

CS360: AI & Robotics

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Artificial Intelligence



We call ourselves

Homo sapiens

What does this mean?

What is AI?



Systems that think like humans	Systems that think rationally
Systems that act like humans	Systems that act rationally

Acting Humanly



The Turing Test 0 90-62K \bigcirc 0 0

What Things Does a Computer Need to Pass?



- Natural Language Processing
- Knowledge Representation
- Automated Reasoning
- Machine Learning

Total Turing Test



Computer Vision



Turing Test



Still relevant today

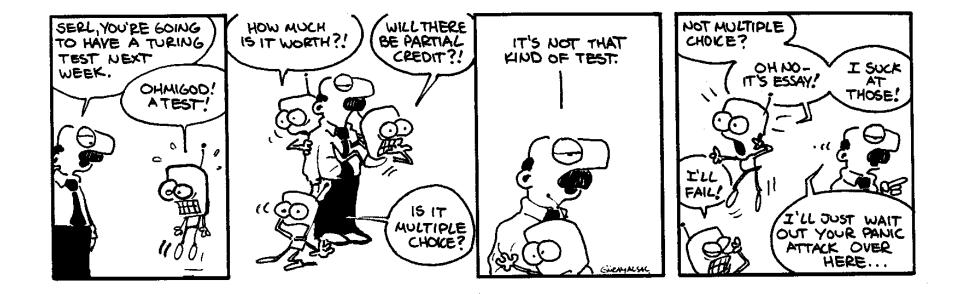
- AI researchers devote little effort to achieving the Turing test
- Why?
 - Underlying principles are more important
 - Wright brothers succeeded in flying after they stopped imitating birds

Critics of the Turing Test



- Needlessly constrains machine intelligence to fit a human mold
 - Do we really want a machine that is bad at mathematics?
- Does not test abilities requiring perceptual skill or manual dexterity





Thinking Humanly



- General Problem Solver (GPS) by Newell and Simon
- Compare the trace of its reasoning steps to traces of human subjects solving the same problems
- Field of Cognitive Science
- Get inside the human mind through
 - Introspection
 - Psychological Experiments

Thinking Rationally



The 'laws of thought' approach

Socrates is a man; all men are moral; therefore, Socrates is mortal"

Two problems:

- > Hard to state informal knowledge in formal terms
- Problems with a few dozen facts can exhaust the computational resources of a computer

Acting Rationally



The rational agent approach

Agent is different from a program

- Operating under autonomous control
- Perceiving their environment
- Persisting over a long period of time
- Adapting to change

Difference between the laws of though approach and this approach

- There are ways of acting rationally that do not involve logic
- Recoiling from a hot stove

AI Fundamentals



- Two fundamental components of AI
 - Knowledge Representation
 - Search

AI Application Areas



- Game Playing
 - State search for tic-tac-toe
- Automated Reasoning
- Expert Systems
 - Knowledge Engineer
 - DENDRAL MYCIN
 - Difficulties include:
 - ✓ Lack of deep knowledge
 - ✓ Lack of flexibility
 - ✓ No deep explanations
 - ✓ Little learning from experience
 - Difficulties in verification

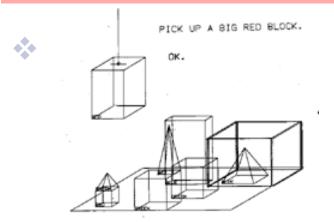
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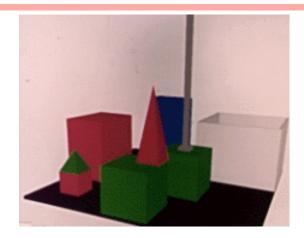


- Natural Language Understanding
 - Parsing sentences
 - Knowing discourse and idioms
 - With none down in the top of the ninth and the go-ahead run at second, the manager called his relief from the bull pen'
 - > SHRDLU (1973)

SHRDLU







Person: PICK UP A BIG RED BLOCK.

Computer: OK. (does it)

Person: GRASP THE PYRAMID.

Computer: I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHICH PYRAMID YOU MEAN.

Person: FIND A BLOCK WHICH IS TALLER THAN THE ONE YOU ARE HOLDING AND PUT IT INTO THE BOX.

Computer: BY "IT", I ASSUME YOU MEAN THE BLOCK WHICH IS TALLER THAN THE ONE I AM HOLDING.

Computer: OK. (does it)

Person: WHAT DOES THE BOX CONTAIN?

Computer: THE BLUE PYRAMID AND THE BLUE BLOCK.

Person: WHAT IS THE PYRAMID SUPPORTED BY?

Computer: THE BOX.

AI Application Areas



- Planning and Robotics
 - Planning

✓ Robots perform tasks with some flexibility and responsiveness

- Machine Learning
 - Playing Chess

AI Programming Languages



LISP

famous proposal for the Darmouth Summer Research Project on Artificial Intelligence by McCarthy -- dated the 31st of August 1955 - contains a research program for McCarthy which is devoted to this question: "During next year and during the Summer Research Project on Artificial Intelligence, I propose to study the relation of language to intelligence ..."

PROLOG

- Prolog invented (about 1972) by the AI researcher Alan Colmeraurer