

Leg kinematics with toe

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1 Leg structure

A simplified leg kinematics structure is shown in Fig.1. The angular position of motors are o_1 and o_2 . Let (x_{end}, y_{end}) be the position of toe. Length of linkages are l_1, l_2, l_3 .

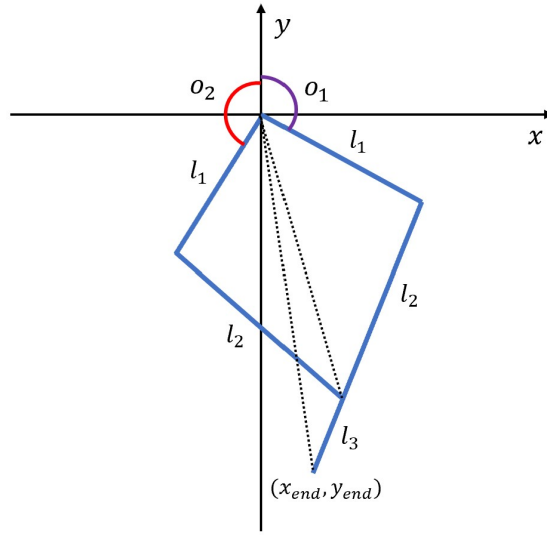


Figure 1: Leg structure.

2 FK

For leg's FK solution,

$$x_{end} = \sqrt{nn_1} \cos \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin} \left(\frac{\sin(n_1) (l_2 + l_3)}{\sqrt{nn_1}} \right) \right) \quad (1)$$

$$y_{end} = -\sqrt{nn_1} \sin \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin} \left(\frac{\sin(n_1) (l_2 + l_3)}{\sqrt{nn_1}} \right) \right) \quad (2)$$

Where,

$$nn_1 = (l_2 + l_3)^2 + l_1^2 - 2 l_1 \cos(n_1) (l_2 + l_3) \quad (3)$$

$$n_1 = \frac{o_1}{2} + \frac{o_2}{2} + \text{asin} \left(\frac{l_1 \sin \left(\frac{o_1}{2} + \frac{o_2}{2} - \pi \right)}{l_2} \right) \quad (4)$$

3 IK

For leg's IK solution,

$$o_1 = \frac{\pi}{2} - \text{atan2}(y_{\text{end}}, x_{\text{end}}) - \text{asin} \left(\frac{m_1 \sqrt{1 - \frac{(-l_1^2 - m_1^2 + x_{\text{end}}^2 + mm_1)^2}{4l_1^2 m_1^2}}}{\sqrt{x_{\text{end}}^2 + mm_1}} \right) \quad (5)$$

Where,

$$mm_1 = y_{\text{end}}^2 \quad (6)$$

$$m_1 = l_2 + l_3 \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} o_2 = & \frac{3\pi}{2} + \text{atan2}(y_{\text{end}}, x_{\text{end}}) - 2 \text{acos} \left(\frac{2l_1^2 + mm_2}{2l_1 \sqrt{l_1^2 + l_2^2 + mm_2}} \right) \\ & + \text{asin} \left(\frac{(l_2 + l_3) \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_2^2}{4l_1^2(l_2+l_3)^2}}}{\sqrt{x_{\text{end}}^2 + y_{\text{end}}^2}} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Where,

$$mm_2 = -\frac{l_2 m_2}{l_2 + l_3} \quad (9)$$

$$m_2 = (l_2 + l_3)^2 + l_1^2 - x_{\text{end}}^2 - y_{\text{end}}^2 \quad (10)$$

4 Jacobian matrix

The leg's Jacobian matrix,

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x_{\text{end}}}{\partial o_1} & \frac{\partial x_{\text{end}}}{\partial o_2} \\ \frac{\partial y_{\text{end}}}{\partial o_1} & \frac{\partial y_{\text{end}}}{\partial o_2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} j_1 & j_2 \\ j_3 & j_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} j_1 = & \text{je}_1 \text{jw}_1 l_1 \cos \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin}(\text{je}_1 \sin(\text{j}q_1) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \sin(\text{j}q_1) (l_2 + l_3) \\ & - \frac{\sin \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin}(\text{je}_1 \sin(\text{j}q_1) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \left(\frac{\text{je}_1 \text{jw}_1 \cos(\text{j}q_1) (l_2 + l_3) - \text{je}_1^3 \text{jw}_1 l_1 \sin(\text{j}q_1)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2}{\sqrt{1 - \text{je}_1^2 \sin(\text{j}q_1)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2}} + 1 \right)}{\text{je}_1} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} j_2 = & \text{je}_2 \text{jw}_2 l_1 \cos \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin}(\text{je}_2 \sin(\text{j}q_2) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \sin(\text{j}q_2) (l_2 + l_3) \\ & - \frac{\sin \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin}(\text{je}_2 \sin(\text{j}q_2) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \left(\text{je}_2 \text{jw}_2 \cos(\text{j}q_2) (l_2 + l_3) - \text{je}_2^3 \text{jw}_2 l_1 \sin(\text{j}q_2)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2 \right)}{\text{je}_2 \sqrt{1 - \text{je}_2^2 \sin(\text{j}q_2)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2}} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} j_3 = & - \frac{\cos \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin}(\text{je}_3 \sin(\text{j}q_3) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \left(\frac{\text{je}_3 \text{jw}_3 \cos(\text{j}q_3) (l_2 + l_3) - \text{je}_3^3 \text{jw}_3 l_1 \sin(\text{j}q_3)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2}{\sqrt{1 - \text{je}_3^2 \sin(\text{j}q_3)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2}} + 1 \right)}{\text{je}_3} \\ & - \text{je}_3 \text{jw}_3 l_1 \sin \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin}(\text{je}_3 \sin(\text{j}q_3) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \sin(\text{j}q_3) (l_2 + l_3) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$j_4 = - \frac{\cos \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin} (j e_4 \sin (j q_4) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \left(j e_4 j w_4 \cos (j q_4) (l_2 + l_3) - j e_4^3 j w_4 l_1 \sin (j q_4)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2 \right)}{j e_4 \sqrt{1 - j e_4^2 \sin (j q_4)^2 (l_2 + l_3)^2}} - j e_4 j w_4 l_1 \sin \left(o_1 - \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{asin} (j e_4 \sin (j q_4) (l_2 + l_3)) \right) \sin (j q_4) (l_2 + l_3) \quad (15)$$

Where,

$$j q_1 = j q_2 = j q_3 = j q_4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(l_2 + l_3)^2 + l_1^2 - 2 l_1 \cos (j q_4) (l_2 + l_3)}} \quad (16)$$

$$j w_1 = j w_2 = j w_3 = j w_4 = \frac{l_1 \cos \left(\frac{o_1}{2} + \frac{o_2}{2} - \pi \right)}{2 l_2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{l_1^2 \sin \left(\frac{o_1}{2} + \frac{o_2}{2} - \pi \right)^2}{l_2^2}}} + \frac{1}{2} \quad (17)$$

$$j e_1 = j e_2 = j e_3 = j e_4 = \frac{o_1}{2} + \frac{o_2}{2} + \text{asin} \left(\frac{l_1 \sin \left(\frac{o_1}{2} + \frac{o_2}{2} - \pi \right)}{l_2} \right) \quad (18)$$

So the estimated toe force

$$f = (J^T)^{-1} \tau \quad (19)$$

5 Simulations

Leg's workspace is shown in Fig.2. Where $l_1 = 100mm$, $l_2 = 200mm$, $l_3 = 50mm$.

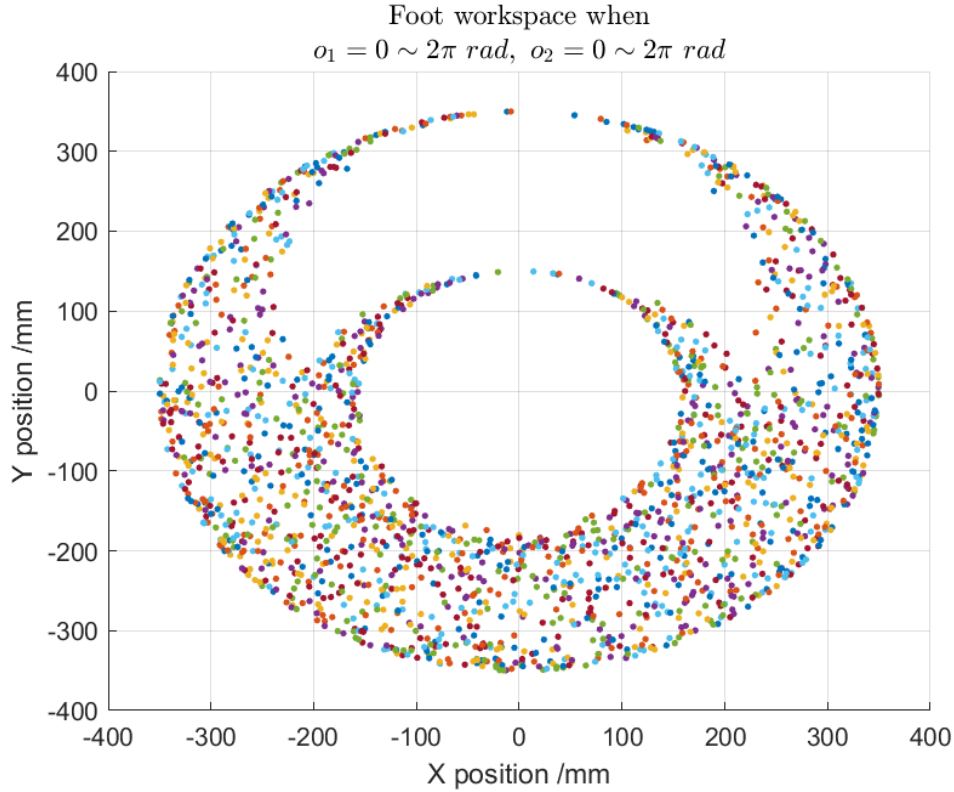


Figure 2: Leg's workspace.

Toe's maximum output force in all directions when moving horizontally is shown in Fig.3. This gives us a general idea of how the toe's position affects the linkage's efficiency.

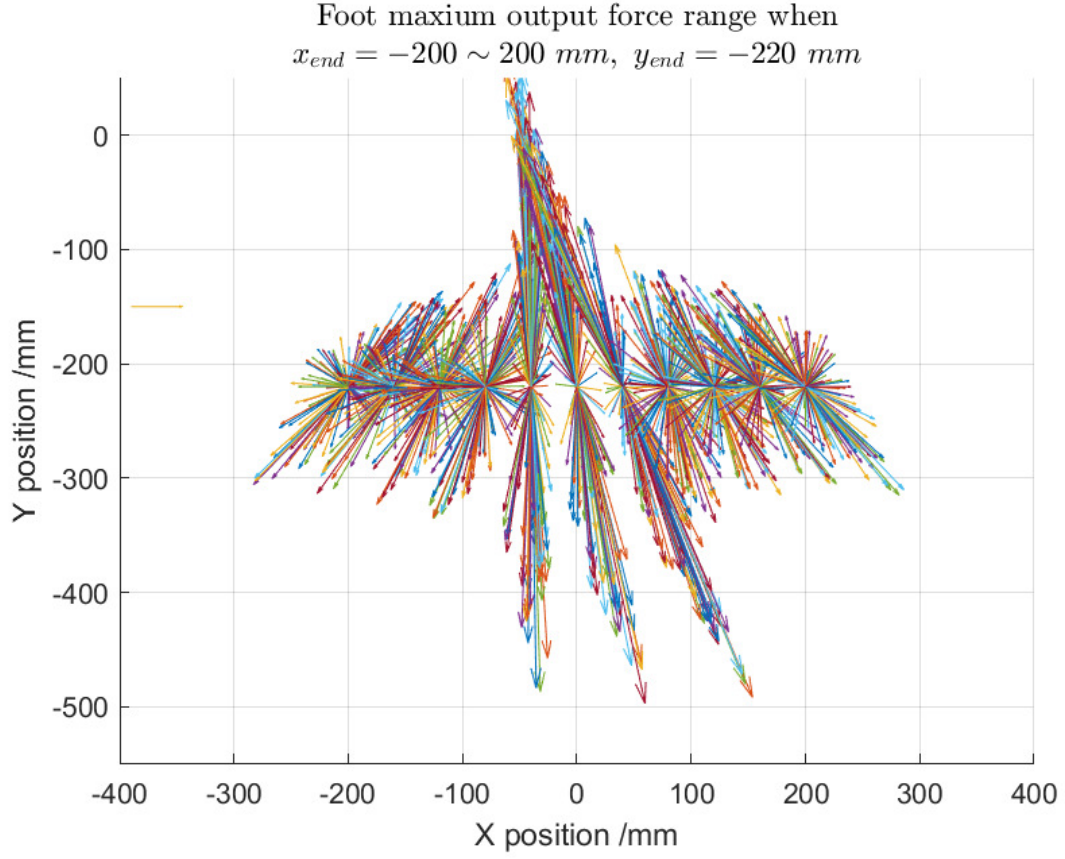


Figure 3: Toe's maximum output force sim.

The vector's length at $(-390, -150)$ represents a $10N$ toe force.

Motor's maximum torque is set to $1.66N \cdot M$, since we're using T-MOTOR U8II. The maximum torque is assumed based on the relationship between a motor's velocity constant K_V , current I_A , and torque τ . This relationship is as follows:

$$\tau \approx \frac{8.3 \cdot I_A}{K_V} \quad (20)$$