AUGUST 31, 2011 PROGRESS MEETING

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RERC PEDS – R2 UPPER LIMB ROBOT DEVELOPMENT

Today's Goals

- Two design meeting with Team in December 2010 and in August of 2011
- Review Project Elements and Year 1 goals
 - Review fMRI/DTI for UL
 - Review of UL Robot System Design Goals and Requirements
 - Overview of UL Robot System Design
 - Chair and Workspace
 - Robot and Orthosis
 - GUI and Controller

Year 1 Goals

- Modify fMRI equipment for children (senior design working on ideas: Need help to translate to children)
 - Orthosis and Hand Glove
 - Upgrade current orthosis to allow easy of use in fMRI scanner
- Develop biADLER robot and control system
 - Upgrade BiAS System to two actuated robot capable of supporting unilateral or bilateral tasks for desktop activity.
 - Implement ADLER functionality into robots

fMRI/DTI Testing Equipment for Arm and Hand

- We have a prototype of Upper Limb fMRI compatible elbow orthosis (still needs to be modified).
- Senior Design Project
- Will be redesigned.



BiADLER Requirements

Chair and Table Set-up

- Accommodate children of various sizes Accommodate tasks in horizontal and vertical plane
- Robots (including Orthosis)
 - Mount to Desktop
 - Accommodate subjects with left or right arm impairment.
 - Shall not obstruct or restrict the Activities of Daily Living task performed in the ADLER workspace
 - Must measure and assist wrist position accurately throughout an ADL task. Static and dynamic accuracy must be better than 0.5 inch (12.7mm).
- Measure at least 3-axis forces at end-effector (accuracy 0.01 N); GUI
 - Support forces at end-effector between 25 to 50N; Support assistance or resistance or adaptive control Support arm against gravity
 - Collect wrist position at the same rate as the ADLER system. (500Hz and force position at 1000 Hz)

Chair and Workspace

- The chair has a harness and is on custom rails to allow it to be easily positioned to accommodate subjects of different sizes.
- It is aligned to the midline of the table and is height adjustable.

Transfer in and out of the chair is made easy with a custom swivel mechanism. The table top is 5 feet in width and is custom shaped to be comfortable for subjects.

The table (ConSet 501-11 8B116) itself is height adjustable and can be lowered or elevated to accommodate subjects.



Chair and Workspace Next Steps

• Work with therapist to create a child attractive table top with some workspace templates for activities.

Robot: Initial Mock-up and 1st Prototype



Robot

- The robot has three active degrees of freedom (DOF).
- The base is a revolute joint that will rotate about 180 degrees (±90 degrees).
- The shoulder joint is also a revolute joint that will rotate about 80 degrees (-30 and +50 degrees).
- The final joint is prismatic and will translate about 22 inches.
- We have design for orthosis

Robot Next Steps

Robot positioning portion:

- Complete in aluminum and anodize
 Purchase and add motors and position sensors and data acquisition boards.
- Complete 2nd robot.
- Pursue patenting possibilities with MSOE and MCW

Orthosis

- The current orthosis attached on the end of this robot system by a passive 3 DOF cradle (This is not the final one)
- The goal is to have an orthosis with 4 DOF. Two DOF will be active to allow assisted wrist roll & flexion and extension. Yaw and pitch will be passive DOF.



GUI and Controller

- We developed a BiADLER version of the MIT-MANUS Software Model
- We modified developed a robot model of the human arm and integrated it into robot software model.



GUI Next Steps

- We are in the process of purchasing the computer system, monitor, and monitor holder. This will be done by September 2011.
- We will be hiring a graduate student assistant to aid us this fall and hope to have a permanent student assistant by the spring.
- Complete robot software model
- We will implementing adaptive assistance design for this system.