

EXCAVATOR ARM

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1 Introduction

The objective of this report is compute the pressure and power of a excavator arm.

2 Hydraulic cylinder

2.1 Definition

An hydraulic cylinder is a mechanical system (jack), which converts hydraulic pressure to force and movement.

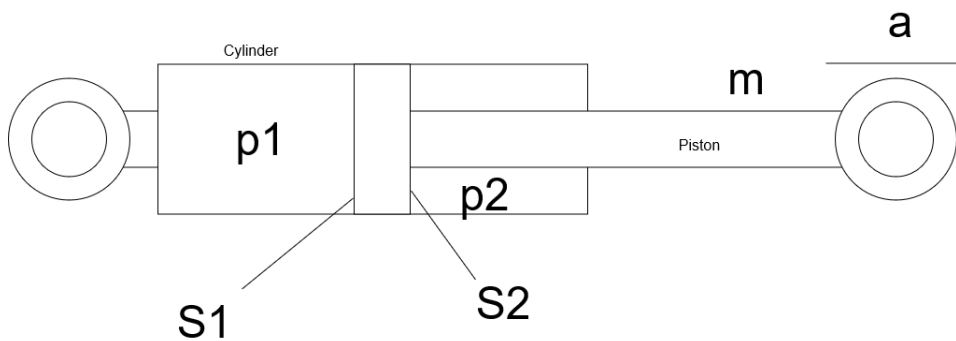
Its component are a cylinder, in which a piston can translate freely. This movement is initiated by controlling the pressure on both sides of the piston.

2.2 Hydraulic system

The engine of the excavator drives an hydraulic pump, which push water into the hydraulic system at specified velocity and pressure. The dimensions of the hoses determine the pressure at any point of the circuit. This will be further detailed in chapter ???.

2.3 Piston movement

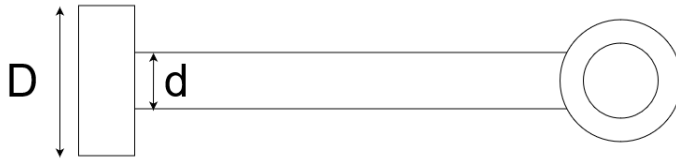
By setting the pressure on both side of the piston, the movement of the piston can be controlled.



Second law of motion :

$$\Sigma F = F_1 - F_2 = F_3 = p_1 \cdot S_1 - p_2 \cdot S_2 = m \cdot a \quad (1)$$

The difference of forces will cause an acceleration of the piston in one direction. F_1 and F_2 are the result of pressure p_1 p_2 on the area S_1 and S_2 .



$$S_1 = \pi \cdot \frac{D^2}{4} = \pi \cdot R^2 \quad (2)$$

$$S_2 = \pi \cdot \frac{D^2}{4} - \pi \cdot \frac{d^2}{4} = \pi \cdot \frac{D^2 - d^2}{4} = \pi(R^2 - r^2) \quad (3)$$

The acceleration is, by definition, the derivative of velocity:

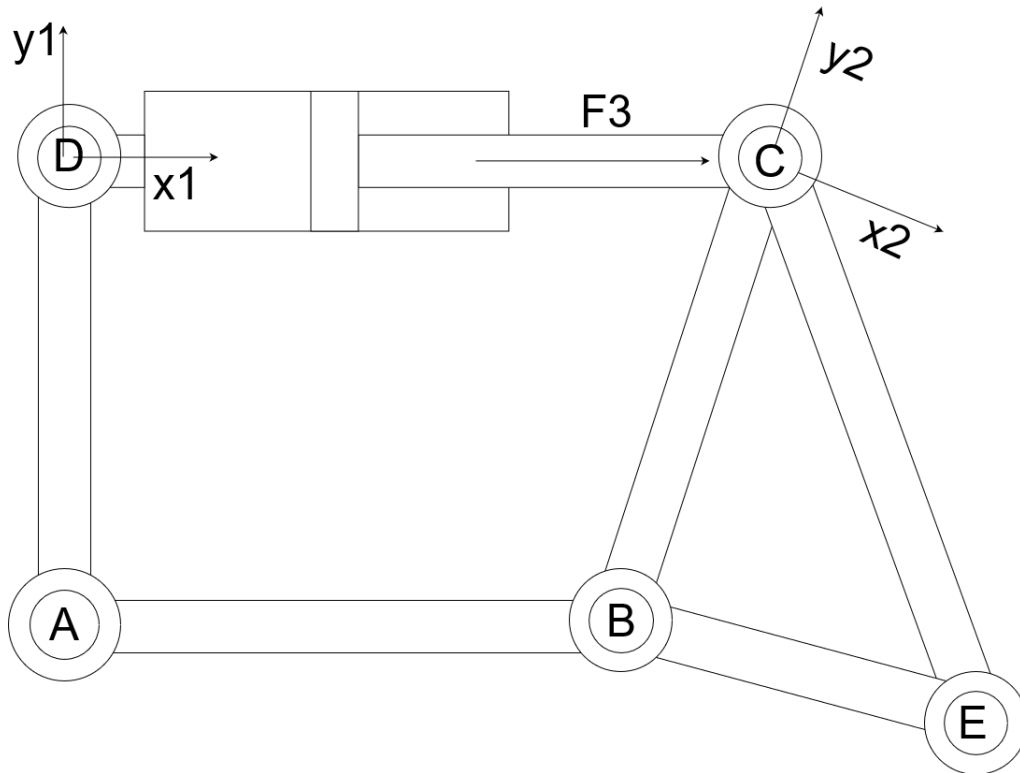
$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} \quad (4)$$

Integrating the acceleration once gives the velocity and twice the position.

$$v = \int a \cdot dt = a \cdot t + v_0 \quad (5)$$

$$x = \int \int a \cdot dt^2 = \frac{a}{2} \cdot t^2 + v_0 \cdot t + x_0 \quad (6)$$

2.4 Arm movement



The triangle BCE is the part of the excavator which needs to be controlled. Let's assure that it represents the bucket, situated at the extreme part of the arm.

The hydraulic cylinder applies a force F_3 on point C , making the triangle BCE rotate on pivot B with an angle β .

In chapter ???, we expose the Newton-Raphson method to determine angle β , between the segments AB and BC .

The torque equilibrium can be established in point B :

$$\sum T_B = I_{BCE} \cdot \alpha \quad (7)$$

$\sum T_B$: total torques applied on point B in [Nm]

I_{BCE} : inertia of the bucket in $[kgm^2]$

α : angular acceleration in $[\frac{rad}{s^2}]$

The sum of torques in point B can be expressed as the vector/cross product of force vector and position vector.

$$\sum \vec{T}_B = \sum \vec{F} \times \vec{d} \quad (8)$$

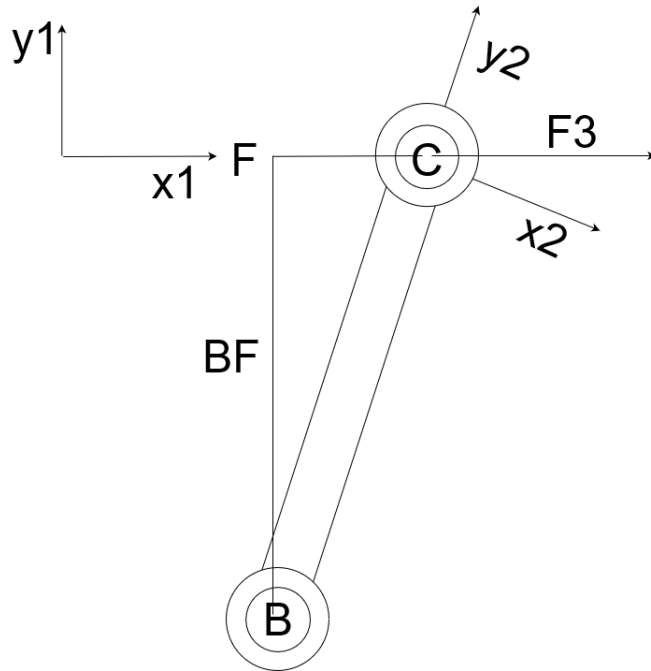
The result is a vector that is perpendicular to both vectors: $\vec{T}_B \perp \sum \vec{F}$ and $\vec{T}_B \perp \vec{d}$.

Let's assume that F_3 is the sum of the torques applied on the triangle BCE . In this case, the application point of F_3 is C . The scalar value of \vec{T}_B is the segment \overline{BC} multiplied by the tangential force. This one is the projection of F_3 on x_2 axis, $F_3^{x_2}$:

$$T_B = ||\vec{T}_B|| = F_3^{x_2} \cdot \overline{BC} \quad (9)$$

The projection of F_3 on x_2 axis, $F_3^{y_2}$ is \parallel to the segment BC . In this case, the vector/cross product is equal to 0. Or:

$$T_B = ||\vec{T}_B|| = F_3 \cdot \overline{BF} \quad (10)$$



\overline{BF} is the shortest distance between the force F_3 and point B . \overline{BF} : projection of segment \overline{BC} on axis y_1 .

$$\vec{BC}_{R_1} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{BC}_{x_1} \\ \overline{BC}_{y_1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_{R_1} \quad (11)$$

or : F_3 multiplied by AD , the distance between F_3 and B . (add schema with this 2 examples)

Generally speaking, sum of Torque in B is 1. the sum of tangential forces multiplied by 2. easier : vector/cross product of a vector and distance vector to the B point.

The Reynolds number is a non-dimensional number, and used to define if the fluid flow is laminar or turbulent.

$$Re = \frac{\rho \cdot u \cdot L}{\mu} \quad (12)$$

ρ : density of the fluid

u : flow speed

L : characteristic linear dimension

μ : dynamic viscosity of the fluid

The characteristic linear dimension L depends on the shape of the object of study. Here some example :

- Plane wing : length of the wing

- Hydraulic pipe : diameter of the pipe
- Complex shape : the biggest dimension

Depending of the result, the flow can have 3 regimes

- If $Re < 2040$, the flow is still considered laminar
- If $Re > 2100$, the flow is turbulent
- If $1800 < Re < 2100$, the flow is in the transition/intermediary range, which is a mix of laminar and turbulent¹

For each regime, the drag force is different. For turbulent and laminar regimes, the formula is as follows:

$$F_d^{turbulent} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot C_D \cdot S \cdot u^2 \quad (13)$$

$$F_d^{laminar} = C_F \cdot \rho \cdot D^2 \cdot u^2 \quad (14)$$

S : cross frontal section

C_D : turbulent drag coefficient

C_F : laminar drag coefficient

The intermediary regime is a mix from the 2 base regimes. In this situation, an approximation can be evaluated by computed the percent Re compared to 1800 and 2100.

$$F_d^{transition} = \left(1 - \frac{Re - 1800}{2100 - 1800}\right) \cdot F_d^{laminar} + \frac{Re - 1800}{2100 - 1800} \cdot F_d^{turbulent} \quad (15)$$

¹https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Laminar_flow

3 Techniques

Prefabricated parts (PFP) /pre-manufactured parts (PMP)

Instead of creating the same parts again and again, design the components and make them easily modifiable. for example, combine 2 parts to create a third one, which is useful in an other application. Then add them to the system in the assembly Example : threads : try the smallest possible size, for example M3 to M20.

Test them with small parts and check the tolerances. The next step is to prepare small parts ready to be added to system parts. The final step is the merge the bodies.
table

Table 1: Holes and threaded holes

Screw	Threaded hole diameter	Bore Hole (clearance)
M3	2.8	3.2
4	35	144
5	45	300

Clearance To fix two part together, a clearance is needed. When two parts must be assembled together, a clearance of 0.1mm is enough. Then use the glue to fix the assembly.

Table 2: Nonlinear Model Results

Case	Method#1	Method#2	Method#3
1	50	837	970
2	47	877	230
3	31	25	415
4	35	144	2356
5	45	300	556

$$Length_{latitude}(\phi) = 111132.92 - 559.82 \cdot \cos(2 \cdot \phi) + 1.175 \cdot \cos(4 \cdot \phi) - 0.0023 \cdot \cos(6 \cdot \phi) = \dots [m/degree] \quad (16)$$

1 degree longitude at latitude phi

$$Length_{longitude}(\phi) = 111412.84 - 93.5 \cdot \cos(3 \cdot \phi) + 0.118 \cdot \cos(5 \cdot \phi) = \dots [m/degree] \quad (17)$$

4 Schéma cinématique

4.1 Vecteurs positions

origine : centre de rotation verticale se trouvant sous les pâles principales.

position des pâles principales (pp) : vecteur verticale

position de l'hélice arrière : vecteur allant de l'origine vers l'hélice (h) arrière.

5 Angular momentum

5.1 Formula

$$\vec{L} = \vec{OA} \otimes \vec{P} = \vec{r} \otimes \vec{P} = \vec{r} \otimes m \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{I} \otimes \vec{\omega} \quad (18)$$

\vec{L} : Angular Momentum [$kg \cdot \frac{m^2}{s}$]

\vec{OA} and r : position of the mass [m] according to a reference

\vec{P} : linear momentum [$kg \cdot \frac{m}{s}$]

\vec{v} : velocity [$\frac{m}{s}$] I : moment of inertia [$m^2 \cdot kg$]

ω : angular speed [$\frac{rad}{s}$]

Torque :

$$M = \frac{d\vec{L}}{dt} = \frac{d(\vec{I} \otimes \vec{\omega})}{dt} \quad (19)$$

if we consider a particule of mass m , \vec{r} is the position of the center of mass. If it is a solid object, L is first computed according to the axis of rotation of the object :

$$\vec{L}_{ar} = \vec{I}_{ar} \otimes \vec{\omega}_{ar} \quad (20)$$

To compute the angular moment according to an other axis of rotation (new reference), we use the Huygens-Steiner theorem (or the Parallel axis theorem) :

$$\vec{L}_0 = \vec{I}_0 \otimes \vec{\omega}_{cm} \quad (21)$$

$$\vec{I}_0 = \vec{I}_{ar} + m \cdot d^2 \quad (22)$$

with d the distance between the axis of rotation of the object and the new reference.

5.2 Condition of stability

Main rotor(s):

$$\vec{L}_{mr} = \vec{r}_{mr} \otimes m_{mr} \cdot \vec{v}_{mr} = \vec{I}_{mr} \otimes \vec{\omega}_{mr} \quad (23)$$

Rear rotor :

$$\vec{L}_{rr} = \vec{r}_{rr} \otimes m_{rr} \cdot \vec{v}_{rr} = \vec{I}_{rr} \otimes \vec{\omega}_{rr} \quad (24)$$

assurer la stabilité lors du vol: les moments cinétiques doivent s'annuler. (poser la formule et résoudre)

$$\vec{L}_{mr} = \vec{L}_{rr} \quad (25)$$

or

The generated torque is compensated :

$$\sum \vec{M}_{mr} = \sum \vec{M}_{rr} \quad (26)$$

find a relation between ω_{mr} and ω_{rr} -> determine the transmission ratio

² \vec{L} is perpendicular to both \vec{P} and \vec{r}

5.3 Pivots à droite et à gauche

pour tourner à gauche ou droite, on ne doit plus satisfaire la condition de stabilité. le pilote utiliser le pédalier pour accélérer/ralentir l'hélice arrière. ainsi les moments cinétiques ne sont plus égaux.

calculer l'effet de rotation sur l'hélicoptère si l'hélice est accélérée/ralentie de 10,20,30,..%. mettre un tableau. calculer la vitesse de rotation dans ces cas-là.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ l_1 \end{bmatrix}_{R_1} \vec{AB}_{R_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_{R_2} \vec{BC}_{R_3} = \begin{bmatrix} l_3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_{R_3} \vec{CD}_{R_4} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -l_4 \end{bmatrix}_{R_4} \quad (27)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \vec{OE}_R &= \vec{OA}_R + \vec{AB}_R + \vec{BB}_{1R} + \vec{B_1C}_{1R} + \vec{C_1C}_R \\ &\quad + \vec{CC}_{2R} + \vec{C_2D}_R + \vec{DD}_{1R} + \vec{D_1E}_R \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \vec{OG}_R &= \vec{OA}_R + \vec{AB}_R + \vec{BB}_{1R} + \vec{B_1C}_{1R} + \vec{C_1C}_R + \vec{CC}_{2R} \\ &\quad + \vec{C_2D}_R + \vec{DD}_{1R} + \vec{D_1E}_R + \vec{EF}_R + \vec{FF}_{3R} + \vec{F_3G}_R \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{OH}_R &= \vec{OA}_R + \vec{AB}_R + \vec{BB}_{1R} + \vec{B_1C}_{1R} + \vec{C_1C}_R + \vec{CC}_{2R} + \vec{C_2D}_R \\ &\quad + \vec{DD}_{1R} + \vec{D_1E}_R + \vec{EF}_R + \vec{FF}_{3R} + \vec{F_3G}_R + \vec{GH}_R \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

6 Conclusion