

MмCows: A Multimodal Dataset for Dairy Cattle Monitoring





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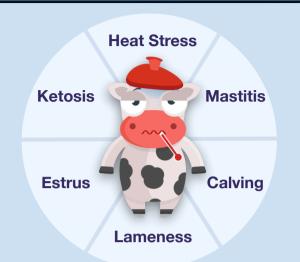
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MOTIVATION

Precision livestock farming enhances productivity, animal welfare, and environmental sustainability

Multimodal and synchronized datasets are necessary for more accurate and efficient machine learning models

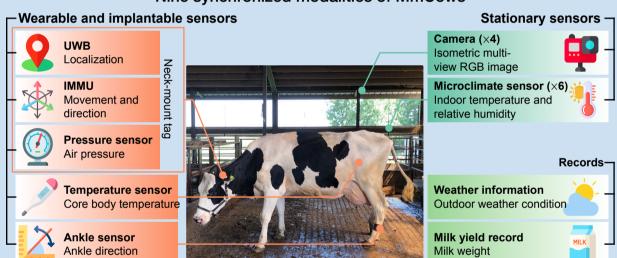
There is a lack of synchronized multimodal datasets for precision livestock farming



Common diseases & health issues

DATA COLLECTION

Nine synchronized modalities of MmCows



The sensor suite

1. Custom neck-mount tag:

- An ultra-wideband module (UWB) that keeps track of the location
- An inertia and magnetic measurement unit (IMMU) for measuring the head direction
- A pressure sensor that measures the elevation of the cow's neck

2. Ankle sensor:

 An accelerometer attached to the cow's leg to record its lying behavior

3. Vaginal temperature sensor:

• A temperature sensor to measure the core body temperature

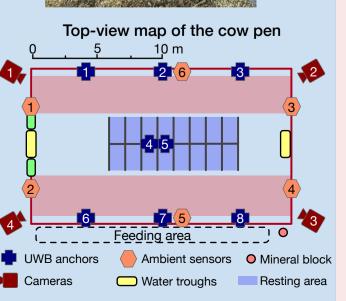
4. Other sensors:

• Isometric-view cameras, microclimate sensors, outdoor weathers, and records

The sensor suite were deployed during 14 days at UW-Madison's Arlington Agricultural Research Station

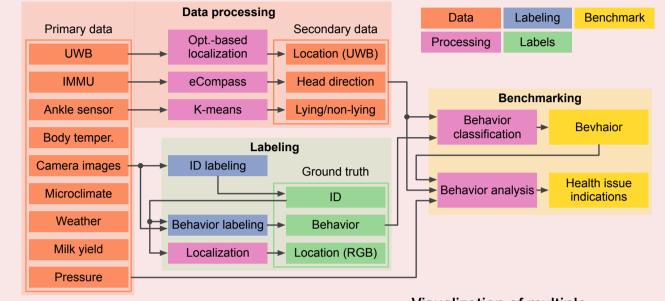
Custom wearable neck-mount tag





DATA PROCESSING

Data Processing Pipeline of MmCows



Data processing:

• Extracting meaningful data: 3D neck location, 3D head direction, and lying

Cow identification ground truth (gt):

- Annotated **20,000 images** from July 25th with 213,000 bounding boxes of 16 cows
- Utilized to derive 3D body location at

Behavior ground truth:

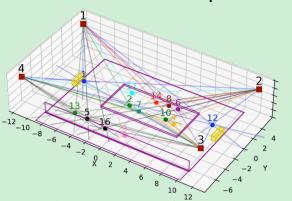
• Fine-grained interval of walking, standing, feeding head up, feeding head up/down, drinking, licking, and lying behaviors

Visualization of multiple modalities in 3D view of the pen Water trough CBT > 39.00 Camera --- CBT < 38.25 38.75-39.00 Cow standing

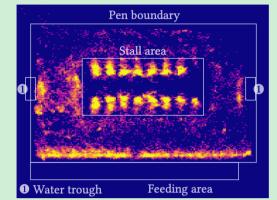
Cow ID annotations and UWB locations in multi-view images



Visual localization for multiple cows



Heat map of visual location ground truth



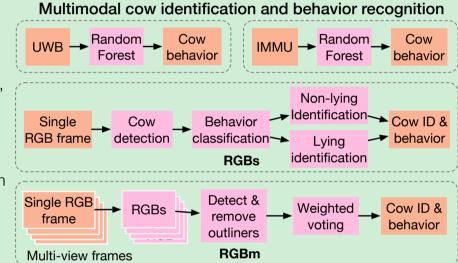
BENCHMARKS

Behavior monitoring using single modality and their combinations:

- Single modality: UWB, IMMU, RGBs
- Combinations: UWB+HD. UWB+HD+Akl, RGBm

Split settings:

• Temporal split (TS) & object-wise split (OS)



Performance comparison of behavior classification using different modalities

	Modality	Set- ting	F1 score ↑							
			Walking	Standing	Feeding [↑]	Feeding↓	Licking	Drinking	Lying	Average
	UWB	os	.078±.027	.855±.023	. 704 ±.077	.834±.049	.884 ±.054	.644±.112	.953 ±.017	.707±.051
		TS	$\textbf{.}103 \scriptstyle{\pm .040}$	$\pmb{.860} {\pm .041}$.738 ±.026	.835 \pm .029	$\textbf{.868} {\pm}.066$	$\textbf{.656} {\pm .059}$	$\textbf{.961} {\pm}.008$.717 ±.038
	IMMU	OS	$.000 {\pm} .000$	$.065 {\scriptstyle \pm .127}$	$\textbf{.067} {\pm .084}$	$\pmb{.098} \pm .135$	$\textbf{.000} {\pm}.000$	$\textbf{.000} {\pm}.000$	$.700 {\pm} .760$.133±.060
		TS	$.000 {\pm} .000$	$\textbf{.052} {\pm .053}$	$\textbf{.000} {\pm}.000$	$.051 \pm .048$	$\textbf{.000} {\pm}.000$	$\textbf{.000} {\pm}.000$	$.742 \pm .126$.141±.038
	RGBs	TS	.143 ±.036	$\textbf{.814} {\pm .048}$	$\textbf{.634} \scriptstyle{\pm .063}$	$\boldsymbol{.715} {\pm .051}$	$\pmb{.484} {\pm .193}$.409 ±.116	$\textbf{.681} {\pm .032}$.554±.077
_	UWB+HD	os	.032±.030	.908±.015	.731±.059	.843±.046	.812±.154	.645±.136	.980±.006	.707±.064
		TS	$\textbf{.074} {\pm .036}$	$\pmb{.917} {\scriptstyle \pm .022}$	$\boldsymbol{.766} {\pm .030}$	$\textbf{.853} {\pm .026}$	$\textbf{.863} {\pm}.057$	$\textbf{.699} {\pm .049}$	$\textbf{.986} {\pm .003}$	$.737 \pm .032$
_	UWB+HD+Akl	os	$\textbf{.048} {\pm .040}$	$\textbf{.937} {\pm .014}$	$\boldsymbol{.730} {\pm .057}$	$\textbf{.842} {\scriptstyle \pm .044}$	$\textbf{.800} {\pm}.183$	$\pmb{.643} \pm .132$	$\textbf{.996} {\pm .001}$.714 ±.067
		TS	$\textbf{.055} {\pm .026}$.938 ±.014	.768 ±.032	$\pmb{.854} {\pm .023}$	$\textbf{.863} {\pm}.060$	$\textbf{.684} \scriptstyle{\pm .041}$	$\textbf{.997} {\pm}.001$.737 ±.028
	RGBm	TS	.127 ±.053	.815±.030	$.741 \pm .044$	$.805 \scriptstyle{\pm .046}$.578±.172	.478 ±.154	$\textbf{.883} {\pm .027}$.632±.075

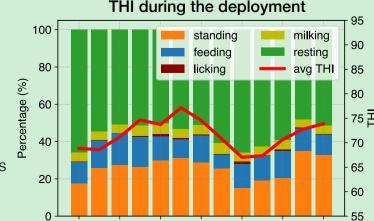
Single modality results:

- UWB performs the best as the location is useful
- UWB and RGBs outperform IMMU for most behaviors except walking

Combination results:

- The best model is UWB+HD+Akl
- RGBm performed better than RGBs

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Behaviors of cow #9 vs indoor THI during the deployment