

NEURAL NETWORKS & AESTHETICS

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Assignment 2

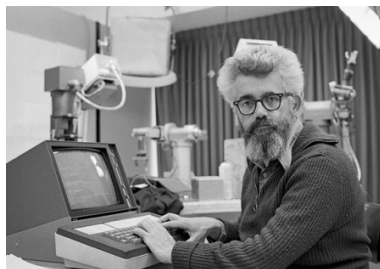
(FN, 21 July 2020)

It is getting late at the time when I describe another short assignment for you to do on our second day. One hour more is left on this historic day of the 20th July. You may know that it is the anniversary of the attempted assassination of Hitler in 1944. He survived easily, but many were killed in consequence. The Nazi regime showed its face openly, starting with the clique of Nazi judges.

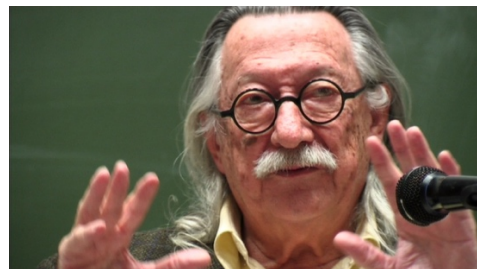
I have put the day under the general title "When Artificial Intelligence started." I take this as a reason for the following suggestion.

Find out a bit about the two US-American researchers, John McCarthy and Joseph Weizenbaum. You will, most likely, use the Internet for this task. Read a bit, gain from what you read some first superficial impression and questions. And write about this. In case you had heard the name before, tell me.

Please, send me your one-page (or a bit more) text as a pdf file during the day.



John McCarthy



Joseph Weizenbaum