

# What's most broken?

## Statistical Probe of Tutoring for data-driven improvement of Intelligent Tutors

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### MOTIVATION

Questions that we look to answer from RoboTutor's log data [1]:

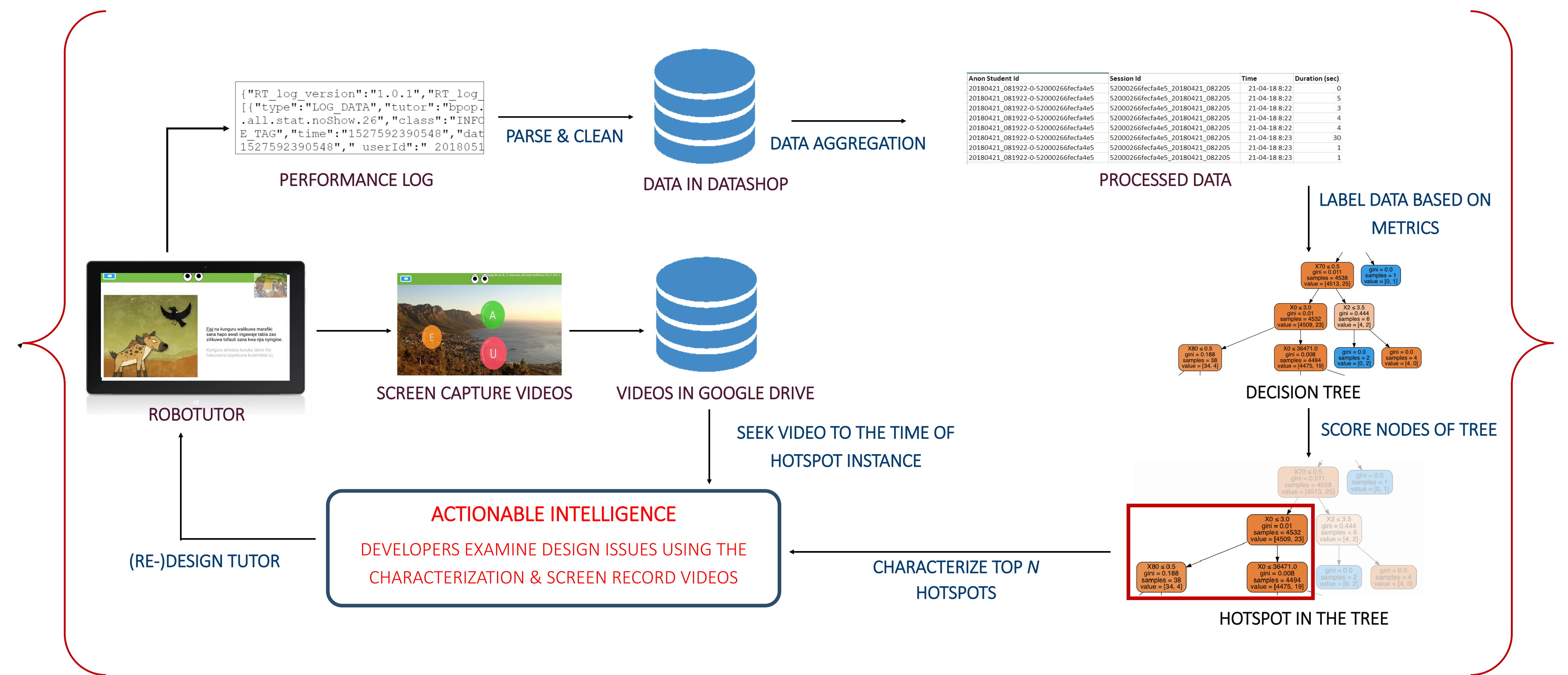
- **Reliability:** How often and under what conditions does the RoboTutor crash or hang?
- **Recognition:** How often is written input accepted by the Writing Recognizer?
- **Usability:** Can kids operate RoboTutor? Which activities do children find hard to navigate through? Where does the time go?
- **Engagement:** When are the children disengaged? What activities disengage students most?

Is there a way to automate discovery of the critical design issues therein, and characterize, prioritize and present them?



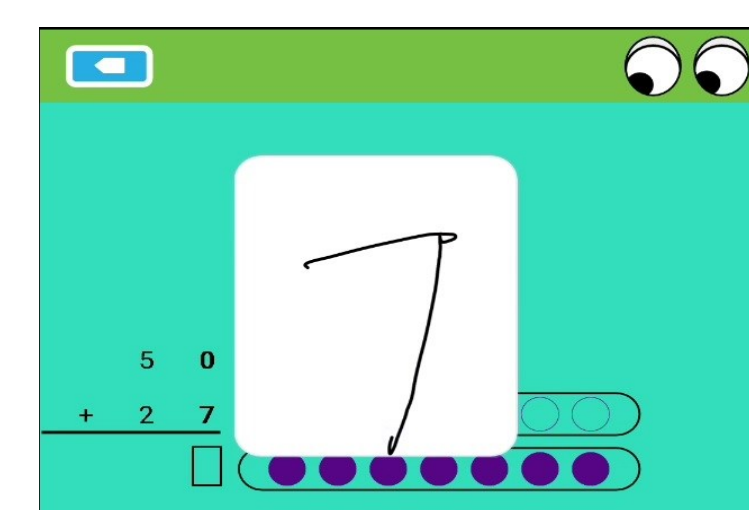
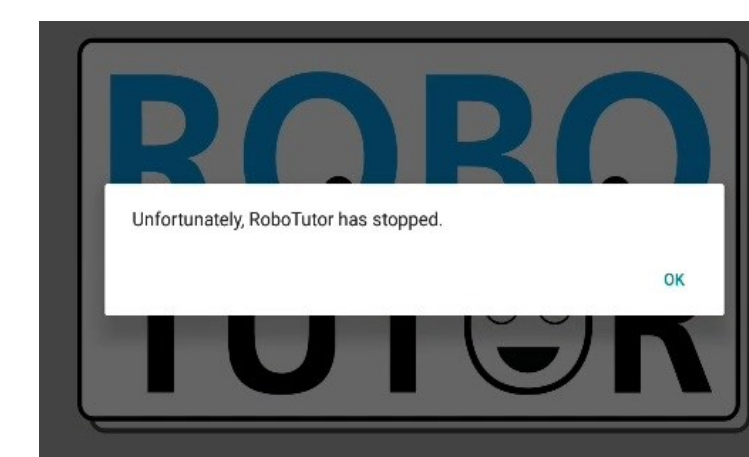
### SPOT Workflow

DESIGN → PROTOTYPE → DEPLOY → COLLECT DATA → **MINE DATA FOR INSIGHTS** → REDESIGN...



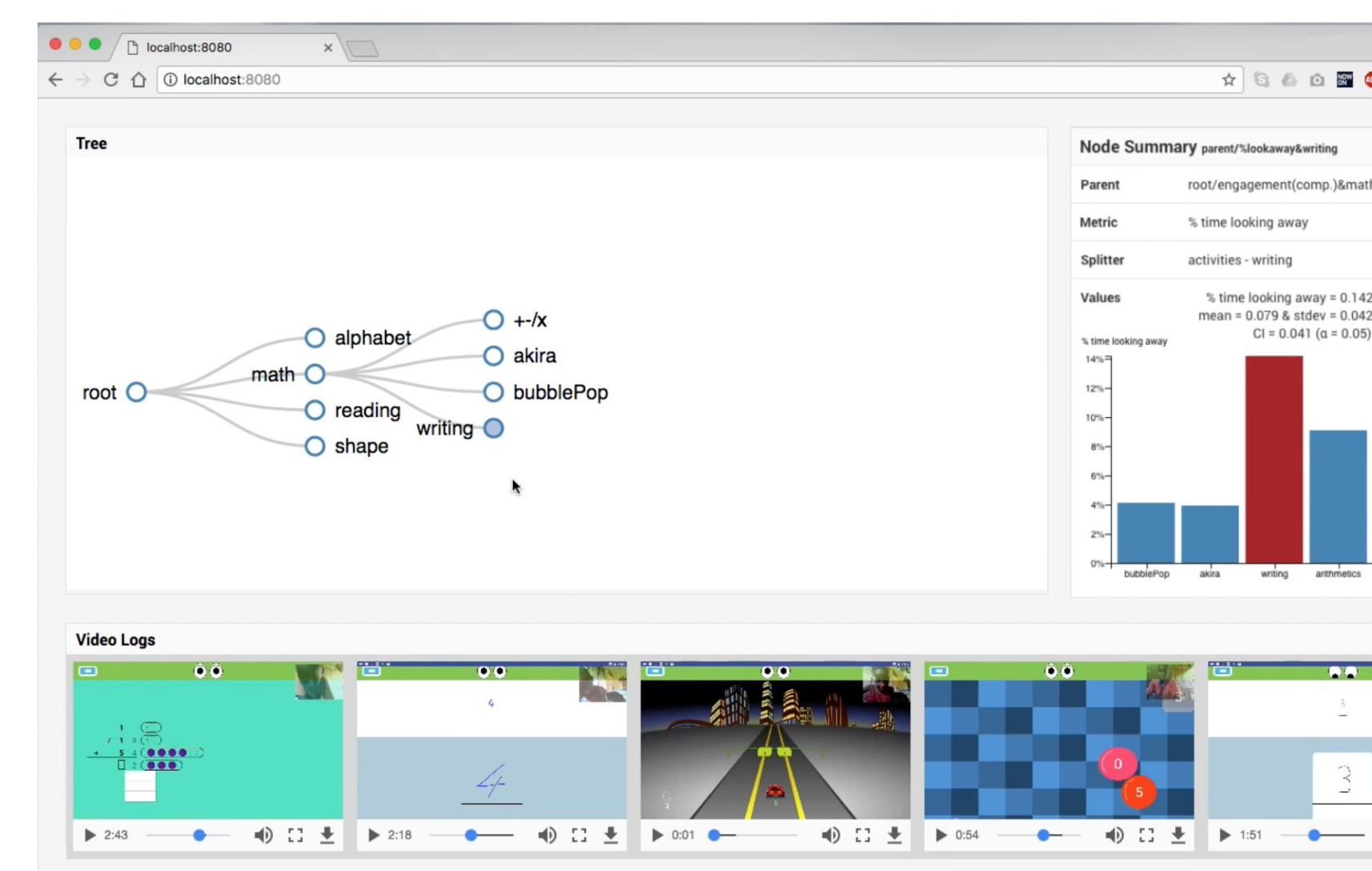
### RESULTS

CRITERIA & METRICS	SPOT FINDINGS	DESIGN IMPLICATIONS
<b>Reliability</b> Session changes for the same student on a tablet within a short time	Crashes especially occur in CountingX and Story Reading activities	Implement crash logging Examine CountingX and Story Reading activities for bugs
<b>Recognition</b> Rejection rate of written and spoken input	Recognizer confuses between number pairs like 1 & 7, 5 & 3	Bias data sources of number copying and dictation to include frequently confused digits
<b>Usability</b> Attempt and activity hiatus (time between end of one attempt / activity and start of next)	Children spend unusually long time in Story Reading activities	Add a timeout for story reading
<b>Engagement</b> Bailouts Average duration per attempt and item	Children tend to bail out of an activity when given the same problems to solve repeatedly	Children should not be given similar problems repeatedly



### FUTURE WORK

- Develop SPOT as a web application [2]
- Integrate SPOT into LearnSphere [3], a community infrastructure to support learning improvement online
- Analyze learning, especially wheel-spinning using SPOT: Identifying skills that children are unable to learn given 'enough' practice opportunities?



### REFERENCES

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- [3] <http://learnsphere.org/>

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