BIOMIMETIC DESIGN

Day 2

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SCHEDULE

<u>Over the course of 7 weeks</u> [15:30 - 18:00]

3 Assignments:

[1 week][1 week][4 weeks : this is your core project]

TODAY

1. Readings 3:30 - 4:10

2. Go over your projects 4:10 - 4:40

2. Lecture : 4:40 - 5:30Types of motion & actuators[break]Achieving Motion with form & code

4. Biological systemsDebrief & Assignment #25:30 - 6:00

NEXT WEEK

 Discussion + Lecture: AI / Cybernetics & Cyborgs Synthetic biology & Living design Renewable Energy Biological & Digital Inputs: Sensors

- 2. HW presentations
- 3. Launch Final Assignment

In class worktime on initial ideas

BIOMIMETIC EXAMPLES

What makes a biomimetic design effective?

Is it always effective to use biology as an inspiration for optimization and model?

What are the limitations?

What is the potential?

BIOMIMETIC PRINCIPLES

- Nature runs on sunlight
- Nature uses only the energy it needs
- Nature fits form to function
- Nature recycles everything
- Nature rewards cooperation
- Nature banks on diversity
- Nature demands local expertise
- Nature curbs excesses from within
- Nature taps the power of limits

- Jan Benyus

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mimicking human digestion

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CIRCUMVENTIVE ORGANS



FLOOD-READY MANHATTAN

Inspired by flexible mesh webbing to increase resilience



ANIMAL - COMPUTER INTERACTION



Utrecht School of the Arts, Playing with Pigs, Pig Chase

ANIMAL - COMPUTER INTERACTION



Natalie Jeremijenko, Communication Technology for Birds,

PROJECTS

Project presentations [7 minutes]

- 1. What biological system or joint is your device based on?
- 2. What type of motion is it?
- 3. What is the purpose of the system?

MOTION

- 1. Types of Motion
- 2. Simple Machines
- 3. Actuators to create motion
- 4. Types of Algorithms for motion:-Oscillation
 - -sine waves
 - -frequency, period, amplitude, wavelength -Inverse Kinematics



github.com/gabriella/exploringBiomimicry

TYPES OF MOTION

Linear
circular (around an axis)
oscillation or periodic motion
vibration [reciprocating]
random [Brownian]

LINEAR

One dimensional: Motion along a straight line

A. uniform (constant velocity, no acceleration) B. variable velocity



LINEAR

ELBOW KNEE



CIRCULAR

Around a fixed axis, or on a circular path

A. uniform (constant velocity, no acceleration)B. variable velocity



BALL IN SOCKET

SHOULDER HIP





ROTATION



OSCILLATON

Periodic : back and forth at regular intervals Reciprocation : repetitive back and forh





EARTHWORM MILLIPEDE

VIBRATION

movement around one equilibrium point



RANDOM

Random moving of particles suspended in a fluid



ACTUATORS

servo motors (continuous or ~180)

linear actuators

stepper motors

dc motors (w/ encoders)

motorless (muscle wire, air)







MOTORLESS MOTION

Fluid Pressure Hydraulics Pneumatics

"Artificial Muscle" Memory Alloy Nitinol wire Polymers

STELARC'S PNEUMATICS

LOW POWER ROBOT

NITINOL

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CONVERTING MOTION

Cranks Cams Linkages



Rotary to oscillating motion







The cam turns and the cam follower moves up and down

LINKAGES

Connection between units, at a joint


6 SIMPLE MACHINES

- Gears
 Pulleys
 Levers
 Wheels
 Screws
- 6. Inclined Planes

GEARS

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Spur Gears Worm Gears Rack and Pinion





PULLEYS

Wheel on an axel supports movement of a cable







1st class lever:

2nd class lever:





WHEELS

Rotation around the axel



INCLINED PLANES

Mechanical advantage = length/height





Special type of inclined plane around interior shaft



MOTIONS IN CODE

Sine wave Inverse Kinematics

[Flocking Particle Systems Line Following Edge Detection]

y = A * sin(b)

A = amplitude of the wave b = period (cycles between 0 and 360 degrees (2PI))

A = 1A = 2A = 1/2



y = A * sin(b)

y = sin(x) y = sin(1/2x)y = sin(2x)



$$y = A * sin(b)$$

y = A * sin(b)



Wednesday, September 11, 13









some code

IN HARDWARE

- 1. sweep
- 2. wave table array
- 3. servo sine wave class
- 4. inverse kinematics

BIOLOGICAL FUNCTIONS

- 1. Maintenance
- 2. Metabolism
- 3. Nutrition
- 4. Respiration
- 5. Growth
- 6. Exchange of Materials
- 7. Transportation
- 8. Excretion
- 9. Irritability

VIRUSES?

POSITIVE FEEDBACK



POSITIVE FEEDBACK



NEGATIVE FEEDBACK



NEGATIVE FEEDBACK









Human Population: Past, Present, and Future



SYMBIOSIS : MUTUALISM



SYMBIOSIS : COMMENSALISM





SYMBIOSIS : PARASITISM





CORDYCEPS FUNGI


- DEFENSIVE
- AGGRESSIVE
- AUTOMIMICRY









TODAY

- 1. readings & homework
- 2. demo projects
- 2. methods of motion & lecture
- 4. assignment

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ASSIGNMENTS

What ideas do you have for a final project in this class?

ASSIGNMENT

By Tuesday at 2 PM, have your posts (or links to posts) up online GROUPS OF 3

Build a new kind of biomimetic sensor:

Identify a living organism, or the sensory system of a particular organism. Design a concept for a new type of sensor that mimics that organic system. [You can use organic material]

Present at a concept diagram that explains:

- 1. who is the user?
- 2. what is the task accomplished?
- 3. Why is it unique?

4. Outline the technological / fabrication methods that you would use to accomplish this.