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THE USE OF MULTIVARIABLE SENSOR DATA TO EARLY DETECT LAMENESS IN SHEEP

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OUTLINES

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- Research Methodology.
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PROBLEM DEFINITION

- Lameness is a clinical symptom referring to locomotion changes, resulting in impair and erratic movements that widely differ from normal gait or posture (Van Nuffel, et al., 2015).
- Lameness represents a serious cost problem in sheep industry and farming productivity in the UK.
- The cost of the footrot disease (one of the common causes of lameness) to British sheep industry per year was estimated by £24 million (Nieuwohf and Bishop, 2005), and around £10 for each ewe (AHDB, 2014).
- It varies from mildly lame to severely lame.





RESEARCH AIM

- To develop an automated model to early detect lameness in sheep by analysing the data that will be retrieved from a mounted sensor on sheep neck collar.
- Minimize sensor power consumption by eliminating the sensor data which have less effect on decision making to identify lameness.
- This model will help the shepherd to early detect the lame sheep to prevent the worse situation of trimming or even culling the sheep.







• Very divergent because of the *multidisciplinary* feature of this research study.

Data Collection Methods

Human Observation

> Video Cameras

Sensor data (GPS, Accelerometer, head movements,)

Data Analysis Methods

LS /GS Scoring system techniques/done by trained observer)

Statistical Techniques

Computerized techniques (Data mining use Machine Learning techniques)

Analysis Purpose

Detect animal illness (mastitis, lameness, ketosis)

Classification
(lying,
standing,
grazing,
ruminating)

Species Type

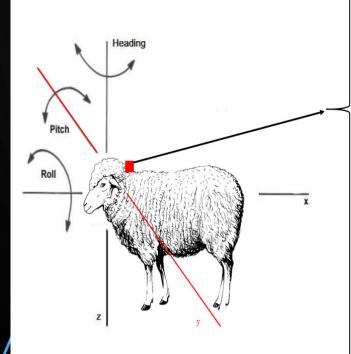
Cattle

sheep

Other species

SENSOR PROTOTYPE





- Longitude
- latitude
- Time Accuracy (one reading every 40 mS)
- 25 readings/ S (1000/40)
- 25*60=1500 reading/Min.
- 1500*60= 90000 / Hr.

Acceleration M/S2

X Accelerometer

Y Accelerometer

Z Accelerometer

Angular velocity (Rad/s)

X Angular velocity

Y Angular velocity

Z Angular velocity

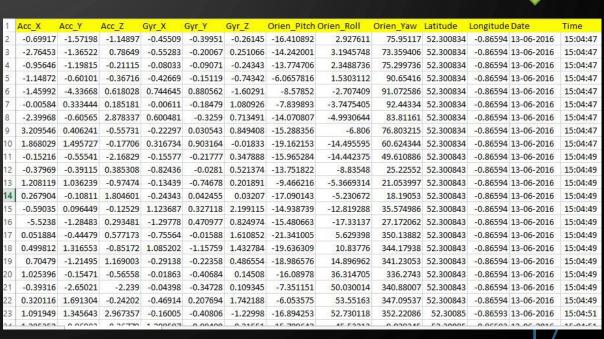
Orientation (clockwise/anticlockwise)

Roll angle (Deg around X axis)

Pitch angle (Deg around Y axis)

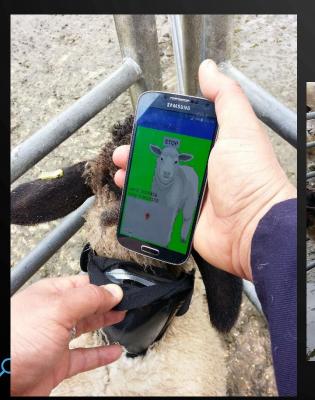
Head angle (Deg around Z axis)

Sensor data is an Excel file like this:



DATA COLLECTION

Data were collected from Lodge farm at Moulton
 College on 13 June 2016 (9 sheep) and on 23 Sept.
 2016 (22 sheep).



Video Footage example









DATA COLLECTION OBSTACLES

- Catching the sheep not and easy work, help is always needed.
 DBS check.
- Muddy soil in rainy weather.
- Sensor collar need to be fixed with clips.
- Sheep do not move. Need to walk to simulate them for continuous waling which is important for readings.

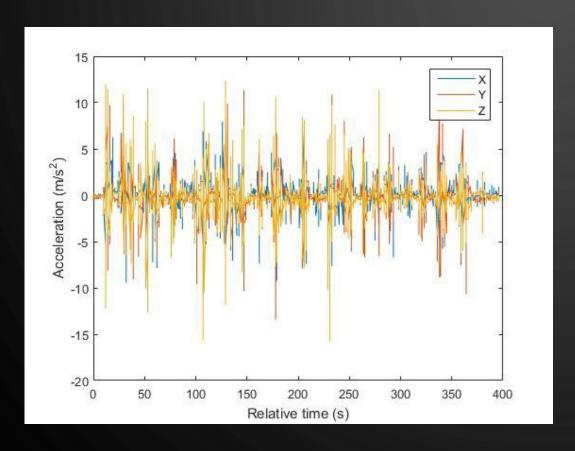


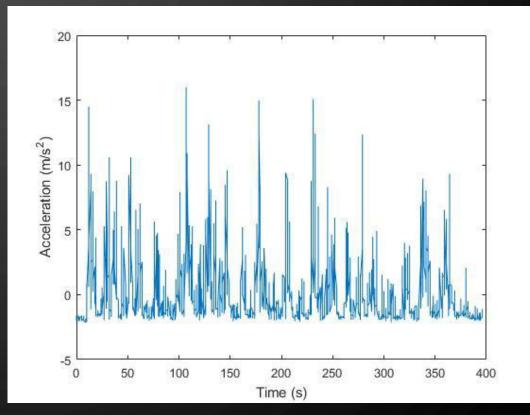






LAME SHEEP EXAMPLE



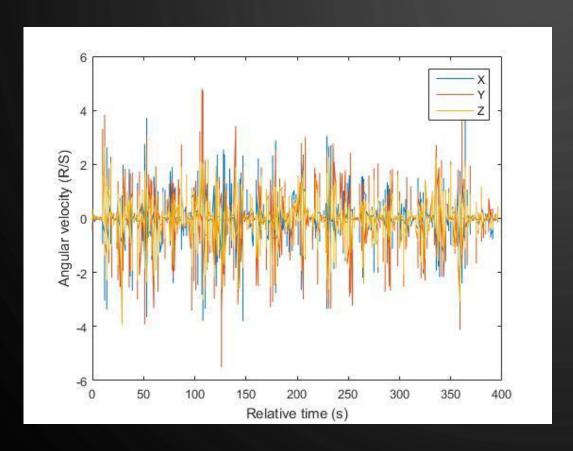


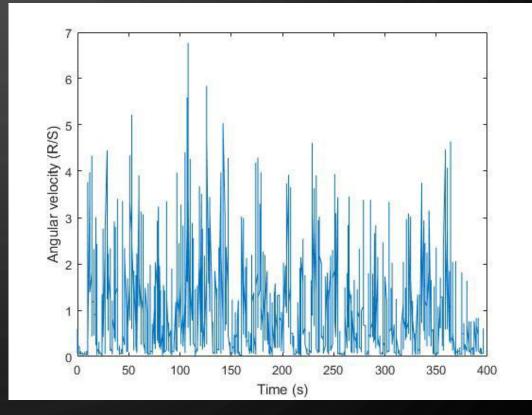
Acceleration data for lame sheep

Acceleration magnitude for lame sheep



LAME SHEEP EXAMPLE CONT.

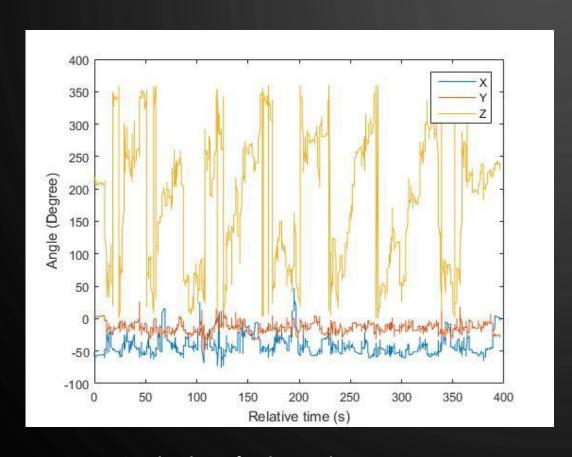


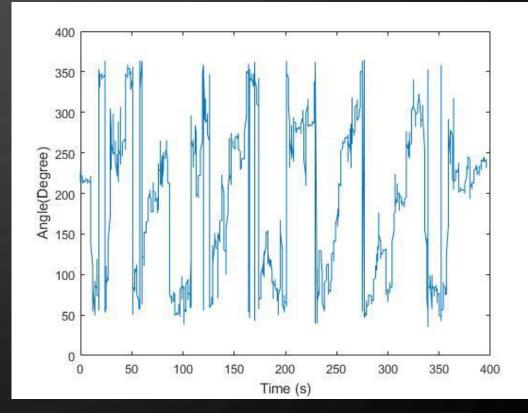


Gyroscope data for lame sheep



LAME SHEEP EXAMPLE CONT.

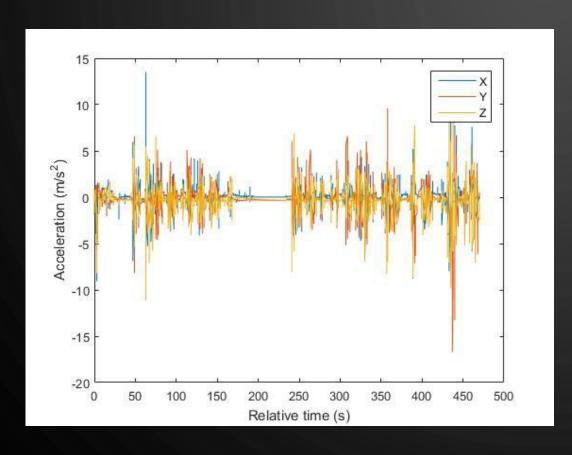


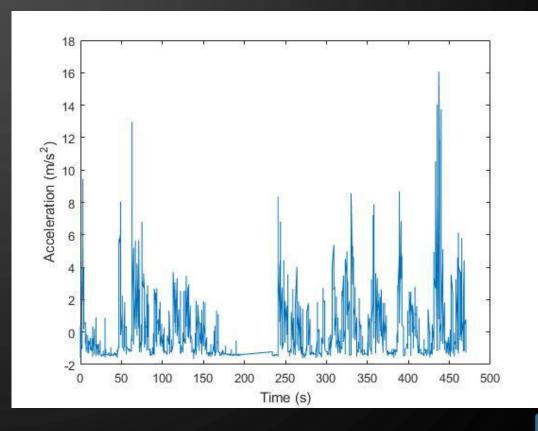


Angle data for lame sheep



SOUND SHEEP EXAMPLE



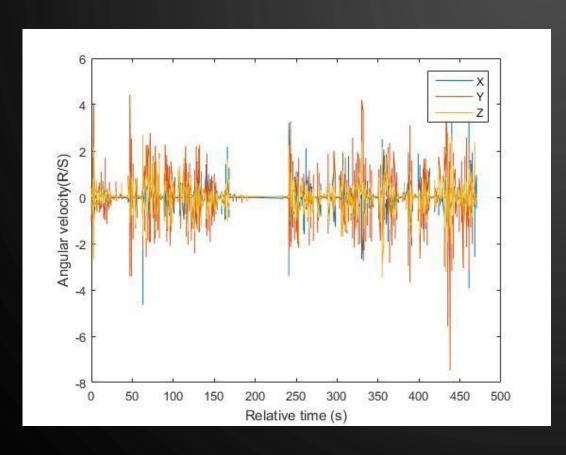


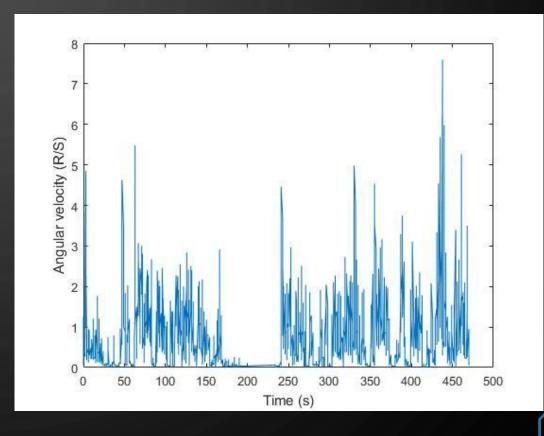
Acceleration data for sound sheep

Acceleration magnitude for sound sheep



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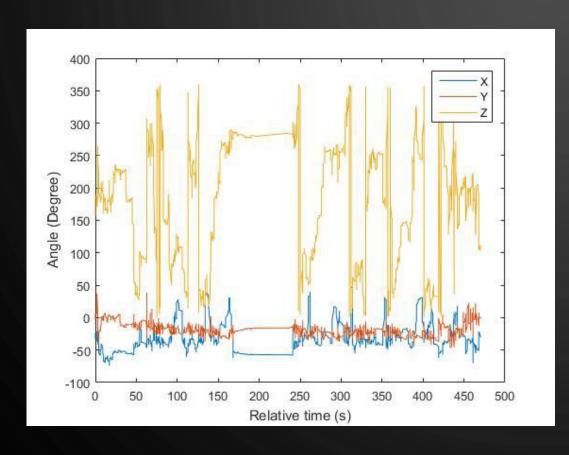


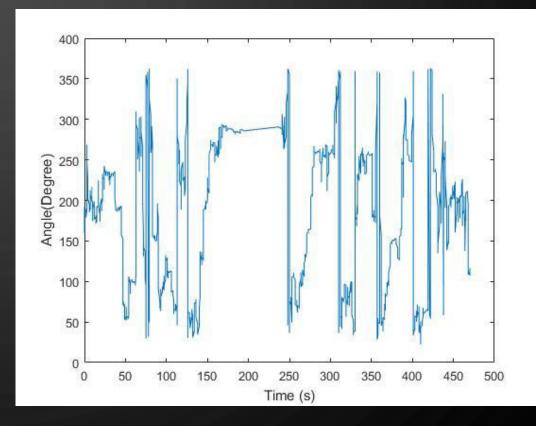


Gyroscope data for sound sheep



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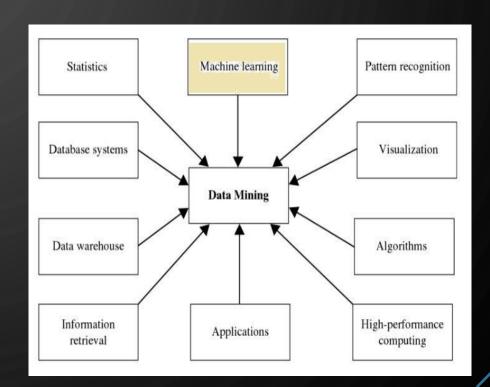


Angle data for sound sheep



DATA ANALYSIS

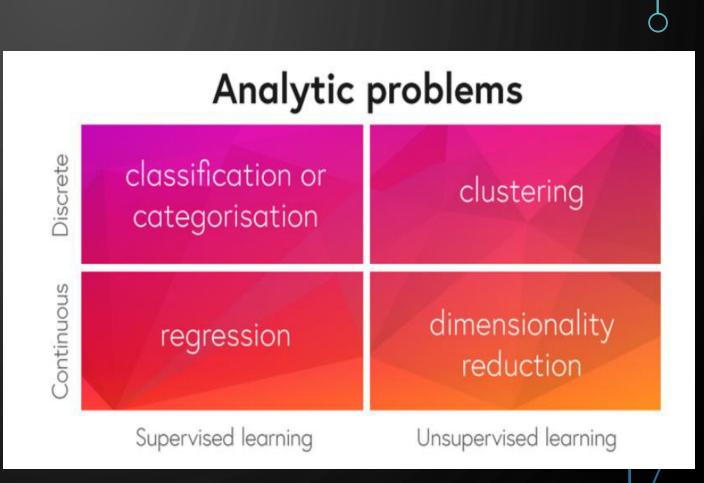
- Analysis of the data includes simple query and reporting, statistical analysis, more complex multidimensional analysis, and data mining.
- Data mining is the process of automatically retrieving useful information from huge data repository by predicting the results of future observations.
- Data mining incorporates with various techniques from different domains.





MACHINE LEARNING

- Machine Learning (ML) is a method of data analysis that automates analytical model building.
- ML investigate how the computers automatically learn from data to identify the output (class) based on the data attributes to predict an intelligent decision for unseen data.





RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Input data
(9 predictors)+ 2
classes (lame, sound)



Classifier



Trained model

New data
(9 predictors) with no
classes



Trained model

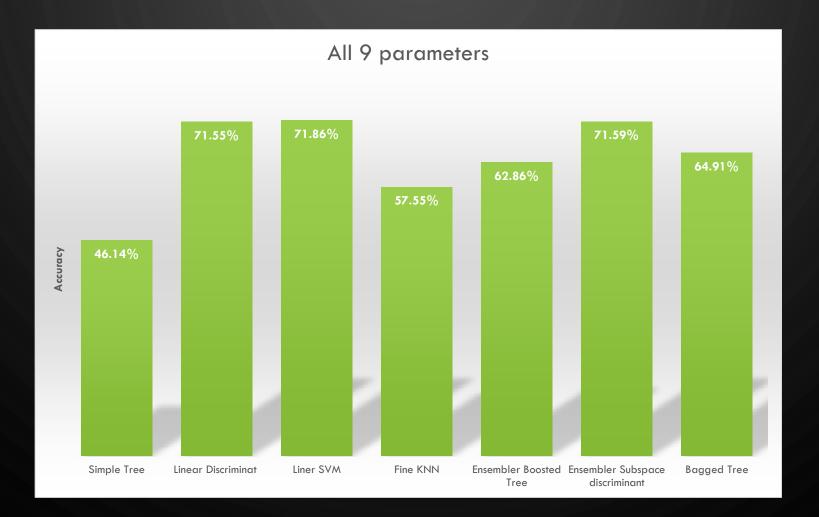


Predicted the classes



PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Preliminary results with Classifier





WHAT IS NEXT?

- Eliminate the variable data sensor that have less effect on making a decision (identify lameness class).
- Data preprocessing (normalization).
- Feature extraction (Apply window size scenario)
- Implementation:

The Sensor gives the lameness alarm

• The developed Algorithm will built in the sensor itself.

The Base Station gives the lameness alarm

 The develop algorithm will be in a remote base station (communication part may be need)



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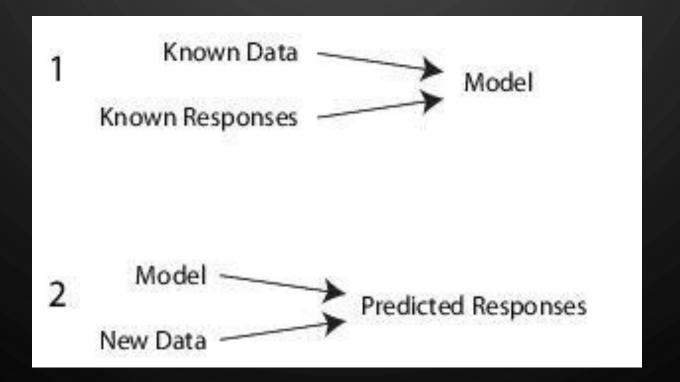
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CLASSIFICATION

• To predict the new classes in test data set based on the attributes of previously known classes in a training data set.





MATLAB CLASSIFIERS

Classifier	Prediction Speed	Memory Usage	Interpretability
Decision Trees	Fast	Small	Easy
Discriminant Analysis	Fast	Small for linear, large for quadratic	Easy
Support Vector Machines	Medium for linear. Slow for others.	Medium for linear. All others: medium for multiclass, large for binary.	Easy for Linear SVM. Hard for all other kernel types.
Nearest Neighbor Classifiers	Slow for cubic. Medium for others.	Medium	Hard
Ensemble Classifiers	Fast to medium depending on choice of algorithm	Low to high depending on choice of algorithm.	Hard

- Speed: fast 0.01 Sec, medium1 sec., slow 100 sec.
- Memory: small 1MB, medium 4MB, large 100 MB.