

Port-Based Robotics

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A Glimps of some Robotics Activities in Twente







Medical Robotics

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Rehabilitation Robotics











Prosthetics Myopro



Robotics Surgery

- NOTES Master
- Brain Assisted Surgery
- Epiduroscopy
- Robotised Endoscopes
- MRI compatible devices



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Humanoid Robotics





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Port Based Modeling and simulation package













Port-Based Thinking

Signals versus Ports



Signals versus Ports



Conclusions on example

- With Physical Systems, signal modeling is often not suitable
- Always a bi-directional effect

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- To model/control real OPEN systems signal modeling is NOT the solution
- This is true also between domains: typical example DC motor gyration
- Robotics IS interconnection of multi-domain parts, we need something more !



Power Port



- e, f belong to vector spaces in duality
- e(f) represents the instantaneous power flowing from A to B
- In general an a-causal description !!



Examples

Domain	flow	effort	flow geOMETRY
Electrical	current	voltage	\mathbb{R}
1D mechanical	velocity	force	\mathbb{R}
Rotational mechanics	Ang.vel.	torque	<i>so</i> (3)
rigid 3D mechanics	twist	wrench	<i>se</i> (3)









The Mathematics behind the framework: Port-Hamiltonian Systems

Autonomous, Symplectic, Hamiltonian Systems



$q \in \mathcal{Q}, (q,p) \in T^*\mathcal{Q}, H(q,p) \in C^1(T^*\mathcal{Q})$



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With ports...

$$\dot{q} = \frac{\partial H(q, p)}{\partial p}$$
$$\dot{p} = -\frac{\partial H(q, p)}{\partial q} + \tau$$
$$\dot{q} = \frac{\partial H(q, p)}{\partial p}$$



$$P_{in} = \dot{H} = \langle \boldsymbol{\tau}, \dot{\boldsymbol{q}} \rangle$$



Port Hamiltonian Systems Using the Poisson Framework

$$\dot{x} = J(x)\frac{\partial H(x)}{\partial x} + G(x)u$$
$$y = G(x)^T \frac{\partial H(x)}{\partial x}$$
$$x \in \mathcal{X}, \ u \in V, \ y \in V^*, \ J^T(x) = -J(x)$$
$$(2,0) \text{ tensor } !$$



Energy Conservation

The change in stored energy is equal to the supplied power:

$$\dot{H} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}^{T} \dot{x} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}^{T} J(x) \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}^{T} G(x) u$$
$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}}_{0 \leftarrow J^{T}(x) = -J(x)} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}}_{y^{T}} = y^{T} u$$



Network structure







Same elements and Energy function but Different Network!

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Dirac Framework

 $\overbrace{\begin{pmatrix}I & 0\\0 & I\end{pmatrix}}^{F(x)} \begin{pmatrix}\dot{x}\\y\end{pmatrix} = \overbrace{\begin{pmatrix}J(x) & -G(x)\\G^{T}(x) & 0\end{pmatrix}}^{-E(x)} \begin{pmatrix}\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}\\-u\end{pmatrix}$

Of the form where F(x)f + E(x)e = 0 $F(x)E^{T}(x) + E(x)F^{T}(x) = 0$

Remark

- "All" physical parts can be modeled using this framework
- Interconnection of parts (and physical controllers!!) via port interconnections result in the same kind of equations (IPC)
- Looking at the network structure we get insight in the energy flows
- Delays in communication lines can be handled effectively (Passive Distributed Control)



System composition in general



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Control by Interconnection

Proposed Controller Structure





Intrinsically Passive Control

- We can design a controller equivalent to a 3D multi-body system interconnected to the robot to be controlled: the controller will be a set of equivalent multi-bodies, spatial springs..., all using ports and Port Controlled Hamiltonian Systems representation
- More general structures are also possible



Impedance Control



Note: I.only position measurement available, 2. saturation F



Solution using interconnection ideas





Examples

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Oscillations and Locomotion







Our vision in Locomotion

3D robust and energetical walking

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Oscillations with discontinuous Dynamics

Oscillations Multidimensional

Oscillations Synchronizations with communications delays

Oscillations Syncronisations

Phase lag/lead control with dynamic extension

L.C. shaping in 2D p.s.

Energetically continues oscillation

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What do we need?

Theory -Able to address directly power flows (network-theory) -Keep track of energy flows and control them (control by interconnection) -Multidimensional oscillations, synchronizations, 3D mechanics.. (l.c. and synchronizations) Practice -new actuators (VIACTORS), new transmissions (CVTs) -reversible amplifiers

-passive handling of delays



Limit cycles

- Limit Cycle: periodic solution of a differential equation with the additional property that it is isolated. (only for N.L. systems)
- Basin of Attraction (for a stable L.C.): set of points in the state space which asymptotically converge to the L.C.



What do we want?

• Be able to shape a Limit Cycle (Performance)

Make the Basin of attraction as big as possible (Robustness)

and No waste of Energy



NL oscillator with globally attractive limit cycle

Van der Pol Oscillator

$$\ddot{x} + \left(x^2 - 1\right)\dot{x} + x = 0$$

Rayleight Oscillator

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$$\ddot{x} + \left(\dot{x}^2 - 1\right)\dot{x} + x = 0$$

Van der Pool



Remarks

- Extremely stable oscillation, but it dissipates and sometimes require energy
- Can we make it completely conservative?

YES!



Modulated





Energy Storage





Realizing "reversible" damping





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Conservative V.d.Pol



$$H(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T \cdot x = \frac{1}{2}q^2 + \frac{1}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{2}r^2.$$

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State Space Plot



Continuous Variable Transmission

- If we manage to make a decent CVT we can design and shape globally stable oscillators!
- We can also synchronize them by modulating transmissions
- Eventually we can create and tune oscillators online

The Twente CVT

Very Versatile Energy Efficient Actuator

- Torque Servoing
- Stores any negative work applied on load
- Zero dissipation for constant force
- Ideal for periodic motions

Variable Impedance Actuators

- Energy Efficiency
- Safety
- Passive behaviour in all conditions

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Embedding Intelligence

Telemanipulation and Sample Passivity

Rationale

- Explicitly handle energy exchanged with the environment/human
- Handle the coupling between the real, continuous time world and energy and virtual, descrete time, computer generated world
- Take care of the two energy leakages: sample-hold and integration
- Based on network theory and port-Hamiltonian systems

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Sampled Passivity

Intrinsically Passive Control (IPC)

IPC PD

30 Hz sample rate

Conclusions

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Conclusions

- Phisical ALWAYS involve bidirectional interaction
- Energy is the glue of physics
- In interactive tasks, energy flows are important for passivity and safety
- Port-based based robotics treats energy flows explicitly
- Novel concepts have been achieved using this paradigm

Thanks for Listening

3D Contact Modeling

Visco-elastic contact model

Port Based Modeling of Spatial Visco-Elastic Contacts

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Animation of a complex situation

Using softer contact

Very little damping

Very soft

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Variable Spatial Springs

It can be shown that varying RCC does NOT exchange energy !!

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Changing Length

Changing the RCS (no energy supply!)

Parametric Changes (1D)





Example: Proposed Grasp Strategy





Animation of Algorithm



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