

Vorlesung

Grundlagen der

Künstlichen Intelligenz

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Organisational remarks

- Lecture: Mo, 12:15-13:45, Interims-Hörsaal 2
- Lecture /Exercise: Fr., 12:15-13:45

- Book: Russel/Norvig: Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach, 3. ed. (dt. und engl. Ausgaben erhältlich)

- Also based on the lecture by Prof. Michael Beetz, WS2011/12



Chapter 1

Introduction

What is Artificial Intelligence?

- The construction of intelligent systems (computers, smartphones, cars, robots, ...)
- Formalization and representation of knowledge and reasoning based on that knowledge
- Development and use of computational models to understand humans and artificial agents
- Build the bases for natural human-system interaction on each level (common sense to expert use)

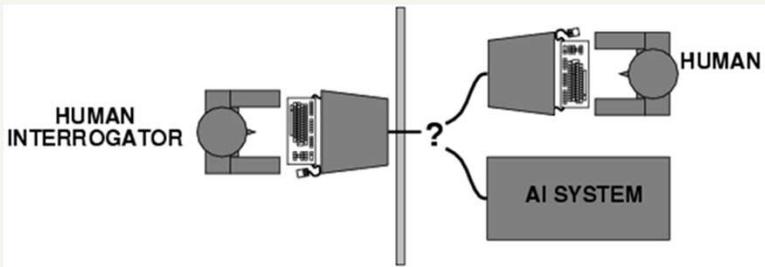


What is Artificial Intelligence?

| | Human-like | Rational |
|----------|--|---|
| Thinking | <p>“The exciting new effort to make computers think ... machines with minds, in the full and literal sense” (Haugeland, 1985)</p> <p>“The automation of activities that we associate with human thinking, activities such as decision-making, problem solving, learning ...” (Bellman, 1978)</p> | <p>“The study of mental faculties through the use of computational models” (Charniak and McDermott, 1985)</p> <p>“The study of the computations that make it possible to perceive, reason, and act” (Winston, 1992)</p> |
| Acting | <p>“The art of creating machines that perform functions that require intelligence when performed by people” (Kurzweil, 1990)</p> <p>“The study of how to make computers do things at which, at the moment, people are better” (Rich and Knight, 1991)</p> | <p>“A field of study that seeks to explain and emulate intelligent behavior in terms of computational processes” (Schalkoff, 1990)</p> <p>“The branch of computer science that is concerned with the automation of intelligent behavior” (Luger and Stubblefield, 1993)</p> |



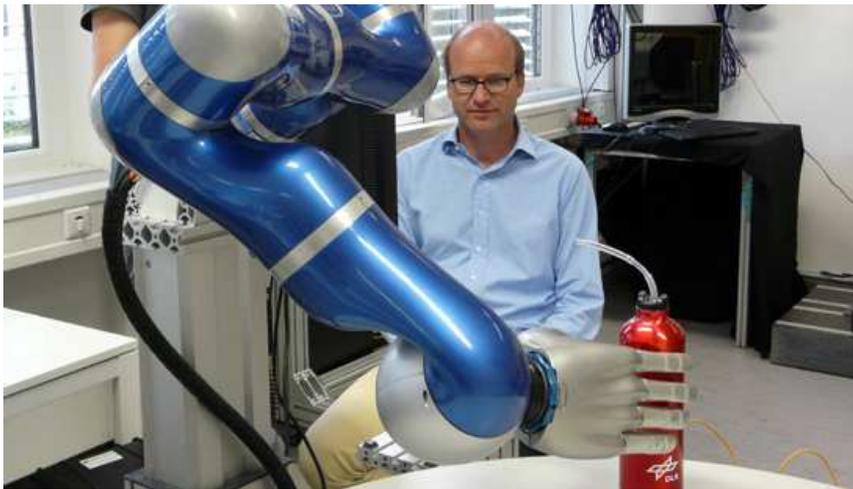
What is Artificial Intelligence?

| | Human-like | Rational |
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| Thinking | Cognitive Sciences, Neurosciences | Logic-based reasoning |
| Acting | Turing-Test  | Rational agents maximize goal achievement, given the available information ⇒ Doing the “right” thing |



Systems that think like humans

- Top-down approach: Cognitive sciences
 - Theories about internal activities in the human brain
 - What level(s) of abstraction are appropriate?
- Bottom-up approach: Neurosciences
 - Understanding of natural neural networks still a challenge
 - Sensing of brain activity improving (skin, fMRI, implanted neural interfaces)



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Image source: DLR
http://www.dlr.de/dlr/presse/desktopdefault.aspx/tabid-10172/213_read-5268/



Systems that act like humans

- Turing-test (Turing, 1950): Imitation game using a screen/keyboard interface to communicate with the other agent
 - Goal: identify whether the communication partner is human or a machine
- Contains many key aspects of AI:
 - Natural language processing
 - Knowledge representation
 - (Logical) inference
 - Learning
- The “total Turing test” also includes
 - Computer vision
 - Robotics



Systems that think rationally

- Logic-based reasoning: Facts and deduction rules
- Origin in philosophy (Aristotele)
- Problems:
 - Intelligent behaviour is not only based on logical considerations
 - Complexity! Both, in representing parts of the real world and in the reasoning about it
- Direct line through mathematics and philosophy to modern AI



Systems that act rationally

- Rational agents:
 - An agent is an entity that perceives and acts
 - Abstractly, an agent is a function from percept histories to actions:
[f: $P^* \rightarrow A$]
- For any given class of environments and tasks, we seek the agent (or class of agents) with the best performance
 - Caveat: computational limitations make perfect rationality unachievable
- Design best program for given machine resources



A brief history of AI

taken from <http://aitopics.net/BriefHistory>

| Year | Event |
|------|--|
| 1956 | John McCarthy coined the term "artificial intelligence" as the topic of the Dartmouth Conference , the first conference devoted to the subject. |
| | Demonstration of the first running AI program, the Logic Theorist (LT) written by Allen Newell, J.C. Shaw and Herbert Simon |
| 1957 | The General Problem Solver (GPS) demonstrated by Newell, Shaw & Simon. |
| 1958 | John McCarthy (MIT) invented the Lisp language. |
| 1961 | James Slagle (PhD dissertation, MIT) wrote (in Lisp) the first symbolic integration program, SAINT, which solved calculus problems at the college freshman level. |
| 1962 | First industrial robot company, Unimation, founded. |
| 1964 | Danny Bobrow's dissertation at MIT (tech.report #1 from MIT's AI group, Project MAC), shows that computers can understand natural language well enough to solve algebra word problems correctly. |



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| 1965 | J. Alan Robinson invented a mechanical proof procedure, the Resolution Method, which allowed programs to work efficiently with formal logic as a representation language. |
| | Joseph Weizenbaum (MIT) built ELIZA, "simulating" the dialogue of a psychotherapist |
| 1967 | Dendral program (Feigenbaum, Lederberg, Buchanan, Sutherland) to interpret mass spectra on organic chemical compounds. First successful knowledge-based program for scientific reasoning. |
| | Joel Moses (PhD work at MIT) demonstrated the power of symbolic reasoning for integration problems in the Macsyma program. First successful knowledge-based program in mathematics. |
| | Richard Greenblatt at MIT built a knowledge-based chess-playing program, MacHack, that was good enough to achieve a class-C rating in tournament play. |



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| 1968 | Marvin Minsky & Seymour Papert publish Perceptrons, demonstrating limits of simple neural nets. |
| 1969 | SRI robot, Shakey, demonstrated combining locomotion, perception and problem solving. |
| | First International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI) |
| 1970 | Patrick Winston's PhD program, ARCH, at MIT learned concepts from examples in the world of children's blocks. |
| 1971 | Terry Winograd's SHRDLU demonstrated the ability of computers to understand English sentences in a restricted world of children's blocks. |
| 1972 | Prolog developed by Alain Colmerauer. |
| 1974 | Ted Shortliffe's MYCIN (Stanford) demonstrated the power of rule-based systems for knowledge representation and inference for medical diagnosis and therapy. Sometimes called the first expert system. |



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| 1975 | Marvin Minsky published his widely-read and influential article on Frames as a representation of knowledge, in which many ideas about schemas and semantic links are brought together. |
| | The Meta-Dendral learning program produced new results in chemistry (some rules of mass spectrometry) the first scientific discoveries by a computer to be published in a refereed journal. |
| 1976 | Doug Lenat's AM program (Stanford PhD dissertation) demonstrated the discovery model (discovery of number theory) |
| 1983 | John Laird & Paul Rosenbloom, cognitive architecture SOAR |
| 1989 | Dean Pomerleau at CMU creates ALVINN (An Autonomous Land Vehicle in a Neural Network), autonomous coast-to-coast drive |
| 1997 | Deep Blue beats the current world chess champion, Garry Kasparov, |
| | NASA's pathfinder mission: first autonomous robotics system, Sojourner |
| | First official Robo-Cup soccer match |

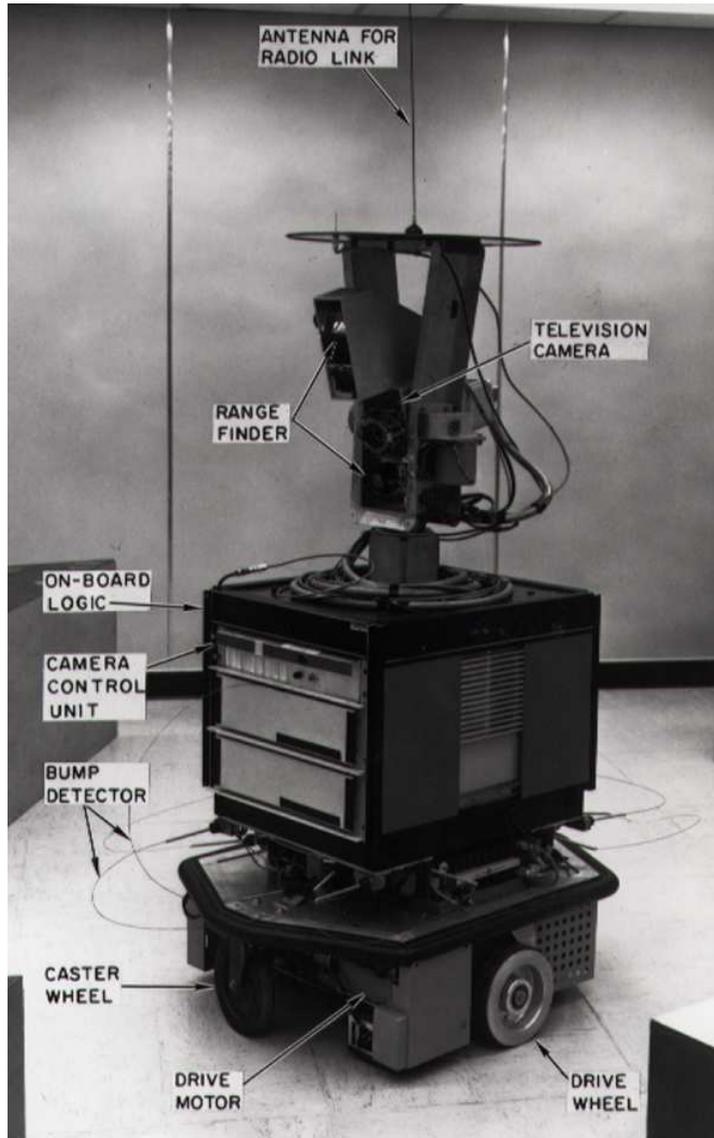


... and today?

- The situation has changed:
 - Computational power, embedded computing devices
 - Cheap sensors and multi-media devices
 - Computer networks, WWW, augmented reality, computer games, robotics
- But: still need for „intelligent“ systems
 - Semantic information retrieval
 - Logistics
 - Domestic service robots
 - Smart devices and ambient intelligence
- Many methods available:
 - Learning, reasoning, probabilistic state estimation and prediction,...



Examples of “recent” AI systems



- SRI's Shakey
 - Knowledge representation
 - (Logical) inference
 - Learning
 - Computer vision
 - Planning



Examples of recent AI systems

- DARPA grand challenges (2004, 2005)



http://cs.stanford.edu/group/roadrunner/old/presskit/high_res_pics/Stanley_Image3.jpg



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- DARPA Urban challenge (2007)

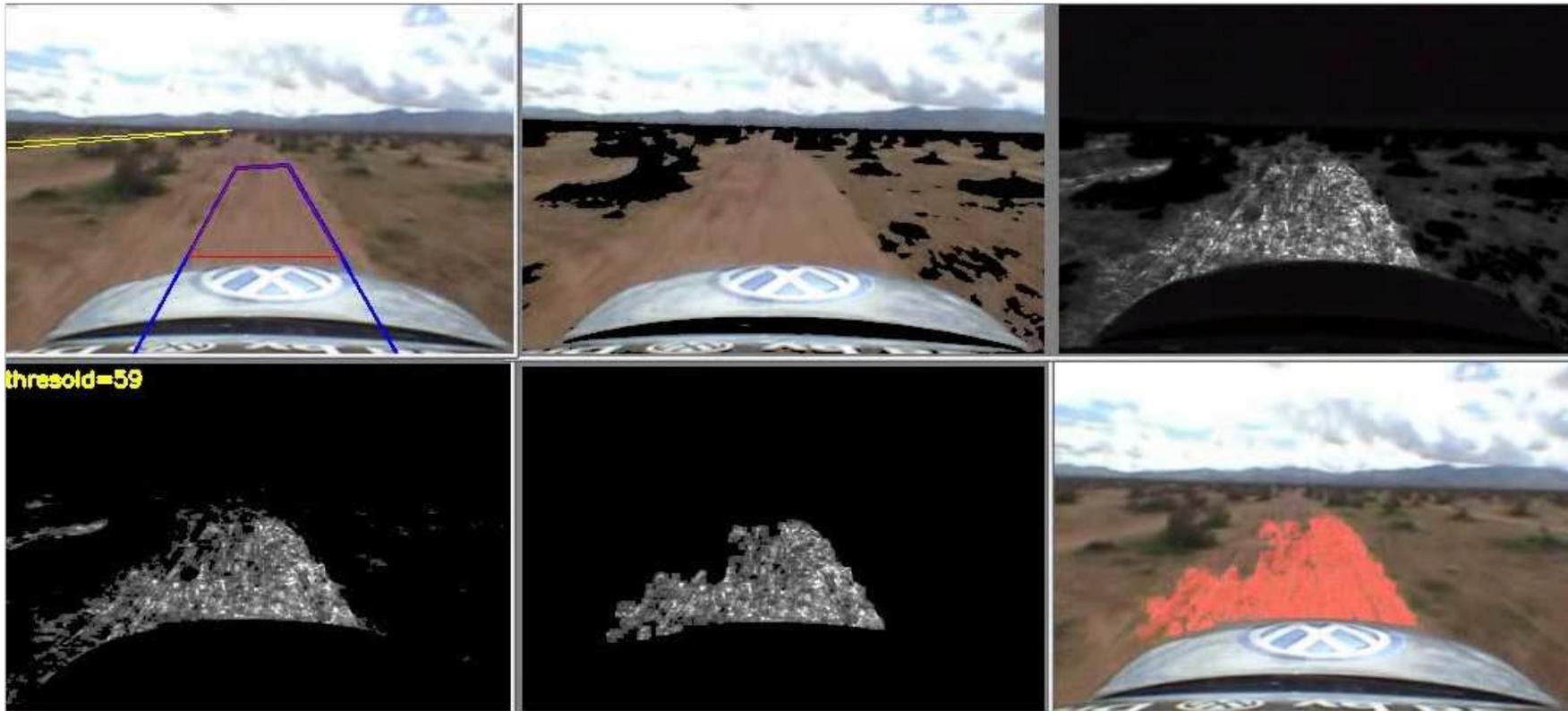


http://archive.darpa.mil/grandchallenge/images/photos/high_res/IMG_6737.JPG



Examples of recent AI systems

- DARPA grand challenge 2005



<http://robots.stanford.edu/talks/stanley/processing.avi>



Examples of recent AI systems

- 2011: IBM's Watson playing Jeopardy!



<http://www.informationweek.com/software/business-intelligence/inside-watson-ibms-jeopardy-computer/229100143>



Examples of recent AI systems

- 2011: Apple's SIRI
 - Personal assistant
 - Speech recognition



http://images.apple.com/ios/images/overview_hero.png



The future

- Complex interacting (robotic) systems
- Natural everyday activities
- “AI completeness“

EU project JAMES:
Joint Action for
Multimodal Embodied
Social Systems



<http://www.fortiss.org/forschung/projekte/james/>



Upcoming DARPA challenge (2012)

- Goal: “develop ground robotic capabilities to execute complex tasks in dangerous, degraded, human-engineered environments.”
- Key robotic technologies include “supervised autonomy, mounted mobility, dismounted mobility, dexterity, strength, and platform endurance.”



<http://www.darpa.mil/uploadedImages/Content/NewsEvents/Releases/2012/Robotics.jpg>



Some thoughts about humans and machines

| Technical Systems | Humans |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| High speed | Slower |
| High accuracy | Less accurate |
| High forces | Less powerful |
| Fast feedback | Slower feedback |

But ...

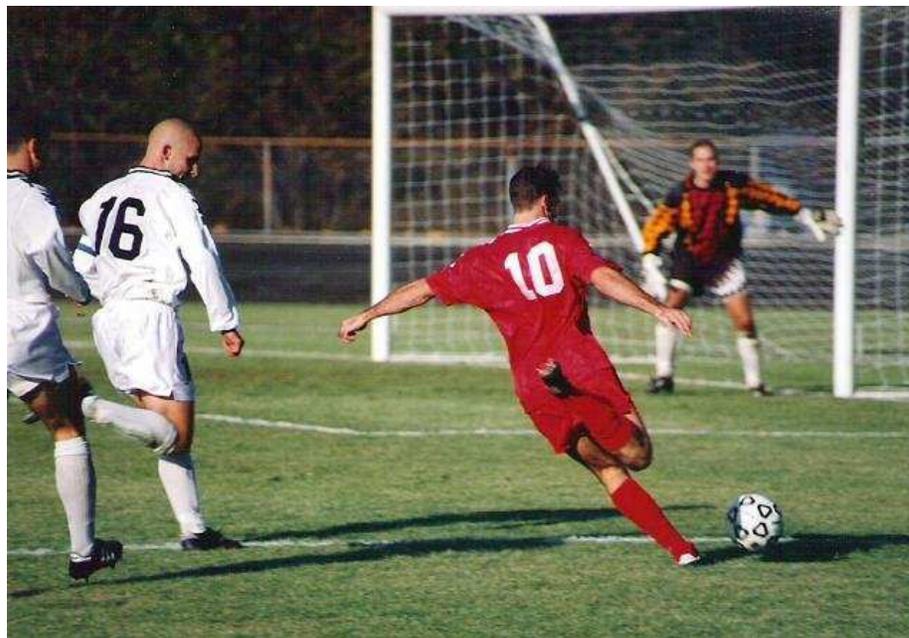
| Technical Systems | Humans |
|--|--|
| Less adaptive | Highly adaptive to unforeseen situations |
| Typically specific power and sensitivity | Large range: power vs. sensitivity |
| Typically for specific purpose | “Universal“ capabilities |



Which problem is harder?



<http://de.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Datei:VishyAnand12.jpg&filetimestamp=20120319084237>



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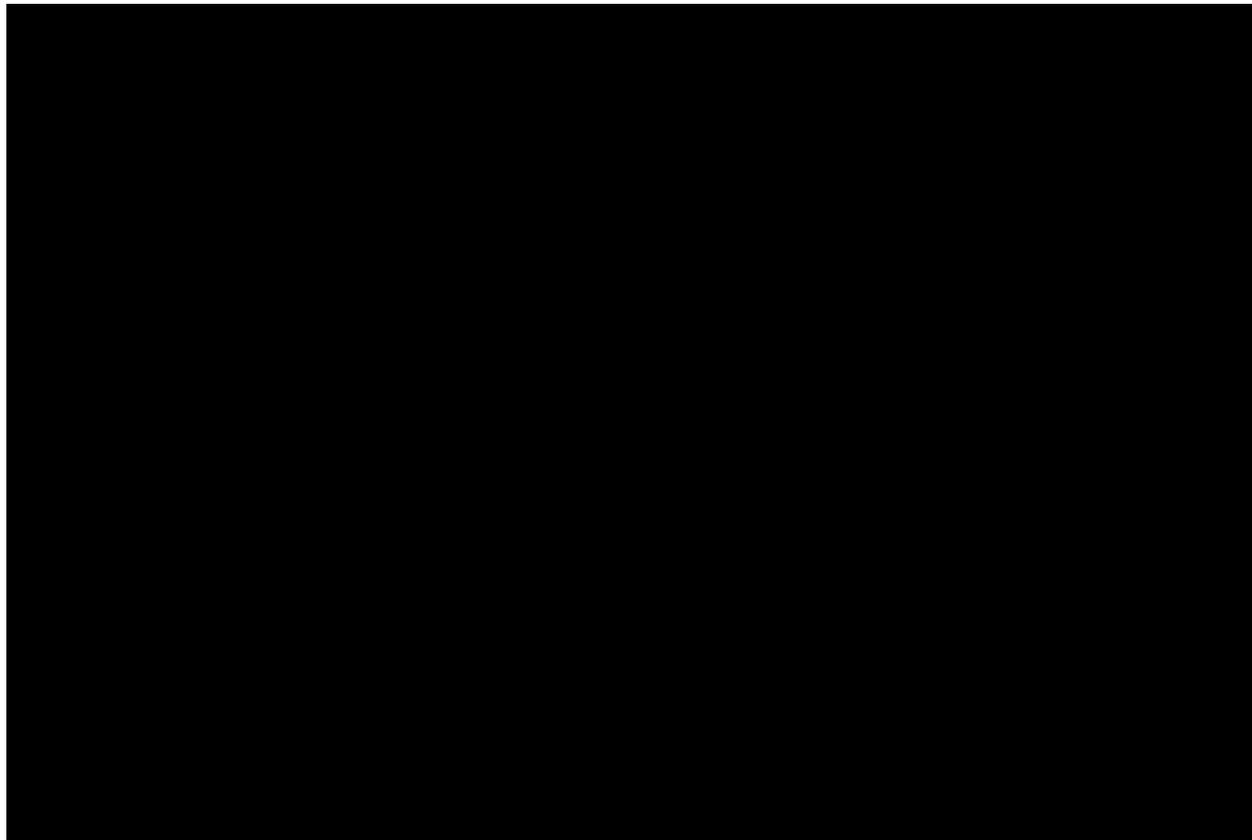
Chess vs. soccer

| | Chess | Soccer |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Environment | Static | Dynamic |
| State changes | Turn taking | Real time |
| Information accessibility | Complete | Incomplete |
| Sensor readings | Symbolic | Non-symbolic, noisy |
| Control | Central | Distributed |



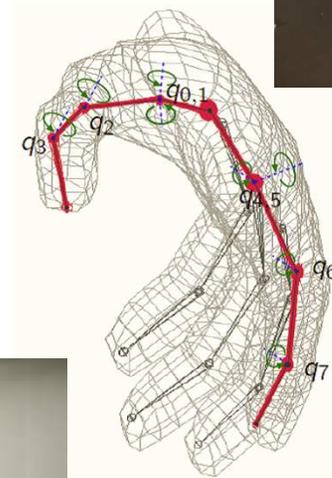
Robot games (soccer, table tennis, ...) require

- Acting in highly dynamic environments
- Acting under uncertainty
- Prediction-based motion control



Why is it so hard?

- Context-based decisions
 - Where to drive/stand
 - Which arm/manipulator to use?
 - How to reach?
 - Which grasp pose?
 - How much force?
 - How to hold/move?



AI for robots – mapping and navigation

- Find a model of the environment based on sensor data

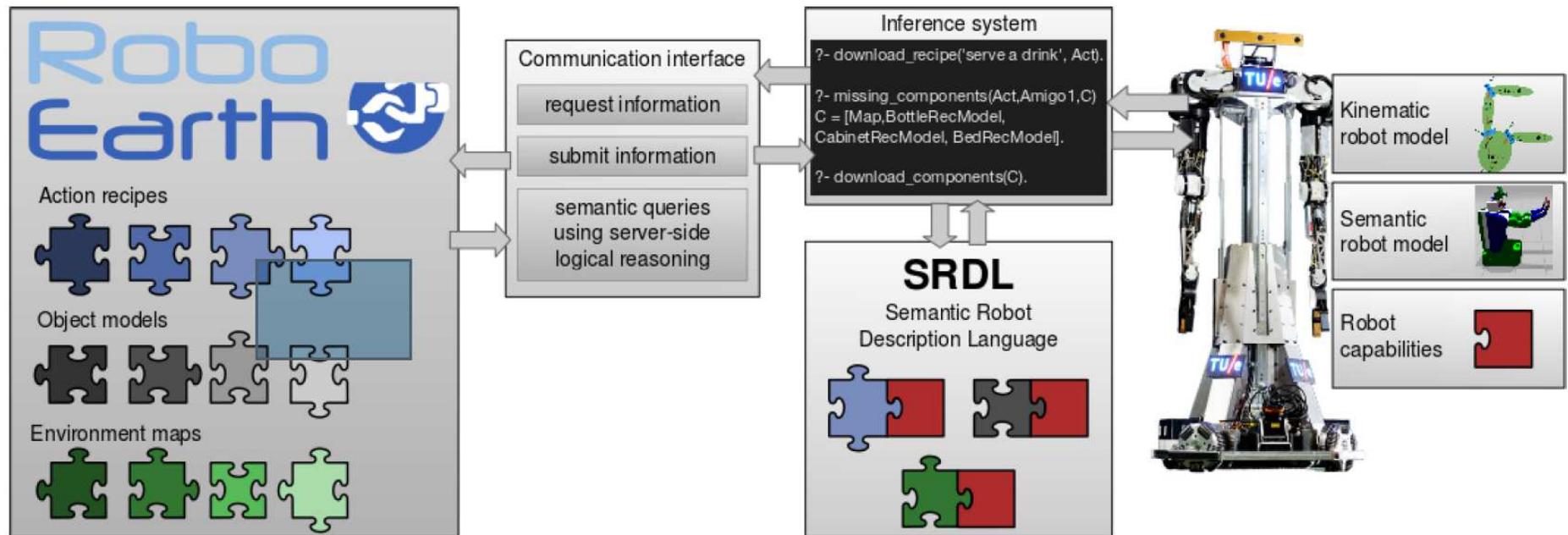


Courtesy of Cyrill Stachniss and Giorgio Grisetti.

- Where am I?
- Where is my goal?
- How to get there?



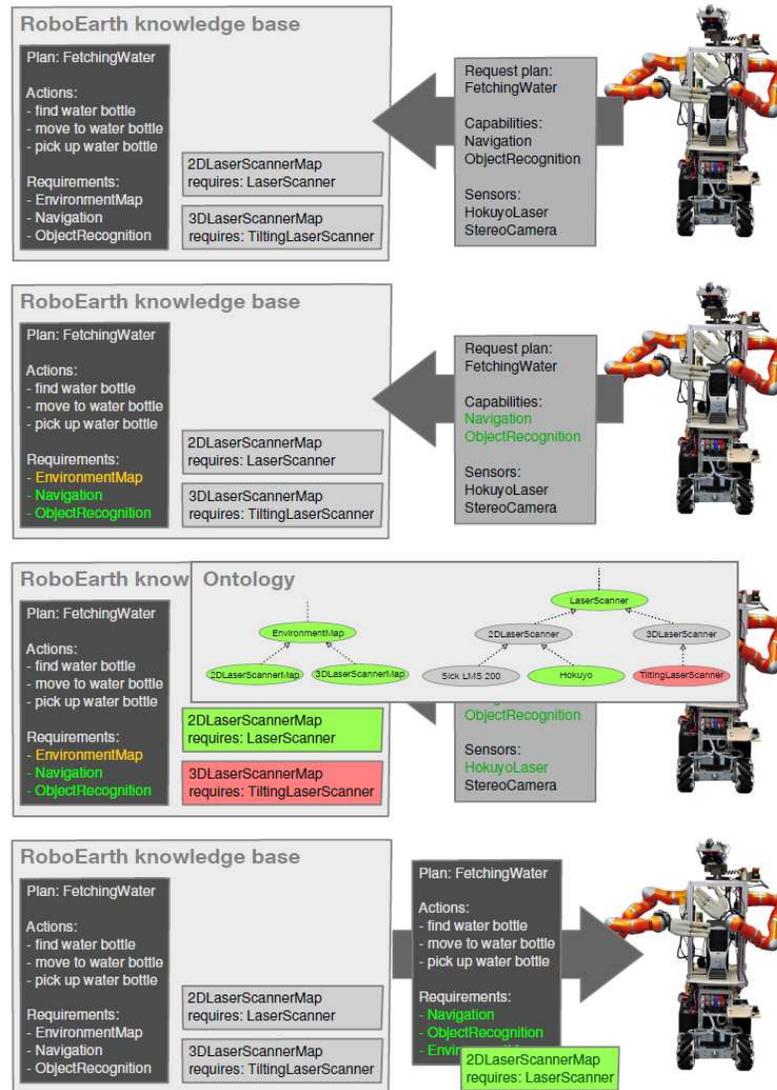
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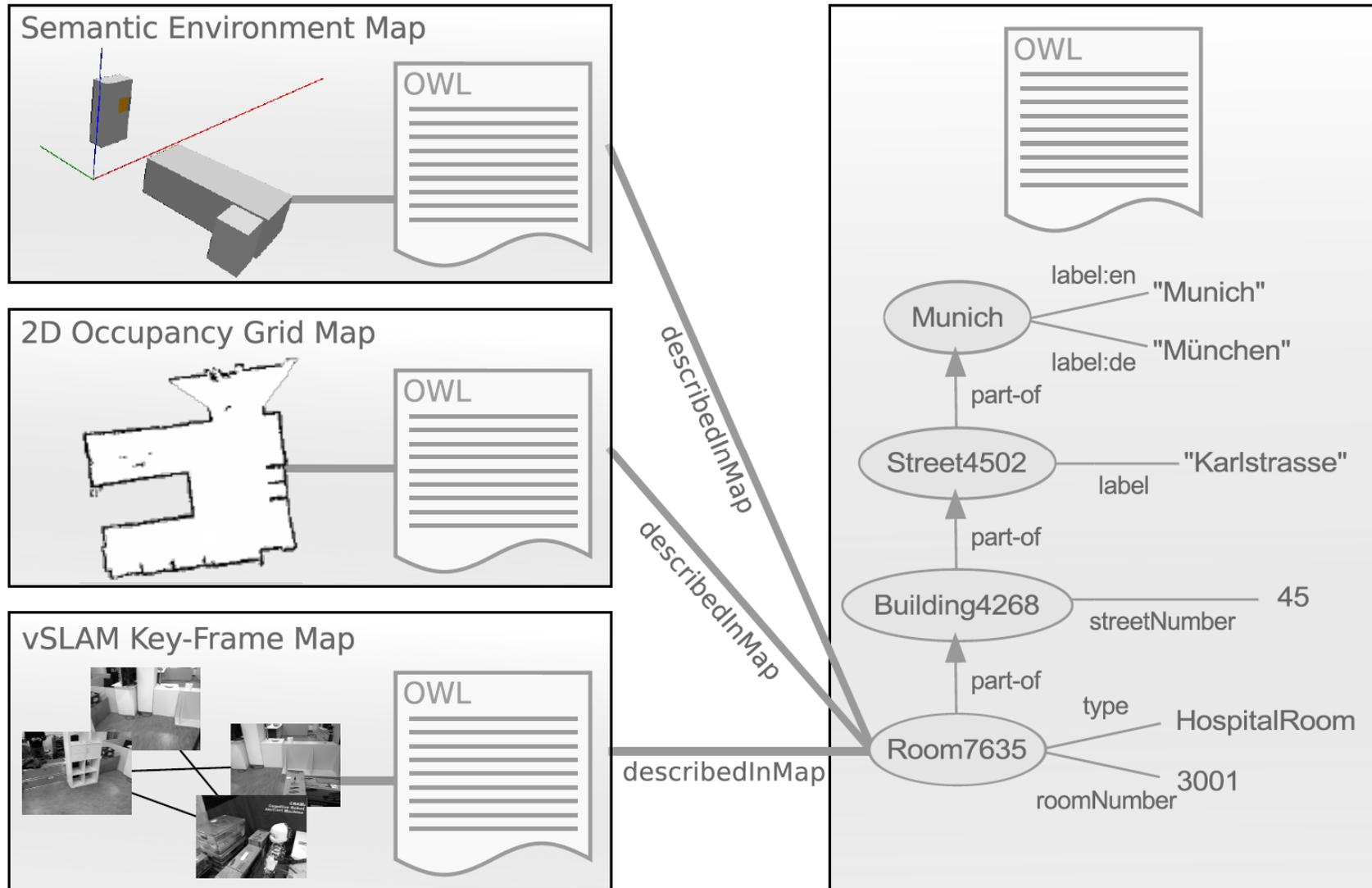
[Moritz Tenorth, Alexander Perzylo, Reinhard Lafrenz, and Michael Beetz. The RoboEarth language: Representing and Exchanging Knowledge about Actions, Objects and Environments. In IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), St. Paul, MN, USA, May 14-18 2012]



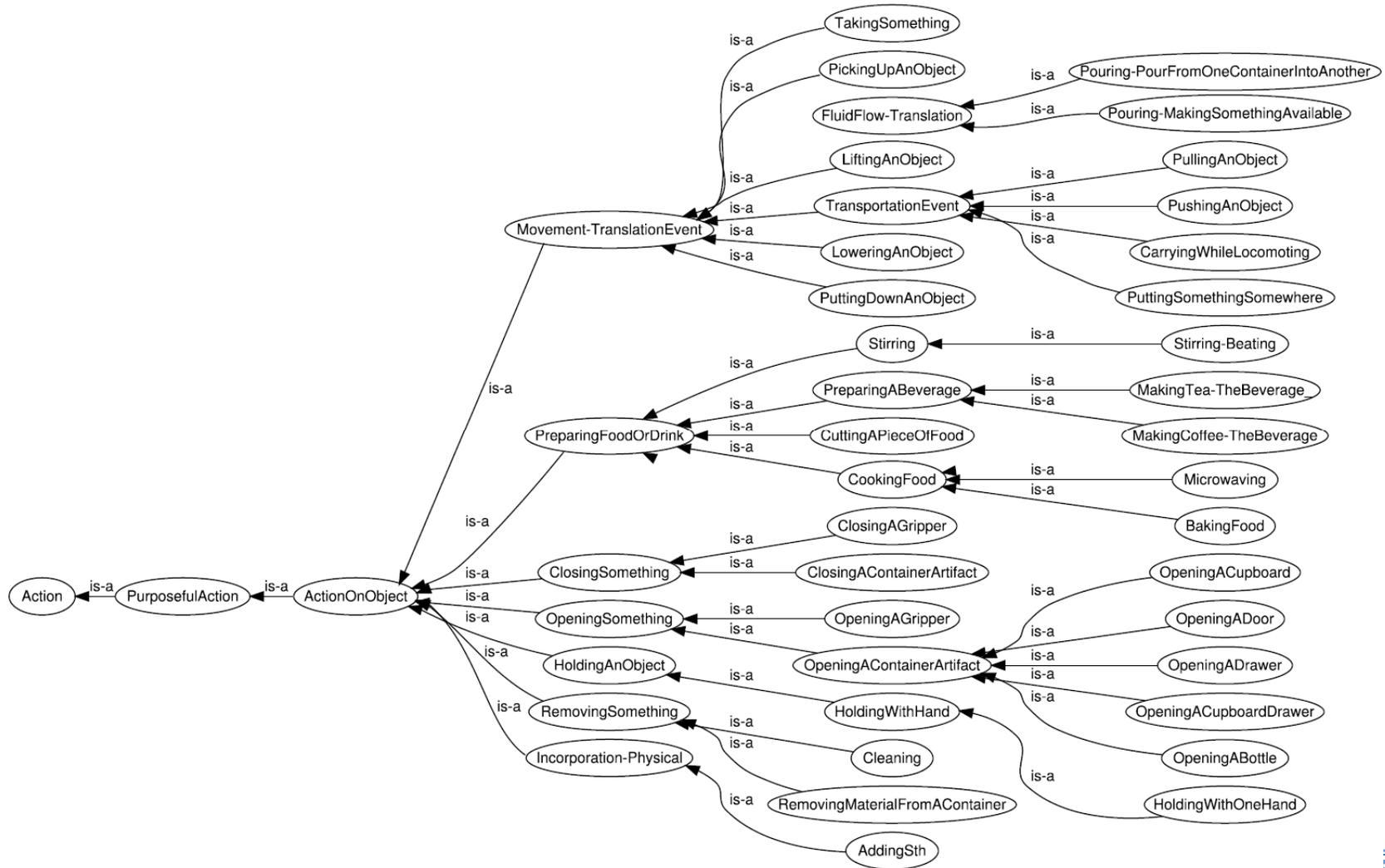
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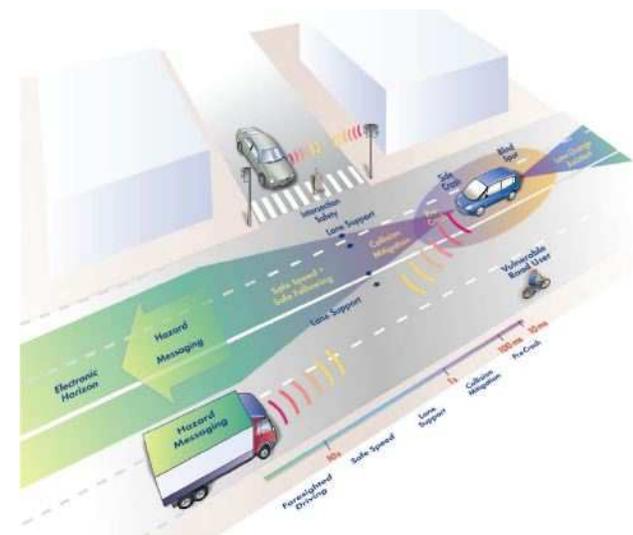


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Conclusion

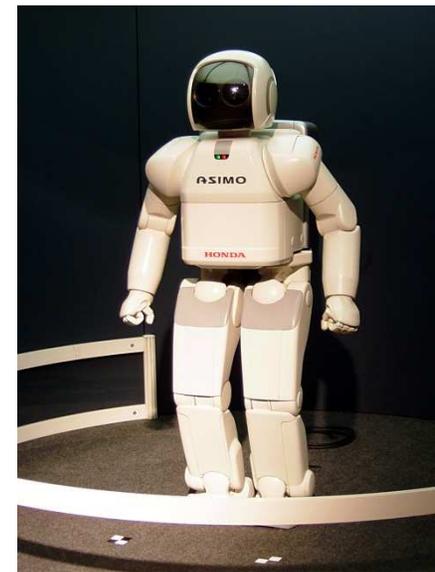
- Different worlds converge:
 - Logics and reasoning
 - Sensors/actuators
 - Embedded systems
 - Real-time systems
 - Human-machine interaction
 - Semantic/smart web



<http://www.forwiss.uni-passau.de/de/projectsingle/52/main.html>



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Lecture outline (to be detailed)

- Introduction (this lecture)
- Intelligent agents
- Problem solving by search
 - Uninformed search
 - Heuristic search
 - Constraint-based search
- Logical agents
- Planning agents
- Knowledge representation
- Acting under uncertainty
- Learning Agents

