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Jameson and Horvitz  
papers

# Overview

- ❑ Functions and Forms of Adaptive IUIs
- ❑ Components
- ❑ Usability and Evaluation

# UAI: Functions and Forms (some)

## Functions

Support  
System  
Usage

Support  
Info Acquisition/  
Decision Making

Support  
Learning

Support  
Collaboration

Support  
Entertainment

Take Over  
Routine  
Tasks

Adapt  
the  
Interface

Advice  
on  
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Usage

Retrieve Info/  
Recommend Objects

Tailor  
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Presentation

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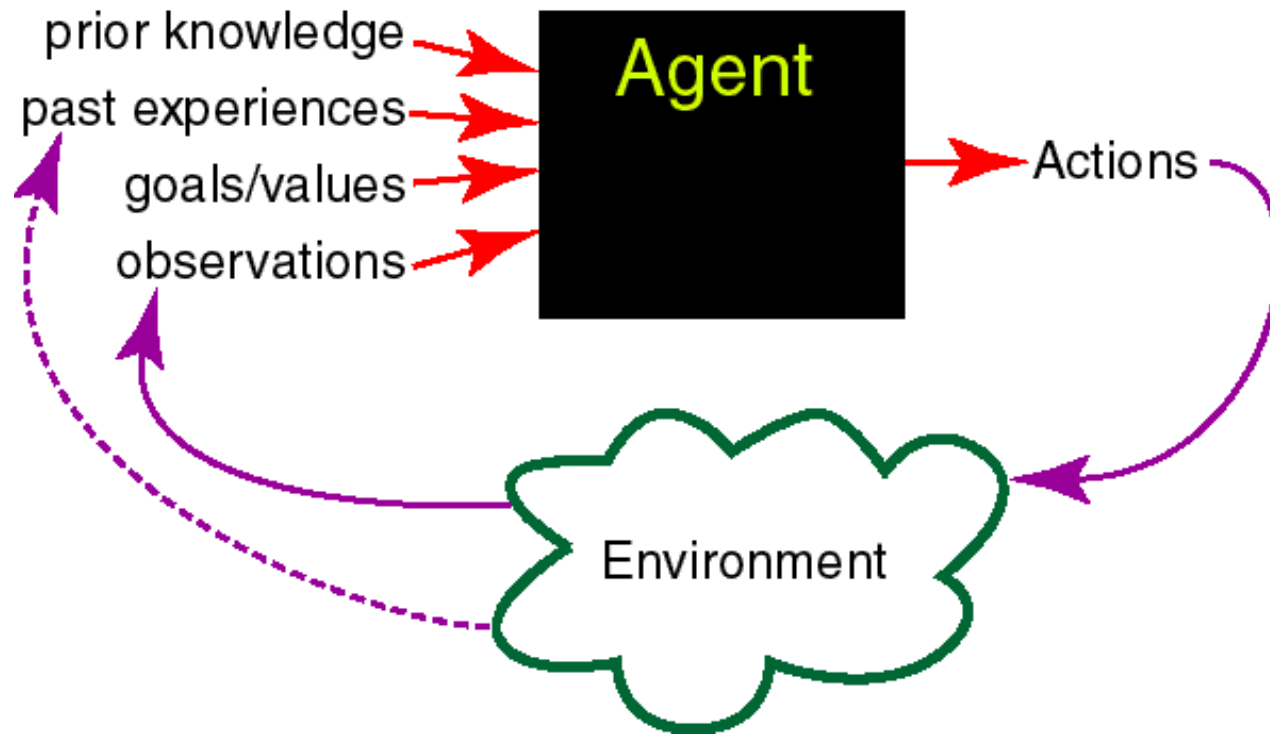
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# Intelligent Agent (Poole and Mackworth 2010)

- Its actions are *appropriate* for its goals and circumstances
  - Including *limited resources*
- It is *flexible* to changing environments and goals
- It *learns* from experience



# Representation and Reasoning

- ❑ To reason about the environment an agent needs to represent it => ***knowledge***
- ❑ One of AI goals: specify techniques to
  - Acquire and represent knowledge about a domain
  - Use the knowledge to solve problems in that domain

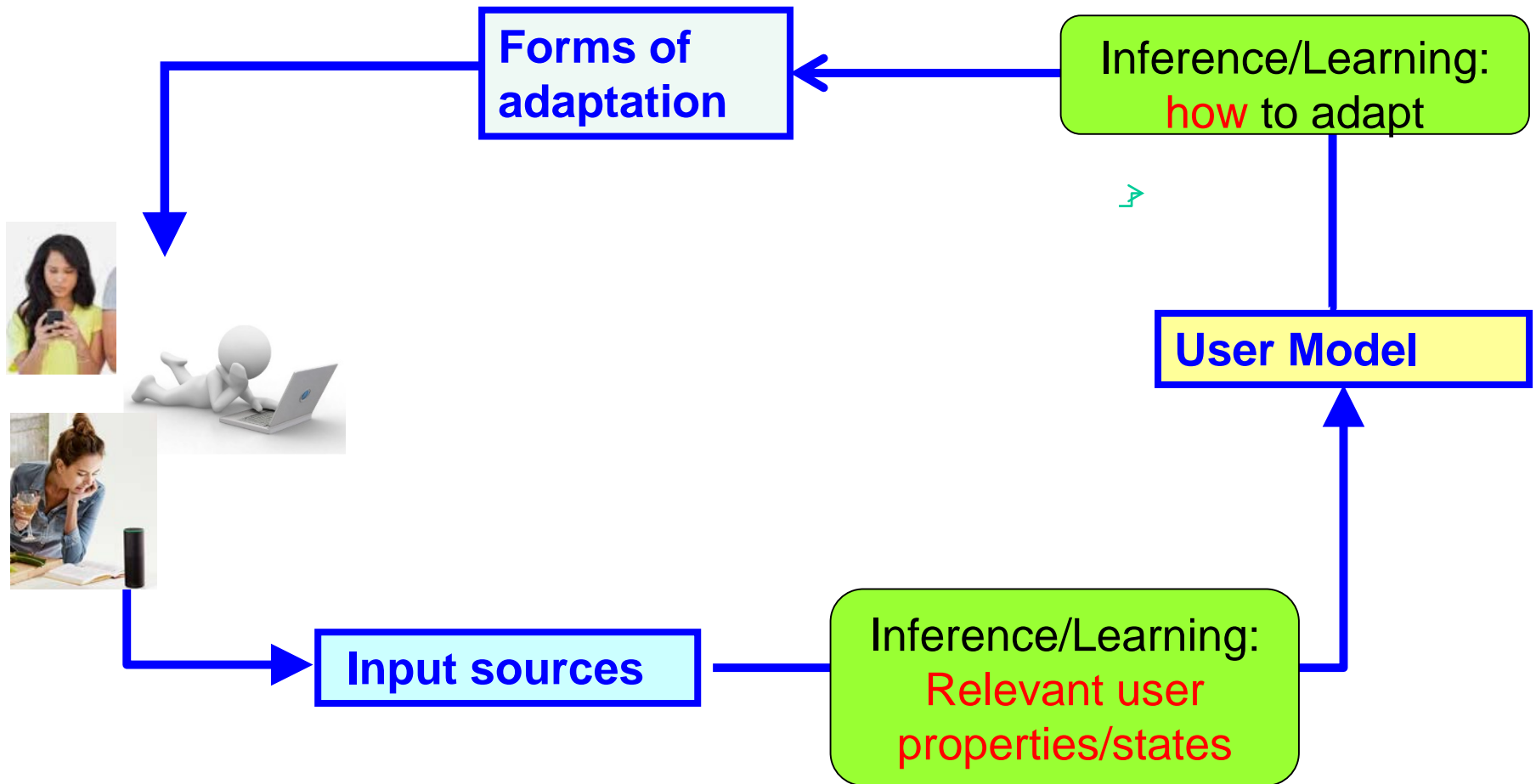
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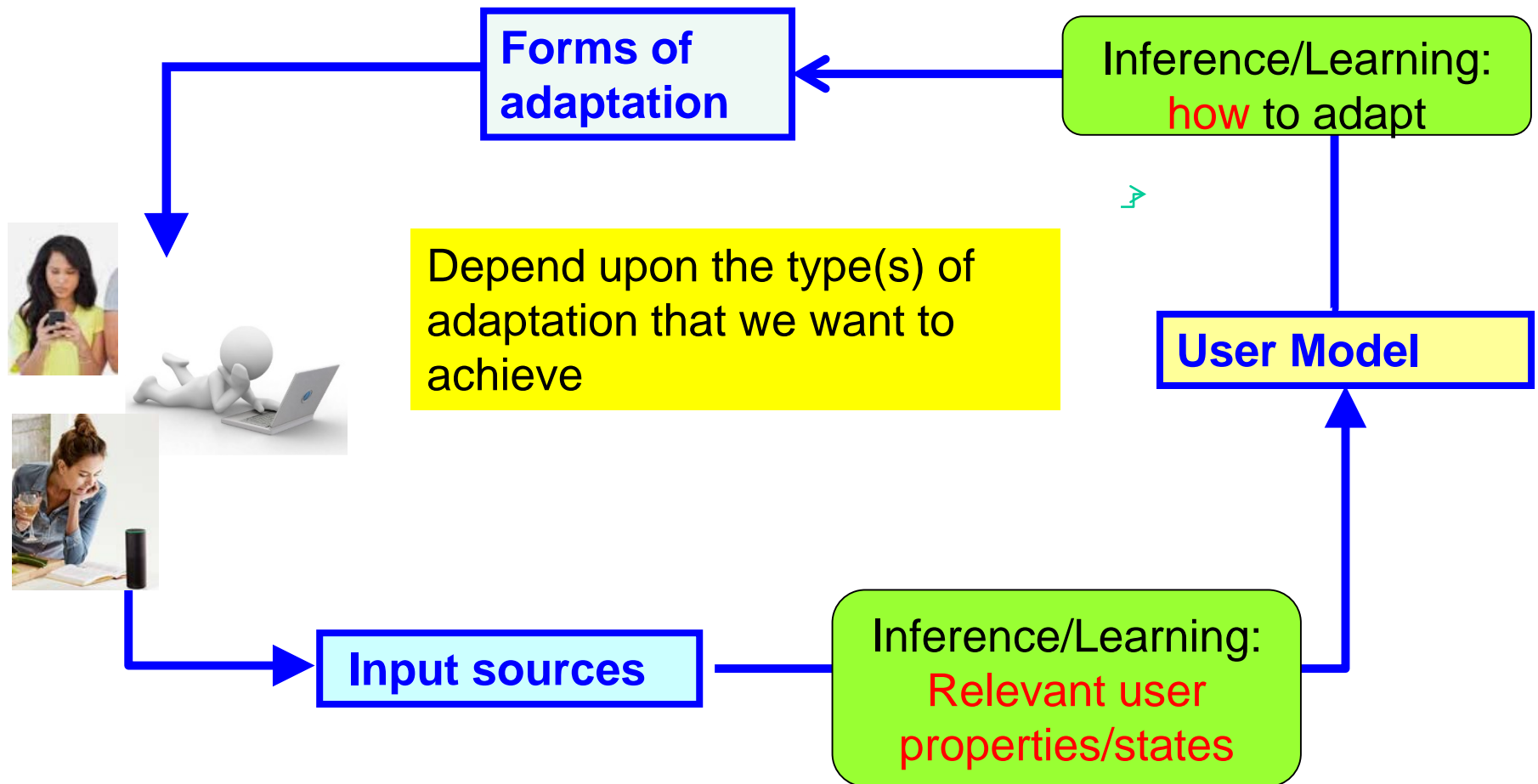
- Knowledge about the user (*user model*)
- Knowledge about the application domain/task (*domain model*)
- Knowledge about the communication process (*interaction model*)



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# Example: SETA


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Tailoring the Interaction with Users in Web Stores

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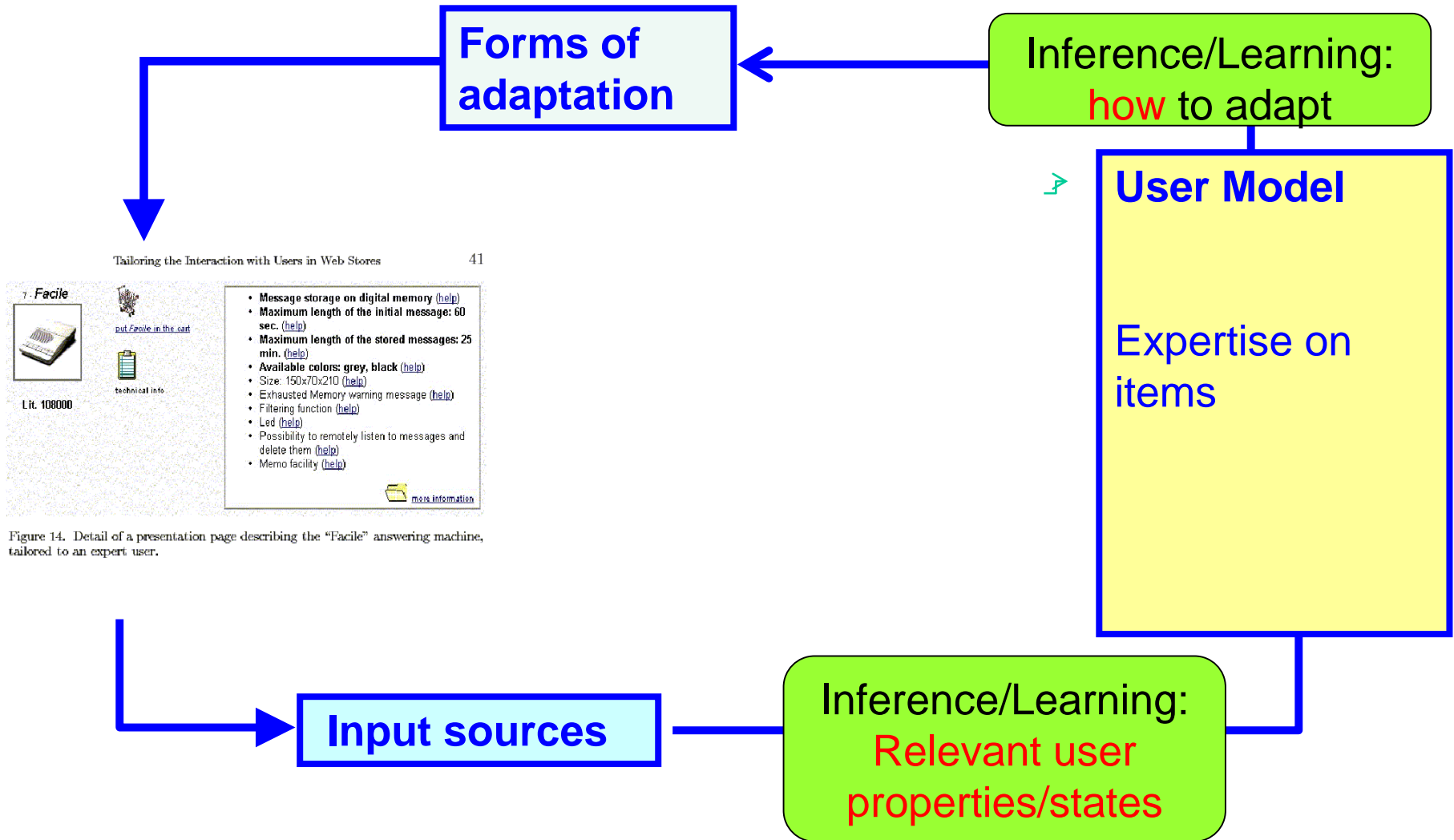
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Figure 14. Detail of a presentation page describing the “Facile” answering machine, tailored to an expert user.

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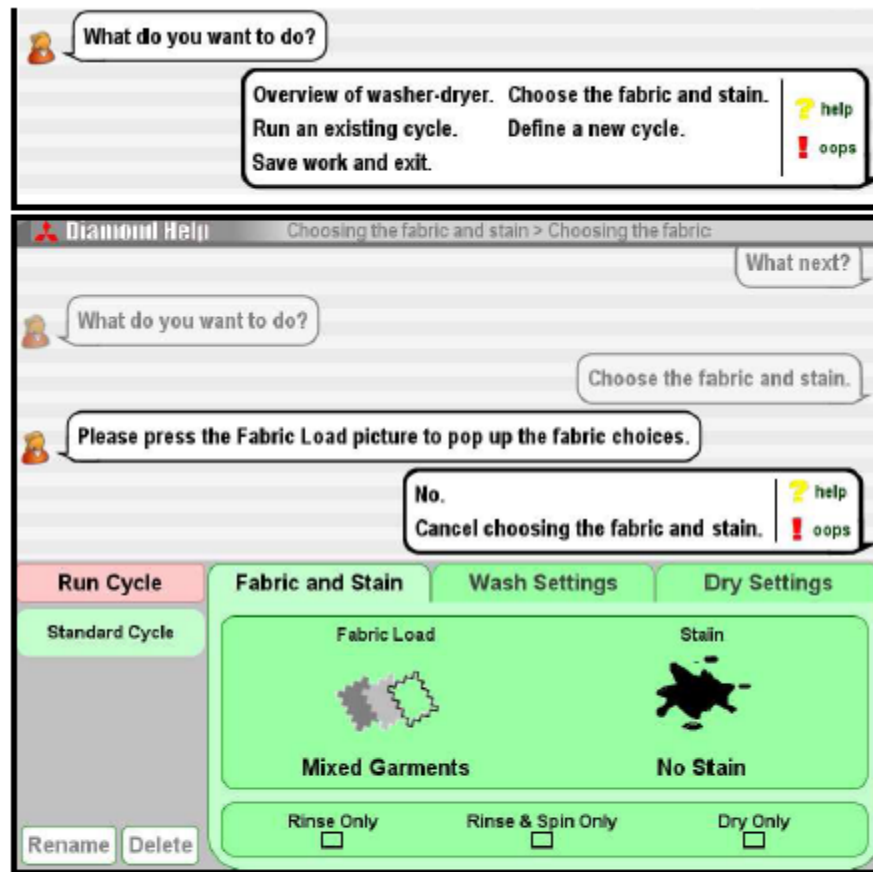


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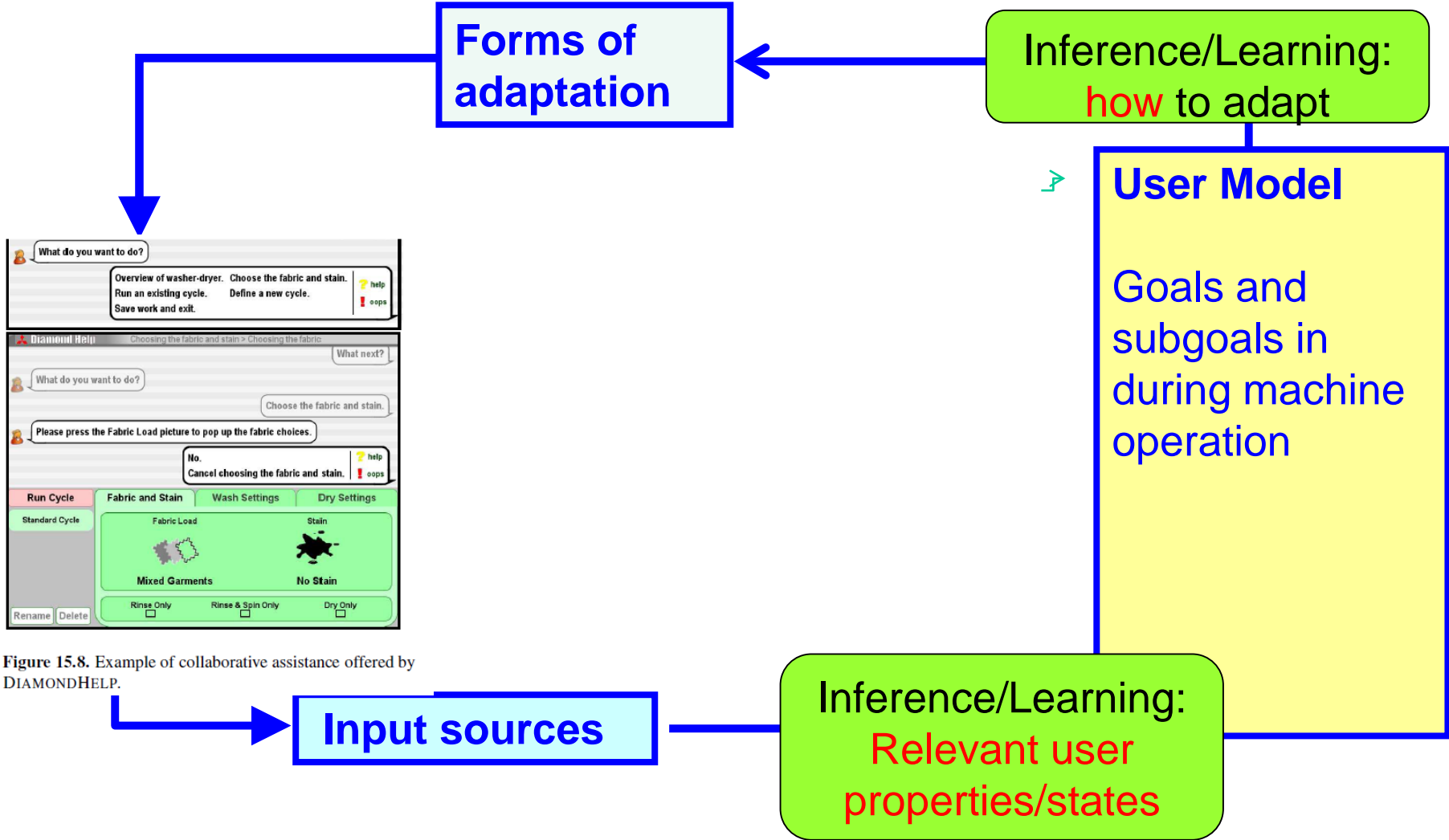


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# User Model: Types of Properties

- Goals
- Beliefs/Domain knowledge
- Proficiencies (e.g. in using a particular application)
- Behavioral regularities
- Interests
- Preferences
- Personality
- Affective state
- Context of interaction
- .....

# User Model: Acquisition

User's input + inference/learning mechanisms



# User's input

- Explicit

- Non Explicit

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## □ Explicit

- Self-reports (personal characteristics, proficiencies, interests)
- Tests
- Evaluations of specific objects

## □ Non Explicit

- Naturally occurring actions (e.g., mouse clicks, scrolling..)
- Low level measures of psychological states (e.g. facial expressions, eye-gaze, hart rate).
- Low-level measures of context (e.g., position via GPS)

# Acquisition mechanisms

## □ Knowledge-Based (or Expert-Based)

- Define rules (deterministic or probabilistic) to identify relevant user properties based on existing theories/knowledge

## □ Data-Based

- Learn relevant user features from data (e.g. labeled or unlabelled example behaviors)

## □ Hybrid

# Knowledge-Based Example

A computer tutor can use expert-defined rules to infer student's knowledge of a particular topic from her correct or incorrect answers, or from knowledge of related topics

**If** answer to question  $X$  is correct

**Then** there is a probability  $p(c)$  that the user knows topic  $T$

**If** answer to question  $X$  is incorrect

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# Knowledge-Based Example

## ACT-R Models for Intelligent Tutoring Systems

Eq:  $5x+3=30$ ; Goals: [Solve for x]

- Rule: To solve for x when there is only one occurrence, unwrap (isolate) x.

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- Rule: To unwrap ?V, find the outermost wrapper ?W of ?V and remove ?W

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- Rule: To find wrapper ?W of ?V, find the top level expression ?E on side of equation containing ?V, and set ?W to part of ?E that does not contain ?V

Eq:  $5x+3=30$ ; Goals: [Remove "+3"]

- Rule: To remove "+?E", subtract "+?E" from both sides

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- Rule: To subtract "+?E" from both sides ....

Eq:  $5x+3-3=30-3$

# Data-based example

Agent that helps users discriminate which newsgroup (or tweeter) postings to read and which ones to skip

	Action	Author	Thread	Length	Where
e1	skips	known	new	long	home
e2	reads	unknown	new	short	work
e3	skips	unknown	old	long	work
e4	skips	known	old	long	home
e5	reads	known	new	short	home
e6	skips	known	old	long	work

Learn how to classify new postings on property **Action** (*skip, read*) from attributes *Author, Thread, Length, and Where*, based on existing labeled examples

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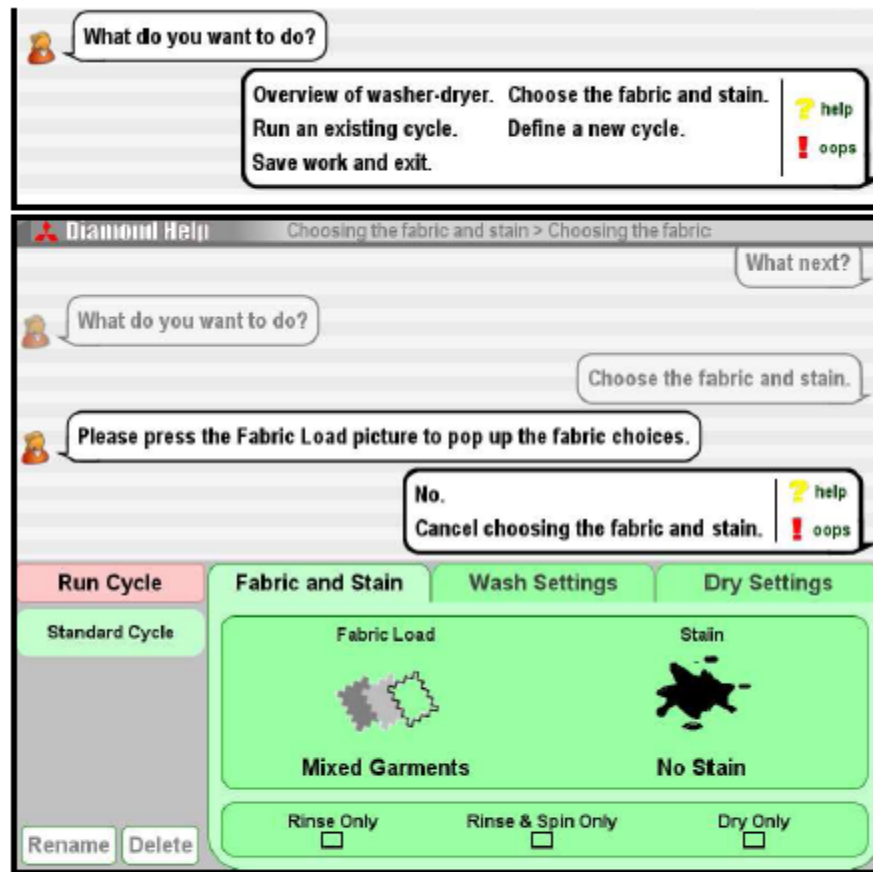
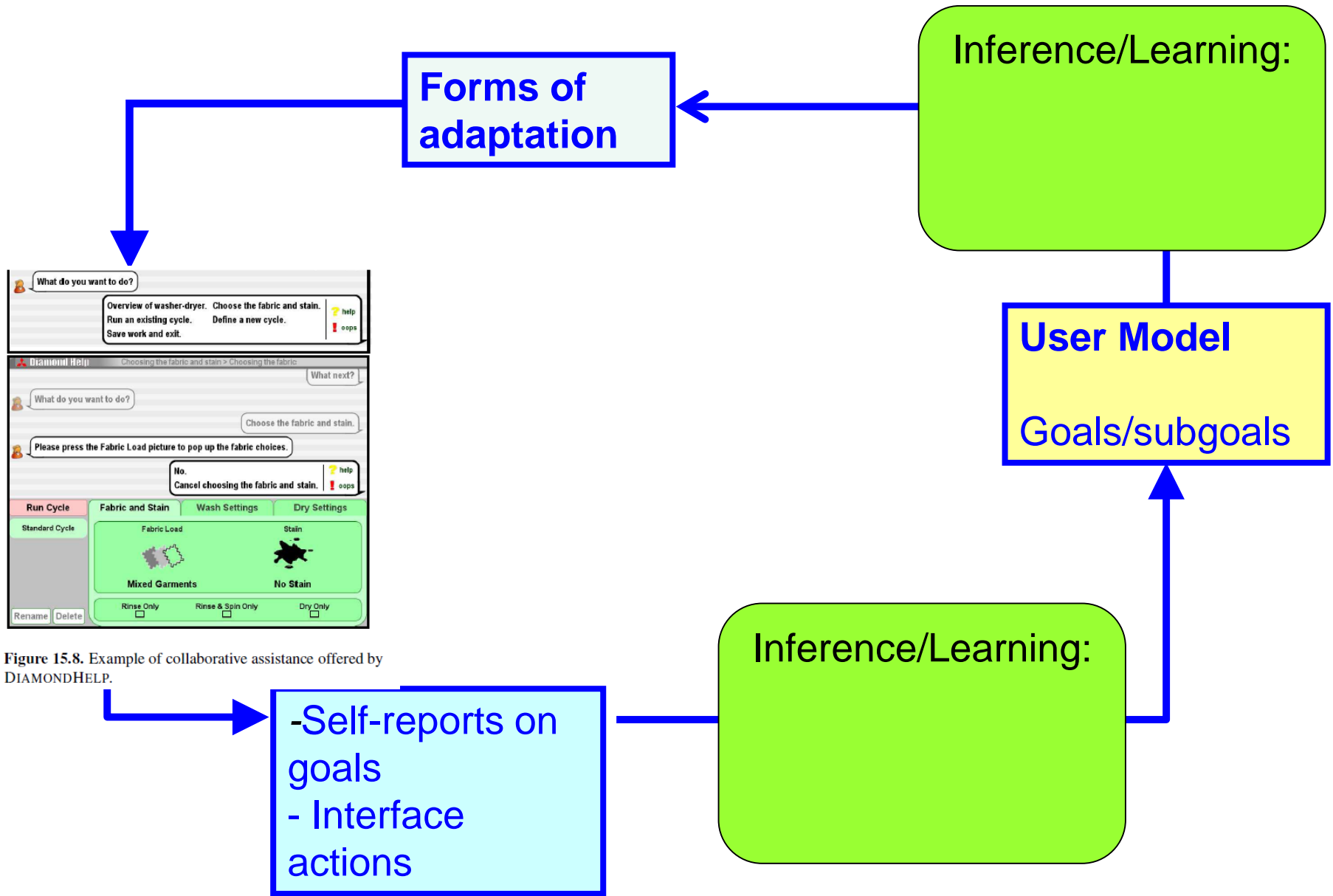


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# DE: Inferences





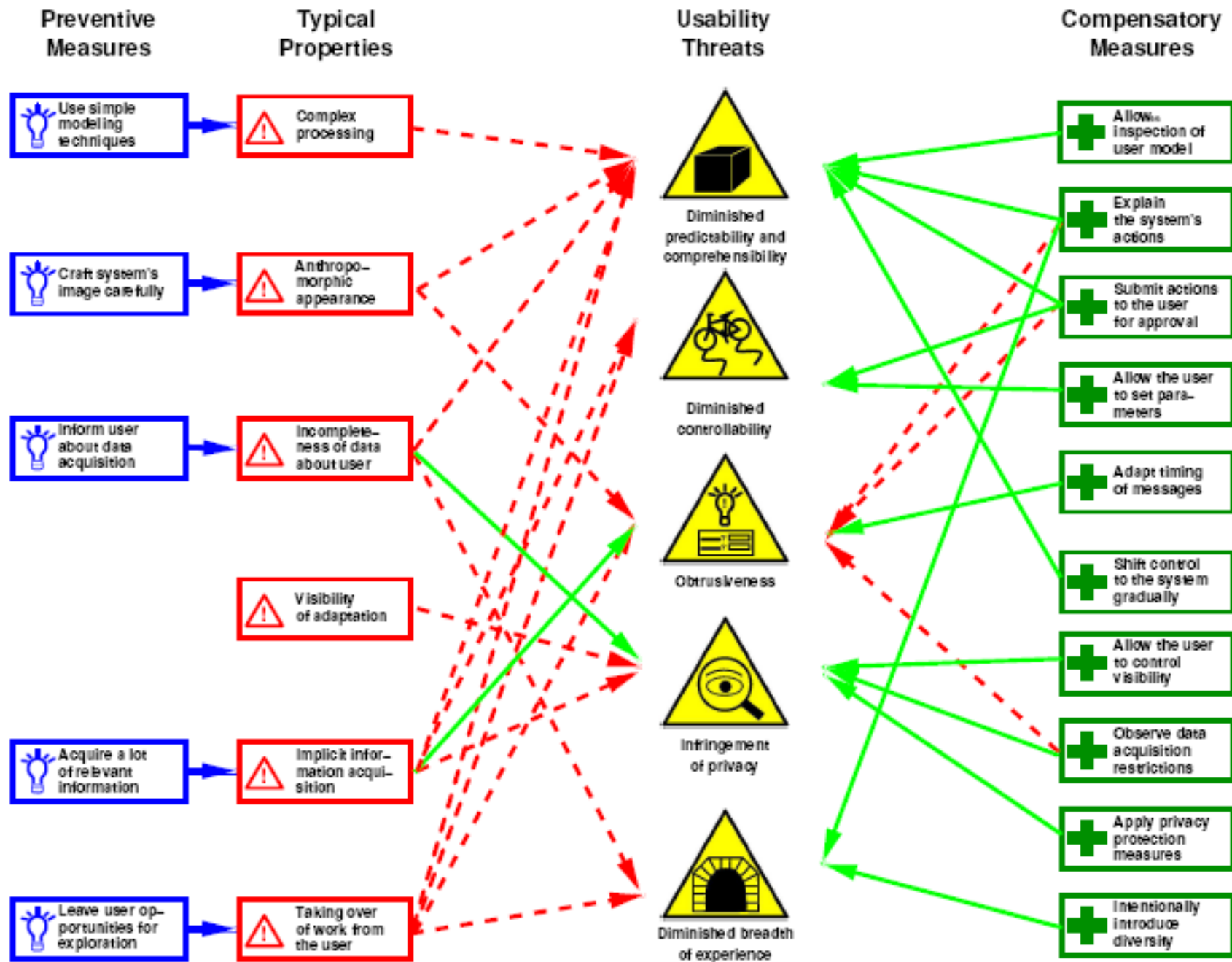
# Pros and Cons of Knowledge-based vs. Data-based acquisition methods?

# Domain Model

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  - Usually well defined
  - Rich representations are possible
- *Open World* (e.g. the Web)
  - Ill defined
  - Requires to deal with lower levels of representation

# Communication Model

- How different forms of adaptation are actually implemented in the interface
- Must follow HCI design principles for usability
  - Predictability and Transparency
  - Controllability
  - Unobtrusiveness
  - *Privacy*



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# Evaluation of Adaptive UI

□ For **performance** and **user satisfaction**

- Wizard of Oz Studies
- Simulations using data from a non-adaptive system
- Controlled studies
- Field Studies

# Some Topics

- Supporting System Use:
  - Taking Over Routine Tasks
  - Providing Help
  - Tailoring the Interface
- Adaptive Support to Learning
  - Student Modeling
  - Model Tracing and Issue Tracing Tutors
  - Decision Theoretic Tutors
- Supporting Info Acquisition/Decision Making
  - Support for Browsing
  - Recommending Products
  - Adapting Info Presentation
- Explanation, Trust, Transparency, Fairness in UAI
- Conversational Agents
- Modeling and adapting to
  - User Affect
  - Cognitive Measures (cognitive load, attention)
  - Meta-Cognition

Can add specific topics students are interested in

LookOut



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# Horvitz Mixed-Initiative principles

1. Significant value-added automation
2. Consider uncertainty about user goals
3. Consider status of user attention in timing services
4. Infer ideal action in light of costs, benefits and uncertainties
5. Use dialogue to resolve uncertainty
6. Allow direct invocation and termination
7. Minimize cost of poor guesses
8. Match precision of services with goal uncertainty
9. Mechanisms for user-system collaboration to refine results
10. Socially appropriate behaviors for agent-user interaction
11. Maintaining working memory of recent interactions
12. Continuous learning via observation

# Taking over routine tasks: Microsoft Lookout

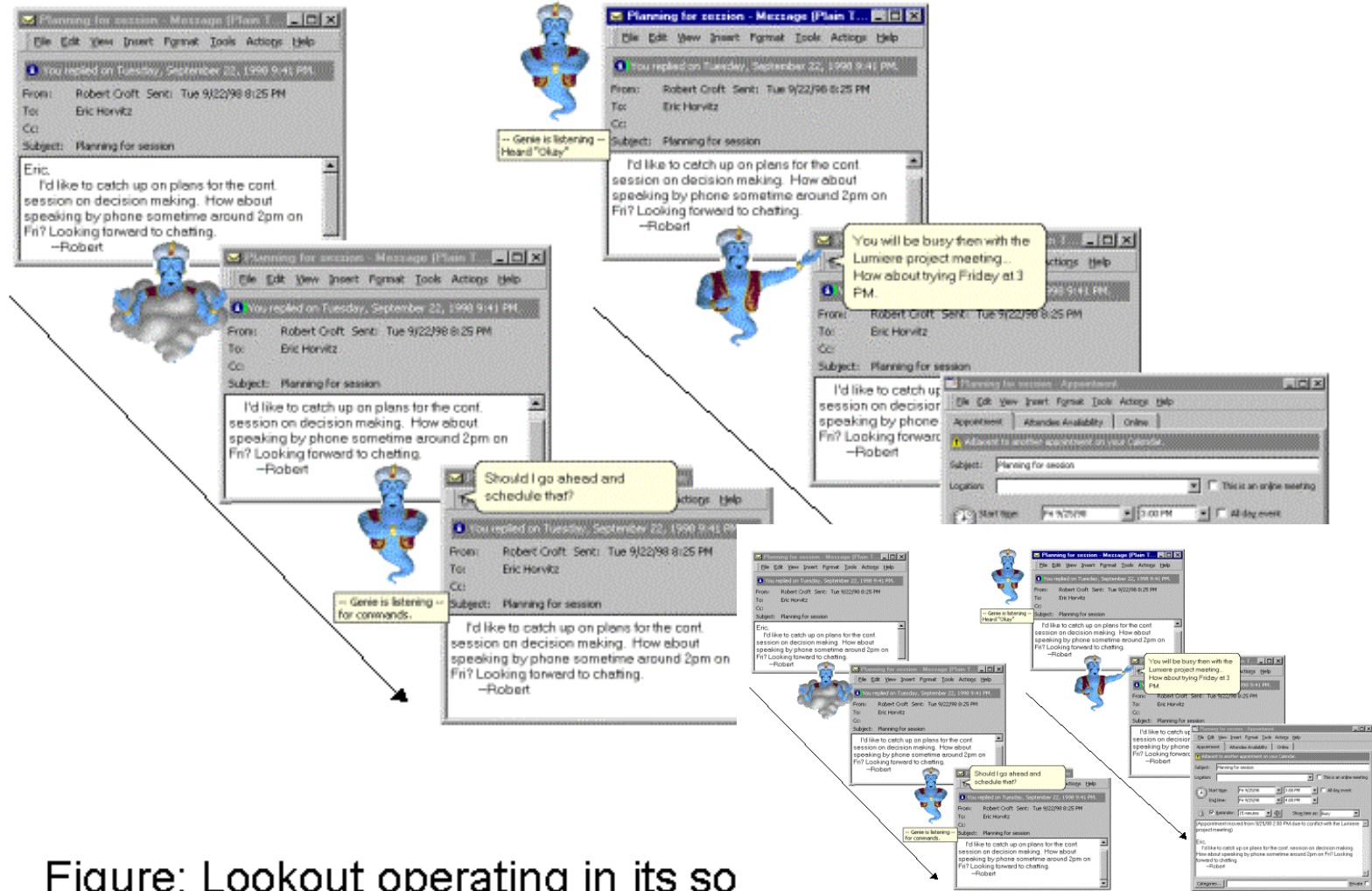


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Inference/Learning

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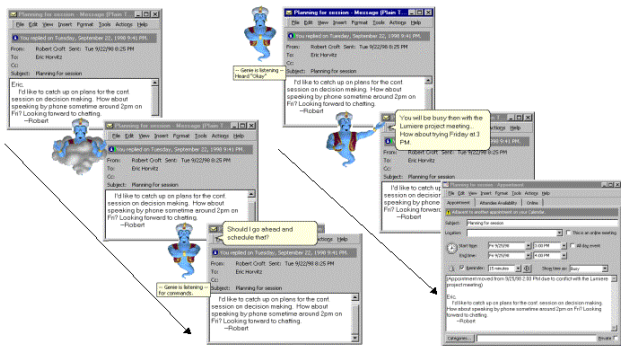


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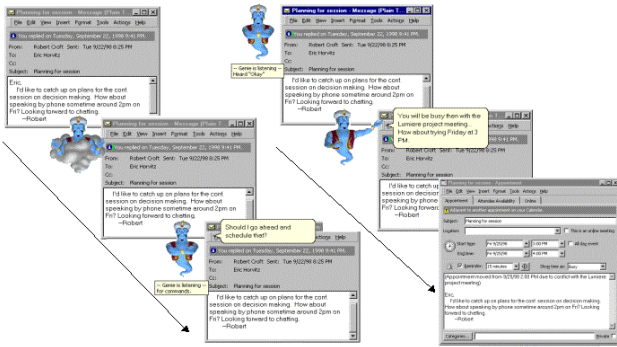


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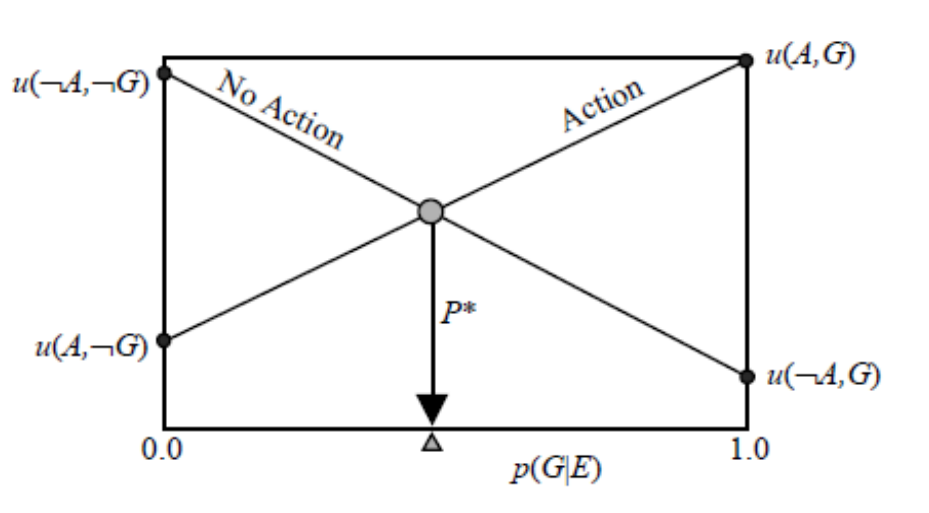
# Inference for Model Application

➤ Based on Utility Theory

	Goal	No Goal
Action	$U(A,G)$	$U(A,noG)$
No action	$U(noA,G)$	$U(noA,noG)$

$$eu(A|E) = p(G|E)u(A,G) + p(\neg G|E) u(A, \neg G) =$$

$$p(G|E)u(A,G) + [1-p(G|E)] u(A, \neg G)$$



Similar equation for No Action ( $\neg A$ )

Chose the behavior with **Max Expected Utility (EU)**

Figure 4. Graphical analysis of the expected utility of action versus inaction, yielding a threshold probability for action.

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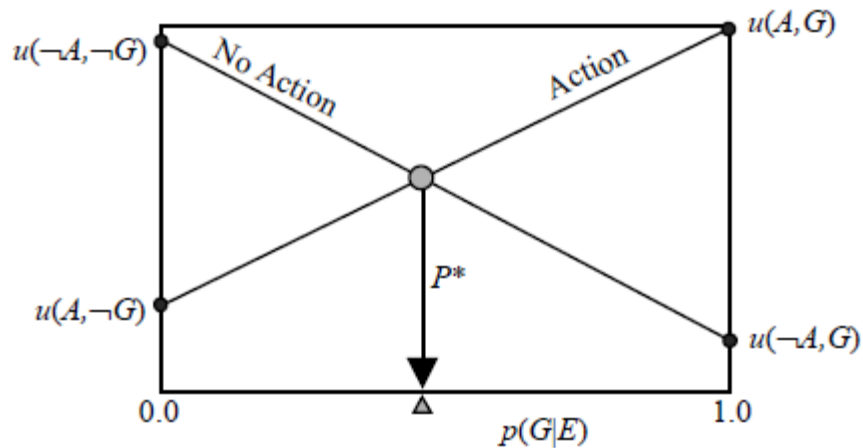


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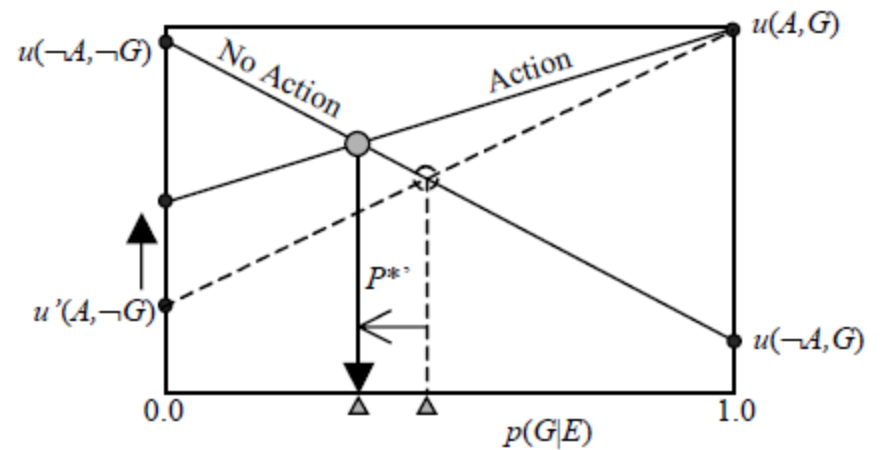


Figure 5. The result of increasing the value of taking erroneous action. Context-dependent shifts in any of the utilities can change the probability threshold for action.

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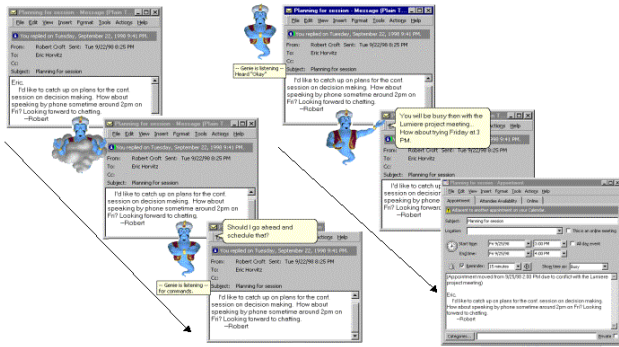


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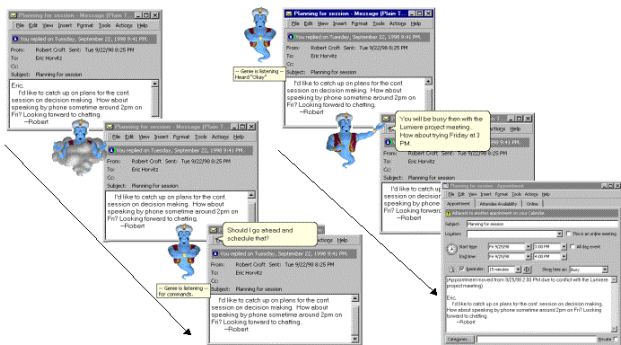


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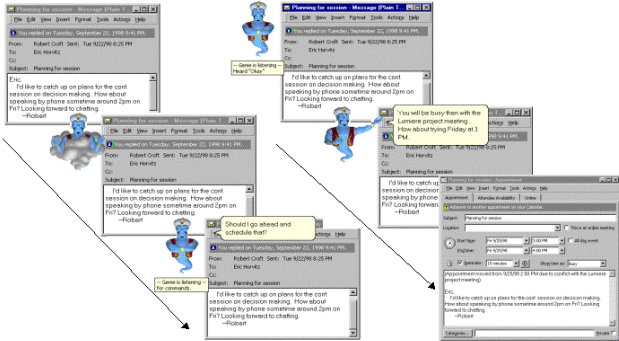
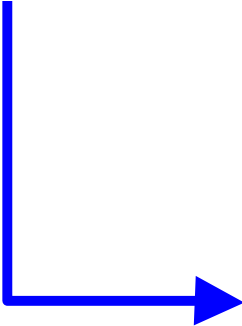
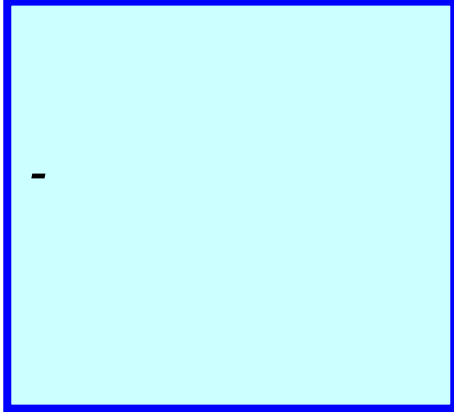


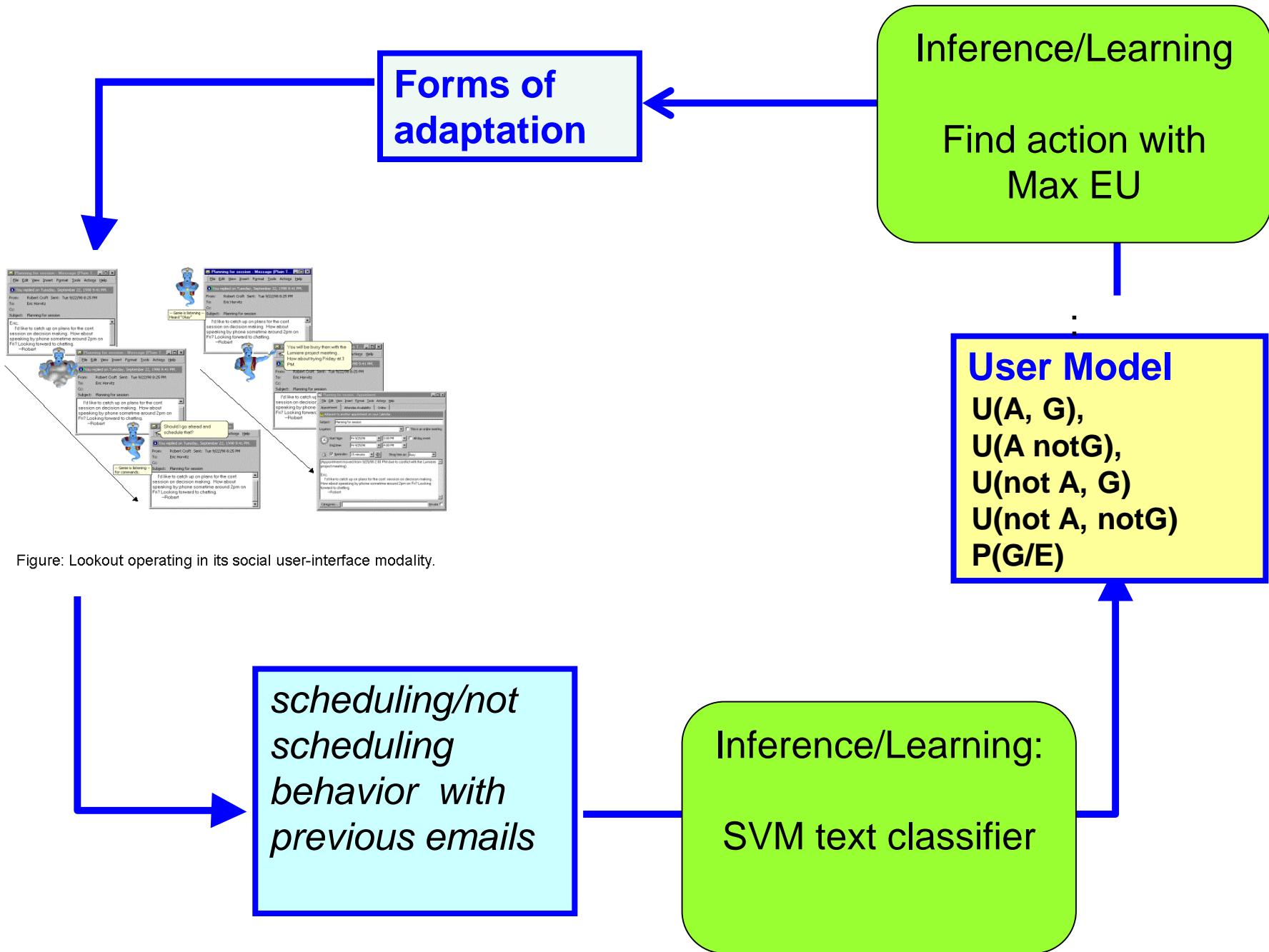
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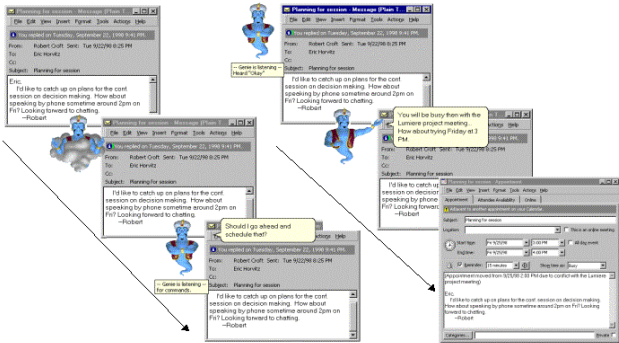


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**Inference/Learning:**  
SVM text classifier

*scheduling/not scheduling behavior with previous emails*

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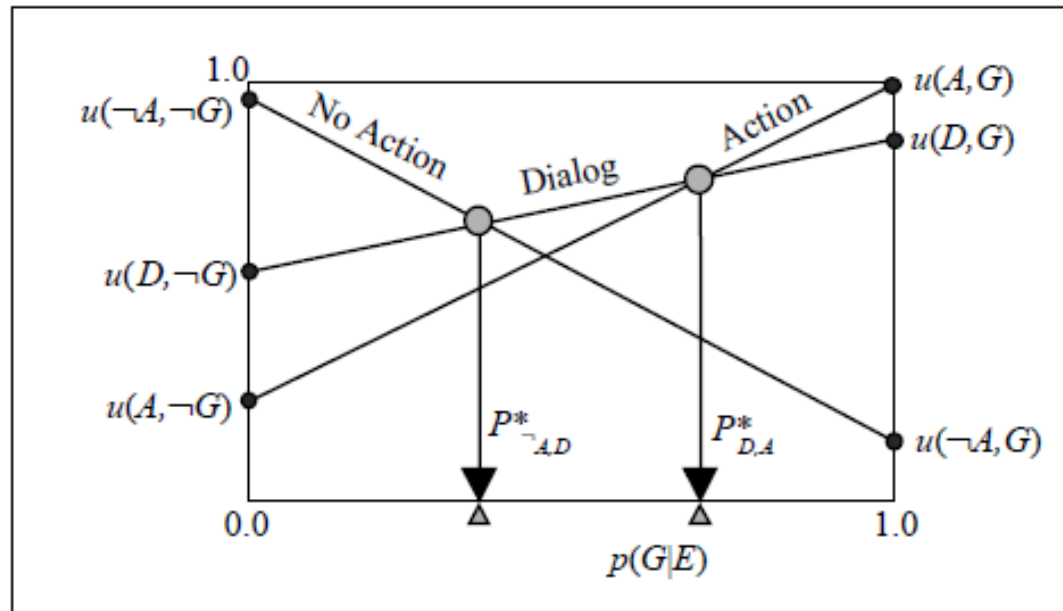


Figure 6. Adding a second action option consisting of dialog with users about their goals. In this case, the graphical analysis highlights the origin of two threshold probabilities for guiding the action of autonomous services.

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- ❑ Variable dwell time for a response
- ❑ Don't take final action without user approval