

HCI/ComS 575X:  
Computational Perception

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## Motion Energy & Motion History

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A. F. Bobick and J.W. Davis

``An appearance-based representation of action".

In Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Pattern Recognition 1996,  
August 1996, pp. 307-312.

A. Davis, J. and A. Bobick

``The Representation and Recognition of Action Using Temporal Templates",

In Proceedings of IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, June 1997, pp. 928-934.

## The Authors



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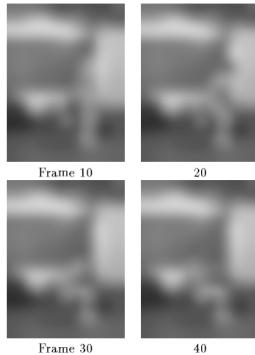


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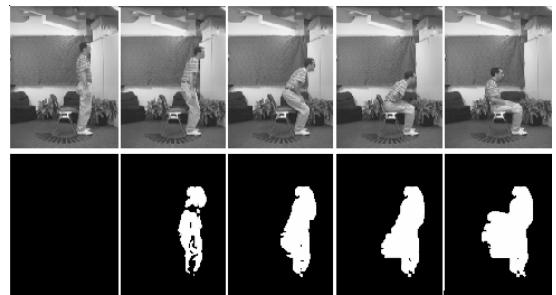
## What is this?



What action is being performed?

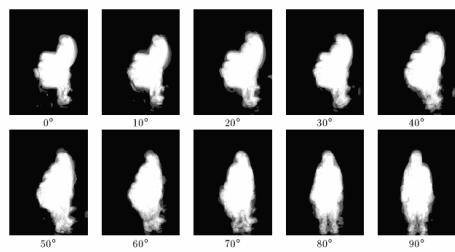


Motion Energy Image (MEI)

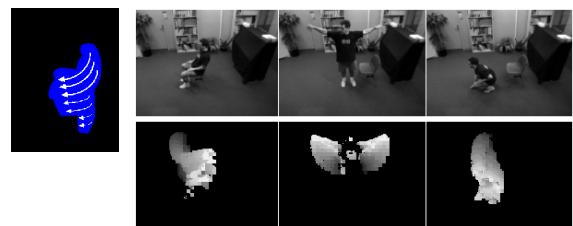


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Average MEI for various viewing angles



Motion History Image (MHI)



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## Definitions

- Image Sequence  $I(x, y, t)$
- Binary Images indicating regions of motion  $D(x, y, t)$
- Binary Motion Energy Image  $E_\tau(x, y, t)$

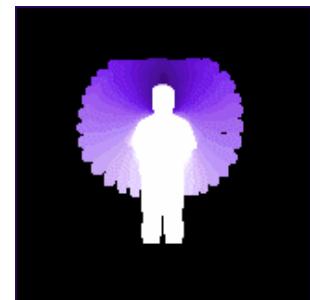
## Motion Energy

$$E_\tau(x, y, t) = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\tau-1} D(x, y, t - i)$$

## Motion History

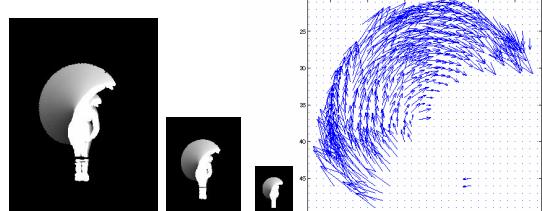
$$H_\tau(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} \tau & \text{if } D(x, y, t) = 1 \\ \max(0, H_\tau(x, y, t - 1) - 1) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The result: more recently moving pixels appear brighter



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## MHI pyramid

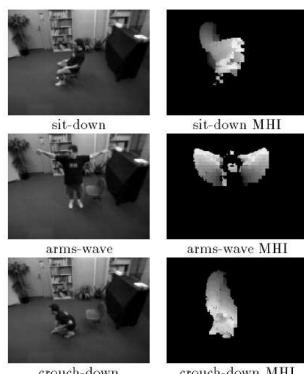


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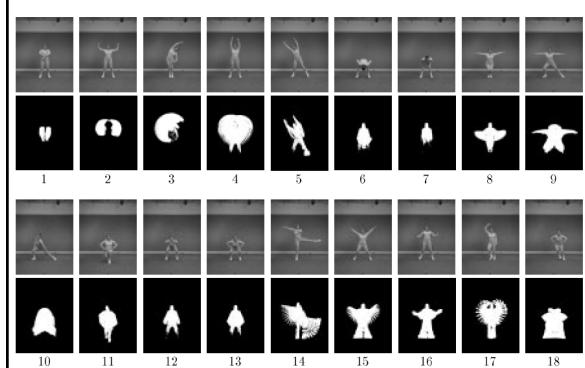
## Motion templates for finishing LEFT-ARM-RAISE and FAN-UP-ARMS.



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## Aerobics Dataset



## Results for 30° off center camera location

	Closest Dist	Closest Move	Correct Dist	Median Dist	Rank
Test 1	1.43	4	1.44	2.55	2
	2	3.14	2	3.14	1
	3	3.08	3	3.08	1
	4	0.47	4	0.47	1
	5	6.84	5	6.84	1
	6	0.32	10	0.61	7
Test 7	0.97	7	0.97	2.03	1
	8	20.47	8	20.47	1
	9	1.05	8	1.77	4
	10	0.14	10	0.14	1
	11	0.24	11	0.24	1
	12	0.79	12	0.79	1
Test 13	0.13	6	0.25	0.51	3
	14	4.01	14	4.01	1
	15	0.34	15	0.34	1
	16	1.03	15	1.04	2
	17	0.65	17	0.65	1
	18	0.48	10	0.51	4

## OpenCV Demo

- If you want to try this at home just compile and run the motempl.c file in the `./samples/c` directory

## Applications

A. Bobick, S. Intille, J. Davis, F. Baird, C. Pinhanez, L. Campbell, Y. Ivanov, A. Schutte, and A. Wilson (1999)

``The Kidsroom: A Perceptually-Based Interactive and Immersive Story Environment''

Presence: Teleoperators and Virtual Environments, Vol. 8, No. 4, 1999, pp. 367-391.

## The Kid's Room



[Bobick et al. 1996]

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## Monsters



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## Scavenger Hunt



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## The Blue Monster



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### Spin in place



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### 3 Kids Spin on a Rug



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### The River Vorls



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### The Technology

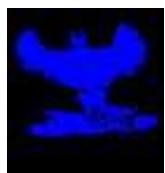


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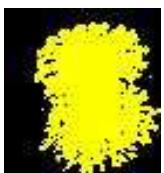
### Motion History Templates



Making a 'Y'



Flapping



Spinning

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### Detecting the Bed



[<http://vismod.media.mit.edu/vismod/demos/kidsroom/kidsroom.html>]

## Man Overboard Detector



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## Movies

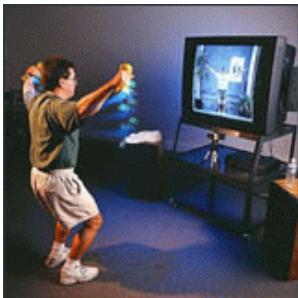
- The quality of the movies is not very good
- You can download them from:

<http://vismod.media.mit.edu/vismod/demos/kidsroom/kidsroom.html>

J. Davis and A. Bobick

``Virtual PAT: A Virtual Personal Aerobics Trainer'',  
Workshop on Perceptual User Interfaces, November 1998,  
pp. 13-18.

## Interactive Virtual Aerobics Trainer



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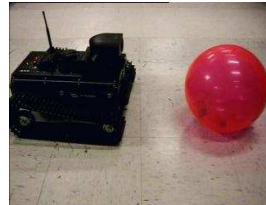
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## Movies

## The Personal Pet Project



**Pepe**

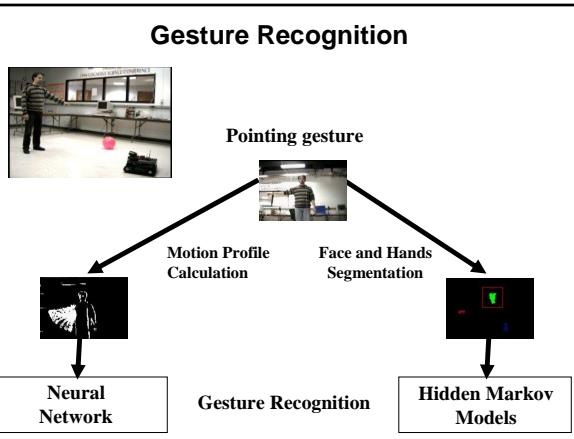
*Joint work with  
Raweesak Tanawongsuwan*

Tanawongsuwan, R., Stoytchev, A.,  
and Essa, I.,

"Robust Tracking of People by a  
Mobile Robotic Agent",  
Technical Report GIT-GVU-99-19.

## Project Goals

- build an intelligent, adaptive, user-friendly agent
- build an agent that has a personality
- make the interaction between the user and the agent as natural as possible



## Motion History/Energy

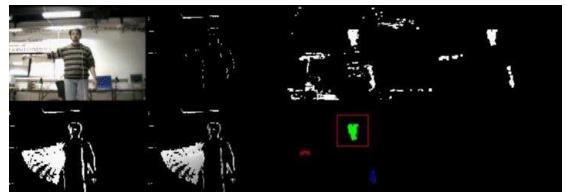
- Perform a frame-by-frame subtraction (image differencing) and accumulate the results over the history window.
- Motion energy is a binary version of motion history
- Technique from Bobick and Davis.



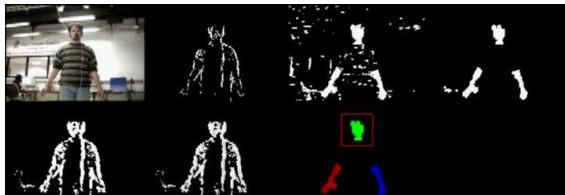
Gesture recognition



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Movie

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