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### Introduction

This research work aims to define a model for real-time simulation of multimodal and social behavior of virtual agents when interacting with a learner in an informed virtual environment. We present the main ideas of a cognitive feedback model based on the knowledge of the environment.

Keywords: Embodied Conversational Agents; Interaction; Feedback; Learning; Informed Virtual Environment

## 4 Application

### Informed Virtual Environment for procedural

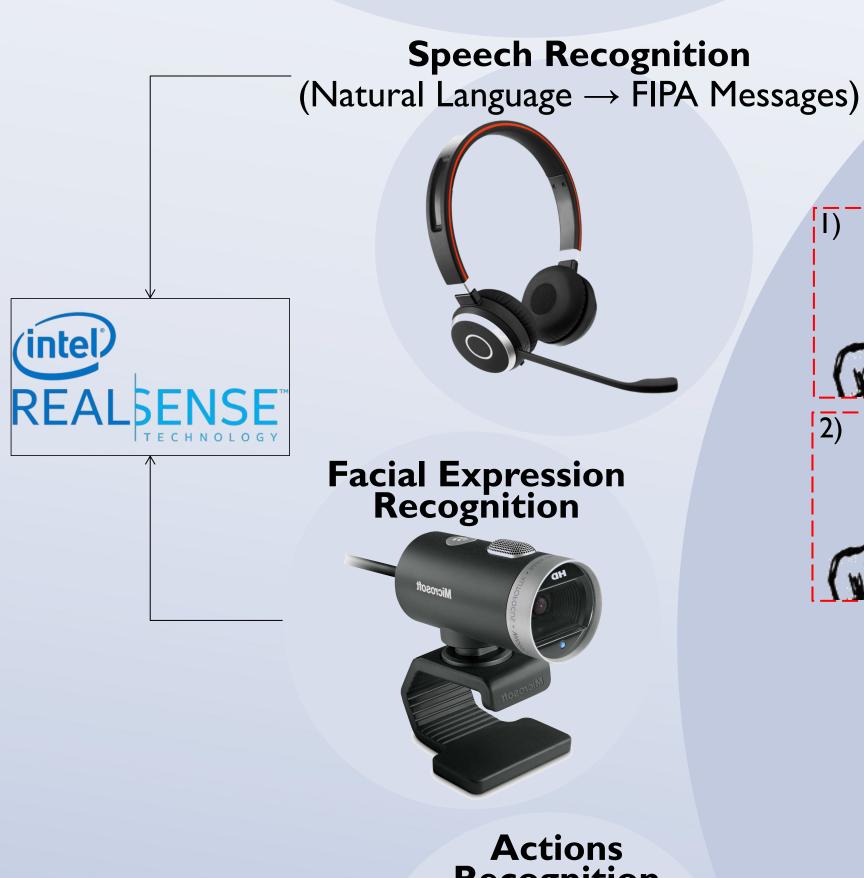
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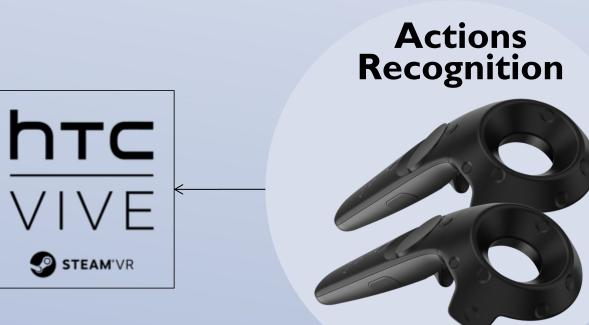
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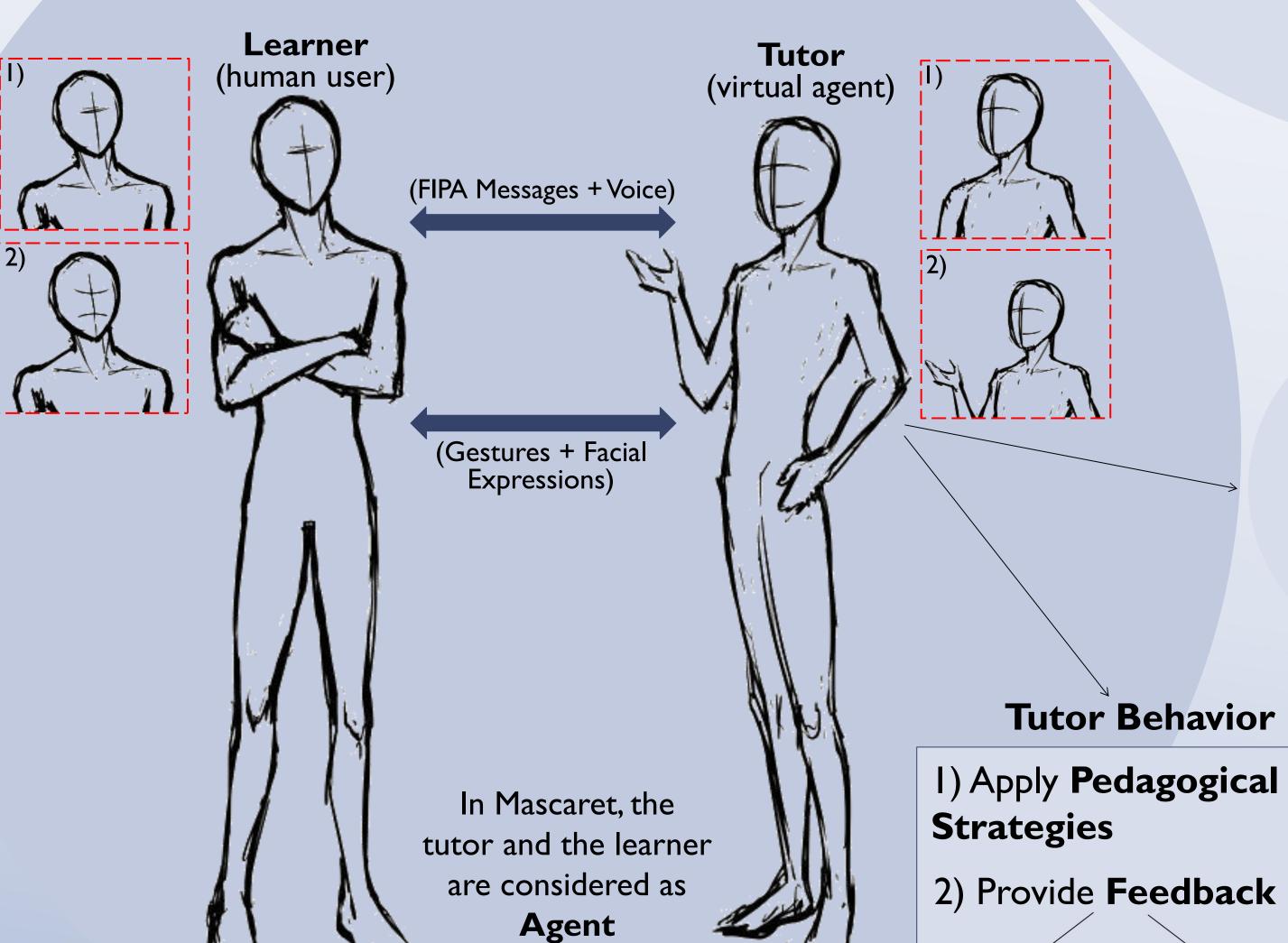












**Tutor Behavior** 

Knowledge

Environment Interaction

**Embodied** Conversational Agent



Knowledge **Environment** Base Structure (MASCARET) **Entities** 

Domain

Ontology

Users & Agents activities and interactions

Behavior

# **Evaluation Methods**

**Subjective Questionnaire** 

STEAM\*VR

**Objective Performance Measures (OPM)** 

Hoareau's Experimental Protocol: Interest of VR for learning, based on OPM. Execution time, consulting assistance,

number of errors, etc.

First Experiment

(Different immersion level):

PC with good graphics quality



VR head mounted display

### Hoareau's Experiment (Non-immersive VR devices):



### **Final Experiment:**

Integration of a virtual agent with a cognitive feedback behavior.



## 5 Conclusion & Perspective

In order to demonstrate the genericity of our model, we also plan to apply this work in the Cultural Heritage Domain.

The proposed model will perform agent behavior having knowledge not only about learning but also on a social-cultural heritage, such as the ancient bridge of Brest. Agents will be able to participate in activities and interact in a natural way with visitors.