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Lameness Detection in Sheep Through Behavioural Sensor Data Analysis

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Problem Statement:

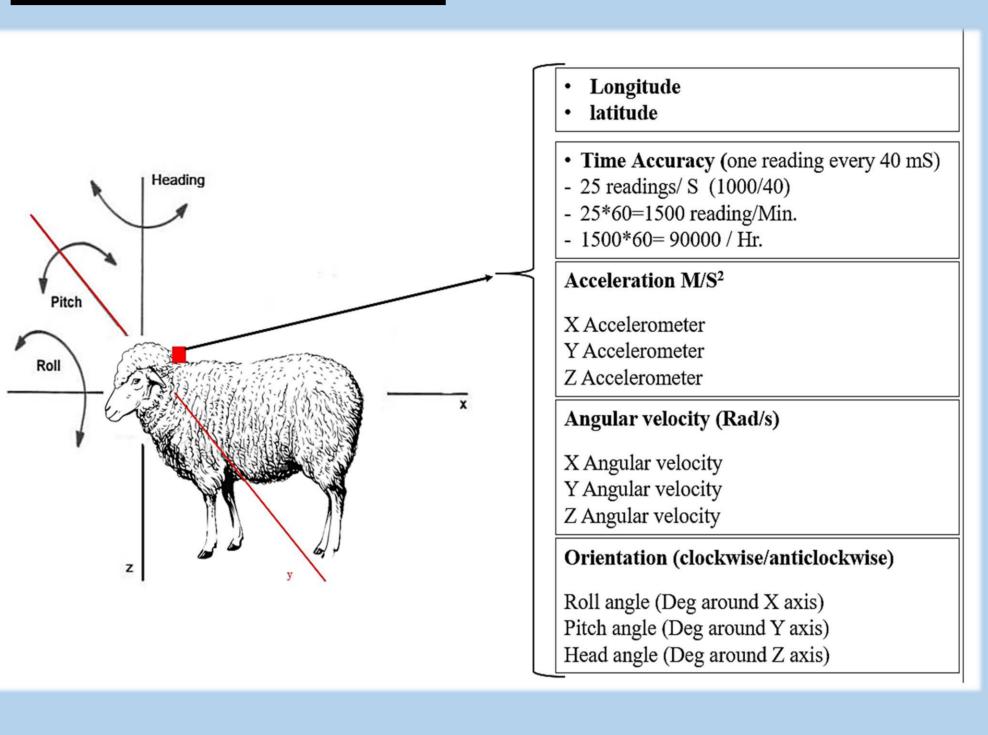
Lameness is an abnormal gait or stance that is usually caused by footroot. It has a negative impact on sheep industry and farm productivity in the UK. Therefore, preclinical detection of lameness at the farm will increase the level protection.



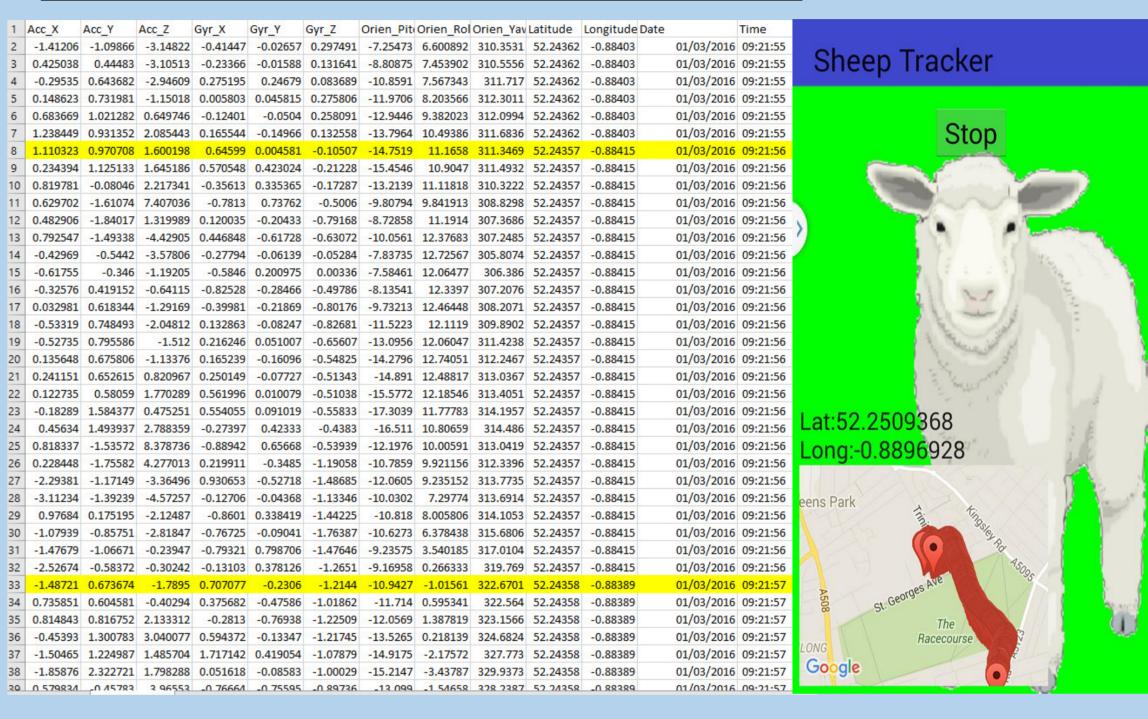
Aims:

Develop an automated model to early detect lameness in sheep by analysing the data that will be retrieved from a mounted sensor on the sheep neck collar. This will help the shepherd to identify the lame sheep for better prevent from worse situations of trimming or even culling the sheep.

Data collection:



Prototype type sensor data:



Methodology

Build behavioral Classification model (develop a decision tree)



data set

Algorithm **Enhancement** (parameter readjustment)

Measure the model performance with test



Ethical Evidence:

An ethical approval has been obtained from Moulton College/ Lodge farm; the place where the research will be conducted.

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