

Body and gestures: models, algorithms , applications



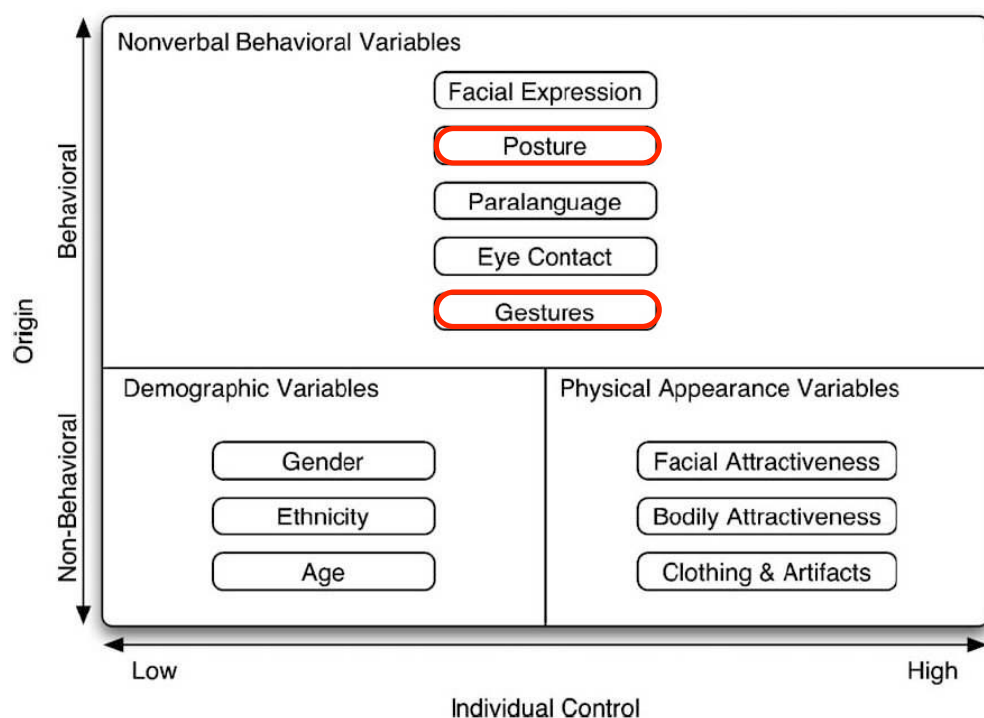
Corso di Interazione uomo-macchina II

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Non verbal behavior //De Meuse



DeMeuse (1987)

Posture and gesture interaction

	Example Social Behaviours							Tech.		
	emotion	personality	status	dominance	persuasion	regulation	rapport	speech analysis	computer vision	biometry
Social Cues										
Physical appearance										
height			✓	✓					✓	✓
attractiveness		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
body shape		✓		✓					✓	✓
Gesture and posture										
hand gestures	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
posture	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
walking		✓	✓	✓					✓	✓
Face and eyes behaviour										
facial expressions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
gaze behaviour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
focus of attention	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Vocal behaviour										
prosody	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓		
turn taking	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
vocal outbursts	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
silence	✓		✓				✓	✓		
Space and Environment										
distance	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	
seating arrangement				✓	✓		✓		✓	



A. Vinciarelli, M. Pantic, H. Bourlard,
*Social Signal Processing: Survey of an
 Emerging Domain*,
 Image and Vision Computing (2008)

Analysing postures and gestures

- The primary goal of gesture recognition research is to create a system which can identify specific human gestures and use them to convey information or for device control.
- A gesture may be defined as a physical movement of the hands, arms, face, and body with the intent to convey information or meaning.
- Gesture recognition, then, consists not only of the tracking of human movement, but also the interpretation of that movement as semantically meaningful commands

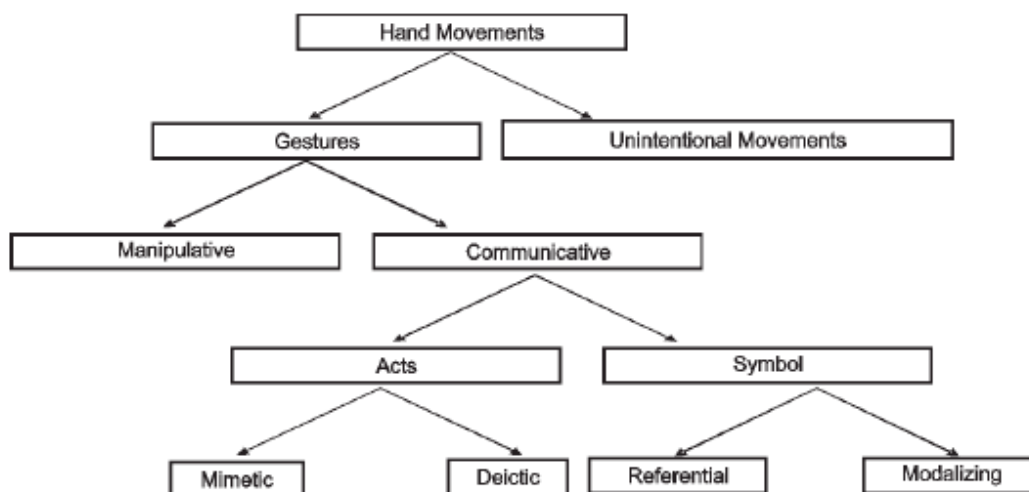
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//application areas

General domain	Specific area
Virtual reality	—Interactive virtual worlds —Games —Virtual studios —Character animation —Teleconferencing (e.g., film, advertising, home-use)
“Smart” surveillance systems	—Access control —Parking lots —Supermarkets, department stores —Vending machines, ATMs —Traffic
Advanced user interfaces	—Social interfaces —Sign-language translation —Gesture driven control —Signaling in high-noise environments (airports, factories)
Motion analysis	—Content-based indexing of sports video footage —Personalized training in golf, tennis, etc. —Choreography of dance and ballet —Clinical studies of orthopedic patients
Model-based coding	—Very low bit-rate video compression

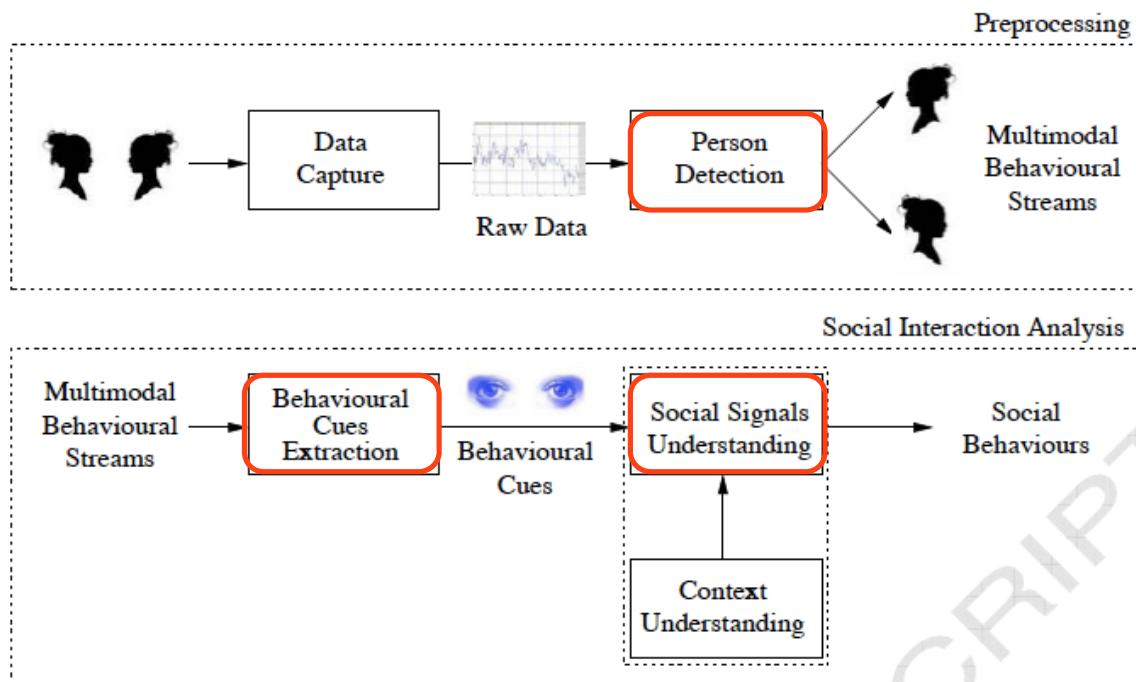
Hand gestures

- Taxonomy of hand gestures for HCI



- Visual interpretation of hand gestures can help in achieving the ease and naturalness desired for Human Computer Interaction (HCI).

Posture and gesture interaction



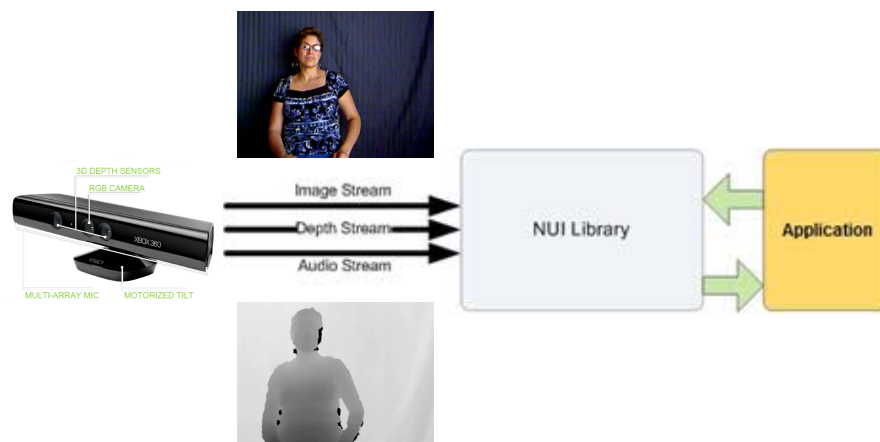
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Analysing postures and gestures: //detecting parts: Kinect style



Analysing postures and gestures: //detecting parts: Kinect style (Microsoft)

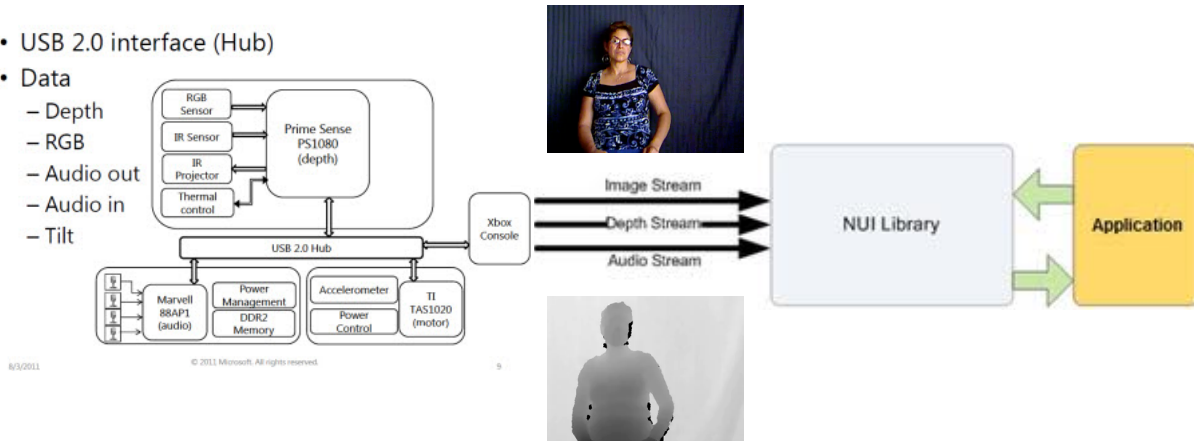


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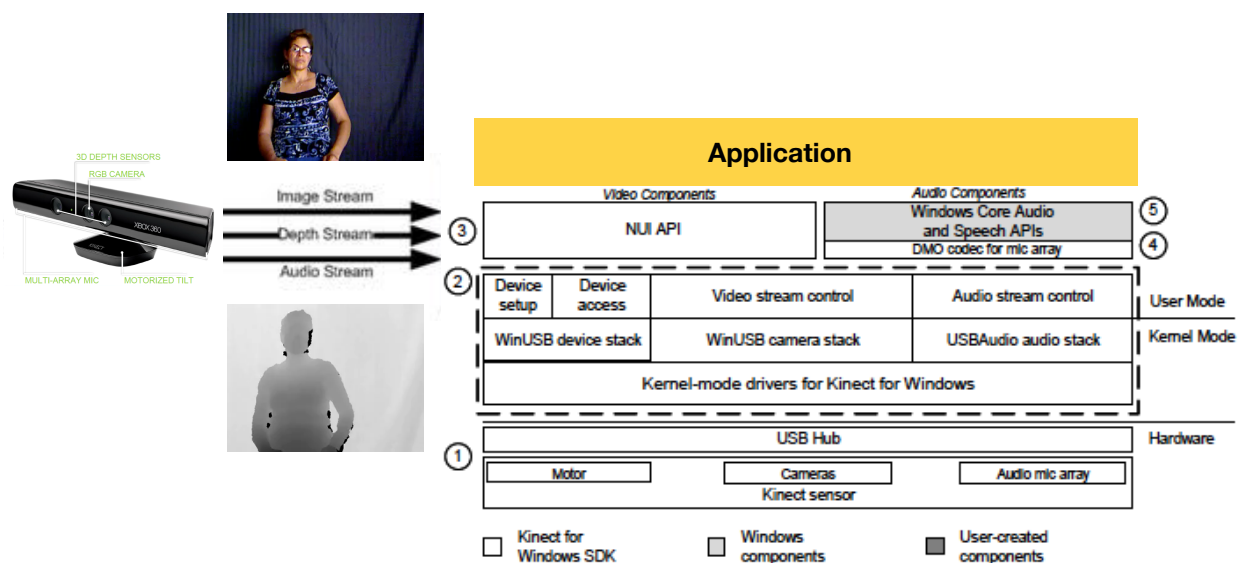
- USB 2.0 interface (Hub)

- Data

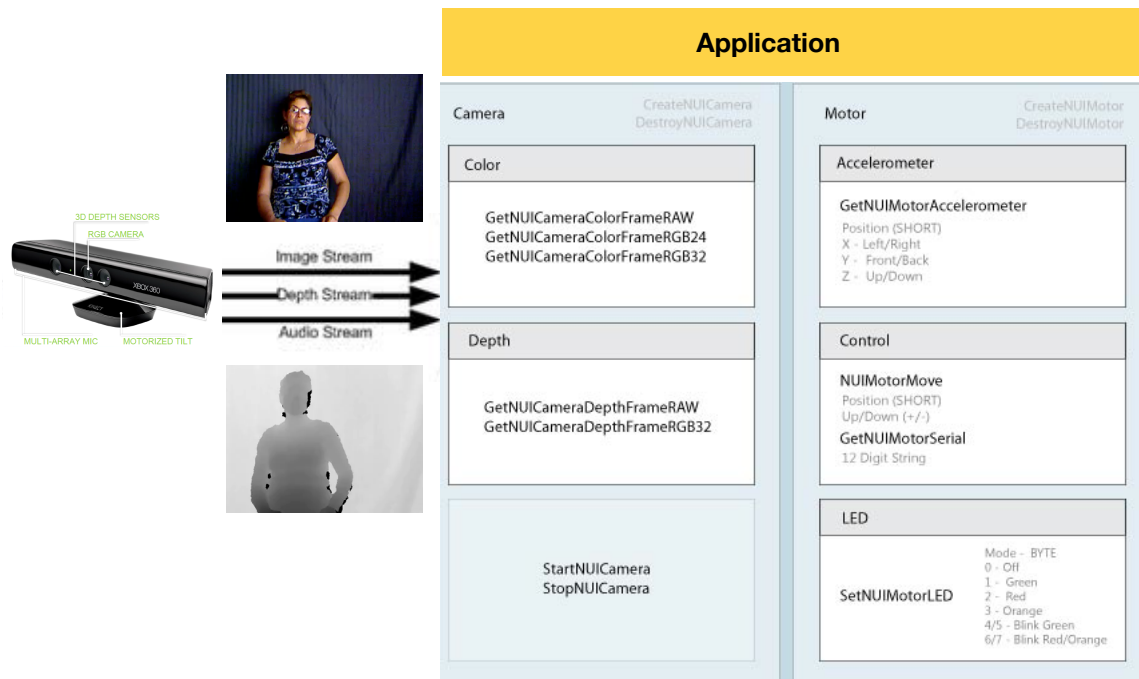
- Depth
- RGB
- Audio out
- Audio in
- Tilt



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Introducing OpenNI

The OpenNI organization is an industry-led, not-for-profit organization formed to certify and promote the compatibility and interoperability of Natural Interaction (NI) devices, applications and middleware.

As a first step towards this goal, the organization has made available an open source framework – the OpenNI framework – which provides an application programming interface (API) for writing applications utilizing natural interaction. This API covers communication with both low level devices (e.g. vision and audio sensors), as well as high-level middleware solutions (e.g. for visual tracking using computer vision).

On this website you will be able to download the open source OpenNI framework, and get information on third-party hardware and middleware solutions which are OpenNI compliant.

OpenNI Modules | OpenNI Production Nodes | OpenNI Production Chains

The OpenNI Framework provides the interface for physical devices and for middleware components. The API enables modules to be registered in the OpenNI framework and used to produce sensory data. Selecting the hardware or middleware module is easy and flexible.



Design



Design incredible Natural Interaction experiences and cutting edge User Interface

Develop



Develop compelling applications with powerful developer environments, resources, too, documentation

Experience



Experience the power of Natural Interaction for the new consumer lifestyle

Interact



Interact with other OpenNI champions and show off your stuff through the OpenNI forum and wiki

Latest News

- PrimeSense™ Establishes the OpenNI™ Standard and Developers' Initiative to Bring the World of Natural Interaction™ to Life
- OpenNI.org is live

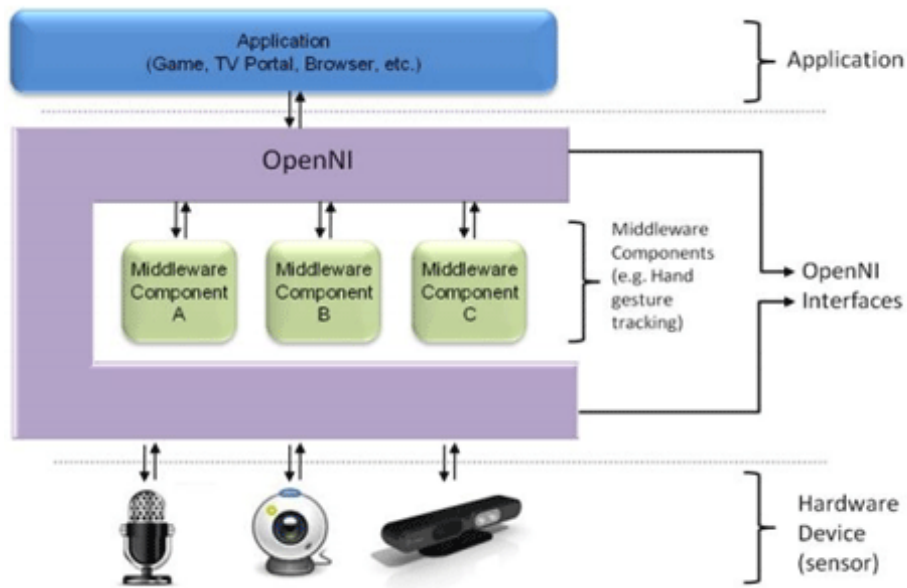
Latest Downloads

- MultipleHands.zip (11 Jan, 2011)
- SkeletonRec.oni (06 Jan, 2011)
- An OpenNI logo you can use to help promote OpenNI. (06 Jan, 2011)
- PrimeSense NITE Beta Build for for Ubuntu 10.10 x64 (64-bit) v1.3.0.17 (06 Jan, 2011)
- PrimeSense NITE Beta Build for for Ubuntu 10.10 x86 (32-bit) v1.3.0.17 (06 Jan, 2011)

<http://www.openni.org/>

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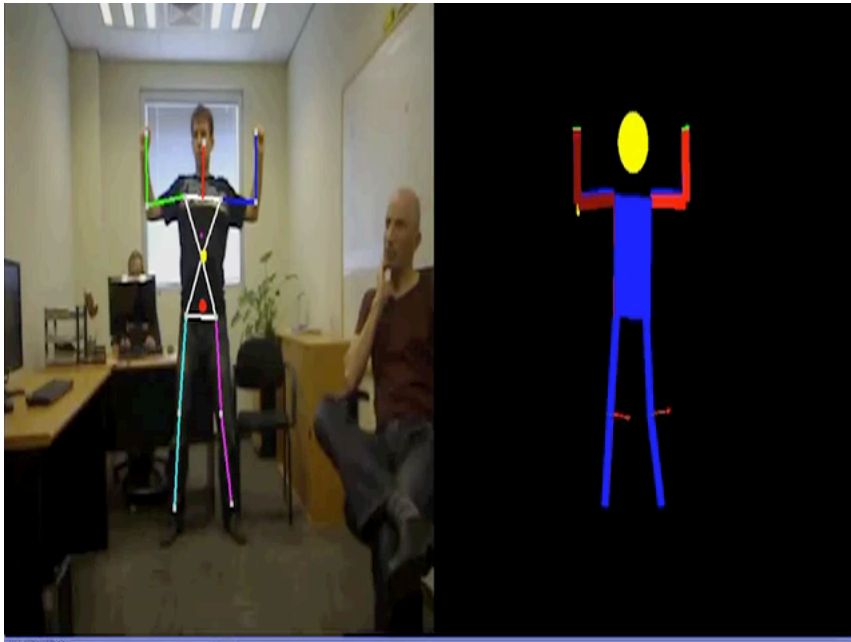
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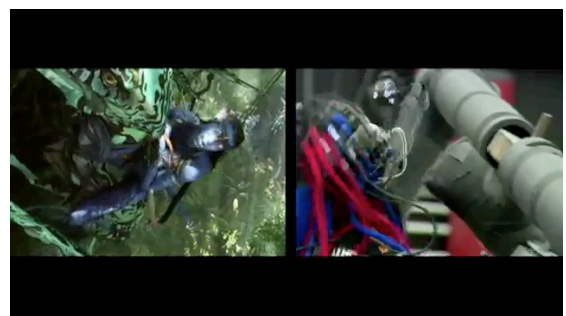
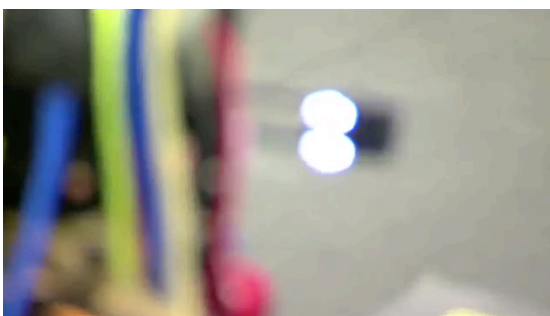
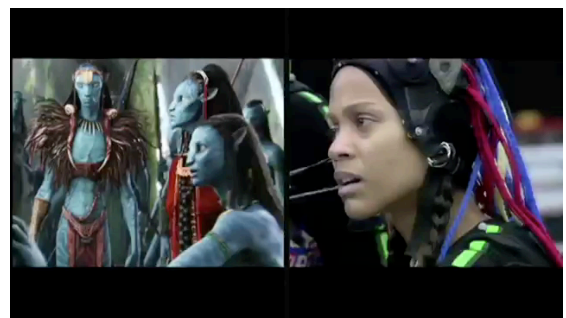
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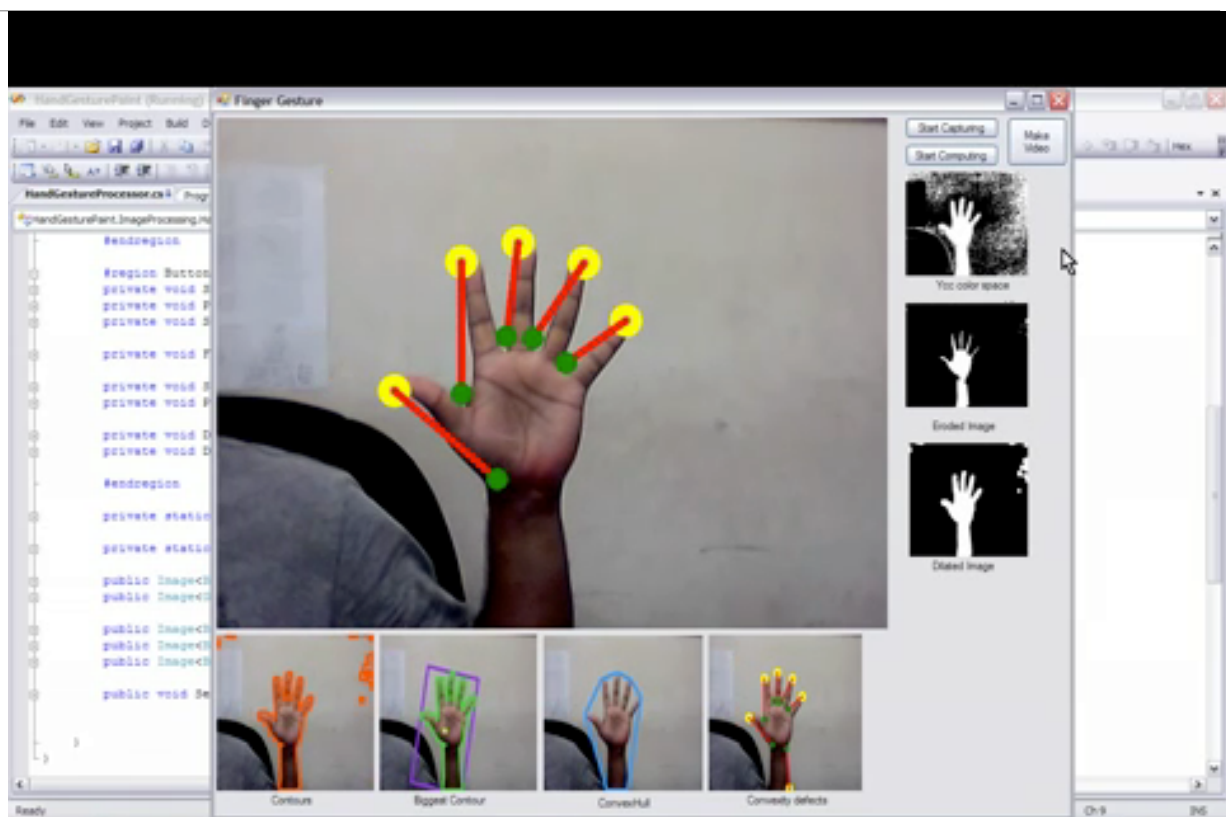
//detecting parts: motion capture



Analysing postures and gestures: //detecting parts: computer vision

- There are two main challenges in recognizing posture and gestures:
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 - addressed by selecting appropriate visual features: these include, e.g., histograms of oriented gradients , optical flow, spatio-temporal salient points and space-time volumes .
 - modeling the temporal dynamic of the gesture

Analysing postures and gestures: //detecting parts: computer vision



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tracked body parts indexed by different colors

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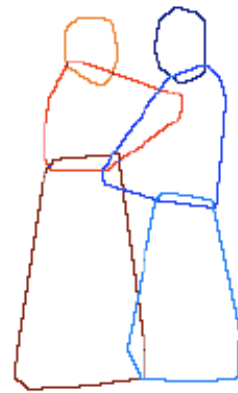
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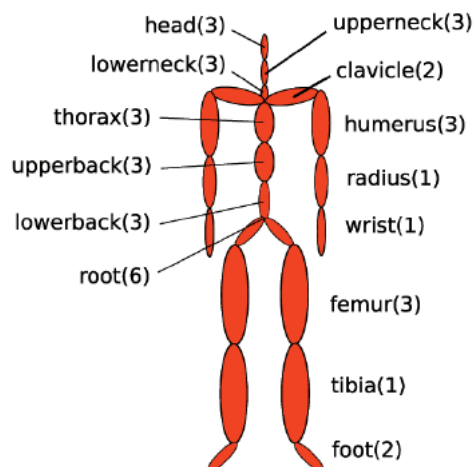
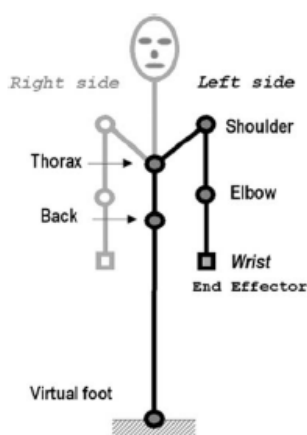


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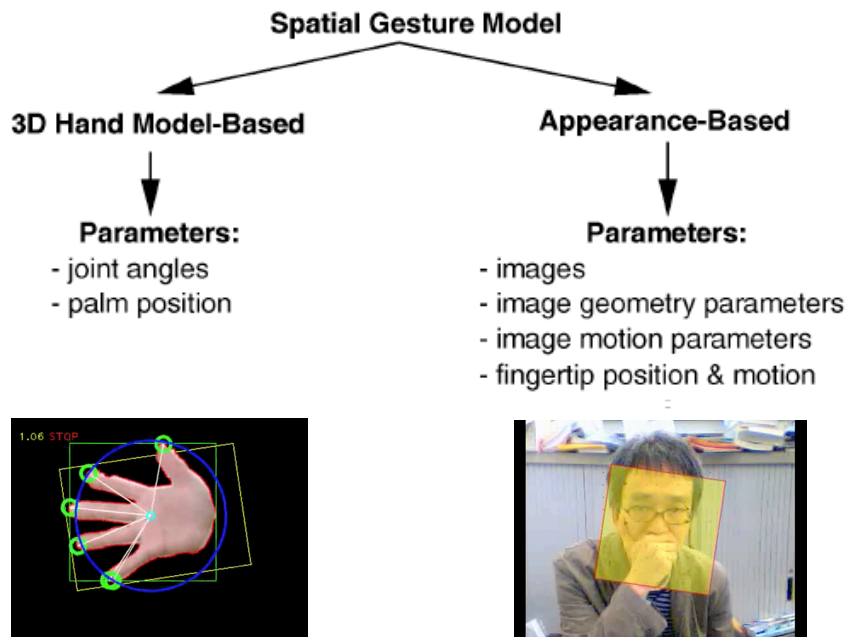


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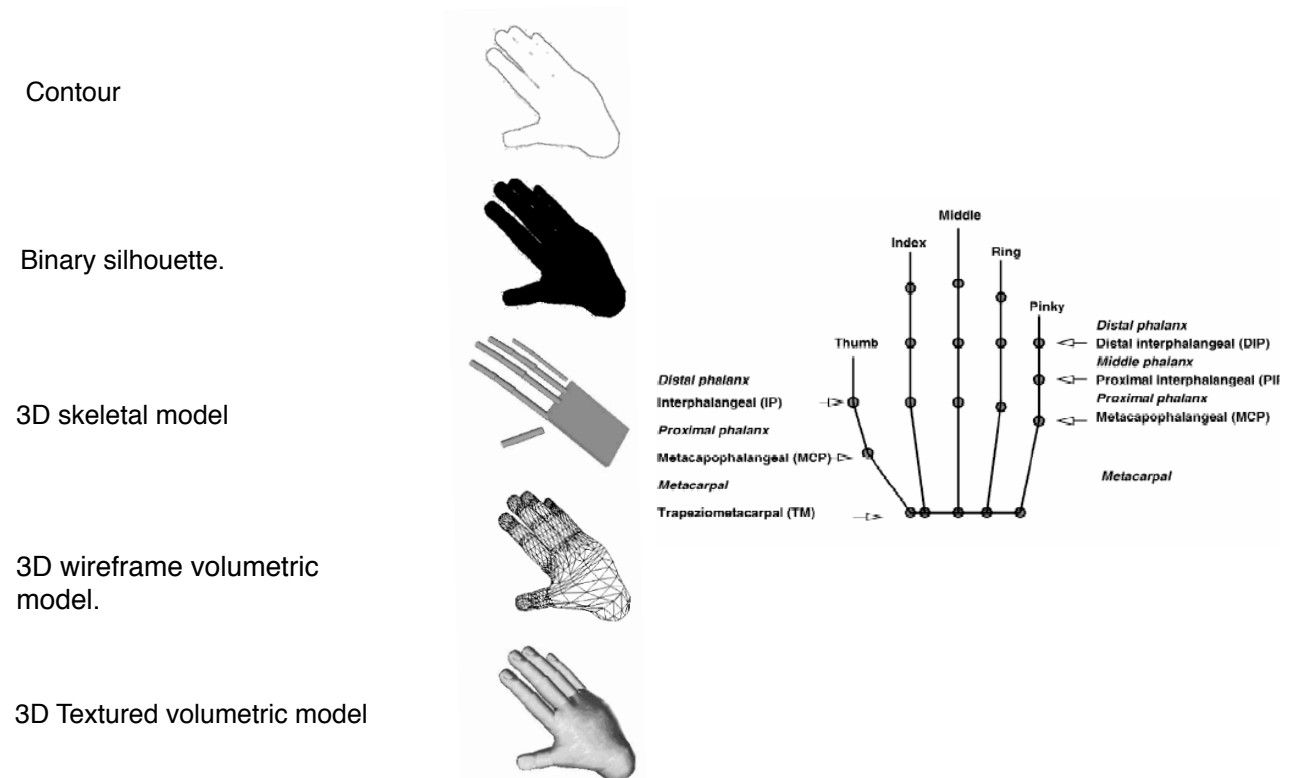
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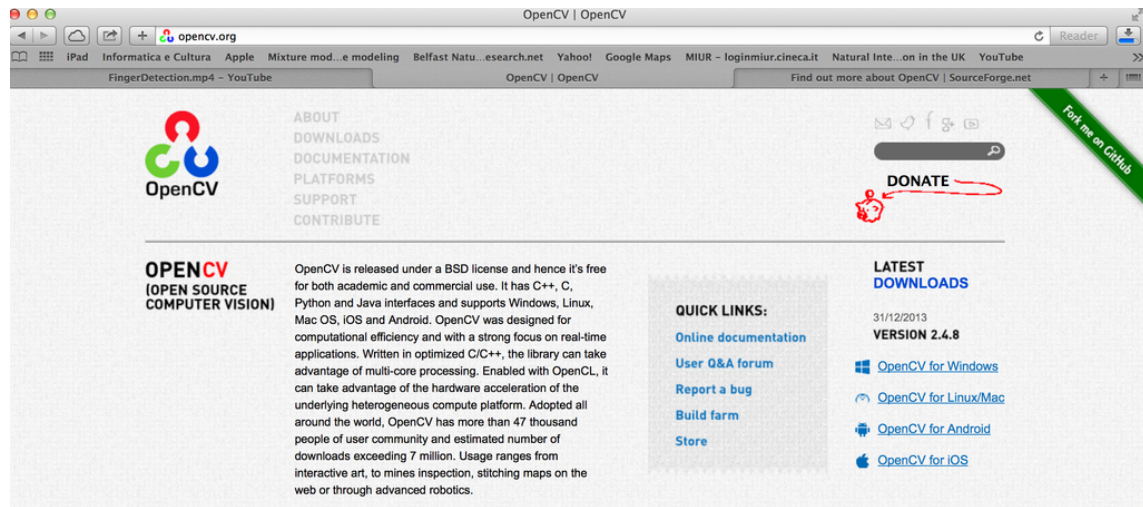
Analysing hand gestures: //representing parts: computer vision



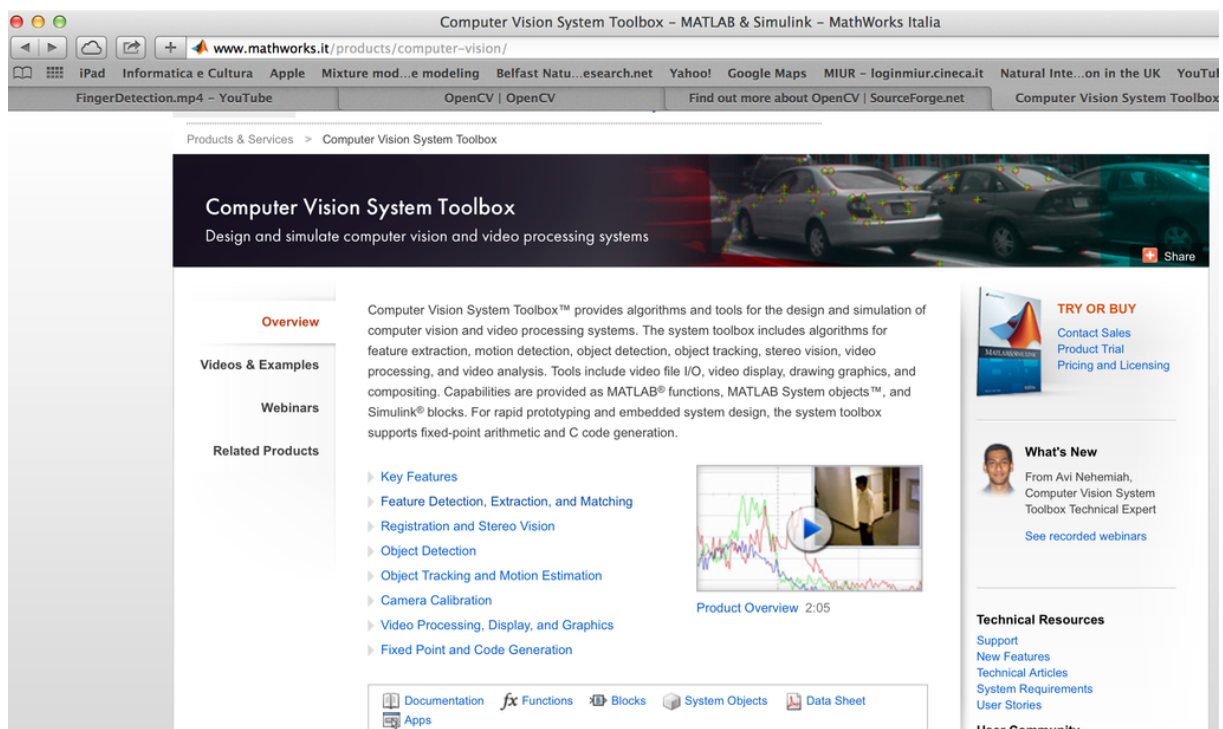
Analysing hand gestures: //representing parts: computer vision



Analysing postures and gestures: //detecting parts: computer vision (opencv)

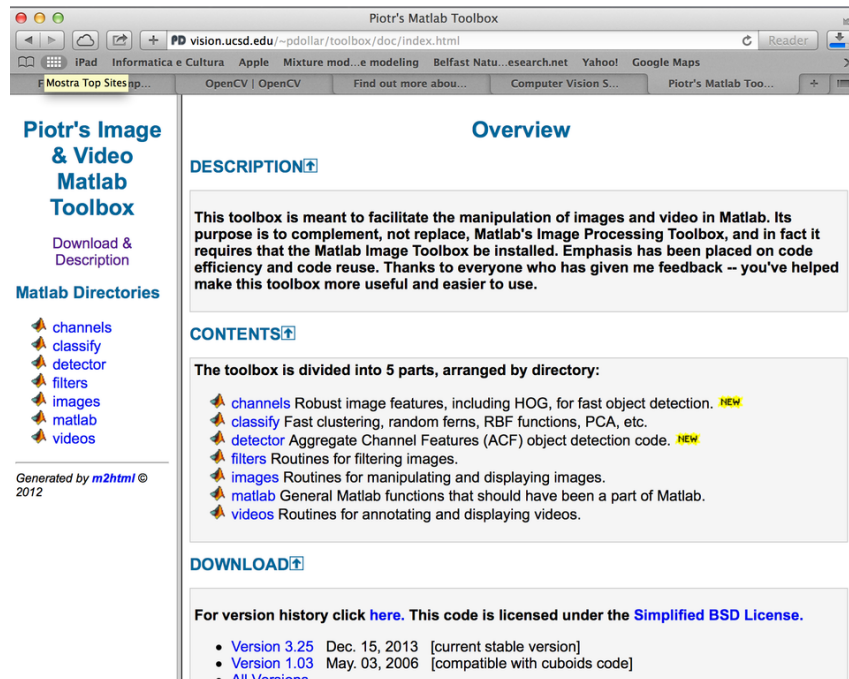


Analysing postures and gestures: //detecting parts: computer vision (Matlab)



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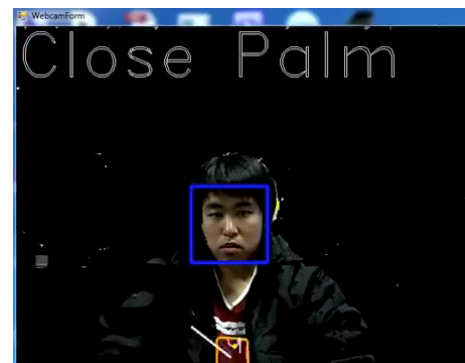
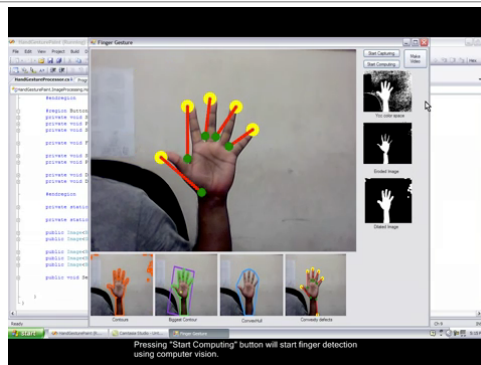
//detecting parts: computer vision (Piotr's toolbox)



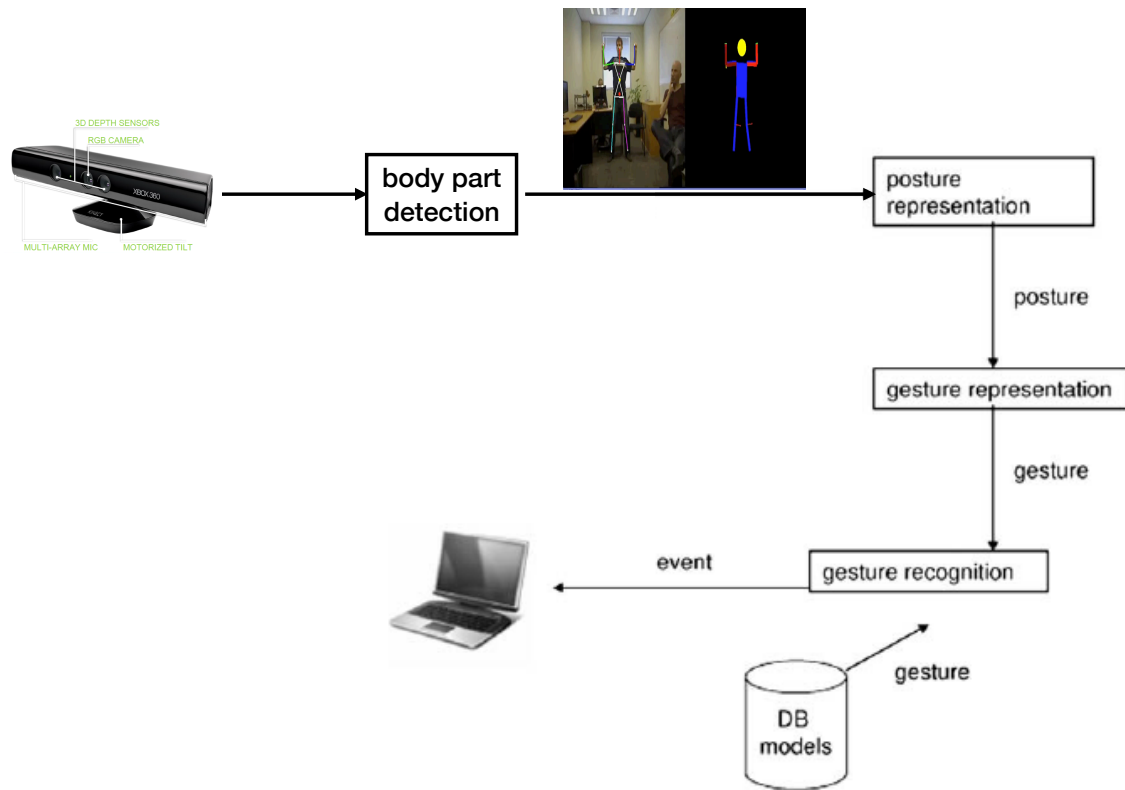
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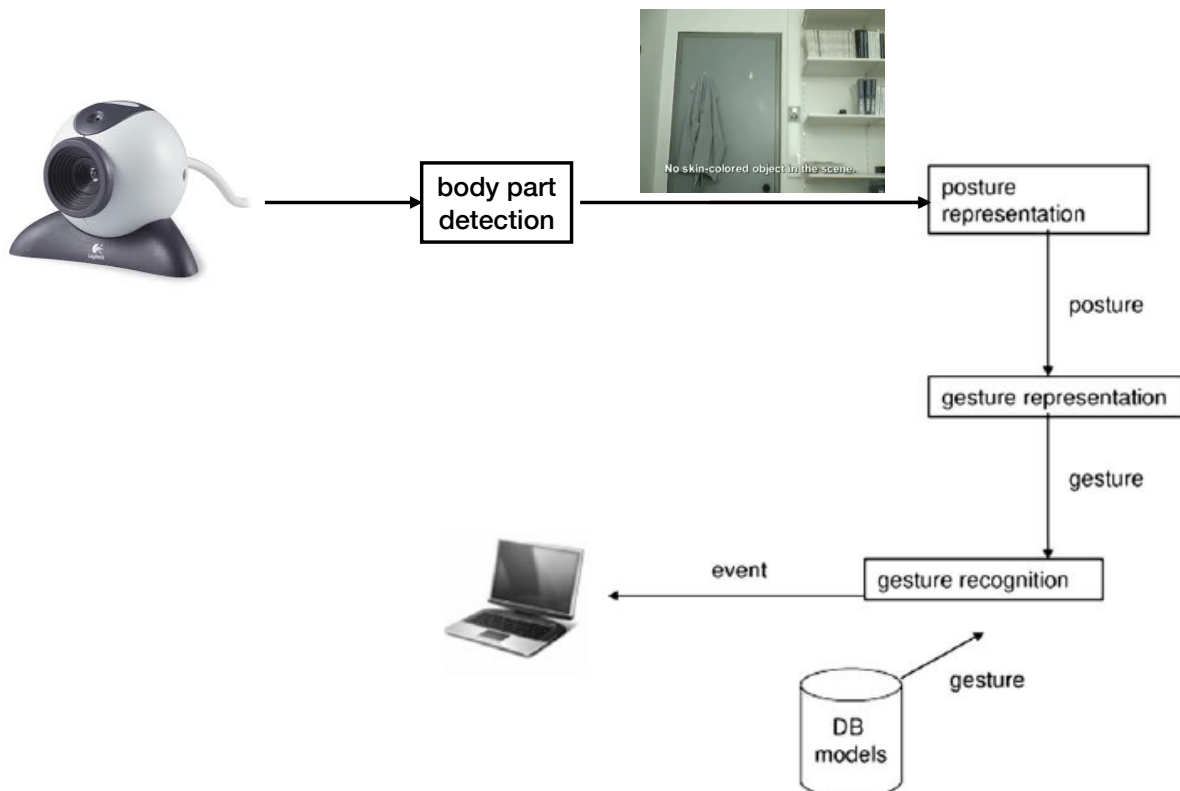
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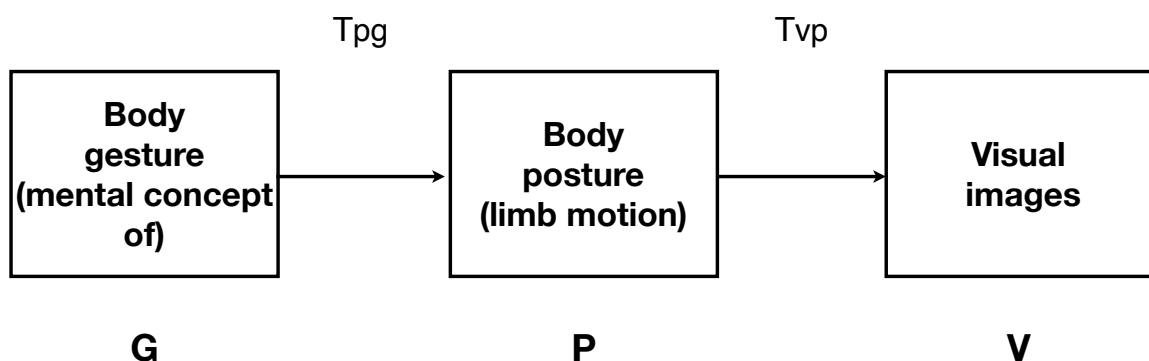
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 - addressed by using techniques such as Dynamic Time Warping , Hidden Markov Models, and Conditional Random Fields .

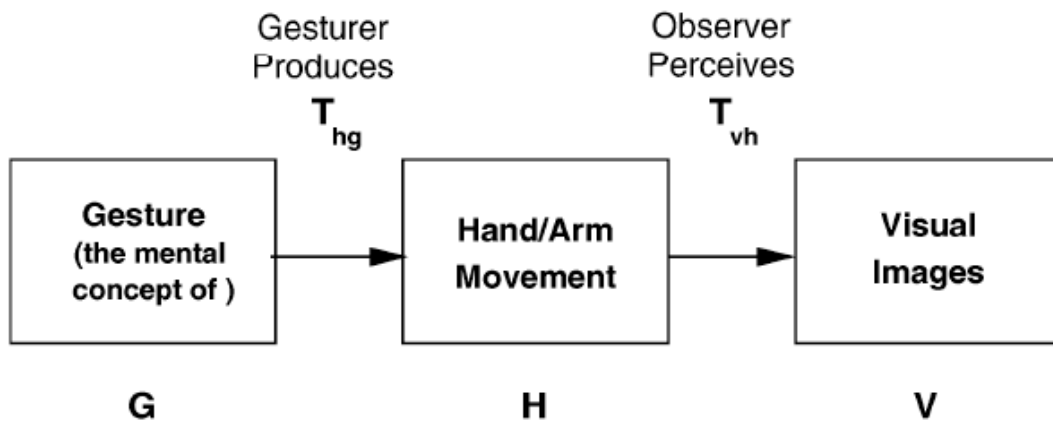
Body gestures and postures //Generative model



Production and perception of body gestures. Body gestures originate as a mental concept G , are expressed (T_{pg}) through limb motion B , and are perceived (T_{vp}) as visual images V .

Hand gestures

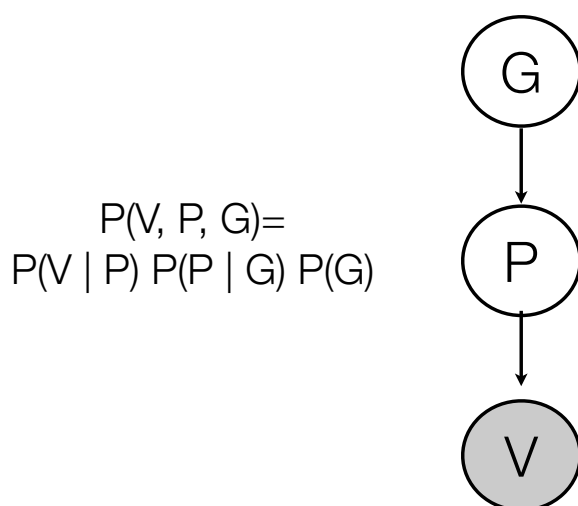
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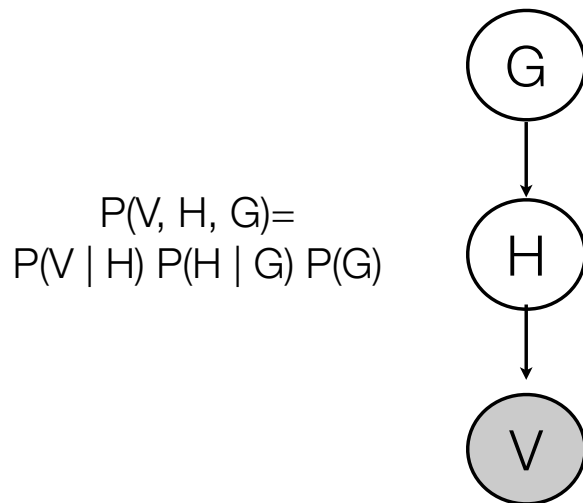
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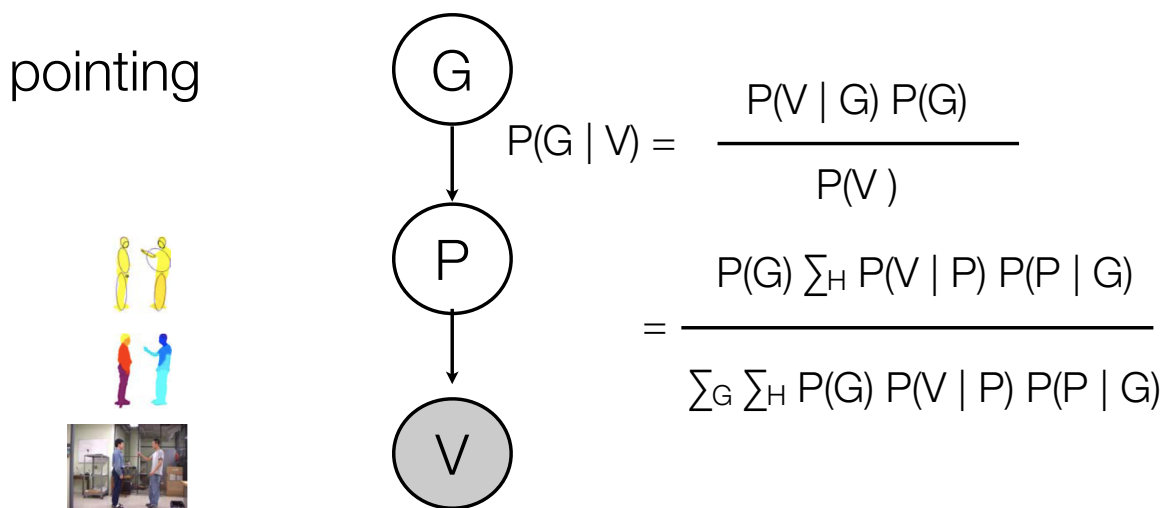
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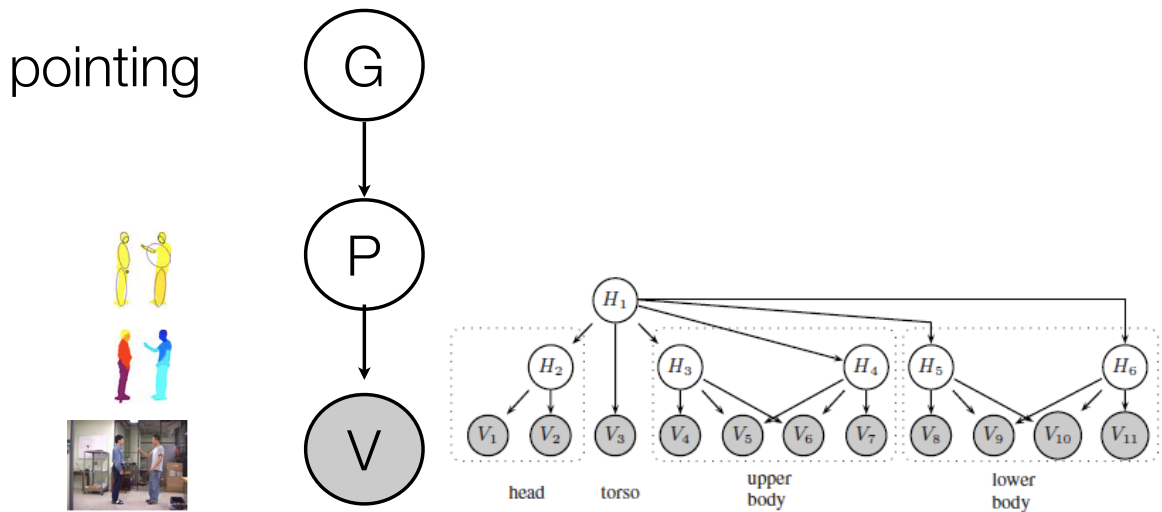
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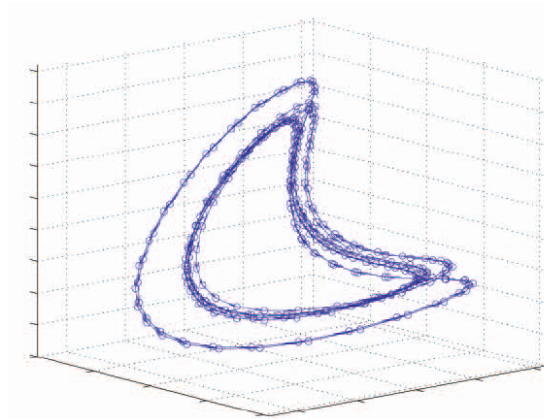
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//Generative model: more complex model

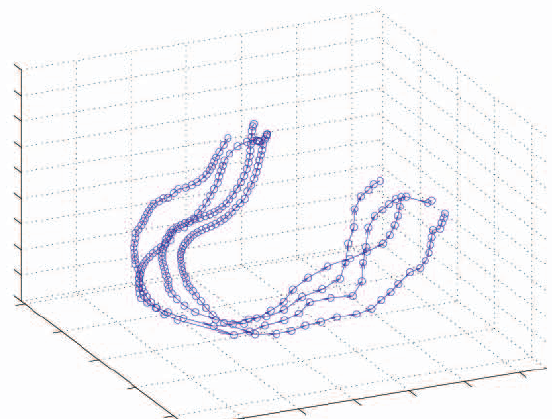


Body gestures and postures

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walking



golf swing

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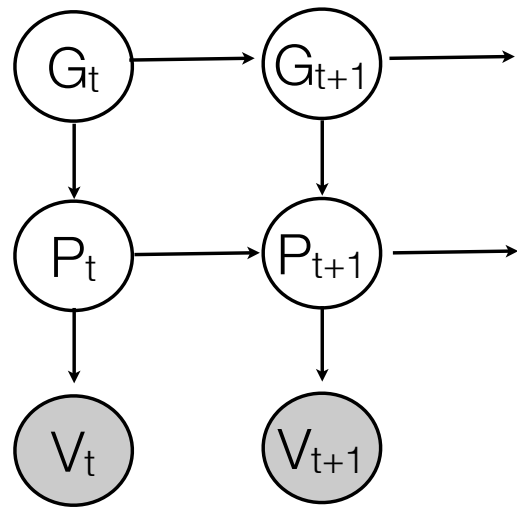
Body gestures and postures

//Generative model: inference

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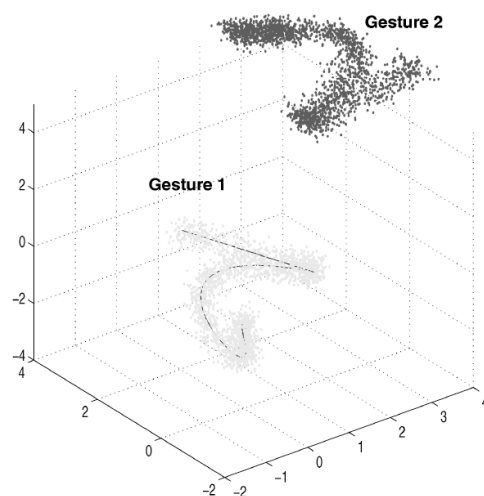
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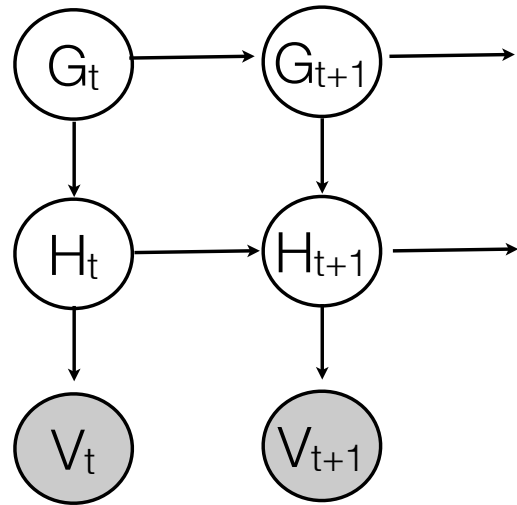
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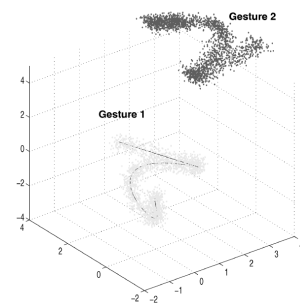
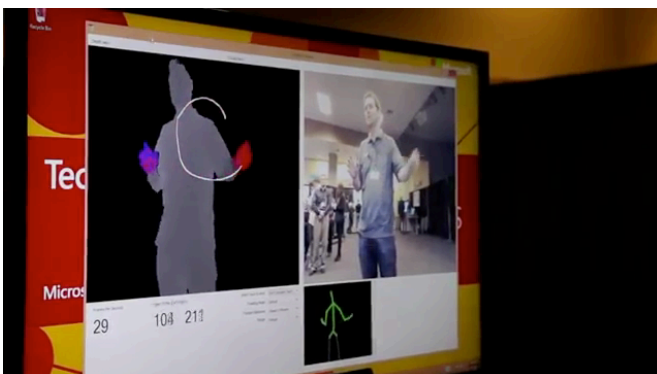
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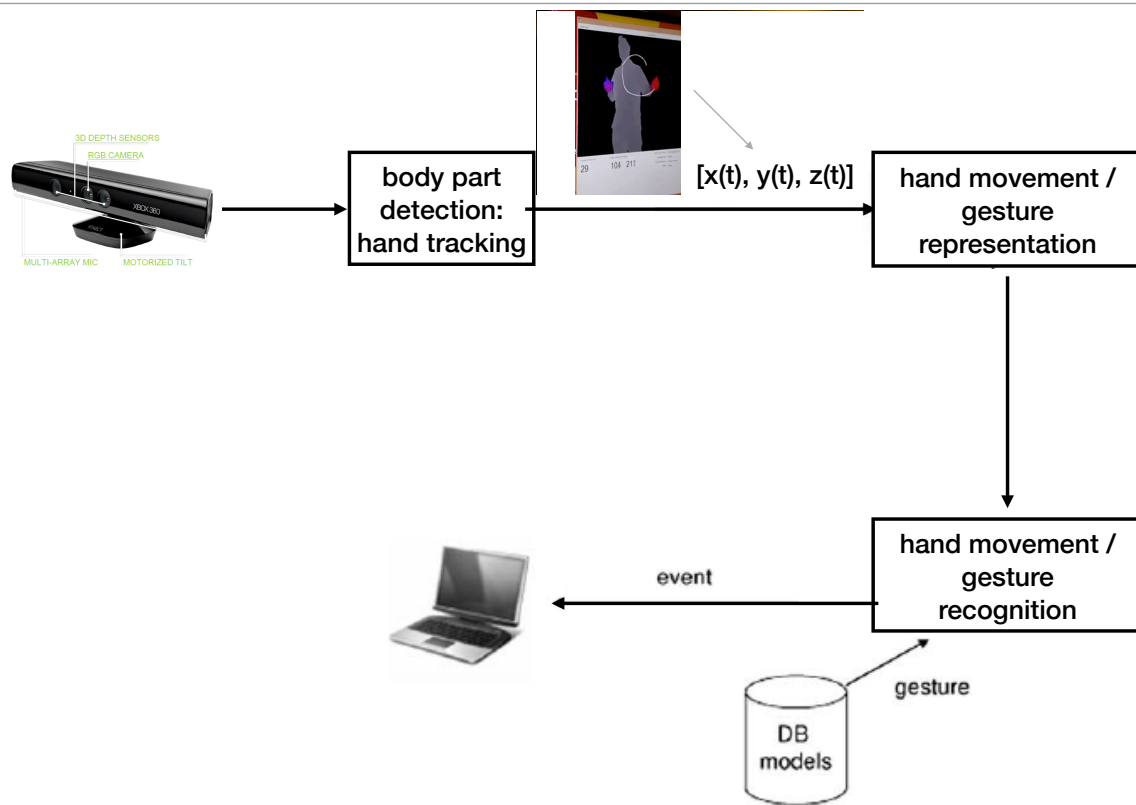
//Simple example



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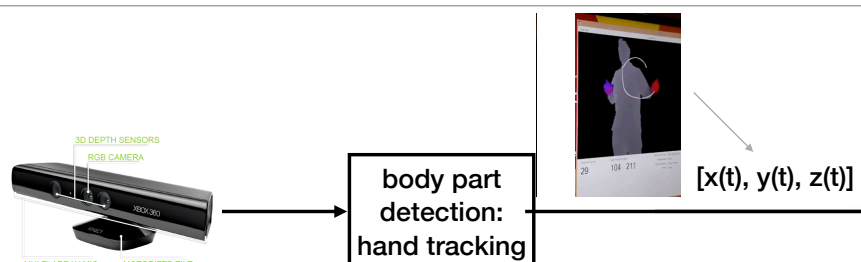
Hand gesture recognition

//Simple example: app architecture



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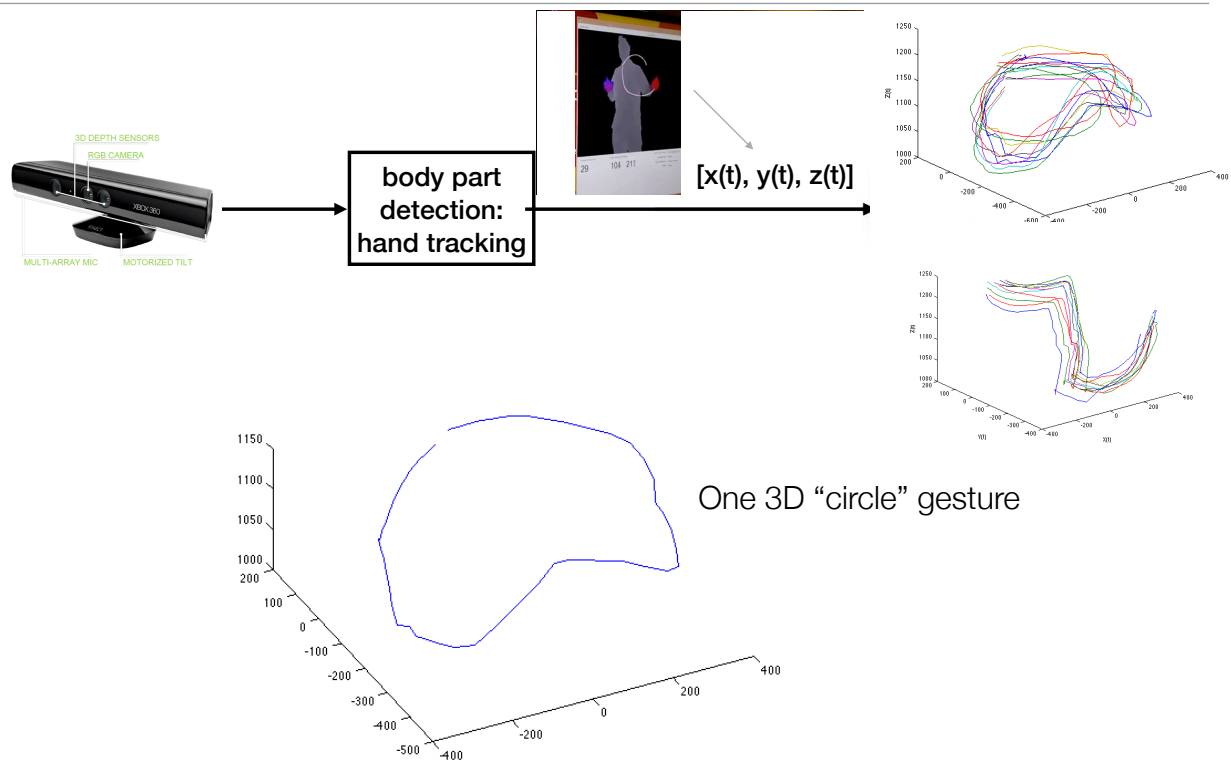


Features: sequential 3D points (x, y, z) of the hand

- Computed from the hand-point tracking code implemented in PrimeSense open-source OpenNI framework for Kinect
- Each gesture repeated 10 times
- OpenNI hand-tracking code runs at 30 frames per second, a two-second circle gesture is captured in 60 observations (trajectory sampled points),
- Each observation having three dimensions (x, y, z)

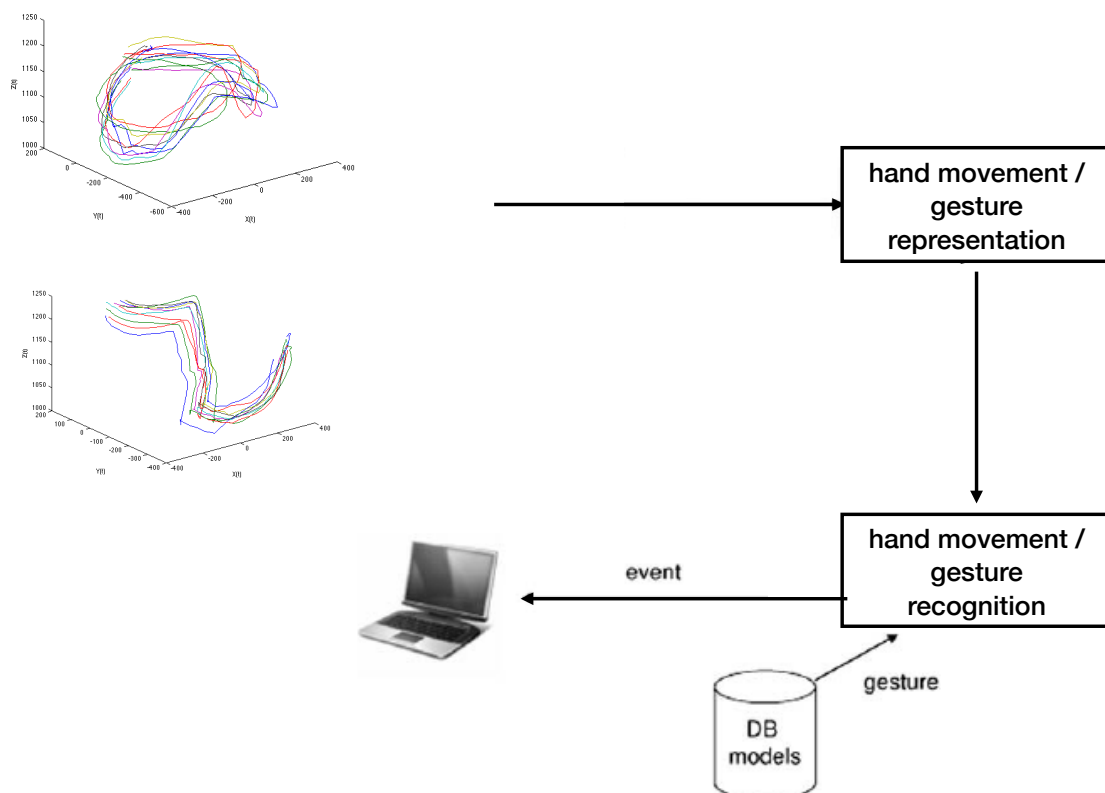
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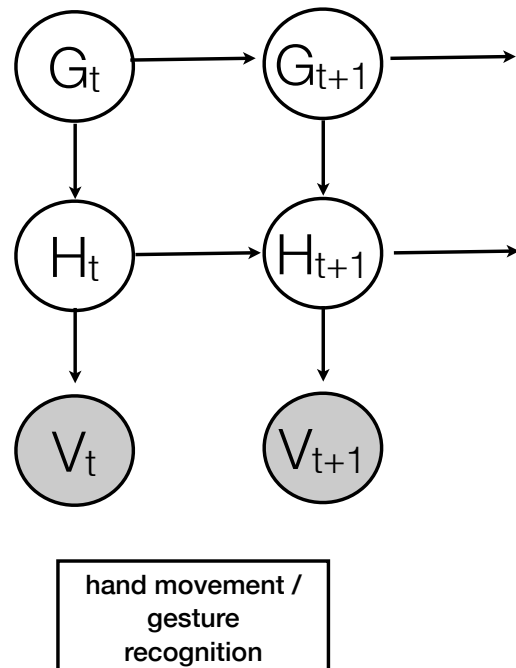
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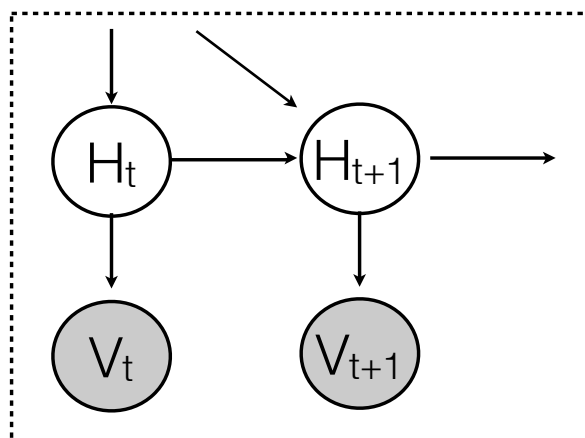
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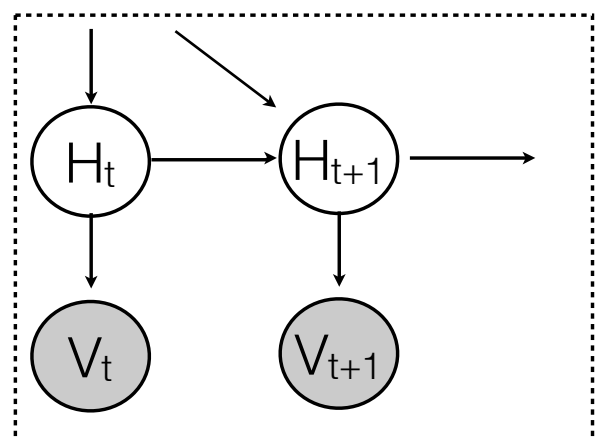
Hand gesture recognition

//Simple example: gesture inference

G=circle



G=other



Each gesture is modelled by a specific HMM

Can compute the log-likelihood of the hand movement, given the gesture:

$$\log P(H_{t+1}, H_t, H_{t-1}, \dots | G = \text{circle})$$

Hand gesture recognition

//Simple example: gesture inference

Prior choice: restrict the model to the sequence of adjacent states that constitute a gesture.

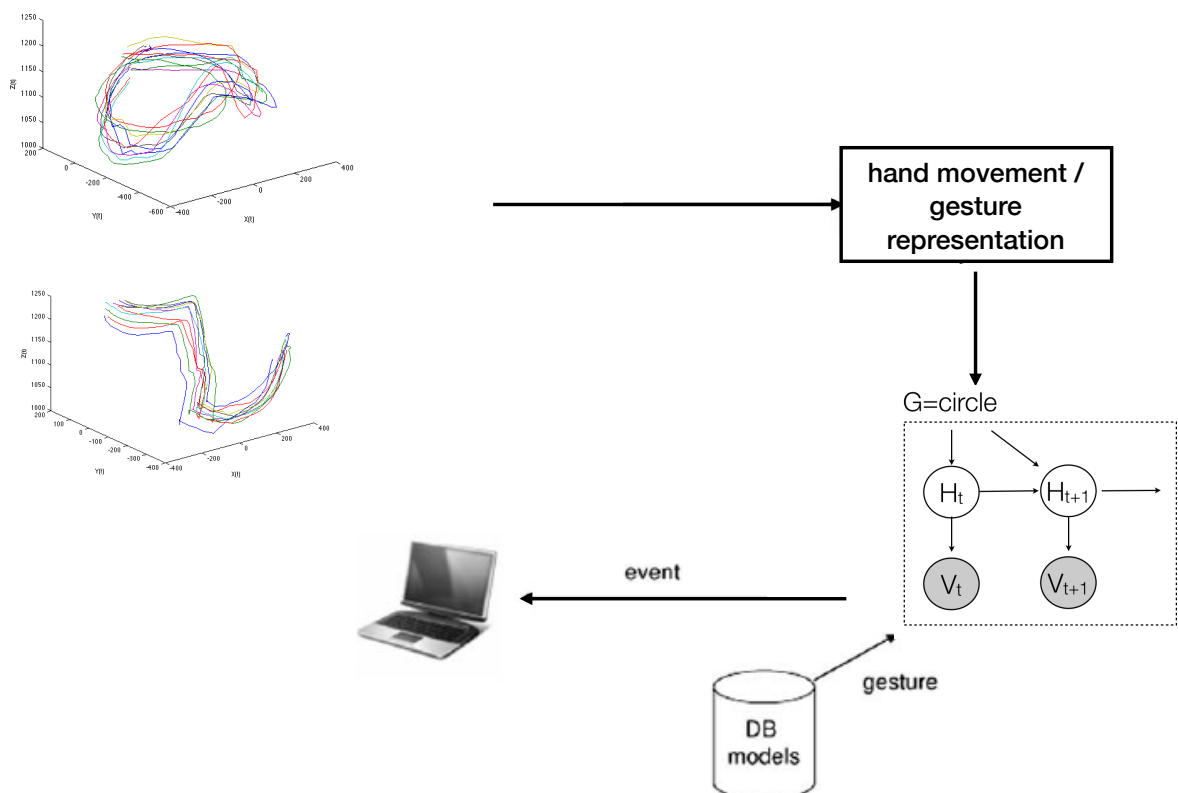
- zeroing out the probabilities at the matrix edges: the probabilities of jumping between distant states in the model

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- choose a prior that constrains the transition matrix such that state transitions can only occur in one direction and between two adjacent states: a left-to-right HMM

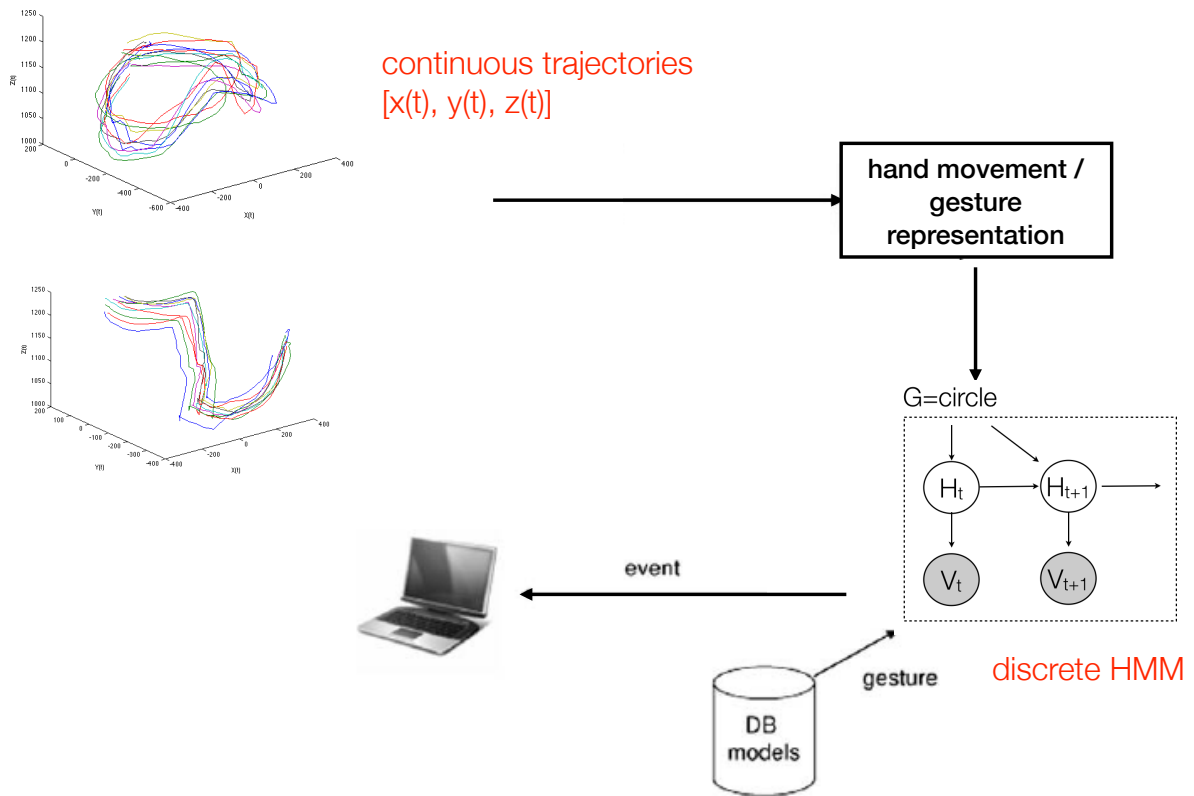
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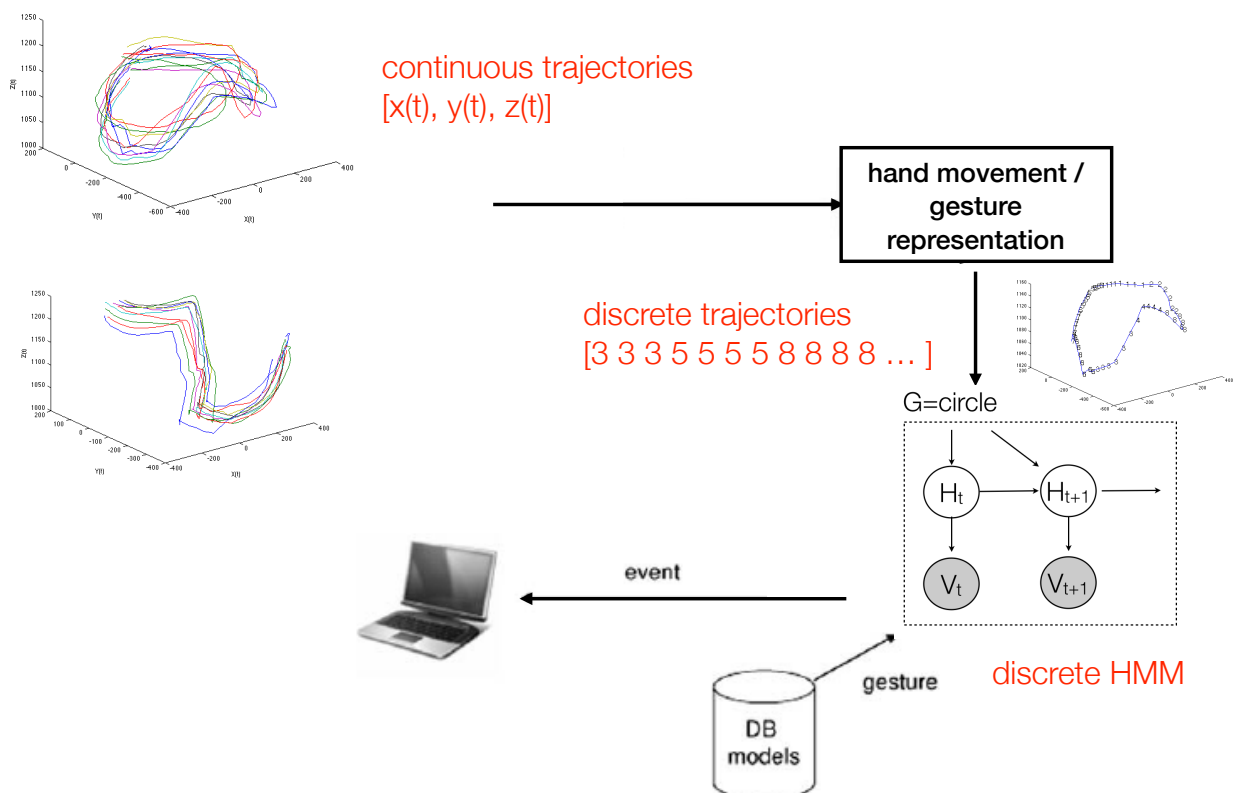
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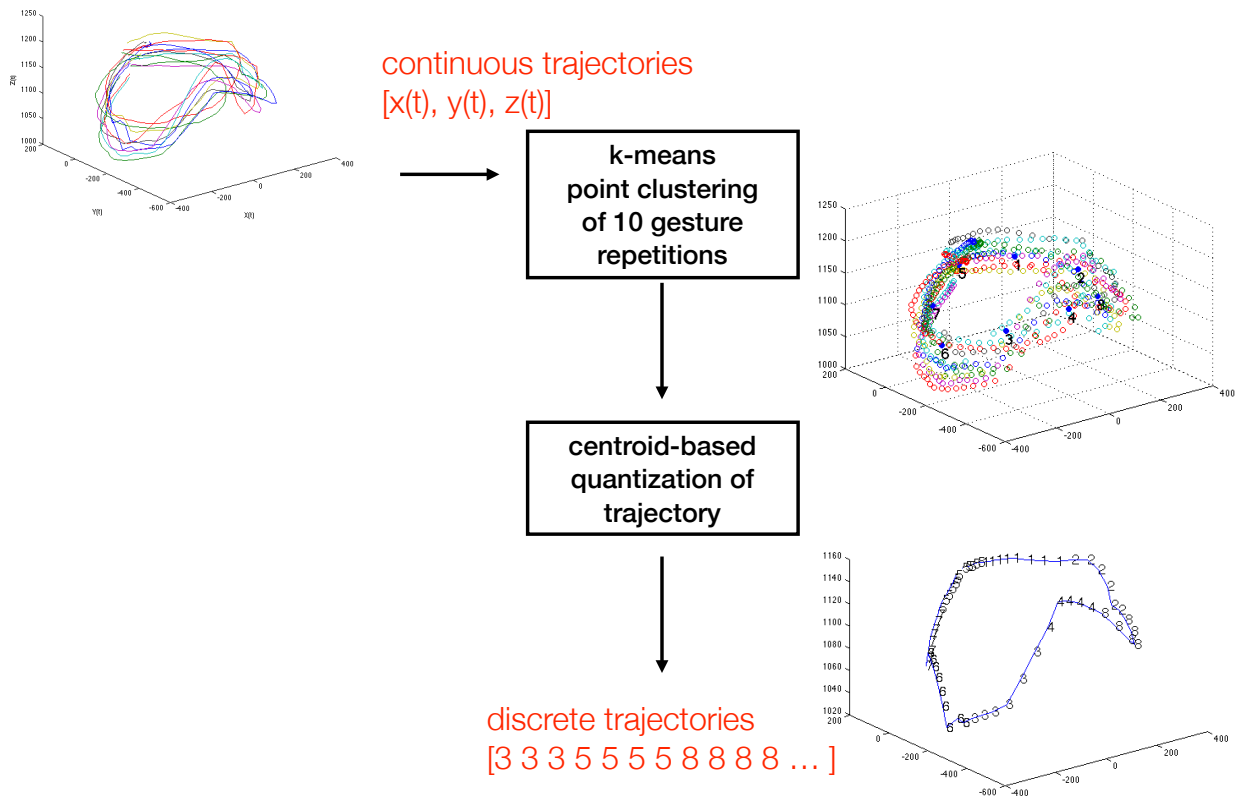
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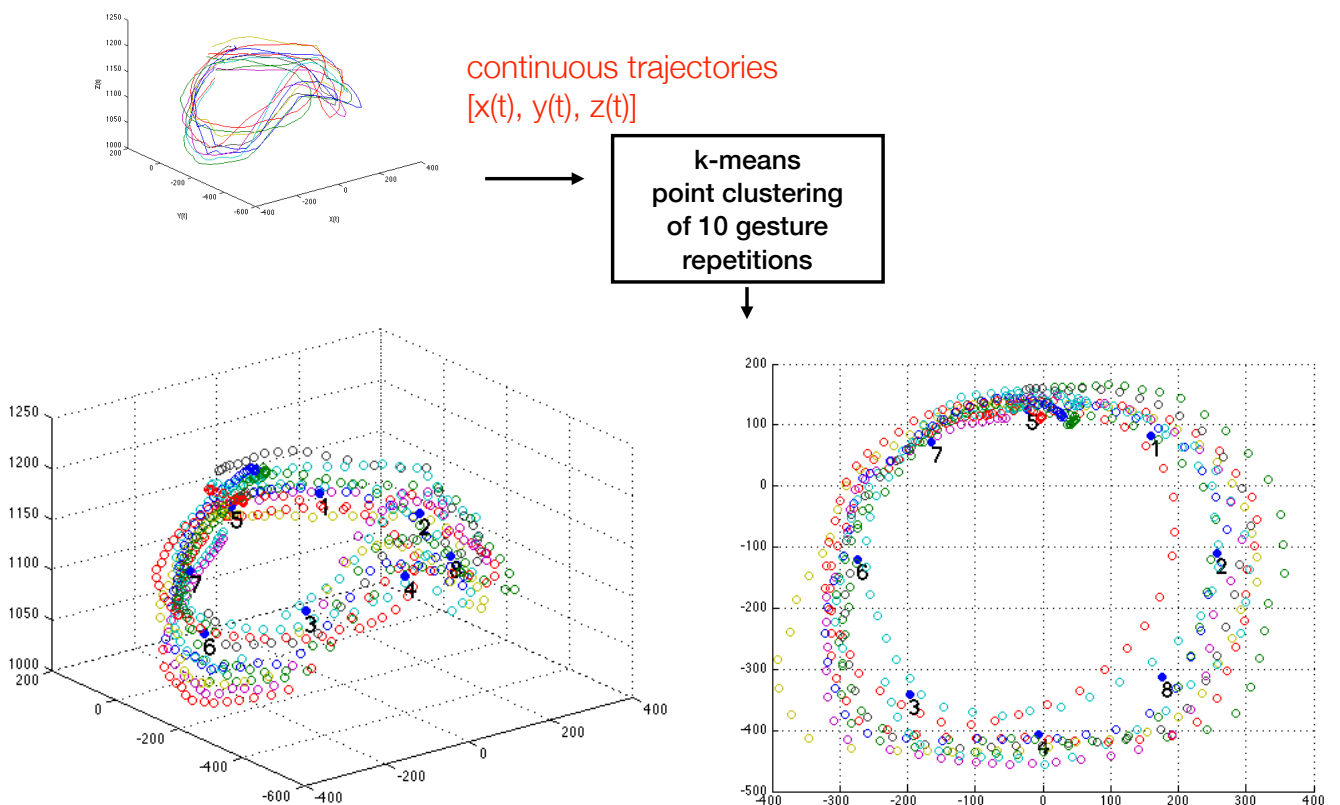
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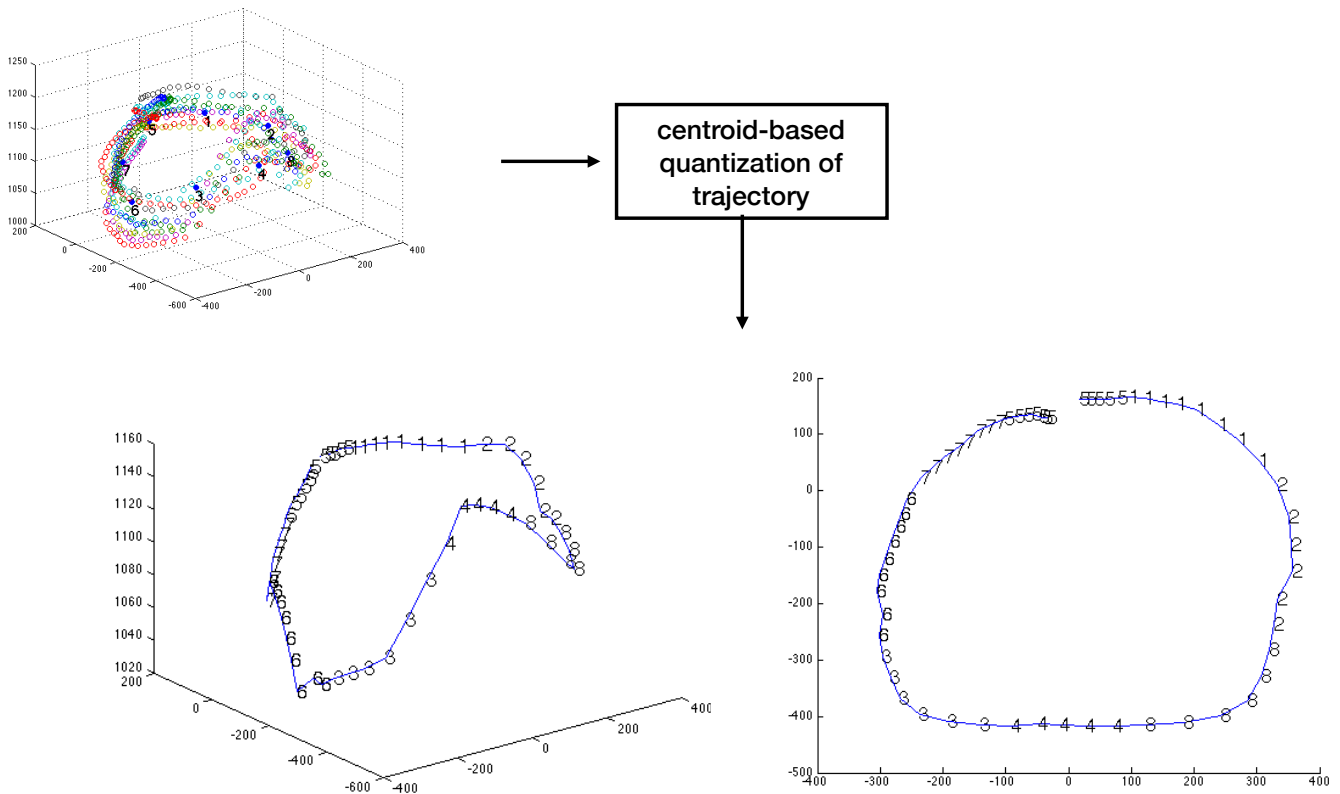
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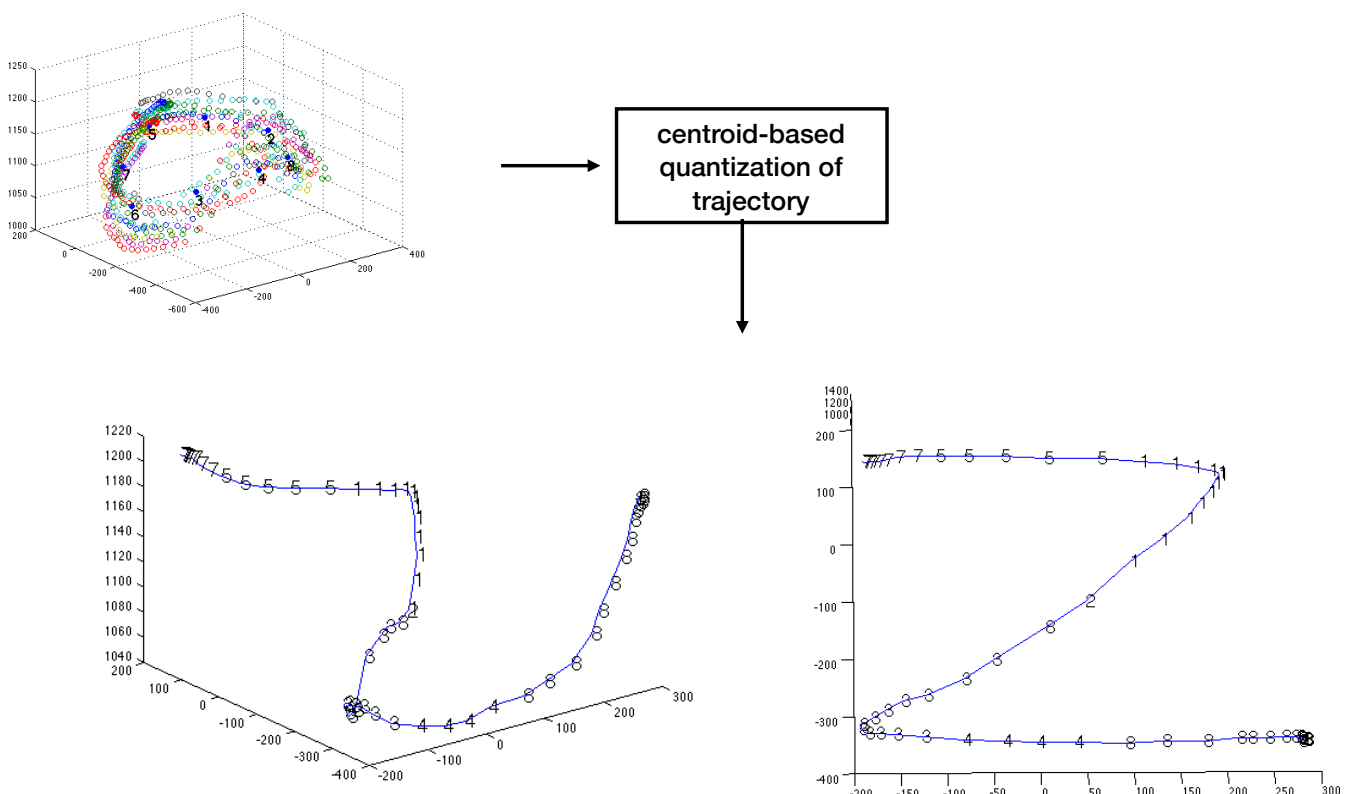
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