Knowledge representation



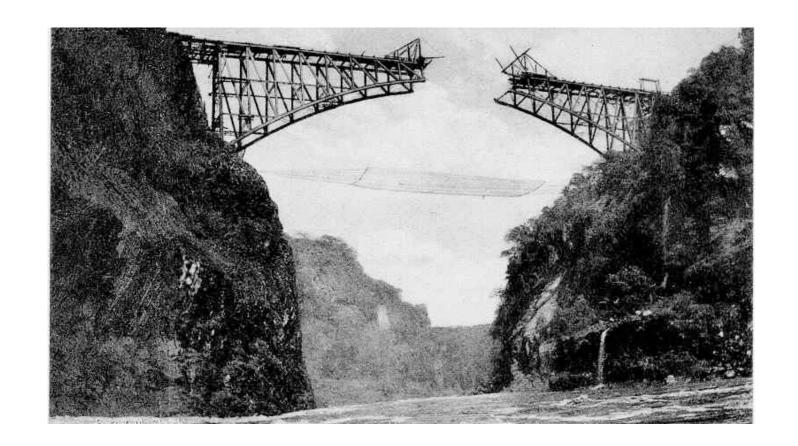
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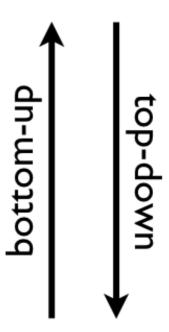
Statistical learning in the nervous system

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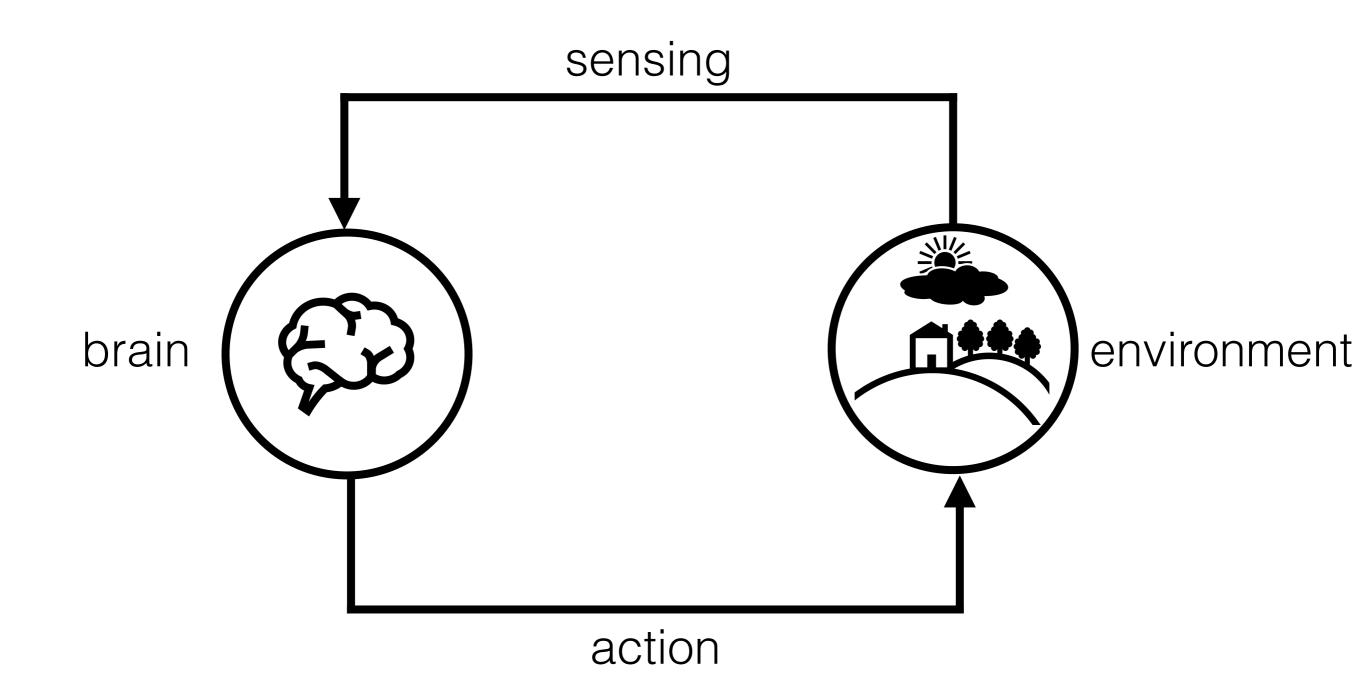
- Computation determining the challenge: through the goals of the biological agent phrasing a mathematical model that is capable of addressing the challenge
- Algorithm solving the challenge can be achieved in many different ways that can be weighed based on different factors
- Implementation physical realization of the algorithm, in the case of neuroscience, based on neurons, spikes, etc

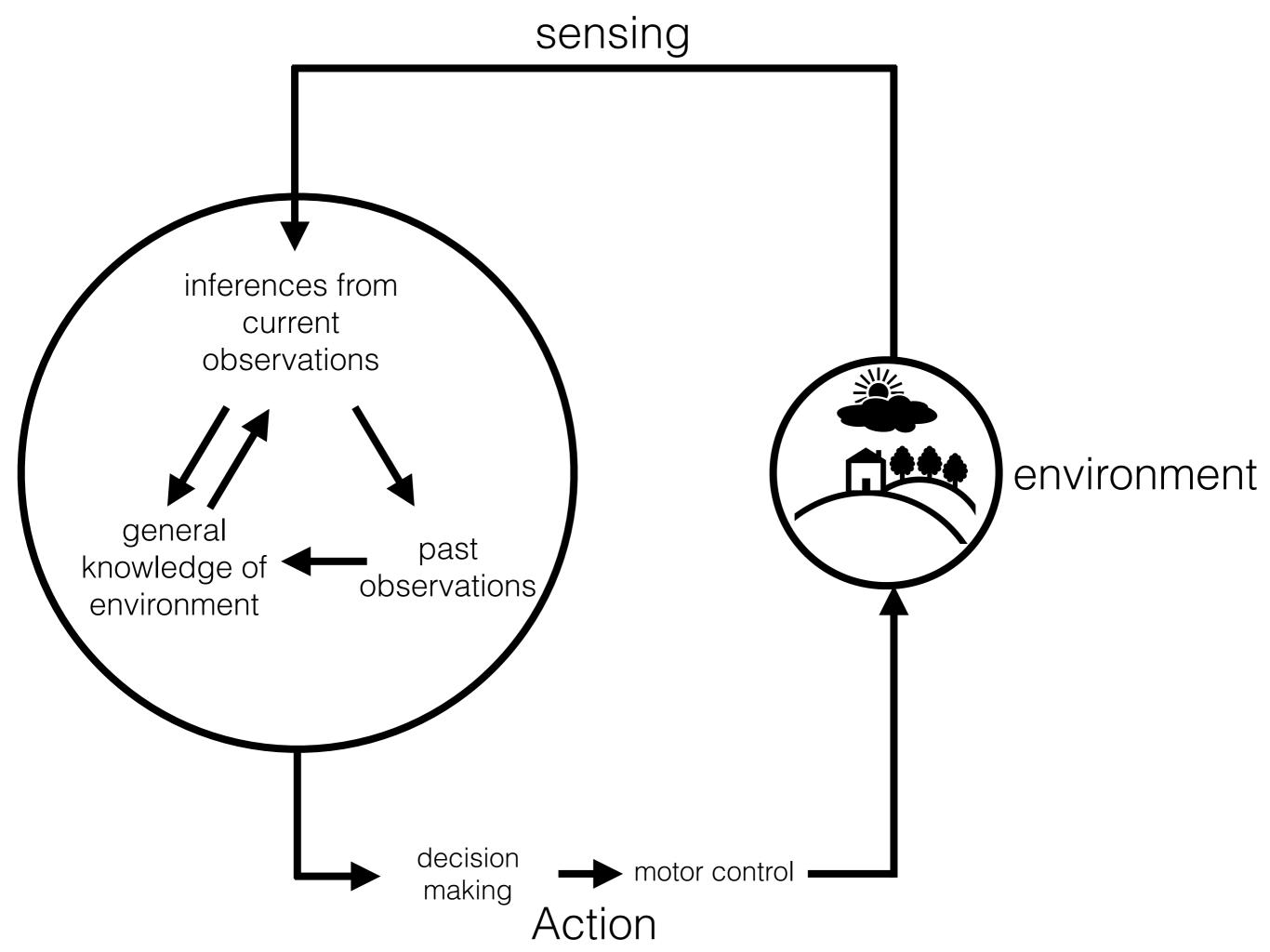


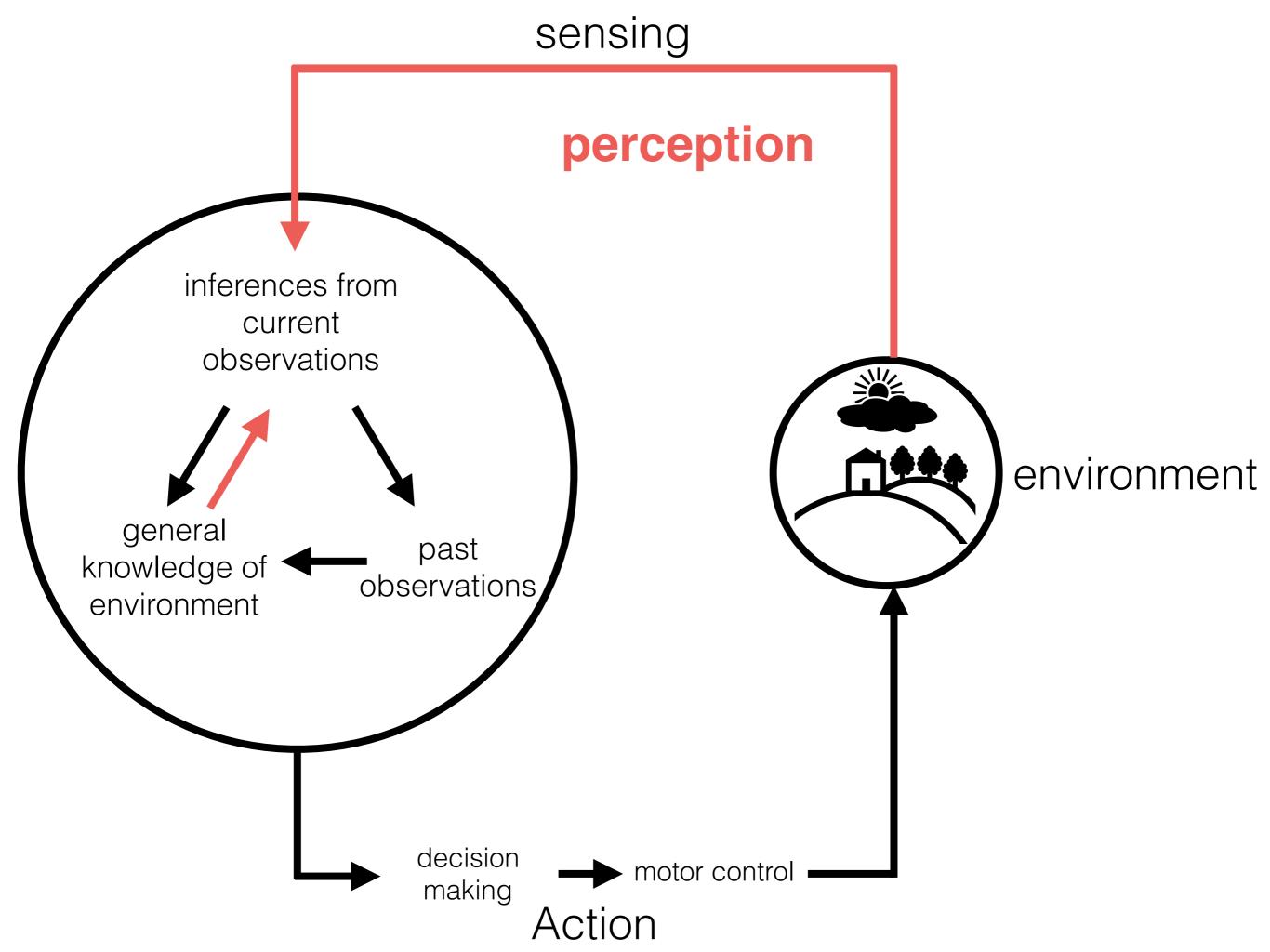


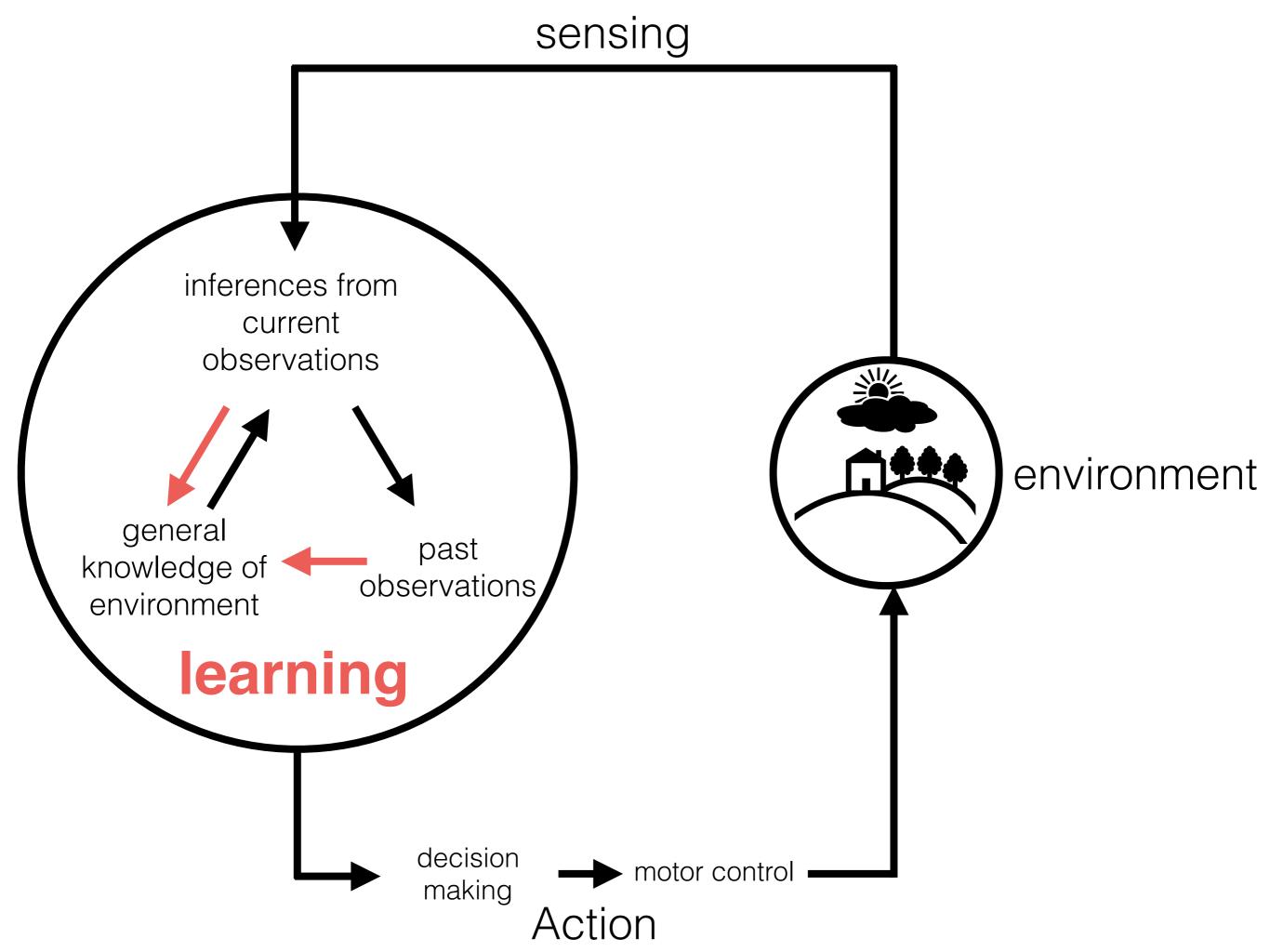
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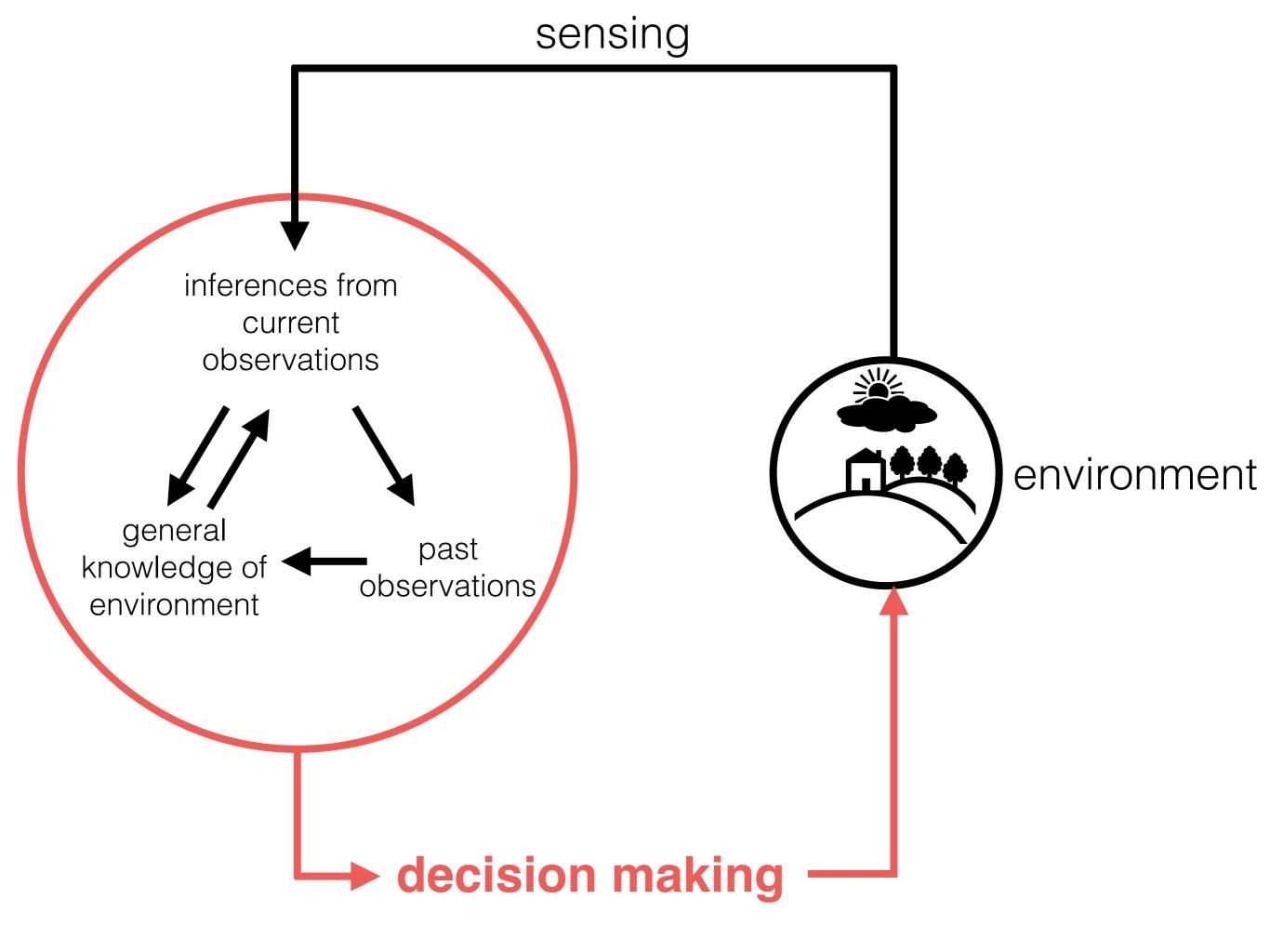
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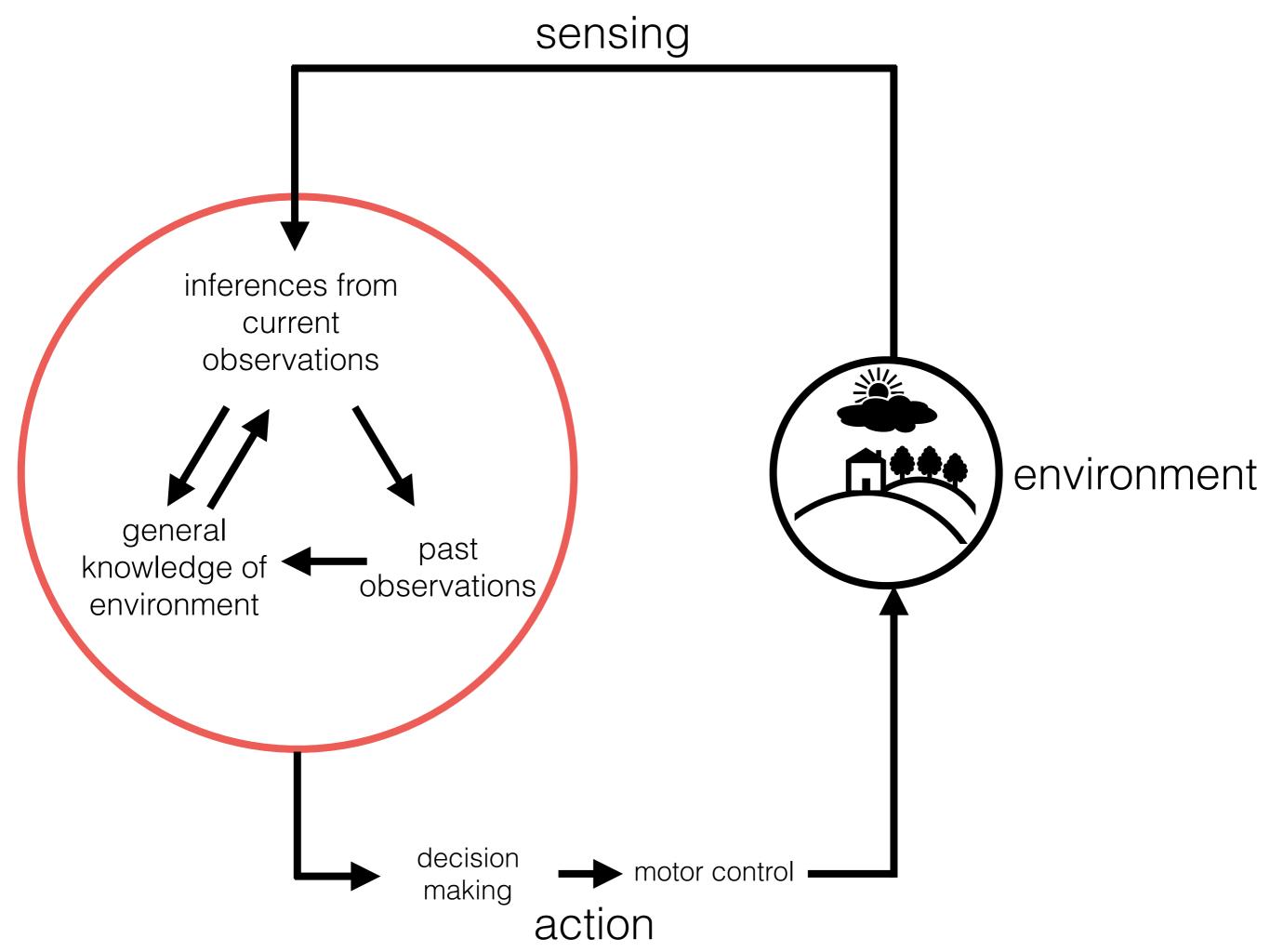












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how do we test knowledge?

Kötelező évszámok

Őskor, ókori Kelet:

100ezer (30ezer) éve – a Homo Sapiens megjelenése

Kr. e. 3000 körül – Alsó- és Felső Egyiptom egyesülésével létrejön az ókori egyiptomi állam

Kr. e. XVIII. sz. – Hammurapi uralkodása, az Óbabiloni Birodalom fénykora

Kr. e. X. sz. – a zsidó állam fénykora Dávid és Salamon idején

Kr. e. 525 – péliuszioni csata, Egyiptom bukása (perzsa uralom alá kerül)

Az ókori Görögország:

Kr. e. XIII. sz. – a dórok támadása, a mükénéi kultúra bukása

Kr. e. 621 – Drakón írásba foglalja a törvényeket Athénban

Kr. e. 508 – Kleiszthenész reformjai Athénban, a demokrácia kialakulása

Kr. e. 480 – szalamiszi csata

Kr. e. 480 – thermopülei csata

Kr. e. 776 – az első olimpiai játékok

Kr. e. 431-404 – peloponnészoszi háború

Kr. e. 336-323 – Nagy Sándor uralkodása

Az ókori Róma:

Kr. e. 753 – Róma alapítása

Kr. e. 510 – a királyság bukása, a köztársaság kezdete

Kr. e. 367 – Sextius-Licinius-féle törvények (földtörvény)

Kr. e. 287 – megszűnik a népgyűlés határozatainak senatusi jóváhagyása

Kr. e. 264-241 – az 1. pun háború

Kr. e. 218-201 – a 2. pun háború

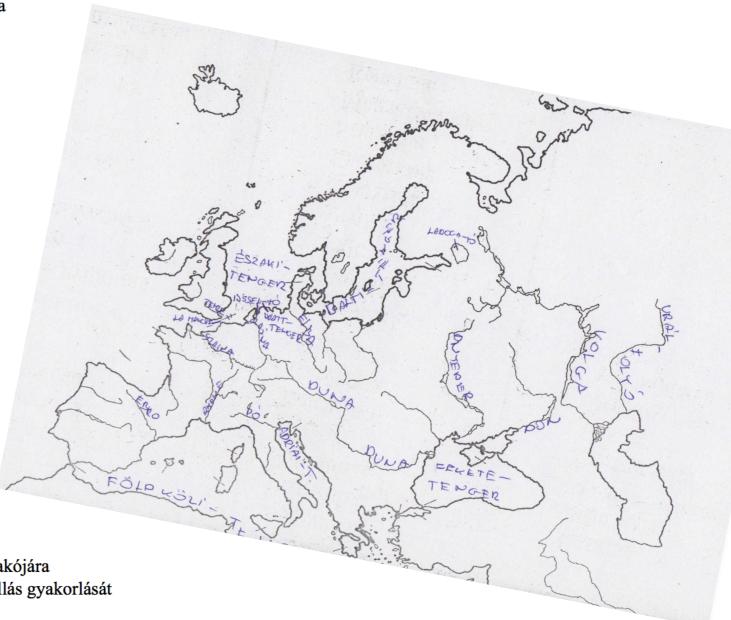
Kr. e. 168 – a püdnai csata, Macedonia meghódítása

212 - Caracalla kiterjeszti a római polgárjogot a birodalom minden szabad lakójára

313 - Nagy Constantinus a milánói edictumban engedélyezi a keresztény vallás gyakorlását

395 - a Római Birodalom kettészakadása

476 – a Nyugat-Római Birodalom bukása



9. Vízcseppek potyogtak a papírra. Írd be, mik lehettek az elmosódott számok!

		3	4	6	7	8				6	3	1	2	3		5	5	6	0	2		1	1	1	1	1
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- how do we test knowledge?
 - can solve previously unseen examples (e.g. addition)
 - can use dates and other knowledge for new inferences
 - can answer "what if" or "what is going to happen" questions

- But we also call it knowledge if the subject
 - can raw an elephant
 - has a good chance of hitting a ball back with a tennis racket
 - can plan quick trips within bp using public transport
 - can tell you the rules of chess
 - can play chess well

- taken together, we have covered a large proportion of possible tests of knowledge.
- assuming that we think of the brain as a physical system,
- how could we build a physical system that would pass these tests?
 - let us look at an early example where we are interested in the movements of celestial bodies such as the sun and the moon

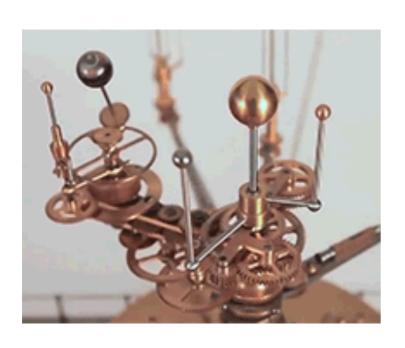
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Antikythera mechanism



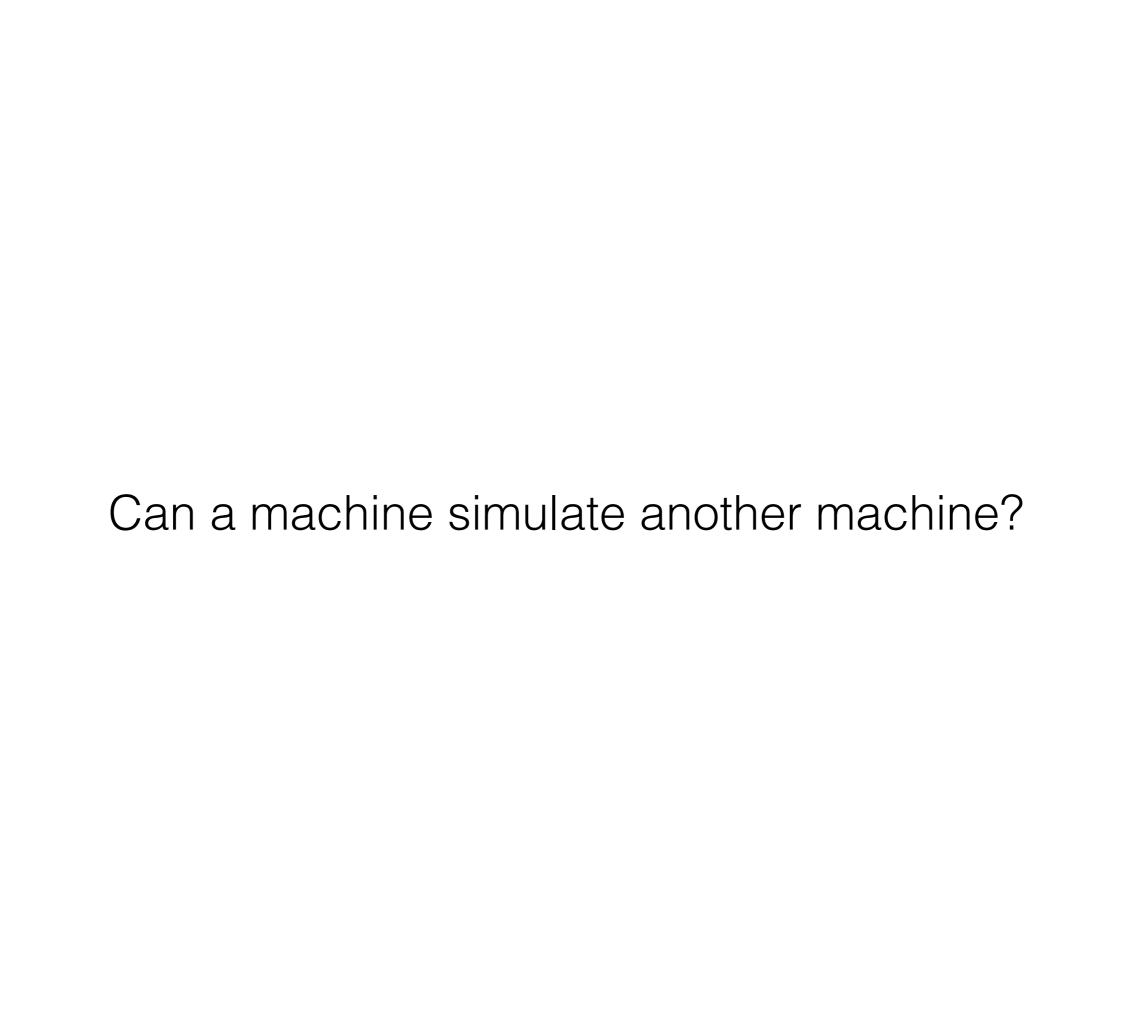
- we are interested in the movements of the planets, the sun and the moon
- highlight parts of the real system that are relevant from this point of view
 - e.g. neglect dark matter, atmospheres of planets, inner structure of planets etc.

Antikythera mechanism





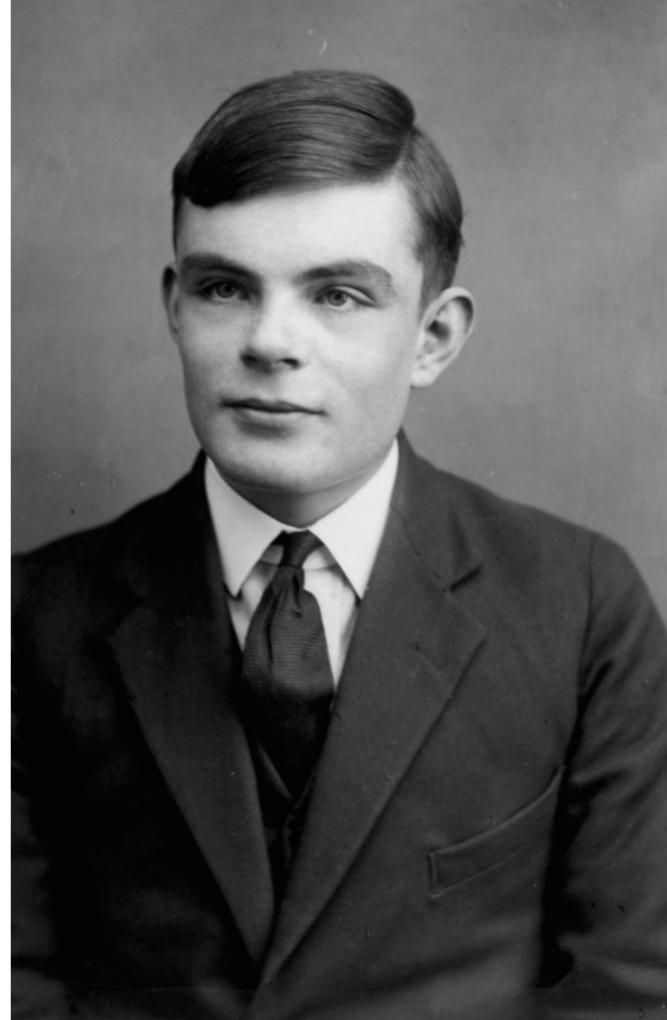
- we build a model
 - a machine where the parts we have identified with relevant variables in the real system work in approximately the same way
 - then, we can operate this machine to answer questions about the real system
 - e.g. to predict eclipses
 - what are the limits to constructing such models?





Can a machine compute something that no other machine can simulate?

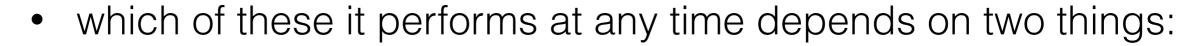




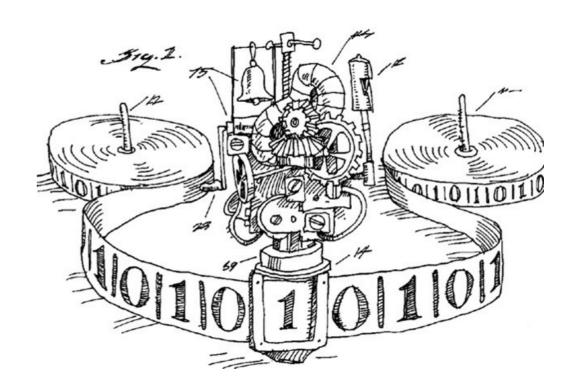


Turing-machine

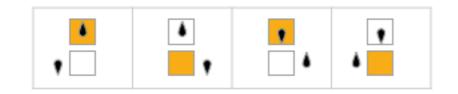
- an infinite tape with cells
- on which it can
 - write symbols
 - erase symbols
 - read symbols
 - move between cells
 - end the computation

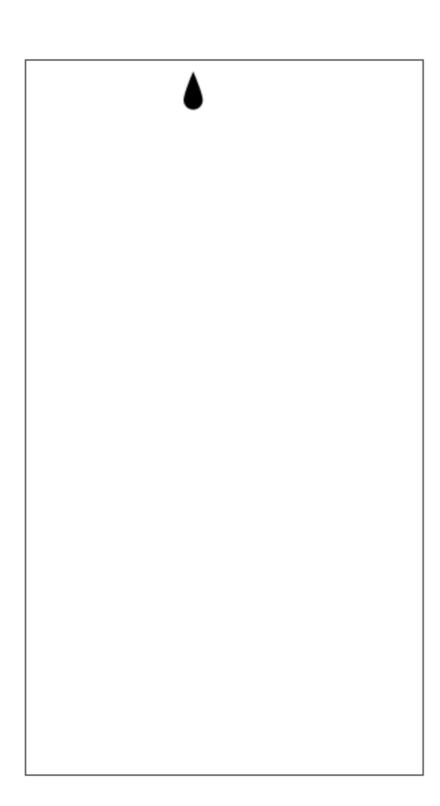


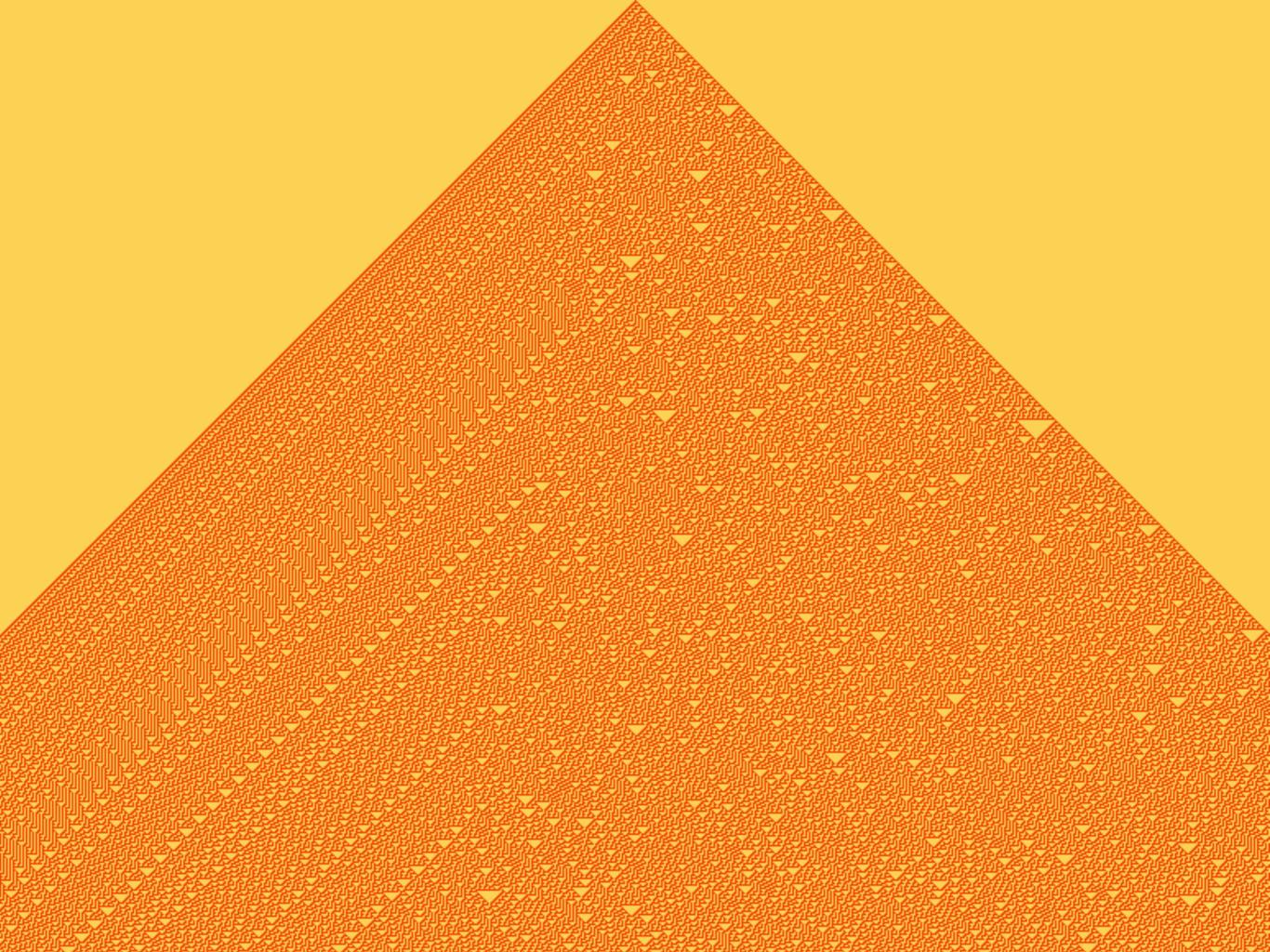
- what symbol was read
- what state the machine is in
- where the appropriate action for each symbol state pair is given in advance in a table



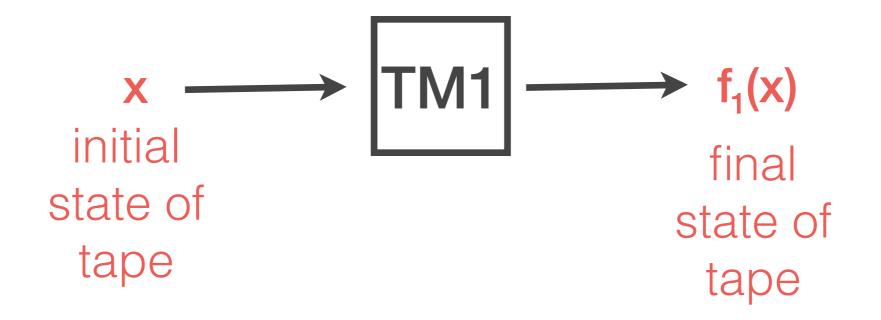
Tape symbol	Cui	rent stat	e A	Cui	rrent stat	е В	Current state C				
	Write	Move tape	Next state	Write symbol	Move tape	Next state	Write symbol	Move tape	Next state		
0	1	R	В	1	L	Α	1	L	В		
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TM as function



$$x \longrightarrow TM1 \longrightarrow f_1(x)$$

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universal TM

There exists a universal Turing machine such that if we give it on tape

- the instructions of another Turing machine
- and its input

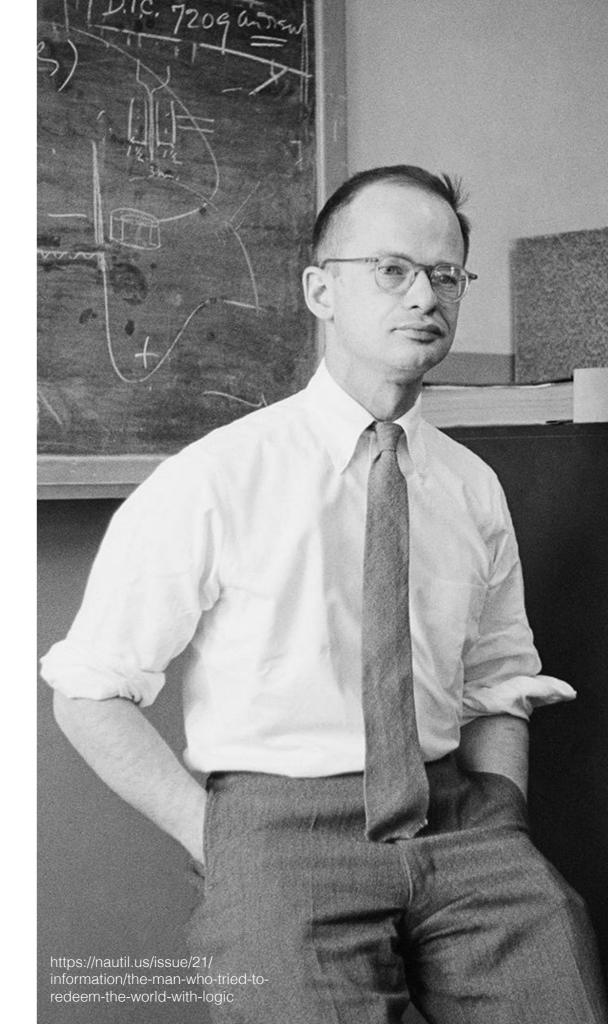
then the output will be the output of the given Turing machine given the given input.

$$\exists F : F(f_i, x) = f_i(x) \ \forall i, x$$

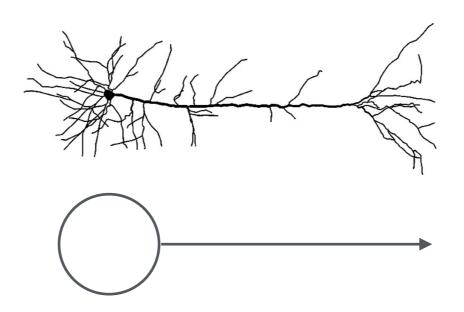


- how does this relate to the brain?
- can the same functions be calculated with neurons?
- with these machines can you calculate everything that the brain can?
 - or maybe neurons know something that nothing else does?
- even something that we cannot model mathematically?

Walter Pitts 1923-1969

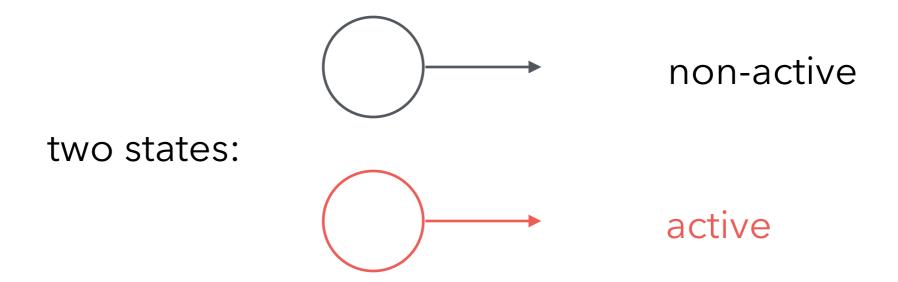


McCulloch-Pitts neuron



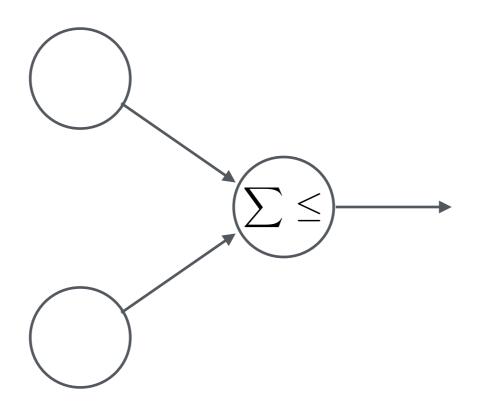
(McCulloch&Pitts 1943)

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A Logical Calculus of Ideas Immanent in Nervous Activity

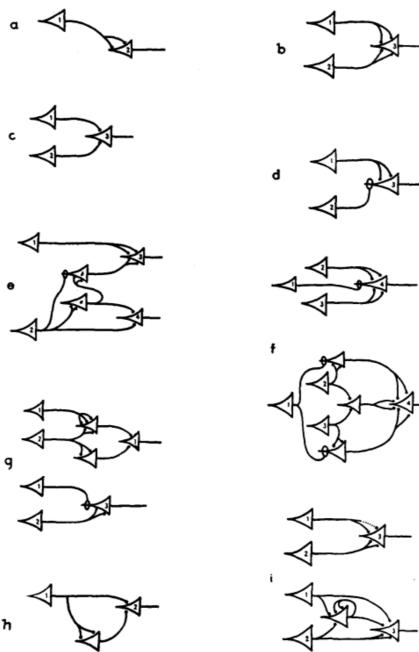
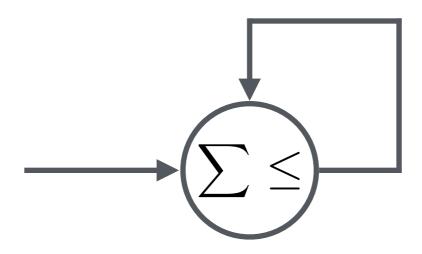
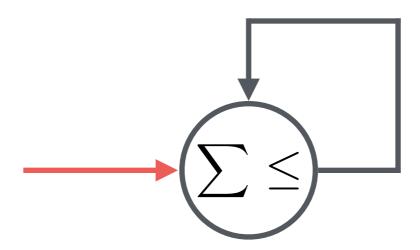
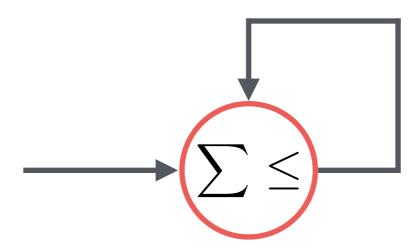


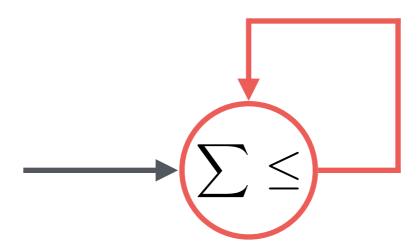
FIGURE 1

memory?

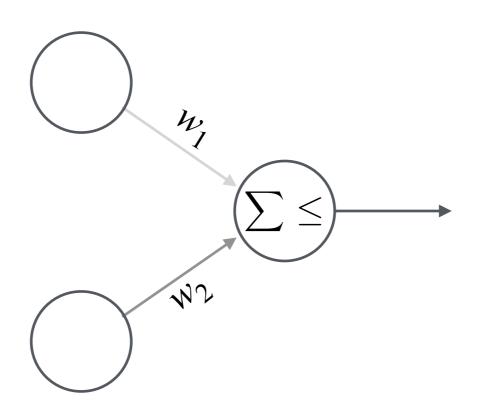








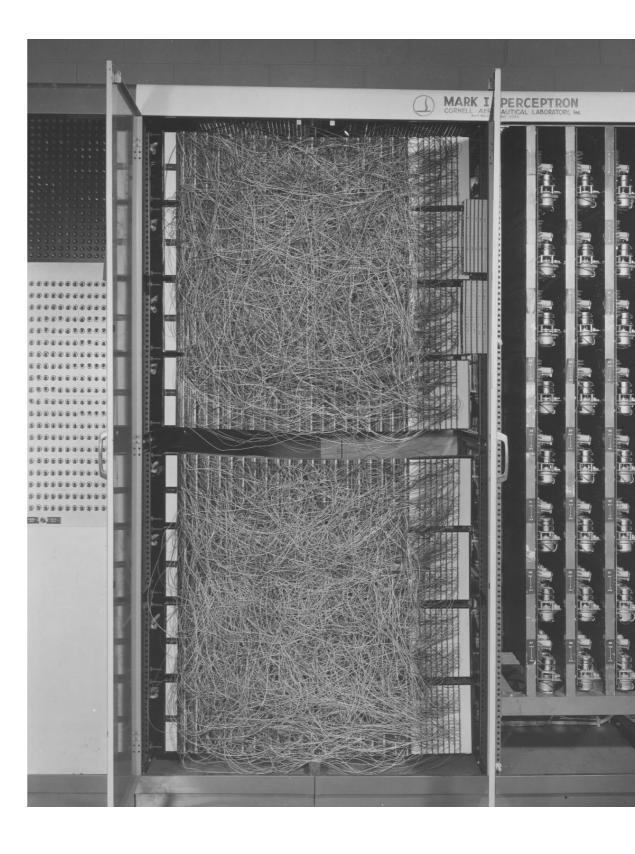
Perceptron

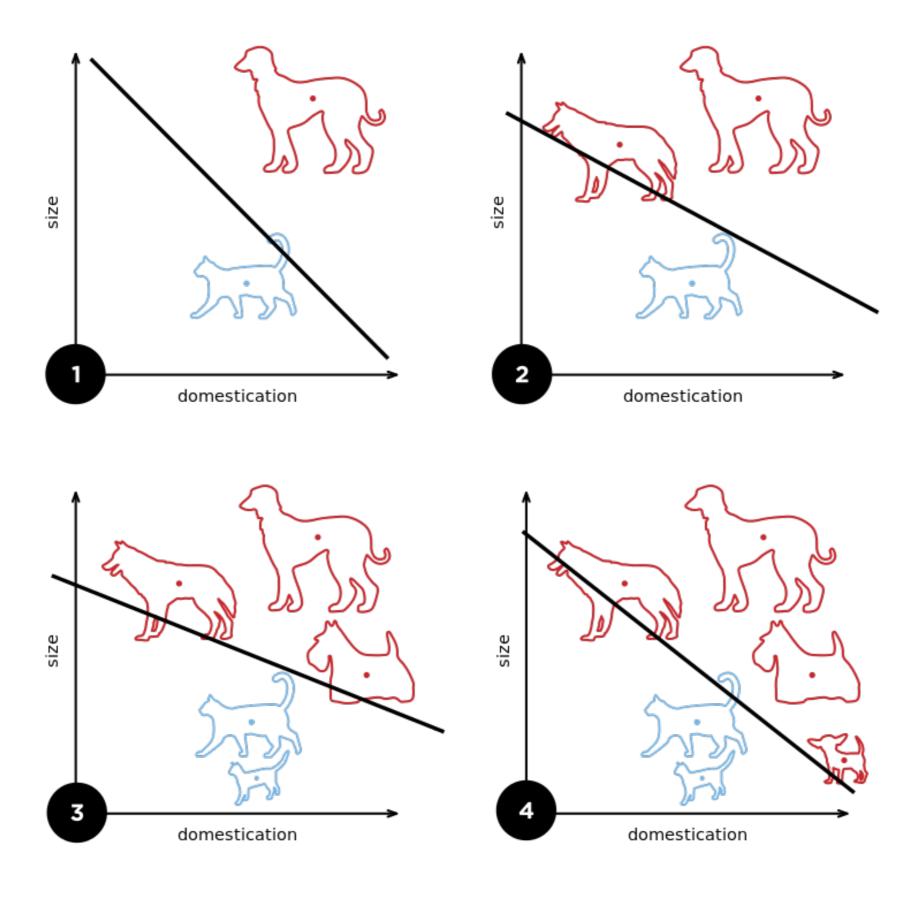


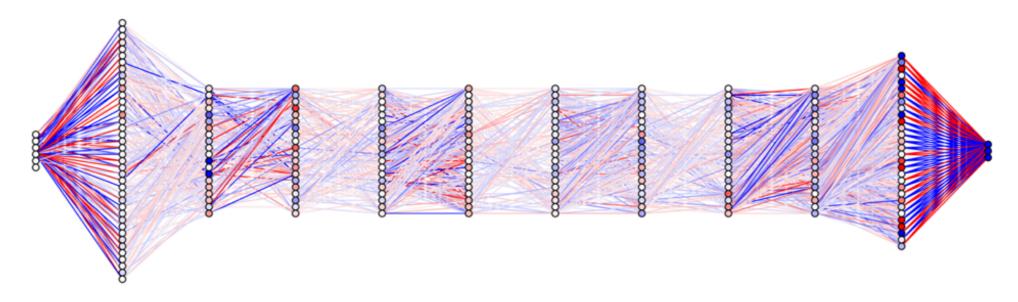
 $\mathbf{W} \circ \mathbf{n}_1 \geq \theta$

Perceptron

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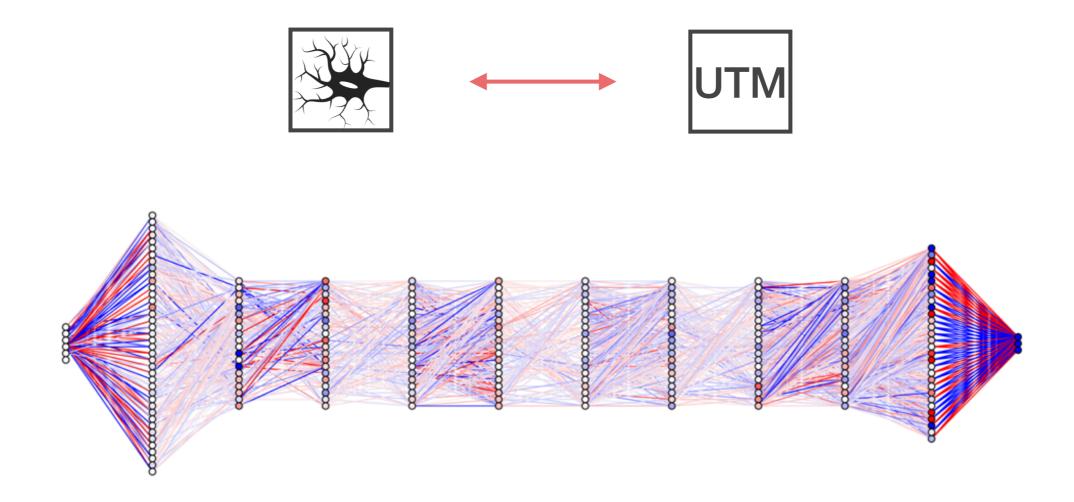






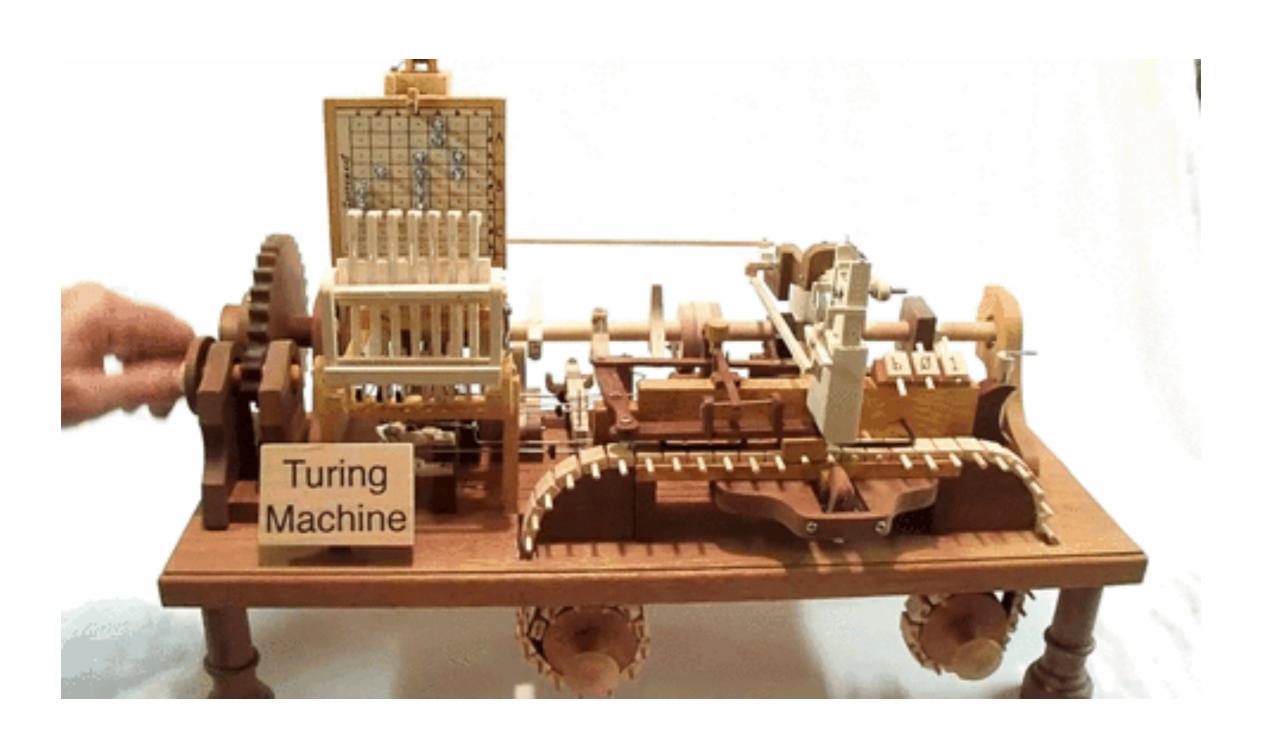
 $\mathbf{y} = \sigma \circ \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{n}} \circ \ldots \circ \sigma \circ \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{1}} \circ \mathbf{x}$

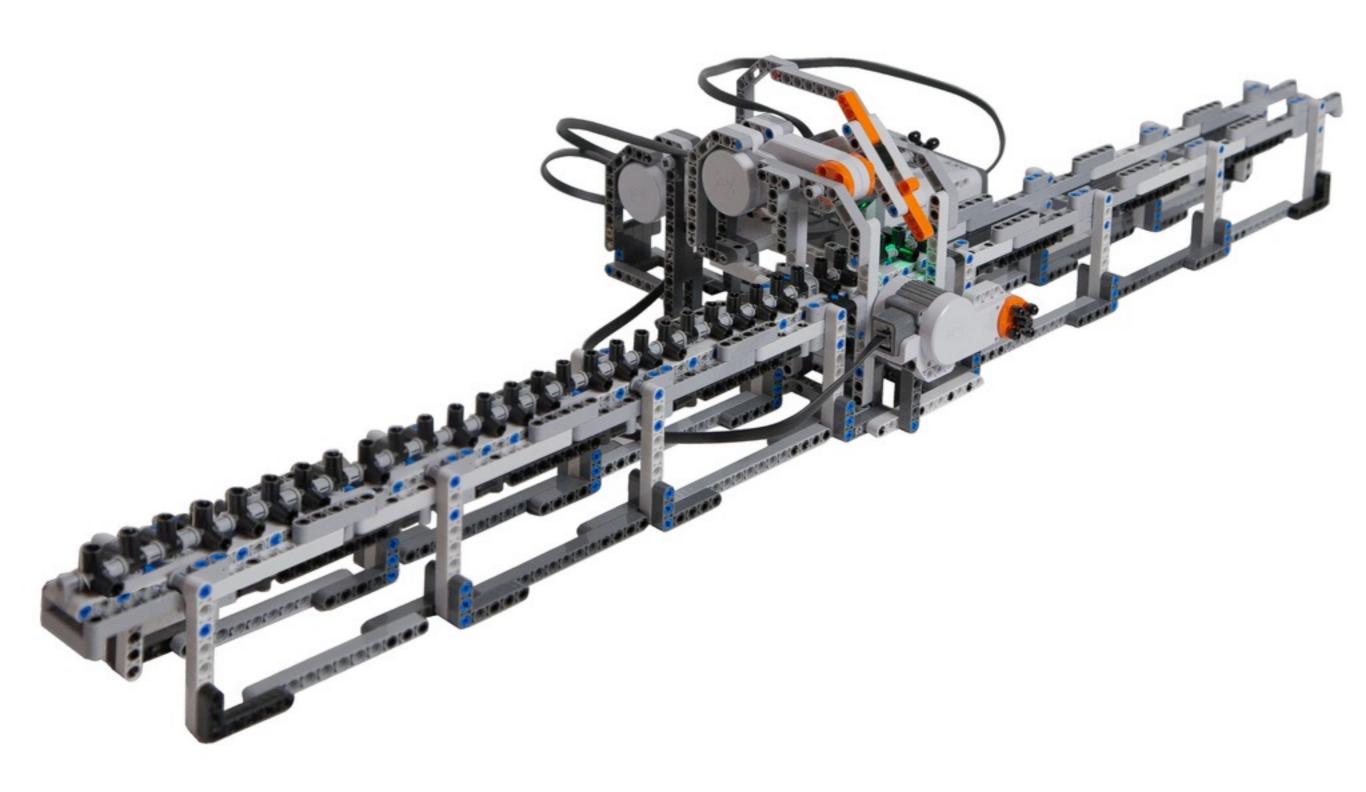
Connectionism



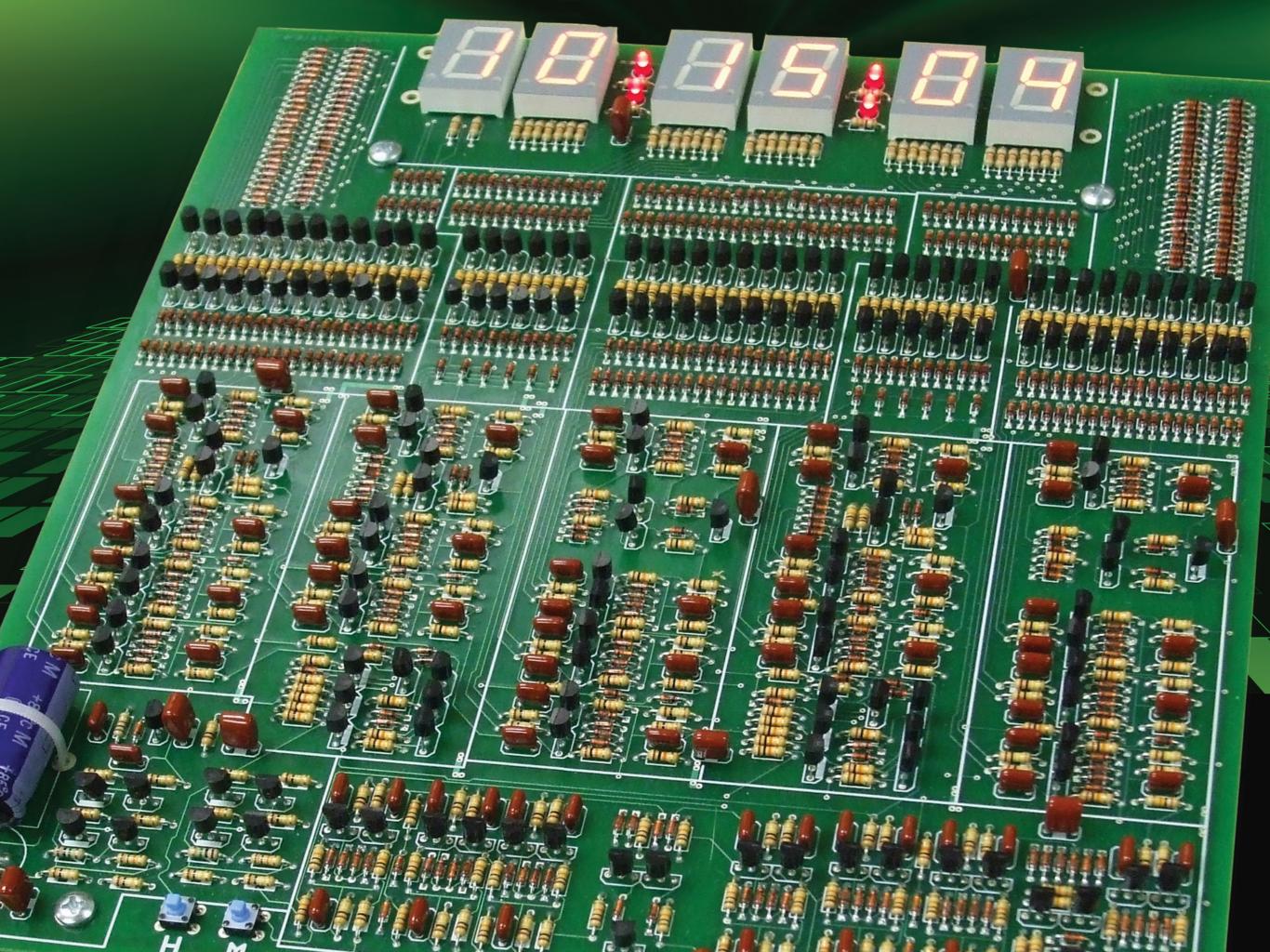
universality of computation

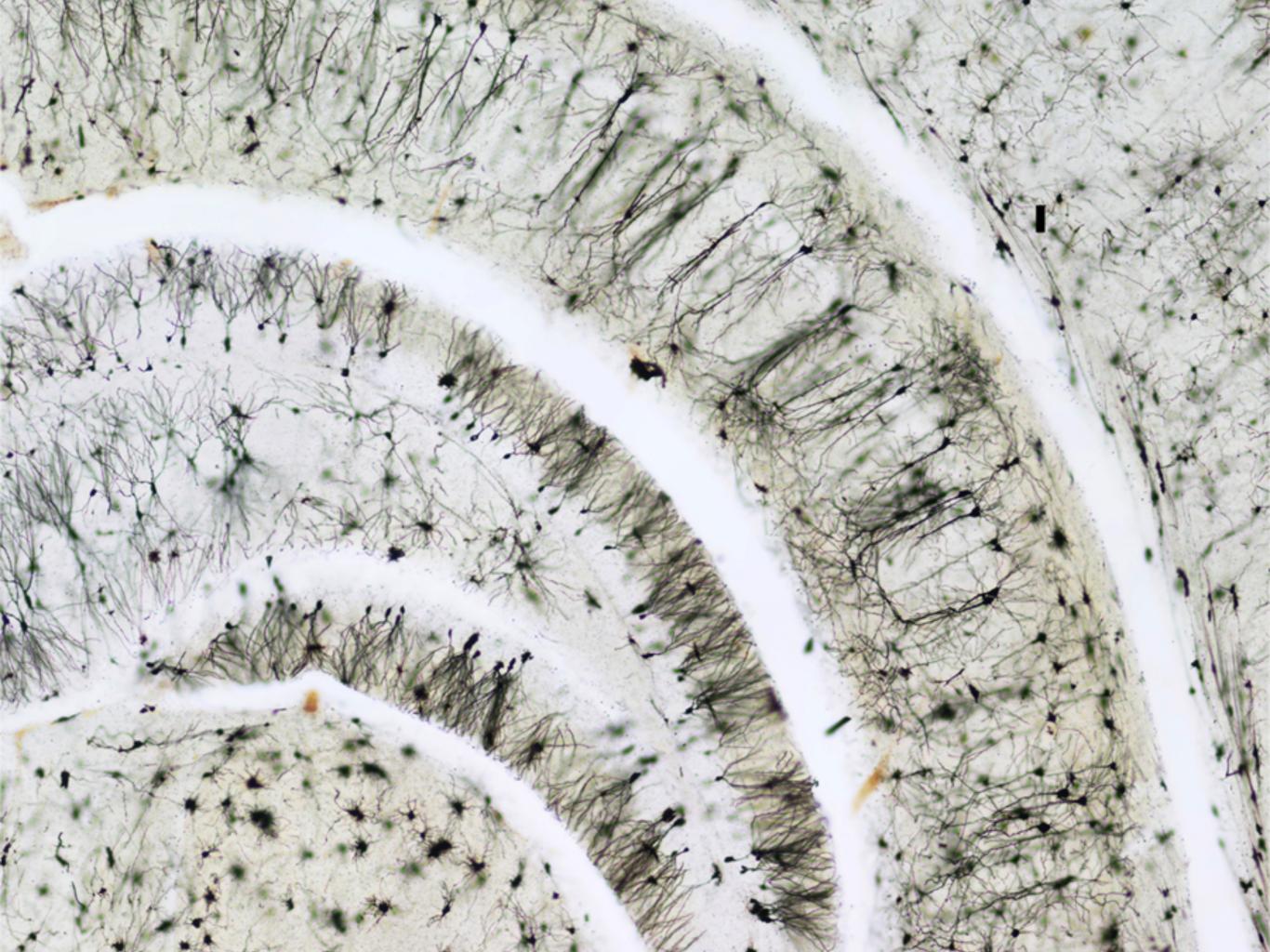
- other general models of computation have also been developed (e.g. recursive functions, λ-calculus)
- surprisingly, it turns out that they define exactly the same functions as Turing machines
- Church-Turing thesis: anything that can be effectively computed can be computed with UTMs
- these are called computable functions
- a stronger claim is that what can be computed by any physical process can be computed by a UTM
 - this is an empirical question, but there are no known counterexamples in physics (called hypercomputation)
 - (e.g. quantum computers can compute the same functions but some of them faster)
- Turing-complete or universal language: a set of primitives/components that can be used to create a UTM.











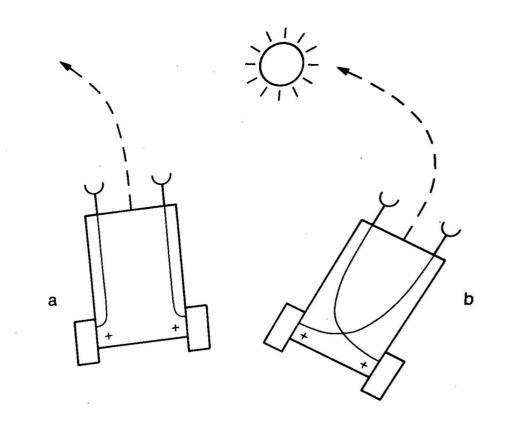
internal model



environment



- model is a simplified "copy" of the original system
 - that can be constructed out of cogs, transistors, or even neurons
 - and in some sense mirrors how the original system works



vs internal models

consequences

internal model



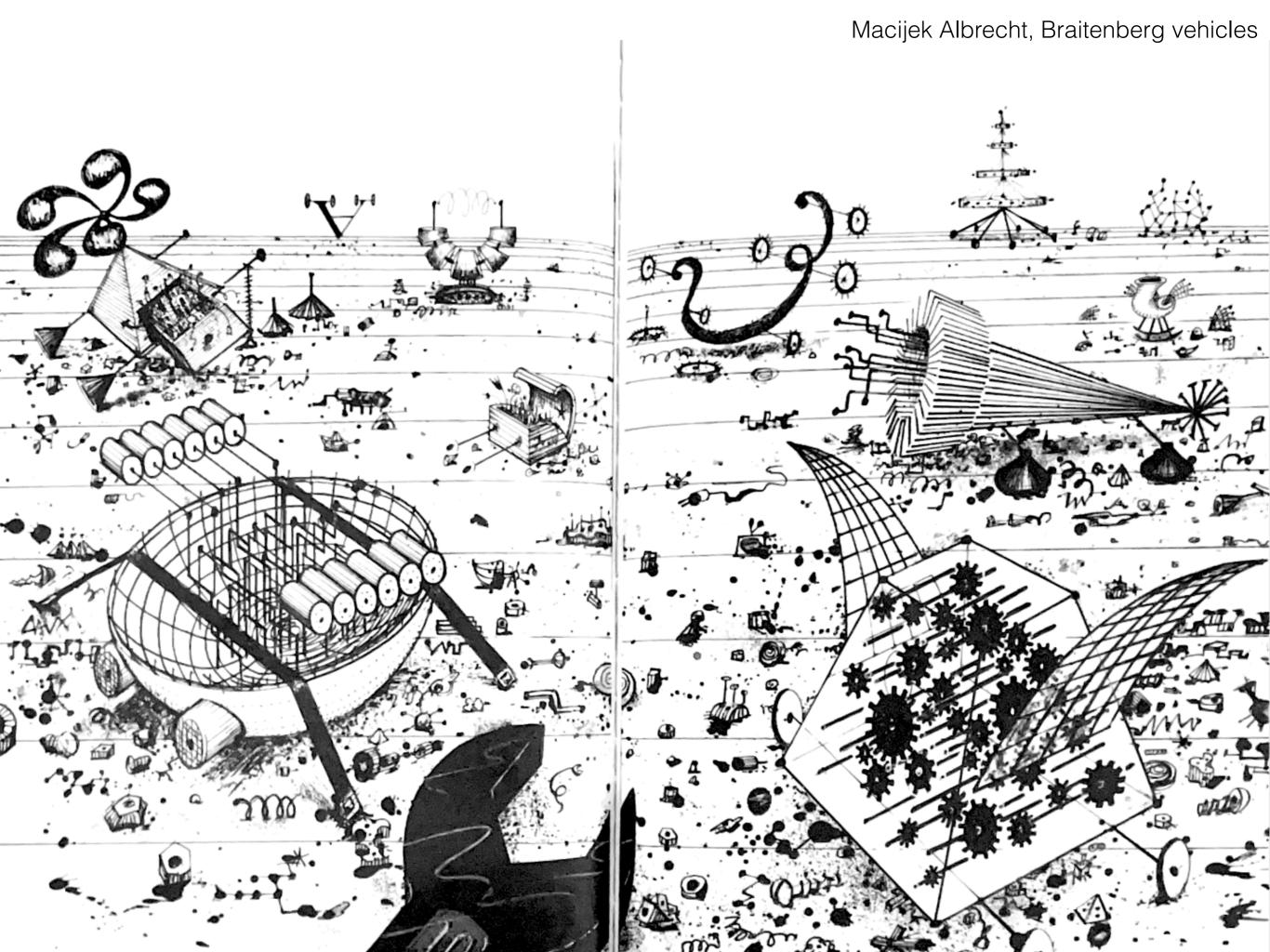
environment



- if we use a Turing-complete modelling language, we will likely be able to model the calculations performed by the brain as well
- the implementation/hardware level can be separated*, we can start modelling from the top down

what formalism should we use?

- there are infinitely many, but with increasing complexity they often become equivalent (Turing complete).
 - we can choose one that fits well with the known neurobiology
 - bottom-up approach
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- or we can use a formalism that fits well with the computational problems facing the brain, known behaviour and introspection
 - top-down approach
 - what system makes it simple to formulate and solve representation, perception, learning, reasoning, language use, decision-making, etc.?

logic

All humans are mortal Aristotle is human

Aristotle is mortal



logic

All greeks wear togas Socrates is greek

Socrates wears a toga



logic

All A are B

X is an A

Therefore X is B

\$syllogism



logical system

- what are distinct states of the system (propositions)?
 - we decompose these using state variables (atomic propositions)
- which of these states are possible states of the system?
 - we can summarise these in a truth table

truth table

atomic propositions (variables)



truth table

atomic propositions (variables)

cough	has cold	has TB	
1	1	1	distinct states of
1	1	0	
1	0	1	system
1	0	0	
0	1	1	
0	1	0	
0	0	1	
0	0	0	

truth table

how can we use the table for drawing inferences?

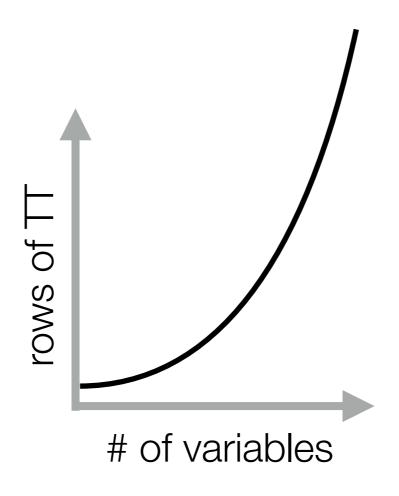
cough	has cold	has TB	possible?
1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1

inference

if sj. coughs but not cold, is it TB? yes

cough	has cold	has TB	possible?	
1	1	1	1	—)
1	1	0	-1	has cold
1	1	0	<u></u>	
1	0	1	1	
1	0	0	0	_
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1st problem



megoldás

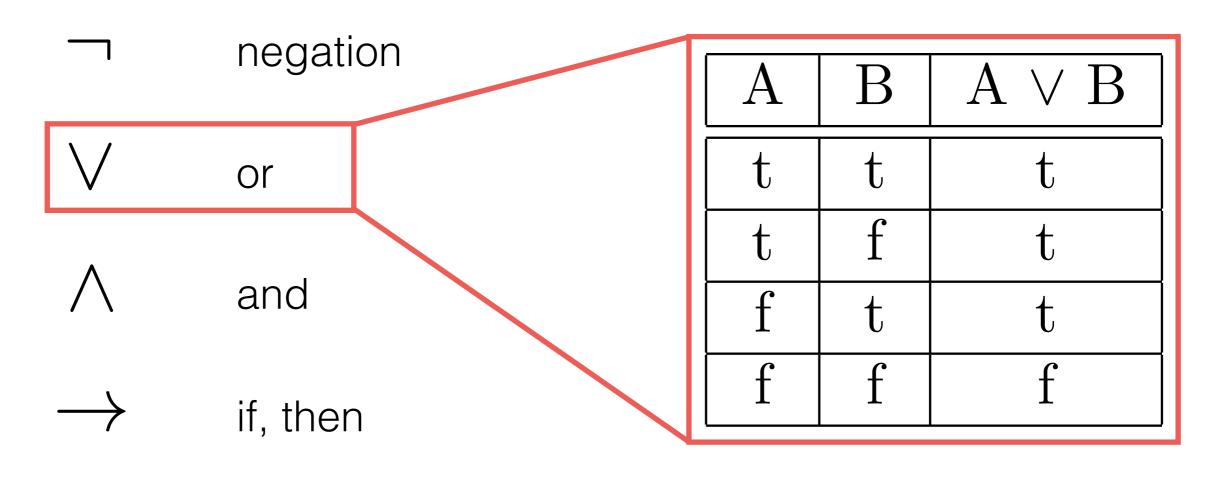
introduce operators to more compactly represent truth table

$$\neg$$
, \vee , \wedge , \rightarrow , \leftrightarrow

A	В	$A \vee B$
t	t	t
t	f	t
f	t	t
f	f	f

operators

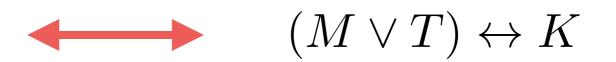
conditional truth table



 \leftrightarrow if and only if

operators

cough	has cold	has TB	possible?
1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1



new rules of inference

$$\neg \neg A \to A$$

if it is not true that it is not A then A

$$A, B \to A \wedge B$$

if it is true that A and it is true that B then it is true that A and B

$$(\neg A \land \neg B) \to \neg (A \lor B)$$

if it is not A and not B, then it is not true that A or B

$$((A \to B) \land A) \to B$$

if given A it is true that B, and A is true, then B is true

higher order logics

boole operators

truth value to truth value

$$\neg$$
, \vee , \wedge , \rightarrow

A	В	$A \vee B$
t	t	t
t	f	t
f	t	t
f	f	f

truth table



propositional logic

higher order logics

truth table

predicates

objects to truth values

Fekete(kutya)

quantifiers

object variables to objects

 \forall , \exists

propositional logic

1st order logic

rules of chess

propositional logic ~ 1000 pages first order logic ~ 1 page

expressive power

higher order logics

truth table

propositional logic

1st order logic

λ-calculus

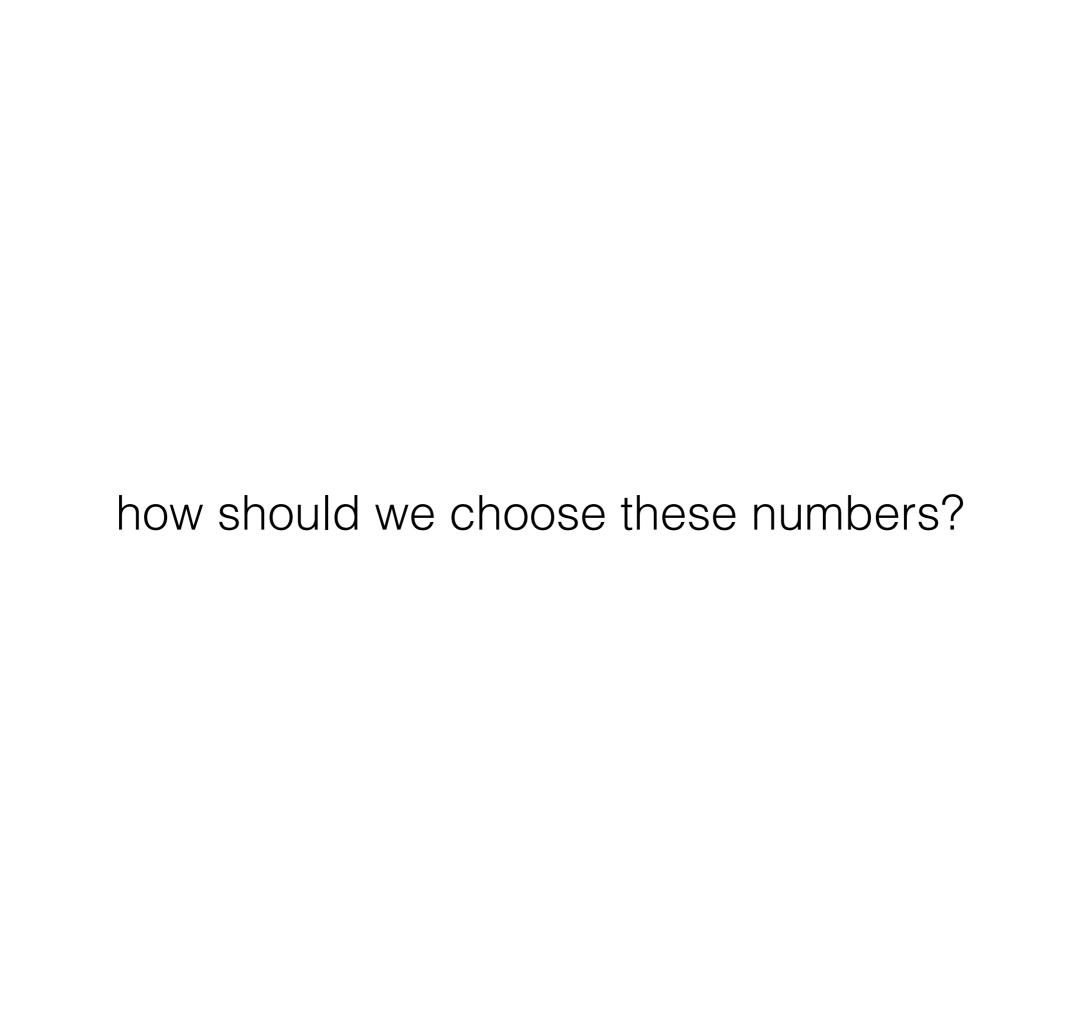
UTM

2nd problem

if subject coughs, is it TB?

cough	has cold	has TB	possible?
1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1





Cox-theorem

- represent plausibility (H) with real numbers
- consistency: regardless of which order we apply rules to compute plausibilities, we should get the same number given the same information



direction of changes of plausibility

if
$$H(A|i)$$
 increases, then

$$H(\neg A|i)$$
 decreases

$$H(A \wedge B|i)$$
 increases

 If plausibility satisfies these requirements then it is isomorphic to a probability measure, with the usual definition of conditional probability

$$H(\cdot|i) \simeq P(\cdot|i)$$

Dutch Book argument

- assumes that we are willing to make bets according to our degrees of belief/plausilities
- if our beliefs don't satisfy these consistency rules, then there will exist a set of bets that the we would accept, even though it would guarantee a loss

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Kolmogorov axioms

probabilities of events are real numbers btwn. 0 and 1

cough	sneeze	flu	TB	probability		
t	t	t	t	0.1		$\in (0,1)$
t	t	f	f	0.02	-	$\subset (0,1)$
• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •			
f	f	f	f	0.3		

Kolmogorov axioms

- probabilities of events are real numbers btwn. 0 and 1
- probability of definite event is 1
- probabilities of mutually exclusive events are additive

cough	sneeze	flu	TB	probability
t	t	t	t	0.1
t	t	f	f	0.02
• • •	• • •	• • •	•••	•••
f	f	f	f	0.3

$$\sum P(w_i) = 1$$

inference = conditional prob.

$$P(TB|cough, \neg flu) = ?$$

	cough	sneeze	flu	TB	probability	
f	Ü	U	U	U	0.1	flu
	t	t	f	f	0.02	
	• • •	• • •	• • •	•••	• • •	
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•	"what is t					

To the probability of A D

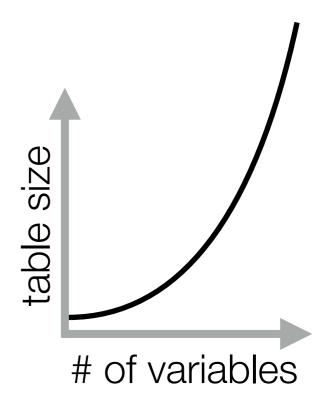
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A,B)}{P(B)}$$

• can be seen as generalisation of \longrightarrow

rest must sum to 1

problem

- $2^n 1$ numbers are needed to specify full probability table
- could we use same trick as before?
 - compose full table from smaller tables?



probability distribution can be written as product of conditionals

$$P(x_1, x_2, x_3, ..., x_n) = P(x_1|x_2)P(x_2|x_3)...P(x_n)$$

- this can be used to introduce graphical models
 - we will look at a simple example now, and go into more detail during the next lecture

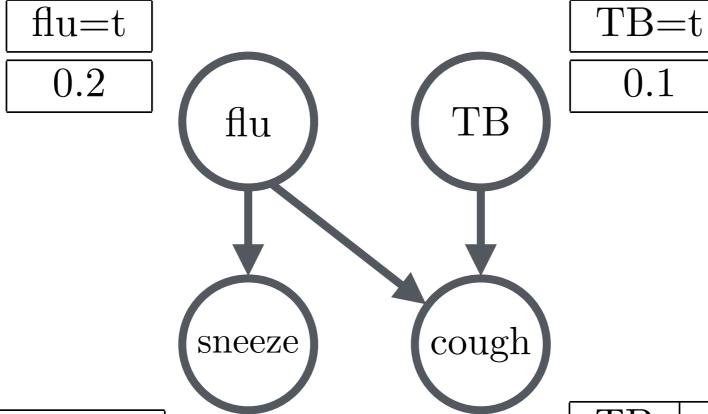
graphical model

sneeze=t

0.8

0.2

flu



ТВ	flu	cough=t
t	t	0.9
t	f	0.8
f	t	0.75
f	f	0.1

logic

probability

truth table

joint probability table

propositional logic



d. graphical model

1st order logic

λ-calculus



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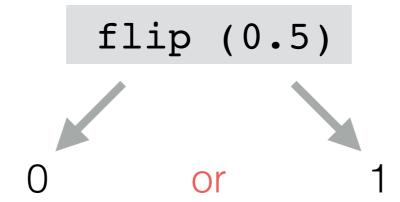


probabilistic programs

probabilistic program

• Turing-complete language

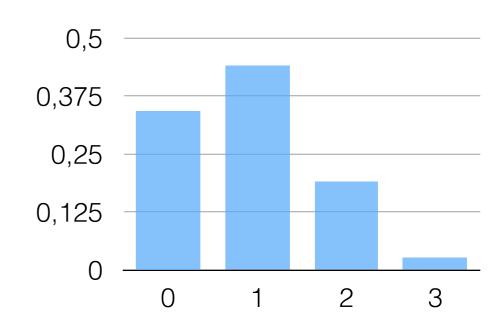
random choice operator



 conditioning (inference) as language primitive

probabilistic program

$$a = flip(0.3) \longrightarrow 100$$
 $b = flip(0.3) \longrightarrow 000$
 $c = flip(0.3) \longrightarrow 101$
 $a + b + c \longrightarrow 201$



$$P(n) = \binom{3}{n} 0.3^n 0.7^{3-n}$$

distribution

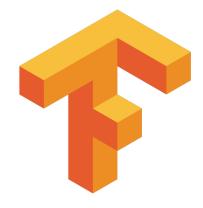
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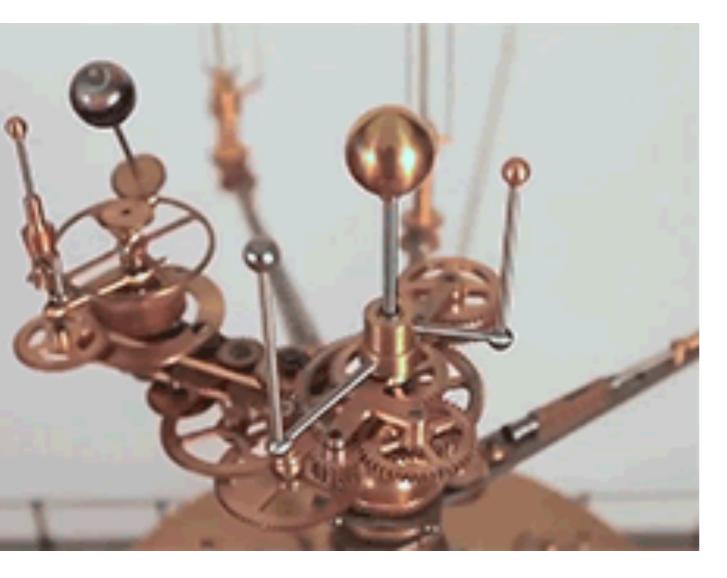








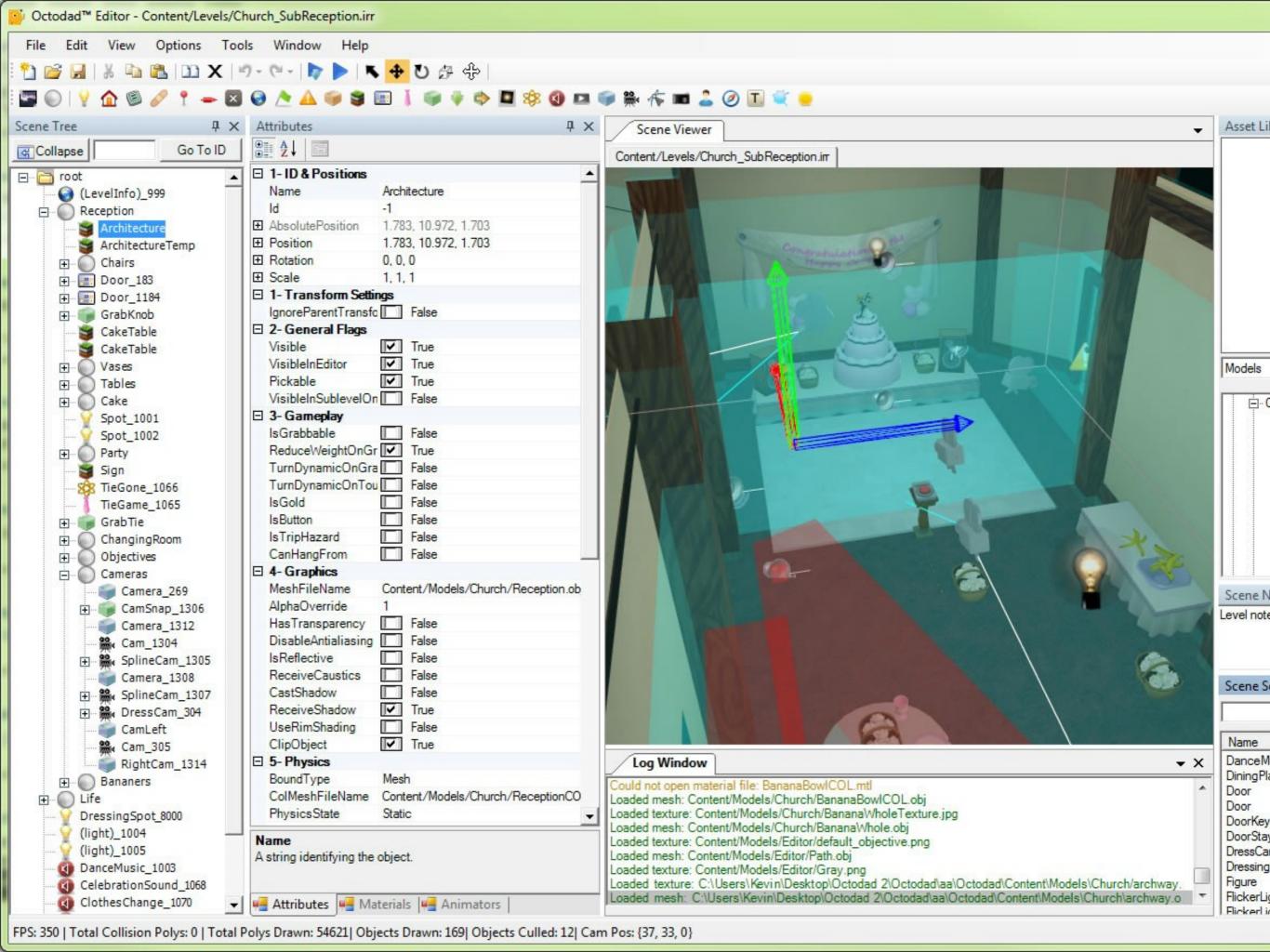


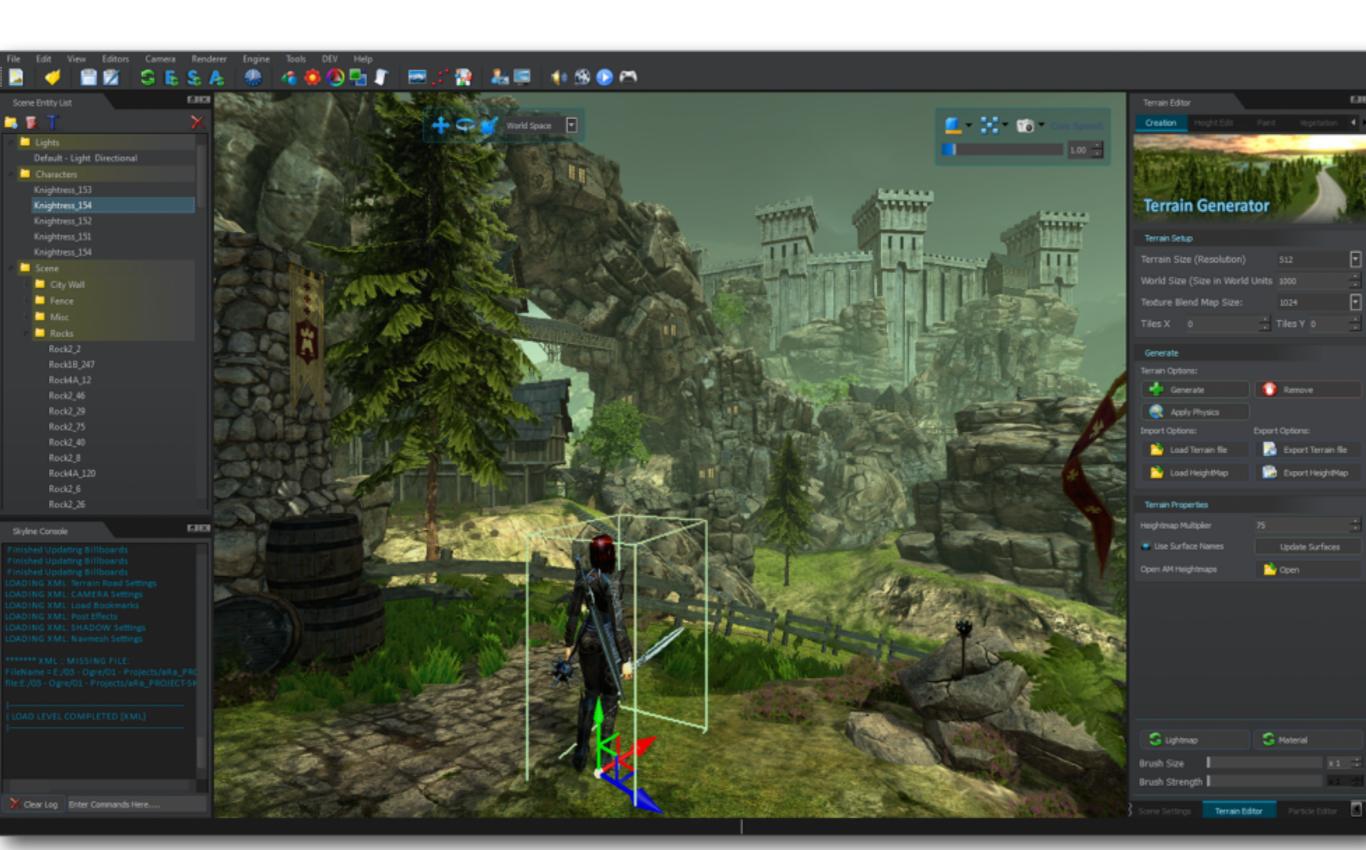


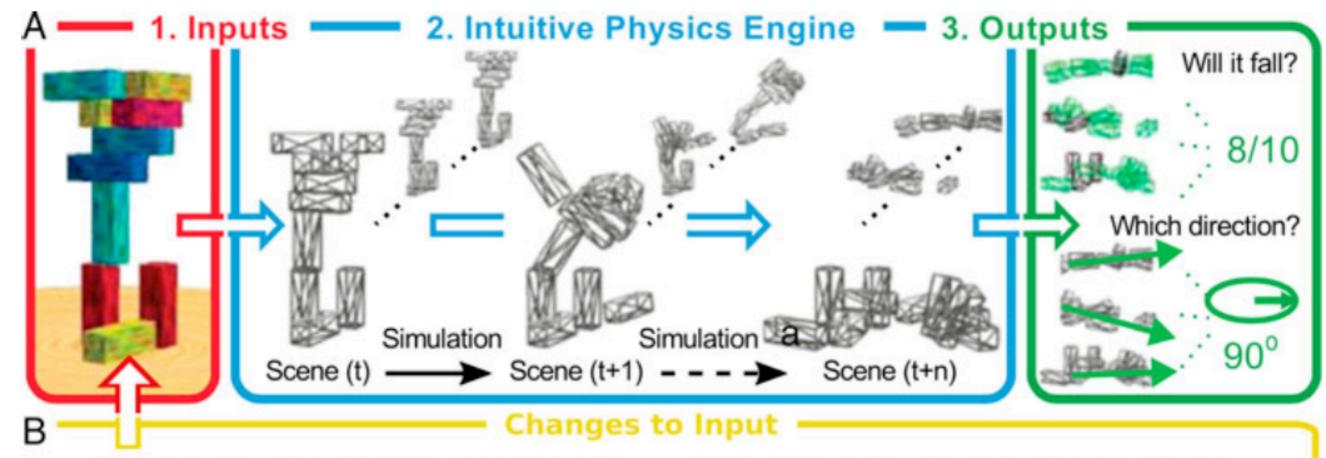




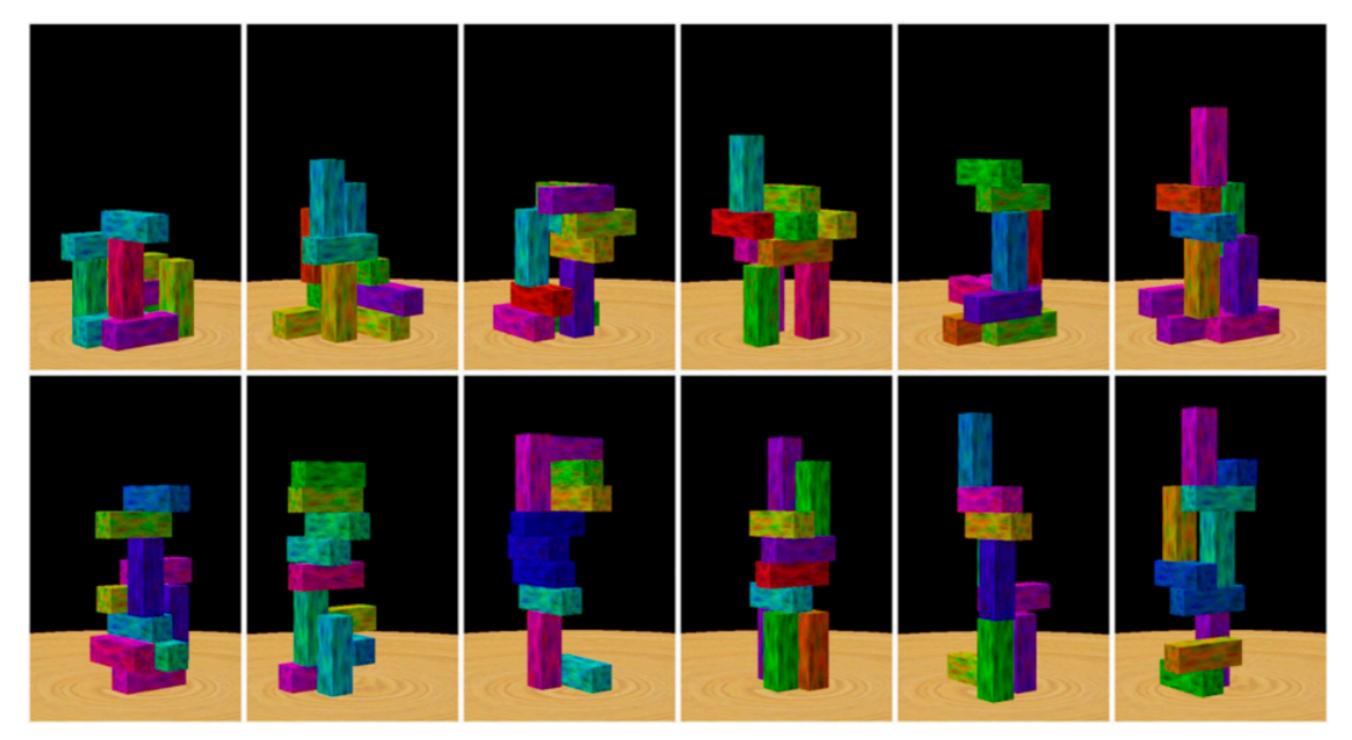
probabilistic model (program/distribution)



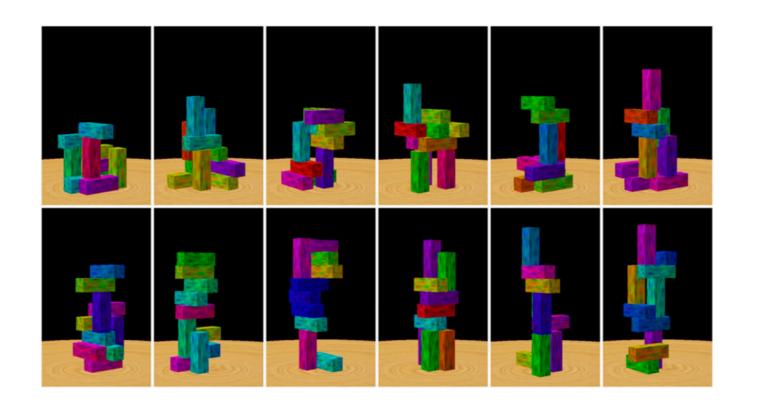


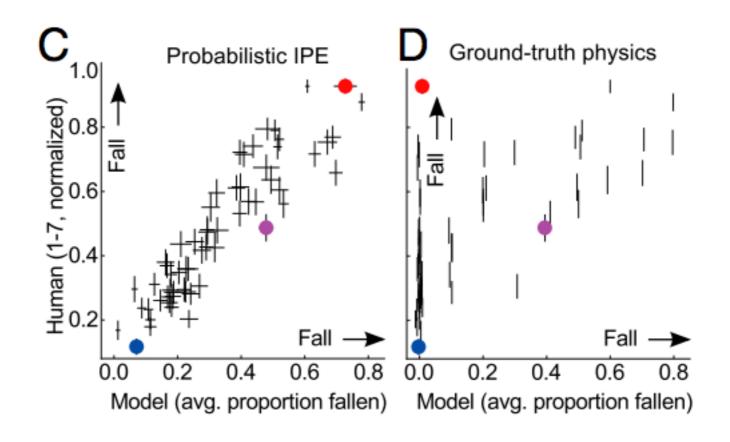


Add blocks, blocks made of styrofoam, blocks made of lead, blocks made of goo, table is made of rubber, table is actually quicksand, pour water on the tower, pour honey on the tower, blue blocks are glued together, red blocks are magnetic, gravity is reversed, wind blows over table, table has slippery ice on top...



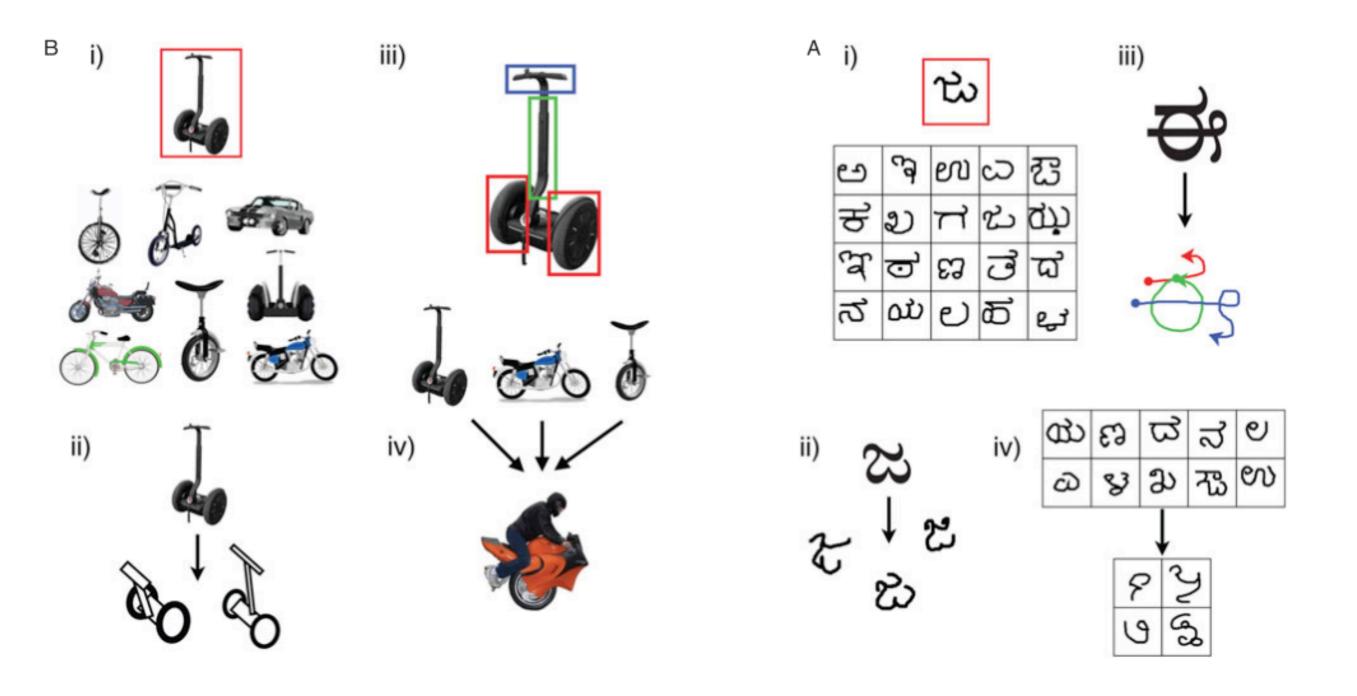
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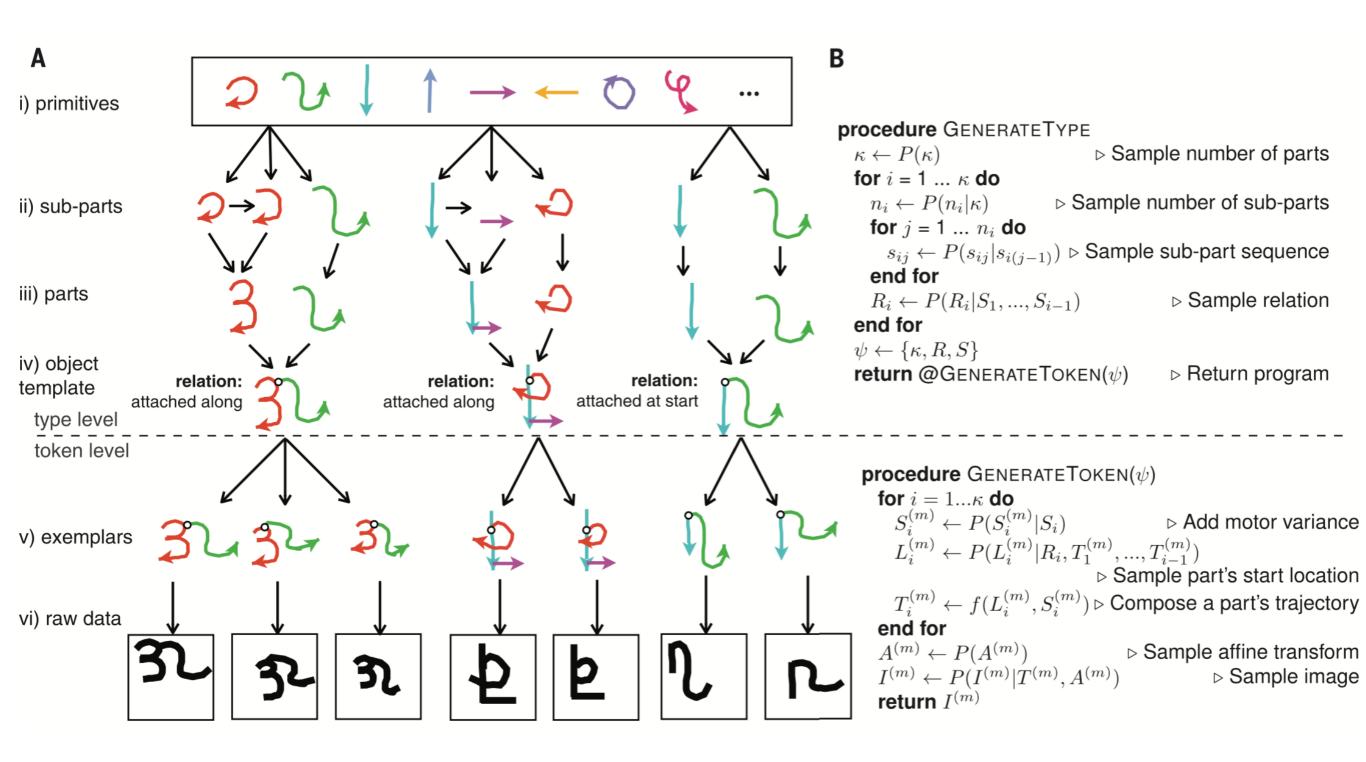












One-knower

$$\lambda S$$
. (if (singleton? S) "one" undef)

Two-knower

Three-knower

CP-knower

$$\lambda S$$
. (if (singleton? S)

"one"

(next (L (set-difference S

(select S)))))

Singular-Plural

$$\lambda S$$
 . (if (singleton? S) "one" "two")

Mod-5

2-not-1-knower

$$\lambda S$$
. (if (doubleton? S) "two" undef)

2N-knower

$$\lambda S$$
. (if (singleton? S)

"one"

(next (next (L (set-difference S (select S))))))

summary

- knowledge of environment can be represented in physical systems
- we can use formal systems for an abstract description of systems
- due to the universality of computation, we can use formal systems that are optimised for computational problems that the brain has to solve
- classical logic can only handle true/false statements, but most things we are interested in are uncertain
- logic can be extended to handle uncertain knowledge, by allowing truth values to be between true and false (degree of belief/plausibility)
 - it is advantageous if beliefs form a probability measure
 - for realistic numbers of variables this direct representation through probability tables is often not feasible
 - compositionality (infinite use of finite building blocks) can be used to mitigate this issue (e.g. graphical models)
- universal probabilistic languages

key concepts

- computability, universal Turing-machine
- generative model (probabilistic environment simulator)
- probability, conditional probability
- probabilistic inference as conditional probability

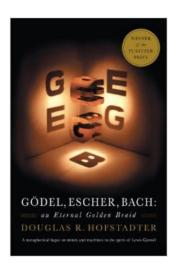


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formal systems

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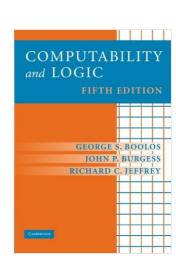
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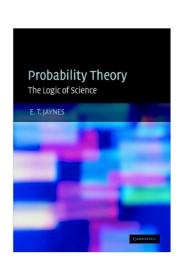
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Babbage's difference engine

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Universal Turing machine from lego

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KrNTmOSVW-U

Universal Turing machine in game of life

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assignments

 running the Turing machine given as an example on an empty tape (filled with 0s), starting from state A, what happens in the first 5 steps? (what are the tape states?)

Tape symbol	Current state A			Current state B			Current state C		
	Write symbol	Move tape	Next state	Write symbol	Move tape	Next state	Write symbol	Move tape	Next state
0	1	R	В	1	L	Α	1	L	В
1	1	L	С	1	R	В	1	R	HALT

- in the introduction of graphic models, we said that, in the general case, $2^n 1$ numbers are required to specify the entire distribution, where n is the number of variables. Why?
- in the graphic model given as an example (slide 86), is it possible that subject has the flu, but doesn't sneeze?
- in the example logical system (slide 67) can it happen that subject is sick but does not cough?