

Python, Motion Sensors and Data Fusion

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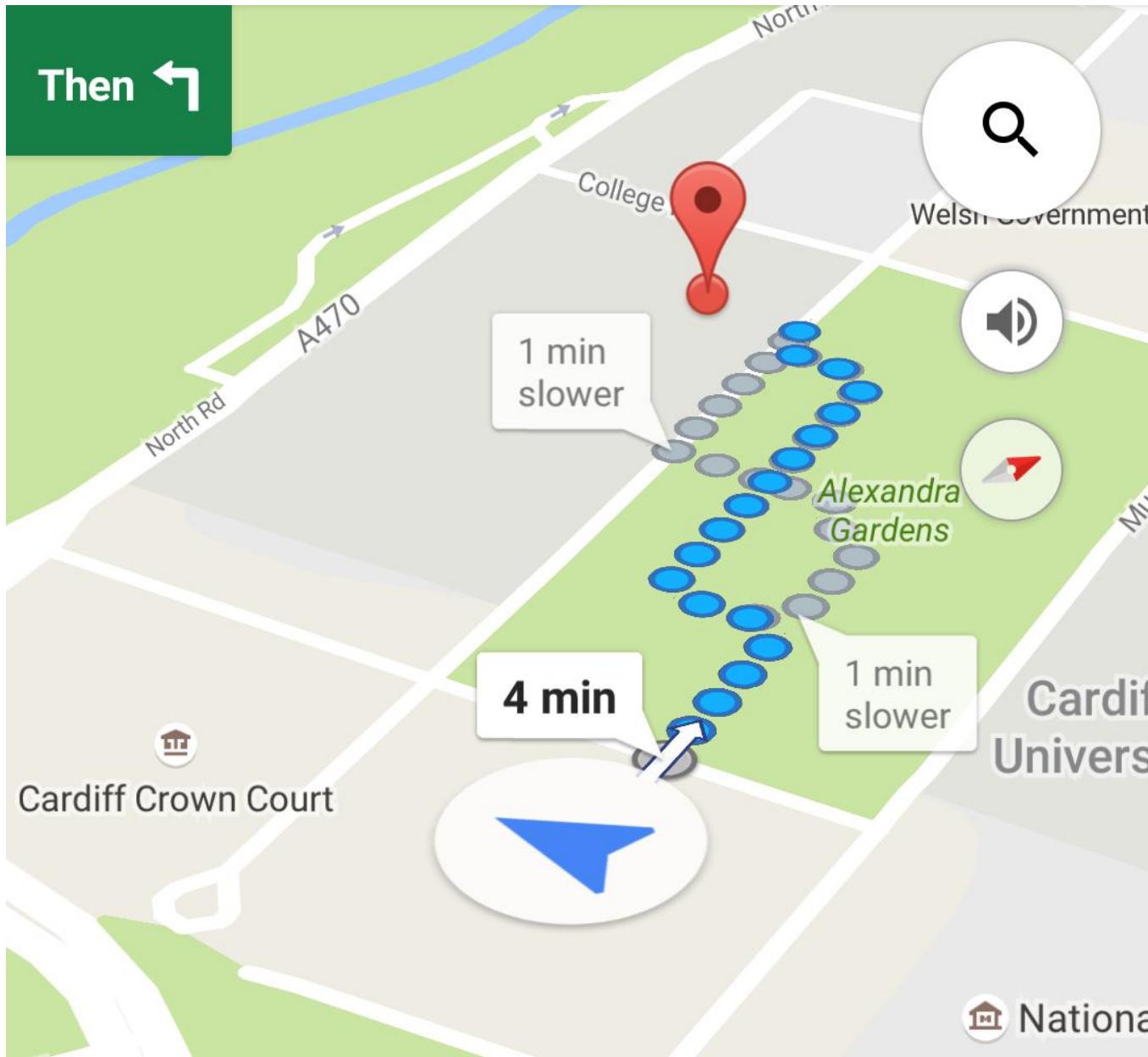
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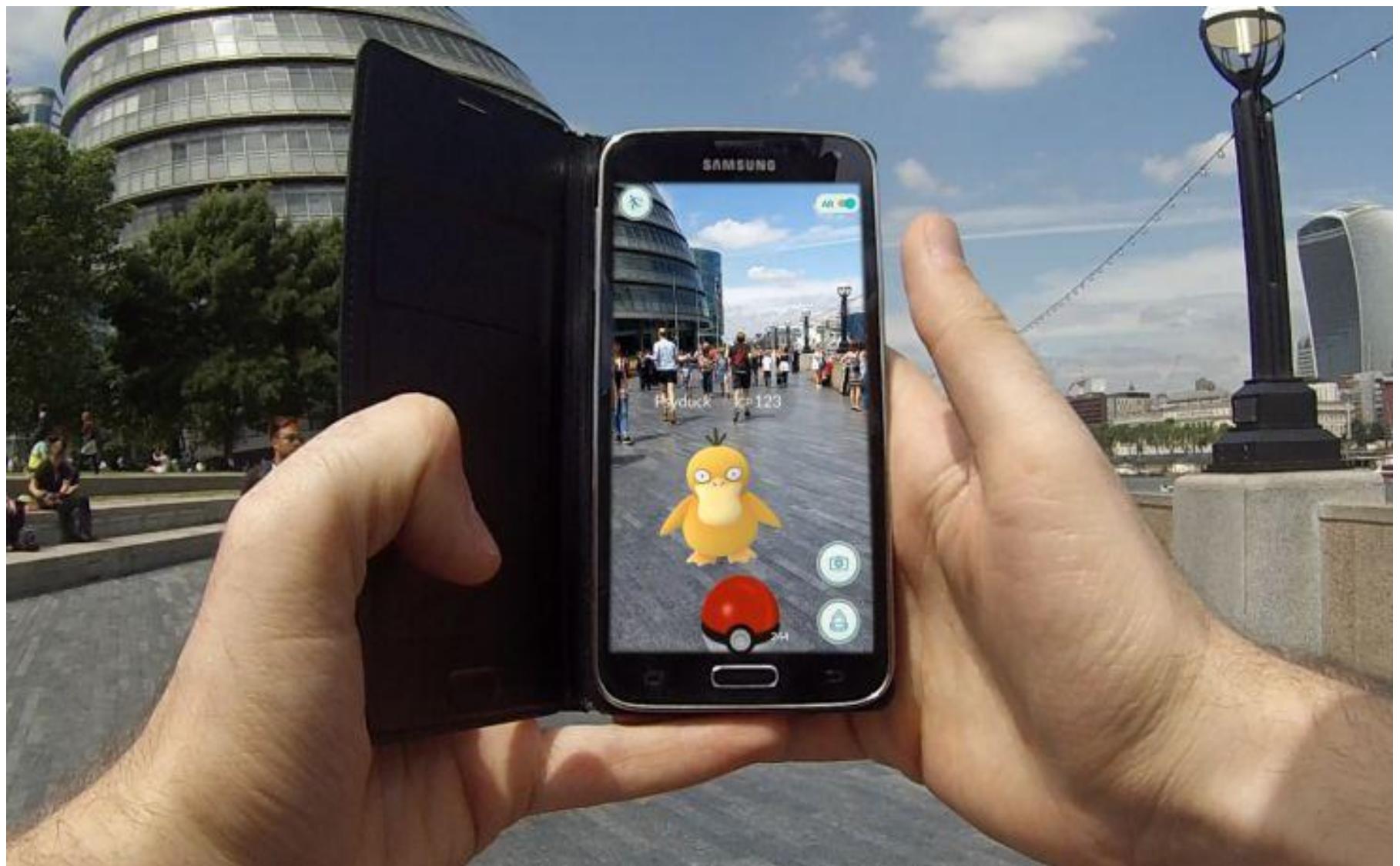
Mapping and navigation



VR...



AR...



Motion capture...



Motion capture...



Control and stabilisation...



Automotive...



“Quantified self”...



Sports coaching...



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CHALLENGE SET UP ABOUT TEAM

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Types of sensors

Accelerometer

Linear acceleration plus gravity

Magnetometer

Local magnetic field

Gyroscope

Angular rotation rate

GPS

Absolute location (outdoor)

Pressure

Altitude (outdoor); relative height (indoor)

+ light, sound, touch, temperature, humidity, heart rate, ...

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$$\mathbf{A}_{xyz} = \mathbf{A}_{\text{sensor}} - \mathbf{R} \mathbf{g}$$

\mathbf{R} is rotation matrix converting gravity vector \mathbf{g} to sensor's local (x,y,z) coordinates

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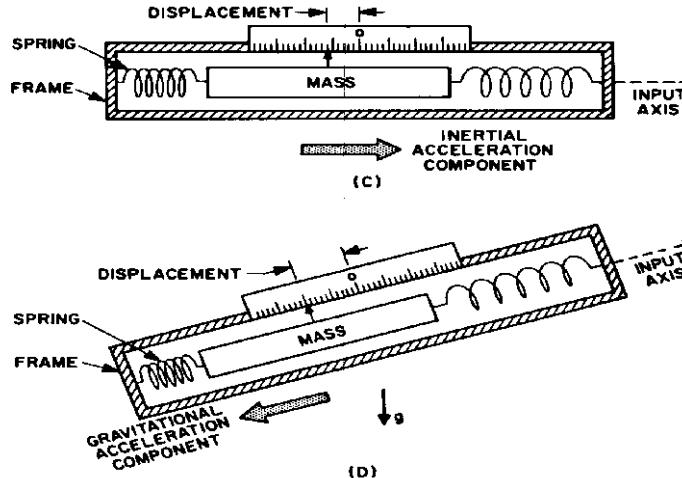
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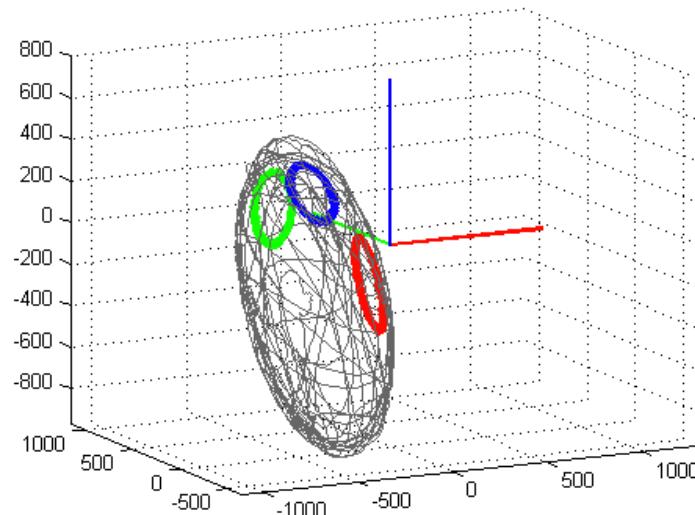
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$\mathbf{R}_\phi \mathbf{R}_\theta \mathbf{R}_\psi$ rotates the earth's magnetic field by yaw (ψ), pitch (θ) and roll (ϕ) angles to the sensor's local (x,y,z) coordinates

\mathbf{W} (3x3 matrix) and \mathbf{V} (xyz-vector) are “soft iron” and “hard iron” distortions for ferromagnetic components that move with the sensor



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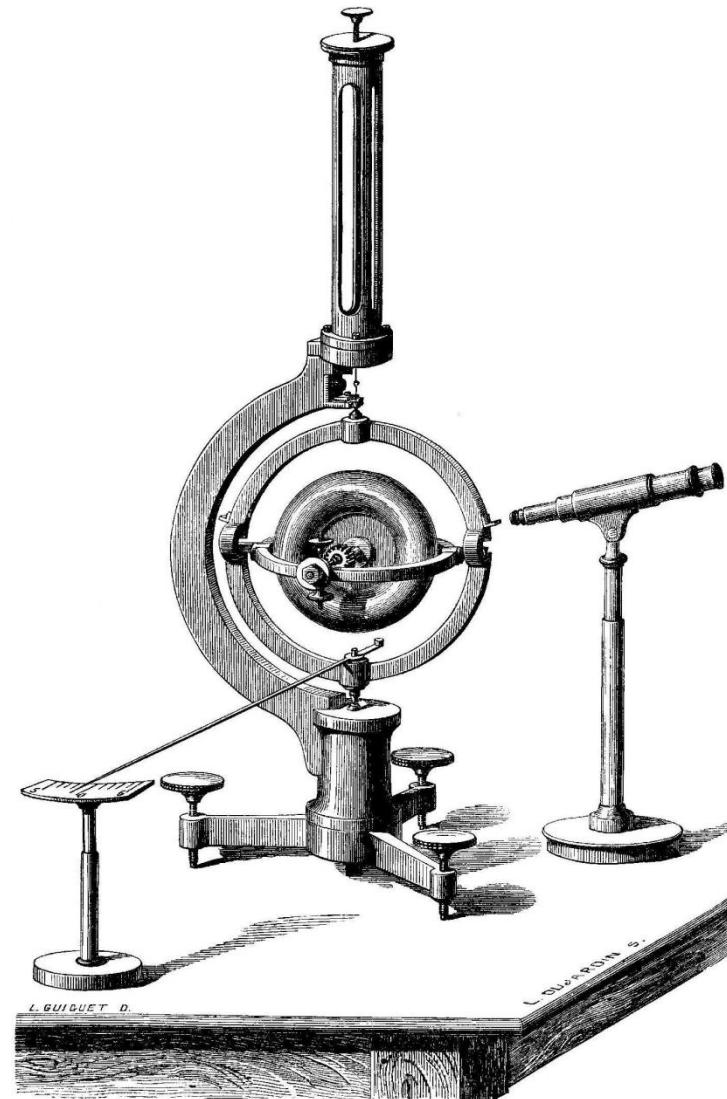
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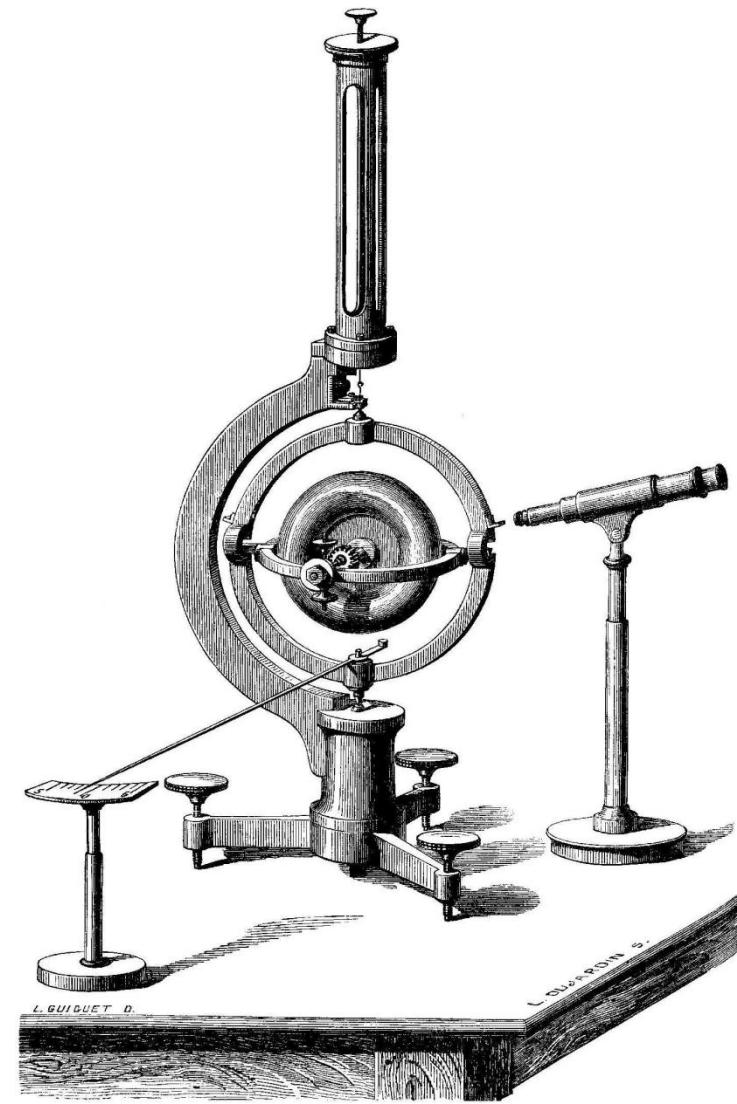
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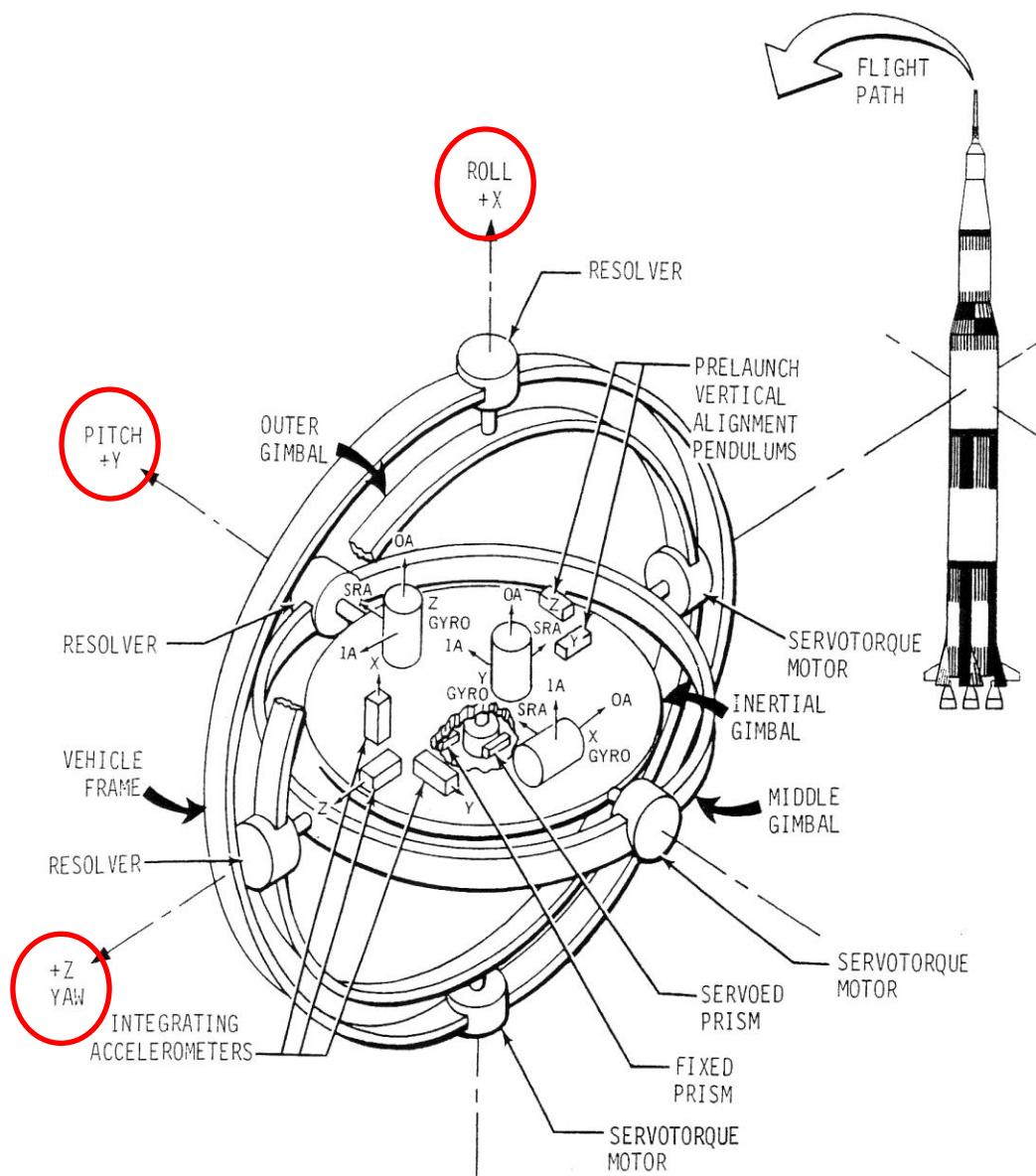
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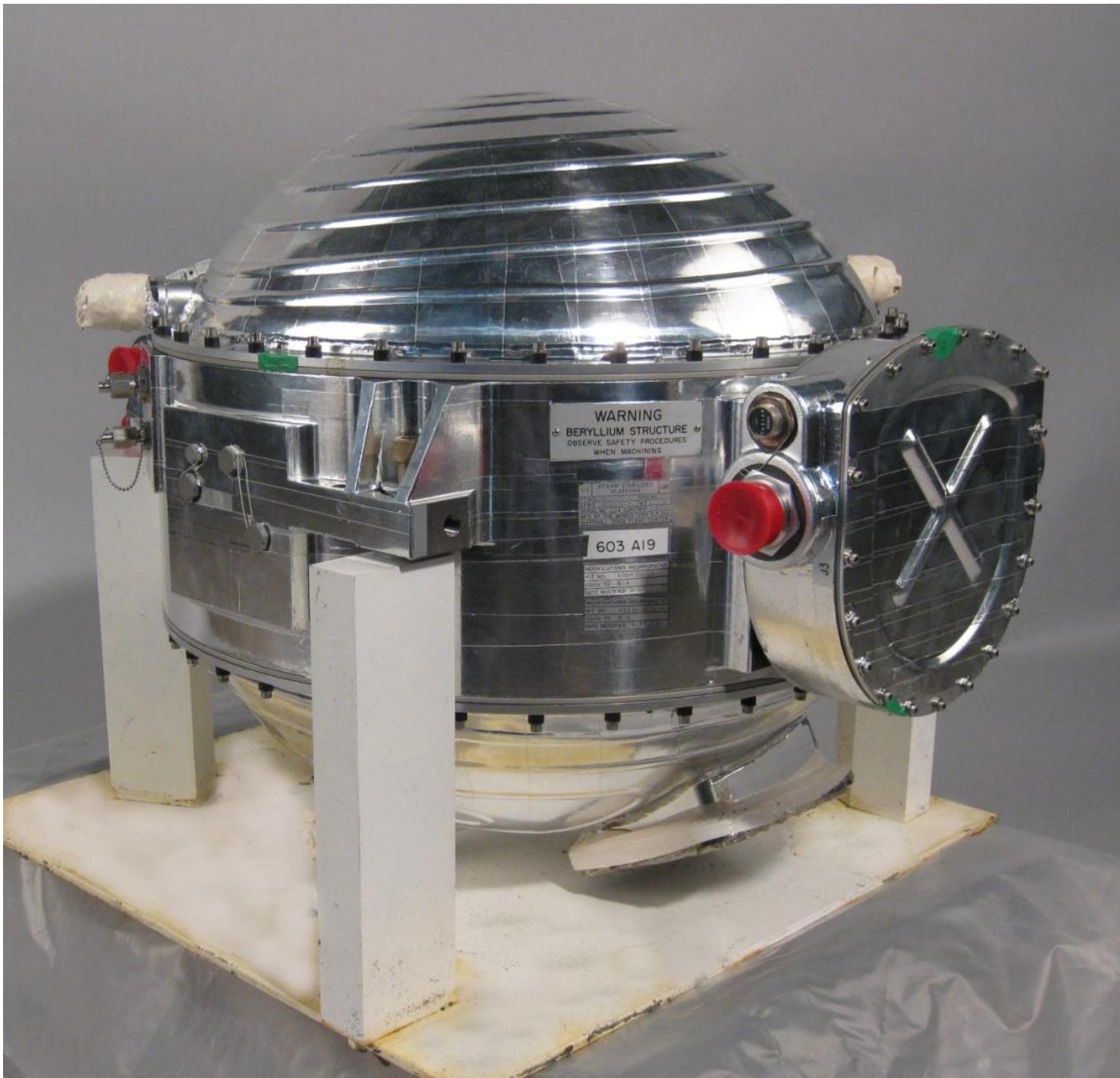


Foucault's gyroscope (1862)

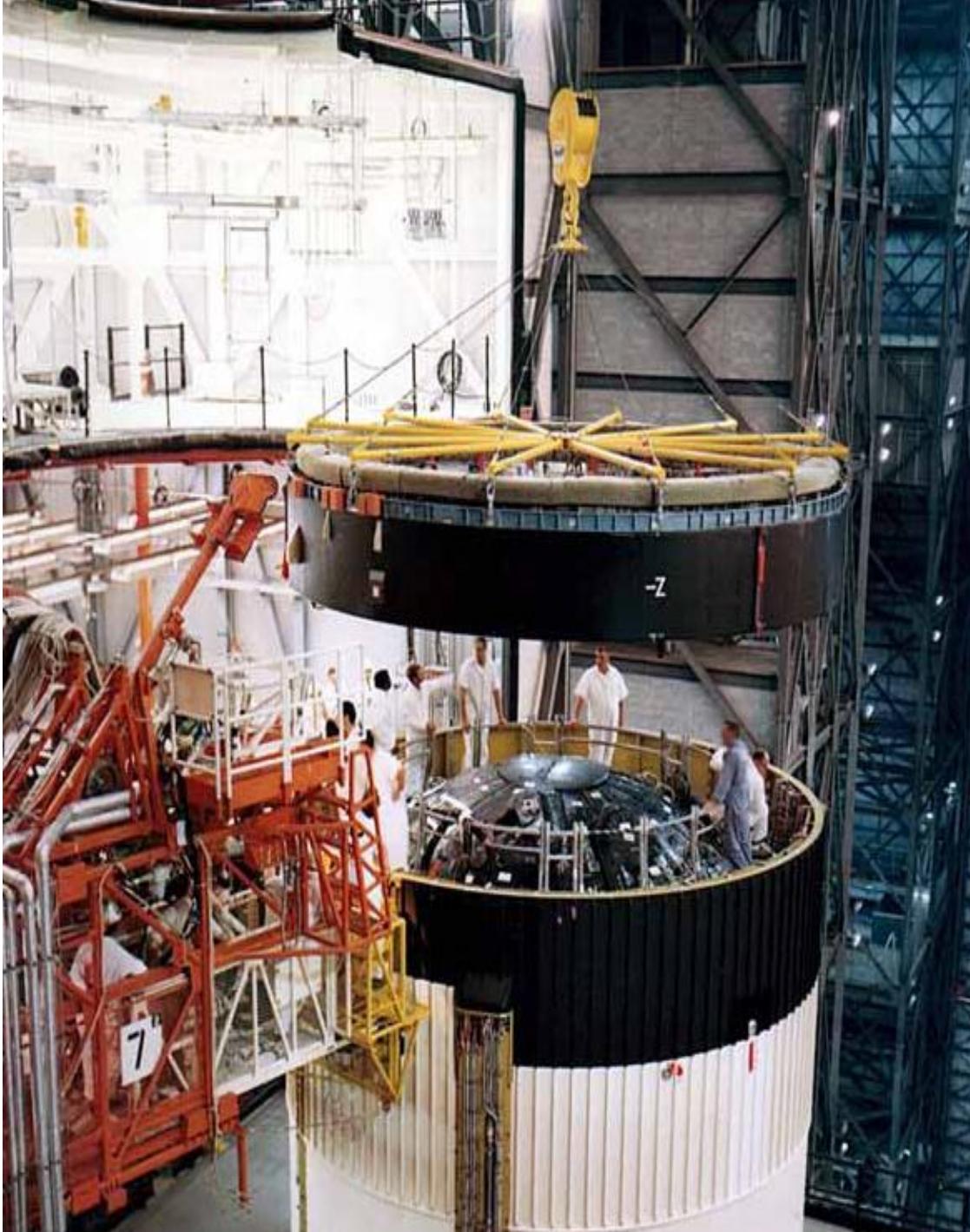


ST124-M inertial platform for Saturn V (1965)





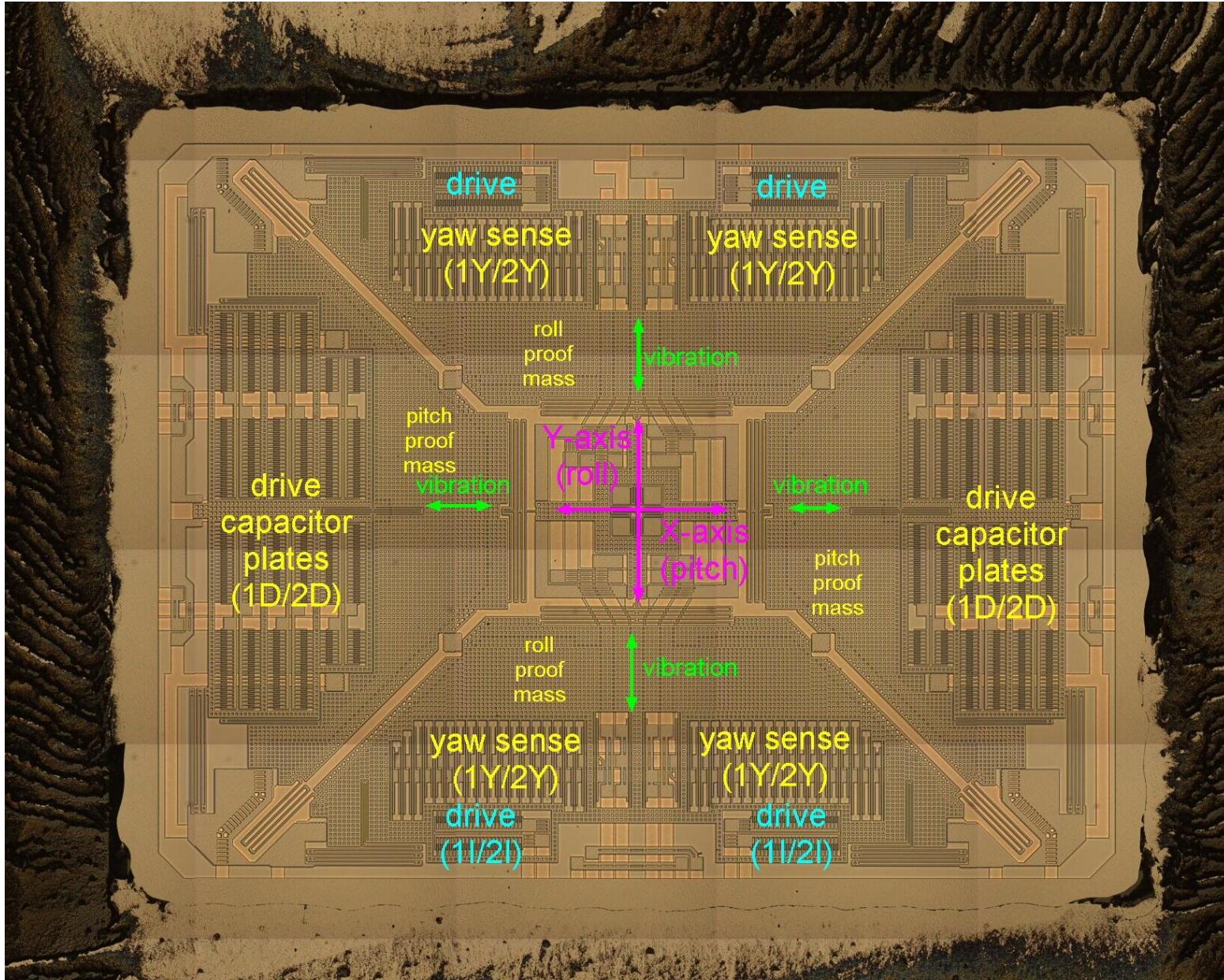




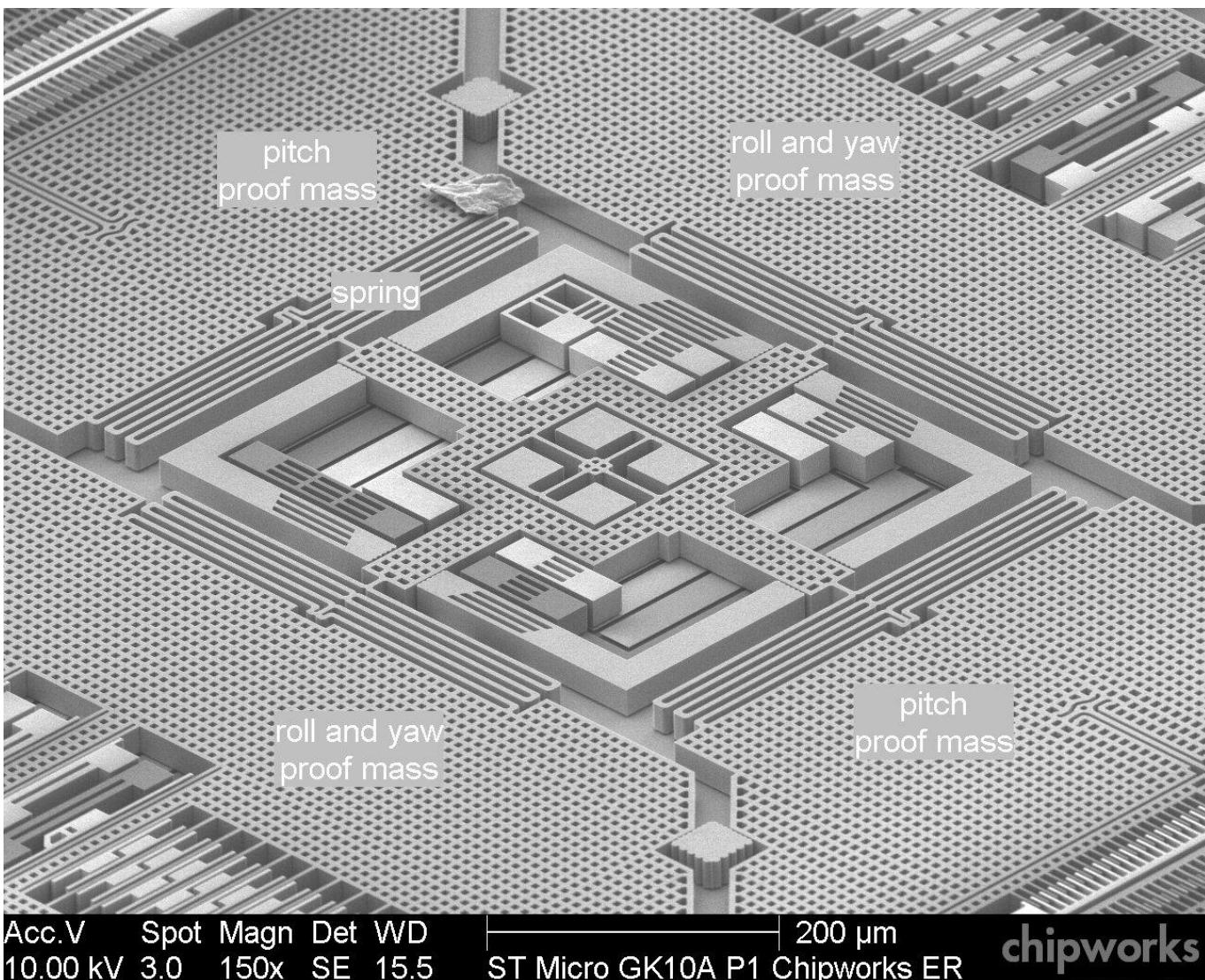




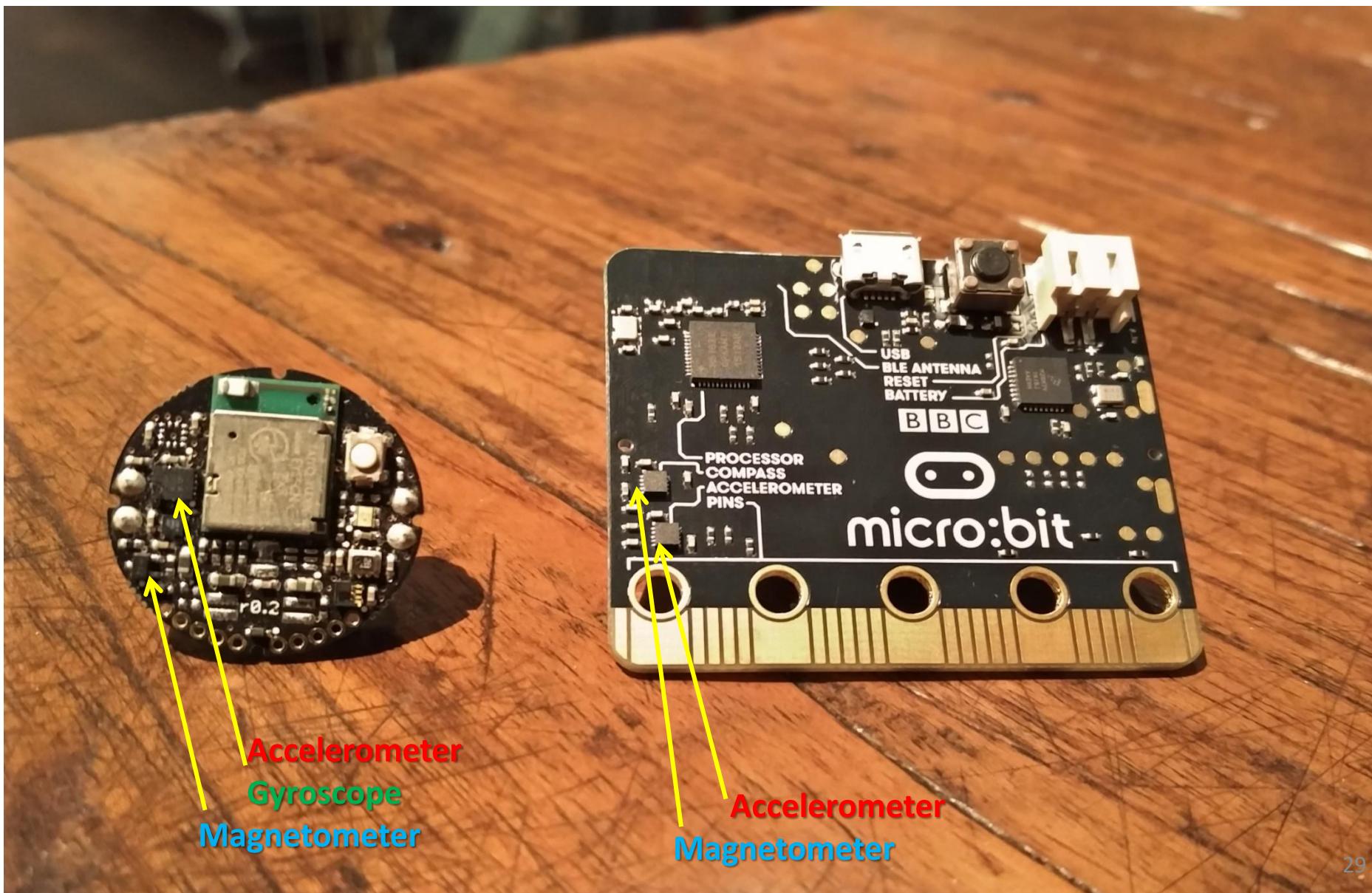
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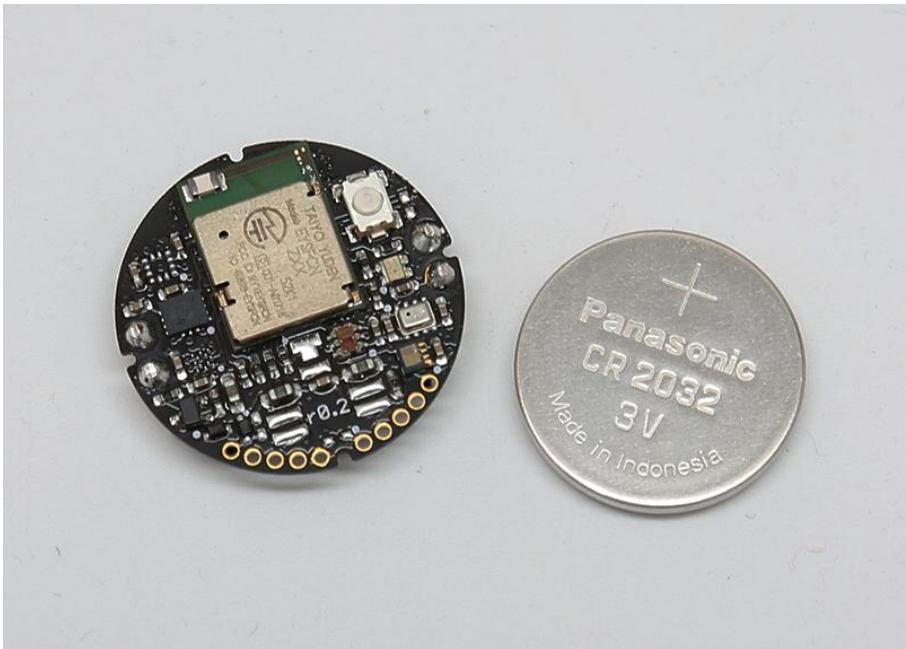
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Sensors in Metawear CPRO and BBC micro:bit



Metaware CPRO – hardware



PCB: 24 mm diameter

sensors: 2 x 2 mm

CPU

nRF51822 - Nordic Semiconductor
ARM Cortex-M0, 32k RAM, 256k flash

Interfaces

Bluetooth LE (stream up to 100 Hz)
Push button; 1 LED

Sensors

BMI160 (Bosch)
Accelerometer - 3 axis, 14-bit, up to 800Hz
Gyroscope – 3 axis, 16 bit

BMI155 Magnetometer (Bosch)
3 axis, 16-bit, up to 80 Hz
 $\pm 1300\mu\text{T}$ (sens $0.3\mu\text{T}$)

Pressure: 300-1100 hPa
Temperature: -40 to 85 °C
Light: 0.01 to 64k lux

BBC microbit – hardware



PCB: 43 x 52 mm

sensors: 2 x 2 mm

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Bluetooth LE; radio; USB
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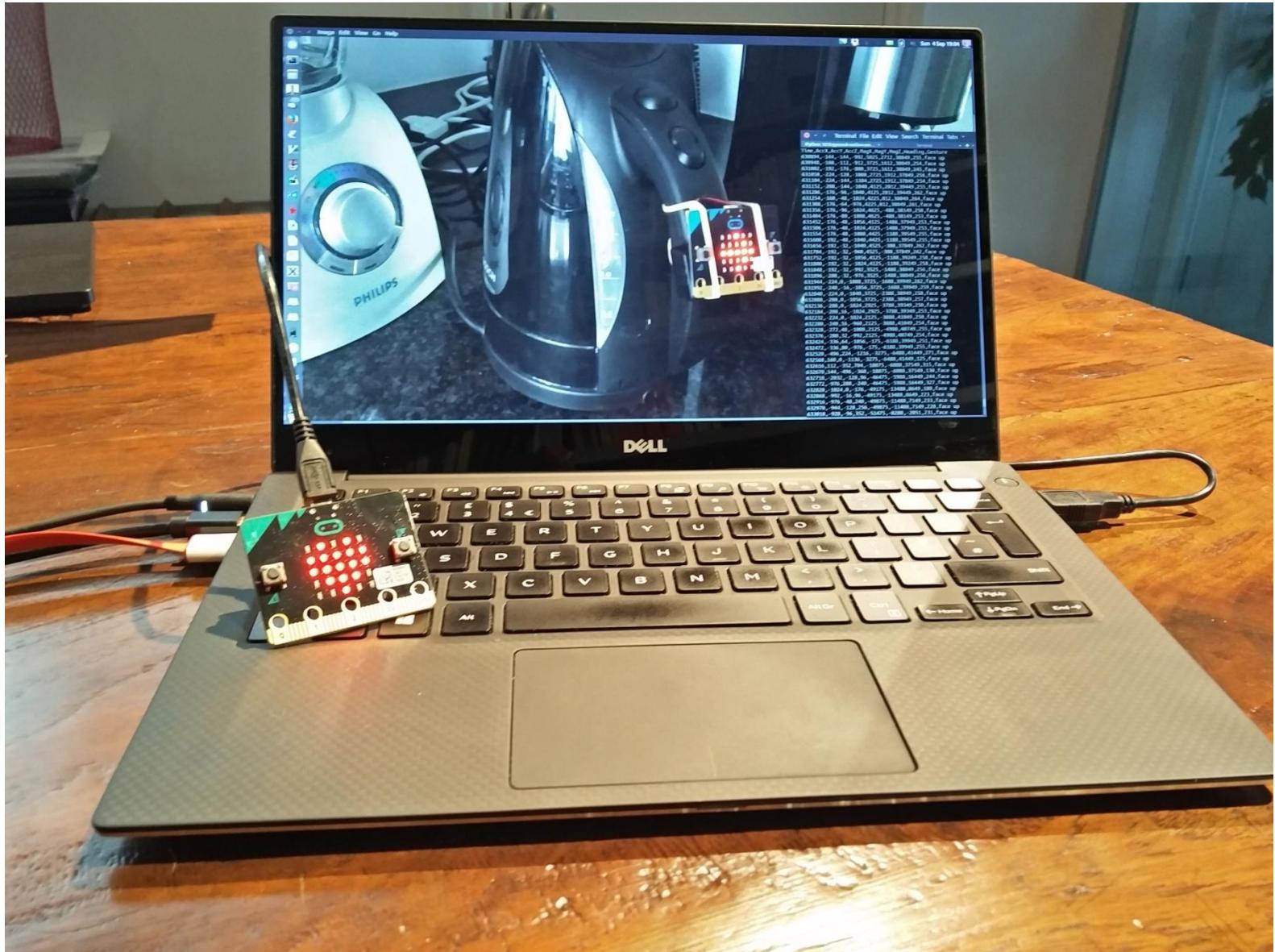
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Accelerometer MMA8652FC (NXP)
3 axis, 12-bit, up to 800Hz
6-180 μ A @ 2.4V
 \pm 2/4/8g (sens \pm 2.5%, offset \pm 33mg,
noise 182 μ g/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$)

Magnetometer MAG3110 (NXP)

3 axis, 16-bit, up to 80 Hz
9-900 μ A @ 2.4V
 \pm 1000 μ T (sens 0.1 μ T, noise 0.25 μ T)

Example #1 – Wireless motion logging



Example #1 – BBC microbit code

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from microbit import *
import radio

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def read_sensors():
    "Sensor data as a comma-separated string with a newline"
    t = running_time()
    ax, ay, az = accelerometer.get_values()
    g = accelerometer.current_gesture()
    cx, cy, cz = compass.get_x(), compass.get_y(), compass.get_z()
    h = compass.heading()
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# Relay radio data to host PC via USB
from microbit import *
import radio
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radio.on()
uart.init(115000)

while True:
    data = radio.receive()
    if data:
        uart.write(data)
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>>> df.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Float64Index: 5860 entries, 12.9 to 246.1
Data columns (total 8 columns):
AccX      5860 non-null int64
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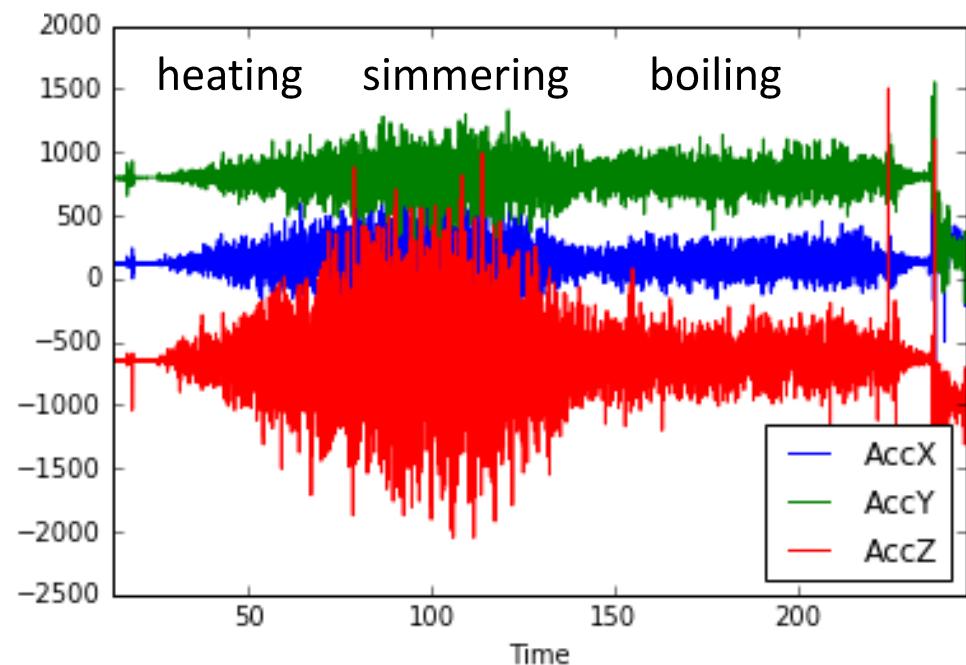
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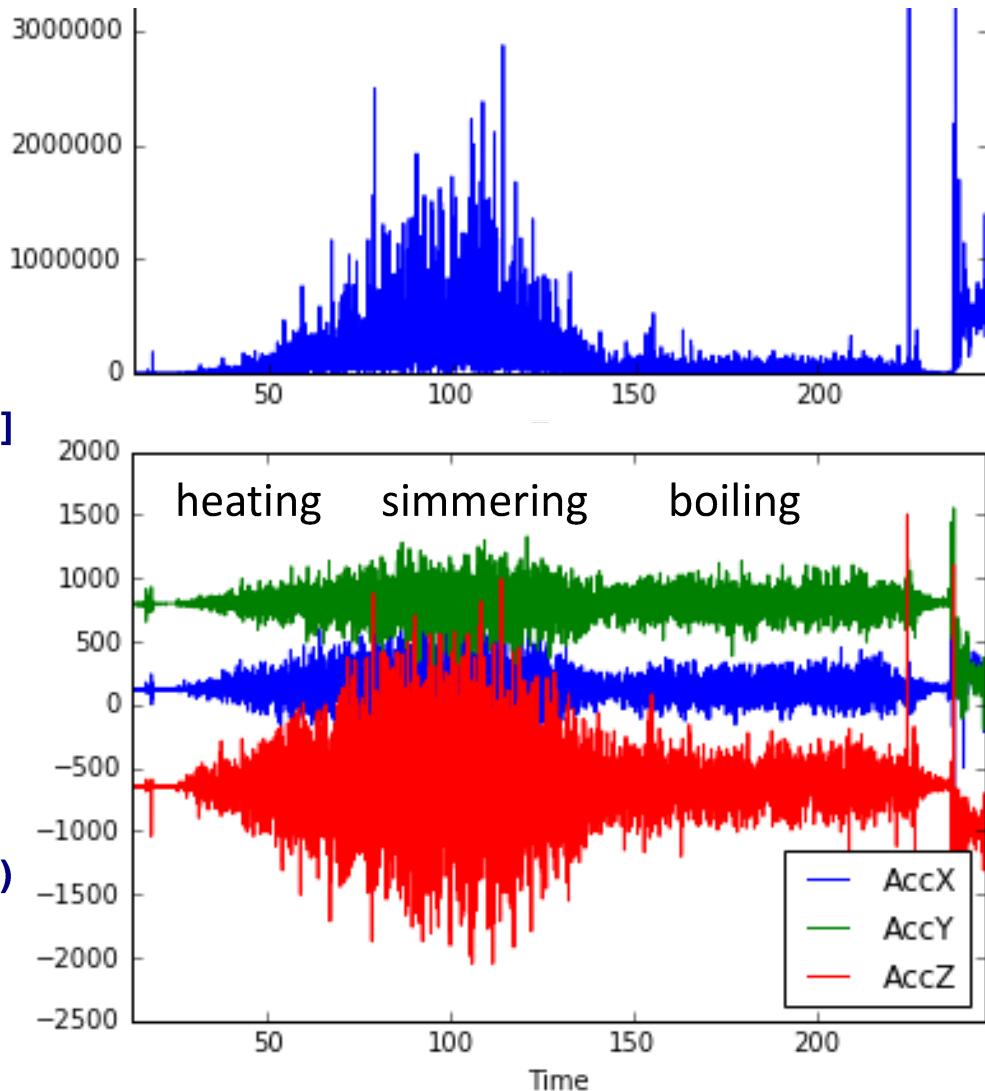
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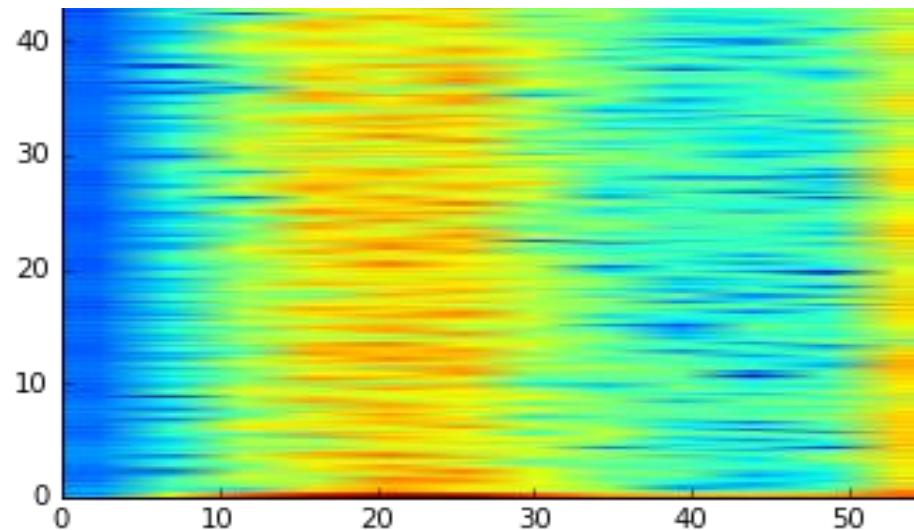
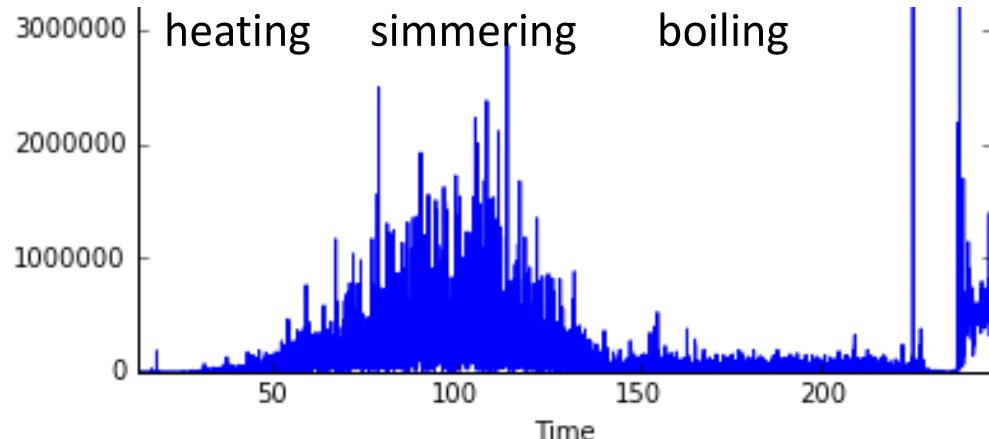
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>>> import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
>>> plt.specgram(s, NFFT=512, Fs=100, noverlap=32)[3]
```



Project ideas

Orientation

- Read accelerometer data
- Figure out which simple gesture fits best ("falling", "left", "up" ...)
- Display first letter of the active gesture on the screen

Sports stats

- Log accelerometer data while repeated a sport-related action (running, hitting tennis ball, ...)
- Plot the time series
- Identify characteristic motion
- Find decision rules to pinpoint time when motion occurred
- Use decision rule to total sports stats (# actions, speed etc)

Data fusion algorithms

- (1) Combine data from multiple sensors
- (2) Reduce position errors when integrating accel/vel
- (3) Correct for sensor bias, drift, noise, nonlinearities
- (4) Deal with missing data points

Accelerometer
Magnetometer

Tilt-compensated electronic compass
(if acceleration = 0)

Accelerometer
Gyroscope

Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU)
(6 DoF – orientation, no absolute yaw)

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Attitude Heading Reference System (AHRS)
Magnetic, Angular Rate, Gravity (MARG)
(9 DoF – orientation, absolute north)

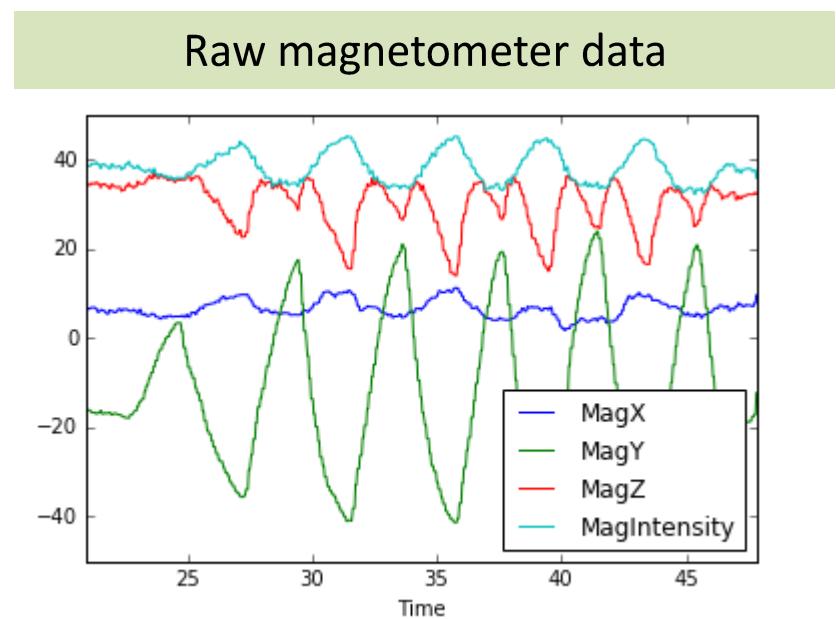
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# See analysis-tilt-compensation.ipynb
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import math
rad2deg = 180.0 / math.pi

# Data is collected via microbit data logger as the
# microbit is tilted up and down while pointed in
# approximately a constant heading.
df = pd.read_csv('data-compass-heading-with-tilt.csv')
df['Time'] /= 1000.0      # ms (int) to sec (float)
df.set_index('Time', inplace=True)

def magXYZ_plus_intensity(df):
    '''Add column 'MagIntensity' to DataFrame df'''
    m = df[['MagX', 'MagY', 'MagZ']].copy()
    m['MagIntensity'] = m.pow(2).sum(axis=1).pow(0.5)
    return m

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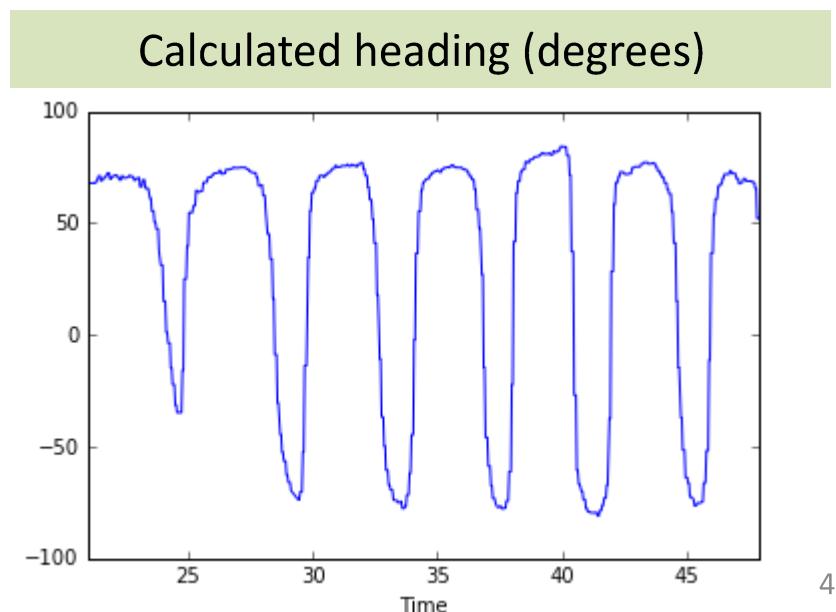
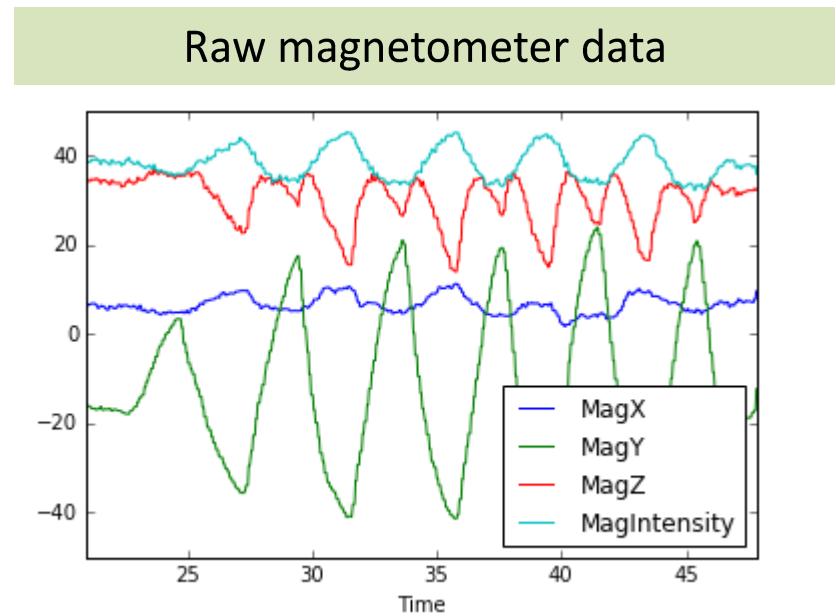
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# Simple compass heading (yaw angle = psi)
psi = rad2deg * np.arctan2(-df.MagY, df.MagX)
s = pd.Series(psi, index=df.index)
s.plot()
```



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```
def compass_heading_tilt_comp(df):
    """Pandas Series with heading corrected for tilt.
```

This assumes the accelerometer is held still.
From the angle of gravity, infer the magnetometer's
tilt relative to the Earth's surface.
Undo the effects of tilt in the roll and pitch
directions, leaving a clean magnetic heading in
the yaw (Z) direction.

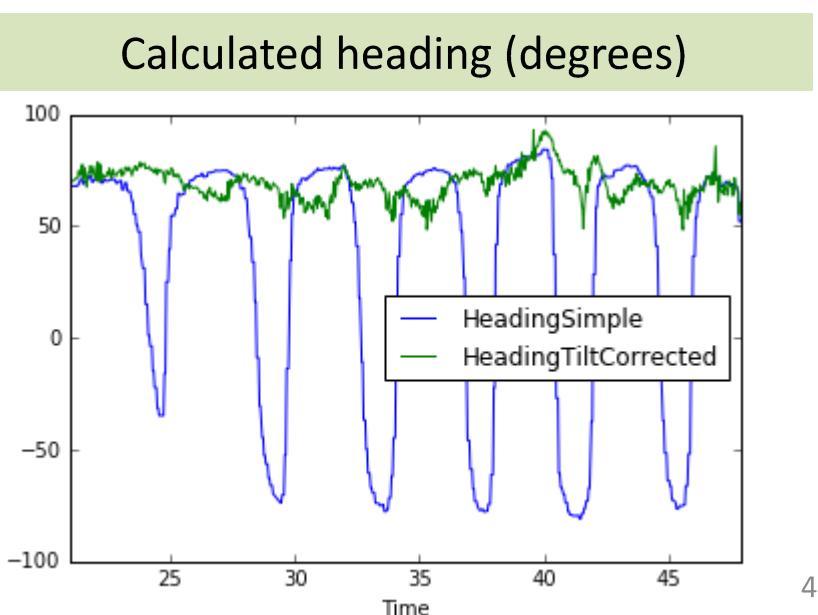
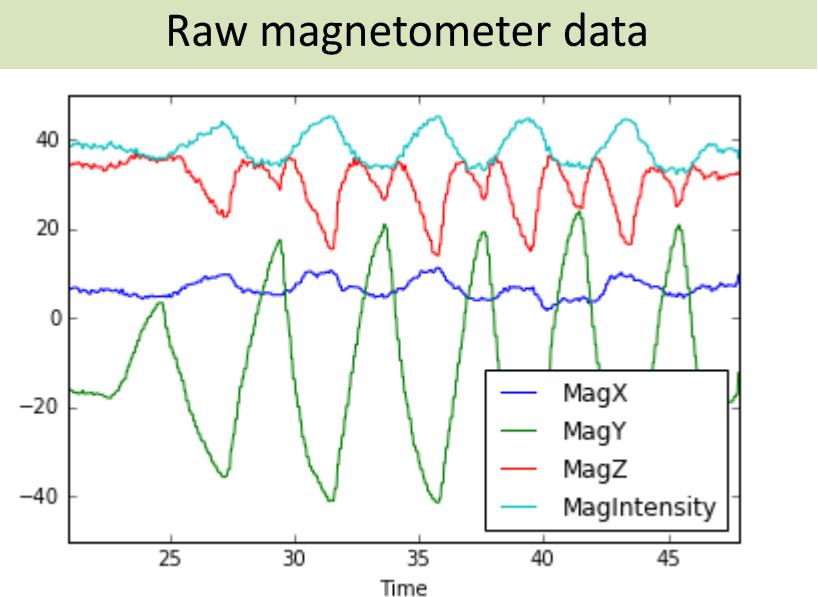
The input dataframe is assumed to have columns named
MagX, MagY, MagZ, AccX, AccY, AccZ.

```
"""
ax, ay, az = df.AccX, df.AccY, df.AccZ
mx, my, mz = df.MagX, df.MagY, df.MagZ
```

```
# Undo roll around X axis by angle phi
phi = np.arctan2(ay, az) # +/- 180 degrees
s, c = np.sin(phi), np.cos(phi)
az = ay*s + az*c
my, mz = (my*c - mz*s), (my*s + mz*c)
```

```
# Undo pitch around Y axis by angle theta
theta = np.arctan(-ax / az) # +/- 90 degrees
s, c = np.sin(theta), np.cos(theta)
mx, mz = (mx*c + mz*s), (-mx*s + mz*c)
```

```
# Calculate yaw angle psi around Z axis
psi = np.arctan2(my, mx)
s = pd.Series(psi*rad2deg, index=df.index,
              name='HeadingTiltCorrected')
return s
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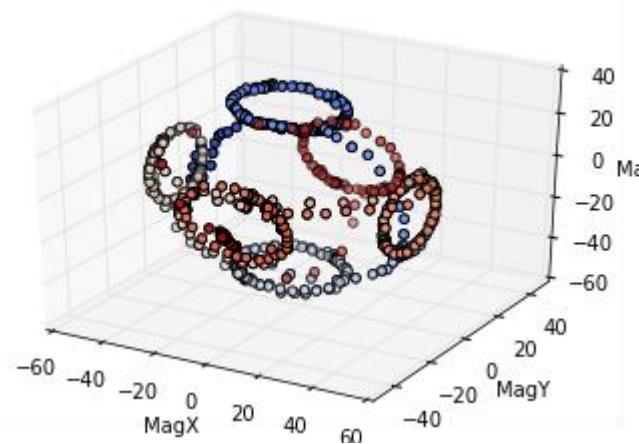


Example #2 – Simple magnetometer calibration

$$\mathbf{B}_{x,y,z} = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{R}_\phi \mathbf{R}_\theta \mathbf{R}_\psi \mathbf{B}_{\text{earth}} + \mathbf{V}$$

where \mathbf{V} = “hard iron”; \mathbf{W} = “soft iron”

Ideal readings lie on a perfect sphere



Proper calibration fits \mathbf{W} to an ellipsoid.

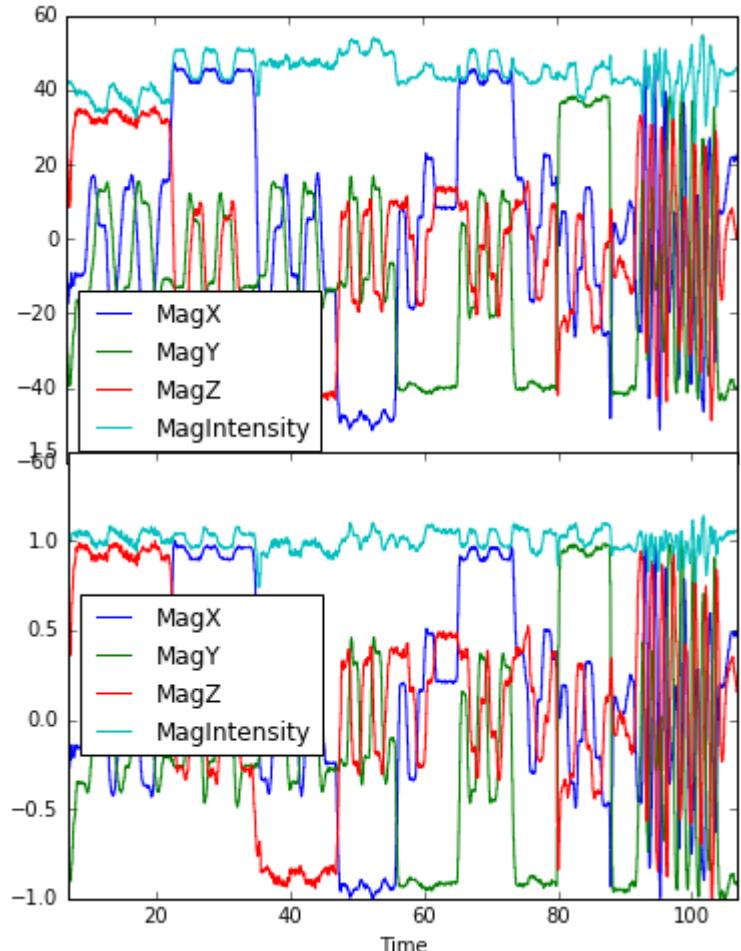
To simplify the example today, don't worry about rotation, just offset \mathbf{V} and scale \mathbf{S} :

$$\mathbf{V} = (\text{magXYZ}.min() + \text{magXYZ}.max()) / 2$$

$$\mathbf{S} = (\text{magXYZ}.max() - \text{magXYZ}.min()) / 2$$

$$\text{magXYZ_cal} = (\text{magXYZ} - \mathbf{V}) / \mathbf{S}$$

Pre- and post- calibration data



Example #3 – Mobile phone sensor data

List sensors, manufacturers, specs, etc

- **My Sensors**

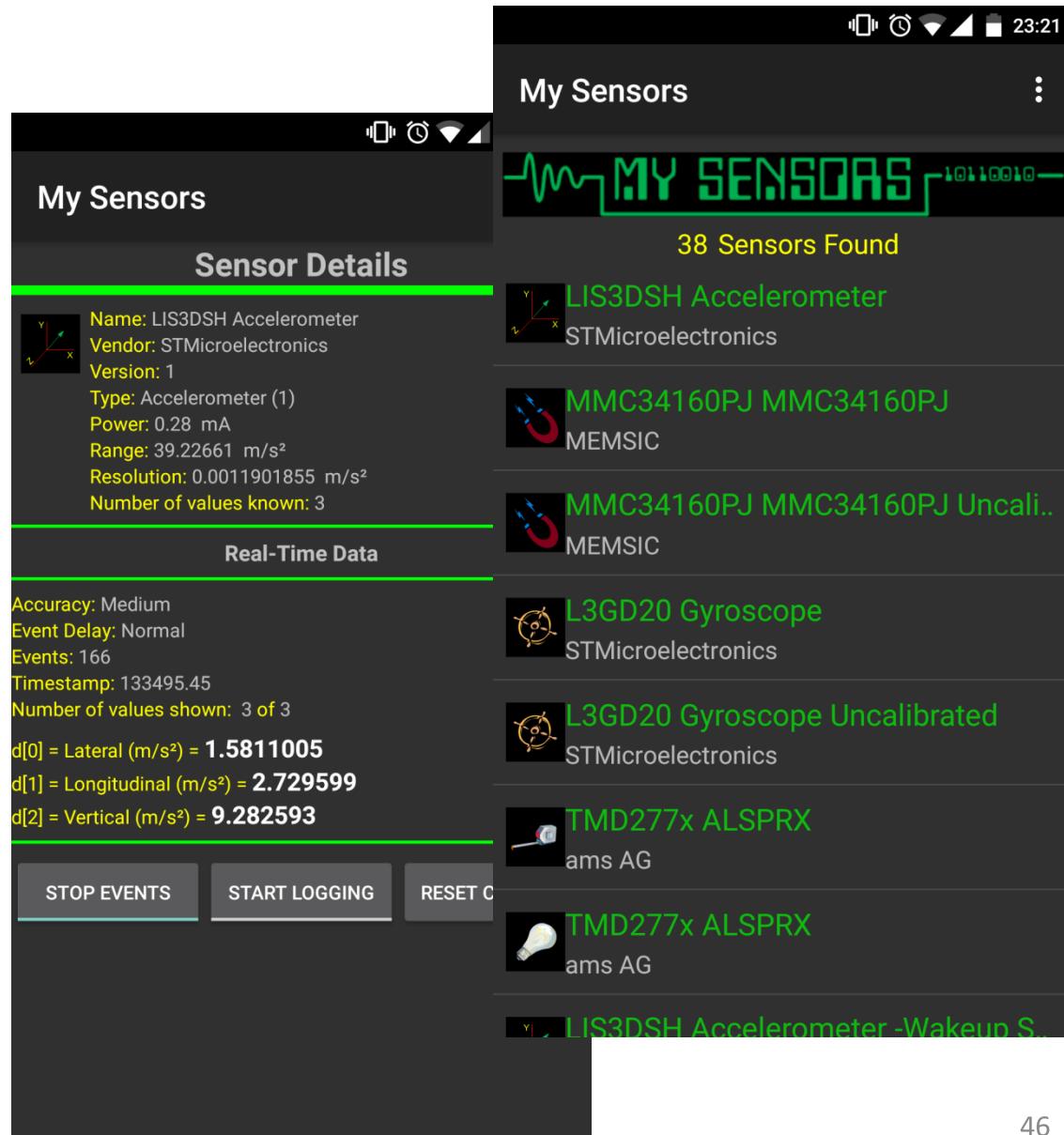
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Or write your own app for processing sensor data locally



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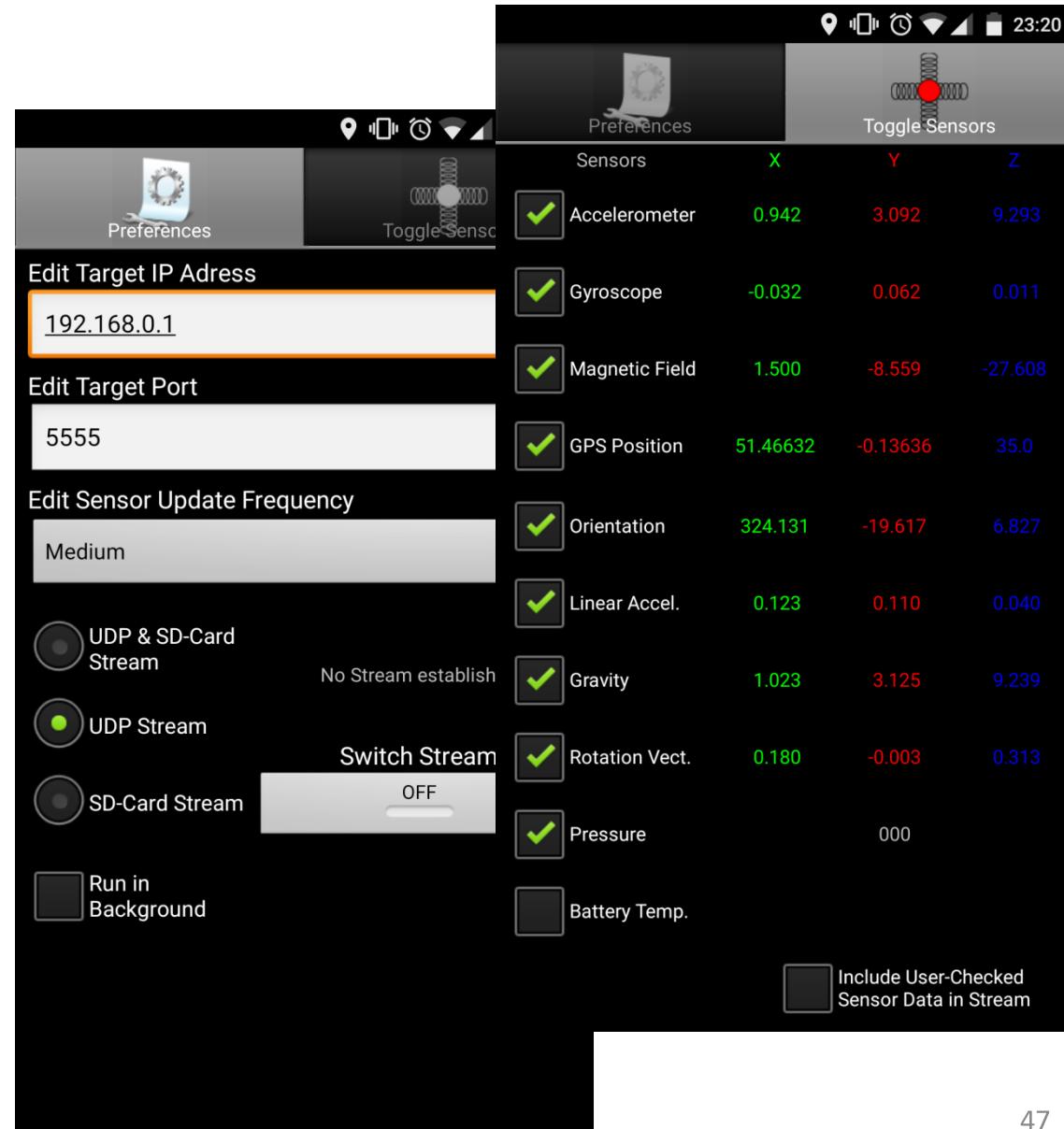
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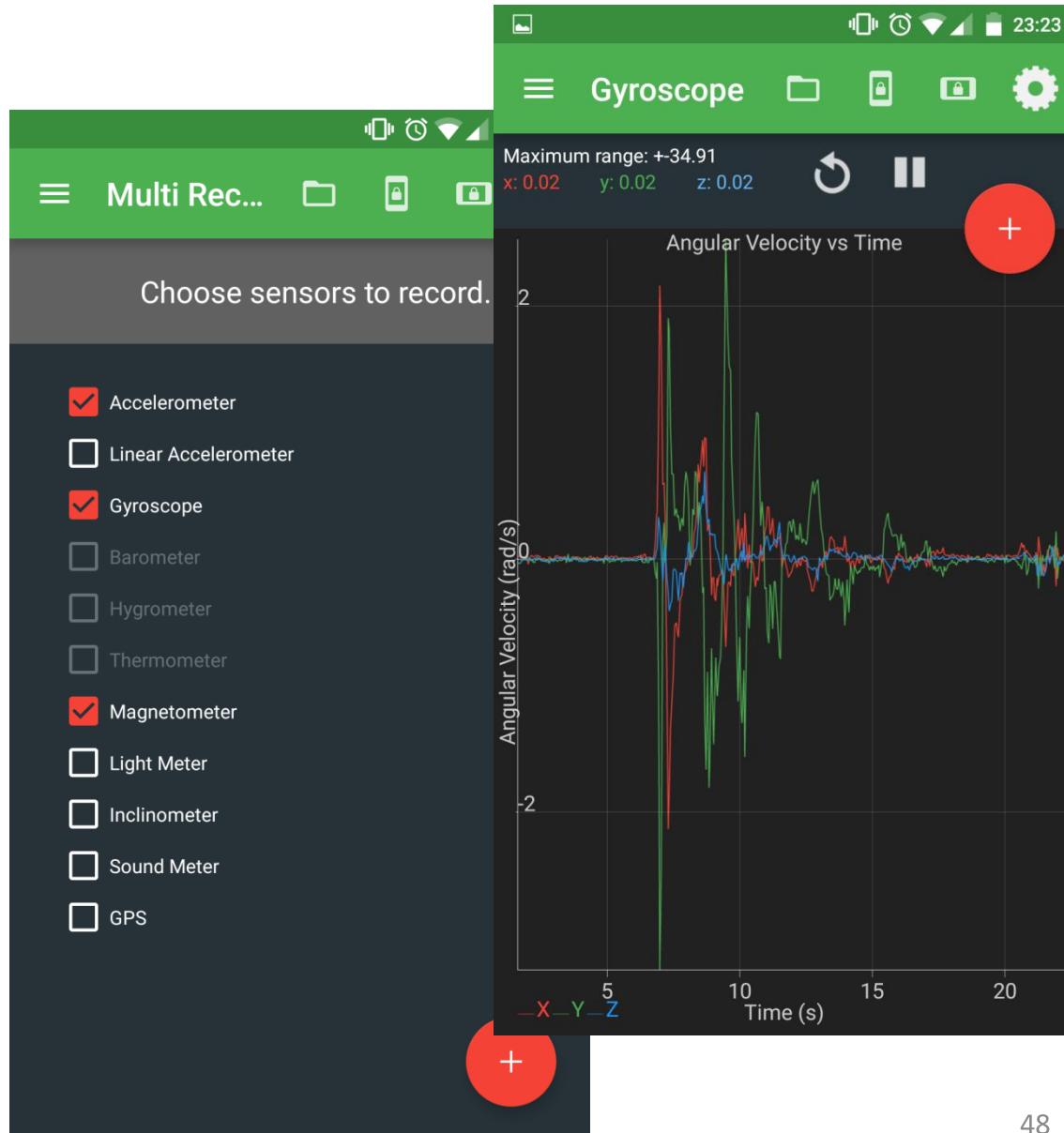
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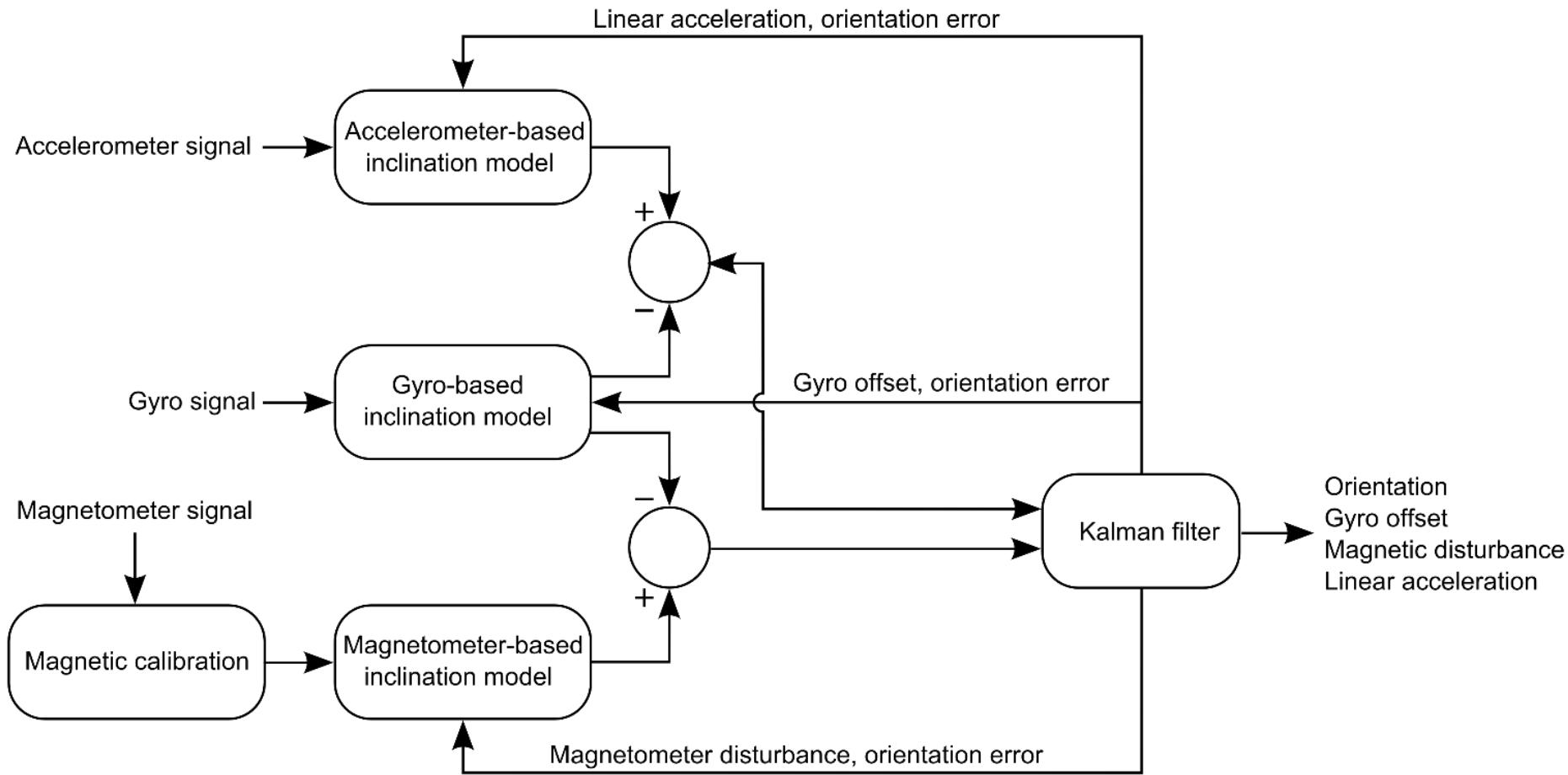
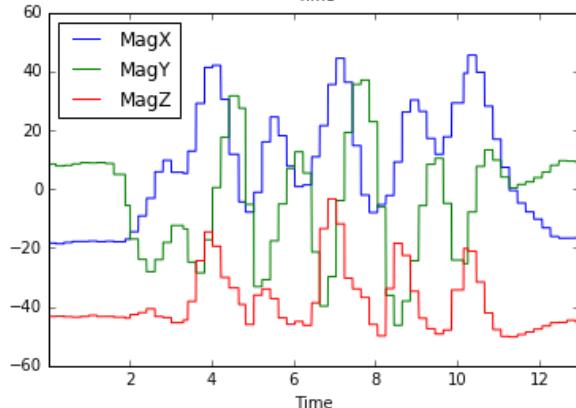
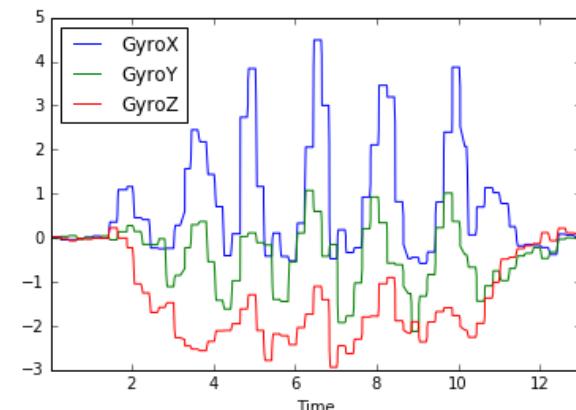
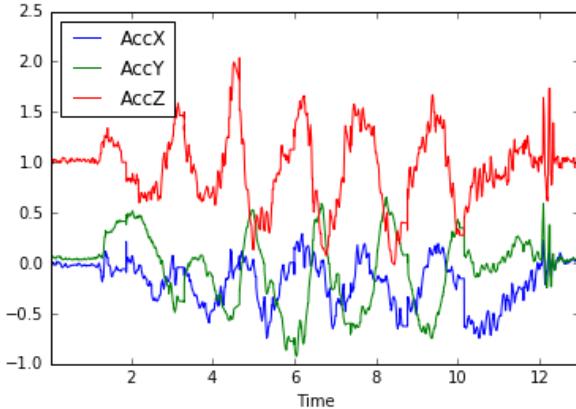


Diagram from NXP Sensor Fusion Library for Kinetis MCUs, release 7.00, August 2016

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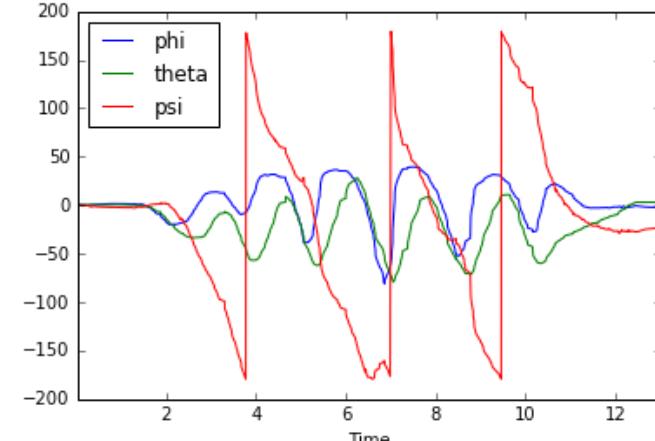
```
# Load 9-DoF sensor data as pandas DataFrame
df = pd.read_csv("data-IMU.csv")
names = 'Time,AccX,AccY,AccZ,GyroX,GyroY,GyroZ,MagX,MagY,MagZ'.split(',')
df.rename(columns=dict(zip(df.columns, new_names)), inplace=True)
df.set_index('Time', drop=False, inplace=True)

# Get data as numpy arrays that scikit-kinematics expects
aXYZ = df[['AccX', 'AccY', 'AccZ']].values
gXYZ = df[['GyroX', 'GyroY', 'GyroZ']].values
mXYZ = df[['MagX', 'MagY', 'MagZ']].values

# IMU using Kalman filter from scikit-kinematics
# http://work.thaslwanter.at/skinematics/html/index.html
rate = len(df) / (df.Time.max() - df.Time.min())

import skinematics as skin
quaternion_arr = skin.imus.kalman_quat(rate, aXYZ*9.81, gXYZ, mXYZ)
quaternion_obj = skin.imus.quat.Quaternion(quaternion_arr)
angles_arr = quaternion_obj.export('Fick') * 180/math.pi

angles df = pd.DataFrame(angles_arr,
                           columns=['phi', 'theta', 'psi'], index=df.index)
angles_df.plot()
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Project ideas

Orientation

- Read accelerometer data
- Figure out which simple gesture fits best ("falling", "left", "up" ...)
- Display first letter of the active gesture on the screen

Sports stats

- Log accelerometer data while repeated a sport-related action (running, hitting tennis ball, ...)
- Plot the time series
- Identify characteristic motion
- Find decision rules to pinpoint time when motion occurred
- Use decision rule to total sports stats (# actions, speed etc)

9 DoF IMU (Inertial Measurement Unit)

- Find a Python IMU project on GitHub
- Capture accel/mag/gyro data from mobile phone
- Reformat the data and feed into the IMU
- See how accurately this can track orientation/position using a Kalman filter

Goals for today...

Why play with motion sensors?

tiny sensors + fun applications + cheap
+ smart algorithms **in python**

Motion sensors then and now – 1852, 1965, 2016

- Example #1 – Wireless motion logging with BBC micro:bit

Data fusion – combining data from multiple sensors

- Example #2 – tilt-compensated digital compass
- Example #3 – 9 DoF IMU from mobile phone data

References

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BBC micro:bit (has accelerometer and magnetometer, no gyroscope)

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Data fusion concepts

NXP sensor fusion toolbox (version 7.00, 18 August 2016)

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Electronic compass projects (accelerometer and magnetometer)

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