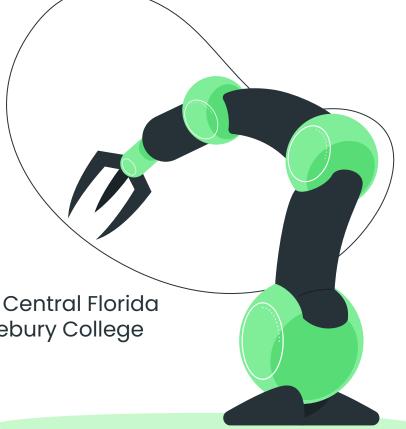
# Bio Robotics: Wearable Prosthetics

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# Worldwide Impact



• 30 million people worldwide



 1 in 1,900 babies in the United States

## **Focused Impact**

Create an economical and environmentally friendly wearable device that is up to date with today's technology

## **Environmentally Favorable**

#### Poly-Lactic Acid (PLA) (PETG) Biodegradable

- Less carbon emissions
- Easier to work with
- Long lasting

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PLA 3D Printer Filament, SUNLU PLA Filament 1.75mm, Dimensional Accuracy +/- 0.02 mm, 1 kg Spool, 1.75mm, PLA Black

Visit the SUNLU Store

★★★★☆ 15,579 ratings

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Amazon's Choice in 3D Printing Filament by SUNLU

List Price: \$27.99 Details

Price: \$18.99 (\$0.54 / Ounce) Prime One-Day

You Save: \$9.00 (32%)

#### Polyethylene terephthalate glycol

- The smoke is carcinogenic
- More expensive overall
- Used in production of consumer products



Amazon Basics PETG 3D Printer Filament, 1.75mm, Orange, 1 kg Spool Visit the Amazon Basics Store \*\*\*\* \* 5,382 ratings | 14 answered questions \$2469 (\$0.70 / Ounce) √prime & FREE Returns ~ Save up to 11% with business pricing. Sign up for free Amazon Business account Brand Material Polyethylene Terephthalate Glycol Color Orange 1 Kilograms 1.75 Millimeters Item Diameter

### Compare, Contrast & Cost







- Intricate wiring, advanced technology
- Complicated surgery needed in order to connect nerve receptors and wiring
- Cost: \$20,000-100,000 (depends)

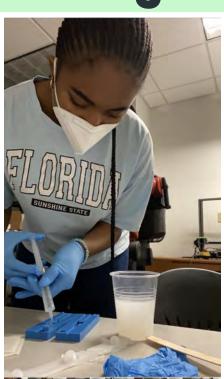


- Enable hand
- Need a 3D printer, printing skills and experience, some flexible wiring, and metal screws
- Non invasive, still mobile
- Cost \$200-300
- Total with printer: \$1,000-1,500 (depending on printer and material chosen)

# **Creating Mold**



1. Using 3D printing software to create the negative mold



2. Mixing Dragon skin, vacuuming it, perfecting it

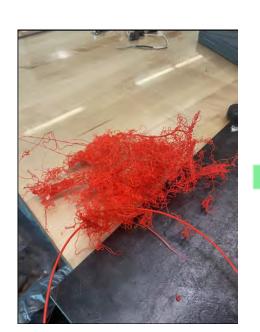


3. Critiquing, making adjustments to the final product

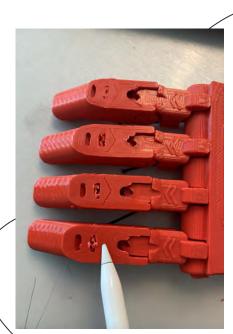


## Challenges

- New to 3D printing (tinkercadd, solidworks)
- Molding
- Time for background research A lot of trial and errors



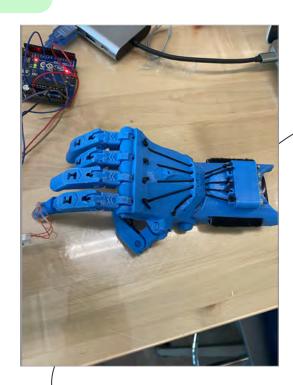




#### **Final Product**







# Importance of Touch

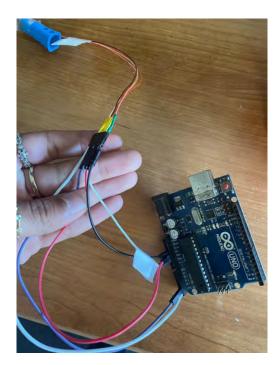
• Give the sensation of feeling to children



#### **Arduino**







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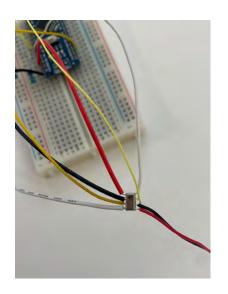
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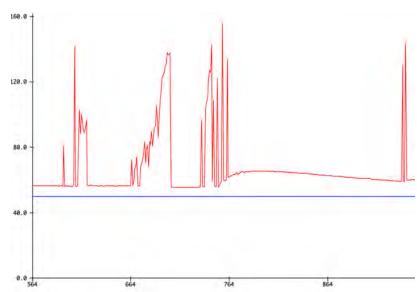
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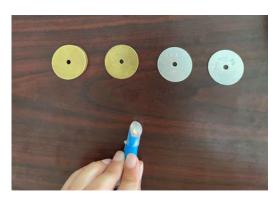
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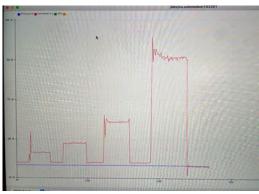




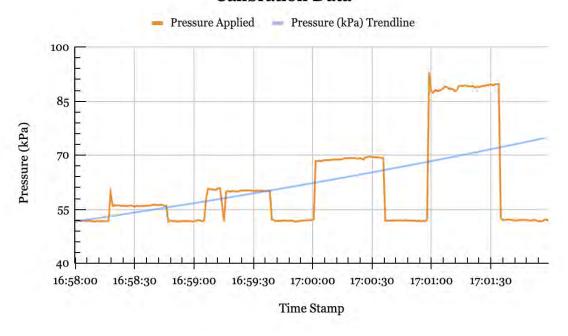


# Calibrating the Data





#### Calibration Data

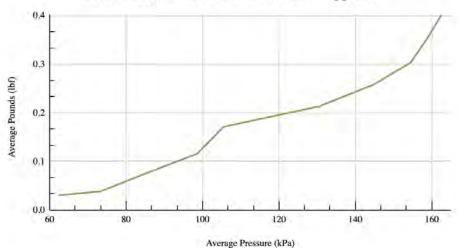


## **Understanding the Findings**

- Challenges:
  - Sensor does not work well
    - Difficult to analyze findings
- Limiting the Sensor:
  - $0\% \rightarrow 55.0923$  kPa at rest
  - $\circ$  100%  $\rightarrow$  162.6291 kPa at 0.400 lbf
- Results:
  - The finger would have pressure reading limitations when used



#### Pressure Relative to the Pound-Force Applied



#### **Future**

- Mobility
  - Wiring, coding
- Have sensors for all fingers
  - o Done from scratch
- A working mold
- Tests on pediatric patient
  - Hard to do

#### **CONSTANT GOAL:**

- Non-invasive
- Cost effective
- Biologically and environmentally friendly



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