

# Human Model and Motion Based 3D Human Action Recognition in Multiple View Scenarios

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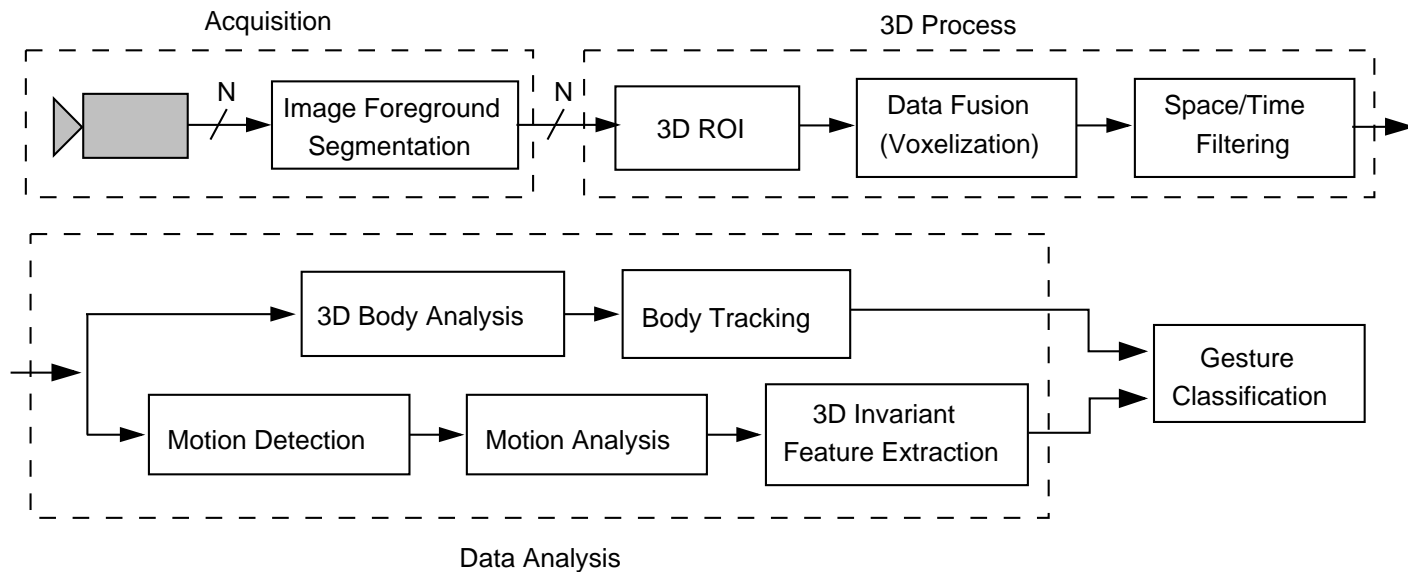
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# Objectives

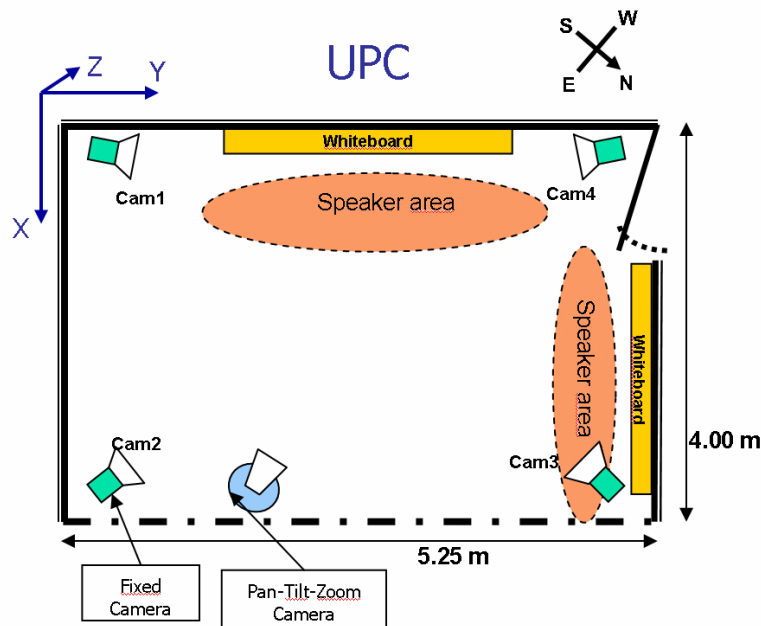
- Aim: Detect and analyze gestures of several people inside a space provided with multiple calibrated cameras
- Recognize a small set of actions (8) by using the data regarded by all cameras
- Tackle typical problems arisen when working with only one camera (occlusions, scale precision,...) by exploiting redundancy among cameras
- Exploit motion and the underlying human body structure of the action perform to enhance robustness

# System Overview



# UPC application: Smart Rooms

- Human activity monitoring and interpretation of the actions performed in indoor environments surveyed by multiple fixed cameras



# Data sample



# 3D Data Analysis & Fusion (I)

- Apply a robust Bayesian correspondence algorithm and tracking to detect spatial regions of interest among the foreground segmentation of all views.



# 3D Data Analysis & Fusion (II)

- Define a data fusion process:

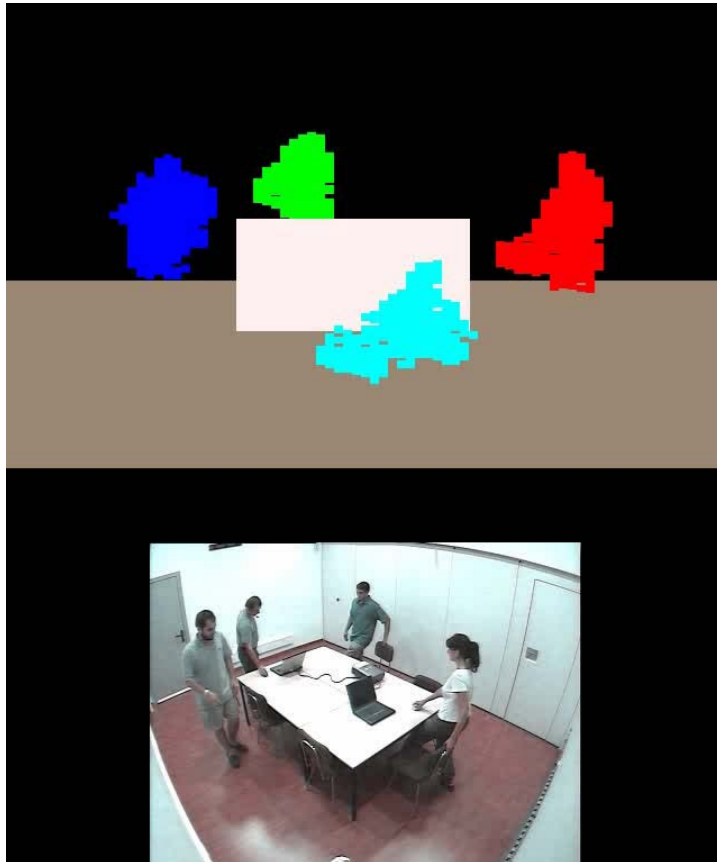
$$\Omega(\mathbf{x}, t) = \{I_n(\mathbf{x}, t), \beta^k(\mathbf{x}, t), R(\cdot)\}$$

that take into account:

- Segmented images  $I^n(\mathbf{x}, t)$  from all cameras
  - 3D Regions of Interest  $B^k(\mathbf{x}, t)$
  - A generic data fusion method  $R(\cdot)$
- Space/time spurious voxel filtering



# 3D Data Analysis & Fusion (III)



# Motion Analysis (I) - Objective

- Define a 3D motion representation extending *Bobick et al.* Motion History Image (MHI) and Motion Energy Image (MEI) to volumes
- Extract robust features over these representations to perform classification

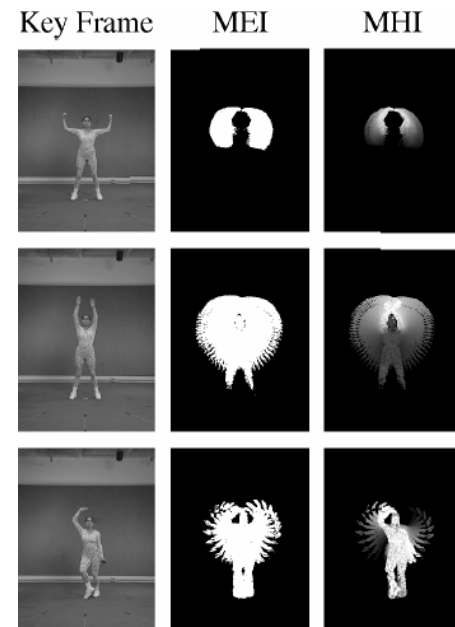
# Motion Analysis (II)

- *Bobick et al.* addressed the problem of monocular human gesture recognition by defining a space representation of motion: Motion History Image and Motion Energy Image



## Drawbacks:

- View dependent
- Sensitive to occlusions



# Motion Analysis (III)

- Motion History Volume (**MHV**) and Motion Energy Volume (**MEV**) are defined over the voxel reconstruction of the space



MEV



MHV

# Motion Analysis (V)

- Bobick overcome occlusions by computing features over  $N$  different views of the same gesture



**INFORMATION FUSION AT FEATURE LEVEL**

- We overcome occlusions by generating a data model from all information coming from all views and then computing features



**INFORMATION FUSION AT DATA LEVEL**

# Motion Classification Features

- Informative features derived from low level representations of motion (MHV, MEV) are required
- Features must be invariant to translation, scaling and rotation and robust
- 3D invariant statistical moments constructed through *Lo et al. (PAMI 1989)* method proved to be very suitable as features
- The feature vector describing motion is formed by 10 invariant statistical moments (5 computed over MHV and 5 over MEV)

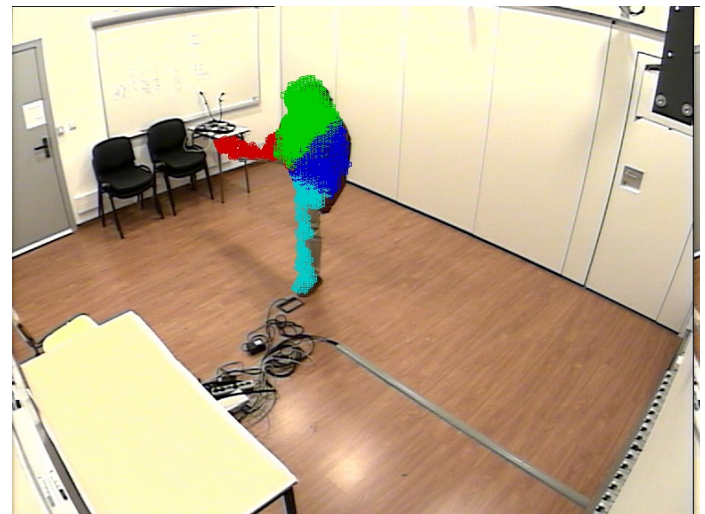
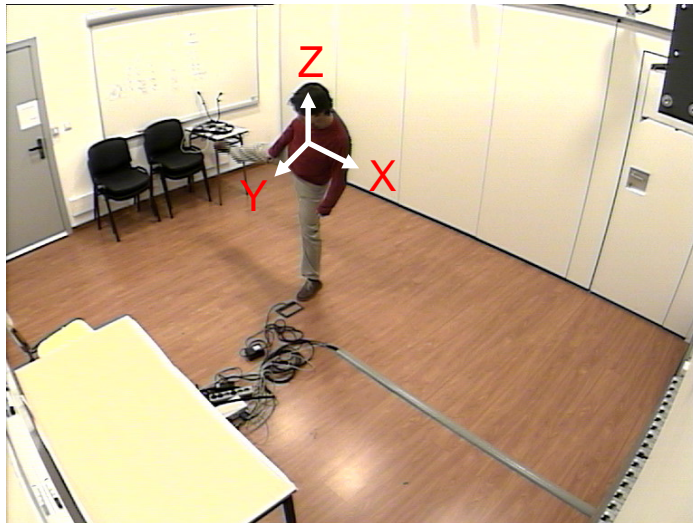
# Human Model Analysis (I)

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- Objective: Extract position of body parts (arms and legs) through a classification of the voxel reconstruction of the scene

# Human Model Analysis (II)

- Compute and track centroid and covariance matrix of the voxel representation of the person under study. Classify all voxels as belonging to one of the categories right/left-arm/leg





# Human Body Features

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- 4 body features are defined as the relative amount of motion (MHV) in each body part

# Classification

- 14 dimension feature vector is constructed putting together motion and human model features
- PCA is applied to data in order to achieve dimension reduction
- In the classification stage, a simple Bayes classifier produced good classification results (more sophisticated classification methods are still pending to be tested)
- 8 classes are tested in the classification obtaining an average error probability of  $p(error)=0.0154$



# Conclusions

- A multi-view human gesture analysis technique based on a data fusion scheme is presented
- Performance results with the feature fusion approach to this problem by *Bobick et al.* are similar but occlusion can be better handled by our data fusion method and complexity is considerably reduced
- Body model information increases performance and provides human limb position information

# Future research

- Features derived from the incoming 3D data are under research (Zernike moments, Fourier descriptors,...)
- More sophisticated classification schemes are being tested to increase correct detection rates

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