

ERI: Tool Grasping Compliance and Stability of Underactuated Hands in Model-Mediated Telemanipulation

Project Introduction and Year 1 Development

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Motivation

Manufacturing Environment Hazards & Constraints

- Manufacturing environments present common safety and health risks to the workforce.
- Musculoskeletal disorder (MSDs) account for over 600,000 injuries/illnesses each year.
- COVID-19: the stay-at-home orders lead to many shutdowns of manufacturing industries.

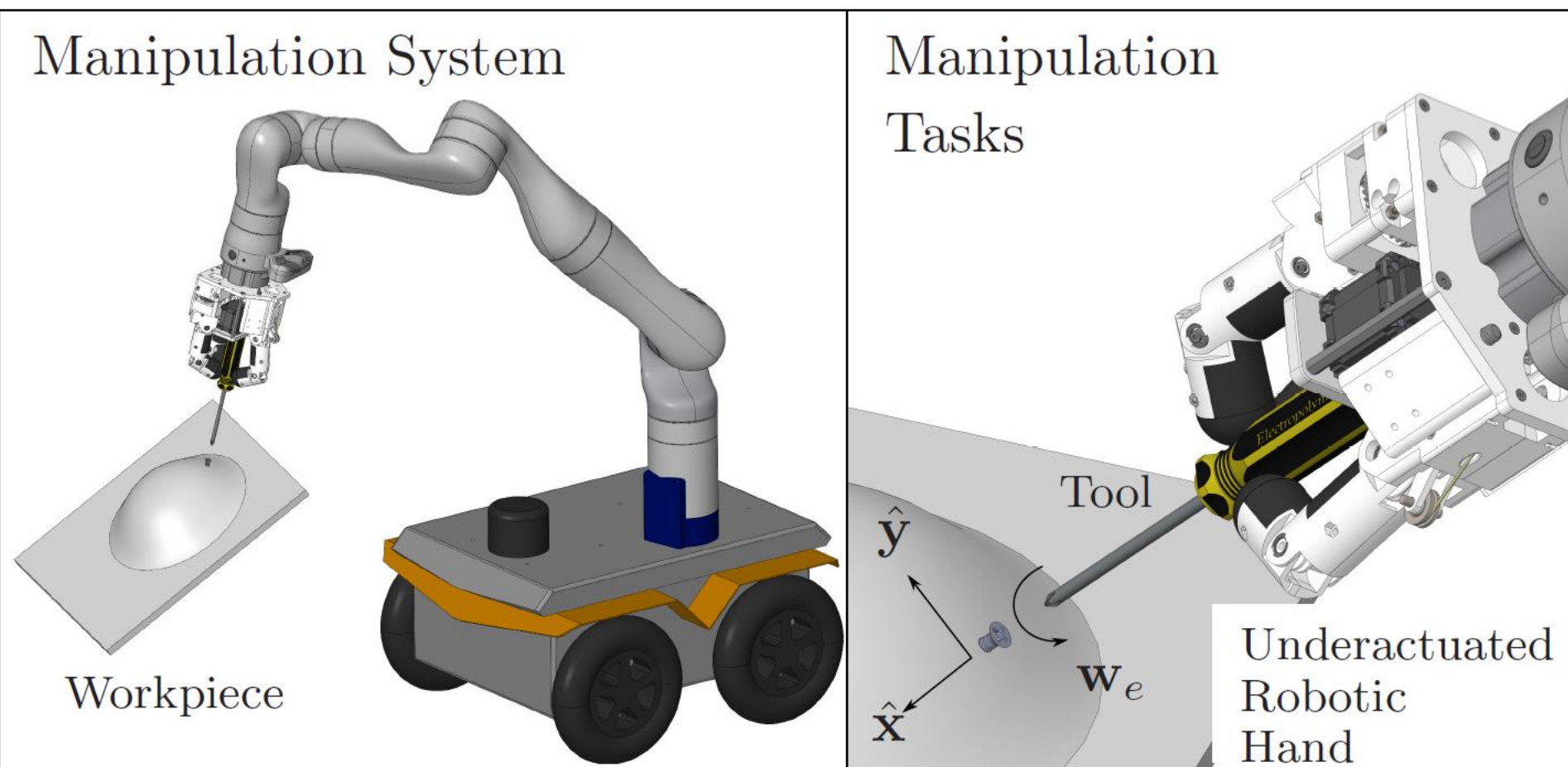
Empowering the Workforce

- Extend their physical reach, hands-on manipulation dexterity, and situational awareness intelligence, from local to remote sites.
- Target complex, ad-hoc, and on-demand manufacturing manipulation tasks (such as automotive assembly, airplane maintenance, or ship repairs).
- Utilize low-cost **underactuated** hands for handling **tools** in **force-controlled** tasks.

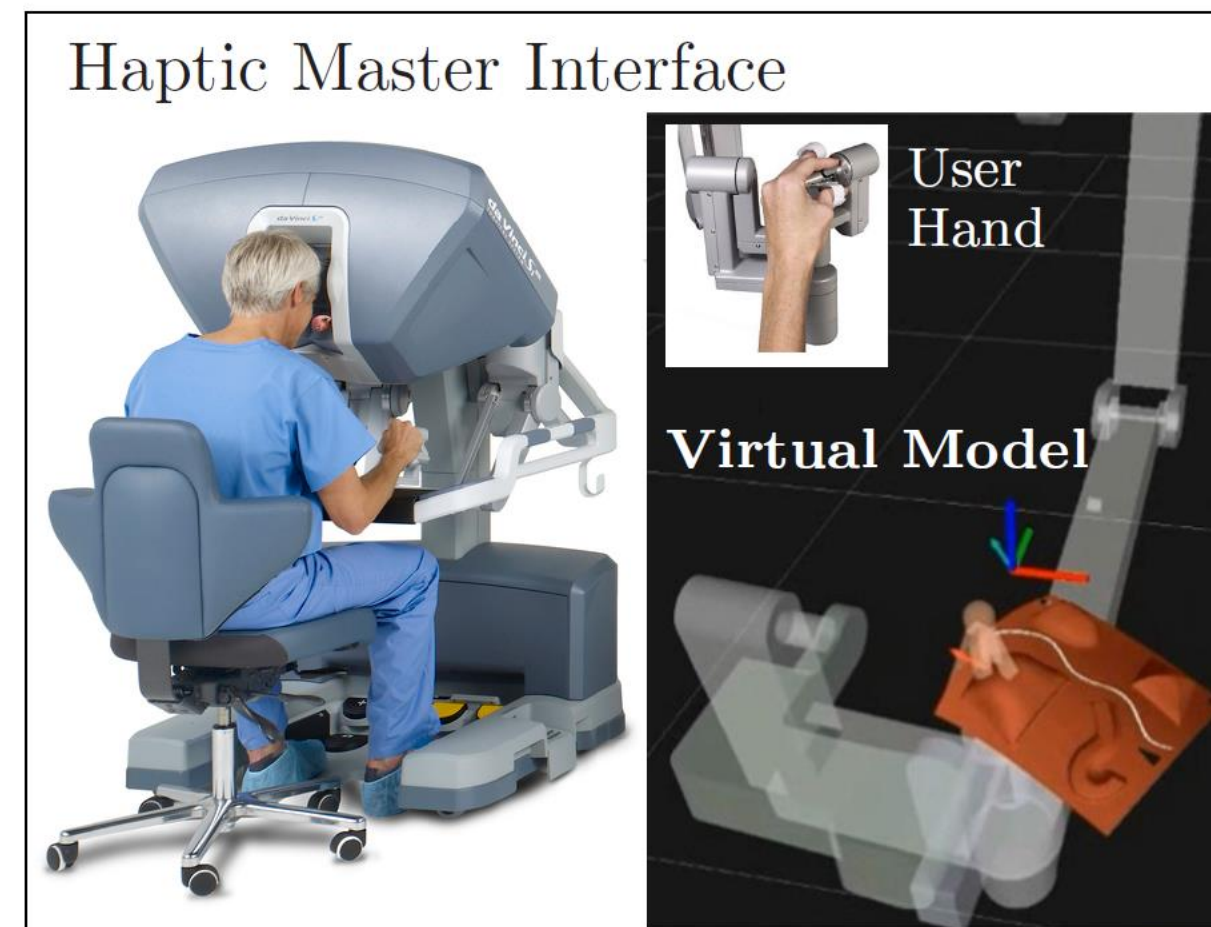
Proposed Solution

- A model-mediated telemanipulation framework for ad-hoc and on-demand manufacturing manipulation tasks.
- Enable the use of underactuated robotic hand for tool grasping in force-controlled tasks.

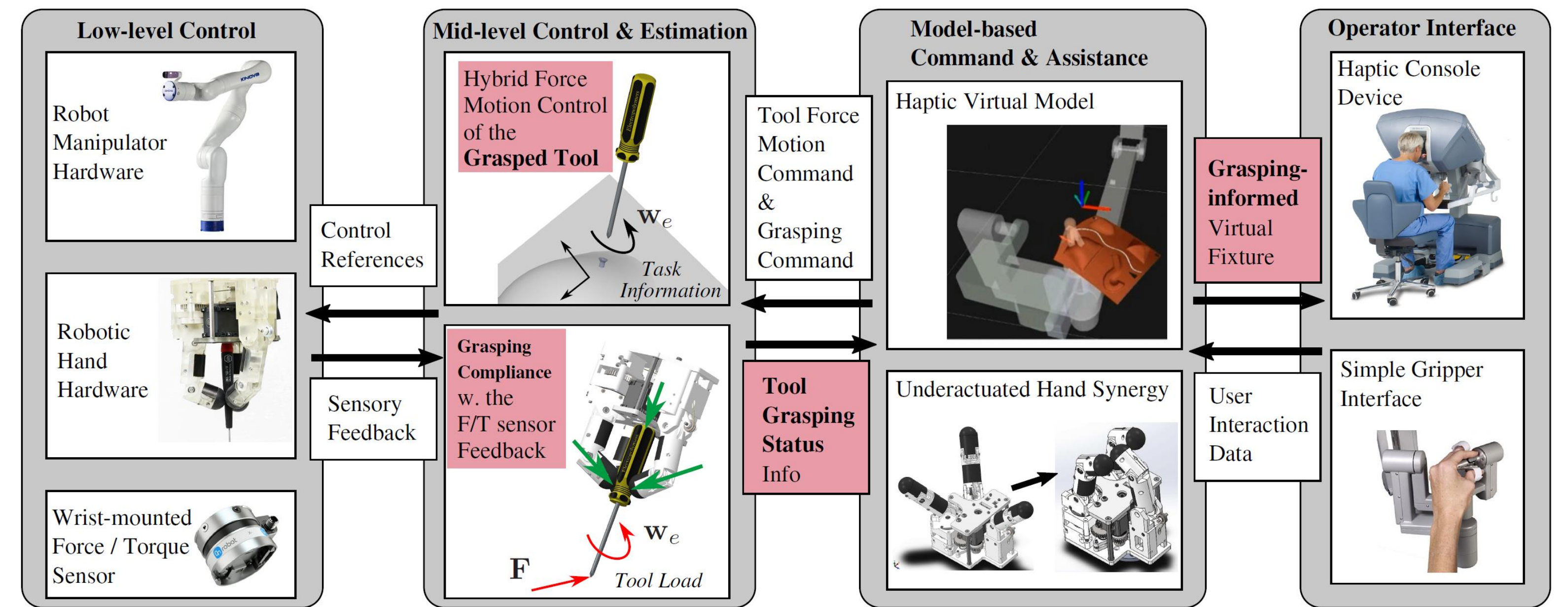
Remote Environment



Operator Space



Proposed Framework and Technical Gaps



Hand Hardware Development & Grasping Compliance Investigation

