Work in Progress:

Promoting Self-Regulation for Children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder with Robots

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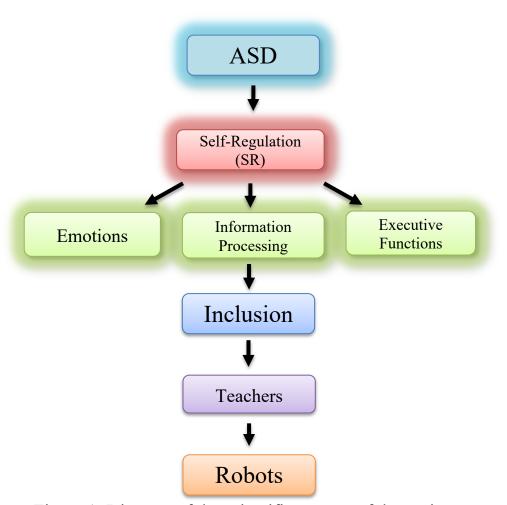


Figure 1: Diagram of the scientific context of the project

- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- Self-Regulation (AR) = conscious process by which the individual directs their emotions, actions, and thoughts toward a specific goal (Carver & Scheier, 2011; cited by Vohs & Baumeister, 2016).
 - **→** Central to learning
- People with Intellectual Disabilities (ID): SR Deficiency
 (Whitman, 1990)

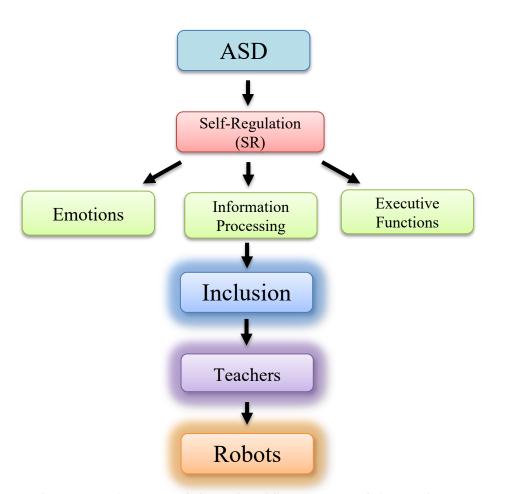


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- « Inclusive School »: Students with Special Educational Needs
- Challenges for teachers:

Linking working conditions + integration of a new tool

- Social Robot Facilitates: Engagement and Attention (Azizi & al., 2023)
- Increases: robot/child interactions; caregivers' perception (Dinet et al., 2021)
- Ecological Context robots' integration
- **4A Integration Model** (Acceptability, Acceptance, Adoption, Appropriation) (Bauchet, 2020).

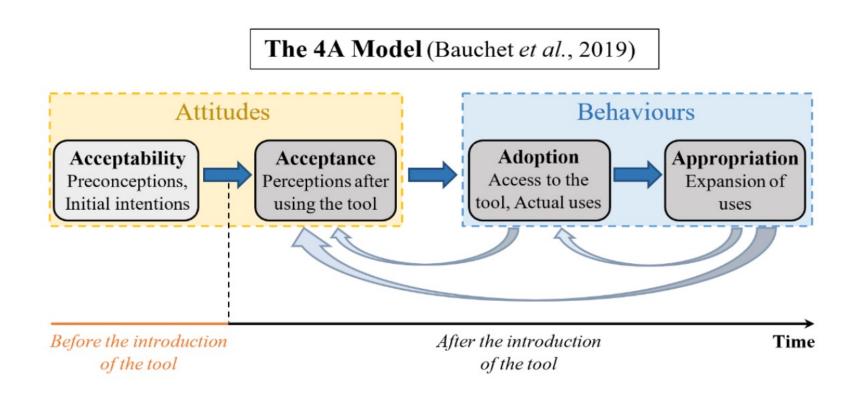


Figure 2: The 4A Model

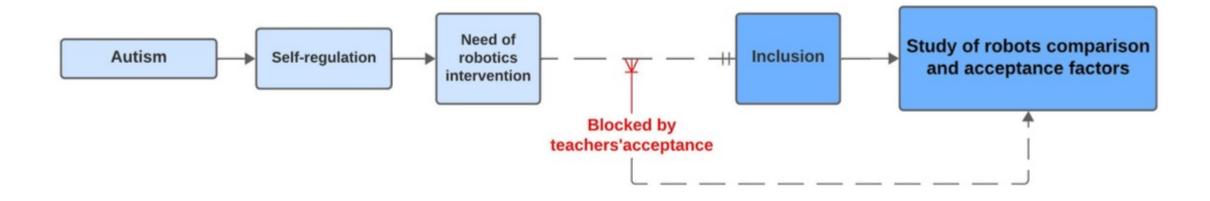


Figure 3: Proposition of a visual presentation of our subject

2. Method

To what extent can a robot be integrated into an adapted educational system in order to develop the Self-Regulation of a child with Autism Spectrum Disorder?



H2: Robot facilitates children's SR via a learning effect.

H3: Robot integration = user experience (the user's acceptance of the tool)

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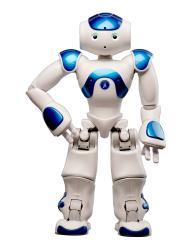
- ✓ The target sample is 50 to 70 children between 3 and 11 years of age
- ✓ With Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- ✓ National Education Teaching Units within the perimeter of the Nancy Metz Academy
- ✓ Teaching Units of the J.B Thiéry Association, in collaboration with the pedagogical and educational team.

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3. Perspectives

➤ Deliver a guide: Digital Integration in Teaching Units

> Structuring Knowledge: Self-Regulation and Robotic Use

➤ Future Studies: Inclusive Education and Digital



Thank you for listening!



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