Breakout Session 2: Track A

Development of Deep Learning-Based Kinematic Data Acquisition

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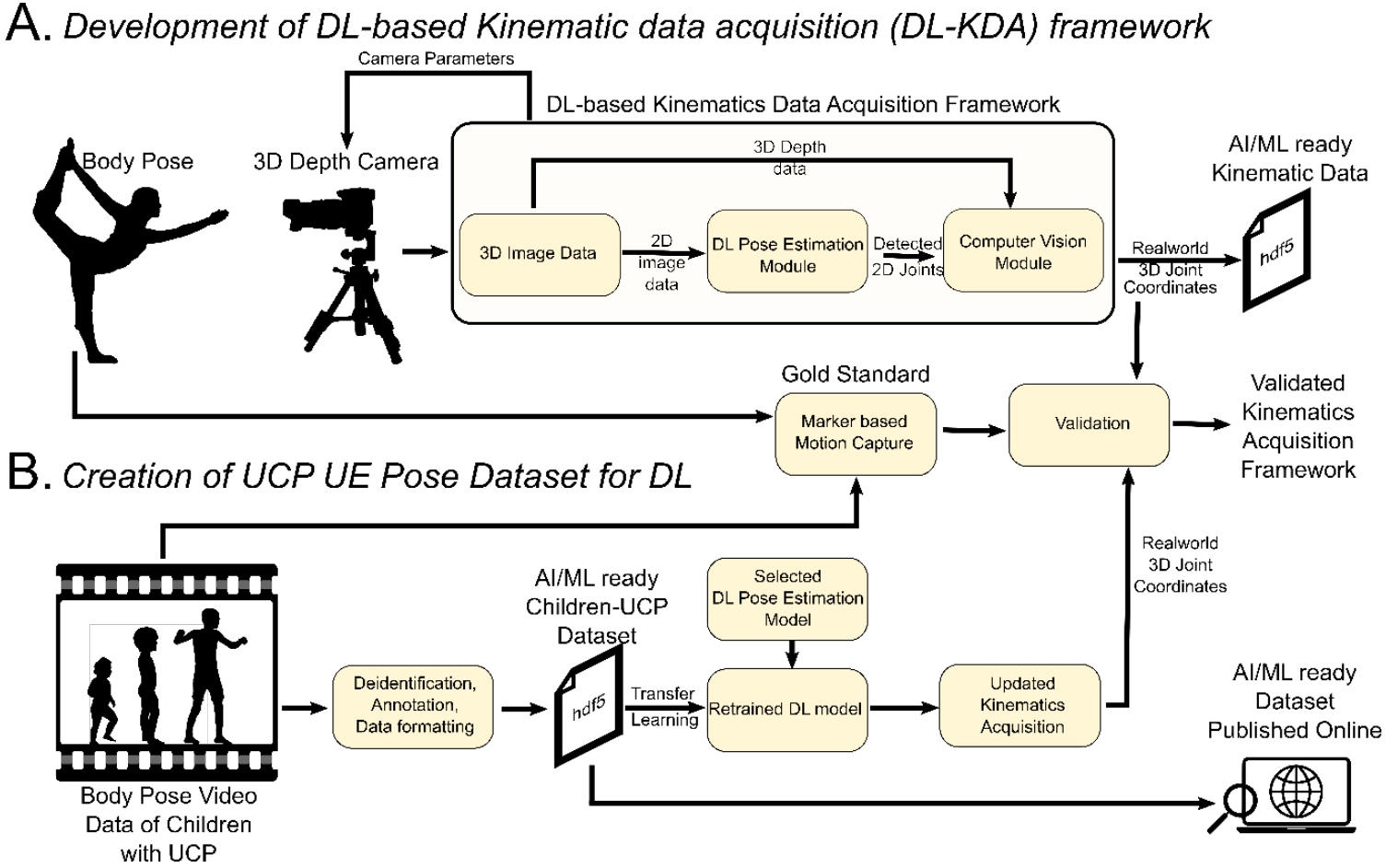
Project Summary

- Determine how to optimally target transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS) to enhance upper extremity (UE) efficacy training in children with unilateral cerebral palsy (UCP).
- Most existing hand function assessments miss finer details on movement that is reflected in kinematics.
- Critical information from changes in movement kinematics is ignored
- Can help optimize interventions
- Until recently, kinematic data extraction has been expensive and/or unreliable.

Supplement Project Goals



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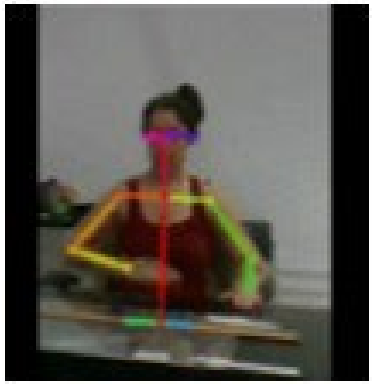

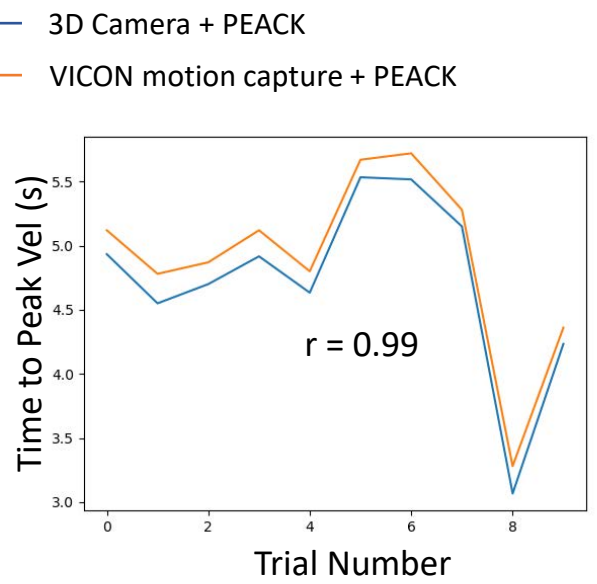

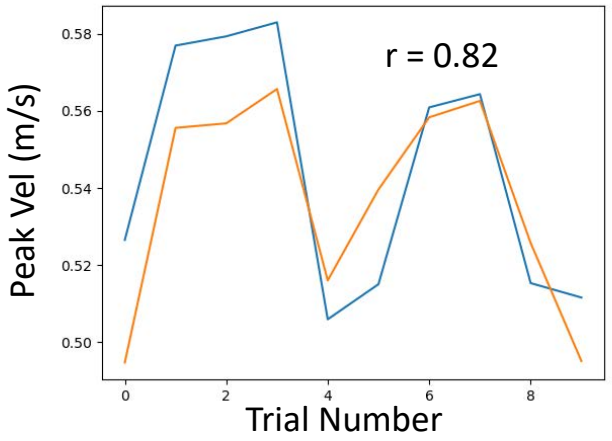

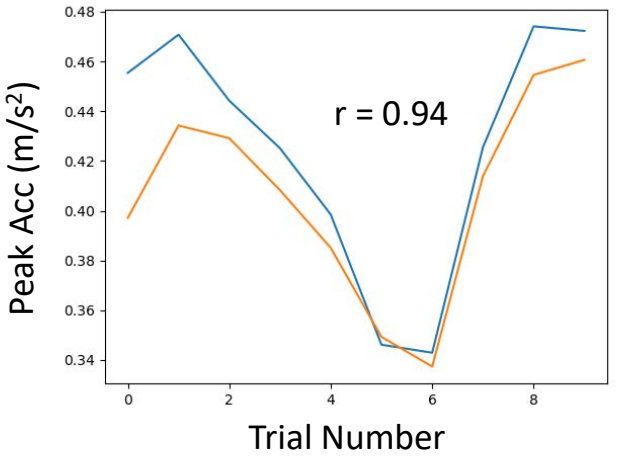

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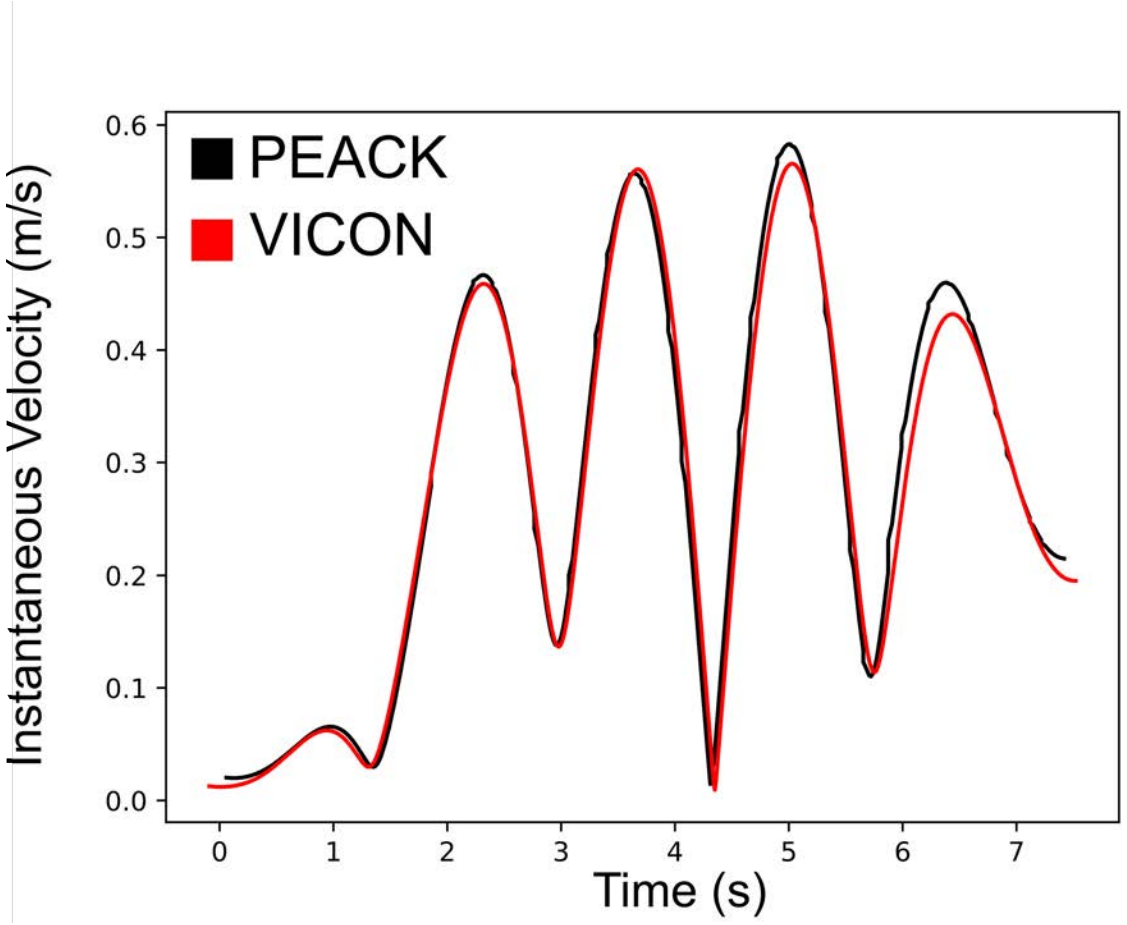
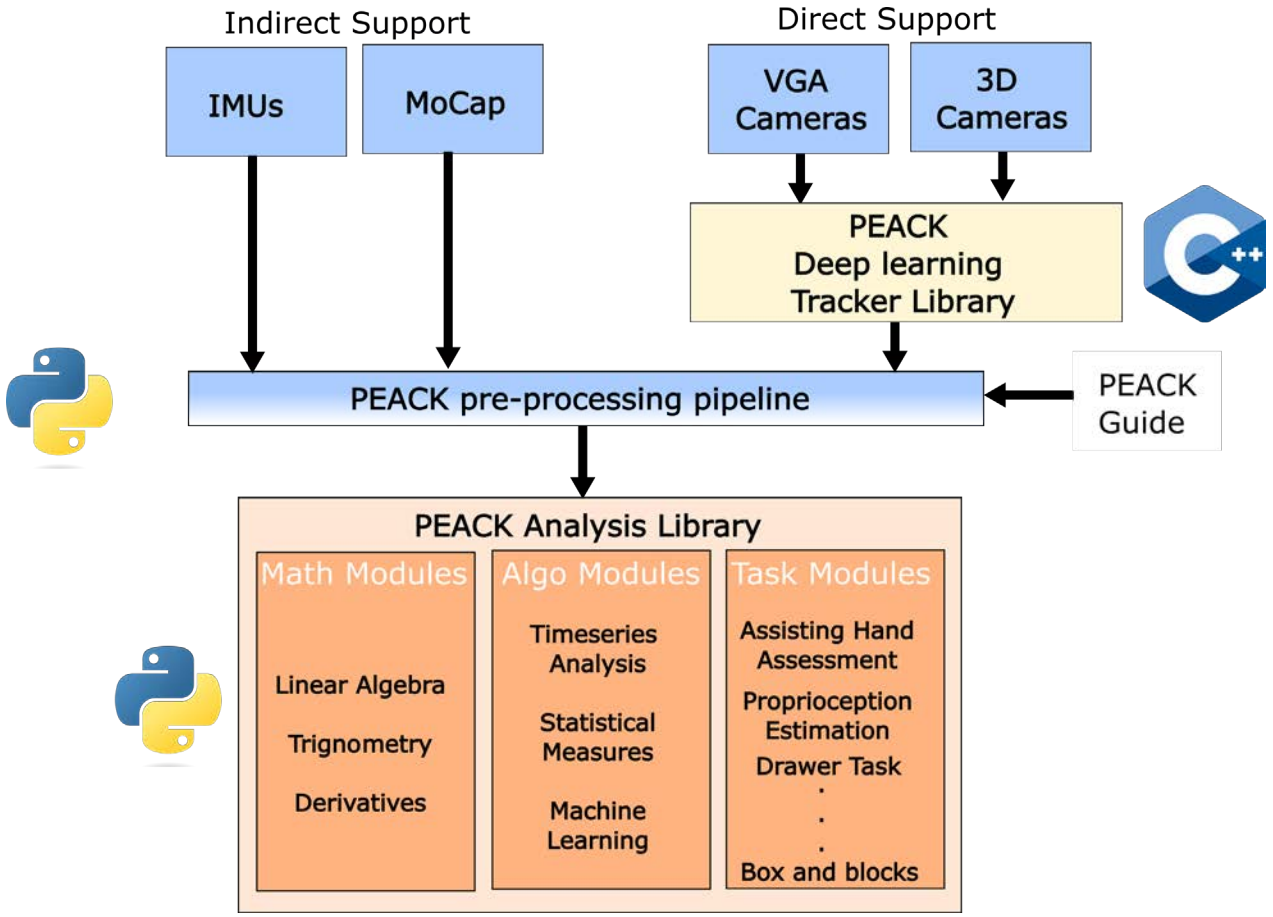


Dataset construction

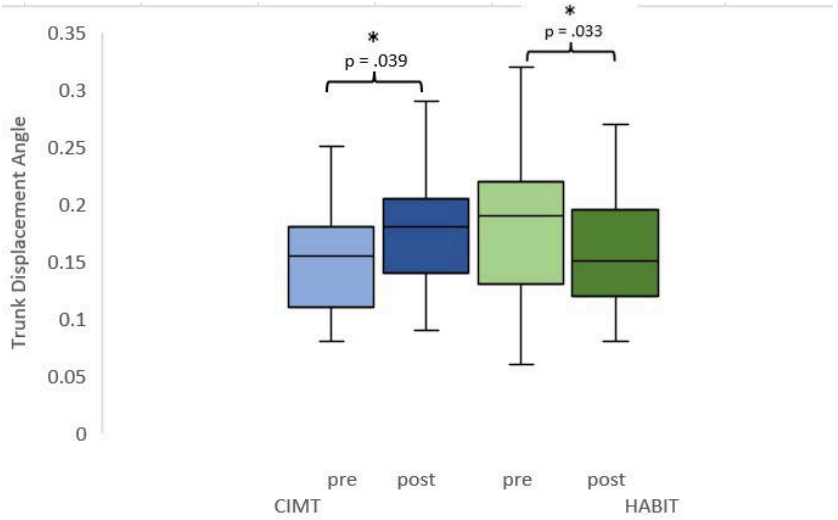
- Retrospectively obtained and analyzed a total of 135,000 images of 50 children with cerebral palsy performing upper limb movement from a previous cohort (2015-2018).
- Obtained and analyzed a total of 50,000 images of 21 children with cerebral palsy during static poses with upper limbs.
- Obtained and analyzed a total of 72,000 images of 10 children with cerebral palsy during unimanual reaching-grasping task.

Current PEACK framework



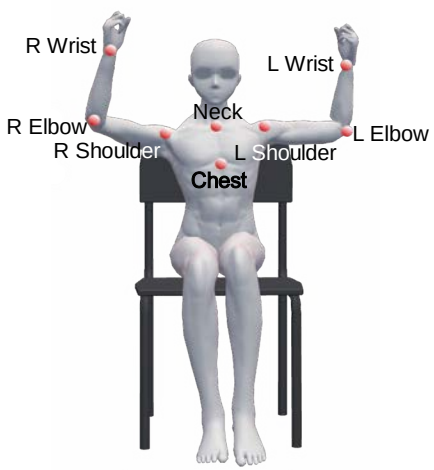
https://github.com/shivak7/PEACK

Using PEACK to study Trunk movement during Assisting Hand Assessment



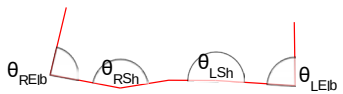
Using PEACK for studying proprioceptive position sense

A) Measured Joints

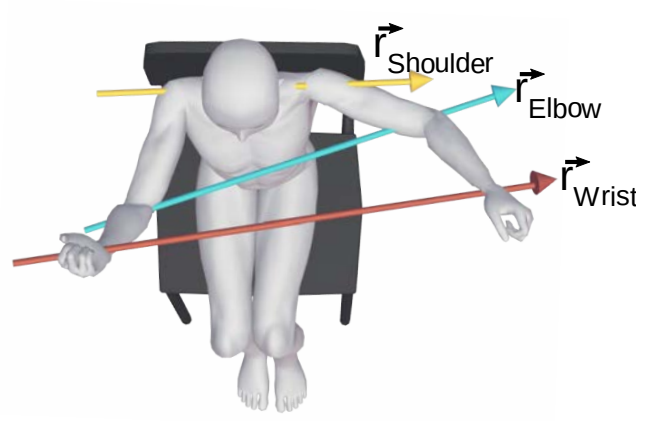


B) Distance Symmetry

C) Angle Symmetry



D) Orientation Symmetry



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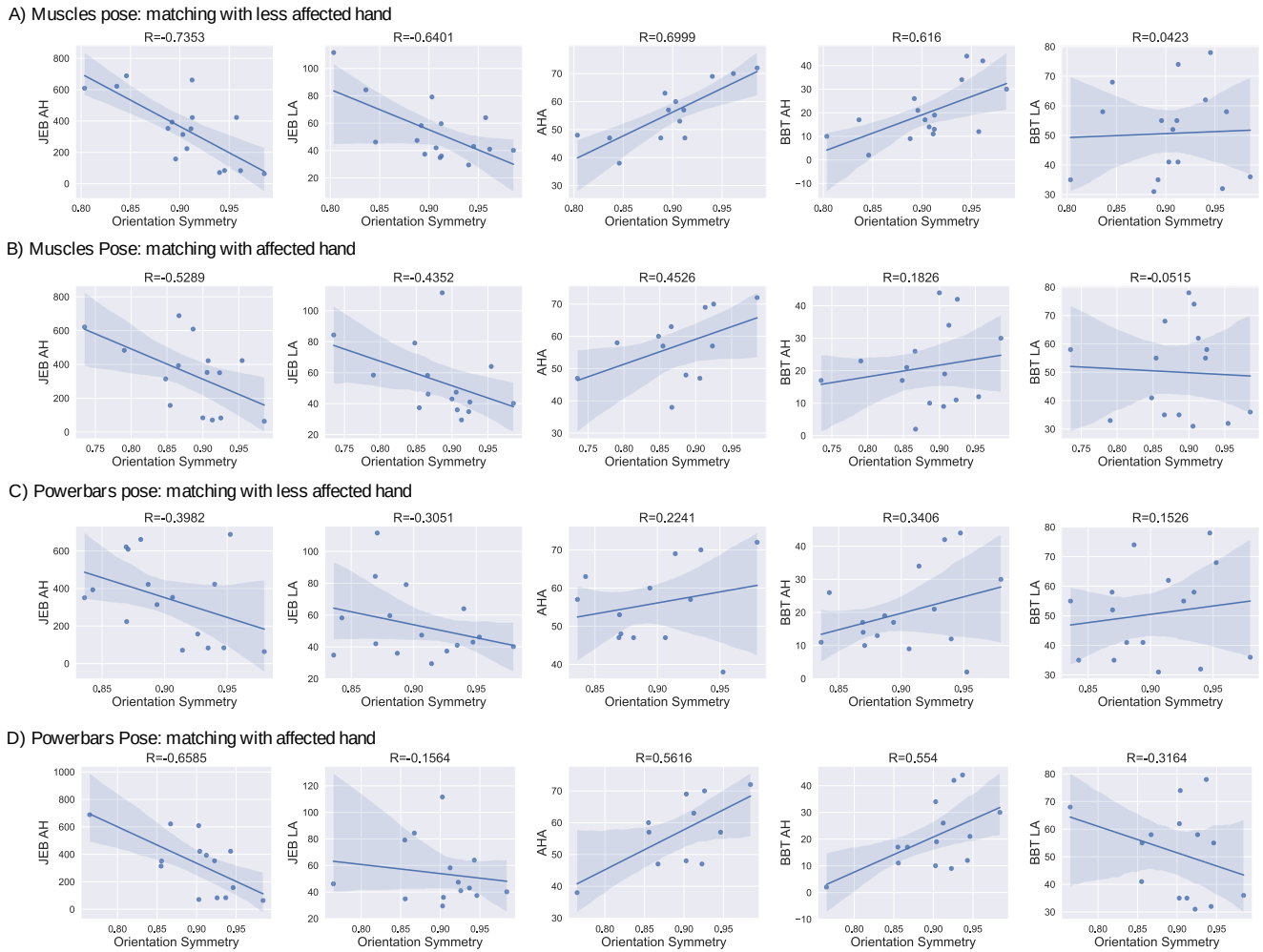

Challenges

1. General noise in marker-less kinematic data

- Careful filtering of data to adjust for body tracking artifacts introduced by the Deep Learning tracker.
- High pass filtering (5^{th} order, 5Hz cut off) followed by median filtering with a window between 0.1 to 1 times the sample period.
- Filter parameters should be adjusted depending on the task.

2. Noise from additional individuals appearing in background

- Unique identification of each individual is still a challenging problem in DL trackers.
- Implemented a semi-supervised heuristic method of tracking a single person.

3. Nature of typical tasks has view of lower limbs missing in recordings and kinematics

- Make initial dataset focus specifically on upper limbs.
- Add views of entire individual during assessments.

Challenges

4. Increase dataset size of annotated images of children with cerebral palsy.

- Use semi-supervised labeling methods.
- Include image data from other studies (collaborators) of children with cerebral palsy.

5. Validating hand movement kinematics in upper limbs using marker based mocap.

- Participants are conscious of markers and adhesive contact with the skin.
- Hand movements are more unnatural.
- Use smaller markers and/or adhesives which can stretch with skin.

Future Work

- Collect full body movement videos from children with cerebral palsy.
- Retrain DL body tracker libraries with updated dataset.
- Implement multi-camera support within the PEACK framework.
- Add DL depth estimation support to try extracting 3D kinematics from 2D videos.
- Add DL Frame interpolation support to improve video quality and decrease error in extracted kinematics.
- Expand PEACK support to other available modes of body tracking.

Thank you!