# Foundations of Artificial Intelligence

## Lecturer: Kan Min-Yen Thursdays, 10:00 – 12:00 LT 19

### **Outline for today**

Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
Course administration
Intelligent Agents

### **Course administration**

Teaching staff

- Web sites
- Objective
- Syllabus
- Assessment overview

### Any questions?

# Teaching staff

Lecturer: Min-Yen Kan ("Min") kanmy@comp.nus. edu.sg Office: AS6 05-12 6516-1885 Hours: 16:00 – 18:00 Thursday, or by appointment Hobbies: rock climbing, ballroom dancing, and inline skating...



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## **Teaching Assistant**

NG Jun Ping

Office Hours and venue: TBA



## Course web sites

http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~cs3243

- OLecture, Tutorials, Notes, and Homework
- Other supplementary content

#### http://ivle.nus.edu.sg/

O Discussion forum

- Any questions related to the course should be raised on this forum
- Emails to me and Jun Ping considered public unless otherwise specified
- OAnnouncements

OHomework submissions

# Objective

- Understand the essential concepts of Artificial Intelligence. These basic concepts include search and knowledge representation, logic and game playing.
  - Students will also get a preview of at least one advanced area of AI in a self-selected, advanced lecture.

#### Who?

Undergraduates and beginning graduate students.
 Centered towards IS/CS or by permission.

# Readings

- Required textbook:
  - ORussell and Norvig (2003) Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed (or 2010, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed)
  - "Just terrific" Prof. Brewka
  - "... a major step forward ... For the unified veiw of the field that this book introduces. Even for the experts in the field, there are important insights in almost every chapter" – Prof. Dietterich
  - "Worth every penny! Recent advances covered in the advanced chapter" (me!)

## Discussion

Tutorial participation is very important. There are no "dumb" questions. You will only be penalized for not asking questions / not giving comments.

Possibilities:

- Name tags
- Cold calls
- Small group discussion and presentation

### Assessment overview

Homework #1	20%
Out: 26 Aug, Due: after mid-sem break, 30 Sep	
Midterm	20%
16 Sep	
Homework #2	20%
Out: 7 Oct, Due: 4 Nov	
Final Exam	40%
23 Nov	

### Freedom of information rule

 Collaboration is acceptable and encouraged

- To assure that all collaboration is on the level,
   you must always write the name(s) of your collaborators on your assignment.
- You will be assessed for the parts for which you claim is your own contribution.

### Facebook rule

- You are free to meet with fellow students(s) and discuss assignments with them.
- Writing on a board or shared piece of paper is acceptable during the meeting; however, you may not take any written (electronic or otherwise) record away from the meeting.
- After the meeting, do something else for at least a halfhour (troll Facebook for things to read and reply to), before working on the assignment.
  - This will assure that you are able to reconstruct what you learned from the meeting, by yourself, using your own brain.