

## **RECENT IMPROVEMENTS AND VERIFICATION OF A FULL BODY MODEL IN OPENSIM**

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#### Introduction

- The dynamic feasibility criterion [1,2] that the subject's center of pressure (COP) be located within the base of support (BOS) which outlines the feet – has aided in assessing the stability of human motion recorded on earth while performing the recorded tasks in lunar gravity or countermeasures exercises on a vibration isolation and stabilization system in microgravity. • On occasion, unphysical large-amplitude oscillatory spikes were found in the subject's linear and angular momentum derivatives, affecting analyses that depend on forces and moments derived from motion capture
- Goal: Determine and verify updates which improve model scaling, BOS estimation, inverse kinematics (IK) results, ground reaction force [3] and COP [4] results derived from motion capture data collection

## **Original Results**

# **Improved Results**

Scaling and Base of Support





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### **Methods**

- **Data Collection with Additional Markers**
- Head improves scaling
- Feet improves scaling and BOS determination
- Medial elbow determines humerus orientation **Original Model**
- Modified OpenSim Rajagopal Full Body Model [6, 7, 8] Adjustments [9]
- Model
  - Shoulder Axes of Rotation
  - Pelvis Euler Angle Order
  - Rotation Limits
  - Additional Markers
- Scaling
- Additional Markers
- Constrained Inverse Kinematics
  - Additional Markers
  - Case-by-Case Markers
  - Virtual shoulder joint center markers [10]
  - Upper arm markers
- **Assess Results**
- Minimize marker error during IK





## Conclusions

- Improved automated marker-based model scaling results
- Improved accuracy of BOS estimation
- More reasonable joint angle rates of change
- Removed spikes in ground reaction force and COP results

## Challenges

- Stabilize arms retroactively for datasets lacking medial elbow markers
- Determine solutions that can be applied in all situations rather than on a case-by-case basis
- Verify scaled model mass distribution reflects individualized body types

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