

# Human Motion Quantification: Applications to Neurologic Diseases

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- NeuroEngineering is defined as the interdisciplinary field of engineering and computational approaches applied to problems in basic and clinical neuroscience.
- First international conference – IEEE 2003
- It is a sub-area of Biomedical Engineering
- At FEUP, we have offering three degrees in this area:
  - MIB, MEB and ProDEB.
- We are setting up
  - a new lab – The NeuroEngineering Lab.
  - A new lecture course in NeuroEngineering (Approved, A3ES & Euro-ACE certified, starts next year)



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- Mission: explore opportunities to innovate in Neurosciences
- Crossing Areas: Physics; Engineering (Electronics; Computation; etc.); Neurology; Neurosurgery; Neurophysiology; Neuroradiology; Neuroscience;
- Carried out with our partners:



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- Movement quantification in Neurological diseases (NeuroQmove)
- Wearable technology

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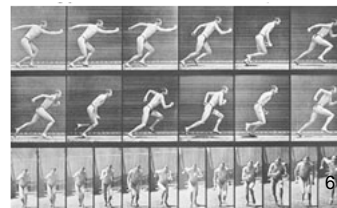
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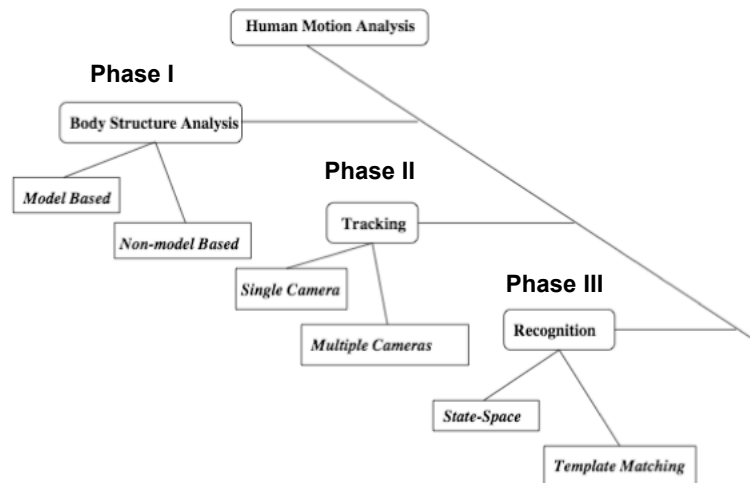


- Aristoteles (384-322 AC)
  - “De Motu Animalium”
- Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519)
- Galileu (1564-1643)
  - Mathematical model
- Borelli (1608-1679)
  - Equilibrium and center of gravity
- Newton (1642-1727), Bernoulli (1700-1782), Euler (1707-1783), Poiseuille (1799-1869), Young (1773-1829)
  - All of them studied human motion
- Muybridge (1830-1904)
  - The first to use photography



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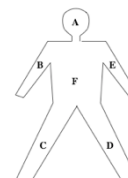
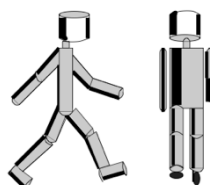
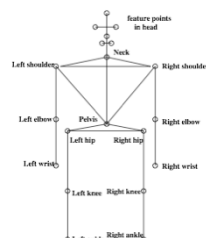
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- Model based using
  - “Stick figures”[13]
  - Cylinders[14]
  - Contours[15]



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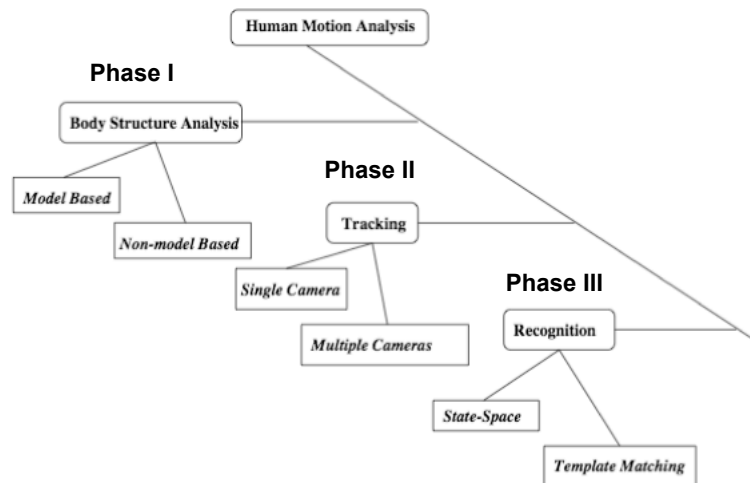
- Non-model based
  - Points correlation[18]
  - “joint iterative search”[19]
  - Optical flow (motion fields)[21]
  - Others...

Figure: The motion field of a moving square.



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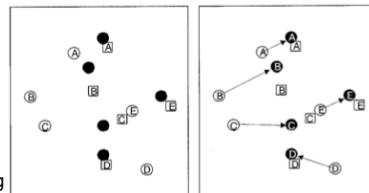
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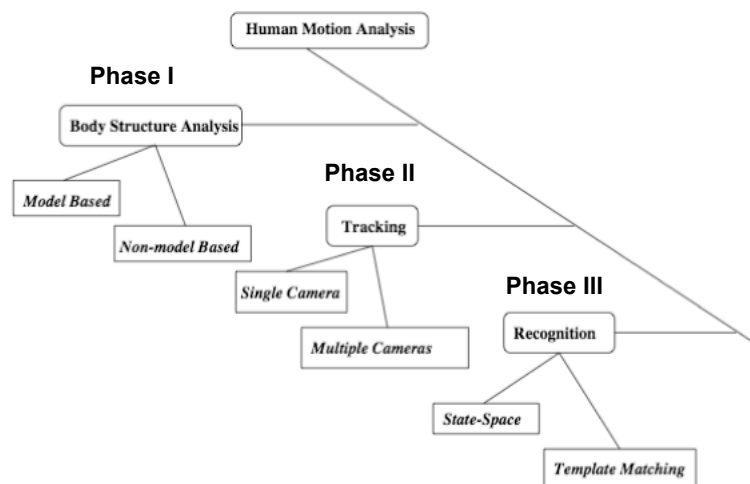
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- Tracking body structure characteristics
  - Contours, bright spots, colour or texture
  - Centers of mass [24]
  - Multi-landmark (eg. Joints) [26,27]
- Different algorithms
  - Ballistic trajectories and Kalman filters [52]
  - “Mean-Shift” (circa 1975) and its evolutions  
(ex:CAMSHIFT) [Fukunava et al., IEEE TIT, 1975, 17(8): 790-799]



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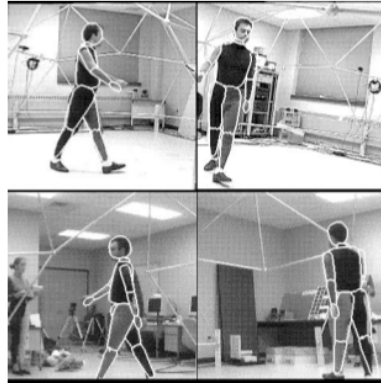
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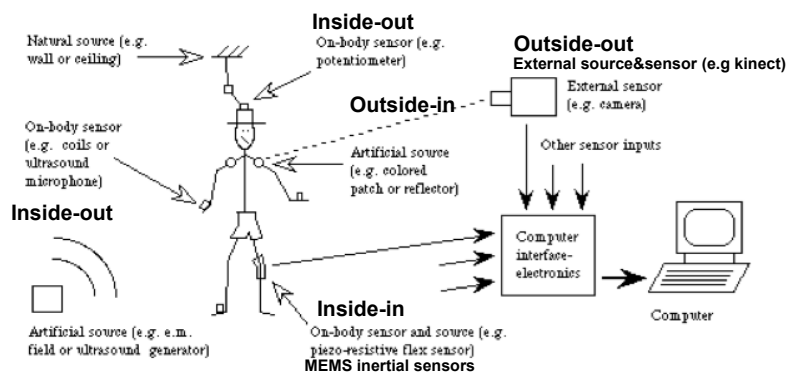
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- Pattern recognition approaches [24,31]
  - Template matching, among others
- Phase space theory [28]
- Others



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**Technology classes:**

<b>Outside-in</b> (External sensors detect on body sources)	<b>Inside-out</b> (Sensors on body detect external sources)	<b>Inside-in</b> (sensors&sources on body)
<b>Outside-out</b> (External sensors and sources detect body movements)		

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- *There are many methods and technologies... ..so,... what is the BEST ?*

## **Motion Tracking: No Silver Bullet, but a Respectable Arsenal**



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Eric Foxlin  
InterSense

If you read the surveys of motion tracking systems,<sup>1</sup> one thing that will immediately strike you is the number of technologies and approaches—a bewildering array of systems operating on entirely different physical principles, exhibiting different performance characteristics, and designed for different purposes. So why does the world need so many different tracking products and

(HMD) or on a projection screen. In immersive systems, head trackers provide view control to make the computer graphics scenery simulate a first-person viewpoint, but animations or other nonimmersive applications might use handheld trackers.

■ **Navigation.** Tracked devices help a user navigate through a computer graphics virtual world. The user might point a tracked wand to fly in a particular direc-

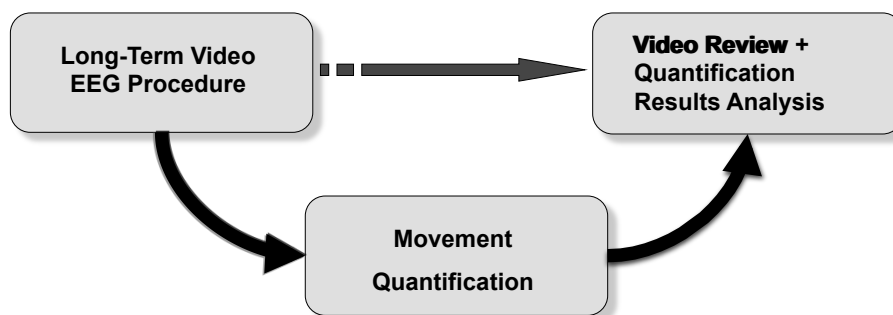
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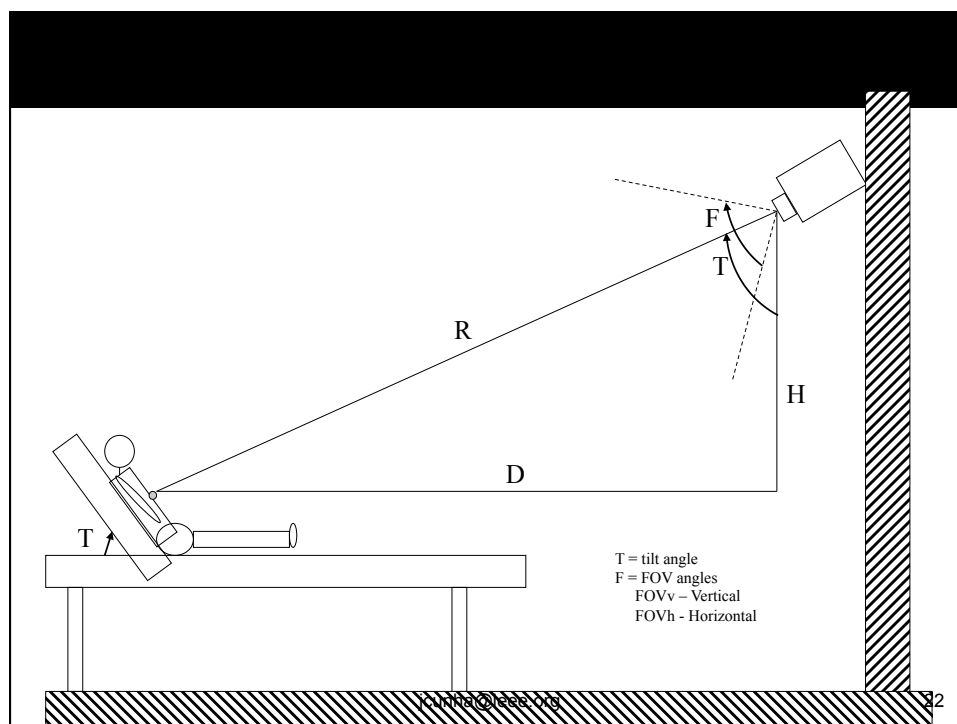
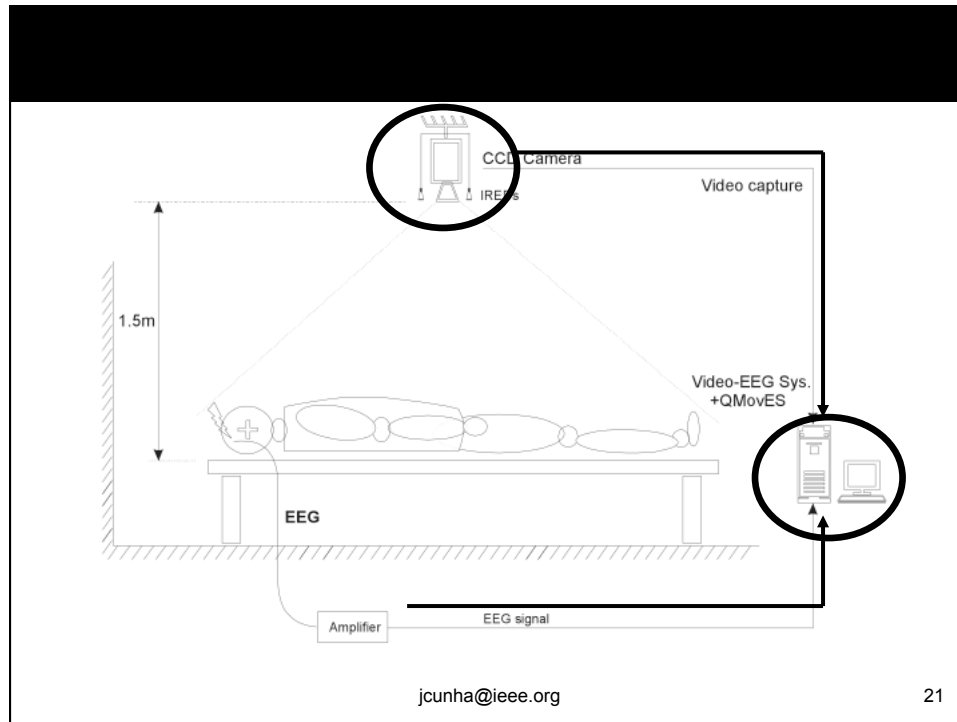
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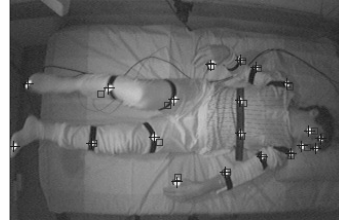
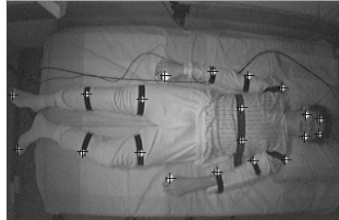
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- Original video frame
- Thresholding video frame
- Clustering pixels and labeling markers to body structure components

- Marker position prediction & tracking

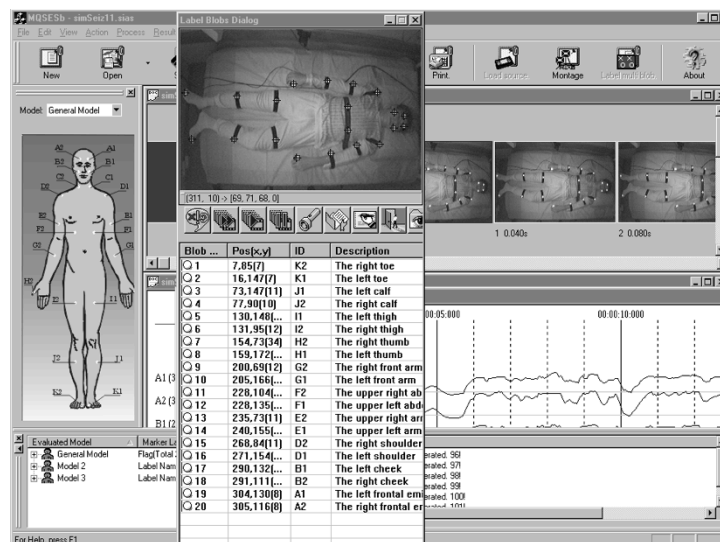
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Movement Quantification in Epileptic Seizures:  
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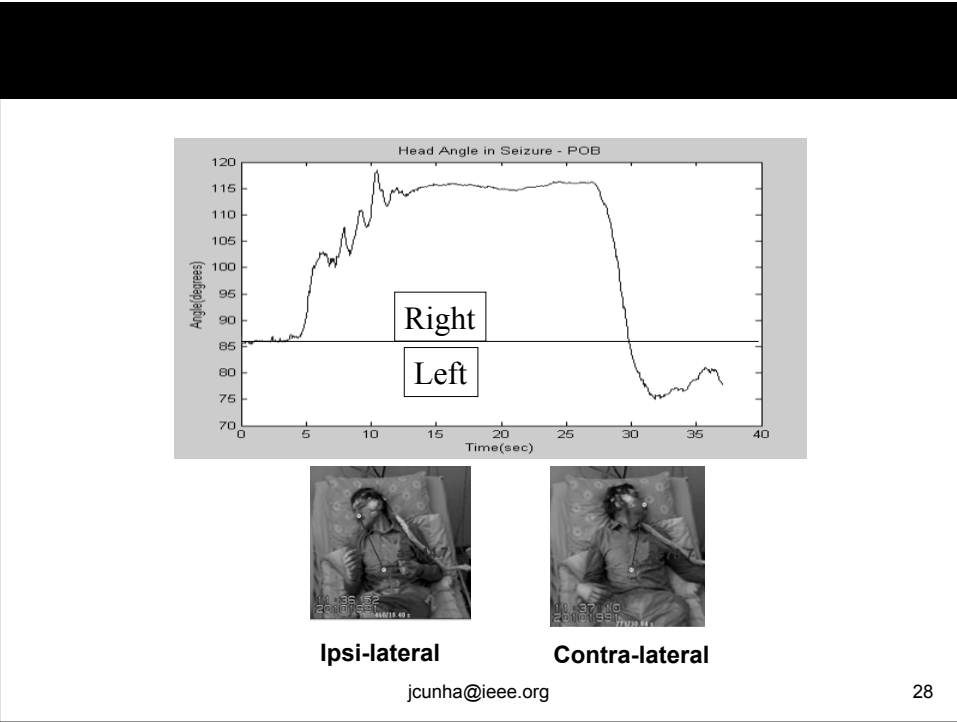


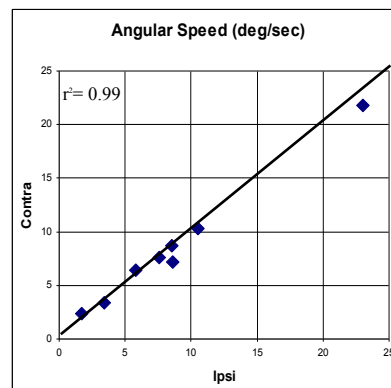
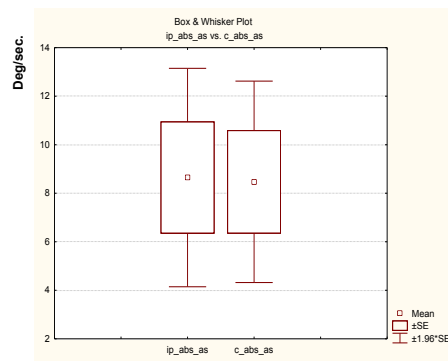


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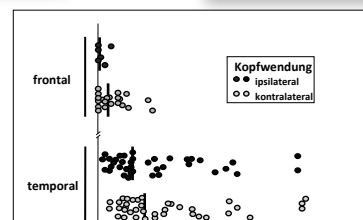
- 38 TLE Sz (31 Pat) + 22 FLE Sz (14 Pat)
- Head rotation occurs sooner and is shorter in FLE
- Angular speed did not differ from ipsi to contralateral (against the literature)

Rémi et al., *Epilepsia* 2011

O'Dwyer et al., *Epilepsia* 2007; Godoy et al., *Neurology* 1990

Jayakar et al., *Neurology* 1992; Dobesberger et al., *Neurology* 2005

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#### FULL-LENGTH ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Ictal head turning in frontal and temporal lobe epilepsy

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automotorisch



hypermotorisch

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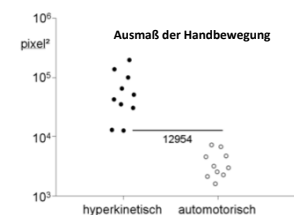
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## TLE vs. FLE

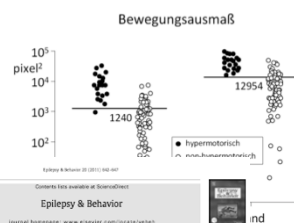
### 1. Training set

- 10 hypermotor and 10 automotor seizures
- Extent of movement threshold estimation.



### 2. Analysis of 100 consecutive recorded seizures from LMU database

- Excelent separation of hypermotor and non-hypermotor seizures ( $p < 0.001$ )
  - Sensitivität 95,9 – 100%
  - Spezifität ~60%
- Results combination:
  - Identifikation hypermotorischer Anfällen: 100%
  - Falsch positive Identifikation: <0,06%.



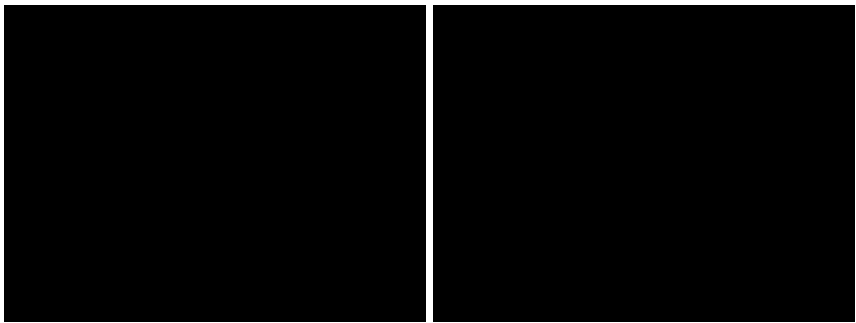
Rémi, Cunha et al., *Epilepsy Behav* 2011

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Quantitative movement analysis differentiates focal seizures characterized by automatisms  
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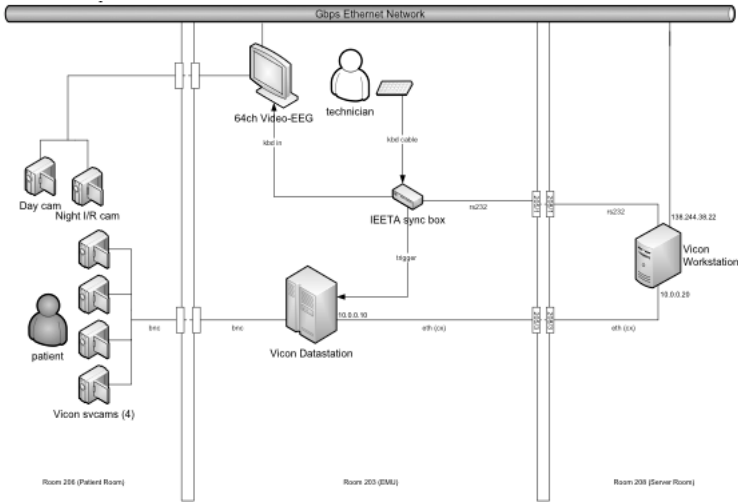
**Table 3:** Movement parameters of seizures characterized by automatisms in patients with TLE and FLE.

	Duration of automatisms/ duration of seizure [95% CI]	Movement extent (pixelP)		Le
		ipsi	contra	
TLE (n=38)	0.36 [0.28; 0.44]	3101	1544.5	
p-value ipsi vs. contra				ns
FLE (n=20)	0.63 [0.51; 0.75]	22089	24496	
p-value ipsi vs. contra				ns
p-value TLE vs. FLE	<b>p&lt;0.001*</b>	<b>p&lt;0.001*</b>	<b>p&lt;0.001*</b>	

\* statistically significant difference Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs Signed-Ranks Test  
**Cunha et al., *Epilepsy & Behav.*, 2013**



Upper limb automatisms differ quantitatively in temporal and frontal lobe epilepsies  
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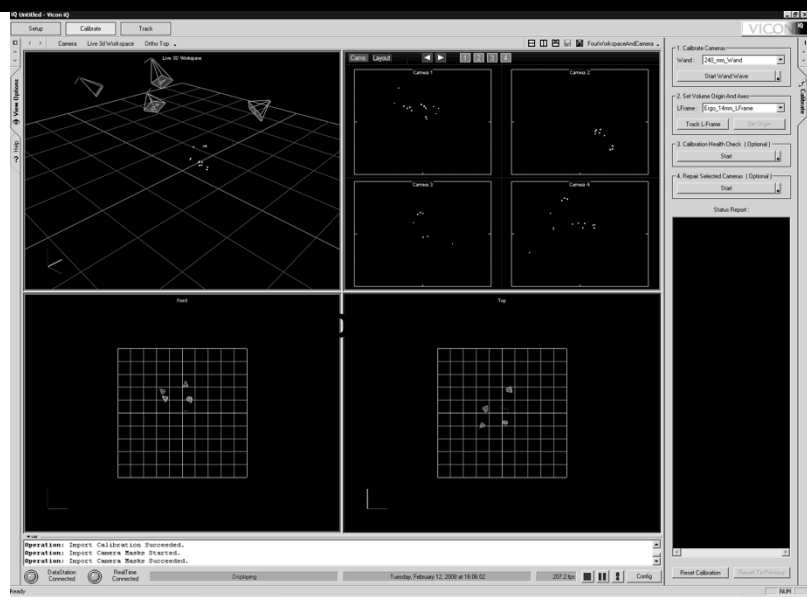




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- High frame rate (200 Hz)

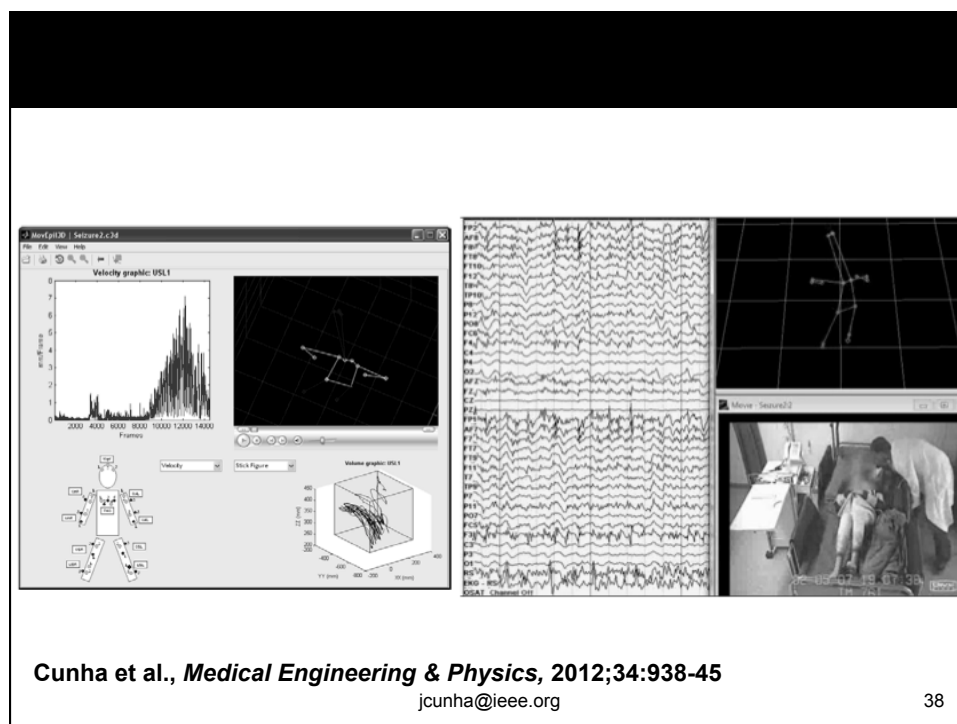
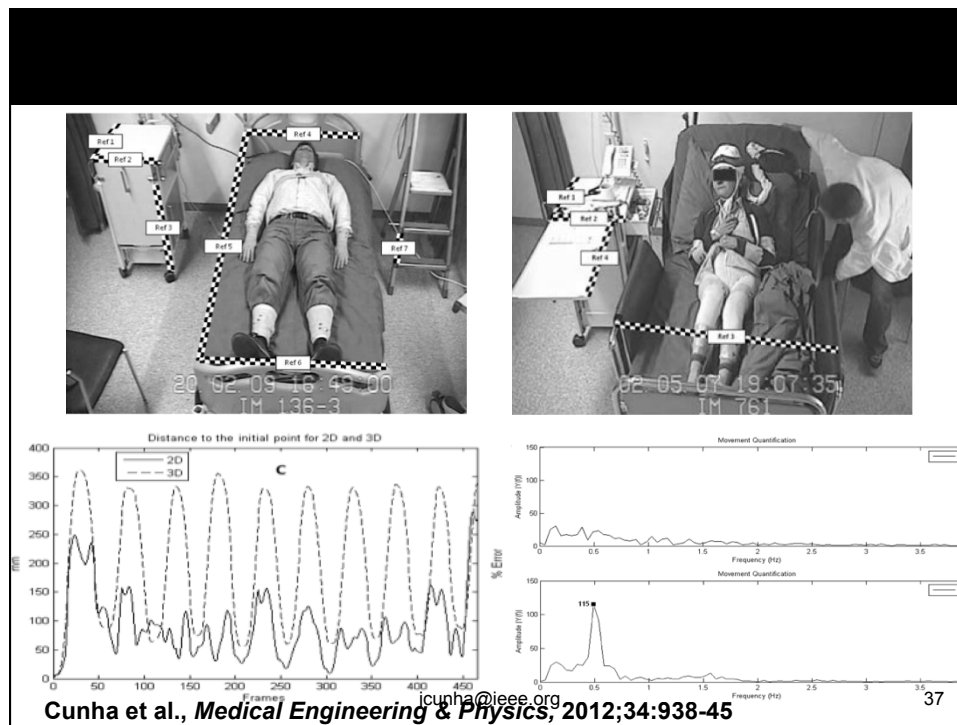
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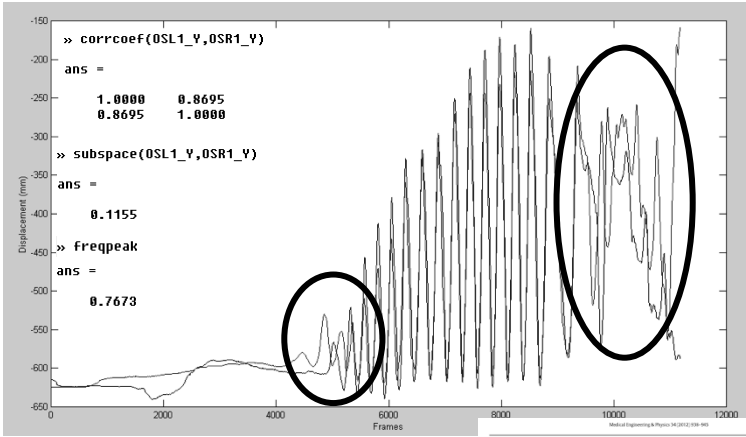
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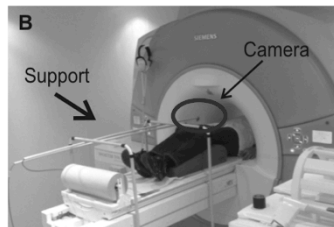
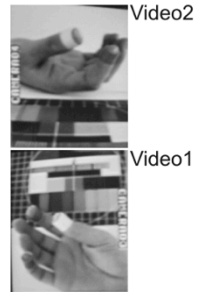
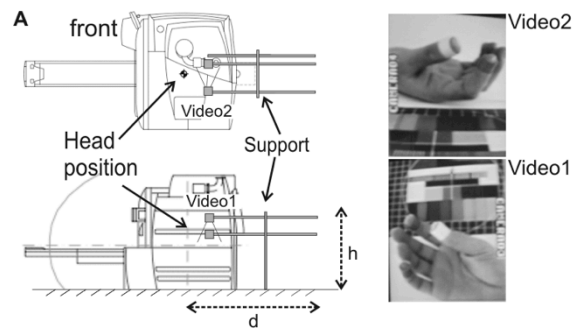
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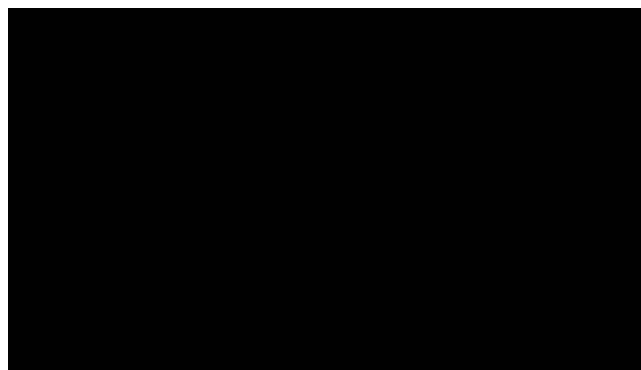




The plastic support allows the cameras to change in height ( $h$ ) and longitudinal displacement ( $d$ ) to capture the area of interest in the back (A) or in the front the scanner (B)

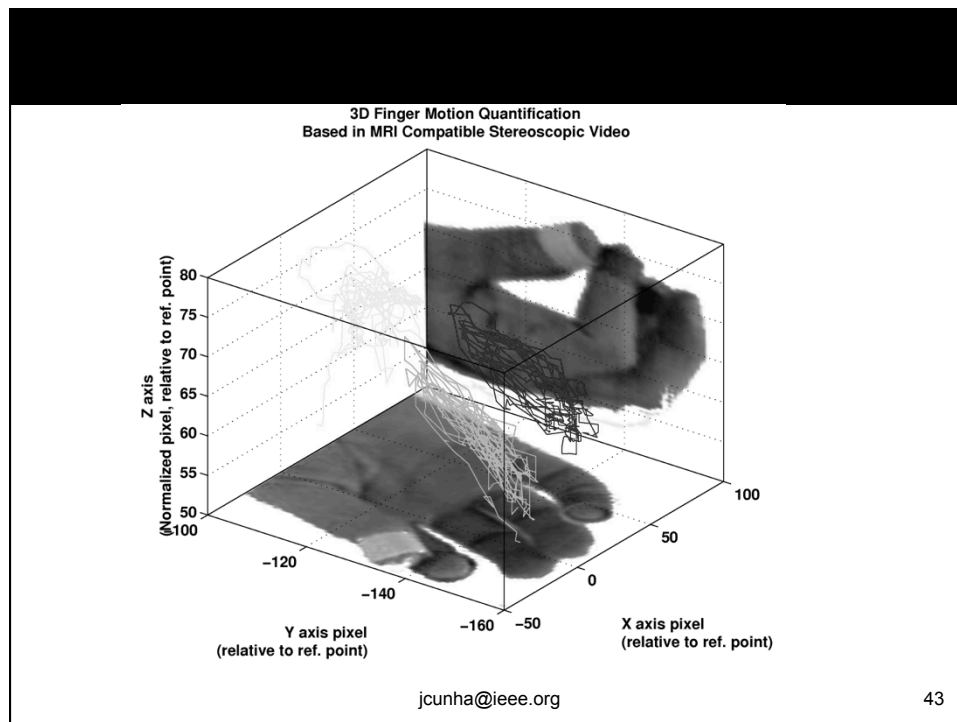
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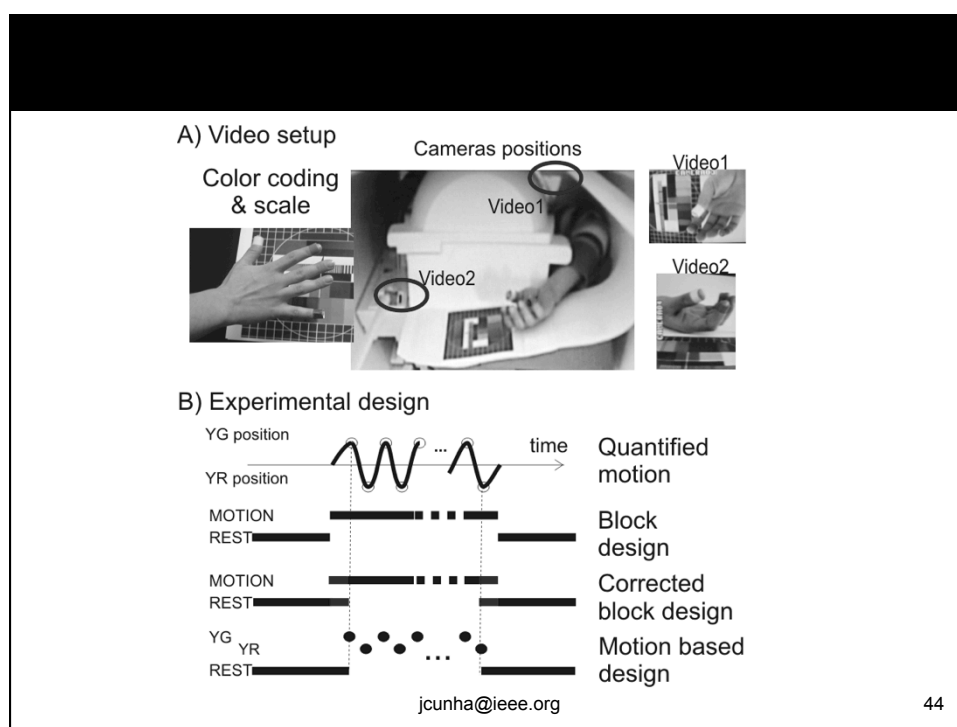


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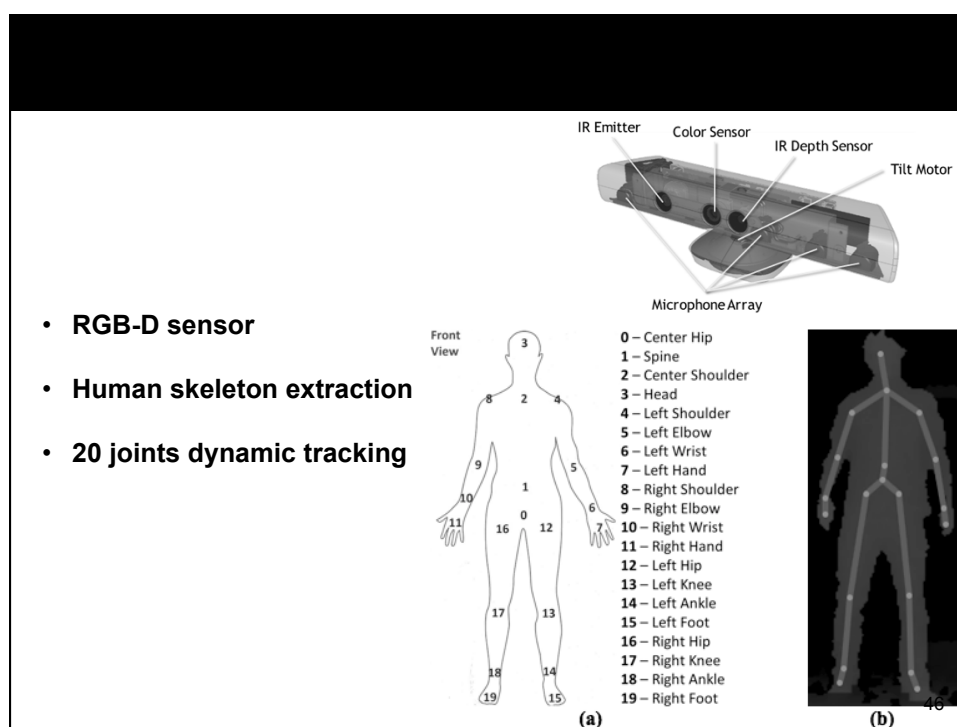
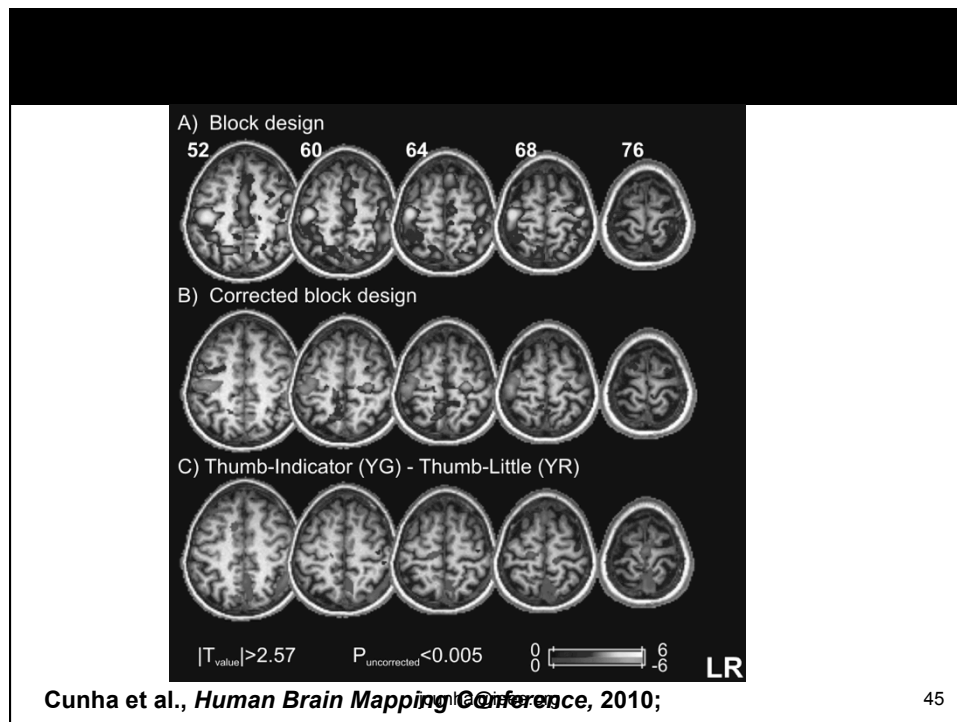
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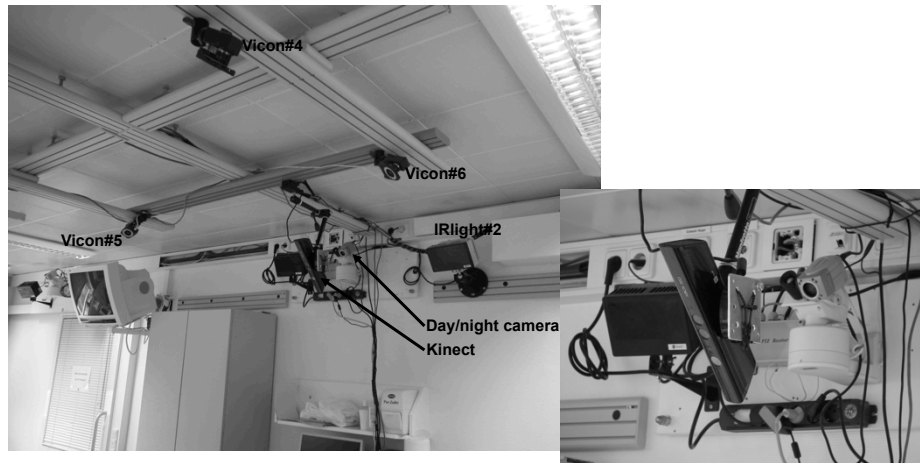


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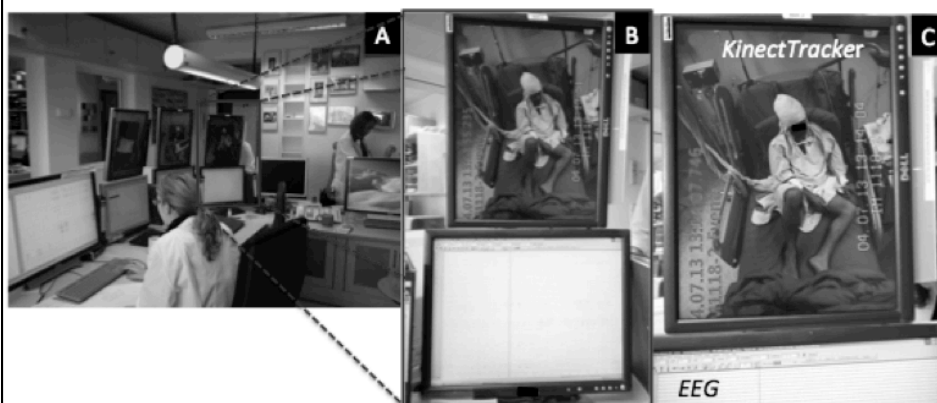
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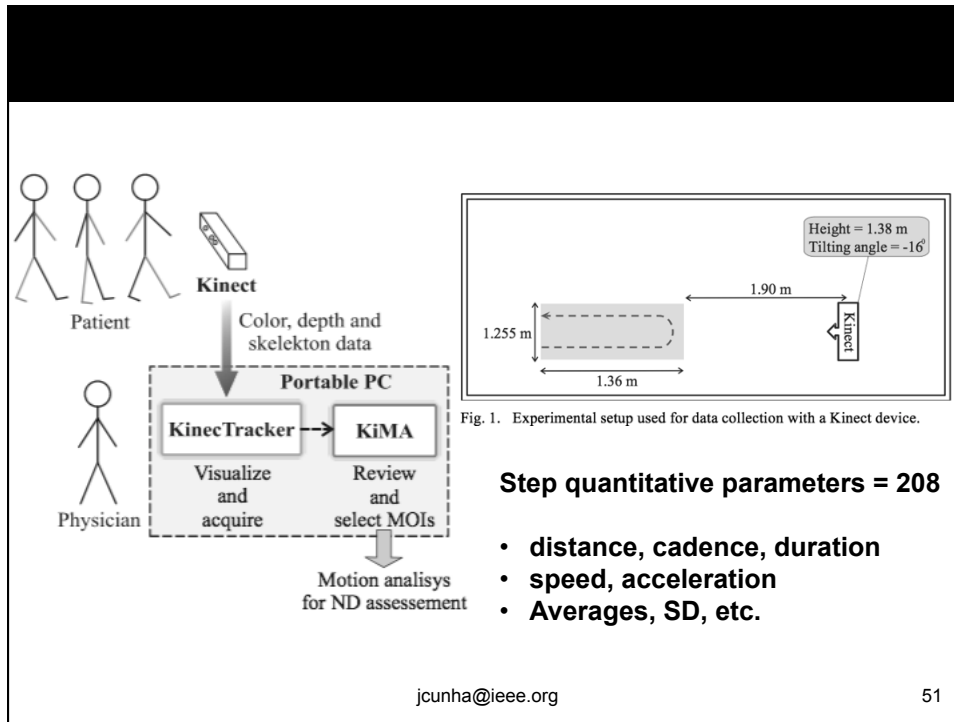
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Sex (M/F)	Age	Height (m)	Weight (kg)	Most affected side (left/right)
2/1	54 [47, 59]	1.68 [1.59, 1.8]	82.7 [78, 90]	0/3

PD patient	Months after DBS surgery	UPDRS III <sup>a</sup> (gait <sup>b</sup> )	
		STIM ON	STIM OFF
P1	6	13 (1)	31 (1)
P2	1.5	7 (1)	26 (1)
P3	10	11 (0)	42 (2)

<sup>a</sup>. UPDRS score for part III (motor examination). The maximum score is of 108.  
<sup>b</sup>. UPDRS sub-score for gait (item 29). Score ranges between 0 (normal) and 4 (cannot walk at all, even with assistance).

- 3 non-PD subjects also participated

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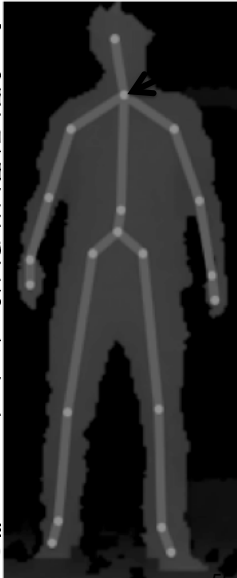
Parameter			Coefficient of correlation
Average	Acceleration	Left hand	<b>-0.83</b>
		Right hand	-0.53
	Distance	Ankles	<b>-0.85</b>
Median	Velocity	Right ankle	<b>-0.85</b>
		Left ankle	-0.26
Normalized variance	Velocity	Right ankle	<b>0.83</b>
		Left ankle	-0.63

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- 8/208 parameters discriminate ( $p < 0.05$ ):
  - 3 Non-PD,
  - 3 PD-stimON,
  - 3 PD-stimOFF
- Literature typical parameters are NOT the best ones

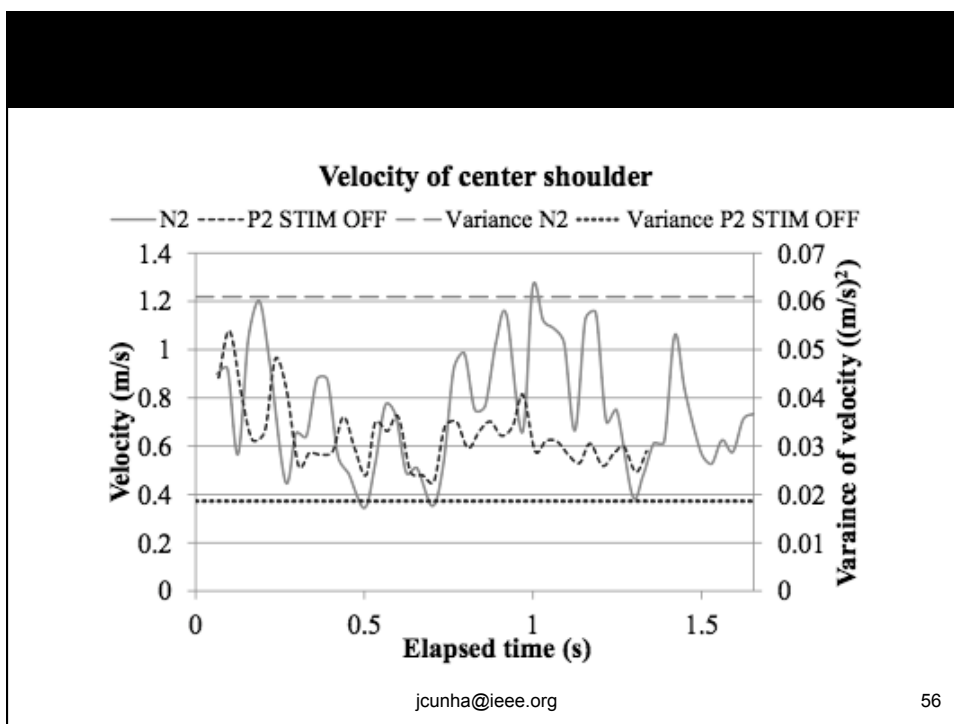
Parameter		
Variance	Velocity	Head
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		Shoulder
	Acceleration	Center shoulder
	Distance	Elbow
Average	Acceleration	Center shoulder
Stride duration		
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Cadence		



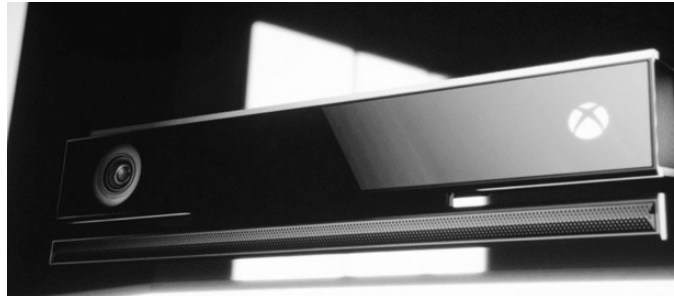
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**1080p HD resolution**

**6 high fidelity skeletons**

**USB 3 (2Gbit)**

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 Subject: K4W Wants You! (Please Read Carefully and Reply)  
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Dear Joao:

(...)

Congratulations! I am delighted to notify you that the Kinect for Windows team is offering you ("INESC-TEC/University of Porto") a place in our upcoming developer kit program :) As you know, this program will grant a select number of developers exclusive access to pre-release hardware and software.

We received thousands of applications to the program. Due to the high volume of interest, we won't have enough alpha hardware to admit everyone who applied to the program. Over the next few months, we will continue to notify successful program applicants.

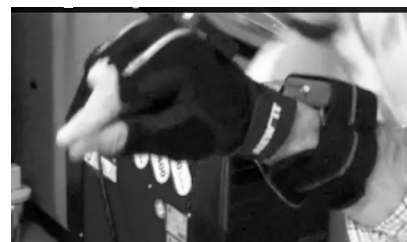
We're convinced that your combination of passion for Kinect, technical expertise, and the creativity of your idea will make you an awesome contributor to the evolution of NUI.

(...)

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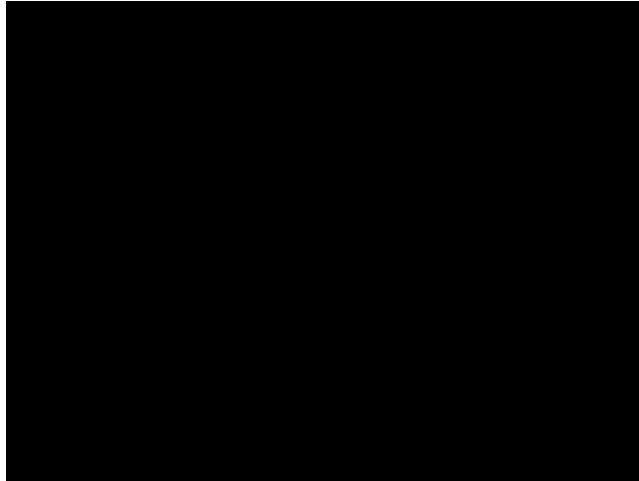
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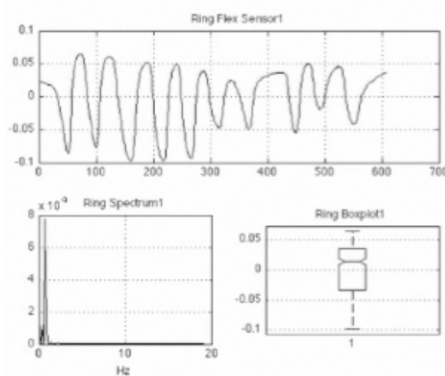
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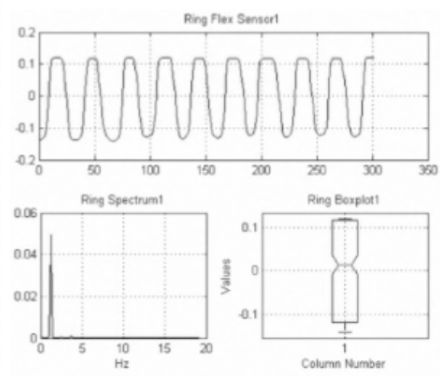
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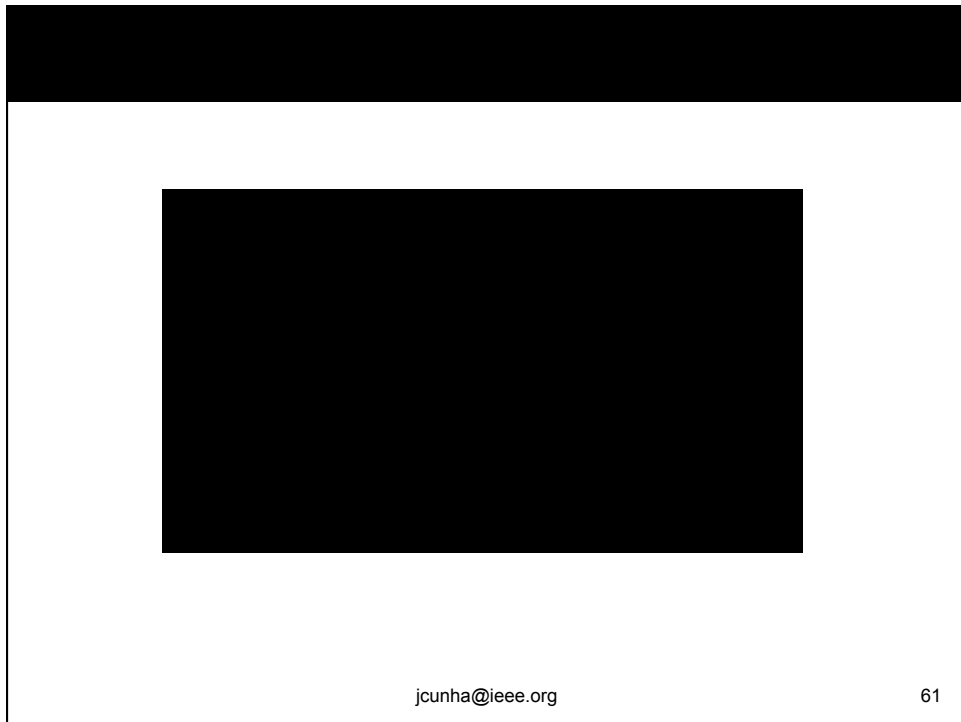


### Antes



### Depois





- Neuroengineering is a growing interdisciplinary area
  - FEUP and its partners are building up a program offering (R&D and course) in this exciting area
  - Qmov has been one of the focus.
  - Many exciting new opportunities are going on and many more to come...
  - We are committed to make this area grow with the help of our partners
  - ... so, if you have ideas in this area, just contact us 😊
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- All references are part of
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