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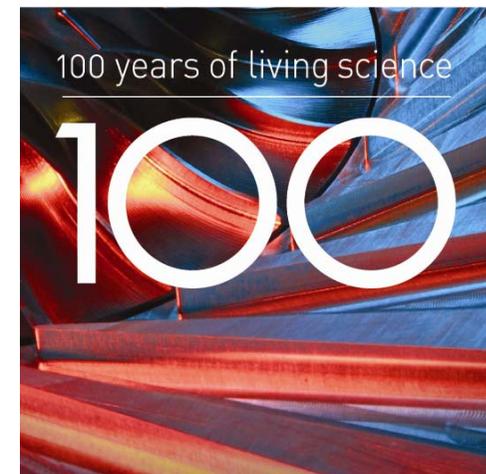
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Body Sensor Networks – Research Challenges and Applications

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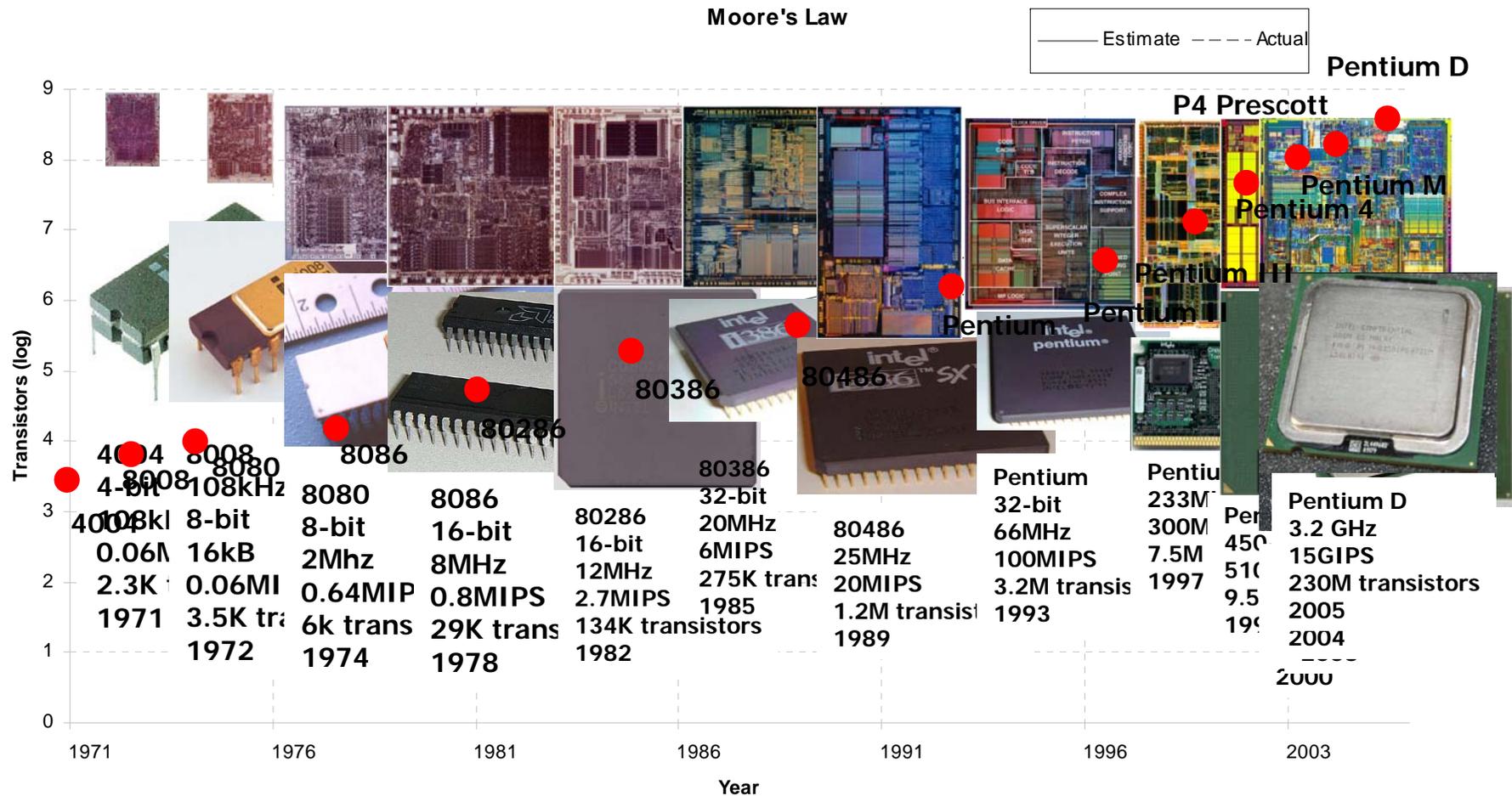
Imperial College London: basic stats



- 2700 academic and research staff:
6 campuses
- 10,000 students (1/3rd post-grad)
- 18 Nobel Prize winners
- Faculties of Natural Sciences,
Engineering, Medicine, and
Business School
- Highest research income in UK
universities: £155 million p.a.; also highest
industry funded research in the UK
- Total income: £410 million p.a.



Evolution of computer technologies



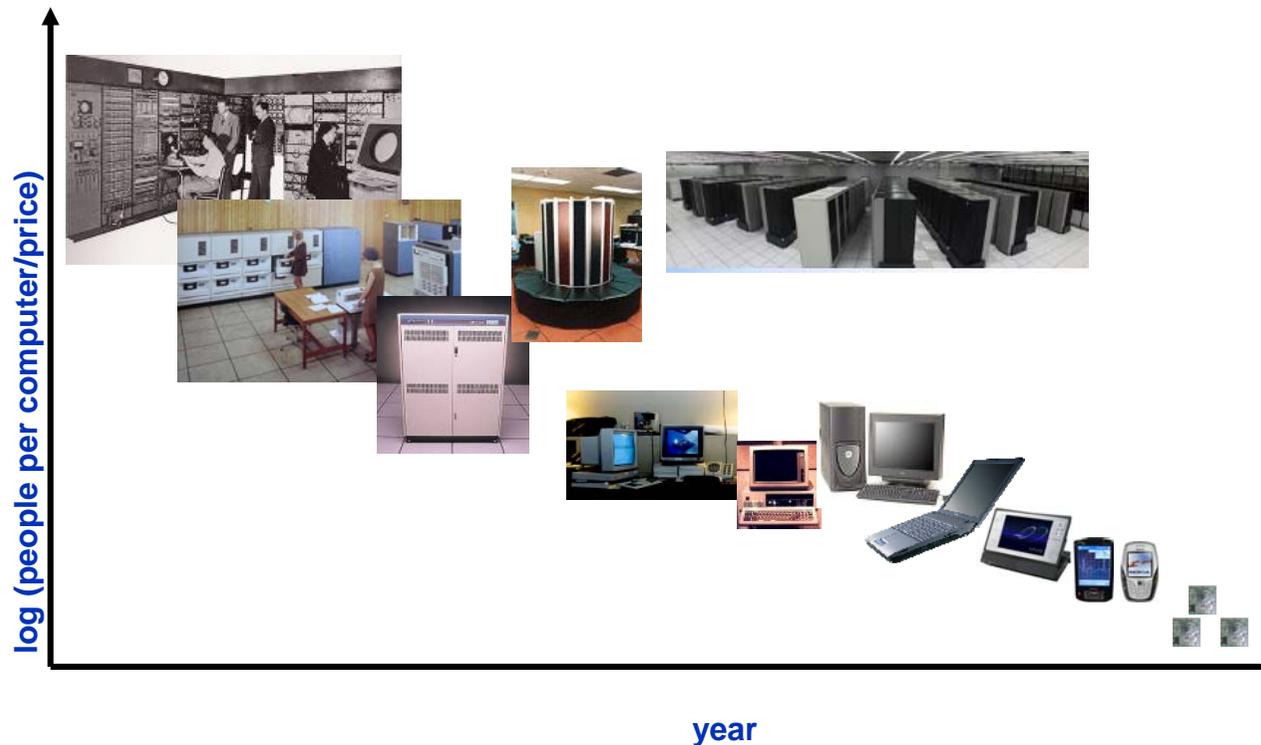
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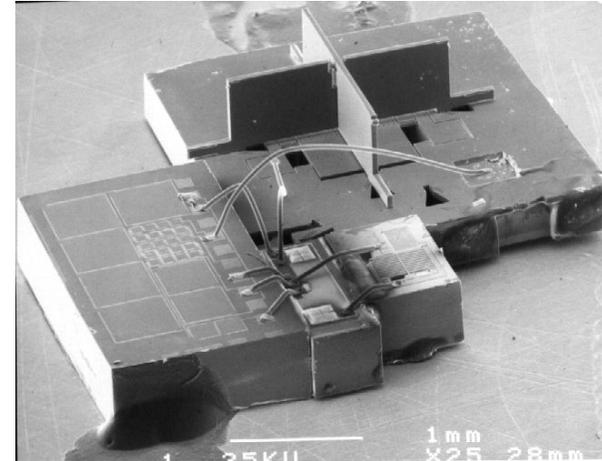
■ Bell's Law

- New computing class every decade
- New applications and contents develop around each new class



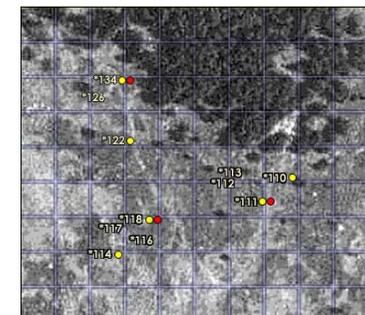
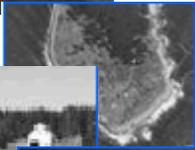
WSN – dust

- 11.7mm³
- Solar powered
- Bi-directional communications (laser light house)
- Sensing (acceleration and ambient light)



Habitat Monitoring: Great Duck Island Study

- In the spring 2002 and in August 2003, Intel Research Lab Berkeley deployed a large number of wireless sensor network nodes on Great Duck Island which monitors the microclimates in and around nesting burrows used by the Leach's Storm Petrel.
- Aimed to develop a habitat monitoring kit for non-intrusive and non-disruptive monitoring of sensitive wildlife and habitats.
- Each mote has a microcontroller, a low-power radio, memory and batteries.
- Temperature, humidity, barometric pressure, and mid-range infrared sensors were used.
- Motes periodically sample and relay their sensor readings to computer base stations on the island. These in turn feed into a satellite link that allows researchers to access real-time environmental data over the Internet.





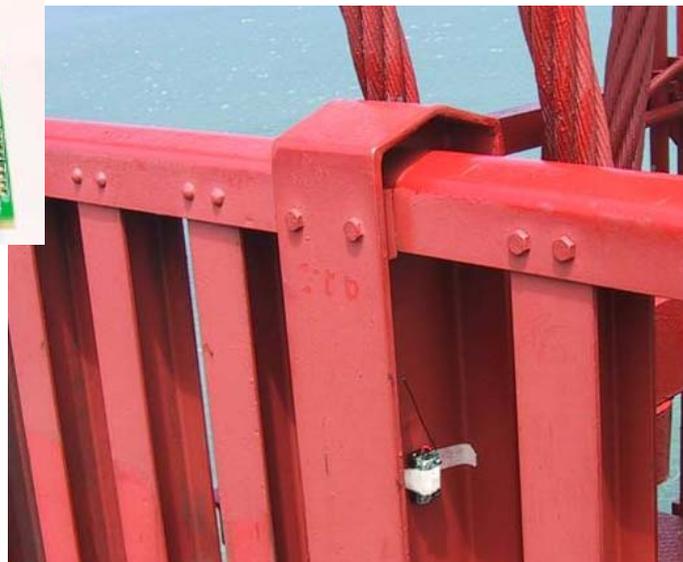
Location tracking: MIT - Cricket

- **Cricket** is indoor location system for pervasive and sensor-based computing environments
- Ultrasound sensors are integrated with motes for tracking objects and activities
- Provides location information – identify space, position, coordinates and orientation of the subject – to applications running on handhelds, laptops, and sensor nodes
- Intended for indoor usage where outdoor systems like GPS wouldn't work



Structural Health Monitoring: Golden gate bridge study

- Golden gate bridge is exposed to strong wind and earth quake
- Budget for structural monitoring ~US\$1,000,000
- Accelerometers are used to monitoring the vibration on the bridge and temperature sensors are integrated to calibrate the accelerometer against temperature difference





Mote Evolution

Mote Type Year	<i>WeC</i> 1998	<i>René</i> 1999	<i>René 2</i> 2000	<i>Dot</i> 2000	<i>Mica</i> 2001	<i>Mica2Dot</i> 2002	<i>Mica 2</i> 2002	<i>Telos</i> 2004	
									
Microcontroller									
Type	AT90LS8535		ATmega163		ATmega128			TI MSP430	
Program memory (KB)	8		16		128			60	
RAM (KB)	0.5		1		4			2	
Active Power (mW)	15		15		8		33	3	
Sleep Power (μ W)	45		45		75		75	6	
Wakeup Time (μ s)	1000		36		180		180	6	
Nonvolatile storage									
Chip	24LC256				AT45DB041B			ST M24M01S	
Connection type	I ² C				SPI			I ² C	
Size (KB)	32				512			128	
Communication									
Radio	TR1000				TR1000	CC1000		CC2420	
Data rate (kbps)	10				40	38.4		250	
Modulation type	OOK				ASK	FSK		O-QPSK	
Receive Power (mW)	9				12	29		38	
Transmit Power at 0dBm (mW)	36				36	42		35	
Power Consumption									
Minimum Operation (V)	2.7		2.7		2.7		1.8		
Total Active Power (mW)	24				27	44	89	41	
Programming and Sensor Interface									
Expansion	none	51-pin	51-pin	none	51-pin	19-pin	51-pin	10-pin	
Communication	IEEE 1284 (programming) and RS232 (requires additional hardware)							USB	
Integrated Sensors	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	



Wireless and Body Sensor Networks

WSN

- Cover the environment
- Large number of nodes
- Multiple dedicated sensors
- Lower accuracy
- Small size not limiting factor
- Resistant to weather,
- Resistant to noise
- Resistant to asynchrony
- Early adverse event detection
- Failure reversible
- Fixed structure

BSN

- Cover the human body
- Fewer sensor nodes
- Single multitasking sensors
- Robust & Accurate
- Miniaturization
- Pervasive
- Predictable environment
- Motion artefacts an issue
- Early adverse event detection
- Failure irreversible
- Variable structure



Wireless and Body Sensor Networks

WSN

- Low level security
- Accessible power supply
- High power demand
- Solar, wind power
- Replaceable/disposable
- No biocompatibility needed
- Low context awareness
- Wireless solutions available
- Data loss less of an issue

BSN

- High security
- Inaccessible power source
- Lower power availability
- Thermal, piezoelectric energy
- Biodegradable
- Biocompatible
- High context awareness
- Lower power wireless
- Sensitive to data loss



Focus of This Talk

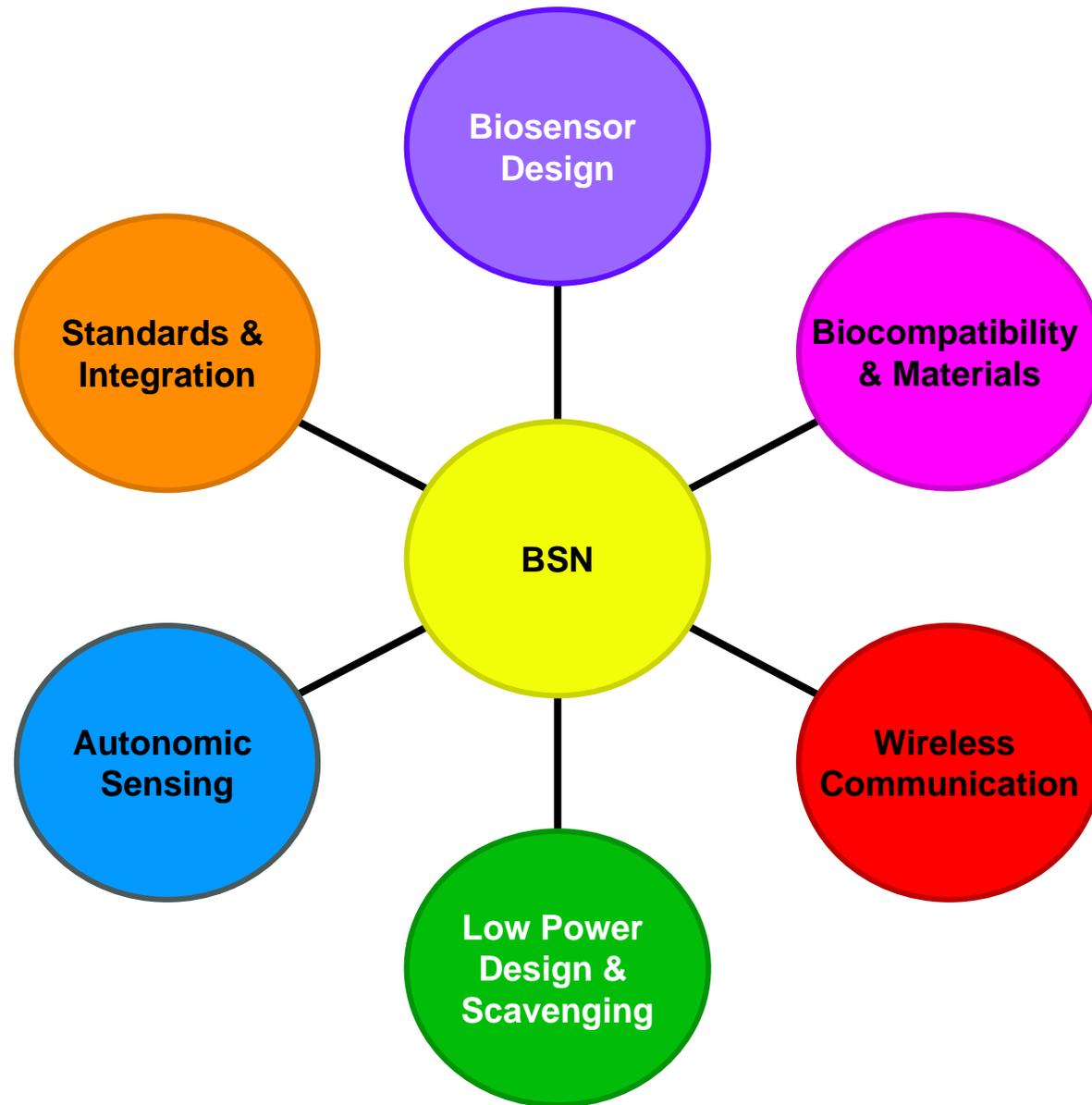
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- Healthcare and Wellbeing Monitoring
- Sports and Entertainment
- Conclusions

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What does BSN Cover?



Biocompatibility and Materials

- **Biosensors**



Implant blood pressure flow sensor (CardioMEMS)

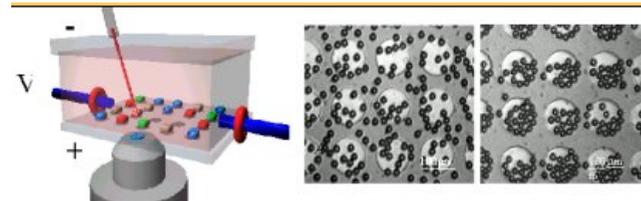
- **Stents**



Drug releasing stents -
Taxus stents - Boston Scientific Co.

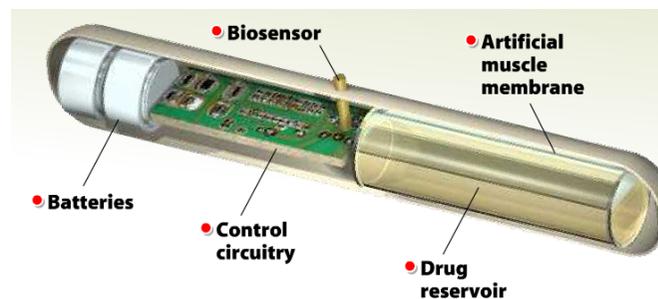
- **Tissue Engineering**

- Pattern and manipulate cells in micro-array format



Ozkan et. al (2003), Langmuir

- **Drug delivery systems**



Smart Pill – Sun-Sentinel Co.



Carol Ezzell Webb, "Chip Shots", IEEE Spectrum Oct 2004

Biosensor Design

- Thermistor



Thermistor
(ACR system)



Implant ECG recorder
(Medtronics –Reveal)

- ECG



Oxymeter
(Advanced Micronics)

- SpO₂

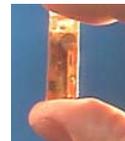


Implant blood pressure
flow sensor (CardioMEMS)



Glucose sensor
(GlucoWatch)

- Glucose concentration



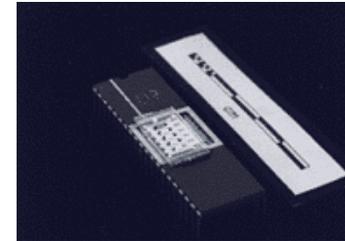
Implant pH sensor
(Metronics – Bravo)



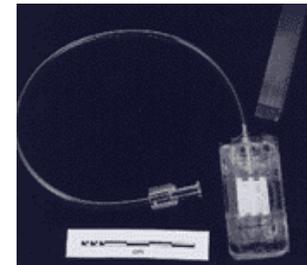
Pill-sized camera
(Given Imaging)

MEMS - Microelectromechanical System

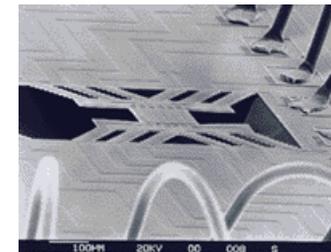
- Integrated micro devices or systems combining electrical and mechanical components
- Fabricated using integrated circuit (IC) batch processing techniques
- Size range from micrometers to millimetres
- Applications includes: accelerometers, pressure, chemical and flow sensors, micro-optics, optical scanners, and fluid pumps



Tactile Sensor for Endoscopic Surgery
(SFU)



Pressure sensor for clinical use
(SFU)



CMOS Micromachined Flow Sensor
(SFU)

Power Scavenging



- **Photovoltaics (Solar cells)**

- 15-20% efficiency (single crystal silicon solar cell)
- 15mW/cm² (midday outdoor) to 10μW/cm² (indoors)



Panasonic BP-243318

- **Temperature Gradients**

- 1.6% efficiency (at 5°C above room temperature)
- 40 μW/cm² (5°C differential, 0.5cm², and 1V output)



Applied Digital Solutions –
thermoelectric generator

- **Human Power**

- Human body burns 10.5MJ/day (average power dissipation of 121W)
- 330 μW/cm² (piezoelectric shoe)



MIT Media Lab

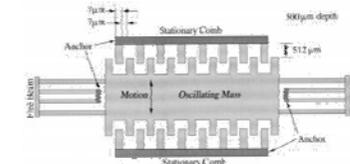
- **Wind/Air Flow**

- 20-40% efficiency (windmills, with wind velocity 18mph)



- **Vibrations**

- Electromagnetic, electrostatic, and piezoelectric devices
- 200 μW (1cm³ power converter with vibration of 2.25 m/s² at 120Hz)



MIT – MEMS piezoelectric generator

- **Nuclear microbatteries**

- With 10 milligrams of polonium-210, it can produce 50mW for more than 4 months
- It can safely be contained by simple plastic package, as Nickel-63 or tritium can penetrate no more than 25 mm

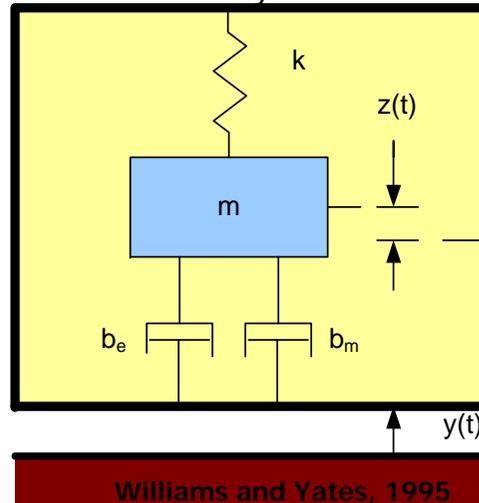


Cornell University - Nuclear micro-
generator (with a processor and a photo sensor)

Power Scavenging

- Kinetic energy of vibrating mass to electrical power

Vibration-to-electricity conversion model



$$m\ddot{z} + (b_e + b_m)\dot{z} + kz = -m\ddot{y}$$

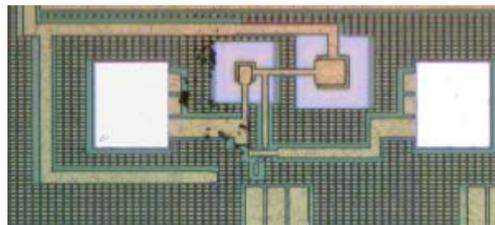
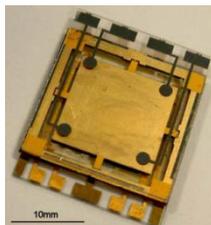
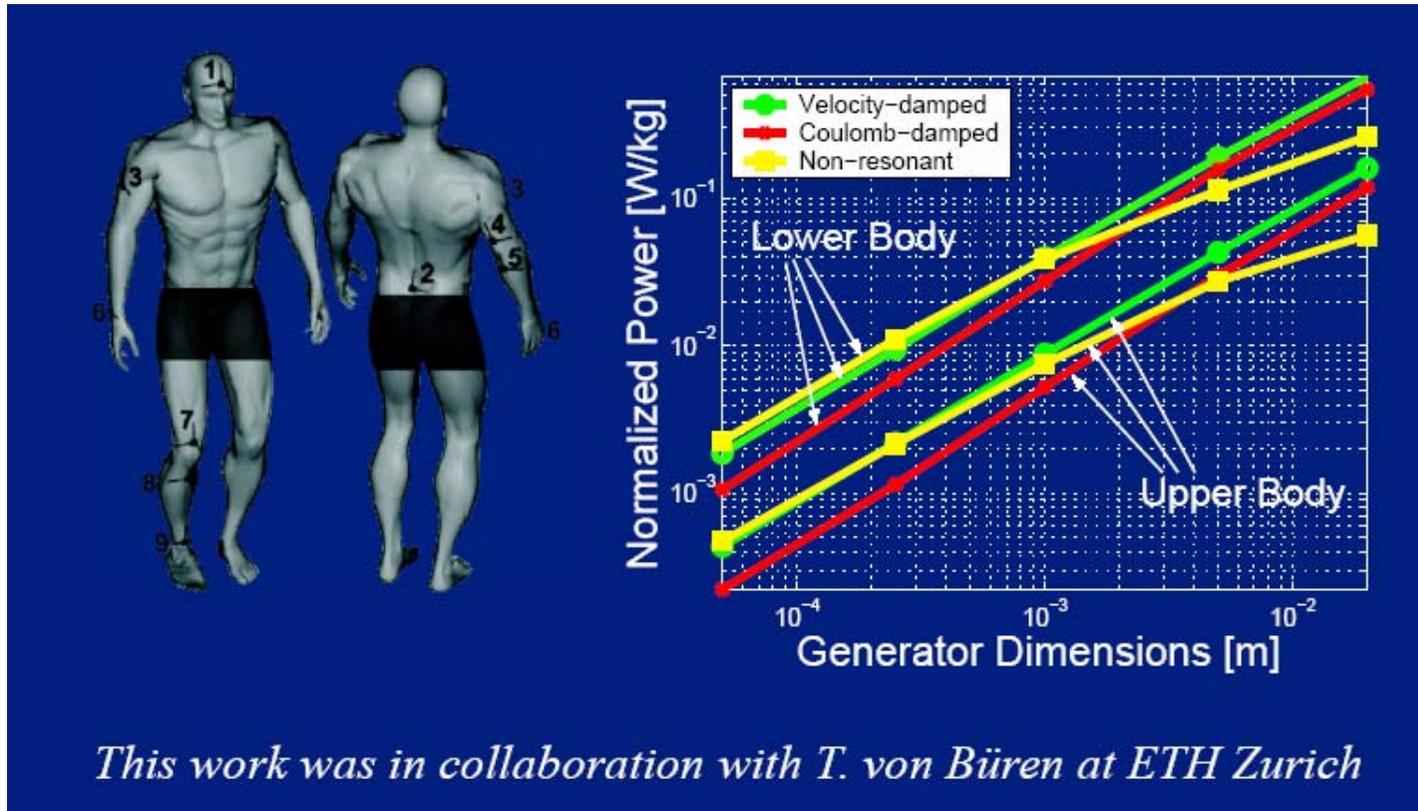
where z is the spring deflection, y is the input displacement, m is the mass, b_e is the electrically induced damping coefficient, b_m is the mechanical damping coefficient, and k is the spring constant

- Power converted to the electrical system is equal to the power removed from the mechanical system by b_e , the electronically induced damping.

$$P = \frac{1}{2} b_e \dot{z}^2 \quad |P| = \frac{m \zeta_e \omega^3 Y^2}{4 \zeta_T^2}$$

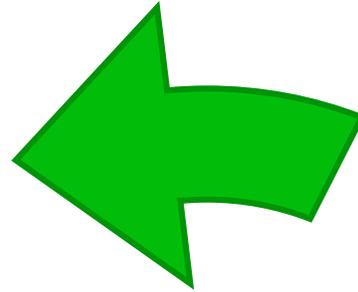
where Y is the Laplace transform of input displacement acceleration magnitude of input vibration, ω is the frequency of the driving vibrations, ζ_e is the electrical damping ratio, ζ_m is the mechanical damping ratio, and $\zeta_T = \zeta_e + \zeta_m$

Human Power Generation

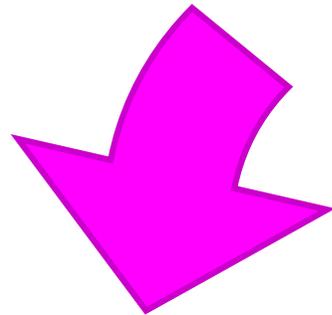
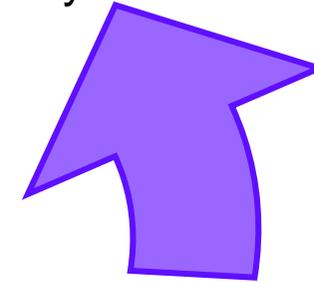




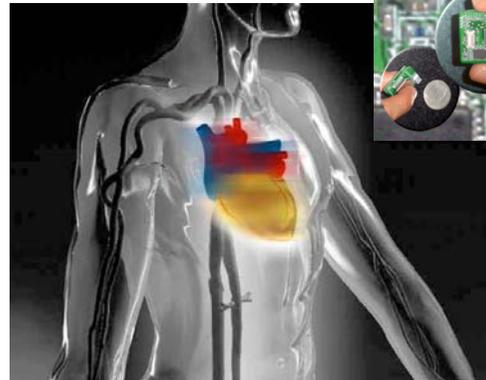
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Sensors and
Context



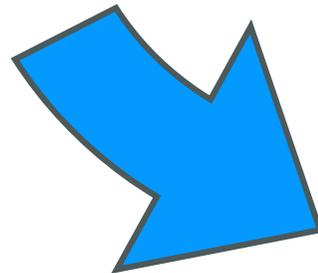
Trust,
Security
and Policy



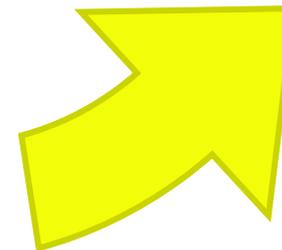
Multi-sensor
Analysis
and Fusion



Self-configuration,
healing,
managing of
software components

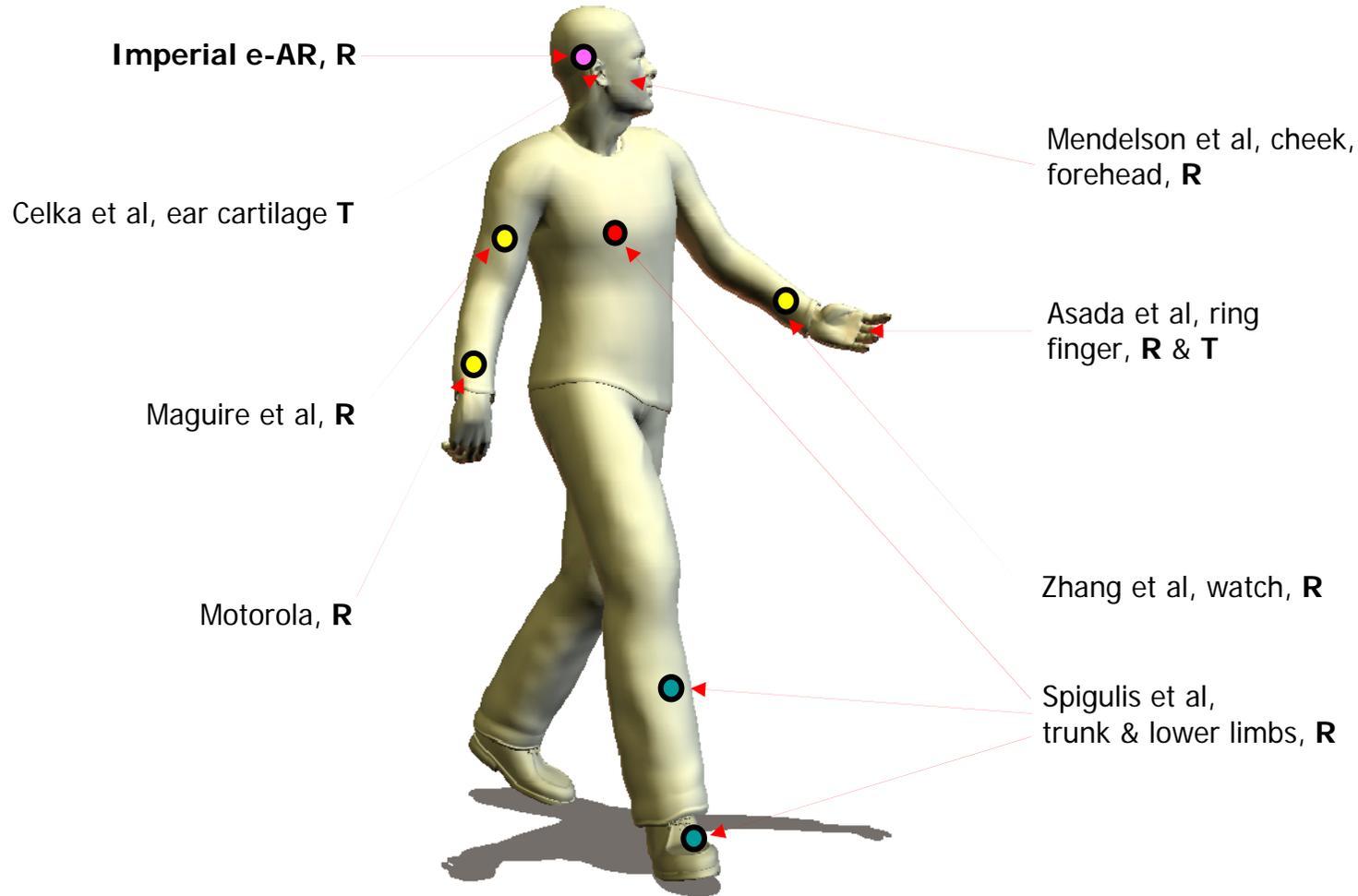


Network
Storage
and Decision
Support Agents



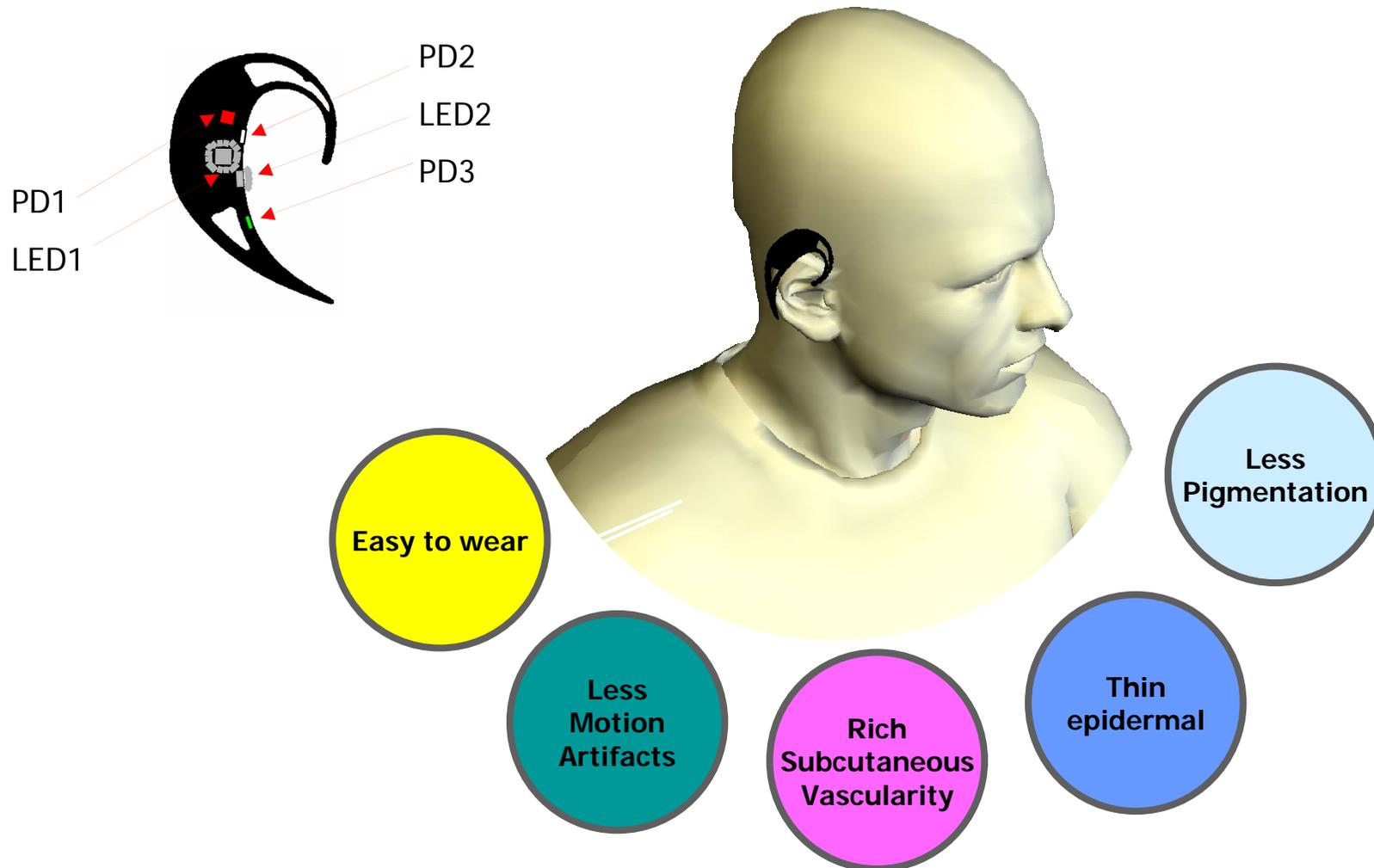


Wearable pulse oximetry





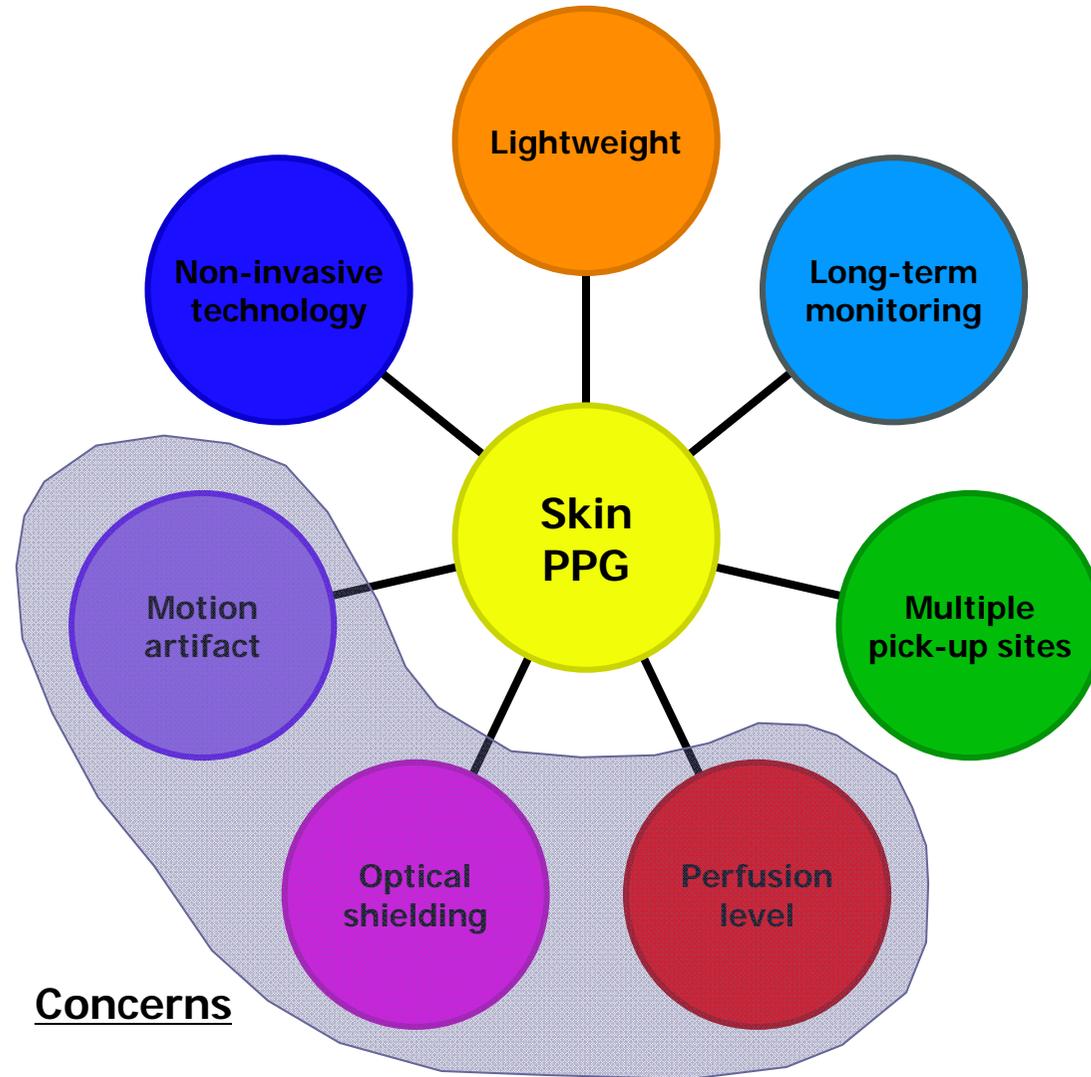
Sensor Deployment





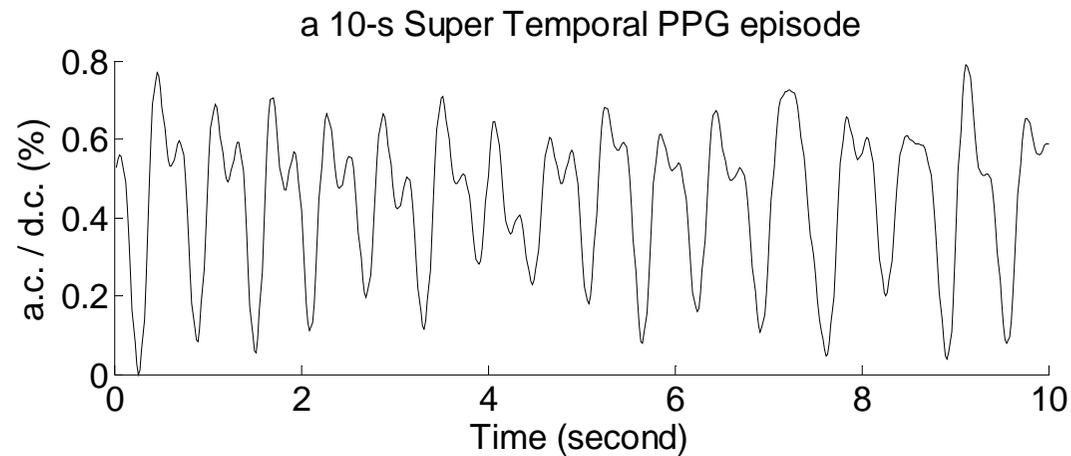
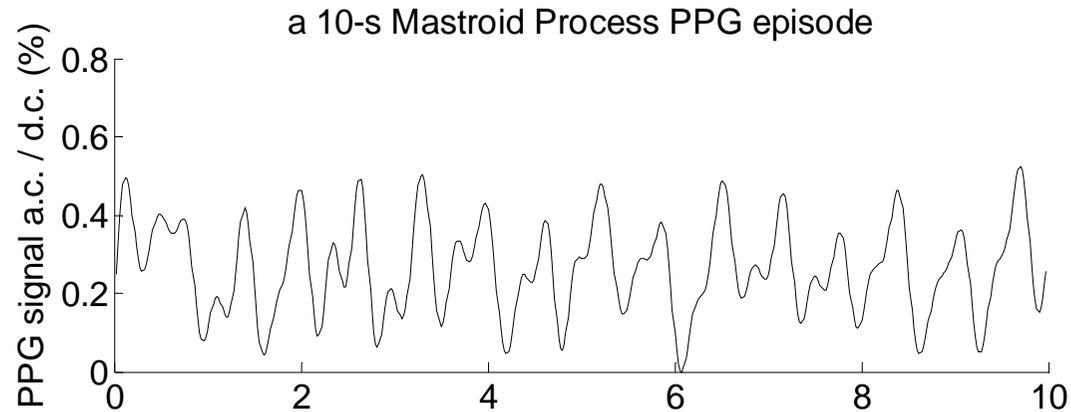
Skin PPG

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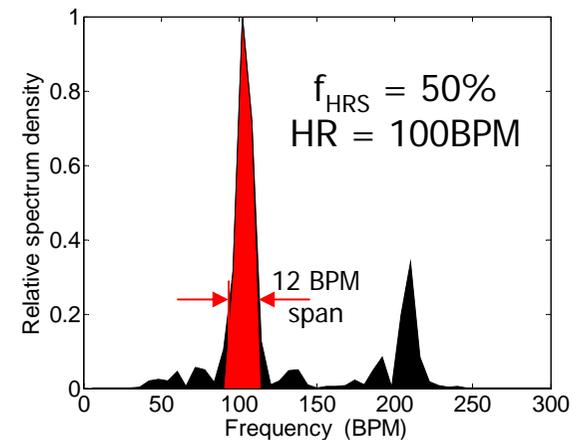


Earpiece PPG



Fidelity Index

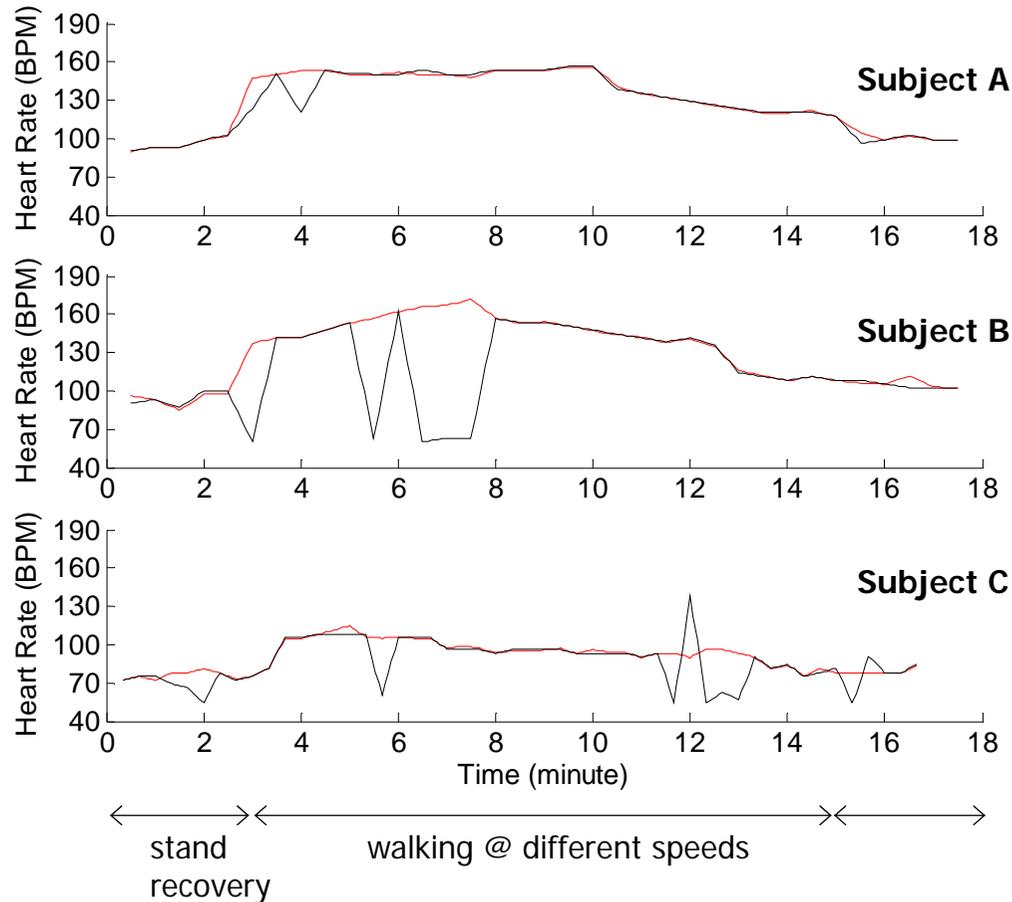
$$f_{\text{HRS}} = P_{\text{span}} / P_{\text{all}}$$



- Verified by multiple subjects at various resting states including **sitting**, **standing** and **reading**.
- a.c. / d.c. ratio **0.001 - 0.01** and **10%** relative signal strength.



Dynamic Heart Rate



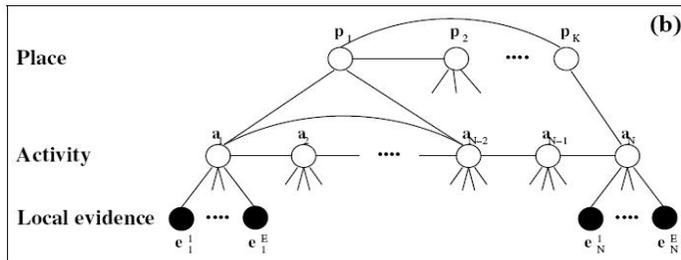
- Overall **80%** successful rate for exercise heart rate detections.
- For some subjects, heart rates were **detectable** even during maximum exercise load.
- The dynamic heart rates helped identifying different **exercise stages** and retrieving the **recovery period**.



The Need for Autonomic and Cognitive Sensing

- The essence of **autonomic computing** is to develop self-management systems and free human from complicated administration tasks.
- The eight characteristics of an autonomic system include:
 - Self-management
 - Self-configuration
 - Self-integration
 - Self-protection
 - Self-optimisation
 - Self-healing
 - Self-adaptation
 - Self-scaling

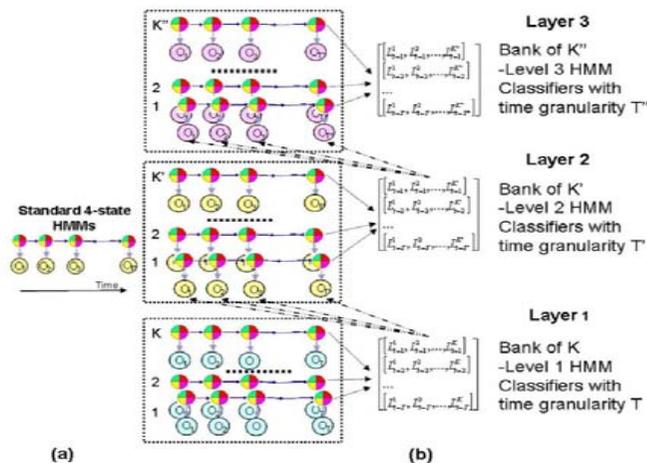
Example probabilistic models for activity recognition



Hierarchical activity models with GPS and Relational Markov Networks

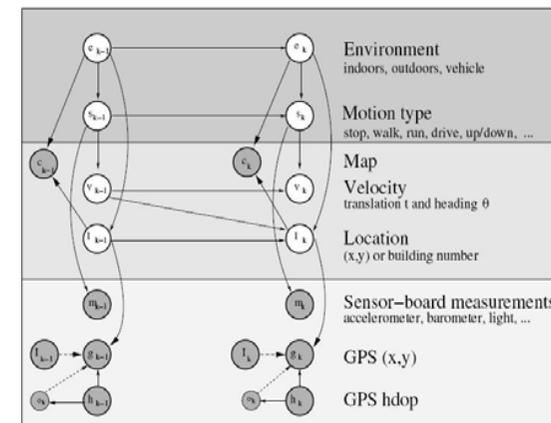
[Location based Activity Recognition. L.Liao, D. Fox and H. Kautz NIPS '05]

Layered HMMs with microphone, camera, mouse and keyboard for office activities



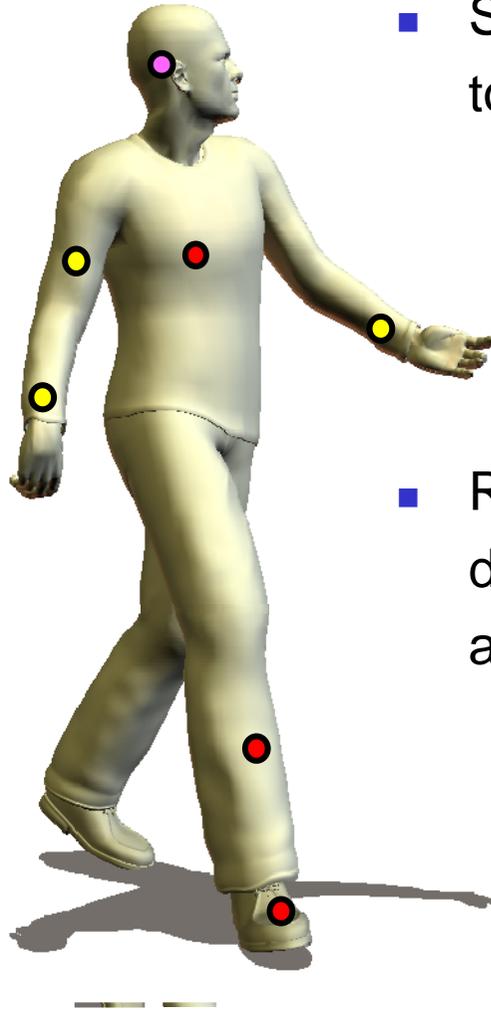
Layered Representation for Human Activity Recognition. N. Oliver, E. Horvitz, A. Garg (CVIU 2002)
A Comparison of Dynamic HMM and Dynamic Bayesian Nets for Recognising Office Activities.
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Dynamic Bayesian Model with data from wearable sensors and GPS.



Recognizing Activities and Spatial Context using Wearable Sensors.
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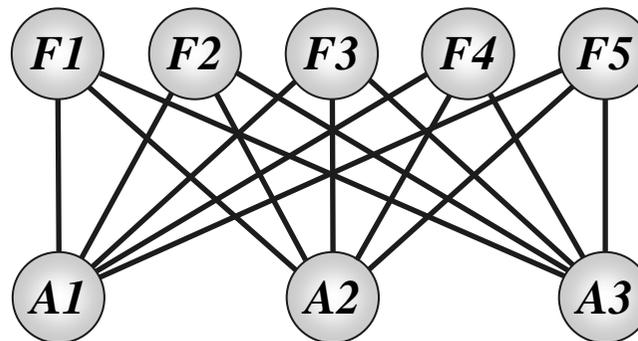
Basic Concepts



- Some sensors are more informative with regard to certain activities than others.
 - lower limbs → sitting, standing, walking
 - upper limbs → typing, hand shaking
- Reasoning about different activities requires different sets of sensors at different locations and time.
 - Change in information availability as user moves through static ambient sensors.

Feature Selection

- Feature selection is used for learning the structure of the proposed distributed model.
 - To reduce computational complexity while maintaining accuracy (*self-optimising*)
 - To identify features that are relevant to each class.

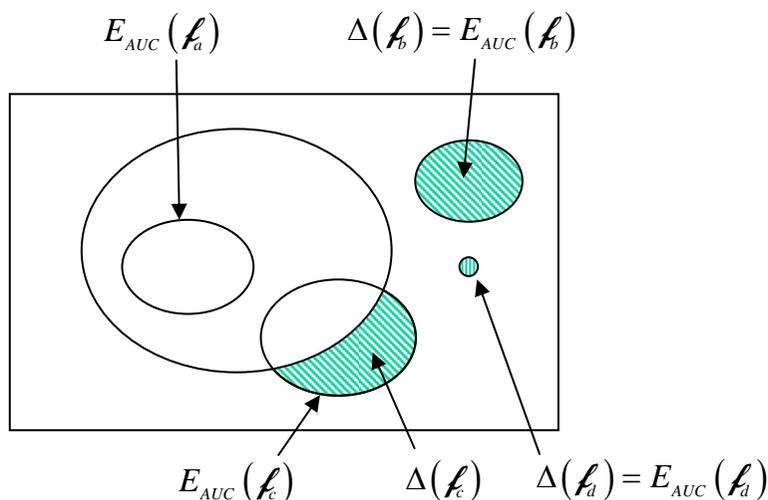


Initial Dependency Graph

Feature Redundancy

- Redundancy can be used to improve the reliability and fault tolerance of the model (**self-healing property**)
- With new objective function, **irrelevant** features is removed before **redundant** features.

$$D_r(\mathbf{f}_i) = (1 - \omega_1) \times \left(E_{AUC}(\mathcal{G}^{(k)}) - E_{AUC}(\mathcal{G}^{(k)} - \{\mathbf{f}_i\}) \right) + \omega_1 \times E_{AUC}(\mathbf{f}_i)$$

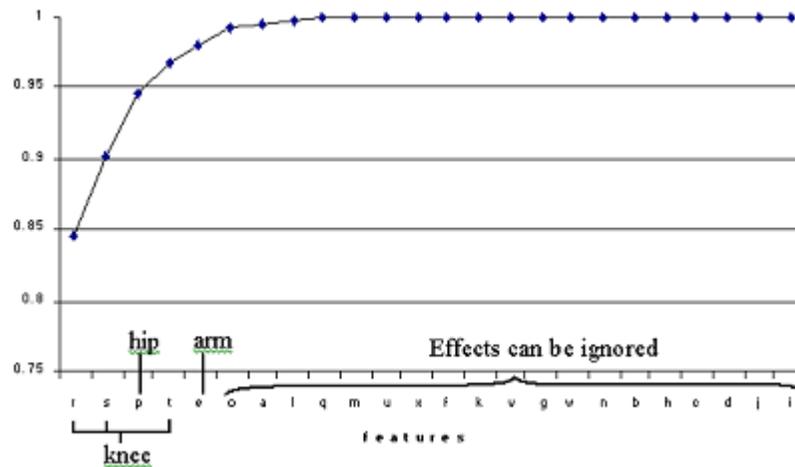


a measure of redundancy

Feature selection for BSN

- Experiments were performed on subsets of activities as follows:
 - Sitting, standing, and walking
 - Going up and downstairs
 - Handshaking, writing on white board and typing

- Feature selection for sitting, standing and walking:



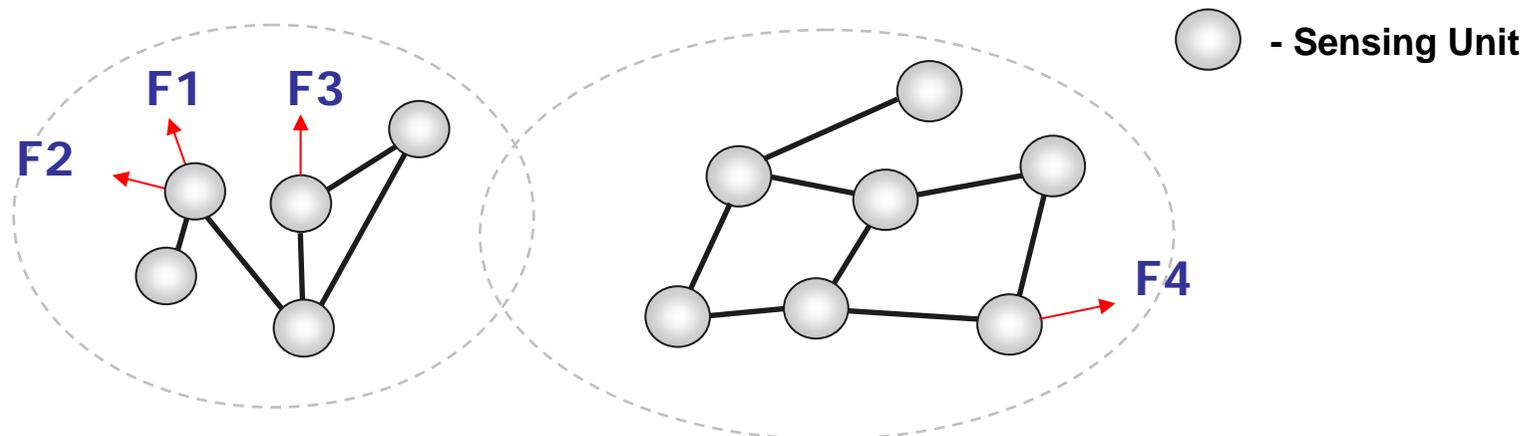
Features	Mean	SD
All features	0.719	0.051
rspte	0.773	0.02
rspt	0.824	0.011
rsp	0.792	0.025
rs	0.782	0.039
r	0.781	0.026

Average mean and standard deviation of the classification accuracy



Model Complexity

- The cost of features can be estimated based on:
 - Number of features
 - Different levels of communication incurred:
 - Same sensor node
 - Different nodes, same subnet
 - Different subnets



$$Cost(\{F1, F2\}) < Cost(\{F1, F3\}) < Cost(\{F1, F4\})$$

An Illustration of Model Construction



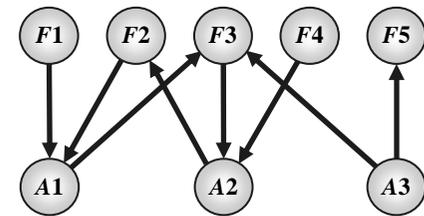
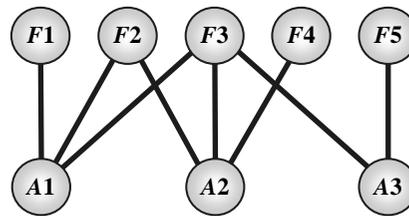
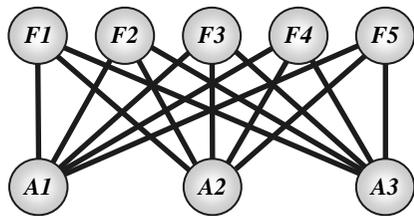
BFFS

**Casual
Assignment**

Initialisation

Dependency Graph

Directed Graph



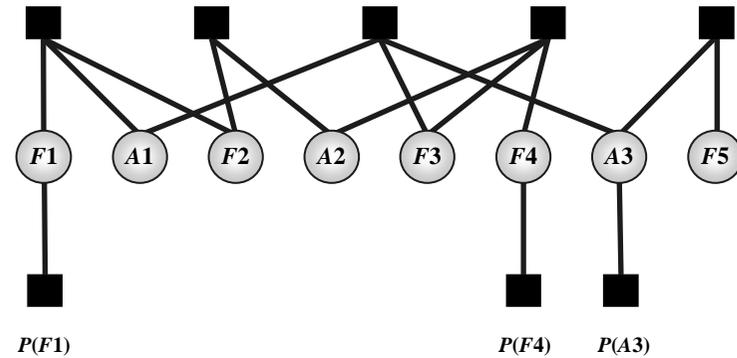
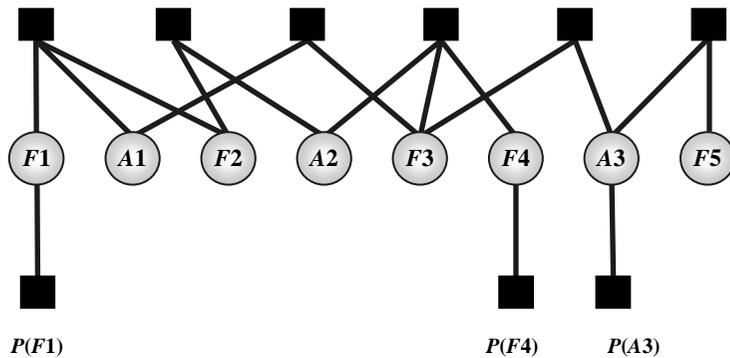
**Independence
Assumptions**

**BN to FG
Transformation**



$P(A1/F1,F2)$ $P(F2/A2)$ $P(F3/A1)$ $P(A2/F3,F4)$ $P(F3/A3)$ $P(F5/A3)$

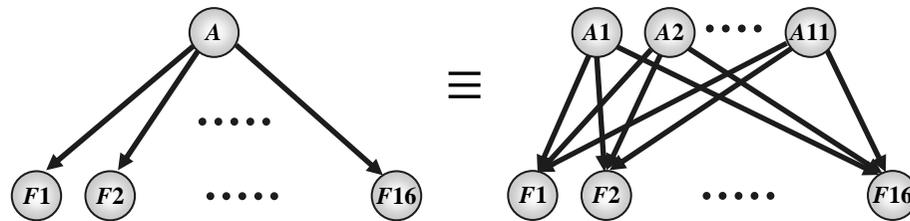
$P(A1/F1,F2)$ $P(F2/A2)$ $P(F3/A1,A3)$ $P(A2/F3,F4)$ $P(F5/A3)$



Simplified FG representation

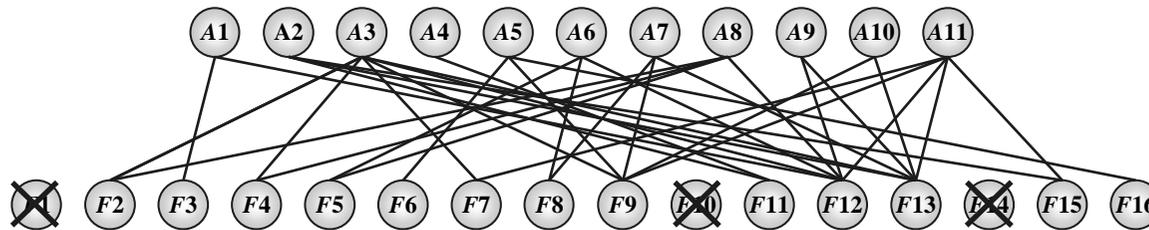
FG representation

Experiments: Results (con't)



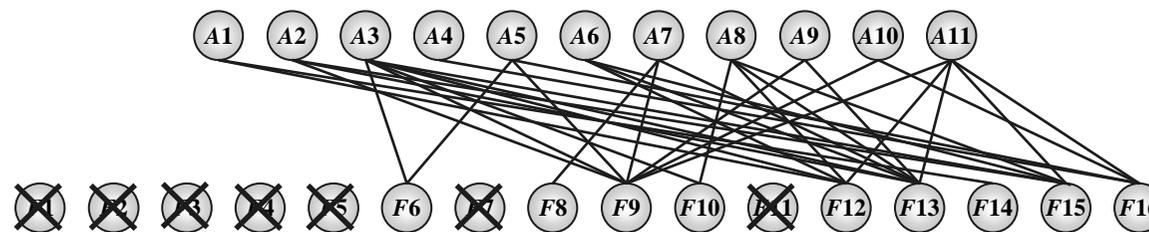
Model 2

Accuracy: 77.3%
#s of Links: 176
#s of Features: 16



Model 3

Accuracy: 66.28%
#s of Links: 34
#s of Features: 13



Model 4

Accuracy: 72.60%
#s of Links: 34
#s of Features: 9

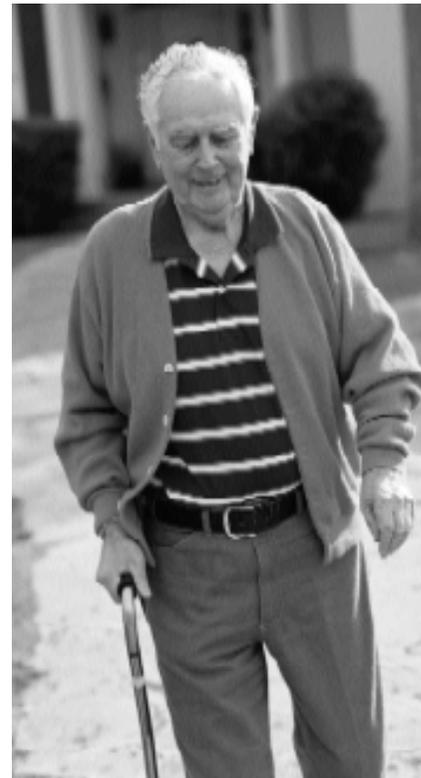
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- Technical Challenges and Opportunities of BSN
- **Healthcare and Wellbeing Monitoring**
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Drivers of Healthcare Applications

- Aging population
- Chronic disease
- Acute care
- Early diagnosis



Driver 1: The Aging Population

- The *proportion of elderly people is likely to double* from 10% to 20% over the next 50 years.
- In the western world, the *ratio of workers to retirees is declining*.
- The number of *people living alone is rising*.
- **A change of care provision is needed for these patients.**



Driver 2: Chronic Disease

- Ischemic heart disease
- Hypertension
- Diabetes
- Neuro-degenerative disease (Parkinsons, Alzheimers)
- Global deterioration (Dementias)

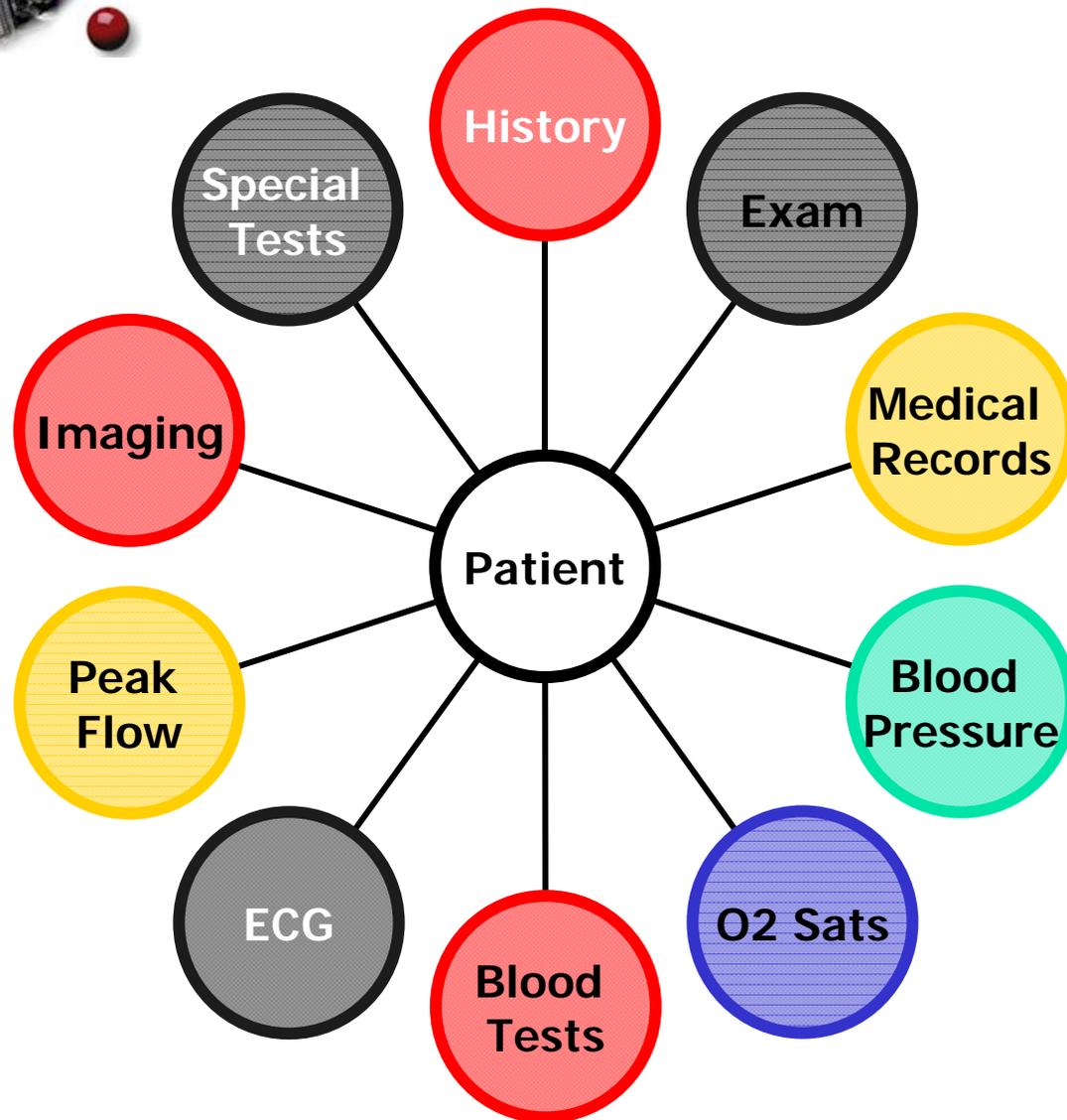


Driver 3: Acute Disease

- Acute presentations
- Interventions
- Post elective care
- Post-operative monitoring



Driver 4: Diagnostics



Only a SNAPSHOT of a patient's health

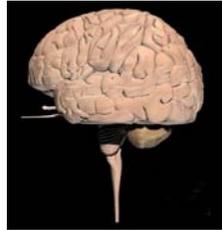
BSN for Healthcare



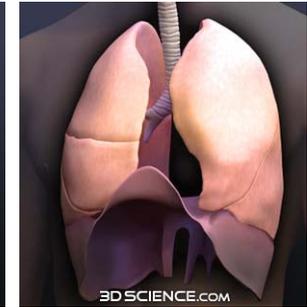
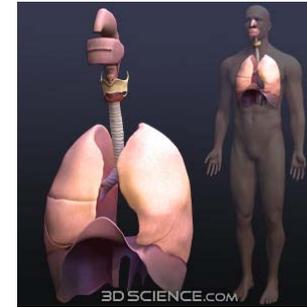
- Dynamic
- Continuous use 24/7
- Preventative
- Earlier diagnosis
- Home-based
- Post-operative monitoring
- Unobtrusive
- Minimal interventions
- Improving Quality-of-Life
- **Anytime**
- **Anywhere**
- **Anybody**

The ageing body

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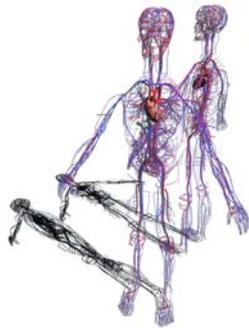
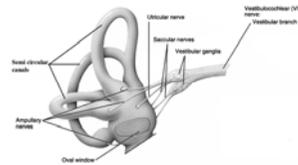
Brain and nervous system



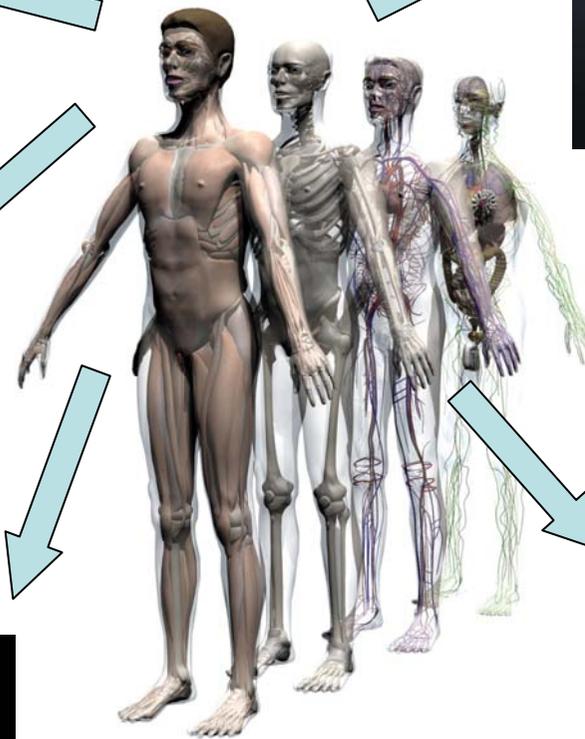
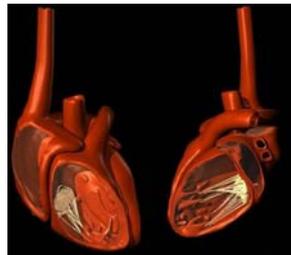
Respiratory system



Visual and sensory systems



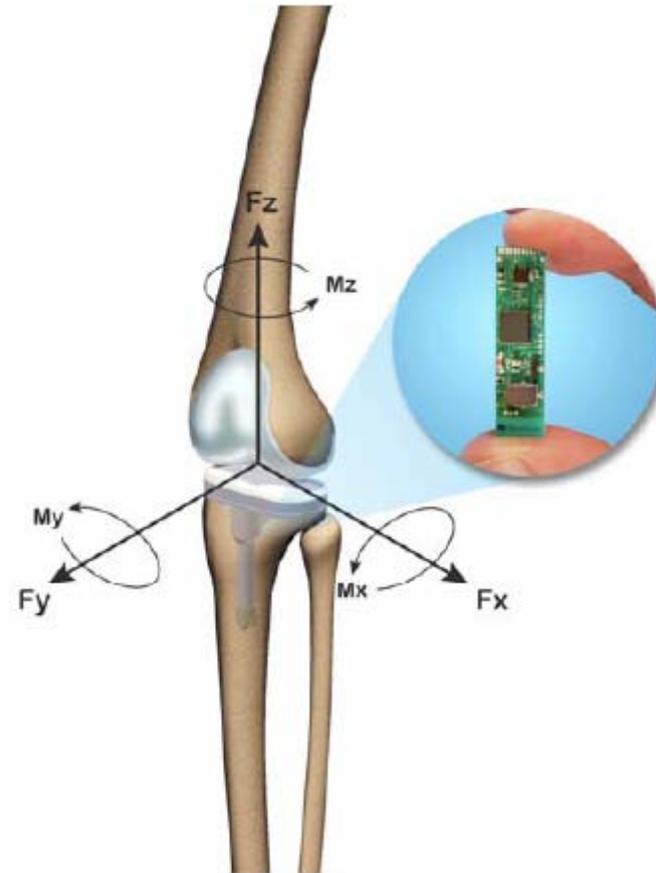
Circulatory system



Musculoskeletal system

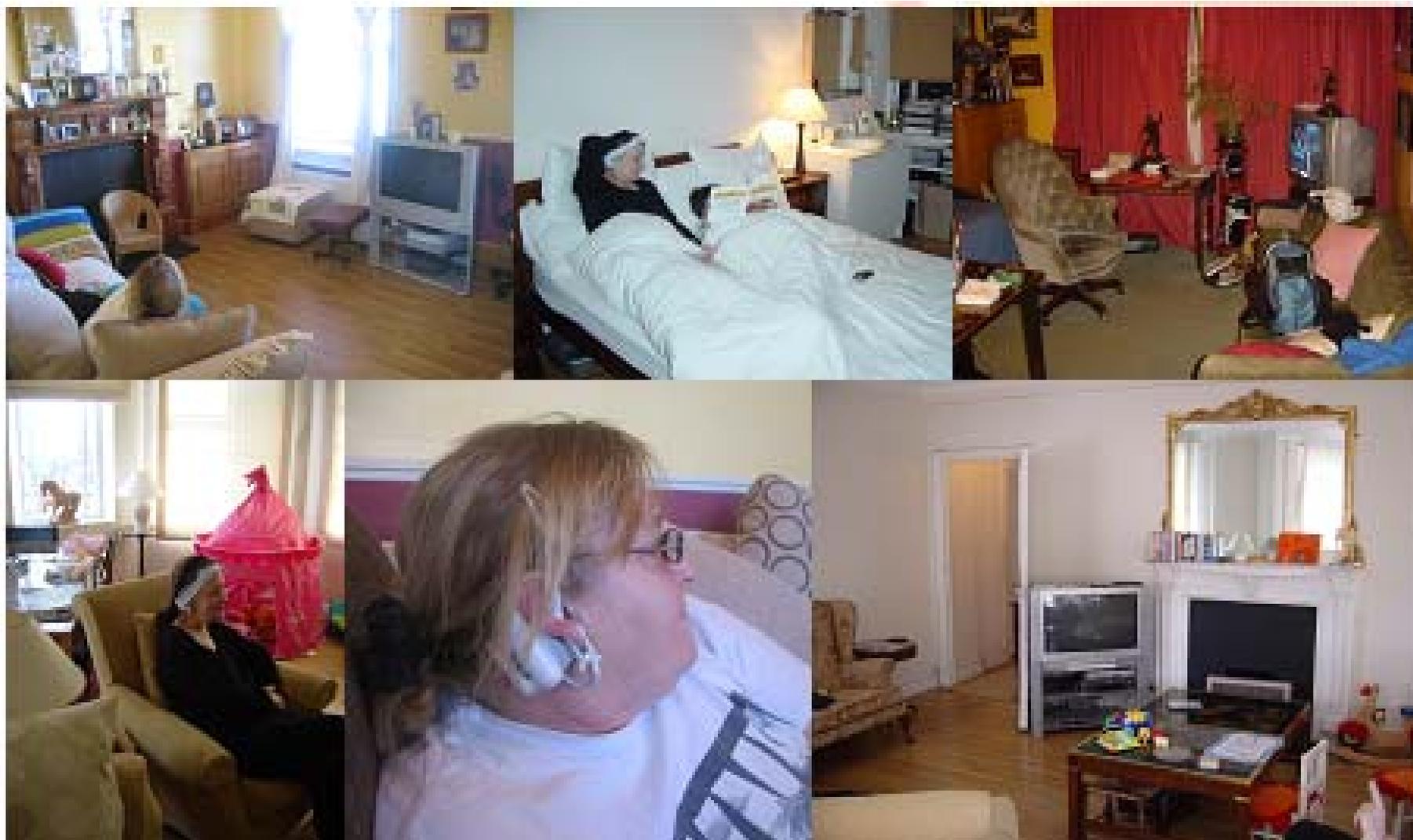
Implantable Sensors: Microstrain Inc

- Array of 12 piezoresistive strain gauges were embedded within the implant's tibial component.
- Integral miniature coil is used to harvest energy from an externally applied alternating field.
- A wireless antenna transmits digital sensor data to a computer
- 3-D Torque and force data obtained from implant



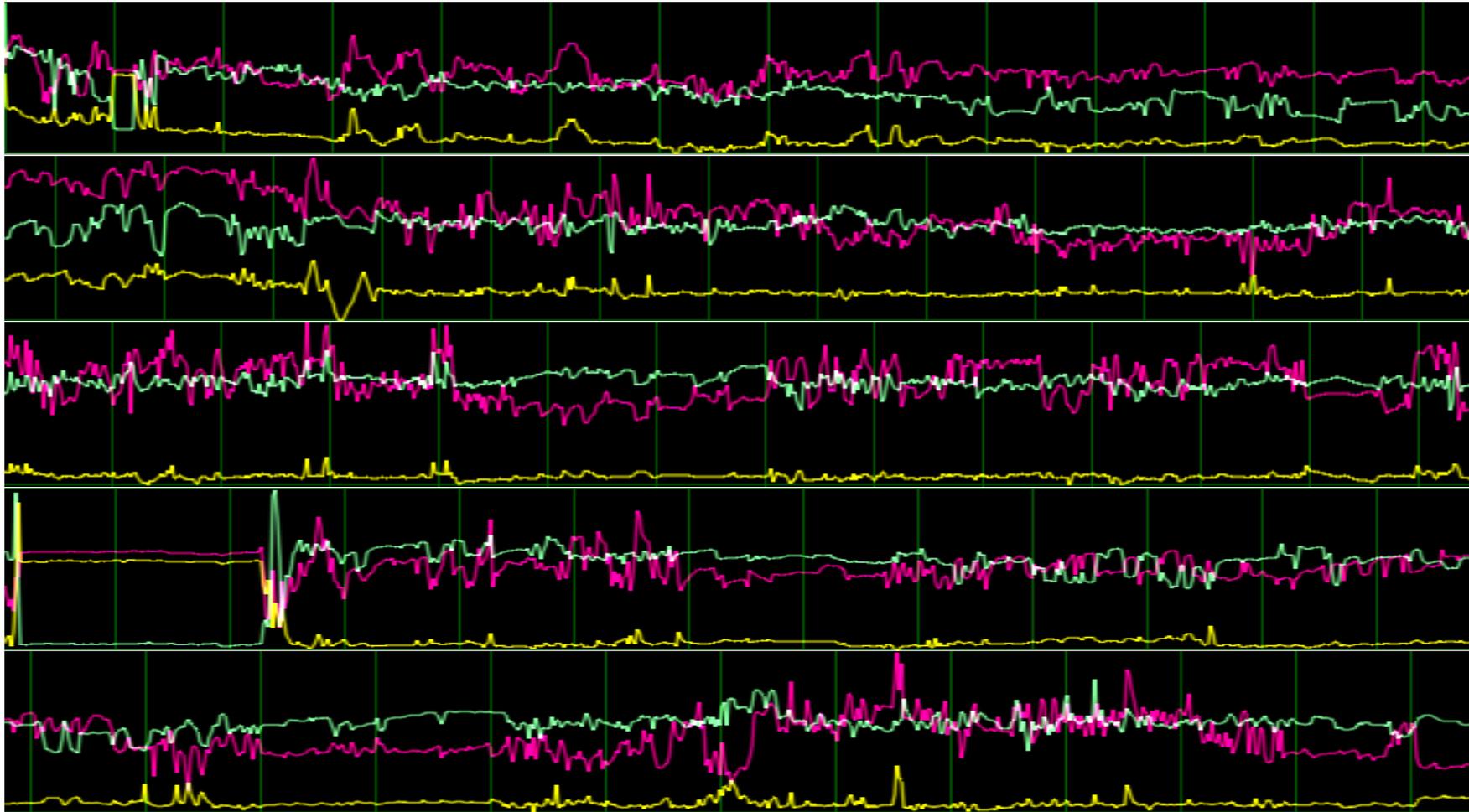


Home Monitoring



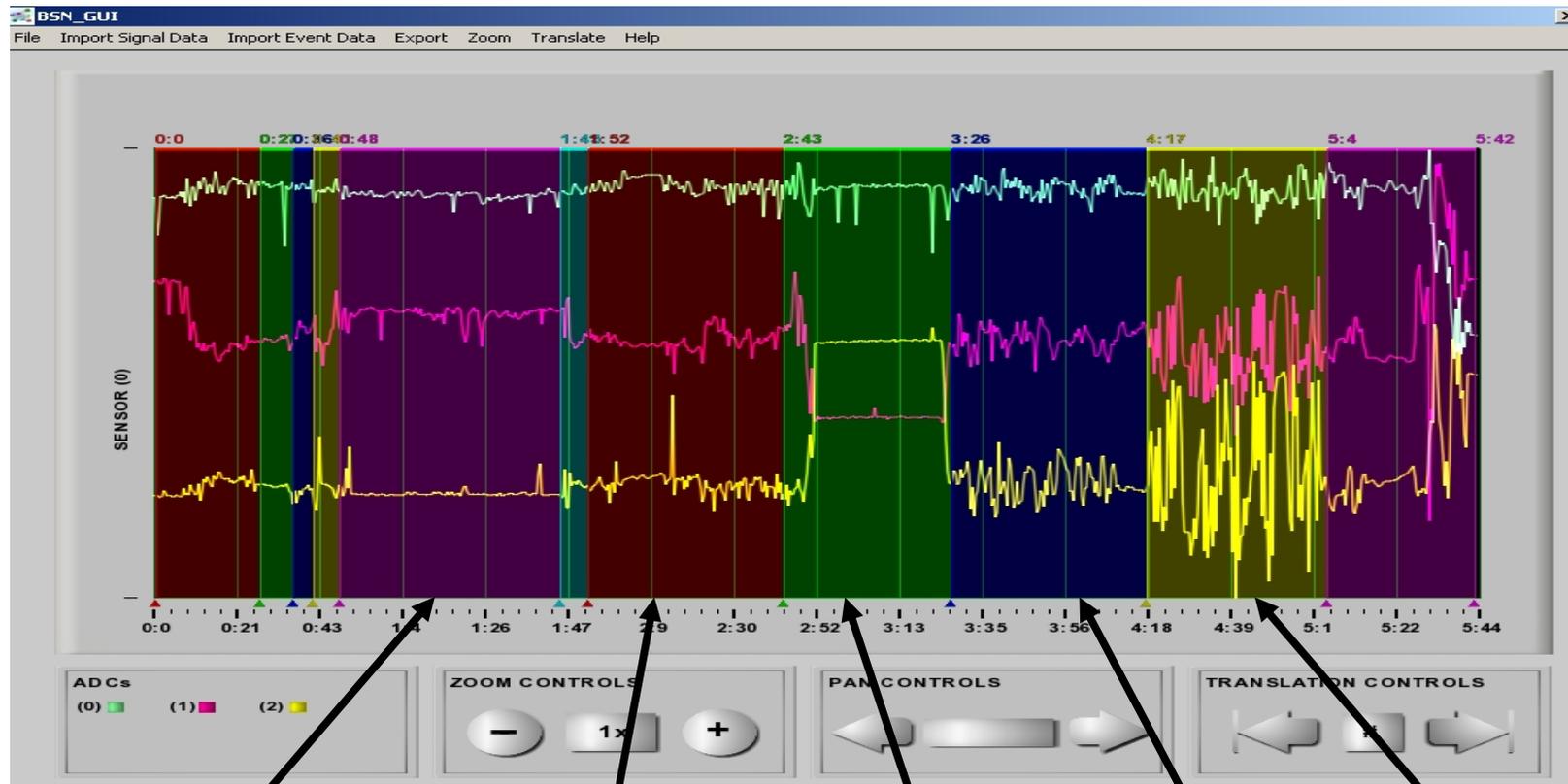


5 Hours of patient's day





Activity Labelling



Reading

Walking slowly

Lying down

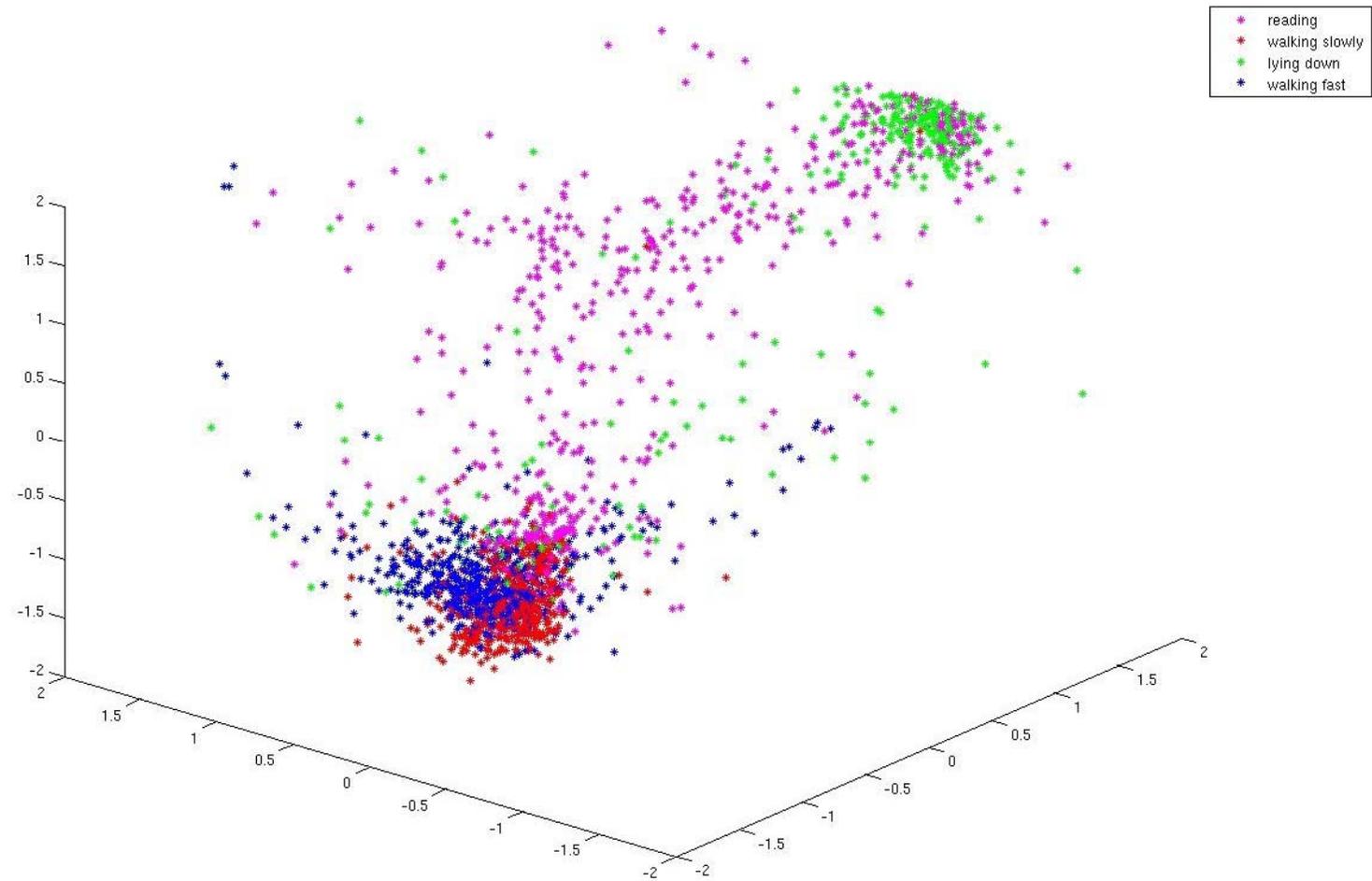
Walking fast

Running

Activity Classification



All subjects, features 6, 4 and 11



Guang-Zhong Yang, Omer Aziz, et al, BSN 2006

From Gait to Behaviour Profiling

■ Gait abnormalities



Propulsive gait



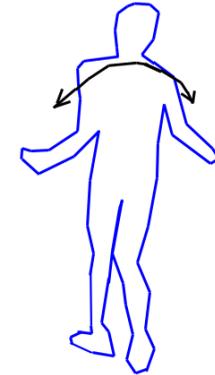
Scissors gait



Spastic gait



Steppage gait



Waddling gait

■ Typical associated diseases

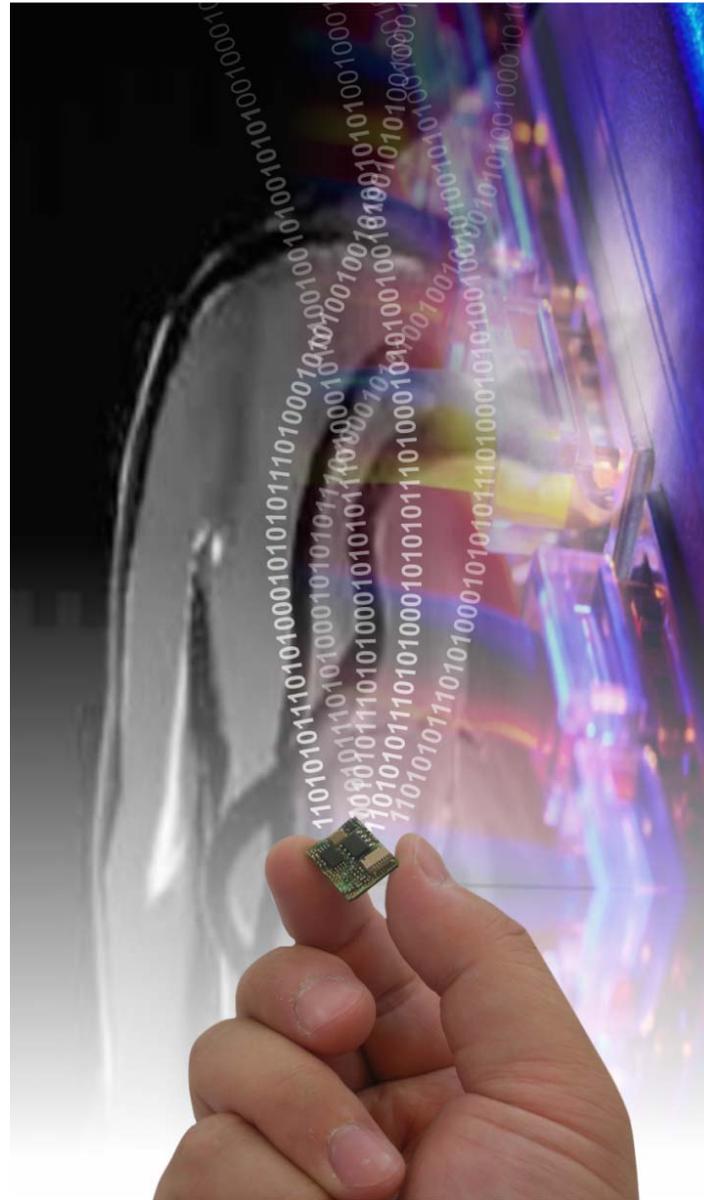
- Carbon monoxide poisoning
- Manganese poisoning
- Parkinson's disease
- Temporary effects from drugs

- Stroke
- Cervical spondylosis with myelopathy
- Liver failure
- Multiple sclerosis
- Pernicious anemia
- Spinal cord trauma
- Cerebral palsy

- Brain abscess
- Brain tumor
- Stroke
- Head trauma
- Multiple sclerosis

- Guillain-Barre syndrome
- Herniated lumbar disk
- Multiple sclerosis
- Peroneal muscle atrophy
- Peroneal nerve trauma
- Poliomyelitis
- Polyneuropathy
- Spinal cord trauma

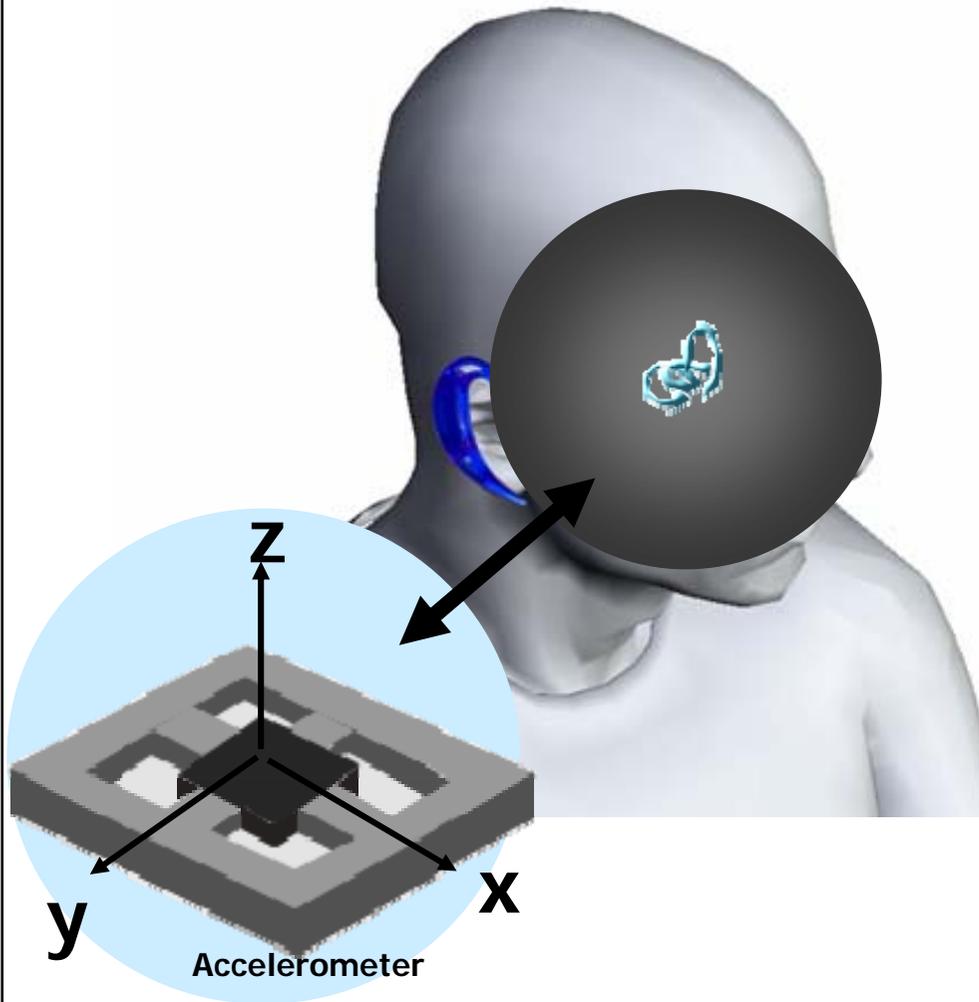
- Congenital hip dysplasia
- Muscular dystrophy
- Spinal muscle atrophy



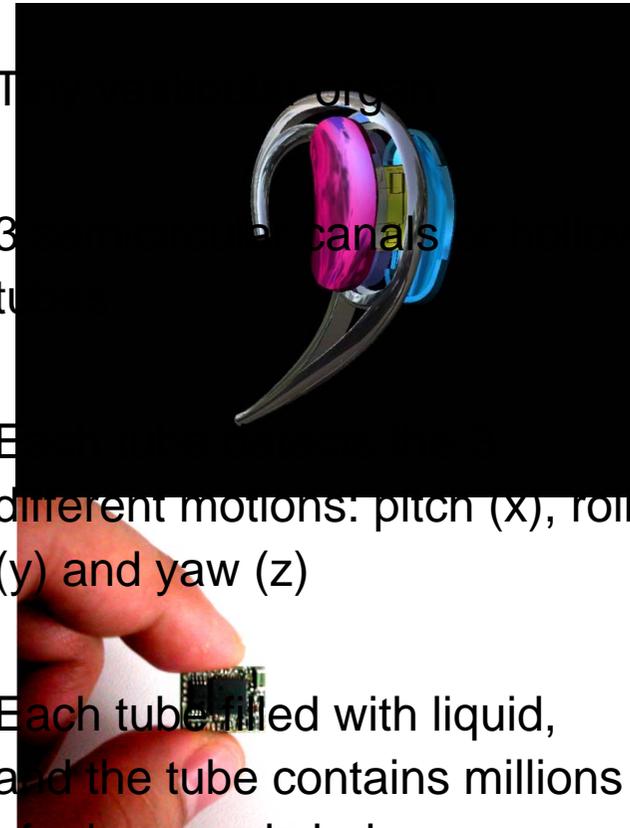
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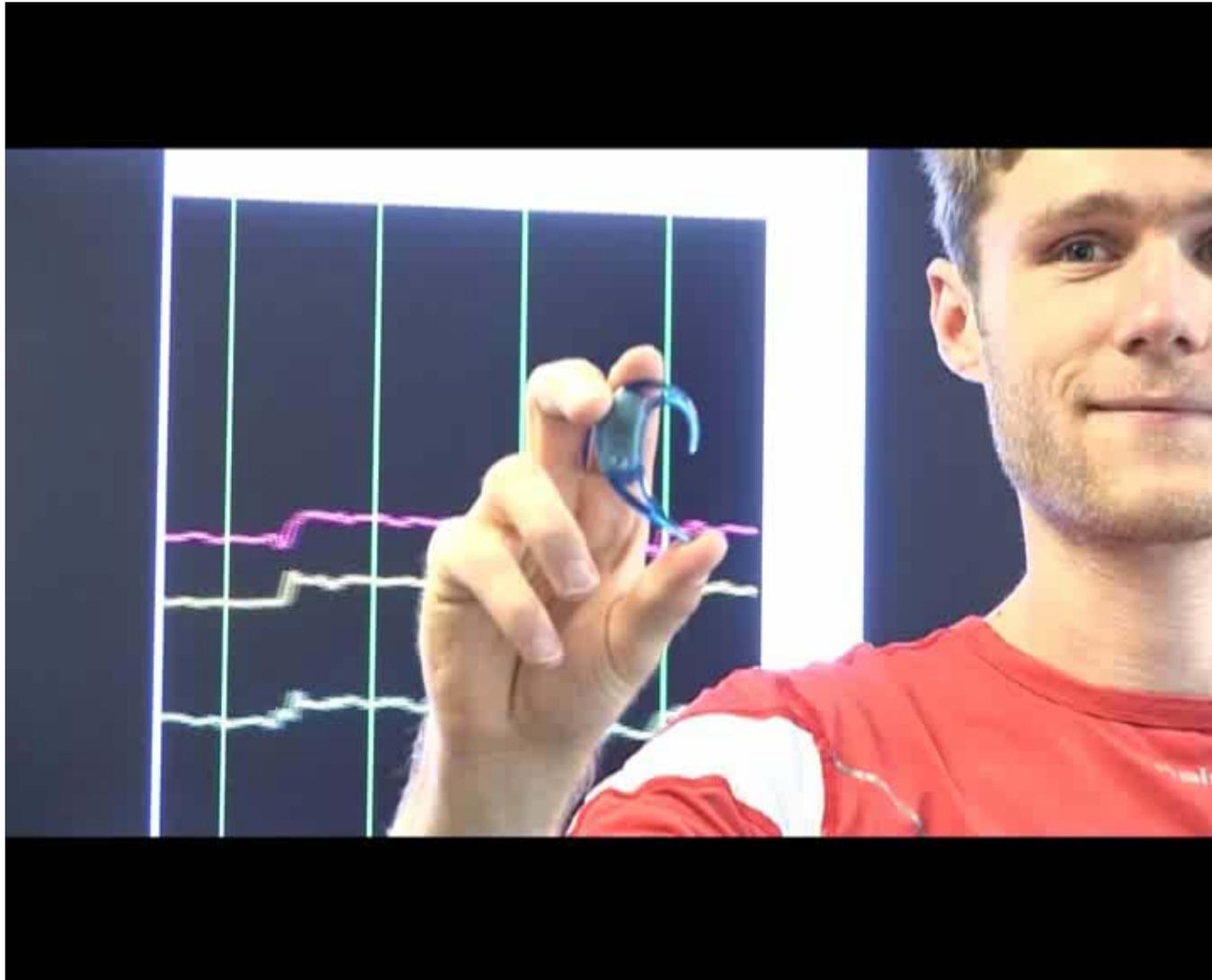
e-AR: How does it work?

Human-AR Sensor



- Three tubes
- Each tube filled with liquid, and the tube contains millions of microscopic hairs
- Different motions: pitch (x), roll (y) and yaw (z)



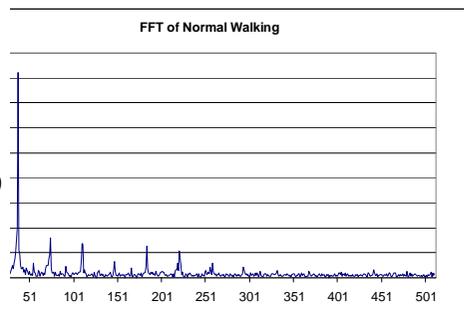


e-AR for Detecting Changes in Gait Due to Injury

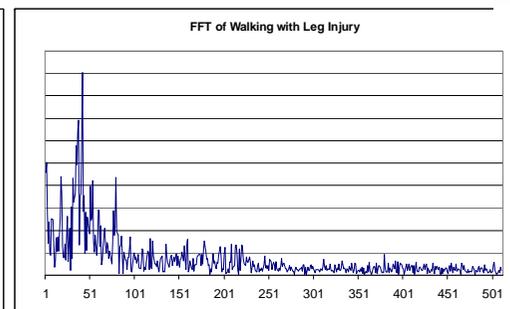
- After the initial experiment, one of the volunteer had an ankle injury
- Accelerometer readings of the subject were recorded before and after the injury, and when the subject is fully recovered
- Distinctive patterns were found when the subject was suffering from the ankle injury



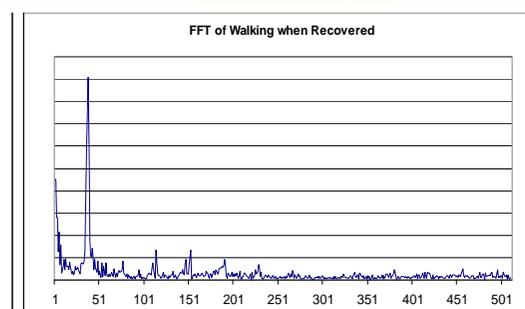
FFT of accelerometer
readings



Before Injury



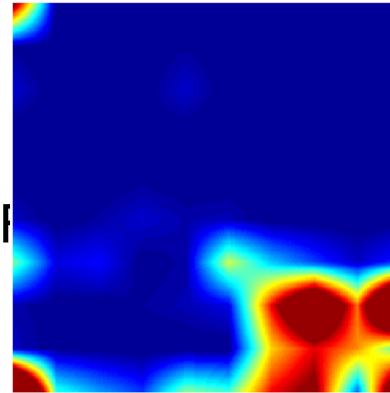
After Injury



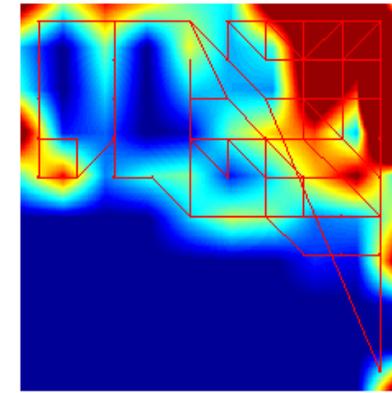
Fully Recovered

Ankle injury – Cont'd

- STSOM – different clusters are formed for the different gait patterns (using features from FI



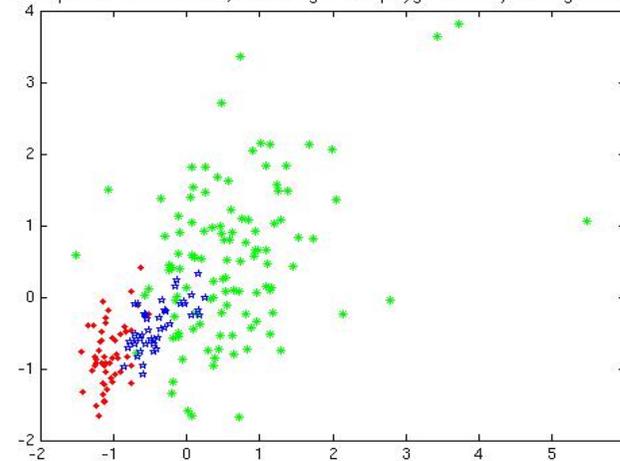
Normal gait



Injured gait

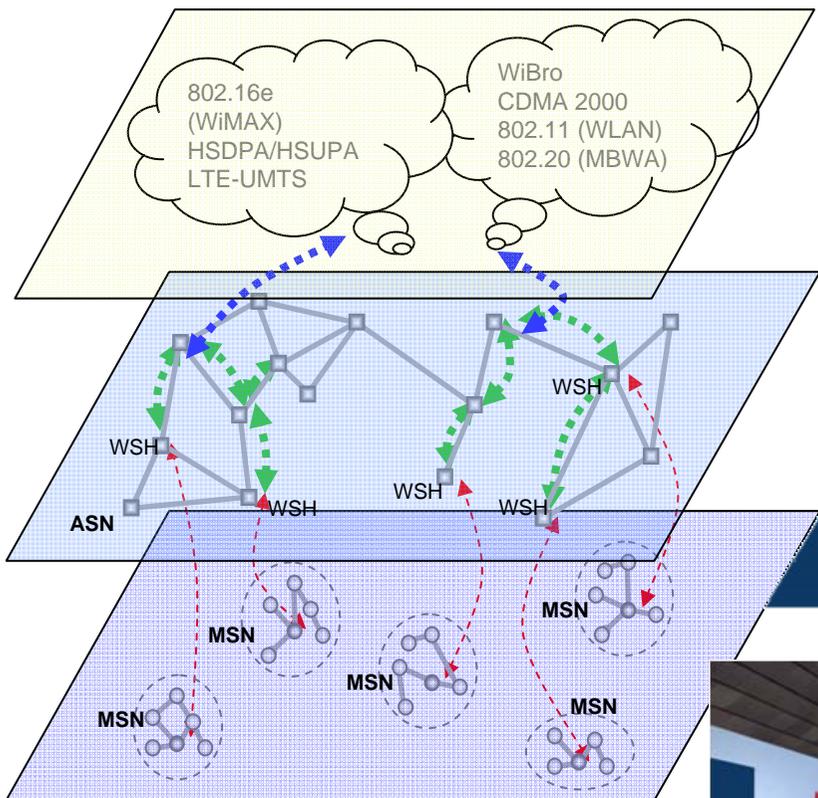
- KNN – clusters are formed for different gaits (using features from wavelet transform), and the recognition accuracy is above 90%

Omer pts. Normal in red dots, recovering in blue polygons and injured in green stars.



Mapping to Elderly Care

Patient moving between different locations - Patient Discovery



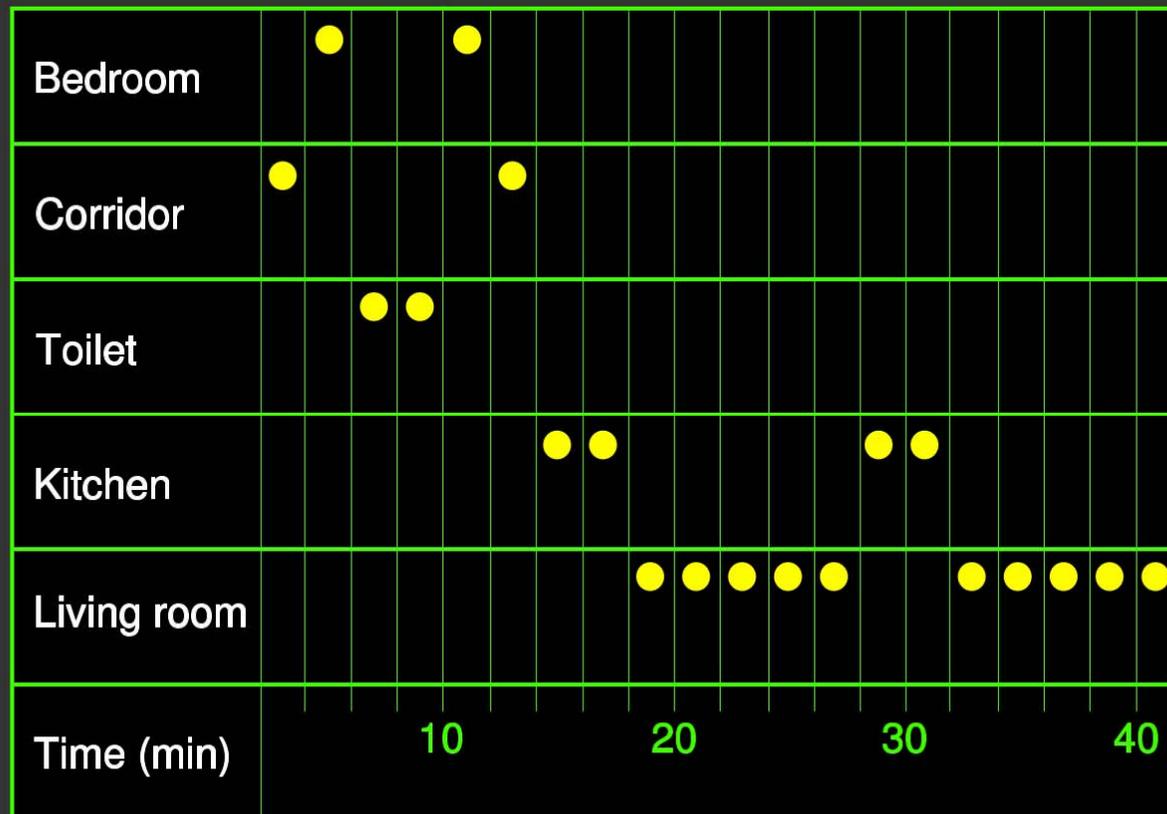
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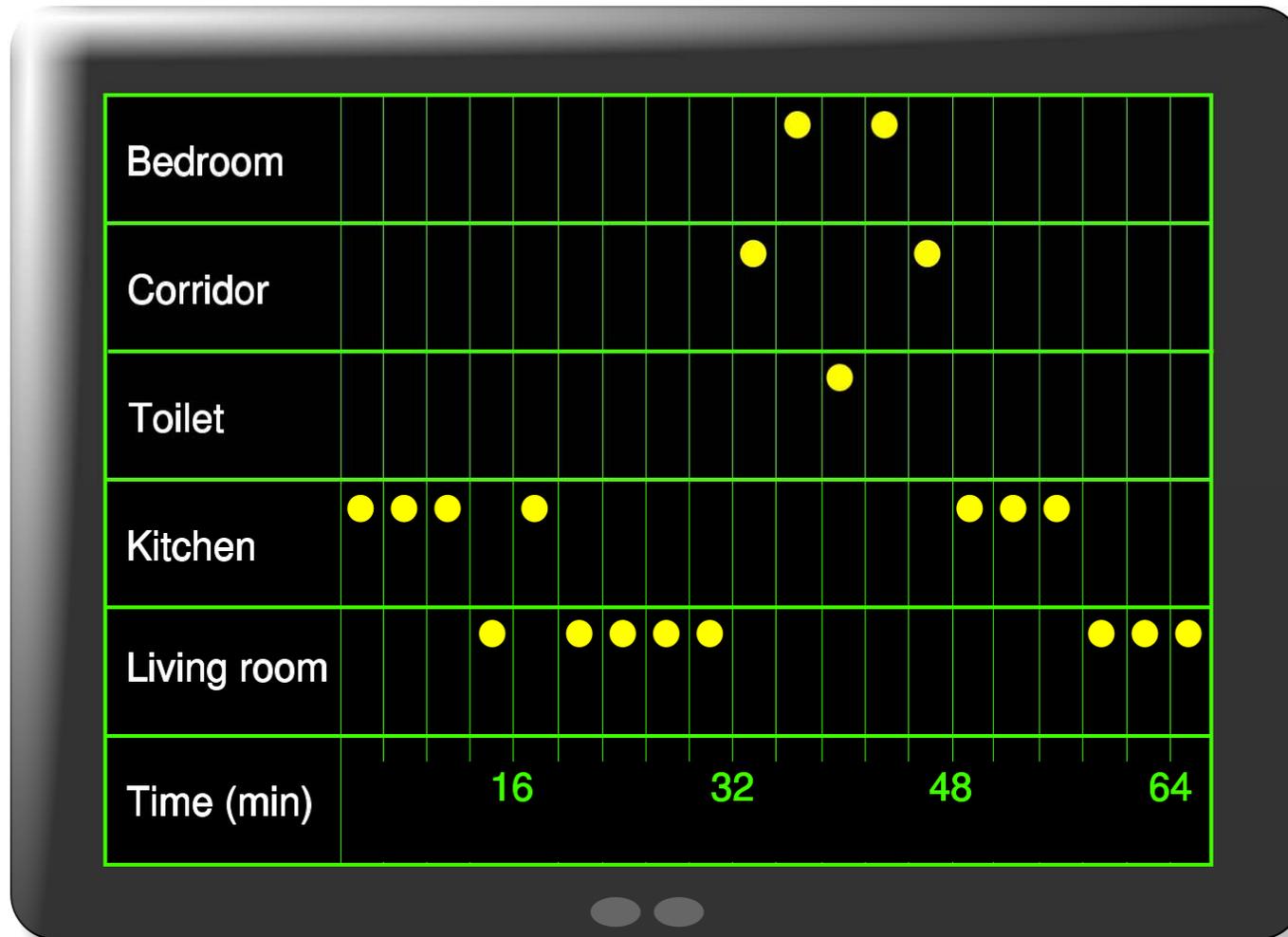


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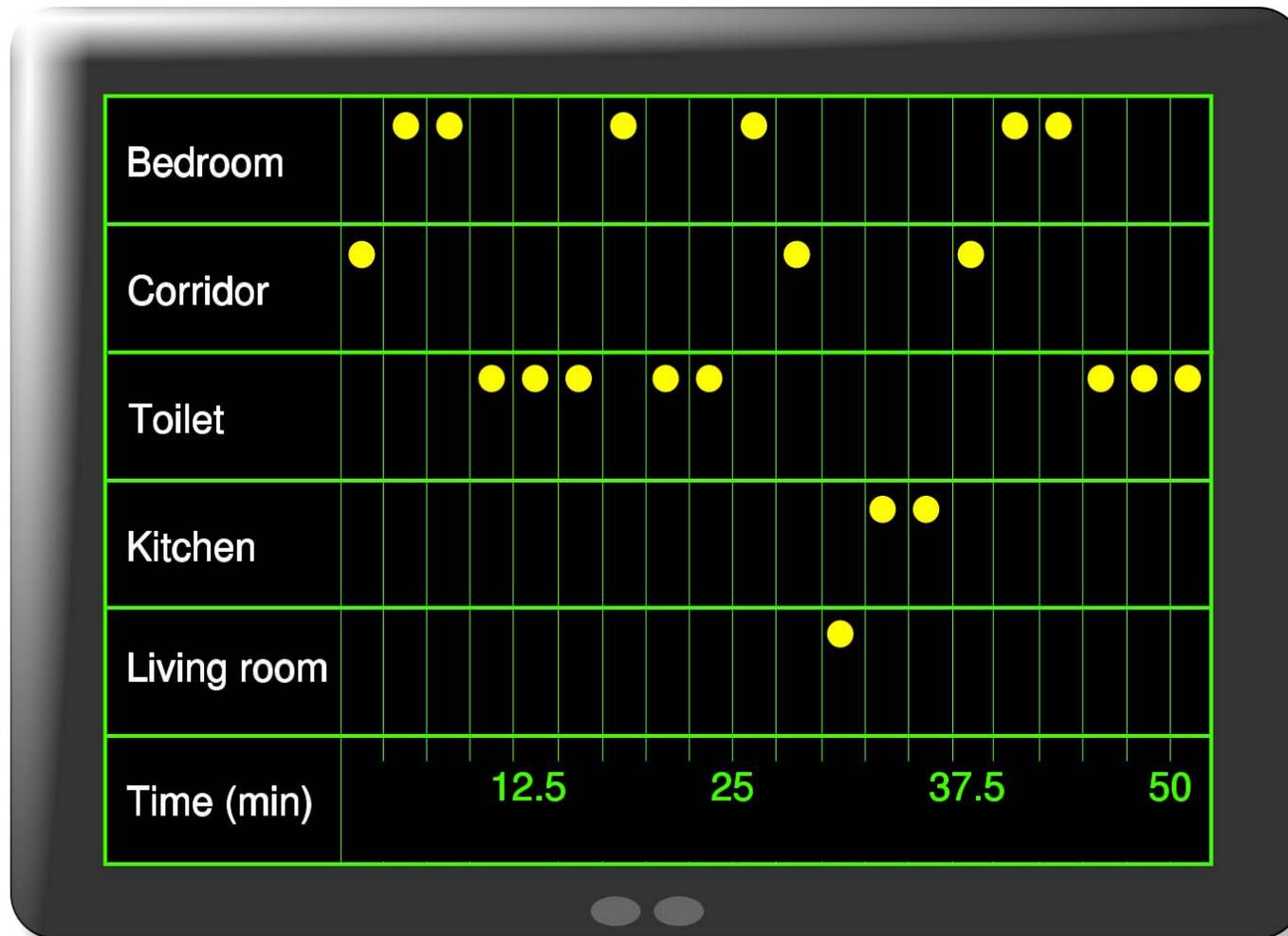
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Sport Performance Analysis



Applied health science
Wheaton college



Center for Human Performance
San Diego, California



Lab based Analysis



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Gait cycle



Initial
contact

Loading
response

Mid
stance

Terminal
stance

Preswing

Initial
swing

Mid
swing

Terminal
swing



Running gait



Initial
contact

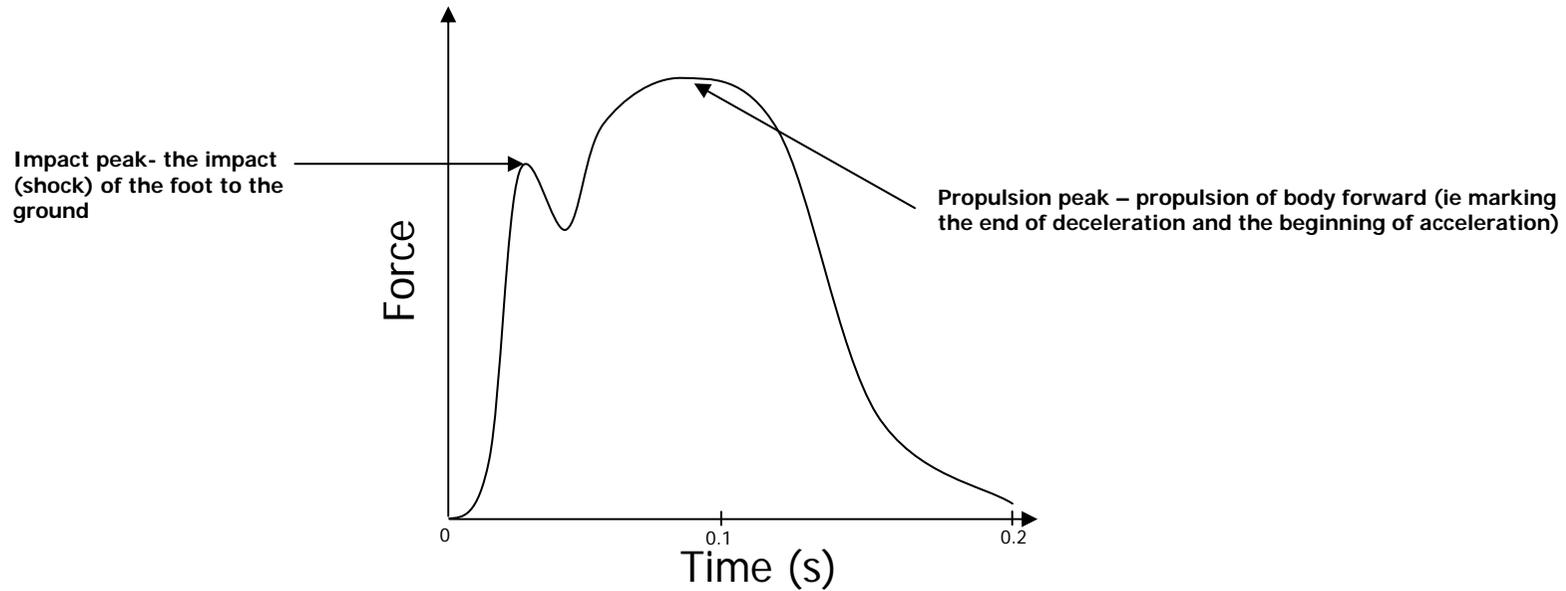
Stance phase
reversal

Toe off

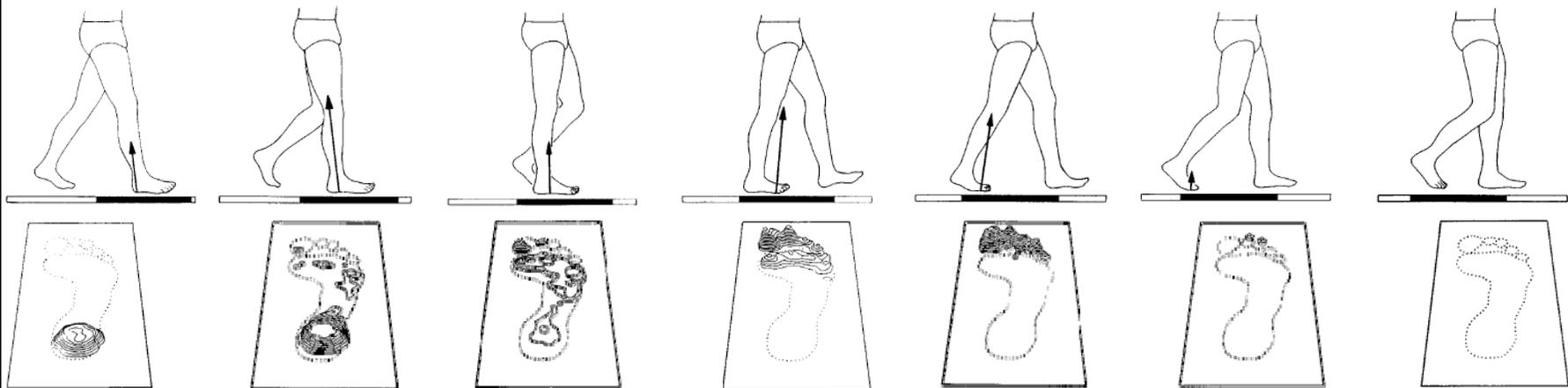
Swing phase
reverse

Initial
contact

Ground reaction force



T.F. Novacheck, "The Biomechanics of running", *Gait and Posture* 7 (1998) 77-95



Sprinting posture



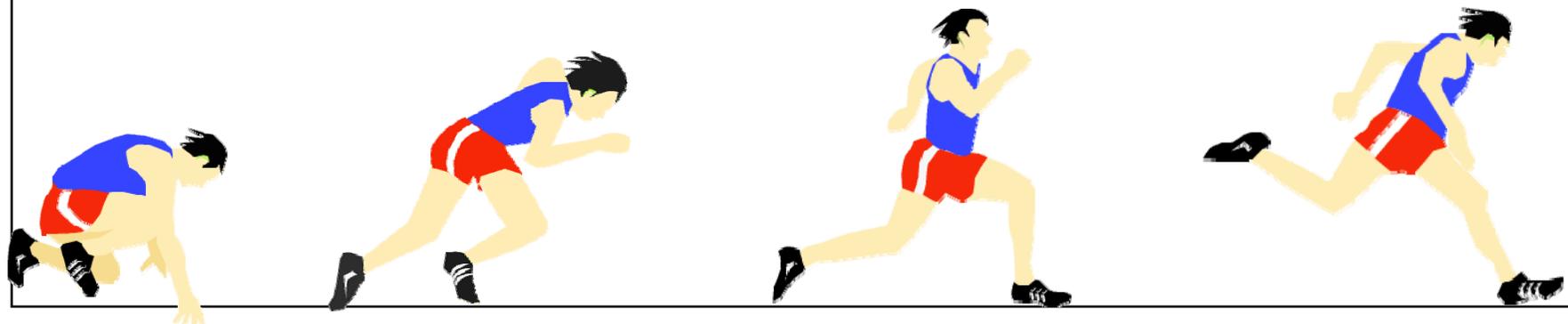
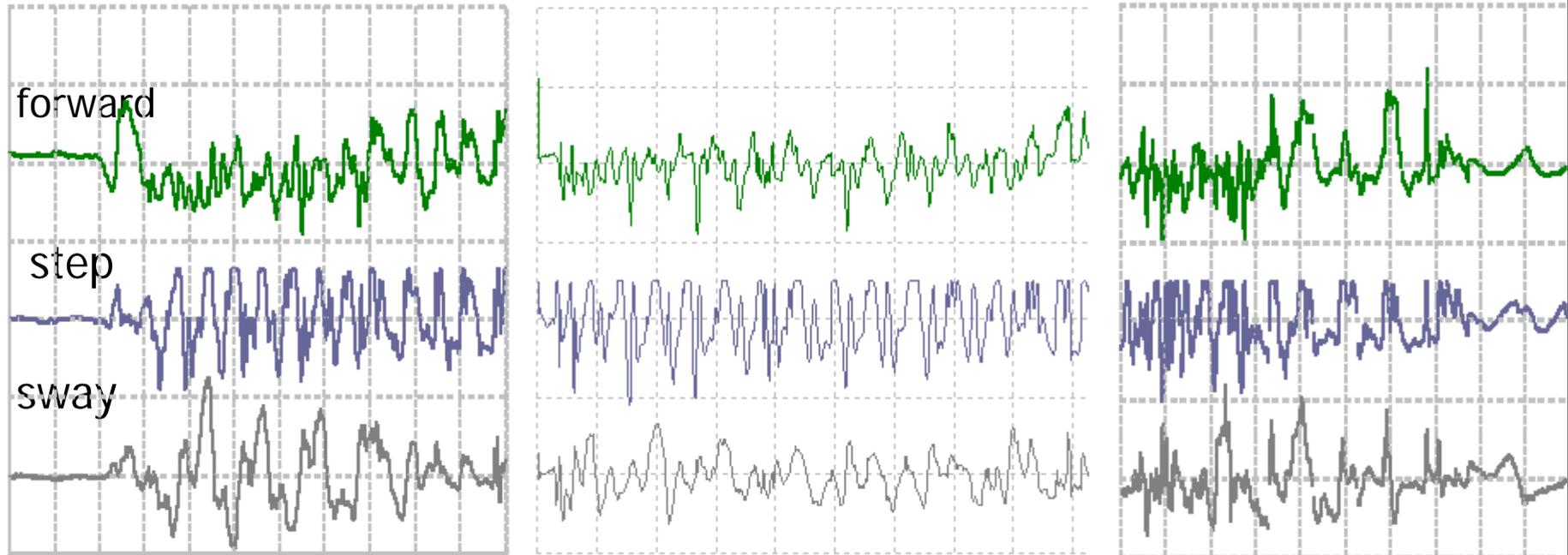
- Starting
 - Stay forward (head down)
- Acceleration (10-30m)
 - foot touches down in front of centre of gravity
 - Forward body lean begins to decrease until normal sprinting position is reached
- Maximum speed (30-60m)
 - Push off angle from ground $\sim 50-55^\circ$
 - Trunk erect with $\sim 5^\circ$ forward lean
 - Foot meets ground with ankle slightly extended directly under centre of gravity

Speed Endurance (60m onwards)

Finishing

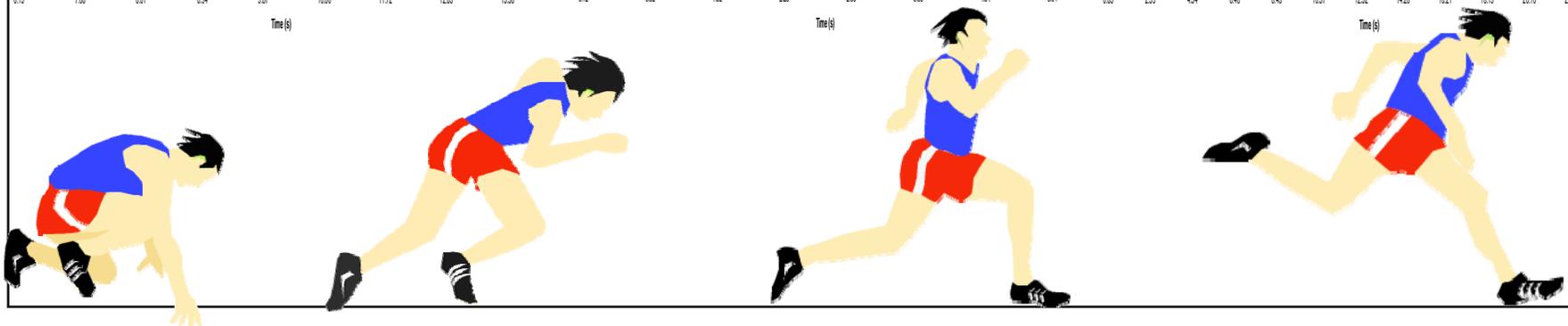
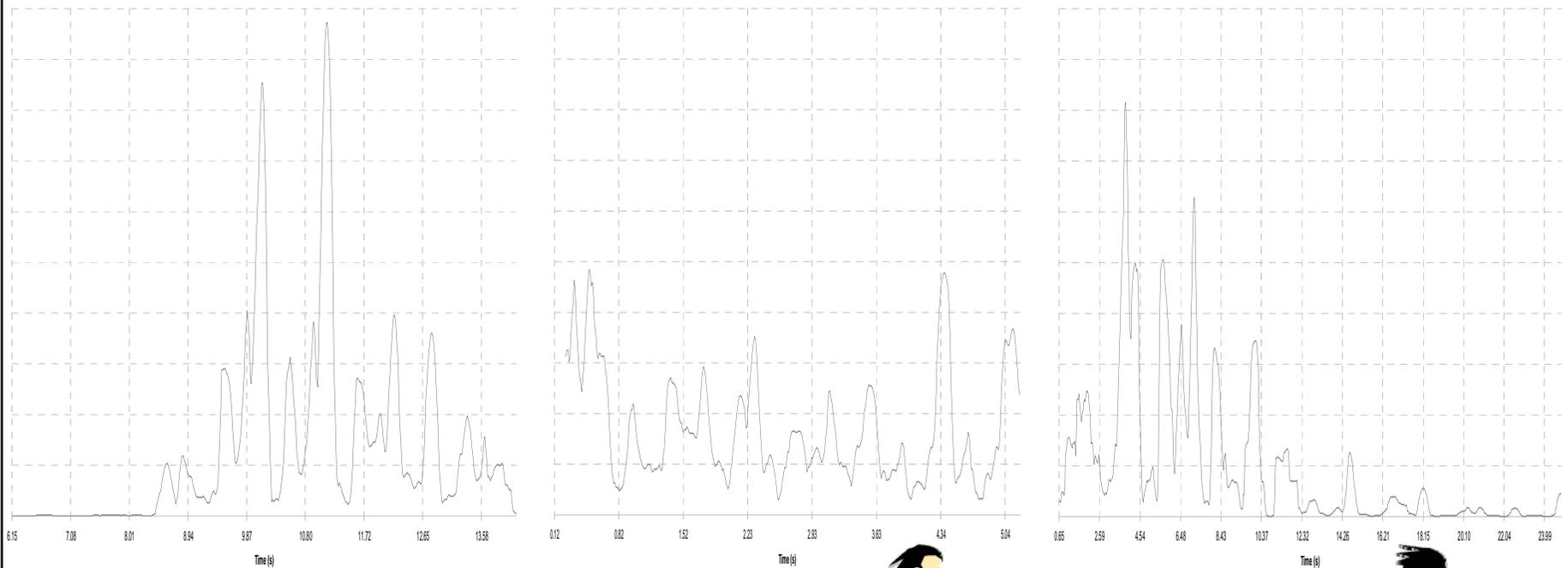
- Increase stride frequency

Sprinting



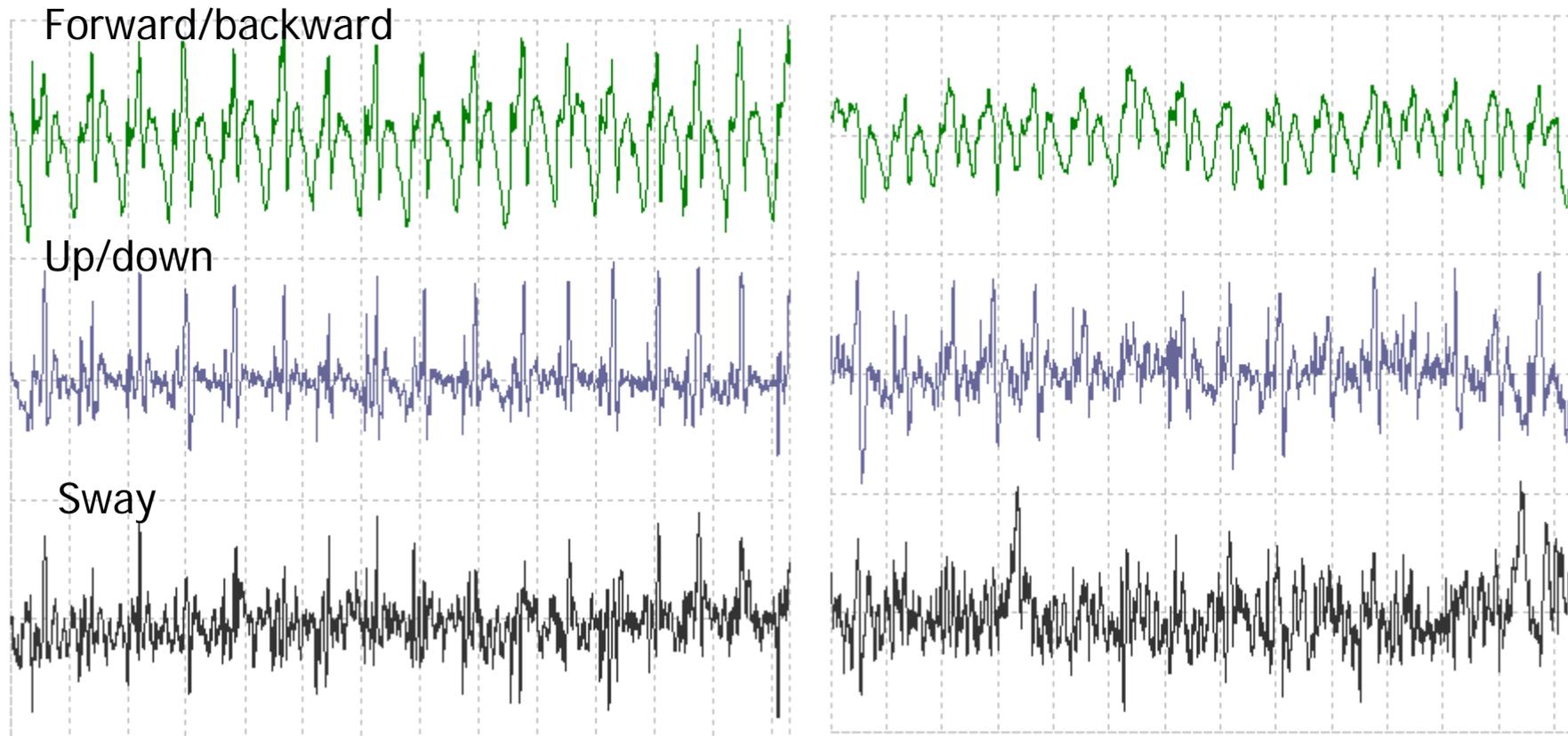


Sprinting - Swaying





Rowing with e-AR

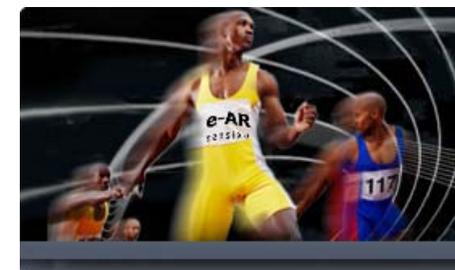
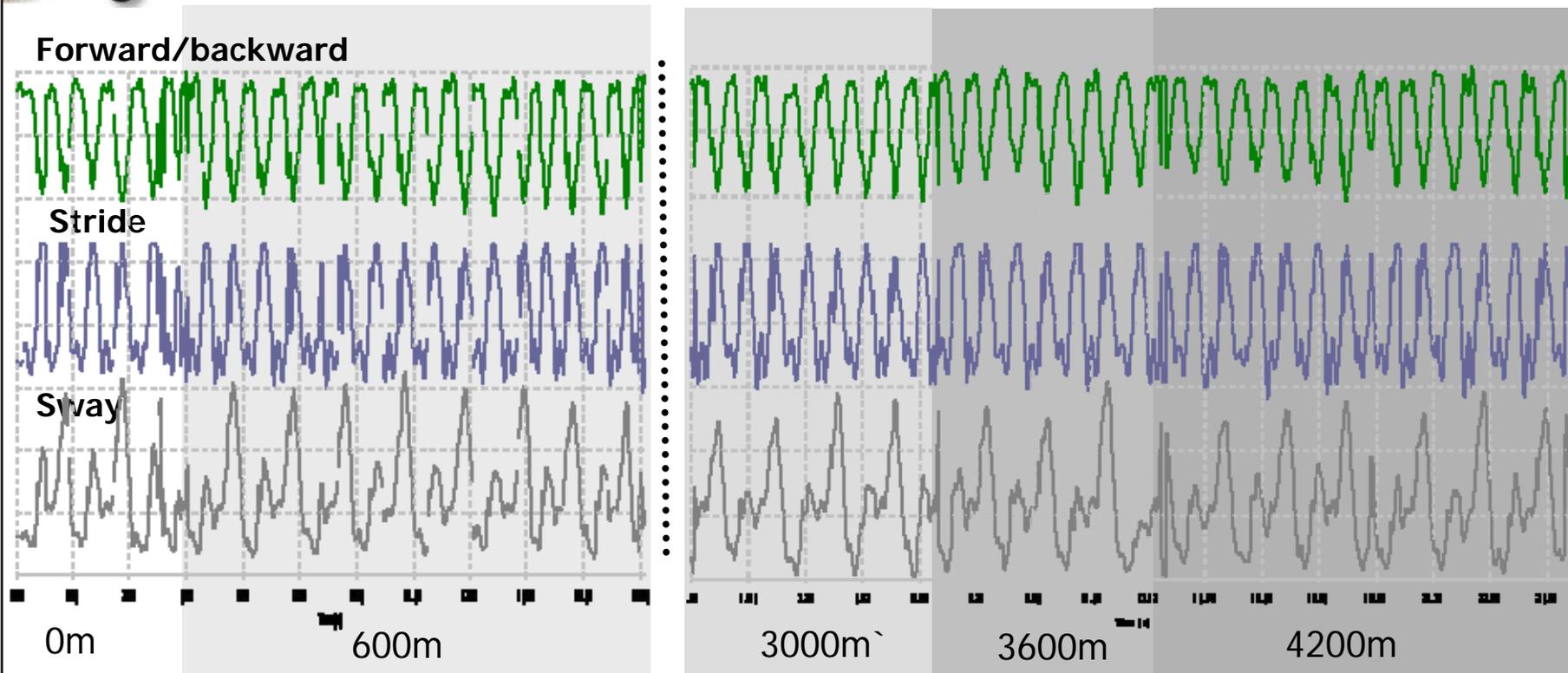


Steady speed

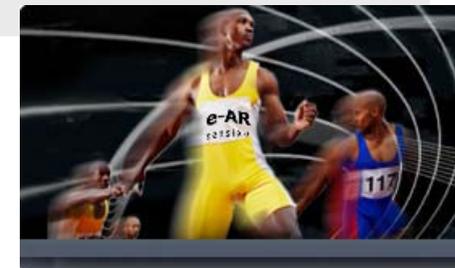
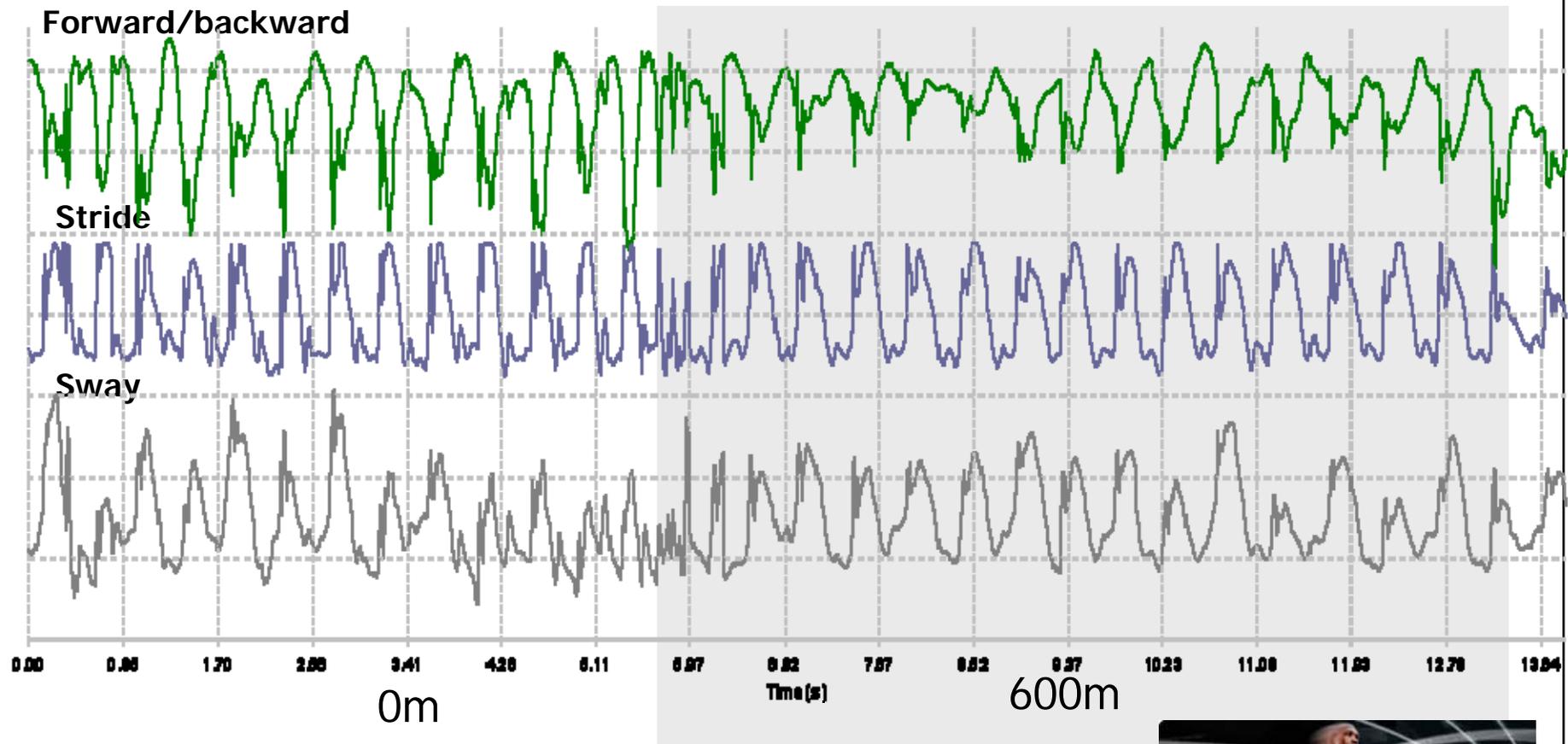
Slowing down



Distance running



Distance running





Safety and Security



Equipment rental



Tracking



Performance analysis



Passes & Tickets



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Access Control

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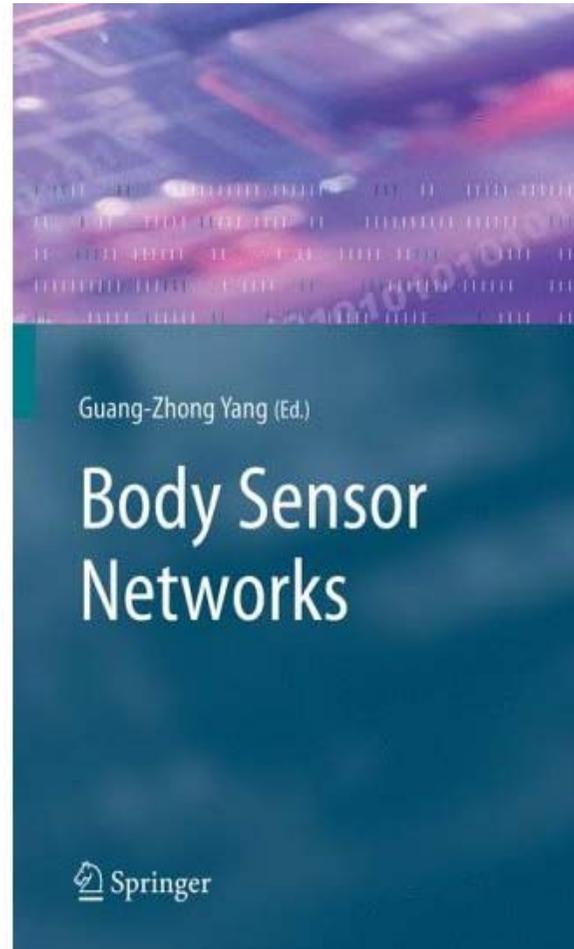


Conclusions

- The boundary between healthcare and general wellbeing monitoring is increasingly blurred, body sensor networks provide a unique platform for the development of pervasive healthcare, well being and physically engaged gaming
- Hardware miniaturisation, ultra-low power design and autonomic (cognitive) sensing
- Pervasive, user centric design is key to different application scenarios
- Heterogenic integration and multi-sensor integration/fusion with ambient sensing is essential



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