



# Intelligence

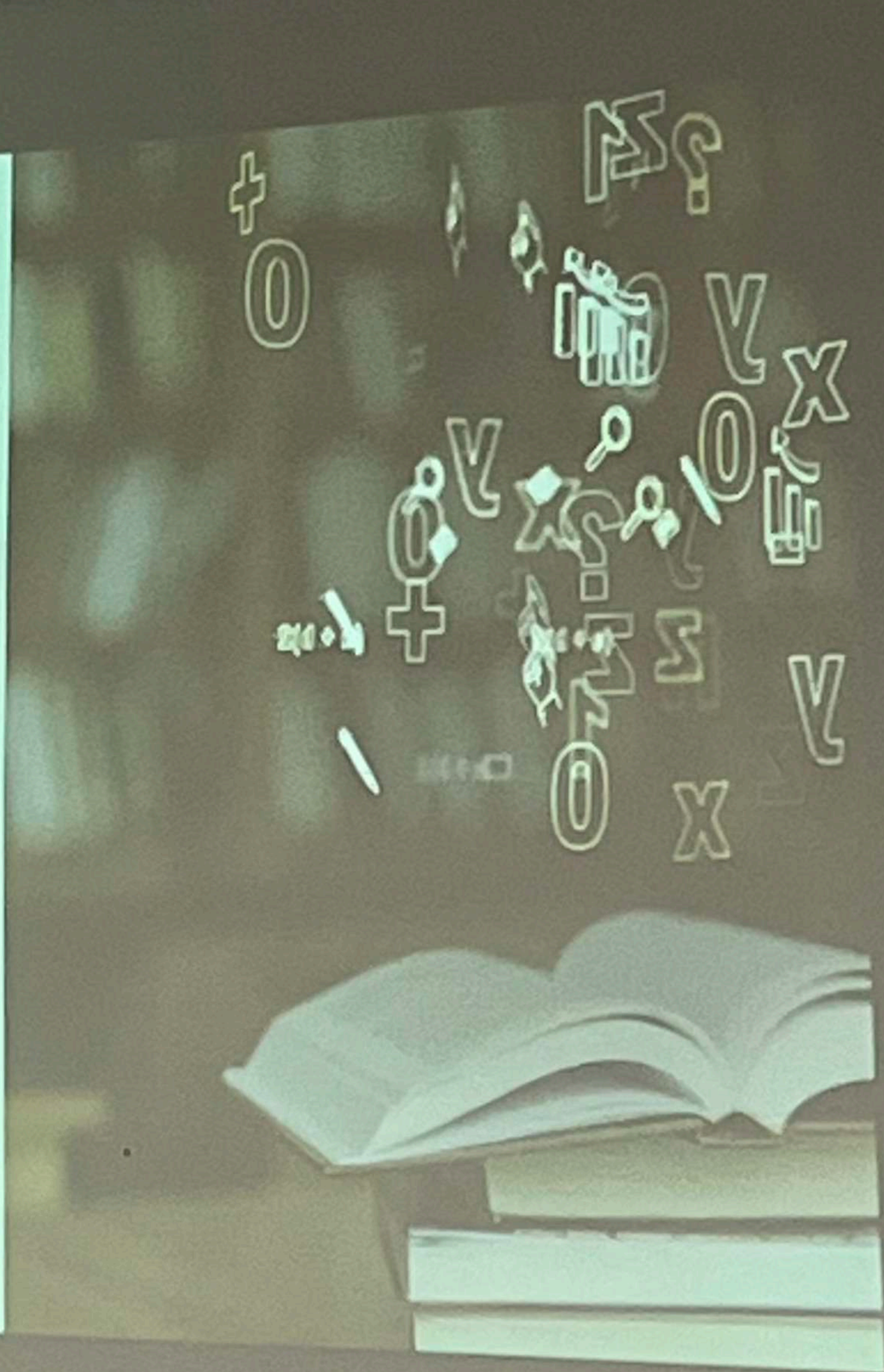
- Intelligence
  - the ability to understand, learn and think
- Intelligence of humans is achieved—not by purely reflex mechanisms but by processes of reasoning that operate on internal representations of knowledge
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) is about building machines and systems that can reason, learn, and solve problems, similar to how humans do. In many AI applications, logical reasoning plays a crucial role, allowing systems to make decisions based on given conditions and facts
- Leads to knowledge-based agents approach for AI



# Knowledge Base

- Knowledge Base – Set of sentences represented in knowledge representation language

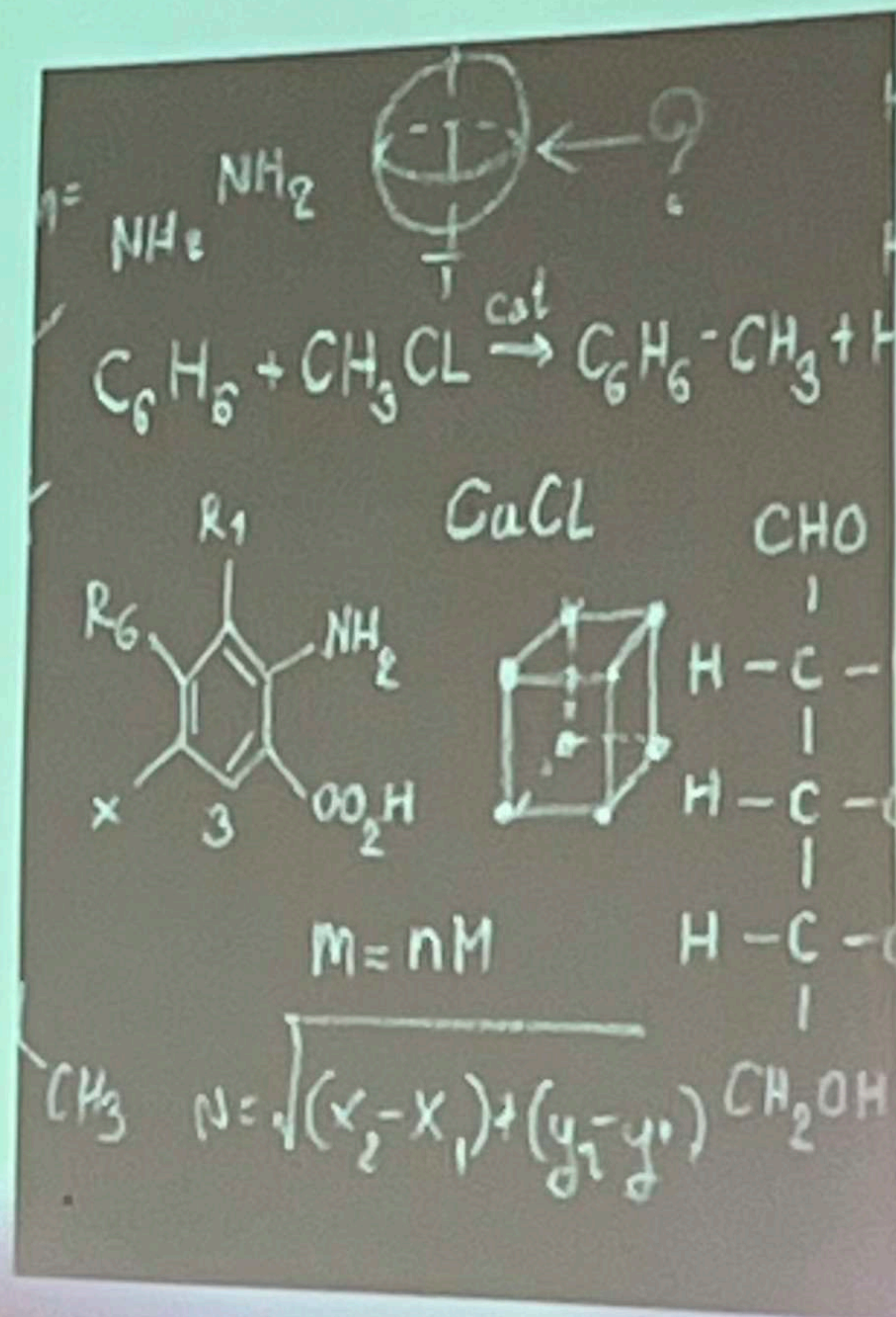
- Knowledge representation language—  
Expressing knowledge explicitly in a computer-tractable way
  - (logic)





## Logic

- Oxford dictionary
  - a way of thinking or explaining something
  - sensible reasons for doing something
  - the science of thinking about or explaining the reason for something using formal methods
- Logic is the basis of all mathematical reasoning and all automated reasoning





# Formal vs Informal

Formal	Informal
Uses formal language	Natural language
Study of logical truths	Studies informal fallacies, Critical Thinking,...
Symbolic logic, mathematical logic,	





## Natural languages exhibit ambiguity

The boy saw a girl with a telescope

Our shoes are guaranteed to give you a fit

Ambiguity makes reasoning difficult / incomplete



## Why formal languages

### Formal languages

promote rigour and thereby  
reduce possibility of human error

help reduce implicit / unstated  
assumptions by removing  
familiarity with subject matter

help achieve generality due to  
possibility of finding alternative  
interpretations for sentences and  
arguments.



## Formal logic

- **Formal logic:** Uses syllogisms to make inferences, and examines how conclusions follow from premises based on the structure of arguments
  - **Symbolic logic:** Uses symbols to accurately map out valid and invalid arguments.
  - **Mathematical logic:** Uses mathematical symbols to prove theoretical arguments
  - **Propositional Logic**



# Why is it important?

- Core of AI

- Possibility of *automating* reasoning  
Reasoning: draw inferences from knowledge

- answer queries

- discover facts that follow from the knowledge base decide what to do etc.

- In AI, propositional logic is essential for knowledge representation, reasoning, and decision-making processes



# Impact of Logic in AI

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## Computer Math Proof Shows Reasoning Power

By GINA KOLATA

**C**omputers are winners when it comes to the grunt work of mathematics. But for creative and elegant solutions to hard mathematical problems, nothing has been able to beat the human mind. That is, perhaps, until now.

A computer program written by researchers at Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois has come up with a major mathematical proof that would have been called creative if a human had thought of it. In doing so, the computer has, for the first time, put a technical stamp on mathematics, a field described by its practitioners as more of an art form than a science. And the implications, some say, are profound, showing just how powerful computers can be at reasoning itself, at mimicking the flashes of logical insight or even genius that have characterized the best human minds.

Computers have found proofs of mathematical conjectures before, of course, but those conjectures were easy to prove. The difference this time is that the computer has solved a conjecture that stumped some of the best mathematicians for 60 years. And it did so with a program that was designed to reason, not to solve a specific problem. In that sense, the program is very different from chess-playing computer programs, for example, which are intended to solve just one problem: the moves of a chess game.

"It's a sign of power, of reasoning power," said Dr. Larry Wos, the supervisor of the computer reasoning project at Argonne. And with this result, obtained by a colleague, Dr. William McCune, he said, "We've taken a quantum leap forward."

Wos predicts that the result may mark the beginning of the end for mathematics research as it is now practiced, eventually forcing mathematicians to focus on discovering new conjectures, and leaving the proof to computers.

But the result also poses challenges for very basic of creative thinking, raising the possibility that computers could take a tangled web as much the same



Dr. William McCune at Argonne Lab.

Dr. William McCune at Argonne Lab, Illinois is in his office with computer. The "Proof of Erdős Conjecture" problem is on the screen.

<https://archive.nytimes.com/www.nytimes.com/library/cyber/week/1230math.html?pagewanted=all>



# Logical Arguments

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- (A) All humans have 2 eyes.
- (B) Sujit is a human.
  - Therefore (P) Sujit has 2 eyes.
- (C) All humans have 4 eyes.
- (B) Sujit is a human.
  - Therefore (Q) Sujit has 4 eyes.
- Which of P and Q are true / false ?
- Is deducing P from A and B correct? Q from B and C?



- All humans have 2 eyes.
- Kishore has 2 eyes.
  - Therefore (P) Kishore is a human.
- No human has 4 eyes.
- Kishore has 2 eyes.
  - Therefore (Q) Kishore is not human.
- Which of P and Q are true / false ?
- Is deducing P correct? Q?

- ...fallacy conclusion may be correct. The reasoning is incorrect



# Propositional Logic

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Deals with propositions which are true or false

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Also known as propositional calculus

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Zero-order logic

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Foundations for first order and higher order logics



## Order of 'Logic'

- The order of a logic refers to the degree of quantification that can be performed over sets:
  - **First-order logic:** Quantifies only over individuals. It is also known as predicate logic, predicate calculus, or quantificational logic.
  - **Second-order logic:** Quantifies over sets.
  - **Third-order logic:** Quantifies over sets of sets.
  - **Higher-order logic:** The union of first-, second-, third-, and higher-order logic. It allows quantification over sets that are nested arbitrarily deeply.



# Propositional Logic

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- Propositions are Declarative Statements
- Atomic Propositions:
  - Simple, indivisible statements, cannot be broken down further
  - Each atomic proposition represents a basic fact or condition
  - Example: "The door is closed."
- Compound Propositions:
  - Multiple atomic propositions can be combined using **logical connectives** (like AND, OR, NOT) to create compound propositions.
  - Example: "The door is closed AND the heater is on."



## Exercise

Given: A and B are true; X and Y are false, determine truth values of:

$$\neg(A \vee X)$$

$$A \vee (X \wedge Y)$$

$$A \wedge (X \vee (B \wedge Y))$$

$$[(A \wedge X) \vee \neg B] \wedge \neg[(A \vee X) \vee \neg B]$$

$$(P \wedge Q) \wedge (\neg A \vee X)$$

$$[(X \wedge Y) \rightarrow A] \rightarrow [X \rightarrow (Y \rightarrow A)]$$



## Truth Table

- A truth table is a breakdown of all the possible truth values returned by a logical expression
- Write down truth tables for,  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $\neg P$ ,  $P \vee Q$ ,  $P \rightarrow Q$ ,  $P \leftrightarrow Q$ ,  $\neg P \vee Q$ ,  $\neg P \text{ XOR } Q$ 
  - One row for each possible assignment of True/False to propositional variables
  - Important: Above  $P$  and  $Q$  can be any sentence, including complex sentences



$$P \leftrightarrow Q$$

$$P \rightarrow Q$$

$$Q \rightarrow P$$

If  $P \leftrightarrow Q$  is true

- P and Q are equivalent
- P is necessary and Sufficient for Q
- Q is necessary and Sufficient for P



## Excercise

- Which of the following are propositions
  - (P) Today is Wednesday
  - (Q) It is raining today
  - (R) It will be raining tomorrow
  - (S) Close the door
  - (S)  $2 + 7 = 9$
  - (T)  $3 + 9 = 10$
  - (U)  $X + 2 = 1$



## Logical connections

AND ( $\wedge$ ) conjunction	S: P AND Q S: $P \wedge Q$	S is true if both P and Q are true
OR ( $\vee$ ) disjunction	S: P OR Q S: $P \vee Q$	S is true if any of P, Q is true
NOT ( $\neg$ ): Negation.	S: $\neg P$	S is true only if P is false
IMPLIES ( $\rightarrow$ )	S: $P \rightarrow Q$ S: $\neg P \vee Q$	S is true if P implies Q
IFF ( $\leftrightarrow$ )	S: $P \leftrightarrow Q$ S: $\neg P \text{ XOR } Q$	S is true if P and Q are true or false together



$$P \rightarrow Q$$

The only time  $P \rightarrow Q$  evaluates to False is when

- $P$  is True and  $Q$  is False

If  $P \rightarrow Q$  is True, then:

- $P$  is a sufficient condition for  $Q$
- $Q$  is a necessary condition for  $P$