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SIT-TO-STAND & STAND-TO-SIT ENERGETICS FOR ASSISTIVE DEVICES & ROBOTICS DESIGN

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Abstract

This research presents the development of a Sit-to-Stand and Stand-to-Sit model for regenerative energy recovery with applications in orthoses, protheses and humanoid robot design. Sit-to-Stand and Stand-to-Sit are routine activities and are crucial pre-requisites to walking and running. Determining design parameters for devices which can aid people to perform these activities in an effective manner is a key goal here. MapleSim was used to simulate a 1/10-scale multi-domain model and a nonlinear torque controller was used to control the trajectory profiles of the Sit-to-Stand-to-Sit gait. The model allows accurate simulation of hardware components for use in a future robot. This study addresses the usage in regenerative braking towards sit-to-stand-to-sit and the relationship between Coriolis/centrifugal torque components to inertial and gravitational torque components.

This study examines the level of regeneration at ankle, knee and hip. Furthermore, it examines the significance of Coriolis and centrifugal versus inertial and gravitational components of a nonlinear controller in order to determine if these components would be needed in a real robot controller. By applying joint trajectories from human trials it was found that the regenerative effect in the robot model was most significant in the hip and least significant in the ankle. Furthermore, we determined that the Coriolis and centrifugal terms were approximately 1% of the inertial and gravitational terms in the applied nonlinear controller, making them insignificant. We also determined upper bounds for gearing in the joints such that battery autonomy is maximized without encountering motor saturation and inaccurate trajectory following. From these findings, we recommmend that robot designs neglect the Coriolis and centrifugal terms and that regenerative hardware be prioritized at the hip.

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Chapter 1 Introduction

THIS thesis examines transistions between sitting and standing. By better understanding the dynamics and energetics of these movements we hope to work towards objective design methods for designing prosthesis, orthoses and humanoid robots.

1.1 Motivation

The study of human, animal and robot locomotion has, in general, focused on steadystate aspects. However, in reality, steady-state locomotion is generally short-lived and is accentuated by frequent transistions between states. The aspects related to starting, turning, standing up, sitting down, accelerating and decelerating of everyday animal, human and now even robot locomotion is a key focus for contemporary research labs. To understand how these transisitions occur and how to control them, we must have a clear understanding of the underlying mechanisms available to the locomotor, whether they are control or mechanical in nature. For instance, elastic storage and release of energy in muscles and tendons play an important role in movement of humans and animals [3] and can be artificially implemented successfully in orthotic applications [19].

There are fundamental differences between natural actuators and artificial ones and if we are to develop artificial aides to assist in locomotory activities of people it is important to understand their limitations. This is specially important due to the increasing aging of the baby boomers, population projections indicate one in five Canadians will be 65 or older



Figure 1.1: Sit-to-Stand and Stand-to-Sit Motion

by 2026 [66]. Muscle weaknesses, diseases and disabilities such as Parkinsons disease and strokes can lead to declining functional mobility and health in the aging population. This eventually can lead to falls and is the most common cause of injuries among seniors in Canada [6].

Many of the injuries sustained from falling were to the hip, thigh, knee, lower leg, ankle or foot. Fall-related injuries have a significant impact on the well-being of the individual and in Activities of Daily Living (ADL). It can lead to a decline in quality of life as well as to institutionalization. For those that do recover, psychological impact from fear of falling can result in loss of confidence and restriction in daily activities [6].

There is currently a worldwide interest in developing Assistive Technologies (AT) that can assist people with ADLs. It can enable a person to have independence at home, to function independently, as well as to increase their confidence in ADL which leads to an increase in quality of life. Scientific studies have shown that ATs enables patients to have greater self-reliance and less dependence in personal caregiver assistance [24, 38]. It is estimated that 4 million persons required the help of another person with ADL in the US in 2009 [2]. Statistical data gathered by the US-based Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS) and the Centres for Disease Control (CDC) in 2008 showed that 11.3% of non-institutionalized Medicare beneficiaries had difficulty with getting in/out of bed/chairs compared to 68.9% for institutionalized beneficiaries [1]. Sitting down and standing up from a chair as shown in Fig. 1.1 is an essential ADL function that precede or follow walking which is a common method of locomotion in humans.

There is an ongoing interest in development of humanoid robots, from the pioneering work of Vukobratovic [64] to the recently announced humanoid robotic research program by DARPA [10] in the United States. The work outlined here is applicable to both the robotics and ADL domains.

1.2 Biomechanics Background

There have been a number of studies on the kinematics and dynamics of the sit-to-stand (Si2St) and stand-to-sit (St2Si) activity [31, 51, 54, 44]. The objective is to gain insight into the kinematics and dynamics of the Si2St and St2S movement during normal gait and its performance. This serves as a baseline to analyze Si2St and St2S gait deficiencies and to compare it to therapeutic intervention.

Difficulty in rising from and sitting into a chair is common among elderly people and various factors such as Parkinsons Disease and muscle weakness can have a significant impact on the quality of life and confidence of the individual [36]. Rising from and sitting into a chair is a coordinated effort between the trunk and lower extremities and deficiencies in the muscle contractions and joint torques can reduce the performance of this gait transfer. The peak hip joint moment and pressure and muscle strength requirement in the Si2St movement was found to be greater than stair climbing or running [69]. Yoshioka et al. found the relationship between the peak joint moments at the hip and knee joints was cummulative requiring a sum of moments greater than 1.53 Nm/kg [69]. This indicates

that there is a prerequisite to the timing profiles of the position and velocities of the lower extremities in order to generate the required joint torques in a stable Si2St and St2Si transfer. When compared to Parkinson's Disease subjects, Mak et al. found that they developed smaller hip flexion torques and a prolonged rate of torque production that disrupts the Si2St performance [36].

Consequently, an inability to develop sufficient joint torques in the lower extremities can increase the risk of falling [28] and hip fractures [6].

1.3 Humanoid Robots and Assistive Devices

Inspired by observations from biomechanics, researchers have developed a wide range of devices to mimic human movements or to assist human movements. Contemporary humanoid robot developments typically trace their lineages back to two camps: slower statically stable systems [63] and faster dynamically stable systems [49].

Assistive devices were mostly passive in nature until the advent of the popular Ottobock C-Leg in 1985. Typically, devices to help raise or lower people with mobility problems tend to be large and are often a fixture of a room (such as those found in hospitals or pools) [29].

A range of new orthotic devices, which contain active components [32] are now being developed. Furthermore, there is interest in both assistive device and humanoid robot communities to develop energy efficient devices, sometimes inspired by technologies such as the Toyota Prius hybrid vehicle. This section explores all three of these issues.

1.3.1 Humanoid Robots

New developments in locomotion control algorithms has led to impressive results. The family of controllers encompassed by Zero Moment Point (ZMP) [65], Centre of Pressure and Foot Rotation Index [20] has permitted the development of capable bipeds such as the Honda Asimo [22] and TUM Johnnie [59]. An alternative approach was taken, beginning in the 1980s to simplify substructures, sensing, actuation and control to aid in the better

understanding of the dynamics of legged locomotion. This approach led to robots such as the MIT Quadruped and Boston Dynamics BigDog and McGill PAW robot [60], which incorporate dynamic effects into the control mechanisms, permitting fast and relatively robust control.

In the past, much attention has been placed on steady state humanoid walking [65, 20, 59]. Transitional behaviors such as standing up and sitting down have received less attention, likely due to the tendency of these behaviors to transistion the robot out of clearly defined stability boundaries, such as the ZMP. However, with the success of dynamically stable robots such as PETMAN [14], this is changing. Yamamoto and Kuniyoshi [68] examined how body dynamics could be exploited by humanoid robots while rising up. Likewise, Kanehiro et al. [30] examined rising from the ground, rather than from a chair, likely due to contemporary robot competitions such as RoboCup. At Disney Research Pittsburgh, Mistry et al. examined coordination and control of the body's center-of-mass (COM) during the Si2St motion between a human and Carnegie Mellon's Sarcos humanoid robot [40].

1.3.2 Traditional (Non-Regenerative) Assistive Devices

There is an ongoing development of technology in assistive devices that are commercially available and in research and development. They range from commercially available passively-supported grab bars and standing frames that provide the user stability during rising to the high performance and powered exoskeletons such as the eLEGS by Berkeley Bionics and the Cyberdyne HAL [43, 61]. The eLEGS allows a person with lower-extremity paralysis or weakness in muscles to stand and walk again while the HAL uses servo actuators located at the joints to improve the physical capability of the user.

Kobetic et al. have developed a hybrid system of an exoskeletal bracing and a multichannel functional electrical stimulation (FES) component. Together, this system aides a person with spinal cord injury (SCI) to walk, stand and stair climb. Mobility is accomplished by coordinating the hydraulic hip actuators with a knee clutch that en-

System	Time between Refueling/Charging
Ottobock C-Leg	40 - 45 hours
Ekso Exoskeleton	3 hours
Cyberdyne HAL	5 hours
Boston Dynamics' LS3	20 miles with 400lb payload capacity
Boston Dynamics' Big Dog	12.8 miles with 340lb payload capacity
Kobetic et al. hybrid orthoses	4 hours
Raytheon Sarcos	N/A, thethered

Table 1.1: Operational Time between Charge/Refueling for Active Assistive Devices

gages/disengages during stance and swing. Ankle movement is controlled by the FES. The Ottobock C-Leg [45] is a microprocessor-based prosthetic leg. The microprocessorcontrolled hydraulics in the leg dynamically adapts the leg motion to all walking speeds. This allows the wearer to walk without having to focus on walking with a reduction in falls.

Actuated assistive devices are also of interest to the military. The Raytheon Sarcos [50] is a powered exoskeleton with the ability to lift 200 lbs with minimal strain to the wearer. The suit is built with a combination of sensors, actuators and high-pressure hydraulics. It currently is tethered to a power supply.

The active devices described above all allow the wearer freedom in its environment. The trade-off is that it requires a battery storage unit which can interfere with the natural dynamics of the gait and limit the duration of the usability of the system. Table 1.1 lists the operational time between charges or refueling for the described systems. All active systems require fuel or battery power and therefore have a finite operational life. Therefore it is desirable to explore alternative technologies that can extend the operation time between refueling/recharging.

1.3.3 Regenerative Power and Biomechanical Energy Harvesting

There has been active interest in recent years in regenerative power. This technology is most active in the automotive industry for its use hybrid and electric automotive vehicles

and has also benefitted the e-bike industry [62, 17]. The design of next generation active orthoses, prostheses, and powered exoskeletons may take advantage of the benefits of this technology.

The idea behind regenerative power is to collect power from the motor during braking and reuse it with the objective of improving the energy utilization of the machinery or system. Similarly, biomechanical energy harvesting is the collection of energy by converting mechanical power into electrical power. The conservation and renewability of power is a necessary design consideration for electrical devices which operate on modular battery power. These considerations make regenerative systems an attractive addition to active orthoses designs [35].

Two well known and successful university research and development projects that have spun out into business entities include the PowerWalk by BionicPower and Lightning Packs by Lightning Packs [5, 46] while another successful university research team has been actively working on a regenerative braking-based lightweight prosthetic foot [23].

PowerWalk

The PowerWalk converts mechanical power to electrical power via an electric generator attached to the knee. PowerWalk was originally conceived by Donelan et. al. at Simon Fraser University, British Columbia and it selectively engages and disengages the power generation during negative cycles of the walking gait.

The movement of the knee joint during walking can be used to generate electricity through a regenerative system and subsequently power the orthoses with negligible additional input from the user. The system will selectively engage when the body is performing negative work. In a healthy gait, this occurs during the end of the swing phase. At this time the muscles of the leg are resisting the movement of the joint and negative power is produced [48]. A regenerative system for human activity relies on metabolic energy from the individual as its input and provides electrical energy as its output. The system can be attached across a joint which inherently provides a large range of motion during walking such as the knee. Positioned on the sagittal plane the device generally contains a one-way clutch which turns spur gears during the end swing phase. At this point metabolic power from the individual is transformed into mechanical power. The gears will increase the angular velocity of the joint movement and translate its torque to the armatures of a brushless DC rotary magnetic generator, converting the mechanical power into electrical power [48].

Lightning Pack

The Lightning Pack was spun out from research led by Rome et. al. at the University of Pennsylvania. It is another biomechanical energy harvester that takes advantage of the dynamics of the walking gait to collect energy. In their design, a load cell is suspended via springs. Movement drives the spring-mass system and the oscillating kinetic energy is converted into electrical energy and stored in super capacitors [55]. The major benefit of this system is that the backpack generates more electrical energy during human locomotion than any other human energy harvesting method currently available.

SPARKy - Active Robotic Ankle using Regenerative Kinetics

Sugar et al. have developed a lightweight prosthetic foot based on regenerative kinetics and is a form of regenerative braking [23]. Here, the momentum energy during motion is conserved in the form of compliant springs during compression (braking of the foot fall) and that energy is redirected during the stance phase (retracting to lift-off of the foot). Since energy is stored, a light-weight DC motor can adjust the optimal power required for a given gait and this reduces the effort required by the individual. The energy storage ability of the springs also helps to reduce the overall size and weight of the device. The first two models were designed for a walking gait. The team is currently working on the third revision which allows running and jumping without increasing the overall weight of the device when compared to its two previous models [4].

1.3.4 Scope and Objective

In this dissertation, the objective is to provide an empirical quantification of the functionality and energy utilization improvement of a Si2St and St2Si activities through the use of regenerative power. The hypothesis is that through regenerative braking, energy can be recovered during certain phases and injected back into others. A computer simulation model was developed using MapleSim 5.0 and Matlab was used to process the data. The model shown in Fig. 1.2 is based on scaled parameters from Winter [67]. Utilization of rapid prototyping software tools such as Maplesoft MapleSim and Mathworks Matlab allow for optimization of the electrical generator characterization to answer questions such as: What is the best gearing for energy recovery and joint load reduction without impeding natural gait dynamics? What are the significant components of the nonlinear controller and what can be reasonably removed in a future robot controller?

Overview of Thesis

- **Background:** Sit-to-stand (Si2St) and stand-to-sit (St2Si) (see Fig. 1.1 is an essential activity of daily living that requires sufficient strength in the leg muscles and places large moments on the joints during movement. Much of the Si2St and St2Si movement is attributed to the hip and knee joints with very little movement at the ankle. Little effort is required by healthy individuals to perform these motions but patients suffering from muscular deficiencies such as stroke recovery, Parkinson's Disease and age may experience minor to major difficulties. Difficulties in the stability of the Si2St and St2Si transfer will therefore increase the likelihood of injuries.
- **Observation:** Regenerative braking is a common technology that is actively used in the automotive and electric bike industries. During braking, the electric motor acts as a generator and recovers some of the electrical power that would otherwise be lost due to mechanical friction in the form of heat. As a generator, the motor is reversed and the electromotive torque acts a braking mechanism against the direction of the

vehicle.

- **Hypothesis:** We can apply regenerative technology to the hip, knee and ankle joints in sitting and standing transistions. During regeneration, electrical power can be recovered and stored. Some of the energy can then be used to power the active Si2St motion thus extending the duration of battery life between charge cycles.
- Simulation: Using biomechanical data, a 1:10 scaled computer simulation of the robotic surrogate has been developed in Maplesoft MapleSim 5.0, as shown in Fig. 1.2. The model's electric actuators (generator) are based on the Robotis Dynamixel RX-28. Kinematic parameters are based on Winter's textbook [67] and scaled according to the 1:10 requirement. Maple is used to run simulations to optimize for energy recovery by varying motor gearing and battery voltage parameters. Through an inverse dynamics model and using the kinematic parameters, joint torques are extracted from the data and scaled to 1:10 to provide parameters for the computer model.



Figure 1.2: Robot model based on anatomical data [67] scaled by 1:10.

• Outcome: Through regenerative braking, the robotic surrogate simulation demon-

strated regenerative energy capturing at the joints during braking of the St2Si motion. It was found that hip regeneration is found to be the most significant that while better energy usage is found with using larger gear ratios, an upper bound of 520:1 is found beyond which motor saturation leads to inaccurate tracking of the desired joint trajectories. Lastly, the Coriolis and centrifugal terms of the nonlinear controller were found to be insignificant.

Chapter 2 General Modeling of a Planar Robot

In order to examine the energetics inherent in transistioning from siting to standing and vice-versa we begin by analysing the motion in human subjects. A number of peer-reviewed publications have been examined for this, with the data by Kralj [33] selected for examination. In order to examine how the human subject's dynamics can be incorporated into humanoid robot or robot prosthetic design, a nonlinear dynamics controller was developed to coordinate and control each of the ankle, knee and hip joints. The robot simulation examined in this thesis is shown in Fig. 2.1c.

Each of the humanoid robot's ankle, knee and hip joints is actuated by a servo actuator. Regenerative braking is realized through four-quadrant operation of the DC motor (inside the servo actuator) via an H-Bridge. This chapter details the background and theory that is used to drive the kinematics of the robot model. Specifics related to anatomical dimensioning, joint trajectories and motor characteristics are discussed in Ch. 3. The resulting dynamics data is examined in Chapter 4.

Author	# of Subjects (Age)	Transfer Motion	Kinematic	Kinetics	Extractable Data?
Roebroeck et al. [54]	10 (23 - 35)	Si2St	Yes (hip/knee/ankle graphs)	Yes (joint torque and veloc- itv graphs)	Yes (Engauge)
Kerr et al. [31]	50 (20.1 - 78.3)	Si2St2Si	No	No	No
Mak et al. [36]	13 (63 - 72)	Si2St	Yes	Yes	Yes (Engauge)
	[6 Healthy,7 Parkinson's Disease]		(hip/knee/ankle graphs)	(ground force and joint torque graphs)	1
Yoshioka et al. [69]	5 (23 - 29)	Si2St	Yes	Yes	Yes (Engauge)
			(hip/knee/ankle graphs)	(joint torque and veloc- ity graphs)	
Schultz et al. [57]	51 (19-31:63-86:75-92)	Si2St	No	Yes	No
	[17 Healthy:23 Healthy			(Mean joint torque val-	
	Elderly:11 Assistance- required Elderly]			ues with comparison values from other liter-	
				ature)	
Hemami et al. [21]	N/A (Simulated data)	Si2St2Si	Yes	Yes	No (figures are faint)
			(hip/knee/ankle graphs)	(joint torque graphs)	
Nuzik et al. [44]	55 (20 - 48)	Si2St	Yes	No	Yes (MATLAB)
			(hip/knee/ankle numerical data)		
Kralj et al. [33]	20 (24 - 51)	Si2St2Si	Yes	No	Yes (Engauge)
			(hip/knee/ankle graphs)	(raw force plate data only)	
Doorenbosch et al. [13]	9 (23.5 - 30.5)	Si2St	Yes	Yes	Yes (Engauge)
			(hip/knee/ankle graphs)	(joint torque graphs)	
Snepnera et al. [38]	0 (20 - 30)	16216	Yes (hin/knee/ankle oranhe)	Yes (inint tormue oranhe)	res (Engauge)
Eyes, JAPAN Co. Ltd [16]	1 (no subject data)	St2Si2St	Yes	No	Yes (MATLAB)
			(hip/knee/ankle numeri- cal data)		

Table 2.1: Published kinematic and kinetic data on Si2St, Si2St2Si and St2Si2St Stance

2.1 Biomechanics of Sitting & Standing

A robot model was created in MapleSim to mimic a 1/10th scale human adult male, based primarily on data from [67]. The model is based on the kinematics and dynamics for a three-segment-three-revolute manipulator arm. To study the energetics of the Si2St2Si motion, we require motion data of the gait. There has been extensive research on lower extremity kinematics of the Si2St and Si2St2Si movements but limited papers on St2Si. There has generally been more focus on the Si2St movement as it is a prerequisite for gait (like walking and running) while Si2St2Si and St2Si requires greater control effort durint the sit-down phase. Sitting-down requires more joint and muscle control since the person is generally not looking at his/her approach towards the chair. Table 2.1 is a summary of published articles that contain kinematic information. In this chapter we examine the fundamental development of the generalized robot model, with specifics related to anatomical features and joint trajectories discussed in Ch. 3.

2.1.1 General Kinematic Model

Maplesoft's MapleSim 5 was used to perform kinematic and dynamic simulations [37]. MapleSim is a physical modeling and simulation tool that we used to develop our multibody biomechanical model.

A one degree of freedom (DoF) inverted pendulum model (Fig. 2.1a) was first constructed in MapleSim as a basis for understanding modeling and control. The nonlinear angular trajectory controller was derived from Craig [7, pg 293-94] and is explained in greater detail in section 2.1.2.

Two biomechanical models were then developed that extended the one DOF model. The first model features a ground-fixed ankle while the second model features a foot with two ground-contact points (heel and ball of foot). A review of literature on biomechanical research show that most computer models exploit sagittal plane symmetry and use one leg in simulations [21, 51, 69, 36, 11]. To simplify analysis, this research will also use sagittal symmetry to simplify the model.



(a) Single DOF inverted pendulum model (left) and MapleSim model (right)



(b) Ground-fixed 3-segment, 3-revolute inverted pendulum (left) and 3D MapleSim model (right)



(c) 3-segment, 3-revolute inverted pendulum with foot (left) and 3D MapleSim model (right)

Figure 2.1: Progressive development of the Si2St2Si "pendulum" model

Parameter	Description	Unit
$ heta_1$	Ankle angle	[deg.]
θ_2	Knee angle	[deg.]
θ_3	Hip angle	[deg.]
m_0	Foot mass	[kg]
m_1	Shank mass	[kg]
m_2	Thigh mass	[kg]
m_3	Head,arms,trunk (HAT) mass	[kg]
l_{01}	Lower foot segment length	[m]
l_{02}	Upper foot segment length	[m]
l_{11}	Lower shank segment length	[m]
l_{12}	Upper shank segment length	[m]
l_{21}	Lower thigh segment length	[m]
l_{22}	Upper thigh segment length	[m]
l_{31}	Lower HAT segment length	[m]
l_{32}	Upper HAT segment length	[m]
F_H	Foot heel force	[N]
F_B	Foot ball force	[N]

Table 2.2: MapleSim three-segment, three-revolute inverted pendulum parameters

Since feet movement is not required and moves very little in the Si2St and St2Si movement, the first computer model was simplified to a three-segment, three revolute inverted pendulum model [8] where the ankle was fixed to the ground (i.e. no foot). This is shown in Fig. 2.1b and the equivalent MapleSim 3D world model is shown on the right. The model parameters are described in Table 2.2.

Our second computer model is unhinged from the ground and two ground contact models are added to represent the foot (heel and ball of foot contact points). This allows us to measure the contact forces exerted by the model onto the ground. This is shown in Fig. 2.1c and the parameters are described in Table 2.2.

2.1.2 General Dynamics Model

To begin, the equation of motion for the pendulum of Fig. 2.1a is shown in Eq. 2.1. This was generated using the MapleSim multibody analysis worksheet function.

$$\tau(t) = Izz_{shank} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_1(t) + l_{11}^2 m_1 \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_1(t) + \sin(\theta_1(t)) l_{11}gm_1$$
(2.1)

where τ is the joint torque, Izz_{shank} is the z-axis inertia, l_{11} is the lower link length, θ_1 is the revolute angle, m_1 is the link center of mass and g is the gravitational constant.

Following a similar approach to the single pendulum, the equations of motion were generated for the fixed-ankle model (Fig. 2.1b). This assumes that foot movement is neglible during the Si2St and St2Si movements and therefore behaves as a three-segment, three-revolute inverted pendulum. The rigid-body dynamics have the form

$$\tau = M(\theta)\ddot{\theta} + V(\theta,\dot{\theta}) + G(\theta)$$
(2.2)

where $M(\theta)$ is the *n* x *n* mass matrix of the three-segment, three-revolute arm, $V(\theta, \theta)$ is an *n* x 1 vector of centrifugal and Coriolis components, and $G(\theta)$ is an *n* x 1 vector of gravitational components. The mass matrix for Fig. 2.1b is represented by a 3 x 3 system of the form

$$M(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \beta_3 \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \gamma_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(2.3)

The 3 x 1 vector of centrifugal and Coriolis components is of the form

$$V(\theta, \dot{\theta}) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \\ \delta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(2.4)

and the 3 x 1 vector of gravitational components is of the form

$$G(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \zeta_1 \\ \zeta_2 \\ \zeta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(2.5)

The expanded form for Eq. 2.3 - 2.5 can be found Appendix A.



Figure 2.2: Equivalent circuit of a dc motor. Adapted from [41]. The parameter descriptions can be found in Table 2.3

2.2 Actuation

In each of the model's actuated joints is a servo that is composed of a DC permanent magnet (PM) motor and a gear box. This section describes the electromechanical relationship in a DC PM motor.

2.2.1 Electrical Motor Model

We require a direct current (DC) motor model in MapleSim to simulate our Dynamixel RX-28 actuator. One method is to use the Maple custom component worksheet to create a DC motor model from a set of mathematical equations that describe the conversion between electrical and mechanical power. The equivalent circuit of a dc motor is shown in Fig. 2.2 and is described in Mohan [41, pg. 7-13 - 7-15]. A summary of the variables is described in Table 2.3.

The armature current i_a produces an electromagnetic torque

Parameter	Description	Unit
<i>i</i> _a	armature current	А
v_a	armature voltage	V
R_a	armature resistance	Ω
L_a	armature inductance	Η
e_a	back-electromotive force (back-emf)	V
ω_m	motor shaft rotational speed	rad/s
J_M	Motor inertia	$kg \cdot m^2$
J_L	Load inertia	$kg \cdot m^2$
T_{em}	Electromagnetic torque	Nm
T_L	Load torque	Nm

Table 2.3: DC motor equivalent circuit parameters [41]

$$T_{em} = k_T i_a \tag{2.6}$$

where k_T is the motor torque constant that is given in the manufacturer motor datasheet. The rotational speed of the motor ω_m induces a voltage that is proportional to the rate at which the conductors cut through a magnetic field. This induced voltage is also called the back-electromotive force (back-emf). This voltage opposes the armature voltage and its magnitude can be calculated by

$$e_a = k_E \omega_m \tag{2.7}$$

where k_E is the motor voltage constant that is given in the manufacturer motor datasheet. The electrical and mechanical equations that describe Fig. **??** are

$$v_a = e_a + R_a i_a + L_a \frac{di_a}{dt}$$
(2.8)

and

$$\frac{d\omega_m}{dt} = \frac{1}{(J_M + J_L)}(T_{em} - T_L)$$
(2.9)

The above equations are used to simulate the DC permanent magnet motor model.

2.3 Regenerative Braking

Regenerative braking refers to using the power associated with the counter electromotive force (CEMF) voltage of an electric motor to charge a battery. In normal operation mode, the battery is used to provide positive power to an electric motor. In braking, the electric motor acts as a generator and negative power assists in injecting energy back into the battery.

2.3.1 Four Quadrant Operation

Four quandrant operation of a DC motor refers to the four possible regions that a dc motor can operate in. This is shown in Fig. 2.3.

In quadrant one, positive velocity and positive torque is applied to the system and therefore will be in motoring mode generating positive power. In quadrant two, the system is braking but continues to have positive momentum (hence positive velocity due to the inertia of the system). However, the torque is now negative and therefore generates negative power. During braking, if the CEMF and inductance of the motor wiring were to generate a voltage greater than the applied motor voltage, the resulting effect will be a reverse current (i.e. negative current) through the motor circuit. Since electric motor torque is proportional to the current, a negative current will result in negative torque. The motor is acting as a generator. Similarly, quadrant three is in motoring mode but in the reverse direction. Quadrant four is in braking.

2.3.2 H-Bridge Theory

The circuit in Fig. 2.4a is called an H-bridge for its four switching elements (Q_1 to Q_4) that are located in each corner of the 'H-configuration' with a load sitting across the middle bar. Q_1 and Q_2 will be referred to as high-side switches while the bottom bridge will have low-side switches.

The bridge takes in a DC single supply voltage and applies four quadrant control to the load via the switching elements. In general, all switches can be turned on and off



Figure 2.3: Four-Quadrant Operation

	Swi	tch S	tate	
Q_1	Q_2	Q_3	Q_4	Bridge/Motor Effect
0	0	0	0	n/a
0	0	0	1	n/a
0	0	1	0	n/a
0	0	1	1	Dynamic braking
0	1	0	0	n/a
0	1	0	1	Not permitted
0	1	1	0	Reverse/Regeneration
0	1	1	1	Not permitted
1	0	0	0	n/a
1	0	0	1	Forward/Regeneration
1	0	1	0	Not permitted
1	0	1	1	Not permitted
1	1	0	0	Dynamic braking
1	1	0	1	Not permitted
1	1	1	0	Not permitted
1	1	1	1	Not permitted

Table 2.4: H-Bridge Operation Map

independently but certain switching combinations will result in bridge failure. Table 2.4 is a mapping of the possible on and off states and its effect on the bridge.

The motor is engaged forward when switch Q_1 and Q_4 are on as shown in Fig. 2.4b. This allows current to flow through the positive terminal of the motor. Similarly, reversing the direction of the motor is achieved by switching Q_2 and Q_3 on (Fig. 2.4c). Dynamic braking is achieved by either turning on the high-side switches or turning on the low-side switches. This effectively shorts the motor and the generator effect of the motor works against itself. Switches on the left-side or right-side must never be turned on at the same time (i.e. Q_1 and Q_3 on) as this will cause a shorting between power and ground.

Sign-Magnitude Drive

Sign-magnitude drives require a direction signal bit and another bit to vary the power (PWM) delivered to the motor. One control method is to enable one of the low-side



(a) H-Bridge Schematic with Motor





Figure 2.4: Current flow for forward and reverse motor control

switches (i.e. forward or reverse) while its corresponding high-side switch is pulsed (PWM). Another method is to have the signal bit turn on one high-side/low-side switch pair (i.e. Q_1 and Q_4 or Q_2 and Q_3) and have the power bit enable the PWM power to the bridge. Regenerative energy is acquired when the back-emf voltage is greater than the applied voltage to the motor. When the switch pairs are on in braking, negative current is fed back into the power supply. However, regeneration is recoverable only in the direction that the direction bit is activated.

Locked Anti-Phase Drive

In locked anti-phase drive mode, the bridge is always powered on and is forward and reverse driven at each cycle. One single PWM signal is sent to the bridge that engages or disengages diagonally opposite pairs of switches, hence "anti-phase." If a 50% duty cycle is applied to the bridge, the average voltage across the motor terminals is zero. If we increase the duty cycle greater than 50%, the average on-time across the motors will be greater on the left-side than on the right-side and the average applied voltage will drive the motor direction forward. Similarly, motor reversal is achieved when the duty cycle is below 50%. Since the bridge is always active in both forward and reverse directions, regeneration happens automatically in all four quadrants. The PWM control resolution is also reduced by half when compared to the sign-magnitude drive mapping. Whereas the sign-magnitude drive system can utilize the full spectrum of the PWM signal for one direction, the locked anti-phase drive has to use the same signal to control forward and reverse directions.

Our simulations will be modeled after the locked anti-phase drive for its simplicity in using one control signal bit (PWM) to modulate motor power, for its autonomous four quadrant operation and for its compatibility with the continuous-time model. The details for this model will be discussed in section 3.2.3.
Chapter 3 Component Design & Simulations

THE process of simulation and analysis is widely used in the industry and has helped to reduce total design time by finding errors and/or improvments early during the design stage before its implemented in hardware development.

This section presents simulation and design for a scaled robot. The model was used to show and verify possible regenerative energy recovery during specific phases of the Si2St and Stand to Sit (St2Si) movements. First, a computer model was designed with the proposed 1/10-scaled anthropometric data and hardware specifications. The computer model follows Sit to Stand, Stand to Sit trajectories from extracted biomechanical data in the form of a look-up table. Next, the proposed hardware is examined in simulation to show that it will generate the required joint torques to follow the desired trajectory. Finally, a 1/10 scaled robot model is developed with Dynamixel RX-28 actuators to actuate the ankle, knee and hip joints in MapleSim.

3.1 Kinematic Data

3.1.1 Data Extraction for Biomechanics Literature

The simulation model and proposed robotic testbed requires trajectory data for the ankle, knee and hip joint actuators. Since we are interested in determining the specific phases of one complete Si2St2Si cycle for electrical energy recovery, it is desired to have a continuous Si2St2Si or Si2St and St2Si combinations per subject trial. It was mentioned in Chapter 1



(a) Original data from [33] being examined by Engauge [15] and

(b) Extracted data plotted in MATLAB

Figure 3.1: Trajectory data after a low-pass Butterworth filter

that age plays a significant factor in the Si2St and St2Si gait as required muscle strength in performing the movement decreases with increasing age. Since we were looking for a general baseline of normal trajectories for the robot, it was therefore important to choose datasets that were composed of young healthy adults.

Since we did not have access to the original Si2St and St2Si datasets, we extracted datapoints from various high-quality print published literatures using a software tool called Engauge as shown in Fig. 3.1a. Engauge extracts data points by digitizing the original graphical plot and the user traces over the digitized plot by placing points along the curve. The extracted data is saved as a Microsoft Excel file that can be imported into the MapleSim model. Fig. 3.1b shows a MATLAB plot of the extracted data.

There were five papers [54, 36, 69, 13, 58] that published the clearest Si2St joint trajectory profile figures for Engauge extraction.From Table 2.1, Hemami et al. [21] and Kralj et al. [33] published complete Si2St2Si kinematic trajectory figures for the lower extremity joints. However, only [33] were suitable for extraction.

The axes are calibrated by adjusting the length of the scaling bar and entering the minimum and maximum axis values. Engauge then uses extrapolation to find all the data points on the curve. However, the precision between the digitized plot and the

Parameter	Variable	1:1 Scale	1:10 Scale
Shank length [cm]	$l_{11} + l_{12}$	43.3	4.33
Thigh length [cm]	$l_{21} + l_{22}$	43.1	4.31
Hip to HAT (Head, Arms, Torso) [cm]	$l_{31} + l_{32}$	33.4	3.34
Shank mass [kg]	m_1	3.2	0.32
Thigh mass [kg]	m_2	6.8	0.68
HAT mass [kg]	m_3	46.0	4.60

Table 3.1: Anthropometric measurements between a full-scale model (left) and 1:10-scaled no-foot model (right). The variables can be found on Fig. 2.1

original data plot is dependent on the number of placed data points. The use of original biomechanical data would be an ideal and accurate method for trajectory generation but this method is sufficient with some limitations in accuracy.

3.1.2 Kinematic Model Parameters

Kinematic parameters for the robotic surrogate are derived from experimental subject data collected from Roebroeck et al. [54] and anthropometric segment ratios from Winter [67]. Ten healthy subjects with a mean age of 27 ± 3.5 years, mean height of 1.76 ± 0.1 m and a mean weight of $67.8 \pm$ kg participated in Roebroeck et al.'s study. The anthropometric summary based on this data is summarized in Table 3.1 in the left and 1/10-scaled data on the right.

3.1.3 Trajectory Generator

The ankle, knee and hip trajectories that were collected from Kralj et al. [33] were ported into MapleSim. There was significant noise in the trajectories due to digitization extraction. A low-pass Butterworth filter (with a filter order of two and 5 Hz cut-off frequency) was then applied to the trajectory signal to smooth out the noise.

As shown in Fig. 3.2a, the two signals have a close correlation to each other. The MATLAB 'xcorr' command was used to determine the cross-correlation between the two signals. The two signals have a cross-correlation index of 0.999 with a time-lag of 10.

	MATLAB xcorr Results		
Joint Parameter	Correlation Index	Time-Lag	
Ankle Trajectory	0.999	10	
Knee Trajectory	0.999	10	
Hip Trajectory	0.999	10	

Table 3.2: Correlation values between raw and filtered signals of the ankle, knee and hip.

Similarly, the knee and hip trajectories were also passed through the same filter and their figures shown in Fig. 3.2b and in Fig. 3.2c. Table 3.2 summarizes the cross-correlation results determined from MATLAB.

3.2 MapleSim Component Design

3.2.1 Dynamixel RX-28 Servo

Actuation of the lower limb joints of the robot model will require electrical actuators capable of generating the required trajectory torques and angular speeds. The largest moment force will be experienced at the knee during initial chair lift-off. From Table 3.1, the maximum knee torque for the 1/10-scaled model was calculated to be 0.22 Nm assuming that chair lift-off is 90 degrees. The maximum angular velocity amongst the joints is located at the hip and measured to be approximately 100 deg/s (or 1.75 rad/s) [54]. Our objective was to develop a low-cost off-the-shelf prototype to study regenerative braking feasibility towards lower extremity orthosis/prothesis applications. To meet this requirement, we used existing components in the lab. Within the Biomedical Robotics and Rehabilitation Group at Ryerson University, our lab uses Dynamixel RX-28 actuators for many of the lab projects. Fig. 3.3 is an example of a legged robot project that uses the Dynamixel RX-28.

The Dynamixel RX-28 actuator is a high performance digital servo shown in Fig. 3.4a. The unit comes off-the-shelf with internal circuitry to track angular shaft speed, angular shaft position, voltage and load over a RS-485 communication bus (Fig. 3.4c). It has







Original versus Filtered Trajectory Signal (Knee)





(c) Hip trajectory data after a low-pass Butterworth filter

Figure 3.2: Trajectory data after a low-pass Butterworth filter



Figure 3.3: GARP5: Example project that also uses the Dynamixel RX-28 actuator. (Photo courtesy of Jamil Jivraj, BioRRG, Ryerson University.)



(a) Off-the-shelf RX-28

(b) RX-28 internal motor



(c) Original RX-28 internal circuitry including microcontroller and power stage (H-bridge)



(d) Speed versus Torque Graph of RE-max 17 in MapleSim 5.0. Saturation is evident in the curve from lower right to the upper left.

Figure 3.4: RX-28 internal circuitry and motor

Parameter	Published Values	Metric Values
Weight	72 g	0.072 kg
Gear Ratio (material)	1:193 (metal)	n/a
Operation Voltage	12 V - 18.5 V	n/a
	12 V (Nominal)	n/a
	14.8 V (Recommended)	n/a
	18.5 V (Maximum)	n/a
Stall Torque (after gearing)	37.0 kgf.cm (at 18.5 V, 1.9 A)	3.62 Nm (at 18.5 V, 1.9 A)
	28.3 kgf.cm (at 12.0 V, 1.2 A)	2.78 Nm (at 12.0 V, 1.2 A)
No load speed (after gearing)	60 rpm (at 12.0 V)	6.3 rad/s (at 12.0 V)
	79 rpm (at 16.0 V)	8.3 rad/s (at 16.0 V)
	85 rpm (at 18.5 V)	8.9 rad/s (at 18.5 V)
Motor	"Proprietary Maxon Motor"	

Table 3.3: Dynamixel RX-28 Performance Specifications [27, 52]

a built-in microcontroller that continuously monitors and handles all the control and communication. The RX-28 hardware and performance specifications are listed in Table 3.3.

Next, the RX-28 actuator was modeled in MapleSim. To develop the actuator, electrical and mechanical parameters of the Maxon motor inside the RX-28 were required. However, Robotis and Maxon Motors have made this information proprietary. To determine the motor parameters, we extracted the motor from its plastic casing to measure its physical dimensions (Fig. 3.4b). The nameplate number on the motor was 275338. A Procise Vernier caliper (model #: 0121230) [47] was used to measure the dimensions of the motor. The diameter was measured to be 17 mm with a length of 25.2 mm. The mass of the motor was measured to be 0.026 kg using a Starfrit 93016 digital scale [26]. The terminal inductance and resistance of the motor were each measured three times and averaged with a Wavetek Meterman LCR55 component tester [39]. The user's manual data on the gear ratio, stall torque and no-load speed at nominal voltage (at shaft-output) was used to determine the input-shaft no-load speed and stall torque

		RX-28 Maxon Motor	
Parameter	Maxon RE-max 17 [42]	Calculated/Measured	Robotis [27, 53]
Stall torque (shaft input)	0.0144 Nm	0.0144 Nm	3.63 Nm (gear output shaft)
No-load speed (shaft input)	11500 rpm (1204 rad/s)	11580 rpm (1212 rad/s)	8.90 rad/s (gear output shaft)
Nominal voltage	12.0 V		12.0 V
Start current	1.45 A	-	1.2 A
Terminal resistance	8.30Ω	8.55Ω (avg.)	n/a
Terminal inductance	0.206 mH	0.196 mH (avg.)	n/a
Motor diameter	17 mm	17.0 mm	n/a
Motor length	25.4 mm	25.2 mm	n/a
Motor weight	0.026 kg	0.026 kg	n/a
Nameplate data	214897	275338	n/a



$$gear shaft speed (rpm) x gear ratio = motor shaft speed (rpm)$$
$$60 rpm x 193 = 11580 rpm$$
(3.1)

$$gear stall torque (Nm) / gear ratio = motor stall torque (Nm)$$
$$2.78 Nm / 193 = 0.0144 Nm$$
(3.2)

With the calculated values in Eq. 3.1 and 3.2, measured dimensions and measured electrical characteristics, the RX-28 motor was a close match to the Maxon RE-max 17, order number 214897 [42] and is summarized in Table 3.4. The values for stall torque and no-load speed were calculated while the physical parameters of the motor and terminal resistance/inductance were measured. The datasheet for the Maxon RE-max 17 can be found in Appendix B. Neither Maxon Motors nor Robotis will confirm the RE-max 17 and the name plate on the RX-28 motor does not match any known type in the current Maxon product catalog. Similar parameter studies on RX-28 motor determination have also concluded on the RE-max 17, order number 214897 [25, 56].

Next, the motor parameter specifications are used to create the RX-28 actuator. MapleSim is capable of creating a motor model in one of the following ways,

	Motor Data		
Parameter	As published [42]	SI	
Motor order number	214897	-	
Nominal voltage	12.0 V	-	
No-load speed	11500 rpm	1204 rad/s	
Stall torque	14.4 mNm	0.0144 Nm	
Terminal resistance	8.30Ω	-	
Terminal inductance	0.206 mH	2.06 x 10 ⁻⁴ H	
Torque constant	9.92 mNm/A	9.92 x 10 ⁻³ Nm/A	
Speed constant	962 rpm/V	100.7 rad/s/V	
Rotor inertia	0.864 gcm ²	8.64 x 10 ⁻⁸ kgm ²	

Table 3.5: Maxon Motor RE-max 17 data

- Directly typing in Eq. 2.6 2.9 into a custom-component block
- Using the MapleSim discrete components
- Using the DC permanent magnet motor component
- Create a MATLAB Simulink-like model.

Each one of these methods is capable of producing the same equivalent motor model. We seek to create a model that will allow us to measure and visualize the electrical relationship between the internal components of the motor. The MapleSim discrete components method was therefore chosen for its ability to allow measurement of the required internal electrical characteristics of the motor.

The completed model is based on the characterization values in Table 3.4 and the Maxon Motor RE-max 17 datasheet [42]. Table 3.5 displays the motor data from the Maxon Motor catalog that is used in our MapleSim model. The block diagram for the model for the RX-28 actuator is shown in Fig. 3.5 and the MapleSim equivalent model can be found in Appendix G. Fig. 3.4d is the speed-torque graph of the RE-max 17 model. The motor model has a stall torque of 14.4 mNm and 11500 rpm (1200 rad/s) which correlates well with the published values of the RE-max 17 motor data.



Figure 3.5: Functional block view of the RX-28 Actuator Model. The MapleSim implementation is found in Appendix G on pg. 105.

3.2.2 NiMH Battery Model

Power must be delivered to the dc motor actuators during positive cycles of the Si2St2Si motion. For an unconstrained Si2St2Si rehabilitative device to be feasible for everyday use, the system must run on its own power supply. Many battery technologies exist in the industry to power various portable devices. Some of the more popular topologies include lead acid; nickel-metal hydride (NiMH); lithium polymer (LiPo) as well as lithium ion. To simplify analysis, our robotic surrogate testbed will use the common NiMH rechargeable battery supply. Our model will assume that the battery is capable of handling the recharge levels during regenerative braking without damage and therefore will not require any additional power conditioning circuitry.

Software-based battery modeling is an active area of research but until recently, has been limited to simple models that often do not adequately describe the complex chemical reactions in the battery. Accurate models have the benefit of predicting and optimizing the lifetime in battery performance. Given an applied load to a battery over a certain period, performance criteria such as state of charge (SOC) or knowing when battery failure occurs can be used to trade-off system performance for extending battery lifetime at the design stages of model development.

The MapleSim modeling library contains a battery model that is based upon the work by Dao et al. [9]. This model accounts for the electrochemical processes and thermodynamic behavior of the NiMH battery and describes these equations as a set of equivalent electrical components interconnected to each other.

The nickel-metal hydride battery model is shown in Appendix H (Fig. H.1) on pg. 107. It is based on a 4.5 Ahr made by North American Battery Company (NABC). The battery data was measured at A&D Technology's laboratory in Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA [9]. To validate this battery model, a MapleSim test circuit was constructed (Fig. 3.6a) to discharge the battery to assess its performance characteristics. The MapleSim equivalent model can be found in Appendix H. The discharge curve in Fig. 3.6b shows voltage levels for different discharge rates. Fig. 3.7 shows total charge depletion, SOC and voltage levels for a 1C, 4.5 Ahr discharge rate.



(a) Functional block of battery discharge circuit for MapleSim. The MapleSim implementation is found in Appendix H on pg. 107



(b) Discharge curves for 1C, 0.5C, 0.25C and 0.425C

Figure 3.6: MapleSim NiMH Battery Model Test Circuit



Figure 3.7: 1-Cell discharge testing at 1C, 4.5Ahr



Figure 3.8: Block diagram for Test Circuit of the Discontinuous-time H-Bridge Model. The MapleSim implementation is found in Appendix I on pg. 110

3.2.3 Continuous-time H-Bridge Model

Our simulations will be modeled after the locked anti-phase drive for its simplicity in using one control signal bit (PWM) to modulate motor power, for its autonomous four quadrant operation and for its compatibility with the continuous-time model. The block diagram for the test circuit of the discontinuous H-Bridge is shown in Fig. 3.8. Its MapleSim equivalent models are detailed in Appendix I. The operation of this circuit was discussed in section 2.3.2.

It is desirable to have a continuous-time model for simulation speed. The H-bridge that has been discussed above is a discontinuous-time model because of the switching elements. High frequency switch firing results in the variable changing rapidly at the discontinuous points. This leads to longer simulation times because the solver needs to take many small time steps within the vicinity. Simulation engines in modeling programs such as MATLAB and MapleSim use techniques that try to determine these discontinuities to improve simulation time but it can also halt simulations before they are completed. Thus, it is desired to simplify the model to reduce or eliminate these discontinuities while preserving its behavior and operation.

At high frequency switching speeds, the motor inductance acts as a low-pass filter that changes the alternating current into a DC value. This value is the average DC voltage that is applied to the motor. Thus, we can treat the average DC voltage as a continuous



Figure 3.9: Functional block diagram for Continuous-time model of discontinuous-time H-Bridge. The MapleSim implementation is found in Appendix I on pg. 110

voltage signal applied to our motor simulation model. Fig. I.3 is a modified test circuit of Fig. I.1.

The functional block diagram for the continuous-time domain model is shown in Fig. 3.9. Fig. I.4 in Appendix I shows the simplified MapleSim converter block that models the behavior of locked anti-phase driven H-Bridge. The trajectory-based input voltage signal is fed into the signal voltage component (SV_1) and a power (EPS_1) sensor takes measurements per time step. The voltage sensor (VS_1) measures the voltage across the battery terminals and this value is divided by the power sensor reading to determine the current draw and direction on the battery. Recharging and discharging of the battery is accomplished by the signal current component (SC_1).

The simplified drive was validated against the discontinuous locked anti-phase model shown in Fig. I.1. The state of charge (SOC) comparison graph in Fig. 3.10 show that the continuous-time model is a close approximation to the discontinuous-time H-bridge model. The SOC regeneration in the discontinuous model is slightly less than the continuous model and maybe attributed to regeneration losses during switching. The simulation firing frequency of the H-Bridge switches was set at 32 kHz while the continuous-time model has no discontinuities and all available energy is recovered. Furthermore, the Si2St2Si motion is completed within ten seconds, with the largest deviation on the graph



Figure 3.10: State of Charge versus Time Graph of Continuous-time and Discontinuous-time H-Bridge Models. The initial SOC level is 0.8 at time = 0s

occuring around 9.5 seconds. This also bounds the error to have a maximum full scale error of 3.89×10^{-5} %.

Table 3.6 lists the performance times for two different computer systems. There is a significant impact in simplifying model as seen between the simulation times. The performance increase between continuous and discontinuous modeling is a factor of 500x for the Dell Inspiron 6000) and 583x for the Mac.

3.2.4 Nonlinear Controller Block

The Si2St and St2Si motion can be thought of as a three-link, three-revolute manipulator problem (Torso:Thigh:Shank and Hip:Knee:Ankle). Robotic manipulator systems in many areas of industrial robotics are generally nonlinear systems with a large envelope of control space. If the operation space is relatively small or if operation speed is relatively slow, then the controller can be linearized to a set of *N* independent single input, single output

	Simulation Times	
Computer Specifications	Continuous	Discontinuous
Dell Inspiron 6000 Intel Pentium M at 1.73 GHz 2 GB RAM Win XP SP3	2.7s	1323s (22 min.)
Apple iMac Intel Dual Core i3 at 3.06 GHz 4 GB RAM Mac OS X 10.6.8	0.53s	309s (5.1 min.)

Table 3.6: H-Bridge simulation times for Continuous-time and Discontinuous-time Models

(SISO) control systems. In the case of human locomotion, gait transfers such as Si2St and St2Si are highly dynamic and follow a large trajectory where nonlinearities play a more dominant role. In the study of biological systems and cybernetics, it is proposed that the nervous system performs inverse dynamics in accomplishing a task [51]. Required forces to accomplish the desired task are calculated by the nervous system and the signals are sent to the joints and muscles to produce those forces.

One important task in a robot system is trajectory tracking control. Computed torque control is a nonlinear control scheme and has been shown to be an effective scheme for controlling robotic manipulators under low speed operation [18]. Hemami et al. [21] also explored a ground-fixed three-link, three-revolute Si2St model with a nonlinear controller for trajectory control at the joints. However, their model limitations include the absence of surface support from a chair (i.e. no account for support forces during Si2St and St2Si) and no saturation limits were considered for joint angles and their rates.

Our objective is to control the movment of the model to follow trajectories specified in biomechanical literature and to derive from this model the controlled dynamics of the mechanical torques and electrical characteristics that are required to achieve these trajectories.

One degree-of-freedom control example

To begin, consider the open loop model of the manipulator in Eq. 2.1 in which we wish to design a control law as seen in Fig. 3.11. We will adopt the convention outlined in Craig [7, pg. 262 - 316] where the controller will be partitioned into a **model-based portion** and a **servo-based portion**. The model-based portion is of the form

$$\tau = \alpha \tau' + \beta \tag{3.3}$$

where α and β are functions or constants and are chosen to isolate τ' such that it appears to have a unit moment of inertia for any given input [7]. Equating Eq. 2.1 and Eq. 3.3 gives

$$[Izz_{shank} + {l_{11}}^2 m_1] \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_1(t) + \sin(\theta_1(t)) l_{11}gm_1 = \alpha \tau' + \beta$$
(3.4)

in which we choose α and β to be

$$\alpha = Izz_{shank} + l_{11}^2 m_1 \tag{3.5}$$

and

$$\beta = \sin(\theta_1(t))l_{11}gm_1. \tag{3.6}$$

Substituting Eq. 3.5 and 3.6 into Eq. 3.4 has the effect of reducing the system to appear as a unit moment of inertia for τ' input

$$\tau' = I_{um} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_1(t) \tag{3.7}$$

where I_{um} is the unit moment of inertia and has units in $kg \cdot m^2$. It is equal to one for the single degree of freedom example.

Next, we seek a servo-based portion of the control law to close the open-loop dynamics of Eq. 3.7 for a given trajectory. The trajectory is a function of time, $\theta_d(t)$, that specifies

the desired angular position of the manipulator joint at each time t. The servo error is therefore defined as the difference between the desired and actual angular trajectory, $e = \theta_d - \theta$. A servo control law is realized by

$$\tau' = \ddot{\theta}_d + K_v \dot{e} + K_p e \tag{3.8}$$

where K_v and K_p are the control gains that we seek to obtain critical damping for the system. Substituting Eq. 3.7 into Eq. 3.8 and equating it to zero is

$$0 = \ddot{e} + K_v \dot{e} + K_p e \tag{3.9}$$

This is our characteristic error equation in which we can tune coefficients K_v and K_p to the desired response that we seek. The nonlinear torque controller for the single pendulum is therefore

$$\tau(t) = (Izz_{shank} + {l_{11}}^2 m_1)(\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\tau_{1d}(t) + Kv \frac{d}{dt}e_1(t) + Kp e_1(t)) + \sin(\theta_1(t))l_{11}gm_1$$
(3.10)

where τ_{1d} is the desired angular trajectory, K_v is the derivative gain, K_p is the proportional gain and e_1 is the trajectory tracking error. The diagram for Eq. 3.10 is shown in Fig. 3.11.

Three-link, three-revolute model

Using a similar approach to the single pendulum model example, the model is now extended to a three-link, three-revolute system. This manipulator configuration is a multiinput, multi-output (MIMO) type problem. In other words, we have a vector of desired joint positions, velocities and accelerations and the control law must calculate a vector of joint actuator signals that are tightly coupled together.

Since the system is a MIMO-type problem, the control law and its model-based and servo portions are now given in matrix-vector form [7, pg. 295 - 296]. Equation 3.3 becomes



Figure 3.11: Nonlinear controller derived from Craig [7]

$$\overline{\tau} = \overline{\alpha} \, \overline{\tau}' + \overline{\beta} \tag{3.11}$$

 $\overline{\tau}$, $\overline{\tau}'$ and $\overline{\beta}$ are 3x1 vectors and $\overline{\alpha}$ is a 3x3 matrix. For our rigid-body model, the open loop equation of motion is of the form

$$\overline{\tau} = \overline{M}(\theta)\overline{\ddot{\theta}} + \overline{V}(\theta, \dot{\theta}) + \overline{G}(\theta)$$
(3.12)

where $\overline{M}(\theta)$ is the 3x3 inertia matrix (Eq.2.3), $\overline{V}(\theta, \dot{\theta})$ is a 3x1 vector of centrifugal and Coriolis terms (Eq.2.4) and $\overline{G}(\theta)$ is a 3x1 vector of gravity terms (Eq.2.5) that were defined in section 2.1.2. We choose $\overline{\alpha}$ and $\overline{\beta}$ to be

$$\overline{\alpha} = \overline{M}(\theta)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \beta_3 \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \gamma_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.13)
$$\overline{\beta} = \overline{V}(\theta, \dot{\theta}) + \overline{G}(\theta)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 + \zeta_1 \\ \delta_2 + \zeta_2 \\ \delta_3 + \zeta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.14)

Again, equating Eq.3.12 with Eq.3.11 reduces the system to appear as an identity mass matrix for $\overline{\tau'}$

$$\overline{\tau'} = \overline{I} \,\overline{\ddot{\theta}} \tag{3.15}$$

The identity mass matrix has units in $kg \cdot m^2$. To simplify analysis, we have ignored friction and disturbances that are non-rigid-body related. The servo-based portion of the control law is

$$\overline{\tau}' = (\overline{\ddot{\theta}_d} + \overline{K_v}\overline{\dot{E}} + \overline{K_p}\overline{E})\overline{I}$$
(3.16)

where the 3*x*1 angular position error matrix \overline{E} is defined as

$$\overline{E} = \overline{\theta_d} - \overline{\theta} \tag{3.17}$$

and $\overline{\dot{E}}$ is the 3*x*1 angular velocity error matrix. Equating Eq. 3.15 with Eq. 3.16 results in the characteristic error equation

$$0 = \overline{\vec{E}} + \overline{K_v}\overline{\vec{E}} + \overline{K_p}\overline{\vec{E}}$$
(3.18)

where the gain vectors $\overline{K_v}$ and $\overline{K_p}$ are diagonal 3x3 matrices,

$$\overline{K_{p}} = \begin{bmatrix}
K_{p_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & K_{p_{2}} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & K_{p_{3}}
\end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{K_{v}} = \begin{bmatrix}
K_{v_{1}} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & K_{v_{2}} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & K_{v_{2}}
\end{bmatrix}$$
(3.19)
(3.20)

The nonlinear joint torque controllers for the ankle (θ_1), knee (θ_2) and hip (θ_3) can be realized by expanding Eq.3.16 and Eq.3.11

$$\overline{\tau'} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau'_1 \\ \tau'_2 \\ \tau'_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_{d_1} + K_{p_1}(\theta_{d_1} - \theta_1) + K_{v_1}(\dot{\theta}_{d_1} - \dot{\theta}_1) \\ \dot{\theta}_{d_2} + K_{p_2}(\theta_{d_2} - \theta_2) + K_{v_2}(\dot{\theta}_{d_2} - \dot{\theta}_2) \\ \dot{\theta}_{d_3} + K_{p_3}(\theta_{d_3} - \theta_3) + K_{v_3}(\dot{\theta}_{d_3} - \dot{\theta}_3) \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.21)

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\tau} &= \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_{ankle} \\ \tau_{knee} \\ \tau_{hip} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \beta_3 \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \gamma_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1' \\ \tau_2' \\ \tau_3' \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 + \zeta_1 \\ \delta_2 + \zeta_2 \\ \delta_3 + \zeta_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \tau_1' + \alpha_2 \tau_2' + \alpha_3 \tau_3' + \delta_1 + \zeta_1 \\ \beta_1 \tau_1' + \beta_2 \tau_2' + \beta_3 \tau_3' + \delta_2 + \zeta_2 \\ \gamma_1 \tau_1' + \gamma_2 \tau_2' + \gamma_3 \tau_3' + \delta_3 + \zeta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.22)

where θ_{d_1} , θ_{d_2} and θ_{d_3} are the desired angular position of the ankle, knee and hip. The expanded form of Eq.3.22 can be found in the Appendix on pages 86, 88 and 90.

3.2.5 Ground Contact Models

A unilateral ground contact model (Fig. J.1 is incorporated to verify the lower extremity joint motions meet stability during the Si2St2Si motion. A stable Si2St2Si transistion is realized by the total body COM over the foot as shown in Fig. 3.13. The ground contact model in the simulation was modified from Dr. Gilbert Lai's (MapleSim) simulation on a rotating rimless wheel and can be found in Appendix J. The surface friction relationship is

$$F_{friction} = (-K_d) \cdot \dot{x} \tag{3.23}$$

where K_d is the viscous damping coefficient with units of $N \cdot s/m$. The normal force relationship is

$$F_{normal} = K_p \cdot z + K_d \cdot \dot{z} \tag{3.24}$$

where K_p and K_d are spring and damping coefficients with units of N/m and $N \cdot s/m$. K_p and K_d were manually tuned to be $2 \times 10^{-11} N/m$ and $1.5 \times 10^{-11} N \cdot s/m$.



Figure 3.12: Functional block of ground-contact model. The MapleSim implementation is found in Appendix J on pg. 113

3.3 Parameter Space Search Simulations

3.3.1 Maple-MapleSim Scripting & MATLAB Post-Processing

Maplesoft Maple 15 was used to run parameter space searches on the effects of performance when varying gear ratio and battery size. A custom Maple script was written to execute simulations in parallel using computers in Ryerson University's Electrical Engineering undergraduate computer labs (EE Network - Room's ENG406 and ENG412). A total of thirty-six computers (18 for regeneration (ENG412) and 18 for no-regeneration(ENG406)) were used and each computer was assigned a specific gear ratio for simulations. Each computer is assigned a name in the network that simplifies remote login from terminal. The computer hardware specifications for ENG406 and ENG412 are listed in Table D.1 in Appendix D. Table D.2 and Table D.3 summarizes how the computers were utilized.

Due to memory and processing power constraints, the simulations are constrained to thirty minute increments. The data is saved to file and imported into MATLAB for post-processing.

A series of screenshots from a typical simulation is shown in Fig. 3.13. In Frame 1, the model is sitting on an invisible chair. The ground projected center of mass (gCOM) extends from the system's overall COM. Given that the gCOM is behind the foot in Frame 1, if the chair was not present, the model would fall over. From Frames 2 - 4, the model rises from the chair. This is the Sit-to-Stand (Si2St) movement. The gCOM moves towards the foot to prevent tipping over. The trajectory of the system's COM is traced in space as the model moves. For Frames 5-8, the model sits down again (St2Si). As the model contacts the seat, the gCOM leaves the foot region. The trajectory of the COM for both Si2St and St2Si is visible in Frame 8.

MATLAB was used to process the simulated data from the Maple-MapleSim simulations. The data packages for each gear ratio is concatenated to produce a complete set of simulation data.



Figure 3.13: Typical motion of MapleSim Model performing Sit-to-Stand and Stand-to-Sit Motion. Trajectory of the Centre of Mass (COM) is shown, as is the ground-projected COM (gCOM).

Chapter 4 Results and Analysis

THIS chapter details energy and efficiency comparisons between regeneration-enabled and regeneration-disabled Si2St2Si actuated systems. Worst-case-scenario (WCS) analysis are presented emphasizing energy consumption and time-of-actuation-failure (i.e. zero-trajectory tracking due to battery depletion) between regeneration-enabled and regeneration-disabled systems. For orthoses, prostheses and legged robots, the WCS situation is critical for the developer and end-user as field operation will not have a power outlet for battery recharging. WCS also allows us to gauge the benefits in applying regenerative technologies for design. The analysis assumes that regeneration is achieved through an ideal H-bridge continuous-time domain model that was presented in Appendix C.1.

Three main topics are analyzed in this chapter. First, in Section 4.1, we determine whether regeneration is possible in the Si2St2Si movement and, if so, how does it affect battery state of charge. The analysis is done for a 10:1 scale robot model powered by 18.1V batteries and using the stock RX-28 Dynamixel (193:1 gear ratio), while examing variable gear ratios. The scale model is the one shown in Fig. 2.1c and Fig. 3.13.

The second analysis, in Sec. 4.2, we examine the effect that varying both gear ratio and battery voltage have on the battery's state of charge, as well as on the model's ability to track desired joint trajectory profiles over time.

The third analysis is with respect to the level of detail of the model. The model currently takes into account torque contributions due to inertia, gravity, Coriolis and centrifugal components, as detailed in Eq. 2.2. This leads to a complex control model with a large number of terms which will be computationally taxing when implemented on a real device. Therefore we examine whether the Coriolis and centrifugal terms are necessary.

4.1 State-of-Charge (SOC) Analysis

State-of-charge (SOC) is an indicator on the capacity of a battery (0% = empty and 100% = full). Fig. 4.1 demonstrates that regeneration helps minimize the amount of SOC drop over one movement cycle (Si2St2Si). The objective of this section is to quantify and determine if the current RX-28 actuator is regenerative-optimized for the current scaled model. The RE-max 17 Maxon Motor parameters in the RX-28 was fixed while the gear ratio was varied to determine the gear ratio value that offered optimal regeneration. Fig. 4.2 shows regenerative effects on the SOC level for one Si2St2Si cycle as the gear ratio is varied between 100 to 600 in increments of 50. It is apparent that a ratio of 100:1 gearing results in the highest drain on the battery while the best results are found from 400:1 to 500:1.

It is evident in Fig. 4.2 that maximum regeneration occurs at higher gear ratio values. There has been extensive biomechanical studies and development for developing walking and running regenerative devices located at the knee. The knee also experiences the greatest load that further suggests regeneration maybe most effective at the knee. However, Fig. 4.2a - 4.2c suggests that regeneration is most effective at the hip for Si2St2Si motions. The ankle and knee actuators also benefit from regeneration but to a lesser degree.



Figure 4.1: Regeneration-enabled versus regeneration-disabled SOC Deviation comparison (193 Gear Ratio, 18.1V, 4.5 Ahr NiMH Battery). The initial state of the SOC level is 0.8 at time = 0s.



(c) Hip joint actuator

Figure 4.2: SOC Deviation for varying gear ratios, with regeneration enabled, for one Si2St2Si movement cycle (18.1V, 4.5 Ahr NiMH). The best regeneration results were obtained for the highest gear ratios where there was little deviation change. The initial SOC level is 0.8 at time = 0s.

4.2 Effect of Variable Gearing and Battery Voltage

It was shown in the previous section that peak SOC regeneration occurs at larger gear ratios. A larger gear ratio also reduces the amount of current draw for lower motor speeds. As a result, the operational time between charges is increased by simply increasing the gear ratio. This section details the design consideration and limitations on motor selection for a Si2St2Si scaled model.

4.2.1 Trajectory (Position) Tracking

The trajectory tracking error decreases for increasing gear ratio values up to the point of motor saturation. This is shown in Fig. 4.4. Minimal tracking error is achieved between a gear ratio of 100:1 to 500:1. The error is bounded in this region and can be calculated by substituting the maximum angular velocity developed at the joint into the following formula

Maximum angular speed of motor = Operating voltage x Motor speed constant 18.1 Vx100.7 rad/s/V = 1822.67 rad/s Maximum Gear Ratio = Maximum angular speed of motor/Maximum joint angular velocity 1822.67 rad/s / 3.5 rad/s = 520 Gear Ratio (4.1)

4.2.2 Angular Velocity Tracking

Increasing the gear ratio affects trajectory tracking and will lead to errors in angular velocity. For large ratios, the shaft of the motor is required to spin faster than a motor with a smaller gear ratio for a specific shaft output speed. An increase in gear ratio results in an increase in the applied voltage at the motor terminals. The input voltage will increase until saturation at the supply voltage. Fig. 4.5 shows that a gear ratio of 600 was not able to generate the required joint velocity compared to a gear ratio of 193. The 600 gear ratio



(a) Ankle Tracking between reference, GR193 and GR600



(c) Knee Tracking between reference, GR193 and GR600



(e) Hip Tracking between reference, GR193 and GR600



(b) Error: Ankle Tracking GR193 vs. GR600



(d) Error: Knee Tracking GR193 vs. GR600



(f) Error: Hip Tracking GR193 vs. GR600

Figure 4.3: Angular Position Tracking of the Ankle, Knee, and Hip Joints, 193:1 vs. 600:1 gear ratios (18.1V, 4.5 Ahr NiMH).



(c) Hip joint tracking error

Figure 4.4: Joint Tracking Error for GR100 to GR600 (18.1V, 4.5 Ahr NiMH)

system would require the motor to spin 407 times faster than the 193 gear ratio (assuming that the actual motor is capable of meeting the accelerations required). The bounded voltage is the supply voltage of 18.1V and the required hip joint voltage can be realized with Eq. 4.1 where the calculated value is 20.85 V.

4.2.3 Supply Voltage Considerations

The motor voltage input for each for each joint actuator is shown in Fig. 4.6. As calculated in the previous section, the required hip voltage around 2.1 seconds saturates at the supply voltage and therefore is not able to follow the desired joint angular velocity. Motor selection for exoskeletal devices should require knowledge of the trajectory, speed and accelerations of the joint angles to take advantage of the actuator performance in specific regions of gait.

Simulation results showed that saturation occured only in the hip actuator and not at the ankle and knee at a gear ratio of 600. The ankle and knee joints can potentially be optimized for a larger gear ratio and/or different motor to increase the efficiency of the regeneration. However, increasing gear ratios also reach a converging performance on the operation/regeneration of the actuator as shown in Fig. 4.2. It appears that increasing the gear ratio past 400 has little effect on return in performance. Fig. **??** shows the percent-change in SOC after one Si2St2Si cycle. There is little change in performance in gear ratios between 400:1 to 600:1.

The trend in increasing gear ratios have shown to extend the operational time limit but it also asymptotically reaches an efficiency limit where there is little return on performance. As the gear ratio reaches a motor's performance limitations (maximum angular velocity and acceleration), trajectory tracking will begin to decrease.

4.2.4 Torque Analysis: Are Centrifugal & Coriolis terms necessary?

The mechanical model tested in this thesis includes inertial, gravitational and Coriolis and centrifugal components. One of the objectives of this thesis was to examine the



(a) Ankle Tracking between reference, GR193 and GR600



(c) Knee Tracking between reference, GR193 and GR600



(e) Hip Tracking between reference, GR193 and GR600



(b) Ankle Tracking error of GR193 and GR600



(d) Knee Tracking error of GR193 and GR600



(f) Hip Tracking error of GR193 and GR600

Figure 4.5: Angular Velocity Tracking of the Ankle, Knee, and Hip Joints (18.1V, 4.5 Ahr NiMH).



(c) Hip Joint

Figure 4.6: Actuator voltage input for ankle, knee and hip joints (note: saturation is most visible at the hip joint)


SOC percent-change after one Si2St2Si cycle

Figure 4.7: Percent-change in SOC after one Si2St2Si cycle. Shorter bars indicate more efficient operation.

contribution of these individual components on the underlying dynamics of sitting and standing. The dynamics for our 3-link, 3-revolute Si2St2Si model is described by the equation

$$\overline{\tau} = \overline{M}(\theta)\overline{\ddot{\theta}} + \overline{V}(\theta, \dot{\theta}) + \overline{G}(\theta)$$
(4.2)

where \overline{M} is the inertia matrix, \overline{V} are the Coriolis and centrifugal matrix and \overline{G} is the gravitational matrix.

The nonlinear controller that was discussed in Section 3.2.4 calculates the required joint trajectory torques based on the feedback between the desired trajectory LUT and the actual joint angles. The torque signals are converted to a current signal based on the motor torque constant. An inner current-controlled PID loop tracks the current (torque) of the actuator to ensure that the desired trajectory is met.

It was observed that the Coriolis and centrifugal torque components had little contribution to the total torque input (Fig. 4.8 - 4.10). Figures 4.8c, 4.9c, and 4.10c show that inertia and gravitational torques have the largest significance to the total net torque at each joint.

Saturation at the hip actuator is observed in Fig. 4.10a. Motor voltage saturation occurs at gear ratios 550:1 and 600:1 in which affects the actuator's ability to track its angular position and angular velocity (and thus acceleration). Therefore, the nonlinear controller calculates a reference torque that is many magnitudes larger. However, the generated torque (hence, current) saturates the input voltage signal to the actuator.

In the future, it would be useful to validate this work on an experimental platform, necessitating the implementation of the controller model - which incorporates the aforementioned components - on a microcontroller or microprocessor, the removal of controller components which have minor effect will reduce computational load on the computer hardware. The peak ankle Coriolis and centrifugal torque was approximately 0.03 Nm while the knee and hip Coriolis and centrifugal torques was approximately 0.01 Nm. Thus, the torque components due to Coriolis and centrifugal terms in the dynamics model is approximately 1% of the gravitational and/or inertial terms.

4.2.5 Current/Torque Tracking

The current/torque signal sent to the actuator is maintained by an inner-loop PID controller that responds to the feedback given between the measured current applied to the motor and the reference current (torque) calculated by the nonlinear controller. The motor current tracking performance of each joint actuator is shown in Fig. 4.11 - 4.12.

Gear ratio 600:1 shows how saturation affects the tracking performance. The actuator tracking performance decreases at saturation causing the nonlinear controller to generate a large reference torque to the motor. In gear ratio 193:1, the tracking performance experienced little error during 75% of the Si2St2Si cycle. Further optimization of the P, I, and D gains and/or integrating an anti-windup factor may help minimize/eliminate the errors shown.

4.2.6 Power Cycles

Electrical and mechanical power performance for gear ratios 193:1 and 600:1 are shown in Fig. 4.13. Regenerative energy is recovered into the battery during negative regions in the power cycle. The hip experiences the maximum benefit of regeneration followed by the knee and then the ankle (for a RX-28 actuator with a gear ratio of 193). Regeneration performance can be improved by increasing the gear ratio for the ankle and knee actuators and/or by selecting a motor with a larger speed constant. However, it should be noted that even at large gear ratios, regeneration at the ankle is minimal.

Since the Si2St2Si cycle experiences very little angular movement per joint during one cycle, gearing and motor selection should be optimized for a large angular velocity during negative power cycles while meeting torque and current requirements.



(a) Ankle: Torque due to inertia



(b) Ankle: Torque due to Coriolis and centrifugal



(d) Ankle: Torque due to gravity





(c) Ankle: Torque Component Summary



(a) Knee: Torque due to inertia



(b) Knee: Torque due to Coriolis and centrifugal



(d) Knee: Torque due to gravity





(c) Knee: Torque Component Summary



(a) Hip: Torque due to inertia



(b) Hip: Torque due to Coriolis and centrifugal



(d) Hip: Torque due to gravity

Figure 4.10: Detailed view of hip torque components. Note that Coriolis & centrifugal components are minimal



(c) Hip: Torque Component Summary



Figure 4.11: Current tracking for GR193



Figure 4.12: Current tracking for GR600



(a) Ankle: electrical motor power and SOC, GR193(b) Ankle: electrical motor power and SOC, GR600



(c) Knee: electrical motor power and SOC, GR193 (d) Knee: electrical motor power and SOC, GR600



(e) Hip: electrical motor power and SOC, GR193 (f) Hip: electrical motor power and SOC, GR600

Figure 4.13: Motor electrical power and SOC Performance

4.2.7 Motor and Gearing Selection Space

Motor and gearing selection is important for orthoses, prostheses and legged robots. For legged robots, regenerative power can potentially extend the time of operation. For orthoses and prostheses design, regenerative power can also increase the usage safety for the user by assisting the Si2St2Si gait. The resistivity to angular motion in motors increases with increasing gear ratios. However, gear selection should also take into account the natural gait dynamics of the user. The actuated system should not impede the natural movement of the user but assist when requested.

As it was seen in Fig. 4.2, increasing gear ratios also corresponds to an increase in battery autonomy as seen in the hip motor. It should also be noted that a larger gear ratio will have slower acceleration times which is an important variable in matching trajectory position and torques profiles. In this thesis, the Dynamixel RX-28 was used as the test device for modeling the effects of regeneration against no-regeneration. However, very little regenerative recovery was noticeable compared to the non-regeneration model. This can be attributed to the fact that the Si2St2Si gait uses very little power over the ten second movement cycle. Angular velocities that were reached during the Si2St2Si gait were not sufficient to efficiently recharge the battery. The next iterative process would be to incorporate battery size testing with the experimental surrogate. Our simulations modeled the battery sizing at 14-cells (18V). This is the maximum recommended operation voltage that is suggested by Robotis. Battery sizing should reflect on the motor and gearing selection by choosing a system that optimizes regeneration by varying between the battery size and the maximum angular velocity that can reached during generator mode (negative power cycles).



(a) Ankle SOC



Battery Voltage Size, V 12 100 Gear Ratio

(b) Knee SOC

Regeneration: Final hip SOC after 1 Si2St2Si



(c) Hip SOC

Figure 4.14: SOC levels after single-Si2St2Si cycle for different battery sizes (12V, 15V, 18V). Regeneration is enabled. Note that the best results occur for highest battery voltage and gear ratio

4.3 **Recommendations for Design**

There are three major disadvantages with increasing the gear ratio of the actuators:

- 1. Mass
- 2. Reduced backdrivability
- 3. Motor saturation

All of the targeted applications place a premium on mass because of its detrimental effect on mobility. Bigger gears increase mass and therefore reduce mobility.

Motor saturation occurs in all motors, as they are driven at high torques, speeds or both. The saturation curve of the RX-28 is visible in Fig. 4.6c. As one approaches the saturation limit of an actuator, one reduces the margin within which a controller can modulate behavior of the actuator. Once the saturation threshold is reached the robot/prothesis is at the mercy of uncontrollable external forces. Typically, the actuator system should be designed close to the limit, but far enough from it that large errors in achieved trajectory do not occur.

Backdrivability is useful when the actuator is used for regeneration and for sensing. Typically, the larger the gear ratio, the more difficult it becomes to overcome internal friction in the gearing. While gear friction was not modeled here, it should be taken into account during implementation.

In the context of this study, the main negative factor examined is motor saturation and its effect on joint trajectory error during Si2St and St2Si movements. In Fig. 4.3 we compare the RX-28 (with 193:1 gear ratio) to an imaginary actuator with the same DC motor, but with a 600:1 gear ratio. The same controller gains were used in both cases. Note how the error is dramatically higher with the 600:1 gear ratio. This is due to saturation. The saturation is most visible in the velocity data of Fig. 4.5, just after two seconds, for the ankle, knee and hip plots.

Chapter 5 Conclusions

THIS thesis presented research on the successful development of a nonlinear torque control strategy for an actuated Si2St2Si biped model. This was achieved by developing a multi-domain simulation model in MapleSim where each physical system of the proposed physical model is modelled. Each subsystem was tested and analyzed to validate the component specifications to its manufacturer (i.e. Maxon RE-max 17, RX-28) datasheets. Regeneration was shown to increase the autonomy of the robot model. The simulation model that was developed is not limited to a 10:1 scale but is modular and expandable that can be used to simulate performance measurements on any actuator subsystem.

The study has led to a better understanding in Si2St2Si motion and trajectory regions where regeneration and optimization should be focused on. There has been extensive research on regeneration capturing in running and walking but never on Si2St2Si. In walking and running cases, it has been shown that maximum energy recovery is obtained at the knee [12, 34]. In contrast to work by Donelan where regenerative technology is applied at the knee for walking and running, we find here that it would be most effective if placed at the hip for sitting/standing behaviors.

The Coriolis and centrifugal torque components was found to be approximately 1% of the inertial or gravitational torque components and are, thus, deemed insignificant. Therefore a robot controller could safely ignore these components and likely still have

good performance.

The simulated RX-28 actuator component was not an optimal for regeneration. This study shows that the gear ratio on all three joints could be increased to an upper limit of 520:1 to increase battery autonomy. Beyond 520:1, motor saturation leads to larger and larger trajectory errors.

In summary, the study shows that regeneration and motor braking can be used to assist the Si2St2Si behavior. It was shown that regeneration during negative cycles extended the operational time by injecting energy back into the battery. Battery autonomy was therefore increased, extending the operation time of the device. This in return can help reduce joint loads during standing-to-sitting for the user. Selection of large gears aids in increasing the battery autonomy, but is bounded by saturation effects which lead to poor tracking performance. We recommend that the hip joint be prioritized for regeneration since the ankle and knee show less potential for useful regenerative effects. The increase in battery autonomy due to regeneration and gearing can lead to designs with smaller, lighter batteries. This has important implications for prostheses, orthoses and humanoid robot design.

Chapter 6 Suggested Future Work

In terms of future modeling and simulation studies it would be valuable to examine the effect of gear mass and battery mass on the design. While it appears that increasing the battery voltage and gear ratio leads to better performance, these are likely limited by the obvious increase in mass associated with larger batteries and gears.

Optimization of the parameters should incorporate a battery model and hardware testing should include various battery sizes. Battery technology is a proprietary industry field that does not release its specifications other than the voltage and current charge/discharge rates. Load testing will help determine which batteries may be better suited for the Si2St2Si model.

Another important suggestion for future work is to use these findings to design and test a 1:10 scale robotic platform. As suggested in this study, two test cases should be conducted: one with Coriolis and centrifugal torque components modeled in and another model without them. This will allow us to benchmark computational performance and compare the tracking accuracy between the two models.

Appendix A Sit-to-Stand Dynamic Model

This section details the expanded form of the matrix and vector elements in Eq. 2.3 - 2.5. The mass matrix in Eq. 2.3 is

$$M(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \beta_3 \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \gamma_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The first row of the mass matrix is made up of three terms: α_1, α_2 and α_3 . The first row of these, α_1 is

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{1} &= m_{3}l_{31}^{2} + l_{22}^{2}m_{3} + m_{2}l_{21}^{2} \\ &+ m_{3}l_{21}^{2} + l_{11}^{2}m_{2} + l_{12}^{2}m_{2} \\ &+ l_{11}^{2}m_{1} + l_{12}^{2}m_{3} + l_{11}^{2}m_{3} \\ &+ 2l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21} + 2l_{11}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{11}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2l_{11}m_{2}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{12}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{12}m_{2}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} \\ &+ 2l_{22}m_{3}l_{21} + 2l_{11}m_{2}l_{12} + 2l_{11}m_{3}l_{12} \\ &+ 2l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} + 2l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} \\ &- 2l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - 2l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} \\ &+ lzz_{shank} + lzz_{hat} + lzz_{thigh} \end{aligned}$$

the second term, α_2 is

$$\alpha_{2} = l_{11}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{11}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{11}m_{2}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{2}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2 l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + 2 l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21} + 2 l_{22}m_{3}l_{21} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} + l_{22}^{2}m_{3} + m_{2}l_{21}^{2} + m_{3}l_{21}^{2} + m_{3}l_{31}^{2}$$
(A.2)

and the third term α_3 is

$$\alpha_{3} = l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21}$$

+ $l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12}$
- $l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12}$
+ $Izz_{hat} + m_{3}l_{31}^{2}$ (A.3)

The second row of the mass matrix is also made up of three terms: β_1 , β_2 and β_3 . The first term, β_1 is

$$\beta_{1} = l_{11}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{11}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{11}m_{2}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{2}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2 l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + 2 l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21} + 2 l_{22}m_{3}l_{21} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} + Izz_{hat} + Izz_{thigh} + l_{22}^{2}m_{3} + m_{2}l_{21}^{2} + m_{3}l_{21}^{2} + m_{3}l_{31}^{2}$$
(A.4)

while the second term, β_2 is

$$\beta_{2} = 2 l_{31} m_{3} \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) l_{22} + 2 l_{31} m_{3} \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{22} m_{3} l_{21} + Izz_{hat} + Izz_{thigh} + l_{22}^{2} m_{3} + m_{2} l_{21}^{2} + m_{3} l_{21}^{2} + m_{3} l_{31}^{2}$$
(A.5)

and the third term, β_3 is

$$\beta_3 = l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t))l_{22} + l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t))l_{21} + Izz_{hat} + m_3{l_{31}}^2$$
(A.6)

Finally, the last row of the mass matrix is made up of three terms: γ_1 , γ_2 and γ_3 . The first term, γ_1 is

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$$\gamma_{1} = l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21}$$

$$+l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12}$$

$$-l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12}$$

$$+Izz_{hat} + m_{3}l_{31}^{2}$$
(A.7)

the second term, γ_2 is

$$\gamma_2 = l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t))l_{22} + l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t))l_{21} + Izz_{hat} + m_3l_{31}^2$$
(A.8)

and the third term, γ_3 is

$$\gamma_3 = Izz_{hat} + m_3 l_{31}^2 \tag{A.9}$$

The 3 x 1 Coriolis and centrifugal vector in Eq. 2.4 is

$$V(\theta, \dot{\theta}) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \\ \delta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Coriolis and centrifugal components contain three terms: δ_1 , δ_2 and δ_3 .

The first term, δ_1 is

$$\begin{split} \delta_{1} &= 2 \, l_{11} m_{2} l_{21} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{22} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{11} m_{3} l_{21} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2 \, l_{22} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{21} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + 2 \, l_{22} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{11} m_{3} l_{22} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2 \, l_{22} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{11} m_{3} l_{22} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) + 2 \, l_{22} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{11} m_{3} l_{22} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{11} m_{3} l_{21} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{11} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{11} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \right) \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{12} m_{3} l_{31} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t) \right) \sin(\theta_{2}(t) \right) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\$$

$$\begin{aligned} +l_{11}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t)) + l_{11}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ +l_{11}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))^{2}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + l_{11}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ +l_{22}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + l_{21}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ +l_{11}m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ +l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{2}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ +l_{11}m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))l_{11}m_{2}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \end{aligned}$$

the second term, δ_2 is

$$\begin{split} \delta_{2} &= 2 \, l_{21} m_{3} l_{31} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + 2 \, l_{21} m_{3} l_{31} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &+ 2 \, l_{22} m_{3} l_{31} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + 2 \, l_{22} m_{3} l_{31} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &- l_{31} m_{3} \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{12} - l_{31} m_{3} \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{11} \\ &- l_{31} m_{3} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{12} - l_{31} m_{3} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{11} \\ &+ l_{22} m_{3} l_{31} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + l_{21} m_{3} l_{31} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{3}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ &- l_{11} m_{3} l_{22} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{11} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{3} l_{22} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l_{12} m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12} m_{2} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ &- l$$

and the third term, δ_3 is

$$\begin{split} \delta_{3} &= -2 \, l_{31} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t)) \frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) - 2 \, l_{31} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) m_{3} l_{22} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t)) \frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t) \\ &- l_{31} m_{3} \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{12} - l_{31} m_{3} \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{11} \\ &- l_{31} m_{3} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{12} - l_{31} m_{3} \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} l_{11} \\ &- l_{31} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) m_{3} l_{22} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) m_{3} l_{22} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t))^{2} \\ &- l_{31} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{1}(t))^{2} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) m_{3} l_{21} (\frac{d}{dt} \theta_{2}(t))^{2} \end{split}$$
(A.12)

The 3 x 1 vector of gravitational components in Eq. 2.5 is

$$G(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \zeta_1 \\ \zeta_2 \\ \zeta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

where the gravitational components are composed of three terms: ζ_1, ζ_2 and ζ_3 .

The first term, ζ_1 is

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{1} &= \sin(\theta_{1}(t))l_{11}gm_{3} + \sin(\theta_{1}(t))l_{11}gm_{1} + \sin(\theta_{1}(t))l_{11}gm_{2} + \sin(\theta_{1}(t))l_{12}gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} + l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{22}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} + l_{22}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{21}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} + l_{21}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{21}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{2} + l_{21}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{2} \\ &+ \sin(\theta_{1}(t))l_{12}gm_{2}\end{aligned}$$

the second term, ζ_2 is

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{2} &= l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} + l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{22}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} + l_{22}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{21}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} + l_{21}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{21}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{2} + l_{21}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{2} \end{aligned}$$
(A.14)

and the third term, ζ_3 is

$$\zeta_{3} = l_{31} \cos(\theta_{1}(t)) \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) gm_{3} + l_{31} \cos(\theta_{1}(t)) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) gm_{3} + l_{31} \sin(\theta_{1}(t)) \cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \cos(\theta_{3}(t)) gm_{3} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_{1}(t)) \sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \sin(\theta_{3}(t)) gm_{3}$$
(A.15)

Appendix B Maxon Motor RE-max 17

The RX-28 motor was determined to be a close match to the Maxon RE-max 17 order number 214897. Details about the characterization can be found in section 3.2.1. The datasheet is shown in the next page.



maxon RE-max

RE-max 17 Ø17 mm, Precious Metal Brushes CLL, 4 Watt

M 1:1

Motor Data

7 Stall torque

16 Rotor inertia Specifications

Mechanical data (ball bearings) 23 Max. permissible speed 24 Axial play 25 Radial play 26 May existing d data

Other specifications Number of pole pairs

May 2011 edition / subject to change

29 30 31

Padial play
 Max. axial load (dynamic)
 Max. force for press fits (static)
 Max. radial loading, 5 mm from flange

Number of commutator segments Weight of motor CLL = Capacitor Long Life

Values listed in the table are nominal Explanation of the figures on page 49. Option Ball bearings in place of sleeve bearings Pigtails in place of terminals Without CLL

2 No load speed

Figure B.1: Dynamixel RX-28 Actuator [42]

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maxon Modular Syster

Planetary Gearhead Ø16 mm 0.06 - 0.18 Nm Page 214

Planetary Gearhead Ø16 mm 0.1 - 0.3 Nm Page 215

19000 rpm 0.05 - 0.15 mm 0.025 mm

2.2 N

30 N 7.8 N

26 g

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Appendix C Joint Torque Controller Equations

The expanded form of Eq.3.22 for the ankle, knee and hip joint torque controllers are listed here.

C.1 Ankle torque, τ_{ankle}

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{ankle} &= \sin(\theta_1(t))l_{11}gm_3 + \sin(\theta_1(t))l_{11}gm_1 + \sin(\theta_1(t))l_{11}gm_2 \\ &+ \sin(\theta_1(t))l_{12}gm_3 + \sin(\theta_1(t))l_{12}gm_2 \\ &+ l_{11}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) + l_{11}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ l_{11}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))^2\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) + l_{11}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{11}m_3l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t)) + 2l_{11}m_3l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{11}m_2l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t)) + l_{12}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ l_{12}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) + l_{12}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))^2\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ l_{12}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) + 2l_{12}m_3l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{12}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t)) + 2l_{12}m_3l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ l_{31}\cos(\theta_1(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) + 2l_{21}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{22}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) + 2l_{21}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{22}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) + 2l_{21}m_3l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2l_{22}m_3l_{31}($$

$$\begin{split} +l_{31}\cos(\theta_1(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t))gm_3 + l_{31}\sin(\theta_1(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t))gm_3 \\ &+ 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{12}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{12}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{12}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{12}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{12}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{12}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ 2 l_{12}m_3 l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_3(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t)) \\ &+ l_{22}\cos(\theta_1(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))gm_3 + l_{22}\sin(\theta_1(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))gm_3 \\ &+ l_{21}\cos(\theta_1(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))gm_3 + l_{21}\sin(\theta_1(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))gm_3 \\ &+ l_{21}\cos(\theta_1(t))\sin(\theta_2(t))gm_2 + l_{21}\sin(\theta_1(t))\cos(\theta_2(t))gm_3 \\ &+ l_{21}\cos(\theta_1(t))\sin(\theta_2(t)) + l_{12}m_3 l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ l_{12}m_3 l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t)) + l_{12}m_3 l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ l_{12}m_3 l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t)) + l_{12}m_3 l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ l_{21}m_3 l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t)) + l_{12}m_3 l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_2(t))^2\sin(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ (l_{13}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{22}\cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ (l_{13}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{22}\cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ (2 l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{22}\cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ (2 l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{22}\cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ (2 l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{22}\cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ (2 l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{11}m_3 l_{22}\cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ &+ (2 l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 l_{31}m_3 l_{21}\cos(\theta_2(t)) \\$$

$$\begin{split} +2 \, l_{12} m_3 l_{22} \cos(\theta_2(t)) + 2 \, l_{12} m_3 l_{21} \cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ +2 \, l_{12} m_2 l_{21} \cos(\theta_2(t)) + 2 \, l_{31} m_3 \cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{22} \\ +m_3 l_{31}^2 + l_{22}^2 m_3 + m_2 l_{21}^2 + m_3 l_{21}^2 + l_{11}^2 m_2 \\ +l_{12}^2 m_2 + l_{11}^2 m_1 + l_{12}^2 m_3 + l_{11}^2 m_3 + 2 \, l_{22} m_3 l_{21} + 2 \, l_{11} m_3 l_{12} + 2 \, l_{11} m_{21} l_{12} \\ +2 \, l_{31} \cos(\theta_2(t)) \cos(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{11} + 2 \, l_{31} \cos(\theta_2(t)) \cos(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ -2 \, l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{11} - 2 \, l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ +Izz_{shark} + Izz_{hat} + Izz_{thigh}) \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_{d_1}(t) + Kv_1 \frac{d}{dt} e_1(t) + Kp_1 e_1(t)\right) \\ + (l_{11} m_3 l_{22} \cos(\theta_2(t)) + l_{11} m_3 l_{21} \cos(\theta_2(t)) + l_{11} m_2 l_{21} \cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ + l_{12} m_3 l_{22} \cos(\theta_2(t)) + l_{12} m_3 l_{21} \cos(\theta_2(t)) + l_{12} m_2 l_{21} \cos(\theta_2(t)) \\ + 2 \, l_{31} m_3 \cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{22} + 2 \, l_{31} m_3 \cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + 2 \, l_{22} m_3 l_{21} \\ - l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \cos(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{11} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ + lzz_{hat} + Izz_{high} + l_{22}^2 m_3 \\ + m_2 l_{21}^2 + m_3 l_{21}^2 + m_3 l_{31}^2) \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_{d_2}(t) + Kv_2 \frac{d}{dt} e_2(t) + Kp_2 e_2(t)) \\ + (l_{31} m_3 \cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{22} + l_{31} m_3 \cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + l_{31} \cos(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ + l_{31} \cos(\theta_2(t)) \cos(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{11} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ + l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{11} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \cos(\theta_3(t)) l_{21} + l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ + l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{11} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ + l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{11} - l_{31} \sin(\theta_2(t)) \sin(\theta_3(t)) m_3 l_{12} \\ + lz_{hat} + m_3 l_{31}^2) \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta_{d_3}(t) + Kv_3 \frac{d}{dt} e_3(t) + Kp_3 e_3(t)\right) \end{split}$$

C.2 Knee torque, τ_{knee}

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{knee} &= -l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))^2 l_{12} \\ &- l_{31}m_3\cos(\theta_2(t))\sin(\theta_3(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))^2 l_{11} \\ &- l_{31}m_3\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))^2 l_{12} \\ &- l_{31}m_3\sin(\theta_2(t))\cos(\theta_3(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_1(t))^2 l_{11} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} +l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ +2 l_{22}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + 2 l_{21}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ +2 l_{22}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + 2 l_{21}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ +l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} + l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ +l_{22}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) + l_{21}m_{3}l_{31}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{3}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{3}(t)) \\ +l_{22}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} + l_{22}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} \\ +l_{21}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{3} + l_{21}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{2} \\ +l_{21}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{2} + l_{21}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))gm_{2} \\ -l_{11}m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ -l_{11}m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ -l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) - l_{12}m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}\sin(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ +(l_{11}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{11}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ +l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ +l_{12}m_{3}l_{21}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) + l_{12}m_{3}l_{22}\cos(\theta_{2}(t)) \\ +l_{13}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + 2 l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21} + 2 l_{22}m_{3}l_{21} \\ +l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} \\ -l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} \\ +lzz_{hat} + lzz_{hat}l_{2} + lzz^{2}m_{3} + m_{2}l_{2}^{2} + m_{3}l_{21}^{2} \\ +m_{3}l_{31}^{2})(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}\theta_{d_{1}}(t) + Kv_{1}\frac{d}{dt}e_{1}(t) + Kp_{1}e_{1}(t) \\ +(2 l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + 2 l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21} \\ +2 l_{22}m_{3}l_{21} + lzz_{hat} + lzz_{hat}l_{2} + lzz^{2}m_{3} + m_{2}l_{2}^{2} + m_{3}l_{21}^{2} \\ +m_{3}l_{3}^{2})(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}\theta_{d_{2}}(t) + Kv_{3}\frac{d}{dt}e_{3}(t) + Kp_{3}e_{3}(t)) \\ +(l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + l_{31$$

C.3 Hip torque, τ_{hip}

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{lnip} &= (l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21} \\ &+ l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{11} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{12} \\ &+ lzz_{hat} + m_{3}l_{31}^{-2})(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}\theta_{d_{1}}(t) + Kv_{1}\frac{d}{dt}e_{1}(t) + Kp_{1}e_{1}(t)) \\ &+ (l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{22} + l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{3}(t))l_{21} \\ &+ lzz_{hat} + m_{3}l_{31}^{-2})(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}\theta_{d_{2}}(t) + Kv_{2}\frac{d}{dt}e_{2}(t) + Kp_{2}e_{2}(t)) \\ &+ (lzz_{hat} + m_{3}l_{31}^{-2})(\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}\theta_{d_{3}}(t) + Kv_{3}\frac{d}{dt}e_{3}(t) + Kp_{3}e_{3}(t)) \\ &+ l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} + l_{31}\cos(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ &+ l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{1}(t))\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))gm_{3} \\ &- l_{31}m_{3}\cos(\theta_{2}(t))\sin(\theta_{3}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}l_{12} - l_{31}m_{3}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}l_{11} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}l_{12} - l_{31}m_{3}\sin(\theta_{2}(t))\cos(\theta_{3}(t))(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2}l_{11} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2} - l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{2}(t))^{2} \\ &- l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{22}(\frac{d}{dt}\theta_{1}(t))^{2} + l_{31}\sin(\theta_{3}(t))m_{3}l_{21}(\frac{d}$$

Appendix D Ryerson ELCE-Network Computers

The computer network at Ryerson University's Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering allows remote login via SSH. This section lists the computer box names that were used to run the simulations.

Hardware/Software Specifications	ENG406	ENG412
Computer Model	DELL XX	DELL XX
Operating System	Fedora	Fedora
Processor	Intel	Intel
Number of Cores	4	4
Memory (RAM)	Х	Х

Table D.1: Hardware specifications in ENG406 and ENG412

Computer Name	Gear Ratio
bronte	100
oshawa	150
york	193 (RX-28)
ajax	200
malton	250
whitby	300
eglinton	350
clarkson	400
theex	450
appleby	500
danforth	550
finch	600
guelph	650
brampton	700
bloor	750
kipling	800
dixie	850
keele	900
acton	EXTRA
caledon	EXTRA

Table D.2: Computer assignment for Regeneration-Enabled Simulations (ENG412)

Computer Name	Gear Ratio
hactar	100
hig	150
desiato	193 (RX-28)
garkbit	200
halfrunt	250
benjy	300
frogstar	350
agrajag	400
gogrilla	450
krikkit	500
arthur	550
effrafax	600
milliway	650
vranx	700
yooden	750
mella	800
grunthos	850
fit	900
azgoths	EXTRA
kria	EXTRA

Table D.3: Computer assignment for Regeneration-Disabled Simulations (ENG406)

Appendix E Maple Source-code

Maplescript (.mpl) was used to collect MapleSim simulation data on the EE-network (via command-line). An example script is shown below in Fig. E.1.

A login and start-up Unix example is also provided in this section. We begin by logging into one of the EE-network workstations (i.e. "bronte") as shown in Fig. E.2a.

Next, we cd (change directory) into the folder with a gear ratio 100 (Fig. E.2b).

The screen command is then activated (Fig. E.2c) to keep the "window" active even after we close the terminal window.

The nice command is then used in conjunction with the maple command to set the priority of the maple simulation. We set nice to 19 for second lowest-priority as shown in Fig. E.2d. This effectively forces the computer to allocate priority to current users and their applications and run our script only when in idle. By minimizing the CPU time to multiple processes, this decreases the likelihood of the current user into rebooting the machine.

The final screenshot of maple running is shown in Fig. E.3.

restart: gc(): kernelopts(printbytes=false): printlevel := 0: switchdir := "/home/grad/r25wong/Desktop/MapleSimulations/Linux_100/"; currentdir(switchdir); A := MapleSim:-LinkModel('filename' = "S2S2S_regen_Probes_v13.msim"); A:-GetSubstitutions(); with(ExcelTools); with(LinearAlgebra); initanklegearratio := 100; initkneegearratio := 100; inithipgearratio := 100; currentanklesoclevel := .8; currentkneesoclevel := .8; currenthipsoclevel := .8; resultpackage := "matlabresults_regen_100.mat"; arrayresults := A:-Simulate(output = datapoint, returnTimeData = true, duration = 10, method = rosenbrock, params = [`Main.anklegearratio` = initanklegearratio, `Main.kneegearratio` = initkneegearratio, `Main.hipgearratio` = inithipgearratio, `Main.anklesoclevel` = currentanklesoclevel, `Main.kneesoclevel` = currentkneesoclevel, `Main.hipsoclevel` = currenthipsoclevel]); matrixresults := convert(arrayresults, Matrix); ExportMatrix(resultpackage, matrixresults, target = Matlab, format = rectangular, mode = binary);

Figure E.1: Maplescript Source-code Example

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(b) Directory change

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(c) Screen command



(d) Nice: priority scheduling

Figure E.2: Command-line instructions for starting maplescript
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Figure E.3: Screenshot of Maplescript running

Appendix F MATLAB Source-code

MATLAB 2011a was used to post-process the MapleSim simulation data. The MapleSim-Maplescript exports a matrix of data from the MapleSim model's various sensors and packages it into a .mat file. This section details the main m-scripts that were used to process the data.

F.1 Checksum

The checksum is first used to validate the .mat data files. It compares the final simulation time in the file against the desired simulation time and outputs a 'good data' and 'bad data' array.

```
%% CHECKSUM for files...
% max is 3600 (for 1hr)
clear;
clc;
% What is the simulation time?
% 10s for 1 movement cycle
% 10s for 1 movement cycle
% 1800s for 1/2 hr of 180 cycles...
% 3600s for 1 hr of 360 cycles...
simulationtime = 1000;
ratioheader = [100,150,193,200,250,300,...
350,400,450,500,550,600];
%% For Regen
for i = 1:length(ratioheader)
```

```
myfilename = sprintf('matlabresults_regen_%d.mat',ratioheader(i));
mydata = importdata(myfilename);
if max(mydata(:,1)) == simulationtime
    good_data(i) = ratioheader(i);
else
    bad_data(i) = ratioheader(i);
end
```

end

F.2 Data Extraction

The data files were decomposed into separate variables using the following m-script.

```
%% Column Definitions
% See MS Excel print-out
gearticker = [100 150 193 200 250 300 350 400 ...
    450 500 550 600];
numFiles = 12;
%% Extract and Rearrange the Data
for i = 1:numFiles
    myfilename = sprintf('matlabresults_regen_%d.mat',i);
    mydata{i} = importdata(myfilename);
    clockdata{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,1);
    % ----- JOINT TRAJECTORIES ----- %
    desiredankletraj{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,2);
    desiredkneetraj{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,3);
    desiredhiptraj{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,4);
    actualankletraj{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,5);
    actualkneetraj{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,6);
    actualhiptraj{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,7);
    % ----- JOINT TORQUE ----- %
    ankletorqueinertia{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,8);
    ankletorquecorriolis{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,9);
    ankletorquegravity{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,10);
    kneetorqueinertia{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,11);
    kneetorquecorriolis{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,12);
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kneetorquegravity{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,13); hiptorqueinertia{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,14); hiptorquecorriolis{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,15); hiptorquegravity{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,16); % ----- JOINT ACTUATOR VOLTAGES ----- % ankleinputvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,17); kneeinputvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,18); hipinputvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,19); % ----- ANKLE COMPONENT ----- % anklesoclevelstate{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,20); anklebatteryvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,21); anklebatteryinstantcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,22); anklebatteryintegralcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,23); ankleelectpowermotor{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,24); anklecurrenttomotor{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,25); anklearmresvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,26); anklearmindvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,27); ankleemfvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,28); anklemechpowerbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,29); anklemechtorquebeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,30); ankleangvelaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,31); ankleangposaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,32); anklemechpoweraftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,33); anklemechtorqueaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,34); % ----- KNEE COMPONENT ----- % kneesoclevelstate{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,35); kneebatteryvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,36); kneebatteryinstantcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,37);

kneebatteryintegralcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,38); kneeelectpowermotor{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,39); kneecurrenttomotor{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,40); kneearmresvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,41); kneearmindvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,42); kneeemfvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,43); kneemechpowerbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,44); kneemechtorquebeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,45); kneeangvelaftergear $\{i\}$ = mydata $\{1,i\}(:,46)$; kneeangposaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,47); kneemechpoweraftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,48); kneemechtorqueaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,49); % ----- HIP COMPONENT ----- % hipsoclevelstate{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,50); hipbatteryvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,51); hipbatteryinstantcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,52); hipbatteryintegralcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,53); hipelectpowermotor{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,54); hipcurrenttomotor{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,55); hiparmresvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,56); hiparmindvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,57); hipemfvoltage{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,58); hipmechpowerbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,59); hipmechtorquebeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,60); hipangvelaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,61); hipangposaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,62); hipmechpoweraftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,63); hipmechtorqueaftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,64);

anklerefcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,65); kneerefcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,66); hiprefcurrent{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,67); ankledesiredangularvelocity{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,68); kneedesiredangularvelocity{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,69); hipdesiredangularvelocity{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,70); anklemechanicalwork{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,71); kneemechanicalwork{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,72); hipmechanicalwork{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,73); anklemotorefficiency{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,74); ankleelectricalwork{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,75); ankleelectricalaveragepower{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,76); anklemechanicalworkbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,77); anklemechavgpowerbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,78); anklemechavgpoweraftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,79); kneemotorefficiency{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,80); kneeelectricalwork{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,81); kneeelectricalaveragepower{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,82); kneemechanicalworkbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,83); kneemechavgpowerbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,84); kneemechavgpoweraftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,85); hipmotorefficiency{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,86); hipelectricalwork{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,87); hipelectricalaveragepower{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,88); hipmechanicalworkbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,89); hipmechavgpowerbeforegear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,90); hipmechavgpoweraftergear{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,91); anklebatteryelectricalpower{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,92);

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kneebatteryelectricalpower{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,93);
hipbatteryelectricalpower{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,94);
ankledesiredtorque{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,95);
kneedesiredtorque{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,96);
hipdesiredtorque{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,97);
ankletrajectoryerror{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,98);
kneetrajectoryerror{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,99);
hiptrajectoryerror{i} = mydata{1,i}(:,100);
```

end

Appendix G MapleSim RX-28 Model

The completed MapleSim RX-28 model is shown in Fig. G.1. The upper block is composed of the DC Motor model, gear ratio and the inertia of the motor. The bottom block is the detailed view of the DC Motor in its discrete component form. The DC motor is modeled from an armature resistance, armature inductance and a rotational emf block.



Figure G.1: MapleSim RX-28 Model

Appendix H MapleSim Battery Test Circuit Model

The MapleSim NiMH battery block is shown in Fig. H.1. The MapleSim battery test circuit model is shown in Fig. H.2.



Figure H.1: MapleSim NiMH Battery Model with SOC and Temperature Ports



Figure H.2: MapleSim NiMH battery model test circuit

Appendix I MapleSim H-Bridge DC-to-DC Model

The MapleSim H-Bridge discontinuous and continuous-time domain models are detailed in this section. The discontinuous-time model is shown in Fig. I.1 and Fig. I.2 is an exploded view of the H-Bridge subsystem in Fig. I.1.



Figure I.1: Test Circuit for Discontinuous-time H-Bridge Model



Figure I.2: Exploded view of H-Bridge Subsystem



Figure I.3: Test Circuit for Continuous-time H-Bridge Model



Figure I.4: Exploded view of Simplified H-Bridge subsystem

Appendix J MapleSim Ground Contact Model

The MapleSim ground contact model is shown in Fig. J.1.



Figure J.1: MapleSim ground-contact model (Courtesy of Gilbert Lai)

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