Enhanced Gaming and Pointing

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Overview



- Main Idea: Convert Video gaming into a more virtual experience, and allow the disabled to more easily use their computer
- Project will replace the existing joystick functionality of the Xbox controller with a physical body sensing interface.
- 5 degrees of control: 3 for head movement and 2 for body movement.
- The composite xbox video will be partitioned into 4 different VGA outputs to be displayed on separate screens, allowing for a better multiplayer experience.



Overall Block Diagram



Division of Labor

- Headset Interface Andrew
- Video Interface David
- VGA Splitter Andrew and David
- Data Conversion Andrew and David





Headset

- Includes 2 sensors:
 - Hall-effect compass sensor to measure rotation
 - A 2-axis accelerometer to measure inclination
- Computer control signals will be generated to replace photosensors in a ball mouse, as well as PS/2



Video Interface



- Will consist of a camera with a top-view of the player's position.
- Will use edge detection to determine the player's direction/position.
- Will map the analyzed information into the correct format for the Xbox/PC.



VGA Splitter Diagram



Timeline



- April 25 Working simulations of all modules
- May 2 Functional interface with Xbox/PC
- May 9 Completed Testing → Fully functional system