Social Learning during Human-Robot Joint Action

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Social signal processing

Human communication dynamics (Delaherche et al. 2012a):

- Computational models with explicit notion of social interaction
- From signal processing to interpretation of behaviours
- Inter-personal interaction: mutual and dynamic influence of partners
- Key concepts in psycho-pathology and robotics



Still face experiments





Interpersonal interaction is a highly dynamic process

- Behavioral dynamics: non-verbal signals (e.g. gesture)
- Individual dynamics: multimodal signals (e.g. gesture
 + speech)

▶ Interpersonal dynamics: social signals (e.g. gazing in response to pointing of the partner)

The «Telegraphist model» of communication (Shannon) is usually considered in Human-Computer Interaction

Emit / Receive / Respond (Answer)

While Interpersonal Interaction in Humans involves «connected individuals»:

- Interdependent individuals
- Inherently relational (e.g. role)
- > Transactional (a person serves simultaneously as speaker and listener)



Non-verbal behaviors in Human-Machine Interaction





Timing issues



Still face experiments

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Computational modeling of interpersonal interactions

«An observer monitoring an action performed by someone else is never far from also being the agent of that actions» (Jeannerod)



Detectable traces of interdependence of partners by Machines that Perceive and Act!

 Cross-coupling reveals a social signature (pathology)



Hormonal correlates

Interpersonal synchrony

Definitions:

- « The degree to which the behaviors in an interaction are non-random, patterned, or synchronized in both timing and form» (Bernieri et al., 1988)
- Social resonance, mirroring, mimicking, matching, congruence, imitation, convergence, the chameleon effect... or interactional synchrony

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Interpersonal synchrony

Definitions:

- Interpersonal synchrony in social interaction between interactive partners is the dynamic and reciprocal adaptation of their verbal and nonverbal behaviors (Delaherche et al. 2012)
- Three main types of assessment methods for studying synchrony emerged:
 - (I) global interaction scales with dyadic items;
 - (2) specific synchrony scales;
 - (3) micro- coded time-series analyses.
- It appears that synchrony should be regarded as a social signal per se as it has been shown to be valid in both normal and pathological populations.

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Case of Human-Human Interaction

- Mutual influence of partners
- Paradigm-shift Looking at partner A to analyze partner B!





IEEE Transaction on Autonomous Mental Development (2014)

Generalize to other tasks and conditions:

- « Early imitation serves a social identity function » (Meltzoff, 1992 1994)
- Learning dynamics of imitation to recognize identity



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Fig. 2. iCub interacting with two participants.

Features	Precision	Recall	F-score
std-d, h-QoM	33%	27%	46%
std-d, h-QoM, h-dom	59%	62%	61%
std-d, h-QoM, h-sync	60%	64%	63%
std-d, h-QoM, h-sync, h-dom	64%	69%	66%

 Table 1. Average Percentage of Precision, Recall and F-score

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Interpersonal interaction for robot learning Learning new skills (Najar et al. 2015) Boosting traditional task-learning by interpersonal interactions Task **Environment Task states** Contingency Task rewards Model Teaching Task signals states **Social rewards** Teaching Task **Performed** action Model Model **Task reward** XCS XCS The Social Model learns to predict action values The Task Model learns the task using: using task rewards in multi-step. task rewards in multi-step. social rewards in single-step.

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Interpersonal interaction for robot learning Exploiting dynamics of social and task learning Training a robot with evaluative feedback and unlabeled guidance signals Anis Najar¹, Olivier Sigaud¹ and Mohamed Chetouani¹ Institut des Systèmes Intelligents et de Robotique¹ 1<mark>5</mark>' March 4, 2016

Conclusions

- Modeling and exploiting interpersonal interaction dynamics for individual characterization
- What are the good representation(s) of social signals?
- Nature of signals: discrete, events, dynamics, multimodal...
- Learning Interpersonal Human-Robot Interaction during focused tasks
- Scenarios and applications: lack of synchrony, pathology, Human-agent interaction

Thank you for your attention



Questions?

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