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Research in PROCESS CONTROL

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RESEARCH FIELDS

- Conventional control system structures
- Advanced control systems.

KEYWORDS

Fuzzy logic control; iterative methods; sliding mode control; intelligent systems; 2-DOF control; stability analysis; sensitivity analysis; mobile robots; servo systems; embedded systems; signal processing.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Development of conventional and advanced control systems
- > Signal processing in control systems
- > Soft computing in industrial applications
- Development of control systems for servo systems
- Development of control systems for mobile robots.

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RESEARCH GRANTS AND PROJECTS

National grants and projects

1. Research Grant of the National University Research Council (CNCSIS), Type A, no. 98GR, theme 14, code 370. Title: Analysis and development of intelligent control systems with fuzzy controllers dedicated to servosystems. Director: Prof. dr. eng. Stefan Preitl (granted value for 2008: 61,600 RON)

Research team: Prof. Stefan Preitl – project director, Prof. Radu-Emil Precup, MSc student Corina Ardelean.

Fuzzy control is one particular case of nonlinear control techniques. Fuzzy controllers are usually developed heuristically, and the evident necessity for systematic development methods of these controllers has not been covered till now. The iterative techniques are not generally connected to the process models. So they are used in embedded and mechatronic systems applications. The project offers systematic approaches with respect.

The controller structures and software created in the project were tested in servo systems control problems focused on different categories of processes. The experimental results highlight the control system performance enhancement. Approx. 14 papers were presented and/or published in journals and conference proceedings.

Research Grant of the National Centre for Programme Management (CNMP), Type PN2 Partnerships in Priority R&T Domains (2008-2011),Programme no. 12100 01.10.2008. Title: Real-time informatics technologies for embedded-system-control of power-train in automotive design and applications (SICONA). Partners: "Politehnica" University of Timisoara (PUT) - P2, "Gh. Asachi" Technical University of Iasi coordinator, Politehnica University Bucharest - P1, SC Siemens VDO Automotive - P3. Director: Prof. dr. eng. Corneliu Lazăr (TUI), director of PUT partner (P2): Prof. dr. eng. Radu-Emil Precup (granted value for 2008: 0 RON)

Research team: Prof. Radu-Emil Precup – director of PUT partner (P2), Prof. Stefan Preitl, Assoc. Prof. Florin Drăgan, Lect. Dan Ungureanu-Anghel, Assist. Prof. Daniel Iercan, Assist. Prof. Emil Voişan, PhD student Petru Alexandru Clep, PhD student Ion-Bogdan Ursache, PhD student Mircea-Bogdan Radac, PhD and MSc student Claudia-Adina Dragoş, MSc student Ioan-Marius Mezin.

The main objective of the project consists in developing new informatics technologies for improving the performances of the embedded systems controlling the power-train of cars equipped with automated gearboxes. The project applies modern modelling and control strategies to the power-train and its subsystems. On these bases, real-time software modules are developed for the embedded systems, yielding much better operation performances than ensured by the currently used solutions (meaning PID regulation).

Several nonlinear and linearized models and low-cost control solutions for an electromagnetic actuator have been proposed and tested in 2008 by the research team at the P2 partner. They include Tensor Product-based models and S functions. The digital simulation results show the control system performance enhancement. Approx. 4 papers were presented and/or published in journals and conference proceedings.

International grants and projects

Bilateral research 2008-2009. contract. partners: "Politehnica" University of Timisoara Romania, and Budapest Polytechnical Institution (BMF), Hungary, Type PN2 Capacities Module III Programme (2008-2009), Protocol of the 4th Meeting of the Romanian-Hungarian Intergovernmental Committee on Cooperation in Science and Technology / 18.02.2008; RO ID 39 in Annex 2. Title: Integration of Iterative Learning Control (ILC) and Fuzzy Methods in Intelligent Control Systems. Directors: Prof. dr. eng. Stefan Preitl (PUT, Romanian partner) and Prof. dr. Janos Fodor (BMF, Hungarian partner) (granted value for 2008: 0 RON and 8.000 EUR)

Research team: Prof. Stefan Preitl – director of Romanian partner, Prof. Radu-Emil Precup – associate directror of Romanian partner, Assoc. Prof. Florin Drăgan, PhD student Ion-Bogdan Ursache, PhD student Petru Alexandru Clep, Assist. Prof. Emil Voișan, Assist Prof. Daniel Iercan, PhD and MSc student Claudia-Adina Dragoș.

The grant concerns the analysis, development and implementation of new intelligent fuzzy control structures, design techniques and applications on iterative feedback control. The mathematical support is very complex, and the approach needs a strong cooperation between specialist in mathematic/informatics and control engineers. Consequently, ILC techniques treated by the Romanian partner must be completed by Fuzzy logic techniques. Fuzzy logic is one of the primary research areas at the Hungarian partner.

Fuzzy controllers are developed usually in heuristic manner, and the obvious necessity for systematic development methods dedicated to these controllers has not been covered yet. Also, the sensitivity and stability analysis of fuzzy systems is in permanent actuality.

The two research teams co-organize biannually the International Symposiums on Applied Computational Intelligence and Informatics (SACI), in Timisoara, dedicated to the exchange of research results in the field. Approx. 10 joint papers were presented and/or published in journals and conference proceedings.

Bilateral research contract. 2008-2009. partners: "Politehnica" University of Timisoara (PUT), Romania, and University of Ljubljana (UL), Slovenia, Type PN2 Capacities Module III Programme (2008-2009), Protocol of the Third Meeting of the Joint Committee for Scientific and Technological Co-operation between Romania and the Republic of Slovenia / 11.12.2007-24.12.2007; ID no 3 in Annex 1. Title: New results in development and applications of fuzzy controlsystems. Directors: Prof. dr. eng. Radu-Emil Precup (PUT, Romanian partner) and Assoc. Prof. dr. Škrjanc (UL, Slovenian partner) (granted value for 2008: 0 RON and 8.000 EUR)

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The grant deals with the development and implementation of new fuzzy control structures and design techniques that employ the stability analysis, the sensitivity analysis with respect to parametric variations of the controlled plants, the predictive control techniques and the fuzzy modelling. Several classes of fuzzy control systems are investigated. It is justified to unify and complement the efforts of the two research teams to contribute to better systematic application-oriented approaches resulting in low-cost fuzzy control systems.

The control solutions created by the two research teams are based on their previous experience. The results are tested in several industrial and non-industrial applications. The laboratory equipment at both partners allows the implementation of fuzzy controllers aiming the illustration of the performance improvements. Approx. 5 joint papers were presented and/or published in journals and conference proceedings.

PERSPECTIVE DOMAINS

- Methods for algorithmic design of conventional and intelligent controllers (fuzzy, neural, genetic, sliding mode)
- Methods for signal processing and computeraided design of control systems
- Analysis and development of Intelligent Systems
- Solutions for automatic design of model-free control structures
- Control solutions in power systems, electrical drives, general industrial automation, mobile robots.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- > Control systems ensuring desired sensitivity
- Tools for computer-aided design of 2-DOF controllers
- Computer-aided techniques in Iterative Feedback Tuning and Iterative Learning Control
- > Low cost solutions for control problems dedicated to mobile robots
- Derivative-free optimization of control systems
- Methods and tools to enable the systematic development of fuzzy control systems.



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Researches in SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION, ADAPTIVE SYSTEMS, RENEWABLE ENERGY

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RESEARCH FIELDS

- > System modelling, identification and simulation
- Unconventional energetic
- Neural networks and fuzzy systems
- ➤ Adaptive control systems

KEYWORDS

Modelling; identification and simulation of systems; neural networks and fuzzy systems; wind energy conversion systems; unconventional energetic; adaptive control; self-tuning.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- ➤ Modelling, simulation and development of wind energy conversion systems (WECS)
- ➤ Identification and parameter estimation of electrical machines (asynchronous and synchronous)
- Development of new enhanced electrical machines types
- Development of control systems for WECS
- Control software development in industrial applications
- Modelling and simulation of systems with neural networks
- Development of WECS software
- Development of adaptive control structures
- Development of data acquisition systems.

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- Timisoara, Transactions on Mechanics, ISSN 1224-6077, fascicol 1, Tom 53(67), 2008, pp. 141–144
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RESEARCH GRANTS AND PROJECTS

National grants and projects

1. National University Research Council (CNCSIS), research grant "Researches regarding the control of new wind aggregates structures, with non-regulated blades and permanent magnet synchronous generator", Grant Type A, CNCSIS Code 372/2008, Contract no. 98GR/11.06.2008, Director: Prof. Octavian Prostean, PhD, Financial value: 68,000 RON

The proposed project has the research theme, goal and objectives associated to the priority research domains at international level, researches regarding the control of new wind aggregates structures with vertical axis for conversion of renewable energies, with turbine self limiting blades, with non-regulated position. The thematic area concerns the increase of the usage degree of wind energy conversion systems as a non-pollutant energy source, conducting to the reducing of carbon emissions and pollution due to the usage of non-ecological resources (coal/gases/oil energy plants), highly pollutant, in concordance to the global trend of ecologic energy production. The scientific importance and the fundamental research character of the proposed grant resides from the fact that the researches regard a scientific domain of a real actual interest, the usage of vertical axis wind turbines with non regulated pitch blades and without limiting, with permanent magnet synchronous machines, having controlled rotation through the load, operating optimally, with variable rotation, usable in urban space (roof-top wind generators). The researches are extremely opportune and focused towards the cost reduction, the performances and efficiency increase, the repayment time period reduction. All those will become possible due to new innovative solutions, among them subscribing the one forecasted within grant researches regarding new elements and structures of the conversion line of wind energy into electrical energy (the elimination of the gearbox, new generator constructions and frequency converters) and respectively new structures and control methods for wind aggregates. The scientific importance is sustained by the new, original proposed solutions, opening the means of effective applicability in the power energy domain, but not only.

PERSPECTIVE DOMAINS

- Real time control of induction and synchronous machines using LabView (LabWindowsCVI) using the National Instruments Data Acquisition Systems and by using DSpace hardware
- Advanced control of wind aggregates
- Neural network control systems

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Study of innovative control systems for wind aggregates: MPPT methods, genetic algorithms
- Tools for statistical wind measurement related data, for short-term forecasting used in wind speed prediction based windmill control systems and for simulation of autonomous wind farms aggregates



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Researches in MEDICAL INFORMATICS

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RESEARCH FIELDS

- Health Information Systems, E-Health, Telemedicine
- > Software architectures
- Distributed and Mobile Applications.

KEYWORDS

Distributed medical informatics; applied informatics; telemedicine, e-Health.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- > Development of mobile applications in medical informatics
- > Study and development of different solutions for integrated healthcare networks.
- > Implementation of standards in healthcare

RESULTS

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RESEARCH GRANTS AND PROJECTS

1. IBM Central/Eastern Europe, Middle East, and Africa (CEMA) Faculty Awards Program, Analysing solutions for consistent healthcare services that support the continuity of care document representation using an IBM solution for SOA management.

Participants: Lăcrămioara Stoicu-Tivadar, Vasile Stoicu-Tivadar, Dorin Berian, Romina Pintea ("Politehnica" University of Timișoara).

The objectives included: the analysis of the actual state of the art regarding evidence based medicine and the possibility to use SOA approach to the development of the domain, definition of the technical specifications for the proposed system, the development of the core of the application, integrating the specifications of the HL7 standard, the design and development of the HL7 interfaces that will allow the HIS to communicate with adjacent medical systems, inserting the results to the content of a lecture in a master program.

The R&D activities were:

- development of a Computer Cluster (2 Servers, 2 Workstations) for testing & validation of the solution
- Analysis of the WebSphere Business Services Fabric facilities for support in healthcare regarding message communication using HL7 standards;
- implementation
- testing
- dissemination of the results
- development of new Courses and Labs
- running the new developed Courses and Labs
- issuing the conclusions (final common meeting with medical and technical domain people).

The project gathered experiences from the medical and IT domains regarding the implementation of standards for communication of medical messages. The final goal was to ensure interoperability of systems in healthcare that will have as result lower costs on long term and a better clinical practice based on evidence from a large data set. The obtained results will help clients to achieve quicker (less time, less money) and more efficient implementation processes using service-oriented applications. The solution will try to find answers using the IBM key-segments from its offer of services and products: preparing IT infrastructure for SOA and creating SOA specialised on activity domains.

We used a new technological platform – based on SOA that support semantic standards. In the project we will do this research referring to HL7 standard. We intend to work using the IBM products HL7 CDA (Clinical Document Architecture) Builder. We studied and implemented the facilities offered by WebSphere Transformation Extender Pack for HL7, IBM WebSphere Transform Ext Pk HL7 V8.0.1. The hardware support was insured by IBM powerful equipment.

The project was financed by IBM Company, as a result of a worldwide competition.

2. 2nd Romanian National Research Program TELEASIS – NGN support-based, Complex System for home tele-attendance of elderly people.

Participants: academic, research and medical organisations and SME's from Bucureşti, Timişoara, Iaşi, Piteşti. Local staff: Lăcrămioara Stoicu-Tivadar, Vasile Stoicu-Tivadar, Dorin Berian, Romina Pintea, Raul Robu, Andreea Robu, Vasile Topac, ("Politehnica" University of Timisoara).

The main objective of the project is the development of a tele-support system for elderly people, from medical and social perspective, as well. This system has as a goal the implementation and development of the social and medical support services of elderly people, at their homes, in accordance with the fulfilment of the requirement of this category, to live in their own homes not in asylum. In this way, the project contributes to increase the active live duration of the people, and to optimise the customised management of the way of life of the assisted person.

The planned R&D activities will develop:

- an experimental model for a specific local intelligent unit for the homes of the elderly people
- an experimental model for the Teleassistace Centre
- the telecare network
- the specific database and the required software solutions
- a model of tele-attendance services
- a complete guide of the developed knowhow and technology.

The project will contribute to the development of knowledge related to NGN networks, and

middleware technologies, to the development of the complex tele-attendance software systems.

3. 2nd Romanian National Research Program SIMIMED –Integrated medical information management system based on HL7 Standard.

Participants: academic and medical organisations and SME's from Cluj, Timişoara, and Braşov. Local staff: Lăcrămioara Stoicu-Tivadar, Vasile Stoicu-Tivadar, Dorin Berian, Romina Pintea, Raul Robu, Andreea Robu, Vasile Topac ("Politehnica" University of Timişoara).

The main objective of the project is the research, design and implementation of a pilot integrated system development for the management of the patients, human and material resources in a hospital (Hospital Information System – HIS), based on the more advances Standards form the medical informatics domain - HL7, DICOM, EN 13606, adapted to the needs of the Romanian Healthcare system.

The planned R&D activities are:

- The analysis of the actual context and the general design
- The technical specifications definition for the HIS
- The development of the kernel of the HIS, including the compliance with HL7 Standard
- The design and the implementation of the software modules for each medical speciality
- The design and development of HL7compliant communication interfaces with other Healthcare information systems
- The enlargement of the partnership with other medical organisations in order to implement the results of the project

In this way, the project will develop a modular and flexible solution that one can adapt to any Healthcare organisation, and can integrate with other existing Healthcare Information systems.

PERSPECTIVE DOMAINS

- a. Distributed architectures and appropriate technological solutions
- b. Mobile applications and related technologies
- c. Interoperability standards in distributed medical informatics
- d. Solutions for integrated healthcare networks and interoperability

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

The group intends to develop strategic researches on the directions specified in the domain by the European Community:

The Education and Training of high level healthcare managers and policy makers on the

- strategic role of ICT in Healthcare and change management
- > To implement programmes on education and training, and other actions to promote awareness and to reduce resistance to change of healthcare professionals
- To set up specific awareness actions addressing sensitive groups, such as: academic circles, high reputation specialists at university hospitals and other local medical opinion leaders, clinical research groups, medicine and nursing students
- To improve mutual learning for the transferring part too, particularly to avoid cultural mismatches

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RESEARCH FIELDS

- Advanced Control of AC drives: Sensorless Control of IPMSM; Fault-tolerant Control
- Automotive Electric Actuation Technologies
- > Applications to Electric and Hybrid Vehicles.

KEYWORDS

Advanced control of electrical drives; Automotive electric actuation; Sensorless direct torque and flux control; State and disturbance observers; Variable structure flux-observer with signal injection; Active flux observer; Fault-tolerance; Fuzzy-interpolating implementation; Wind energy; Real-time implementations.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Control systems in Automotive electric actuation technologies
- Development of Sensorless control system with hybrid observer from zero speed for starter-generator with IPMSM for EHV
- Sensorless control of high-speed SPMSM
- ➤ Wind turbine PMSG sensorless control
- Real-time implementation and testing using DSpace for Sensorless control system of AC drives
- Informatics systems
- Solar energy.

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The goal is to develop and propose novel electrical actuators with power electronics and control systems for various functions in automobiles such as: starter/alternator in hybrid electric or electric vehicles; active steering, steering and braking by wire, climate control, independent valve actuation, active suspension damping, etc., need - for comfort improvement, a reasonable energy consumption and robust response. Now, after the first 42Vdc mild hybrid electric Toyota Crown Royal has become commercial in 2002, there is world-wide interest and effort to introduce more and improve power electronic controlled actuators on automobiles.

The project is aiming at the following *objectives*:

• To develop and validate a 42Vdc battery model and an efficient battery state estimator in order

- to optimally manage the energy consumption and storage on board of automobiles
- To propose a new power electronics control system for the claw-pole rotor alternator capable to work either at 14Vdc or 42Vdc for more power
- To develop better PMSM actuators and their advanced digital sensorless control with redundancy for active steering, steering-by-wire and electric braking-by-wire
- To develop new linear electric actuators for independent electric valve and active suspension damping control by power electronics for less peak power and energy consumption
- To investigate a novel starter/alternator configuration (Biaxial Excitation Generator for Automobiles-BEGA) and its control, characterized by very large constant power speed range, very low voltage regulation, good efficiency
- To propose and realize innovative small brushless electric actuators (less than 50W at 14/42Vdc) with low-cost electronic supply and control for various automotive accessories, such as: windshield wipers, window lifts, throttle plate control, positioning systems for lights, seats and rear mirrors, fuel injectors, cooling fans, blowers for HVAC, etc., as well as variable-speed pumps for oil, fuel and water. A V/F control with two novel stabilisation loops is proposed for high-speed IPMSM drives.

In 2008 – the final grant year, the main activities and results were to contribute for 4 experimental models realization and to do final experimental tests for all our objectives. There were elaborated the scientific and technical annual research report, and the final report on this subject. The research results have been published in international ISI journals and conference proceedings indexed in international data bases ISI-Proc., IEEE Xplore, INSPEC.

PERSPECTIVE DOMAINS

- ➤ Automotive control
- Advanced control of electric drives, Robotics
- ➤ Real-time control using LabView
- > Applications with FPGA using VHDL, Xilinx.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Control of EHV and Automotive Electric Actuator Technologies
- > DSpace platform, LabView real-time platform
- SCADA systems

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MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Methods of Temperature and Power Reduction in Embedded Systems and their Applications
- Modeling, Design and Development of Real-Time Systems for Critical Applications of Data Acquisition, Signal Processing and Embedded Control
- Development of unconventional computer architectures
- New interfaces based on image and speech recognition.

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MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Programming and distributed processing media
- Network protocols
- Designing, implementing and testing real-time executives for systems based on various microprocessors
- Implementing and testing real-time executives for dedicated applications
- Extending real-time concepts in distributed applications
- Integrating Enterprise Applications into GRID-Type Networks Using Service-Oriented Software Architectures
- Methods, Techniques and Structures for Adaptive Computing Applications in Data Communications Field

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MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Watchdog processor for reliability increasing of computers
- Selftesting development concepts
- Selfchecking development tools
- Digital system testing based on data compression (transitions counting syndrome, linear feedback shift register)
- Equipment structures with fault tolerant capability (error detecting and correcting codes, triple modular redundancy)
- Bio-Inspired Design of Applications on Reconfigurable Platforms

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- Simulation Based Reliability Assessment of Quantum Circuits - contract with CNCSIS -PN II, value 24800 RON, director Boncalo Oana
- 3. Dependability estimation for emerging bioinspired systems using hierarchical reconfiguring strategies contract with CNCSIS, value 56640 RON, director Prodan Lucian
- 4. Reversible and quantum circuits design for fault-tolerance contract with CNCSIS, value 70000 RON, director Udrescu Mihai
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- Designing and implementing relational databases with complex network structures
- Pattern recognition in medicine and chemistry
- Development of a hybrid expert system (rules
 + neural network) for research in infectious diseases
- Implementing complex distributed databases and Internet access to databases in companies, banks and local administration
- ➤ Interdisciplinary cooperation for expert and cognitive systems development
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- NanoSim: Micro/nanometric scale transport process in biomedicine and material science contract with Acad. Romana fil. Timisoara, UMF Bucuresti, UBB Cluj, UMF Timisoara, director Minea Marius
- Molecular biology inspired computation formalism - contract with Univ. Iasi, Inst. Inf. Teor. Acad. Iasi, director Minea Marius
- 5. Quality assurance in distributed software systems - contract with MCTI, value 5617 RON, director Marinescu Cristina

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KEYWORDS

Fault detection; identification and diagnosis; modelling; system safety and availability; controller design; process control; interpolating strategies; fuzzy logic; neural networks; control of electrical drives; virtual instruments; sensor networks; system identification.

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- Programmable Logic Controllers
- > Remote control
- Operating Systems
- Real-time Programming

KEYWORDS

Chaotic systems; programmable logic controllers; remote control

ACTIVITIES

- hard real-time technologies
- > robot motion and control
- analysis and synthesis of the electronic converters with chaotic behaviour

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KEYWORDS

Authentication protocols; digital signatures; publickey cryptography; entity authentication; message authentication; cryptography; cryptanalysis; oneway functions; trapdoor one-way functions; number theory; complexity theory.

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RESEARCH FIELDS

- > Friability of Medical Equipments
- Bionics
- Medical Diagnosis and Medical Informatics
- Artificial Intelligence (Expert Systems and Artificial Neural Networks)
- ➤ Medical Image Processing
- > Human Hand Prosthesis
- Prehension

KEYWORDS

Cochlear implantation; medical diagnosis; expert systems; human hand prosthesis; prehension.

ACTIVITIES

- Testing protocols for patients with cochlear implants
- Development of a diagnosis system based on: expert systems (logical and statistical inference), artificial neural networks and medical images.
- Development of a artificial hand hydraulically actuated

PUBLISHED PAPERS

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STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- > Testing protocols for cochlear implantation
- The communication interface between a hand prosthesis and the human body
- Decision-making using Bayesian Networks and Markov Chains

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