



# Gaussian Process Dynamical Models (GPDM) for Motion Analysis

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- **Linear Motion Models (PCA)**
- **Gaussian Process Dynamical Models**
- **Motion Recognition**
- **Conclusion**

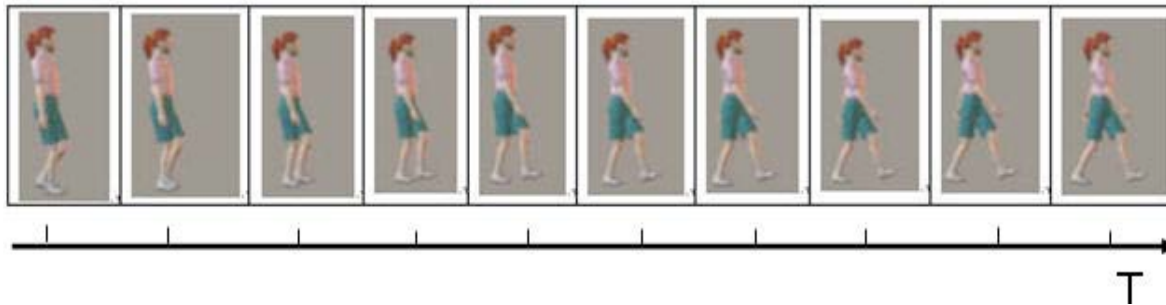
# Motion Models

- What motions are likely?
- Applications:
  - Computer animation
  - Computer vision

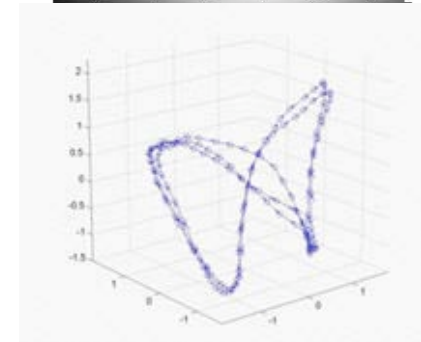
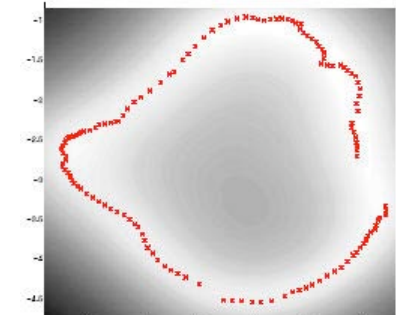
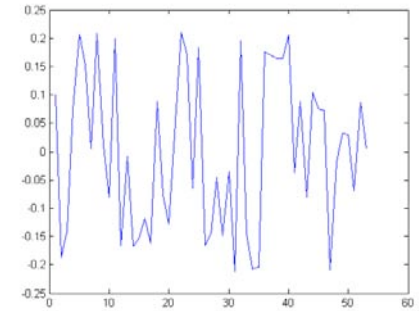


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# Motion Models



- $M(t) = \{p(t), Q(t)\}$
- Little work on motion models [ Urtasun 2006]
- Linear motion models
- Non-Linear motion models

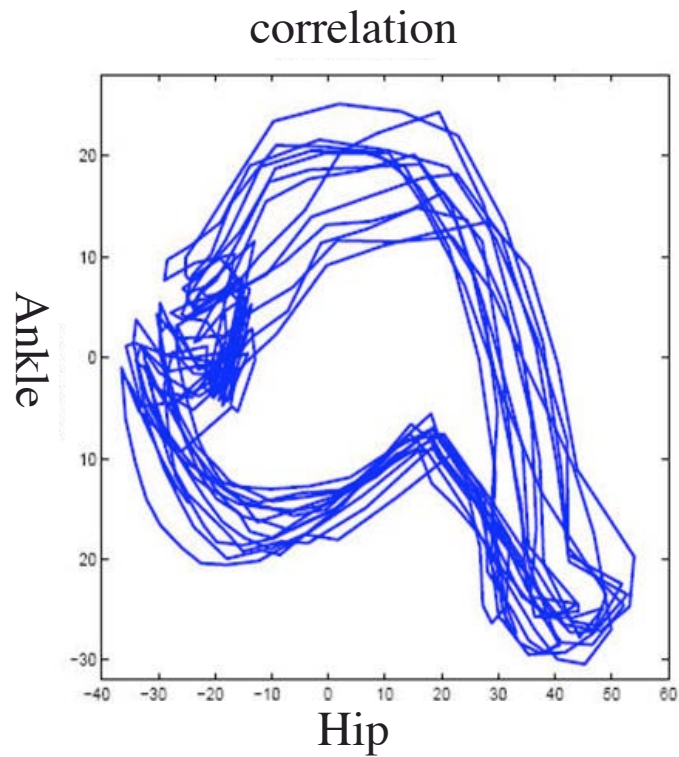




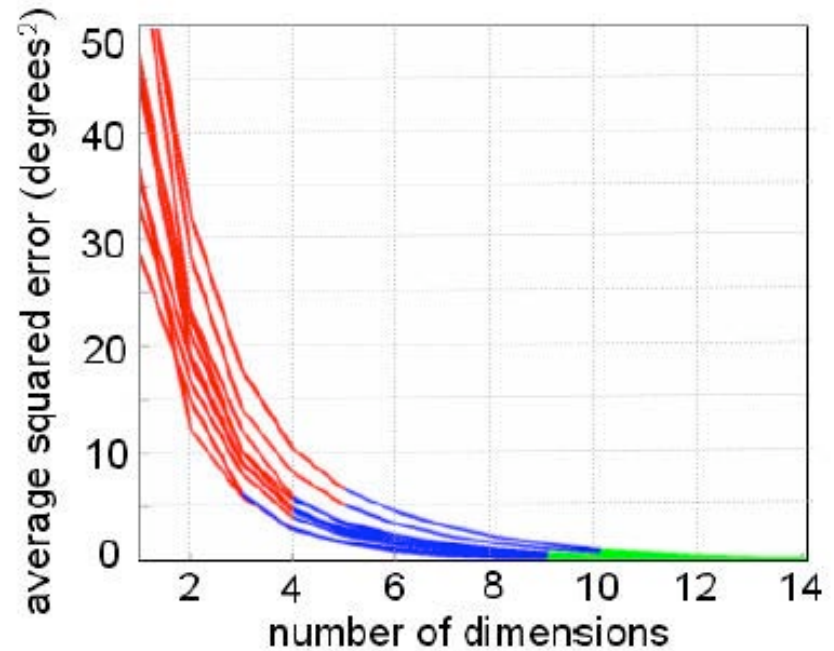
# Problem

- **High-dimensional**
- **Time related (dynamic)**
- **Stylistic diversity and variation**

# Motion Models

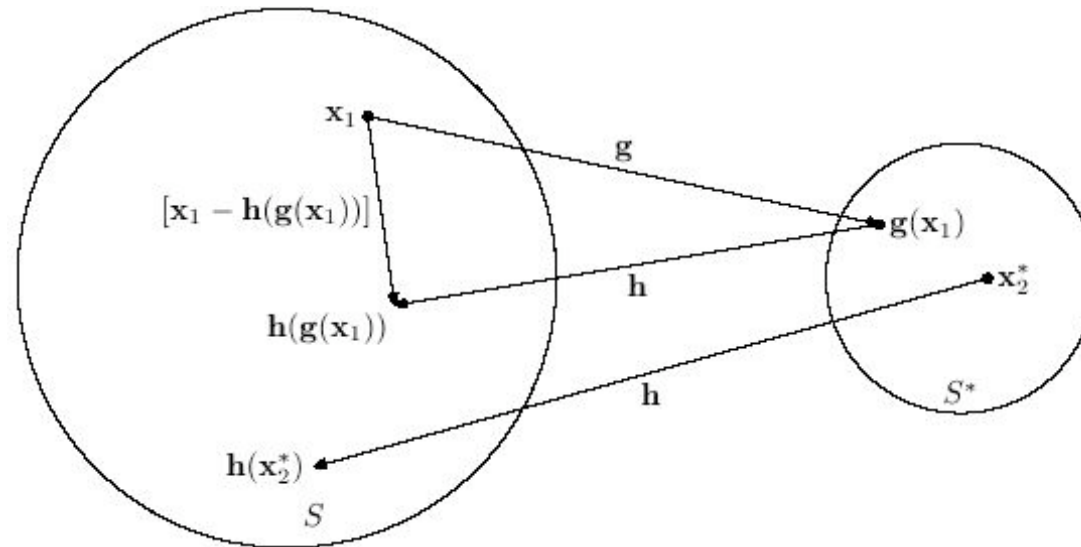


[Pullen&Bregler'2002]



[Safonova et. al'2004]

# Motion Models



- **S: space of human poses**
  - ☹ high number of DOF
- **S\*: lower dimensional subspace**
  - 👉 Mapping function between S and S\*

## Linear Motion Models (PCA)

### ■ Subspace from PCA

- $x$  is the vector of joint angles
- $F$  is the projection of  $x$  in eigenspace

$$F_1 = u_{11}x_1 + u_{21}x_2 + \cdots + u_{p1}x_p$$

...

$$F_m = u_{1m}x_1 + u_{2m}x_2 + \cdots + u_{pm}x_p$$

$$E_m = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i}{\sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i}$$

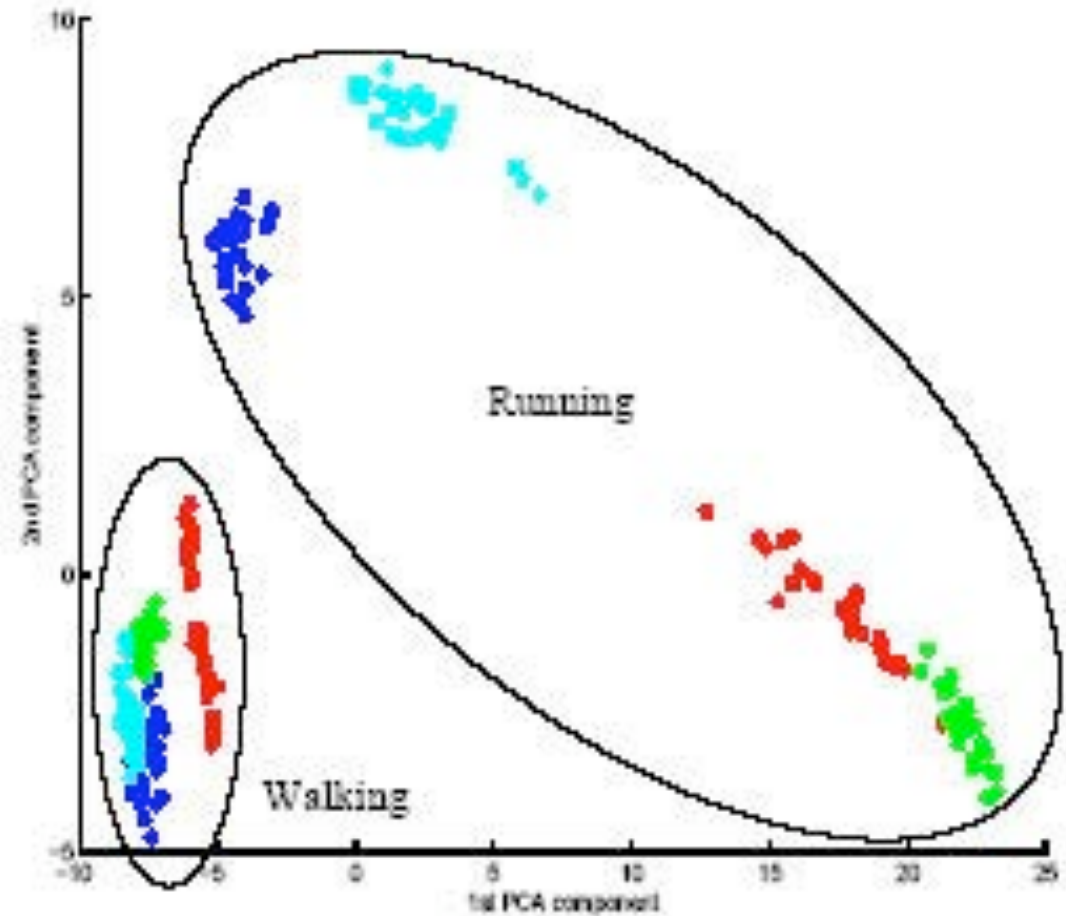
Contributive Factor

### ■ Low dimensional description of motions

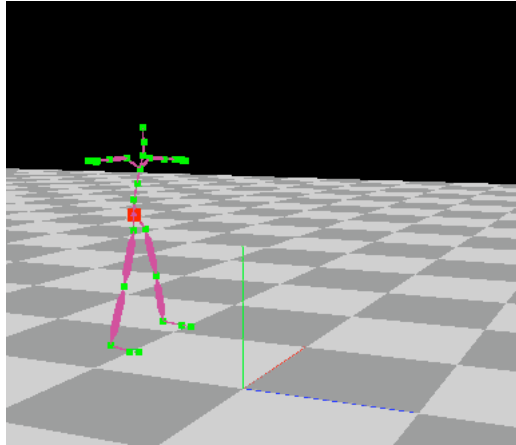


# Classification of activities in eigenspace

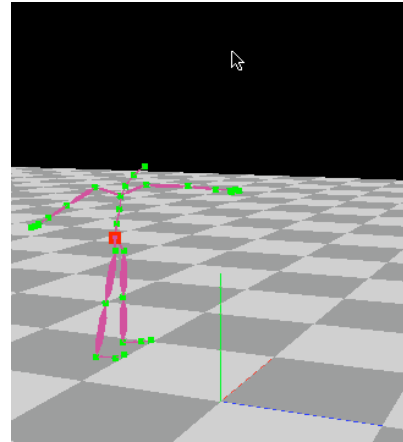
■ [Urtasun 2006]



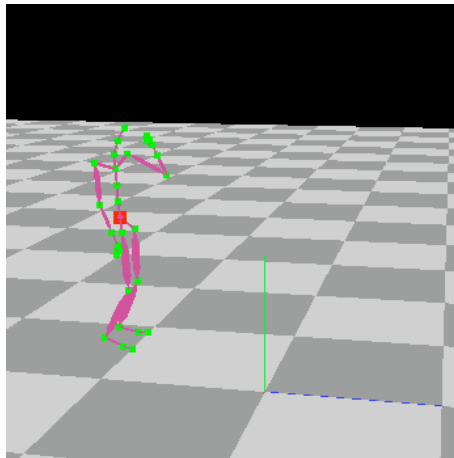
# Motion generation



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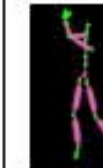
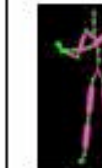





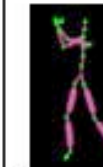


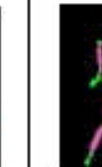



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Frame VJ Num	1	85	153	178	213	262	298
1							
3							
6							
13							
23							
33							
43							
53							

# Motion similarity

$$P_{MN} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\text{Dim}} M(i) * N(i)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{\text{Dim}} (M(i))^2 * \sum_{i=1}^{\text{Dim}} (N(i))^2}}$$

Golf1								
Golf2								

Golf1(447 frames), Golf2(492 frames), The comparability is:  $P_{MOV} = 0.9691$

Swim1						
Swim2						

Swim1(1536 frames), Swim2(1780 frames), The comparability is:  $P_{MOV} = 0.9236$

# Motion similarity

$P_{MN}$	Liu_walk1	Liu_walk2	Liu_walk3	Liu_walk4
Liu_walk1	1	0.9653	0.9383	0.8405

$P_{MN}$	Rory_run1	Steve_walk1	Rory_walk1	Takeo_walk1
Liu_walk1	0.5366	0.6996	0.7080	0.7759

$P_{MN}$	Golf1	Swim1	Kickball
Liu_walk1	0.3481	0.1046	0.5889



## Gaussian Process Dynamical Model (GPDM)

- Proposed by Wang, Fleet, Hertzmann in 2005.
- Based on the work of Gaussian Process Latent Variable Model proposed by Lawrence in 2004.

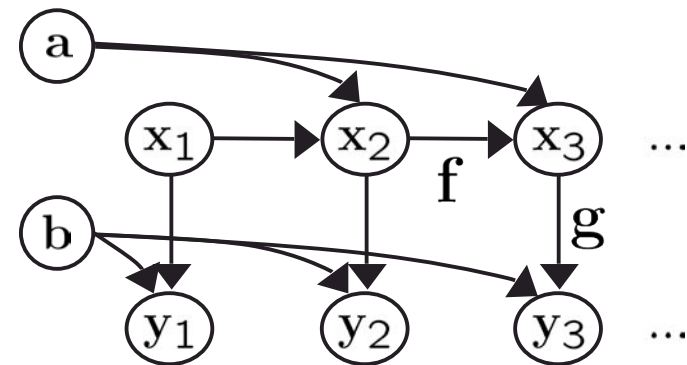
## Gaussian Process Dynamical Model (GPDM)

Latent dynamical model:

$$y_t = g(x_t; \mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{n}_{y,t} \quad \text{pose reconstruction}$$

$$x_t = f(x_{t-1}; \mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{n}_{x,t} \quad \text{latent dynamics}$$

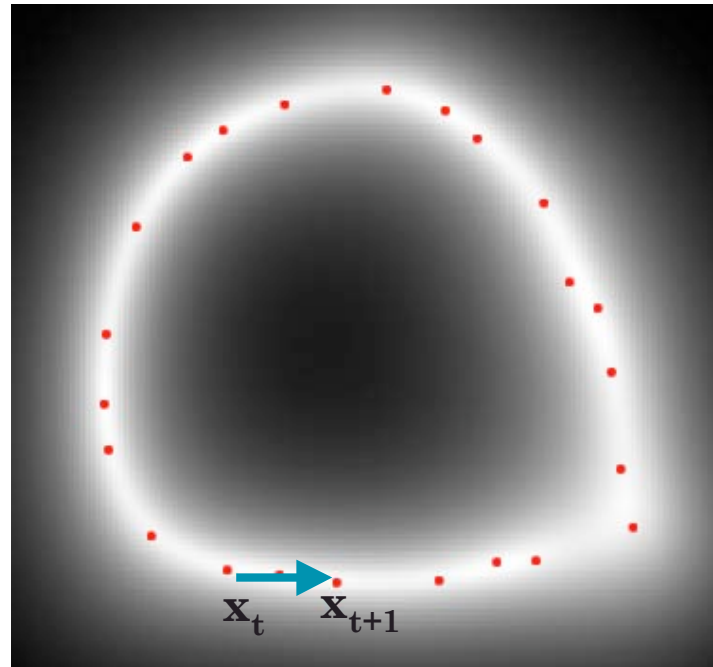
Here,  $x_t \in \mathbb{R}^l$  denotes the  $l$  dimensional latent coordinates at time  $t$ ,  $f$  and  $g$  mappings parameterized by  $a$  and  $b$



$n_{x,t}$  and  $n_{y,t}$  are zero-mean, isotropic, white Gaussian noise



# Dynamical models



$$x_t = f(x_{t-1}; a) + n_{x,t}$$



# Reconstruction

The data likelihood for the reconstruction mapping, given centered inputs  $\mathbf{Y} \equiv [\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_N]^T$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_n \in \mathcal{R}^d$  has the form:

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \bar{\beta}, \mathbf{W}) &= \prod_{j=1}^d \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{Y}_j; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}_Y/w_j^2) \\ &= \frac{|\mathbf{W}|^N}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{Nd} |\mathbf{K}_Y|^d}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}\left(\mathbf{K}_Y^{-1} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{W}^2 \mathbf{Y}^T\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

where

$\mathbf{Y}_j$  contains the  $j^{\text{th}}$ -dimension of each training pose

$\mathbf{K}_Y$  is a kernel matrix with entries  $(\mathbf{K}_Y)_{ij} = k_Y(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$  for kernel function (with hyperparameters  $\bar{\beta} = \{\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3\}$ )

$$k_Y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \beta_1 \exp\left(-\frac{\beta_2}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|^2\right) + \beta_3^{-1} \delta_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'}$$

$\mathbf{W} \equiv \text{diag}(w_1, \dots, w_d)$  scales different pose dimensions

# Dynamics

The latent dynamic process on  $\mathbf{X} \equiv [\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N]^T$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_n \in \mathcal{R}^l$  has a similar form:

$$p(\mathbf{X} | \bar{\alpha}) = \frac{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_1; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_l)}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{(N-1)l} |\mathbf{K}_X|^l}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{K}_X^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{X}} \hat{\mathbf{X}}^T)\right)$$

where

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}} = [\mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N]^T$$

$\mathbf{K}_X$  is a kernel matrix defined by kernel function

$$k_X(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \alpha_1 \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha_2}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|^2\right) + \alpha_3 \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}' + \alpha_4^{-1} \delta_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'}$$

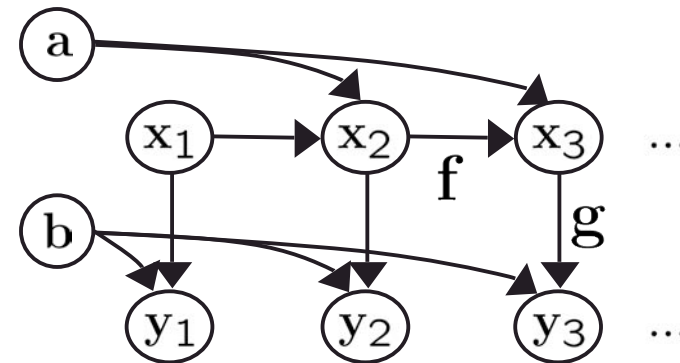
with hyperparameters  $\bar{\alpha}$

# Markov Property

Subspace dynamical model:

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}; \mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{n}_{x,t}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}_t; \mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{n}_{y,t}$$



**Remark:** Conditioned on  $\{\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_j\}$ , the dynamical model is 1<sup>st</sup>-order Markov, but the marginalization introduces longer temporal dependence.





# Dynamical models

- **Hidden Markov Model (HMM)**
- **Linear Dynamical Systems (LDS)**  
[van Overschee et al '94; Doretto et al '01]
- **Switching LDS**  
[Ghahramani and Hinton '98; Pavlovic et al '00; Li et al '02]
- **Nonlinear Dynamical Systems**  
[e.g., Ghahramani and Roweis '00]

# Learning

**Training poses:**  $\mathbf{Y} \equiv [\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_N]^T$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_n \in \mathcal{R}^D$

**Model parameters:**

- 3D latent coordinates:  $\mathbf{X} \equiv \{\mathbf{x}_n\}_{n=1}^N$
- RBF kernel hyperparameters:  $\bar{\beta} = \{\beta_j\}$   $\bar{\alpha} = \{\alpha_j\}$
- weights on output dimensions:  $\mathbf{W} = \text{diag}(w_1, \dots, w_D)$

**Learning:** estimate parameters by maximizing

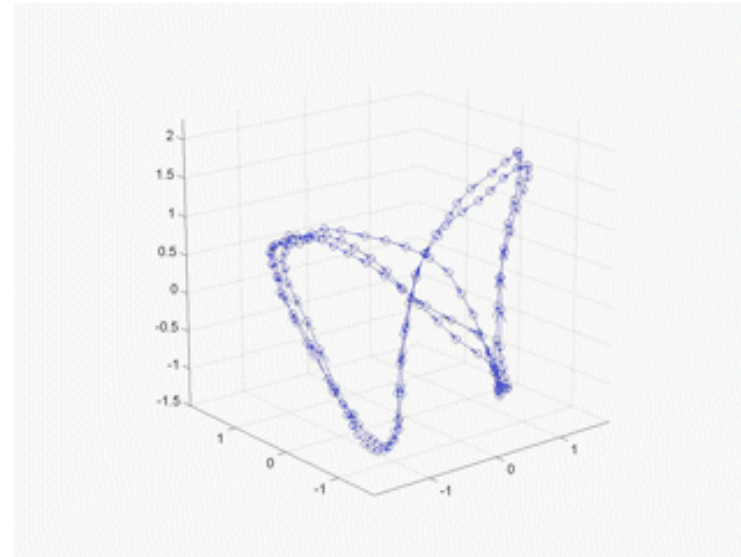
$$p(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{X}, \bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}, \mathbf{W}) = p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \bar{\beta}, \mathbf{W}) p(\mathbf{X} | \bar{\alpha}) p(\bar{\alpha}) p(\bar{\beta})$$

training motions    latent trajectories    hyperparameters    reconstruction likelihood    dynamics likelihood    priors

# Motion Capture Data



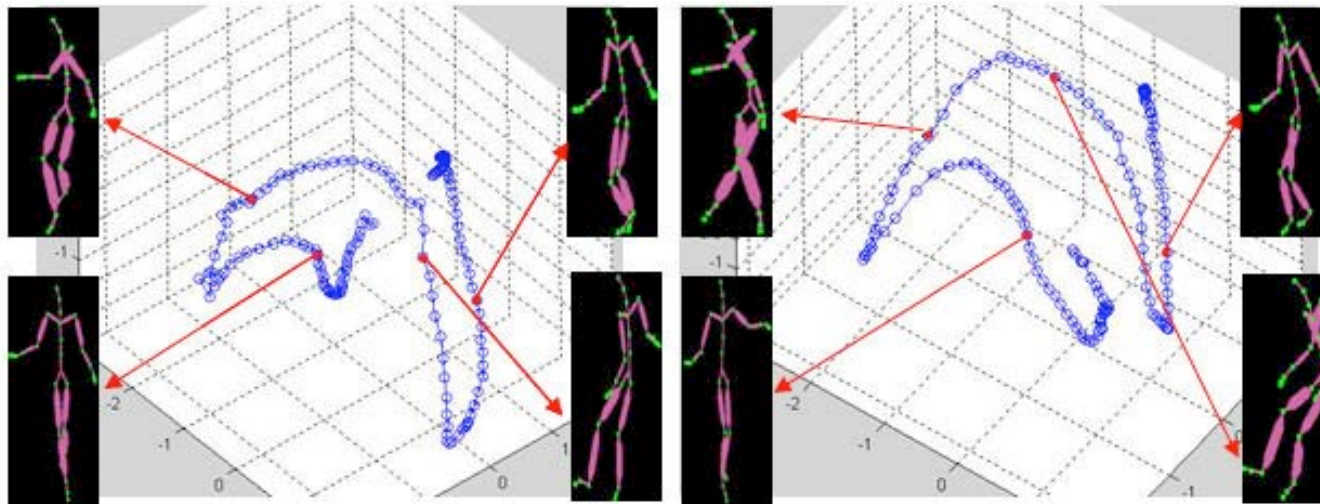
~2.5 gait cycles (158 frames)



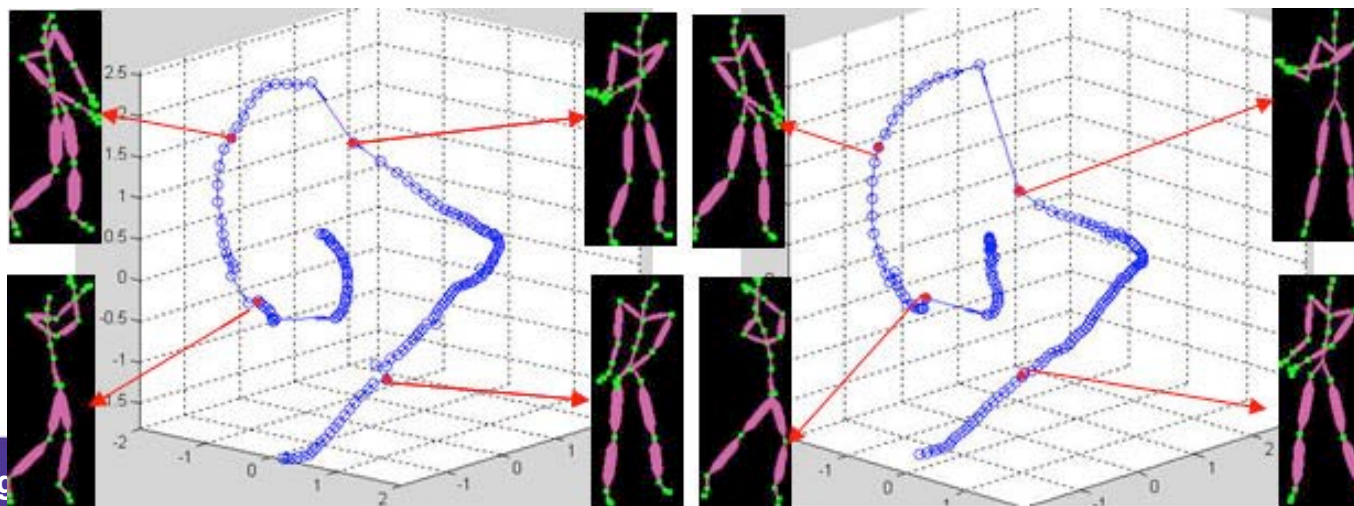
Learned latent coordinates  
(1st-order prediction, RBF kernel)

56 joint angles + 3 global translational velocity + 3 global orientation  
from CMU motion capture database

# Different motions



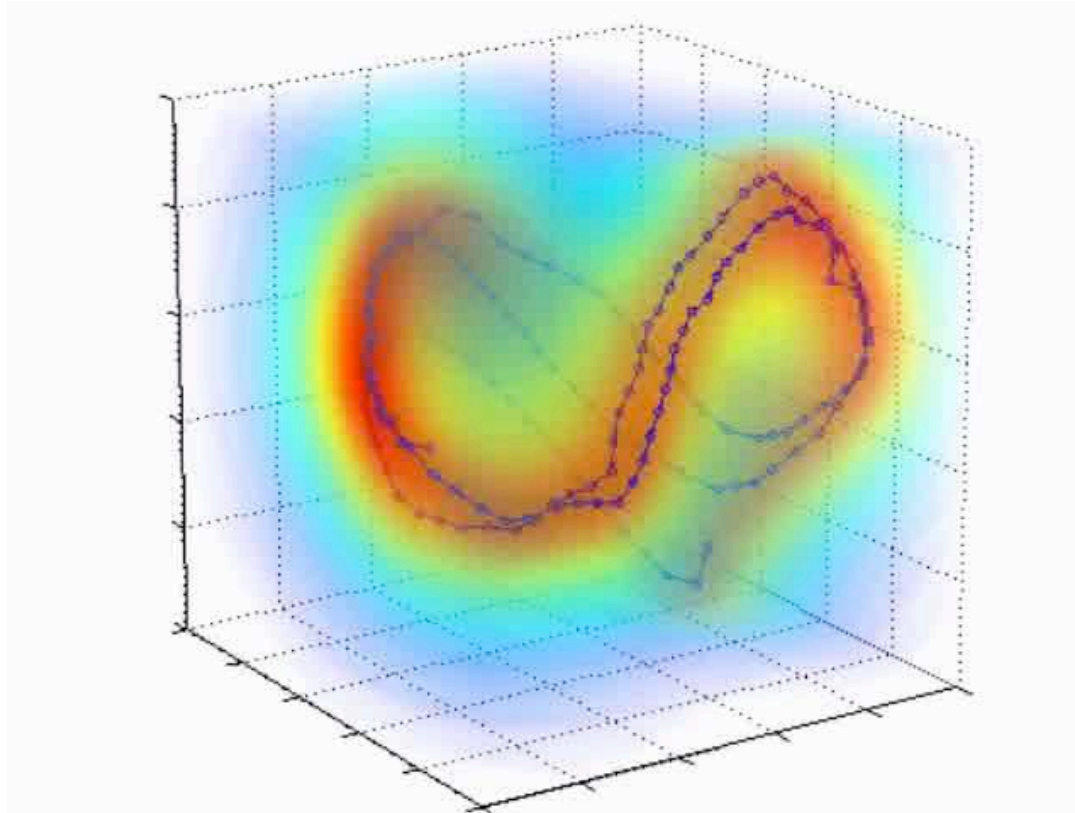
Football



Golf



# Reconstruction Variance

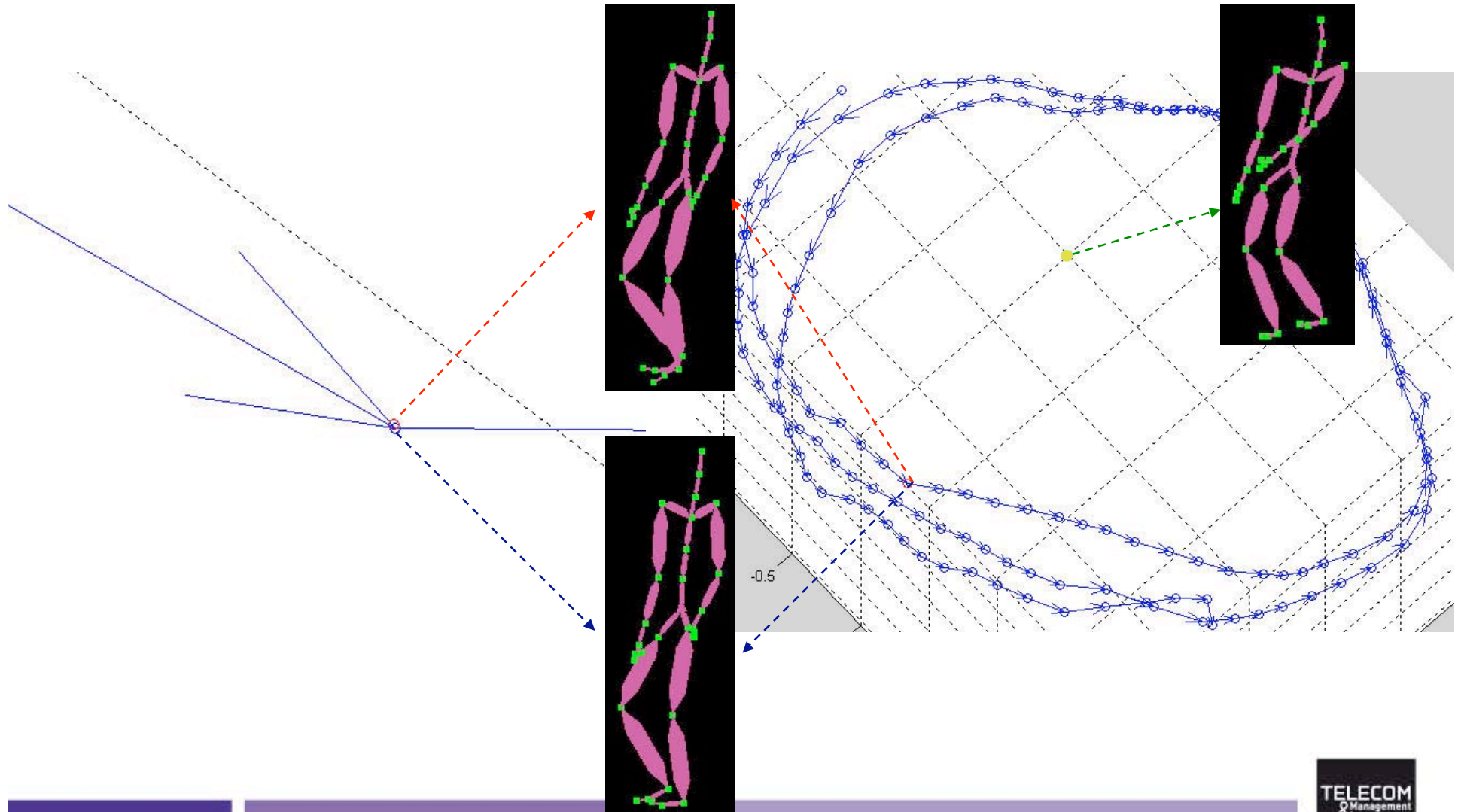


Volume visualization of  $\ln \sigma_y^2 |_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}}$

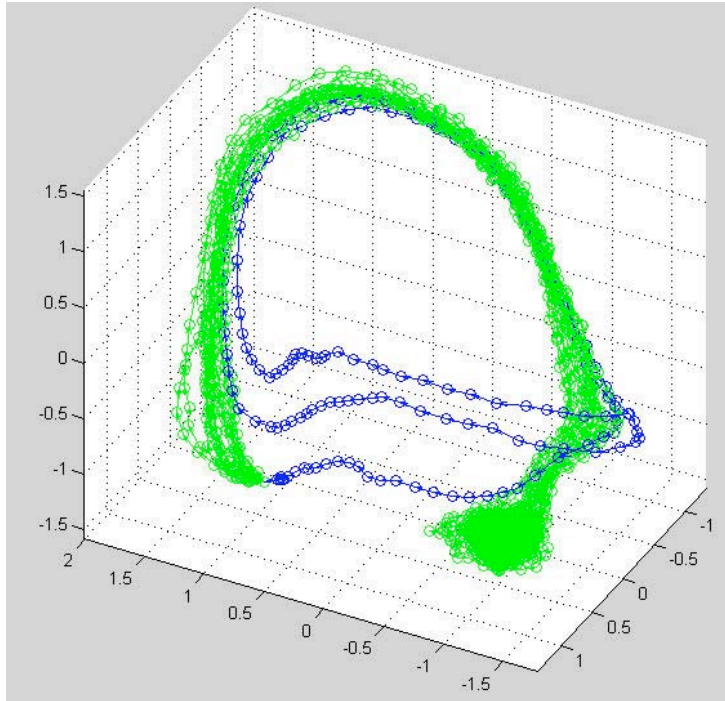
[Wang 05]



# Reconstruction



# Motion Simulation



Random trajectories  
(~1 gait cycle, 60 steps)



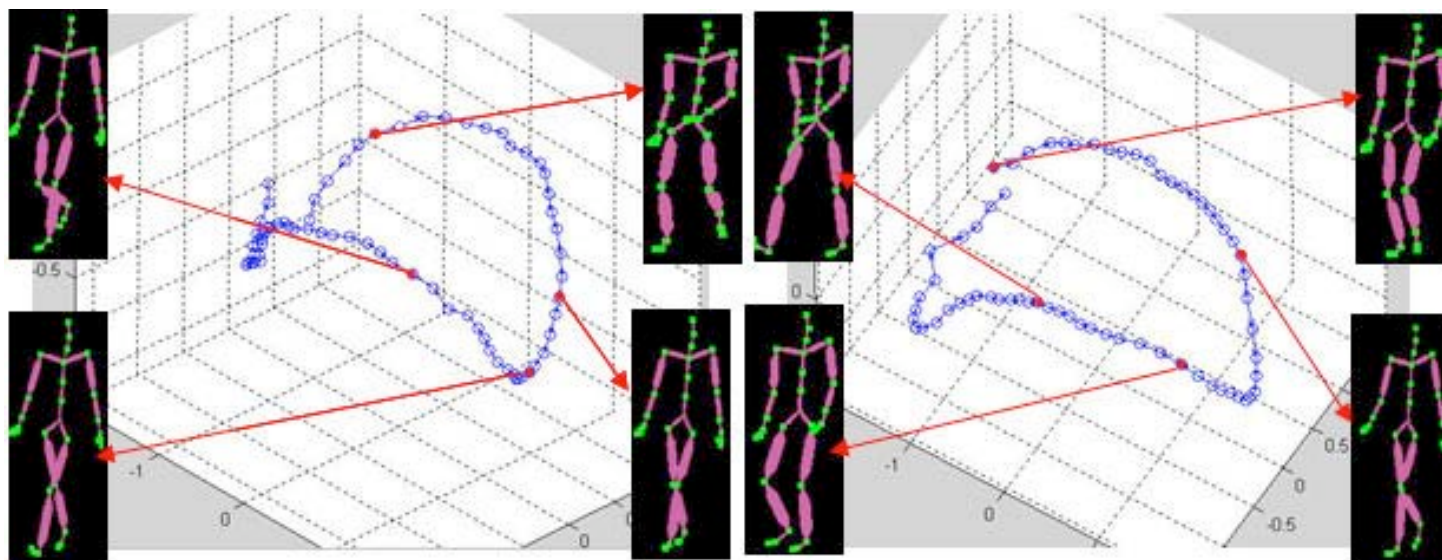
*Original*



*Generated*



Motion	Walking1	Walking2	Football1	Football2	Golf1	Golf2
Length	135	156	369	302	313	292





# GPDM based motion analysis

- 3D curve moment invariants



# GPDM based motion analysis

Motions	$m_0$	$m_1$	$m_2$	$m_3$
Walking 1	10.317	19.832	109.500	136.198
Walking 2	10.728	22.619	135.738	137.800
Walking 3	9.693	21.052	120.148	108.560
Football 1	19.507	60.025	1138.477	6738.425
Football 2	19.527	56.614	1023.861	5954.281
Golf 1	15.262	47.914	741.376	3705.910
Golf 2	16.295	51.833	854.212	4486.878
Golf 3	16.718	43.669	603.590	2650.057

3D curve moment invariants of  
different motions

# GPDM based motion analysis

D	Walking 1	Walking 2	Walking 3	Football 1	Football 2	Golf 1	Golf 2	Golf 3
Walking 1	0	0.056	0.039	1.564	1.410	0.934	1.106	0.770
Walking 2	0.056	0	0.061	1.525	1.370	0.892	1.064	0.725
Walking 3	0.039	0.061	0	1.563	1.408	0.930	1.102	0.771
Football 1	1.564	1.525	1.563	0	0.164	0.642	0.469	0.827
Football 2	1.410	1.370	1.410	0.164	0	0.492	0.322	0.666
Golf 1	0.934	0.892	0.930	0.642	0.492	0	0.174	0.223
Golf 2	1.106	1.064	1.102	0.469	0.322	0.174	0	0.377
Golf 3	0.770	0.725	0.771	0.827	0.666	0.223	0.377	0

The Euclidean distance of different motions





# Conclusion

- **Linear motion models provide a low-dimensional parameterization for simple motions.**
- **GPDM provide motion models from small training data sets.**
- **Motion models be used to constrain inference to plausible poses and motions.**
- **Perspectives:**
  - learn models with many different activities.
  - as prior models to tracking complex motions.





Thank you.

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