Here Consumer Robots in Healthcare are Coming

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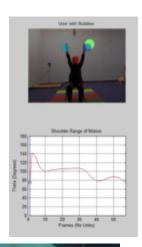
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 10yrs
- Professor at Georgia Tech.
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- Founder/CTO of startup company (Zyrobotics)



Current Research:

- Serious games and therapy devices for children with motor impairments
- Socially interactive robot therapy coaches
- Science Exploration in glacial environments
- Human-robot diver interaction for undersea exploration







Web: http://humanslab.ece.gatech.edu

Grass Root Consumer Robot Phenomenon

- Robot Hacker Culture
- Ingenuity and Execution surpassing that of commercial companies
- Robotic Startups and VCs abound
- Reminiscent of Hacker subculture at the dawn of the Personal Computer
- Enabled by Converging Technologies: Processing, Software, Sensors, Power Electronics

Robotics Evolution



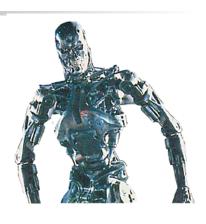




Now



Almost There



Getting There

Mobility	Wheels			+Manipulation
Sensors	None	Camera, Radar, Whisker, Sound		All
Communication	Receive Only	Low level Data Send/Receive	High-Level Data Send/Receive	Multi-modal - Speech, Gestures, etc.
Intelligence	None	Basic	Environment recognition & navigation	Cognition Learning
Enabling Technologies	R/C Radio	PC, WiFi, Webcam	AI Software	Artificial Muscle 1000x computing
Killer Application	Entertainment Contests	Telepresence, Security	Personal Assistant Military	Consumer?? - TBD

Industrial, Service and Personal Robotics



Industrial Robots

- Mature, established market
- Existing dedicated conferences, publications, portals and analyst groups
- Market growth slowing, and limited by:
 - Structured environments (factory floor)
 - High price and high entry fees



Service Robots

"A robot which operates semi or fully autonomously to perform services useful to the well being of humans and equipment, excluding manufacturing operations."



Personal Robots

"A domestic service robot which educates, entertains or assists in the home."



Consumer Robotics (Sample Submarkets)



Education



Vacuum Cleaners

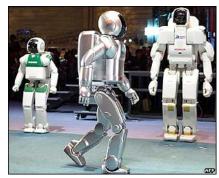


Personal Assistance



Lawn Mowers





Entertainment



Elder Assistance



Toys

The Stars are Aligned

- Robotics Market will continue to see significant growth
- Academic/Research is helping to drive robotic boom
- Large target market
 - 100's User Groups
 - 100's Academic Institutions
 - 100's Governmental Bodies (National and International)
 - Both B2B and consumer markets
- Large vendor market
 - Consumer (Sony, Honda, Lego, Hasbro, Epson, etc.)
 - Dedicated robotics vendors:
 - Military/Aeronautics/Security (Raytheon, United Technology, etc.)
 - Major IT vendors getting on board (Google, Microsoft, HP, IBM, etc.)







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Consumer Robotics in Healthcare

 Robotics used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of people with (or without) disabilities







Homes, Healthcare Facilities, ... Working with People Unpredictable Surroundings

Facts about Health

Disability = State of being functionally limited in the type or amount of activities that a person would normally be expected to perform







Disability Statistics in the US

- 18% or 51.2 million people live with some level of disability.
- 32.5 million (12% of the population) experience a severe disability.
 - Estimated 250,000 400,000 Americans affected by spinal cord injury (SCI) [National Spinal Cord Injury Association. Spinal Cord Injury Statistics]



5.3 million Americans are living today with a Traumatic Brain Injury-related disability, with leading cause from vehicle crashes, firearm use, and falls [National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. *Traumatic Brain Injury*]

[Americans with Disabilities Report]

Rehabilitation Robotics

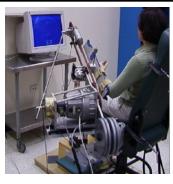
- Application of robotic technology in service to individuals with disabilities
 - Aims: Independence, Safety, Quality of Life
 - Challenges
 - Technical: Operating in human environments
 - Social: Being accepted by human users
 - Types of Systems
 - Robotic systems for hospitals (e.g. HelpMates)
 - Manipulators in rehabilitative therapies
 - Smart Wheelchairs (w/wout manipulators)
 - Virtual environments for training
 - Advanced prosthesis and orthosis



Rehab – Early Successes



MIT Manus



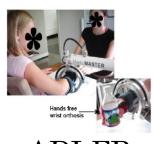
ARM Guide



MIME



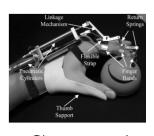
GENTLE/s



ADLER



Rutgers Master Mellon Hand II-ND



Carnegie Device



CyberGrasp



Today's Successes



Assistive Technology

- Any technology used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of people with (or without) disabilities
- Personal Robotics
 - "A domestic service robot which educates, entertains or assists in the home."



Elder Assistance



Personal Assistance



Toys

@Home, Work, Play

- Two 'killer applications' (i.e. addresses current real-life needs)
 - Home Care for the elderly
 - "I have felt for years that the first 'killer application' of personal robots will be companionship, especially for the elderly."
 - Child education, development, and rehabilitation



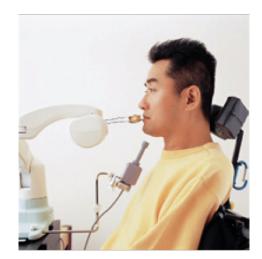


Types of Assistive Tasks

- Activities of Daily Living (ADLs)
 - Feeding, toileting, dressing, and hygiene
 - Manipulation near the user's body
- Instrumental Activities of Daily Living
 - Housework, food preparation, shopping, ...
 - Manipulation of objects in the environment
- Enhanced Activities of Daily Living
 - Hobbies, social activities, ...



Handy1 robot (Rehab Robotics)



MySpoon eating-assistant (SECON Co.)



6 - ANILLION CHILDREN WHO NEED THERAPY

BILLION PEDIATRIC REHABILITATION INDUSTRY







The Problem



LIMITED CLINIC VISITS

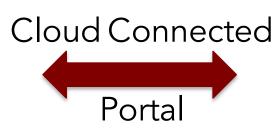
HOME NON-COMPLIANCE



Robot Therapy System

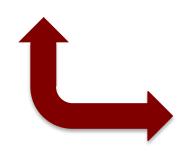


Gamified Apps

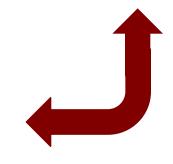




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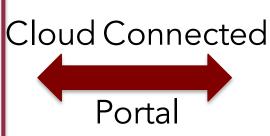
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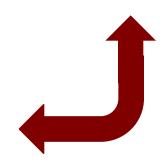




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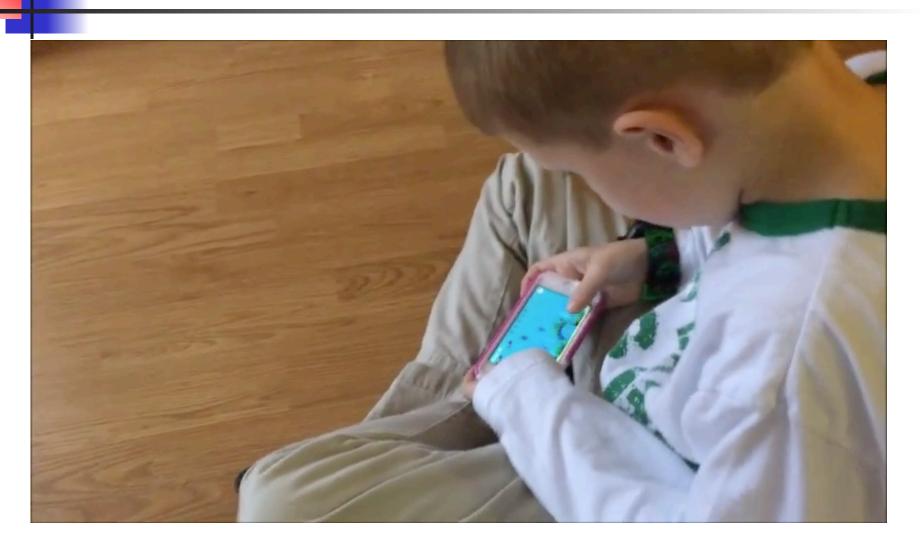






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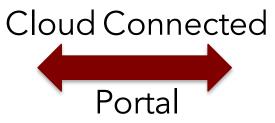


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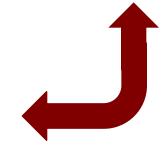




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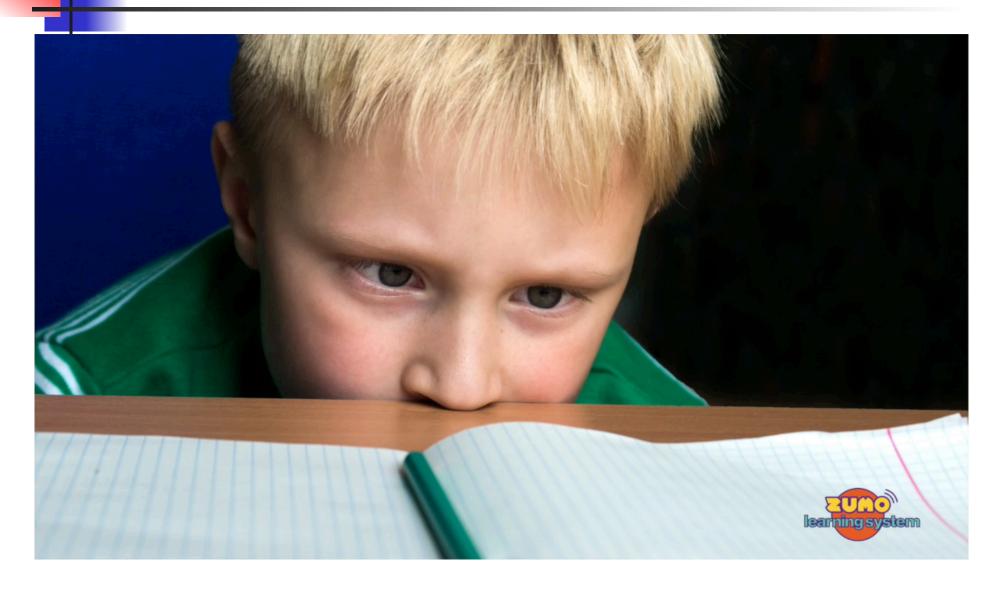






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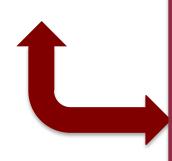






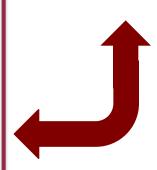
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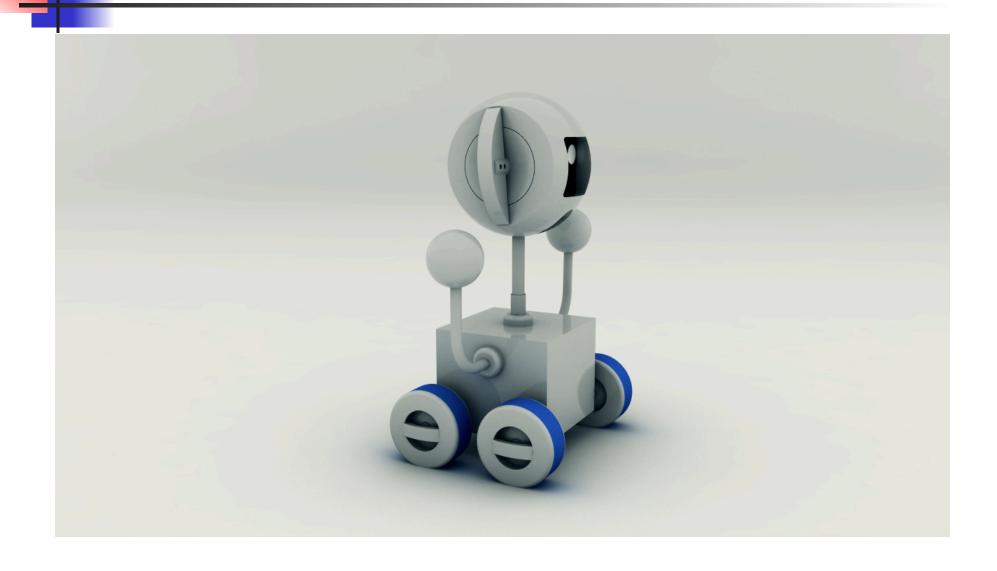




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Healthcare ...

Robots - Because humans deserve better.

Since 1950, inventions have revolutionised the way we live. Radio, Telephones, Television, Computers, Washing Machines - we've come a long way. Whats the next big thing? Robots. Of course.



