

ECE 445: iBand

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*A brief description
of our project*

OBJECTIVES

*Supplemental
design
documentation*

OUTPUTS

*The conclusions we
found*

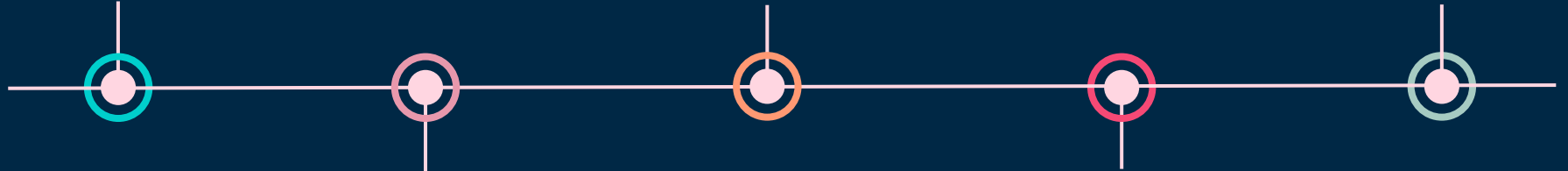
INTRODUCTION

*An explanation of
what we hoped to
achieve through
this project*

DESIGN

*Videos and graphs
of our output
values when the
iBand is worn*

CONCLUSION



Introduction

01

Problem Statement

- Surface electromyography (sEMG) is a non-invasive computer based technique that utilizes electrodes placed on an user's forearm to record electrical impulses produced by the nerve's simulation of the skeletal muscle.
- Products that leverage the information provided through sEMG signals for rehabilitation, educational, and recreational purposes already exist in the market today.

However, these devices are unable to withstand continuous use, do not provide the user with an ability to understand the data being collected and are expensive – ranging from thousands of dollars with the cheapest option being discontinued.

Objectives

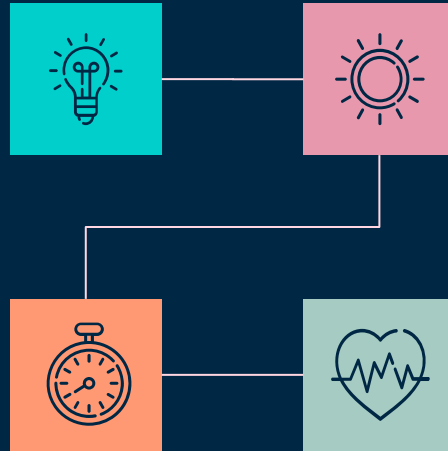
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sEMG Sensor

Measures the electrical impulses that muscle groups make when contracted

IMU Sensor

Measures the angular and linear acceleration of the object it is placed on



GSR Sensor

Measures the skin's conductivity which is directly related to the presence of perspiration

Pulse Sensor

Measures heart rate through the use of infrared light

Solution

Our solution to increase public accessibility and understanding of sEMG devices is to create an **inexpensive, durable, and portable** replacement to the now discontinued Myo Armband.

This will be done through :

Six sEMG sensors coupled with
medical grade electrodes

One Inertial Measurement Unit
(IMU)

One Galvanic Skin Response Sensor
(GSR)

One Pulse Sensor

High Level Requirements

Sensing and Size

between **22 cm and 44 cm**

have the ability to change
circumference without the
relative position between
sensors changing

Compact Size

new design must be smaller
and more compact than the
current design (**14.8cm wide
x 14.5cm long x 1cm tall**)

PCB must be less than 10 cm

Data Collection

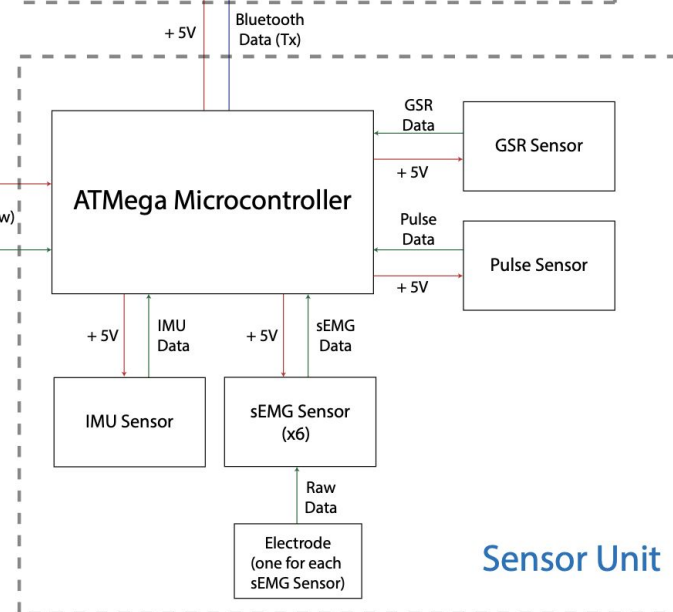
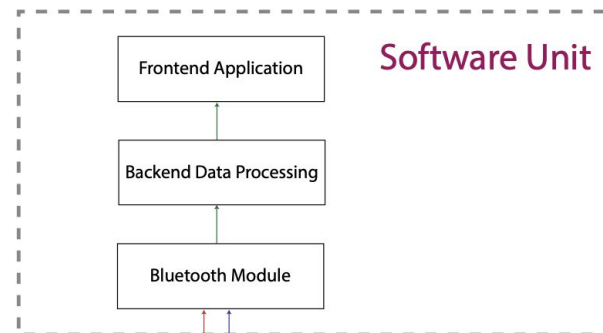
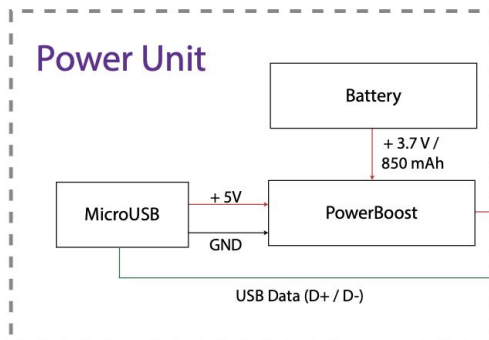
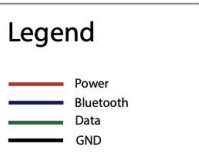
collect data for at least two
hours with minimal to no
discomfort put onto the user

raw data from the sensors
must be displaced in
real-time

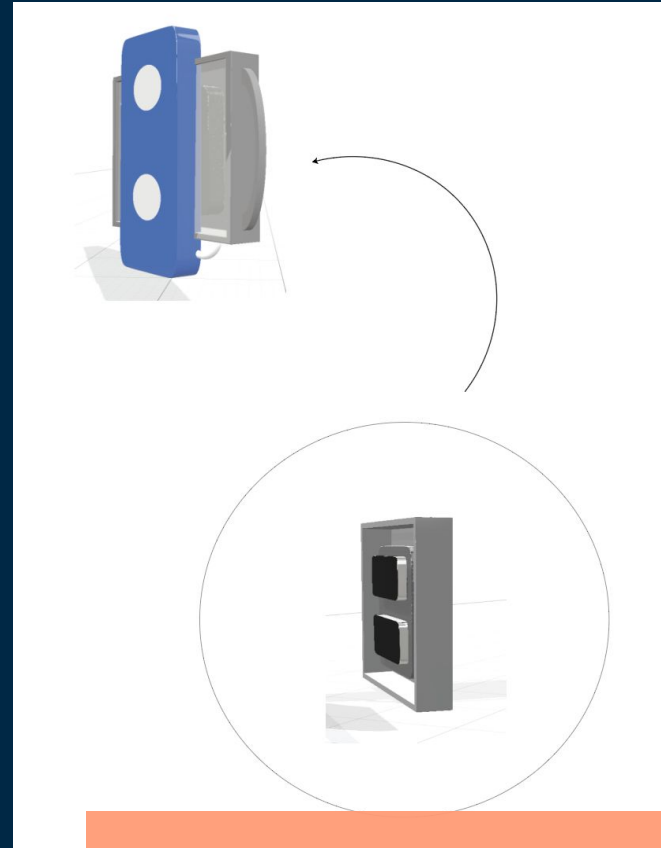
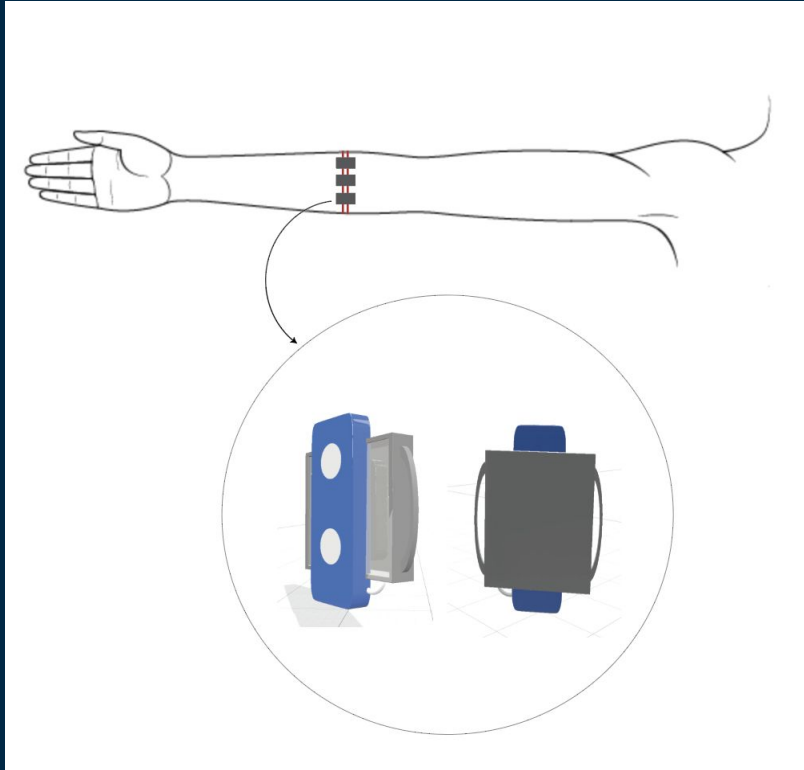
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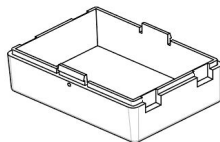
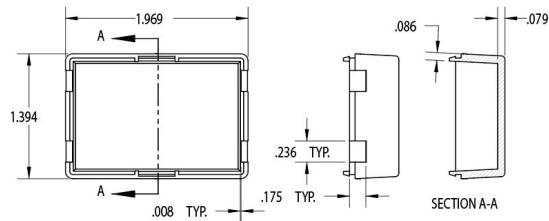
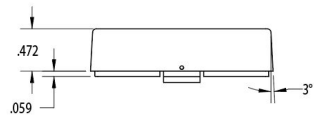
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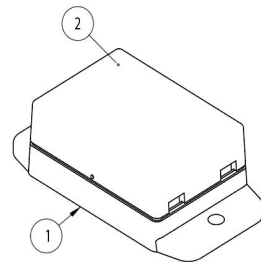
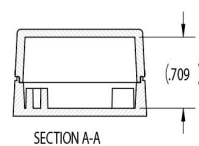
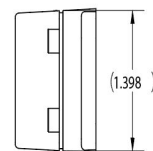
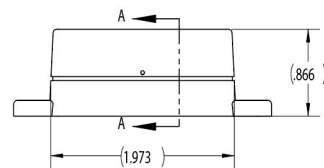
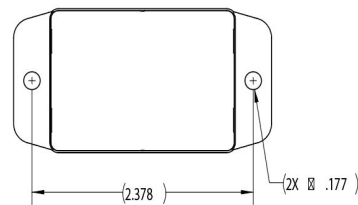
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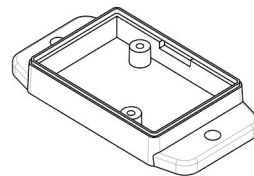
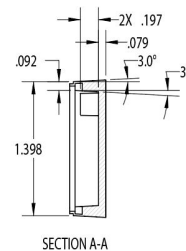
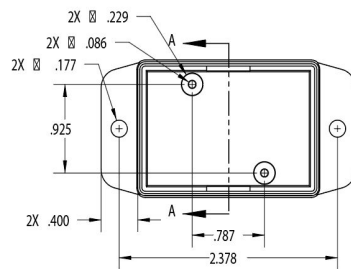
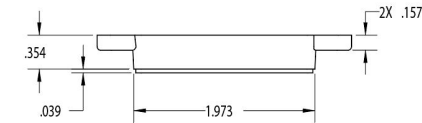
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PART NUMBER: SN-20C-01
MATERIAL: ABS
COLOR: BLACK
FLAME RATING: UL94-HB



Design : Visual Aids



PART NUMBER: SN-20B-01
MATERIAL: ABS
COLOR: BLACK
FLAME RATING: UL94-HB

Requirements & Verification



Power Subsystem

Output voltage is $5.2V \pm 50mV$ and output current is between 0-1A

Battery supplies power for 2 hours



Software Subsystem

The input voltage to the bluetooth module is $5V \pm 1V$

Bluetooth connection is enabled and exposed to external devices

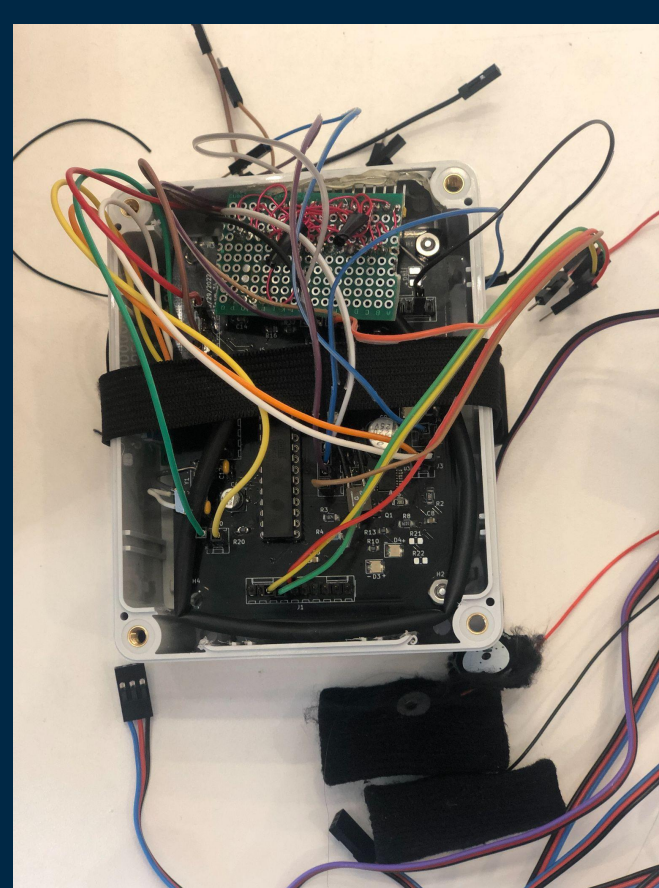
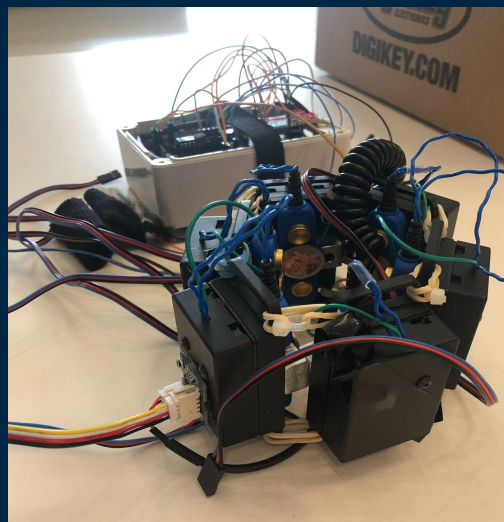
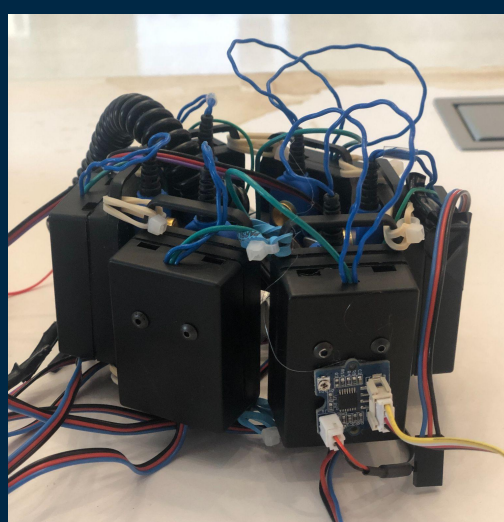


Sensor Subsystem

sEMG sensor outputs a filtered signal between $|0-1000|$ units

IMU sensor correctly reflects changes in spatial position

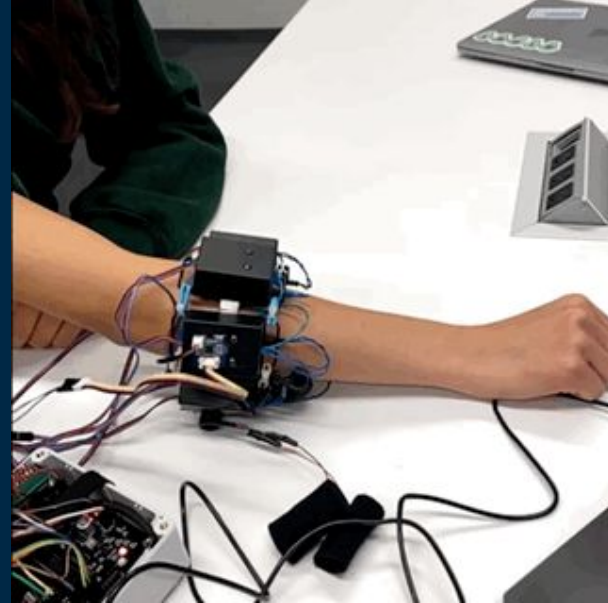
Pulse sensor measures values for BPM (Beats Per Minute) of the actual heart rate of the user

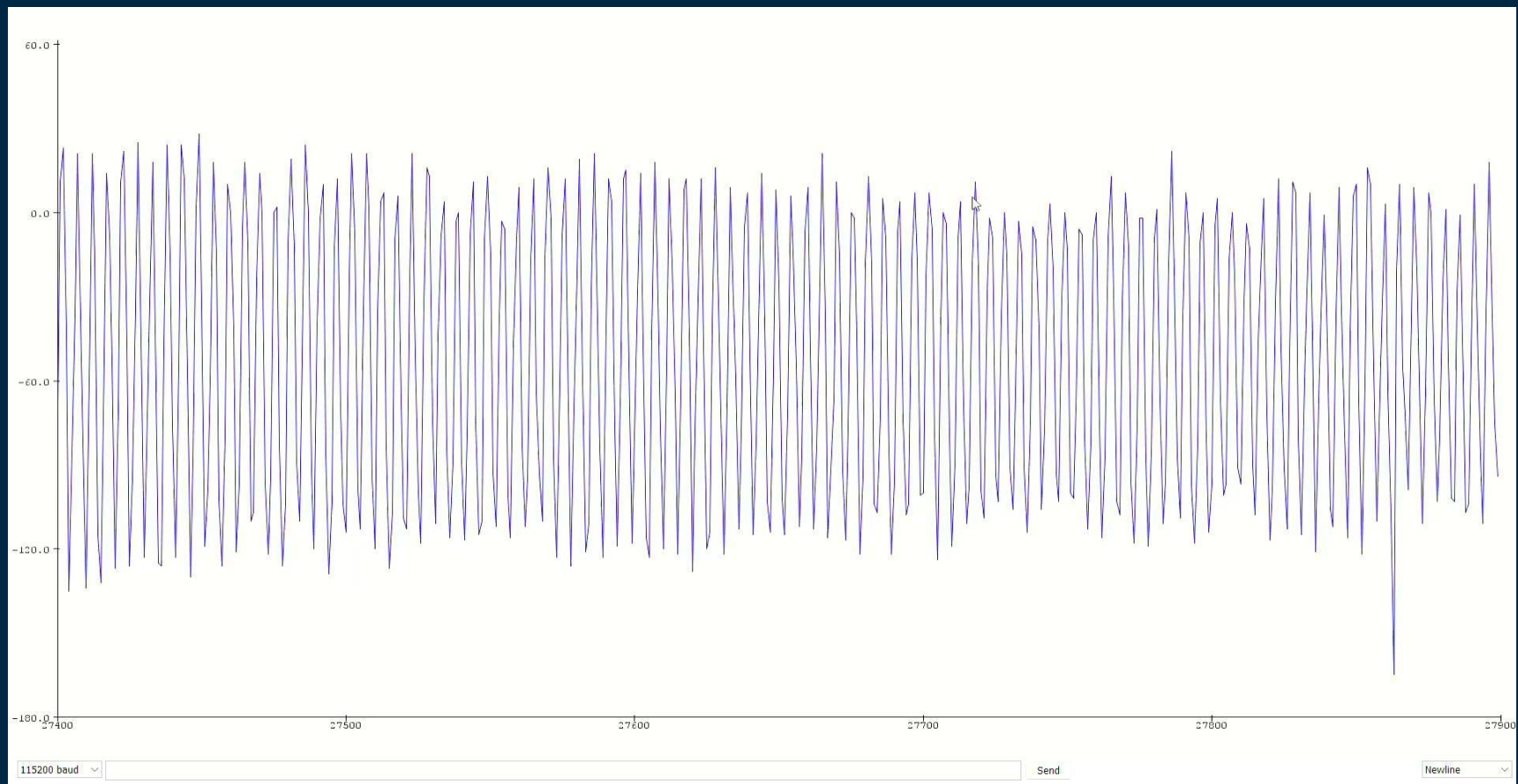


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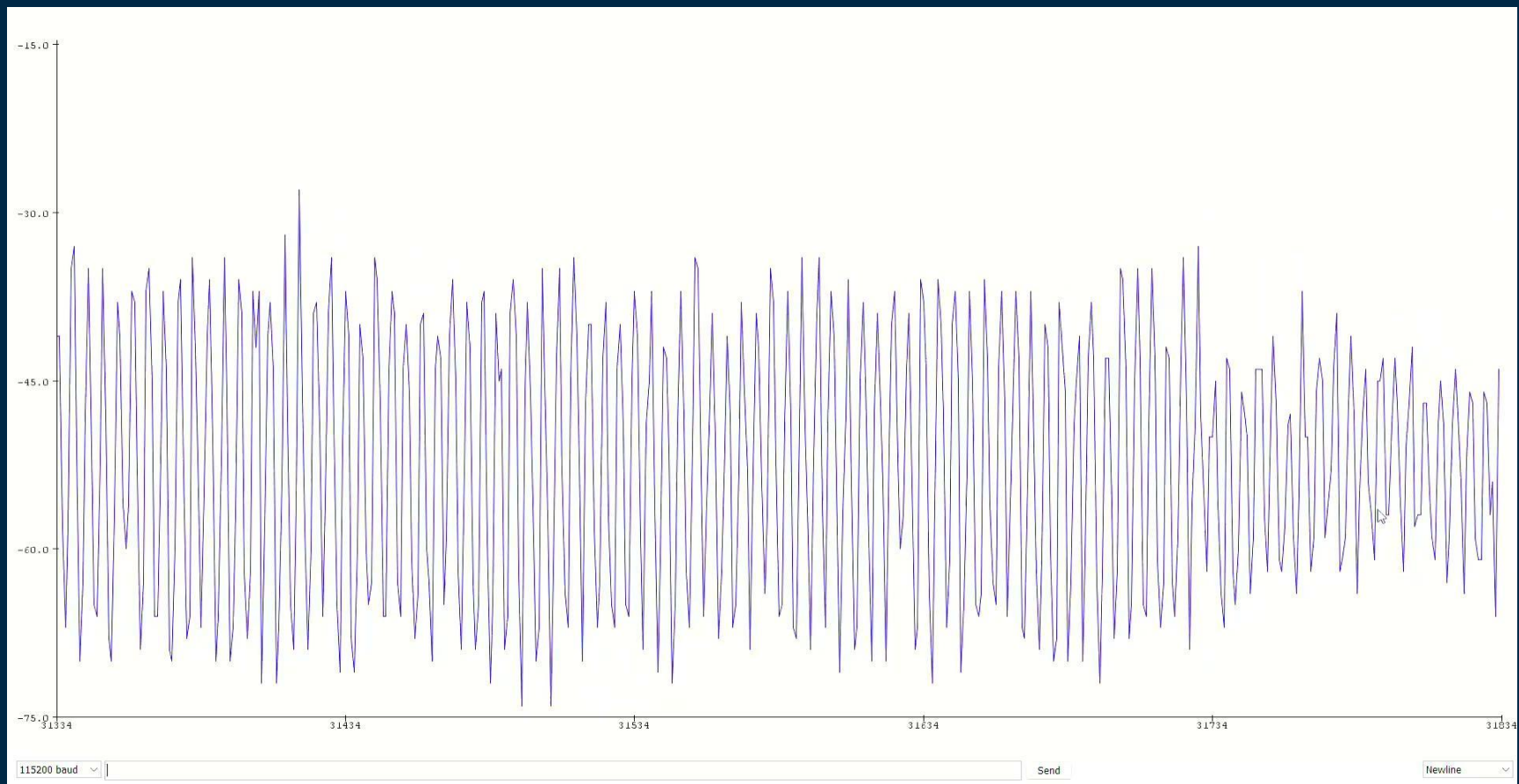
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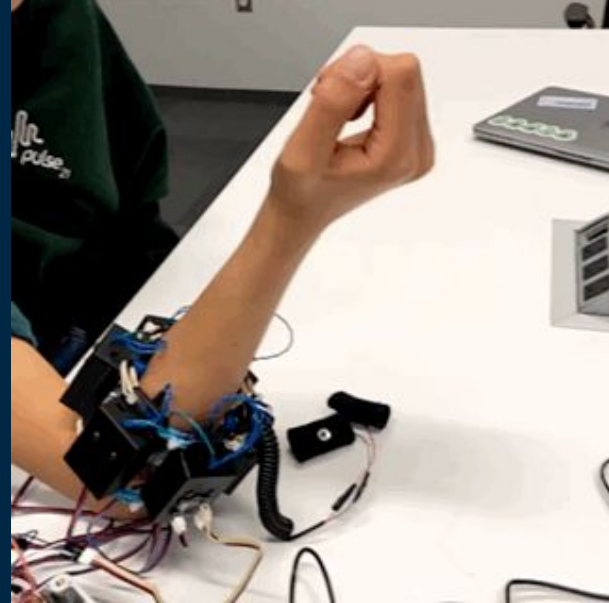


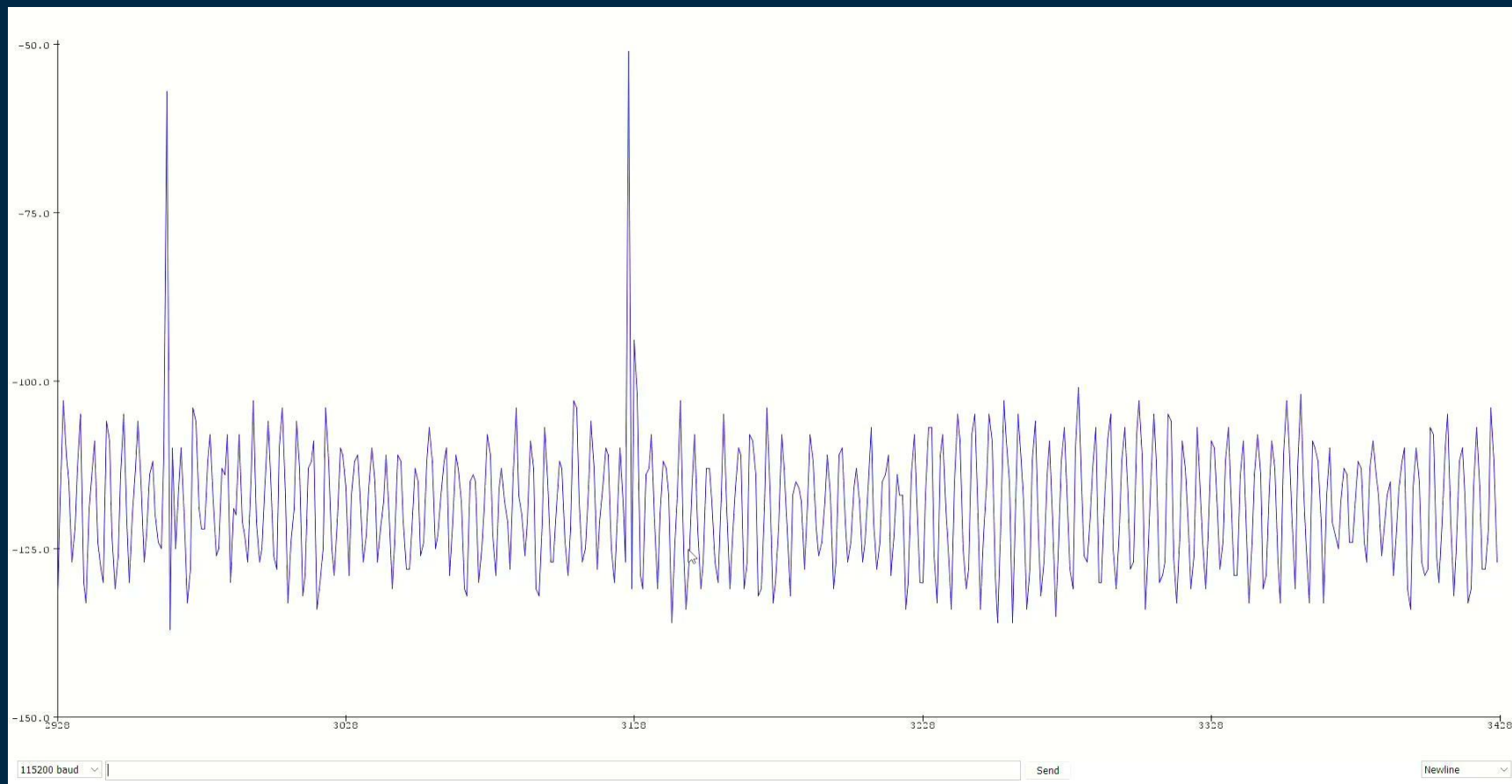
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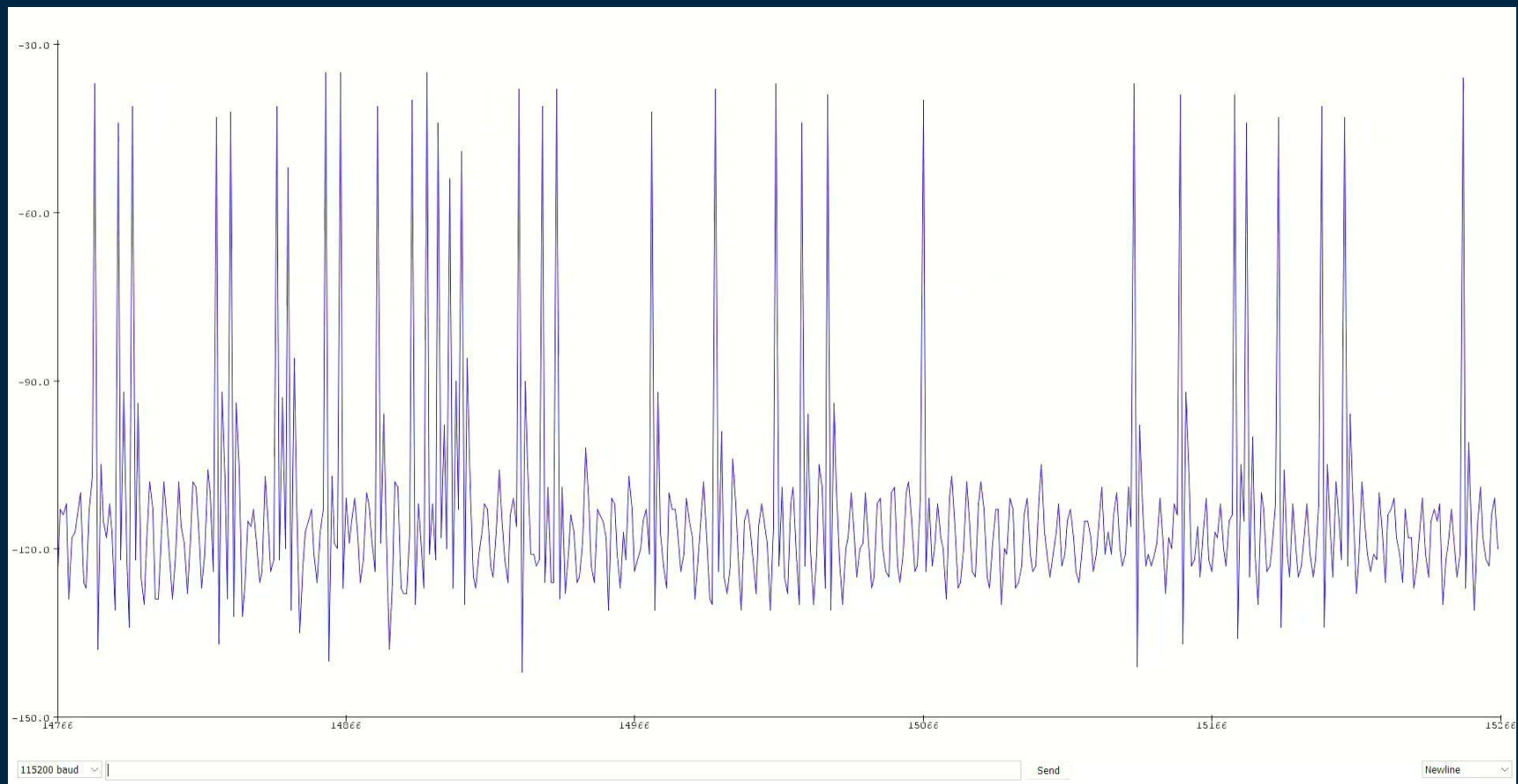
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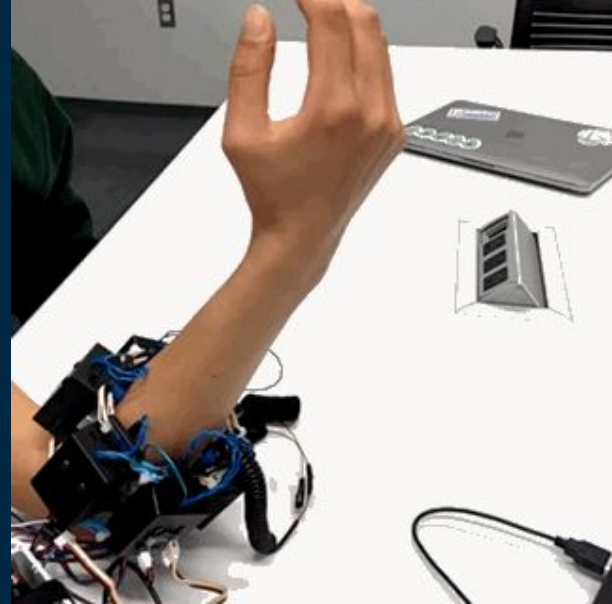


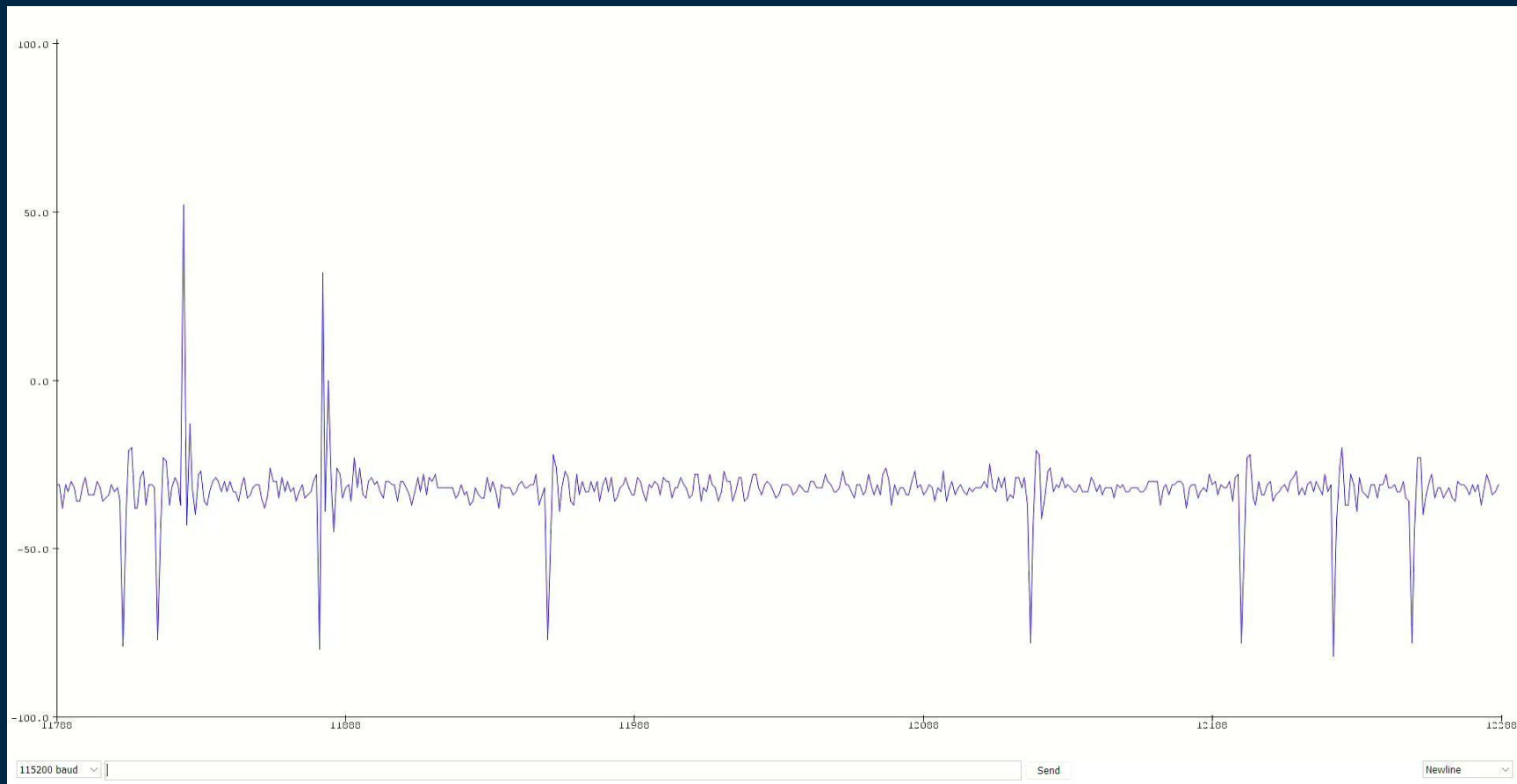
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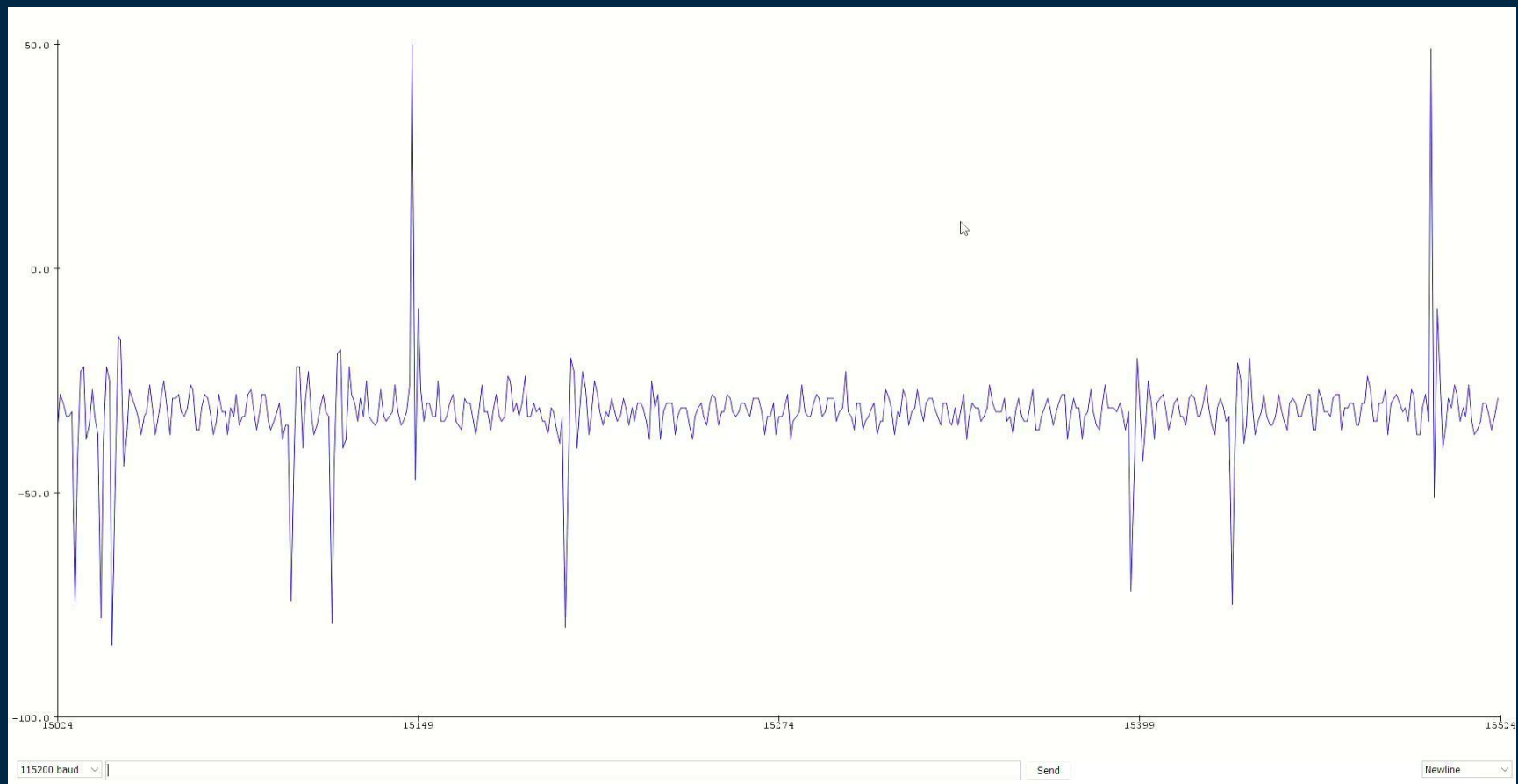
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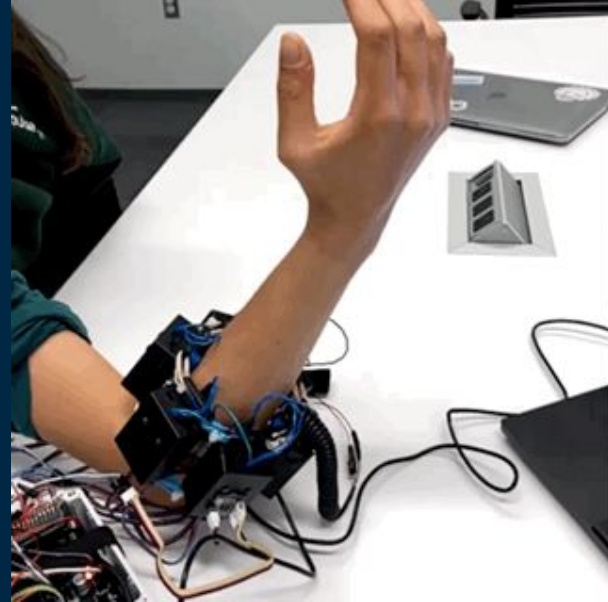


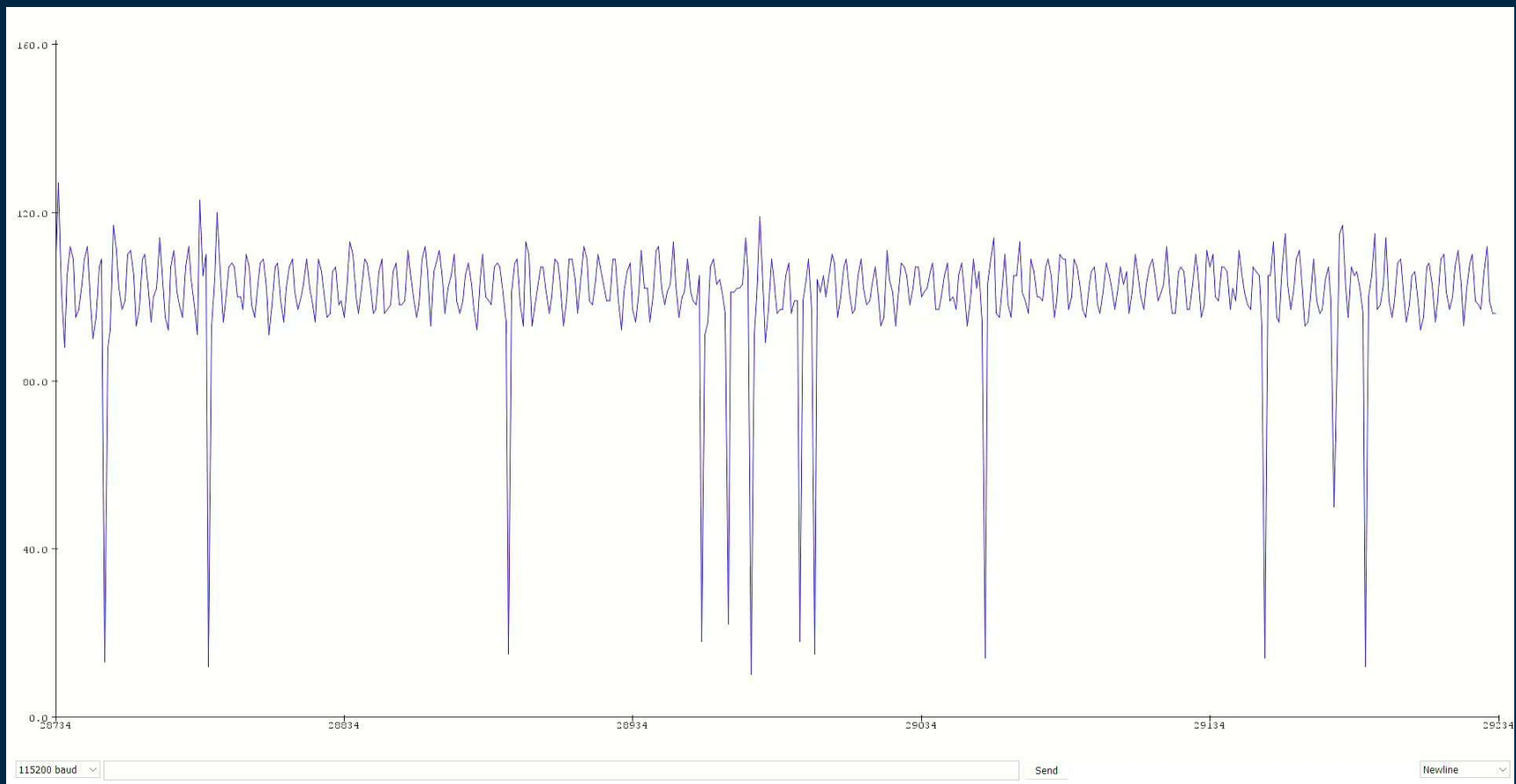
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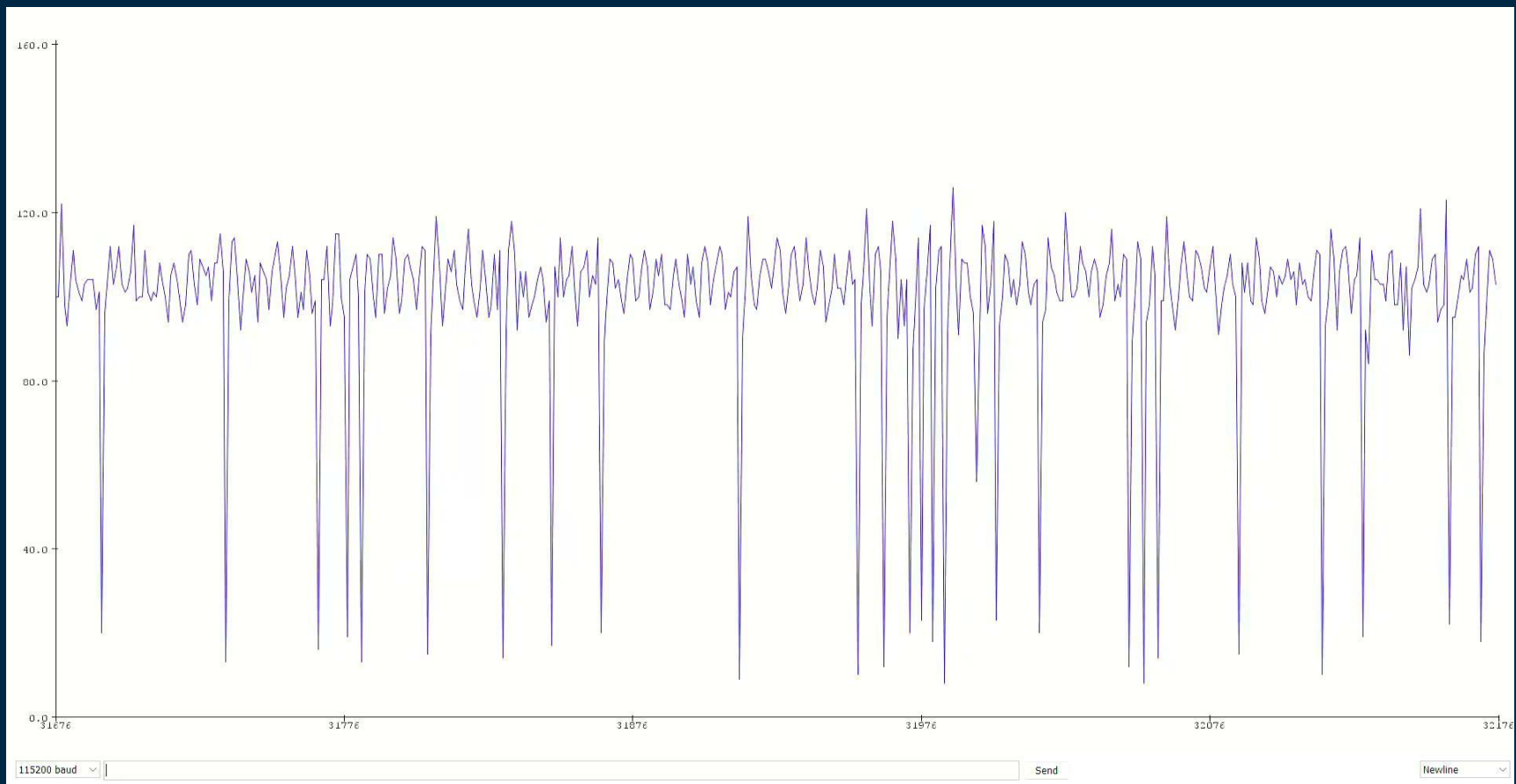
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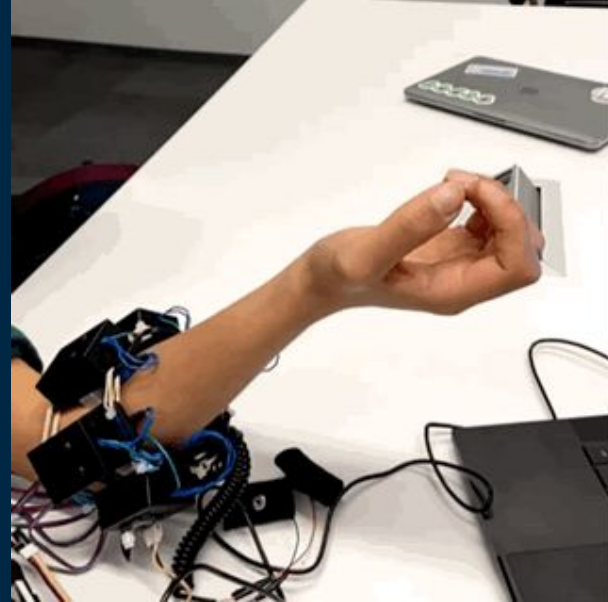


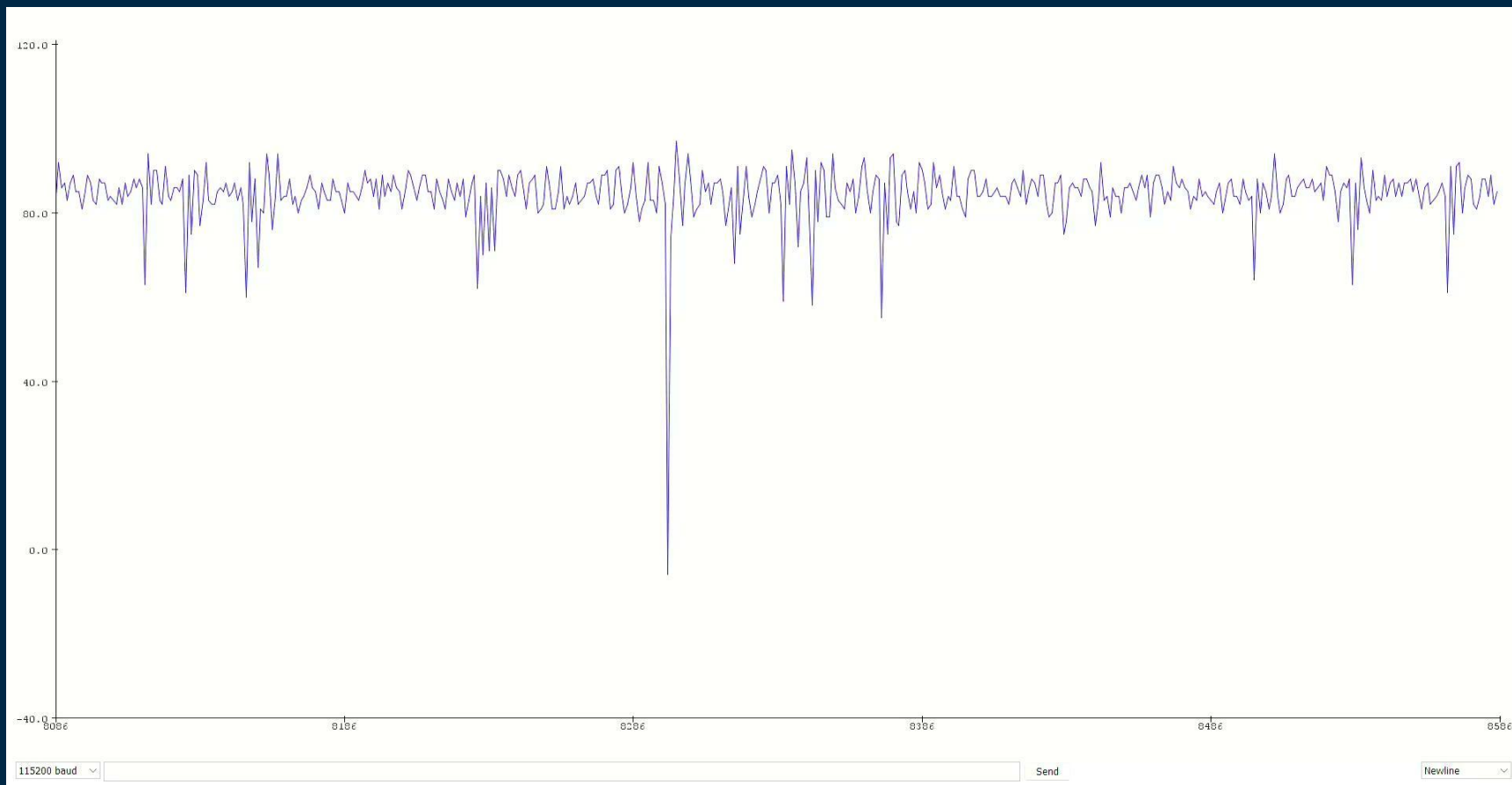
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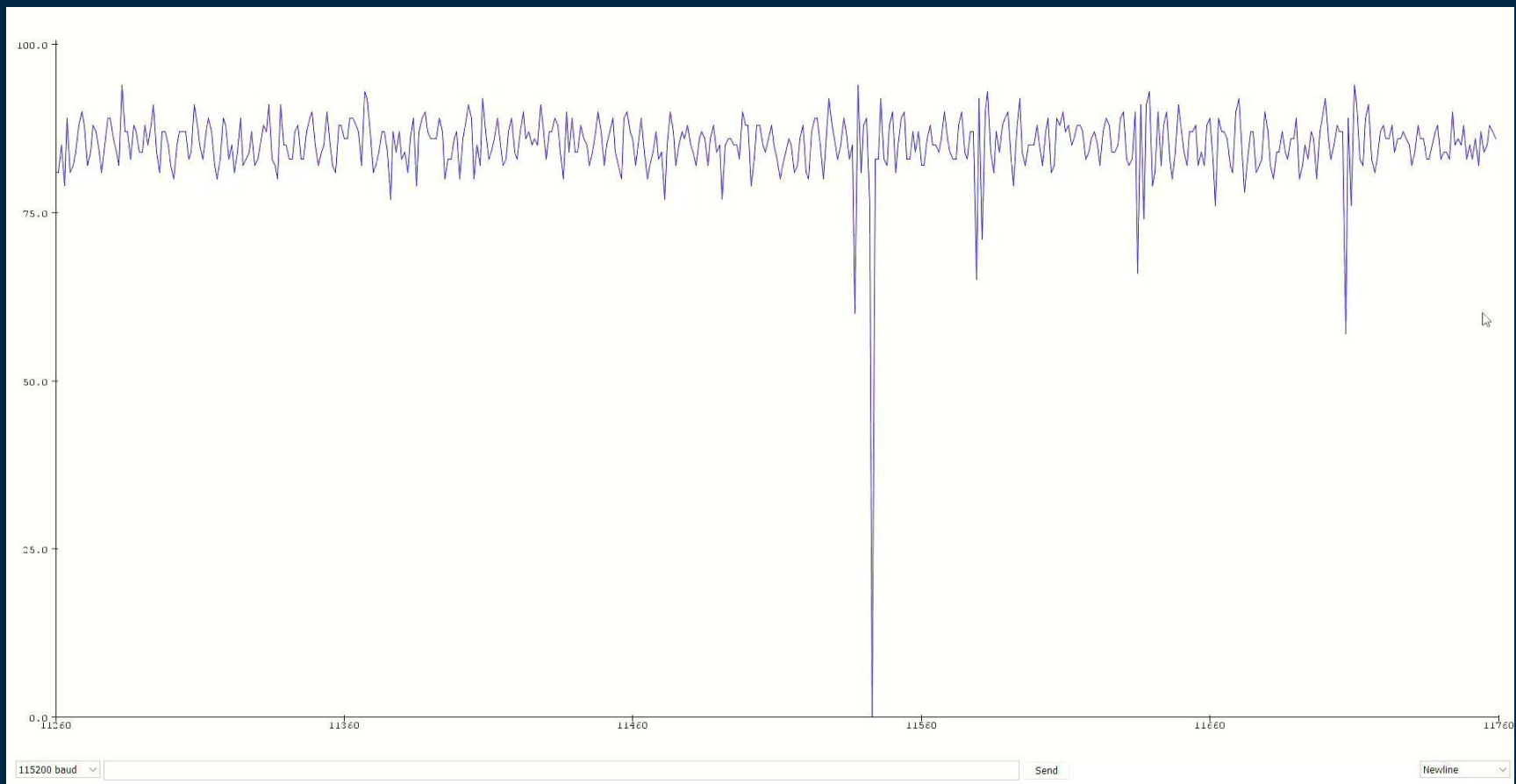
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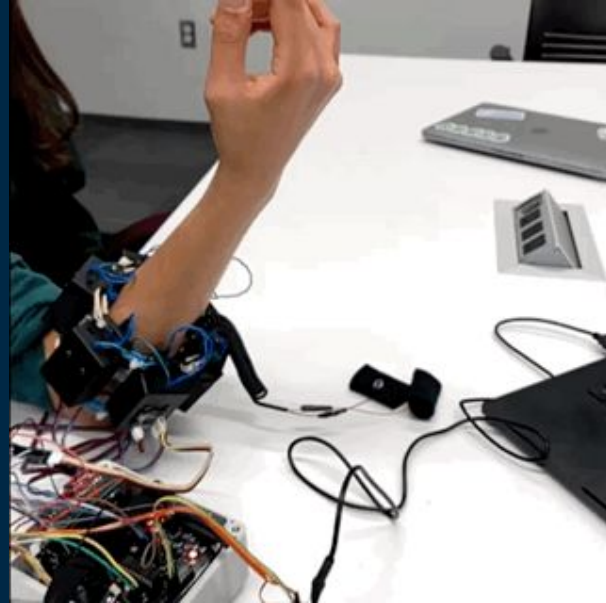


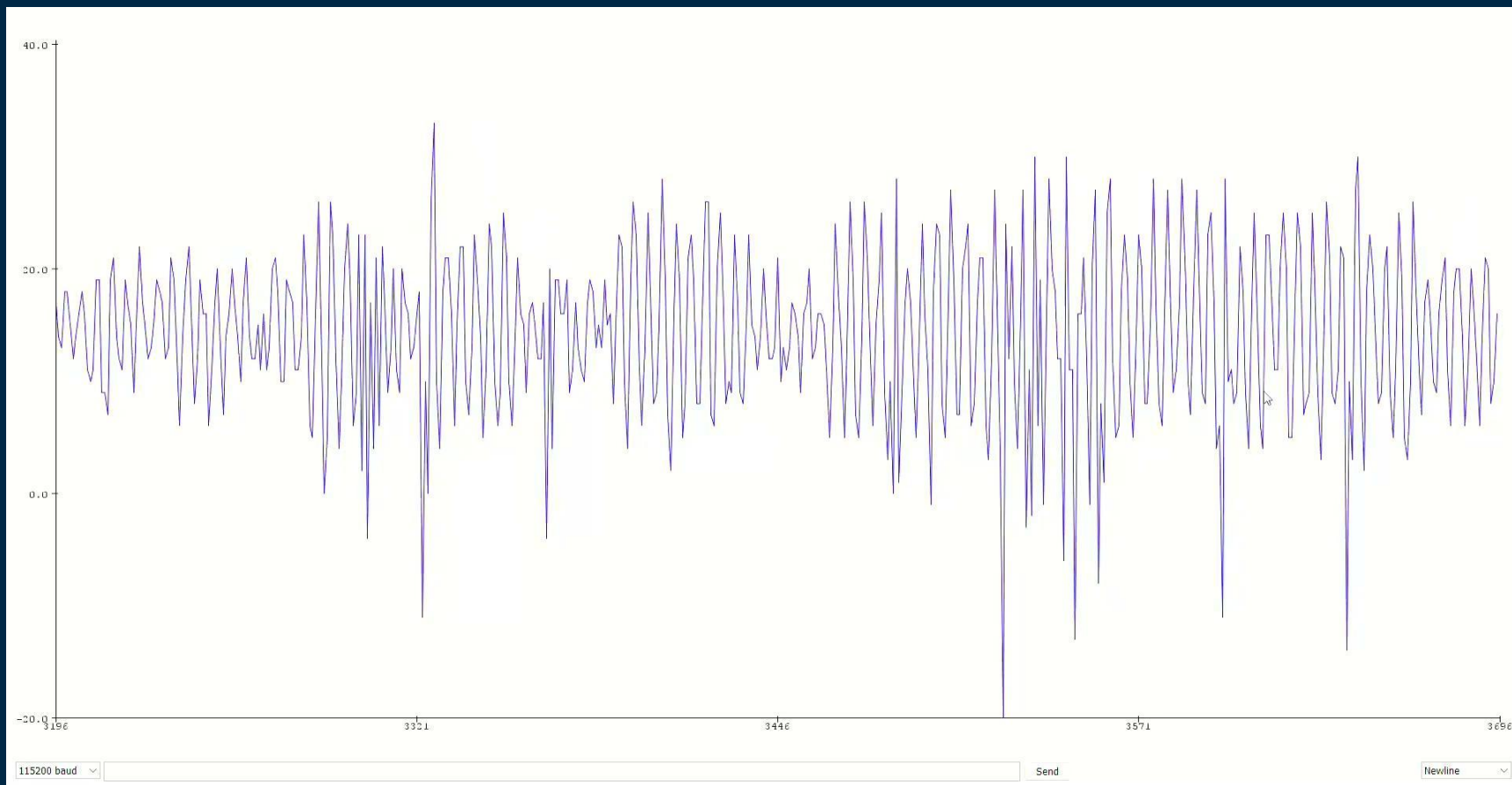
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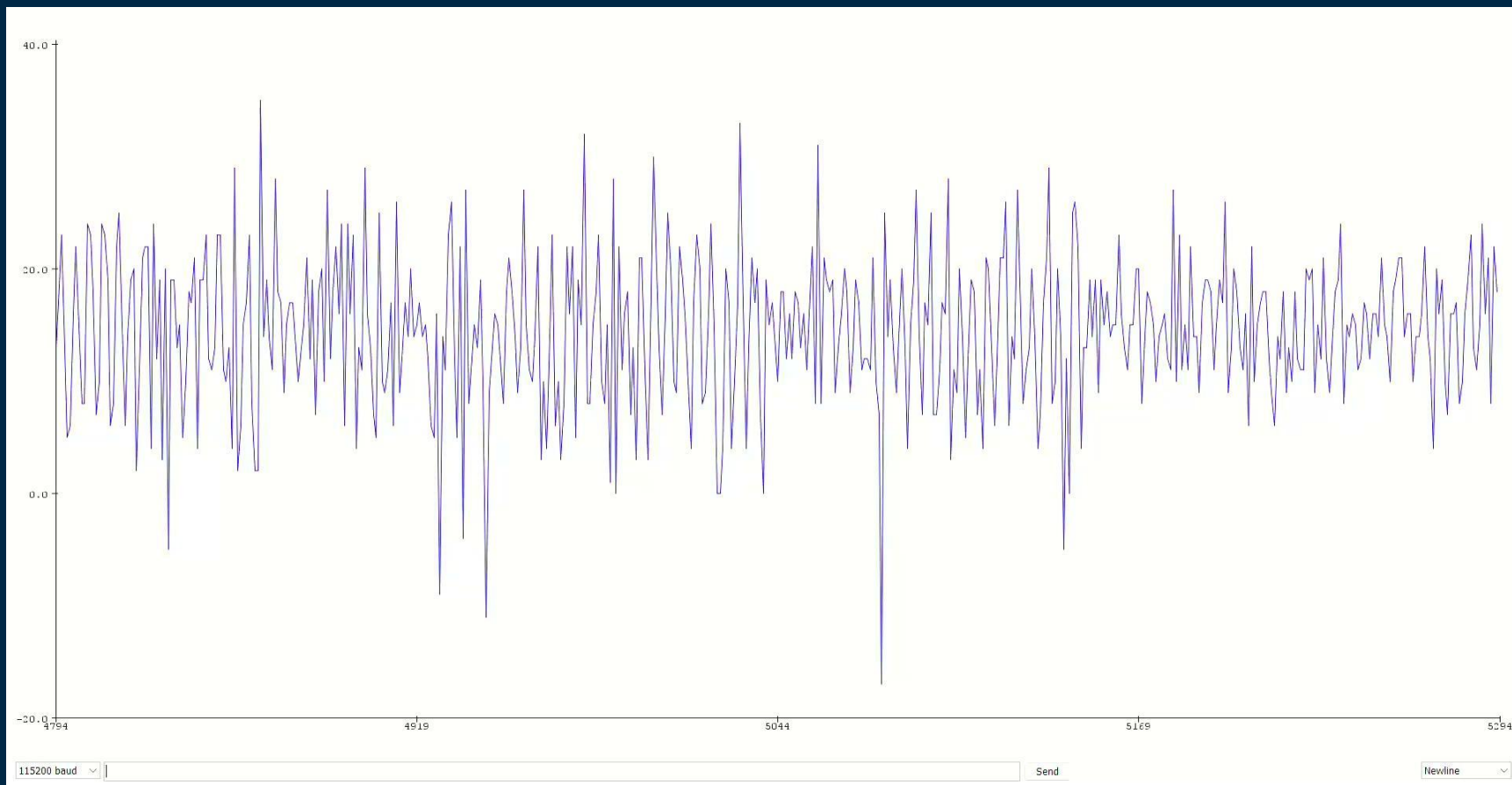
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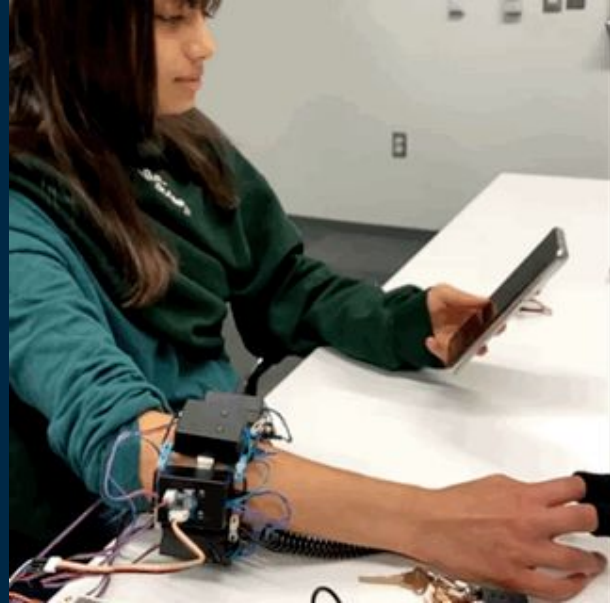


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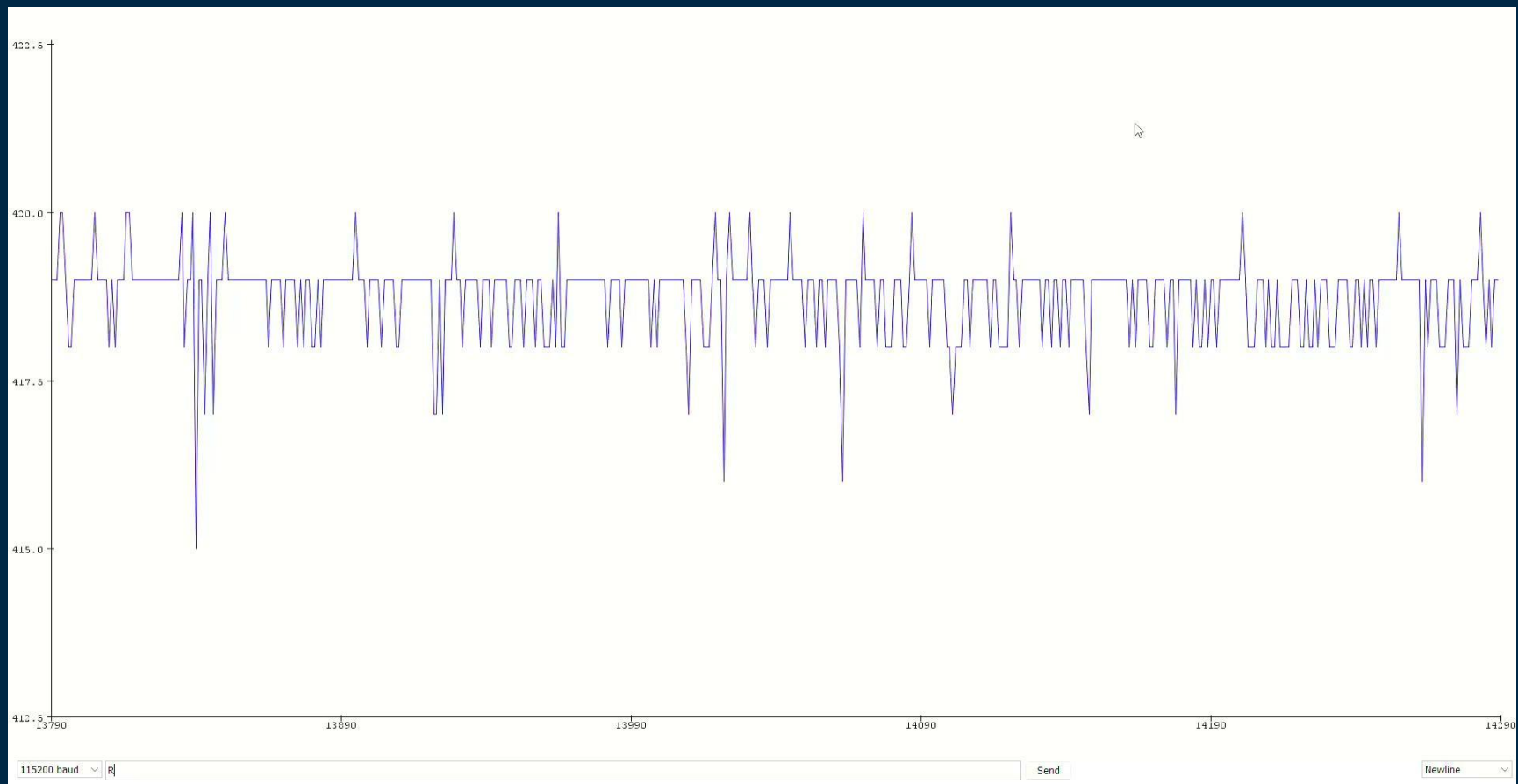
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GSR
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GSR
stressed





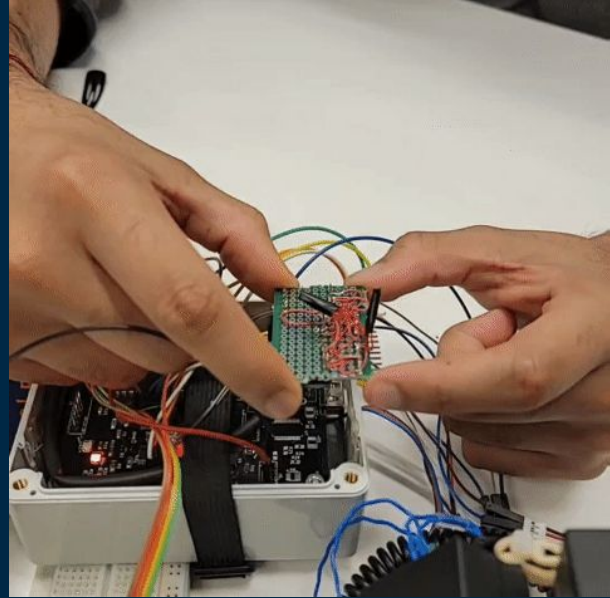
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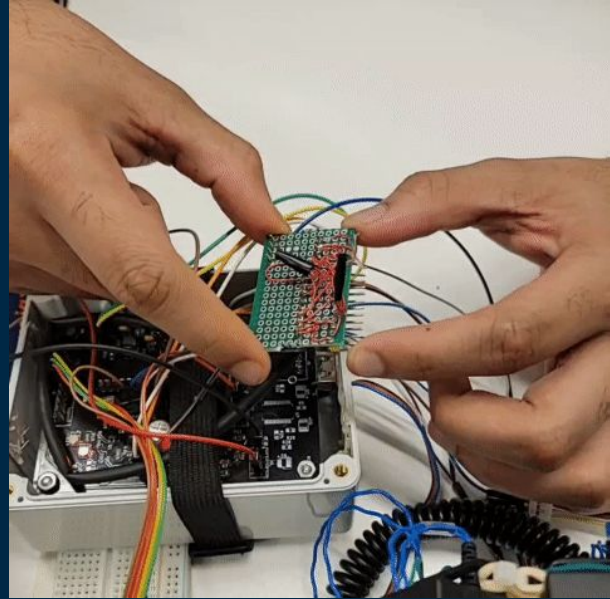
IMU

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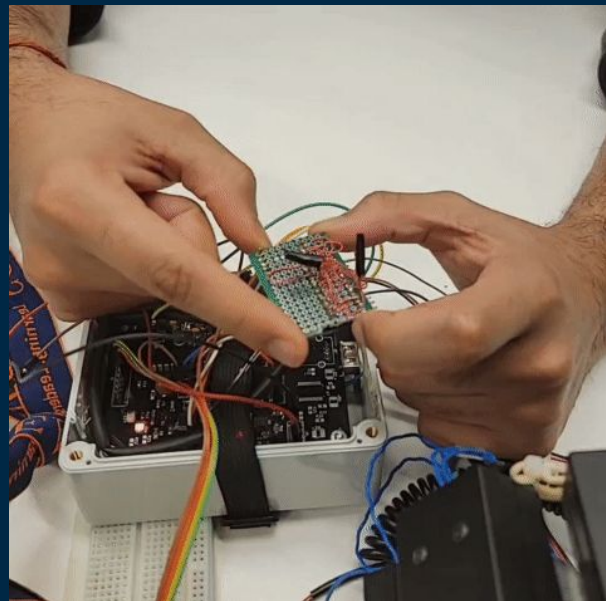
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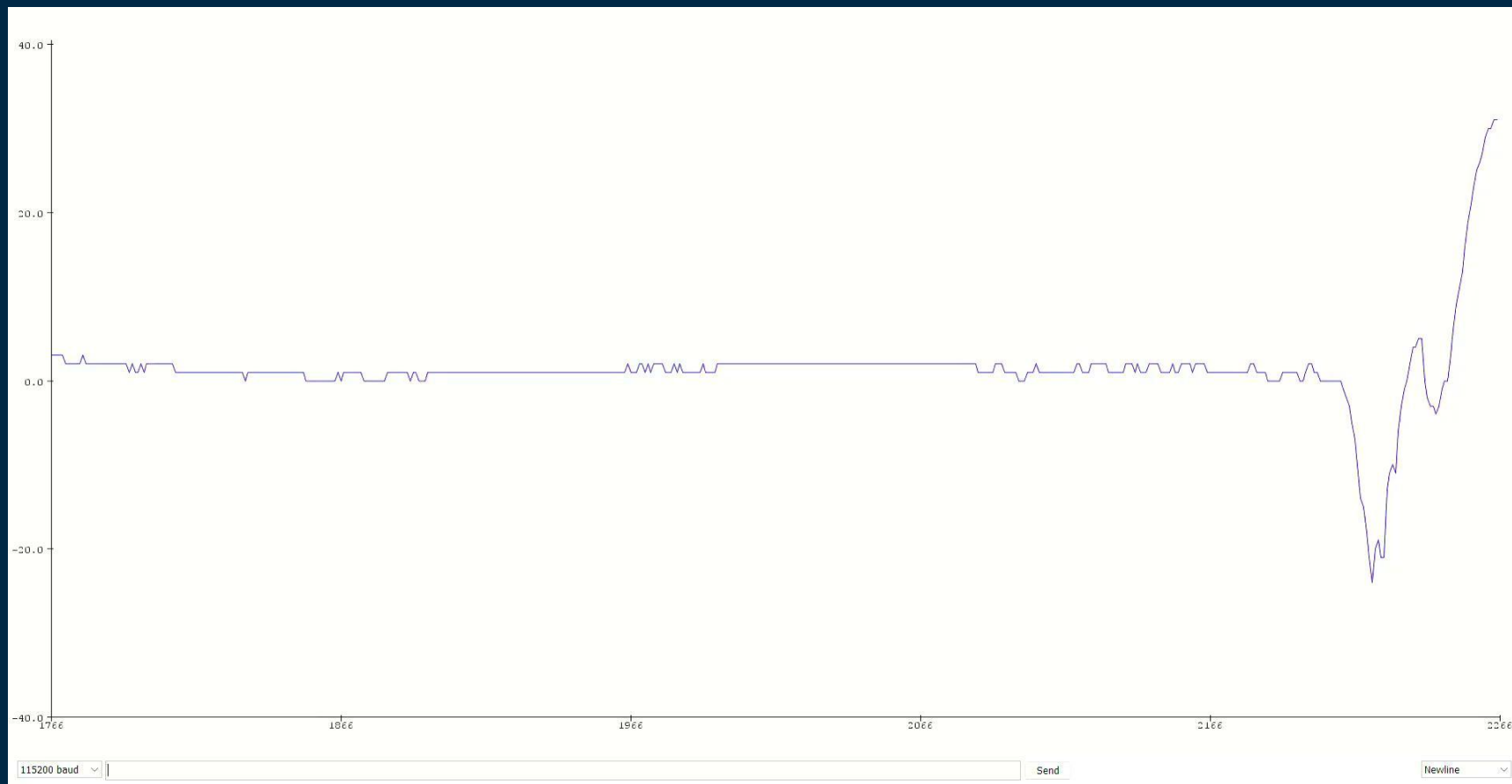
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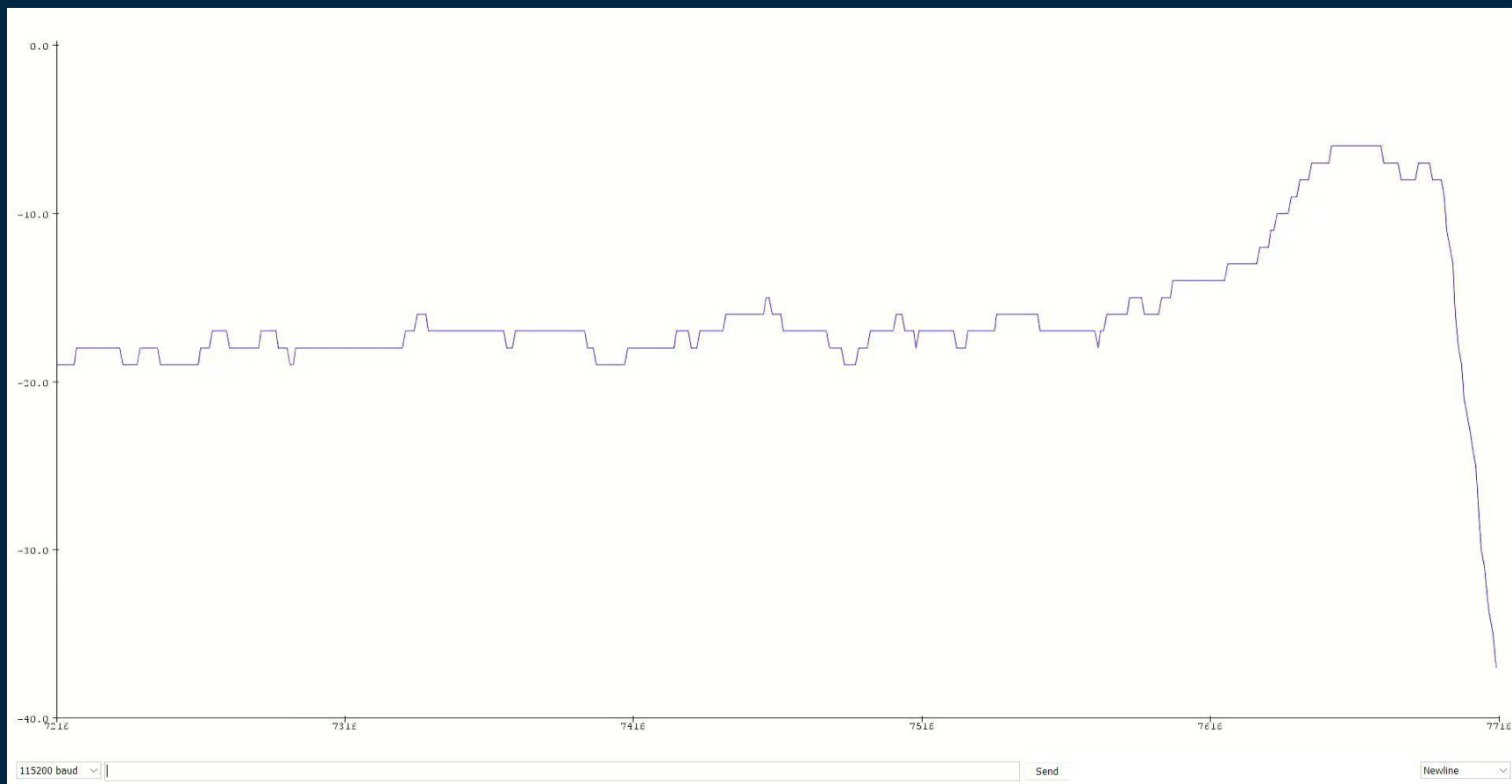
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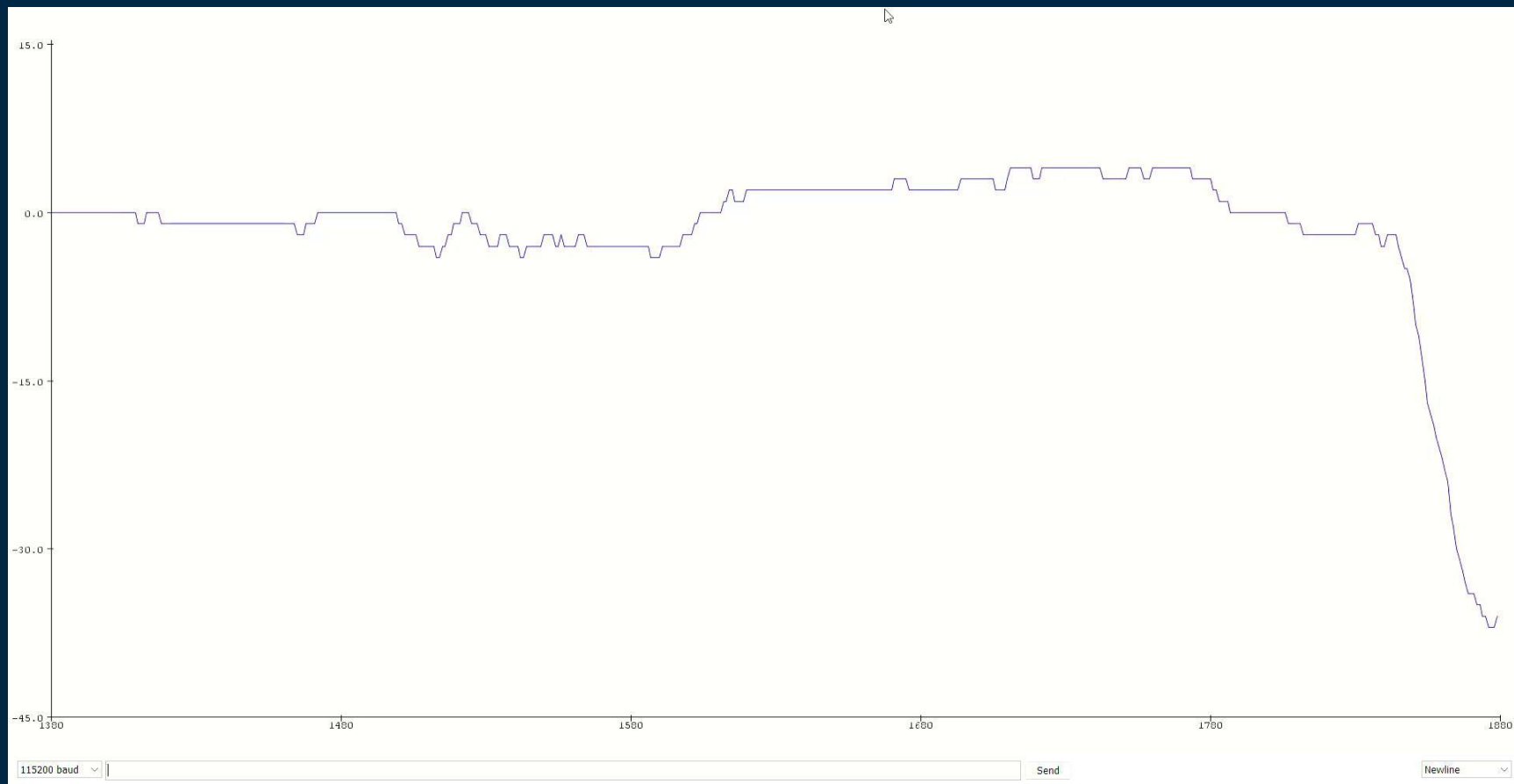




Pitch



Yaw



Roll

Pulse

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Pulse Sensor Reading

Pulse Sensor Verification



Conclusion

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Problems Encountered

1. **USB-to-UART IC** was not properly designed on the PCB
 - a. **DTR and DSR** are not supposed to be connected together
 - b. The **CTS** is an input signal that should be high in order to control data transmission over the **UART** interface.
2. **ADC** had pull-down resistors but needed pull-up resistors for **SCL** and **SDA** for proper serial communication

Summary

1. All sensors gave reliable and accurate data
2. Calibrated all sensors and filtered the data
3. Project met all the high-level requirements

Future Plans

1. Down-size PCB and fix errors
 - a. **USB-to-UART IC** as well as **ADC**
2. Move from hardware to software filtering for sEMG sensors
3. More research needs to be done on sensors
 - a. Placement may not be ideal for certain use cases
4. Continuous polling in real-time can be improved upon and made instantaneous

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