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Hybrid Intelligence

Al systems that collaborate with people instead of replacing them

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Why HI?

The classical automation perspective on Al

"My guess for when we will have **full autonomy** [in cars] is approximately three years" (Elon Musk, **2015**)

"a highly-trained and specialised radiologist may now be in greater danger of **being replaced by a machine** than his own executive assistant" (Andrew Ng, The Economist, **2016**)

"People should stop training as radiologists now. It's just completely obvious that within 5 years, deep learning is **going to do better than radiologists**" (Geoffrey Hinton, The New Yorker, **2017**)







The problem with the automation perspective

Replacing humans?...

An alternative perspective on AI: Augmenting humans



Collaboration in Art



The Hybrid Intelligence Center

20m€, 7 Uni's, 50 faculty, 10 years, now going for 5 years

30 PhD/PDs in first cohort (2020-2023)
20 more in second cohort (2023-2026)
25 more about to be hired (2025-2028)

https://www.hybrid-intelligence-centre.nl/

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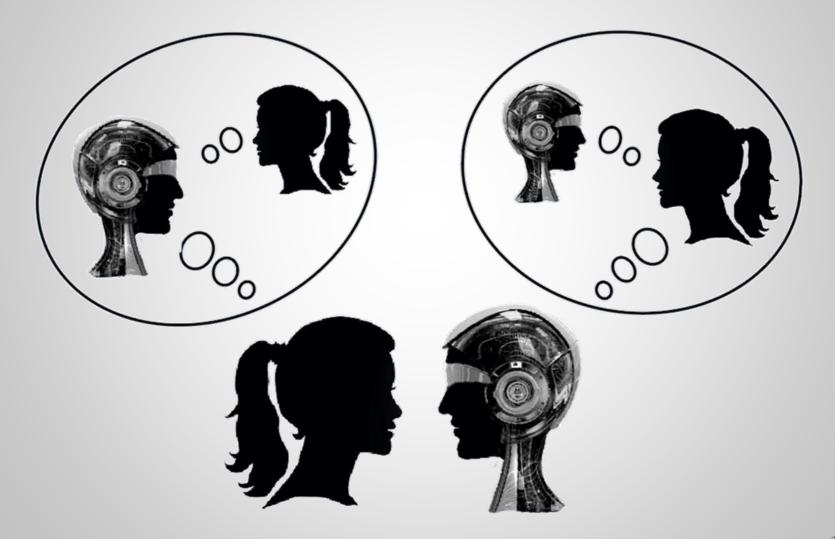
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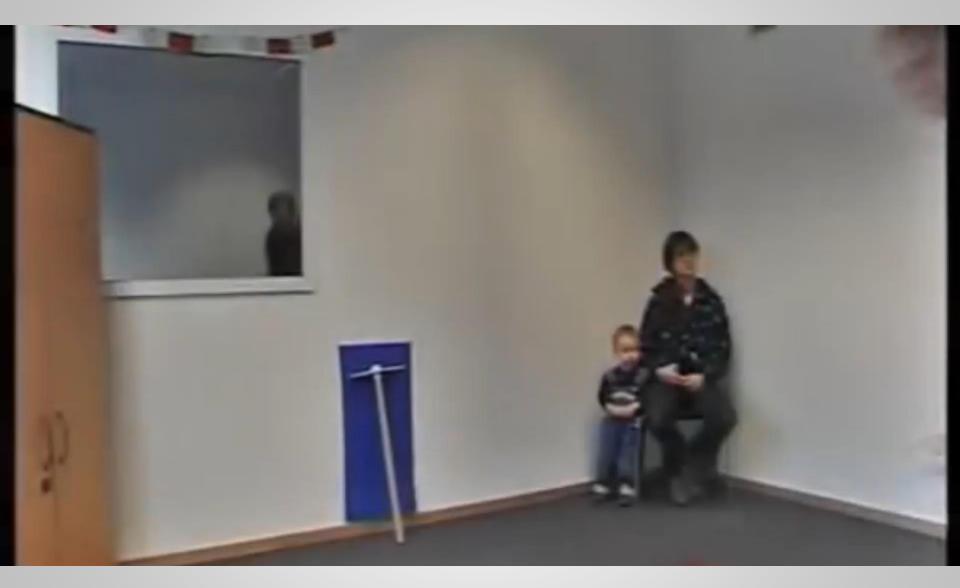




How? (new research questions)

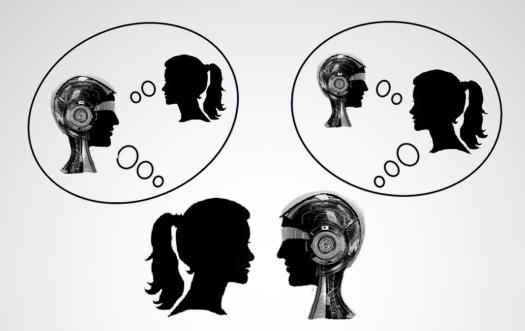
Theory of Mind





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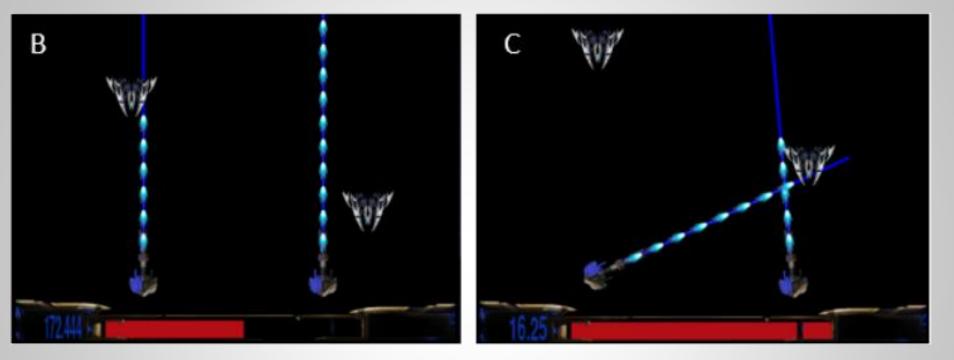


- 2nd order ToM is beneficial in competitive, cooperative, and mixed-motive situations
- software agents with deeper ToM levels give better support to humans on negotiation outcomes.

(de Weerd et al, Al Journal 2013)

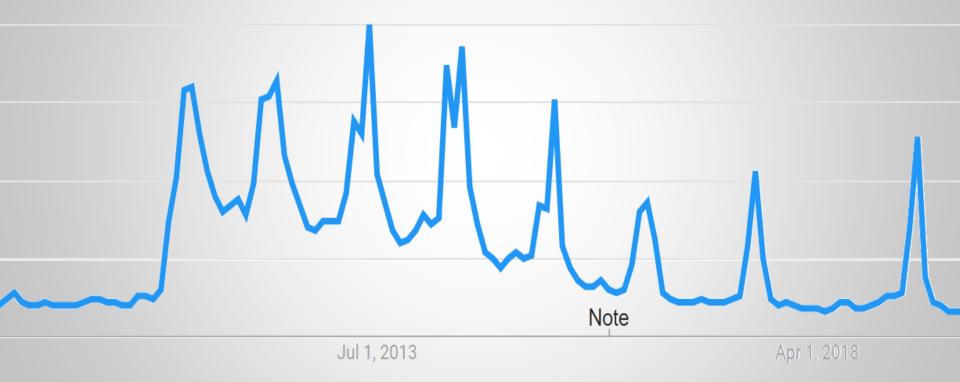
Space Canons: Learning to collaborate

Verma & Acar, HHAI 2022



- Baseline: RL using the game score
- Instruction: RL with human reward for cooperation
- Imitation: Inverse RL from human coop. behaviour instruction > imitation > baseline > 0

Justifications, (not: explanation)



Google Trends for "Song of Ice and Fire"

Cooperation needs multi-modal interaction

Interaction beyond language:

Facial expression, Gesture, Posture



Long term human-agent collaboration: How to combat the novelty effect?

Question:

• Effect of personalisation on long term engagement

Experimental setup:

- 46 children (8-10y)
- 5x 15min conversation over 2 months

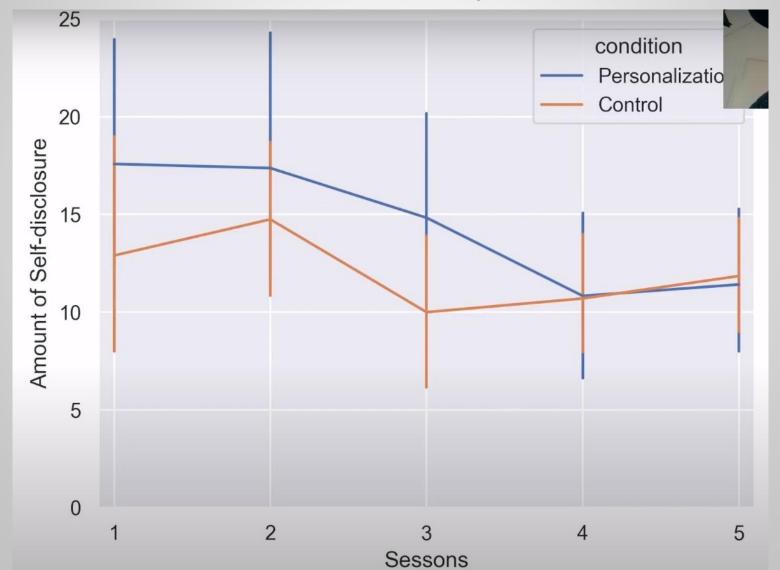
Metrics:

- Willingness to continue,
- self-disclosure,
- emotional valence



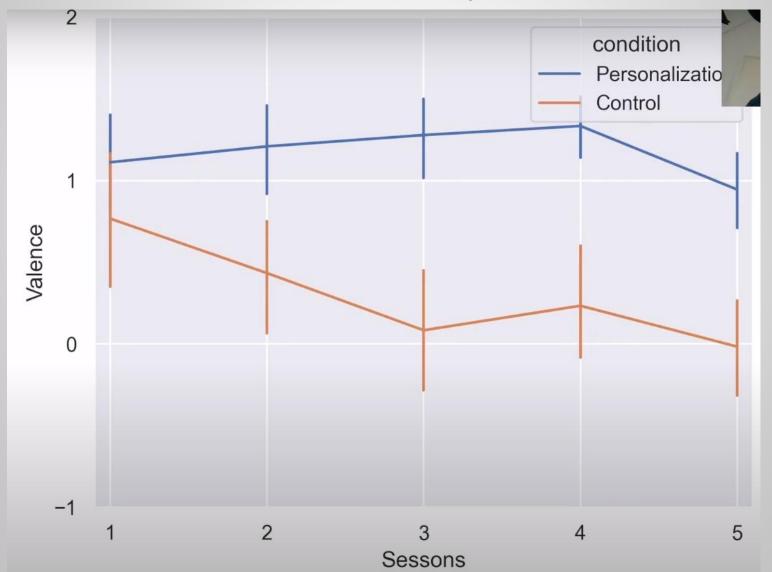
Ligthart et al, HRI 2022

Field experiments with children in cancer hospital



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HI applications (case studies the HI center)

Meet dr. Dalibor Vasilic, Erasmus Medical Center, Rotterdam



Human:

Microsurgeon

15 yrs of education

Cognitive and Physical

Limitations

Meet Synaptive's Modus V



Machine:

Robotic Microscope

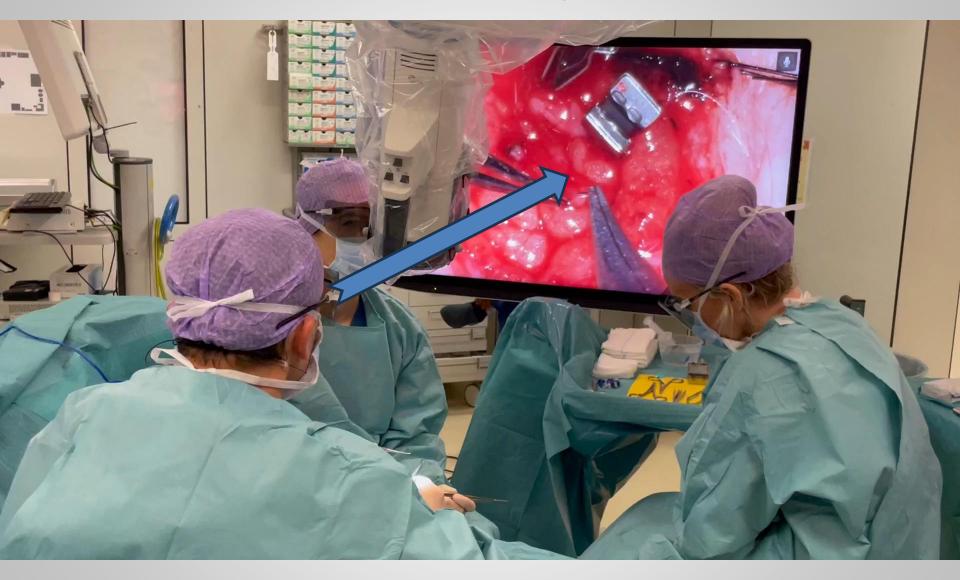
Capabilities:

3D robotic arm,

voice recognition

instrument tracking

How Dalibor operates



When they bought the robot



Surgeons of the Depts of Plastic Surgery and Neurosurgery of Erasmus MC are so enthousiastic about the possibilities that, with support of the Executive Board, they have bought the first digital surgery microscope in the country. "The possibilities are endless", says plastic surgeon dr. Dalibor Vasilic, Erasmus MC, 2020

When they used the robot



It doesn't adapt to me, I have to adapt to it It doesn't know what my plan is, what I'm going to do next, what it should do next. Can HI help us to build a surgical platform?

dr. Dalibor Vasilic, conversation, 2022

HI in the classroom



HI in pediatric oncology



HI in the children hospital



Here at the Maxima Medical Center in Veldhoven, they have a care robot,

Just out:



Filip Ilievski

Human-Centric Al with Common Sense

