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**Description:** This script simulates the motion of a slider-crank. Afterwards, it first animates the slider-crank by plotting the vectors tip-to-tail, animates the slider-crank again by using the simulation data. Additionally, it compares the velocity of link AB to the angular position of link OA.

### **Required Files:**

- Simulator.slx This file uses Simulink to double integrate a MATLAB Function Block which describes the accelerations of the simulation. It outputs the positions as xout, the velocities as vout, the accelerations as aout, and the times as tout with inputs of the MATLAB function and initial conditions.
- link solver.m This file contains a function that represents the accelerations of the simulation. It returns x with an input of u.

# **Called Functions**

clear all; clc;

### **Given Values**

The following assigns values given by the problem statement to variables.

### **Initial Conditions**

The following sets the initial conditions of the slider-crank. See the attached file for hand calculations.

```
% Position Initial Conditions
% Length initial of vector R2 (m) [Pythagorean Theorem]
r3_0 = hypot(r_1+r_2*cos(t2_0), r_2*sin(t2_0));
% Angular position initial of link OA (rad) [Law of Sines]
t3_0 = asin(sin(pi-t2_0)/r3_0 * r_2);
% COM[x] initial of link OA (m)
x2_0 = r_1 + r_2/2*cos(t2_0);
% COM[y] initial of link OA (m)
y2_0 = r_2/2*sin(t2_0);
% COM[x] initial of link AB (m)
```

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x3_0 = r_1 + r_2*cos(t2_0) - l_ab/2*cos(t3_0);
% COM[y] initial of link AB (m)
y3_0 = r_2*sin(t2_0) - l_ab/2*sin(t3_0);
% Position Initial Conditions Matrix
x = [r3 0, t3 0, x2 0, y2 0, x3 0, y3 0];
% Velocity Initial Conditions
A = [\cos(t3_0), -r3_0*\sin(t3_0);
     sin(t3_0), r3_0*cos(t3_0)];
b = [-r_2*tdot_2*sin(t2_0);
     r_2*tdot_2*cos(t2_0)];
x = A \setminus b;
% Velocity initial of vector R3 (m/s)
rdot3_0 = x(1);
% Angular velocity initial of link AB (rad/s)
tdot3_0 = x(2);
% Velocity_G[x] initial of link OA (m/s)
xdot2_0 = -tdot_2 * r_2/2*sin(t2_0);
% Velocity_G[y] initial of link OA (m/s)
ydot2_0 = tdot_2 * r_2/2*cos(t2_0);
% Velocity_G[x] initial of link AB (m/s)
xdot3 0 = -tdot3 0 * y3 0;
% Velocity G[x] initial of link AB (m/s)
ydot3_0 = tdot3_0 * x3_0;
% Velocity Initial Conditions Matrix
v_0 = [rdot3_0, tdot3_0, xdot2_0, ydot2_0, xdot3_0, ydot3_0];
```

# Simulate the Slider-Crank Using Simulink

The following calls the Simulink file Simulator.slx, which outputs the positions as xout, the velocities as vout, the accelerations as aout, and the times as tout with link\_solver.m as the input for the MATLAB Fuction, tdot\_2, t2\_0, v\_0, and x\_0 as the input for the initial conditions, and theta2\_stop as the input for the final conditions.

```
sim('Simulator.slx');
```

# **Tip-to-Tail Animation**

The following animates the slider-crank by plotting the vectors tip-to-tail. Thus, the extension of link AB is not plotted. If a constant "pause" is used, this animation displays only kinematic position, and not kinematic velocity, because in reality the time step between each frame varies.

```
% Cartesian Coordinates of Vector R1
r1_x = [0, r_1];
r1_y = [0, 0];

for t = 1:length(tout)

    t_2 = t2_0 + tdot_2 * tout(t); % Angular position of link OA (m)

% Cartesian Coordinates of Vector R2, Link AB (tip-to-tail)
    r2_x = [r1_x(end), r1_x(end) + r_2*cos(t_2)];
    r2_y = [r1_y(end), r1_y(end) + r_2*sin(t_2)];
    r3_x = [r2_x(end), r1_x(1)];
    r3_y = [r2_y(end), r2_y(1)];

% Plot the vector links
```

```
plot(r1_x, r1_y, r2_x, r2_y, r3_x, r3_y, 'LineWidth', 2);
    % Keep the frame consistent
    axis equal;
    axis([-0.2, 0.4, -0.1, 0.1]);
    % Calculate the time step and pause accordingly
    if t ~= length(tout)
                                    % Prevent index error
        % Calculate the time step (s)
        t_{step} = tout(t+1) - tout(t);
                                    % Assume negligible processing time
        pause(t_step);
    end
end
% Plot labeling (last frame)
title('Tip-to-Tail Animation');
xlabel({'X Position (m)'
        % Figure label
        '\bfFigure 1: \rmTip-to-Tail Animation'});
ylabel('Y Position (m)');
legend('Vector R1', 'Vector R2', 'Vector R3');
```

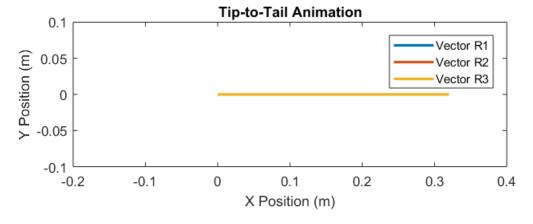


Figure 1: Tip-to-Tail Animation

# Velocity of Vector R3 vs. Angular Position of Link OA

The following plots the velocity of vector R3 as a function of the angular position of link OA.

```
% Plot
plot(t_2s, rdot_3s, 'LineWidth', 2);
title('Velocity of Vector R3 vs. Angular Position of Link OA');
xlabel({'Angular Position of Link OA (rad)'
        % Figure label
        '\bfFigure 2: \rmVeclocity of Vector R3 vs. Angular Position of Link OA'});
ylabel('Length of Vector R3 (m)');
% Find the time index of when the angular position of link OA is 140 degrees
t_140 = length(tout);
for t = 1:length(tout);
    % Best error (so far)
    best_error = abs(t_2s(t_140)-(deg2rad(140)-2*pi));
    % Current error
    curr\_error = abs(t\_2s(t)-(deg2rad(140)-2*pi));
    % If the current error is less than the best error (so far)...
    if curr_error < best_error</pre>
                                    % Update the best error time index
        t_140 = t;
    end
end
% Print results to console
fprintf("The velocity of link AB ");
fprintf("when the angular position of link OA is 140 degrees is: ");
fprintf("\n");
fprintf(num2str(rdot_3s(t_140)));
fprintf(" m/s.");
fprintf("\n");
[\sim, idx] = max(vout(:, 1));
fprintf("The maximum value of the velocity of link AB is: ");
fprintf("\n");
fprintf(num2str(rdot_3s(idx)));
fprintf(" m/s.");
fprintf("\n");
fprintf("The corresponding angular position of link OA is: ");
fprintf("\n");
fprintf(num2str(t_2s(idx)+2*pi));
fprintf(" radians.");
fprintf("\n");
```

```
The velocity of link AB when the angular position of link OA is 140 degrees is: 0.19633 m/s. The maximum value of the velocity of link AB is: 0.24 m/s. The corresponding angular position of link OA is: -4.3786 radians.
```

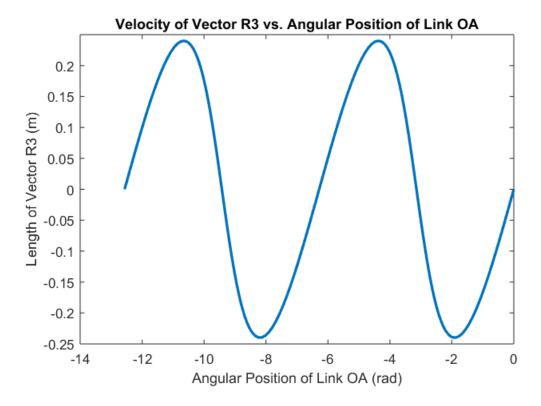


Figure 2: Veclocity of Vector R3 vs. Angular Position of Link OA

# **Simulation Animation**

The following animates the slider-crank by using the simulation data.

```
% Cartesian Coordinates of COM of Vector R1
x_1 = (r1_x(end)-r1_y(1))/2;
y_1 = (r1_y(end)-r1_y(1))/2;
% Easy access to...
                              % Lengths of vector R3 (m)
r_3 = xout(:, 1);
t_3 = xout(:, 2);
                               % Angular positions of link AB (rad)
                              % COMs[x] of link OA (m)
% COMs[y] of link OA (m)
% COMs[x] of link AB (m)
x_2 = xout(:, 3);
y_2 = xout(:, 4);
x_3 = xout(:, 5);
                                 % COMs[y] of link AB (m)
y_3 = xout(:, 6);
% Cartesian Coordinates of Point A
a_x = r1_x(end)+r_2*cos(t2_0+tdot_2*tout);
a_y = r1_y(end) + r_2 \sin(t2_0 + tdot_2 + tout);
% Cartesian Coordinates of Point B
b_x = a_x - l_ab*cos(t_3);
b_y = a_y - l_ab*sin(t_3);
for t = 1:length(tout)
    t 2 = t2 0 + tdot 2*tout(t); % Angular position of link OA (m)
    % Cartesian Coordinates of Vector R2
    r2_x = [r1_x(end), r1_x(end) + r_2*cos(t_2)];
    r2_y = [r1_y(end), r1_y(end) + r_2*sin(t_2)];
    % Cartesian Coordinates of Link AB
    lab_x = [r2_x(end), r2_x(end) - l_ab*cos(t_3(t))];
    lab_y = [r2_y(end), r2_y(end) - l_ab*sin(t_3(t))];
```

```
% Plot the links, COMs, COM paths
   plot(r1_x, r1_y, ... % Vector R1 r2_x, r2_y, ... % Vector R2
        r2_x, r2_y, ... % Vector R2 lab_x, lab_y, ... % Link AB
        x_2(1:t), y_2(1:t), ... % Path of link OA COM
        x_3(1:t), y_3(1:t), ... % Path of link AB COM
        a_x(1:t), a_y(1:t), ... % Path of point A
        b_x(1:t), b_y(1:t), ... % Path of point B
'LineWidth', 2); % Line Properties
   % COM of Vector R1
   viscircles([x_1, y_1], 0.0025, 'Color', 'k');
   % COM of Link OA
   viscircles([x_2(t), y_2(t)], 0.0025, 'Color', 'k');
   % COM of Link AB
   viscircles([x_3(t), y_3(t)], 0.0025, 'Color', 'k');
   % Keep the frame consistent
   axis equal;
   axis([-0.2, 0.8, -0.1, 0.1]);
   % Calculate the time step and pause accordingly
   % Calculate the time step (s)
        t_step = tout(t+1) - tout(t);
        pause(t_step);
                            % Assume negligible processing time
   end
% Plot labeling (last frame)
title('Simulation Animation');
xlabel({'X Position (m)'
       % Figure label
        '\bfFigure 3: \rmSimulation Animation'});
ylabel('Y Position (m)');
legend('Vector R1', 'Vector R2', 'Link AB', ...
       'Path of Link OA COM', 'Path of Link AB COM', ...
       'Path of Point A', 'Path of Point B');
end
```

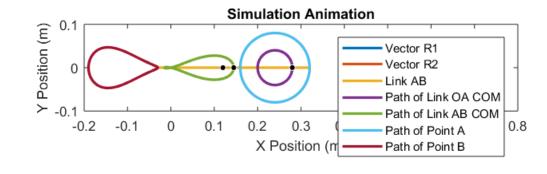


Figure 3: Simulation Animation

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### **Called Functions**

#### **Given Values**

The following assigns values given by the problem statement to variables.

### **Solved Values**

The following assigns values derived and/or solved from the given values to variables. See the attached file for hand calculations.

```
% Easy Access to...
                              % Angular position of link OA (rad)
t_2 = u(1);
                              % Angular velocity of link
% Length of vector R3 (m)
                                % Angular velocity of link OA (rad/s)
tdot_2 = u(2);
r 3 = u(3);
t_3 = u(4);
                              % Angular position of link AB (rad)
                                % Velocity of vector R3 (m/s)
rdot 3 = u(9);
tdot_3 = u(10);
                                % Angular velocity of link AB (rad/s)
A = [\cos(t_3), -r_3*\sin(t_3), 0, 0, 0, 0;
     sin(t_3), r_3*cos(t_3), 0, 0, 0, 0;
     0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0;
     0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0;
     -\cos(t_3), (r_3-l_ab/2)*\sin(t_3), 0, 0, 1, 0;
     -\sin(t_3), -(r_3-l_ab/2)*\cos(t_3), 0, 0, 0, 1];
b = [2*rdot_3*tdot_3*sin(t_3) + r_3*tdot_3^2*cos(t_3) - r_2*tdot_2^2*cos(t_2);
     -2*rdot_3*tdot_3*cos(t_3) + r_3*tdot_3^2*sin(t_3) - r_2*tdot_2^2*sin(t_2);
     -1/2*r_2*tdot_2^2*cos(t_2);
     -1/2*r_2*tdot_2^2*sin(t_2);
     -2*rdot_3*tdot_3*sin(t_3) - r_3*tdot_3^2*cos(t_3) + 1_ab/2*tdot_3^2*cos(t_3);
     2*rdot 3*tdot 3*cos(t 3) - r 3*tdot 3^2*sin(t 3) + 1 ab/2*tdot 3^2*sin(t 3)];
```

### Solve for x

Solve for x using mldivide.

$x = A \setminus b;$	
end	

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