

# Thesis overview

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— paper – Predicting Object Transfer Position and Timing in Human-robot Handover Tasks

— an idea – have velocity proportional to the distance between robot and subj w.r.t. handover location

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**Algorithm 1:** linear prediction controller

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**Input:**  ${}^{ef}T_R, \text{mocapData}$   
**Output:**  ${}^{obj}wp_{ef}$  // predicted waypoints  
**Data:** Initial require:  $t_{observe} = 150ms, t_{predict} = 3sec, i = 1$

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1  $i++$  // increments as per controller run-time (5ms)
2 if  $(i \% t_{observe}) == 0$  then
3    ${}^{ef}markerT_M \leftarrow \text{mocapData.robotMarker}((i - t_{observe}) + 1)$ 
4   for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $t_{observe}$  do
5      ${}^{obj}markerT_M \leftarrow \text{mocapData.objectMarker}(i - t_{observe}) + j)$ 
6      ${}^{obj}markerT_{ef}(j) = {}^{ef}T_R^{-1} \times {}^{obj}markerT_M \times {}^{ef}markerT_M^{-1} \times {}^{ef}T_R$ 
7     if  $j == t_{observe}$  then
8        ${}^{obj}markerP_{ef}(t_{observe}) \leftarrow {}^{obj}markerT_{ef}.translation()(t_{observe})$ 
9    ${}^h\bar{\mathcal{V}}_{ef} \leftarrow \mathcal{F}_{avg}({}^hT_{ef}.translation())$ 
10  /* or */
11   ${}^h\bar{\mathcal{V}}_{ef} = \frac{1}{t_{observe}} \sum_{j=1}^{j=t_{observe}} ({}^hT_{ef}.translation())$ 
12  /* predict position of object handover at  $t_{predict}$  */
13   ${}^hP_{t_{predict}} \leftarrow {}^h\bar{\mathcal{V}}_{ef} \cdot t_{predict} + {}^hP_{ef}(t_{observe})$ 
14  /* generate way points between robot left end effector and object
15  handover location */
16  Function generateWp( ${}^{obj}markerP_{ef}(t_{observe}), {}^{obj}P_{t_{predict}}, t_{predict}$ ):
17    for  $k \leftarrow 0$  to  $t_{predict}$  do
18       ${}^{obj}wp_{ef}(k) \leftarrow$ 
19         $({}^{obj}markerP_{ef}(t_{observe}) - {}^{obj}P_{t_{predict}}) \times k - {}^{obj}markerP_{ef}(t_{observe})$ 
20    return  ${}^{obj}wp_{ef}$ 
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**Algorithm 2:** linear prediction controller - Position

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Input:  ${}^{ef}X_R, mocapData$ 
Output:  ${}^{obj}wp_{ef}$  // predicted waypoints
Data: Initial require:  $t_{observe} = 150ms, t_{predict} = 3sec, i = 1, dt = 5ms$ 
1  $i++$  // increments as per controller run-time (5ms)
2 if  $(i \% t_{observe}) == 0$  then
3   for  $j = 1$  to  $t_{observe}$  do
4      ${}^hX_M = mocapData.handMarker(i - t_{observe} + j)$ 
5      ${}^hX_{ef}(j) = {}^hX_M^M X_R^{ef} X_R^{-1}$ 
6     if  $j == t_{observe}$  then
7        ${}^h\mathcal{P}_{ef}(t_{observe}) = {}^hX_{ef}.translation()(t_{observe})$ 
8    ${}^h\bar{\mathcal{V}}_{ef} = \frac{1}{t_{observe}} \sum_{j=1}^{j=t_{observe}} f'({}^h\mathcal{P}_{ef})/dt$ 
9    ${}^h\mathcal{P}_{t_{predict}} = {}^h\bar{\mathcal{V}}_{ef} \cdot t_{predict} + {}^h\mathcal{P}_{ef}(t_{observe})$ 
   // predict subject's hand handover position at  $t_{predict}$  */
   // generate way points between subject hand and robot left end-effector
   // handover location */
10 Function  $generateWp({}^h\mathcal{P}_{ef}(t_{observe}), {}^h\mathcal{P}_{t_{predict}}, t_{predict})$ :
11   for  $k = 0$  to  $t_{predict}$  do
12      ${}^hwp_{ef}(k) = ({}^h\mathcal{P}_{ef}(t_{observe}) - {}^h\mathcal{P}_{t_{predict}}) \times k - {}^h\mathcal{P}_{ef}(t_{observe})$ 
13   return  ${}^hwp_{ef}$ 
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Our prediction controller behavior can be tuned by two initially required constant time periods,  $t_{observe}$  —which defines the time period required to observe the motion of object and  $t_{predict}$  —required to predict the object handover location in advance.

Inputs of the controller are robot left end effector pose  ${}^{ef}T_R$  and mocap markers position data in the mocap frame of reference *mocapFrameData*.  ${}^{efmarker}T_M$  is the left end effector marker pose in the mocap frame. Similarly, object marker pose given by  ${}^{objmarker}T_M$ . For simplicity, at the moment, we have assumed zero rotation of the markers and end effector, therefore rotation part of  ${}^{ef}T_R$ ,  ${}^{eflmarker}T_M$  and  ${}^{objmarker}T_M$  are Identity matrix  $\mathcal{I}$ .

The transformation matrix  ${}^{objmarker}T_{ef}$ , provides the relative pose of object marker w.r.t. robot left end effector in the robot coordinate system.  $P_0^{objmarker}$   $P_{t_{observe}}^{objmarker}$  are the updated observed positions of object whenever the condition  $(i\%t_{observe} == 0)$  satisfy. Based on the  $P_0^{objmarker}$   $P_{t_{observe}}^{objmarker}$ , average velocity  $\bar{V}_{objmarker}^{ef}$  of the observed object motion calculated. Where,  $\mathcal{F}_c$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_{diff}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_{avg}$  are the *helper functions*.

Function *PREDICTPOS*, returns the predicted position of the handover  $P_{t_{predict}}^{obj}$  at time  $t_{predict}$ .

Function *GENERATEWP*, returns the way-points  $wp_{obj}^{ef}$  between robot left end effector and object handover location, which is the final output of the controller.

Later,  $wp_{obj}^{ef}$  is being fed in the `mc_rtc positionTask`.

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**Algorithm 3:** Force Based Gripper Controller

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**Input:**  $\mathcal{F}_w$  // EF wrist worldWrenchWithoutGravity  
**Output:**  $\mathcal{F}_{pull}, T_{new}$  // Pull force, new threshold based on object mass

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1  $i++$  // increments as per controller run-time (5ms)
2 if subject hand is near robot then
3     /* when SUBJECT holds the object */
4     if  $\mathcal{F}_w.norm() < 1.0$  // gripper is empty
5     then
6          $\mathcal{F}_{zero} \leftarrow \mathcal{F}_w$  // wrench offset
7     else if  $\mathcal{F}_w.norm() > 2.0$  then
8          $\mathcal{F}_{load} \leftarrow \mathcal{F}_w$  // wrench with object
9     /* when ROBOT holds the object */
10    Function CheckPullForce( $axis \forall x,y,z$ ):
11         $objectMass \leftarrow \mathcal{F}_{load}/9.81$  // get object mass
12         $\mathcal{F}_{inert} \leftarrow objectMass * efAce$  // efAce using gripper markers
13         $\mathcal{F}_{pull} \leftarrow |(\mathcal{F}_w - \mathcal{F}_{inert})|$ 
14         $T_{new} \leftarrow \mathcal{F}_{load} + T_{old}$  //  $T_{old}$  set to min by user
15        if  $\mathcal{F}_{pull} > T_{new} \forall x,y,z$  then
16             $openGripper$  // release object
17    else
18        if  $(i \% 200)$  then
19             $\mathcal{F}_{load} \leftarrow |(\mathcal{F}_w - \mathcal{F}_{zero})|$  //  $\forall x,y,z$  average over time
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