

# Welcome & Overview

Project recap and today's goals   Duration: 1h30   Audience: Software team   Goal: Stream and record EMG  
(Ganglion + Arduino fallback)

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# What is EMG?

EMG = electrical activity of muscles. Frequency content, amplitude, and common noise sources (powerline, motion).

# Data Flow

Muscle -> Electrodes -> Amplifier (Ganglion/Arduino) -> USB -> Python -> CSV -> Model

# OpenBCI Ganglion & BrainFlow

Ganglion: 4 channels, sampling rate 200 Hz. BrainFlow handles streaming and board control via BoardShim.

# BrainFlow Code Explained

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Annotated example: board.prepare_session(), board.start_stream(), board.get_current_board_data(),  
board.stop_stream()
```

# Arduino Alternative

Simulate EMG in absence of hardware using `mock_arduino.ino`, send comma-separated channels over serial

# Serial to Python

Use `pyserial` to read lines, parse CSV rows, and add timestamps before saving.

# Unified Data Logger

Standard CSV format: timestamp, chan\_1..chan\_N, label Use DataLogger class to write rows.

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# Live Demo Challenge

Record 10 seconds of 'fist' and save as CSV. Visualize next week with Matplotlib.

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# Team Roles

A1: BrainFlow researcher A2: Arduino interface dev A3: Data logger A4: Visualizer A5: File handler  
A6: Integrator/presenter

# Upcoming Milestone

Next week: live visualization + labeling UI Prepare: collect 3 gestures per person (10 reps each).

# Q&A & Wrap-Up

Share code, check platform-specific ports, and plan for next session.