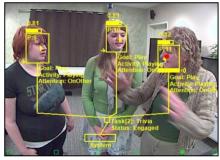
Timing and Coordination in Physically Situated Language Interaction

















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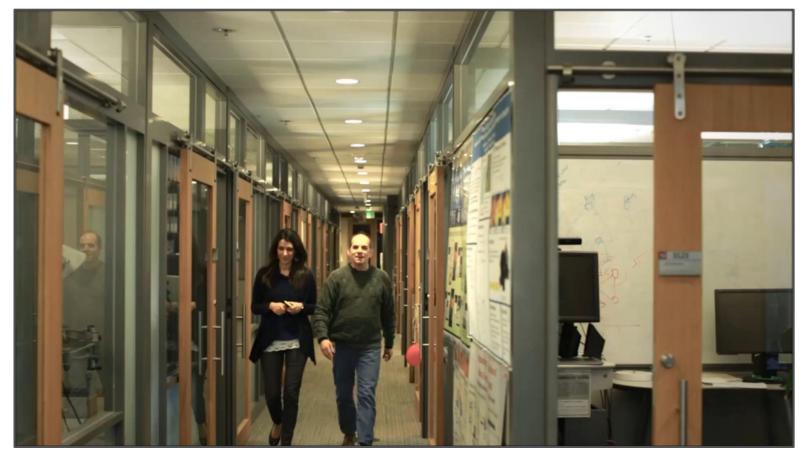
































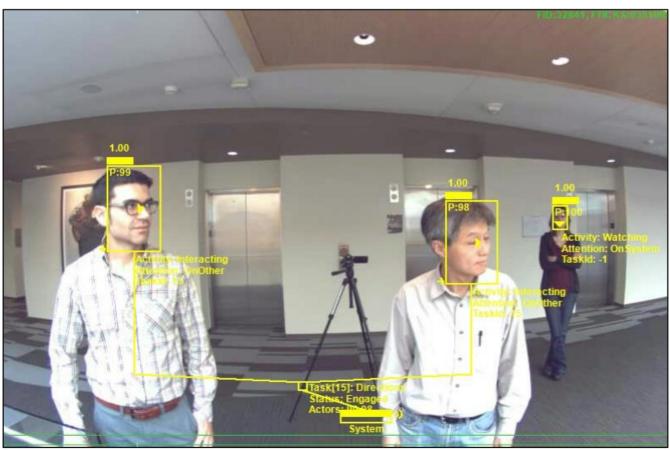












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conversation planning
intention understanding
turn taking
signal engagement
channel















situational context

why: goals and intentions

sense and reason about beliefs, intentions, goals and long-term plans

what: situation and activity

sense and reason about relevant events and activities of self and others

who: physical awareness

identify, track, and characterize relevant actors, objects, states and relationships



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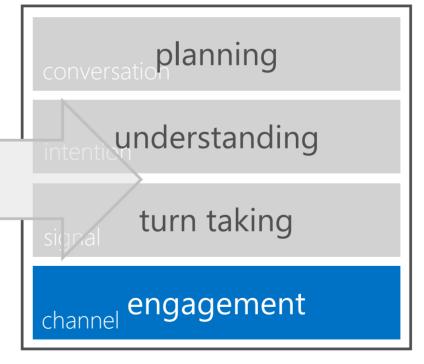




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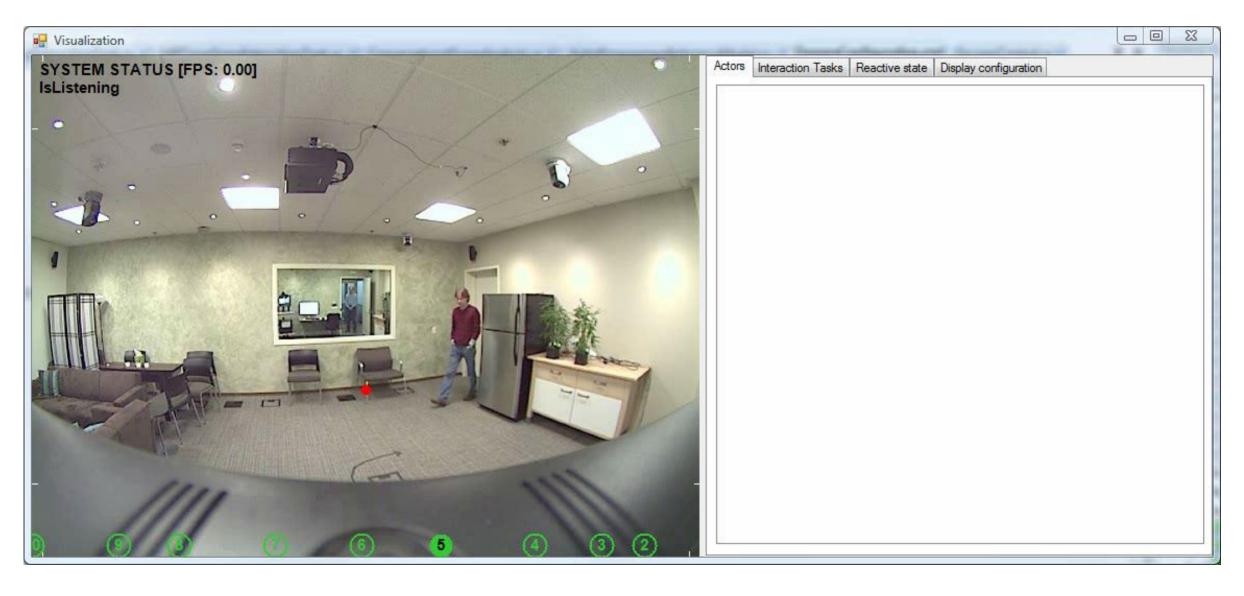




Engagement

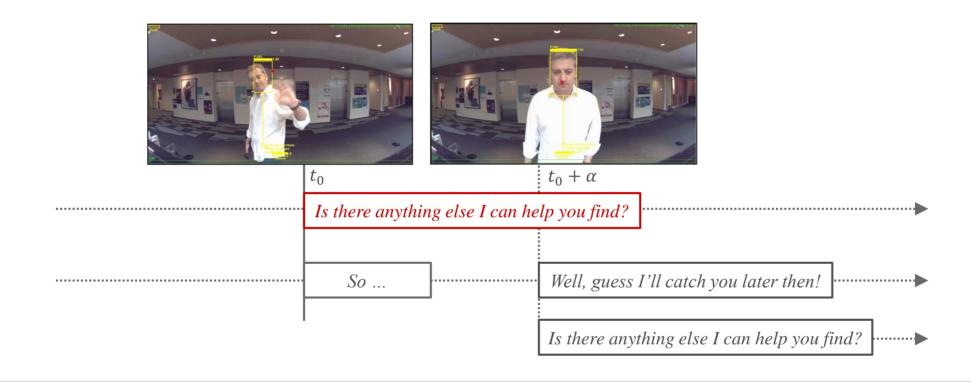


Engagement



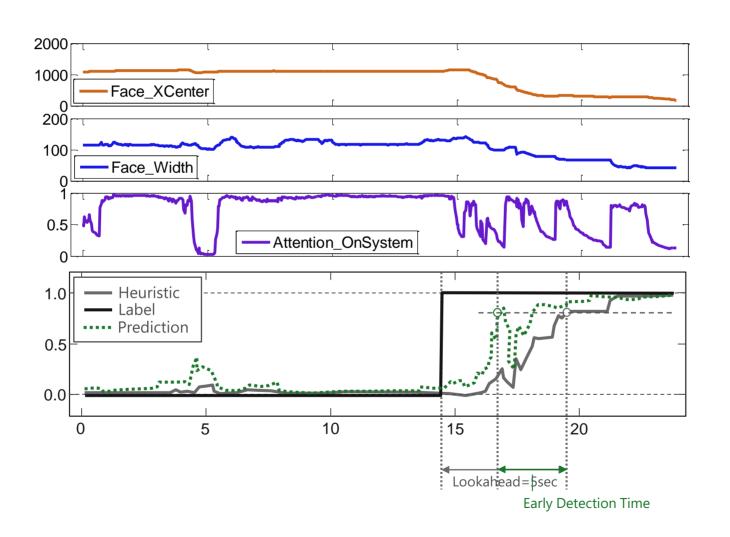
Engagement models: in practice

Forecasting disengagement

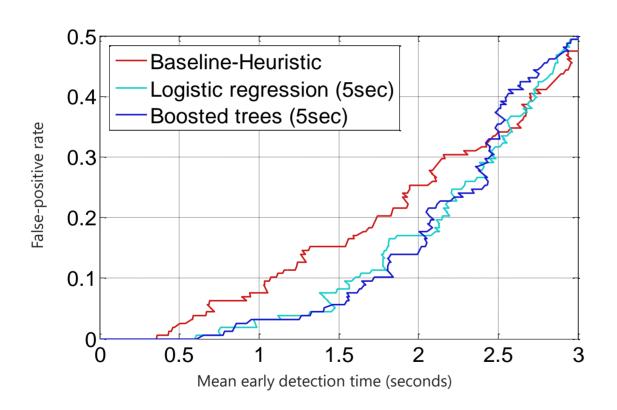


- 1. Forecast disengagement in a future time window
- 2. Use hesitations to mitigate high uncertainty

Forecasting disengagement: approach



Forecasting disengagement: results



Model	Classification error	Mean squared error
Majority Baseline	24.9%	0.1880
Heuristic based model (H)	13.9%	0.1134
FocusOfAttention (A)	17.0%	0.1249
FaceLocation (L)	16.3%	0.1265
TrackingConfidence (C)	18.8%	0.1468
Interaction/Dialog (D)	21.3%	0.1526
A+L	13.5%	0.1057
A+L+C	11.7%	0.0955
A+L+C+D	11.5%	0.0924
Full model (A+L+C+H+H)	10.9%	0.0863











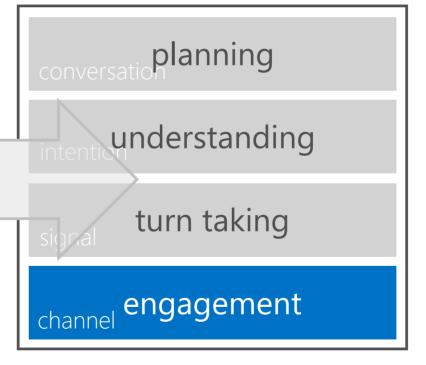




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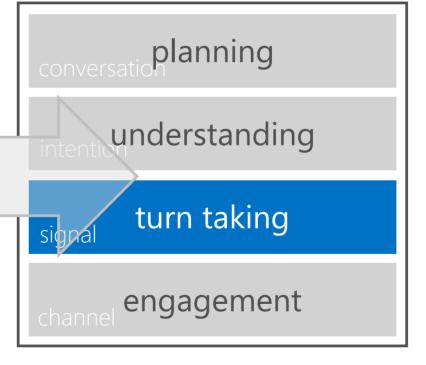




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Coordination of attention and speech production

Charles Goodwin: disfluencies and attention

from Conversational Organization: Interaction Between Speakers and Hearers

•	Anyway, (0.2) Uh:, (0.2) We went t- I went ta bed
Listener:	
•	Brian you're gonna hav- You kids'll have to go
Listener:	·····O
Speaker:	I come int- I no sooner sit down on the couch
Listener:	······O

Our system ...

Mode

Attentional demands

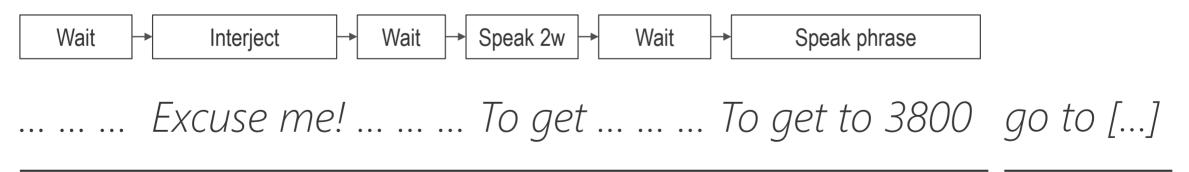
Defined at phrase level
Specified at onset and production
Define expected targets



Attentional supply

Infers attention on various targets
Relies on ML model for geometric visual attention
Leverage features from visual subsystems

Coordinative policy

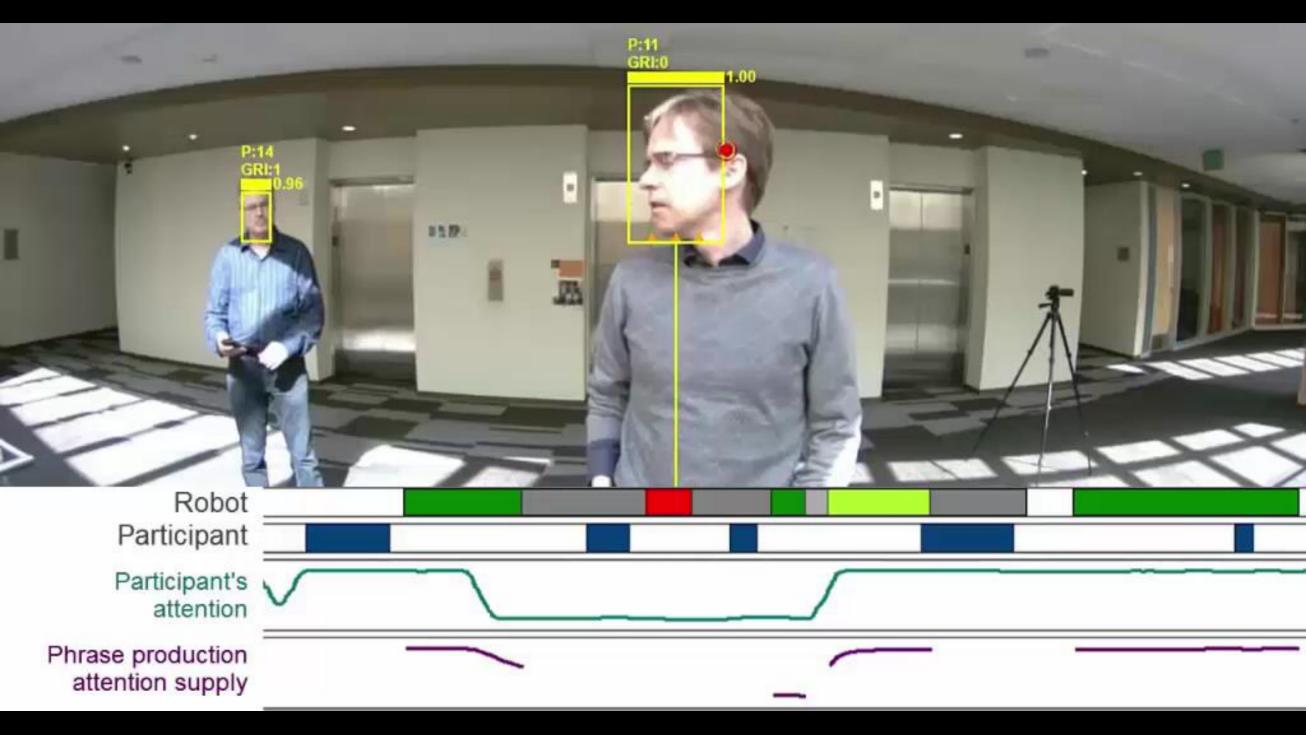


Phrase 1 Phrase 2

a demonstration video ...

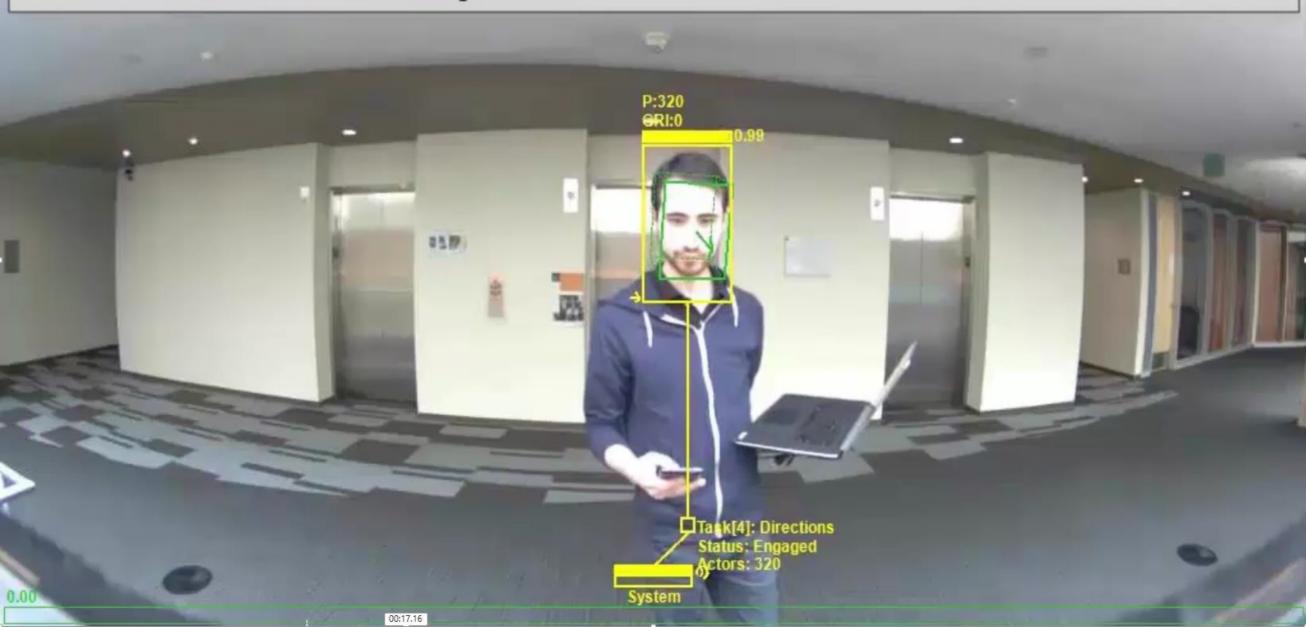


the robot's view ... sensing and computation details



sample natural interactions ...

Dialog act: To get to 2800 | take the elevator down to the 2nd floor | turn left as you walk out of the elevator and continue on to the end of that hallway | ... | Excuse me | ... | 2800 will be on that side of the building.



Dialog act: Status: Engaged Actors, 20 System

... but still, far from solved

another interesting failure mode ...











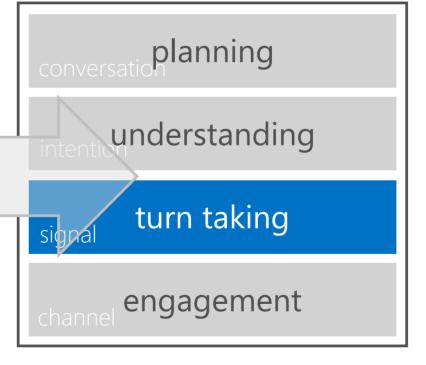




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