# RexoGrip

AN ACTIVE HAND REHABILITATION DEVICE



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### Outline





#### Motivation

- Teammate's parent experienced a stroke
- Post-stroke symptoms include weakness in hand
- Design a device to help with grip strength









### Market Target

- Worldwide rehabilitation robot market size at \$43.3 million is expected grow dramatically to reach \$1.8 billion by 2020. Market growth is a result of the effectiveness of robotic treatment of muscle difficulty. [1]
- Rehabilitation treatment for all patients with injuries or physical function damage
- Assist with this task in multiple ways by using hands
- Move more freely in each finger directions problem for stroke and nerve damage patient

### Competition and Existing Solutions

#### SAEBOGLOVE [2]

Passive device

Hand therapy

Applies tension to the hand as client closes hand





### Competition and Existing Solutions cont'd

#### FESTO EXOHAND [3]

Hand force amplification

Pneumatic actuators

Non-Commercial product

Complex design





## Competition and Existing Solutions cont'd

#### **EMG-DRIVEN EXOSKELETON HAND [4]**

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, China

Electromyography (EMG)

Linear actuators





### Competition and Existing Solutions cont'd

#### **BILATERAL THERAPEUTIC HAND DEVICE [5]**

University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

Requires control glove

Flex sensors in control glove

Bulky linear actuators







#### **Conceptual Design**





- Average grip force per finger is around 4N [6]
- Servo motor provides sufficient force to grip
- One motor per finger, the force is applied to the middle joint

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#### Electronics: Overview





### Electronics: Microcontroller

#### Arduino Uno R3

#### 12 Digital Pins

Pin	Purpose	Pin	Purpose
2,4	Middle Sensor	3	Index Motor
5,6	Ring Sensor	10	Middle Motor
7,8	Pinky Sensor	11	Ring Motor
12,13	Index Sensor	12	Pinky Motor



### Electronics: Power Supply

Arduino

*On/Off* Switch

9V battery



Motors and Sensors

*On/Off* Switch

6V from four AA batteries







### Software

#### Start-up Sequence

• Default Motor Positions

#### **Finger Sensors**

- Push Switches
- Individually Controlled





### Financials

Category	Budgeted Cost	Actual Cost	Change
Microcontroller			
Motor			
Material			
Power			
Switches			
3D Printing			
Total			



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Category	Budgeted Cost	Actual Cost	Change
Microcontroller	\$ 85.00		
Motor	\$ 425.00		
Material	\$ 100.00		
Power	\$ 140.00		
Sensors	\$ 10.00		
3D Printing	\$ 300.00		
Total	\$ 1,060.00		



### Financials cont'd

Category	Budgeted Cost	Actual Cost	Change
Microcontroller	\$ 85.00	\$ 79.98	
Motor	\$ 425.00	\$ 446.22	
Material	\$ 100.00	\$ 144.01	
Power	\$ 140.00	\$ 47.26	
Sensors	\$ 10.00	\$ 4.14	
3D Printing	\$ 300.00	\$ 50.00	
Total	\$ 1,060.00	\$ 771.62	



### Financials cont'd

Category	Budgeted Cost	Actual Cost	Change
Microcontroller	\$ 85.00	\$ 79.98	\$ 5.02
Motor	\$ 425.00	\$ 446.22	-\$ 21.22
Material	\$ 100.00	\$ 144.01	-\$ 44.01
Power	\$ 140.00	\$ 47.26	\$ 92.74
Sensors	\$ 10.00	\$ 4.14	\$ 5.86
3D Printing	\$ 300.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
Total	\$ 1,060.00	\$ 771.62	\$ 288.38



### Financials cont'd

Category	Approximate Cost	
Microcontroller	\$ 45.00	
Motor	\$ 200.00	
Material	\$ 105.00	
Power	\$ 15.00	
Sensors	\$ 5.00	
3D Printing	\$ 50.00	
Total	\$ 420.00	

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### Future Plans

#### Prototype design

• 3D printing

#### **Production Materials**

- Cobalt Alloys: Stellite, Vitallium
- Ceramics: Boron Carbide
- Polymers: Polycarbonate, Polypropylene, Polysulfone

Reduced size of the enclosure

Lower profile

Pressure sensor





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