

‘Visual-fidelity’ dataglove calibration

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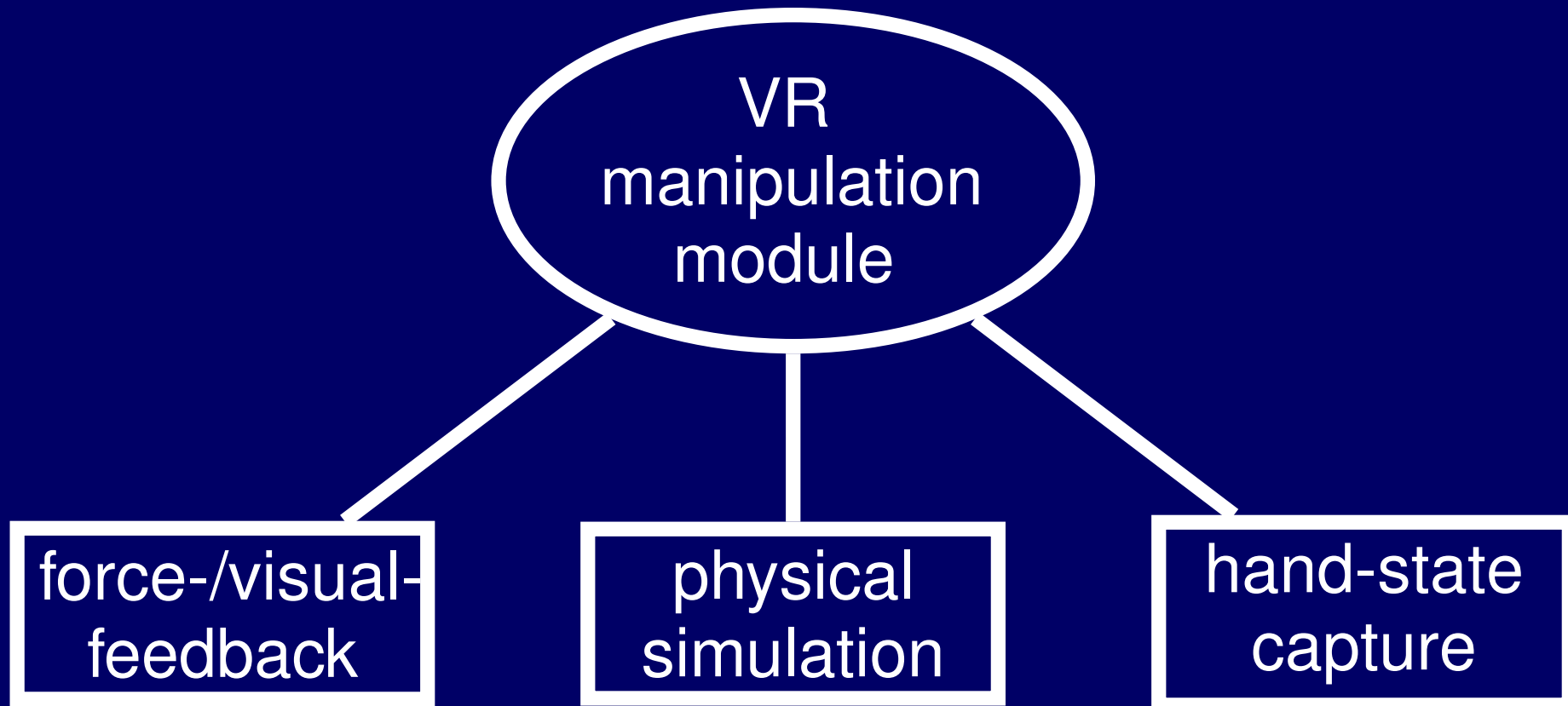
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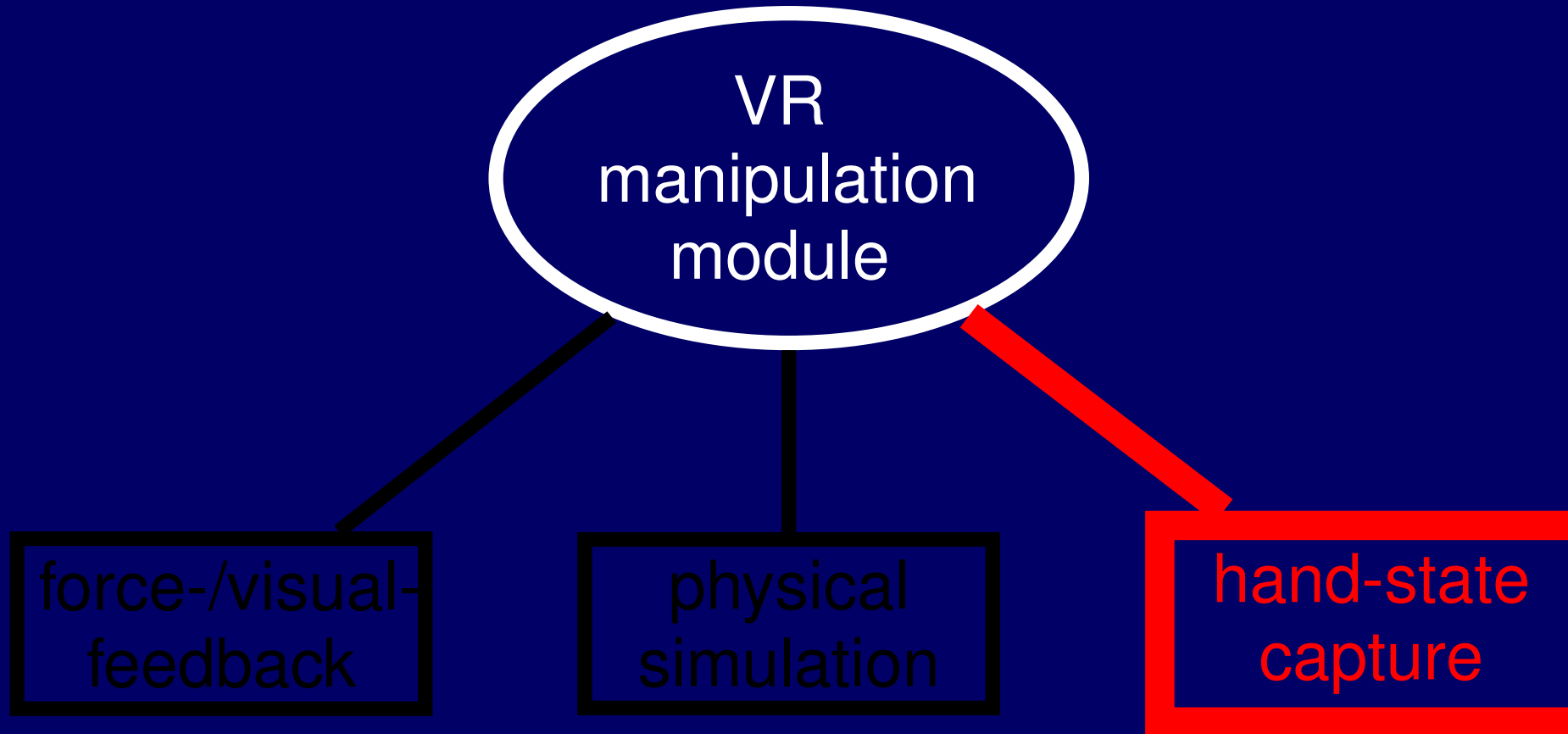
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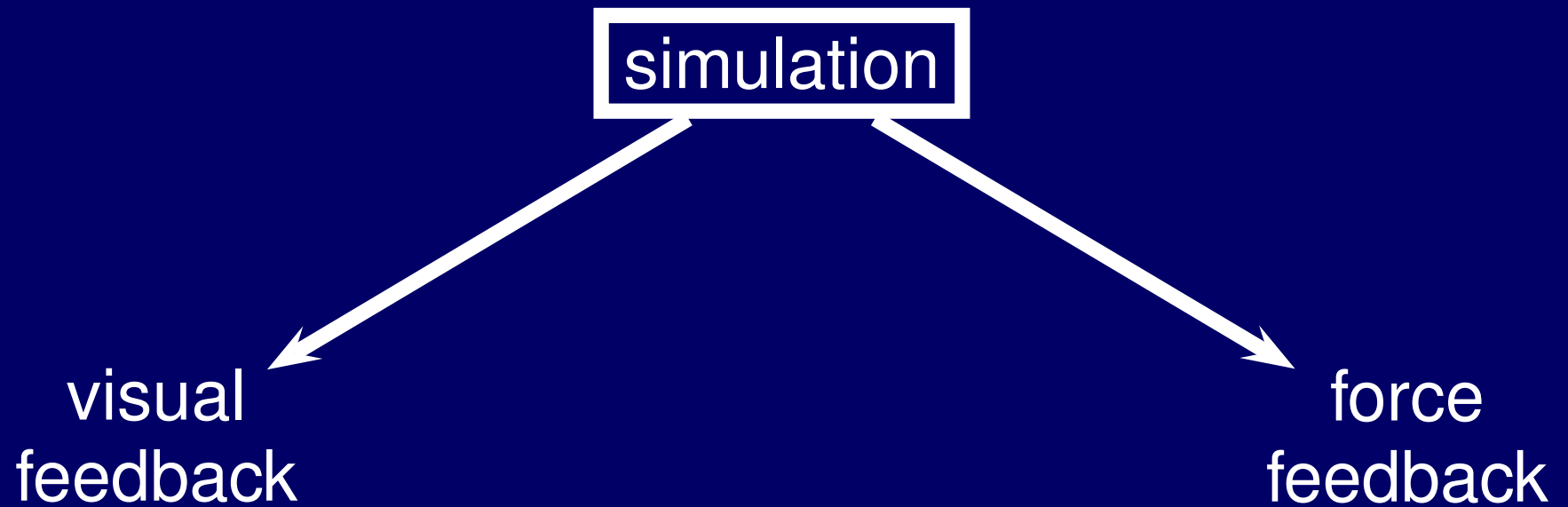
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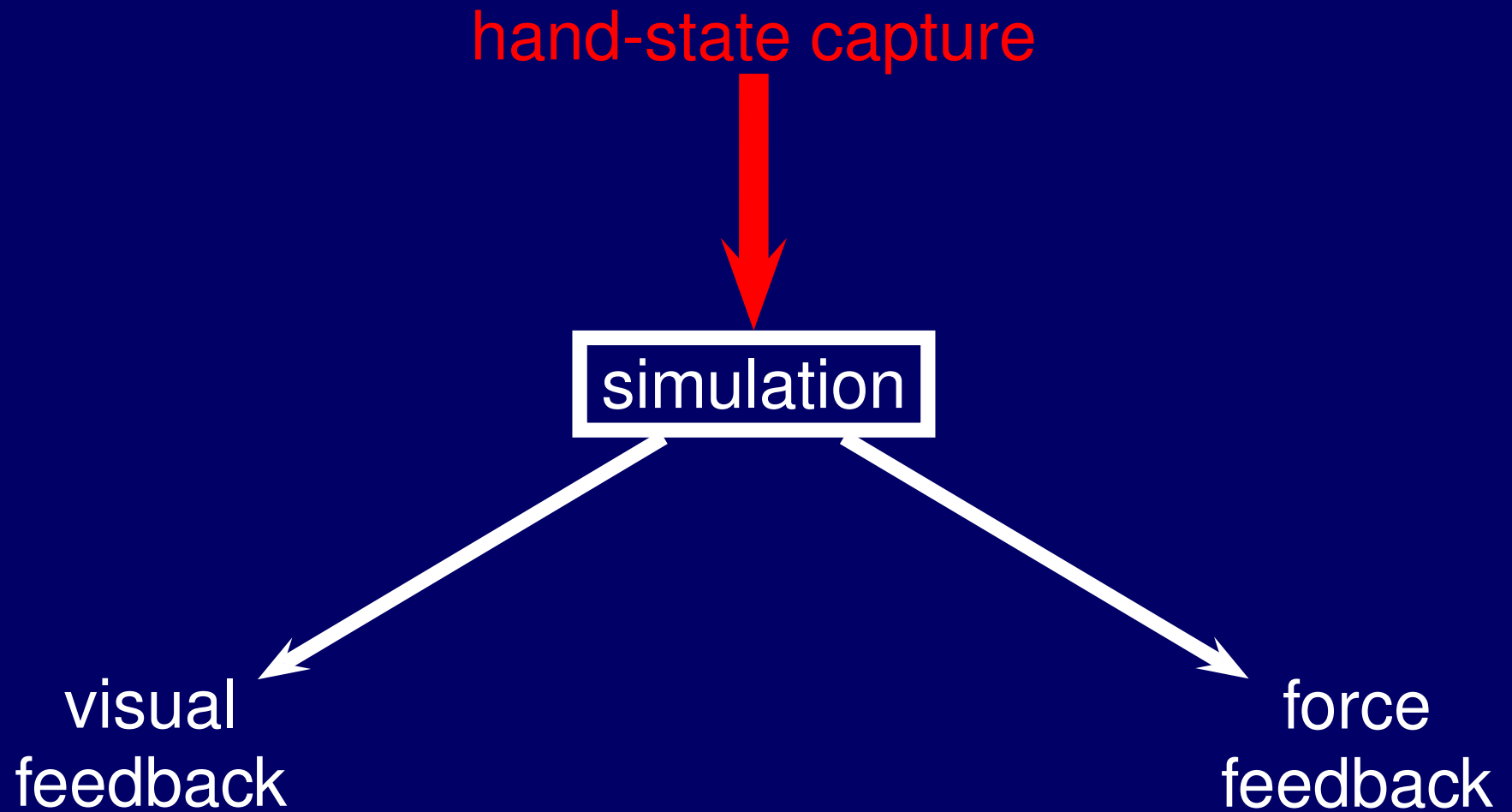
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- hand-state capture
 - hand-master (exoskeleton)
 - high-DOF datagloves
 - work (more or less) 😊
 - *de facto standard* 😊
 - expensive 😞
 - intrusive 😞
 - vision-based methods
 - promising (non-intrusive, inexpensive) 😊
 - do not work 😞😞😞

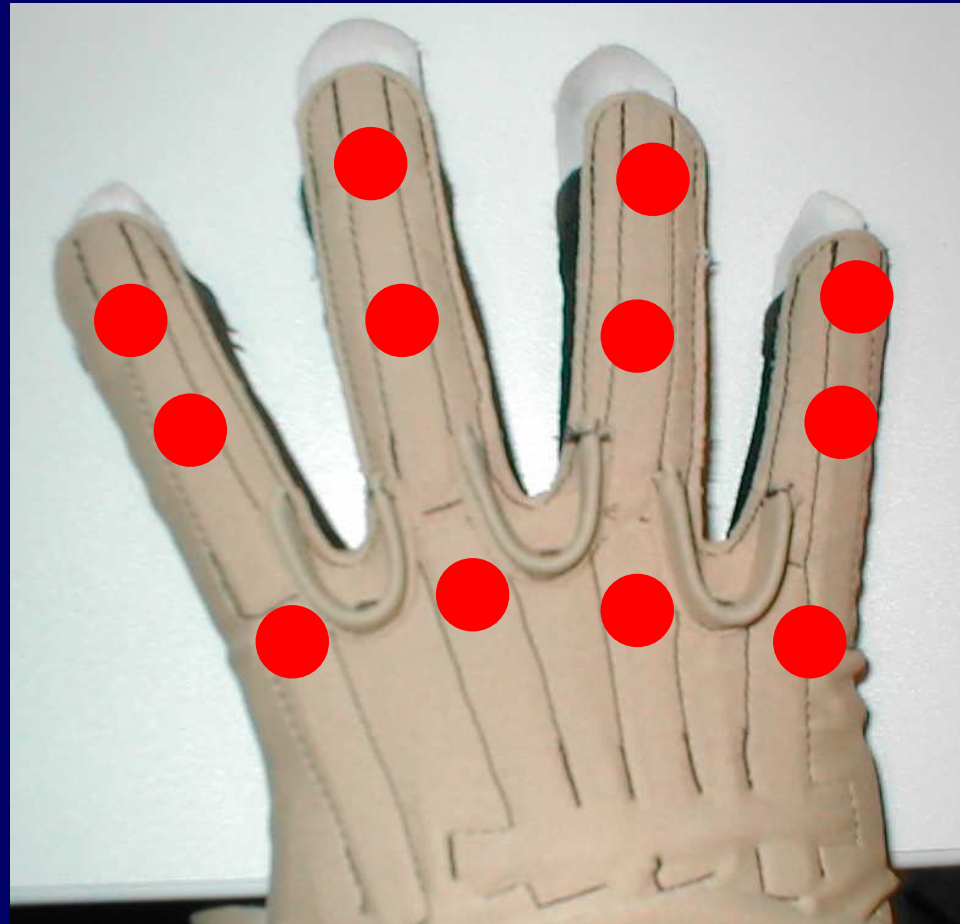
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- flex sensors (up-down, fist)



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- abduction sensors (left-right)



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- measure: sensor readings
- need: joint-angle values
- define a function f_i and determine its parameters $\omega_i : \theta_i = f_{\omega_i}(\mathbf{s}_i)$, where
 - θ_i : i -th joint angle
 - f_{ω_i} : mapping from sensor space to θ_i with parameters ω_i
 - \mathbf{s}_i : set of sensor readings used for the mapping

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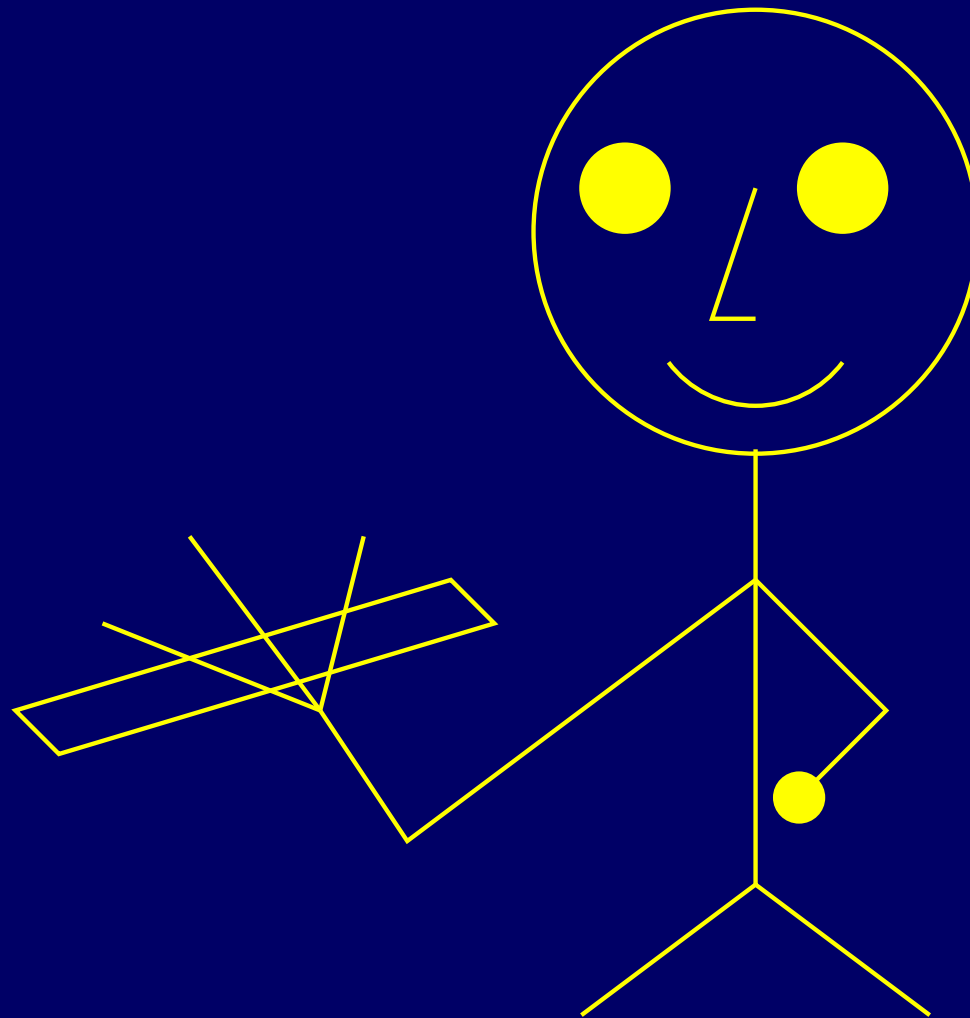
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- great(er) absolute accuracy = the only way?
 - no, because...

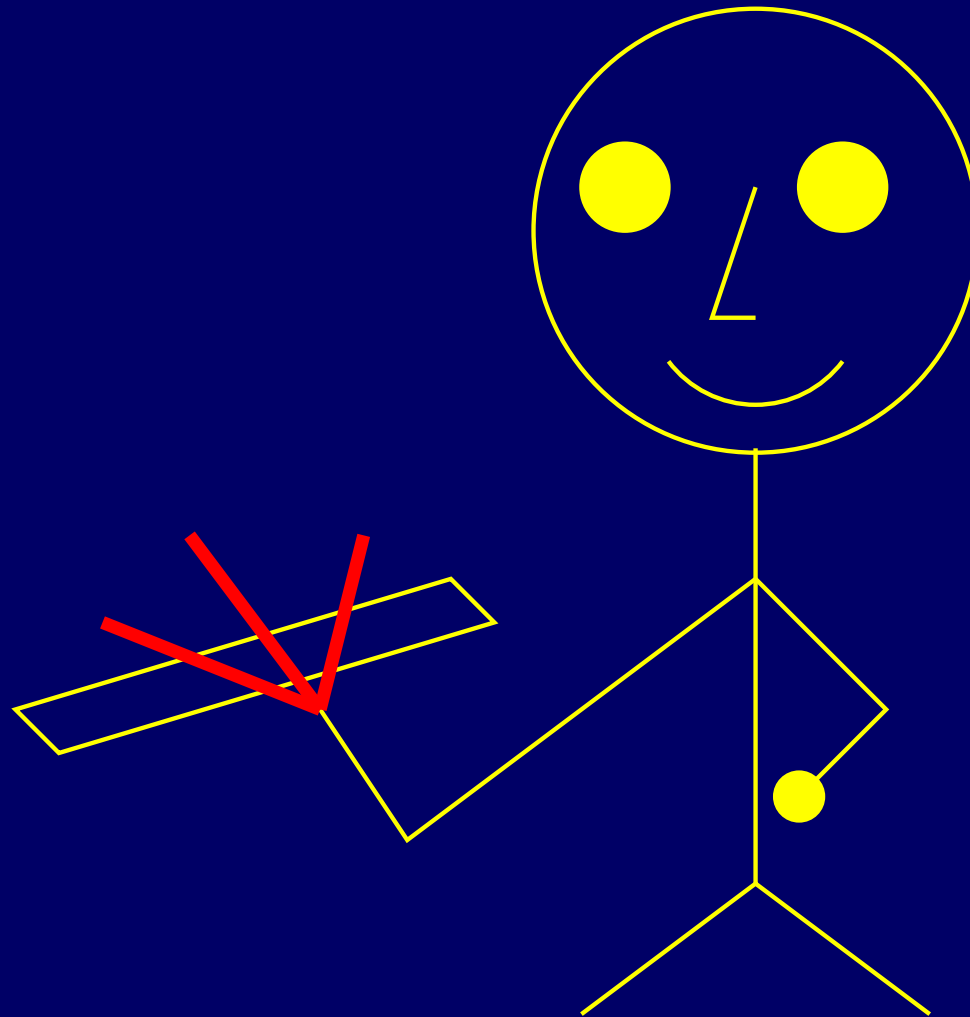
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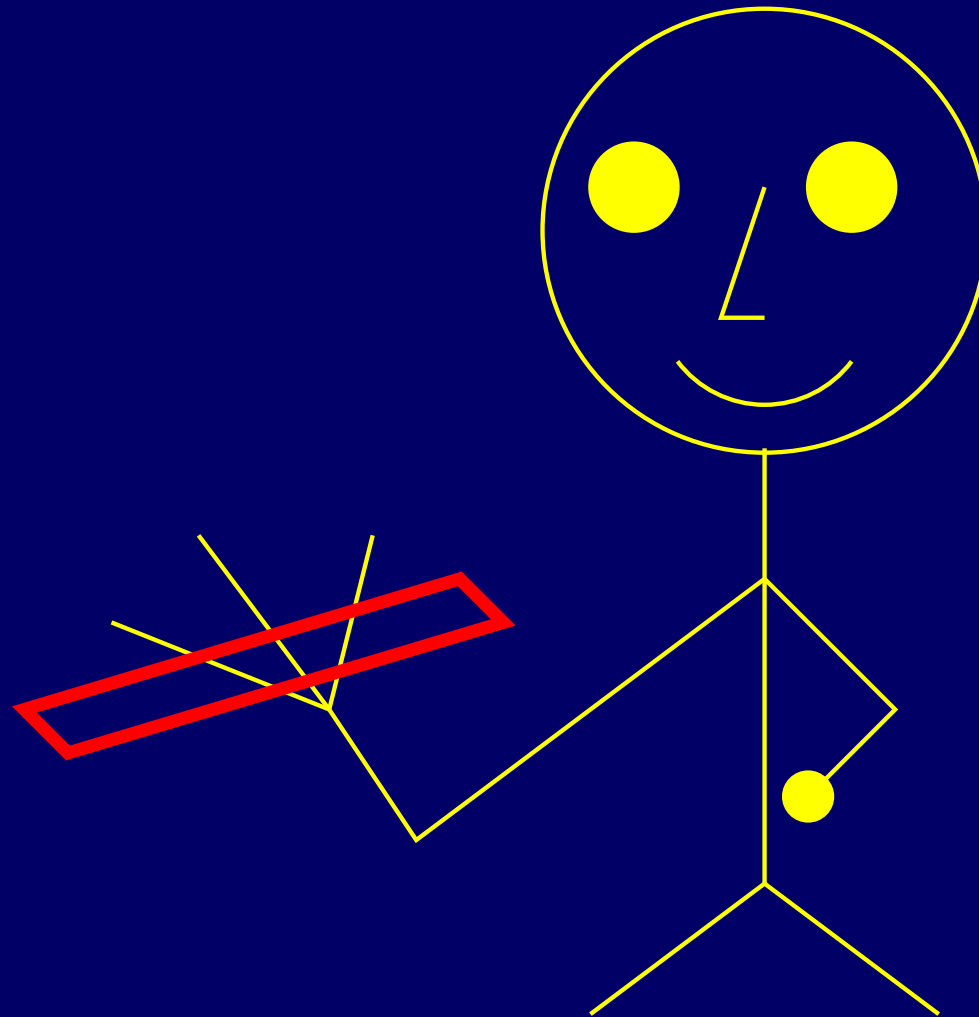
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- ... fine-manipulates...



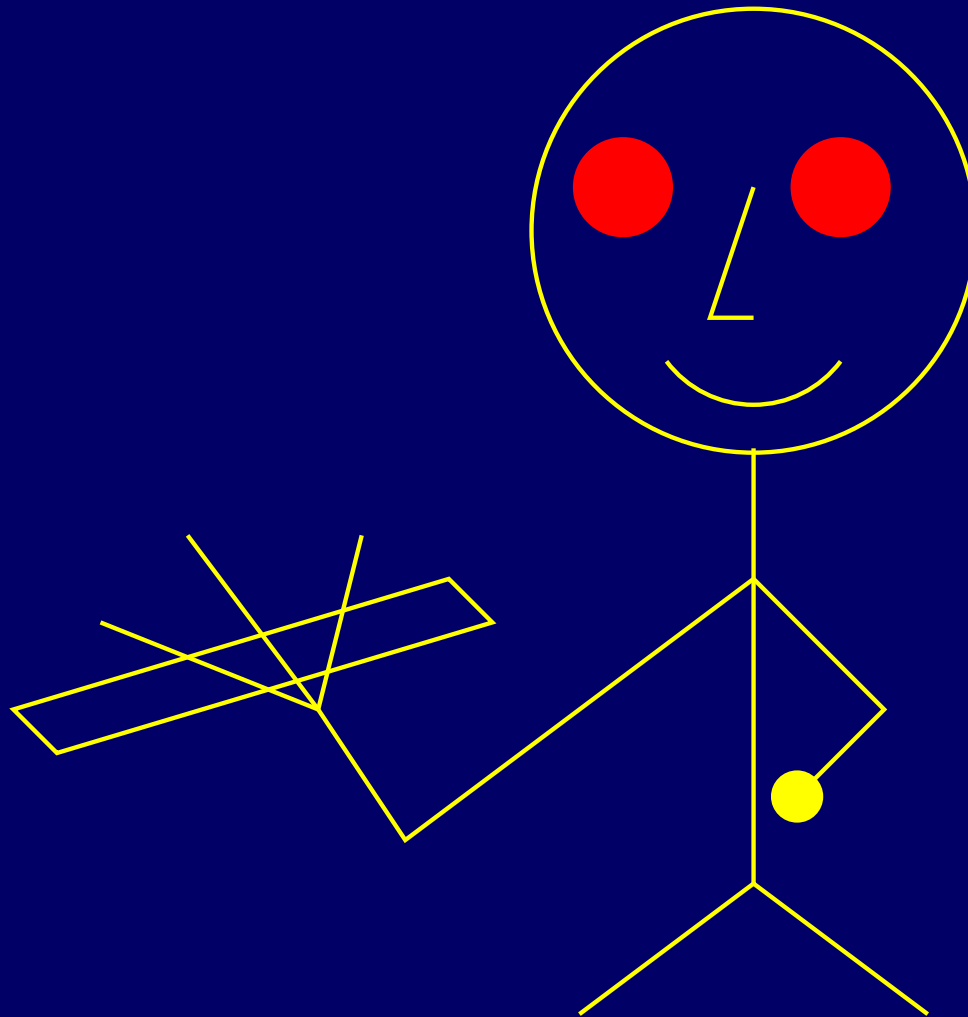
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- ... a real object...



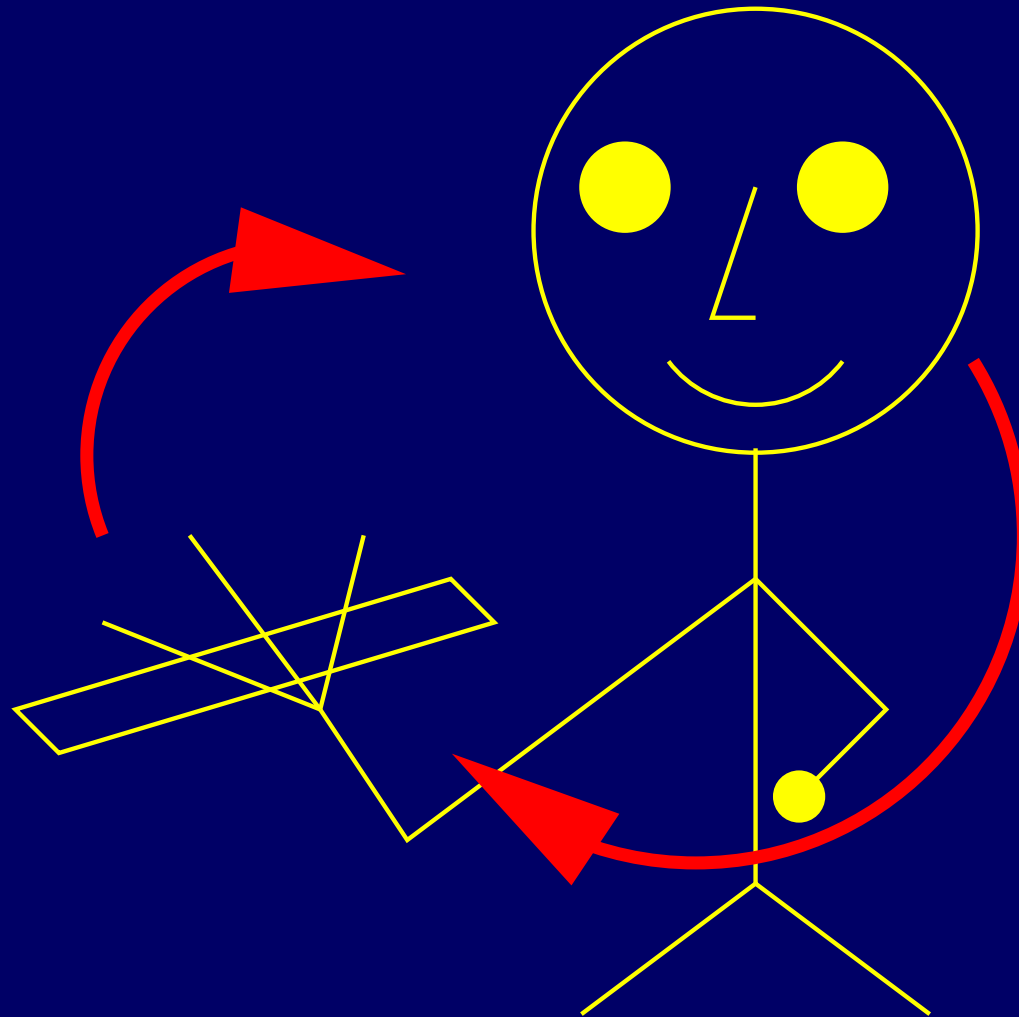
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- the most important feedback is visual



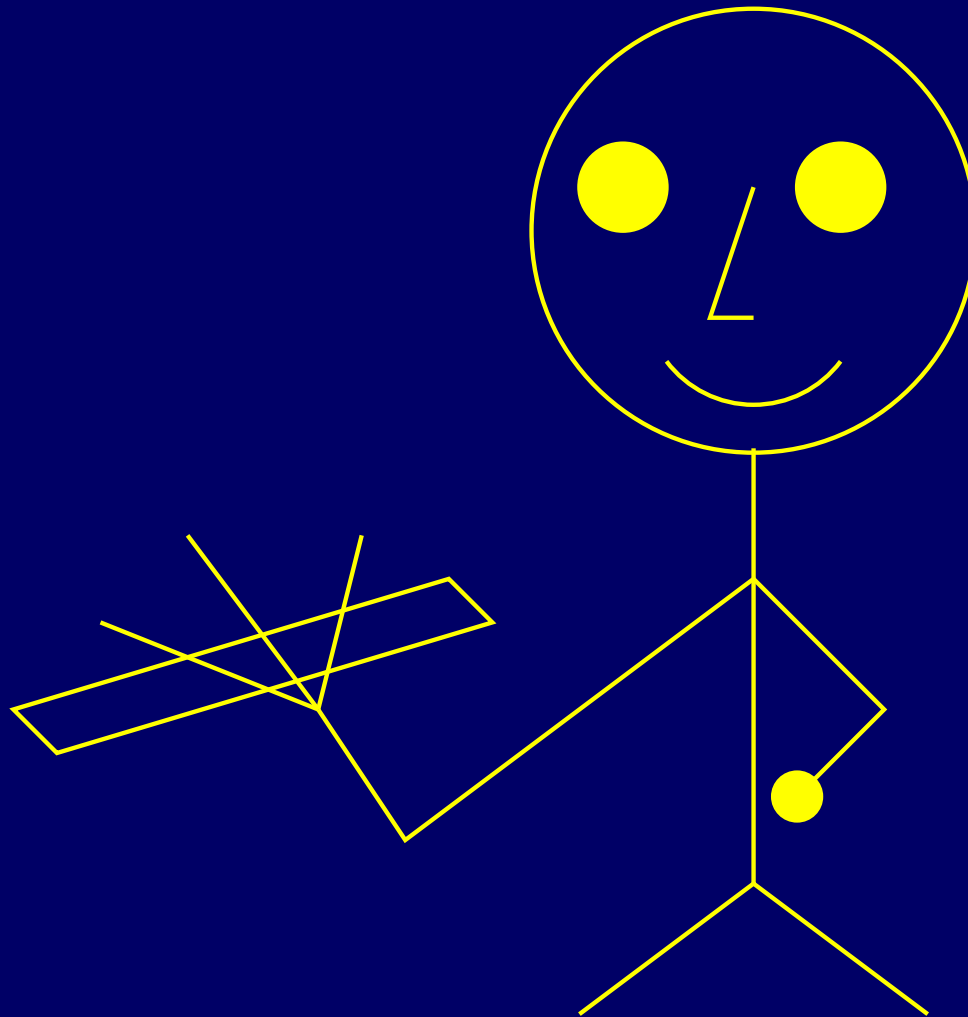
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- perception action loop



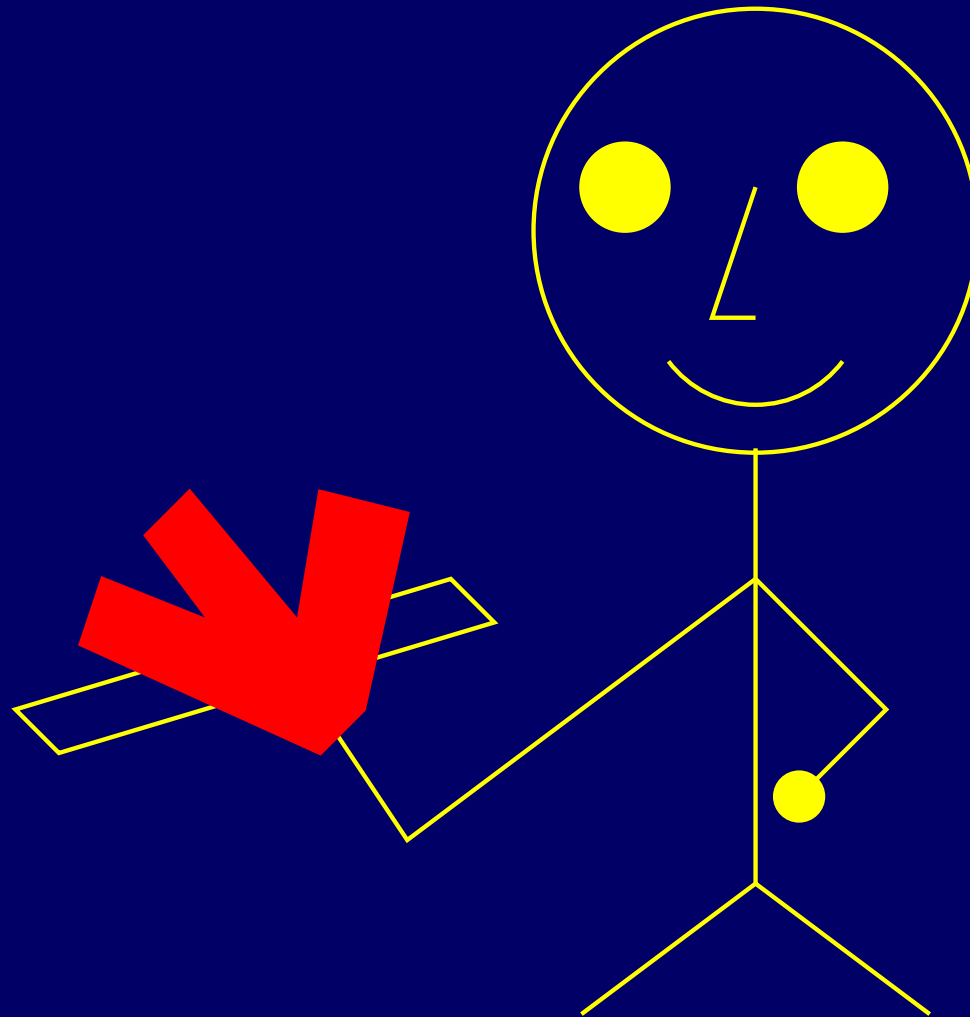
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- Now if she...



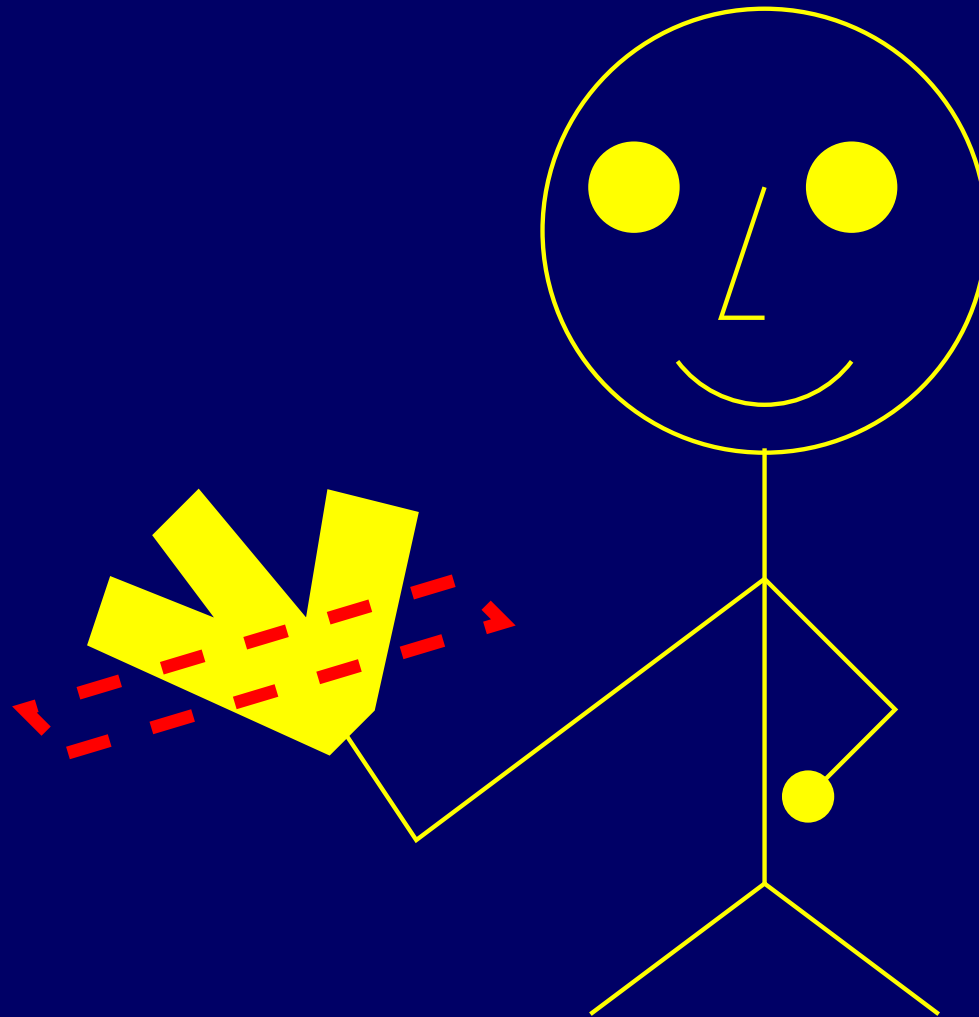
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- ... gets a dataglove to manipulate...



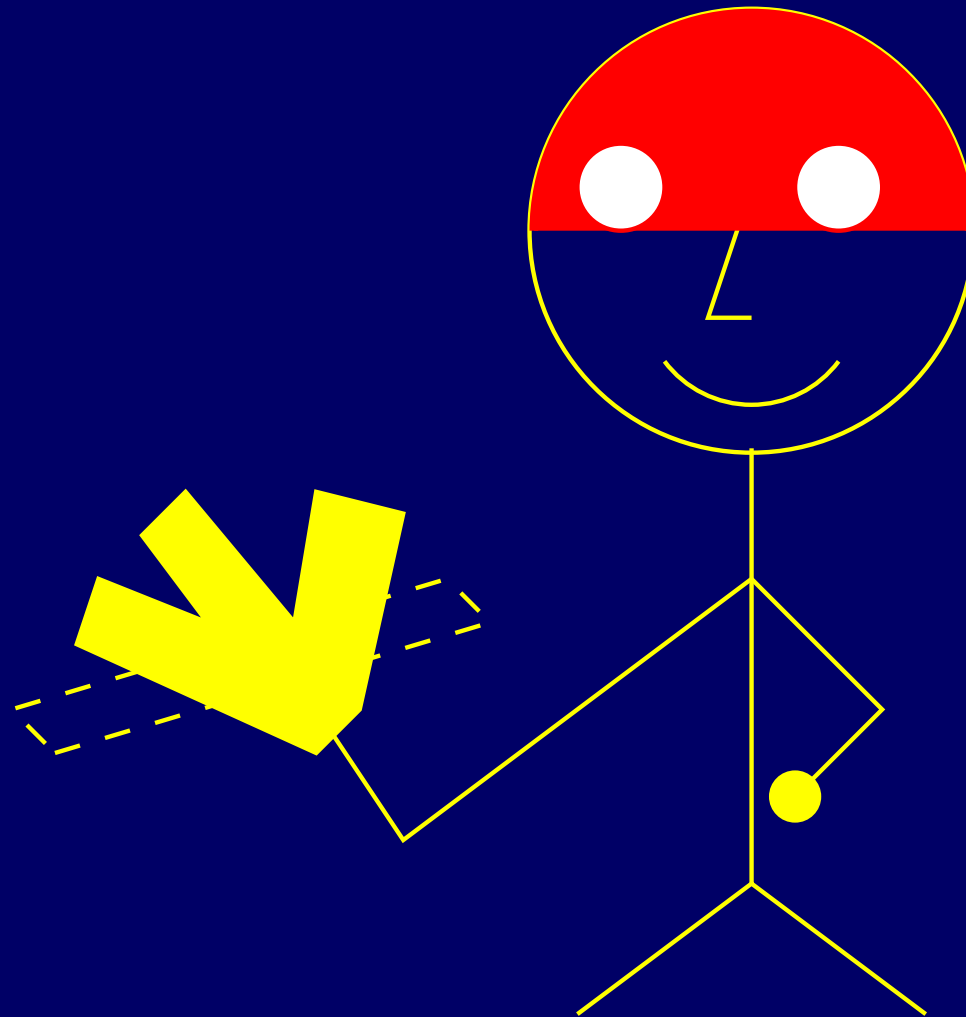
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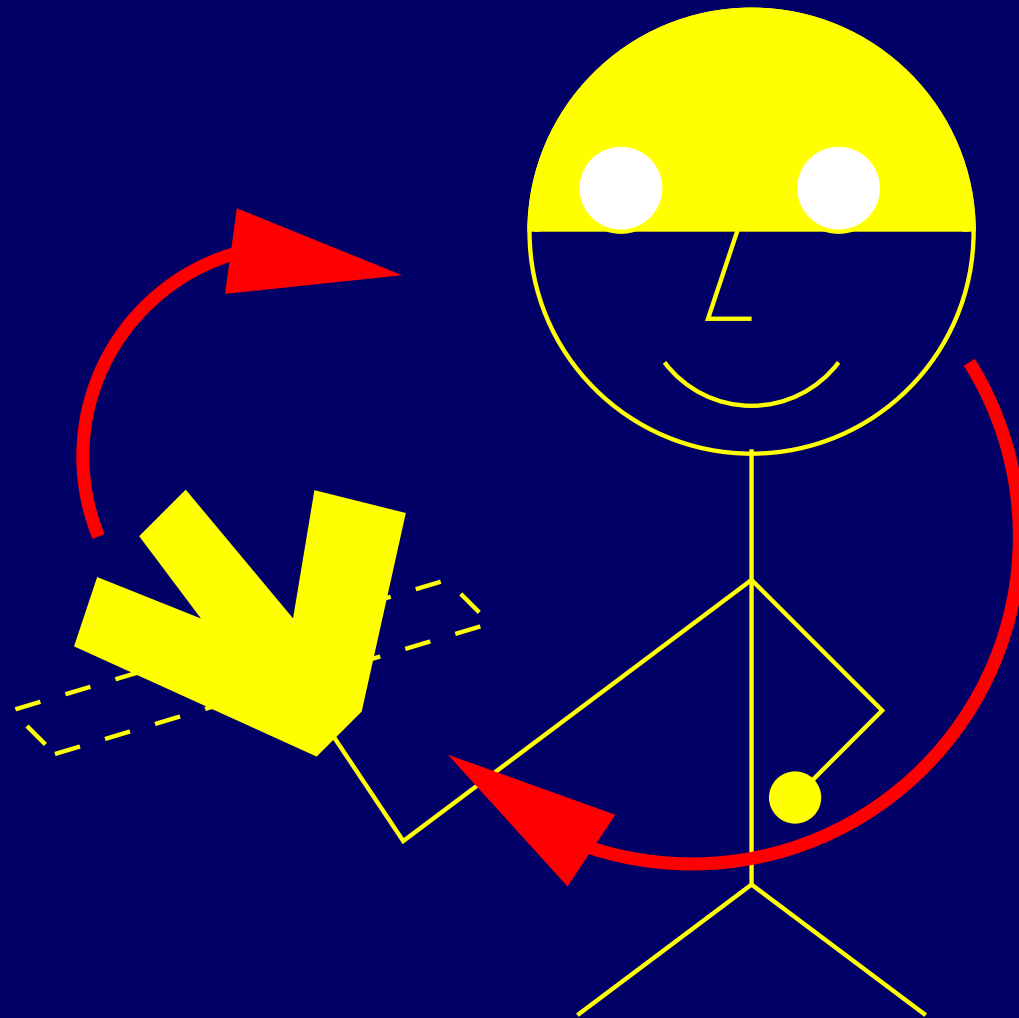
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- ... head mounted display...



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- ... same feedback!!!



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- sacrifice
 - absolute accuracy
- gain
 - better interaction
 - easier calibration

Overview

- previous work
- linear calibration
- cross-coupled sensors
- calibration of cross-coupled sensors
- results
- conclusions & future work

Previous work

- absolute accuracy, gesture-based
 - official VirtualHand® User's Guide and Immersion's FAQ document
 - Chou et al., 2000: Hand-Eye: A Vision Based Approach to Data Glove Calibration

Previous work

- high absolute accuracy, trajectory-based
 - Fisher et al., 1998: Learning Techniques in a Dataglove Based Telemanipulation System for the DLR Hand
 - Weston et al., 2000: Calibration and Mapping of a Human Hand for Dexterous Telemanipulation

Previous work

- relative accuracy, gesture-based
 - Menon et al., 2003: Using Registration, Calibration, and Robotics to Build a More Accurate Virtual Reality Simulation for Astronaut Training and Telemedicine
- relative accuracy, trajectory-based
 - our method

Linear calibration

- “straight”, angle = 0°

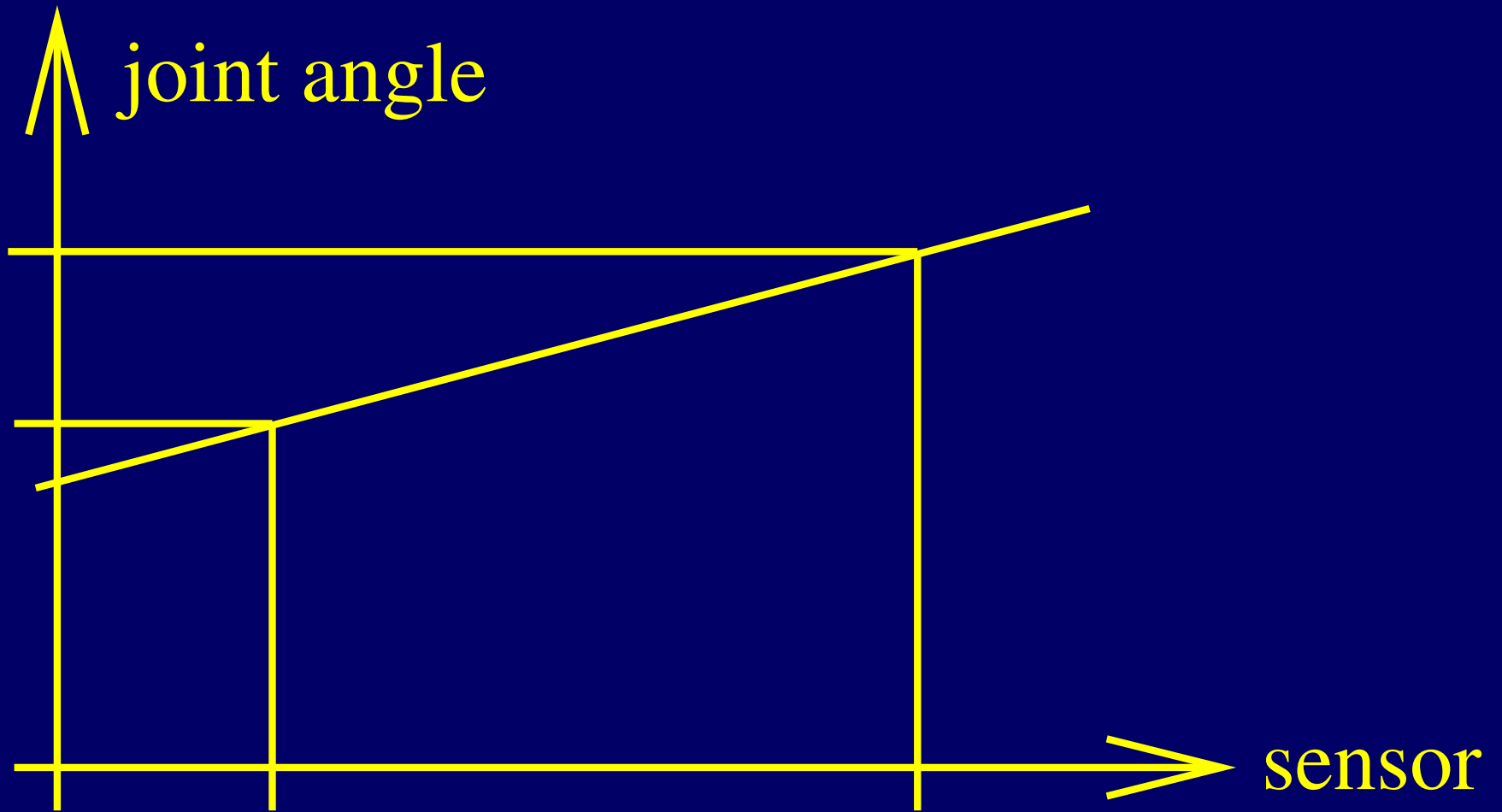


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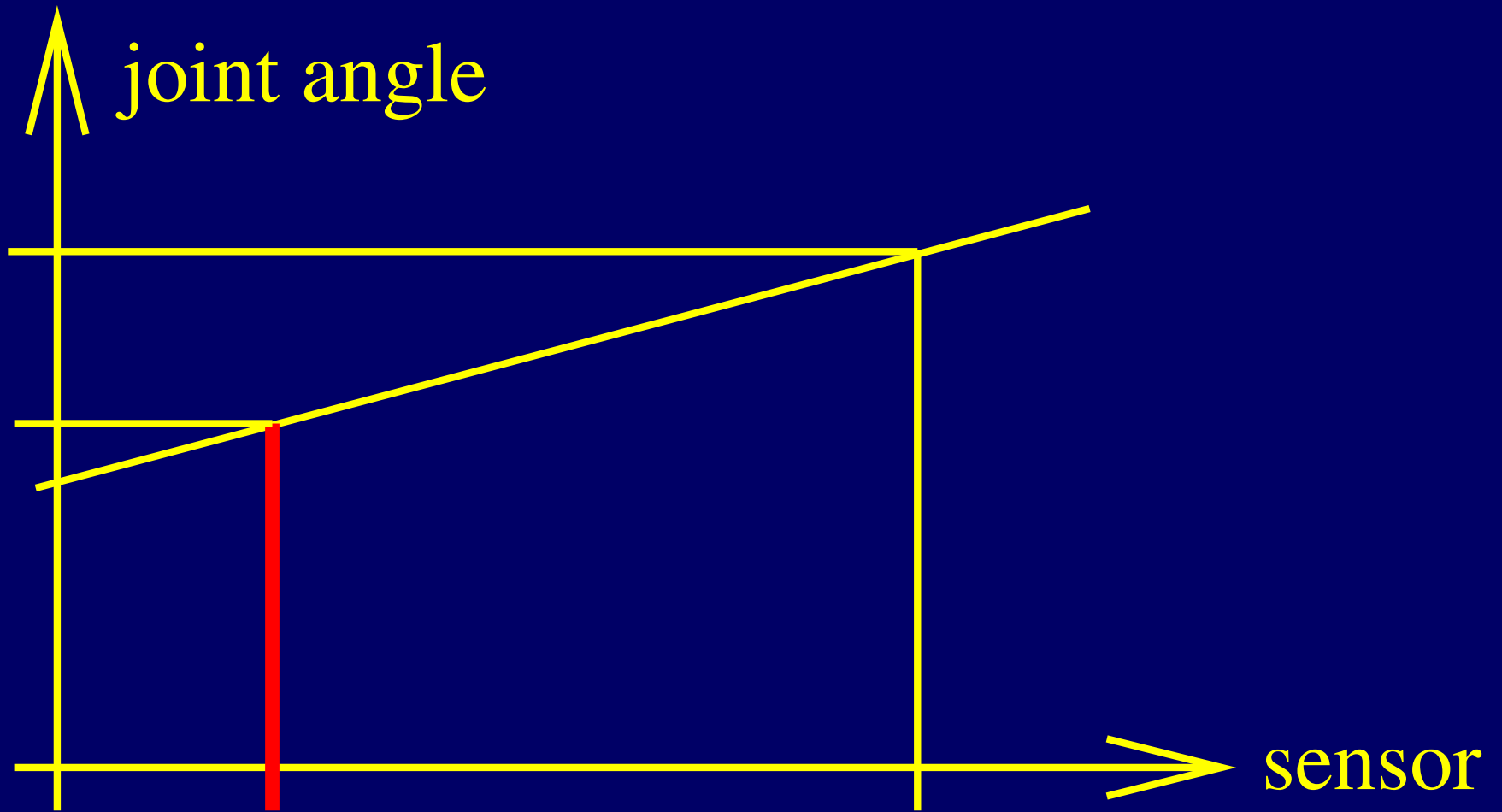
- “fist”, angle = 90°



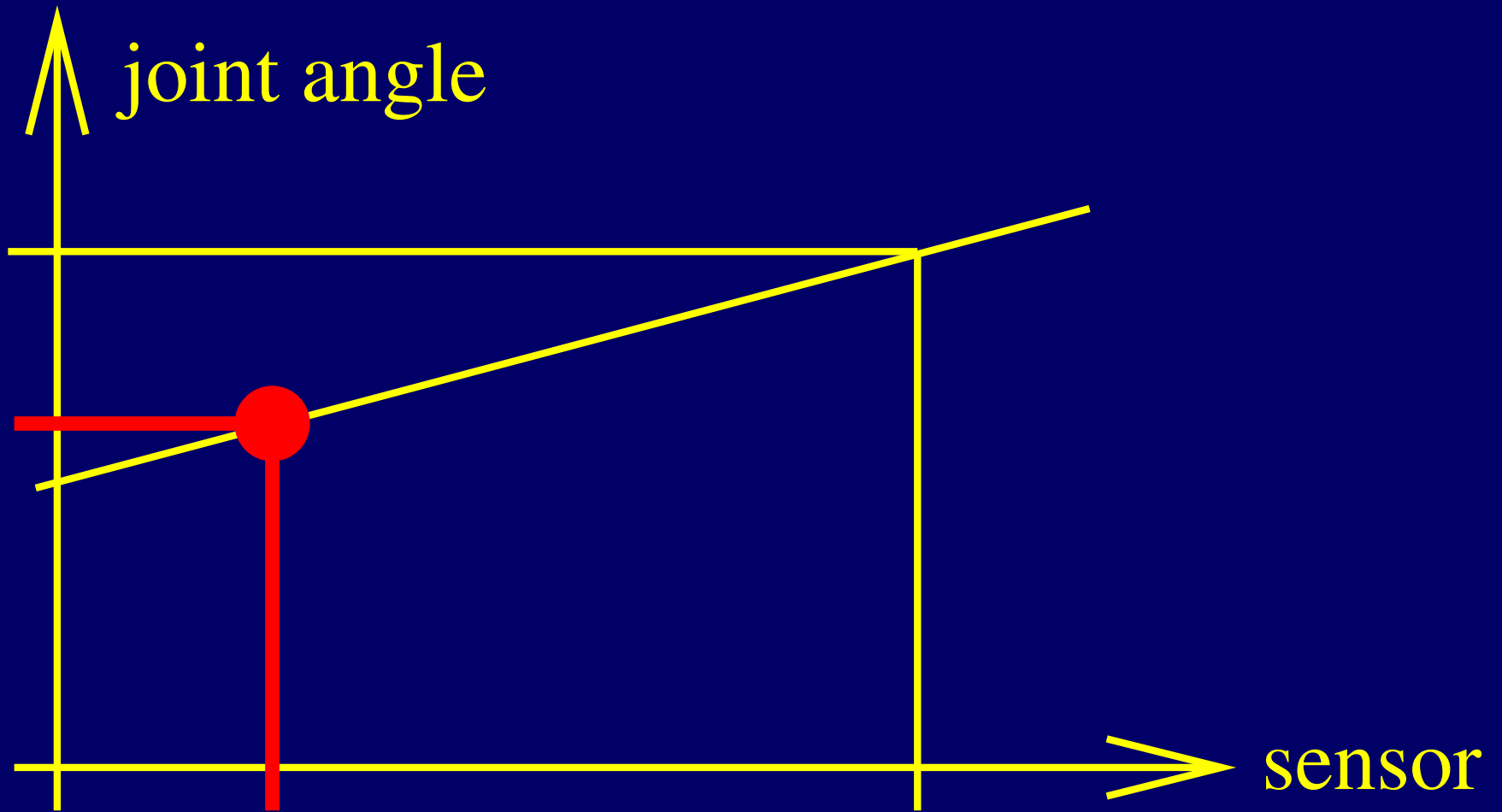
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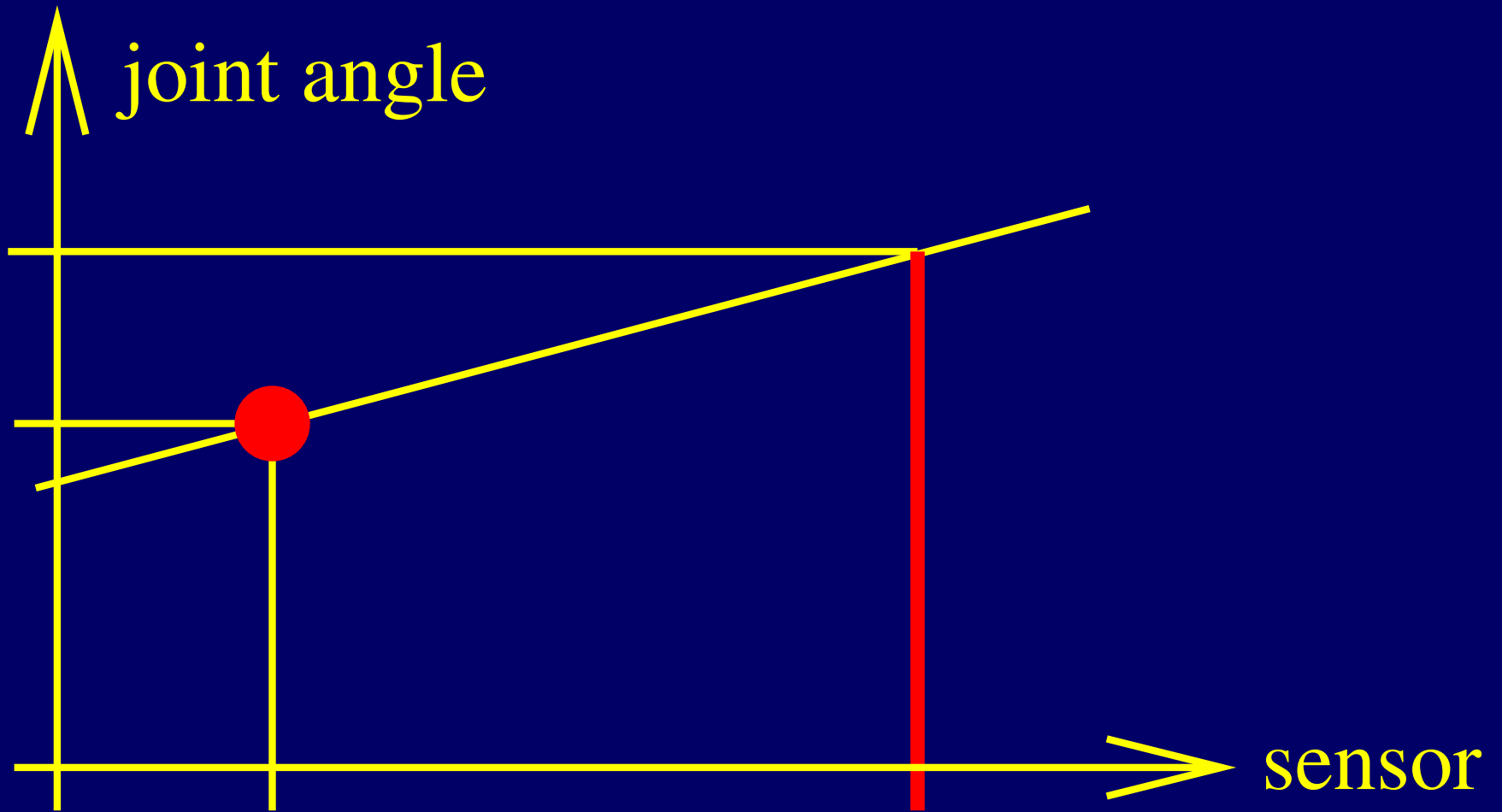
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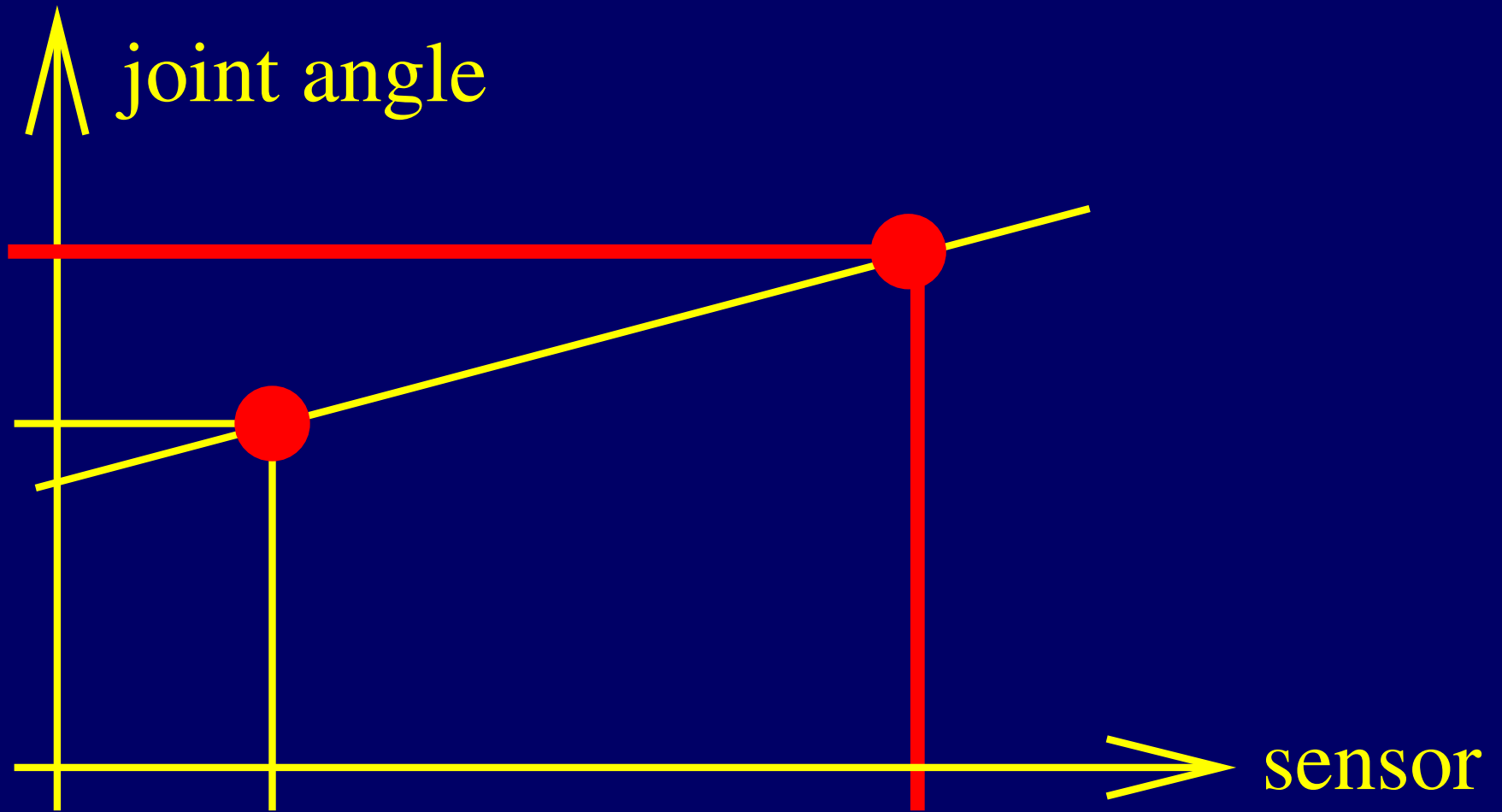
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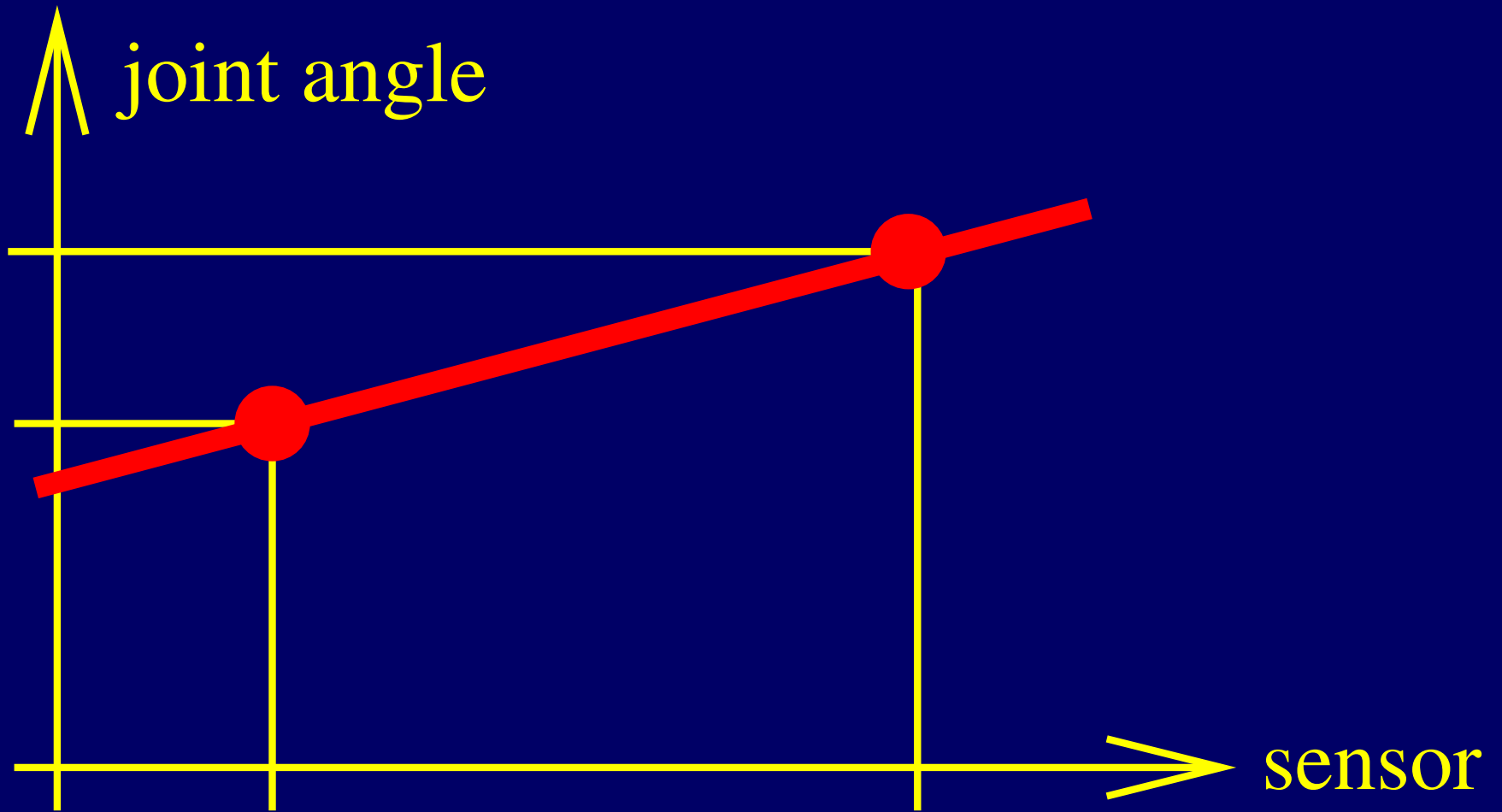
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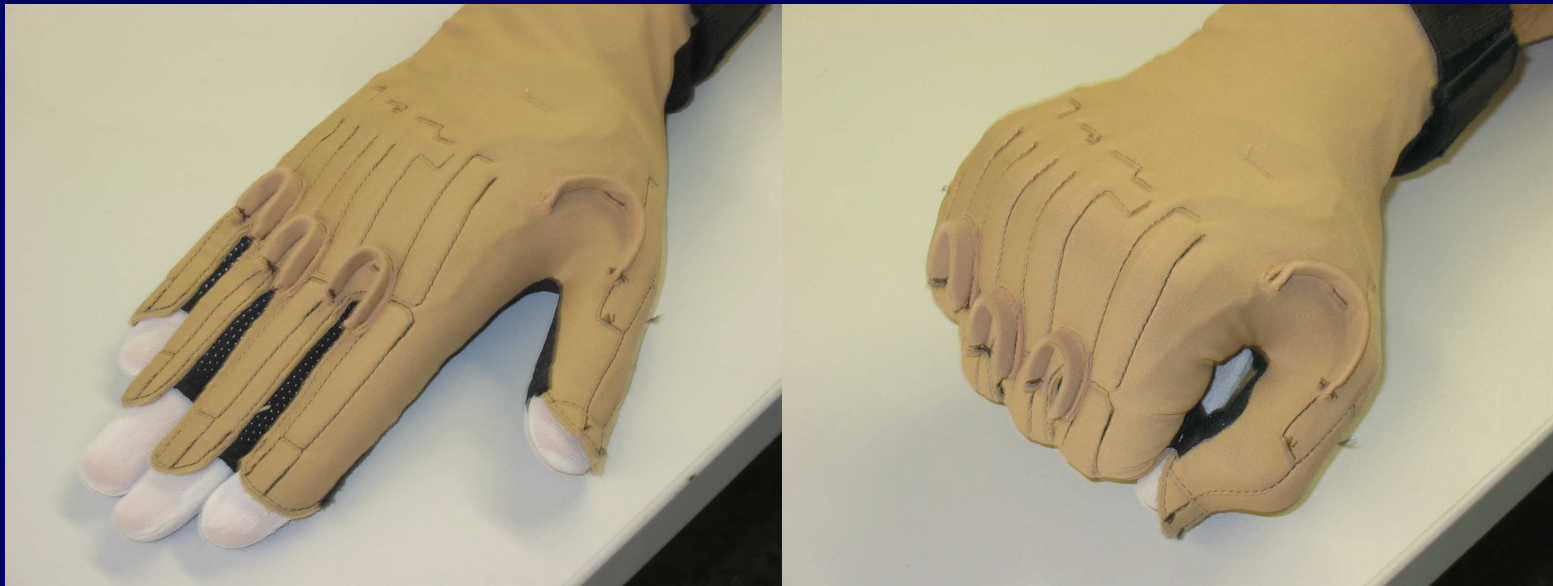


Linear calibration



Cross-coupling of sensors

- ground-truth: abduction = 0°



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- fingers are parallel



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- but the abduction sensor



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- stretches...



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- \implies *this joint angle depends on more sensors*
- what are the interdependencies?

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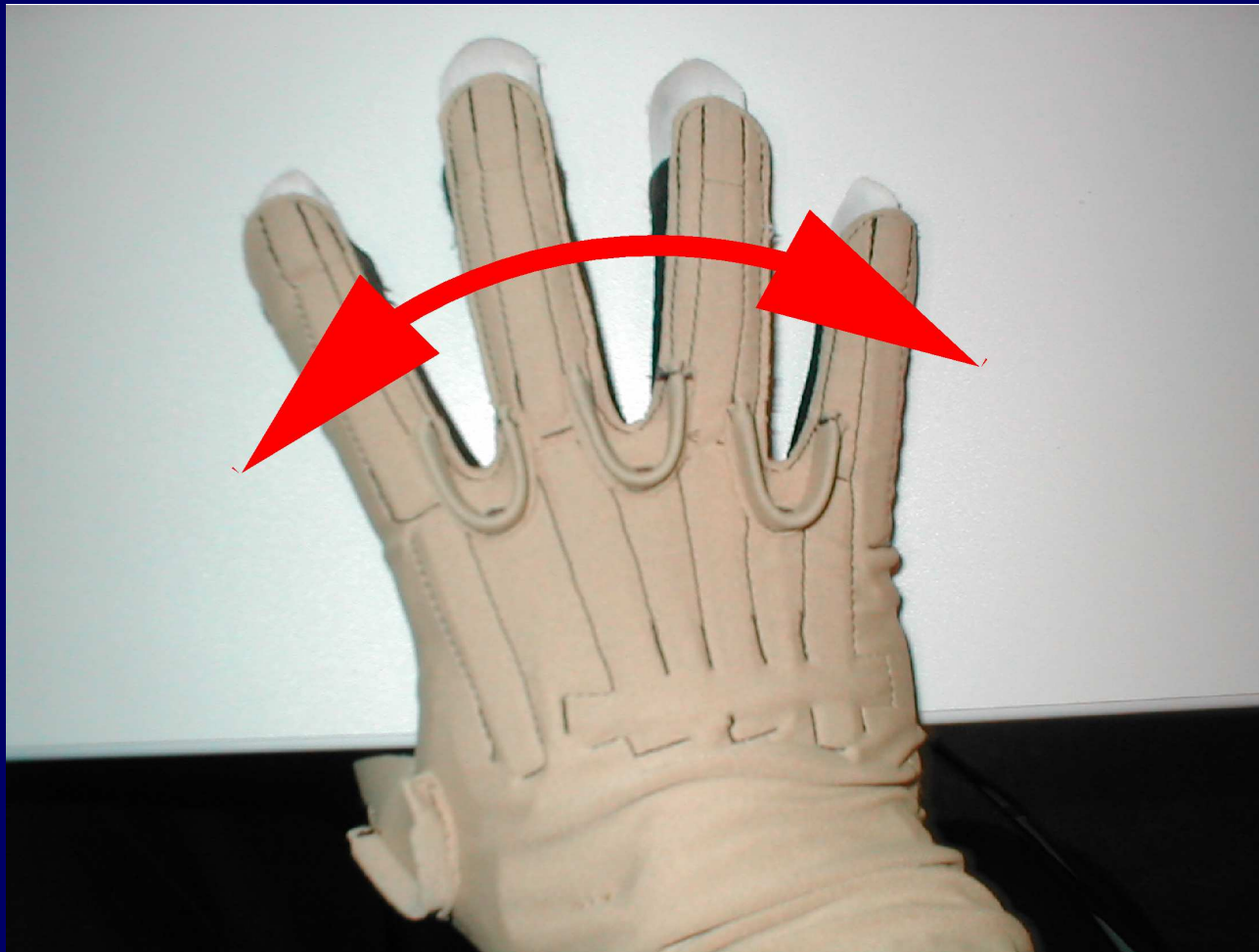
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- only glove couplings, not human “error”

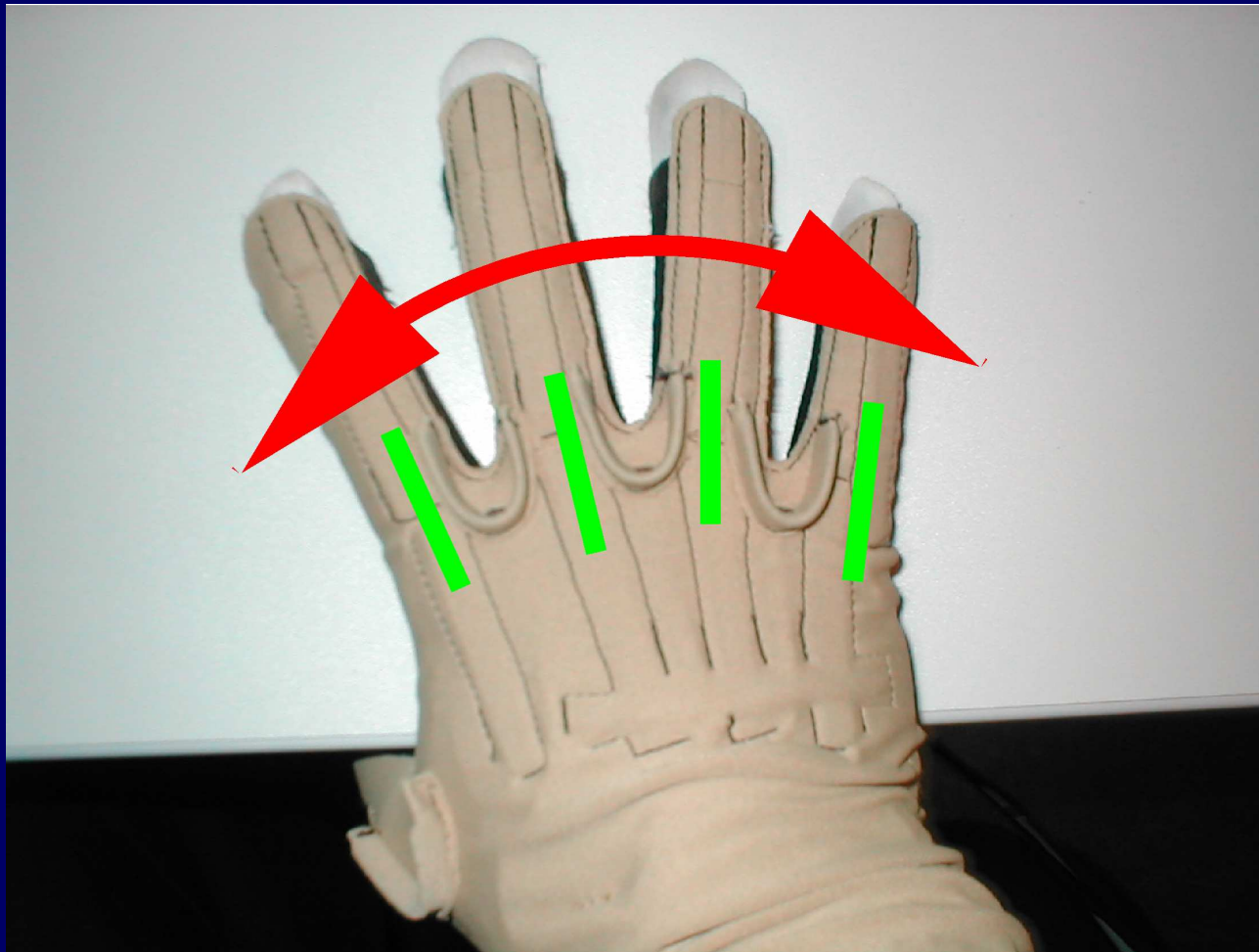
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- abduction/adduction



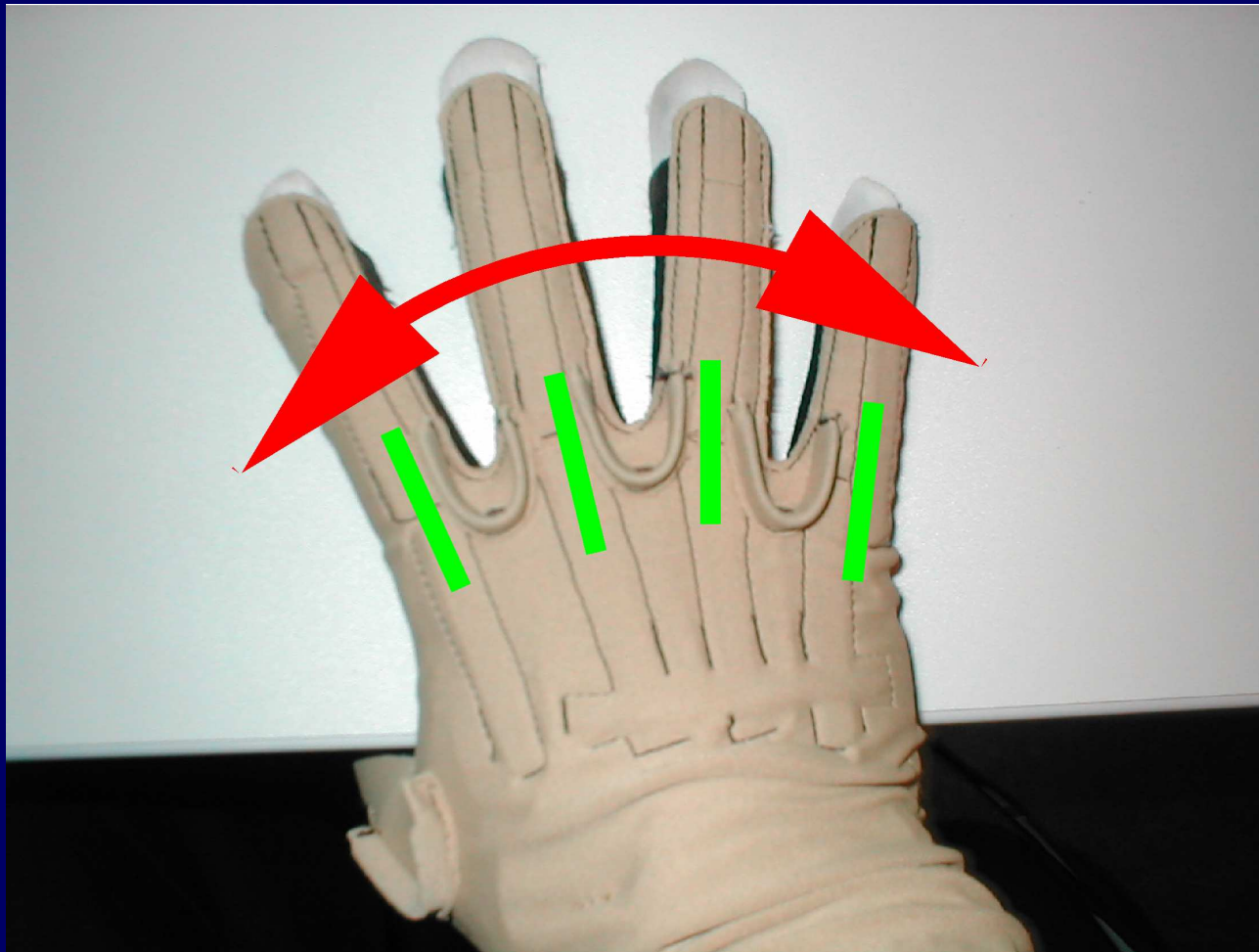
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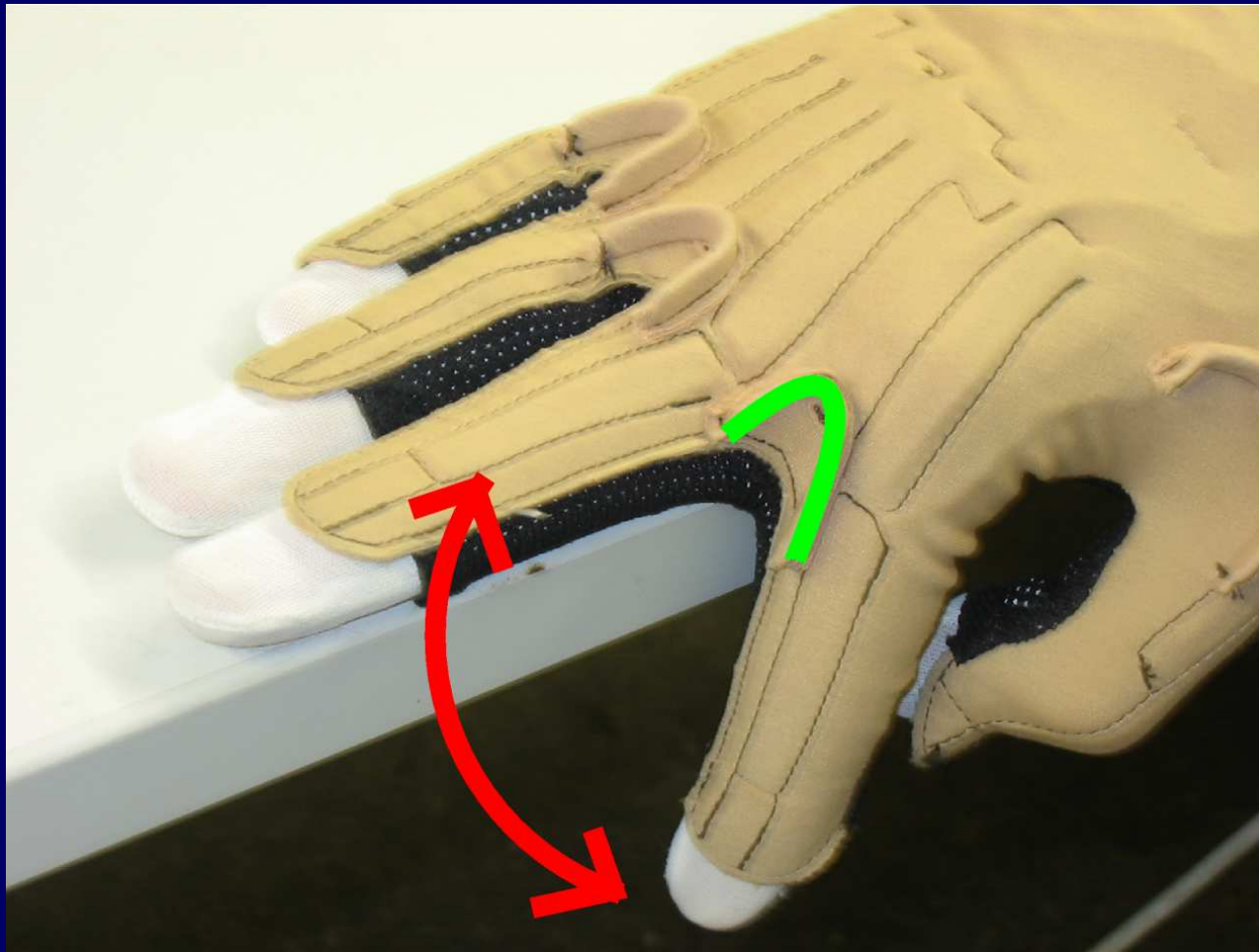
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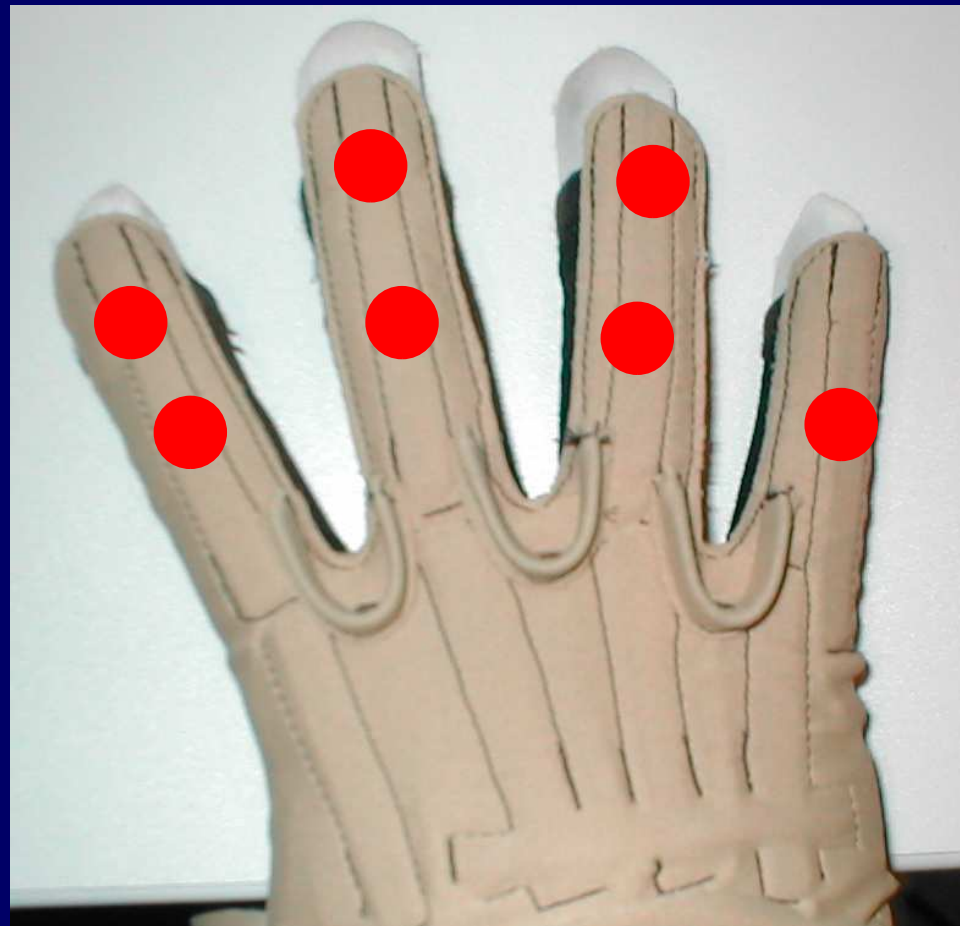
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- should be compensated! (see paper)



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- no tests, linear independent calibration



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- what function to take?
- which sensors should be taken into account?

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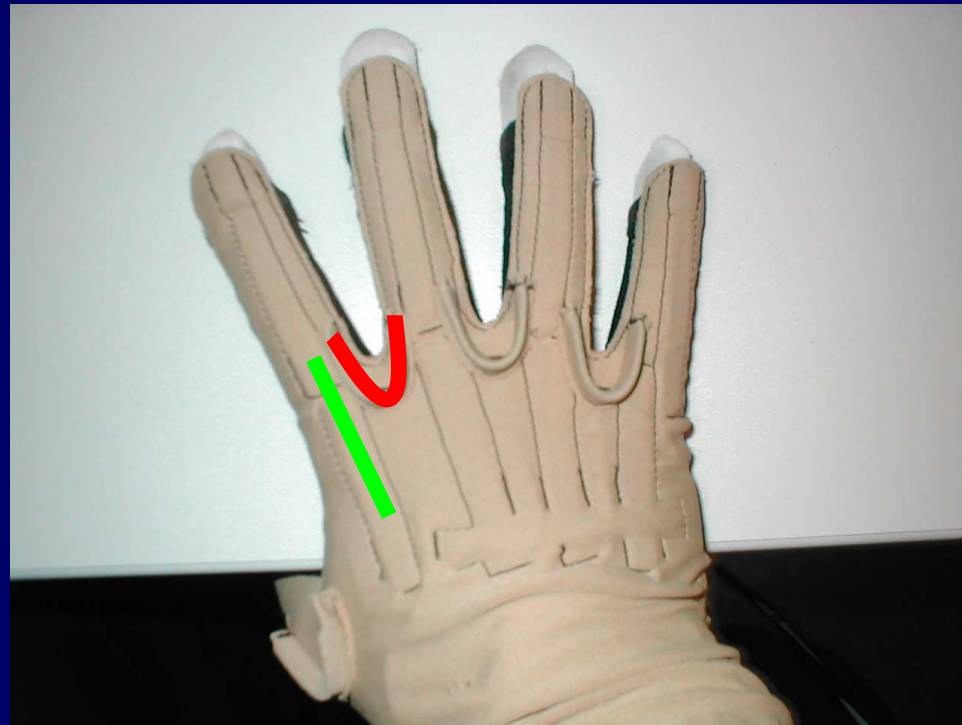
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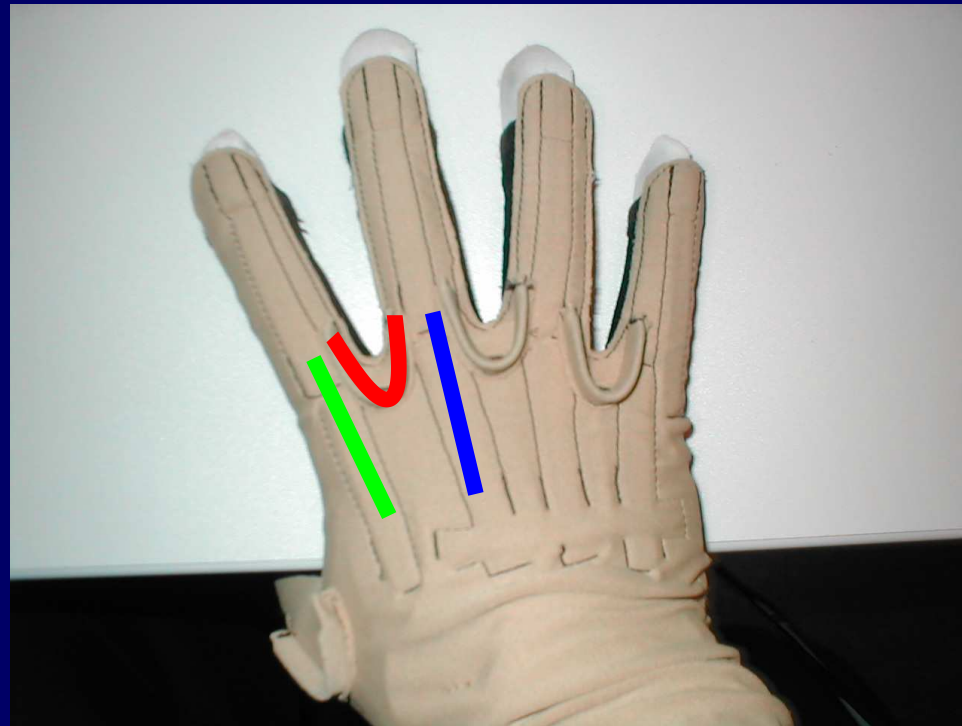
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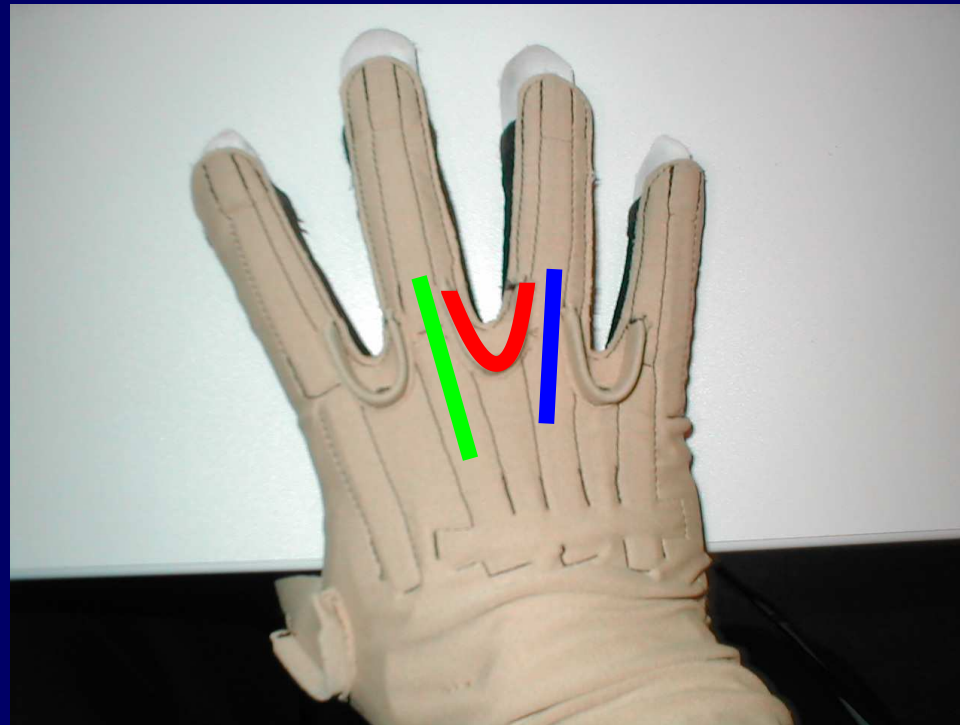
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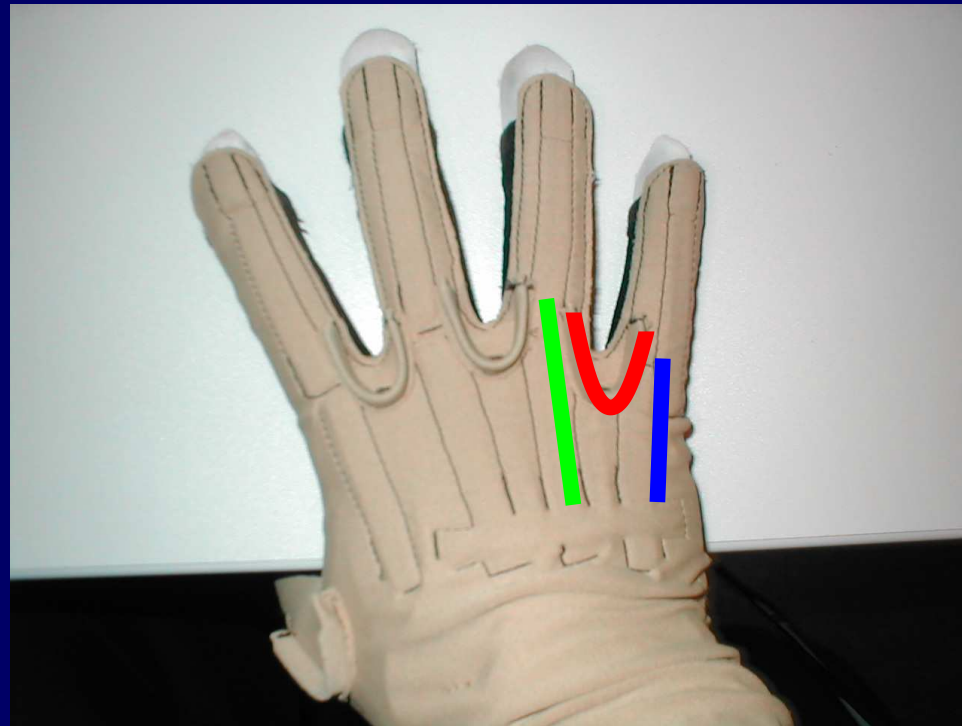
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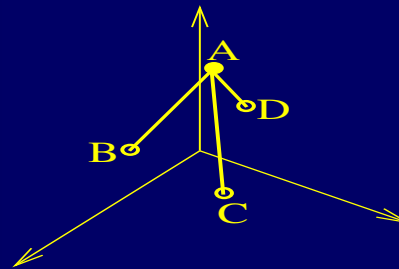
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- estimate abduction based on
 - sensor readings
 - one or more predetermined isosurfaces

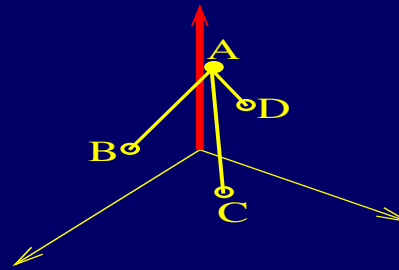
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- we know points on the 0-isosurface



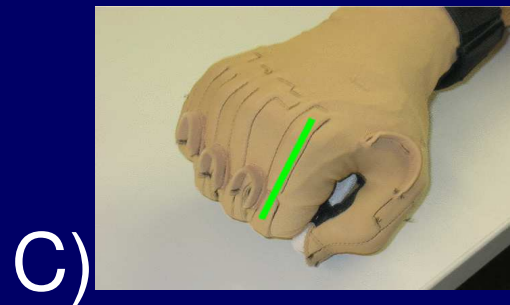
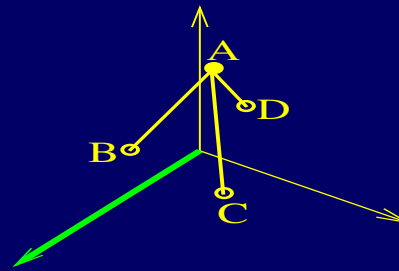
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- abduction



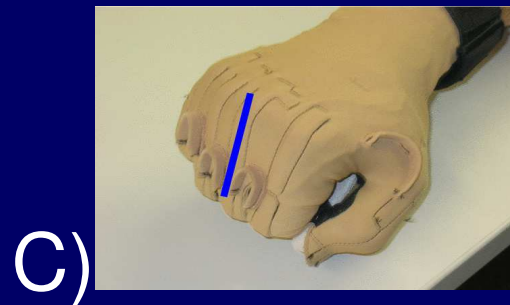
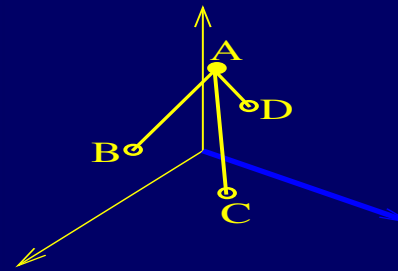
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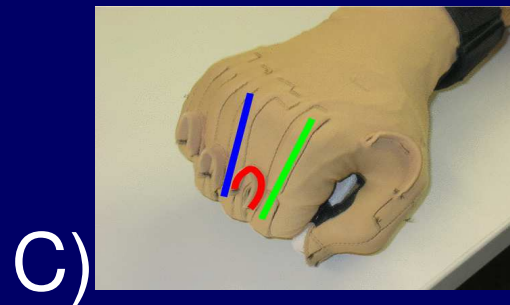
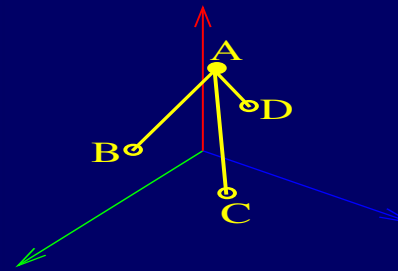
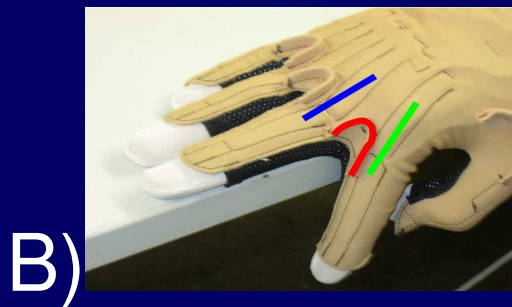
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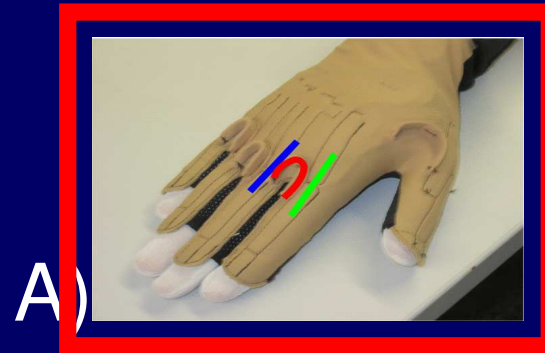
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- positions corresponding to gestures



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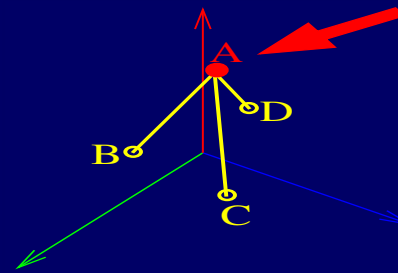
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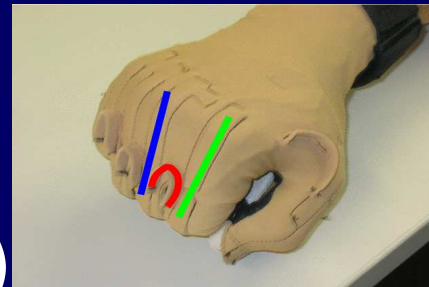
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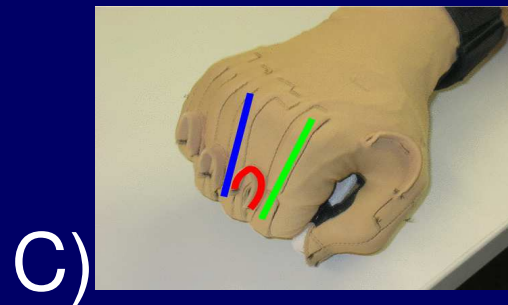
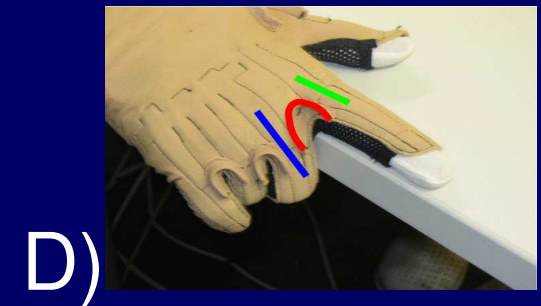
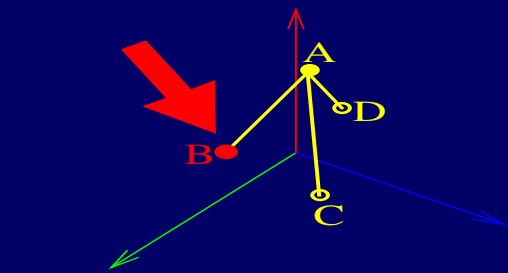
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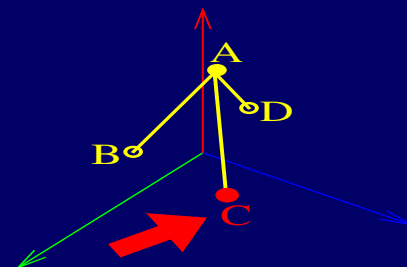
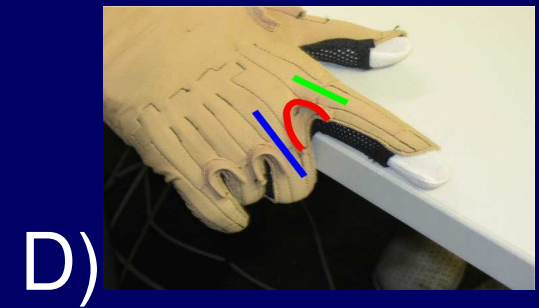
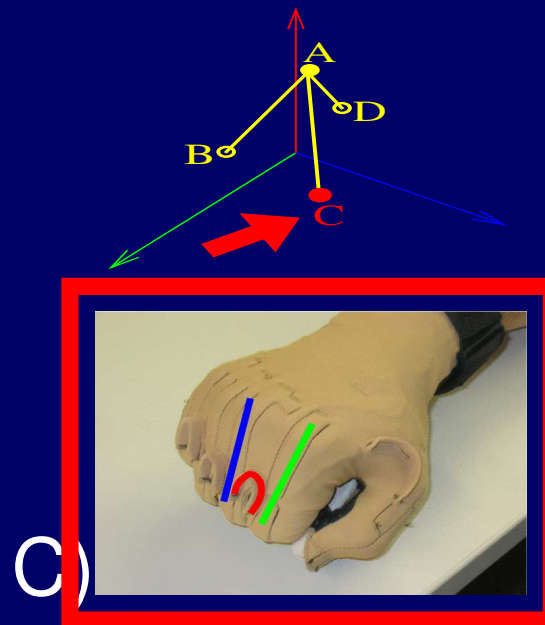
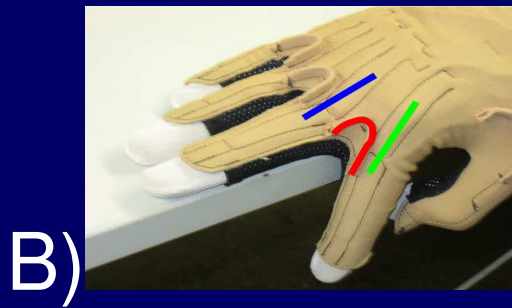
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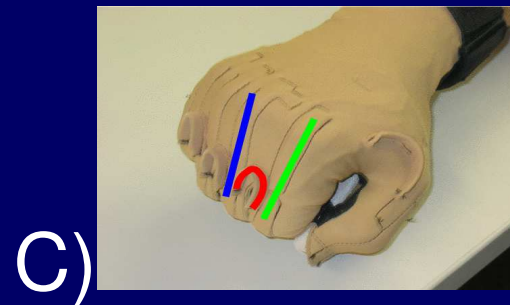
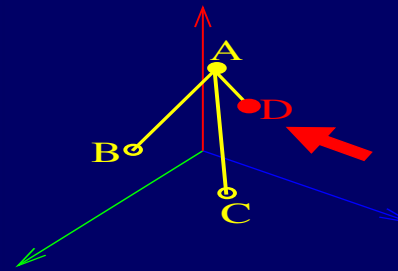
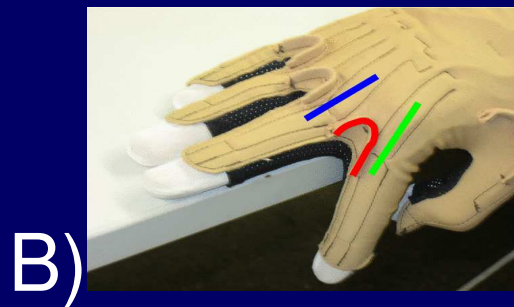
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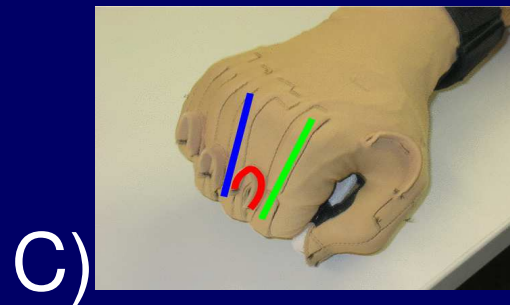
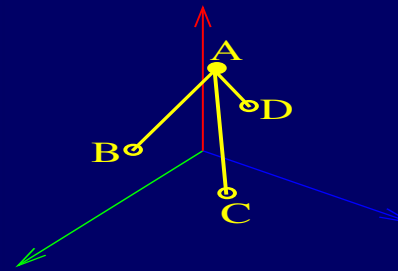
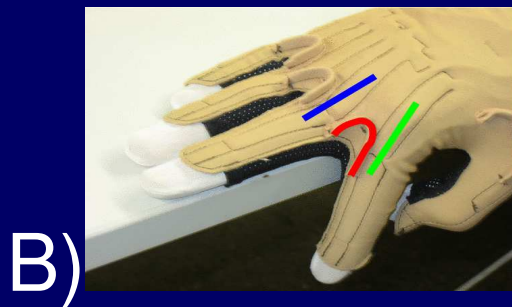
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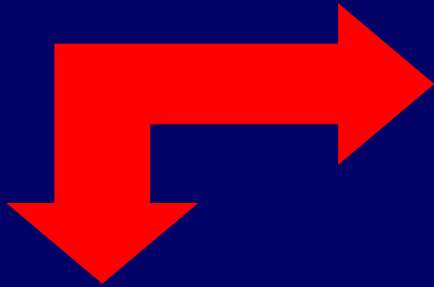
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- expected trajectories

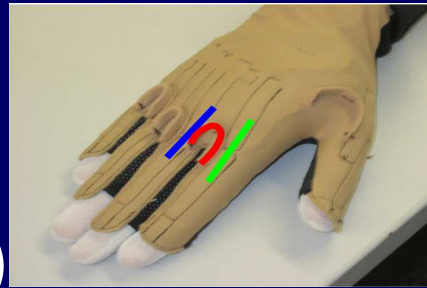


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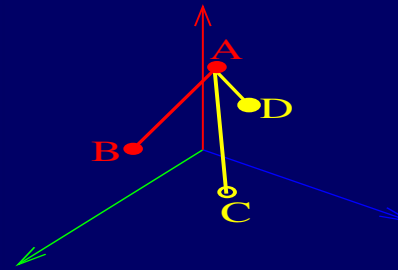
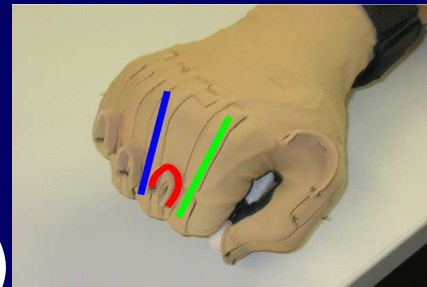
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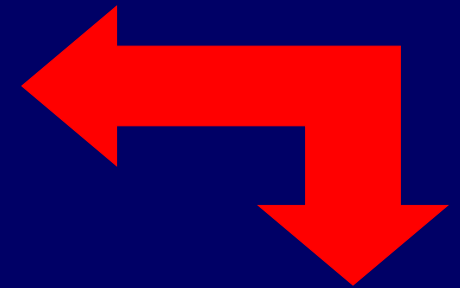
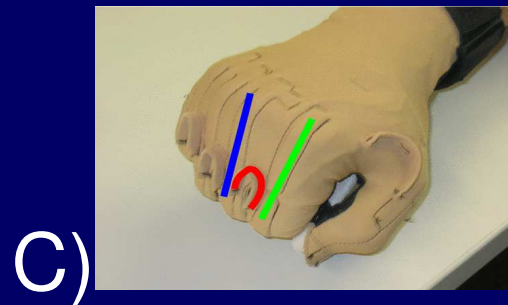
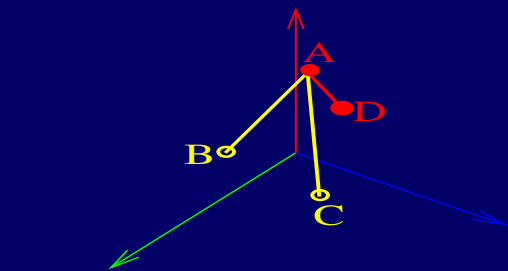
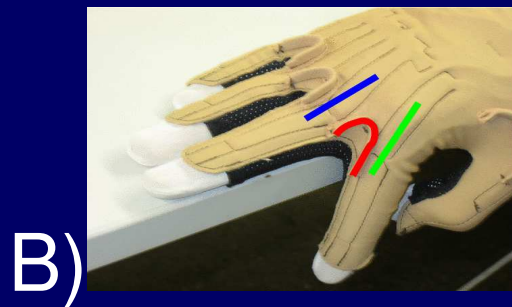


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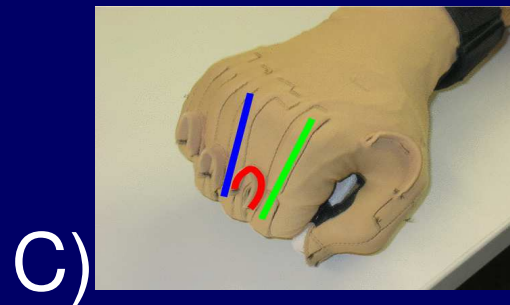
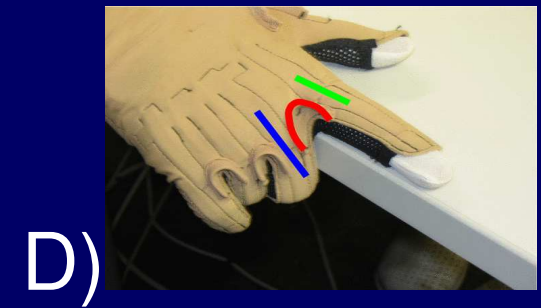
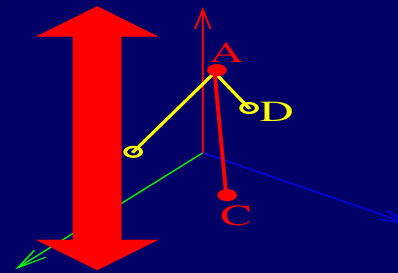
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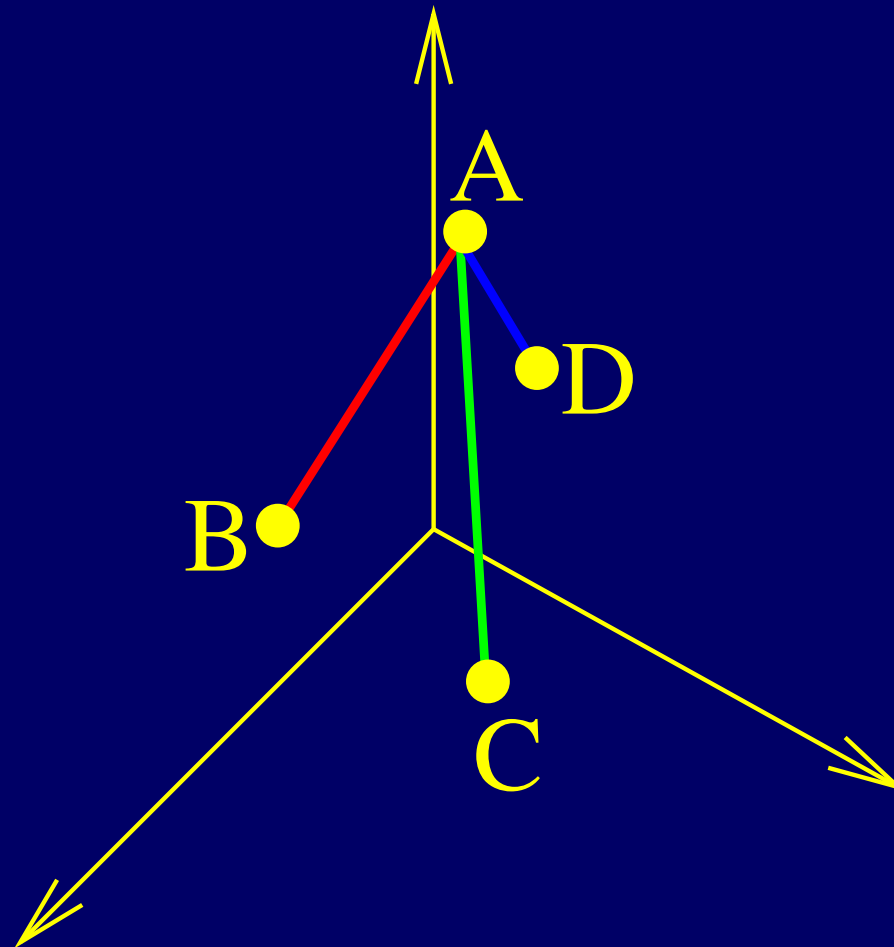


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- creation of the 0-isosurface

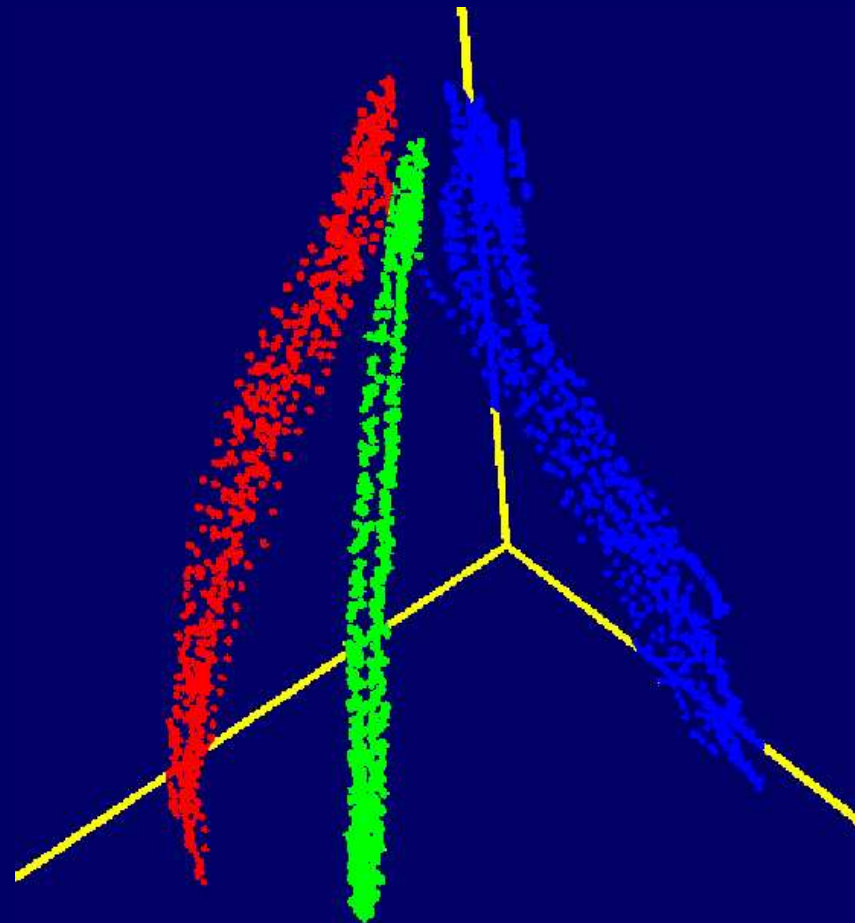
Calibration of cc.-sensors

- expectations



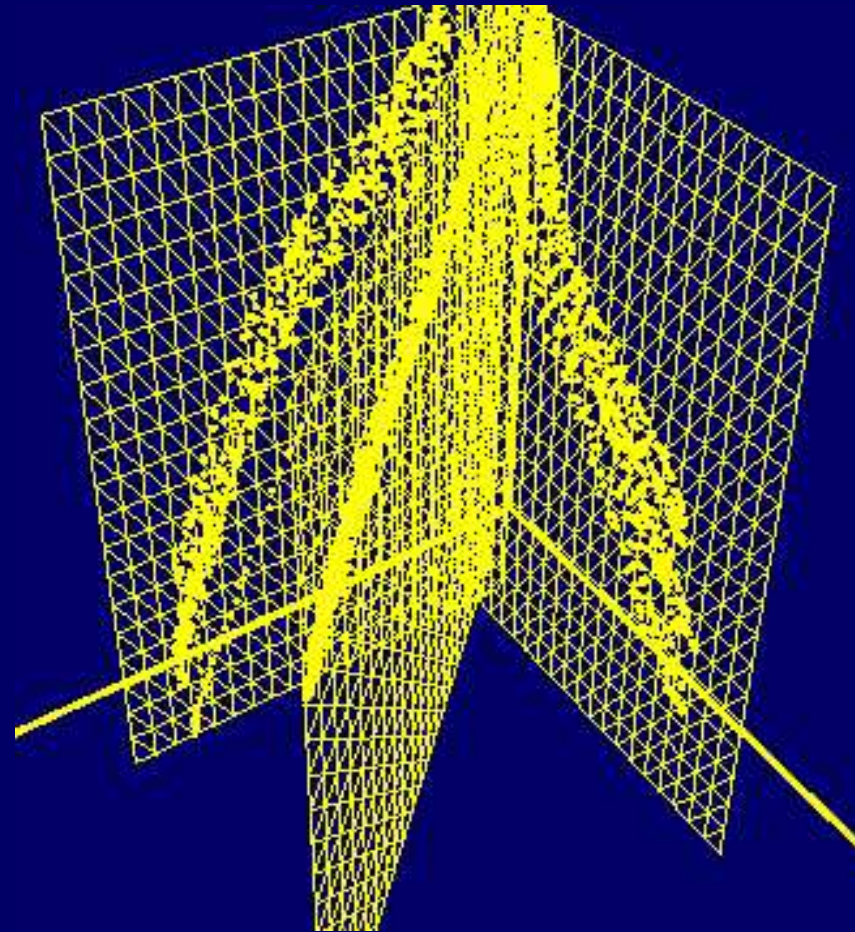
Calibration of cc.-sensors

- real trajectories



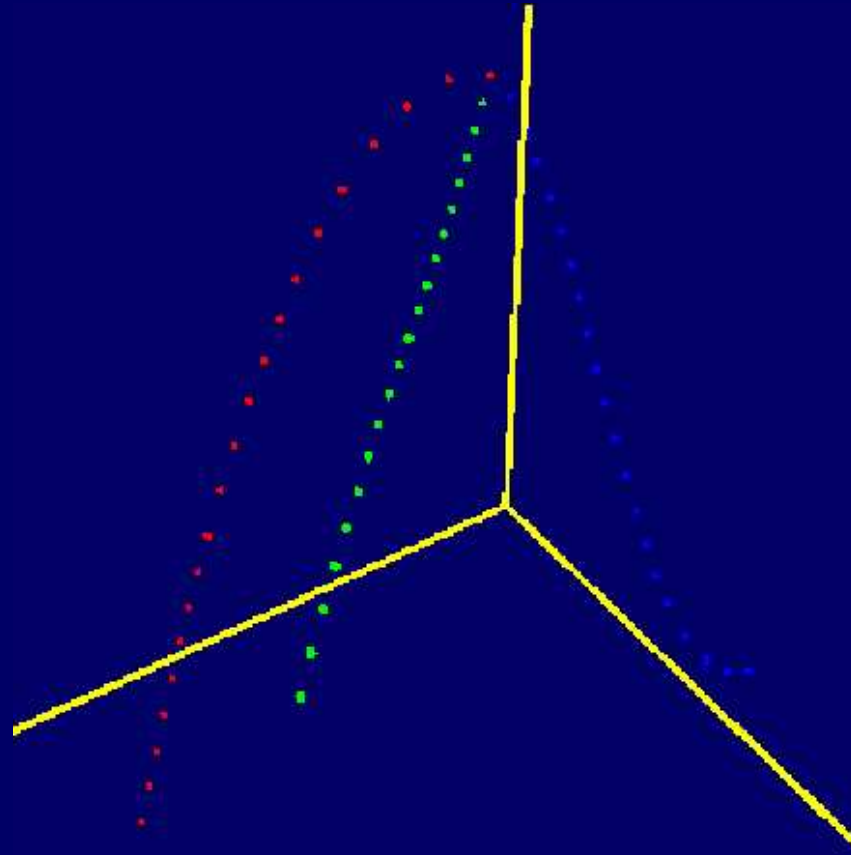
Calibration of cc.-sensors

- fitted projection planes



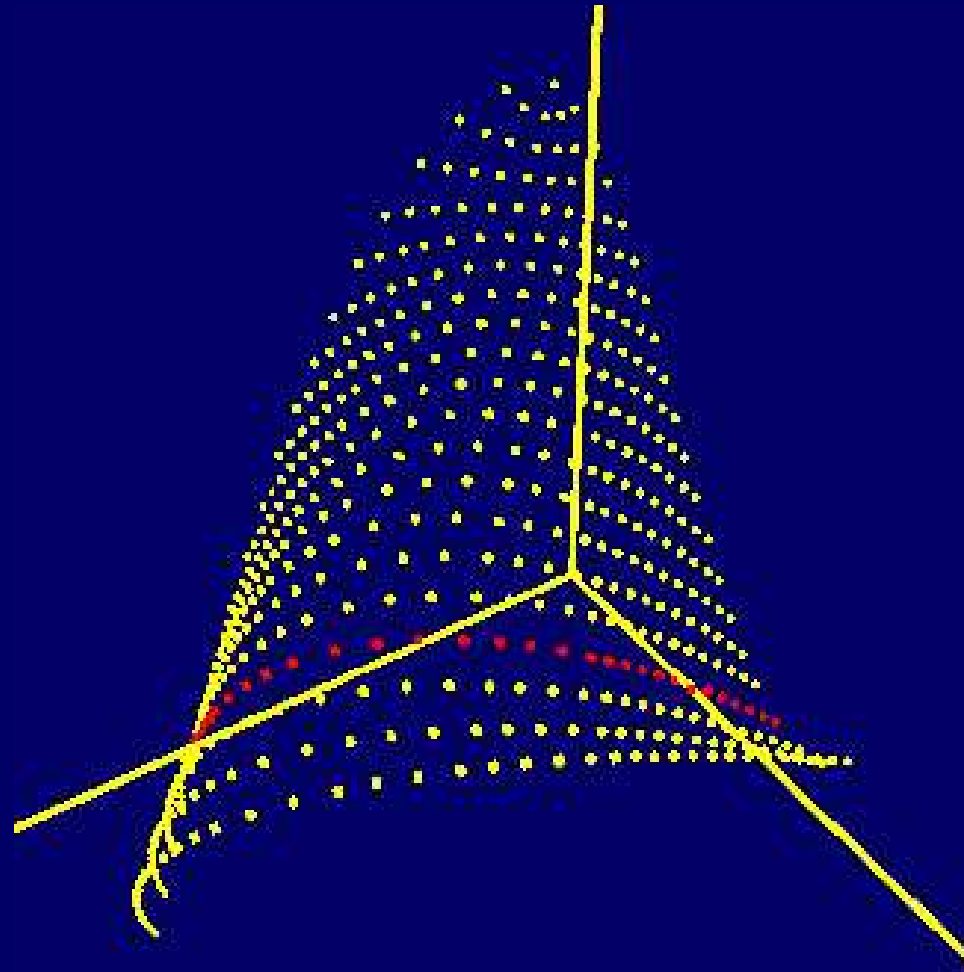
Calibration of cc.-sensors

- fitted curves



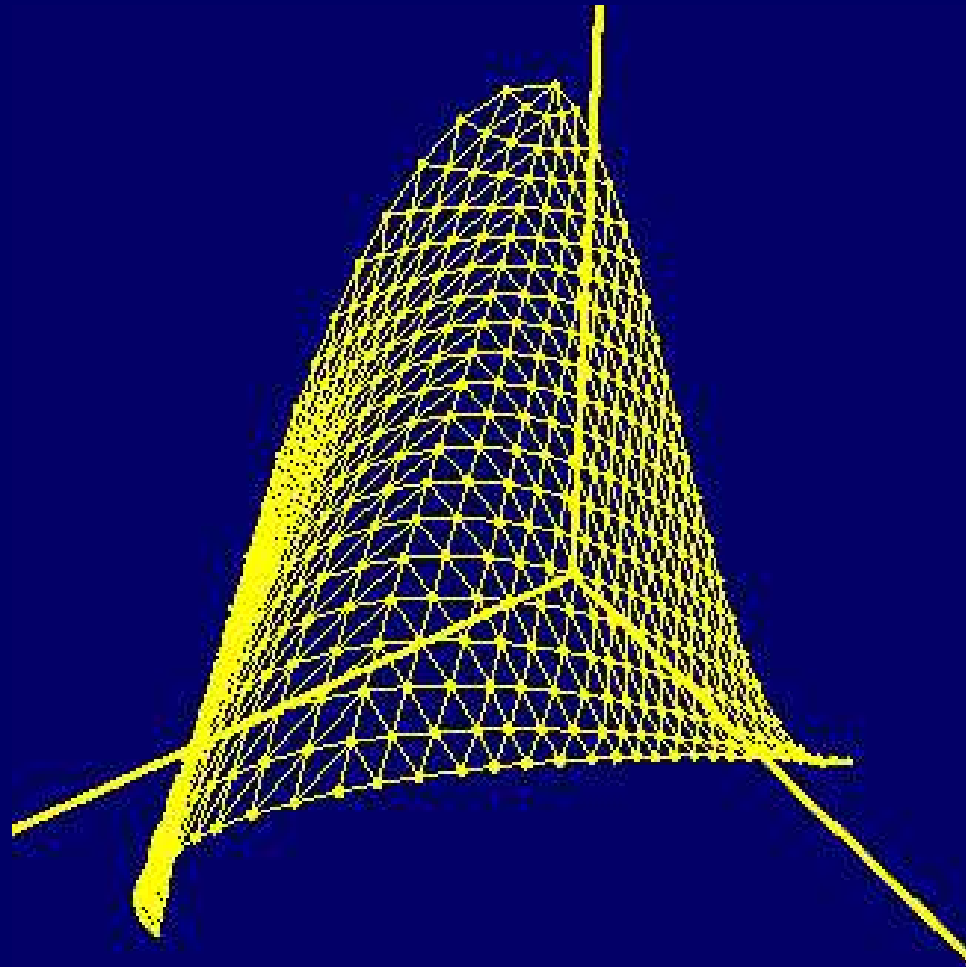
Calibration of cc.-sensors

- generated points



Calibration of cc.-sensors

- generated surface



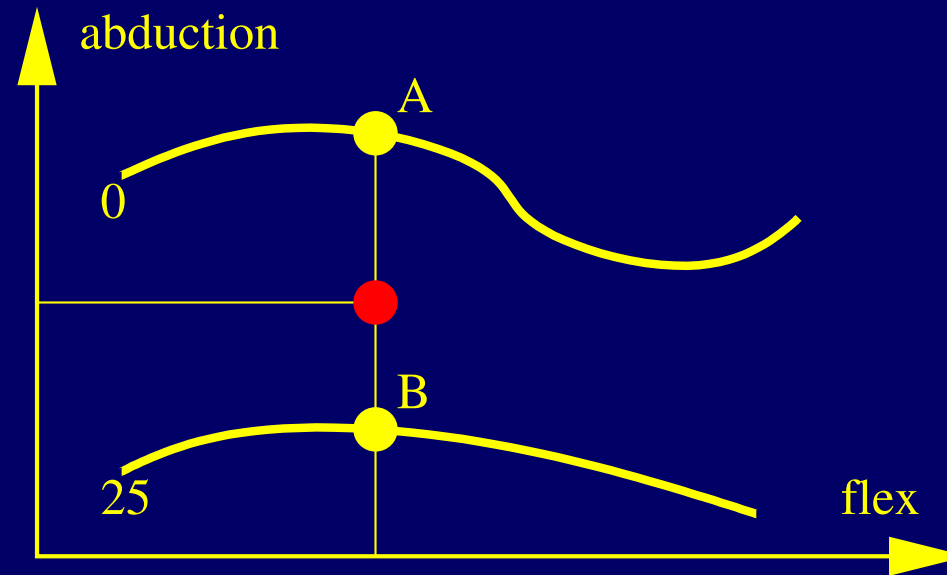
Calibration of cc.-sensors

- idea: record another isosurface...



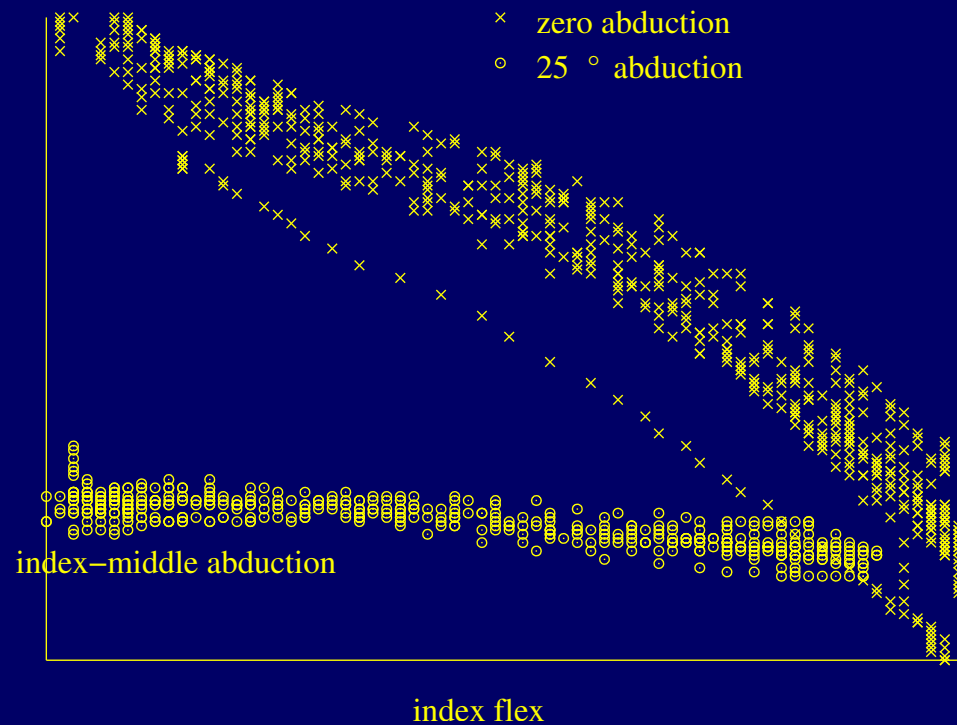
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- ... and interpolate between the surfaces



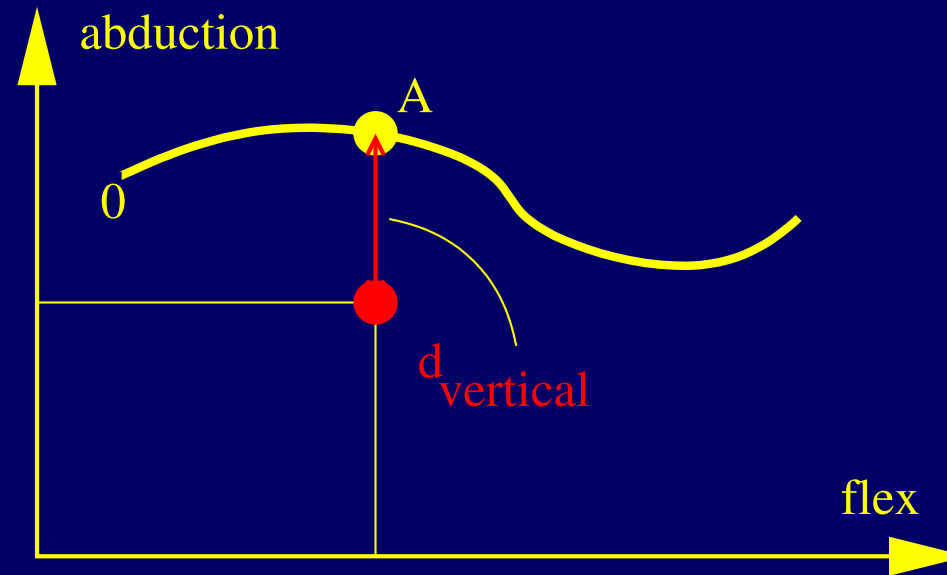
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- but...

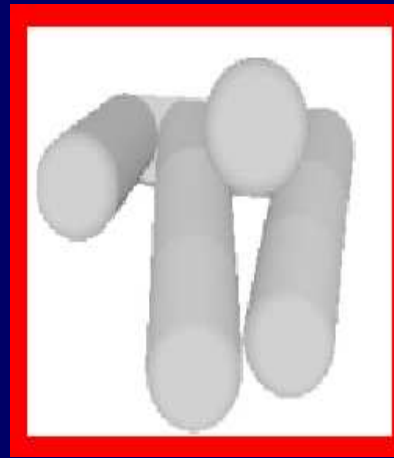


Calibration of cc.-sensors

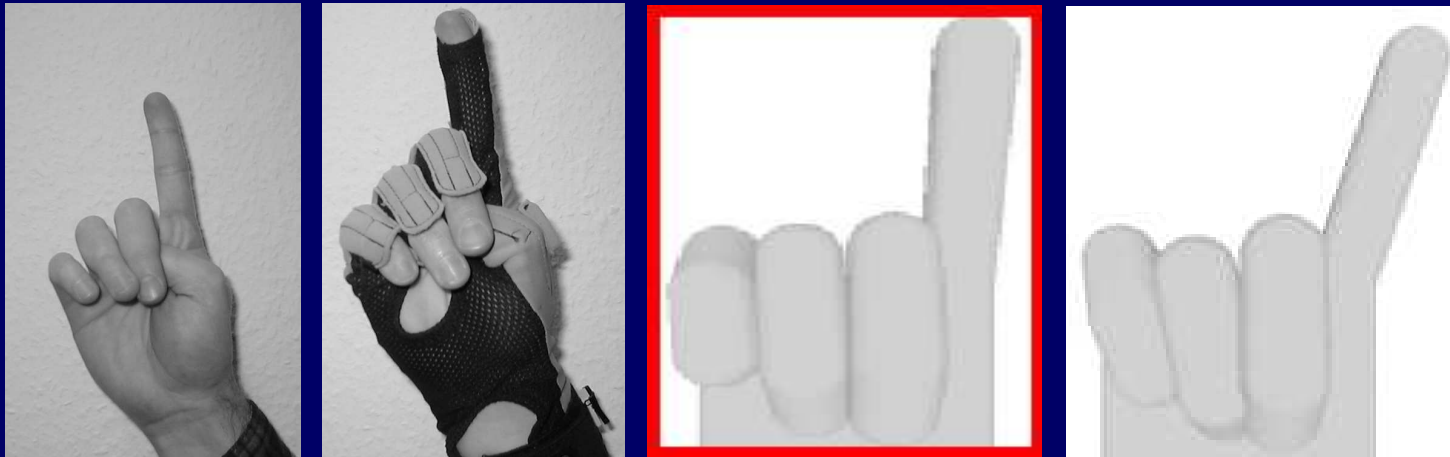
- compromise: $\theta = Ad_{vertical}(\cdot) + B$



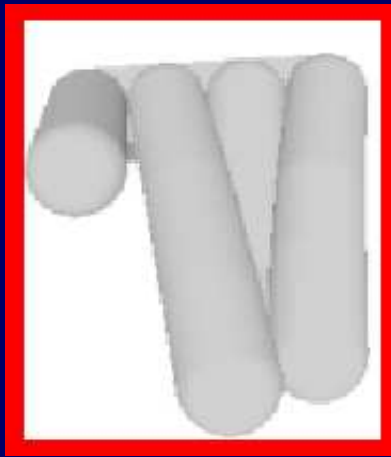
Results



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Conclusions & future work

- 'visual fidelity' calibration
- relative accuracy, trajectory based
- explicit cross-coupling model: abduction and neighbouring flex sensors
- more visually convincing hand postures
- incorporate thumb into the scheme
 - connecting fingers should connect!