

How do jumpers work?

Muscles and motors cannot generate the high power outputs necessary to propel these jumpers on their own. Instead, many biological and engineered systems use muscles and motors to store energy in spring-like structures. They then use latch mechanisms to release the spring energy to launch (actuate) the jump.

Are biological jumpers limited by a rotary motor?

Even when biological jumpers use elastic structures to launch their jumps, they are still limited by the amount of energy that muscles can store in these springs. As long as rotary motors can continue rotating, engineered systems are instead limited by the energy density (stored energy per mass) of the springs.

How do spring-driven jumping robots work?

Spring-driven jumping robots use a motor to store elastic energy in a spring, and then release this energy to propel the system, (Fig. 1). For an equivalent peak force and characteristic length, springs can generate greater output power and do more work over the system stroke length than a standalone motor,.

Does a spring-driven jumping system have kinetic energy?

However, it is noteworthy that in any spring-driven jumping system operating under nonzero gravitational acceleration, the elastic-kinetic energy conversion approaches to, but never equals, one. This is because part of the energy must be converted into gravitational potential gained by the body before take-off.

Previous design methodologies for spring-driven jumping robots focused on jump height optimisation for specific tasks. In doing so, numerous designs have been proposed including using ...

Spring-driven jumping robots use an energised spring for propulsion, while the onboard motor only serves as a spring-charging source. A common mechanism in designing these robots is ...

For instance, altered kinematics could also affect performance outcomes of a jump. Here we we address the specific question of whether there is enhanced elastic storage and return of energy in the hip, ...

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Here we explore whether isolating additional load during the countermovement is sufficient to increase ground reaction force, and hence elastic energy stored, at the start of the upward ...

Phase jump ride-through requirements by transmission system operators (TSOs) to grid-forming (GFM) battery energy storage systems (BESS) are challenging. A solution to ensure ...

Resource constraints mean that these systems are not designed to control the amount of energy stored and released during each jump.

Energy Storage Architecture An energy storage system's technology, i.e. the fundamental energy storage mechanism, naturally affects its important characteristics including cost, safety, performance, ...

Simpler spring-driven prismatic systems avoid this problem, but have limited elastic-kinetic energy conversion due to momentum transfer to the unsprung foot mass. The models demonstrate ...

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