

touch. instinctive exploration



haptic technology and applications
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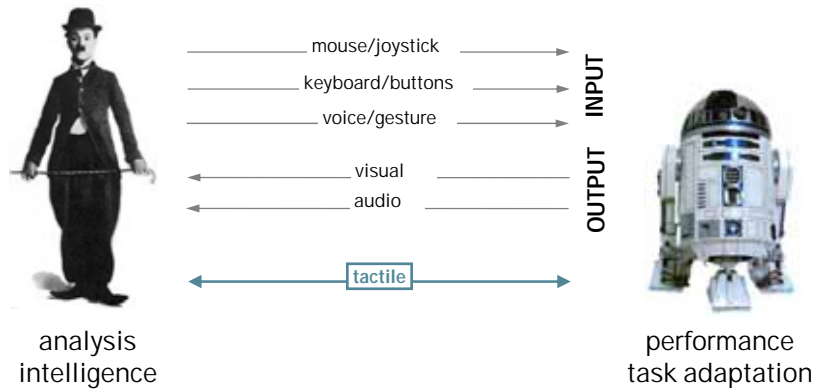
provider of haptics technology

- I based on more than 15 years of cutting-edge haptic research
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL)
R&D projects with wide range of industrial partners worldwide
- I company founded in 2001
headquarters located in Nyon, Switzerland
regional offices in North America and Asia Pacific



human perception

human computer interaction



human perception

creating the illusion of continuity



graphics rendering [25 Hz]



haptics feedback [1000 Hz]

haptic interfaces

omega.3 | .6 | .7



haptic interfaces

delta.3|6 – edition 2009



haptic interfaces

domains of expertise

- | haptic solutions
 - design
 - manufacturing
 - technology licensing
 - OEM partnerships
- | custom hardware
 - tailored for specific requirements
 - expertise in parallel mechanics design
- | software integration
 - Windows, Linux, Apple
 - real-time platforms (QNX)
 - system integration



applications

3 types

| simulation

learning, training
assessment, certification
psychophysics
experimentation
planning
design
virtual realities
virtual environments



| tele-operation

remotely control a
slave robot or camera
tele-presence
augmented reality
force feedback from any
sensor or model



| gesture guidance

collaborative haptic fixture
smart tool-holder
haptically augmented reality



robotics

advantages of haptic robot control

| remote operation

environment hostile to humans
environment inaccessible to humans

| force scaling

increase human sensitivity
increase human strength

| geometrical scaling

increase human precision
increase human motion range

| user "feels" the environment

keep slave robot away from obstacles
feel obstacles before collision

| user "feels" robot limitations

workspace boundaries and
singular postures of slave robot
velocity limitations
tracking errors
dynamics

| add/remove haptic information

guidance
virtual grids
attractors
exclusion regions
augmented reality
vibro-tactile queues
filter user's tremor
damping

medical (Philips)

Tele-Operation of Ultrasound Probe

- | Philips Applied Technologies
healthcare division
- | provides realistic tactile feedback
necessary for accurate ultrasound exam
allows for remote diagnostic
reduces operator fatigue
- | uses omega.6
6-dof position input
contact pressure feedback

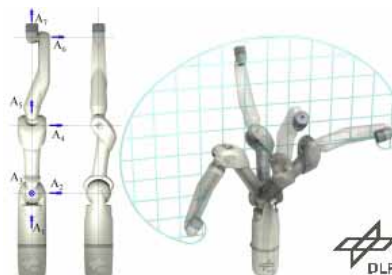


PHILIPS
sense and simplicity

medical (DLR)

MIRO interventional robot

- | highly-versatile
dexterity and workspace similar to human arm
kinematically redundant
designed for wide range of surgical tasks
- | advanced robotic control
position and torque sensors
end-effector equipped with force sensors
- | advanced user console
includes a dual omega.7 setup



medical (DLR)

MIRO interventional robot



© DLR MiroSurge - a robotic system for research in minimally invasive surgery with haptic feedback



aerospace (SRI)

operating in critical environments

- | bi-manual control of surgical robot with force-feedback in micro-gravity or moving contexts
- | dynamic gravity compensation sensors measure environment gravity haptic device stabilizes gesture
- | tested in micro-gravity using parabolic flights aboard NASA's C9



medical (Hansen)

radiofrequency catheter ablation



medical (Hansen)

radiofrequency catheter ablation

- | stroke risk increased by atrial fibrillation
stroke is 3rd leading cause of death in the US
- | heart beat disorders
arrhythmia, tachycardia
potentially dangerous
- | carefully destroy abnormal areas
ablation catheter delivers RF energy
- | minimal invasive procedure
requires high precision and reliability



medical (Hansen)

haptic workstation

- | high precision force-feedback interface
with universal, stylus or grasping capabilities
- | wide multi-screen display
to combine multi input imaging systems
- | advanced ergonomics
for higher precision and dexterous control
- | certified
FDA, CE



thank you

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