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## ABSTRACT

A planar mechanism consists of several links some of which execute pure rotation about a fixed centre and other links have oscillatory/rotary motion or translatory motion. These links also execute rotary motion about a point in the plane of motion but its position depends on orientation of links which is called configuration. The point about which these links rotate is called instantaneous centre, because its position changes with the change in configuration. Even the translatory link can be assumed to rotate about a point at infinity. The links also have motion relative to each other with reference to relative instantaneous centres. These centres can be located with the help of Kennedy's theorem. A mechanism having many links will have many relative instantaneous centres but all of them need not be determined. A relative instantaneous centre which connects required link (for which velocity is to be determined) with the link whose velocity is known is required. However some of these centres can be determined by observation, e.g. fixed centres and hinges. Fixed centres are relative to fixed link. The instantaneous centres relative to fixed link have no velocity whereas others move with velocity depending with which it is considered to move.

Machine/equipment consists of mechanisms for their successful operation. These mechanisms are designed for the desired output or the performance for specified input. Link length inaccuracies result in variation in the performance of the mechanism. Sensitivity of mechanism is the variation in the performance due to dimensional variation. Analysis is the study of motions and forces concerning different parts of an existing mechanism. The link length inaccuracies are due to number of factors like manufacturing errors, deflection of links, clearances in joints etc. Due to manufacturing defects and clearances the link lengths vary. This variation in the link length causes variation in desired performance of mechanism. In this project a simple class I four bar linkage is analyzed assuming that links are rigid. A generalized approach is proposed to measure the performance of a planar four bar chain using instantaneous centre method



## CONCLUSION AND SCOPE FOR FUTURE WORK

### 9.1 Conclusion:

Based on the results and analysis the conclusions are as under:

1. From table 8.1- 8.3 the most sensitive link is  $L_2$  followed by  $L_4$  and  $L_1$ . The sensitivity of  $L_3$  is very less hence has little effect on sensitivity of mechanism.
2. As per table 8.4 and its analysis the standard deviation is 1.213 Nm means the errors are negligible hence the graphical method is acceptable.
3. As per table 8.5 and its analysis the standard deviation is 0.40 Nm means the errors are negligible hence the software developed and its results are acceptable and validated.
4. On the basis of graphs 8.1 – 8.9 the values of output torque  $T_4$  are maximum between input angle  $\Theta_2$  at  $10^\circ -15^\circ$  and  $210^\circ -215^\circ$  this may be out of position where link  $L_2$  and link  $L_3$  are either in a straight line or overlapping.
5. As link  $L_2$  is the most sensitive link therefore closure tolerance is to be provided on link  $L_2$  followed by link  $L_4$ , link  $L_1$  and link  $L_3$ .

### 9.2 Scope for Future Work:

On the basis of the results and analysis obtained, there is lot of scope for work in this area.

1. In this we have assume the tolerance of  $\pm 1$  mm on every link one at a time for the analysis. Closure tolerance of the range  $\pm 0.1$  mm or still lower can be checked by modifying the existing software.
2. Optimum tolerance can be provided on all the links for desired performance using this approach by developing the software.
3. Better analysis can be done by providing tolerance simultaneously on all the links instead of one at a time.
4. Further analysis for knowing the cause for sudden variation in output torque can be done.