

# Some Thoughts On Artificial Intelligence, Artificial Wisdom, And Artificial Points Of Contact With Nature (And Other Things)

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## Part One

Just some delightful fun, and serious! The fusion of the fun and the serious, delightful.

Some notes, from thought-traversal and reason just now:

Aha! ‘reason’ behind the axiom systems, mathematics, and the laws of physics. (The absolutes of physics just one unfolding... predictable (except at the quantum level???) (I’m not sure).)

Multi-verses within our universe.

That is, reason is a source, and physics, mathematics, and logic are but one expression of reason.

Then...

Artificial intelligence, artificial wisdom, artificial connection-with-nature (artificial points of contact with nature).\*

God as this Presence and Ability to work with the reason/wisdom layer behind the concrete (or laws of physics – the material).

Spinoza and his axiom/postulate system of God (in *Ethics*): 1) is God what is indicated in the axioms and postulate system; 2) is God what is indicated in the undefined terms, and the unfolding system; 3) is God the reason (and Absolute) behind the axiom/postulate system, that which is indicated in the axioms and postulates as just one expression (also Absolute).

Mind as not strictly deterministic. What about determinative?

\* Minsky of course was a proponent of AI. But is intelligence the only domain? And Minsky says that intelligence is the ability to solve hard problems. This may be useful. However, ultimately are we just machines set out to figure out the natural world? Is that the same as the physics world? What of contact points with nature? What of awareness? (Those pesky American Indians again, and Buddhists!) Is that the same as to penetrate just this world? Does that include to penetrate reality, and physics? Does any of this touch on wisdom, or is informed by it, and works with it? Are the

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chimpanzees : humans :: humans : AI? (As Minsky points out might be the case, although he suggests it is not inevitable.) Or would wisdom have handled the chimpanzee differently, as well as the natural world – and wisdom ways of treating each other, and realizing a real space?

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Buddhism cites prajna, ‘real wisdom’ or ‘intuitive reflection’. In Buddhism, prajna has also been described as wisdom, and the active component of wisdom together with the integrating factor of love. It has also been described as accurate perception.

Christianity cites wisdom, and (I think) Wisdom.

Enjoy. :-)

## **Part Two**

Why do we build a house? For someone to live in! Why do we have a carpenter build it? So it is built well! Why do we have an architect design it? So it is a functional, nice place to be – architecture and design! And this is integrated with the carpentry. Why do we have economics? So that we charge a nominal fee, yet sufficient. Why do we have study, training, and practice, diligence and effort? So these things can be done well.

Carpentry, architecture, economics, physics – these all require study, practice, attention, and awareness, to do well. So does Buddhist inquiry – which, while physics is (or should be) the study of the fusion of mathematics with the concrete (material), is the study and penetration of reality and just this world – and the function of just this world and the everyday. If we want to work with contact points with nature, we might look to the American Indian. If we want to work with the connection between we and God, we might consult a theistic religion. And so forth.