

# Transferring Human Skills to Humanoid Robots

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## Movements

- learning motion
- recognition
- reproduction

## Manipulation

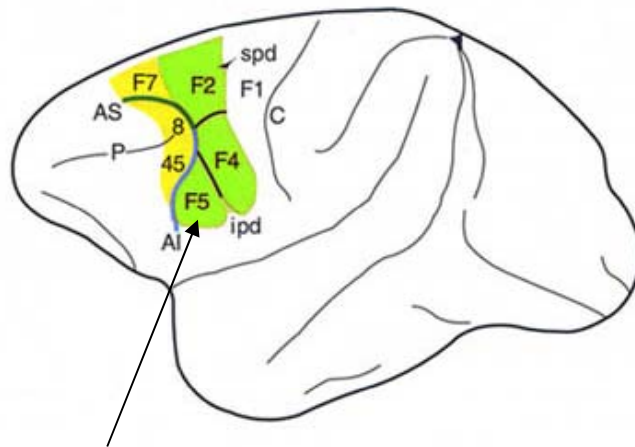
- whole body coordination
- grasping skills
- interaction force control policy

## Physical HRI

- contact establishment
- physical coaching
- haptic assistance in collaboration

# Programming by Demonstration

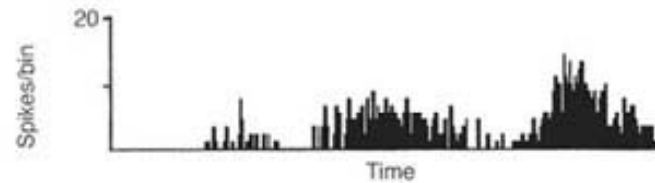
## Mirror Neurons



Monkey Brain: F5

Observing man picking feed

Monkey picking feed



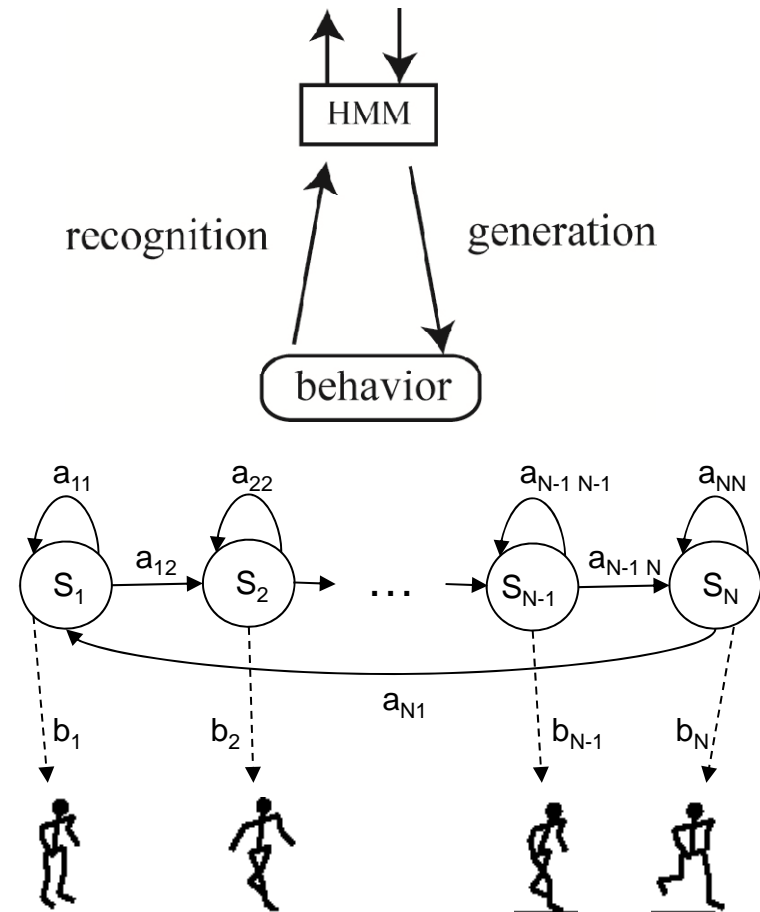
Activities of Mirror Neuron (F5)

[Gallese et al. 1996] [Rizzolatti et al. 1996].

# Programming by Demonstration

## Mathematical formulation of Mirror Neurons

- Mimesis Model
- Probabilistic representation for spatiotemporal data
- Learning, recognition, generation (a bidirectional computational model)
- Mimesis from partial observation  
[Lee and Nakamura IJRR 2010]

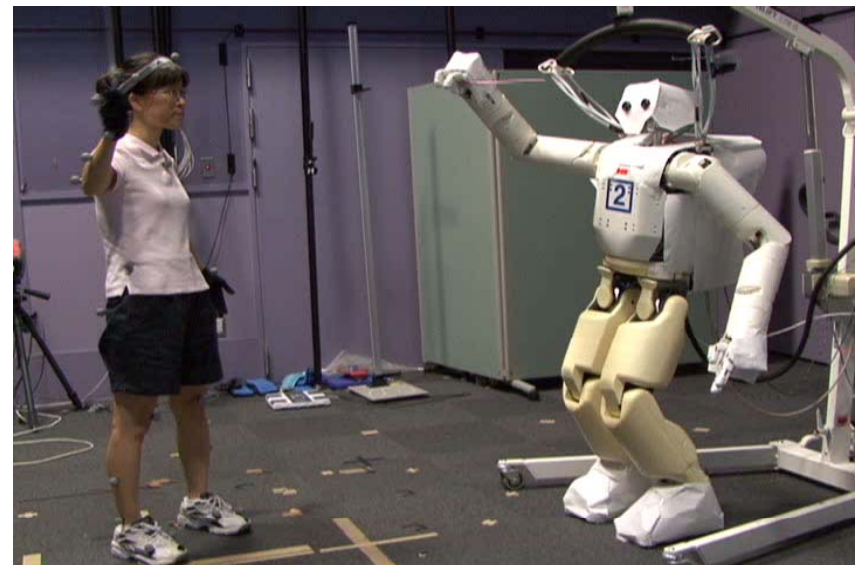


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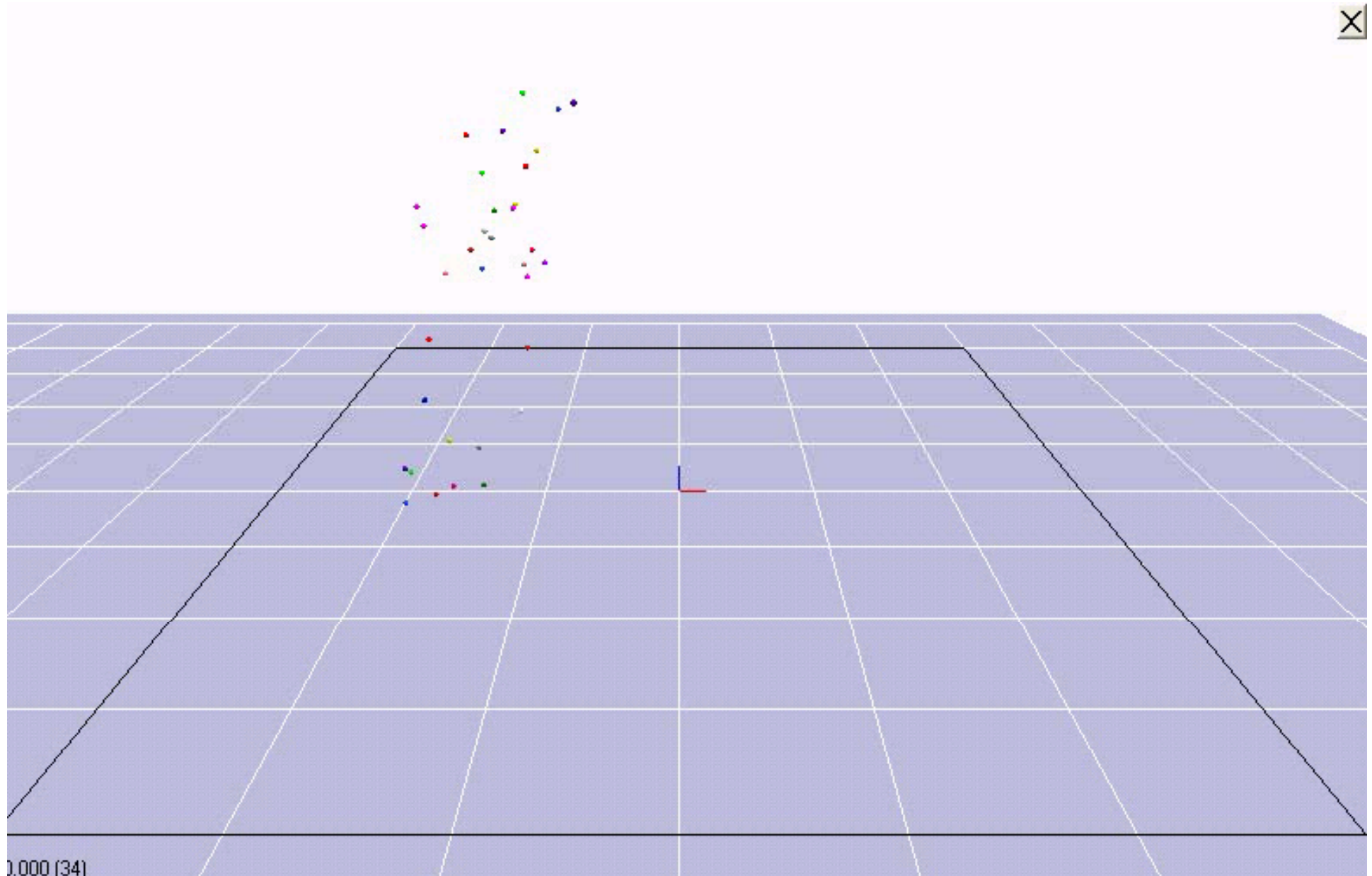
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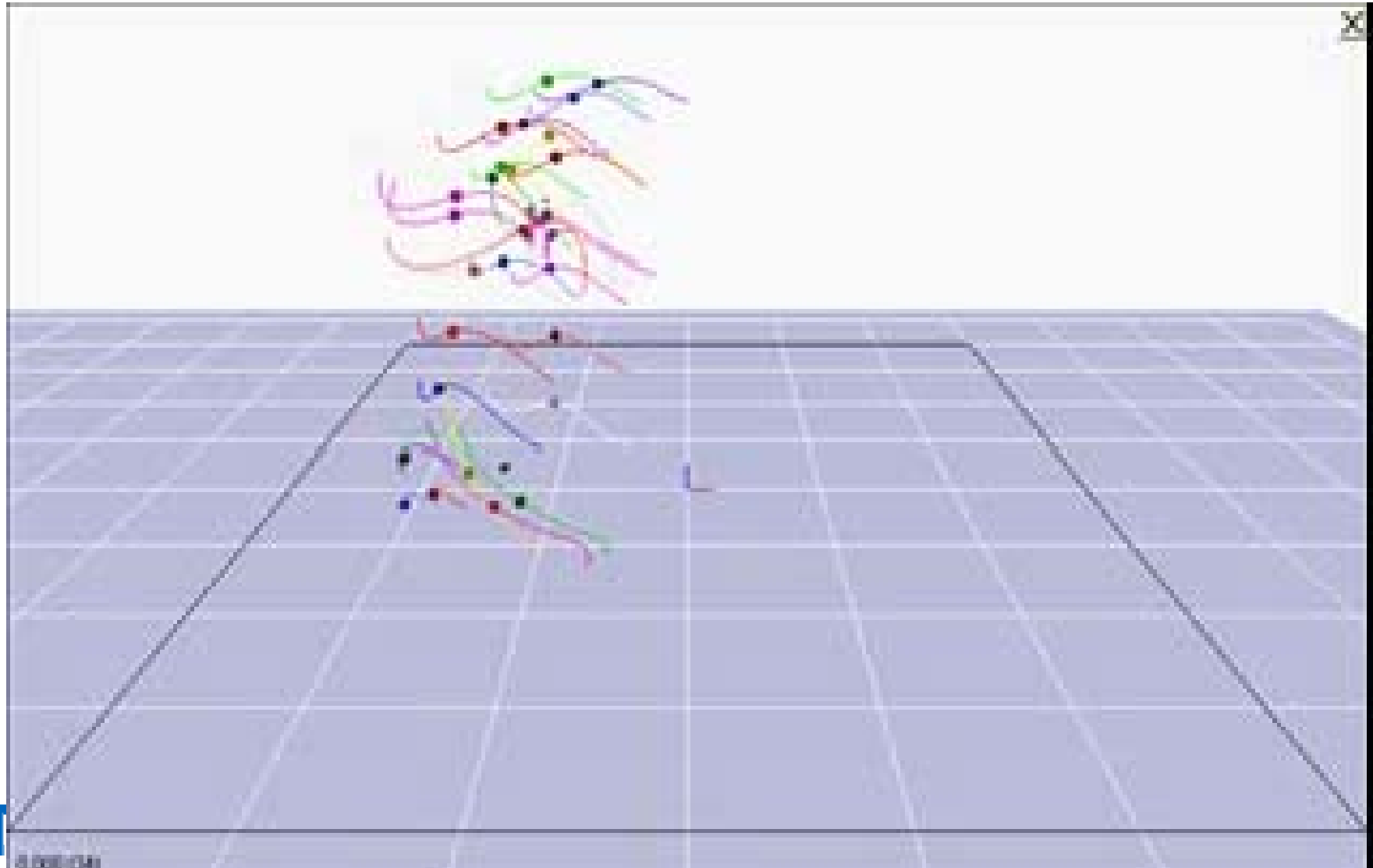
# Motion Reconstruction from Monocular Vision

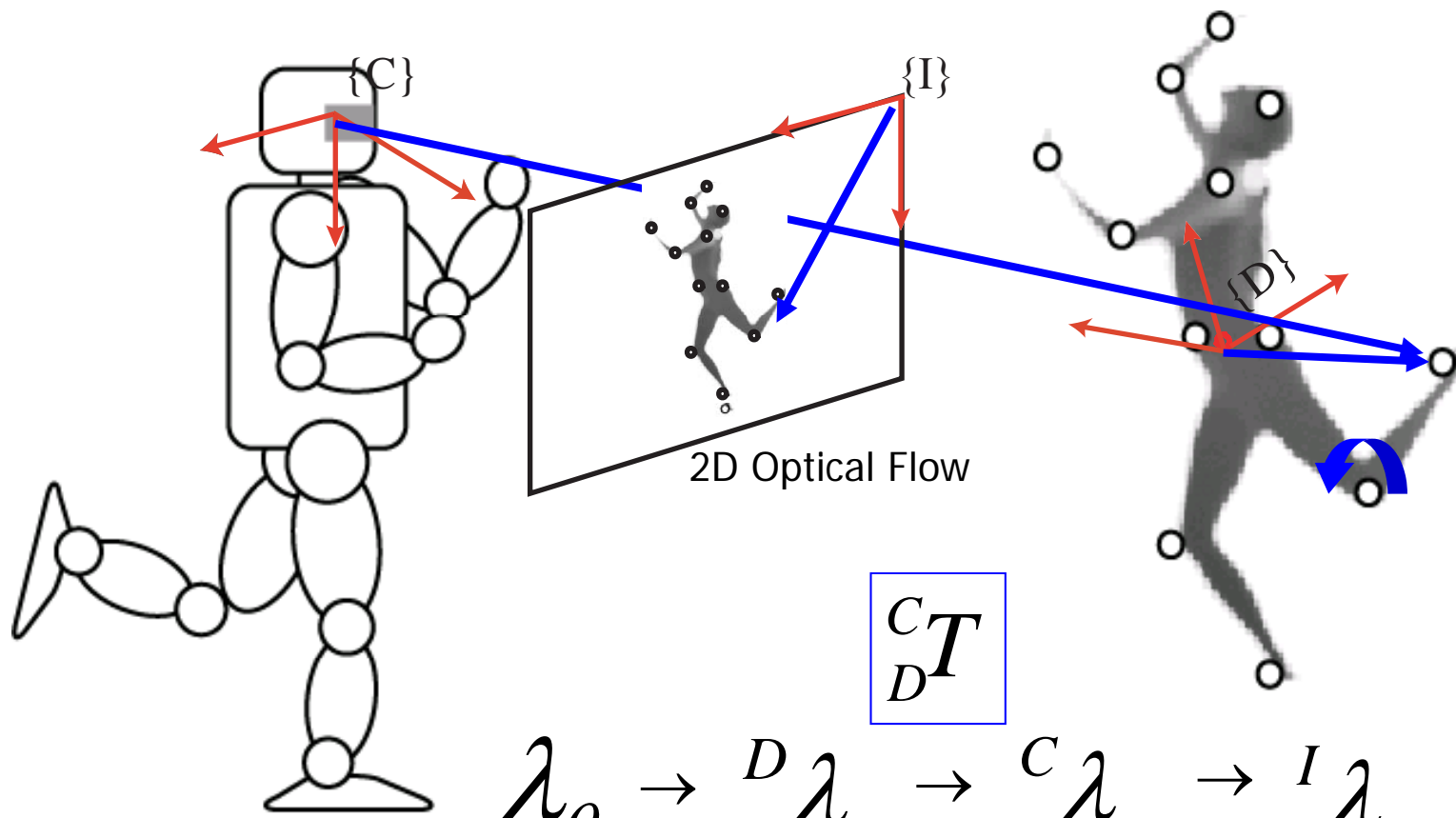


# Recognition from Optical Flow

Biological Movement [Johansson 1975]

→ Aim to recognize and recover the motion from the optical flow of feature points



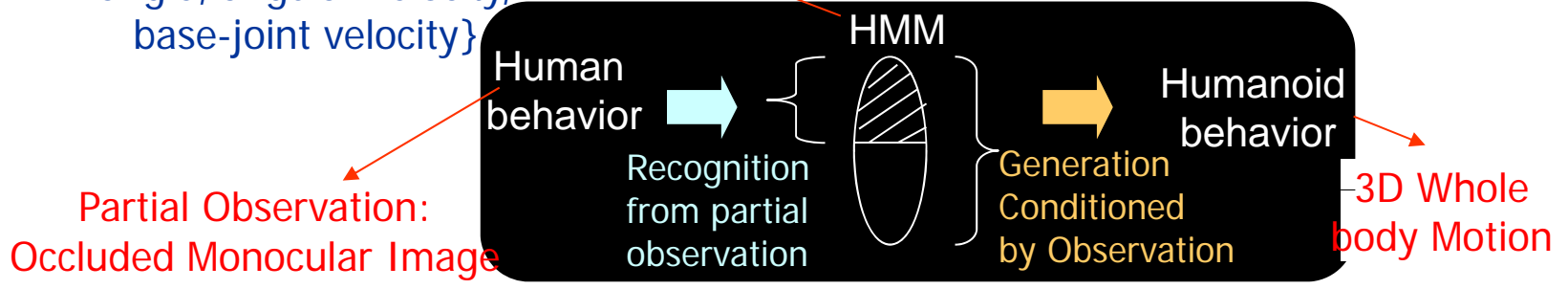


$$\begin{bmatrix} C \\ D^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_\theta \xrightarrow{D} \lambda_x \xrightarrow{C} \lambda_x \xrightarrow{I} \lambda_x$$

Demonstrator Cartesian      Camera Cartesian      Image Cartesian

Motion Primitives  
in Joint Space {Joint  
angle, angular velocity,  
base-joint velocity}



Partial Observation:  
Occluded Monocular Image

3D Whole  
body Motion



# Motion Recostruction from Monocular Vision

[Lee and Nakamura IROS 2007]

## Human perception of biological movements

- Activity recognition
  - 6 motions
- Motion Capturing 56DOF



magenta : True Model  
blue: Recovered Model



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# Grasping Skill Learning from Motion and Force Data



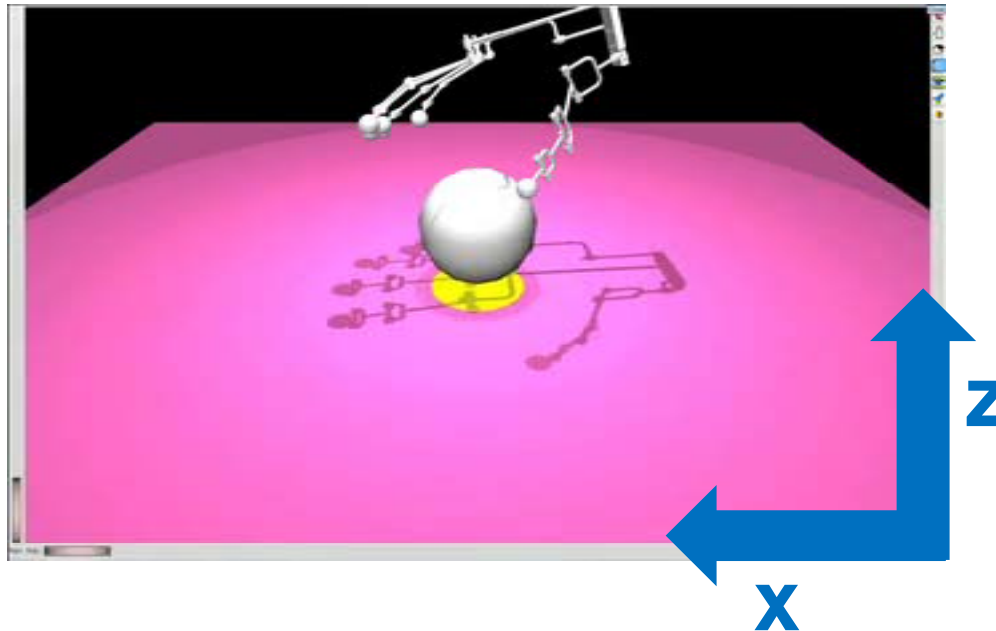
- Learning grasping skills from motion and force patterns
- Teleoperation using Cyberglove, Flock of Birds, & Cybergrasp (Haptic Feedback)

# Grasping Skill Reproduction

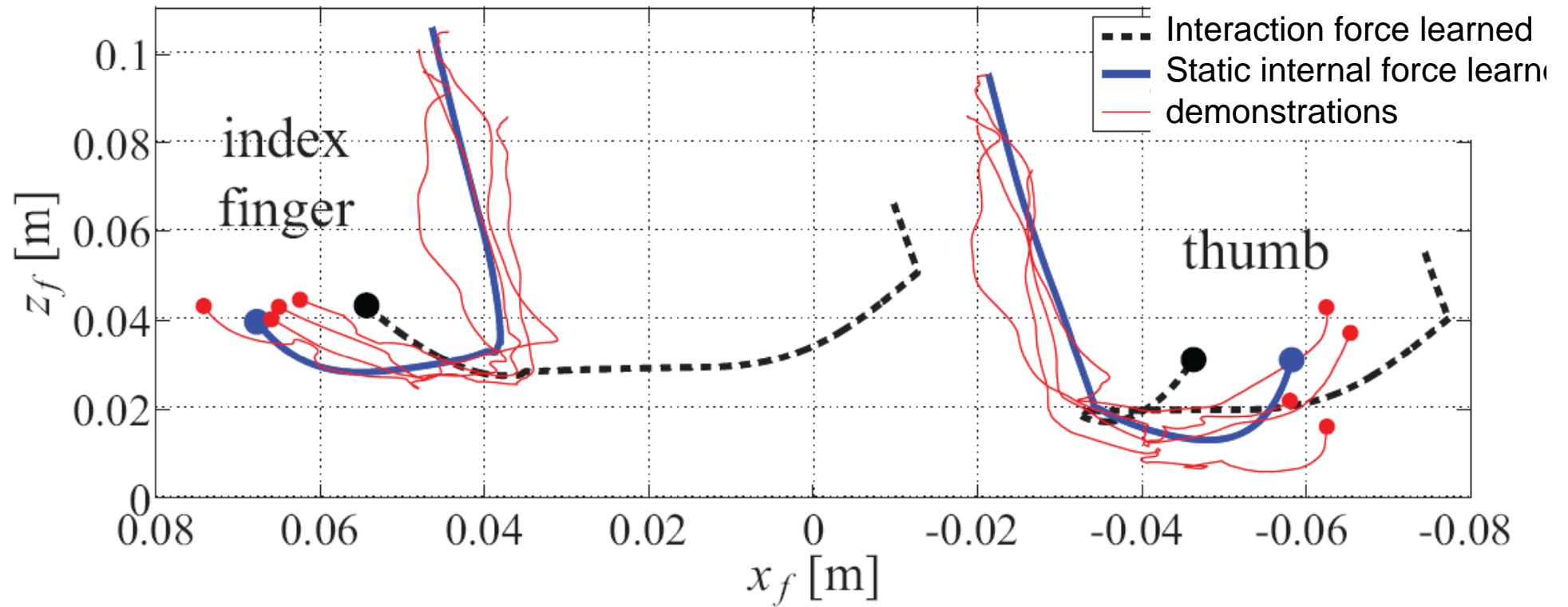
- Parallel position (PD) and force (PI) control

$$M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) = \tau - J^T f$$

$$\tau = k_p e_p + k_d \dot{e}_p + J^T \left\{ f_d + k_f \int e_f dt \right\}$$



# Learning Interaction vs. Internal Forces

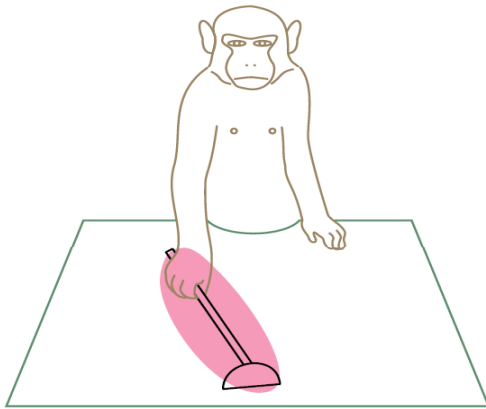


# Generalization Capability: Radius

$r$ [cm]	$\max(f^{in})$ [N]		$\bar{f}^{in}$ [N]		$\Delta T$ [ms]	
3.6	3.21	-*	3.20	-*	28	-*
<b>4.0</b>	<b>3.21</b>	<b>5.41</b>	<b>3.20</b>	<b>5.10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>209</b>
4.8	3.21	7.12	3.20	7.04	39	371
5.6	3.21	12.92	3.20	12.84	88	531
6.0	3.21	-*	3.20	-*	106	-*
Force control	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	OFF

\* unsuccessful grasping attempt

# Transferring other manipulation skills



- Mechanism for Association of Whole Body Motion from Tool Knowledge
  - Tool in Body Schema [Maravita and Iriki 2004]
  - e.g. Distal-type neurons
  - [Lee et al IROS2008] [Kunori, Lee, Nakamura IROS2009]



- Learning interaction control policies
  - Dynamic movement primitives for parallel position and force control
  - Deformable objects, sculpting tasks
  - [Koropouli, Lee, Hirche, 2011 IROS]

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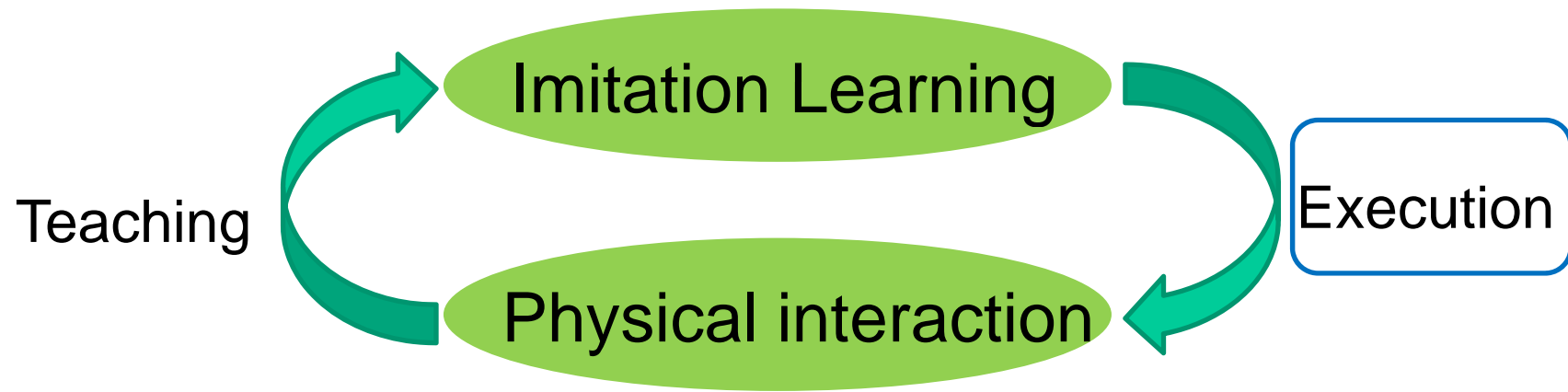


# Simple Human Robot Interaction

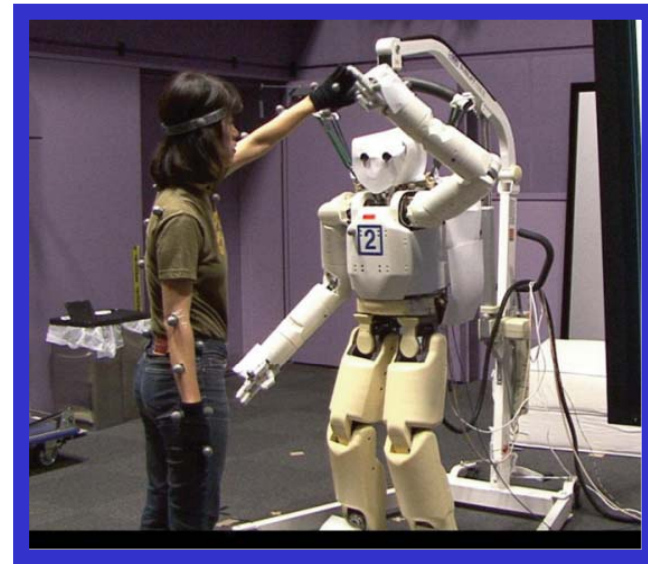


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Collaboration with Dr. Ott, Dr. Albu Schaeffer, Haddadin, DLR



**Mimetic Communication**  
[Lee et al IJRR 2010]



# Motivation: Motion → Interaction



From the Movie "Terminator 2 Judgment Day"

Issues for pHRI:

- ✓ Human motion **imitation** → Marker Control
- ✓ Learn/Recognize/Generate **Motion Primitives** → Mimesis Model
- ✓ Learn/Recognize/Generate **Interaction Rules** → Mimetic Communication Model
- ✓ **Contact** transition → Real-time motion adaptation
- ✓ Application : High-Five like interaction

# Motion Imitation by Marker Control

Dynamics of the humanoid's upper body on a free-floating base body:

$$M(q) \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{q} \\ \ddot{x} \end{pmatrix} + C(q, \dot{q}, \dot{x}) \begin{pmatrix} \dot{q} \\ \dot{x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tau \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

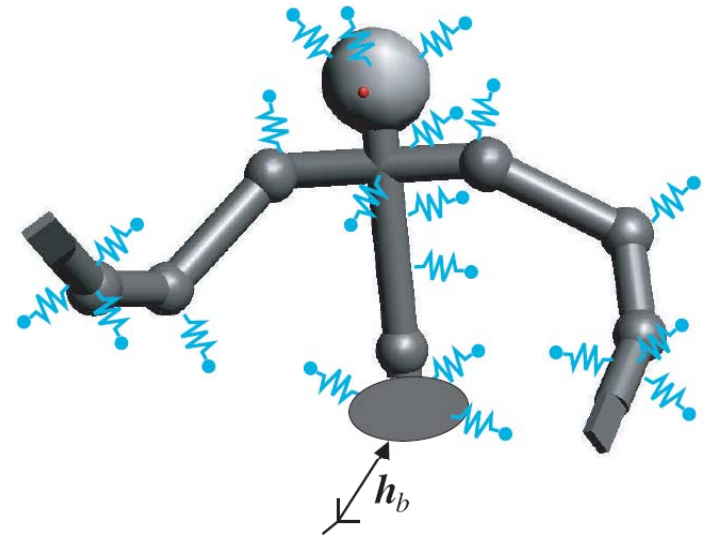
Virtual Springs:

$$V_i(q, x) = \frac{1}{2} k_i \|r_{d,i} - r_i(q, x)\|^2$$

Measured marker position

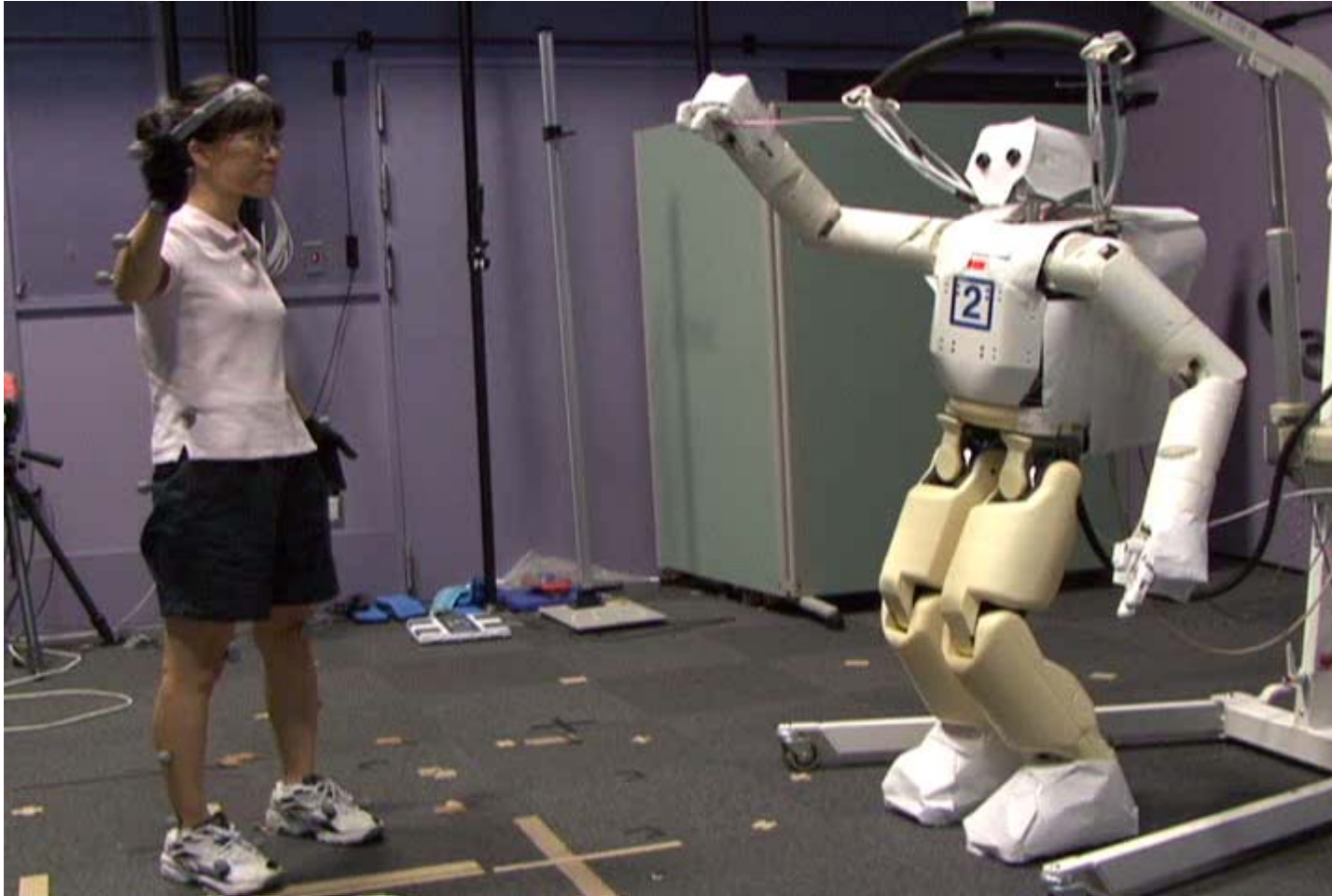
Marker pos. of the simulation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tau \\ f \end{pmatrix} = -D(q) \begin{pmatrix} \dot{q} \\ \dot{x} \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{\forall i \in M} k_i J_i^T(q) (r_{d,i} - r_i(q, x))$$



# Motion Imitation by Marker Control

- Upper body Control: Marker trajectory following
- Lower body Control: Balancing, Hip orientation and Height following



[Ott, Lee, Nakamura, "Motion Capture based Human Motion Recognition and Imitation by Direct Marker Control", Humanoids 2008]

# Full Body Motion Imitation

Prediction-based Synchronized Human  
Motion Imitation by a Humanoid Robot

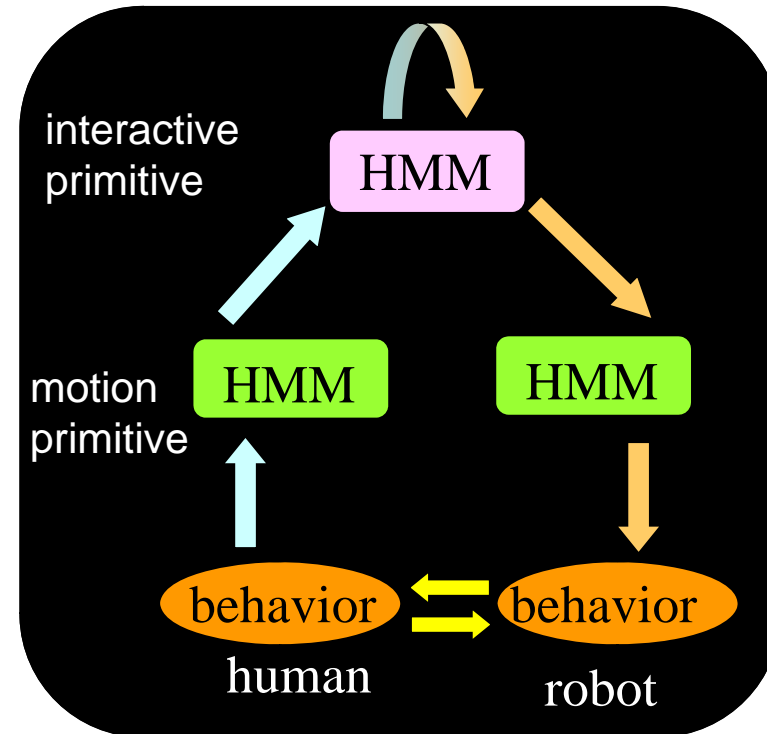
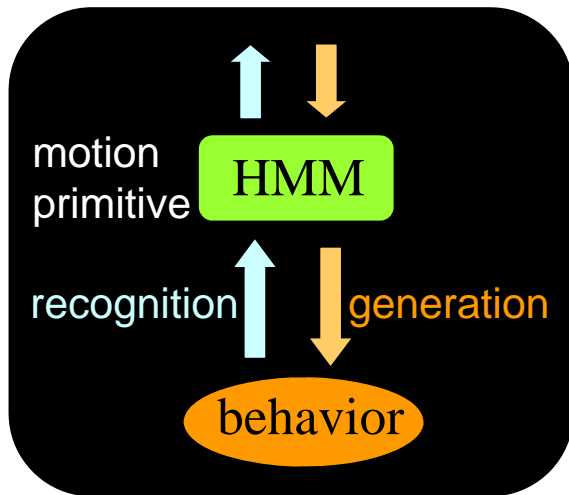
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# Motion Learning → Interaction Learning



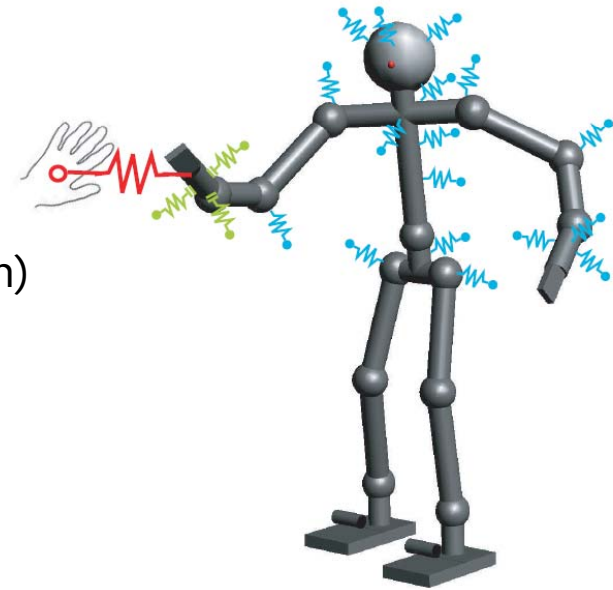
Mimetic Communication Model

learning, recognition & generation of interaction primitives

- How to react to human's action
- Contact location & timing

# Physical Contact Establishment

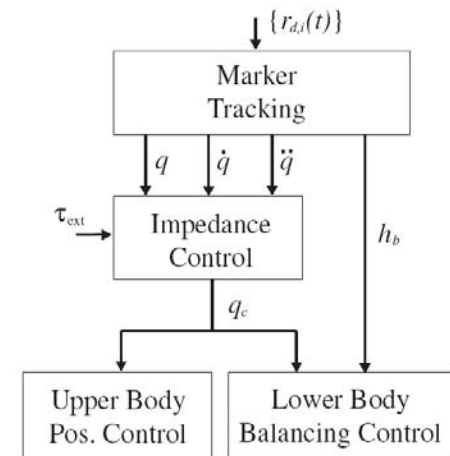
- Adaptation of the robot's motion to the desired contact point in real-time:
  - Use additional spring (red) connected to the desired contact point.
  - Project the forces of the hand's marker springs (green) into a subspace related to the hand orientation.



$$\begin{pmatrix} \tau \\ f \end{pmatrix} = -D(q) \begin{pmatrix} \dot{q} \\ \dot{x} \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{\forall i \in M \setminus H} k_i J_i^T(q) (r_{d,i} - r_i(q, x)) + \sum_{k=R,L} J_{h,k}^T(q) \left( \delta_k F_{h,k} + (1 - \delta_k) F_{w,k} \right)$$

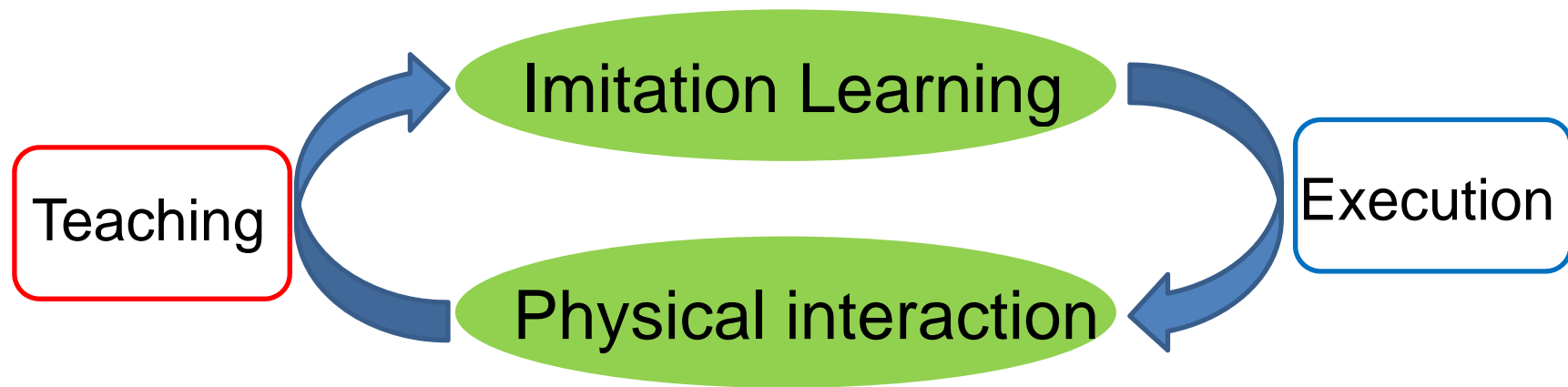
Distance information  
 → smooth transition  
 contact/non-contact

- Position control → (Position based) Impedance control
  - ✓ Limiting the contact forces
  - ✓ Implementing "smooth" contact



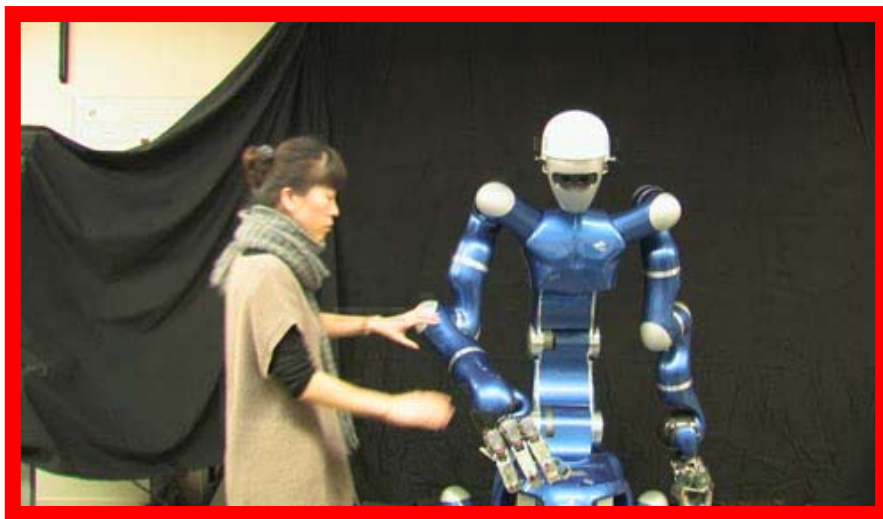






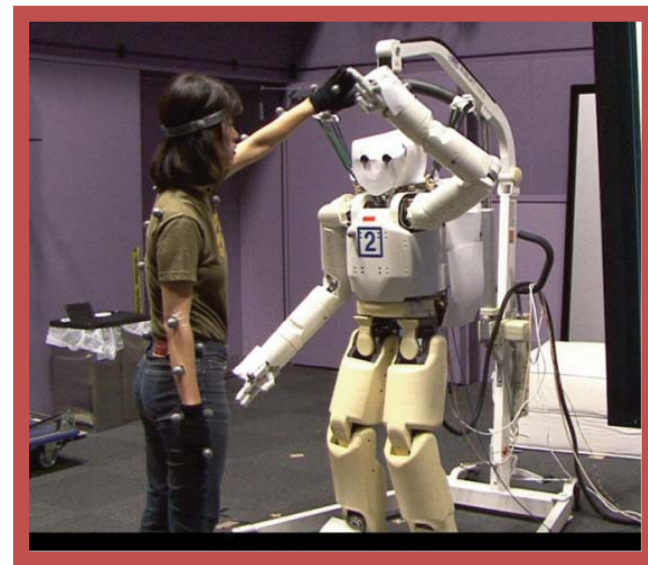
### Physical coaching

[Lee & Ott, Autonomous Robots 2011]



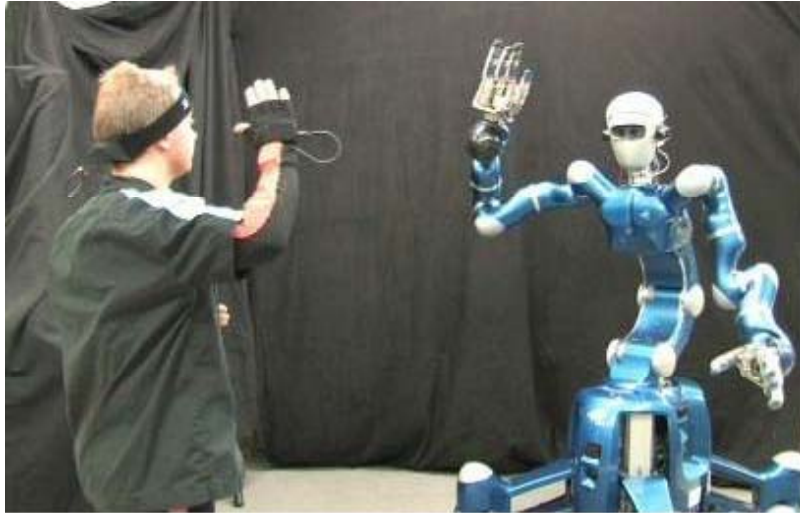
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# Demonstration Technique

## Observational Demo

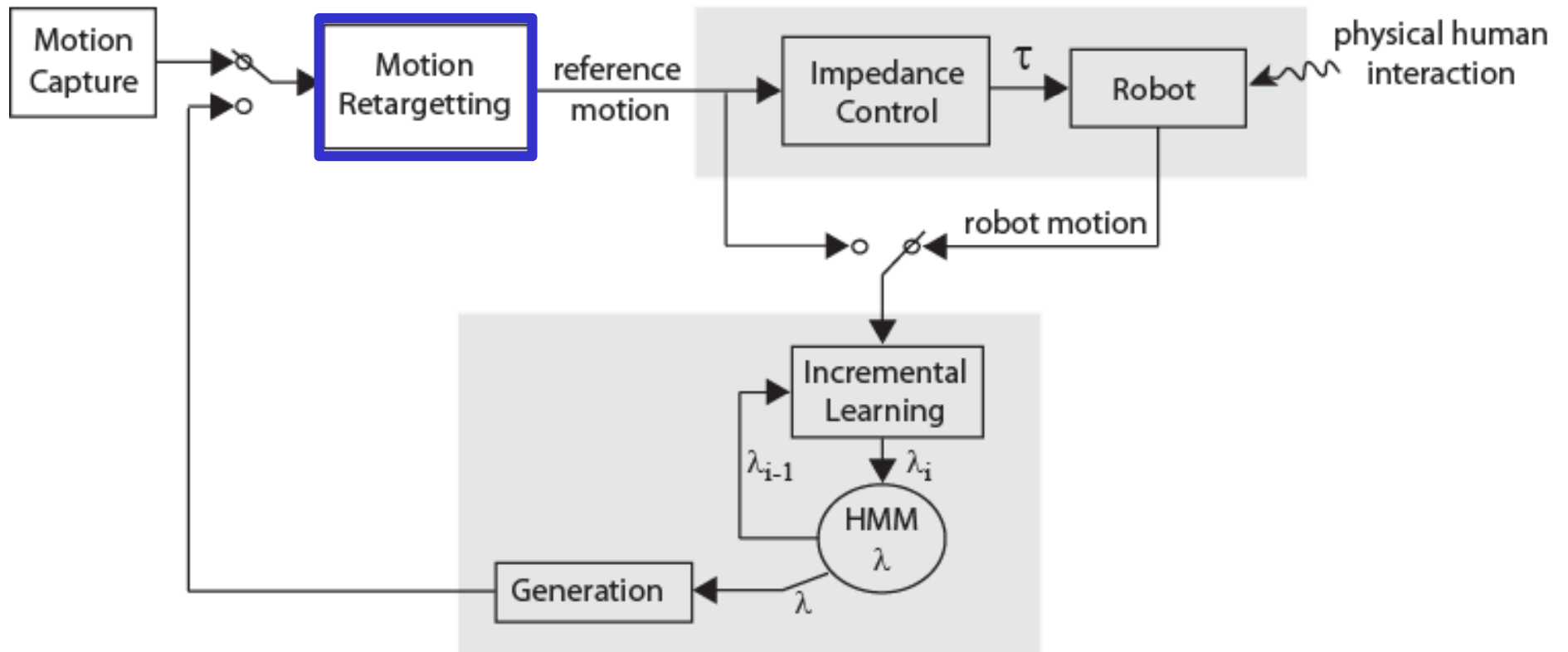


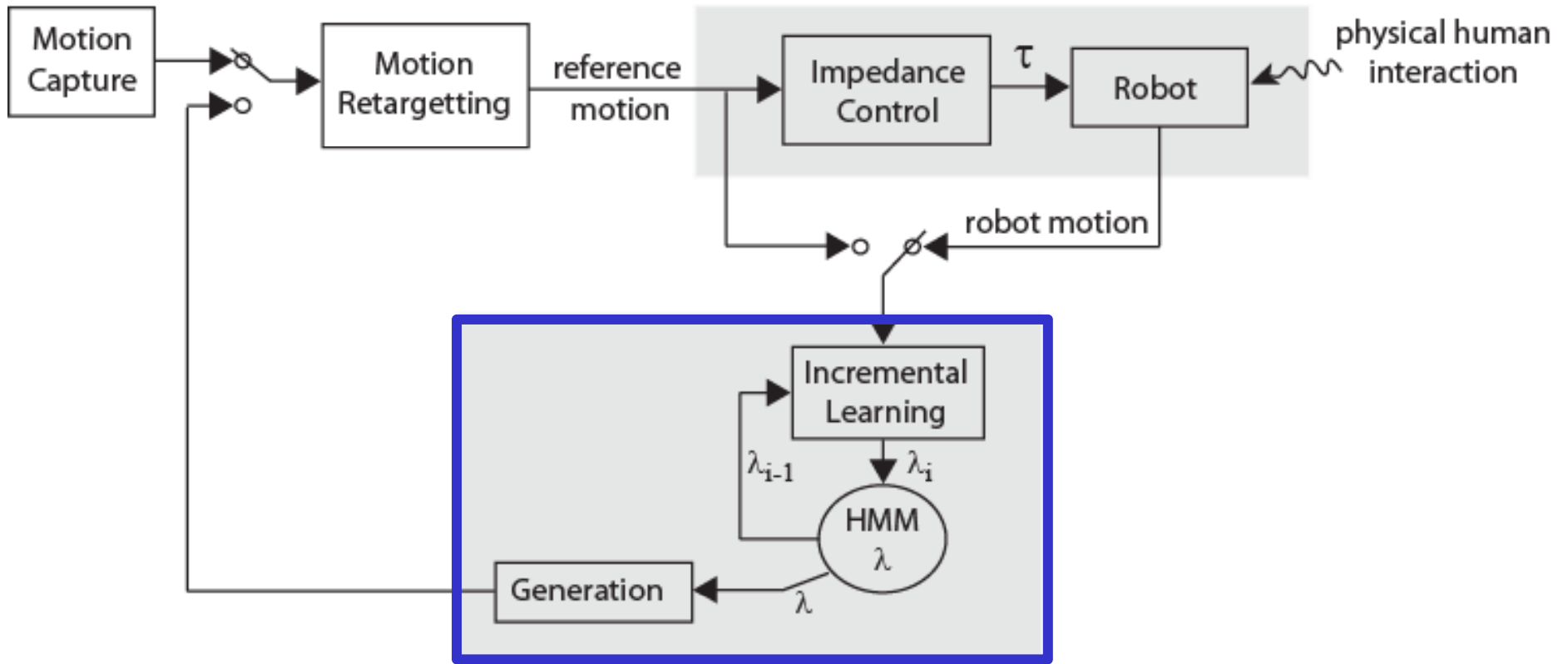
## Kinesthetic Demo



+	synchronized whole body motion	• Unsynchronized body motion • Accidental disturbance	-
-	correspondence problem	No correspondence problem	+

# Overview





Multi observations  
(reproduced & observed)

$$\pi_i = \sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e \gamma_i^e(1)$$

$$a_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e \sum_{t=1}^{T_e-1} \xi_{ij}^e(t)}{\sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e \sum_{t=1}^{T_e-1} \gamma_i^e(t)}$$

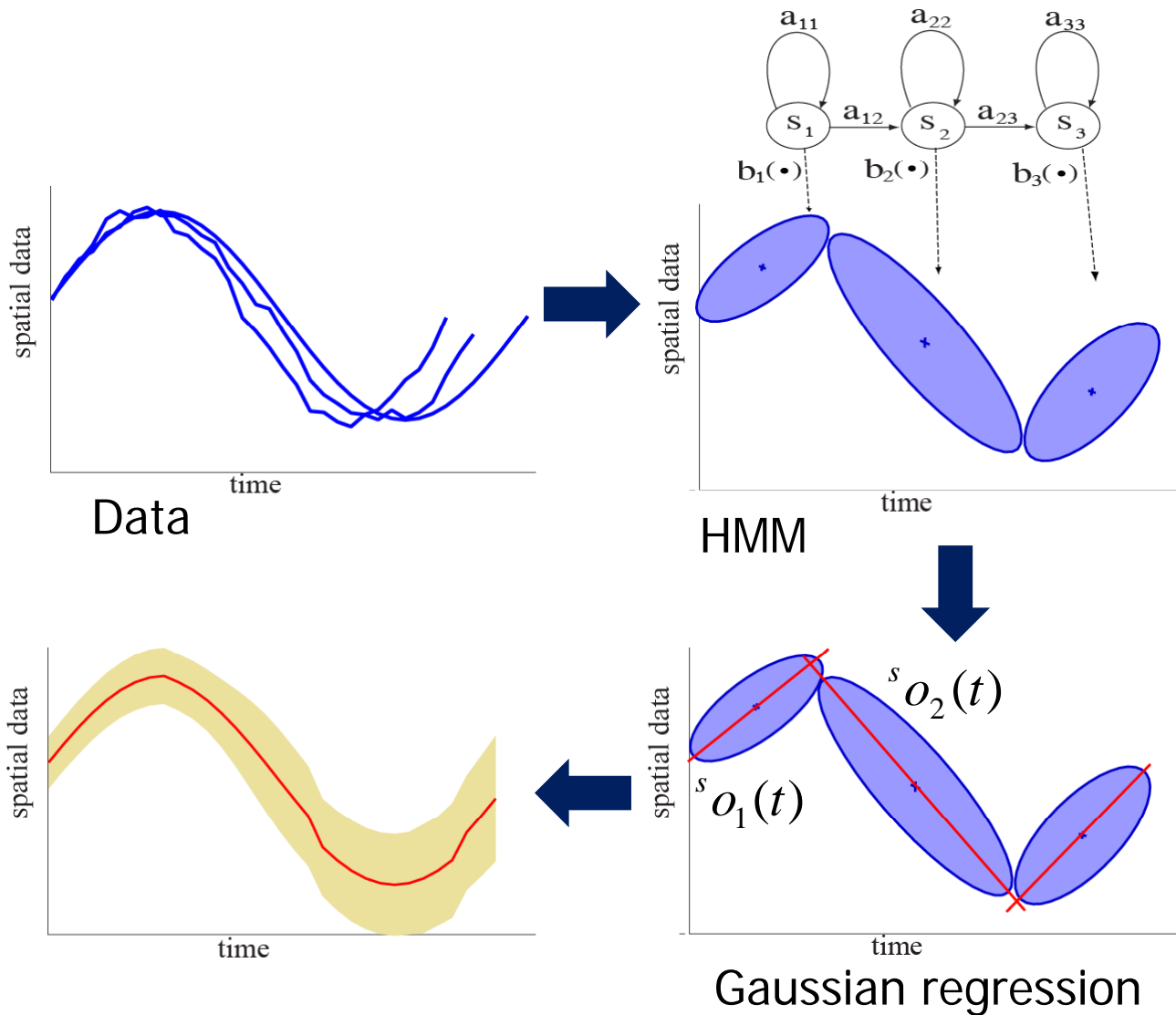
weighting factor

$${}^s \mu_i = \frac{\sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e \sum_{t=1}^{T_e} \gamma_i^e(t) {}^s o^e(t)}{\sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e \sum_{t=1}^{T_e} \gamma_i^e(t)}$$

$$\sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e = 1$$

$${}^s \Sigma_i = \frac{\sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e \sum_{t=1}^{T_e} \gamma_i^e(t) ({}^s o^e(t) - {}^s \mu_i) ({}^s o^e(t) - {}^s \mu_i)^T}{\sum_{e=1}^E \omega^e \sum_{t=1}^{T_e} \gamma_i^e(t)}$$

# Motion Primitives



- No preprocessing for learning & recognition
- Correlation of temporal & spatial data

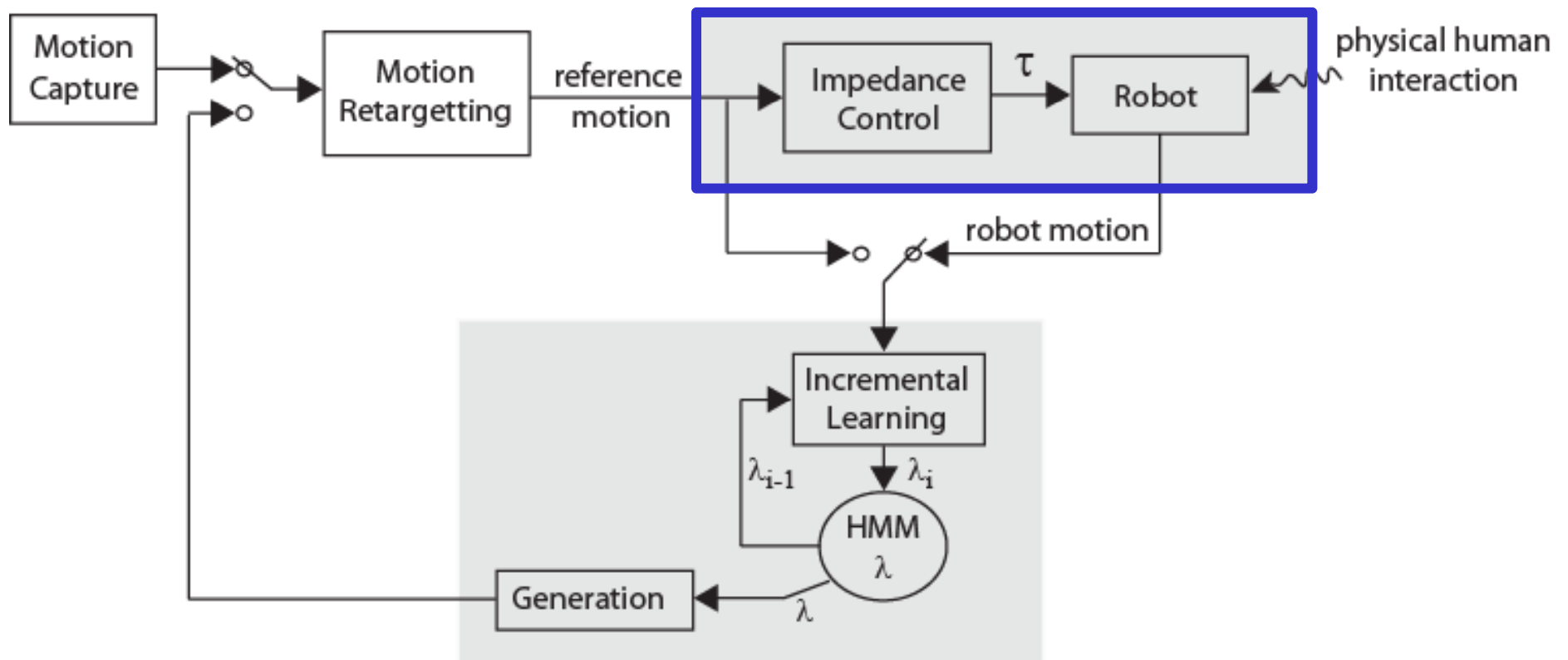
$$T = {}^t \mu_N + \frac{-3 + \sqrt{1 + 48 {}^t \Sigma_N}}{4}$$

$$\zeta_i(t) = P(q_t = S_i | {}^t O, \lambda)$$

$${}^s o(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N \zeta_i(t) {}^s o_i(t)$$

$${}^{s|t} \Sigma(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N \zeta_i(t) {}^{s|t} \Sigma_i(t)$$

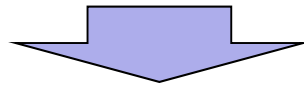
- No slower filter for smoothing trajectory



# Compliant Control

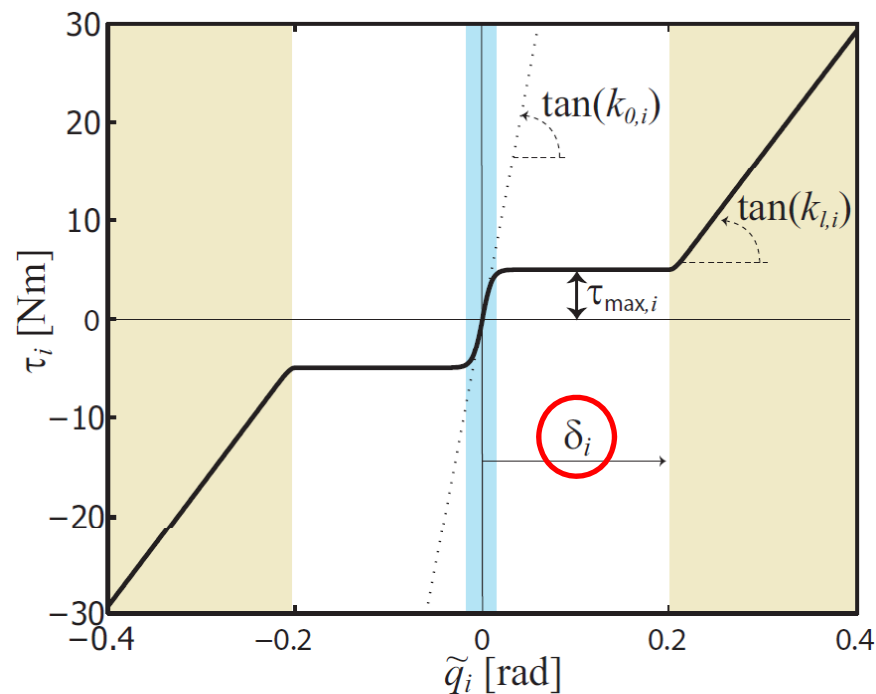
## Requirements

1. Precise tracking in free motion for motion primitive generation
2. Compliant interaction with low stiffness during teaching
3. Refinement tube: Limit the allowed deviation from the motion primitive



Integration into customized impedance controller

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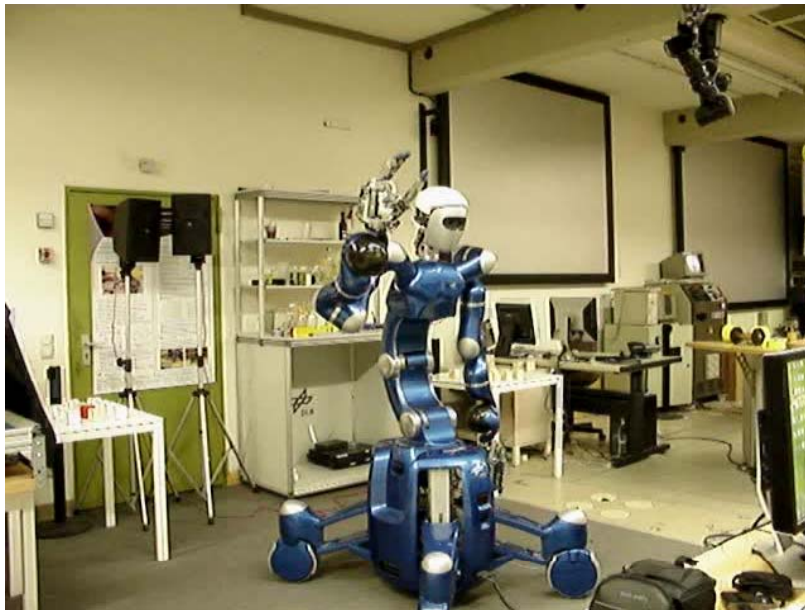
$$\delta = 3\sqrt{s|t} \Sigma(t) + \varepsilon$$



# Experiments – Physical Coaching

## Impedance Control and Motion Refinement Tube

Without tube



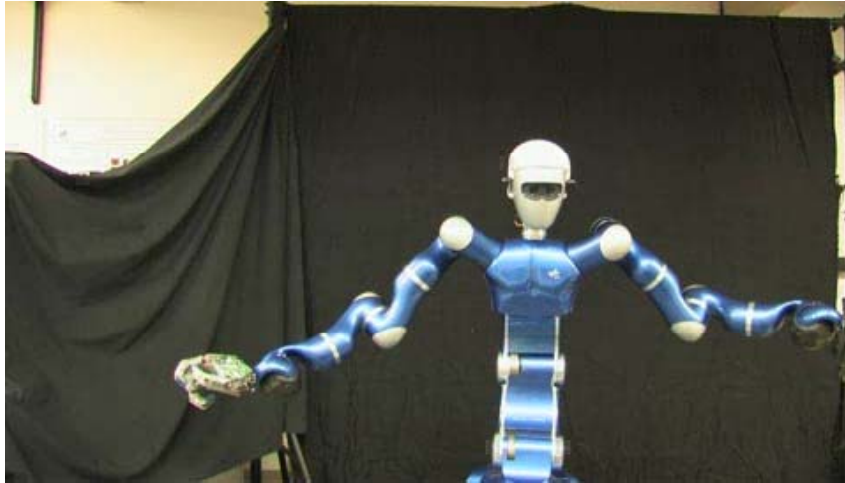
Undesired accidental disturbance

With tube



Guide for easy physical coaching

# Incremental Refinement



Motion Retargeting from human body motion

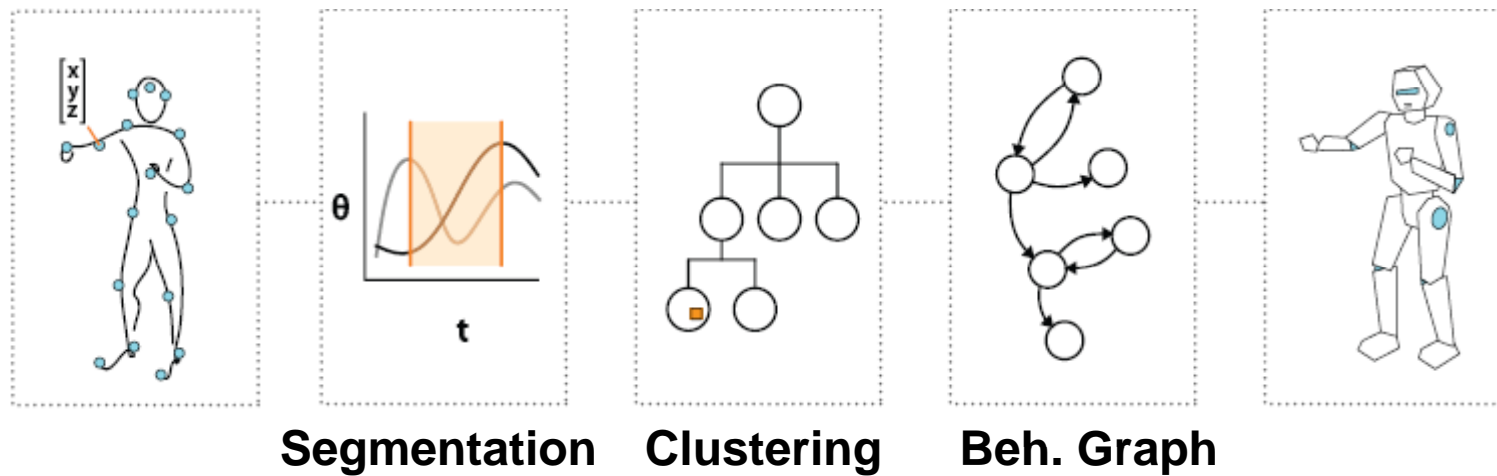


Motion Refinement by Kinesthetic Coaching



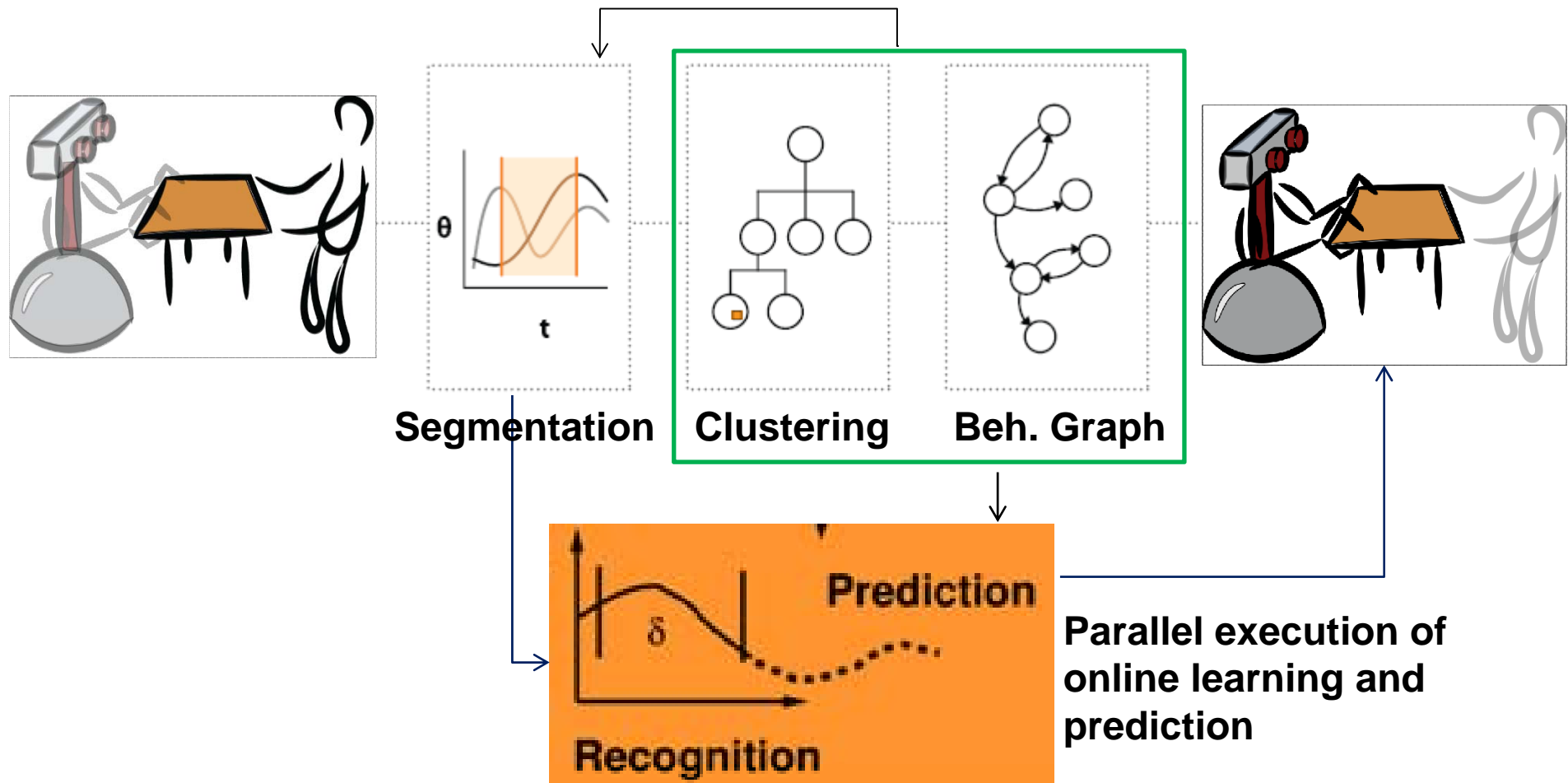
Refined Robot Motion

# Incremental Learning : Unsupervised Segmentation and Clustering

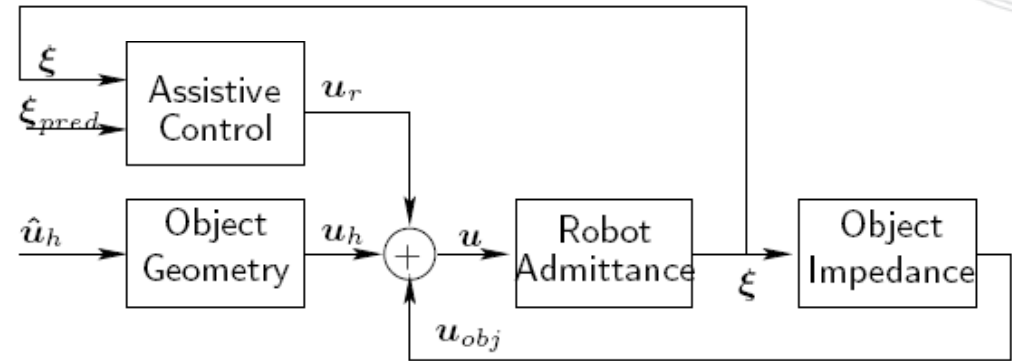
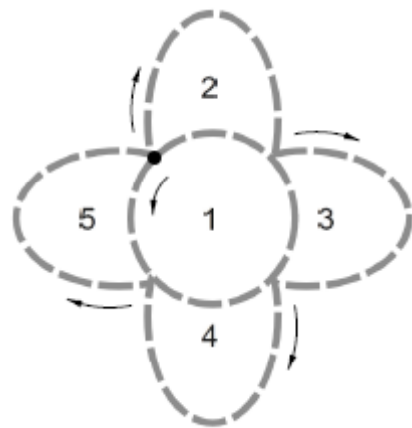
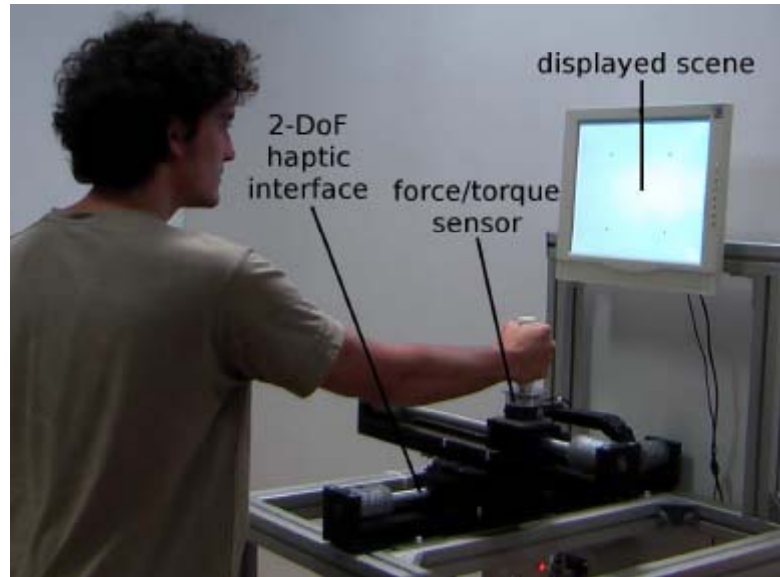


[Kulic, Lee, Ott, Nakamura, IJRR 2011]

# Parallel Learning, Prediction, Execution

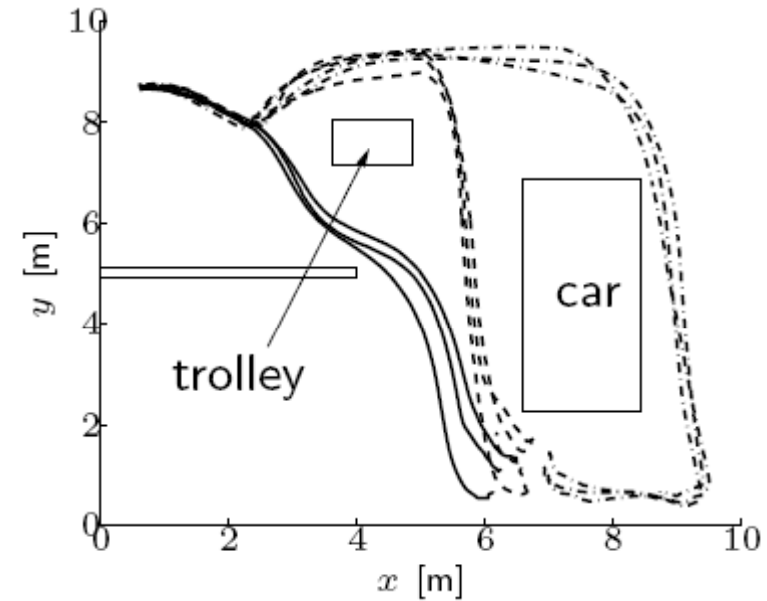


# Experiment in 2D Virtual Scenario



- 2D virtual scenario
- No initial knowledge
- As learning proceeds, prediction starts
- Robot behavior is changed from “passive follower” to “load sharing”

# Experiment



Risk Sensitive Stochastic Optimal Control for Haptic Assistance  
[Medina, Lee, Hirche, ICRA 2012]

$$\gamma(\theta) = -2\theta^{-1} \ln \mathbb{E}[\exp^{-\frac{1}{2}\theta J}]$$

$$\text{where } J = \sum_{k=1}^T z_k^T Q \Sigma_{\xi_{pred,k}}^{-1} z_k + u_{r_k}^T R u_{r_k}$$

# Conclusion

## Movements

- mirror neuron  
→ mimesis model
- self vs others  
: motion skills learning & recognition

## Manipulation

- grasping skills from position and force patterns

## Physical HRI

- learning pHRI tasks (give-me-five)
- physical coaching for incremental learning
- Human intention recognition for collaboration



## Safe and Autonomous Physical Human-Aware Robot Interaction



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