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1. Introduction

A number of Artificial Intelligence (AI) systems have appeared in recent years whose approaches appear very fruitful for a wide variety of real-world tasks that are performed by knowledgeable (but not necessarily understanding) experts. In the interest of acquainting a wider audience to a representative sampling of these systems, and especially to the approaches they embody, the following selective reading list is proposed. These readings are not overly technical, and usually make their main points by way of examples of natural language dialog between a user and the expert AI system. Papers usually contain further references to related work and background material. The intended audience includes engineers (especially designers), social scientists, computer specialists without AI background, and other professionals.

In the following, I have grouped papers roughly into categories, some of which contain specific systems while others are broader overviews or even general introductions to the wider field of Al. In the interest of being representative, a number of systems of approximately equal significance to those given here have been omitted. The papers here do in fact refer to these others.

1.1. Expert Systems in General

[Feigenbaum 77]
[Waterman&Hayes-Roth 78]
[Michie 79]
[Nii 80]
[Newell 81]
[Winston 77]
[Simon 69]
[Nilsson 80]
[Boden 77]

[McCorduck 79]

[Erman&Lesser 78]

? Forthcoming: Al Handbook, by Barr and Feigenbaum

? Forthcoming: book on expert systems by Hayes-Roth et al (Aug. '80 workshop)

1.2. Electronics and Computers

[Brown&Burton 75] [Sussman 77] [Sussman&Steele 80] [de Kleer 79] [Borning 79] [McDermott.J 80] [Grinberg 80]

[Director&Parker&Siewiorek&Thomas 81]

1.3. Engineering Design in General

[Rieger&Grinberg 77]
[Freeman&Newell 71]
[Eastman 81]
[Bennett&Engelmore 79]
[Powers 72]
[Fenves&Norabhoompipat 78]

1.4. Other expert systems

[Davis&Buchanan&Shortliffe 77]
[Pople 81]
[Duda&Gaschnig&Hart 79]
[Nii&Aiello 79]
[Buchanan&Feigenbaum 78]
[Lindsay&Buchanan&Feigenbaum&Lederberg 80]
[Genesereth 79]
[Weiss&Kulikowski&Amarel&Safir 78]
[Waterman&Peterson 80]

1.5. Other Specific Al Techniques of Interest

[Clancey 79]
[Sacerdoti 75]
[Stefik 81]
[Lenat 75]
[Lesser&Erman 77]
[Davis 80]
[Hayes&Ball&Reddy 81]
[Teitelman&Masinter 81]

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[Buchanan&Feigenbaum 78]

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[Clancey 79]

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Turning expert systems into teaching / tutorial ones; also 6th IJCAI (1979), pp. 155-161

[Davis 80]

Davis, R.

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Artificial Intelligence 15:179-222, 1980.

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