Some Examples of OSCAR Reasoning Defeasibly

These problems are contained in the problem set *Combined-problems.lisp*, and can be run from OSCAR by typing *test(problem-number)*.

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Problem #1
This is a case of collective rebutting defeat
Given premises:
  P justification = 1.0
  A justification = 1.0
Ultimate epistemic interests:
  R interest = 1.0
 FORWARDS PRIMA FACIE REASONS
  pf-reason_1.1: \{P\} \parallel > Q strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_2.1: {Q} ||=> R strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_3.1: {C} ||=> ~R strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_4.1: {B} ||=> C strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_5.1: \{A\} \parallel => B strength = 1.0
Interest in R
is unsatisfied.
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Elapsed time = 0.02 sec
Cumulative size of arguments = 7
Size of inference-graph = 7 of which 0 were unused suppositions.
100% of the inference-graph was used in the argument.
10 interests were adopted.
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THE FOLLOWING IS THE REASONING INVOLVED IN THE SOLUTION
Nodes marked DEFEATED have that status at the end of the reasoning.
# 1
Ρ
given
#2
А
given
                   # 1
                   interest: R
                   This is of ultimate interest
                   Of interest as a defeater for support-link 5 for node 5
#3
В
Inferred by:
       support-link #3 from { 2 } by pf-reason_5.1
#4
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С Inferred by: support-link #4 from { 3 } by pf-reason_4.1 #5 ~R DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #5 from { 4 } by pf-reason_3.1 defeaters: { 7 } DEFEATED defeatees: { link 7 for node 7 } #6 Q Inferred by: support-link #6 from { 1 } by pf-reason_1.1 #7 DEFEATED R Inferred by: support-link #7 from { 6 } by pf-reason_2.1 defeaters: { 5 } DEFEATED defeatees: { link 5 for node 5 } This discharges interest 1 #<Node 7> has become defeated. #<Node 5> has become defeated. _____ Problem #8 Figure 8 -- the lottery paradox paradox Given premises: P justification = 1.0 Ultimate epistemic interests: ~T1 interest = 1.0 ~T2 interest = 1.0 ~T3 interest = 1.0 R interest = 1.0 FORWARDS PRIMA FACIE REASONS pf-reason_1.8: {R} ||=> ~T1 strength = 1.0 pf-reason_2.8: {R} ||=> ~T2 strength = 1.0 pf-reason_3.8: $\{R\} \parallel > \sim T3$ strength = 1.0 pf-reason_4.8: $\{P\} \parallel > R$ strength = 1.0 FORWARDS CONCLUSIVE REASONS con-reason_1.8: {R, ~T1, ~T2} ||=> T3 strength = 1.0 con-reason_2.8: {R , \sim T2 , \sim T3} ||=> T1 strength = 1.0 con-reason_3.8: {R , ~T1 , ~T3} ||=> T2 strength = 1.0 con-reason_4.8: {~T1 , ~T2 , ~T3} ||=> ~R strength = 1.0 Interest in R is answered affirmatively by node 2 _____ Interest in ~T3 is unsatisfied. Interest in ~T2 is unsatisfied.

Interest in ~T1 is unsatisfied.

Elapsed time = 0.05 sec Cumulative size of arguments = 9 Size of inference-graph = 9 of which 0 were unused suppositions. 100% of the inference-graph was used in the argument. 12 interests were adopted.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE REASONING INVOLVED IN THE SOLUTION Nodes marked DEFEATED have that status at the end of the reasoning.

1 Ρ given # 1 interest: R This is of ultimate interest #2 interest: ~T3 This is of ultimate interest #3 interest: ~T2 This is of ultimate interest #4 interest: ~T1 This is of ultimate interest #2 R Inferred by: support-link #2 from { 1 } by pf-reason_4.8 defeaters: { 9 } This discharges interest 1 _____ _____ Justified belief in R with undefeated-degree-of-support 1.0 answers #<Query 4: R> _____ #3 ~T3 DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #3 from { 2 } by pf-reason_3.8 defeaters: { 7 } DEFEATED This discharges interest 2 #4 ~T2 DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #4 from { 2 } by pf-reason_2.8 defeaters: { 8 } DEFEATED This discharges interest 3 #5 ~T1 DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #5 from { 2 } by pf-reason_1.8 defeaters: { 6 } DEFEATED This discharges interest 4 _____ Justified belief in ~T3 with undefeated-degree-of-support 1.0 answers #<Query 3: ~T3> _____ _____

Justified belief in ~T2

with undefeated-degree-of-support 1.0 answers #<Query 2: ~T2> _____ _____ Justified belief in ~T1 with undefeated-degree-of-support 1.0 answers #<Query 1: ~T1> _____ #6 T1 DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #6 from { 2 , 4 , 3 } by con-reason_2.8 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 5 for node 5 } #7 DEFEATED T3 Inferred by: support-link #7 from { 2 , 4 , 5 } by inversion_from_contradictory_nodes_6_and_5 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 3 for node 3 } #8 T2 DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #8 from { 2, 5, 3 } by inversion_from_contradictory_nodes_7_and_3 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 4 for node 4 } #9 ~R DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #9 from { 5, 3, 4 } by inversion_from_contradictory_nodes_8_and_4 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 2 for node 2 } #<Node 6> has become defeated. #<Node 7> has become defeated. #<Node 8> has become defeated. #<Node 9> has become defeated. #<Node 5> has become defeated. #<Node 3> has become defeated. #<Node 4> has become defeated. _____ Lowering the undefeated-degree-of-support of ~T1 retracts the previous answer to #<Query 1: ~T1> ______ _____ Lowering the undefeated-degree-of-support of ~T3 retracts the previous answer to #<Query 3: ~T3> _____ _____ Lowering the undefeated-degree-of-support of ~T2 retracts the previous answer to #<Query 2: ~T2> _____

Problem #10

Figure 9 -- No nearest defeasible ancestor is defeated. Given premises: P justification = 1.0 Ultimate epistemic interests: R interest = 1.0FORWARDS PRIMA FACIE REASONS pf-reason_1.10: {P} ||=> Q strength = 1.0 pf-reason_2.10: {Q} ||=> R strength = 1.0 FORWARDS CONCLUSIVE REASONS con-reason_1.10: {R} ||=> (P @ Q) strength = 1.0 Interest in R is unsatisfied. Elapsed time = 0.01 secCumulative size of arguments = 4Size of inference-graph = 4 of which 0 were unused suppositions. 100% of the inference-graph was used in the argument. 5 interests were adopted. ______ THE FOLLOWING IS THE REASONING INVOLVED IN THE SOLUTION Nodes marked DEFEATED have that status at the end of the reasoning. # 1 Р given #1 interest: R This is of ultimate interest #2 Q DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #2 from { 1 } by pf-reason_1.10 defeaters: { 4 } DEFEATED #3 DEFEATED R Inferred by: support-link #3 from { 2 } by pf-reason_2.10 DEFEATED This discharges interest 1 _____ Justified belief in R with undefeated-degree-of-support 1.0 answers #<Query 1: R> _____ #4 (P @ Q) DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #4 from { 3 } by con-reason_1.10 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 2 for node 2 } #<Node 4> has become defeated. #<Node 2> has become defeated. #<Node 3> has become defeated.

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     Lowering the undefeated-degree-of-support of R
     retracts the previous answer to #<Query 1: R>
     _____
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Problem #15
figure 14 -- a three-membered defeat cycle.
Given premises:
 A justification = 1.0
 P justification = 1.0
 R justification = 1.0
 T justification = 1.0
Ultimate epistemic interests:
 B interest = 1.0
 FORWARDS PRIMA FACIE REASONS
  pf-reason_1.15: {A} ||=> B strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_2.15: {P} ||=> Q strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_3.15: \{R\} \parallel > S strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_4.15: {T} ||=> U strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_5.15: {Q} ||=> (R @ S) strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_6.15: {S} ||=> (T @ U) strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_7.15: {U} ||=> (P @ Q) strength = 1.0
  pf-reason_8.15: {Q} ||=> (A @ B) strength = 1.0
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Interest in B is unsatisfied.

Elapsed time = 0.02 sec Cumulative size of arguments = 12 Size of inference-graph = 12 of which 0 were unused suppositions. 100% of the inference-graph was used in the argument. 17 interests were adopted.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE REASONING INVOLVED IN THE SOLUTION Nodes marked DEFEATED have that status at the end of the reasoning.

1 A given # 2 P given # 3 R given # 4 T given

1 interest: B #5 U DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #5 from { 4 } by pf-reason_4.15 defeaters: { 8 } DEFEATED #6 (P @ Q) DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #6 from { 5 } by pf-reason_7.15 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 9 for node 9 } #7 S DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #7 from { 3 } by pf-reason_3.15 defeaters: { 11 } DEFEATED #8 (T @ U) DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #8 from {7} by pf-reason_6.15 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 5 for node 5 } #<Node 5> has become defeated. #<Node 6> has become defeated. #9 DEFEATED Q Inferred by: support-link #9 from { 2 } by pf-reason_2.15 defeaters: { 6 } DEFEATED # 10 (A @ B) DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #10 from { 9 } by pf-reason_8.15 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 12 for node 12 } # 11 (R @ S) DEFEATED Inferred by: support-link #11 from { 9 } by pf-reason_5.15 DEFEATED defeatees: { link 7 for node 7 } #<Node 10> has become defeated. #<Node 11> has become defeated. #<Node 9> has become defeated. #<Node 7> has become defeated. #<Node 8> has become defeated. # 12 DEFEATED R Inferred by: support-link #12 from { 1 } by pf-reason_1.15 defeaters: { 10 } DEFEATED This discharges interest 1 #<Node 12> has become defeated.

This is of ultimate interest