

# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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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 though 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 computer to do 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:

Top-down Approach (Symbolic Reasoning)	Bottom-up Approach (Neural Networks)
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 patient has 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**.

### • ✨ 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.

### • ♟️ 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

Python	block-syntax	indentation
Untyped-Language	doesn't have	type definitions

- 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)*

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

### *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.



