UNIT 3

Knowledge Representation

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Knowledge

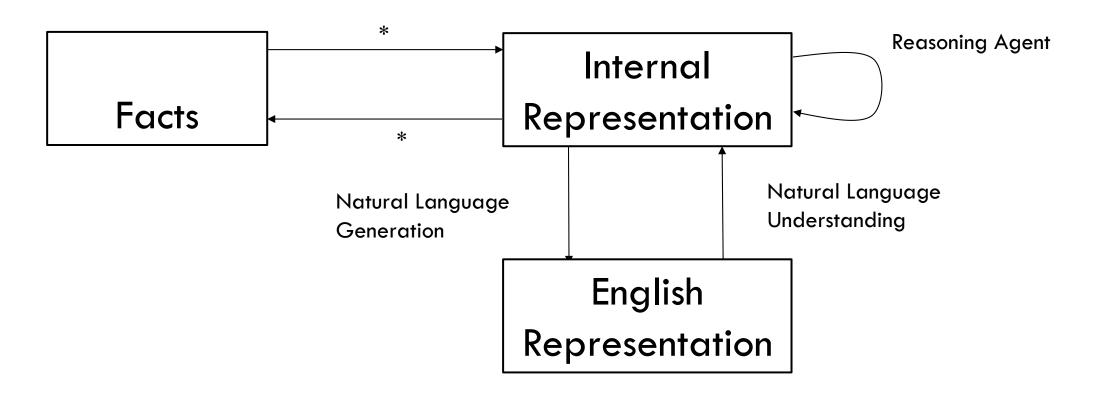
- Data
- Information
- Knowledge
- Tacit Knowledge
- Recorded Knowledge
- Knowledge Engineering

- Solving Complex Problems is guided by requirement of large amount of knowledge and some mechanisms to manipulate that knowledge and create the solution to the Problem
- □ For that knowledge is to be represented for which the following points are to be considered
 - Facts: that we want to represent, i.e. the truth in the representing world
 - Representation: in some formal way

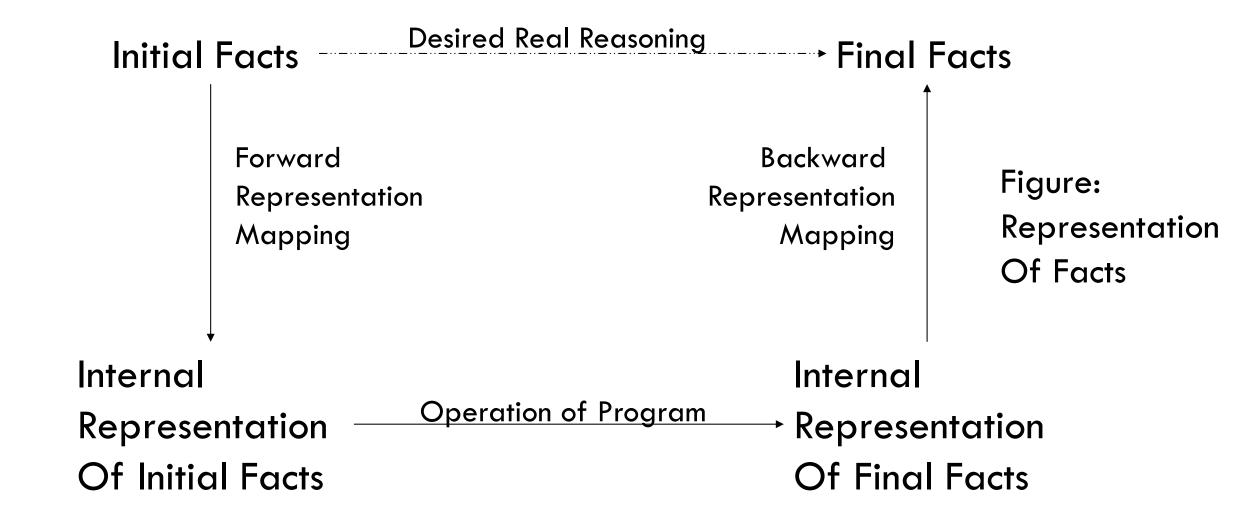
- For structuring these entities one way is to think at two levels:
 - The knowledge level
 - The symbol level
- At knowledge level facts are described
- At symbol level objects represented at knowledge level are defined in terms of symbols that can be manipulated by programs

Representations and Mappings (Reviewing)

Figure: Mapping Facts and Representation



- Rather than thinking of one level on top of another, focusing on facts, representations and on the two way mappings that must exist between them is more important
- These links are called Representation Mappings
- Forward Representation Mapping maps facts to representations
- Backward Representation Mapping maps representations to facts



Approaches to Knowledge Representation

For a good system following four properties are must

- Representational Adequacy: Ability to represent all kind of knowledge that are needed in the domain
- Inferential Adequacy: Ability to manipulate the representational structure in such a way as to derive new structures corresponding to new knowledge inferred from old
- Inferential Efficiency: Ability to incorporate into the knowledge structure additional information that can be used to focus the attention of the inference mechanism in the most promising direction
- Acquisitional Efficiency: Ability to acquire new information easily

Knowledge Representation: Types

- Simple Relational Knowledge
 - The simplest way to represent declarative facts is as a set of relations of the same sort used in database system
- Inheritable Knowledge
 - Structure must be designed to correspond to the inference mechanism that are desired

- Inferential Knowledge
 - Represents knowledge as formal logic
 - Based on reasoning from facts or from other inferential knowledge
 - Useless unless there is also an inference procedure that can exploit it
- Procedural (Imperative) Knowledge
 - Knowledge exercised in the performance of some task
 - Processed by an intelligent agent

Issues in Knowledge Representation

- Are any attributes of objects so basic that they have been occurred in almost every problem domain?
- Are there any important relationships that exist among attributes of objects
- At what level should knowledge be represented?
- How should sets of objects be represented?
- How can relevant parts be accessed when they are needed?

Semantic Networks

- Other than descriptive logic, the major system designed to organise and for reasoning
- Evolved from existential graphs, called the logic of the future
- Existential graphs uses a graphical notation of nodes and arcs
- Semantic networks provide for certain kinds of sentences is often more convenient but if we strip away the human interface issues, the underlying concept persist with objects, relations, quantification and so on

Semantic Networks

- Many variant of semantic net are available now a days
- Semantic nets are capable of representing individual objects,
 categories of objects and relationships among those objects
- A typical graphical notation displays object or categories names in ovals or boxes and connects them with labelled arcs
- Suitable for implementing inheritance and object oriented concepts
- Inverse Links: Example \rightarrow Brother of (x, y) = Has brother <math>(y, x)

Semantic Networks

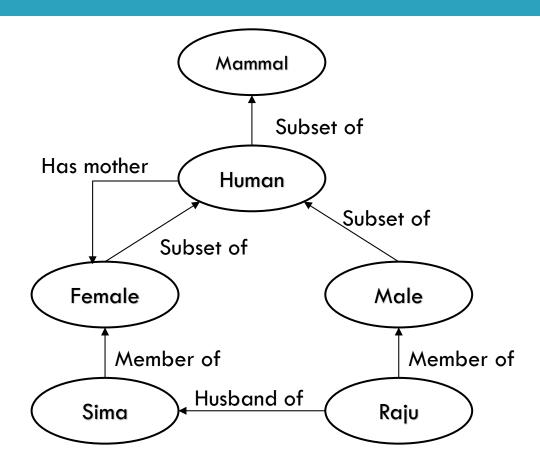


Figure: Semantic Network Example

Frames

- A frame is a collection of attributes (slots) and associated values and possibly constraints on values that describe some entity in the world.
- Frame system is build on a set of frames that are connected to each other by the virtue of fact that the value of an attribute of one frame may be another frame
- Generally, Frames are based on set theory

Frames

Example:

Human

Isa: Mammal

Cardinality: 600000000

*Legs: 2

Male

Isa: Human

Cardinality: 400000000

*Hair: Short

Scripts

- A script is a structure that is used to describe the sequence of events in a particular context
- □ It consists of a set of slots
- Each slot is associated with some information describing the kind of values a slot may contain as well as a default value to be used if no other information is available
- Script seems to be similar to frames but these have more detailed information
- For example: refer to Page Number 286, Artificial Intelligence, Rich and Knight.

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Any Queries?