\emptyset
2	$\sim Pb \wedge (Qb \wedge Rb)$	PREM	\emptyset
3	$Pc \wedge Rc$	PREM	\emptyset
4	$Qd \wedge \sim Pe$	PREM	\emptyset
...			
18 ^{L22}	$(\forall x)(Px \supset Sx)$	4; RC	$\{Px \supset Sx\}$
19 ^{L22}	Sa	1, 18; RU	$\{Px \supset Sx\}$
20	$(\exists x)\sim(Px \supset Sx) \vee (\exists x)\sim(Px \supset \sim Sx)$	3; RU	\emptyset
21	$(\exists x)(Px \supset Sx) \wedge (\exists x)(Px \supset \sim Sx)$	4; RU	\emptyset
22	$Dab\{Px \supset Sx, Px \supset \sim Sx\}$	20, 21; RU	\emptyset



Some theoretical stuff



a **stage** (of a proof) is a sequence of lines

a **proof** is a chain of (1 or more) stages

a subsequent stage is obtained by adding a line to the stage

the marking definition determines which lines of the stage are marked
(marks may come and go with the stage)

an **extension** of a proof P is a proof P' that has P as its initial fragment

Definition (repetition)

A is *finally derived* from Γ on line i of a proof at stage s iff

- (i) A is the second element of line i ,
- (ii) line i is not marked at stage s , and
- (iii) any extension of the proof may be further extended in such a way that line i is unmarked.





for some logics (esp. Minimal Abnormality strategy), premise sets and conclusions, stability (final derivability) is reached only after infinitely many stages

if a stage has infinitely many lines, the next stage is reached by **inserting** a line (variant)

pace Leon Horsten (transfinite proofs)



Game theoretic approaches to final derivability

example:

proponent provides proof P in which A is derived in an unmarked line i

A is finally derived (in that line)

iff

any extension (by the opponent) of P into a P' in which i is marked

can be extended (by the proponent) into a P'' in which i is unmarked

the proponent has an 'answer' to any 'attack'

4.4 Semantics



$Dab(\Delta)$ is a minimal Dab -consequence of Γ :

$\Gamma \vDash_{\text{LLL}} Dab(\Delta)$ and, for all $\Delta' \subset \Delta$, $\Gamma \not\vDash_{\text{LLL}} Dab(\Delta')$

where M is a LLL-model: $Ab(M) = \{A \in \Omega \mid M \vDash A\}$

Reliability

where $Dab(\Delta_1), Dab(\Delta_2), \dots$ are the minimal Dab -consequences of Γ ,
 $U(\Gamma) = \Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2 \cup \dots$

a LLL-model M of Γ is **reliable** iff $Ab(M) \subseteq U(\Gamma)$

$\Gamma \vDash_{\text{AL}} A$ iff all reliable models of Γ verify A



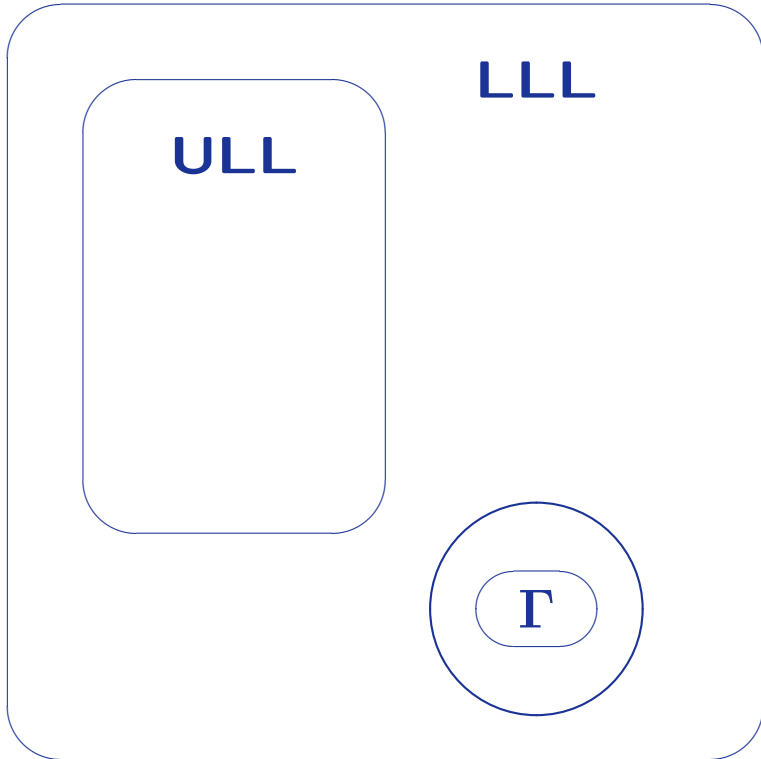
Minimal Abnormality



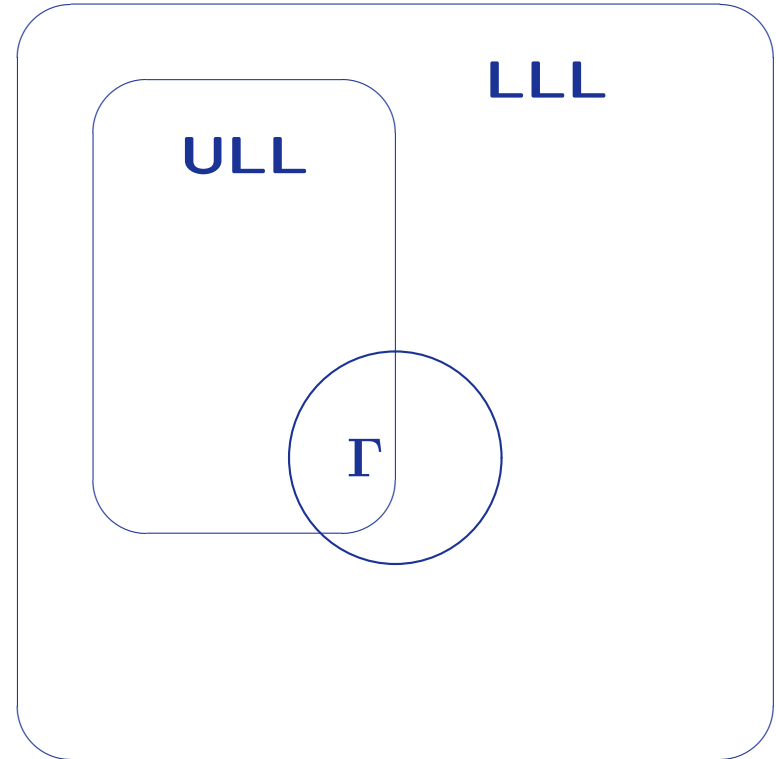
a **LLL**-model M of Γ is **minimally abnormal** iff there is no **LLL**-model M' for which $Ab(M') \subset Ab(M)$

$\Gamma \models_{AL} A$ iff all minimally abnormal models of Γ verify A





Abnormal Γ



Normal Γ





there are no **AL**-models, but only **AL**-models of some Γ

all **LLL**-models are **AL**-models of some Γ

the **AL**-semantics **selects** some **LLL**-models of Γ as **AL**-models of Γ

4.5 Annotated dynamic proofs: Minimal Abnormality



rules (as for Reliability) and marking definition

where $Dab(\Delta_1), \dots, Dab(\Delta_n)$ are the minimal Dab -formulas derived on the condition \emptyset at stage s

$\Phi_s^o(\Gamma)$: the set of all sets that contain one member of each Δ_i

$\Phi_s^*(\Gamma)$: contains, for any $\varphi \in \Phi_s^o(\Gamma)$, $Cn_{LLL}(\varphi) \cap \Omega$

$\Phi_s(\Gamma)$: $\phi \in \Phi_s^*(\Gamma)$ that are not proper supersets of a $\phi' \in \Phi_s^*(\Gamma)$

Definition

where Δ is the condition of line i , line i is marked at stage s iff, where A derived on the condition Δ at line i , (i) there is no $\varphi \in \Phi_s(\Gamma)$ such that $\varphi \cap \Delta = \emptyset$, or (ii) for some $\varphi \in \Phi_s(\Gamma)$, there is no line at which A is derived on a condition Θ for which $\varphi \cap \Theta = \emptyset$





example: $\Gamma = \{\sim p, \sim q, p \vee q, p \vee r, q \vee s\}$

$\Gamma \vdash_{\text{ACLuN}^m} r \vee s$

$\Gamma \not\vdash_{\text{ACLuN}^r} r \vee s$

4.6 Some further examples



corrective

- $ACLuN^r$ and $ACLuN^m$ (negation gluts)
- other paraconsistent logics as LLL , including ANA (J)
- negation gaps
- gluts/gaps for all logical symbols
- ambiguity adaptive logics (G)
- adaptive zero logic
- corrective deontic logics (J, I)
- (prioritized ial)
- ...



ampliative (+ ampliative and corrective)



- compatibility (characterization)
- compatibility with inconsistent premises (J, Da, L)
- diagnosis
- prioritized adaptive logics (L, E, Da, J)
- inductive generalization (D, Ln)
- abduction
- inference to the best explanation (J)
- analogies, metaphors
- erotetic inference
- discussions
- ...



incorporation

- flat Rescher–Manor consequence relations (+ extensions)
- partial structures and pragmatic truth (J)
- prioritized Rescher–Manor consequence relations (L, Ti)
- circumscription, defaults, negation as failure, ...
- dynamic characterization of \mathbf{R}_{\rightarrow}
- ...



applications

- scientific discovery and creativity
- scientific explanation
- diagnosis (E, Da, L, J)
- positions defended / agreed upon in discussions
- changing positions in discussions
- belief revision (K)
- inconsistent arithmetic (Ti)
- evocation of questions from inconsistent premises (J, K)
- inductive statistical explanation (E)
- tentatively eliminating abnormalities
- ...

4.7 Some properties



Derivability Adjustment Theorem:

$A \in Cn_{ULL}(\Gamma)$ iff $A \vee Dab(\Delta) \in Cn_{LLL}(\Gamma)$ for some Δ .

Strong Reassurance

$$Cn_{LLL}(\Gamma) \subseteq Cn_{AL}(\Gamma) \subseteq Cn_{ULL}(\Gamma)$$

...

4.8 Combined adaptive logics



- 'union': $\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$
- sequential combination
- ...



example of a set of adaptive logics to combine: \mathbf{AT}^i



- *lower limit logic*: \mathbf{T}
- *set of abnormalities*: $\Omega^i = \{\diamond^i A \wedge \sim A \mid A \in \mathcal{W}\}$
(abnormality is falsehood of an expectancy)
- *strategy*: Reliability

upper limit logic: $\mathbf{Triv} = \mathbf{T} + \diamond A \supset A$

many possible variants: e.g. $\Omega^i = \{\diamond^i \forall A \wedge \sim \forall A \mid A \in \mathcal{F}^o\}$



the combination



we want $\dots Cn_{AT^3}(Cn_{AT^2}(Cn_{AT^1}(\Gamma)))$ (1)

Proofs: (skipping a couple of details)

- apply rules of AT^1 , AT^2 , ... in any order
- Marking definition: at any stage, mark for AT^1 , next for AT^2 , ... up to the highest \diamond^i that occurs in the proof

Notwithstanding (1), a criterion may warrant final derivability after finitely many steps.