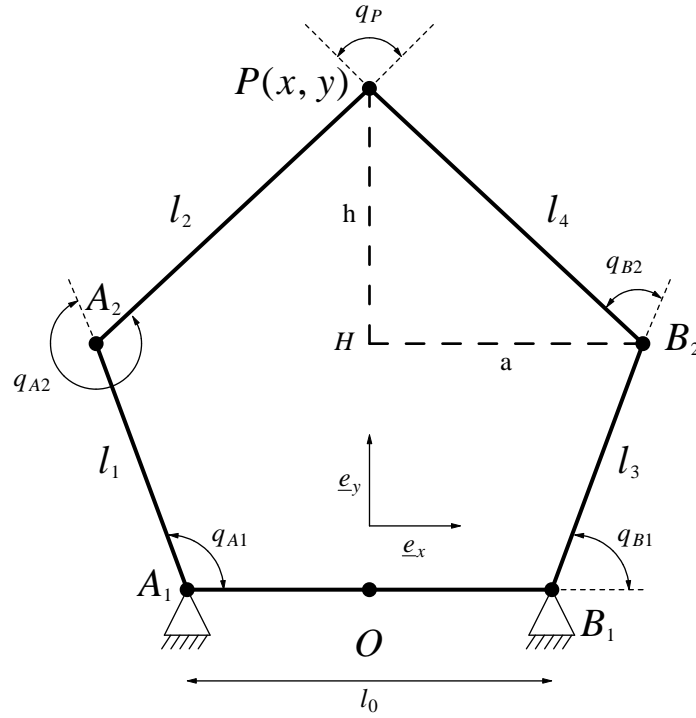


1. 2R Mechanism

2. 5-bar Mechanism

2.1. Defining the problem



Consider the 5 bar mechanism shown above such that the viewer is seeing the top view of the mechanism. It consists of two active links of length l_1 and l_3 , two passive links l_2 and l_4 , as well as a fixed link l_0 . These links are connected with revolute joints A_1 , A_2 , B_1 , B_2 , and P . The origin of the mechanism is at O and the end effector is assumed to be situated at P .

Also consider a point H positioned on the y-axis, and at the same height as A_1 and A_2 . This point is part of a right angle triangle ΔPHB_2 of height h and base a .

2.2. Direct Geometric Model

The position $P(x, y)$ can be expressed in vector form as the sum of all the vectors from O to P .

$$\overline{OP} = \overline{OB_1} + \overline{B_2H} + \overline{HP} \quad (1)$$

First, in order to determine the co-ordinates of point H ,

$$\overline{OA_2} = l_1 \begin{bmatrix} \cos q_{A1} - \frac{d}{2} \\ \sin q_{A1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \overline{OB_2} = l_3 \begin{bmatrix} \cos q_{B1} + \frac{d}{2} \\ \sin q_{B1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

So the co-ordinates of H are:

$$\bar{H} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \cos q_{A1} + l_3 \cos q_{B1} \\ l_1 \sin q_{A1} + l_3 \sin q_{B1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$\overline{B_2H}$ can be expressed as follows:

$$\overline{B_2H} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \cos q_{A1} + l_3 \cos q_{B1}) - l_3 \cos q_{B1} - \frac{l_0}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \sin q_{A1} + l_3 \sin q_{B1}) - l_3 \sin q_{B1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \cos q_{A1} - l_3 \cos q_{B1}) - \frac{l_0}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \sin q_{A1} - l_3 \sin q_{B1}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

\overline{HP} can be found as:

$$\overline{HP} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{h}{a} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \overline{B_2H} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{h}{a} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} (l_3 \sin q_{B1} - l_1 \sin q_{A1}) \\ \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \cos q_{A1} + l_3 \cos q_{B1}) - \frac{l_0}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$\overline{OB_1}$ and $\overline{B_1B_2}$ can be trivially found as,

$$\overline{OB_1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{l_0}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \overline{B_1B_2} = \begin{bmatrix} l_3 \cos q_{B1} \\ l_3 \sin q_{B1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

Adding all of these equations, we obtain \overline{OP} ,

$$\overline{OP} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{l_0}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} l_3 \cos q_{B1} \\ l_3 \sin q_{B1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \cos q_{A1} - l_3 \cos q_{B1}) - \frac{l_0}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \sin q_{A1} - l_3 \sin q_{B1}) \end{bmatrix} + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{h}{a} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} (l_3 \sin q_{B1} - l_1 \sin q_{A1}) \\ \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \cos q_{A1} + l_3 \cos q_{B1}) - \frac{l_0}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \overline{OP} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \cos q_{A1} + l_3 \cos q_{B1}) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{h}{a} \right) \frac{1}{2} (l_3 \sin q_{B1} - l_1 \sin q_{A1}) \\ \frac{1}{2} (l_1 \sin q_{A1} + l_3 \sin q_{B1}) + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{h}{a} \right) \left[\frac{1}{2} (l_1 \cos q_{A1} + l_3 \cos q_{B1}) - \frac{l_0}{2} \right] \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

2.3. Inverse Geometric Model

The Inverse Geometric Model can be found by considering each half of the 5 bar mechanism separately.

2.3.1. Left Half

First, let us find q_{A2} by considering the left part of the mechanism where,

$$\overline{OP} = \overline{OA_1} + \overline{A_1A_2} + \overline{A_2P} \quad (8)$$

$$\overline{OA_1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{l_0}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \overline{A_1A_2} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \cos q_{A1} \\ l_1 \sin q_{A1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \overline{A_2P} = \begin{bmatrix} l_2 \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \\ l_2 \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{OP} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{l_0}{2} + l_1 \cos q_{A1} + l_2 \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \\ l_1 \sin q_{A1} + l_2 \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

Consider the first row of the matrix in the above equation,

$$\cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) = \frac{x - \frac{l_0}{2} - l_1 \cos q_{A1}}{l_2} \quad (11)$$

Similarly, the second row can be written as,

$$\sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) = \frac{y - l_1 \sin q_{A1}}{l_2} \quad (12)$$

Dividing these, we get:

$$\tan(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) = \frac{2y - 2l_1 \sin q_{A1}}{2x + l_0 - 2l_1 \cos q_{A1}} \quad (13)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{q_{A1} = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2y - 2l_1 \sin q_{A1}}{2x + l_0 - 2l_1 \cos q_{A1}} \right] - q_{A1}} \quad (14)$$

2.3.2. Right Half

Similarly, we can find q_{B2} by considering the right part of the mechanism where,

$$\overline{OP} = \overline{OB_1} + \overline{B_2H} + \overline{HP} \quad (15)$$

$$\overline{OB_1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{l_0}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \overline{B_1B_2} = \begin{bmatrix} l_3 \cos q_{B1} \\ l_3 \sin q_{B1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \overline{B_2P} = \begin{bmatrix} l_4 \cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \\ l_4 \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (16)$$

$$\overline{OP} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{l_0}{2} + l_3 \cos q_{B1} + l_4 \cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \\ l_3 \sin q_{B1} + l_4 \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (17)$$

Consider the first row of the matrix in the above equation,

$$\cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) = \frac{2x - l_0 - 2l_3 \cos q_{B1}}{l_4} \quad (18)$$

Similarly, the second row can be written as,

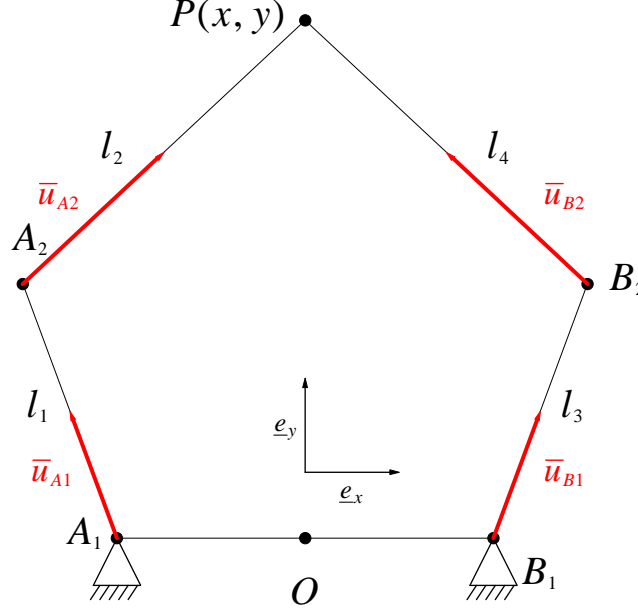
$$\sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) = \frac{y - l_3 \sin q_{B1}}{l_4} \quad (19)$$

Dividing these, we get:

$$\tan(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) = \frac{2y - 2l_3 \sin q_{B1}}{2x - l_0 - 2l_3 \cos q_{B1}} \quad (20)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{q_{B2} = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2y - 2l_3 \sin q_{B1}}{2x - l_0 - 2l_3 \cos q_{B1}} \right] - q_{B1}} \quad (21)$$

2.4. Jacobian Matrix



In order to write the Jacobian matrix, first let us rewrite the problem in terms of unit vectors \bar{u}_{A1} , \bar{u}_{A2} , \bar{u}_{B1} , and \bar{u}_{B2} . We can also rewrite \overline{OP} as \mathbf{p} and subsequently,

$$\overline{OP} = \overline{OA_1} + \overline{A_1A_2} + \overline{A_2P} \quad \overline{OP} = \overline{OB_1} + \overline{B_1B_2} + \overline{B_2P} \quad (22)$$

$$\mathbf{p} = -\frac{l_0}{2} \bar{e}_x + l_1 \bar{u}_{A1} + l_2 \bar{u}_{A2} \quad \mathbf{p} = \frac{l_0}{2} \bar{e}_x + l_3 \bar{u}_{B1} + l_4 \bar{u}_{B2} \quad (23)$$

Differentiating both of these equations with respect to time, we get

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = l_1 \dot{q}_{A1} E \bar{u}_{A1} + l_2 \dot{q}_{A2} E \bar{u}_{A2} \quad \dot{\mathbf{p}} = l_3 \dot{q}_{B1} E \bar{u}_{B1} + l_4 \dot{q}_{B2} E \bar{u}_{B2} \quad (24)$$

Where $E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is the rotation matrix.

Since \bar{u}_{A2} and \bar{u}_{B2} are the two unit vectors associated with the passive links. Multiplying the above equations by the transpose of these vectors, we obtain:

$$\bar{u}_{A2}^T \dot{\mathbf{p}} = l_1 \dot{q}_{A1} \bar{u}_{A2}^T E \bar{u}_{A1} + l_2 \dot{q}_{A2} \bar{u}_{A2}^T E \bar{u}_{A2} \quad \bar{u}_{B2}^T \dot{\mathbf{p}} = l_3 \dot{q}_{B1} \bar{u}_{B2}^T E \bar{u}_{B1} + l_4 \dot{q}_{B2} \bar{u}_{B2}^T E \bar{u}_{B2} \quad (25)$$

The product of a vector and its transpose is equal to 0. Hence the second terms in both of the above equations can be eliminated. By combining the remaining terms, we can form a the matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_{A2}^T \\ \bar{u}_{B2}^T \end{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \bar{u}_{A2}^T E \bar{u}_{A1} & 0 \\ 0 & l_3 \bar{u}_{B2}^T E \bar{u}_{B1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_{A1} \\ \dot{q}_{B2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (26)$$

If we substitute $A = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_{A2}^T \\ \bar{u}_{B2}^T \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \bar{u}_{A2}^T E \bar{u}_{A1} & 0 \\ 0 & l_3 \bar{u}_{B2}^T E \bar{u}_{B1} \end{bmatrix}$ then we have,

$$A \dot{\mathbf{p}} = B \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_{A1} \\ \dot{q}_{B2} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{p}} = A^{-1} B \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_{A1} \\ \dot{q}_{B2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (27)$$

Where Jacobian Matrix $J = A^{-1} B$

2.4.1. Calculating the Inverse Jacobian Matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) & \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \\ \cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \det(A) &= \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) - \cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \\ &= \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2} - q_{A1} - q_{A2}) \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

$$\text{adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & -\sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \\ -\cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (30)$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2} - q_{A1} - q_{A2})} \begin{bmatrix} \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & -\sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \\ -\cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (31)$$

2.4.2. Calculating the Forward Jacobian Matrix

Now, we find the values of $l_1 \bar{u}_{A2}^T E \bar{u}_{A1}$ and $l_3 \bar{u}_{B2}^T E \bar{u}_{B1}$.

$$l_1 \bar{u}_{A2}^T E \bar{u}_{A1} = l_1 [\cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \quad \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2})] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos q_{A1} \\ \sin q_{A1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (32)$$

$$= l_1 \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2} - q_{A1}) = l_1 \sin q_{A2}$$

$$l_3 \bar{u}_{B2}^T E \bar{u}_{B1} = l_3 [\cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) \quad \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2})] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos q_{B1} \\ \sin q_{B1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (33)$$

$$= l_3 \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2} - q_{B1}) = l_3 \sin q_{B2}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \sin q_{A2} & 0 \\ 0 & l_3 \sin q_{B2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (34)$$

2.4.3. Calculating the Jacobian Matrix

We know that $J = A^{-1}B$

$$J = \frac{1}{\sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2} - q_{A1} - q_{A2})} \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \sin q_{A2} \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & -l_3 \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \sin q_{B2} \\ -l_1 \sin q_{A2} \cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & l_3 \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \sin q_{B2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (35)$$

2.5. Stiffness Matrix

The Stiffness Matrix is usually written as $K_x = J^{-T} K_\theta J^{-1}$. However, since Joint Stiffness K_θ is being ignored, the Cartesian Stiffness Matrix can be written as $K_x = J^{-T} J^{-1}$. Where,

$$J = \frac{1}{\sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2} - q_{A1} - q_{A2})} \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \sin q_{A2} \sin(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & -l_3 \sin(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \sin q_{B2} \\ -l_1 \sin q_{A2} \cos(q_{B1} + q_{B2}) & l_3 \cos(q_{A1} + q_{A2}) \sin q_{B2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (36)$$