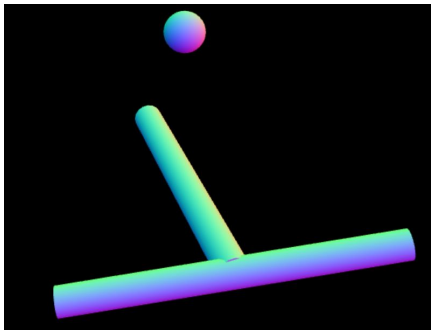




LUMBACARE

Designing a wearable system that tracks and visualizes the movements of joints using IMU sensor for patients during rehabilitation, with integrated pattern detection to improve recovery.



ORIGIN STORY

Injured Playing Soccer

Grade 3 ACL tear
Full Meniscus tear
Partial MCL & PCL Tear

Started LumbaCare

Inspired by recovery journey
Outdated Rehab Equipment
Room for improvement through technology

**April
2025**

**September
2023**

**June
2023**

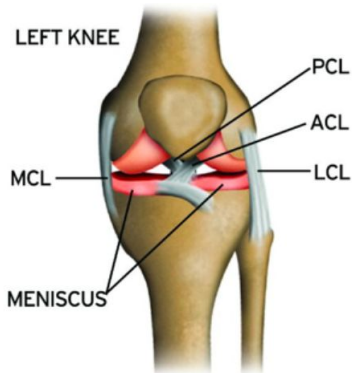
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Started Rehab

Beginning of a long recovery journey

Proof-of-Concept Prototype 1

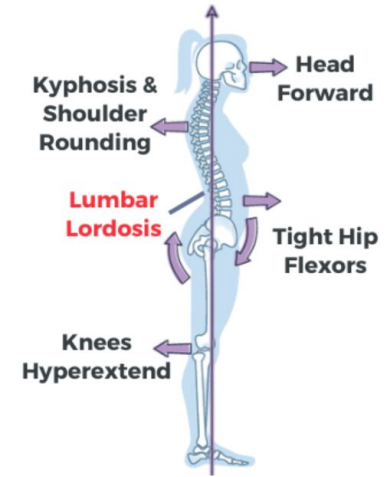
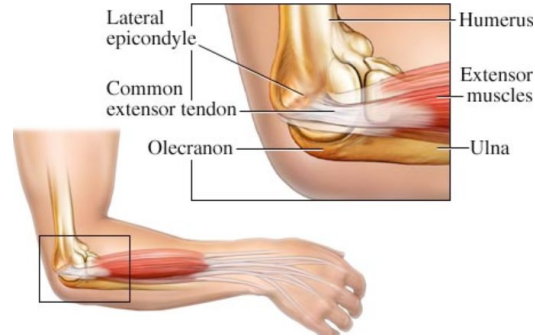
LumbaCare today
Measures joint movements
ML model to learn user movement
Prevents Harmful movement
Encourages healthy recovery



SCALE OF THE ISSUE

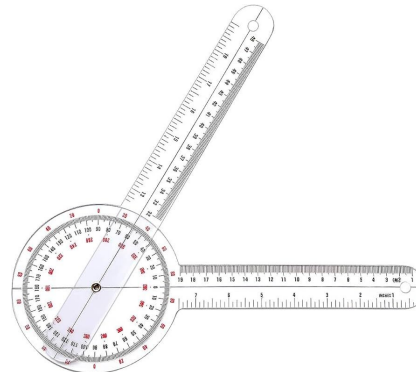
JOINT-RELATED ISSUES

- Knee related: ACL injury
- Back Issues: Lordosis & Kyphosis
- Shoulder
- Hip



MEASUREMENT TECHNOLOGIES

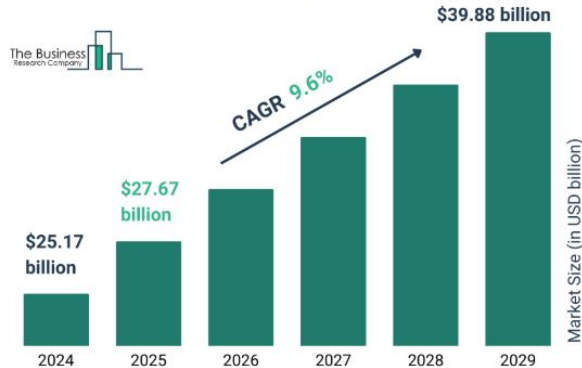
- Goniometer
 - Accuracy +/- 7 degrees
 - Difficult set up/Learning curve
 - Requires at least 2 users
- Dynamometer
 - Highly Accurate
 - Difficult setup
 - Requires at least 2 users



NEED FOR CHANGE

- Increasing Rehabilitation Demand
 - More patients requiring timely intervention
- Outdated Equipment
 - Contributes to slow recovery and inadequate monitoring
- Limited Therapy Time
 - Patients spend only **11.8 minutes** with therapists
- Physical Therapy market growing at CAGR 9%
 - Creating scope for technology & innovation

Physical Therapy Rehabilitation Global Market Report 2025



How Physicians Are Spending Their Time Per Patient



11.8 minutes

Interacting directly with a patient during a visit



8.3 minutes

Interacting with the EHR system during a patient visit



10.6 minutes

Interacting with the EHR system outside of a patient visit



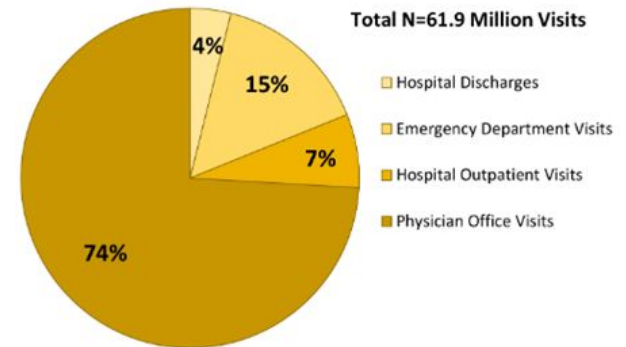
18.9

Total time spent in EHR



62%

of time spent in the EHR per patient



LUMBACARE



MACHINE LEARNING PREDICTIVE MODEL

Prevents harmful movements and
learn patient recovery trends



JOINT TRACKING

Monitors joint angles and
motion



HAPTIC FEEDBACK

Provides real-time sensory
guidance for proper
movement

QUATERNION-BASED ORIENTATION

$$q = [q_w, q_x, q_y, q_z]$$

$$q_w^2 + q_x^2 + q_y^2 + q_z^2 = 1$$



UNIT QUATERNION

$$q = \left[\cos \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right), \mathbf{n} \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right] \text{ ROTATION ABOUT AXIS } \mathbf{n}$$

DERIVATION OF QUATERNION-BASED ORIENTATION

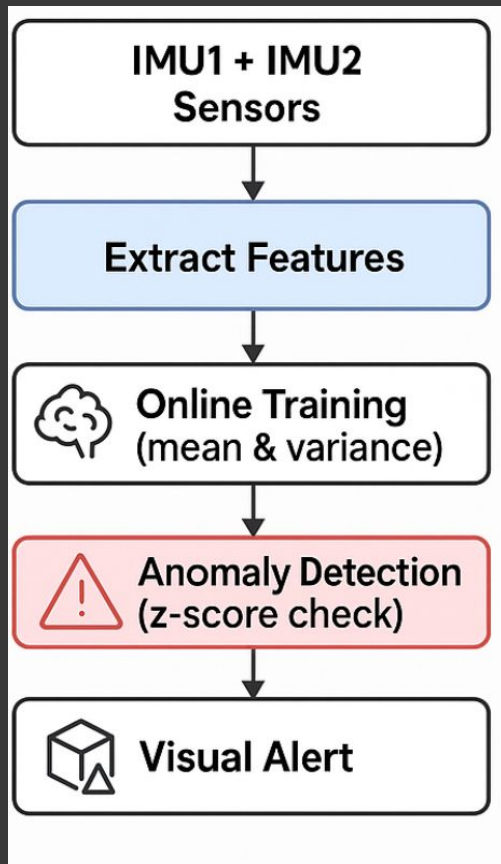
$$\theta = \kappa \ell$$

$$\mathbf{n} = [-\sin \phi, \cos \phi, 0]$$

$$q = \left[\cos \left(\frac{\kappa \ell}{2} \right), -\sin \phi \sin \left(\frac{\kappa \ell}{2} \right), \cos \phi \sin \left(\frac{\kappa \ell}{2} \right), 0 \right]$$

$$R(q) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2(q_y^2 + q_z^2) & 2(q_x q_y - q_w q_z) & 2(q_x q_z + q_w q_y) \\ 2(q_x q_y + q_w q_z) & 1 - 2(q_x^2 + q_z^2) & 2(q_y q_z - q_w q_x) \\ 2(q_x q_z - q_w q_y) & 2(q_y q_z + q_w q_x) & 1 - 2(q_x^2 + q_y^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

MACHINE LEARNING MODEL



Real-time machine learning algorithm to detect unusual joint motion based on live **IMU sensor data**.

Training Phase :

Collects data to compute mean (μ) and variance (var) for each feature.

Uses Welford's online algorithm for real-time stats:

- Incremental mean: $\mu[i] += (x - \mu[i]) / n_{\text{Seen}}$
- Variance: $\text{var}[i] += (x - \mu[i]) * (x - \mu[i])$

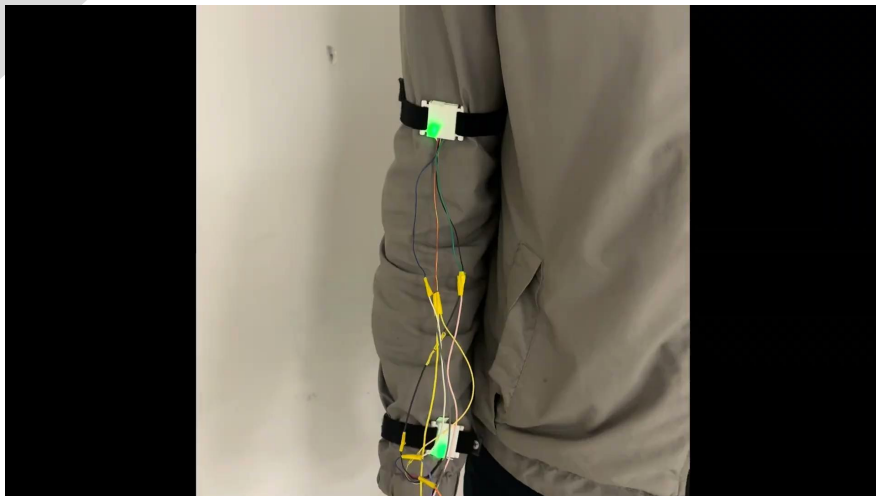
Detection Phase :

- Calculates Z-scores: $z = |x - \mu| / \sqrt{\text{var}}$
- Flags anomaly if Z-score $> Z_THRESHOLD$ (4.0)

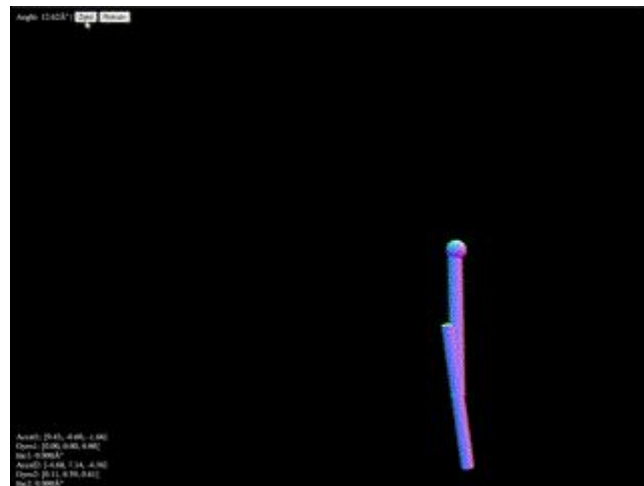
For our simulation,

- Data trained over 30 seconds
- Alerts if joint angle exceeds 30° (visual warning).

SIMULATIONS

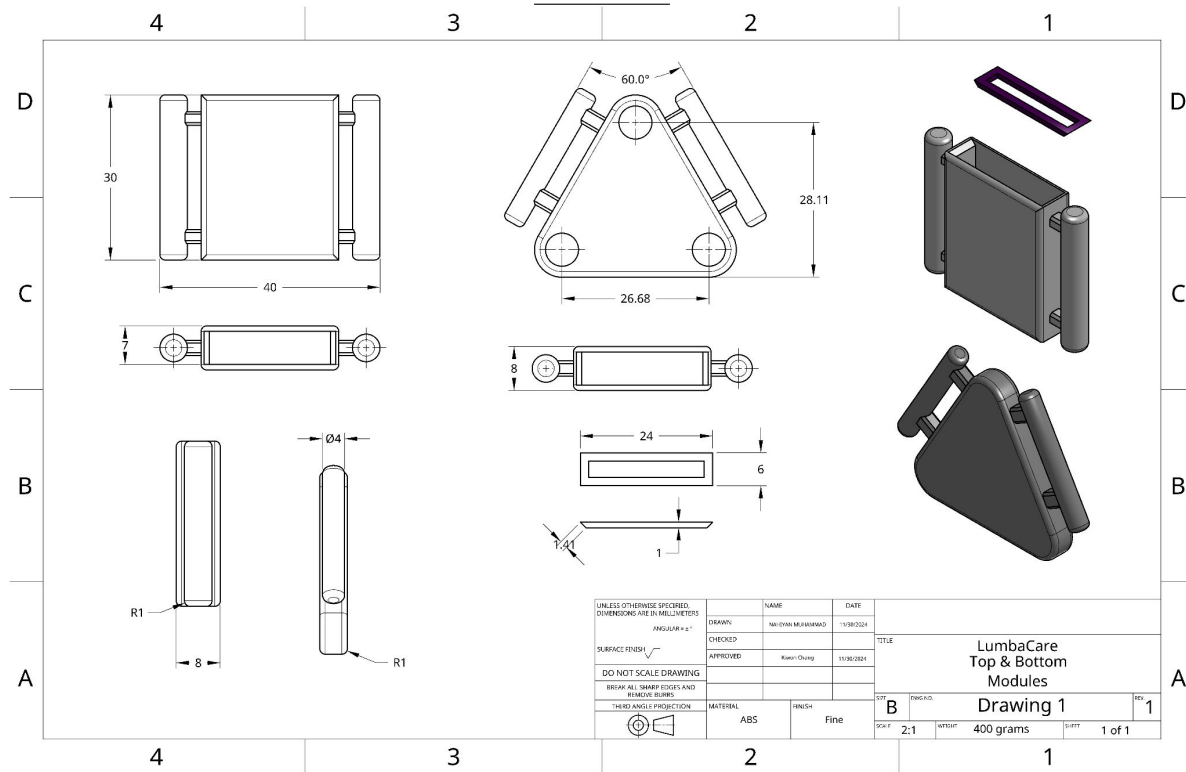


Arm Simulation Trial

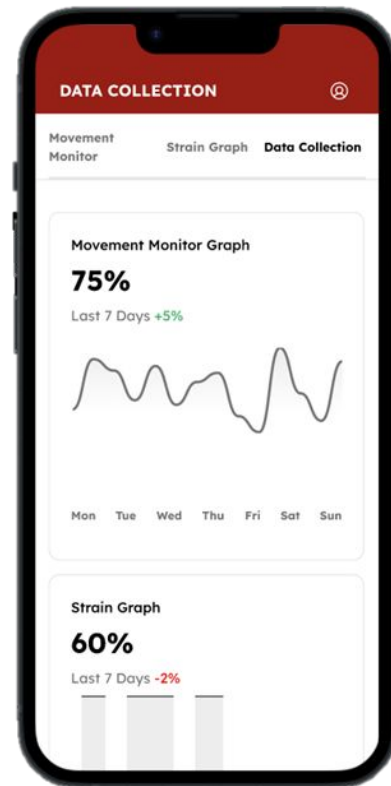
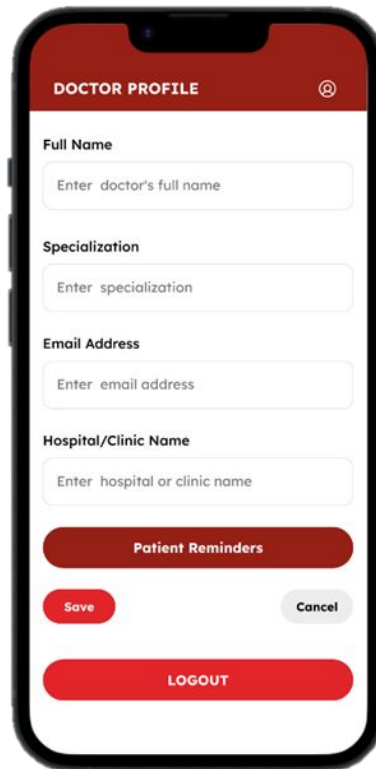
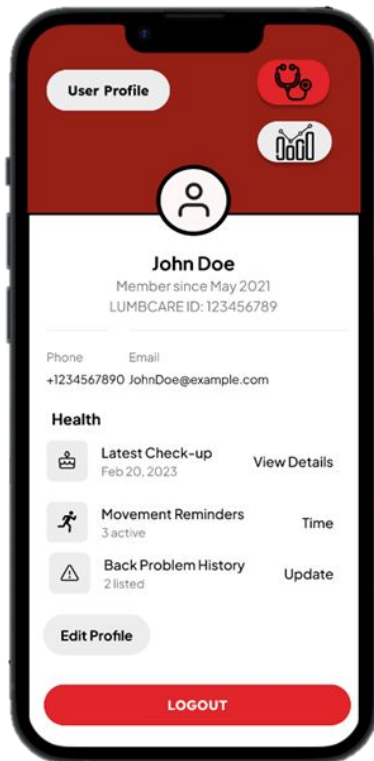


Knee Simulation

FORM FACTOR



USER INTERFACE



ADOPTION

- Partner with clinics for pilot testing
- Target rehabilitation centers and telemedicine platforms
- Expand to at-home users with an app-guided wearable system
- Focus on personalized recovery and improved patient outcomes



COMMERCIALIZATION

- Manufacture devices at \$10 each
- Sell devices at \$20 each
- Offer SaaS subscriptions for clinics
- Pursue data service opportunities
- Secure patents for technology protection
- Obtain FDA Class II clearance for healthcare adoption

EXPANDING ACCESS THROUGH WEARABLE REHAB

01 AFFORDABLE & PORTABLE

Affordable, remote rehab system delivering personalized care to all patients.

02 REMOTE MONITORING

Tracks recovery remotely, reducing need to come to therapy centers physically

03 PERSONALIZED FEEDBACK

Real-time feedback enables personalized therapy for diverse patient needs

04 ACCELERATES RECOVERY

Early detection of abnormal patterns enables timely intervention, improving outcomes.

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