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## INTRODUCTION TO AI

- *Artificial Intelligence is an exciting scientific discipline that studies how we can make computers exhibit intelligent behavior, e.g. do those things that human . doing.*
- *Originally, computers were invented by Charles Babbage to operate on numbers following a well-defined procedure - an algorithm. Modern computers, even thou, more advanced than the original model proposed in the 19th century, still follow the same idea of controlled computations. Thus it is possible to program a comp something if we know the exact sequence of steps that we need to do in order to achieve the goal.*

## ▪ DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WEAK AI AND STRONG AI

○ *Weak AI (Narrow AI):*

- **Definition:** AI that is designed and trained for a specific task.
  - **Capabilities:** It can **simulate** human intelligence but doesn't truly understand or possess consciousness.
  - **Examples:**  
Voice assistants like **Siri, Alexa**  
Recommendation systems (e.g., Netflix, Amazon)  
Chatbots and image recognition tools
  - ✓ Good at performing one task extremely well
  - ✗ Cannot generalize to other tasks
- **Strong AI (Artificial General Intelligence, AGI):**
- **Definition:** AI with **human-like cognitive abilities**—able to understand, learn, and apply knowledge across a wide range of tasks.
  - **Capabilities:** It would have **consciousness, self-awareness, and true understanding**—not just simulating intelligence.
  - **Examples:** Purely theoretical at this point—**no current system** is truly Strong AI.
  - ✓ Can think, reason, and adapt like a human
  - ✗ Still hypothetical and under research

## ▪ **TURING TEST**

- When speaking about AGI we need to have some way to tell if we have created a truly intelligent system. **Alan Turing** proposed a way called a **Turing Test**, which also a of intelligence. The test compares a given system to something inherently intelligent - a real human being, and because any automatic comparison can be bypassed by program, we use a human interrogator. So, if a human being is unable to distinguish between a real person and a computer system in text-based dialogue - the system intelligent.

- **Different Approaches to AI**

*There are two possible approaches to this problem.*

<b>Top-down Approach (Symbolic Reasoning)</b>	<b>Bottom-up Approach (Neural Networks)</b>
A top-down approach models the way a person reasons to solve a problem. It involves extracting knowledge from a human being, and representing it in a computer-readable form. We also need to develop a way to model reasoning inside a computer.	A bottom-up approach models the structure of a human brain, consisting of a huge number of units called neurons. Each neuron acts like a weighted average of its inputs, and we need a large number of neurons to solve useful problems by providing training data.

*-There are also some other possible approaches to intelligence:*

- **An Emergent, Synergetic or multi-agent approach** are based on the fact that complex intelligent behaviour can be obtained by an interaction of a large number of simple units. According to evolutionary cybernetics, intelligence can emerge from more simple, reactive behaviour in the process of metasystem transition.
- **An Evolutionary approach, or genetic algorithm** is an optimization process based on the principles of evolution.
- **In a top-down approach**, we try to model our reasoning. Because we can follow our thoughts when we reason, we can try to formalize this process and program it inside a computer. This is called **symbolic reasoning**.  
 People tend to have some rules in their head that guide their decision making processes. **For example**, when a doctor is diagnosing a patient, he or she may realize that a fever, and thus there might be some inflammation going on inside the body. By applying a large set of rules to a specific problem a doctor may be able to come up with a diagnosis.  
 This approach relies heavily on knowledge representation and reasoning. Extracting knowledge from a human expert might be the most difficult part, because a doctor would not know exactly why he or she is coming up with a particular diagnosis. Sometimes the solution just comes up in his or her head without explicit thinking. So, determining the age of a person from a photograph, cannot be at all reduced to manipulating knowledge.
- **Bottom-Up Approach**  
 Alternately, we can try to model the simplest elements inside our brain – a neuron. We can construct a so-called artificial neural network inside a computer, and then solve problems by giving it examples. This process is similar to how a newborn child learns about his or her surroundings by making observations.
- **Machine Learning (ML)**
  - How it works: Learns from data and patterns, not from hard-coded rules.
  - Types:**
    - Supervised learning – Learns from labeled examples (e.g., spam vs. not spam)
    - Unsupervised learning – Finds patterns in unlabeled data
    - Reinforcement learning – Learns through trial and error (like training a dog)

✓ Very powerful and flexible

✗ Needs lots of data

## ▪ A Brief History of AI

### • How did AI start?

- In the **1950s**, scientists wanted computers to think like people.
- They used **rules** and **logic** to build programs.
- One big success was **expert systems** — programs that gave advice like a doctor or engineer.
- **BUT** it was hard:
- Writing all the rules was slow.
- Keeping the computer's knowledge updated was too much work.
- So, people lost interest. This was called the **AI Winter** in the **1970s**.
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### • ✨ What changed?

- Computers became **cheaper** and **faster**.
- We got **lots of data** (thanks to the internet).
- Scientists started using **neural networks** — a way for computers to **learn from examples**.
- Neural networks became really good at:
- Recognizing images (computer vision).
- Understanding speech.
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### • 🧑 Chess – A Cool Example

- **Old method:** Computers guessed lots of moves and picked the best one using logic (search and rules).
- **Better method:** Computers learned from past human games (case-based reasoning).
- **Today:** AI learns by **playing with itself** and improving over time using **neural networks + reinforcement learning** (like how humans practice).
- That's how programs like **AlphaZero** can beat world champions!
- ✓ Other games AI learned to play:

- *Go* (AlphaGo beat a world champ!)
- **Poker**
- **StarCraft II**
- **Dota 2**

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## AI FOR BEGINNER PART-2 / SYMBOLIC AI

- **Knowledge Representation and Expert Systems----**

### *What is Knowledge?*

- Knowledge is what we know and understand about the world.
- It's not just information we see or hear — it's what we learn and connect in our minds.
- For example, you read a book (data), understand the meaning (information), and then remember and use it in real life — that' s knowledge.

### *DIKW Pyramid (From Data to Wisdom)*

1. Data – Just raw facts.  
 ■ Example: The word “computer” printed in a book.  
 ► It's just text — doesn't mean anything until someone reads it.
2. Information – When we understand what the data means.  
 🧠 Example: You read “computer” and know it' s a machine.  
 ► Now the word has meaning.
3. Knowledge – When we connect information to what we already know.  
 🔗 Example: You learn how a computer works, what it' s used for, and where to buy one.  
 ► It becomes part of your personal understanding of the world.
4. Wisdom – Knowing how and when to use your knowledge.  
 😊 Example: You decide when using a computer is helpful or why someone might not need one.  
 ► It' s smart decision-making based on knowledge.



## *Classifying Computer Knowledge Representations-----*

### *Network Representations (Semantic Networks)*

- Think of a mind map or a web of ideas.
- In our brain, we connect ideas like:  
"Python → is a → programming language"
- A semantic network does the same thing on a computer — it shows concepts (nodes) and relationships (arrows or edges) between them.

🧠 Example:

[Python] — is —> [Untyped Language]

[Python] — invented by —> [Guido van Rossum]

[Python] — block syntax —> [Indentation]

### ✳ *Object-Attribute-Value Triplets*

- Another way to store this network in a computer is to break each connection into 3 parts:

Object - Attribute - Value

📋 Example:

Object	Attribute	Value
Python	is	Untyped-Language
Python	invented-by	Guido van Rossum

<i>Python</i>	<i>block-syntax</i>	<i>indentation</i>
<i>Untyped-Language</i>	<i>doesn't have</i>	<i>type definitions</i>

- *This is easy for a computer to store, search, and connect.*

### *Hierarchical Representations – Like a Family Tree*

- *We humans think in hierarchies — big categories with smaller ones inside.*
- *Example:*
  - 🐦 *Canary is a Bird*
  - 🐦 *Bird is an Animal*
- *From this, we know:*
- *All birds (including canaries) have wings.*
- *So if something is a bird, it inherits bird properties.*

### *Frame Representation – Like a Form or Template*

- *A frame is like a profile or a form that describes an object.*
- *It has slots, like fields in a form.*
- *Each slot holds values, default values, or even rules.*

### *Example: Frame for Python (programming language)*

<i>Slot</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Default Value</i>	<i>Range or Notes</i>
<i>Name</i>	<i>Python</i>		
<i>Is-A</i>	<i>Untyped-Language</i>		<i>(category it belongs to)</i>
<i>Variable Case</i>		<i>CamelCase</i>	<i>(default case style)</i>
<i>Program Length</i>			<i>5–5000 lines</i>
<i>Block Syntax</i>	<i>Indent</i>		<i>(uses indentation)</i>

### *This is like saying:*

- *Python is an untyped language.*
- *If we don't know the case style, we assume it's CamelCase by default.*
- *Most Python programs are between 5 to 5000 lines.*
- *It uses indentation for blocks.*

### **Procedural Representations – "Knowledge as Actions"**

- In this type, knowledge is stored as a set of actions or steps to take when something happens.
- It's like if-this-happens → then-do-this.

#### 1. Production Rules – IF-THEN Statements

- These are simple rules that help us make decisions.
- Example (Doctor's Rule):
  - 👉 IF a patient has high fever OR high C-reactive protein
  - 👉 THEN they probably have inflammation
- Once we know one part is true, we can use it to conclude something else.

### **2. Algorithms – Step-by-Step Procedures**

- Algorithms are a set of fixed steps to solve a problem.
- Like a recipe in cooking:
  - Step 1: Boil water
  - Step 2: Add pasta
  - Step 3: Cook for 10 minutes
- 💡 But in AI, algorithms aren't used much as direct knowledge – they're more for programming, not for understanding "facts."

#### 3. Logic – Representing Universal Knowledge

- Logic is a **formal way to represent facts and reasoning**.
- It started with **Aristotle**, who tried to describe how humans think using rules.

#### **Types of Logic Used in AI:**

##### ▶ Predicate Logic

- Used to describe facts like:
  - 👉 "All birds can fly" or "Socrates is a man"
- It's very powerful, but too complex for computers to handle fully.
- ✅ So we use simpler parts, like Horn clauses (used in Prolog).

##### ▶ Description Logic

- Used to describe hierarchies and relationships between objects.
- Commonly used in the Semantic Web to define and connect knowledge online.



