Sports Lab — Current tracking solutions Created by Alex Ward on behalf of the knowledge-based team

Physcial	Pro's	Con's	Usecase
Empatica Embraceplus (More vital sign during sport)	Portable and wearable, allowing for real-time data collection during physical activities. Can provide insights into the impact of emotional and physiological states on sports performance.	Limited to tracking physiological data and may not provide detailed information on skeletal movements	Use in combination with other technologies to analyze the correlation between physiological responses and skeletal movements during sports activities.
HTC Vive Tracker / Tundra tracker	Enables full-body skeletal tracking in a virtual reality (VR) environment. High accuracy and precision in capturing movement data. Can be easily attached to different body parts and used for various sports simulations or training scenarios.	Requires a VR setup and may have a learning curve for users unfamiliar with VR technology. Limited to indoor use and may require a controlled environment for optimal tracking.	Virtual reality-based sports training, biomechanical analysis, and immersive sports simulations.
Movella XSens dot straps / Xsens DOT motion tracker	Provides full-body skeletal tracking with high accuracy and precision. Suitable for professional sports analysis, biomechanical research, and motion capture applications. Can capture detailed joint angles and movement data for comprehensive analysis.	Higher cost compared to some other technologies. Requires proper setup and calibration for optimal performance	Professional sports analysis, biomechanics research, and sports performance evaluation in a controlled environment.
OptiTrack PC	Offers high-precision motion capture with multiple camera setups for full body skeletal tracking. Provides accurate and detailed data for sports analysis, gait analysis, and biomechanical research. Suitable for professional sports settings and research laboratories.	Requires a controlled environment, with proper camera placement and calibration. Can be very expensive compared to some other tracking technologies	Professional sports analysis, gait analysis, biomechanical research, and sports performance evaluation in a controlled environmen, great for full skeletal tracking

Software	Pro's	Con's	Usecase
<u>OpenPose</u>	Open source, flexible,	Challenging install, high	Pose estimation, motion capture, gesture
	good accuracy, multiple	compute requirements,	control.
	subjects	controlled environments	
Detectron /	Highly customizable,	Facebook, complex setup,	Object tracking, automated inventory, better
Frankmocap	high accuracy models,	high compute	for single objects
	supports Kinect for	requirements	
	better tracking		
AR Based	Built into android/IOS,	Limited tracking,	Mobile AR experiences, spatial computing
Solutiomns	easy to use (ARcore and	operating system specific,	
	Arkit)	i.e., IOS or android, not	
		fully open source (not	
		real time)	
Media Pipe	Opensource, versatile	Limited flexibility	MediaPipe is suitable for sports labs that
	and compatible on	compared to other open-	require real-time pose tracking and hand
	multiple devices,	source solutions since it is	tracking on various devices without
	supports Kinect for	google	extensive customization.
	better tracking		
Open pifpaf	Opensource, Utilized	Limited to tracking via	OpenPifPaf is suitable for sports labs that
	PyTorch (low processing	webcam, high-speed	require real-time pose estimation using
	requirements), supports	movements requires	webcams and prefer the flexibility of
	any Webcam , flexible,	good calibration	PyTorch for experimentation and
	supports Kinect for		customizatio, great for a free to use, easy to
	better tracking		use local software