Mobile Health IMU and Human Activity

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Inertial Measurement Unit

- Accelerometer
- Gyroscope
- Magnetometer



Accelerometer

- Measures rate of change of velocity along three orthogonal axes of smartphone
- Output: gravitational units (g) or meters per seconds squared (m/s²); positive or negative depending on the orientation of smartphone

Gyroscope

- Measures angular velocity around three orthogonal axes of smartphone
- Output: radians per second (rad/s); positive or negative depending on the direction of rotation

Magnetometer

- Measures strength of Earth's magnetic field relative to three orthogonal axes of smartphone
- Output: microtesla (µT); positive or negative depending on the orientation of smartphone





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Accelerometer

- Measures the change in speed with respect to time.
 - More informative than just speed as it can be linked to energy.
 - Speed can be deduced.
- Capacitor (vibration)
- Piezoelectric
- Current devices have accelerometers measuring movement in the three orthogonal axis.





Gyroscope: an intuition

- Gyroscopes use vibration to measures the rate of rotation.
- In practice it measures the rate of rotation wrt to each axis



Step Count

- Wearables already use IMUs to offer activity indicators
- However no automatic (more refined) activity recognition in most cases...





Activity Recognition



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Considerations

- Position of the device might change the signals.
- Different sensors sense different patterns.
- Does it change from person to person.
- What about sampling?



Sampling

- Generally between 20 and 30 Hz.
- Some studies try to research the trade offs of sampling frequency and activity detection because sampling affects device battery...
 - 10Hz enough to distinguish activity from smartphone IMUs and 20Hz for mode of transport [1].



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Preprocessing

A labels are realigned (by eye) B samples are removed to balance data C missing data is filled with adjacent data D removing components, denoising: high frequency noise cancellation.

E (see next slides ..magnitude): aggregation F rotate to different coordinate system





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Signal Filtering

- Removing certain frequencies
- Example
 - Low pass filter: passes low frequencies and attenuates high frequencies.
 - Band-pass filter: only frequencies in a frequency band are passed.





Preprocessing: Magnitude

$$\forall i: m_i = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$





Gravitational and Body Force Separation





Data Segmentation

- Localize temporal patterns of interest
- But you do not know what/where these are...
- Sliding window approach
 - Issues: window length, overlap, window label choice...





Sliding Window with 50% overlap

- Let's fix the window size, define a 50% overlap
- One can change window size and overlap





Segmented Samples to Prediction

- For each sample further analysis is applied to reach a prediction, for example:
 - A number of features are extracted on a sample and a classifier is used to use these to decide on the class label for a sample.
 - The sample row data is fed into a deep learning network which gets to a softmax probability offering a classification output.



Traditional Inference Pipeline





Mapping Classes with Windows





Zhang, Yong & Zhang, Yu & Zhang, Zhao & Bao, Jie & Song, Yunpeng. (2018). Human activity recognition based on time series analysis using U-Net.

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Sampling Rate

Sampling rate has impact on battery Here is an approach that defines a function to allow lowering sampling rate while keeping a similarity with the original curve.

Histogram shows that when using this method the performance are not affected much.

Dataset	#Classes	Original	Optimal sampling rates	
		Q(Hz)	$\widehat{q}~(\mathcal{S}=0.95)~(ext{Hz})$	$\hat{q} (S = 0.99) (Hz)$
Skoda	11	96	12	22
PAMAP2-Hand	13	100	32	56
PAMAP2-Chest			33	57
PAMAP2-Ankle			42	63
USC-HAD	12	100	17	30
PHealth	10	100	15	26
Walk8	4	250	18	35





[A. Khan, N. Hammerla, S. Mellor, and T. Ploetz, "Optimising sampling rates for accelerometerbased human activity recognition," Pattern Recognition Letters, 2016.]

Class Prediction Problem

- Predict activity given a window of movement data.
- Predict activity given multiple windows of movement data.
- Predict the activity sequence given multiple windows of movement data.
- Predict activity given a sequence of movement data for a presegmented activity.
- Predict activity cessation or transition given a window of movement data.
- Predict a stationary or non-stationary activity given a window of movement data



Feature Extraction

• Distribution of x,y, z axis acceleration per window for various activities





Figure by Thomas Ploetz

Physical Activity using Accelerometer

- Activities: sitting, standing, waking, running
- Feature examples:
 - Mean (can help distinguish between standing and sitting).
 - Standard deviation
 - Number of peaks (can help distinguish between waking and running).





Classification: a Recap!

- Feature extraction produces a feature vector.
- The classification matches the feature vector to a pre-defined set of classes.
- The classification engine is typically based on machine-learning techniques and is trained using labelled training data.
- Common classification algorithms include:
 - K Nearest Neighbour.
 - Naive Bayes classifier.
 - Decision Trees.
 - Hidden Markov Models.



Activity Recognition Classification



Activities

opening a window closing a window watering a plant turning book pages

drinking from a bottle cutting with a knife chopping with a knife stirring in a bowl

forehand backhand and smash







Classification Results: Person Dependence and Multiple Sensors





Confusion Matrix on Activities





Gait analysis

 Gait is indicative of musculoskeletal and neurological diseases such as Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, multiple sclerosis and osteoarthritis.



M. Ullrich, A. Kuderle, J. Hannink, S. Del Din, H. Gaßner, F. Marxreiter, J. Klucken, B. Eskofier, F. Kluge. Detection of Gait From Continuous Inertial Sensor Data Using Harmonic Frequencies. JOURNAL OF BIOMEDICAL AND HEALTH INFORMATICS. 2020.

The Sensor and the Setting...

- Training set: 150 gait analysis recordings of 121 patients in hospital
- Validation set: 203 gait recordings from 7 PD patients at their home
- Exercises:
 - 1. 2x10 m walk with a break at the turning point (2x10m) 2)
 - 2. 4x10 m walk without stops at turning points
 - 3. (4x10m) 3) 2-minute walk back and forth along a straight path of 25 m (2min)
 - 4. Tapping on the ground with the heel (*heel*)
 - 5. Tapping on the ground with heel and toes alternately (*heel-toe*)
 - 6. Circular movement of the foot (*circling*)





Data Processing

- Norm of accelerometer and gyroscope for window used to detect movement. If above a threshold accept sequence.
- Low pass filter (cut off 6Hz).
- Use FFT to find important frequencies.
- Uses autocorrelation to measure peaks (and harmonic frequencies)

$$R(m) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1-m} s(n) s(n+m)$$

• Use these to decide if to keep this window.

$$|s^{3d}| = \sqrt{s_x^2 + s_y^2 + s_z^2},$$





Autocorrelation to measure period





Some Results

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	acc_v	$\operatorname{acc}_{norm}$	gyr_{ml}	gyr_{norm}
Lab Data Set				
Sensitivity	0.97 (0.03)	0.94 (0.04)	0.98 (0.01)	0.89 (0.04)
Specificity	0.95 (0.02)	0.96 (0.01)	0.96 (0.02)	0.81 (0.04)
Youden index	0.92 (0.02)	0.90 (0.04)	0.94 (0.01)	0.70 (0.06)
Opt. Peak Prom.	8	13	17	11
Val. Data Set				
Sensitivity	0.50	0.70	0.97	0.89

Questions

