OUTPUT CAPTURE MOBILITY VALIDATION

INTRO

Accurate assessment of mobility plays a crucial role in various fields, including healthcare and sports science. Traditional methods often rely on subjective measures, such as clinician observations, patient self-reports, or the use of goniometers, which can be prone to errors and inconsistencies. To address these limitations, there is a growing demand for objective and reliable methods of mobility assessment. The Output Capture app, used in conjunction with an Output sensor, is one such method and seeks to minimize subjectivity and allow for frequent and consistent measurements. The validity of Output Capture in measuring angular range of motion for mobility exercises was investigated against a number of known range of motion measurements as outlined in the methodology below.

METHODOLOGY

A 360 degrees digital angle finder with an accuracy of \pm 0.3 degrees was used as the ground truth for this validity investigation. One arm of the angle finder was fixed in place and the Output sensor was secured at the end of the free arm. The angle finder was zeroed prior to each measurement and then the free arm was moved to the approximate target angle. The angles from both the angle finder and Output Capture app were recorded. This was repeated for a total of 140 measurements, varying in angles from 10 to 180 degrees. The Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r), Adjusted R², Mean Absolute Error (MAE), and Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) were calculated on all 140 measurements.

RESULTS

The results can be seen in Table 1 below. All measurements were plotted in a correlation plot and can be seen in Figure 1.

r	0.9999
Adj. R ²	0.9998
MAE	0.5286°
RMSE	0.8194°

CONCLUSION

These results show a very strong agreement between Output Capture and the digital angle finder confirming the device's ability to provide accurate and objective measurements of mobility parameters. This addresses a key limitation of traditional methods, which often rely on subjective assessments.

While this investigation focused on general angular measurements, further studies could explore the device's performance during specific mobility exercises. Assuming

secure sensor placement, the accuracy observed in this study is likely to translate effectively to real-world applications of mobility testing.



Figure 1 - Correlation Plot Mobility Scores