The Belief Bias Effect under the Weak Completion Semantics

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Evans, Barston, and Pollard [1983] call this phenomenon the belief bias effect

It occurs when we think to be judging something based on our reasoning, but are actually influenced by our beliefs and our prior knowledge.

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- The atmosphere of the premises influences the acceptance for the conclusions.
- Humans heuristically accept any syllogism having a believable conclusion and only check on the logic if the conclusion contradicts their beliefs.
- If the conclusion is neutral or believable, humans attempt to construct a model that supports it; otherwise, they attempt to construct a model, which rejects it.

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Classical logic cannot adequately represent the syllogistic reasoning task.

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3. $\forall X(\neg police_dog(X) \lor \neg vicious(X))$

The first premise of S_{dog} is

No police dogs are vicious.

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We obtain the following preliminary representation of the first premise of S_{dog} :

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where $police_dog(X)$, $police_dog'(X)$, and vicious(X) denote that X is a police dog, X is not a police dog, and X is vicious, respectively.

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This information for PREMISE 1 in S_{dog} can now be encoded as:

$police_dog'(X)$	\leftarrow	$vicious(X) \land \neg ab_{dog'}(X),$
$police_dog(X)$	\leftarrow	$\neg police_dog'(X),$
$ab_{dog'}(X)$	\leftarrow	⊥.

Syllogism $S_{\textit{dog}}$

PREMISE 2 states that there are some highly trained dogs that are vicious. That presupposes that there actually exists something, e.g. *a*, for which it holds that:

 $highly_trained(a) \leftarrow \top$ and $vicious(a) \leftarrow \top$.

 \mathcal{P}_{dog} represents the first two premises of S_{dog} :

 $\begin{array}{rcl} police_dog'(X) & \leftarrow & vicious(X) \land \neg ab_{dog'}(X), \\ police_dog(X) & \leftarrow & \neg police_dog'(X), \\ ab_{dog'}(X) & \leftarrow & \bot, \\ \hline highly_trained(a) & \leftarrow & \top, \\ vicious(a) & \leftarrow & \top. \end{array}$

Reasoning with respect to Least Models

 \mathcal{P}_{dog} represents S_{dog} . Its weak completion, wc g \mathcal{P}_{dog} , is:



Its least model is:

 $\langle \{highly_trained(a), vicious(a), police_dog'(a)\}, \{police_dog(a), ab_{dog'}(a)\} \rangle$.

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This model entails the CONCLUSION: Some highly trained dogs are not police dogs.

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 $\mathcal{P}_{\textit{vit}}$ represents $\operatorname{PREMISE}\ 1$ and $\operatorname{PREMISE}\ 2$ together with the background knowledge:

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \textit{nutritional}'(X) & \leftarrow & \textit{inex}(X) \land \neg \textit{ab}_{\textit{nut}'}(X), \\ \textit{nutritional}(X) & \leftarrow & \neg \textit{nutritional}'(X), \\ & ab_{\textit{nut}'}(X) & \leftarrow & \bot, \\ & ab_{\textit{nut}'}(X) & \leftarrow & \textit{vitamin}(X), \\ & \textit{vitamin}(a) & \leftarrow & \top, \\ & \textit{inex}(a) & \leftarrow & \top. \end{array}$

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nutritional' (a) nutritional(a) ab _{nut'} (a)	$\begin{array}{c} \leftrightarrow \\ \leftrightarrow \\ \leftrightarrow \end{array}$	inex(a) ∧ ¬ab _{nut'} (a), ¬nutritional'(a), ⊥ ∨ vitamin(a),
vitamin(a) inex(a)	$\leftrightarrow \\ \leftrightarrow$	Т, Т.

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 $\langle \{vitamin(a), inex(a), nutritional'(a)\}, \{nutritional(a), ab_{nut'}(a)\} \rangle$

which entails the conclusion, that some vitamin tables are not nutritional.

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Conclusion	Therefore, some A are not C.

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Both Syllogisms can be modeled with abduction.

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3.	$\forall X(\neg add(X) \lor \neg inex(X))$	because	A ightarrow B	≡	$\neg A \lor B$
4.	$\forall X(add(X) ightarrow \neg inex(X))$	because	$A \rightarrow B$	≡	$\neg B \rightarrow \neg A$
			and $\neg \neg A$	≡	A

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5. $\forall X(inex(X) \rightarrow \neg add(X))$

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The first premise implies that

If something costs **or** less then not addictive.

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From the second premise, we generalize to



(2)

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$\begin{array}{l} \text{Modeling } S_{\textit{cig}} \\ \text{Consider } S_{\textit{cig}} \text{ again} \end{array}$

Premise 1	No addictive things are inexpensive.	$ ightarrow add'(X) \leftarrow add(X) \leftarrow ab(X) \leftarrow$	$-inex(X) \land \neg ab(X)$ - $\neg add'(X)$ - \bot
Premise 2	Some cigarettes are inexpensive.	$\mathit{cig}(\mathit{a}) \leftarrow \top$	$\mathit{inex}(\mathit{a}) \leftarrow \top$

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Cigarettes are inexpensive. Cigarettes are abnormal. $inex(X) \leftarrow cig(X)$ $ab(X) \leftarrow cig(X)$

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Modeling S_{cig}}\\ \mbox{Consider S_{cig} again} \end{array}$

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Cigarettes are inexpensive. Cigarettes are abnormal. $inex(X) \leftarrow cig(X)$ $ab(X) \leftarrow cig(X)$

Additionally, to explain why people validate S_{cig} we assume that they use abduction.

CONCLUSION Some addictive things are not cigarettes.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Modeling S_{cig}}\\ \mbox{Consider S_{cig} again} \end{array}$

Premise 1	No addictive things are inexpensive.	$ ightarrow add'(X) \leftarrow \ add(X) \leftarrow \ ab(X) \leftarrow \ b(X) \leftarrow$	$ \frac{inex(X) \land \neg ab(X)}{\neg add'(X)} $
Premise 2	Some cigarettes are inexpensive.	$\mathit{cig}(\mathit{a}) \leftarrow op$	$\mathit{inex}(a) \leftarrow \top$

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CONCLUSION Some addictive things are not cigarettes. add(b)

1. We know that there are addictive things, let's say b.

b is addictive.

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CONCLUSION Some addictive things are not cigarettes. $add(b) \land \neg inex(b)$

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b is addictive.

2. Given P_{REMISE} 1, these addictive things cannot be inexpensive.

b is not inexpensive.

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b is addictive.

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3. we credulously abduce, that these cannot be the cigarettes.

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b is addictive.

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3. we credulously abduce, that these cannot be the cigarettes.

b is not a cigarette.

PREMISE 1 No millionaires are hard workers.

PREMISE 2 Some rich people are hard workers.

CONCLUSION

Therefore, some millionaires are not rich people.

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Modeling S_{mil}

PREMISE 1 No millionaires are hard workers.

 $\begin{array}{l} \textit{mil}'(X) \leftarrow \textit{hard_worker}(X) \land \neg \textit{ab}(X) \\ \textit{mil}(X) \leftarrow \neg \textit{mil}'(X) \\ \textit{ab}(X) \leftarrow \bot \\ \textit{rich}(a) \leftarrow \top, \textit{hard_worker}(a) \leftarrow \top \end{array}$

PREMISE 2 Some rich people are hard workers.

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Rich people are hard workers. $hard_worker(X) \leftarrow rich(X)$

Additionally, to explain why people validate S_{mil} we assume that they use abduction.

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CONCLUSION Some millionaires are not rich.

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CONCLUSION Some millionaires are not rich. mil(b)

1. We know that there are millionaires, let's say b.

b is a millionaire.

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b is not a hard worker.

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b is a millionaire.

2. Given PREMISE 1, these millionaires cannot be hard workers.

b is not a hard worker.

3. By the generalization of PREMISE 2, we abduce that b cannot be rich.

b is not rich.

Even though not tested yet, our hypothesis is, while checking S_{mil} , participants did not make this assumption and thus, had not been influenced by the belief-bias effect.

Conclusions

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Open Questions

- The weak completion semantics differs wrt other approaches, in the way that the undefined atoms in the program stay unknown, instead of becoming false.
- Syllogistic reasoning tasks never give the option I don't know to the participants.

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