Watch your tongue: A point-tracking visualisation system in Blender

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Capabilities

- Reads in EMA data from NDI WAVE or from many pre-recorded file types
- Manipulates the positional data in intermediate server (eg. head-correction, filtering, delay)
- Displays point-tracking data in Blender Game Engine
- Moves articulator 'rigs' and uses game controls for intuitive use and interpretation

System Architecture



Screenshots P Status Dynamic camera control with avatar Connecting lines shown for debugging Multiple viewports Pause screen with keyboard commands

Multi-modal inputs



Data manipulation for research

- Turn head-correction on/off
- Filter, transform or delay before displaying
- Play pre-recorded trajectories

Gamification in Blender

- Overlay videos of ultrasound/webcam/goal articulation into game
- Use GUI/Python to set obstacles/goals
- Visual manipulations such as hiding or highlighting elements

EMA for speech feedback

- English speakers learning Japanese (June S. Levitt and William F. Katz. "The effects of EMA-based augmented visual feedback on the English speakers' acquisition of the Japanese flap: a perceptual study". In: Proc. Interspeech. 2010)
- Japanese speakers learning English (Atsuo Suemitsu, Takayuki Ito, and Mark Tiede. "An electromagnetic articulography-based articulatory feedback approach to facilitate second language speech production learning". In: Proc. of Meetings on Acoustics. 2013)
- Optispeech (William Katz et al. "Opti-Speech: A Real-Time, 3D Visual Feedback System for Speech Training". In: Proc. Interspeech. 2014)
- Differences between L1 and L2 pronunciation trajectories (Martijn Wieling et al. "Comparing L1 and L2 speakers using articulography". In: Proc. 18th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences. 2015)







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