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New Technologies for Childhood Health Conditions

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 - Cognitive/Functional Processes
 - SensoriMotor Interaction
 - Social Interaction
- Conclusions & Questions

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PSYCHOLOGICAL COGNITIVE
 MOTOR VIRTUAL HUMANS

VIRTUAL REALITY DEFINITION

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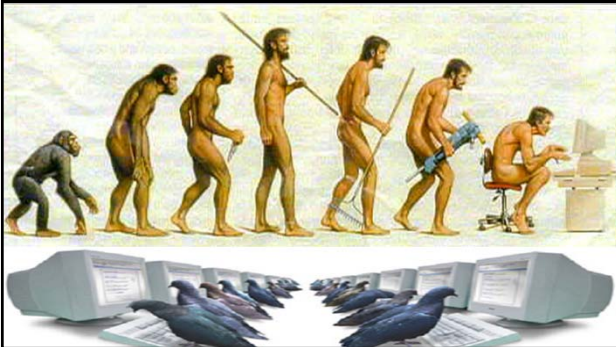
Virtual Reality integrates realtime **computer** processing, **interface** technology, body **tracking** & sensory **displays** to support a user to interact with and/or become immersed in a computer generated simulated environment. Within such controllable, dynamic and interactive 3D stimulus environments, behavioral action can be motivated, recorded and measured.

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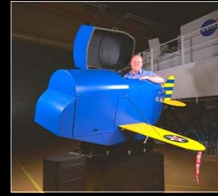
HUMANCENTRIC

"...a way for humans to interact with computers and extremely complex data in a more naturalistic fashion."

THE EVOLUTION OF THE TOOL-USING ANIMAL



VIRTUAL REALITY AS A SIMULATION TECHNOLOGY



1st Link Aviation Simulator (1929)



Virtual Reality (2013)

To Test and Train
Piloting Ability

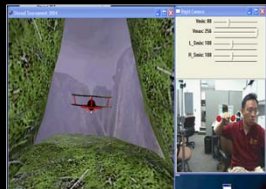
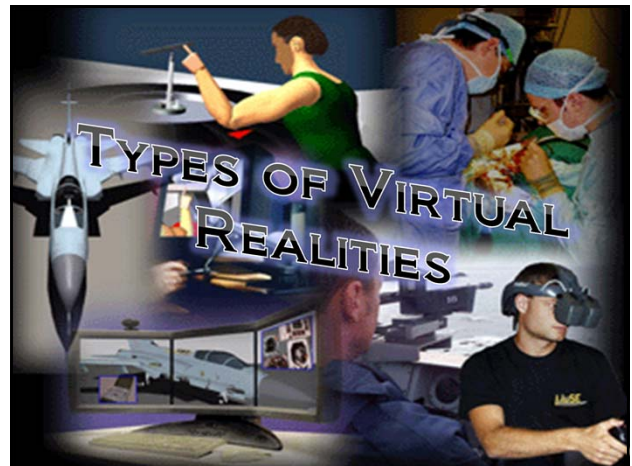


1st Link Aviation Simulator (1929)

To Test, Train & Treat
Psychological, Cognitive
& Motor Functioning



Virtual Reality (2013)



Single Flatscreen VR Games



1996 Cost = \$350k



Multi-Flatscreen VR (assistive driving trainer – Kessler Rehab.)



2013 Cost = \$3k

HEAD MOUNTED DISPLAYS (HMD)



VIRTUAL REALITY USING A HEAD MOUNTED DISPLAY (HMD)



A USER IMMERSSED IN THE SIMULATION USING AN HMD



WHAT THE USER SEES IN THE HMD

VIRTUAL IRAQ/AFGHANISTAN PTS EXPOSURE THERAPY



"VIRTUAL REALITY ARRIVES AT A MOMENT WHEN COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY IN GENERAL IS MOVING FROM AUTOMATING THE PARADIGMS OF THE PAST TO CREATING NEW ONES FOR THE FUTURE"
(MYRON KRUEGER, 1993)

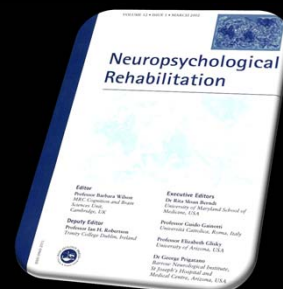


VIRTUAL REALITY ASSETS

- Ecological validity
- Stimulus control and consistency
- Repetitive and hierarchical stimulus delivery possible
- Cueing stimuli for "errorless learning"
- Self-guided exploration and independent practice
- Stimulus and response modification contingent on user's impairments
- Complete naturalistic performance record
- Real time performance feedback
- Safe testing and training environment which minimizes risks due to errors
- Graduated, systematic exposure
- Distraction
- Gaming factors to enhance motivation
- Low cost functional environments that can be duplicated and distributed

"ANALYSIS OF ASSETS FOR VIRTUAL REALITY APPLICATIONS IN NEUROPSYCHOLOGY"

Skip Rizzo, Maria Schultheis, Kimberly A. Kerns, and Catherine Mateer




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A Revolution in Clinical VR Application R&D

1994

From Simple Phobias to



2013

- Addiction
- ADHD
- Alzheimers
- Autism
- Balance Disorders
- Cerebral Palsy
- Spatial Neglect
- Pain Distraction
- Phantom Limb
- PTSD
- Stroke, TBI, Parkinsons
- Spinal Cord Injury
- And Many More...

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COGNITIVE/FUNCTIONAL ASSESSMENT AND REHABILITATION



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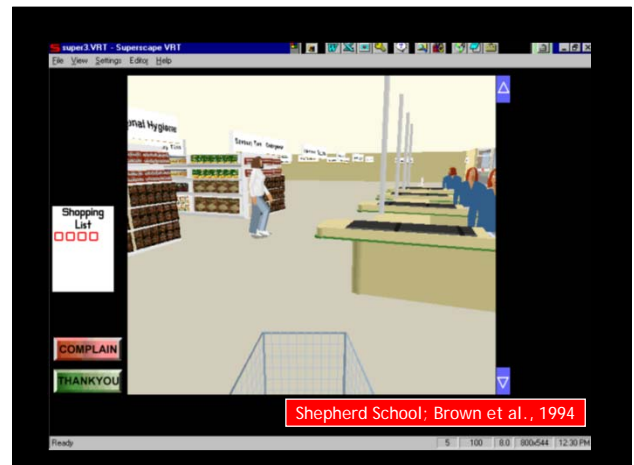
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- motivate participation!

VIRTUAL REALITY SIMULATION TECHNOLOGY IS IDEALLY SUITED TO MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS



Brown et al., 1994

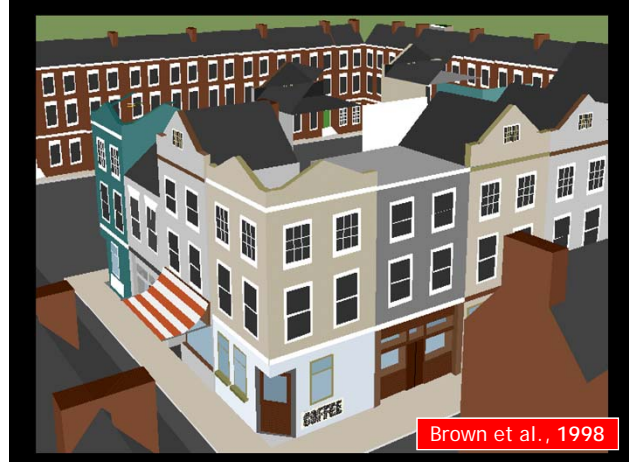


Shepherd School; Brown et al., 1994

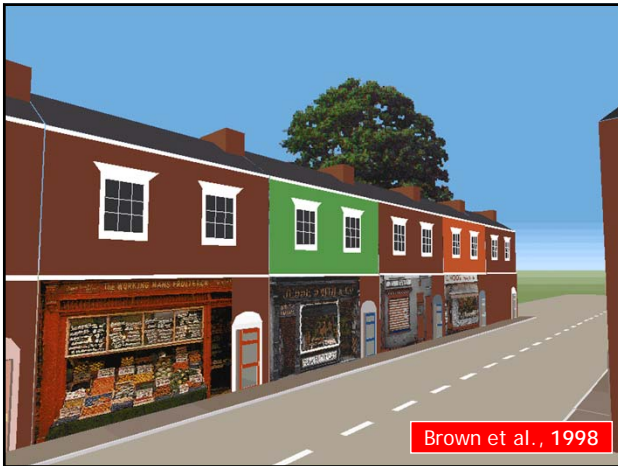
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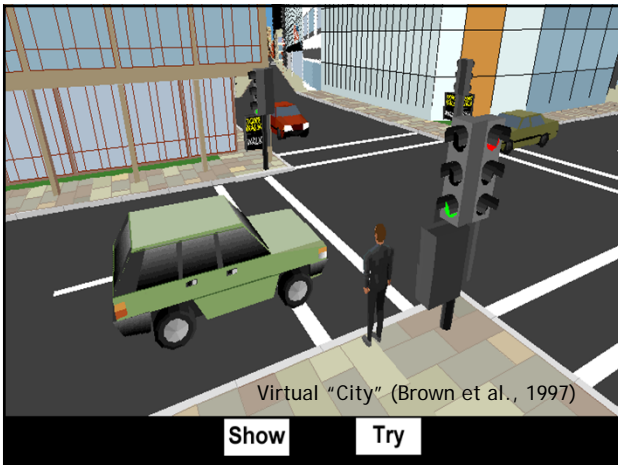
Stanton, Wilson, & Foreman 1998



Brown et al., 1998



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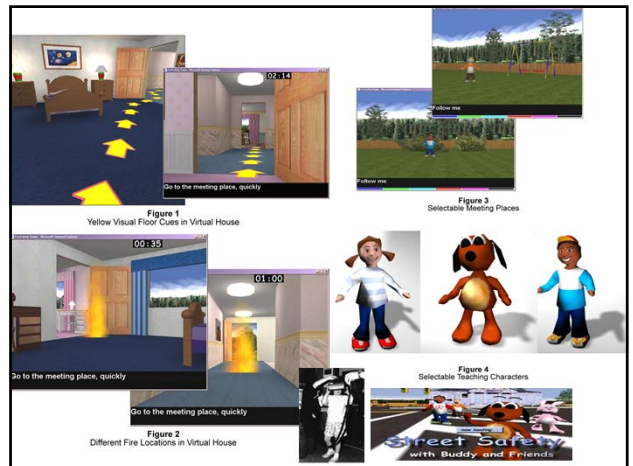


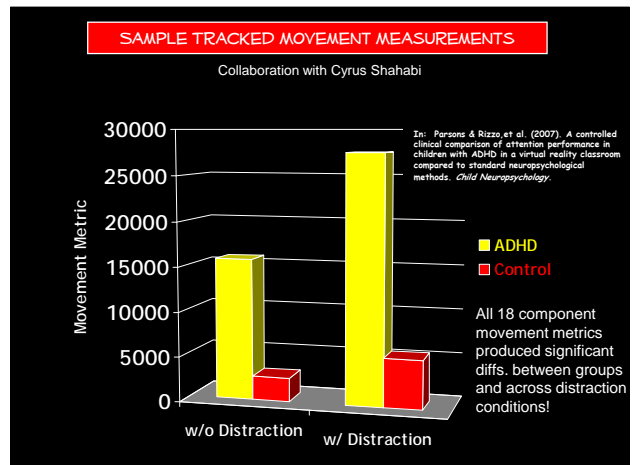
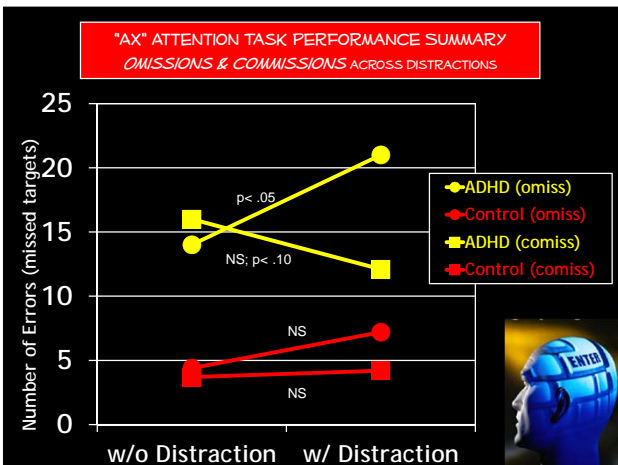
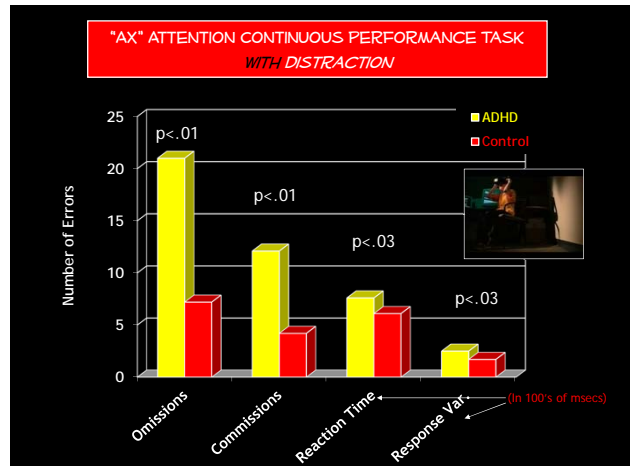
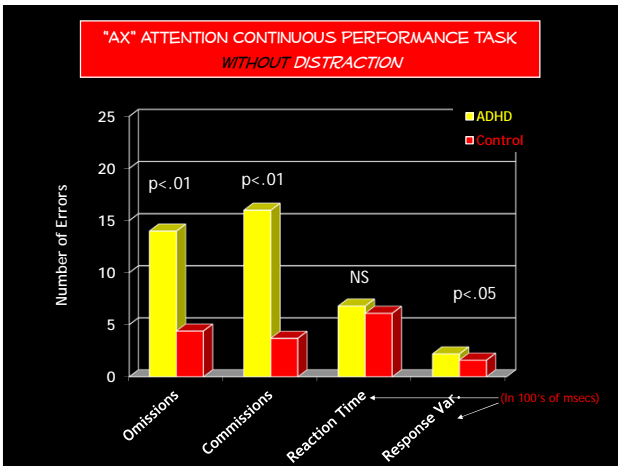
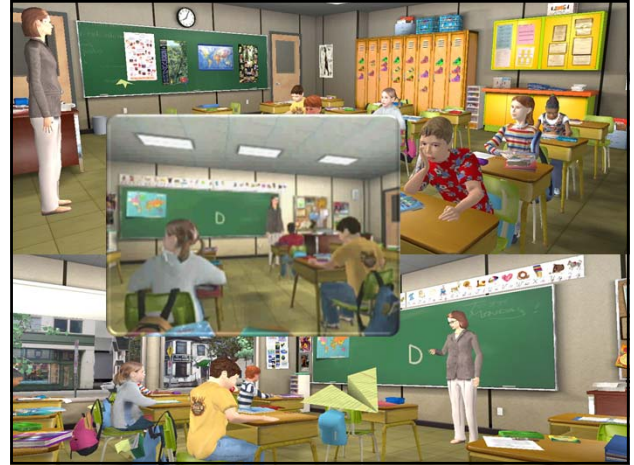
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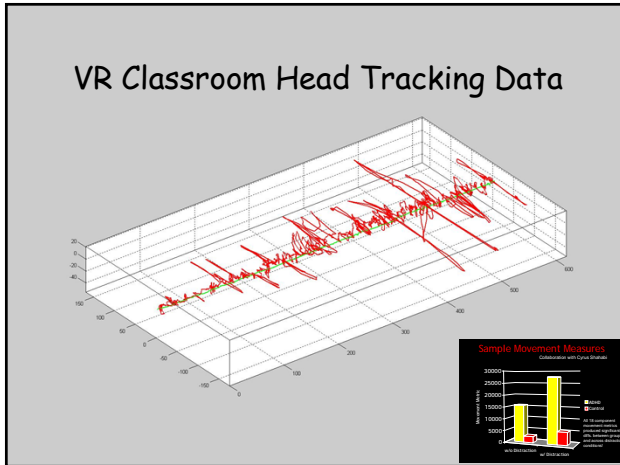
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VR Classroom Head Tracking Demo

Randomly selected ADHD and Control Subject Facing Blackboard during 10 min. Vigilance trial.

Virtual Reality

HEAD TRACKING DATA

- Control (n=10 X 20 Hit Stimuli per subject)
 - Missed 1 Out of 200 Hit Stimuli
 - ~.05% looking away from board during Hit Stimuli
- ADHD (n=8 X 20 Hit Stimuli per subject)
 - Missed 41 Out of 160 Hit Stimuli
 - 25% looking away from board during Hit Stimuli

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Varied Attention Tasks Developed

- Boston Naming Task
- Stroop Task
- Letter Crowding Task

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Flexible reconfiguration of scenario for other purposes:

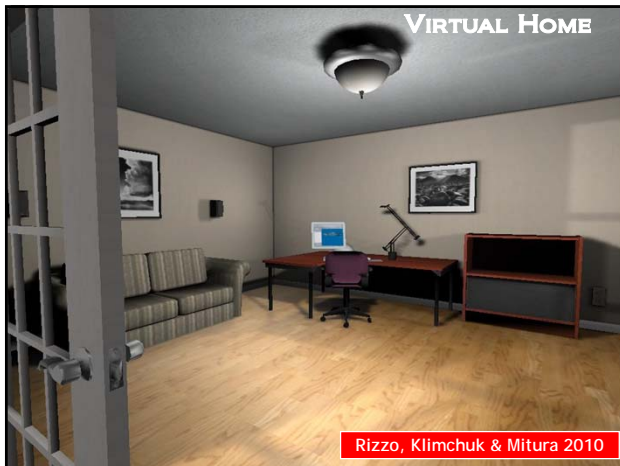
Public speaking with children who have Social Phobia

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Flexible reconfiguration of scenario for other purposes:

Eye tracking and head movement tracking using a Dome Display format

Adams, et al., in press



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Early detection for early intervention
Computer Assessment of Mild Cognitive Impairment

Which object did you see in the front yard of one of the houses?

In the next test, you will be pretending to drive a car through several intersections to get to Sullivan's Market following the directions below.

You do not have to remember the directions, they will stay on the screen.

Tap the OK button to continue.

Go 2 blocks west
Turn left on 1st St.
Go 3 blocks west
Left on Hill Rd.
Now Left on 12th St.
Now Turn right on Market

Trampoline Pool Ball Hoop Play Set

What about Game-based Virtual Reality Training & Rehabilitation?

WHAT ABOUT GAMES?

"You can discover more about a person in an hour of play than in a year of conversation." *Plato*

"A gradient of opiate-like receptors in the portions of the cortex involved in visual, auditory, and somatosensory perception and recognition drives humans to prefer experiences that are novel, fast, immersive and readily interpreted."

*Irv Biederman
USC Neuroscientist*

GAME-BASED REHABILITATION

NEUROSCIENCE RATIONALE
(based on Merzenich's Model on drivers for Neuroplasticity)

- **Attention** drives Cholinergic system
- **Novelty** drives Noradrenergic/Serotonergic system
- **Reward** drives Dopaminergic system

All Elements of Well Designed Games!!!

Checkpoint times: 0:0.10

0:0.17:52

And, Games Can Enhance Motivation!!!

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SUCCESSFUL INTERVENTION DEPENDS ON:

ED FISCHER 09

YES, YES, YES - NOW, SERIOUSLY - WHAT CAN WE DO TO IMPROVE OUR HEALTH?

1. Exercise
2. Exercise
3. Exercise
4. Exercise
5. Exercise
6. Exercise
7. Exercise etc.

Adherence

Successful Clinicians

HAPPY neuron Brain fitness for life

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HOME THE METHOD BRAIN & TRAINING OTHER PRODUCTS

Memory Attention Language Reasoning Visual-Spatial

Attention Games

Attention and focus are critical skills that help us to absorb, process and memorize information. Attention is also involved in processing the details, in understanding a written text and in mentally searching for a particular word or term. Attention exercises strengthen our ability to focus and concentrate on critical information.

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Pay Attention! Discover	Private Eye Discover	Secret Files Discover	Sound check Discover

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Memory Attention Speed Flexibility Problem Solving

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Select all aspects of your attention that you want to train

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<input type="checkbox"/> Concentrating while learning something new	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avoiding distractions	

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ifocus **JUNGLE RANGERS**

The Cognitive Science in Jungle Rangers with Dr. Kimberly Kerns, Ph. D. Pediatric Neuropsychologist and Game Developer

Jungle Ranger: Attention and Working Memory Training Game

Gameplay based on Neuropsychological Principles Outcome Research in Progress

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A Game for Teaching Emotional Regulation Skills

Dojo Main Hub

Welcome to the Dojo

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Main Hub - The first room of the dojo that the player encounters. Here the player is instructed on how to use the IOM Device and is told that training for different emotions lies behind each door.

A Game for Teaching Emotional Regulation Skills



You're going to learn how to tense your muscles to release stress..

GameDest

Training - The player is instructed on how to perform simple muscle exercises to relieve stress.

EMOTO Heads Up Display



EMOTO - The player is also introduced to the EMOTO heads up display, which visualizes the player's heart rate and stress level.

Frustration Dojo



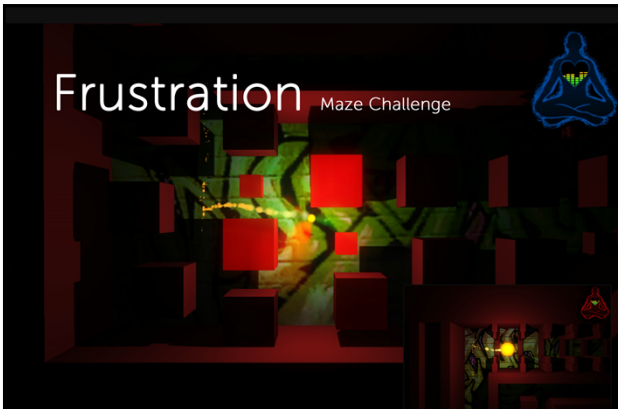
Frustration - In the frustration dojo, the Dojo Master guides the player through a muscle exercise and challenges the player to a test of frustration.

Ability Learned



Frustration - Upon learning any new technique, the player unlocks an ability. This ability can be used in the final Fear Dojo challenge, but also represents the real-world skill the player has just learned.

Frustration Maze Challenge

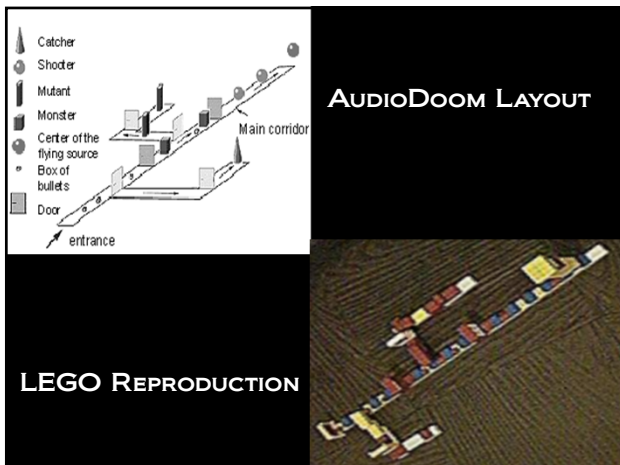
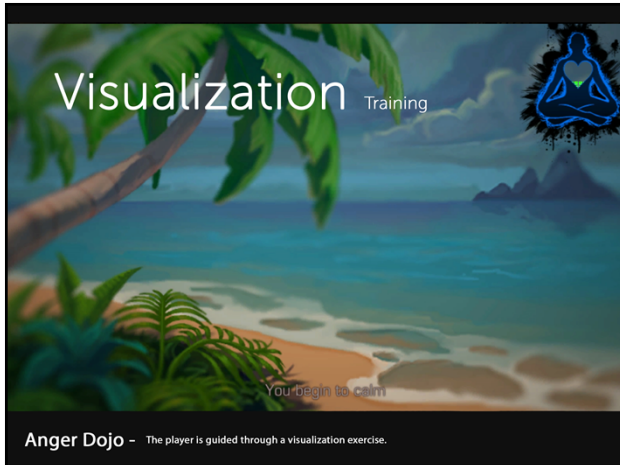


Frustration - The player must navigate through a progressively more difficult maze without touching any walls. If the player does not manage their stress level, the ball increases in size making progress impossible.

Anger Dojo



Anger Dojo - In the anger dojo, the Dojo Master guides the player through visualization and positive self-talk exercises and challenges the player to a test of anger.





Sensorimotor Interaction

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TRADITIONAL THERAPY

In the traditional therapy session, the patient works one on one with a therapist to address shoulder flexion and abduction, pincer grasp, forearm supination and pronation and other movement foci.

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IREX SYSTEM FOR OT/PT AFTER STROKE/TBI/SCI/CP

 Weiss et al., 2002-2012

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Weiss et al., 2002-2012

Feasibility, Motivation and Selective Motor Control: Virtual Reality Compared to Conventional Home Exercise in Children with Cerebral Palsy

Carolyn Bryanton¹, Marie Brien², Jennifer McLean², Anna McCormick², Heidi Sveistrup¹

Children generate a greater range of ankle dorsiflexion, demonstrate better control of active ankle dorsiflexion movement, and report greater interest in doing the same exercise when delivered through a virtual reality system than as a stand-alone exercise. The next series of experiments will characterize the muscle activity generated during the two exercise modes as well as determine retention and transfer of effects following an intervention trial.



2006

Virtual Reality-Induced Cortical Reorganization and Associated Locomotor Recovery in Chronic Stroke An Experimenter-Blind Randomized Study

Sung H. You, PT, PhD; Sung Ho Jang, MD; Yun-Hee Kim, MD, PhD; Mark Hallett, MD; Sang Ho Ahn, MD; Yong-Hyun Kwon, PT, MS; Joong Hwi Kim, PT, MS; Mi Young Lee, PT

Background and Purpose—Virtual reality (VR) is a new promising computer-assisted technology to promote motor recovery in stroke patients. VR-induced neuroplasticity supporting locomotor recovery is not known. We investigated the effects of VR intervention on cortical reorganization and associated locomotor recovery in stroke patients.

Methods—Ten chronic stroke patients were assigned randomly to either the control group or the VR group. VR was designed to provide interactive real-life practice environments in which practice parameters can be individualized to optimize motor relearning. Laterality index (LI) in the regions of interests (ROIs) and locomotor recovery were measured before and after VR using functional MRI (fMRI) and standardized locomotor tests, respectively. The *t* test and nonparametric test were performed to compare the mean differences at $P < 0.05$.

Results—There was a significant difference in the interval change in the LI score for the primary sensorimotor cortex (SMC) between the groups ($P < 0.05$), indicating that VR practice produced a greater increase in LI for the control group. However, the interval changes in the other ROIs were not significantly different ($P > 0.05$). Motor function was significantly improved after VR ($P < 0.05$).

Conclusions—Our novel findings suggest that VR could induce cortical reorganization from aberrant ipsilateral to contralateral SMC activation. This enhanced cortical reorganization might play an important role in recovery of locomotor function in patients with chronic stroke. This is the first fMRI study in the literature that provides evidence for neuroplasticity and associated locomotor recovery after VR. (*Stroke*, 2005;36:1166-1171.)

Key Words: g In: *Stroke* (2005) ■ rehabilitation

Exergaming and Older Adult Cognition A Cluster Randomized Clinical Trial

Cay Anderson-Hanley, PhD, Paul J. Arclero, DPE, Adam M. Brickman, PhD, Joseph P. Nimon, BS, Naoko Okuma, BS, Sarah C. Westen, BS, Molly E. Merz, BS, Brandt D. Pence, BA, Jeffrey A. Woods, PhD, Arthur F. Kramer, PhD, Earl A. Zimmerman, MD

Background: Dementia cases may reach 100 million by 2050. Interventions are sought to curb or prevent cognitive decline. Exercise yields cognitive benefits, but few older adults exercise. Virtual reality-enhanced exercise or "exergames" may elicit greater participation.

Purpose: To test the following hypotheses: (1) stationary cycling with virtual reality tours ("cybercycle") will enhance executive function and clinical status more than traditional exercise; (2) exercise effort will explain improvement; and (3) brain-derived neurotrophic growth factor (BDNF) will increase.

Design: Multi-site cluster randomized clinical trial (RCT) of the impact of 3 months of cybercycling versus traditional exercise, on cognitive function in older adults. Data were collected in 2008–2010; analyses were conducted in 2010–2011.

Setting/participants: 102 older adults from eight retirement communities enrolled; 79 were randomized and 63 completed.

Interventions: A recumbent stationary ergometer was utilized; virtual reality tours and competi-

Cybercycling older adults achieved better cognitive function than traditional exercisers (no game condition), for the same effort, suggesting that simultaneous cognitive and physical exercise has greater potential for preventing cognitive decline. 2012 In: *AJPM* (2012)

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Robotically Facilitated Training of the Hemiplegic Upper Extremity as an Integrated Functional Unit in Virtual Environments

Alma Merians & Gerard Fluet
University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey
Sergei Adamovich, Qinyin Qiu & Ian Lafond
New Jersey Institute of Technology

2009



Clinical Outcomes Functional Improvement

Subjects

- Mean age = 58
- 7 male 4 female
- Mean = 6 yrs. post stroke (9 mos-15 yrs)
- 6 right hemiplegia, 5 left hemiplegia
- All cortical - ischemic strokes
- 6 Months Post CVA
- 20° wrist extension and 10° finger extension



Training = 20 Hours over 2 Weeks (8-10 sessions)

Four game simulations that combined arm transport and hand manipulation

Test	Percent Change (SD)	P value
Jebsen Test of Hand Function	28% (15)	P = .03*
Wolf Motor Function Test	25% (11)	P = .00025*
9 hole peg test	19% (30)	P = .08
Box and Blocks Test	12% (10)	P = .02*

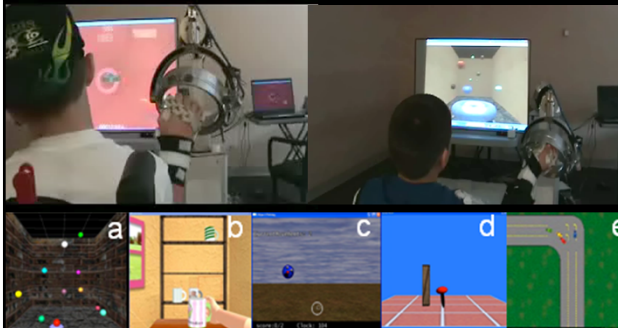
Exclusion Criteria: severe aphasia, hemiparesis/parietal, upper extremity botox within 3 months

Merians, Adamovich, Qiu, Lafond & Fluet, 2009

2009

Games Modified for Children with CP

Alma Merians & Gerard Fluet



Games Modified for Children with CP

Users and Training

- Nine children with Cerebral Palsy (8 boys, 1 girl; ages 7-15 years)
 - Seven with Hemiplegia (ambulatory)
 - Two with Quadraplegia (non-ambulatory)
- Practiced for one hour/day - 3 days a week - for three weeks (9 Hours Total)
- Played a combination of 3 or 4 games of the simulations depending on therapeutic goals, tolerances and their preferences.

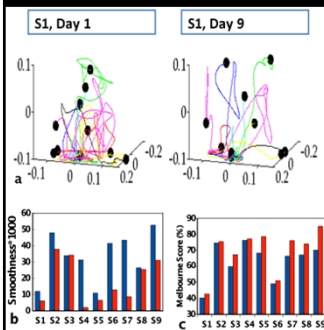
Outcome Measures

- Outcome measures included both clinical tests and kinematic measures
- Melbourne Assessment of Unilateral Upper Limb Function (MAUULF). (measures movement quality of 16 upper extremity activities)
- Kinematic measures included:
 - Arm Movement Speed
 - Smoothness of Endpoint Trajectory
 - Movement Duration

Merians & Fluet, 2011

Games Modified for Children with CP

Alma Merians & Gerard Fluet



- 9 Hours Total Training time
- Trajectories of a representative subject on Day 1 and Day 9
- After training children had a more direct path when reaching to touch all ten targets in the Bubble Explosion game
- Each child improved the smoothness of their trajectory as they reached for the targets
- Statistically significant ($p < .05$) improvement in the MAUULF after training.

Merians & Fluet, 2011

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- 2) ArmeoSring Concept (English)
- 3) Technical Details (English)

More Information

- Product Disclaimer

Functional arm and hand therapy for children

The ArmeoSring Pediatric is specifically designed for and adapted to the needs of children with movement impairments in their arms and hands resulting from neurological conditions. It is a valuable tool to improve therapy by facilitating intensive and functional movement exercises supported by motivating, game-like tasks as a basis for best possible therapy outcome.

Key Facts

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PHANTOM BASED MOTOR REHAB APPLICATIONS

Hand Reaching and Fine Motor Control

OPTT-RERC
Optimizing Participation through Technology for Successful Aging with Disability

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DUAL PHANTOM BASED MOTOR REHAB APPLICATIONS

Like traditional therapy, the Pinch Game targets a single movement focus, pincer grasp, using dual PHANTOMS. The patient must grasp a cube and raise it above a bar. The PHANTOMS provide force feedback (the sense of touch).

PHANTOM BASED MOTOR REHAB APPLICATIONS



Pronation and Supination



The Flying Plane game targets pronation and supination, using a PHANTOM OMNI, a comparatively inexpensive force-feedback device.



OPTT-RERC

Optimizing Participation through Technology for Successful Aging with Disability




The Novint Falcon







The Novint Falcon is the first 3D touch interface device designed for the consumer market. The Falcon, which is designed to retail for **under \$200** in mass market volumes, performs comparably to commercial devices that cost thousands of dollars, letting users accurately and realistically feel shape, texture, weight, dynamics, 3D motion and force effects when playing touch-enabled games.




THE NOVIN FALCON




- Novint Falcon 3 DOF (right-left, forward-backward, up-down)
- 4" x4" x4" workspace
- rumble, vibrations, texture
- Max continuous force 1 kgf
- Price less than \$200




TEETER-TOTTER PROTOTYPES




Panda3D Tutorial - Collision Detection



BI-MANUAL APPLICATIONS



Pinch Task Prototype



Coming Soon!

Social Networking

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DIGITAL SPIROMETER BREATHING GAME

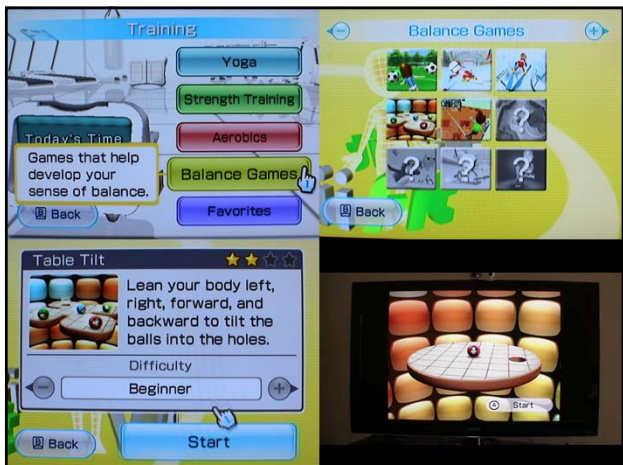
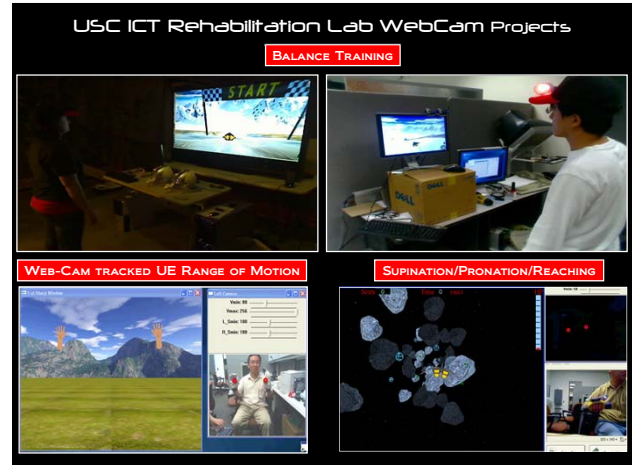
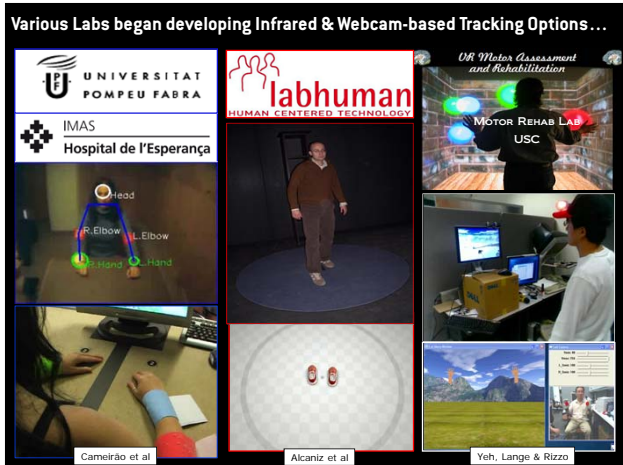


PINCH AND GRASP TRAINING



SUPINATION/PRONATION/REACHING






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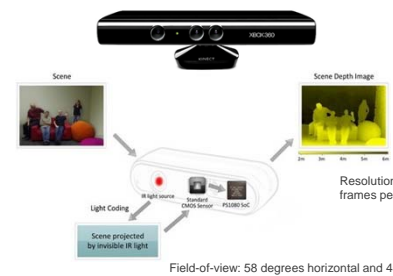
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Watch the launch event

Microsoft Kinect Sensor



Resolution: 640x480 at 30 frames per second.

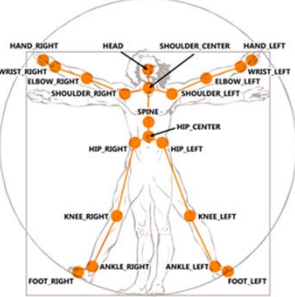
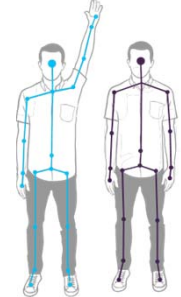
Field-of-view: 58 degrees horizontal and 45 degrees vertical

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Microsoft Kinect Skeletal Tracking

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A REVOLUTION IN LOW-COST MOTION TRACKING FOR REHABILITATION

Introducing Kinect for Xbox 360

You are the controller. No gadgets, no gizmos, just you!


Kinect brings games and entertainment to life in extraordinary new ways without using a controller. Imagine controlling movies and music with the power of your voice. With Kinect, technology magic is in all of us shine.

- Low-cost depth sensor
- Articulated body tracking

Be part of the movement.

Getting started with Kinect. Learn more about how Kinect works.

Kinect Motion Tracking Interface Project



Jewel Mine Upper Extremity Range of Motion Early Prototype

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Can we use existing low-cost video game technologies for sensorimotor rehab/training?



Video games for Clinic and Home-based Rehabilitation

- Low-cost video game hardware
 - Wii, Wii Fit, Playstation2 EyeToy, Playstation3 MOVE, Microsoft Kinect
- Wide adoption of video games by a range of clinicians in clinical and aged care settings
- Easy to access, fun to use, well known
- Motivate patients to exercise

What is the quality of movement we are asking our clients to do?



Can Games designed for Entertainment be used out of the Box?

SONY EyeToy Example



User testing of Video games in the Clinic Setting

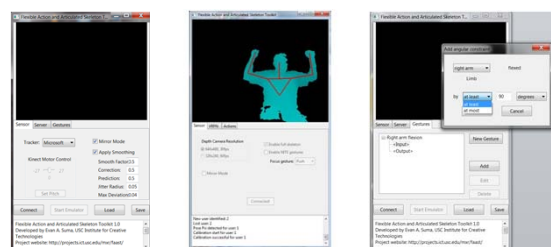
- Clinician does not have control over game components
- 'Easy' levels too difficult for many patients
- Level of difficulty increase does not match clinical goals
- If difficulty too high, causes compensatory movements
- Difficult for clinicians to choose appropriate games
- Games do not have specific movement focus
- Game score is not representative of motor performance

Games designed for Entertainment do not meet Criteria for good rehabilitation tasks out of the Box!

Flexible Action and Articulated Skeleton Toolkit (FAAST) (Suma, Lange, Rizzo & Bolas)

- How can we build a middleware with a flexible user interface to allow access to wider population of programmers?
 - Software
 - Hardware: PrimeSensor or the Microsoft Kinect sensors
 - FAAST is middleware to facilitate integration of full-body control with games and VR applications
 - FAAST includes a custom VRPN server to stream the user's skeleton over a network, allowing VR applications to read the skeletal joints as trackers using any VRPN client

FAAST System: Middleware



FAAST- Keyboard Emulation Feature

Body Sway = Missile Launcher Control
Right Arm Movement = Firing

Left Arm Movement = Missile Launcher Control
Right Arm Movement = Firing

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FAAST- Keyboard Emulation Feature

Tux Racer Balance Game Prototype

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Play World of WarCraft using your Body to Emulate Keyboard

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Software Tool Dissemination

- FAAST Software downloads (>2000!)

Improving Upper Extremity Functioning for Children with Cerebral Palsy through Internet Virtual Reality Gaming Therapy

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Washington University School of Medicine- Program in Occupational Therapy
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- 12-week intervention (in the lab & at home)
- Utilized Kinect and Flexible Action Articulated Skeleton Toolkit (FAAST) for conversion of game controls from keystrokes to upper extremity movements
- Games (from internet) based on the child's interest
- Target movements based on targeted difficulties of child

	Wks 1-3	Wks 4-6	Wks 7-9	Wks 10-12
Training days in lab per week	3	2	1	0
Training days at home per week	0	1	2	3

Phasing rehabilitation activities into the home via Internet Virtual Reality Gaming Therapy

Improving Upper Extremity Functioning for Children with Cerebral Palsy through Online Game Play

1 Kinect

2 FAAST Software

3 Keyboard Stroke

Process for converting personalized client movement to VR activity.

Improving Upper Extremity Functioning for Children with Cerebral Palsy through Internet Virtual Reality Gaming Therapy

Status

- Have currently completed intervention with two children with spastic hemiplegia cerebral palsy; continuing with additional children with cerebral palsy who demonstrate more functional limitations in their upper extremities

Results and What We Have Learned

- Able to obtain a high number of repetitions in a one hour session (~500)
- Participants highly motivated to complete training (36-37/37 on Intrinsic Motivation Inventory)
- Demonstrated participant specific changes in upper extremity movement patterns toward more typical
- Demonstrated ability to transfer intervention to home



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MOUNTAIN ROAD

Venture if you dare!

Lange et al.



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THE CANYON

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Lange et al.



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THE BARN

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THE CASTLE GATE

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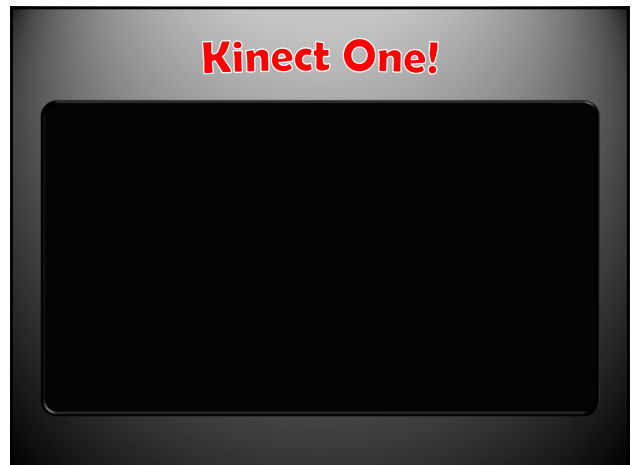
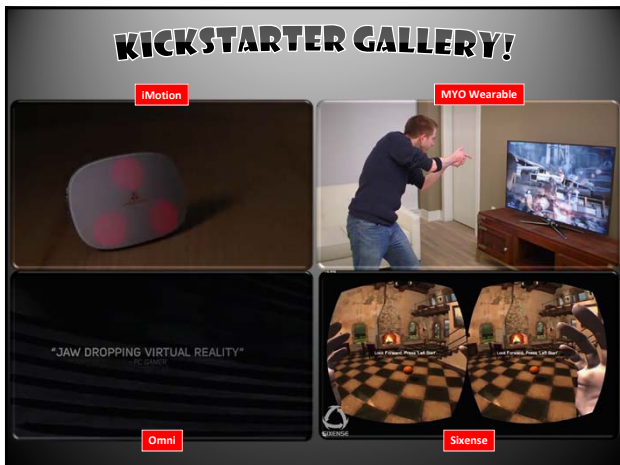
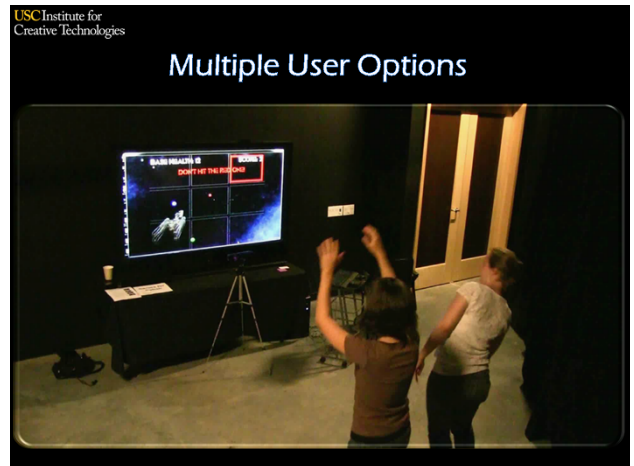
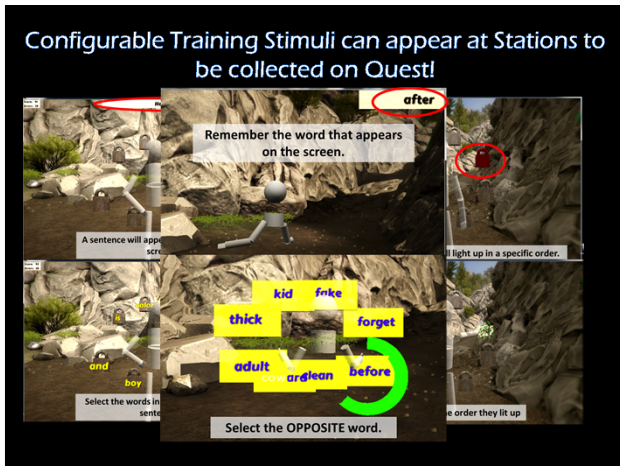


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Koenig, 2013





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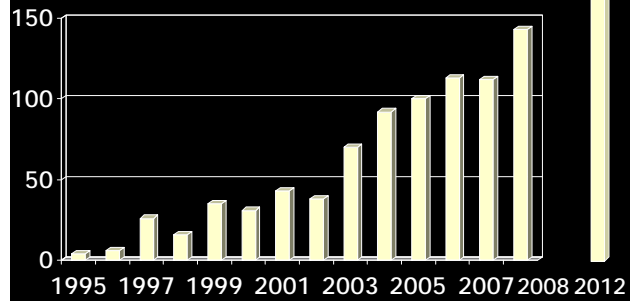
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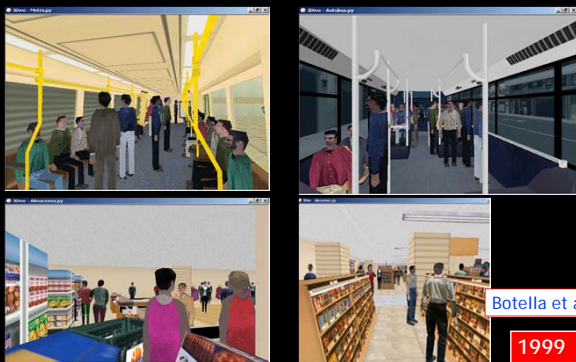


Yearly number of publications on "avatar / autonomous agents" and "VR / VE" (N = 842)



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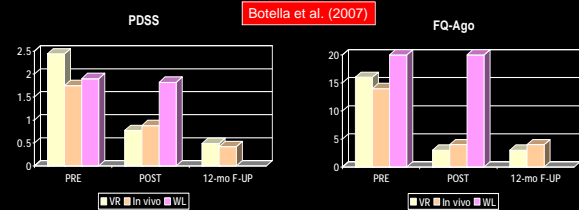
PANIC DISORDER AND AGORAPHOBIA



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N = 36. All $p < .001$. 90 and 91% panic-free at follow-up.



Virtual Human Exposure as good as the real thing!

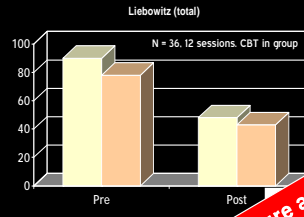
SOCIAL PHOBIA



Klinger et al

2004

SOCIAL PHOBIA



ANCOVA (p = 2.36)

Time	Condition	Interaction	Effect size	Estimated N for total significant difference
ANXIETY	Pre	1.43	0.04	>200
	Post	1.43	0.04	>200
	Total	1.43	0.04	>200
	Medians	1.43	0.07	120
SOCIAL PHOBIA	Pre	2.72	0.088	>3,000
	Post	1.24	0.04	>300
	Total	2.28	0.04	>300
	Medians	1.04	0.03	>300
HEAD	Pre	1.11	0.03	>300
	Post	0.89	0.003	>3,000
	Total	0.89	0.003	>3,000
	Medians	0.89	0.003	>3,000
AVOIDANCE	Pre	1.50	0.04	>200
	Post	1.50	0.04	>200
	Total	1.50	0.04	>200
	Medians	1.50	0.04	>200
PERFORMANCE	Pre	0.81	0.02	>3,000
	Post	0.81	0.02	>3,000
	Total	0.81	0.02	>3,000
	Medians	0.81	0.02	>3,000
TOTAL	Pre	1.12	0.03	>3,000
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FEAR OF PUBLIC SPEAKING



North et al
1997

Slater et al
1999

Kim et al
2000

(Grillon, Riquier, Herbelin & Thalmann)
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43 fear of public speaking patients

Static audience



Positive audience



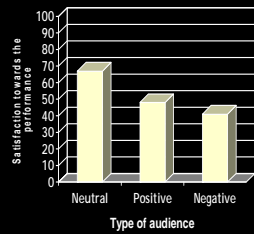
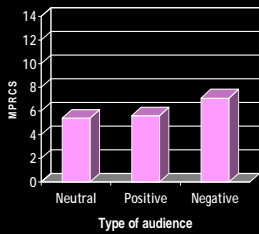
Negative audience



Reaction of socially anxious people to autonomous agents

(Portaub, Slater, & Barker (2001, 2002))

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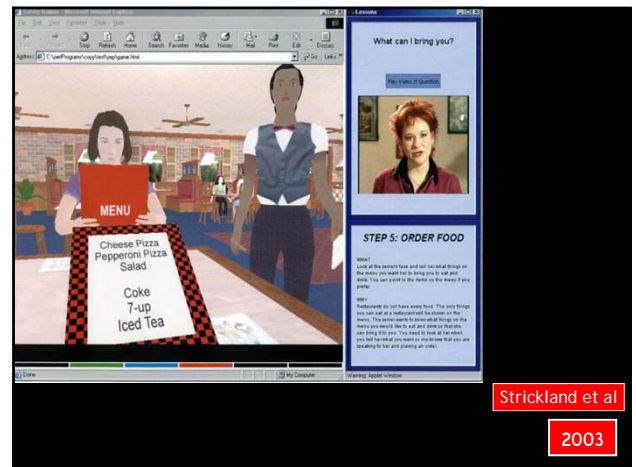
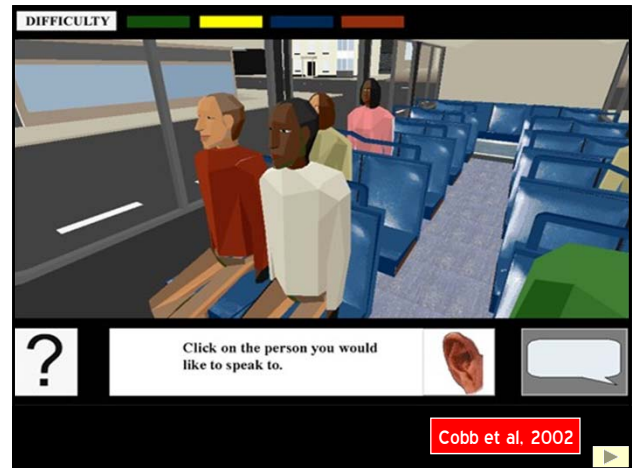
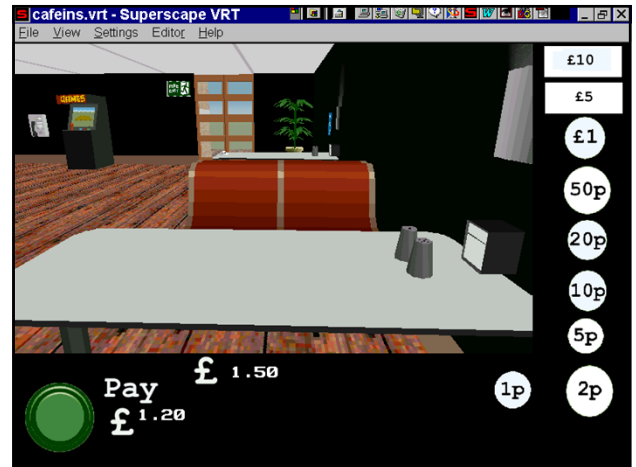
ANCOVA (estimated from data in the paper)
Type of audience, $p < .05$
Negative > positive = neutral.

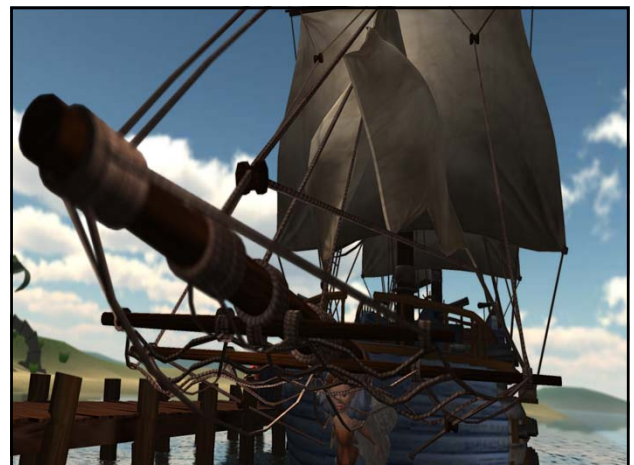
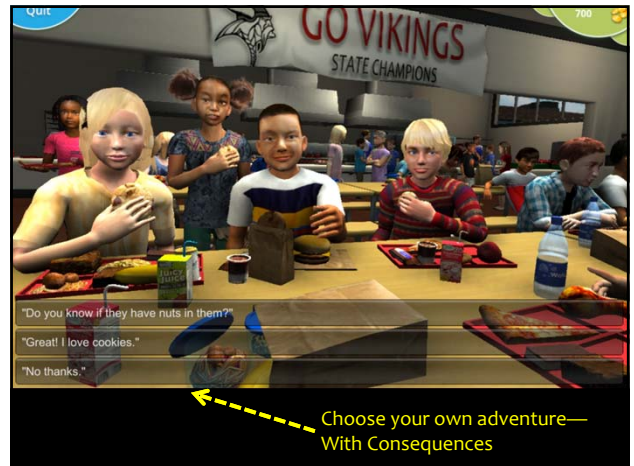
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Phobics React to Variations in Virtual Human States

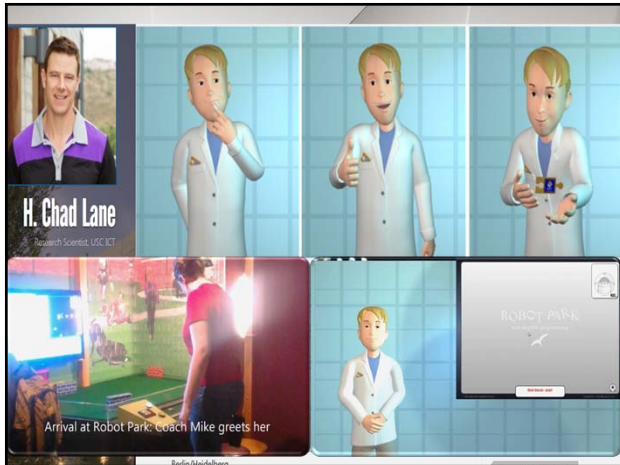


Virtual "City" (Brown et al., 1997)







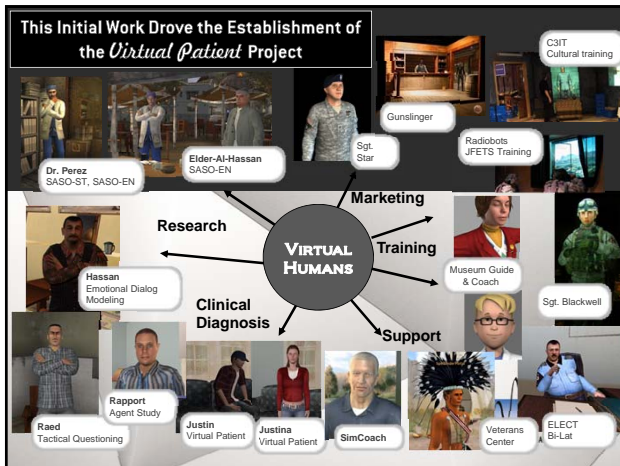


VIRTUAL HUMAN AGENTS

Autonomous virtual characters that can have meaningful interactions with human users

- Reason about environment
- Understand and express emotion
- Communicate through speech & gesture
- Play the role of teachers, peers, adversaries

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Collaboration with the USC School of Social Work Masters in Military Social Work Program

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Breaking Down Barriers to Care in Service Members, Veterans and their Families

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One Solution: SimCoach



Beta Test Site: <http://www.simcoach.org>

The Future

- Driver for Military & Civilian Health Care Research
- Voice Recognition
- Toolkit for Clinician Authored Expansion
- Expansion of Military Health SimCoach Characters/Topics
 - Sexual Assault, Depression, Suicide, Family Issues, TBI, Addiction, Fitness
- Expansion of Mil & Civilian Health SimCoach Applications
 - Clinical Training – online virtual patient training
 - BraveHeart (MLB/Atlanta Braves Welcome Back Vets Program)
 - Job Interview Training with Autism Spectrum Disorder
 - AMEDD Professional Quality of Life Assessment
 - Northwestern P20 Assertiveness Role Play Agent
 - **DCAPS/RUSS Testbed!**
 - Caretaker & Special Needs Support
 - Stress Resilience Mentoring
- Use of SimCoach Web Architecture for Other Purposes

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Mobile SimCoach




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DARPA: Detection and Computational Analysis of Psychological Signals (DCAPS)

Sim SENSEI

A Kiosk-Based Intelligent Healthcare Guide that can Sense your State



Using a WebCam, Kinect and a Microphone – to give “eyes” and “ears” to a SimCoach!!!

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Using OTS sensors to track Facial Expression, Body Posture, Hand Gestures and Vocal Prosody to Infer User State

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Virtual Human for Healthcare Support
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Louis-Philippe Morency, PI

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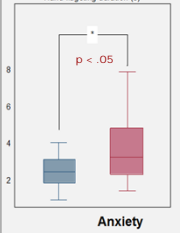
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Association between distress and fidgeting

Distressed subjects fidget longer

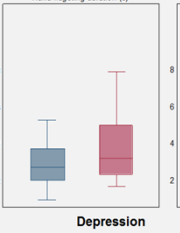
Similar pattern when looking at specific clinical states

Hand fidgeting duration (s)



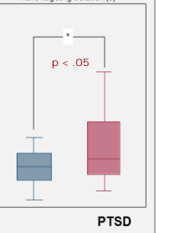
Anxiety

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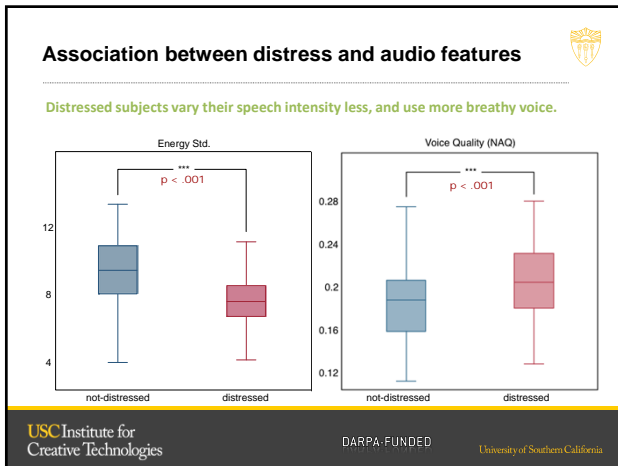
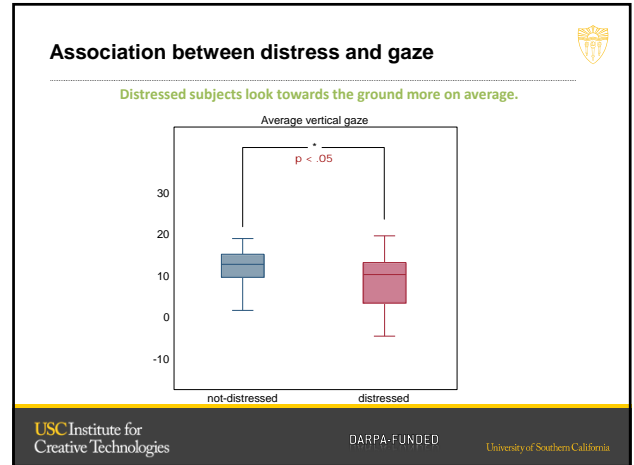
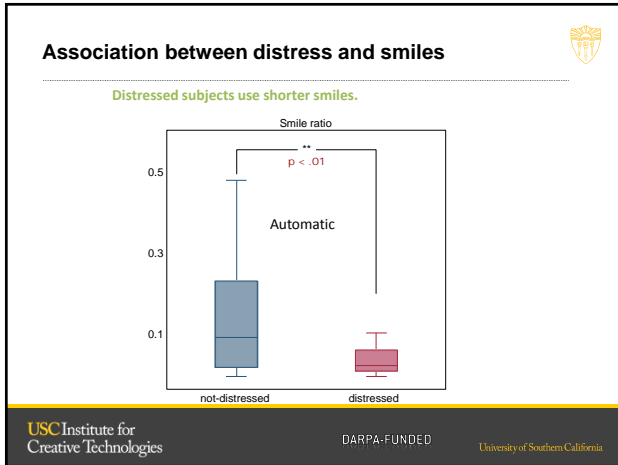
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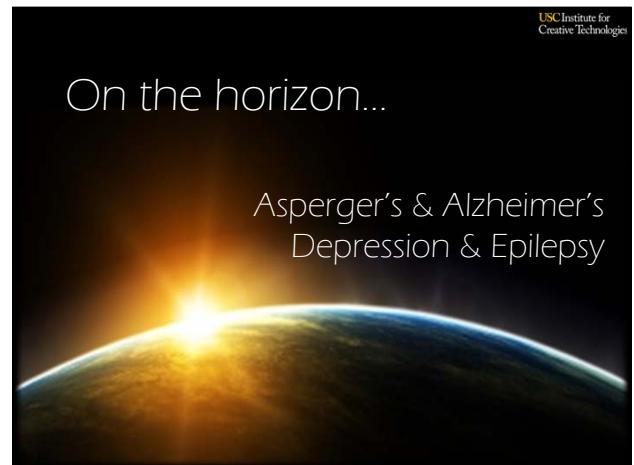
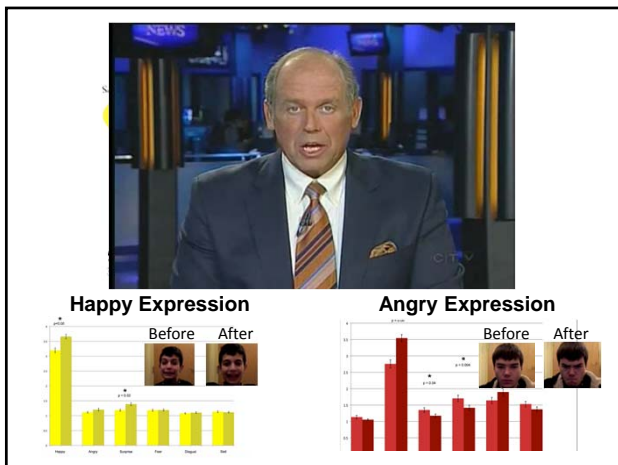
Can we train facial expression production in children with autism?

Jim Tanaka, Director of Centre for Autism Research, Technology and Education (CARTE) University of Victoria;

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Marni Bartlett, Institute for Neural Computation University of California,

Computer Expression Recognition Toolbox (CERT) decodes facial expressions in real-time. Developed by Dr. Marni Bartlett, UCSD, Machine Perception Lab



Soon to become a Job Interview Training System for Persons with Asperger's Syndrome



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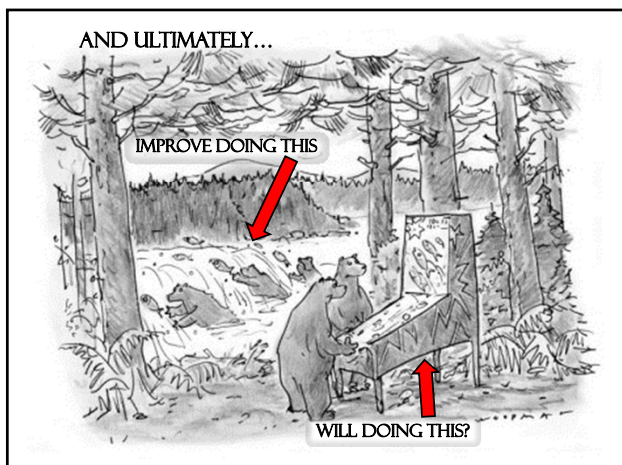
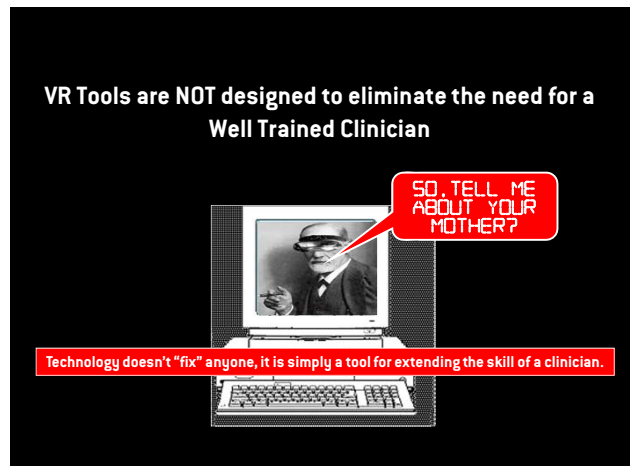
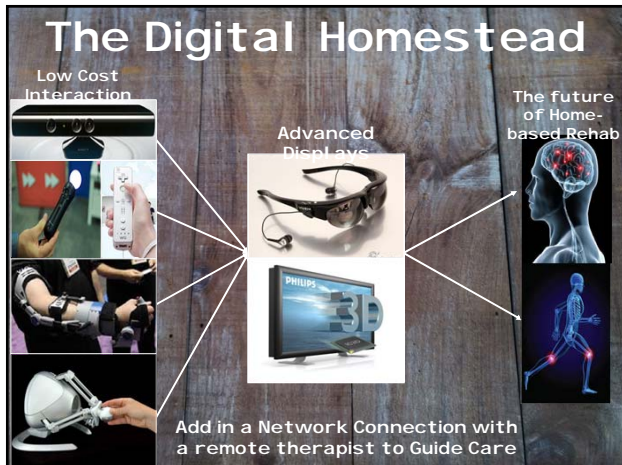


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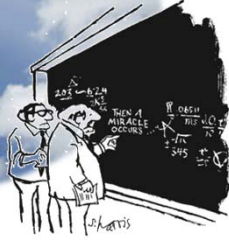
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