

Motion Assessments in Virtual Reality Environments

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Background and Motivation

- Typical rehabilitation for conditions of the upper extremities require reaching motions
 - Stroke^[1]
 - Parkinson's^[2]
 - Multiple Sclerosis^[3]
- Less-Advanced VR has been previously evaluated as a rehabilitation tool
 - Wii-habilitation
 - Applied to stroke^[1], MS^[4], Parkinson's Disease^[5]



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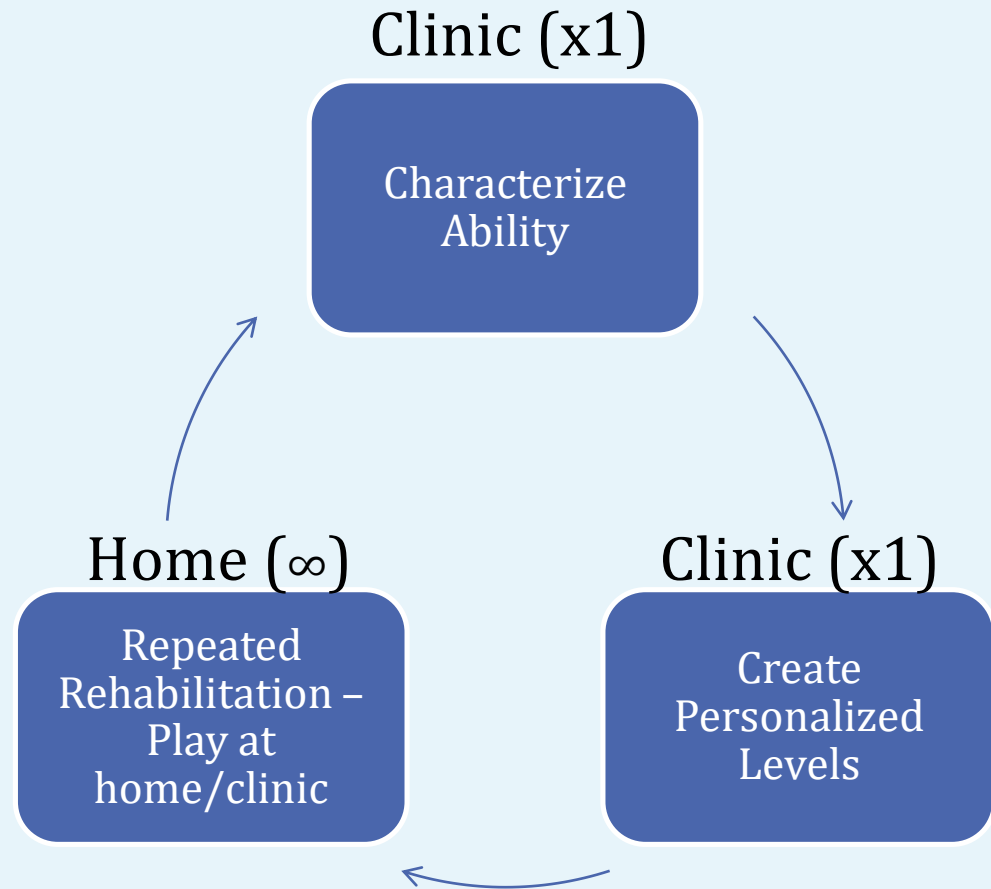


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Research Goal

- Grand Challenges
Scholars Program –
- Enhance Virtual Reality
 - Engineer Better Medicines
 - Advance health Informatics



Aspects of Movement

- Arm/hand used

Left (red)



Right (blue)



- Direction of the movement

Left



Down



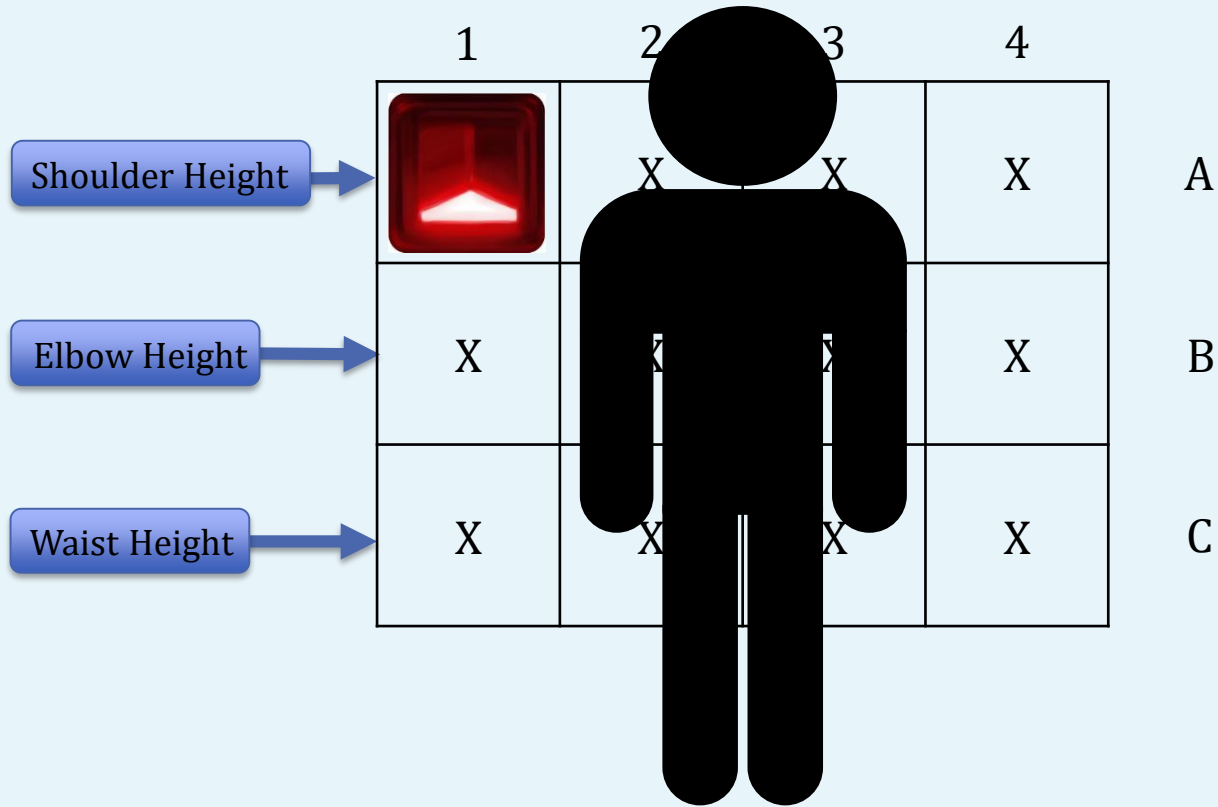
Up



Right



Box Placement



Aspects of Movement



Unilateral
(alternating)

One arm
moves at a
time



Bilateral
(matching)

Both arms
complete the
same task



Bilateral
(opposing)

One arm has
the opposite
direction task



Design of Experiment

Factors	Levels		
Group	Control Group	Multiple Sclerosis	Parkinson's
Side	Left Side		Right Side
Task Height	Shoulder Level		Elbow Level
Task Type	Unilateral (alternating)	Bilateral (matched)	Bilateral (opposing)



Data Collection



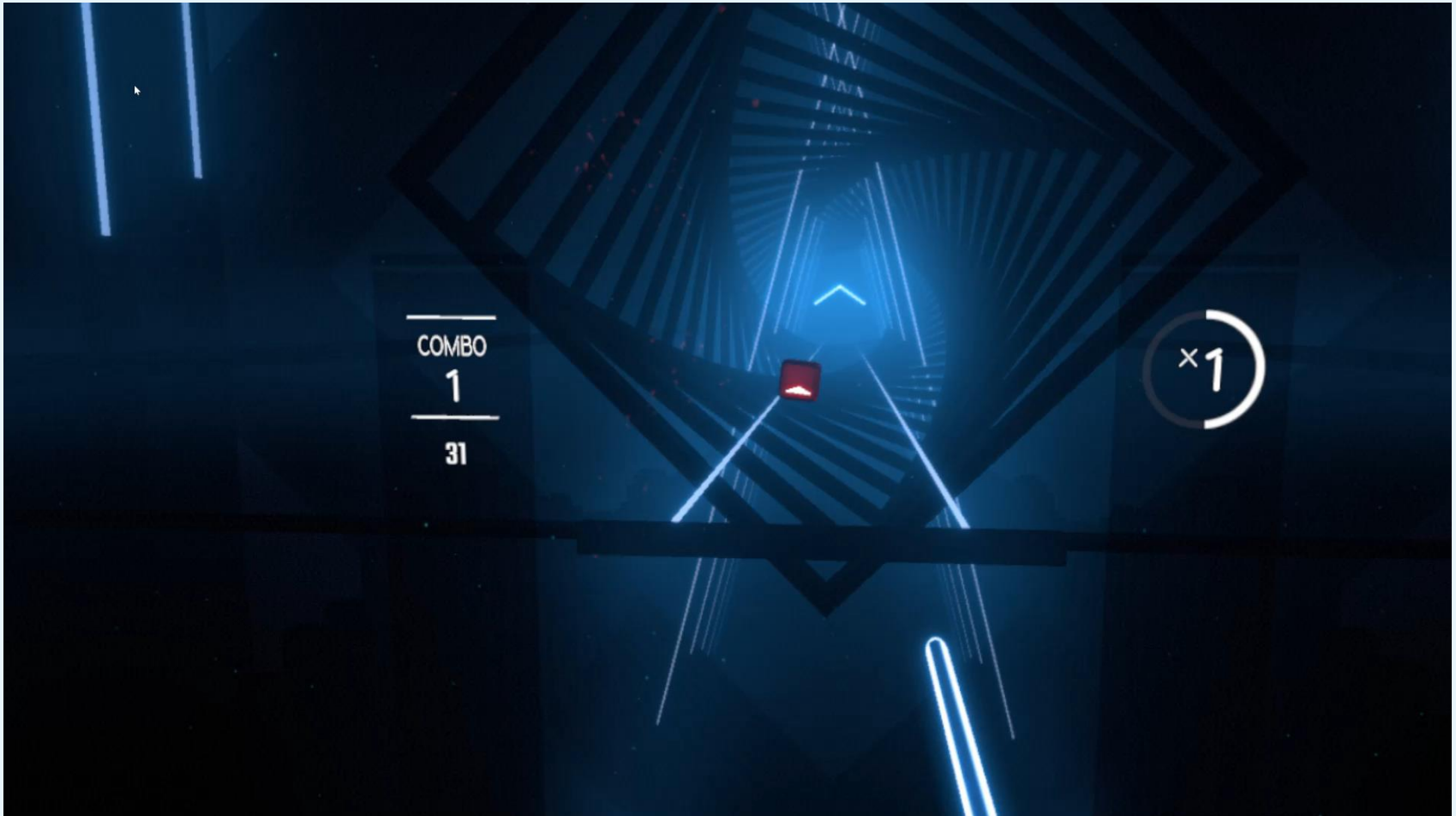
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Capture suit



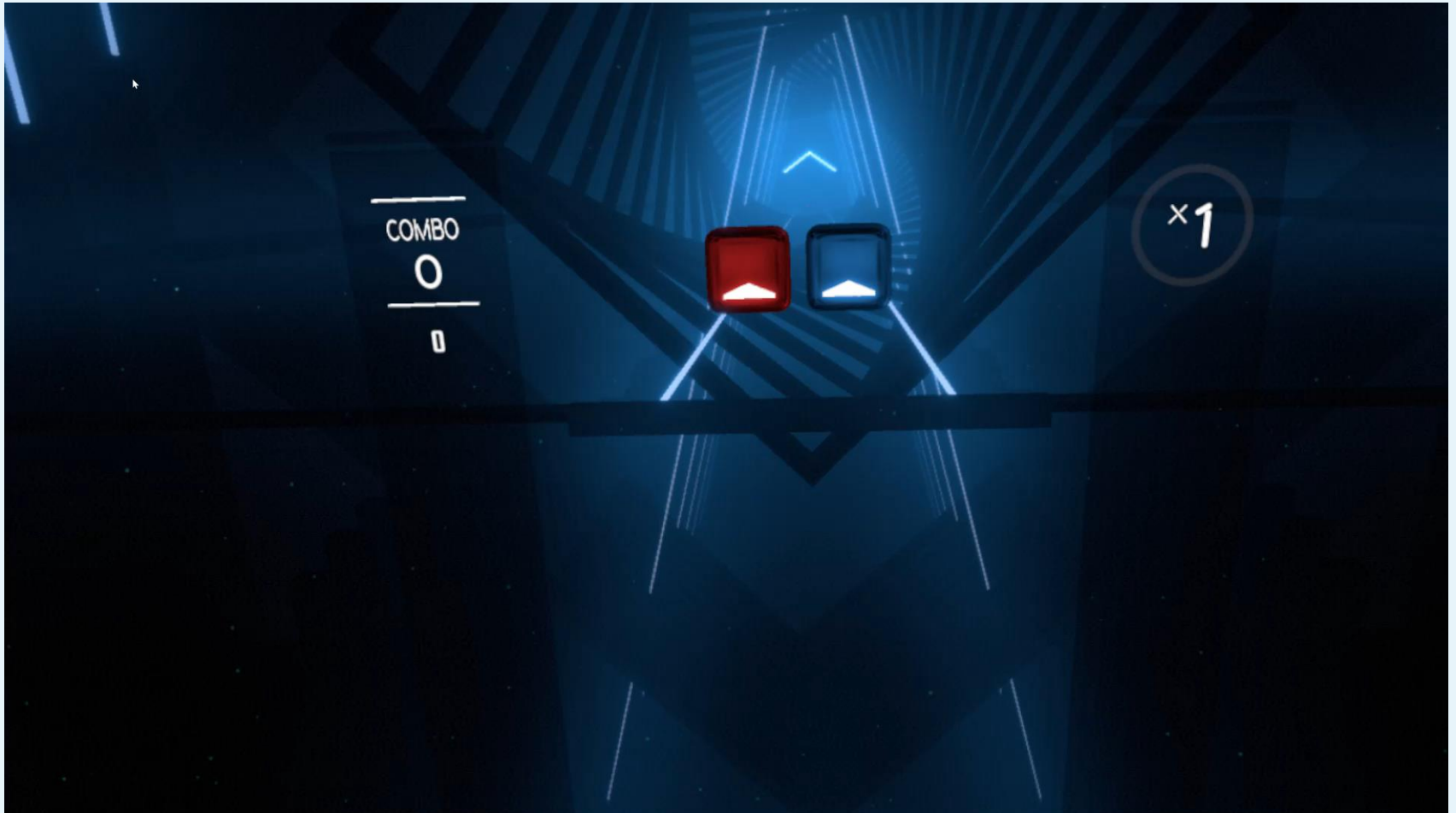
HTC Vive Pro
Virtual Reality
System



Unilateral (alternating) Level



Bilateral (matching) Level





Bilateral (opposing) Level

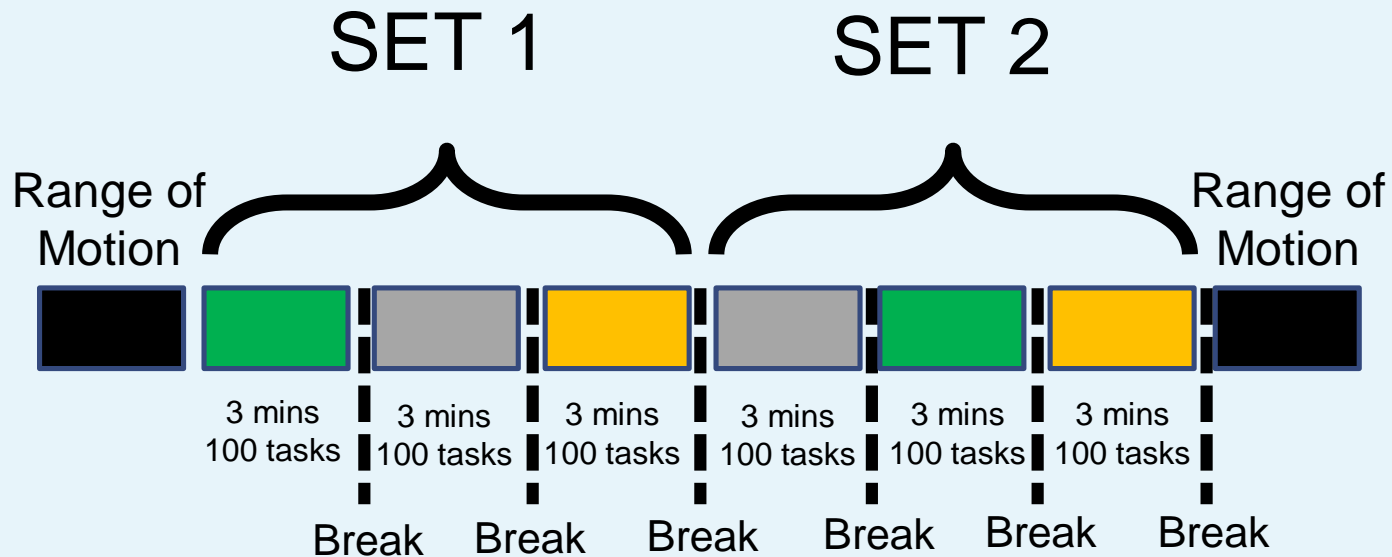


Protocol Timeline

 Unilateral – One Hand

 Bilateral – Both Hands, same direction

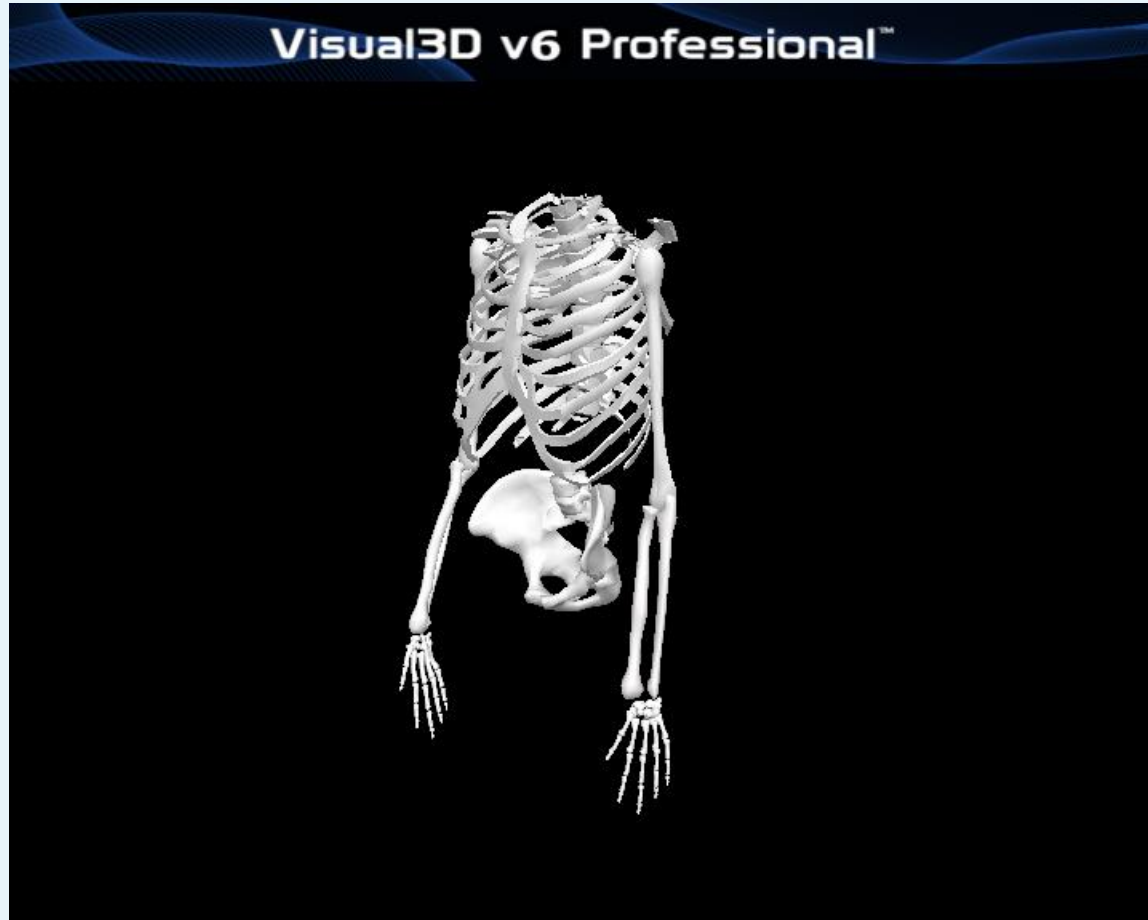
 Bilateral – Both Hands, opposite direction



Protocols submitted to health and safety board (IRB), awaiting IRB approval



Data Visualization

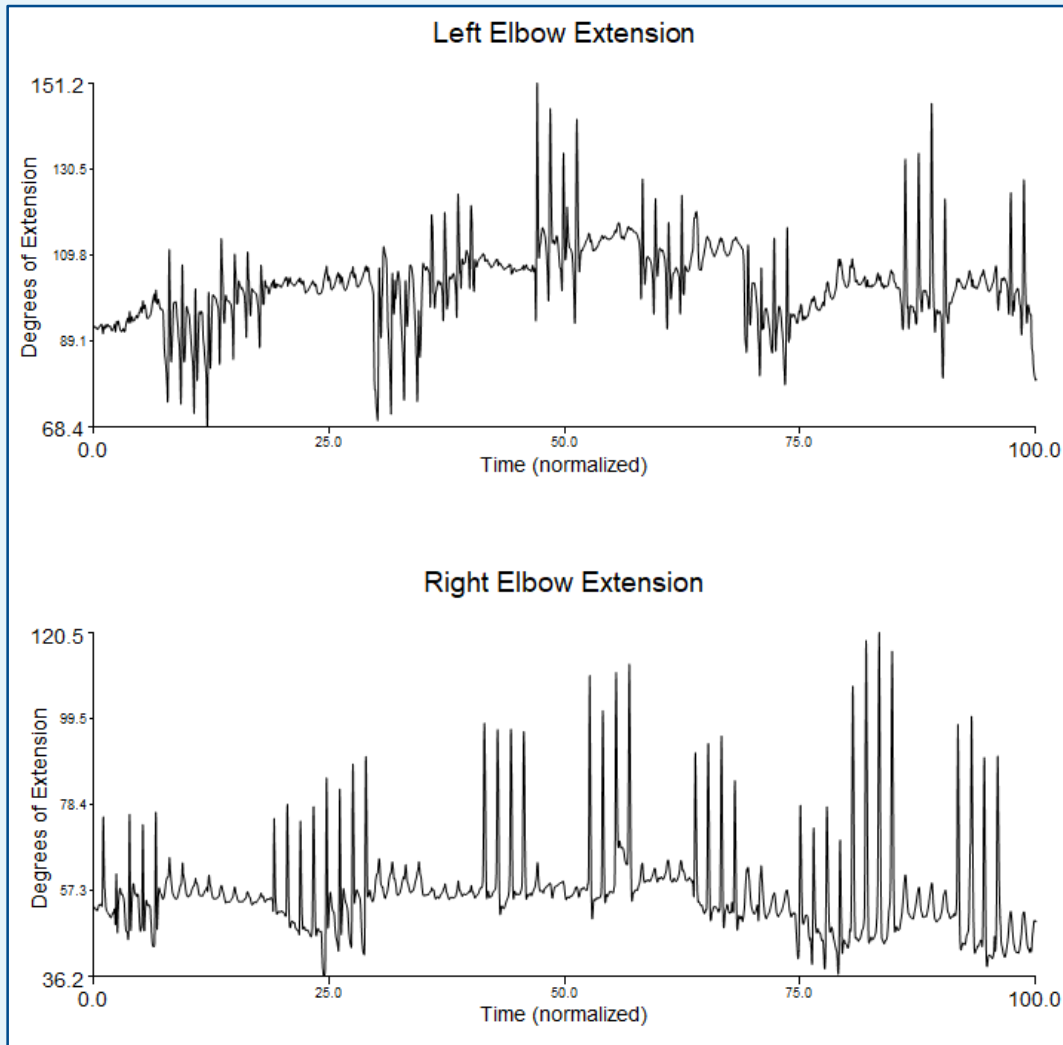


Metrics

- Shoulder
 - range of motion and joint speed
- Elbow
- Wrist
- End Point – what the hand is doing



Unilateral Elbow Extension



180° Fully Straight

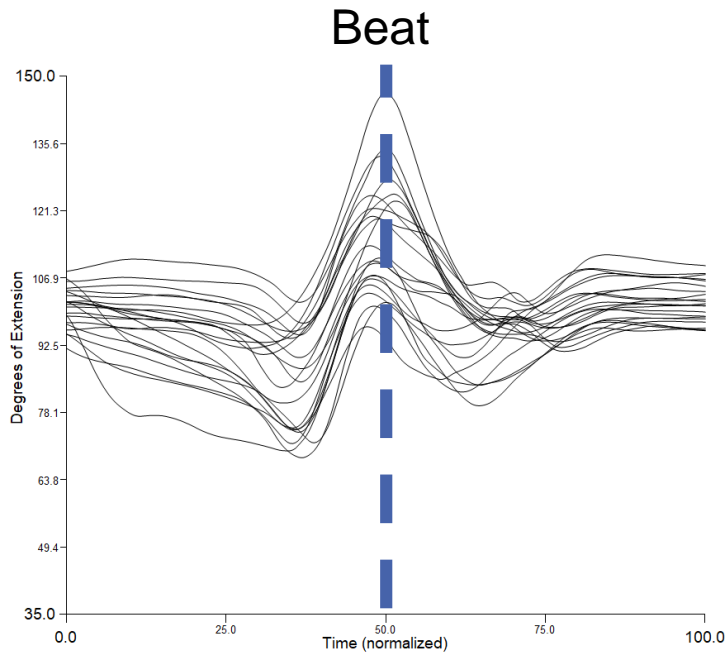


~80° Partially Bent



MS01 (Left Side Impaired)

Beat Profile (Left High)

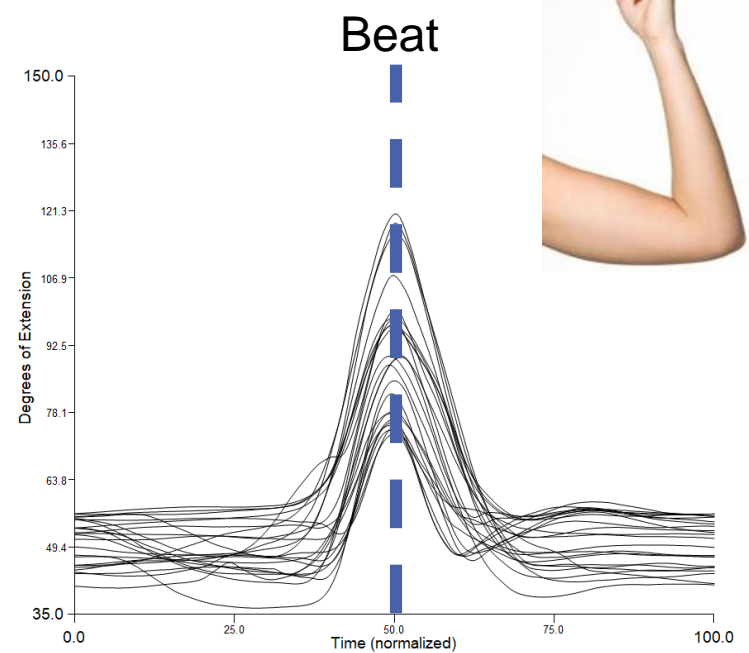


Impaired Side

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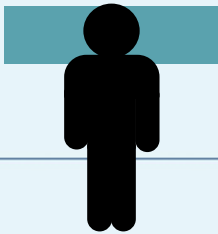
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Beat Profile (Right High)



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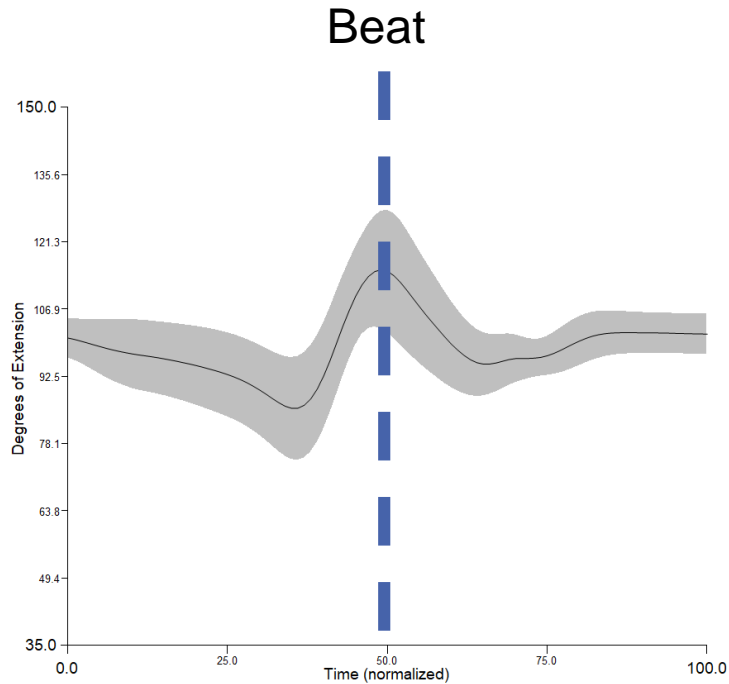
Shoulder-Height Blocks



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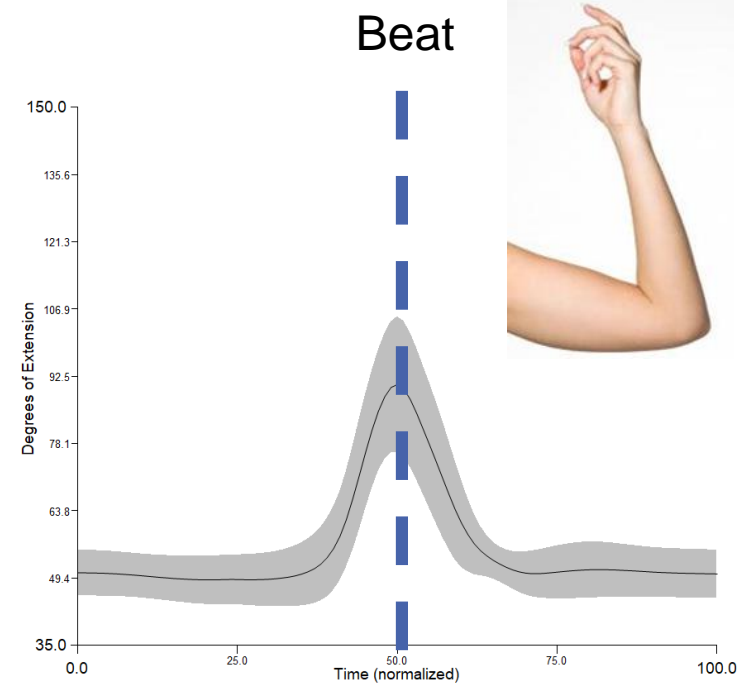


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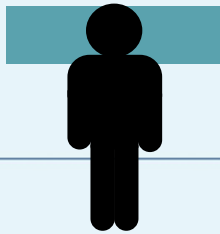
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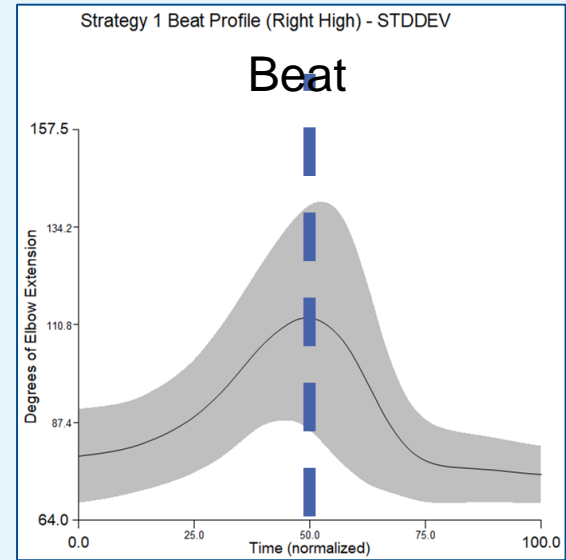
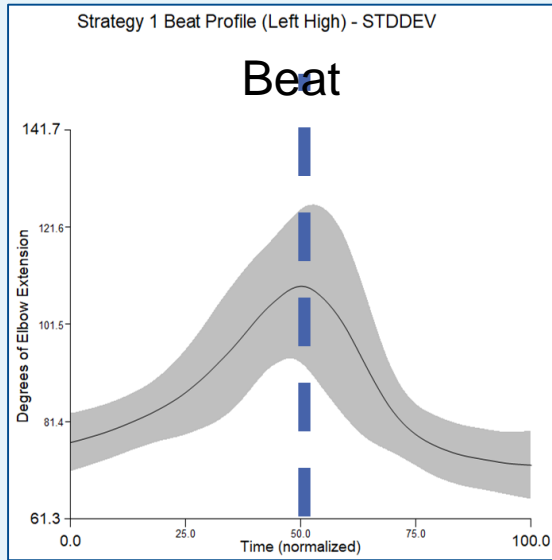


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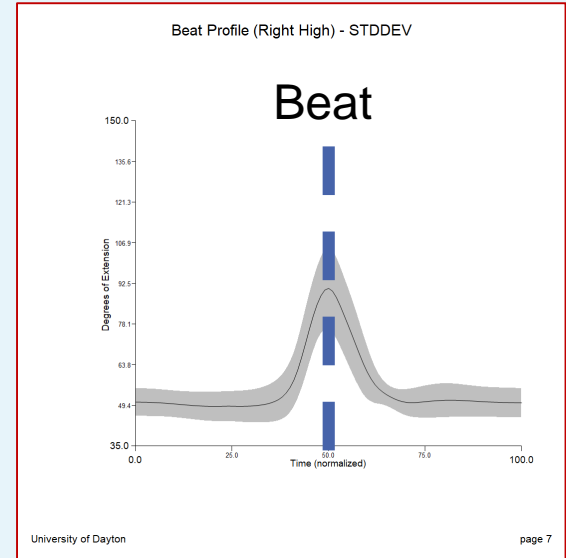
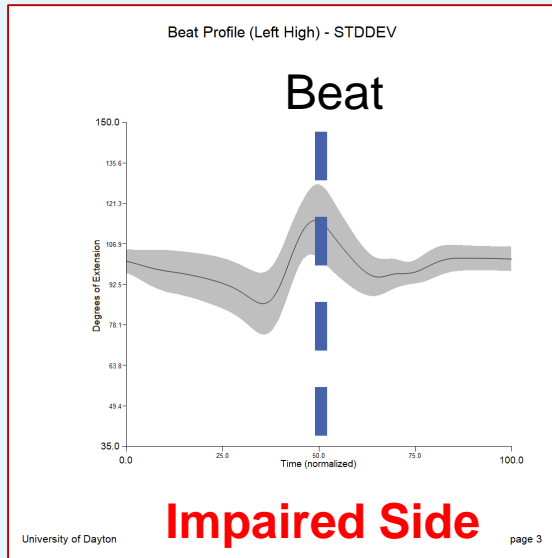


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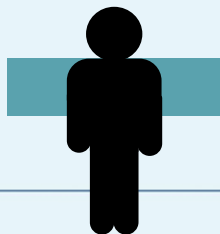
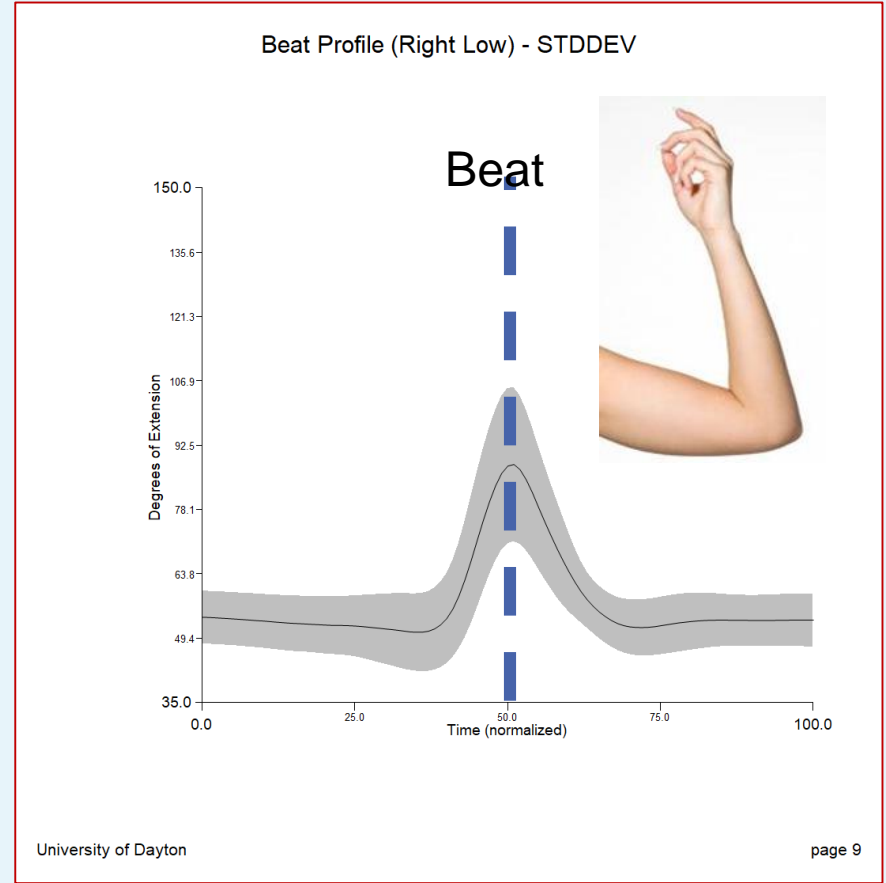
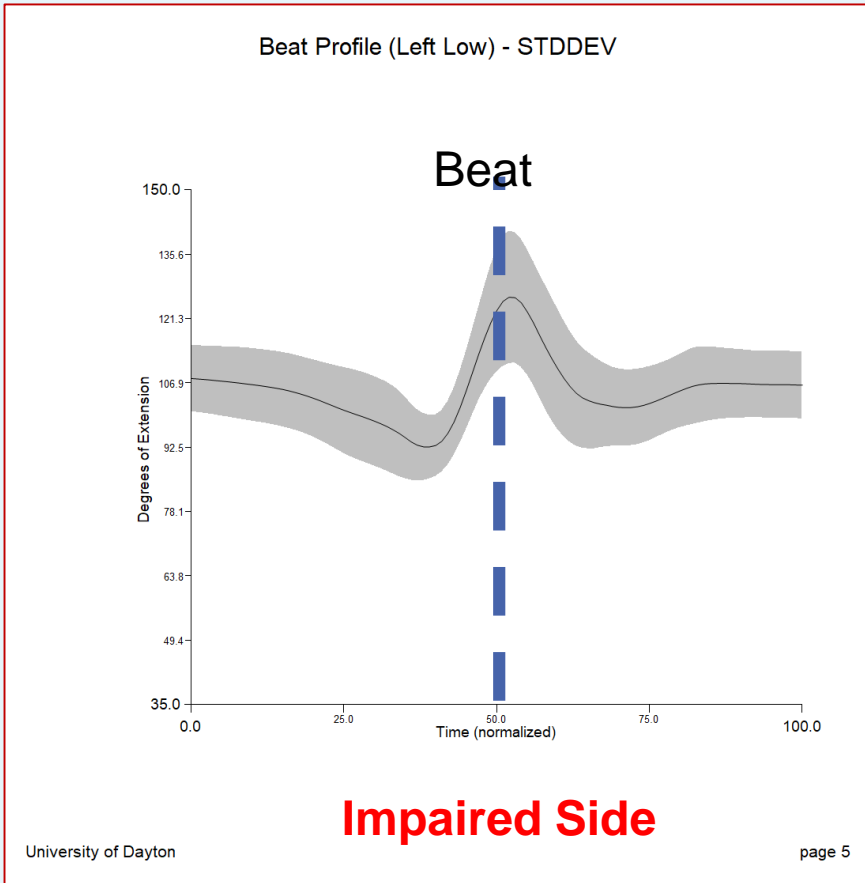
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Group



MS01



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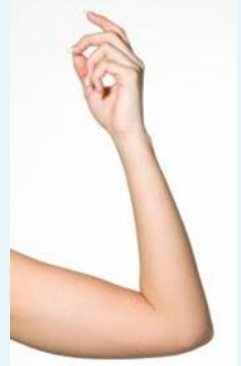
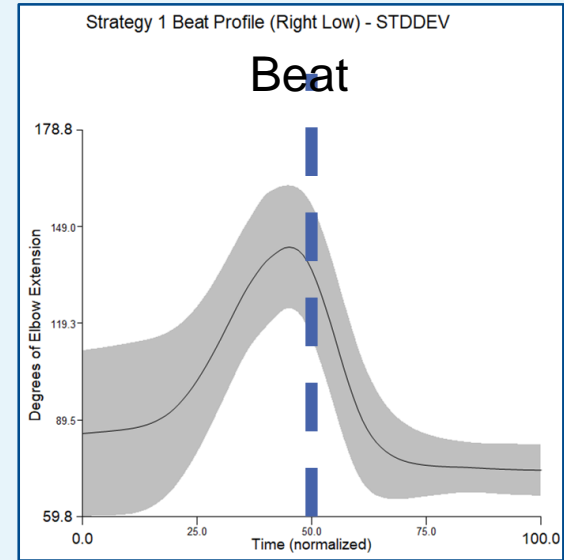
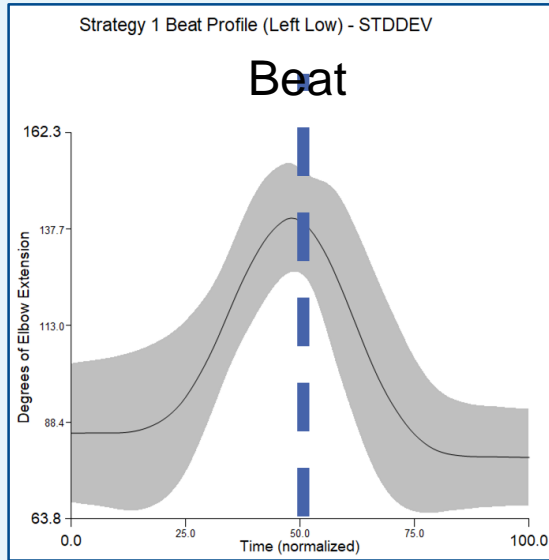


Elbow-Height Blocks

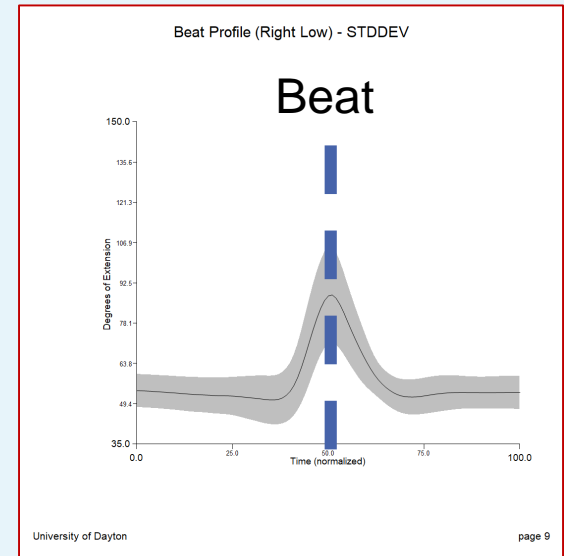
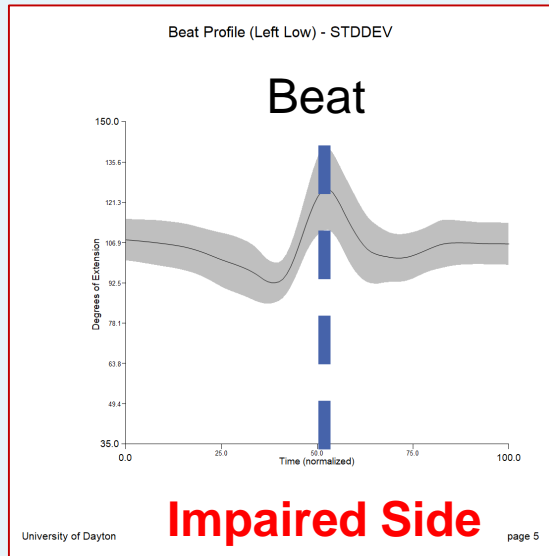


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Future Work

- IRB Final Revisions
- Recruitment
- Proceed with testing
- Analyze joint kinematics
- Data processing



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