



Trumpet Reincarnations: Abstract Argumentation¹

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(1,4) or (4,1) or both

Implicit Conflicts vs. Explicit Conflicts III



Argument set of interest: $\{a_0, a_1, y_2, u_0, u_1, v_0, v_1\}$

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Implicit Conflicts vs. Explicit Conflicts III



Theorem

Some implicit conflicts can not be made explicit for stable semantics.

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Stable Extensions:

• $\{1,3,5\}$ and $\{2,4,6\}$





Stable Extensions:

• There are none!!!



Why is collapse a problem?

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Collapse Solutions



Example

Collapse of Stable Semantics.

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Stage Extensions:

Definition (Semi-stable)

Consider **self-defending** argument sets where undecided arguments are minimized.

Semi-stable Extensions:

{1}

If there only finitely many arguments then stage and semi-stable never collapse.

Theorem

If stage does not collapse for any induced sub-structure, then it does still not collapse if we add any finite amount of arguments and induced attacks.

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There is no biggest natural number...

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But the empty set is a semi-stable extension!

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Example

Stage and semi-stable collapse.

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Semi-stable collapses, stage not.

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Collapse Solutions II

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Example

Consider a bucket of water. You know that there is one O-atom in each molecule. But can you select exactly one O-atom from each H20 molecule?

Downsides of Choice: Axiom of Determinacy



Theorem

The 2^{ω} generalization of this framework does not collapse for stable semantics if and only if we do not assume Choice.

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