



# **Artificial Intelligence**

## **Knowledge Representation**

# Knowledge Representation Topics

1. Knowledge
2. Knowledge Representation (**KR**)
3. KR Using Predicate Logic
4. KR Using Rules

# Knowledge

**Knowledge** is the **information** about a **domain** that can be used to **solve problems** in that domain.

- To **solve** many **problems** requires much **knowledge**, and this knowledge must be **represented** in the **computer**.
- As part of **designing** a **program** to solve problems, we must define **how** the **knowledge** will be **represented**.
- A **representation** of some piece of **knowledge** is the **internal** representation of the **knowledge**.
- A **representation scheme** specifies the **form** of the **knowledge**.
- A **knowledge base** is the **representation** of **all** of the **knowledge** that is **stored** by an **agent**.



# Knowledge

An answer to the question, "*how to represent knowledge*", requires an analysis to distinguish between knowledge "*how*" and knowledge "*that*".

- knowing "*how to do something*".

e.g. "*how to drive a car*"

is a **Procedural** knowledge.

- knowing "*that something is true or false*".

e.g. "*that is the speed limit for a car on a motorway*"

is a **Declarative** knowledge.

# knowledge and Representation

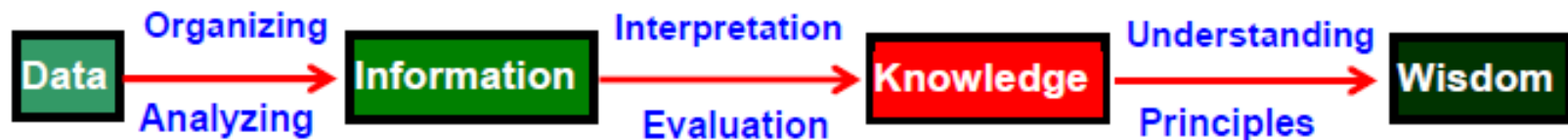
- are *two distinct entities*. They *play* a central but distinguishable *roles* in *intelligent* system.
- **Knowledge is a description of the world.**  
It determines a system's *competence* by what it *knows*. (*Quantity*)
- **Representation is the way knowledge is encoded.**  
It defines a system's *performance* in *doing* something. (*Quality*)
- Different types of knowledge require different kinds of representation.
- The **Knowledge Representation models/mechanisms** are often based on:
  - ◇ **Logic**
  - ◇ **Frames**
  - ◇ **Rules**
  - ◇ **Semantic Net**



# 1. Knowledge

- **Knowledge** is a progression that starts with **data** which is of limited utility.
- By **organizing** or **analyzing** the **data**, we **understand** what the data means, and this becomes **information**.
- The **interpretation** or **evaluation** of **information** yield **knowledge**.
- An **understanding** of the **principles** embodied within the **knowledge** is **wisdom**.

- **Knowledge Progression**



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- **Data** is viewed as collection of *disconnected facts*

**Example** : *It is raining.*


- **Information** emerges when *relationships among facts* are *established* and understood; Provides answers to "*who*", "*what*", "*where*", and "*when*".

**Example** : *The temperature dropped 15 degrees and then it started raining.*

- **Knowledge** emerges when *relationships among patterns* are *identified* and understood; Provides answers as "*how*".

**Example** : *If the humidity is very high and the temperature drops substantially, then atmospheres is unlikely to hold the moisture, so it rains.*

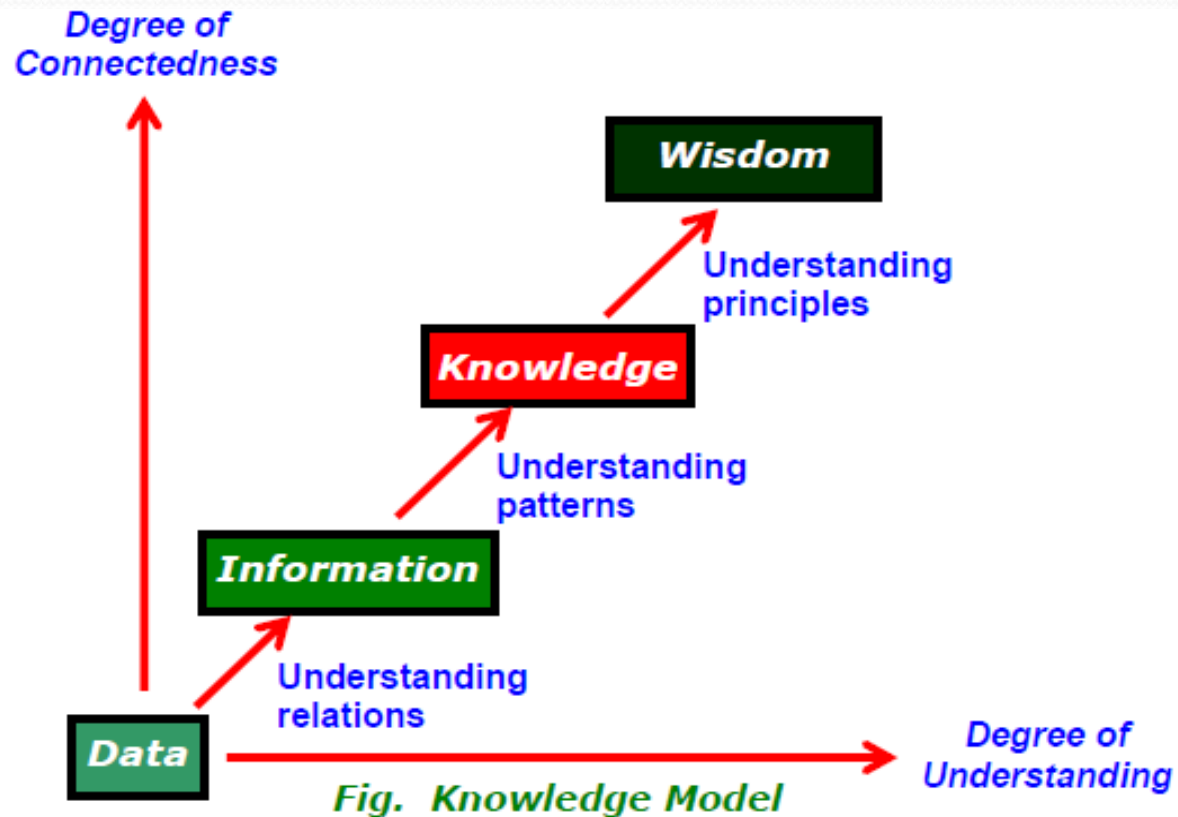


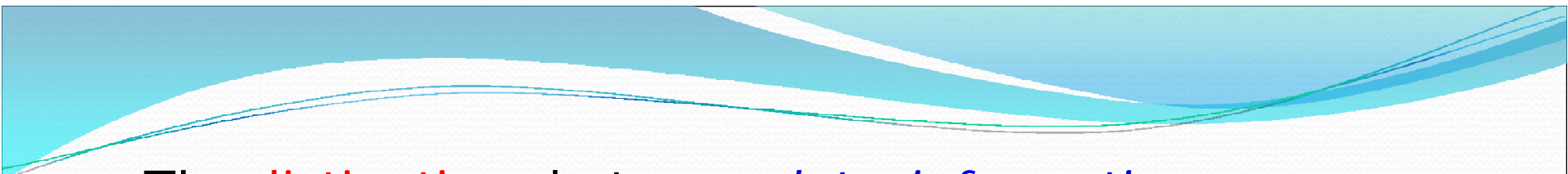
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- **Wisdom** is the pinnacle of understanding, uncovers the *principles of relationships that describe patterns*. Provides answers as "*why*".
  - **Example** : Encompasses *understanding of all the interactions that happen between raining, evaporation, air currents, temperature gradients and changes*.



# Knowledge Model (Bellinger 1980)

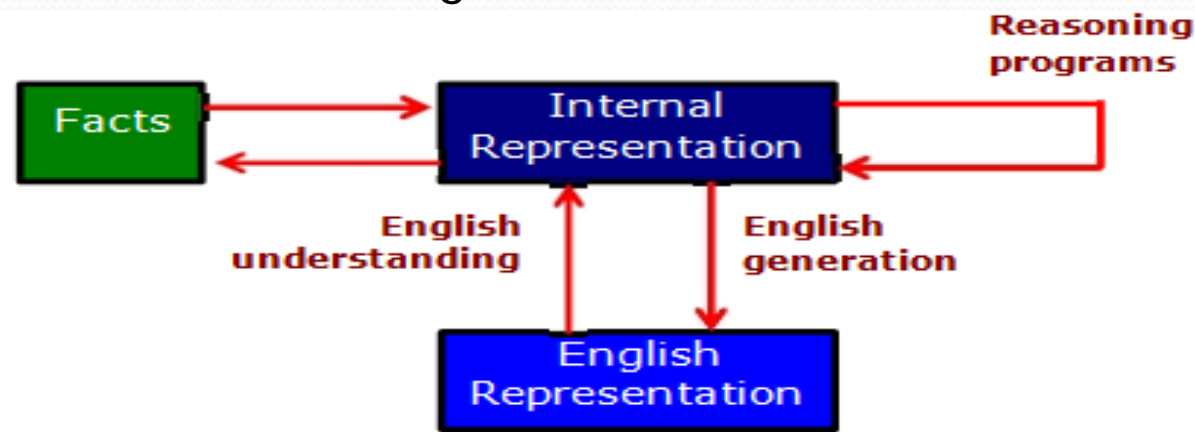
- A knowledge model tells, that as the degree of “*connectedness*” and “*understanding*” increases, we progress from *data* through *information* and *knowledge* to *wisdom*.



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- The **distinctions** between *data*, *information*, *knowledge*, and *wisdom* are **not** very **discrete**.
  - They are more like **shades** of **gray**, rather than black and white (Shedroff, 2001).
  - "*data*" and "*information*" **deal** with the **past**; they are based on the **gathering** of *facts* and **adding context**.
  - "*knowledge*" **deals** with the **present** that **enable** us to **perform**.
  - "*wisdom*" **deals** with the **future**, **acquire vision** for what **will be**, rather than for what is or was.

# Mapping between Facts and Representation

- **Knowledge** is a collection of "*facts*" from some domain.
- We need a **representation** of "*facts*" that can be manipulated by a program.
- **Normal English** is **insufficient**, too **hard** currently for a **computer** program to draw **inferences** in natural languages.
- Thus some **symbolic representation** is necessary.
- Therefore, we must be able to map "*facts to symbols*" and "*symbols to facts*" using **forward** and **backward representation mapping**.
- **Example** : Consider an English sentence





## Facts

- ◆ Spot is a dog
- ◆ dog (Spot)
- ◆  $\forall x : \text{dog}(x) \rightarrow \text{hastail}(x)$

## Representations

A fact represented in *English sentence*

Using *forward mapping function* the above fact is represented in *logic*

A *logical representation* of the fact that "all dogs have tails"

Now using ***deductive mechanism*** we can generate a new representation of object :

- ◆ hastail (Spot)
- ◆ Spot has a tail  
[it is new knowledge]

A new object representation

Using *backward mapping function* to generate English sentence

# Logic

Logic is concerned with the truth of statements about the world.

Generally each statement is either *TRUE* or *FALSE*.

Logic includes : *Syntax* , *Semantics* and *Inference Procedure*.

## ◇ **Syntax** :

Specifies the *symbols* in the *language* about how they can be combined to form *sentences*.

The *facts* about the *world* are *represented* as *sentences* in *logic*.

## ◇ **Semantic** :

Specifies *how* to *assign* a *truth value* to a *sentence* based on its *meaning* in the *world*.

It Specifies what *facts* a *sentence* refers to.

A fact is a *claim* about the *world*, and it may be *TRUE* or *FALSE*.

## ◇ **Inference Procedure** :

Specifies *methods* for *computing* *new sentences* from the *existing sentences*.



# Logic as a KR Language

Logic is a **language** for **reasoning**, a **collection** of **rules** used while doing **logical reasoning**.

Logic is studied as **KR language** in **artificial intelligence**.

- ◇ **Logic** is a **formal system** in which the **formulas** or **sentences** have **true** or **false** values.
- ◇ **Logics** are of different **types** : *Propositional logic*, *Predicate logic*, *Temporal logic*, *Modal logic*, *Description logic* etc;  
They **represent things** and allow **more** or **less** efficient inference.
- ◇ **Propositional logic** and **Predicate logic** are **fundamental to all logic**.
  - **Propositional Logic** is the study of **statements** and their **connectivity**.
  - **Predicate Logic** is the study of **individuals** and their **properties**.



# 2.1 Logic Representation

Logic can be used to represent simple facts.

The facts are claims about the world that are True or False.

To build a Logic-based representation :

- ◇ **User** defines a set of primitive symbols and the associated semantics.
- ◇ **Logic** defines ways of putting symbols together so that user can define legal sentences in the language that represent TRUE facts.
- ◇ **Logic** defines ways of inferring new sentences from existing ones.
- ◇ **Sentences** - either TRUE or false but not both are called propositions.
- ◇ A declarative sentence expresses a statement with a proposition as content;

**example:** the declarative "snow is white" expresses that snow is white;  
further, "snow is white" expresses that snow is white is TRUE.

# Propositional Logic (PL)

- A **proposition** is a sentence, written in a language, that has a truth value (i.e., it is true or false) in a world.
- A **proposition** is built from atomic propositions using logical connectives.
- An **atomic proposition**, (or **atom**), is a Symbol that starts with a lower-case letter.
- an atom is something that is true or false.
- For example:
  - *sunny*
  - *AI\_is\_fun*,
  - *lit\_I<sub>1</sub>*,
  - *live\_outside*



# Propositional Logic (PL)

- A **proposition** is a **statement**, which in English would be a **declarative** sentence.
- Every **proposition** is either **TRUE** or **FALSE** but **not Both**.

## **Examples:**

(a) The sky is blue.

(b) Snow is cold.

(c)  $12 * 12 = 144$

- ‡ A **sentence** is **smallest unit** in **propositional** logic.
- ‡ If **proposition** is true, then **truth value** is "true" .
- ‡ If **proposition** is false, then **truth value** is "false" .



### Example :

Sentence	Truth value	Proposition (Y/N)
"Grass is green"	"true"	Yes
"2 + 5 = 5"	"false"	Yes
"Close the door"	-	No
"Is it hot out side ?"	-	No
"x > 2" where x is variable	-	No (since x is not defined)
"x = x"	-	No

(don't know what is "x" and "=";  
"3 = 3" or "air is equal to air" or  
"Water is equal to water"  
has no meaning)

- Propositions can be built from simpler propositions using logical connectives.
- A **proposition** is either an atomic proposition or a **compound proposition** of the form:
  - $\neg p$  (read "not  $p$ ") --the **negation** of  $p$
  - $p \wedge q$  (read " $p$  and  $q$ ")--the **conjunction** of  $p$  and  $q$
  - $p \vee q$  (read " $p$  or  $q$ ")--the **disjunction** of  $p$  and  $q$
  - $p \rightarrow q$  (read " $p$  implies  $q$ ")--the **implication** of  $q$  from  $p$
  - $p \leftarrow q$  (read " $p$  if  $q$ ")--the **implication** of  $p$  from  $q$
  - $p \leftrightarrow q$  (read " $p$  if and only if  $q$ " or " $p$  is equivalent to  $q$ ")
    - where  $p$  and  $q$  are propositions.

# Propositional Logic Terms

## □ Statement

- *Simple* statements (sentences), TRUE or FALSE, that does **not** contain any other statement as a part, are ***basic propositions***;

## □ Symbols

- lower-case letters, **p**, **q**, **r**, are symbols for simple statements (***basic propositions***).
- *Large*, ***compound*** or ***complex*** statement are constructed from basic propositions by combining them with ***connectives***.



## ❑ Connective or Operator

The **connectives** join simple statements into **compounds**, and joins compounds into **larger compounds**.

**Example of a formula :  $((((a \wedge \neg b) \vee c) \rightarrow d) \leftrightarrow \neg (a \vee c))$**

***Connectives and Symbols in decreasing order of operation priority***

<b>Connective</b>	<b>Symbols</b>					<b>Read as</b>
<b>assertion</b>	<b>P</b>					"p is true"
<b>negation</b>	<b><math>\neg p</math></b>	<b><math>\sim</math></b>	<b>!</b>		<b>NOT</b>	"p is false"
<b>conjunction</b>	<b><math>p \wedge q</math></b>	<b><math>\cdot</math></b>	<b>&amp;&amp;</b>	<b>&amp;</b>	<b>AND</b>	"both p and q are true"
<b>disjunction</b>	<b><math>P \vee q</math></b>	<b>  </b>	<b> </b>		<b>OR</b>	"either p is true, or q is true, or both "
<b>implication</b>	<b><math>p \rightarrow q</math></b>	<b><math>\supset</math></b>	<b><math>\Rightarrow</math></b>		<b>if ..then</b>	"if p is true, then q is true" " p implies q "
<b>equivalence</b>	<b><math>\leftrightarrow</math></b>	<b><math>\equiv</math></b>	<b><math>\Leftrightarrow</math></b>		<b>if and only if</b>	"p and q are either both true or both false"

Note : The propositions and connectives are the basic elements of propositional logic.

## □ Truth Value

- The truth value of a statement is its TRUTH or FALSITY
- Example :

**p** is either *TRUE* or *FALSE*,

**~p** is either *TRUE* or *FALSE*,

**p ∨ q** is either *TRUE* or *FALSE*, and so on.

use "**T**" or "**1**" to mean *TRUE*.

use "**F**" or "**0**" to mean *FALSE*

**Truth table** defining the basic *connectives* :

<b>p</b>	<b>q</b>	<b>¬p</b>	<b>¬q</b>	<b>p ∧ q</b>	<b>p ∨ q</b>	<b>p → q</b>	<b>p ↔ q</b>	<b>q → p</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>
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**p → q** is equivalent to **¬p ∨ q**



## □ Tautologies

A **proposition** that is **always true** is called a "**tautology**". e.g.,  $(P \vee \neg P)$  is always **true** regardless of the truth value of the proposition **P**

## □ Contradictions

A **proposition** that is **always false** is called a "**contradiction**". e.g.,  $(P \wedge \neg P)$  is always **false** regardless of the truth value of the proposition **P**.

## □ Contingencies

A **proposition** is called a "**contingency**", if that proposition is **neither** a **tautology** **nor** a **contradiction**. e.g.,  $(P \vee Q)$  is a **contingency**.

## □ Antecedent, Consequent

These **two** are **parts** of **conditional statements**.

In the conditional statements,  $p \rightarrow q$ , the 1st statement or "**if - clause**" (here **p**) is called **antecedent**, 2nd statement or "**then - clause**" (here **q**) is called **consequent**.

## ❑ Argument

An **argument** is a **demonstration** or a **proof** of some **statements**.

**Example** : "That bird is a crow ; therefore, it's black."

- Any **argument** can be **expressed** as a **compound statement**.
- In logic, an **argument** is a **set** of **one** or **more** meaningful declarative sentences (or "**propositions**") known as the **premise** along with another meaningful declarative sentence (or "**proposition**") known as the **conclusion**.
- **Premise** is a **proposition** which gives **reasons**, **grounds**, or **evidence** for **accepting** some other proposition, called the **conclusion**.
- **Conclusion** is a **proposition**, which is **purported** to be **established** on the **basis** of other propositions (**Premises**).
- Take **all** the **premises**, **conjoin** them, as the **antecedent** of **argument** , and the **conclusion** as the **consequent**.
- This implication statement is :

***If (premise1  $\wedge$  premise2) -> conclusion***