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**Subject:** Re:

At the moment I am writing an article to explain the likely relationship between conscious attention and credit assignment, i.e. to figure out which parts in our control architecture contributed to success or failure in a learning task and thus need to be adjusted. The basic idea is that consciousness is not the experience of the here and now, but only generated with hindsight, and its primary role is to keep track of what parts of our behavior contributed to the outcome, so we can specifically adjust those parts.

Other than that, I'm going to give a tutorial on motivation in AI systems at the AAAI conference, will go to the Ann Arbor AI workshop on architectures for human-like AI, teach a seminar on AI again (last week we had Danny Hillis as special guest), build an agent that navigates a virtual world with a couple of masters students, and make extensions to my cognitive architecture MicroPsi.

Btw, you mentioned a TV show/episode where I could/should talk about AI?

How are you doing? I imagine that the destruction of the US virgin islands is demanding your attention? I can only imagine what it must look like.

With kind regards,

Joscha

> On Oct 9, 2017, at 17:26, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

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> have not heard from you , what are you up to . new thoughts?

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