

NeuroController

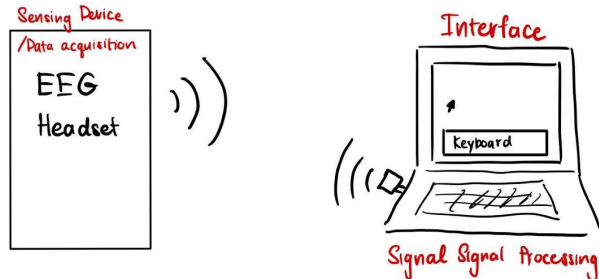


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Application Area

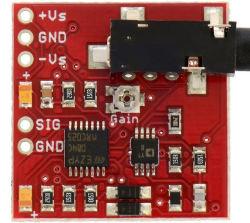
Goal: Increase accessibility of computer interfaces for amputees and individuals with difficulty controlling muscle functions.

Our solution: Create an application that serves as the mouse/keyboard interface that is controlled through EEG and EMG signals.



Hardware

Emotiv Insight (5 channels electrodes)



- Acquire EEG data (cortical electrical activity from scalp) from Frontal lobe (AF3, AF4), Temporal lobe (T7, T8), PZ (parietal lobe).

EMG sensor

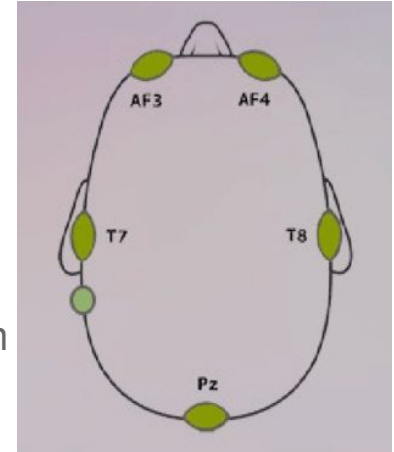
- Measure muscular electrical activity (usually 30mV - 50mV)

Arduino - UNO

- Convert EMG analog signals to digital and forward via bluetooth

Bluetooth module - HM10 DSD tech

- Allows wireless communication between the EMG + Arduino platform with computer.



Software

Emotiv Pro

(Data Acquisition)

Signal Acquisition

- Acquire EEG signals and make available through real-time to API

Python

(Backend)

Processing

- Receive data from EMOTIV
- Signal processing and fitting
- ML classification

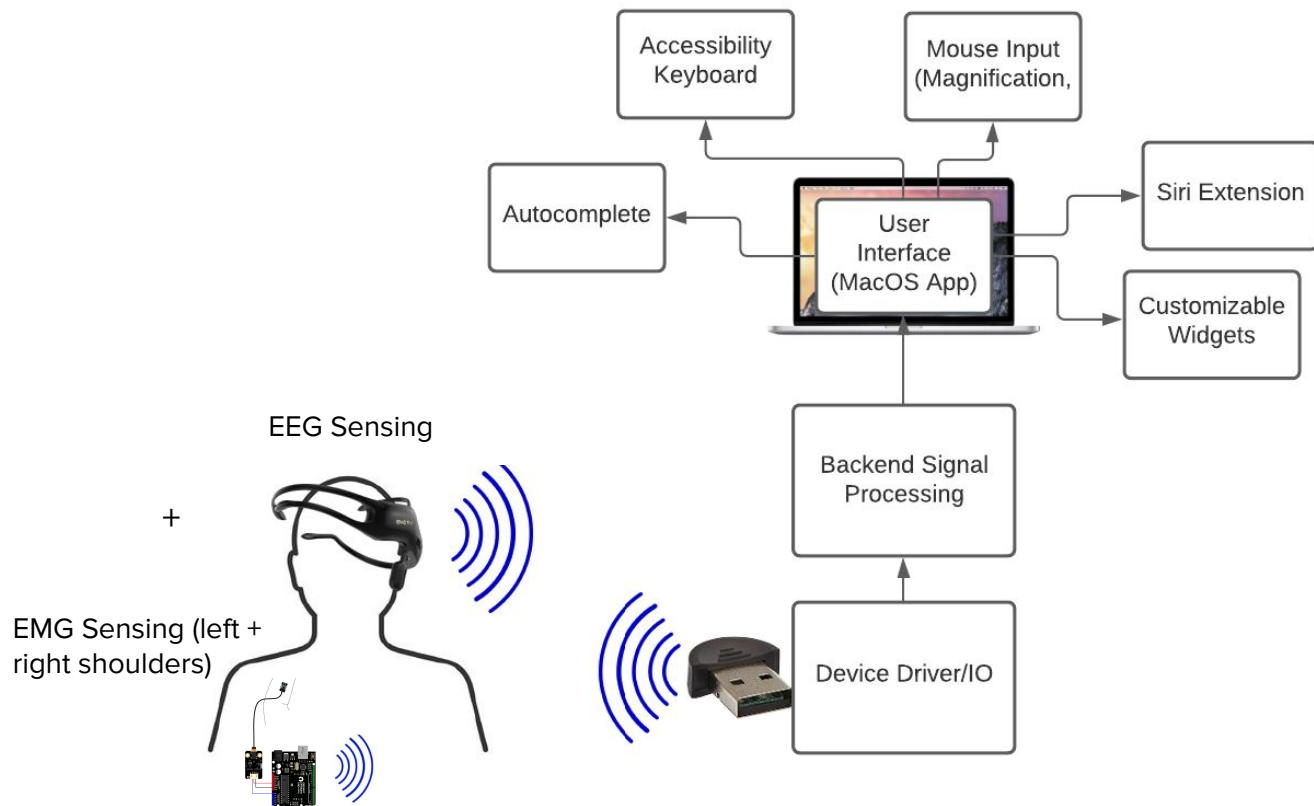
Flutter

(Frontend)

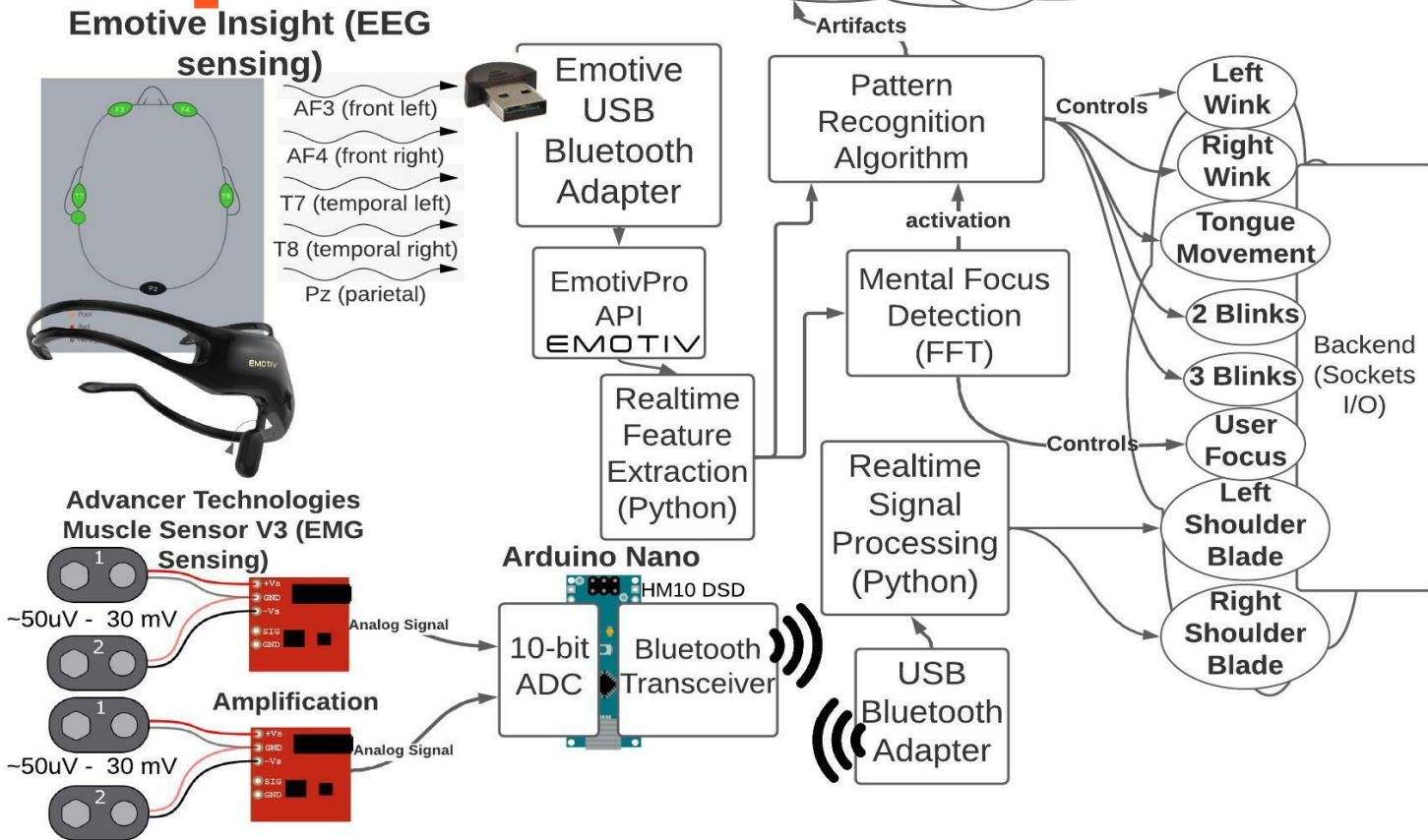
User Interface

- Mouse
- Keyboard
- Tab controllability
- Autocomplete

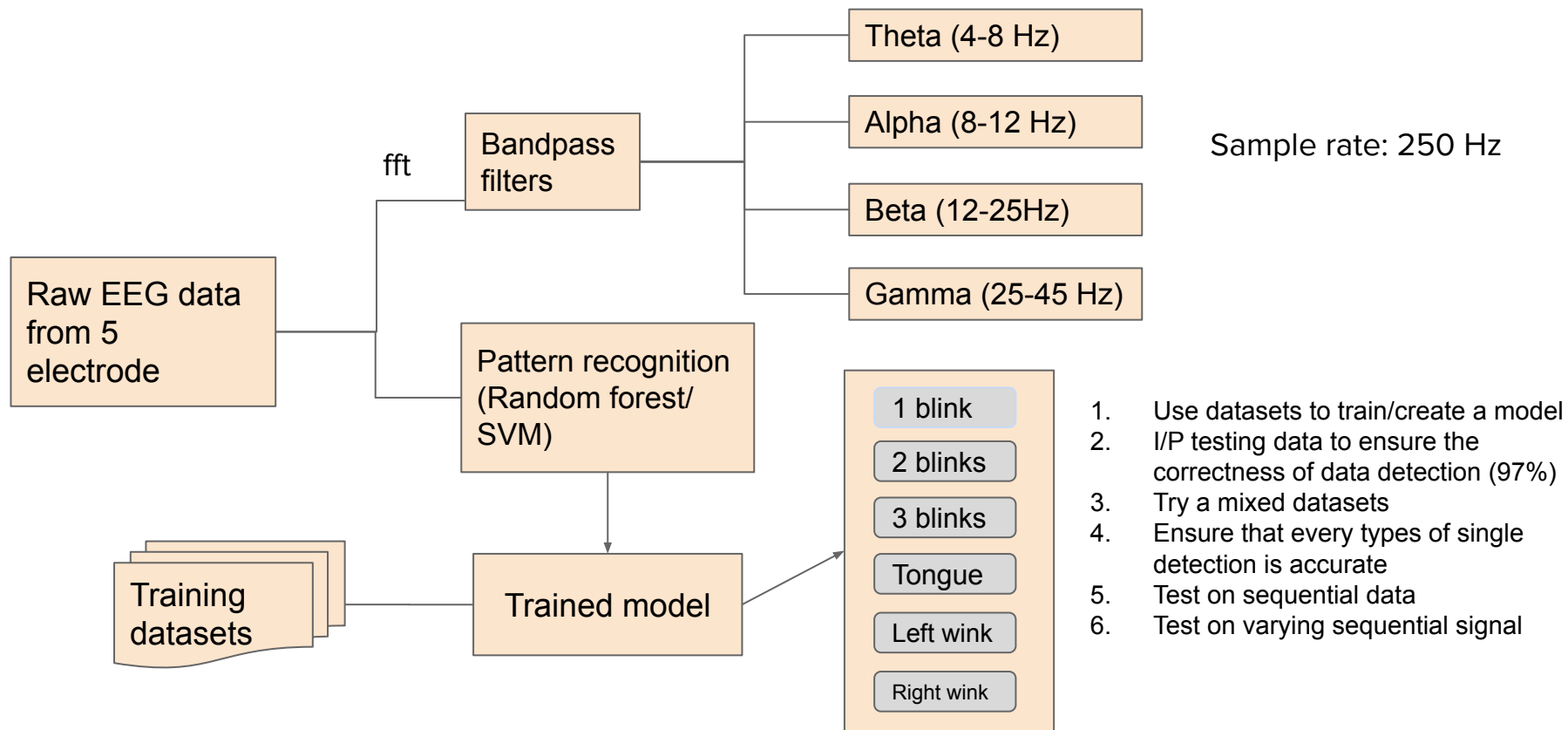
Solution Approach



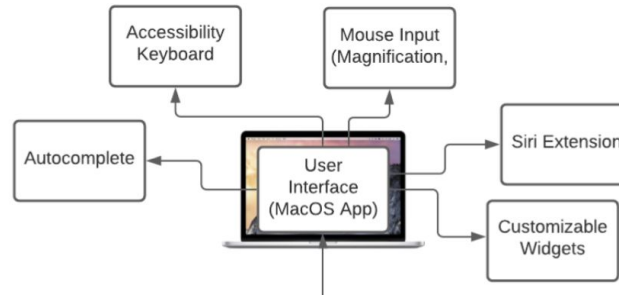
System Specification



Signal Processing Algorithm



User Interface



Mouse speed:
100-400 CPI
(count per inch)

Page up	
Page down	
Go to top of page	
Go to bottom of page	
Keyboard/ Mouse	
Settings	

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Implementation Plan

Copying/Downloading

- Bluetooth module code
- API template code
- Emotiv API

Assembling

- EMG wireless sensor platform

Buying

- EMG sensor
- EEG Headset (EMOTIV Insight)
- Bluetooth module

Designing

- Pattern recognition algorithm
- Data fitting training
- UI
- Desktop application

Metrics and Validation

Requirement	Testing Strategy	Quantitative Metric
User Accuracy & speed	- Point and click test	User can click 5 randomly spaced targets within 30 seconds
EEG Signal Processing Accuracy	- Signal pattern recognition test	90% accuracy on identifying labeled test data
User Latency	- Human benchmark test	Time user reaction to a stimulus and display reaction within 500 ms (eg. clicking)
User Experience	- Ask users who have tried this product if they would recommend this to someone in need	Over 70% recommendation out of 15 people

Risk Factors and Mitigation Plan

- High latency - Python signal processing, hardware on EMG
- Choosing or generating a pattern recognition algorithm to discern the different signals
- Discern and process a common signal that may vary across multiple subjects

If we want to stick to non-physical transmission of control signals, we will pivot to using CV detection through eye-tracking.

Project Management

Work Distribution:

- Jean- Signals
 - Signal processing algorithm/research
- Jonathan- Hardware/Software Interfacing
 - Create acquisition and processing backend
- Wendy- Software
 - Create desktop application and interface

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1		1/31/22	2/7/22	2/14/22	2/21/22	2/28/22	3/14/22	3/21/22	3/28/22	4/4/22	4/11/22	4/18/22	4/25/22	5/2/22
2	Deliverables											SLACK	SLACK	
3	Proposal Presentation Slides	All												
4	Proposal Presentation	JK												
5	Design Presentation Slides			All										
6	Design Presentation			JU, WM (TBD)										
7	Final Presentation Slides											All		
8	Final Presentation											JU, WM (TBD)		
9	Public Demo													All
10	Final Report													All
11														
12	Logistics													
13	Ordering all components	All												
14	Ethics Section							All						
15	Weekly Status Reports		All											
16	Individual Status Reports		All											
17														
18	Signals													
19	Play with Emotiv headset to get an idea of its capabilities and features	All												
20	Research signal processing techniques for EEG signals	JU												
21	Design movement tasks to obtain different control data sets		All											
22	Design & implement signal processing algorithm					JU								
23	Build our own EEG (expansion) eg. motor cortex detection													
24														
25	Hardware Drivers													
26	Link EEG headset to hardware (RPI/computer)			JK, JU										
27	Create a device driver/acquisition system for OS/Pi						JK							
28														
29	Interface (Software)													
30	Create wireframes for design of desktop app		WM											
31	Reading documentation for Swift and Flutter		JK, WM											
32	Setting of RPi (expansion)			JK (TBD if needed)										
33	Testing communications between device/interface (integration & debugging)									All				
34	Code a user interface design for desktop app						JK, WM (layout/design)	(design)	(implement)	(implement)	(integrate)			
35	Refining UI											JK, WM		

Conclusion

- Testing:
 - License was approved
- Developing:
- So far on schedule!