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# New Challenges in Conceptual Design of Robotic and Mechatronic Systems

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The conceptual model creation of the mechatronic and robotic systems being designed is the actual task which is performed in the frames of automation and robotics, mechatronics, engineering design, computer integrated manufacturing, computer aided design and other related subject fields.

This model should be used at the conceptual design phase and allow to be easy transformed to the concrete mathematical models used at the detailed design phase of robotic and other mechatronic systems life cycles. The conceptual model should also take into account the connected descriptions of mechatronic subsystems of different nature, i.e. mechanical, electronic, electromechanical, and computer.

The Special Issue highlight emerging methods of conceptual and detailed design of mechatronic systems, show the results of specific robotic and other mechatronic systems design, as well as the results of their practical implementation.

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