

limbRevolution.CAD V2.0

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0.1 Introduction

Prosthetic Design, Inc. (PDI) was established in 1991 soon after the inception of CAD/CAM, silicone liners, and high profile energy storing feet. These three advances created a need for modular, low profile, multi-task components to optimize the performance of endoskeletal lower extremity limbs. It has been our mission to fulfill this need and to supply the industry with universal solutions that create flexibility in limb design, high quality socket reproduction and maintain a value in the time vs. material equation. We are known throughout the industry for our practical elegance, original concepts, clinical inspiration, patient proven products, and dedicated to unparalleled customer service. Our creative, dedicated staff responds to clinicians needs and ideas to bring them to reality at the patient level. Since early 2000, PDI began leveraging additive manufacturing technologies and methodologies to increase the industries bottom line by cutting manufacturing costs. Our staff, industry collaborators and academic collaborators have all played a role in the success of this technology. We welcome bright minds, and we are excited to teach, learn and collaborate with anyone passionate about delivering quality and cost effective lower extremity prosthetic solutions. Contained in the accompanying package is knowledge generated over years of research, development, and design at PDI. The accompanying package contains a general overview of our mythologies and technologies in addition to detailed software and hardware descriptions and step-by-step instructions. PDI currently uses Ohio Willow Woods Omega Tracer CAD software to design prosthetic sockets and liner mold models. Files from Omega Tracer formatted using The American Academy of Orthotics and Prosthetists standards (i.e., .aop), are converted using PDIs in-house tested software to a .tap file format, a format widely used in the CNC industry. Tool path instructions contained in the .tap file are communicated to our additive manufacturing machine by Mach 3, a PC-based machine control software. In the near future, PDI will launch their beta CAD and hardware control software, mitigating the need for third-party software thus streamlining our additive manufacturing process. In addition to the detailed descriptions and operation instructions, the accompanying package also includes our suggested machine operation safety guidelines and known failures. Additionally, the safety guidelines and the known failures for our printed technologies are included. For additional information about PDIs other lower extremity prosthetic solutions including our elevated vacuum locking system and carbon fiber adapter plates please visit prostheticdesign.com. Further questions can be sent to our engineer Tyler Fosnight at fosnight@prostheticdesign.com. Additionally, our open source CAD software, hardware control software, and software documentation (while still under construction) can be found at <https://github.com/fosnigtr/limbRevolutionCAD>. PDI looks forward to continuing our mission to deliver cost effective and high quality solutions. We are enthusiastic to collaborate with your talented faculty and students as we, together, improve the lower extremity prosthetic industry. Kindest regards, Prosthetic Design, Inc.

0.2 Installing limbRevolution.CAD

0.3 limbRevolution.CAD resolution

limbRevolution.CAD's modification resolution is limited by the method used to generate the model's file (i.e., scanner). See your scanner's manual

or contact the manufacture for details.

0.4 The Home tab

0.4.1 Overview

The home tab is your portal for opening, importing, saving, and exporting model files. This tab also gives you access to limbRevolution.CAD's manual and source code.

0.4.2 Opening files

Open saved model files with the file extension .mat. The .mat file is limbRevolution.CAD's default file format and should be used during the model modification process. It is good practice to include the patient's last and first name and the modification date in the model's filename.

0.4.3 Importing .aop files

labelImportAOP The American Academy of Orthotics and Prosthetists file format standard or .aop is the industry standard for for prosthetic computer aided manufacturing (CAD). Import .aop files into limbRevolution by clicking the "Import" button on the "Home" tab and select the .aop file you would like to import. For more information the .aop file format standard see ???.

0.4.4 Importing .stl files

Currently, limbRevolution.CAD does not support .stl file importing or modification. Look for this tool in future limbRevolution.CAD releases.

0.4.5 Saving files

Save you model and modifications as .mat files through out the model modification process with the "save as" and "save" buttons located in the "Home" tab and top right of limbRevolution.CAD's window.

0.4.6 Exporting .tap files

Create printing projects by exporting models as .tap file. The .tap file format is widely used in the CNC industry. Tool path instructions contained in the .tap file are communicated to Prosthetic Design, Inc.'s additive manufacturing machine by Mach 3, a PC-based machine control software.

0.4.7 Exporting .stl files

Currently, limbRevolution.CAD does not support .stl file exporting. Look for this tool in future limbRevolution.CAD releases.

0.4.8 Help documentation

For all questions pertaining to operating limbRevolution.CAD refer to this manual. Access this manual using the "Help" button located on limbRevolution.CAD's "Home" tab. For any other question email our support team at fosnight@prostheticdesign.com.

0.4.9 View source code at GitHub

limbRevolution.CAD's source code is saved, viewable, downloaded for free at GitHub's on line software repository at <https://github.com/fosnigtr/limbRevolutionCAD>.

0.5 The Socket tools tab

0.5.1 Overview

limbRevolution.CAD supports model angular alignment, extension, circumferential adjustment, and adding trimlines and cylindrical adapters.

0.5.2 A-P, M-L and height indicator

This tool displays the models diameter in millimeters in the anterior-posterior (A-P) and medial-lateral (M-L) plane in addition to the models height at the mouse location. The indicator read-out is located at the bottom left-hand corner of the canvas.

0.5.3 Angular alignment

limbRevolution.CAD allows ?? manual angular alignment resolution of the model in the M-L (medial-lateral) and A-P (anterior-posterior) planes. The Align tool will appear next to the canvas when the "Align" tool is toggled on. Use the scroll bars to align the model in the A-P and M-P planes and select "OK" after updating the alignment. Select "Cancel" to undo all alignment adjustments made during the modification and to exit the alignment tool.

0.5.4 Extending model

limbRevolution.CAD allows extension of the model along the model's long axis. The extend resolution is limited by the resolution of the device used to generate the model (i.e., your scanner resolution). The Extend tool will appear next to the canvas when the tool is toggled on. Select "Cancel" to undo extension made during the modification and to exit the extension tool. Click the "select top of section" and "select bottom of section" buttons and choose the top and bottom of the section to extend by double clicking on the model. A orange ring delineates the section. Then enter the value to extend the section in millimeters in the "extend by" text box and press enter to apply the modification. Select "OK" to accept the modification or "Cancel" to undo the extension. The extension tool applies the modification by stretching the model long its long axis.

0.5.5 Adjust model's circumference

THIS TOOLS IS NOT IMPLEMENTED IN V 2.0. limbRevolution.CAD allows circumferential adjustment of the model. The modification resolution is limited by the resolution of the device used to generate the model (i.e., your scanner resolution). The Circumferential adjustment tool will appear next to the canvas when the tool is toggled on. Select "Cancel" to undo adjustments made during the modification and to exit the Circumferential adjustment tool.

0.5.6 Add trim lines

limbRevolution.CAD allows addition of trim lines to the model. The trim lines tool will appear next to the canvas when the tool is toggled on. Draw trim lines on the model by clicking the model. Input the circumferential adjust value in millimeters and press enter to apply the adjust above the trim lines. Select "Cancel" to undo trim lines added during the modification and to exit the trim lines tool.

0.5.7 Add cylindrical adapter

limbRevolution.CAD allows addition of cylindrical adapters (i.e., lock void) to the model componentry attachment (i.e., pylon and pyramids). The adapter tool will appear next to the canvas when the tool is toggled on. In the extend by text box input the distance (in millimeters) to extend the adapter from the very distal end of the model. Press enter to apply the adapter. Change the diameter of the adapter by inputting a value in millimeters in the adapter diameter text box. Align the adapter in the anterior-posterior (A-P) and medial-lateral (M-L) planes using the scroll bars. Press "OK" to accept the modifications. Select "Cancel" to remove the adapter and exit the adapter tool.

0.6 The Templates tab

0.6.1 Overview

The Templates tab is your portal for automated and semi-automated model modification.

0.6.2 Revolution liner

The Revolution liner tool semi-automates building inner and outer molds for manufacturing Revolution liners. Toggle on the tool to build inner and outer Revolution liner molds. The tool will first prompt you to manually align the model (Section 0.5.3) then to apply the cylindrical adapter (Section 0.5.7). You will then be prompted to save the outer mold as a .mat file. The tool will then build the inner mold and prompt you to save the inner mold as a .mat file. Assure the inner and outer molds were built properly by assembling them using the assemble tool (Section 0.7.2). Prepare inner and outer mold print projects using the export .tap or .stl tool located on the Home tab (Sections 0.4.6 and 0.4.7)

0.7 The Assembly tools tab

0.7.1 Overview

The Assembly tools tab allow part (e.g., inner and outer Revolution Liners molds) assembly. Use this tool to check that you parts will assemble as desired.

0.7.2 Assemble

Assemble two parts (e.g., inner and outer Revolution Liners molds) for inspection. When the tool is toggled on you will be prompted to select the inner mold .mat file and then the outer .mat file. The parts are assembled and displayed on the canvas for inspection.

0.8 The "Print project" tab

NOT IMPLEMENTED IN V2.0.

0.8.1 Help documentation

NO IMPLEMENTED IN V2.0

0.9 Known bugs in limbRevolution.CAD V2.0

0.9.1 Overview

This lists, describes and suggested troubleshooting steps for known bugs in limbRevolution.CAD V2.0. Email support for any questions. Additionally, visit the limbRevolution blog for help or post a question.

0.9.2 Known bugs

1. Trim line tools: Start drawing the trim lines at anterior face of the model; otherwise, the extended model above the trim lines is incorrect. If the trim lines are incorrect undo the modification by selecting "Cancel" in the trim lines tool menu.
2. Adapter tools: After applying the adapter you cannot adjust the diameter of the adapter to a smaller diameter. If the adapter incorrect undo the modification by selecting "Cancel" in the adapter tool menu.
3. Model rotation using mouse: Sometimes the model will move with mouse movement rather than moving with the mouse when the mouse is clicked and moved. If this happens double click on the canvas, this should fix the problem.