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MotionFlow: Visual Abstraction and Aggregation of Sequential Patterns in Human Motion Tracking Data

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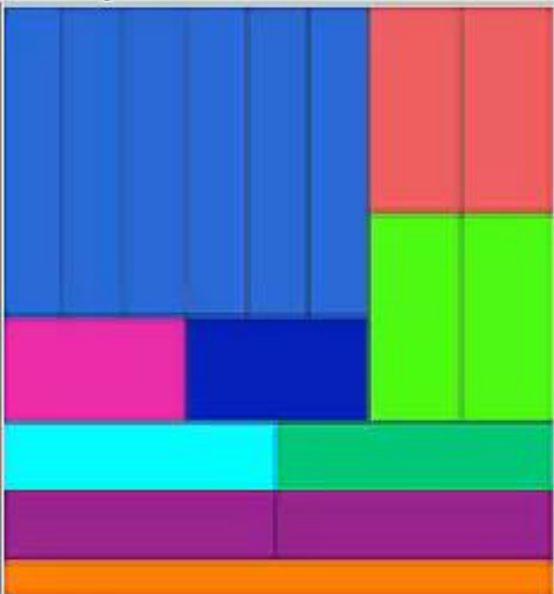
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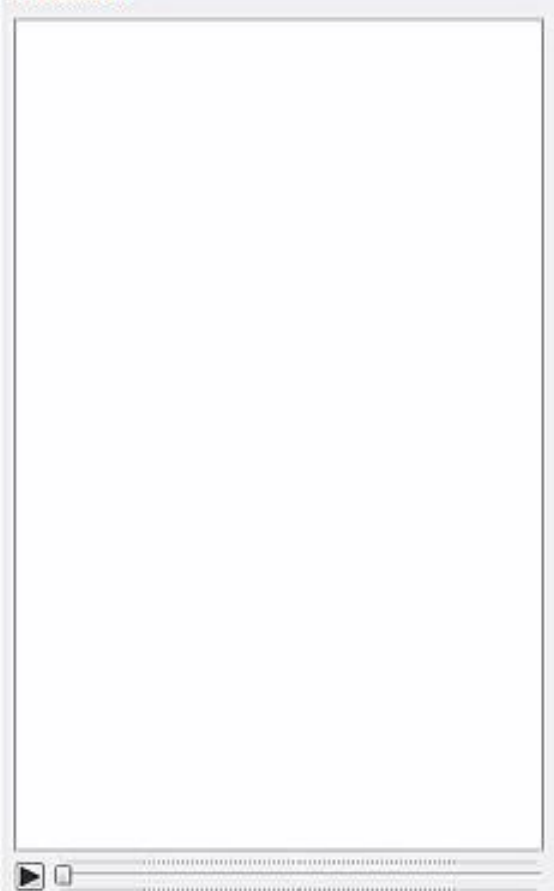
C DESIGN LAB



TreeMap



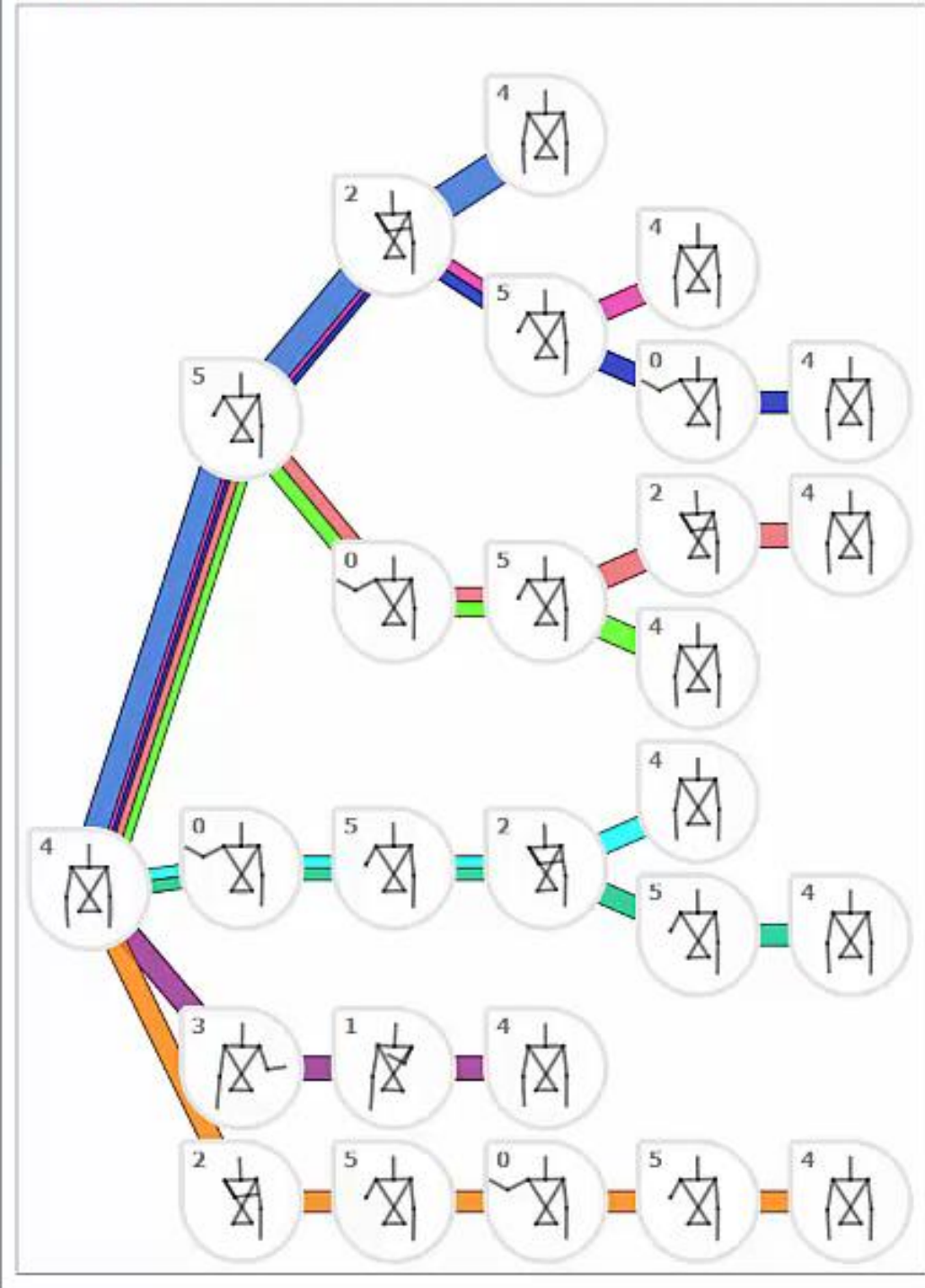
Animation



PoseTrees

Initial Tree

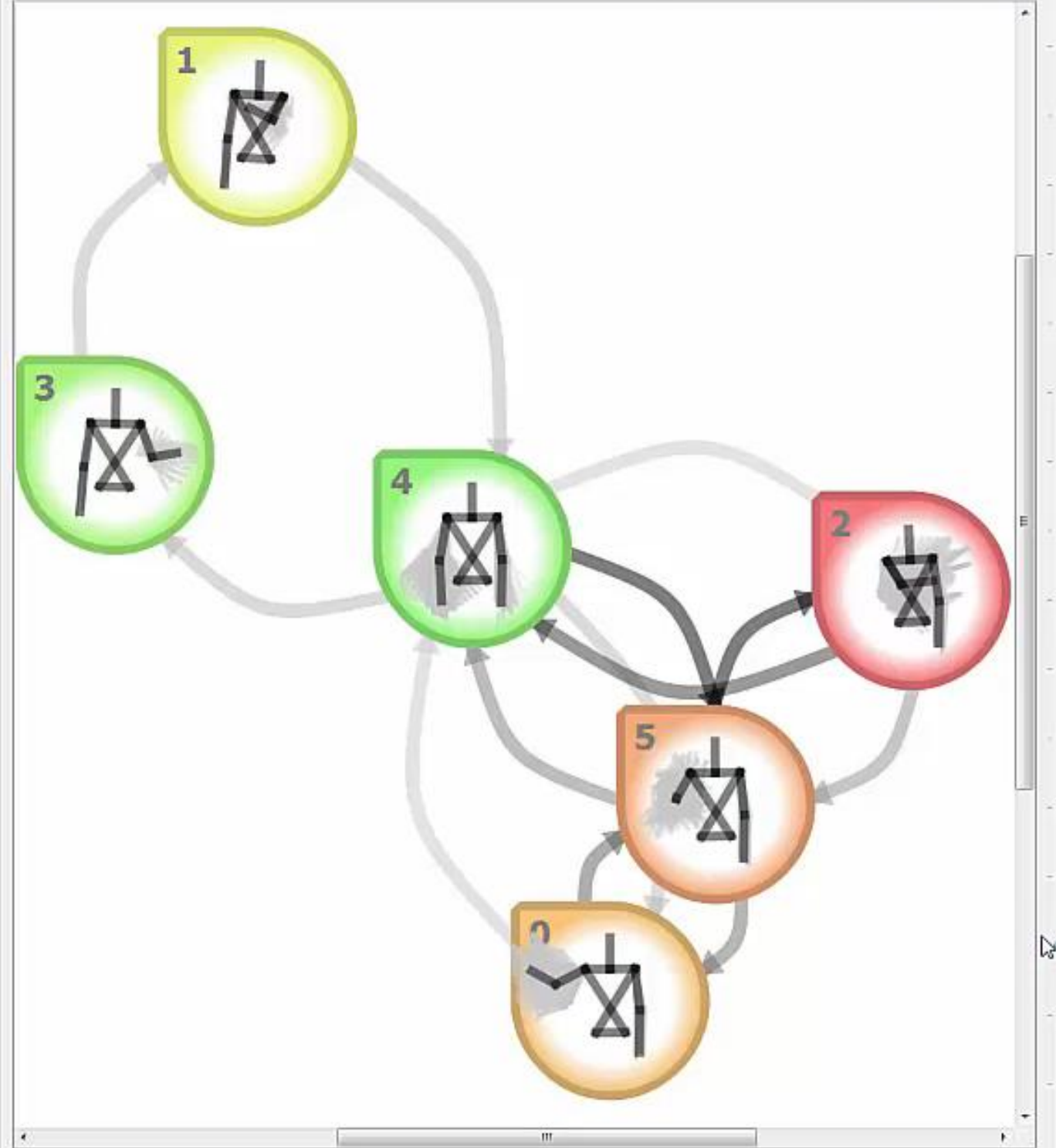
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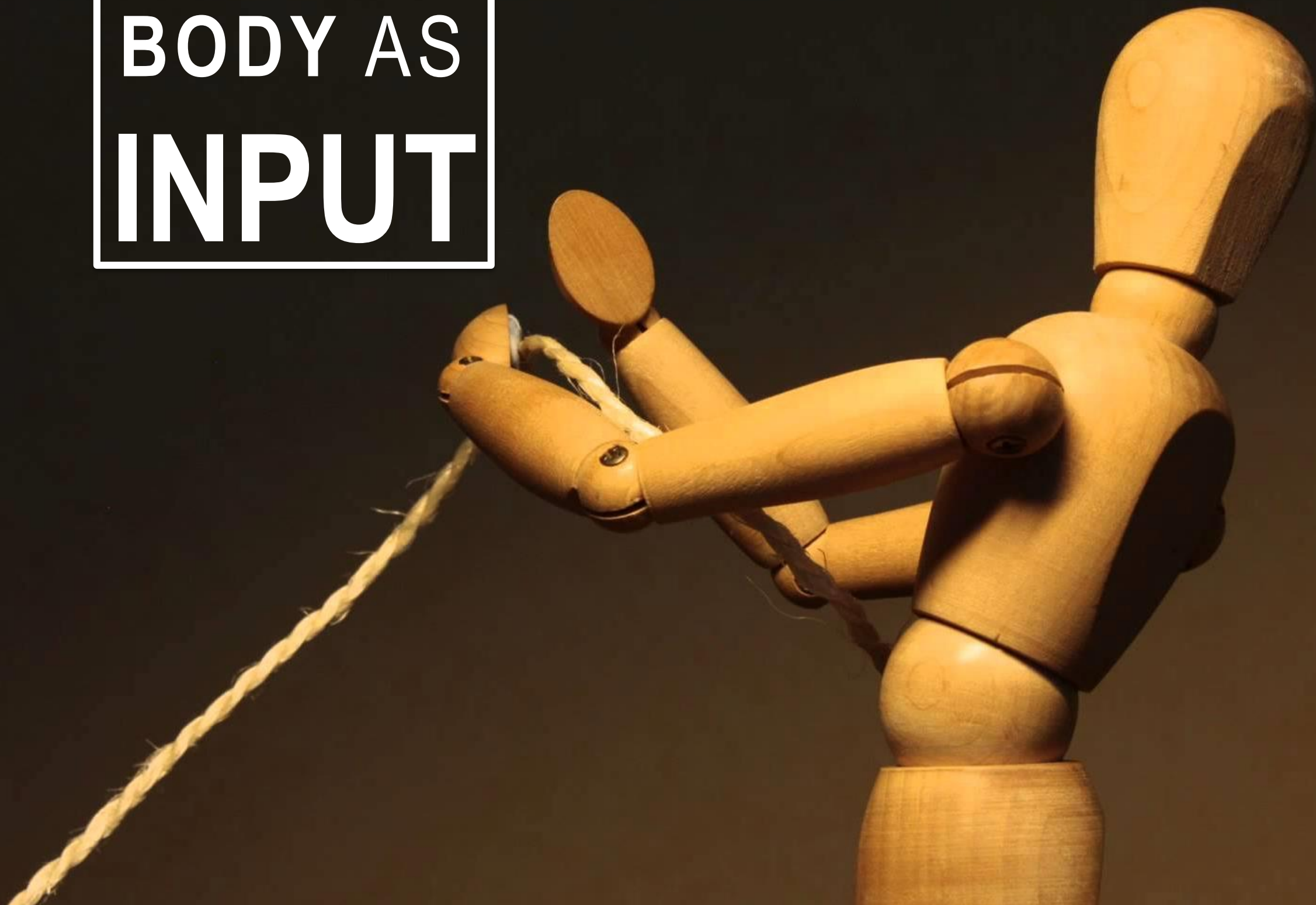
Motion Graph View

of Cluster: 6

Pose Var.: 0 1



BODY AS INPUT



Tracking the Human Body

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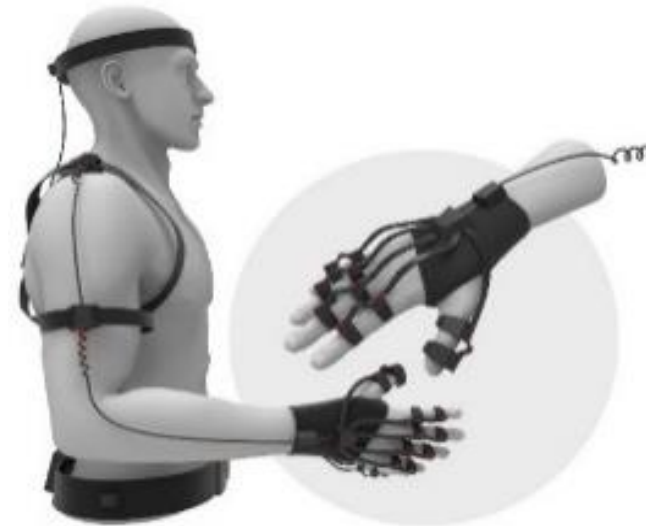


Vicon

Optical markers



XSens



Perception Neuron



Cyber Glove

Wearable sensors



Microsoft Kinect



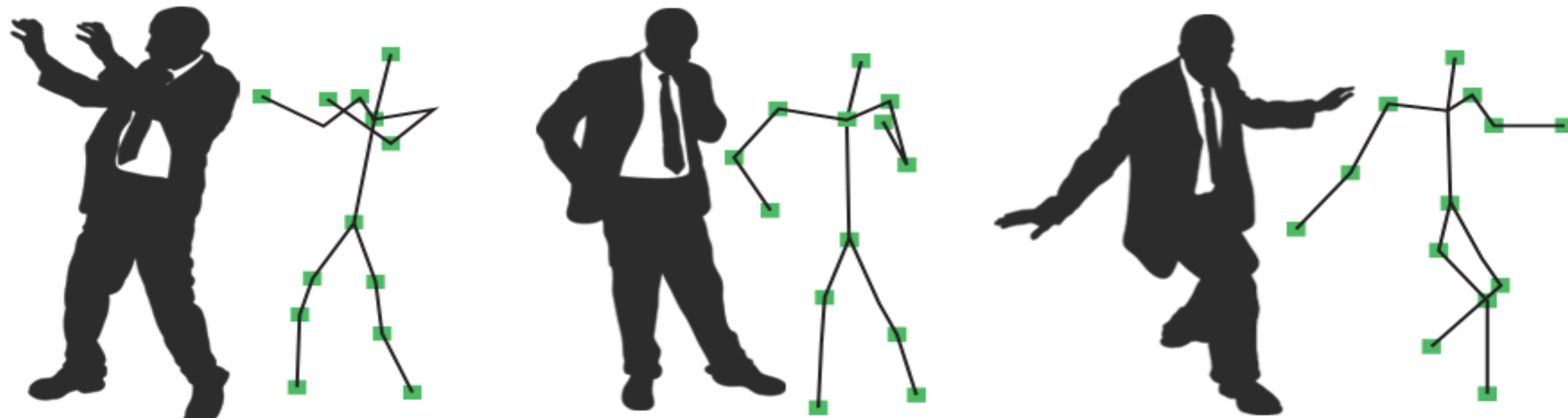
Leap Motion



Intel RealSense

**Vision-based
markerless sensors**

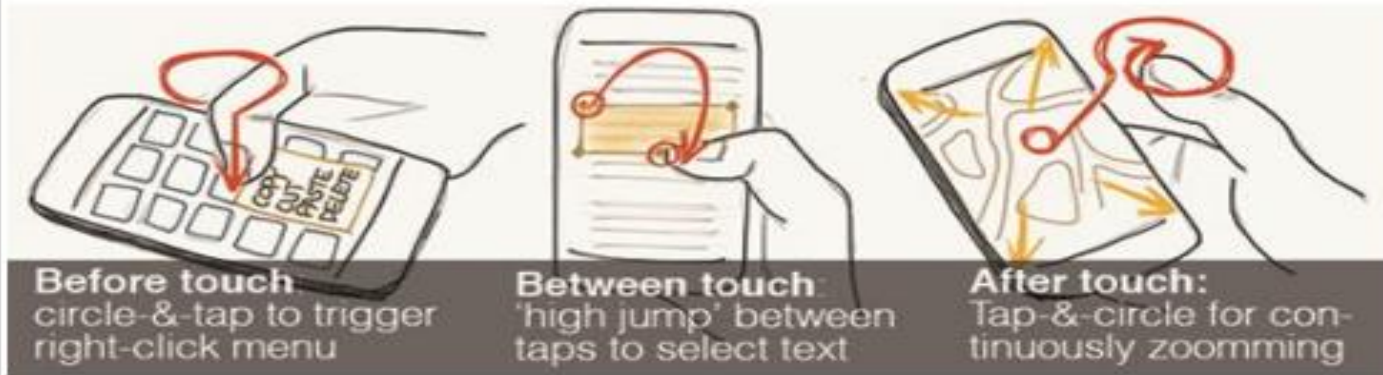
Digitizing Human Motions



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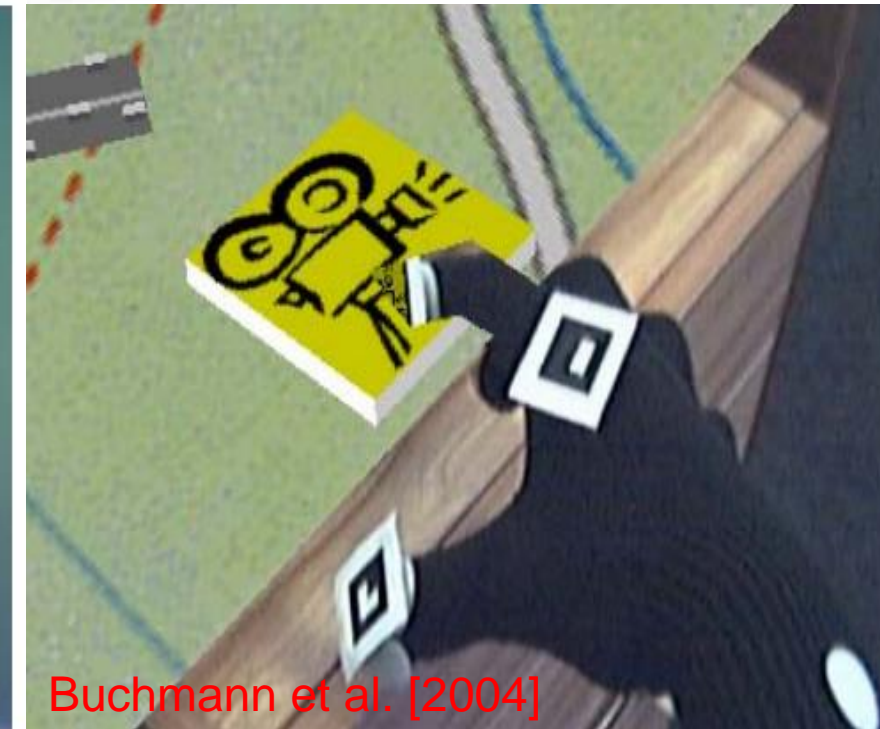
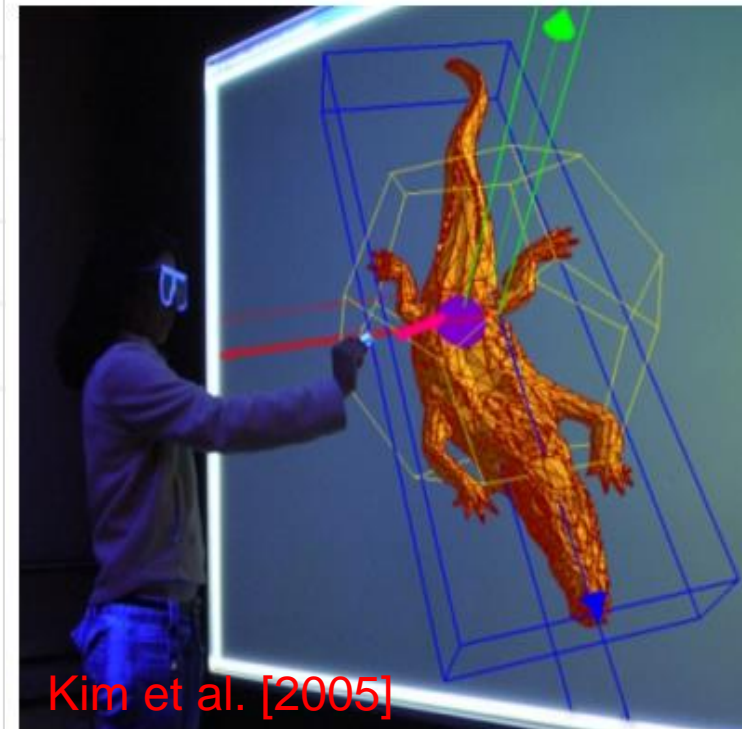
Gesture Pattern Studies

Mobile Interaction



Virtual/Augmented Reality

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Automotive Environments



Entertainment



Gesture Pattern Studies

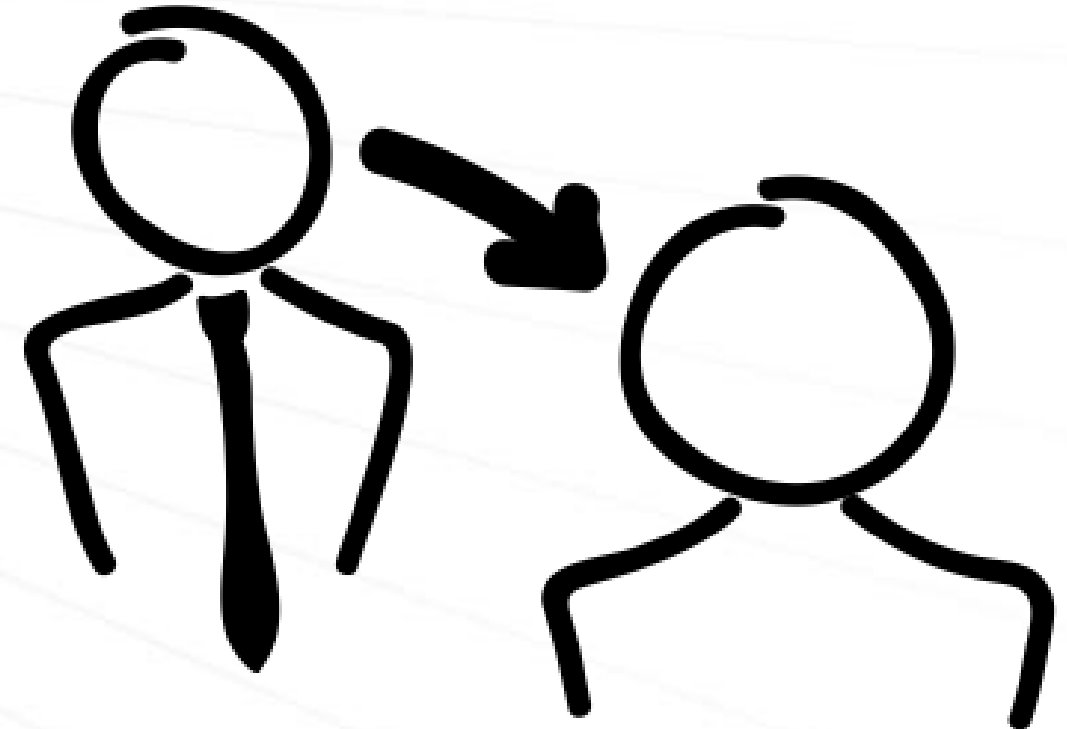
- Natural and intuitive interactions



- Understanding gesture patterns

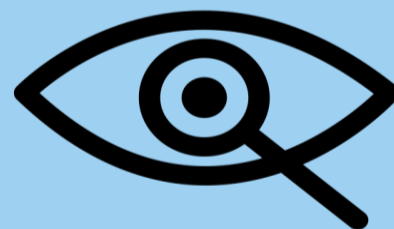


- Gesture pattern studies
 - **Identifying** similar and common gestures
 - **Categorization** of gestures into pattern groups
 - **Gesture vocabulary** design

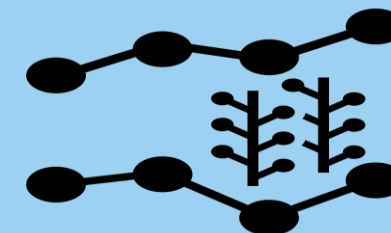




R1: Visualizing
multiple gestures



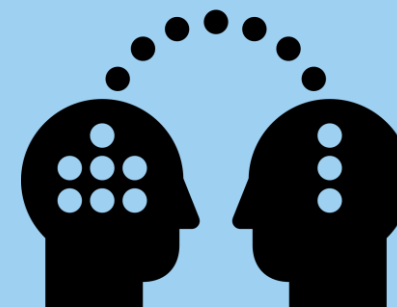
R2: Investigating
interesting gestures



R3: Identifying
similar/dissimilar gestures



R4: Organizing
gesture database

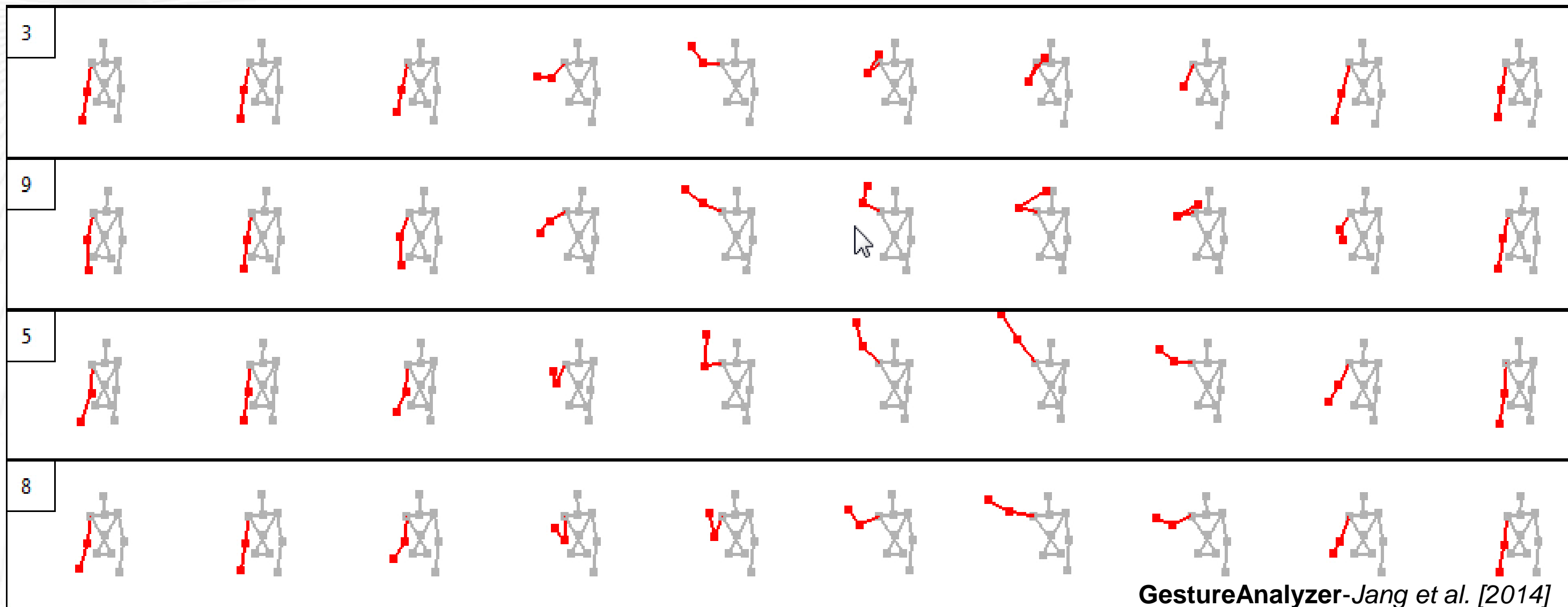


R5: Sharable and transferrable
pattern analysis results

REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS

from gestural interaction designer

Visual Analytics for Human Motion Analysis



Completed spatio-temporal
motion trend

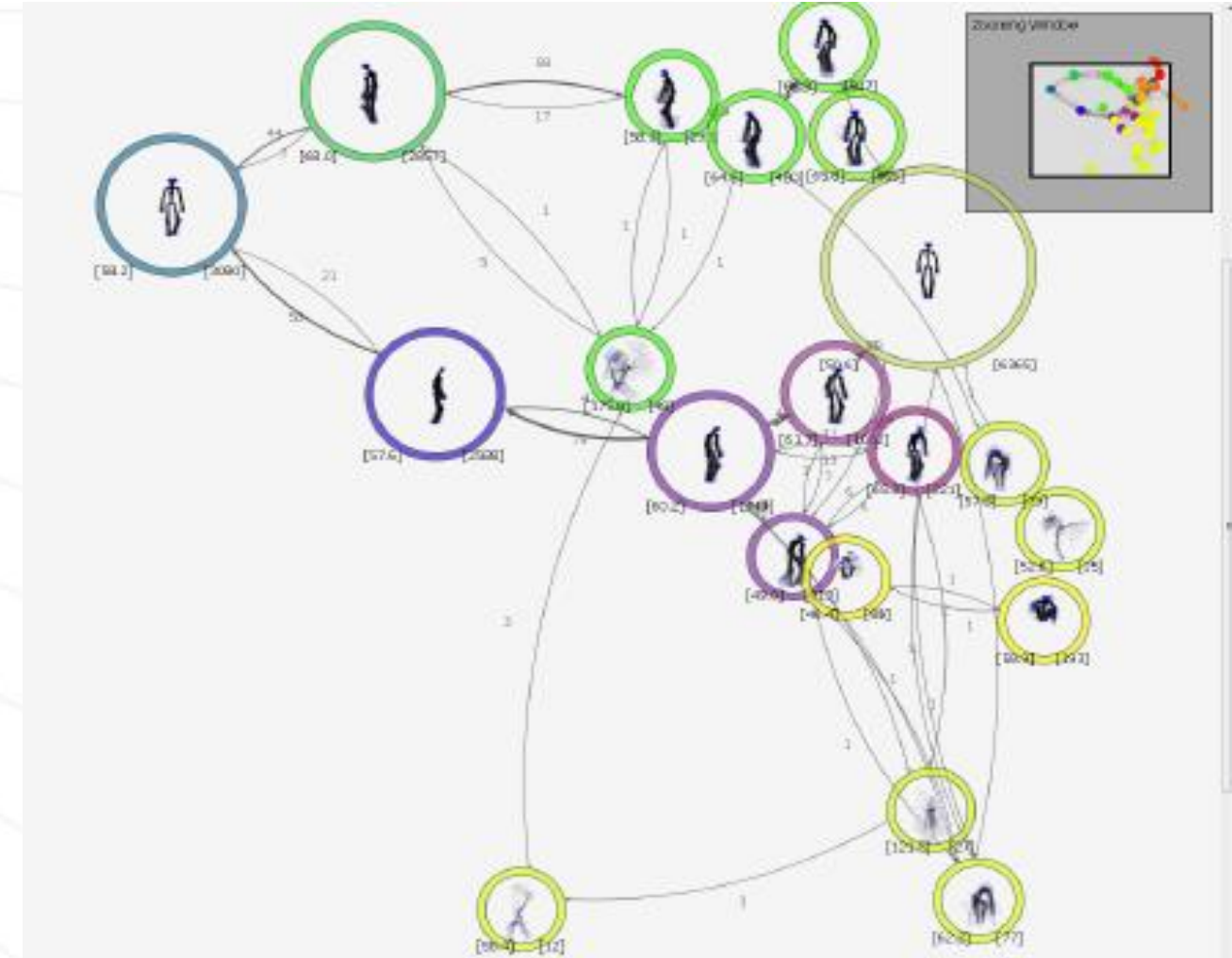
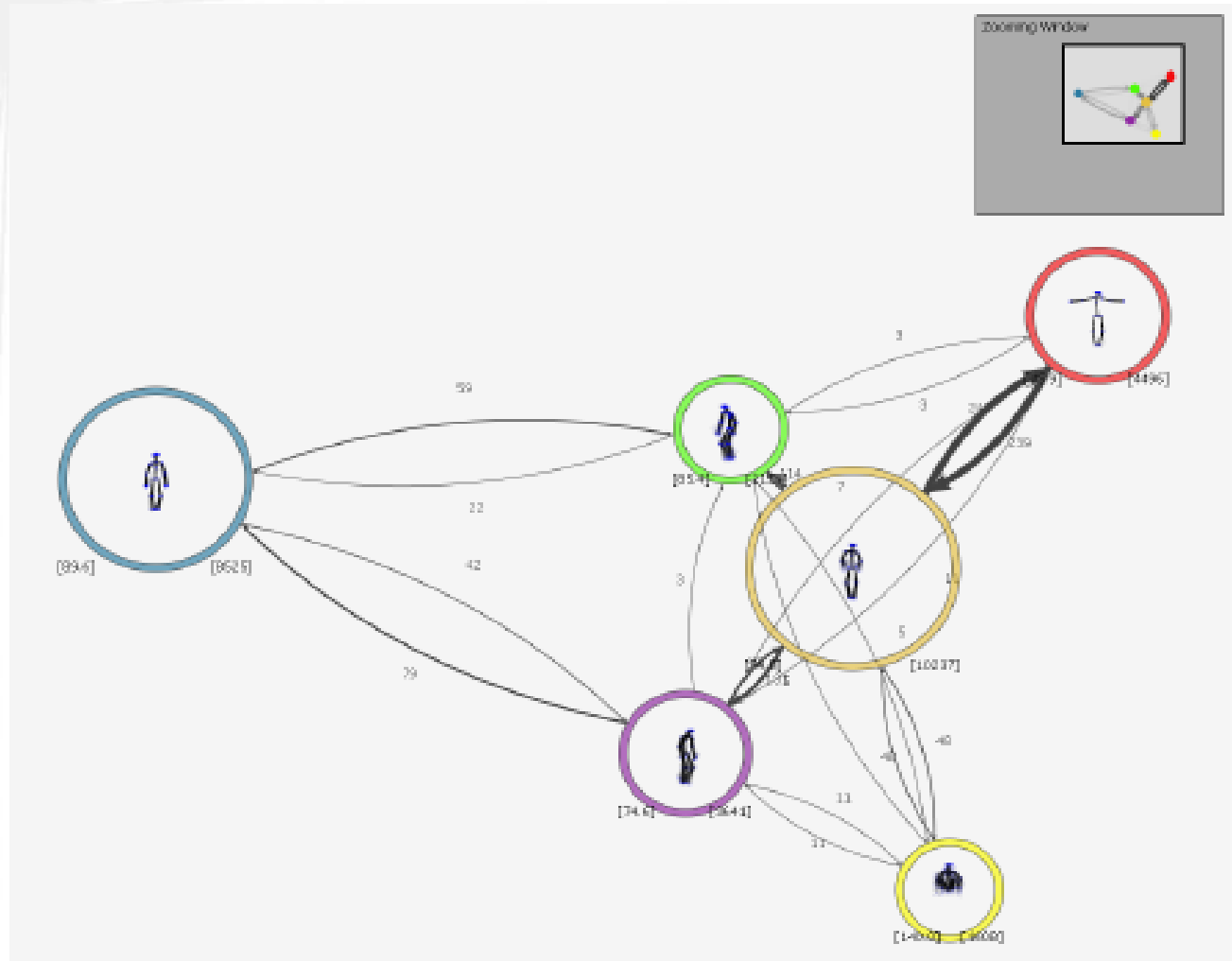


Visual space / scalability



Redundant pose block

Visual Analytics for Human Motion Analysis



MotionExplorer-Bernard et al. [2013]



Simplified overview



Encoding local transitions



Incomplete motion trend



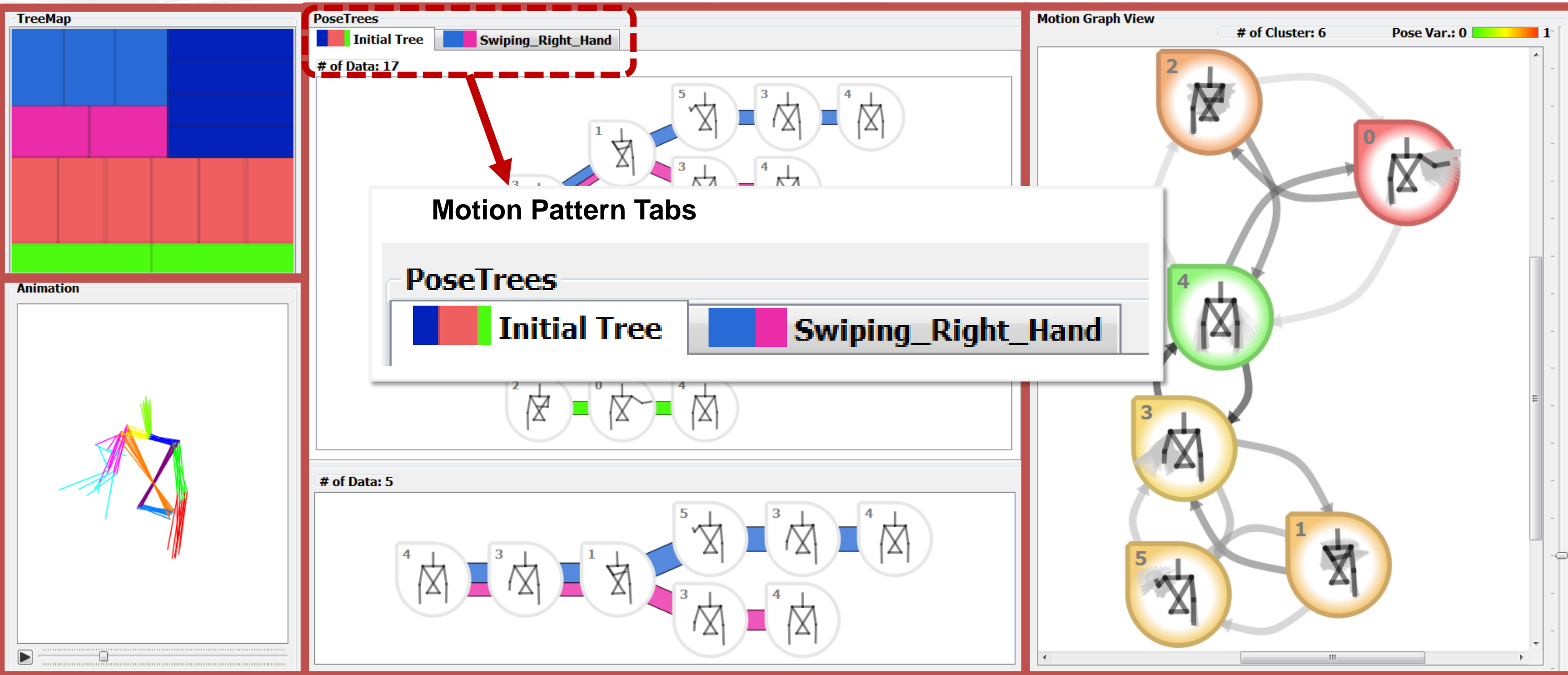
Edge crossing & cluttering



No support for organization

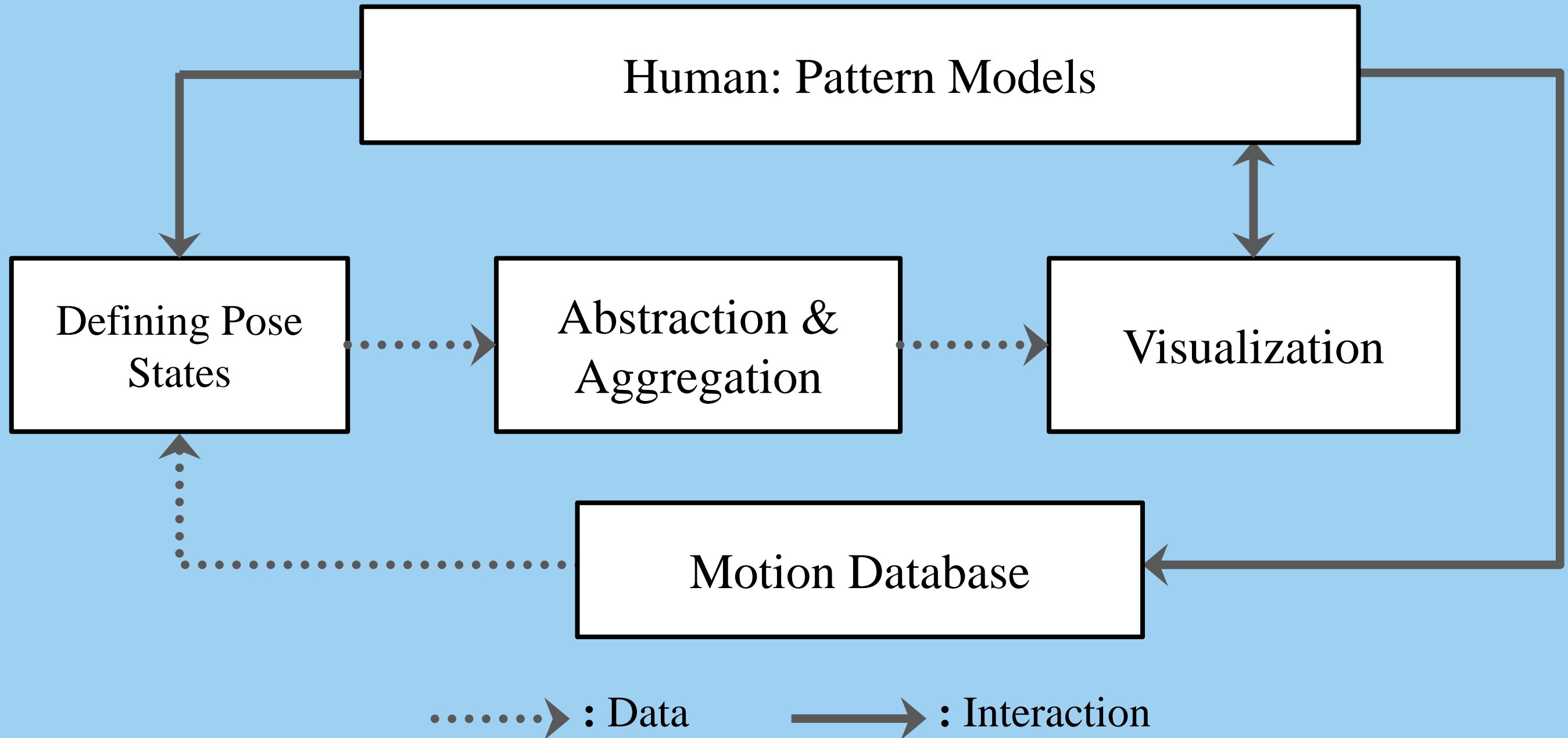
MotionFlow

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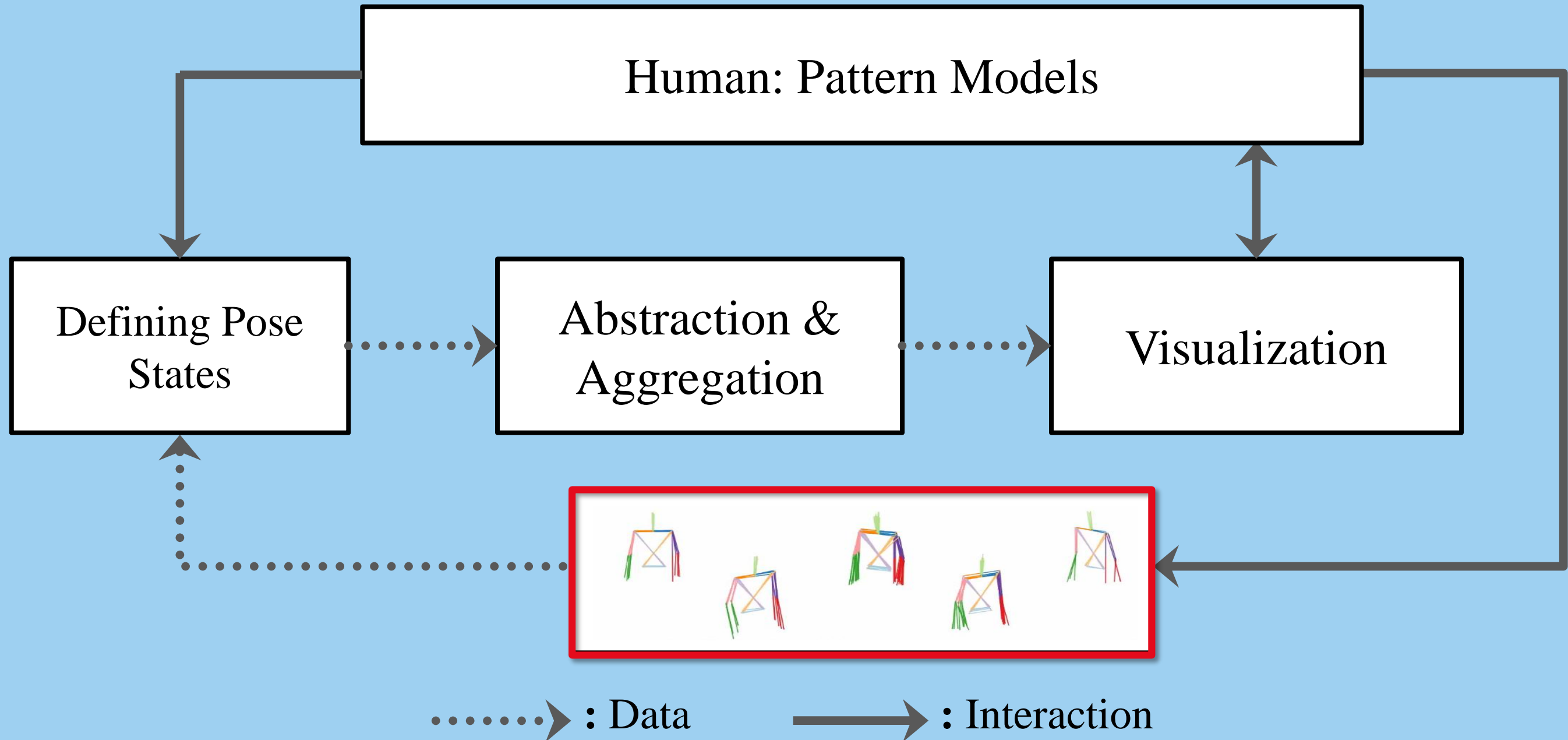
WORKFLOW

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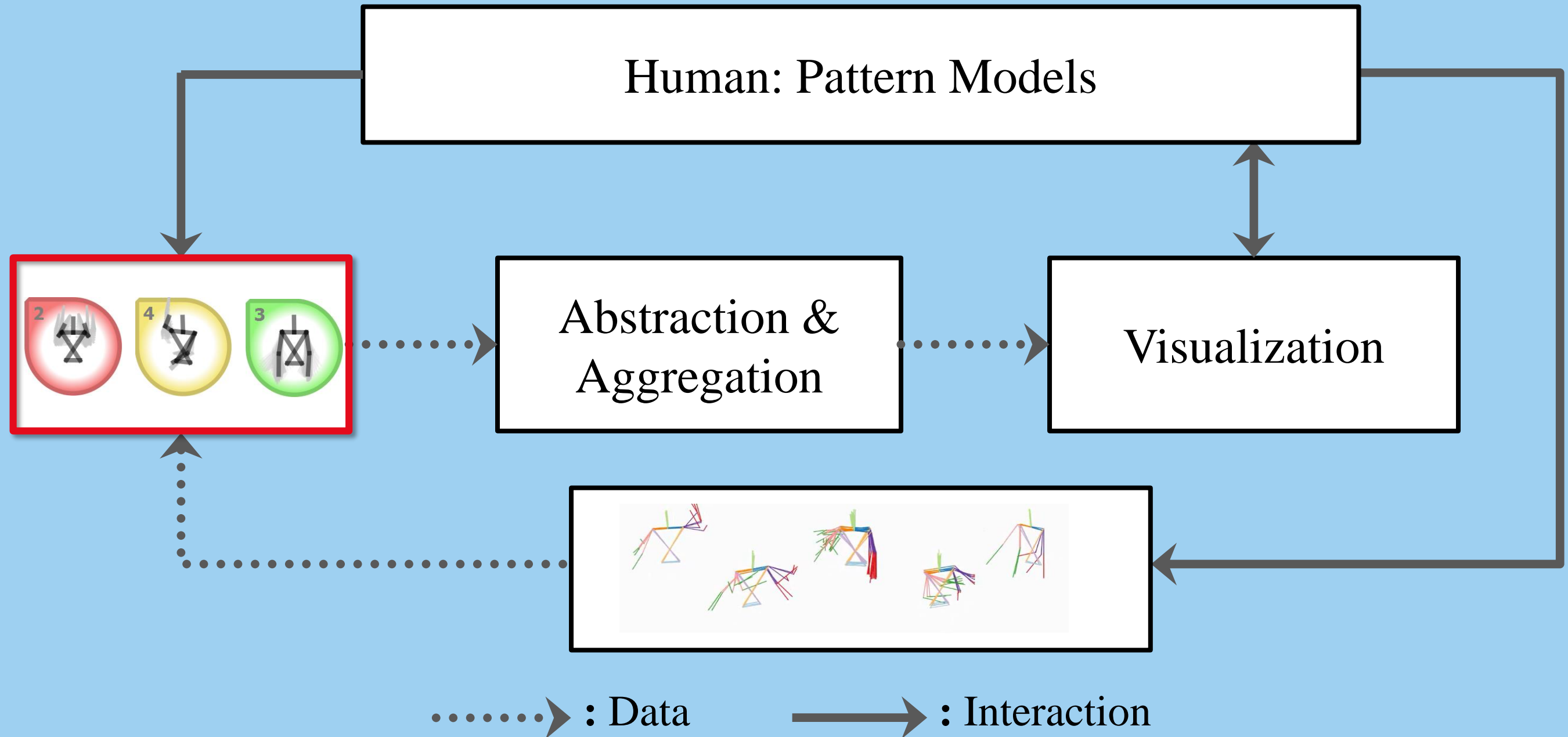
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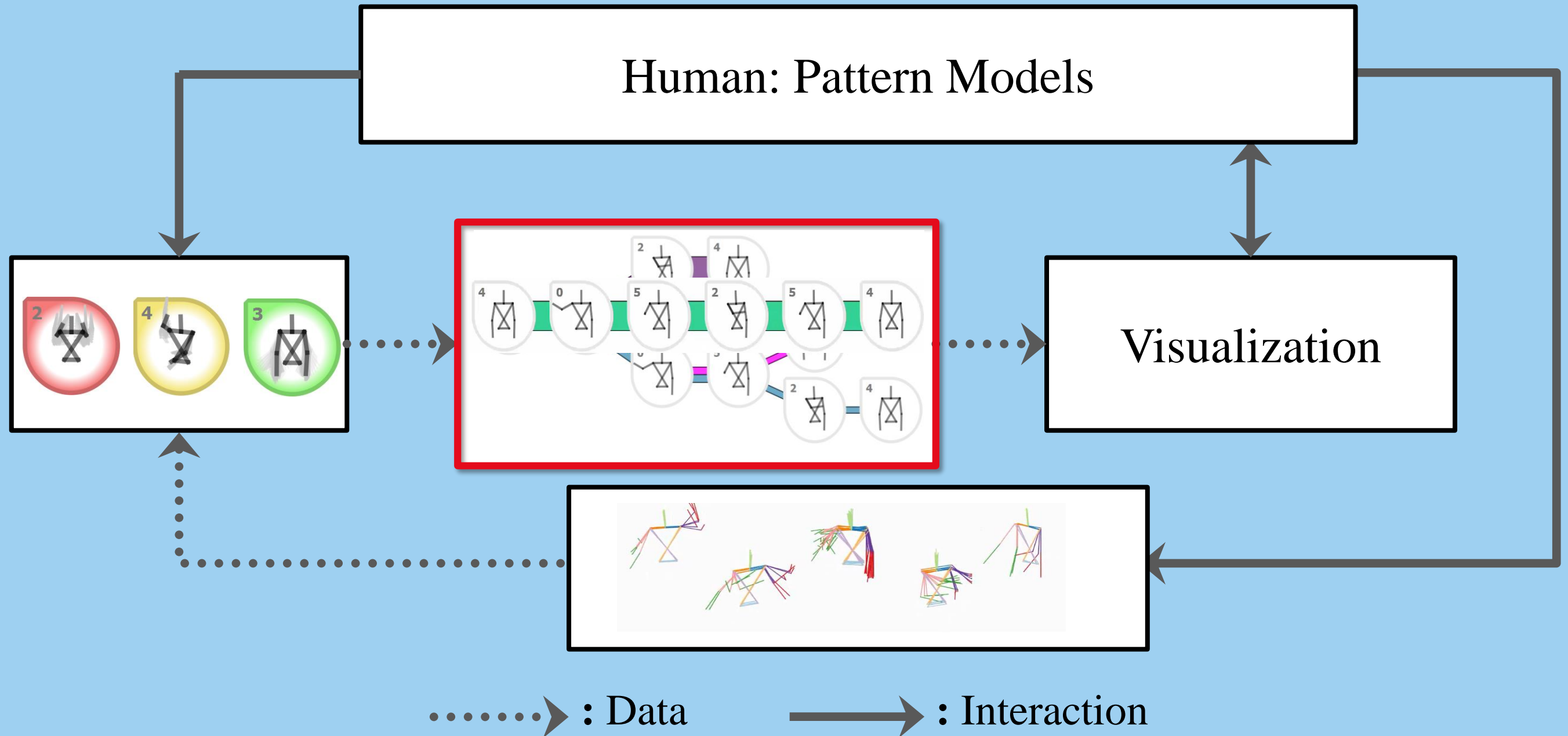
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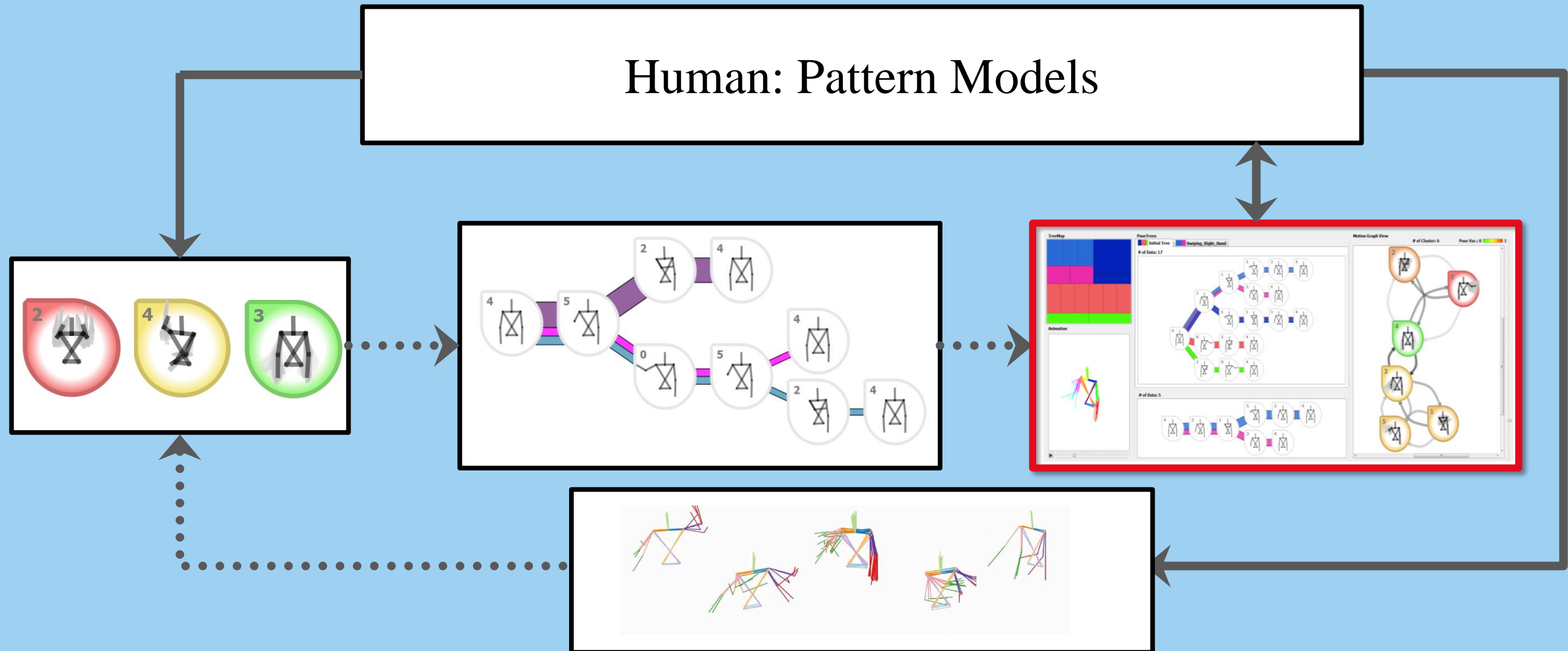
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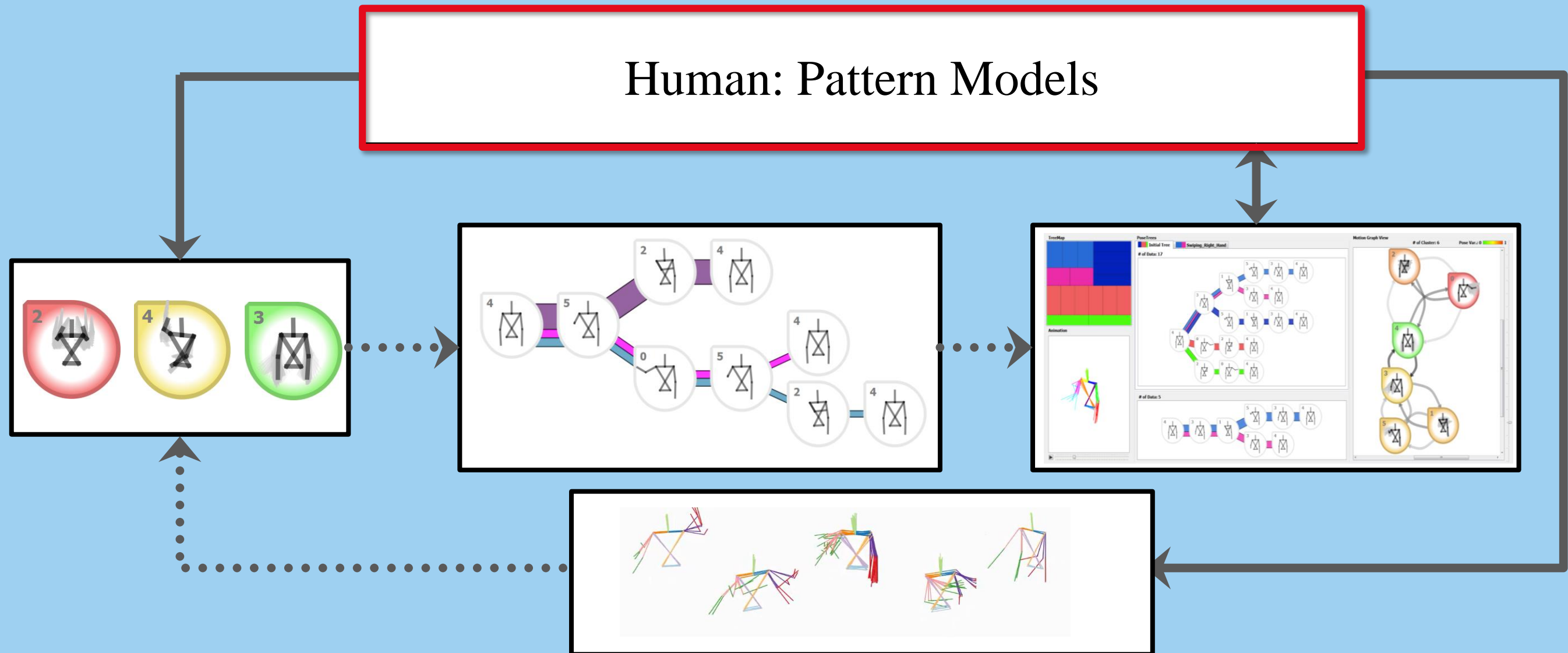


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➡ : Interaction

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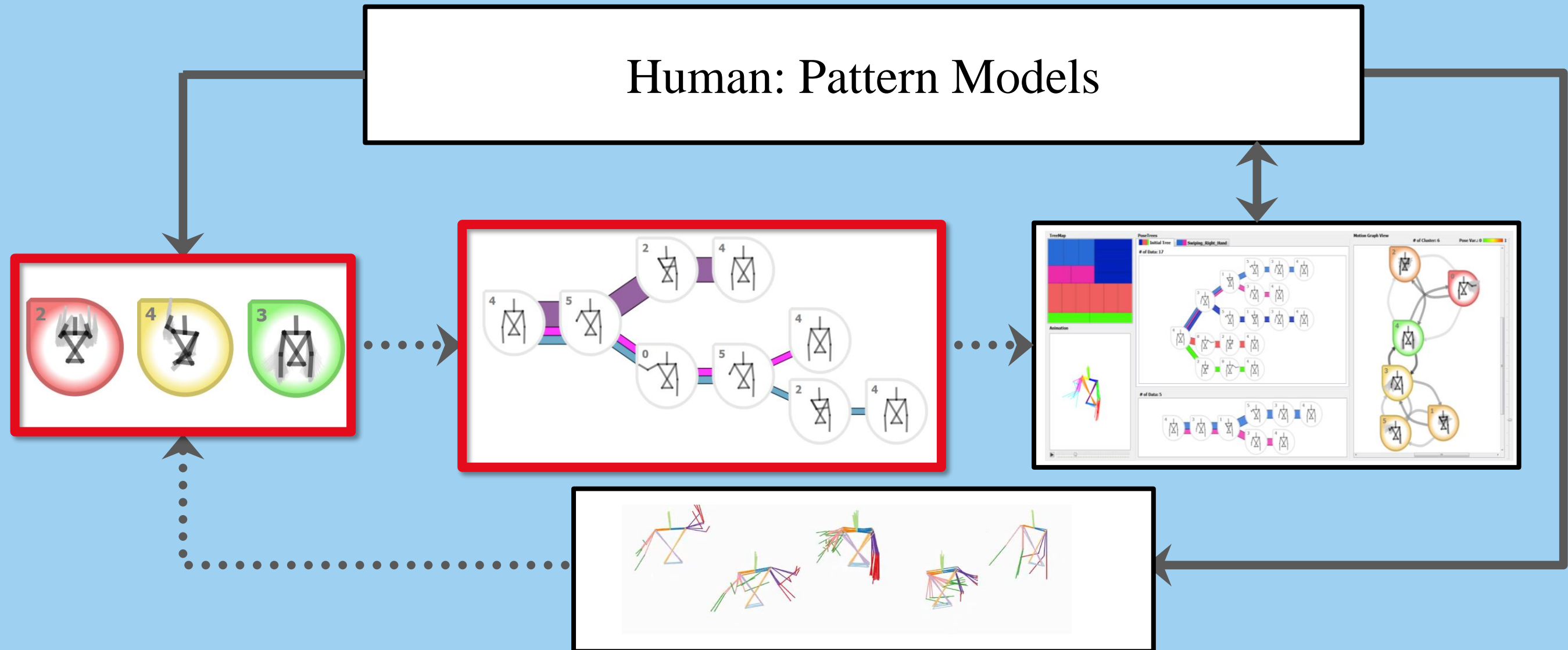


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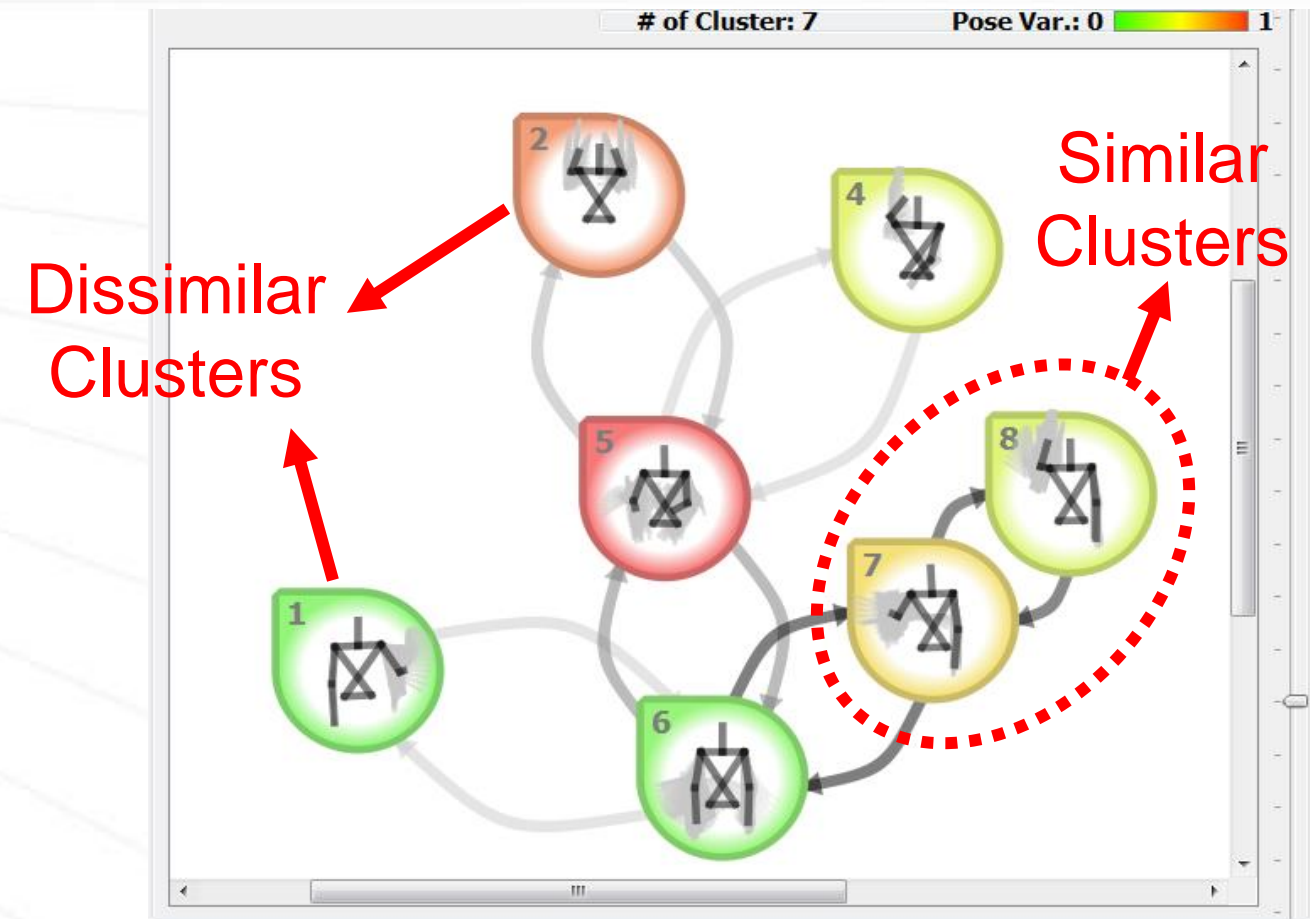
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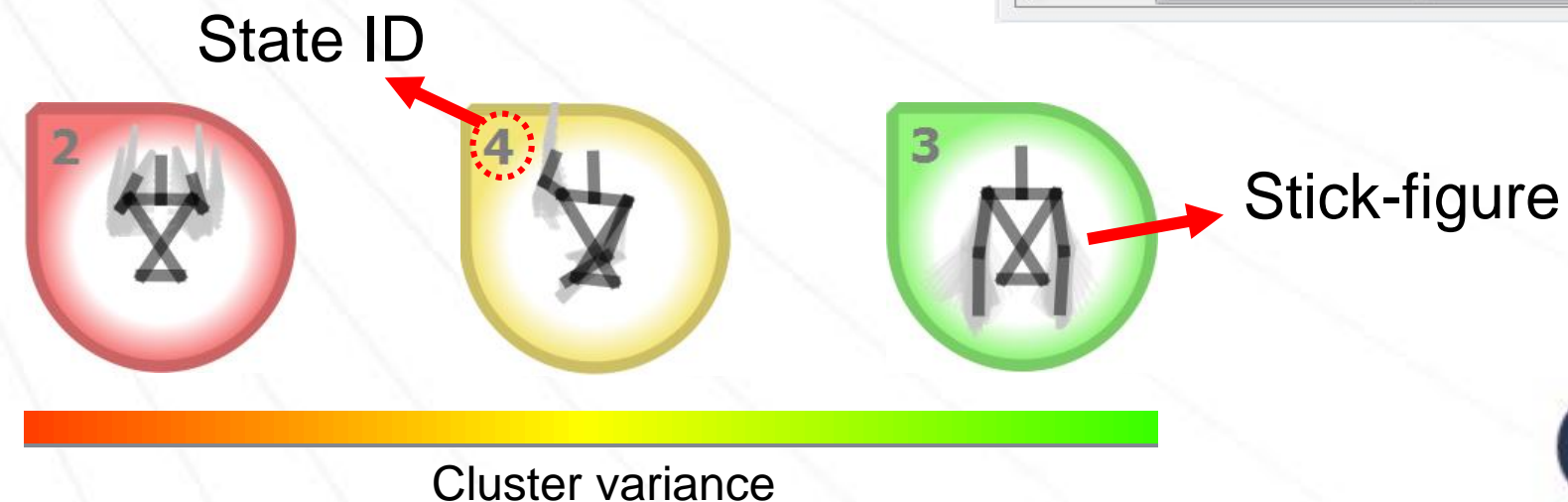
User-Driven Pose State Definition

- Pose state graph

- Interactive K-Means clustering:
Global / Local cluster manipulation
- Force-directed graph layout



- Poselet

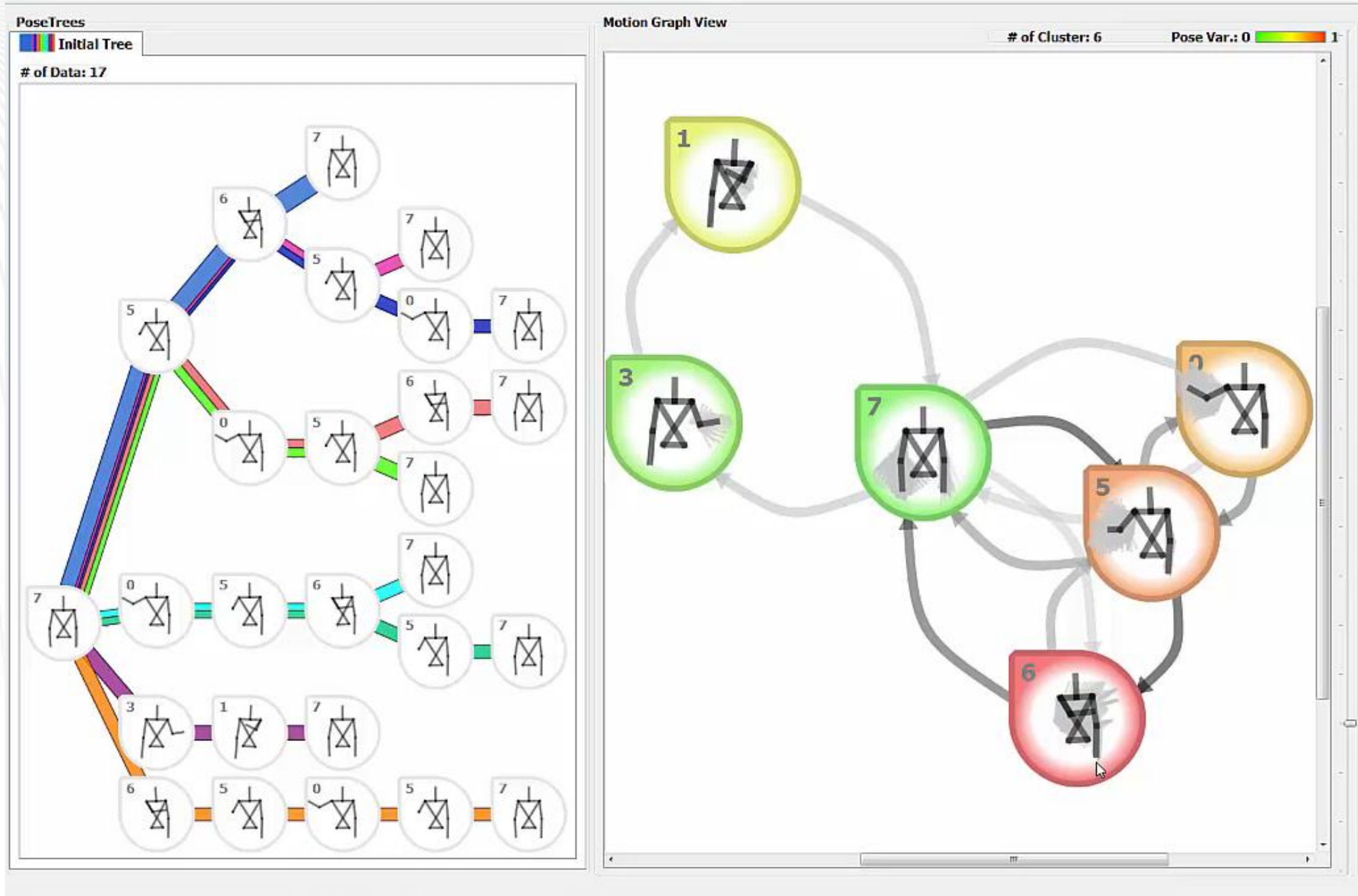




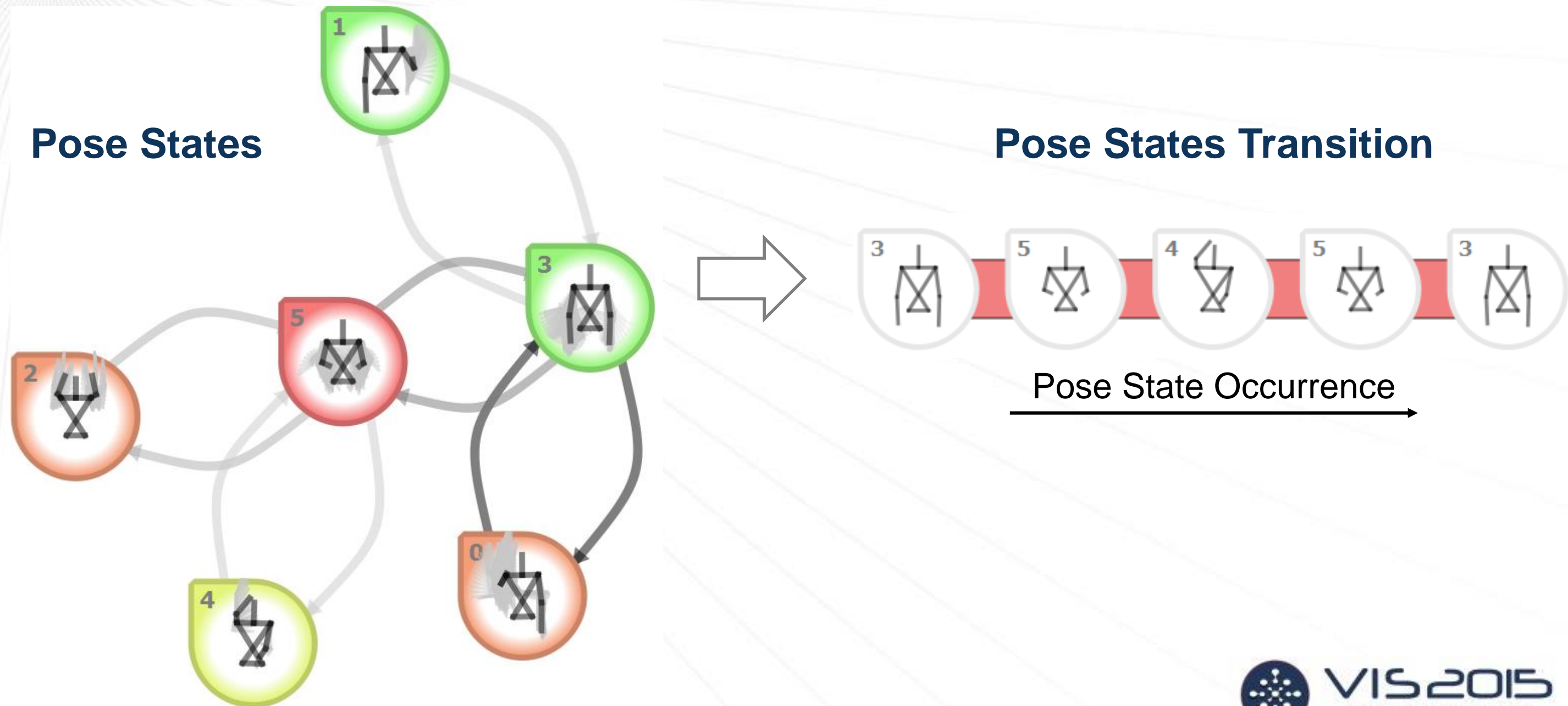


Local manipulation: Lock

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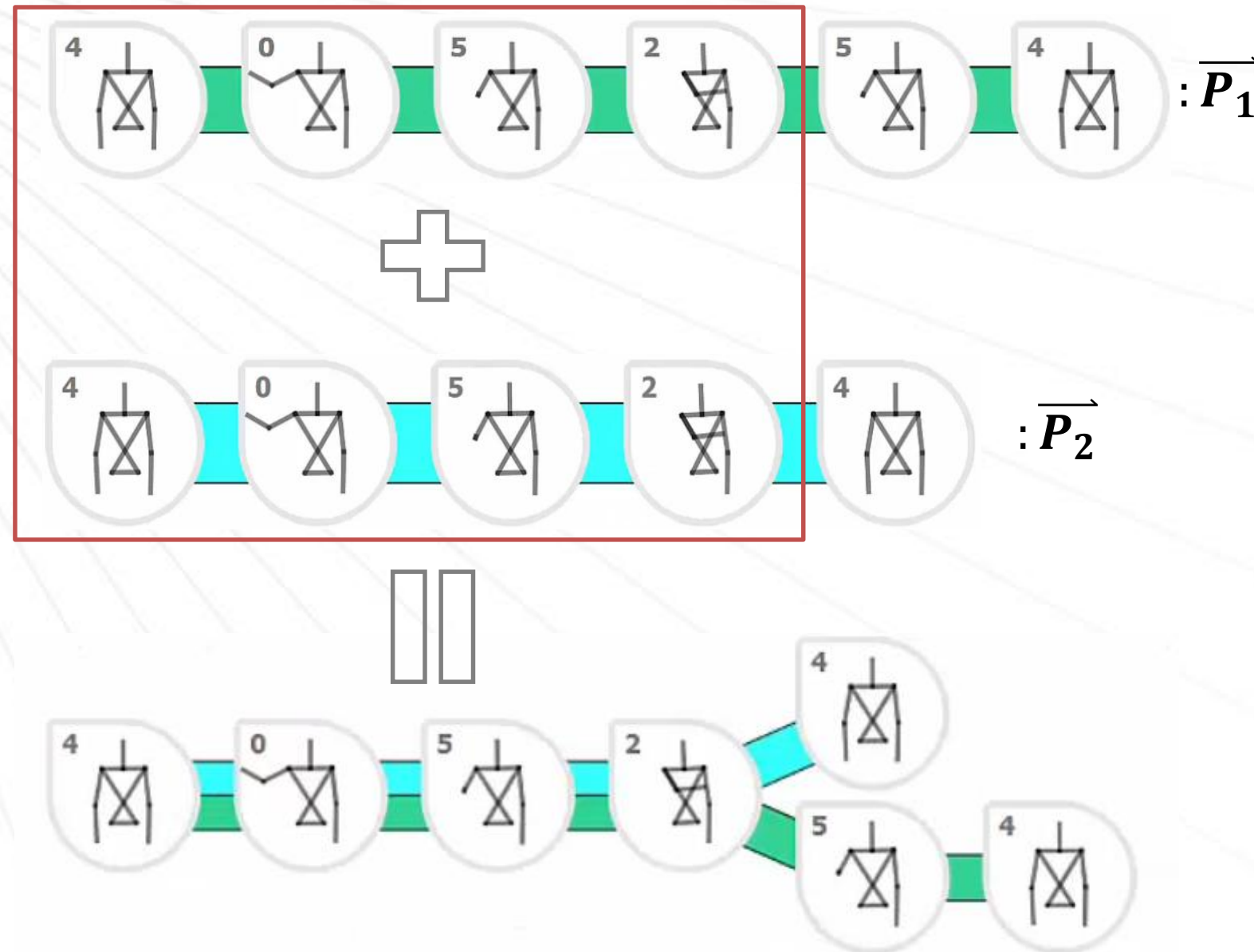


Visual Abstraction



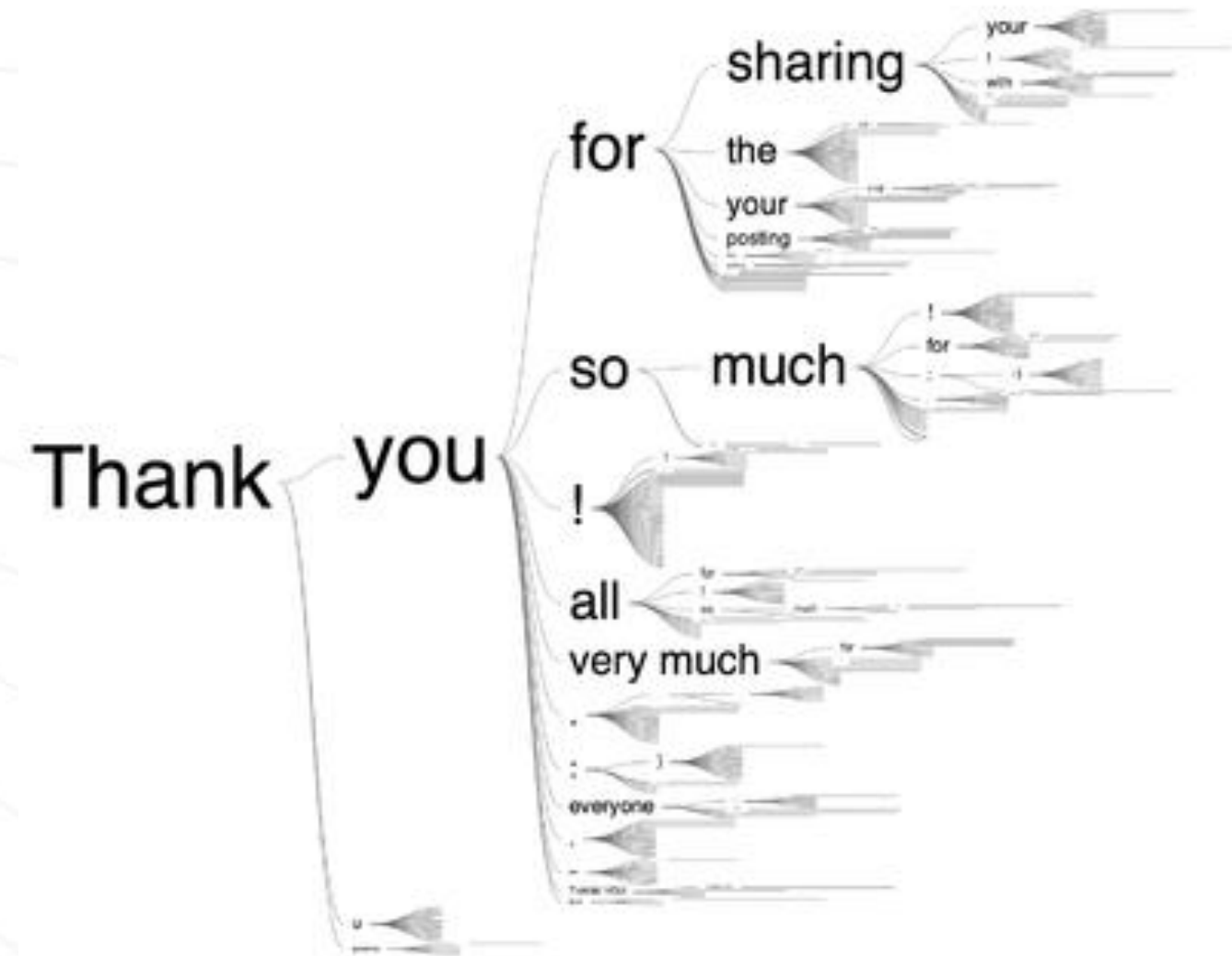
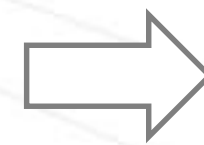
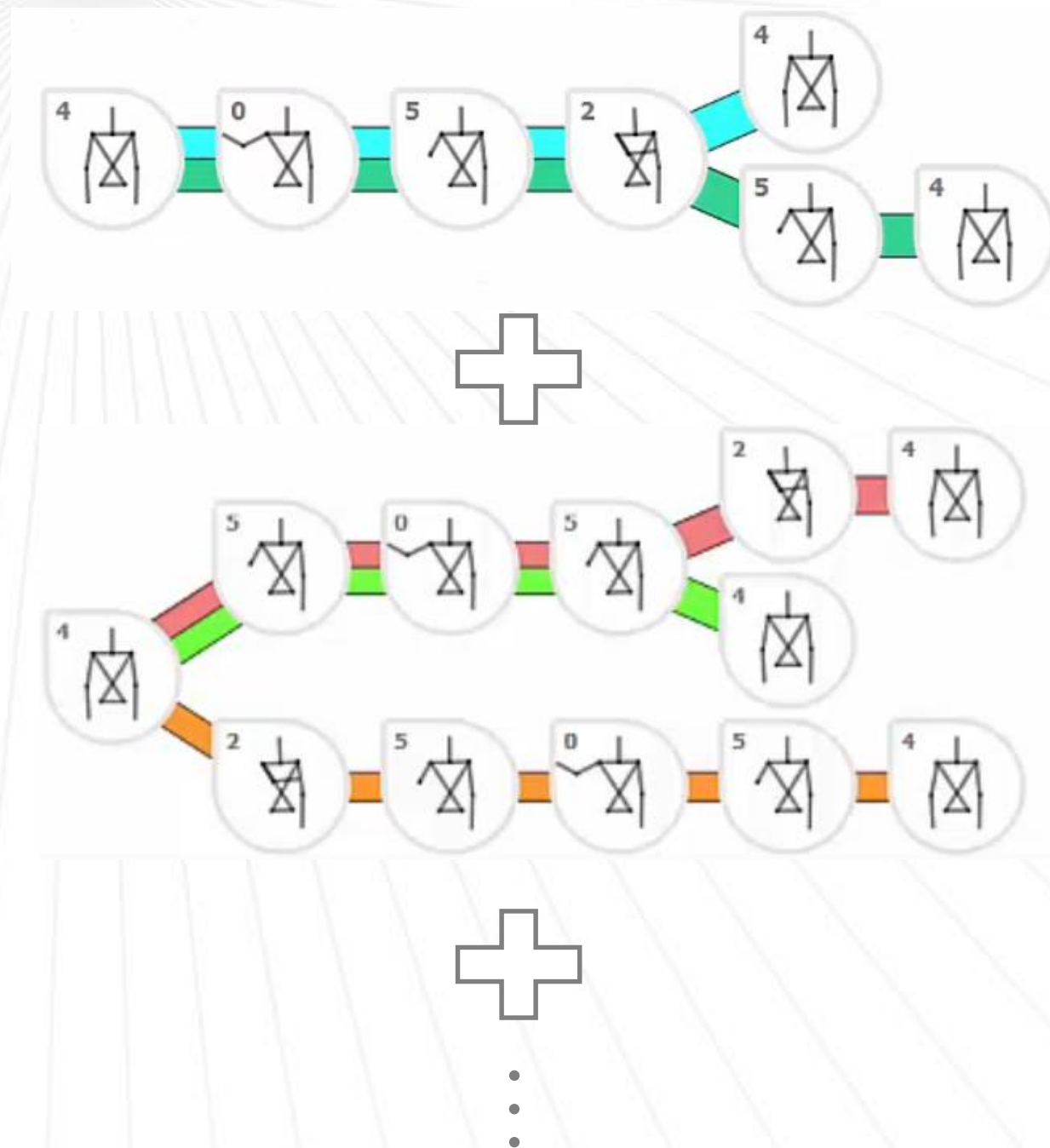
Visual Aggregation

Combine the same pose state transitions



Visual Motion Concordance: Pose Tree

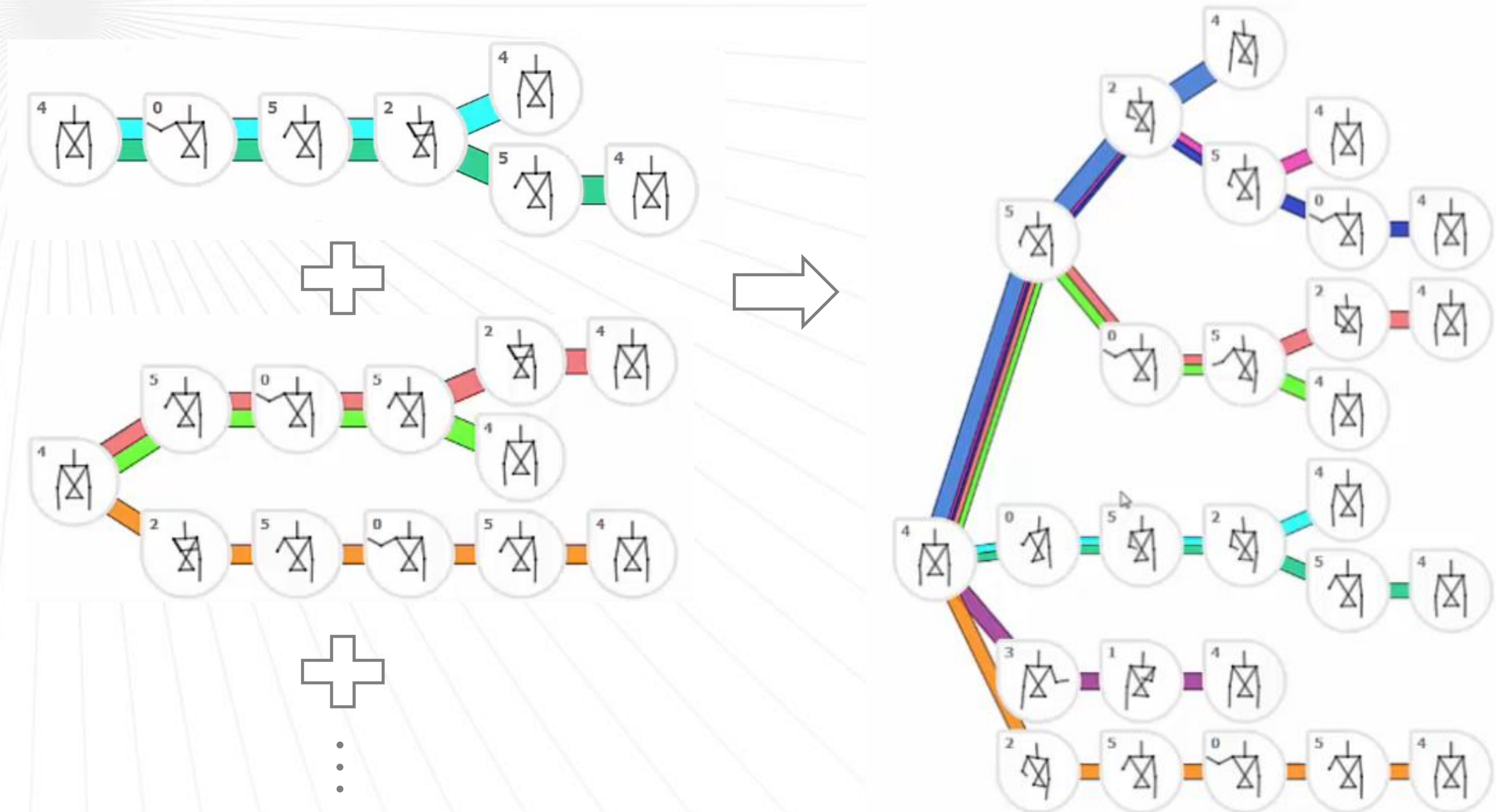
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Word Tree - Wattenberg and Viégas [2008]

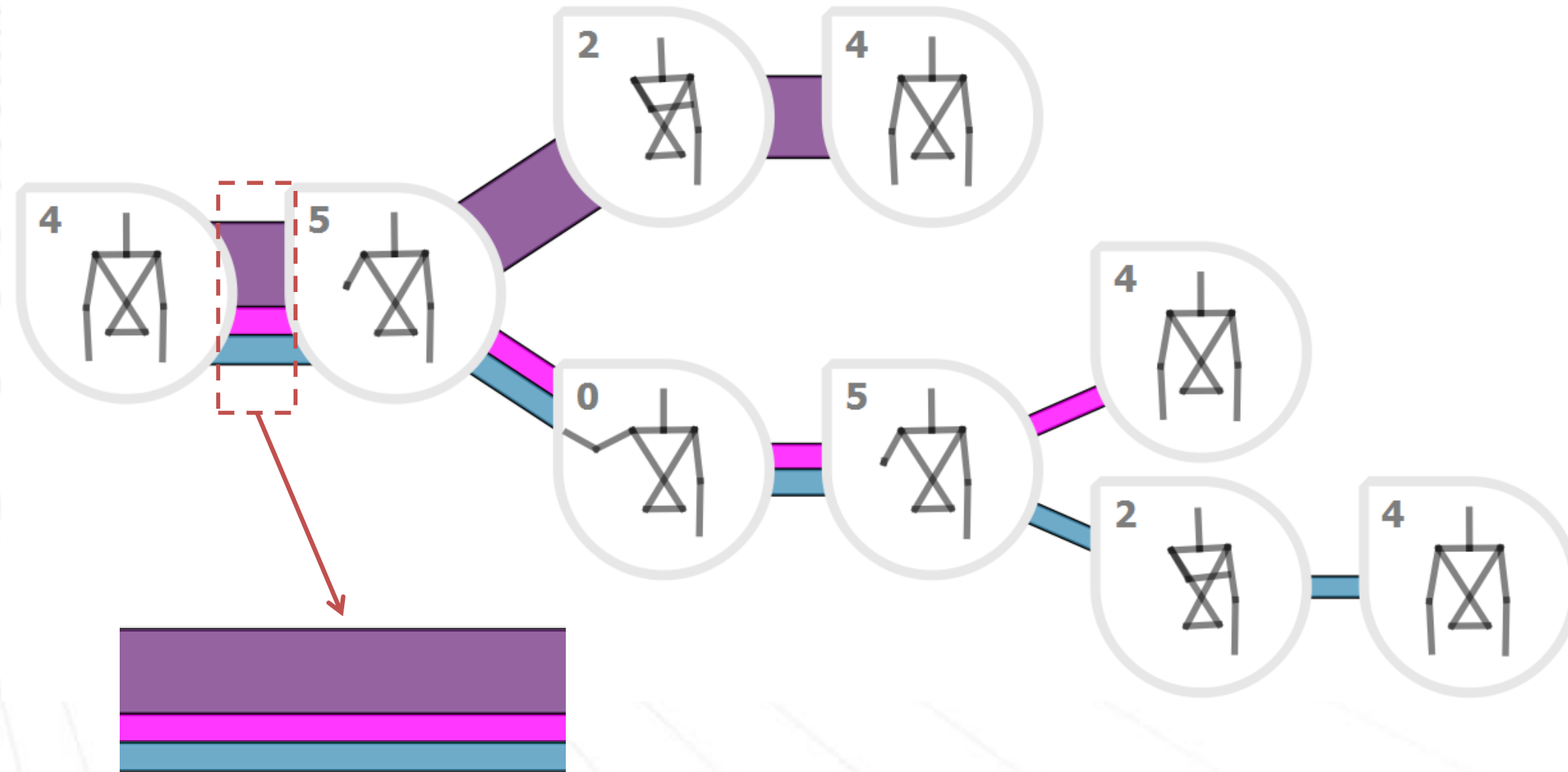
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Visual Motion Concordance: Pose Tree

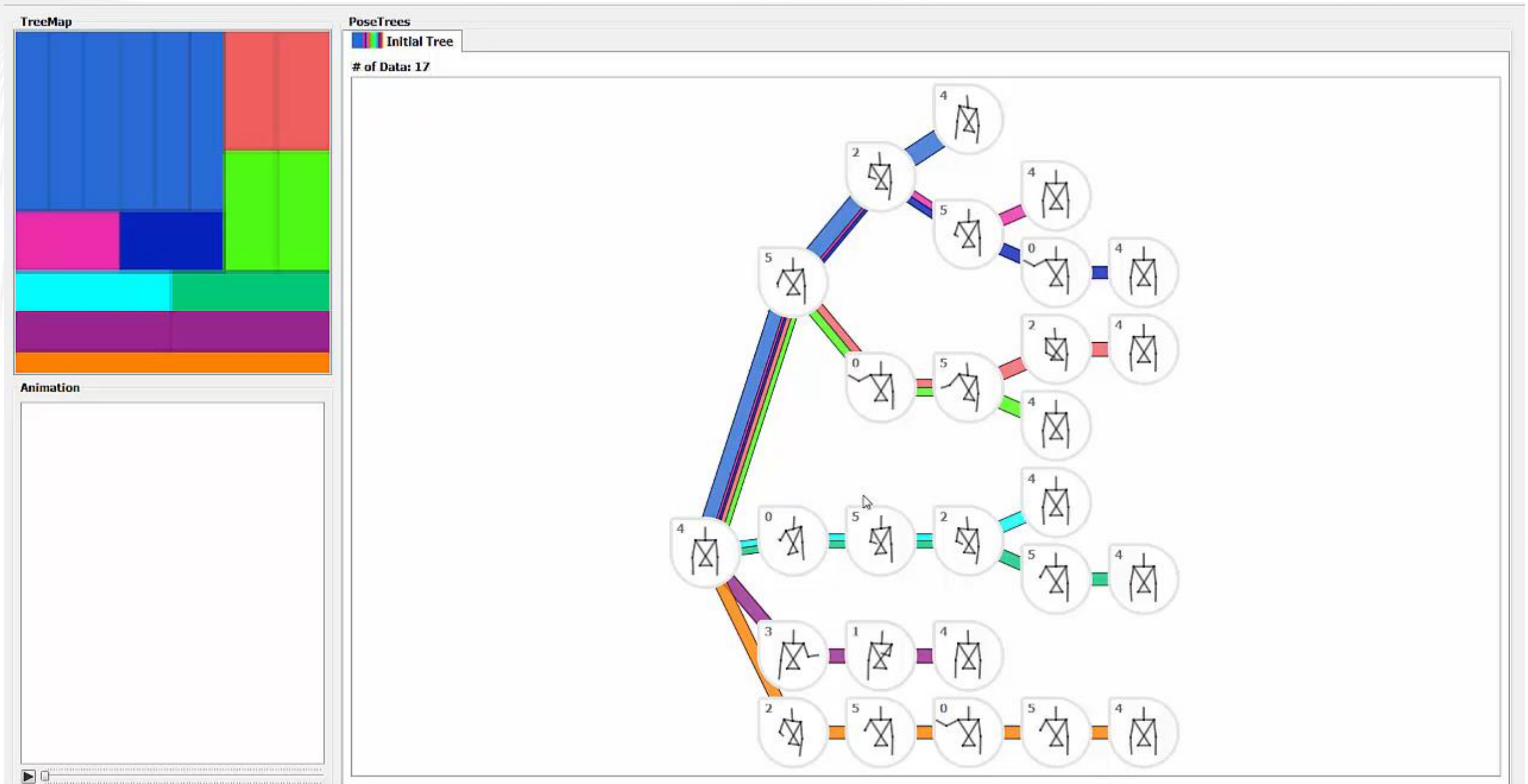
- Edge: Flow Visualization



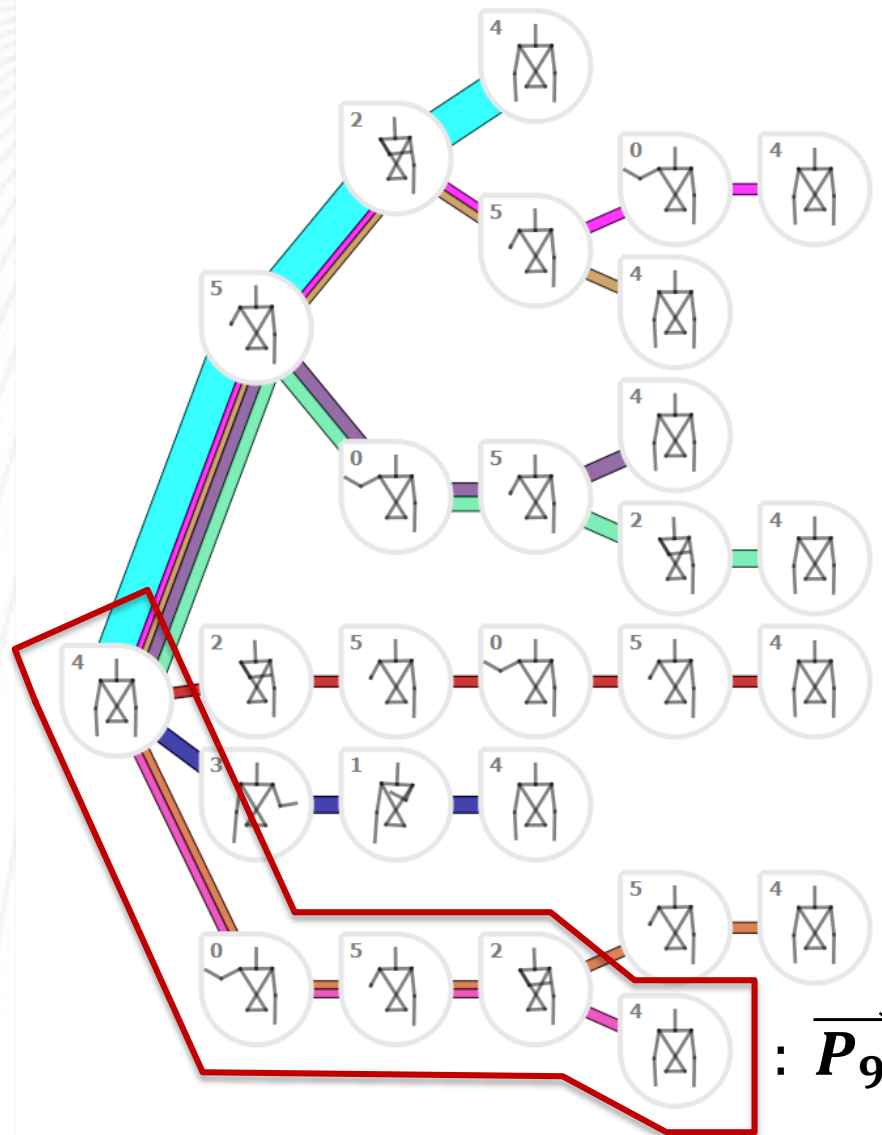
Thickness: Transition Frequency

Pose Tree – Navigating Tree

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Search Similar Motion Pattern



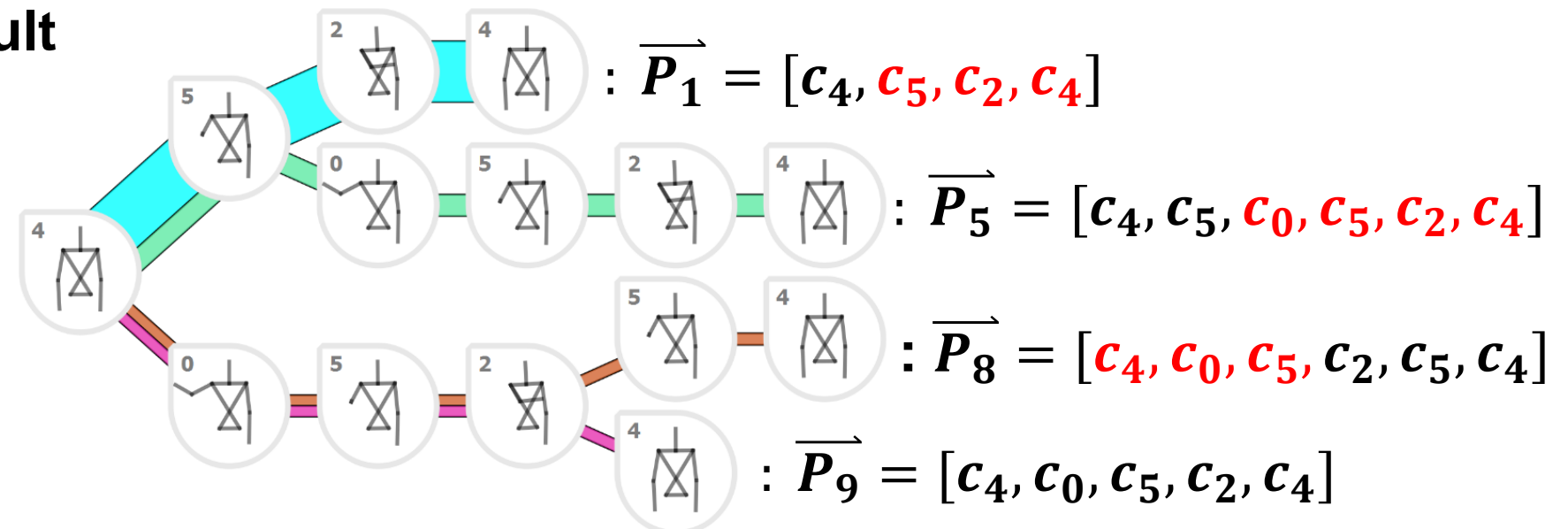
Frequent Sequential Pattern (FSP) Mining

Query \vec{P}_9

Create

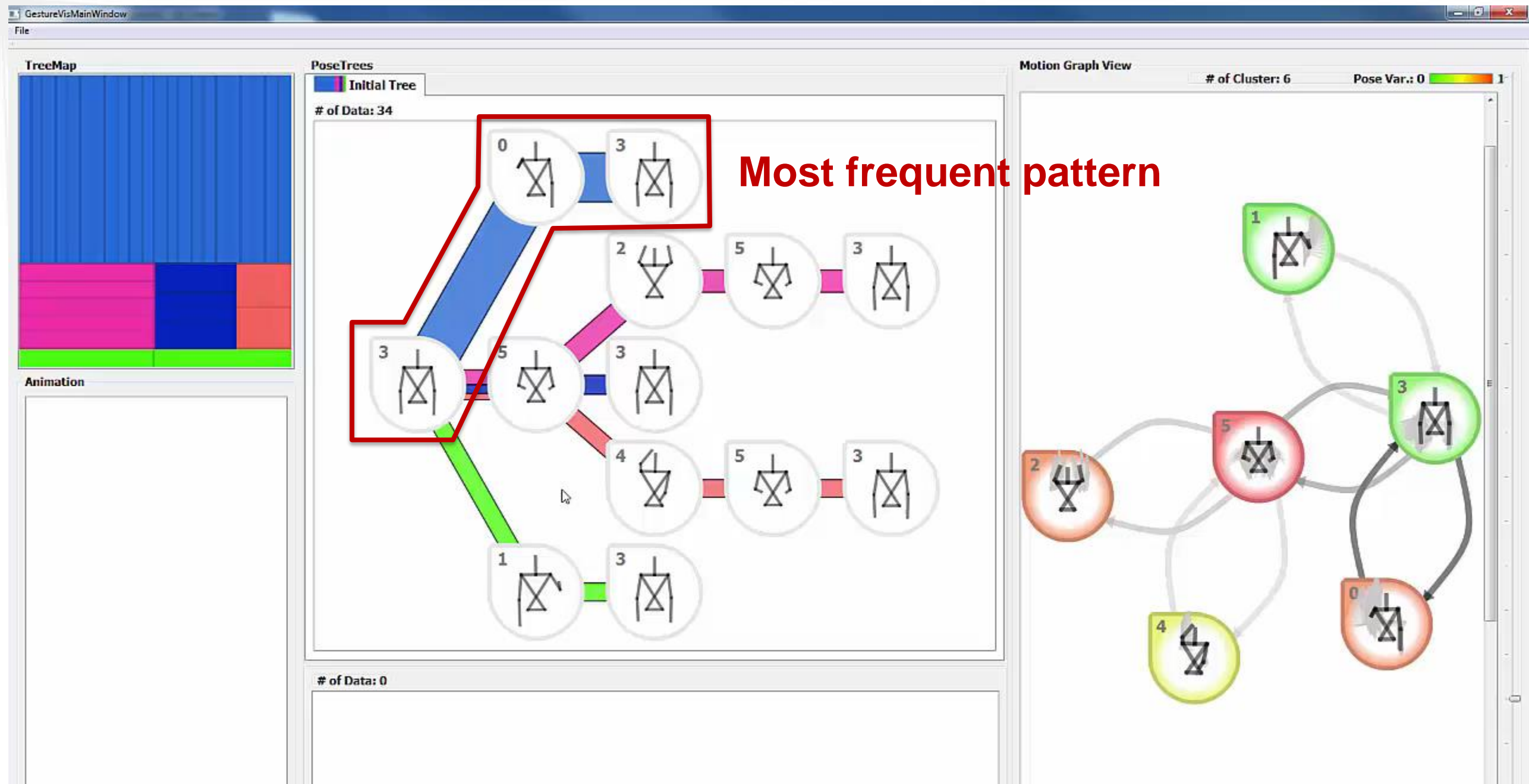
Bag of FSPs

Result



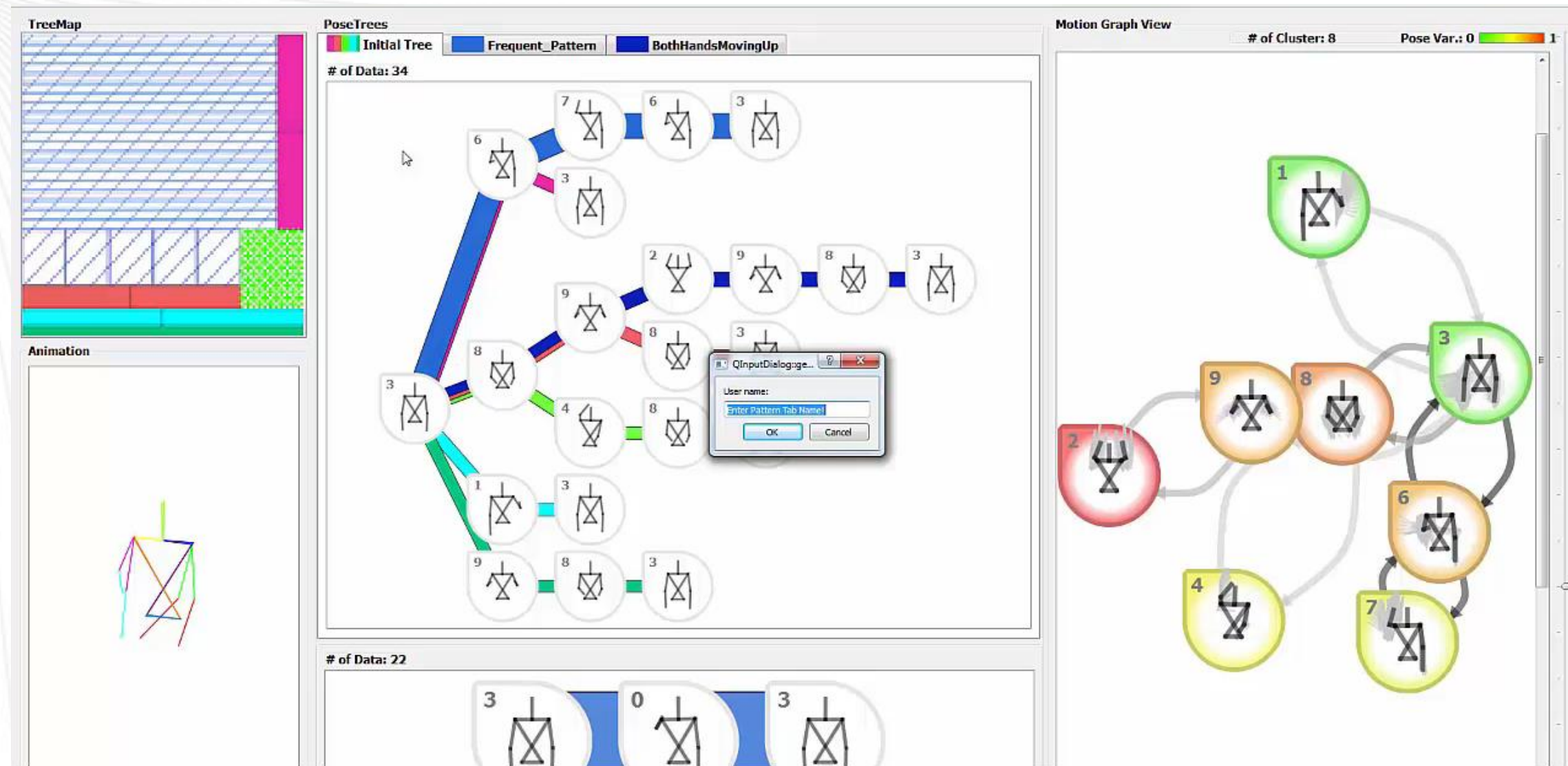
Example Scenario: Creating a Gesture Pattern

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Progressive Motion Data Organization

Example Scenario: Progressive Organization

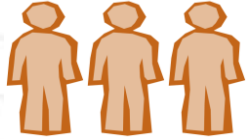



Progressive Organization of Motion Patterns

X 10 Speed

Evaluation: Expert Reviews

- **Goal:** Evaluate usability of MotionFlow in practical analysis tasks

- **6 Participants:** 
Interaction designers

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Human motion analysts

- **Tasks:**

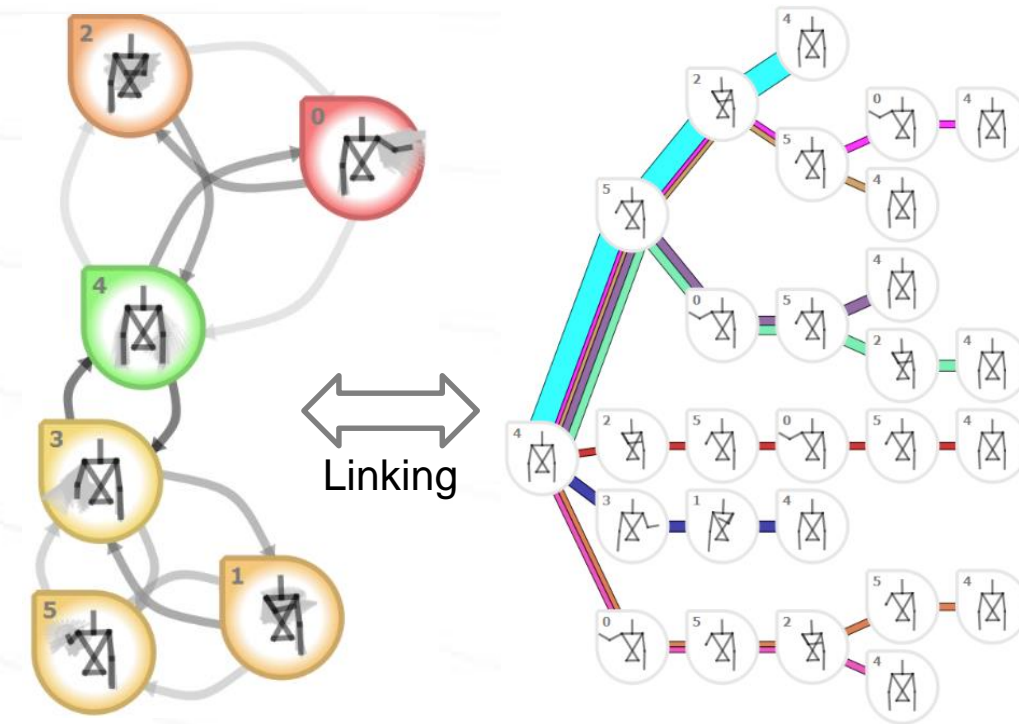
- ✓ **T1:** Generating *representative pose states*
 - ✓ **T2 & T3:** Identifying and exploring most *common* (T2) and *unique* (T3) motion patterns
 - ✓ **T4:** *Organizing* unlabeled motion data into a meaningful set of motion patterns
 - ✓ 13 of 7-Likert scale questions & 7 of open-ended questions
- 34 clips of 6 gesture styles
- 68 clips of 12 gesture styles

- **Data:** Gesture database recorded in elicitation studies [Jang et al. 2014]

Results

Pose-state graph view

- Generating **user-driven pose states**
- Linking with Pose Tree view
 - **Understanding** contexts of pose states in gesture pattern
 - **Organizing** gesture patterns



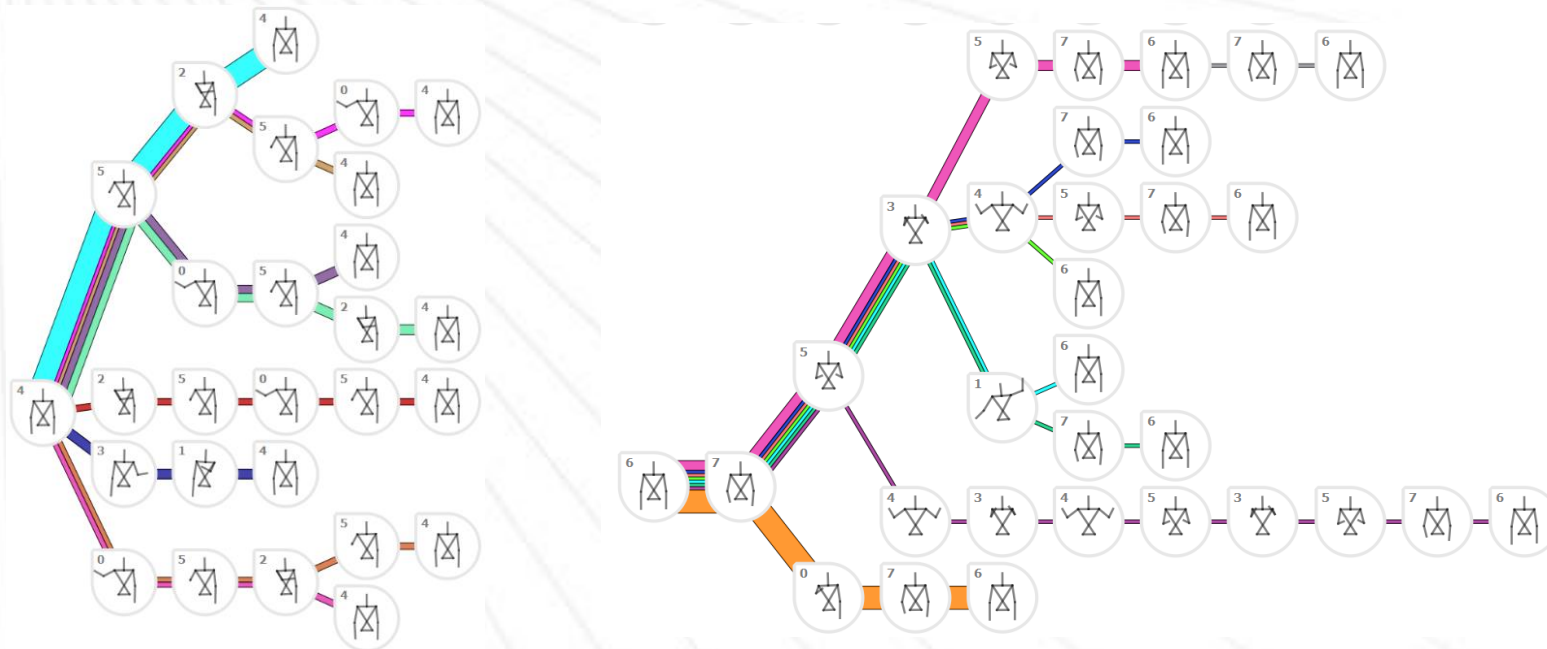
Role of animating gestures

- Animation **cannot be replaced** by *Pose Tree* and *Pose-State Graph* visualizations
- But **integrating** with them greatly supports **sensemaking process**

Limitations

- Scalability

multiple root nodes, large number of sequence patterns



Pose Forest ?

Search and navigate
multi-tree structures

- Analysis of a long period of gesture recording



Conclusions

MotionFlow:

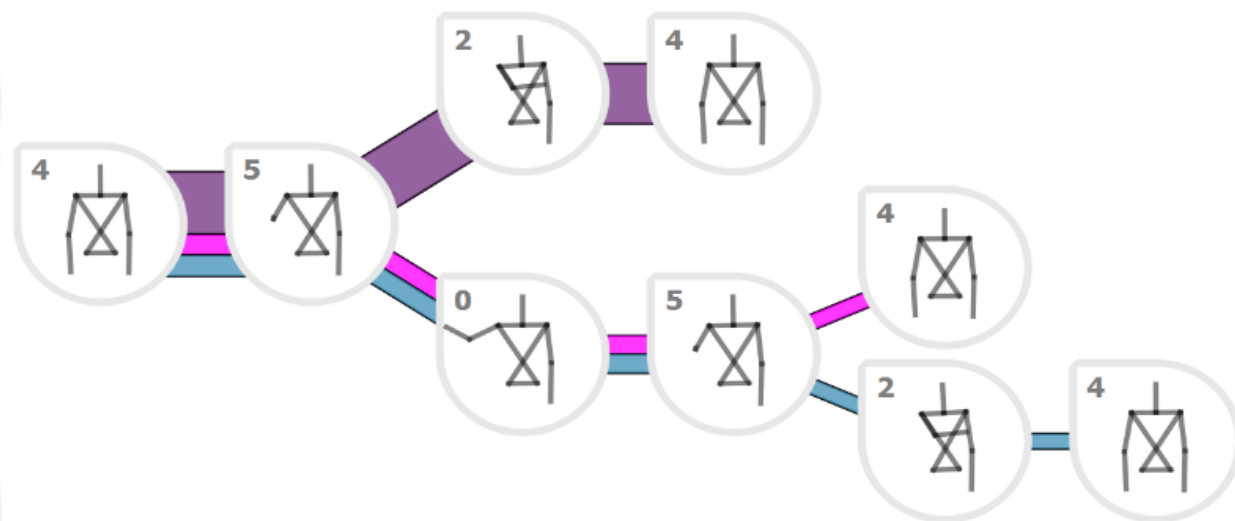
Easy to learn/use and effectively support pattern analysis

Pose Tree:

Complete motion trends

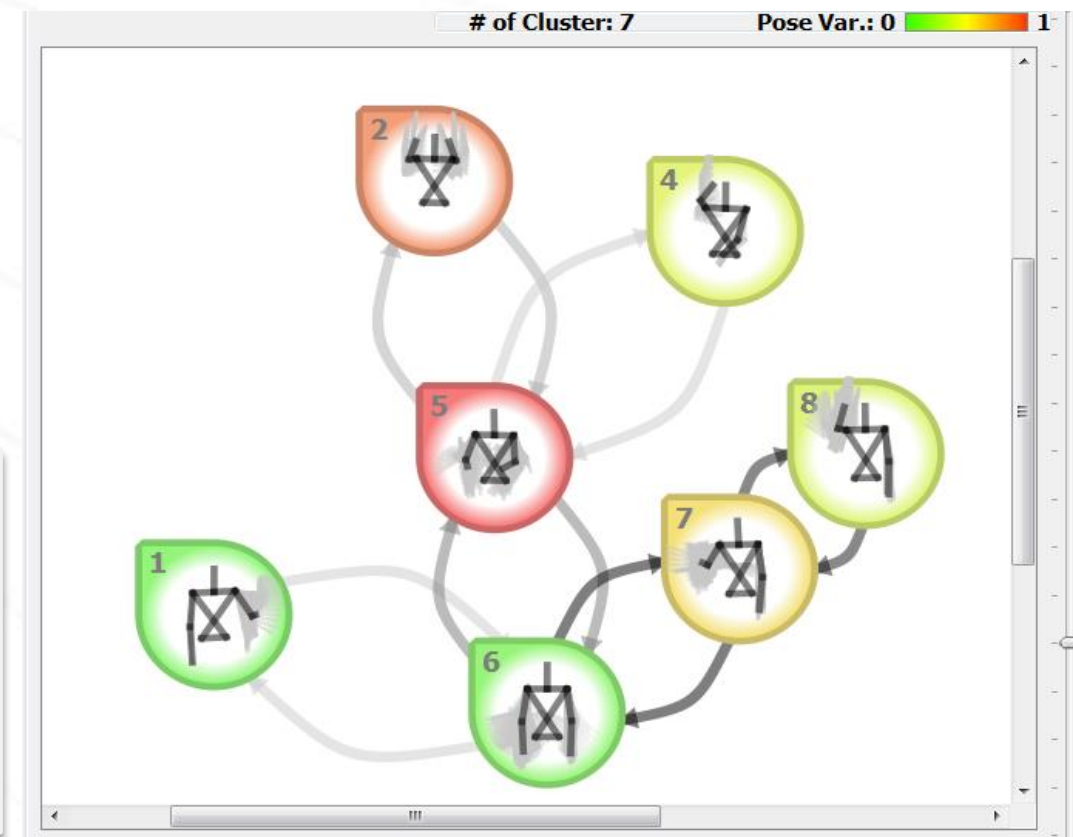
Flow visualization:

Transition frequency



Local/global clustering manipulation:

User-defined pose states reflecting human perception and data context



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