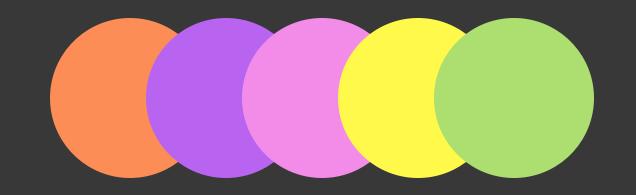
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## Voice User Interface

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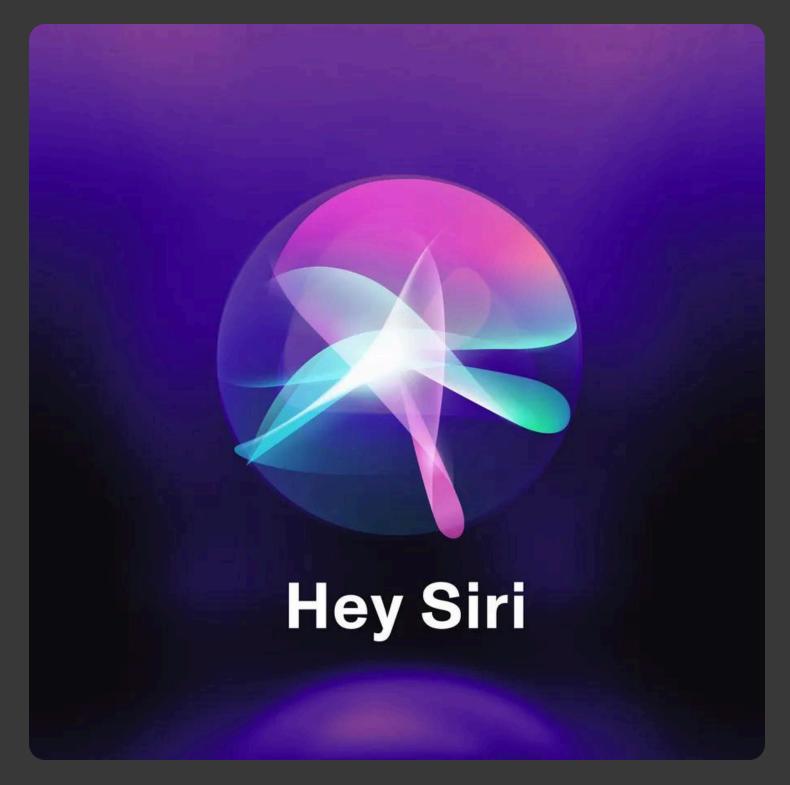
### What's "WII"

A VUI allows users to interact with technology using voice commands. Instead of typing or touching, users speak, and the system interprets and responds.

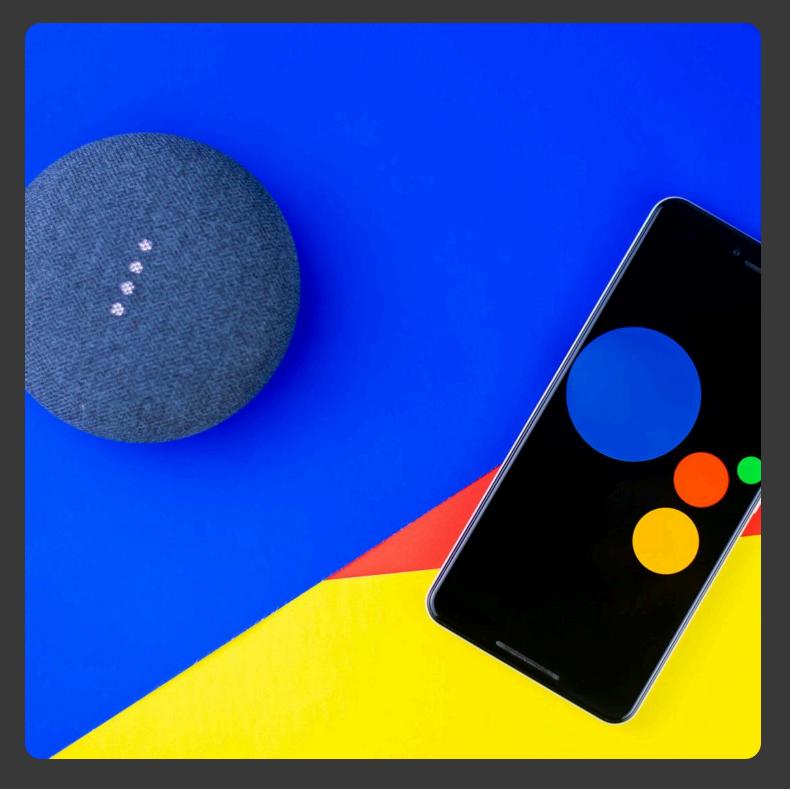


#### History of VUI

- 1960s–1980s: Early voice command systems
- 2000s: Introduction of smartphone assistants
- 2010s-Now: Rise of smart speakers and voice-enabled devices







#### Apple Siri

Apple's voice assistant for iPhones and other devices, used for tasks like messaging and setting reminders.

#### Amazon Alexa

Amazon's smart assistant in Echo devices, used to control smart homes, play music, and more.

#### Google Assistant

Google's Al helper for phones and smart devices, offering voice search, commands, and automation.

## Why VUI matters



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#### Hands-free

Allows users to interact without touching a screen, ideal for multitasking, driving, or cooking.

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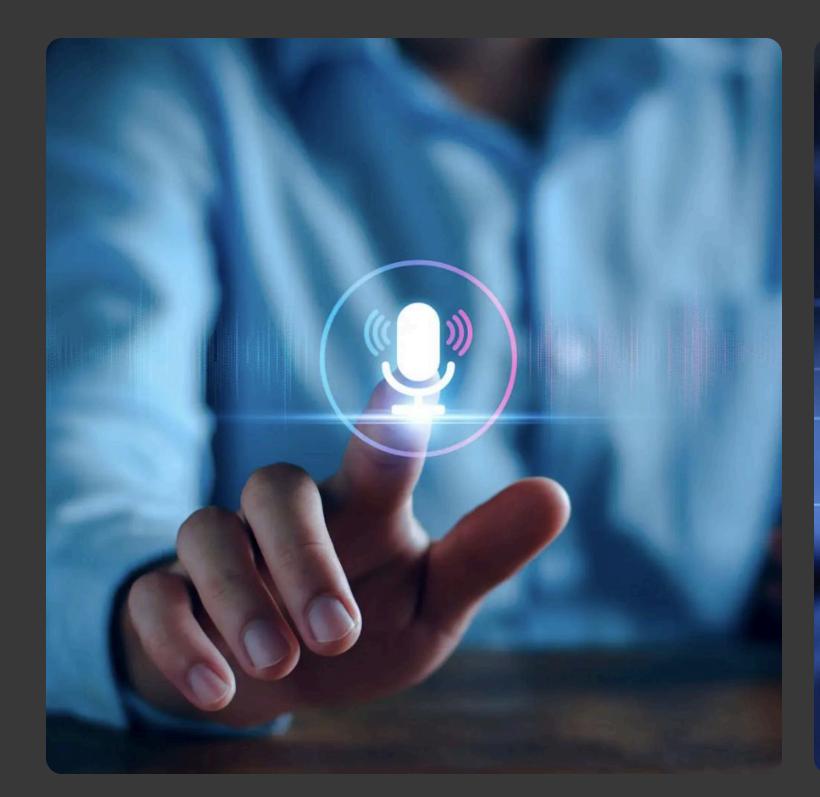
#### Accessibility

Enables people with visual, motor, or reading impairments to use technology more easily.

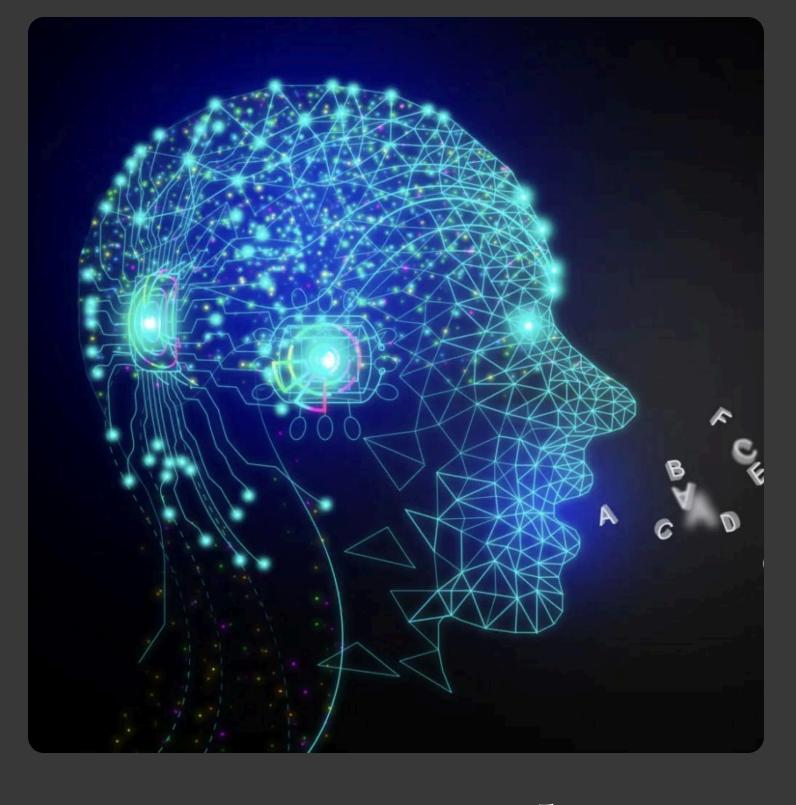
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#### Convenience

Offers quick access to information and actions with just a voice command, no typing needed.







Speech Recognition

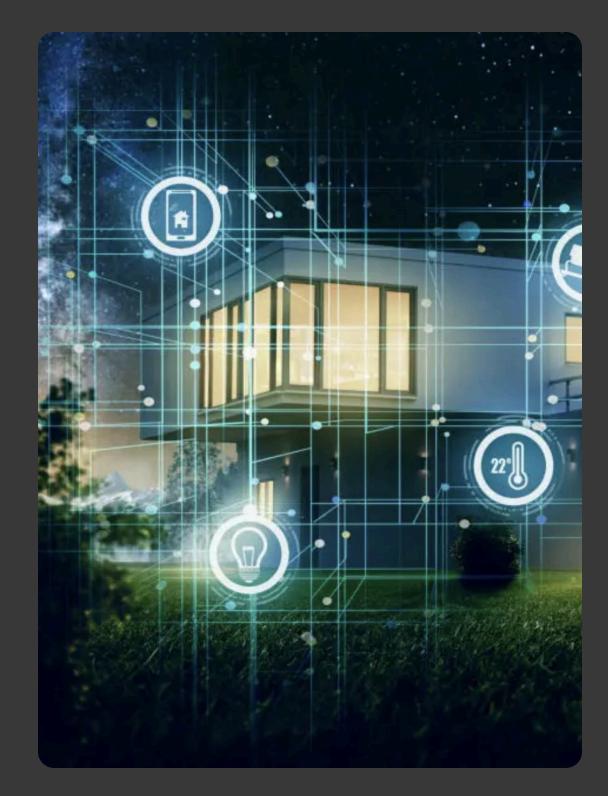
Converts spoken words into text

Natural Language Processing (NLP)

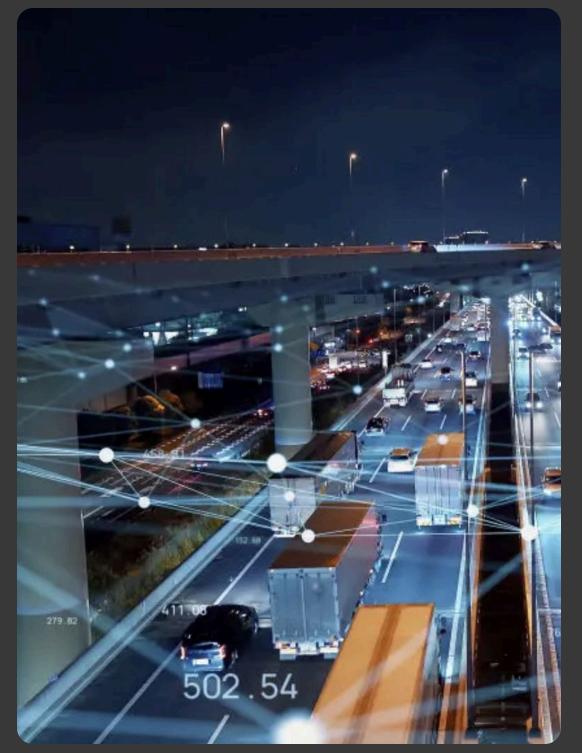
Understands meaning and intent

## Text-to-Speech (TTS)

Converts text responses into spoken words









Smart Homes

e.g., turning on lights, playing music

Healthcare

e.g., voice-enabled assistants for the elderly

Automotive

e.g., in-car voice commands

Enterprise

e.g., voice-based customer service

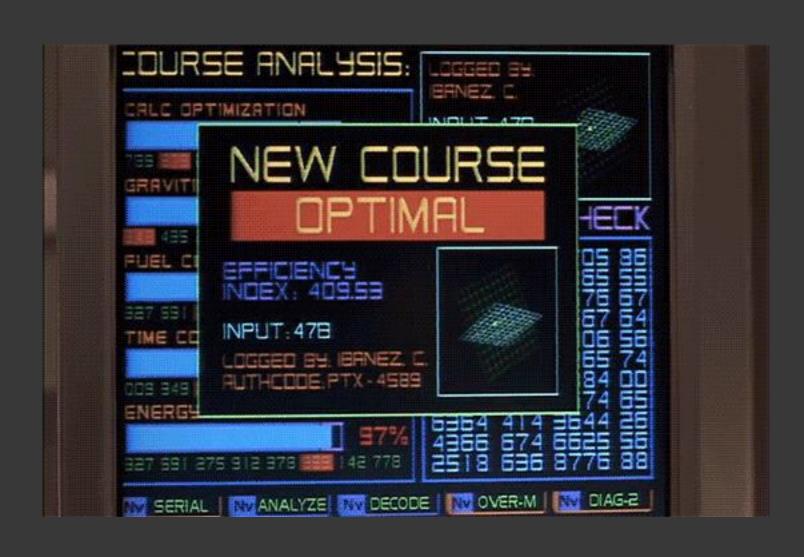
## Benefits



Hands-free

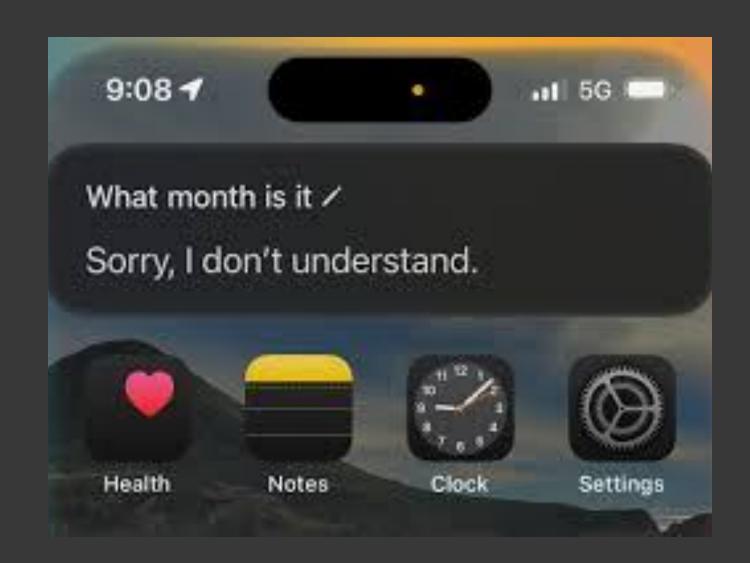


Accessibility



Speed & Efficiency

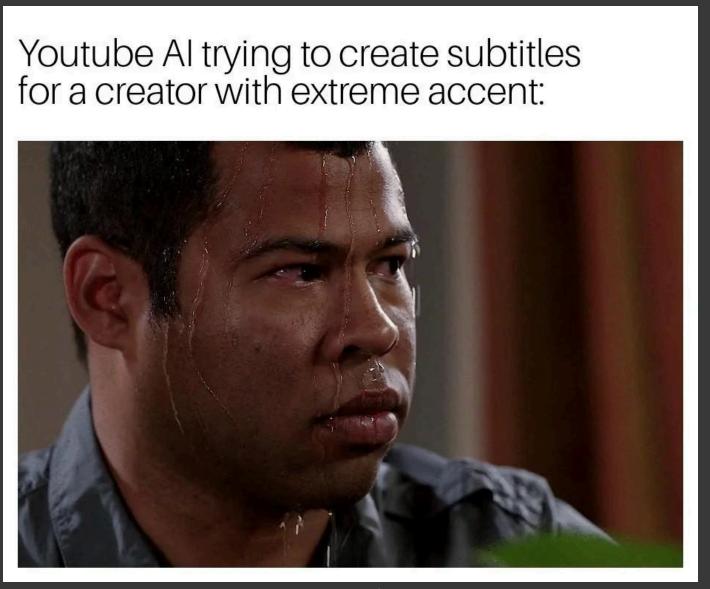
## ...and Challenges



Accuracy & misinterpretation



Privacy & data concerns



Accent & bias issues

## Ethical & Social Implications









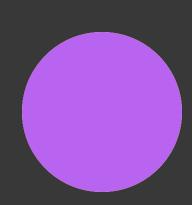
Surveillance & Voice Data

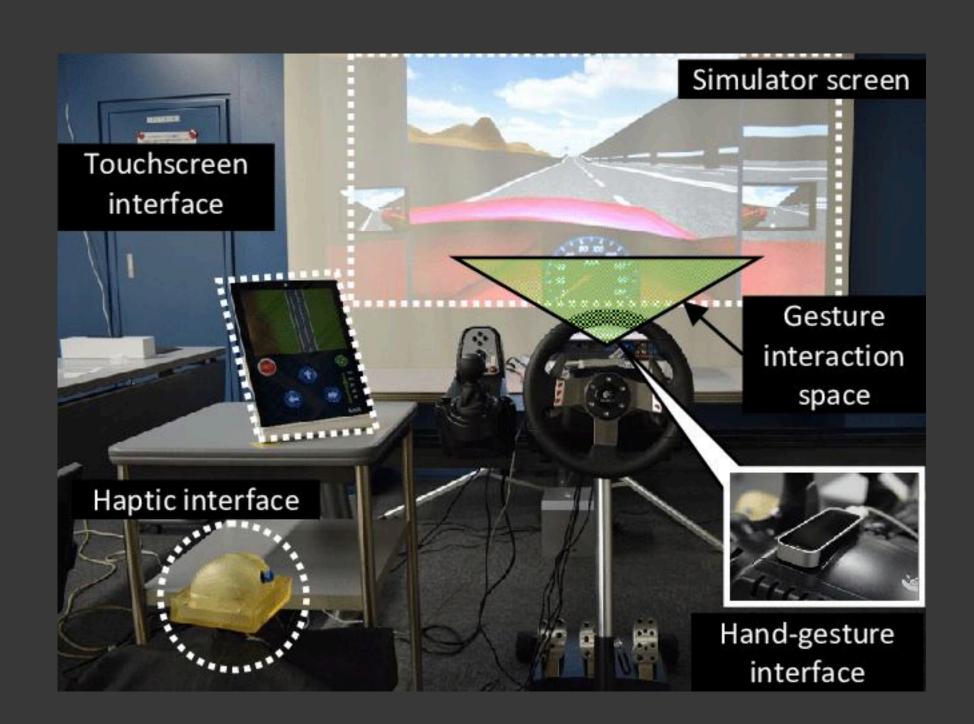
Algorithmic Bias

Consent & transparency

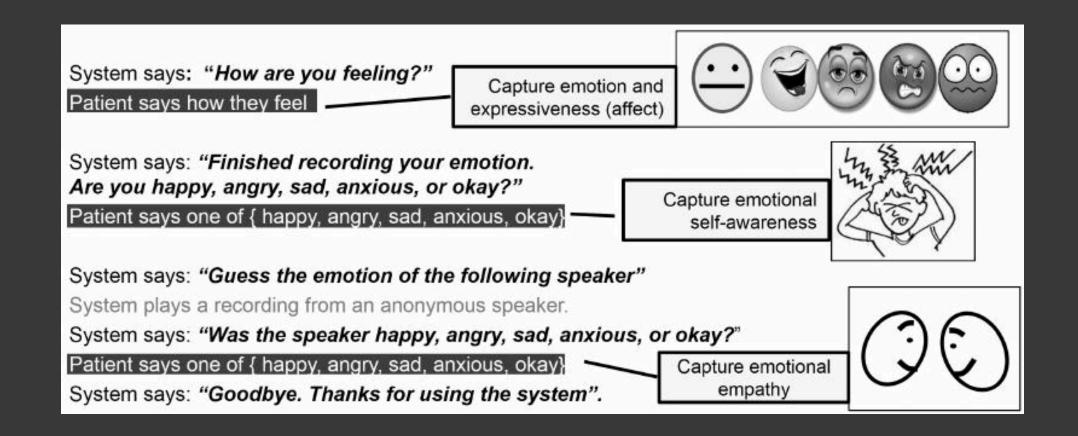
Impact on employment

## The Future of VUI





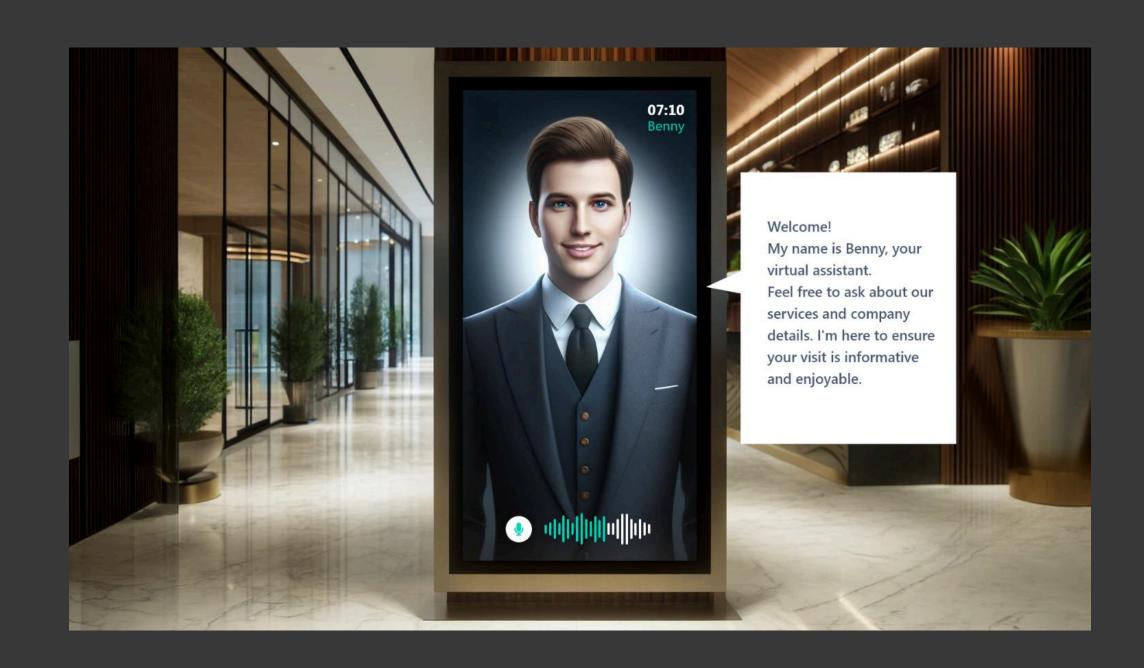
Multimodal Interfaces (voice + screen + gesture)

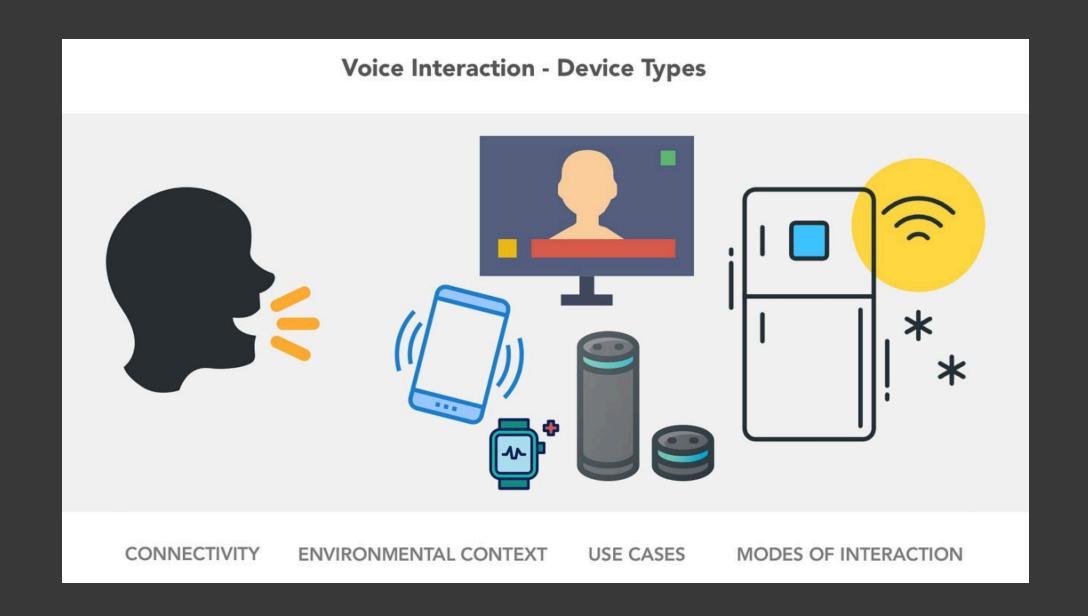


Emotion & Context Awareness

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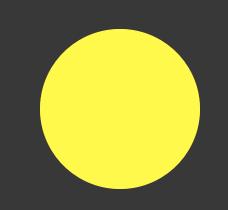




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Seamless Smart Environments

### Conclusion



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## What We've Covered:

- Definition
- history
- core tech
- applications

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#### Key Insights:

- Benefits vs Challenges
- Ethical & Social Implications
- Future Trends

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#### Final Reflection

VUIs blend human speech with computing to reshape how we live, work, and interact.

# Thank you.