

# TRAJECTORY PLANNING DELTA PARALLEL ROBOT USING JACOBIAN METHOD

The motion description in cartesian space considers the path generation method. Meaning you should have the path coordinates as a function of time and then trajectory planning in cartesian space will be realized mainly through the Jacobian matrix

$$v = J \dot{q}$$

If  $\dot{q}$  is velocity of joints and  $v$  is the velocity of the EE in cartesian space

the following are the steps to the algorithm of trajectory planning using Jacobian method:

1. Generate the trajectory coordinated as a function of time
2. Calculate the velocity profile (by differentiating the trajectory coordinates)
3. Calculate the inverse kinematic of the multi-point trajectory and calculate the Jacobian matrix for each point
4. Use  $v = J \dot{\theta}$  for getting velocity profile of the actuator joints

## Step 1: Generate the trajectory coordinates as a function of time

in this step a path is formulated as a function of time. As an example, the linear path system in 3D space is used.

So, the path will be:

$$\begin{aligned}(\text{position formula})_x &= ?? \\(\text{position formula})_y &= \text{constant}_1 \\(\text{position formula})_z &= \text{constant}_2\end{aligned}$$

(And then it is discretized for  $n$  points in space-time)

## Step 2: Velocity profile calculation

In this step we use the  $\frac{d(\text{position formula})}{dt} = (\text{position formula})'$  to gain:

$$\begin{aligned}(\text{velocity profile formula})_x &= ?? \\(\text{velocity profile formula})_y &= 0.0 \\(\text{velocity profile formula})_z &= 0.0\end{aligned}$$

### Step 3: inverse kinematics of the multi-point trajectory

The most relevant loop should be picked up for the intended Jacobian analysis. Let  $\vec{\theta}$  be the vector made up of actuated joint variables and  $\vec{p}$  be the position vector of the moving platform (or end effector) then:

$$\vec{\theta} \equiv \theta_{1i} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_{11} \\ \theta_{12} \\ \theta_{13} \end{bmatrix}, \vec{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \end{bmatrix}$$

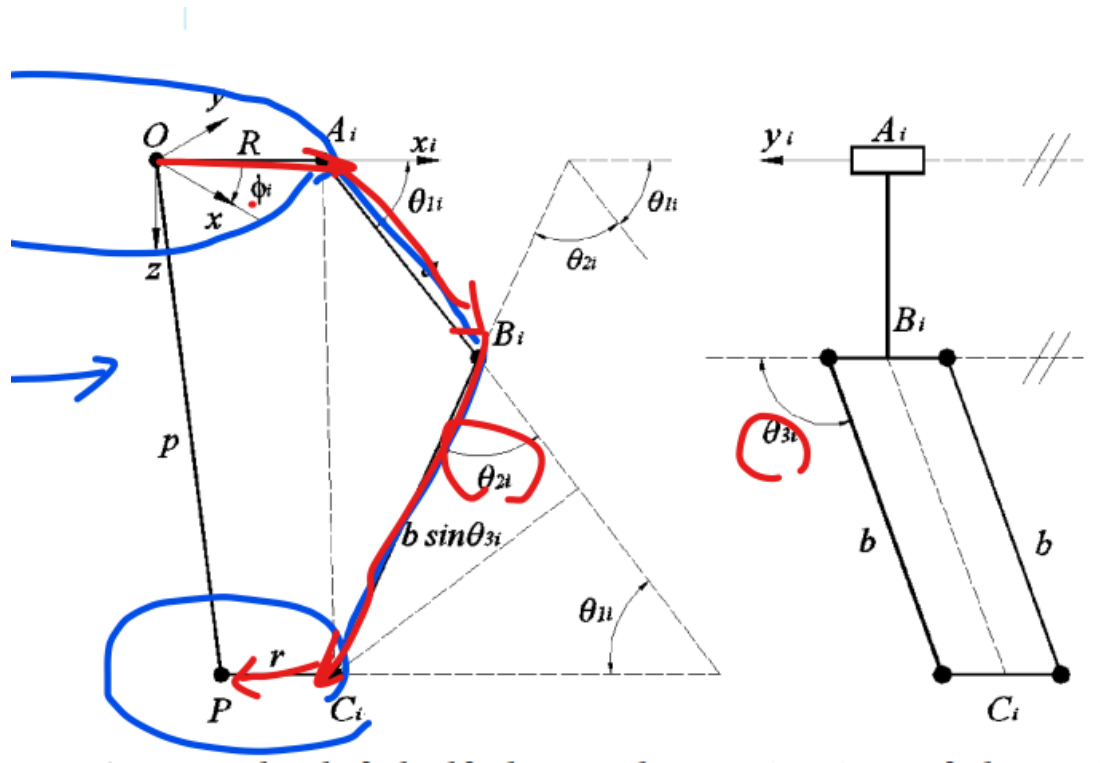


Fig 1-a: kinematics of the delta robot

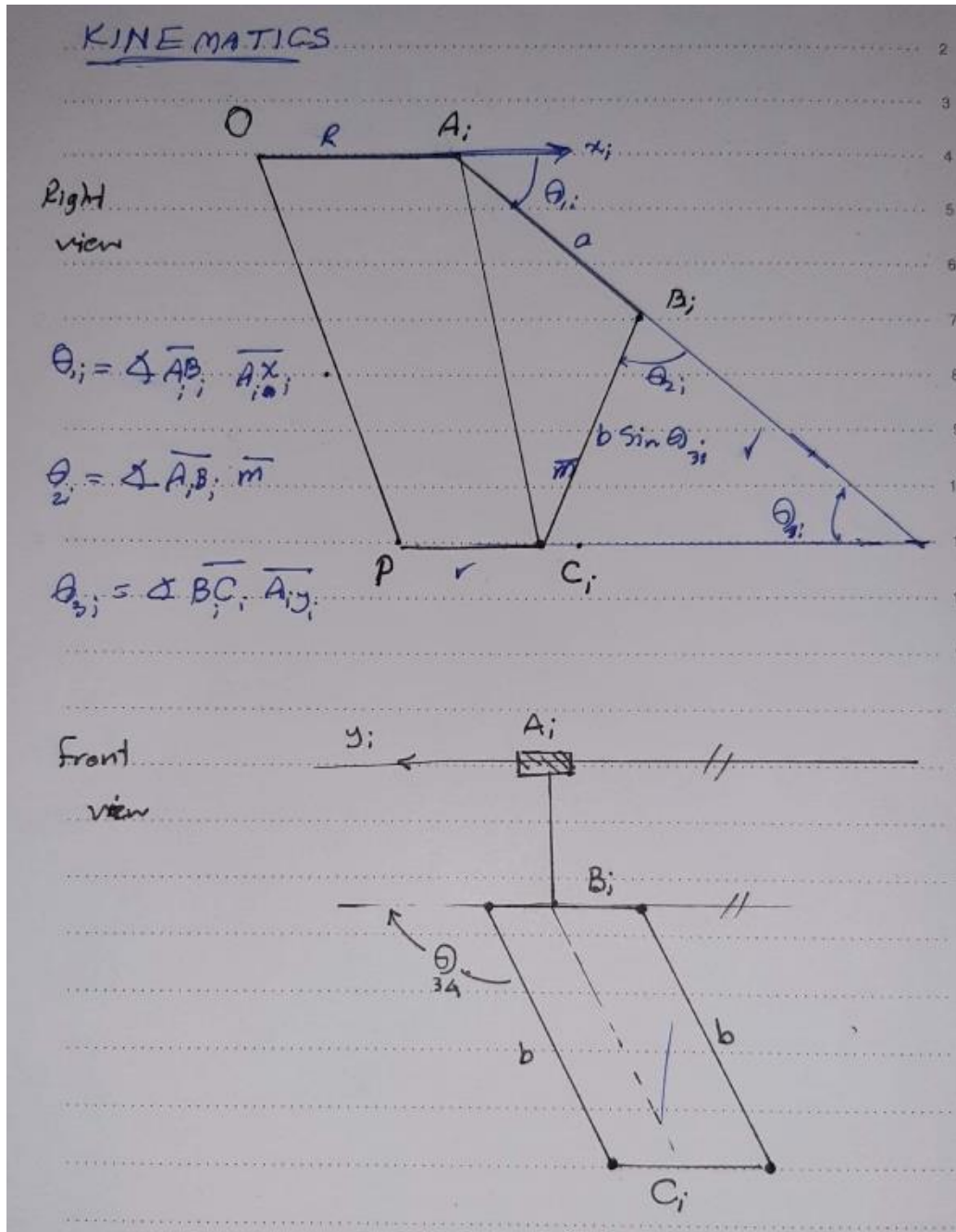


Fig 1-b: kinematics of the delta robot

Jacobian matrix is derived by differentiating the appropriate loop closure equation and rearranging in the following form:

$$J_\theta \dot{\theta} = J_P \dot{p} = J_P \vec{v}$$

That  $J_P$  and  $J_\theta$  are as followed:

$$J_P = \begin{bmatrix} J_{1x} & J_{1y} & J_{1z} \\ J_{2x} & J_{2y} & J_{2z} \\ J_{3x} & J_{3y} & J_{3z} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\theta_{21}) \sin(\theta_{31}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sin(\theta_{22}) \sin(\theta_{32}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sin(\theta_{23}) \sin(\theta_{33}) \end{bmatrix}$$

So how is the above equation, acquired?

### Step 3.1: vector summation and $\theta_{ij}$ calculation

From Fig 1-a and Fig 1-b you can easily see that:

$$\overrightarrow{OP} + \overrightarrow{PC_i} = \overrightarrow{OA_i} + \overrightarrow{A_iB_i} + \overrightarrow{(B_iC_i)}$$

The equation can be re-written as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_x \cos(\Phi_i) - p_y \sin(\Phi_i) \\ p_x \sin(\Phi_i) + p_y \cos(\Phi_i) \\ p_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R - r \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + a \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta_{1i}) \\ 0 \\ \sin(\theta_{2i}) \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\theta_{3i}) \cos(\theta_{2i} + \theta_{1i}) \\ \cos(\theta_{3i}) \\ \sin(\theta_{3i}) \sin(\theta_{2i} + \theta_{1i}) \end{bmatrix}$$

If the above equations are solved for  $\theta_{1i}, \theta_{2i}, \theta_{3i}$  then:

$$\theta_{3i} = \arccos\left(\frac{p_x \cdot \sin(\Phi_i) + p_y \cdot \cos(\Phi_i)}{b}\right)$$

$$\theta_{1i} = 2 \times \arctan(t)$$

$$\theta_{2i} = \arcsin\left(\frac{p_z - a \cdot \sin(\theta_{1i})}{b \cdot \sin(\theta_{3i})}\right) - \theta_{1i}$$

$$\text{Where } t \equiv \frac{(B + (B^2 + A^2 - M^2)^{0.5})}{M + A}$$

That

$$A = p_x \cdot \cos(\Phi_i) - p_y \cdot \sin(\Phi_i) - R + r$$

$$B = p_z$$

$$M = \frac{(A^2 + B^2 + a^2 - (b \cdot \sin(\theta_{3i}))^2)}{2a}$$

Now  $\theta_{ij}$  for  $i, j = 1, 2, 3$  are known (as a function of robot geometry and the position of EE)

### Step 3.2: Jacobian matrix calculation

Reminding that  $J_P$  and  $J_\theta$  are matrices as shown below:

$$J_P = \begin{bmatrix} J_{1x} & J_{1y} & J_{1z} \\ J_{2x} & J_{2y} & J_{2z} \\ J_{3x} & J_{3y} & J_{3z} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\theta_{21}) \sin(\theta_{31}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sin(\theta_{22}) \sin(\theta_{32}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sin(\theta_{23}) \sin(\theta_{33}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Now it is possible to calculate  $J_{ix}$  with respect to the angles calculated in step 3.1 ( $\Phi_i = [0, 120, 240]^\circ$  by default) :

$$\begin{aligned} J_{ix} &= \sin(\theta_{3i}) \cos(\theta_{2i} + \theta_{1i}) \cos(\Phi_i) + \cos(\theta_{3i}) \sin(\Phi_i) \\ J_{iy} &= -\sin(\theta_{3i}) \cos(\theta_{2i} + \theta_{1i}) \sin(\Phi_i) + \cos(\theta_{3i}) \cos(\Phi_i) \\ J_{iz} &= \sin(\theta_{3i}) \sin(\theta_{2i} + \theta_{1i}) \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: using Jacobian matrix to relate velocity of the EE to the velocity of the actuator joints

A quick recap of what the algorithm is doing:

