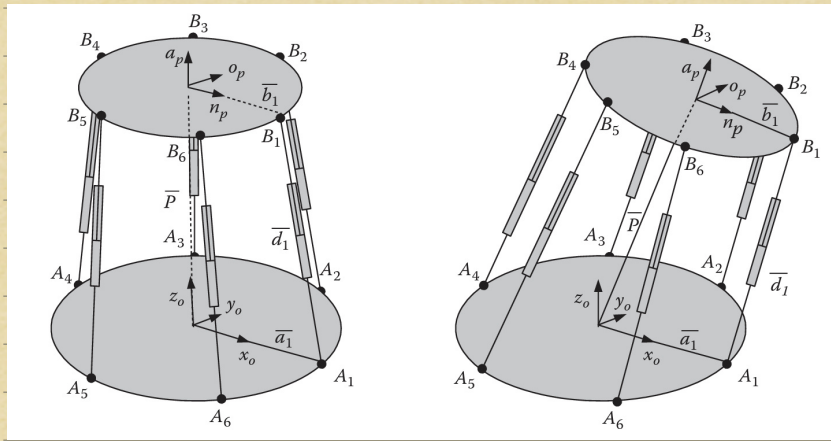


Inverse Kinematics



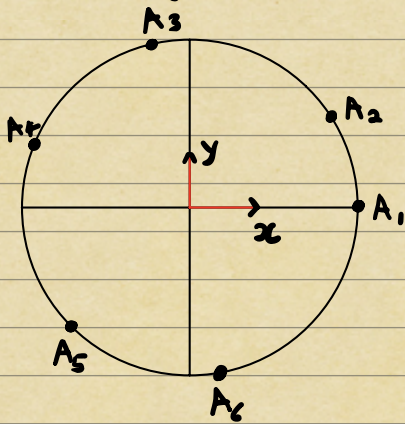
- $\bar{d}$ is the length of each leg
- $\bar{P}$ is the position vector of the platform

• Displacement vector: In order to move from the base frame x, y, z to the platform frame n_p, o_p, a_p the following vector sum is required.

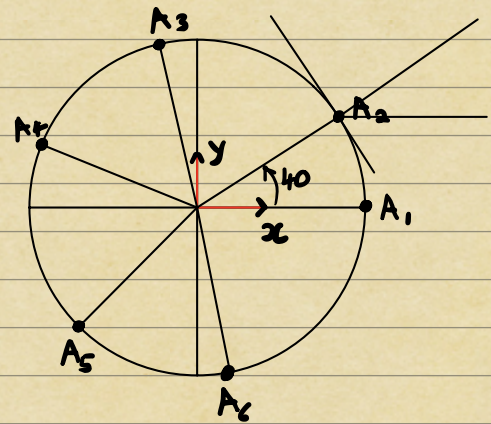
$$\bar{a} + \bar{d} - \bar{b} = \bar{P} \longrightarrow \bar{d} = \bar{P} + \bar{b} - \bar{a}$$

$$\bar{P} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{a} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{a0,i} \\ y_{a0,i} \\ z_{a0,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{b} = R_x R_y R_z \begin{bmatrix} x_{b,i} \\ y_{b,i} \\ z_{b,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using a 0° - 40° arrangement:



$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &\rightarrow 0^\circ \\ A_2 &\rightarrow 40^\circ \\ A_3 &\rightarrow 120^\circ \\ A_4 &\rightarrow 160^\circ \\ A_5 &\rightarrow 240^\circ \\ A_6 &\rightarrow 280^\circ \end{aligned}$$



$$a_x = a \cos(A) \quad a_y = a \sin(A)$$

$$a_{1x} = a \cos(0) \quad a_{1y} = a \sin(0)$$

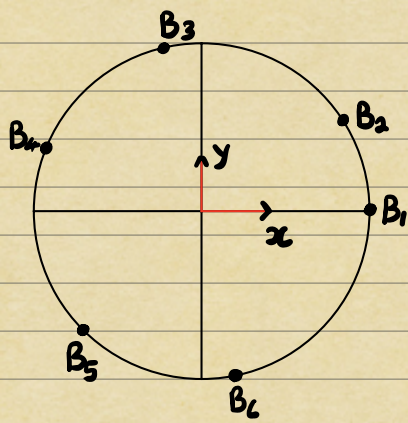
$$a_{2x} = a \cos(40) \quad a_{2y} = a \sin(40)$$

$$a_{3x} = a \cos(120) \quad a_{3y} = a \sin(120)$$

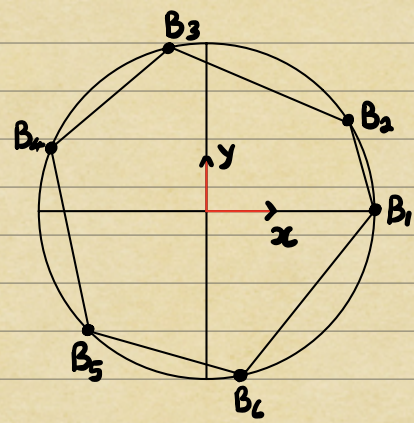
$$a_{4x} = a \cos(160) \quad a_{4y} = a \sin(160)$$

$$a_{5x} = a \cos(240) \quad a_{5y} = a \sin(240)$$

$$a_{6x} = a \cos(280) \quad a_{6y} = a \sin(280)$$



$B_1 \rightarrow 0^\circ$
 $B_2 \rightarrow 40^\circ$
 $B_3 \rightarrow 120^\circ$
 $B_4 \rightarrow 160^\circ$
 $B_5 \rightarrow 240^\circ$
 $B_6 \rightarrow 280^\circ$

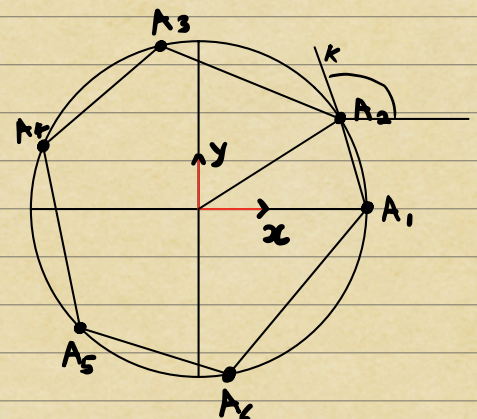
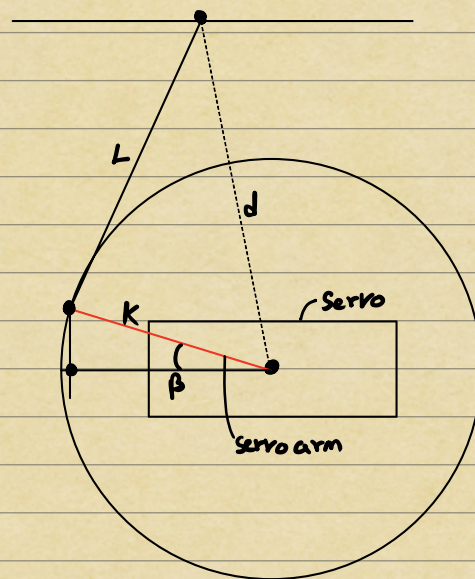
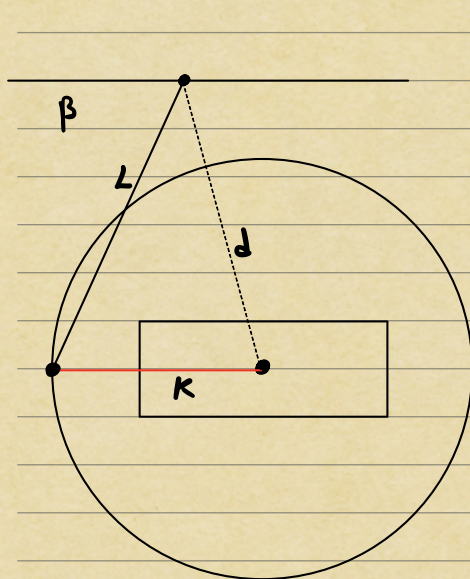


$$a_x = a \cos(A) \quad a_y = a \sin(A)$$

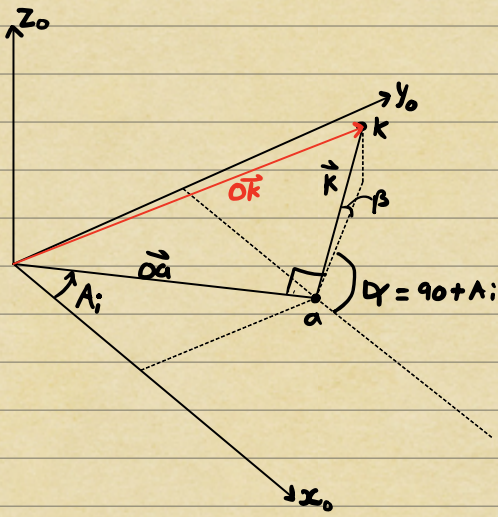
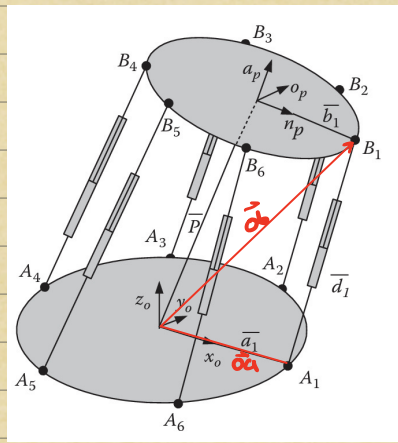
$$\begin{aligned}
 b_{1x} &= b \cos(0) & b_{1y} &= b \sin(0) \\
 b_{2x} &= b \cos(40) & b_{2y} &= b \sin(40) \\
 b_{3x} &= b \cos(120) & b_{3y} &= b \sin(120) \\
 b_{4x} &= b \cos(160) & b_{4y} &= b \sin(160) \\
 b_{5x} &= b \cos(240) & b_{5y} &= b \sin(240) \\
 b_{6x} &= b \cos(280) & b_{6y} &= b \sin(280)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \vec{ob} \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c} d_{ix} \\ d_{iy} \\ d_{iz} \\ 1 \end{array}
 =
 \begin{array}{c} p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \\ 1 \end{array}
 + R_z R_y R_x
 \begin{array}{c} b_{ix} \\ b_{iy} \\ b_{iz} \\ 1 \end{array}
 -
 \begin{array}{c} a_{ix} \\ a_{iy} \\ a_{iz} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$|d_i| = \sqrt{d_{ix}^2 + d_{iy}^2 + d_{iz}^2}$$



- K: Servo arm length
- L: Length of rod connecting Servo to the platform
- d: Leg Length calculated from the inverse Kinematics
- β : Servo Rotation Angle



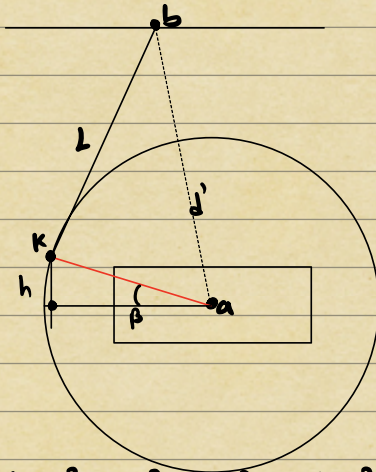
Calculating Servo Angle (β)

$$x_{ok} = k \cos(\beta) \cos(\alpha) + x_{oa} \quad (1)$$

$$y_{ok} = k \cos(\beta) \sin(\alpha) + y_{oa} \quad (2)$$

$$z_{ok} = k \sin(\beta) + z_{oa} \quad (3)$$

$$|\vec{d}| = d^2 = |\vec{ob}| - |\vec{oa}| \quad |\vec{qk}| = k^2 = |\vec{oa}| - |\vec{ok}|$$



$$L^2 = |\vec{kb}| = |\vec{ob}| - |\vec{ok}|$$

$$\vec{ob} = \vec{p} + R\vec{b}$$

$$\vec{oa} = \vec{a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore d^2 &= (x_{ob} - x_{oa})^2 + (y_{ob} - y_{oa})^2 + (z_{ob} - z_{oa})^2 \\ k^2 &= (x_{oa} - x_{ok})^2 + (y_{oa} - y_{ok})^2 + (z_{oa} - z_{ok})^2 \\ L^2 &= (x_{ob} - x_{ok})^2 + (y_{ob} - y_{ok})^2 + (z_{ob} - z_{ok})^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(x_{oa}^2 + y_{oa}^2 + z_{oa}^2) + (x_{ob}^2 + y_{ob}^2 + z_{ob}^2) - 2(x_{oa}x_{ob} + y_{oa}y_{ob} + z_{oa}z_{ob}) = d^2 \quad (4)$$

$$(x_{oa}^2 + y_{oa}^2 + z_{oa}^2) + (x_{ok}^2 + y_{ok}^2 + z_{ok}^2) - 2(x_{oa}x_{ok} + y_{oa}y_{ok} + z_{oa}z_{ok}) = k^2 \quad (5)$$

$$(x_{ob}^2 + y_{ob}^2 + z_{ob}^2) + (x_{ok}^2 + y_{ok}^2 + z_{ok}^2) - 2(x_{ob}x_{ok} + y_{ob}y_{ok} + z_{ob}z_{ok}) = L^2 \quad (6)$$

$$(4) - (5) - (6) :$$

$$d^2 - k^2 - L^2 = -2(x_{ok}^2 + y_{ok}^2 + z_{ok}^2) - 2(x_{oa}x_{ob} + y_{oa}y_{ob} + z_{oa}z_{ob}) + 2(x_{oa}x_{ok} + y_{oa}y_{ok} + z_{oa}z_{ok}) + 2(x_{ob}x_{ok} + y_{ob}y_{ok} + z_{ob}z_{ok})$$

$$d^2 - k^2 - L^2 = -2(x_{ok}^2 + y_{ok}^2 + z_{ok}^2) + 2x_{oa}(x_{ok} - x_{ob}) + 2y_{oa}(y_{ok} - y_{ob}) + 2z_{oa}(z_{ok} - z_{ob}) + 2(x_{ob}x_{ok} + y_{ob}y_{ok} + z_{ob}z_{ok})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -2(x_{ok}^2 + y_{ok}^2 + z_{ok}^2) + 2x_{oa}(k \cos(\beta) \cos(\alpha) + x_{oa} - x_{ob}) + 2y_{oa}(k \cos(\beta) \sin(\alpha) + y_{oa} - y_{ob}) + \\ &\quad 2z_{oa}(k \sin(\beta) + z_{oa} - z_{ob}) + 2x_{ob}(k \cos(\beta) \cos(\alpha) + x_{oa}) + 2y_{ob}(k \cos(\beta) \sin(\alpha) + y_{oa}) + \\ &\quad 2z_{ob}(k \sin(\beta) + z_{oa}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -2(x_{ok}^2 + y_{ok}^2 + z_{ok}^2) + 2x_{oa}(k \cos(\beta) \cos(\alpha) + x_{oa}) + 2y_{oa}(k \cos(\beta) \sin(\alpha) + y_{oa}) + 2z_{oa}(k \sin(\beta) + z_{oa}) \\ &\quad - 2x_{oa}x_{ob} - 2y_{oa}y_{ob} - 2z_{oa}z_{ob} + 2x_{oa}x_{ob} + 2y_{oa}y_{ob} + 2z_{oa}z_{ob} + 2x_{ob}k \cos(\beta) \cos(\alpha) + 2y_{ob}k \cos(\beta) \sin(\alpha) \\ &\quad + 2z_{ob}k \sin(\beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$'' = -2(x_{0k}^2 + y_{0k}^2 + z_{0k}^2) + 2x_{0a}(k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + x_{0a}) + 2y_{0a}(k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + y_{0a}) + 2z_{0a}(k\sin(\beta) + z_{0a}) + 2x_{0b}k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2y_{0b}k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2z_{0b}k\sin(\beta)$$

simplify

$$'' = -2(x_{0k}^2 + y_{0k}^2 + z_{0k}^2) + 2(x_{0a}^2 + y_{0a}^2 + z_{0a}^2) + 2x_{0a}k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2y_{0a}k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2z_{0a}k\sin(\beta) + 2x_{0b}k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2y_{0b}k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2z_{0b}k\sin(\beta)$$

simplify

$$-2(x_{0k}^2 + y_{0k}^2 + z_{0k}^2) = -2[(k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + x_{0a})^2 + (k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + y_{0a})^2 + (k\sin(\beta) + z_{0a})^2]$$

$$\downarrow = -2[k^2\cos^2(\beta)\cos^2(\alpha) + 2kx_{0a}\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + x_{0a}^2 + k^2\cos^2(\beta)\sin^2(\alpha) + 2ky_{0a}\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + y_{0a}^2 + k^2\sin^2(\beta) + 2kz_{0a}\sin(\beta) + z_{0a}^2]$$

$$\downarrow = -2[k^2\cos^2(\beta)\cos^2(\alpha) + k^2\cos^2(\beta)\sin^2(\alpha) + k^2\sin^2(\beta) + 2kx_{0a}\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2ky_{0a}\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2kz_{0a}\sin(\beta) + x_{0a}^2 + y_{0a}^2 + z_{0a}^2]$$

$$\cos^2(\alpha) + \sin^2(\alpha) = 1 \quad \cos^2(\beta) + \sin^2(\beta) = 1$$

$$\downarrow = -2[k^2 + 2kx_{0a}\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2ky_{0a}\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2kz_{0a}\sin(\beta)] - 2(x_{0a}^2 + y_{0a}^2 + z_{0a}^2)$$

from $-2(x_{0k}^2 + y_{0k}^2 + z_{0k}^2)$

$$'' = -2[k^2 + 2kx_{0a}\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2ky_{0a}\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2kz_{0a}\sin(\beta)] + 2x_{0a}k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2y_{0a}k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2z_{0a}k\sin(\beta) + 2x_{0b}k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2y_{0b}k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2z_{0b}k\sin(\beta)$$

* Note: $-2 \times 2kz_{0a}\sin(\beta) + 2z_{0a}k\sin(\beta) = -2kz_{0a}\sin(\beta)$ *

$$'' = -2k^2 - 2kx_{0a}\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) - 2ky_{0a}\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) - 2kz_{0a}\sin(\beta) + 2kx_{0b}\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + 2ky_{0b}\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha) + 2kz_{0b}\sin(\beta)$$

$$d^2 - k^2 - L^2 = -2k^2 + 2k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha)[x_{0b} - x_{0a}] + 2k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha)[y_{0b} - y_{0a}] + 2k\sin(\beta)[z_{0b} - z_{0a}]$$

$$d^2 + k^2 - L^2 = 2k\cos(\beta)\cos(\alpha)(x_{0b} - x_{0a}) + 2k\cos(\beta)\sin(\alpha)(y_{0b} - y_{0a}) + 2k\sin(\beta)(z_{0b} - z_{0a})$$

$$d^2 + k^2 - L^2 = [2k\cos(\alpha)(x_{0b} - x_{0a}) + 2k\sin(\alpha)(y_{0b} - y_{0a})]\cos(\beta) + [2k(z_{0b} - z_{0a})]\sin(\beta)$$

$$M\sin(\beta) + N\cos(\beta) = P \rightarrow P = d^2 + k^2 - L^2$$

$$M\sin(\beta) + N\cos(\beta) = r\sin(\beta + \alpha)$$

$$\sin(\beta + \alpha) = \sin(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + \sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta)$$

$$M\sin(\beta) + N\cos(\beta) = r\sin(\beta)\cos(\alpha) + r\sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta)$$

$$M = r\cos(\alpha) \quad N = r\sin(\alpha)$$

$$\cos^2(\alpha) + \sin^2(\alpha) = 1 \rightarrow M^2 + N^2 = r^2\cos^2(\alpha) + r^2\sin^2(\alpha) \rightarrow r = \sqrt{M^2 + N^2}$$

$$\frac{r \sin(\alpha)}{r \cos(\alpha)} = \tan(\alpha) = \frac{N}{M} \longrightarrow \boxed{\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{N}{M}\right)}$$

$$\therefore M \sin(\beta) + N \cos(\beta) = \sqrt{M^2 + N^2} \sin\left(\beta + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{N}{M}\right)\right)$$

$$M \sin(\beta) + N \cos(\beta) = P = d^2 + k^2 - L^2$$

$$\sqrt{M^2 + N^2} \sin\left(\beta + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{N}{M}\right)\right) = P \longrightarrow \sin\left(\beta + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{N}{M}\right)\right) = \frac{P}{\sqrt{M^2 + N^2}}$$

$$\therefore \beta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{P}{\sqrt{M^2 + N^2}}\right) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{N}{M}\right)$$

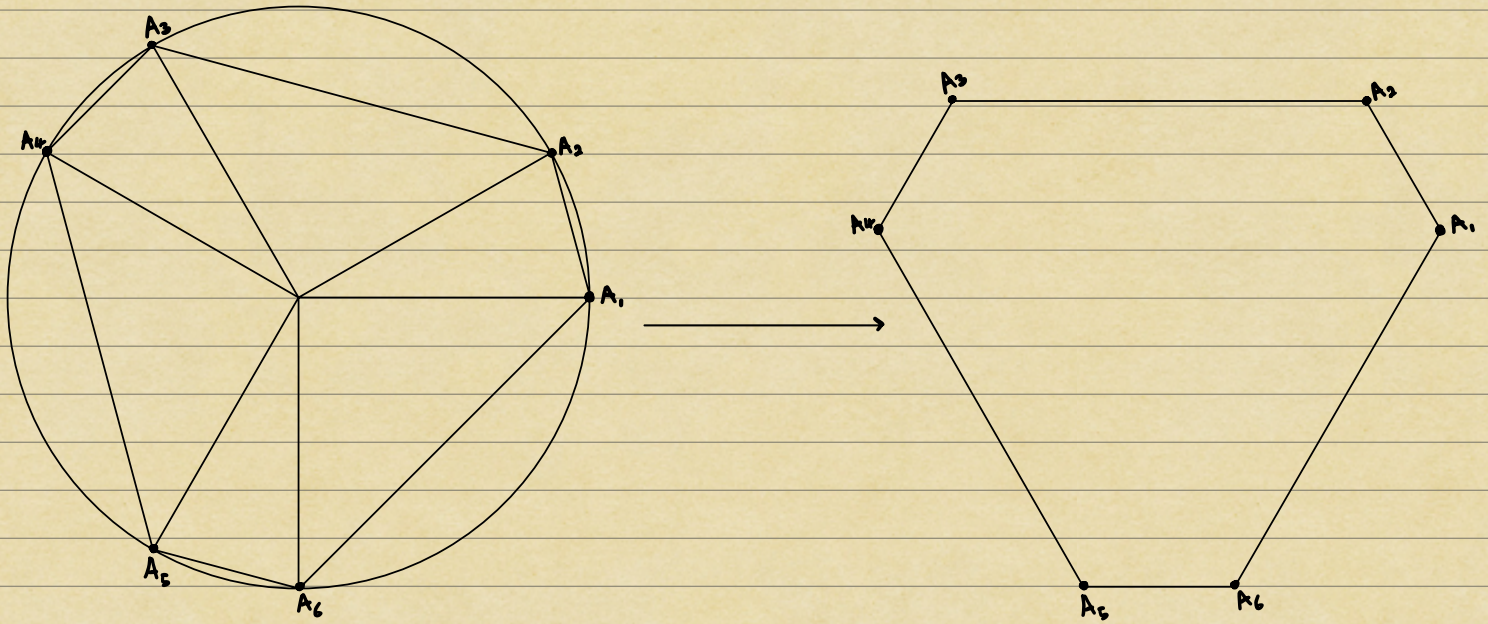
$$P_i = d_i^2 + k^2 - L^2$$

$$N_i = 2k(z_{ob,i} - z_{oa,i})$$

$$M_i = 2k \cos(\alpha_i)(x_{ob,i} - x_{oa,i}) + 2k \sin(\alpha_i)(y_{ob,i} - y_{oa,i})$$

Final Geometry Design

Using a 40° - 80° arrangement for servos:



Real World Constraints

- The servos placed at the corners of the hexagon is not practical
- To make it more feasible, the servos will be placed in pairs along the longest edges of the hexagon

$$\beta_1 = \pi - \beta_1$$

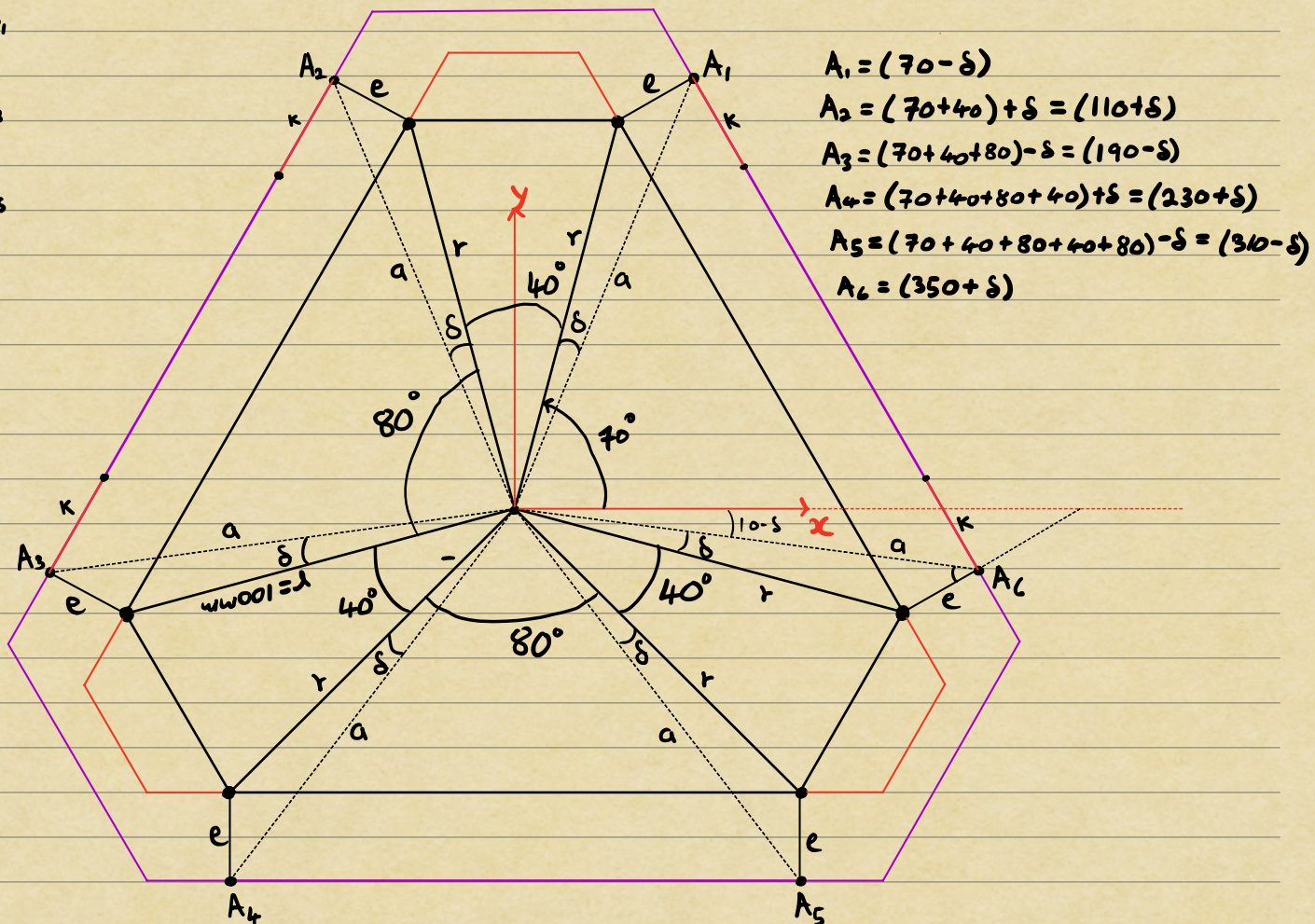
$$\beta_2 = \beta_2$$

$$\beta_3 = \pi - \beta_3$$

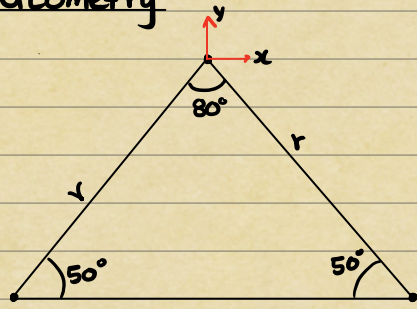
$$\beta_4 = \beta_4$$

$$\beta_5 = \pi - \beta_5$$

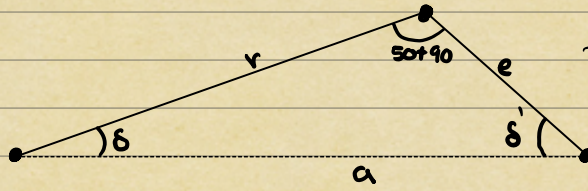
$$\beta_6 = \beta_6$$



Geometry



$$e^2 = r^2 + L^2 - 2rL \cos(\delta)$$



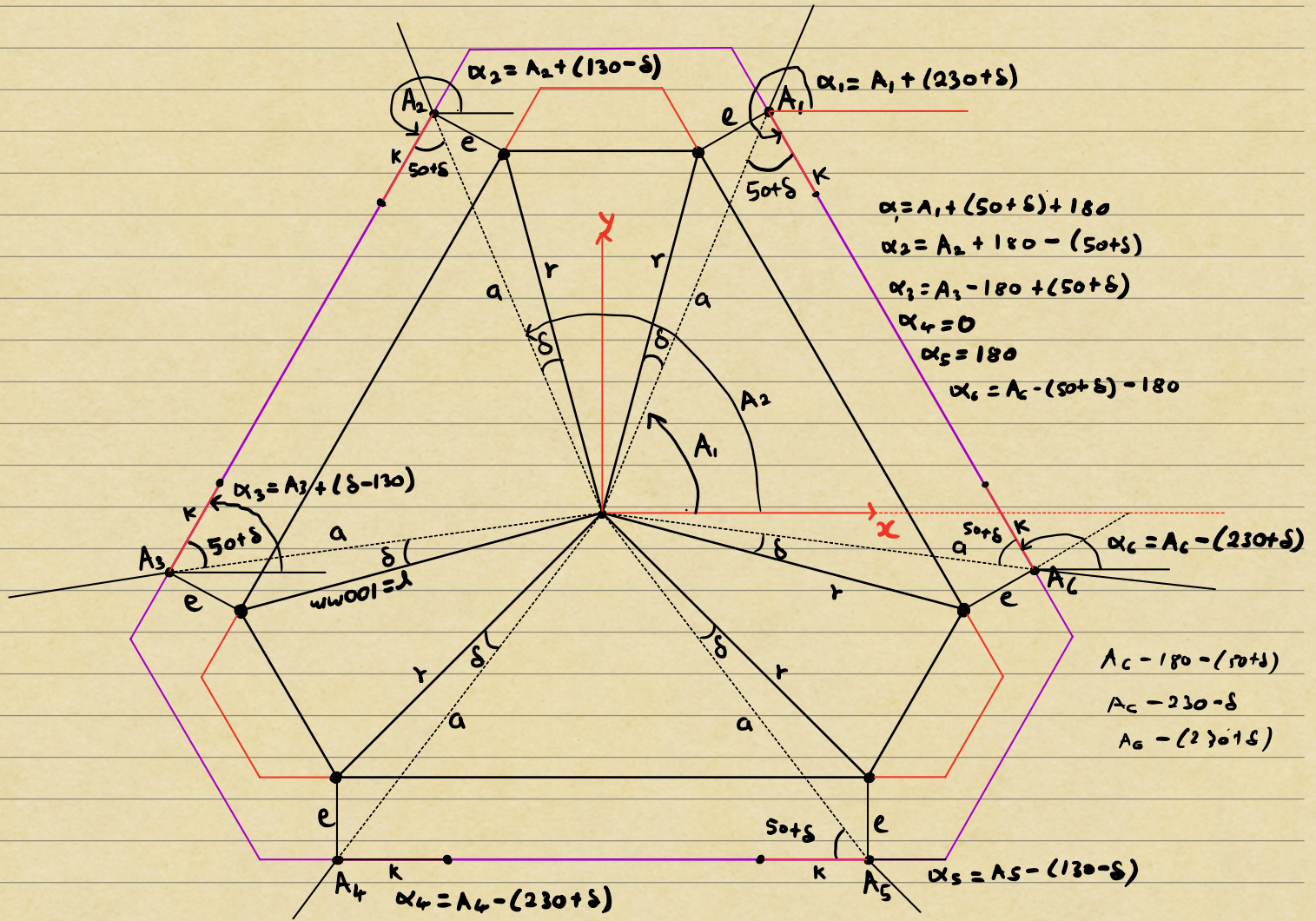
$$\frac{e^2 - r^2 - L^2}{-2rL}$$

$$\frac{r^2 + L^2 - e^2}{2rL}$$

$$a = \sqrt{e^2 + r^2 - 2er \cos(140)}$$

$$\delta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{a^2 + r^2 - e^2}{2ar} \right)$$

→ e is the distance from edge of platform to servo axle
r is the radius of the circle



Angles Summary

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= (70 - \delta)^\circ \\ A_2 &= (110 + \delta)^\circ \\ A_3 &= (190 - \delta)^\circ \\ A_4 &= (230 + \delta)^\circ \\ A_5 &= (310 - \delta)^\circ \\ A_6 &= (350 + \delta)^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= A_1 + (230 + \delta) \\ \alpha_2 &= A_2 + (130 - \delta) \\ \alpha_3 &= A_3 + (\delta - 130) \\ \alpha_4 &= A_4 - (230 + \delta) \\ \alpha_5 &= A_5 - (130 - \delta) \\ \alpha_6 &= A_6 - (230 + \delta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= 300^\circ \\ \alpha_2 &= 240^\circ \\ \alpha_3 &= 60^\circ \\ \alpha_4 &= 0^\circ \\ \alpha_5 &= 180^\circ \\ \alpha_6 &= 120^\circ \end{aligned}$$

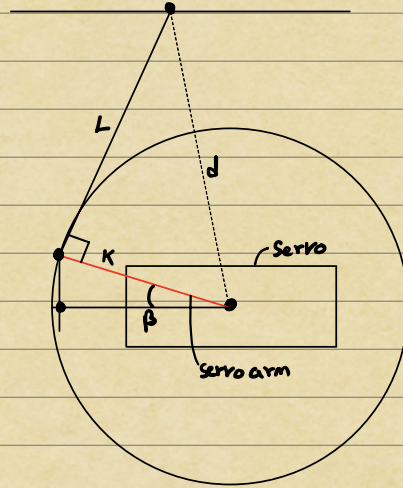
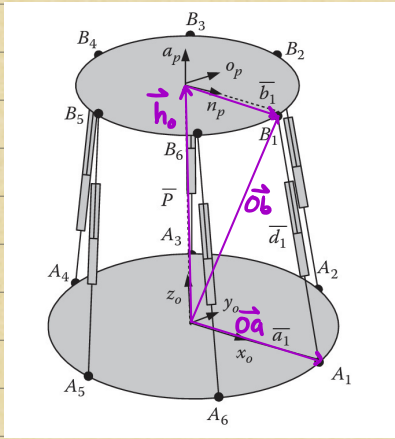
Platform Home Orientation

The "Home" orientation for the platform can be defined with 2 conditions:

- (1. The push-rod is perpendicular to the servo arm

- (2. The platform is level and there are no rotations about the principal x, y, z axes.

Per the above conditions, the "home" pose for the platform can be mathematically as follows:



1. $d^2 = L^2 + K^2$

$$(2. \theta_x = 0 \quad \theta_y = 0 \quad \theta_z = 0 \longrightarrow \bar{p} = p_z = h_0$$

$$|\vec{d}| = -|\vec{oa}| + |\vec{ho}| + |\vec{b}| \longrightarrow \vec{oa} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{oa,i} \\ y_{oa,i} \\ z_{oa,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{b,i} \\ y_{b,i} \\ z_{b,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{h_o} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ h_o \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

d _i x		b _i x		a _i x		0	
d _i y	=	b _i y	-	a _i y	+	0	→ d = √(d _x ² + d _y ² + d _z ²) = √((x _{b,i} - x _{oa,i}) ² + (y _{b,i} - y _{oa,i}) ² + (z _{b,i} - z _{oa,i} + h _o) ²)
d _i z		b _i z		a _i z		h _o	
1		1		1		1	

$$d^2 = L^2 + k^2 \longrightarrow L^2 + k^2 = (x_{b,i} - x_{oa,i})^2 + (y_{b,i} - y_{oa,i})^2 + (z_{b,i} - z_{oa,i} + h_o)^2$$

$$(Z_{b,i} - Z_{oa,i} + h_o)^2 = L^2 + K^2 - (x_{b,i} - x_{oa,i})^2 - (y_{b,i} - y_{oa,i})^2$$

$$\therefore h_o = \sqrt{L^2 + K^2 - (x_{b,i} - x_{oa,i})^2 - (y_{b,i} - y_{oa,i})^2} + (z_{oa,i} - z_{b,i}) \quad \text{--- } z_{oa} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{0,i} \\ y_{0,i} \\ z_{0,i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} + R \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,i} \\ y_{1,i} \\ z_{1,i} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M \sin(\beta) + N \cos(\beta) = P \quad \longrightarrow \quad P = \sqrt{J^2 + K^2} - L^2$$

$$Z_{ob} = h_o \longrightarrow M_{o,i} = 2K(h_o - Z_{ou})$$

$$N_{o,i} = 2K \cos(\alpha_i) (x_{ob} - x_{oa,i}) + 2K \sin(\alpha_i) (y_{ob} - y_{oa,i})$$

$$\beta_0 = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{p}{\sqrt{M_{0,i}^2 + N_{0,i}^2}} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{N_{0,i}}{M_{0,i}} \right)$$

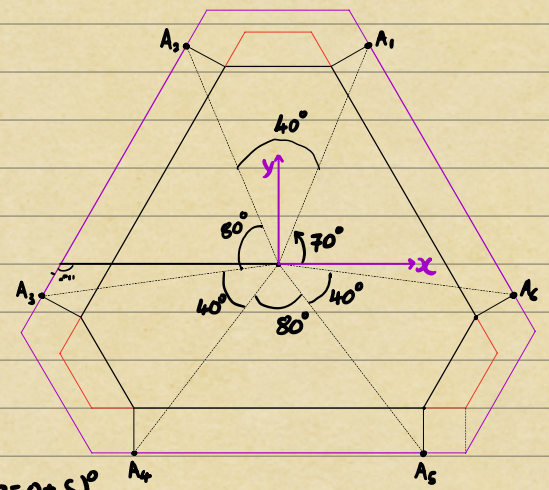
Calculation Summary

$$\bar{P} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{a} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{oa,i} \\ y_{oa,i} \\ z_{oa,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{b} = R_x R_y R_z \begin{bmatrix} x_{b,i} \\ y_{b,i} \\ z_{b,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_{oa,i} = a \cos(A_i) \rightarrow a = 100 \text{ mm}$$

$$A_1 = (70 - \delta)^\circ, A_2 = (110 + \delta)^\circ, A_3 = (190 - \delta)^\circ, A_4 = (230 + \delta)^\circ, A_5 = (310 - \delta)^\circ, A_6 = (350 + \delta)^\circ$$

$$x_{ob,i} = b \sin(B_i) \rightarrow b = 82.156 \text{ mm}$$



$$L = 116.1185 \text{ mm}$$

$$\delta = 6.38829^\circ$$

$$A_1 = 63.6117^\circ$$

$$B_1 = 85.451^\circ, B_2 = 94.549^\circ, B_3 = 205.451^\circ, B_4 = 214.549^\circ, B_5 = 325.451^\circ, B_6 = 334.549^\circ \rightarrow \text{Small edge}$$

$$B_1 = 37.95^\circ, B_2 = 142.05^\circ, B_3 = 157.95^\circ, B_4 = 262.05^\circ, B_5 = 277.95^\circ, B_6 = 22.05^\circ \rightarrow \text{Modified Long edge}$$

$$a^2 = e^2 + r^2 - 2er \cos(140) \rightarrow \delta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{a^2 + r^2 - e^2}{2ar} \right) \rightarrow e \text{ is the distance from edge of platform to servo axle}$$

$e = 22.55 \text{ mm}$ $r = 100 \text{ mm}$ $k = 24 \text{ mm}$

$\rightarrow r$ is the radius of the circle

$$\begin{bmatrix} d_{ix} \\ d_{iy} \\ d_{iz} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + R_x R_y R_z \begin{bmatrix} x_{b,i} \\ y_{b,i} \\ z_{b,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} x_{oa,i} \\ y_{oa,i} \\ z_{oa,i} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow d_i = \sqrt{d_{x,i}^2 + d_{y,i}^2 + d_{z,i}^2} \quad \text{Leg Lengths}$$

Servo Angle:

$$P = d^2 + k^2 - L^2$$

$$N_i = 2k \cos(\alpha_i) (x_{ob} - x_{oa,i}) + 2k \sin(\alpha_i) (y_{ob} - y_{oa,i})$$

$$M_i = 2k (z_{ob} - z_{oa,i})$$

$$\therefore \beta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{P}{\sqrt{M_i^2 + N_i^2}} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{N_i}{M_i} \right) \rightarrow \begin{aligned} &\bullet d: \text{Leg Length} \\ &\bullet k: \text{Servo arm length} \\ &\bullet L: \text{Connecting rod length} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= 300^\circ \\ \alpha_2 &= 240^\circ \\ \alpha_3 &= 60^\circ \\ \alpha_4 &= 0^\circ \\ \alpha_5 &= 180^\circ \\ \alpha_6 &= 120^\circ \end{aligned}$$

• Home Pose:

$$P_x = 0, P_y = 0, P_z = h_0, \theta_x = 0, \theta_y = 0, \theta_z = 0$$

$$\therefore h_0 = \sqrt{L^2 + k^2 - (x_{b,i} - x_{oa,i})^2 - (y_{b,i} - y_{oa,i})^2 + (z_{oa,i} - z_{b,i})^2}$$

Platform home height

• Home Servo Angle:

$$M_{0,i} = 2k (h_0 - z_{oa,i})$$

$$N_{0,i} = 2k \cos(\alpha_i) (x_{ob} - x_{oa,i}) + 2k \sin(\alpha_i) (y_{ob} - y_{oa,i})$$

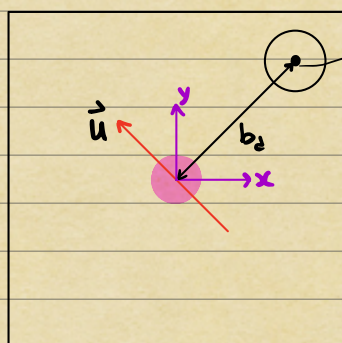
$$\alpha_i = M_i - 90$$

$$\beta_0 = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{P}{\sqrt{M_{0,i}^2 + N_{0,i}^2}} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{N_{0,i}}{M_{0,i}} \right)$$

$$d_0 = \sqrt{(x_{b,i} - x_{oa,i})^2 + (y_{b,i} - y_{oa,i})^2 + (z_{b,i} - z_{oa,i} + h_0)^2}$$

Ball Balancing

In order to get the ball to the centre of the platform, the platform must be rotated about an axis perpendicular to a line from the origin to the ball. Given that the x, y position of the ball is known, a unit vector representing the required rotation axis can be derived mathematically.



$$b_d = \sqrt{(x_b - 0)^2 + (y_b - 0)^2}$$

• Consider line b_d : $m_{b_d} = \frac{(y_b - 0)}{(x_b - 0)} = \frac{y_b}{x_b}$ $\rightarrow$ Gradient

• Line b_d is perpendicular to the required axis of rotation:

$$m_{b_d} \times m_u = -1 \rightarrow m_u = \frac{-1}{m_{b_d}} = \frac{-1}{\frac{y_b}{x_b}} = -\frac{x_b}{y_b}$$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of the axis: } y - y_1 = m_a(x - x_1) \rightarrow \boxed{y = -\frac{x_b}{y_b}x}$$

• The desired axis of rotation is a unit vector:

$$\vec{u} = u_x \hat{i} + u_y \hat{j} \rightarrow |\vec{u}| = \sqrt{u_x^2 + u_y^2} = 1$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \rightarrow \tan(\theta) = m \rightarrow \frac{u_y}{u_x} = \tan(\theta) = m_u \quad a^2 + a^2 m_a^2$$

$$\frac{u_y}{u_x} = -\frac{x_b}{y_b} \rightarrow u_y = -\frac{u_x x_b}{y_b} = m_u u_x$$

$$\sqrt{u_x^2 + u_x^2 m_u^2} = 1 \rightarrow u_x^2 (1 + m_u^2) = 1^2 \rightarrow u_x^2 = \frac{1}{(1 + m_u^2)} \rightarrow \boxed{u_x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 + \frac{x_b^2}{y_b^2})}}} \quad \boxed{u_y = -\frac{u_x x_b}{y_b}}$$

$$\vec{u} = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 + \frac{x_b^2}{y_b^2})}} \left(\hat{i} - \frac{x_b}{y_b} \hat{j} \right) \rightarrow \text{The Sign of the axis unit vector components can be Chosen based on the quadrant the ball is in.}$$

Quaternion Representation

Quaternions are 4-dimensional mathematical objects that can be used to represent rotations. They are closely related to the axis-angle representation. The structure of a quaternion is as follows:

$$q = q_0 + q_1 \hat{i} + q_2 \hat{j} + q_3 \hat{k}$$

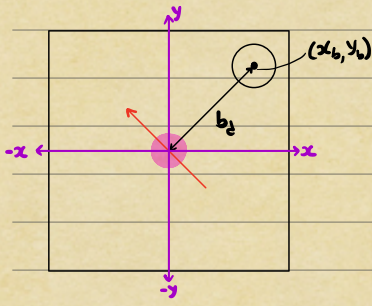
A rotation quaternion can be obtained from the axis-angle representation:

$$\vec{u} = u_x \hat{i} + u_y \hat{j} + u_z \hat{k}$$

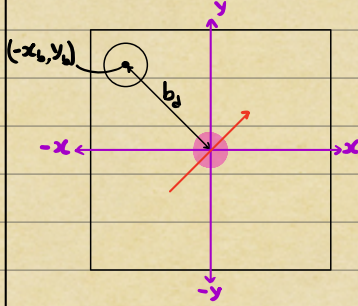
$$q_1 = u_x \sin\left(\frac{\theta_u}{2}\right) \quad q_2 = u_y \sin\left(\frac{\theta_u}{2}\right) \quad q_3 = u_z \sin\left(\frac{\theta_u}{2}\right) \quad q_0 = \cos\left(\frac{\theta_u}{2}\right) \rightarrow \frac{\theta_u}{2} = \theta$$

$$\therefore \boxed{q = u_x \sin(\theta) \hat{i} + u_y \sin(\theta) \hat{j} + u_z \sin(\theta) \hat{k} + \cos(\theta)}$$

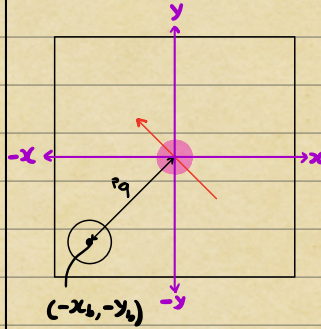
Case 1


 $-u_x + \Theta$

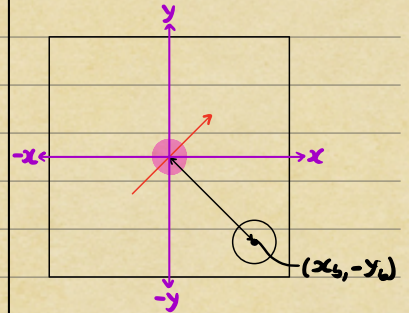
Case 2


 $+u_x - \Theta$

Case 3


 $-u_x - \Theta$

Case 4


 $+u_x + \Theta$

Converting Quaternion to an equivalent Rotation Matrix

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} (q_0^2 + q_1^2 - q_2^2 - q_3^2) & (2q_1q_2 - 2q_0q_3) & (2q_1q_3 + 2q_0q_2) \\ (2q_1q_2 + 2q_0q_3) & (q_0^2 - q_1^2 + q_2^2 - q_3^2) & (2q_2q_3 - 2q_0q_1) \\ (2q_1q_3 - 2q_0q_2) & (2q_2q_3 + 2q_0q_1) & (q_0^2 - q_1^2 - q_2^2 + q_3^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

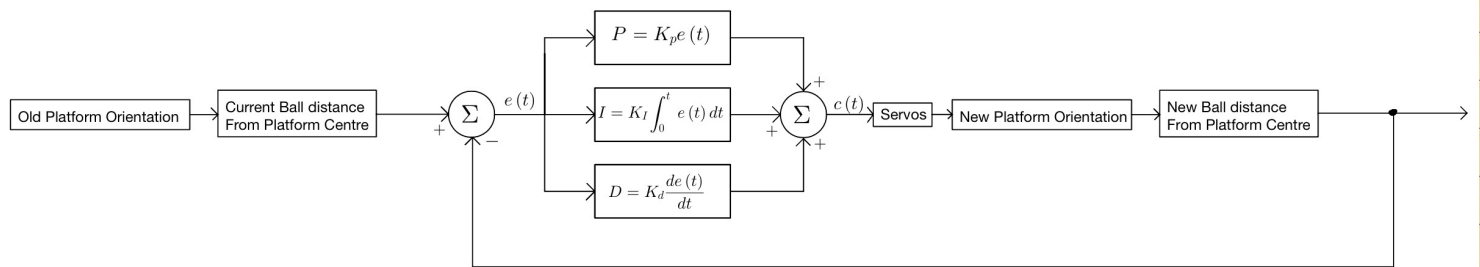
Platform Control System

- PID control will be utilized to keep the ball at the centre of the platform

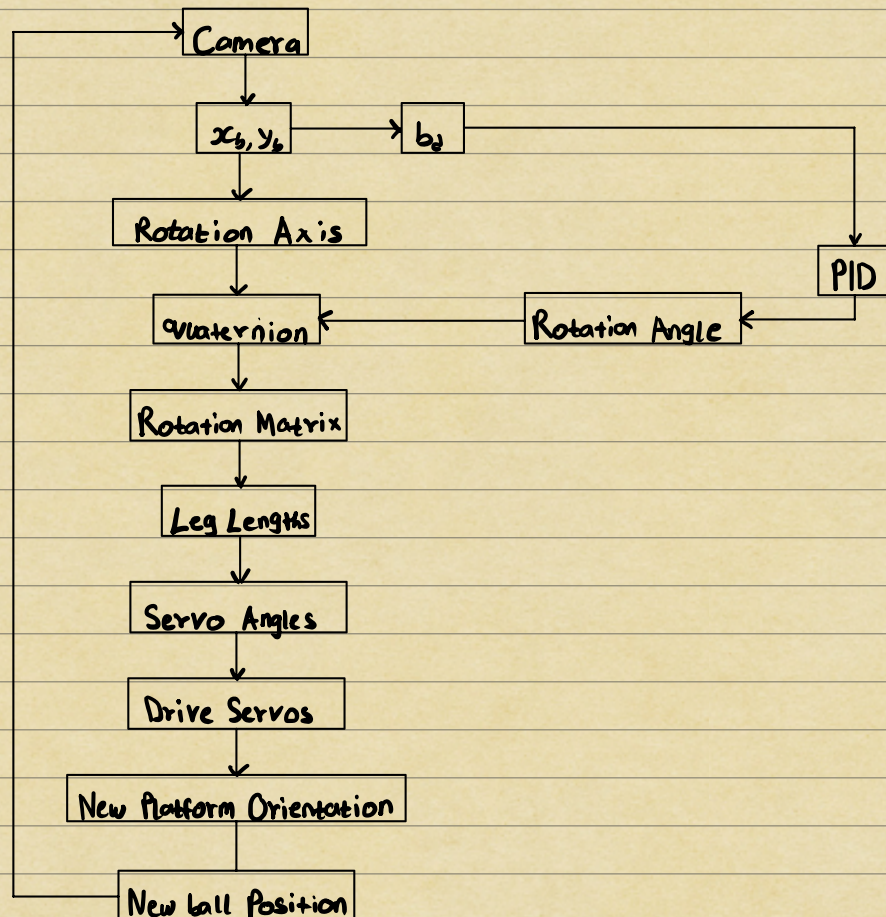
- There are 2 approaches that could be used to design the control system:

1. Quaternion based PID:- Computes 1 axis of rotation required for the ball to get to the centre
- Requires the Euclidian distance of the centre of the ball to the platform centre as the control input.

2. Rotation matrix based PID:- Requires 2 separate PID's to control the ball's x and y position
- Uses a Rotation about the x-axis and rotation about the y-axis to control the platform.



Algorithm Structure



Computer Vision

Object detection is comprised of 3 processes:

- (1. Object is acknowledged/detected)
- (2. Object is classified (object type))
- (3. Object is localized (bounding box))

Generally, modern object detection algorithms use Convolutional Neural Networks to process images. The network needs to be trained with input data.

Training

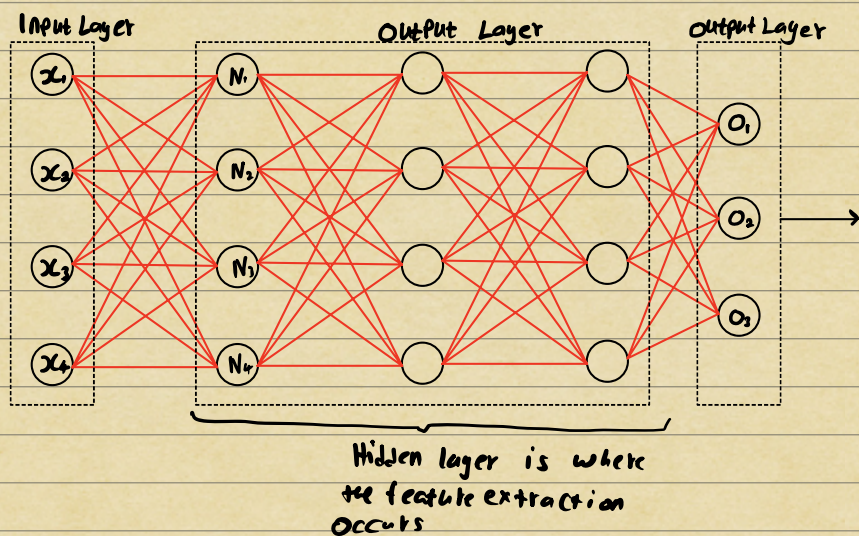
The network is fed with images that have:

- (1. the desired objects with manually drawn bounding boxes)
- (2. Object classes specified.

The CNN takes in inputs of images and outputs a vector in the following form:

P_c		Probability of the class
x_c		x-coordinate of bounding box centre
y_c	=	y-coordinate of bounding box centre
B_w		Bounding box width
B_h		Bounding box height
C_1		Object class 1
C_2		Object class 2

Hence, the training images with bounding boxes must be converted to the above format.

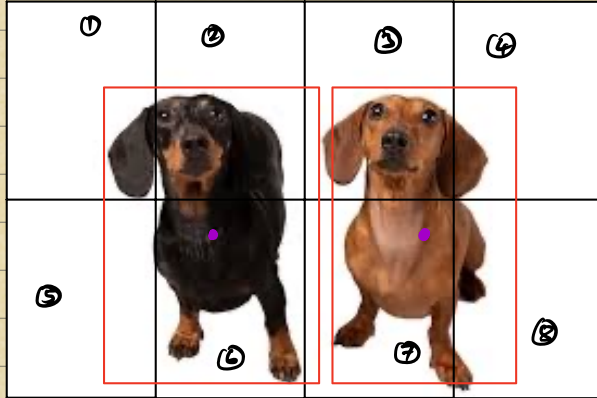


YOLO (You Only Look Once) Algorithm

- Divides the image into grid segments

- A vector is defined for each grid cell

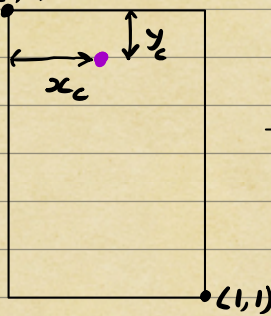
- Only grid cells that contain bounding box centres have a vector with a class probability greater than zero.



e.g cell 1:

0
-
-
-
-
-
-
-

Cell 6: (0,0)



→

P_c	1
x_c	x_c
y_c	y_c
B_w	1
B_h	1
C_1	1
C_2	0

↖ class 1

