Sensor-based robot control for Physical-Human Robot Interaction

IDH – Interactive Digital Humans







Robotics Department

• DEXTER

- Design, control, handling
- Parallel and medical robotics

• **DEMAR**

- Modeling and control of human sensorimotor systems
- Neuro-prosthetics

• EXPLORE

- Guidance, navigation, planning of ground and submarine robot fleet

o ICAR

Image, signal, vision, coding

o IDH

Humanoid robotics, physical HRI









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• Human-Humanoid embodiment

• Human modeling for humanoid control

Humanoid multi-contact planning and control

o Human-Robot physical interaction

Human-robot physical interaction

Short Circuit (1986)

Applications of physical human-robot interaction

• Cobots for the industry

Assistive robots

• Interactive toys

SOURCES: kinovarobotics.com, blog.robotiq.com, spectrum.ieee.org, aliexpress.com, plioz.com, online-electronica.com, pal-robotics.com, wii.you.fr, mn.uio.no



Objectives of physical HRI

- Safety
- Precision
- Flexibility



- Intuitive control by the human → intention recognition
- Reactive adaptation instead of optimization

human solutions are rarely optimal and unique (e.g. QWERTY)



IDH Robotic platforms



Cooperative object carrying





Why vision?

- Complementary to haptic information
 - contact vs. non-contact
 - local vs. global







• Recognition of the human intention

Merging vision and touch



 X Y Φ_Z help the human force control

Φ_Y **keep table flat** force control + desired yaw

 Z Φ_X avoid ball from falling force control + visual control

Results

Collaborative manufacturing



Collaborative screwing





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Task control framework



Results

Collaborative assembly

- Rzeppa joint collaborative assembly
- Very strong interaction with the environment and human!!
- Nominal trajectory is pre-taught...

...then deformed by an admittance controller

• Vision is used as security trigger

Manipulation of sophisticated machinery



- Simulated environment (for now...)
- Vision used for:
 - lane detection (feedback for steering)
 - velocity estimation (feedback for accelerating)
- Haptics used to guarantee safe interaction with the environment



Results



- object detection/recognition
- simultaneous localization and mapping
- human body part recognition/interaction

Semi-autonomous pick and place

- Vision used for object recognition and pose tracking
- Model+feature based object tracker

(BLORT – Blocks World Robotics Vision Toolbox)

Semi-autonomous navigation and interaction

Vision used for :

- robot localization, based on D6DSlam [Meilland, Comport, 2013]
- precise positioning, with ARUCO fiducial markers [www.uco.es]

Conclusions

Vision is a fundamental sensor in robotics applications

- rich
- cheap (including depth)
- usable (numerous open libraries off the shelf)



Open problems

- Real-time computation
- Robustness to evolving environments (light variation, soft materials...)
- Generality
- Knowledge sharing between CV and ROB communities!