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# Compact Continuum Robotic Manipulator Platform

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# Abstract

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# 1 Introduction

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## 1.1 Background

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## 1.2 Motivation

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## 2 Literature Review

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## 3 Design

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### 3.1 Methodology

#### 3.1.1 Forward Kinematics

The manipulator consists of four sections, and the backbones of each section are perpendicular to each other. To derive the workspace of the manipulator for further analysis, the forward kinematics formula need to be conducted. According to the fishbone continuum robot[2], the forward kinematics formula of two perpendicular sections are shown in Equations 1, 2, and 3.

$$\begin{aligned} x = & -\frac{S_r r}{\Delta S_1} + \frac{S_r r}{\Delta S_1} \cos\left(\frac{\Delta S_l}{r}\right) - d_1 \sin\left(\frac{\Delta S_l}{r}\right) \\ & - \frac{S_r r}{\Delta S_3} \sin\left(\frac{\Delta S_1}{r}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta S_3}{r}\right) \\ & - d_2 \sin\left(\frac{\Delta S_1}{r}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta S_3}{r}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$y = -\frac{S_r r}{\Delta S_3} + \frac{S_r r}{\Delta S_3} \cos\left(\frac{\Delta S_3}{r}\right) - d_2 \sin\left(\frac{\Delta S_3}{r}\right) \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z = & \frac{S_r r}{\Delta S_1} \sin\left(\frac{\Delta S_l}{r}\right) + d_1 \cos\left(\frac{\Delta S_l}{r}\right) \\ & + \frac{S_r r}{\Delta S_3} \sin\left(\frac{\Delta S_3}{r}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta S_1}{r}\right) \\ & + d_2 \cos\left(\frac{\Delta S_1}{r}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta S_3}{r}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

However, calculating the centroid directly using the above formula becomes complex while there are four units in the manipulator. Additionally, the inverse kinematics part also requires the derivation of corresponding matrices for subsequent calculations using the composite coordinate transformation formula. Therefore, The relevant matrices for subsequent calculations need to be derived. The position of the end effector at the section whose backbone is parallel to the

x-axis, which is  $\mathbf{P}_{end}$  can be derived based on the bending angle matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ , mechanism parameters, the position of the end effector in the base coordinate system  $\mathbf{P}_{base}^{end}$  and the position of the base at the section  $\mathbf{P}_{base}$ . The composite coordinate transformation is a combination of rotation and translation. The equations are shown in Equations 4 and 5.  $P_{horizontal}$  and  $P_{vertical}$  are the horizontal and vertical position of end effector at the section in the base coordinate system, respectively. The sign of  $P_{horizontal}$  in matrix  $\mathbf{P}_{base}^{end}$  consistent with the the sign of  $\alpha$ .

$$\mathbf{P}_{end} = \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{P}_{base} + \mathbf{P}_{base}^{end} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\alpha) & \sin(\alpha) \\ 0 & -\sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \pm P_{horizontal} \\ P_{vertical} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$P_{horizontal} = R \cdot (1 - \cos(\alpha)) + d \cdot \cos(\alpha)$$

$$P_{vertical} = R \cdot \sin(\alpha) + d \cdot \sin(\alpha)$$

The composite transformation matrix of the first section whose backbone is parallel to x-axis is derived in Equations 6 and 7.

$$\mathbf{P}_{end,1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_1 & \mathbf{P}_{base,1}^{end} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{base,1} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\alpha_1) & \sin(\alpha_1) & \pm P_{horizontal,1} \\ 0 & -\sin(\alpha_1) & \cos(\alpha_1) & P_{vertical,1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

The composite transformation matrix of the second section whose backbone is parallel to y-axis is derived in Equations 8 and 9. ( $\mathbf{P}_{base,2}$  is equivalent to  $\mathbf{P}_{end,1}$ )

$$\mathbf{P}_{end,2} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_2 & \mathbf{P}_{base,2}^{end} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{base,2} (\mathbf{P}_{end,1}) \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha_2) & 0 & \sin(\alpha_2) & \pm P_{horizontal,2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin(\alpha_2) & 0 & \cos(\alpha_2) & P_{vertical,2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

The manipulator consists of four sections. Therefore, the coordinates of the base and end effector of the manipulator can be expressed through the following forward kinematics matrices in Equation 10.

$$\mathbf{P}_{end,4} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_4 & \mathbf{P}_{base,4}^{end} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_3 & \mathbf{P}_{base,3}^{end} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_2 & \mathbf{P}_{base,2}^{end} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_1 & \mathbf{P}_{base,1}^{end} \\ \mathbf{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{base,1} \quad (10)$$

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## 4 Result and Discussion

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## 5 Conclusion

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# Appendix A

## TEST

This is the Appendix 1.



# Appendix B

## Test

This is the Appendix 2.