

Gait Analysis by Angular Step Mapping for Fall Risk Prevention Research

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Section 1: Overview:

The World Health Organization reports that falls are the second-leading cause of accidental death among senior adults around the world [1]. While individuals at any age can also fall, most are able to pick themselves up and move along with their days. A few of them have reached beyond age 60 and can face serious injuries even after only one fall.

Currently, a research team at William & Mary's Department of Kinesiology & Health Sciences attempts to recognize and correct aging-related factors that can result in falling. To meet this goal, that team has administered a battery of tests but wants to either improve or redesign those tests. Many of them have been videotaped to examine individual gait parameters of older subjects. Unfortunately, the team undergoes a slow, laborious process of analyzing video frame by video frame to measure step heights and angles without any way of automating this repetitive task.

Our team, namely the "Unstable Seniors", is a group of EPAD students whose mission is to develop a wireless, non-invasive product for the kinesiology team to improve and streamline the data derived from a gait analysis test. Our tasks included calibration, microcontroller circuiting and communications, CAD design, and time-series data processing. We want to use accelerometers strapped to the legs to quickly and wirelessly provide quantitative data on step height and total angular changes about a specific axis of a limb. Our collaboration with the Department of Kinesiology & Health Sciences is expected to inspire sports doctors, physical therapists, and other healthcare personnel to accurately and quantitatively describe how one walks.

This project was broken into two parts, initial technology down selection in the fall semester and prototyping in the spring. The prototyping phase was further broken into three phases in which we made significant steps toward a final product and then evaluated and made changes at the end of each. These phases are referred to in the prototyping subsection of the technical

specifications section below. In addition, each phase of prototyping involved some amount of hardware development, software development, and data processing. We have broken the prototyping subsection into three parts according to these three main components of the projects.

Section 2: Project Planning

In this section, we outline the general timeline and planning in the fall semester and then in the spring semester. This section is intended to outline the general timeline of the project rather than to give technical details about each element. We will delve further into the technical details in the following section entitled: “Technical Specifications.”

Subsection 2.1: Down Selection (Fall Semester):

During the fall, this project was broken into two phases. The first phase that took us to about the midpoint in the fall semester was our initial idea phase to come up with some options for products that might be useful to the health sciences gait analysis effort in their fall risk prevention research. In order to do this, we met with the health sciences team and watched an hour or so of data collection in its current form for them. We then researched different ways that the health sciences team’s gait test could be changed. Each of the four team members researched a topic and we came up with four initial ideas to consider. These included measuring hip abduction and adduction strength, step pressure mapping, gait mapping with IMU sensors [2], and gait mapping with computer vision. Each team member researched a single initial topic for the first few weeks of the project until mid-October when we made our initial down selection. Due to concerns about the ability to test hip adduction/abduction strength of seniors and the lack of viability shown in the step pressure sensing efforts, the team chose to pursue the two gait mapping related efforts for the remainder of the fall semester.

In this second phase of the fall segment of this project, we took our two remaining ideas and added a team member to each since two team members had their ideas down selected. In this second phase, Nate and Lee worked on gait mapping with IMU sensors and Martha and Colm (who was not working with the team during the spring) worked on using computer vision to measure step height. We remained working in these teams of two to show the initial viability of each of these two ideas until the last week of classes in December where we made our final down selection. At that point, we decided to pursue a product based on Bosch BNO055 inertial measurement unit sensors. At this point, we broke up a few tasks that could be worked on during the winter break. Nate took the lead on developing an initial model of a mounting system for the device, Martha and Colm agreed to work on some initial data processing scripts written in Python, and Lee took the lead on writing the software for the microcontroller controlling the BNO055 sensor.

Subsection 2.2: Prototyping (Pre-COVID-19):

With the beginning of the second semester came the switch towards wireless communication. Leading this charge was the ESP8266 wireless microcontroller. The chip features an onboard Wifi chip, which we can implement alongside a Raspberry Pi to create a closed system in which we can wirelessly take data and transmit back to the host device. By implementing an MQTT protocol to connect the Pi to an array of ESP devices, our wireless prototype took shape. The ESP device was able to seamlessly connect to our Raspberry Pi's Network, and we were able to transmit data from the BNO055 through the ESP chip and across the MQTT network; however, the chip is, at this point, still relying on wired power, and is not free from USB tethers for serial communication. This challenge leads to the next prototyping stage, which began with the move to off-campus development due to Covid-19.

Subsection 2.3: Prototyping (Post-COVID-19):

Upon our transition to remote instruction, we reduced the number of wireless microcontroller sensors to one. We were able to have the Raspberry Pi establish its own WiFi protocols to transmit data with one or more ESP32 devices. Running an MQTT Python script inside the Pi serves as a way to start and stop the quaternion data collection via the ESP32. This step leads to data communications between ESP32 and the Pi for the publication of CSV files containing quaternion coordinates and rotation angle changes. At this time, we had the option to post-process that information before we can restart device communications as we were using a single sensor. Future prototyping will be up to next year's cohort of EPAD students.

Section 3: Technical Specifications

In this section, we go into greater detail about the technical elements of our project. We begin with section 3.1 talking about the initial ideas for potential technologies and how we narrowed them to a final idea to pursue in prototyping. We then delve deeper into the prototyping phases and the individual components involved in that process.

Subsection 3.1: Down-Selection

In order to best satisfy the client's desire for improved data collection and analysis, several methods of automated testing were considered. Each test was designed to output quantitative data for nearly instantaneous analysis. These ideas will be discussed in-depth, as well as the review process for selecting a single procedure to produce data of interest to our client. In the following subsections, we discuss each of our initial potential technologies and discuss the reasons that they were eventually down selected.

Subsection 3.1.1: Initial Down Selection

Subsection 3.1.1.1: Hip Abduction/Adduction Strength

It has been shown that the strength of the hip abductor muscle groups is correlated with balance and support [3]. In order to test a subject's strength in this area, a sitting test was proposed in which a dynamometer would be used to the maximum torque a subject could produce from their hip abductors. From this data, a model could be created to illustrate the correlation between applied torque and force per unit length and propensity for falling accidents.

Subsection 3.1.1.2: GAITRite Data Decoding

The client also provided a GAITRite mat for potential use. This mat consists of a densely packed array of pressure sensors that are able to map a person's gait and the relative pressure on different locations of their feet during footfall. It was thought that this data might be captured from the proprietary system and used in further analysis. If possible, this data could be stored, and easily added to a model to predict falling accidents based on anomalies in gait patterns.

Subsection 3.1.1.3: Computer Vision

The main dataset that the client wishes to gather is on step height. The team has devised two potential methods for measuring this parameter. The first is a system utilizing small cameras mounted to the foot, followed by post-processing using computer vision to determine the step height using natural rulers in the foreground and background of the image. The use of computer vision algorithms would allow research teams to quickly gather qualitative data from existing video.

Subsection 3.1.1.4: Inertial Measurement Units

The second method for gathering step height data was devised by mounting an array of inertial measurement sensors along a subject's legs. By collecting a time series of angle

measurements along the quad, calf, and foot, a digital representation of a person's gait may be created, and by creating the right trigonometric model, a person's step height may be calculated at any point.

At the end of this initial down selection phase, the team narrowed its focus from four initial ideas down to two to pursue further. Firstly, while the research behind the hip abductor test points towards a good indication of stability, it was determined that the test would not prove applicable in the needed context. In order to accurately measure the correct muscle groups, the subject must be laying down; merely sitting in a chair would offer brace points, and the data collected would not accurately reflect the strength of the subject's hip abductors. The subject must be laying down to isolate the abductor muscle group, which is not feasible given the potential lack of mobility in the subjects. As such, this test was dropped in pursuit of better options. The GAITRite mat provided by the client also proved to be a difficult endeavor. The propriety program would not allow data extraction outside of the GAITRite environment, so the mat will have to remain outside of the developing tests.

Subsection 3.1.2: Final Down Selection

Finally, after exploring the possibility of using computer vision throughout the first half of the project timeline, potential pitfalls of the system became apparent. The system offered too much variation in background and camera mounting position, as well as physical limitations in size of camera and needed refresh rates and resolutions. It was simply too difficult to get usable footage, and accurately analyze footage consistently. Thus this idea, while offering the benefit of integrating with the existing dataset, was not feasible.

Our final system, relying on wireless sensor units transmitting spatial data to build a digital representation of one's gait, proved to be the most viable. The system uses small, coin-

sized sensors, and offers a non-invasive way to gather high-resolution data. The Inertial Measurement devices we chose, the BNO055, offers data stream at 20Hz, without output in Euler angles (3-dimensional representation of rotation around 3 orthogonal axis, with the z-axis directed through the Earth's center of gravity) and/or Quaternions (a system using 3 real axis and a fourth imaginary axis of rotation). In order to escape phenomena such as gimbal lock- the alignment of axes during rotation, and subsequent data loss, quaternions are chosen as measurement values. This also allows angle changes to be immediately calculated, as the dot product of 2 quaternions results in the half-angle rotation between them. This promising method of data-collection allowed the team to push forward with prototyping a wireless system to deliver real-time, accurate data for computational analysis.

Subsection 3.2: Prototyping

This section will be broken into three as there were three main components to the prototyping phase of our project. These are hardware development which includes, first, the mounting system and microcontroller chip selection. Second, software/firmware development which includes the code used to control the Raspberry Pi, the microcontroller + sensor configuration, and the data collection algorithm in general. Finally, data processing and analysis which includes the post processing and plotting of data once it had been taken. As mentioned in the project planning section, these were the lines across which we divided the workload during the prototyping section of the year.

Section 3.2.1: Hardware Development:

The first two iterations of the mounting system were designed to house a coin cell battery [4], an mBed NXP lcp1768 microcontroller [5], and the BNO055 [6] breakout board. These are shown below in figure 1.



Figure 1: Prototype mounting systems versions 1 and 2

The first iteration (version 1) features a self-locking mechanism where the top of the model slides on and twists to lock over the bottom. In theory, the BNO055 board would be stacked on top of the mBed microcontroller in the larger slot and the coin cell would slide into the smaller slot. This self-locking proved to be difficult to manufacture without significant post processing after printing and it was bulkier than necessary. The second iteration (version 2) locks with screws in threaded slots in the corners of the model and contains embedded slots for Velcro straps rather than extruded handles. It did, however, feature the same stacking layout of components. This proved to be more robust but the slots for Velcro straps proved difficult to 3D print and the stacking layout made it much taller than necessary leading to bouncing when in use.

We then moved on to the second phase of prototyping. In this phase we began looking at wireless data collection. We made the decision to move to a different mBed based microcontroller called an mBed MAX32630FTHR[7]. This microcontroller is designed to run on battery power, contains a port to plug in a rechargeable battery, and supports Bluetooth and BLE

communication making it an ideal choice for a wearable sensor configuration. After considerable work on the part of Lee and Dr. Cooke to try to make the mBed MAX32630FTHR chip function with BLE communication, we were forced to abandon the idea due to lack of functionality and time constraints. We were also able to fabricate another iteration of a mounting system as shown in figure 2 below. This version was configured to fit 2 coin cells in series in the circular slot, the mBed MAX32630FTHR, and the BNO055 board in different slots rather than stacked. This version is shorter and less subject to bounce as a person walks. It contains springs to hold batteries, sensor, and microcontroller more firmly in place. Finally, it contains outward slots for Velcro straps that are more feasible to produce and reuse than the inward, rounded slots on the previous model. The microcontroller and sensor are both shown in figure 5 mounted inside the model.

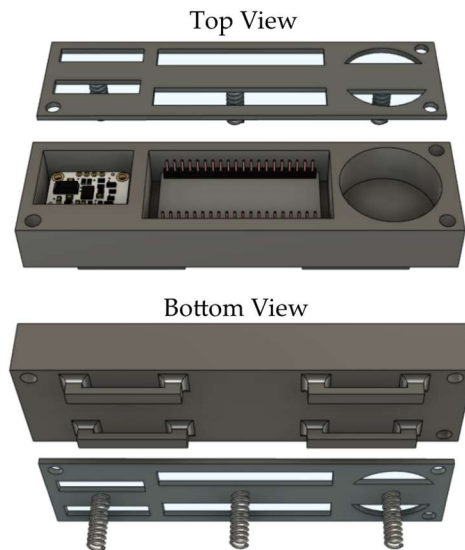


Figure 2: Prototype Mounting System Version 3.

In the third phase of prototyping, we switched our microcontroller to a Wifi based chip called an ESP8266 NodeMCU 12-E [8] and then later to an updated version of the same chip called an ESP32 DevKit 3C [9]. These were necessary to make wireless communication between

microcontroller and raspberry Pi function successfully. We also switched to a Lithium Polymer battery[10] after the first few tests at fully wireless data collection and learning that the coin cell circuit could not provide the necessary current to the microcontroller system. This is shown below in figure 3.



Figure 3: Lithium polymer battery, part number 1528-1841-ND on Digikey.com

This battery is shown in figure 14 along with its part number. To go along with these last hardware changes, we fabricated a final mounting system model as shown in figure 4. This model is shorter than the previous as it stacks the BNO055 board and the Lithium Polymer battery and has larger arms holding the Velcro straps in place than the previous model. This allows it to be both more robust than previous models as well as slightly smaller.



Figure 4: Final Mounting System.

Section 3.2.2: Software/Firmware Development:

In our first phase of prototyping, we worked with an mBed NXP lcp1768 microcontroller and the BNO055 breakout board. In this initial phase, the only code used was the firmware written to control the microcontroller. This consisted of the use of 4 libraries in an Arduino file and some base code to get sensor readings. The first of these libraries was `wire.h` which initializes I2C communication between the computer and the microcontroller. The second was `Adafruit_Sensor.h` which is adafruit's sensor driver library. This allows the program to communicate with the adafruit sensor. The third library was `Adafruit_BNO055.h` which contains functions specific to the initialization and use of the BNO055 chip that is embedded on the Adafruit breakout board we were using. Finally, we included `utility/imuMaths.h` which allows the Arduino script to understand the output of the BNO055 output.[11]

In the second phase of prototyping, not much changed on the software side as we were unable to get the wireless capabilities of the mBed MAX32630FTHR to function. In the third phase, however, we had to change the Arduino code dramatically to incorporate the Wifi communication. We chose to use MQTT broker/client protocols as our mode of Wifi based communication between the microcontroller and a Raspberry Pi 4 to do our data collection. MQTT communication works by configuring devices as clients all connected to the same network as each other and as the central broker. Clients have the capability to publish messages to a topic as well as to subscribe to topics and receive messages sent by other clients to those topics. When a message is published, it is sent first to the broker which determines the topic of the message and which clients should receive the message depending on the topic. In our case, we configured the ESP microcontroller as a client and the Raspberry Pi to broadcast a network

over which to communicate as well as acting as the broker and a client. This way, we can broadcast commands from the Pi to the ESP's wirelessly and receive data, also wirelessly, from the ESP on the Raspberry Pi. As far as the code we used, this first consisted of adding two libraries. These were Wifi.h to give us functions to control connection to a Wifi network and PubSubClient.h to control the MQTT protocols. A full flow chart of the code used on the ESP32 DevkitC is shown in the appendix. In addition to the microcontroller firmware, we also wrote a software script in python to control the MQTT protocols on the Raspberry Pi. In this script, we imported paho.mqtt.client [12] as a library for functions to control the MQTT protocols, numpy to do the give us array appending capabilities necessary for transporting data to CSV files, math in order to convert between data types, and CSV to give us read/write capabilities on CSV files. In the script itself, we have three main functions: on_message that deals with when a message is received, on_connect to handle when the pi connects to the MQTT broker, and on_log to print what's going on. The bulk of the code happens in on_message allowing us to use different messages being sent from the ESP32 to trigger protocols like adding data to a CSV file, converting data between data types, and plotting.

Section 3.2.3: Data Processing/Analysis

In our first phase of prototyping with the mBed NXP lcp1768 setup, we were able to take data relating to the angle change of the calf and thigh while walking and convert them to data regarding the height of the foot while walking. A plot of thigh and calf angles in degrees as well as the calculated step height data in centimeters is shown below in figure 5. The x-axis of all plots is a count of data points taken at approximately 100Hz.

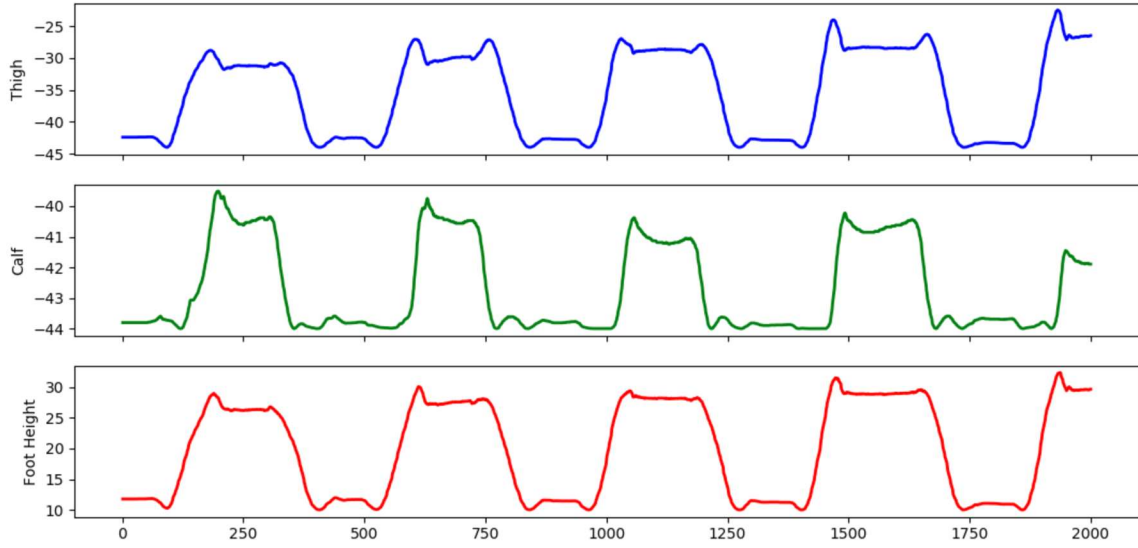


Figure 5: Initial step height measurements.

This step height data contained a relatively high level of uncertainty with errors in the centimeter range. This data for step height was calculated by measuring (by hand) the length of the thigh and calf and using the angle change of the thigh and the calf to measure the height that the foot has left the ground. This equation is shown in equation 1 where h is step height, T is the length of the thigh, and C is the length of the calf. A model of the step that this equation corresponds to is visually shown in figure 6 below where θ and φ refer to the angle change of the thigh and calf respectively.

$$\text{Equation 1: } h = T * \cos(\theta) + C * \cos(\varphi)$$

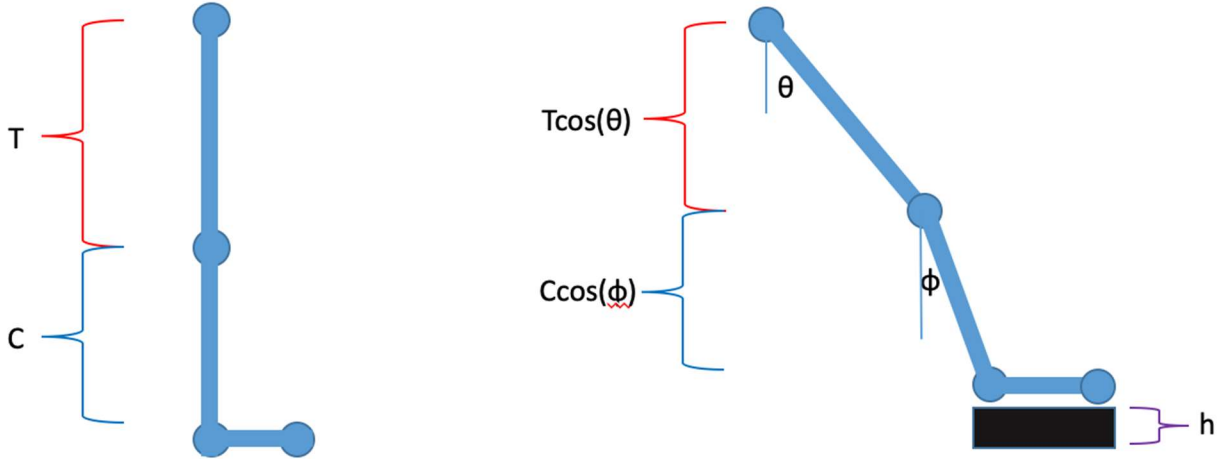


Figure 6: Model of initial step height motion.

In phase two of prototyping, in addition to switching to a wireless capable microcontroller, we also realized that our data had a large amount of error due to the effects of poor alignment and, in some cases, gimbal lock which occurs when two of the three degrees of freedom are driven into a parallel configuration. We made the decision to switch from measuring the Euler pitch to measuring quaternions. Quaternions measure linear motion in the x, y, and z axis as well as rotation w about an axis. By taking the dot product the initial quaternion and the inverse of the final quaternion, we can get the cosine of half of the angle between the two. If we then take the arccosine and multiply by 2, we can get the angle change about the axis of rotation between the two quaternions. This is shown in equation 2 below where Q is a quaternion consisting of w, x, y, and z coordinates.

$$Angle\ Chang = \cos^{-1}[2 * (Q_{initial} \cdot (-Q_{final}))] \quad \text{Equation 2}$$

This is also shown visually in the appendix in figure 7 of the 30° angle change between parent and child quaternions about the depicted axis. This measurement allows us to bypass the problem of missing some angle data that was picked up in roll and yaw instead of pitch due to misalignment of the sensor on the leg.

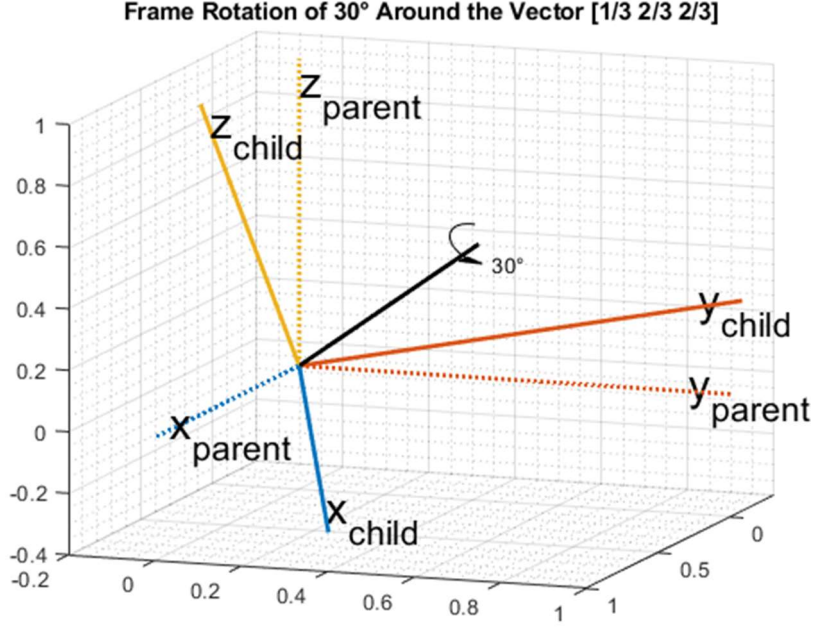


Figure 7: Quaternion coordinate visual representation.

Regarding data analysis in this final phase of prototyping, we collected the CSV files that resulted from the wireless communications between the Raspberry Pi and the microcontrollers. In addition, we wrote an additional Python script that can take in and plot the data with a library called Matplotlib. Note that the BNO device can report either the Euler angles or the quaternions. As 4-coordinate descriptions of the rotation angles and axis orientations, quaternions have been useful for directly measuring the net angle change about a specific axis. If we have two quaternions--one at time = 0 ($Q_1 = Q_0$) and one at any time ranging from 0 to 3000 ($Q_2 = Q_{[0-3000]}$)--we can take the dot product of the first and the inverse of the second (see Equation 2, Figure 8) to obtain the cosine of half of the net angle change between them. That is:

$$\cos\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) = Q_1 \cdot (-Q_2) = w_1w_2 + x_1x_2 + y_1y_2 + z_1z_2 \quad (\text{Equation 3})$$

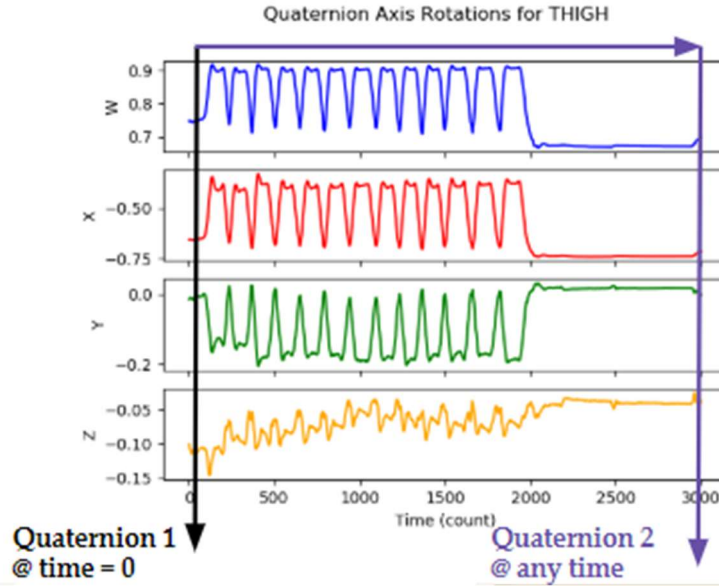


Figure 8: A visual way of finding and multiplying two quaternions over walking time

All of the quaternions are normalized so that $w^2 + x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$, where the angle between one orientation and itself is zero [13].

So far, the multiplication of two quaternions gives us the thigh and calf angles that change over the course of walking activity. Figure 9 displays such changes. Both plots not only are representative of the typical angles each part of the leg makes, but they also display the changes in one variable.

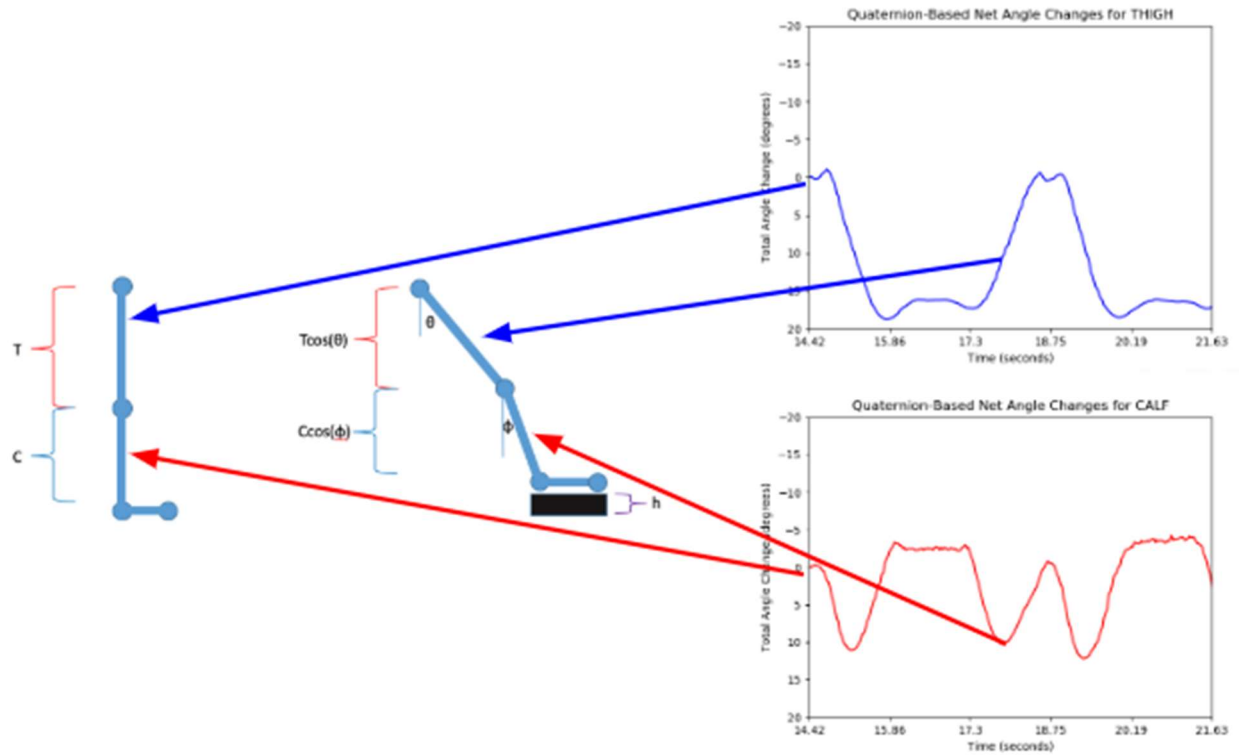


Figure 9: Quaternion-based net angle changes at the thigh (blue) and calf (red); 0 degrees signifies standing straight, other angles indicate walking movement.

Unlike Euler angles, the quaternions are simpler at measuring the rotation angles that we need to accurately calculate step height and other gait parameters.

Euler angles are representative of a rotation that is about one of the main Euler axes: roll (ϕ), pitch (θ), or yaw (ψ). As we focus mainly on the pitch, if that is the only angle changing dramatically at the calf, it can clearly demonstrate how much a limb can rotate, especially via the net angle change (see Figure 10 below).

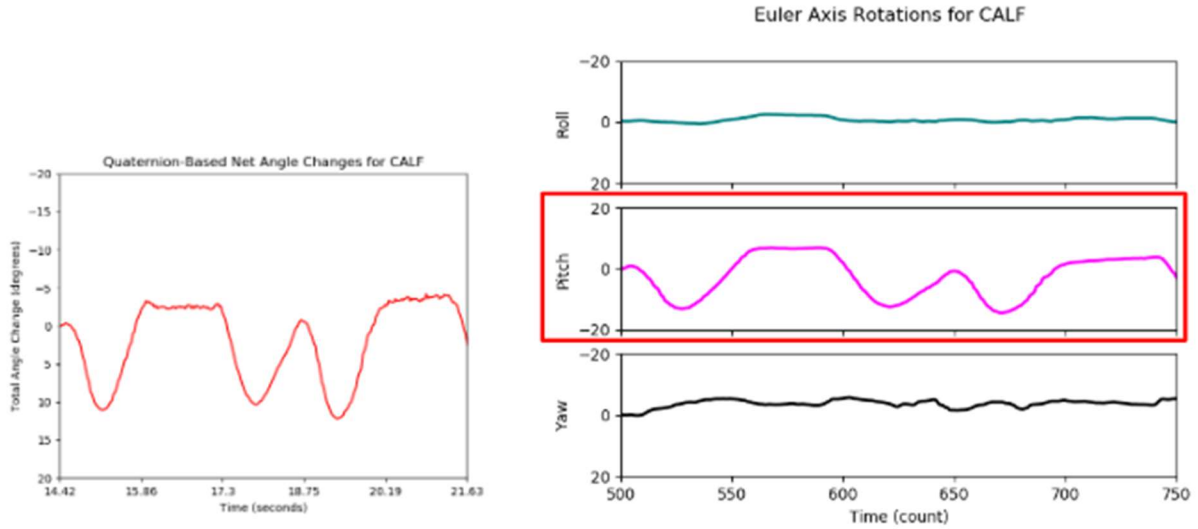


Figure 10: Our quaternion analysis can agree with the angle analysis when only the pitch (magenta) is changing significantly.

The roll and yaw angles do not make as much movement as the pitch is the primary axis that we rotate about. If we have both the pitch and roll changing significantly at the thigh (see Figure 11), we will need to combine those two Euler angles or even all three of them. We will encounter two challenges that come with Euler angles combinations.

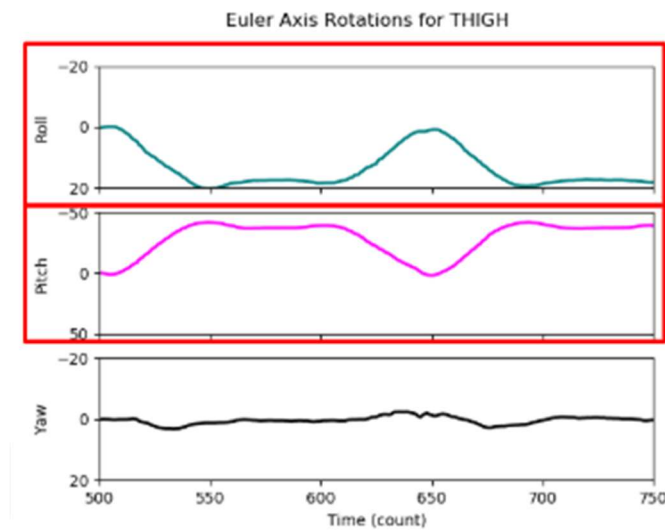


Figure 11: Our quaternion analysis can also agree with the angle analysis when two or more Euler angles changing significantly. A small flowchart is provided to understand how we could plot the total angle changes within a combined Euler angle (see Figure 12).

First, we must find the dot product of each rotation matrix per angle, and we must extract the Euler angle representations from the resulting rotation matrix.

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} &= R_z(\psi)R_y(\theta)R_x(\phi) \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi & -\sin \psi & 0 \\ \sin \psi & \cos \psi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ 0 & \sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \cos \psi & -\cos \phi \sin \psi + \sin \phi \sin \theta \cos \psi & \sin \phi \sin \psi + \cos \phi \sin \theta \cos \psi \\ \cos \theta \sin \psi & \cos \phi \cos \psi + \sin \phi \sin \theta \sin \psi & -\sin \phi \cos \psi + \cos \phi \sin \theta \sin \psi \\ -\sin \theta & \sin \phi \cos \theta & \cos \phi \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Equation 4})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\varphi_R = \arctan2(R_{32}, R_{33}) \quad (\text{Equation 5})$$

$$\theta_R = \arcsin(R_{13}) \quad (\text{Equation 6})$$

$$\psi_R = \arctan2(R_{21}, R_{11}) \quad (\text{Equation 7})$$

$$\arctan2(y, x) =$$

$$\arctan(y/x), \text{ if } x > 0 \quad (\text{Equation 8})$$

$$= \arctan(y/x) + \pi, \text{ if } x < 0, y \geq 0$$

$$= \arctan(y/x) - \pi, \text{ if } x < 0, y < 0$$

$$= +\pi/2, \text{ if } x = 0, y > 0$$

$$= -\pi/2, \text{ if } x = 0, y < 0$$

$$= \text{undefined}, \text{ if } x = 0, y = 0$$

Second, if we let combined rotation angle $\alpha_R = R_z(\psi)R_y(\theta)R_x(\varphi)$ and unit vector \hat{r} be the axis about which the rotation occurs, we will need to use $\cos(\frac{\alpha_R}{2}), \sin(\frac{\alpha_R}{2})\hat{r}$ to calculate all four coordinates of each quaternion. Theoretically,

$$\underline{q} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} w \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)\sin\theta\cos\phi \\ \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)\sin\theta\sin\phi \\ \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)\cos\theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)\hat{\mathbf{r}} \end{pmatrix}$$

(Equation 9)

For the purpose of this project, however, we calculated them in a way that allows us to produce the quaternions that are similar to those produced by the BNO device. Hence, for the quaternion of combined rotation angle $Q_R = [w_R, x_R, y_R, z_R]$,

$$w_R = \cos\left(\frac{\alpha_R}{2}\right) \quad (\text{Equation 10})$$

$$x_R = \sin\left(\frac{\alpha_R}{2}\right)\sin(90)\cos(180) \quad (\text{Equation 11})$$

$$y_R = 0.01 * \left(\frac{y}{2}\right) * \cos\left(\frac{y}{2\sin\left(\frac{\alpha_R}{2}\right)}\right) \quad (\text{Equation 12})$$

$$z_R = 0.01 * \left(\frac{z}{2}\right) * \cos\left(\frac{z}{2\sin\left(\frac{\alpha_R}{2}\right)}\right) \quad (\text{Equation 13})$$

Figure 12 compares two plots with quaternion-based and Euler-based net angle changes between two quaternions. If we look closer at the slight changes in the plot for the angular changes between quaternions of a combined Euler angle, we can argue that that plot is a result of the complicated math that we can avoid if the BNO quaternions are better at measuring angle

change. It is imperative to know this concept because we are rotating the initial axis of a limb with the possibility of gimbal lock and other axes rotating. We would then have to waste time doing the math to determine the most useful results for the net angle change.

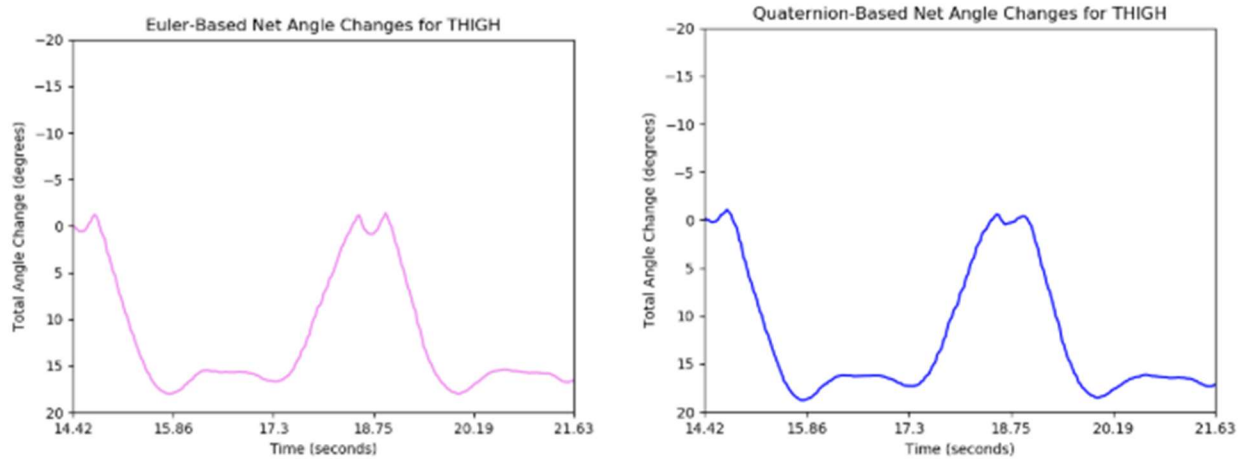


Figure 12: A comparison between the Euler-based (violet) and quaternion-based (blue) net angle changes.

The last task to complete under data processing is to obtain the total angle change applied to a leg being lifted upward while the subject is sitting. This is based on the wireless quaternion data from a single sensor device. Imagine sitting with a leg resting at 90 degrees; if we choose to raise the lower part of the leg below the knee, we can typically say that our leg becomes horizontal at 180 degrees. We can then visualize this change of up to 90 degrees when we calculate the dot products of quaternions (see Figure 13).

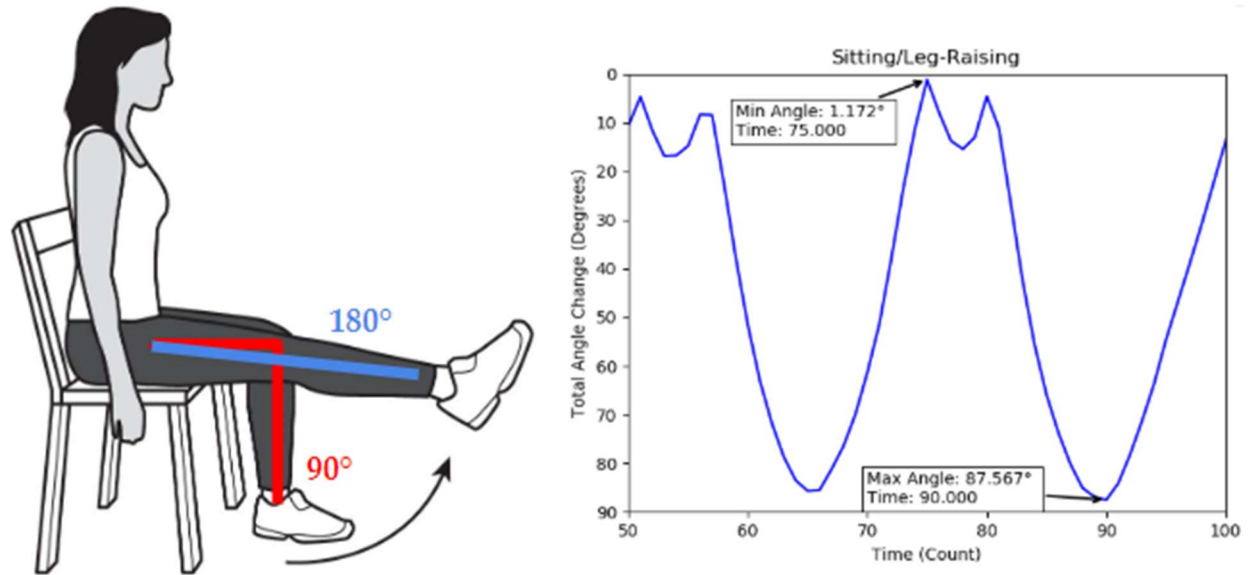


Figure 13: Net angle changes at the raising leg during a sitting session.

To explain the smaller dips at time counts 50-60 and 70-80, the leg appears to be swinging at smaller angles as a warmup between two complete cycles of leg-raising activity. If we confirm that the leg in a sitting position can change angles from 90 to 180 degrees, then we should stress that quaternions are simple enough to describe the rotations that usually occur in leg movements.

Section 4: Looking Forward

Due to time constraints and the necessity to work remotely for the last month or so of the project, we were not able to deliver a finished and functioning product. Because of that, we would like to take this section to outline the steps that we would have taken had we not been time-constrained. In addition, as there is another group working on this effort for the 2020-2021 academic year, we hope to give them a sense of our thoughts on how to best complete the project.

The first major component that we ran out of time completing is integrating multiple sensors using MQTT Wifi communication between the Raspberry Pi and the ESP32 microcontroller. This process includes modifying both the ESP32 code and the MQTT python

script slightly in order to identify which sensor configuration each set of coordinates that is sent to the Pi is coming from. Our idea for this was to publish coordinates from each ESP to a topic labeled with that ESP's location, for example: "Left Calf." This way the data can be saved and manipulated for each leg segment and then combined later for step height calculations. The important component when integrating multiple sensors and microcontrollers into the system is to ensure that all microcontrollers are subscribed to the "cmd" topic in order for synchronization of starting and stopping data collection.

The second major component that we were unable to complete was an automated calibration step that allowed the system to calculate the length of a subject's calf and thigh leg segments from a step. Our method for this was to have a specific routine outlined on the microcontroller that takes quaternion data and measures the angle change when a subject steps onto a block of known height and distance from the leg's starting position. We can then use the angle change information to calculate the length of the calf and thigh leg segments. A model of this calibration step is shown below in figure 14 where h is the known height of the block and d is the known distance from the leg's starting position. In addition, the equations for C and T are shown in equations 3 and 4.

$$C = \frac{\left(\frac{d}{\sin(\theta)} - \frac{h}{1 - \cos(\theta)}\right)}{\left[\left(\frac{\cos(\varphi) - 1}{1 - \cos(\theta)}\right) + \left(\frac{\sin(\varphi)}{\sin(\theta)}\right)\right]} \quad \text{Equation 3}$$

$$T = \frac{d - C \sin(\varphi)}{\sin(\theta)} \quad \text{Equation 4}$$

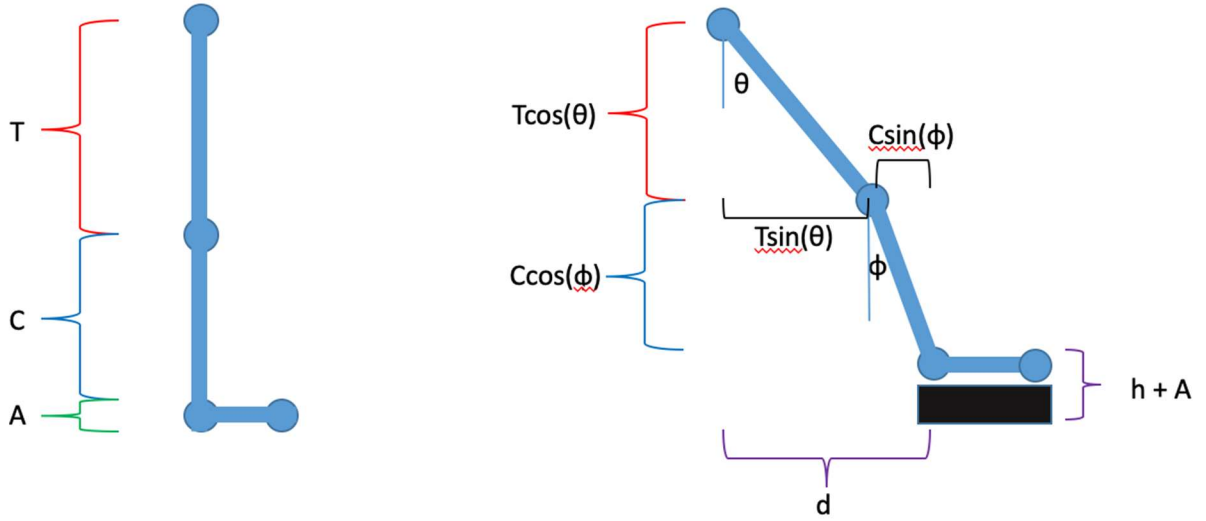


Figure 14: Calibration step model.

Once the system is calibrated and T and C are known, we can use them to determine step height by subtracting $T \cos(\theta)$ and $C \cos(\phi)$ from $T + C$ giving us h at every point in the dataset where angle change is measured against the starting position. The final state of this data analysis that we believe is most valuable to the health sciences effort is to look at the maximum step height when the foot is parallel to the floor and present those values as individual step height measurements for each step in a walk. This can be determined using a third sensor on the foot to determine when the foot flex has near-zero angle change relative to the starting position.

Appendix:

Code A: DebugSubroutinesTeamUS.py

```
1  # Lee Bradley, Martha Gizaw, Nate Winneg
2  # Engineering Physics Capstone Project
3  # Unstable Seniors: Data Processing
4  # May 2020
5
6  # Import the following libraries.
7  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
8  import numpy as np
9  import csv
10 import math
11
12 class PlotThigh:
13     # PURPOSE: Plot the total angle change about the axis of the thigh.
14
15     # Initialize the Euler and quaternion CSV input variables as empty arrays.
16     def __init__(self, xThighRoll = [], yThighRoll = [], xThighPitch = [],
17                  yThighPitch = [], xThighYaw = [], yThighYaw = [],
18                  xThighW = [], yThighW = [], xThighX = [], yThighX = [],
19                  xThighY = [], yThighY = [], xThighZ = [], yThighZ = [],
20                  changeThigh = []):
21         # Euler angles
22         self.xThighRoll = xThighRoll
23         self.yThighRoll = yThighRoll
24         self.xThighPitch = xThighPitch
25         self.yThighPitch = yThighPitch
26         self.xThighYaw = xThighYaw
27         self.yThighYaw = yThighYaw
28
29         # W, X, Y, and Z coordinates in a quaternion
30         self.xThighW = xThighW
31         self.yThighW = yThighW
32         self.xThighX = xThighX
33         self.yThighX = yThighX
34         self.xThighY = xThighY
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35         self.yThighY = yThighY
36         self.xThighZ = xThighZ
37         self.yThighZ = yThighZ
38
39         # For finding the net angles changes about the limb's axis
40         self.changeThigh = changeThigh
41
42     # Execute the CSV readers, and append the data to the appropriate arrays
43     # for each Euler angle to be plotted.
44     # For presentation purposes, set the Euler angles
45     # to zero at the initial time of the user selected interval, where we can describe
46     # the events of a single cycle of leg motion (eg, walking, sitting, etc.)
47     def euler_angle_thigh(self, xThighRoll, yThighRoll, xThighPitch, yThighPitch,
48                           xThighYaw, yThighYaw):
49         figThigh, axsThigh = plt.subplots(3, sharex = True, sharey = False)
50         figThigh.suptitle('Euler Axis Rotations for THIGH')
51
52         with open('angles_thigh_roll2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
53             plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
54             for row in plots:
55                 xThighRoll.append(float(row[0]))
56                 yThighRoll.append(float(row[1]))
57             setRoll2Zero = []
58             for t in range(0, len(xThighRoll)):
59                 setRoll2Zero.append(yThighRoll[t]-yThighRoll[500])
60             axsThigh[0].plot(xThighRoll, setRoll2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='teal')
61             axsThigh[0].set_xlabel='', ylabel='Roll')
62             axsThigh[0].set_xlim(500, 750)
63             axsThigh[0].set_ylim(20, -20)
64
65         with open('angles_thigh_pitch2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
66             plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
67             for row in plots:
68                 xThighPitch.append(float(row[0]))
69                 yThighPitch.append(float(row[1]))
70             setPitch2Zero = []
71             for t in range(0, len(xThighPitch)):
72                 setPitch2Zero.append(yThighPitch[t]-yThighPitch[500])
73             axsThigh[1].plot(xThighPitch, setPitch2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='magenta')
74             axsThigh[1].set_xlabel='', ylabel='Pitch')
75             axsThigh[1].set_xlim(500, 750)
76             axsThigh[1].set_ylim(50, -50)
77
78         with open('angles_thigh_yaw2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
79             plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
80             for row in plots:
81                 xThighYaw.append(float(row[0]))
82                 yThighYaw.append(float(row[1]))
83             setYaw2Zero = []
84             for t in range(0, len(xThighYaw)):
85                 setYaw2Zero.append(yThighYaw[t]-yThighYaw[500])
86             axsThigh[2].plot(xThighYaw, setYaw2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='black')
87             axsThigh[2].set_xlabel='', ylabel='Yaw')
88             axsThigh[2].set_xlim(500, 750)
89             axsThigh[2].set_ylim(20, -20)
90
91         # Optional!
92         # figThigh.show()
93
94     # Execute the CSV readers, and append the data to the appropriate arrays
95     # for each quaternion to be plotted.
96     def quaternion_thigh(self, xThighW, yThighW, xThighX, yThighX, xThighY,
97                           yThighY, xThighZ, yThighZ):
98         figQuats, axsQuats = plt.subplots(4, sharex = True, sharey = False)
99         figQuats.suptitle('Quaternion Axis Rotations for THIGH')
100
101         with open('angles_thigh_W2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:

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101         plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
102         for row in plots:
103             xThighW.append(float(row[0]))
104             yThighW.append(float(row[1]))
105         axesQuats[0].plot(xThighW, yThighW, color='blue')
106         axesQuats[0].set_xlabel='', ylabel='W')
107         axesQuats[0].set_xlim(500, 750)
108
109         with open('angles_thigh_X2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
110             plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
111             for row in plots:
112                 xThighX.append(float(row[0]))
113                 yThighX.append(float(row[1]))
114             axesQuats[1].plot(xThighX, yThighX, color='red')
115             axesQuats[1].set_xlabel='', ylabel='X')
116             axesQuats[1].set_xlim(500, 750)
117
118         with open('angles_thigh_Y2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
119             plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
120             for row in plots:
121                 xThighY.append(float(row[0]))
122                 yThighY.append(float(row[1]))
123             axesQuats[2].plot(xThighY, yThighY, color='green')
124             axesQuats[2].set_xlabel='', ylabel='Y')
125             axesQuats[2].set_xlim(500, 750)
126
127         with open('angles_thigh_Z2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
128             plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
129             for row in plots:
130                 xThighZ.append(float(row[0]))
131                 yThighZ.append(float(row[1]))
132             axesQuats[3].plot(xThighZ, yThighZ, color='orange')
133             axesQuats[3].set_xlabel='Time (count)', ylabel='Z')
134             axesQuats[3].set_xlim(500, 750)
135
136         # Optional!
137         # figQuats.show()
138
139         # Calculate 2 times the inverse cosine
140         # of the dot product between two quaternions, and convert the net angle
141         # change to degrees. Show the plots!
142         def dot_product_thigh(self, xThighW, yThighW, xThighX, yThighX, xThighY,
143                               yThighY, xThighZ, yThighZ, changeThigh):
144             oneRad2Degrees = 57.296
145             changeThighFix = []
146             for t1 in range(0, len(xThighW)):
147                 changeThigh.append(np.arccos(np.minimum(1, yThighW[0]*yThighW[t1] +
148                                                         yThighX[0]*yThighX[t1] +
149                                                         yThighY[0]*yThighY[t1] +
150                                                         yThighZ[0]*yThighZ[t1]))*(180/np.pi)-(oneRad2D
151                                                         egress/2))
152
153             for t2 in range(0, len(xThighW)):
154                 changeThighFix.append(changeThigh[t2]-changeThigh[500])
155
156             fig, axes = plt.subplots()
157             axes.set_title('Quaternion-Based Net Angle Changes for THIGH')
158             axes.plot(changeThighFix, color='blue')
159             axes.set_xlim(500, 750)
160             axes.set_ylim(-20, 20)
161             axes.set_xlabel='Time (seconds)', ylabel='Total Angle Change (degrees)')
162             axes.invert_yaxis()
163             positions = (500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750)
164             labels = (14.42, 15.86, 17.30, 18.75, 20.19, 21.63)
165             plt.xticks(positions, labels)
166             fig.show()

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166
167 # Combine the Euler angles when more than one are changing significantly.
168 def euler_combo_thigh(self, xThighRoll, yThighRoll, yThighPitch, yThighYaw,
169                       yThighY, yThighZ):
170
171     # Initialize the following variables for Euler-based net angle changes.
172     theta_array = []
173     R = []
174
175     combinedEulerX = []
176     combinedEulerY = []
177     combinedEulerZ = []
178
179     combinedNetAngle = []
180     undoCombinedCos = []
181     undoCombinedSin = []
182
183     combinedQuatW = []
184     combinedQuatX = []
185     combinedQuatY = []
186     combinedQuatZ = []
187
188     rebuildCombined = []
189     rebuildCombinedFix = []
190
191     # Convert the original Euler angles into rotation matrices to be all
192     # multiplied.
193     for t3 in range(0, len(xThighRoll)):
194         theta = [yThighRoll[t3] * (np.pi/180), yThighPitch[t3] * (np.pi/180),
195                 yThighYaw[t3] * (np.pi/180)]
196         theta_array.append(theta)
197
198         R_x = np.array([[1, 0, 0],
199                        [0, math.cos(theta[0]), -math.sin(theta[0])],
200                        [0, math.sin(theta[0]), math.cos(theta[0])]])
201
202
203
204         R_y = np.array([[math.cos(theta[1]), 0, math.sin(theta[1])],
205                        [0, 1, 0],
206                        [-math.sin(theta[1]), 0, math.cos(theta[1])]])
207
208
209         R_z = np.array([[math.cos(theta[2]), -math.sin(theta[2]), 0],
210                        [math.sin(theta[2]), math.cos(theta[2]), 0],
211                        [0, 0, 1]])
212
213
214         R.append(np.dot(R_x, np.dot(R_y, R_z)))
215
216     # Report the new Euler rotations about their axes from the resultant
217     # rotation matrix.
218     combinedEulerX.append(math.atan2(R[t3][2,1], R[t3][2,2]))
219     combinedEulerY.append(math.asin(R[t3][0,2]))
220     combinedEulerZ.append(math.atan2(R[t3][1,0], R[t3][0,0]))
221
222     # Obtain the cosine and sin of half of one of the new Euler rotations.
223     combinedNetAngle.append(combinedEulerY[t3] * (180/np.pi))
224     undoCombinedCos.append(np.cos(combinedNetAngle[t3] * (np.pi/360)))
225     undoCombinedSin.append(np.sin(combinedNetAngle[t3] * (np.pi/360)))
226
227     # Compute all 4 quaternion coordinates.
228     combinedQuatW.append(undoCombinedCos[t3])
229     combinedQuatX.append(undoCombinedSin[t3] * np.sin(0.5*np.pi) * np.cos(np.pi))
230     combinedQuatY.append(0.01 * (yThighY[t3] / 2) *

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231     np.cos(yThighY[t3]/(undoCombinedSin[t3])))
232     combinedQuatZ.append(0.01 * (yThighZ[t3] / 2) *
233     np.cos(yThighZ[t3]/(undoCombinedSin[t3])))
234
235     # Use the coordinates above to find the combined-Euler based net angle
236     change.
237     rebuildCombined.append(np.arccos(np.minimum(1,
238     combinedQuatW[0]*combinedQuatW[t3] +
239     combinedQuatX[0]*combinedQuatX[t3] +
240     combinedQuatY[0]*combinedQuatY[t3] +
241     combinedQuatZ[0]*combinedQuatZ[t3])) * (180/np.pi))
242
243     # Set the net angle change to zero at the beginning of the plot interval.
244     for t4 in range(0, len(xThighRoll)):
245         rebuildCombinedFix.append(rebuildCombined[t4]-rebuildCombined[500])
246
247     # Show the plots!
248     fig, axs = plt.subplots()
249     axs.set_title('Euler-Based Net Angle Changes for THIGH')
250     axs.plot(rebuildCombinedFix, color='violet')
251     axs.set_xlim(500, 750)
252     axs.set_ylim(-20, 20)
253     axs.set_xlabel('Time (seconds)', ylabel='Total Angle Change (degrees)')
254     axs.invert_yaxis()
255     positions = (500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750)
256     labels = (14.42, 15.86, 17.30, 18.75, 20.19, 21.63)
257     plt.xticks(positions, labels)
258     fig.show()
259
260 class PlotCalf:
261     # PURPOSE: Plot the total angle change about the axis of the calf.
262
263     def __init__(self, xCalfRoll = [], yCalfRoll = [], xCalfPitch = [],
264     yCalfPitch = [], xCalfYaw = [], yCalfYaw = [],
265     xCalfW = [], yCalfW = [], xCalfX = [], yCalfX = [],
266     xCalfY = [], yCalfY = [], xCalfZ = [], yCalfZ = [],
267     changeCalf = []):
268         self.xCalfRoll = xCalfRoll
269         self.yCalfRoll = yCalfRoll
270         self.xCalfPitch = xCalfPitch
271         self.yCalfPitch = yCalfPitch
272         self.xCalfYaw = xCalfYaw
273         self.yCalfYaw = yCalfYaw
274
275         self.xCalfW = xCalfW
276         self.yCalfW = yCalfW
277         self.xCalfX = xCalfX
278         self.yCalfX = yCalfX
279         self.xCalfY = xCalfY
280         self.yCalfY = yCalfY
281         self.xCalfZ = xCalfZ
282         self.yCalfZ = yCalfZ
283
284         self.changeCalf = changeCalf
285
286     def euler_angle_calf(self, xCalfRoll, yCalfRoll, xCalfPitch, yCalfPitch, xCalfYaw,
287     yCalfYaw):
288         figCalf, axsCalf = plt.subplots(3, sharex = True, sharey = False)
289         figCalf.suptitle('Euler Axis Rotations for CALF')
290
291         with open('angles_calf_roll2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
292             plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
293             for row in plots:
294                 xCalfRoll.append(float(row[0]))
295                 yCalfRoll.append(float(row[1]))
296
297         setRoll2Zero = []
298         for t in range(0, len(xCalfRoll)):
299             setRoll2Zero.append(yCalfRoll[t]-yCalfRoll[500])

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295     axsCalf[0].plot(xCalfRoll, setRoll2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='teal')
296     axsCalf[0].set(xlabel='', ylabel='Roll')
297     axsCalf[0].set_xlim(500, 750)
298     axsCalf[0].set_ylim(20, -20)
299
300     with open('angles_calf_pitch2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
301         plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
302         for row in plots:
303             xCalfPitch.append(float(row[0]))
304             yCalfPitch.append(float(row[1]))
305     setPitch2Zero = []
306     for t in range(0, len(xCalfPitch)):
307         setPitch2Zero.append(yCalfPitch[t]-yCalfPitch[500])
308     axsCalf[1].plot(xCalfPitch, setPitch2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='magenta')
309     axsCalf[1].set(xlabel='', ylabel='Pitch')
310     axsCalf[1].set_xlim(500, 750)
311     axsCalf[1].set_ylim(50, -50)
312
313     with open('angles_calf_yaw2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
314         plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
315         for row in plots:
316             xCalfYaw.append(float(row[0]))
317             yCalfYaw.append(float(row[1]))
318     setYaw2Zero = []
319     for t in range(0, len(xCalfYaw)):
320         setYaw2Zero.append(yCalfYaw[t]-yCalfYaw[500])
321     axsCalf[2].plot(xCalfYaw, setYaw2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='black')
322     axsCalf[2].set(xlabel='', ylabel='Yaw')
323     axsCalf[2].set_xlim(500, 750)
324     axsCalf[2].set_ylim(20, -20)
325
326     # Optional!
327     # figCalf.show()
328
329     def quaternion_calf(self, xCalfW, yCalfW, xCalfX, yCalfX, xCalfY,
330                          yCalfY, xCalfZ, yCalfZ):
331         figQuats, axsQuats = plt.subplots(4, sharex = True, sharey = False)
332         figQuats.suptitle('Quaternion Axis Rotations for CALF')
333
334         with open('angles_calf_W2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
335             plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
336             for row in plots:
337                 xCalfW.append(float(row[0]))
338                 yCalfW.append(float(row[1]))
339             axsQuats[0].plot(xCalfW, yCalfW, color='blue')
340             axsQuats[0].set(xlabel='', ylabel='W')
341             axsQuats[0].set_xlim(500, 750)
342
343         with open('angles_calf_X2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
344             plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
345             for row in plots:
346                 xCalfX.append(float(row[0]))
347                 yCalfX.append(float(row[1]))
348             axsQuats[1].plot(xCalfX, yCalfX, color='red')
349             axsQuats[1].set(xlabel='', ylabel='X')
350             axsQuats[1].set_xlim(500, 750)
351
352         with open('angles_calf_Y2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
353             plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
354             for row in plots:
355                 xCalfY.append(float(row[0]))
356                 yCalfY.append(float(row[1]))
357             axsQuats[2].plot(xCalfY, yCalfY, color='green')
358             axsQuats[2].set(xlabel='', ylabel='Y')
359             axsQuats[2].set_xlim(500, 750)
360
361         with open('angles_calf_Z2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:

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362         plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
363         for row in plots:
364             xCalfZ.append(float(row[0]))
365             yCalfZ.append(float(row[1]))
366         axsQuats[3].plot(xCalfZ, yCalfZ, color='orange')
367         axsQuats[3].set(xlabel='Time (count)', ylabel='Z')
368         axsQuats[3].set_xlim(500, 750)
369
370         # Optional!
371         # figQuats.show()
372
373     def dot_product_calf(self, xCalfW, yCalfW, xCalfX, yCalfX, xCalfY,
374                          yCalfY, xCalfZ, yCalfZ, changeCalf):
375         oneRad2Degrees = 57.296
376         changeCalfFix = []
377         for t1 in range(0, len(xCalfW)):
378             changeCalf.append(np.arccos(np.minimum(1, yCalfW[0]*yCalfW[t1] +
379                                                    yCalfX[0]*yCalfX[t1] +
380                                                    yCalfY[0]*yCalfY[t1] +
381                                                    yCalfZ[0]*yCalfZ[t1]))*(180/np.pi)-(oneRad2Degrees/2))
382
383         for t2 in range(0, len(xCalfW)):
384             changeCalfFix.append(changeCalf[t2]-changeCalf[500])
385
386         fig, axs = plt.subplots()
387         axs.set_title('Quaternion-Based Net Angle Changes for CALF')
388         axs.plot(changeCalfFix, color='blue')
389         axs.set_xlim(500, 750)
390         axs.set_ylim(-20, 20)
391         axs.set(xlabel='Time (seconds)', ylabel='Total Angle Change (degrees)')
392         axs.invert_yaxis()
393
394         positions = (500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750)
395         labels = (14.42, 15.86, 17.30, 18.75, 20.19, 21.63)
396         plt.xticks(positions, labels)
397         fig.show()
398
399     def euler_combo_calf(self, xCalfRoll, yCalfRoll, yCalfPitch, yCalfYaw,
400                          yCalfY, yCalfZ):
401         theta_array = []
402         R = []
403
404         combinedEulerX = []
405         combinedEulerY = []
406         combinedEulerZ = []
407
408         combinedNetAngle = []
409         undoCombinedCos = []
410         undoCombinedSin = []
411
412         combinedQuatW = []
413         combinedQuatX = []
414         combinedQuatY = []
415         combinedQuatZ = []
416
417         rebuildCombined = []
418         rebuildCombinedFix = []
419
420         for t3 in range(0, len(xCalfRoll)):
421             theta = [yCalfRoll[t3] * (np.pi/180), yCalfPitch[t3] * (np.pi/180),
422                    yCalfYaw[t3] * (np.pi/180)]
423             theta_array.append(theta)
424
425             R_x = np.array([[1, 0, 0],
426                            [0, math.cos(theta[0]), -math.sin(theta[0])],
427                            [0, math.sin(theta[0]), math.cos(theta[0])]])

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426         ])
427
428
429
430     R_y = np.array([[math.cos(theta[1]),    0,    math.sin(theta[1]) ],
431                    [0,                      1,    0                    ],
432                    [-math.sin(theta[1]),    0,    math.cos(theta[1]) ]
433                    ])
434
435     R_z = np.array([[math.cos(theta[2]),    -math.sin(theta[2]),    0],
436                    [math.sin(theta[2]),    math.cos(theta[2]),    0],
437                    [0,                      0,                      1]
438                    ])
439
440     R.append(np.dot(R_x, np.dot(R_y, R_z)))
441
442     combinedEulerX.append(math.atan2(R[t3][2,1], R[t3][2,2]))
443     combinedEulerY.append(math.asin(R[t3][0,2]))
444     combinedEulerZ.append(math.atan2(R[t3][1,0], R[t3][0,0]))
445
446     combinedNetAngle.append(combinedEulerY[t3] * (180/np.pi))
447     undoCombinedCos.append(np.cos(combinedNetAngle[t3] * (np.pi/360)))
448     undoCombinedSin.append(np.sin(combinedNetAngle[t3] * (np.pi/360)))
449
450     combinedQuatW.append(undoCombinedCos[t3])
451     combinedQuatX.append(undoCombinedSin[t3] * np.sin(0.5*np.pi) * np.cos(np.pi))
452     combinedQuatY.append(0.01 * (yCalfY[t3] / 2) *
453     np.cos(yCalfY[t3]/(undoCombinedSin[t3])))
454     combinedQuatZ.append(0.01 * (yCalfZ[t3] / 2) *
455     np.cos(yCalfZ[t3]/(undoCombinedSin[t3])))
456
457     rebuildCombined.append(np.arccos(np.minimum(1,
458     combinedQuatW[0]*combinedQuatW[t3] +
459     combinedQuatX[0]*combinedQuatX[t3] +
460     combinedQuatY[0]*combinedQuatY[t3] +
461     combinedQuatZ[0]*combinedQuatZ[t3])) * (180/np.pi))
462
463     for t4 in range(0, len(xCalfRoll)):
464         rebuildCombinedFix.append(rebuildCombined[t4]-rebuildCombined[500])
465
466     fig, axs = plt.subplots()
467     axs.set_title('Euler-Based Net Angle Changes for CALF')
468     axs.plot(rebuildCombinedFix, color='violet')
469     axs.set_xlim(500, 750)
470     axs.set_ylim(-20, 20)
471     axs.set_xlabel('Time (seconds)', ylabel='Total Angle Change (degrees)')
472     axs.invert_yaxis()
473     positions = (500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750)
474     labels = (14.42, 15.86, 17.30, 18.75, 20.19, 21.63)
475     plt.xticks(positions, labels)
476     fig.show()
477
478 class PlotFoot:
479     # PURPOSE: Plot the total angle change about the axis of the foot.
480
481     def __init__(self, xFootRoll = [], yFootRoll = [], xFootPitch = [],
482                  yFootPitch = [], xFootYaw = [], yFootYaw = [],
483                  xFootW = [], yFootW = [], xFootX = [], yFootX = [],
484                  xFootY = [], yFootY = [], xFootZ = [], yFootZ = [],
485                  changeFoot = []):
486         self.xFootRoll = xFootRoll
487         self.yFootRoll = yFootRoll
488         self.xFootPitch = xFootPitch
489         self.yFootPitch = yFootPitch
490         self.xFootYaw = xFootYaw
491         self.yFootYaw = yFootYaw
492         self.xFootW = xFootW

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492     self.yFootW = yFootW
493     self.xFootX = xFootX
494     self.yFootX = yFootX
495     self.xFootY = xFootY
496     self.yFootY = yFootY
497     self.xFootZ = xFootZ
498     self.yFootZ = yFootZ
499
500     self.changeFoot = changeFoot
501
502     def euler_angle_foot(self, xFootRoll, yFootRoll, xFootPitch, yFootPitch, xFootYaw,
503                           yFootYaw):
504         figFoot, axsFoot = plt.subplots(3, sharex = True, sharey = False)
505         figFoot.suptitle('Euler Axis Rotations for FOOT')
506
507         with open('angles_foot_roll2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
508             plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
509             for row in plots:
510                 xFootRoll.append(float(row[0]))
511                 yFootRoll.append(float(row[1]))
512         setRoll2Zero = []
513         for t in range(0, len(xFootRoll)):
514             setRoll2Zero.append(yFootRoll[t]-yFootRoll[500])
515         axsFoot[0].plot(xFootRoll, setRoll2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='teal')
516         axsFoot[0].set_xlabel='', ylabel='Roll')
517         axsFoot[0].set_xlim(500, 750)
518         axsFoot[0].set_ylim(20, -20)
519
520         with open('angles_foot_pitch2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
521             plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
522             for row in plots:
523                 xFootPitch.append(float(row[0]))
524                 yFootPitch.append(float(row[1]))
525         setPitch2Zero = []
526         for t in range(0, len(xFootPitch)):
527             setPitch2Zero.append(yFootPitch[t]-yFootPitch[500])
528         axsFoot[1].plot(xFootPitch, setPitch2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='magenta')
529         axsFoot[1].set_xlabel='', ylabel='Pitch')
530         axsFoot[1].set_xlim(500, 750)
531         axsFoot[1].set_ylim(50, -50)
532
533         with open('angles_foot_yaw2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
534             plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
535             for row in plots:
536                 xFootYaw.append(float(row[0]))
537                 yFootYaw.append(float(row[1]))
538         setYaw2Zero = []
539         for t in range(0, len(xFootYaw)):
540             setYaw2Zero.append(yFootYaw[t]-yFootYaw[500])
541         axsFoot[2].plot(xFootYaw, setYaw2Zero, linewidth = 2, color='black')
542         axsFoot[2].set_xlabel='', ylabel='Yaw')
543         axsFoot[2].set_xlim(500, 750)
544         axsFoot[2].set_ylim(20, -20)
545
546         # Optional!
547         # figFoot.show()
548
549     def quaternion_foot(self, xFootW, yFootW, xFootX, yFootX, xFootY,
550                        yFootY, xFootZ, yFootZ):
551         figQuats, axsQuats = plt.subplots(4, sharex = True, sharey = False)
552         figQuats.suptitle('Quaternion Axis Rotations for FOOT')
553
554         with open('angles_foot_W2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
555             plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
556             for row in plots:
557                 xFootW.append(float(row[0]))
558                 yFootW.append(float(row[1]))

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558     axsQuats[0].plot(xFootW, yFootW, color='blue')
559     axsQuats[0].set(xlabel='', ylabel='W')
560     axsQuats[0].set_xlim(500, 750)
561
562     with open('angles_foot_X2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
563         plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
564         for row in plots:
565             xFootX.append(float(row[0]))
566             yFootX.append(float(row[1]))
567     axsQuats[1].plot(xFootX, yFootX, color='red')
568     axsQuats[1].set(xlabel='', ylabel='X')
569     axsQuats[1].set_xlim(500, 750)
570
571     with open('angles_foot_Y2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
572         plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
573         for row in plots:
574             xFootY.append(float(row[0]))
575             yFootY.append(float(row[1]))
576     axsQuats[2].plot(xFootY, yFootY, color='green')
577     axsQuats[2].set(xlabel='', ylabel='Y')
578     axsQuats[2].set_xlim(500, 750)
579
580     with open('angles_foot_Z2.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
581         plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
582         for row in plots:
583             xFootZ.append(float(row[0]))
584             yFootZ.append(float(row[1]))
585     axsQuats[3].plot(xFootZ, yFootZ, color='orange')
586     axsQuats[3].set(xlabel='Time (count)', ylabel='Z')
587     axsQuats[3].set_xlim(500, 750)
588
589     # Optional!
590     # figQuats.show()
591
592     def dot_product_foot(self, xFootW, yFootW, xFootX, yFootX, xFootY,
593                           yFootY, xFootZ, yFootZ, changeFoot):
594         oneRad2Degrees = 57.296
595         changeFootFix = []
596         for t1 in range(0, len(xFootW)):
597             changeFoot.append(np.arccos(np.minimum(1, yFootW[0]*yFootW[t1] +
598                                                     yFootX[0]*yFootX[t1] +
599                                                     yFootY[0]*yFootY[t1] +
600                                                     yFootZ[0]*yFootZ[t1]))*(180/np.pi)-(oneRad2Deg
601                                                         rees/2))
602
603         for t2 in range(0, len(xFootW)):
604             changeFootFix.append(changeFoot[t2]-changeFoot[500])
605
606         fig, axs = plt.subplots()
607         axs.set_title('Quaternion-Based Net Angle Changes for FOOT')
608         axs.plot(changeFootFix, color='blue')
609         axs.set_xlim(500, 750)
610         axs.set_ylim(-20, 20)
611         axs.set(xlabel='Time (seconds)', ylabel='Total Angle Change (degrees)')
612         axs.invert_yaxis()
613         positions = (500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750)
614         labels = (14.42, 15.86, 17.30, 18.75, 20.19, 21.63)
615         plt.xticks(positions, labels)
616         fig.show()
617
618     def euler_combo_foot(self, xFootRoll, yFootRoll, yFootPitch, yFootYaw,
619                           yFootY, yFootZ):
620         theta_array = []
621         R = []
622         combinedEulerX = []

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623 combinedEulerY = []
624 combinedEulerZ = []
625
626 combinedNetAngle = []
627 undoCombinedCos = []
628 undoCombinedSin = []
629
630 combinedQuatW = []
631 combinedQuatX = []
632 combinedQuatY = []
633 combinedQuatZ = []
634
635 rebuildCombined = []
636 rebuildCombinedFix = []
637
638 for t3 in range(0, len(xFootRoll)):
639     theta = [yFootRoll[t3] * (np.pi/180), yFootPitch[t3]* (np.pi/180),
640             yFootYaw[t3]* (np.pi/180)]
641     theta_array.append(theta)
642
643     R_x = np.array([[1, 0, 0],
644                    [0, math.cos(theta[0]), -math.sin(theta[0])],
645                    [0, math.sin(theta[0]), math.cos(theta[0])]])
646
647
648
649     R_y = np.array([[math.cos(theta[1]), 0, math.sin(theta[1])],
650                    [0, 1, 0],
651                    [-math.sin(theta[1]), 0, math.cos(theta[1])]])
652
653
654
655     R_z = np.array([[math.cos(theta[2]), -math.sin(theta[2]), 0],
656                    [math.sin(theta[2]), math.cos(theta[2]), 0],
657                    [0, 0, 1]])
658
659     R.append(np.dot(R_x, np.dot(R_y, R_z)))
660
661     combinedEulerX.append(math.atan2(R[t3][2,1], R[t3][2,2]))
662     combinedEulerY.append(math.asin(R[t3][0,2]))
663     combinedEulerZ.append(math.atan2(R[t3][1,0], R[t3][0,0]))
664
665     combinedNetAngle.append(combinedEulerY[t3] * (180/np.pi))
666     undoCombinedCos.append(np.cos(combinedNetAngle[t3] * (np.pi/360)))
667     undoCombinedSin.append(np.sin(combinedNetAngle[t3] * (np.pi/360)))
668
669     combinedQuatW.append(undoCombinedCos[t3])
670     combinedQuatX.append(undoCombinedSin[t3] * np.sin(0.5*np.pi) * np.cos(np.pi))
671     combinedQuatY.append(0.01 * (yFootY[t3] / 2) *
672                             np.cos(yFootY[t3]/(undoCombinedSin[t3])))
673     combinedQuatZ.append(0.01 * (yFootZ[t3] / 2) *
674                             np.cos(yFootZ[t3]/(undoCombinedSin[t3])))
675
676
677     rebuildCombined.append(np.arccos(np.minimum(1,
678                                                combinedQuatW[0]*combinedQuatW[t3] +
679                                                combinedQuatX[0]*combinedQuatX[t3] +
680                                                combinedQuatY[0]*combinedQuatY[t3] +
681                                                combinedQuatZ[0]*combinedQuatZ[t3])) * (180/np.pi))
682
683
684 for t4 in range(0, len(xFootRoll)):
685     rebuildCombinedFix.append(rebuildCombined[t4]-rebuildCombined[500])
686
687
688 fig, axs = plt.subplots()
689 axs.set_title('Euler-Based Net Angle Changes for FOOT')
690 axs.plot(rebuildCombinedFix, color='violet')
691 axs.set_xlim(500, 750)

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687         axs.set_ylim(-20, 20)
688         axs.set(xlabel='Time (seconds)', ylabel='Total Angle Change (degrees)')
689         axs.invert_yaxis()
690         positions = (500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750)
691         labels = (14.42, 15.86, 17.30, 18.75, 20.19, 21.63)
692         plt.xticks(positions, labels)
693         fig.show()
694
695     class PlotLegRaising:
696         # PURPOSE: Plot the total angle change for when a person is sitting and
697         # raising a leg by up to 90 degrees.
698
699         def __init__(self, xLegW = [], yLegW = [], xLegX = [], yLegX = [],
700                     xLegY = [], yLegY = [], xLegZ = [], yLegZ = [],
701                     changeLeg = [], pointsMinMax = []):
702             self.xLegW = xLegW
703             self.yLegW = yLegW
704             self.xLegX = xLegX
705             self.yLegX = yLegX
706             self.xLegY = xLegY
707             self.yLegY = yLegY
708             self.xLegZ = xLegZ
709             self.yLegZ = yLegZ
710
711             self.changeLeg = changeLeg
712             self.pointsMinMax = pointsMinMax
713
714         def leg_quat_analysis(self, xLegW, yLegW, xLegX, yLegX, xLegY,
715                             yLegY, xLegZ, yLegZ):
716             figLeg, axsLeg = plt.subplots(4, sharex = True, sharey = False)
717             figLeg.suptitle('Sitting/Leg Raising Quaternions')
718
719             with open('test_quat_wholeleg_w.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
720                 plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
721                 for row in plots:
722                     xLegW.append(float(row[0]))
723                     yLegW.append(float(row[1]))
724             axsLeg[0].plot(xLegW,yLegW,linewidth=2, color='teal')
725             axsLeg[0].set(xlabel='', ylabel="Quat'n (W)")
726             axsLeg[0].set_xlim(50, 100)
727
728             with open('test_quat_wholeleg_x.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
729                 plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
730                 for row in plots:
731                     xLegX.append(float(row[0]))
732                     yLegX.append(float(row[1]))
733             axsLeg[1].plot(xLegX,yLegX,linewidth=2, color='red')
734             axsLeg[1].set(xlabel='', ylabel="Quat'n (X)")
735             axsLeg[1].set_xlim(50, 100)
736
737             with open('test_quat_wholeleg_y.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
738                 plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
739                 for row in plots:
740                     xLegY.append(float(row[0]))
741                     yLegY.append(float(row[1]))
742             axsLeg[2].plot(xLegY,yLegY,linewidth=2, color='green')
743             axsLeg[2].set(xlabel='', ylabel="Quat'n (Y)")
744             axsLeg[2].set_xlim(50, 100)
745
746             with open('test_quat_wholeleg_z.csv', 'r') as csvfile:
747                 plots= csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
748                 for row in plots:
749                     xLegZ.append(float(row[0]))
750                     yLegZ.append(float(row[1]))
751             axsLeg[3].plot(xLegZ,yLegZ,linewidth=2, color='orange')
752             axsLeg[3].set(xlabel='Time (Count)', ylabel="Quat'n (Z)")
753             axsLeg[3].set_xlim(50, 100)

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754         # Display the matplotlib figure showing quaternion behaviors in the
755         # raising leg (optional).
756         # figLeg.show()
757
758     def leg_net_angles(self, xLegW, yLegW, xLegX, yLegX, xLegY,
759                       yLegY, xLegZ, yLegZ, changeLeg, pointsMinMax):
760         # Append changeLeg with the total angle change, which equates to
761         # the inverse cosine of the dot product for each quaternion at the
762         # initial and final time points, all multiplied by 360 degrees over
763         # pi (for converting from radians to degrees).
764         for t1 in range(0, len(xLegW)):
765             changeLeg.append(np.arccos(np.minimum(1, yLegW[0] * yLegW[t1] +
766                                                  yLegX[0] * yLegX[t1] +
767                                                  yLegY[0] * yLegY[t1] +
768                                                  yLegZ[0] * yLegZ[t1]))*(360/np.pi))
769
770         # Plot the total angle change for the raising leg based on the
771         # quaternions using the changeLeg array. Limit the x-axis to
772         # 50-100, and invert and limit the y-axis to 90-0.
773         figAngleLeg, axsAngleLeg = plt.subplots()
774         axsAngleLeg.set_title('Sitting/Leg-Raising')
775         axsAngleLeg.set_ylabel("Total Angle Change (Degrees)")
776         axsAngleLeg.set_xlabel('Time (Count)')
777         axsAngleLeg.plot(changeLeg, color='blue')
778         axsAngleLeg.set_xlim(50, 100)
779         axsAngleLeg.set_ylim(90, 0)
780
781         # Narrow down the time interval to 50-100, and append pointMinMax with
782         # the y-values occurring within that interval.
783         for t2 in range(50, 101):
784             pointsMinMax.append(changeLeg[t2])
785
786         # Determine the highest and lowest values of pointMinMax, and find their
787         # locations within the x-axis.
788         xmax = pointsMinMax.index(max(pointsMinMax))+50
789         ymax = max(pointsMinMax)
790         xmin = pointsMinMax.index(min(pointsMinMax))+50
791         ymin = min(pointsMinMax)
792
793         # Annotate the highest point in the plot within the selected interval.
794         text1 = "Max Angle: {:.3f}° \nTime: {:.3f}".format(ymax, xmax)
795         bbox_props1 = dict(boxstyle="square,pad=0.3", fc="w", ec="k", lw=0.72)
796         arrowprops1=dict(arrowstyle="->", lw=1.5)
797         kw1 = dict(xycoords='data',textcoords="axes fraction",
798                  arrowprops=arrowprops1, bbox=bbox_props1, ha="left", va="top")
799         axsAngleLeg.annotate(text1, xytext=(0.4, 0.0925), xy=(xmax, ymax), **kw1)
800
801         # Annotate the lowest point in the plot within the selected interval.
802         text2 = "Min Angle: {:.3f}° \nTime: {:.3f}".format(ymin, xmin)
803         bbox_props2 = dict(boxstyle="square,pad=0.3", fc="w", ec="k", lw=0.72)
804         arrowprops2=dict(arrowstyle="->", lw=1.5)
805         kw2 = dict(xycoords='data',textcoords="axes fraction",
806                  arrowprops=arrowprops2, bbox=bbox_props2, ha="left", va="bottom")
807         axsAngleLeg.annotate(text2, xytext=(0.18, 0.85), xy=(xmin, ymin), **kw2)
808
809         # Display the matplotlib figure showing the total angle change in the
810         # raising leg.
811         figAngleLeg.show()
812
813

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Code B: TeamUSDataProcessingFinal2020.py

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1  # Lee Bradley, Martha Gizaw, Nate Winneg
2  # Engineering Physics Capstone Project
3  # Unstable Seniors: Data Processing
4  # May 2020
5
6  # Import the libraries below
7  from DebugSubroutinesTeamUS import PlotThigh, PlotCalf, PlotFoot, PlotLegRaising
8
9  # Turn on/off the following debug variables to control which human feature to
10 # look at.
11 debugThigh = False # Change to True if you wish to visualize the thigh data.
12 debugCalf = False # Change to True if you wish to visualize the calf data.
13 debugFoot = False # Change to True if you wish to visualize the foot data.
14 debugLeg = False # Change to True if you wish to visualize the raising leg data.
15
16 # Initialize the following variables as empty arrays.
17 xRoll = []
18 yRoll = []
19
20 xPitch = []
21 yPitch = []
22
23 xYaw = []
24 yYaw = []
25
26 xQuatW = []
27 yQuatW = []
28
29 xQuatX = []
30 yQuatX = []
31
32 xQuatY = []
33 yQuatY = []
34
35 xQuatZ = []
36 yQuatZ = []
37
38 netAngleChange = []
39 pointsMinMax = []
40
41 # Call the subroutines by turning on only one debug value for any human feature.
42 if (debugThigh == True) and (debugCalf == False) and (debugFoot == False) and (debugLeg
== False):
43     thigh = PlotThigh()
44     thigh.euler_angle_thigh(xRoll, yRoll, xPitch, yPitch, xYaw, yYaw)
45     thigh.quaternion_thigh(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ,
yQuatZ)
46     thigh.dot_product_thigh(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ,
yQuatZ, netAngleChange)
47     thigh.euler_combo_thigh(xRoll, yRoll, yPitch, yYaw, yQuatY, yQuatZ)
48
49 elif (debugThigh == False) and (debugCalf == True) and (debugFoot == False) and
(debugLeg == False):
50     calf = PlotCalf()
51     calf.euler_angle_calf(xRoll, yRoll, xPitch, yPitch, xYaw, yYaw)
52     calf.quaternion_calf(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ, yQuatZ)
53     calf.dot_product_calf(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ,
yQuatZ, netAngleChange)
54     calf.euler_combo_calf(xRoll, yRoll, yPitch, yYaw, yQuatY, yQuatZ)
55
56 elif (debugThigh == False) and (debugCalf == False) and (debugFoot == True) and
(debugLeg == False):
57     foot = PlotFoot()
58     foot.euler_angle_foot(xRoll, yRoll, xPitch, yPitch, xYaw, yYaw)
59     foot.quaternion_foot(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ, yQuatZ)
60     foot.dot_product_foot(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ,
yQuatZ, netAngleChange)
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61     foot.euler_combo_foot(xRoll, yRoll, yPitch, yYaw, yQuatY, yQuatZ)
62
63     elif (debugThigh == False) and (debugCalf == False) and (debugFoot == False) and
        (debugLeg == True):
64         leg = PlotLegRaising()
65         leg.leg_quat_analysis(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ, yQuatZ)
66         leg.leg_net_angles(xQuatW, yQuatW, xQuatX, yQuatX, xQuatY, yQuatY, xQuatZ, yQuatZ,
            netAngleChange, pointsMinMax)
67
68     else:
69         print("Sorry, but you would rather want to look at the plots one human" +
70             " feature at a time and explain them before moving on. Please turn" +
71             " off or turn on any of the debug variables provided to you, and" +
72             " have only one of them turned on to plot the desired data.")
73

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