

logic lō·dʒik science that treats of forms of thinking xiv; logical argumentation x (O)F. *logique* – late L. *logica* – Gr. *logos* (Cicero), for hē logikē tékhnē the art of reasoning; *logikē*, fem. of *logikós*, f. of *logos*, discourse (see LOGOS).

Logos lō·gōs ‘the Word’ of John i 1. XVI. *logos* account, ratio, reason, argument, discourse, saying, (rarely) word, rel. to *lego*; either, choose, recount, say (see LECTIO).

IF.05.22 THEORETICAL INFORMATICS

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UNIT 01

Overview and Administrivia

TODAY

- Overview
- Motivation
- Why to study theoretical informatics
- Administrivia
 - Grading
 - Communication
 - Working

CONTENT OUTLINE

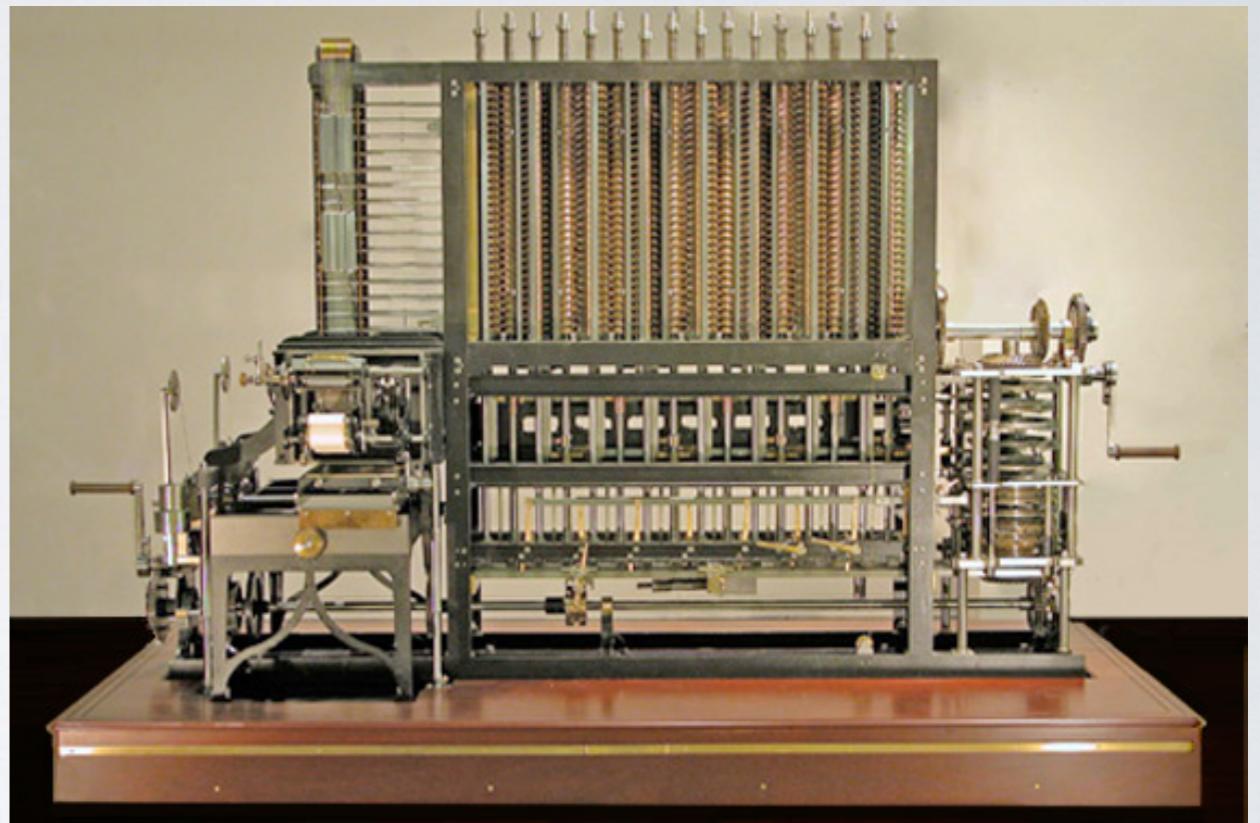
- Formal Logic
- Production Systems
- Formal Languages
- Compiler Construction

WHY TO STUDY THEORETICAL INFORMATICS? – PART I

- One base of computer science

VERY EARLY HISTORY

- 1837: Charles Babbage:
Analytical engine
- 1854: Boole: Boolean
algebra
- 1931: Kurt Gödel:
Incompleteness theorem
- 1936: Alan Turing / Alonzo
Church: Turing machine



EXCURSUS – A GLANCE ON THE INCOMPLETENESS THEOREM

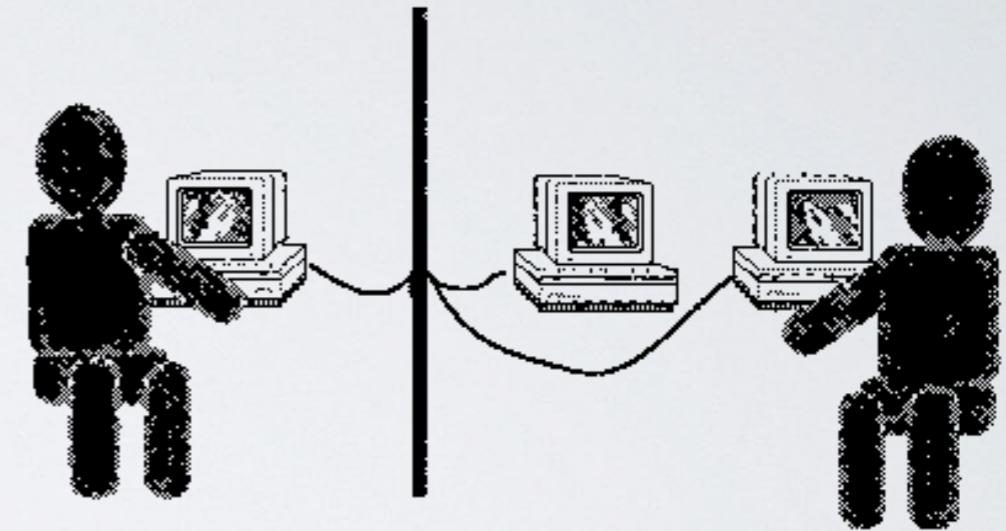
- “Any formal system either is inconsistent or incomplete.”
- Inconsistent: A false sentence can be proven.
- Incomplete: There is no proof for some sentence in the system.

EXAMPLE?

- Difficult, because all “easy understandable” examples do not really catch it
 - Try: Barber paradox
 - Village with just one barber, all men clean-shaven.
 - Barber announces: “I shave all those men and only those who do not shave themselves.”
 - Question: “Who shaves the barber?”
- Either answer leads to a contradiction, therefore the question cannot be answered

EARLY HISTORY

- 1950: Alan Turing: Turing test
- 1950: Claude Shannon:
Chess as search
- 1964: Joseph Weizenbaum:
Eliza: <http://www.media.com/models/eliza.html>



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I am the psychotherapist. Please, describe your problems.  
Each time  
you are finished talking, type RET twice.  
  
I have a terrible headache.  
Maybe you should consult a doctor of medicine, I am a psychi  
atrist.  
Okay, I'll do that then.  
Can you elaborate on that?  
What are you talking about? No I cannot elaborate. See you l  
ater.  
Why do you say that?  
Now you're just talking nonsense!  
What makes you believe now I am just talking nonsense?  
You are not making any sense.  
  
Perhaps your plans have something to do with this.  
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HISTORY

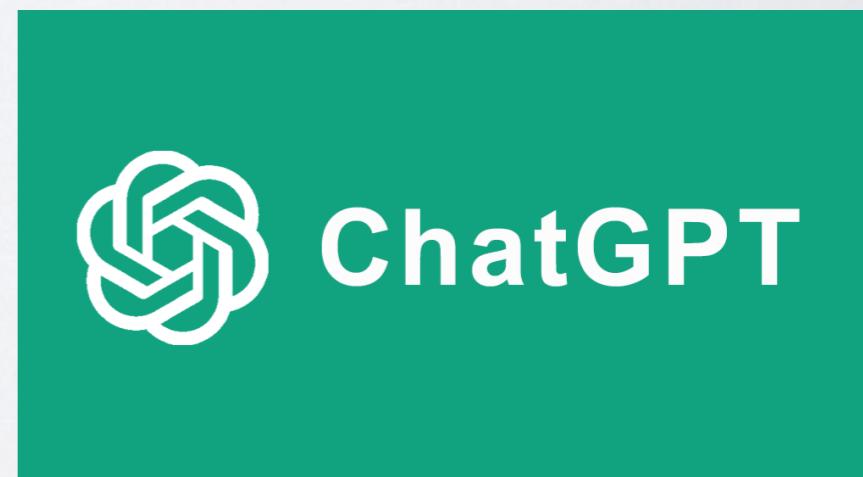
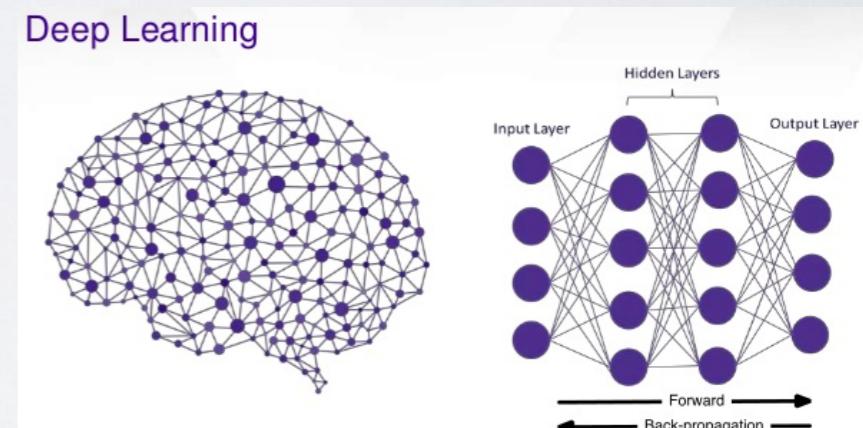
- 1974: Paul Werbos:
Backpropagation algorithm
- 1980s: Expert systems,
(Autonomous) industrial robots,
Artificial Neural Networks, ...
- 1990s: Deep Blue, Semantic Web
Roadmap, Web Crawlers, Search
Engines, Robotics, ...

Artificial Neural Networks /
Deep Learning will be an extra
Course in grade 4 and 5 (DSAI)



MORE RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

- 2000s: Asimo, Blue Brain, Web Ontology Language, ...
- 2010s: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, ...
- 2020s: Generative AI, Large Language Models, ...



ADMINISTRIVIA

HOW IS THE COURSE ORGANIZED?

- Lecture (~ 1 unit)
 - Present and discuss necessary concepts in class
- Exercise (~ 1 unit)
 - Discuss home works and other examples

HOW TO GET A GRADE – EXERCISES

- Every week some small examples
- To be solved at home
- Tick your examples next week
- Present them in the exercise hour

HOW TO GET A GRADE – MINI PUZZLES

- Approx. two to three per semester
- Announced a week in advance
- Results are averaged
- Weight: 50 %

HOW TO GET A GRADE – SUMMARY

- Overall Score in LOAL =
 - $\text{Score}(\text{Puzzles and Tests}) * \frac{\text{Score}(\text{Exercises})}{2} + 0.55$
- This score and the Java score is then averaged to get a final grade in POSE

COMMUNICATION: MSTEAMS

- For general announcements
and “offline” discussions online

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HOW TO GET A GRADE – TESTS

- Date 1 (winter term): Announced on our Teams chat
- Date 2 (summer term): Announced on our Teams chat
- Weight: 50 %

WHY TO STUDY THEORETICAL INFORMATICS? – PART 2

- Better mathematical knowledge enables to write better software
- Theoretical informatics applied

BETTER MATHEMATICAL KNOWLEDGE I

- Traditional algorithm to calculate the gcd of two integers a and b ($a > 0, b \geq 0$)
 - Calculate the prime factors of a and b
 - Multiply the common prime factors both numbers
-> gcd
- Try it out with $a = 24$ and $b = 16$

BETTER MATHEMATICAL KNOWLEDGE 2

- Euclidean algorithm to calculate the gcd
 - $\gcd(a, 0) = a$
 - $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, a \bmod b)$
- Again try it out with $a = 24$ and $b = 16$

BETTER MATHEMATICAL KNOWLEDGE 3

- Calculate the gcd of 1989 and 867
 - Using prime factors
 - Using Euclid's algorithm with modulo
- Compare the efficiency of these algorithms

THEORETICAL COMPUTER SCIENCE APPLIED

- Formal languages → Compiler construction
- Complexity theory → Efficiency of algorithms
- Cryptography → Computer security
- Production Systems → Game playing, expert systems,
Planning, Robotics
- ANN → Face detection, image analysis