

# Integrity Constraints

- In the electrical domain, what if we predict that a light should be on, but observe that it isn't?  
What can we conclude?
- We will expand the definite clause language to include **integrity constraints** which are rules that imply *false*, where *false* is an atom that is false in all interpretations.
- This will allow us to make conclusions from a contradiction.
- A definite clause knowledge base is always consistent. This won't be true with the rules that imply *false*.



# Horn clauses

- An **integrity constraint** is a clause of the form

$$false \leftarrow a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_k$$

where the  $a_i$  are atoms and *false* is a special atom that is false in all interpretations.

- A **Horn clause** is either a definite clause or an integrity constraint.

# Negative Conclusions

- Negations can follow from a Horn clause KB.
- The negation of  $\alpha$ , written  $\neg\alpha$  is a formula that
  - is true in interpretation  $I$  if  $\alpha$  is false in  $I$ , and
  - is false in interpretation  $I$  if  $\alpha$  is true in  $I$ .

➤ **Example:**

$$KB = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{false} \leftarrow a \wedge b. \\ a \leftarrow c. \\ b \leftarrow c. \end{array} \right\} \quad KB \models \neg c.$$

# Disjunctive Conclusions

- Disjunctions can follow from a Horn clause KB.
- The disjunction of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , written  $\alpha \vee \beta$ , is
  - true in interpretation  $I$  if  $\alpha$  is true in  $I$  or  $\beta$  is true in  $I$  (or both are true in  $I$ ).
  - false in interpretation  $I$  if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are both false in  $I$ .
- **Example:**

$$KB = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{false} \leftarrow a \wedge b. \\ a \leftarrow c. \\ b \leftarrow d. \end{array} \right\} \quad KB \models \neg c \vee \neg d.$$

# Questions and Answers in Horn KBs

- An **assumable** is an atom whose negation you are prepared to accept as part of a (disjunctive) answer.
- A **conflict** of  $KB$  is a set of assumables that, given  $KB$  imply *false*.
- A **minimal conflict** is a conflict such that no strict subset is also a conflict.

# Conflict Example

**Example:** If  $\{c, d, e, f, g, h\}$  are the assumables

$$KB = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{false} \leftarrow a \wedge b. \\ a \leftarrow c. \\ b \leftarrow d. \\ b \leftarrow e. \end{array} \right\}$$

- $\{c, d\}$  is a conflict
- $\{c, e\}$  is a conflict
- $\{c, d, e, h\}$  is a conflict

# Using Conflicts for Diagnosis

- Assume that the user is able to observe whether a light is lit or dark and whether a power outlet is dead or live.
- A light can't be both lit and dark. An outlet can't be both live and dead:

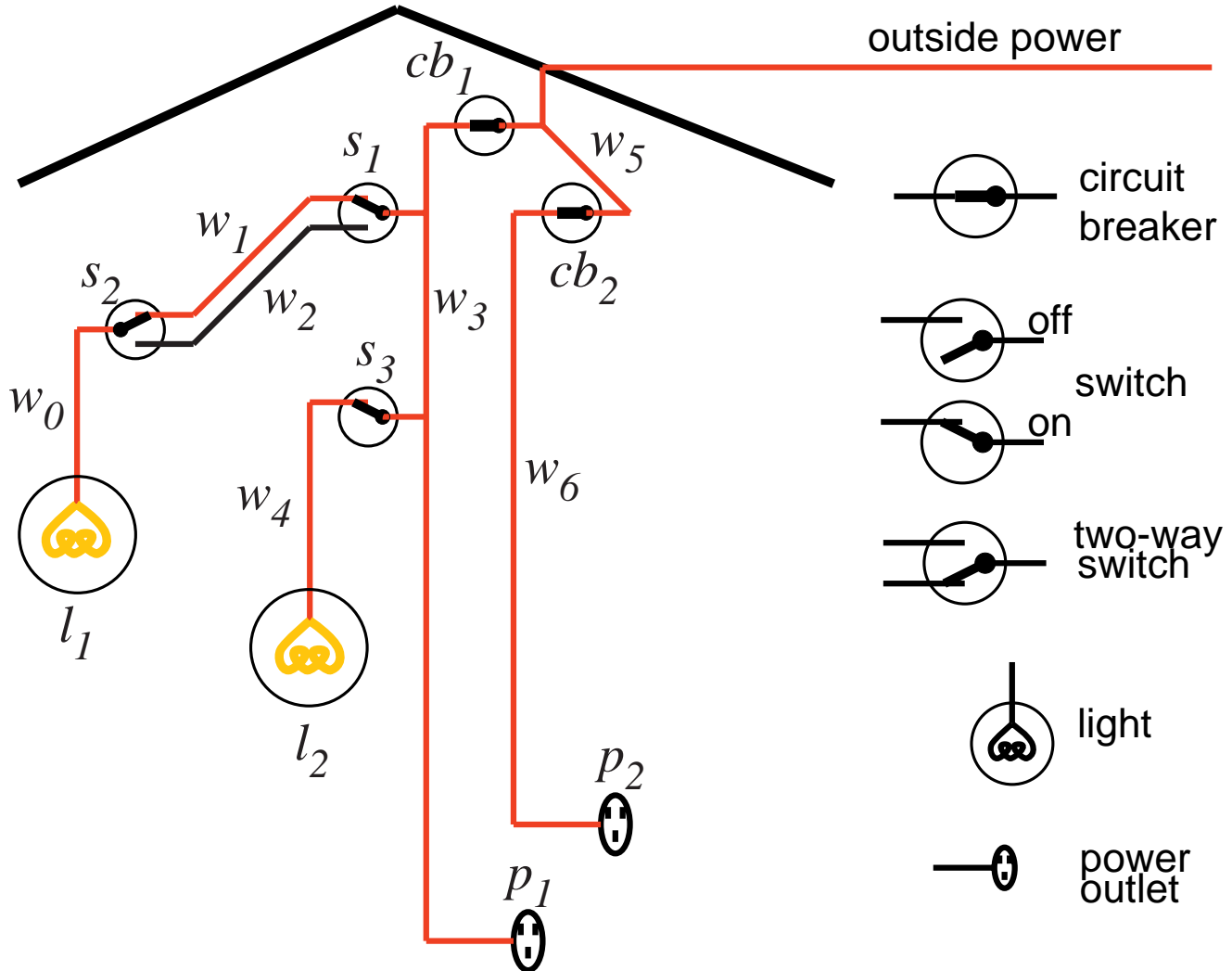
$$\textit{false} \Leftarrow \textit{dark}(L) \ \& \ \textit{lit}(L).$$

$$\textit{false} \Leftarrow \textit{dead}(L) \ \& \ \textit{live}(L).$$

- Make *ok* assumable:  $\textit{assumable}(\textit{ok}(X))$ .
- Suppose switches  $s_1$ ,  $s_2$ , and  $s_3$  are all up:  
 $\textit{up}(s_1). \textit{up}(s_2). \textit{up}(s_3)$ .



# Electrical Environment





$lit(L) \Leftarrow light(L) \ \& \ ok(L) \ \& \ live(L).$

$live(W) \Leftarrow connected\_to(W, W_1) \ \& \ live(W_1).$

$live(outside) \Leftarrow true.$

$light(l_1) \Leftarrow true.$

$light(l_2) \Leftarrow true.$

$connected\_to(l_1, w_0) \Leftarrow true.$

$connected\_to(w_0, w_1) \Leftarrow up(s_2) \ \& \ ok(s_2).$

$connected\_to(w_1, w_3) \Leftarrow up(s_1) \ \& \ ok(s_1).$

$connected\_to(w_3, w_5) \Leftarrow ok(cb_1).$

$connected\_to(w_5, outside) \Leftarrow true.$



➤ If the user has observed  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are both dark:  
 $dark(l_1). dark(l_2).$

➤ There are two minimal conflicts:

$\{ok(cb_1), ok(s_1), ok(s_2), ok(l_1)\}$  and  
 $\{ok(cb_1), ok(s_3), ok(l_2)\}.$

➤ You can derive:

$\neg ok(cb_1) \vee \neg ok(s_1) \vee \neg ok(s_2) \vee \neg ok(l_1)$   
 $\neg ok(cb_1) \vee \neg ok(s_3) \vee \neg ok(l_2).$

➤ Either  $cb_1$  is broken or there is one of six double faults.



# Diagnoses

- A **consistency-based diagnosis** is a set of assumables that has at least one element in each conflict.
- A **minimal diagnosis** is a diagnosis such that no subset is also a diagnosis.
- Intuitively, one of the minimal diagnoses must hold. A diagnosis holds if all of its elements are false.
- **Example:** For the preceding example there are seven minimal diagnoses:  $\{ok(cb_1)\}$ ,  $\{ok(s_1), ok(s_3)\}$ ,  $\{ok(s_1), ok(l_2)\}$ ,  $\{ok(s_2), ok(s_3)\}$ ,...



# Meta-interpreter to find conflicts

% *dprove*(*G*, *D*<sub>0</sub>, *D*<sub>1</sub>) is true if list *D*<sub>0</sub> is an ending of list *D*<sub>1</sub>  
% such that assuming the elements of *D*<sub>1</sub> lets you derive *G*.

*dprove*(*true*, *D*, *D*).

*dprove*((*A* & *B*), *D*<sub>1</sub>, *D*<sub>3</sub>) ←

*dprove*(*A*, *D*<sub>1</sub>, *D*<sub>2</sub>) ∧ *dprove*(*B*, *D*<sub>2</sub>, *D*<sub>3</sub>).

*dprove*(*G*, *D*, [*G*|*D*]) ← *assumable*(*G*).

*dprove*(*H*, *D*<sub>1</sub>, *D*<sub>2</sub>) ←

(*H* ← *B*) ∧ *dprove*(*B*, *D*<sub>1</sub>, *D*<sub>2</sub>).

*conflict*(*C*) ← *dprove*(*false*, [], *C*).



# Tricky Example

$\text{false} \Leftarrow a.$

$a \Leftarrow b \ \& \ c.$

$b \Leftarrow d.$

$b \Leftarrow e.$

$c \Leftarrow f.$

$c \Leftarrow g.$

$e \Leftarrow h \ \& \ w.$

$e \Leftarrow g.$

$w \Leftarrow d.$

assumable  $d, f, g, h.$



# Bottom-up Conflict Finding

- **Conclusions** are pairs  $\langle a, A \rangle$ , where  $a$  is an atom and  $A$  is a set of assumables that imply  $a$ .
- Initially, conclusion set  $C = \{\langle a, \{a\} \rangle : a \text{ is assumable}\}$ .
- If there is a rule  $h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$  such that for each  $b_i$  there is some  $A_i$  such that  $\langle b_i, A_i \rangle \in C$ , then  $\langle h, A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_m \rangle$  can be added to  $C$ .
- If  $\langle a, A_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  are in  $C$ , where  $A_1 \subset A_2$ , then  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  can be removed from  $C$ .
- If  $\langle \text{false}, A_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  are in  $C$ , where  $A_1 \subseteq A_2$ , then  $\langle a, A_2 \rangle$  can be removed from  $C$ .



# Bottom-up Conflict Finding Code

$C := \{ \langle a, \{a\} \rangle : a \text{ is assumable} \};$

**repeat**

**select** clause “ $h \leftarrow b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_m$ ” in  $T$  such that

$\langle b_i, A_i \rangle \in C$  for all  $i$  and

there is no  $\langle h, A' \rangle \in C$  or  $\langle \text{false}, A' \rangle \in C$

such that  $A' \subseteq A$  where  $A = A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_m$ ;

$C := C \cup \{ \langle h, A \rangle \}$

Remove any elements of  $C$  that can now be pruned;

**until** no more selections are possible



# Integrity Constraints in Databases

- Database designers can use integrity constraints to specify constraints that should never be violated.
- **Example:** A student can't have two different grades for the same course.

*false* ←

*grade(St, Course, Gr<sub>1</sub>)* ∧

*grade(St, Course, Gr<sub>2</sub>)* ∧

*Gr<sub>1</sub> ≠ Gr<sub>2</sub>.*

- When false is derived, HOW can be used to debug the KB.

