分野1 予測する生命科学・医療および創薬基盤 課題3 予測医療に向けた階層統合シミュレーション 「神経疾患による運動機能障害解明のための全身筋骨格-神経系統合シミュレーション」

# 骨格筋のマルチスケールシミュレーション

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筋骨格-神経系統合シミュレーション:神経疾患による運動機能破綻解明に向けて



## **Muscle fibers and motor unit**

### Motor unit



### Active area in the triceps surae muscle

(Kinugasa et al. 2006)





# How to control muscle force?



### Rate coding

motor commands for weak muscular force
→ spike interval is long.
motor commands for stronger muscular force
→ firing frequency becomes high.

## **Recruitment**

motor commands for weak muscular force
→ only small motor units are activated.
motor commands for stronger muscular force
→ larger motor units are activated in sequence.

# 筋骨格系モデル

## Numerical model for musculoskeletal system

- Nonlinear finite element setting for almost incompressible hyperelastic material
  - a total Lagrangian formulation
  - a mixed type displacement-pressure finite element
  - a fully implicit time integration scheme
- > Material properties for passive behavior
  - Mooney-Rivlin material (isotropic part) (Chi et al., 2010)and Holzapfel model (anisotropic part) (Holzapfel et al., 2000)
- Active behavior
  - 3D Hill-type model (Johansson et al., 2000)
- Muscle fiber distributions are constructed from fascicle arrangement measured by 2D ultrasound images (Kawakami et al., 1998) and extended to 3D fiber map.

FE model of the triceps surae muscle. From the view of (a) the lateral side and (b) the back side of the human body. <u>The geometry</u> <u>was measured by MRI</u> and segmented into gastrocnemius, soleus muscles and Achilles tendon with the aponeurosis.



# Simulation results for an isometric contraction



Deformation and displacement distribution of the longitudinal *z*-direction



The nodal force vectors at the end of the contraction

- The numerical results show
  - the muscle behaviors and force generation at Achilles tendon during isometric contraction.
  - each muscle causes a contraction in the fiber directions.
  - the Achilles tendon is stretched by the aponeurosis existing between gastrocnemius and soleus, resulting in the force generation.

## **Parallelization test**





# 脊髄中枢神経系モデル



## Numerical model for α-motoneuron



Illustration of  $\alpha$ -motoneuron (Rogerio R. L. Cisi and Andre F. Kohn, 2008)

## **Mathematical expressions**

$$C_{s} \frac{dV_{s}}{dt} = -I_{syn,s} - g_{ls} (V_{s} - E_{l}) - g_{c} (V_{s} - V_{d}) - I_{ion} (+ I_{inj})$$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \alpha_{s} (V_{s})(1 - s) - \beta_{s} (V_{s})s \quad (s = m, h, n, q)$$

$$I_{ion} = g_{Na}m^{3}h(V_{s} - E_{Na}) + g_{Kf}n^{4} (V_{s} - E_{Kf}) + g_{Ks}q^{2} (V_{s} - E_{Ks})$$



- Changing physical size of αmotoneurons
- Changing behaviors for electrical stimulation

## **Results**

<u>Time course of membrane potential for  $I_{inj} = 5 \text{ nA}$ </u>



- Only the smallest motoneuron is firing.
- Larger motoneurons are not activated.



## <u>Time course of membrane potential for $I_{inj} = 10 \text{ nA}$ </u>



### <u>Time course of membrane potential for $I_{inj} = 50 \text{ nA}$ </u>



- > The largest neuron is firing.
- Smaller motoneurons are firing with much higher frequency.



#### Generated force



- The injected current is increased
  - Generated muscle force becomes strong,
    - Time to the maximum force generation is reduced.

### Rate coding and recruitment are reproduced!

## **Renshaw cell modeling**





# <u>Time course of firing for $I_{inj} = 50 \text{ nA}$ </u>





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#### **Generated** force



- Recurrent inhibition from Renshaw cell depresses exerted force.
   Inhibition has a large offect on meanitment of a metaneous
- > Inhibition has a large effect on recruitment of  $\alpha$ -motoneuron.





- ▶本発表では、分野1課題3「予測医療に向けた階層統合シミュレーション」の中で、「神経疾患による運動機能障害解明のための全身筋骨格-神経系統合シミュレーション」に関連する内容について解析モデルの開発状況を報告した.
- ▶脳から発せられた運動指令を伝達する脊髄中枢神経系ネットワークについて、 ニューロン発火モデルに基づいた運動ニューロンおよび介在ニューロンの数 理モデル構築について紹介し、Recruitment と Rate coding という主要な筋力 調整メカニズムを再現するモデルを構築したことを報告した。
- ▶筋骨格系の3次元有限要素法に関しては、能動的な筋力発揮メカニズムを考慮した数値解析モデル開発の現状について紹介した。医療画像データに基づいたふくらはぎ筋肉に対する解析結果から、カの発揮メカニズムやその際の三次元データを報告した。