Title: Social Human-Robot Interaction of Service Robots

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Objectives and Motivation

The purpose of this special session is to explore how social robots can interact with humans socially and facilitate the integration of service robots. This special session focuses on three social aspects of human-robot interaction: (1) technical implementation of social robots and products, (2) form, function and behavior, and (3) human behavior and expectations as a means to understand the social aspects of interacting with these robots and products.

This is the follow-up event of the special session with the same title at RO-MAN 2018, which will continue to pursue deeper understanding on social human-robot interaction.

List of Topics

- Core technologies for social human-robot interaction
  - Social perception and context awareness
  - Short/long-term behavior recognition
  - Social expression and interactive behavior
  - Social task modelling and management
  - Social grasping and navigation skills
  - Social humanoid robot design
  - Human-robot interaction design
  - Emotion recognition and model design
  - Dialogue based interaction
  - Machine learning approaches for social human-robot interaction
  - Building datasets for training robots social intelligence
  - Personalisation of social behaviors of service robots
  - Long-term interaction and relationship development
- Definitions and taxonomy of social capabilities for robots
- Software architecture and system integration for social robot intelligence
- Materials, process and measures to assess social intelligence of robots
- Ethical impacts of social human-robot interactions
- Applications such as healthcare, receptionist, education

Corresponding Keywords

Social Intelligence for Robots; Social Learning and Skill Acquisition Via Teaching and Imitation; Creating Human-Robot Relationship

Invitations for Contributed Papers

Service robots with social intelligence are starting to be integrated into our everyday lives. The robots are intended to help improve aspects of quality of life as well as improve efficiency. We are organizing an exciting special session at RO- MAN 2019
that is oriented towards sharing the ideas amongst participants with diverse backgrounds ranging from Human-Robot Interaction design, social intelligence, decision making, social psychology and aspects, and robotic social skills. The intended audience of this special session primarily consists of social robotics, artificial intelligence, and HRI researchers and developers, however it also includes researchers and industrial partners from communities such as industrial-, field- and space-robotics.

Please visit our special session at http://robotics.auckland.ac.nz/roman2019-shri/ for information updates. We will post a call for paper to researchers and developers in this area to ask them to participate to our special session.

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Remarks

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