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UN RÉSEAU DE CAPTEURS AU 25 ÈMF MARATHON DES SABLES



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ORIGIN

Ultra running - for longer periods and longer distances





Marathon des Sables...

The 20 greatest / hardest races in the world... (Ultrafondus n°57, march 2009) :

- Ultra Trail Mont Blanc
- Marathon des Sables
- Badwater
 Running the MdS

Where : morocco desert, around Merzouga

rock desert : reg sand desert : ergs









250km

Night running

I long stage (80km)





I marathon stage

Typical day schedule :

- •05:45 wakeup
- 06:00 ~ 07:00
 - bivouac dismounted
 - breakfast in self-sufficiency
- 07:00 ~ 08:00 water distribution
- 08:30 ~ 09:00 stage start
- end of day
 - dinner
 - footcare
 - sleep

self-sufficiency no assistance

Food: 2000KCal / day

Sleeping bag, clothes, etc.

Optimized backpack ~8 kg























Similar to biologging



A Body Area Network (BANet)



A Body Area Network (BANet) at the MdS

A technological challenge :

- autonomy
- ergonomic
- robustness
- weight
- reliability
- data synchronization

sensor sensor Body Network sensors

SENSOR NETWORK CONCEPTION

Building a sensor node







MSP430



CCC2420







The sensors



Inertial Motion Units (IMUs)



Force Pressure Sensitive (FSR)



Environmental :T°, H



Cardio Frequency Meter

Building a Half-Distributed Body Area Network



IMU node





Master node

FSR node

Building a Half-Distributed Body Area Network

Each node operates independantly from the others

Each node logs its data internally

Time synchronization is performed through the radio protocol

Building a Half-Distributed Body Area Network timestamps timestamps timestamps timestamps timestamps timestamps

Time synchronization

Master node : periodical emission of timestamp packets

Slave nodes : periodical reception of timestamp packets

Activity scheduling : sleep / tx|rx / sleep /tx|rx / sleep

Tradeoff : radio activity, i.e. energy consumption vs synchronization accuracy

Time synchronization

Timestamps period : 153.4ms

Maximum clock drift : 30ppm, *i.e.* ~4us *btw* timespamps

Hypothesis : linear clock drift btw timestamps

$$t_G(m) = t_m^1 + \frac{(t_m^2 - t_m^1)}{(t_s(t_m^2) - t_s(t_m^1))} (t_s(m) - t_s(t_m^1))$$

Activity scheduling & synchronization

Asynchronous & distributed discovery & synchronization protocol



Activity scheduling & synchronization



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$$P(R_i) = E\left(\frac{W}{\tau}\right)\frac{\frac{\tau}{n} - \lambda}{W - \frac{\tau}{n}} = p$$
$$P\left(R_i\bigwedge_{k=0}^{i-1}\bar{R}_k\right) = p\left(1 - p\right)^i = p_i$$

$$T = W \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} ip_i = W \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i(1-p)^i p$$

Activity scheduling & synchronization



$$T = W\left(\frac{1}{p} - 1\right) = W\left(\frac{W - \frac{\tau}{n}}{E\left(\frac{W}{\tau}\right)\left(\frac{\tau}{n} - \lambda\right)} - 1\right)$$
$$T = (n - 1)W$$

Tradeoff : radio activity, i.e. energy consumption vs synchronization latency







Integrating the BANet into the runner equipment









THEN, THE RACE

At least a sportive success ! ③

Stage		_	29km	3:30
Stage	2	-	35km	4:54
Stage	3	-	40km	5:08
Stage	4	-	82km	11:58
Stage	5	-	42km	4:43
Stage	6	-	22km	2:00



66th over 1016 competitors

~32h race
















Hard conditions

 $T^{\circ} > 50^{\circ}$

H~15%

THE EXPERIMENT





Low clock drift among sensors

Bad news ! 😔

Concurrent processes induced loss of data

ACC reading vs uSD card writing

Non optimized file system access

Non optimized cache

Specific to SD storage



Other bad news ! ③



Robustness of connectors was not sufficient

Due to repeated impacts

Due to sweat, water....

System files were partially corrupted







Some data



Clearly enough data to analyze !

Race stage	Functional nodes
	1, 3, 8, 9, 10, 12, 19, 14, 15
2	1, 3, 9, 10, 12
3	12
4	7, 12, 19
5	3, 7, 12, 19
6	12

DATA ANALYSIS

Original objectives :

- Movement segmentation
- Determination of qualitative & quantitative parameters
 - on the movement
 - on the subject
 - on the environment

OFFLINE ANALYSIS !



Segmentation & classification

- walk vs run vs stop
- fast vs slow
- Descent vs ascent
- Hard ground vs soft ground
- Average speed, instantaneous speed
- Back angle, gait analysis
- Foot movement and pressure in shoes
- Correlation with physical and environmental parameters

EVERYTHING WE CAN !



MAG tronc



GYR tronc



3-axis accelerometer, 100Hz, 6bits

3-axis gyrometer, 100Hz, 6bits

3 axis magnetometer, 50Hz, 6bits

~175MB per IMU for a 32h race

13 IMU sensor nodes

~2.275GB for IMU data only !

6-point insole, 100Hz, 12bits

~104MB per insole for a 32h race

2 insole sensor nodes

~207MB for insole data only !

deterministic analysis e.g., gait reconstruction



statistical analysis e.g., run segmentation











First experiments in laboratory and on the beach...

Janvier 2010, Montpellier

Moving walkway
Stadium

3. Beach of Palavas: sand, backpack, «real conditions»





Experimentations











DATA ANALYSIS

deterministic analysis

From mono IMU attitude reconstruction



Done! ADT INRIA SENSAS

To multiple IMUs reconstruction





At work ! © ADT INRIA SENSAS

DATA ANALYSIS

statistical analysis





Segment and classify the runner movement...

Based on accelerometer and pressure data

Without reconstructing the movement

Sensors :



ACC: 3-axis accelerometers

FSR : sole pressure sensors









Auto-correlation:

A FSR provides a measurement of the local value of the vertical component of the force field.

This signal is periodic during a steady-state locomotion.

The period is computed by sliding autocorrelation.









Jump detection, intervals:

We assume that the norms of accelerometer signals and the frequency of impacts are composed of successive intervals within which the process is stationary, separated by abrupt jumps.

The detection of these jumps is performed using independent sequential tests of detection of abrupt changes [1]. A sequence of steady-state intervals is obtained for each sensor.

[1] M. Basseville and I.V. Nikiforov, Detection of abrupt changes - theory and application, Prentice Hall, Inc., 1993






FSR Intervals

ACC Intervals

FSR Intervals

Single timebase

Single timebase:

Intervals obtained for each sensor can be gathered as a onedimensional ordered sequence. By projecting all (or some selection of) the sequences of intervals on a single timebase, we get a one-dimensional ordered sequence of M intervals.



K-means:

A simple classification method allows assigning each interval to one of the various walking and running defined classes.











STAGE I















PERSPECTIVES

Advancing on data analysis

e.g. Multiple IMUs reconstruction

Offering software tools to manipulate IMU data

ADT SENSAS WP SENSBIO

VALORIZATION



Next generation sensor nodes

New sensors



HiKoB project

Collaborations

Sport with SALOMON

Functional rehabilitation with MASEA project (EPI DEMAR)



Biologging with CERFE, DEPE/IPHC



Functional rehabilitation with MASEA project (EPI DEMAR)



Experimentations to come ?





THE YUKON ARCTIC ULTRA



Ultra Marathon Adventure Racing Across Canada's Frozen North

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