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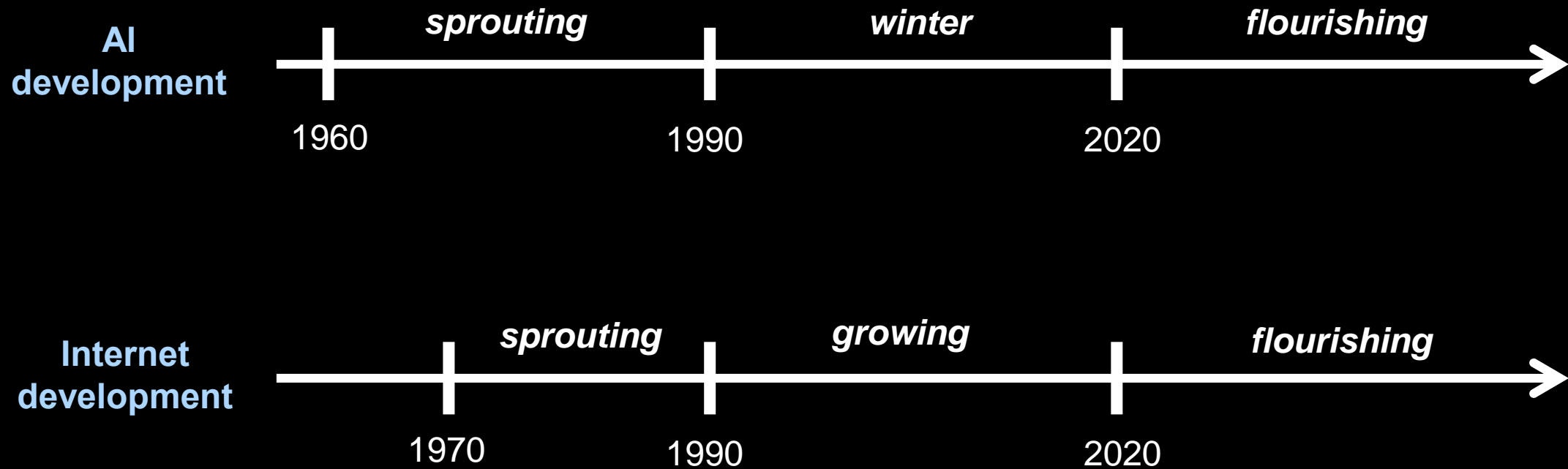
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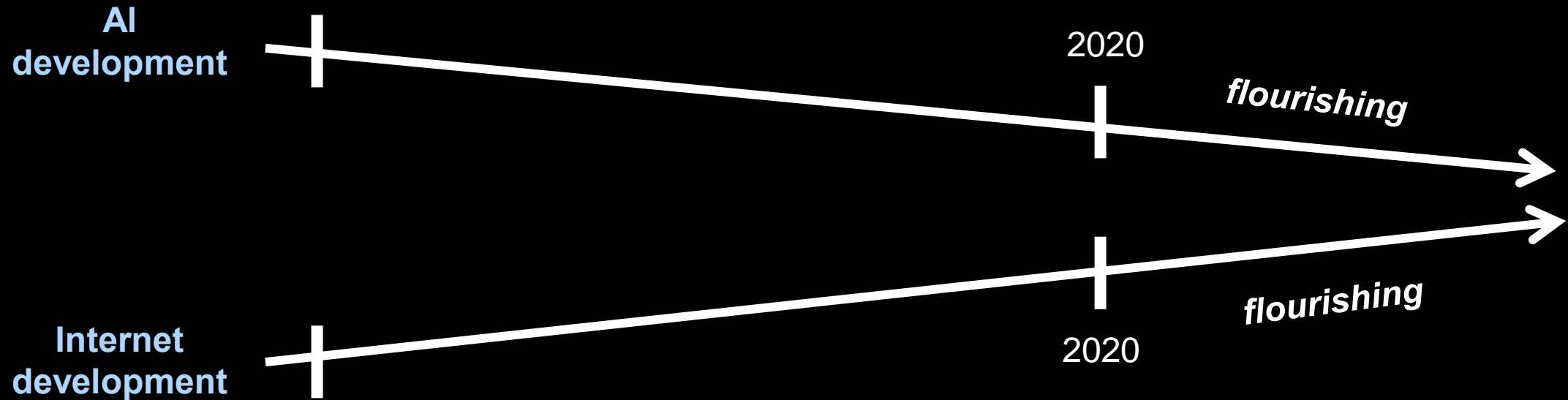
“All technologies are important for education **only if they make our children more Harwell.”**

AI & Internet: 3 development periods



Co-flourishing

Impact comes faster and bigger than we expect



robotics, the Internet of Things, quantum computing, broad chain, and others, **the speed of the world's change** due to technological infusion in the coming decade may be **several times that of the last decade.**

Due to the synergy of the Internet, AI, and other technologies, the speed of the world's change due to technological infusion in the coming decade may double that of the last decade.

However,

Schools are an **exception**.

Currently, schools are experiencing a **slow pace of change** due to 'institutional inertia' and other reasons.

This situation **cannot persist indefinitely**.

De-schooling?

We first ask a question:

Should schools exist?

(because years ago people talked about 'de-schooling.')

Covid-19 broke out in 2020. 10 years before that, I wrote in a paper (Chan 2010)

“Unless all parents one day work from home, unless the network communications bandwidth one day increases to the point where interface-to-interface interactions can supplant face-to-face interactions, **schools will continue to exist.**”

“Even if these two ‘unless’ conditions become true, schools will continue; this is because with so many virtual worlds in which children engage or reside in the future, the school may be the most precious place for nurturing real-world, face-to-face socialization.”

“**Schools will not disappear but change.** When and how schools will change, however, is not clear.”

I'm not a prophet.....

In 2010, I didn't know COVID-19 would break out in 2020.

I didn't know that schools would shut down, that students would have to learn online, and that parents would have to work from home.

But COVID-19 proves one thing: **School must exist!**

And the educational experience during the Covid-19 pandemic has heightened our concern about students' wellbeing of learning.

The four problems

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 - the problem how school is being transformed
3. The *lifelong, personalized curriculum* problem
 - the extension of the Holy Grail problem of ITSs
4. The *global educational goal* problem
 - rethinking the educational goal from the global perspective

Now, this leads
to this problem.....

To tackle this problem,
We need to understand what the world, infused
with digital technology,
will be like and how it might evolve.

That is why we introduce the notion
‘Seamless AI World’.

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“The learning companion is almost there!”

**I murmured to myself
when ChatGPT emerged.**

**What is a learning companion,
and why has everyone been suddenly talking about
technologies like ChatGPT or Generative AI
since 2022?**

Because it is going to pass the Turing Test in various and subtle ways

Digital Resemblance

Intellectual

Emotion

Social Relationship

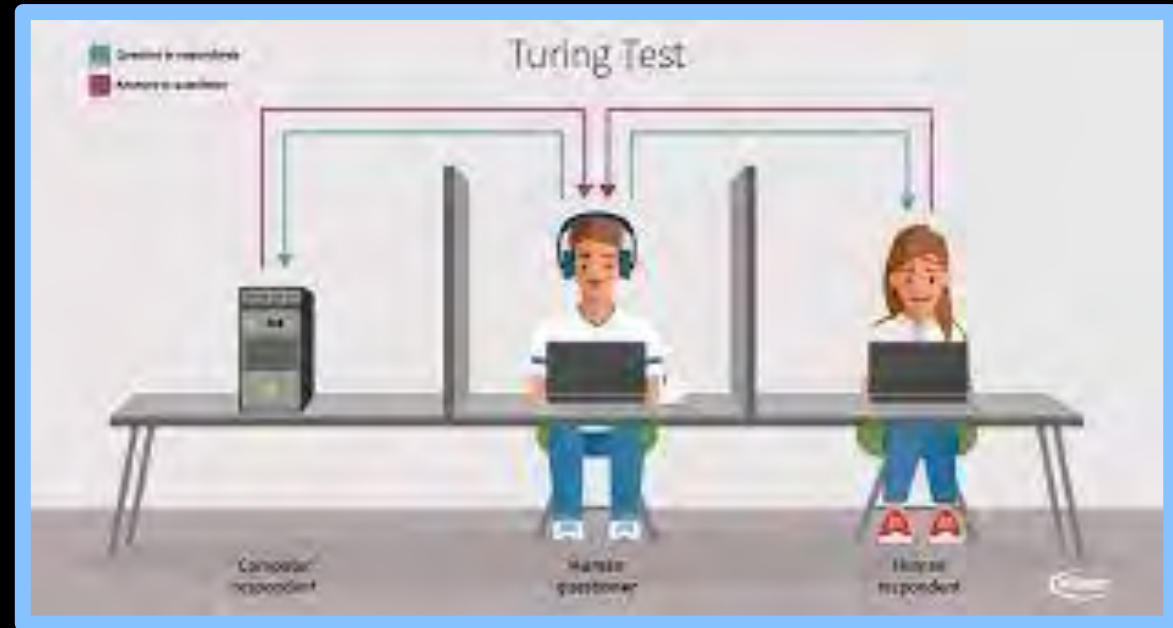
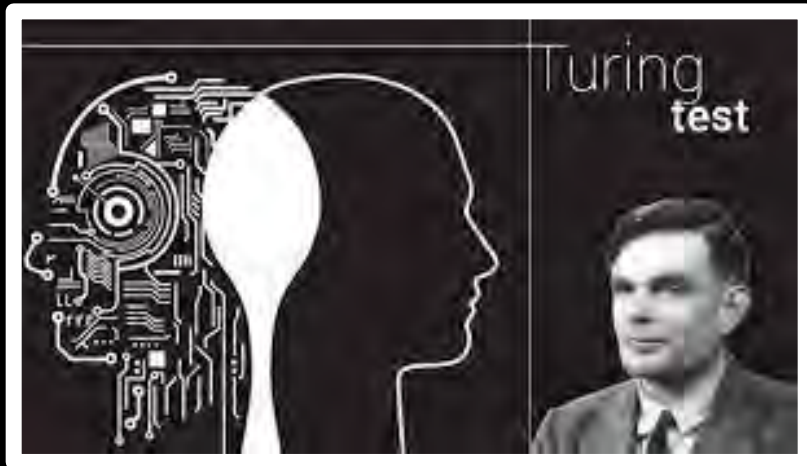
Value System

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We cannot distinguish the AI companion we are interacting is
a real human or artificial human (virtual or robotic)

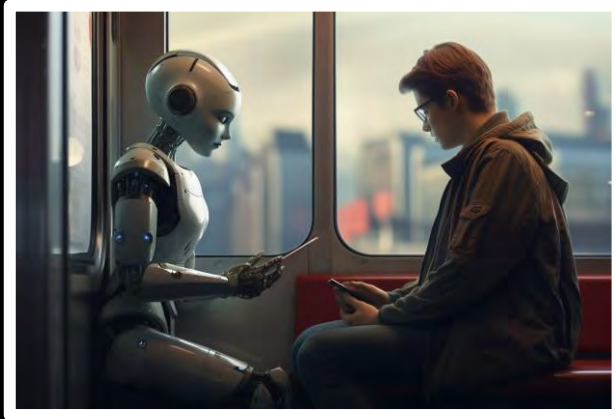
Because the Rise of AI Companions (con't)

Turning Test (1950)

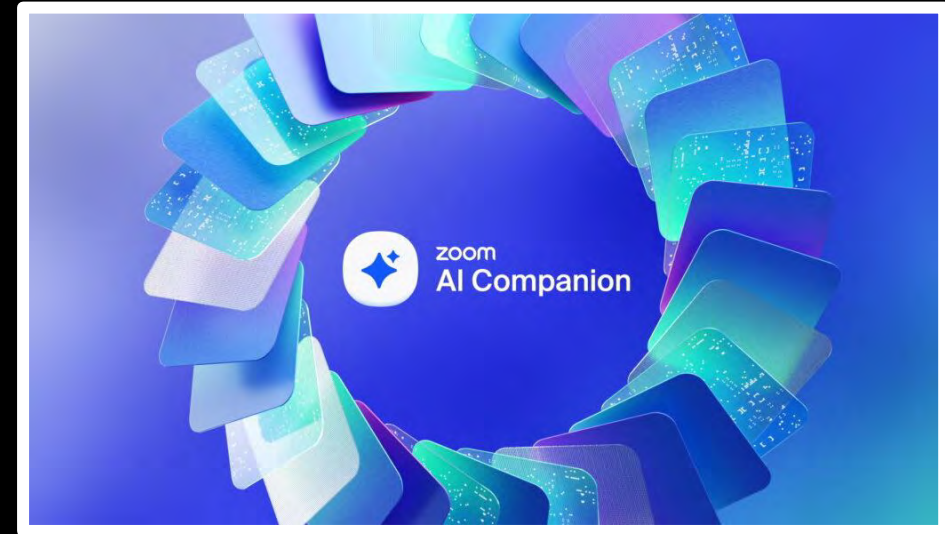


Ping Pong Robot

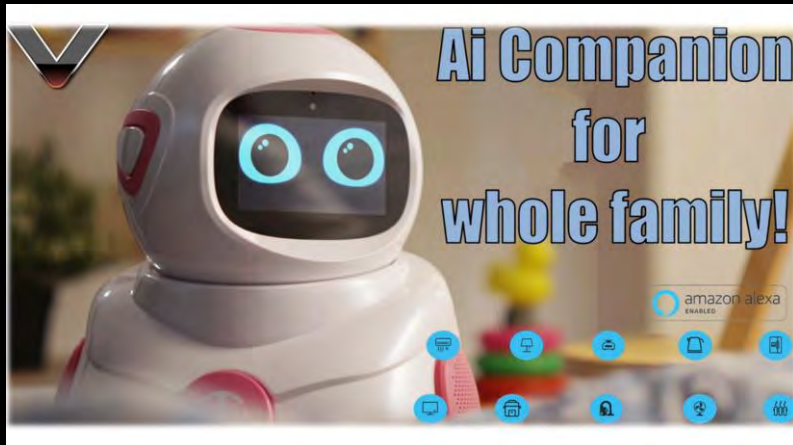
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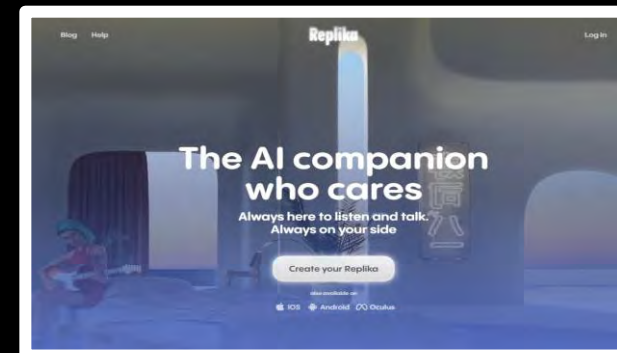
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<https://www.pcguide.com/ai/zoom-ai-companion/>

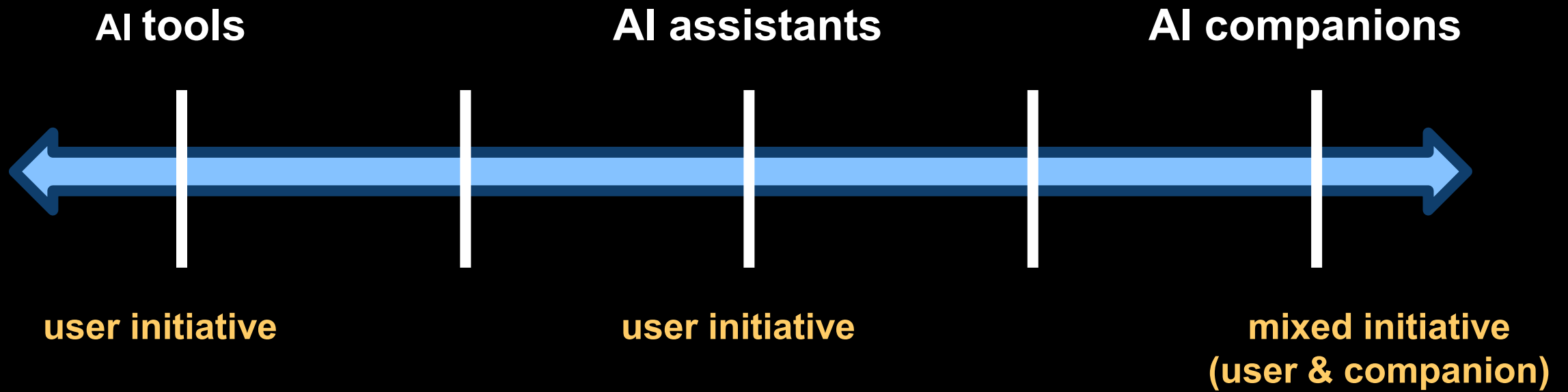


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<https://neurosciencenews.com/ai-robot-loneliness-23616/>

A spectrum of **‘AI as a tool’ to ‘AI as an artificial human companion’**



How does AI empower learning?

“The further backward you look,
the further forward you can see.”

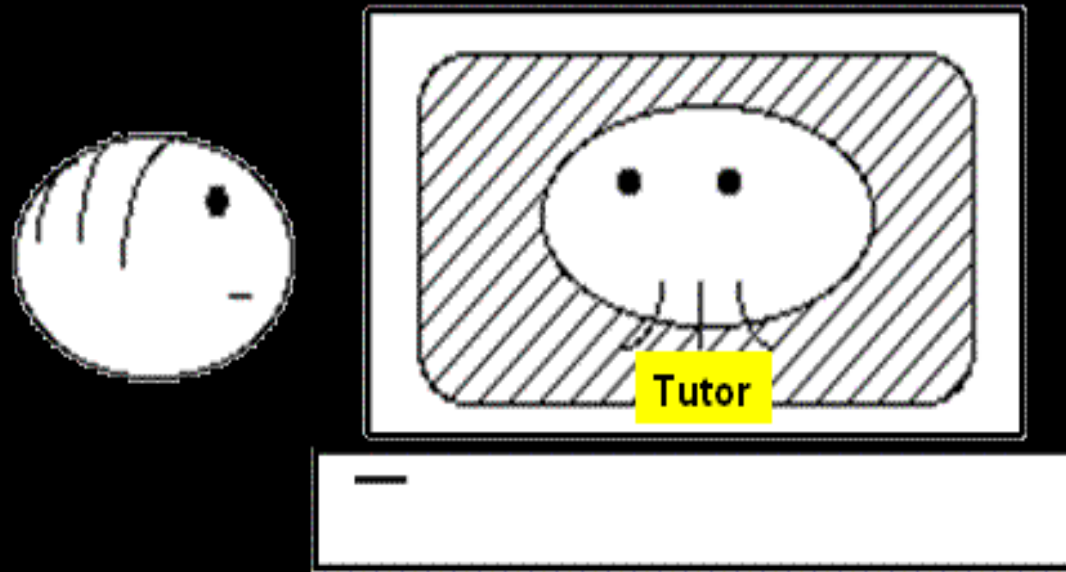
Winston Churchill



Turing Test for education?

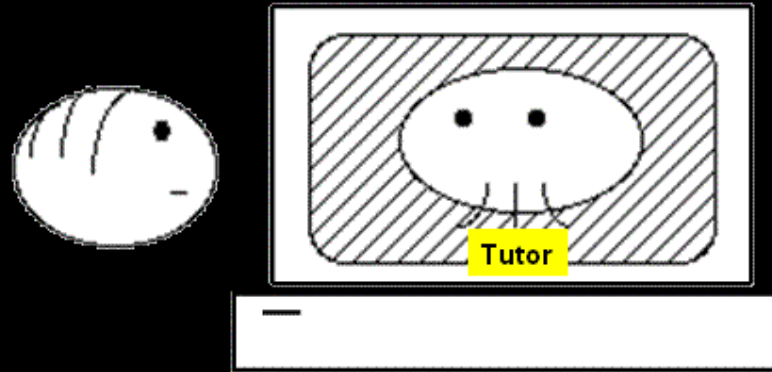
- Resembling human tutor?
- Intelligent Tutoring Systems (ITSs)
- **SCHOLAR: The FIRST ITS**
 - Developed by Jaime R. Carbonell in 1970
- **SCHOLAR: The FIRST Chatbot for education**
- **AI in CAI: An artificial-intelligence approach to computer-assisted instruction”**
 - ICAI

Turing Test in education domain



Intelligent Tutoring System (ITS)
(Carbonell, 1970)

WHY intelligent tutoring systems?



Bloom's 2-sigma performance problem



SCHOLAR (1970)

The first chatbot for education

Student initiated interactions

HOW MANY SQUARE MILES ARE THERE IN BRAZIL?

THE AREA IS APPROX 3600000. SQUARE MILES.

WHAT IS THE PRINCIPAL RELIGION IN URUGUAY?

THE PRINCIPAL RELIGION IN URUGUAY IS CATHOLICISM.

*

WELL, HAVE YOU MADE UP YOUR MIND?

THE PRINCIPAL RELIGION IN PERU IS ----.

I'M AFRAID I CAN'T ANSWER THAT.

IS IT TRUE THAT THE AREA OF URUGUAY IS 700000?

THAT'S ABOUT RIGHT. THE EXACT ANSWER IS 79000.

COULD YOU PLEASE INDICATE THE PRINCIPAL RIVERS IN ARGENTINA?

I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOUR WORD "INDICATE". I'LL GIVE YOU ANOTHER CHANCE.

THE PRINCIPAL RIVERS IN ARGENTINA ARE ----.

THE PRINCIPAL RIVERS IN ARGENTINA ARE THE RIO DE LA PLATA, THE PARANA, THE URUGUAY RIVER, THE SALADO, THE PARAGUAY RIVER, AND THE PILCOMAYO.

Mixed initiative interactions

MIXINIT

DO YOU WANT TO CHANGE THE GENERAL MODE OF THE INTERACTION TO MIXINIT?
PLEASE ANSWER Y OR N.

*Y**

OK, MR. JONES. LET'S GO AHEAD.

WHERE IS BRAZIL?

PLEASE HURRY UP. I'M WAITING FOR YOUR STATEMENT.

IN SOUTHAMERICA

I BELIEVE YOU MEANT TO TYPE "SOUTH AMERICA".

THAT'S RIGHT.

Socratic Dialogue

Knowledge Representation of the domain knowledge in Scholar

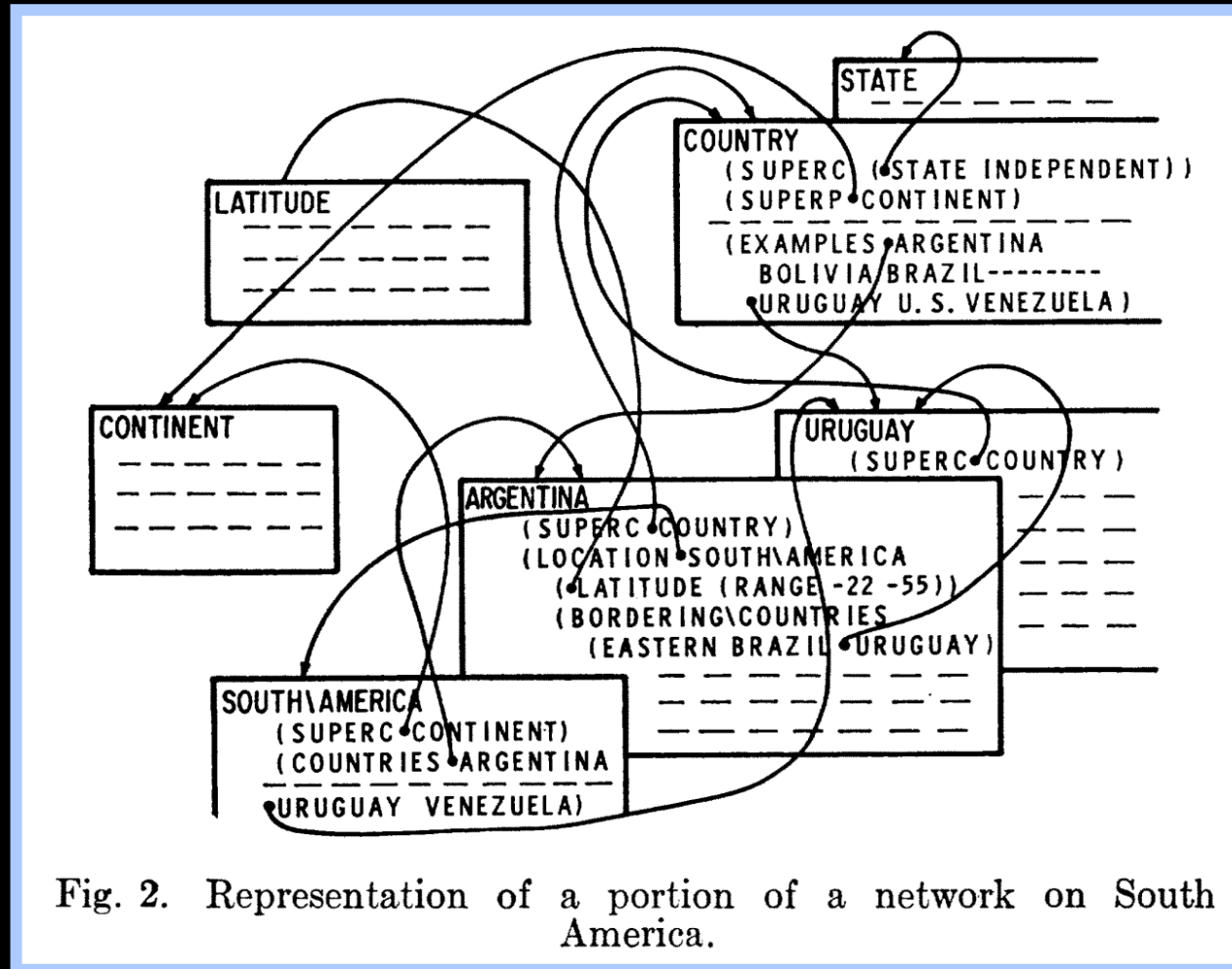
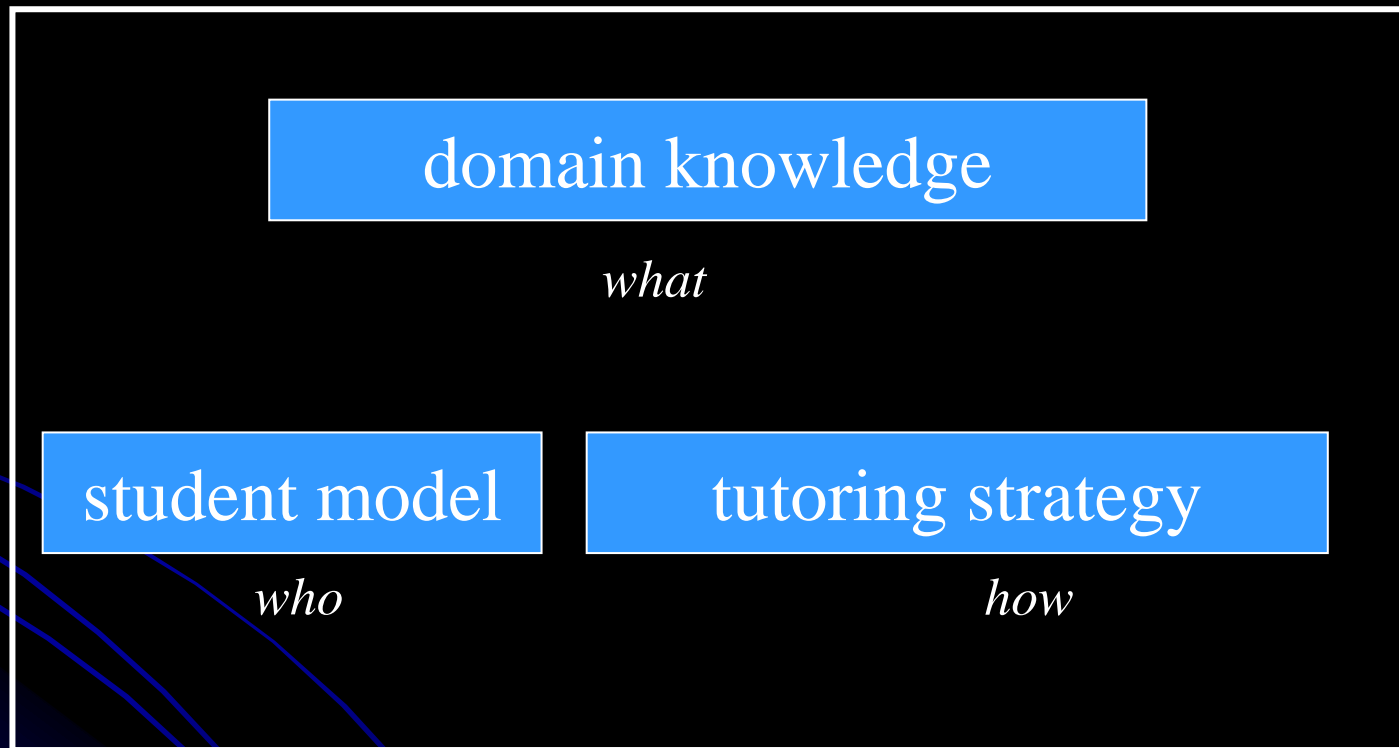


Fig. 2. Representation of a portion of a network on South America.

Classical intelligent tutoring systems (ITSs) (Self, 1974)



The earliest chatbot?



Joseph Weizenbaum (1966)

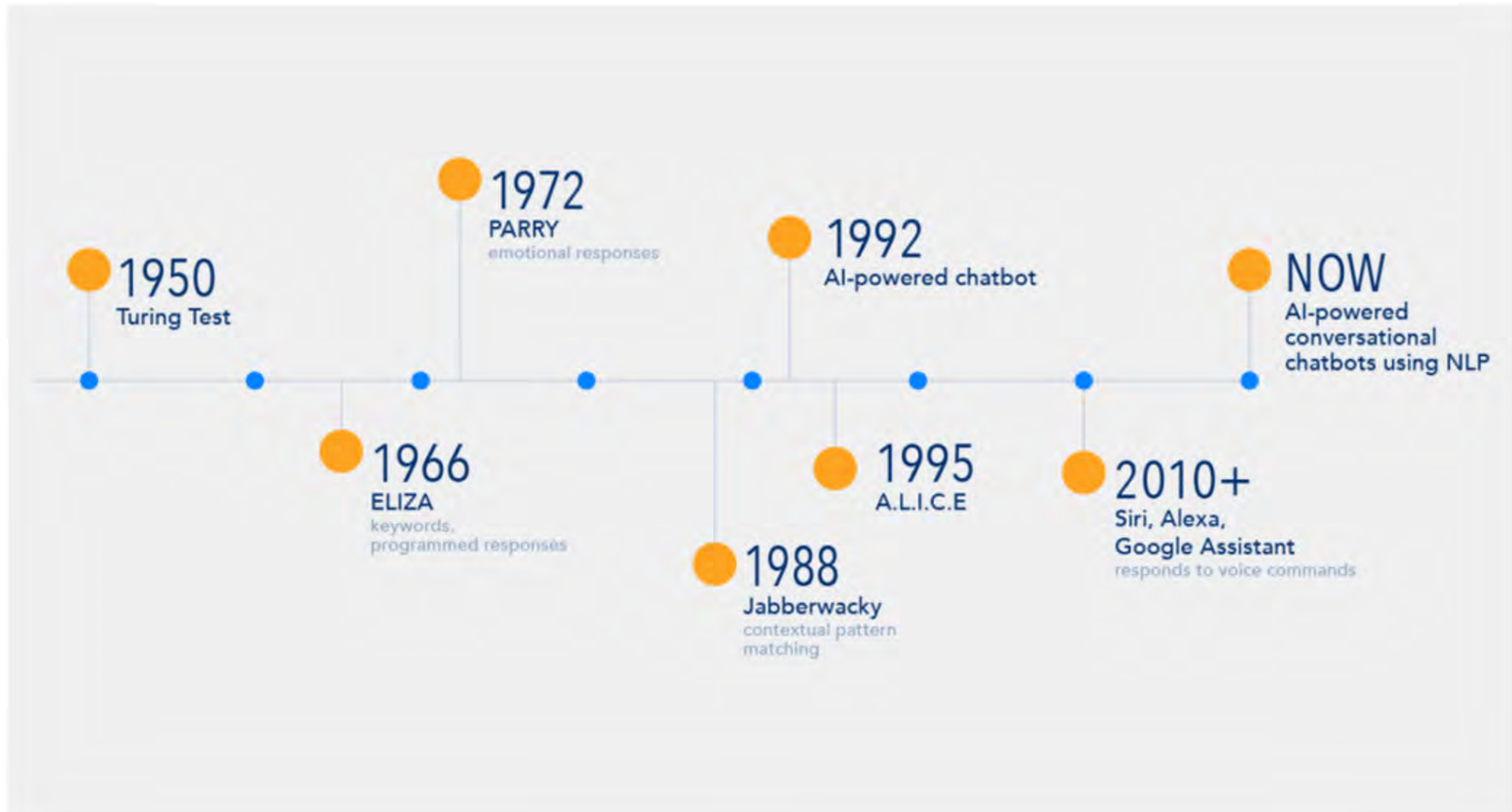
Eliza

An early natural language processing computer program at MIT

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Welcome to
EEEEEE LL      IIII ZZZZZZ AAAAA
EE      LL      II      ZZ  AA  AA
EEEEEE LL      II      ZZZ  AAAAAAA
EE      LL      II      ZZ  AA  AA
EEEEEE LLLLLL IIII ZZZZZZ AA  AA

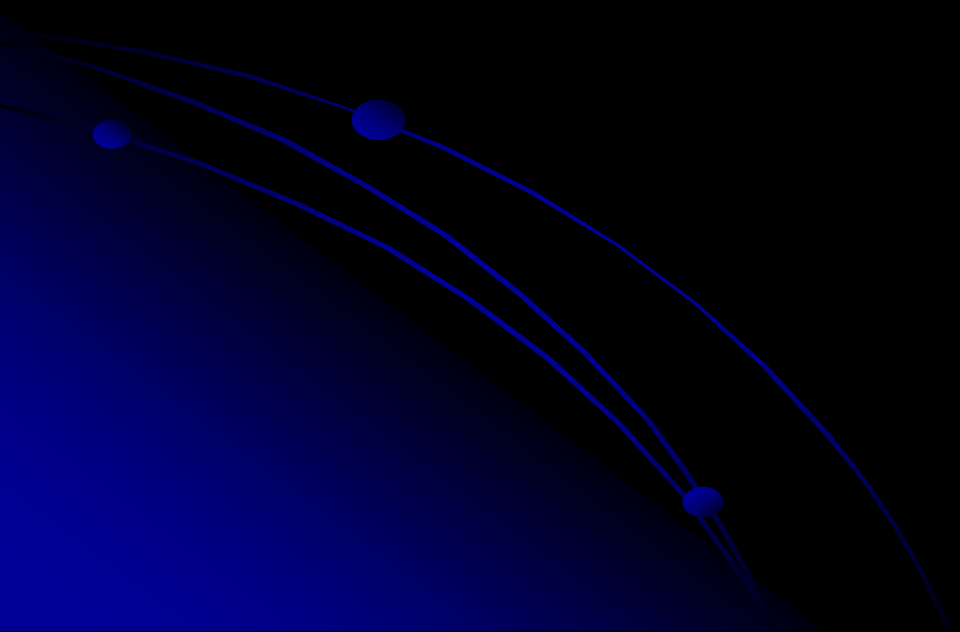
Eliza is a sock Rogerian psychotherapist.
The original program was described by Joseph Weizenbaum in 1966.
This implementation by Norbert Landstainer 2005.

ELIZA: Is something troubling you ?
YOU:  Men are all alike.
ELIZA: What is the connection, do you suppose ?
YOU:  They're always bugging us about something or other.
ELIZA: Can you think of a specific example ?
YOU:  Well, my boyfriend made me come here.
ELIZA: Is it important to you that your boyfriend made you come here ?
YOU:  He says I'm depressed much of the time.
ELIZA: I am sorry to hear that you are depressed.
YOU:  It's true, I am unhappy.
ELIZA: Can you explain what made you unhappy ?
YOU:
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<https://www.appypie.com/blog/what-is-a-chatbot>

The origin of Artificial Learning Companions (ALCs)

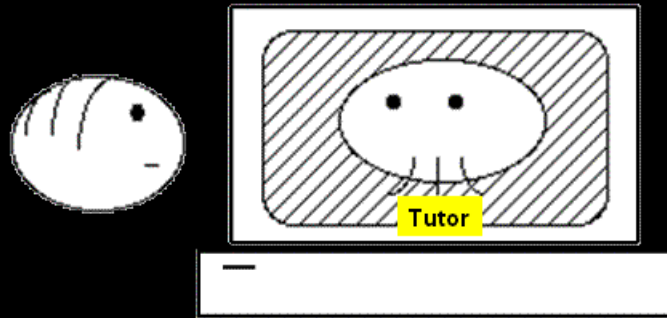


Learning with the Prince

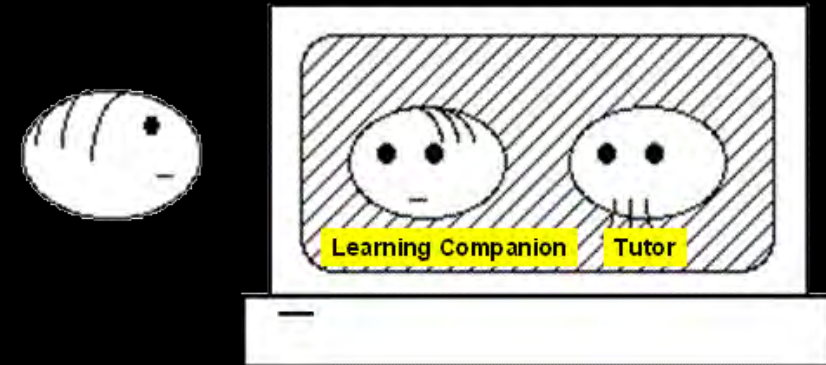
- It is assumed that the prince will learn better when he studies with his classmate (in a social context)
- Supported by zone of proximal development (ZPD)



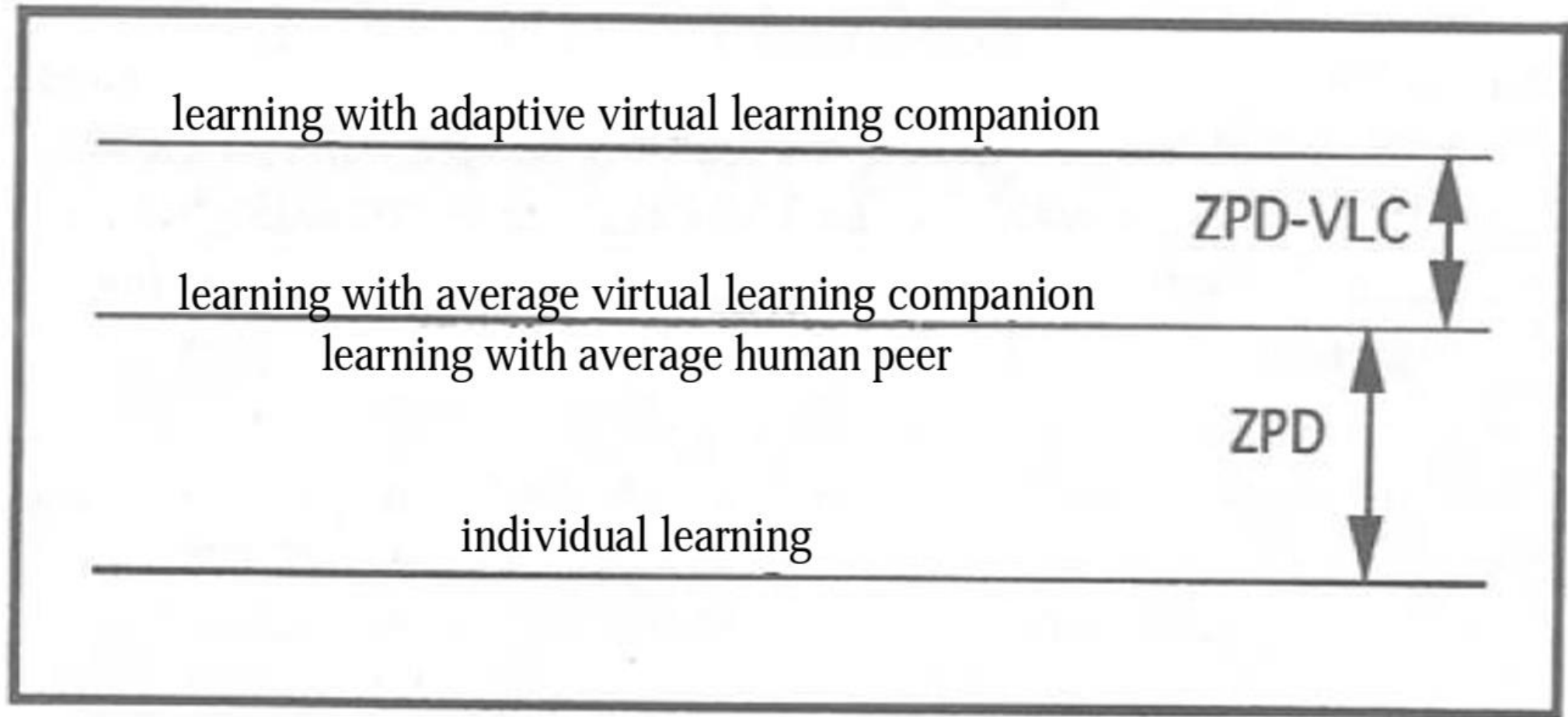
Vygotsky's socio-cultural theory



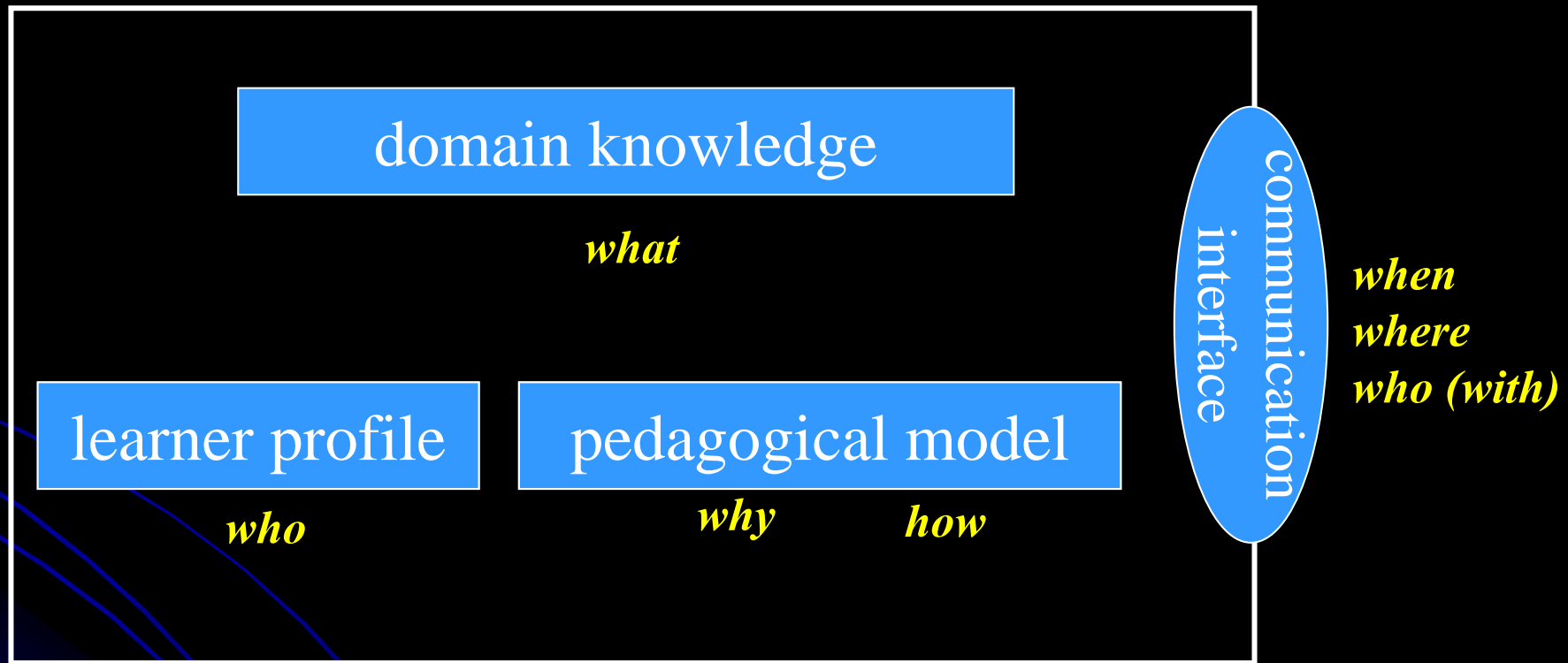
**Intelligent Tutoring System (ITS)
(Carbonell, 1970)**



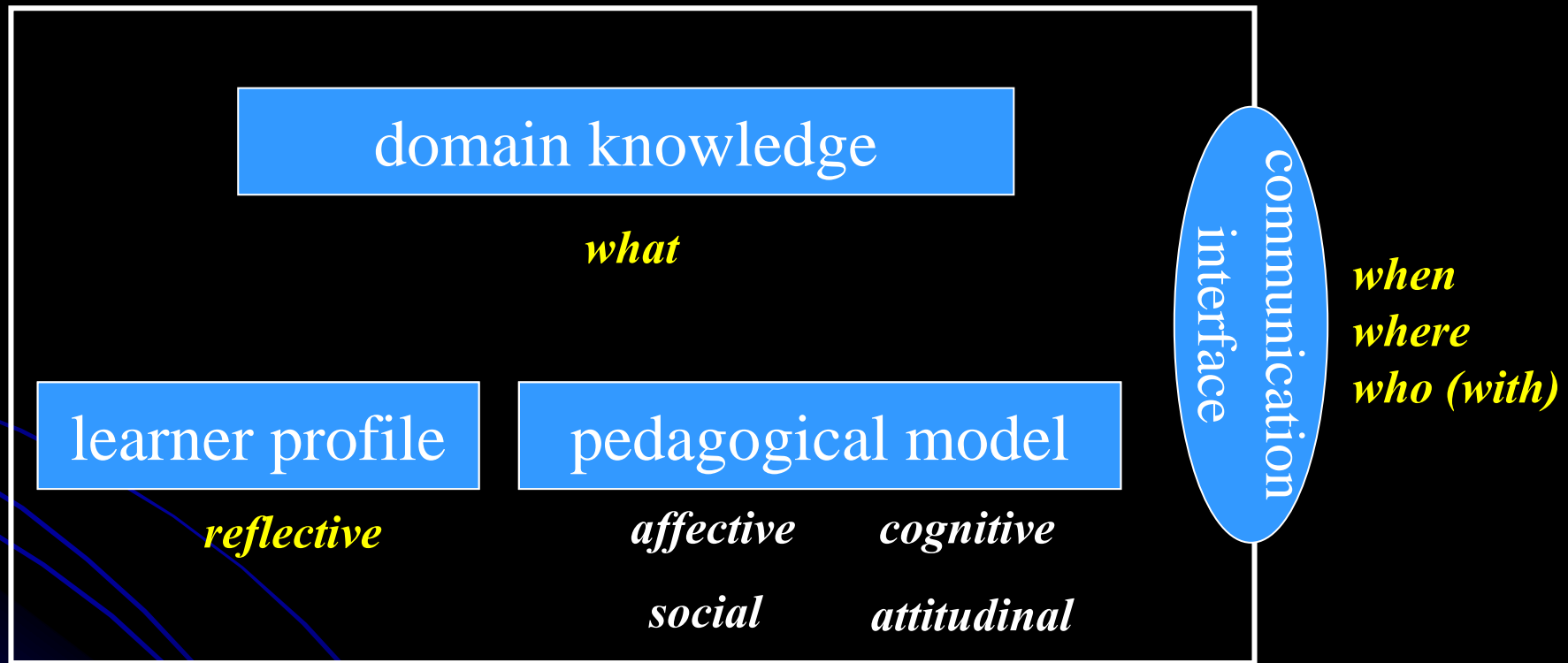
**Learning Companion System
(Chan & Baskin, 1988)**



Zone of proximal development with respect to VLC (Chan, 1995)



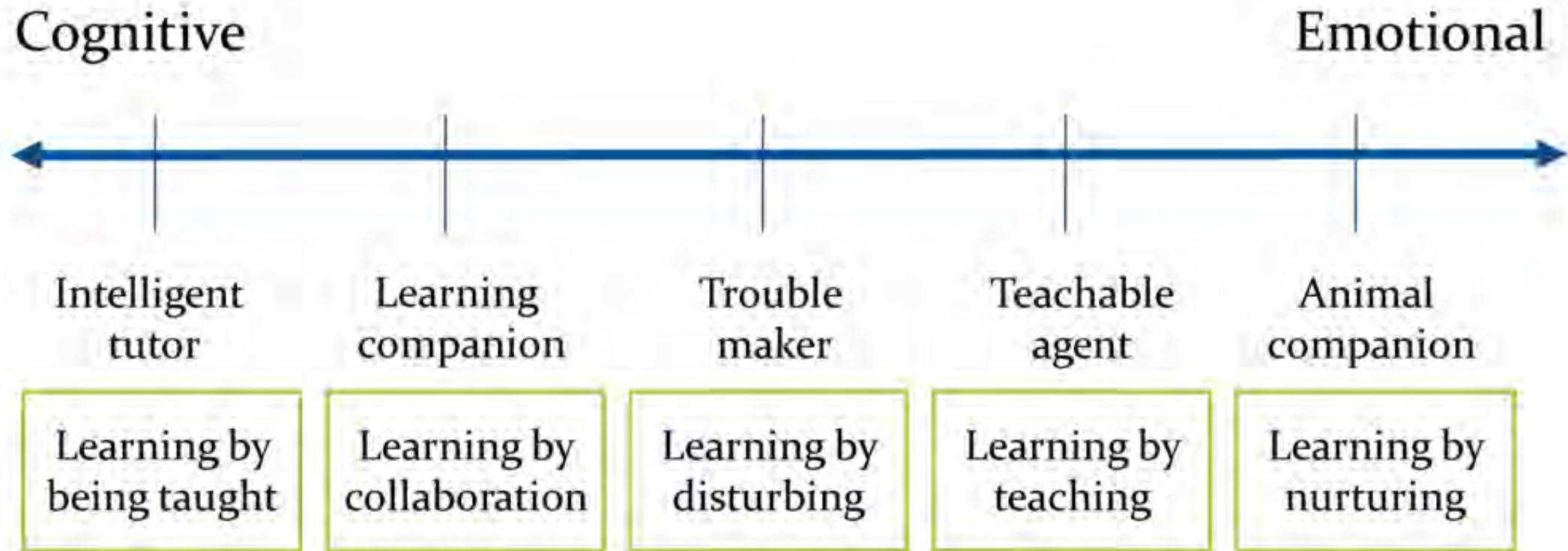
Learning beyond knowledge acquisition



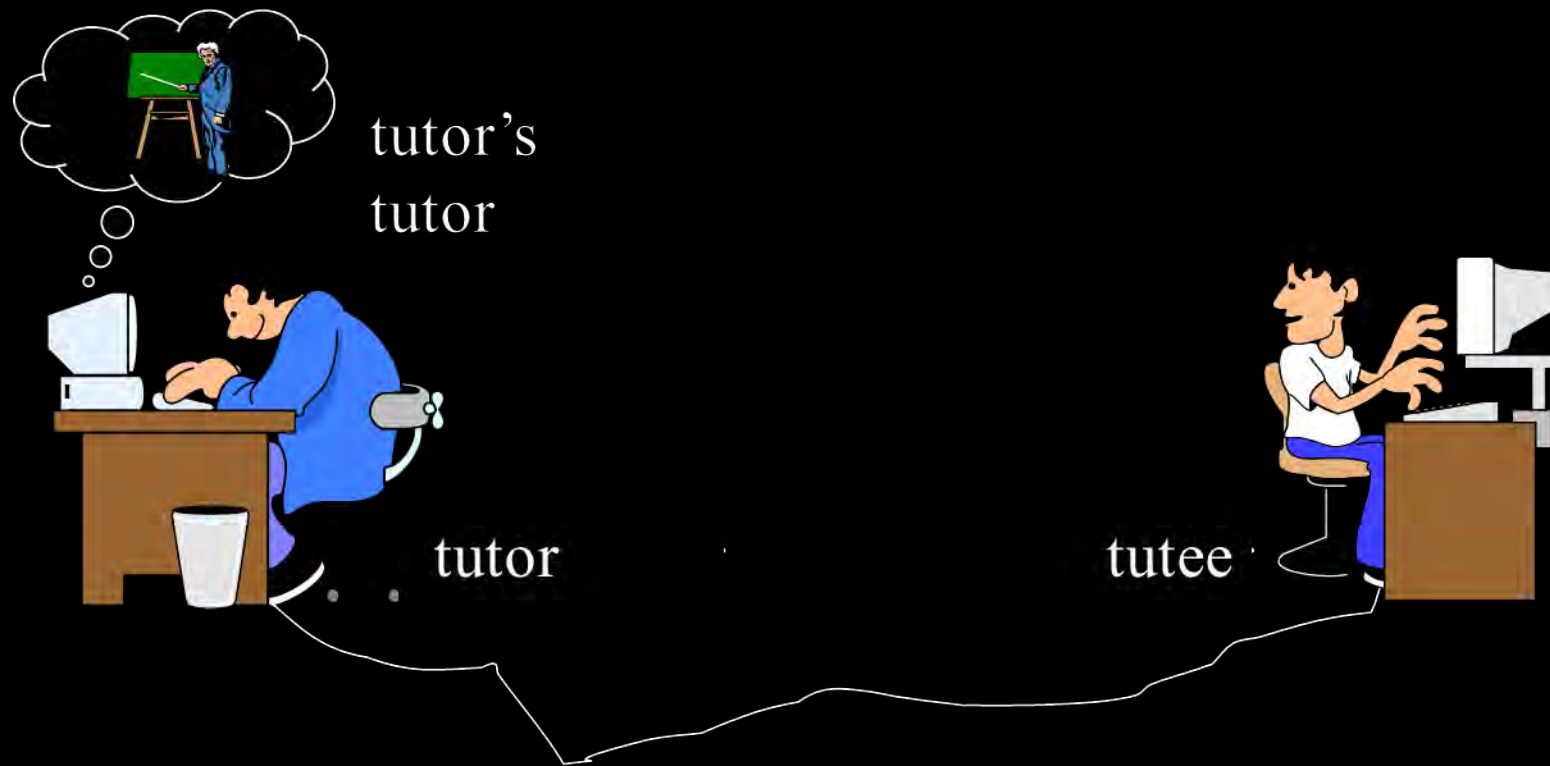
Expected outcomes of ALCs

1. Cognitive
2. Meta-Cognitive
3. Affective
4. Behavioral
5. Social
6. Well-being?

Spectrum of ALC roles & strategies (Chou, et al., 2024)



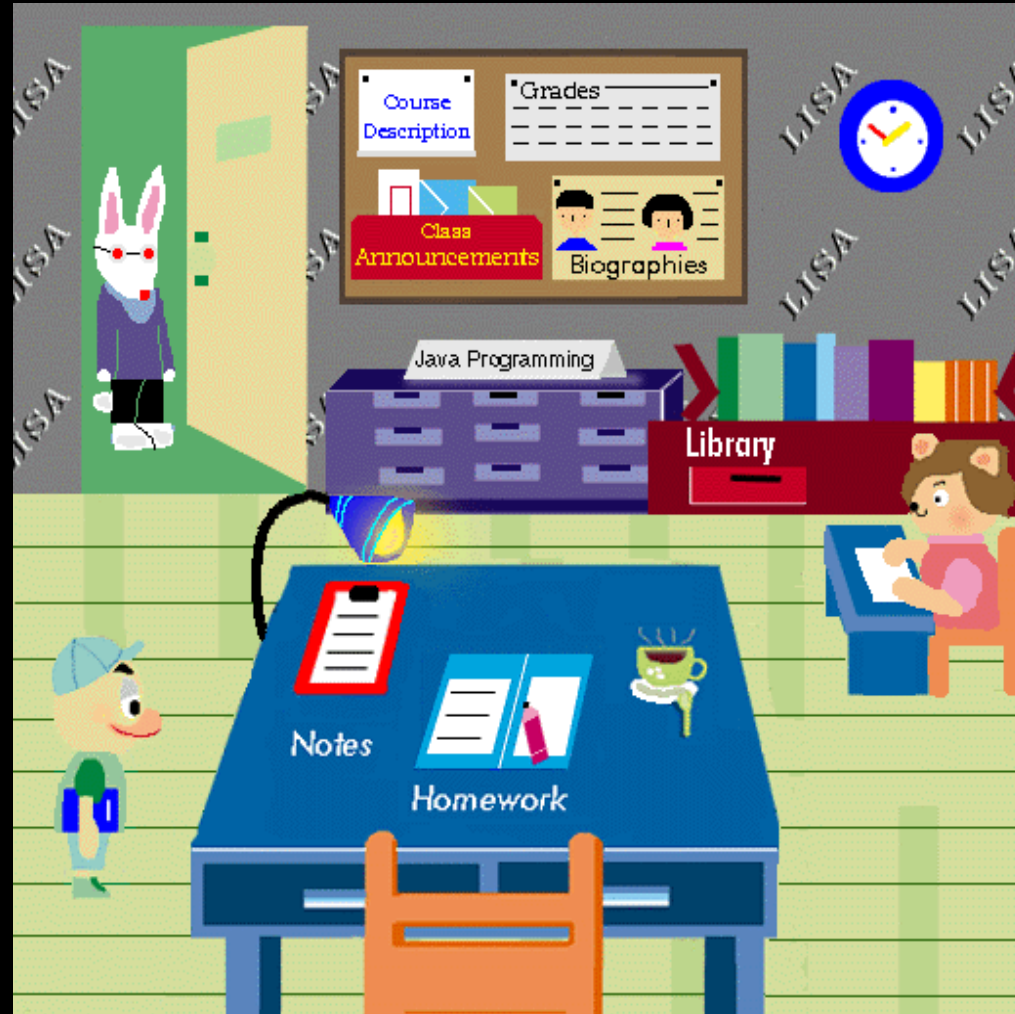
ALC in networked learning (1989...)



(Chan, GCCCE1997)

**teacher's
secretary**

**learning
companion**



**student's
secretary**

My animal companions

Disneyfying the learner

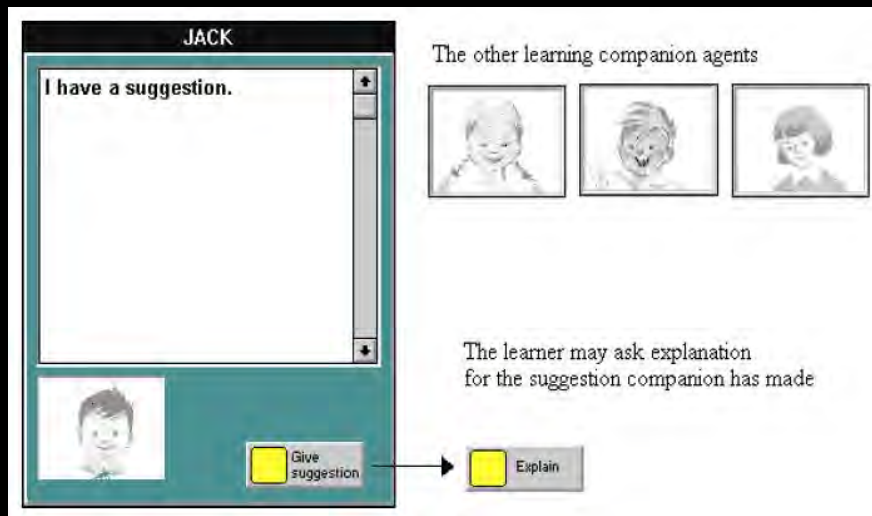


Artificial Learning Companion (robotic)

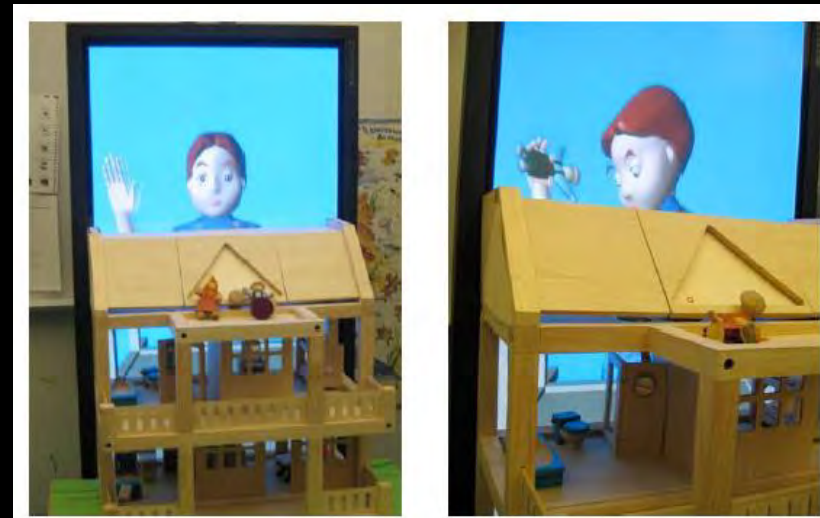
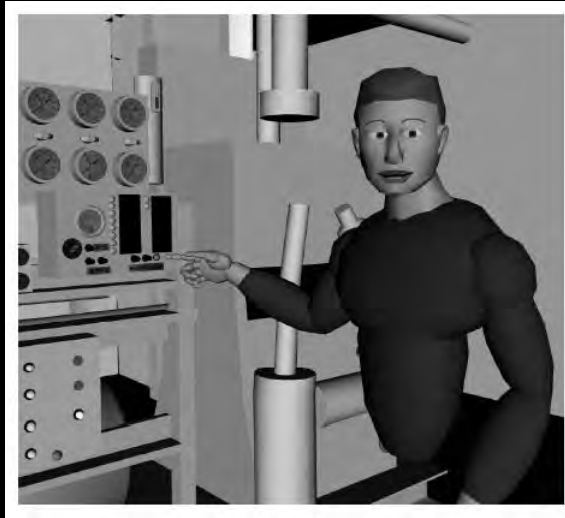
(Shu, et al, 2007)



Artificial Learning Companions (virtual)

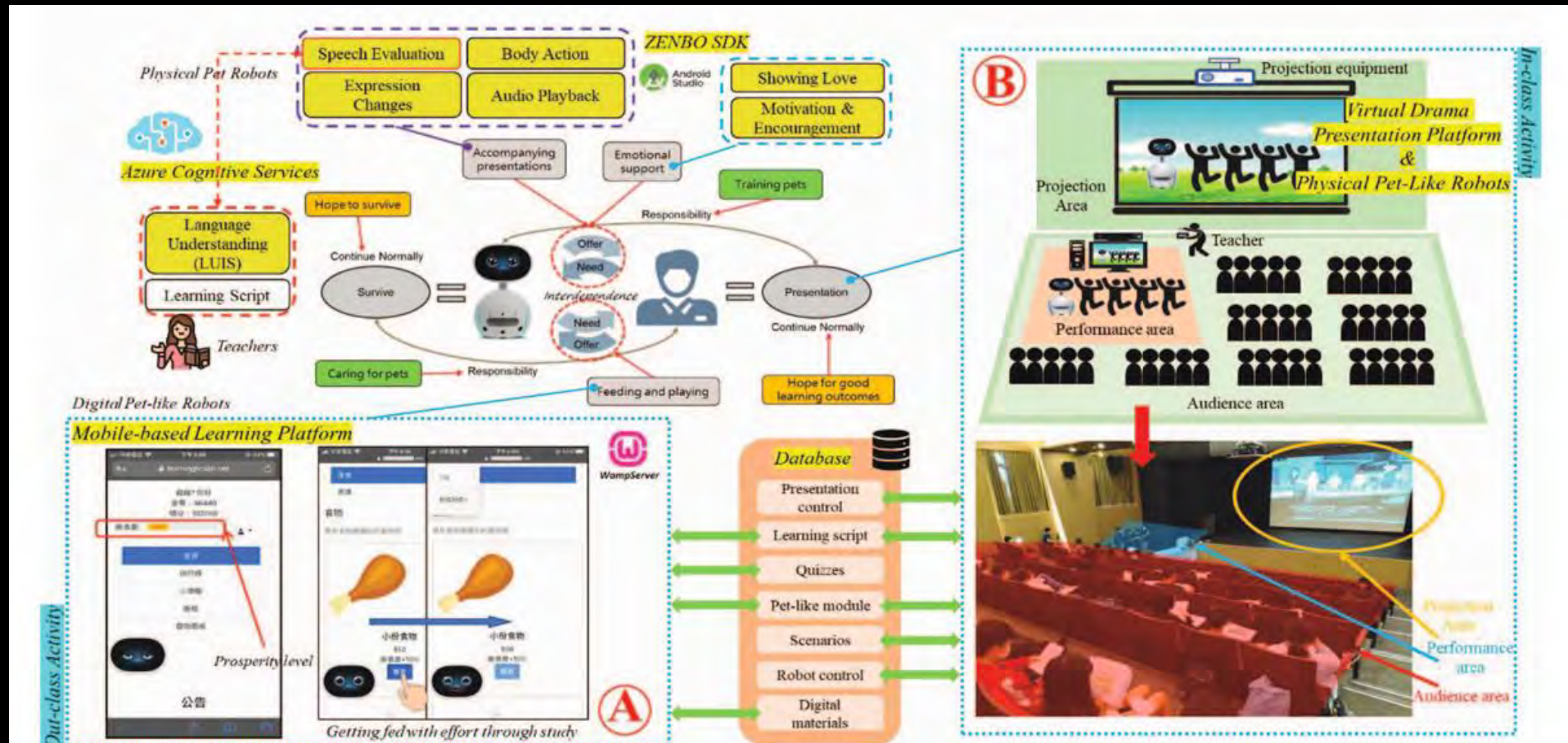


Artificial Learning Companions (virtual)



Artificial Learning Companions (robotic)

(G. D. Chen & colleagues, 2006, 2010, 2022)



Artificial Learning Companions (robotic)

(Cheng, Wang, Yang, Yang, & Chen, 2021)

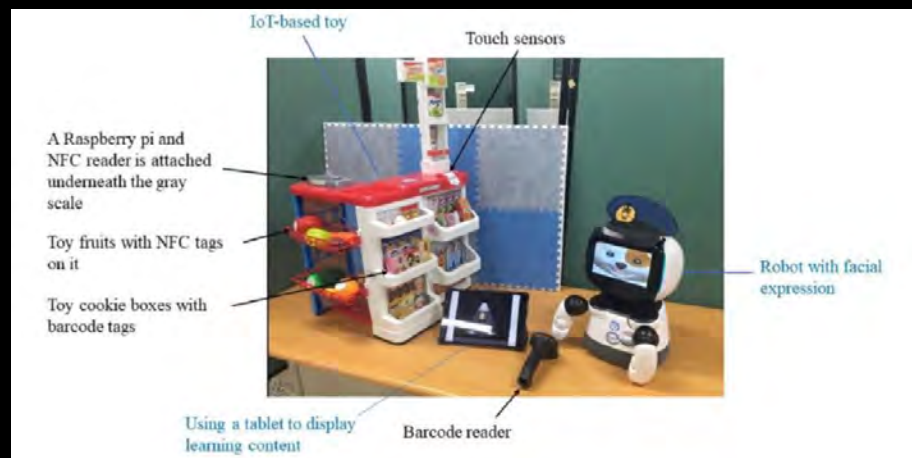


Figure 6. Modifications made in the design of IoT-based toys across different versions.



Lifelong AI learning companion

(Chan, 2000; Chan, et. al., 2001; Chou & Chan, 2003)

baby: learning companion as a magic cradle



small kid: learning companion as a toy



pupil: learning companion as a pet



teenager: learning companion as a peer



adult: learning companion as a mentor



elder: learning companion as a pet



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(Switch the order, considering its pressing need)

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*Lifelong artificial
learning companions
partially respond
to this problem*

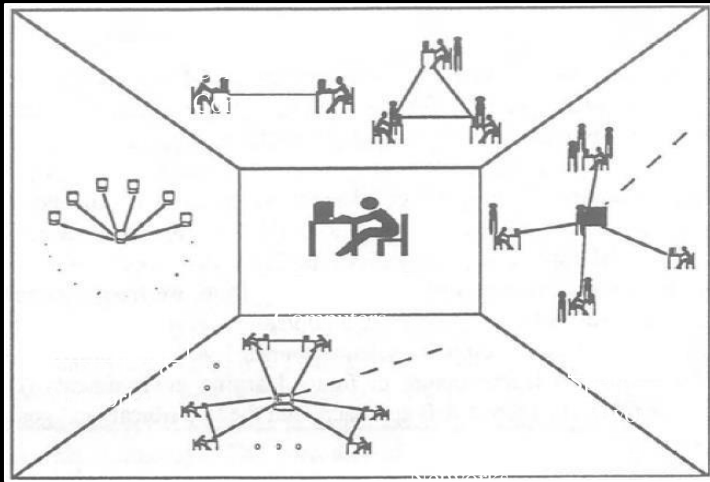
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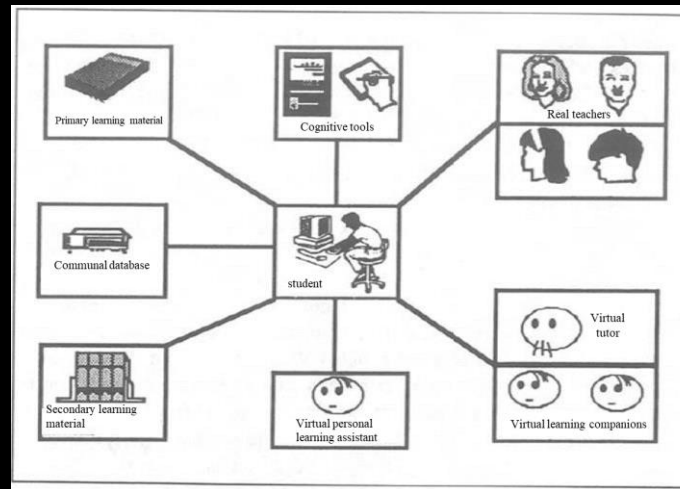
Back to the keynote at AIED'95

“Learning Companion Systems, Social Learning Systems, and the **Global Social Learning Club**” (Chan, 1996)

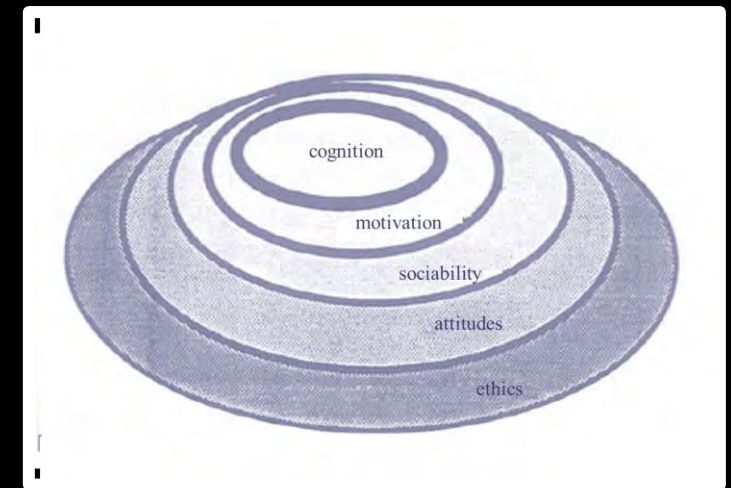
Social Learning System



Networked Social Learning Environment



Learning Beyond Cognition
Five Educational Goals



*cognition, motivation,
sociability, attitude, ethics*

**Stimulated by our networked learning research
that began in the late 80's, I had a dream about
‘Global Social Learning Club’**

*(As a Program Co-Chair,
I established the theme of the ICCE1998 in Beijing as ‘Future of Global Education’)*

The logo for Asia City (亞卓市) features a stylized globe with a city skyline silhouette in the center. A red flag is positioned at the top right of the globe. The text "亞卓市" is prominently displayed in the foreground, rendered in a bold, white, stylized font with a black outline. The entire logo is set against a white background with a blue border.



A young boy with dark hair and glasses is speaking into a red microphone. He is wearing a white shirt and a red lanyard. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

虛擬學校開課比賽頒獎 十五名獲獎教師多是學生 康康才國三 學生百餘人都比他大

創舉。這次開課比賽主要以基礎資訊科技的應用為主，包括電腦入門、網路網路應用、網頁製作等，根據開課老師的年齡，細分為青少年組與成人組，上課的學生則沒有年齡的限制，為了讓其他優秀課程也沒有參賽，還開設「不限定科目創新教學課程」組，使開課內容更多元。

全民開課比賽評審、清華大學教授楊淑敏表示，開課比賽的年齡範圍從十歲到六十歲不等，在網路教室授課設計與應用的名師，呂慶豪說，現實生活中他要念書、還要上網路當老師，很辛苦；網路上一百多位學生的年紀都比他大，大家都上網路互動，沒有人因為他是小孩子而不向他請教。

在網路世界裡，像康康這樣「學生兼老師」的不少。東江大學的「校友」黃一

與老師，與學生的年齡相差甚至到五十歲以上的人都有，職業上包括學生、地檢署觀摩生、醫院心理師等，最後得獎的十五位開課老師，多數仍在學，白天是學生，晚上搖身一變成網路名師，他們在網路上應用心理測驗，有獎徵答等許多不同於傳統教室教學法，吸引學生追隨他們學習。

呂康慶在網路上暱稱「小康康」，年僅十三歲，卻是「亞卓市全民學校」最年輕的電腦老師，學生的年齡都比他大。這次比賽他獲選為青少年電腦組的甲等獎。小康康受到就讀資訊系的家教老師影響，對電腦興趣濃厚，國小時就常窺兒童資訊小櫥櫃，長大想做法師設計師。

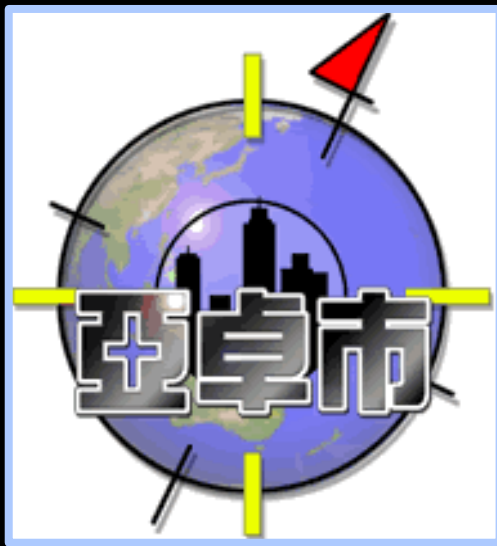
康康說，他會到亞卓市開課，主要是因為有一次他能參加科展，評審老師認為他的年齡不可以參加做出那麼好的作品，認定他作假，因而落選。康康不服氣，因此在全臺各大學外文系四年級間志峰，不僅以「輕鬆學會微網米」在資訊教學科獲獎，得獎的「金字塔之謎」課程也在不限定科目，是唯「雙科得獎的網路教師。

亞卓市宣布，第二屆全民學校開課比賽訂今年十月十五日至十一月一日進行，歡迎有興趣的學生或老師加入全民開課行列。

科訊 一九九九年九月一日



，課開校學民全市卓亞在豪康呂的歲三十僅年
到得組年少青列系用應技科訊資礎基課開民全在
影攝／松若李者記。獎等甲



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網路教學 應不排斥面對面溝通

冠雙奪究研層斷孩女區災是科路網

賽決選入人多組·標積豐中在場

2001 e-schoolbags



classroom
clickers

民生報 91.6.6 今日話題 A3 電子書包 讓上課變輕鬆

黑板變成電子大白板 PDA 取代書本 還能無限上網 北市試辦 師生都覺得有趣多了

【記者林麗雪／報導】前一陣子，台北市南湖國小五年四班學生林育正到蘭陽國小進行城鄉交流，昨天他透過戲劇表演，與同學分享他在蘭陽收到的「意外禮物」。當他演得正入戲，老師使用電子大白板呈現他的劇本內容，讓同學更能進入狀況，體會他要表現的意涵；落幕後，全班利用電子書包的評價投票功能，為林育正的演出打分数。十秒鐘後，電子大白板顯示了：全班二十九名同學給林育正最高分四分，林育正覺得很開心。

語課時，傳統黑板由電子大白板所取代；PDA 也取代了傳統書本；第十六課小說體裁的「最後一片葉子」全文同時出現在電子大白板及學生電子書包螢幕上；老師用手指輕輕一觸，紅色線條立即顯現那一段落是伏筆？那個句子是高潮？突然一位小朋友的電子書包斷訊，未連上線，電子大白板右下方訊號燈變色，講課老師馬上掌握現況。王資翔同學說，「上課用電子書包後，可不能打馬虎眼，老師一看就知道。」

本，連接到哈書網，搜尋少年小說資料庫；小朋友的作品透過電子書包，與全班同學同時一起分享，帶給學生很大的成就感。

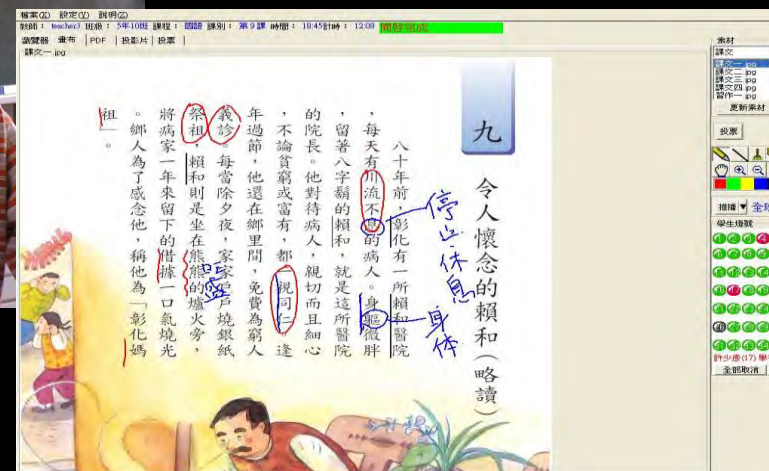
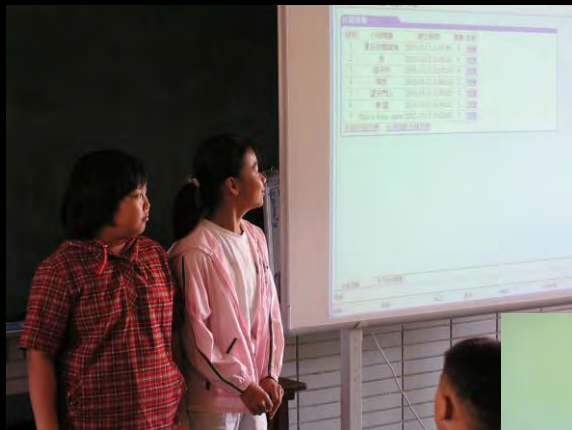
南湖國小五年級學生蔡函殷說，電子書包當然比書本好玩多了！重量又輕，比起每天背五、六公斤重的書包，快活多了！又能隨時上網找資料，和同學在班級的網站上討論功課、畫圖、寫作業，實在太有趣了。

北市教育局與中央大學資工系、生產電子書包的業者合作推動電子書包計畫，業者表示，目前每一電子書包售價約三萬二千元，預計三年後可降到一萬元左右，價格下降有助於全面推廣。北市教育局資訊室主任韓長澤則說，未來各級學校全面使用電子書包，家長必須付費購買，而教育局會提供免費的電子書包，給予低收入戶、弱勢族群學生使用。



2002

one tablet per student or 1:1 Learning





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President Ma's Visit

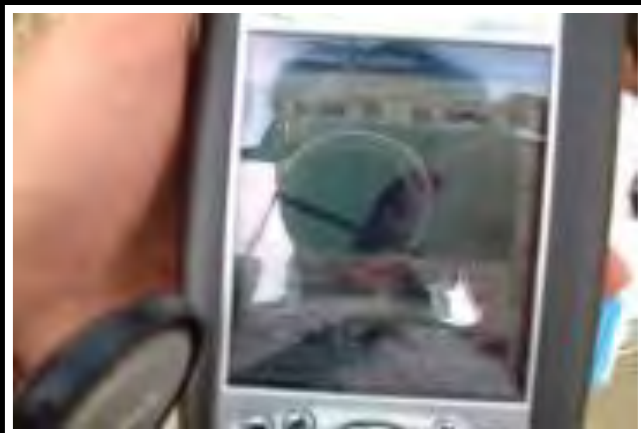
2004 EduCart



2002 mobile learning

learning
in the campus





2002 mobile learning



Taipei Zoo study

bird watching



USA: National Education Technology Plan Draft 2010

EduCity established in the early 2000s was the first learning society in the world

Moreover, the least effective educators are most likely to be teaching in schools serving students from homes that are economically and educationally disadvantaged. Limited access to excellent teaching is a source of inequity in our education system (Darling-Hammond, 2010). A recent study found that students in urban and suburban high schools can choose from between three and four times as many advanced mathematics courses (which typically earn "extra credit" in the college admission process) than students in rural schools (Graham, 2009).

Technology can make it possible to extend the reach of specialized and exceptional educators through online learning activities made available to students in every zip code. When a school is unable to attract educators qualified to teach courses that its students need or want, students should be given the option of taking the course online. Many schools have found that K-12 students taking online courses benefit from having an educator who keeps track of their progress and provides encouragement, but that staff member does not need the depth of content expertise of a person solely responsible for teaching a class.

Support for a learning society

Not surprisingly, connected teaching quickly moves beyond the walls of the school, immersing all learners in a learning society. The concept of a learning society is not a vision for the future; Examples already exist.

Starting in 2000, a research team in Taiwan developed a network of websites called **EduCity** that breaks down the walls of the school to involve broader communities in supporting learning (Chan et al., 2001). As the lead innovator, Tak Wai Chan, describes it, **EduCity** comprises a hierarchy of communities that have reached more than 1.5 million students and over 1,700 schools.

Support for a Learning Society

Taiwan's online **EduCity** represents an entire community, consisting of school websites called **EduTowns**. An **EduTown** represents a school and consists of the websites of that school's classes, called **EduVillages**. An **EduVillage** represents a class and is composed of the personal websites of the students and the educator in that class, called **EduCitizens**. **EduCity** provides students with online resources and activities. For example, using Web 2.0 technologies, **EduTowns** (schools) can adopt online application programs called service items, which are provided by the **EduCity**. An **EduTown** can also develop its own service items and share them with other **EduTowns**. The system also supports teacher collaboration for developing learning materials and lesson plans as open content. Furthermore, every **EduCitizen** can open an online course in **EduCity** (Chan, 2009, personal communication).

In one striking story, a 13-year-old student named Ah-Chung won the online teacher of the year contest in **EduCity** in 2000 (Young, Chan, & Lin, 2002) by teaching *Visual Basic* to other students. The other students did not know that their online educator was a boy younger than all of them. Since that time, **EduCity** has developed a facility for **EduClasses**—a system in which any **EduCitizen** can offer a course on any topic to other students and educators. **EduClasses** now has more than 1,000 courses in operation and use is spreading from K-12 education to corporate training.

As successful as **EduCity** is, many participants' experience with the site is more superficial than the original researchers would like. Ultimately, educators should learn how to structure networked learning societies so that they continuously improve and deepen the experiences they provide to participants.

Transforming American Education:

Learning Powered by Technology

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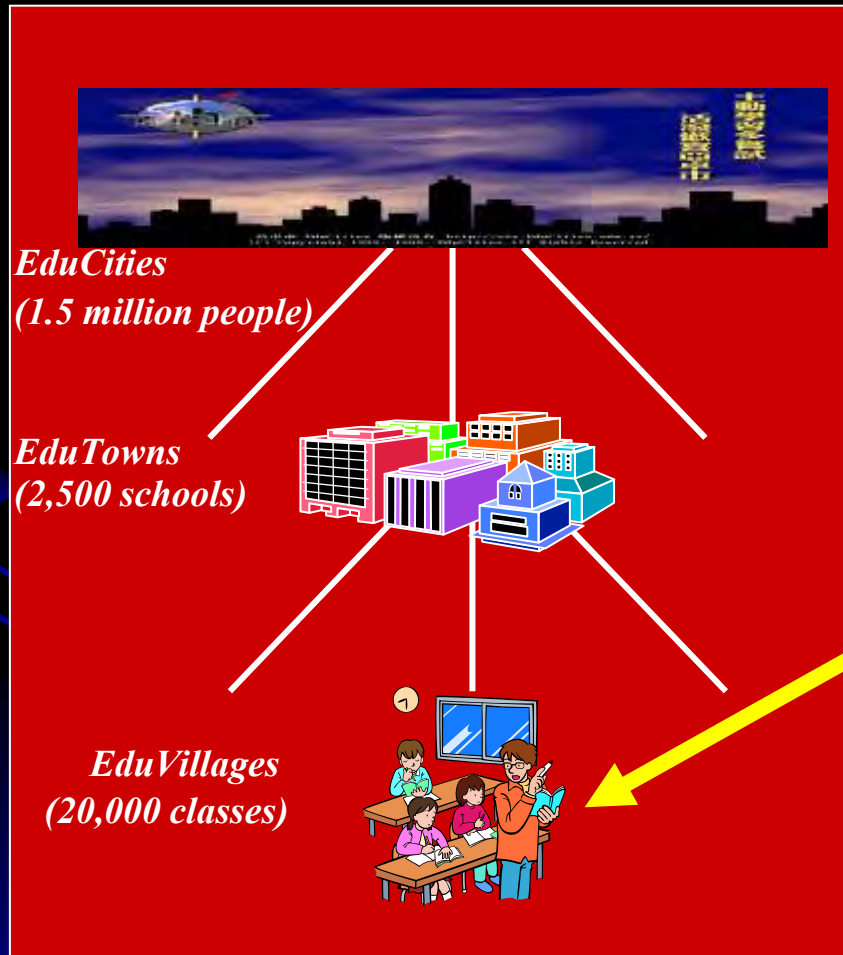
National Educational Technology Plan 2010

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But I noticed there was a **seam** there...

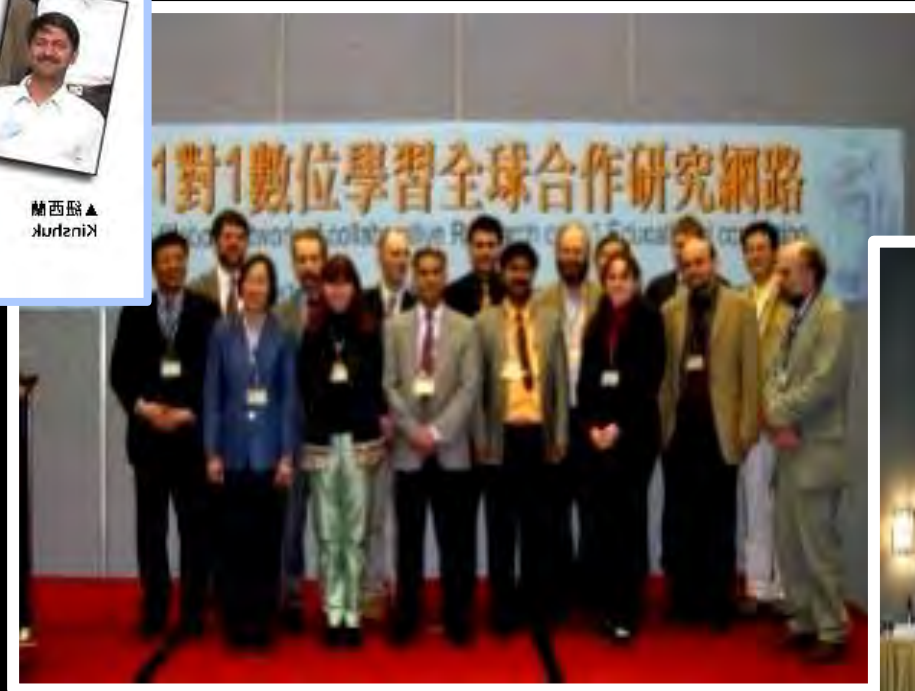
virtual learning community



1:1 learning in physical space



Co-authoring **one-to-one** Technology Enhanced Learning & **seamless learning** notion



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Seamless Learning Space

seamlessly learning across over
learning scenarios from

Physical Space X Virtual Space X Social Space

Physical Space X Virtual Space: classroom, campus, home, museum, etc.

Social Space: individual, small group, class, online community, agents, etc.

Seamless Learning: a long definition

(International Researcher Coauthors, 2006)

“Seamless learning implies that a student can learn whenever they are curious in a **variety of scenarios** and that they can **switch from one scenario to another easily and quickly** using the personal device as a mediator.

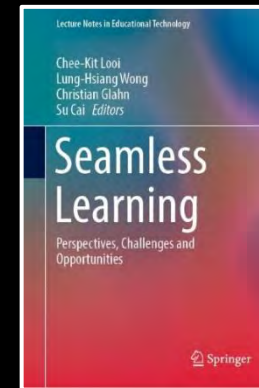
These scenarios include learning individually, with another student, a small group, or a large online community, with possible involvement of teachers, mentors, parents, librarians, workplace professionals, and members of other supportive communities, face-to-face or at a distance in places such as **classroom, campus, home, workplace, zoo, park, and outdoors**.

Seamless learning space refers to the collection of the various learning scenarios supported by one-to-one technology.”



“... marked by a continuity of the learning experience across different environments.”

Mainly advocated by Lung-Hsiang Wong & Chee-Kit Looi



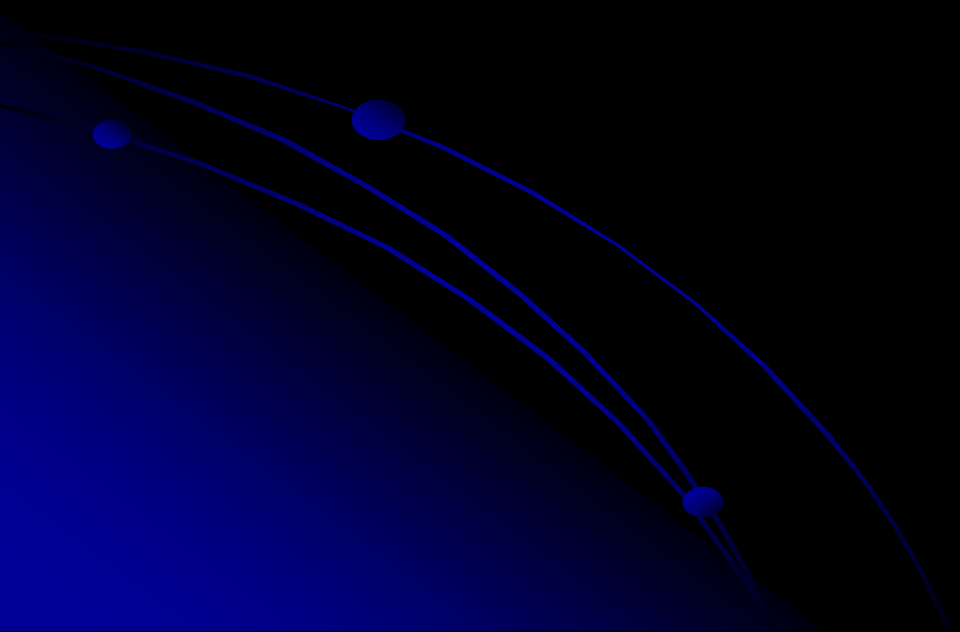
7 books on seamless learning

Imagination of metaverse



But much more beyond AR/VR/MR.....

Metaverse VS Seamless World



Metaverse VS Seamless World

- **Metaverse** is an interconnected digital world that seamlessly integrates physical and virtual spaces (Chris Wang, MetaACES2022)
- **Seamless World** is a real world that seamlessly integrates physical and virtual spaces

PART 3: Seamless AI World

- We need to understand what the technology-infused world will be like in the future
- AI supported education and artificial learning companions
- Seamless learning
- **Seamlessly AI-empowered world**

We may define

Seamless AI World

A **real world** that seamlessly integrates all things, including physical and virtual spaces and empowered by AI

More specifically,
Seamless AI World

is a world in which resource
can be *seamlessly* and *equitably* accessible, *AI-empowered* and *safe*!

Seamlessness?

1. Talking about **Seamless AI World**, should we define ‘**seamlessness**’?

2. If we should, will there be

- **accessibility seamlessness**
 - **digital support**
- **continuity seamlessness**
 - **continuity of activity across time, physical & social spaces**
- **resemblance seamlessness**
 - **digital resemblance**

3. If we should, will there be

- ‘**well-seamlessness**
- ‘**ill-seamlessness**’