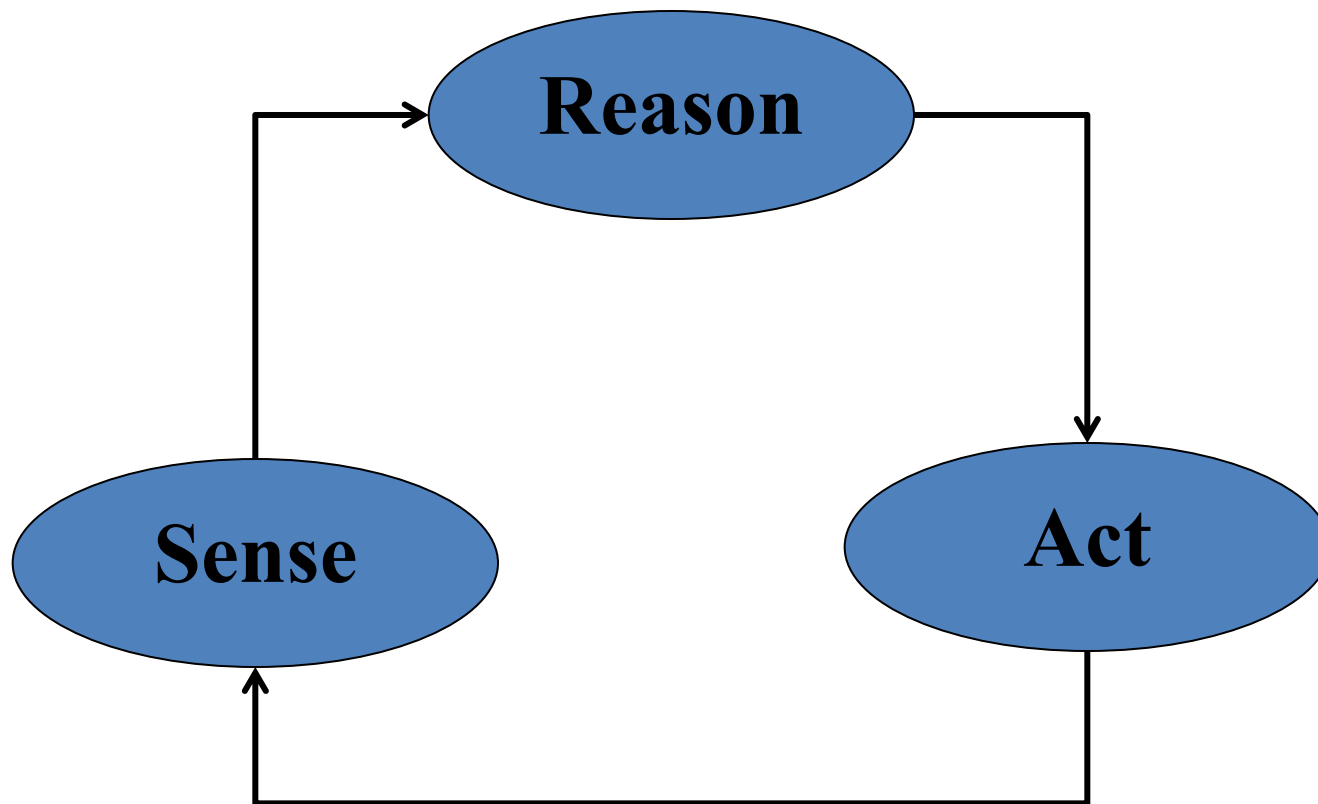




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A Quick history

Robot

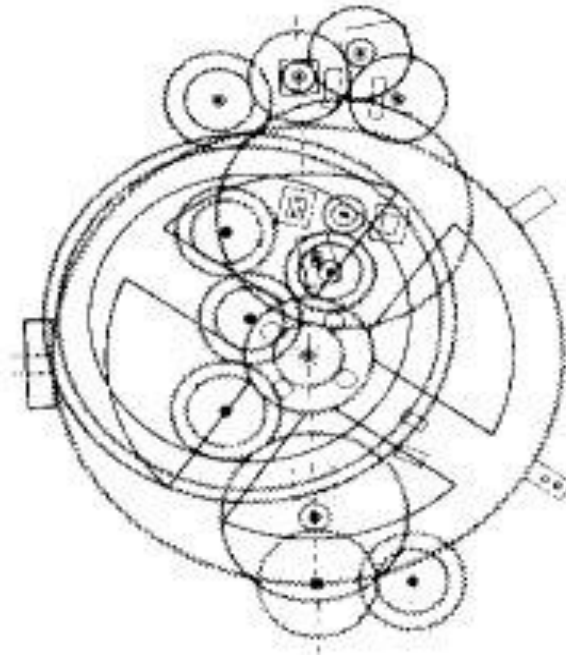


Talos (Τάλως/Τάλων) 400 BC

- A giant man of bronze who protected Europa in Crete, circling the island's shores three times daily while guarding it.
- Shore-length of Crete is 1.046 km.
- Average speed 130 Km/h



Automatons



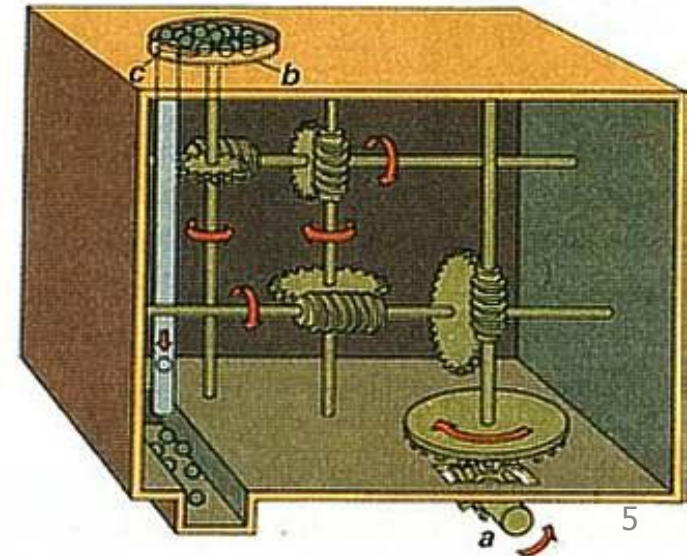
Antikythera, 150–100 BC



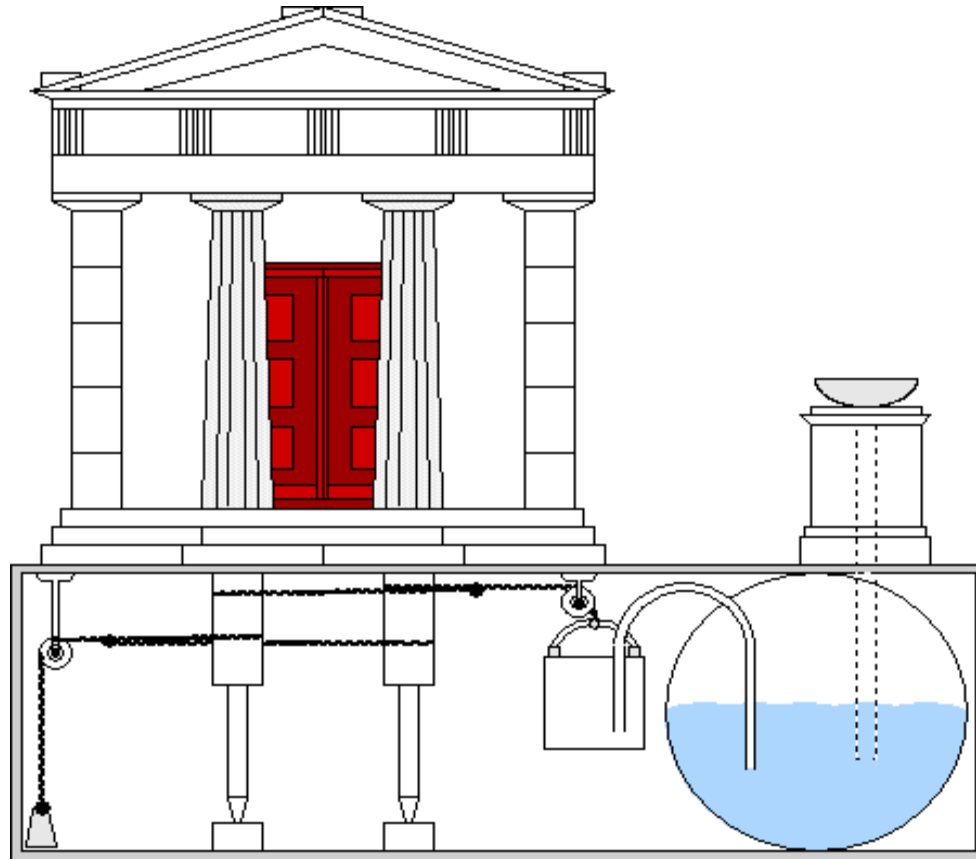
Heron of Alexandria (Ηρων ὁ Ἀλεξανδρεὺς)

10-70AD

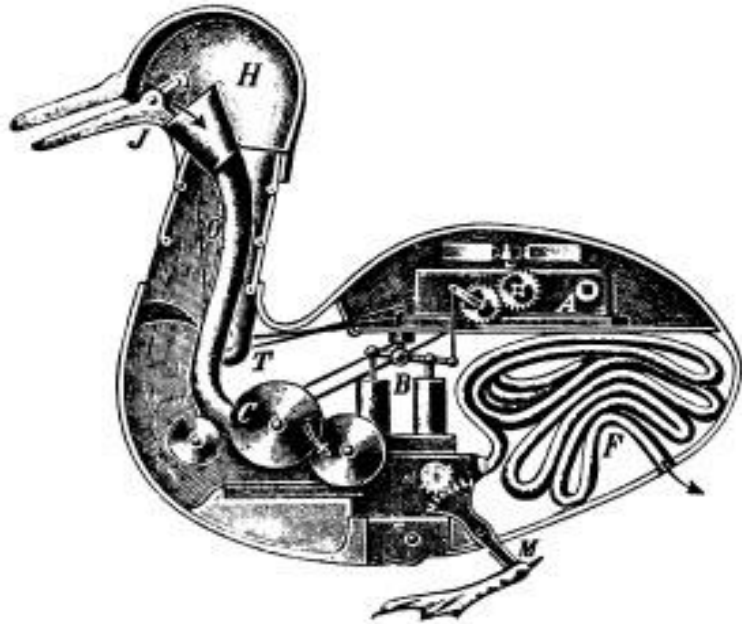
One of the first sensors:
Odometer.



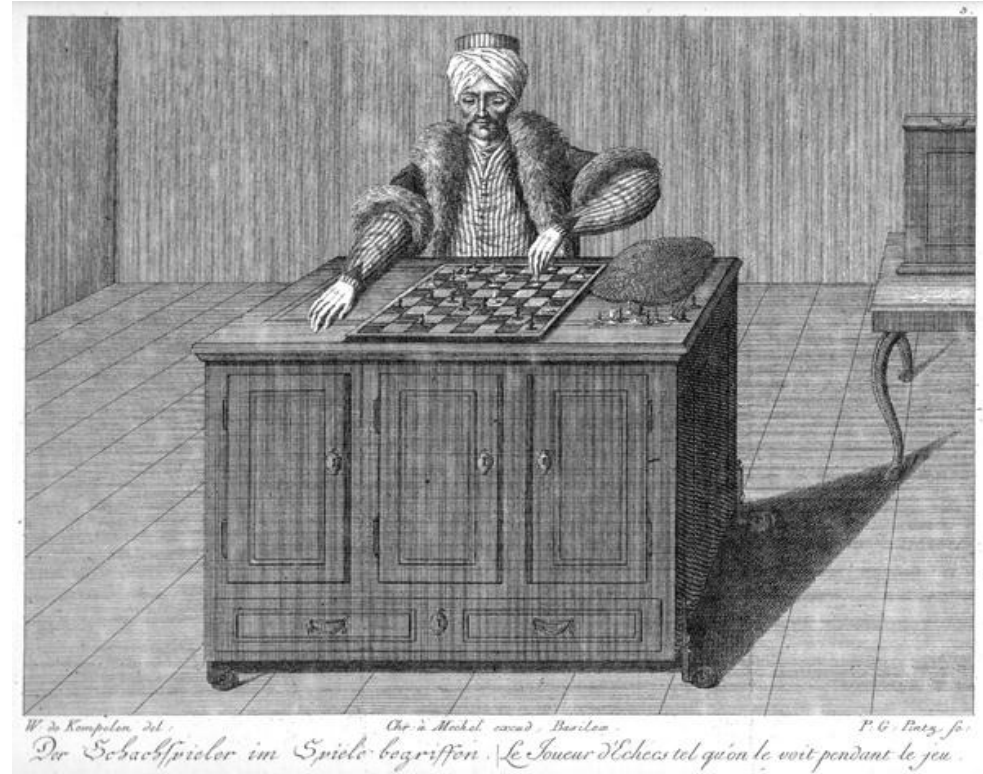
Heron of Alexandria



Automatons



“Canard Digérateur”,
1793



“The Turk”
1770

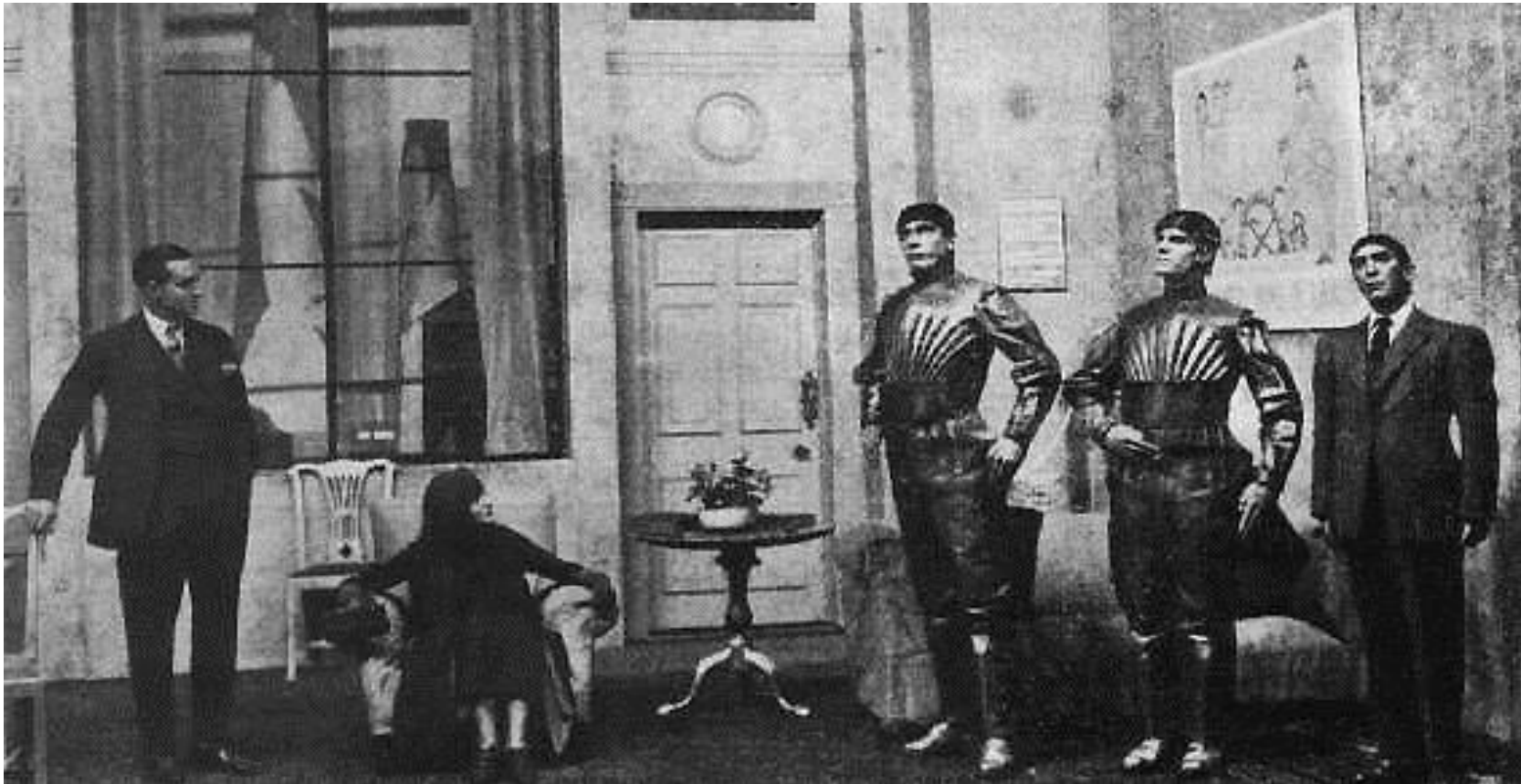
Tea serving automaton

19th Century, Japan



Word “Robot”

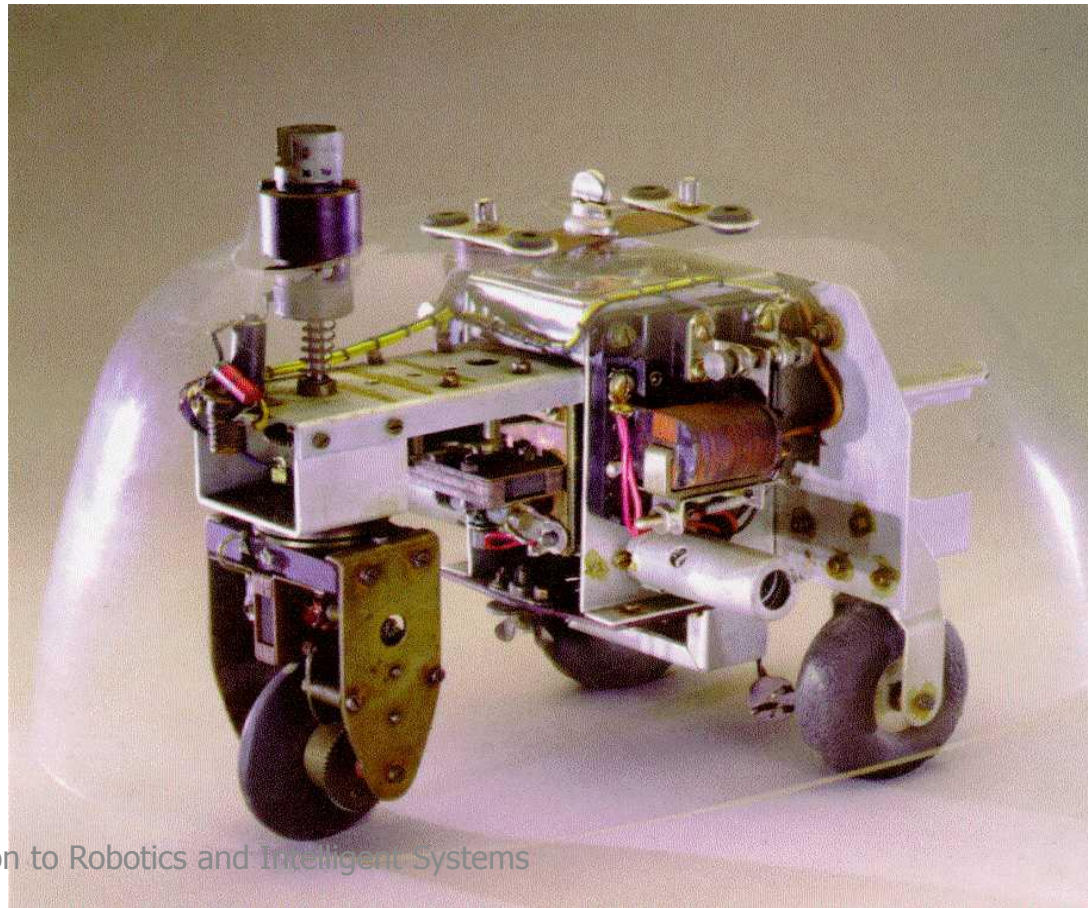
- “*Rossum's Universal Robots*” a novel by Karel Čapek, 1920.



Mobile Robots: 1950

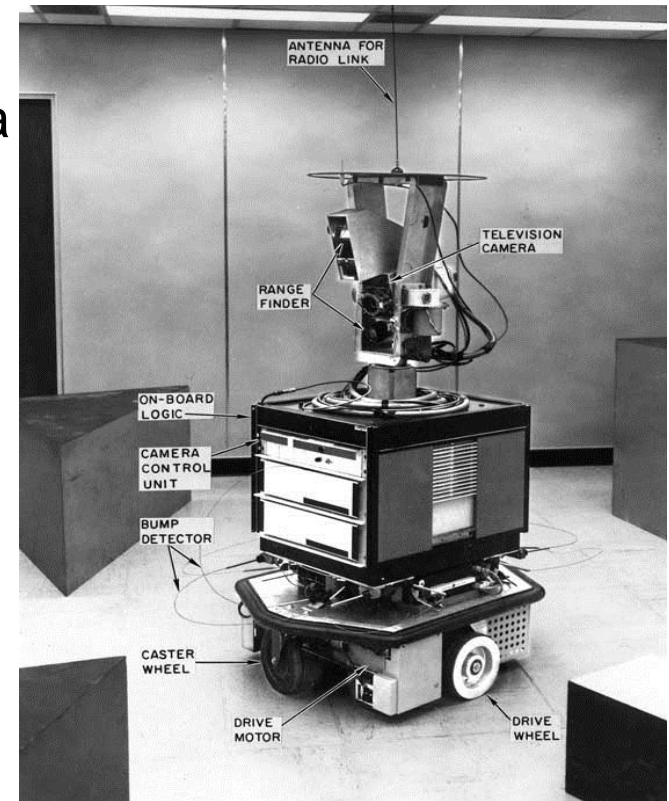
- Walter's *Tortoise*

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lLULRImXkKo>



Shakey (1966 -1972)

- **Shakey** (Stanford Research Institute/SRI)
 - the first "autonomous" mobile robot to be operated using AI techniques
- Simple tasks to solve:
 - To recognize an object using vision, given a very restricted world
 - Find its way to the object
 - Perform some action on the object (for example, to push it over)
 - Perform compound actions and basic planning.



Stanford Cart



- 1973-1979
 - Stanford Cart developed by Hans Moravec
 - Use of stereo vision.
 - Took pictures from several different angles
 - The computer gauged the distance between the cart and obstacles in its path to do basic collision avoidance
 - About **15 min** to think about each image, then drives 1 foot or so.

Industrial history: 1961

June 13, 1961

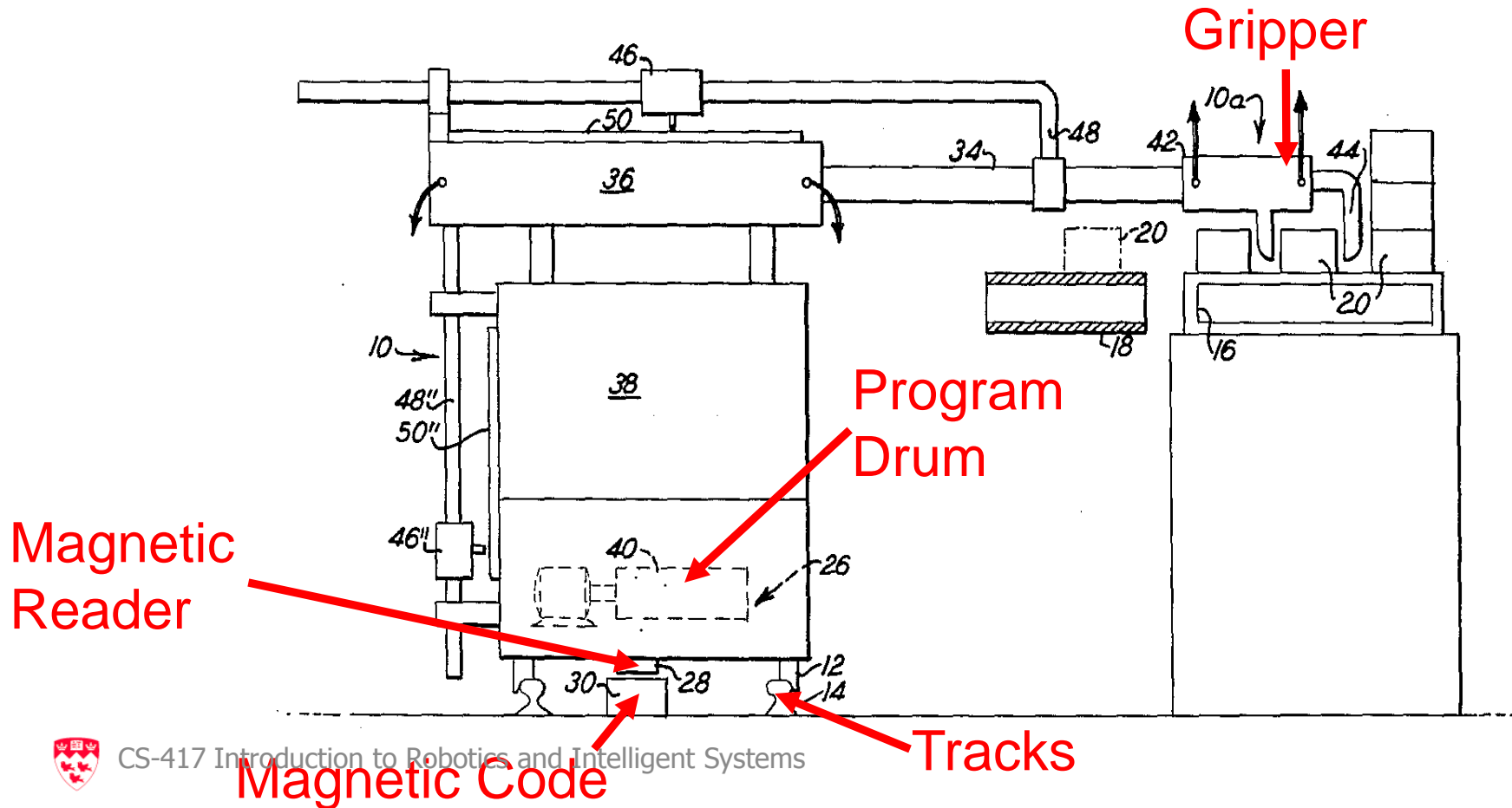
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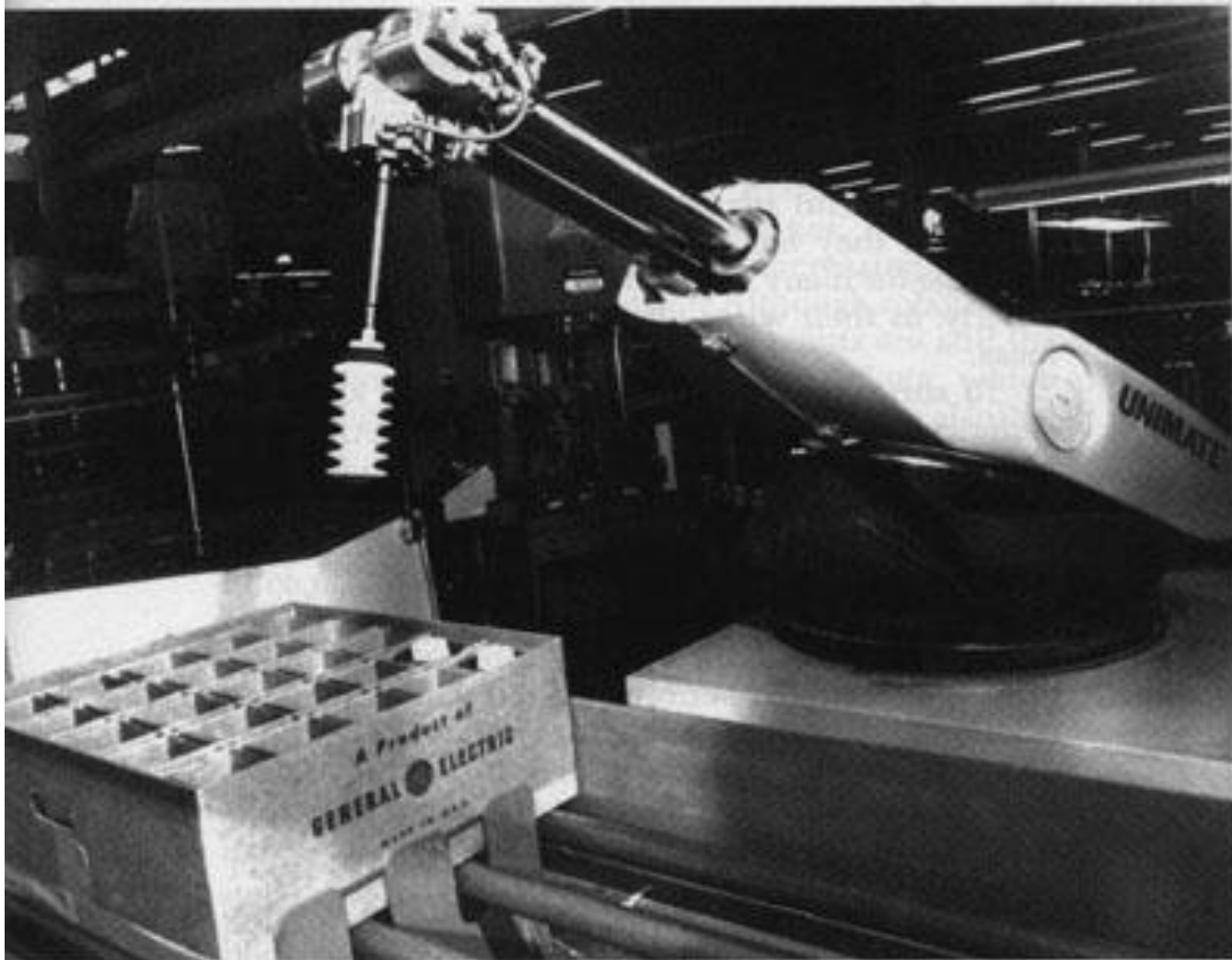
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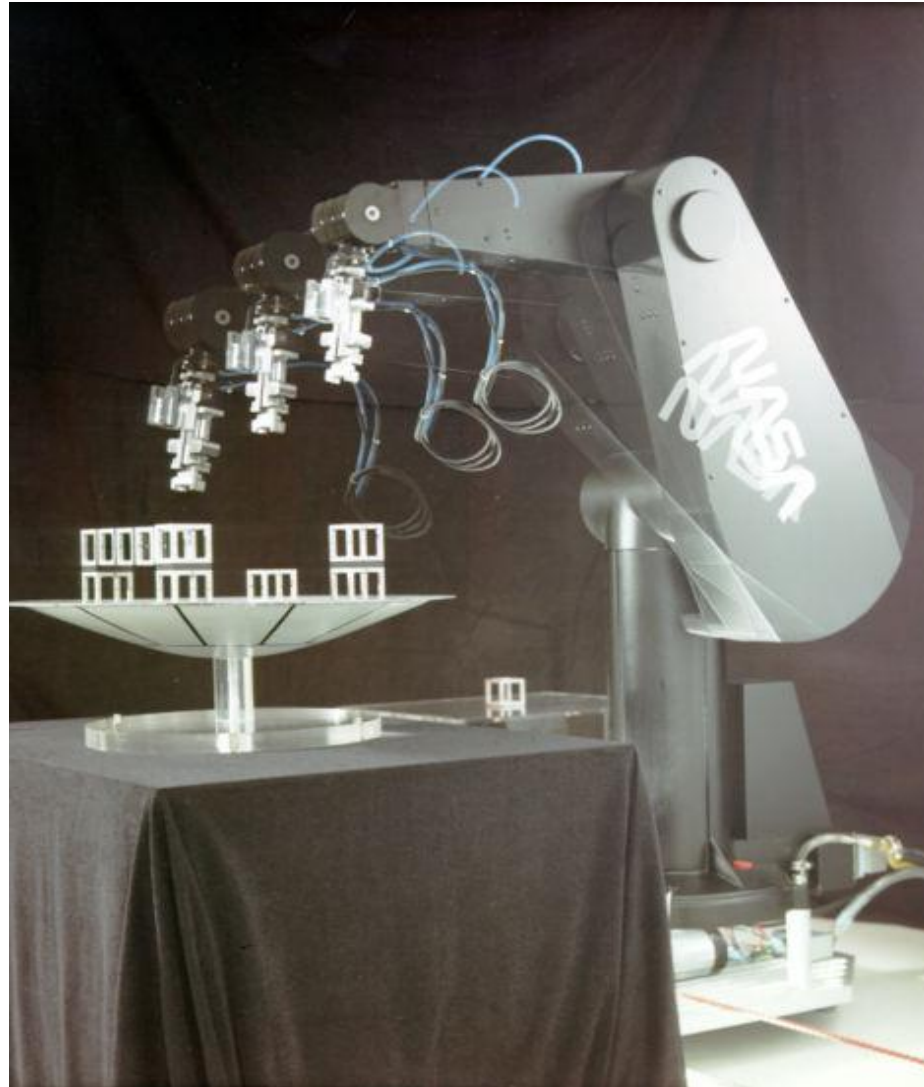
Industrial history: Unimate



Armed for duty. A Unimate robot—really, just an arm—picks up tiny parts in a General Electric factory.

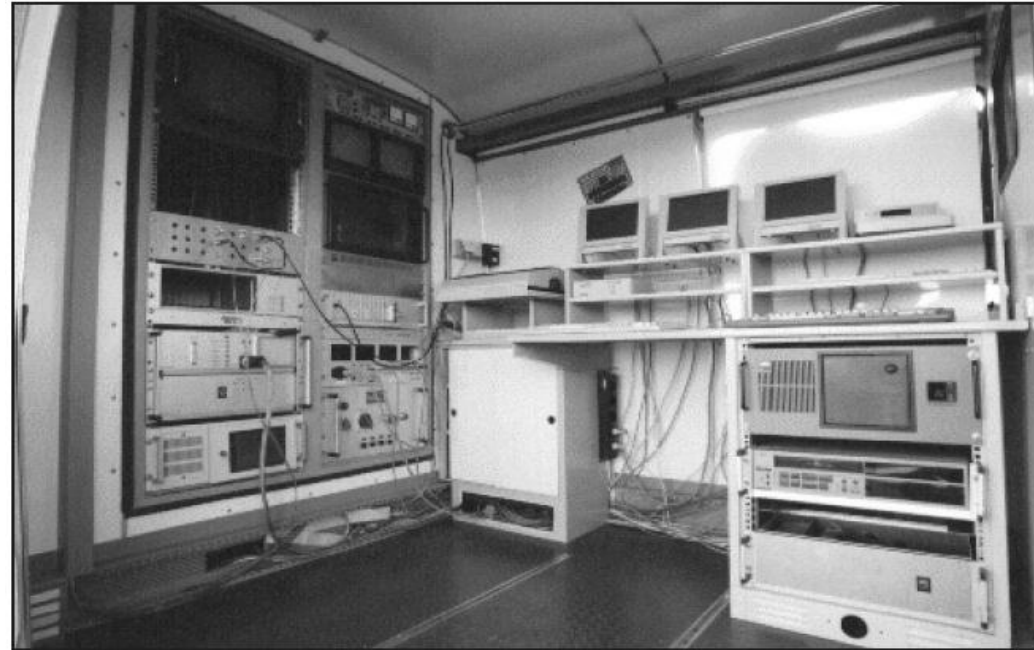


Industrial history: Puma 1978



Robot Vehicle (Late 80's)

- *VaMoRs*: Highway driving
- Tracking white lines with Kalman filtering (Dickmanns)

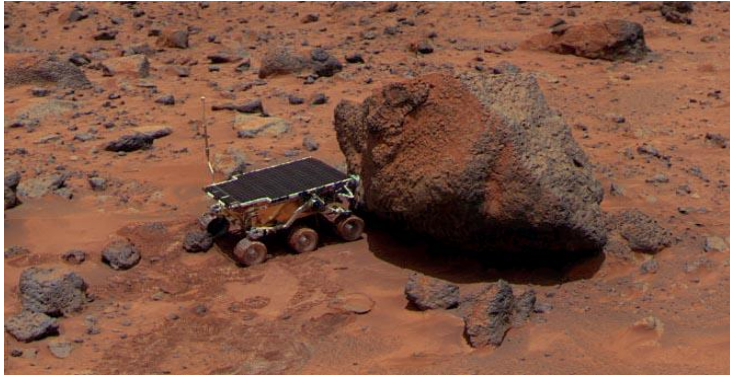


Mid 90's: CMU's Navlab 5

- Drove 2797/2849 miles (98.2%) on highways
- Throttle/Brake manually handled.

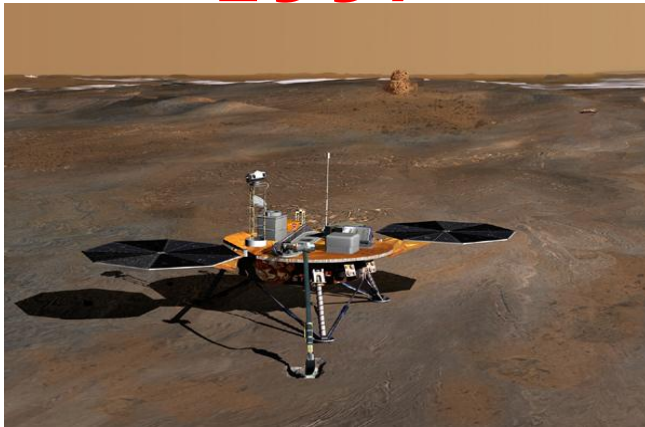
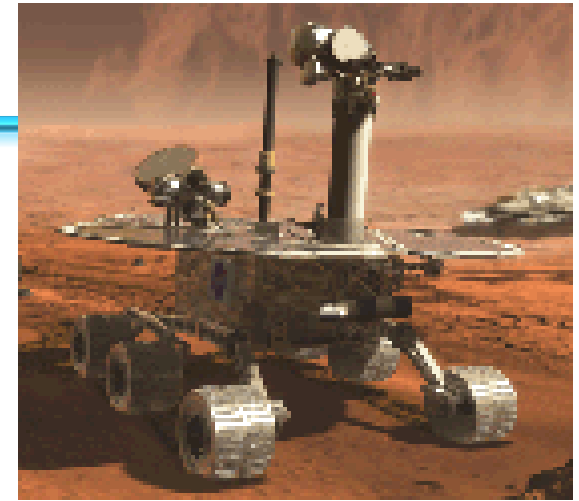


Exploring Mars



Sojourner
1997

Spirit and Opportunity 2003

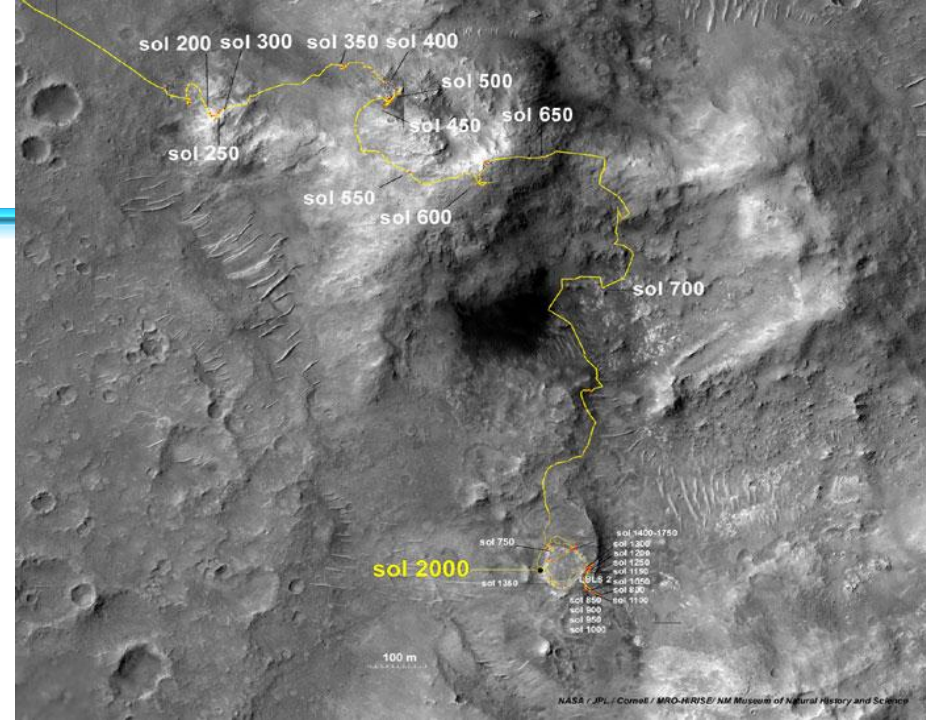


Phoenix-2008

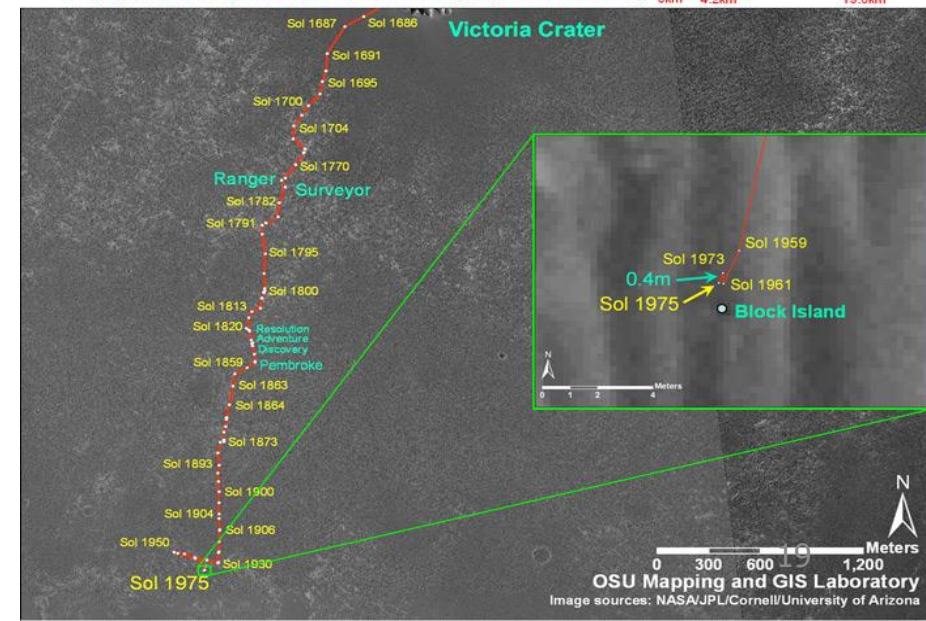


Mars Exploraton

- As of Sol 2010 (Mar. 22, 2010), Spirit's total odometry remains at 7,730.50 meters (4.80 miles).
- As of Sol 2702 (August 31, 2011), Opportunity's total odometry was 33,525.68 meters (20.83 miles).



Opportunity Traverse Map (Sol 1975)



DARPA Grand Challenge '04

- Autonomous driving on 240 km
 - Best team drove only 11.8 km!



DARPA Grand Challenge '05

- Autonomous driving on 240 km
 - 5 teams finish the race!



DARPA Urban Challenge '07

- Autonomous driving for 96 km in a city.

