

A low-cost self-expression system for paralyzed patients

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MOTIVATION



PlayStation Eye

Camera

Need

• A low cost eye tracking system is especially in need for severely paralyzed patients as an essential communication appratus.



Integrate tracked iris movement with mouse input on computer screen and remove noise of the controlled mouse cursor motion using Kalman filter. 0.4 10 15 5 20 Time period • Simulate single and double click by blink detection.

Problem

- High cost of commercial eye tracking device.
- No self-expression system customized for paralyzed patients.



EyeWriter, the Graffiti Research Lab



EyeCan, Samsung



Commercial eye lacksquaretracking device -Quick Glance

RESULTS

Eye tracking system composed of a customized virtual keyboard and a memo pad



• The cost and accuracy of the system are inversely correlated

APPROACH



- Michael Chau, et al., 'Real Time Eye Tracking and Blink Detection with USB Cameras', ICVGIP, 2005
- Identify eye region using 'Blink Detection' algorithm



'How OpenCV's Face Tracker Works', SERVO Magazine, 2007.

Select iris using Camshift algorithm provided by OpenCV.

- Automated detection and tracking of iris
- Took 1 minute to write own name.

FUTURE WORK

- System accuracy enhancement and optimization. \bullet
- System validation by performance test with 5 different subjects. \bullet