

This is currently a work in progress.  
Constructive comments and feedback welcome.

## **Calculate MPMD nozzle displacement for bed switch activation**

Objective is to determine explicit function for the required nozzle z displacement to activate bed switch based on given nozzle x and y location. Goal is to have reliable compact solution to integrate into firmware for accurate onboard bed probe data.

Free body diagram for the bed will be constructed with upward forces located at each bed switch and downward force applied by nozzle. Goal is to have forces placed at bed switch location will be a function of z displacement so that a downward reaction force is very weak and upward motion reaction force is very strong (consistent with bed clip acting as a much much firmer spring than the bed switch). For simplicity bed clip reaction force will be applied at the bed switch location.

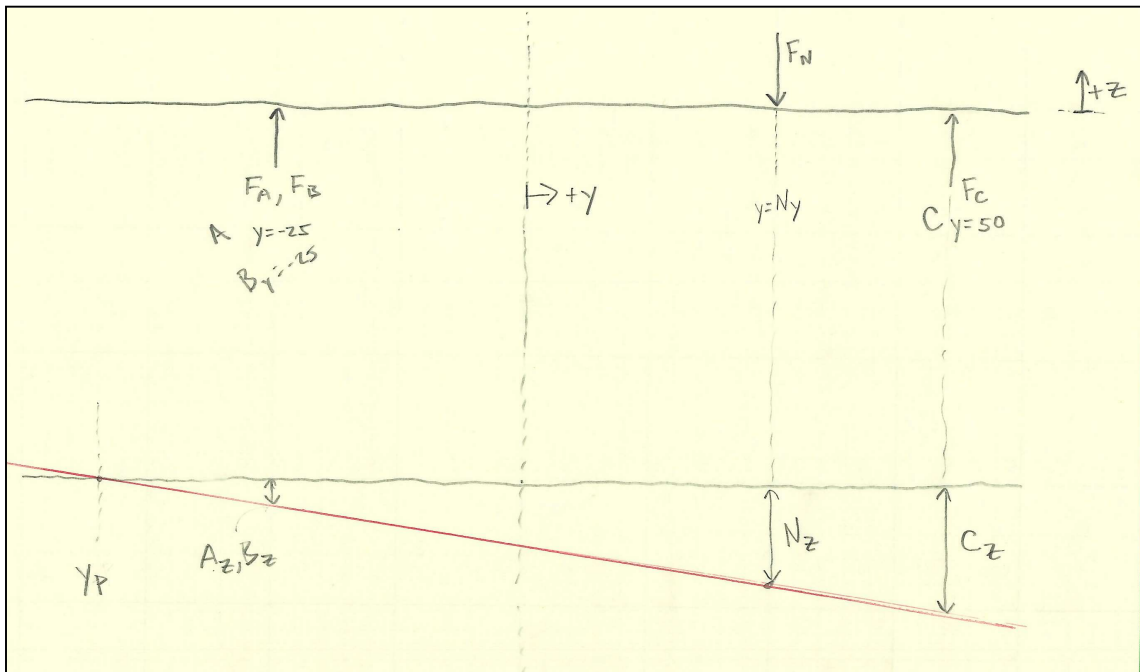
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→ set_draw_defaults(  
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);
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### **1 Tower Axis Case:**

Start analysis by looking at case were nozzle is in line with one of the tower axis. This case has symmetric arrangement of bed switches about the given axis. This allows problem to be evaluated in 2 dimensions.  $y_p$  is the  $y$  co-ordinate in which the bed pivots about. It is undefined at  $y=0$  as the bed is assumed to depress parallel.

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Figure 1:



Similar triangles are used to relate the  $z$  displacement of bed switches and nozzle.

$$(\%i55) K = (y_p - A_y) / A_z; K = (y_p - B_y) / B_z; K = (y_p - N_y) / N_z; K = (y_p - C_y) / C_z;$$

$$(\%o52) K = \frac{y_p - A_y}{A_z}$$

$$(\%o53) K = \frac{y_p - B_y}{B_z}$$

$$(\%o54) K = \frac{y_p - N_y}{N_z}$$

$$(\%o55) K = \frac{y_p - C_y}{C_z}$$

Equations from free body diagram.  
 Eqn1 sum of forces in vertical direction.  
 Eqn2 sum of moments about N<sub>y</sub>.  
 Eqn3 sum of moments about C<sub>y</sub> bed switch.  
 Eqn4 sum of moments about A<sub>y</sub> bed switch. F<sub>a</sub>  
 and F<sub>b</sub> are equal.

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(%i5) Eqn1:2 * F_a + F_c = F_n;
Eqn2:2 * F_a * (N_y - A_y) = F_c * (C_y - N_y);
Eqn3:2 * F_a * (C_y - A_y) = F_n * (C_y - N_y);
Eqn4:F_n * (N_y - A_y) = F_c * (C_y - A_y);
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(%o2) F_c + 2 F_a = F_n
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(%o3) 2 F_a (N_y - A_y) = F_c (C_y - N_y)
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(%o4) 2 (C_y - A_y) F_a = F_n (C_y - N_y)
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(%o5) F_n (N_y - A_y) = (C_y - A_y) F_c
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Solve Eqn3 for F<sub>n</sub> and substitute into Eqn4

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(%i8) solve(Eqn3, F_n);
subst(rhs(%[1]), F_n, Eqn4);
Eqn5:solve(%, F_a)[1];
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(%o6) [F_n = - (2 C_y - 2 A_y) F_a / (N_y - C_y)]
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(%o7) - (2 C_y - 2 A_y) F_a (N_y - A_y) / (N_y - C_y) = (C_y - A_y) F_c
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(%o8) F_a = - (F_c N_y - C_y F_c) / (2 N_y - 2 A_y)
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Super simple force model. F(x)=-x is used for now. TODO make this piecewise -x; x<=0 & -100x x>0. Bed clip force much stiffer than bed switch force.

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(%i57) subst(-C_z, F_c, Eqn5);
Eqn6:subst(-A_z, F_a, %);
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(%o56) F_a = - (C_y C_z - C_z N_y) / (2 N_y - 2 A_y)
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(%o57) -A_z = - (C_y C_z - C_z N_y) / (2 N_y - 2 A_y)
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Relate  $A_z$  to  $C_z$  with similar triangle. Solve for  $y_p$  pivot point.

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→ Eqn7:A_z=(y_p-A_y)·C_z/(y_p-C_y);
  subst(rhs(Eqn7),A_z,Eqn6);
  Eqn8:solve(%,y_p)[1];
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$$(\%o11) \quad A_z = \frac{C_z (y_p - A_y)}{y_p - C_y}$$

$$(\%o12) \quad - \frac{C_z (y_p - A_y)}{y_p - C_y} = - \frac{C_y C_z - C_z N_y}{2 N_y - 2 A_y}$$

$$(\%o13) \quad y_p = \frac{(C_y + 2 A_y) N_y - C_y^2 - 2 A_y^2}{3 N_y - C_y - 2 A_y}$$

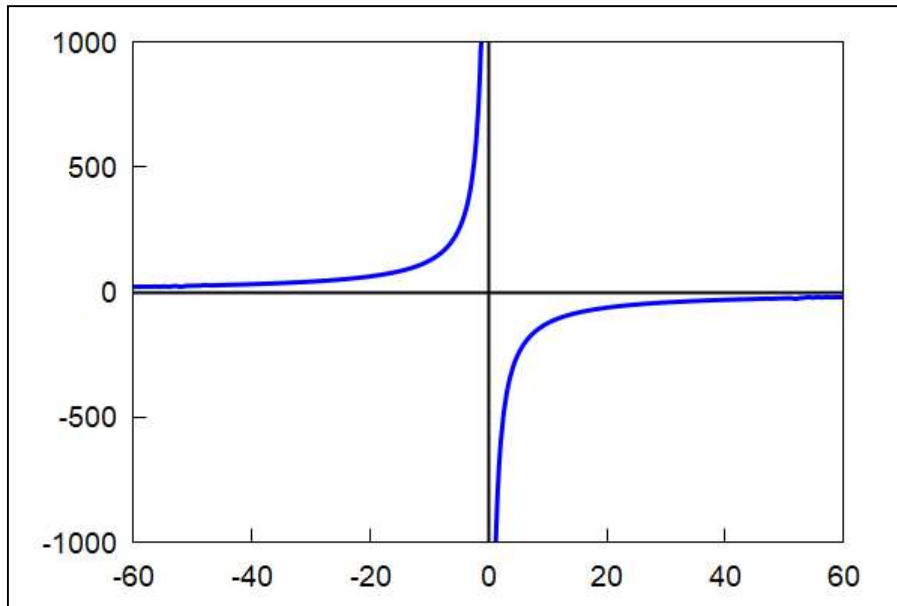
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(%i15) subst(50,C_y,Eqn8);
  Eqn9:subst(-25,A_y,%);
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$$(\%o14) \quad y_p = \frac{(2 A_y + 50) N_y - 2 A_y^2 - 2500}{3 N_y - 2 A_y - 50}$$

$$(\%o15) \quad y_p = - \frac{1250}{N_y}$$

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(%i16) wxdraw2d(
    explicit(
        rhs(Eqn9),
        N_y, -60, 60
    ),
    xrange=[-1000, 1000]
) $
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(%t16)



Above graph of  $y_p$  is as expected. Nozzle in center is undefined. Nozzle near zero moves bed nearly flat representing  $y_p$  way off in distance. This is not dependent on switch travel and valid for positive and negative  $N_y$ .

TODO need to revalidate this conclusion with more complex  $F(x)$  for spring forces.

Substitute force  $F(x)$  into Eqn2 (moments around  $N_y$ )

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(%i59) subst(-C_z, F_c, Eqn2);
Eqn11: subst(-A_z, F_a, %);
(%o58) 2 F_a (N_y - A_y) = -C_z (C_y - N_y)
(%o59) -2 A_z (N_y - A_y) = -C_z (C_y - N_y)
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Relate  $A_z$  to  $N_z$  with similar triangles and subsite equation for  $y_p(N_y)$

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(%i63) Eqn12:A_z=(y_p-A_y)·N_z/(y_p-N_y);
      subst(rhs(Eqn12),A_z,Eqn11);
      subst(-1250/N_y,y_p,%);
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$$(\%o61) \quad A_z = \frac{N_z (y_p - A_y)}{y_p - N_y}$$

$$(\%o62) \quad - \frac{2 (N_y - A_y) N_z (y_p - A_y)}{y_p - N_y} = -C_z (C_y - N_y)$$

$$(\%o63) \quad - \frac{2 \left( -\frac{1250}{N_y} - A_y \right) (N_y - A_y) N_z}{-N_y - \frac{1250}{N_y}} = -C_z (C_y - N_y)$$

Solve for  $N_z$  and then substitute in  $C_y$ ,  $A_y$  &  $C_z=0.5$  (valid for  $N_y > 0$ )

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(%i64) Eqn13:solve(% ,N_z)[1];
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$$(\%o64) \quad N_z = - \frac{C_z N_y^3 - C_y C_z N_y^2 + 1250 C_z N_y - 1250 C_y C_z}{2 A_y N_y^2 + (2500 - 2 A_y^2) N_y - 2500 A_y}$$

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(%i67) subst(50,C_y,Eqn13);
      subst(-25,A_y,%);
      Eqn14:subst(-.5,C_z,%);
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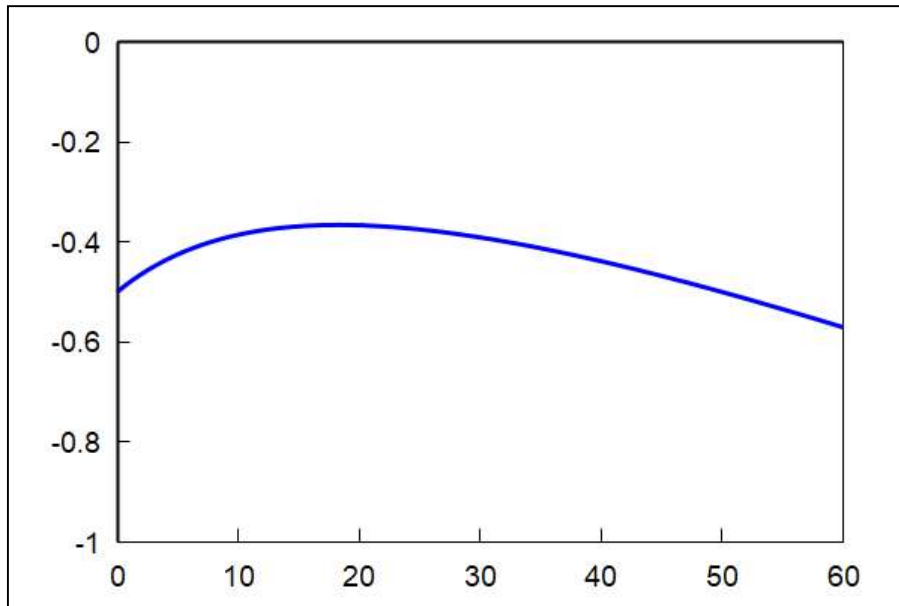
$$(\%o65) \quad N_z = - \frac{C_z N_y^3 - 50 C_z N_y^2 + 1250 C_z N_y - 62500 C_z}{2 A_y N_y^2 + (2500 - 2 A_y^2) N_y - 2500 A_y}$$

$$(\%o66) \quad N_z = - \frac{C_z N_y^3 - 50 C_z N_y^2 + 1250 C_z N_y - 62500 C_z}{-50 N_y^2 + 1250 N_y + 62500}$$

$$(\%o67) \quad N_z = - \frac{-0.5 N_y^3 + 25.0 N_y^2 - 625.0 N_y + 31250.0}{-50 N_y^2 + 1250 N_y + 62500}$$

Note that  $C_z$  could be factored out so profile is scaled relative to the SWITCH\_TRAVLE adjustment.

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(%i68) wxdraw2d(
    explicit(
        rhs(Eqn14),
        N_y, 0, 60
    ),
    xrange=[-1, 0]
);
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(%t68)

(%o68)

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Need to repeat for  $N_y < 0$

Relate  $A_c$  to  $N_z$  with similar triangles and substitute equation for  $y_p(N_y)$

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(%i71) Eqn15: C_z = (y_p - C_y) * N_z / (y_p - N_y);
subst(rhs(Eqn15), C_z, Eqn11);
subst(-1250/N_y, y_p, %);
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(%o69) 
$$C_z = \frac{N_z (y_p - C_y)}{y_p - N_y}$$

(%o70) 
$$-2 A_z (N_y - A_y) = - \frac{(C_y - N_y) N_z (y_p - C_y)}{y_p - N_y}$$

(%o71) 
$$-2 A_z (N_y - A_y) = - \frac{\left(-\frac{1250}{N_y} - C_y\right) (C_y - N_y) N_z}{-N_y - \frac{1250}{N_y}}$$

Solve for  $N_z$  and substitute constants, this time  $A_z = \text{SWITCH\_TRAVEL}$

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(%i72) Eqn16:solve(%,N_z)[1];
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$$(\%o72) \quad N_z = - \frac{2 A_z N_y^3 - 2 A_y A_z N_y^2 + 2500 A_z N_y - 2500 A_y A_z}{C_y N_y^2 + (1250 - C_y^2) N_y - 1250 C_y}$$

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(%i75) subst(50,C_y,Eqn16);
subst(-25,A_y,%);
Eqn17:subst(-.5,A_z,%);
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$$(\%o73) \quad N_z = - \frac{2 A_z N_y^3 - 2 A_y A_z N_y^2 + 2500 A_z N_y - 2500 A_y A_z}{50 N_y^2 - 1250 N_y - 62500}$$

$$(\%o74) \quad N_z = - \frac{2 A_z N_y^3 + 50 A_z N_y^2 + 2500 A_z N_y + 62500 A_z}{50 N_y^2 - 1250 N_y - 62500}$$

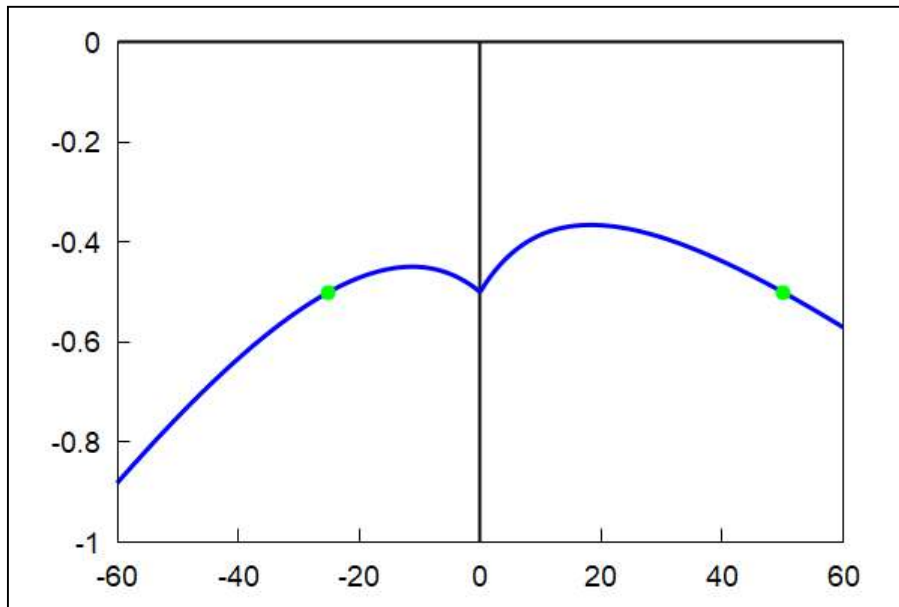
$$(\%o75) \quad N_z = - \frac{-1.0 N_y^3 - 25.0 N_y^2 - 1250.0 N_y - 31250.0}{50 N_y^2 - 1250 N_y - 62500}$$

Plot both solutions on same graph



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(%i83) wxdraw2d(
    explicit(
        rhs(Eqn17),
        N_y, -60, 0
    ), explicit(
        rhs(Eqn14),
        N_y, 0, 60
    ),
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    dimensions = [1200, 600],
    color = green,
    point_size = 1.5,
    point_type = filled_circle,
    points([ [-25, -.5], [50, -.5] ])
);
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(%t83)



(%o83)

Review of the different cases seems consistent with expected behavior.  $N_y < -25$  &  $< 50$  is beyond the bed switches so it needs to move lower to account for the tilt of bed.  $N_y = -25, +50$  is equal to SWITCH\_TRAVEL. This makes sense as nozzle is in line with bed switches.  $N_y = 0$ , both equations meet at the expected SWITCH\_TRAVEL location. Between the center and the bed switches the nozzle has to travel less to get the switch to actuate.