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The answer to the ultimate question of life is 42
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General:

- All triangles have three sidesAll tomatoes are red
- All tomatoes a
 n² = n * n

- Hinference
 Given facts, we'd like to ask questions
 Key: depending on how we store the facts, this can be easy or hard
 People do this naturally (though not perfectly)
 For computers, we need specific rules
 For example:
 - Johnny likes to program in C
 C is a hard programming language
 - Computer scientists like to program in hard languages

What can we infer?













+ First order logic (aka predicate calculus)

Uses objects (entities) and relations/functions

- Fixes two key problems with propositional logic
- Adds relations/functions
- Likes(John, C)
- isA(Obama, person)
- isA(Obama, USPresident)
- programsIn(John, C)
- This is much cleaner than:
- JohnLikeC
- MaryLikesC
- JohnLikesMary
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+ How about...

 $\forall x \ isA(x, Rose) \Rightarrow \exists y \ has(x, y) \land thorn(y)$ "Every rose has its thorn"

 $\forall x \exists y \text{ isPerson}(x) \land \text{ isPerson}(y) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(x,y)$ "Everybody loves somebody"

 $\exists y \forall x \text{ isPerson}(x) \land \text{ isPerson}(y) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(x, y)$ "There is someone that everyone loves"

 $\forall x \exists y \exists z \text{ isPerson}(x) \land \text{isPerson}(y) \land \text{isTime}(z) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(x,y)$ "Everybody loves somebody, sometime"



















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⁺Open mind common sense

Use the intellect of the masses!

http://openmind.media.mit.edu/

The good:

- much broader set of relationships
- lots of human labeling
- can collect lots of datahuman labeled
- reduces spam
- more general statement engine
- i nore general statement engine

+ Open mind common sense The bad: = relies on the user = still a limited vocabulary = only scoring is voting = limited coverage in many domains





NELL: Never-Ending Language Learning

- http://rtw.ml.cmu.edu/rtw/
- continuously crawls the web to grab new data
- learns entities and relationships from this data
- started with a seed set

 uses learning techniques based on current KB to learn new information











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The good:

- Continuously learnsUses the web (a huge data source)Learns generic relationships
- Combines multiple approaches for noise reduction

The bad:

- makes mistakes (overall accuracy still may be problematic for real world use)
- does require some human intervention
- still many general phenomena won't be captured