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DETECTING PARKINSON'S DISEASE

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PROBLEM STATEMENT AND MOTIVATION

The aim of our project is to detect **Parkinson's Disease** from keyboard typing timing and patterns.

By providing a quick and accurate early diagnosis of the disease, quality of life can be improved.

AFFECTS

1 IN 500

PEOPLE IN CANADA



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- ▶ Parkinson's Disease is a degenerative disorder which affects the nervous system
- ▶ Its cause is not clearly understood and no cures exist yet
- ▶ No laboratory test exists to diagnose Parkinson's Disease, have to see a specialist



THE DATA

Participants used an installed software program, “Tappy”, that monitored and tracked keystrokes during normal computer use

- ▶ Data collected from 217 participants
 - ▷ 162 patients experiencing mild to severe Parkinson’s Disease
 - ▷ 55 patients for control
- ▶ 34, 171 keystrokes recorded on average per participant



THE FEATURES

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Left hand
keys captured



Right hand
keys captured

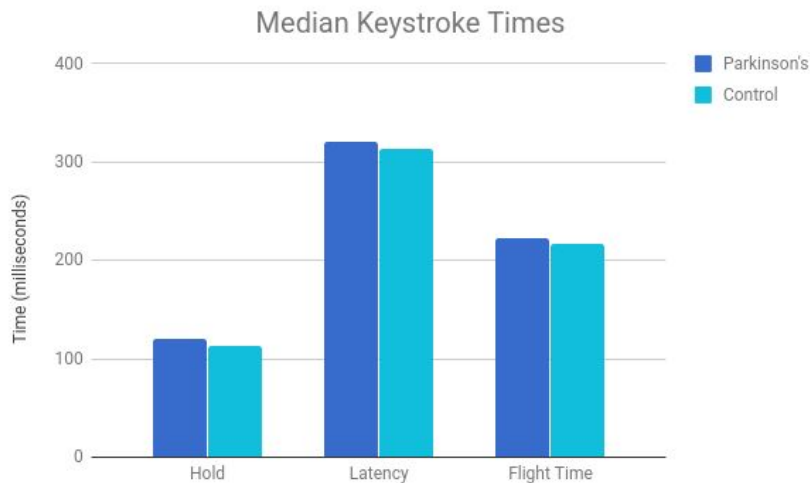
All other keys were excluded from capture,
except the Spacebar.

- DIRECTION
- HOLD
- LATENCY
- FLIGHT TIME



VISUALIZING THE VARIABLES

- ▶ As expected, slightly increased keystroke times over all variables for those with Parkinson's Disease
- ▶ Difference was not found to be statistically significant
- ▶ May be a potential challenge





NEXT STEPS ...

APPLY
MACHINE
LEARNING
MODELS
(next week)



OPTIMIZE
PERFORMANCE
WITH CREATED
FEATURES
(next 2 weeks)



DETECT IN
REAL-TIME
(next 3
weeks)

DONE!

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THANK YOU.

QUESTIONS?