

COS 300

# Movement 04

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Warm up: Draw multi-link  
"robots". Try grounded  
+ ungrounded.



How do they  
"move"?

What does it take to move?



power



actuators



mechanics.



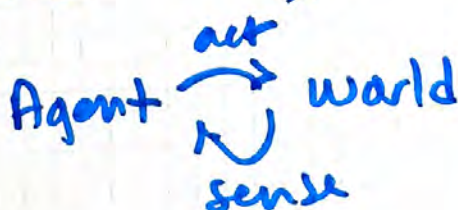
sensor



spindle



control

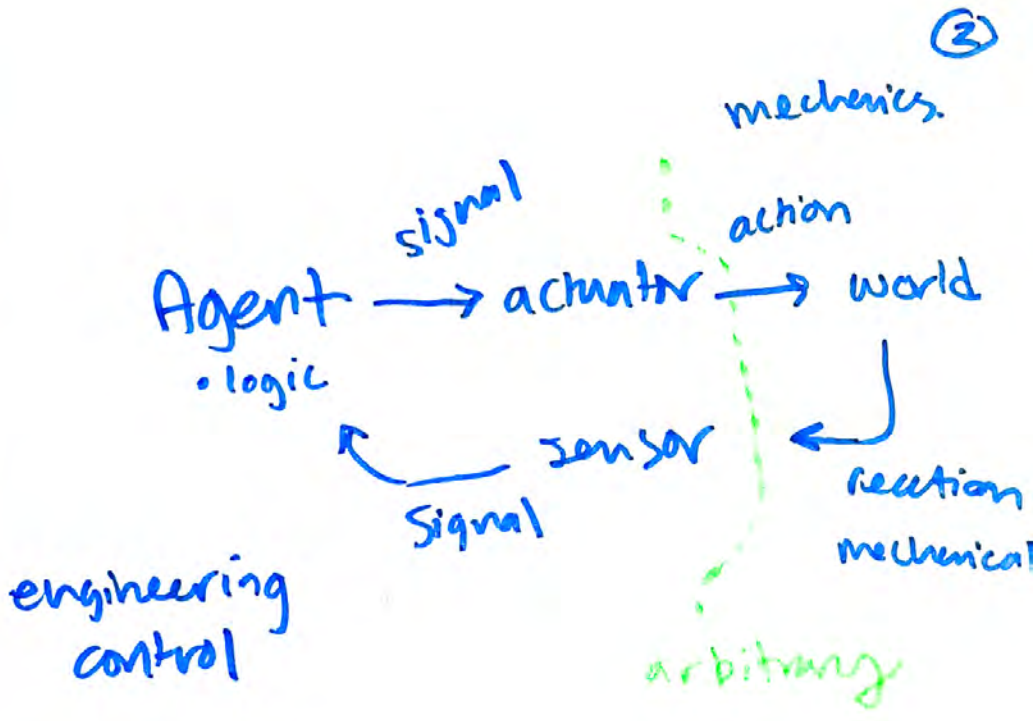


logic

if  
else

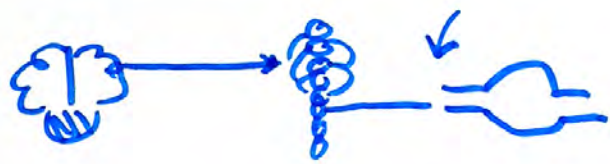


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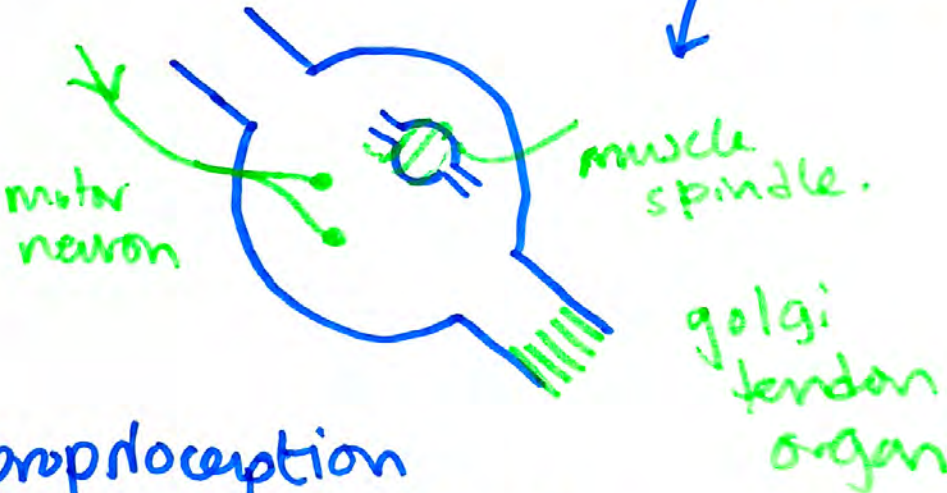


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# Muscle movement



"model"



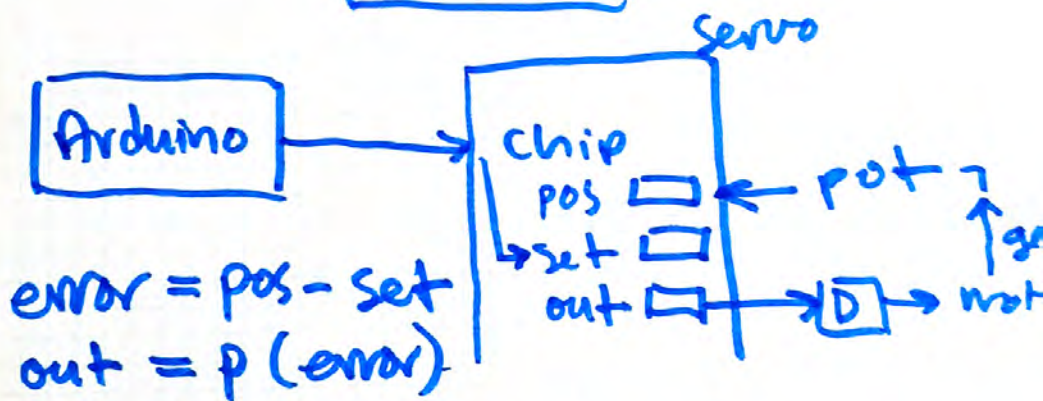
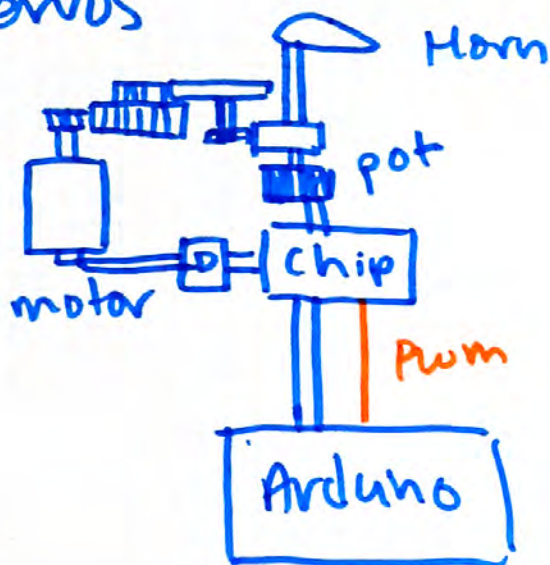
proprioception

button



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Servos



$$\text{error} = \text{pos} - \text{set}$$

$$\text{out} = p(\text{error})$$

→ make 2 DOF device

⑤

Grounding

more  
grounding

=  
higher  
accuracy

=  
lower  
freedom

high control  
over  
position

inverse kinematics



subsumption / hierarchical / modular  
module: servo

distributed  
system





Control

PWM

Signal

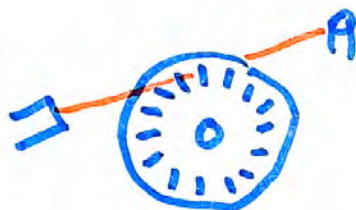
PID

proportional    Integral    Derivative.



$$\text{error} = \text{Set} - \text{pos.}$$

encoders.



subsumption architecture  
understand human  
movement?

What does it take to move?

### Actuation

power



actuator



mechanics



### Sensation

power



sensor



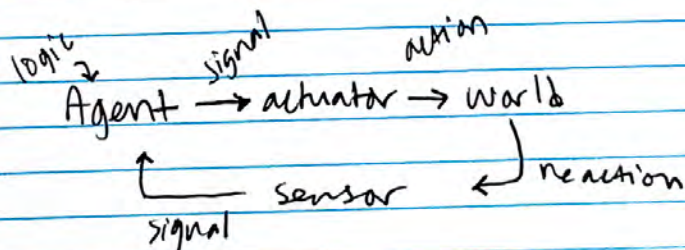
control



Signal

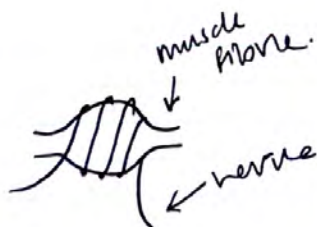


Logic.

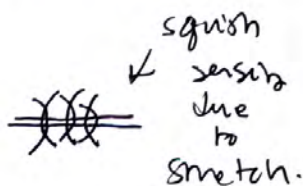


general  
engineering  
control diagram.

# muscle movement

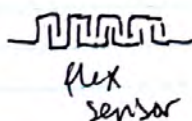


your muscles have models!



flex sensor?  
button?  
potentiometer?

} all models.



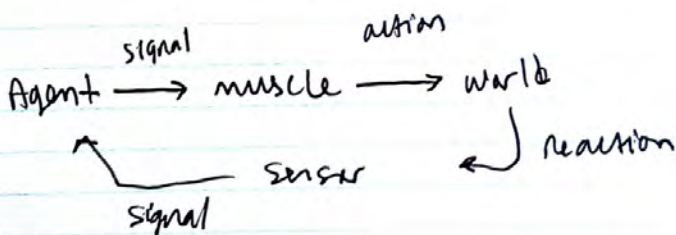
pressure on nerve like button.



potentiometer



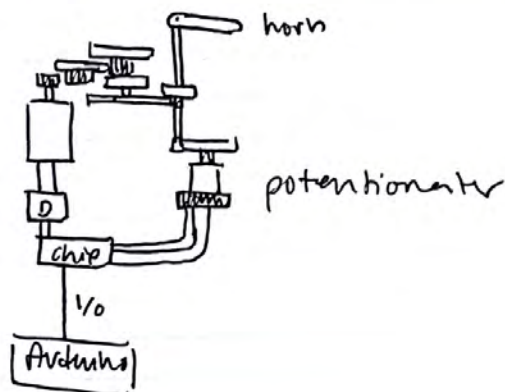
logic





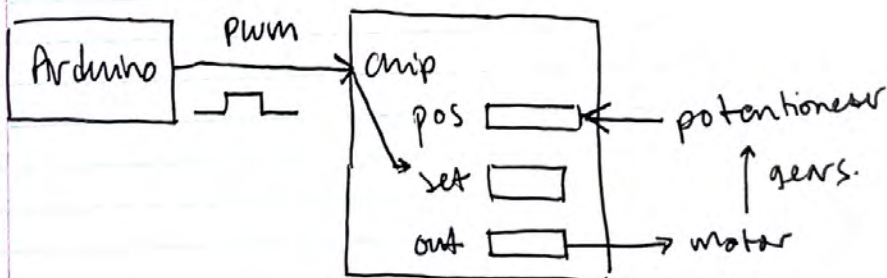
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servos: the full loop in one module.



Try them now! ☆ servo demo.

How is this working?



$$error = pos - set$$

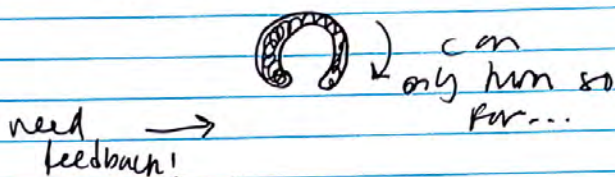
$$out = p(error)$$

↳ feel it w/ hands!

Design a continuous servo.

you can feel that the servo is mechanically blocked.

that's because potentiometers have a physical limit



Preview for next week:

- optical encoder
- localization

- inverse kinematics + grounding
- modular / hierarchical / subsumption architecture.
- then ex.