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Executive Summary

The Deliverable D5.5, SMILING PRO presentation is a layman language leaflet to present the prototype of the SMILING PRO system.

It is a two pages leaflet to be duplex printable in A4 format.

The target audience of the leaflet are clinicians, therapists, trainers but also the elderly themselves, interested to know about the general working principles of the system.



SMILING PRO is a complete system for the training of gait. It consists of 3 modules: a complete walking analysis system:

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e a motorised pair of training shoes: SMILING_{SHOES}

8 a user friendly portable control unit: SMILING_{CU}

training

SMILING *SHOES*, it is necessary to assess the walking abilities. The user is asked to wear the SMILING S-Sense module on the rear of his/her shoes (fig.1) and walk for some minutes. The S-sense is a 6D IMU (Inertial Measurement Unit) wireless unit (fig.2) able to transmit data from a 3D

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SMILING GAIT



The data acquired during walking are sent in real time to a PC for off line processing. Linear and non linear parameters of the gait are computed (fig.3).



Fig.3: Gait parameters computation



Fig.2: S-Sense electronics

The gait analysis results are then used to design the best training program for the SMILING user. The SMILING training consists in a series of sessions of work (once a day, three time a week, ...) composed by basic walking tasks (walk forward, backward, clapping your hands...) to be executed while wearing the special SMILING *SHOES*. The training program is saved on the SMILING *cu* for remote use.

SMILING SHOES



The SMILING_{SHOES} are motorised shoes (fig.4) able to change their configuration during the swing phase of gait to propose a different "ground" when the foot will touch the floor. Each shoe is equipped with 4 independent actuators (fig.5). During training, the next position of the shoe is computed by means of algorithms based on the chaos theory to get challenging situations. The training sessions are managed by the user by means of a devoted control unit, the SMILING_{CU}.







Fig. 5 : SMILING actuators

SMILING_{CU}



The SMILING_{CU} is a portable device (fig.6) designed to supervise the SMILING training sessions. Before any exercise, the unit prompts the user with audio hints on the task to perform (e.g. "walk for 10 steps counting aloud"). While the user is walking, the unit collects in real time data about the gait performance, computes suitable

performance indexes to monitor the training quality and feedbacks the user (e.g. "Very good, you have completely accomplished your task. It's time to move to more difficult exercises...").

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