



Shimmer IMU sensors

HARDWARE

- Shimmer Device:



- Sensors included in each device:
 1. Accelerometer (3D), measures changes in velocity
 2. Gyroscope (3D), measures angular velocity
 3. Magnetometer (3D), measures strength of the magnetic field

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ACCELEROMETER

$$\underline{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \\ a_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_I \cos(\theta_x) + g \cos(\varphi_x) \\ a_I \cos(\theta_y) + g \cos(\varphi_y) \\ a_I \cos(\theta_z) + g \cos(\varphi_z) \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure 2. total acceleration vector

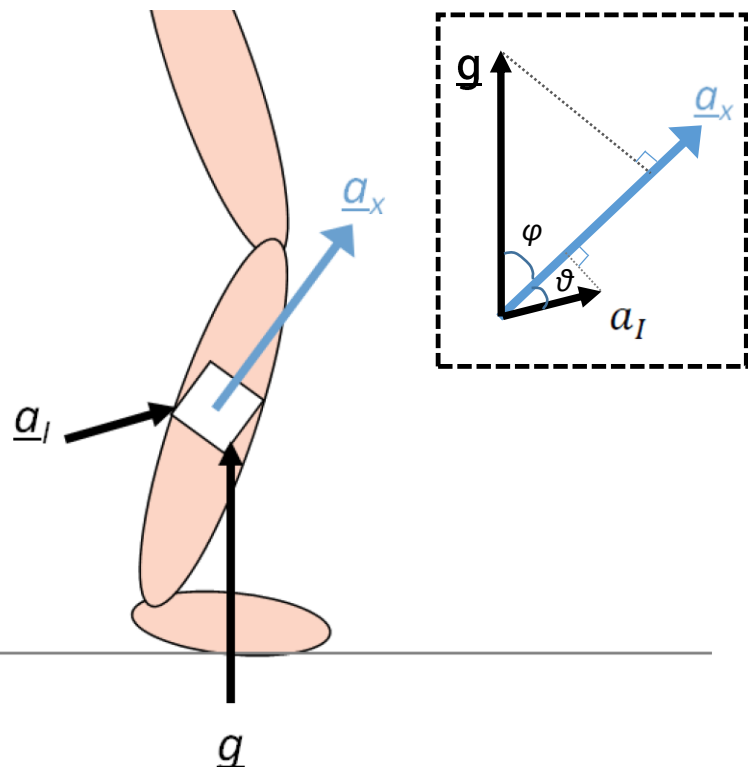


Figure 3. Uni-axial magnetometer attached to a leg segment



Figure 1. Shimmer3 default axis directions

g	Gravitational acceleration, $1\text{ g} \approx 9.81\text{ m/s}^2$
a	inertial acceleration, rate of change of velocity due to forces on body
θ	angle that the axis α_x , makes with the inertial acceleration vector a_I
ϕ	angle that the axis α_x , makes with the gravity vector g

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GYROSCOPE

$$\underline{\omega} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega \cos(\beta_x) \\ \omega \cos(\beta_y) \\ \omega \cos(\beta_z) \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure 2. tri-axial gyroscope rate

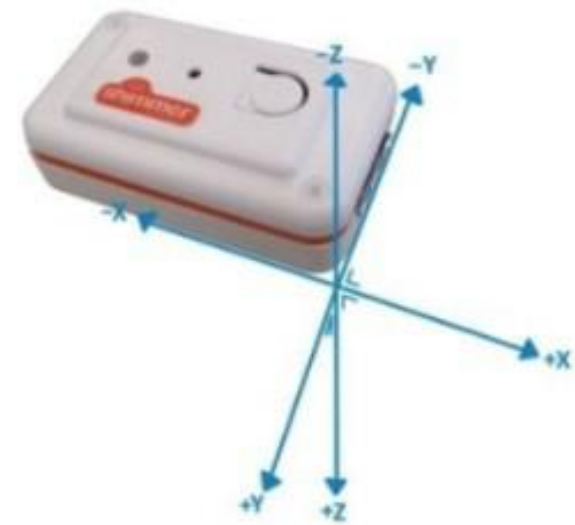
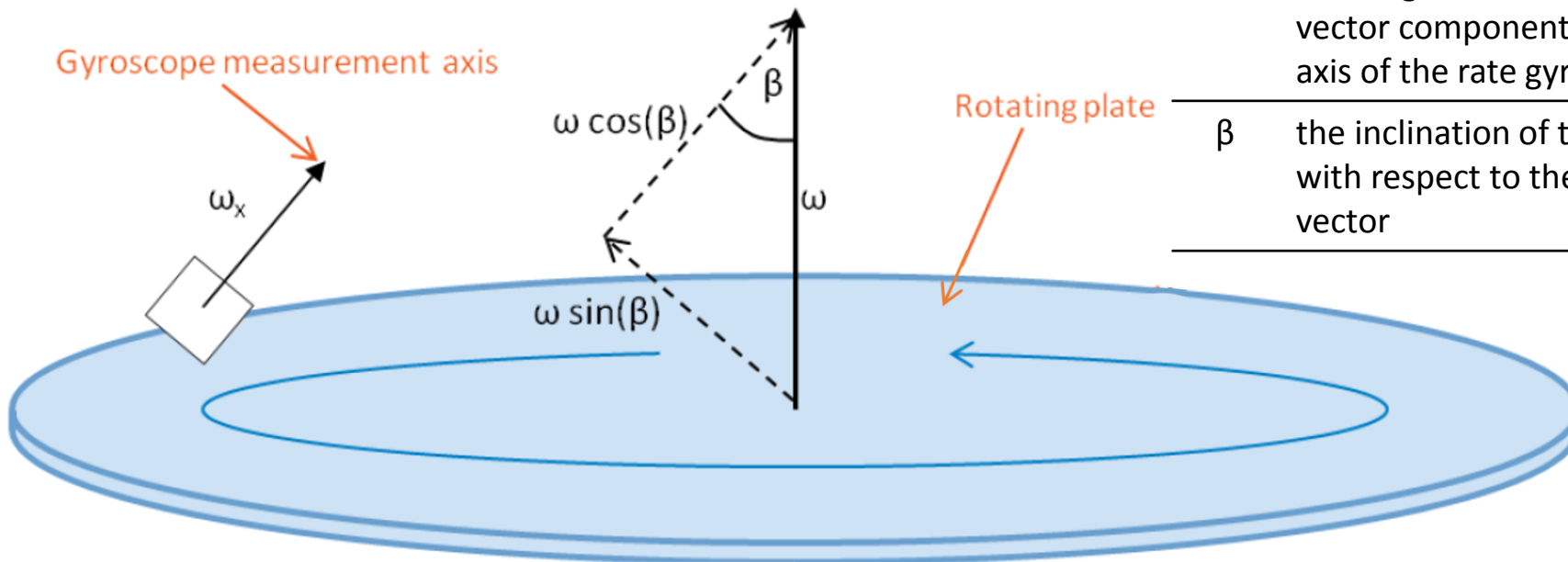


Figure 1. Shimmer3 default axis directions



ω	the magnitude of the angular velocity vector component along the measuring axis of the rate gyroscope
β	the inclination of the measuring axis with respect to the angular velocity vector

Figure 3. Uni-axial rate gyroscope attached to a rotating plate

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MAGNETOMETER

$$\underline{m} = \begin{bmatrix} m_x \\ m_y \\ m_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m \cos(\alpha_x) \\ m \cos(\alpha_y) \\ m \cos(\alpha_z) \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure 2. tri-axial magnetometer rate

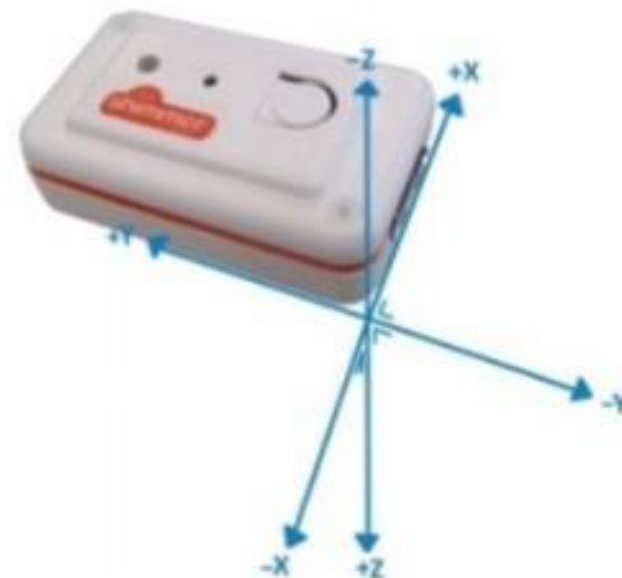
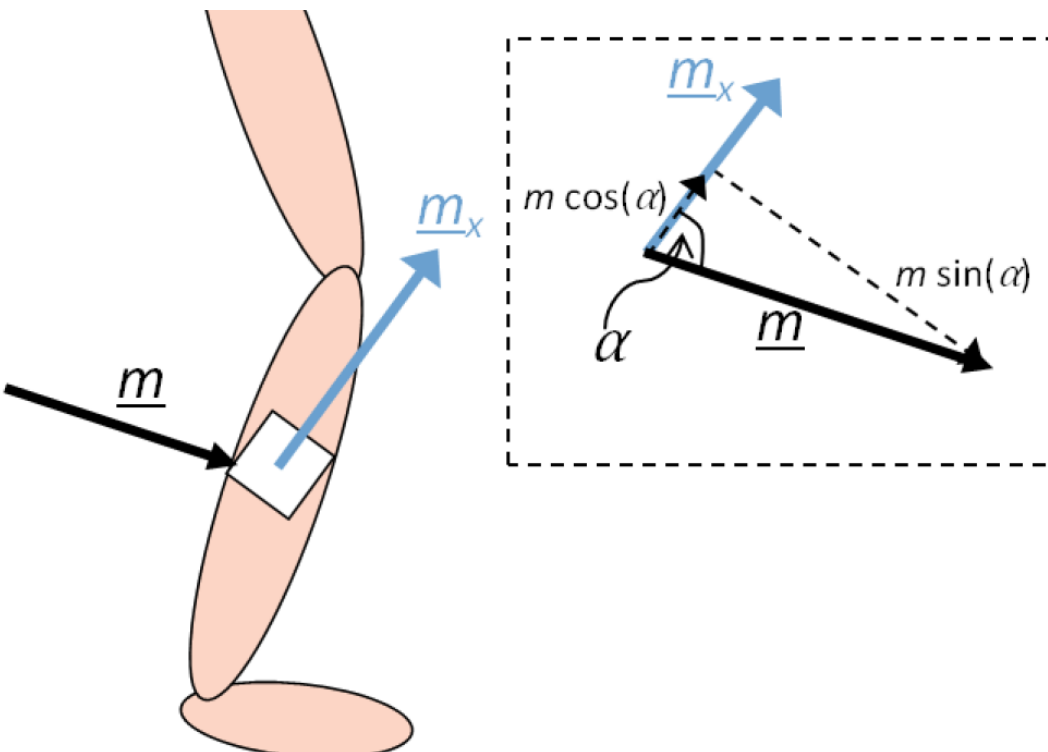


Figure 1. Shimmer3 default axis directions

m	the magnitude of the magnetic field vector component along the measuring axis of the magnetometer
α	the angle between the magnetometer measuring axis and the magnetic field vector

SOFTWARE

The output \underline{Y} for each sensor (acc/gyr/mag) is:

$$\underline{Y} = K\underline{r}\underline{u} + \underline{b} + \underline{n}$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the sensor output equation:

- $\underline{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_x \\ \gamma_y \\ \gamma_z \end{bmatrix}$
- $\underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_y \\ b_z \end{bmatrix}$
- $\underline{n} = \begin{bmatrix} n_x \\ n_y \\ n_z \end{bmatrix}$
- $\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \\ u_z \end{bmatrix}$
- $K = \begin{bmatrix} k_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_z \end{bmatrix}$
- $R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{x'x} & r_{x'y} & r_{x'z} \\ r_{y'x} & r_{y'y} & r_{y'z} \\ r_{z'x} & r_{z'y} & r_{z'z} \end{bmatrix}$

K	Sensor's scale factor (the change in output per unit of input Volts/g)	Estimated by calibration
r	is the rotation matrix which defines the actual sensor axes	Estimated by calibration
u	value of the sensed phenomenon	Defined in use
b	value of the sensor output when the sensed phenomenon is equal to zero	Estimated by calibration
n	is the noise vector	Defined by manufacturer

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Data we actually get from each device have this format

TIMESTAMP (ms)	ACCELEROMETER (m/s ²)			GYROSCOPE (deg/sec)			MAGNETOMETER (local flux)		
	X axes	Y axes	Z axes	X axes	Y axes	Z axes	X axes	Y axes	Z axes
1024566650390	-0.6381260517	-0.85463565892	9.99691863372	-1.30603847151	0.77993576999	-1.71018442341	0.61133603238	-0.64372469635	0.72
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Units are in SI (International System of Units)



GESTURE IDENTIFICATION

Objective:

Identify four hand gestures

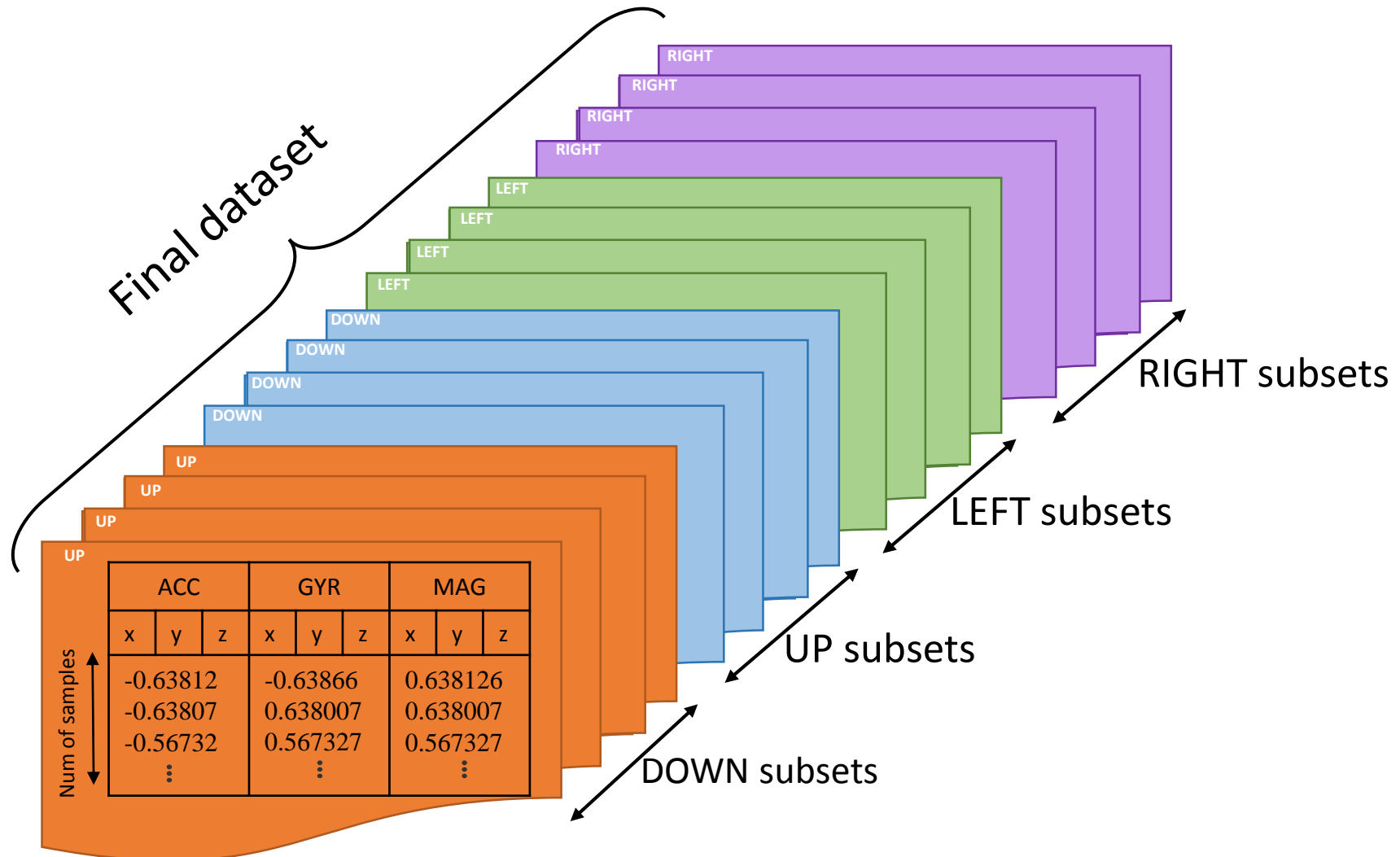
1. Up
2. Down
3. Left
4. Right

Methodology:

1. Construct final dataset by combining all gesture subsets
2. Extract features using statistical metrics
3. Apply k-means
4. Get results

1.DATASET

- Gather many repetitions of each gesture (each repetition is a subset)
- Compose all subsets and create final dataset



For each subset from dataset, get mean/median/rms*/stdev* statistical metrics from all three sensors and for all dimensions of each

n: total number of subsets

← 36 features →

\longleftrightarrow Total subsets \longrightarrow
 \longleftrightarrow 4 gestures \longrightarrow



3.APPLY K-MEANS

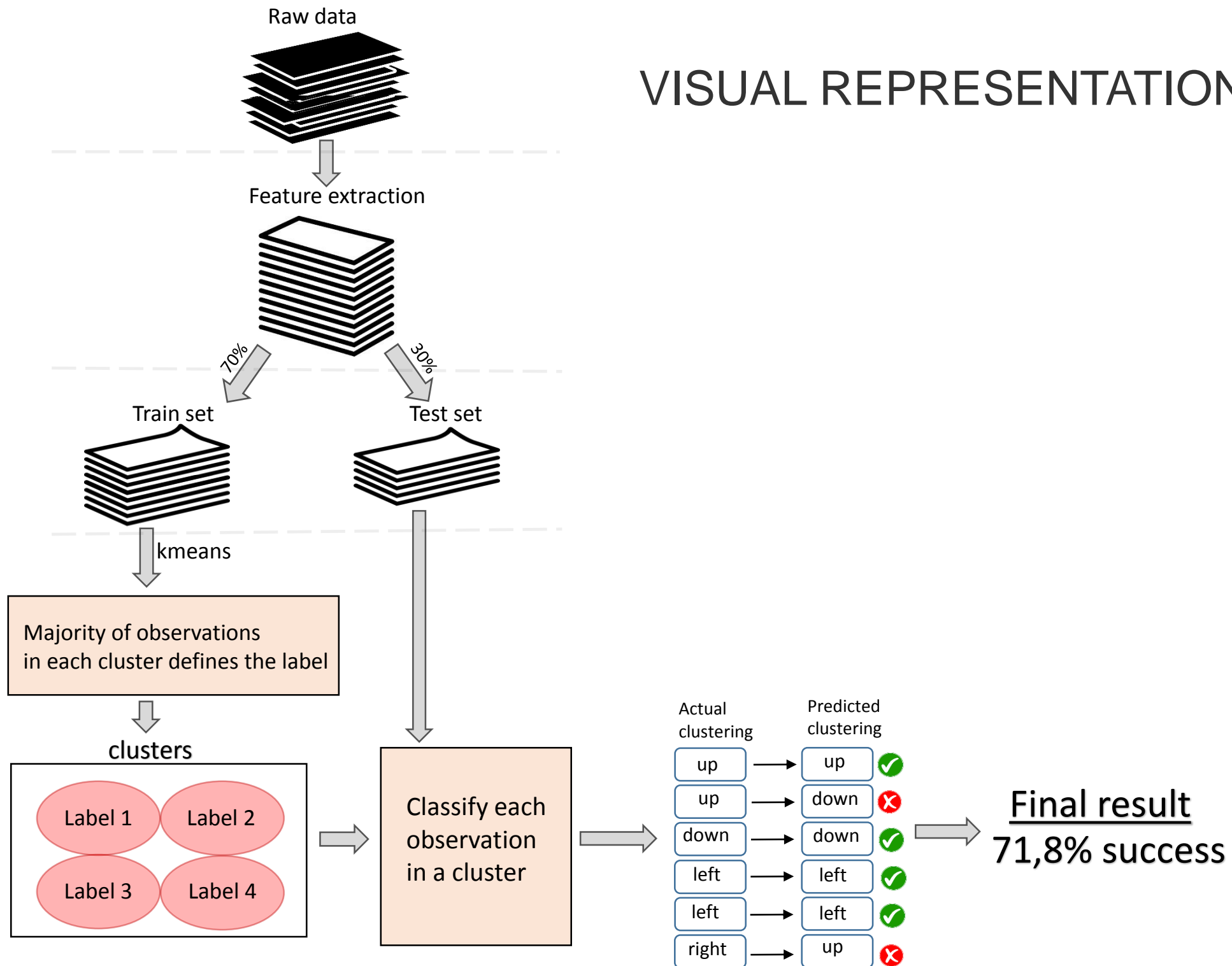
Parameters

- Data: n observations by 36 features matrix
- k=4 (clusters)
- Distance metric: cityblock

4.RESULTS

- K-fold for cross validation
- Get average success percentage

VISUAL REPRESENTATION



RESULTS

Size of dataset (subsets for each subject)	Controlled measurements	Left hand involved	Right hand involved	Fixed hand orientation per gesture	results
40	✓	✓	–	✓	96,87%
72	–	✓	✓	✓	89,29%
28	–	–	✓	–	29,28%

Controlled measurements: subject had total awareness about taking measurements

Fixed hand orientation per gesture: for all gesture repetitions hand had fixed orientation