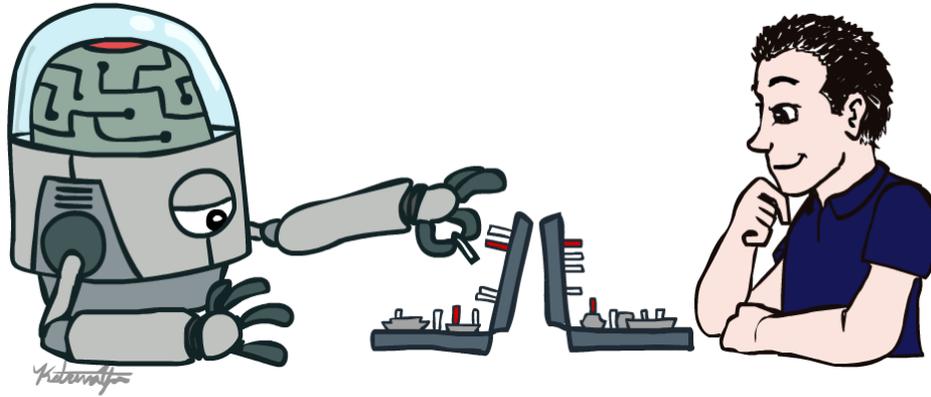


# CS 188: Artificial Intelligence

## Introduction



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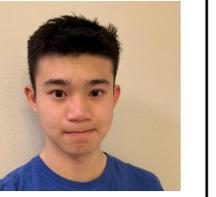
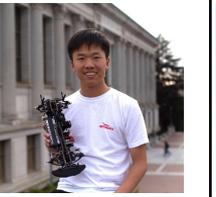
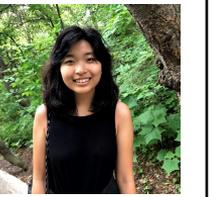
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Syllabus Policies Projects Schedule Staff Piazza

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**CS 188 | Introduction to Artificial Intelligence**  
Spring 2021

Lectures: Mon/Wed/Fri 3:00–3:59 pm, Online



**Description**

This course will introduce the basic ideas and techniques underlying the design of intelligent computer systems. A specific emphasis will be on the statistical and decision-theoretic modeling paradigm.

By the end of this course, you will have built autonomous agents that efficiently make decisions in fully informed, partially observable and adversarial settings. Your agents will draw inferences in uncertain environments and optimize actions for arbitrary reward structures. Your machine learning algorithms will classify handwritten digits and photographs. The techniques you learn in this course apply to a wide variety of artificial intelligence problems and will serve as the foundation for further study in any application area you choose to pursue.

See the syllabus for slides, deadlines, and the lecture schedule. Readings refer to [fourth edition of AIMA](#) unless otherwise specified.

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**Syllabus**

W	Date	Lecture Topic	Readings	Section	Homework	Project
	W 1/20	Intro to AI [pdf] [recording]	Ch. 1	N/A	HW0 Diagnostic	Project 0

## ■ Communication:

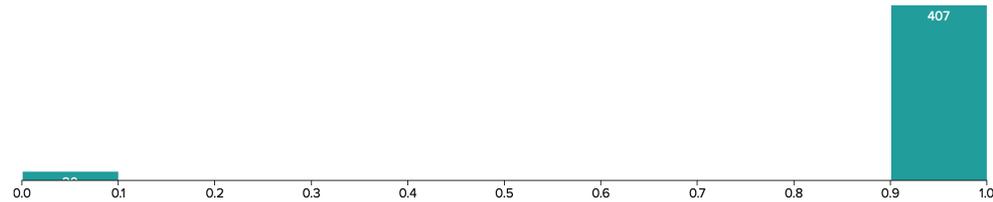
- Announcements, questions on Piazza
- Staff email: [cs188@berkeley.edu](mailto:cs188@berkeley.edu)
- Office hours:
  - Stuart: Monday 9-10.30, Thursday 1-2
  - Dawn: Tuesday 4-5pm from March 15
- Sections start next week

## ■ Work:

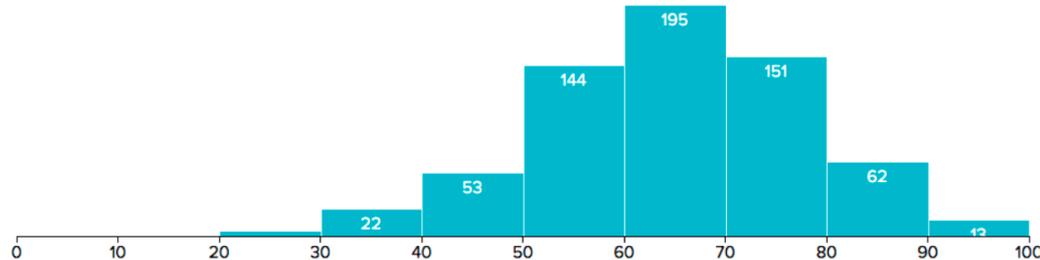
- Projects (25%), homework (10% + 10%)
  - P0 (Python) due 1/22, HW0 (math) due 1/25
- Midterm (20%), final (35%)
- Participation up to 1% extra (**be nice!**)
- Fixed grading scale (85% A, 80% A-, etc.)

# Some Historical Statistics

- Homework and projects: instruction (iterate/learn till you nailed it)



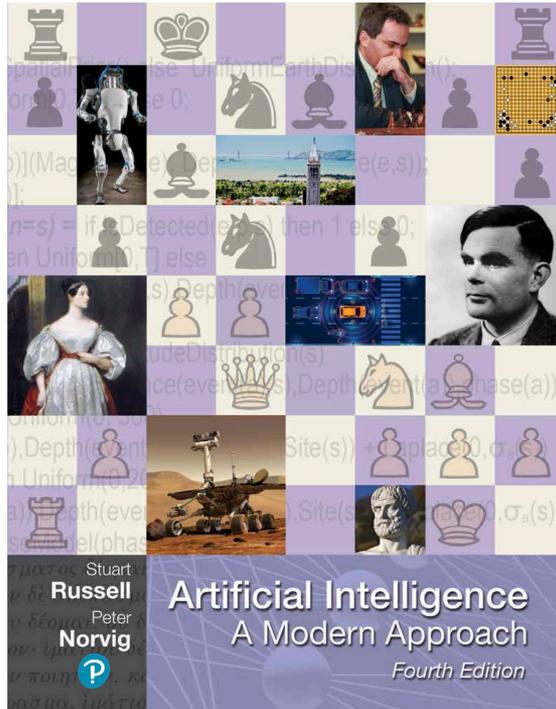
- Exams: assessment



# Textbook

Russell & Norvig, AI: A Modern Approach, 4<sup>th</sup> Ed.

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# Policies (see website)

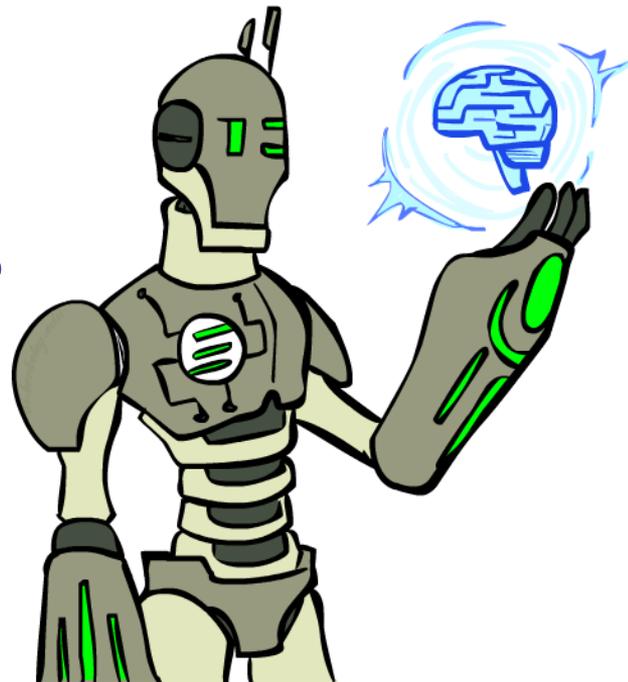
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- For online lectures:
  - Camera on, mic off
  - Please do ask questions: “Hand Up” or write in Chat
  - Will occasionally split into multiple zoom rooms for collaborative problem-solving
- We (staff) are here to help
  - Please do observe academic integrity policies!
  - Please don't exclude your fellow students!

# Today

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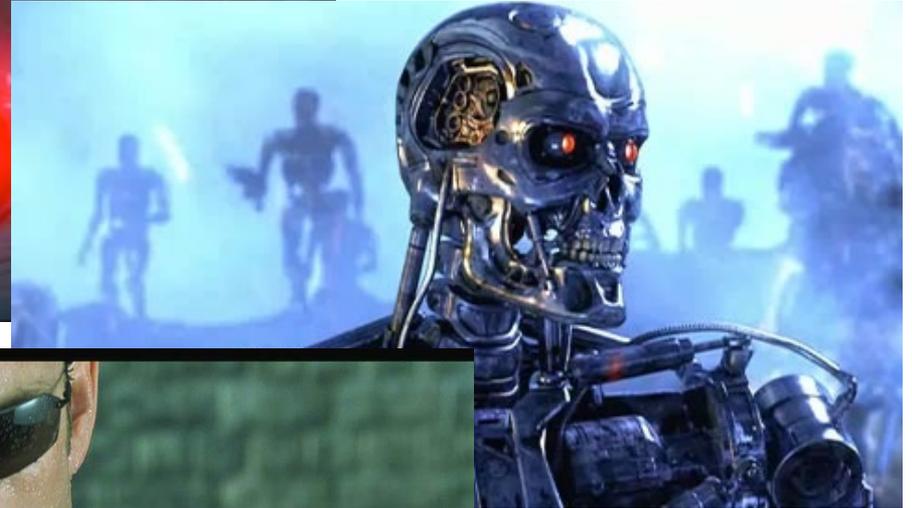
- What is artificial intelligence?
- Past: how did the ideas in AI come about?
- Present: what is the state of the art?
- Future: will robots take over the world?



# Movie AI



# Movie AI



YESTERDAY DR. WILL CASTER WAS ONLY HUMAN

JOHNNY DEPP REBECCA HALL PAUL BETTANY KATE MARA CILLIAN MURPHY AND MORGAN FREEMAN

# TRANSCENDENCE

ALCON ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS A WOLFGANG PETERSEN FILM A STRAIGHT UP FILMS PRODUCTION A FILM BY WALLY PFISTER JOHNNY DEPP MORGAN FREEMAN "TRANSCENDENCE" REBECCA HALL KATE MARA CILLIAN MURPHY PAUL BETTANY AND PAUL BETTANY  
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DIRECTED BY WALLY PFISTER  
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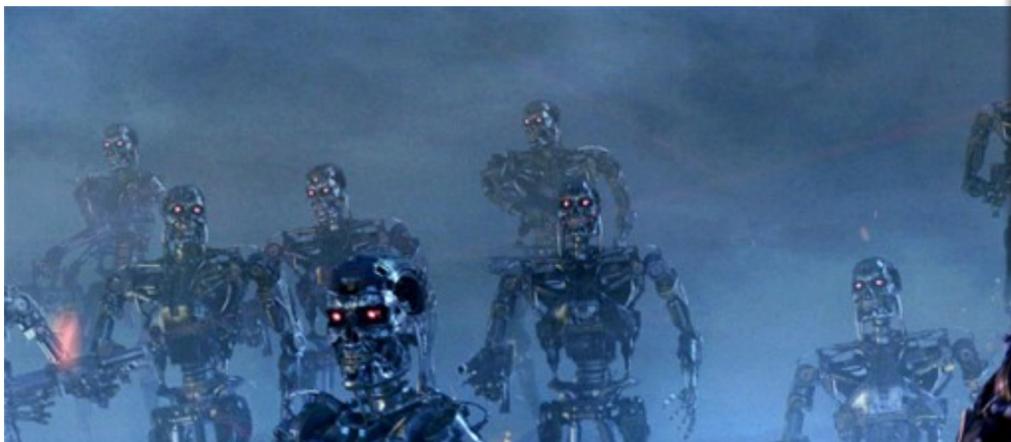
AI is the biggest risk we face as a civilisation, Elon Musk says

## Billionaire burn: Musk says Zuckerberg's understanding of AI threat is limited

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### 'Sociopathic' robots could overrun the human race a generation

Computers should be trained to serve humans to reduce their threat to the human race, says a leading expert on artificial intelligence



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## Lifelike 'Sophia' Robot Granted Citizenship to Saudi Arabia

By Mindy Weisberger, Senior Writer | October 30, 2017 03:39pm ET

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## United Kingdom Plans \$1.3 Billion Intelligence Push

France to spend \$1.8 billion on compete with U.S., China

EU wants to invest £18b development

## China's Got a Huge Artificial Intelligence Plan

### 'Whoever leads in AI will rule the world': Putin to Russian children on Knowledge Day

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# News AI

NATURAL 'PROZAC': DOES IT REALLY WORK?

## IBM's Watson Jeopardy Computer Shuts Down Humans in Final Game

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### 'I'm in shock!' How world's best hum



Who is Stoker?  
(I FOR ONE WELCOME OUR  
NEW COMPUTER OVERLORDS)

## Blizzard will show off Google's Deepmind AI in StarCraft 2 later this week

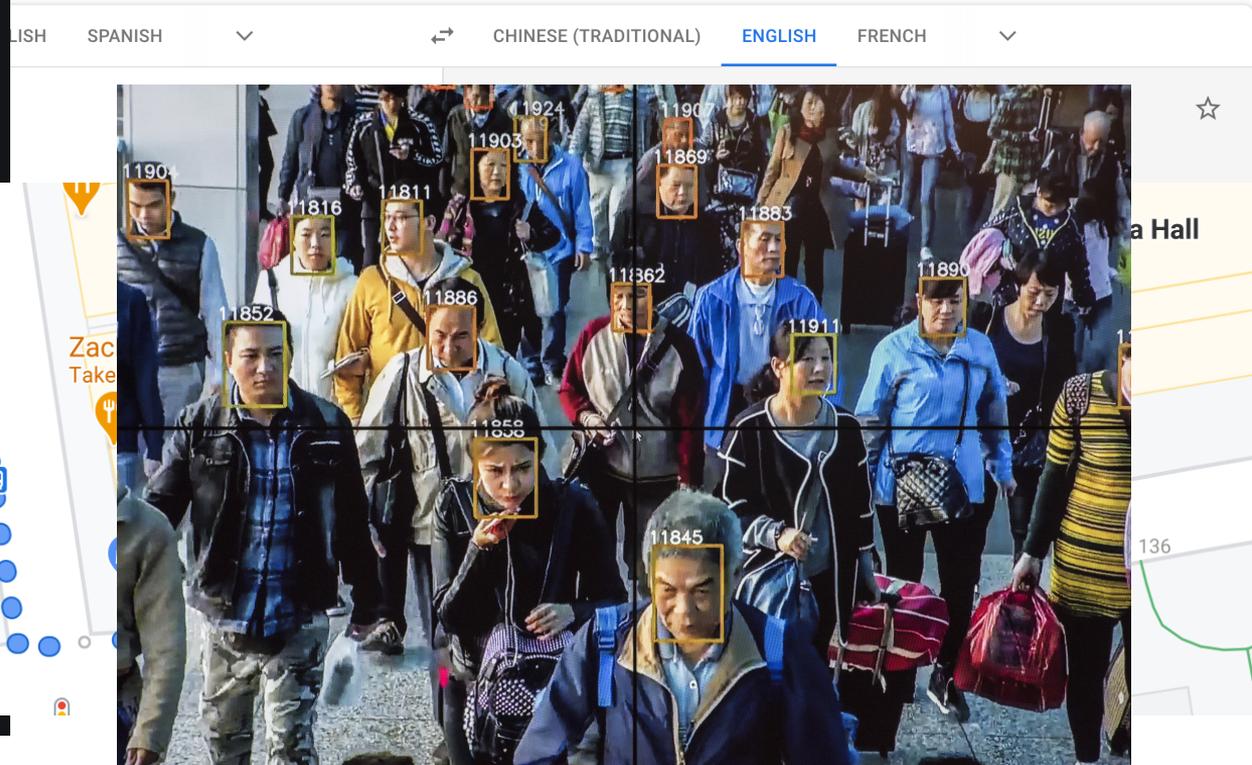
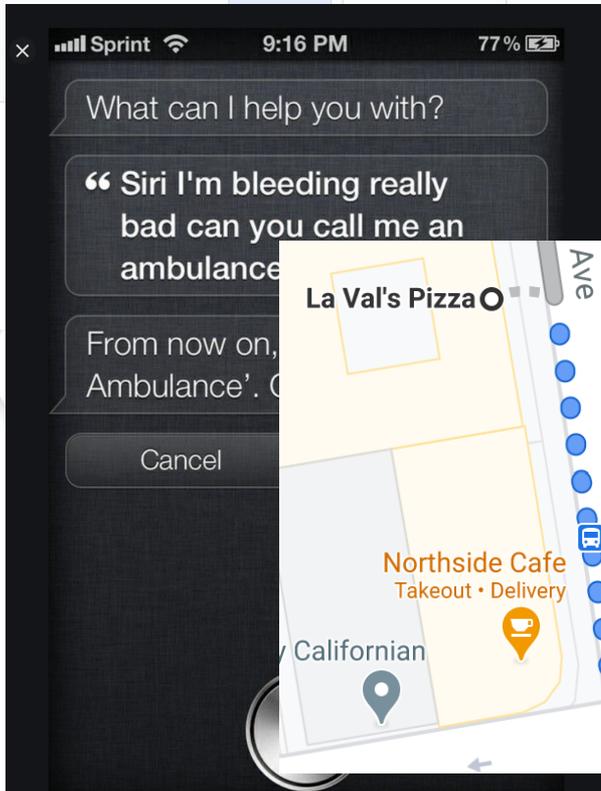
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Google and Blizzard launched the artificial intelligence project in 2016.

COMMENTS



# Real AI





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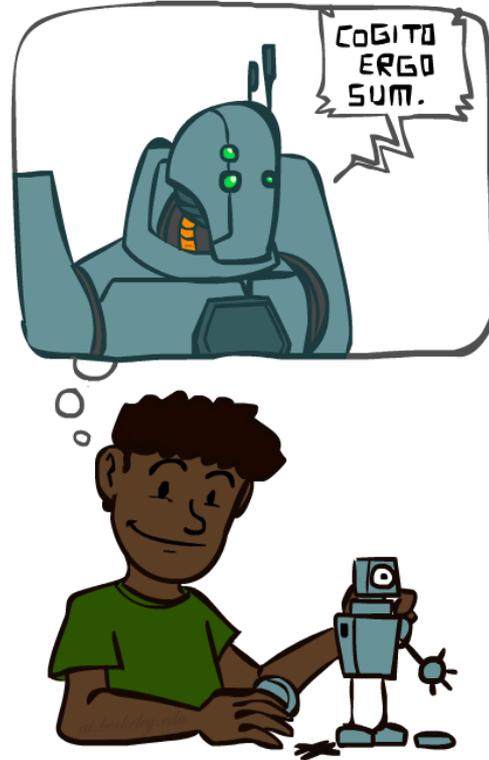




Boston Dynamics



# A (Short) History of AI



# A short prehistory of AI

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- Prehistory:

- **Philosophy** (reasoning, planning, learning, science, automation)

- Aristotle: For if every instrument could accomplish its own work, obeying or anticipating the will of others . . . if, in like manner, the shuttle would weave and the plectrum touch the lyre without a hand to guide them, chief workmen would not want servants, nor masters slaves

- **Psychology** (learning, cognitive models)

- **Linguistics** (grammars, formal representation of meaning)

- Near miss (1842):

- Babbage design for universal machine
- Lovelace: “a thinking machine” for “all subjects in the universe.”

# AI's official birth: Dartmouth, 1956

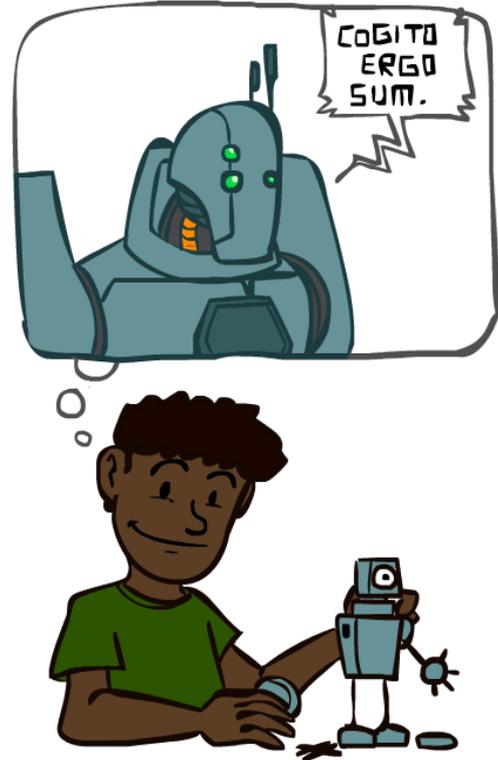


“An attempt will be made to find how to make machines use language, form abstractions and concepts, solve kinds of problems now reserved for humans, and improve themselves. ***We think that a significant advance can be made if we work on it together for a summer.***”

**John McCarthy and Claude Shannon  
Dartmouth Workshop Proposal**

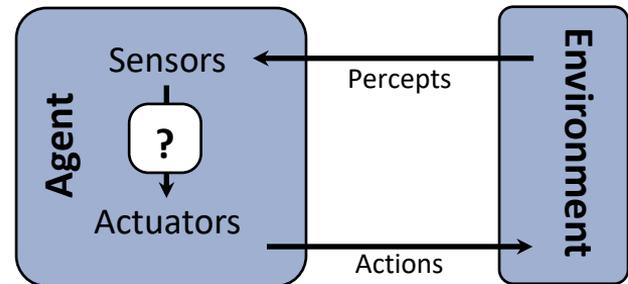
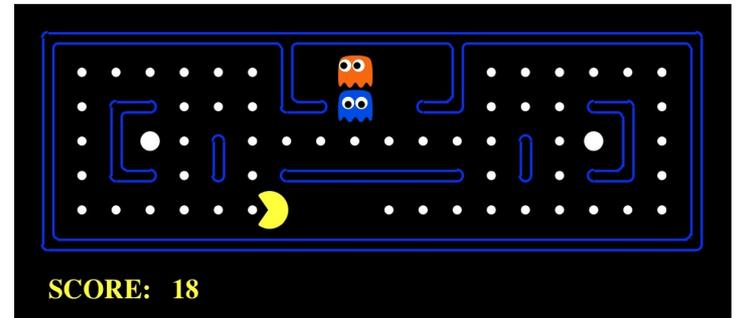
# A (Short) History of AI

- **1940-1950: Early days**
  - 1943: McCulloch & Pitts: Boolean circuit model of brain
  - 1950: Turing's "Computing Machinery and Intelligence"
- **1950—70: Excitement: Look, Ma, no hands!**
  - 1950s: Early AI programs: chess, checkers (RL), theorem proving
  - 1956: Dartmouth meeting: "Artificial Intelligence" adopted
  - 1965: Robinson's complete algorithm for logical reasoning
- **1970—90: Knowledge-based approaches**
  - 1969—79: Early development of knowledge-based systems
  - 1980—88: Expert systems industry booms
  - 1988—93: Expert systems industry busts: "AI Winter"
- **1990— 2012: Statistical approaches + subfield expertise**
  - Resurgence of probability, focus on uncertainty
  - General increase in technical depth
  - Agents and learning systems... "AI Spring"?
- **2012— \_\_\_\_: Excitement: Look, Ma, no hands again?**
  - Big data, big compute, deep learning
  - AI used in many industries



# AI as Designing Rational Agents

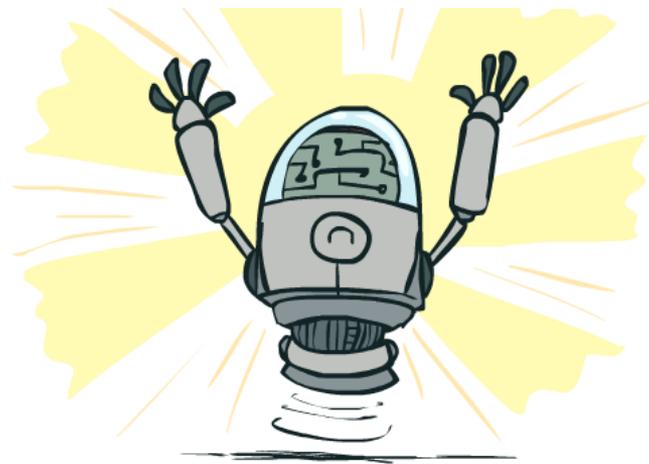
- An **agent** is an entity that *perceives* and *acts*.
- A **rational agent** selects actions that maximize its expected utility.
- Characteristics of the **sensors, actuators, and environment** dictate techniques for selecting rational actions
- **This course** is about:
  - General AI techniques for many problem types
  - Learning to choose and apply the technique appropriate for each problem



# What Can AI Do?

Quiz: Which of the following can be done at present?

- ✓ Play a decent game of table tennis?
- ✓ Play a decent game of Jeopardy?
- ✓ Drive safely along a curving mountain road?
- ✗ Drive safely along Telegraph Avenue?
- ✓ Buy a week's worth of groceries on the web?
- ✗ Buy a week's worth of groceries at Berkeley Bowl?
- ? Discover and prove a new mathematical theorem?
- ✗ Converse successfully with another person for an hour?
- ? Perform a surgical operation?
- ✓ Translate spoken Chinese into spoken English in real time?
- ? Fold the laundry and put away the dishes?
- ✗ Write an intentionally funny story?



# Unintentionally Funny Stories

Once upon a time a tired man and a vain crow were sitting in his tree, holding their mouths full of cheese. He noticed a piece of cheese had fallen and the crow swallowed it. The man said, "The crow is a bungee jumper."



**Janelle Shane**

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Tried retraining the neural net on just "what do you get when you cross a X with a X?" jokes. Results did not improve. And for some reason, bungees are its favorite thing.

What do you get when you cross a dog and a vampire?

A bungee

What do you get when you cross a cow with a rhino?

A bungee with a dog

What do you get when you cross a street and a cow?

A bungee with a bungee and a rhino

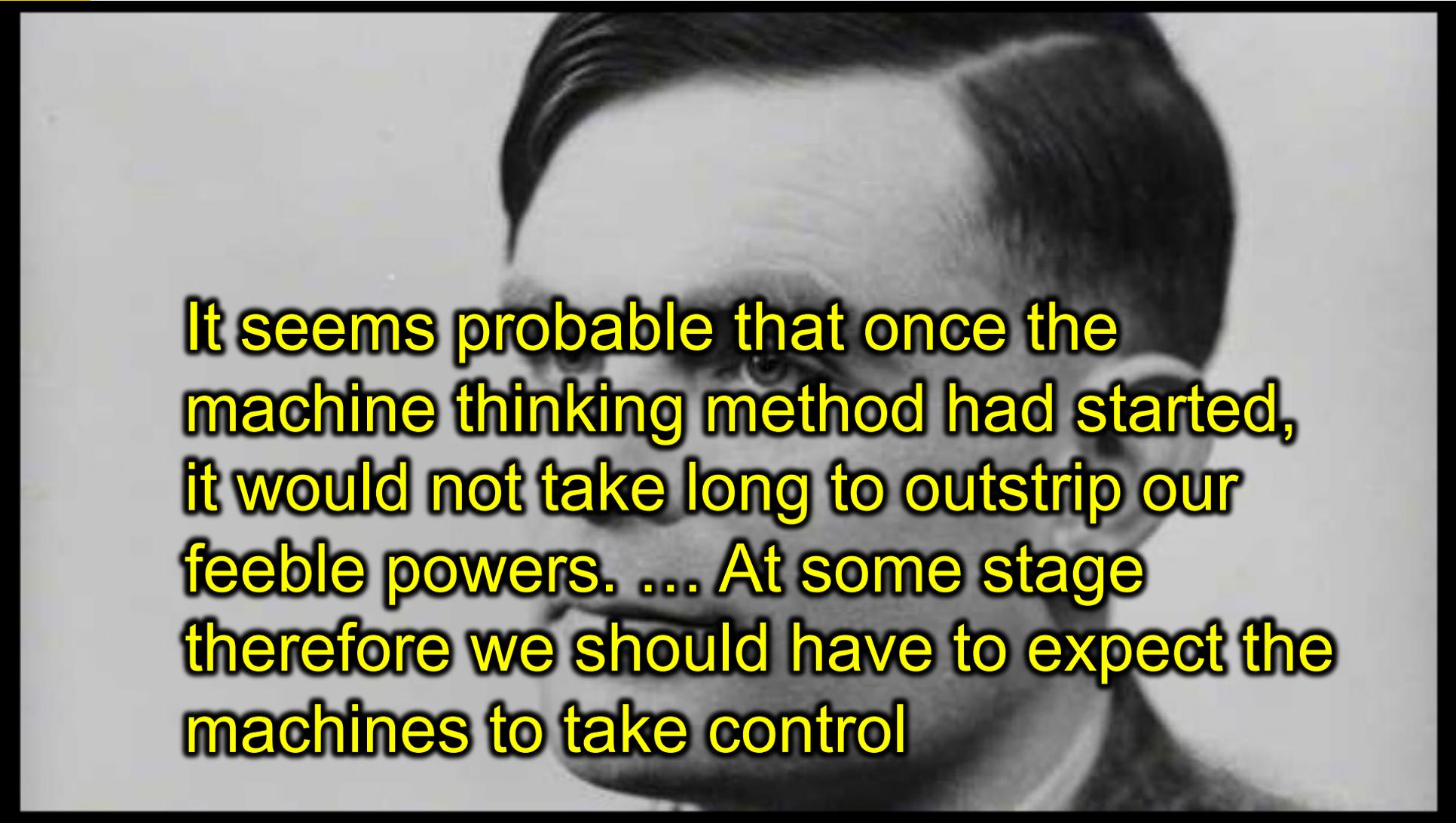
What do you get when you cross a pig with a cow with a party?

Because the engineers with a dog

# Future

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- We are doing AI...
  - To create intelligent systems
    - The more intelligent, the better
  - To gain a better understanding of human intelligence
  - To magnify those benefits that flow from it
    - E.g., net present value of human-level AI  $\geq$  \$13,500T
    - Might help us avoid war and ecological catastrophes, achieve immortality and expand throughout the universe
- What if we succeed?



It seems probable that once the machine thinking method had started, it would not take long to outstrip our feeble powers. ... At some stage therefore we should have to expect the machines to take control

# What's bad about better AI?

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- AI that is incredibly good at achieving something other than what we really want
- AI, economics, statistics, operations research, control theory all assume utility to be *fixed, known, and exogenously specified*
  - ~~Machines are intelligent to the extent that their actions can be expected to achieve their objectives~~
  - Machines are *beneficial* to the extent that *their* actions can be expected to achieve *our* objectives

# A new model for AI

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1. The machine's only objective is to maximize the realization of human preferences
2. The robot is initially uncertain about what those preferences are
3. Human behavior provides evidence about human preferences

The standard model of AI is a special case, where the human can exactly and correctly program the objective into the machine