

WearRA Webinar Series - Modeling and Simulation for Wearable Robots



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AnyBody Modeling System

- Simulations of Musculoskeletal systems
 - Multibody kinematic and dynamic analyses
- AnyBody Managed Model Repository
 - Applications
 - Open Body Models
- Special simulation features
 - Man-machine interaction simulation
 - Reaction force prediction
 - Imaging \rightarrow Patient-specific anatomy



Rasmussen et. al. (2011), ORS Annual Meeting



Musculoskeletal Simulation



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Simulation Work flow



Exoskeletons and AnyBody



Human-Exoskeleton example

- "I have a conceptual design of an exoskeleton, how will it affect a human subject?"
 - How to attach an exoskeleton to the human?
 - What are the affected human variables?





Human-Exoskeleton model

- What actuator in exoskeleton?
 - 6 actuators (hip, knee and ankle)
 - 2 different actuators types
 - STR: Strong torque actuator
 - MED: Medium torque actuator
- Interactions between human and exoskeleton
 - Conceptual straps at pelvis, both thighs, both shanks
 - 6 DOFs forces and moments





Human-Exoskeleton model





- Definition of motion
 - Parameterized joint angle definition available
- External forces
 - Prediction of ground reaction forces



Results in Human



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Results in Exoskeleton

Knee Actuator Moment

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Knee Actuator Power



AnyBody Exoskeleton Demo Cases

- Metabolic energy cost evaluation
- Exoskeleton anlaysis using motion capture data
- Human-exoskeleton interaction
- Soft exoskeleton



Metabolic power plays an important role in the design and evaluation of exoskeletons

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Metabolic power criterion for joint level assistance





Metabolic Energy Consumption in a Box-Lifting Task*



* M.S. Shourijeh, M. Jung, M. Damsgaard, Metabolic Energy Consumption in a Box-Lifting Task: A Parametric Study on the Assistive Torque, WeRob 2016



Countermeasure exercise in space



Evaluating the effect of assistive devices on human body using motion capture data



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Active (red) and passive (green) linear actuators in an AnyBody hop simulation





Simulation of an industry exoskeleton during wire winding & sandblasting (<u>www.movaid.eu</u>)





Conceptual design of passive exoskeleton with gravity compensation (www.movaid.eu)





AXO-SUIT project (www.axo-suit.eu)



AnyBody contribution to the exoskeleton projects

AnyBody simulations will:

- Find optimal parameters/variables of exoskeleton
 - Torque
 - Power
 - Kinematics
 - Stiffness
- Comfort/Endurance Analysis
 - Joint loads
 - Muscle activations
 - Metabolics
 - Human/Exo interaction force/pressure

Cho et al. (2012)

Conclusions

- AnyBody can model simulate the exoskeletons during three phases as:
 - Pre-prototyping (optimize key parameters)
 - Post-prototyping evaluation (effect on the human body)
 - Operation (individualized optimization of the adjustments)

Webcasts

- New round of webcasts will start after summer 2016
- Check our YouTube channel ('AnyBody Technology') for previous webcasts

• Events

- IROS 2016 (South Korea)
- WeRob 2016 (Spain)

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Time for questions

