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Robots for Disabilities Leapmotion Testing for Accuracy as an Input Method for Robotic Surgery

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Robotic Surgery

- **Developed to address issues with traditional surgery techniques**
 - increase dexterity/precision
 - reduce recovery time
 - reduce physiologic tremors
- **Ability to perform surgery remotely**
 - battlefield for wounded soldiers
 - transcontinental for specialized surgery reaching more patients
- **Limited long-term studies to truly understand benefits/disadvantages**



**TABLE 1.** Advantages and Disadvantages of Conventional Laparoscopic Surgery Versus Robot-Assisted Surgery

	Conventional Laparoscopic surgery	Robot-assisted surgery
Advantages	Well-developed technology Affordable and ubiquitous Proven efficacy	3-D visualization Improved dexterity Seven degrees of freedom Elimination of fulcrum effect Elimination of physiologic tremors Ability to scale motions Micro-anastomoses possible Tele-surgery Ergonomic position
Disadvantages	Loss of touch sensation Loss of 3-D visualization Compromised dexterity Limited degrees of motion The fulcrum effect Amplification of physiologic tremors	Absence of touch sensation Very expensive High start-up cost May require extra staff to operate New technology Unproven benefit



Surgical Robots

- **Current end effector manipulation accomplished by use of a joystick-like controller**
- **A more intuitive, hands-free method has potential for ease-of-use**

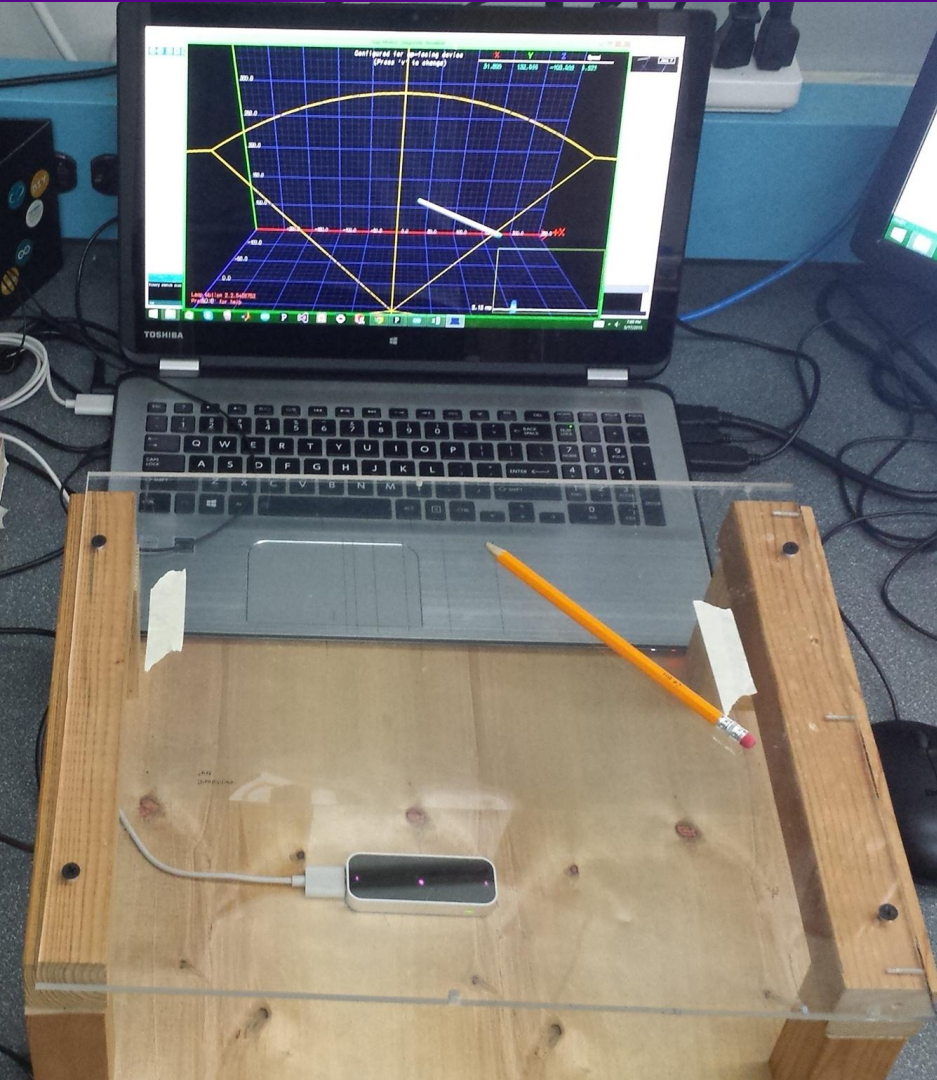




Project Goals

- **Examine the accuracy of position measurements made by the Leapmotion sensor**
- **Control a robotic arm utilizing the Leapmotion sensor as the input**





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Leapmotion



Leap Motion

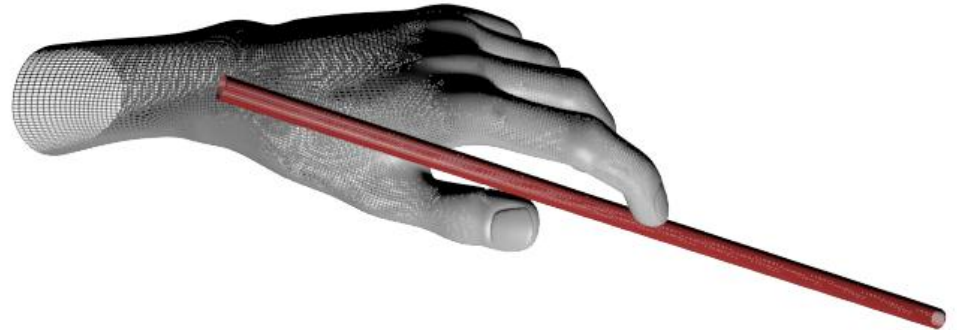
- **Two monochromatic IR cameras**
- **Tracks infrared light (850 nm) projected onto hands**
- **8 ft³ of interaction space**
- **Image processing**
- **Tracking algorithm infers hand position and orientation**





Tool tracking

- Tracks the tip of a “tool”
- A pencil is used in this study
- Data is only used once the z-component reaches the threshold
- Tool requirements:
 - longer, thinner, and straighter than a finger
 - Cylindrical



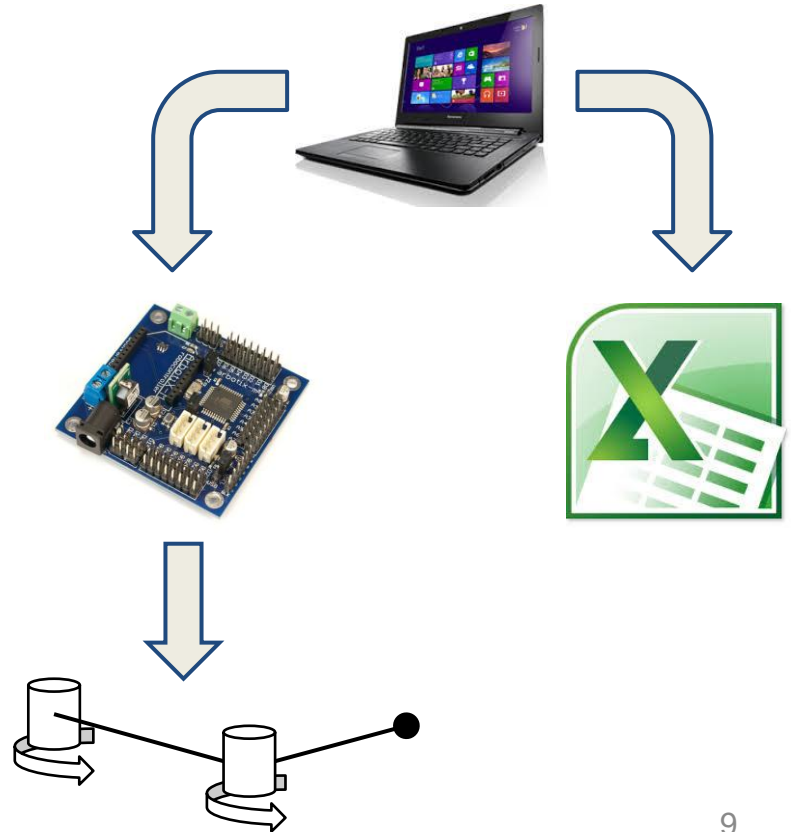
A tool is longer, thinner, and straighter than a finger.

Only thin, cylindrical objects are tracked as tools.



Hardware Communication

- Leap Motion data is accessed through processing
- Robotic Arm
 - Tip position is sent to the arbotiX-M Robocontroller through Serial Com.
- Data Collection
 - Text-files created are exported for analysis in excel

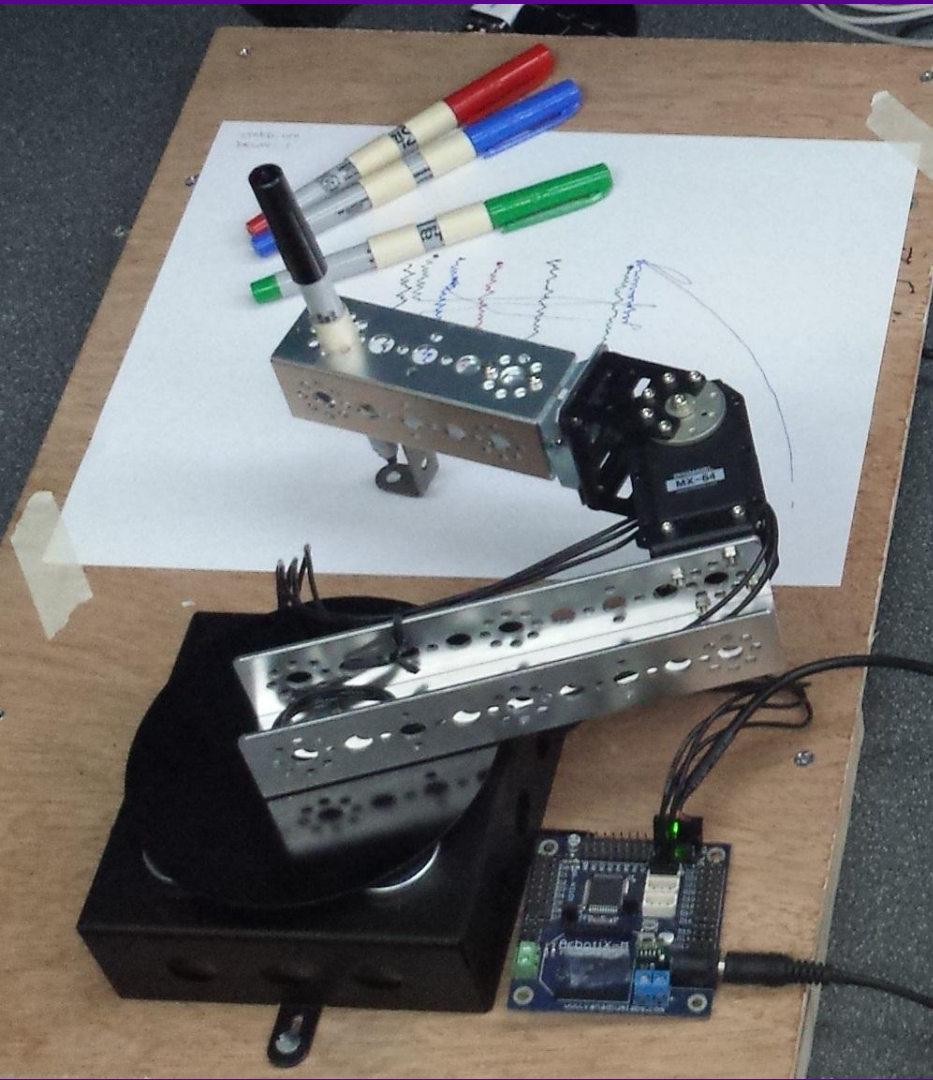




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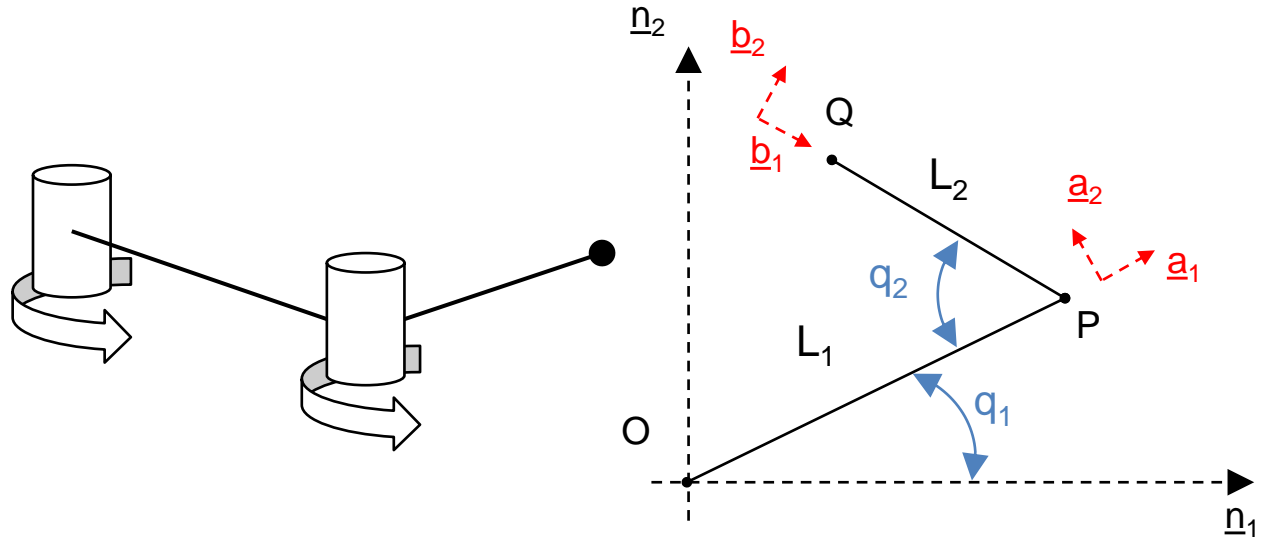
Robotic Arm



Forward Kinematics

- Diagram
- Transformation matrices
- End effector equation

Inverse Kinematics



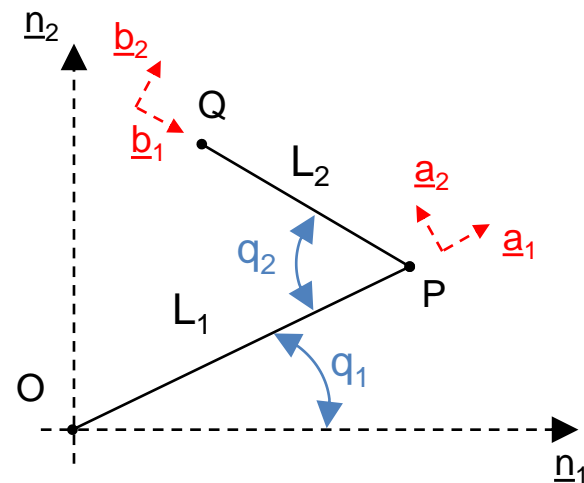


Rotation matrices:

${}^N R^A$	\underline{a}_1	\underline{a}_2	${}^A R^B$	\underline{b}_1	\underline{b}_2
\underline{n}_1	c_1	$-s_1$	\underline{a}_1	c_2	s_2
\underline{n}_2	s_1	c_1	\underline{a}_2	$-s_2$	c_2

$${}^N R^B = {}^N R^A \cdot {}^A R^B$$

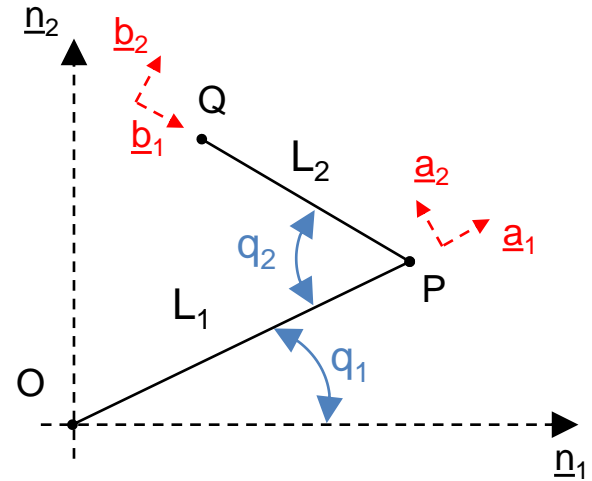
${}^N R^B$	\underline{b}_1	\underline{b}_2	${}^N R^B$	\underline{b}_1	\underline{b}_2
\underline{n}_1	$c_1 c_2 + s_1 s_2$	$c_1 s_2 - c_2 s_1$	\underline{n}_1	c_{1-2}	s_{2-1}
\underline{n}_2	$c_2 s_1 - c_1 s_2$	$s_1 s_2 + c_1 c_2$	\underline{n}_2	s_{1-2}	c_{12}





End effector:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{r}^{Q/O} &= \underline{r}^{P/O} + \underline{r}^{Q/P} = L_1 \underline{a}_1 - L_2 \underline{b}_1 \\ &= L_1 c_1 \underline{n}_1 + L_1 s_1 \underline{n}_2 - L_2 c_{1-2} \underline{n}_1 - \\ &\quad L_2 s_{1-2} \underline{n}_2 \\ X &= L_1 c_1 - L_2 c_{1-2} \\ y &= L_1 s_1 - L_2 s_{1-2} \end{aligned}$$



${}^{NR^A}$	\underline{a}_1	\underline{a}_2	${}^{NR^B}$	\underline{b}_1	\underline{b}_2
\underline{n}_1	c_1	$-s_1$	\underline{n}_1	c_{1-2}	s_{2-1}
\underline{n}_2	s_1	c_1	\underline{n}_2	s_{1-2}	c_{12}



Inverse Kinematics:

$$\beta = \text{atan2}(x_c, y_c)$$

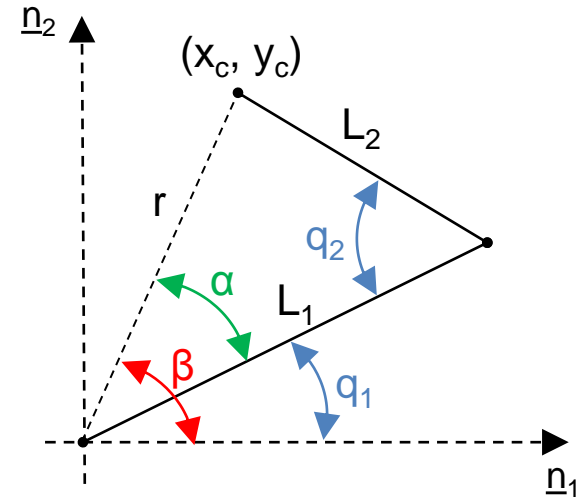
$$q_1 = \beta - \alpha$$

$$\alpha = \text{acos}\left(\frac{r^2 + L_1^2 - L_2^2}{2rL_1}\right)$$

$$r^2 = x_c^2 + y_c^2$$

$$q_1 = \text{atan2}(x_c, y_c) - \text{acos}\left(\frac{x_c^2 + y_c^2 + L_1^2 - L_2^2}{\pm 2L_1\sqrt{x_c^2 + y_c^2}}\right)$$

$$q_2 = \text{acos}\left(\frac{L_1^2 + L_2^2 - x_c^2 - y_c^2}{2L_1L_2}\right)$$





Processing Code:

- Acquires tip position from Leapmotion
- Maps values for graphical interface
- Sends position information to Arbotix

```
for (Map.Entry entry : toolPositions.entrySet())
{
  Integer toolId = (Integer) entry.getKey();
  Vector position = (Vector) entry.getValue();

  if(position.getY() <= 155.0){
    fill(toolColors.get(toolId));
    noStroke();

    xPos = round(position.getX());
    yPos = (-1)*round(position.getZ());

    //output.println(position.getX() + "\t" + (-1)*position.getZ()); // write coordinates to a file

    if(xPos >= -300 && xPos <= 300){
      xPos = xPos + 300;
    } else{
      if(xPos < -300){
        xPos = 0;
      }
      else{
        if(xPos > 300){
          xPos = 600;
        }
      }
    }
  }

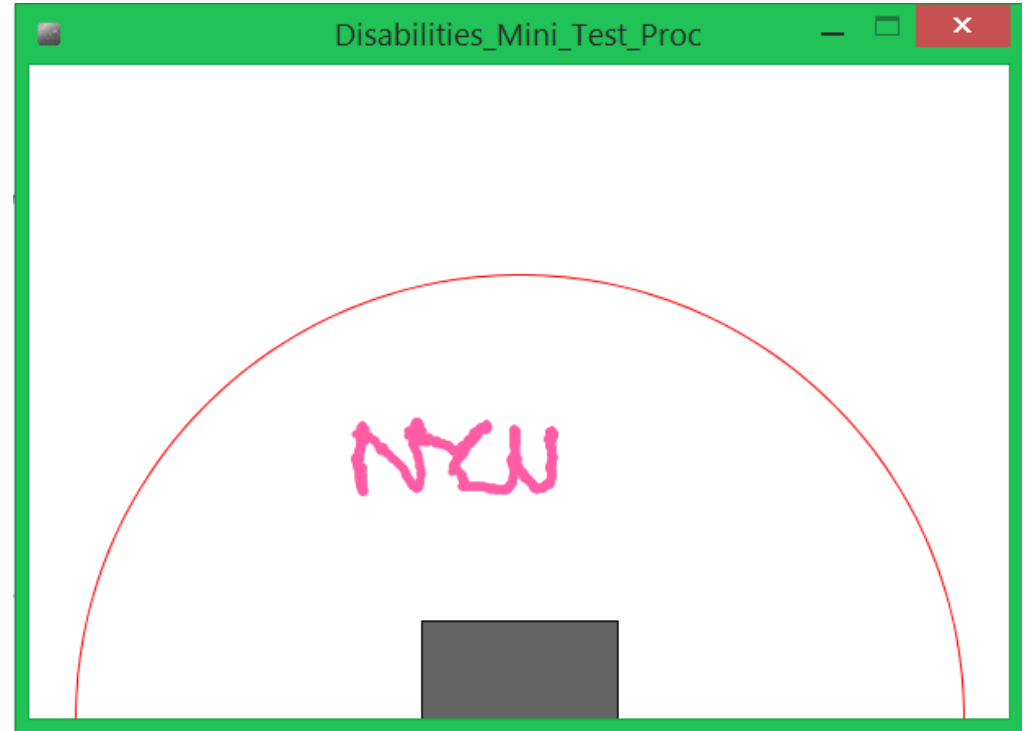
  ellipse((xPos), (400 - yPos), 5.0, 5.0);

  val[0] = byte(xPos/256);
  val[1] = byte(xPos%256);
  val[2] = byte(yPos/256);
  val[3] = byte(yPos%256);
}
```



Graphical Interface:

- **Grey box - motor mount**
- **Red line - extension limit of arm**
- **Colored line - tracked tip position**



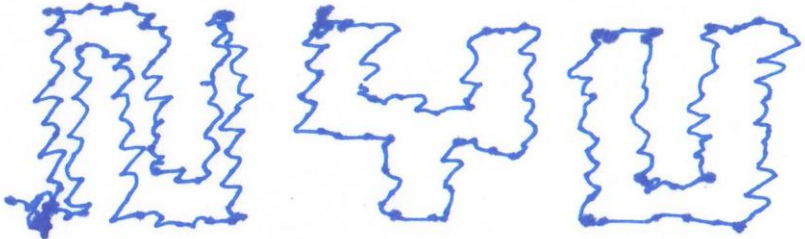
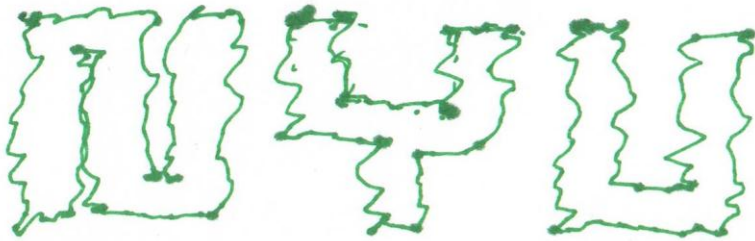


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Drawing Results





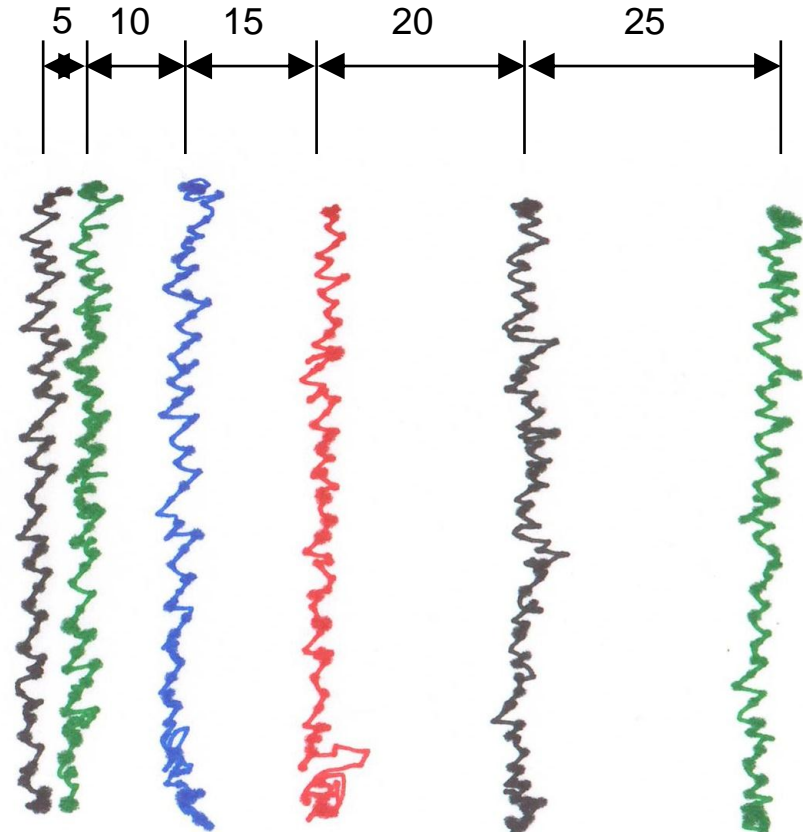
Parameter testing:

Motor Speed: ~2.20rpm

Delay: 10ms

Observation: choppy output

Change: increase motor speed





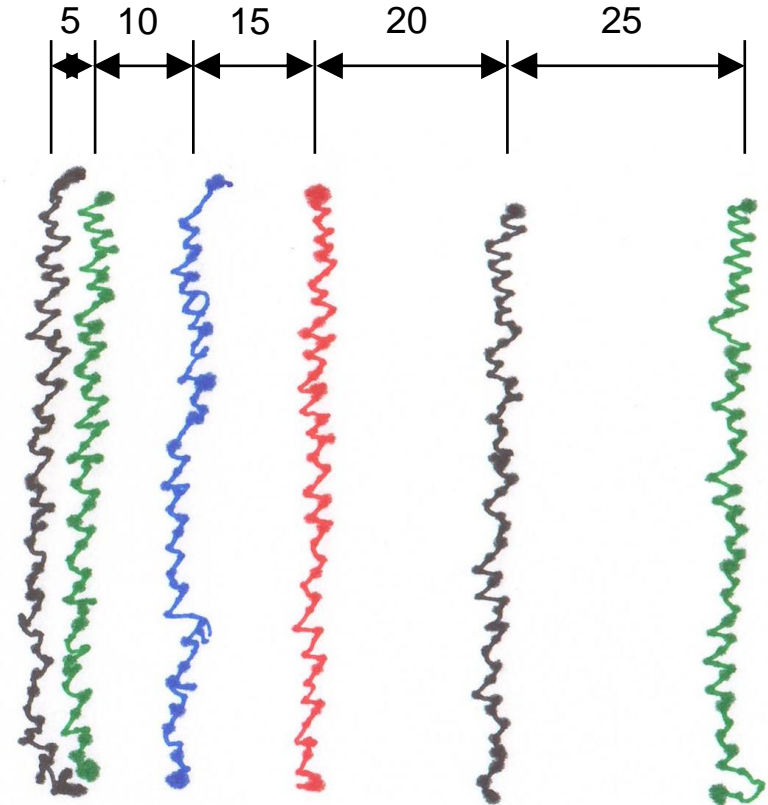
Parameter testing:

Motor Speed: ~8.79rpm

Delay: 10ms

Observation: no noticeable change

Change: reduce delay time





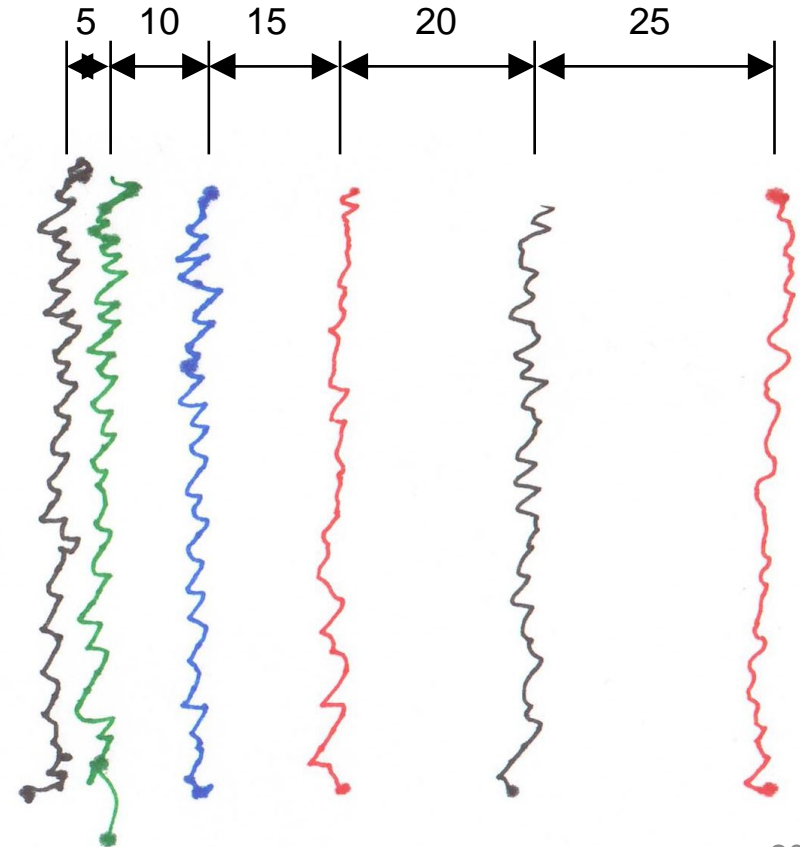
Parameter testing:

Motor Speed: ~4.39rpm

Delay: 5ms

Observation: slightly smoother lines at higher tip speed

Change: increase path accuracy between points (future)





L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S
avg left			15mm				xavg l
4.9319	170			-32.8063	154.4934		-33.1
4.9319	70			-32.7319	154.4374		-33.1
				-32.6881	154.4478		
std dev left				-32.7167	154.5047		std dev l
413463				-32.7167	154.5047		0.516
4.5184	160			-32.7037	154.3256		-32.7
4.5184	80			-32.7134	154.2357		-32.7
				-32.6746	154.1254		
5.3453	160			-32.6659	153.9924		-33.6
5.3453	80			-32.7651	154.1272		-33.6
				-32.752	154.1917		
avg right				-32.6257	154.0738		xavg r
061166	170			-32.557	153.9339		-17.0
061166	70			-32.5834	153.9753		-17.0
				-32.6673	154.0392		
std dev right				-32.6203	153.9777		std dev r
842119				-32.5885	153.9294		0.859
403284	160			-32.6154	153.77		-16.1
403284	80			-32.5834	153.7028		-16.1
				-32.5496	153.6898		
719047	160			-32.5251	153.6742		-17.8
719047	80			-32.4945	153.6359		-17.8
				-32.4341	153.5462		
distance				-32.3428	153.4329		distance
99303				-32.3256	153.3611		16.1

Sensor Results



Experimental set up:

•Coordinate resolution

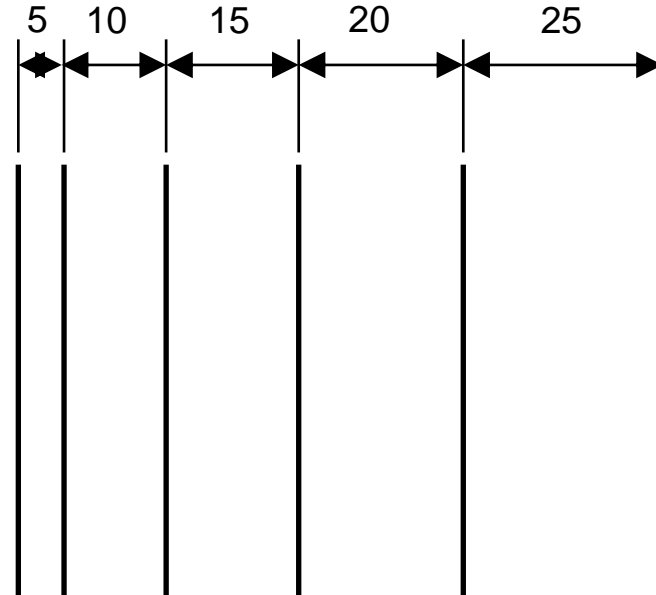
- Coordinates are provided in mm's

•Series of two lines

- 25, 20, 15, 10, and 5mm apart
- Mean of x-position
- Standard deviation of x-position

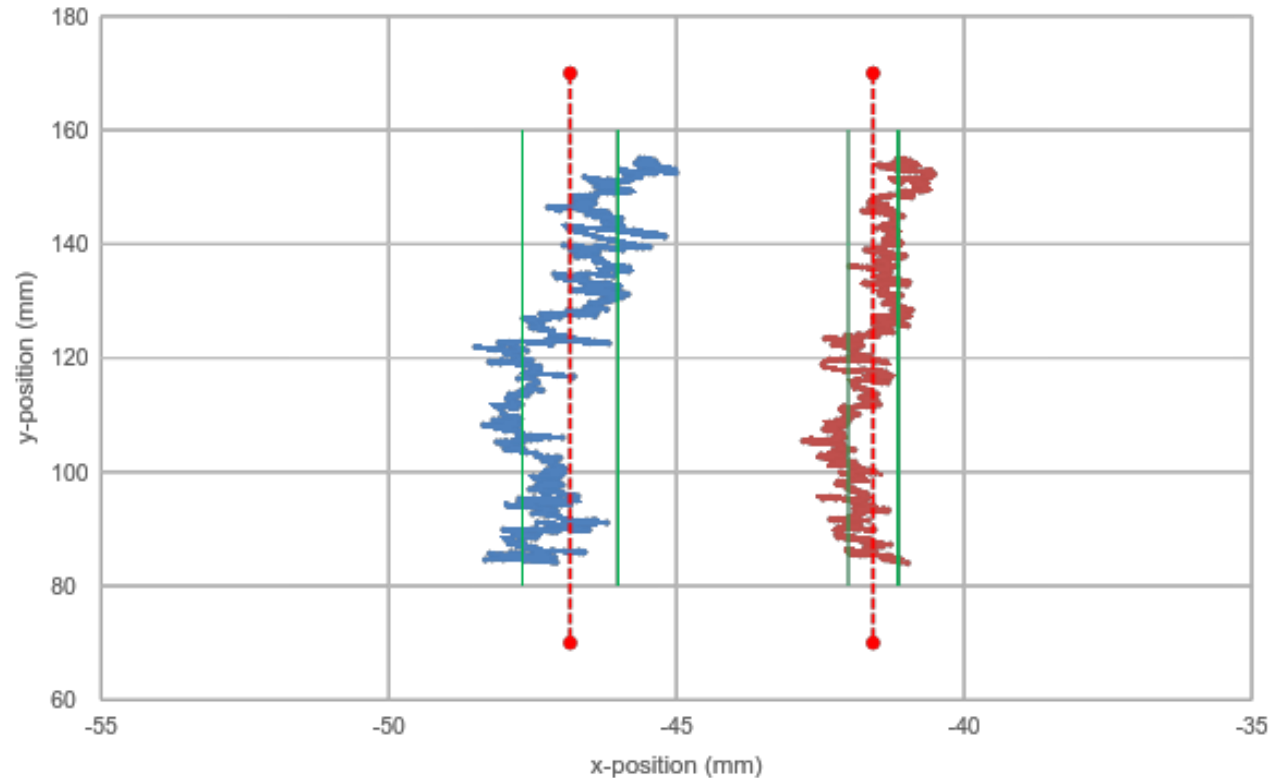
•Comparison

- Comparing the measured distance to average distance from the leap





5mm Spacing

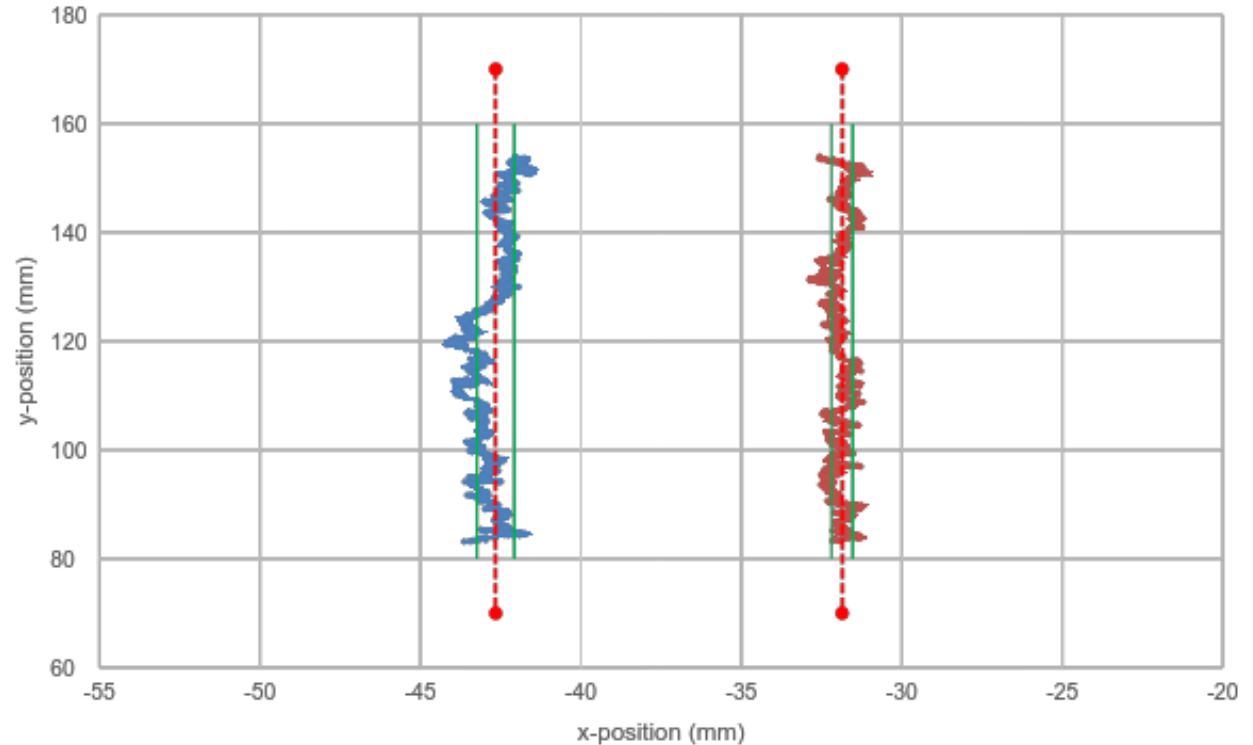


Distance (mean):
5.26mm

Standard Deviation:
Left: 0.83mm
Right:
0.43mm



10mm Spacing

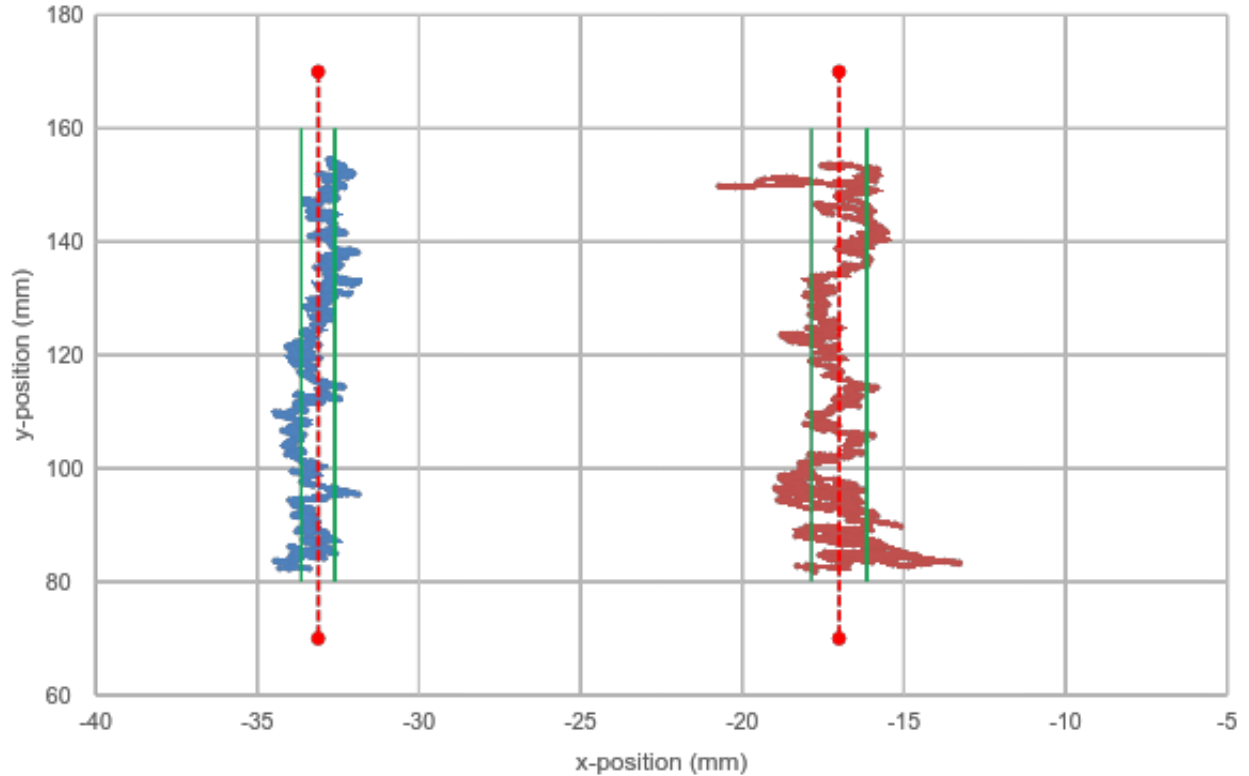


Distance (mean):
10.80mm

Standard Deviation:
Left: 0.59mm
Right:
0.33mm



15mm Spacing

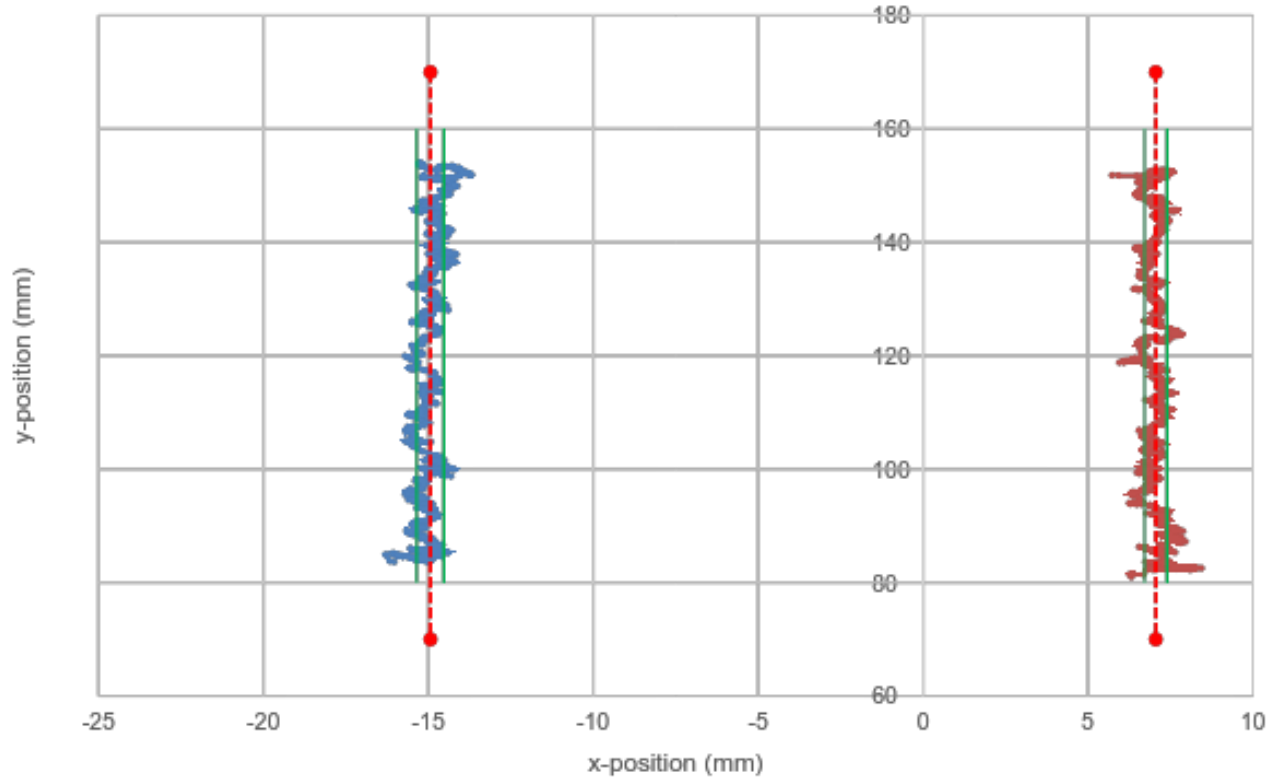


Distance (mean):
16.11mm

Standard Deviation:
Left: 0.52mm
Right:
0.86mm



20mm Spacing

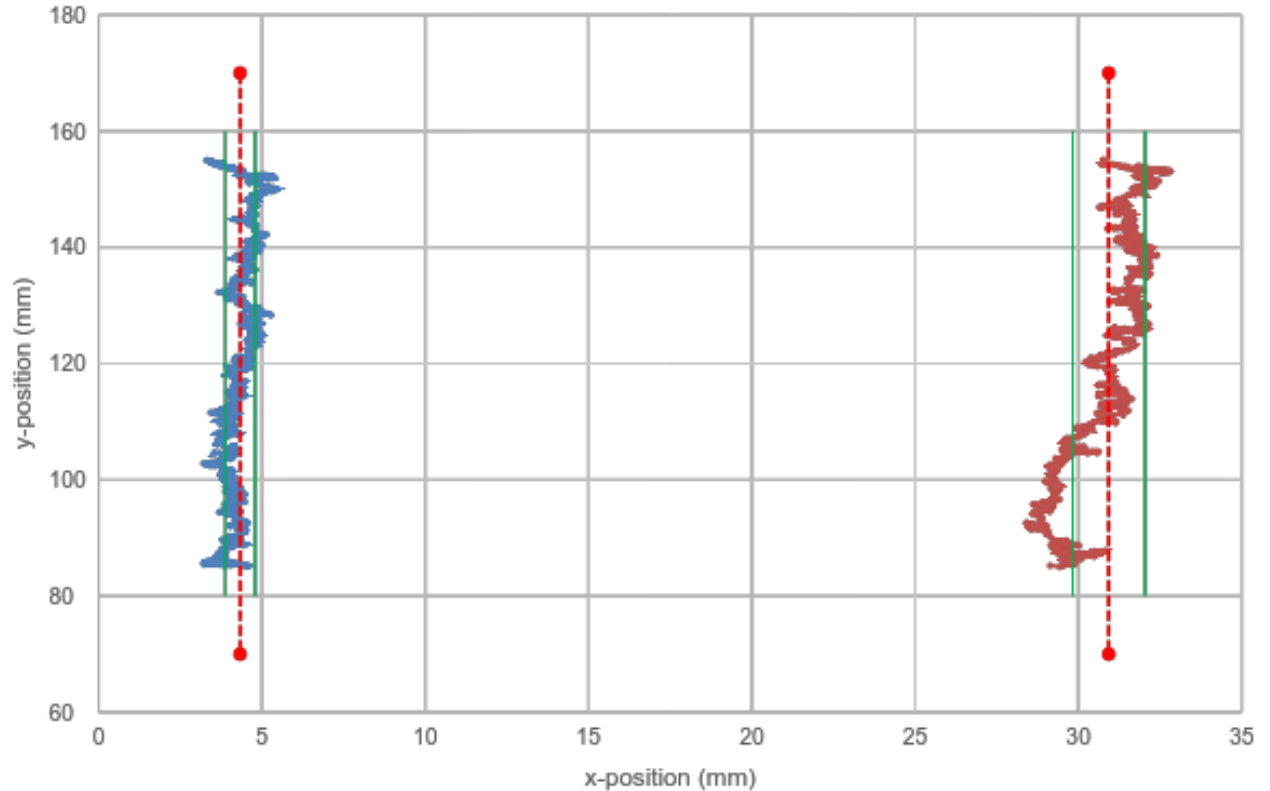


Distance (mean):
21.99mm

Standard Deviation:
Left: 0.41mm
Right:
0.34mm



25mm Spacing



Distance (mean):
26.60mm

Standard Deviation:
Left: 0.46mm
Right:
1.11mm



Problems

- **Robotic Arm**
 - **The path of the end effector between points is random**
 - **Does not provide smooth transition between data points**
 - **Tip position data is not smooth**
 - **Motor resolution provides limited accuracy**
- **Data Collected**
 - **Standard deviations are fairly large**
 - **Human error introduces significant effects on data**



Conclusion

- **The Leap Motion successfully controls the robotic arm through tool tracking**
 - **Results show a noisy output, implementing a filter would help**
 - **Implementing a dynamic controller (PD,PID..) would improve performance**
 - **Path planning could decrease error between data points**
- **Data collected from the sensor on average was within 1.5 mm of the actual distance**
 - **Not acceptable for robotic surgery needs**