

Artificial agents are entities with some kind of body and a set of sensors and actuators to perceive and modify the environment. The world is inherently analog and so have to be the signals received by the sensors and the actions of the actuators. We introduce the **Artificial Intelligence Research Institute (IIIA)** and some research lines that could be benefited from analog computation.



The **Artificial Intelligence Research Institute (IIIA)** was founded in 1985. The **IIIA** produces high quality research in Artificial Intelligence. Its main research lines are: Multiagent Systems, Learning Systems, and Logic, Reasoning and Search. The Technology Development Unit (UDT) aims at applying the **IIIA** research results into a variety of areas. The **IIIA** is located on the campus of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

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Logic & Reasoning

Fuzzy logic, approximate reasoning and soft computing

Constraint satisfaction

Automated deduction

Learning Systems

Case-Based Reasoning

Data Privacy

Integration of Problem Solving and Learning

Machine Learning for Music

Multiagent Systems

Electronic Institutions

Negotiation

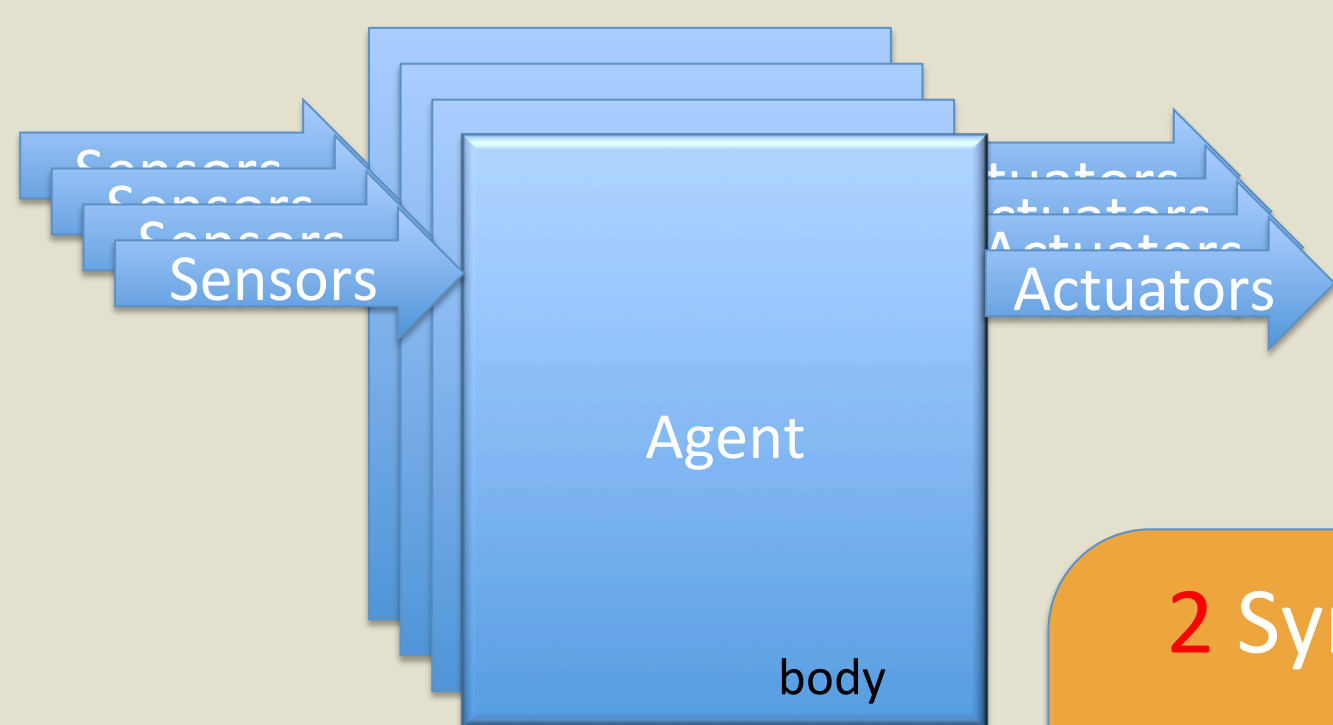
Personal Information Agents

Trust and Reputation

Expert Systems

Autonomous Robots

Analog Environment



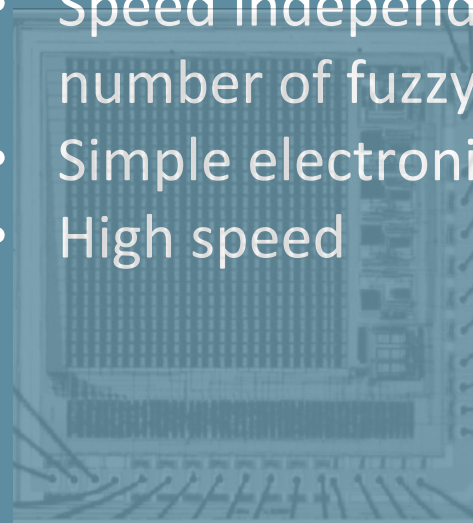
- Autonomous
- Situated
- Perception
- Acting
- Planning
- Reactive
- Deliberative
- Proactive

Analog in origin

Approximate Reasoning

Analog Fuzzy Logic

- Parallel inference engine
- Speed independent of the number of fuzzy rules
- Simple electronics
- High speed



Machine Learning

Analog Neural Networks

Deep Learning

Support Vector Machines

Markov Random Fields

Music

Real time performances

1 Hybrid Systems Anytime Computation

Analog computing can produce fast and maybe imprecise or incomplete solutions to drive necessary action in an autonomous system.

Digital computing can perform reflexive (knowledge-based) decision making and planning using traditional digital computation

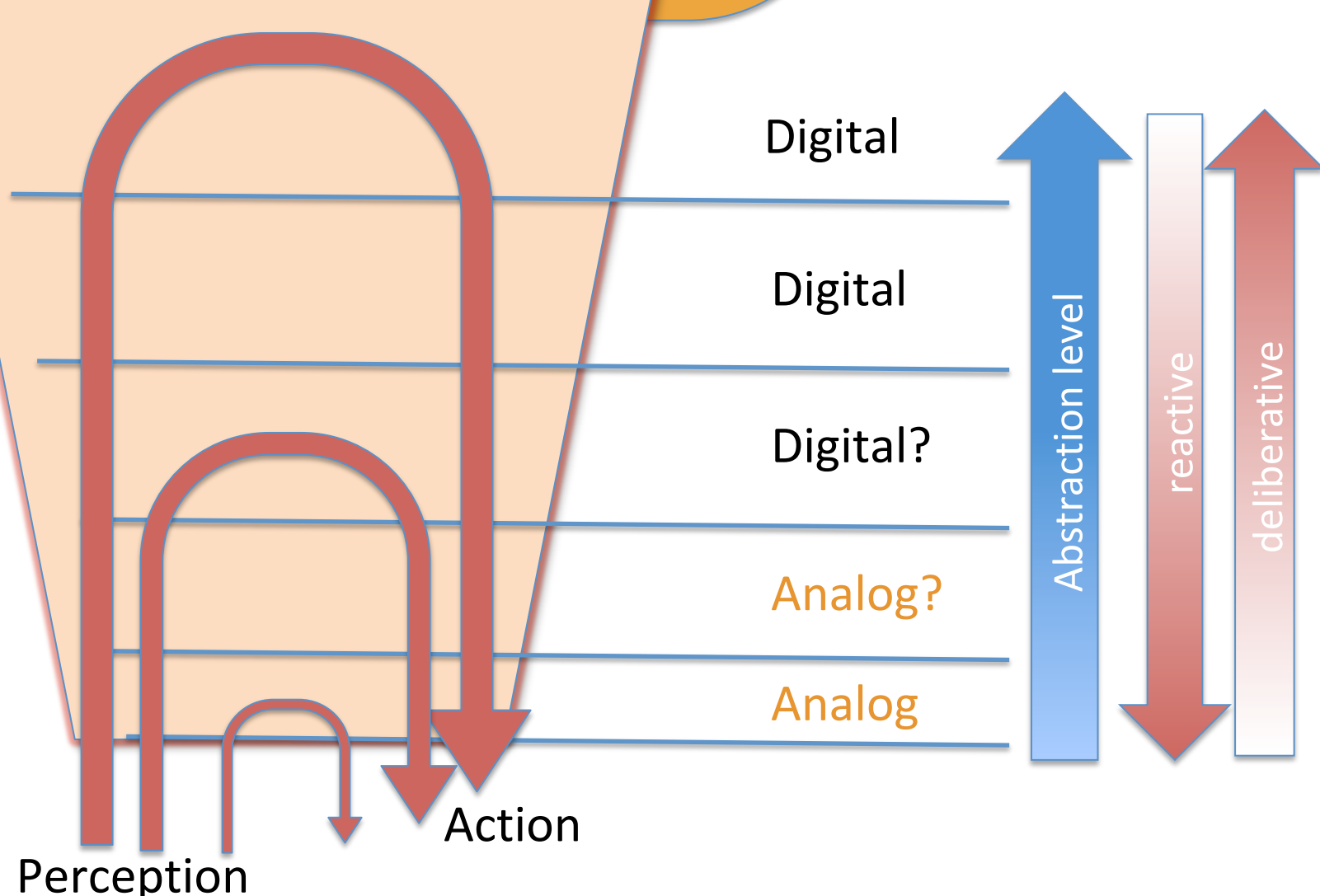
2 Symbol Grounding Problem Embodied Cognition

Can analog computing better connect symbols and reality?

Multiagent Simulation

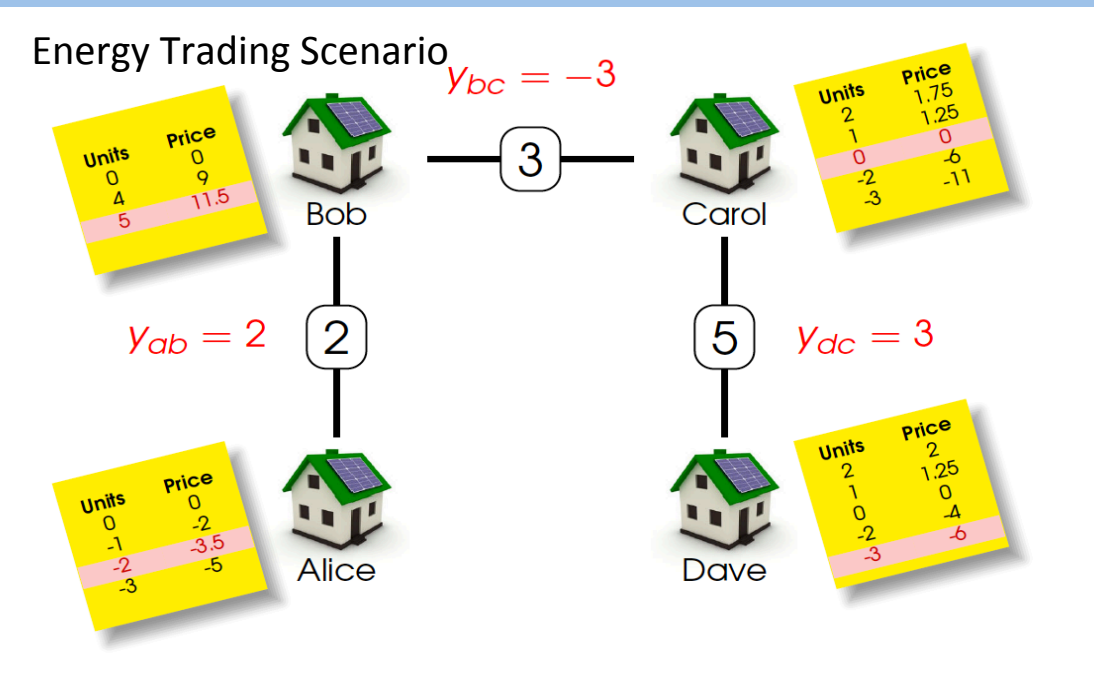
3 Analog/digital layered architecture?

Can we think of a layered architecture where analog layers are related with perception and action and the digital layers works at a more abstract level for embodied cognition?



Optimisation

Graphical models
Linear Programming



Digital in origin

Bayesian Networks

SAT

Constraint Satisfaction