Final Presentation

StrainLess <3

Use Case/Application

Goal: reduce neck strain and back pain due to poor posture, reduce eye strain

Overall System	Posture tracking	Eye strain mitigation	Browser extension
Prompts a detectable change to eye strain or posture measures in <1 minute	Neck angle and weight distribution correctly measured with >95% accuracy	Blink rate correctly measured within +/- 1 blink/min	User can see their posture/blink behavior later on
Latency <1 min Alerts for all measures have >95% true-positive, <5% false-positive rates	Not restrictive of user motion/comfort while working 1+ hrs. Head components <75g	Works in different ambient lighting conditions	Runs in background on user opening Chrome without requiring user to open extension
Functional for duration of 8hrs without charging	100-300lbs supported		Notifications not more intrusive than user selects

Design Requirements

Head module	Seat module	Browser Extension			
Power: - Battery size < 6 sq. in.	Main MCU: - Compatible with/ onboard ADC	<mark>User is able to view a summary of</mark> their data			
MCU - Bluetooth 5.0 compatible	 Can process/ analyze inputs Compatible with SPI or I2C Physics eth 5.0 	User is able to hear and/or see alert			
 Battery amp-nour/avg. current draw >= 8 hr 	- Bluetooth 5.0	intrusiveness of system			
Head angle/position - Gyro range: 0 → 200 d/s	 O-300 lb min weight range Some way of connecting to MCU 	Camera supports at least 30fps for blink detection			
Mounting - Unobtrusive to user - Stable - Does not overheat	 Detect < 0.5 lb shift for analysis Sampling rate: 1 uS 	CV algorithm is able to detect blinks in dim conditions			

Total Weight < 75g



Solution Approach



Browser Extension View



Gyroscope on Visor



Mat for Chair

Complete Solution



Complete Solution (cont.)

• Instantaneous feedback vs averaging data



Pressure mat individual sensor data

Test, Verification, Validation

Test	Procedure	Passing Test	Results
Neck angle accuracy	Record user from side for 10-60min with current angle displayed on laptop in video, compare calculated angles with manually measured angles using Kinovea software in ~20 frames throughout video	RMS error < 5 degrees	10 min: Passes (RMS = 3.62 degrees, max diff = -6.55 degrees) 30 min: In Progress 60 min: In Progress
System 8hr battery life	Fully charge LiPo battery, connect ESP32 and RPi, leave system running (continually sending data) for 8hrs.	LiPo + seat batteries do not drop below 3.3V	Seat battery: Passes 500 mAh/10 ma per hour LiPo: In Progress
Browser Extension UI	Exhibit poor posture via sensors for > 1 min, measure latency between time of poor posture and time of alert.	Latency in seconds. Should be < 1 minute.	Pressure mat: Neck angle: Blink rate:

Test, Verification, Validation (cont.)

Test	Procedure	Passing Test	Results		
Posture Mat Comfort	Google form regarding whether they felt any discomfort, were impeded by the mat, and perceived accuracy of alert (0 is worst, 10 is best)	Out of each category >7 rating	Impeded: In Progress Discomfort: In Progress		
Blink rate	Compare number of blinks detected vs. manual count over 1 min. Vary lighting from well-lit to dim (3 diff. conditions).	Counts should be within 1 blink for all conditions.	Dim: In Progress Average: In Progress Bright: In Progress		
Posture accuracy	Record user from side and front for 10 minutes (x10 people) and 1 hour (1 person), compare the posture deviations being sent with those from the video	When a visible lean or other incorrect posture is detected on the video, >95% of visible leans are alerted	10 min: Passes (False positive rate of 3% when averaged) 60 min: In Progress		

Design Tradeoffs

Neck System	 Distribution of angle processing workloads across the two MCUs
Sitting Posture System	 Battery Powered Sensors vs. In-Wall Power Protoboard 1 ADC + 16:1 MUX vs 4 ADC - latency between switching between I2C addresses and switching MUX channels Pressure sensor location - accuracy on lean direction with 1 tester vs overall alert accuracy with all testers
Blink rate system	 Running script locally vs on Raspi vs on web app/browser extension
Browser extension	 Liberal use of permission granting vs functionality

Challenges/Lessons Learned

- Pi Web Server Hosting and Integration
- Early integration of small portions of project
- Black-boxed library code vs. tunable/modifiable algorithms
- Not overfitting algorithms for data analysis
- Testing on user setup vs. breadboarding
- Security issues with third-party code

	Design Implementation & Integration					n	Testing/ Validation			Improving Design / MVP		
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