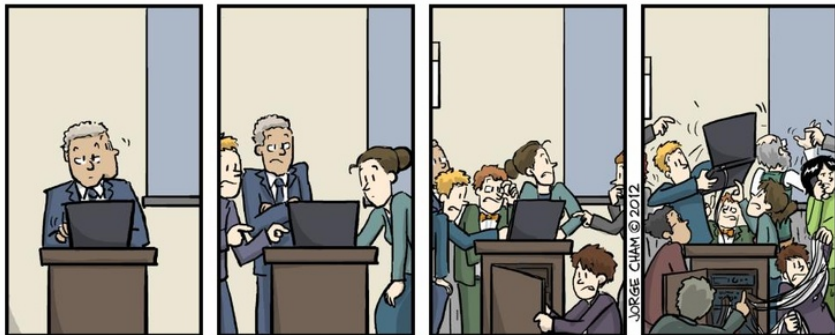


Q: HOW MANY PH.D.'S DOES IT TAKE TO GET A
POWERPOINT PRESENTATION TO WORK?



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ANSWER: $(n+1)$

WHERE n = THE NUMBER OF ACADEMICS IN THE ROOM WHO THINK THEY KNOW HOW
TO FIX IT, AND 1 = THE PERSON WHO FINALLY CALLS THE A/V TECHNICIAN.

Uncertainty reasoning and machine learning

A Few Applications

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E-admissible and maximal sets (Recap)

- **E-admissibility** under u : A class y is E-admissible if there exist $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{CH}_{\alpha^*}^d$ so that $y = y^u$.
- **Maximality** under u : A class y is maximal if there doesn't exist $y' \neq y$ such that y' dominates y on all $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{CH}_{\alpha^*}^d$ (w.r.t. u).

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Properties of E-admissible and maximal sets

- **Question 1:** Prove that the E-admissible set is a subset of the maximal set.
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Properties of E-admissible and maximal sets: Hints

- **Question 1:** Prove that the E-admissible set is a subset of the maximal set. → We did it during the last lecture.
- **Question 2:** Show that the E-admissible set can be a strict subset of the maximal set. → Consider the credal set with two extreme points $\{(0.35, 0.4, 0.25), (0.3, 0.2, 0.5)\}$.
- **Question 3:** Show that the two sets can be identical. → Consider the credal set with two extreme points $\{(0.3, 0.5, 0.2), (0.2, 0.7, 0.1)\}$
- **Question 4:** Show that the cardinality of the E-admissible set can be larger than the number of extreme points on the credal set. → Consider the credal set with two extreme points $\{(0.6, 0.4, 0.0), (0.0, 0.4, 0.6)\}$

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