Mobile and Agile: Why can't they get along?

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Slide 6: words from a user/stakeholder of a desktop app.

Slides 30-36: clips from Unity environments we are using.

Slide 42: a Unity hospital that caught our eye. Independently, my group is also interested in apps in hospital settings and are considering our hybrid approach in this new domain.

Slide 47: using FSP/LTSA (a formal modeling tool) to derive the specs for a NPC manager in Unity.

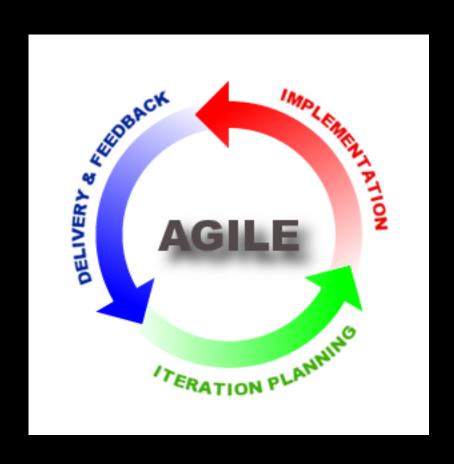
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My Group's Foundation



2-4 week cycles

Social Networking Example

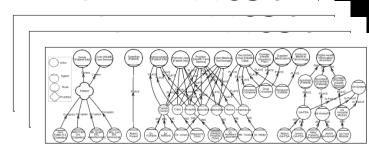


Figure 2. Actors (roles, agents and position) in the GA system

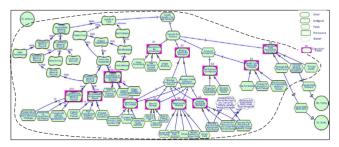


Figure 3. Goal/task elicitation in the space of alternatives for a physician opening a new practice (SR)

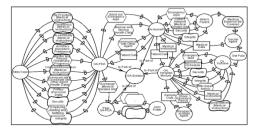
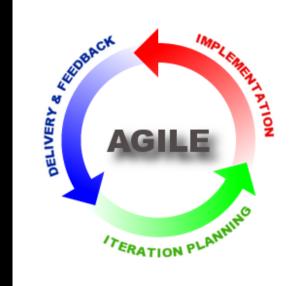
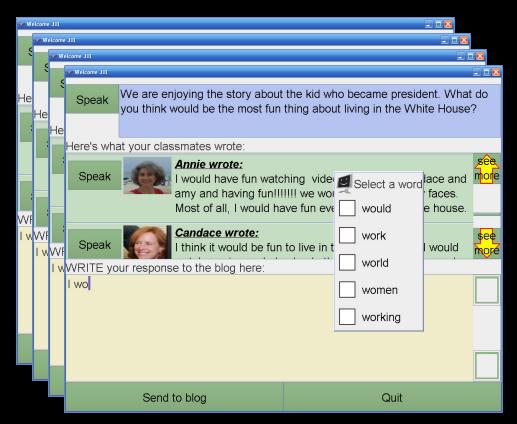


Figure 4. Dependency relationships in the GA system (SD)

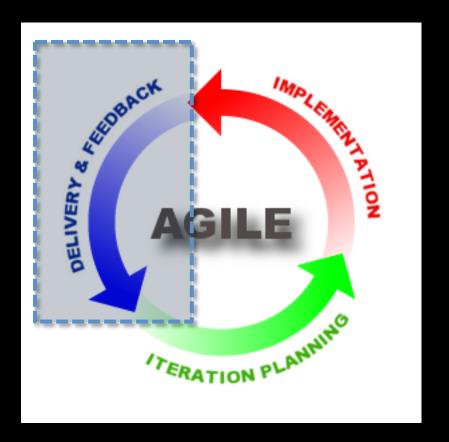




Agile Is No Problem

1. Adequate access to endusers.

2. Controlling context is not an issue.



All good so far







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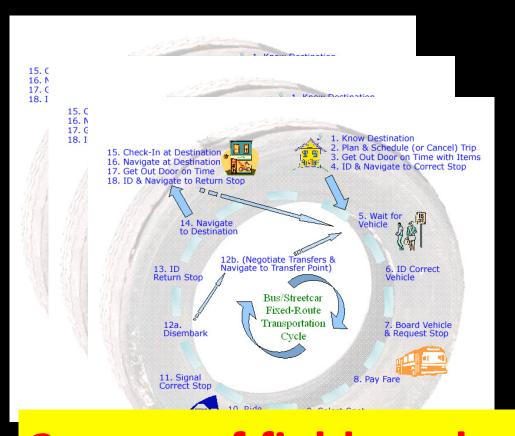


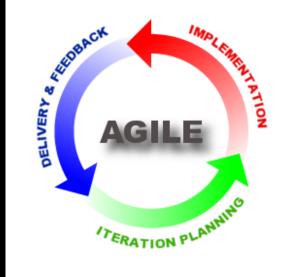
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New Focus On Mobile









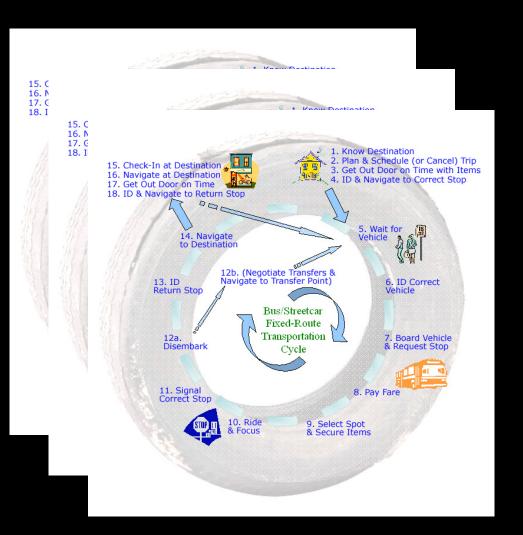
3 years of field work to get HCI requirements!

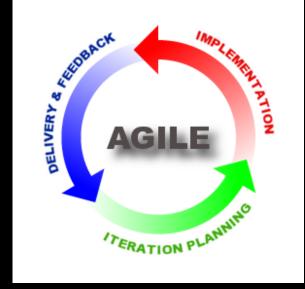
Decision To Tackle "Trips Gone Bad"

Three problems:

- a. Memory, e.g., forgetting where you are going.
- b. Loss of Focus, e.g., distracted.
- c. Anxiety, e.g., get lost and won't be able to get help.

3 More Years?





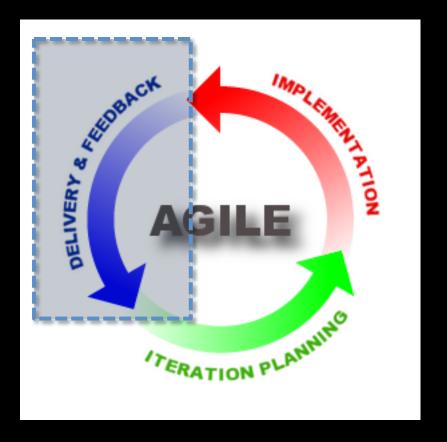


Lots of great ideas in the group on how to mitigate the 3 issues.

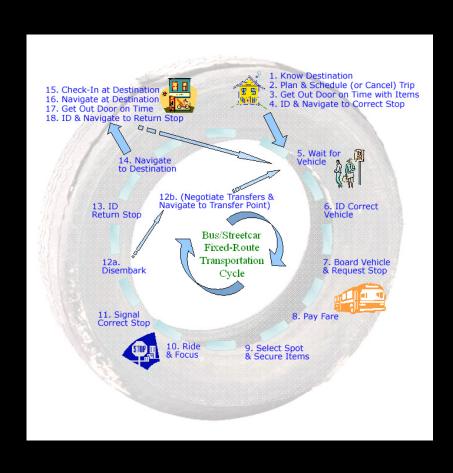
Agile Is A Problem

 Getting end-users to field sites is a problem.

Controlling testing context is a problem.



Let me give you a context sampler of public transportation



Stations can be chaotic











Buses can be crowded and noisy





Buses are delayed





Social Distractions



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Loitering youth cause problems for downtown area.







Asking For Help



Time of Day

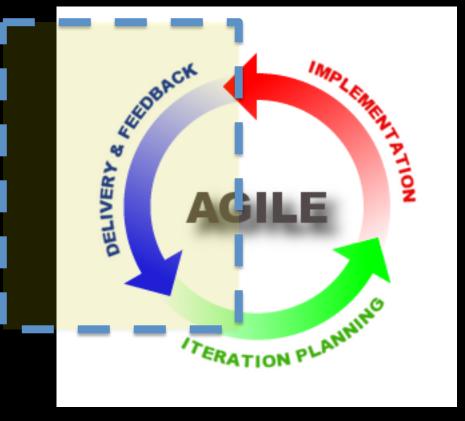




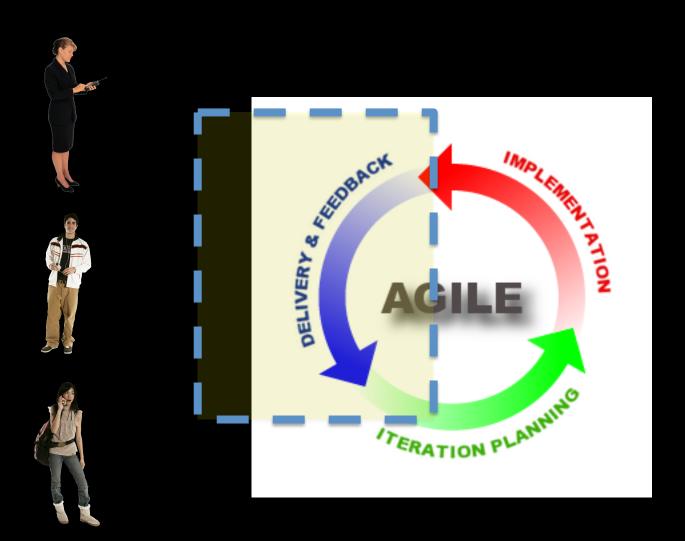


How To Control Context In Testing?





Person-Centric As Well



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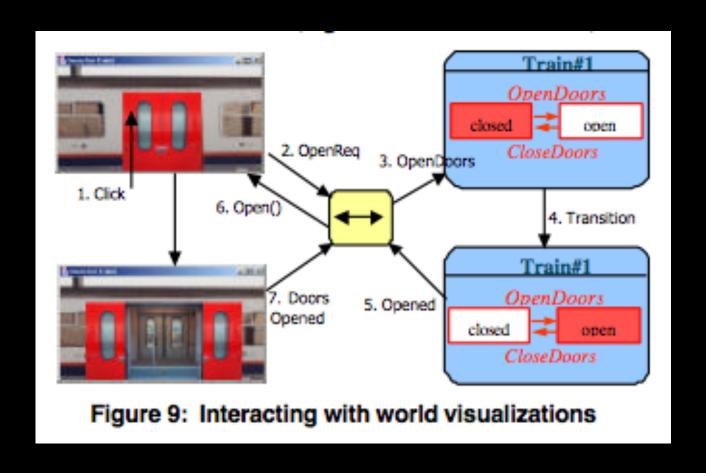
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Two Simulation Projects That Inspired Me

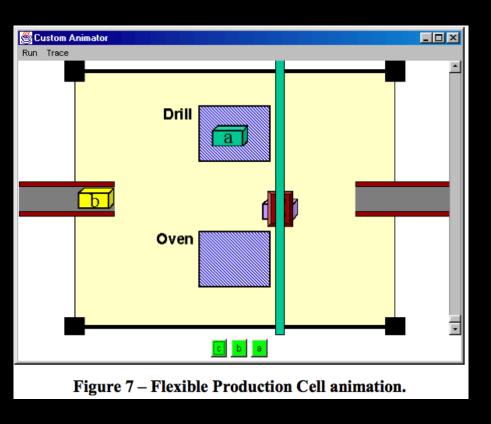
Behavioral visualization in KAOS.

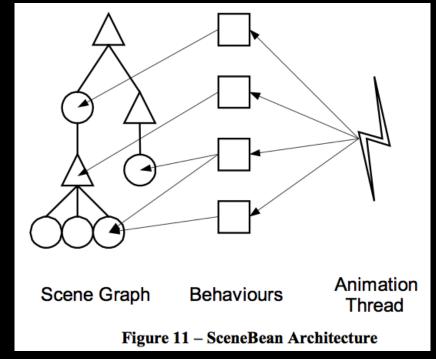
Interactive simulation in Scenebeans.

Hung Tran Van, Axel van Lamsweerde, Philippe Massonet, Christophe Ponsard. Goal-Oriented Requirements Animation. In *Proc. RE'04: 12th IEEE International Requirements Engineering Conference*



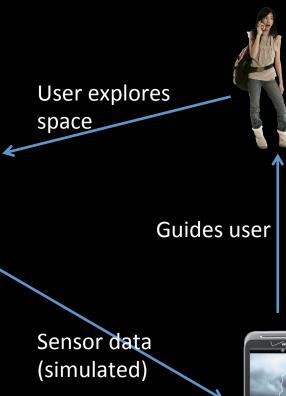
Jeff Magee, Nat Pryce, Dimitra Giannakopoulou, and Jeff Kramer. Graphical animation of behavior models. In *Proceedings of the 22nd international conference on Software engineering* (ICSE 2000).





Our Approach: Hybrid Simulation





THUNDER BOLT



We can drop the user into context of our choosing.



Our Goal: Build up simulated Eugene context

Test our apps in 3 areas:

- a. Memory, e.g., forgetting where you are going.
- b. Loss of Focus, e.g., distracted.
- c. Anxiety, e.g., lost and don't know what to do.





First Attempts Using Google Street View



Google Street View



Segue to Bus Simulator













Switched To Game Engine

Google 3D warehouse

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<u>FAQ</u>

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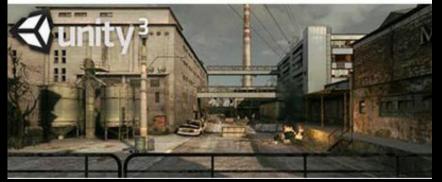
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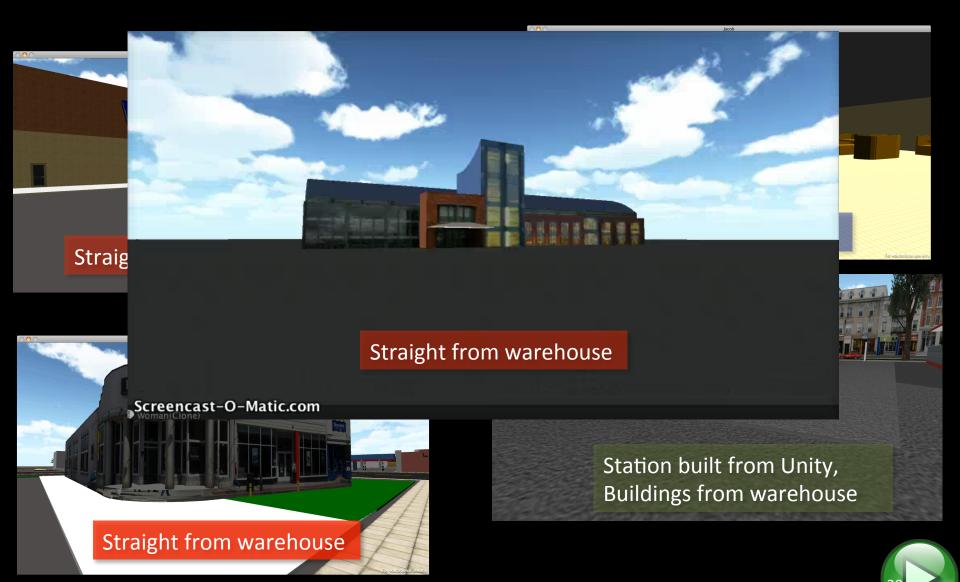








Building Infrastructure



Controlling Time Of Day







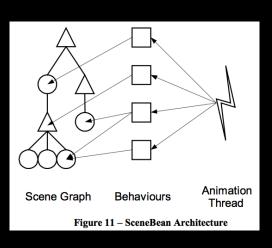
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Distractors



Sources





Behavior

Getting To The Bus



At The Station



Bus Weirdness



Simulating Sensor Data













GPS and time-of-day: no problem.

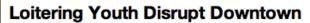
Accelerometer: working on it. Focus on sit-down and stand-up.

Ambient noise: no problem.

Photo capture: thinking about it.

The Hard Question

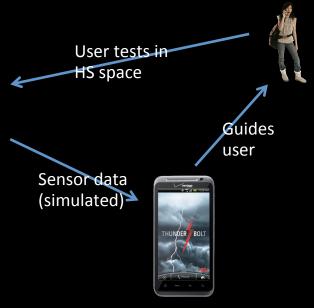


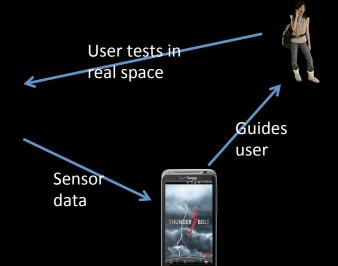


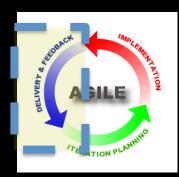
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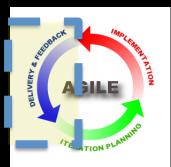












3 Studies So Far







- 1. Explore real and virtual *without* phone. Memory test at end. Rough equivalence.
- 2. Follow erroneous directions in real and virtual *without* phone. Analyze performance. Differentiated equivalence.
- 3. Disembark bus using phone reminders. Preliminary results are promising in HS.
- 4. To Do: rerun one or more of 3 year field studies in HS. Compare results.

Good News Mixed With Bad News

Physical exertion is missing (including heat/humidity).

Would like more natural dialog system.

HS is (too) safe:

- More likely to carry out dangerous activities in HS, e.g., ignore traffic.
- Less anxious about getting lost in HS.

Will This Work For You?

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We have no graphics artist in the group. Rely on Google Warehouse and mixamo.

We paid for an on-site Unity workshop – 1 day at \$1500.

We have one Java/Javascript programmer in charge of the Unity-HS + Android interface.

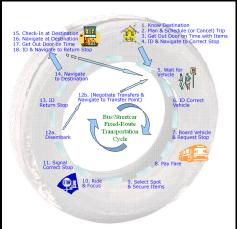
If You Happen To Have Some Graphic Art Resources

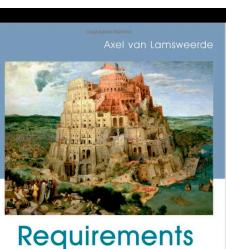


Quick Excursion

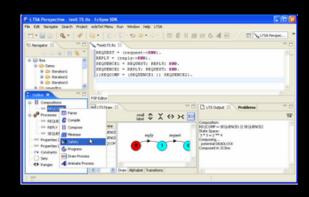


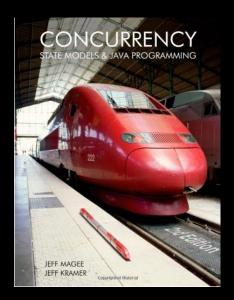


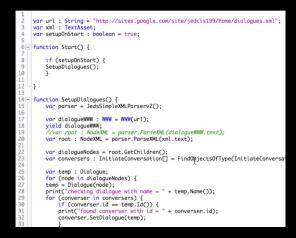




From System Goals to UML Models to Software Specifications

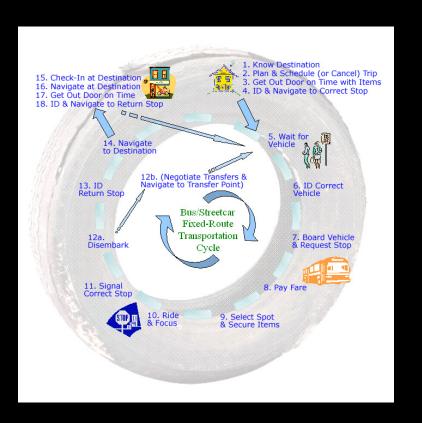




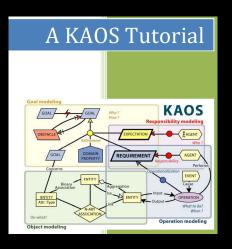


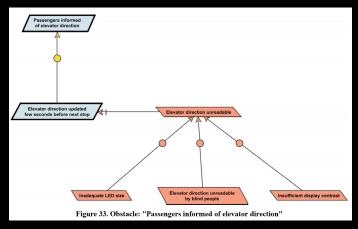


Formalizing Obstacles

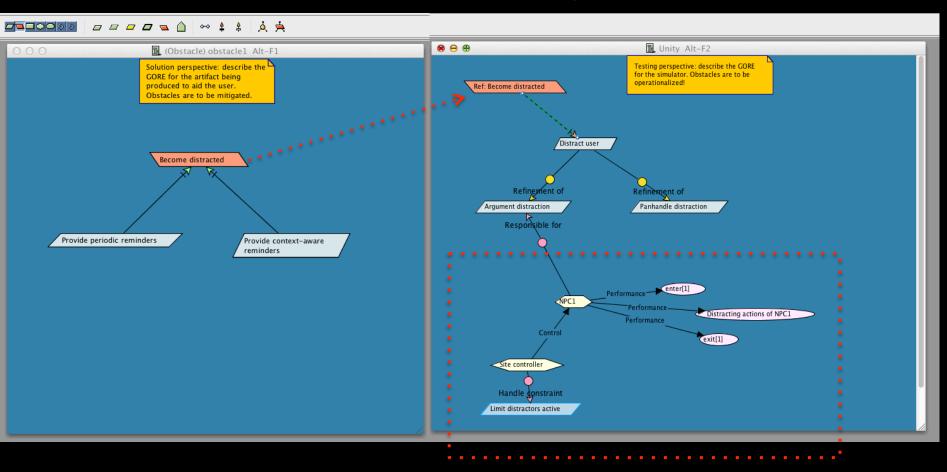




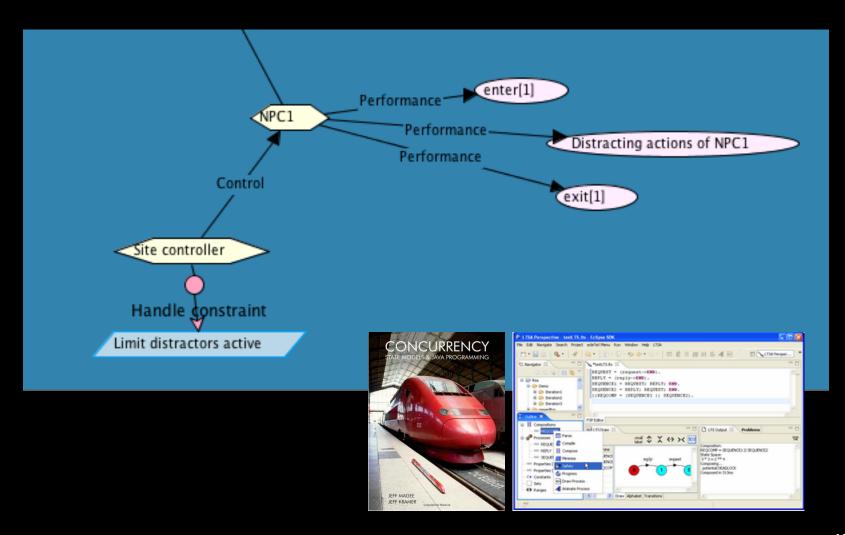




From Obstacles In Solution Space To Goals in HS Space



From Kaos To Operational Specs



Formalizing Behavior



Patterns Seem Promising

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LTSA - bus_stationv4.lts
File Edit Check Build Window Help Options
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                              Output Draw Manual Alphabet
const T = 1
const K = 3
                 //Number of NPC to draw from
                 //Max on stage at any one time
SITE MANAGER = (open -> close -> SITE MANAGER).
CONTROL = (open -> OPEN[0]),
    OPEN[i:0..N] = (when (i< N) enter[1..K] -> OPEN[i+1]
                      when (i>0) exit[1..K]->OPEN[i-1]
                      when T close->CLOSED[i]),
    CLOSED[i:0..N] = (when (i>0) exit[1..K] -> CLOSED[i-1]
                      when (i==0) allAreOut -> CONTROL).
NPC1 = (enter[1] -> npc1 distraction actions -> exit[1] -> NPC1).
NPC2 = (enter[2] -> npc2 distraction actions -> exit[2] -> NPC2).
NPC3 = (enter[3] -> npc3 distraction actions -> exit[3] -> NPC3).
||ACTORS = (NPC1 || NPC2 || NPC3).
||SITE = (ACTORS || SITE MANAGER).
||SITE SYSTEM = (SITE | CONTROL).
fluent IN[j:1..K] = <enter[j],exit[j]>
assert SITE IS EMPTY = [](allAreOut -> !IN[1..K])
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```
var url : String = "http://sites.google.com/site/jedcis199/home/dialogues.xml";
     var xml : TextAsset;
     var setupOnStart : boolean = true;
    function Start() {
         if (setupOnStart) {
9
         SetupDialogues();
10
11
12
13
    function SetupDialogues() {
15
         var parser = JedsSimpleXMLParserv2();
16
17
         var dialogueWWW : WWW = WWW(url);
18
         yield dialogueWWW;
19
         //var root : NodeXML = parser.ParseXML(dialogueWWW.text);
20
         var root : NodeXML = parser.ParseXML(xml.text);
21
22
         var dialogueNodes = root.GetChildren();
23
         var conversers : InitiateConversation[] = FindOpjectsOfType(InitiateConversation
24
25
         var temp : Dialogue;
26
         for (node in dialogueNodes) {
27
         temp = Dialogue(node);
28
         print("checking dialogue with name = " + temp.Name());
29
         for (converser in conversers) {
30
             if (converser.id == temp.Id()) {
31
             print("found converser with id = " + converser.id);
32
             converser.SetDialogue(temp);
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