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Scope

This interdisciplinary meeting, with focus on the interplay between Nature and Computation, expands the scope of neural computation at the physical level to cope with symbols and knowledge level models of cognitive and social processes. The global purpose is to offer a forum for discussion and exchange of ideas between scientists and engineers from fields such as Electronic Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Knowledge Engineering, Physics, Mathematics, Computation, Artificial Vision, Situated Robotics, Neurophysiology, Cognitive Science, Linguistics and Philosophy, trying to contribute to the answer of two basic questions:

**I: From Computation
to Sciences of Natural.**

What can Physics, Mathematics, Engineering, Computation, Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Knowledge Engineering (KE) contribute to the understanding of Nervous System, Cognitive Processes and Social Behavior? This is the scope of Computational Neuroscience and Cognition, which uses computation to model and improve our understanding of natural phenomena.

**II: From Sciences of Natural
to Computation.**

How can Engineering, Mathematics, Computation, AI and KE find inspiration in the behavior and internal functioning of physical, biological and social systems to conceive, develop and build-up new concepts, materials, mechanisms and algorithms of potential value in real world applications? This is the scope of the new Bionics, known as Bioinspired Engineering and Computation, as well as of Natural Computing.

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PROGRAM OUTLINE

Monday June 10	
morning	<i>Free time</i>
17:00–20:00	<i>Registration at Technical Secretariat desk</i>

Tuesday June 11			
08:45–09:00	Opening Ceremony		
09:00–10:00	Plenary Session I: Prof. Rodolfo Llinás		
10:00–11:00	Room A:	Room B:	Room C:
	Bioinspired Applications I	Probabilistic Reasoning	Computer Vision in Smart Cities
11:00–11:30	Coffee break		
11:30–12:30	Room A:	Room B:	Room C:
	Plasticity & Modeling	CYTED Session I	Evolutionary Methods
12:30–13:30			Bioinspired Apps. II
14:00–	Lunch		
16:00–16:40		CYTED Session II	
16:40–18:00	Room B: (meeting for Ibero-American researchers) Reunión red CYTED CANS (research network)		
	Free time		
20:00–	Welcome reception and cocktail at Congress Venue		

Please, see detailed session contents, and social events in pages 10 through 20.

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Wednesday June 12			
09:00–10:00	<i>Plenary Session II:</i> Prof. Pedro Gómez-Vilda		
10:00–11:00	<i>Plenary Session III:</i> Prof. Rodolfo Llinás		
11:00–11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>		
11:30–13:30	Room A:	Room B:	Room C:
	Quality of Life Technologies	Image Understanding Applications	Web Intelligence meets Neuroscience
14:00–	<i>Lunch</i>		
16:00–17:00	Posters Attending Session		
	<i>Free time</i>		
18:30–	<i>Buses from Hotel to Official Dinner at Puerto de Sóller</i>		

Thursday June 13			
09:00–10:00	<i>Plenary Session IV:</i> Prof. Dario Floreano		
10:00–11:00	Room A:	Room B:	Room C:
	MRI Applications	Cognitive Robots I	Smart Spaces I
11:00–11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>		
11:30–13:30	Room A:	Room B:	Room C:
	AI applied to Medical Aid	Cognitive Robots II	Smart Spaces II
13:30–13:40	<i>Closing Ceremony</i>		
afternoon	<i>Free time</i>		

Friday June 14	
09:00–13:00	<i>Reserved only for special working groups meetings</i>
afternoon	<i>Free time</i>

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- Session: Plenary I June, 11. 09:00–10:00 Room: A
“Invited speaker Prof. Rodolfo Llinás”
- Session: **Bioinspired Applications I** June, 11. 10:00–11:00 Room: A
 Moderator: Guido Bologna
 - “Modelling Prior and Retrospective Awareness of Actions”
Dilhan Thilakarathne, Jan Treur
 - “Emotional stress detection in contradictory versus self-consistent speech by means of voice biometrical signature”
Victoria Rodellar, Daniel Palacios, Elena Bartolomé, Pedro Gómez-Vilda
 - “Vision Substitution Experiments with See CoLoR”
Guido Bologna, Juan Gomez, Thierry Pun
- Session: Probabilistic Reasoning June, 11. 10:00–11:00 Room: B
“Probabilistic Reasoning”
 Organizer & Chair: Manuel Luque Gallego
 Co-Chair: Manuel Arias Calleja
 - “Fast approximate inference in hybrid Bayesian networks using dynamic discretisation”
Helge Langseth, David Marquez, Martin Neil
 - “An influence diagram for the collaboration in e-learning environments”
Antonio R Anaya, Manuel Luque
 - “A Bayesian model for lexical availability of Chilean High School students in Mathematics”
Pedro Salcedo Lagos, Anita Ferreira Cabrera, Fernanda Barrientos Contreras
- Session: Computer Vision June, 11. 10:00–11:00 Room: C
“Computer Vision in Smart Cities”
 Organizer & Chair: Antonio Sanz
 Co-Chair: Juan José Pantrigo
 - “Onboard vision system for bus lane monitoring”
David Fernández-López, Antonio Sanz, Juan J Pantrigo, María Luisa Delgado, Raúl Cabido
 - “Urban Traffic Surveillance in Smart Cities Using Radar Images”
Jesús Sánchez-Oro, David Fernández-López, Raúl Cabido, Antonio Sanz, Juan J Pantrigo
 - “Vehicle Tracking by Simultaneous Detection and Viewpoint Estimation”
Ricardo Guerrero-Gómez-Olmedo, Roberto Lopez-Sastre, Saturnino Maldonado, Antonio Fernández-Caballero

● Session: **Plasticity & Modeling**

June, 11. 11:30–13:30 Room: A

Moderator: Santi Chillemi

- “A Neural Network Simulation of Spreading Depression”
Daniel Castello Paiva, Diego Andina, Francisco Peláez
- “Artificial Metaplasticity”
Marta de Pablos, Diego Andina
- “Neuron threshold variability in an olfactory model improves odorant discrimination”
Aaron Montero, Ramon Huerta, Francisco B. Rodríguez
- “Contrast enhancement mechanisms in the retinothalamic circuitry”
Rubén Ferreira García, Eduardo Sánchez Vila
- “Neural Spike Activation in Hippocampal Cultures Using Hebbian Electrical Stimulation”
Víctor Lorente, José Manuel Ferrandez, Francisco J. Garrigos Guerrero, Félix de la Paz Lopez, Jose Manuel Cuadra Troncoso, Jose Ramon Alvarez-Sanchez, Eduardo Fernandez
- “Thalamo-cortical network and seizure dynamics: a computational study”
Santi Chillemi

● Session: CYTED I

June, 11. 11:30–13:30 Room: B

“CYTED ”Artificial and Natural Computation for Health” (CANS) research network”

Organizer & Chair: José Manuel Ferrández Vicente

Co-Chair: Félix de la Paz López

- “Heart Sound Segmentation in Noisy Environments”
Santiago Murillo, Cristian Castro Hoyos, German Castellanos-Domínguez
- “Kernel Spectral Clustering for Motion Tracking: A first approach”
Diego Peluffo-Ordoñez, Sergio Garcia-Vega, German Castellanos-Domínguez
- “Multilabeler decision by SVM approach”
Santiago Murillo, Diego Peluffo Ordoñez, Julián David Arias Londoño, German Castellanos-Domínguez
- “New cues in low-frequency of speech for automatic detection of Parkinson’s disease”
Elkyn Alexander Belalcázar-Bolaños, Juan Orozco-Arroyave, Julián David Arias-Londoño, Jesús Francisco Vargas Bonilla, German Castellanos-Domínguez, Elmar Nöth
- “Computer-Aided Detection of Microcalcifications in Digital Mammograms to Support Early Diagnosis of...”
Nayid Triana, Alexander Cerquera
- “Influence of interactions between virtual channels in cochlear implants”
Ernesto A. Martínez-Rams, Vicente Garceran-Hernandez

- Session: **Evolutionary Methods** June, 11. 11:30–12:30 Room: C
 Moderator: Joost N. Kok
 - “Ant Colony Algorithms for the Dynamic Vehicle Routing Problem with Time Windows”
Barry van Veen, Michael Emmerich, Zhiwei Yang, Thomas Baeck, Joost N. Kok
 - “Pattern Detection in Images using LBP-based Relational Operators”
José María Molina Casado, Enrique J. Carmona Suarez
 - “Cancer stem cell modeling using a cellular automaton”
Ángel Monteagudo, Jose Santos Reyes
- Session: **Bioinspired Applications II** June, 11. 12:30–13:50 Room: C
 Moderator: Xosé R. Fdez-Vidal
 - “A Neural Network approximation of L-MCRS dynamics for Reinforcement Learning experiments”
José Manuel López Guede, Manuel Graña, Jose Antonio Ramon Hernanz, Fernando Oterino
 - “Addressing remitting behavior using an ordinal classi. . .”
Pilar Campoy-Muñoz, Pedro Antonio Gutierrez, Cesar Hervás Martínez
 - “Greedy sparsification WM algorithm for endmember induction in hyper-spectral images”
Ion Marqués, Manuel Graña
 - “Dynamic Saliency from Adaptive Whitening”
Víctor Leborán Álvarez, Antón García-Díaz, Xosé R. Fdez-Vidal, Xose Manuel Pardo
- Session: CYTED II June, 11. 16:00–16:40 Room: B
“CYTED ”Artificial and Natural Computation for Health” (CANS) research network”
 Organizer & Chair: José Manuel Ferrández Vicente
 Co-Chair: Félix de la Paz López
 - “Using Ant Colony Optimization for Edge Detection in Gray Scale Images”
Ricardo Contreras, Maria Pinninghoff, Jaime Ortega
 - “Dealing with bullying through genetic algorithms”
Maria Pinninghoff, Pedro Salcedo Lagos, Ricardo Contreras, Andrea Yáñez, Eduardo Oportus

- Session: Plenary II June, 12. 09:00–10:00 Room: A
“Invited speaker Prof. Pedro Gómez-Vilda”
- Session: Plenary III June, 12. 10:00–11:00 Room: A
“Invited speaker Prof. Rodolfo Llinás”
- Session: QoLTs June, 12. 11:30–13:50 Room: A
“Quality of Life Technologies (QoLTs)”
 Organizer & Chair: Oscar Martinez Mozos
 Co-Chair: José Manuel Ferrandez Vicente
 - “Robot Cognitive Stimulation for the Elderly”
Adriana Tapus, Alexandra-Maria P Vieru
 - “The Intelligent Room for Elderly Care”
Oscar Martinez Mozos, Tokuo Tsuji, Hyunuk Chae, Shunya Kuwahata, Tsutomu Hasegawa, Ken’ichi Morooka, Ryo Kurazume
 - “A Method for Estimating Patient Specific Parameters for Simulation of Tissue Deformation by Finite...”
Ken’ichi Morooka, Shuji Sonoki, Ryo Kurazume, Tsutomu Hasegawa
 - “REEM service robot: how may I help you?”
Luca Marchionni, Jordi Pages, Jordi Adell, Jose Rafael Capriles, Hilarion Tome
 - “Training study approaches for a SVM-based BCI: adaptation to the model vs adaptation to the user”
Enrique Hortal, Eduardo Iáñez, Andrés Úbeda, José M. Azorín, Eduardo Fernandez
 - “Evaluation of a Telepresence Robot for the Elderly. A Spanish Experience”
Javier Gonzalez-Jimenez, Cipriano Galindo, Carlos Gutierrez
 - “Empirical Analysis of a BCI and an EOG Interface to Control a Robot”
Eduardo Iáñez, Andrés Úbeda, Enrique Hortal, José M. Azorín, Eduardo Fernandez

- Session: Image Underst. June, 12. 11:30–13:10 Room: B
“Biomedical and Industrial Image Understanding Applications”
 Organizer & Chair: M^a Consuelo Bastida Jumilla
 Co-Chair: Rosa M^a Menchón Lara

- “Comparison of finite difference and B-spline deformable models in characterization of 3D data” *Rafael Berenguer-Vidal, Rafael Verdú-Monedero, Rosa-María Menchón-Lara, Álvar Legaz-Aparicio*
- “Automatic Evaluation of Carotid Intima-Media Thickness in Ultrasounds using Machine Learning” *Rosa-María Menchón-Lara, M-Consuelo Bastida-Jumilla, Antonio González-López, Jose Luis Sancho-Gomez*
- “Active Contours Tool for the Common Carotid Artery Layers Segmentation in Ultrasound Images” *M-Consuelo Bastida-Jumilla, Rosa-María Menchón-Lara, Juan Morales Sanchez, Rafael Berenguer-Vidal*
- “Early computer aided diagnosis of Parkinson’s disease based on nearest neighbor strategy and striatum activation threshold” *Pablo Padilla, Juan M Gorriz, Javier Ramirez, Diego Salas-Gonzalez, Ignacio Alvarez Illan*
- “Texture Features Based Detection of Parkinson’s Disease on DaTSCAN images” *Francisco Jesús Martínez-Murcia, Juan M Gorriz, Javier Ramirez, Ignacio Alvarez Illan, Carlos G Puntonet*

- Session: Web Int. Neuro. June, 12. 11:30–13:30 Room: C
“Web Intelligence meets Neuroscience”
 Organizer & Chair: Eduardo M. Sánchez Vila
 Co-Chair: Luis Martínez Otero

- “Evaluation of emotions and the user’s brainwaves” *Montero Francisco, Víctor López-Jaquero, Pascual González*
- “Computer stress monitoring through fusion of thermal-infrared-based facial emotion detection and act” *José Carlos Castillo, Juan Serrano-Cuerda, Marina Sokolova, Maria Teresa Lopez Bonal, Antonio Fernández-Caballero*
- “Recommender systems: a case study in the gastronomic domain” *Fernando Sánchez-Vilas, Fabián Pérez Lousame, Eduardo Sánchez Vila*
- “Neural and physiological correlates of choice behavior” *Luis Martínez*
- “Personal Agents for managing social notifications in an e-learning environment” *Miguel Coronado, Felipe Echanique, Carlos A. Iglesias*
- “Mental state signatures in brain signals” *Santiago Canals*

- Session: **Posters attending**
- Chair: José Manuel Ferrández
- Co-Chair: Javier Toledo Moreo

June, 12. 16:00–17:00 Room: P

1. “Modeling the effect of fixational eye movements in natural scenes”
Andrés Olmedo Payá, Antonio Martínez Álvarez, Sergio Cuenca Asensi, José Manuel Ferrandez, Eduardo Fernandez
2. “A Novel Approach for Quantitative Analysis of 3D Phosphenes”
Cristina Soto Sanchez, Andrés Olmedo Payá, Daniel de Santos Sierra, Carlos Agullo Perez, Eduardo Fernandez
3. “Inverse allometry: foundations for a bioinspired LVH-prediction model”
Maria Bonomini, Fernando Ingallina, Valeria Barone, Pedro D. Arini
4. “Cochlear Implant: Transcutaneous Transmission Link with OFDM”
Vicente Garceran-Hernandez, Ernesto A. Martínez-Rams
5. “Deficitary nervous excitability and subjective contraction of time. Time-dispersive model”
Isabel Gonzalo Fonrodona, Miguel A. Porras
6. “Hybrid Tabu Search for Fuzzy Job Shop”
Juan José Palacios, Jorge Puente, Inés González-Rodríguez, Camino Rodríguez Vela
7. “Statistical characteristics of portal images and their influence in noise reduction”
Antonio González-López, María-Consuelo Bastida-Jumilla, Jorge Larrey-Ruiz, Juan Morales Sanchez
8. “Automatic orientation of functional brain images for multiplatform software”
Ignacio Alvarez Illan, Juan M Gorriz, Javier Ramirez, Diego Salas-Gonzalez, Francisco Jesús Martínez-Murcia, Fermin Segovia Roman, Carlos G Puntonet
9. “Solving Number Series with Simple Recurrent Networks”
Stefan Glüge, Andreas Wendemuth
10. “Detection method for phase synchronization in a population of spiking neurons”
Manuel Lopez Martin, Francisco B. Rodríguez
11. “PIR-based motion patterns classification for AmI systems”
Francisco Fernandez-Luque, Juan Zapata, Ramon Ruiz Merino
12. “Motor Imagery Classification for BCI using Common Spatial Patterns and Feature Relevance Analysis”
Luisa Velásquez-Martínez, Andrés Álvarez-Meza, German Castellanos-Dominguez

13. “High-Level Hardware Description of a CNN-based Algorithm for Short Exposure Stellar Images Processing”
Jose Javier Martinez-Alvarez, Francisco J. Garrigos Guerrero, Javier Toledo, Carlos Colodro-Conde, Isidro Villo-Perez, José Manuel Ferrandez
14. “Analysis of Connection Schemes between the ICU and the DPU of the NISP Instrument of the Euclid Miss”
Carlos Colodro-Conde, Rafael Toledo-Moreo, José Javier Díaz-García, Oscar Manuel Tubío-Araujo, Isidro Villo-Perez, Javier Toledo, Jose Javier Martinez-Alvarez, Francisco J. Garrigos Guerrero, José Manuel Ferrandez, Rafael Rebolo
15. “Discriminant Splitting of Regions in Traffic Sign Recognition”
Sergio Lafuente, Roberto López, Saturnino Maldonado, Rafael Martinez Tomas
16. “Detection of Fishes in Turbulent Waters based On Image Analysis”
Alvaro Rodriguez, Juan R. Rabuñal, Maria Bermudez, Jerónimo Puertas
17. “Experimental Platform for Accelerate the Training of ANNs with Genetic Algorithm and Embedded Systems...”
Jorge Fe, R.J. Aliaga, R. Gadea
18. “Segmentation of Weld Regions in Radiographic Images: A Knowledge-based Efficient Solution”
Rafael Vilar, Juan Zapata
19. “Automatic Detection of Facial Landmarks in Images with Different Sources of Variations”
Angel Sanchez, Ana Belen Moreno Diaz, Jose F. Velez
20. “An empirical study of Actor-Critic methods for feedback controllers of ball-screw drivers”
Borja Fernández Gauna, Igor Ansoategui, Ismael Etxeberria-Agiriano, Manuel Graña
21. “Robust Solutions for a Robotic Manipulator Optimization Problem”
Ricardo Soto, Broderick Crawford, Eric Monfroy
22. “On the identification and establishment of topological spatial relations”
Sergio Miguel-Tomé
23. “Automatic ROI selection using SOM modelling in structural Brain MRI”
Andres Ortiz García, Juan M Gorriz, Javier Ramirez, Diego Salas-Gonzalez

- Session: Plenary IV June, 13. 09:00–10:00 Room: A
“Invited speaker Prof. Dario Floreano”
- Session: **MRI Applications** June, 13. 10:00–11:00 Room: A
 Moderator: Manuel Graña
 - “Meta-ensembles of classifiers for Alzheimer’s disease detection using independent ROI features” *Borja Ayerdi, Alexandre M Savio, Manuel Graña*
 - “Results on a Lattice Computing based group analysis of schizophrenic patients on resting state fMRI” *Darya Chyzhyk, Manuel Graña*
 - “Cocaine Dependent Classification on MRI Data extracting Features from Voxel Based Morphometry” *Maite Termenon, Darya Chyzhyk, Manuel Graña, Alberto Barros-loscertales, Cesar Avila*
- Session: Cognitive Robotics I June, 13. 10:00–11:00 Room: B
“Cognitive Robotics”
 Organizer & Chair: Javier de Lope Asiaín
 Co-Chair: Darío Maravall Gómez-Allende
 - “Improved polar scan-matching using an advanced line segmentation algorithm” *Israel Navarro Santosjuanes, Jose Manuel Cuadra Troncoso, Felix de la Paz Lopez, Raúl Arnau Prieto*
 - “Reactive Navigation and Online SLAM in Autonomous Frontier-based Exploration” *Raúl Arnau Prieto, Jose Manuel Cuadra Troncoso, Jose Ramon Alvarez-Sanchez, Israel Navarro Santosjuanes*
 - “Multiscale Dynamic Learning in Cognitive Robotics” *Pilar Caamano, Andres Faina, Francisco Bellas, Richard Duro*
- Session: Smart Spaces I June, 13. 10:00–11:00 Room: C
“Smart Spaces for Health, Safety and Well-being”
 Organizer & Chair: Rafael Martínez Tomás
 Co-Chair: Antonio Fernández-Caballero
 - “A Data Fusion Perspective on Human Motion Analysis including Multiple Camera Applications” *Rodrigo Cilla, Patricio Guisado Miguel Angel, Antonio Berlanga, Jose Manuel Molina Lopez*
 - “Evaluation of a 3D Video Conference System based on Multi-Camera Motion Parallax” *Miguel A. Muñoz, Jonatan Martinez, José Pascual Molina, Pascual González, Antonio Fernández-Caballero*
 - “Abandoned object detection on controlled scenes using Kinect” *Antonio Collazos, David Fernández-López, Antonio Sanz, Juan J Pantrigo, María Luisa Delgado*

- Session: AI Med Aid June, 13. 11:30–13:30 Room: A
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- “Self organised biogeography algorithm for clustering” *Leila Hamdad, Anissa Achab, Amira Boutouchent, Fodil Dahamni, Karima Benatchba*

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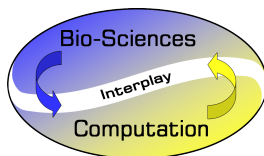
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Personal Agents for managing social notifications in an e-learning environment

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Abstract

This paper presents a Smart Routing Architecture that mediates between teachers and students. The paper discusses the benefits and disadvantages of using Instant Messaging in an e-Learning environment. Based on that, it defines the requirements and proposes a functional architecture that fulfils them. The architecture has been implemented and tested within an e-Learning environment in order to evaluate the interruption impact and its effect over productivity.

1 Introduction

Instant Messaging (IM) is a communication technology that is increasingly being used for interpersonal communication. A recent study showed that 97% of university students are IM users [1]. Some studies [2,3] have shown that the usage of instant messaging can enhance the learning process considerably, especially in students with active learning characteristics [4]. IM offers benefits, such as providing social presence for distance students [5], and enhancing school work by providing a new environment for collaboration [6].

Nevertheless, this communication can bring other drawbacks. University students may be distracted by IM [6] from fulfilling scholarly tasks. Given that learning is a highly focused task, another potential problem is that the cost of the interruption can be high [7], and may lead to losses in productivity [8]. Several works have addressed the problem of how the interruption can be managed in order to minimise their effect while executing a primary task –e.g. studying a subject.

Yet another potential problem is the social accessibility [6], since IM increases people's reach into private time. Given that IM's status is currently a single property, and it cannot be changed depending on the target set of acquaintances, both professors as students can be reluctant to share their status [3,6].

2 Smart Assistant Mediator

In this paper we aim to propose an intelligent architecture for one specific usage of IM in the learning process: finding an immediate answer to a question.

Functional Requirements

We have identified a list of major requirements for an e-learning scenario. The system should improve learners' ability to immediately solve doubts without

overloading teachers –what would be unacceptable. Thus, it must be able to automatically process a significant number of the questions and effectively reduce teachers overload. The system should allow teachers deciding when they want to be contacted, and for sake of privacy, it should not reveal their status. It will manage productivity by reducing undesired interruptions and will provide a suitable time management mechanism. Finally, given that university courses are usually taught by several teachers, the system should distribute the conversations according to the competences of the teachers and their availability.

Functional Architecture

The Smart Assistant Mediator (SMA) is an agent-based intelligent module for managing communications. Based on the requirements identified above, the design follows the mediator design pattern. In this way, communications are managed through the SMA acting as intermediary –concealment and disclosure requirements are met.

Four entities take part: a student that asks questions, the SMA that provides the business logic of the module, chatter-bot system for automatically processing the question in natural language, and teachers that process the question as a backup option.

First, the student should contact the SMA, which she must have already added to her contact list. Then, the SMA should process the incoming communication, which could be carried out using a wide range of communication protocols (e.g. XMPP or SIP/SIMPLE). Next, the SMA determines whether this incoming message is part of an existing ongoing session, in order to route to that conversation. Otherwise, the message is sent to a chatter-bot, that processes it and returns the answer. It is annotated with a confidence factor about the quality of the answer. It measures the certainty the question has been correctly un-

derstood. The system, based on the student's feedback also measures the utility factor that is used, in conjunctions with the confidence factor, to determine the quality of the answer. In case the quality is not good enough, SMA determines whether there is an available teacher with capability to answer the question and selects one. Then, SMA determines which is the most

3 Case Study

We developed a sample use case from the e-learning domain to demonstrate the feasibility of our approach based on the functional requirements mentioned before. The presented case is focused on the e-learning environment with students in programming course that may require help at any time. The scenario consists of several actors: students, teachers, a bot programming expert and one SMA as a mediator that conducts the communication process.



Fig. 1. Use case interface provided to the Student. He is being assisted by the Bot.

Students can talk to the SMA directly through the IM client. As seen in Figure 1, when the bot is able to process the question, the answer is given automatically. The SMA has receives the feedback and it learns whether given solution is helpful or not. When a student asks a question that the bot cannot answer (giving an appropriate solution), the SMA looks for a suitable and available teacher to redirect the conversation with the student. The teacher is inform about the incoming conversation, and after a positive authorization, they can talk through chat.

4 Conclusions

We have proposed a functional architecture that integrates Agent Technology and follows the mediator design pattern. The mediator agent adds value to the intermediation process, it reduces interruption -thus increases productivity- and preserves privacy. Inclusion of a bot system significantly reduces the overload of messages processed by teachers, since students'

suitable moment to send the question in order to minimize the interruption impact. Next, SMA sends the question to the teacher. The teacher sends her answer and optionally adds that answer to the bot knowledge base. Finally, SMA sends the answer –the bot's or the teacher's– to the student.

doubts are usually the same so they only need to be answered once.

The use case shown presents some difficulties in the way it can be evaluated. Determining when a teacher or student is interrupted is a whole issue, and requires a great deal of research. Neuroscience can fulfil this gap, and provide a different perspective on interruption detection and determine the impact on the productivity it may cause. Within this inputs, the SMA may determine when to interrupt, and anticipate its effects over productivity.

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