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2011 - 2013

Education

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland 2018 - now

Post-Doctoral Researcher, Learning Algorithms and Systems laboratory, Prof. Aude billard

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland 2013 - 2018

Ph.D. degree in Robotics and Control, Biorob laboratory, Advisor: Prof. Auke Ijspeert

Dissertation: Towards Robust Bipedal Locomotion: From Simple Models To Full-Body Compliance

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland

M.Sc. degree in Micro-Engineering, Robotics and Autonomous Systems

Thesis: A Model-Based Control Approach for Locomotion of Biped Robots

Supervisor: Prof. Christopher Atkeson (from CMU)

2007 - 2011 Sharif University of Technology, Iran

B.Sc. degree in Electrical Engineering, Digital Systems and Control

Research Interests

Control, Optimization, Dynamics, Robot and Human Locomotion, Learning

Awards & Honors

2017: Nominated for Chorafas PhD Award, EPFL.

2014: Nominated for Best Paper Award, ICRA conference, Hong Kong.

2013: Best Master Project Award, Commune d'Ecublens, EPFL, Switzerland

2011: Best Bachelor Project Award, Sharif University of Technology, Iran

2011: Ranked 1st out of 190, Sharif University of Technology, Iran

2007: Member of the National Iranian Elites Foundation

2007: Ranked 3rd out of 400,000, nationwide university entrance exam, Iran

Professional Experience

European CoglMon Project, 2018-2019: Developed collaborative walking controllers

European Walk-Man Project, 2013-2017: Developed walking and balancing controllers for humanoids

Internship at ABB, Summer and Fall 2012: Developed a thin inspection robot for large gearless mill drives

Internship at Festo Pneumatics, Summer 2010: Courses in Pneumatics, Hydraulics, Industrial Sensors, PLC programming

Robocup small-size soccer league, 2005-2009: Developed highly agile wheeled robots for soccer

Languages skills

English (Fluent), German (B1-B2), French (A2), Persian (Native)

Publications (find full texts and a visual summary here)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- <u>S. Faraji</u>, H. Razavi and A. Ijspeert. Push recovery with stepping strategy based on time-projection control, in The International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR), vol. 38, num. 5, p. 587-611, 2019.
- N. Kashiri, A. Abate, S. J. Abram, A. Albu-Schaffer, P. J. Clary, M. Daley, <u>S. Faraji</u>, R. Furnemont, M. Garabini, H.t Geyer, A. M. Grabowski, J. Hurst, J. Malzahn, G. Mathijssen, D. Remy, W. Roozing, M. Shahbazi, S. N. Simha, J. Song, N. Smit-Anseeuw, S. Stramigioli, B. Vanderborght, Y. Yesilevskiy and N. Tsagarakis, An Overview on Principles for Energy Efficient Robot Locomotion, **Frontiers** in Robotics and Al, vol. 5, p. 2296-9144, 2018.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, A. R. Wu and A. Ijspeert. A simple model of mechanical effects to estimate metabolic cost of human walking, in **Nature** Scientific Reports, 8(1):10998, 2018.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. 3LP: a linear 3D-walking model including torso and swing dynamics, in The International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR), vol. 36, num. 4, p. 436-455, 2017.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. Modeling robot geometries like molecules, application to fast multi-contact posture planning for humanoids, in IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (**RA-L**), vol. 3, num. 1, p. 289-296, 2017.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. Singularity-tolerant inverse kinematics for bipedal robots: An efficient use of computational power to reduce energy consumption, in IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (**RA-L**), vol. 2, num. 2, p. 1132-1139, 2017.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and M. S. Tavazoei. The effect of fractionality nature in differences between computer simulation and experimental results of a chaotic circuit, in Central European Journal Of Physics (**CEJP**), vol. 11, num. 6, p. 836-844, 2013.
- S. Haghzad, <u>S. Faraji</u> and S. Bagheri. Finding Proper Configurations for Modular Robots by Using Genetic Algorithm on Different Terrains, in International Journal of Materials, Mechanics and Manufacturing (**IJMMM**), vol. 1, num. 4, p. 360-365, 2013.

CONFERENCE ARTICLES

- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. Scalable closed-form trajectories for periodic and non-periodic human-like walking, <u>accepted</u> in IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (**ICRA**).
- J. Arreguit, S. Faraji and A. Ijspeert. Fast multi-contact motion planning with a 5-link model and molecule-inspired formulations for humanoids, *Humanoid Robots* (*Humanoids*), 2018 18th IEEE-RAS International Conference on. IEEE, 2018.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. Designing a virtual whole body tactile sensor suit for a simulated humanoid robot using inverse dynamics. Intelligent Robots and Systems (**IROS**), Daejeon, South Korea, 2016.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, L. Colasanto and A. Ijspeert. Practical considerations in using inverse dynamics on a humanoid robot: torque tracking, sensor fusion and Cartesian control laws. IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (**IROS**), Hamburg, Germany, 2015.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, S. Pouya and A. Ijspeert. Robust and Agile 3D Biped Walking With Steering Capability Using a Footstep Predictive Approach. Robotics Science and Systems (**RSS**), Berkeley, CA, USA, 2014.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, S. Pouya, C. G. Atkeson and A. J. Ijspeert. Versatile and robust 3D walking with a simulated humanoid robot (Atlas): A model predictive control approach. 2014 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Hong Kong, China, 2014.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, S. Pouya, R. Moeckel and A. J. Ijspeert. Compliant and adaptive control of a planar monopod hopper in rough terrain. 2013 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Karlsruhe, Germany, 2013.

ARTICLES IN PROCESS

- <u>S. Faraji</u>, P. Müllhaupt and A. Ijspeert. Time-projection control to recover inter-sample disturbances, application to walking control, <u>under review</u> in IEEE Transactions on Robotics (**T-RO**).
- A. R. Wu, <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. Modeling asymmetries of torso bending in inclined walking over different speeds, <u>in preparation.</u>

POSTERS

- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. R. Wu, Walking framework with simplified 3LP model and time-projection control, Dynamic Walking, Pensacola, Florida, USA, 2018.
- A. R. Wu and <u>S. Faraji</u>, Effects of trunk lean and ground slope on leg angle symmetry during gait, Dynamic Walking, Pensacola, Florida, USA, 2018.
- A. R. Wu, , <u>S. Faraji</u>, A. Ijspeert. Simple combinations of major energy components to predict cost of human walking. IROS workshop, Vancouver, Canada, 2017.
- J. P. Arreguit, <u>S. Faraji</u>, A. Ijspeert. Multi-contact motion planning with a five-mass template model and vector-based equations. IROS workshop, Vancouver, Canada, 2017.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. A singularity-tolerant inverse kinematics including joint position and velocity limitations. Dynamic Walking, Mariehamn, Finland, 2017.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. A virtual tactile sensing suit for humanoids based on dynamic equations and internal sensors. Dynamic Walking, Holly, Michigan, USA, 2016.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. Time-Projection control on 3LP, a simple idea to deal with intermittent pushes online. Dynamic Walking, Holly, Michigan, USA, 2016.
- <u>S. Faraji</u> and A. Ijspeert. 3LP: A linear model of locomotion including falling, swing and torso dynamics. Dynamic Walking, Holly, Michigan, USA, 2016.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, S. Pouya and A. Ijspeert. Robust 3D Walking Using Inverse Dynamics And Footstep Planning With Model Predictive Control. 9th Dynamic Walking Conference (DWC 2014), ETH Zurich, Switzerland, 2014.
- S. Pouya, S. Faraji, R. Möckel and A. Ijspeert. Dynamics Modeling and Control Architecture for Efficient, Manoeuvrable and Robust Monoped Hopping over Rough Terrain. 8th Dynamic Walking Conference (DWC 2013), Pittsburgh, USA, 2013.

TALKS

- <u>S. Faraji</u>, Model based control approaches for multi-modal locomotion of a humanoid robot, in Automatic Control Laboratory, hosted by Prof. Colin Jones, EPFL, 2014.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, Multi-Modal locomotion, in Movement generation and control group, hosted by Prof. Ludovic Righetti, Max Planck Institute, 2015
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, 3LP walking model: a Fresh Breath for optimizations, Workshop on Robust Optimization-Based Control and Planning for Legged Robots, ICRA conference, 2016.
- <u>S. Faraji</u>, Walking Control of Bipedal Robots with Heavy Legs Using Foot Stepping Strategy, in Robotic Systems Laboratory, hosted by Prof. Marco Hutter, ETH Zurich, 2018.