

# Motivation and Application

## Why automate blackboard cleaning?

- ✓ Saves time during lectures
- ✓ Minimizes chalk dust exposure
- ✓ Promotes cleaner and healthier classrooms
- ✓ Enhances teaching experience

### **Real-world applications:**





- Classrooms & lecture halls
- Coaching centers
- Remote learning setups



# Originality beyond class assignments or teaching notes

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## More than a class project — a real-world solution

-  Not just an assignment — it's engineered for practicality
-  Unique sliding + wiping mechanism
-  Retrofit-friendly for existing blackboards
-  Combines mechanical design with automation logic

# Kinematic Analysis

## How does it move?

 **2 DOF Mechanism:** Horizontal slide + vertical wiper

 Coverage path length : 53 m

 **Cycle time** (at 0.10 m/s): 530.00 s ( $\approx$  8 min 50 s)

 Based on 4-bar and slider linkages

# Kinematic Synthesis

- **Dimensional Synthesis:**

- Optimized dimensions for coverage and minimal overlap.

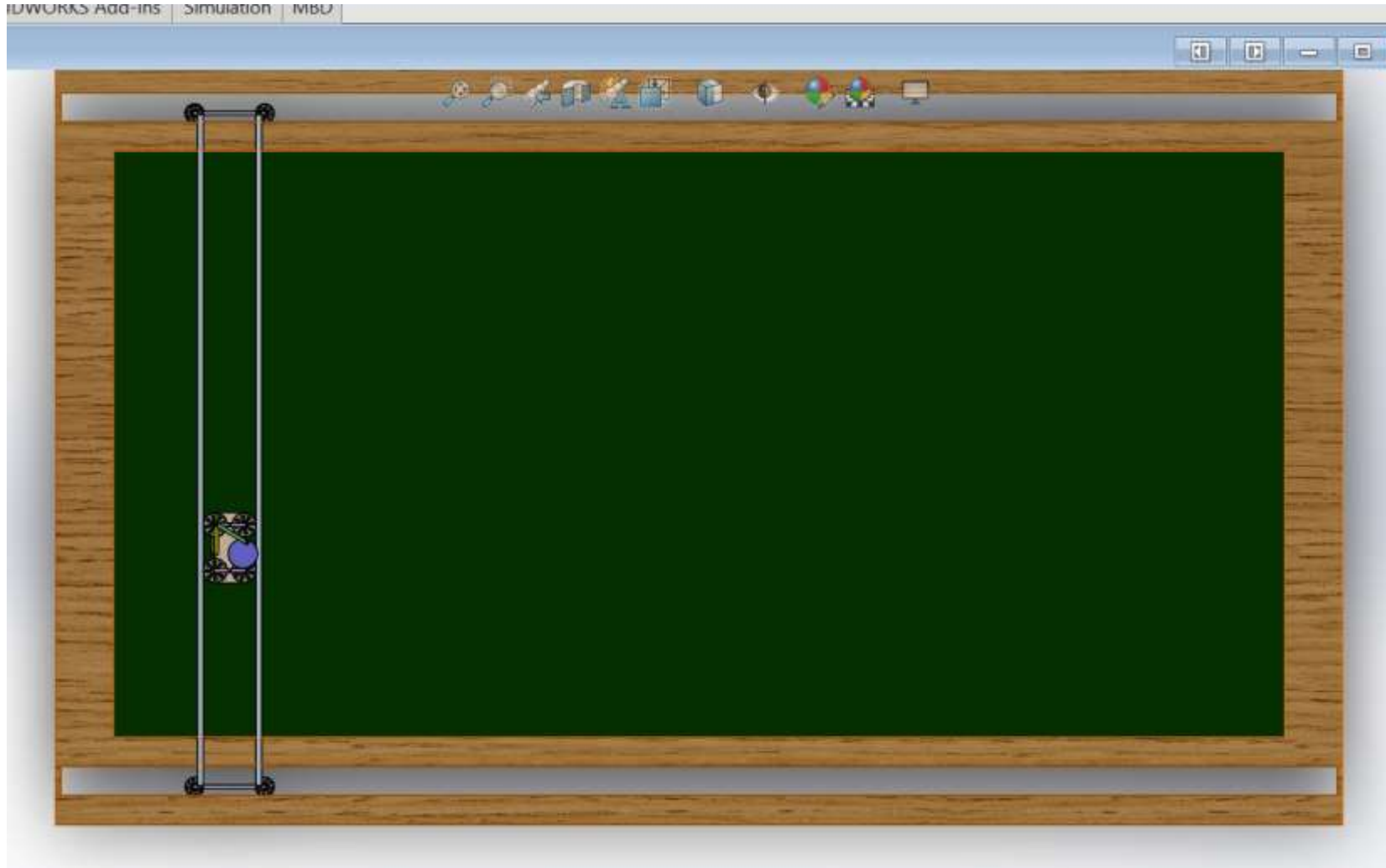
- **Type Synthesis:**

- Linear actuator and rotary motor hybrid system.

- **Motion Planning:**

- Combines vertical and horizontal sweeps using timing wheels and duster attached with four bar mechanism will oscillates and clean the board.

# Computer Aided Design



Overview of whole assembled cad.

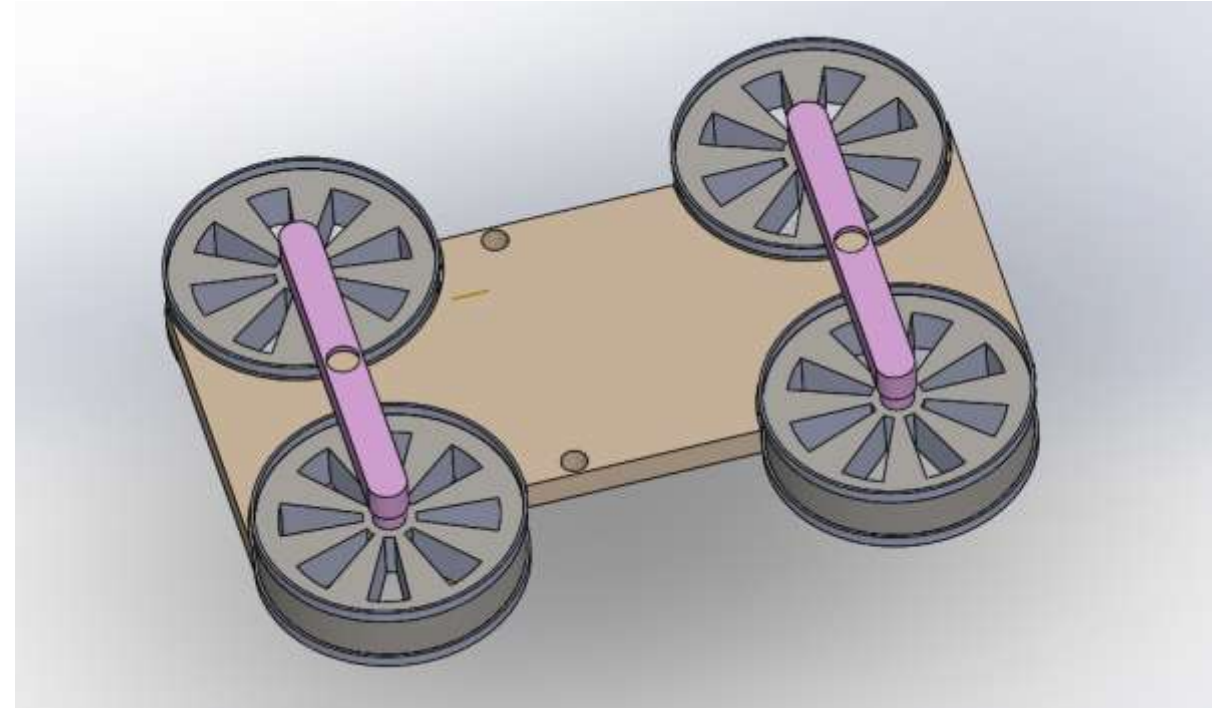
# Computer Aided Design

Vertical Rectangular Frame



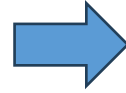
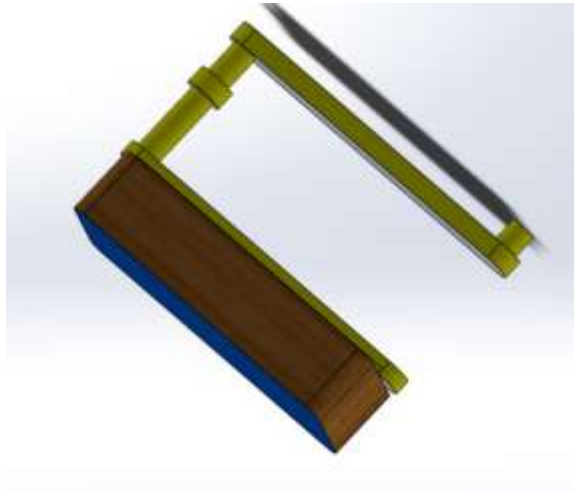
Frame that moves horizontally guided on base frame and provide cleaning in horizontal direction.

Quad- wheel Base platform

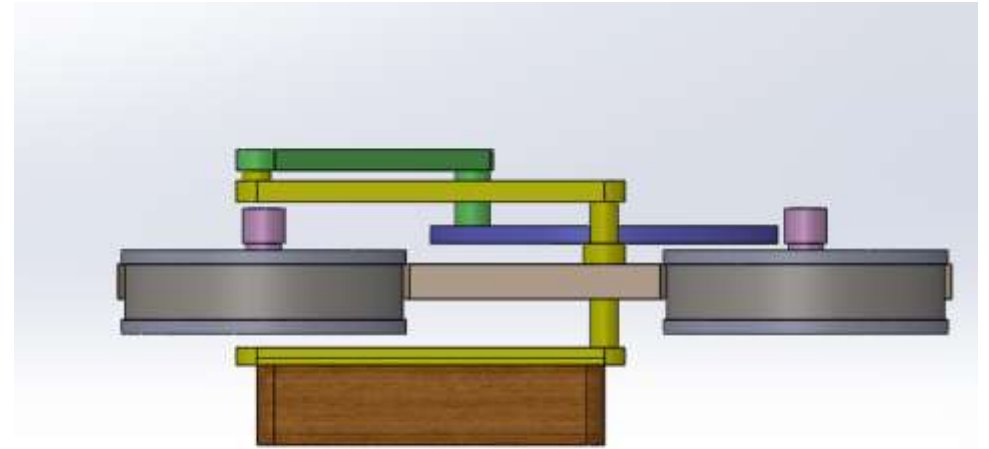


This frame will move vertically upwards and downwards and provide the cleaning in vertical direction.

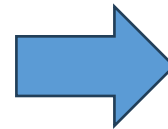
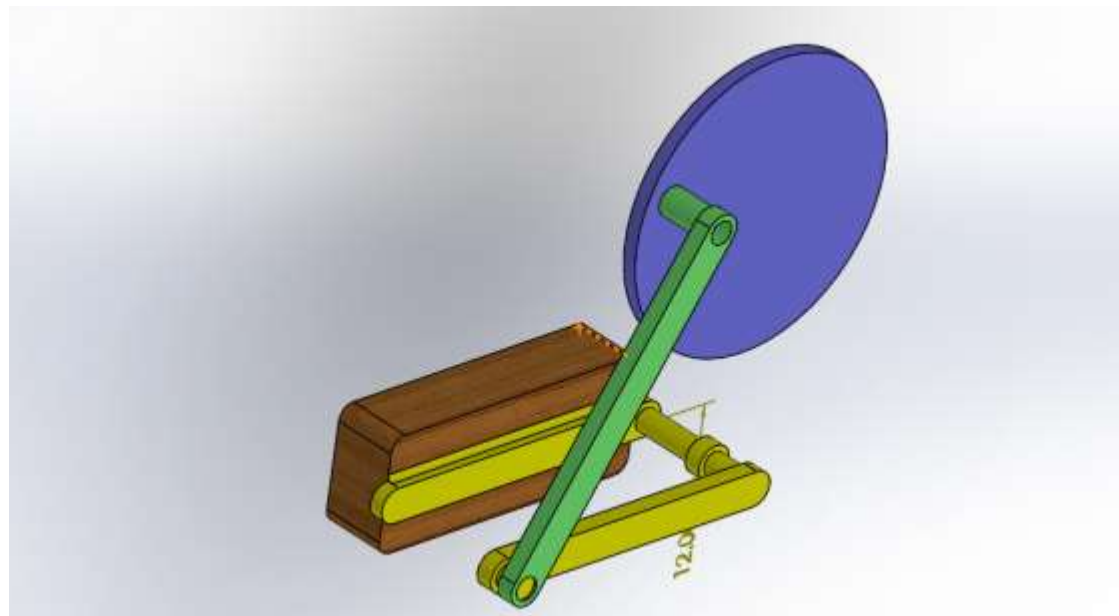
# Computer Aided Design



Duster

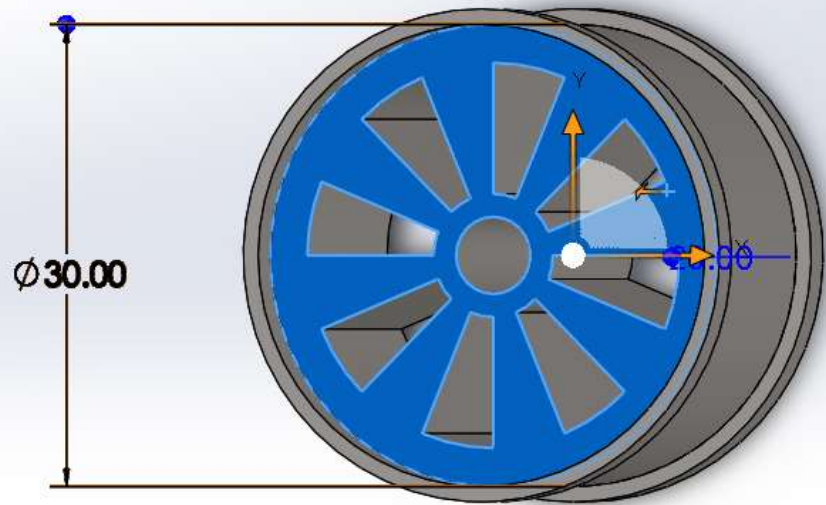


Side view of duster attached with mechanism, showing there is sufficient clearance

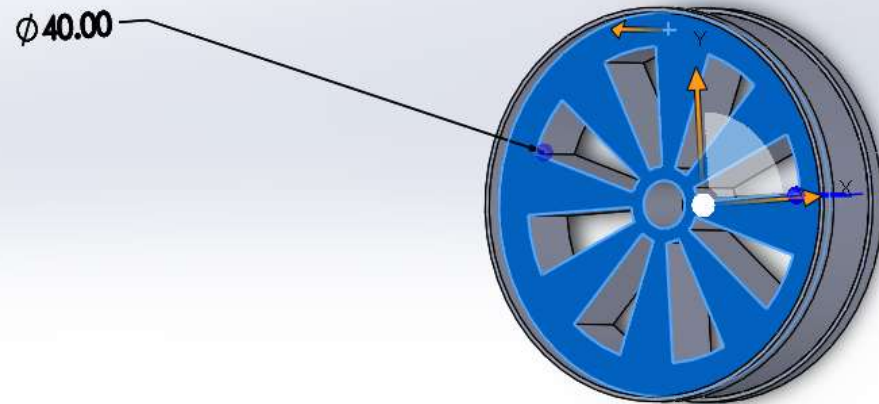


Duster attached with the mechanism  
(Four-bar mechanism)



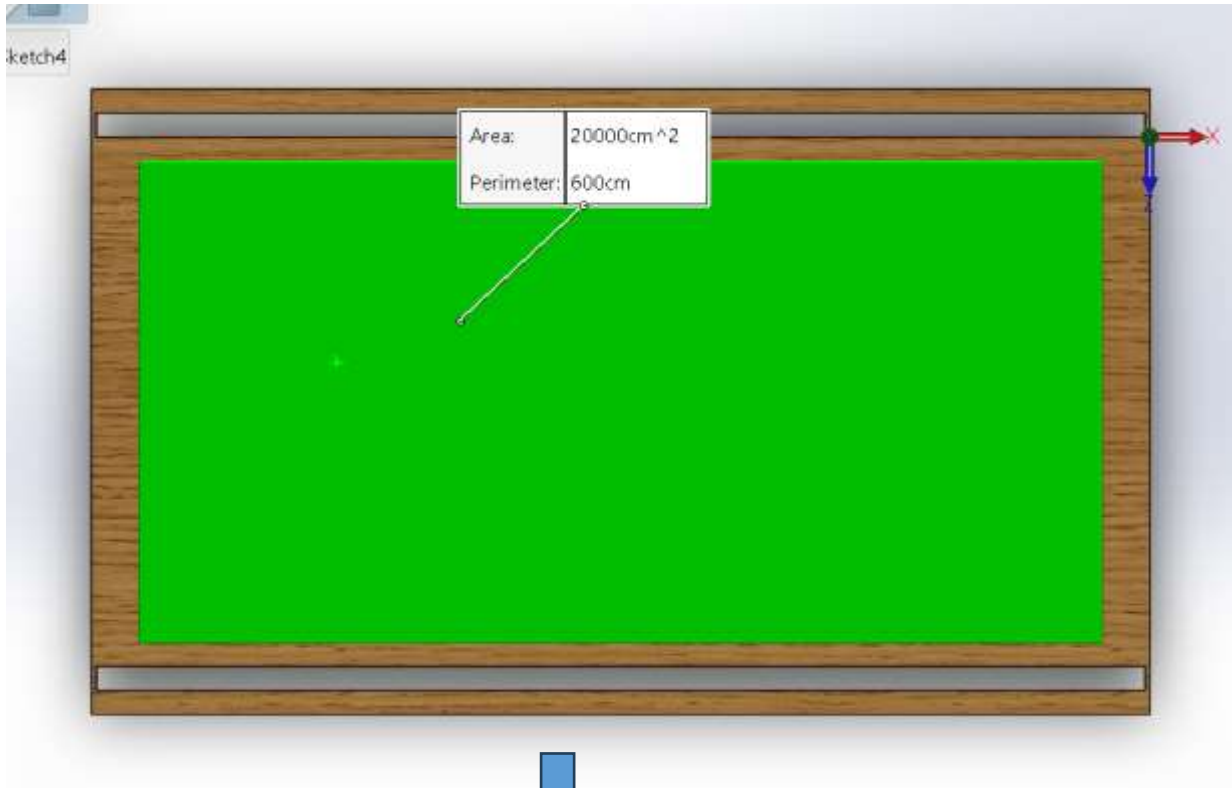


This is the wheel attached with the vertical frame for horizontal movement of wiper assembly.

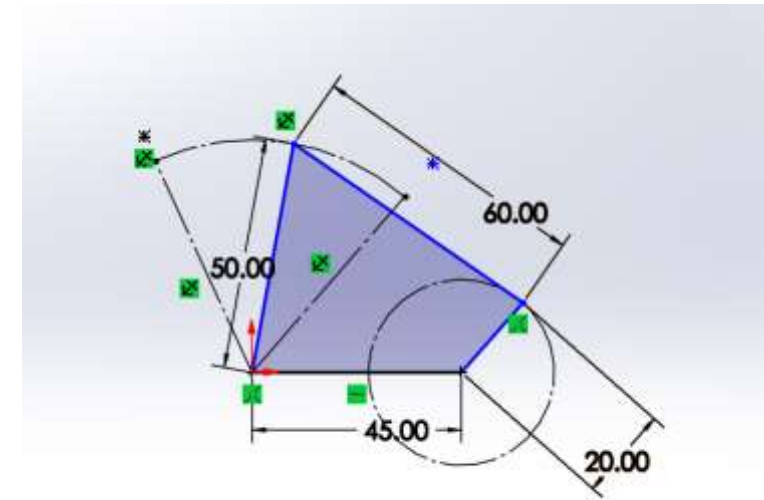
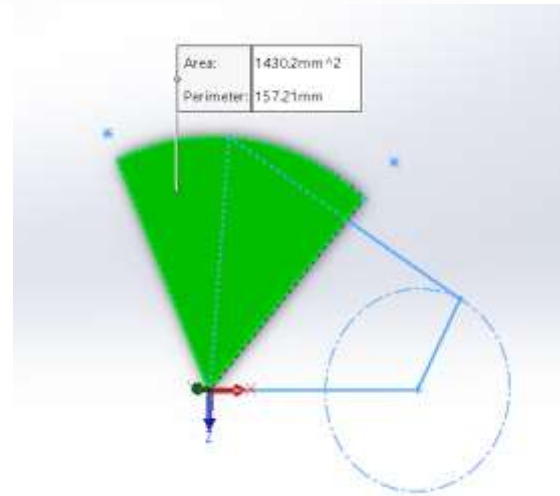


This is the wheel attached with Quad- wheel base platform for vertical cleaning.





Area of board where  
cleaning will be done.

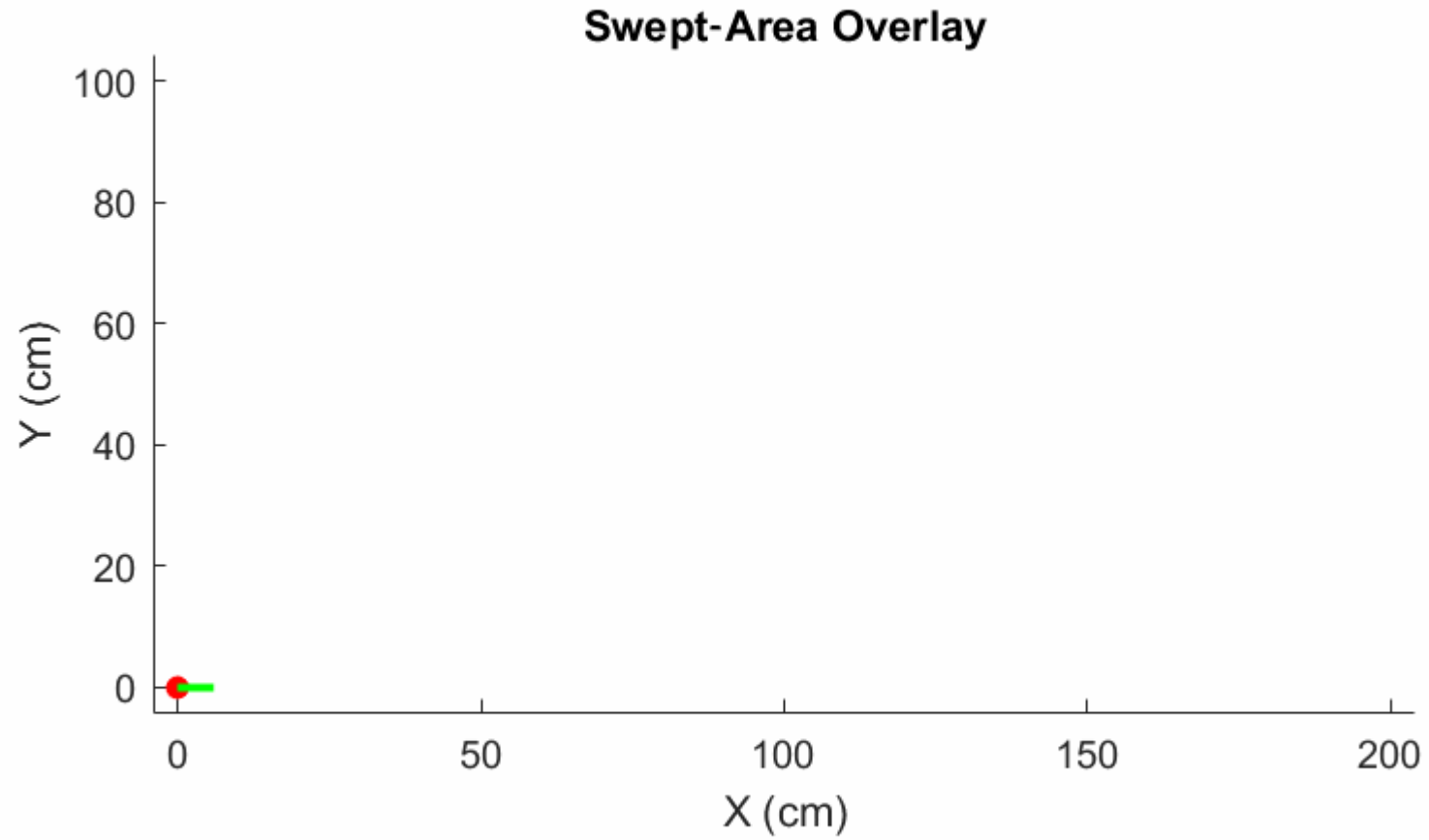


Schematic representation of four-  
bar mechanism on which rocker  
which is 50 mm in length oscillates  
in the range specified by black lines



Area cleaned in one  
revolution of crank

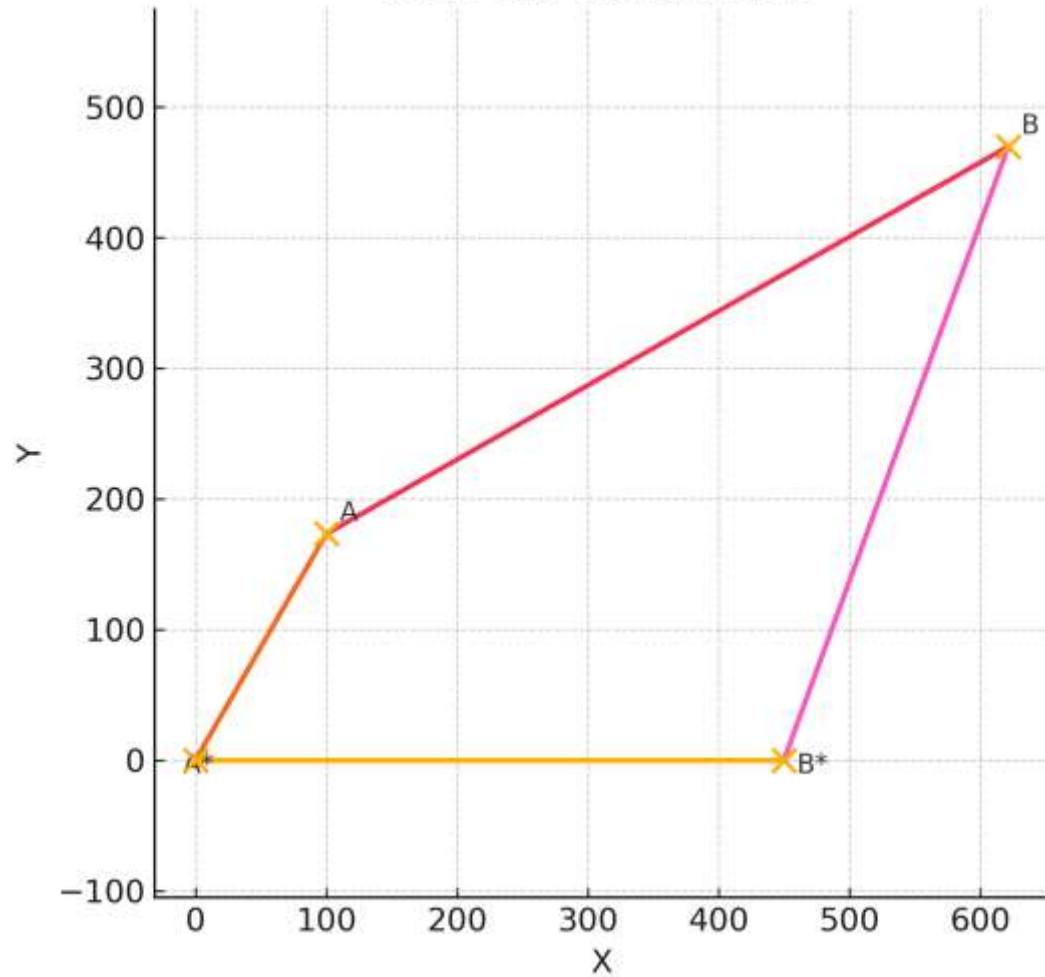
# Motion Analysis / Study



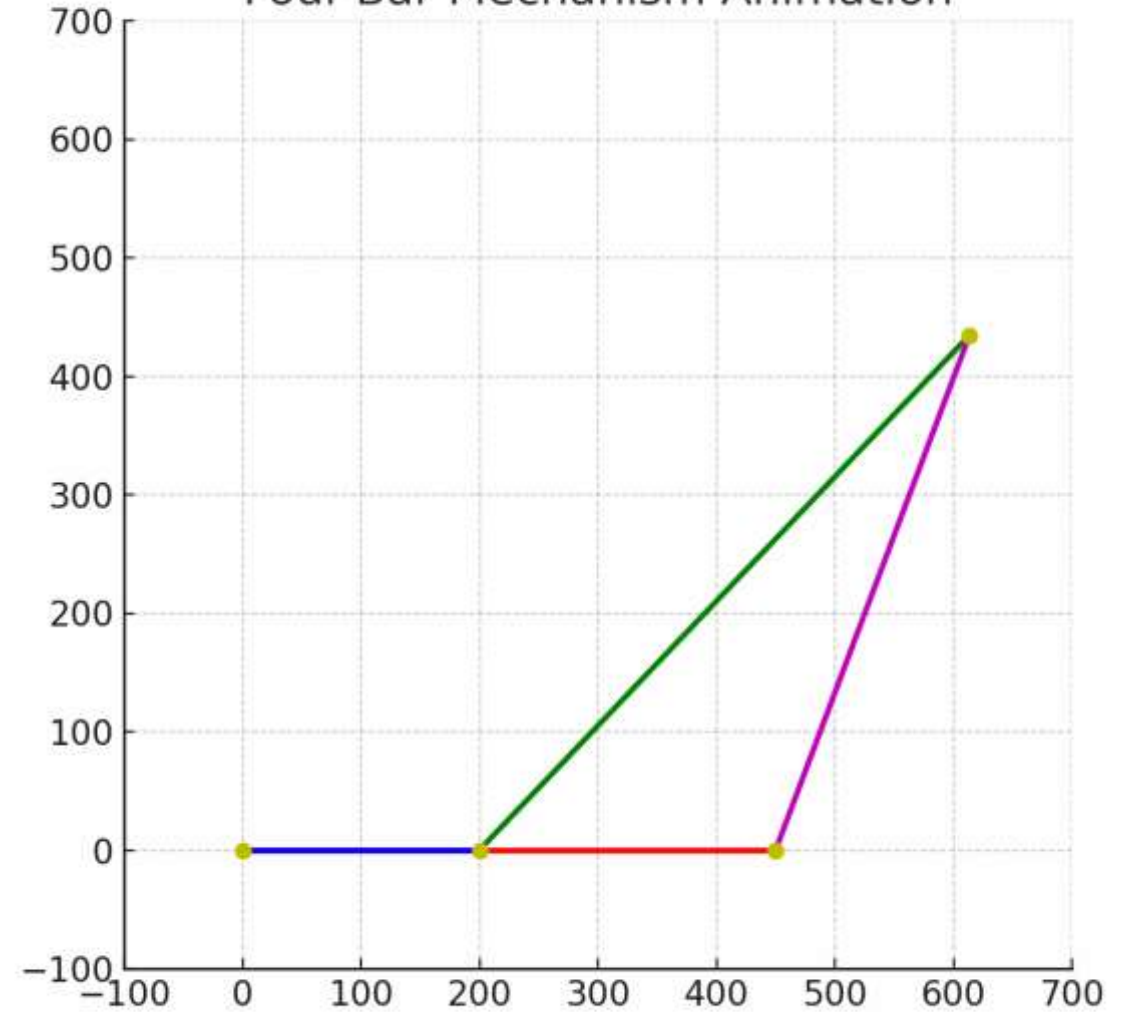


# Motion Analysis / Study

Four-Bar Mechanism



Four-Bar Mechanism Animation



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1  clc
2  clear all
3
4
5  %%Position Analysis%%
6  syms theta_3 theta_4
7
8  %input
9  l1 = 450;
10 l2 = 200;
11 l3 = 600;
12 l4 = 500;
13 theta_2 = 60;
14 theta_1 = 0;
15
16 %initial solution
17 angle_3=20;
18 angle_4=70;
19 iter=0;
20 sol = [angle_3;angle_4];
21
22 % using the Newton-Raphson method
23 %  $X_{n+1} = X_n - f(X_n)/f'(X_n)$  ;  $f'(X_n) \cdot (dx/dX) = -f(X_n)$ 
24
25 %while loop
26 while iter < 1000
27     f = [(-l1*cosd(theta_1) + l2*cosd(theta_2) + l3*cosd(sol(1)) - l4*cosd(sol(2)));
28         (-l1*sind(theta_1) + l2*sind(theta_2) + l3*sind(sol(1)) - l4*sind(sol(2)))];
29     df = [-l3*cosd(sol(1)), l4*sind(sol(2));
30          l3*cosd(sol(1)), -l4*cosd(sol(2))];
31     sol = sol - (df\f);
32     iter = iter + 1;

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73 % Set axis properties
74 axis equal;
75 grid on;
76 xlabel('X');
77 ylabel('Y');
78 title('Four-Bar Mechanism');
79 legend('Link 1 (Ground)', 'Link 2', 'Link 3', 'Link 4', 'Joints');
80
81 % Display results
82 fprintf('Converged in %d iterations\n', iter);
83 fprintf('theta_3 = %.2f degrees\n', theta_3);
84 fprintf('theta_4 = %.2f degrees\n', theta_4);
85
86 %%velocity analysis%%
87 w2= 10; % in rad/s
88
89 % position vector
90 r1 = [l1*cosd(theta_1) l1*sind(theta_1)]./1000;
91 r2 = [l2*cosd(theta_2) l2*sind(theta_2) 0]./1000;
92 r3 = [l3*cosd(theta_3) l3*sind(theta_3) 0]./1000;
93 r4 = [l4*cosd(theta_4) l4*sind(theta_4) 0]./1000;
94
95 k=[0 0 1];
96
97 v_A = w2*cross(k,r2);
98

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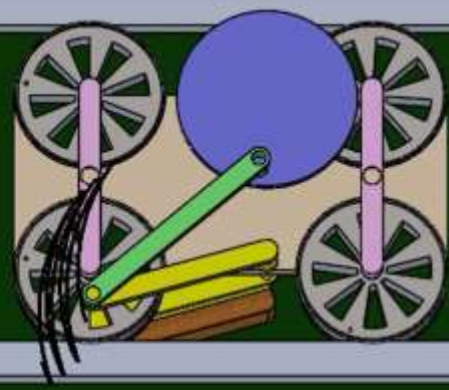
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36
37 end
38
39 %solution
40 theta_3=sol(1);
41 theta_4 = sol(2);
42
43 %plotting the four bar mechanism
44
45 %calculating coordinates of points
46 A_star_x = 0;
47 A_star_y = 0;
48 B_star_x = l1*cosd(theta_1);
49 B_star_y = l1*sind(theta_1);
50 A_x = l2*cosd(theta_2);
51 A_y = l2*sind(theta_2);
52 B_x = A_x + l3*cosd(theta_3);
53 B_y = A_y + l3*sind(theta_3);
54
55 %plot links
56 plot([A_star_x,B_star_x],[A_star_y,B_star_y], 'r-','linewidth',2); %link 1 (ground)
57 hold on;
58 plot([A_star_x,A_x],[A_star_y,A_y], 'b-','linewidth',2);
59 plot([A_x,B_x],[A_y,B_y], 'g-','linewidth',2);
60

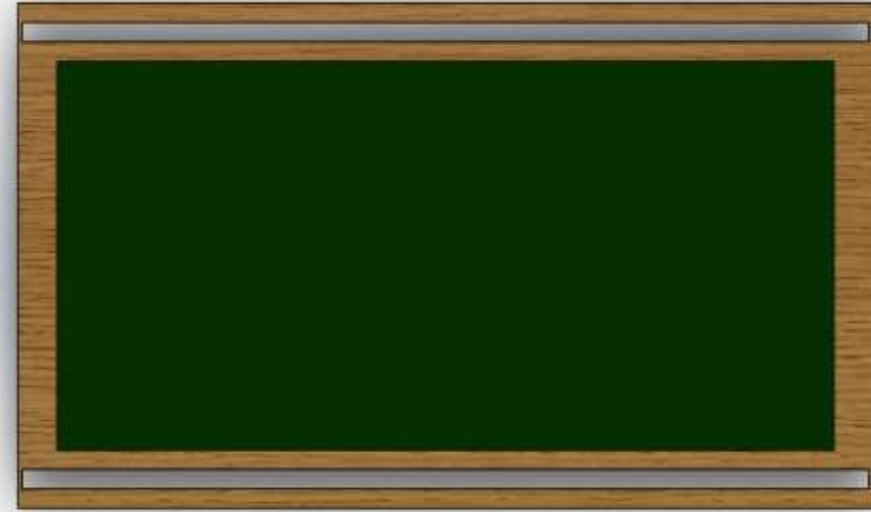
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100
101 eqn_vel = v_B1 - v_B2 == 0;
102 s = solve(eqn_vel,[w3,w4]);
103
104 w3 = double(s.w3);
105 w4 = double(s.w4);
106
107 v_B = double(subs(v_B2,w4));
108 vel_mag_B = norm(v_B,2);
109
110 %% Acceleration analysis%%
111 alpha_2 = 0; % in rad/s^2
112
113 a_A = (alpha_2*cross(k,r2)) - ((w2)^2)*r2;
114 acc_mag_A = double(norm(a_A,2)); % magnitude of acceleration of A
115
116 syms alpha_3 alpha_4
117
118 a_B1 = a_A + (alpha_3*cross(k,r3)) - ((w3)^2)*r3;
119 a_B2 = (alpha_4*cross(k,r4));
120
121 eqn_acc = a_B1 - a_B2 == 0;
122 R = solve(eqn_acc,[alpha_3,alpha_4]);
123
124 alpha_3 = double(R.alpha_3);
125 alpha_4 = double(R.alpha_4);
126
127 a_B = double(subs(a_B2,alpha_4));
128 acc_mag_B = double(norm(a_B,2));
129

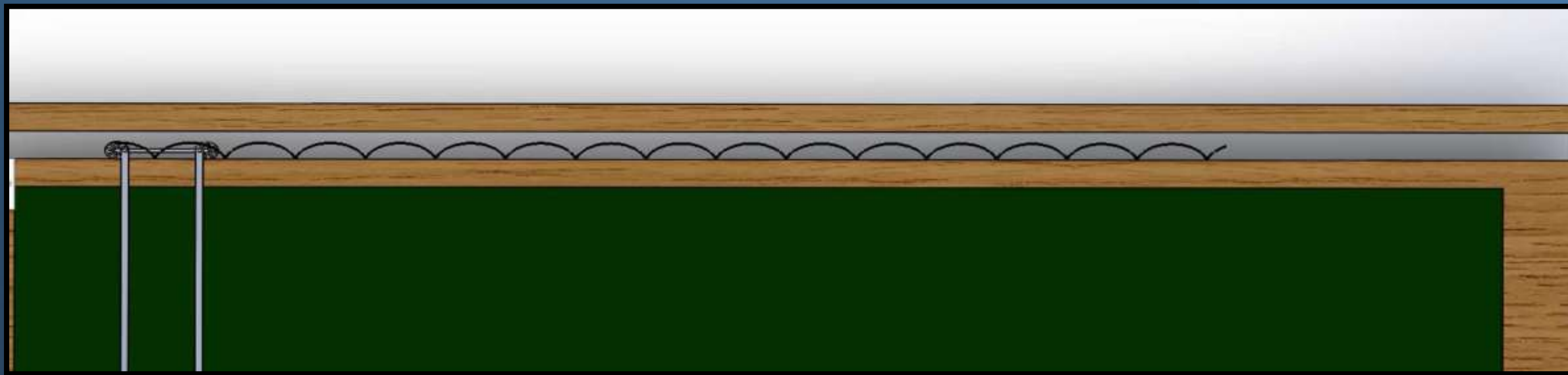
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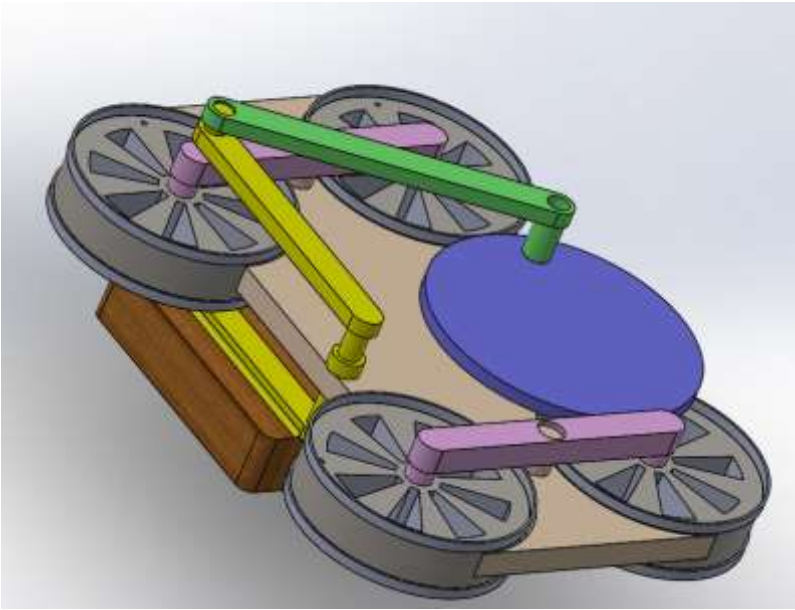




Vertical rectangular frame will run on the board (animation in next slide).







Duster attached with four-bar mechanism is fixed to the Quad-wheel platform, that will run on the tracks between the vertical rectangular frame (animation on next slide.)



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# **Conclusions**

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- Efficient, cost-effective solution to a common classroom problem.
- Reduces manual effort and exposure to chalk dust.
- Can be scaled to large boards or touch screens.
- Future Scope:
  - ❑ Dust collection system.
  - ❑ App or voice-based control.
  - ❑ Solar-powered version for rural use.

# Thank You

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