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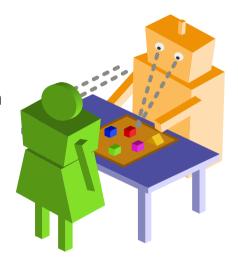
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## ROS for Human-Robot Interaction What is the new REP-155?

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#### **SYMBOLIC SOCIAL COGNITION FOR ROBOTS**

ontologies

perspective taking

cognitive architectures

social situation assessm

REAL-WORLD

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### SOCIAL AUTONOMY

learning of social policie

large datasets

theory of min

group dynamics

robotics for learning

CHILD-ROBOT INTERACTION

trust

experimental robotics

**DATA-DRIVEN** 

HRI

**HUMAN FACTORS** 

engagement

responsible AI

anthropomorphism

social robotics

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#### WHY ROS4HRI?



- o dealing with humans is actually hard: they keep on disappearing/reappearing; hard to predict where/when; 'shape' known at run-time only, etc.
- widely different requirements depending on application: from '2D points' to full online kinematic model.
- o no ROS standard for HRI (nothing, nada, rien!)



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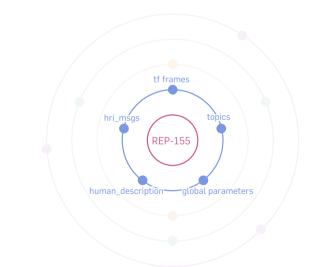
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- integrated as much as possible with existing ROS conventions (eg: robot\_state\_publisher for human forward kinematics)

specification









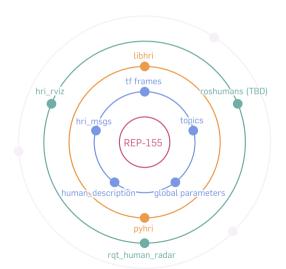




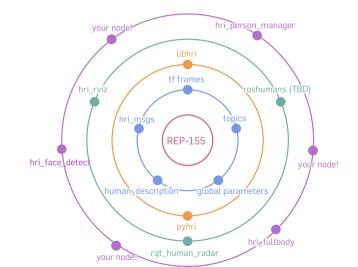
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core interfaces
core libraries
visualisation and tooling

specification

open ecosystem



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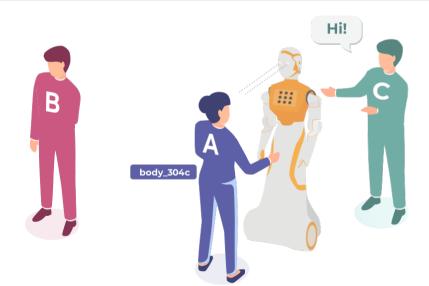
Initially, ROS1 only (ROS2 support planned for next year)











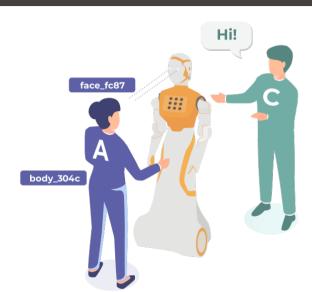




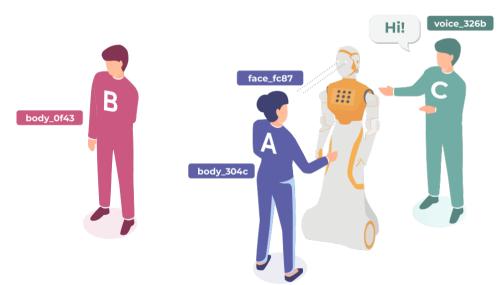






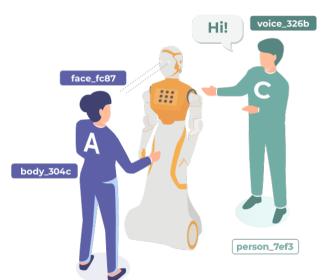












#### TOPICS STRUCTURE: FACES



#### Under /humans/faces/<faceID>/ (eg /humans/faces/bf3d):

Name	Message type	Description
/roi	hri_msgs/NormalizedRoI2D	Region of the face in the source image
/cropped	sensor_msgs/Image	Cropped face
/frontalized	sensor_msgs/Image	Frontalised face
/landmarks	hri_msgs/FacialLandmarks	The 2D facial landmarks extracted from the face
/facs	hri_msgs/FacialActionUnits	The presence and intensity of facial action units found in the face
/expression	hri_msgs/Expression	The expression recognised from the face
/softbiometrics	hri_msgs/SoftBiometrics	Soft biometrics like age and gender of the face

#### TOPICS STRUCTURE: BODIES



#### Under /humans/bodies/<bodyID>/ (eg /humans/bodies/5e4d):

Name	Message type	Description
/roi	hri_msgs/NormalizedRoI2D	Region of the whole body in the source image
/cropped	sensor_msgs/Image	Cropped image of the body
/joint_states	sensor_msgs/JointState	The joint state of the human body
/skeleton2d	hri_msgs/Skeleton2D	The 2D points of the detected skeleton
/posture	hri_msgs/BodyPosture	Recognised body posture (sitting, standing)
/gesture	hri_msgs/Gesture	Recognised symbolic gesture

<sup>3</sup>D pose? tf frames from joint state + human URDF! I'll come to it in a minute.

#### TOPICS STRUCTURE: VOICES



#### Under /humans/voices/<voiceID>/ (eg /humans/voices/dde2):

Name	Message type	Description
/audio /features	audio_common_msgs/AudioData hri_msgs/AudioFeatures	Separated audio stream for this voice INTERSPEECH'09 Emotion challenge low-level audio features
/is_speaking	std_msgs/Bool	Whether or not speech is recognised from this voice
/speech	hri_msgs/LiveSpeech	The live stream of speech recognized via an ASR engine

#### TOPICS STRUCTURE: PERSONS



#### Under /humans/persons/<personID>/ (eg /humans/persons/45ff):

Name	Message type	Description
/face_id	std_msgs/String (latched)	Face matched to that person (if any)
/body_id	std_msgs/String (latched)	Body matched to that person (if any)
/voice_id	std_msgs/String (latched)	Voice matched to that person (if any)
/alias	std_msgs/String (latched)	ID of other person, if alias
/anonymous	std_msgs/Bool (latched)	if true, anonymous person (not permanent ID)
/engagement_status	hri_msgs/EngagementLevel	engagement status of the person with the robot
/location_confidence	std_msgs/Float32	Location confidence; 1 means 'person currentl seen', 0 means 'person location unknown'
/name	std_msgs/String	Name, if known
/native_language	std_msgs/String	IETF language codes like EN_gb, if known

#### TOPICS STRUCTURE: GROUPS



Under /humans/groups/<groupID>/ (eg /humans/groups/56ef2):

Name	Message type	Description
/members	hri_msgs/IdLists	Person ID of the members of the group

**Attention:** not yet in the REP-155!

#### TOPICS STRUCTURE: INTERACTIONS



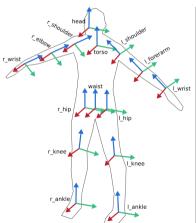
#### Under /humans/interactions/:

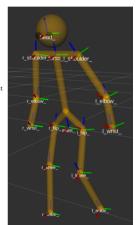
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/gaze	hri_msgs/Gaze	estimated gazing behaviours	

#### HUMAN PHYSICAL REPRESENTATION



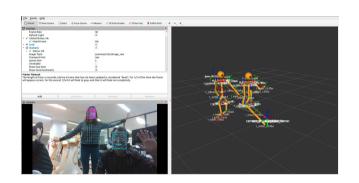
- standard ROS pipeline: joint state (eg OpenPose, mediapipe) -> robot\_state\_publisher + URDF
- URDF generated on the fly, based on person's height (xacro params)
- Follows REP-120 as much as possible.



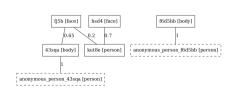


#### TOOLING



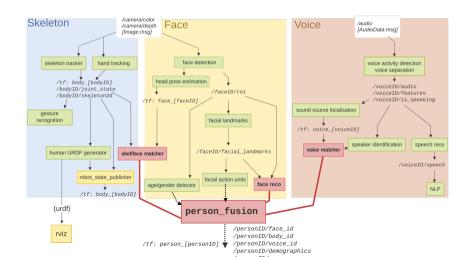


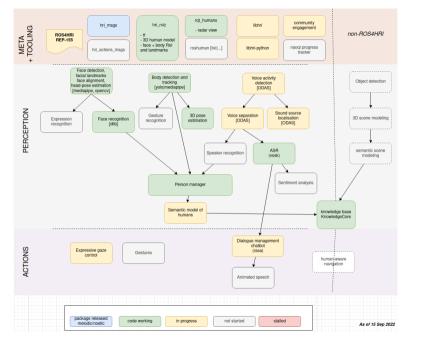




#### ONE POSSIBLE PIPELINE (BUT OTHER ARE POSSIBLE!)









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- ...and we miss a good illustration for it! :wink: :wink:

#### THREE LINKS TO RULE THEM ALL



- Code: github.com/ros4hri
- Documentation: wiki.ros.org/hri
- Feedback: github.com/ros-infrastructure/rep



# Thank you!

#### **SLIDES**

github.com/severin-lemaignan/presentation-ros4hri

We are always looking for great people to join us!

Drop me a line if you want to know more

