



CSCI 101

Connecting with Computer Science

Artificial Intelligence I



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Overview

- Focus: Artificial Intelligence
- Readings: -
- Core Ideas:
 1. What is Artificial Intelligence?
 2. History
 3. Challenges
 4. Discussion

What is Artificial Intelligence?

It's not very intelligence though

What is Artificial Intelligence?

- Robotics
- Virtual Assistant
- Autonomous Vehicles
- ...
- It's more!

What is Artificial Intelligence?

- Core: Statistics and Biology
- Perception: interpret input
- Take Actions: execution through commands and motor functions
- Maximise The Goal: accomplish objective

Artificial Intelligence Areas

- Computer vision: Image processing
- Natural Language Processing: Processing Human Language
- Signal Processing: Audio, etc.
- Knowledge base, Reasoning: Logical representation of knowledge, Logical Reasoning
- Social Intelligence, Creativity

Modern AI Research

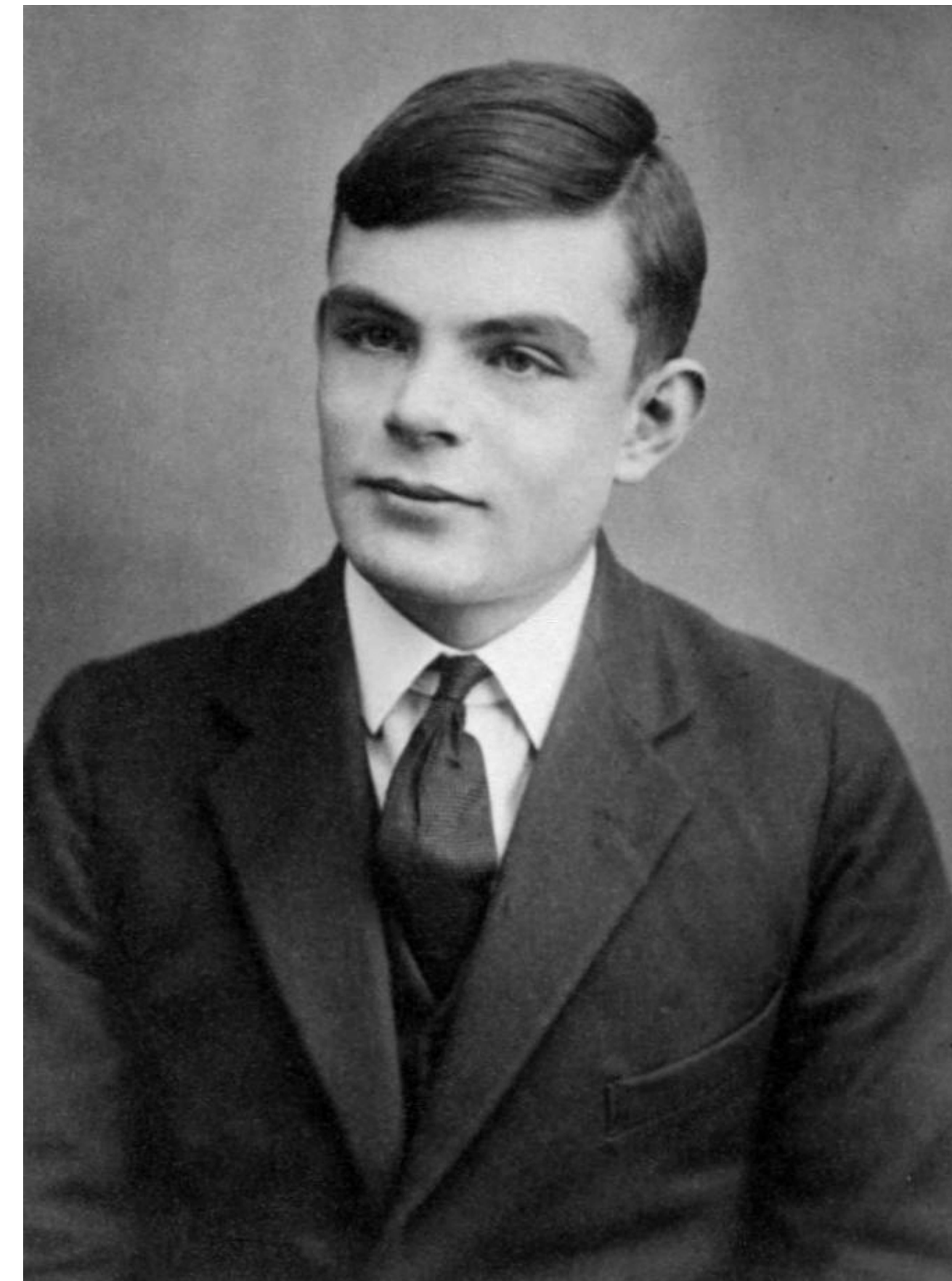
- Infancy, 1 month old child
 - Model: Statistics models, focusing on pattern recognition
 - We cannot yet do reasoning
 - We cannot yet process human language well
 - We cannot yet even recognise objects in a picture
 - Our models are way too simple

History of AI Research

Let's go back

History of AI Research

- Alan Turing: Imitation Game¹ (a.k.a Turing test)
 - A human asks the same questions to a Machine and another Human
 - Can he/she tell which responses are from a human, which are from the machine?
 - What is the key? **Language!**



History of AI Research

- Direction 1: Linguistics and Logic
 - Universal Grammar
 - Formal Logic Inference
- Direction 2: Biology
 - Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition
 - Computer Vision

History of AI Research: Ling

- Noam Chomsky: Universal Grammar¹
 - Chomsky is a linguist
 - *There should be structural rules to languages, applicable to all human languages*
 - If such rules exist, we can convert all human languages to logical representations (Formal Logic)!



1. Hauser, Marc D., Noam Chomsky, and W. Tecumseh Fitch. "The faculty of language: what is it, who has it, and how did it evolve?." *science* 298.5598 (2002): 1569-1579.

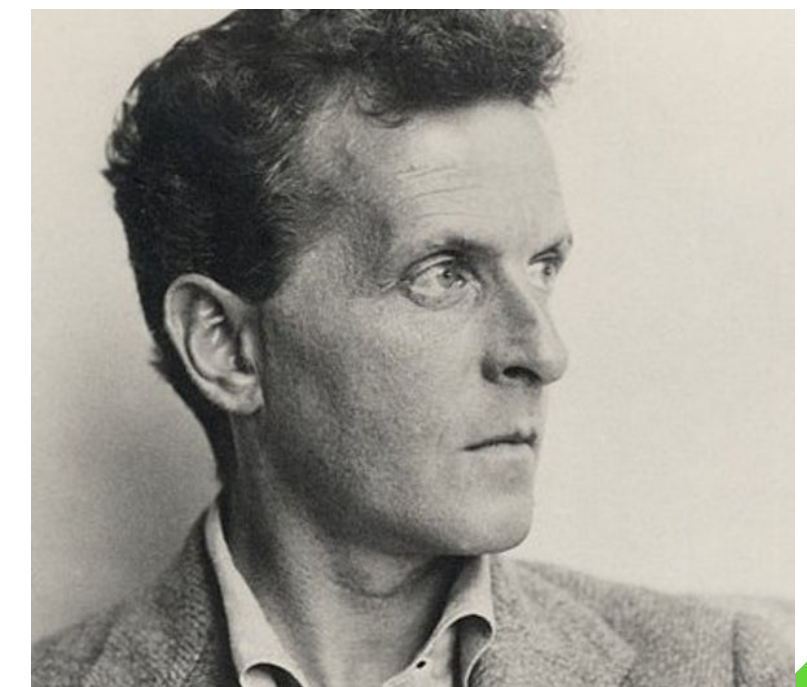
History of AI Research: Ling

**If I give her my heart, she will love me.
I give her my heart.
She loves me.**

- Formal logic
 - Assume p_1 : I give her my heart, p_2 : She loves me
 - Known
 - $p_1 \rightarrow p_2$
 - p_1
 - Inference: p_2 , she loves me!

History of AI Research: Ling

- Problem with Universal Grammar and Formal Logic
 1. Human language is too complex, Universal Grammar cannot be achieved
 2. Formal Logic (first-order or higher-order) cannot establish link to physical world (Naming problem)
- Wittgenstein
whereof one cannot speak, thereof one must be silent¹



1. Wittgenstein, Ludwig. "Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus (trans. Pears and McGuinness)." (1961).

History of AI Research: ML

- Machine Learning
 - Not AI research, but based in Statistics
 - "When it is sunny, people are 90% more likely to buy ice cream"
 - Statistics: Empirical observation of facts
 - Fact: it is sunny, Model prediction: buy ice cream

History of AI Research: ML

- Machine Learning
 - Gathering evidence/features
$$F = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n$$
 - How does an ML model tell if it is a dog?
 - x_0 : "It is fluffy"
 - x_1 : "It has oval eyes"
 - ...



History of AI Research: ML

- Machine Learning
 - Summing up features and learned weights
 - $P(L = \text{cat} | F) = \sum_i (w_i x_i)$
 - e.g.: picture on the right,
 $P(L = \text{cat} | F) = 0.98$



History of AI Research: ML

- Machine Learning
 - Features: we define the features
 - Weight: learned using MATH and a large number of examples
 - This process is called machine learning
 - You need a lot of training data

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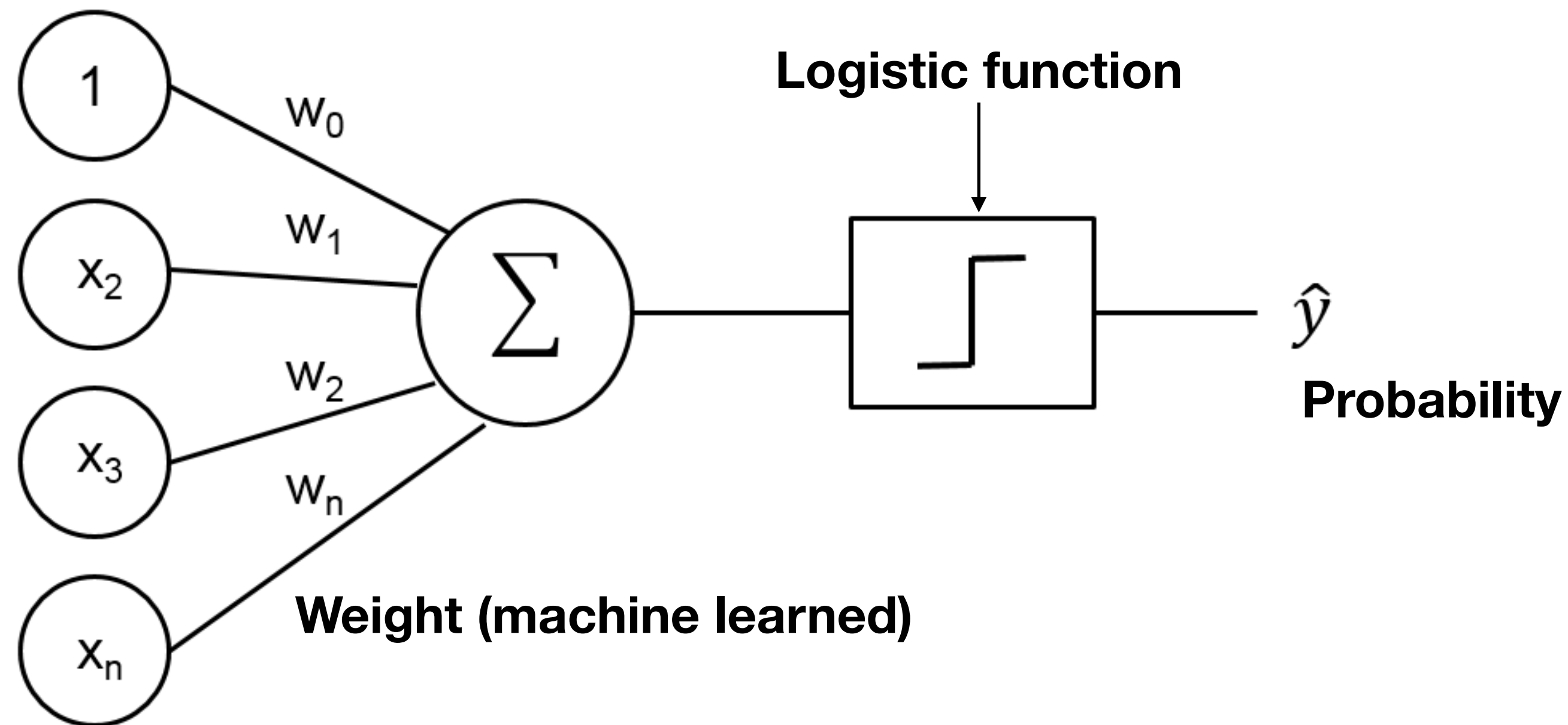
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History of AI Research: ML

Evidence/Feature



Any Machine Learning Model is a Probability Model!

History of AI Research: ML

- Probability Model
 - Recognise Handwritten Digit from Image X
 - $P(L = 9 | X) + P(L = 8 | X) + \dots + P(L = 0 | X) = 1$
 - Sentiment Analysis for Sentence X
 - $P(L = \text{Positive} | X) + P(L = \text{Negative} | X) + P(L = \text{Neutral} | X) = 1$
 - Voice Recognition from audio clip X
 - $P(L = \text{Open my door} | X) + P(L = \text{Get weather report} | X) + \dots$

What are the challenges for AI?

All AI Models Now Are Probabilistic Models

- $P(L|X)$
 - The set L is finite, but the real world is not finite, possibilities are infinite
 - Heavily dependent on training data
 - $\langle x, l \rangle$ is an observation of Input and Correct label
 - There is no way we can expose the model to all possible input/correct label set
 - Our best ML model cannot do 100% accuracy on all seen data

Our Probabilistic Models are **WAAAYYYY** too Simple

- Neural Network
 - More complex than the Perceptron Model we've seen before
 - Best we can do: tens of thousands of "Artificial Neurons"
 - Human Brain: 86 billion
 - Rabbit: 0.5 billion
 - Snail: 11,000, our AI might be less complicated as Snails

We don't know anything about the real world

- Naming and Identity: The Ship of Theseus
- What do I mean by "chair" in "bring me the chair next door"?
 - In the physical world, there is a chair next door.
 - In my mind, there is a chair next door.
 - In an infinite possible worlds, there is one in which there is a chair next door.

AI is a Philosophical Problem

- And we've just started

**What are the questions
you have about AI?**

What I will discuss

- Wednesday
 - Brief introduction to Neural Networks
- Thursday
 - A list of modern problems in AI and their solutions
- I want to know what you want to know!