

Artificial intelligence

“AI” redirects here. For other uses, see [AI](#) and [Artificial intelligence](#) (disambiguation).

Artificial intelligence (**AI**) is [intelligence](#) exhibited by [machines](#). In [computer science](#), the field of AI research defines itself as the study of “[intelligent agents](#)”: any device that perceives its environment and takes actions that maximize its chance of success at some goal.^[1] Colloquially, the term “artificial intelligence” is applied when a machine mimics “cognitive” functions that humans associate with other [human minds](#), such as “[learning](#)” and “[problem solving](#)” (known as [Machine Learning](#)).^[2] As machines become increasingly capable, mental facilities once thought to require intelligence are removed from the definition. For instance, [optical character recognition](#) is no longer perceived as an example of “artificial intelligence”, having become a routine technology.^[3] Capabilities currently classified as AI include successfully understanding [human speech](#),^[4] competing at a high level in strategic game systems (such as [Chess](#) and [Go](#)^[5]), self-driving cars, intelligent routing in content delivery networks, and interpreting complex data.

AI research is divided into subfields^[6] that focus on specific problems or on specific approaches or on the use of a particular tool or towards satisfying particular applications.

The central problems (or goals) of AI research include reasoning, knowledge, planning, learning, natural language processing (communication), perception and the ability to move and manipulate objects.^[7] General intelligence is among the field’s long-term goals.^[8] Approaches include statistical methods, computational intelligence, and traditional symbolic AI. Many tools are used in AI, including versions of search and mathematical optimization, logic, methods based on probability and economics. The AI field draws upon computer science, mathematics, psychology, linguistics, philosophy, neuroscience and artificial psychology.

The field was founded on the claim that human intelligence “can be so precisely described that a machine can be made to simulate it”.^[9] This raises philosophical arguments about the nature of the mind and the ethics of creating artificial beings endowed with human-like intelligence, issues which have been explored by myth, fiction and philosophy since antiquity.^[10] Some people also consider AI a danger to humanity if it progresses unabatedly.^[11] Attempts to create artificial intelligence have experienced many setbacks, including the ALPAC

report of 1966, the abandonment of perceptrons in 1970, the Lighthill Report of 1973, the second AI winter 1987–1993 and the collapse of the Lisp machine market in 1987.

In the twenty-first century, AI techniques, both “hard” and “soft”, have experienced a resurgence following concurrent advances in computer power, sizes of training sets, and theoretical understanding, and AI techniques have become an essential part of the technology industry, helping to solve many challenging problems in computer science.^[12] Recent advancements in AI, and specifically in machine learning, have contributed to the growth of Autonomous Things such as drones and self-driving cars, becoming the main driver of innovation in the automotive industry.

1 History

Main articles: [History of artificial intelligence](#) and [Timeline of artificial intelligence](#)

While thought-capable artificial beings appeared as storytelling devices in antiquity,^[13] the idea of actually trying to build a machine to perform useful reasoning may have begun with Ramon Llull (c. 1300 CE). With his Calculus ratiocinator, Gottfried Leibniz extended the concept of the calculating machine (Wilhelm Schickard engineered the first one around 1623), intending to perform operations on concepts rather than numbers.^[14] Since the 19th century, artificial beings are common in fiction, as in Mary Shelley’s *Frankenstein* or Karel Čapek’s *R.U.R. (Rossum’s Universal Robots)*.^[15]

The study of mechanical or “formal” reasoning began with philosophers and mathematicians in antiquity. In the 19th century, George Boole refined those ideas into propositional logic and Gottlob Frege developed a notational system for mechanical reasoning (a “*predicate calculus*”).^[16] Around the 1940s, Alan Turing’s theory of computation suggested that a machine, by shuffling symbols as simple as “0” and “1”, could simulate any conceivable act of mathematical deduction. This insight, that digital computers can simulate any process of formal reasoning, is known as the Church–Turing thesis.^[17] Along with concurrent discoveries in neurology, information theory and cybernetics, this led researchers to consider the possibility of building an electronic brain.^[18] The first work that is now generally recognized as AI was McCulloch

and Pitts' 1943 formal design for Turing-complete “artificial neurons”.^[14]

The field of AI research was “born”^[19] at a conference at Dartmouth College in 1956.^[20] Attendees Allen Newell (CMU), Herbert Simon (CMU), John McCarthy (MIT), Marvin Minsky (MIT) and Arthur Samuel (IBM) became the founders and leaders of AI research.^[21] At the conference, Newell and Simon, together with programmer J. C. Shaw (RAND), presented the first true artificial intelligence program, the *Logic Theorist*. This spurred tremendous research in the domain.^[22] computers were winning at checkers, solving word problems in algebra, proving logical theorems and speaking English.^[23] By the middle of the 1960s, research in the U.S. was heavily funded by the *Department of Defense*^[24] and laboratories had been established around the world.^[25] AI's founders were optimistic about the future: Herbert Simon predicted, “machines will be capable, within twenty years, of doing any work a man can do.” Marvin Minsky agreed, writing, “within a generation ... the problem of creating 'artificial intelligence' will substantially be solved.”^[26]

They failed to recognize the difficulty of some of the remaining tasks. Progress slowed and in 1974, in response to the criticism of Sir James Lighthill^[27] and ongoing pressure from the US Congress to fund more productive projects, both the U.S. and British governments cut off exploratory research in AI. The next few years would later be called an “AI winter”,^[28] a period when funding for AI projects was hard to find.

In the early 1980s, AI research was revived by the commercial success of *expert systems*,^[29] a form of AI program that simulated the knowledge and analytical skills of human experts. By 1985 the market for AI had reached over a billion dollars. At the same time, Japan's *fifth generation computer* project inspired the U.S and British governments to restore funding for academic research.^[30] However, beginning with the collapse of the *Lisp Machine* market in 1987, AI once again fell into disrepute, and a second, longer-lasting hiatus began.^[31]

In the late 1990s and early 21st century, AI began to be used for logistics, *data mining*, *medical diagnosis* and other areas.^[12] The success was due to increasing computational power (see *Moore's law*), greater emphasis on solving specific problems, new ties between AI and other fields and a commitment by researchers to mathematical methods and scientific standards.^[32] *Deep Blue* became the first computer chess-playing system to beat a reigning world chess champion, Garry Kasparov on 11 May 1997.^[33]

Advanced statistical techniques (loosely known as *deep learning*), access to large amounts of data and faster computers enabled advances in *machine learning* and perception.^[34] By the mid 2010s, machine learning applications were used throughout the world.^[35] In a *Jeopardy!* quiz show exhibition match, IBM's question answering system, Watson, defeated the two greatest Jeopardy

champions, Brad Rutter and Ken Jennings, by a significant margin.^[36] The *Kinect*, which provides a 3D body-motion interface for the Xbox 360 and the Xbox One use algorithms that emerged from lengthy AI research^[37] as do intelligent personal assistants in smartphones.^[38] In March 2016, AlphaGo won 4 out of 5 games of Go in a match with Go champion Lee Sedol, becoming the first computer Go-playing system to beat a professional Go player without handicaps.^{[5][39]}

According to Bloomberg's Jack Clark, 2015 was a landmark year for artificial intelligence, with the number of software projects that use AI within Google increasing from a “sporadic usage” in 2012 to more than 2,700 projects. Clark also presents factual data indicating that error rates in image processing tasks have fallen significantly since 2011.^[40] He attributes this to an increase in affordable *neural networks*, due to a rise in cloud computing infrastructure and to an increase in research tools and datasets. Other cited examples include Microsoft's development of a Skype system that can automatically translate from one language to another and Facebook's system that can describe images to blind people.^[40]

2 Goals

The overall research goal of artificial intelligence is to create technology that allows computers and machines to function in an intelligent manner. The general problem of simulating (or creating) intelligence has been broken down into sub-problems. These consist of particular traits or capabilities that researchers expect an intelligent system to display. The traits described below have received the most attention.^[7]

Erik Sandwell emphasizes planning and learning that is relevant and applicable to the given situation.^[41]

2.1 Reasoning, problem solving

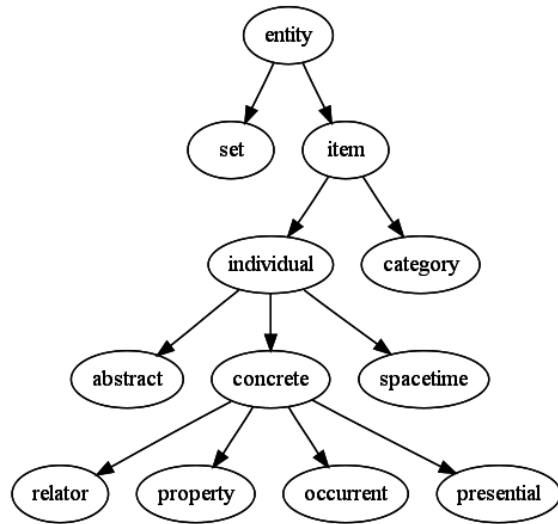
Early researchers developed algorithms that imitated step-by-step reasoning that humans use when they solve puzzles or make logical deductions (reason).^[42] By the late 1980s and 1990s, AI research had developed methods for dealing with *uncertain* or incomplete information, employing concepts from *probability* and *economics*.^[43]

For difficult problems, algorithms can require enormous computational resources—most experience a “combinatorial explosion”: the amount of memory or computer time required becomes astronomical for problems of a certain size. The search for more efficient problem-solving algorithms is a high priority.^[44]

Human beings ordinarily use fast, intuitive judgments rather than step-by-step deduction that early AI research was able to model.^[45] AI has progressed using “sub-symbolic” problem solving: embodied agent

approaches emphasize the importance of **sensorimotor** skills to higher reasoning; **neural net** research attempts to simulate the structures inside the brain that give rise to this skill; **statistical approaches to AI** mimic the human ability.

2.2 Knowledge representation



An ontology represents knowledge as a set of concepts within a domain and the relationships between those concepts.

Main articles: **Knowledge representation** and **Commonsense knowledge**

Knowledge representation^[46] and knowledge engineering^[47] are central to AI research. Many of the problems machines are expected to solve will require extensive knowledge about the world. Among the things that AI needs to represent are: objects, properties, categories and relations between objects;^[48] situations, events, states and time;^[49] causes and effects;^[50] knowledge about knowledge (what we know about what other people know);^[51] and many other, less well researched domains. A representation of “what exists” is an **ontology**: the set of objects, relations, concepts and so on that the machine knows about. The most general are called **upper ontologies**, which attempt to provide a foundation for all other knowledge.^[52]

Among the most difficult problems in knowledge representation are:

Default reasoning and the qualification problem

Many of the things people know take the form of “working assumptions”. For example, if a bird comes up in conversation, people typically picture an animal that is fist sized, sings, and flies. None of these things are true about all birds. John McCarthy identified this problem in 1969^[53] as the qualification problem: for any commonsense rule

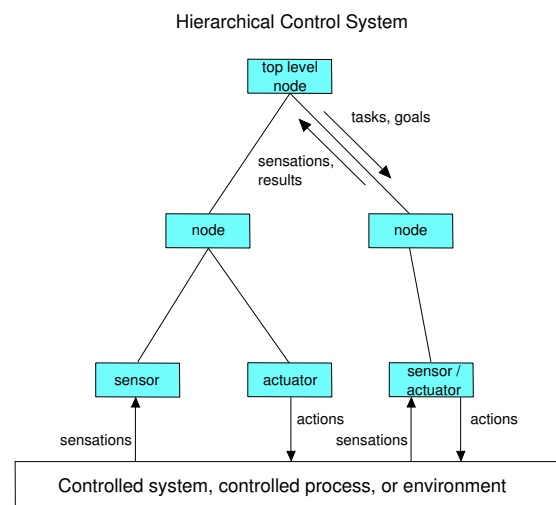
that AI researchers care to represent, there tend to be a huge number of exceptions. Almost nothing is simply true or false in the way that abstract logic requires. AI research has explored a number of solutions to this problem.^[54]

The breadth of commonsense knowledge The number of atomic facts that the average person knows is very large. Research projects that attempt to build a complete knowledge base of **commonsense knowledge** (e.g., Cyc) require enormous amounts of laborious **ontological engineering**—they must be built, by hand, one complicated concept at a time.^[55] A major goal is to have the computer understand enough concepts to be able to learn by reading from sources like the Internet, and thus be able to add to its own ontology.

The subsymbolic form of some commonsense knowledge

Much of what people know is not represented as “facts” or “statements” that they could express verbally. For example, a chess master will avoid a particular chess position because it “feels too exposed”^[56] or an art critic can take one look at a statue and realize that it is a fake.^[57] These are intuitions or tendencies that are represented in the brain non-consciously and sub-symbolically.^[58] Knowledge like this informs, supports and provides a context for symbolic, conscious knowledge. As with the related problem of sub-symbolic reasoning, it is hoped that **situated AI**, **computational intelligence**, or **statistical AI** will provide ways to represent this kind of knowledge.^[58]

2.3 Planning



A hierarchical control system is a form of control system in which a set of devices and governing software is arranged in a hierarchy.

Main article: [Automated planning and scheduling](#)

Intelligent agents must be able to set goals and achieve them.^[59] They need a way to visualize the future (they must have a representation of the state of the world and be able to make predictions about how their actions will change it) and be able to make choices that maximize the utility (or “value”) of the available choices.^[60]

In classical planning problems, the agent can assume that it is the only thing acting on the world and it can be certain what the consequences of its actions may be.^[61] However, if the agent is not the only actor, it must periodically ascertain whether the world matches its predictions and it must change its plan as this becomes necessary, requiring the agent to reason under uncertainty.^[62]

Multi-agent planning uses the cooperation and competition of many agents to achieve a given goal. Emergent behavior such as this is used by evolutionary algorithms and swarm intelligence.^[63]

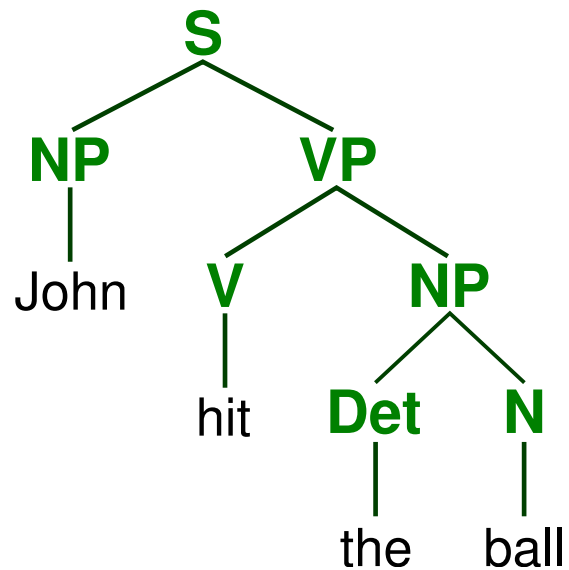
2.4 Learning

Main article: [Machine learning](#)

Machine learning is the study of computer algorithms that improve automatically through experience^{[64][65]} and has been central to AI research since the field’s inception.^[66]

Unsupervised learning is the ability to find patterns in a stream of input. Supervised learning includes both classification and numerical regression. Classification is used to determine what category something belongs in, after seeing a number of examples of things from several categories. Regression is the attempt to produce a function that describes the relationship between inputs and outputs and predicts how the outputs should change as the inputs change. In reinforcement learning^[67] the agent is rewarded for good responses and punished for bad ones. The agent uses this sequence of rewards and punishments to form a strategy for operating in its problem space. These three types of learning can be analyzed in terms of decision theory, using concepts like utility. The mathematical analysis of machine learning algorithms and their performance is a branch of theoretical computer science known as computational learning theory.^[68]

Within developmental robotics, developmental learning approaches were elaborated for lifelong cumulative acquisition of repertoires of novel skills by a robot, through autonomous self-exploration and social interaction with human teachers, and using guidance mechanisms such as active learning, maturation, motor synergies, and imitation.^{[69][70][71][72]}



A parse tree represents the syntactic structure of a sentence according to some formal grammar.

2.5 Natural language processing

Main article: [Natural language processing](#)

Natural language processing^[73] gives machines the ability to read and understand the languages that humans speak. A sufficiently powerful natural language processing system would enable natural language user interfaces and the acquisition of knowledge directly from human-written sources, such as newswire texts. Some straightforward applications of natural language processing include information retrieval, text mining, question answering^[74] and machine translation.^[75]

A common method of processing and extracting meaning from natural language is through semantic indexing. Increases in processing speeds and the drop in the cost of data storage makes indexing large volumes of abstractions of the user’s input much more efficient.

2.6 Perception

Main articles: [Machine perception](#), [Computer vision](#), and [Speech recognition](#)

Machine perception^[76] is the ability to use input from sensors (such as cameras, microphones, tactile sensors, sonar and others more exotic) to deduce aspects of the world. Computer vision^[77] is the ability to analyze visual input. A few selected subproblems are speech recognition,^[78] facial recognition and object recognition.^[79]

2.7 Motion and manipulation

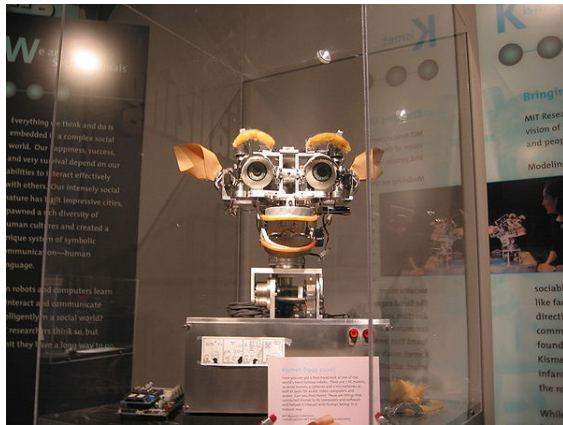
Main article: [Robotics](#)

The field of [robotics](#)^[80] is closely related to AI. Intelligence is required for robots to be able to handle such tasks as [object manipulation](#)^[81] and [navigation](#), with sub-problems of [localization](#) (knowing where you are, or finding out where other things are), [mapping](#) (learning what is around you, building a map of the environment), and [motion planning](#) (figuring out how to get there) or [path planning](#) (going from one point in space to another point, which may involve compliant motion – where the robot moves while maintaining physical contact with an object).^{[82][83]}

2.8 Social intelligence

Main article: [Affective computing](#)

Affective computing is the study and development of



Kismet, a robot with rudimentary social skills^[84]

systems and devices that can recognize, interpret, process, and simulate human [affects](#).^{[85][86]} It is an interdisciplinary field spanning [computer sciences](#), [psychology](#), and [cognitive science](#).^[87] While the origins of the field may be traced as far back as to early philosophical inquiries into [emotion](#),^[88] the more modern branch of computer science originated with [Rosalind Picard's](#) 1995 paper^[89] on [affective computing](#).^{[90][91]} A motivation for the research is the ability to simulate [empathy](#). The machine should interpret the emotional state of humans and adapt its behaviour to them, giving an appropriate response for those emotions.

Emotion and social skills^[92] play two roles for an intelligent agent. First, it must be able to predict the actions of others, by understanding their motives and emotional states. (This involves elements of [game theory](#), [decision theory](#), as well as the ability to model human emotions and the perceptual skills to detect emotions.) Also, in an effort to facilitate [human-computer interaction](#), an intelligent machine might want to be able to *display* emotions—

even if it does not actually experience them itself—in order to appear sensitive to the emotional dynamics of human interaction.

2.9 Creativity

Main article: [Computational creativity](#)

A sub-field of AI addresses [creativity](#) both theoretically (from a philosophical and psychological perspective) and practically (via specific implementations of systems that generate outputs that can be considered creative, or systems that identify and assess creativity). Related areas of computational research are [Artificial intuition](#) and [Artificial thinking](#).

2.10 General intelligence

Main articles: [Artificial general intelligence](#) and [AI-complete](#)

Many researchers think that their work will eventually be incorporated into a machine with [artificial general intelligence](#), combining all the skills above and exceeding human abilities at most or all of them.^{[8][93]} A few believe that [anthropomorphic](#) features like [artificial consciousness](#) or an [artificial brain](#) may be required for such a project.^{[94][95]}

Many of the problems above may require general intelligence to be considered solved. For example, even a straightforward, specific task like [machine translation](#) requires that the machine read and write in both languages (NLP), follow the author's argument ([reason](#)), know what is being talked about ([knowledge](#)), and faithfully reproduce the author's intention ([social intelligence](#)). A problem like [machine translation](#) is considered "AI-complete". In order to reach human-level performance for machines, one must solve all the problems.^[96]

3 Approaches

There is no established unifying theory or [paradigm](#) that guides AI research. Researchers disagree about many issues.^[97] A few of the most long standing questions that have remained unanswered are these: should artificial intelligence simulate natural intelligence by studying [psychology](#) or [neurology](#)? Or is [human biology](#) as irrelevant to AI research as [bird biology](#) is to [aeronautical engineering](#)?^[98] Can intelligent behavior be described using simple, elegant principles (such as [logic](#) or [optimization](#))? Or does it necessarily require solving a large number of completely unrelated problems?^[99] Can intelligence be reproduced using high-level symbols, similar to words and ideas? Or does it require “sub-symbolic”

processing?^[100] John Haugeland, who coined the term GOF AI (Good Old-Fashioned Artificial Intelligence), also proposed that AI should more properly be referred to as *synthetic intelligence*,^[101] a term which has since been adopted by some non-GOF AI researchers.^{[102][103]}

Stuart Shapiro divides AI research into three approaches, which he calls computational psychology, computational philosophy, and computer science. Computational psychology is used to make computer programs that mimic human behavior.^[104] Computational philosophy, is used to develop an adaptive, free-flowing computer mind.^[104] Implementing computer science serves the goal of creating computers that can perform tasks that only people could previously accomplish.^[104] Together, the humanesque behavior, mind, and actions make up artificial intelligence.

3.1 Cybernetics and brain simulation

Main articles: *Cybernetics* and *Computational neuroscience*

In the 1940s and 1950s, a number of researchers explored the connection between *neurology*, *information theory*, and *cybernetics*. Some of them built machines that used electronic networks to exhibit rudimentary intelligence, such as W. Grey Walter's *turtles* and the Johns Hopkins *Beast*. Many of these researchers gathered for meetings of the Teleological Society at *Princeton University* and the *Ratio Club* in England.^[18] By 1960, this approach was largely abandoned, although elements of it would be revived in the 1980s.

3.2 Symbolic

Main article: *Symbolic AI*

When access to digital computers became possible in the middle 1950s, AI research began to explore the possibility that human intelligence could be reduced to symbol manipulation. The research was centered in three institutions: *Carnegie Mellon University*, *Stanford* and *MIT*, and each one developed its own style of research. John Haugeland named these approaches to AI "good old fashioned AI" or "GOF AI".^[105] During the 1960s, symbolic approaches had achieved great success at simulating high-level thinking in small demonstration programs. Approaches based on *cybernetics* or *neural networks* were abandoned or pushed into the background.^[106] Researchers in the 1960s and the 1970s were convinced that symbolic approaches would eventually succeed in creating a machine with *artificial general intelligence* and considered this the goal of their field.

Cognitive simulation Economist *Herbert Simon* and *Allen Newell* studied human problem-solving skills

and attempted to formalize them, and their work laid the foundations of the field of artificial intelligence, as well as *cognitive science*, *operations research* and *management science*. Their research team used the results of *psychological* experiments to develop programs that simulated the techniques that people used to solve problems. This tradition, centered at *Carnegie Mellon University* would eventually culminate in the development of the *Soar* architecture in the middle 1980s.^{[107][108]}

Logic-based Unlike *Newell* and *Simon*, *John McCarthy* felt that machines did not need to simulate human thought, but should instead try to find the essence of abstract reasoning and problem solving, regardless of whether people used the same algorithms.^[98] His laboratory at *Stanford* (*SAIL*) focused on using formal logic to solve a wide variety of problems, including knowledge representation, planning and learning.^[109] Logic was also the focus of the work at the *University of Edinburgh* and elsewhere in Europe which led to the development of the programming language *Prolog* and the science of logic programming.^[110]

"Anti-logic" or "scruffy" Researchers at *MIT* (such as *Marvin Minsky* and *Seymour Papert*)^[111] found that solving difficult problems in vision and *natural language processing* required ad-hoc solutions – they argued that there was no simple and general principle (like logic) that would capture all the aspects of intelligent behavior. *Roger Schank* described their "anti-logic" approaches as "scruffy" (as opposed to the "neat" paradigms at *CMU* and *Stanford*).^[99] Commonsense knowledge bases (such as *Doug Lenat's Cyc*) are an example of "scruffy" AI, since they must be built by hand, one complicated concept at a time.^[112]

Knowledge-based When computers with large memories became available around 1970, researchers from all three traditions began to build knowledge into AI applications.^[113] This "knowledge revolution" led to the development and deployment of *expert systems* (introduced by *Edward Feigenbaum*), the first truly successful form of AI software.^[29] The knowledge revolution was also driven by the realization that enormous amounts of knowledge would be required by many simple AI applications.

3.3 Sub-symbolic

By the 1980s progress in symbolic AI seemed to stall and many believed that symbolic systems would never be able to imitate all the processes of human cognition, especially *perception*, *robotics*, *learning* and *pattern recog-*

dition. A number of researchers began to look into “sub-symbolic” approaches to specific AI problems.^[100] Sub-symbolic methods manage to approach intelligence without specific representations of knowledge.

Bottom-up, embodied, situated, behavior-based or nouvelle AI

Researchers from the related field of **robotics**, such as **Rodney Brooks**, rejected symbolic AI and focused on the basic engineering problems that would allow robots to move and survive.^[114] Their work revived the non-symbolic viewpoint of the early **cybernetics** researchers of the 1950s and reintroduced the use of **control theory** in AI. This coincided with the development of the **embodied mind thesis** in the related field of **cognitive science**: the idea that aspects of the body (such as movement, perception and visualization) are required for higher intelligence.

Computational intelligence and soft computing

Interest in **neural networks** and “connectionism” was revived by **David Rumelhart** and others in the middle of 1980s.^[115] Neural networks are an example of **soft computing** --- they are solutions to problems which cannot be solved with complete logical certainty, and where an approximate solution is often sufficient. Other soft computing approaches to AI include **fuzzy systems**, **evolutionary computation** and many statistical tools. The application of soft computing to AI is studied collectively by the emerging discipline of **computational intelligence**.^[116]

3.4 Statistical

In the 1990s, AI researchers developed sophisticated mathematical tools to solve specific subproblems. These tools are truly **scientific**, in the sense that their results are both measurable and verifiable, and they have been responsible for many of AI’s recent successes. The shared mathematical language has also permitted a high level of collaboration with more established fields (like **mathematics**, **economics** or **operations research**). **Stuart Russell** and **Peter Norvig** describe this movement as nothing less than a “revolution” and “the victory of the neats”.^[32] Critics argue that these techniques (with few exceptions^[117]) are too focused on particular problems and have failed to address the long-term goal of general intelligence.^[118] There is an ongoing debate about the relevance and validity of statistical approaches in AI, exemplified in part by exchanges between **Peter Norvig** and **Noam Chomsky**.^{[119][120]}

3.5 Integrating the approaches

Intelligent agent paradigm An **intelligent agent** is a system that perceives its environment and takes ac-

tions which maximize its chances of success. The simplest intelligent agents are programs that solve specific problems. More complicated agents include human beings and organizations of human beings (such as **firms**). The paradigm gives researchers license to study isolated problems and find solutions that are both verifiable and useful, without agreeing on one single approach. An agent that solves a specific problem can use any approach that works – some agents are symbolic and logical, some are sub-symbolic **neural networks** and others may use new approaches. The paradigm also gives researchers a common language to communicate with other fields—such as **decision theory** and **economics**—that also use concepts of abstract agents. The intelligent agent paradigm became widely accepted during the 1990s.^[1]

Agent architectures and cognitive architectures

Researchers have designed systems to build intelligent systems out of interacting **intelligent agents** in a **multi-agent system**.^[121] A system with both symbolic and sub-symbolic components is a **hybrid intelligent system**, and the study of such systems is **artificial intelligence systems integration**. A **hierarchical control system** provides a bridge between sub-symbolic AI at its lowest, reactive levels and traditional symbolic AI at its highest levels, where relaxed time constraints permit planning and world modelling.^[122] **Rodney Brooks’ subsumption architecture** was an early proposal for such a hierarchical system.^[123]

4 Tools

In the course of 50 years of research, AI has developed a large number of tools to solve the most difficult problems in **computer science**. A few of the most general of these methods are discussed below.

4.1 Search and optimization

Main articles: **Search algorithm**, **Mathematical optimization**, and **Evolutionary computation**

Many problems in AI can be solved in theory by intelligently searching through many possible solutions.^[124] **Reasoning** can be reduced to performing a search. For example, logical proof can be viewed as searching for a path that leads from **premises** to **conclusions**, where each step is the application of an **inference rule**.^[125] **Planning algorithms** search through trees of goals and subgoals, attempting to find a path to a target goal, a process called **means-ends analysis**.^[126] **Robotics algorithms** for moving limbs and grasping objects use **local searches**

in configuration space.^[81] Many learning algorithms use search algorithms based on optimization.

Simple exhaustive searches^[127] are rarely sufficient for most real world problems: the search space (the number of places to search) quickly grows to astronomical numbers. The result is a search that is too slow or never completes. The solution, for many problems, is to use "heuristics" or "rules of thumb" that eliminate choices that are unlikely to lead to the goal (called "pruning the search tree"). Heuristics supply the program with a "best guess" for the path on which the solution lies.^[128] Heuristics limit the search for solutions into a smaller sample size.^[82]

A very different kind of search came to prominence in the 1990s, based on the mathematical theory of optimization. For many problems, it is possible to begin the search with some form of a guess and then refine the guess incrementally until no more refinements can be made. These algorithms can be visualized as blind hill climbing: we begin the search at a random point on the landscape, and then, by jumps or steps, we keep moving our guess uphill, until we reach the top. Other optimization algorithms are simulated annealing, beam search and random optimization.^[129]

Evolutionary computation uses a form of optimization search. For example, they may begin with a population of organisms (the guesses) and then allow them to mutate and recombine, selecting only the fittest to survive each generation (refining the guesses). Forms of evolutionary computation include swarm intelligence algorithms (such as ant colony or particle swarm optimization)^[130] and evolutionary algorithms (such as genetic algorithms, gene expression programming, and genetic programming).^[131]

4.2 Logic

Main articles: Logic programming and Automated reasoning

Logic^[132] is used for knowledge representation and problem solving, but it can be applied to other problems as well. For example, the satplan algorithm uses logic for planning^[133] and inductive logic programming is a method for learning.^[134]

Several different forms of logic are used in AI research. Propositional or sentential logic^[135] is the logic of statements which can be true or false. First-order logic^[136] also allows the use of quantifiers and predicates, and can express facts about objects, their properties, and their relations with each other. Fuzzy logic,^[137] is a version of first-order logic which allows the truth of a statement to be represented as a value between 0 and 1, rather than simply True (1) or False (0). Fuzzy systems can be used for uncertain reasoning and have been widely used in modern industrial and consumer product control sys-

tems. Subjective logic^[138] models uncertainty in a different and more explicit manner than fuzzy-logic: a given binomial opinion satisfies belief + disbelief + uncertainty = 1 within a Beta distribution. By this method, ignorance can be distinguished from probabilistic statements that an agent makes with high confidence.

Default logics, non-monotonic logics and circumscription^[54] are forms of logic designed to help with default reasoning and the qualification problem. Several extensions of logic have been designed to handle specific domains of knowledge, such as: description logics;^[48] situation calculus, event calculus and fluent calculus (for representing events and time);^[49] causal calculus;^[50] belief calculus;^[139] and modal logics.^[51]

4.3 Probabilistic methods for uncertain reasoning

Main articles: Bayesian network, Hidden Markov model, Kalman filter, Decision theory, and Utility theory

Many problems in AI (in reasoning, planning, learning, perception and robotics) require the agent to operate with incomplete or uncertain information. AI researchers have devised a number of powerful tools to solve these problems using methods from probability theory and economics.^[140]

Bayesian networks^[141] are a very general tool that can be used for a large number of problems: reasoning (using the Bayesian inference algorithm),^[142] learning (using the expectation-maximization algorithm),^[143] planning (using decision networks)^[144] and perception (using dynamic Bayesian networks).^[145] Probabilistic algorithms can also be used for filtering, prediction, smoothing and finding explanations for streams of data, helping perception systems to analyze processes that occur over time (e.g., hidden Markov models or Kalman filters).^[145]

A key concept from the science of economics is "utility": a measure of how valuable something is to an intelligent agent. Precise mathematical tools have been developed that analyze how an agent can make choices and plan, using decision theory, decision analysis,^[146] and information value theory.^[60] These tools include models such as Markov decision processes,^[147] dynamic decision networks,^[145] game theory and mechanism design.^[148]

4.4 Classifiers and statistical learning methods

Main articles: Classifier (mathematics), Statistical classification, and Machine learning

The simplest AI applications can be divided into two

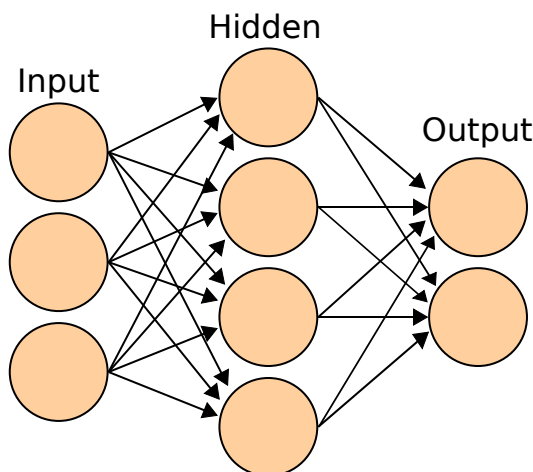
types: classifiers (“if shiny then diamond”) and controllers (“if shiny then pick up”). Controllers do, however, also classify conditions before inferring actions, and therefore classification forms a central part of many AI systems. **Classifiers** are functions that use **pattern matching** to determine a closest match. They can be tuned according to examples, making them very attractive for use in AI. These examples are known as observations or patterns. In supervised learning, each pattern belongs to a certain predefined class. A class can be seen as a decision that has to be made. All the observations combined with their class labels are known as a data set. When a new observation is received, that observation is classified based on previous experience.^[149]

A classifier can be trained in various ways; there are many statistical and **machine learning** approaches. The most widely used classifiers are the neural network,^[150] kernel methods such as the support vector machine,^[151] k-nearest neighbor algorithm,^[152] Gaussian mixture model,^[153] naive Bayes classifier,^[154] and decision tree.^[155] The performance of these classifiers have been compared over a wide range of tasks. Classifier performance depends greatly on the characteristics of the data to be classified. There is no single classifier that works best on all given problems; this is also referred to as the “no free lunch” theorem. Determining a suitable classifier for a given problem is still more an art than science.^[156]

4.5 Neural networks

Main articles: **Artificial neural network** and **Connectionism**

The study of non-learning artificial neural networks^[150]



A neural network is an interconnected group of nodes, akin to the vast network of neurons in the human brain.

began in the decade before the field of AI research was founded, in the work of **Walter Pitts** and **Warren McCulloch**. **Frank Rosenblatt** invented the **perceptron**,

a learning network with a single layer, similar to the old concept of **linear regression**. Early pioneers also include **Alexey Grigorevich Ivakhnenko**, **Teuvo Kohonen**, **Stephen Grossberg**, **Kunihiko Fukushima**, **Christoph von der Malsburg**, **David Willshaw**, **Shun-Ichi Amari**, **Bernard Widrow**, **John Hopfield**, **Eduardo R. Caianiello**, and others.

The main categories of networks are acyclic or **feedforward neural networks** (where the signal passes in only one direction) and **recurrent neural networks** (which allow feedback and short-term memories of previous input events). Among the most popular feedforward networks are **perceptrons**, **multi-layer perceptrons** and **radial basis networks**.^[157] Neural networks can be applied to the problem of **intelligent control** (for robotics) or **learning**, using such techniques as **Hebbian learning**, **GMDH** or **competitive learning**.^[158]

Today, neural networks are often trained by the **backpropagation** algorithm, which had been around since 1970 as the reverse mode of **automatic differentiation** published by **Seppo Linnainmaa**,^{[159][160]} and was introduced to neural networks by **Paul Werbos**.^{[161][162][163]}

Hierarchical temporal memory is an approach that models some of the structural and algorithmic properties of the **neocortex**.^[164]

4.6 Deep feedforward neural networks

Main article: **Deep learning**

Deep learning in artificial neural networks with many layers has transformed many important subfields of artificial intelligence, including **computer vision**, **speech recognition**, **natural language processing** and others.^{[165][166][167]}

According to a survey,^[168] the expression “Deep Learning” was introduced to the **Machine Learning** community by **Rina Dechter** in 1986^[169] and gained traction after **Igor Aizenberg** and colleagues introduced it to **Artificial Neural Networks** in 2000.^[170] The first functional Deep Learning networks were published by **Alexey Grigorevich Ivakhnenko** and **V. G. Lapa** in 1965.^[171] These networks are trained one layer at a time. Ivakhnenko’s 1971 paper^[172] describes the learning of a deep feedforward multilayer perceptron with eight layers, already much deeper than many later networks. In 2006, a publication by **Geoffrey Hinton** and **Ruslan Salakhutdinov** introduced another way of pre-training many-layered **feedforward neural networks** (FNNs) one layer at a time, treating each layer in turn as an **unsupervised restricted Boltzmann machine**, then using supervised **backpropagation** for fine-tuning.^[173] Similar to shallow artificial neural networks, deep neural networks can model complex non-linear relationships. Over the last few years, advances in both machine learning algorithms and computer hardware have led to more efficient methods for training deep neural net-

works that contain many layers of non-linear hidden units and a very large output layer.^[174]

Deep learning often uses **convolutional neural networks** (CNNs), whose origins can be traced back to the **Neocognitron** introduced by **Kunihiko Fukushima** in 1980.^[175] In 1989, **Yann LeCun** and colleagues applied **backpropagation** to such an architecture. In the early 2000s, in an industrial application CNNs already processed an estimated 10% to 20% of all the checks written in the US.^[176] Since 2011, fast implementations of CNNs on GPUs have won many visual pattern recognition competitions.^[167]

Deep feedforward neural networks were used in conjunction with **reinforcement learning** by **AlphaGo**, Google Deepmind's program that was the first to beat a professional human player.^[177]

4.7 Deep recurrent neural networks

Main article: **Recurrent neural networks**

Early on, **deep learning** was also applied to sequence learning with **recurrent neural networks** (RNNs)^[178] which are general computers and can run arbitrary programs to process arbitrary sequences of inputs. The depth of an RNN is unlimited and depends on the length of its input sequence.^[167] RNNs can be trained by **gradient descent**^{[179][180][181]} but suffer from the **vanishing gradient problem**.^{[165][182]} In 1992, it was shown that unsupervised pre-training of a stack of **recurrent neural networks** can speed up subsequent supervised learning of deep sequential problems.^[183]

Numerous researchers now use variants of a deep learning recurrent NN called the **long short-term memory** (LSTM) network published by Hochreiter & Schmidhuber in 1997.^[184] LSTM is often trained by Connectionist Temporal Classification (CTC).^[185] At Google, Microsoft and Baidu this approach has revolutionised **speech recognition**.^{[186][187][188]} For example, in 2015, Google's speech recognition experienced a dramatic performance jump of 49% through CTC-trained LSTM, which is now available through **Google Voice** to billions of smartphone users.^[189] Google also used LSTM to improve machine translation,^[190] Language Modeling^[191] and Multilingual Language Processing.^[192] LSTM combined with CNNs also improved automatic image captioning^[193] and a plethora of other applications.

4.8 Control theory

Main article: **Intelligent control**

Control theory, the grandchild of **cybernetics**, has many important applications, especially in **robotics**.^[194]

4.9 Languages

Main article: **List of programming languages for artificial intelligence**

AI researchers have developed several specialized languages for AI research, including **Lisp**^[195] and **Prolog**.^[196]

4.10 Evaluating progress

Main article: **Progress in artificial intelligence**

In 1950, **Alan Turing** proposed a general procedure to test the intelligence of an agent now known as the **Turing test**. This procedure allows almost all the major problems of artificial intelligence to be tested. However, it is a very difficult challenge and at present all agents fail.^[197]

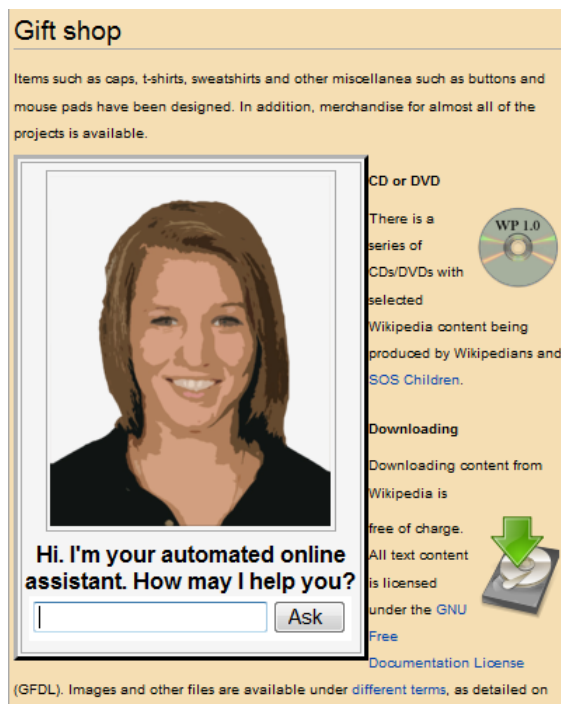
Artificial intelligence can also be evaluated on specific problems such as small problems in chemistry, handwriting recognition and game-playing. Such tests have been termed **subject matter expert Turing tests**. Smaller problems provide more achievable goals and there are an ever-increasing number of positive results.^[198]

For example, performance at **draughts** (i.e. checkers) is optimal,^[199] performance at chess is high-human and nearing super-human (see **computer chess: computers versus human**) and performance at many everyday tasks (such as recognizing a face or crossing a room without bumping into something) is sub-human.

A quite different approach measures machine intelligence through tests which are developed from *mathematical* definitions of intelligence. Examples of these kinds of tests start in the late nineties devising intelligence tests using notions from **Kolmogorov complexity** and **data compression**.^[200] Two major advantages of mathematical definitions are their applicability to nonhuman intelligences and their absence of a requirement for human testers.

A derivative of the Turing test is the Completely Automated Public Turing test to tell Computers and Humans Apart (**CAPTCHA**). As the name implies, this helps to determine that a user is an actual person and not a computer posing as a human. In contrast to the standard Turing test, CAPTCHA administered by a machine and targeted to a human as opposed to being administered by a human and targeted to a machine. A computer asks a user to complete a simple test then generates a grade for that test. Computers are unable to solve the problem, so correct solutions are deemed to be the result of a person taking the test. A common type of CAPTCHA is the test that requires the typing of distorted letters, numbers or symbols that appear in an image undecipherable by a computer.^[201]

5 Applications



An automated online assistant providing customer service on a web page – one of many very primitive applications of artificial intelligence.

Main article: Applications of artificial intelligence

AI is relevant to any intellectual task.^[202] Modern artificial intelligence techniques are pervasive and are too numerous to list here. Frequently, when a technique reaches mainstream use, it is no longer considered artificial intelligence; this phenomenon is described as the **AI effect**.^[203]

High-profile examples of AI include autonomous vehicles (such as drones and self-driving cars), medical diagnosis, creating art (such as poetry), proving mathematical theorems, playing games (such as Chess or Go), search engines (such as Google search), online assistants (such as Siri), image recognition in photographs, spam filtering, prediction of judicial decisions^[204] and targeting online advertisements.^{[202][205][206]}

With social media sites overtaking TV as a source for news for young people and news organisations increasingly reliant on social media platforms for generating distribution,^[207] major publishers now use artificial intelligence (AI) technology to post stories more effectively and generate higher volumes of traffic.^[208]

5.1 Competitions and prizes

Main article: Competitions and prizes in artificial intelligence

There are a number of competitions and prizes to promote research in artificial intelligence. The main areas promoted are: general machine intelligence, conversational behavior, data-mining, robotic cars, robot soccer and games.

5.2 Healthcare

Artificial intelligence is breaking into the healthcare industry by assisting doctors. According to Bloomberg Technology, Microsoft has developed AI to help doctors find the right treatments for cancer.^[209] There is a great amount of research and drugs developed relating to cancer. In detail, there are more than 800 medicines and vaccines to treat cancer. This negatively affects the doctors, because there are way too many options to choose from, making it more difficult to choose the right drugs for the patients. Microsoft is working on a project to develop a machine called “Hanover”. Its goal is to memorize all the papers necessary to cancer and help predict which combinations of drugs will be most effective for each patient. One project that is being worked on at the moment is fighting **myeloid leukemia**, a fatal cancer where the treatment has not improved in decades. Another study was reported to have found that artificial intelligence was as good as trained doctors in identifying skin cancers.^[210] Another study is using artificial intelligence to try and monitor multiple high-risk patients, and this is done by asking each patient numerous questions based on data acquired from live doctor to patient interactions.^[211]

According to CNN, there was a recent study by surgeons at the Children’s National Medical Center in Washington which successfully demonstrated surgery with an autonomous robot. The team supervised the robot while it performed soft-tissue surgery, stitching together a pig’s bowel during open surgery, and doing so better than a human surgeon, the team claimed.^[212]

5.3 Automotive industry

Advancements in AI have contributed to the growth of the automotive industry through the creation and evolution of self-driving vehicles. As of 2016, there are over 30 companies utilizing AI into the creation of **driverless cars**. A few companies involved with AI include Tesla, Google, and Apple.^[213]

Many components contribute to the functioning of self-driving cars. These vehicles incorporate systems such as braking, lane changing, collision prevention, navigation and mapping. Together, these systems, as well as high performance computers are integrated into one complex vehicle.^[214]

One main factor that influences the ability for a driverless car to function is mapping. In general, the vehicle would be pre-programmed with a map of the area being

driven. This map would include data on the approximations of street light and curb heights in order for the vehicle to be aware of its surroundings. However, Google has been working on an algorithm with the purpose of eliminating the need for pre-programmed maps and instead, creating a device that would be able to adjust to a variety of new surroundings.^[215] Some self-driving cars are not equipped with steering wheels or brakes, so there has also been research focused on creating an algorithm that is capable of maintaining a safe environment for the passengers in the vehicle through awareness of speed and driving conditions.^[216]

5.4 Finance

Financial institutions have long used **artificial neural network** systems to detect charges or claims outside of the norm, flagging these for human investigation.

Use of AI in banking can be tracked back to 1987 when Security Pacific National Bank in USA set-up a Fraud Prevention Task force to counter the unauthorised use of debit cards. Apps like Kasisito and Moneystream are using AI in financial services

Banks use artificial intelligence systems to organize operations, maintain book-keeping, invest in stocks, and manage properties. AI can react to changes overnight or when business is not taking place.^[217] In August 2001, robots beat humans in a simulated **financial trading** competition.^[218]

AI has also reduced fraud and crime by monitoring behavioral patterns of users for any changes or anomalies.^[219]

6 Platforms

A **platform** (or "computing platform") is defined as "some sort of hardware architecture or software framework (including application frameworks), that allows software to run". As Rodney Brooks pointed out many years ago,^[220] it is not just the artificial intelligence software that defines the AI features of the platform, but rather the actual platform itself that affects the AI that results, i.e., there needs to be work in AI problems on real-world platforms rather than in isolation.

A wide variety of platforms has allowed different aspects of AI to develop, ranging from **expert systems** such as Cyc to **deep-learning frameworks** to robot platforms such as the **Roomba** with open interface.^[221] Recent advances in deep **artificial neural networks** and distributed computing have led to a proliferation of software libraries, including Deeplearning4j, TensorFlow, Theano and Torch.

6.1 Partnership on AI

Amazon, Google, Facebook, IBM, and Microsoft have established a non-profit partnership to formulate best practices on artificial intelligence technologies, advance the public's understanding, and to serve as a platform about artificial intelligence.^[222] They stated: "This partnership on AI will conduct research, organize discussions, provide thought leadership, consult with relevant third parties, respond to questions from the public and media, and create educational material that advance the understanding of AI technologies including machine perception, learning, and automated reasoning."^[222] Apple joined other tech companies as a founding member of the Partnership on AI in January 2017. The corporate members will make financial and research contributions to the group, while engaging with the scientific community to bring academics onto the board.^[223]

7 Philosophy and ethics

Main articles: **Philosophy of artificial intelligence** and **Ethics of artificial intelligence**

There are three philosophical questions related to AI:

1. Is **artificial general intelligence** possible? Can a machine solve any problem that a human being can solve using intelligence? Or are there hard limits to what a machine can accomplish?
2. Are intelligent machines dangerous? How can we ensure that machines behave ethically and that they are used ethically?
3. Can a machine have a **mind**, **consciousness** and **mental states** in exactly the same sense that human beings do? Can a machine be **sentient**, and thus deserve certain rights? Can a machine **intentionally** cause harm?

7.1 The limits of artificial general intelligence

Main articles: **philosophy of AI**, **Turing test**, **Physical symbol systems hypothesis**, **Dreyfus' critique of AI**, **The Emperor's New Mind**, and **AI effect**

Can a machine be intelligent? Can it "think"?

Turing's "polite convention" We need not decide if a machine can "think"; we need only decide if a machine can act as intelligently as a human being. This approach to the philosophical problems associated with artificial intelligence forms the basis of the **Turing test**.^[197]

The Dartmouth proposal “Every aspect of learning or any other feature of intelligence can be so precisely described that a machine can be made to simulate it.” This conjecture was printed in the proposal for the Dartmouth Conference of 1956, and represents the position of most working AI researchers.^[224]

Newell and Simon’s physical symbol system hypothesis

“A physical symbol system has the necessary and sufficient means of general intelligent action.” Newell and Simon argue that intelligence consists of formal operations on symbols.^[225] Hubert Dreyfus argued that, on the contrary, human expertise depends on unconscious instinct rather than conscious symbol manipulation and on having a “feel” for the situation rather than explicit symbolic knowledge. (See Dreyfus’ critique of AI.)^{[226][227]}

Gödelian arguments Gödel himself,^[228] John Lucas (in 1961) and Roger Penrose (in a more detailed argument from 1989 onwards) made highly technical arguments that human mathematicians can consistently see the truth of their own “Gödel statements” and therefore have computational abilities beyond that of mechanical Turing machines.^[229] However, the modern consensus in the scientific and mathematical community is that these “Gödelian arguments” fail.^{[230][231][232]}

The artificial brain argument The brain can be simulated by machines and because brains are intelligent, simulated brains must also be intelligent; thus machines can be intelligent. Hans Moravec, Ray Kurzweil and others have argued that it is technologically feasible to copy the brain directly into hardware and software, and that such a simulation will be essentially identical to the original.^[95]

The AI effect Machines are *already* intelligent, but observers have failed to recognize it. When Deep Blue beat Garry Kasparov in chess, the machine was acting intelligently. However, onlookers commonly discount the behavior of an artificial intelligence program by arguing that it is not “real” intelligence after all; thus “real” intelligence is whatever intelligent behavior people can do that machines still can not. This is known as the AI Effect: “AI is whatever hasn’t been done yet.”

7.2 Potential risks and moral reasoning

Widespread use of artificial intelligence could have unintended consequences that are dangerous or undesirable. Scientists from the Future of Life Institute, among others, described some short-term research goals to be how AI influences the economy, the laws and ethics that are involved with AI and how to minimize AI security risks.

In the long-term, the scientists have proposed to continue optimizing function while minimizing possible security risks that come along with new technologies.^[233]

Machines with intelligence have the potential to use their intelligence to make ethical decisions. Research in this area includes “machine ethics”, “artificial moral agents”, and the study of “malevolent vs. friendly AI”.

7.2.1 Existential risk

Main article: [Existential risk from advanced artificial intelligence](#)

The development of full artificial intelligence could spell the end of the human race. Once humans develop artificial intelligence, it will take off on its own and redesign itself at an ever-increasing rate. Humans, who are limited by slow biological evolution, couldn’t compete and would be superseded.
— Stephen Hawking^[234]

A common concern about the development of artificial intelligence is the potential threat it could pose to mankind. This concern has recently gained attention after mentions by celebrities including Stephen Hawking, Bill Gates,^[235] and Elon Musk.^[236] A group of prominent tech titans including Peter Thiel, Amazon Web Services and Musk have committed \$1billion to OpenAI a nonprofit company aimed at championing responsible AI development.^[237] The opinion of experts within the field of artificial intelligence is mixed, with sizable fractions both concerned and unconcerned by risk from eventual superhumanly-capable AI.^[238]

In his book *Superintelligence*, Nick Bostrom provides an argument that artificial intelligence will pose a threat to mankind. He argues that sufficiently intelligent AI, if it chooses actions based on achieving some goal, will exhibit **convergent** behavior such as acquiring resources or protecting itself from being shut down. If this AI’s goals do not reflect humanity’s - one example is an AI told to compute as many digits of pi as possible - it might harm humanity in order to acquire more resources or prevent itself from being shut down, ultimately to better achieve its goal.

For this danger to be realized, the hypothetical AI would have to overpower or out-think all of humanity, which a minority of experts argue is a possibility far enough in the future to not be worth researching.^{[239][240]} Other counterarguments revolve around humans being either intrinsically or convergently valuable from the perspective of an artificial intelligence.^[241]

Concern over risk from artificial intelligence has led to some high-profile donations and investments. In Jan-

uary 2015, [Elon Musk](#) donated ten million dollars to the [Future of Life Institute](#) to fund research on understanding AI decision making. The goal of the institute is to “grow wisdom with which we manage” the growing power of technology. Musk also funds companies developing artificial intelligence such as [Google DeepMind](#) and [Vicarious](#) to “just keep an eye on what’s going on with artificial intelligence.”^[242] I think there is potentially a dangerous outcome there.”^{[243][244]}

Development of militarized artificial intelligence is a related concern. Currently, 50+ countries are researching battlefield robots, including the United States, China, Russia, and the United Kingdom. Many people concerned about risk from superintelligent AI also want to limit the use of artificial soldiers.^[245]

7.2.2 Devaluation of humanity

Main article: [Computer Power and Human Reason](#)

[Joseph Weizenbaum](#) wrote that AI applications can not, by definition, successfully simulate genuine human empathy and that the use of AI technology in fields such as [customer service](#) or [psychotherapy](#)^[246] was deeply misguided. Weizenbaum was also bothered that AI researchers (and some philosophers) were willing to view the human mind as nothing more than a computer program (a position now known as [computationalism](#)). To Weizenbaum these points suggest that AI research devalues human life.^[247]

7.2.3 Decrease in demand for human labor

Martin Ford, author of *The Lights in the Tunnel: Automation, Accelerating Technology and the Economy of the Future*,^[248] and others argue that specialized artificial intelligence applications, robotics and other forms of automation will ultimately result in significant unemployment as machines begin to match and exceed the capability of workers to perform most routine and repetitive jobs. Ford predicts that many knowledge-based occupations—and in particular entry level jobs—will be increasingly susceptible to automation via expert systems, machine learning^[249] and other AI-enhanced applications. AI-based applications may also be used to amplify the capabilities of low-wage offshore workers, making it more feasible to [outsource knowledge work](#).^[250]

7.2.4 Artificial moral agents

This raises the issue of how ethically the machine should behave towards both humans and other AI agents. This issue was addressed by Wendell Wallach in his book titled *Moral Machines* in which he introduced the concept of [artificial moral agents \(AMA\)](#).^[251] For Wallach, AMAs

have become a part of the research landscape of artificial intelligence as guided by its two central questions which he identifies as “Does Humanity Want Computers Making Moral Decisions?”^[252] and “Can (Ro)bots Really Be Moral?”^[253] For Wallach the question is not centered on the issue of *whether* machines can demonstrate the equivalent of moral behavior in contrast to the *constraints* which society may place on the development of AMAs.^[254]

7.2.5 Machine ethics

Main article: [Machine ethics](#)

The field of machine ethics is concerned with giving machines ethical principles, or a procedure for discovering a way to resolve the ethical dilemmas they might encounter, enabling them to function in an ethically responsible manner through their own ethical decision making.^[255] The field was delineated in the AAAI Fall 2005 Symposium on Machine Ethics: “Past research concerning the relationship between technology and ethics has largely focused on responsible and irresponsible use of technology by human beings, with a few people being interested in how human beings ought to treat machines. In all cases, only human beings have engaged in ethical reasoning. The time has come for adding an ethical dimension to at least some machines. Recognition of the ethical ramifications of behavior involving machines, as well as recent and potential developments in machine autonomy, necessitate this. In contrast to computer hacking, software property issues, privacy issues and other topics normally ascribed to computer ethics, machine ethics is concerned with the behavior of machines towards human users and other machines. Research in machine ethics is key to alleviating concerns with autonomous systems—it could be argued that the notion of autonomous machines without such a dimension is at the root of all fear concerning machine intelligence. Further, investigation of machine ethics could enable the discovery of problems with current ethical theories, advancing our thinking about Ethics.”^[256] Machine ethics is sometimes referred to as machine morality, computational ethics or computational morality. A variety of perspectives of this nascent field can be found in the collected edition “Machine Ethics”^[255] that stems from the AAAI Fall 2005 Symposium on Machine Ethics.^[256]

7.2.6 Malevolent and friendly AI

Main article: [Friendly AI](#)

Political scientist [Charles T. Rubin](#) believes that AI can be neither designed nor guaranteed to be benevolent.^[257] He argues that “any sufficiently advanced benevolence may be indistinguishable from malevolence.” Humans should

not assume machines or robots would treat us favorably, because there is no *a priori* reason to believe that they would be sympathetic to our system of morality, which has evolved along with our particular biology (which AIs would not share). Hyper-intelligent software may not necessarily decide to support the continued existence of mankind, and would be extremely difficult to stop. This topic has also recently begun to be discussed in academic publications as a real source of risks to civilization, humans, and planet Earth.

Physicist [Stephen Hawking](#), Microsoft founder [Bill Gates](#) and [SpaceX](#) founder [Elon Musk](#) have expressed concerns about the possibility that AI could evolve to the point that humans could not control it, with Hawking theorizing that this could "[spell the end of the human race](#)".^[258]

One proposal to deal with this is to ensure that the first generally intelligent AI is 'Friendly AI', and will then be able to control subsequently developed AIs. Some question whether this kind of check could really remain in place.

Leading AI researcher [Rodney Brooks](#) writes, "I think it is a mistake to be worrying about us developing malevolent AI anytime in the next few hundred years. I think the worry stems from a fundamental error in not distinguishing the difference between the very real recent advances in a particular aspect of AI, and the enormity and complexity of building sentient volitional intelligence."^[259]

7.3 Machine consciousness, sentience and mind

Main article: [Artificial consciousness](#)

If an AI system replicates all key aspects of human intelligence, will that system also be [sentient](#) – will it have a [mind](#) which has [conscious experiences](#)? This question is closely related to the philosophical problem as to the nature of human consciousness, generally referred to as the [hard problem of consciousness](#).

7.3.1 Consciousness

Main articles: [Hard problem of consciousness](#) and [Theory of mind](#)

7.3.2 Computationalism and functionalism

Main articles: [Computationalism](#) and [Functionalism \(philosophy of mind\)](#)

Computationalism is the position in the [philosophy of mind](#) that the human mind or the human brain (or both) is an information processing system and that thinking is

a form of computing.^[260] Computationalism argues that the relationship between mind and body is similar or identical to the relationship between software and hardware and thus may be a solution to the [mind-body problem](#). This philosophical position was inspired by the work of AI researchers and cognitive scientists in the 1960s and was originally proposed by philosophers [Jerry Fodor](#) and [Hilary Putnam](#).

7.3.3 Strong AI hypothesis

Main article: [Chinese room](#)

The philosophical position that John Searle has named "[strong AI](#)" states: "The appropriately programmed computer with the right inputs and outputs would thereby have a mind in exactly the same sense human beings have minds."^[261] Searle counters this assertion with his [Chinese room](#) argument, which asks us to look *inside* the computer and try to find where the "mind" might be.^[262]

7.3.4 Robot rights

Main article: [Robot rights](#)

Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* considers a key issue in the ethics of artificial intelligence: if a machine can be created that has intelligence, could it also *feel*? If it can feel, does it have the same rights as a human? The idea also appears in modern science fiction, such as the film *A.I.: Artificial Intelligence*, in which humanoid machines have the ability to feel emotions. This issue, now known as "[robot rights](#)", is currently being considered by, for example, California's [Institute for the Future](#), although many critics believe that the discussion is premature.^[263] The subject is profoundly discussed in the 2010 documentary film *Plug & Pray*.^[264]

7.4 Superintelligence

Main article: [Superintelligence](#)

Are there limits to how intelligent machines – or human-machine hybrids – can be? A superintelligence, hyperintelligence, or superhuman intelligence is a hypothetical agent that would possess intelligence far surpassing that of the brightest and most gifted human mind. "Superintelligence" may also refer to the form or degree of intelligence possessed by such an agent.^[93]

7.4.1 Technological singularity

Main articles: [Technological singularity](#) and [Moore's law](#)

If research into **Strong AI** produced sufficiently intelligent software, it might be able to reprogram and improve itself. The improved software would be even better at improving itself, leading to **recursive self-improvement**.^[265] The new intelligence could thus increase exponentially and dramatically surpass humans. Science fiction writer **Vernor Vinge** named this scenario "**singularity**".^[266] Technological singularity is when accelerating progress in technologies will cause a runaway effect wherein artificial intelligence will exceed human intellectual capacity and control, thus radically changing or even ending civilization. Because the capabilities of such an intelligence may be impossible to comprehend, the technological singularity is an occurrence beyond which events are unpredictable or even unfathomable.^{[266][93]}

Ray Kurzweil has used **Moore's law** (which describes the relentless exponential improvement in digital technology) to calculate that **desktop computers** will have the same processing power as human brains by the year 2029, and predicts that the singularity will occur in 2045.^[266]

7.4.2 Transhumanism

Main article: **Transhumanism**

You awake one morning to find your brain has another lobe functioning. Invisible, this auxiliary lobe answers your questions with information beyond the realm of your own memory, suggests plausible courses of action, and asks questions that help bring out relevant facts. You quickly come to rely on the new lobe so much that you stop wondering how it works. You just use it. This is the dream of artificial intelligence.

— *Byte*, April 1985^[267]

Robot designer **Hans Moravec**, cyberneticist **Kevin Warwick** and inventor **Ray Kurzweil** have predicted that humans and machines will merge in the future into **cyborgs** that are more capable and powerful than either.^[268] This idea, called **transhumanism**, which has roots in **Aldous Huxley** and **Robert Ettinger**, has been illustrated in fiction as well, for example in the manga *Ghost in the Shell* and the science-fiction series *Dune*.

In the 1980s artist **Hajime Sorayama's** Sexy Robots series were painted and published in Japan depicting the actual organic human form with lifelike muscular metallic skins and later "the Gynoids" book followed that was used by or influenced movie makers including **George Lucas** and other creatives. Sorayama never considered these organic robots to be real part of nature but always unnatural product of the human mind, a fantasy existing in the mind even when realized in actual form.

Edward Fredkin argues that "artificial intelligence is the next stage in evolution", an idea first proposed by **Samuel Butler's** "**Darwin among the Machines**" (1863), and expanded upon by **George Dyson** in his book of the same name in 1998.^[269]

8 In fiction

Main article: **Artificial intelligence in fiction**

Thought-capable artificial beings have appeared as story-telling devices since antiquity.^[13]

The implications of a constructed machine exhibiting artificial intelligence have been a persistent theme in **science fiction** since the twentieth century. Early stories typically revolved around intelligent robots. The word "robot" itself was coined by **Karel Čapek** in his 1921 play *R.U.R.*, the title standing for "**Rossum's Universal Robots**". Later, the SF writer **Isaac Asimov** developed the **Three Laws of Robotics** which he subsequently explored in a long series of robot stories. Asimov's laws are often brought up during layman discussions of machine ethics;^[270] while almost all artificial intelligence researchers are familiar with Asimov's laws through popular culture, they generally consider the laws useless for many reasons, one of which is their ambiguity.^[271]

The novel *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*, by **Philip K. Dick**, tells a science fiction story about Androids and humans clashing in a futuristic world. Elements of artificial intelligence include the empathy box, mood organ, and the androids themselves. Throughout the novel, Dick portrays the idea that human subjectivity is altered by technology created with artificial intelligence.^[272]

Nowadays AI is firmly rooted in popular culture; intelligent robots appear in innumerable works. **HAL**, the murderous computer in charge of the spaceship in *2001: A Space Odyssey* (1968), is an example of the common "robotic rampage" archetype in science fiction movies. *The Terminator* (1984) and *The Matrix* (1999) provide additional widely familiar examples. In contrast, the rare loyal robots such as Gort from *The Day the Earth Stood Still* (1951) and Bishop from *Aliens* (1986) are less prominent in popular culture.^[273]

9 See also

- **Abductive reasoning**
- **Case-based reasoning**
- **Commonsense reasoning**
- **Emergent algorithm**
- **Evolutionary computing**

- Glossary of artificial intelligence
- Machine learning
- Mathematical optimization
- Soft computing
- Swarm intelligence

10 Notes

- [1] The intelligent agent paradigm:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 27, 32–58, 968–972
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 7–21
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 235–240
 - Hutter 2005, pp. 125–126
- The definition used in this article, in terms of goals, actions, perception and environment, is due to Russell & Norvig (2003). Other definitions also include knowledge and learning as additional criteria.
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- [3] Schank, Roger C. (1991). “Where’s the AI”. *AI magazine*. Vol. 12 no. 4. p. 38.
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- [6] Pamela McCorduck (2004, pp. 424) writes of “the rough shattering of AI in subfields—vision, natural language, decision theory, genetic algorithms, robotics ... and these with own sub-subfield—that would hardly have anything to say to each other.”
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- Russell & Norvig 2003
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998
 - Nilsson 1998
- [8] General intelligence (strong AI) is discussed in popular introductions to AI:
- Kurzweil 1999 and Kurzweil 2005
- [9] See the Dartmouth proposal, under Philosophy, below.
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- [11] <http://betanews.com/2016/10/21/artificial-intelligence-stephen-hawking/>
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 - Kurzweil 2005, p. 265
 - NRC 1999, pp. 216–222
- [13] AI in myth:
- McCorduck 2004, pp. 4–5
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 939
- [14] Russell & Norvig 2009, p. 16.
- [15] AI in early science fiction.
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- [16] Nilsson 1998, Section 1.3.
- [17] Formal reasoning:
- Berlinski, David (2000). *The Advent of the Algorithm*. Harcourt Books. ISBN 0-15-601391-6. OCLC 46890682.
- [18] AI’s immediate precursors:
- McCorduck 2004, pp. 51–107
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 27–32
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 15, 940
 - Moravec 1988, p. 3
- [19] 1947–, Crevier, Daniel, (1993-01-01). *The tumultuous history of the search for artificial intelligence*. Basic Books. ISBN 0465029973. OCLC 490227350.
- [20] Dartmouth conference:
- McCorduck 2004, pp. 111–136
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 47–49, who writes “the conference is generally recognized as the official birthdate of the new science.”
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 17, who call the conference “the birth of artificial intelligence.”
 - NRC 1999, pp. 200–201
- [21] Hegemony of the Dartmouth conference attendees:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 17, who write “for the next 20 years the field would be dominated by these people and their students.”
 - McCorduck 2004, pp. 129–130
- [22] Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 18.

- [23] "Golden years" of AI (successful symbolic reasoning programs 1956–1973):
- McCorduck 2004, pp. 243–252
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 52–107
 - Moravec 1988, p. 9
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 18–21
- The programs described are Arthur Samuel's checkers program for the IBM 701, Daniel Bobrow's STUDENT, Newell and Simon's Logic Theorist and Terry Winograd's SHRDLU.
- [24] DARPA pours money into undirected pure research into AI during the 1960s:
- McCorduck 2004, pp. 131
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 51, 64–65
 - NRC 1999, pp. 204–205
- [25] AI in England:
- Howe 1994
- [26] Optimism of early AI:
- Herbert Simon quote: Simon 1965, p. 96 quoted in Crevier 1993, p. 109.
 - Marvin Minsky quote: Minsky 1967, p. 2 quoted in Crevier 1993, p. 109.
- [27] Lighthill 1973.
- [28] First AI Winter, Mansfield Amendment, Lighthill report
- Crevier 1993, pp. 115–117
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 22
 - NRC 1999, pp. 212–213
 - Howe 1994
- [29] Expert systems:
- ACM 1998, I.2.1
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 22–24
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 227–331
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 17.4
 - McCorduck 2004, pp. 327–335, 434–435
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 145–62, 197–203
- [30] Boom of the 1980s: rise of expert systems, Fifth Generation Project, Alvey, MCC, SCI:
- McCorduck 2004, pp. 426–441
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 161–162, 197–203, 211, 240
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 24
 - NRC 1999, pp. 210–211
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- McCorduck 2004, pp. 430–435
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 209–210
 - NRC 1999, pp. 214–216
- [32] Formal methods are now preferred ("Victory of the neats"):
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 - McCorduck 2004, pp. 486–487
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- [35] Machine learning and AI's successes in the early 21st century:
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- [36] Markoff 2011.
- [37] Administrator. "Kinect's AI breakthrough explained". *i-programmer.info*.
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, chpt. 2,3,7,9,
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, chpt. 3,4,6,8,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 7–12
- [43] Uncertain reasoning:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 452–644,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 345–395,
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 333–381,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 19
- [44] Intractability and efficiency and the combinatorial explosion:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 9, 21–22
- [45] Psychological evidence of sub-symbolic reasoning:

- Wason & Shapiro (1966) showed that people do poorly on completely abstract problems, but if the problem is restated to allow the use of intuitive social intelligence, performance dramatically improves. (See Wason selection task)
 - Kahneman, Slovic & Tversky (1982) have shown that people are terrible at elementary problems that involve uncertain reasoning. (See list of cognitive biases for several examples).
 - Lakoff & Núñez (2000) have controversially argued that even our skills at mathematics depend on knowledge and skills that come from “the body”, i.e. sensorimotor and perceptual skills. (See *Where Mathematics Comes From*)
- [46] Knowledge representation:
- ACM 1998, I.2.4,
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 320–363,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 23–46, 69–81, 169–196, 235–277, 281–298, 319–345,
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 227–243,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 18
- [47] Knowledge engineering:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 260–266,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 199–233,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. ≈17.1–17.4
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 174–177,
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 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 18.3
- [49] Representing events and time: Situation calculus, event calculus, fluent calculus (including solving the frame problem):
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 281–298,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 18.2
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- Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 335–337
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- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 341–344,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 275–277
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- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 320–328
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 248–256, 323–335,
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 335–363,
 - Nilsson 1998, ~18.3.3
- [55] Breadth of commonsense knowledge:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 21,
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 113–114,
 - Moravec 1988, p. 13,
 - Lenat & Guha 1989 (Introduction)
- [56] Dreyfus & Dreyfus 1986.
- [57] Gladwell 2005.
- [58] Expert knowledge as embodied intuition:
- Dreyfus & Dreyfus 1986 (Hubert Dreyfus is a philosopher and critic of AI who was among the first to argue that most useful human knowledge was encoded sub-symbolically. See Dreyfus’ critique of AI)
 - Gladwell 2005 (Gladwell’s *Blink* is a popular introduction to sub-symbolic reasoning and knowledge.)
 - Hawkins & Blakeslee 2005 (Hawkins argues that sub-symbolic knowledge should be the primary focus of AI research.)
- [59] Planning:
- ACM 1998, ~I.2.8,
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 375–459,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 281–316,
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 314–329,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 10.1–2, 22
- [60] Information value theory:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 600–604
- [61] Classical planning:
- Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 375–430,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 281–315,
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 314–329,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 10.1–2, 22

- [62] Planning and acting in non-deterministic domains: conditional planning, execution monitoring, replanning and continuous planning:
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 430–449
- [63] Multi-agent planning and emergent behavior:
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 449–455
- [64] This is a form of Tom Mitchell's widely quoted definition of machine learning: "A computer program is set to learn from an experience E with respect to some task T and some performance measure P if its performance on T as measured by P improves with experience E ."
- [65] Learning:
 - ACM 1998, I.2.6,
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 649–788,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 397–438,
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 385–542,
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 3.3, 10.3, 17.5, 20
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- [67] Reinforcement learning:
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 763–788
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 442–449
- [68] Computational learning theory:
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- [69] Weng et al. 2001.
- [70] Lungarella et al. 2003.
- [71] Asada et al. 2009.
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 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 623–630
- [76] Machine perception:
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 537–581, 863–898
 - Nilsson 1998, ~chpt. 6
- [77] Computer vision:
 - ACM 1998, I.2.10
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 863–898
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 6
- [78] Speech recognition:
 - ACM 1998, ~I.2.7
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 568–578
- [79] Object recognition:
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 885–892
- [80] Robotics:
 - ACM 1998, I.2.9,
 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 901–942,
 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 443–460
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 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 916–932
- [82] Tecuci 2012.
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 - Russell & Norvig 2003, pp. 908–915
- [84] *Kismet*.
- [85] Thro 1993.
- [86] Edelson 1991.
- [87] Tao & Tan 2005.
- [88] James 1884.
- [89] Picard 1995.
- [90] Kleine-Cosack 2006: "The introduction of emotion to computer science was done by Pickard (sic) who created the field of affective computing."
- [91] Diamond 2003: "Rosalind Picard, a genial MIT professor, is the field's godmother; her 1997 book, *Affective Computing*, triggered an explosion of interest in the emotional side of computers and their users."
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- Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 957
 - Crevier 1993, pp. 271 and 279
- A few of the people who make some form of the argument:
- Moravec 1988
 - Kurzweil 2005, p. 262
 - Hawkins & Blakeslee 2005
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- [96] AI complete: Shapiro 1992, p. 9
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 - Crevier 1993, pp. 168
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 - Howe 1994
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- McCorduck 2004, pp. 259–305
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 - Russell & Norvig 2003, p. 19
- [112] Cyc:
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 - Lenat & Guha 1989
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 - Brooks 1990
 - Moravec 1988
- [115] Revival of connectionism:
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- [116] Computational intelligence
- IEEE Computational Intelligence Society
- [117] Hutter 2012.
- [118] Langley 2011.

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- [120] Norvig 2012.
- [121] Agent architectures, hybrid intelligent systems:
- Russell & Norvig (2003, pp. 27, 932, 970–972)
 - Nilsson (1998, chpt. 25)
- [122] Hierarchical control system:
- Albus 2002
- [123] Subsumption architecture:
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- [124] Search algorithms:
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 113–163
 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 79–164, 193–219
 - Nilsson 1998, chpt. 7–12
- [125] Forward chaining, backward chaining, Horn clauses, and logical deduction as search:
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. ~46–52
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- [126] State space search and planning:
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 113–132
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 - Luger & Stubblefield 2004, pp. 133–150,
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 56–163
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 300–301,
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 414–416,
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 - Poole, Mackworth & Goebel 1998, pp. 345–395,
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- Kalman filters:
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