

CS 348: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

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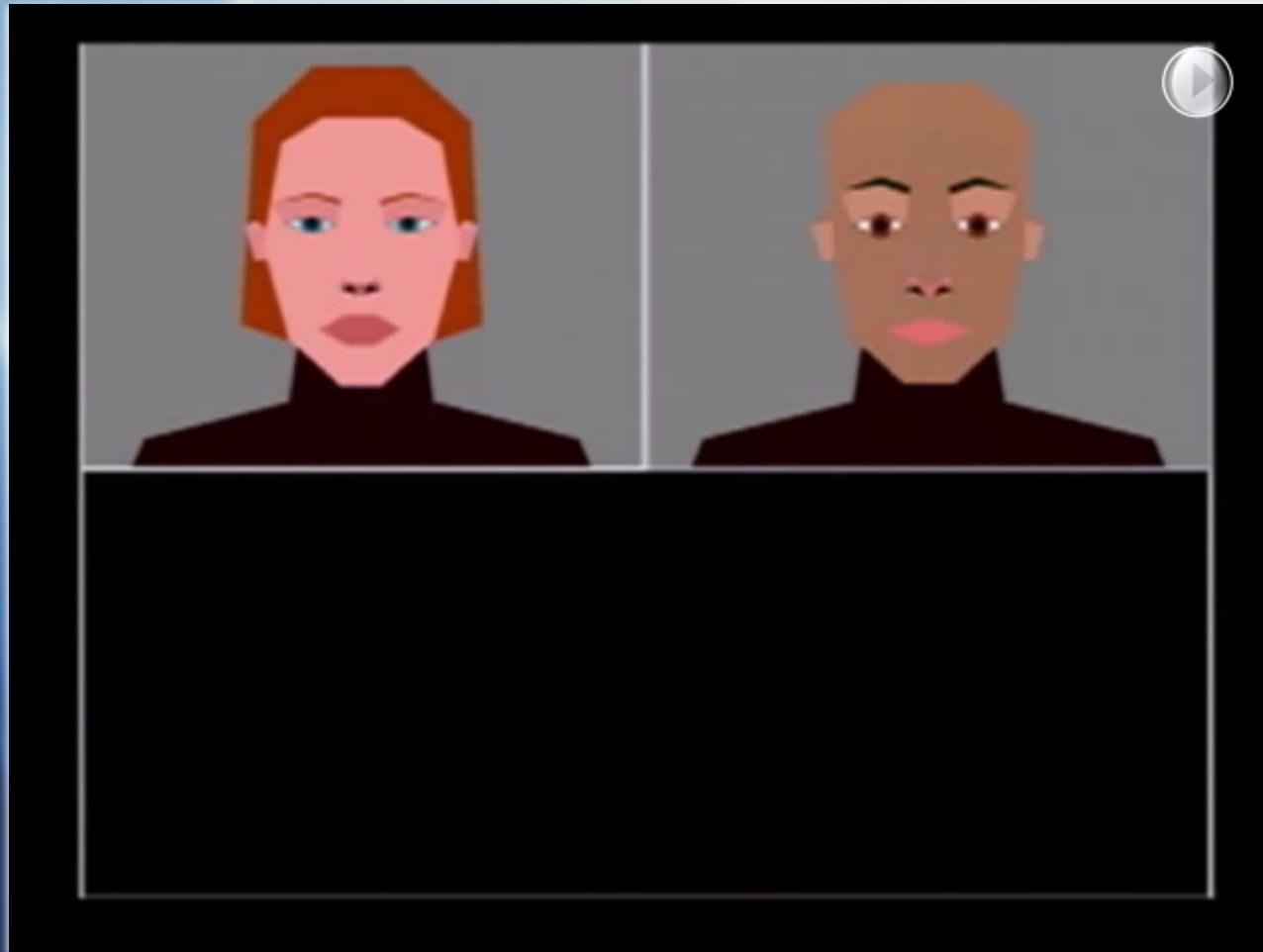
Today

- Introductions
 - Me
 - This course
 - Python, briefly

Me

- What to call me?
 - Sara
 - Professor Sood
- PhD @ NU
- Pomona College

Buzz



News at Seven



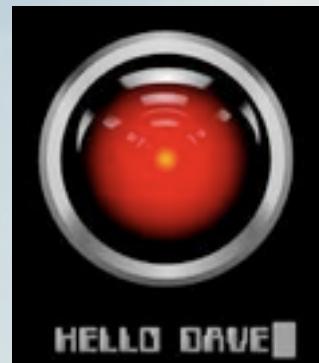
In this course...

- Apply basic Artificial Intelligence techniques...
- ...to solve real-world (current day) Artificial Intelligence problems, and in the process...
- ...appreciate how HARD Artificial Intelligence really is (and why)

AI is a HUGE field

- “Building programs that enable computers to do what humans can do.”
- Ex: read, walk around, play games, solve problems, learn, have conversations.

How is AI viewed in popular media?



GREETINGS PROFESSOR FALKEN
HELLO

A STRANGE GAME.
THE ONLY WINNING MOVE IS
NOT TO PLAY.

HOW ABOUT A NICE GAME OF CHESS?



What are the goals of AI? How do we measure success?

Think like a human Cognitive Modeling	Think rationally Logic-based Systems
Act like a human Turing Test	Act rationally Rational Agents



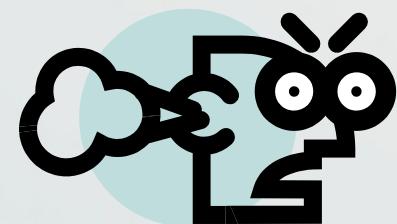
Natural Language

- Understanding
 - Speech recognition
 - Natural language processing
- Generation
 - Natural language generation
 - Speech & gesture generation
 - LOQUENDO KATE DEMO



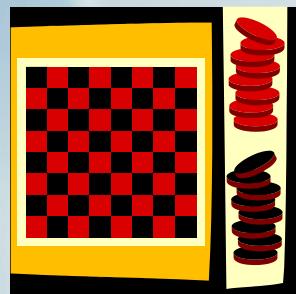
Knowledge Representation: Common Sense

- What would happen if I dropped my computer on the ground (and how do you think I would react?)
- How do you get common sense into a computer?
- Opencyc.org and OMCS (OpenMindCommonSense)
- How many facts?

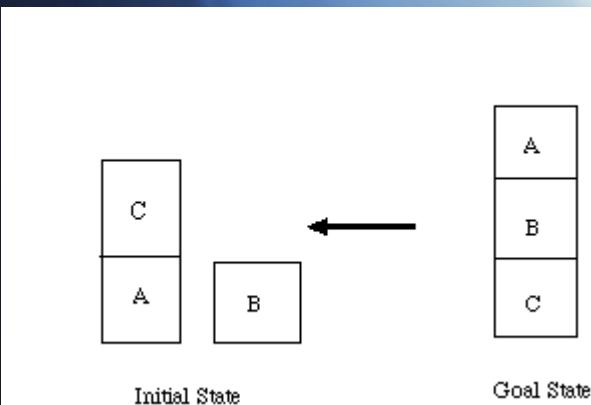


Automated Reasoning

Game playing



Planning



Route Finding

A screenshot of a Mozilla Firefox browser window showing Google Maps. The search bar indicates a route from "Claremont, CA 91711" to "disneyland". The map displays a route on CA-57 leading through Claremont, West Covina, Diamond Bar, Rowland Heights, La Puente, Walnut, Chino Hills, Chino, and finally to Anaheim, where Disneyland is located. Various roads like 210, 60, and 91 are also visible. A legend at the bottom left shows distances: 2 mi, 15 km, and 1 mi.

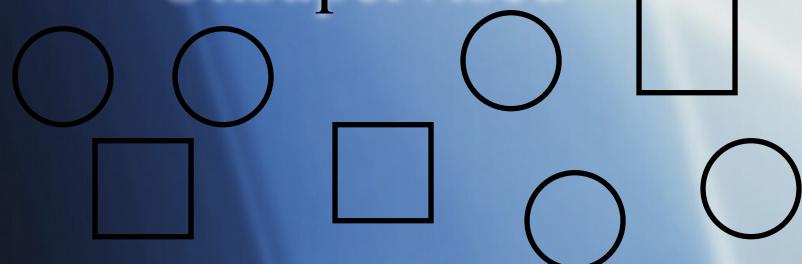
Learning

- What does it mean for the computer to learn?
 - Supervised

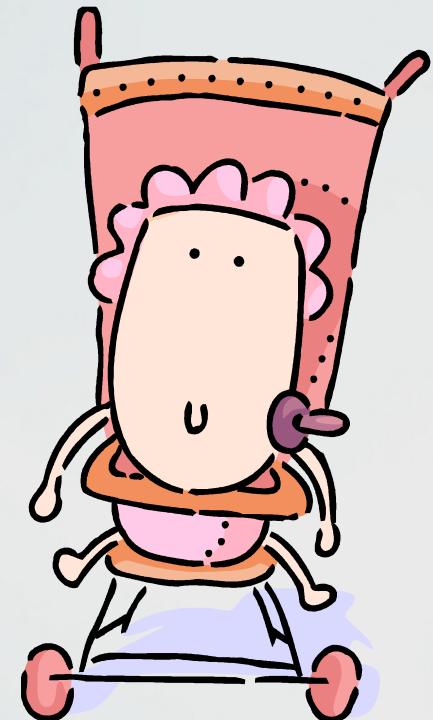
“circle” “square” “circle” “square” ...



- Unsupervised



“group these into two categories”



Perception

- Visual Image Understanding
- Task: find the table



Robotics

- Do you have to be smart to walk?



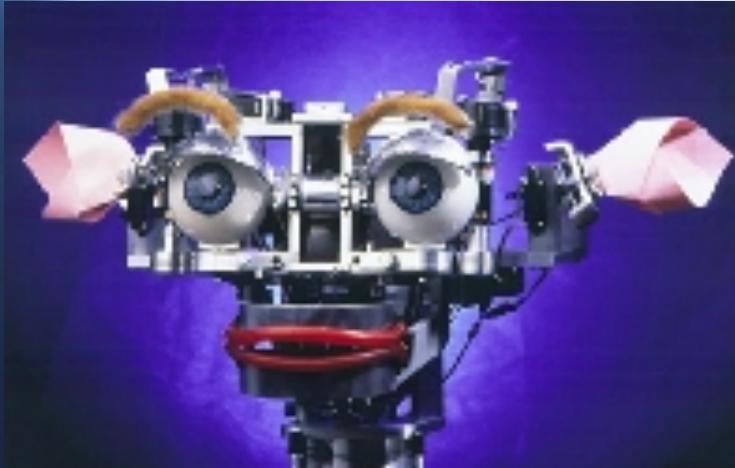
Sony QRIO

MIT Leg Lab: D. Paluska et al.

<http://www.ai.mit.edu/projects/leglab/robots/robots.html>

Emotions

- Kismet, C. Breazeal, MIT



(image courtesy of P. Menzel)



Timeline of AI history

<http://aitopics.net/BriefHistory>

Course Logistics - syllabus

Introduction to Python

`dir` and `help`!

provide all of the `methods` and `data` members available to an object

```
help(listSearch)  
dir("foo")  
help("foo".split)  
dir(str)  
help(str.split)  
dir(42)  
dir([])
```

No memorizing! Just
use `dir` & `help`...