

VI Kitchen Assistant

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1 Executive Summary

2 Acknowledgements (other's assets)

3 Introduction

3a. Project Overview

This research project is focused on constructing training environment to perform some basic tasks. In particular, it establish kitchen environment, which will be supervised by Virtual Intelligent (VI) . Using set of motion detective tools and kitect camera on the top of area, VI will be able to track persons movements, provide cooking advice and follow up environment state to inform of any sort of danger or thing which require user attention or other assistant. This tool is aimed for people with different disabilities, in order to train watch over them self, independent from other guardians.

Virtual assistance was given a name *Evka - Enhanced Virtual Kitchen Assistant* ¹. Her name can be translated as Eva, which will be used in majority cases. Using a hand trackers, tool markers, property or sort of thermal scanners and fridge content she will be able decide the best possible to cook menu, track user activities in order not to harm anyone, track on the state of cooking process with level of heat, time and user actions.

At current stage Eva is able to communicate with her voice using RTVoice asset. Her responses are generated based on user actions. Original idea was to develop Question-Answer Virtual Intelligent environment. However, after going through limitation of the project, users ability and current level of technologies, idea was postponed to better times.

As a result, Eva able to use Unity Engine Kitchen environment around, which were marked with a tag to, which type of tool it belongs. Her dialogues stored in a tree hierarchy and changes depending on user actions. In the mean time, player has abilities to manipulate with object using controllers, represented as mouse and keyboard.

3b. Report Aim

Presented how tasks were achieved. Overjeis of API. Doxygen doc generator. <http://www.jacobpennock.com/B/automatic-documentation-generation-an-editor-plugin/>

4 Background research

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5 Methodology

1. Establish Unity on Home Windows Machine. Google drive used as source control. - Unity 2017.2.0f3
2. Use Unity Asset Store to establish sort of kitchen environment. Kitchen asset and creation kit. MCS Female for body. RT-Voice PRO. Meximio animation.

¹from a Czech language - Eva

3. Draw VI model and place in the kitchen. Add one of two ways of communication using either text or voice. Using different speech synthesis, Google translate was used as more appropriate. In addition, WebGL Speech Synthesis may become the best tool.
4. Build one work flow hierarchy with Evka's feedback. Add camera view track.
5. Set up Evka's track abilities.
6. Build easy interactions with enum states as lift pull and collisions.
 - Knife - Lift, Pull, Cut. Safe state, Danger State.
 - Kitchen plate - Cooled, Heating, Hot. Safe state, Danger State.
 - Pan/Pot - Empty, filled. Cooled, Hot.
 - Spoon - Cooking Tool.
 - Glass/Plate/Shell/Fridge - Storage.
7. Give player the hands - keyboard/mouse.
8. Set Cooking ingredients.
 - Vegetables - Whole, Cutted. Dirty, Clean. Old, Fresh.
 - Meat - whole, cutted, mean. Frozen, normal.
 - Rice - Dry, Cleaned. Empty/ Full.
 - Pasta - Empty/ Full.
 - Potatoes - Dry, Cleaned. Empty/ Full.
 - Oil - Filled, Empty.
 - Butter/Salt/Paper/Seasons - Yes or Null.
9. Set Up Avatar restraints. I.e Do not allow take knife from working area, do not put pasta into empty Pot. ...
10. To be added ...

5a. Tools in the worlds

In order to create a living representation of the world, all materials were splitted to different categories. Tools - knives, spoons, and all cooking related. Ingredients - vegetables, meals, coffee, sugar, salt. Sources - Cups, Saucepans, Plates, Stoves. Their functionality follows same as in real world.

This approach was chosen not only for simple process logic. It can be used for a teaching purposes, to show patients how to act with different kinds of objects.

Seizing all activities were removed. They require careful logic approach.

In terms of the tools, they exist independently and EvKa watches over their state during entire process. They have to be always at particular area, can not be dropped and never must face to a person direction. Using a motion tracker those warnings can be re-enabled. Currently, she just watches if it was dropped or not, and returns to origin location.

Ingredients are the same as tools, excepted that they can change their state during cooking process. They can be washed, cut, fried, frozen. Currently only few of those states implemented. Depending on complexity of the tasks, these may be enabled. To unfreeze meat, time calculates based on conditions around, vegetable can be washed after collision with water source.

Sources are content for ingredients. Those are final stages for making food. After combining all ingredients, it calculates or sets time for cooking. After, Evka just monitors conditions and provides reminder in the cooking process.

Those are basic tasks which person expect to do around kitchen.

5b. Evka

In order to attract person attention and keep his attention occupied, Evka received a human body, which acts as a support adviser around kitchen. Here abilities extend around entire kitchen, however as a person she located at place, which is on the view, but does not affect process around. She also acts as Audio Source, as basic interaction abilities like talking, greeting and idle sitting. Her abilities as a person can be extended, depending how living she must be.

Currently, her voice is product of inbuilt Windows or Mac Voice, it maybe not emotional, but contains general understanding of the tasks. This approach will make sure, that patients still exist around area and occupied with cooking process. If not - she will remind him or her.

One of the Evka's abilities is to point to the objects around. This function is used in case if person gets lost around. it can be used by simple call. ...

5c. *Instruction

In order to demonstrate the process of easy creation of the new item in the kitchen, following instruction will be provided.

First you have an area. Drop any item which you want to add to surrounding. Manipulate with sizes and add one of preexisted tags, (*or create a new one if necessary, it may require longer process*).

Program will automatically apply colidors, rigidboidy and transform scripts. Take for example we want to add franpan an extra tool. After adding it to a world, it will be able to store content, which called ingredients for cooling.

Second, create a receipt. Better if it will be stored somewhere accessible. Script named *receipts* contains all current staff possible to cook. As an example, lets create a receipt for stir-fry mince with onion cooked on the olive oil. We assume that pasta already ready and it's not part of receipt. (*such complex receipts will require more manipulation.*) Create an Array List with strings, which contains { "oil", "cut onion", "mince", "mixed" }. Last word will mean that content must be stirring with any object which can do it, like spoon. Time for cooking may be calculated automatically with formulas and room conditions, or can be parsed and presented.

Add all this information to following structure and pass to the methods. By default EvKa's dialogs will be set as a simple remainders, they also can be modified from this call. Basically this is a process of basic cooking. All other processes followed with other instructions. ...

6 Conclusion

7 ?Proposal

References