

CPS : Synergy : Learning to Walk -Optimal Gait Synthesis and Online Learning for Terrain-Aware Legged Locomotion

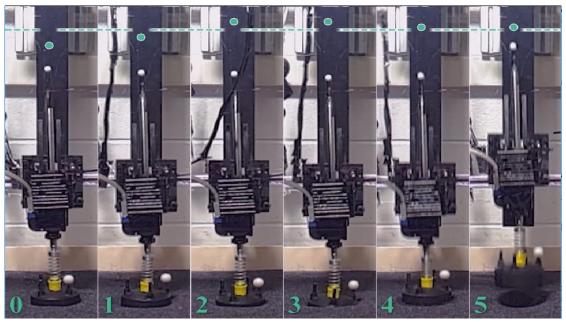
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Description

advance abilities of cyber-physical systems by tying sensing, perception, and computing to the optimization and control of physical systems whose properties are variable and uncertain.

- 1. **Model interactions** (robot-environment);
- 2. Stable gait generation and transition strategies;
- 3. **Online learning** of interactions;
- 4. Validated contributions on experimental testbeds;
- 5. Communicate value of STEM education.

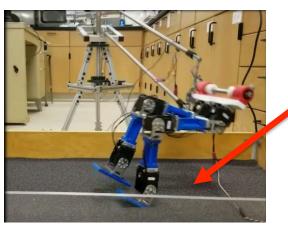
Findings



when modeled properly, online learning can be fast

learns in 5 trials; mostly gets it within 2

robust walking on granular terrain

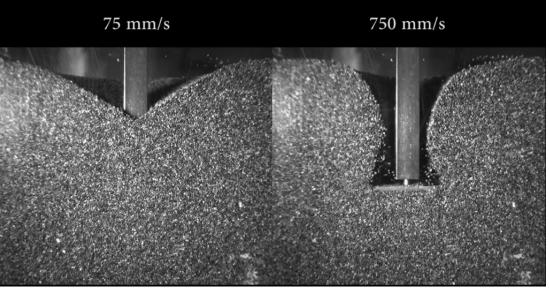


with robot-terrain model, walks! yes footprints

wrong model, falls immediately! no footprints



Additional Findings



foot-terrain interaction has speed dependence

force overshoot implies interesting terradynamics

optimal orbit transitions have nice fiber bundle structure

