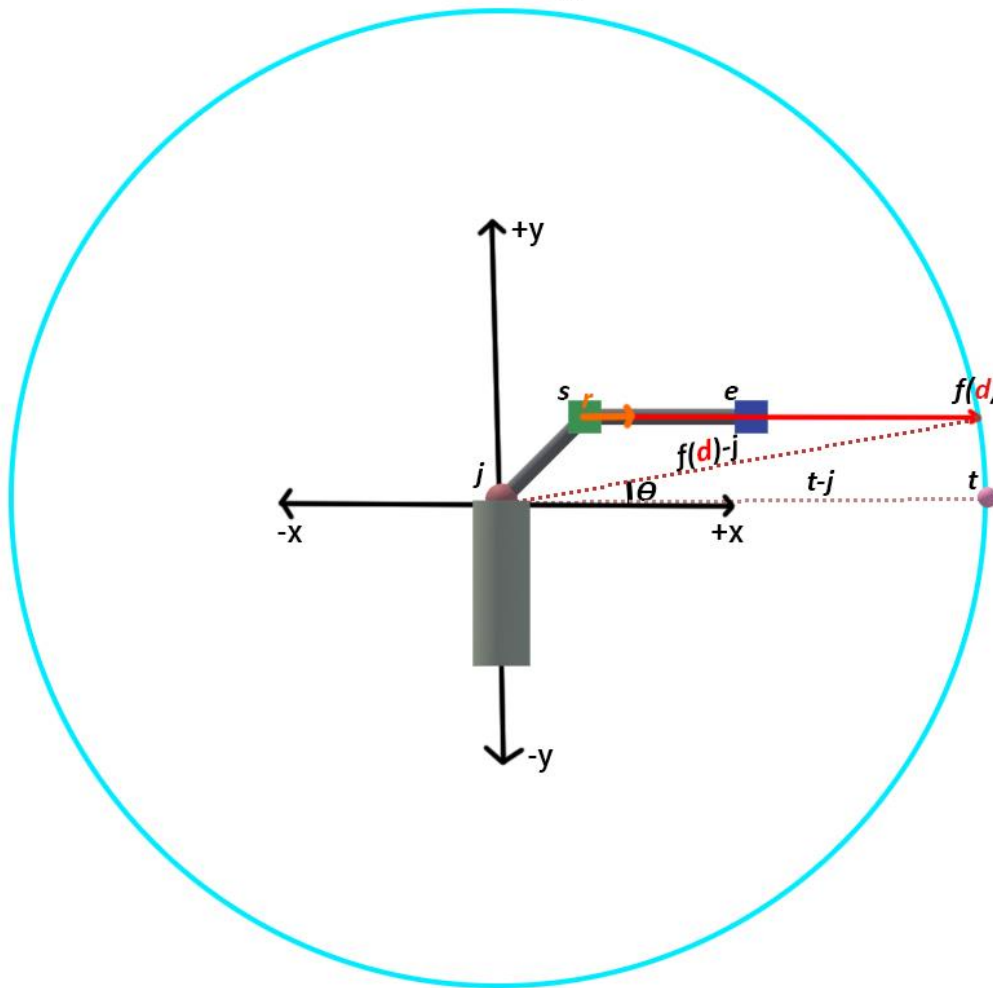


# Calculating Pitch



Looking for **d** such that  
 $||f(\mathbf{d}) - \mathbf{j}|| = ||\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{j}||$

Once we find **d**, the pitch is  $\theta$ , where  
 $\theta = \text{angleBetween}(f(\mathbf{d}) - \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{j})$   
 (clockwise in this case)

For this document, 2D vectors (FVector2D) are bolded (**v**), while scalars (floats) are not bolded (x).

**j** = AimJoint

**s** = BarrelStart

**e** = BarrelEnd

**r** = BarrelRay =  $(\mathbf{e} - \mathbf{s}).\text{GetSafeNormal}()$

**t** = Target

**d** = BarrelRay distance we are trying to find.

**f(d)** = A point at distance "d" along the Barrel Ray.

$= \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{r}d$

$||\mathbf{v}||$  = Calculates the magnitude (distance) of the 2D vector **v**.

$= \mathbf{v}.\text{Size}()$

$= \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2}$

We are trying to find the distance “d” along the BarrelRay (**r**) that we need to travel until we find a point that is as far from the AimJoint (**j**) as the target (**t**).

That is to say we are trying to find a value for “d” that solves this equation:

$$\|f(d) - j\| = \|t - j\|$$

$$\sqrt{(f(d)_x - j_x)^2 + (f(d)_y - j_y)^2} = \sqrt{(t_x - j_x)^2 + (t_y - j_y)^2} \quad \text{Expanding the magnitude functions...}$$

$$(f(d)_x - j_x)^2 + (f(d)_y - j_y)^2 = (t_x - j_x)^2 + (t_y - j_y)^2 \quad \text{Squaring both sides...}$$

$$f(d)_x = s_x + r_x d$$

$$f(d)_y = s_y + r_y d$$

Recall that binomials are factored like so:

$$(a - b)^2 = (a - b)(a - b) = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a + b)^2 = (a + b)(a + b) = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(f(d)_x)^2 = (s_x + r_x d)^2 = s_x^2 + 2s_x r_x d + r_x^2 d^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} (f(d)_x - j_x)^2 &= f(d)_x^2 - 2f(d)_x j_x + j_x^2 \\ &= (s_x^2 + 2s_x r_x d + r_x^2 d^2) - 2(s_x + r_x d)j_x + j_x^2 \\ &= (s_x^2 + 2s_x r_x d + r_x^2 d^2) + (-2j_x s_x - 2j_x r_x d) + j_x^2 \\ &= (j_x^2 - 2j_x s_x + s_x^2) + (2s_x r_x - 2j_x r_x)d + r_x^2 d^2 \\ &= (j_x - s_x)^2 + (2s_x r_x - 2j_x r_x)d + r_x^2 d^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(f(d)_y - j_y)^2 = (j_y - s_y)^2 + (2s_y r_y - 2j_y r_y)d + r_y^2 d^2$$

Recall:

$$(f(d)_x - j_x)^2 + (f(d)_y - j_y)^2 = (t_x - j_x)^2 + (t_y - j_y)^2$$

Substituting the colored sections...

$$(j_x - s_x)^2 + (2s_x r_x - 2j_x r_x)d + r_x^2 d^2 + (j_y - s_y)^2 + (2s_y r_y - 2j_y r_y)d + r_y^2 d^2 = (t_x - j_x)^2 + (t_y - j_y)^2$$

Rearranging...

$$(r_x^2 + r_y^2)d^2 + ((2s_x r_x - 2j_x r_x) + (2s_y r_y - 2j_y r_y))d + ((j_x - s_x)^2 + (j_y - s_y)^2 - (t_x - j_x)^2 - (t_y - j_y)^2) = 0$$

This is a quadratic equation in the form:

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

Where:

$$a = (r_x^2 + r_y^2)$$

$$b = ((2s_x r_x - 2j_x r_x) + (2s_y r_y - 2j_y r_y))$$

$$c = ((j_x - s_x)^2 + (j_y - s_y)^2 - (t_x - j_x)^2 - (t_y - j_y)^2)$$