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WM-1: Modular Robots
Session Chairs: Shuqen Ma, Ritsumeikan University
Qiang Huang, Beijing Institute of Technology
Room 1, 8:30-10:10, Wednesday, 2 July 2008

Comparison of Gait Generation methods in Quadruped Walking
Osman Darici, Mehmet Kursat Yalcin and Hakan Temeltas
Robotics Lab., Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 3 types of quadruped gait techniques are analyzed and compared.
- Co-simulations made with MATLAB/Simulink and ADAMS.
- Straight going path tracking and stability of these gait types are demonstrated

Connection Methodology for Two Ubiquitous Robot Spaces - Connection of RT-Middleware and CAMUS
Hyun Min Do, Yong-Shik Kim, Bong Keun Kim, Tamio Tanikawa, Kohtaro Otba
AIST, JAPAN
- Connection of u-RT space of AIST and URS of ETRI.
- Development of connection scheme for RT-Middleware and CAMUS.
- The service provided by RT-Middleware side can be available to CAMUS side and vice versa
- Implementation of connection scheme in u-RT space

Goal Recognition and Configuration Recognition Algorithms for Modular Robots
Mehran Balaei
Mechatronics Division, K. N. Toosi University of Technology, Tehran, Iran
- An error is detected in a goal recognition algorithm using simulation
- The error has been corrected and the corrected algorithm has been simulated
- A configuration recognition algorithm is presented which has resolved the former algorithm’s problems
- The presented algorithm has been completed and tested by simulating different configurations

A pragmatic system to support interactive modular fixture configuration design in desktop virtual environment
Peng Gaoliang, Wang Gongdong, Chen Yanhai
School of Mechatronics Engineering, Harbin Institute of Technology
Harbin, China
- Information management module deals with the loading, storing and printing all data and drawing information and serves an open interface
- Virtual design module provides a natural design environment for convenient and fast operations of fixture configuration design.
- Virtual assembly module provides the means of intuitive 3D manipulation of virtual models, users can interactively perform fixture assembly operations.

Design and Realization of a Remote Control Centimeter-Scale Robotic Fish
Xiufen Ye, Yudong Su, Shuxiang Guo, Liquan Wang
Automation College, Harbin Engineering University
Harbin, Heilongjiang, China
- The robotic fish mimics a type of small crucian.
- IPMC actuator and two pieces of PVC film construct a caudal fin to mimic the swing of the small crucian in structure.
- The remote control function is realized at the base of an infrared sensor.
- The cruise-straight, cruise-in-turning, burst and coast swimming pattern can be realized on the robotic fish.
WM-2: Actuators I
Session Chairs: I-Ming Chen, Nanyang Technological University
Koichi Suzumori, Okayama University
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WM-2(1)  8:30-8:50
Optimum Design of Pneumatic Multi-chamber Rubber Tube Actuator Generating Traveling Deformation Waves for Colonoscope Insertion
Hisakazu Onoe, Koichi Suzumori and Shuichi Wakimoto
Department of Systems Engineering, Okayama University, Japan

- A pneumatic multi-chamber rubber tube actuator has been designed, fabricated, and tested.
- The evaluation and designs are made based on non-linear FEM analysis.
- An optimized actuator design generates the motion 15.5 times larger than that of the actuator reported in previous report.
- A functional model works very well to generate traveling waves.

WM-2(2)  8:50-9:10
Study of the Inertial Effect on Interaction between Flat Belt and Pulley
Da-yu Zheng, Qing-xin Meng, Li-quan Wang, and Han-lin Yang
Mecho-electrical Engineering College, Harbin Engineering University
Harbin, China

- the tangential and radial inertia leads to the calculations to have bigger slip angle.
- flexible belt with small stiffness makes the slip angle to be smaller and the friction to be bigger.
- analyze the non-linear characteristics in further study.
- this paper is suitable for the high speed belt drive and the belt.

WM-2(3)  9:10-9:30
An Active Micro Reactor System with Integrated Fluid Control Devices for Chemical Synthetic Process
Hironari TANIGUCHI, Koichi SUZUMORI, and Shintaro NAKATANI
Graduate School of National Science and Technology, Okayama University
Tsushima-naika, Okayama, Okayama, JAPAN

- This system consists of several kinds of fluid control devices such as micro pumps and micro mixers.
- It has the possibility for various chemical synthetic processes.
- Small enough for portability.
- The characteristics of the developed pumps and mixers were evaluated.

WM-2(4)  9:30-9:50
Piezoelectric Actuators for Screw-in Cartridge Valves
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3 Parker Hannifin Ltd, Sterling Hydraulics Division, Somerset, UK

- Introduction
- PZT actuator concept
- Simulation
- Experimental study
- Improvement in response
- Conclusions
WM-3: Diagnosis
Session Chairs: Ruxu Du, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Peter Tavner, Durham University
Room 3, 8:30-10:10, Wednesday, 2 July 2008

WM-3(1) 8:30-8:50
Sequential Diagnosis for Rolling Bearing Using Fuzzy Neural Network
Huaqing Wang and Peng Chen
Graduate School of Bioresources, Mie University, Mie-Ken, Japan
• The sequential diagnose algorithm for condition monitoring of a rolling bearing is proposed by using a fuzzy neural network.
• The partially-linearized neural network (PNN) is also proposed.
• The non-dimensional symptom parameters (NSP) which can reflect the features of a signal are described in the time domain.
• The PNN can precisely distinguish the fault types on the basis of the possibility distributions of NSPs.

WM-3(2) 8:50-9:10
Noise Reduction in Computed Order Tracking Based on FastICA
Yu Guo, Yilin Chi, and Huawen Zheng
Faculty of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, Kunming University of Science and Technology, Kunming, China
• ONLY Crossing noise removal scheme in COT.
• The ambiguities of ICA are solved with the proposed approach.
• ICA separation is performed in the angular domain.

WM-3(3) 9:10-9:30
Multifractal spectrum Theory Used to Medical Image from CT Testing
Dawei Qi and Lei Yu
College of Science, Northeast Forestry University, Harbin, China
• If the multifractal spectrum of some points is 1, that is \( f=1 \), the points are on the contour line;
• If \( f<1 \), edge points can be filtered; If \( f>1.5 \), irregular contour line can be gained; If spectrum approaches to 2, information in smoothing domain and in coarse domain can be be generated.

WM-3(4) 9:30-9:50
Wind Turbine Condition Monitoring and Fault Diagnosis using both Mechanical and Electrical Signatures
Weihao Yang, Peter J. Tavner, and M. Wilkinson
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• Wind turbine drive train mechanical and generator electrical faults are detected by torque and power signal analyses.
• A new simple, cheap but effective wind turbine condition monitoring technique is heralded.

WM-3(5) 9:50-10:10
The Application and Research of the Intelligent Fault Diagnosis for Marine Diesel Engine
Li Peng, Liu Lei
Automation College, Harbin Engineering University, Harbin, China
• The marine diesel engine is a complex system.
• A novel approach of optimizing and training fuzzy neural network based on the ant colony algorithm is proposed for the intelligent fault diagnosis of this kind of diesel engine.
• The structure and the parameter of fuzzy neural network for fault diagnosis system are introduced.
• The comparison of simulation results shows good performance and validity of the proposed method.
**WM-4: Manipulators**

**Session Chairs:** Wei Wang, Beihang University
Kazuhiro Kosuge, Tohoku University

**Room 4, 8:30-10:10, Wednesday, 2 July 2008**

**WM-4(1) 8:30–8:50**

**A Semi-Analytic Model for Large Deflection Beam-Based Flexure Joints**

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- Beam-based flexure joint has been a popular choice to achieve millimeters of travel with nanometric resolutions.
- Unfortunately, it exhibits a non-linear deflection due to the shifting of pivot point and beam elongation.
- A semi-analytic model is presented as a simple, quick and complete solution for approximating the large deflection of a beam-based flexure coupled with a rigid-link of any length.

**WM-4(2) 8:50–9:10**

**Analysis of the Kinematics of Module Climbing Caterpillar Robots**

Wang Wei, Houxiang Zhang, Yingying Wang, Kun Wang and Jianwei Zhang

Robotics Institute, Beihang University
TIMA, Information Department, University of Hamburg
Beijing, China

- Two climbing caterpillar robot model are presented in paper.
- The mechanism model and valuable gaits of the two robots are analyzed in detailed.
- Experiments are discussed to explain why the inchworm robot can walk on the wall easily.
- A idea based on passive joints are proposed to overcome the redundant driving problem existed in caterpillar robot.

**WM-4(3) 9:10–9:30**

**Observation of Link Deformations of a Robotic Manipulator with Fiber Bragg Grating Sensors**

Rene Franke, Frank Hoffmann, Torsten Bertram

Chair for Control Systems Engineering,
Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, TU Dortmund
Dortmund, Germany

- Measure the elastic deformations of robot links in order to improve its pose accuracy.
- Model of the fiber Bragg sensors that locally measure strain.
- Systematic analysis and optimization of the signal processing and sensor configuration.
- Experimental validation on an industrial robot.

**WM-4(4) 9:30–9:50**

**Adaptive Force/Position Control of Robot Manipulators**

Vladimir Filaretov, Alexandr Zuev

Robotics Laboratory, Institute for Automation and Control Processes
Vladivostok, Russia

- A new synthesis method of adaptive force/position control systems of robot manipulators is proposed. The control systems synthesized on the basis of this method, without using force/moment sensors and other additional devices provide simultaneous accurate control of both the position of robot’s end-effector and the force exerted by end-effector on some object (or environment).
- The results of simulation confirm efficiency of the proposed method.

**WM-4(5) 9:50–10:10**

**Application of Nonlinear PD Learning Control to a Closed Loop Manipulator**

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²Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada

- Control method: Feedback vs. feedforward (learning control).
- Stability of control system: Lyapunov function.
- Experiments: Verification of NPD learning control.
- Comparisons: Effectiveness of the algorithm.
WM-5: Mobile Robots I

Session Chairs: Wen J. Li, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Jason Gu, Dalhousie University

Room 5, 8:30-10:10, Wednesday, 2 July 2008

**WM-5(1) 8:30-8:50**

Towards an Electric-Powered Air-Gliding Skateboard

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- A novel air-gliding skateboard, called the Hoverboard, which works based on a new hovering principle.
- Demonstrated the possibility of having an all-electric powered air-gliding board transporting an adult of ~60Kg.
- Integrated MEMS sensors on the Hoverboard to detect aerodynamic fluttering during operation.

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**WM-5(2) 8:50-9:10**

A Study on Development of Home Mess-Cleanup Robot McBot

Youngkak Ma, Seungwoo Kim, Dongik Oh and Youngwan Cho*
Soonchunhyang University, Seokyeong University*
Asan, Chungnam, Korea

- Mess-Cleanup robot can clean-up and arrange object which other cleaning robot can't do.
- McBot has agile navigation and novel manipulation system for Clean-up and arrange object.
- RFID system is used for self-localization and object recognition.
- Good performance was confirmed through the result of experiments.

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**WM-5(3) 9:10-9:30**

Mobility Performance Analysis of Lunar Rover Based on Terramechanics

Peng Zhang, Zongquan Deng, Ming Hu, Haibo Gao
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Harbin, China

- Analysis of wheel-soil interaction
- Relationships between configuration parameters and performance parameters
- Performance analysis and metrics
- Performance comparison
- Conclusions

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**WM-5(4) 9:30-9:50**

Track-Terrain Interaction Analysis for Tracked Mobile Robot

Weidong Wang, Lei Zhou, Zhijiang Du, Lining Sun
Robotics Institute, Harbin Institute of Technology
Harbin, China

- A tracked robot is introduced from machinery, hardware system to software system.
- The features of mechanical system are modular design, suspension system and radiation protection and waterproof and onboard manipulator
- With the analysis of the track-terrain interaction, a simplified track-ground model is developed.

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**WM-5(5) 9:50-10:10**

Embedded Vehicle Control System Based on Voice Processing Technologies

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- One microcontroller car which processes speech-LINGYANG SPCI091A microchip forms the Speech Recognition System.
- The Speech Recognition system not only has high recognizable veracity, small volume, economy-power consumption, lower cost, high operation speed and real-time speech recognition.
- The function of speech cue offers a favourable interface for human-computer interaction in the system.
**WA-1: Machine Vision I**

Session Chairs: Hong Zhang, University of Alberta
Dongbing Gu, University of Essex

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**WA-1(1) 10:30-10:50**

**A Virtual Simulation System of TDI Line Scan Camera**

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The paper established a TDI line scan camera virtual simulation system which consists of three parts:

- Optical pipeline model,
- TDI CCD model
- Camera electronics model.

The virtual simulation system can realize the recovery of a scene image just as a real camera does. It is useful to design and evaluate electronics of the camera and to study the image improvement methods.

**WA-1(2) 10:50-11:10**

**Selection for Visualization: Voronoi Tessellation of Large Scale and Sparsely Distributed Data**

Zhengxu Zhao and Jinsheng Fan

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School of Computing and Informatics, Shijiazhuang Tiedao Institute, Sijiazhuang, China

- Instantaneously visualize data selected among a large scale and sparsely distributed database in low complexity of computation.
- Use Voronoi tessellation in data processing.
- Is implemented in large scale and complex virtual environments.
- Is tested with applications in satellite tracking and controls.

**WA-1(3) 11:10-11:30**

**Edge Linking Using Geodesic Distance and Neighborhood Information**

Zhijie Wang, Hong Zhang

Computer Science, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada

- Problem: Edge Linking.
- Contributions:
  - Use neighborhood information.
  - Use geodesic distance.
- Likelihood function:

\[ H(P_i, P_j) = D_i(P_i, P_j)^{-1} \]

**WA-1(4) 11:30-11:50**

**Structural Parameters Optimal Design and Accuracy Analysis for Binocular Vision Measure System**

Qiong Liu, Xiansheng Qin, Shenshun Yin, and Feng He

Department of Mechatronics, Northwestern Polytechnical University
Xi’an, China

- In order to improve the measurement precision for visual measure system, research on the influence of stereovision structure is presented based on binocular vision.
- A structure model of binocular visual measure system.
- Multi-factors error distribution features of affecting measure accuracy in visual measure system

**WA-1(5) 11:50-12:10**

**Method of Vehicle Classification Based on Video**

Zhong Qin

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- Image moment invariant.
- BP Neural Network Model of Vehicle Classification.

According to the vehicles classification number, 3 neurons are set. So the output vector is \( \phi = (a, \phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) \), the expectation output of network is \( (0.585, 0.541, 0.61) \). \( \phi_1 \) corresponds to the small vehicle, the standard size car and the large-scale vehicle separately.
WA-2: Human-Machine Interaction I
Session Chairs: Shigeki Sugano, Waseda University
Lishen Xu, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Room 2, 10:30-12:10, Wednesday, 2 July 2008

**WA-2(1) 10:30-10:50**

**Telerobotic System for Cell Manipulation**
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- Flexible telecontrollable manipulator with original kinematic structure and resolution of 0.25 um was designed.
- Implementation of original force estimation algorithm based on visual information has been developed to provide force feedback to the operator.
- Applying wavelet filtering algorithms to filter oscillations of operator’s hand makes the motion of manipulator smooth and accurate.

**WA-2(2) 10:50-11:10**

**Development of an Operation Skill-Training Simulator for Double-Front Construction Machinery**
Mitsuhiro Kamezaki, Hiroyasu Iwata and Shigeki Sugano
Department of Modern Mechanical Engineering, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan

- We newly developed the simulator for operation skill training in Double Front Construction Machinery.
- This simulator allows novices to virtually experience tough operations repeatedly under a variety of conditions.
- Evaluation experiments indicated repeated trainings using the simulator successfully decrease operation time to complete a task and enhance positioning accuracy.
- We confirmed the effectiveness of the developed simulator.

**WA-2(3) 11:10-11:30**

**Influence of Animal Body on Ingested Wireless Device before and after Death**
Lisheng Xu, Max Q.-H. Meng, Yawen Chan, Chao Hu and Haibin Wang
School of Control Science and Engineering, Shandong University, Jinan, China

- Three monopole antennas were designed and put in two positions of the intestine of an adult female pig.
- The results demonstrate that the frequencies drift greatly from 2.78, 2.17, 4.29 GHz at the free space into 1.42, 1.0, 2.2 GHz when the antennas are put in the top position of the intestine of the anesthetized pig and the frequency will increase to 1.62, 1.15, 2.85 GHz after the pig’s euthanasia.
- The frequencies increase from 1.5, 1.03, 2.3 GHz to 1.67, 1.13, 2.8 GHz when the antennas are put in the bottom position of the intestine of the pig after its euthanasia within one hour. The dead body of the pig absorbed less radiation energy than the living body.

**WA-2(4) 11:30-11:50**

**Haptic human-machine interaction by active, holonomic moving devices**
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- Holonomic moving devices
- Human-machine interaction
- Cooperative haptic working over wide area networks
- Haptic education
- Medical applications
- Hardware prototype
- Experiments
- Evaluation
- Video clips

**WA-2(5) 11:50-12:10**

**A generic architecture for emotion and personality**
Dominique Duhaut
Valoaria Université de Bretagne Sud France

We propose a generic computational model to include emotion and personality in the behaviour of a robot. This model is based on classical hybrid architecture for robot computation and merged with psychological works on emotion and personality.
Contact Points Detection for Tracked Mobile Robots Using Inclination of Track Chains
Daisuke Inoue, Masashi Konyo, Kazunori Ohno and Satoshi Tadokoro
Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan

- The authors developed a distributed touch sensor for the tracked vehicle.
- The sensor detects contact points between the crawler track and the steps by measuring inclination of the track chains optically.
- A special reflector was designed and evaluated for the optical sensing of the inclination.
- The sensing performance for detecting contact points during the step climbing motion was examined.

Subject Independent Agitation Detection
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4Computer Science and Engineering Dept., Oakland University, Rochester, MI, USA

- Three vital signs are monitored for agitation detection: Heart Rate, Galvanic Skin Response and Skin Temperature
- These measures are fed into an SVM based learning machine
- Accurate detection of agitation and subject independent learning
Development of a Low-cost Flexible Modular Robot GZ-I

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2 Universidad Autonoma de Madrid, Madrid, Spain; 3 Siat, Shenzhen, China

- Low-cost mechanical design with only six parts in aluminum;
- Simple robust modules assembling manually and quick-to-build, easy-to-handle design;
- Four faces for interconnecting modules to implement 2 DOFs;
- Onboard controller and sensors completing the system and making sensor-servo-based active perception of the environment possible.

New Visco-Elastic Mechanism Design for the Flexible Joint Manipulator

Taisuke Sugaiwa, HIroyasu Iwata, Shigeki Sugano
Waseda University
Tokyo, Japan

- Space-efficient visco-elastic mechanism using torsion bar and rotary disk damper;
- GUMMETAL torsion bar which has enormous elastic deformation make flexible joint more small-sized and lightweight;
- Shear elastic modulus of GUMMETAL has linearity and small hysteresis loop, and so proposed mechanism has large advantage for the robot servo control.

Dynamic Analysis of Compliant Mechanisms Using the Finite Element Method

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Beijing, China

- Using the finite element method, the model for dynamic analysis of compliant mechanisms is developed.
- A systematic analysis for performing dynamic characteristics of compliant mechanisms is presented including natural frequencies and modes, elastic motion response, strain response, and sensitivity.

Deadlock Prevention Policy based on Elementary Siphons for Flexible Manufacturing systems

Mingming Yan, Hesuan Hu, and Zhiwu Li
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- Propose a deadlock prevention policy for a special class of Petri nets, $\mathcal{S}^3PR$.
- Apply the deadlock avoidance policy (DAP) of Conjunctive/Disjunctive Resources Upstream Neighborhood (CD RUN) to the deadlock prevention policy (DPP).
- Allocate the sequential resource reasonably to guarantee the absence of deadlock states and processes.

Postural Stability Evaluation of Spatial Wheeled Mobile Robots with Flexible Suspension over Rough Terrains

Khalil Alipour, S. Ali A. Moosavian, Yousef Bahramzadeh
Department of Mechanical Engineering, K. N. Toosi Univ. of Technology, Iran

- Dynamics of a 16 DOF spatial wheeled mobile robot is derived;
- A new reliable and efficient metric named as Moment-Height Stability (MHS) measure is introduced;
- The MHS measure is utilized for postural stability evaluation of a 3D SWMR during motion along straight and curved paths over rough trains.
WA-5: Mobile Robots II
Session Chairs: Tianmiao Wang, Beihang University
Zhenwei Wu, SIA, Chinese Academy of Sciences
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WA-5(1) 10:30–10:50
Mobile Robot Path Planning in Three-Dimensional Environment Based on ACO-PSO Hybrid Algorithm
Chunxue Shi, Yingyong Bu and Jianghui Liu
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• Introduction.
• Environment Modeling.
• Planning Algorithm.
• Simulation Experiments.

WA-5(2) 10:50–11:10
Navigation Using One Laser Source for Mobile Robot with Optical Sensor Array Installed in Pan and Tilt Mechanism
Keigo Hara, Masahiro Inoue, Shoichi Maeyama, and Aiko Gojuku
Department of Intelligent Mechanical Systems, Okayama University
Okayama, Japan

• The laser robot scans the navigation path on the moving area.
• The mobile robot obtains the irradiated laser spots by the optical sensor array.
• The optical sensor array we developed is composed of the phototransistors arranged in a matrix.
• We added a pan and tilt mechanism to the optical sensor array and expanded the operating range.

WA-5(3) 11:10–11:30
Dynamic Path Planning for Mobile Robots Using Chaotic Prediction
Qian Jia, Xingsong Wang
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• This proposed algorithm improves distance-propagating system.
• It can solve the problem of path selection at critical position by using chaotic control.
• Short-term prediction is added and the speeds of robot and target are considered.

WA-5(4) 11:30–11:50
Structural Design and Simulation of Crossing Obstacle of a Robot with Wheel-legs
Diansheng Chen Yu Huang
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Beijing, P.R.China

• The design of wheel-legs system of the robot
• Analysis of crossing obstacle and simulation of a robot with wheel-legs
• Analysis and simulation of the drive motor’s performance
• Physical prototype and test results

WA-5(5) 11:50–12:10
Kinematical Model-Based Yaw Calculation for an All-Terrain Mobile Robot
Xiaokang Song, Yuechao Wang and Zhenwei Wu
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• A kinematical model-based method for yaw calculation of an all-terrain mobile robot is proposed.
• The kinematics model of the robot is built considering wheel slips and the physical contact relationship between the wheel and the terrain.
• The yaw information is obtained based on solving the robot’s kinematics model and the dead-reckoning operation.
WP-1: Machine Vision II

Session Chairs: Yasuharu Kunii, Chuo University
Kejie Li, Beijing Institute of Technology

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WP-1(1) 14:00-14:20

Novel Application of a Laser Range Finder with Vision System for Wheeled Mobile Robot
Ya-Chun Chang, Hidemasa Kuwabara, Yoshio Yamamoto
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- The Potential Field method is utilized to create force fields around obstacles and a goal.
- Look-ahead control is adopted to steer the mobile robot in which a reference point located in front of the robot is dynamically changed.
- The scanning laser is reflected by a small reflection mirror which is placed in front of the mobile robot, so that the reflected ray scans the nearby ground surface.

WP-1(3) 14:40-15:00

Visual Servoing Based on Fuzzy Adaptive PID with Modified Smith Predictor for Micromanipulation
Xiangjin Zeng, Xinhan Huang and Min Wang
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Wuhan, China

- A control scheme based on fuzzy adaptive PID with a modified smith predictor for the control of micromanipulation.
- For the vision delay, a timing modelling of visual servoing system is built.
- The new-added controller M improves the system performance of disturbance rejection.

WP-1(5) 15:20-15:40

Shadow casting Stereo Imaging for High Accurate and Robust Stereo Processing of Natural Environment
Yasuharu Kunii and Takahiro Ushioda
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- Shadow is projected on a target, and the projection is useful for the compensation of uncertainty caused by the matching problem.
- The result of our experiment clearly shows that the disadvantages of stereo method were improved without expanding its system scale, and an accurate and robust measurement was achieved. The robustness for natural objects and the improvement of the calculation speed were obtained.
WP-2: Design & Prototyping
Session Chairs: Jing-Sin Liu, IIS, Academia Sinica
Lixin Dong, ETHZ
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WP-2(1) 14:00-14:20
Test of Base Vibration Influence on Dynamics of A Magnetic Suspended Disk
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- A novel and concise magnetic suspended disk test device as a simplified FWB model is fabricated
- A vibrating-base magnetic suspend disk test system is sets up.
- A series of sine and random vibration signal with different frequencies are applied to the base and the dynamic response of the suspended disk are measured through several accelerometers mounted on the disk.
- The disk dynamic response are analyzed for controller improvement.

WP-2(2) 14:20-14:40
Pressure and Speed Control of Electro-hydraulic Drive for Shield Tunnelling Machine
Hu Shi, Guofang Gong and Huayong Yang
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- This paper presents an electro-hydraulic control system for shield thrust drive.
- The control model of thrust system is developed.
- A pressure and flow compound control approach is applied using the pressure and flow rate feedback to design an outer loop controller and an inner loop controller.
- Simulation and field application results are presented to verify the effectiveness and rationality of the proposed drive system and its control.

WP-2(3) 14:40-15:00
A 1-D Lump Theoretical Model for CMUT
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- A transfer function between output sound pressure and input AC voltage has been deduced.
- This model makes it easier to optimize the parameters of a CMUT with respect to output sound pressure and bandwidth and to understand the influence of each parameter.
- The dynamical behavior of CMUT can be studied by this model.

WP-2(4) 15:00-15:20
On Tolerance Problem of Contacting Polyhedral Objects
Wen-Hua Pan, Jing-Sin Liu
Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, R.O.C

- Consider scaled convex and non-convex polyhedra moving and contacting problem.
- Define the conditions of relation motion(type, direction, amount) that the contact maintenance/transition between the scaling pairs.
- Families of decision curves can be solved the tolerance problems of manufacture.

WP-2(5) 15:20-15:40
Design, Analysis and Experiment of the Feed Cable-Suspended Structure
Baoyan Duan, Yuanying Qiu, Fushun Zhang, and Bin Zi
Xidian University
WP-3: Teleoperation

Session Chairs: Ning Xi, MSU
Simon X. Yang, University of Guelph

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WP-3(1) 14:00-14:20
Stable Bilateral Teleoperation using the Energy-Bounding Algorithm: Basic Idea and Feasibility Tests
Changhoon Seo1, Jaeha Kim1, Jong-Phil Kim1, Joo Hong Yoon2 and Jeha Ryu1
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• This paper presents basic idea and feasibility test results of the energy-bounding algorithm (EBA) for bilateral teleoperation.
• Various test results for free, contact, and abrupt motions show that the EBA can ensure stable bilateral teleoperation for the large constant/variable time delays (2.5 sec for free motion and 300 msec for contact motion).
• In addition, the EBA with holding previous data strategy can achieve stable teleoperation when some packet drop is occurred during the data transmission.

WP-3(2) 14:20-14:40
General Scheme of Teleoperation for Space Robot
Xueqian Wang, Wenfu Xu, Bin Liang and Cheng Li
Harbin Institute of Technology Shenzhen Graduate School
Shenzhen, China

• three level tele-programming modes are provided
• graphic predictive display can solve the problem of time delay
• bilateral control can improve the performance of operation
• dynamic emulation and kinematic equivalence is used

WP-3(3) 14:40-15:00
Stable Mobile Robots Teleoperation via Potential Field Method
Adha I. Cahyadi, Chang Ya-Chun, Yoshio Yamamoto
Department of Precision Engineering, Tokai University
Kanagawa, Japan

• The paper presents a remotely teleoperated mobile robot using haptic device.
• The teleoperation system is based on the Potential Field method especially for detecting the obstacle.
• Under some assumptions the teleoperation is guaranteed to be stable.
• Simulation studies are shown to verify the effectiveness of the method.

WP-3(4) 15:00-15:20
Switching of Control Signals in Teleoperation Systems: Formalization and Application
Ildar Farkhatdinov and Jee-Hwan Ryu
BioRobotics Laboratory, Korea University of Technology and Education
Cheonan, Korea

• Multiple teleoperation systems when one human-operator controls several objects or properties were described.
• Strategy for control signal distribution in multiple teleoperation systems was proposed. Special switching controller and resetting algorithm were designed.
• Examples of switching teleoperation of mobile manipulator and combined speed and position control of mobile robot were given.
• Simulation and experimental study were performed.

WP-3(5) 15:20-15:40
Event-based Predictive Control Strategy for Teleoperation via Internet
Dan Chen, Ning Xu, Yuanchao Wang, Hongyi Li, Xusheng Tang
Robotics Laboratory of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Shenyang Institute of Automation

• we present a event–based predictive strategy for teleoperating via communication channel with unknown and variable time delay
• a discrete-time device called path governor (PG) generates on line a suitable time-parameterization of the path to be tracked, by solving at fixed interval a look-ahead optimization problem
• GPC control strategy is applied at the slave site.

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WP-4: Dual Arm/Cooperative
Session Chairs: Shugen Ma, Ritsumeikan Univeristy
Jindong Tan, Michigan Technological University
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WP-4(1) 14:00-14:20

**Posture Analysis of a Dual-crawler-driven Robot**
Shugen Ma, Qiquan Quan
Department of Robotics, Ritsumeikan University, Kusatsu, Japan
Rongqiang Liu
School of Mechatronics Engineering, Harbin Institute of Technology, Harbin, China

- For one crawler, one motor generates two locomotion modes.
- According to terrain, two locomotion modes are switched autonomously.
- Dual-crawler-driven robot can not only switch its locomotion modes, but also generate many postures through controlling cooperatively two actuators.

WP-4(2) 14:20-14:40

**A Web Based Collaborative Portal for Remote Monitoring and Analysis of Livestock Farm Odor**
Rui Liu, Leilei Pan, Simon X. Yang and Max Q.-H. Meng
Advanced Robotics & Intelligent Systems Lab, Univ. of Guelph, Canada

- Remote monitoring and analysis of livestock farm environment require cooperation and collaboration of multiple partners.
- A dynamic and cooperative framework is developed based on a web-based portal application.
- It provides an efficient, robust, and user-friendly environment for distributed users to manage and process data records, share analysis results, and collaborate on distributed tasks.

WP-4(3) 14:40-15:00

**Mechanical Design and Impedance Compensation of SUBAR**
Kyoungchul Kong and Masayoshi Tomizuka
Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, USA
Hyosang Moon, Beomsoo Hwang and Doyoung Jeon
Department of Mechanical Engineering, Sogang University, Korea

- SUBAR is a wearable robot developed for assisting physically impaired people.
- The mechanical design of SUBAR including the flexible transmission and its associated control algorithm are presented.
- For the ideal force mode actuation, a flexible transmission is applied and controlled to reject friction.
- Since the actuation system of the SUBAR has a large model variation, a control algorithm for the flexible transmission is designed based on robust control theory.

WP-4(4) 15:00-15:20

**A sampling-based path planner for dual-arm manipulation**
M. Gharbi, J. Cortés, T. Siméon
LAAS-CNRS, Université de Toulouse, Toulouse, France

- Compute collision-free coordinated manipulation paths for multi-arm robot systems.
- Find solution paths requiring the robot reconfiguration through an explicit treatment of singular configurations.
- Approach demonstrated on a complex dual-arm manipulator with 17 DoF.

WP-4(5) 15:20-15:40

**Deployment of Multi-robot Systems under the Nonholonomic Constraint**
Yu Zhou* and Jindong Tan**
*Department of Mechanical Engineering, State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA
**Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Michigan Technological University, USA

- A distributed multi-robot deployment algorithm
- Derived from the Hamilton’s principle
- Incorporating the nonholonomic constraint arising in wheeled robots.
- Adopting the Rayleigh’s dissipation function to maintain the deployment stability of each robot.
WP-5: Mobile Robots III

Session Chairs: Fumiaki Takemori, Tottori University
Jean-Francois Allan, Hydro-Quebec's Research Institute

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WP-5(1) 14:00–14:20

**Mobility of Legged Robot by Non-Contact Impedance Control**

Fumiaki Takemori, Naoki Tomita, Daisuke Kushida and Akira Kitamura
Dept. of Information and Electronics, Graduate School of Eng., Tottori University, Japan

- A legged mobile robot carrying the human is developed.
- This robot has three legs. Each leg consists of three linear actuators.
- As a method for avoiding the obstacles, the virtual impedance control method is proposed.
- The mobility for avoiding unknown height step and soft-landing motion is confirmed through some experiments.

Human carrying robot

WP-5(2) 14:20–14:40

**MHS Measure for Postural Stability Monitoring and Control of Biped Robots**

Amir Takhmar, Mansoor Alighooneh, Khall Alipour, and S. Ali. A. Moosavian
Department of Mechanical Engineering, K. N. Toosi Univ. of Technology, Iran

- The Moment-Height stability (MHS) measure which has been previously proposed for wheeled mobile robots is developed for biped robot control.
- The results of application of the MHS are compared with those of the ZMP;
- The MHS metric is able not only to monitor the state of postural stability of a biped robot during the entire gait cycle, but also it does reliably indicate the severity of instability of the gait.

Comparison between MHS measure and ZMP during standing

WP-5(3) 14:40–15:00

**Development of a Mobile Robotic Platform for the Underground Distribution Lines**

Jean-François Allan, Ghislain Lambert, Samuel Lavioie and Stéphane Reihier
Hydro-Québec's Research Institute
Varennes, Québec, Canada

- Presentation of the first mobile robotic platform dedicated to the underground distribution network.
- Design of a 5-DOF hydraulic arm mounted on an articulated vehicle.
- Specific tools made to perform tasks on an underground switch.
- Analysis and design of a 6-DOF electric manipulator with integrated electronics.
- Prototype built to perform tasks on automatic mode (no teleoperation)

WP-5(4) 15:00–15:20

**Environment Recognition System based on Multiple Classification Analyses for Mobile Robots**

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- Wheel type mobile robot have difficulty in rough terrain movement.
- We propose the switching controller system according to various environment.
- The system consist of environment recognition system using Self-organizing Map (SOM) and PCA

WP-5(5) 15:20–15:40

**Design and Experiments on a New Wheel-Based Cable Climbing Robot**

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This paper proposes an ameliorated wheel-based cable inspection robot is composed of two equally spaced modules, which are joined by connecting bars to form a closed hexagonal body to clasp on the cable. For safe landing, a gas damper and a new electric circuit is introduced. Several Climbing experiments show the robot can climb along a cable with diameters varying from 65mm to 205mm.

Cable Climbing Robot
WE-1: Electromagnetic Devices I

Session Chairs: I-Ming Chen, Nanyang Technological University
Wei Wang, Xidian University

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WE-1(1) 16:00-16:20

Follow-up Control of Pneumatic Cylinders by Passive Dynamic Control
Yasuhiro Minamiyama, Takahiro Kiyota, Takumi Sasaki and Noboru Sugimoto
Graduate School of Environmental Engineering, The University of Kitakyushu
Fukuoka, Japan

- The passive dynamic control ("PDC") is a new mechanical system control method based on inherently safe design.
- The PDC pneumatic cylinder was made in order to apply PDC in pneumatic system.
- Two types of follow-up controls were described: one is trajectory follow-up control to follow up a circular trajectory, and the other is time follow-up control to follow up a sine curve.

WE-1(2) 16:20-16:40

Precise Speed Control of Brushless DC Motors Based on Optimal Control
Hao Wu, Xinya Sun, and Yindong Ji
Department of Automation, Tsinghua University
Beijing, China

- This paper proposes a new technique to take precise speed control of Brushless DC Motors with trapezoidal-shaped back-EMF.
- Starting from the motor model, the method firstly removes the speed disturbance to linearize the state equation, then applies optimal control on stator current to eliminate the torque ripple and speed fluctuation.
- Simulation results have shown the effectiveness and superiority over Kalman filter algorithm in a wide speed range.

WE-1(3) 16:40-17:00

On Coupled Structural-Electromagnetic Modeling and Analysis of Rectangle Active Phased Array Antennas
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- The analysis of EM performances of active phased array antennas with distorted plane errors is important to the engineering development of high-performance antennas.
- An coupled model is developed, which describes the effect on the performances of the errors caused by the bent and bowl distortion. The application of the model to a plane array antenna demonstrates the degradation of the sidelobe level and gain of the antenna with different distortion grades.
- The satisfactory analysis results provide a theoretical guidance for the engineer to determine the structural tolerance.

WE-1(4) 17:00-17:20

Dynamic Characteristics Study of Single-Sided Linear Induction Motor Using FEM
Junfei Han, Yaohua Li, Yumei Du and Nengqiang Jin
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- The linear interpolation movement interface method to solve the transient electromagnetic field-circuit-torque coupling problem was proposed.
- Compute 2D transient electromagnetic field of SLIM with high speed by FEM.
- The electromagnetic force trend of changes with frequency and velocity and analysis of the eddy current in reaction plate was presented.
- Longitudinal end effect deteriorates the performance of SLIM.

WE-1(5) 17:20-17:40

Torque Modeling of a Permanent Magnet Spherical Actuator based on Magnetic Dipole Moment Principle
Chee Kian Lim, I-Ming Chen, Liang Yan, Guolin Yang, Wei Lin, Kok-Meng Lee
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- In this paper, a new approach in torque formulation of PM spherical actuator employing the magnetic dipole moment principle is being discussed.
- Derivation from first principle and the extension of this novel method in the acquisition of the resultant torque induced on the rotor is presented.
- The proposed approach circumvents the need for electromagnetic energy analysis within the air-gap between the rotor and stator poles and henceforth providing a direct computation of the resultant torque.
WE-2: Actuators II

Session Chairs: Yuen Kuan Yong, University of Newcastle
Yvan Michellod, EPFL-LA

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WE-2(1) 16:00-16:20
Design, Analysis and Control of a Fast Nanopositioning Stage
Yuen Kuan Yong, Sumeet Aphale and S. O. Reza Moheimani
School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, The University of Newcastle

- A fast flexure-based, piezoelectric stack-actuated XY nanopositioning stage is presented.
- The design has high first resonant mode at 2.7kHz, low cross-coupling of -35dB and relatively large traveling range of 25 μm x 25 μm.
- Hysteresis effect due to the piezoelectric actuators is minimized using charge actuation.
- Fast and accurate scanning performances, up to 400Hz, are achieved by applying the Integral Resonant Control method to damp the 1st resonant mode and by implementing the feedforward inversion technique for tracking.

WE-2(2) 16:20-16:40
Dedicated controller design for a dual-stage opto-mechatronic system
M. Staider, Y. Michellod, Ph. Mullhaupt, and D. Gillet
Laboratoire d’automatique, Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland

- PRIMA-Differential Delay Line (DDL) facility for VLTI, in Chili.
- Mechanical compensation of the atmospheric perturbation on the scientific light beam.
- Dynamic tracking of a stochastic reference with bandwidth up to 200Hz.
- Nanometer resolution above 70 nm.

WE-2(3) 16:40-17:00
Experimental Study on a Hybrid Actuation System
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- Hybrid system: Strength vs. Weakness
- Hybrid actuation system: CV motor + Servomotor.
- Control strategy: Servomotor compensates CV motor.
- Experiments: Verification of hybrid system.
- Discussion: Improvement of experiment.

WE-2(4) 17:00-17:20
Robust Adaptive Tracking Control of Electrostatic Micro-actuators with Uncertainty
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- A novel adaptive robust tracking control scheme for a class of 1DOF electrostatic micro-actuator systems with constant parameter uncertainties and external disturbances is addressed, which is based on backstepping control technique and Nussbaum gain function.
- The derived controller guarantees that the closed-loop system is globally and uniformly bounded, and the tracking error is convergent to a small neighbourhood of zero. Besides, the singular problem can be avoided.
- Simulation results demonstrate that the developed tracking controller can drive the electrostatic micro-actuator systems into prescribed orbits with good robustness and adaptability.

WE-2(5) 17:20-17:40
Development of Rate Independent Prandtl-Ishlinskii Model for Characterizing Asymmetric Hysteresis Nonlinearities of SMA Actuators
Mohammad Al Janaideh, Chun-Yi Su, and Subhash Rakheja
Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, Concordia University, Canada

- A generalized Prandtl-Ishlinskii model is formulated to model hysteresis nonlinearities of SMA actuators. In this model, a generalized play hysteresis operator is proposed and integrated with a density function to construct generalized Prandtl-Ishlinskii model.
- The formulated generalized Prandtl-Ishlinskii model can also describe hysteresis loops with saturated output displacement.
- The results suggest that unlike the classical Prandtl-Ishlinskii model, the proposed Prandtl-Ishlinskii can effectively characterize hysteresis nonlinearities of the SMA actuators.
WE-3: Medical Robotics
Session Chairs: Kiyoshi Nagai, Ritsumeikan University
Markus Koch, University of Paderborn, Germany
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WE-3(1) 16:00-16:20

Dynamics Computation of Link Mechanisms Employing COG Jacobian
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• This research is regarding to dynamics analysis employing center of gravity (COG) Jacobian for link mechanisms.
• COG Jacobian is a matrix that expresses differentiation relations about COG velocity and active joint's angle velocity in a motion.
• Using this method, we can obtain equation of motion concerning to open- and closed-link mechanisms.

Example: Dynamics analysis using COG Jacobian

WE-3(2) 16:20-16:40

Novel Approach for Lower Limb Segment Orientation in Gait Analysis Using Triaxial Accelerometers
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• Novel approach only based on accelerometers for three-dimensional (3D) orientation of lower limb segments during real-time motion were present.
• The angle displacements for orientation of each segment were calculated based on low-pass filtered accelerometer signals without integration.
• A simple device was developed based on the approach and compared with the high-accuracy camera system.

Measuring Segment Orientation with the Developed Device

WE-3(3) 16:40-17:00

Optic-Tactile robotics and medical applications
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• Optic-Tactile Sensors
• Robotics application
• Medical applications
• Hardware prototypes
• Sensory calibration
• Architectural overview
• Experiments
• Evaluation
• Video clips

Example: Optic-tactile robotics

WE-3(4) 17:00-17:20

In Situ Micro-Force Sensing and Quantitative Elasticity Evaluation of Living Drosophila Embryos At Different Stages
Uchechukwu C. Wejinya1, Yantao Shen2, and Ning Xi3
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• Designed, modeled and fabricated PVDF micro-force sensor
• PVDF micro-force sensor is integrated with networked human-robot system shown in Figure 1 for bio applications.
• Human-robot system used for injection of Drosophila embryos
• Force and deformation information are obtained from integrated system
• Elasticity results of the Drosophila embryo at different stages is evaluated, and results presented.

Figure 1: Experimental Setup for Micro-injection of Drosophila Embryo

WE-3(5) 17:20-17:40

Proposal of an Admittance Enhanced Redundant Joint Mechanism to Improve Backdrivability
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• A noble design of Admittance Enhanced Redundant Joint Mechanism (AERJM) is proposed to produce joint motions with adjustable admittance improving backdrivability.
• AERJM consists of a Redundancy Introducing Mechanism (RIM), the Adjustable Admittance Mechanism (AAM) and an ordinary actuator.
• The joint impedance of AERJM could be small even when an ordinary actuator adopts a high reduction ratio mechanism.

Basic Structure of Redundant Joint Mechanism
WE-4: Parallel Manipulators

Session Chairs: Yangmin Li, University of Macau
Cornel Brisan, Technical University of Cluj-napoca

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WE-4(1) 16:00-16:20

Position and Singularity Analysis of a Novel 3-RPUR Parallel Platform Mechanism
Shihua Li, Ning Ma and Changcheng Yu
Robotics Research Center, Yanshan University
Qinhuangdao, China

• The equation system of the mechanism structure constraint is established.
• The position analysis of the mechanism is done.
• The workspace of the structure constraint are analyzed.
• The singularity of the mechanism is researched.

WE-4(2) 16:20-16:40

Kinematic Analysis of A Novel 3-DOF 3-RPUR Translational Parallel Mechanism
Shihua Li, Ning Ma and Wenhua Ding
Robotics Research Center, Yanshan University
Qinhuangdao, China

• The first and second-order influence coefficient matrices are deduced.
• The kinematic equations are established.
• The velocity and acceleration curves given inputs are drawn.
• The kinematic performance is successive and steady in workspace.

WE-4(3) 16:40-17:00

Forward Kinematics of Spherical Parallel Manipulators with Revolute Joints
Shaoping Bai and Michael R. Hansen
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Aalborg, Denmark

• The forward kinematics of spherical parallel manipulators (SPM) is revisited.
• A novel approach utilizing the input-output equations of spherical four-bar linkages is presented.
• A polynomial equation for solutions of the forward kinematics problem is derived with concise coefficients
• Examples are included to demonstrate the application of the method

WE-4(4) 17:00-17:20

Virtual models in the case of calibration of the robots with parallel topology
Cornel Brisan
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Cluj-Napoca, Romania

• open loop and wire loops can be used for calibration of robots with parallel topologies
• virtual models, useful for calibration may be developed using MOBILE software package
• wire loops are recommended for reconfigurable parallel robots calibration
• wire loops are recommended because of their accuracy

WE-4(5) 17:20-17:40

Introducing Kinematical Redundancy into Parallel Mechanism with Force Redundancy
Kiyoshi Nagai and Zhengyong Liu
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Shiga, Japan

• A new concept that introducing internal kinematic redundancy into parallel force redundant mechanism is proposed.
• Higher acceleration can be gotten and small positional incoincidence among sub-arms can be allowed in the proposed mechanisms.
• The future work is to implement this theoretical method to improve the high speed mechanism NINJA, aiming at achieving an acceleration over 100[G] together with high precision.

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WE-5: Special Robots

Session Chairs: Yudai Adomi, Okayama University
Jeff Pieper, University of Calgary

Room 5, 16:00-17:40, Wednesday, 2 July 2008

WE-5(1) 16:00-16:20
An Autonomous Off-Road Robot Based on Integrative Technologies
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- Present an autonomous off-road robot designed by converging highly reliable integrative technologies.
- Provide a general robotics prototyping infrastructure for unmanned ground vehicle
- Demonstrated the robot’s robust integration of several subsystems by successfully competing in the IGVC.

WE-5(2) 16:20-16:40
Are Bigger Robots Scary?-The Relationship Between Robot Size and Psychological Threat
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- BACKGROUND: Few quantitative investigations have been made concerning the influence of the size of a robot on a user’s impression.
- OBJECTIVE: To find out the best robot size for a service robot from the psychological threat point of view.
- METHODOLOGY: Investigate subjective acceptable distance and anxiety for robots of various sizes. (600mm, 1200mm and 1800mm)
- RESULT: 1.2 m-tall robot was better than that of the other two sizes.

WE-5(3) 16:40-17:00
Intelligence Comparison between Fish and Robot using Chaos and Random
Jun Hirao and Mamoru Minami
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- In this paper we tackle a Fish-Catching task under a visual feedback hand-eye robotic system with a catching net.
- The purpose of this paper is to construct intelligence in order to track and catch the fish successfully.
- We embed chaotic and random motion into the net motion to realize a kind of robotic intelligence, and we show the chaotic and random net motion is effective to overcome the fish escaping strategies.

WE-5(4) 17:00-17:20
Automatic Pipe Negotiation Control for snake-like robot
Akina Kuwada, Shuichi Wakimoto, Koichi Suizumi and Yudai Adomi
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- The purpose is to realize self-propelling ability of a snake-like robot which travels in pipes.
- The robot consists of thirteen intelligent actuators (each actuator has a DC motor, a micro processor including a motor driver and communication function).
- Three control algorithms are proposed and programmed in the processors (force control, adjusting controls to changing pipe diameter and to curved pipe).
- As the results, the robot can negotiate automatically in several kinds of pipes such as different diameter, elbow shape, T branch shape and vertical setting without overloaded.

WE-5(5) 17:20-17:40
Bipedal Running with Nearly-Passive Flight Phases
Qinghong Guo, Chris Macnab, and Jeff Pieper
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- The flight phase is assumed nearly-passive
- The initial joint velocities of the flight phase can be solved by using a static optimization procedure
- The flight phase and the support phase are generated by dynamic optimization.
- The resultant running gaits are energy-efficient and elegant.
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TE-4  Micro/Nano Operations
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Disposable MagLev Centrifugal Blood Pump Utilizing Cone-Shaped Impeller

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2) Institute of Biomaterials and Bioengineering, Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Tokyo, Japan

- Higher durability and lower blood damage due to MagLev suspension of an impeller
- Cone-shaped impeller providing smooth blood flow
- Simply-structured MagLev mechanism for a low-cost disposable pump head
- CFD analysis for estimation of blood damage inside a pump head

Clamping Force Regulation of Servo Gun Mounted on Resistance Spot Welding Robot

Bin Niu, Yonglin Chi, and Hui Zhang
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- Force tolerance is one of the most critical parameters of a spot welding gun.
- Influence factors on the force output accuracy of servo gun are investigated.
- Force regulation methods based on both conventional open loop control and novel closed loop control are discussed.
- Closed loop force regulation will become the future trend.

Lyapunov Stable Control of Tubular Linear Permanent-Magnet Motor

Wenyong Li, ITI GmbH; BinCheng Li, Jiangsu University of Science and Technology

- ElectroMagnetic engine Valve (EMV) has received a great deal of attention from the viewpoint of fuel economy.
- We proposed a new positioning controller using a sliding mode servo control with a feedforward control for the EMV in order to accomplish high speed positioning.
- We confirmed the effectiveness of the proposed controller through experiments using the prototype linear motor for the EMV.
TA-2: Localization I

Session Chairs: Dongbing Gu, University of Essex
Peter X. Liu, Carleton University

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TA-2(1) 10:30–10:50

Localizing Objects During Robot SLAM in Semi-Dynamic Environments
Hongjun Zhou and Shigeyuki Sakane
Tokyo Metropolitan Industrial Technology Research Institute, Japan
and Chuo University, Japan

- We conducted experiments using a mobile robot mounted with a laser range-finder and an RFID tag antenna

An experiment to detect semi-dynamic objects, dust boxes and doors, in a long corridor

TA-2(2) 10:50–11:10

Localization in Wireless Sensor Networks Using a Mobile Anchor Node
Zhen Hu1, Dongbing Gu2, Zhengxun Song1, and Hongzuo Li1
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2University of Essex, UK.

- This paper describes a mobile anchor centroid localization method.
- It uses a single mobile anchor node to move in the sensing field.
- The single mobile anchor node broadcasts its current position periodically.
- We use simulations and tests from an indoor deployment to investigate the performance.

TA-2(3) 11:10–11:30

A Large Planar Camera Array for Multiple Automated Guided Vehicles Localization
Xuefeng Liang, Yasushi Sumi, Bong Keun Kim, Hyun Min Do, Yong-Shik Kim, Tetsuo Tamizawa, Kenichi Obara, Tamio Tanikawa and Kiyohiro Ohtsuka
National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Japan

- An intelligent camera switch algorithm significantly reduces the redundant video data.
- The proposed system provides more precisely tracking, recognition and localization ability.
- The system can be automatically recalibrated if camera pose changes under an accident.

TA-2(4) 11:30–11:50

Discrete Probabilistic Localization of Wireless Sensor Networks
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2Computer Science and Engineering Dept., Oakland University, Rochester, MI, USA

- For certain applications, low overhead discrete localization achieves comparable results to costly fine localization
- A discrete and probabilistic localization method that requires no transmission overhead from the sensor nodes is presented
- Simulations show that the method converges to the true position in a relatively short time

TA-2(5) 11:50–12:10

Improving Consistency of EKF-based SLAM Algorithms by Using Accurate Linear Approximation
Rongchuan Sun1, Shugen Ma1, Bin Li2, and Yuechao Wang3
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2Department of Robotics, Ritsumeikan University, Noji-Higashi, Kusatsu-Shi, Japan
3Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China

- Accurate linear approximations of the measurements
- Linearizing the measurements at one point from the point view of objective function
- The improved EKF-based SLAM algorithm
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TA-3: Measurement
Session Chairs: Imad Elhajj, American University of Beirut
Kazuhiko Takahashi, Doshisha University
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TA-3(1) 10:30–10:50
Feasibility of Emotion Recognition from Breath Gas Information
Kazuhiko Takahashi1 and Iwao Sugimoto2
1 Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan
2 Tokyo University of Technology, Tokyo, Japan

- The breath gas sensing system is designed by using a quartz crystal resonator with a plasma-polymer film.
- Two emotions of comfortableness and no emotion are considered and the obtained average emotion recognition rates are 47.5% using the ANN and 67.5% using the SVM, respectively.

Breath gas sensing system

TA-3(2) 10:50–11:10
Wireless Sensor Node for Real-Time Thickness Measurement and Localization of Oil Spills
Agop Koulakezian, Rostom Ohranessian, Hovig Deniklian, Milad Chalfoun, Mohamad Khaled Joujou, Ali Chehab, Imad H. Elhajj
ECE Department, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

- Low-cost floating oil thickness and location sensor
- Facilitates a fast and efficient oil spill cleanup
- Real-time thickness measurement based on conductivity and light absorption
- Features: insensitive to temperature, lighting conditions, waves, and water salinity

Oil Spill Sensor

TA-3(3) 11:10–11:30
Model of Airport Runway Frictional Coefficient Measure Vehicle Based on Impedance Diagrams
Xudong Shi, Pengfei Yang, Liwen Wang and Yinhong Shi
Aeronautical Automation College, Civil Aviation University of China
Tianjin, China

- Airport runway frictional coefficient measure vehicle.
- Modeling of Impedance Diagram.
- Modelling of the hanging system.
- Modelling of the measuring system.

Impedance block diagram of the hanging system

TA-3(4) 11:30–11:50
TWO DIMENSIONAL INDUCTIVE ENCODER FOR MEASURING 2D DISPLACEMENT
Yosef Hojjat, Mohammad Reza Karafi, Mahmud Ghanbari
Department of mechanical engineering, tarbiat modares university
Tehran, Iran

- A new method which can directly measure the displacements in X and Y direction simultaneously.

2D inductive encoder

TA-3(5) 11:50–12:10
In Vivo Estimation of Dynamic Muscle-tendons Moment Arm Lengths Using a Wearable Sensor System
Rencheng Zheng
Kochi University of Technology

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TA-4: Microactuators
Session Chairs: Chao Hu, Shenzhen Institute of Advanced Technology
Wei-Hsin Liao, Chinese University of Hong Kong
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TA-4(1)  10:30-10:50
A Wireless Actuation System for Micro-robot Moving Inside Pipeline
Chao Hu, Dongmei Chen, Max Q.-H. Meng, Le Wang
Shenzhen Institute of Advanced Integration Technology, Chinese Academy of Science/Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen, China

- The magnetic system and the actuation method.
- The approach how to compute the force and torque of the magnet enclosed in micro-robot.
- The real time actuation system and experiment results

The schematic view of actuation system

TA-4(2)  10:50-11:10
Performance Evaluation of a Miniaturized Unconstrained Digital On-Off Switching Valve
Sumadi Jen, Yaichiro Ogawa, Shinichi Hirai, and Kenshin Honda
Department of Robotics, Ritsumeikan University, Shiga, Japan

- Miniaturized pneumatic digital switching valve for wearable robot.
- Simple construction, lightweight, small size and high flow rate.
- Piezoelectrically actuated valve.
- PWM-controlled valve with an embedded microcontroller and PZT driver reduces the overall size.
- Valve characteristics are described in detail by experimentation.

Miniaturized Unconstrained Pneumatic PWM Control Valve

TA-4(3)  11:10-11:30
Self-Sensing Actuators for Adaptive Vibration Control of Hard Disk Drives
Kwong Wah Chan and Wei-Hsin Liao
The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shatin, N. T., Hong Kong, China

- Self-sensing piezoelectric actuators (SSAs) incorporating an adaptive mechanism for vibration control of suspensions in dual-stage hard disk drives are investigated.
- Combining self-tuning adaptive compensation with the SSA technique to extract the true sensing signal.
- An assembled suspension with micro piezoelectric actuators is tested.
- Experimental results show the target vibration modes have been suppressed effectively using the adaptive positive position feedback controller.

Dual-stage servo system

TA-4(4)  11:30-11:50
A Concept for a New Energy Efficient Actuator
Stefano Stramigioli, Gijs van Oort, Edwin Derksen
IMPACT institute, Control Engineering Group, University of Twente, Enschede, the Netherlands

- An ideal actuator would be able to
  - store and re-use negative work
  - deliver any static torque without consuming energy (no work = no energy)
- This can be achieved with a system consisting of
  - DC motor
  - clutching mechanism
  - elastic storage element
  - Infinite Variable Transmission

The V2E2 concept
TA-5: Nonlinear & Adaptive Control I

Session Chairs: Moeed Mukhtar, Purdue University
Hideki Hashimoto, University of Tokyo

Room 5: Marseilles 10:30-12:10, Thursday, 3 July 2008

TA-5(1) 10:30-10:50

Trajectory Control for an Autonomous Bicycle with Balancer
Lychek Keo and Yamakita Masaki
Faculty of Mechanical and Control Engineering, Tokyo Institute of Technology
Tokyo, Japan

- The bicycle with the balancer dynamics is derived from Lagrangian and nonholonomic constraints.
- The trajectory tracking and balancing control systems can work very well, even when the forward velocity is zero.
- The proposed control is validated by numerical results for the bicycle stabilization and trajectory tracking.


TA-5(3) 11:10-11:30

Modeling and Control of the Pneumatic Constant Pressure System for Zero Gravity Simulation
Bo Lu, Guixiang Tao, Zhong Xiang, and Wei Zhong
State Key Laboratory of Fluid Power Transmission and Control, Zhejiang University
Hangzhou, China

- The complete dynamic mathematical model is developed.
- Valve dynamics, flow nonlinearities, pressure evolution and gas leakage in cylinders are considered.
- A hybrid piecewise control method combined with bang-bang, PD and fuzzy P+ID algorithm is proposed to minimize the pressure fluctuations.
- Steady state pressure fluctuation is less than 30Pa.


TA-5(4) 11:30-11:50

Adaptive PID Controller Based on Online LSSVM Identification
Shang Wanfeng, Zhao Shengdun, Shen Yajing
Department of Mechatronics Engineering, Xi'an Jiaotong University
Xi'an, China

- A PID controller based on least squares support vector machines (LSSVM) identifier (PID_LSSVMI) is proposed.
- PID parameters are adjusted by gradient information of LSSVM for nonlinear time-varying system.
- Simulation is made to compare performance of three controllers, namely, PID_LSSVMI, classical PID controller, and PID_RBFNN.
- Results show the controller is effective and can achieve better control performance in control of nonlinear time-varying system.


TA-5(5) 11:50-12:10

New strategy of nonlinear PD controller for hydraulic force system under large variation of load stiffness
Huayong Yang, Yiming Xu, Wei Sun
State Key Laboratory of Fluid Power Transmission and Control, Zhejiang University
Hangzhou, China

- Large variation of stiffness and load.
- New approach to build the nonlinear gain functions.
- The performance of new functions is better than original.
- High performance can be guaranteed and the control algorithm is simple to realize in engineering.


Document Scanner Velocity Command Synthesis Using Time Optimal Command Shaping
Moeed Mukhtar, Peter H. Meckl, and George T.-C. Chiu
School of Mechanical Engineering, Purdue University
West Lafayette, Indiana, USA

- A buffer region exists between the velocity ramp-up and constant velocity scan to allow the transient vibrations to settle before starting a scan.
- This paper proposes using time optimal command shaping to reduce vibrations during velocity ramp-up for stepper motor belt drive systems.
- Experiment data confirms that with the proposed method, buffer region is shortened by 8% that resulted in 8% improvement in throughput. In addition the scanner footprint is also reduced by 0.9 in.

Scanhead Velocity Profile

Estimation index Input signal Controllers

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TP-1: Piezoelectronic Devices
Session Chairs: Wei Ren, Utah State University
Wei-Hsin Liao, Chinese University of Hong Kong
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TP-1(1) 14:00–14:20
Closed-Form Equations for the Vibrations of a Flexure-Based Scott-Russell Mechanism
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1Robotics and Mechatronics Research Laboratory, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Monash University, Clayton, Australia
2School of Mechanical Engineering, Tianjin University, Tianjin, China
- Closed-form solutions for the vibration of a Scott-Russell mechanism is given.
- The dynamic model of the flexure-based mechanism is developed with consideration of the driving circuit.
- The slope control signal is utilized to improve the dynamic performance of the Scott-Russell mechanism.
- The influence of the rising time on the dynamic characteristics is investigated.

TP-1(2) 14:20–14:40
A Multiphysics Coupled Model for Active Aerostatic Thrust Bearings
Gorka Aguirre, Farid Al-Bender, and Hendrik Van Brussel
Department of Mechanical Engineering, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Leuven, Belgium
- Active aerostatic bearings avoid problems related to friction and can achieve high dynamic stiffness and nanometer resolution.
- Structural flexibility, fluid dynamics, piezoelectricity and control must be considered simultaneously for an optimized design.
- A strongly coupled multiphysics finite element model is presented.

TP-1(3) 14:40–15:00
Experiments with Coupled Harmonic Oscillators with Local Interaction
Larry Ballard and Wei Ren
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Utah State University, Logan, UT, USA
- The purpose of this paper is to experimentally validate coupled harmonic oscillators using simulation and a team of mobile robots.
- The purpose of this control strategy is to form groups of mobile robots to move in a synchronized manner.
- Results of the control strategy are given for both continuous and discrete time implementations.

TP-1(4) 15:00–15:20
Study on a PZT Actuator Based on Pre-stressed Mechanism
Yi-Cheng Huang, Jen-Ai Chao and Lin Hsiang-Jung
Department of Mechatronics Engineering
National Changhua University of Education
- In this paper, a redesign of the prestress mechanism of the stack-type piezoelectric ceramic actuator is provided. Belleville (disc) springs which have a specific height-to-thickness ratio are constructed to generate a constant pre-stress force to the PZT and operated in a special condition. The zero spring-rate preload mechanism is not only used to handle the tensile stress but also used in both the constant force actuation mode and elastic suspension mode.

TP-1(5) 15:20–15:40
Research on the Characteristic Gas Acquisition and Data Processing System for Power Transformer
Gan Suang, Fu Hongsheng, Cao Jian, and Yan Gangzhao
Mechanical and Electrical college, Jiaxing University
Jiaxing, China
- Introduction.
- The intelligent on-line monitoring instrument design.
- The characteristic gases acquisition signal selection.
- Sensor selection
- Information acquisition circuit
- Research on the data processing method and its realization
- Conclusions.

Fig. 1 The intelligent on-line monitoring system
TP-2: Localization II
Session Chairs: Koichi Hashimoto, Tohoku University
Yasuharu Kunii, Chuo University
Room 2: Cannes 14:00-15:40, Thursday, 3 July 2008

TP-2(1) 14:00-14:20

A Dynamic Localization Algorithm for Mobile Robots using the iGS system
SeungKeun Cho, SukChan Shin, JangMyung Lee
Department of Electronic Engineering Pusan National University, Pusan, Korea

• Using the iGS system which is consist of three beacons and one localizer.
• Obtaining position of beacons using Auto calibration algorithm.
• Using the Dynamic Localization algorithm when the speed of the mobile robot is higher than permission error.
• Comparing position error of the normal algorithm with position error of the dynamic localization algorithm through experiment at high speed.

Dynamic localization algorithm

TP-2(2) 14:20-14:40

Particle Filtering for WSN Aided SLAM
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3. The Key Laboratory of Biomimetic Sensing and Advanced Robot Technology

• It does not impose any assumption to the system model and distributions of noises. So it can be applied in totally unknown environments and can be applied to dynamic system;
• It requires much small space of memories for it calculates posterior distribution recursively. That also decreases amount of calculations;
• It can be implemented as a distributed system. So the dimension can be decreased;
• It is suitable for non-linear systems and is more accurate than kalman filter based algorithms.

Comparison of precision

TP-2(3) 14:40-15:00

Comparison of Robot Localization Methods Using Distributed and Onboard Laser Range Finders
Drazen Brsicic and Hideki Hashimoto
Institute of Industrial Science, The University of Tokyo
Tokyo, Japan

• Tracking of robots by combining onboard sensors and distributed sensors.
• Two methods are considered: one based on approximation, the other using a model of the robot and environment.
• Comparison of tracking characteristics.

Experimental set-up

TP-2(4) 15:00-15:20

2D tracking of single paramecium by using parallel level set method and visual servoing
Xianfeng Fei, Yasunobu Igarashi and Koichi Hashimoto
Graduate School of Information Sciences, Tohoku University
Sendai, Japan

• Our parallel LSM detects only one object for robust single cell tracking by limitation of detection area.
• By using our method, the single paramecium can be kept tracking even if another ones appear in the visual field and contact with the tracked one.

Experimental set-up

TP-2(5) 15:20-15:40

Effects of Overlapping Detection on Ellipsoidal Object Singulation with Live Broiler Handling Applications
Kok-Meng Lee, Shaohui Foong and John Jones
G.W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia, USA

• Clustering characterization of ellipsoidal objects in narrow channel.
• Derivation of constraints imposed on sensor placement based on ellipsoidal size ranges.
• Experimental investigation using live broilers:
  • Effects of acceleration on broiler reaction.
  • Slip corrected overlapping broiler profiles.
  • Speed dependency of feature detection resolution of 2D profiles.

Design Tradeoffs of Overlapping Ellipsoidal Objects
TP-3: Modeling and Simulation
Session Chairs: Lilong Cai, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Heinz Ulbrich, Technical University of Munich
Room 3: Dijon 14:00-15:40, Thursday, 3 July 2008

TP-3(1) 14:00–14:20
Force Modeling with Parameter Estimation for Real Time Force Simulation
Chen Zhao, Gerhard Schillhuber, and Heinz Ulbrich
Institute of Applied Mechanics, Technische Universität München, Garching, Germany
• Real time force simulation and prediction based on Finite Element (FE) force models.
• Geometric modeling of the force models using measurements.
• Identification of Material parameter in the finite element force models.
• Online certification of the force models.
• Robotic contact operation system with laser and force-torque sensors.

TP-3(2) 14:20–14:40
A Calibration Method for Uncoupling Projector and Camera of a Structured Light System
Jiarui Liao and Lilong Cai
Department of Mechanical Engineering
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Hong Kong, China
• Focus on the calibration of a 3D measurement system based on a structured light technique.
• Uncouple the complicated relationship between the projector and camera.
• Fast, accurate and easy to implement.

TP-3(3) 14:40–15:00
Panel Adjustment Error of Large Reflector Antennas Considering Electromechanical Coupling
Wei Wang, Congli Wang, Peng Li and Liewei Song
Research Institute on Mechatronics, Xidian University
Xi'an, Shaanxi Province, China
• The relationship between sample position vector and reflector panel displacement.
• An approximate expression for ETM (Error Transformation Matrix) between panel adjustment errors and aperture errors is derived.
• The power pattern of the antenna with panel adjustment error is calculated by Geometry Optics.
• Two types of panel adjustment errors are simulated in a three-ring segmented reflector antenna.

TP-3(4) 15:00–15:20
Analysis of Imbalance Response of the Rotor Test Bed
Honghong Fan and Xiaodong Zhang
School of Mechanical Engineering, Xi'an Jiaotong University
Xi'an, China
• This paper studies on the rotor test bed, and the supporting condition of the rotor-bearing is set in reason with the help of ANSYS.
• Critical speed of the rotor test bed is calculated.
• The response characteristic of the rotor-bearing system under various imbalances is analysed.
• The imbalance responses of different position of the rotor are shown.

TP-3(5) 15:20–15:40
Research on Tooth Surface Integrality of Cold Rolling Spline
Fengkui Cui, Fengshou Zhang, Hongyu Xu, Xiaoqiang Wang, and Yan Li
Henan University of Science & Technology, Luoyang, China
• Based on the experimental research, metal microstructure evolvement, remnant stress distribution, hardness distribution and tooth surface quality, tooth surface integrality of cold rolling spline are studied in this paper.
• Some conclusions are obtained from the research results. Metal microstructure surface layer and remnant stress distribution are reformed. Strength of spline and tooth quality are improved. So tooth surface integrality is enhanced markedly.
TP-4: Micor/Nano Devices
Session Chairs: Shuxiang Guo, Kagawa University
Yangmin Li, University of Macau
Room 4: Avignon 14:00-15:40, Thursday, 3 July 2008

TP-4(1) 14:00–14:20

Concept proposal of a miniature on-demand factory and its efficiency evaluation
Nozomu Mishima, Shinsuke Kondoh, Shizuka Nakano, Kiwamu Ashida and Keijiro Masui
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- The authors proposed a conceptual miniature manufacturing system called microfactory.
- We also proposed an integrated and simple index of system efficiency.
- The analysis showed the system efficiency of the microfactory was still low.
- The second generation microfactory, on-demand factory was developed to show the miniature manufacturing system is suitable for diverse-types-and-small-quantity production.

TP-4(2) 14:20–14:40

MEMS Capacitive Force Sensor for Use in Microassembly
Henry K. Chu, James K. Mills, and William L. Cleghorn
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Toronto, Ontario, Canada

- This paper covers the design and modeling of a MEMS capacitive sensor for use in microassembly processes.
- The MEMS sensor has an dimension of 3600 μm x 840 μm x 10 μm and was fabricated using Micragem.
- The relationship between the input force and the resultant sensor displacement are modeled using strain energy equation.
- Experimental results showed that a capacitance change of 112.4 fF would result for a 20-μm input displacement.

TP-4(3) 14:40–15:00

Analytical model of Electrostatic Fixed-Fixed Microbeam for Pull-in Voltage
Xiezhao Lin, Ji Ying
College of Mechanical and Energy Engineering, ZheJiang University
Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China

- An accurate model for predicting pull-in voltage necessitates the clear need for MEMS devices based on microbeam structures.
- Using Rayleigh–Ritz method for determining the pull-in voltage.
- The model can consider the effects of axial stress, residual stress, stretch stress gradient non-linear stiffening, and fringing fields.
- The model estimation results agree well with other published work and FEM simulation results in most common case.

TP-4(4) 15:00–15:20

Calibration of Piezoelectric Actuator-based Vision Guided Cell Microinjection System
Yanliang Zhang, Mingli Han, Yap Shee Cheng and Wei Tech Ang
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Singapore

- Calibration of a vision guided cell microinjection system is tedious and expensive.
- Calibration sample is not required in the proposed method.
- Only one matrix is required to be calibrated.
- It is suitable for those systems that require calibration for every experiment.

TP-4(5) 15:20–15:40

Development of a Spiral Type of Wireless Microrobot
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- Proposed a spiral type of microrobot that can move in human organs such like intestines, even blood vessels as an assumption has a great potential application for microsurgery.
- Based on the previous researches, the structure of the developed microrobot has been designed.
- Manipulated the motion of microrobot by applying the alternate magnetic field.
- Evaluated the characteristic of the microrobot.
- This microrobot will play an important role in both industrial and medical applications such as microsurgery.
TP-5: Nonlinear & Adaptive Control II

Session Chairs: T.J. Tarn, Washington University
I-Ming Chen, Nanyang Technological University

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TP-5(1) 14:00-14:20

Could Chaotic Dynamics Knock at the Door of Intelligent Control?

Yongtao Li, Shuhei Kurata, Kosuke Shigematsu, Yuta Takamura, Shogo Morita, Shigetoshi Nara
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- Observation of chaos in brain suggests that chaos could play an important role in their excellent (even intelligent) functioning.
- Neural network to generate chaos is constructed and implemented into a roving robot that is designed to solve ill-posed problems (2-dimensional mazes).
- In our idea, adaptability and using experience are the two important elements of intelligence, and both can be realized in our works.
- Chaotic dynamics has novel potential capability in complex control with simple rule.

TP-5(2) 14:20-14:40

An Improved Bayesian Optimization Algorithm for Fault Identification on Flight Control System

Xiaoxiong Liu, Jingping Shi, Weiguo Zhang, and Yan Wu
College of Automation Northwestern Polytechnical University, Xi'an, China

- A Mutation-based Bayesian Optimization Algorithm (BOA) is presented.
- The proposed algorithm combines the ability of guiding search of the global information and the ability of exploring search space of the local information.
- The clustering analysis algorithm for fault identification is achieved by using improved BOA.
- According to the fault analysis algorithm for fault identification is achieved by using improved BOA.

TP-5(3) 14:40-15:00

Model Predictive Control of Precision Stages with Nonlinear Friction

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2. Engine Development Department, Daihatsu Technor Co., Ltd., Shiga, Japan

- Model predictive control has been applied to the ultra-precision stage with frictional drive mechanism.
- Nonlinear friction compensation is performed to the stage.
- Identification and design of the MPC considering the frictional effect are investigated.
- Experiments with the linear actuator-driven stage prove the validity of the proposed design and control approach.

TP-5(4) 15:00-15:20

Controller Design for a Class of Nonlinear Fuzzy Time-varying Delay Systems

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2. Key Laboratory of Condition Monitoring and Control for Power Plant Equipment (North China Electric Power University), Ministry of Education, Beijing, 102206, China

- Fuzzy modeling for state and input time-varying Delay systems.
- Obtain a sufficient condition for the robustly asymptotic stability.
- Construct a feedback control law by solving LMI.

TP-5(5) 15:20-15:40

Robust Fuzzy Control of a Nonlinear Magnetic Bearing System with Computing Time Delay

Kai Zheng, Heng Liu, and Lie Yu
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- This paper presents a robust fuzzy logic-based control scheme for a nonlinear magnetic bearing system with computing time delay. The well known Takagi-Sugeno fuzzy model is chosen to represent the nonlinear magnetic bearing. A fuzzy-model-based PDC controller is designed in terms of a proposed delay-dependent stabilization criterion which guarantees the asymptotic stability of the fuzzy model. Some simulation shows the effectiveness of the proposed method.
**TE-1: Assembly**

Session Chairs: Kyong-mo Koo, Tohoku University
Kyoungchul Kong, University of California, Berkeley

Room 1: Toulouse 16:00-17:40, Thursday, 3 July 2008

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**TE-1(1) 16:00–16:20**

Assembly Scheduling of Complex Devices with Work Force Optimization

Jianhua Yang
Tsinghua University

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**TE-1(2) 16:20–16:40**

Effective Component Disassembly Approach for Aircraft Assembly Based on Fuzzy-Clustering Algorithm

Kaifu Zhang, Lei Zhao, Yuan Li, and Yi Shao
Northwestern Polytechnical University

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**TE-1(3) 16:40–17:00**

**Fast collision detection approach to facilitate interactive modular fixture assembly design in VE**

Peng Gaoliang, Wang Gongdong, Chen Yanhai
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Harbin, China

- System memory: the information of large numbers of bounding volumes was not needed to store and the storage of thousands of polygons can be avoided. F-CD only needs less memory to store the information of LPM.
- Cost time. F-CD can exclude the collision possibility and avoid useless computation.
- Practicability. In the situation of environment models change frequently, F-CD is more suitable. Further more, F-CD can well integrate with VR developed toolkit thus more practical.

**Overview of CD algorithm**

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**TE-1(4) 17:00–17:20**

Development of a Robot Car Wiring System

K. Koo, X. Jiang, K. Kikuchi, A. Konno, M. Uchiyama
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- A robot system for car wiring tasks is developed.
- The robot system is composed of three robot arms that are equipped with stereo cameras and force sensors at the wrists.
- A GUI-based teaching system is developed.
- The developed system demonstrates visual recognition, pinching a wire harness, and clamps it on a board.

**Overview of system**

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**TE-1(5) 17:20–17:40**

Omnidirectional Morphology Applied to Wood Defects Testing by using Computed Tomography

Dawei Qi and Lei Yu
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Harbin, China

- Omni-directional Structure Element
- Multi-scale Structure Element
TE-2: Navigation

Session Chairs: Huosheng Hu, University of Essex
Zhi-Dong Wang, Chiba University of Technology

Room 2: Cannes 16:00-17:40, Thursday, 3 July 2008

TE-2(1) 16:00–16:20
Learning Of Biologically Inspired Behaviors For Autonomous Robots
By A Navigational Network
Paulo A. Jiménez, Bijan Shirinzadeh, and Yongmin Zhong
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- The navigational network is trained to maintain a vector pointing to the home base based on the Path Integration (PI) system of ants.
- A search algorithm is proposed to locate the home base once the navigational network has reached its reset position.

TE-2(2) 16:20–16:40
Mayfly: A Small Mapping Robot for Japanese Office Environments
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Kotaro Hirasawa
Information, Production and Systems Engineering Graduate School, Waseda University, Kitakyushu, Japan

- A robotic solution for mapping confined spaces.
- Can carry payloads greater in mass than itself.
- Mechatronic and software architecture extensible to many different kinds of robots.

TE-2(3) 16:40–17:00
VeE: Design and Implementation of a Generic Virtual Environment Engine
Lin Shi, Zhiang Wang and Zhigang Li
Information and Engineering college, University of Science and Technology Beijing, Beijing, China

- Virtual scenes built by the engine
- Architecture of the engine
- Model import, max,,,->.x file, then all models loaded to the scene.
- Self defining script, it makes the scene edit easy to master, no need to program.
- Improved ray algorithm to do collision detection between objects and the land, which makes the virtual scene more realistic.
- An virtual indoor environment was constructed to test the engine, running results show it is effective and reasonable.

TE-2(4) 17:00–17:20
3D Laser Range Scanner with Hemispherical Field of View for Robot Navigation
Julian Ryde and Huosheng Hu
Department of Computing and Electronic Systems
University of Essex, Colchester, England

- A novel approach to 3D mapping based on an enhanced 3D laser scanner.
- Driven by a stepper motor to achieve omni-directional 3D scans in 3 seconds.
- Achieved by sampling Multi-Resolution Occupancy lists.
- Occupancy Lists, an efficient and compact representation.

TE-2(5) 17:20–17:40
The DSP Based Catcher Robot System with Stereo Vision
Chyi-Yeu Lin, Yi-Pin Chiu
Department of Mechanical Engineering
National Taiwan University of Science and Technology
Taipei, Taiwan

- The catcher robot includes a 2-DOF arm, 2-CCDs stereo vision source, and a DSP computation platform.
- The catcher robot can catch the ball thrown to it from four meters away.
- This ball fast recognition and catching techniques will be implemented to an adult-size humanoid robot soon.
A Hybrid External System for the Generation of Biped Locomotion
Y.J. Yin and S. Hosoe
Bio-mimetic Control Research Center, RIKEN, Japan

- We synthesize a hybrid system for the systematic generation of biped locomotion.
- The manifold of initial state and the parameters are specified.
- The system is robust to state perturbation.
- Simulation results illustrate and validate the method.

A periodic orbit of leg for biped running

On Acceleration/Deceleration Hybrid Interpolation for Multi-blocks of NURBS Curves
Hao-Wei Nien, Hong-Tzong Yau, Hsin-Chuan Su, Meng-Shun Tsai, and Chin-Chu Sun
Department of Mechanical Engineering, National Chung Cheng Univ., Chia-Yi, Taiwan, R.O.C.

- The Acc/Dec hybrid interpolation integrates the Acc/Dec before interpolation and Acc/Dec after interpolation techniques to deal with multi-blocks of NURBS curves.
- The joint feedrates for multi-blocks of NURBS curves are computed by utilizing the derived corner error equation.
- The proposed Acc/Dec hybrid interpolation scheme improves tracking and contour accuracies.

ZMP-Based Biped Running Pattern Generation With Contact Transition of Foot
Hyeonsik Shin and Jong Hyeon Park
Mechatronics Lab, Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea

- Generates trajectory for biped robots based on the moving ZMP with SLIP model (COG or CoM).
- Results in an M-shaped ground reaction force at the support foot.
- Contact occurs at the heel first and the toe last.
- Momentum control is used.

Impulse / Sliding Mode Hybrid System Modeling of Interacting Rigid Body Systems
Reza Pedrami, Brandon W. Gordon, and Ali Akgunduz
Department of Mechanical and Industrial Eng., Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

- Hybrid modeling of rigid bodies in contact
- Impulse and collision model
- Modeling continuous contact with differential algebraic equations (DAE)
- Proposing hybrid automaton for analysis of rigid body systems

Research on Mode Tracking of Hybrid Systems
Changzheng Liu, Guiyun Ye
Heilongjiang Institute of Science and Technology, China
**TE-4: Micro/Nano Operations**

**Session Chairs:** Lixin Dong, ETHZ  
Aiguo Ming, UEC  

**Room 4: Avignon 16:00-17:40, Thursday, 3 July 2008**

**TE-4(1)  16:00–16:20**

**Metal-filled Carbon Nanotubes for NanoMechatronics**

Lixin Dong1, Xinyong Tao2, Li Zhang2, Xiaobin Zhang2, and Bradley J. Nelson3  
1ETH Zurich, Switzerland, 2Zhejiang Univ., China, 3University of South Carolina, USA  

- Controlled melting, evaporation and flowing of Cu and Sn intra-/inter-nanotube investigated experimentally.  
- Attogram mass flow realized by electric current driven heating, diffusion, and electromigration.  
- Metal atoms passed through nanotube walls. Mass loss for the cap-to-wall architecture is much smaller than that for the wall-to-cap junction.  
- Kink nanotube fluidic junctions showed as potential nanooactuators.

**TE-4(2)  16:20–16:40**

**Development of the needle-insertion system for path-error correction using a CMTD(Curved Multi-Tubed Device)**

Junji Furusho, Takehito Kikuchi, Hidekazu Tanaka, Hiroshi Kobayashi, Tatsuro Yamamoto, Motokazu Terayama, Morito Monden  
Graduate school of Engineering, Osaka University, Osaka, Japan  

- We are studying the mechanically-controllable insertion system for biopsy under ultrasound guidance so that we can reduce the time for the procedure and physical strain on the patient.  
- In this study, we focus on needle path correction in pig liver environment after the occurrence of an error.

**TE-4(3)  16:40–17:00**

**Achieving High-Bandwidth Nanopositioning In Presence of Plant Uncertainties**

Sumeet S. Aphale1, Santosh Desai2 and S. O. Reza Moheimani3  
1University of Newcastle, Callaghan, NSW, Australia  
2University of Washington, Seattle, WA, USA  

- A technique to improve the tracking bandwidth of a nanopositioning platform using the inversion-based feedforward technique, by damping the system resonance is presented.  
- This technique is robust and delivers accurate tracking performance in presence of changes in resonance frequency.  
- It is shown that the tracking bandwidth increases from 310 Hz to 3120 Hz.  
- Tracking results are presented for 15µm band-limited triangular waveforms at 10 Hz, 40 Hz and 100 Hz.

**TE-4(4)  17:00–17:20**

**Haptic Rendering of Tissue Boundary for Surgical Training**

Renge Zhou, Dangxiao Wang and Yuru Zhang  
State Key Lab of Virtual Reality Technology and Systems, Beihang University, Beijing, China  

- Goal: haptic rendering of the boundaries between tissues with different physical properties.  
- Performance metrics: boundary perceptibility, boundary force stability and plane height stability.  
- Rendering Method: gray area method, virtual interface method.  
- Experiments: rendering of foggy boundary, sensing shape of boundary and tooth section simulation.

**TE-4(5)  17:20–17:40**

**Development of Underwater Robot Using Macro Fiber Composite**

Yoshinori Nagata, Seokyoung Park, Aiguo Ming, and Makoto Shimojo  
The University of Electro-Communications, Tokyo, Japan  

- Using PZT fiber composites as actuator and sensor to develop intelligent underwater robots.  
- Underwater robots can simulate the meandering movement of underwater creatures in compact and simple structure.  
- High speed motion at 0.32m/s has been realized.
Adaptive Robust Control of Linear Motor Systems with Dynamic Friction Compensation Using Modified LuGre Model
Lu Lu 1, Bin Yao 1,2, Qingfeng Wang 1 and Zheng Chen 1
1. The State Key Laboratory of Fluid Power Transmission and Control, Zhejiang University
2. School of Mechanical Engineering, Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA

- Details the digital implementation problems of the well-known LuGre model based dynamic friction compensation systems experiencing large range of motion speeds.
- A modified model is presented to overcome those shortcomings.
- An adaptive robust control (ARC) algorithm with friction compensation using the proposed dynamic friction model is developed and experimentally tested.
- Comparative experimental results reveal the substantially improved tracking performance at both low and high speed motions, while without the instability problem of the LuGre model based dynamic friction compensation at high speeds.

Experimental Testbed – An Industrial Precision Gantry System

Slip Modelling, Detection and Control for Redundantly Actuated Wheeled Mobile Robots
Yuan Ping Li 1, Marcelo H. Ang Jr 2,3, and Wei Lin 1
1. Mechatronics Group, Singapore Institute of Manufacturing Technology, Singapore
2. Department of Mechanical Engineering, National University of Singapore, Singapore

- Slip Formalization
- Kinematic Slip Model
- Slip Constrained Force Control
- Force-Controlled Guided Wheeled Mobile Robots

Experimental Testbed – Omnidirectional wheeled mobile robot developed in SIMTech

The Grid-side PWM Converter of the Wind Power Generation System Based on Fuzzy Sliding Mode Control
Xingjia Yao, Chuanbao Yi, Deng ying Shenyang University of Technology Shenyang, China

- The equations of active power and reactive power controlled independently under the d-q frame of axes are given.
- The fuzzy sliding mode controller is designed suitably.
- The simulation results show that the FSMC adopted can be held to disturbance and nonlinear variety of load.

FSMC of grid-side converter block diagram

Construction of Central Pattern Generator for Quadruped Locomotion Control
Huashan Feng and Runxiao Wang
School of Mechatronics, Northwestern Polytechnical University Xi’an, China

- A perturbed dynamical system is driven by means of embedding arbitrary smooth target signal into a canonical oscillator with limit cycle properties.
- The shape of target signal can be adjusted on line by internal parameters.
- The coupling of the new oscillators is used to construct a CPG network.
- The outputs of system are used to control the walking of a quadruped robot with 12-DOF.

Photo of the Physical Robot

Robust Stability of Stochastic Genetic Regulatory Networks with Disturbance Attenuation
Wei Feng, Simon X. Yang, Wei Fu and Haxia Wu
College of Automation, Chongqing University Chongqing, China

- We have dealt with the robust asymptotical stability of the stochastic GRNs with disturbance attenuation.
- By using the Lyapunov method approach, sufficient stability conditions are derived to guarantee robust asymptotical stability of the stochastic GRNs.
- One example has also been used to demonstrate the usefulness of the main results.
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Guan Liu, Ryerson University
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FA-1(1) 10:30–10:50
Design of a Compact 5-DOF Surgical Robot of a Spherical Mechanism: CURES
Sung-Kyun Kim, Won-Ho Shin, Seong-Young Ko, Jonathan Kim, and Dong-Soo Kwon
Telebiotics and Control Laboratory, KAIST
Daejeon, Korea
• Compact surgical robot design procedure based on requirement specification and experimental evaluation
• Workspace / force requirement for minimally invasive surgery
• 5-DOF spherical mechanism with workspace maximization
• Maximum torque simulation and Grasper operating force experiment
• Wire-driven mechanism minimization

FA-1(2) 10:50–11:10
Testbed for Testing an Active Body Support System for Locomotion Training
Ou Ma, Andres Hernandez, Jianxun Liang, and Robert Paz
New Mexico State University

FA-1(3) 11:10–11:30
Experiment Study on Bonding Tool of Thermosonic Transducer for Flip-Chip Bonding
Yi-Cheng Huang, Kun-Yang Li and Chi-Hui Chen
Department of Mechatronics Engineering
National Changhua University of Education

The thermosonic bonding parameters on LEDs involve different bonding temperatures different bonding force, different bonding time and different ultrasonic power. Improving the efficiency of ultrasonic bonding and reducing the cost play an important role in the bonding process. However, the place of the tool on the transducer has affected transducer work efficiency.

FA-1(4) 11:30–11:50
A Battery State of Charge Estimation Method using Extended Kalman Filter
Fei Zhang1,3, Guangjun Liu2, Lijin Fang1
1 State Key Lab of Robotics, Shenyang Institute of Automation, CAS, China
2 Department of Aerospace Engineering, Ryerson University, Canada
3 Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
• The relationship between battery OCV and SOC is assumed to be piecewisely linear and vary with the ambient temperature.
• The EKF is applied to estimate SOC directly for a lithium battery pack.
• Experimental results show that the proposed method is effective.

FA-1(5) 11:50–12:10
Research on the Authentication Strategy of ASP Mode-based Networked Manufacturing System
Wenlan Ying, Aiping Li and Liyun Xu
Institute of Advanced Manufacturing Technology
Tongji University, Shanghai, China
• Logon Request: C-->S
• Challenge: S-->C: IDS||{(TS||RS||IDC)||ESS [Hash(TS||RS||IDS)]}
• Response: C-->S: IDC||{(TS||RS||IDS)||ESC [Hash(TS||RS||IDS)]}
• Result Feedback: S-->C

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FA-2: Humanoid Robots I

Session Chairs: Qiang Huang, Beijing Institute of Technology
Juan Cortes, LAAS-CNRS, Universite de Toulouse

Room 2: Cannes 10:30-12:10, Friday, 4 July 2008

FA-2(1) 10:30–10:50

Computer Control System and Walking Pattern Control for a Humanoid
Zhangguo YU1, 2, Qiang HUANG1, Jianli LI1, Xuechao CHEN1, and Kejie LI1
1 School of Aerospace Science and Technology, Beijing Institute of Technology, Beijing, China
2 School of Information Engineering, Southwest University of Science and Technology, China

- Present a distributed control system based on CAN bus and Ethernet to meet the requirement of large quantities of data and real-time motion control.
- Adopt two operating systems: Windows and RT-Linux.
- Implement the hardware and software of coordinated motion control computer and joint controllers.
- Provide walking experiments.

FA-2(2) 10:50–11:10

Humanoid Robot Motion Generation for Nailing Task
T. Tsujita, A. Konno, S. Komizunai, Y. Nomura, T. Owa, T. Miyajin, Y. Ayaz and M. Uchiyama
Department of Aerospace Engineering, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan

- In order to exert a large force on the environment, it is effective to apply impulsive force.
- A nailing task is taken as an example of “impact motion” and experiments are carried out using a humanoid robot HRP-2.
- This paper proposes a way to generate impact motions for humanoid robots to exert a large force and a feedback control method for this application.

FA-2(3) 11:10–11:30

Consideration of a Human Dynamic Characteristic and Performance Evaluation of an Electric Active Suspension
Shuuichi Buma, Hidenori Kajino and Tsunenori Takahashi, Shun’ichi Doi
TOYOTA MOTOR CORPORATION and University of Kagawa, Japan

- The electric active suspension accomplishes two objectives: ride quality and inertial input control.
- When the roll angle is large, the head correction behavior is also large.

FA-2(4) 11:30–11:50

The Architecture and Body of FUWA Developmental Humanoid
Wenqiang Zhang, Long Lu, JuyangWeng, Xiangyang Xue, and Rui Zhang
Fudan University

- Whole body motion planner consists of several partial motion planners for trunk, arms, and legs.
- Each partial motion is controlled with low degrees of freedom using inverse-kinematics.
- A gradient descent method is used for the partial motion planner.

FA-2(5) 11:50–12:10

Motion Separating Based Whole Body Motion Planning For Humanoid Robots Using a Gradient Descent Method
Hwan-Joo Keak and Gwi-Tae Park
Intelligent System Research Laboratory, Korea University, Seoul, Korea

- Whole body motion planner consists of several partial motion planners for trunk, arms, and legs.
- Each partial motion is controlled with low degrees of freedom using inverse-kinematics.
- A gradient descent method is used for the partial motion planner.
**FA-3: Hands/Fingers**

**Session Chairs:** Yisheng Guan, South China University of Technology
Yasuhsa Hirata, Tohoku University

**Room 3: Dijon 10:30-12:10, Friday, 4 July 2008**

**FA-3(1) 10:30-10:50**

**On-line Motion-Feedforward Pose Recognition Invariant for Dynamic Hand-eye motion**

Wei Song and Mamoru Minami
Faculty of Engineering, University of Fukui
Fukui, Japan

- This paper presents a pose measurement method of a 3D object detected by hand-eye cameras.
- We propose a motion-feedforward (MFF) method to improve visual recognition dynamics, which become worse by disturbing hand-eye motion during visual servoing of the robot manipulator.
- The effectiveness of the proposed method is confirmed by experiments of object's 3D pose recognition being affected by dynamical oscillations of hand-eye cameras.

**FA-3(2) 10:50-11:10**

**Automatic Optimal Grasp Planning Based On Found Contact Points**

Zhixing Xue, J. Marius Zoellner and Ruediger Dillmann
Forschungszentrum Informatik
Karlsruhe, Germany

- Initial grasp is found by combining hand preshapes and approach directions.
- All the contact points between the fingers and the object are found efficiently.
- Based on the found contact points, the initial grasp with local optimal grasp quality and optimal forces for the grasp could be established.
- Experiment of building up a toy cup tower shows the feasibility of our method.

**FA-3(3) 11:10-11:30**

**Workspace Generation of 2-D Multifingered Manipulation under Consideration of All Constraints in the Grasp**

Yisheng Guan1, Xiaomin Zhang1 and Hong Zhang1,2

1School of Mechanical Eng., South China Univ. of Tech., University of Alberta, Canada

- A numerical approach and algorithm are proposed for the workspace of multifingered hands grasping object.
- Hand kinematics, object geometry, grasp types and force constraints are taken into account.
- By optimization technique and based on grasp feasibility analysis, optimization models are formulated.
- An example is given and the workspace is visualized in a 3-D frame.

**FA-3(4) 11:30-11:50**

**Kinematics of transformable track**

(Y variable shapes single-tracked of a belt type wheel mechanism)

- The location of $P$ (rotation center point) is $P_1 = (l \cdot \cos \theta, l \cdot \sin \theta)$
- The center point of short side wheel is $P_s = \left( \frac{s \cdot \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \alpha \right)}{2}, \frac{\cos \alpha}{2} \cdot \sin \alpha \right)$
- The center point of long side wheel is $P_l = \left( \frac{h \cdot \sin \alpha}{2}, h \cdot \cos \alpha + l \cdot \sin \theta \right)$

**FA-3(5) 11:50-12:10**

**Development of A Passive Type Dance Partner Robot**

Zhao Liu *, Yoshinori Koke *, Takahiro Takezaki *, Yasuhsa Hirata *, Ken Chen *, and Kazuhiro Kosuge *

* Department of Bioengineering and Robotics, Tohoku University, Japan
* Department of Precision Instruments and Mechnanology, Tsinghua University, China

- PDR (Passive Dance Robot) can realize ballet dances in cooperation with a human.
- PDR is developed based on the concept of passive robotics to guarantee higher level of safety.
- The locations of the wheels are determined by analyzing the trajectories of the male dancer's feet.
- The dynamic manipulability is utilized to determine the best orientations of the wheels.
Friction Modelling Based on Support Vector Regression Machines and Genetic Algorithms

Jin-zhu Zhou, Jin Huang, Jing Zhou and Hua-ping Li
Research Institute of Mechatronics, Xidian University, Xi’an, China

- Data sets for friction modelling are obtained and preprocessed.
- Three optimization formulations based GA are proposed to select the parameters, and some comparisons using the polynomial kernel and RBF kernel are carried out.
- Friction modelling tool based on SVRM and GA is developed.
- According to comparison results, the friction model is obtained.

The Procedure of GA-SVRM Friction Model

Applications of Evolutionary Programming in Markov Random Field to IR Image Segmentation

Xiaodong Lu, Jun Zhou
College of Astronautics, Northwestern Polytechnical University, Shaanxi, China

- Image segmentation based on Markov Random Field with Evolutionary Programming for machine vision.
- Introduce the neighborhood interaction rules of under MRF model.
- The definitions of evolutionary rules and fitness value for individuals in MRF.
- The improved algorithm could accelerate the optimizing velocity and restrain the relative blur noise.

The noise image and the result image

Fuzzy Decision Method of Part Family Based on Similarity Measures between Vague Sets in FMS

Fuzhong Wu
Shaoxing College of Arts and Sciences, Shaoxing, China

- The fuzzy choice method of part families in FMS is described.
- The similarity measures method between vague sets is employed to choose part families.
- The validity and reasonability are shown by an example

A novel method for design cases indexing and retrieval

ZHANG Xu-tang, HOU Xin, and JIN Tian-guo
School of Mechatronics, Harbin Institute of Technology, Heilongjiang, China

- The similarity between 3D models of parts is measured by shape distribution method.
- Fuzzy C-means clustering algorithm is applied to classify products 3D models.
- The vector space model is used to represent the product case.

framework of product design based on cases retrieval

A Fast Billet Location Algorithm using Particle Swarm Optimization

Wei Chen and Kangling Fang
School of Information Science and Engineering, Wuhan University of Science and Technology, Hubei, China

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FA-5(1) 10:30-10:50
Stability Analysis for Time Delay TLP Systems
C.W. Chen and C.Y. Chen
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Department of Management Information System, Yung-Ta Institute of Technology and Commerce

- The nonlinear TLP system is modeled by T-S type fuzzy model.
- We design a nonlinear fuzzy controller by Parallel Distributed Compensation.
- A sufficient stability condition is derived in terms of Lyapunov theory and this control problem is reformulated into solving linear matrix inequalities (LMI) problem.

FA-5(2) 10:50-11:10
Active Flatness Control of Space Membrane Structures Using Discrete Boundary SMA Actuators
Xiaoyun Wang, Wanping Zheng, Yan-Ru Hu
Canadian Space Agency, 6767 route de l’aéroport, St.-Hubert, QC, J3Y 8Y9, Canada

- Membrane structures may be used to build large space structures at reduced cost.
- Active flatness control is a vital technology to provide accuracy for precision applications.
- Membrane topology is designed to have tension evenly distributed.
- SMA actuators can control membrane flatness effectively.

FA-5(3) 11:10-11:30
Visual Feedback Control of an Overhead Crane and Its Combination with Time-Optimal Control
Yasuo Yoshida and Haruhisa Tabata
Department of Mechanical Engineering, Chubu University

- Control of hoisting overhead crane is possible by visual feedback using 3D-camera with variable control gains.
- Combination control of the time-optimal feedforward for transportation and the visual feedback for swing suppression is practical for crane with various swing natural period.
- Installed location of a marker gives the combination control little influences.

FA-5(4) 11:30-11:50
Arm Trajectory Planning by Controlling the Direction of End-point Position Error Caused by Disturbance
Tasuku YAMAWAKI, and Masahito YASHIMA
Dept. of Mechanical Systems Engineering, National Defense Academy of Japan, Kanagawa, Japan

- The present paper focuses on the generation “direction” of the end-point position error.
- We propose the technique to control the generation “direction” to the tangential direction of the target path as shown in the figure.
- We experimentally reveal that the proposed technique is very effective approach for robotic arms to achieve high robustness against a disturbance.

FA-5(5) 11:50-12:10
Research into the intelligent control of the cutter head drive system in Shield tunnelling machine based on the pattern recognition
Xing Tong, Gong Guofang and Yang Huayong
State Key Laboratory of Fluid Power Transmission and Control, Zhejiang University

- Test rig system
- Earth layer recognition method based on the statistical classification.
- Evaluation on the cutter head drive power.
- Intelligent control method to the speed of cutter head.

The shield machine test rig
FP-1: Aerospace Applications
Session Chairs: Takashi Kubota, JAXA
Panfeng Huang, Northwestern Polytechnical University
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FP-1(1) 14:00-14:20
Intelligent Micro Probe Robot for Small Body Exploration
Takashi Kubota and Tetsuo Yoshimitsu
ISAS, JAXA, Japan
- In-situ surface exploration of small body by micro probe robot
- New mobility system for micro probe robot
- Autonomous system for micro probe robot
- Flight data of the micro probe robot, MINERVA in MUSES-C missions

FP-1(2) 14:20-14:40
Modeling and Coupling Effects Analysis of a High-speed Aircraft
Dongzhu Feng, Xin Wang
1. School of electronic engineering, Xidian University, Xi'an, China
- The objective of this paper is to accomplish the modeling and coupling effect analysis of a high-speed aircraft.
- The model of High-speed aircraft (hypersonic waverider) has been assumed.
- The description of forces and moments system models is included.
- The analysis and policies of decoupling are put forward.

FP-1(3) 14:40-15:00
Advanced Configuration Generation Technique for the Complex Aircraft Geometry
Abdulaziz Irgashevich Azamatov, Jae-Woo Lee, Yung-Hwan Byun and Sang-Ho Kim
Department of Aerospace Information Engineering, Konkuk University, Seoul, Korea
- Proposed algorithm is effective for creation of various complex shapes
- Less design variables, time and expenses …
- Easy to implement in CAD (CATIA, NX, SolidWorks, etc.).
- Accuracy is advantage of this method

FP-1(4) 15:00-15:20
Error Analysis of Rib Curves Based on Measured Data of Airfoil-wainscot
Xiaoqiang Wang, Zhuangde Jiang and Bing Li
Institute of Precision Engineering, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Xi'an, China
- The characteristics of accuracy control of large-scale airfoil-wainscot parts are analysed.
- The method of compensating the radius of measuring probe is presented also based on measured data from 1D scanning probe.
- Aiming at the inspection requirement of the measured part and the characteristics of rib curves, the algorithms of curve optimized matching and error analysis are proposed.
- The experimental results show that the proposed methods can meet the accuracy requirement of online in-situ inspection of airfoil-wainscot parts.

FP-1(5) 15:20-15:40
Trajectory Planning for Hypersonic Vehicle Using Improved Sparse A* Algorithm
Zhongjie Meng, Panfeng Huang, and Jie Yan
College of Astronautics, Northwestern Polytechnical University, Xi'an, China
- The characteristics of trajectory planning for hypersonic vehicle are analyzed in the paper.
- The model of the threat field and constraints are deduced.
- The planning flow and an improved Sparse A* algorithm with variable step (SAVA) are designed for the planning.
- The method has a high speed and a strong stability. The planned trajectory can satisfy all the flight demands.
FP-2: Humanoid Robots II
Session Chairs: Qiang Huang, Beijing Institute of Technology
Shumei Yu, SIÅ, Chinese Academy of Sciences
Room 2: Cannes 14:00-15:40, Friday, 4 July 2008

FP-2(1) 14:00–14:20
Study of Skating Robot
Takahiro Shibata, Kazuo Sato, Yoshizumi Takeshita, Masami Ikawa, Shoshibo Hatakeyama
Research Laboratory for Computers and Systems Engineering
Tokyo Denki University, Saitama, Japan

Walking movement in humanoid robots are needed moving on undulation plane. But energy loss by friction at grounding and changing fictitious force into thrust force are difficult. It is inefficient. Then, due to make a leg into a blade, its bearing area is reduced, and we consider a robot that realize efficient move by sliding on plane surface. In this research, we perform proposal of mechanics to realize robot like this, deriving of the dynamic equation and designing control system, and we aim to development a real system.

The Skating Robot

FP-2(2) 14:20–14:40
Hardware Implementation of a Neural Network Controller on FPGA for a Humanoid Robot Arm
J. S. Kim and S. Jung
Intelligent Systems and Emotional Engineering Laboratory,
Chungnam National University, Daejeon, Korea

• Control hardware for the ROBOKER is designed.
• The Radial Basis Function neural network is implemented on a FPGA chip for on-line learning and control.
• The back-propagation algorithm for the RBF network is developed.
• Experimental studies of controlling the robot arm are conducted.

The ROBOKER

FP-2(3) 14:40–15:00
Hand Posture Extraction for Object Manipulation of a Humanoid Robot
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Hand posture extraction is important for object manipulation of a humanoid robot. This paper focuses on the problem of hand posture extraction for object manipulation of human robot HHR-2, and proposes a novel method based on blue mark to get the hand posture. Based on the attached marks, the hand is identified and segmented using a method based on multiple visual cues integration. The world coordinates of these feature points and the postures of the hand are. The effectiveness of the proposed method has been illustrated by the experimental results.

The grasp process of HHR-2

FP-2(4) 15:00–15:20
A Natural Language Instruction System for Humanoid Robots Integrating Situated Speech Recognition, Visual Recognition and On-line Whole-Body Motion Generation
Ee Sian Neo, Takeshi Sakaguchi and Kazuhito Yokoi
National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Japan

• We propose an integrated on-line operation system that enables a human user to operate humanoid robots by using natural language instructions.
• The proposed system is able to response to the direction of the sound source and trigger behaviors according to speech commands, by recognizing objects, triggering actions and generating whole body motions on-line.

Speech Recognition Module
Stereo Vision System
8-channel Microphone Array
HRP-2 Performing Tasks Using Whole-Body Motion

FP-2(5) 15:20–15:40
Analysis of Helical Gait of a Snake-like Robot
Shumei Yu1, Shugen Ma2, Bin Li2, Yuechao Wang1
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• Mechanism and control system of the SIA snake-like robot.
• Snake-like robot’s gaits in the experiments.
• Education of the snake-like robot’s configuration under helical gait.
• Experimental study of the helical gait.

The SIA Snake-like Robot

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FP-3: Multi-Agents/Robots
Session Chairs: Guohui Tian, Shandong University
Songmin Jia, University of Electro-Communications
Room 3: Dijon 14:00-15:40, Friday, 4 July 2008

FP-3(1) 14:00-14:20
Programming a multi-agent system with MASL
Dominique Duhaut, Yann Le Guyadec, Michel Dubois
Valoria
Université de Bretagne Sud
Lorient Vannes, Morbihan, France

We give a formal definition of a general language:
MASL (multi-agent system language),
to express six properties:
• Heterogeneous agents,
• Parallelism synchronous asynchronous,
• Communication variables, events,
• Dynamic integration of agent
• Message passing synchronous asynchronous
• Permeability dynamic

FP-3(2) 14:20-14:40
Communication Bandwidth Allocation
for Decentralized Receding Horizon
Control of Multiple Vehicles
Hojjat Izadi, Brandon W. Gordon, and Camille A. Rabbath
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• Cooperative Control
• Decentralized Control
• Receding Horizon Control (Model
Predictive Control)
• Communication Delay
• Communication Bandwidth Allocation

Error vs Mismatch

FP-3(3) 14:40-15:00
The Structure of Personality-Based Emotional
Decision Making in Robotic Rescue Agent
Naser Ghasem Aghaei, Hamed Shahbazi, Pedram Farzaneh, Abbas Abdolmaleki
Ali Khorsandian
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• One of the most important factors which can affect decision making in a disaster environment is the structure of the agent’s personality.
• we will introduce a new structure for decision making in emergency situations, which is based on emotional intelligence of the human being’s mind.
• This new decision making model has been tested on a typical disaster space called Robocup Rescue Simulation.

FP-3(4) 15:00-15:20
Multi-robot Collaboration Exploration
Based on Immune Network Model
Hao Wu, Guohui Tian, Bin Huang
School of Control Science and Engineering, Shandong University
Jinan, China

• Introduction
• Immune network model used to coordinate multi-robots
• Distributed robots exploration algorithm based on immune network model
• The flow of exploration strategy
• Simulation

The framework of AIS

FP-3(5) 15:20-15:40
Human Recognition Using RFID with Multi-Antenna
Songmin Jia, Jinshao Shang and Kunikatsu Takase
University of Electro-Communications
1-5-1 Chofugaoka, Chofu-City, Tokyo 182-8585, Japan

This paper proposed a method of human recognition for service mobile robot using RFID with multi-antenna and stereo vision.
The developed system used Bayes rule to calculate probability where the ID tag exists and determined ROI for stereo camera processing. We also developed the human recognition algorithm based on RFID and stereo vision.
This paper introduces the architecture of the proposed method and some experimental results.

The developed mobile robot with multi-antenna RFID

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FP-4: Fuzzy/Neural II
Session Chairs: Jianbo Cao, Xi’an Jiaotong University
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FP-4(1) 14:00-14:20
Regenerative-Braking Sliding Mode Control of Electric Vehicle Based on Neural Network Identification
Jianbo Cao, Binggang Cao, Peng Xu, and Zhifeng Bai
R&D Center of Electric Vehicle, Xi’an Jiaotong University
Xi’an, Shaanxi, China

- Designed the control system of electric vehicle.
- Designed and Applied neural network sliding mode controller (NNSMC) to the regenerative-braking process of electric vehicle.
- The experimental results show that: the control system with NNSMC has better performance and can recover more energy, increase the driving range than the one with traditional SMC.

FP-4(2) 14:20-14:40
Prediction Servoing to Catch Escaping Fish Using Neural Network
Mamoru Minami and Toshiaki Yoshida
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- This paper presents a method to predict a fish motion by Neural Network (N.N.) with on-line learning when a robot is pursuing fish-catching by a net at hand through hand-eye robot visual servoing.
- To overcome the fish’s escaping strategy, which is to make a steady state distance error between the net at robot’s hand and the fish, we propose prediction servoing utilizing estimated future fish position by on-line adjusting N.N.
- The effectiveness have been proven through visual servoing and fish catching experiments.

FP-4(3) 14:40-15:00
Recognition of Wood Defects Based on Artificial Neural Network
Hongbo Mu, Dawei Qi
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- X-ray is adopted as a measure method for log nondestructive testing.
- Applying MATLAB and VC++ image processing program to process the image of log with defects and extract the characters of the image.
- The mathematic model of defects recognition is established according to characteristic parameters.
- Back propagating networks is constructed.

FP-4(4) 15:00-15:20
A Modified Particle Swarm Optimizer Based on Cloud Model
Jianping Wen, Binggang Cao
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Xi’an, China

- This paper introduces cloud model theory to the standard PSO to improve the global search ability and make a faster convergence speed of the algorithm.
- Cloud model:
  - input: \( E_x, E_y, H_x, N \).
  - output: cloud drops.
- The modified PSO:
  - Initialize the particle swarm using cloud model.
  - update inertia weight using cloud model.
  - update \( r_1, r_2 \) using cloud model.
- Simulation.

FP-4(5) 15:20-15:40
Predictive Trajectory Planning of Vectored Thruster Underwater Vehicle with the Use of the Neuron Network
Vladimir Filaretov, and Dmitry Yukhimets
Institute for Automation and Control Processes FEB RAS
FP-5: Control Technology II
Session Chairs: Wei Wang, Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology
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FP-5(1)  14:00–14:20
Variable Structure System with the Adaptive Adjustment of Sliding Surfaces
Alexander Lebedev and Vladimir Filaretov
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• The multi-channel adaptive VSS for the centralized control of mechatronic objects is developed.
• The conditions of stable sliding mode existence and the new law of adaptive tuning of sliding surfaces are obtained and proved.
• The high control quality and the maximal fast-action of the system are provided.

The block diagram of multi-channel adaptive variable structure system

FP-5(2)  14:20–14:40
Design and Control of an Inverted Pendulum System for Intelligent Mechatronics System Control Education
G. H. Lee and S. Jung
Intelligent Systems and Emotional Engineering Laboratory, Chungnam National University, Daejeon, Korea

• A mechatronics system for intelligent control education is designed.
• The neuro-fuzzy control algorithm is used to control the inverted pendulum system.
• Control algorithm is embedded on a DSP chip.
• Experimental studies are conducted.

The educational kit

FP-5(3)  14:40–15:00
Design and Implementation of an Automatic Weighing System Based on CAN Bus
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Xi’an, China, 710049

This paper presents a design method and its implementation of an automatic weighing system based on CAN Bus in process control of industry.
➢ The general situation of fieldbus and advantages of CAN bus are introduced.
➢ The mechanical configuration of a glass weighing system is designed and the interface circuits of its control system based on CAN bus network is implemented.
➢ The software design of the control system is introduced and applied into the real system.
➢ The efficiency and reliability of the system design is proved by the running result of the industrial system.

FP-5(4)  15:00–15:20
Placement process optimization of dual-gantry turret placement machine
Xuan DU, Zongbin LI
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• The placement process optimization of dual-gantry multi-head placement machine is decomposed to component allocation, component placement sequence and feeder arrangement.
• A two-dimensional piece-wise coding method is proposed to describe the three sub-problems in a chromosome simultaneously.
• An improved hybrid GA is used to optimize the placement process and improve the assembly efficiency.

Diagram of dual-gantry multi-head gantry turret machine structure
FE-1: Advanced Control

Session Chairs: Peter X. Liu, Carleton University
Lilong Cai, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
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FE-1(1) 16:00-16:20
An Improved Constrained Robust Model Predictive Control Algorithm for Linear Systems with Polytopic Uncertainty
Zhijun Li, Yuntao Shi, Dehui Sun, Lifeng Wang
Department of Automation
North China University of Technology, Beijing

1. Introduction
2. Problem Statement
3. Main Results
4. Simulation Examples
5. Conclusion

FE-1(2) 16:20-16:40
Non-Linear Multiobjective Optimization for Control of Hydropower Plants Network
S. Ali A. Moosavian, A. Ghafari, A. Salimi, N. Abdi
Department of Mechanical Engineering, K. N. Toosi Univ. of Technology, Iran

- A non-linear multiobjective optimization model is developed to obtain optimal annual scheduling for control of power generation in serial or parallel hydropower plants.
- Weighted-sum method is used to convert multiobjective optimization to single objective problem.
- Maximization of power generation benefits and minimization of specific water consumption are assumed as objective functions.

FE-1(3) 16:40-17:00
Optimal Control of an Aerial Robot
Payam Zarafshan, S. Bamdad Moosavian, S. Ali A. Moosavian, and Mohsen Bahrami
Department of Mechanical Engineering, K. N. Toosi Univ. of Technology, Iran

- The design procedure of a proposed optimal controller for an Aerial Robot or Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) is studied to perform a specific manoeuvre.
- The manoeuvre is defined as speeding on the runway, taking off, cruising, turning back to the airport, landing and braking on the runway.
- The two sets of longitudinal and lateral equations are simulated simultaneously and the considered UAV is studied as a 6 DOF system for performing mentioned manoeuvre.

FE-1(4) 17:00-17:20
Learning-based Modified Transpose Jacobian Control of Robotic Manipulators
Mahmood Karimi, S. Ali A. Moosavian
Department of Mechanical Engineering, K. N. Toosi Univ. of Technology, Iran

- The Modified Transpose Jacobian (MTJ) algorithm, based on an approximated feedback linearization approach, does not need to a priori knowledge of the plant dynamics.
- In this paper, the MTJ control scheme is integrated into a learning procedure; such that the trajectory tracking converges very fast and the bettering performance is achieved after a few iterations.

Tracking errors in the presence of repetitive disturbances:
(Top) MTJ, (Down Left) LMTJ 2nd trial, (Down Right) LMTJ 4th trial

Performance of the optimal controller for the linear and nonlinear models in landing manoeuvre.
FE-2: Precision Mechatronics
Session Chairs: Aiguo Ming, University of Electro-Communications
Zhi-Dong Wang, Chiba University of Technology
Room 2: Cannes 16:00-17:40, Friday, 4 July 2008

FE-2(1) 16:00–16:20
Minimization of Energy Dissipated in a Ball Screw-nut with All Kinds of Friction
Teruyuki Izumi, Zuowei Li, Hai Zhou and Masashi Kanesaka
Dept. Electronic and Control Systems Eng. Shimane University
Matsue, Japan
- In a position control, minimization of the total dissipated energy has been investigated.
- The rolling friction is represented by the forward and backward efficiencies of the ball screw-nut.
- An optimal velocity can be solved by introducing a zero crossing time.
- The dissipated energy can be reduced by applying the optimal velocity function and selecting the optimal lead.

FE-2(2) 16:20–16:40
Water Hydraulics – A Novel Design of Spool-type Valves for Enhanced Dynamic Performance
Y.S. Yang, C. Semini, N.G. Tsagarakis, D.G. Caldwell
Italian Institute of Technology (IIT), Italy
Yuquan Zhu
Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China
- A novel spool-type valve for water hydraulic actuation systems was designed
- Flow field inside valves and effects of geometries, openings, and inlet/outlet condition on efflux angle were investigated numerically
- Anti-cavitation ability and effect of cavitation on efflux angle were studied

FE-2(3) 16:40–17:00
Linguistic Mechatronics
Robin Chhabra, M. Reza Emami
University of Toronto Institute for Aerospace Studies
Toronto, Canada
- Linguistic Mechatronics (LM) is a systematic design methodology for mechatronic systems that formalizes subjective notions of design.
- LM also simplifies the optimization process in the hope of better communication between different disciplines and considering numerous design variables concurrently.
- LM redefines the ultimate goal of design based on the qualitative notions of wish and must satisfactions.
- LM formalizes designer’s subjective attitude and adjusts it based on the reality of system performance.

FE-2(4) 17:00–17:20
The High Precision-Measurement System of Gyro Rotor’s Surface
Jianfeng Liu, Yong Jiang and Chuanhong Ding
The Second academy of china aerospace science & industry corporation(CASIC)
beijing, China
- The relations between the output voltage of the differential capacitance sensor and the change of the surface of a rotor are chiefly researched, and a distributing chart is obtained.
- We use the data to do some possibility analysis, error analysis and compensation.
- We get some useful parameters which can predict some dynamic properties of the rotor.

FE-2(5) 17:20–17:40
Measurement of Muscle Motion for Improving Accuracy of Body-mounted Motion Sensor
Tao Liu, Yoshio Inoue, and Kyoko Shibata
Kochi University of Technology, Japan
- Measure joint angle using a combination of 3D accelerometers and reaction force sensors.
- The effect of skin artefact was minimized based on the estimation of muscle motion measured using a new reaction force sensor banded with human body segment.
- The force sensor was designed using pressure sensitive electric conductive rubber (PSECR).
**FE-3: Industrial Robots**

Session Chairs: Yunhui Liu, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Huosheng Hu, University of Essex

Room 3: Dijon 16:00-17:40, Friday, 4 July 2008

**FE-3(1) 16:00–16:20**

*Estimation of Abnormalities in a Human Gait Using Sensor-Embedded Shoes*

Kyoungchul Kong and Masayoshi Tomizuka
Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, USA

- In this paper, a new method for estimating abnormalities in the gait phases is proposed.
- The proposed method detects two major abnormalities: 1) when the sensors measure improper foot pressure patterns, and 2) when the human does not follow a natural sequence of gait phases.
- For mathematical realization of the algorithm, a vector analysis method is applied.

**FE-3(2) 16:20–16:40**

*Modified Transpose Effective Jacobian Control of Underactuated Manipulators*

Mahmood Karimi and S. Ali A. Moosavian
Department of Mechanical Engineering, K. N. Toosi Univ. of Technology, Iran

- The Modified Transpose Jacobian (MTJ) algorithm, based on an approximated feedback linearization approach, does not need to a priori knowledge of the plant dynamics. In this paper, this scheme is extended to the control problem of underactuated robots in Cartesian space.
- The MTEJ control law employs stored data of the control command in the previous time step, as a learning tool, to yield an improved performance.

**FE-3(3) 16:40–17:00**

*Design and Hydrodynamic Modeling of A Lake Surface Cleaning Robot*

Zhongli Wang, Yunhui Liu, Ho Wai Yip, Biao Peng, Shuyuan Qiao, and Shi
Network Sensor and Robot Laboratory, Mechanical and Automation Eng., The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China

- A robot for cleaning rubbish floating on the surface of a lake is designed.
- A 3 DOF hydrodynamic model of the robot is developed.
- CFD-based numerical simulations on viscous resistance have been conducted.

**FE-3(4) 17:00–17:20**

*Mobility and Agility Analysis of Walking Robot*

Jihong Lee, Hyungsun Shim, and Doogyu Kim
BK21 Mechatronics Group, Chungnam National University
Daejeon, Korea

- **Joint Torque Bounds**
  \[
  \tau_{\text{max}} \leq \tau \leq \tau_{\text{min}}
  \]

- **Constraint Equation**
  \[
  \alpha \tau \leq \beta
  \]

- **Constrained Torques**
  \[
  \tau_{\text{min}} \leq \tau \leq \tau_{\text{max}}
  \]

- **Dynamic Equation**
  \[
  \ddot{u} = A\tau + b
  \]

- **Acceleration Boundary**
  \[
  \ddot{u}_{b}
  \]

**FE-3(5) 17:20–17:40**

*Lux - An Interactive Receptionist Robot for University Open Days*

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- Lux is an interactive service robot that provides information during university open days.
- It uses sensor fusion to track people and recognize members of staff.
- The interaction is multimodal, including touch-screen, speech, facial expressions.
- Experiments have been conducted in both laboratory and real public events.
FE-4: Fuzzy/Neural III

Session Chairs: Dong Sun, City University of Hong Kong
Yongmin Zhong, Monash University, Australia

Room 4: Avignon 16:00-17:40, Friday, 4 July 2008

FE-4(1) 16:00-16:20

A New Neural Network for Robot Path Planning

Yongmin Zhong, Bijan Shirinzadeh and Yanling Tian
Robotics & Mechatronics Research Laboratory, Monash University, Australia

- An improved Hopfield-type neural network model is established for propagating the target activity among neurons;
- Elegant properties of harmonic functions are incorporated in the neural system for real-time path generation in both static and dynamic environments.

Path generation for tracking a moving target with avoidance of moving obstacles

FE-4(2) 16:20-16:40

Rule-fused Technology for Typical Processes Representation and Automatic Process Decision

Lijiang Huang, Shunuan Liu, Yan Tian and Hsiang Yang
Institute of CAPP & Manufacturing Engineering Software, Northwestern Polytechnical University, Xi’an, China

- A rule-fused technology for typical processes representation and automatic process decision
- The presentation of rule-fused typical process
- The classification of production rules based on manufacturing features
- Automatic process making-decision based on rule-fused typical process

The rule-fused process decision flow

FE-4(3) 16:40-17:00

A Modified Differential Evolution Algorithm and Its Application in the Training of BP Neural Network

Yuelin Gao, School of Information & Computation Science
Junmin Liu, School of Mathematics & Computer Science

FE-4(4) 17:00-17:20

Orientation Correction Based Monocular SLAM for a Mobile Robot

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²City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
³University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, China

- Develop a new algorithm for SLAM that uses a PTZ-camera for visual observation of natural landmarks
- Propose a new Divided JCBB algorithm to quickly address the visual data association problem without bounding the number of image features.
- Propose an orientation correction method to well address the difficult SLAM orientation problem.

The Pioneer Robot

FE-4(5) 17:20-17:40

Controller Parameter Tuning Based on Neural Network Gradient

Masanori Sato, Akihito Kanda, and Kazuo Ishii
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- The wheeled mobile robot for rough terrain is developed.
- A neural network is introduced for adjustable controller for a mobile robot.
- A controller parameter tuning method using hyperplane gradient of adjusted neural network controller is proposed.
- The proposed method shows better performance than well-tuned PID controller, and almost same performance as adjusted neural network controller.

Controller Parameter Tuning
FE-5: Control Technology III
Session Chairs: Xutao Luo, Northwestern Polytechnical University
Denis Gillet, EPFL-LA
Room 5: Marseilles 16:00-17:40, Friday, 4 July 2008

FE-5(1) 16:00–16:20
Control of Bulk Modulus of Oil in Hydraulic Systems
Jing Wang, Guofang Gong and Huayong Yang
State Key Laboratory of Fluid Power Transmission and Control, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China
• A method of online vacuum degassing in a sealed system has been used to increase bulk modulus of oil.
• A device has been developed to measure bulk modulus of oil online.
• Experimental results show that bulk modulus of oil can be controlled in a real system.

FE-5(2) 16:20–16:40
A Self-Adaptive Control Approach for the Attitude of Aerocraft with Double-Loop SMC
Luo Xutao, Liang Xiaogeng

FE-5(3) 16:40–17:00
Hierarchical Modeling Control of A Motorcycle Semi-Active Suspension with Six Degree-Freedoms
Wu Long, Cao Yunlu, and Chen Hualing
Department of Physics and Electromechanical Engineering, Sanming University, Sanming, China
• Construct a different motorcycle model compared to traditional model.
• The whole control framework is composed of a center control, two local controls and two uncontrollable parts.
• The method has less CPU time to depress response lag and improve ride quality.

FE-5(4) 17:00–17:20
FPGA-Based Motion Controller with Real-time Look-Ahead Function
Ming-Tzong Lin
MDE, National Formosa University, Yunlin, Taiwan, R.O.C.
Hong-Tzong Yau, Hao-Wei Nien, and Meng-Shiun Tsai
ME, National Chung Cheng University, Chia-Yi, Taiwan, R.O.C.
• PC-FPGA control architecture.
• Two-stage interpolation scheme: 1st-stage interpolation in PC, 2nd-stage interpolation in FPGA.
• Trajectory planning via PC real-time look-ahead function.
• NURBS interpolation via FPGA high-speed parallel computing.

FE-5(5) 17:20–17:40
A Novel Router Level Topology Discovery Algorithm
ZhAO Hong-Hua, CHEN Ming, Song Li-Hua, and BAI Hua-li
PLA Univ. Sci.&Tech., Nanjing, China
• The characteristics of alias relation was concluded.
• Three Propositions was proposed when dealing with alias.
• In order to discovery router level topology efficiently the algorithm of alias filter and alias validate were put forward.
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