

A Report on Necrobotic based Surgical Treatment of Human Eye

Introduction

Necrobotics is an emerging interdisciplinary field that combines elements of biology, robotics, and engineering to harness the potential of deceased biological organisms, particularly spiders, in the development of robotic systems capable of performing intricate tasks. This innovative field capitalizes on the unique structural and biomechanical properties of biological tissues, which can be engineered to create functional devices with a wide range of potential applications. The report provides a comprehensive analysis of the utilization of necrobotics, with a specific emphasis on a necrobotic gripper constructed from spider legs. Furthermore, it explores the potential use of this technology in the context of eye surgery, highlighting the promising prospects for enhancing precision and dexterity in delicate surgical procedures.

Necrobotic Gripper Fabrication:

The necrobotic gripper depicted in the image is constructed using a spider's legs after euthanizing the spider. The process involves:

1. **Euthanizing the Spider:** The spider is carefully preserved after euthanasia, ensuring that its structural integrity is maintained.
2. **Fabrication:** The spider's leg is modified by inserting a needle, which allows control over its movement. A self-sealing mechanism is applied using glue to ensure that the system remains operational after multiple uses.
3. **Spider Leg Mechanism:** The diagram illustrates how the spider's leg operates, with the bending and stretching of the leg joints affecting its sensitivity. This movement is leveraged to control gripping mechanisms, allowing precise handling of delicate objects.

Advantages of the Necrobotic Gripper:

The necrobotic gripper has been shown to actuate between 700 and 1,000 times, making it a reliable option for repeated operations. Its biodegradable nature, combined with the ability to

perform precise, delicate tasks, sets it apart from traditional robotic grippers. The rapid fabrication process and cost-effectiveness further add to its appeal.

Application in Eye Surgery:

The necrobotic system is proposed for use in eye surgeries, as shown in the lower portion of the image. The gripper, attached to a syringe, is capable of holding a dropper for drug release. Its delicate handling capabilities make it suitable for precise surgical interventions in sensitive areas like the human eye. The image suggests its use in treating various eye conditions, including:

- **Cataracts**
- **Glaucoma**
- **Diabetic Retinopathy**
- **Vitreomacular Traction**
- **Macular Degeneration**

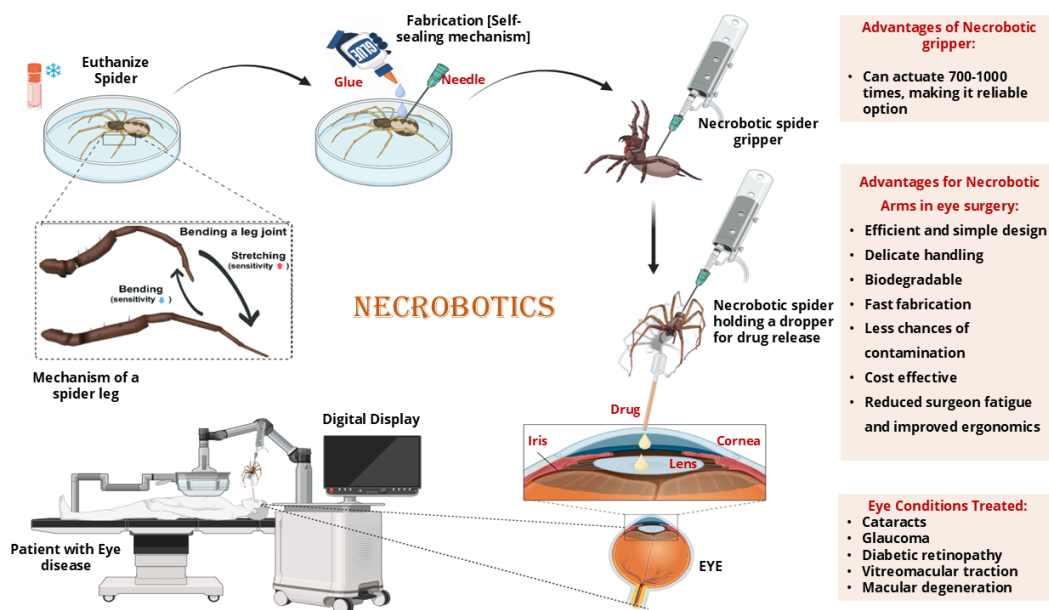


Fig.1. Proposed Framework for Necrobot based Eye Surgery

Advantages for Eye Surgery:

- **Efficient and Simple Design:** The necrobotic arm provides a minimalistic yet highly functional design that simplifies complex tasks.
- **Delicate Handling:** The spider-leg gripper is highly sensitive, making it ideal for tasks requiring precision, such as drug delivery during eye surgeries.

- **Biodegradable:** Since the components are biological, the environmental impact is reduced, making it a sustainable solution.
- **Reduced Contamination Risk:** The use of biodegradable materials reduces the chances of contamination.
- **Cost-effective:** The system offers an affordable solution compared to traditional robotic surgical instruments.
- **Ergonomics:** The design reduces surgeon fatigue, as the necrobotic arms are lightweight and easy to manoeuvre, improving ergonomic efficiency during surgeries.

Mechanism of Drug Delivery

The necrobotic spider gripper, shown holding a dropper, releases drugs directly into the eye. The process involves precise movements that deliver the medication with minimal invasion. This method ensures controlled drug administration, reducing potential risks during delicate surgeries. Necrobotics represents a novel and innovative approach to combining biological organisms with robotics for practical applications. In this case, the necrobotic gripper fabricated from spider legs demonstrates significant potential in eye surgeries, particularly for delicate procedures that require precision and careful handling. Its efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and sustainability highlight its advantages over traditional robotic systems. As research progresses, necrobotics could transform various fields, especially in medical applications requiring fine motor control and high sensitivity.

Dynamic Modelling and Numerical simulations of synchronous motion of limbs of Wolf Spider with 7DOF

In the present work we simulate the dynamics of two limbs of spider both having 7DOF, it is proposed that these limbs operate synchronously while gripping the object.

A wolf spider comprises of 8 limbs each with 7DOF. In the present work we demonstrate the synchronous motion of 2 limbs (14 joints) to better understand the gripping mechanism by a spider for a grasping operation.

To simulate a multi-link robotic system using Lagrangian dynamics, we need to derive the equations of motion. Here's a step-by-step outline for how to do this for a simplified 2D planar robot arm (e.g., 7-link robot).

The workflow:

1. **Define coordinates:** Generalized coordinates for the robotic arm are the joint angles θ_i , where i ranges from 1 to 7.
2. **Kinetic energy:** The kinetic energy T is the sum of the kinetic energies of each link, considering both translational and rotational kinetic energy.
3. **Potential energy:** The potential energy U arises from the height of each link, using gravitational potential energy.
4. **Lagrangian:** The Lagrangian is defined as $L=T-U$.
5. **Equations of motion:** The Euler-Lagrange equation gives the equations of motion

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

These equations will give us the accelerations for each joint $\ddot{\theta}_i$

For simplicity, we demonstrate how to set up the equations of motion for a two-link system and then simulate this using Python. Extending this to a 7-link robot follows similar steps but increases in complexity.

The Workflow:

1. **Kinetic energy** and **potential energy** are computed for both links.
2. **Lagrangian mechanics** is used to derive the equations of motion.
3. The `scipy.integrate.solve_ivp` solver is used to simulate the time evolution of the system.
4. The output plot shows the joint angles θ_1 and θ_2 over time.

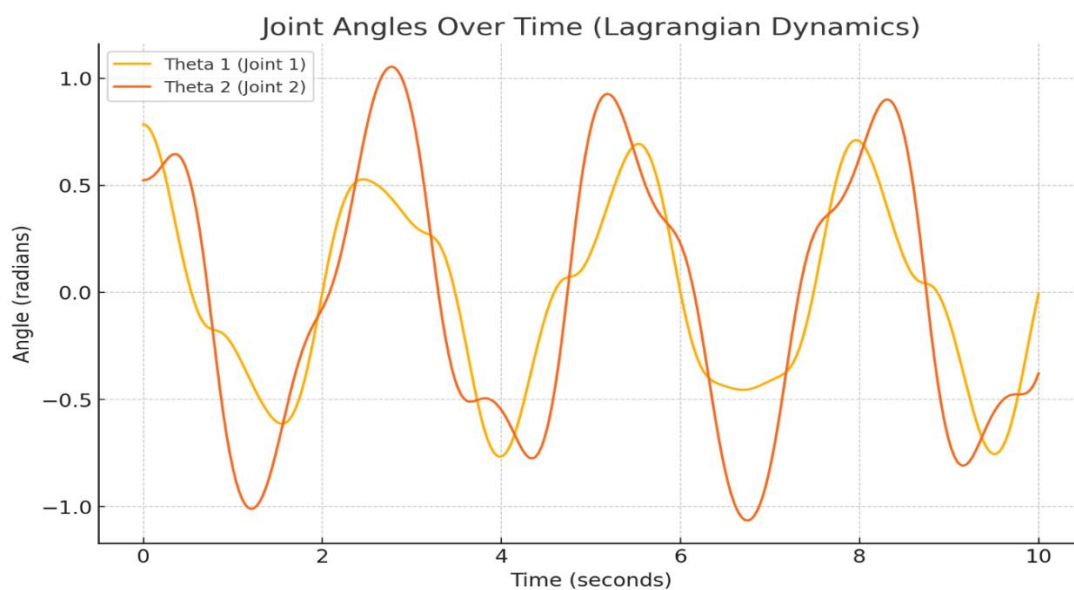


Fig.2. Numerical Simulations of Two link Lagrangian Dynamics

Fig.2.show the joint angles of a two-link robot over time using Lagrangian dynamics. The angles for Joint 1 and Joint 2 evolve according to the derived equations of motion, with time-varying behaviour influenced by gravitational and inertial forces.

Extension to 7-Link Robot:

The approach remains the same but requires adding more terms for each additional joint (kinetic and potential energies). Each generalized coordinate θ_i and its corresponding velocity $\dot{\theta}_i$ need to be considered, and the Lagrangian must be updated accordingly.

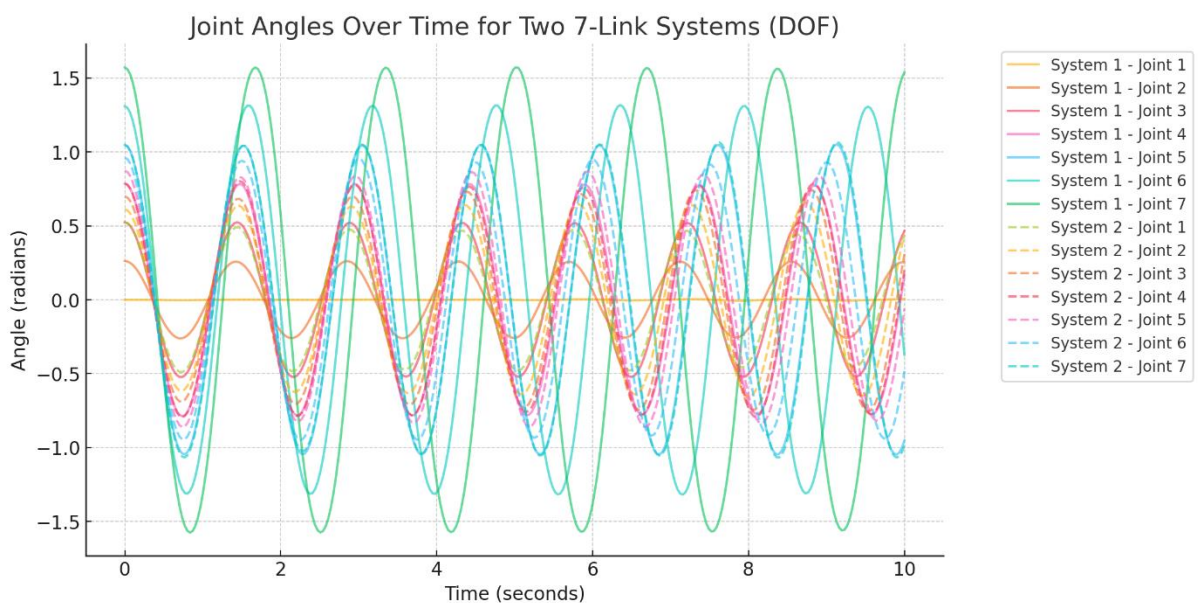


Fig.3. Numerical Simulations of Seven link Lagrangian Dynamics

Here is the plot showing the joint angles of a two-link robot over time using Lagrangian dynamics. The angles for Joint 1 and Joint 2 evolve according to the derived equations of motion, with time-varying behaviour influenced by gravitational and inertial forces.

Fig.3. reports the dynamics of the 7-link robot are modelled in a simplified form, treating each joint as an independent pendulum-like system influenced by gravity. Here's a breakdown of the dynamics at a conceptual level:

Simplified Dynamics:

1. Joint Angles and Angular Velocities:

- The generalized coordinates of the system are the joint angles $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3 \dots \dots \dots, \theta_i$.

- Each joint's angular velocity $\dot{\theta}_i$ represents the rate of change of that angle over time.

2. Gravity's Influence:

- Each link experiences gravitational torque, which is modelled by a term proportional to $-g \cdot m_i \cdot \sin(\theta_i)$, where g is gravitational acceleration, m_i is the mass of the link, and θ_i is the angle of the link with respect to the vertical.
- This gravitational torque tends to bring the link back to the vertical position ($\theta_i = 0$).

3. The System Dynamics:

- For simplicity, each link is treated like an independent pendulum, where its motion is governed by a balance between gravitational torque and inertia (mass and length).
- The angular acceleration $\ddot{\theta}_i$ for each link is approximated by a simplified pendulum equation:

$$\ddot{\theta}_i \approx \frac{-g \cdot m_i \cdot \sin(\theta_i)}{L_i} + \text{disturbances} \quad (1)$$

- This equation is not the full Lagrangian dynamics but gives a rough approximation for the angular accelerations.

4. Random Disturbances:

- To simulate some form of variability, a small random disturbance is added to each joint's acceleration in the form of `np.random.uniform(-0.5, 0.5)`. This introduces random behaviour that slightly perturbs the motion, simulating effects such as external forces or modelling errors.

Conclusion

Advancements in surgical robotics have led to the emergence of necrobotics-based eye surgery, which integrates biological tissue with robotic systems to create highly dexterous, biohybrid tools. Necrobotic devices, constructed from biological materials such as deceased spider legs, retain their mechanical functionality after death, enabling surgeons to achieve unprecedented control in delicate procedures like eye surgery. This innovative approach offers potential advantages, including improved precision, biocompatibility, and reduced risk

of infection due to the absence of living biological components. Additionally, necrobotic devices could facilitate minimally invasive operations, thereby enhancing the safety and accessibility of complex surgeries. As this technology continues to evolve, it holds the promise of revolutionizing microsurgical procedures, opening up new possibilities for treatment in ophthalmology and beyond.

Future Scope

1. **Material Advancements:** Future research could focus on enhancing the mechanical durability and responsiveness of necrobotic components, ensuring their long-term usability in a clinical setting. Innovations in preserving and manipulating biological tissues could lead to even greater precision in surgery.
2. **Customization for Complex Surgeries:** Necrobotics could be further customized to suit various delicate surgeries beyond ophthalmology, including neuro and cardiovascular microsurgery. These adaptations could expand the range of applications, optimizing the surgical process for complex medical conditions.
3. **Integration with AI:** The integration of AI and machine learning algorithms with necrobotic systems could enable real-time feedback and adaptive control during surgery, enhancing precision and safety. This combination could facilitate automated or semi-automated surgical procedures, reducing surgeon fatigue and human error.
4. **Surgical Training and Simulation:** Necrobotic-based tools can be integrated into advanced surgical training simulators, providing medical professionals with a more realistic experience in performing intricate procedures. This could help train surgeons to handle complex cases with greater confidence and accuracy.
5. **Ethical and Regulatory Considerations:** As the field of necrobotics advances, regulatory bodies and ethicists will need to address the ethical implications of using deceased biological materials in medical devices. Standardized protocols and regulations will be necessary to ensure the safe and ethical use of necrobotic tools in clinical environments.
6. **Cost-Effective Solutions:** The development of scalable, cost-effective necrobotic systems could lead to more affordable and accessible surgical technology, particularly in developing regions where access to advanced healthcare remains limited.

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