

# movement intelligence *before* control

a story on *where* to look in biology

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# biology-inspired approach to robotics #1:

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movement intelligence is

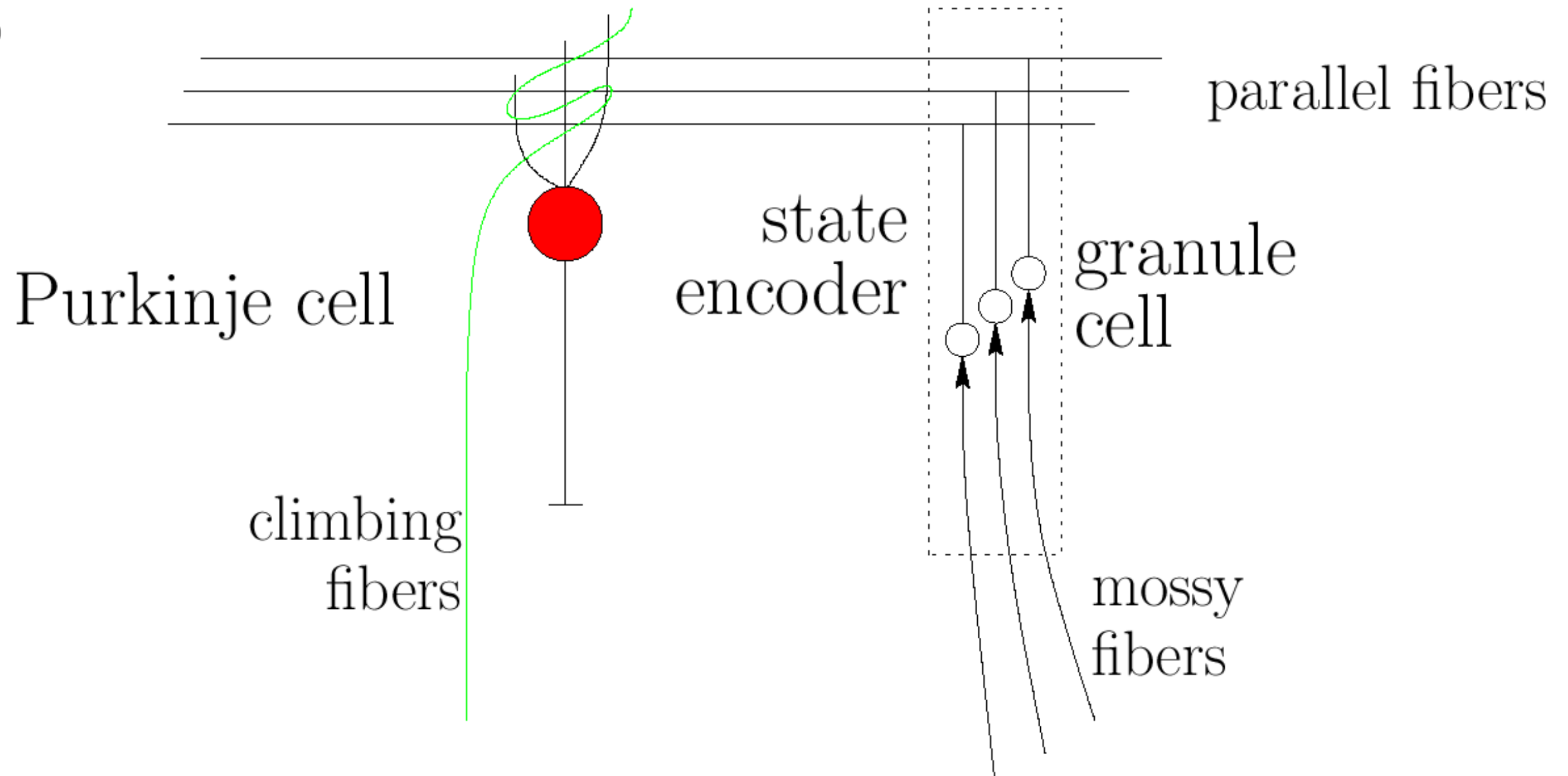
**caused by**

superior control

(“a robot with a biological brain”)

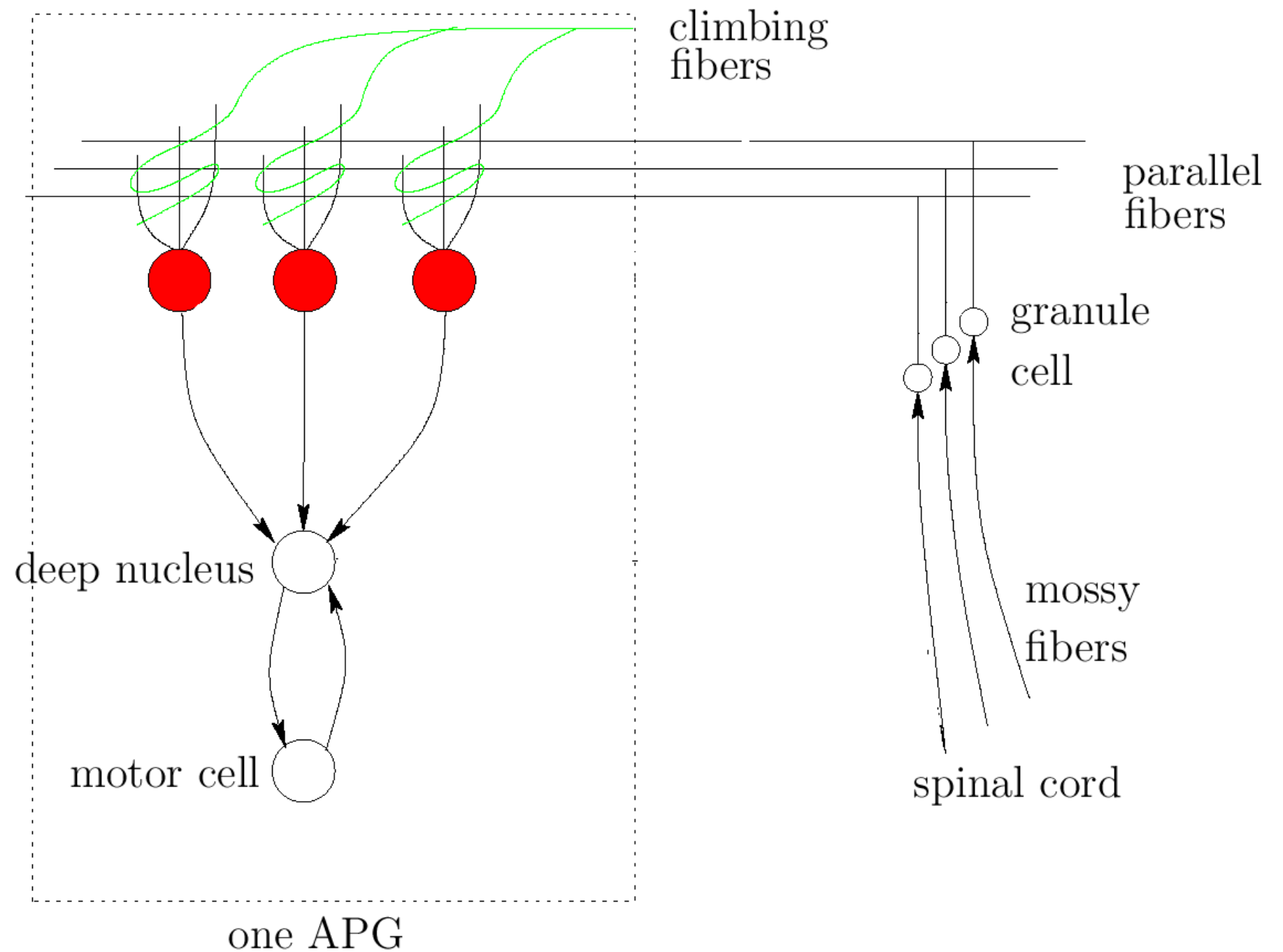
# cerebellar models 1: the CMAC

- Braitenberg (1961)
- Marr (1969)
- Albus (1971)
- Albus (1975)



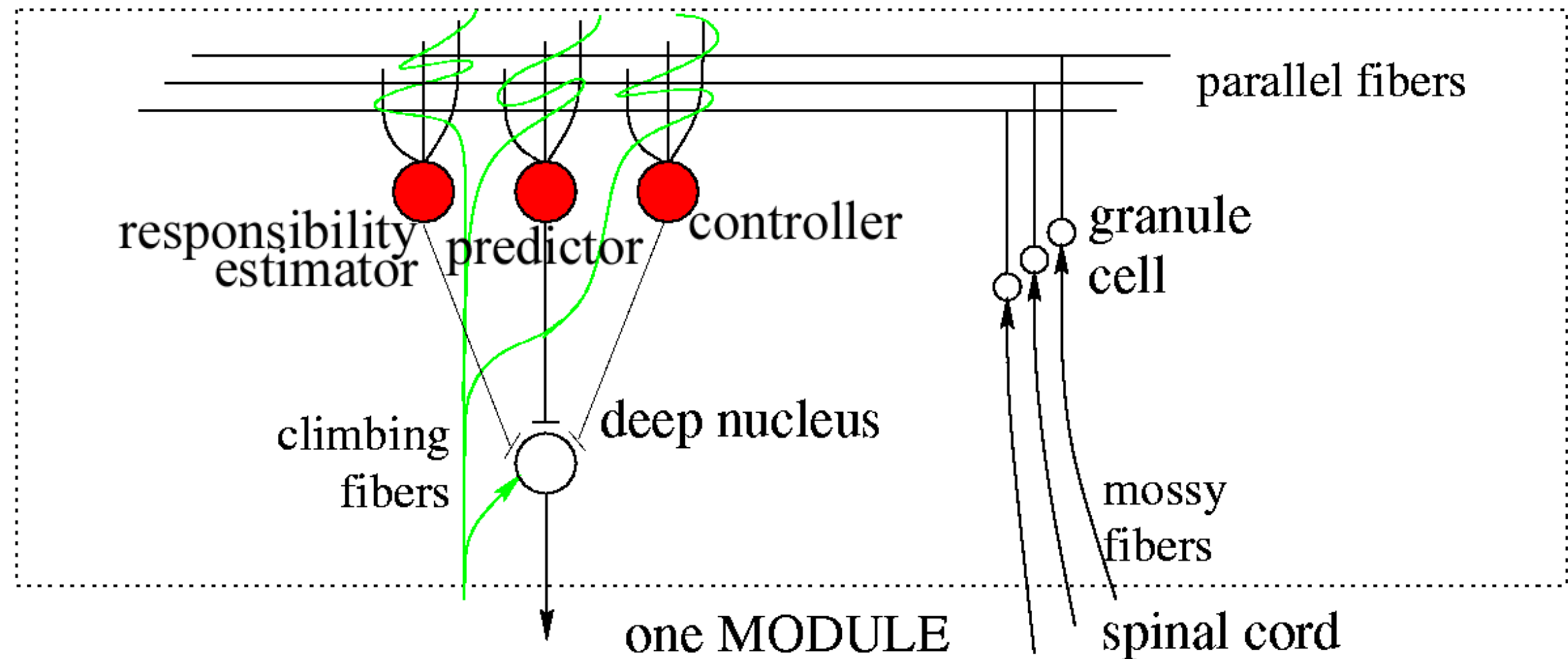
# cerebellar models 2: the APG

- Houk, Barto, Fagg (1989)



## cerebellar models 3: the MPFIM

- Wolpert, Kawato (1998, 2000)
- Peters, van der Smagt (2001)



and more and more...

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- Smith's "Fairly Obvious Extension" (APG with vector-eligibility)
- Schweighofer's model (biologically inspired)
- Hoff/Bekey Method (combined with spinal model)
- CNS-BU Model (VOR)
- Jabri et al (multi-layer Perceptron)
- 2009: Jörntell, Nilsson (high-level model "LSAM")
- ...

## from high-level (cerebellar) views

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- cerebellar lesions lead to *ataxia*, lack of order in movement---but movement is very possible
- there are *huge delays* in the PNS which prevent fast feedback loops
- recent theories see the cerebellum as a *filter* which smooths out cortical movement patterns with inertial feedback
- ...somehow the controlled system must be smarter

## biology-inspired approach to robotics #2:

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movement intelligence is  
present **despite**  
control

(“a computer with a biological body”)



# let's see how nature did all of these

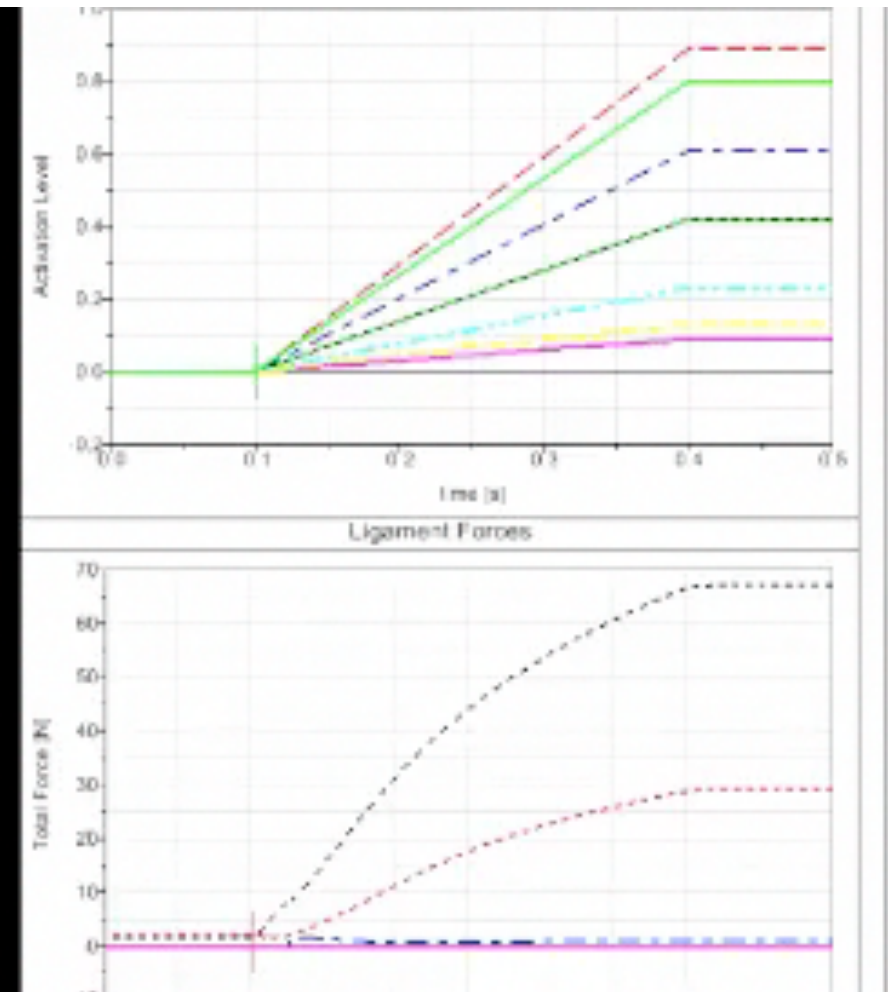
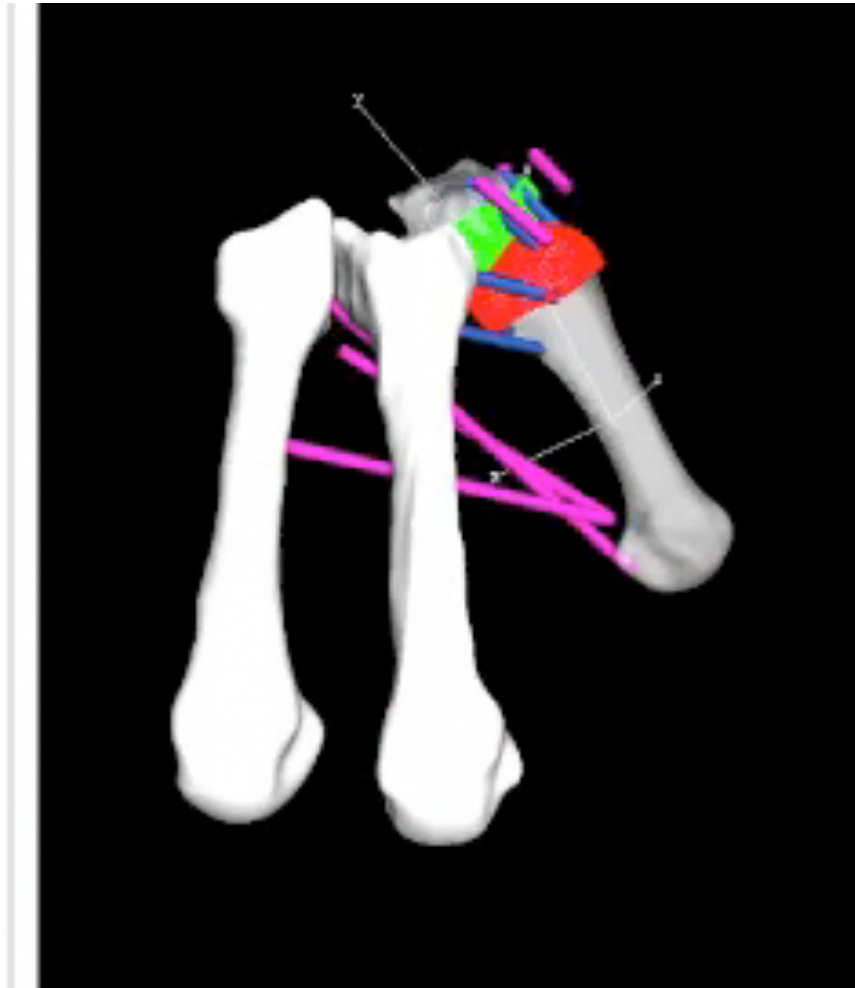
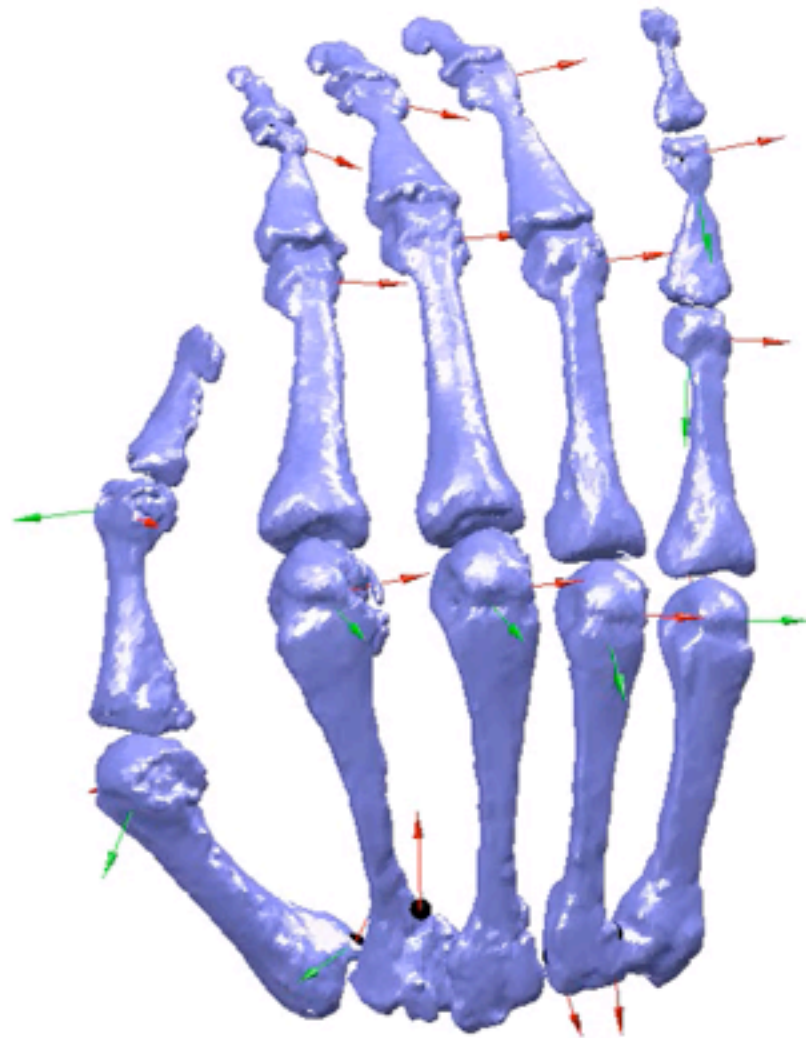
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**step 1:** let us try to understand the human body in its

- kinematics
- statics
- dynamics

**step 2:** let us *then* add intelligent control

# 1 kinematics      problem: modelling the human hand

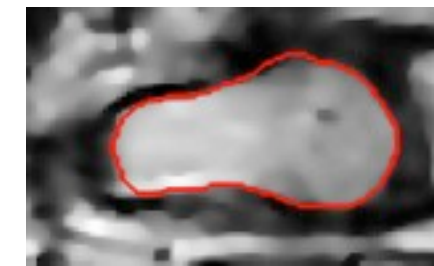
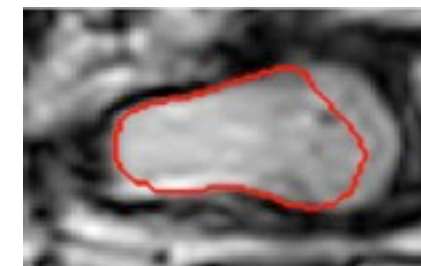
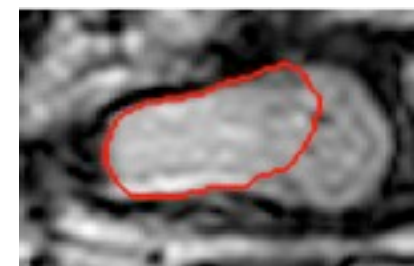
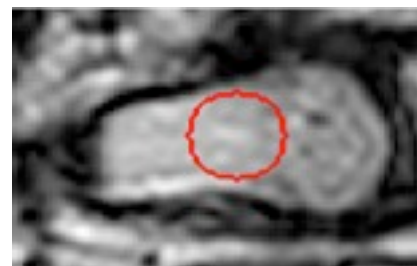


Stillfried & van der Smagt, Proc. ICABB, 2010  
 Stillfried & van der Smagt, J. Biomech, 2012  
 Synek & Stillfried, BioRob 2012

# 1 kinematics      problem': tracking

## MRI

- repeatable position of rigid structure
- high costs
- costly post-processing
- single-participant only
- deformation not quantifiable

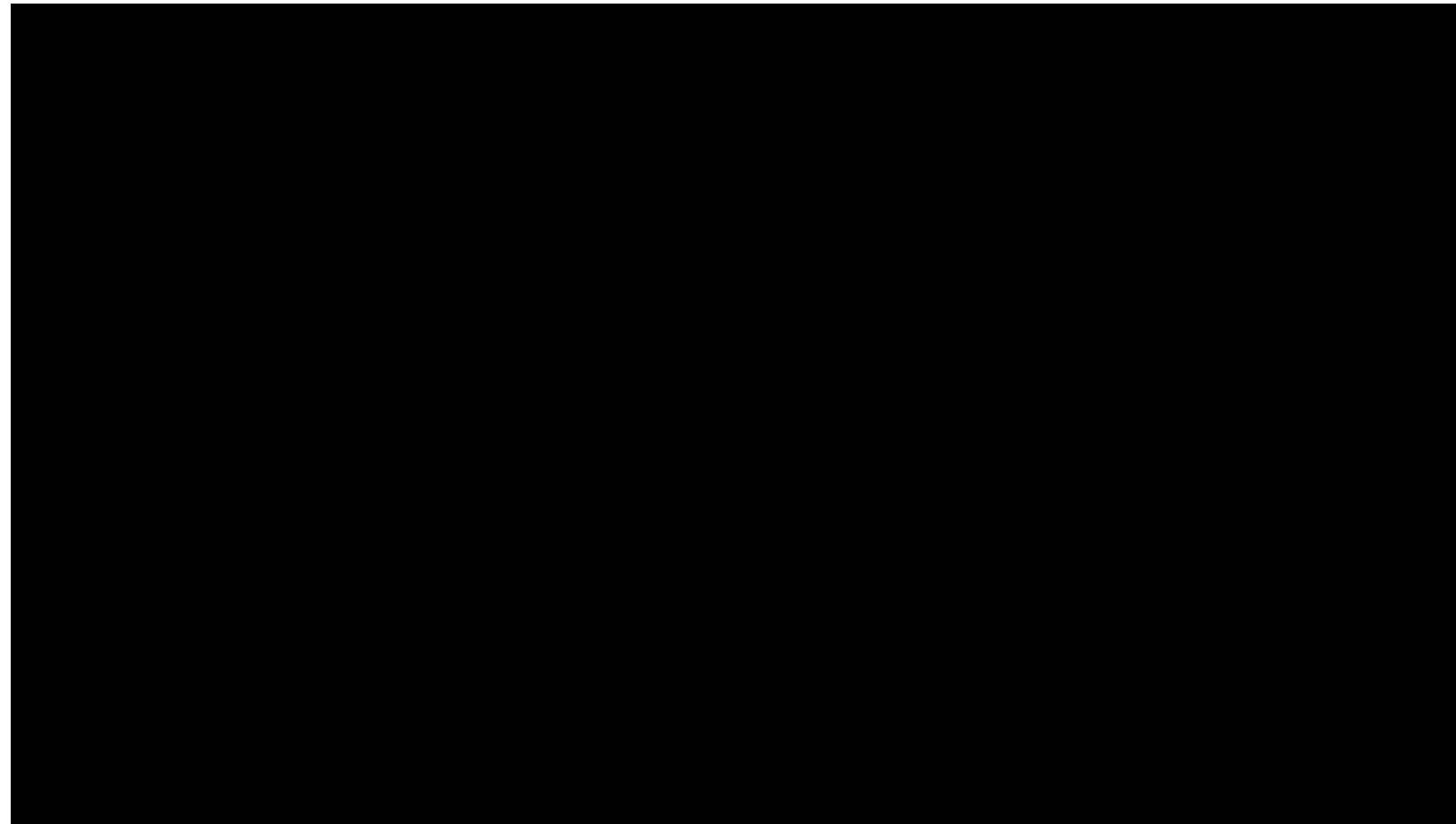


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## tracking system

- novel marker system
- “highly accurate”
- real-time
- costly
- skin deformations
- non-portable



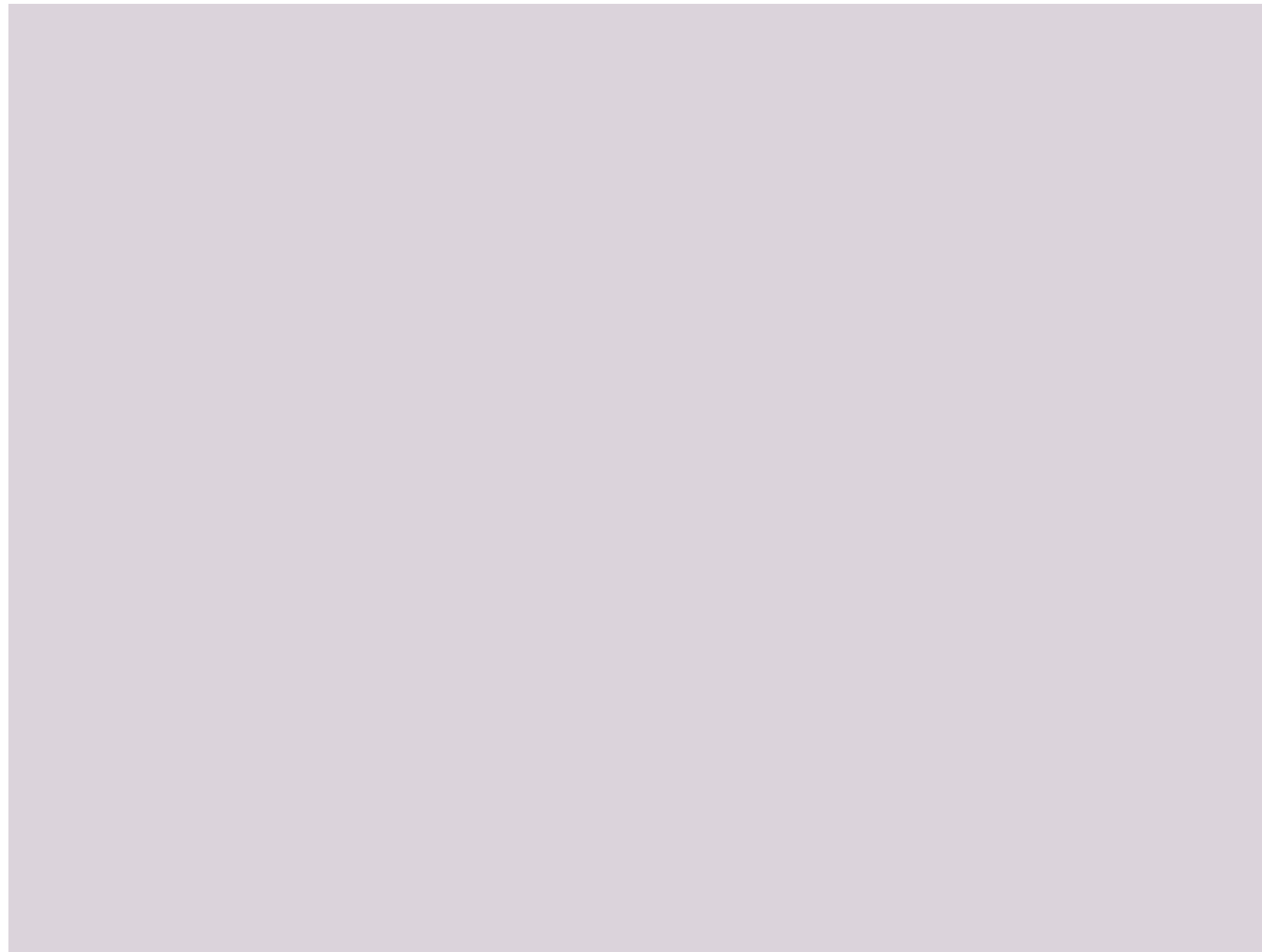
- marker assignment done through unique markers

# 1 kinematics      problem': tracking

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## Kinect

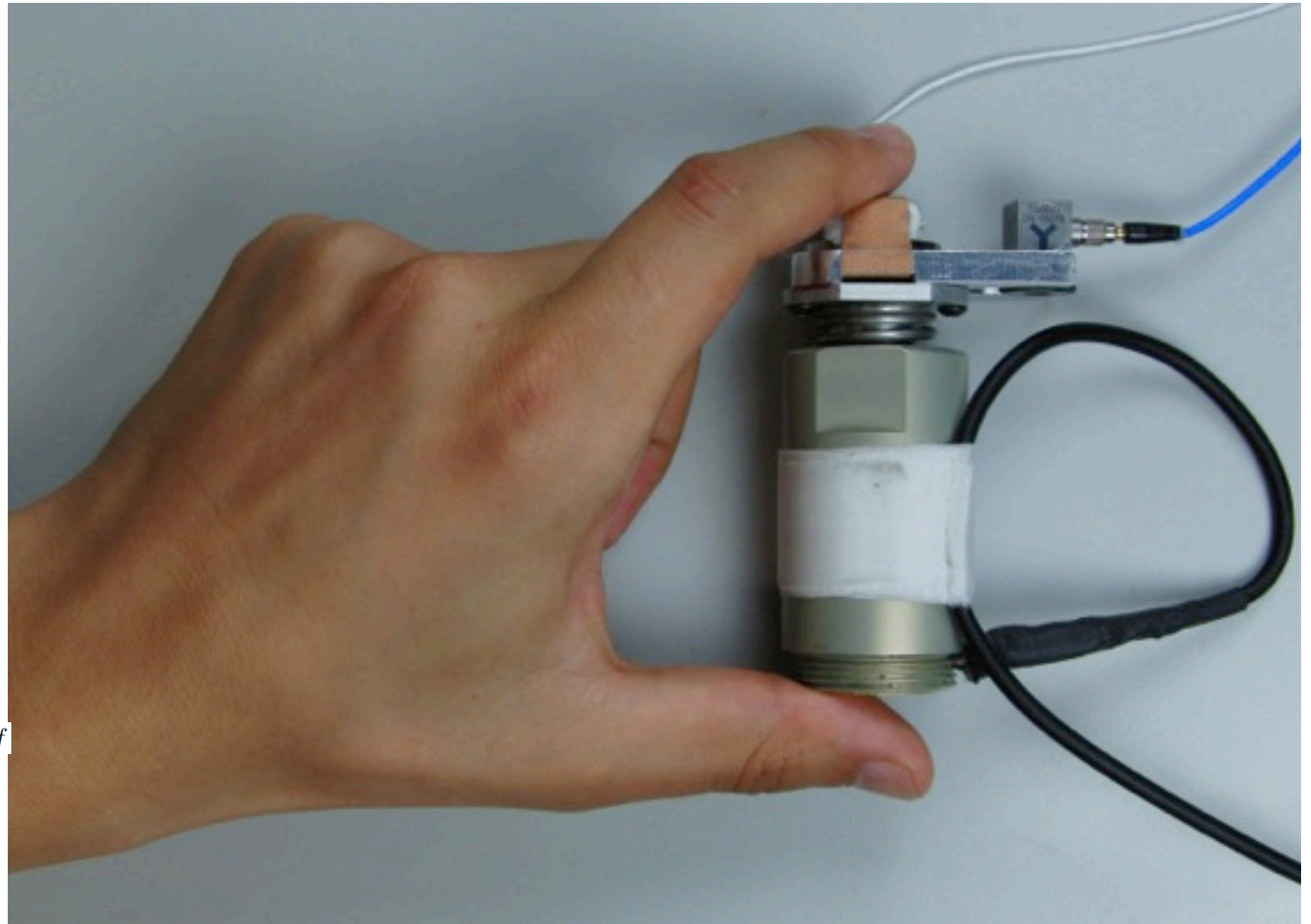
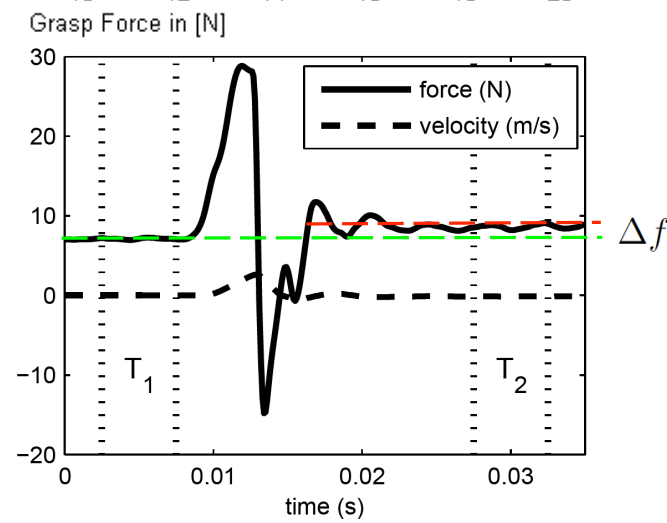
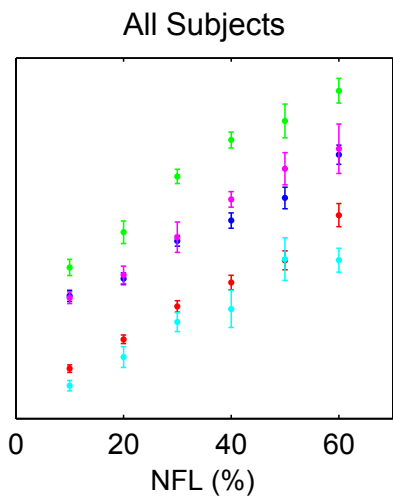
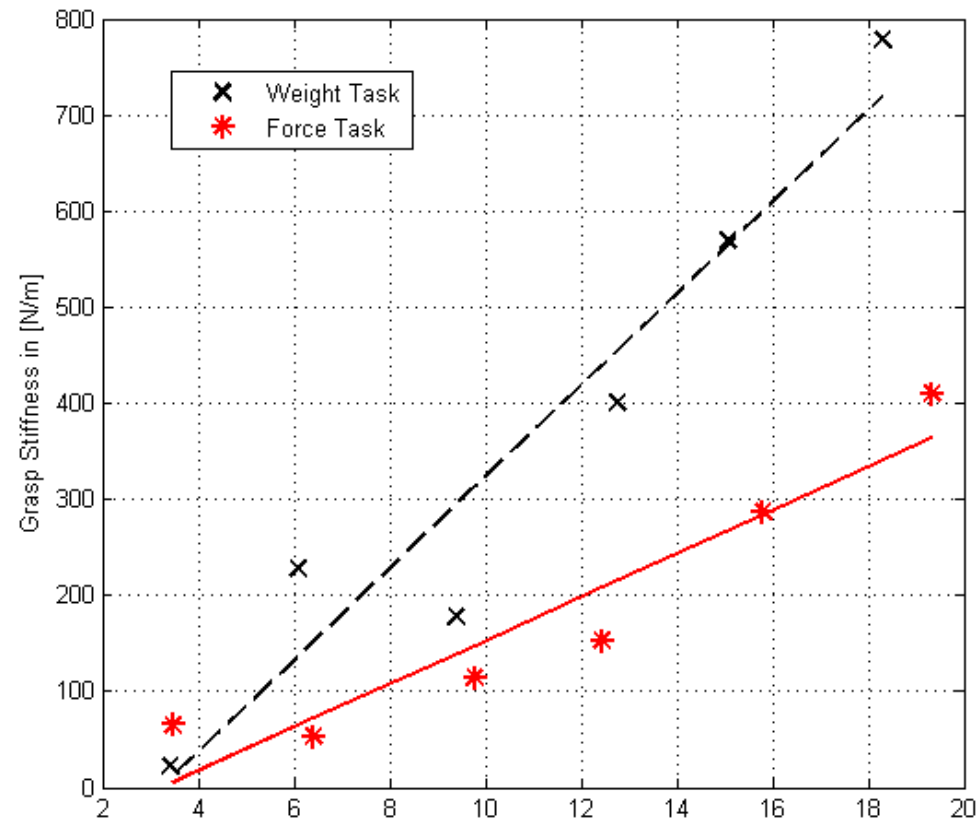
- “marker-free”
- real-time
- portable
- low accuracy



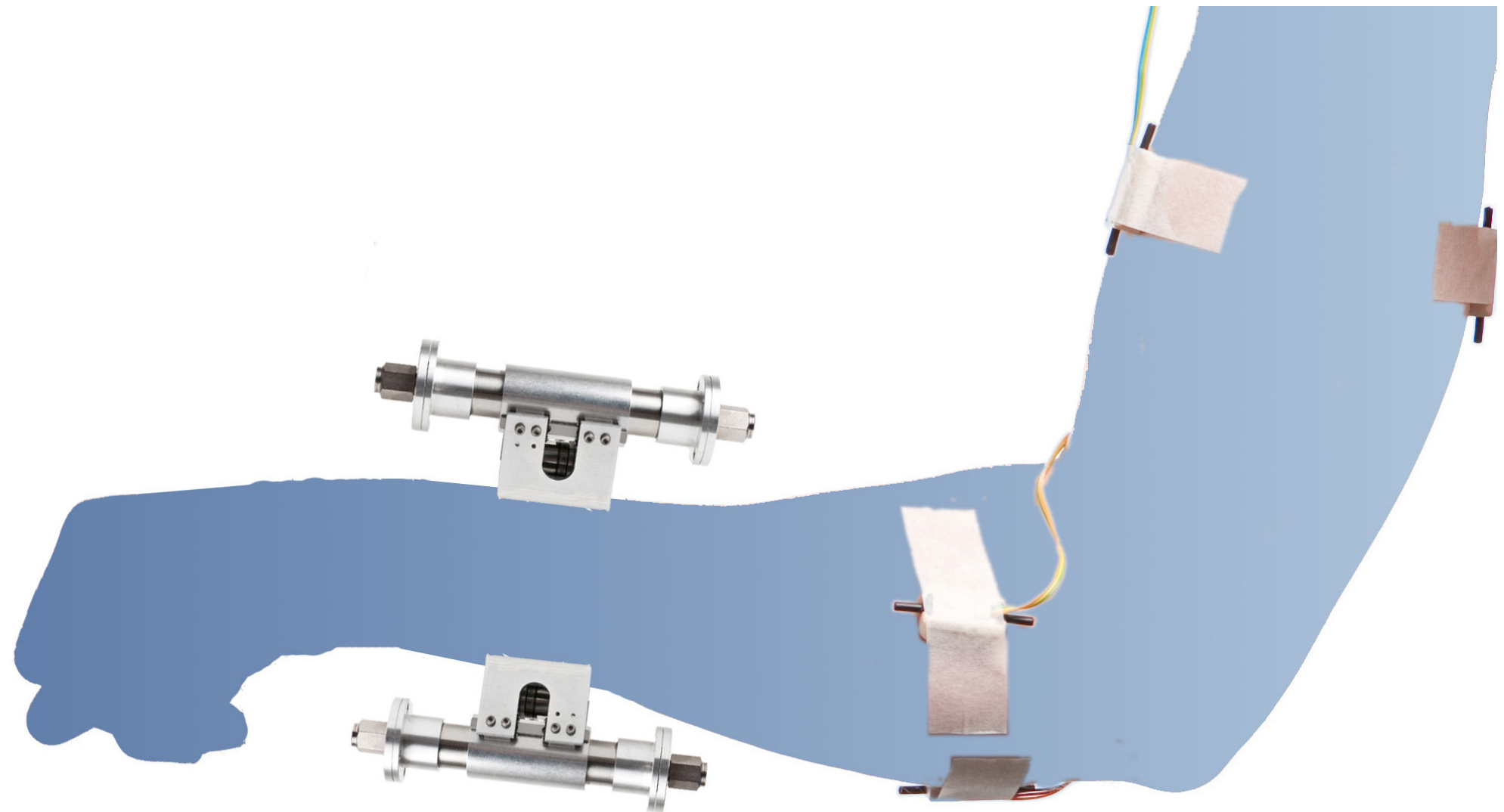
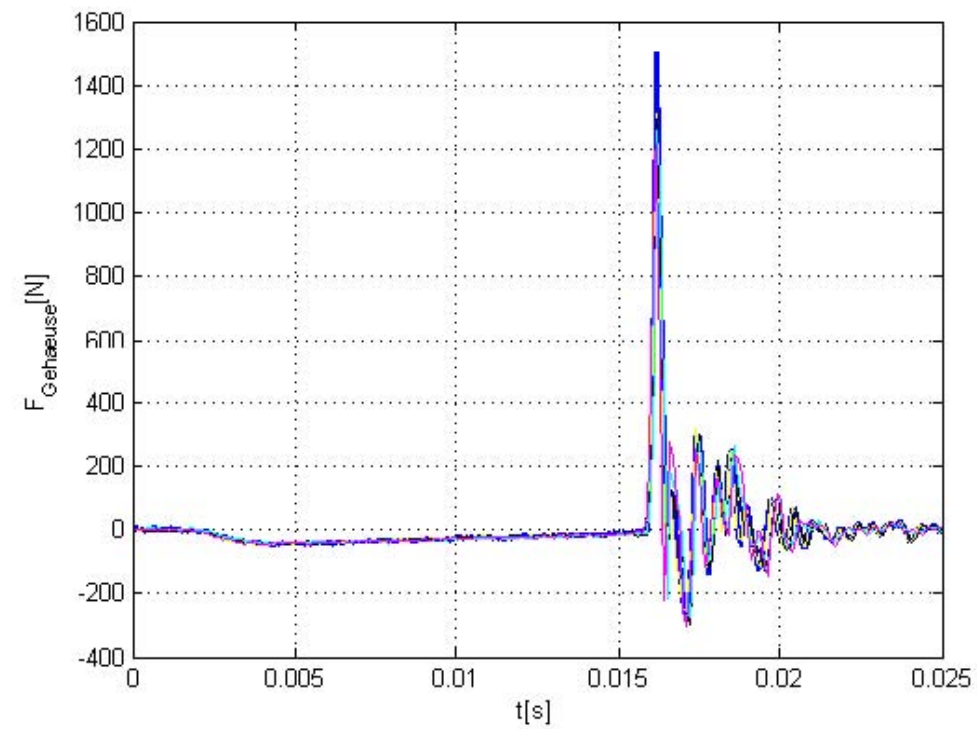
- uses particle filtering to do sequential Bayesian estimation



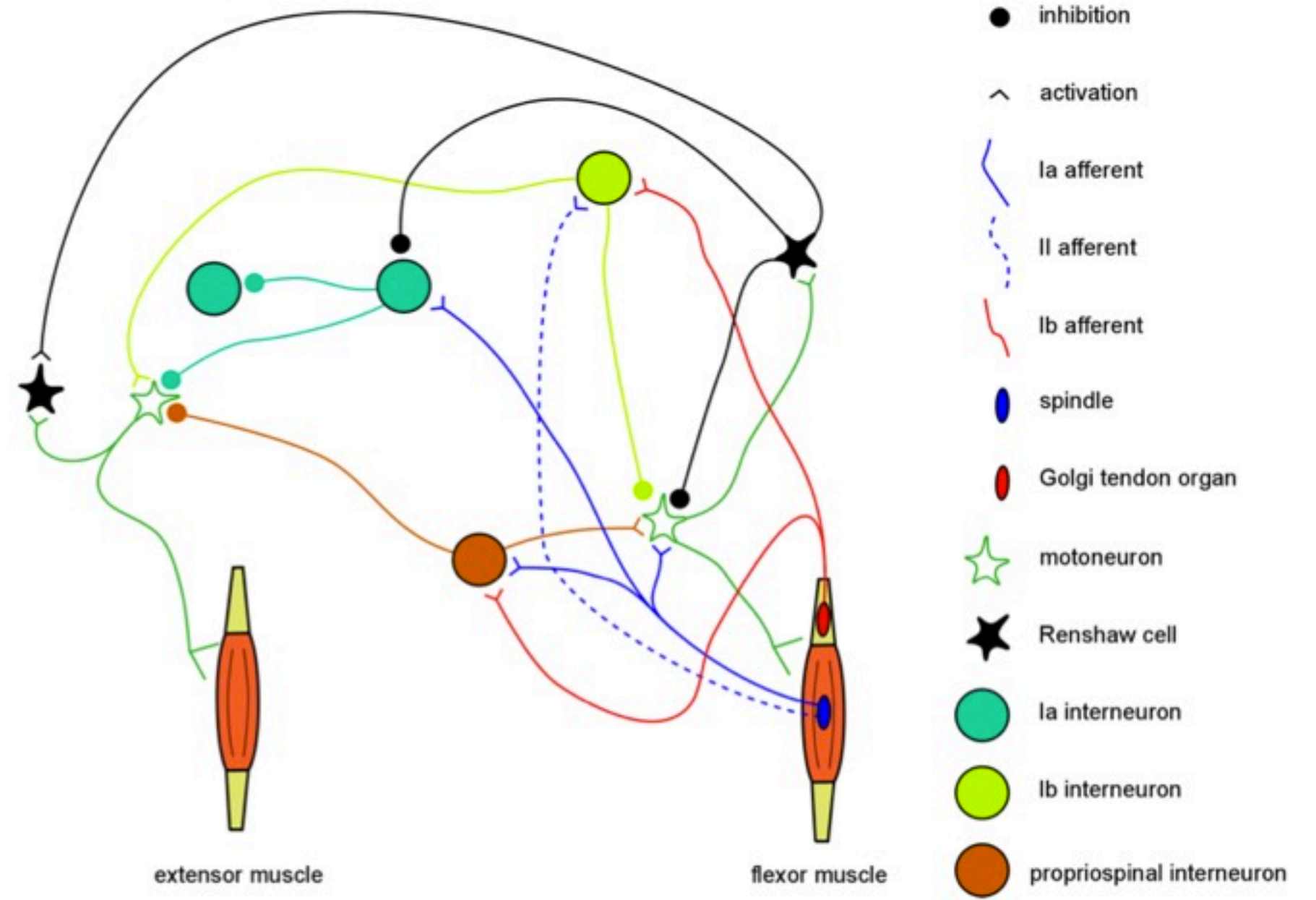
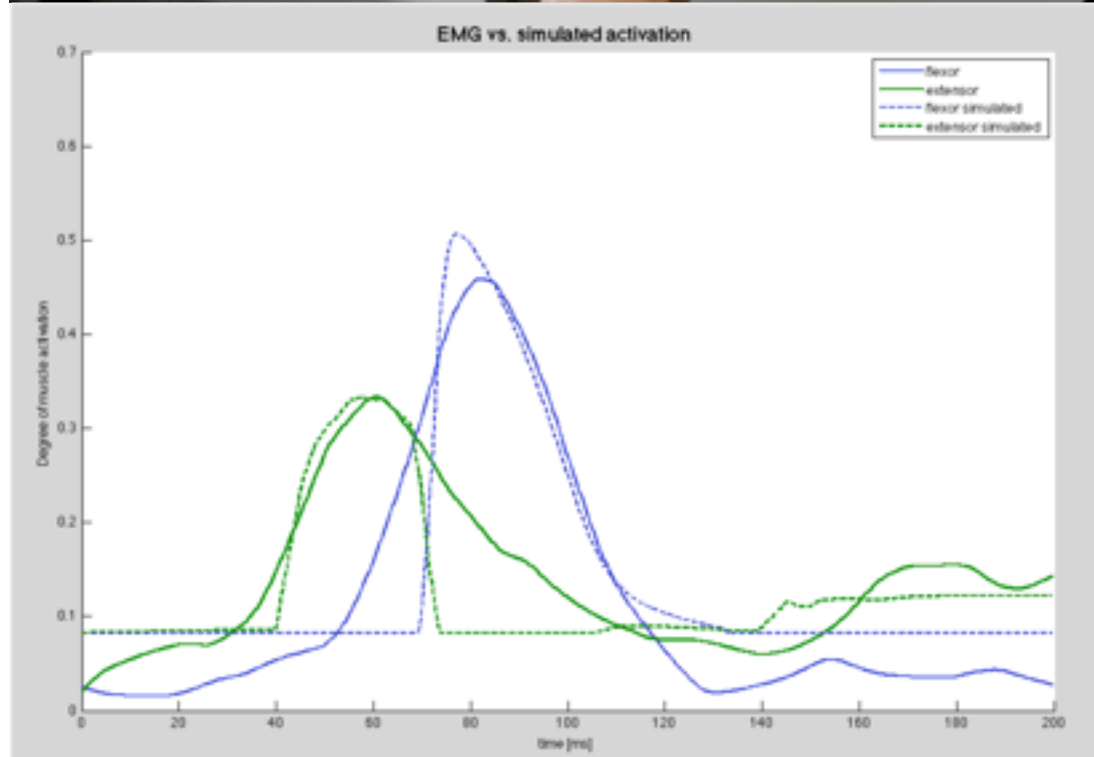
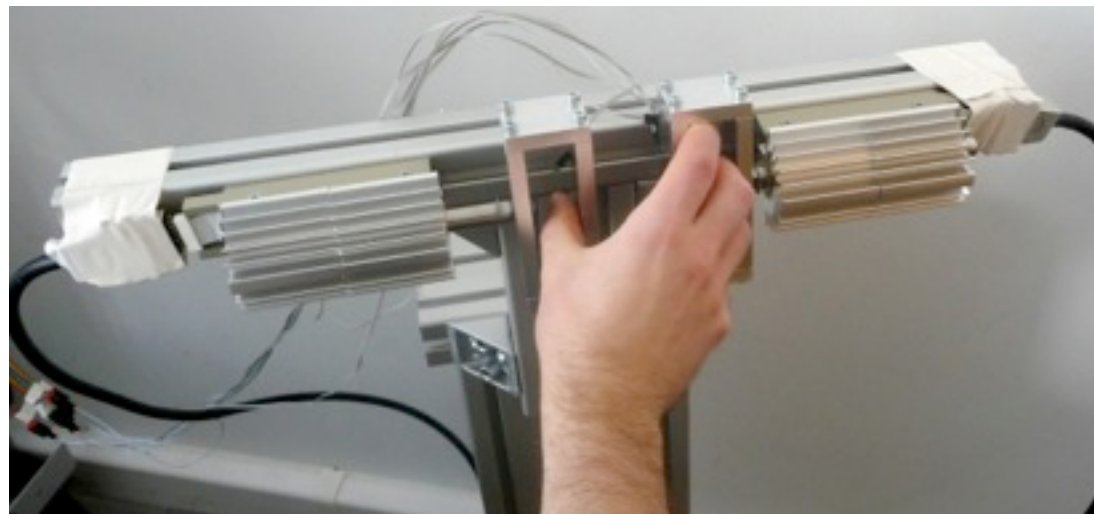
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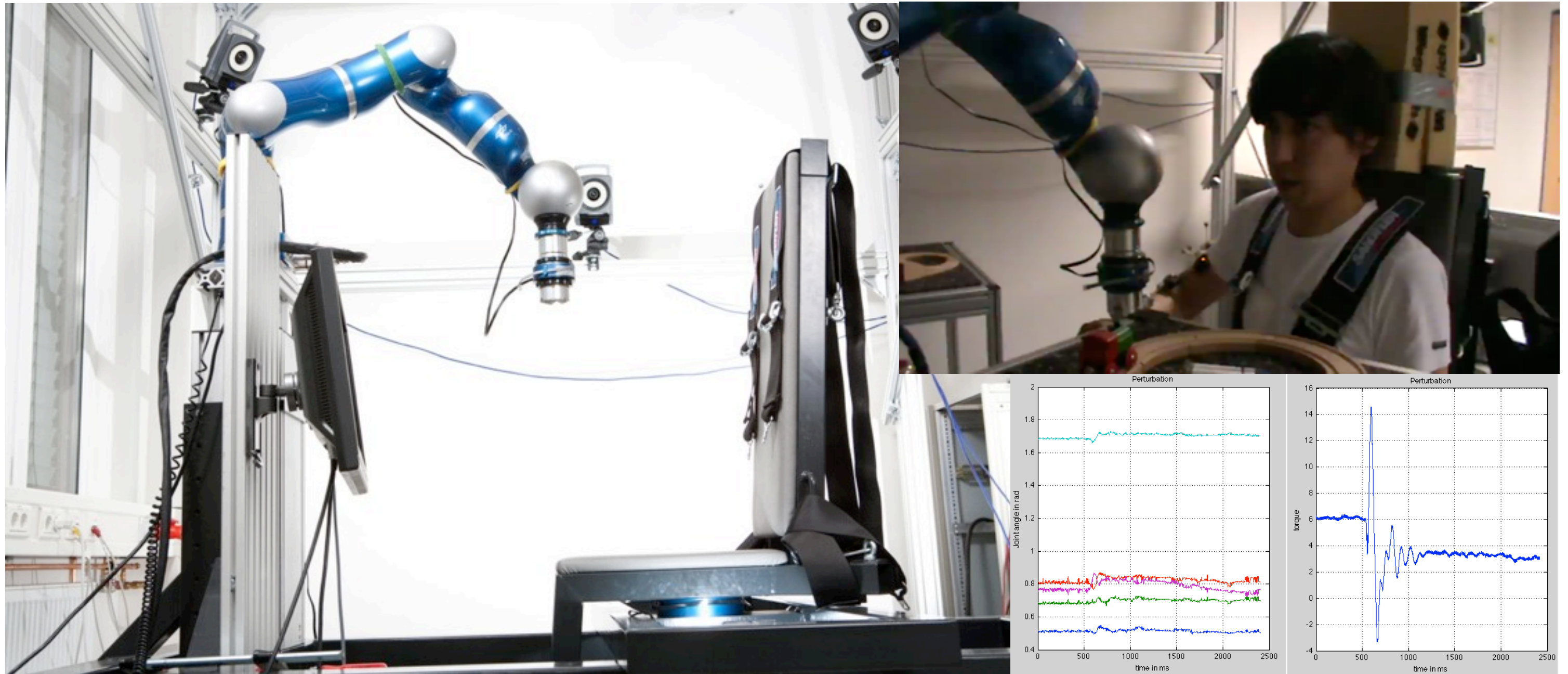


# 3 dynamics controlled stiffness of the human fingers



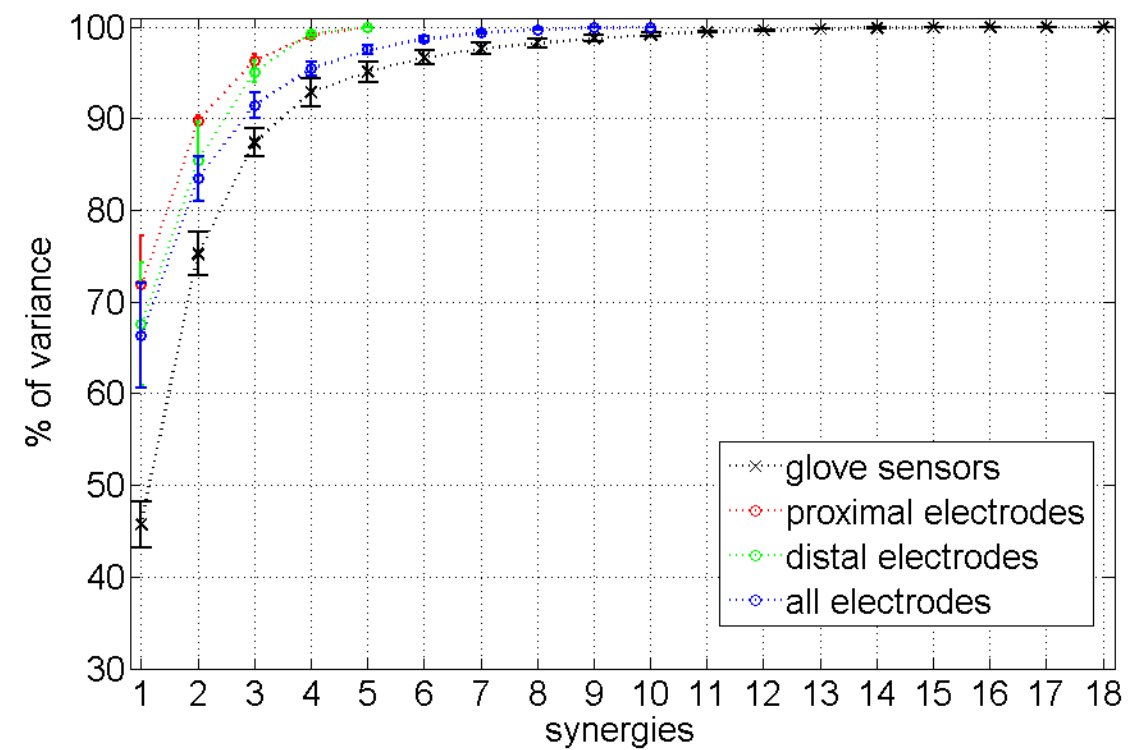
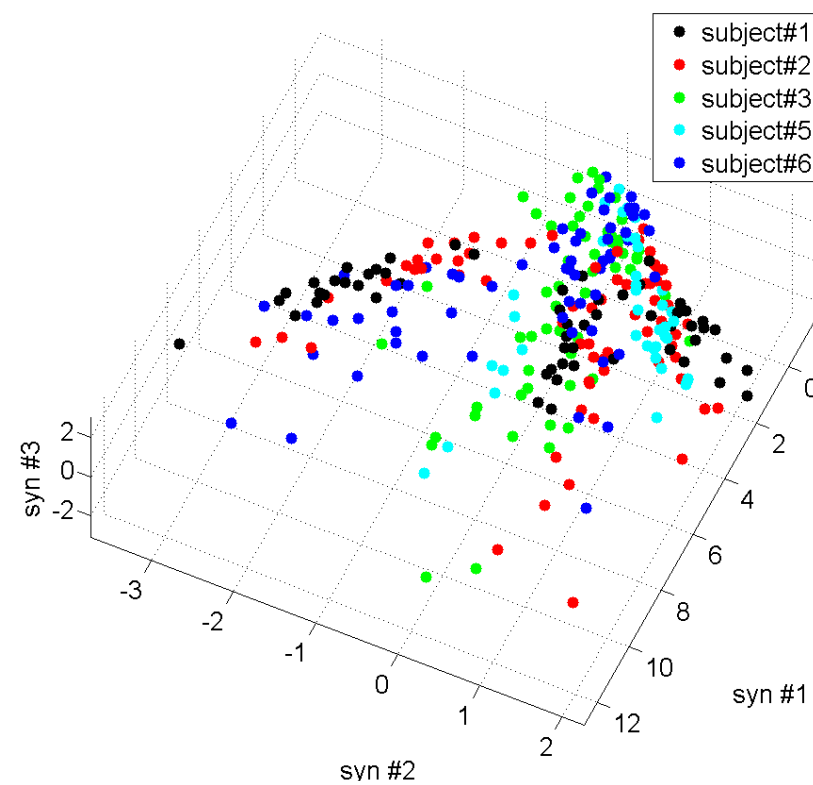
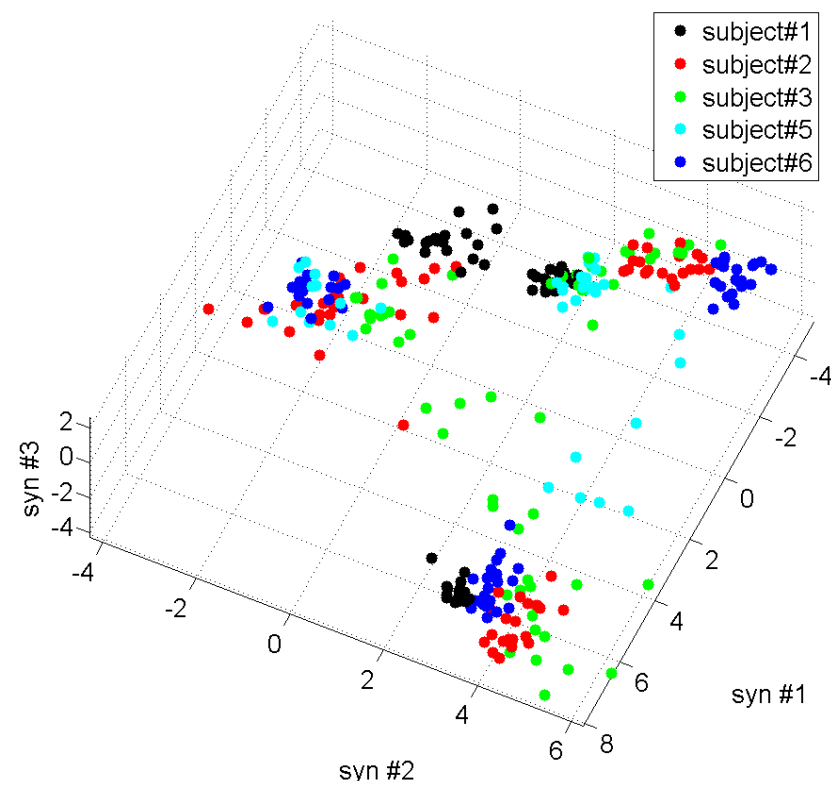


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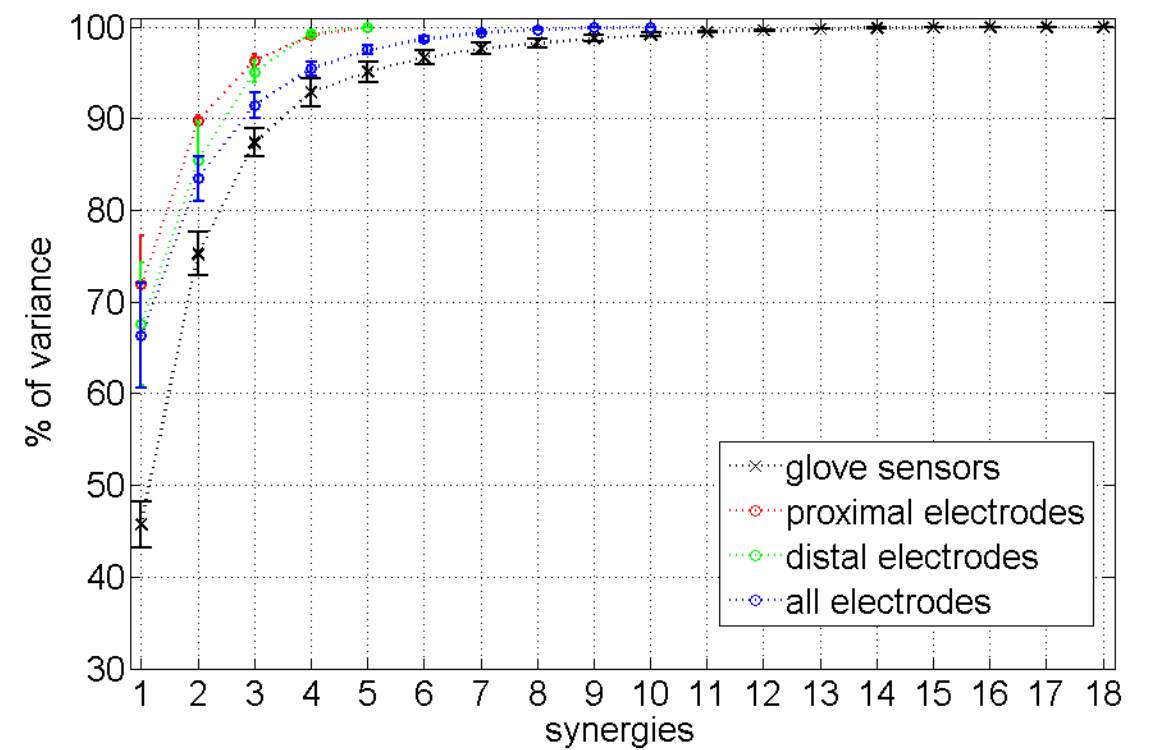
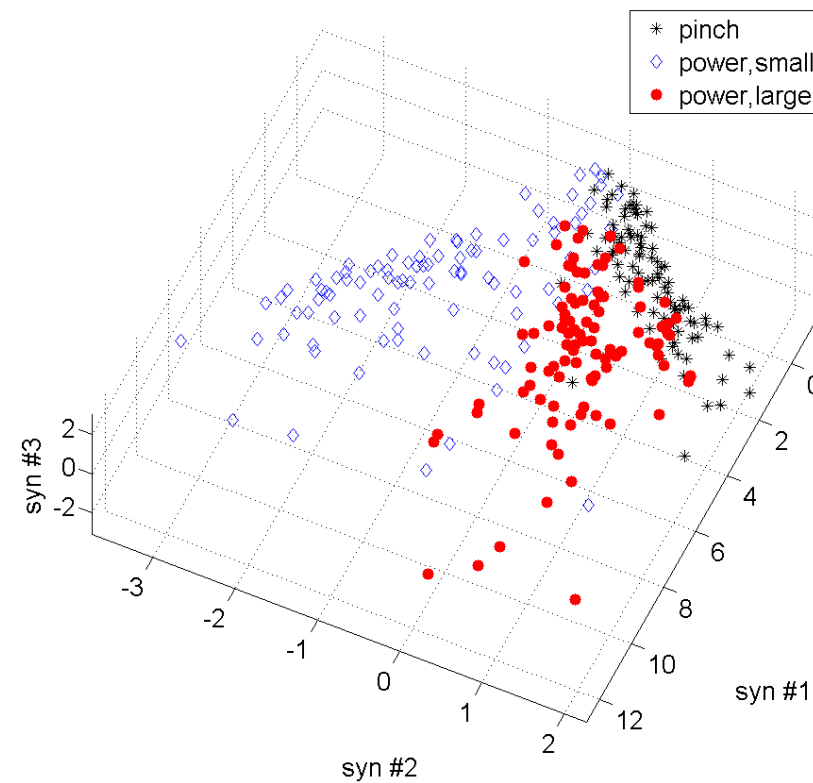
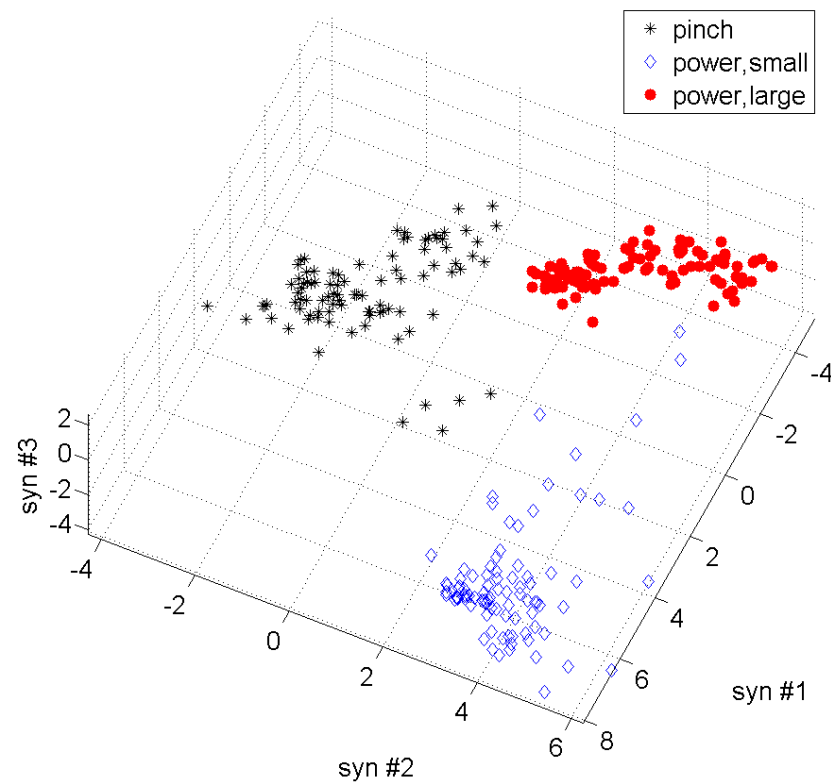
# nature copes by reducing DoF to DoM



- PCA of EMG of all grasps, separated by user



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- PCA of EMG of all users, separated by grasp

# back to intelligent control      fingers

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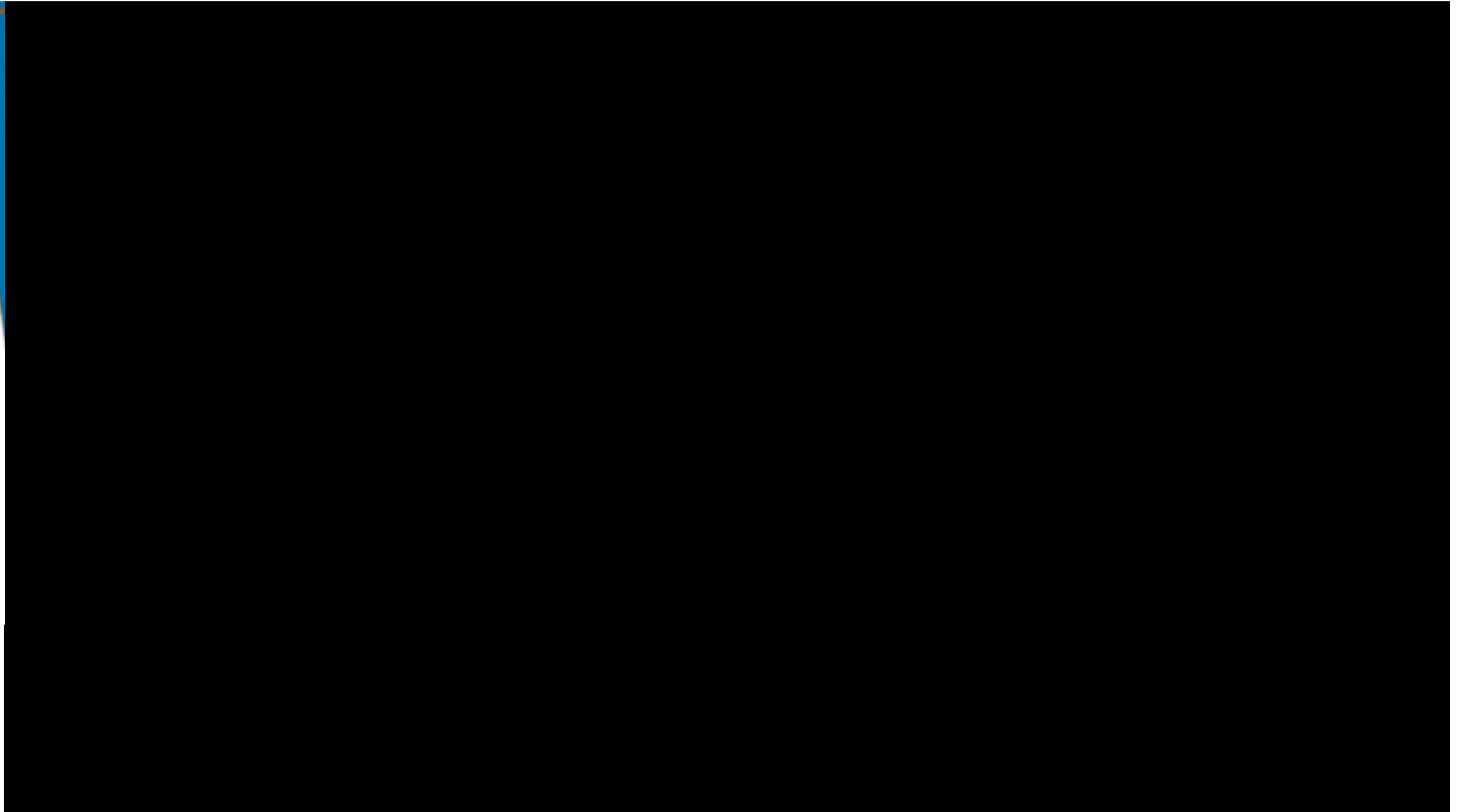
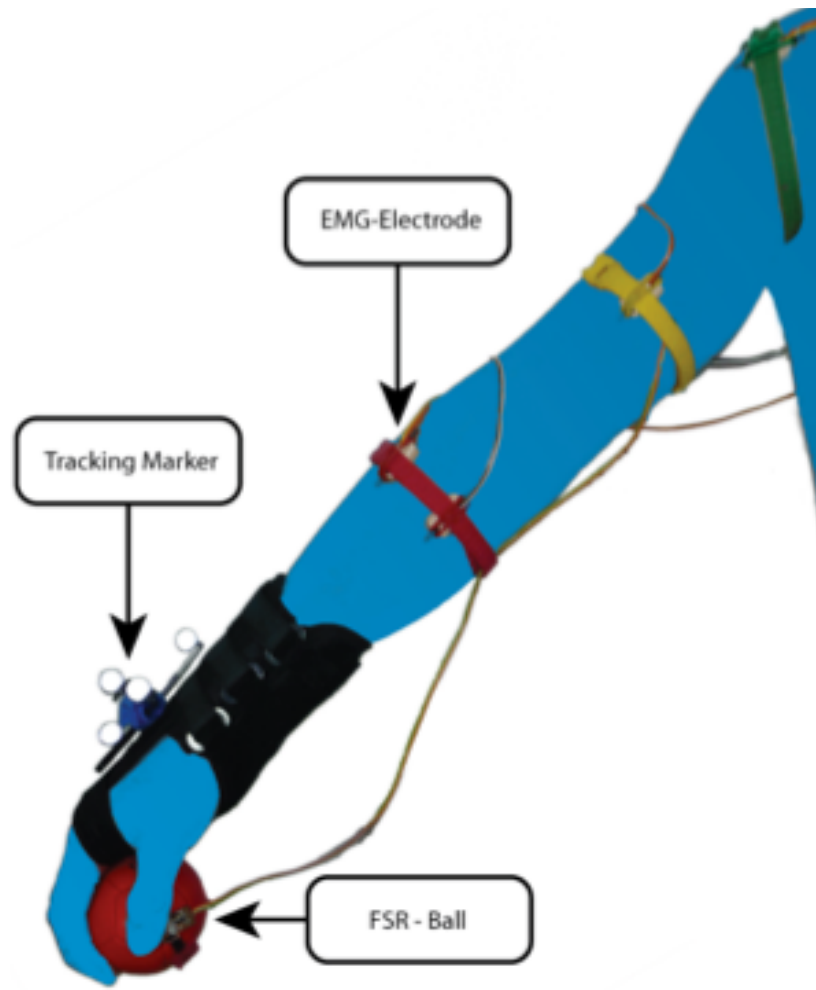


Bitzer & van der Smagt, 2006  
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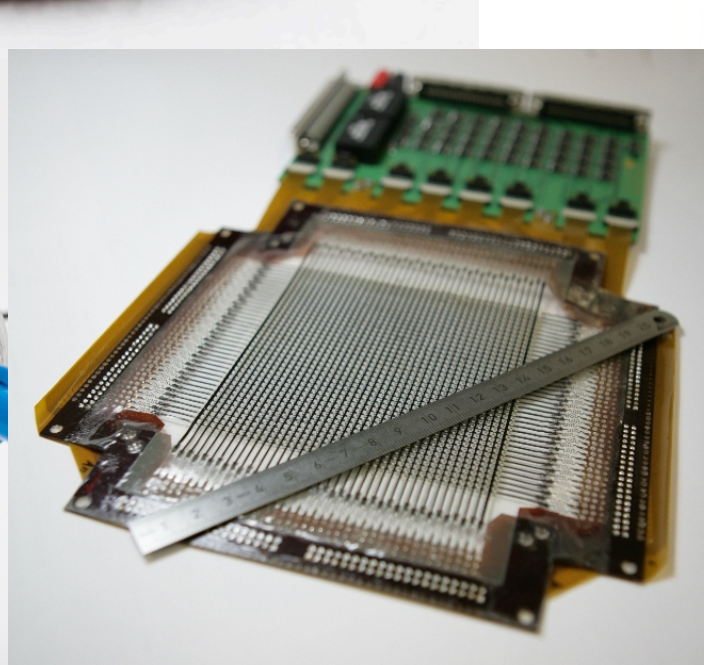
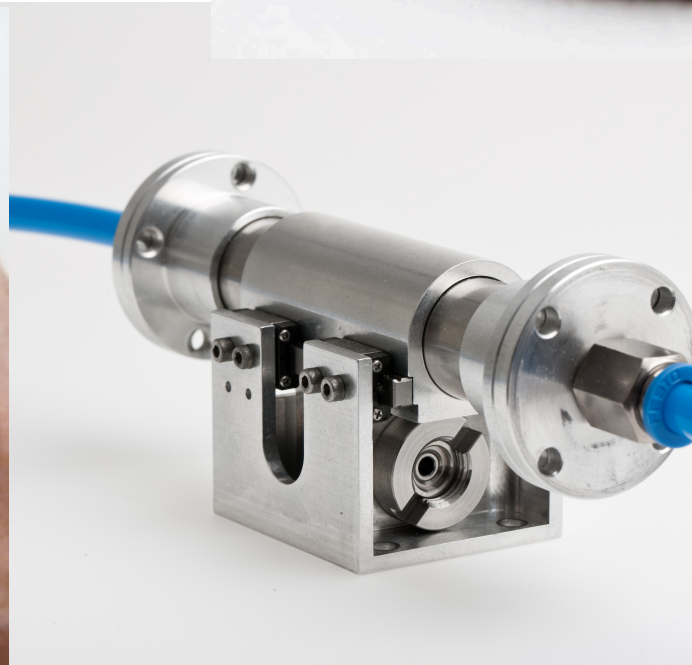
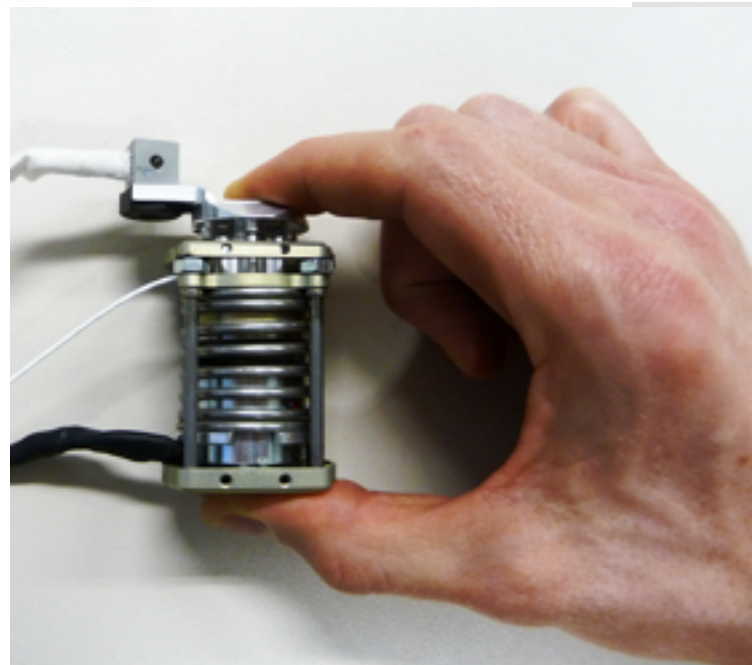
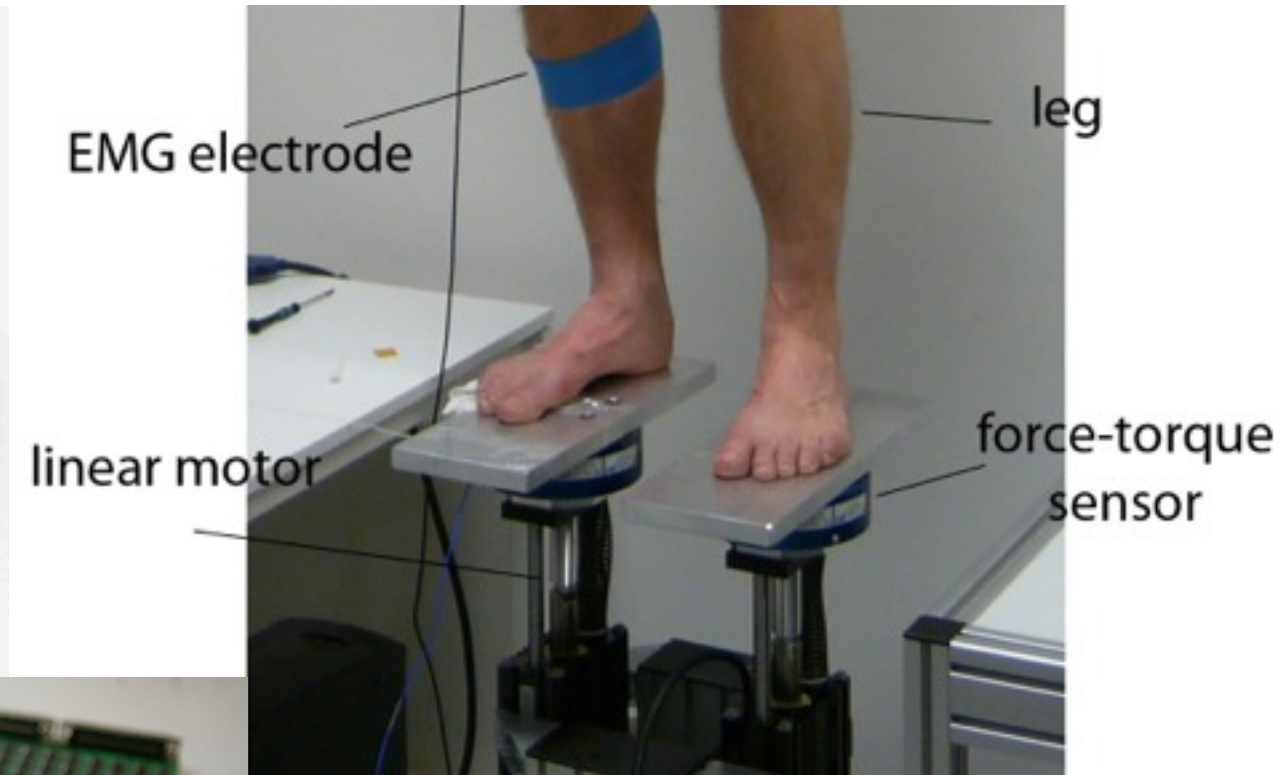
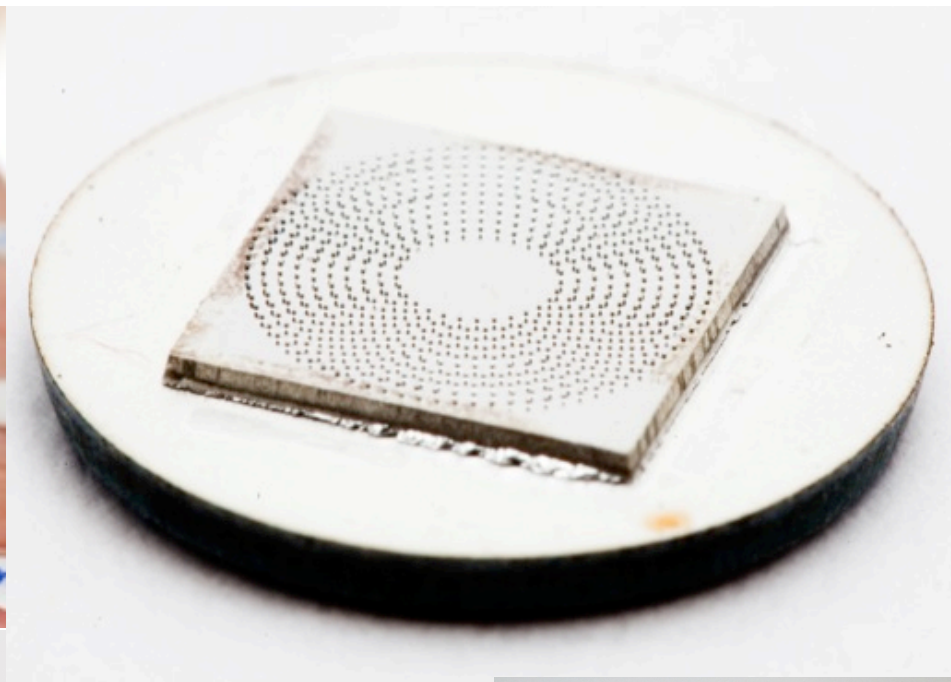


# back to intelligent control arm

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# the technology we built



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