



PROBLEM SOLVING AND SEARCH IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Lecture 7 ASP III * slides adapted from Torsten Schaub [Gebser et al.(2012)]

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- **Meaning** A minimize statement is a directive that instructs the ASP solver to compute optimal stable models by minimizing a weighted sum of elements

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- **Example** When configuring a computer, we may want to maximize hard disk capacity, while minimizing price

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The priority levels indicate that (minimizing) price is more important than (maximizing) capacity

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 - 1 All stable models of P are consistent or
 - 2 $X = \mathcal{A} \cup \overline{\mathcal{A}}$ is the only stable model of P

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- A program is called **positive** if $\text{body}(r)^- = \emptyset$ for all its rules

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Some properties

- A disjunctive logic program may have zero, one, or multiple stable models
- If X is a stable model of a disjunctive logic program P , then X is a model of P (seen as a formula)
- If X and Y are stable models of a disjunctive logic program P , then $X \not\subseteq Y$
- If $A \in X$ for some stable model X of a disjunctive logic program P , then there is a rule $r \in P$ such that $body(r)^+ \subseteq X$, $body(r)^- \cap X = \emptyset$, and $head(r) \cap X = \{A\}$

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- X is no stable model of P because $X \notin \min_{\subseteq}(\mathit{ground}(P)^X)$

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