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Title of Session

Cognitive Theory and Key Technologies for Educational Robots

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Zhuming Nie is a professor and PhD Supervisor of the School of Educational Science at Anhui Normal University, the executive dean of the Institute of Intelligent Education of Anhui Normal University, the deputy director of Information Management Center of Anhui Normal University, and a visiting scholar of Southwest College in the United States. He has also served as the director of Global Chinese Conference

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Fulong Chen is a professor and doctoral supervisor of Anhui Normal University, reserve candidate for academic and technical leaders in Anhui Province, and Wenjin scholar and famous teaching teacher of Anhui Normal University. Now he is the vice dean of School of Computer and Information of Anhui Normal University, the director of Anhui Engineering Research Center of Medical Big Data Intelligent System, and

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Details of Session

The educational robot is a representative of the application of robotics in the field of education and is a typical application of artificial intelligence, speech recognition and bionic technology in education. It is aimed at developing students' analytical, creative and practical skills. The future goal of educational robots is to think, act and interact like 'real people'. Cognitive theory, artificial intelligence, speech recognition and bionic technology are the underlying theories and key technologies for the future development of educational robots and the criteria for assessing the applications of educational robots for implementation. However, educational robots are in the early stages of development, facing many problems such as insufficient teaching, poor feedback and lack of perceptiveness. There is an urgent need to build educational cognitive maps, improve learner models, innovate question-and-answer and dialogue systems, accurately describe key state information such as learners' emotions and concentration, and design typical application models based on key supporting technologies in the field of artificial intelligence. It also uses the basic theories of cognitive science and disciplines such as psychology and education to strengthen research in knowledge mapping, machine learning, natural language processing and affective computing to help learners achieve their learning goals at different stages and meet their core needs such as a sense of autonomy, competence and belonging.

The invited session invites original papers of innovative ideas and concepts, new discoveries and improvements, and novel applications relevant to the following selected topics of "Cognitive Theory and Key Technologies for Educational Robots".

- Cognitive Theory of Educational Robotics
- Educational Cognitive Map
- Learner Models
- Educational Question and Answer and Dialogue Systems
- Robot Teachers
- Special Education and Safety Education Robots
- Educational Robot Application Models