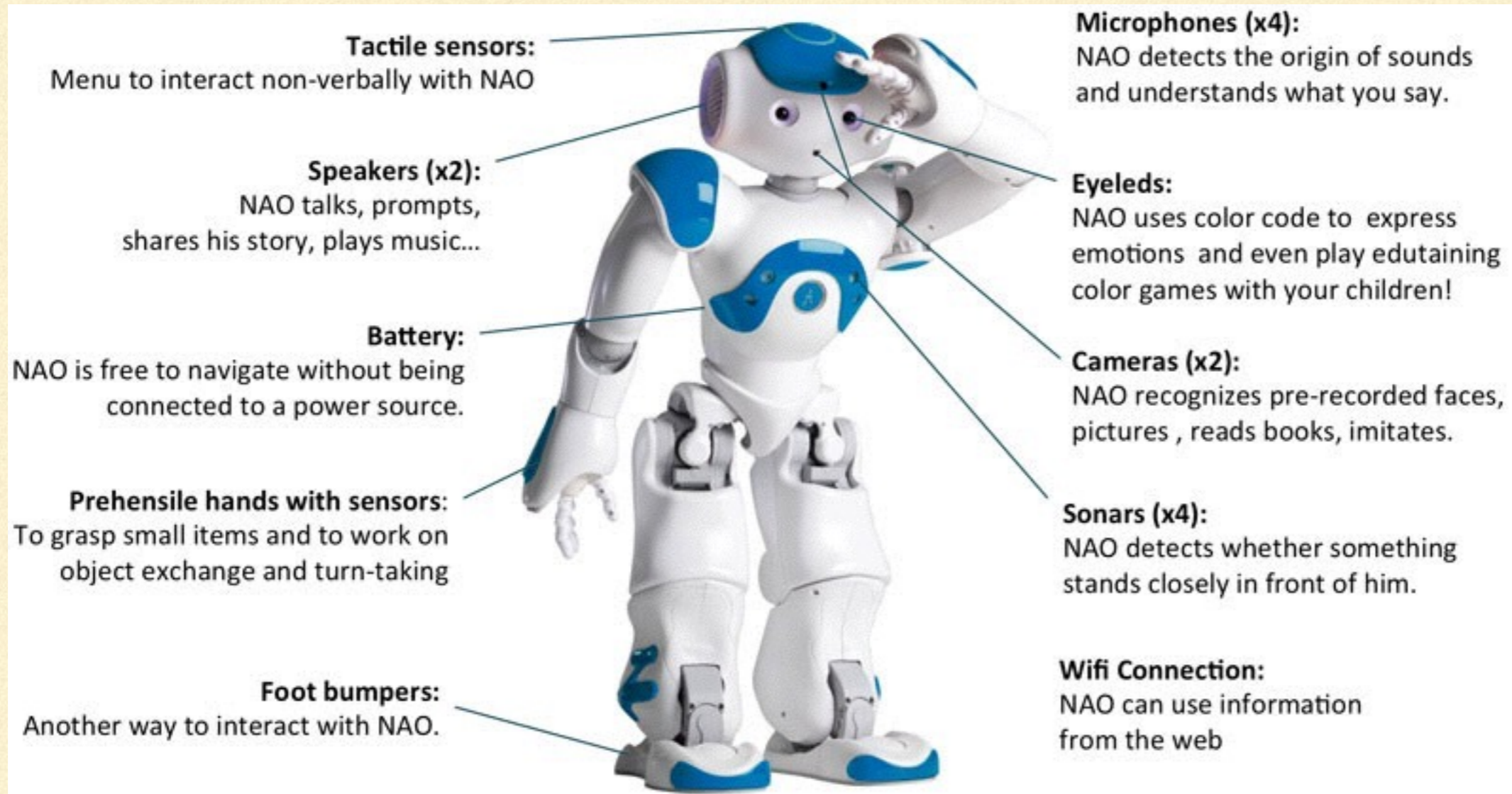




ROBOT DEMO



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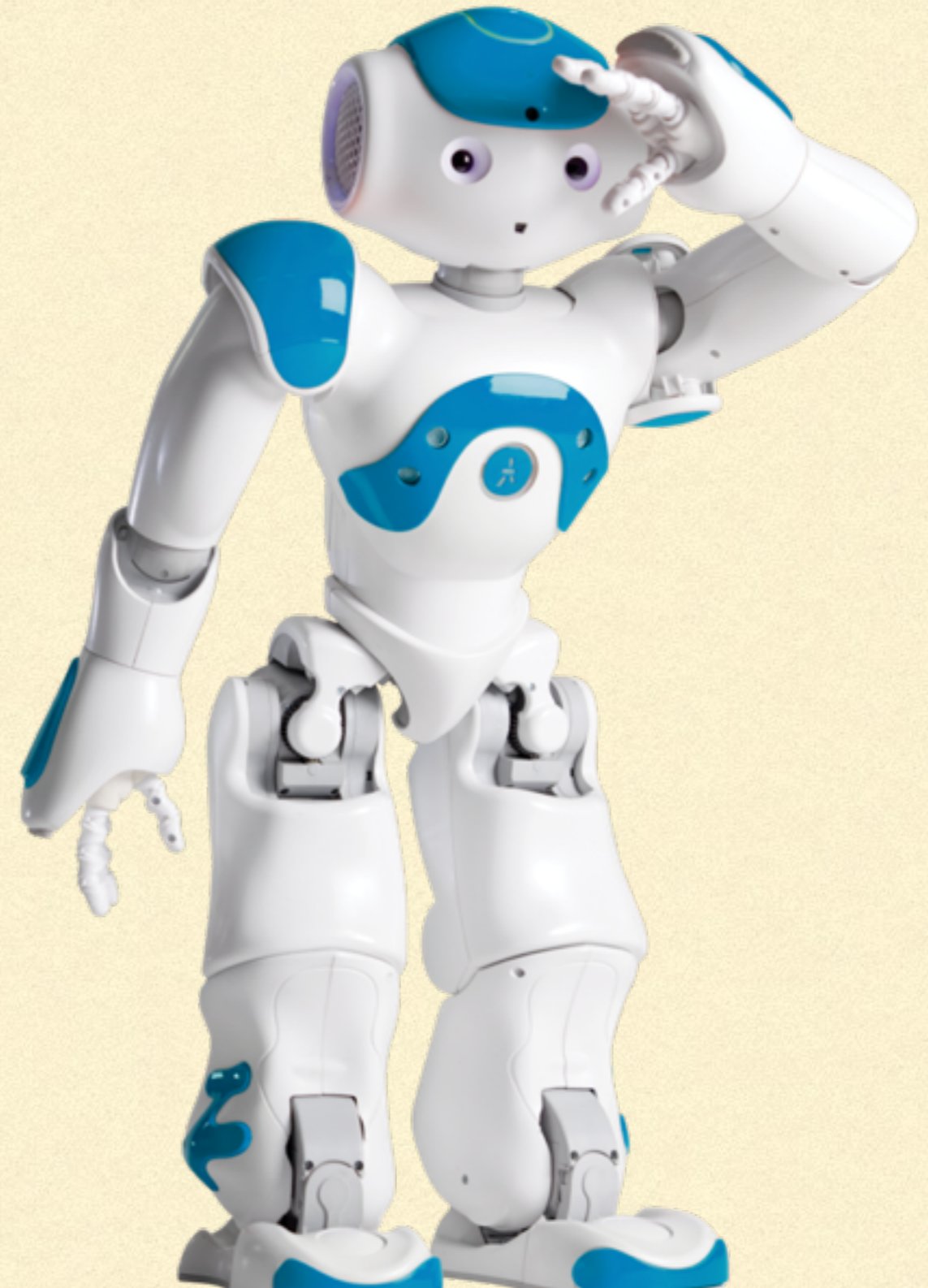
IBM WATSON ROBOTICS

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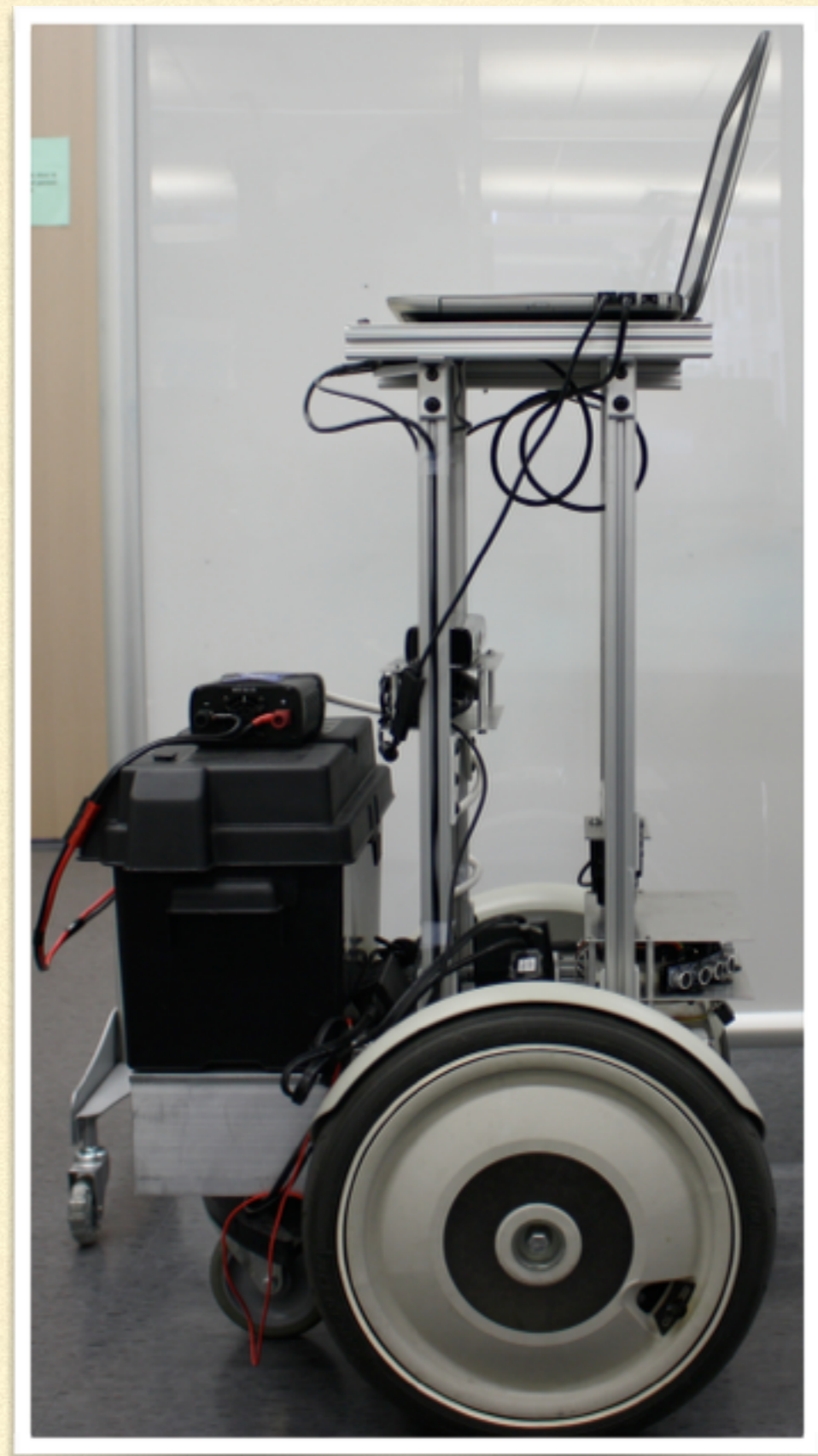
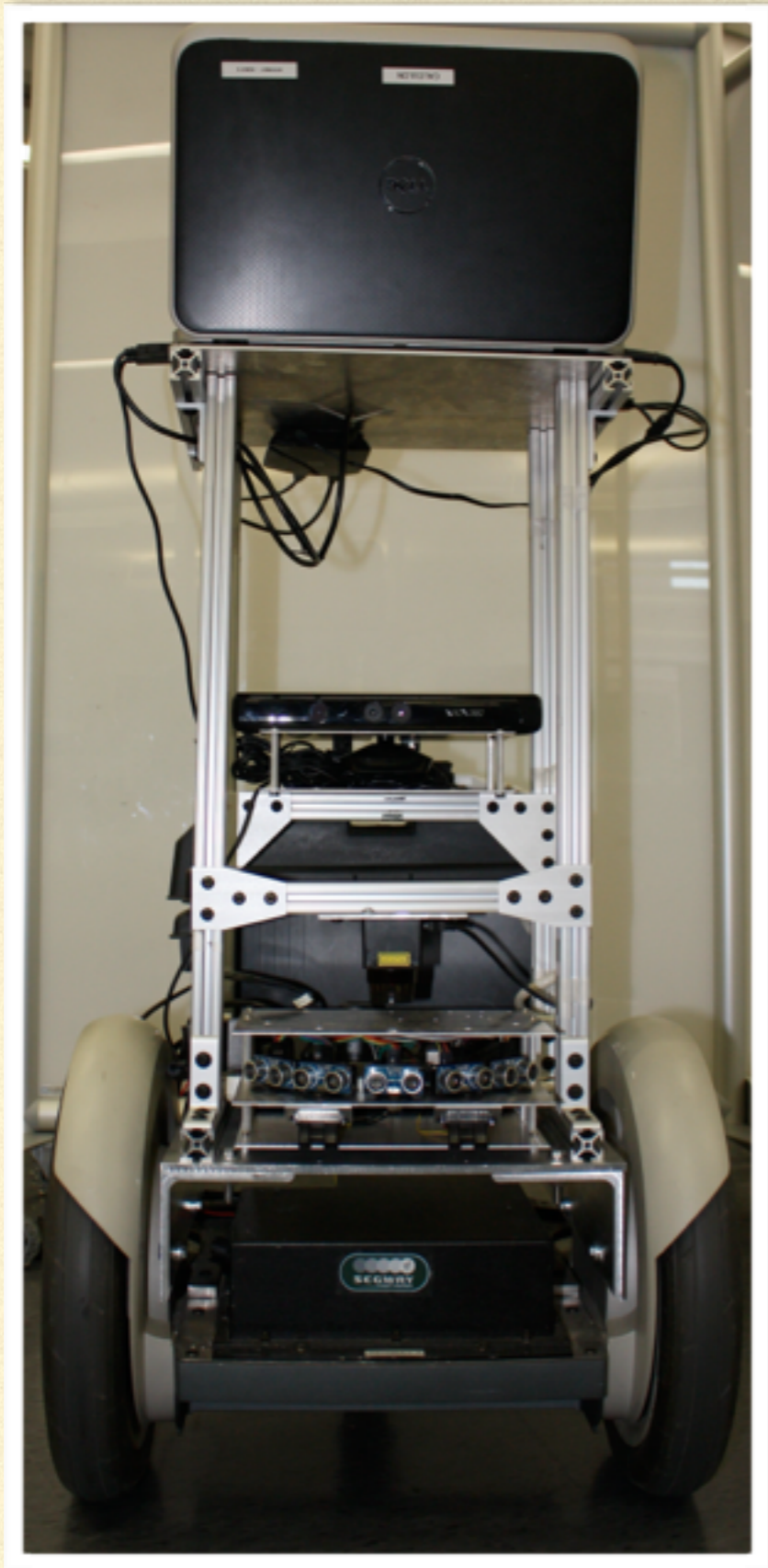
Overview

- PRELIMINARIES
- WHY IBM?
- WHAT WE ARE DOING WITH ROBOTS?
- PAST WORK
- CURRENT WORK
- CHALLENGES
- ROBOTICS OPERATING SYSTEM



WHO AM I?

- Ali Unwala
 - UT Austin Undergraduate + Graduate
 - Started by doing something else
 - Graduate work
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WHAT IS YOUR DEFINITION OF A
ROBOT?

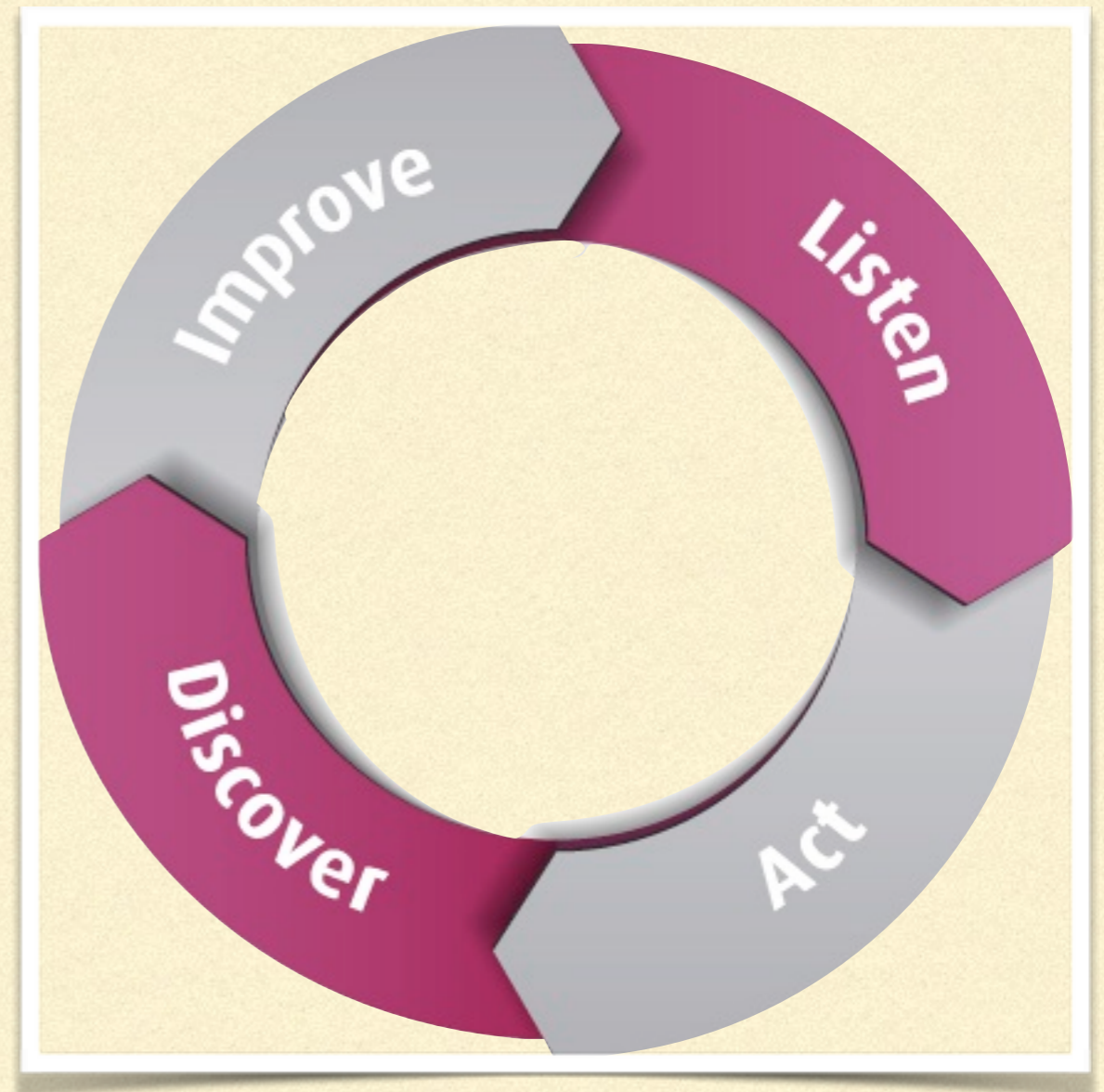
WHAT IS A ROBOT?

- From Wikipedia:
 - A robot is a mechanical or virtual artificial agent, usually an electro-mechanical machine that is guided by a computer program or electronic circuitry. Robots can be autonomous or semi-autonomous and [have a variety of forms]



WHAT IS A ROBOT?

- My opinion:
 - A robot is any computer system that has multiple sensors. Which has closed loop feed back with sensor data from the real world.



THE THREE LAWS OF ROBOTICS

- (Isaac Asimov, The caves of steel , Galaxy No. 13, 1950.)
 1. A robot may not injure a human being or, through inaction, allow a human being to come to harm.
 2. A robot must obey the orders given to it by human beings except where such orders would contradict with the First Law.
 3. A robot must protect its own existence, except where such protection would contradict with the First and Second Laws
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WHERE DOES IBM FIT INTO ROBOTICS?

- Within the Watson group we offer many SAAS based services.
 - TTS, STT, Personality Insights, Q/A, Dialouge, NLC...
- Great way to test all the services on one platform at the same time.



WHERE DOES IBM FIT INTO ROBOTICS?

- We also are focused on the brain over lower level control problems.





AlchemyAPI
IBM



Concept Expansion
IBM BETA



Concept Insights
IBM



Dialog
IBM BETA



Language Translation
IBM



Natural Language Classifier
IBM



Personality Insights
IBM



Question and Answer
IBM BETA



Relationship Extraction
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Speech To Text
IBM



Text To Speech
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Tradeoff Analytics
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Visual Recognition
IBM BETA



Cognitive Commerce™
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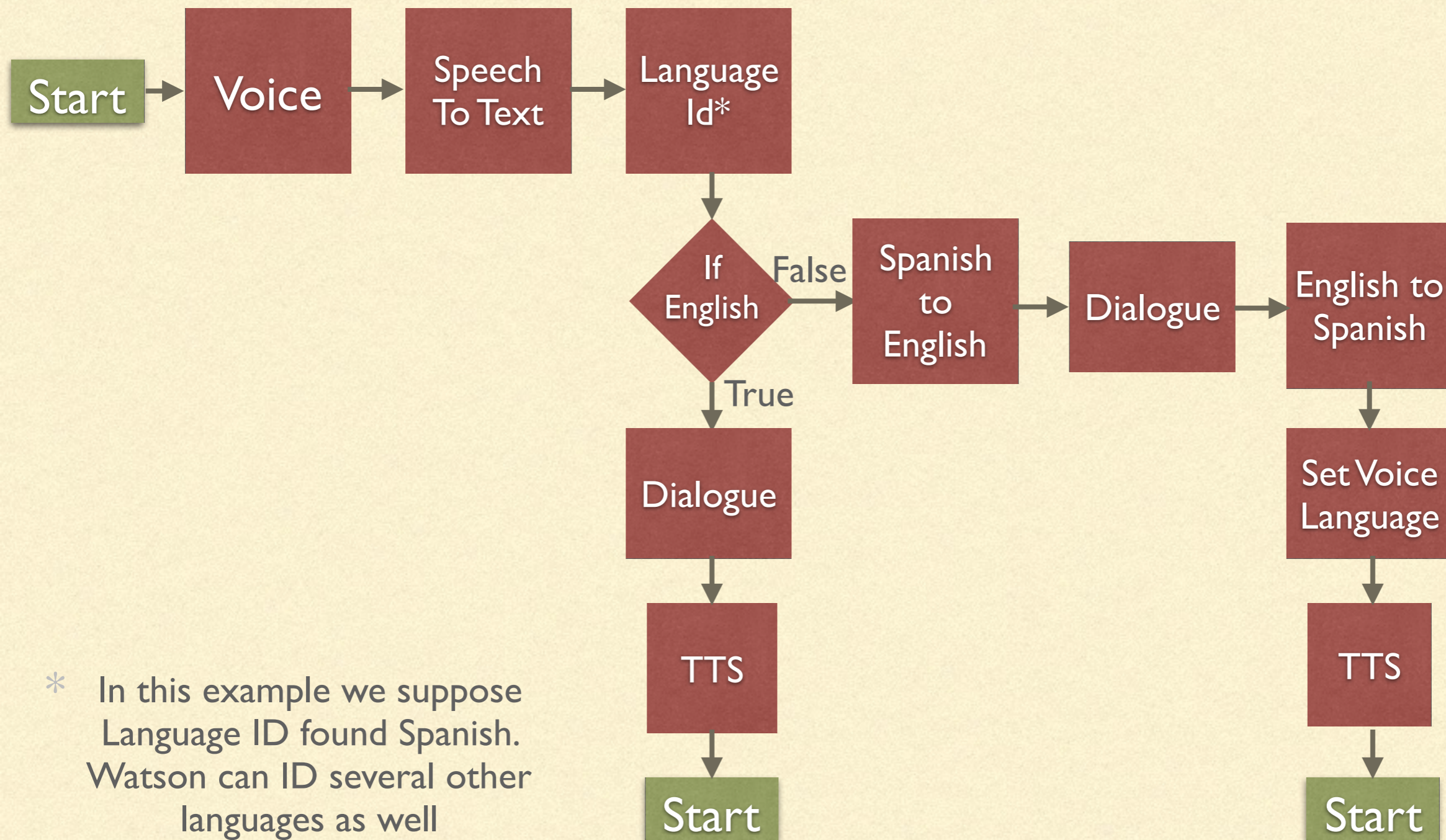


Cognitive Graph
Third Party



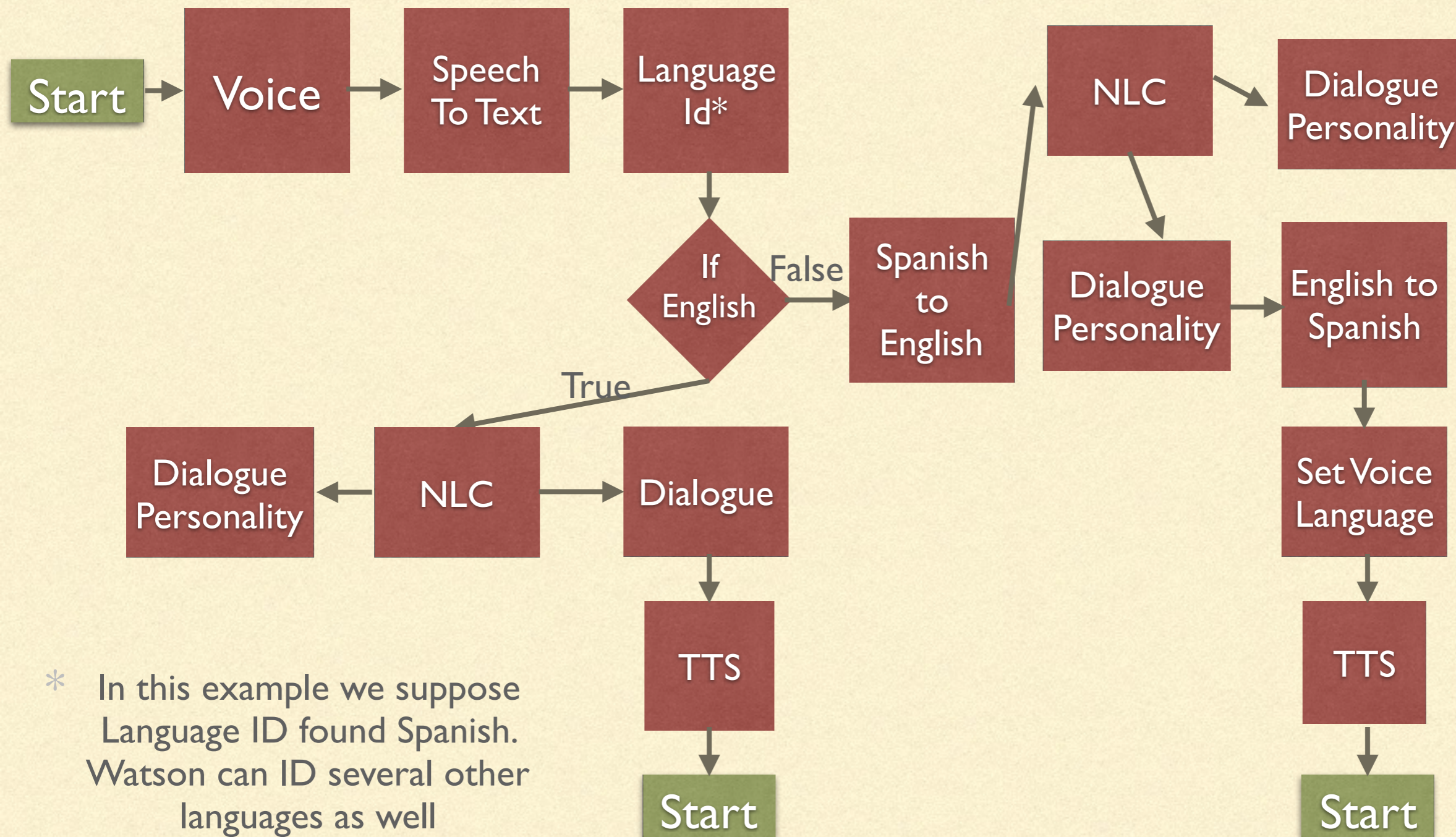
Cognitive Insights™
Third Party

SIMPLE USE CASE - THE MULTILINGUAL GREETER



* In this example we suppose Language ID found Spanish. Watson can ID several other languages as well

SIMPLE USE CASE - THE MULTILINGUAL GREETER



OTHER USE CASES - WITHOUT ARMS

- Toys for learning and talking to
 - Cataloging information
 - Inventorying shelves
 - With arms
 - Hotel concierge
 - The possibilities become endless!
 - Park avatars
 - Home buddy
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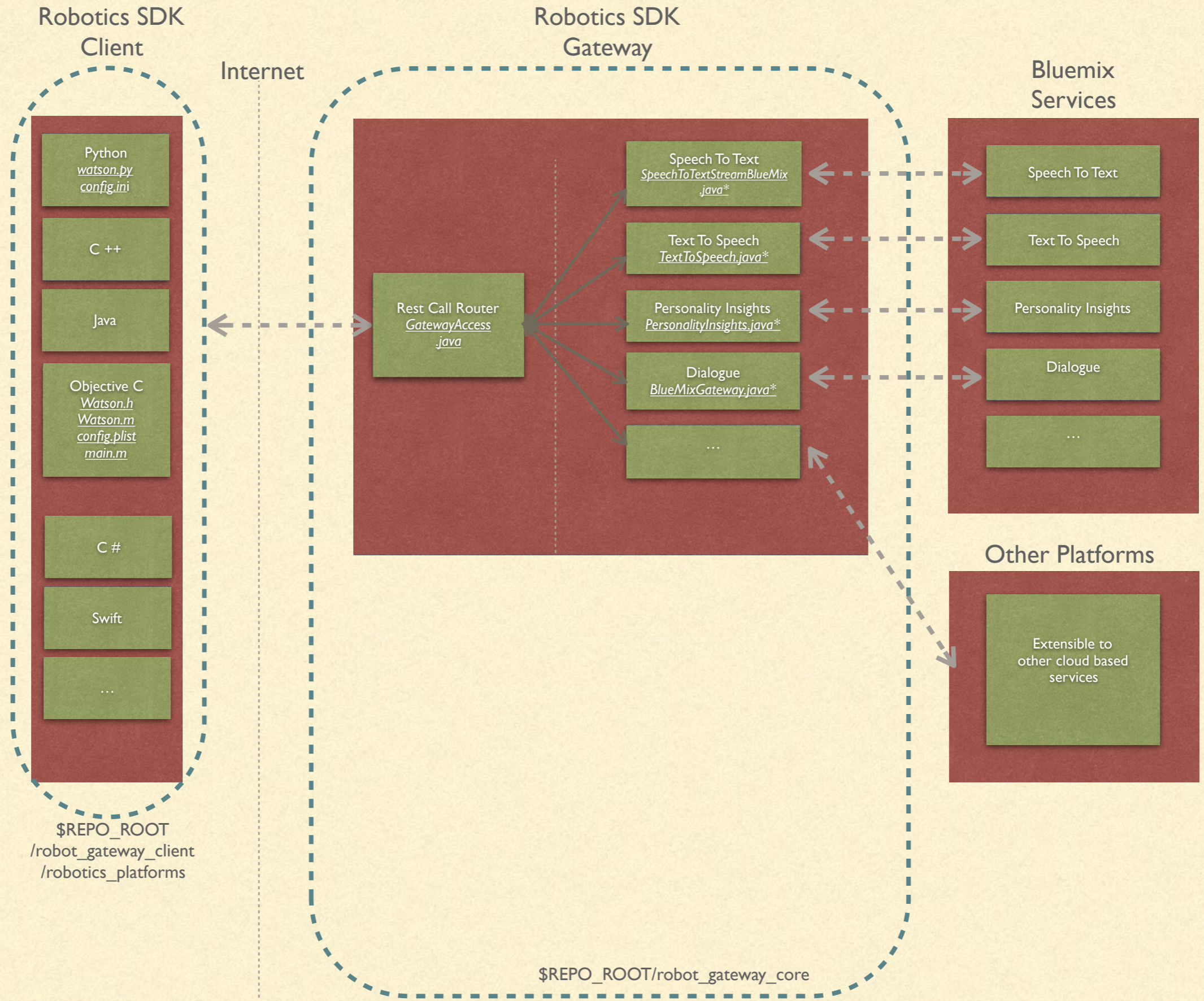
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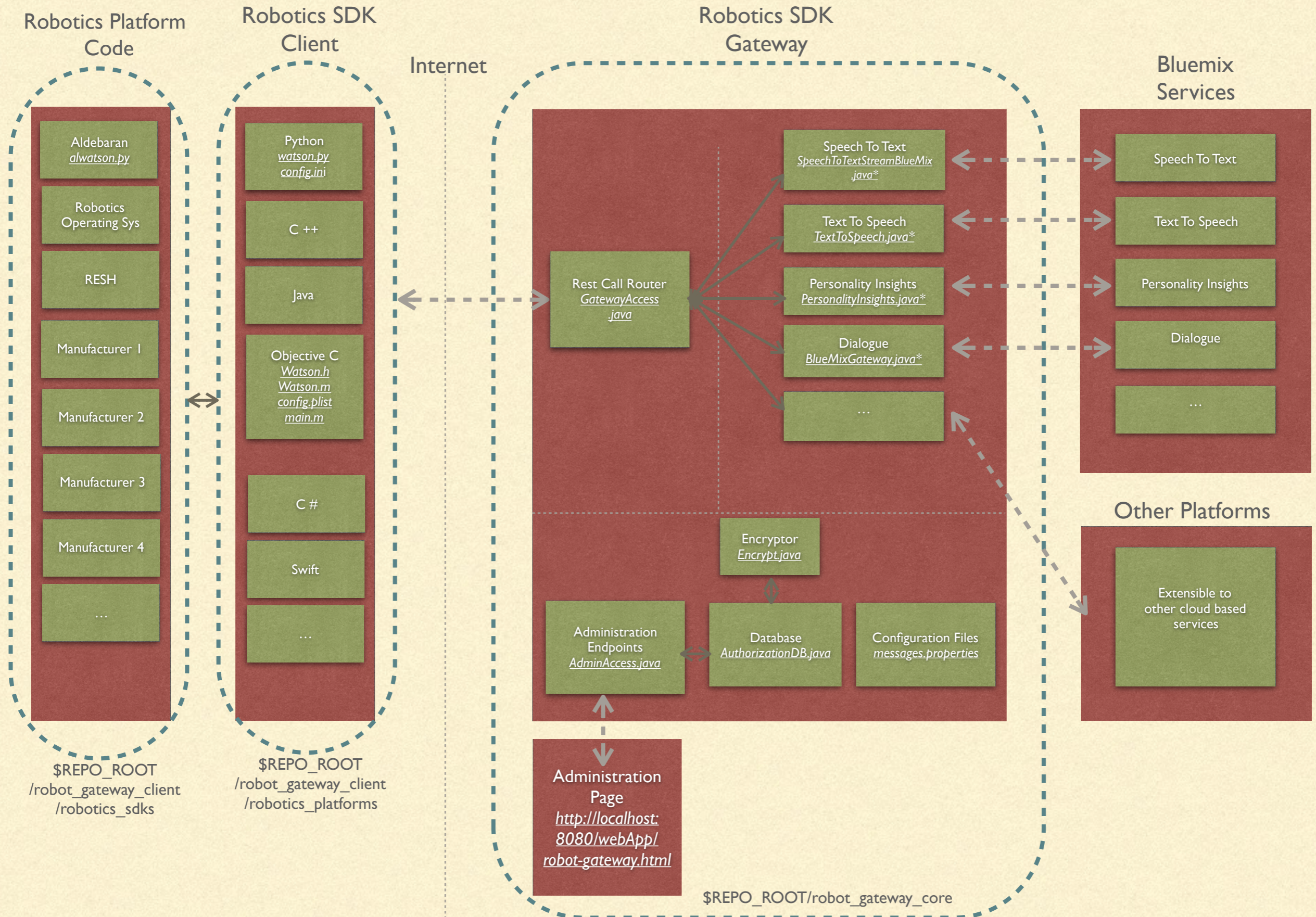
- Chef Watson Task
 - Watson Trivia Game
 - Dances/Offline Scripts
 - On Stage Demos
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ROBOTICS SDK

- Right now Watson is lacking true sensor based services.
(Alchemy API now has a few)
 - Lots of powerful services are on Bluemix
 - Bluemix AI services are not “Necessary” they are merely useful
 - At least today
 - How to get this to a user fast and efficiently
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Robotics SDK Overview





Legend

Rest Call



Function Call



Logical Component



Subcomponent



Extends BlueMixGateway.java



File that implements functionality

filename.ext

ROBOTS SDK END GOAL

```
import watson
w = watson.Watson()
s = w.translate( p , 'English' , 'French' , None , None )
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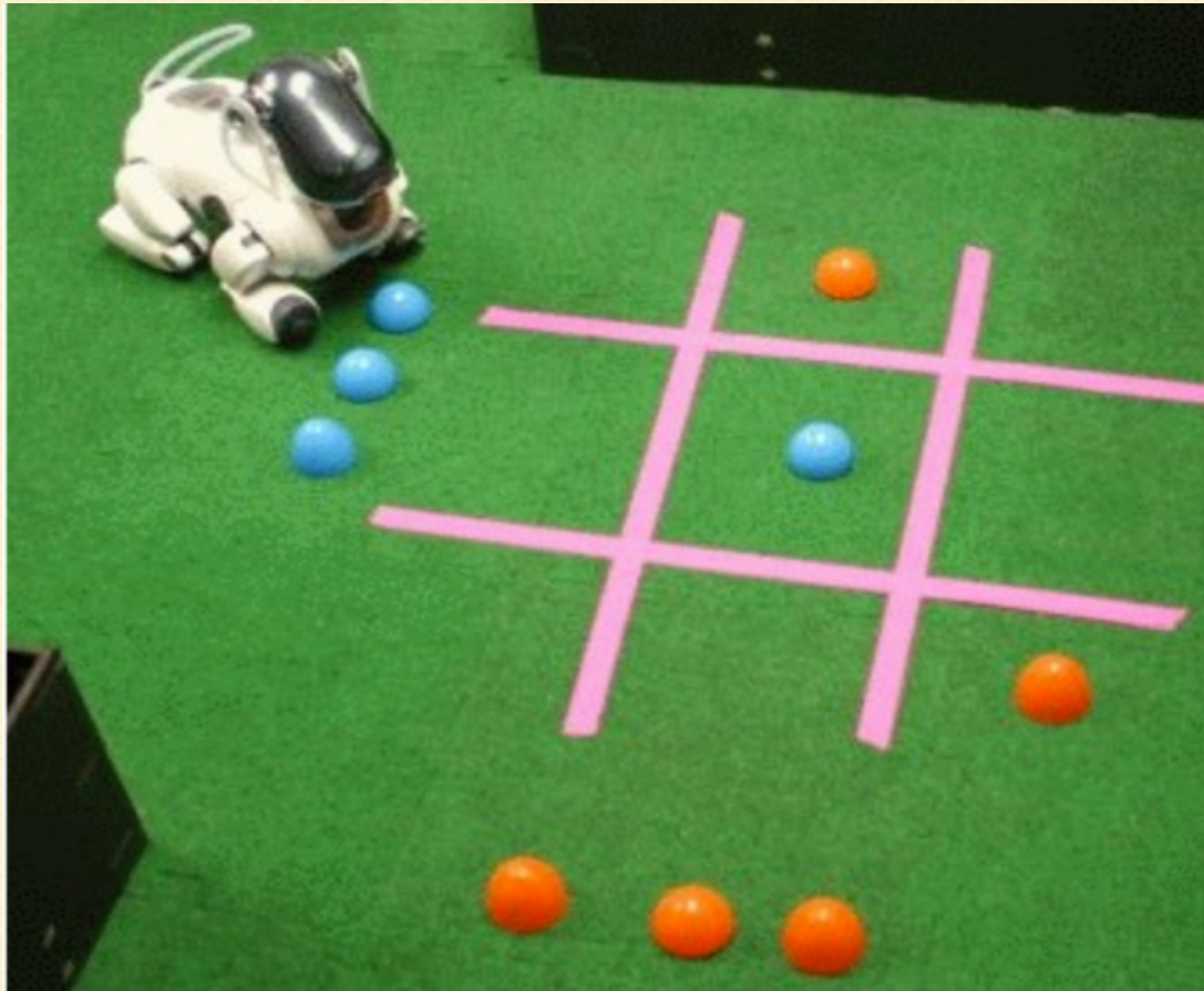
RESH ARCHITECTURE

- The SDKs goal is for enablement to use AI services on a Robot
 - RESH is a new on-going research area by TRL that is looking into how to build an on-robot code architecture
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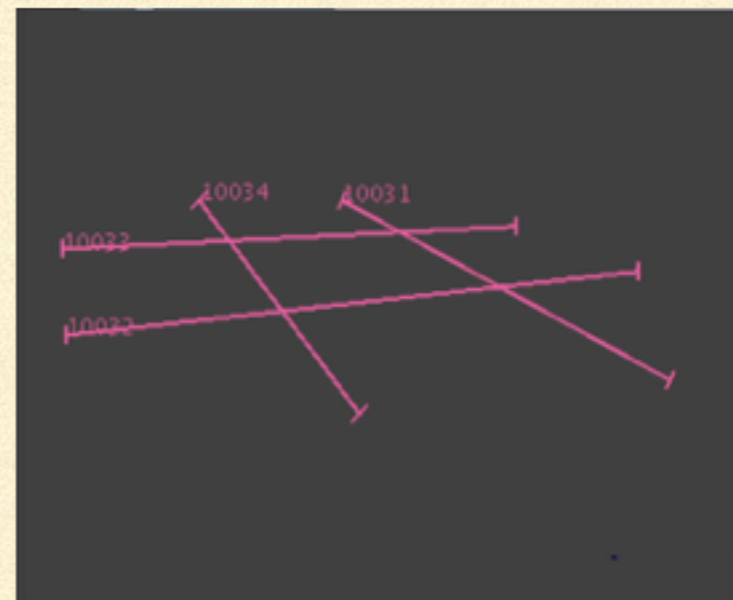
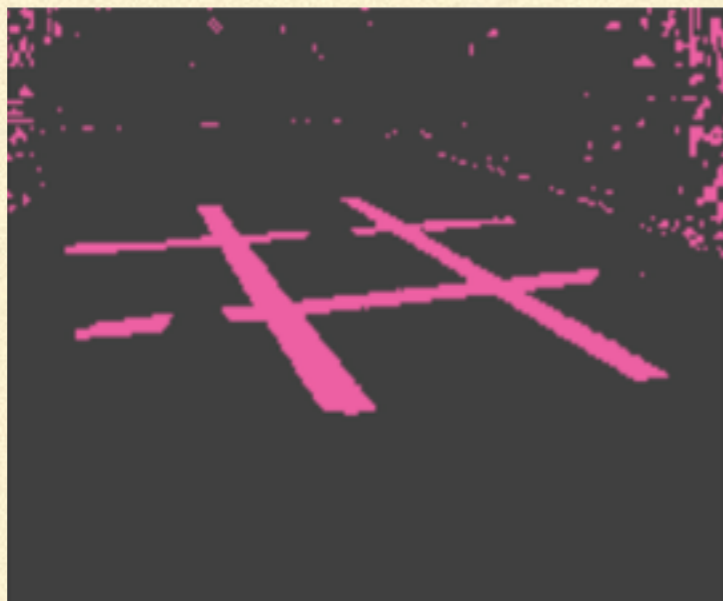
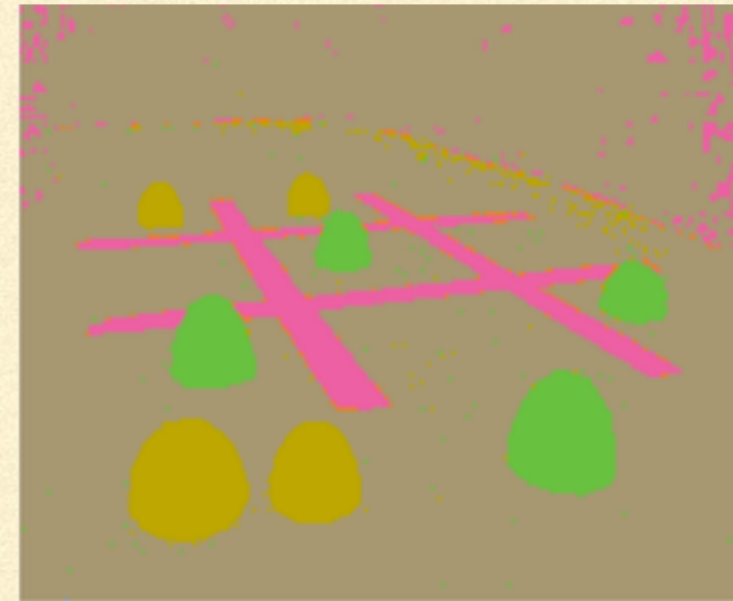
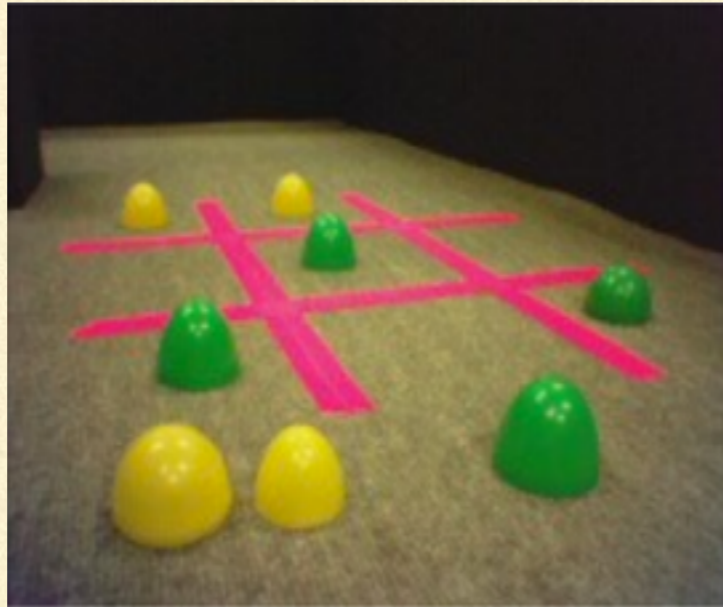
CHALLENGES

- Vision
 - Navigation
 - Reasoning
 - Actuator Kinematics (Arms)
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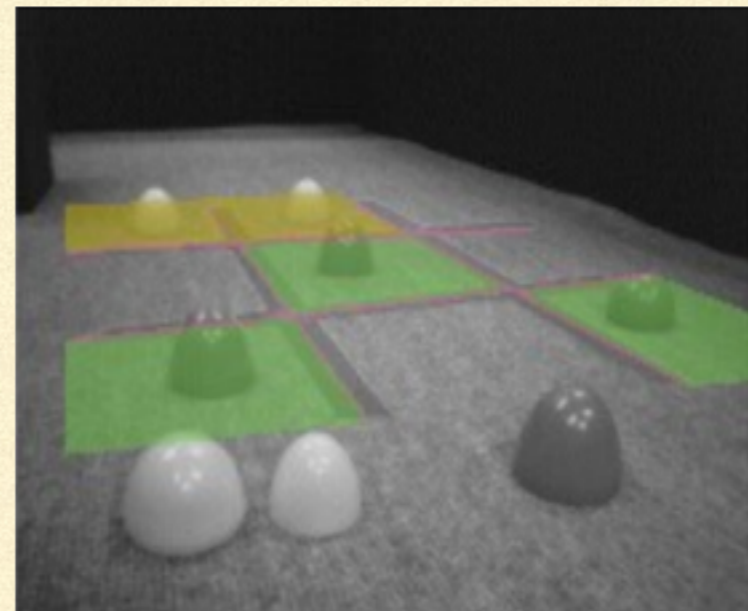
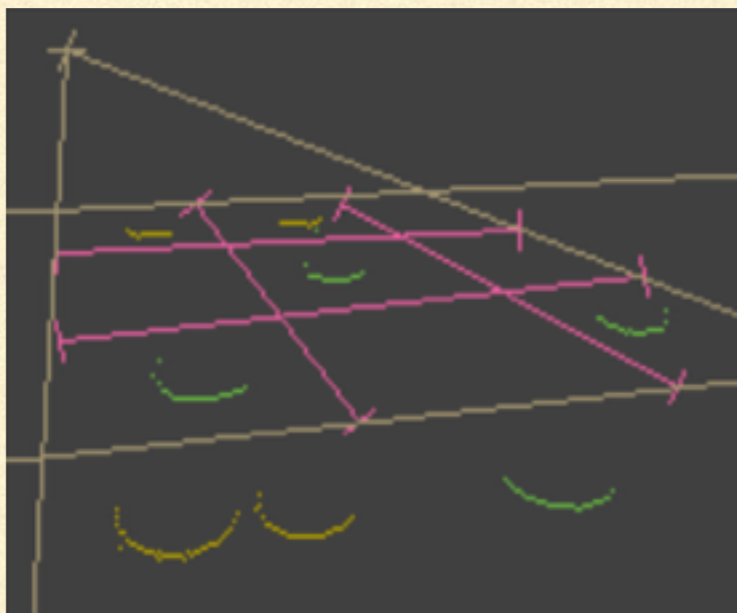
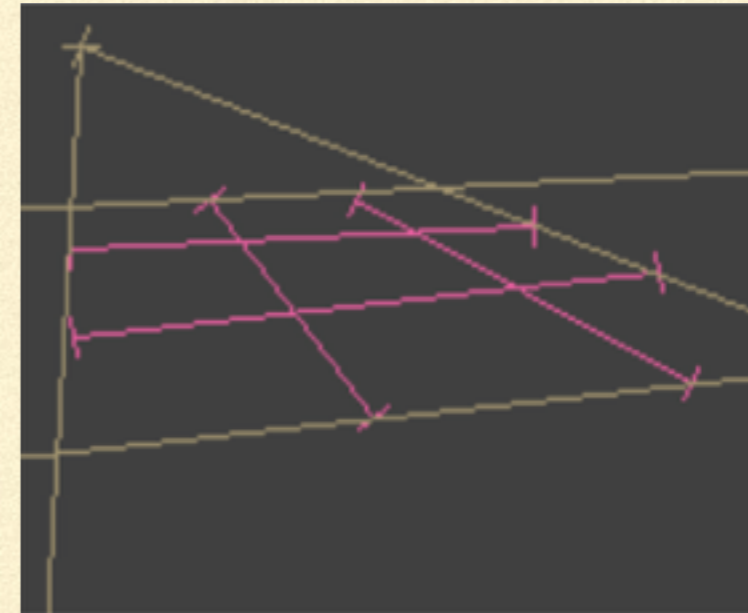
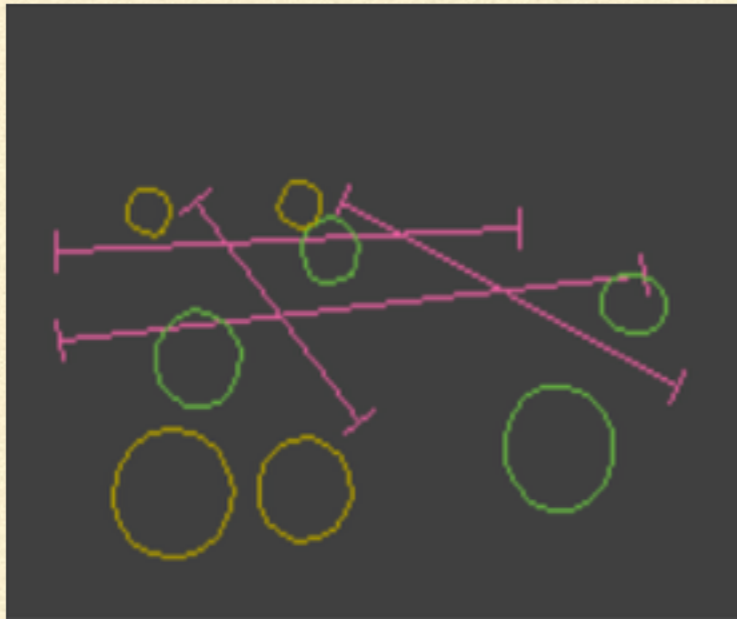
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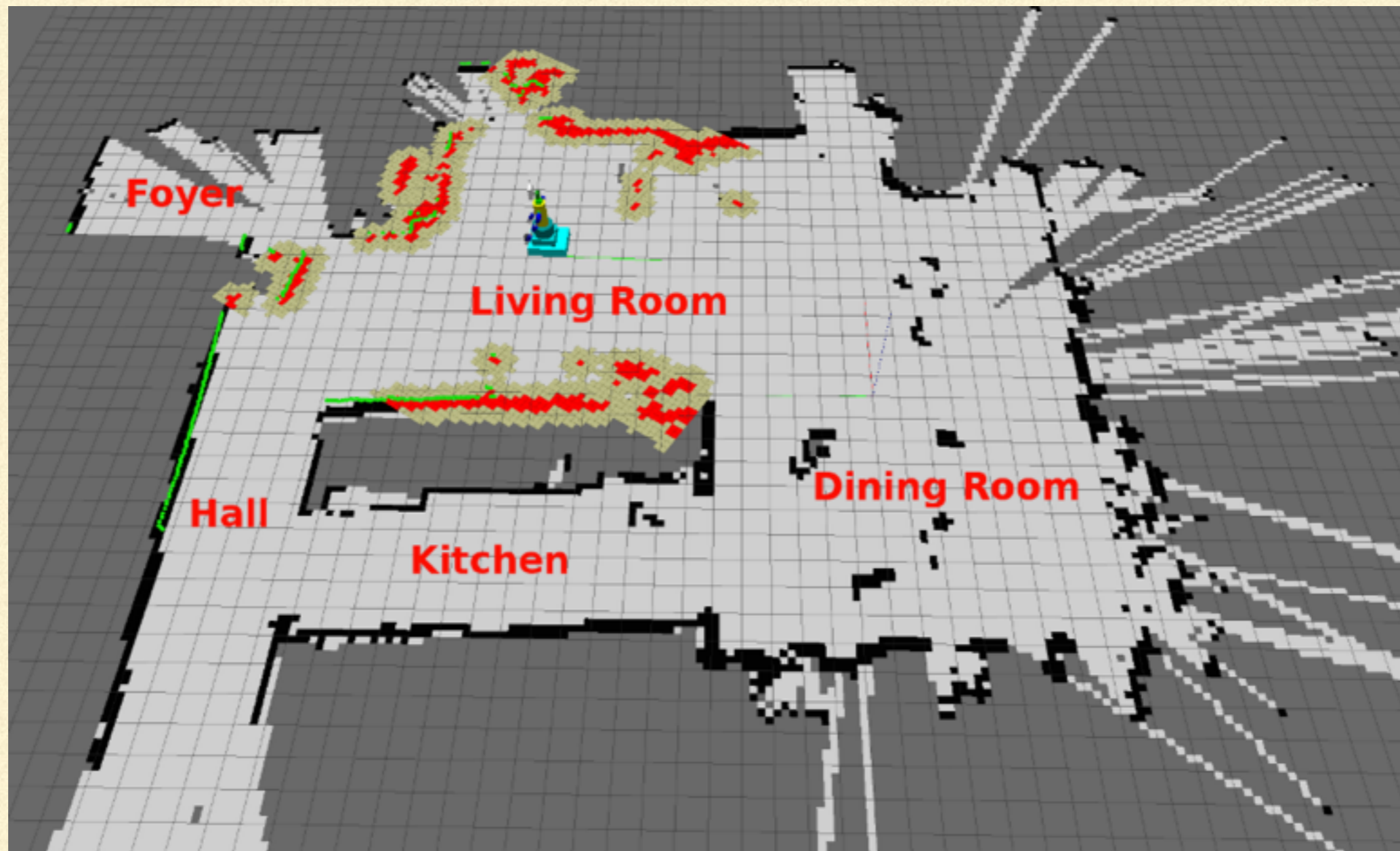
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NAVIGATION



REASONING

- Very tricky area
 - No good way to merge knowledge bases
 - Very hard to represent partial things - spork
 - Need a true learning & continuously retraining approach here
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BUILDING YOUR OWN ROBOT

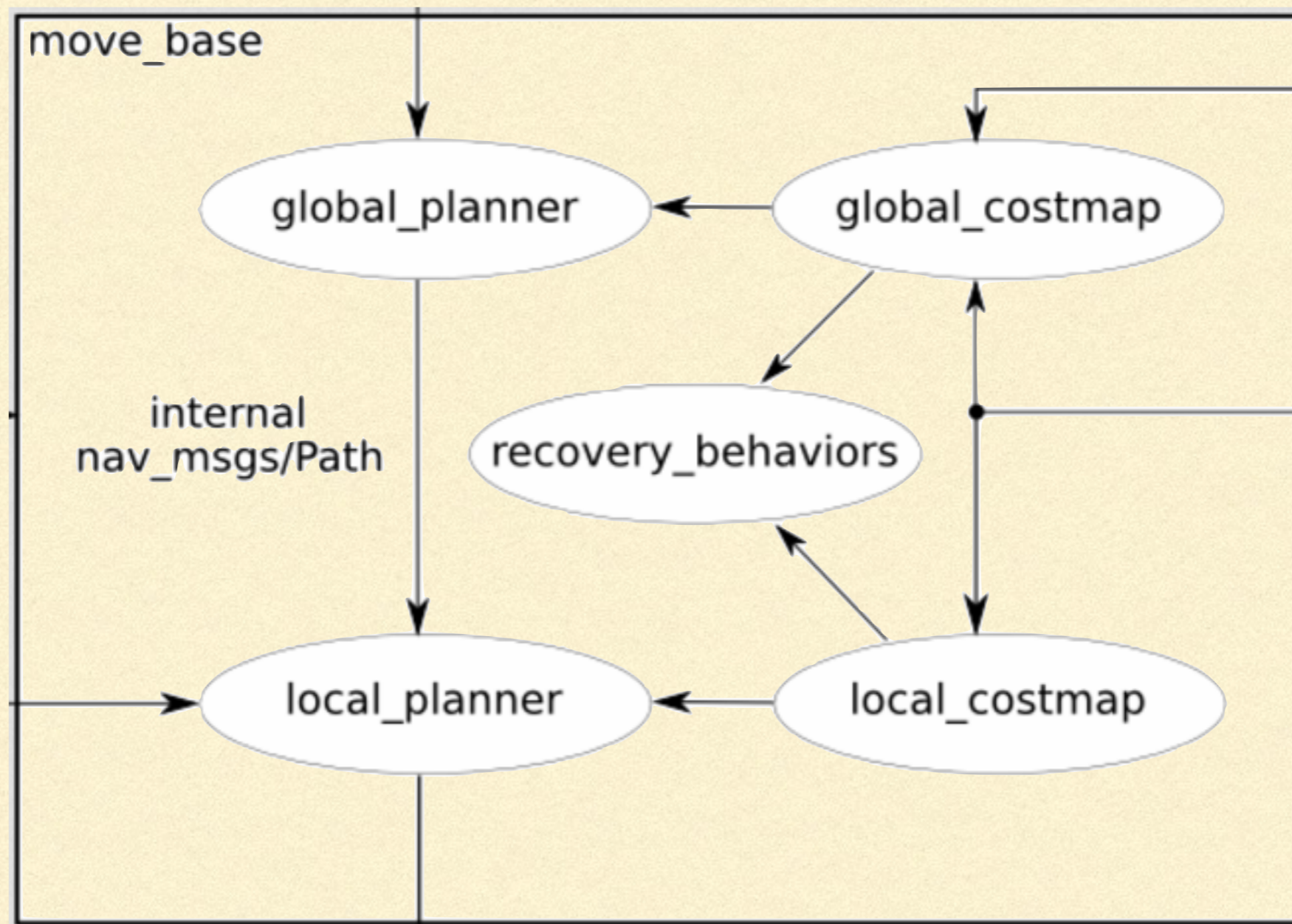
- Robotics Operating System (ROS)
 - Starting with Consumer Parts
 - Sensor Placement
 - Software Stack
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ROBOTICS OPERATING SYSTEM

Definition:

- ROS is an open-source, meta-operating system. It provides hardware abstraction, low-level device control, message passing.
- Code within ROS is a loosely confederated system of nodes that are dynamically able to grow. Each node has forced interface conditions.

ROS CODE CONCEPT



HARDWARE AND ROS

- If you buy ROS-supported consumer parts you can prototype fast!
 - Driver Level Code
 - ROS Wrapper Code
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SOME SUPPORTED SENSORS



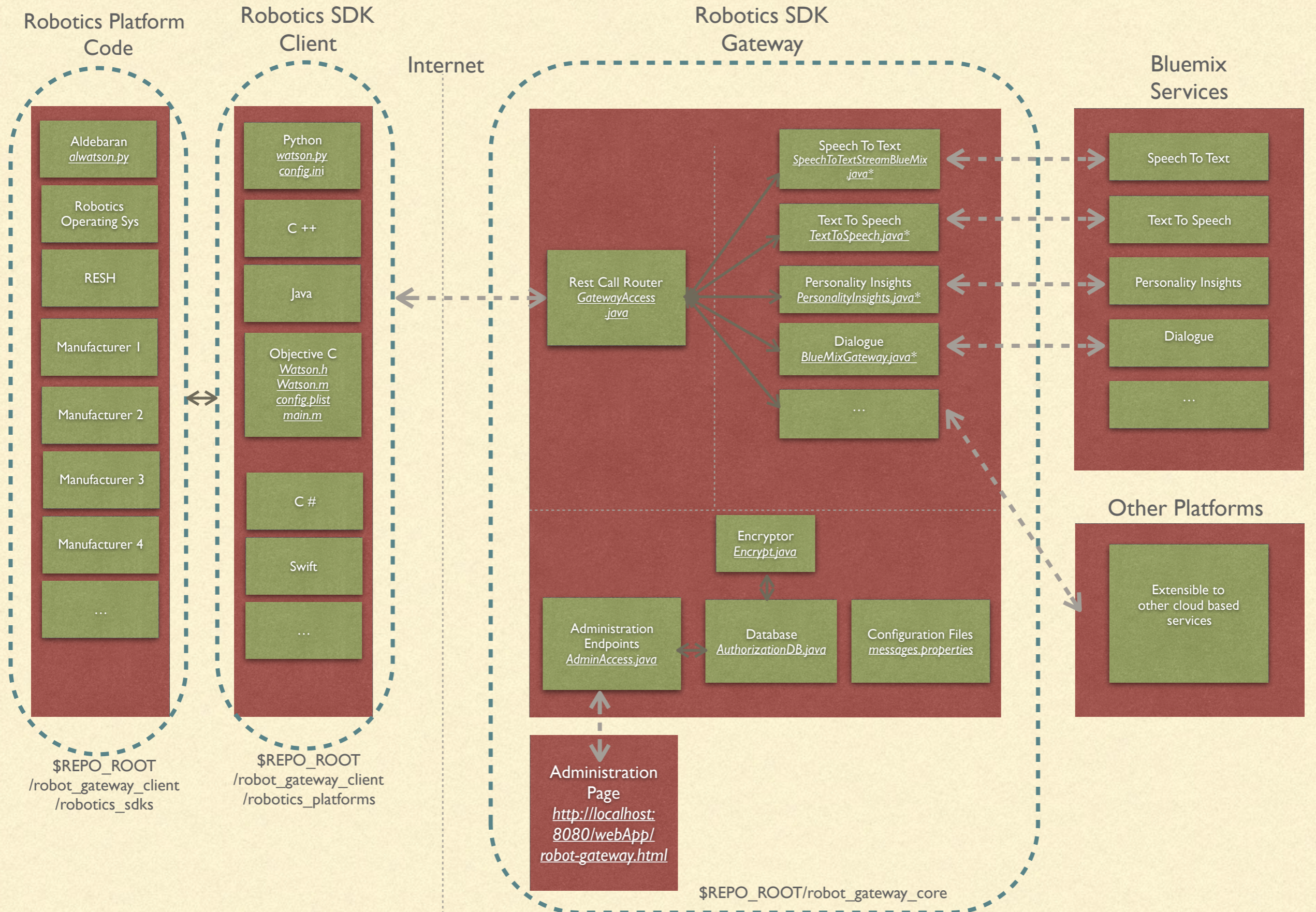
THATS ALL FOLK'S

Any questions?



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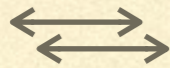
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