

Title: Control Simulator development for Hyper-redundant robot

Background

Hyper-Redundant robots are high dexterity robots that can carry out inspection and maintenance activities in constrained locations of a reactor. Such robots have multiple degrees of freedom at each joint and are controlled using tendons. The control of such robots require precise and simultaneous actuation of multiple motors using a suitable control platform such as PLC/PXI. RHRTD Division has two working hyper-redundant prototype robots that will be used to test the developed control system.

Objective and Scope of Project

The project aims at developing a robust control system simulator using suitable platform for accurate positioning of a hyper-redundant robot. The project involves a theoretical study and simulation of various solution techniques to determine the position of the robot end-effector due to change in actuating motors. The project output will include positioning algorithm of robot, measurement of positional accuracy for various test conditions, simulation on virtual model.

Relevant references [Publications, web links etc.]:

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A Hyper-Redundant Robot Development for Tokamak Inspection, in: Proc. Adv. Robot. - AIR, ACM Press,
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Eligibility: Only students of Electronics/Electronics and Communication/Electrical with understanding of control systems, algorithm development and programming in Python/Matlab/C++branches can submit their application at following email addresses

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