

MOTION CAPTURE TECHNOLOGIES

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Outline

- Human Motion and Digitalization
- Motion Capture Devices
 - ▣ Optical
 - ▣ Ranging Sensor
 - ▣ Inertial and Magnetic
- Comparison



Human Motion

□ Brain + Skeleton + Muscles

Internal factors

- Musculature
- Skeleton
- Weight
- Injuries
- Movement habits
- Pregnancy
- State of mind

External Factors

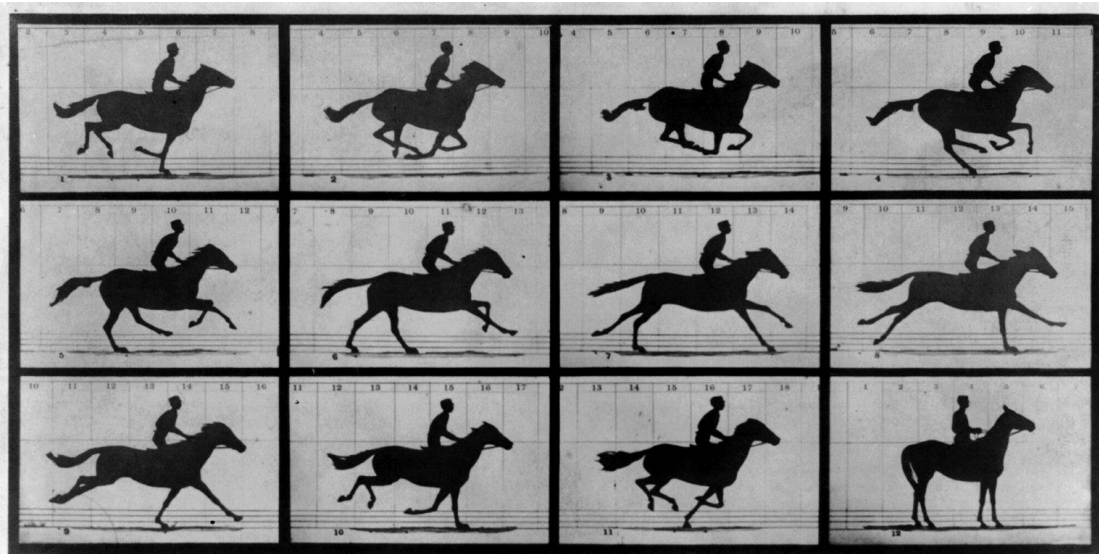
- Shoes
- Clothes
- Type of surface
- Slope of surface
- Wind
- Gravity
- Environment

Motion Capture

- Sequence of individual frames $m = (f_k)_{k=1}^n$
- Captured information
 - ▣ Static body configuration
 - ▣ Position in space
 - ▣ Orientation of body
- Silhouette vs. Skeleton

Appearance Based Approaches

□ Eadweard Muybridge, 1878



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MORSE'S Gallery, 417 Montgomery St., San Francisco.

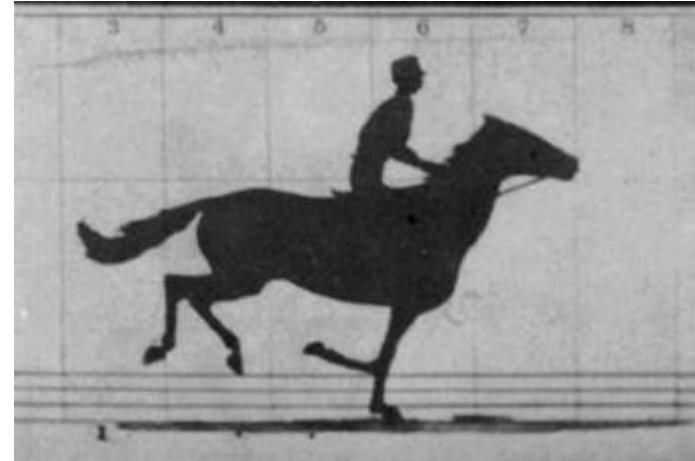
THE HORSE IN MOTION.

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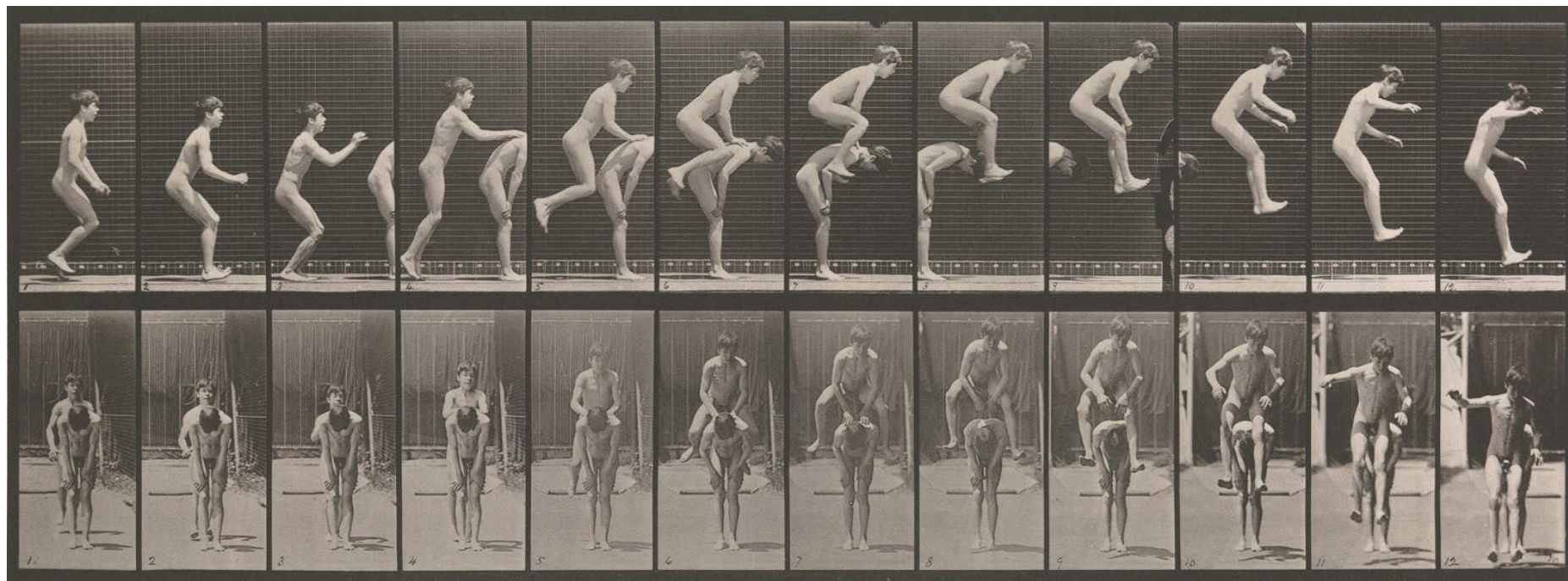
AUTOMATIC ELECTRO-PHOTOGRAPH.

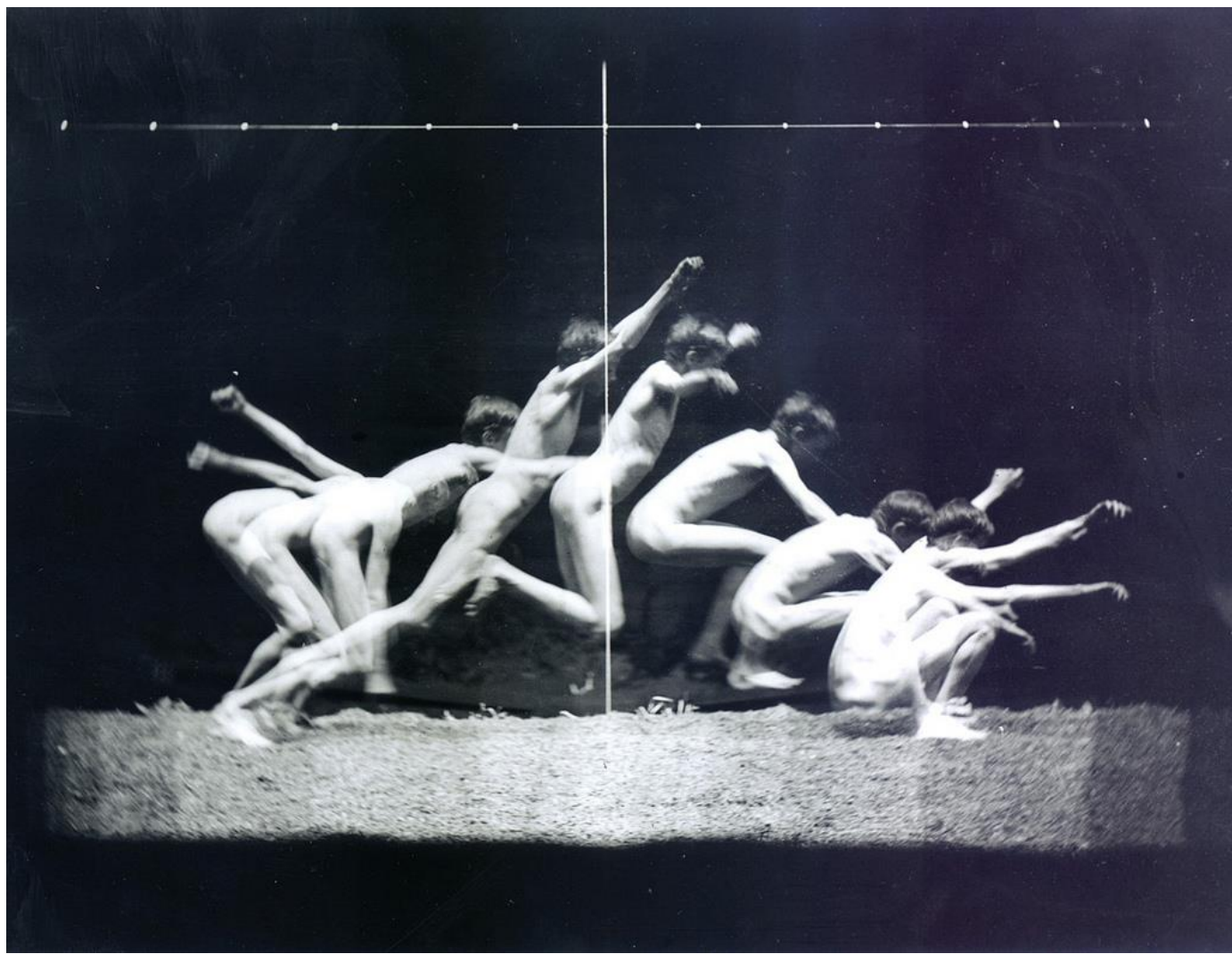
"SALLIE GARDNER," owned by LELAND STANFORD; running at a 1.40 gait over the Palo Alto track, 19th June, 1878.

The negatives of these photographs were made at intervals of twenty-seven inches of distance, and about the twenty-fifth part of a second of time; they illustrate consecutive positions assumed in each twenty-seven inches of progress during a single stride of the mare. The vertical lines were twenty-seven inches apart; the horizontal lines represent elevations of four inches each. The exposure of each negative was less than the two-thousandth part of a second.



Boys Playing Leapfrog, printed 1887





Appearance Base Approaches

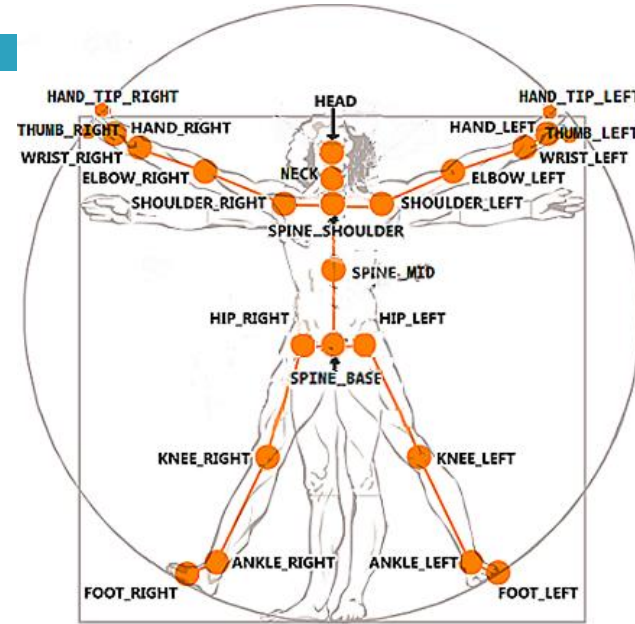
- Originally only regular video cameras, CCTV
- Silhouette oriented $f_k := B_k(x, y) \in \{0, 1\}$

Silhouette extraction
is a common
bottleneck



Model Based Approaches

- Additional abstraction – 2D, 3D
 - ▣ Stick figure, volumetric model, ...
- Skeleton
 - ▣ Joint (or end-effector), Bone
 - ▣ Undirected acyclic graph J – tree
 - Joint \sim Vertex, Bone \sim Edge
 - ▣ Static configuration \sim Pose $p \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times |V(J)|}$
 - ▣ $m = (f_k)_{k=1}^n = (p_k)_{k=1}^n$



Motion Capture Devices

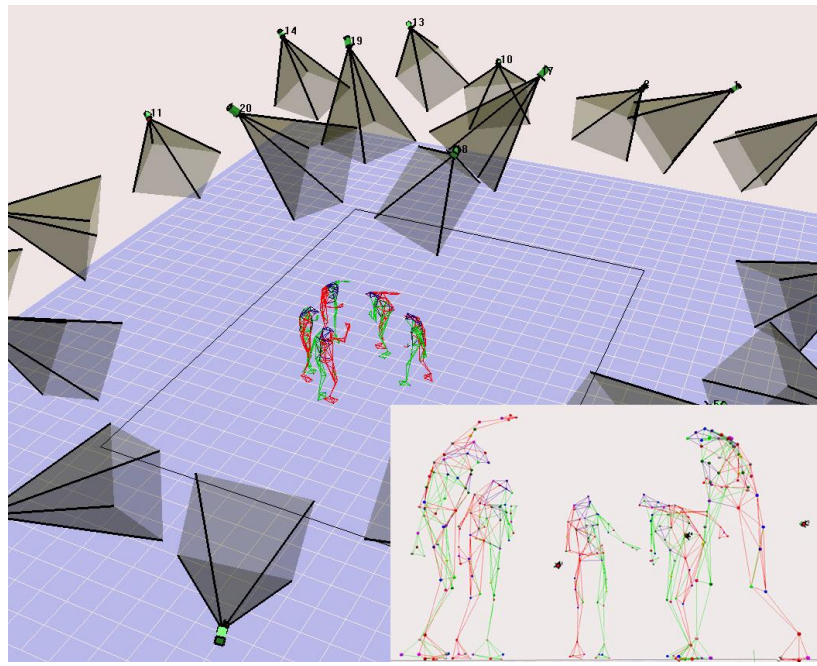
- Optical
 - ▣ Markerless
 - ▣ Invasive
- Inertial
- Magnetic
- Mechanical
- Radio frequency

Both, appearance and model based approaches

Only model based approaches

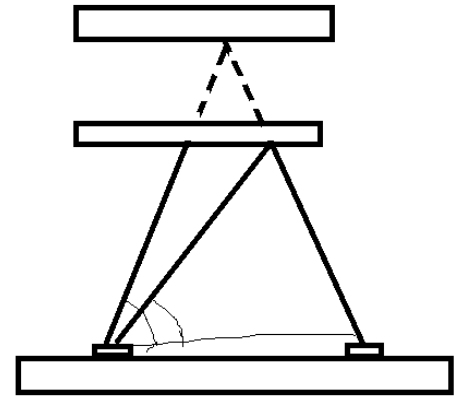
Optical Markerless MoCap Devices

- 3D scene reconstruction
 - ▣ Multiple views
 - ▣ Depth sensors
- RGB stereoscopic cameras
- Multiple synchronized cameras
- Additional sensors
 - ▣ Silhouette extraction
 - ▣ Depth sensing
 - ▣ IR camera, ranging sensor



Ranging Sensor - Triangulation

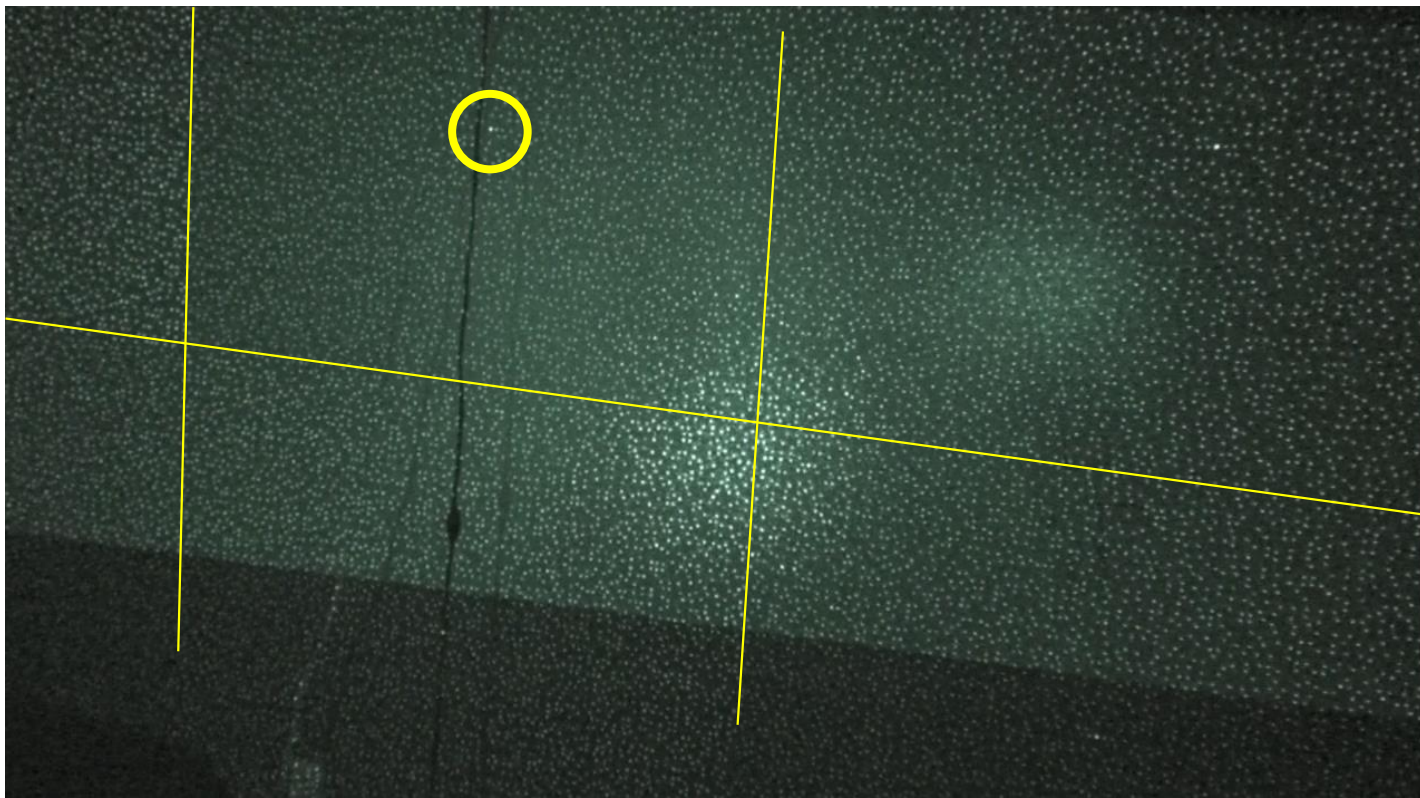
- Laser beam + IR camera
- Projection grid – ‘structured light’
- Known variables
 - ▣ Emitter-camera distance
 - ▣ Dot distribution in grid
- Depth \sim dot translation
- Grid resolution $\uparrow\downarrow$ Object distance
- PrimeSense (now Apple)
 - ▣ Project Natal \Rightarrow Kinect



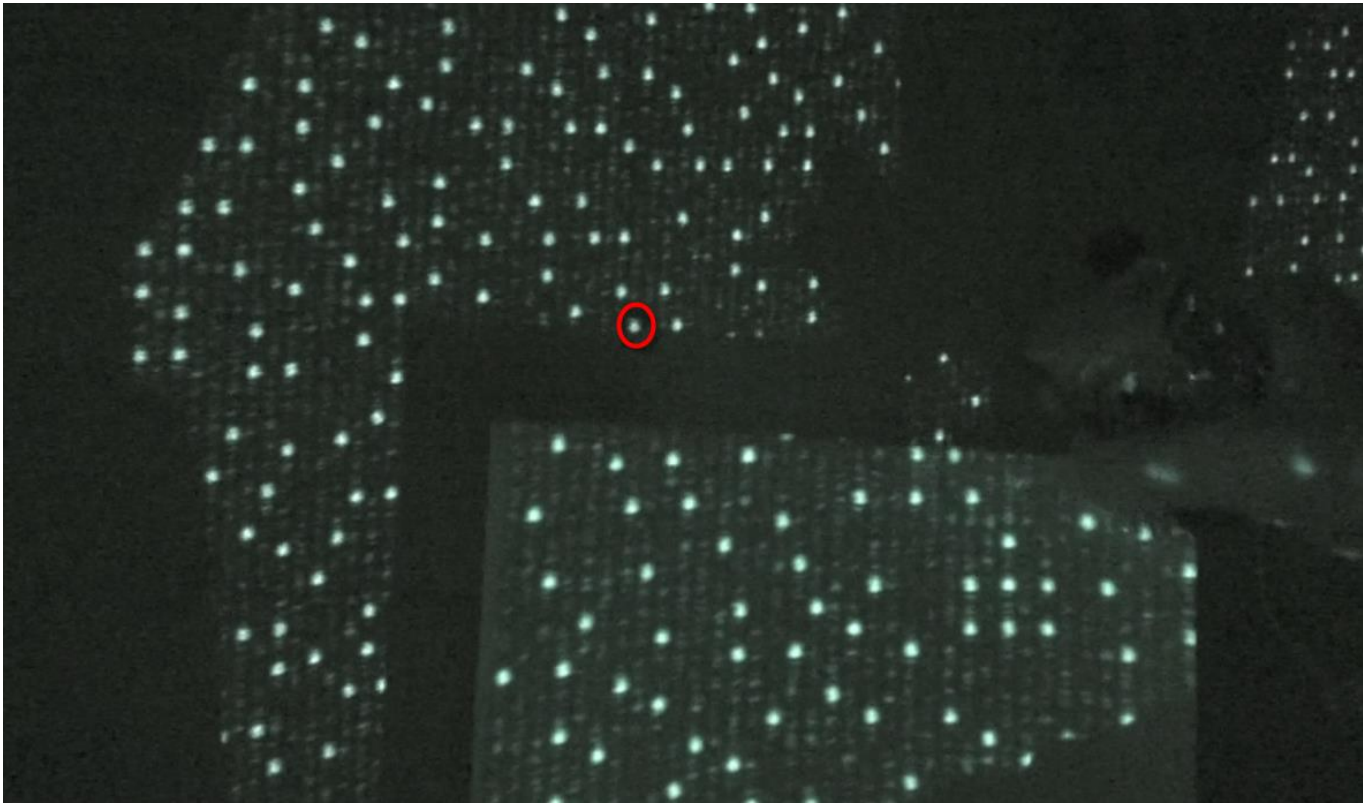
Kinect v1 IR Structured Light



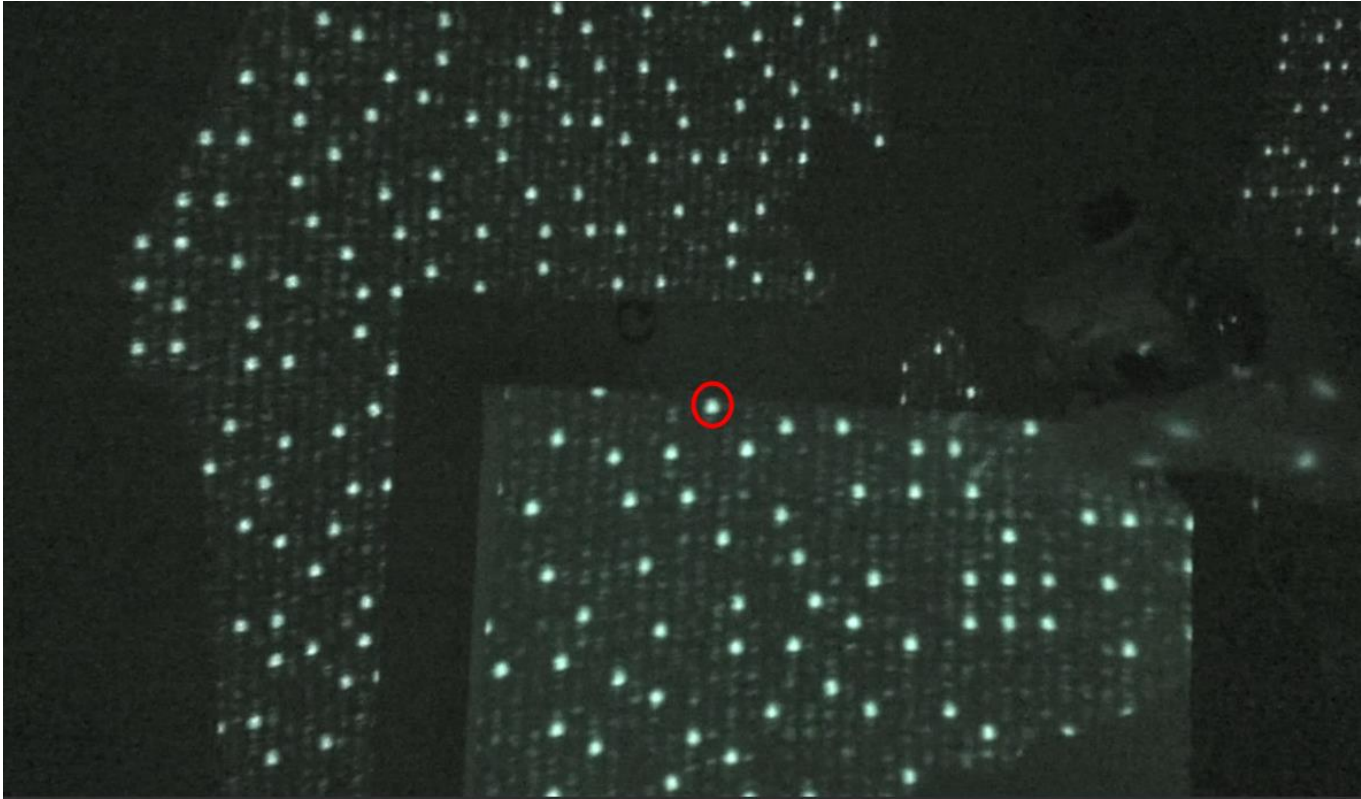
Kinect v1 – Reference Points



Kinect v1 – Point Shift (1)



Kinect v1 – Point Shift (2)



Ranging Sensor – Time of Flight

- Light speed $c \doteq 300\,000 \text{ km/s} = 30 \text{ cm/ns}$
- Principles
 - ▣ RF modulated – phase shift
 - Swiss Ranger 4000
 - PMD CamCube 3.0
 - Canesta Vision (now MS)
 - ▣ Range gated
 - Zcam by 3DV (now MS)
 - TriDiCam
 - ▣ Direct ToF – 3D flash LIDAR
 - Advanced Scientific Concepts, Inc.



Ranging Sensor Comparison

Depth Sensor	Maximal Range	Resolution	Field of View [°]	Repeatability [mm](1 Sigma)
Kinect v1	10m	640x480	57.8 x 43.3	7.6@2m, 27.5@4m
Swiss Ranger 4000	8m	176x144	43 x 34 / 69 x 56	4/6
PMD CamCube 3.0	7m	200x200	40 x 40	3@4m

Camera Types Comparison

□ Interference comparison

Camera Type	Complex Background	Heat Source	Other Camera	Clothes
RGB (B/W)	○○	●●	●●	○○
IR	●○	○○	●●	●●
Ranging	●●	●○	○○	●○

Optical Markerless MoCap Devices

- Stereoscopic video cameras
 - ▣ Sony Playstation Eye
- Video camera + ranging sensor – triangulation
 - ▣ MS Kinect v1, Asus Xtion live, Structure Sensor, PrimeSense Carmine 1.08
- Video camera + ranging sensor – ToF
 - ▣ MS Kinect v2
- 360° video cameras
 - ▣ Organic Motion



PrimeSens Carmine



Asus Xtion Live



Structured Sensor



Microsoft Kinect v1

Microsoft Kinect v2



Price \$300

Fun fact #1: Body part estimation based on ML,
Learning phase take 24,000 CPU hours



Organic Motion Openstage2

Starting price \$40,000

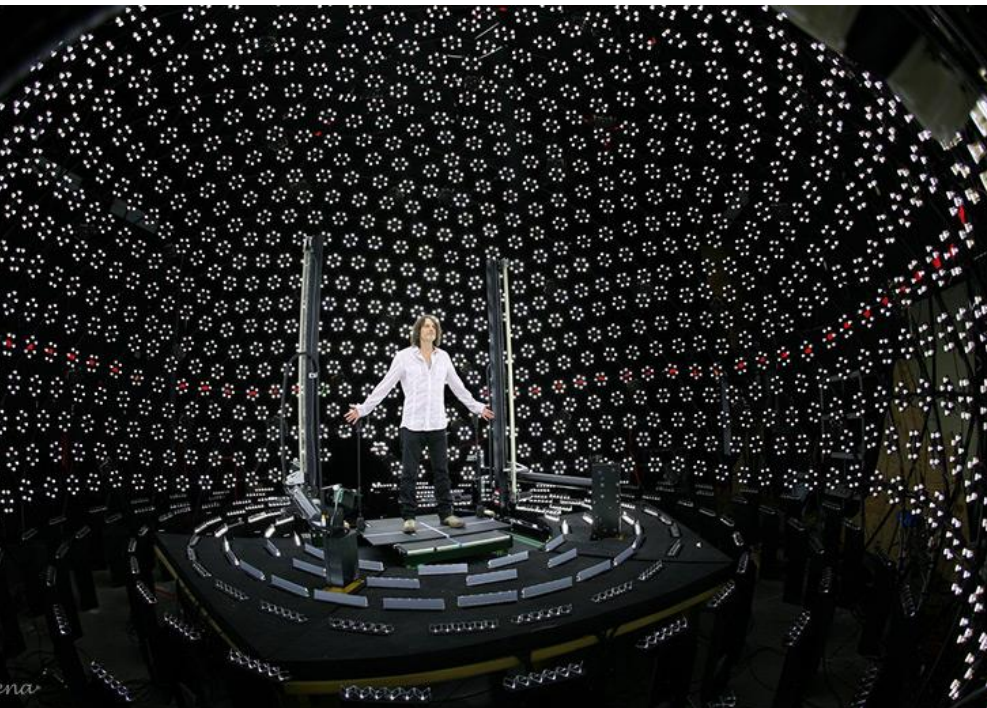
Invasive Optical MoCap Devices

- Active vs. Passive
- Multiple RGB & IR cameras
- Precise, fast
- Price, markers, additional electric source (active)
- Problems
 - ▣ Marker swapping

MoCap Suite



Vicon MX



CGArena

Starting price \$100,000 ?

Inertial & Magnetic MoCap Devices

- Acceleration, magnetic flux
- No global position nor orientation
- Pose initialization
- Accumulation of error
- Gravity, wiring, reinforced concrete

MVN XSens

Feature	MVN Awinda	MVN Link
Trackers	17 Wireless	17 Wired
Latency	30ms	20ms
Wireless range	20m/50m	50m/150m
Output rate	60Hz	240Hz

Starting price from \$12,000



Other MoCap Devices

- Mechanical system
 - ▣ Exoskeleton directly measures joint angle rotations
- Radio Frequency Positioning
 - ▣ RADAR working on high frequencies $>50\text{GHz}$
 - ▣ Inaccurate, large areas (hundreds of meters²)



MoCap Devices Comparison

Sensor name	Range	Resolution	Framerate	Sensor Type	Invasive	Field of View
Kinect v1	0.8-4m	640x480	30Hz	RGB, IR-triangulation	-	57°
Kinect v2	0.5-4.5m	512x424	30Hz	RGB(1080p), ToF, IR camera	-	70°
Asus Xtion Pro Live	0.8-3.5m	640x480	30Hz	RGB, IR-triangulation	-	58°
PrimeSense Carmine 1.08	0.8-3.5m	640x480	30Hz	RGB, IR-triangulation	-	57.5°
Structure Sensor	0.4-3.5	640x480	30Hz	RGB, IR-triangulation	-	58°
Playstation Eye Camera	30cm-inf	1280x800	120Hz	2RGB	-	85°
Vicon MX40+	space 7x7m	2352x1728	120Hz	8-40 cameras (IR & RGB combination)	markers	360°
Xsens MVN	-	0.05 deg	120Hz	17 Inertial and magnetic sensors	on body sensors	-
Organic Motion BioStage	space 4.3x3.8m	640x480	120Hz	12-24 cameras (B/W)	-	360°

MoCap Software Comparison

Sensor	Software	Tracked Subjects	Morphology Stability	Positional Accuracy [mm]	Rotational Accuracy [°]	Landmarks
Kinect v1	Kinect SDK v1.*	2	No	50 – 150	?	20
Kinect v1	OpenNi+Nite 1.3	2	No	50 – 150	?	15
Kinect v2	Kinect SDK v2	6	No	?	1 – 3	25
Vicon MX40	Vicon-Workstation V4.6/142	?	Yes	0.063	?	32 - variable
Xsens MVN	MVN Human model	1	Yes	-	0.5 – 1	22
Organic Motion	OpenStage2	5	Yes	1	1 – 2	22

Joint Tracking Error

Kinect v1

Joint	System	Walk	360	Hide	Box	Occ	Sit
Head	MSSDK	15.8	17.2	16.1	13.2	32.5	14.8
	NITE	10.6	11.8	13.3	12.2	76.2	11.0
Neck	MSSDK	11.2	14.5	10.9	8.5	31.8	7.7
	NITE	4.6	4.9	3.2	10.5	76.6	5.7
Torso	MSSDK	4.4	5.9	3.9	10.1	30.7	7.5
	NITE	6.7	6.7	6.8	15.5	82.0	12.1
Shoulders	MSSDK	7.8	16.8	5.8	9.3	34.6	7.9
	NITE	5.6	18.6	7.1	8.7	82.4	9.2
Elbows	MSSDK	9.6	28.6	7.6	6.4	42.5	8.7
	NITE	9.0	32.0	7.4	9.1	78.5	11.1
Hands	MSSDK	14.8	47.3	15.6	12.2	52.9	14.1
	NITE	14.8	50.2	11.0	15.9	84.7	14.2

Percentage of Tracked Frames

Kinect v1

Joint	System	Walk	360	Hide	Box	Occ	Sit
Head	MSSDK	100	100	100	100	66	100
	NITE	91	99	93	82	83	68
Neck	MSSDK	100	100	100	100	67	100
	NITE	100	100	100	100	83	99
Torso	MSSDK	100	100	100	100	67	100
	NITE	100	100	100	100	83	99
Shoulders	MSSDK	100	73	100	100	60	99
	NITE	100	100	100	100	83	99
Elbows	MSSDK	100	75	100	96	57	74
	NITE	99	90	100	71	59	95
Hands	MSSDK	100	76	58	48	47	86
	NITE	99	88	100	70	58	94



Thank you for your attention

Resources

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- ❑ <http://www.freepatentsonline.com/20100118123.pdf>
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