

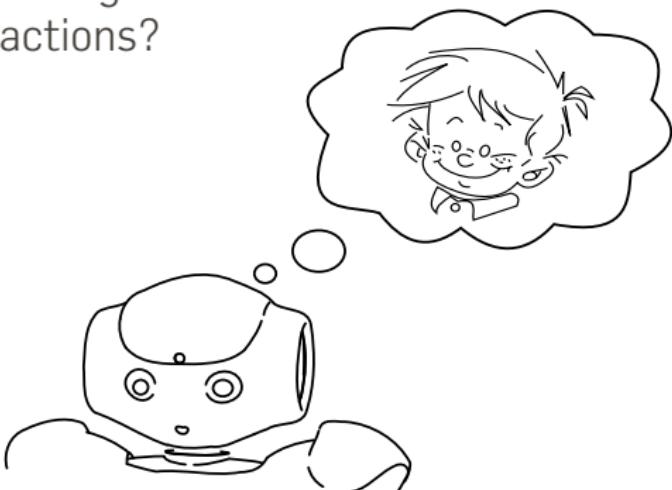
Mutual Modelling in Educational Child-Robot Interaction

Does a second level of modelling
enable higher quality interactions?

EDRS candidacy exam

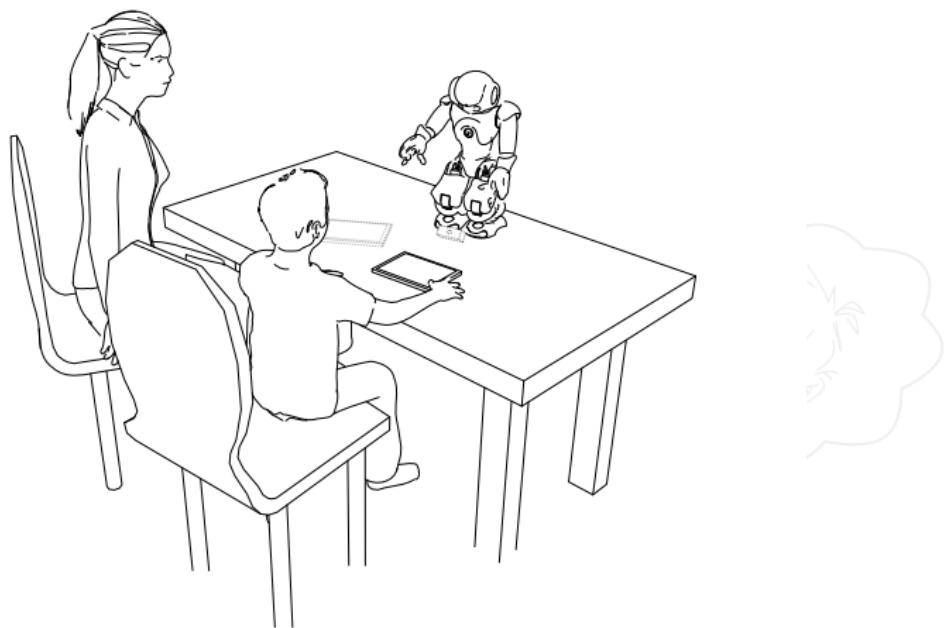
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INTRODUCTION

THE COWRITER ACTIVITY



HENRY INTERACTING WITH NAO

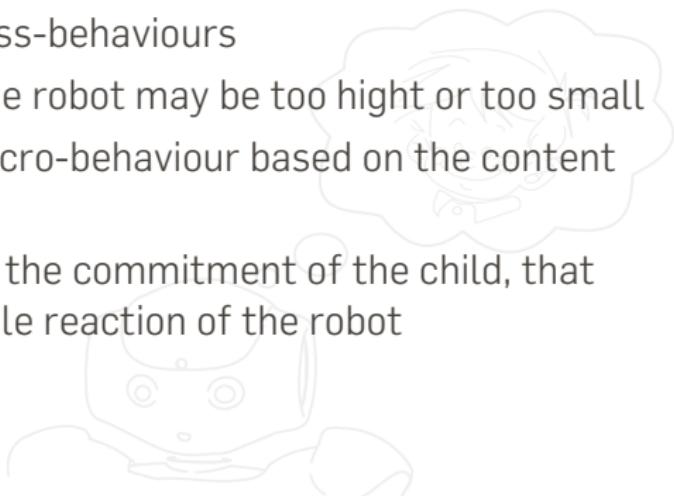


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Child-Robot Interactions in a Learning Context HRI 2016

LIMITS

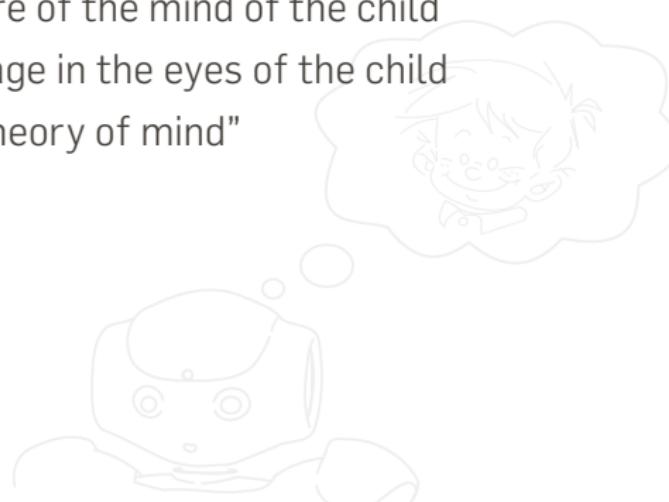
We don't know if the child understand exactly what we want him to understand.

- The robot needs to be able to show that he did not understood eventual miss-behaviours
- The learning speed of the robot may be too hight or too small
- The robot could have micro-behaviour based on the content of the interaction
- Sometimes we can lose the commitment of the child, that could be solve by a simple reaction of the robot



LIMITS

- The robot must be aware of the mind of the child
- It must react to his image in the eyes of the child
- It needs an “artificial theory of mind”



MUTUAL MODELLING IN HRI

LEVEL 1

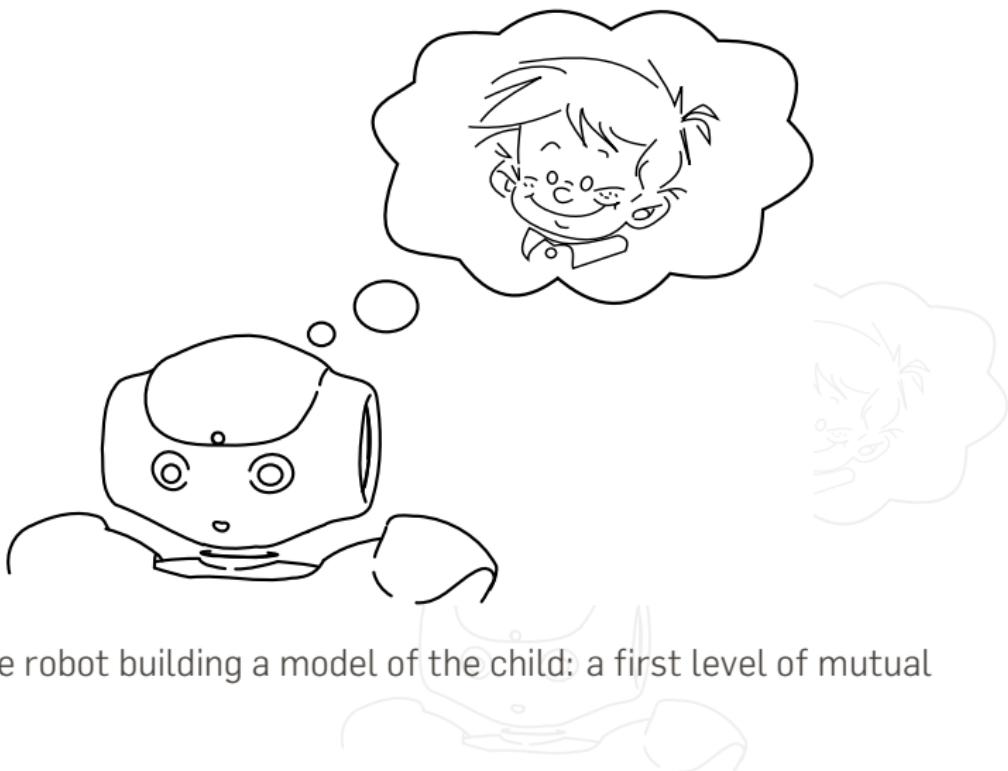


Figure: The robot building a model of the child: a first level of mutual modelling.

LEVEL 2



Figure: The robot building a model of itself perceived by the child: a second level of mutual modelling.

FRAMEWORK

NOTATIONS

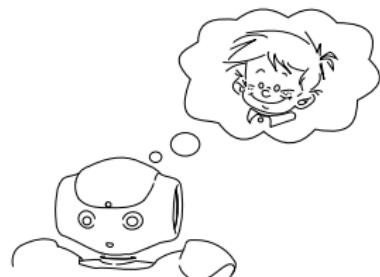


Figure: M_C (1st level)

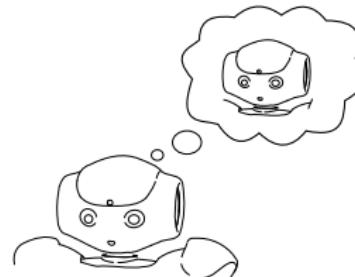


Figure: M_R (1st level)



Figure: $M_{C,C}$ (2nd level)

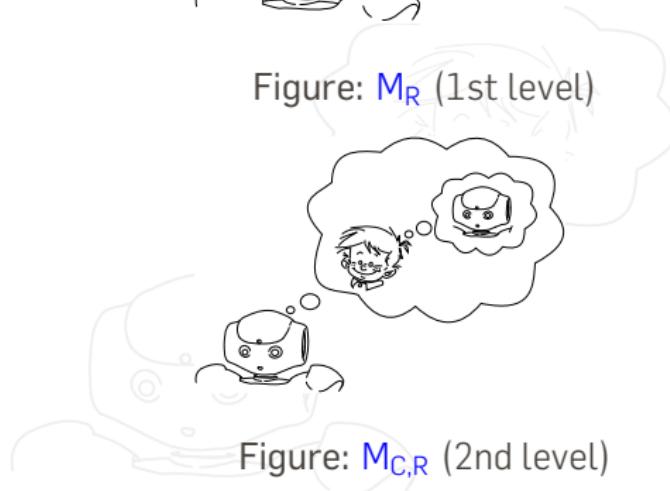


Figure: $M_{C,R}$ (2nd level)

EXPECTED CAUSALITIES

$$\mathbb{P} [\text{mental state} \mid \text{behaviour}]$$
$$\mathbb{P} [\text{abstract variables} \mid \text{perceived variables}]$$

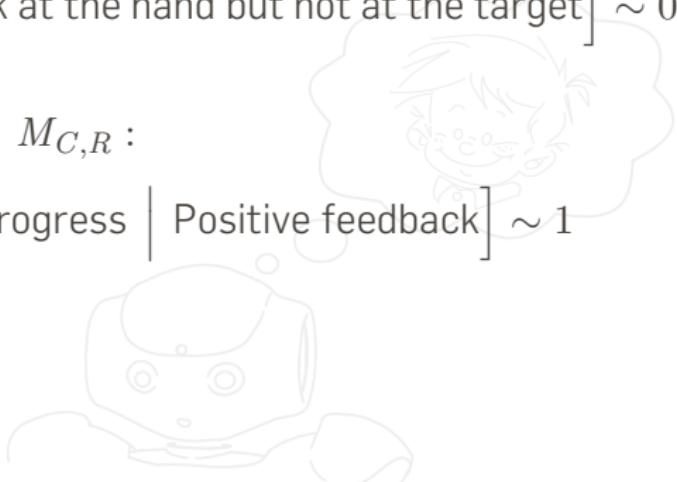

EXPECTED CAUSALITIES

$M_C :$

$\mathbb{P} \left[\text{Understand pointing} \mid \text{look at the hand but not at the target} \right] \sim 0$

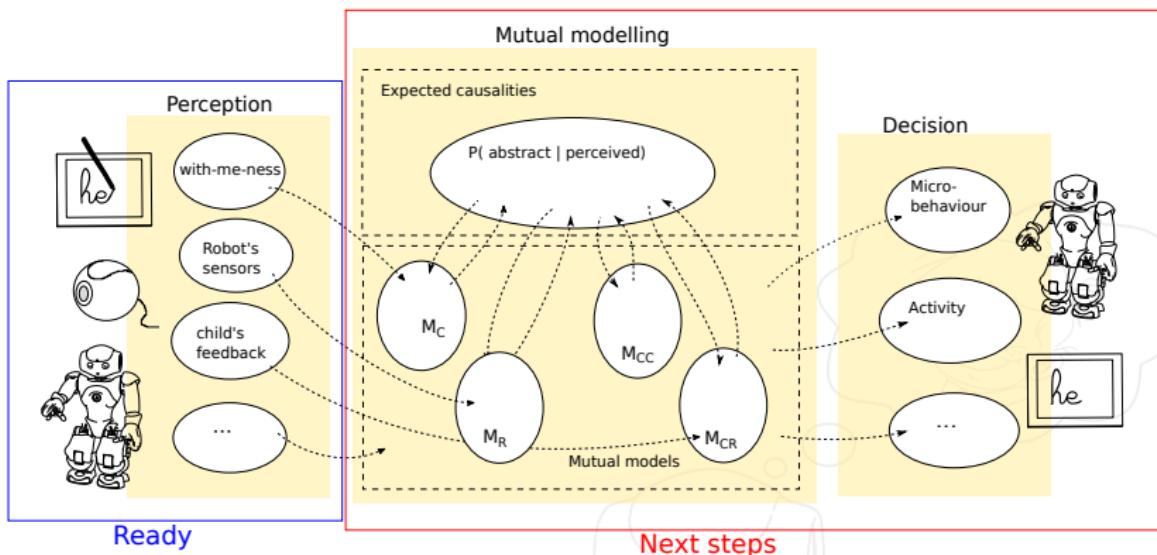
$M_{C,R} :$

$\mathbb{P} \left[\text{Understand robot's progress} \mid \text{Positive feedback} \right] \sim 1$



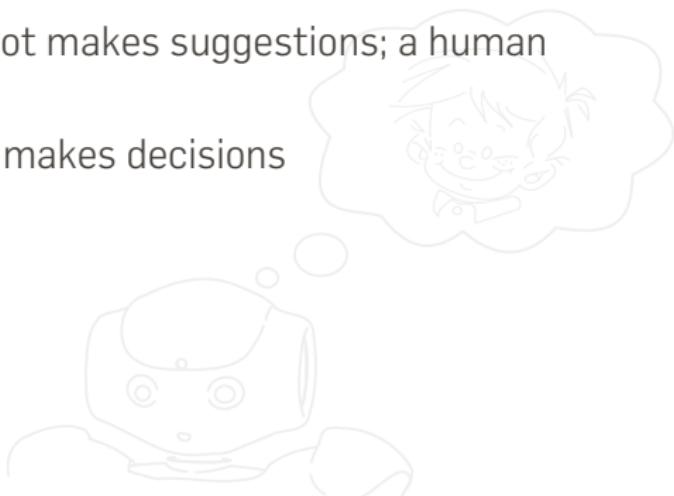
COGNITIVE ARCHITECTURE

GLOBAL DESCRIPTION



DECISION MAKING

1. **Wizard-of-Oz**: A human takes decisions; the robot learns
2. **Mixed-initiative**: The robot makes suggestions; a human agrees or disagrees
3. **Autonomous**: The robot makes decisions



WHAT IS ALREADY HERE ?

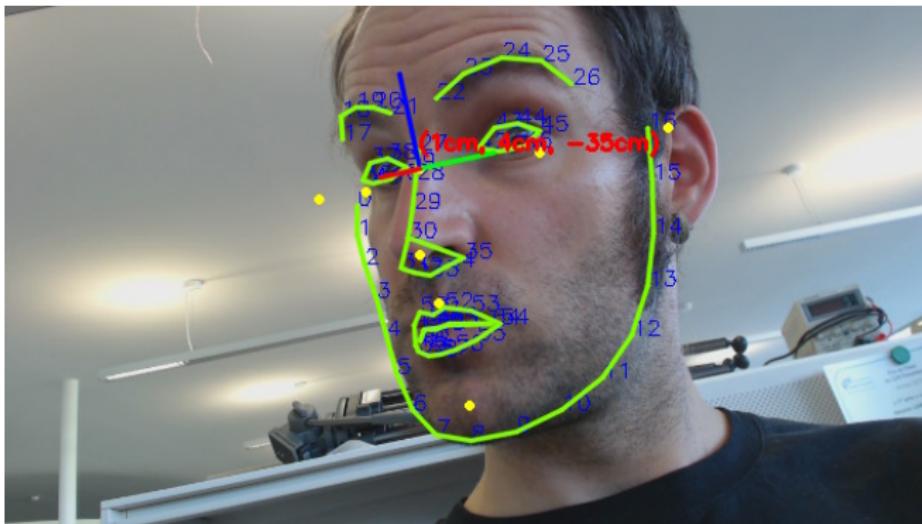


Figure: online with-me-ness

²Lemaignan, S. and Garcia, F. and Jacq, A. and Dillenbourg, P.
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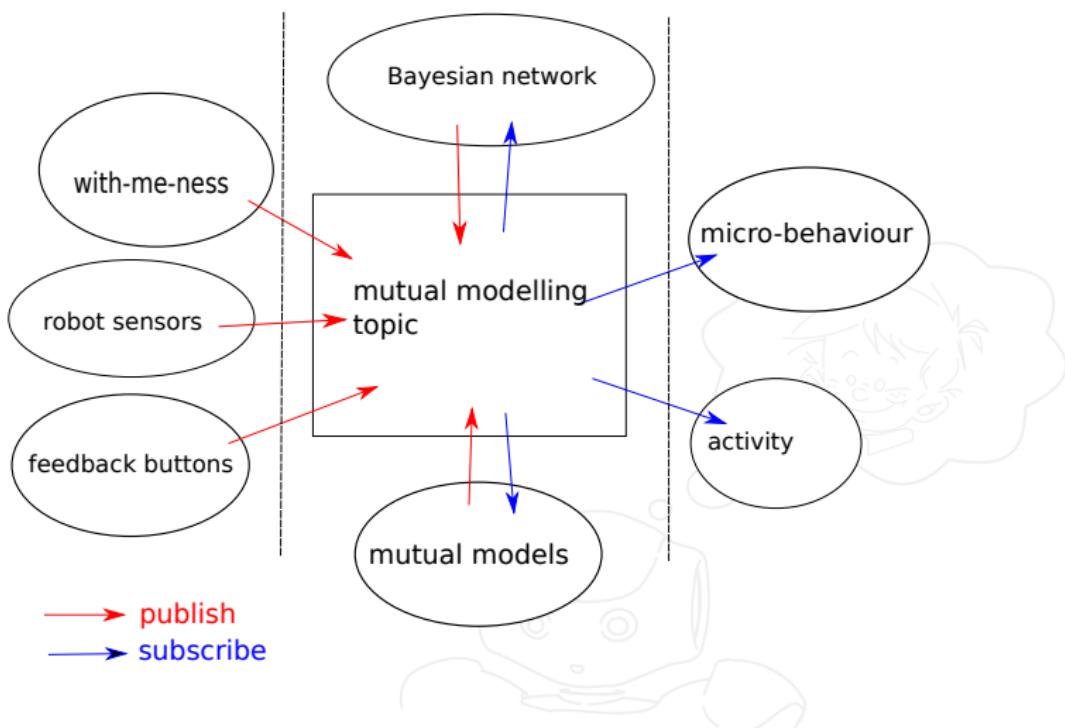
WHAT IS ALREADY HERE ?



Figure: Buttons for feedback

IMPLEMENTATION

ROS NODES



EVALUATION

HYPOTHESIS

- Decisions made using additive information from second level of mutual modelling improve the quality of the CoWriter interaction.



QUALITY OF THE INTERACTION ?

1. Quantity of demos
2. Time spent to write demos
3. Progress of child/robot
4. With-me-ness
5. Feedback buttons



EXPERIMENTAL STUDIES

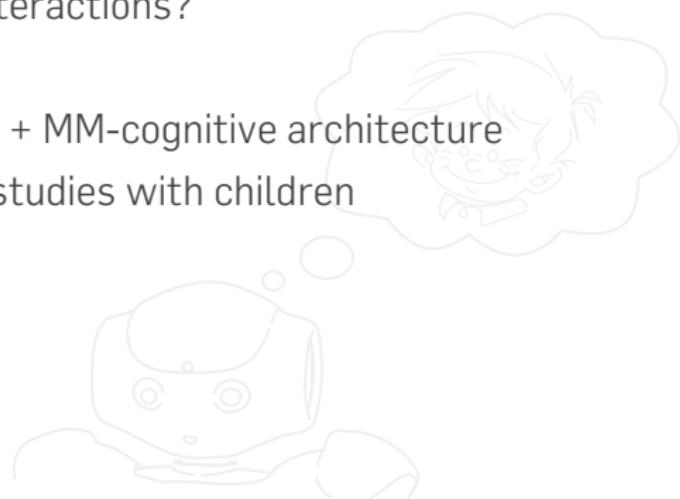
- Long-term studies
- Children with real deficits
- Professional facilitators



CONCLUSION & PLANNING

REMIND

1. **Question:** Does a second level of modelling enable higher quality interactions?
2. **Hypothesis:** Yes.
3. **Tools:** CoWriter activity + MM-cognitive architecture
4. **Evaluation:** Long-term studies with children



STEP BY STEP APPROACH

New variable (or group of variables) → New experiment to test the impact

