




The use of technology for active living

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Health in NL

- 44% of people living in the Netherlands do not meet Dutch Guidelines of active living
- People living in cities are less healthy and have a decreased life expectancy (Hoeymans et al., 2014)
- Also clear relation between liveability of city and physical activity (Tiessen-Raaphorst, 2015).



Sport in NL

- Shift from sport in clubs to differently organized communities
- More participation in individual sports as running, cycling and fitness
- Increase in participation in events



Consequences

- Still a lot to win
- More sports in public space
- Bigger importance of technology



Dutch research agenda

- Value of Sports
- Performance
- **More people, more active, more often**



More people, more active, more often... through...

- Better use of technology
- Improved urban planning
- Personalized exercise



More people, more active, more often... with focus on...

- Elderly
- Disabled individuals
- Those in lower socio-economic status



More people, more active, more often... use of big data...

- Use of realistic environments: schools, rehabilitation centers, sportfields
- Collect data of inactive individuals through apps, wearables and beacons
- Collecting data in large cohorts (for instance sportivevents)

Current research questions/projects

- Use of apps and effects of apps on lifestyle and physical activity
- Stimulating physical activity in inactive city citizens with use of beacons
- Use of app data to facilitate urban planning
- Measuring and evaluating motor skills

Use of apps and effects of apps on lifestyle and physical activity



Data collection

Dam tot Damloop &
Eindhoven Marathon

50,000 participants

Recreational runners

Surveys



App use

Gebruik apps and sporthorloges Marathon Eindhoven 2014



App users

- Less active runners
- More females
- Younger



Effect of app use

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN APP USERS AND NON-APP USERS
IN PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, PERCEIVED HEALTH AND LIFESTYLE, AND SELF-IMAGE



16KM
Running event



 INCREASE RUNNING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

57,8%   42,2%

 FEEL HEALTHIER

57,2%   42,8%

 EAT HEALTHIER

54,1%   45,9%

 FEEL MORE ENERGETIC

55,8%   44,2%

 FEEL BETTER ABOUT MYSELF

57,1%   42,9%

 FEEL MORE LIKE AN ATHLETE

58,9%   41,1%

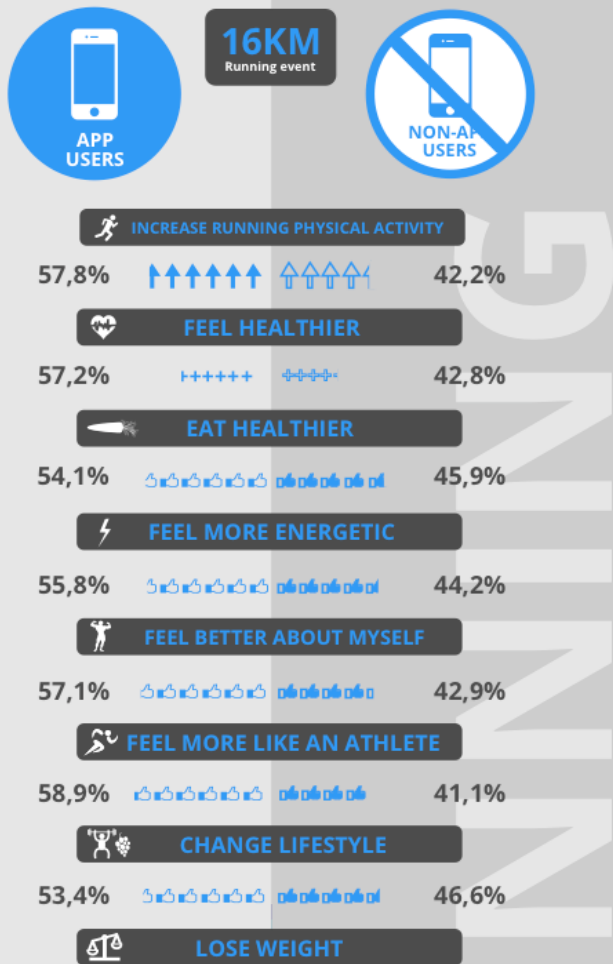
 CHANGE LIFESTYLE

53,4%   46,6%

 LOSE WEIGHT

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App use, physical activity and healthy lifestyle: a cross sectional study

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Promising?

Or even more possible?

- “Health and Fitness” apps >32.700 (Yuan 2015)
- Apps not evidence based (Knight 2015; Middelweerd 2014)
- Development of new and evidence based apps (for instance SENSEI (commit) and inspirun)

Stimulating physical activity in inactive city citizens with use of apps and beacons

Living lab in Amsterdam



Bambea project



Beacon



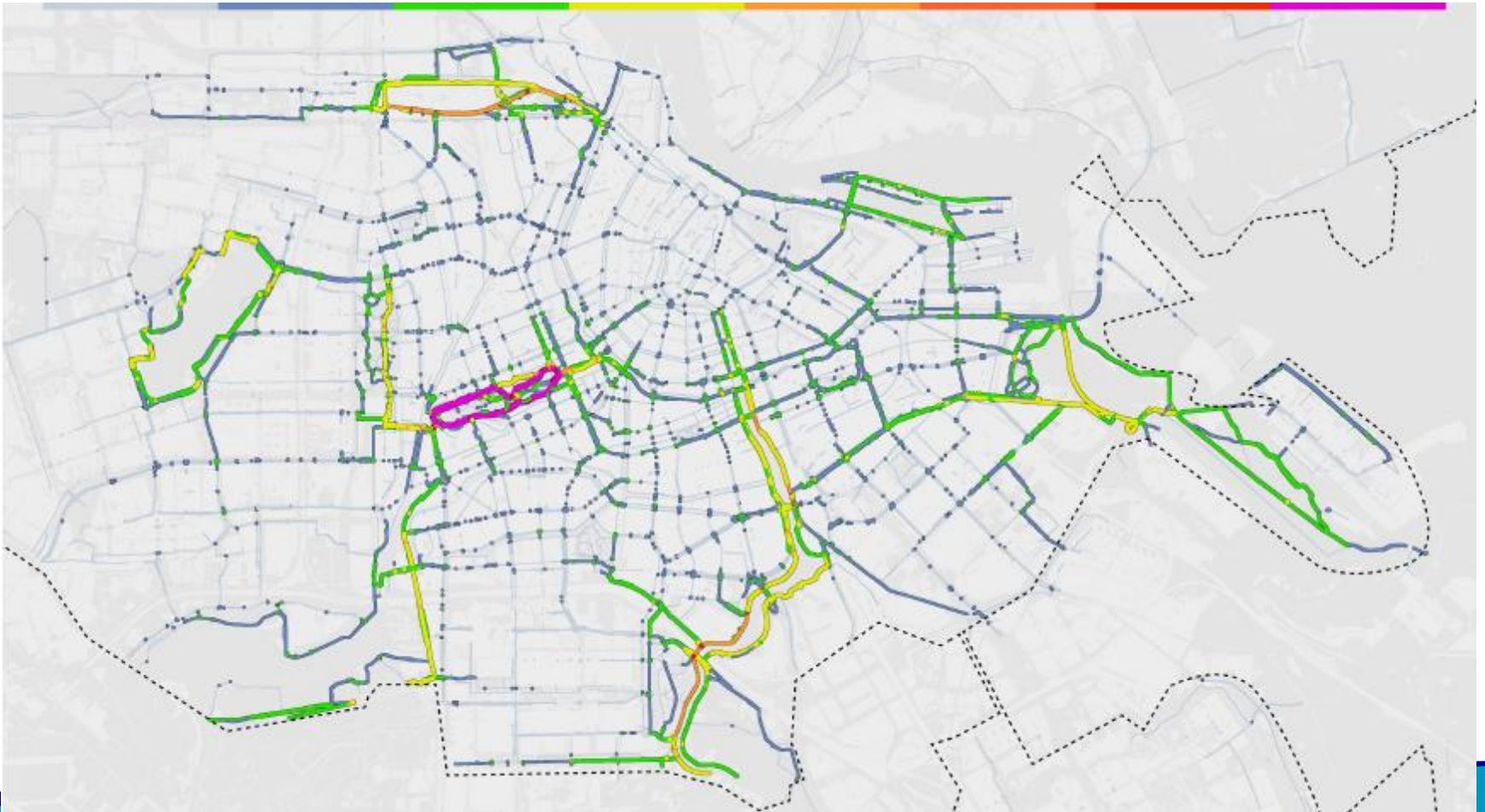
App



motivational feedback

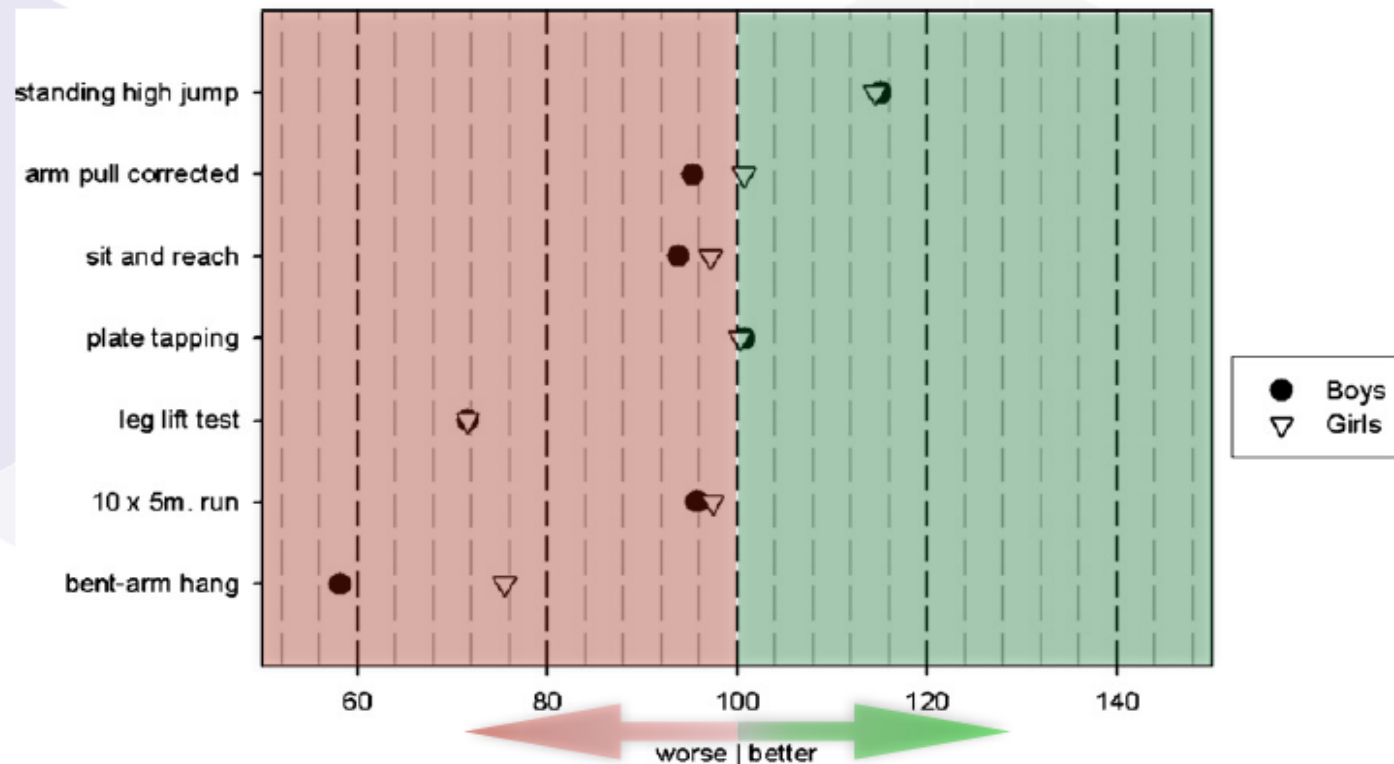
- Easy accessible
- Increased interaction with the neighbourhood
- Motivational feedback based on self-determination theory and transtheoretical model

Using app data to facilitate urban planning



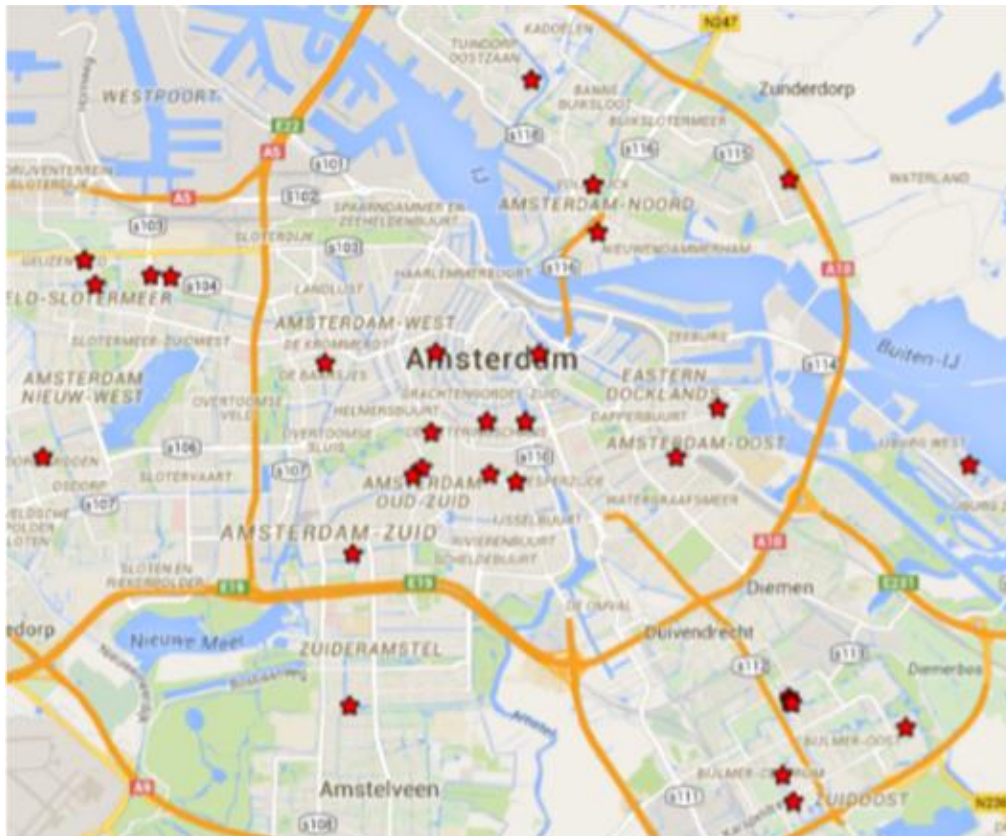
Motor skills in children

PERFORMANCE DIFFERENCES ON MOPER TEST ITEMS OF 9–12-YEAR-OLD DUTCH KIDS BETWEEN 1980 AND 2006 (1980 = 100)



Runhaar, J., Collard, D. C. M., Singh, A. S., Kemper, H. C. G., Mechelen, W. v., & Chinapaw, M. (2010). Motor fitness in Dutch youth: Differences over a 26-year period (1980–2006). *Journal of Science and Medicine in Sport*, 13, 323-328.

Measuring and evaluating motor skills



**Mambo
fieldlabs
30
Schools
4493
children**

Relation Motor Skills

Social
Economic
Status

School
Environment



MOTOR SKILLS

SCORE SHEET 4-SKILLS TEST

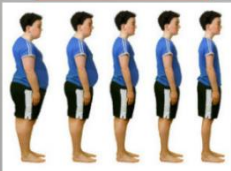
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Standing still	can step over 4 cm	can shoot a ball without falling	stand on one leg for 3 sec.	can stand on one leg for 10 sec. (wobbling allowed)	can stand on one leg for 10 sec. (stable)	can stand on one leg for 30 sec. (wobbling allowed)	can stand on one leg for 30 sec. (stable)	can stand on one leg for 60 sec. (stable)	can stand on one leg with eyes closed for 10 sec.
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Jumping: Force	steps from a 20 cm high platform	jumps from a bench (30 cm) and stands still	hops 3 x	hops 10 x	hops over 9 m. distance	hops over 9 m. distance	hops over 9 m. distance	hops over 9 m. distance	hops over 9 m. distance
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Jumping: Coordination	tramples when child wants to jump	jumps with 2 legs synchronously	jumps forward as a kangaroo 3 x	skips	makes ski jump 10 x	makes quick AC jump	can hop and step in hands synchronously	can cross-spread-cross jump + clap hands at cross	can cross-spread-cross jump + clap hands at spread
Bouncing (ball)	hits (regularly) a well aimed balloon	keeps balloon in the air 3 x	keeps balloon in the air 6 x	throws - bounce - catch	bounce 15 x with preferred hand	bounce 15 x in a row with 'other' hand	can dribble 10 x in a B-shape	bounce >15 x without looking at ball	can dribble 12 x in B-shape within 30 sec.
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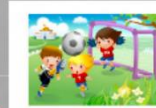
After School
Sports Activities

Jumpin

BMI



Member of
Sports Club



Challenges

- Developing evidence based technology to stimulate inactive citizens
- Smart use of data collected in sport apps to increase urban planning aimed to stimulate exercise
- Advanced data mining for finding motivational triggers (for physical activity)
- Providing relevant feedback from collected data

Wish for collaboration



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