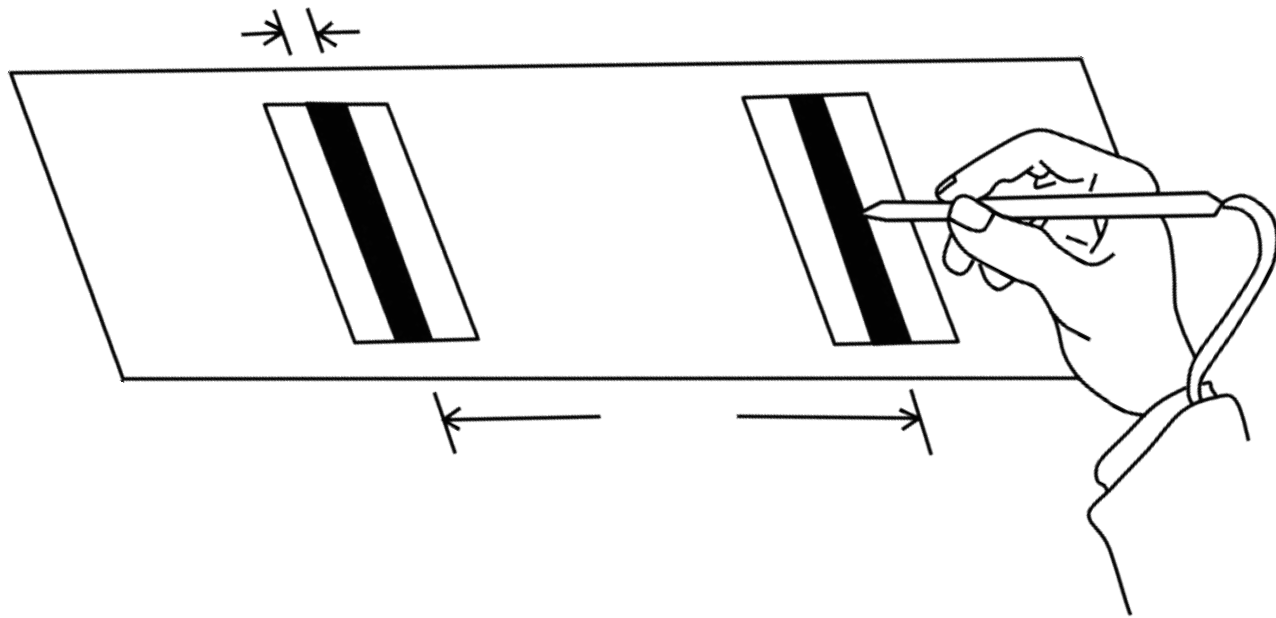


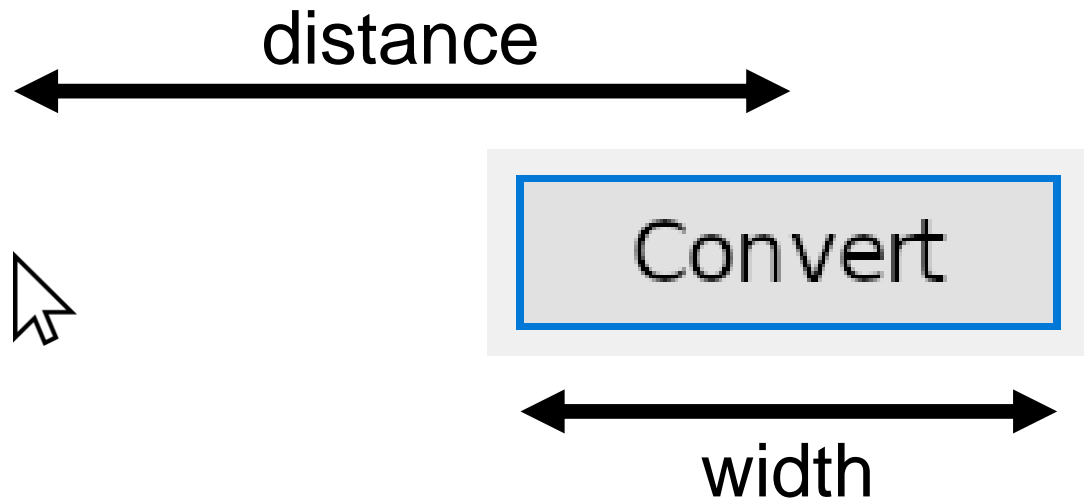
Applications of Fitts' Law

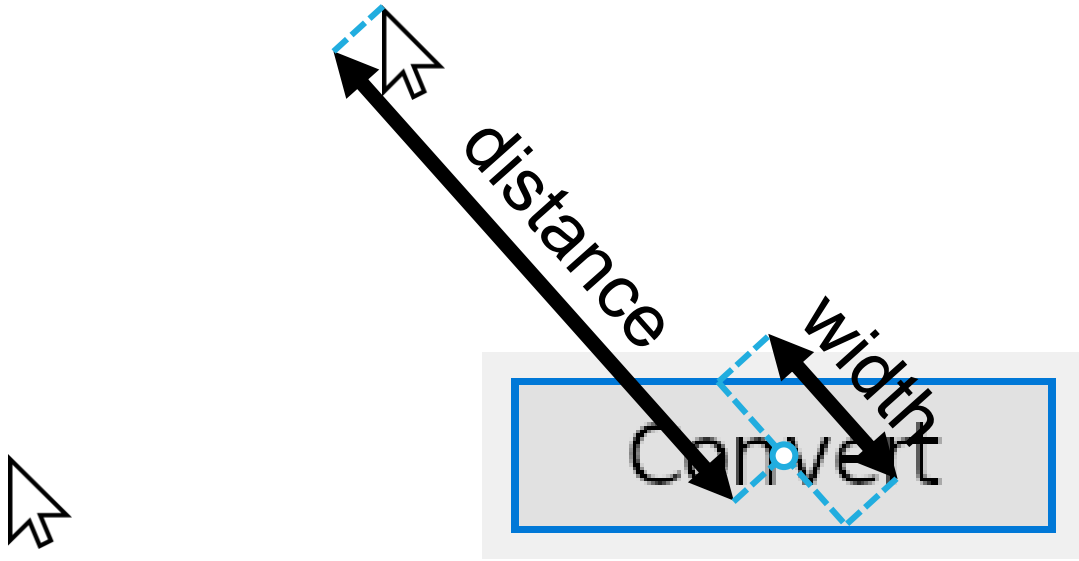
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Learning Goals

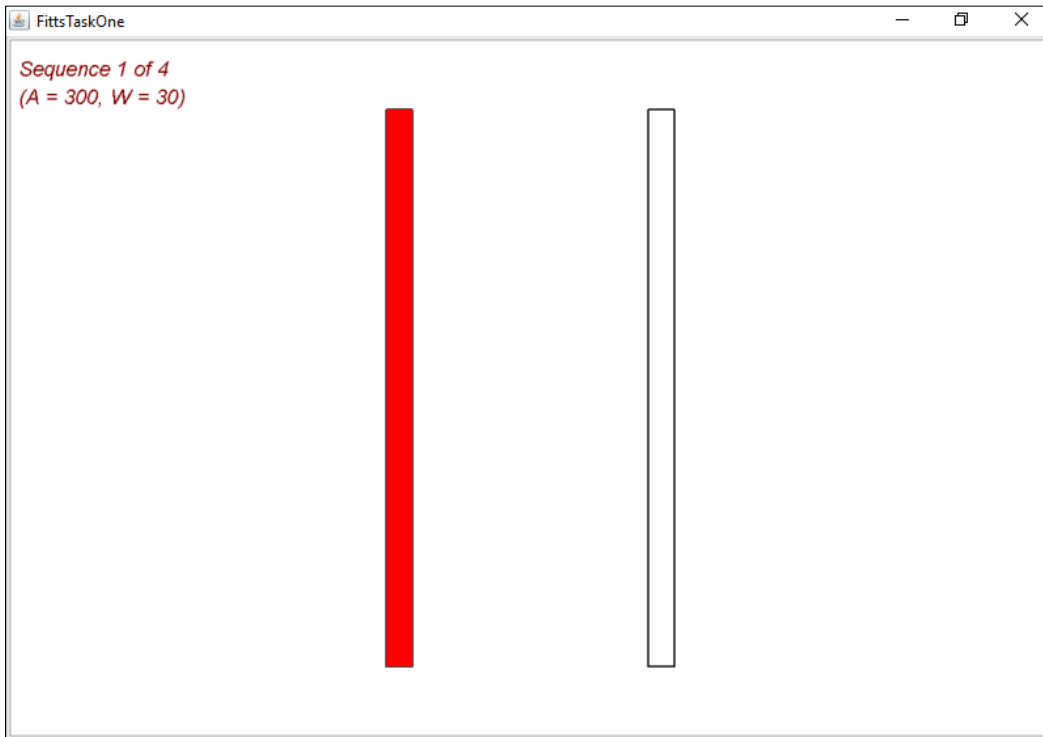
- Know how to extend Fitts' Law to two dimensions
- Understand how Fitts' Law can be helpful for HCI
- Being able to compare input devices using throughput





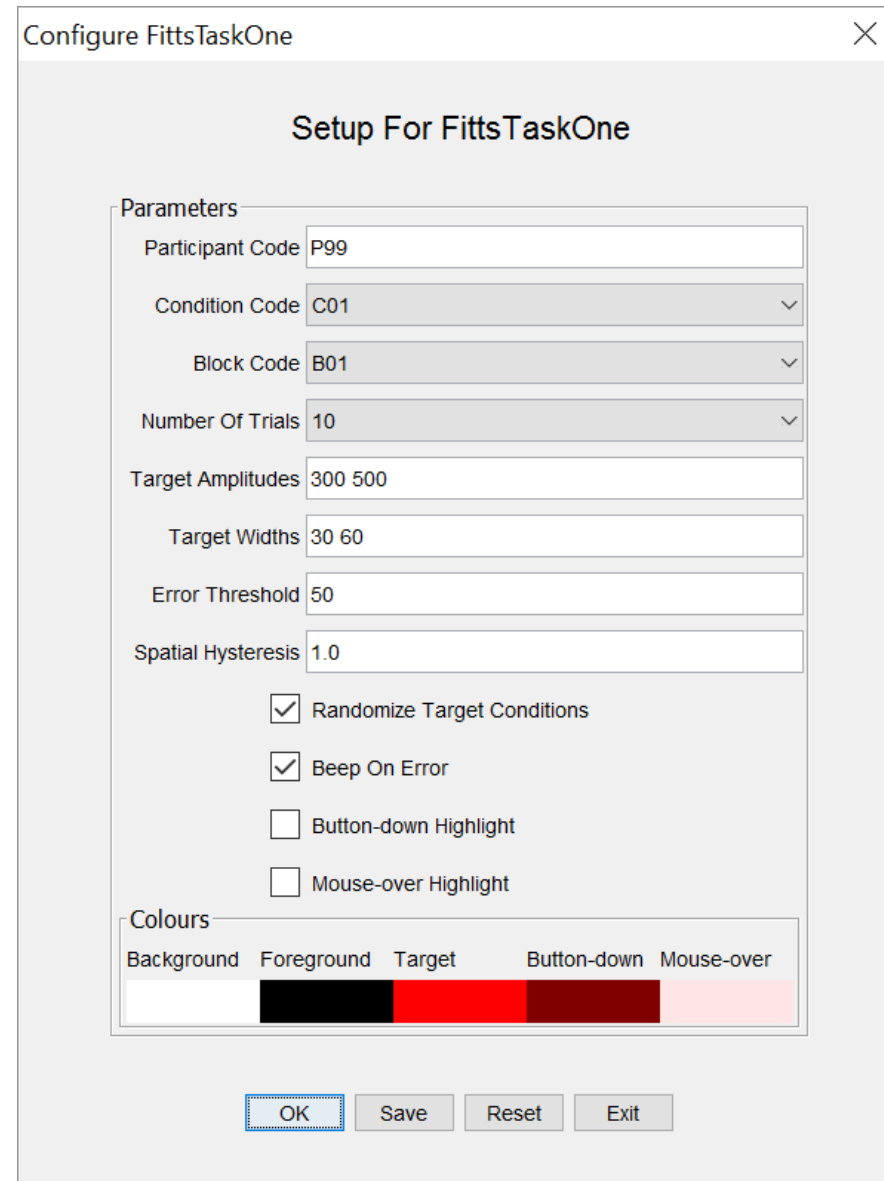


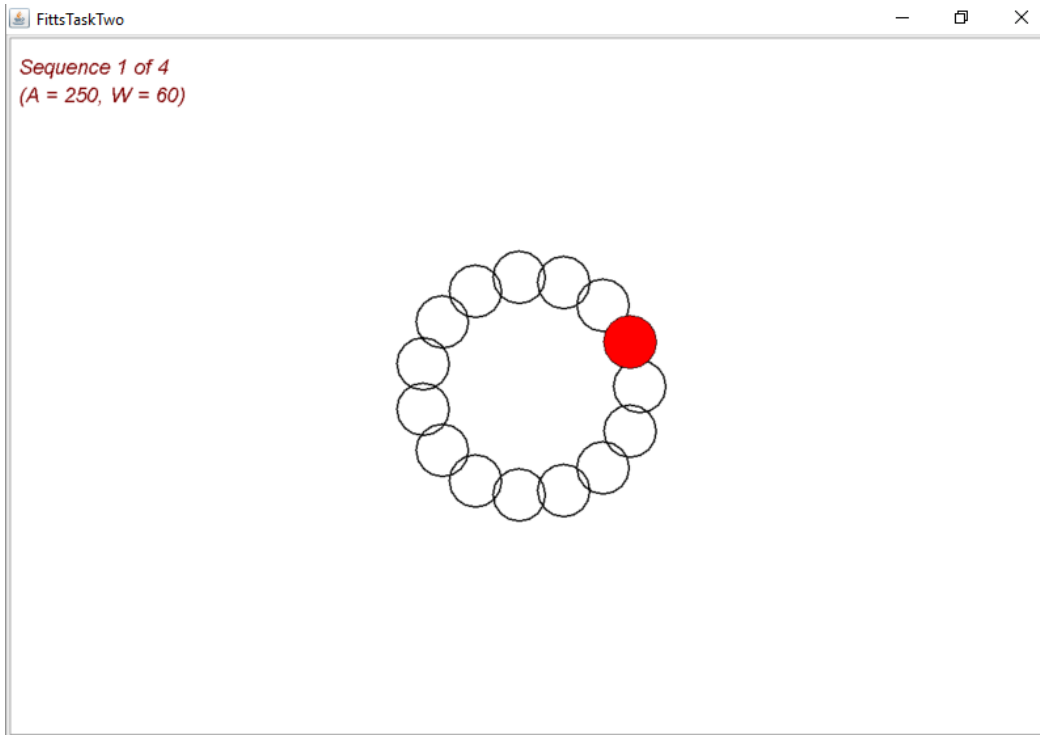
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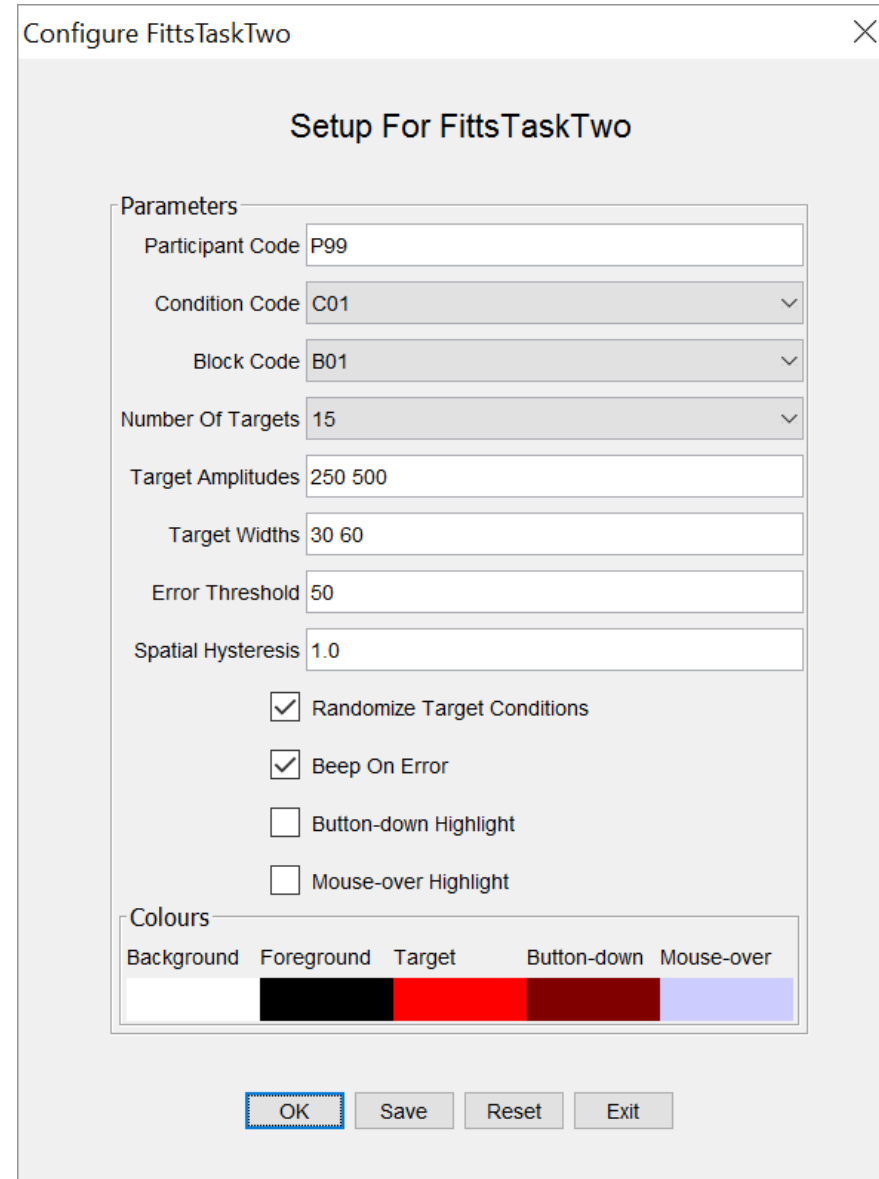
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3D-Viewer

7-Zip

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Alarm & Uhr

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Arduino IDE

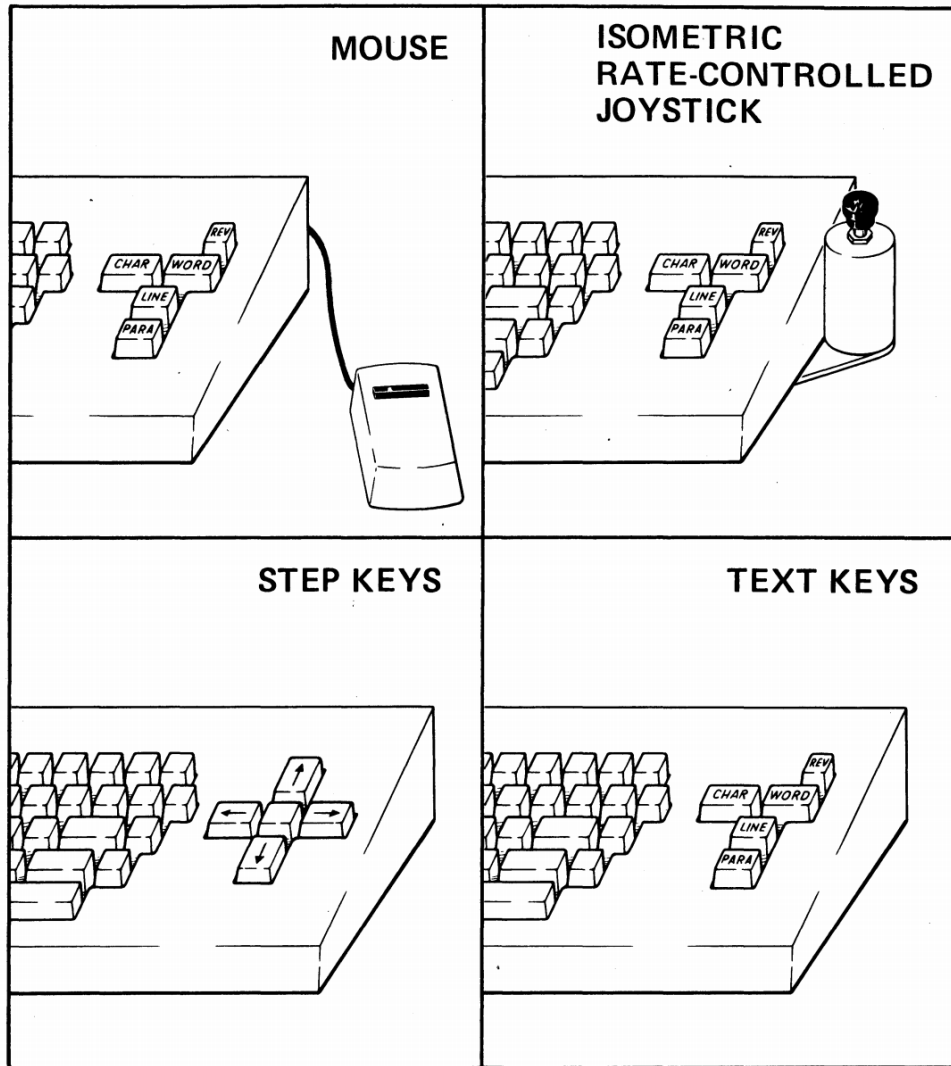
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Avidemux (64 bits)

32 x 32px





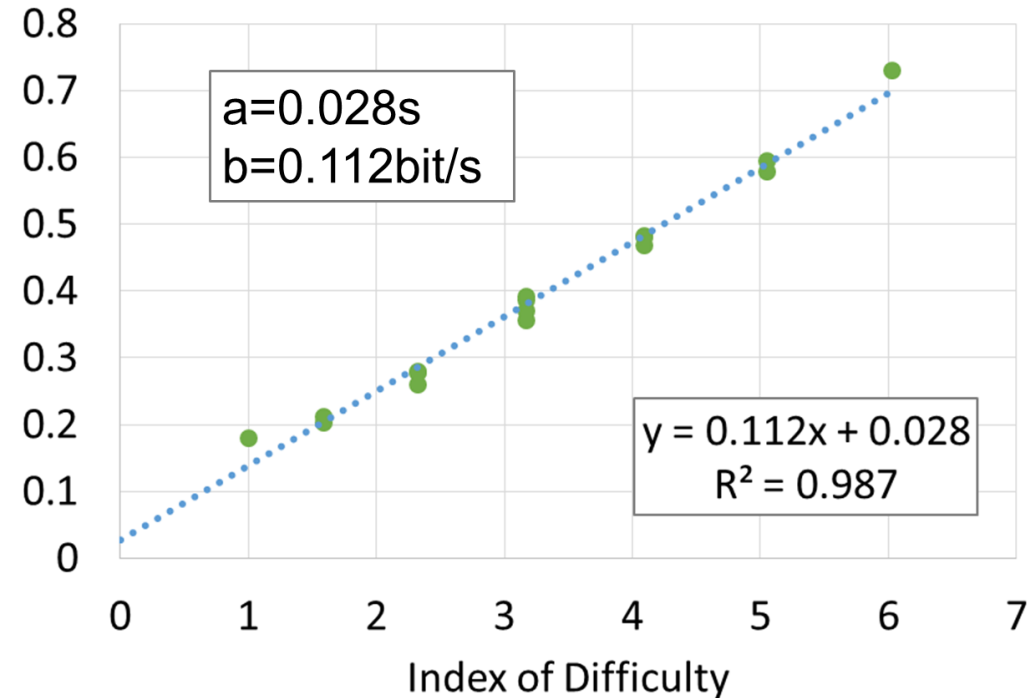
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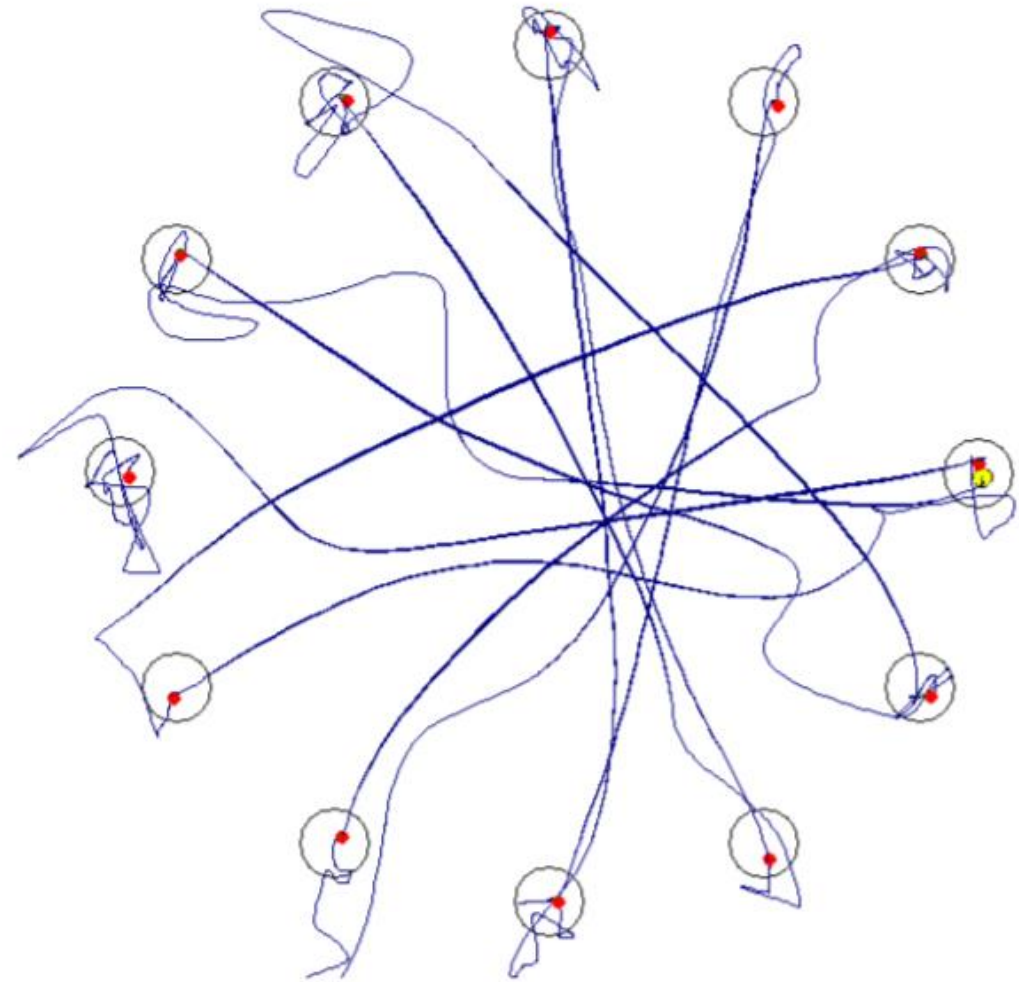
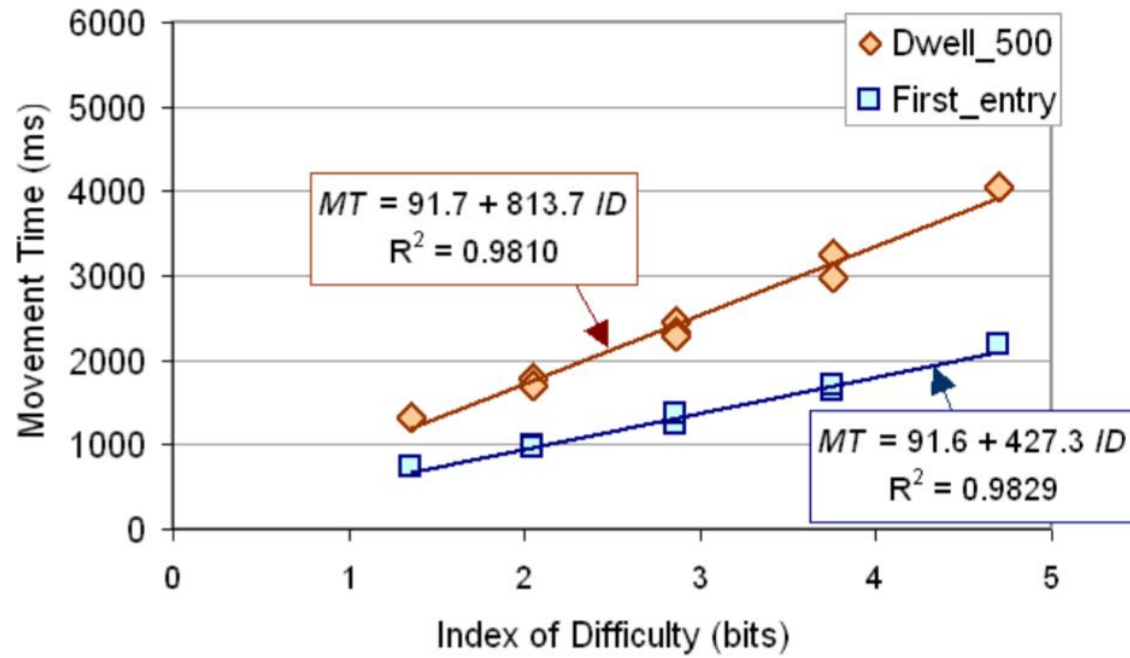
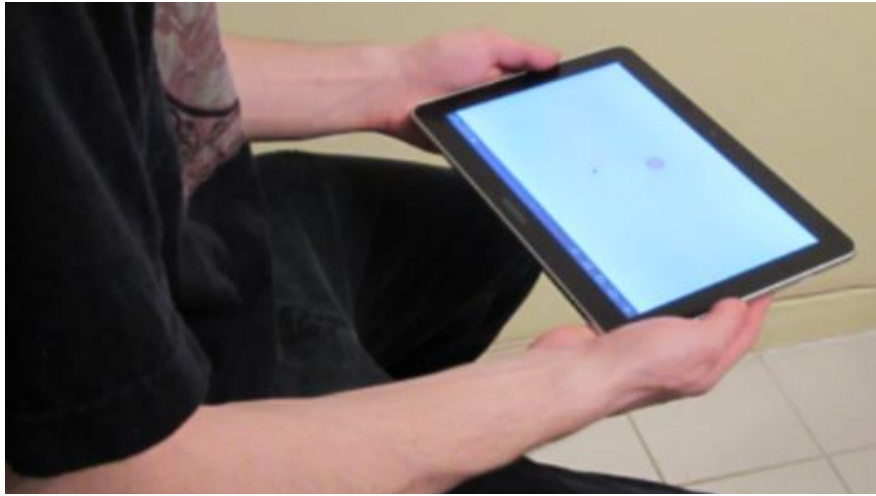
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Throughput

- Single metric for a pointing device
- Different definition:
 - $TP = ID / MT$ (average ID and MT)
 - $TP = 1 / b$ (equivalent to ID / MT if $a=0$)



- Sufficient to test 6 IDs to determine the device-specific constants a and b
- 6 IDs are enough to compare pointing devices



MacKenzie, I. S., & Teather, R. J. (2012). FittsTilt: the application of Fitts' law to tilt-based interaction. NordiCHI

mouse



touchscreen



Which device has the highest throughput?

touchpad

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