Motor Control

Sensori-omotor Approaches

- Bobath approach
- Brunnstrom's movement therapy
- Rood approach
- Proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation

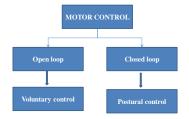
Theoretical basis...

- Neurodevelopmental model
- Reflex theory
- Hierarchical theory
- Systems approach

NEURODEVELOPMENTAL MODEL

 Motor control and its production refers to two systems of output: the open loop (voluntary control) and the closed loop (postural control) mechanisms





OPEN-LOOP SYSTEM...

 Commands sequences of movement that are centrally stored in the nervous system and that serve the functions of mobility in the production of isolated joint and limb motions

CLOSED-LOOP SYSTEM...

- Dependent upon afferent feedback for the elicitation of its automatic movements that serve as the principle motility or stability of the organism
- Prerequisite for the development of normal movement behaviors
- Arise from patterns of coordination

REFLEX Theory

- The basic unit of motor control are reflexes
 - Reflexes → purposeful movement
 - Damage to the CNS results to re-emergence of and inability to control the reflexes

HIERARCHICAL Theory

- Motor control is hierarchically arranged
 - CNS structures involved with movement can be grouped into HIGHER, MIDDLE, and LOWER levels
 - Higher centers regulate and control the middle and lower centers
 - Damage to the CNS results to disruption of the normal coordinated function of these levels

SYSTEMS APPROACH

- Suggests that the CNS does not operate in a strictly descending manner
- No higher levels with which to control the operation of the lower levels
- There is a mutable relationship between the various levels so that each level will alternate between command and subordinate roles in relation to the other levels.

SUMMARY

