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Programming + Microprocessors  $\equiv$  Superpower!

What are your super powerful programs/processors doing?

Logic and Proofs!

Induction  $\equiv$  Recursion.

What can computers do?

Work with discrete objects.

**Discrete Math**  $\implies$  immense application.

Computers learn and interact with the world?

E.g. machine learning, data analysis, robotics, ...

**Probability!**

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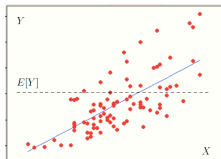
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..And to deal clearly with uncertainty itself.

# Probability Unit

- How can we predict unknown future events (e.g., gambling profit, next week rainfall, traffic congestion, ...)?
  - Constructive Models: Model the overall system (including the sources of uncertainty).
    - For modeling uncertainty, we'll develop probabilistic models and techniques for analyzing them.
  - Deductive Models: Extract the “trend” from the previous outcomes (e.g., linear regression).



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2. Propositional Forms.
3. Implication.
4. Truth Tables
5. Quantifiers
6. More De Morgan's Laws

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