

Identifying people by their gait A summary of progress

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Sead became known as 'Basil' in the Hatton Garden gang

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A summary of progress

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2. How did we get here?
3. Where are we going?

Gait biometrics



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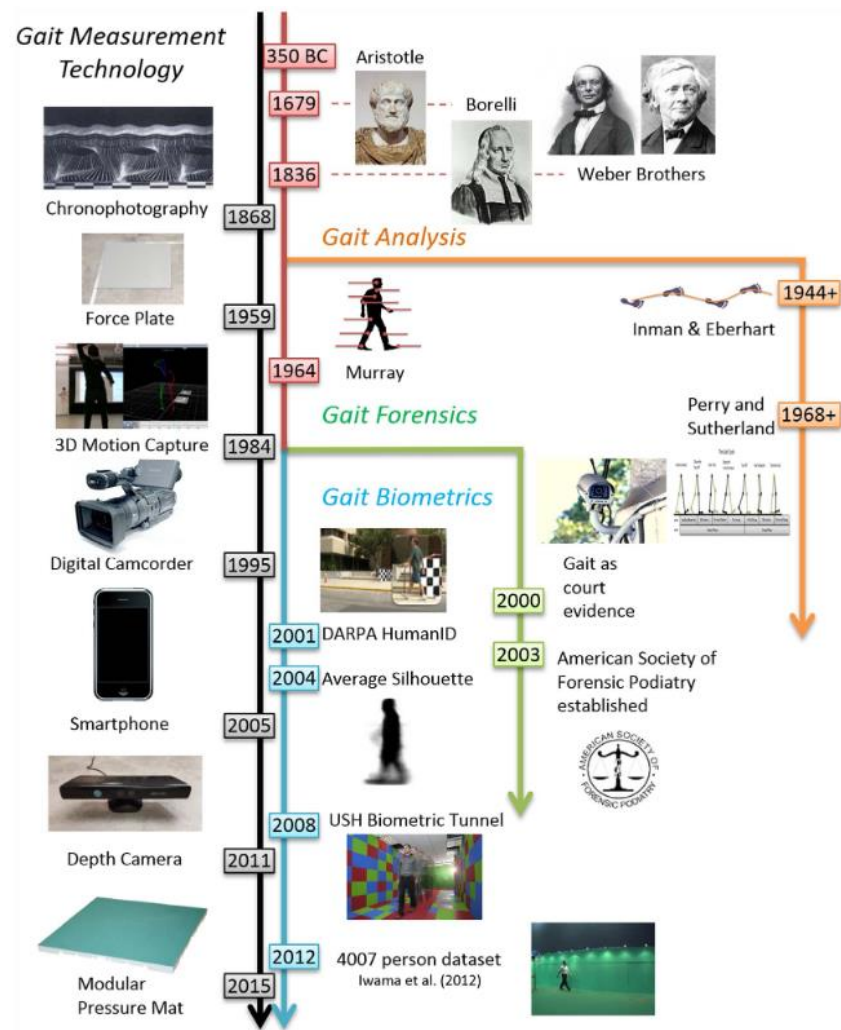
2000 years of progress

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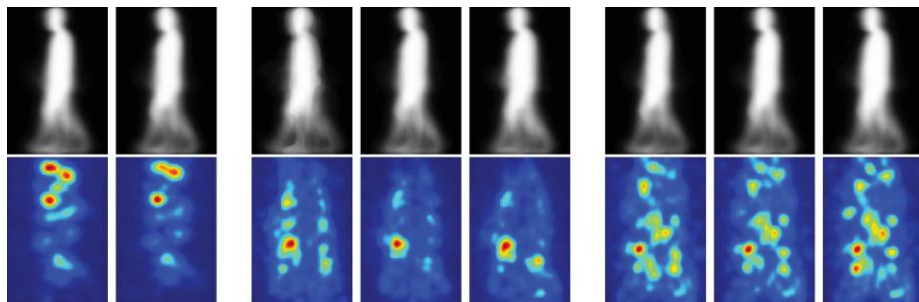
It is now widely accepted that people can be recognised by their gait

This is a consequence of desire, need and research, together with technological advance

Connor and Ross, Biometric recognition by gait, *CVIU* 2018



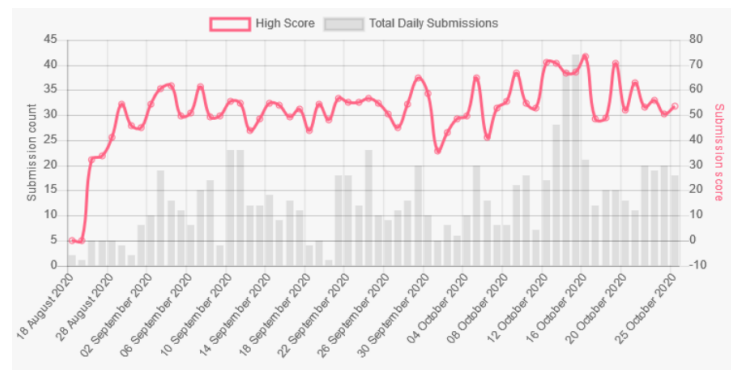
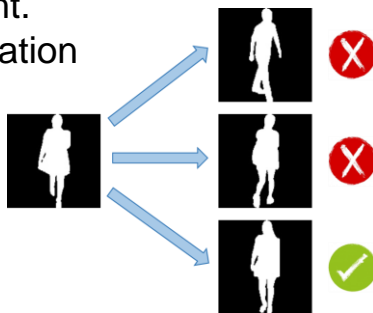
HiD competition, ACCV 2020



Top row: GEI for male, female, child, middle-aged, old, slim, medium and overweight.

Bottom row: corresponding visualization

CASIA E GEIs



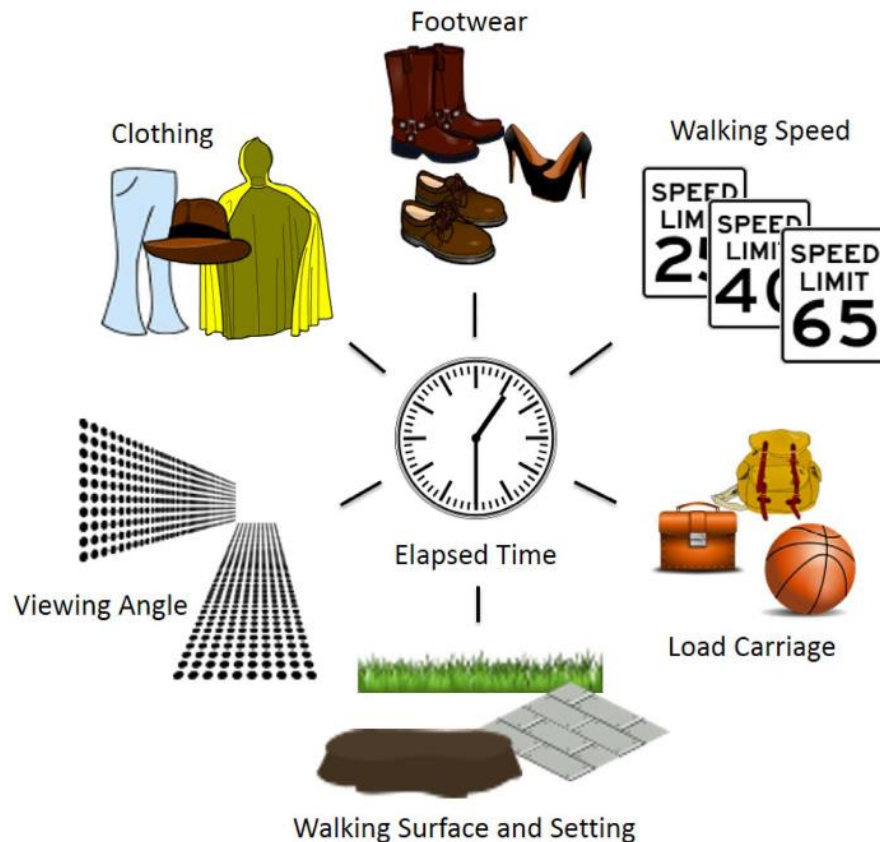
https://competitions.codalab.org/competitions/26085#learn_the_details

What changes?

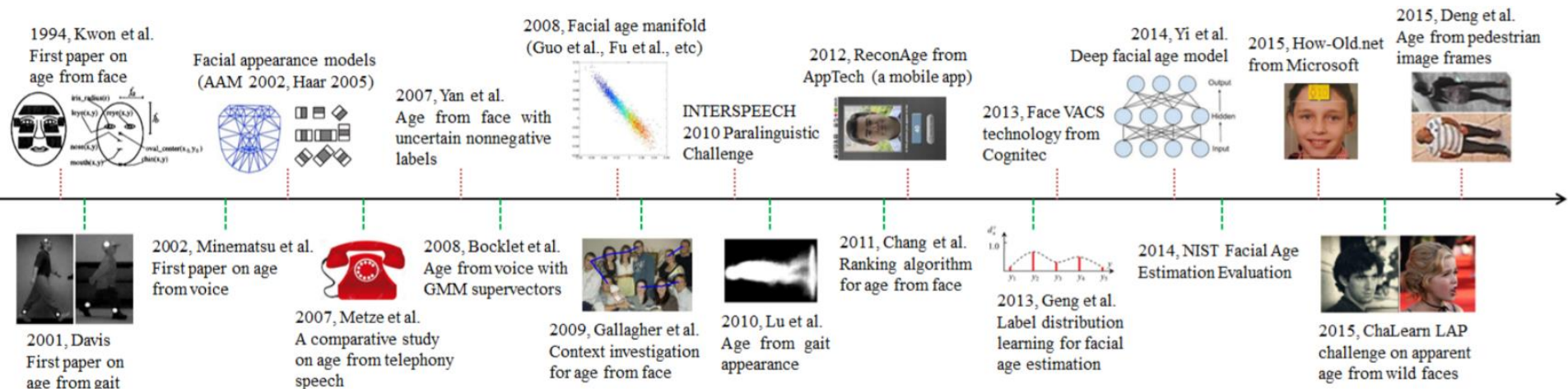
Many covariates can affect walking style

.... + health, drugs, mood,

.... but walking is a natural part
of our daily lives

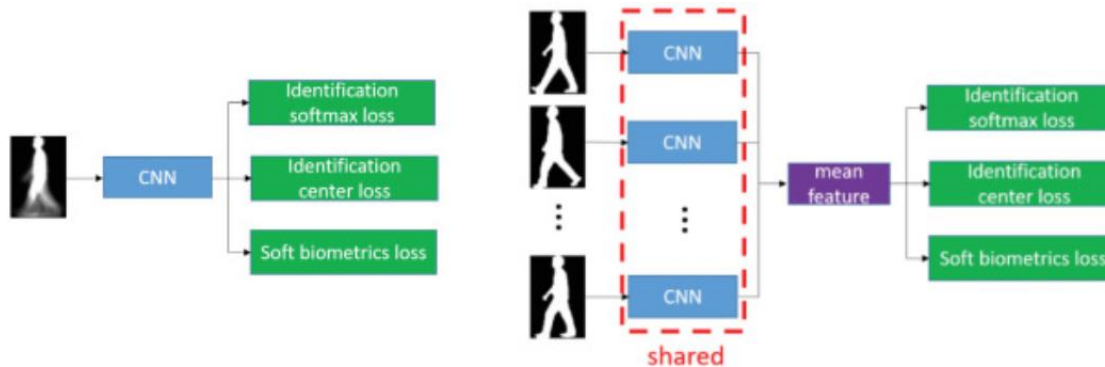


Biometrics and identity science



Major milestones in the history of automatic age estimation from biometric data

Hand crafted then; deep learning now



(a) Image level fusion

(b) Feature level fusion



(c) Network architecture

Gait biometrics databases

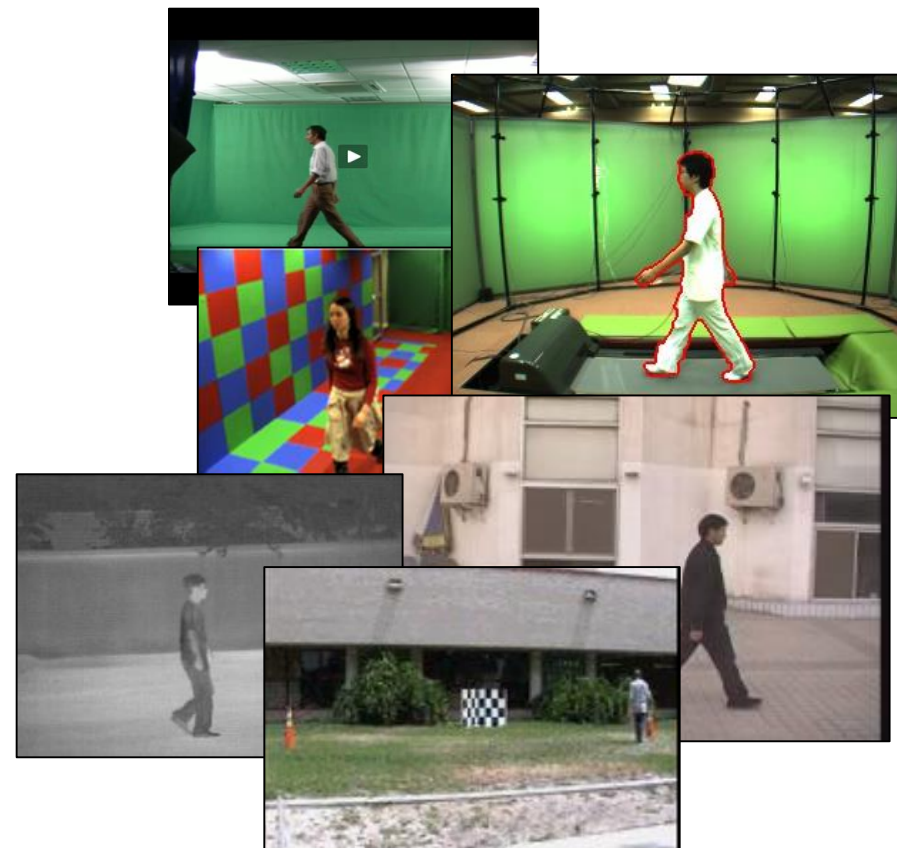
Laboratory

- Southampton 3D and 2D
- CASIA (+ multiview, thermal)
- Osaka OU-ISIR (+ multiview)

'Real' World

- HumanID
- Southampton
- CASIA

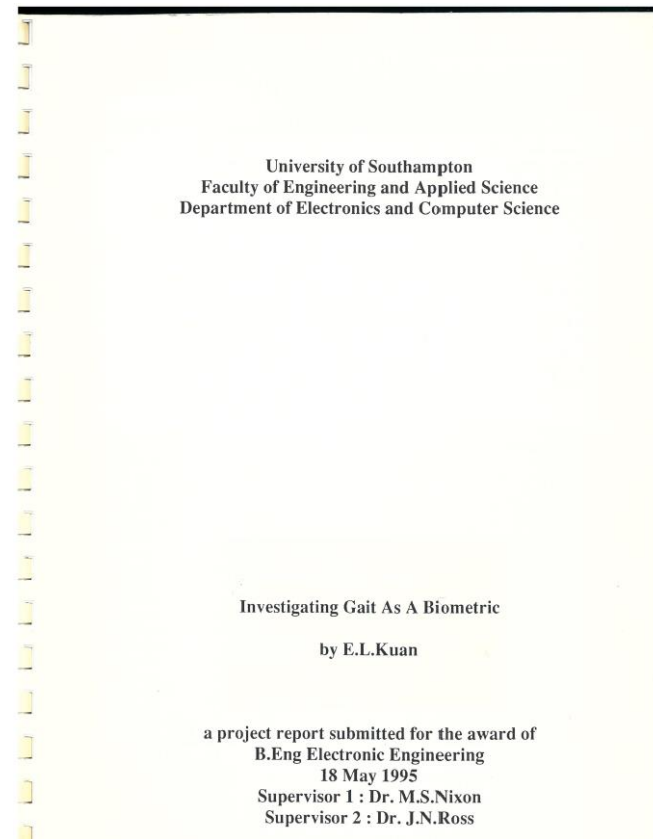
+ accelerometer, footfall, medical



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Technology in 1994



Gait and literature

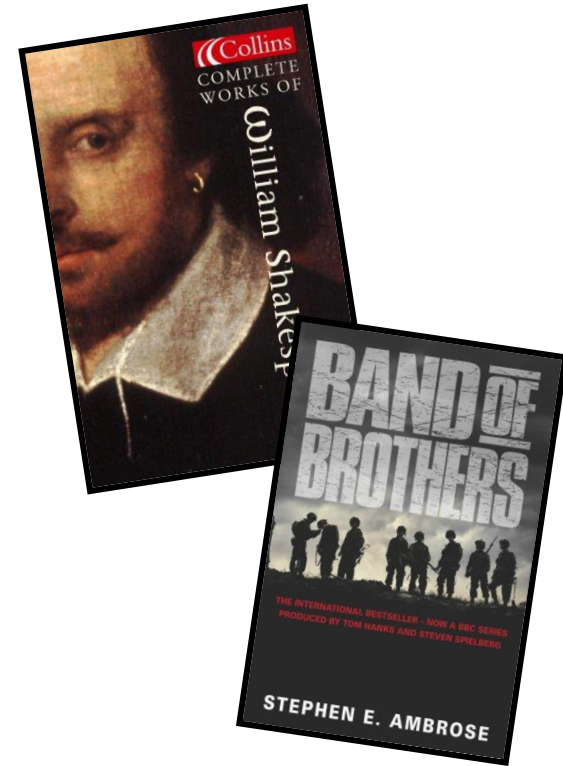
Dictionary: “manner of walking”

Shakespeare observed recognition:

“High’st Queen of state; Great Juno comes; I know her by her **gait**” [The Tempest]

“For that John Mortimer....in face, in **gait** in speech he doth resemble” [Henry IV/2]

Other **literature**: e.g. Band of Brothers: “I noticed this figure coming, and I realized it was John Eubanks from the way he walked”



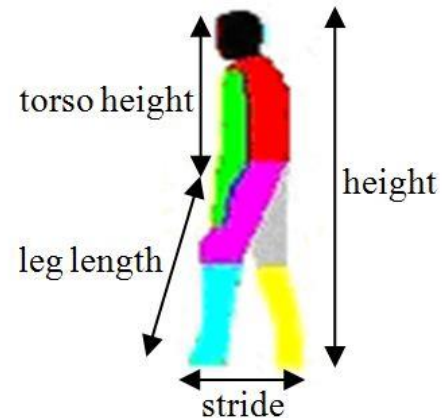
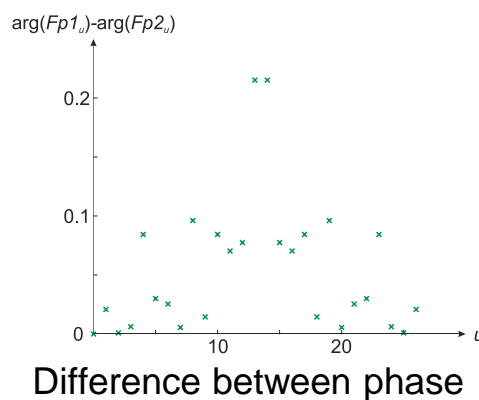
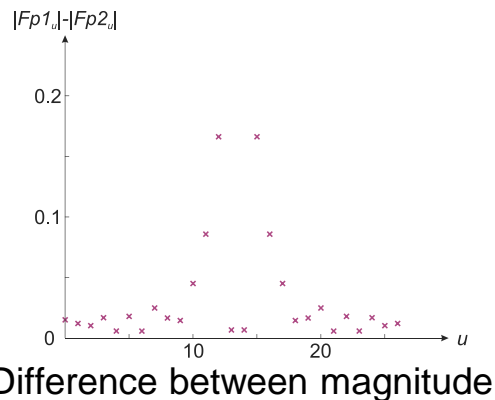
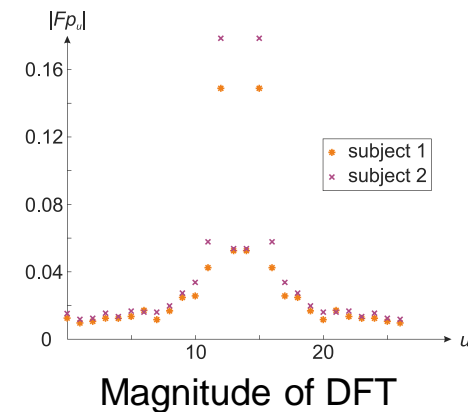
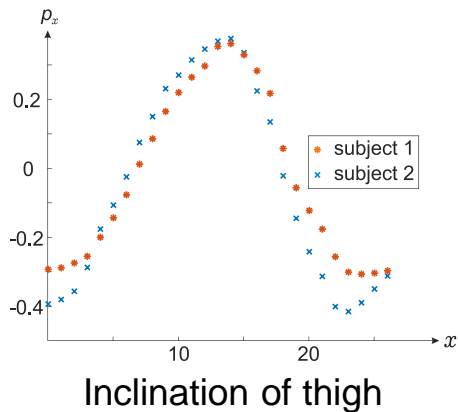
Early data



- 6 subjects; 7 sequences
- Sony Hi8 video camera
- Circular trackexhausted subjects?



Model-based recognition



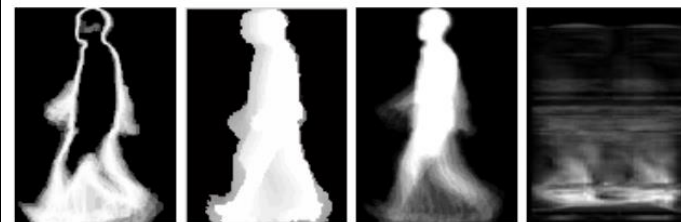
Other models are possible

Using silhouettes

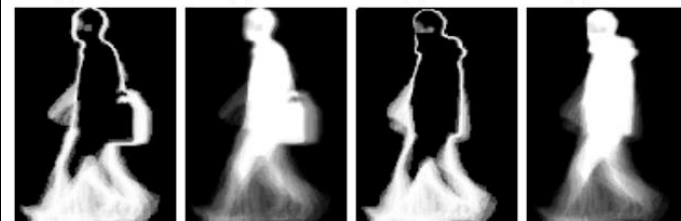
Some names: average silhouette, GEI



Gait Energy Image



(a) GEnI (b) MSI (c) GEI (d) SVB

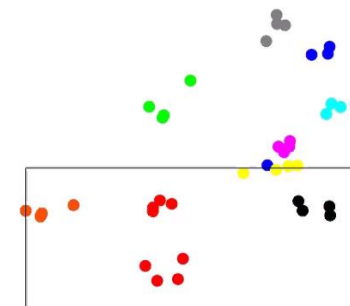
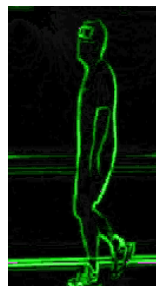
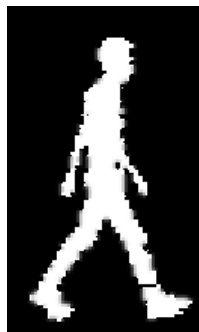


(e) Bag GEnI (f) Bag GEI (g) Coat GEnI (h) Coat GEI

Gait Entropy Image

Many gait representations possible

Recognising people from the motion of the **whole** body



silhouette

flow

edges

symmetry

acceleration

feature space

DARPA's Human ID at a Distance



Does gait biometrics really work?



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g of sample 4961: Load...
g of sample 4961: locating gait cycle
g of sample 4961: Calculating average
g of sample 4961 successfully
Liz (dist=3.576)
Lee M (dist=6.690)
Daisy (dist=6.696)
#Isabel (dist=7.000)
Mark N (dist=7.719)
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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUwINc0xAgQ>

BBC1 Bang Goes the Theory
Episode 1, 2009



US demonstration



Saturday Night Live 2002

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Identity science

Science/ technology

Covariates and exploratory variables

Soft biometrics

Spoofing

Deep architectures

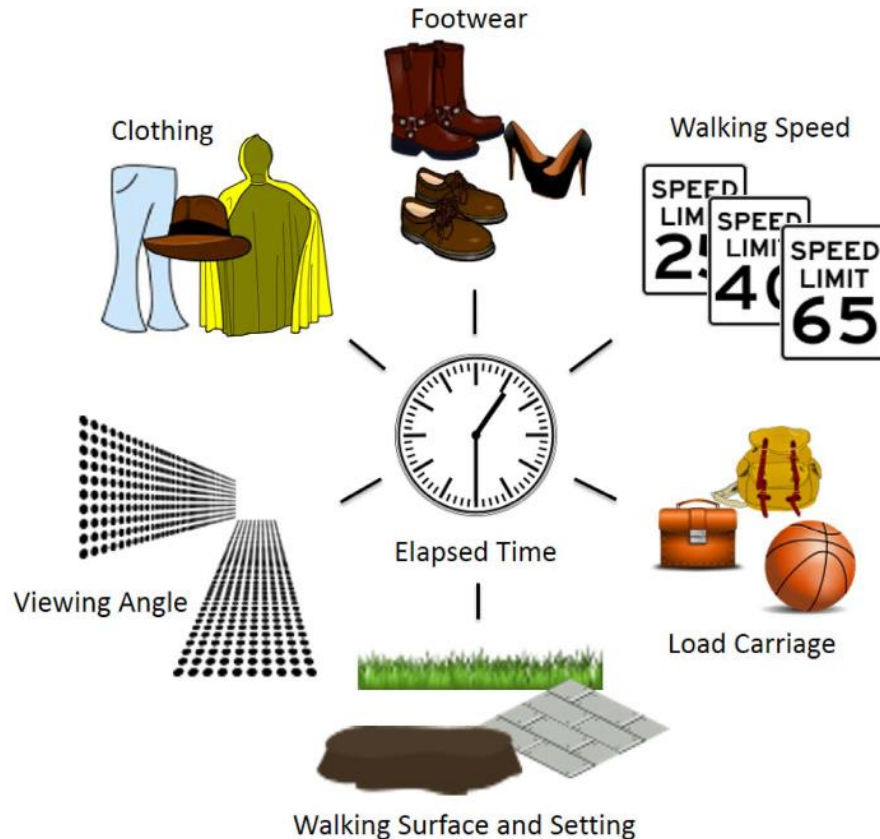
Applications

Medicine (dementia, balance, falls)

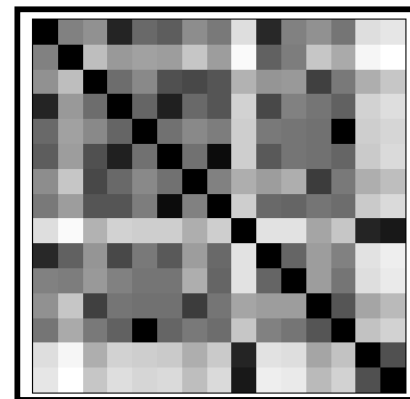
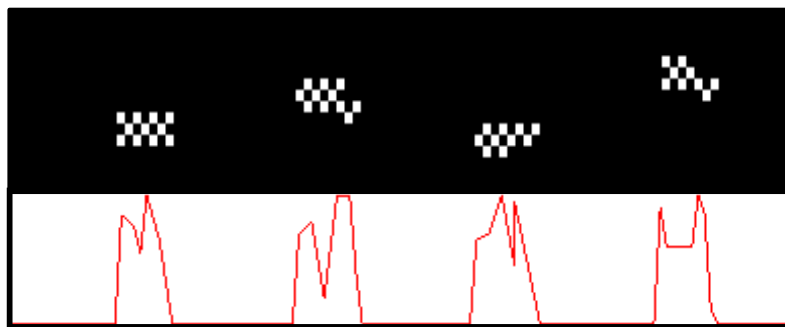
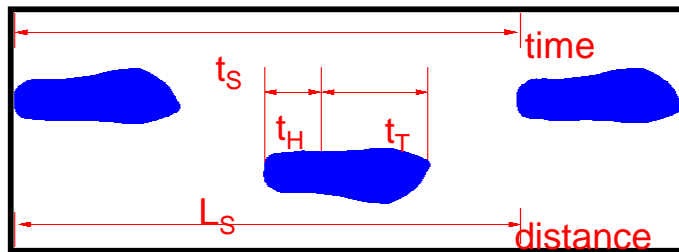
Sports

Security

Marketing

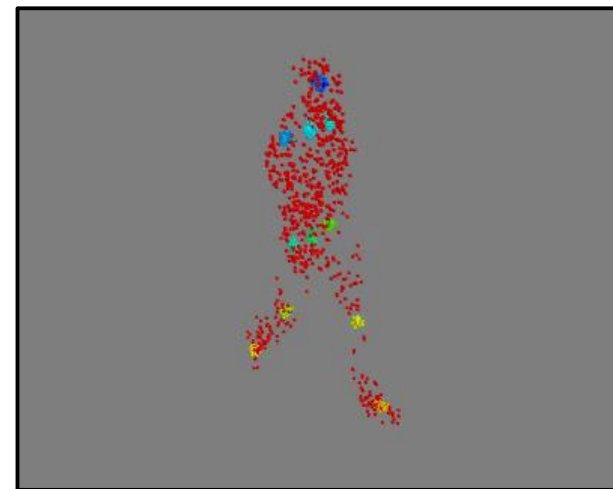
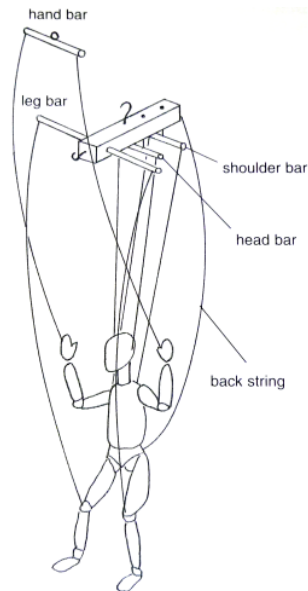
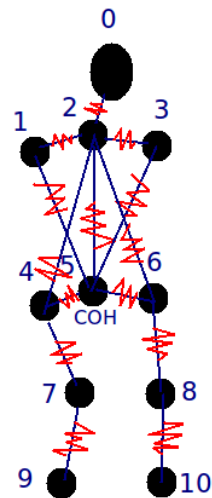


The first intelligent carpet



192x32 binary sensor array

3D recognition – marionette based



Gait as evidence: murder case in Australia 2014



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TRUE CRIME SCENE
The crime, told from the latest investigator

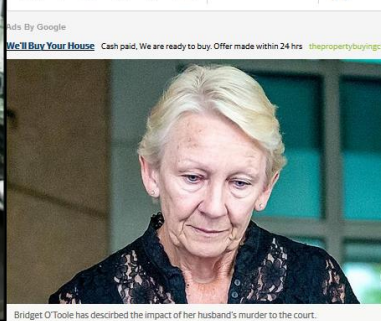
Murdered jeweller Dermot O'Toole's widow Bridget says her husband would be alive if his killer Gavin Perry wasn't out on parole

PADRAC MURPHY HERALD SUN JUNE 24, 2014 2:59PM

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EYE CATCHING
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60 Minutes Australia: Eye Catching



Bouchrika, Nixon, Carter, *J. Forensic Science* 2011, and *Eusipco* 2010

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F1b_apXjjV0&feature=youtu.be

Descriptions and attributes for identification

Eyewitness statement
“24 year old male average height
wearing shirt”

Generate description

Image of crime



Subject	Gender	Age	Height	Nose W	Top
?	M	24	171	2.4	Shirt

Database of images



Generate descriptions

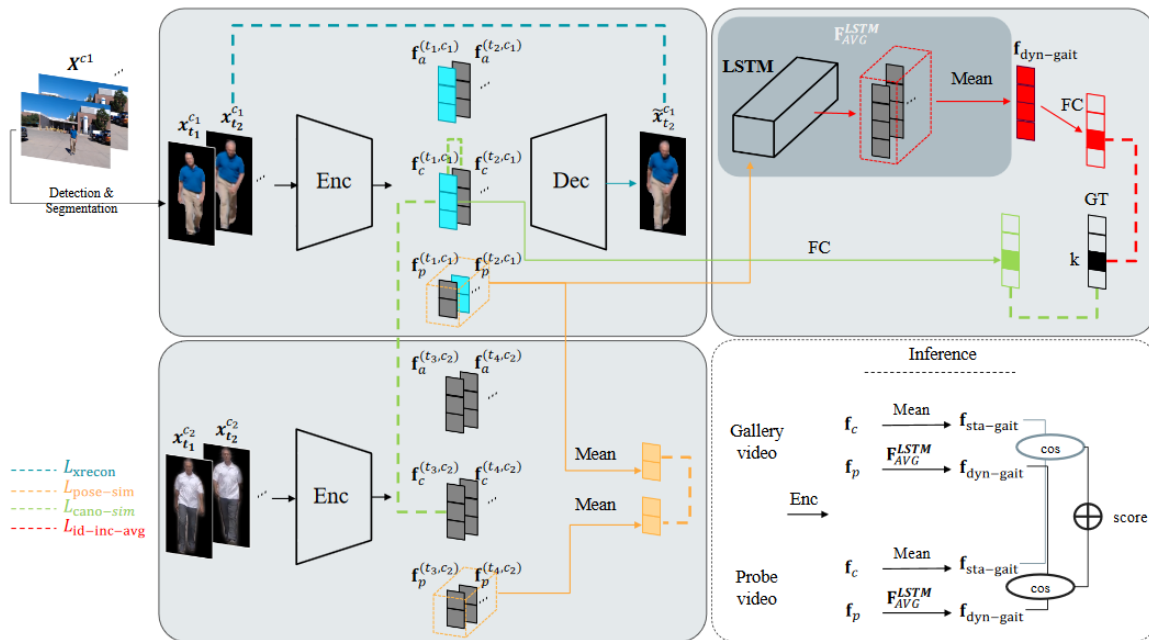
Subject	Gender	Age	Height	Nose W	Top
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123457	F	36	156	2.2	Blouse
123458	M	58	182	1.2	T shirt

**Database of
descriptions**

Recent works



Fig. 1. Samples from the KinGaitWild dataset



SE Bekhouche, A Chergui, A Hadid...,
 ICIP 2020

Z Zhang, L Tran, F Liu, X Liu,
 IEEE TPAMI 2019

Conclusions

Yes, gait **works**

Society will **benefit** more

The technology is **grounded** in science, literature, medicine +

We have more to **learn**

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