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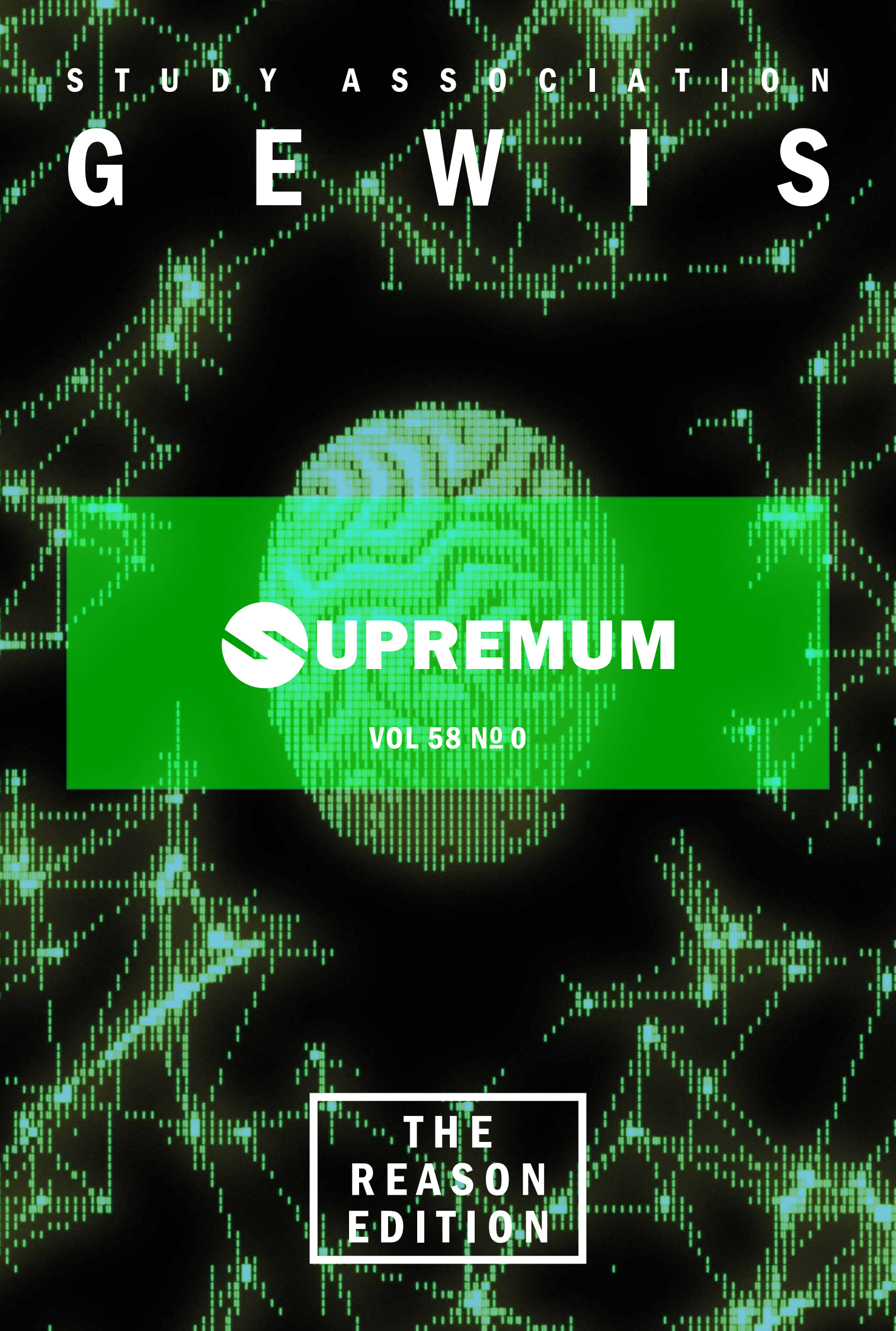

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EDITORIAL

Hi everyone , you're looking at the brand-new editor in chief of Supremum. That means that for the foreseeable future, you're stuck with me on page 2 :). Luckily that means you get to take a look at what goes on in my head, which I'm sure we can enjoy together. For this year's first edition, I would like to invite you into the writing world of Supremum.

EDITOR IN CHIEF Koen Deen

In the Supremum we encounter lots of different types of articles. Whether this is your favorite recipe, a journal about your intro week, or a love letter to beans, everything is welcome. I love this because it makes it so that I can write about anything that comes to mind Whenever our writing deadline comes up, I grab my laptop and just start writing. Most people write articles because they have a great idea for one, but my best ideas usually come up when I'm already writing.

This works great if you're a member of our writing team, but those are far from our only writers. For all of our other articles, the Supremum committee chooses an author. For these authors, the content of their article is often quite well laid out already; we approach them with an idea for an article, and it is up to them to fill in the content. The best articles of this format are the ones where the committee receives a text in a totally unexpected direction, where the author took their creative liberty and went to town with it.

Because of this, reading all the articles is always my favorite part of the Supremum editing process. I hope you, too, will enjoy discovering these articles as much as I do.

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Supremum opt-in list!

For the rest of this academic year, Supremum once again has an opt-in list. If you wish to receive the second and third editions of this academic year, you can sign up over at gew.is/supremum

CHAIR'S NOTE

WHY DO PEOPLE DO THINGS?

For as long as I can remember, I have been interested in why people do what they do and why sometimes people do not do tasks that they promised they would do. What is the reason that people act the way they do? I took a deep dive into some psychology papers to learn more about this and below are some theories around motivation that helped me get a different perspective.

TEXT Ciska de Greef

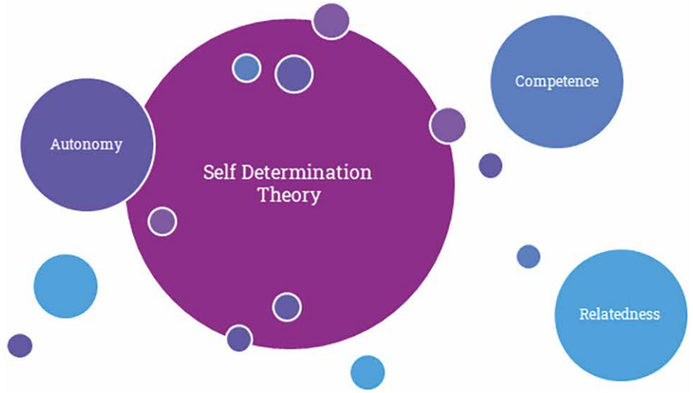
INCENTIVE MOTIVATION

The incentive theory of motivation was proposed by Clark Hull in 1943. It suggests that behaviour is influenced by the size of an incentive, where a bigger incentive creates more motivtation to do something. This is based on a natural drive to increase pleasure and decrease pain. With this theory, you can explain all sorts of behaviour, from drug addiction to the reason why you are again eating a frozen pizza for dinner. This theory reduces the complexness of our thinking, but it can be used as a nice tool to help motivate yourself. You can trick your brain into thinking there will be a reward, to motivate yourself to do things: this can be as simple as giving yourself a treat after completing a task or allowing yourself to do something fun after doing something boring.

INTRINSIC MOTIVATION

There is also a theory that motivation does not come from external factors but that we do things because we find them interesting or satisfying: we do things because they make us feel good. This form of motivation is much more sustainable than incentive motivation, as you do not have to keep rewarding yourself when doing something. This begs the question: how do you increase your intrinsic motivation?

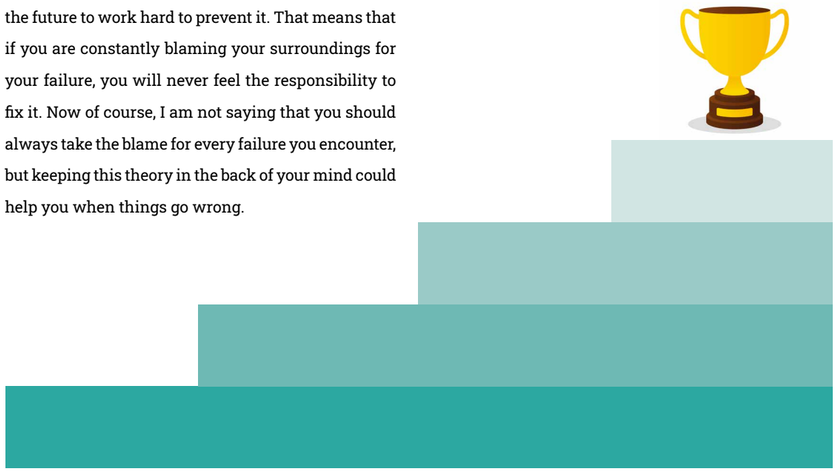
Using the Self-Determination Theory we learn that intrinsic motivation is based on basic psychological needs: autonomy, relatedness and competence. By creating an environment that include these, your intrinsic motivation will grow. In your day-to-day life, you can already take some steps to improve this. For example, to increase your relatedness, you can surround yourself with people with a similar goal. This will motivate you work more towards that goal, so you can feel closer to them.



ATTRIBUTION THEORY

Next to improving your intrinsic motivation, changing your mindset can also make a difference. This brings us to the attribution theory of motivation. This theory suggests that the reasons we give for the cause of an event have an effect on the motivation we have in the future. If you do bad on a test, you can blame this on yourself, because you did not study enough, but also on external factors like the test being too hard or the lectures being bad. These reasons have an effect on your future motivation. If you blame your failure on external factors, then you will feel less responsible in the future to work hard to prevent it. That means that if you are constantly blaming your surroundings for your failure, you will never feel the responsibility to fix it. Now of course, I am not saying that you should always take the blame for every failure you encounter, but keeping this theory in the back of your mind could help you when things go wrong.

These three theories have given me a different perspective on motivation and I hope they can help you too. This was a very short summary of these theories, which are a lot more complex than I explained here. So, if this piqued your interest, I recommend you look into them more to see how they can be applied to your life.



DEPARTMENT

REASON: THE ENGINE OF MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL THOUGHT

What an interesting time to be alive! You have probably all seen the movie scenes where high school bullies force gifted classmates to do their homework for them. That must have been so much work. Finding the right nerd, making sure they deliver in time, and, importantly, verifying that the level of the work is not too high. Luckily, for bullies and nerds these days of struggle are over! AI is here to help us all.

TEXT Robert van der Drift (Managing director)

So, when I was sitting behind my laptop, past the deadline for Supremum, I found a friend in Microsoft Copilot. In less than a second, it produced a 500-word text with the theme 'Reason' tuned to mathematics and computer science students. Voila!

"For students, cultivating reason means more than mastering techniques—it means developing a mindset. It involves questioning assumptions, seeking clarity, and embracing complexity. It means learning to think not just about what works, but why it works. This mindset is invaluable, not only in academic pursuits but in life, where reason helps us make informed decisions, solve problems, and communicate effectively.

In conclusion, reason is the lifeblood of mathematics and computer science. It empowers us to explore the unknown, build reliable systems, and uncover deep truths. As students, embracing reason is not just a path to academic success—it is a journey toward intellectual maturity."

It looked a bit too pedantic for me, but who's complaining? I asked Copilot to make a less pedantic version, and it did not even blink (or cry)! "Here's a revised version of the text with a more relaxed, student-friendly tone—less formal and less pedantic". I'll spare you the details, but I did start to wonder: what is the reason I am doing this? Would the readers of Supremum care who wrote the piece? Would they notice? The reason for asking me to write a piece is probably because someone may be interested in what I think about 'reason', not what Copilot synthesizes from the pages of the Internet. Or am I flattering myself?

However, I also started to realize how far humankind has come. In the days of the infamous movie bullies, mobile phones did not exist, Google's founders had not even been born. The typewriter was a helpful tool, followed by spelling checks in Word. And only a few decades later, with AI, we simply take the next step. So, why not harness this new tool? Soon it'll save us time by adding value in ways only humans could.

Not too long ago, we were spammed with Nigerian princes' fortunes, easily detectable. Now, Copilot can reason better than some people can. AI can write software code, prove mathematical theorems, and visualize data. Where does this all end, and what does it mean for us? I'll leave that for you to imagine.
But first: can you figure out who wrote this piece?

COLUMN

THE EMOTION BEHIND REASON

We often think of reason and emotion as opposites. On one side, there's logical thinking, the kind that powers mathematics and important decisions. On the other, there's also an intuitive feeling, messy and hard to define. But what if this distinction is too strict? What if the technology born from human reason could actually help us understand emotion better, instead of ignoring it? That's the idea driving a new project from our student team, HART. Our plan is to build a wearable device that gives real-time feedback on the emotional context of a conversation.

TEXT Veronika Liška

For people who find social cues challenging, like many on the autism spectrum, a simple chat can feel like trying to solve a complex code. Is that pause thoughtful or annoyed? Does that laugh sound genuine? Missing these cues can lead to misunderstanding and sometimes even anxiety. You can't just "logic" your way through it, because the rules are unspoken and always changing. Our project offers a different approach. We are using audio processing and machine learning as a kind of translator. Imagine a simple device, maybe a wristband, which listens to speech, analyzes it and signals the emotional subtext back to the wearer through vibrations or colored lights. A slow, red pulse could mean "caution, frustration detected", while a steady blue light might signal "all clear, tone is neutral".

This work fits perfectly with HART's bigger goal, which is to use non-invasive technology to expand how we experience the world. We've already worked on a haptic sleeve that lets you "feel" a smile or a frown on your forearm. It works by turning facial expressions into vibrational patterns on the skin. This opens up a whole new channel of perception, offering individuals who are blind to access the non-verbal communication that sighted people often take for granted. Our new conversation device applies the same principle, but for hearing. It uses engineering to make the intuitive a little more explicit.
It's a common fear, but the real point isn't to replace human connection with a machine. It's the opposite! It's to use technology to augment human connection. The device gives clear, reasoned feedback that helps someone learn the patterns of social cues. Over time, the vibrations or colors might become less of an instruction and more of a quiet confirmation, helping train the user's own perception until they hardly need the device at all.

In the end, our project asks us to think bigger about what "reason" means. It's not just for solving equations. It can also be a path toward building a more understanding world. By applying the precision of math, we can decode the subtle cues of human emotion. This makes them more accessible to those who find social interaction challenging.

HART

FROM MINIGOLF TO MICROSCOPIC MITES

WORKING ON REAL INNOVATIONS AT VRW TECHNOLOGY

At VRW Technology, students don't just tackle theoretical assignments. They work on real technological innovations. Two students, Veronica and Bartek , share their experience of working at VRW alongside their study and applying their academic knowledge in practice.

text VRW

SMARTER MINIGOLF – NO MORE SCORE DISPUTES

Minigolf. We've all played it—on holiday, at a party, or just for fun. But keeping score? That's where things often go wrong. Someone forgets to write down a hit, leading to disputes. But what if hits could be tracked automatically?

That's what Veronica developed at VRW Technology. Starting with just an idea, some basic hardware, and the freedom to figure out her own approach, she had to determine the best way to make it work. The project is a combination of hardware and software, which aligns perfectly with Veronica's studies in Embedded Systems.

"We built a system where sensors in the golf ball track hits, and a receiver collects the data," Veronica explains. "The biggest challenge was making sure it worked in practice. At school, I learned how things should work in theory, but here, I see it in action."

Developing the system required careful attention for details. The power consumption had to be optimized for battery life, and the ball needed to behave like a regular one. Most importantly, the system had to be highly accurate - 99.99% according to Veronica - to ensure every hit was counted correctly. During the project, Veronica realized that even the smallest details, like battery weight, could make or break a product. "That's something you only truly learn by doing."

DETECTING MITES WITH AI ON HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGES

Bartosz had a similar experience while working on a high-resolution imaging project. He wrote the software for a device that captures detailed images of small areas – 300+ photos stitched together to cover an 11 x 11cm surface - creating a single high-resolution image.

"This makes automated analysis possible, such as detecting and classifying mites in this project," Bartosz explains. "It's a powerful tool for inspecting large surfaces in extreme detail, useful for quality control of materials and natural samples." Looking back, Bartosz realizes he would approach the project differently now. "I jumped straight into programming," he admits, "but I've learned that it's better to start with thorough research first."

TECHNOLOGY THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

VRW Technology works on a wide range of projects, from industrial automation to innovative fun products. Both Veronica and Bartosz agree that what they really like about working at VRW Technology is that you're not stuck in one niche. "You get to work on a variety of projects, which helps you understand how things work in theory and see how they play out in reality." For students looking to apply their theoretical knowledge and explore the intersection of electronics, software, and product development, VRW Technology offers a great opportunity to gain hands-on experience in a dynamic environment.

For more information, see www.vrw-technology.nl

VRW TECHNOLOGY

MEMBER

TURNING SCROLLS INTO MONEY

OUR JOB WITH EUFLEX

It all started with a simple spark: opening GSMtok (@svgewis). At first, we opened this account just for fun and to connect GEWISsers. But little did we know that it would turn into something much bigger. Thanks to Maiko, who believed in us and connected the dots, our casual TikTok scrolling has now evolved into a real job (@euflextechnificient). And yes, we're actually getting paid to do what we love: watching TikToks, finding inspiration, and thinking about our next post.

TEXT Saelia Hernández van Polen & Sayra Hakim

It's funny when you think about it. Just a few months ago, we were laughing about how addictive TikTok is, sharing funny clips between us, and sometimes trying out weird trends. However, this was never with a purpose, just for entertainment reasons. Now, the same platform is part of our working day. Every swipe could become an idea that turns into reality, whether it's content creation or strategy. And the best part? It doesn't even feel like work.

But our mission goes beyond just enjoying TikTok ourselves. Our main goal is to make TikTok even bigger by giving it a new perspective such that TU/e students can see themselves reflected in our TikToks, since our focus is not only on promoting EuFlex but we are posting more campus related content. We want to show how fun, creativity, and authentic inspiration can come together to make students of TU/e see themselves reflected in the TikToks.

And it doesn't stop there. We've also started giving Gen-Z and ChatGPT talks to other companies. This was the most scary part and we thought we didn't have enough pre-knowledge to give these talks. However, this turned out to be the opposite! Who knows more about Gen-Z and AI than a student who uses AI in their daily life and can teach others how to use it properly?

Looking back, it's crazy to think that something as simple as starting GSMtok could lead to a journey like this. What started as a dream has evolved into our current work. Surrounded by amazing co-workers, learning with every step and enjoying the moment.

We invite you to follow us on TikTok to join us in this new path. Trust us, you don't want to miss what's next!

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

If you haven't already spotted me getting the most out of my membership fees at the GEWIS coffee machine, I would love to introduce myself. I'm Antoni, and this is an account of my completely reasonable adventure with GEWIS.

TEXT Antoni Kubak

The story begins roughly 300,000 years ago, when the modern iteration of Homo sapiens emerged, featuring blazingly fast, agentic and multi-modal reasoning capabilities. Since then, experts have widely agreed that, whether as a byproduct of natural selection or not, it is reason that has been the driving force behind modern civilization (and various such things). Hundreds of thousands of years of evolution, all culminating in me joining GEWIS the moment I set foot at TU/e – arguably the most reasonable decision of my life. Many a deity would be proud.

Turns out, there were still many such reasonable decisions in store. My first proper initiation into GEWIS began when I joined a first-year committee, namely FYC5-SOS ("Slightly Off Script"), proudly bearing the titles of DJ and Photographer. And it was only these titles that I could bear, as, true to our name, we went off script by hosting a grand total of zero activities. Nevertheless, I came out a wiser man, having learned the secrets of the LaTeX meeting agenda template thanks to Tessa – an important hint of foreshadowing.

The latter half of my first year in GEWIS passed by relatively uneventfully; however, I did attend the (very) occasional borrel, as well as activities hosted by certain other FYCs – ones more cohesive in organization and color scheme alike. Most importantly though, I had helped organize the annual Parent Days, as vice-chair of the ODC. My tasks mostly consisted of many variations of running around to bring paper cups, professors and parents to where they needed to be – but lots of fun nonetheless. At this point, I had come to call the Dakterras my proverbial third place. At least, as far as fulfilling its caffeine provision duties in between lectures, and of course, enabling my newly found favorite mode of procrastination: the obligatory mid-study foosball session with friends.

Come the second year of my studies, I hopped of the plane in EIN, with a dream and my cardigan MacBook. It shouldn't surprise you that I landed with my mind made up – I needed to join more committees. A more reasonable amount, as at this point I was a member of none. At a prior interest event, I had (of course) signed up for all the possible interest lists, and now I faced the momentous task of digging through all the emails and LettuceMeet invitations I had received. I kicked off Q1 as an official member of both the YBC and Supremum writing committee, and an unofficial member of GEFLITST, to which I had already contributed a few shots here and there.

Looking forward, I'm curious to see how my journey with GEWIS – and more importantly, my caffeine tolerance – will evolve; maybe not quite over the span of millennia, but of the next two years – something more reasonable.

MEMBER

COLUMN

LOGICAL REASONING APPLIED TO DAILY LIFE

The first course you are greeted with when you start your computer science bachelors on the TU/e is Logic and Set Theory, by Bas Luttik. This course makes up the foundation of the logical reasoning you need during the rest of your bachelors. But there are also non-academic places you can apply logical reasoning..

TEXT Lucas Muller

INDUCTION

Logic and Set Theory is already a long time ago for me, but I do vividly remember how confused I was when I had to write a proof by induction. It was unlike anything I had ever done before. But actually, inductive reasoning is something we all do on a daily basis.
For example, when you decide where to park your bike in the morning. If you're early, you might go for the bike racks next to Atlas. If you're late, you would sooner opt for Vertigo. You do this because you have learned from experience that the bike racks at Atlas are very full if you don't arrive first thing in the morning. While you cannot definitively prove that you will not find a place for your bike next to Atlas after ten in the morning, it is a pretty safe assumption.

Say you're reading an opinion piece about people from "above the rivers" always ruining carnival. The author starts with a base case; last year, someone from Amsterdam crossed the rivers southward and ended up misbehaving. They then present n more examples of people from the north being a nuisance. To complete the proof, the author claims that the next person (n+1) who ruins carnival, has to be someone who is not from the south; this is the inductive step. We know the base case holds, we know the hypothesis is true for the other n examples given by the author, so then it must also be true for n+1.

From what we know of induction, the reasoning seems to be valid. However, we probably all know someone from below the rivers who did not know how to behave during carnival. Suddenly we have another base case, and importantly, the hypothesis does not align with this base case. The whole proof falls apart.
This example is of course not that serious, but this principle of dissecting an argument is very valuable and will help you spot misinformation easier, which in turn will make you more resilient against all kinds of disinformation.

SATISFIABILITY

It has been many years since I took logic and set theory. Now, in my master, I have taken a course called automated reasoning, which covers the techniques that tools use to determine the satisfiability of a certain problem. In this section I will explain one of these techniques for a small Boolean formula.

Every time I try to plan a city trip with some friends, there are many opinions about how far away we want to go, whether it should be reachable by train, and many, many more. For this example, let's just consider three conditions, and assign them a letter to keep the formulas a bit shorter:

A: Reachable by train
B: Reachable within 4 hours
C: Outside of the Netherlands

From the cities we have looked at, we didn't find one that was reachable by train, within four hours, that is outside of the Netherlands. From this we can construct a clause $(A \wedge B) \Rightarrow \neg C$ [footnote: if the city is reachable by train, and reachable within four hours, then it cannot be outside of the Netherlands].

Now we construct clauses for the preferences of the people who are going on the city trip. The first person wants something that is either reachable by train, or reachable within four hours $(A \vee B)$. The second person wants to go to a city that is outside the Netherlands, or reachable within four hours $(C \vee B)$. The next person wants to remain in the Netherlands, or have the destination be reachable by train $(\neg C \vee A)$. Lastly, someone has the only condition that the city is in the Netherlands $(\neg C)$.

In order to make everybody happy, we get the conjunction of the above clauses:

$$(A \vee B) \wedge (C \vee B) \wedge (\neg C \vee A) \wedge (\neg C)$$

This formula is in Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF), which is a conjunction of disjunctive clauses. Each clause consists of what are called literals. For our final formula, we must also add the first clause, but this is still an implication. Luckily, we can easily turn it into a disjunctive clause:

$$(\neg(A \wedge B) \vee \neg C) = (\neg A \vee \neg B \vee \neg C)$$

Our final formula is now completely in CNF:

$$(\neg A \vee \neg B \vee \neg C) \wedge (A \vee B) \wedge (C \vee B) \wedge (\neg C \vee A) \wedge (\neg C)$$

Now we are finally in a position to check if this formula is satisfiable, and thus that we can make everybody happy. We start by searching for a unit clause, which is a clause consisting of a single literal. Here that is $(\neg C)$. Clearly, for the entire formula to be true, each clause must be true, and thus C must be false. If we set C to false, then the first and fourth clause are also immediately satisfied, since ¬C is present in these clauses.

Additionally, the negation of our unit clause appears in the third clause. With this information, we can create a formula with only the things we still need to check:

$$(A \vee B) \wedge (B)$$

A new unit clause has appeared! We now know we have to set B to true, which makes the entire formula true, no matter the assignment for A. Thus, since at least one satisfying assignment exists, the formula is satisfiable.

In order to make everybody happy, we have to stay within the Netherlands, make sure that the city is reachable within four hours, but whether it is reachable by train or not does not matter.

All of you who have ever tried to plan a city trip, probably know that you cannot make everybody happy. An unsatisfiable formula could be made satisfiable by either removing conflicting literals, or by removing a troublesome clause. Whether you choose to tell people to lower their standards, or simply exclude the person with too many opinions, I leave up to you. At least you can give them a good reason.

BEAN THERE, DONE THAT: THE CASE FOR LEGUMES

It's time to spill the beans: why plain pulses are the unsung superfood of a student's storage cupboard.

TEXT Sophie Gottschalk

Recently, I was at GEWIS musing out loud which of my many saved Instagram recipe reels to make for dinner: the roasted squash-sage bean-otto, my classic broccoli cannellini bean couscous, the lemon-dill chickpea soup that saved my summer, or the chili sin-carne that incorporates not one, not two, but three different types of pulses (black beans, tempeh, and lentils). The person next to be at the bar commented idly,

> "huh, you really like beans, don't you?"

The answer is yes. I do really like beans. In all honesty, the foodie I am at heart finds the lack of enthusiasm amongst students for them... disturbing. Especially in a day and age where animal-based keto influencers are telling people to subsist on a diet of ground beef and unpasteurized milk, and the "high-protein" hype is being used to deter people from plant-based foods, it's time to evaluate the case: to bean or not to bean?

THE PROTEIN PARADOX (AND WHY BEANS WIN IT ANYWAYS)

Beans are seriously protein-packed. One small drained can of kidney beans from Albert Heijn – 130g – packs almost 11g of protein, roughly the same as two eggs. More generally, cooked soybeans (the overachievers of the legume family) clock in at 28g per cup -180g – putting them neck-and-neck with chicken breast. As any computer science or math students should know, this is a serious statistical significance.

Now, here's where someone usually interjects with some comment about plant-based protein being less valuable. There's some truth to that: beans do have varied amino acid profiles, but this is easily balanced by combining them with grains. Rice and beans together create what your friends in biochemistry call a complete protein: all nine essential amino acids. Humanity figured this out millennia before the first fitness bro made his YouTube channel – there's a reason why nearly every major civilization paired legumes and starches. Whether India's dal and rice, Mesoamerica's maize and beans, or the Mediterranean hummus and pita, it's not a coincidence: this, my friends, is a proof by induction that reason (and hunger) converge on the same solution across cultures.

Whilst we're thinking logically, beans are also efficient. One kilogram of bean protein requires 18 times less land and 10 times less water than producing the same amount of beef. If efficiency is elegance in computer science, beans are the O(1) of proteins.

FIBER: THE UNSUNG HERO OF HUMAN HEALTH

Here's a fun fact: most people aren't protein deficient – they're fiber deficient. And beans, mercifully, are the Fibonacci of fiber: ever-growing and infinitely beneficial. On average, a cup of beans provides around 15g of fiber, almost half the daily recommended intake. Fiber feeds your gut microbiome – the friendly bacterial network maintaining your internal operating system. A happy microbiome means better digestion, more stable energy, and less brain fog during exam weeks. Beans also contain resistant starches, slow-digesting carbs that stabilize blood sugar and increase satiety. They are the low-latency data cache of your metabolism: reliable, efficiently, and quietly doing the work.

CHEAP AS CHIPS (BUT HEALTHIER)

Let's face it – we're students, and we're broke. Canned beans cost less than a euro and are ready to eat; dried beans are even cheaper if you're willing run a slow-cooker loop overnight. You can batch-cook them once and freeze portions, making them ideal for meal-prep. Healthy eating doesn't require a trust fund – just a can opener.

FOOLPROOF AND SAFE TO COOK

Unlike chicken, you cannot accidentally poison yourself with beans by not washing your chopping board. Pre-cooked varieties just need a rinse, and dried beans only ask for a soak and simmer – in the case of lentils, you can cook them dry to done in 10 minutes They're as close to bug-free cooking as it gets – though unlike your latest coding submission, you can (and should) debug them with some salt, oil and seasonings. Dutch people, don't let the concept of spices scare you! Whether in soups, stews, curries or salads, beans integrate seamlessly into almost any culinary environment.

SUPER VERSATILE

From soybeans that morph into tofu and tempeh (fermentation – a microbial miracle to keep your gut even happier) to chickpeas that become hummus, falafel, or crispy roasted snacks, beans are the polymorphic data type of the food world. Mashed, fried, fermented, pureed. There's a bean for every purpose: lentils for speed, chickpeas for texture, soy for protein power. Whatever your nutritional algorithm may be... beans? They compile.

So, you might have finished reading this bean propaganda piece, and might ask yourself how to eat more beans? Here's some things to be aware of:

» Increase fiber gradually. Especially if you don't eat a lot of vegetables, your gut needs a warm-up period. Start with small amounts and then increase in a system boot sequence.

» Rinse canned beans before using. This reduces sodium and helps avoid unexpected runtime errors.

» Use your resources. Recipe apps or even just social media are great sources for beginner-friendly recipes that incorporate pulses and legumes.

» Or just ask me at GEWIS. I have too many recipes saved to not share.

COLUMN

YO SIBLING

I am very excited to have been asked to write an article for Supremum about Inge. It is well known that Inge is currently the external affairs officer of GEWIS, but more importantly she is my younger twin sister, by 12 minutes — and yes, that is a big deal :)

TEXT Anne Schermer (Inge's sister)

If you asked me to describe Inge, I would tell you she is smart, determined, and most of all trustworthy. You can trust Inge with almost anything, and she will harbor your secrets like they are her own.

Inge is also very strong minded; once she has set her mind on something, it is very difficult to convince her otherwise. Allow me to illustrate with an example. Imagine you are on vacation with your sibling and you share a bed, obviously you have a preference for the top/bottom/left/right side of the bed. Unfortunately, that preference exactly aligns with the preference of your sibling. The result: an argument over who gets to sleep where. You might think that at some point, especially when it's late, your sibling will give in, but not Inge. She will keep you awake until she gets her way. Every. Single. Time.

Luckily for me, I was still able to beat Inge in many other competitions. Competitiveness is deeply embedded in both of us, whether it be about grades, sports, or winning a verbal argument. Sometimes it drove me a bit crazy, but we never (well... almost never) let it drive us apart.

Many of you will have noticed that we look very much alike, although we will always deny this when you mention it to us. However, there used to be exceptions to this. When we were younger, we loved to take part in talent shows on the campground during the summer holidays. There we dressed in the same dress, and had our hair done in the same way. Most of the time we were fully focused on performing, but when you get

distracted by lollipops it is difficult to remain focused, as can be seen in the picture. Currently Inge is always very busy, so getting her attention is not always easy, but maybe we can all take some inspiration from this event of the past.

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Inge and Anne disctracted by a lollipop

Although Inge has a strong "ruggengraat", Inge has one weak point, a button I can push, something that can completely disarm her. (Yes, Inge you know exactly what I am talking about)! So, to the reader: if you are curious, drop by GEWIS and perhaps you can get her to reveal it. I must warn you though that, even with bribery, I can proudly say that convincing Inge takes a good bit of logic.

INFIMA

Infimum: A strange or funny quotation from a teacher, a student or faculty member. Here you can find infima sent to the Supremum committee via inf.gewis.nl.

Victor: "Als ik een zakje was, was ik een roze zakje."
Koen: "Fijn voor je."
Lotte: "Dit gesprek is zooo nep."

Victor: "De Paus: 'Als dit in het Supremum komt, trekt Lotte een bak.'"

Victor: "Yappa yappa yappa"

Arend R.: "PLN, dat zijn Poolse punten, toch?"

Lucas M.: "Lizzi, in your words, what happened?"
Lizzi P.: "Alcohol."

Arend: "Hier staat gewoon voor 45 punten (Poolse Zloty) aan stront"

Sandor: Al sinds 1995 gaat deze punt van oberzwanekkraam naar oberzwanekkraam "

Arend: "Zullen we een spelletje doen? Waar is Sandor en waar is Sandors bier"
Lotte: "Hij is toch niet met zijn bier naar de WC... SANDOR!!!!!!"

Lucas v. H.: "Als dit zo doorgaat ga ik morgen nog naar de kerk"

Sandor: "Tessa wij hebben echt hele goede bottoms."

Rink P.: "Is de hele BAC weggestuurd of zo?"
Robin van D.: "Ja we zijn geschorst."

Kim van A.: "Wij zijn geen studentenvereniging. Wij brandmerken geen studenten."
Leon V.: "Ik vind het een I.V.V-activiteit om mensen te brandmerken."

Tom U. :"Ik kan nieteens in de min, er is geen monster meer om te kopen."

Arend: " So basically 50/50 is a lie"

Ciska d. G. walks into a metal panel
Bartjan H.: "How did you not see the giant metal panel?!"
Ciska d. G.: "I was looking at cheese!"

Luuk B.: "We hebben vier geïnteresseerden en Pim"
Robin v. D.: "en Pim?"
Luuk B.: "Ik heb hem bijna met het mes op de keel zijn naam laten opschrijven."
Victor K.: "Dat is wat we zoeken in de nieuwe voorzitter!"

Roy K.: "Waaron wil je MIJ op een sjaarzenfeest hebben?"

Rink P.: "Hoe komt die schijf dan zo vol?"
Noel v.d. V.: "Nou, gewoon, ik heb de schijf in de schijf gekopieerd."

Lucas M.:"As an association we have other needs than being epic and based."

Darja: "These fucking golf balls will haunt me in my deepest nightmares I swear."

Celine: "Okay google, play summer dance hits 2025 on Spotify."
Google: "Okay, playing summer dance hits 2024."

Hannah, during the KCC25 meeting: "We should discuss if minorities will have a place at GEWIS."

Lotte L.: "Is dit iemand van de honours comissie? Waarom is ie niet lelijk?"

Leon V.: "Mag ik uit bed? Ik moet borrelplank halen."

Elwin: "iets dat je in je mond hebt..."
Lies: "Piemel!!"

Bartjan H: "Weet je hoe hard ik gecock blokt ben door de BHV"

Lora: "If Alexandra dies, Défi throws a party; 'buiten de casket'"

Elwin H.: "Oh, you're bisexual? Proost!"

Tessa V., a mathematics student: "We are all Computer Science students"

Tom U.: "De mijne heeft een beetje erectieproblemen."
Rink P.: "Nu moet ik een infimum insturen, maar ik mag mijn hand niet naar beneden doen."

Lucas M.: "You get 5 minutes."
Stijn S.: "Robin does not need 5 minutes."

Jelte d. K.: "Ik heb echt last van mijn hoofdhuid."
Tessa V.: "Hoofdhuid? Wat is dat?"
Jelte d. K.: "Ja, die huid op je hoofd."

Tessa V.:"Oh het is HBO, nevermind."

Martijn v. D.: "Ik ben de encyclopedie van drankspellen."

Pim v.L.: "Ik ben iets te veel bestuursveteraan om nog passie te hebben voor brassen."

Job: "Noël, you help can me?"
Noël: "Ik ga eerst even een bak vouwen."

Lucy d. G. :"Wist je dat de dommel echt stinkt als het in je tasje zit."

Robin v. D.:"Ik denk dat ik vanavond bij la cubanita noten ga eten."

Noël: "De 4-daagse is 4 dagen toch?"

Olivier D.:"Wat weet jij van GroenLinks?"
Stan T.:"Uhhh... de leider is Pieter Valley toch? Of nee... Pieter Omtzigt?"

Inge S.: "Ik voel me nog steeds gescamd door de rietbak."

Robin van D.: "Ik kan echt niet wachten om hier elke dag om half 8 te zijn en te schreeuwen: bestuur er is geen koffie!"

Elwin H.: "So doing Intro is pretty much like giving birth."
Ciska d. G.: "Yes, people have said that."

Lotte: "In Turkije zijn ze niet moslims toch? Daar zijn ze Turks?"

Inge S.:"De CO is een professioneel iemand."

Ciska: "Is pussy een woord?"
Jelte: *wijst naar Robin*

Koen D., oud-voorzitter van de ODC: "Is dat het GEWIS kinderdagverblijf?"
Tessa V.: "Dat is het ODC logo!!"

Noël om 15:15 aan zn 5e drankje
Sven: "Je kan ook gewoon genieten van je biertje."
Noël: "Doe ik, ongeveer een kwartiertje lang."

Wout d. R.: "Punt is...nee laat maar, hier heb ik geen zin in."

Samuel: "Soms denk ik aan opgeven, maar dan denk ik: 'Geeft de bata radio op?' Nee."

Samuel: "Als je een "make a wish" kid hebt die sinterklaas wil zien ga je toch ook niet vertellen dat ie nep is."

Tessa V. op de verjaardag van GEWIS(28 Juni): "Waarom valt er een paasei op mijn hoofd?"

Anoniem (voorzitter van het 43e bestuur der S.V. GEWIS): "Ik heb ze persoonlijk allemaal geïmpregneerd."

Stijn: "Wat nou gemansplained, je snapte het gewoon niet"

Annemiek: "Ik ben precies de gemiddelde man."

Maiko over Ruben die aan het poolen is: "hij heeft geen krijt nodig met de grip die hij heeft"

Lizzy: "I'm not an animal, I'm just from Nigeria."

Martijn: "Het is gewoon jammer dat friemel met piemel rijmt."

Sandor: "Tessa waarvoor zijn die paarse mandjes besteld?"
Tessa: "De Défi period kits"
Sandor: "Huh waar staan die dan, ik heb ze nog niet gezien"
Tessa: "Het vrouwentoilet haha"

Martijn: "KAOLO KAOLO KAOLO FEUTEN!"

Elwin:"Ik ben Défi feut"

Ruben L: "Het kostte je (Noel) vier pogingen om op alcohol te drukken"

Veerle naar Dylan: "Haha jij bent oud!"

Veerle: "als mijn zus mijn zus niet was?"

Alexa: "I know that Dylan went free Willy!"

Alexa naar Dylan: "het is een goede look voor je, misschien moet je vaker janken"

Arend R.: "Ik was heel blij dat het alleen maar comic sans was, want anders was ik nu wel echt in paniek."

Rink P.: "Je hebt anderhalve liter Bacardi gedronken?"
Hiske K.: "Maar ik had het wel gemixt met Peachtree!"

Leon: "Japans fantasie wezen; zo'n hentai inktvis"

Ciska: "I now understand why parents stay together for the kids"

Noël: "kijk het is bijna alcohol tijd!"
Randy: "laten we daar op proosten!"

Willem S. die naar twee bapaos en een kopje soep kijkt: "Ja dit is wel een AVG-tje"
Willem S.: "Een broodje is wel een aardappel"

Ciska: "Hello I am Ciska, no wait I am sober"

Koen D.:"Ik kan helemaal niks!"

Elwin: "Ik hoop echt dat mijn introkiddos alcoholisten zijn."

Ruben L.: "Had de KKK ook commissiekleding?"

Vice-Praeses Verkade: "Ik vind dat steekspel meer klinkt als een (bord)spel dat uit Helmond of Oss komt."

Ann-Sofie, after being outside for 15 minutes: "I thought we were inside"

Dhr. Lakeman over of hij bepaalde namen herkent: "Je kunt alle buitenlandse namen overslaan, die ken ik toch niet."

Robin van D.: "Als wij allebei de helft van deze bak eten, hebben we allebei 2000 kCal gegeten."

Bartjan H.: "Ik ga naar Utrecht! Niemand van mijn familie woont in Utrecht, jij domoor."

Leon V.: "Ik vind het fijn hoe je een beetje squirt als je proost."

Leon V.: "Ik ga dit niet vragen, maar mag ik er aan zuigen?"

Vinz: "Mijn eerste keer ging minder soepel!"

Vinz: "Soms kun je een beetje lekken"

Luc C.: "mijn keel doet zoveel pijn, het voelt alsof ik een kroket gepijpt heb"

Sandor: "Ik heb geen hartslag, fuck"

(sjaars) Jaro: "Wtf is de deelsla, hoeveel ziektes willen jullie verspreiden"
Tessa: "Ik heb een hapje genomen"
Jaro: "Ja, ik heb twee hapjes genomen"

Willem S.: "Het smaakt naar kernafval."
(...)
Willem S.; "Ja, Fernandez, ja!! Chemisch, chemisch, chemisch"

Bartjan: "Gefeliciteerd!"
Lotte: "Elwin, gefeliciteerd! Waarmee? Wordt je niet vervolgd?"

Tessa: "Ik wil best aan Sam's pik trekken als je daar blij van wordt."

Als je 1 seksstandje voor de rest van je leven mag gebruiken, welke is dat dan?
Hiske: "Cosmopolitan"

Hiske K., Penningmeester van het 44e bestuur: "'Vo voor fraude!"

Joris P: "Brakmo vind je niet grappig?"

Prof. Groote: "70 procent of physicist will end up as programmers, except that they have never heard of decidability."

Darja: "I had a frontal lobe development moment during intro."

Ruben: " Dus, hobby's?"
Elwin: "Seks, is wel een dure hobby."
10 seconden later
Aal: "Ohh, is dat vanwege de hoeren?"

Elwin tijdens Cluedo: " ik denk dat Donna de moordenaar was in de keuken, oh wacht dat kan eigenlijk niet hè? Er van uitgaan dat een vrouw in de keuken is. Dan maar de studeerkamer, ik ben woke"

Ciska: "Atlas heeft meer big dick energy dan Vertigo."

Jarmo: "wie is Jarmo, en waarom gaat ie de stad in"

Lotte: "Lake man, was een vrouw."

Noel: "Straks hebben emos een langere levensduur omdat ze minder PFAS in hun bloed hebben."

Hiske: "Dit is geen geld voor GEWIS, dit is geld wat je gewoon kwijtraakt."

Annemiek: "How did she unpregnanned herself?"

Maiko: "I am vaginal fluid!"

Robin vD: "Not implemented?! Your mum is not implemented!"

Darja S.: "Do you consider Latvia Eastern Europe or Scandinavia?"
Robin H.: "I consider it Russia"

Samuel: "Als je niet huilend kan boekhouden kan je sws niet boekhouden."

Martijn: "je bapao is ontploft."
Rene: "ah, dan is ie bijna ontdooit"

Random vrouw op fiets tijdens FLUP kroegentocht: "Ik hoop dat jullie sneller studeren dan jullie fietsen"

INFIMA

MEMBER

STUDY TRIP

Hello everyone, as you might know last summer the study trip was organised. This time around the trip went to the United States and Canada. As a committee we thought it would be nice to share our experiences of the trip with you all. We hope you will enjoy reading about our trip. And maybe even be inspired to organise or join the next study trip.

text Inge schermer

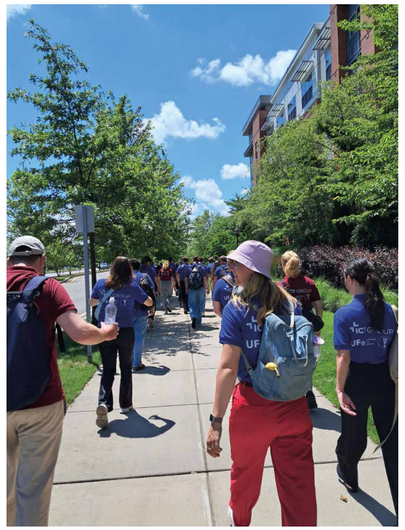
BOSTON

We started our trip to the United States and Canada on Sunday the 13th of July. We started by taking the train from Eindhoven Centraal and made our way to Schiphol. After successfully getting through security we waited for our plane and had a pleasant flight to Boston. When we arrived in Boston it was only evening, even though Dutch time told us it was 2.00 AM. As it was the first day and we had some free time, people explored the city, visited the campuses of Harvard and MIT, or went shopping.

On Tuesday the 15th of July we had our first company visit at Prodrive where we got a nice tour through their facilities. It was very nice to be able to see the differences between the offices and factory in the Netherlands, and the smaller production site in Boston. That day it was also very hot, to the point where we all sweating through our polo's from a 30 minute walk. It turns out that visiting Boston during a heatwave has this effect, so afterwards people got some ice cream and milkshakes and explored the Target that was closeby.

Wednesday we visited the North Eastern Research Institute where we had some very nice in-depth presentations about their PhD research programs. As a nice addition we got, in true American fashion, pizza for lunch.

During the last full day in Boston we started the day of with a tour at the freedom trail where we heard about the history of the city. The tour guide was very memorable as he asked us to give everyone that asked a question some applause: "great question, great question, a hand for the great question everybody". In the evening some people went to a comedy club where they coincidentally saw our tour guide again.



NEW YORK CITY

Our days in New York where very nice, on the day when we arrived, we went to the hotel and people got dinner and a group headed to Coney Island where they saw amazing fireworks and rode on some rollercoasters. The highlight of our adventure in this city was on Saturday: a group of participants had prepared a scavenger hunt for all of us to explore the city. We visited all the famous New York landmarks such as the Brooklyn bridge, the statue of liberty, times square, central park, the bull of wall street, and the 9/11 memorial. Whilst completing challenges we raced through the city trying to gain as many points as possible navigating the subway system of New York with merely a map. In the end it was a close call, but the winners of the scavenger hunt were announced and received their own miniature statue of liberty. You might find one of these mini statues at GEWIS.

Sunday we started the day of by going to the American museum of natural history where we could explore many different areas of natural history such as the solar system, insects, the earth and many animals. The museum was so big that you could easily spend hours wandering around looking at all the exhibitions. Afterwards people continued to explore the city enjoying central park, visiting the high line (an old metro rail converted to a park) or walking along the Hudson River.

Monday was already our last full day in New York for this day we had a company visit planned at Pfizer. After we completed the program we got the opportunity to ride the elevator up took the 66th floor of their headquarters were we had beautiful views of the city. In other words, we ended our stay in New York literally on a sky high!

Tuesday the 22nd of July we were again traveling to a new city Leaving behind the skyline of Manhattan, we took the train up north to Canada and the Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS

Though we were in only Niagara Falls for a short stay of 2 nights, we had a great time visiting the landmark that was the inspiration for our trip (which you can also find in the GEVAL logo).

We had an easy train ride with some nice views of the countryside of the state of New York. I personally really enjoyed playing many, many, many rounds of The Crew together with Pieter, Hiske and Ciska. After we got through border control, we got a recommendation for an Italian place from the very kind border agent Mike, so that night most of the of people had dinner there. From the restaurant window we could also enjoy the fireworks that were shot into the sky. It turns out that this happens every night in Niagara Falls.

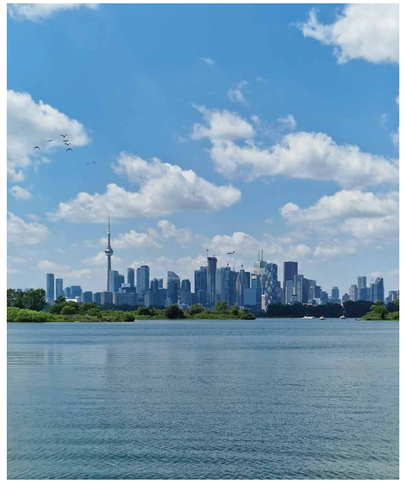
MEMBER

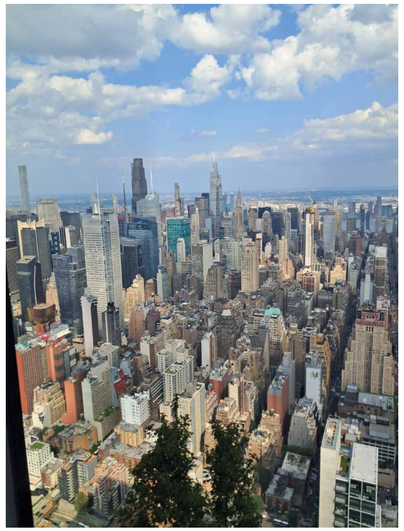
Our first morning in Canada started off with breakfast at the International House of Pancakes (aka IHOP), after which the main part of the program in Niagara Falls started. We first took a boat tour over river beneath the Falls, being blissfully unaware that we would come back completely drenched. Even though we got soaked, it did give us the opportunity to take some beautiful pictures of the Falls! After the boat tour we had the Journey Behind the Falls, where we got to stand a lot closer to the Falls take even more pretty pictures.

TORONTO

After arriving in Toronto on Thursday the 24th of July we dropped our luggage immediately took the metro to the University of Toronto. Here we got a tour of their campus with its beautiful buildings and we took some nice pictures at places our tour guide described as wedding picture hot spots. After the campus tour we got a talk from the director of the Fields institute, which specializes in bringing mathematics researchers from all over the world together.

On Friday we woke up early as we had to travel 2.5 to the university of Waterloo where we had a full program ahead of us. At arrival we had some time to spare, so people roamed the campus to visit one of the many Timmy's (donut and coffee place) located there. The Timmy's was visited a lot during our stay in Canada.





Then we had a campus tour where we saw all 4 (yes 4!) mathematics and computer science buildings they have. In the first building we came we also came across uMathNews, which is their version of Supremum. We continued on to MathSoc (their GEWIS) where we ended the day with some pizza and snacks on a game night together with the Waterloo students.

The next day was a free day so many of us explored the city, where we saw some highlights of Toronto like the CN tower, the Blue Jay stadium and St. Lawrence Market. Not to forget, many of us took the ferry to the Toronto Islands where we enjoyed the beaches, the water, and especially the view of the Toronto sky line. After a nice visit to the botanical gardens on Sunday, we spent our last morning in Toronto on Monday by visiting Toronto Metropolitan University. That afternoon, it was already time to take the bus to the last city of our trip: Montréal.

MONTRÉAL

On Tuesday it was time for a hike at about a 1.5-hour drive from the hotel. Here we hiked for, depending on whose measuring device you ask, between the 13 and 15 km with 540-645 meters in elevation. During this hike we saw some beautiful nature and even saw a vulture.

On Wednesday it was time to visit Polytechnique Montréal, which is located at the top of many stairs. After walking up all the stairs we noticed that we had to be at the entrance down the hill, so we took the building's 7 escalators back down. That evening we also had a shared dinner at a Japanese (yes wrong country we know) tapas style restaurant to close off the trip together.

On our last full day in Montréal we visited McGill university where Linh, a TU/e and GEWIS alumna, gave us a great tour of all the facilities. In the evening we went to the Planetarium, where we saw a film about black holes and celestials.

On Friday our flight left at 21.00 in the evening so we still had the whole morning and part of the afternoon to explore Montréal. Many of us went to the Formula 1 circuit on the island for either a run or a walk.

All in all, we had a lovely trip. I want to thank everyone who joined this trip either as a participant or professor,

but especially my fellow committee members who made this trip so amazing. So I therefore do thank Hiske, Lizzi, Ciska, Jens and Bartjan, as this trip would not have been the same without them. I hope you enjoyed reading about our adventures across the pond as much as I enjoyed sharing our adventures with you.

MEET THE FYCS

Every year there is, of course, a new group of first-years that join First-Year Committees in GEWIS. So, this year we have some more new faces. To get to know the new committees they will all introduce themselves quickly.

FYC 26-0 DE BONUSBAZEN

Meet De BonusBazen, the best first-year committee of GEWIS that runs on pure bonus power and an unhealthy amount of crêpes. We don't just collect bonuses... we live for them. If there's free food, we're already there. If not, we'll probably host the event anyway with crêpes. 🔥🥞

FYC 26-1 ERROR 418

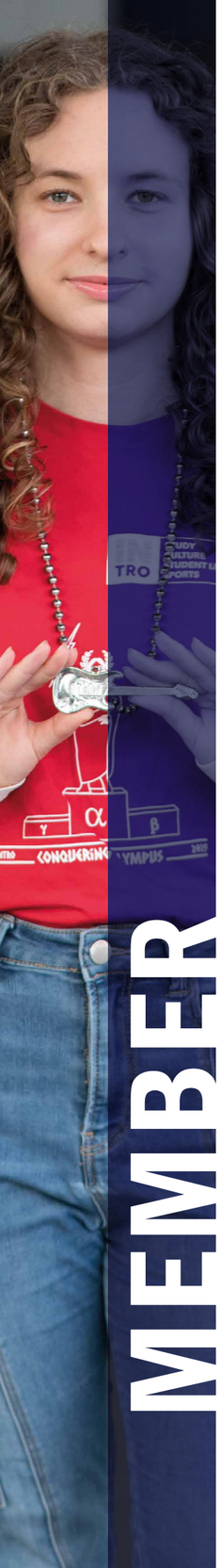
42 is outdated - the new answer to life, the universe, and everything is 418. We are FYC ERROR 418, named after the HTTP error 418, which is literally "I'm a teapot." Look out for our cyan hoodies at GEWIS borrels, and expect some events in the future!
Sincerely, the teapots of ERROR 418 <3

FYC 26-2 RAID

We are Raid and we are more than happy to announce we are actively participating in this year's FYC competition and yk what we r winning this sh*t, as we r all from group 7. We are the funniest, cringiest, most unofficial official committee and "To be cringe is to be free." - Megan 2024 . Expect the wildest and most unforgettable parties and events. And if you happen to miss on one of them, feel free to follow us on our journey towards 1st place @raid.fyc and if you dont u've lost THE GAME.

FYC 26-3 THE KIWIS

Hi everyone! We are The Kiwis and you probably know us for being the best fyc. Our greatest skill is being unbothered, but we never let it show!



INTRO & FLUP

The Intro week is a must for any new student anxious to meet their future colleagues and learn about the city. There, I met people who are still my closest friends, and I couldn't be happier. I had great adventures and made unforgettable memories that still make me chuckle. I am not sure how these people found a place in my heart in such a short time, but I wouldn't want it any other way.

TEXT Zara Lugar

THE INTRODUCTION TO A NEW LIFE

The Intro week was much different than I expected. I honestly didn't think that I would meet such amazing people before the university even started. At the beginning of the week, we got sorted into small groups with our two intro parents. I was lucky enough to be placed in a group with not only approachable and energetic "parents" but also lovely people, including one guy from my small country.

We spent the whole day running around campus, participating in various challenges and learning Dutch games (like splitting a beer can with your forehead), and we finished it off with the Opening Party.

Even though the Opening Party was fun, I can't say it was my favourite memory from the whole week. There were so many different anecdotes that I couldn't really pick just one. For example, during the Study Association Party on Tuesday, my friend and I stayed there so long that Theo gave us valutas to make us go home. It didn't really work as intended, because our first reaction was, "If we do this every night, we could get so many more!"

We were constantly keeping track of all the challenges we needed to do to get more valutas, but soon we realised that we could use different approaches, for example, proving to Stijn that Santa was real by using a Wikipedia article about an American politician with the same name. Honestly, finding loopholes made the challenges so much more interesting.

Since I averaged around four hours of sleep each night that week, it was only logical that I finished the week in a similar style. So, on Thursday, we had an all-nighter, where we may have lost our minds a little bit and were hitting the Hubble tables with our glasses while singing "Baila Baila" with our intro dad. Consequently, he was forbidden from singing it ever again.

We finished the week with a competition using our valutas, but we were so sleep-deprived that we didn't really stand a chance.

A week later, we had the Vibes festival with Fontys students, which was interesting. I didn't expect the first song I heard to be Baby Shark, but life is full of surprises. We finished the Intro by going to Subway to eat cookies with ice cream from SPAR, going to see Egbert the fish, and then going to Stratum with the friends we made during the Intro week, which was the perfect end to that adventure.W

PROGRAMMERS IN THE WILDERNESS

The Flup was also quite eventful. To be honest, I went there to witness programmers trying to survive in a forest for three days; I had to see it with my own two eyes.

The weekend started with us trying to navigate to the campsite, stopping at bars and drinking on the way there. Once close to our destination, we continued on foot, finding "liquid wisdom" on our lovely walk.

The issues started once we got to the camp and it was time to set up our tents, at around 3 a.m. It turns out that most programmers don't know how to set up a tent, so that left me and one of my friends trying to set up tents that had seen better days, while being cheered on by our future tentmates. The tents were missing some crucial parts, so we also had an impromptu scavenger hunt. And yes, I see the irony between my initial reason to join and me becoming the programmer trying to survive.

We went to bed at around 6 a.m. and got woken up a few hours later by a one-hour loop of a song that probably gave me PTSD. The day continued with a lot of different activities, from sports to creative outlets. Throughout the weekend, we had regular tent malfunctions, from one tent having a hole in the ceiling to our other tent missing its waterproof outer shell, which meant we had to disassemble it every time before it rained and put it back up after. By "we", I again mean my one capable friend and I. If there's ever a zombie apocalypse, I now know who I'll pick, which wasn't the life lesson I was expecting to learn on this trip, but I'll take what I can get.

The last activity of the day was the Cantus, before which we got a three-hour ban on alcohol so we could survive it. Of course, my group decided this was the perfect opportunity to go outside the camp and play jazz music to cows nearby.

But to people in the camp, it looked like we had a whole elaborate scheme to get alcohol, so they sent a chaperone who was very confused when he found us. I can only imagine what was going through his head as he walked up to us, expecting to find us ordering vodka delivery during the GEWIS Prohibition, and instead finding us having a staring contest with a herd of cows while jazz played in the background. The Cantus itself wasn't as scary as it sounded, and afterwards we went to bake marshmallows.

Of course, we got woken up again by the same hour-long loop of the same song... I can still hear it in my nightmares. We spent the morning packing all our things.

The trip back to Eindhoven was unexpectedly eventful. One of the guys in our friend group had a flat tire, so we quickly lost the rest of the group that was going back to campus. That gave us the opportunity to go on a side quest to fix his tire. We were unsuccessful, which meant we arrived almost five hours later than expected, but it was nice to see that nobody wanted to leave him, or anyone else in our little "family", behind. I was also struggling to keep up at times, but nobody even mentioned it — they all just adjusted to my pace. We ended our journey by finally arriving on campus and collecting our things.

All in all, like the Intro week, Flup was an unforgettable experience filled with unexpected events and fun stories to bring back home.

STUDYING ABROAD

Moving to the Netherlands has quite frankly been a crazy experience and sometimes I ask myself: "Why did I even decide to move here, and was it really worth it?" From having to find a place to live and dealing with scammers from overseas, to opening bank accounts and learning how to not get hit by cars while riding a bike – it has been an eventful few months, and I am sure it will continue to surprise me every day.

TEXT Borislav Grebenarov

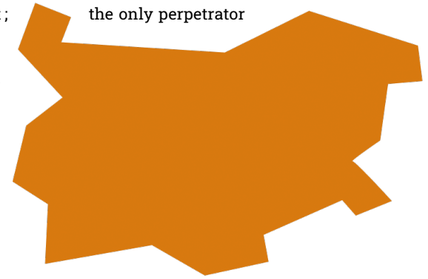
Despite having been here for such little time, I have grown to like and cherish such moments. And it sounds kind of hypocritical saying that my stay has been a short one, as it feels anything but that, because if you ask my family and friends, it has been way too long since we last saw each other. But, yet again, it is the little things that, even though we find them strange and at times even annoying, we should look up to.

> "These things are the very ones that widen our perspective; they help us understand others, even though we do not share a common past."

And even though I can continue to ramble on about how "It was more about the journey, rather than the destination," or over-saturate the article with even more cliché ideas, I would rather give some examples of the exciting things that I have done here:

Meeting lots of new people. Despite not talking to a major part of them and having forgotten their names immediately after they introduced themselves, I have also made few good friendships. It is always reassuring to have somebody that you can call in a moment of great misfortune, or more realistically, whenever you are bored and just want go out partying... Or when finals come and you realize that you probably shouldn't have skipped lectures and tutor hours.

Speaking of parties, I am also glad for the amount of time that I spent drinking and going to "borrels". I still do not quite know what the actual translation of said "borrels" is. However, by rough estimations, it should have a positive connotation. It is a function (not the f(x) type one) that is always accompanied by lots of alcohol, lively music (that thankfully is not Dutch) and people having fun. Interestingly enough, even though the amount of time that is allocated for parties is rather short and concentrated primarily into the beginning of the year, the amount of parties and drinking is rather big, and when I say big, I mean massive. Beware! Lots of drinking, especially beer (but of course, if you do not drink or have had enough, nobody would insist; the only perpetrator is your FOMO).



More on topic – studying. Yes, the campus is gigantic, and you will get lost multiple times, but hopefully at some point you will start to remotely understand where rooms are. Another important thing, that was not really a shock as people mentioned it multiple times, but I guess it wasn't enough – there is a lot of studying. Do not get misguided by the first week and by the fact that you probably know all of the material, or that the lecturer is going over the smallest detail on such a basic topic.

Another major aspect is the city itself. Coming all the way from Bulgaria, my first observation and a pleasant surprise was the smoothness and lack of potholes on the streets and sidewalks (and I don't even ride a skateboard or anything!). Also, the buildings are very uniform, clean, futuristic, and as beautiful as they come. There is also something dystopian and depressing about the whole scenery. I am not sure if it is exactly that uniformity that bugs me, or just pure nostalgia of my homeplace.

Let's also not forget Intro Week. This was once again another culture shock; it's in my opinion rather unseen from where I come from. Balkan countries don't really have those introductory amenities that make sure you feel welcome. It is rather the other way around; it is assumed that you should know where to go and what to do; nobody will make sure you are physically ok, let alone mentally. In contrast, during the intro week it was made sure that everybody knows who they need to contact should they feel unwell or just homesick. While at first it seemed excessive, it is reassuring to know that you will always have this support.

Overall, I would say it has been a great experience, except the part that it is extremely windy; and rainy; and moody; and chilly. Yeah, the weather conditions are far from ideal, however... (As previously mentioned,) there are many nice things.

PASTA PESTO

Everyone has encountered the MoSCoW method at some point during their studies. What better way could there be to then define the classic student dish of pasta pesto using this method! Here we will provide you with both the vegetarian and non-vegetarian option.

TEXT Martijn van Dijk and Elisavet Papaconstantinou

MUST HAVE

- One (1) Crate of beer
- 3-4 hungry people

SHOULD HAVE

- 500g of penne pasta
- 400g of white mushrooms
- 200g of shredded cheese
- One (1) jar of pesto
- One (1) courgette
- Two (2) chicken breasts or One (1) can of chickpeas

COULD HAVE

- One (1) box of pear ice popsicles
- One (1) potje ballie Altstadt

WILL NOT HAVE

- A bad time

EXECUTION

Note: Don't worry about cross contamination the alcohol will kill the bacteria

1. Get the groceries
2. Give a beer to everyone
3. (meat): Cut the breast into cubes and throw it in a pan with hot oil
4. Give the next beer to everyone
5. Cut the courgette and mushrooms into quarters and throw them in the pan
6. (vegetarian): Put the chickpeas into the pan
7. Put the pasta in the boiling water (with salt (or an old board member))
8. Share another round of beer
9. Once the mushrooms and courgettes are cooked (like us) you throw the pesto in the pan
10. Once you finish your beer, take the pasta out of the water and into the pan with the sauce
11. Take another beer
12. Plate the pasta and top it off with some cheese
13. Proost!

AFTER DINNER RITUALS:

1. Finish the beer
2. Sing Baila De Gasolina
3. Have some popsicles
4. Send a Tikkie for the dinner
5. Go for one potje ballie Altstadt

As dignified mathematicians calculated the price per person for you. If you are vegetarian then, good for you, your meal comes down to €4.37. Otherwise, if you like some breasts in your meal then €5.29 it is. (Prices may very per store and no inflation was kept in mind)
By following this recipe you waive your rights to sobriety for the evening. I have carefully read this agreement, fully understood it and have signed it of my own volition.

Signature: _____

Good luck making the recipe!
Much love and beer,
Martijn and Lizzy

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