#### Development of an Open Humanoid Robot Platform for Research and Autonomous Soccer Playing





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### **DARwIn Series**







DARwin I



**DARwin lia** 

**DARwin lib** 

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### **Evolution of DARwIn**





DARwin 0



<u>DARwin I</u>



DARwin lia



# *RoboCup*—a soccer competition between autonomous robots

#### Robocup's goal is,

"by 2050, to develop a team of fully autonomous humanoid robots that can win against the human worldcup champion team in soccer."



- •2 v 2 soccer
- •Penalty kicks
- •Obstacle navigation
- •Dribbling
- Passing





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## We were the only US team in RoboCup in the humanoid division

We have the most computing power among competitors

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2 pan & tilt Firewire cameras Wireless network, serial ports, USB, compact flash, and an IMU **Onboard PC104+** computer All parts fabricated in-house Lithium polymer batteries Virgin





#### **Mechanical design**

Kinematically spherical and universal joints

Maximum stiffness and minimal weight in links





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#### **Electrical Design**



### Software design to include graphical user interface







#### Basic vision implementation using LabVIEW

#### IEEE 1394 camera collects uncompressed image



**Original image** 

Software filters out everything not "orange"



Threshold image

...finds a circle



**Ball recognition** 





#### Gait generation for DARwIn

- Pelvis/hip uses a cycloid function
- Ankle uses a cycloid function for the x-position
- Ankle uses a cosine function for the z position
- Lateral motion is relatively simple
- ZMP control for stability







#### Joint angles and trajectories visualized in OpenGL transfer to the robot







#### Collaboration towards next evolution of DARwIn

Visit to Korea to see KAIST's humanoid robot, Hubo



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**DARwin III** 

Got a picture of future technologies and ideas



Foster collaboration with KAIST

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#### The next evolution of DARwIn

### DARwIn III will be an open platform, available to the research community









#### DARWIN I DARWIN IIa DARWIN IIb

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#### **Outtakes**





















