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### Abstract

Some things were done that resulted in stuff.

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### **Nomenclature**

#### **Acronyms / Abbreviations**

v Poisson's ratio

14DOF – LL Fourteen DOFs Lower Limb Exoskeleton

16DOF – UL Sixteen DOFs Upper Limb Exoskeleton

6DOF - LL Six DOFs Lower Limb Exoskeleton

6DOF – UL Six DOFs Upper Limb Exoskeleton

ADL Activity of Daily Living

AOI Area of Interest

AoI Area of Interest

*C*\* Effective Dissipation Coefficient

cHRI cognitive Human-Robot Interaction/Interface

*CMA* – *ES* Covariance Matrix Adaptation Evolution Strategy

CoF Coefficient of Friction

CoT Cost of Transport

CSA Cross-sectional Area

DOF Degrees of Freedom

 $E^*$  Composite Elastic Modulus

EMG Electromyography

FSR Force Sensitive Resistor

Nomenclature Nomenclature

GRF Ground Reaction Force

HCF Hunt-Crossley Force

HRI Human Robot Interaction

hyfydy High Fidelity Dynamics Physics Engine

IMUs Inertial Measurement Units

JBI Joint Based Interaction

*EFF* modified Elastic Foundation Force

MOCO OpenSim MOtion and COntrol optimiser

MR Measuring Resistor

NormSD Normalised Standard Deviation

nRMSE Normalised Root Mean Square Error

PCB Printed Circuit Board

pHRI physical Human Robot Interface

RMSE Root Mean Square Error

*ROM* Range of Motion

SCONE Simulated Controller Optimization Environment

SID Specification Identifier

## **Chapter 1**

## Introduction

### 1.1 Background

First off explain stuff like Human Robot Interaction (HRI) then add to nomenclature in the code and it will show up when you compile

Next make a list of things. This can be bullet points or numbers

Things

Stuffs

More things

2 Introduction



Fig. 1.1 Example figure but landscape.



Fig. 1.2 Subfigure example (a) don't panic, (b) panik (c) and another thing.

Things and stuff are written but now I want a footnote<sup>1</sup>

Cite a person using bibtex, you can get menedeley to export your whole library [1]

#### 1.2 Motivation for Research

### 1.3 Aims and Objectives

nice numerical list

- 1. Where is the optimal contact position for the attachment of an assistive robotic exoskeleton to the limbs of the end user?
- 2. How does the attachment location contribute to exoskeleton-human joint alignment?
- 3. What is the relationship between attachment position and user metabolic expenditure?

#### 1.3.1 Aims

#### 1.3.2 Objectives

- 1. Things
- 2. Stuff

### 1.4 Project Scope

italic text

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Look a footnote, how exciting

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Fig. 1.3 Project scope flow diagram with areas of interest highlighted in red

#### 1.5 Contributions of this Research

- 1. things
- 2. stuff
- 3. more

### 1.6 Thesis Organisation

sometimes paragraph look better to break up formatting

**Chapter 2: Literature Review -**

Chapter 3: Name -

Chapter 4: Name -

Chapter 5: Name -

**Chapter N: Summary, Conclusions and Future Work -** This chapter summarises the work conducted during this research. Discusses simulations result implications and how they compare to the preliminary work and literature. The conclusions made from this work and finally recommendations for the further development of the work are set out.

## Chapter 2

### **Literature Review**

Generally nice to have a chapter overview before the introduction. Here you talk about the chapter and how it fits in the thesis rather than your subject.

#### 2.1 Introduction

90°

nice big sideways table

- **Body** The simulations bones and links. They are defined by relating the position of a joint relative to a parent and child body. Where the body being inserted is the child body.
- **Joint** Used to connect two bodies. A joint is specified when inserting a new body. Joint types selection depends on the desired functionality.
- Geometry Used as interaction objects or simply providing body visualisation.

This is what a table looks like, easiest to build them as you want in excel then put the & symbols in. Refere to a table like this: Table 2.2

Maths equations (Equation 2.1)

$$E_i^* = \frac{E_i}{1 - v_i^2} \tag{2.1}$$

Where  $E_i^*$  = composite elastic modulus for a given material,  $E_i$  = the elastic modulus for a given material and v = material Poisson's ratio.

Maths formatting is done between dollar signs

due to joint structure, but the movement has not quantified been quantified in the literature Table 2.1 Shoulder, clavicle, elbow, wrist, hand, spine, hip, knee, ankle and foot Degrees of Freedom and Range of Motion. \* Where a DOF exists

Motion	Shoulder	Clavicle	Elbow	Wrist	Hand	1 Thoracic Spine Lumbar Spine Hip Knee Ankle Foot	Lumbar Spine	Hip	Knee	Ankle	Foot
Flexion	45°	I	145°	80°	I	20-43°	40-60°	120°	120°	I	I
Extension	$180^{\circ}$	I	0-5°	70°	I	I	20-35°	$10^{\circ}$	5°	I	I
Abduction	$50^{\circ}$	I	I	41°	*	I	I	70°	I	I	I
Adduction	$180^{\circ}$	I	I	$30^{\circ}$	*	I	I	70°	I	I	I
Lateral Flexion	I	I	I	I	I	6-30°	16-18°	I	I	I	I
Lateral Extension	I	I	I	I	I	5-31°	18-21°	I	I	I	I
Lateral Rotation (Inversion)	80°	I	I	I	I	20-43°	15-18°	$50^{\circ}$	25°	I	(12°)
Medial Rotation (Eversion)	90°	I	I	I	1	29-56°	16-19°	$50^{\circ}$	25°	I	(23°)
Pronation	I	I	I	-90°	I	I	I	I	I	Multi.	DOF
Supination	I	I	I	$85^{\circ}$	I	I	I	I	I	Multi.	DOF
Retraction (Posterior Translation)	I	12°	I	I	I	*	*	I	*	I	I
Protraction (Anterior Translation)	I	$40^{\circ}$	I	I	I	*	*	I	*	I	I
Elevation (Superior Translation)	I	$60^{\circ}$	I	I	I	*	*	ļ	*	I	I
Depression (Inferior Translation)	I	3°	I	I	I	*	*	I	*	I	I
Plantarflexion	I	1	I	1	$65 \text{-} 110^{\circ}$	I	I	I	1	40-55°	I
Dorsiflection	I	1	I	1	0°	I	I	I	1	$10  20^{\circ}$	I
Medial Translation	I	1	I	1	1	*	*	I	*	I	I
Lateral Translation	I	1	I	1	1	*	*	I	*	I	I
Valgus Rotation	I	1	I	1	1	I	I	I	1	I	I
Varus Rotation	I	I	I	I	1	I	I	I	I	I	I
Anterior Rotation	I	3°	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Posterior Rotation	I	$30  50^{\circ}$	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Natural DOF	သ	2	_	သ	20	72	30	သ	6	_	_
Per Joint Unit					2	6	6				

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Table 2.2 Summary of pressure experienced at the physical human-robot interface, including comfort levels and capillary compression pressure.

Reference		Pressure [	kPa]		Conditions
Reference	Comfortable	Discomfort	Damage	Pain	Conditions
Schiele et al. [2]	1.3-4	>4	_	-	While completing tasks
Kermavnar et al. [3]	<14.1	14.1-27.5	_	43.4-60.3	Dynamic loading over short periods
Ryan et al. [4]	_	_	4-4.7	_	Capillaries occlusion - minimum stress
Cho et al. [1]	_	_	9	_	Injury possible from
Agam et al. [5]	_	_	>6.27	_	Average capillary pressure

## **Chapter 3**

### **Conclusions and Future Work**

Generally chapter description.

### 3.1 Assessment of Research Objectives

- 1. Objective text from ch1 obj 1 How you met the objective etc
- 2. Objective text from ch1 obj 2 How you met the objective etc
- 3. Objective text from ch1 obj 3 etc...

#### 3.2 Discussion

#### 3.3 Conclusions

#### **3.3.1** Key area 1

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#### 3.3.2 Key area 2

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#### 3.4 Future Work

This section sets out recommendations for future work, which would aid the continued development of designs and models set out in this research.

#### 3.4.1 area 1

- 1. Actuation -
- 2. Tracking shear forces at the interface -

#### 3.4.2 area 2

- 1. Addition of assistance -
- 2. Simulated movement -
- 3. Soft tissue model -

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## Appendix A

## **Appendix Example**

I am an appendix. Add stuff here that is important but also not that important. Like code.

```
# Overall composite measure
    CompositeMeasure {
      # Measure for gait, minimum speed = 1.0 m/s
      GaitMeasure {
        name = Gait
        weight = 100
        threshold = 0.05
        termination_height = 0.85
        min_velocity = 1.0
      # Metabolic energy measure as defined in [Wang et al. 2012]
11
      EffortMeasure {
        name = Effort
13
        weight = 5
14
        measure_type = Wang2012
15
        use_cost_of_transport = 1
16
17
      # Degree of Freedom composite measure
18
      CompositeMeasure {
19
        name = DofLimits
        symmetric = 1
        # Stops ankle hyper extension
        DofMeasure {
23
          weight = 0.1
          dof = ankle_angle
25
          position { min = -60 max = 60 squared_penalty = 1 }
        }
        # Stops knee hyper extension
28
        DofMeasure {
29
          weight = 0.01
```

```
threshold = 5
          dof = knee_angle
          force { min = 0 max = 0 abs_penalty = 1 }
33
        }
34
        # Ground reaction force measure
        ReactionForceMeasure {
36
          name = GRF
37
          start_time = 1
          weight = 10
          max = 1.4
40
          abs_penalty = 1
        }
      }
43
```

Listing A.1 Original measures included for gait control optimisation in SCONE base model