Winter School on Computational Methods for Neurorehabilitation

Introduction to the mini-projects

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Introduction

Goal

- Apply theoretical knowledge presented during the morning lectures sessions
- Explore practical applications and possibilities of computational methods.

Organization

- 8 different mini-projects
- groups of 4 / 5 students, supervised by 1 to 2 tutors
- Mini-project session every evening (7-9pm)
- Mini-projects will take place in the dinner area

Deliverable

- A short presentation of obtained results on Friday morning (10 min+5 min questions per project)

List of mini-projects

- Project A: Isometric Assessment of Multiple Sclerosis vs. Healthy Subjects
- **Project B:** Decomposition Techniques for Analysing Motor Tasks
- Project C: Analysis of Grasping Strategies and Function using an Instrumented Object
- Project D: Motor Adaptation and De-adaptation
- Project E: Optimal Control (LQG, LQR) as a Model of Human Motor Control
- Project F: Models of Neuromotor Recovery
- Project G: Analysis of Movement Smoothness
- **Project H:** Analysis of Coordination Learning in a Figure Drawing

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Thank you for your attention

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Project A: Isometric Assessment of Multiple Sclerosis vs. Healthy Subjects

Context

- Muscle strength is essential for producing motor output (accelerate limb, compensate for gravity, interact with env.).

 Quantification of sensorimotor function could be based on isometric force/torque measurement

Objectives

- Analysis of the richness of isometric force signal (strenght and control) using sample entropy

- Comparison of recorded data between multiple-sclerosis patients and healthy subjects

Project B: Decomposition Techniques for Analysing Motor Tasks

Context

- Muscle synergies: simplified control of a large number of DOF through a smaller number of motor output patterns

 Interpretation of large set of physiological signals through dimension reduction

Objectives

- Analyze of data sets (16 EMG signals) recorded during walking

- Comparison of 2 different pattern recognition techniques (PCA and NMF)

Project C: Analysis of Grasping Strategies and Function using an Instrumented Object

Context

- Bridging the gap between elementary measures and functional scores for better therapy and follow-up for stroke patients

- Quantitative assessment of grasping function

- Use of an simple, robust and low-cost Instrumented Object (iBox)

Objectives

- Data acquisition during simple grasp and manipulation experiments

- Comparison of healthy recorded datasets with hemiparetic datasets via a set of pertinent variables (existing or to define)





Project D: Motor Adaptation and De-adaptation

Context

- Constant motor adaptation to environment and body changes

- Using robots to generate force fields and study how this motor memory is retained through iterative learning

Objectives

- Analyses data from healthy subjects who learned a linear velocity-dependent force field

- Examine modelling of this adaptation and de-adaptation using an iterative control model (Matlab)

Project E: Optimal Control (LQG, LQR) as a Model of Human Motor Control

Context

 providing solutions to ill-posed and stochastic problems such as those encountered in sensorimotor control (e.g. reaching with a redundant limb to a target located at an uncertain position)

- Optimal control then consists in finding a control policy that minimises (or maximises) the performance value

Objectives

- Learning to manipulate LQ optimal control models, and design computer simulations

- Simulation and comparison (redundancy and robustness) of different controllers (feedback, LQR, LQG and H-infinite)

Project F: Models of Neuromotor Recovery

Context

- Quantification of the effect among time of rehabilitation procedure

- Modelization and understanding of recovery mechanisms of recovery at the functional level

Objectives

- Exploration of the basic methodologies to describe the recovery process in a rehabilitation trial as a dynamical process

- Development of a dynamical model of the recovery process from time series data of a rehabilitation trial

- Parameters identification and method comparison

Project G: Analysis of Movement Smoothness

Context

- Development of more objective, detailed and sensitive assessment methods to precisely quantify sensorimotor ability.

 Robust and representative quantification of movement smoothness

Objectives

- Investigation of the performance of four selected smoothness measures on healthy and stroke data.

- Analyze and comparison of the performance of these measures.

Student repartition among mini-projects

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