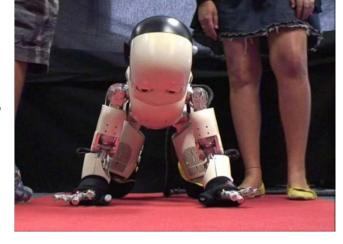


# (Force Controlled) iCub Balancing

#### Competences:

- Control theory
- Dynamic modeling
- Programming (C++)
- Biomechanics?
- Human motor control?





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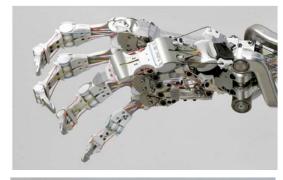




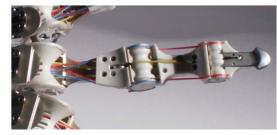
# **SOFT ROBOTICS**



- Growing interest in the research community on the development of "soft" robotic systems
- Other works within RBCS on this topic focused on the design of soft hands







- Antagonistic actuation
- Tendon driven
- Monolateral contact joints

These principles have been successfully integrated in the DLR HAND III system [Grebenstein et al. 2010] (see photos)

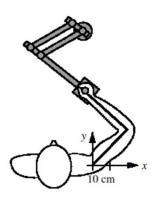
#### Competences:

- machine/mechanism design skills
- usage of 3D parametric CAD programs (ideally ProE)
- knowledge of the properties of and processes for polymeric materials

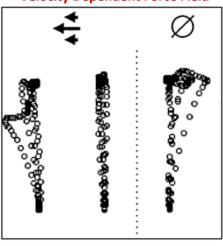


## Muscle Synergies and Cocontraction

### F. Mussa-Ivaldi



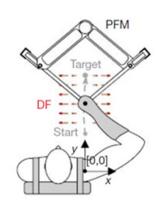
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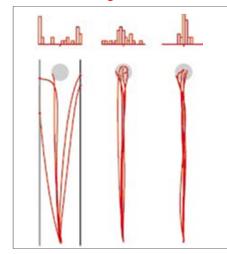


Initial After After Trials Learning Effects

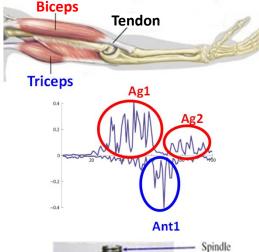
Divergent Field

### E. Burdet





## **EMG Signals**





#### Competences:

- Human motor control
- Biomechanics
- Dynamic modeling
- Data analysis



$$X = l_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 \end{pmatrix} + l_2 \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = l_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 \end{pmatrix} + (l_2 + \Delta) \begin{pmatrix} \cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

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