

Attempted teleoperation of a robotic hand using optical sensing and haptic feedback

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SIGNIFICANCE

- Benefits of robot assisted minimally invasive surgery
- DaVinci robot
 - Controls- Joystick like controller
 - Haptic feedback- None currently
- Goals: A teleoperated robot that accurately mimics the motion of the index and middle fingers with fingertip haptic force feedback, without limiting the operators free-hand movement

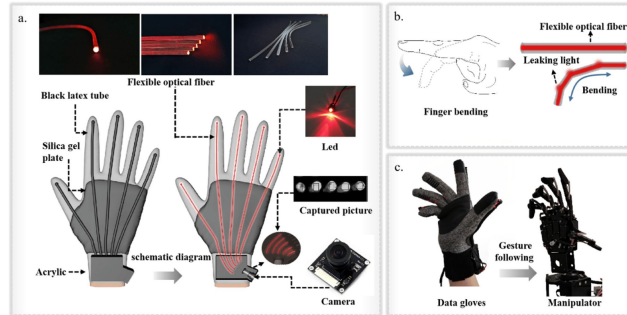


INNOVATION

Teleoperated Robotics



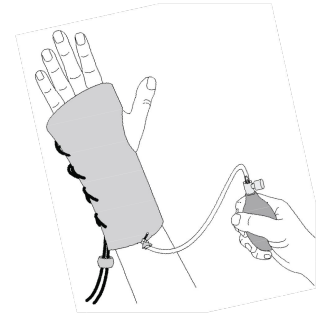
Optical Sensing



Pneumatic Haptic Feedback

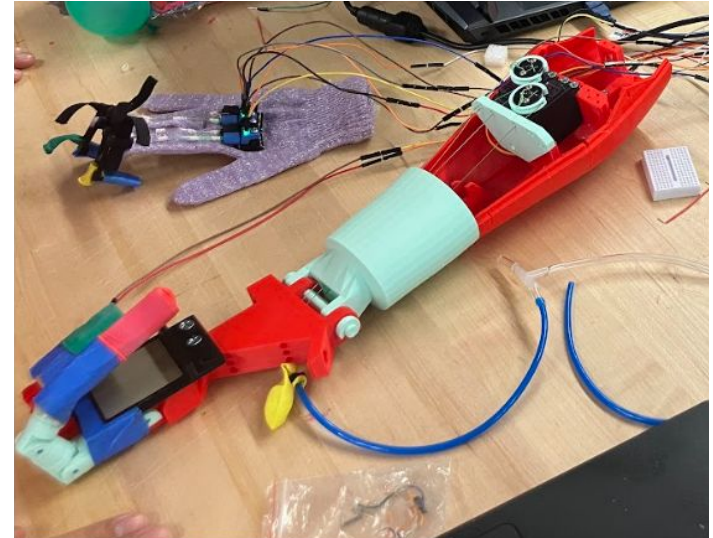
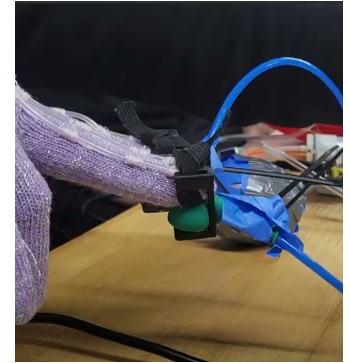
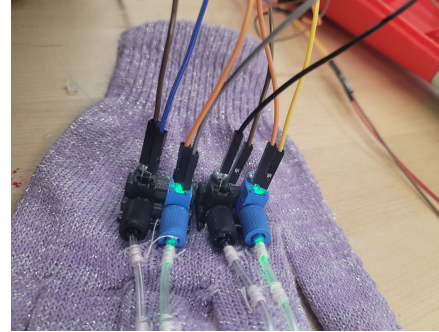
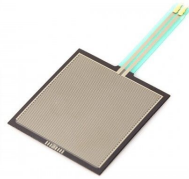
PNEUMATIC WRIST BRACE

A Fabrication Guide
Soft Robotics Toolkit, 2017
www.softroboticstoolkit.com



APPROACH

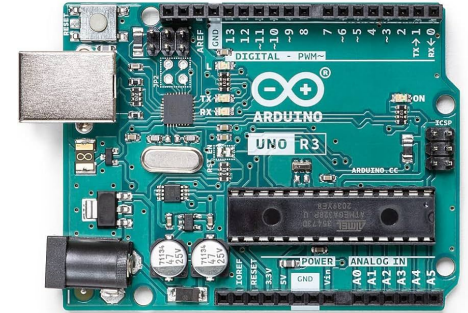
- Control Method- Optical waveguide sensor
- Sensing- Force Sensor
- Feedback Method- Fingertip pressure feedback
- End Effector- Robotic fingers



Shortcomings

Failure of the Optical Waveguide Sensor:

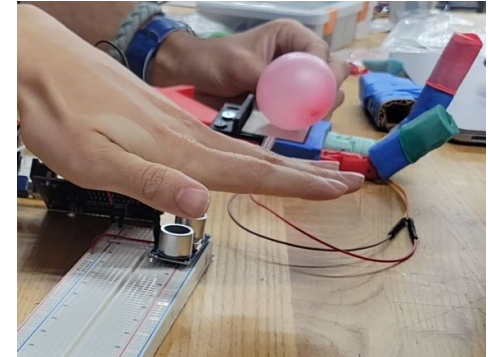
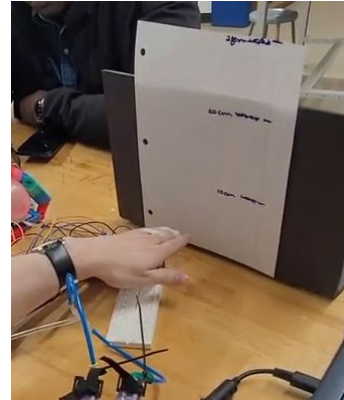
- Limitations of the Arduino
- Limitations of the power supplies
- Limitations of the photodiode



Secondary Solution

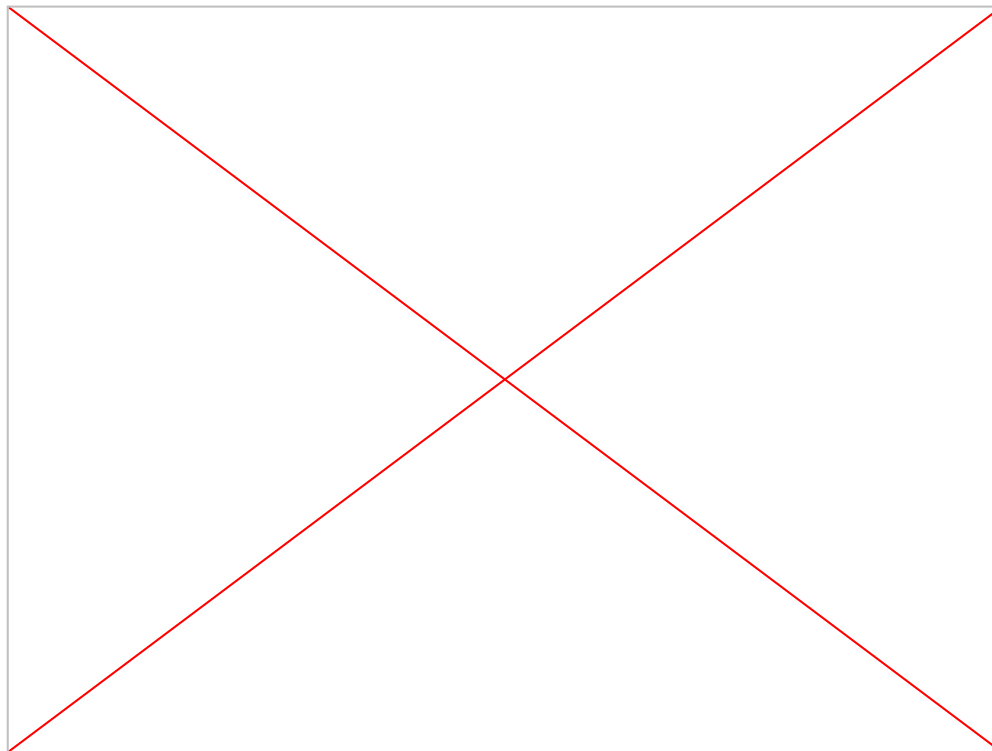
Ultrasonic Distance Sensing

- Control by hovering hand
- Limited sensitivity
- Difficult to achieve high precision

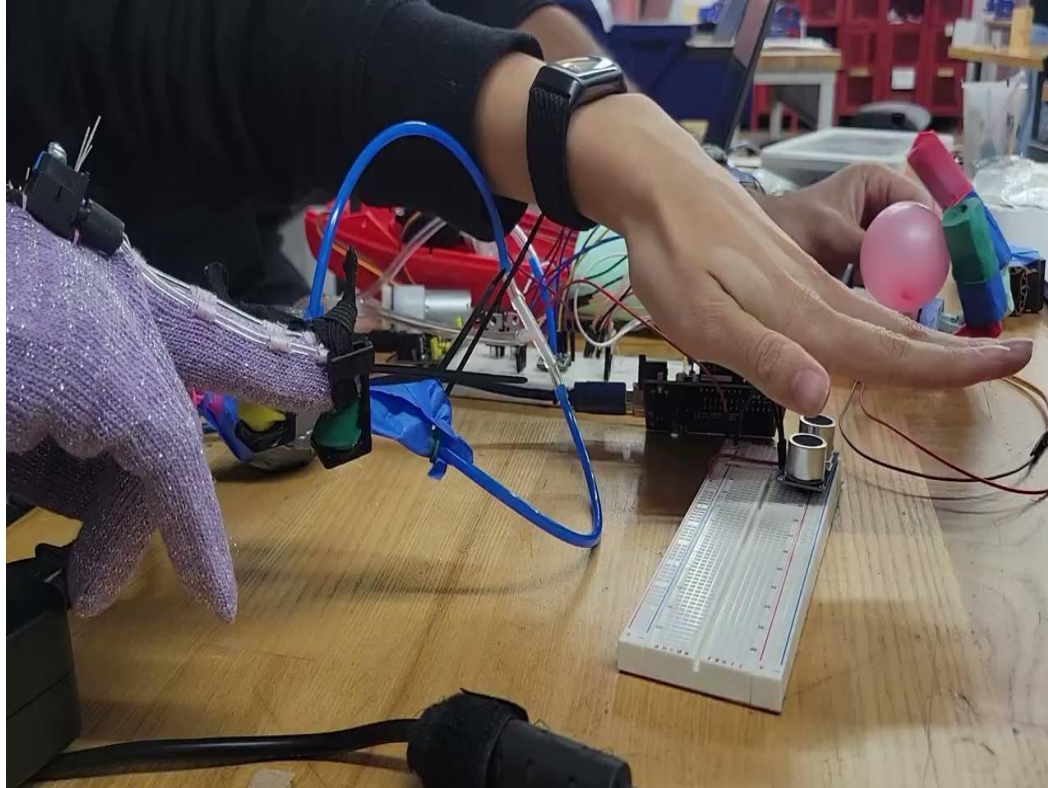




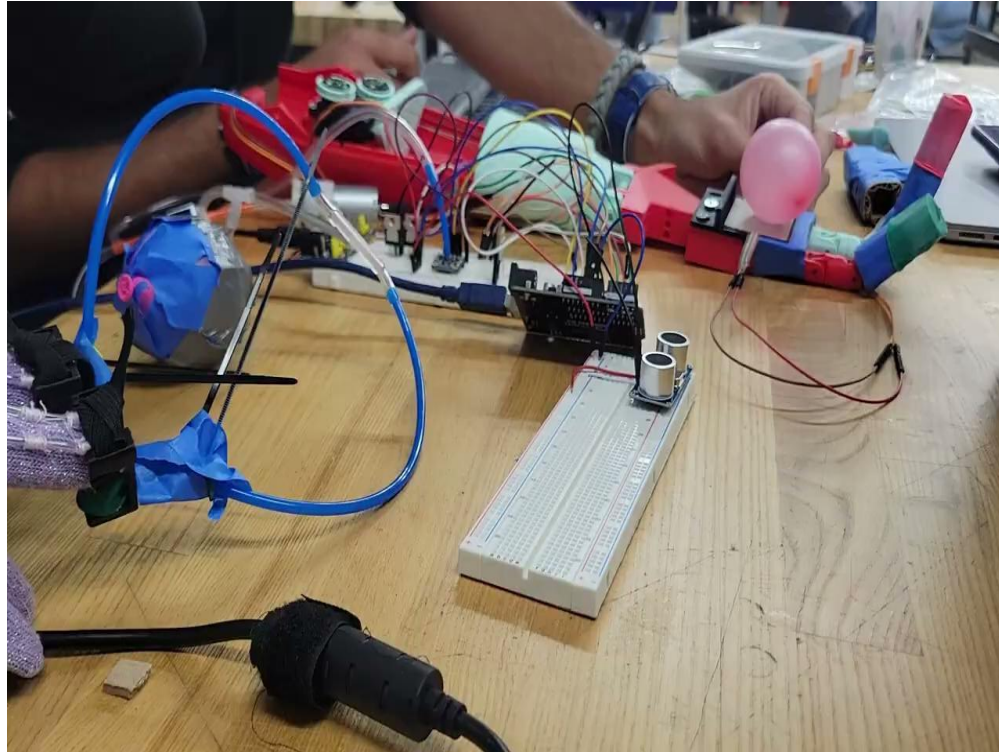
Demo- Control Method



DEMO- Haptic Feedback



Demo- Finding Equilibrium



FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Assuming a return to optical sensor...

- Add a thumb for pinching and grasping movements
- Scale down the robotic grasper
- Separate force sensing/pressure for each finger





Thank you!