



Inference Rules (Pt. II)



Important Concepts

Subderivations

A subderivation is a **procedure** through which we make a new assumption to derive a sentence of TL we couldn't have otherwise derived.

All subderivations are initiated with an **assumption** for the application of a subderivational rule of inference, i.e., $\supset I$, $\sim I$, $\sim E$, $\forall E$, $\equiv I$.

All subderivation rules, however, **must eventually close** the assumption with which it was initiated.

A close-up, high-angle photograph of a golden, metallic mechanical component, possibly a part of a watch movement. The component features several curved, polished surfaces and a central cylindrical section. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the metallic sheen and creating deep shadows. In the bottom-left corner, there is a black rectangular box containing the text "Rules of Inference" in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

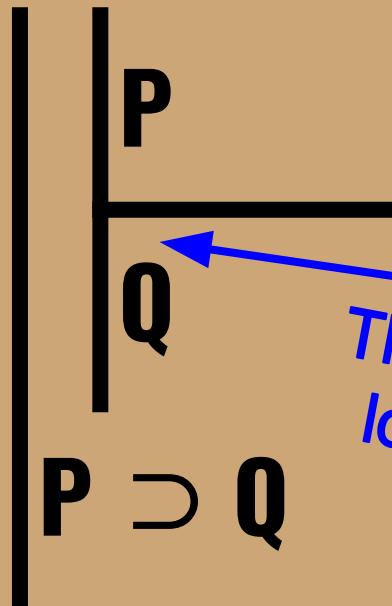
Rules of Inference

Conditional Introduction

$(\supset I)$

Where **P** and **Q** are
meta-variables ranging
over declarative
sentences...

And above this...

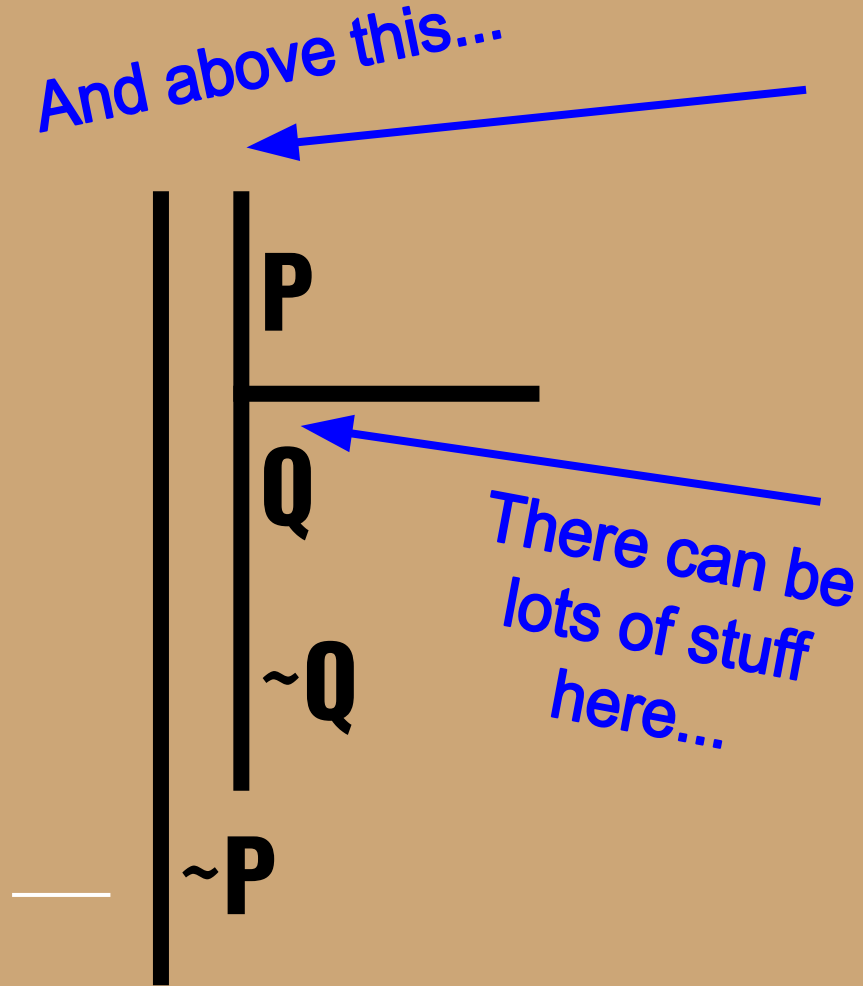


There can be
lots of stuff
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Negation Introduction

(\sim I)

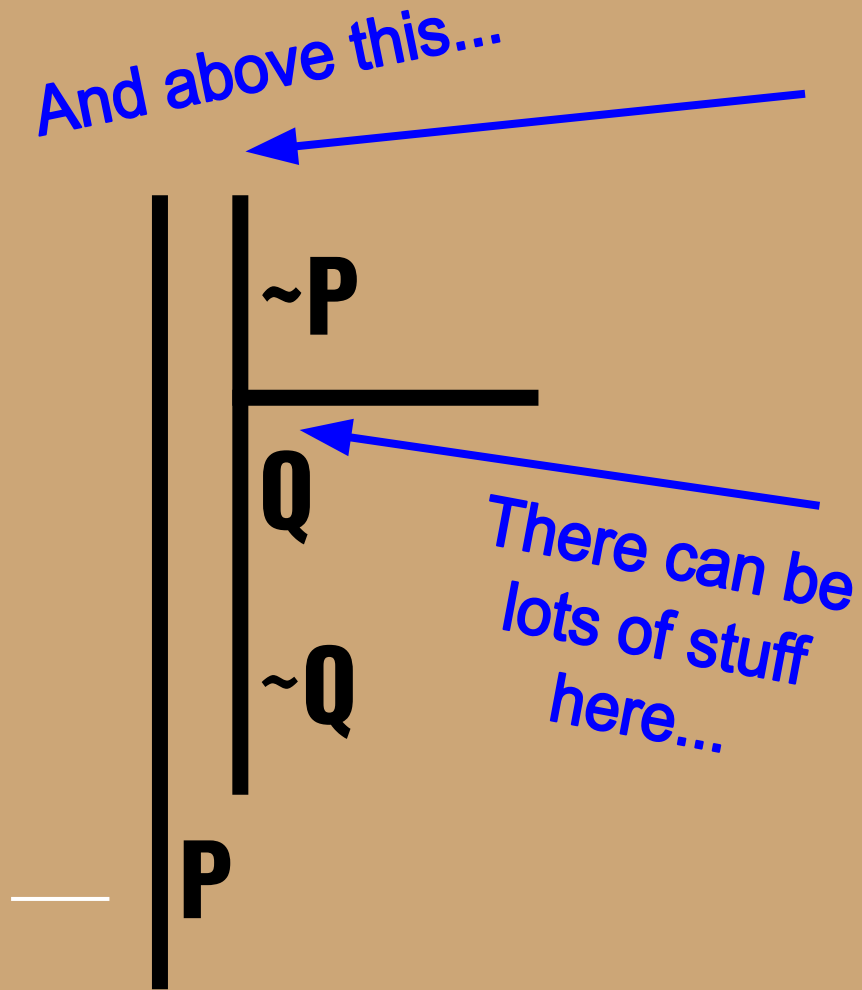
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Negation Elimination

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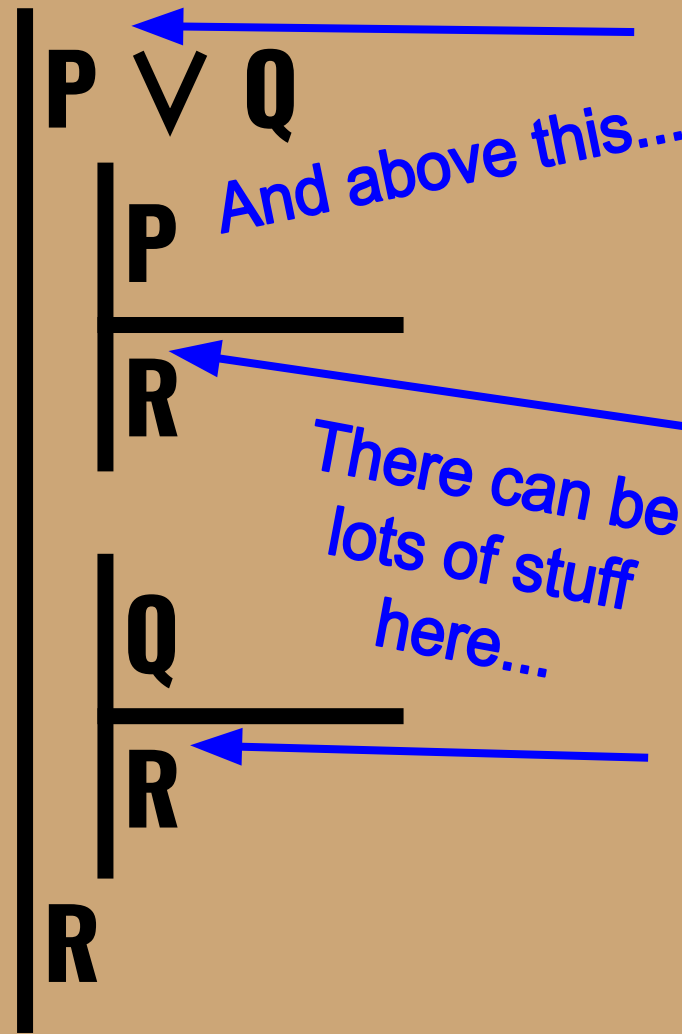
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Disjunction Elimination

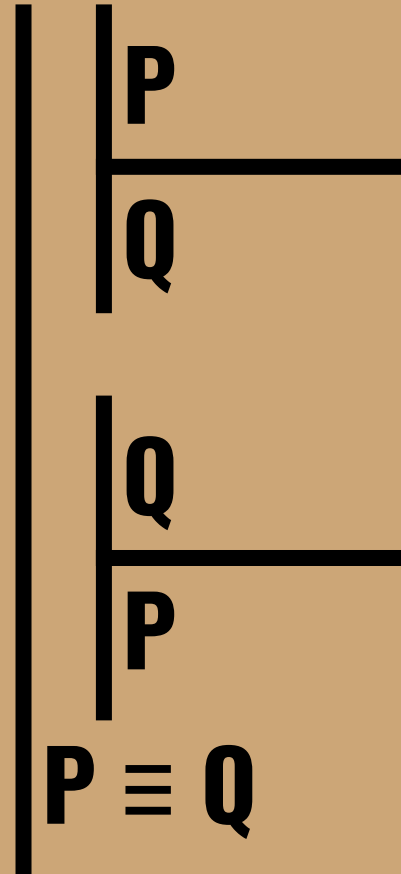
($\vee E$)

Where **P** and **Q** are
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Biconditional Introduction ($\equiv I$)

Where **P** and **Q** are
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Derivations in SD

A **derivation in SD** is a series of sentences of TL, each of which is either an assumption or is obtained from previous sentences by one of the rules of SD.

Fitch Notation

Fitch Notation is the **notational system** we will use for constructing formal proofs.

Fitch-style proofs arrange the sequence of sentences that make up the proof into **rows** and use varying degrees of **indentation** for the assumptions made throughout the proof.

Premise(s)

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Assumption

...

Inference(s)

...

Justification

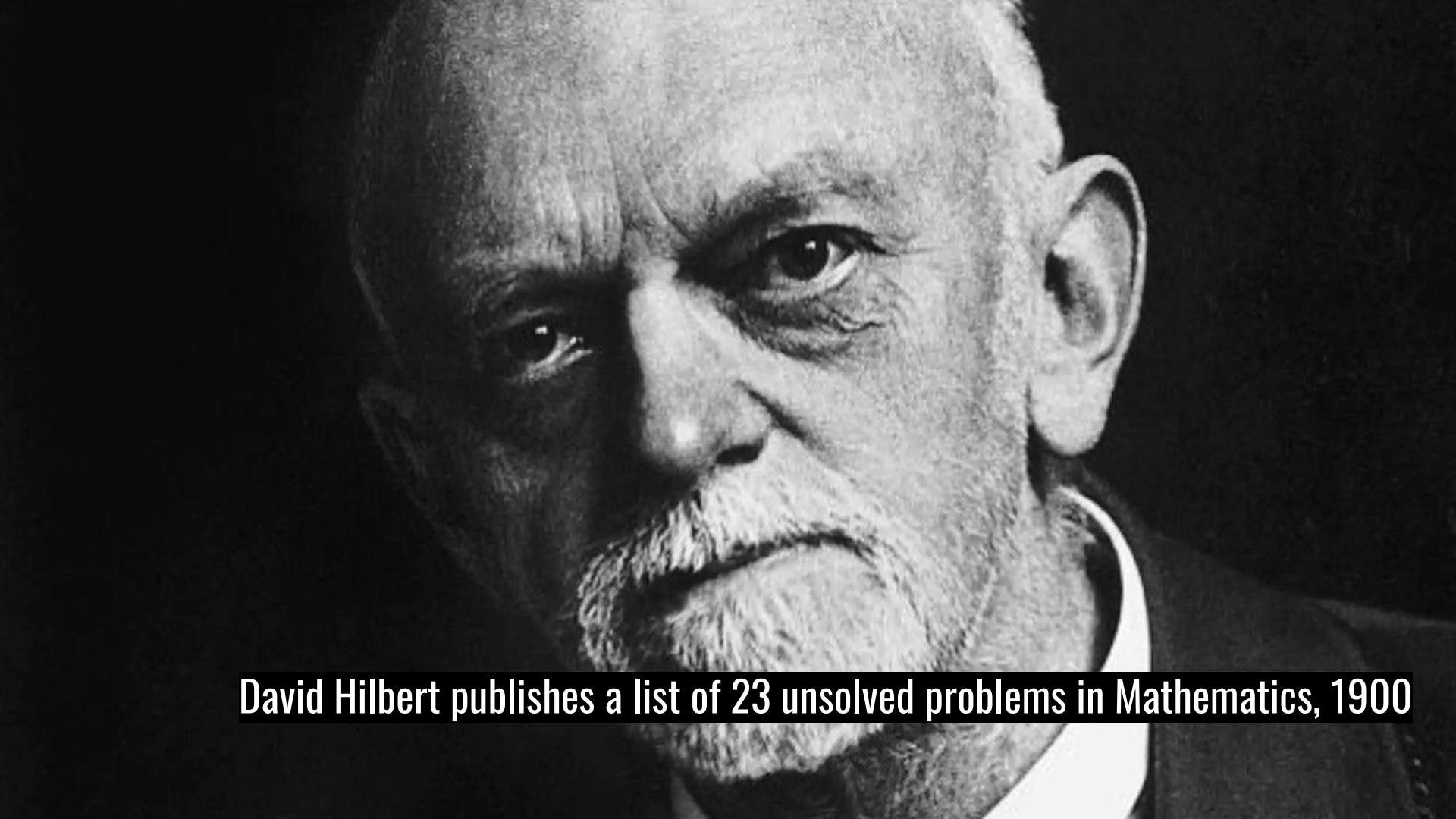
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Conclusion

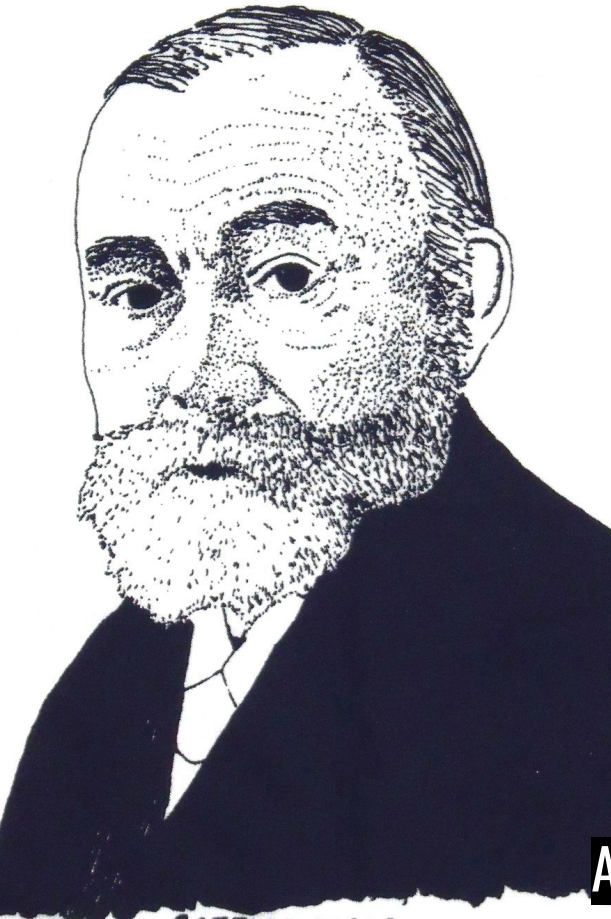
Justification

Storytime!





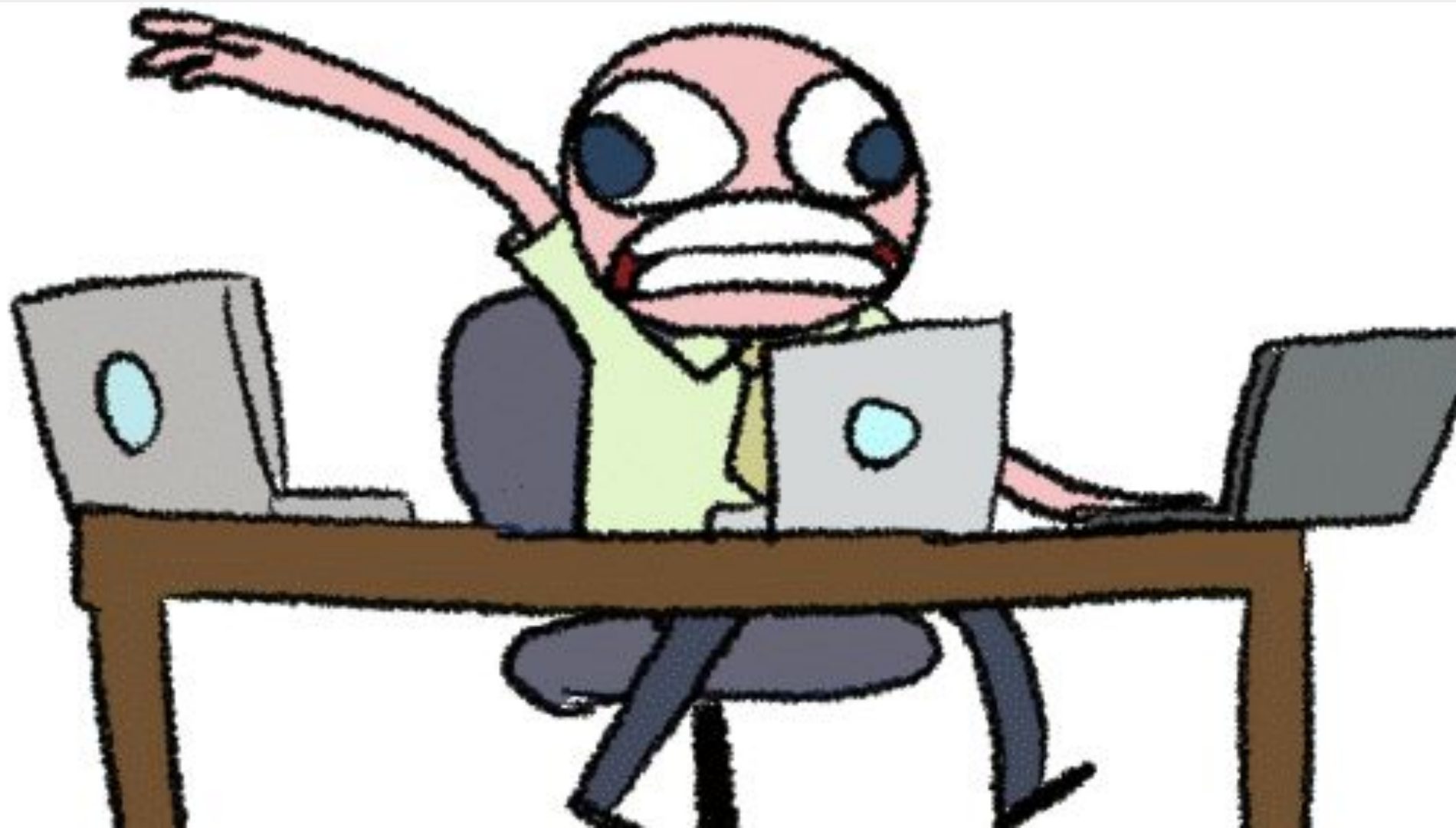
David Hilbert publishes a list of 23 unsolved problems in Mathematics, 1900

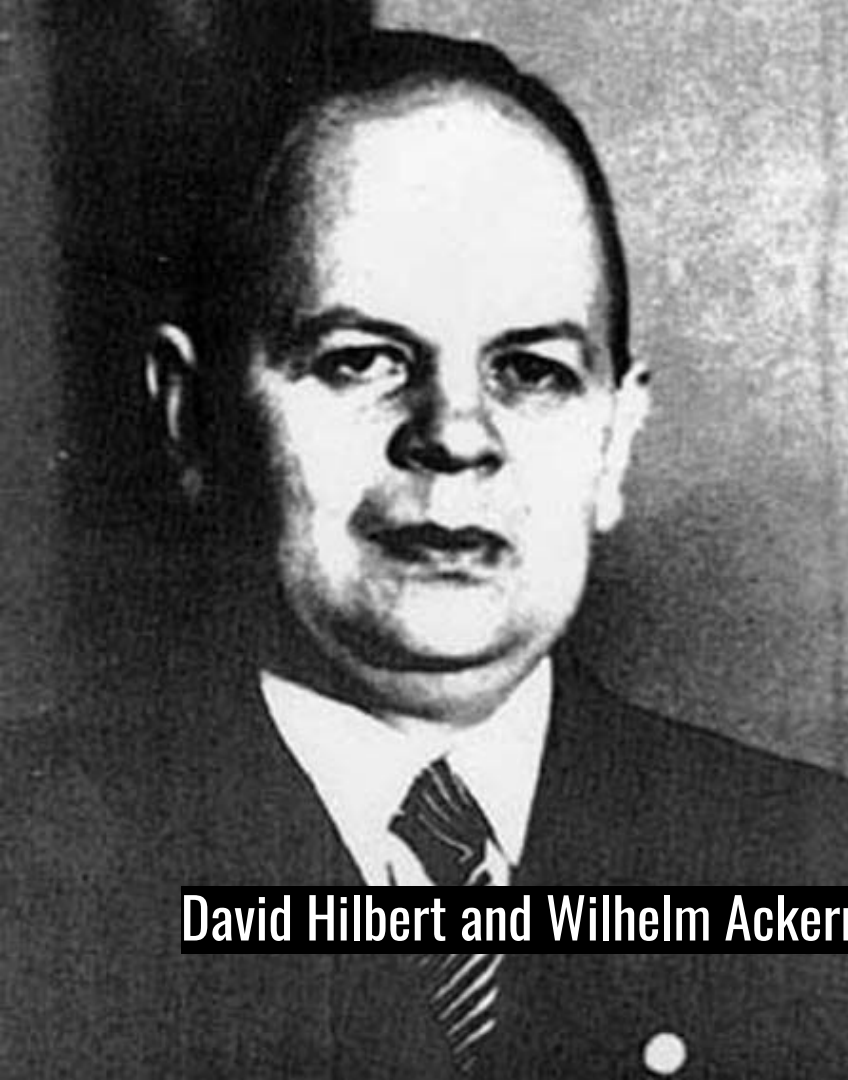


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1848 - 1925

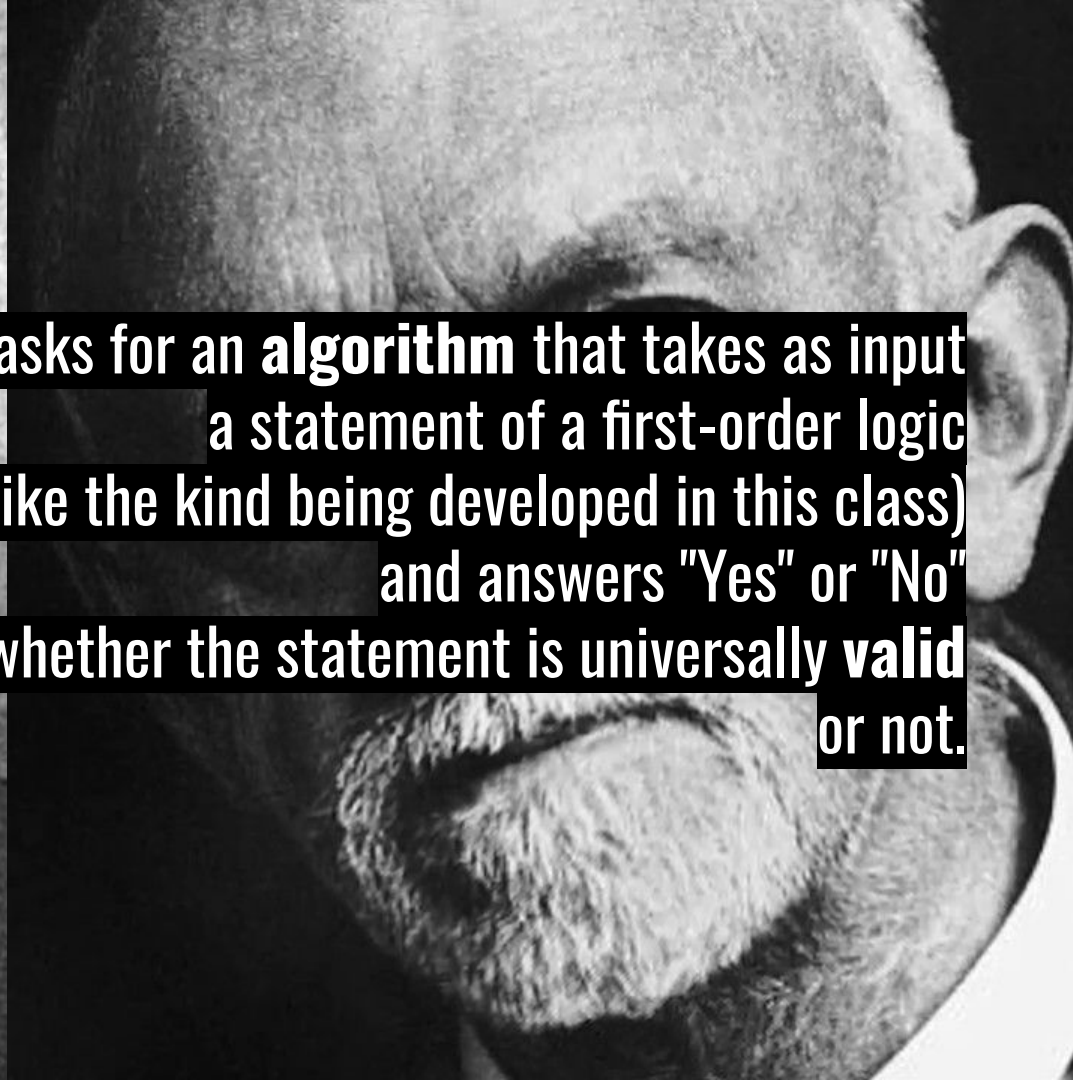
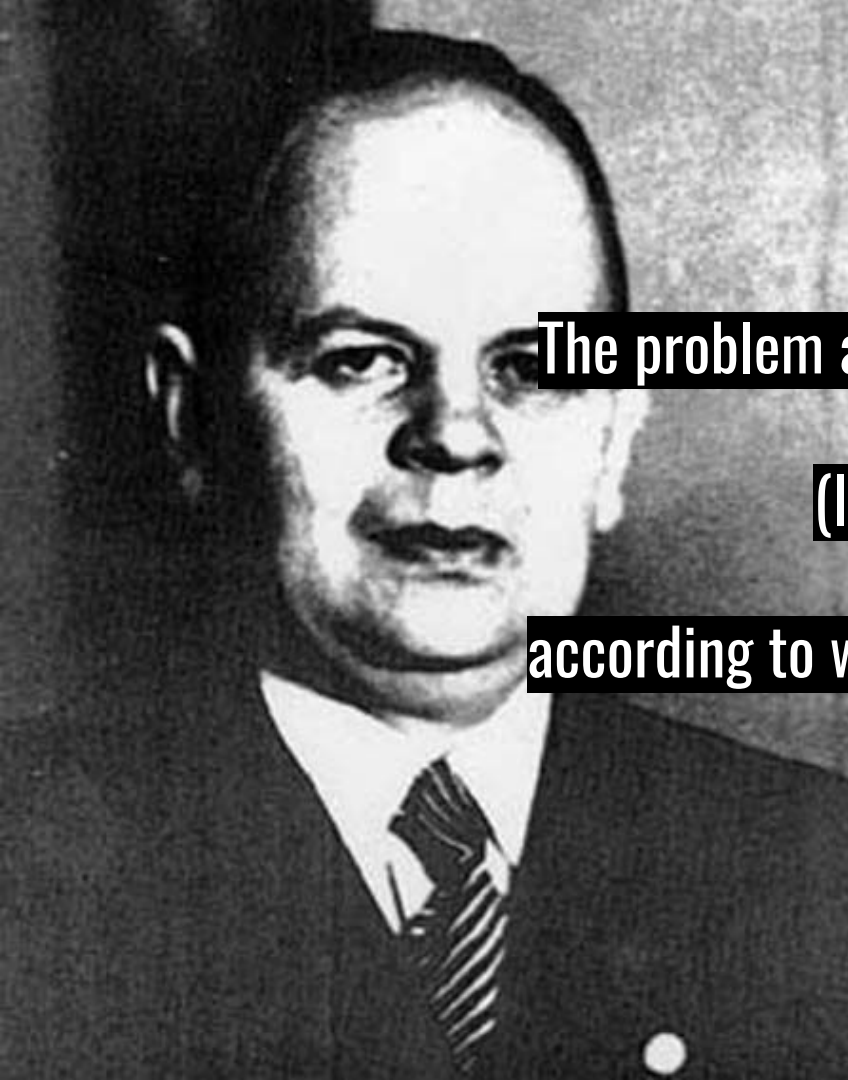


Among the problems was the continuing puzzle over Logicism...





David Hilbert and Wilhelm Ackermann propose the Entscheidungsproblem, 1928



The problem asks for an **algorithm** that takes as input a statement of a first-order logic (like the kind being developed in this class) and answers "Yes" or "No" according to whether the statement is universally **valid** or not.

ON COMPUTABLE NUMBERS, WITH AN APPLICATION TO
THE ENTSCHIEDUNGSPROBLEM

By A. M. TURING.

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The “computable” numbers may be described briefly as the real numbers whose expressions as a decimal are calculable by finite means. Although the subject of this paper is ostensibly the computable *numbers*, it is almost equally easy to define and investigate computable functions of an integral variable or a real or computable variable, computable predicates, and so forth. The fundamental problems involved are, however, the same in each case, and I have chosen the computable numbers for explicit treatment as involving the least cumbersome technique. I hope shortly to give an account of the relations of the computable numbers, functions, and so forth to one another. This will include a development of the theory of functions of a real variable expressed in terms of computable numbers. According to my definition, a number is computable if its decimal can be written down by a machine.

In §§ 9, 10 I give some arguments with the intention of showing that the computable numbers include all numbers which could naturally be regarded as computable. In particular, I show that certain large classes of numbers are computable. They include, for instance, the real parts of all algebraic numbers, the real parts of the zeros of the Bessel functions, the numbers π , e , etc. The computable numbers do not, however, include all definable numbers, and an example is given of a definable number which is not computable.

Although the class of computable numbers is so great, and in many ways similar to the class of real numbers, it is nevertheless enumerable. In § 8 I examine certain arguments which would seem to prove the contrary. By the correct application of one of these arguments, conclusions are reached which are superficially similar to those of Gödel†. These results

† Gödel, “Über formal unentscheidbare Sätze der Principia Mathematica und verwandter Systeme, I”, *Monatshefte Math. Phys.*, 38 (1931), 173–198.



Alan Turing publishes *On Computable Numbers*, 1936

Person of Interest: Alan Turing



Occupation:

Mathematician

Logician

Philosopher

Notable Accomplishments:

Solving the Entscheidungsproblem

Cryptanalysis of Enigma

Church-Turing Thesis

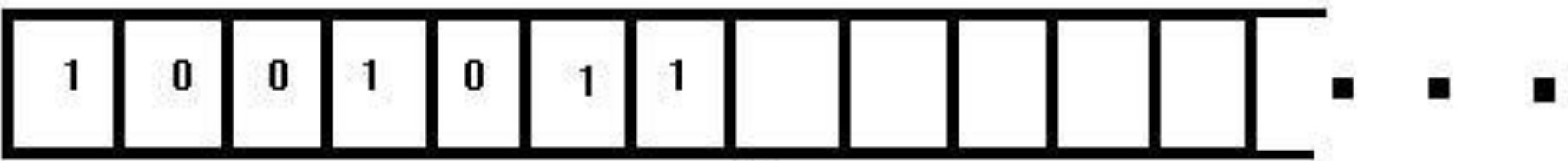
Turing Machines

Turing Tests

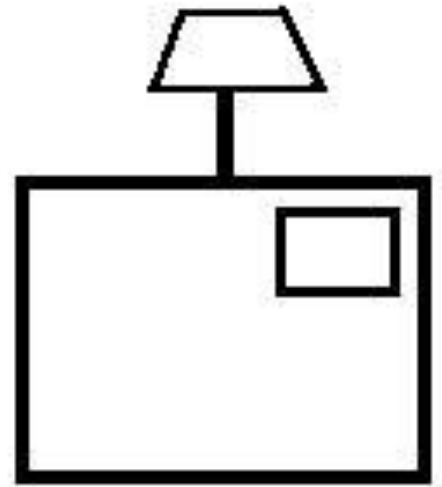
Turing Machines

A **Turing machine** is an abstract computational device intended to help investigate the extent and limitations of what can be computed.

In other words, it's an imaginary device that can do computations.



Tape



States: 1...n

Control device

Question: Can machines think?

Turing: 'Think' is an ambiguous term.

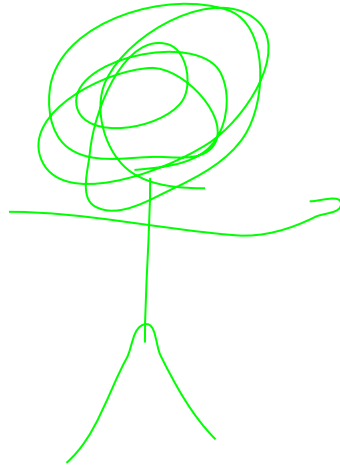
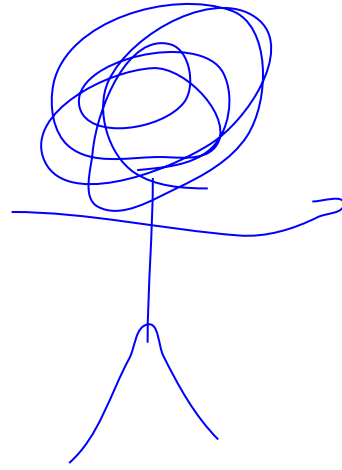
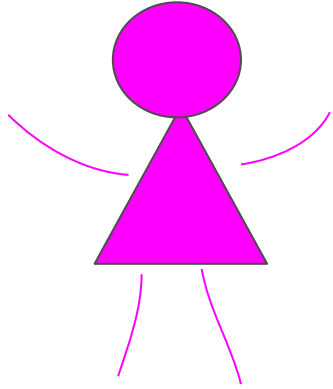
Consider the following question instead-

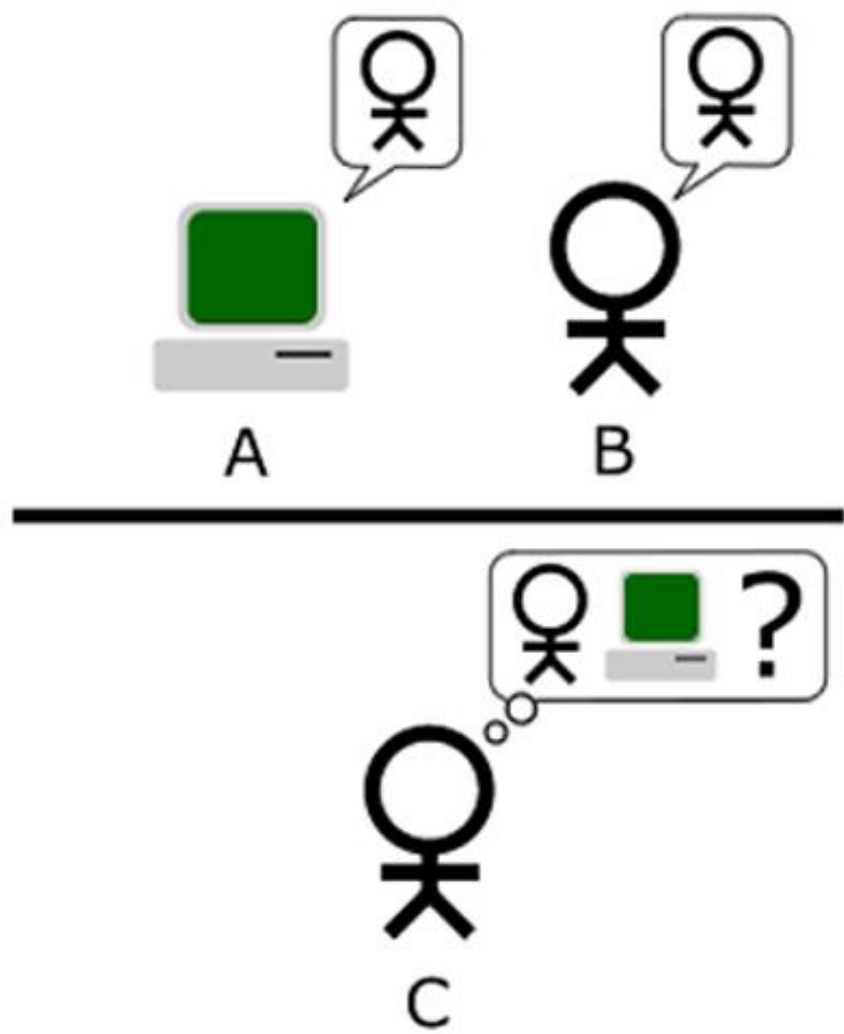
“Are there imaginable digital computers which would do well in *The Imitation Game*?”

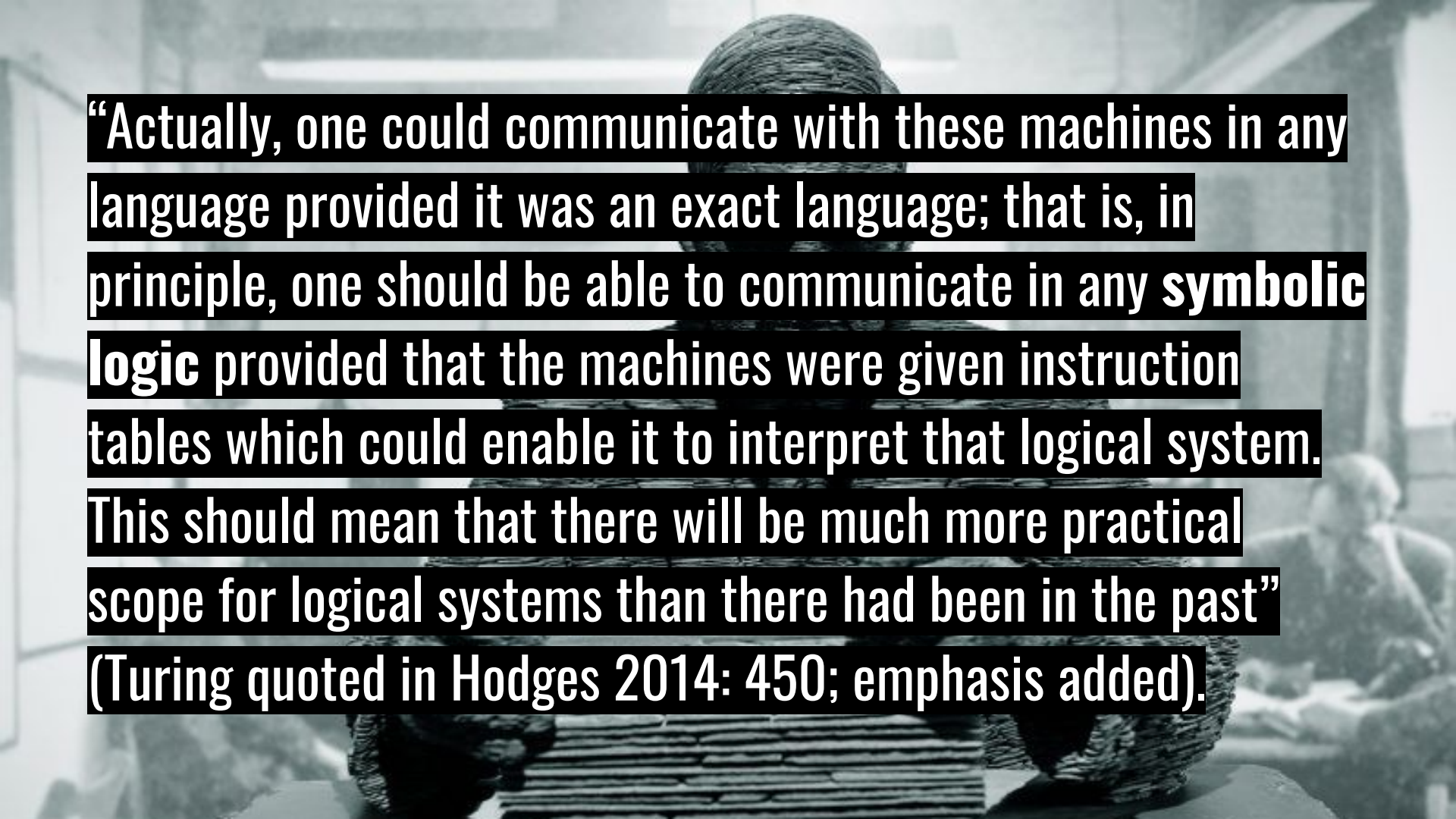
We now call this a Turing test...

Turing Test

A **Turing test** is a test of a machine's ability to exhibit intelligent behavior equivalent to (or indistinguishable from) that of a human.



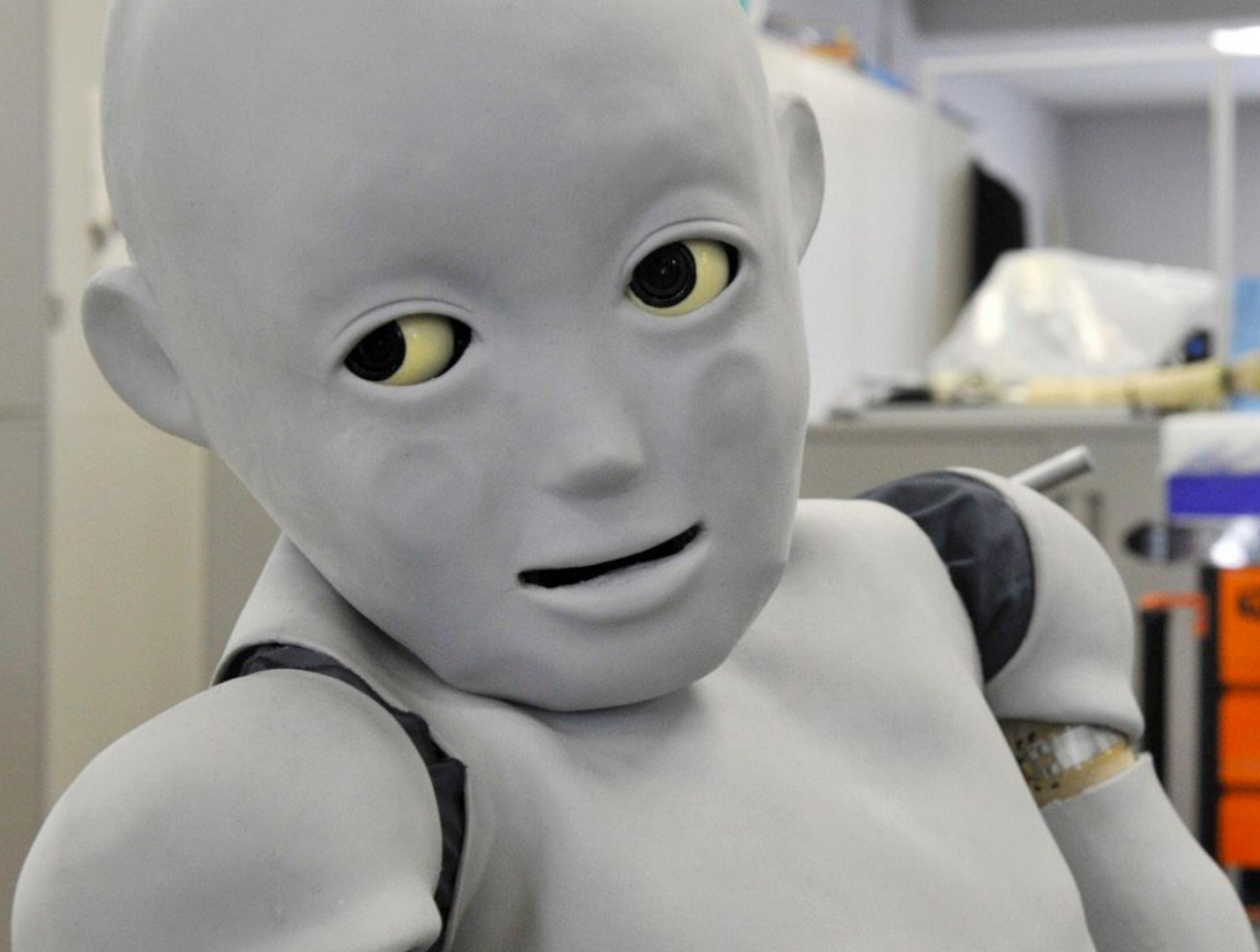




“Actually, one could communicate with these machines in any language provided it was an exact language; that is, in principle, one should be able to communicate in any **symbolic logic provided that the machines were given instruction tables which could enable it to interpret that logical system. This should mean that there will be much more practical scope for logical systems than there had been in the past” (Turing quoted in Hodges 2014: 450; emphasis added).**



Public unveiling of the ENIAC, 1948





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Sorry