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**ACADEMIC DEGREES**

2001-2007: Ph. D. in Mechanical Engineering (direct doctoral track), Technion, Israel  
1997-2001: B. Sc. Summa cum Laude in Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel  
1997-2001: B. Sc. Summa cum Laude in Education in Computer Science, Technion, Israel

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Years 2020+2021; Nov. 2024 – present:

Vice Dean for Teaching Affairs, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel

2025-present: Professor, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel

2018-present: Associate Professor, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel

2010-2017: Assistant Professor, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel

(this rank was named "Senior Lecturer" at the Technion until 2012)

2009-2010: Lecturer, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel

2007-2009: Postdoctoral Scholar, Dept. of Control and Dynamical Systems, California Institute of Technology (Caltech), California, USA

2007: Short-term postdoctoral scholar, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Russell Berrie Nanotechnology Institute (RBNI), Technion, Israel

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Dynamics of under-actuated robots. Dynamics and control of biologically-inspired undulatory robotic locomotion, particularly legged locomotion and swimmers. Dynamics of low-Reynolds-number swimming in biological and bio-medical systems. Soft robotics. Non-smooth dynamics of mechanical systems with intermittent frictional contacts. Hybrid dynamical systems, Nonlinear dynamics and control, Geometric mechanics, Robotics

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE (\* - given also in English at Technion's International Program)****Instructor: (2009-present, Technion)**

036087\* "Hybrid dynamics in mechanical systems" (joint undergraduate + graduate + \*international).

036026\* Kinematic, dynamics and control of robots (joint undergraduate + graduate + \*international)

034032\* Linear systems (undergraduate)

034010 Dynamics (undergraduate)

035010 Kinematics of mechanisms (undergraduate)

**Teaching assistant: (2001-2007, Technion)**

034032 Linear systems (undergraduate)

034040 Introduction to control (undergraduate)

034011 Theory of vibrations (undergraduate)

035188 Control Theory (undergraduate)

036026 Kinematics, dynamics and control of robots (joint undergraduate + graduate)

**INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES**

2024 - present ME Faculty delegate at Technion's Senate

2024 Leading establishment of a new inter-departmental BSc minor program in Robotics

2022-2023 – participating in Technion's "campus leaders" program (תכנית מובילים בקמפוס מחזור ב')

**DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES**

2020+2021 + Nov. 2024 - present: Vice Dean for Teaching Affairs, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

Led the process of a major revision in the Technion's BSc curriculum of Mechanical Engineering.

2009-2015, 2020-present: Member of graduate studies committee

2009 – present: Head of the Laboratory of Bio-Dynamics and Mechanics of Locomotion

2009 – 2017: Head of "Reamim" program for excellent undergraduate students

**PUBLIC PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Israel Science Foundation (ISF) - member of mechanics committee

Program committee chair and member of steering committee, 3<sup>rd</sup> Israeli Conference on Robotics, 10-11 November, 2010, Herzliya, Israel.

Conference Editorial Board, IEEE International Conf. Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2015, 2016

International Program Committee Member, IFAC Conf. on Nonlinear Control Systems, 2016 [[OC7](#)].

Program committee member, Israeli Conference on Robotics, March 28 2023, Herzliya, Israel.

2024 – present: Advisory board member, Israeli Robotics Association

**Reviewer:**

**Scientific Journals:** Advanced Science, Nature Physics, Science Robotics, Phys. Rev. Letters, Phys. Rev E, Proc. Roy. Soc. A, Journal of Fluid Mechanics, Small (Wiley), Soft Robotics, IEEE Transaction on Robotics, IEEE Transaction on Automatic Control, IEEE Transaction on Automation Science & Engineering, Automatica, ASME J. Applied Mechanics Reviews, PLOS One, Journal of Nonlinear Science, International Journal of Nonlinear Mechanics, SIAM Journal on Applied Dynamical Systems, Nonlinear Dynamics, Physica D, European Physical Journal E, Bioinspiration and Biomimetics, Mechanisms and Machine Theory, Journal of Sound and Vibration, European Journal of Mechanics - B/Fluids, Discrete and Continuous Dynamical System – B, Mechanics Research Communications, Mathematical Problems in Engineering.

**Research grant proposals:** Israel Science Foundation, Israel Ministry of Science and Technology, Pazy Foundation.

**Conference Proceedings:** IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), IEEE Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), IEEE/ASME American Control Conference (ACC), IFAC Symposium on Nonlinear Control Systems (NOLCOS), IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)

**MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

IEEE Control Systems society + Robotics and Automation Society

American Physical Society (APS), Division of Fluid Dynamics (DFD)

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

1997-2001	Certificate of excellence in B.Sc. studies, President of the Technion (for all 8 semesters of undergraduate studies) Two B.Sc. Degrees Summa Cum Laude, Average grade 94.4
2002	Outstanding achievements scholarship - Graduate School, Technion
2001 - 2005	Technion Award for Excellence in Teaching, awarded six times
2004	Ne'eman scholarship for excellent Ph.D beginners, Technion.
2005	Lev-Zion scholarship for excellent Ph.D students from peripheral areas, Planning and Budgeting Committee, Israeli Council for Higher Education (VATAT)
2007	Pnueli Prize for excellent Ph.D. thesis, Faculty of Mech. Eng. Technion
2007-2008	Fulbright Postdoctoral Fellowship
2007-2009	Bikura Postdoctoral Scholarship (ISF) for two academic years

2009	Guan Zhao-Zhi Best Paper Award, IEEE International conference on Decision and Control (CDC) 2009, (paper <a href="#">C11</a> )
2010	David Posnack Memorial Academic Lectureship
2011	Award of excellence in teaching, (034010 Dynamics, spring term 2011)
2013	Award of excellence in teaching, (034032 Linear Systems, spring 2013)
<b>2014</b>	<b>Moshe Yanai Prize for excellence in teaching, Technion</b>
2015	Uzi and Michal Halevy Fund for Innovative Applied Engineering, Research Grant no. 2020992, joint with Amir Gat
2017	Technion's remarkable excellence in teaching, spring term 2017.
2020	Technion's remarkable excellence in teaching, spring term 2020.
2021	Technion's remarkable excellence in teaching, spring term 2021.
2024	Technion's remarkable excellence in teaching, spring term 2024.

## **GRADUATE STUDENTS**

**Ph.D. students - graduated:** (J - journal paper, C- conference paper, P - conference presentation)

1. Emiliya Gutman, Currently at Rafael, “Analysis of the Dynamics of Miniature Swimmers”, graduated January 2016. [[J12](#), [J15](#), [J17](#), [J18](#), [J20](#)]. Currently at RAFAEL Inc.
2. Oren Wiesel, “Optimal control of simplified microswimmer models”, Graduated Jan. 2020. [[J21](#),[C17](#), [J30](#),[J34](#)]. Currently at Fortellix Inc.
3. Benny Gamus (co-supervisor Amir Gat), “Dynamic walking locomotion of soft robots with embedded fluidic networks”. [[J26](#),[J35](#),[J37](#),[J38](#)]. Graduated June 2020. Currently at Focal Medical Technology.
4. Lior Salem (co-supervisor Amir Gat), “Soft legged robot actuated by embedded fluidic network”, started 3/2015, direct PhD track at Technion Autonomous Systems Program [[J26](#),[J35](#),[J36](#),[J37](#),[J42](#)]. Graduated 2021. Currently postdoctoral scholar, co-supervised with Amir Gat.
5. Eran Ben-Haim (Brakim program\*, direct PhD track, co-supervisor Amir Gat), “Leveraging bi-stability for minimalistic control of fluid-based soft actuators: theoretical and experimental investigation”, graduated 2024. [[J26](#), [J36](#),[J43](#),[J48](#),[J51](#), [J53](#),[P77](#)]

\*Brakim program – a pre-military program for excellent students who complete both BSc and MSc degrees in 4.5 years.

**Ph.D. students - ongoing:**

6. Zvi Chapnik, “Extending geometric mechanics beyond kinematic isotropic systems”, co-supervisor Shai Revzen, U. Michigan [[P80](#),[P82](#)]. Expected graduation 2027.

7. Noam Berkovich-Lahav, "Using optimal control to improve the performance of multi-link micro-swimmer models with different actuation modes" [P78], direct PhD track, expected graduation 2028.
8. Ruigang Chen, GTIIT student, co-supervised with GTIIT Assoc. Prof. Mingyi Liu, transferred to direct PhD track "Improve the Energy Efficiency of Robot Manipulator by Energy Harvesting and Passive Dynamics", expected graduation 2028. [J52]

### **M.Sc. students - graduated:**

1. Benny Gamus, "Analysis of dynamic bipedal robot walking with contact transitions", Graduated 2013. [J16, C15]
2. Adi Cohen, "Dynamics and control of a robotic walking exoskeleton for disabled persons", Graduated 2014. Currently at KAMAG, Israel. [J27]
3. Asaf Gross, "Analysis of Dynamic Jumping Motion of a Robotic Leg", graduated 2014 [P27].
4. Lior Lasker, "Motion planning of parallel manipulator with joint clearances", graduated 2015 [P18].
5. Motti Moravia (Brakim program\*), "Influence of foot slippage on the dynamics and performance of simple legged locomotion models", graduated 2015 [J19].
6. Ofir Chakon (Brakim program\*), "Dynamics and control of the Twistcar toy vehicle", graduated October 2015 [P22, J24].
7. Paz Aranyi (Brakim program\*, co-supervisor with J. Dayan), "Optimization of a hybrid robot's weight lifting ability", graduated 2017 [P30]
8. Evgenia Virozub (co-supervisor Alon Wolf), "Dynamics and gait optimization of a multi-link swimming robot using "perfect fluid" model", graduated 2017. [J30, P33]
9. Yuval Harduf (Brakim program\*), "Analysis of stability transitions in a superparamagnetic microswimmer" graduated 2017. [J28, J32, J39, P35, P37, P43]
10. Roei Keren, "Analysis of dynamics and actuation and preliminary design of an exoskeleton - a device for assistance in legged motion and load carrying", graduated 2018. [J25, J29]
11. Dan Kellner, "Lyapunov Stability of a Planar Rigid Body Supported by Two Frictional Contacts", graduated 2018.
12. Tal Yona, "Investigation of singular configurations in the dynamics of the kinematic snake robot model", graduated 2018. [J31]
13. Oriel Halvani, "Nonholonomic dynamics of the Twistcar vehicle: asymptotic analysis and hybrid dynamics of frictional skidding", Graduated 2019 [J41].
14. Amit Ross (co-supervisor Amir Degani), "Hybrid robot manipulator obstacle-aided locomotion: modeling, path planning and simulation", graduated June 2021.
15. Michael Pukshansky (co-supervisor Amir Gat), "Experimental study of actuation and locomotion in minimally controlled fluid-driven soft robotics", graduated 2021 in Autonomous Systems Program. [J44].
16. Gilad Ben-Zvi, "Dynamics and stability of Purcell's micro swimmer model with flexible joints and/or controlled torque at the joints", graduated 2022 [P75, J49].
17. Elon Tovi, "Dynamics of a planar multi-link swimmer with passive elastic joint(s) using "Perfect Fluid" model", graduated 2022. [J50, P66]

18. Zvi Chapnik, “Spatial dynamics of flexible nano-swimmers under a rotating magnetic field”, graduated 2022. [[J39](#),[P65](#),[J56](#)]
19. Yamit Geron, “Dynamics and minimalistic control of a flexible structure containing bi-stable elements”, (co-supervised with Sefi Givli), graduated 2022. [[J53](#),[P67](#), [P77](#)]
20. Leonid Rizayev, “Locomotion dynamics of an underactuated three-link robotic vehicle”, graduated 2023. [[P70](#),[P72](#),[J55](#)]
21. Ari Dantus, “Dynamics of an underactuated wheeled robotic vehicle: experimental and theoretical analysis”, (co-supervisor Alon Wolf), graduated 2025 [[P81](#),[J57](#)].
23. Zitao Yu, “Nonholonomic Dynamics of several variants of the Twistcar vehicle model - with dissipation, skidding ,and passive steering joint”, graduated 2025. [[P71](#),[P73](#),[P79](#),[J57](#),[J58](#)]
24. Chen Reichsboucher, Autonomous Systems and Robotics Program, “Analysis of theoretical models for multilegged robots as dynamic control systems with coupled phase oscillators” (co-advisor Shai Revzen, U. Michigan), graduated 2025.

### **M.Sc. students - ongoing:**

22. Avi Marcovici, “Investigating kinematic and dynamic locomotion of snake robot, incorporating intermittent frictional contacts and ground friction”, (co-advisor A. Wolf) in Technion’s Autonomous Systems Program (TASP), expected graduation 2025.
25. Tongchen Lin, GTIIT student, co-supervised with GTIIT Assoc. Prof. Mingyi Liu, “Improving the Energy Efficiency of Bipedal Walking by Energy Recycling”, expected graduation 2025. [[J54](#)]
26. Itamar Mordel, “Experimental investigation of a planar robotic swimmer with a passive elastic joint” (co-advisor A. Wolf), expected graduation 2025.
27. Rom Levy, (Brakim program<sup>\*</sup>), “Investigating generalized models of the dynamics of the Twistcar vehicle”, expected graduation 2026 [[P81](#),[J57](#),[J58](#)].

### **Supervised researchers and research scholars:**

#### **Alumni:**

Dr. Benny Gamus, post-doctoral scholar 2020-2021 (co-PI Amir Gat), “Analysis of fluid-actuated soft robots for locomotion”. Benny is currently at Focal Medical Technology.

Dr. Oren Wiezel, post-doctoral scholar 2020-2021, “Dynamics and control of multi-link micro-robotic swimmers” [[J47](#)]. Oren is currently at [Fortellix](#).

Dr. Jithu Paul post-doctoral scholar 2022-2023 (co-PI Oleg Gendelman), “Analysis of the nonlinear dynamics of robotic locomotion systems” [[J46](#),[P68](#)]

Dr. Itzhak Fouxon, external research scientist 2020-2022, Technion Research Associate 2022-2024 (co-PI Alex Leshansky), “Fluid mechanics of spherical squirmers in quasi-steady Stokes flow” [[J33](#),[J45](#)].

2024 – 2025 Dr. Alexander Kuznetsov, Immigrating Research Associate, “Animal-inspired energy efficient mechanism for legged walking”.

**Ongoing:**

2020-present Dr. Lior Salem, post-doctoral scholar, (co-PI Amir Gat) “Fluid-actuated soft robotics”.

2023 - present Dr. Anna Zigelman, research scientist (co-PIs Amir Gat and Sefi Givli) – “bifurcations in dynamic locomotion systems” [[J49](#),[J50](#),[J58](#)].

**INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH COLLABORATORS** (recent 10 years)

Brad Nelson, ETH Zurich, on magnetic nano-swimmers [[J17](#),[J32](#),[J39](#)]

Li Zhang, Chinese U. Hong Kong, on magnetic nano-swimmers [[J28](#)]

Ross Hatton, Oregon State U., on geometric and optimal control of robot locomotion [[J47](#)].

Peter Varkonyi, Budapest University, dynamics and stability of frictional contact systems [[J22](#),[J40](#)].

Aaron Ames, California Inst. of Technology, hybrid dynamics of legged robots, [[C18](#),[C19](#)]

Shai Revzen, U. Michigan, multi-legged locomotion with friction and slippage, co-PI in [Kahn grant](#), co-supervisor of one MSc and one PhD student [[P80](#)].

Mingyi Liu, GTIT, energy-efficient robots with spring-clutch semi-passive mechanisms, co-supervisor of one MSc and one PhD student. [[J52](#),[J53](#)]

Antonio DeSimone, SISSA, Italy. Energy efficiency of micro-swimmers [[J34](#)].

Laetitia Giraldi, INRIA Sophia Antipolis Méditerranée. Energy efficiency of micro-swimmers [[J34](#)].

François Alouges, Ecole Normale Supérieure Paris-Saclay. Energy efficiency of micro-swimmers [[J34](#)].

**RESEARCH GRANTS****Grants from external competitive research funds:**

2014-2018 Israel Science Foundation – 235,392\$, “Investigation of robotic microswimmers’ propulsion, dynamics and control”.

2017-2019 Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST): 1.1 Millions NIS for 3 years, "Dynamic Legged Locomotion of a Soft Robot Actuated by flow in an Embedded Channel Network", joint with Amir Gat.

2019-2022 Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST): 1.5 Million NIS for 3 years, "Dynamics and control of amphibious snake-like robots", joint with Alon Wolf.

2019-2023 Israel Science Foundation – 1,038,000 NIS, “Hybrid dynamics of robotic systems with intermittent frictional contacts – analysis and applications”.

2021-2023 Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST): 400,000 NIS for 3 years, "Dynamics, control and optimization of robotic micro-swimmers".

2020 Israel Science Foundation, 70,000 NIS grant for International Workshop on Microswimmers and Soft Robotics, was held at Technion on February 3-5, 2020. Co-organizers Alex Leshansky and Amir Gat. [Booklet](#)

- 2023-2027 Israel Science Foundation – 1,040,000 NIS, “Nonlinear dynamics, mechanics and control of semi-actuated undulatory robot locomotion”.
- 2025 ISF equipment for mid-career researchers - 600,000 NIS, “soft robotics laboratory”.
- Israel Science Foundation – 70,000 NIS, research workshop “Applications of artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Robotics” co-PIs Noa Agmon, David Zarrouk, Avishai Sintov, to be held at Technion during 2026.

### **Additional research grants:**

- 2010 Bikura research grant for a new faculty (ISF) - 29,000\$
- 2011 Technion Autonomous Systems Program (TASP) – 20,000\$, “Control of bipedal robotic locomotion”, with M. Zacksenhouse and P.O. Gutman. [J15, C14, C15]
- 2012 Technion Autonomous Systems Program (TASP) – 30,000\$, “Control of bipedal robotic locomotion”, with M. Zacksenhouse & P.O. Gutman. [J15, C14, C15]
- 2015-2017 Ministry of Defense (MAFAT) – 700,000ILS, “Soft-robots based on embedded fluidic networks”, joint with Amir Gat (700,000 to each PI for 3 years).
- 2015 Uzi and Michal Halevy Fund for Innovative Applied Engineering Research – 20,000\$, “Soft-robots based on embedded fluidic networks”, joint with Amir Gat.
- 2016 Ministry of Defense (MAFAT) – 200,000ILS, “Feasibility investigation of a wearable passive device for energy saving in outdoor walking with heavy loads”.
- 2018 Innovation Authority & Ministry of Defense (MAFAT), “Meimad-Magneton” program, 350,000NIS academy side, " Development of flexible robot for motion in narrow unstructured cavities", joint with Amir Gat.
- 2020-2022 Dan & Betty Kahn Foundation: "Dynamics and control of legged robots on rough surfaces", co-PI in {Technion, U. Michigan, Weizmann Institute} collaboration on autonomous robotics in agriculture. (Technion's part 2.5M\$ for 3 years).
- 2021 Crown-Vanguard Fund for research equipment, 100,000\$, “Accurate 3D printing of elastic structures with embedded cavities for soft robotics applications”, joint with Amir Gat.
- 2021-2024 Ministry of Defense (MAFAT) – 450,000ILS, “Soft-robots for search-and-rescue in collapsed structures at disastrous areas”, joint with Amir Gat.
- 2022-2025 Technion's Center for Security Science and Technology – 3×100,000ILS, “Investigation and development of a multi-stable robot for search & rescue and tunnels exploration”, joint with Amir Gat.
- 2022 Technion's Autonomous Systems Program – 12,000\$, “Investigation and development of a multi-stable robot for search & rescue and tunnels exploration”, joint with Amir Gat.
- 2024-2027 Technion's Autonomous Systems Program – 100,000\$ x 3 years, Flagship Project - “Autonomous multi-stable robot for search and exploration”, joint with Amir Gat, Oren Salzman, and Amir Degani.



## **PUBLICATIONS**

Supervised students are underlined. Publications are also available online [here](#).

### **Refereed papers in professional journals my name in bold**

#### **Published papers**

- J1. **Y. Or** and E. Rimon, "Computation and Graphical Characterization of Robust Multiple-Contact Postures in Two-Dimensional Gravitational Environments", *Int. J. of Robotics Research*, 25(11): 1071-1086, 2006.
- J2. E. Rimon, R. Mason, J. W. Burdick and **Y. Or**, "A General Stance Stability Test Based on Stratified Morse Theory with Application to Quasi-Static Locomotion Planning", *IEEE Trans. on Robotics*, 24(3):626-641, 2008.
- J3. **Y. Or** and R. M. Murray, "Dynamics and Stability of a Class of Low Reynolds Number Swimmers Near a Wall", *Physical Review E*, 79(4):045302R, 2009. (4 pages)
- J4. **Y. Or** and E. Rimon, "Analytic Characterization of a Class of 3-Contact Frictional Equilibrium Postures in Three-dimensional Gravitational Environments", *Int. J. of Robotics Research*, 29(1): 3-22, 2010.
- J5. D. G. Crowdy and **Y. Or**, "Two-dimensional point singularity model of a low Reynolds number swimmer near a wall", *Physical Review E*, 81(3):036313, 2010
- J6. **Y. Or**, "Dynamics and stability of Purcell's three-link microswimmer near a wall", *Physical Review E*, 82(6):065302(R), 2010.
- J7. **Y. Or** and A. R. Teel, "Zeno Stability of the Set-Valued Bouncing Ball", *IEEE Trans. on Automatic Control*, 56(2):447-452, 2011.
- J8. **Y. Or** and A. D. Ames, "Stability and Completion of Zeno Equilibria in Lagrangian Hybrid Systems", *IEEE Trans. on Automatic Control* 56(6):1322-1336, 2011.
- J9. **Y. Or**, S. Zhang and R. M. Murray, "Dynamics and stability of low-Reynolds-number swimming near a wall", *SIAM J. Applied Dynamical Systems*, 10(3):1013-1041, 2011.
- J10. **Y. Or** and E. Rimon, "Investigation of Painlevé's Paradox and Dynamic Jamming During Mechanism Sliding Motion", *Nonlinear Dynamics*, 67:1647–1668, 2012.
- J11. **Y. Or**, "Asymmetry and stability of shape kinematics in microswimmers' motion", *Physical Review Letters*, 108:258101, 2012. Marked as "Editor's Suggestion".
- J12. E. Passov (Gutman) and **Y. Or**, "Dynamics of Purcell's three-link microswimmer with a passive elastic tail", *European Physical Journal E* 35(8):78, 2012. (invited paper at special issue on active matter)
- J13. **Y. Or**, "Painlevé's paradox and dynamic jamming in simple models of passive dynamic walking", *Regular and Chaotic Dynamics*, 19(1):64-80, 2014. (Springer, invited paper at a special issue: 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of anniversary Paul Painlevé's birthday)
- J14. D. Alkaber, A. Moshaiov and **Y. Or**, "Guidance laws based on optimal feedback linearization pseudo-control with time-to-go estimation", *AIAA Journal of Guidance, Control, and Dynamics*, 37(4): 1298-1305, 2014.
- J15. E. Gutman and **Y. Or**, "Simple model of a planar undulating magnetic microswimmer", *Physical Review E* 90(1):013012, 2014.
- J16. B. Gamus and **Y. Or**, "Dynamic Bipedal Walking under Stick-Slip Transitions", *SIAM J. Applied Dynamical Systems* 14(2):609-642, 2015.

- J17. B. Jang, E. Gutman, N. Stucki, B. Seitz, P. García-Wendel, T. Newton, J. Pokki, O. Ergeneman, S. Pané, **Y. Or**, and B. J. Nelson, “Undulatory locomotion of magnetic multi-link nanoswimmers”, *ACS Nano Letters* 15(7):4829-4833, 2015
- J18. E. Gutman and **Y. Or**, “Symmetries and gaits for Purcell’s three-link microswimmer model”, *IEEE Trans. Robotics* 32(1):53-69, 2015.
- J19. M. Moravia and **Y. Or**, “Analysis of foot slippage effects on an actuated spring-mass model of dynamic legged locomotion”, *International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems* 13:69, 2016.
- J20. E. Gutman and Y. Or, “Optimizing an undulating magnetic microswimmer for cargo towing”, *Physical Review E* 93(6):063105, 2016.
- J21. O. Wiezel and **Y. Or**, “Optimization and small-amplitude analysis of Purcell's three-link microswimmer model", *Proc. Roy. Soc. A*, 472: 20160425, 2016.
- J22. P. L. Varkonyi and **Y. Or**, “Lyapunov stability of a rigid body with two frictional contacts”, *Nonlinear Dynamics* (Springer), 88(1),363-393, 2017. DOI: 10.1007/s11071-016-3247-6
- J23. **Y. Or** and E. Rimon, “Characterization of frictional multi-legged equilibrium postures on uneven terrains”, *International Journal of Robotics Research*, 36(1):105-128, 2017.
- J24. O. Chakon & **Y. Or**, “Analysis of underactuated dynamic locomotion systems using perturbation expansion - the twistcar toy example”, *J. Nonlinear Science*, 27(4):1215-1234, 2017.
- J25. R. Keren and **Y. Or**, "Energy performance analysis of a backpack suspension system with a timed clutch for human load carriage", *Mechanism and Machine Theory* (Elsevier) 120:250-264, 2018.
- J26. B. Gamus, E. Ben-Haim, L. Salem, A. D. Gat and **Y. Or**, "Interaction between Inertia, Viscosity and Elasticity in Soft Robotic Actuator with Fluidic Network", *IEEE Transactions on Robotics*, 34(1):81-90, 2018.
- J27. A. Cohen and **Y. Or**, “Modelling the Dynamics and Control of Rehabilitative Exoskeleton with Robotic Crutches", *International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems*, 15(2), 1729881418761137, 2018.
- J28. Y. Harduf, D. Jin, **Y. Or**, and L. Zhang, "Nonlinear parametric excitation effect induces stability transitions in swimming direction of flexible superparamagnetic microswimmers", *Soft Robotics*, 5(4):389-398, 2018.
- J29. R. Keren and **Y. Or**, "Theoretical Analysis of a passive wearable spring-clutch mechanism for reducing metabolic energy cost during human walking". *ASME J. Mechanisms Robotics*; 10(6):061004-061004-9, 2018.
- J30. E. Virozub, O. Wiezel, A. Wolf and **Y. Or**, "Multi-link swimmers: experiments and theoretical investigation using 'perfect fluid' Model". *Robotica*, 37(8): 1289-1301, 2019.
- J31. T. Yona and **Y. Or**, “The wheeled three-link snake model: Singularities in nonholonomic constraints and stick-slip hybrid dynamics induced by Coulomb friction.” *Nonlinear Dynamics* 95:2307-2324, 2019. DOI: 10.1007/s11071-018-4693-0
- J32. B. Jang, A. Hong, C. Alcantara, G. Chatzipiripiridis, X. Martí, E. Pellicer, J. Sort, Y. Harduf, **Y. Or**, B. J. Nelson and S. Pané, “Programmable Locomotion Mechanisms of Hard-Magnetic Nanowires Near a Surface Boundary”. *ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces* 11 (3):3214–3223, 2019.
- J33. I. Fouxon and **Y. Or**, "Inertial self-propulsion of spherical microswimmers by rotation-translation coupling". *Physical Review Fluids* 4(2), 023101, 2019. *arXiv preprint* [arXiv:1710.10677](https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10677).
- J34. O. Wiezel, L. Giraldi, A. DeSimone, **Y. Or** and F. Alouges, "Energy-optimal small-amplitude strokes for multi-link microswimmers: Purcell's loops and Taylor's waves reconciled". *New Journal of Physics*, 21:043050, 2019. *arXiv preprint* [arXiv:1801.04687](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.04687).

- J35. L. Salem, B. Gamus, **Y. Or** and A. D. Gat, "Leveraging viscous-peeling in fluid-driven soft-actuators and reconfigurable microchannel networks". *Soft Robotics*, 7(1):76-84, 2020.
- J36. E. Ben-Haim, L. Salem, **Y. Or** & A. D. Gat, "Single-input control of multiple fluid-driven elastic actuators via interaction between bi-stability and viscosity", *Soft Robotics* 7(2):259-265, 2020. *arXiv preprint* [arXiv:1903.04280](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.04280)
- J37. B. Gamus, L. Salem, A. D. Gat and **Y. Or**, "Understanding Legged Crawling for Soft-Robotics", *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters* 5(2):1397-1404, 2020. *arXiv preprint* [arXiv:1911.05227](https://arxiv.org/abs/1911.05227)
- J38. B. Gamus, A. D. Gat and **Y. Or**, "Dynamic Inchworm Crawling: Performance Analysis and Optimization of a Three-link Robot", *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters*, 6(1), 111-118, 2020. *arXiv preprint* [arXiv:2006.01990](https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.01990).
- J39. J. Wu, B. Jang, Y. Harduf, Z. Chapnik, X. Chen, J. Puigmartí-Luis, O. Ergeneman, B. J. Nelson, **Y. Or** and S. Pané, "Helical Klinotactic Locomotion of Two-Link Nanoswimmers with Dual-Function Drug-Loaded Soft Polysaccharide Hinges", *Advanced Science* 8(8), 2004458, 2021, DOI: 10.1002/advs.202004458.
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### **Invited talks at international workshops (funded travel):**

- I1. Invited lecture in the International Workshop on Geometric and Topological Methods in Control and Robotics, October 4-6, 2010, Madrid, Spain - “Geometric mechanics, control and stabilization of low-Reynolds-number swimming near boundaries”, (1 out of 10 invited speakers).
- I2. Invited lecture in the workshop on impact with friction and the Painlevé paradox, Bristol University, UK, 21-22 Nov. 2011 - “Dynamic jamming and Painlevé's paradox”. Organizer: Prof. Alan Champneys
- I3. Invited lecture series, “nonholonomic dynamics and undulatory locomotion of articulated robotic vehicles”, to be given at 2025 CISM course on The Dynamics of Rolling and Balancing in Micromobility, to be held at the International Center for Mechanical Sciences (CISM) at Udine, Italy in October 2025.

### **Invited talks at local workshops and at invited sessions in local conferences:**

- I3. **Y. Or**, “Exact geometric characterization of equilibrium postures on a frictional terrain in three dimensions”, CRI Workshop on Geometry and Topology in Robotics, Haifa University, Israel, January 10, 2010
- I4. **Y. Or** and A. R. Teel, “The set-valued bouncing ball and its application to Lagrangian hybrid systems”, special session on switched and hybrid systems (organizer: Prof. Michael Margaliot, Tel-Aviv University), IEEE 26th Convention of Electrical and Electronics Engineers in Israel, Eilat, Israel, Nov. 17-20, 2010
- I5. **Y. Or**, “Symmetries and stability in the dynamics of robotic microswimmers”, CRI Workshop on Topological Robotics, Haifa University, Israel, December 25, 2012.
- I6. **Y. Or**, “Dynamics and control of (bio-)robotic locomotion: Nonlinear, nonholonomic and hybrid mechanical systems”, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sweden-Israel Control Conference, Technion, November 9-11, 2014.
- I7. **Y. Or**, “Dynamics and control of robotic locomotion”, Symposium on Control Theory and Power Engineering (organizers: Prof. Michael Margaliot, and Prof. George Weiss), ICSEE 2016 Conference of IEEE Israel, Eilat, Nov. 16-18, 2016

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- P2. **Y. Or\*** and E. Rimon, “Computation and Graphical Characterization of Robust Multiple-Contact Postures in 2D Gravitational Environments”, The 30<sup>th</sup> Israeli Conference on Mechanical Engineering, Tel-Aviv, Israel, May 29-30, 2005
- P3. **Y. Or\*** and E. Rimon, “Computing 3-Legged Equilibrium Stances in Three-Dimensional Gravitational Environments”, The 1<sup>st</sup> Israeli Conference on Robotics (ICR 2006), Tel-Aviv University, Israel, June 29, 2006
- P4. **Y. Or\***, D. Meltz and E. Rimon, “Dynamic jamming - experimental demonstration of inconsistency in frictional rigid-body dynamics”, ICRA 2008 Workshop on Contact Models for Manipulation and Locomotion, Pasadena, CA, May 19, 2008

- P5. E. Rimon\* and Y. Or, “Geometric Characterization and Experimental Validation of Frictional 3-Contact Equilibrium Stances in Three Dimensions”, ICRA 2008 Workshop on Algorithmic Automation, Pasadena, CA, May 20, 2008
- P6. D. Meltz\*, Y. Or and E. Rimon, “Experimental Verification and Graphical Characterization of Dynamic Jamming in Frictional Rigid-Body Mechanics”, 2<sup>nd</sup> Israeli Conference on Robotics (ICR 2008), Herzlia, Israel, November 19-20, 2008
- P7. Y. Or\* and R. M. Murray, “Dynamics and stability of low Reynolds number swimming near a plane wall”, 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics (DFD), San Antonio, Texas, November 23–25, 2008
- P8. Y. Or\* and R. M. Murray, “Dynamics and stability of low Reynolds number swimming near a wall” (poster), IMA Workshop: “Natural Locomotion in Fluids and on Surfaces: Swimming, Flying, and Sliding”, University of Minnesota, June 1-5, 2010
- P9. Y. Or\* and E. Rimon, “Investigation of Painlevé’s paradox and dynamic jamming during mechanism sliding motion”, 7<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2011), July 24-29, 2011, Rome, Italy.
- P10. Y. Or\*, “Dynamics and stability of Purcell’s three-link microswimmer near a wall”, 7<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2011), July 24-29, 2011, Rome, Italy.
- P11. B. Gamus\* and Y. Or, “Analysis of a Bipedal Walking Robot with Hybrid Dynamics”, 32<sup>nd</sup> Israeli Conf. on Mechanical Engineering, Tel Aviv, Israel, October 17-18, 2012.
- P12. E. Gutman\* and Y. Or, “Dynamics of Purcell’s Three-Link Microswimmer with a Passive Elastic Tail”, 32<sup>nd</sup> Israeli Conf. on Mechanical Eng., Tel Aviv, Oct. 17-18, 2012.
- P13. Y. Or\*, “Asymmetry and stability of shape kinematics in microswimmers’ motion”, 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, San Diego, CA, USA, November 18-20, 2012.
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- P15. Y. Or\*, “Asymmetry and stability of shape kinematics in microswimmers’ motion”, 5<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Bifurcations and Instabilities in Fluid Dynamics (BIFD 2013), Haifa, Israel, July 8-11, 2013.
- P16. E. Gutman and Y. Or\*, “Dynamics of Purcell’s three-link microswimmer with a passive elastic tail”, 5<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Bifurcations and Instabilities in Fluid Dynamics (BIFD 2013), Haifa, Israel, July 8-11, 2013.
- P17. E. Gutman\* and Y. Or, “Analysis of the dynamics and motion control of miniature swimmers”, 4<sup>th</sup> Israeli Conference on Robotics (ICR 2013), Tel Aviv, Israel, November 19-20, 2013.
- P18. L. Lasker\* and Y. Or\*, “Path planning of planar parallel manipulator with joint clearances”, 4<sup>th</sup> Israeli Conference on Robotics (ICR 2013), Tel Aviv, Israel, November 19-20, 2013.
- P19. B. Gamus and Y. Or\*, “Analysis of dynamic bipedal robot walking with stick-slip transitions”, Dynamic Walking 2014, June 10-13, 2014, ETH University, Zurich, Switzerland.

- P20. B. Gamus and **Y. Or\***, “Analysis of dynamic bipedal robot walking with stick-slip transitions”, 8<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2014), July 6-11, 2014, Vienna, Austria.
- P21. E. Gutman\* and **Y. Or**, “Simple model of a planar undulating magnetic microswimmer”, 8<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2014), July 6-11, 2014, Vienna, Austria.
- P22. O. Chakon\* and **Y. Or**, “Theoretical and Experimental Investigation of the Twistcar Vehicle's Dynamics”, 33<sup>rd</sup> Israeli Conf. on Mechanical Eng., Tel Aviv, March 2-3, 2015.
- P23. A. Cohen\* and **Y. Or**, “Dynamics and control of rehabilitative exoskeleton with robotic crutches”, 33<sup>rd</sup> Israeli Conf. on Mechanical Eng., Tel Aviv, March 2-3, 2015.
- P24. E. Gutman\* and **Y. Or**, “Simple model of a planar undulating magnetic microswimmer”, 33<sup>rd</sup> Israeli Conf. on Mechanical Eng., Tel Aviv, March 2-3, 2015.
- P25. E. Gutman and **Y. Or\***, “Optimizing an undulating magnetic microswimmer for cargo towing”, 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of APS Division of Fluid Dynamics (DFD), Boston MA, Nov. 22–24, 2015.
- P26. I. Perel\*, H. Bunis\* and **Y. Or**, “Control of a truck and trailer system in reverse”, 33<sup>rd</sup> Israeli Conf. on Mechanical Eng., Tel Aviv, March 2-3, 2015.
- P27. A. Gross\* and **Y. Or**, “Analysis of Dynamic Jumping Motion of a Robotic Leg”, 33<sup>rd</sup> Israeli Conf. on Mechanical Eng., Tel Aviv, March 2-3, 2015.
- P28. **Y. Or\***, “Analysis of foot slippage in simple theoretical models of dynamic legged locomotion in sagittal plane”, CRM conference on open problems in nonsmooth dynamics, February 1-5, 2016, Barcelona, Spain.
- P29. O. Wiesel\* and **Y. Or**, “Optimization and small-amplitude analysis of Purcell's three-link microswimmer model”, 5<sup>th</sup> Israeli Conf. on Robotics (ICR 2016), Herzlia, Israel, April 13-14, 2016
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- P40. P. Varkonyi\* and **Y. Or**, "Lyapunov stability of a planar rigid body with two frictional point contacts", 9<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2017), June 25-30, 2017, Budapest, Hungary.
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- P45. **Y. Or**, "Soft Robotics: shape-changing legged locomotion", presented at Workshop on Security and Defense Research, Nov 21, 2017, at the Technion.
- P46. B. Gamus\*, L. Salem, E. Ben-Haim, A. D. Gat and **Y. Or**, "Interaction between inertia, viscosity, and elasticity in soft robotic actuator with fluidic network". 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of APS Division of Fluid Dynamics (DFD), November 19-21, 2017, Denver, Colorado, USA.
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- P66. E. Tovi\* and **Y. Or**, “Dynamics and stability of a planar three-link swimmer with passive visco-elastic joint in Ideal fluid”, 10<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2022), July 17-22, 2022, Lyon, France.
- P67. Y. Geron\*, S. Givli and **Y. Or** (poster), “Dynamics and minimalistic control of a flexible structure containing bi-stable elements”, 10<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2022), July 17-22, 2022, Lyon, France.
- P68. J. Paul\*, **Y. Or** and O. V. Gendelman (poster), “Bifurcations and stability transitions in nonlinear dynamics of a planar undulating magnetic microswimmer”, 10<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2022), July 17-22, 2022, Lyon, France.
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- P71. Z. Yu\* and **Y. Or**, “Nonholonomic dynamics of steer-free rotor-actuated Twistcar”, Israeli Robotics Conference, March 28, 2023, Herzliya, Israel.
- P72. L. Rizyaev\* and **Y. Or**, “Locomotion dynamics of an underactuated wheeled three-link robot” (online), 3<sup>rd</sup> International Nonlinear Dynamics Conf. (NODYCON 2023), June 18-22, Rome, Italy.
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- P75. G. Ben Zvi and **Y. Or**\*, “Dynamics of Purcell’s three-link microswimmer model with actuated-elastic joints” (online), 3<sup>rd</sup> International Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (NODYCON 2023), June 18-22, Rome, Italy.
- P76. **Y. Or**\*, “Nonlinear dynamics, bifurcations and stability transitions in motion of periodically-actuated micro-swimmers” (online), 10<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics (ICIAM 2023), August 20-25, Tokyo, Japan.
- P77. E. Ben-Haim, Y. Geron, A. D. Gat, **Y. Or**\* and S. Givli, “Dynamic single-input control of multi-state multi-transition soft robotic actuator”, 11<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2024), July 22-26, 2024, Delft, Netherlands.
- P78. N. Berkovich-Lahav\*, O. Wiesel and **Y. Or**, “Optimal control of a swimming robot based on Purcell’s microswimmer model”, 11<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2024), July 22-26, 2024, Delft, Netherlands.

- P79. Z. Yu<sup>\*</sup> and **Y. Or**, “Nonholonomic dynamics of the dissipative Twistcar vehicle - theoretical analysis and experiments”, 11<sup>th</sup> European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (ENOC 2024), July 22-22, 2024, Delft, Netherlands.
- P80. Z. Chapnik<sup>\*</sup>, S. Revzen and **Y. Or**, “Extending geometric mechanics beyond kinematic isotropic systems” (Poster), 12<sup>th</sup> Annual D. Dan and Betty Kahn Scientific Symposium: Frontiers in Biomedical Research, June 28-July 1, 2024, Traverse City, Michigan, USA.
- P81. R. Levy, A. Dantus and **Y. Or**, “Analysis and experiments of the dissipative Twistcar - direction reversal and asymptotic approximations”, 4<sup>th</sup> International Nonlinear Dynamics Conference (NODYCON 2025), June 22-25, 2025, Hoboken, New Jersey, USA.
- P82. Z. Chapnik<sup>\*</sup>, S. Revzen and **Y. Or**, “Modeling Underactuated Swimmers in Granular Fluid Using Geometric Mechanics” (Poster), IEEE International Conf. Robotics and Automation (ICRA), May 20-23, 2025, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

### **Participation in organizing conferences**

- OC1. Program committee chair and member of steering committee, 3<sup>rd</sup> Israeli Conference on Robotics, 10-11 November, 2010, Herzliya, Israel.
- OC2. Organizer, Belfer Symposium on “Dynamics of micro-swimmers”, held at the Technion in Jan 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Keynote speakers: Eric Lauga, UC San Diego; Bradley Nelson, ETH Zurich. [Booklet](#)
- OC3. Co-Organizer, IAAC Workshop on Motion Control Methods in Robotics, 23 November, 2015, Herzlia, Israel. (Co-organized with Amir Degani). [Program](#) (Hebrew), [Booklet](#).
- OC4. Conference Editorial Board, IEEE International Conf. Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2015, 2016
- OC5. International Program Committee Member, IFAC Conf. on Nonlinear Control Systems, 2016
- OC6. Co-organizer, ISF-supported international research workshop on “Micro-swimmers and Soft Robotics”, Technion, February 3-5, 2020. (with Alex Leshansky & Amir Gat), [Program & Booklet](#)
- OC7. Program committee member, Israeli Conference on Robotics, March 28 2023, Herzliya, Israel.

### **Seminar talks**

- S1. Y. Or, “Computing Stable Equilibrium Stances of a Legged Robot in Frictional Environments”, Center of Foundations of Robotics Seminar, Robotics Inst., Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, May 22, 2006
- S2. Y. Or, “Frictional Dynamics, Hybrid Dynamics, and Stability of Planar Two-Contact Stances under Gravity”, special GRASP seminar, GRASP Laboratory of Robotics Research and Education, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, June 11, 2007
- S3. Y. Or, “Frictional Dynamics, Hybrid Dynamics, and Stability of Planar Two-Contact Stances under Gravity”, CDS seminar, Dept. of Control and Dynamical Systems, California Inst. of Technology, Pasadena, CA, June 13, 2007
- S4. Y. Or, “Dynamics, geometry and stability of low Reynolds number swimming near a Plane Wall”, lecture in CDS 280a – Advanced Topics in Geometric Mechanics and Dynamical Systems (Instructor: Jerrold Marsden), Dept. of Control and Dynamical Systems, Caltech, Pasadena, CA, October 30, 2008

- S5. Y. Or, “Dynamics and control of bio-locomotion: low Reynolds number swimming near a wall”, Applied Math seminar, Dept. of Applied Mathematics and Computer Science, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel. January 20, 2009
- S6. Y. Or, “Dynamics and stability of swimming near a wall in low Reynolds number”, Dept. of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, University of California, San Diego, CA, April 24, 2009
- S7. Y. Or, “Dynamics and stability of swimming near a wall in low Reynolds number”, Dept. of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, Univ. of Southern California, Pasadena, CA, June 1, 2009
- S8. Y. Or, “Reversing symmetry and stability in low-Reynolds-number swimming”, Dept. of Applied Mathematics and Mathematical Physics (AMMP), Imperial College, London UK, Nov. 24, 2011.
- S9. Y. Or, “Dynamics and control of locomotion – from micro-swimming to walking”, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel, June 26, 2013.
- S10. Y. Or, “The nonlinear dynamics and mechanics of robotic locomotion”, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel, November 7, 2017.
- S11. Y. Or, “Nonlinear dynamics and control of articulated robot locomotion”, Control Systems Theory Seminar, Technion, Israel, February 28, 2022.
- S12. Y. Or, “Nonlinear dynamics and control of articulated robot locomotion”, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, September 13, 2022.
- S13. Y. Or, “Nonlinear dynamics and mechanics of undulatory (bio-) robotic locomotion”, Mechanical Engineering Seminar, Tel Aviv University, May 22, 2023.
- S14. Y. Or, “Nonlinear dynamics and mechanics of under-actuated robot motion”, Mechanical Engineering Seminar, Technion, May 27, 2024.