

Turing Doesn't Need to Know

Is there a need to know Turing? Can machine thinks? To answer this questions let us know first the definition of Turing. Turing is a machine; simple abstract computational devices intended to help investigate the extent and limitations of what can be computed. Turing test is a proposal for a test of a machine's ability to demonstrate intelligence. It proceeds as follows: a human judge engages in a natural language conversation with one human and one machine, each of which tries to appear human.

That is really what happen to the case of of Indira and Hal. Indira was thinking if Hal is a human and same with Hal. But does it make difference whether Hal is human or not? For me it does not make any difference as long as Hal can intellectually answer all my questions about the software. And sometimes machines know more than a real human.

<http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/turing-machine/>