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#### **Department of Biomedical Engineering**

#### Course Name: ROBOTICS AND AUTOMATION IN MEDICINE

#### III Year : VI Semester OVERVIEW OF ROBOT SUBSYSTEM



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The **base** of the robot can be made either **fixed or movable**, depending on the application it is going to be used for.

#### **Manipulator:**

- The combination of *body, arm and wrist* assembly is called the manipulator.
- To the fixed or mobile base, the body of the robot is attached.
- To the body of the robot, the arm is attached.
- At the end of the arm of the robot, there is the wrist assembly.
- The wrist has many components that allow it to be oriented in a variety of positions.
- A series of joints provides movements between the various omponents of body, arm and wrist.

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#### End – effector:

- The end effector is mounted on the wrist of the robot manipulator arm.
- The end effector generally handles objects, makes connection to other machines or performs the required tasks.
- The end effector can be gripper (just grasp and hold an object) or can be a tool (to perform a task)
- Some examples of end effectors are Welding torch, paint spraying gun, glue – laying device and a part handler.





### **Actuators / Drives:**

- Actuators are the *muscles* of the manipulators.
- Actuators *provide the movement* of body, arm and wrist.
- The actuators determine the *speed of operation, load carrying capacity and dynamic performance* of a robot.
- The *nature of applications* for which a robot can be used is decided by the drive system to some extent.
- Common types of actuator are stepper motors, servo motors, pneumatic cylinders and hydraulic cylinders.





#### **Controller:**

- The controller *controls the motions* of the actuators.
- The controller acts on data it receives from the computer and coordinates the motions with the sensory feedback information.
- The velocity and force exerted by the robot are also controlled by the controller.
- For example let us assume that a robot must pick an object, for which the joint should be at angle of 30°. If the joint is already not at this angle, then the controller will send a signal to the actuator, causing the joint to move.





### Sensors:

- Sensors are used to collect information about the internal state of the robot or to communicate with the outside environment.
- The sensors integrated into the robot send information about each joint or link (Joint angles, position information) to the controller, which in turn determines the signal to the actuator.
- To communicate with the outside environment, the robots are equipped with sensory devices such as vision systems, touch and tactile sensors, speech synthesizers etc.





#### Interfaces:

- Interfaces are required for the robot to interact with the outside world.
- The interfaces act as link between the robot and external world.
- The interface can be either between a robot and a computer or can be between a robot and other machine.



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