## School of Computing and Information Systems The University of Melbourne

## COMP90049 Knowledge Technologies (Semester 2, 2019)

Workshop exercises: Week 2

- 1. Observe from the lecture slides that we have definitions (of sorts) for **data** and **information**, but no explicit definition of **knowledge** is given. Revise the definitions of the two terms above, and choose salient points of the lecture to define **knowledge** (perhaps in terms of the other two concepts).
- 2. What do we mean when we say **knowledge technologies**?
  - (a) Revise the definition of knowledge tasks, with respect to concrete tasks.
  - (b) Consider the following, and decide into which category you believe they fall, referring to the definition you have decided upon above.
    - i. Multiplying two floating-point numbers in base 16
    - ii. Playing a competitive game of naughts-and-crosses
    - iii. Playing a competitive game of go
    - iv. Playing a competitive game of tennis
    - v. Calculating the trajectory of a thrown book
    - vi. Selecting appropriate counter-measures after someone has thrown a book at you
    - vii. Selecting a book that a given person will enjoy reading
    - viii. Translating a program written in C into Java
    - ix. Translating a document written in Japanese into English
- 3. What are **structured data** and **unstructured data**? Give an example of each, and indicate how you would handle each in a computational setting.

What about **semi-structured data**? Are any of the examples you gave above actually instances of semi-structured data? In what ways is it easier or more challenging to handle semi-structured data?

4. Describe a process through which we might be able to answer the question "Where shall we go for dinner tonight?" using Google (http://www.google.com) as a resource. (We'll touch on some of these elements as the semester goes on.)

5. Revise the following **regular expression** operators:

For each of the following, give a couple of examples of strings which the regular expression would match. Describe (colloquially, in a manner that a non-technical person would understand) the set of strings that the pattern is designed to match.

- (a) /[a-zA-Z]+/
- (b) /^[A-Za-z][a-z]\*\$/
- (c) /p[aeiou]{,2}t/
- (d)  $/\s(\w+)\s\1/$
- 6. Write a regular expression to solve the following problems:
  - (a) Match a price
  - (b) Match an Australian telephone number
  - (c) Remove HTML comments from a document
  - (d) Validate an email address