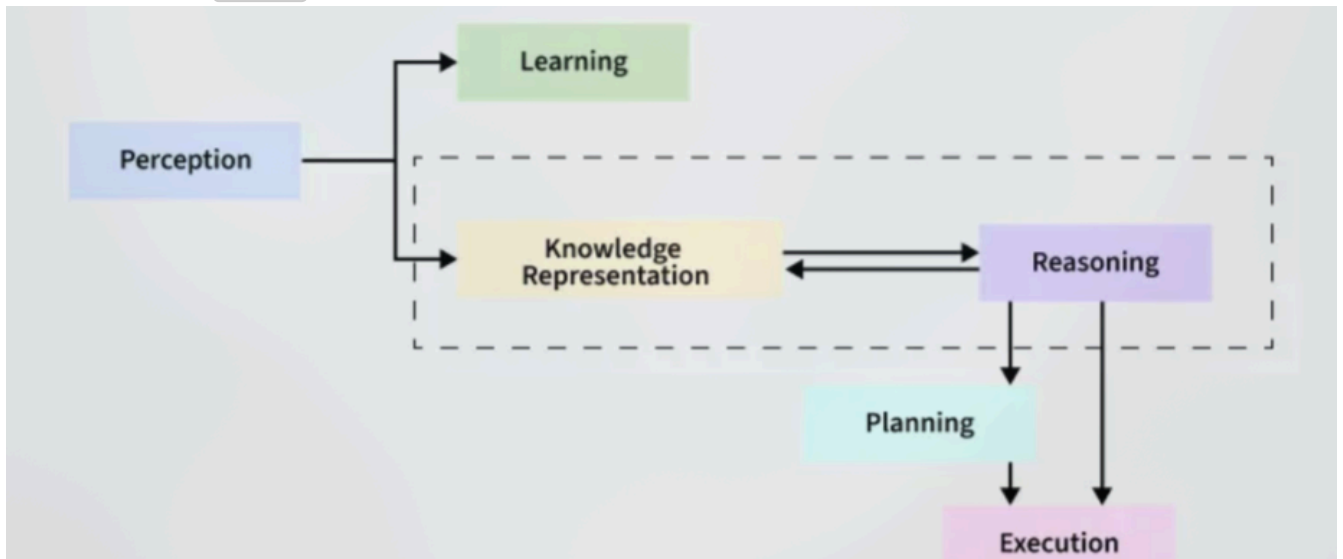


AI UNIT - 2 CONCISE

UNIT 2: Knowledge Representation and Reasoning

1. Knowledge Representation (KR) in AI [PYQ]

- **Definition:** Encoding information about the world into formats AI systems can utilize to solve complex tasks.
- Enables machines to reason, learn, and make decisions by structuring data like human understanding. [FIG] (Perception -> KR -> Reasoning -> Planning -> Execution -> Learning loop)



- Raw data alone \neq intelligence; AI must transform data into **structured knowledge**.
- KR defines formats and methods for organizing information.

2. The Synergy of Knowledge and Intelligence

- Symbiotic relationship:
 - **Knowledge as Foundation:** Provides facts, rules, data (e.g., traffic laws for self-driving cars). Intelligence lacks raw material without it.
 - **Intelligence as Application:** Applies knowledge to solve problems (e.g., robot using physics to navigate).
 - **Interdependence:** Static knowledge can become obsolete without adaptive intelligence. Intelligence without knowledge cannot reason/learn (e.g., AI without medical DB can't diagnose).
 - **Synergy:** Effective AI merges robust knowledge bases (the *what*) with reasoning algorithms (the *how*). (e.g., ChatGPT: language data + transformer models).

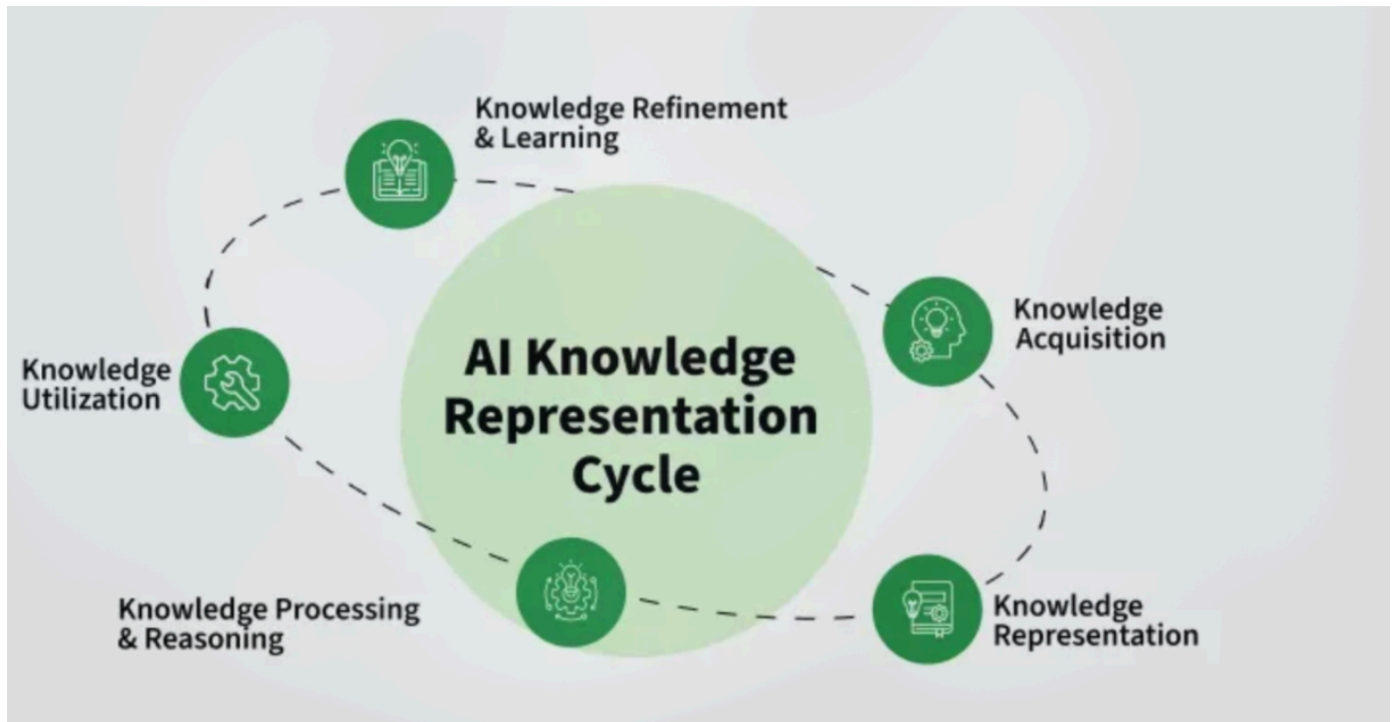
3. Core Methods of Knowledge Representation [PYQ]

- **A. Logic-Based Systems:** [PYQ] Use formal rules; prioritize precision; ideal for deterministic environments.

- **Propositional Logic (PL):** [PYQ]
 - Represents knowledge as declarative statements (propositions) linked by logical operators (AND, OR, NOT).
 - Format: "IF condition THEN conclusion."
 - Simple, but struggles with complex relationships.
- **First-Order Logic (FOL) / Predicate Logic:** [PYQ]
 - Extends PL with variables, quantifiers (\forall , \exists), predicates.
 - Expresses statements like " $\forall x \text{ Mortal}(x)$ ". Supports nuanced reasoning.
 - Demands significant computational resources.
- **B. Structured Representations:** Organize knowledge hierarchically or via networks.
 - **Semantic Networks:** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Nodes (concepts) and edges (relationships, e.g., "Is-A", "Has-Part").
 - Example: "Dog" --(Is-A)--> "Animal".
 - Simplify inheritance reasoning; may lack formal semantics.
 - **Frames:** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Group related attributes (slots) into structured "frames" (e.g., "Vehicle" frame with slots: wheels, engine).
 - Slots can have facets (constraints, default values, procedures).
 - Excel in default reasoning; struggle with exceptions. Supports inheritance.
 - **Ontologies:** [PYQ]
 - Define concepts, hierarchies, relationships within a domain using standards (e.g., OWL).
 - Power semantic search, healthcare diagnostics by standardizing terminology.
- **C. Probabilistic Models:** Handle uncertainty by assigning probabilities to outcomes.
 - **Bayesian Networks:** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs) to model causal relationships.
 - Nodes: variables; Edges: conditional dependencies.
 - Predict likelihood (e.g., equipment failure based on history).
 - **Markov Decision Processes (MDPs):** [FIG]
 - Model sequential decision-making in dynamic environments.
 - Help robotics evaluate potential actions and rewards.
- **D. Distributed Representations:** Leverage neural networks to encode knowledge as numerical vectors (embeddings).
 - **Embeddings:** Convert words, images, entities into dense vectors (e.g., Word2Vec for semantic analysis).

- **Knowledge Graphs:** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Combine graph structures with embeddings to represent entities and relationships.
 - Enhance search by linking related concepts (e.g., Google's Knowledge Graph).

4. The AI Knowledge Cycle [PYQ] [FIG]



- Continuous process: AI systems acquire, process, utilize, and refine knowledge.
 - **1. Knowledge Acquisition:** Gather data (structured DBs, text, images, interactions) via ML, NLP, CV.
 - **2. Knowledge Representation:** Structure acquired knowledge for efficient storage/retrieval using methods above.
 - **3. Knowledge Processing & Reasoning:** Apply logical inference, probabilistic models, deep learning to:
 - Draw conclusions (deductive, inductive).
 - Solve problems (heuristic search, optimization).
 - Adapt (reinforcement learning).
 - **4. Knowledge Utilization:** Apply knowledge to real-world tasks (decision-making, predictions, automation). E.g., virtual assistants, recommendation systems, self-driving cars.
 - **5. Knowledge Refinement & Learning:** Continuously update knowledge base via feedback loops (reinforcement learning, supervised fine-tuning, active learning). Ensures AI evolves.

5. Types of Knowledge in AI [PYQ] [FIG] (Knowledge types diagram)

- **A. Declarative Knowledge (Descriptive / "What"):** [PYQ]
 - Facts and information about the world. Stored in DBs, ontologies, KGs.

- E.g., "Paris is the capital of France." Used by search engines, virtual assistants.
- **B. Procedural Knowledge (Imperative / "How-To"):** [PYQ]
 - Steps/methods to perform tasks. Encoded in rule-based systems, decision trees, ML models.
 - E.g., How to solve a quadratic equation. Used by expert systems, robotics.
- **C. Meta-Knowledge ("Knowledge About Knowledge"):** [PYQ]
 - Knowledge about how information is structured, used, validated.
 - Helps determine reliability, relevance, applicability. Crucial for filtering misinformation.
- **D. Heuristic Knowledge ("Experience-Based"):** [PYQ]
 - Derived from experience, intuition, trial-and-error. Allows educated guesses when exact answers are hard.
 - E.g., Navigation system suggesting alternate route based on past traffic. Used in A* search.
- **E. Common-Sense Knowledge:** [PYQ]
 - Basic understanding of the world humans acquire naturally. Challenging for AI.
 - E.g., "Water is wet," "If you drop something, it will fall." Requires contextual understanding.
 - Researchers use KBs like ConceptNet.
- **F. Domain-Specific Knowledge:**
 - Specialized knowledge for fields like medicine, finance, law. Detailed and structured.
 - E.g., Medical AI uses knowledge of symptoms, diseases.
- **G. Structural Knowledge:**
 - Basic knowledge for problem-solving; describes relationships between concepts (kind-of, part-of, grouping).

6. What to Represent in AI Systems:

- **Objects:** Facts about objects (e.g., Guitars have strings).
- **Events:** Actions occurring in the world.
- **Performance:** Knowledge about how to do things.
- **Meta-knowledge:** Knowledge about what we know.
- **Facts:** Truths about the real world.
- **Knowledge-Base (KB):** Central component of knowledge-based agents; a group of sentences (formal technical term). [PYQ]

7. Approaches to Knowledge Representation (Categorization)

- **A. Simple Relational Knowledge:** [FIG]
 - Uses relational methods (tables: rows/columns) to store facts. Simplest type.
 - Used in database systems. Low opportunity for inference.

- **B. Inheritable Knowledge:** [PYQ] [FIG]

- Knowledge acquired through learning, transferable/inheritable by other AI systems.
- Data stored in a hierarchy of classes. Boxed nodes (objects/values), arrows (pointers).
- Allows faster learning, knowledge transfer across domains.

- **C. Inferential Knowledge:** [PYQ]

- Ability to draw logical conclusions or make predictions from available data.
- Represents knowledge in formal logic.
- Example: `Footballer(Alex)`, $\forall x (\text{Footballer}(x) \rightarrow \text{Athlete}(x))$, therefore `Athlete(Alex)`.

- **D. Procedural Knowledge:** (Covered in "Types of Knowledge")

- Knowledge/instructions to perform a specific task. Often uses IF-THEN rules.

8. Techniques of Knowledge Representation (Implementation Methods)

[PYQ] [FIG]

- **A. Logical Representation:** [PYQ]

- Language with definite rules, deals with propositions, no ambiguity.
- **Syntax:** Rules for constructing legal sentences.
- **Semantics:** Rules for interpreting sentences, assigning meaning.
- Categorized into: Propositional Logic, Predicate Logic.
- Advantages: Performs logical reasoning, basis for programming languages.
- Disadvantages: Restrictions, challenging to work with, may not be natural/efficient for inference.

- **B. Semantic Network Representation:** (Covered in "Core Methods") [PYQ] [FIG]

- **C. Frame Representation:** (Covered in "Core Methods") [PYQ] [FIG]

- **D. Production Rules:** (Covered in Unit 1 - Production Systems) [PYQ] [FIG]

9. Propositional Logic (PL) / Statement Logic [PYQ]

- Simplest form of logic; statements are propositions (declarative, either true or false).
- Also called Boolean logic (works on True/False or 0/1).
- **Syntax:**
 - **Atomic Propositions:** Simple propositions, single symbol (e.g., P, "It is Sunday").
 - **Compound Propositions:** Constructed by combining simpler propositions using logical connectives.

- **Logical Connectives:** [PYQ] [FIG] (Truth Table for each)

For Implication:

P	Q	$P \rightarrow Q$
True	True	True
True	False	False
False	True	True
False	False	True

For Biconditional:

P	Q	$P \leftrightarrow Q$
True	True	True
True	False	False
False	True	False
False	False	True

- **Negation (\neg , NOT):** $\neg P$.
- **Conjunction (\wedge , AND):** $P \wedge Q$ (e.g., "Rohan is intelligent AND hardworking").
- **Disjunction (\vee , OR):** $P \vee Q$ (e.g., "Ritika is a doctor OR engineer").
- **Implication (\rightarrow , IF...THEN):** $P \rightarrow Q$ (e.g., "IF it is raining THEN street is wet").
- **Biconditional (\leftrightarrow , IF AND ONLY IF):** $P \leftrightarrow Q$ (e.g., "IF I am breathing THEN I am alive").
- **Truth Tables:** [PYQ] [FIG] Tabular representation of truth values for all possible combinations of propositions and connectives.
- **Precedence of Connectives:** Parenthesis > Negation > Conjunction > Disjunction > Implication > Biconditional.
- **Key Terms:**
 - **Tautology:** A proposition formula always true.
 - **Contradiction:** A proposition formula always false.
 - **Contingency:** A formula that can be true or false.
- **Limitations of Propositional Logic:** [PYQ]
 - **Limited expressivity:** Cannot represent complex relationships between objects/concepts easily.
 - **Inability to handle quantifiers:** Cannot represent "all" or "some" concisely.
 - **Lack of support for negation (nuanced):** Difficult to represent complex negative statements.

10. Predicate Logic / First-Order Logic (FOL) [PYQ]

- Extends PL; more expressive. Represents objects, properties, relations, quantifiers.
- Also known as First Order Predicate Calculus Logic (FOPL).
- **Basic Components / Elements of FOL Syntax:** [PYQ]
 - **Constants:** Specific objects (e.g., John, Mumbai, 2).
 - **Variables:** Stand for unspecified objects (e.g., x, y, z).

- **Predicates:** Properties of objects or relations between objects; return true/false (e.g., `IsHungry(x)`, `Likes(Alice, Bob)`).
- **Functions:** Map objects to other objects (e.g., `MotherOf(x)`).
- **Connectives:** \wedge , \vee , \neg , \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow (same as PL).
- **Equality (=):** Asserts two terms refer to the same object.
- **Quantifiers:** Specify scope of variables. [PYQ]
 - **Universal Quantifier (\forall , "for all"):** Statement is true for all objects in the domain. (e.g., $\forall x \text{ Human}(x) \rightarrow \text{Mortal}(x)$). Uses implication (\rightarrow).
 - **Existential Quantifier (\exists , "there exists"):** Statement is true for at least one object. (e.g., $\exists x \text{ Boy}(x) \wedge \text{Intelligent}(x)$). Uses conjunction (\wedge).

- **Syntax of FOL:**

- **Terms:** Refer to objects (constants, variables, functions applied to terms).
- **Atomic Sentences:** Predicate symbol followed by a parenthesized list of terms (e.g., `Brothers(Ravi, Ajay)`).
- **Complex Sentences:** Formed by combining atomic sentences with connectives and quantifiers.

- **Free and Bound Variables:**

- **Free Variable:** Occurs outside the scope of its quantifier (e.g., z in $\forall x \exists y P(x, y, z)$).
- **Bound Variable:** Occurs within the scope of its quantifier (e.g., x, y in $\forall x \exists y P(x, y, z)$).

- **Representing INSTANCE and ISA Relationships:** [PYQ] [FIG]

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <code>Man(Marcus).</code> 2. <code>Pompeian(Marcus).</code> 3. $\forall x: \text{Pompeian}(x) \rightarrow \text{Roman}(x).$ 4. <code>ruler(Caesar).</code> 5. $\forall x: \text{Roman}(x) \rightarrow \text{loyalto}(x, \text{Caesar}) \vee \text{hate}(x, \text{Caesar}).$
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Figure: Three ways of representing class membership

- **Instance:** Class membership (e.g., `Man(Marcus)` or `instance(Marcus, Man)`).

- **ISA:** Class inclusion/subclass (e.g., $\forall x \text{ Pompeian}(x) \rightarrow \text{Roman}(x)$ or $\text{isa}(\text{Pompeian}, \text{Roman})$).
- Requires axioms for **isa** (e.g., $\forall x \forall y \forall z \text{ instance}(x,y) \wedge \text{isa}(y,z) \rightarrow \text{instance}(x,z)$).

11. Rules of Inference in Logic [PYQ] [FIG]

- Logical principles to derive conclusions from existing information.
- **Types of Inference Rules:**
 - **Modus Ponens:** If $(P \rightarrow Q)$ and P are true, then Q is true. [PYQ]
 - $((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge P) \Rightarrow Q$
 - **Modus Tollens:** If $(P \rightarrow Q)$ is true and Q is false, then P is false. [PYQ]
 - $((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge \neg Q) \Rightarrow \neg P$
 - **Hypothetical Syllogism:** If $(P \rightarrow Q)$ and $(Q \rightarrow R)$ are true, then $(P \rightarrow R)$ is true. [PYQ]
 - $((P \rightarrow Q) \wedge (Q \rightarrow R)) \Rightarrow (P \rightarrow R)$
 - **Disjunctive Syllogism:** If $(P \vee Q)$ is true and P is false, then Q is true. [PYQ]
 - $((P \vee Q) \wedge \neg P) \Rightarrow Q$
 - **Addition:** If P is true, then $(P \vee Q)$ is true.
 - $P \Rightarrow (P \vee Q)$
 - **Simplification:** If $(P \wedge Q)$ is true, then P is true.
 - $(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow P$
 - **Resolution:** [PYQ] If $(P \vee Q)$ and $(\neg P \vee R)$ are true, then $(Q \vee R)$ is true. Fundamental for automated theorem proving.
 - $((P \vee Q) \wedge (\neg P \vee R)) \Rightarrow (Q \vee R)$
- **Applications of Inference:** NLP, Expert Systems, Robotics, Computer Vision.

12. Unification and Resolution in FOL [PYQ]

- **Unification:** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Process of finding a substitution (assignment of terms to variables) that makes two logical atomic expressions identical (match).
 - Takes two literals, makes them identical. $\text{UNIFY}(\psi_1, \psi_2)$.
 - Substitution denoted by θ .
 - **Most General Unifier (MGU):** The substitution that makes expressions identical and is "least constrained."
 - **Conditions for Unification:**
 - Predicate symbols must be the same.

- Number of arguments must be identical.
 - Fails if a variable needs to be unified with a term containing that same variable (occurs check).
- **Unification Algorithm:** A recursive algorithm to find MGU.
- **Resolution in FOL:** [PYQ] [FIG] (Resolution Graph)
 - Theorem proving technique; proves by contradiction (refutation).
 - Operates on clauses in **Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF)**.
 - **Clause:** A disjunction of literals (e.g., $\neg P \vee Q \vee R$).
 - **CNF:** A conjunction of clauses (e.g., $(A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C)$).
 - **Resolution Inference Rule (for FOL):**
 - Given two clauses $L_1 \vee \dots \vee L_k$ and $M_1 \vee \dots \vee M_n$ containing complementary literals L_i and M_j (i.e., $L_i = \neg M_j$ after unification with MGU θ).
 - The resolvent is $(L_1 \vee \dots \vee L_{i-1} \vee L_{i+1} \vee \dots \vee L_k \vee M_1 \vee \dots \vee M_{j-1} \vee M_{j+1} \vee \dots \vee M_n)\theta$.
 - **Steps for Resolution Proof:**
 1. Convert facts/premises into FOL.
 2. Convert FOL statements into CNF:
 - Eliminate implications (\rightarrow , \leftrightarrow).
 - Move negations (\neg) inwards (De Morgan's laws).
 - Standardize variables apart (rename variables so each quantifier has a unique variable).
 - Skolemize: Eliminate existential quantifiers (replace $\exists x P(x)$ with $P(\text{SkolemConstant})$; replace $\forall y \exists x P(x,y)$ with $\forall y P(\text{SkolemFunction}(y),y)$).
 - Drop universal quantifiers (all variables assumed universally quantified).
 - Distribute \wedge over \vee to get conjunction of disjunctions (clauses).
 3. Negate the statement to be proved (the query/goal). Convert it to CNF and add its clauses to the KB.
 4. Repeatedly apply resolution rule to derive new clauses until an empty clause (contradiction, \perp) is derived, or no more progress can be made.
 5. If empty clause is derived, original (non-negated) query is true.
 - Example: "John likes peanuts" proof. [FIG]

13. Frames in AI: Knowledge Representation and Inheritance [PYQ]

[FIG]

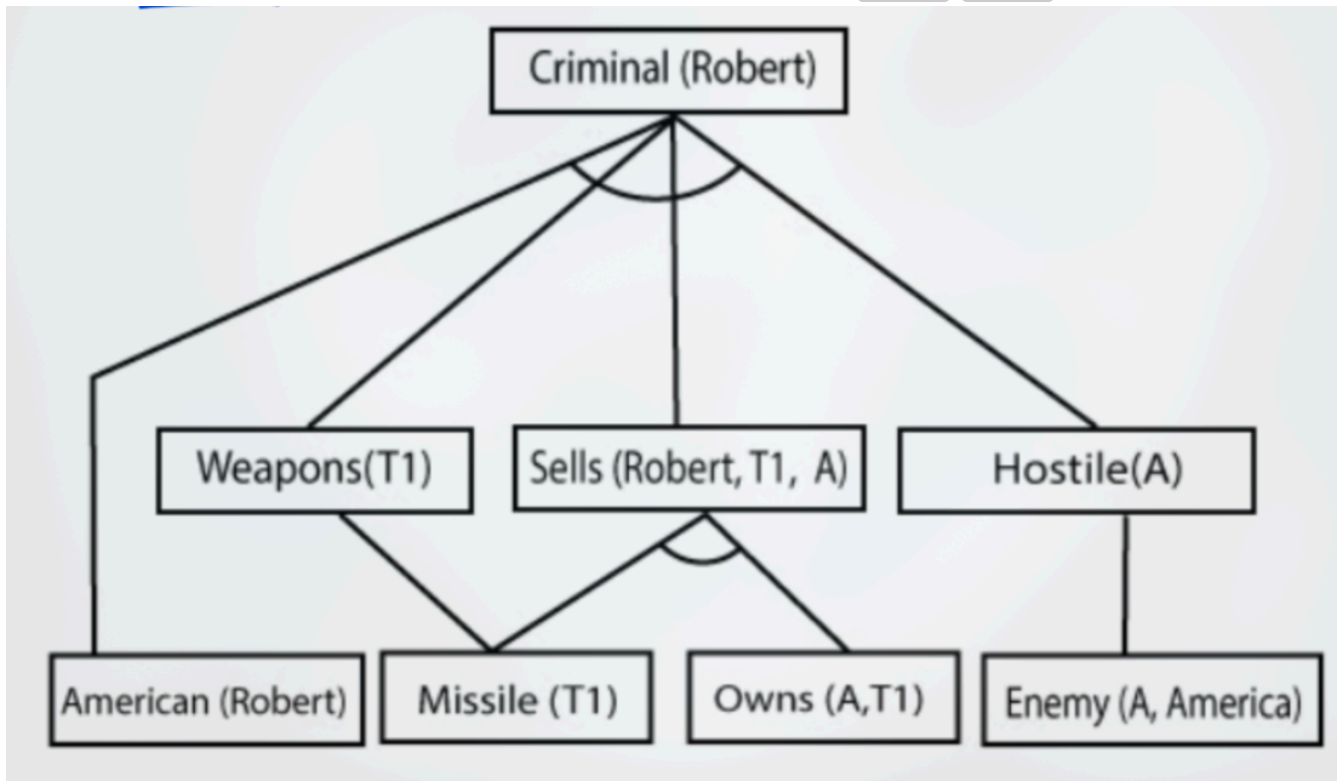
- Data structures to represent stereotypical situations or scenarios (objects, events).
- Introduced by Minsky (1974).
- **Key Components of a Frame:**

- **Frame Name:** Identifies the concept (e.g., "Book", "Person").
- **Slots:** Attributes or properties of the frame (e.g., for "Person": Name, Age, Occupation). [PYQ]
- **Facets:** Additional details or constraints for slots (e.g., for "Age" slot: Type=Integer, Range=0-120, Default Value=30). [PYQ]
- **Default Values:** Predefined values for slots if not specified.
- **Procedures (Demons/Methods):** Functions associated with frames.
 - *IF-NEEDED*: Executed when a slot value is required but not present.
 - *IF-ADDED*: Executed when a value is added to a slot.
 - *IF-REMOVED*: Executed when a value is removed from a slot.
- **Frame Inheritance:** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Allows a child frame to inherit attributes/properties from a parent frame, creating a hierarchy.
 - **Parent Frame:** Frame from which attributes are inherited.
 - **Child Frame:** Frame that inherits; can add new attributes or **override** inherited ones.
 - **Inheritance Hierarchy:** Tree-like structure of frames.
 - **Extension:** Adding new attributes in a child frame.
- **Applications of Frames:** NLP (context understanding), Expert Systems (domain knowledge), Robotics (object properties), Cognitive Modeling.
- **Advantages:** Organized knowledge, flexibility, reusability.
- **Challenges:** Complexity, context sensitivity, scalability.
- **Frames vs. Ontologies:** [PYQ]
 - **Frames:** Represent specific, context-dependent scenarios; less formal; flexible.
 - **Ontologies:** Formal, standardized representation of knowledge across domains; ensure consistency; use languages like OWL.

14. Forward and Backward Chaining [PYQ] [FIG]

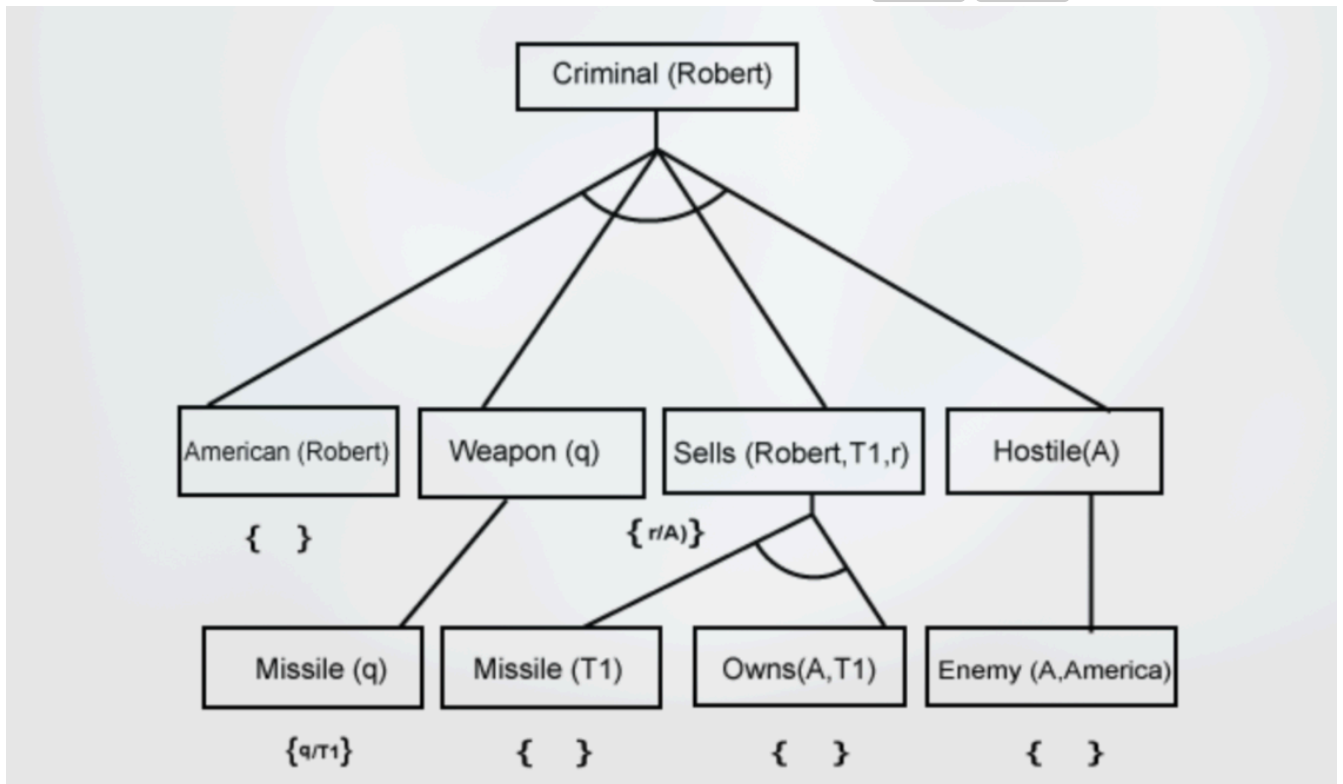
- Inference engine modes for rule-based systems (often using definite clauses).
- **Horn Clause:** A clause (disjunction of literals) with *at most one* positive literal.
- **Definite Clause:** A Horn clause with *exactly one* positive literal. (e.g., $(\neg P \vee \neg Q \vee R)$ which is $(P \wedge Q) \rightarrow R$).

- A. Forward Chaining (Data-Driven Reasoning / Bottom-Up): [PYQ] [FIG]



- Starts with known facts (atomic sentences in KB).
- Applies inference rules (Modus Ponens) in the forward direction.
- If a rule's premises are satisfied by known facts, its conclusion is added to the KB as a new fact.
- Process repeats until the goal is reached or no new facts can be derived.
- **Properties:** Down-up approach, data-driven.
- **Applications:** Planning, design, monitoring, diagnosis, classification.
- Uses Breadth-First Search strategy.

- **B. Backward Chaining (Goal-Driven Reasoning / Top-Down):** [PYQ] [FIG]



- Starts with the goal to be proven.
 - Finds rules whose conclusion matches the current goal (or sub-goal).
 - The premises of such rules become new sub-goals.
 - Works backward until all sub-goals are satisfied by known facts in the KB.
 - **Properties:** Top-down approach, goal-driven.
 - **Applications:** Classification, diagnosis, question answering.
 - Uses Depth-First Search strategy.
- **Difference between Forward and Backward Chaining:** [PYQ]
 - **Starting Point:** FC (facts) vs. BC (goal).
 - **Direction:** FC (premises to conclusion) vs. BC (conclusion to premises).
 - **Driven by:** FC (data) vs. BC (goal).
 - **Search Strategy:** FC (often BFS-like) vs. BC (often DFS-like).
 - **Efficiency:** FC can be exhaustive; BC can be more focused if goal is specific.

15. Reasoning in Artificial Intelligence [PYQ]

- Mental process of deriving logical conclusions and making predictions from available knowledge, facts, beliefs. Inferring facts from existing data.
- **Types of Reasoning:** [PYQ]
 - **A. Deductive Reasoning (Top-Down):** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Deducing new information from logically related known information.
 - Argument's conclusion *must be true* if premises are true. (Valid reasoning).

- General premises → Specific conclusion.
- Example: Premise 1: All humans eat veggies. Premise 2: Suresh is human. Conclusion: Suresh eats veggies.
- **B. Inductive Reasoning (Bottom-Up):** [PYQ] [FIG]
 - Arriving at a conclusion (generalization) using a limited set of specific facts/observations.
 - Premises provide *probable support* for the conclusion; truth of premises does not guarantee truth of conclusion.
 - Specific facts/data → General statement.
 - Example: Premise: All pigeons seen in the zoo are white. Conclusion: All pigeons are white.
- **C. Abductive Reasoning:** [PYQ]
 - Finding the *most likely explanation* or conclusion for single/multiple observations.
 - Form of logical inference; premises do not guarantee the conclusion.
 - Example: Implication: Cricket ground is wet IF it is raining. Axiom: Cricket ground is wet. Conclusion: It IS raining (most likely).
- **D. Common Sense Reasoning:** [PYQ]
 - Informal reasoning gained through experiences. Simulates human presumptions about everyday events.
 - Relies on good judgment, heuristic knowledge/rules.
 - Example: "One person can be at one place at a time."
- **E. Monotonic Reasoning:** [PYQ]
 - Once a conclusion is taken, it remains the same even if new information is added to KB.
 - Adding knowledge *does not decrease* the set of propositions that can be derived.
 - Used in conventional reasoning systems, logic-based systems. Theorem proving is an example.
 - Advantages: Old proofs remain valid.
 - Disadvantages: Cannot represent real-world scenarios (facts change), cannot express hypothesis knowledge easily.
- **F. Non-monotonic Reasoning:** [PYQ]
 - Some conclusions may be invalidated if more information is added to KB.
 - Deals with incomplete and uncertain models.
 - Example: KB: {Birds can fly, Penguins cannot fly, Pitty is a bird}. Conclusion: Pitty can fly. Add: "Pitty is a penguin." New Conclusion: Pitty cannot fly (invalidates previous).
 - Advantages: Useful for real-world systems (robot navigation), can use probabilistic facts/make assumptions.
 - Disadvantages: Old facts may be invalidated, not used for theorem proving in the classical sense.

16. Probabilistic Reasoning & Uncertainty [PYQ]

- **Uncertainty:** Situations where we are not sure about the truth of predicates or statements.
- **Causes of Uncertainty:** Unreliable sources, experimental errors, equipment fault, temperature variation, climate change.
- **Probabilistic Reasoning:** [PYQ]
 - Knowledge representation applying probability theory to indicate uncertainty in knowledge.
 - Combines probability theory with logic.
 - Handles uncertainty due to "laziness" (not modeling all factors) or "ignorance" (lack of complete knowledge).
- **Need for Probabilistic Reasoning in AI:**
 - When there are unpredictable outcomes.
 - When predicate specifications/possibilities become too large.
 - When unknown errors occur during experiments.
- **Methods to Solve Problems with Uncertain Knowledge:**
 - **Bayes' Rule / Bayesian Statistics:** [PYQ] (Often covered in more detail later).
 - $P(H|E) = [P(E|H) * P(H)] / P(E)$
 - $P(H|E)$: Posterior probability of hypothesis H given evidence E.
 - $P(E|H)$: Likelihood of evidence E given hypothesis H.
 - $P(H)$: Prior probability of hypothesis H.
 - $P(E)$: Probability of evidence E.