

Mechatronics System Design

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Lecture - 9

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Recap...

Refractive - 1

prismatic - 1

universal - 2

Cylindrical - 2

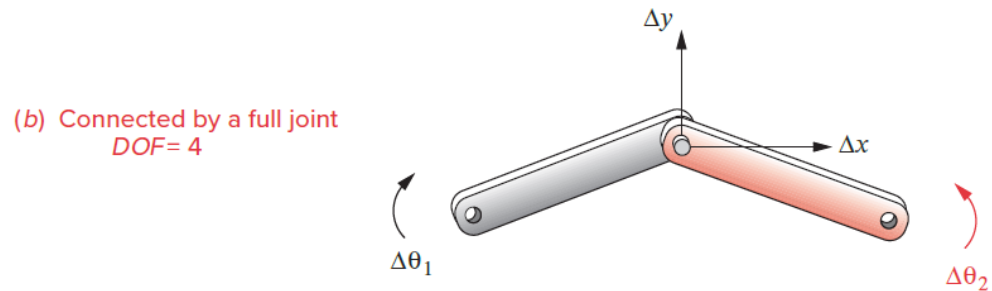
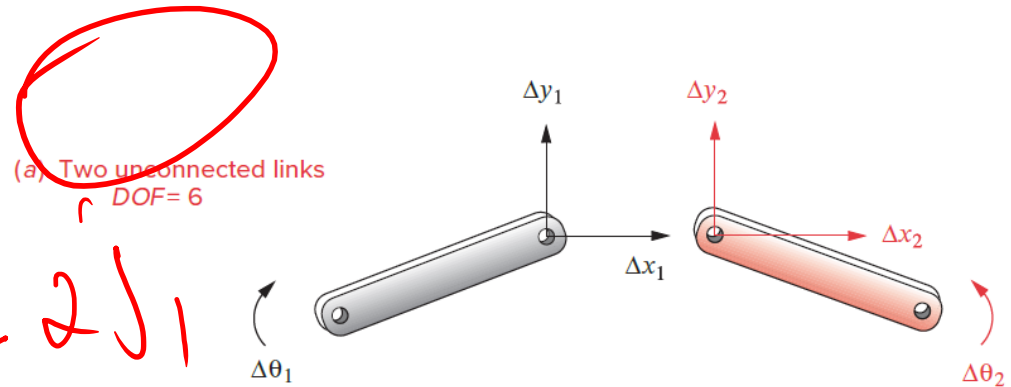
Helical - 2

Spherical - 3

planar - 3

Degree of Freedom in Planar Mechanisms

- ▶ **Gruebler condition:** to investigate the DoF of any assembly of linkages.



$$M = 3(N - 1) - 2J_1$$

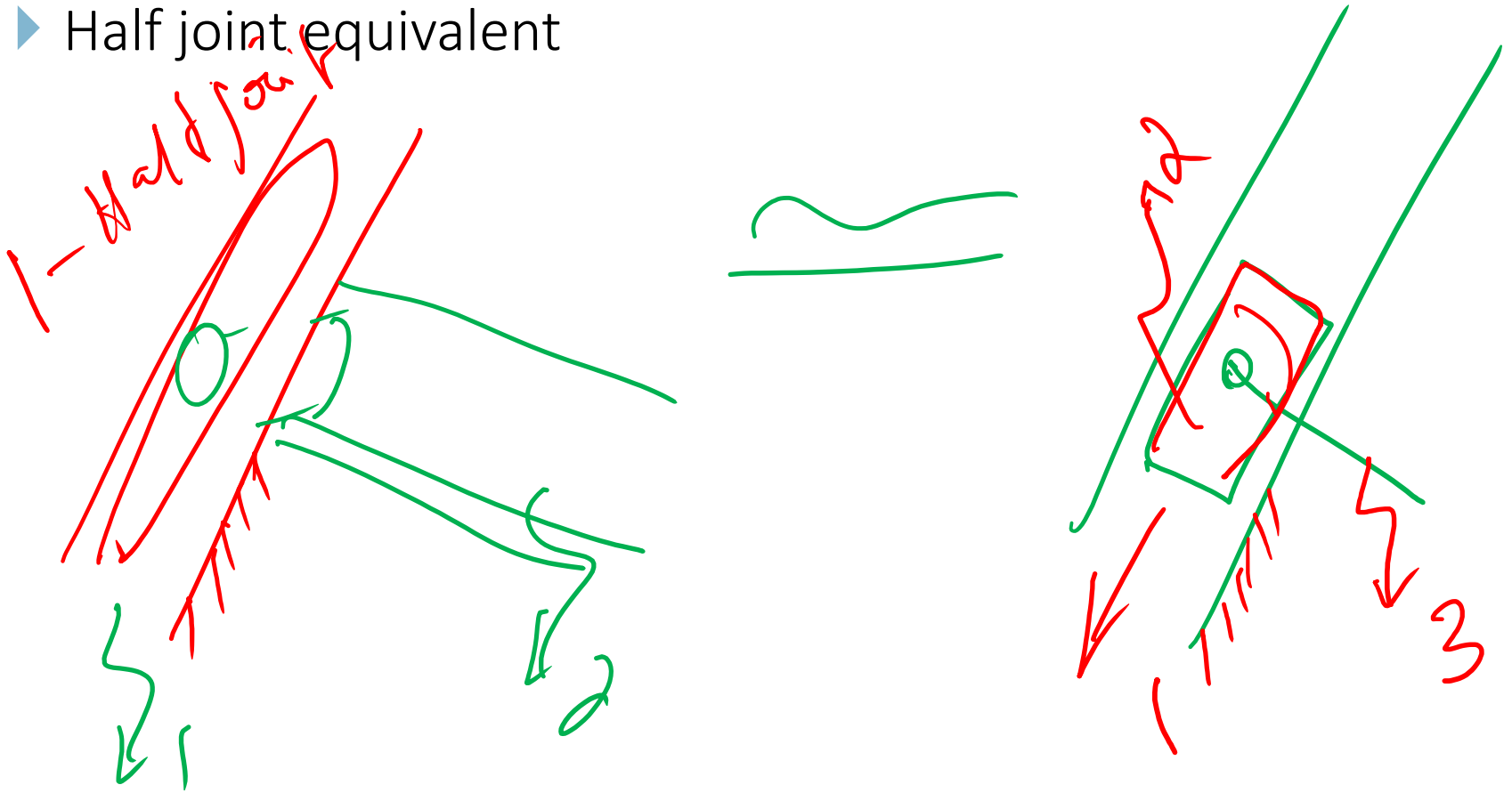
- ▶ Kutzbach's modification of Gruebler's equation is

$$M = 3(N - 1) - 2J_1 - J_2$$

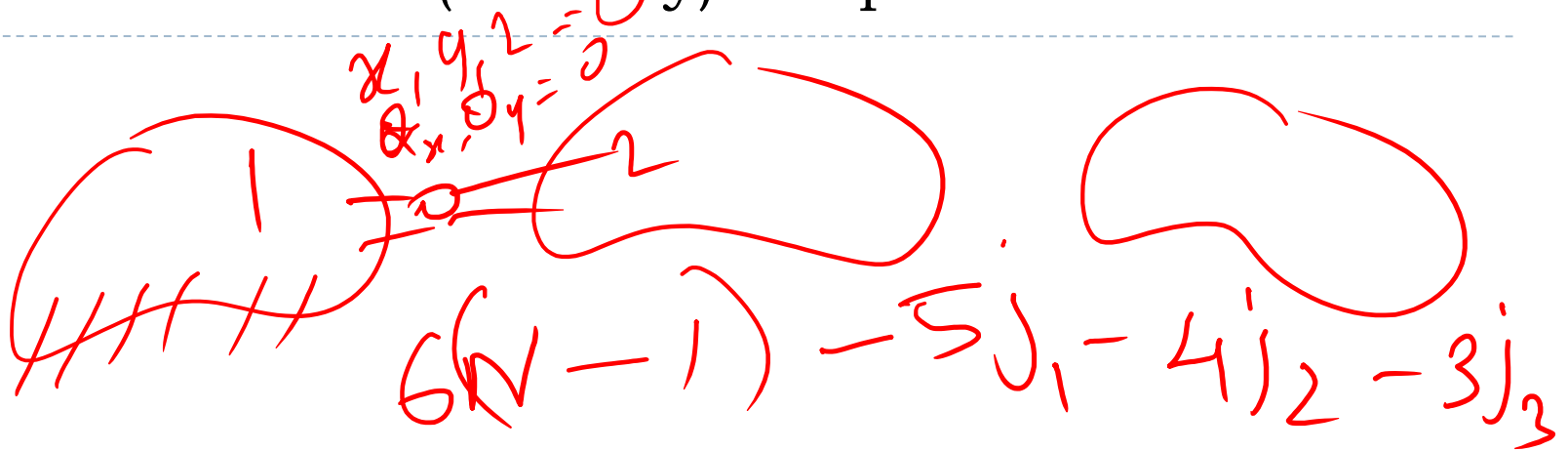
J_1 = no. of 1DOF joints, J_2 = no. of half joints

Degree of Freedom in Planar Mechanisms

- ▶ Half joint equivalent



Degree of Freedom (Mobility) in Spatial Mechanisms



A one-freedom joint removes 5 DOF

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- $7 \text{ no. of joints with DOF}$
- $2J_4 - J_5$
- 2 DOF

The Kutzbach mobility equation for spatial linkages

$$M = 6(N - 1) - 5J_1 - 4J_2 - 3J_3 - 4J_4 - J_5$$

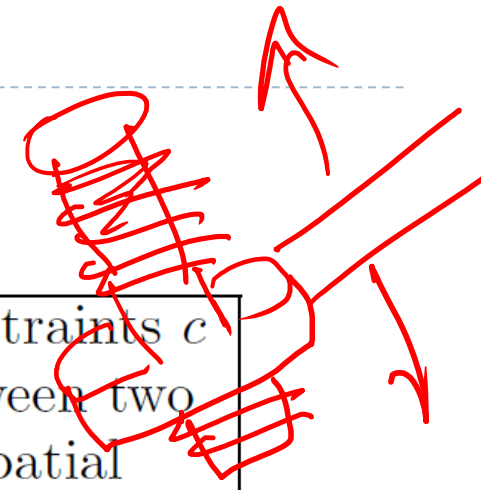
Joints

$3 - 2 = 1$

$x = 0, y = 0$

| Joint type | dof f | Constraints c between two planar rigid bodies | Constraints c between two spatial rigid bodies |
|-----------------|---------|--|---|
| Revolute (R) | 1 | | |
| Prismatic (P) | 1 | | |
| Helical (H) | 1 | | |
| Cylindrical (C) | 2 | | |
| Universal (U) | 2 | | |
| Spherical (S) | 3 | | |

$6 - 4 = 2$



The number of degrees of freedom f and constraints c provided by common joints.

Gruebler's Condition

the number of constraint equations imposed by j joints

$$DoF = K(N - 1) - \sum_{i=1}^j (K - f_i)$$

$$3(N-1) - 2j$$

3 or 6
if planar spatial
↓
if planar

K = No. of parameters required to specify a single link 3 or 6

N = no. of links

j = no. of joints

f_i = is the freedom of the i th joint

$$DoF = K(N - 1 - j) + \sum_{i=1}^j f_i$$

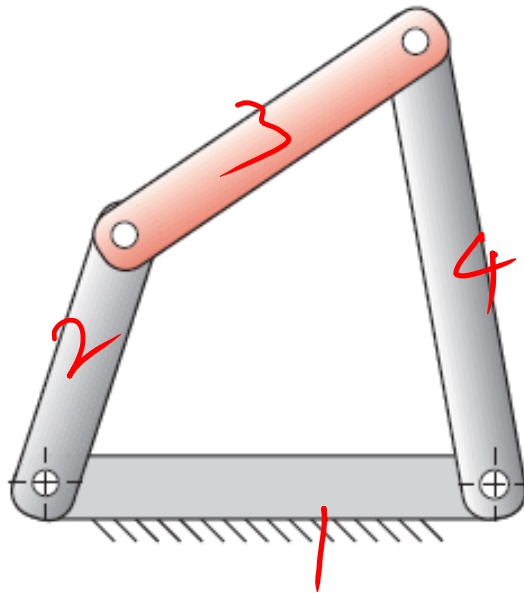
Gruebler's Condition

$$M =$$

$$k = 3$$

$$N = 4$$

$$j = 4$$

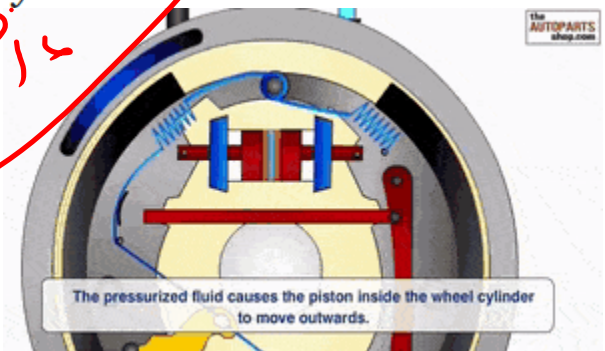
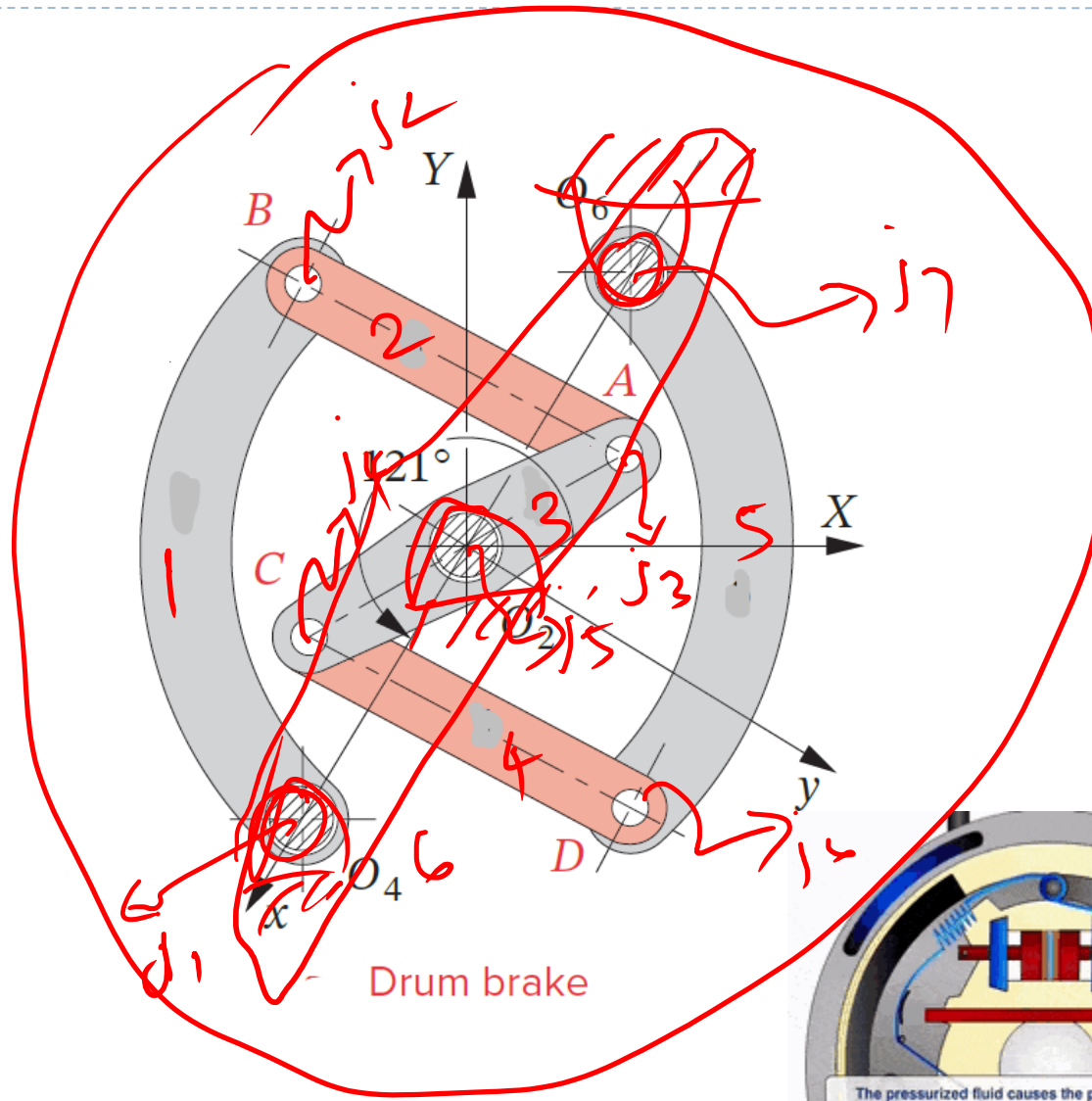


$$M = 1$$

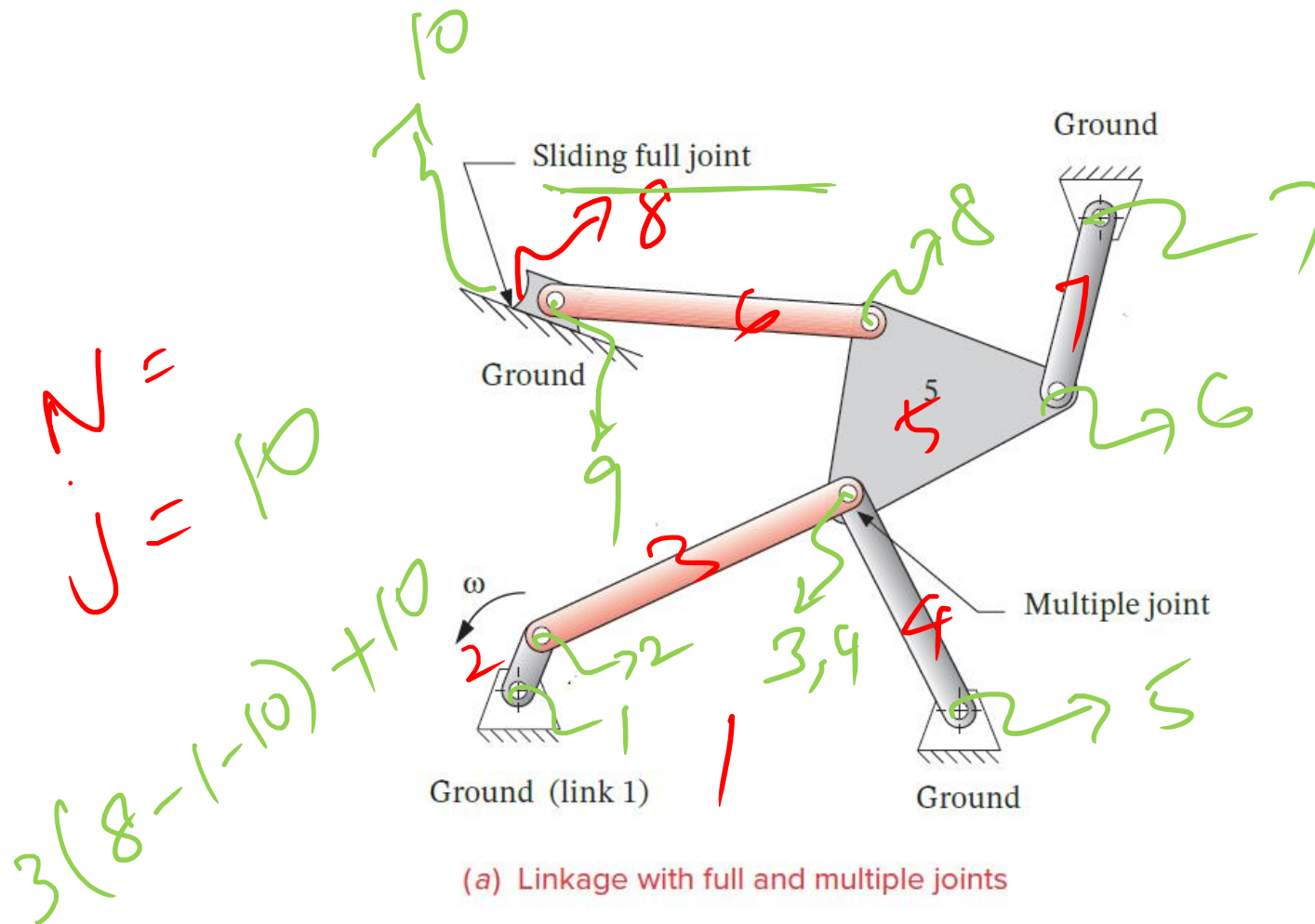
$$= 3(4 - 1 - 4) + 4 = 1$$

Gruebler's Condition

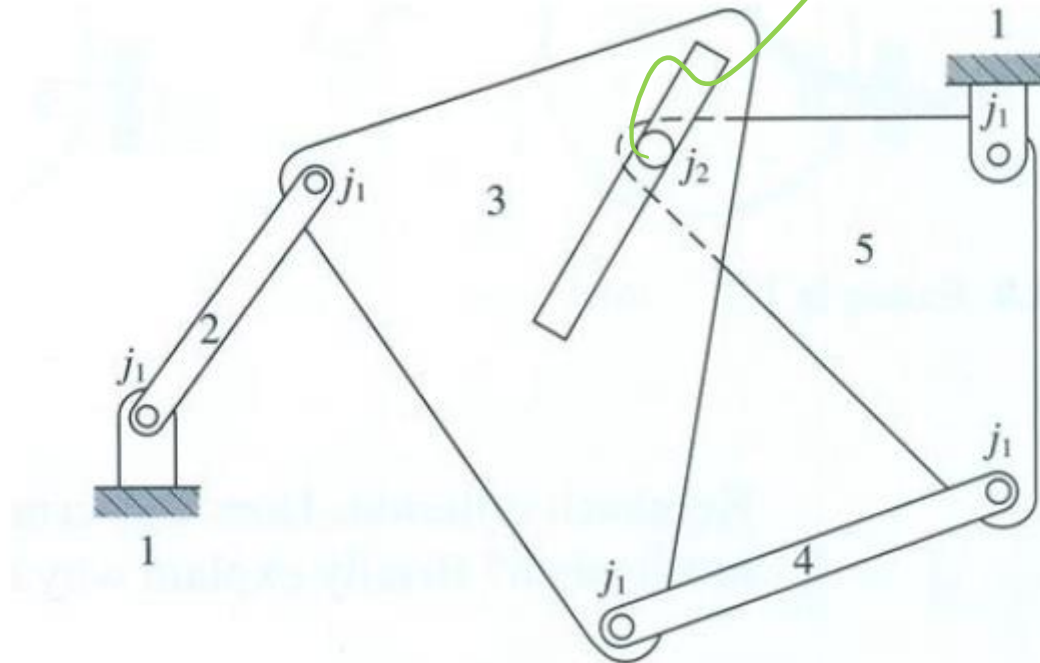
$$K = 3$$
$$N = 6$$



Gruebler's Condition



Gruebler's Condition



~~3 links / 2 j1
+ j2~~

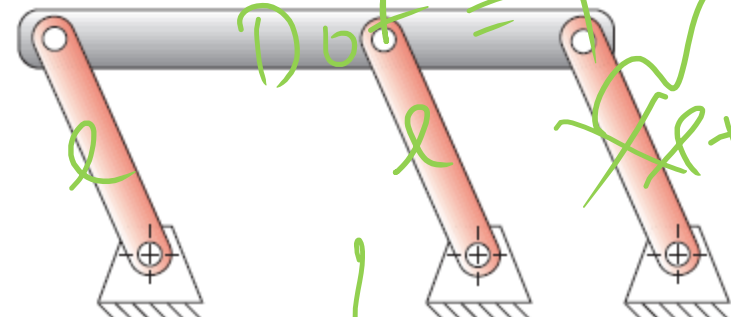
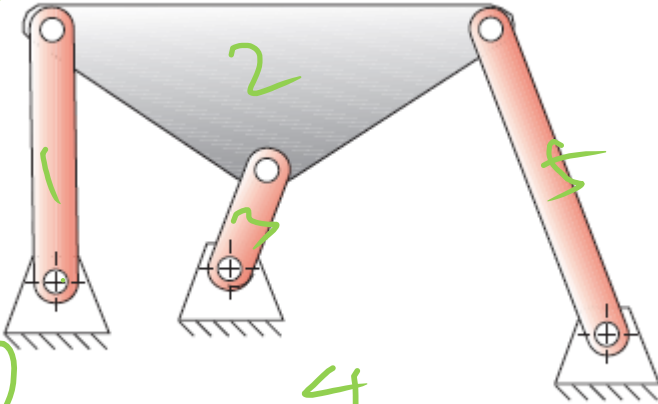
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MECHANISMS AND STRUCTURES

- ▶ If the DOF is positive, it will be a **mechanism**, and the links will have relative motion
- ▶ If the DOF is exactly zero, then it will be a **structure**, and no motion is possible.
- ▶ If the DOF is negative, then it is a **preloaded structure**, which means that no motion is possible and some stresses may also be present at the time of assembly.

Failure of Grubler's Equation

- ▶ Fails when
 - ▶ Special dimensions
 - ▶ Special geometry

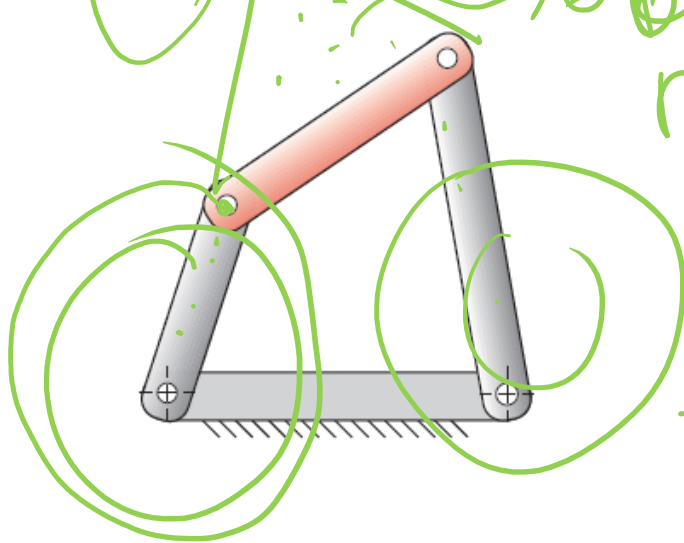


Due to parallelogram configuration, the linkage can move. However, this is an overconstrained linkage with redundant constraint.

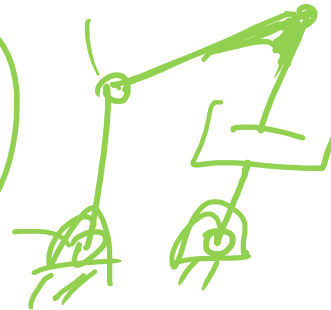
It may jam if there are any manufacturing errors.

Constrained Mechanism

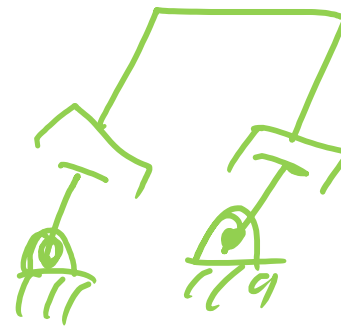
- ▶ A mechanism with exactly 1 DOF
- ▶ The relative motion between any two links remain fixed.



▶ Example 4R



3R1P



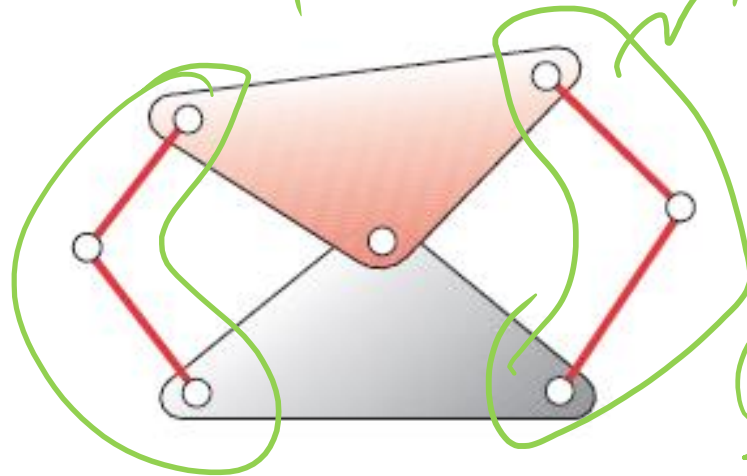
2R2P

RPRP

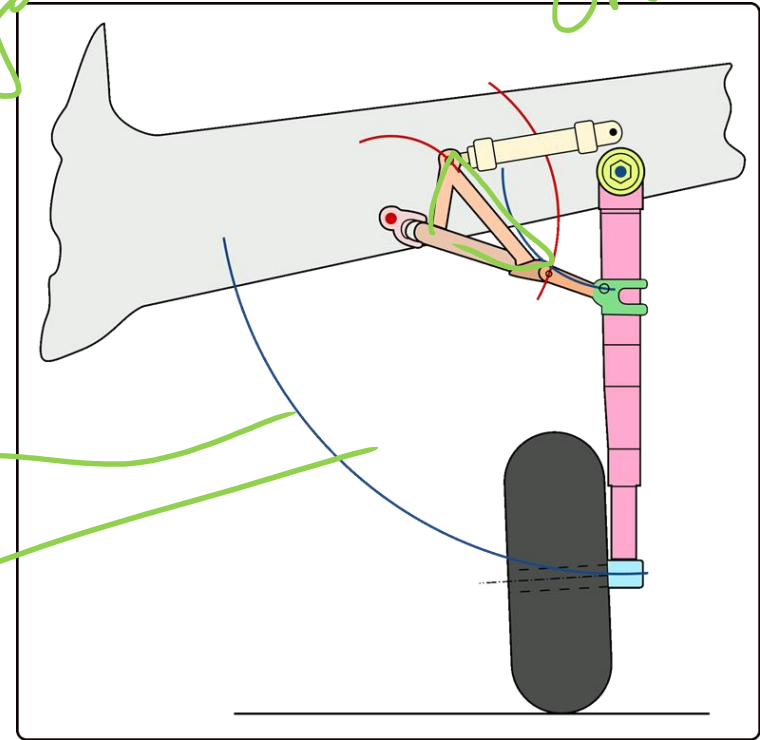


counter
in
6 order
polynomial

Constrained Mechanism



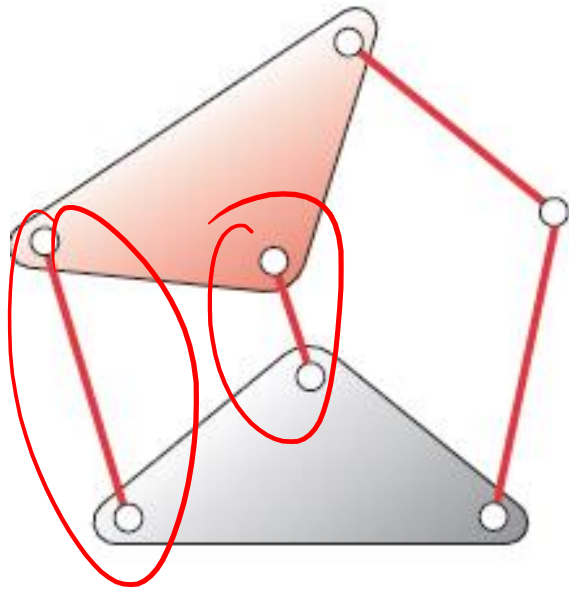
Watt's sixbar isomer



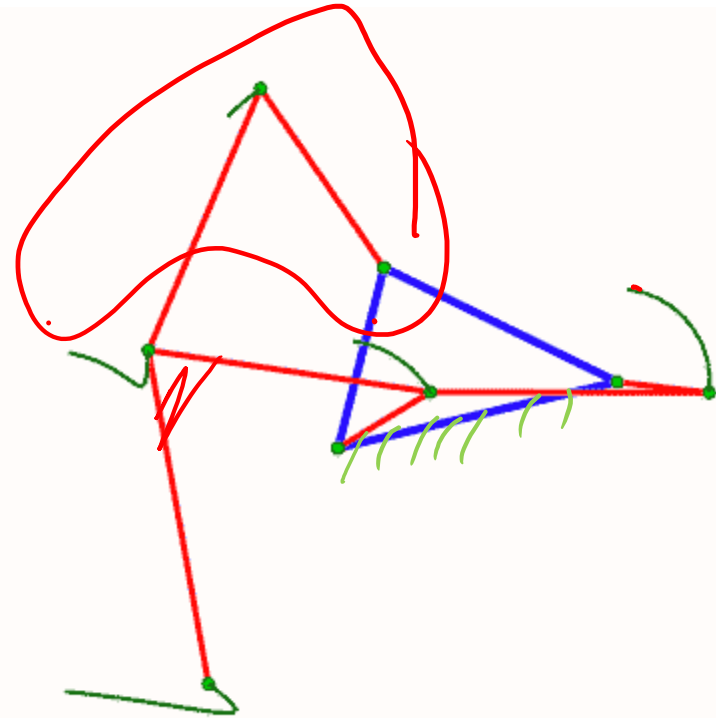
4B - 29 \Rightarrow 2 binary link with one revolute

Constrained Mechanism

$4B - 2$

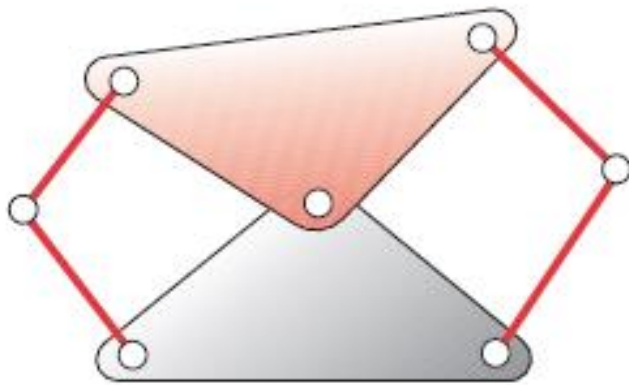


Stephenson's sixbar isomer

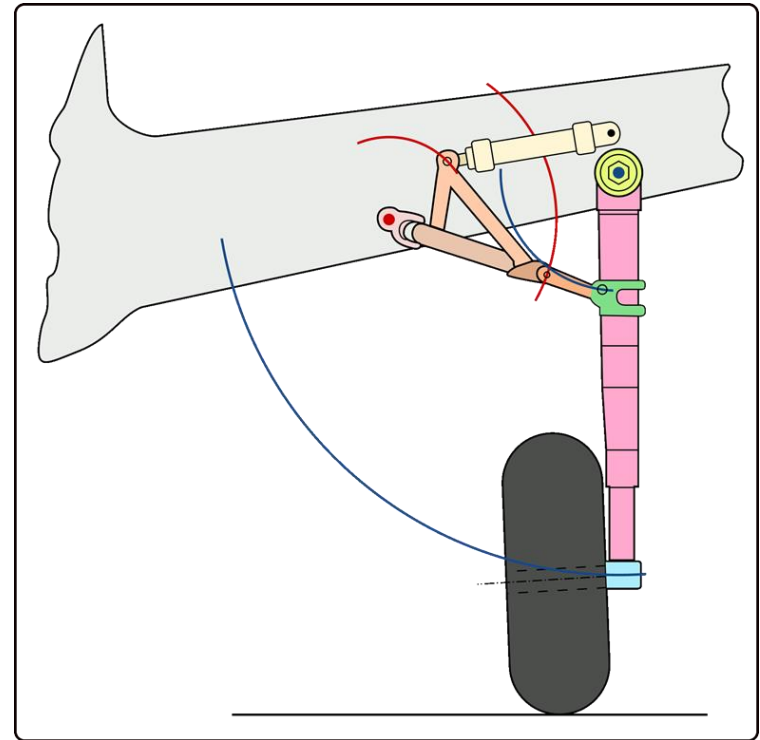


Klann walking mechanism

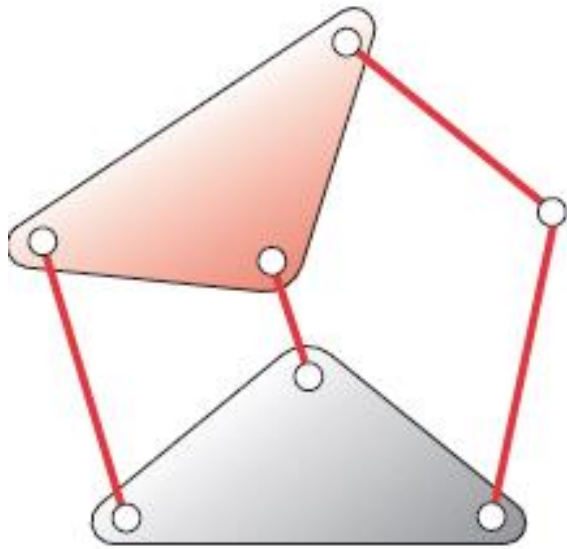
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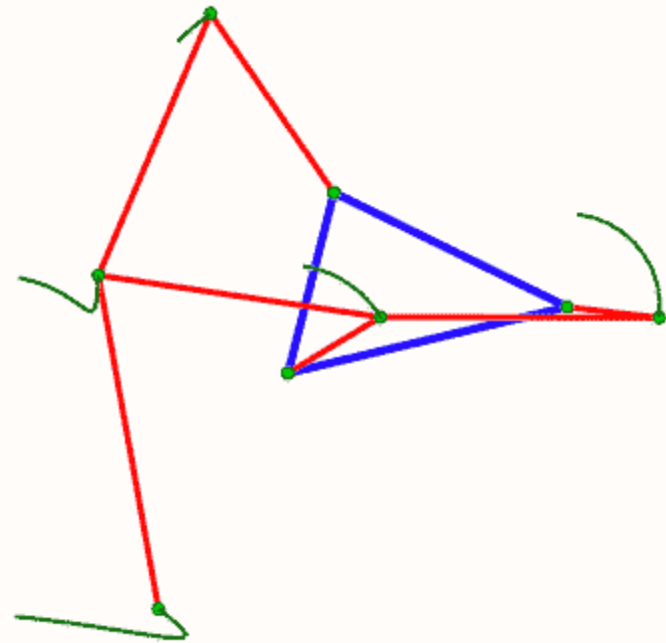
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Constrained Mechanism



Stephenson's sixbar isomer



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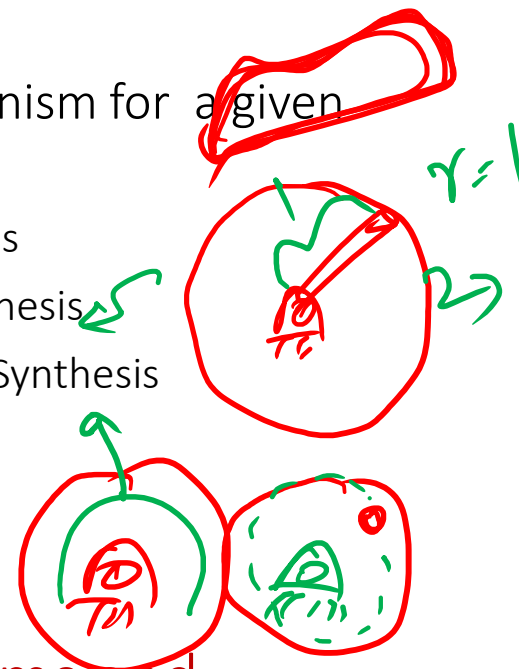
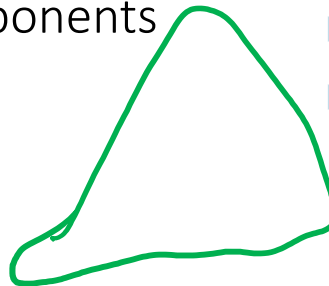
Synthesis and Analysis

Analysis

- ▶ A particular given mechanism is investigated based on the mechanism geometry plus other characteristics (i/p angular velocity, acceleration etc)
- ▶ Given the mechanism, the motion characteristics of its components will be determined.
 - ▶ Displacement analysis
 - ▶ Velocity analysis
 - ▶ Acceleration analysis

Synthesis

- ▶ It is a process of designing a mechanism to accomplish the desired **task**.
- ▶ Creating mechanism for a given motion
 - ▶ Type Synthesis
 - ▶ Number Synthesis
 - ▶ Dimensional Synthesis

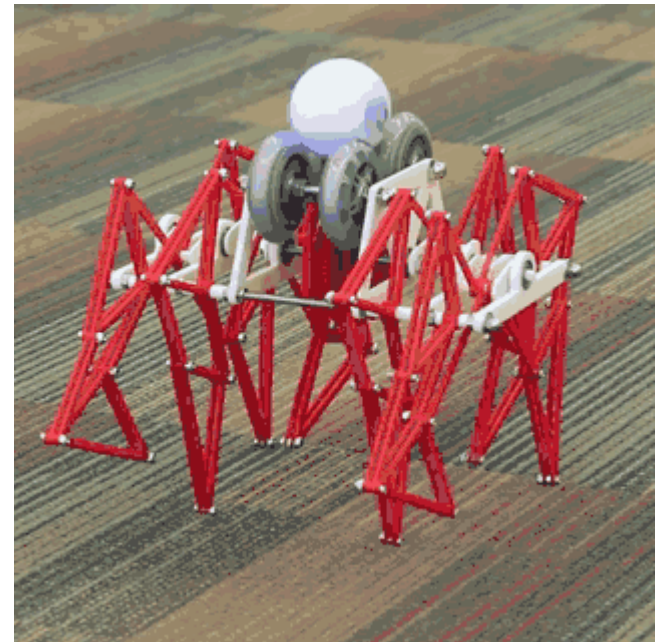
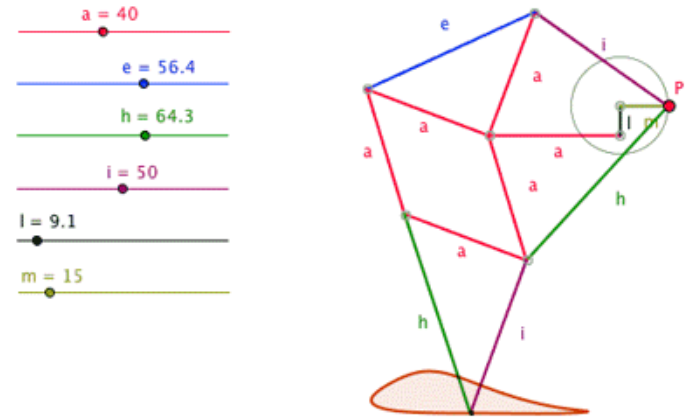


- ▶ The process of drawing **kinematic diagrams** and **determining DOF** of more complex mechanisms are the first steps in both kinematic analysis and synthesis



Mechanism design

- ▶ Mechanism design involves finding a mechanism which carries out a user specified task.
- ▶ The process involves selection of joint types and link dimensions.
- ▶ Example – Eight-bar **Theo-Jansen** linkage enables robotic walking.

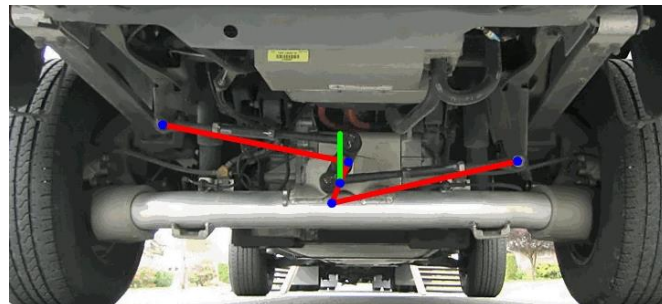
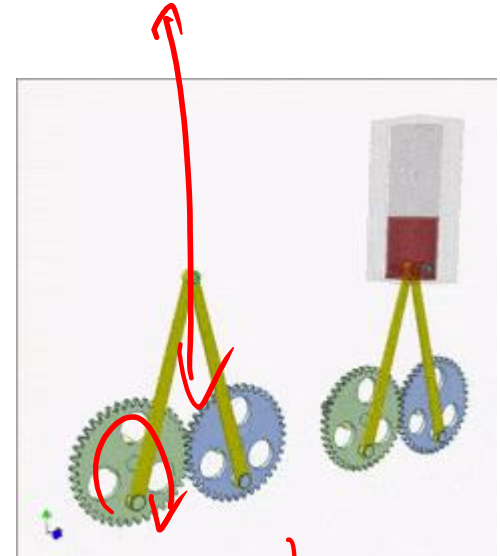
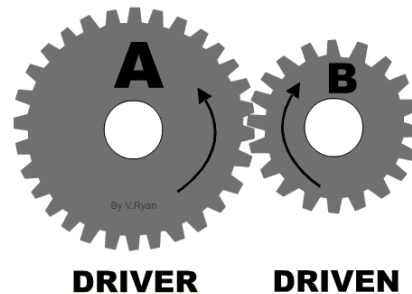
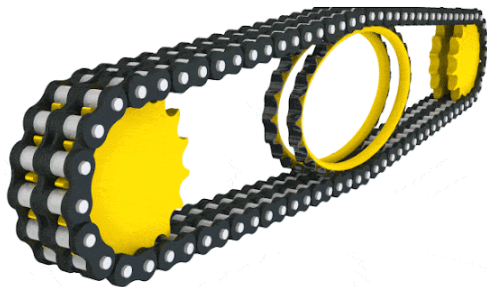
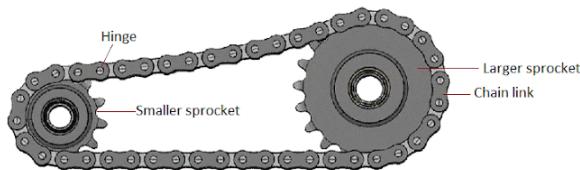


Synthesis

Type Synthesis:

Given a task to be produced by a mechanism, what type of mechanism will be suitable?

- ▶ Linkages
- ▶ Gear trains
- ▶ Belt drives etc



Synthesis

Number synthesis

- ▶ The determination of the number and order of links and joints necessary to produce motion of a particular DOF
- ▶ Link order - refers to the number of nodes per link, i.e., binary, ternary, quaternary, etc.
- ▶ exhaustive determination of all possible combinations of links that will yield any chosen DOF

Number synthesis - Example

- ▶ all the possible link combinations for one DOF, including sets of up to eight links

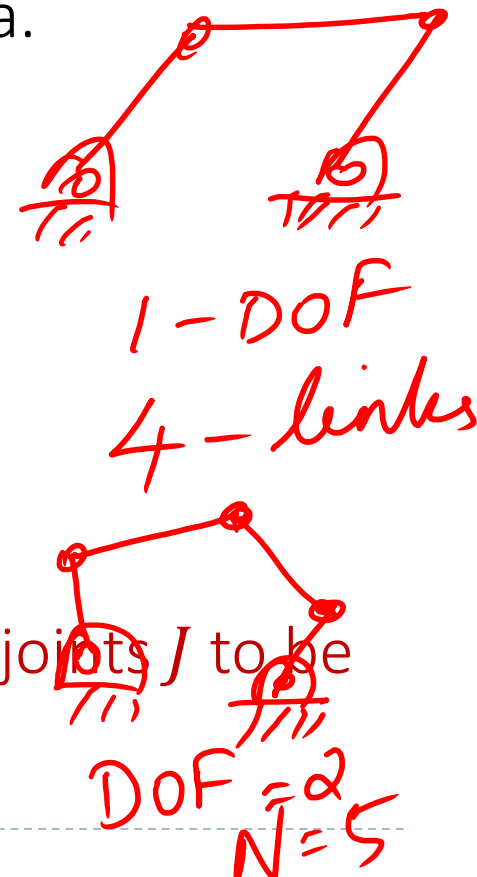
Hypothesis: If all joints have 1 DOF, an odd number of DOF requires an even number of links and vice-versa.

Proof:

$$M = 3(N - 1) - 2J$$

$$J = \frac{3}{2} (N - 1) - \frac{1}{2}$$

N must be 2,4,6,8, ... links to ensure the no. of joints J to be a positive integer.



Number synthesis - Contd.

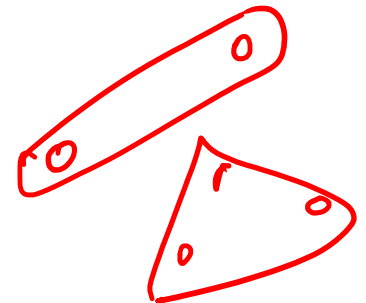
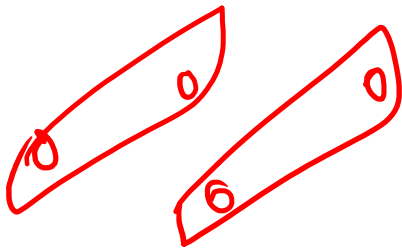
- ▶ Total number of links

$$N = B + T + Q + P + \dots$$

B = no. of binary links

T = no. of ternary links

Q = no. of quaternary links ...



Two link nodes are needed to make one joint

$$J = \frac{\text{nodes}}{2}$$

no. of nodes = order of links * no. of links of that order

Number synthesis - Contd.

$$J = \frac{\text{nodes}}{2} = 2B + 3T + 4Q$$

$$J = \frac{(2B + 3T + 4Q + 5P + 6H)}{2}$$

$$i = 3/2$$

Substitute in Gruebler's equ.

$$\frac{(2B + 3T + 4Q + 5P + 6H \dots)}{2} = \frac{3}{2} (N - 1) - \frac{M}{2}$$

$$2B + 3T + 4Q + 5P + 6H = 3N - 3 - M$$

$$\checkmark = 3B + 3T + 3Q + 3P + 3H - 4N = B + T + Q$$

$$B + Q + 2P + 3H = -4$$

Number synthesis - Contd.

Sub $B = N - T - Q - P - H$ in

$$N = B + T + Q + P + H$$

$$2B + 3T + 4Q + 5P + 6H = 3N - 3 - M$$

$$T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = N - 4$$

$$T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = N - 4 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$B = N - T - Q - P - H \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

N must be even for odd DOF

► Case 1 ; $N = 2$

$$T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = -2$$

$$\cancel{B = N - T - Q - P - H}$$

Requires $\cancel{N} = -2$ links - impossible

► Case 2 ; $N = 4$

$$\cancel{-} T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = 0$$

$$B = 4 - \cancel{T} - Q - P - H$$

The simplest 1DoF requires $\cancel{N} = 4$ binary links

$$T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = N - 4$$

$$B = N - T - Q - P - H$$

► Case 3 ; $N = 6$

$$T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = 2$$

$$P = H = 0$$

T may be 0, 1, or 2

Q may be 0 or 1

If $Q = 0$
 then $T = 2$,
 $B = 4$

If $Q = 1$
 then $T = 0$,
 $B = 5$

$$B = 6 - T - Q - P - H$$

$$T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = N - 4$$

$$B = N - T - Q - P - H$$

► Case 3 ; $N = 6$

$$T + 2Q + 3P + 4H = 2$$

$$P = H = 0$$

T may be 0,1, or 2

Q may be 0 or 1

*If $Q = 0$
then $T = 2$,
 $B = 4$*

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$$B = 6 - T - Q - P - H$$

Number synthesis - Contd.

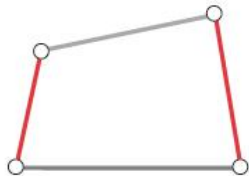
TABLE 2-2 1-DOF Planar Mechanisms with Revolute Joints and Up to 8 Links

| N | Link Sets | | | | |
|-----|-----------|---------|------------|------------|-----------|
| | Binary | Ternary | Quaternary | Pentagonal | Hexagonal |
| 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 8 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

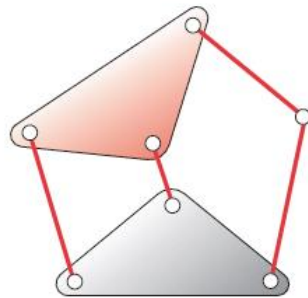
ISOMERS

- ▶ Like Isomers in chemistry - compounds that have the same number and type of atoms but which are interconnected differently and thus have different physical properties.

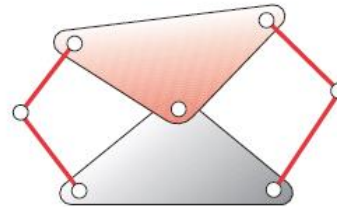
Valid Isomers



The only fourbar isomer



Stephenson's sixbar isomer



Watt's sixbar isomer

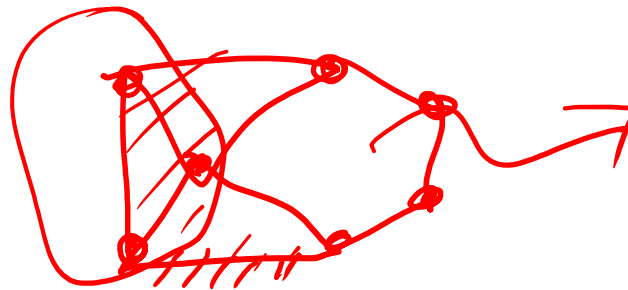
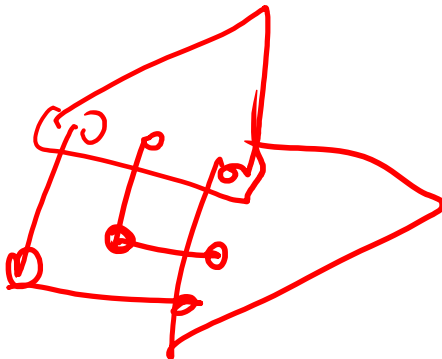
(b) All valid isomers of the fourbar and sixbar linkages

Number of Valid Isomers

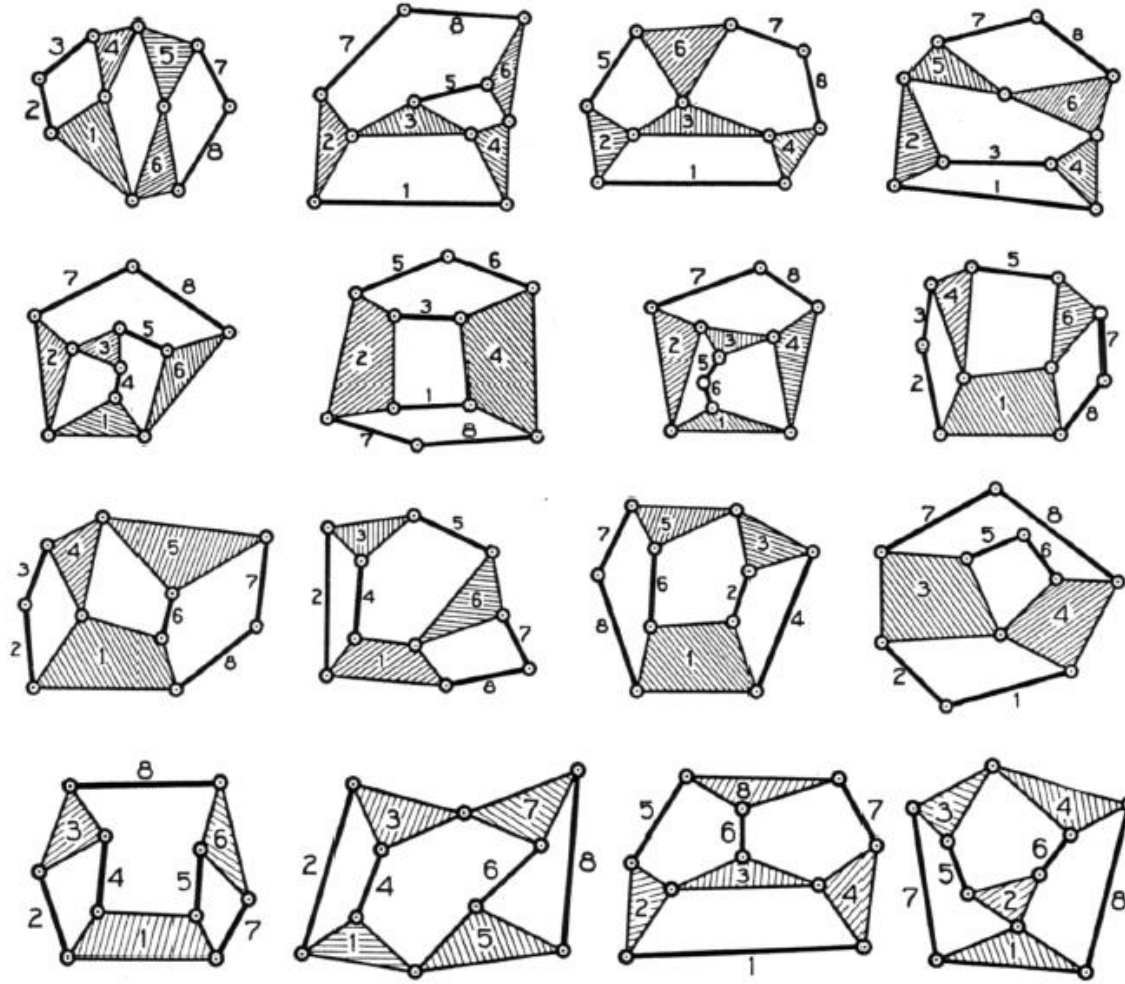
| Links | Valid Isomers |
|-------|---------------|
| 4 | 1 |
| 6 | 2 |
| 8 | 16 |
| 10 | 230 |
| 12 | 6856 |

4 bar

Invalid Isomers



Eightbar 1-DOF ISOMERS



(d) All the valid eightbar 1-DOF isomers