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User Personas

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General user personas description:

Personal:

- age group:
 - while the target age group of the bluetooth ABBI bracelet are primarily children and younger people (up to 15-20 yars of age), the Android application is going to be aimed not only for rehabilitation and improvement of spatial awareness of blind people of all ages
 - it is also aimed for use by researchers and experimenters during their studies,
 also suggesting that all age groups need to be considered
- target gender: male and female persons
- level of education: does not apply
- physical condition:
 - disability:
 - people with impaired vision (due to age-related sight loss or other causes)
 - total blindness (congenital or adventitous)
 - people with no disabilities:
 - experimenters (example: research students)
 - blind children's parents (in order to assist the child's interactions with the surrounding environment)
 - small children the sound signals emitted by the ABBI bracelet could help small children to gain spatial cognition quicker in a non-intrusive way

User Motivation

 user's needs - sound-based stimuli in order to eliminate/ reduce the visual information representation on the UI to a minimum

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- tasks the user group might be aiming to achieve:
 - o gain a better spatial awareness:
 - familiar settings: home, personal room, known open space; improve environment interaction performance
 - unfamiliar settings: places that have not been visited before; catalyse the learning process when familiarizing with the environment
- user's typical environment:
 - o dynamic/ static:
 - dynamic the environment is constantly changing (influenced by external factors) during the process of interaction and learning (example: public places)
 - static the environment remains the same/ relatively unchanged during the process of interaction (example: personal bedroom)
 - partially observable the potential user's surroundings are, in most cases, partially observable; this is partly influenced by the fact that visual stimuli cannot ve perceived at all or the user needs assisstive technology - such as magnifying software to interact with the application (in the case of partial blindness)
 - deterministic/ stochastic task environment in essence, the distinction between events:
 - in which the user interacts with others to produce a desired outcome (stochastic)
 - and events which the user undertakes by themselves (the next state of the environment is completely determined by its current state and the action executed by the system user) (deterministic)

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