



# The Biomechanical Wizard

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# **Golf Strobing**







# **Kinematics and Strobing**







APAS is a video-based 3D motion analysis system which provides objective biomechanical data the professional may use in any way (s)he wants.

Use it for biomechanics Use it for motion capture. Use it for sports analysis. Use it for gait analysis. Use it for diagnosis and treatment outcome.









ACES uniquely controls, records, evaluates and modifies functional performance with user defined parameters.

Use it to build muscular strength or muscular endurance

Use it for isometric. isotonic, isokinetic or muscle overload training.

Perform any variable resistance, variable velocity, or feedback controlled exercise.

Computerized Exercise System



# **Brief History**

Mybridge, The Inventor of Recorded Motion 1894

Mexico City Olympics 1968

Montreal Olympics 1976

Los Angeles Olympics 1984

□ The USA Women Volleyball 1976-1984

More video clips at:

http://www.sportsci.com/media

### **Rear Projection Digitizing**

#### Sports Illustrated, August 1977



"Faith" is a fine invention When Gentlemen can see-But Microscopes are prudent In an Emergency. -EMILY DICKINSON





Digitizing, Ariel uses his sonic pen to determine the coordinates of javelin thrower Bill Schmidt.

## Working with Olympic Athletes

#### New Scientist, July 1980



Gideon Ariel uses an electronic pen to trace a film frame of a shot putter; a computer simultaneously displays the image

### USA Volleyball Olympic Team

#### Volleyball Monthly, April 1983





Tennis pro Vic Braden, hooked to a computer by electrodes, demonstrates how movement and muscle response can be tested to improve play.



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<sup>66</sup> Human beings are creative, but we have terrible memories. Computers are ignorant, but their memories are infinite. You have to guide them step-by-step and channel your creativity through the computer software—which is the program created by human ingenuity?? Dr. Gideon Ariel in SPORTS ILLUSTRATED

Coto Research's Sophisticated World of Computer Software

This is how the system works:

INDIRECT ANALYSIS



#### HIGH SPEED CINEMATOGRAPHY

High speed cameras are used to take motion pictures from multi-angled views to provide accurate positional data. Above, Flo Hyman of the U.S. Womens Olympic Volleyball Team.

#### DIGITIZING

After high speed movies are taken, the image is projected, frame by frame, onto a sophisticated digitizer which inputs into the computer memory the location of each of the body's joint centers. This procedure is repeated for each camera angle. Dr. M. Ann Penny demonstrates this digitizing process.





To analyze the body's efficiency, Ariel runs a film of the athlete through a computer, freezing each frame and measuring critical angles and lengths with a magnetic pen (left). The computer then creates a schematic printout (right)—in this case, of Jimmy Connors as he serves.

#### With Professor Zhang at our laboratory in Coto De Caza 2001









### The Biomechanics Conference in Guangzhou - 2003





## **Athens Olympics 2004**





## Optimizing Athletic Performance Through High-Technology Utilizing the APAS Wizard System



By Gideon Ariel, Ph.D. Athens Olympics, 2004

## Data Collection at the Athens Olympics-2004



# MOVEMENT ANALYSIS CAN BE APPLIED TO:













### ALL APPLICATIONS UTILIZED SIMILAR QUANTIFICATION TECHNIQUES





### Captures Movement in Three-Dimensional Space





### Basic Components of Motion Analysis System



Capture videos using several cameras simultaneously and save the clips directly as AVI files to your hard disk. This allows you to connect multiple digital video cameras to your computer and to start capturing with one mouse click.



## HIGH TECHNOLOGY



- > 3D Kinematic Computer Analysis of Motion
- Kinetic [force] Ground Reaction Forces / Balance
- Computerized Strength Analysis Equipment
- Dynamic EMG [electromyography]

### The Spectrum of Athletic Performances

- Explosive Events
  - Throwing
  - Sprinting
  - Jumping
- Endurance Events
  - Long Distance Run
  - Swimming
  - Cycling
- Accuracy Events
  - Golf
  - Archery



- Team Sports
  - Soccer
  - Basketball
  - Hockey
- Esthetic Events
  - Figure Skating
  - Gymnastics
  - Diving
- Multi Events
  - Decathlon
  - Pentathlon







## Analysis of Performance Require:

Video Recording Digitizing the Data Manual Automatic Transformation of the Data 2D - Two Dimensional 3D - Three Dimensional



# Hardware

- Main Computer System
  Workstations
  High Speed Camera
  Capture Card
- □ <u>Network</u>
  - Intranet
  - Internet





# The APAS System



**Filter** 



1-CapDV



2-Trimmer



4-Transform



5-Filter



6-Display

7-ApasView



Microsoft



Gait



8-Analog

9-Vectors

A-Apas2excel



Delta



Wizard





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## BIOMECHANICAL SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES OF A.AGASSI'S FIRST AND SECOND SERVES

## A. Vorobiev, G. Ariel, D. Dent










# comparison of A. Agassi's first and second serves

<b>Kinematic Parameters</b>	First Serve	Second Serve
Ball Speed at the Moment of Impact [n	45.8+-2.2	37.9+-2.4
Directional Angle [degrees]	17+-4	10+-5
Ball Position at the impact relative to the [m]		
Forward	.13+02	0+03
Left Lateral	.12+04	.36+04
CG Maximal Speed [m/s]	1.89+1	1.71+09

# **Software Integration**



### **Display and Analysis**









#### **Photogrammetric Physical Parameters**



### <u>J Edwards, World Record in the</u> <u>Triple Jump – 18.29M</u>



The world record in triple jump of 18.29m by J. Edwards, UK

#### **TRIPLE JUMP – World Record**

During the World Championships in Athletics in August 1995 in Gothenburg Sweden, a research group had access to videotape the final of the mens triple jump. In this competition Jonathan Edwards broke the existing world record twice. The research group consisted of Per Aagaard, Morten Havkrog, Erik B. Simonsen, Gideon Ariel and Leif Dahlberg. The hop, step and jump were recorded by separate cameras with a shutter of 1/1000 sec. Later the 9 best athletes of the final were analysed by the APAS system.







### LONG JUMP TECHNIQUE: POWER OR SPEED?

A. VOROBIEV, G.B.ARIEL, I, TER-OVANESSIAN

### **Comparative Kinematic Characteristics**

Parameters of the Long Jump	M.Powell	C.Lewis
General Information		
Official Distance [m]	8.95	8.91
Effective Distance [m]	8.98	8.91
Favorable Wind Velocity [m/s]	0.3	2.9
The Approach		
Average Speed: 11-6m to the Board [m/s]	10.79	11.23
Average Speed: 6-1m to the Board [m/s]	10.94	11.26
The Length of the Third-Last Stride [m]	2.4	2.23
The Length of the Second-Last Stride [m]	2.47	2.7
The Length of the Last Stride [m]	2.28	1.88
The Take-Off		
CM Horizontal Velocity [m/s]	9.27	9.11
CM Vertical Velocity [m/s]	4.21	3.37
Angle of Projection [deg]	24.1	20.3
Angle of body Lean at Touch-Dow n [deg]	71.8	77
Angle of body Lean at Take-Off [deg]	73.9	67.5

## **CM Velocities**



# Change of the Height of CM



# Angular Displacement



Angular Velocity





### Biomechanical Analysis of Discus Throwing at Olympic Games



### **Methods**

The track & field project involved collecting video records of the preliminaries and final performances of various events for the immediate development of digital movies to be uploaded on the internet. There Were 18 Throwers During the Qualifying Round and the Best 8 Athletes Competed for the Gold Medal in the Final Round.





#### Video Cameras Were Placed in Several Locations to Maximize the Data Obtained for the Event







Because the Discus Throw Involves Both Linear and Rotary Motion, the Optimal Data Collection Situation Utilizes at Least Three Cameras Placed Appropriately So That None of the Athlete's Motion Is Obscured Dimensions of Known Factors and Various Other Measured Objects in the Field of View Were Used for the Calibration Points



### **3-D DLT Composite Control Cube**











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#### Washington Throwing Kinematics

Attempt	Distance m.	Velocity cm∙sec <sup>-1</sup>	Projection Angle rad (deg)	Release HT cm	Move Time sec
Best Throw	65.4	2541V <sub>r</sub> 2134 V <sub>x</sub>	.52 (29.9)	120	1.2
Worst Throw	61.3	2441 V <sub>r</sub> 1222 V <sub>x</sub>	1.05 (59.9)	140	1.4
% Change	-6.3%	-4.0% V <sub>r</sub> -43.0% V <sub>x</sub>	+100%	+17%	+12%

#### DISCUS THROW DISTANCE m.



#### DISCUS PROJECTION VELOCITY cm/sec



COMPETITOR

#### DISCUS RELEASE ANGLE deg



Riedel
Dubrov
Kap
Wash

#### DISCUS RELEASE HEIGHT m.



Dubrov

Kap

Wash

COMPETITOR

#### DISCUS MOVEMENT TIME sec.



#### COMPETITOR

**Throwing Kinematics for Top Four Discus** 

Performers at 1996 Atlanta Olympics

**69.4** 3080.1 21.9 1.5 **Riedel (Ger)** 3.0 Dubrovschchik 66.6 2718.5 29.1 1.8 2.3 (Blr) Kaptyukh (Blr) 65.8 2599.0 37.3 1.6 1.9 **65.4** 29.9 1.2 Washington 2498.0 1.6 (USA)





### **DISCUS THROW KINEMATICS**

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## What are the requirement and steps in Purchasing a new Biomechanical System

## Set your objectives for Analysis

- System Tryout
- Perform a full project with the tryout system
- All hardware must be off the shelves
- Hardware must be made in China
- Software must be downloadable
- Upgrades must be free
- Workstations must be added to the system
- Price must be realistic

Only the APAS System meets these objectives

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