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研究成果

This joint-collaboration project is a part of Japan Science and Technology (JST) project that aims to improve the quality of life (QOL) through the emerging technology such as food 3D printing and Artificial Intelligence (AI). We proposed a novel food technology that physically augmented target food by generating food texture on the different types of food using a food 3D printer. To allow the system to estimate the food textures to be printed, we utilized the knowledge on mouthfeel perception and human biological through jaw movement, and put it together using supervised learning method. Hence, we create food that users want to eat but do not have the opportunity to eat due to the allergies or other physical health conditions. For example, we produce the cookie that embed with beef-like food textures so that it could reproduce the beef experience. This annual report summarized a recent work in progress of this project, included (1) the dataset acquire process through user study, and (2) annotating taste indicators and converting word vectors.

1. Dataset Collection through User Experiment

In order to understand the relationship between food 3D printing parameters and food textures with mouthfeel (e.g., dry, hard, supple, smooth, sweet, bitter and sour), we have conducted the user experiment and create the end-to-end model that learns these relationship. To do so, the experiment is conducted by 3D printing cookie (as the focused food in this context) with different internal structure as 50% infills included; honeycomb, hilbert and rectilinear (Figure 1).

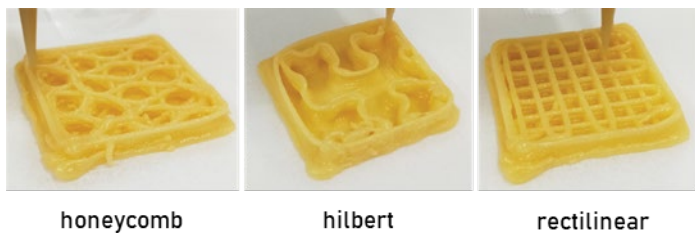


Figure 2 3D printed cookie with different internal structure.

We collected the jaw movement through EMG sensor and the mouthfeels through post-questionnaire. The experimental results from 72 participants are shown in Figure 2. The higher score shows the magnitude estimation more likely to the mouthfeel and vice versa. For example, the rectilinear

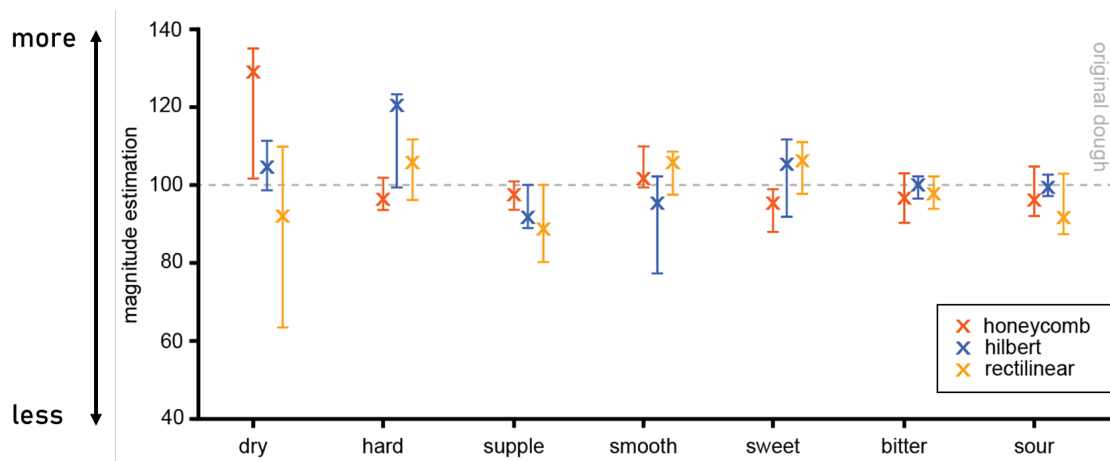


Figure 1 Magnitude estimation results on the relationship between food 3D printing parameters and mouthfeel.

cookie seems less dry compared to the honeycomb cookie when judge through the commercial available cookie as the reference. In addition, the sample (e.g., rectilinear) jaw chewing measurements results shows in Figure 3. The participants seems to consume the cookie with the similar patterns especially the amplitudes recorded in the jaw pattern.

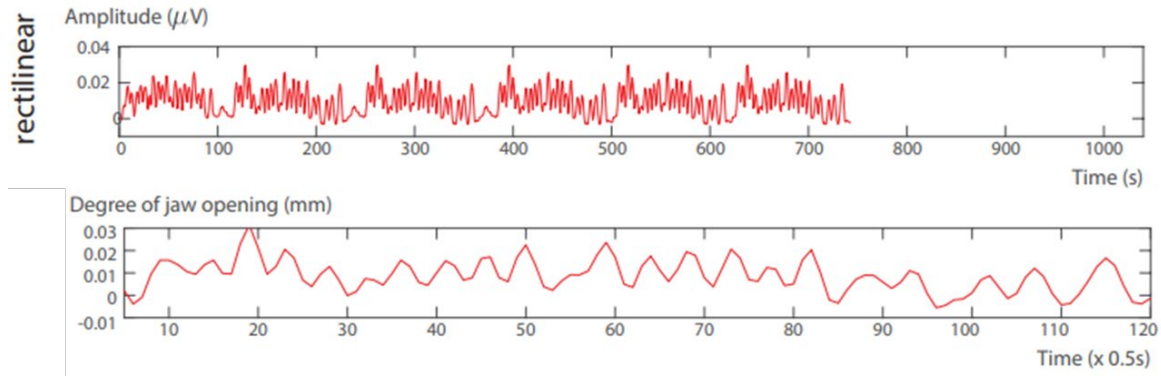


Figure 3 Sample recorded of jaw movement of participant when consuming the cookie with rectilinear internal structure.

2. Annotating Mouthfeel Indicators and Converting Word Vectors

We then create the training model that input the jaw movement and mouthfeel and predict the printing parameters and generate 3D printing internal structure based on the input food texture. As shown in Figure 4, the training model take the printing pattern to extract the mouthfeel, infill parameter, and infill density then wrap-up the g-code for 3D printing machine. We conduct the

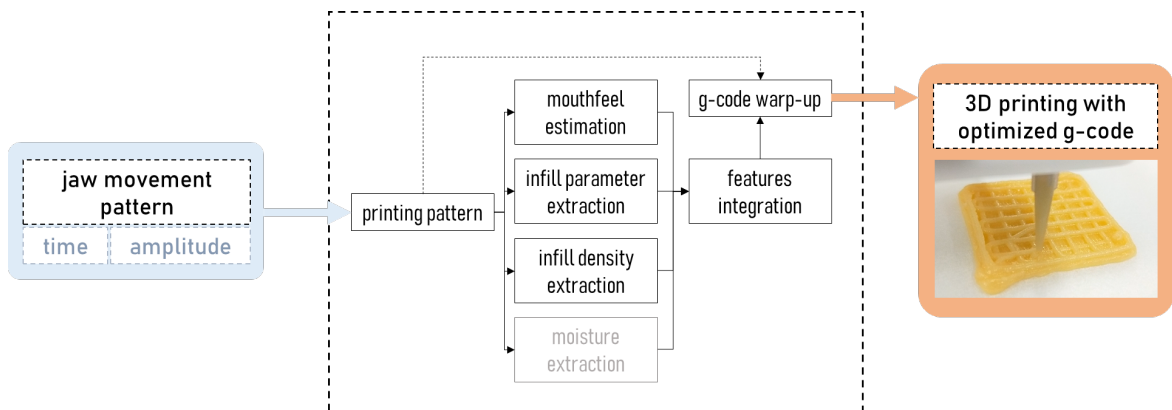


Figure 5 training model that take the jaw movement and mouthfeel as an input to generate 3D printing parameters.

short experiment to verify our training model through the back propagation (e.g., generated the 3D printing model from the network and conduct the user experiment to verify). Figure 4 shows the experimental results from 62 cases. The experimental results shows that the training model has closed to 90% prediction rate, which is high enough to predict the 3D printed output.

For the remained steps, we plan to build up the target perception model that allows end-to-end from the target food (e.g., commercial cookie) to the 3D printed output in the future work of this research. Also, to allow the end-to-end fabrication that allows the human-in-loop interaction, we will build up the food design platform that would allow the user to design the food they want from the input food parameters (e.g., mouthfeel, and type of cookie).

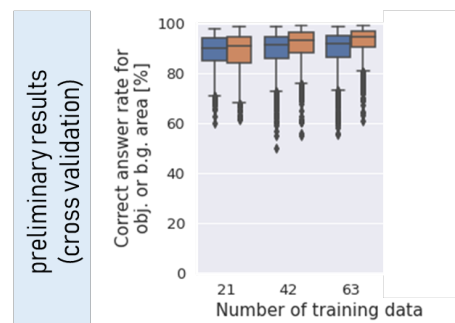


Figure 4 Validation results from the training model.

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