



Geometry and Control of Human Eye Movements

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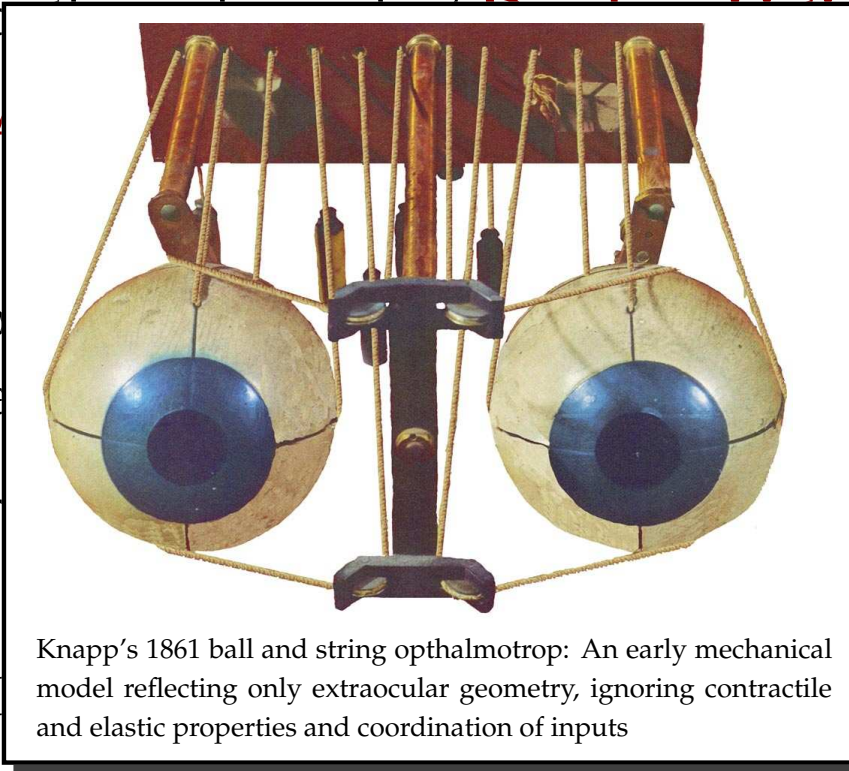


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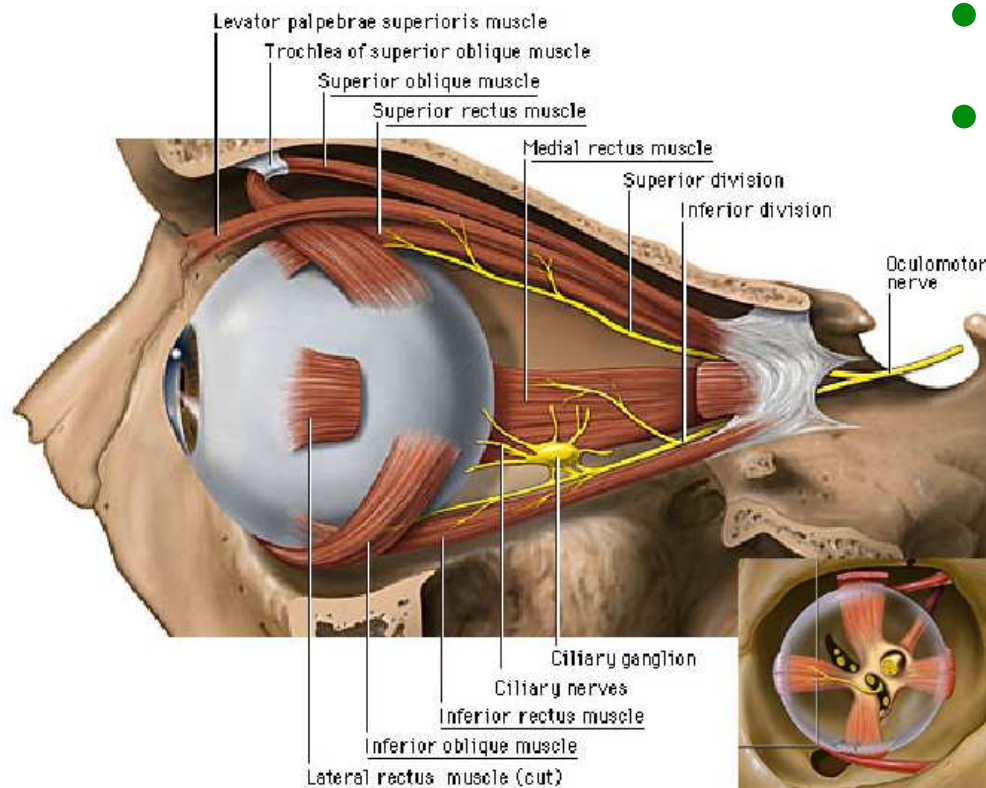
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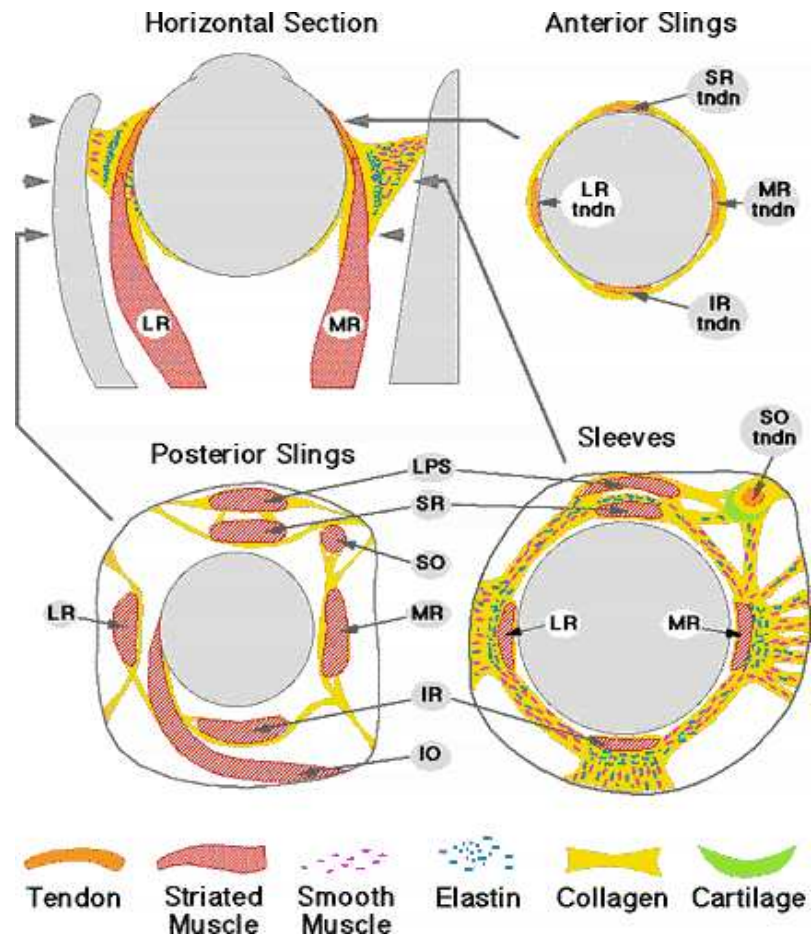
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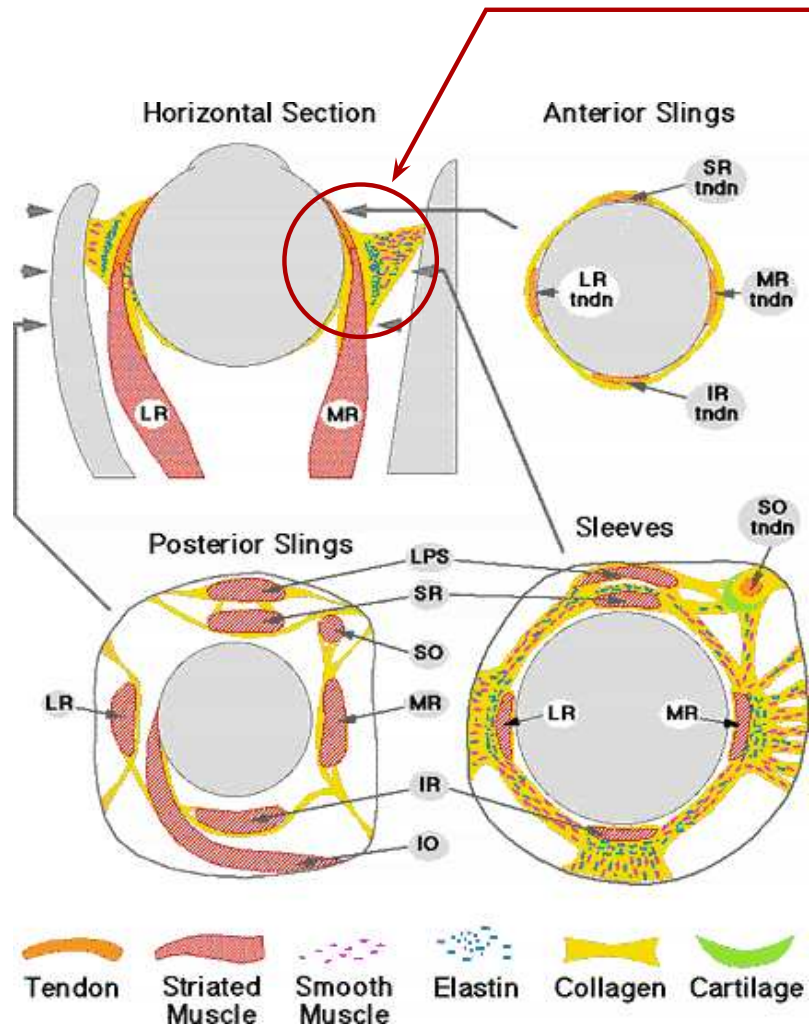
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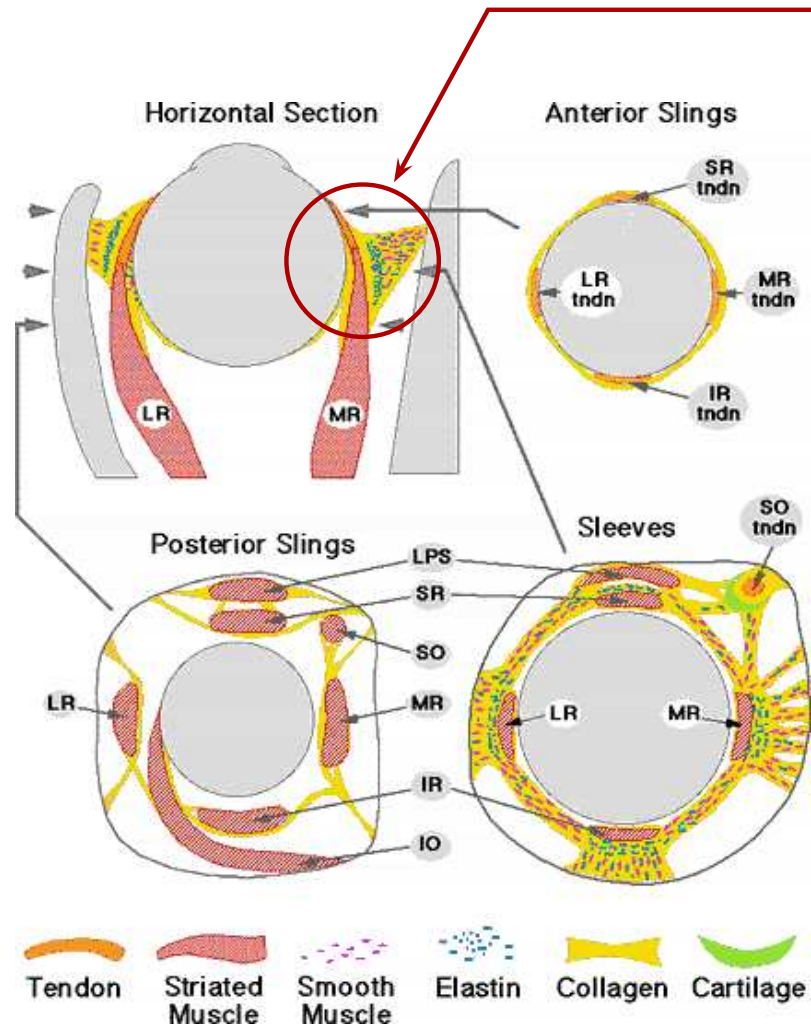


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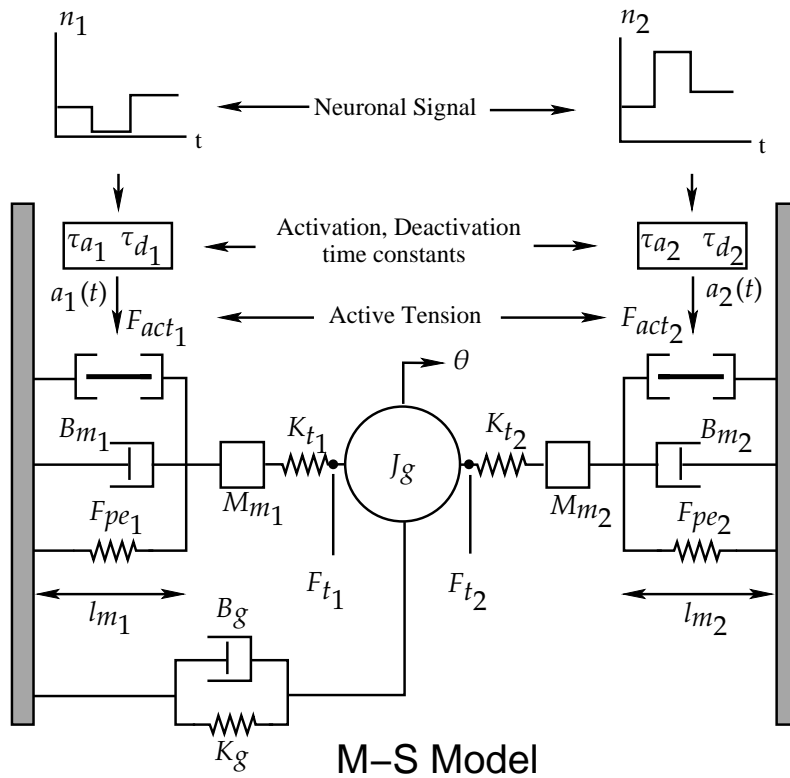
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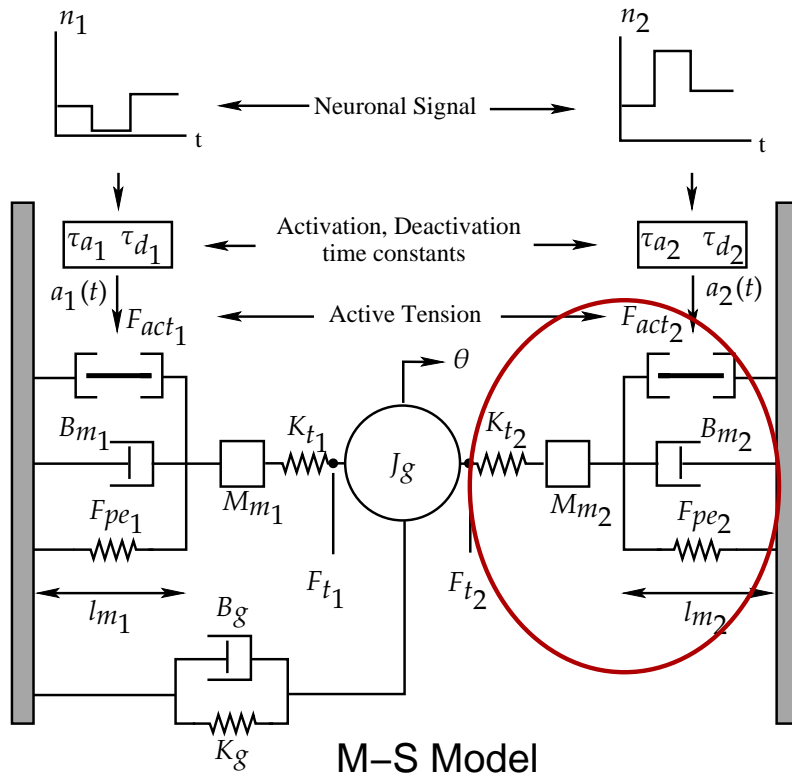


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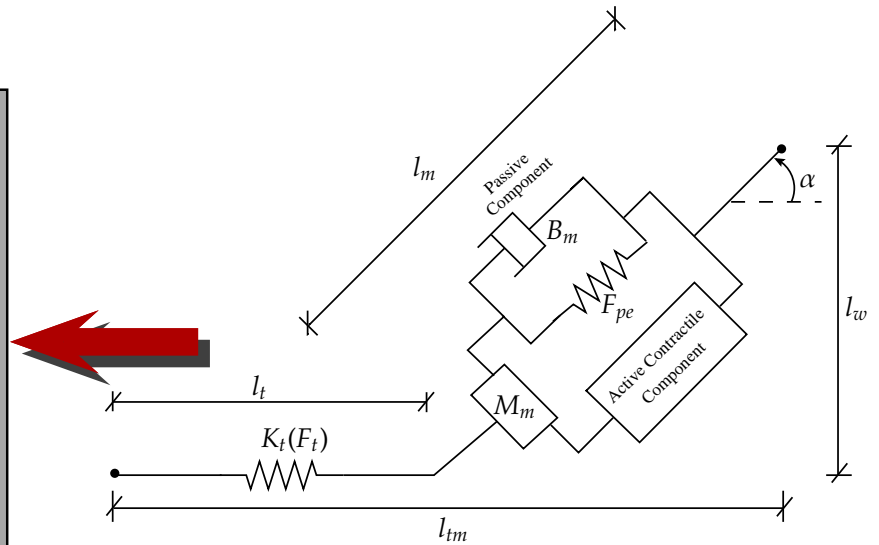
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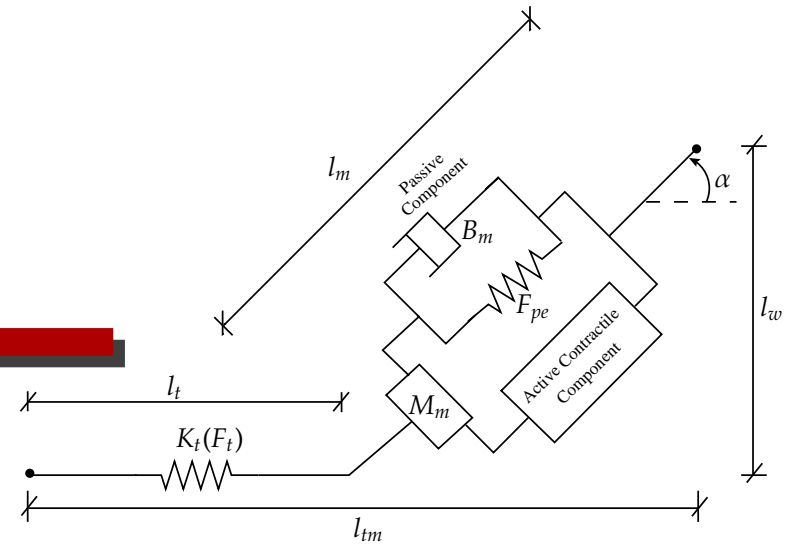
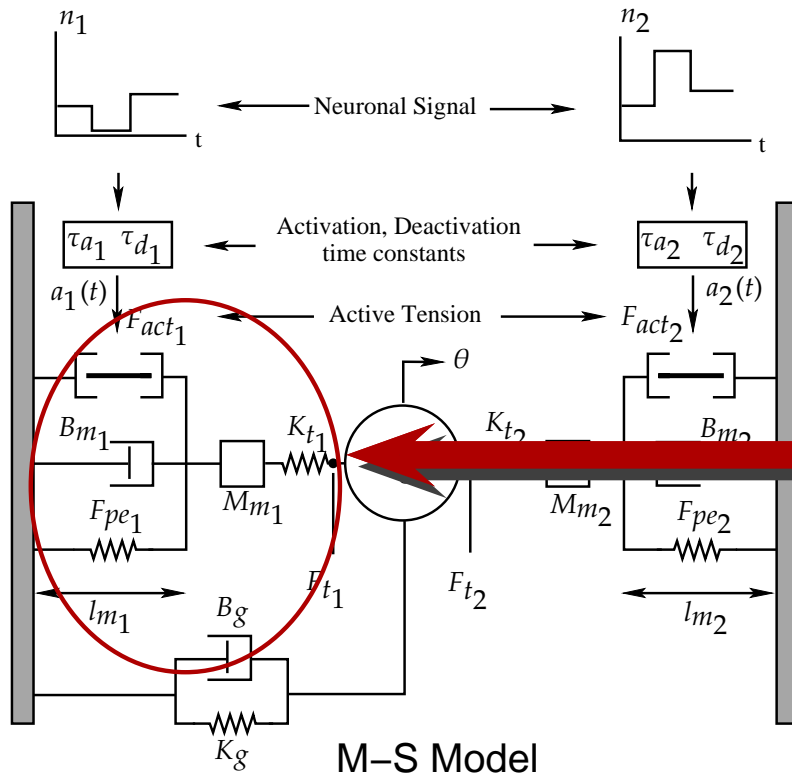


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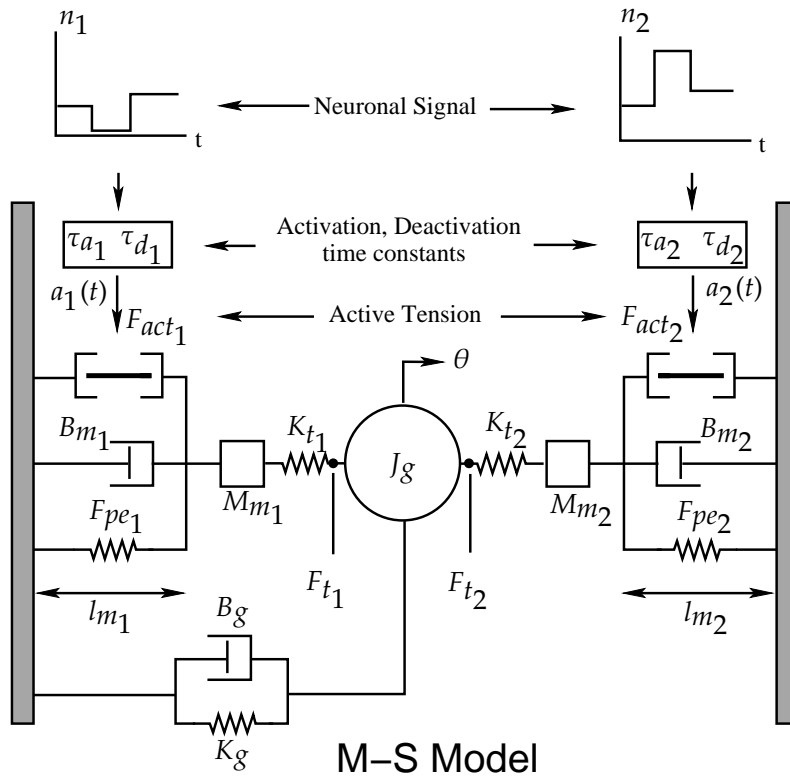
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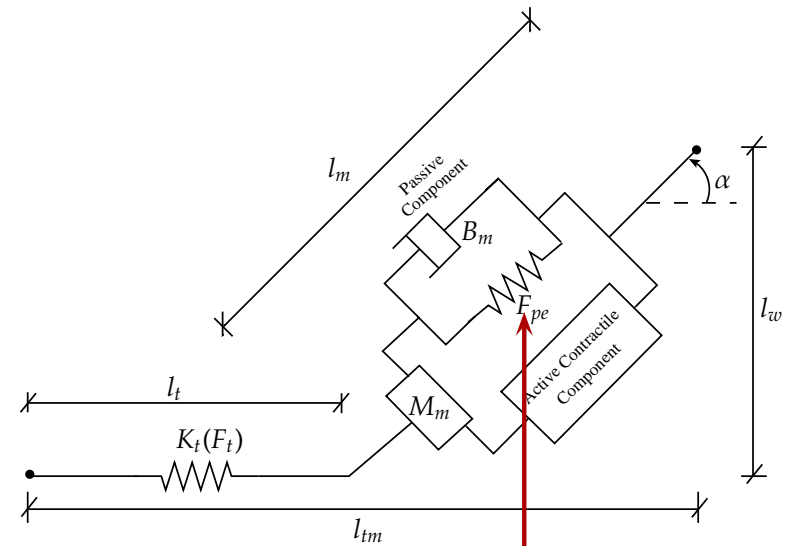


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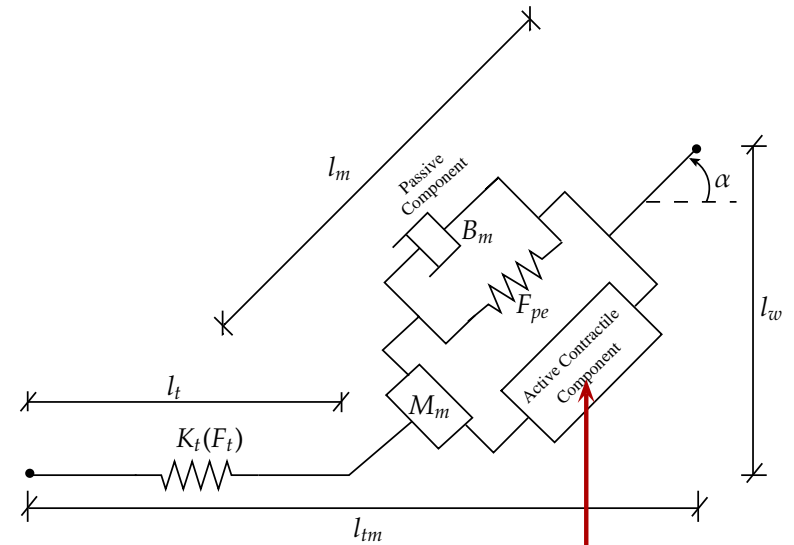
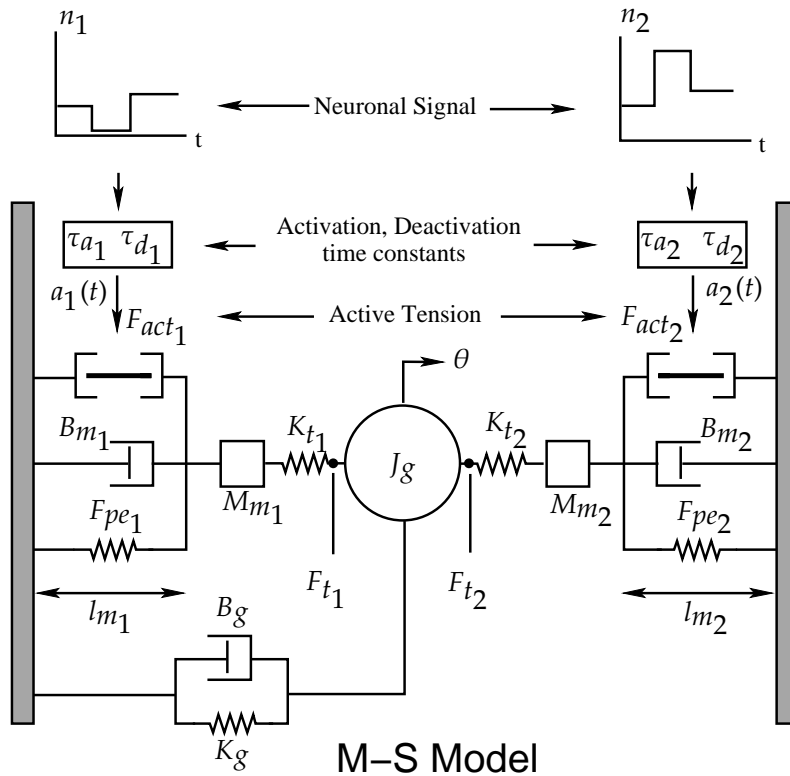
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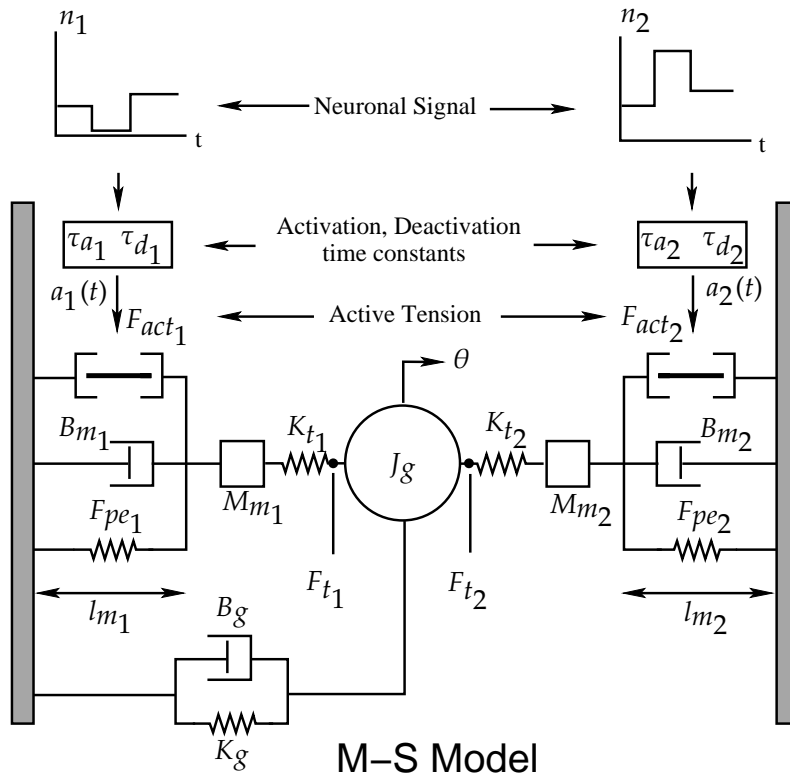


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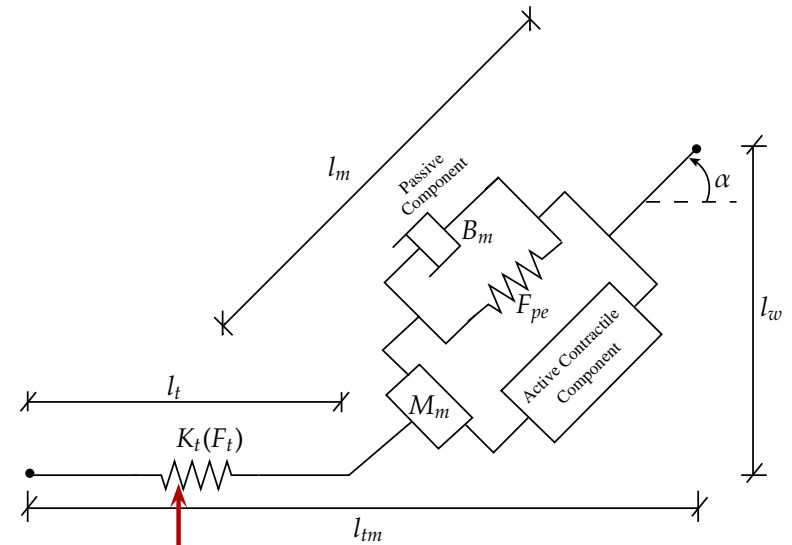
$$F_{act} = F_o f_l(\tilde{l}_m) f_v(\tilde{v}_m) \times a(t)$$

where $\tilde{v}_m = \dot{\tilde{l}}_m$.

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$$g_1(x) = (1/\tau_1) [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0]$$

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M-S Model: Simulations

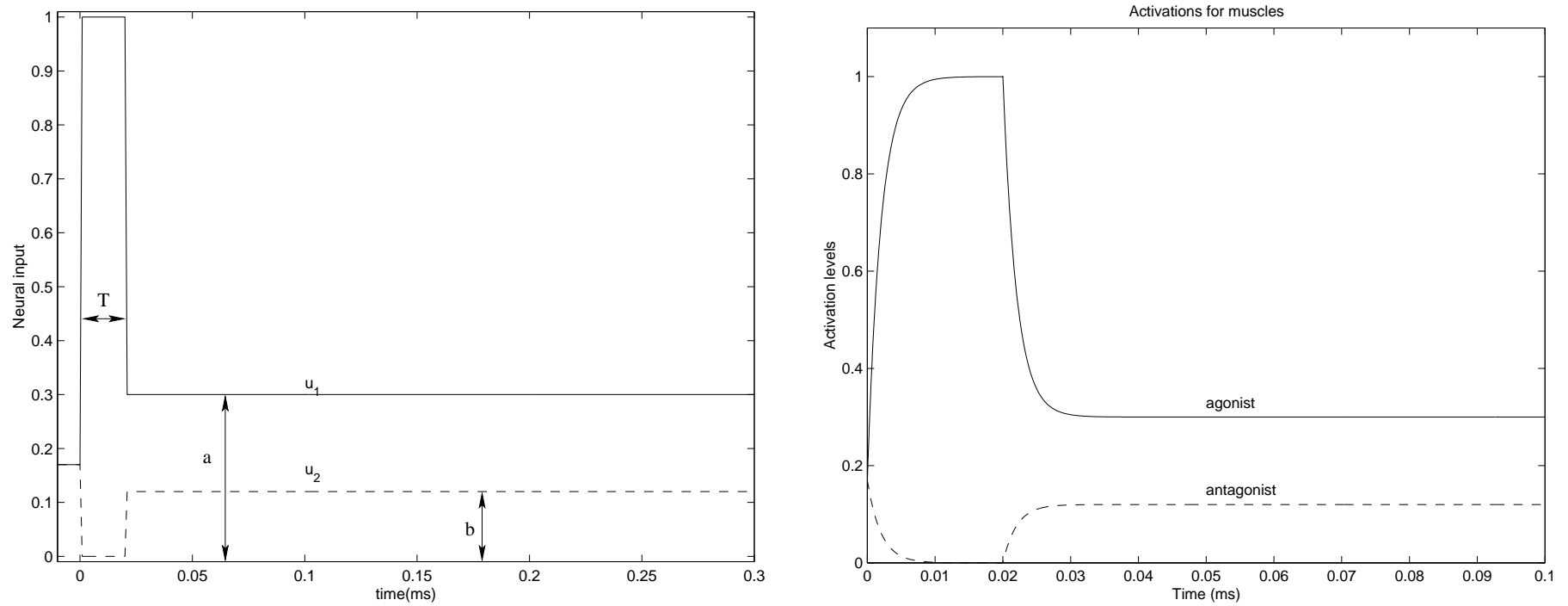


Figure 1: Neuronal inputs and the resulting activation signals to the agonist and antagonist (10^0 saccade)

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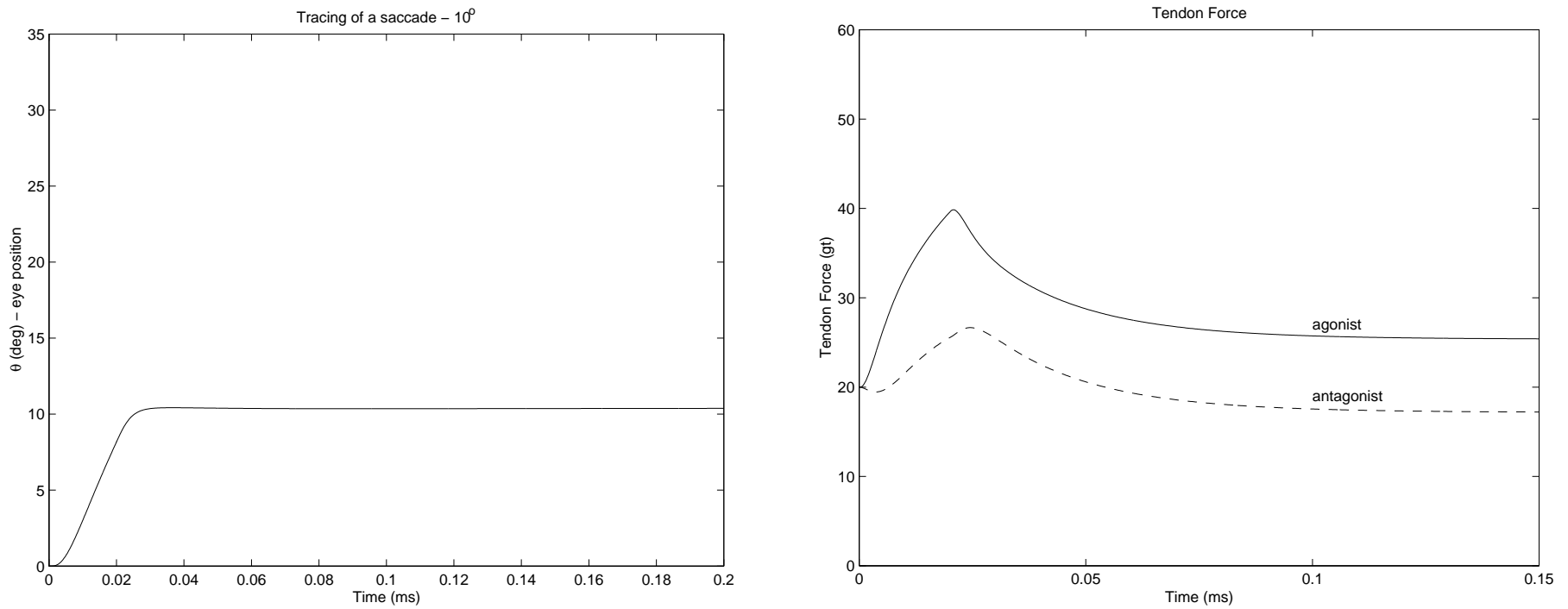


Figure 2: Simulation of 10° Saccade and the corresponding forces in the tendons

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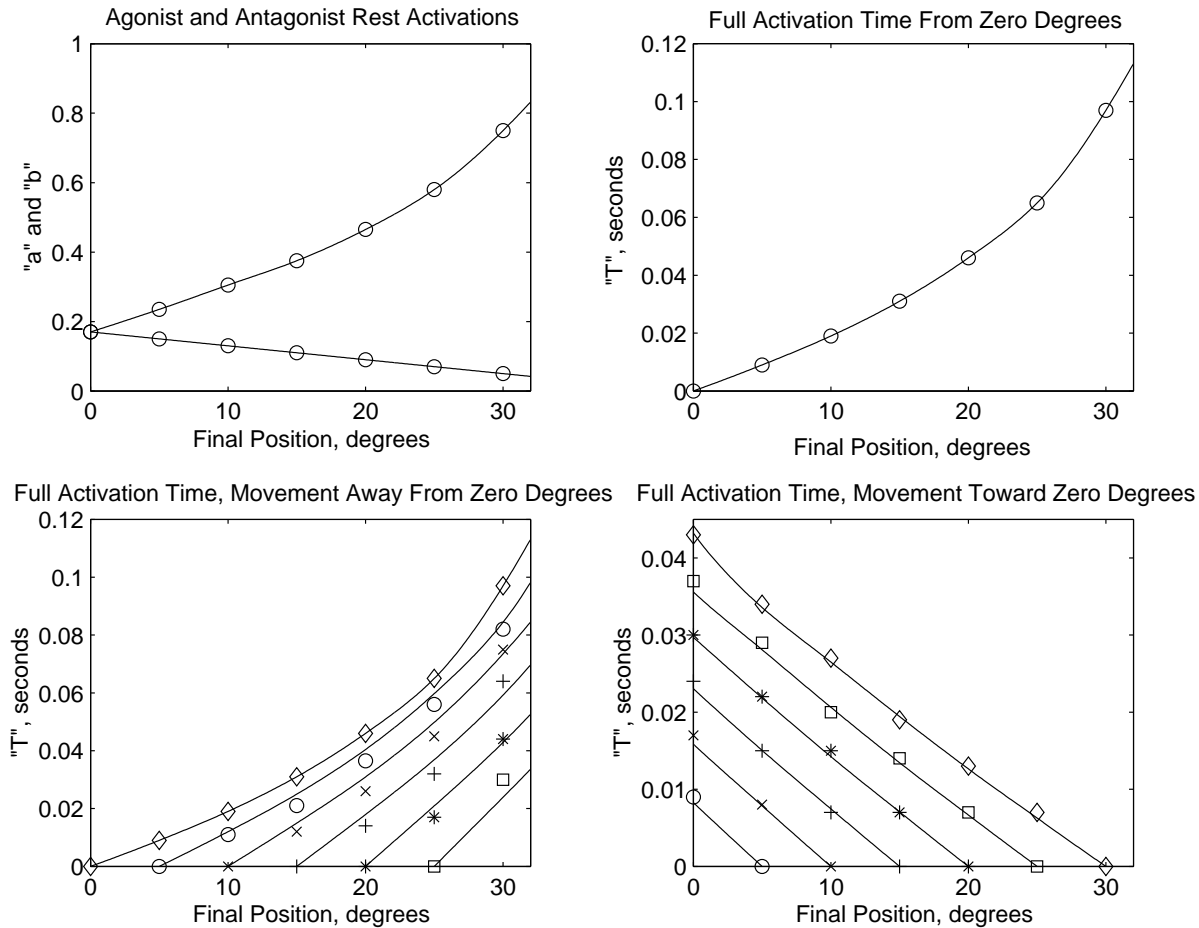
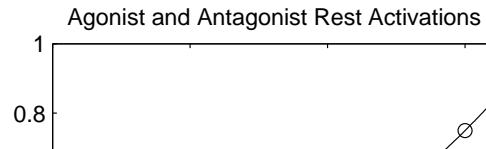


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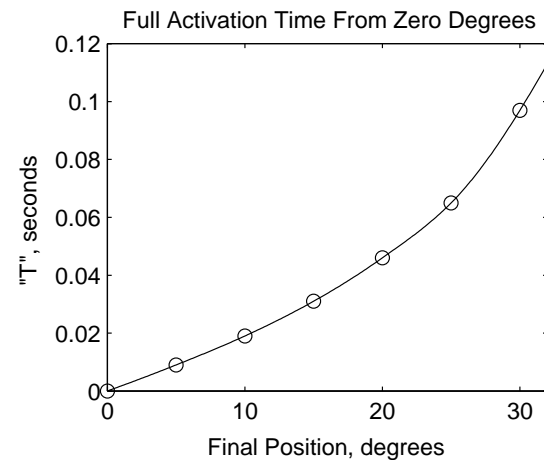
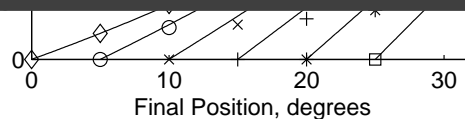


T : depends on the initial gaze direction and the amplitude of the saccade
 a, b : depend on the steady state gaze direction.
 (a_1, b_1, T_1) for saccades originating from any gaze direction can be obtained as

$$(a_1, b_1) = (a_0, b_0)$$

$$T_1 = T_0[1 + f_1(\theta_i)g_1(\Delta\theta)]$$

θ_i and $\Delta\theta$ are the initial gaze position and saccade amplitude respectively and T_0 corresponds to the T value for a equal amplitude saccade originating from the primary position. $f_1(\theta_i)$ and $g_1(\Delta\theta)$ are scaling factors.



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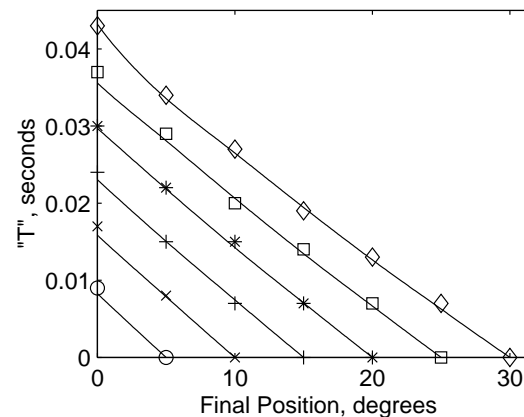


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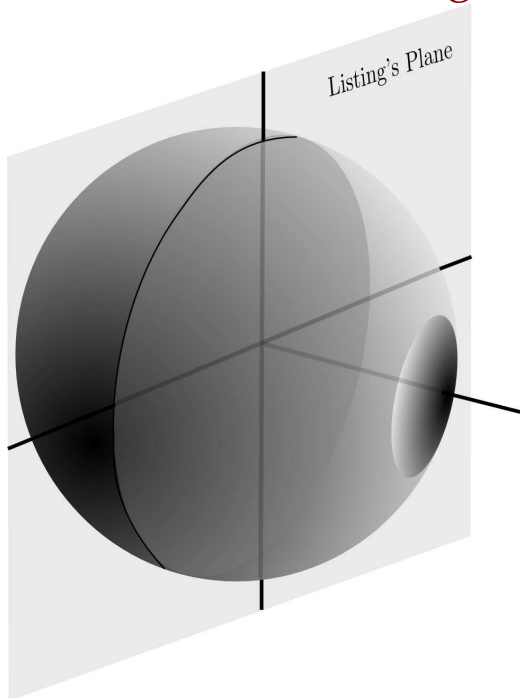
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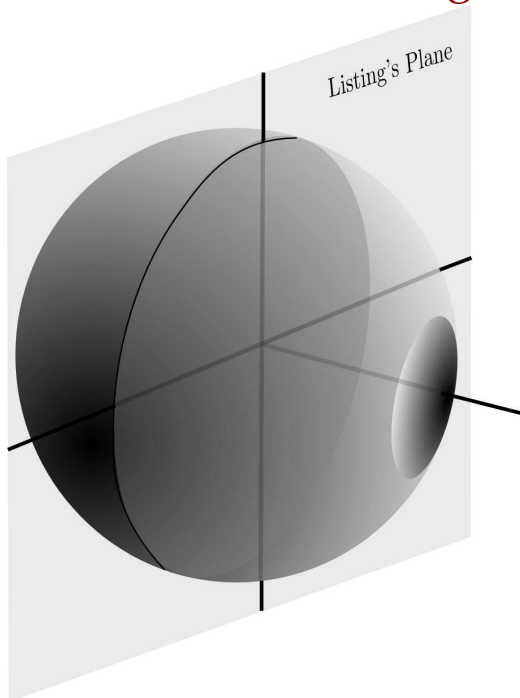


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Eye as a *mechanical system with holonomic constraints*.
Configuration space becomes a two dimensional submanifold of $SO(3)$.
⇒ **"Listing Space (List)"**

Quaternions to represent rotations



- Space of quaternions are denoted by \mathbf{Q} .
- $a \in \mathbf{Q}$ can be written as $a_0 \vec{\mathbf{1}} + a_1 \vec{\mathbf{i}} + a_2 \vec{\mathbf{j}} + a_3 \vec{\mathbf{k}}$.
- $\text{vec}(a) = a_1 \vec{\mathbf{i}} + a_2 \vec{\mathbf{j}} + a_3 \vec{\mathbf{k}}$
- $\text{scal}(a) = a_0 \vec{\mathbf{1}}$
- The vector $a_1 \vec{\mathbf{i}} + a_2 \vec{\mathbf{j}} + a_3 \vec{\mathbf{k}}$ will be identified with $(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ without any explicit mention of it.
- Quaternion product: $p \cdot q = p_0 q_0 - \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} + p_0 \mathbf{q} + q_0 \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{q}$.

Thus we have maps,

$$\text{vec} : \mathbf{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad a \mapsto (a_1, a_2, a_3),$$

and

$$\text{scal} : \mathbf{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad a \mapsto a_0.$$

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Each $q \in S^3$ (space of unit quaternions) can be written as

$$q = \cos(\alpha/2) \vec{\mathbf{1}} + \sin(\alpha/2)n_1 \vec{\mathbf{i}} + \sin(\alpha/2)n_2 \vec{\mathbf{j}} + \sin(\alpha/2)n_3 \vec{\mathbf{k}}$$

where, $\alpha \in [0, \pi]$ and (n_1, n_2, n_3) is a unit vector in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Define

$$\mathbf{rot} : S^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{SO}(3)$$

as the standard map from S^3 into $\mathbf{SO}(3)$ which maps $\cos(\alpha/2) \vec{\mathbf{1}} + \sin(\alpha/2)n_1 \vec{\mathbf{i}} + \sin(\alpha/2)n_2 \vec{\mathbf{j}} + \sin(\alpha/2)n_3 \vec{\mathbf{k}}$ to a rotation around the axis n by a counterclockwise angle α .

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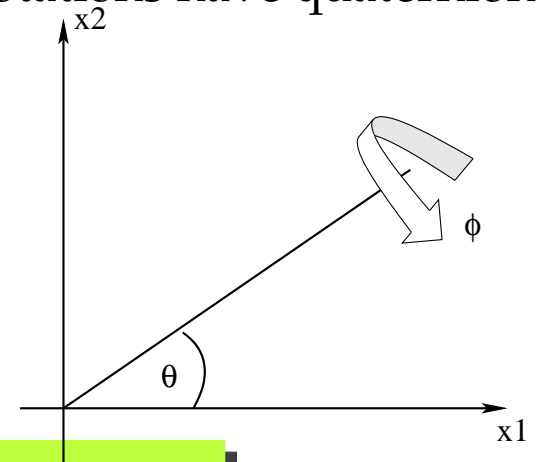
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Axis angle local coordinate system on *List*:

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(Note: this fails when $\phi = 0$ or $\phi = 2\pi$ since in both cases the the corresponding rotation is identity regardless of the value of θ)

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Then the tangent space to $\text{SO}(3)$ at the identity:

$$\mathbb{T}_{\text{Id}}\text{SO}(3) = \{\boldsymbol{\Omega} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \boldsymbol{\Omega}^T = -\boldsymbol{\Omega}\} = \mathfrak{so}(3).$$

Note that the space $\mathfrak{so}(3)$ is the Lie algebra of the Lie group $\text{SO}(3)$.

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Assuming that the eye as a perfect sphere, and its moment of inertia as $I_{3 \times 3}$, the left invariant Riemannian metric on $\text{SO}(3)$ given by,

$$\langle \mathbf{\Omega}(e_i), \mathbf{\Omega}(e_j) \rangle_I = \delta_{i,j},$$

where,

$$\mathbf{\Omega}(e_k) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \delta_{3,k} & -\delta_{2,k} \\ -\delta_{3,k} & 0 & \delta_{1,k} \\ \delta_{2,k} & -\delta_{1,k} & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

and $\{\delta_{l,m}\}$ denotes the Kronecker delta function.

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Using the subscripted coordinates (y_1, y_2) to denote (θ, ϕ) and *Christoffel symbols* Γ_{ij}^k

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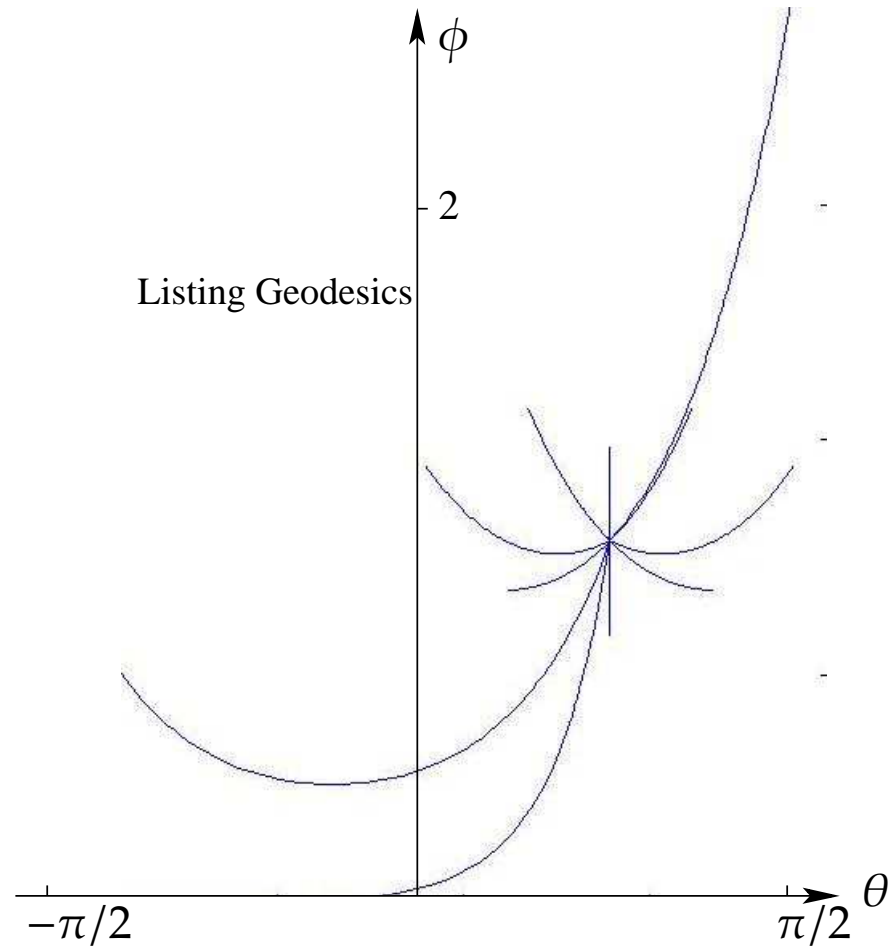
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In particular, the Gauss curvature is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} K(\theta, \phi) &= \langle \mathcal{R}(\partial_\theta, \partial_\phi)\partial_\phi, \partial_\theta \rangle / \langle \partial_\theta, \partial_\theta \rangle \\ &= 1/4 \end{aligned}$$

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For the eye movement system, **List** is the configuration manifold.

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and denote the costate by λ . Construct the Hamiltonian

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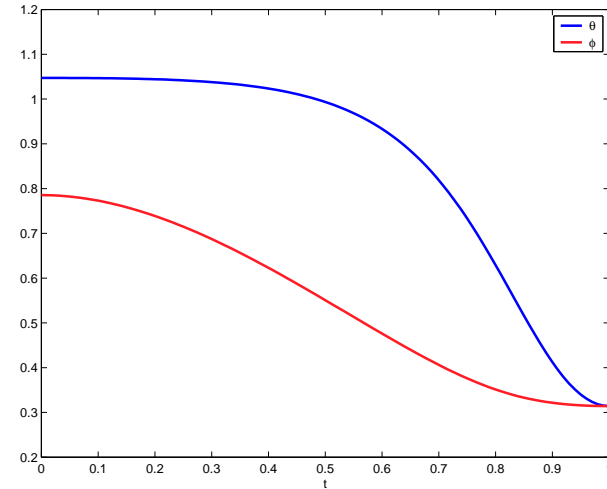
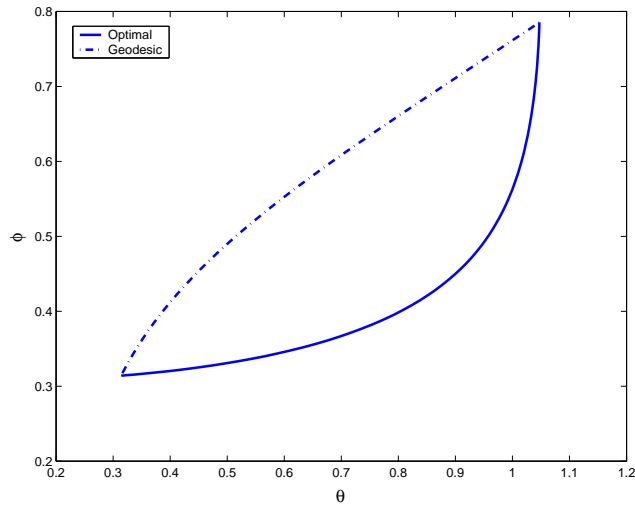
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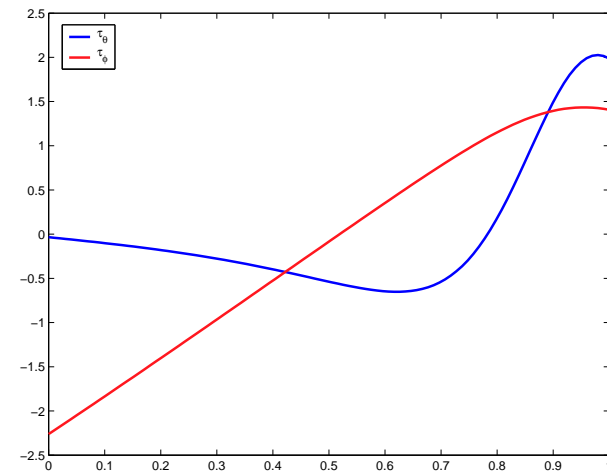
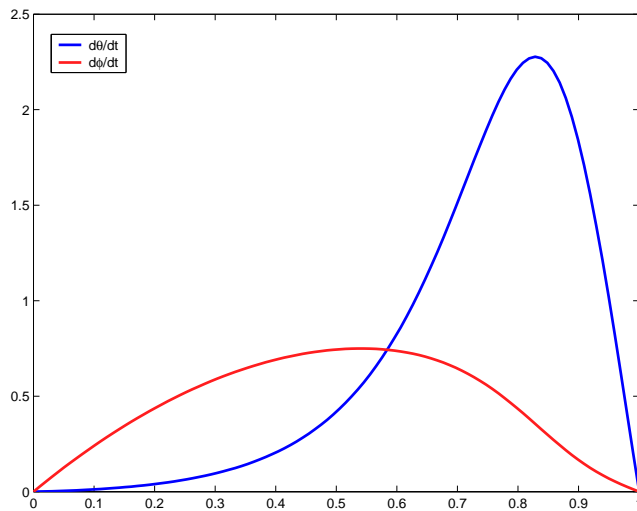
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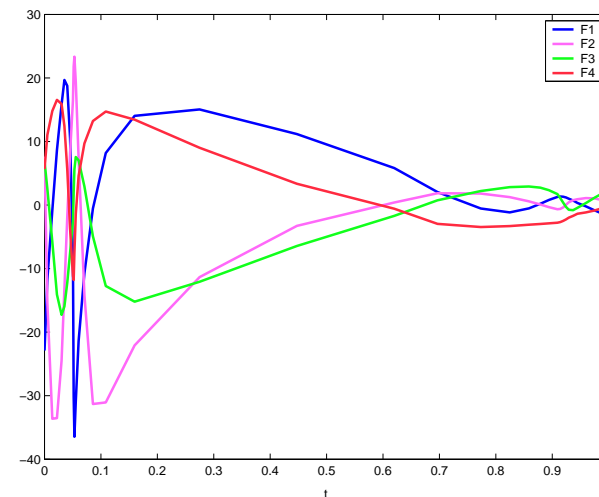
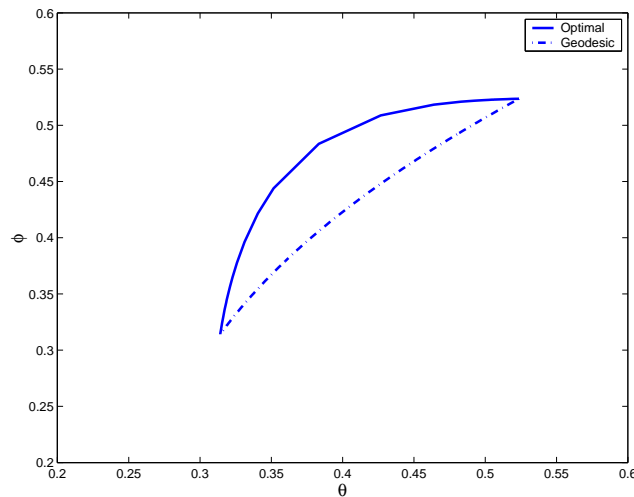


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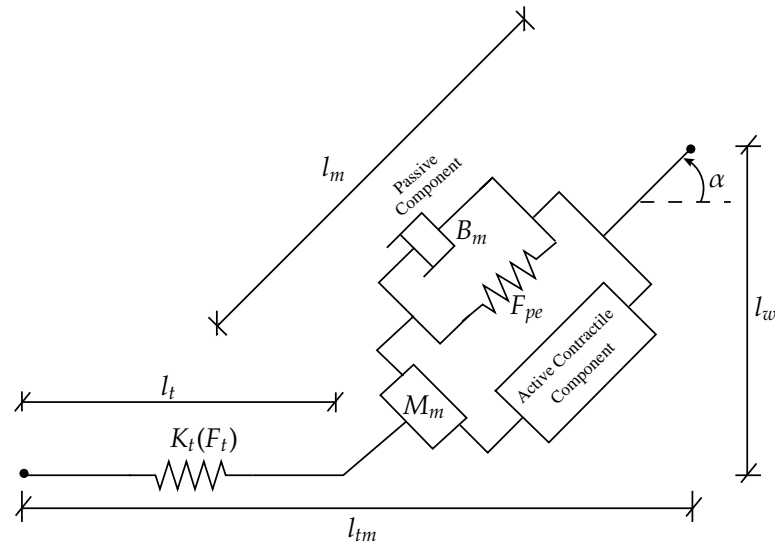


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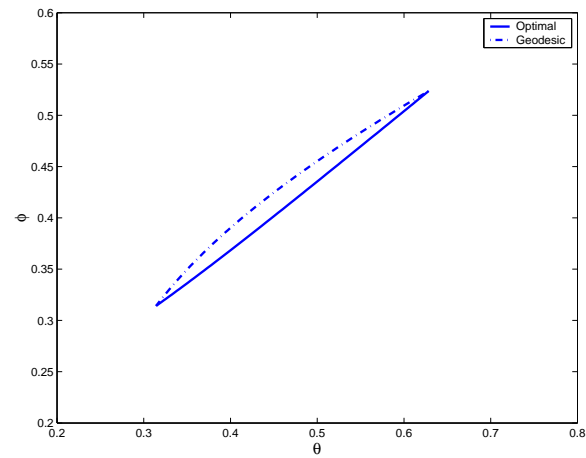
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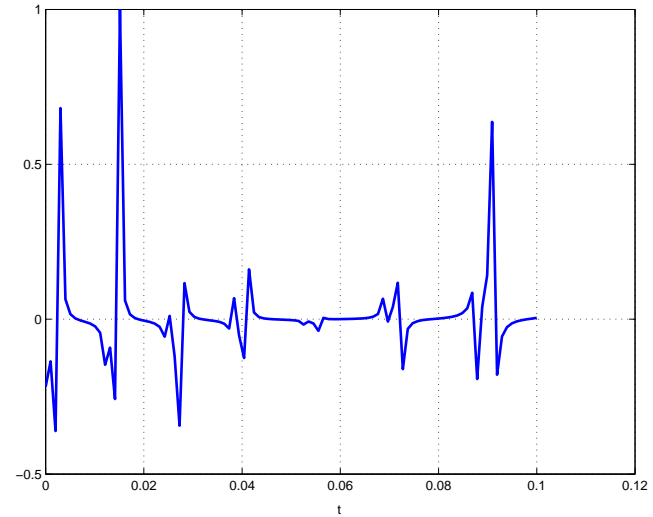
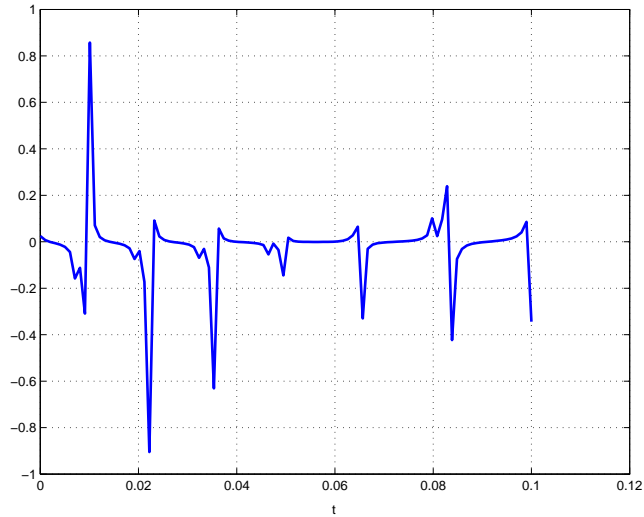
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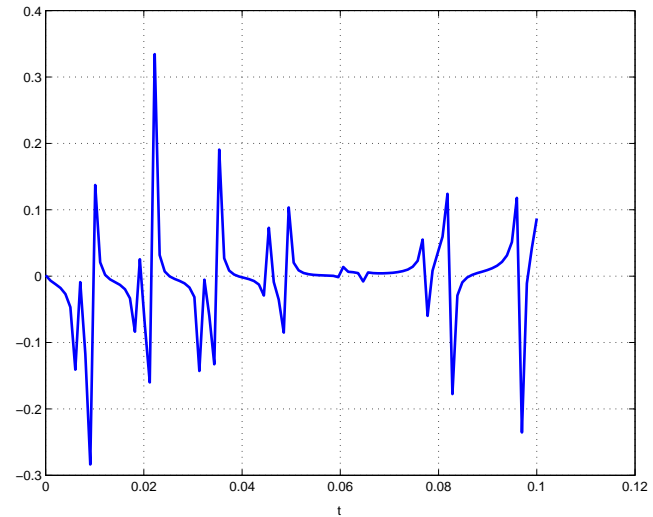
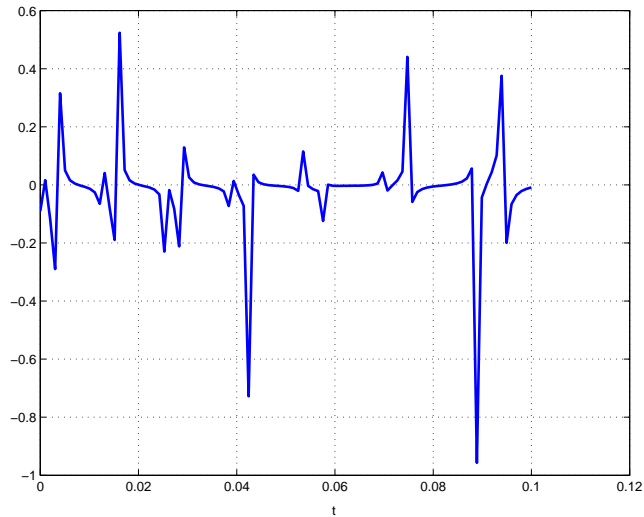


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