

# Intelligent Systems (AI-2)

Computer Science cpsc422, Lecture 34

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# Lecture Overview

- TA Evaluations / Teaching Evaluations
- IBM Watson....
- After 422....
- (422) Highlights from IUI conferences
- Final Exam: how to prepare.....

# TA evaluations

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Also if you have not done it yet, fill  
out the teaching evaluations

<https://eval.olt.ubc.ca/science>.

login to the site using your CWL



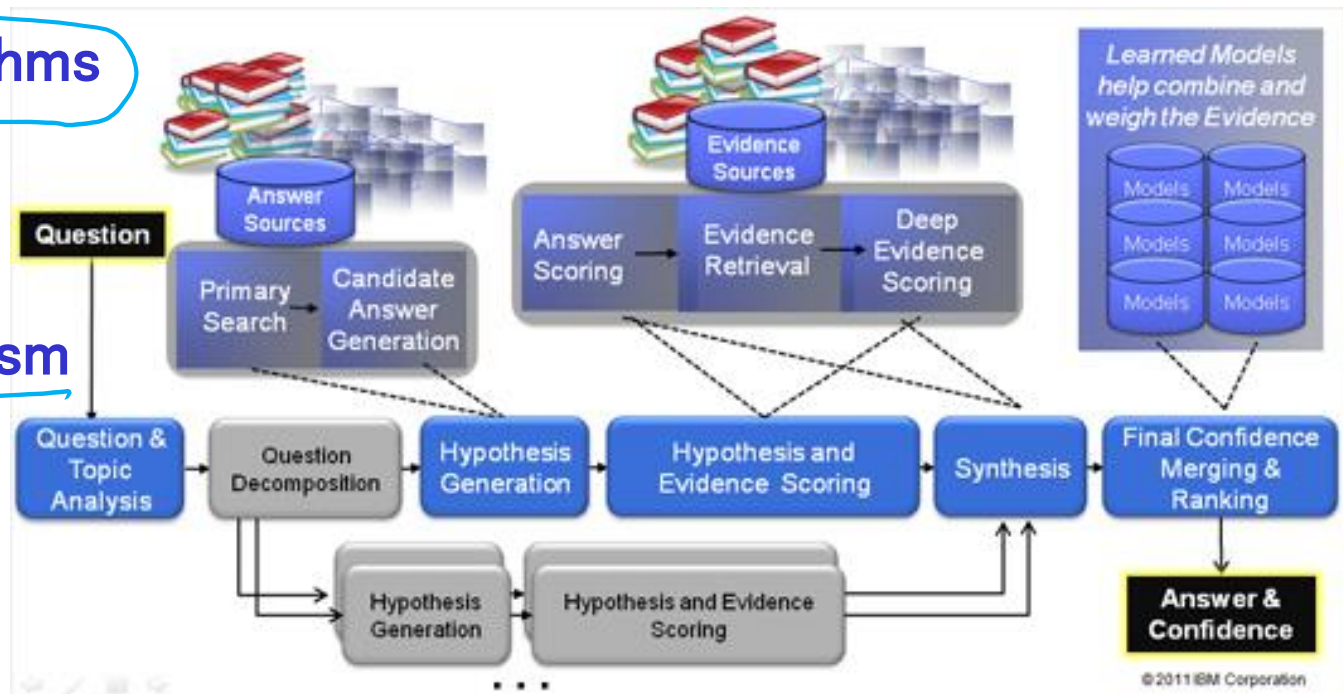
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**Watson** : analyzes natural language questions and content well enough and fast enough to compete and win against champion players at Jeopardy!

*"This Drug has been shown to relieve the symptoms of ADD with relatively few side effects."*

- 1000s of algorithms and KBs
- 3 secs
- Massive parallelism



# AI techniques in 422 / Watson

- Parsing (PCFGs)
- Shallow parsing (NP segmentation with CRFs)
- Entity and relation Detection (NER with CRFs)
- Logical Form Generation and Matching
- Logical Temporal and Spatial Reasoning
- Leveraging many databases, taxonomies, and ontologies (only 25%)
- Confidence... Probabilities (Bnets to rank)
- Strategy for playing *Jeopardy*... statistical models of players and games, game-theoretic analyses ... .. and application of reinforcement-learning (Buzz-in – Bets)



# From silly project to \$1 billion investment

2005–6 “IT’ S a silly project to work on, it’ s too gimmicky, it’ s not a real computer–science test, and we probably can’ t do it anyway.” These were reportedly the first reactions of the team of IBM researchers challenged to build a computer system capable of winning “Jeopardy!

.....*after 8-9 years...*

On January 9<sup>th</sup> 2014, with much fanfare, the computing giant announced plans to invest \$1 billion in a new division, IBM Watson Group. By the end of the year, the division expects to have a staff of 2,000 plus an army of external app developers ...Mike Rhodin, who will run the new division, calls it “one of the most significant innovations in the history of our company.” Ginni Rometty, IBM’ s boss since early 2012, has reportedly predicted that it will be a \$10 billion a year business within a decade.

# More complex questions in the future...



Or something like: “Should Europe reduce its energy dependency from Russia and what would it take?”

And interactive, collaborative question-answering /  
problem solving



# AI applications.....

- DeepQA
- Robotics
- Search Engines
- Games
- Tutoring Systems
- Medicine / Finance / ...
- .....

Most companies are investing in AI and/or developing/adopting AI technologies

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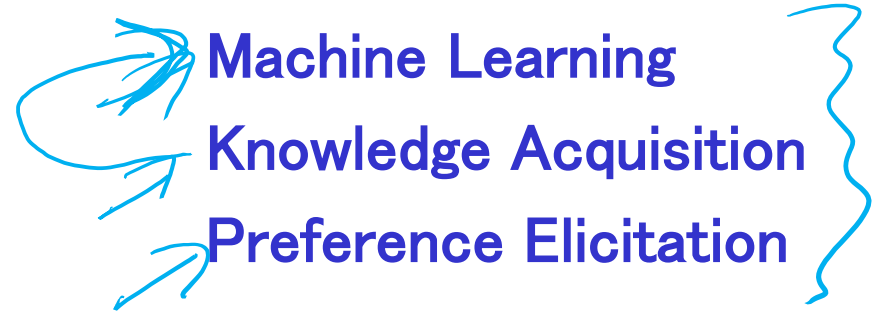


# StarAI (statistical relational AI)

Hybrid: Det +Sto

*Prob CFG*  
*Prob Relational Models*  
*Markov Logics*

# After 422...



Deterministic

Stochastic

Query

<i>Logics</i> <i>First Order Logics</i> <i>Ontologies</i>	<i>Belief Nets</i> <i>Markov Chains and HMMs</i>
	<i>Undirected Graphical Models</i> <i>Markov Networks</i> <i>Conditional Random Fields</i>
Planning	<i>Markov Decision Processes and Partially Observable MDP</i> <i>Reinforcement Learning</i>

Where are the components of our representations coming from?

The probabilities?

The utilities?

The logical formulas?

From people and from data!

# Some of our Grad Courses

522: Artificial Intelligence II : Reasoning and Acting  
Under Uncertainty

Sample Advanced Topics····

Relational Reinforcement Learning for Agents in Worlds  
with Objects, relational learning.

– Probabilistic Relational Learning and Inductive Logic  
Programming at a Global Scale,

# Some of our Grad Courses

503: Computational Linguistics I / Natural Language Processing

Sample Advanced Topics.....

- Topic Modeling (LDA) – Large Scale Graphical Models
- Discourse Parsing by Deep Learning (Neural Nets)
- Abstractive Summarization

# Other AI Grad Courses: check them out

532: Topics in Artificial Intelligence (different courses)

- User-Adaptive Systems and Intelligent Learning Environments
- Foundations of Multiagent Systems

540: Machine Learning

505: Image Understanding I: Image Analysis

525: Image Understanding II: Scene Analysis

515: Computational Robotics

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# AI and HCI meet

## Keynote Speaker:

**Prof. Dan Weld, University of Washington**

## **Intelligent Control of Crowdsourcing**

Crowd-sourcing labor markets (e.g., Amazon Mechanical Turk) are booming, ..... use of partially-observable Markov decision Processes (POMDPs) to control voting on binary-choice questions and iterative improvement workflows.

... applications range from photo tagging to audio-visual transcription and interlingual translation

# Some papers from IUI

## Unsupervised Modeling of Users' Interests from their Facebook Profiles and Activities

Preeti Bhargava (*University of Maryland*)

Oliver Brdiczka (*Vectra Networks, Inc.*)

Michael Roberts (*Palo Alto Research Center*)

named entity recognition, document categorization, sentiment analysis, semantic relatedness and social tagging

Semantic Textual Similarity (STS) system [13] for computing the SR scores. STS is based on LSA along with WordNet knowledge and is trained on LDC Gigawords and Stanford Webbase corpora

# Some papers from IUI-15

## **BayesHeart: A Probabilistic Approach for Robust, Low-Latency Heart Rate Monitoring on Camera Phones**

Xiangmin Fan (*University of Pittsburgh*)

Jingtao Wang (*University of Pittsburgh*)

BayesHeart is based on an adaptive hidden Markov model, requires minimal training data and is user-independent.

Two models, one with 2 states and one with 4 states, work in combination....

.... measuring people's heart rates through commodity cameras by capturing users' skin transparency changes, color changes, or involuntary motion

**Applications:** gaming, learning, and fitness training

# Recent submissions I have reviewed for IUI 2017

Applied in two systems

- (a) Question answering for a spreadsheet product.
- (b) provides convenient access to a revenue/inventory database for a large sales force.....

Support users who do not necessarily have coding skills....

We also derive an additional  
lexicon for entities in our

knowl  
with a We use a **context-free grammar** to parse  
the annotated query. The grammar

**knowl** rules are writ We used multiple ways of establishing  
types. **semantic similarity** between a question

term and the lexicon.

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## ...Modeling Twitter Customer Service Conversations Using Fine-Grained Dialogue Acts

Tag	Example
Statement Informative	The signal came back last night [...]
Request Information	Can you send us [...]?
Statement Complaint	Staff didn't honor online info, was dismissive [...]
Question Yes-No	Have you tried for availability at [...]
Statement Expressive Neg.	I don't trust places that do bad installations [...]
Statement Suggestion	Let's try clearing the cache <link> [...]
Answer (Other)	Depends on the responder [...]
Social Act Apology	I'm sorry for the trouble [...]
Social Act Thanks	Thanks for the help [...]
Question Wh-	Why was that?
Statement Offer	We can always double check the account [...]
Question Open	How come I can't get a [...] quote online?
(All Other Acts)	

We develop an SVM-HMM model to identify dialogue acts in a conversation, in a real-time setting, and using a novel multi-label approach to capture different dialogic intents contained in a single turn.

# Last Clicker Question

I would like to learn more about AI...

- A. Yes
- B. Maybe
- C. No




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Final Exam, Thur, Dec 9,  
we will start at 7:00PM Location: MCLD 228

## How to prepare...

- Learning Goals (posted on Connect)
- Revise all the clicker questions, practice exercises, assignments and midterm
- Will post more practice material today 
- Office Hours – **Me Mon 10-noon** / Post Questions on Piazza

Can bring letter sized sheet of paper with anything written on it (double sided)