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ABSTRACT

In recently, humanoid robots and autonomous vehicles are two famous and challenging fields. Many people focus on automation and intelligence, and desire to apply their expectations for the future to reality. From the perspective of general-purpose robots, the humanoid robots are capable of naturally operating in any real environment. That includes the humanoid robot operates the vehicles, which is an interesting challenge for the state-of-the-art in both fields.

The contribution of this thesis is operating a two-wheeled electric scooter in reality by using large sized humanoid robot. The inverses kinematic for operating the two-wheeled electric scooter in large sized humanoid robot is applied in four different inverse kinematic method and find the optimal solution to operating the steering motion. The different inverse kinematic includes Jacobian pseudo inverse kinematic, PSO inverse kinematic, hybrid inverse kinematic using Jacobian pseudo and PSO, and the Jacobian pseudo inverse kinematic with momentum. By using hybrid inverse kinematic method, a high efficiency motion result can be obtained, and combines the low computational time of iteration method, Jacobian pseudo inverse kinematic with momentum, we successfully have a fast inverse kinematic in an efficient motion planning.

To adapt the robot-scoot system, a 3D model for throttle and emergency brake system was developed, and implement a PID controller from physics-based simulation environments in previous work [34] to reality. Therefore, the robot-scoot system is applied fast inverse kinematic and PID controller for the balancing test. The result of steering motion is under the restrictions from our robot servo.

Keywords: Humanoid Robot, Two-Wheeled Vehicles, Inverse Kinematic, PID, PSO

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List of Symbols

ML	Machine Learning
DL	Deep Learning
RL	Reinforcement Learning
PID	Proportional-Integral-Derivative
TWV	Two-wheeled Vehicles
FWV	Four-wheeled Vehicles
D-H	Denavit-Hartenberg
FK	Forward Kinematics
IK	Inverse Kinematics
EE	End Effector
PSO	Particle Swarm Optimization



Chapter 1. Introduction

1.1 Background and Motivation

1.1.1 Background

Humanoid robots have become an emerging and challenging research field during the past years and played a central role in robotics research and many applications. Since 1927, Herbert Televox, was the first ever humanoid robot, built by Ron Wensley. It made people start imaging the humanoid robots to be general-purpose robots. In [1], three main essential features of humanoid robots are declared as follows:

- (i) Humanoid robots can work in the built-for-human environment.
- (ii) Humanoid robots can use humans' tools.
- (iii) Humanoid robots have a shape similar physical structures to actual humans, such as a torso with a head, two arms, and two legs.

As mention, humanoid robots are designed to be human like. Moreover, people expect humanoid robot can be general-purpose robot, not only human like but also act like human. From the view above, humanoid robots are more suitable for co-existing with people in an environment than other types of robots [3,4].

In nowadays, the development of deep learning [2], which make complex tasks are possible to be solved with heuristic data or limited knowledge. It enables people to tackle long-standing challenges in wide variety of fields, from chemistry to medicine and engineering. People also start making a toward challenges that the humanoid robot drive the two wheeled vehicles. The function of two wheeled vehicles, such as bicycles and motorcycles, are very different from four-wheeled vehicles. Two-wheeled vehicles are not self-stable when it's not moving or in low speed. Humanoid robot controlling the two wheeled vehicles will be an interesting issue and may prove a valuable benchmark regarding the state-of-the-art in control.

The study topic uses the large-sized humanoid robotic THORMANG3 and a commercially available electric scooter which manufactured by the Gogoro company¹. In Figure 1.1 shows the THORMANG3 and Gogoro scooter.

¹ <https://www.gogoro.com/tw/>



Figure 1.1: THORMANG3 robot on the Gogoro scooter.

1.1.2 Motivation

To manipulate humanoid robot operating a two-wheeled vehicle and balance when vehicle is moving in a floating speed range, a considerable degree of precision is required to apply the correct steering and an efficient movement of steering action is critical to a real time robot-scooter system which need to react as fast and efficiency as possible.

In this thesis, the purpose is using different poses of robot arm and optimize the solution for robot arm operating the two-wheeled electric scooter. For instance, a robot arm that more than two-link joint has more than one answer can achieve to the desired position. However, the different poses may have their efficiency direction to move. Figure 1.2 shows the efficiency value in different poses when all joint rotate counterclockwise. The dashed line direction is corresponding to its link color and it is computed by link movement in 0.1 radians (~ 5 degrees) effects to EE, and the length of dashed line is the magnitude of movement. The black dashed line combines all the component of the link movement, and the length of line means the efficiency value to this direction.

Moreover, the Figure 1.3 shows three different poses that add the white noise with μ is 0 and σ is 0.2, $N(0,0.2)$, into the joint value and plot the EE with the blue point to see how sensitivity to noise it takes from the pose. In hence, we can observe different poses resist to the noise from the blue point range from the result in Figure 1.3, and the Figure 1.3 (c) is more resistance to the noise due to the blue points are more concentrated.

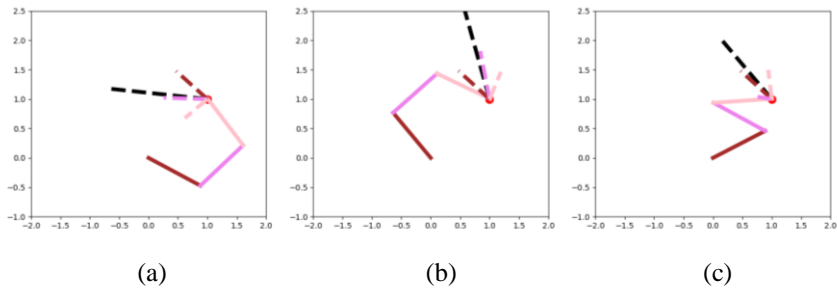


Figure 1.2 : Three different poses and their efficiency direction with all joint do counterclockwise rotation.

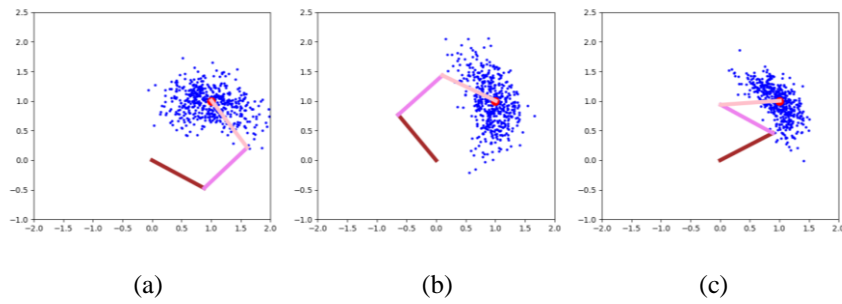


Figure 1.3 : Three different poses and their sensitivity to noise.

However, each link could have two direction to move, counterclockwise and clockwise. By computing all the possible condition, the maximum value of efficiency and each link of movement are show in Figure 1.4. Thus, the black dashed line and its opposite side are the most efficiency direction to move in their pose. And the examples are not consider the IK constrain about collision but only for visualising the efficiency direction and sensitivity to noise.

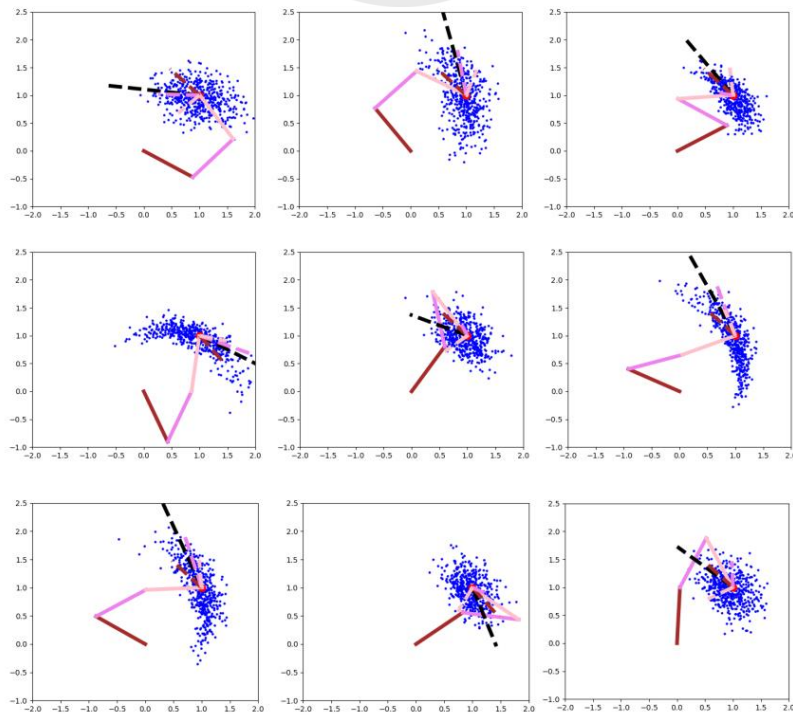


Figure 1.4 : Nine different poses with their most efficiency direction and sensitivity to noise.

1.2 Research Aim and Objectives

1.2.1 Research Aim

In order to fulfill the desire for general-purpose robotics it is necessary to be able adapt and perform in a wide range of human environments and tasks. An interesting task that has not been widely discussed in past research is humanoid robotic operation of two-wheeled vehicles. The main work is large-sized humanoid robotic operating an electric scooter.

1.2.2 Objective

- Develop a 3D object to assist humanoid robot operating the throttle of electric scooter.
- Develop a throttle limited to guarantee the range of acceleration.
- Develop an emergency brake system to interrupt the operation and stop the electric scooter.
- Develop a steering-based PID controller to balance the robot-scooter system.
- Develop different inverse kinematics for humanoid robot steering motion.
- Evaluate, compare and discuss the method and results on different inverse kinematics.
- Apply developed IK in real robot and compare revolving restriction to actuator.

1.3 Structure of the Thesis

The rest of the thesis is organized as follows. Chapter 2 presented an overview of the literature review on two-wheeled vehicle dynamics, inverse kinematics and PSO algorithm. Chapter 3 describes the methodology of a humanoid robotic operates an electric scooter, which illustrates the specification of large-sized humanoid robotic THORMANG3 and electric scooter Gogoro scooter. Moreover, Chapter 3 describes the robot-scooter system fix 3D objects for robot-scooter to do emergency break and throttle in low speed range, the target position for humanoid robot operates scooter steering motion, PID controller, forward kinematics and difference method of inverse kinematics, including Jacobian pseudo IK, PSO IK, hybrid IK and Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum method to control humanoid robot operating the electric scooter. Chapter 4 provides the experiment results of Jacobian pseudo IK, PSO IK, hybrid IK and Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum method, comparing results from Jacobian pseudo IK and Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum, evaluating Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum to optimal solution from hybrid IK results with efficiency steering motion. Then, comparing the result of PID in simulation with reality result, and the robot servo restriction. Chapter 5 shows the conclusion and future work.

Chapter 2. Literature Review

2.1 Two-wheeled Vehicle Dynamics

Compare with four-wheeled vehicles, two-wheeled vehicles are more difficult to keep balance according to its designed structures. Two-wheeled vehicles required continuous input to maintain stability [5]. In addition, due to the dynamics of the system [6], the two-wheeled vehicles can get into self-stable when the speed is higher than 5 m/s. However, reaching the high speed with the self-stable range means riskier if the controller applies with unexpected small error for steering commands, the momentum will effort to the system and flip over the two-wheeled vehicles immediately. It is necessary to have an accuracy balancing controller for control the two-wheeled vehicles.

In the literature, balancing controllers can be classified into three main categories [7].

- (i) Controlling balance by controlling the steering angle [8-11].
- (ii) Controlling balance by changing the center of mass [12-14].
- (iii) Controlling balance by flywheel [15,16].

Steering based controller in (i), which aims to achieve balance by controlling the angle of the steering bar handle. Manipulate the center of mass in (ii), which usually consists in installing a balancer subsystem that can manipulating the rod of mass. And the flywheel system in (iii), which certainly important and relevant to the research community but not align with our goal of having a humanoid robot operates two-wheeled vehicle. In (ii), if consider the robot to be a center of mass controller as well, the robot's upper body is analogous to rod of mass in such system. However, the robot has to be fix on the scooter as shown in figure 3.6 which incapacitated the robot by the safety factor and required effective observation data from robot sensors be reliable to estimate the pose of robot-scooter system. As stated above, steering-based (i) controller applied to a robot-scooter system is important.

As indicated that the robot fixed on the scooter, the robot-scooter system can model as an inverted pendulum model [17]. The model can be seen in Figure 2.1, where the mass of the bicycle is concentrated at a specific point, located at a height h above the ground level and at a distance d from the rear-wheel. R is the turning radius, α is the front-wheel angle, θ is the roll angle, w is the wheelbase, ψ is the rear-wheel yaw angle and the pair (x,y) are the Cartesian coordinates of the bicycle displacement. In this type of model, it's possible to design a steering controller to stabilize the system such as in [18].

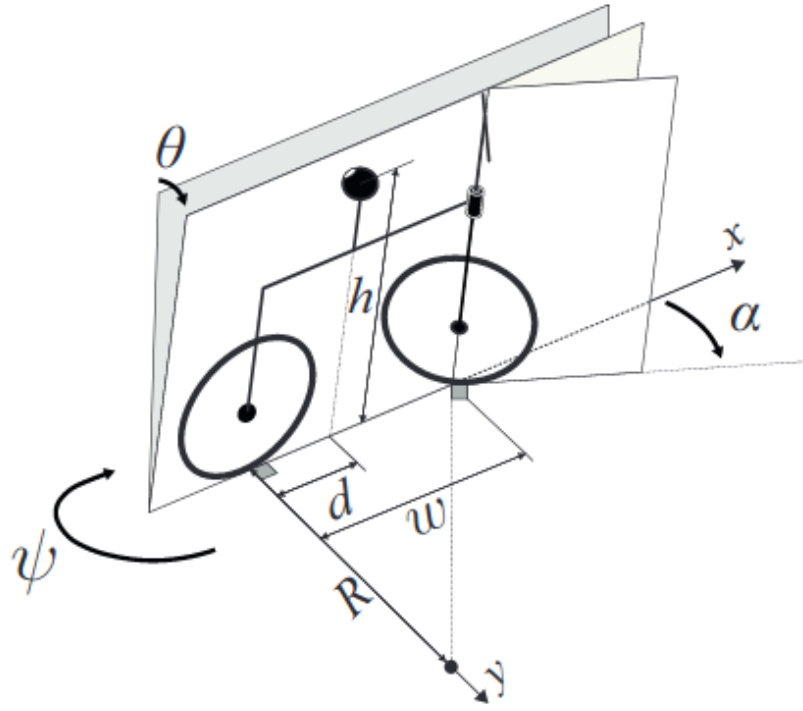


Figure 2.1: Bicycle modeled as an inverted pendulum model [17].

In [19], a dynamics of bicycle system is greatly analyzed including higher-order and non-linear models. From Figure 2.2, we can infer that the angular velocity around the vertical z axis is $\omega = \frac{V\delta}{b}$. And the bicycle momentum can be computed as below:

$$(2.1) \quad J \frac{d^2\varphi}{dt^2} - mgh\varphi = \frac{DV}{b} \frac{d\delta}{dt} + \frac{mV^2h}{b} \delta.$$

Where J is the moment of inertia with respect to the x-axis, and $D = -J_{xz}$ is the inertia product with respect to the xz axes, m is the total mass of the system, a is the distance from center of mass to center of rear wheel, b is the distance between center of front wheel and rear wheel, V is the velocity along the x axis, h is the distance from the center of mass to the ground, δ is the steering angle, and φ is the roll angle.

Apply the control law (2.2) for this model, and k gain from [19] analysis is required $k > \frac{bg}{V^2}$ to stable the system.

$$\delta = -k\varphi \quad (2.2)$$

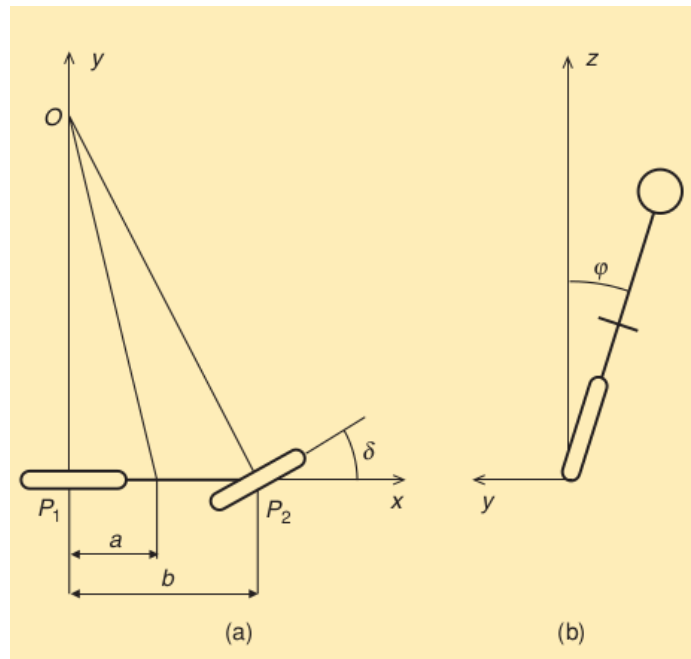


Figure 2.2: (a) Top view and (b) front view of bicycle model.

2.2 Inverse Kinematics

For humanoid robot operating a scooter, high accuracy and low time cost motion are necessary to make an efficiency effect to the robot-scooter system. To reach high accuracy and low time cost, inverse kinematics is the solution of robot motion planning [20]. In addition, the author mentions some relative work for knowing the limitation before starting inverse kinematics. In [21], the target is in reachable or non-reachable and its work space should be clarified as shown in Figure 2.3. Once the robot model has been defined, it can locate the end effector position by forward kinematic, and the inverse kinematic method can decide the appropriate joint value that can move the end effector to desired target position.

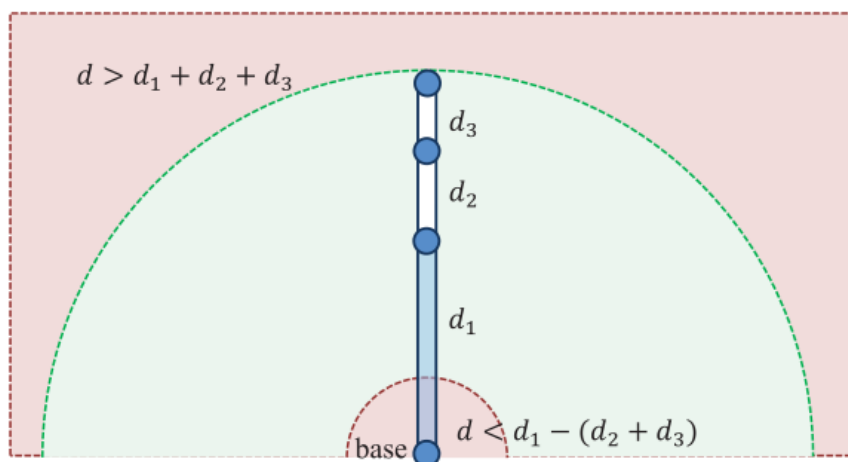


Figure 2.3: The reachable and unreachable cases of IK problem. The reachable target position should be between $d_1 + d_2 + d_3$ and $d_1 - (d_2 + d_3)$ [21].

To build the kinematic model for our robot arm, the most popular approach is used Denavit-Hartenberg [22] to represent the kinematic structure and this approach also calculate the end effector with knowing joints angle values. The concept of inverse kinematic method is when a target was set and calculate backward from the target. Inverse kinematic methods are classified to four methods:

- **Analytical Methods:** Analytical methods are meant to find all possible solutions as a function of structure is given, show as Figure 2.4.
- **Numerical Methods:** Numerical methods are using iterations to achieve a satisfactory solution by a cost function, the difference between end effector and target. The numerical methods can be divided into three categories: Jacobian, Newton and Heuristic method. In general, Jacobian and Heuristic method are most often used.[22,23]
- **Learned Methods:** Learned methods can divide into two groups: the error-based and the example-based method. Error-based methods improve the inverse kinematic estimate that is used to reach the desired target position. Example-based methods use example configuration data for learning the inverse kinematic estimate. In recently, the deep learning methods are amount used to inverses kinematic research.[24,25]
- **Hybrid methods:** Hybrid methods combines two or more methods to solve inverse kinematic problem that can reduce the computation times and eliminate error as possible.[26,27,28,29]

An analytical method of a two-link kinematic have two lengths l_1 and l_2 and the target position with (x, y) . The joint angles can be determined as:

$$\theta_1 = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{l_1^2 + x^2 + y^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1 \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right) \quad (2.2)$$

and

$$\theta_2 = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{l_1^2 + l_2^2 - (x^2 + y^2)}{2l_1 l_2} \right) \quad (2.3)$$

In Figure 2.4, it's obvious there are two possible solutions can reach the target position (x, y) .

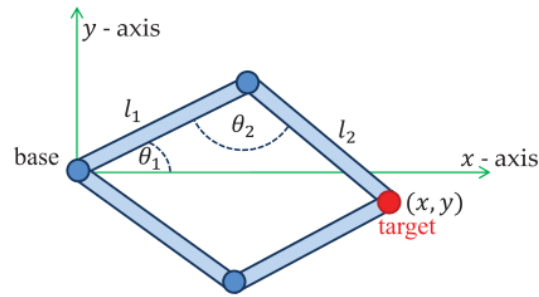


Figure 2.4: An analytical method of a two-link kinematic.

The Jacobian methods offer a linear approximation to the inverse kinematics problem. The Jacobian matrix J can be described as:

$$J(\theta)_{ij} = \left(\frac{\partial s_i}{\partial \theta_j} \right) \quad (2.4)$$

Where $i = 1, \dots, k$ and $j = 1, \dots, n$, the k is the number of end effector and the n is the number of joints. Thus, the Jacobian matrix J should be a $k \times n$ matrix which the vectors of end effector (s_i) effected by a small changed with joints value (θ_j). Therefore, the Jacobian matrix J , which is a linear approximation formula, can be consider as a coordinates matrix and move the end effector to the target position. In Figure 2.5, the linear approximation of the actual motion has the error, then using iterations to obtain a satisfactory solution to correct the error.

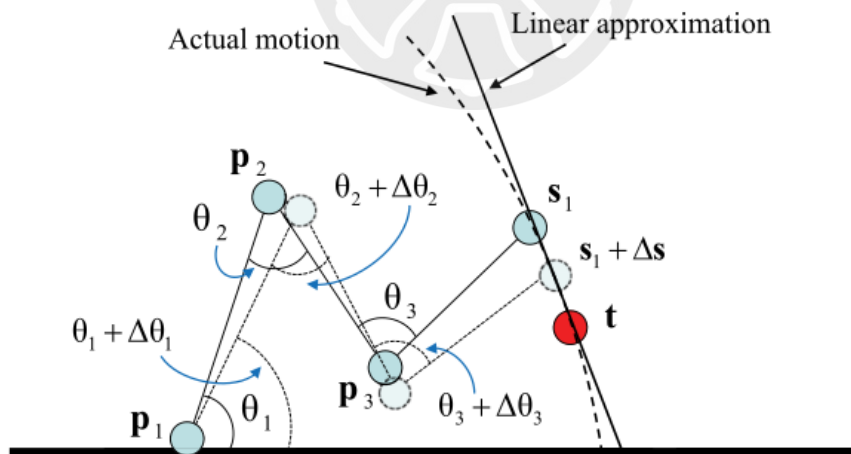


Figure 2.5: The linear approximation of the actual motion.

2.3 Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)

PSO algorithm [33], which is a computational method that optimizes a problem. By having the group of particles with random initial speed vector and evaluate personal best and global best, the particles update speed vector in each generation until reach the target. The Figure 2.7 shows the flow chat of PSO algorithm.

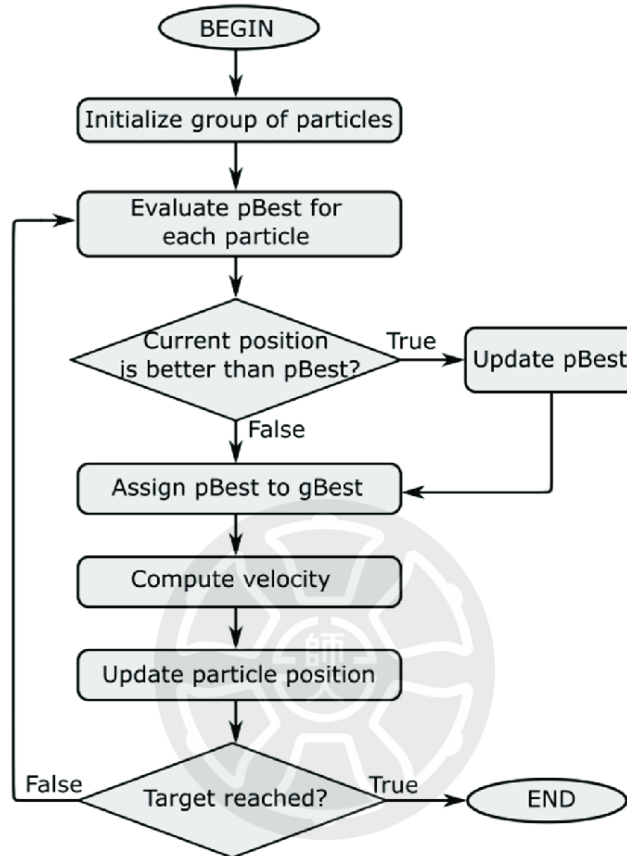


Figure 2.7: The flow chart of PSO algorithm, the particles update in each generation until reach the target.

The particle behavior in a PSO can be modeled as:

$$V_i(t + 1) = w \times V_i(t) + c_1 \times rand() \times (pbest_i - x_i(t)) + c_2 \times rnad() \times (Gbest - x_i(t)) \quad (2.7)$$

$$x_i(t + 1) = x_i(t) + v_i(t + 1) \quad (2.8)$$

c_1 and c_2 are acceleration constants, $rand()$ is random number between 0 and 1, w is inertia weight factor, $Gbest$ is the best previous position among all the particles and $pbest$ is the best previous position of particle i .

Chapter 3. Methodology

3.1 The Robot - THORMANG3

The robot used in this paper was a humanoid robot THORMANG3 (Tactical Hazardous Operations Robot3), shows in Figure 3.1. THORMANG3 is a full-size commercially available humanoid robot developed by the Korean company ROBOTIS². It has two Intel NUC computers, DLink DIR-806A wireless router, 29 degrees of freedom (DoF), a MicroStrain 3DM-GX4-25 IMU and several other sensors. Table 3.1 shows the complete specifications of THORMANG3, and Figure 3.2 Shows a complete diagram of THORMANG3 system and interfaces. THORMANG3 is a full-size humanoid robot has a bit over 137 centimeters of height, it is a suitable size to sit on the scooter and manipulate the steering handle as human-like behavior.



Figure 3.1: THORMANG3: Tactical Hazardous Operations Robot 3.

Degrees of Freedom	29
Actuator	200W x 10 / 100W x 11 / 20W x 8
Computer	Intel NUC (i5 Processor) – 8GB RAM DDR4 x 2
Wireless Router	DLink DIR-806A
Camera	Logitech C920 HD Camera
LiDAR	Hokuyo UTM-30LX-EW
F/T Sensor	ATi Mini58-SI-2800-120 x 2
IMU	MicroStrain 3DM-GX4-25
Battery	22V, 22000mA – 18.5V, 11000 mA
Height	137.5 cm
Weight	42 kg

Table 3.1: Hardware specifications of THORMANG3.

² <https://www.robotis.com/>

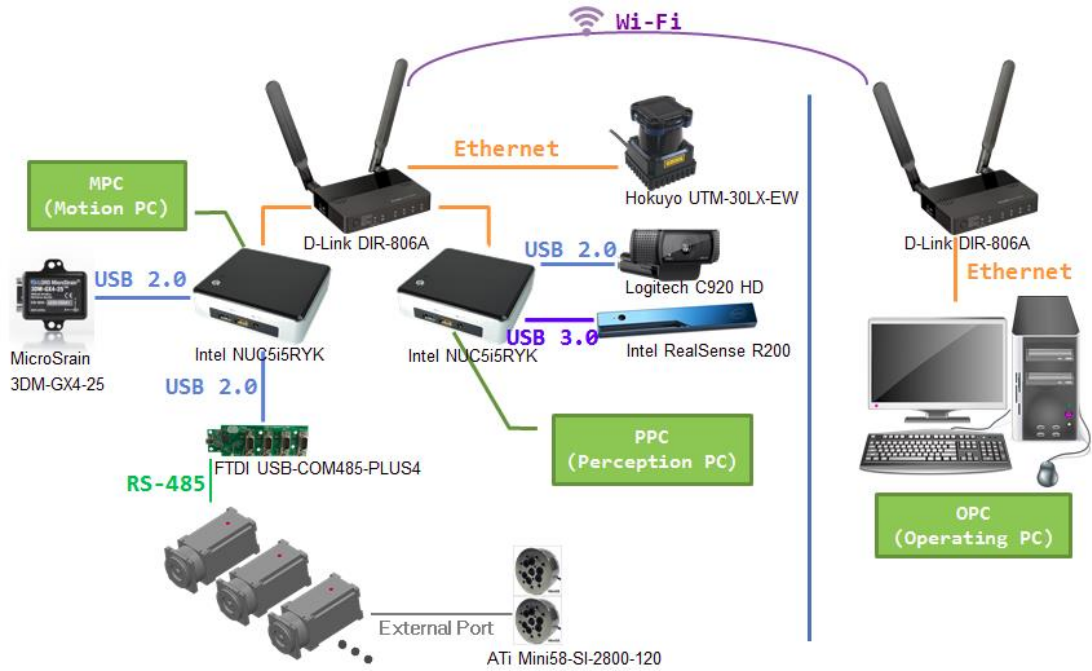


Figure 3.2: THORMANG3 system and interfaces.

3.2 The Two-wheeled Vehicle - Gogoro scooter

The two-wheeled vehicle we utilized was a commercially available Gogoro VIVA Plus scooter, shows in Figure 3.3. Gogoro VIVA Plus is a electric scooter, it is a good choice for our purposed goal because the acceleration is more stable than scooter used gasoline. Figure 3.4 and Table 3.2 show more details and specifications about Gogoro VIVA Plus. And the inertia matrix for whole body is (3.1), and the unit is in $kg \cdot m^2$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{yx} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{zx} & I_{zy} & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.40515 & 0.117584 & -1.66168 \\ -0.117584 & 18.0137 & 0.098875 \\ 1.66168 & -0.098875 & 14.8791 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.1)$$



Figure 3.3: Gogoro VIVA Plus scooter.

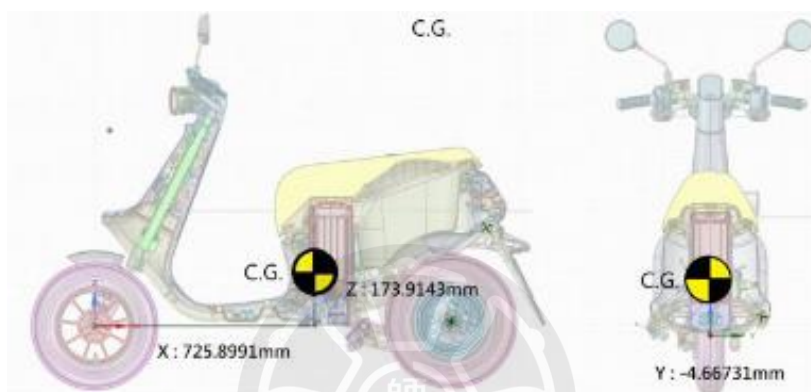


Figure 3.4: Center of Gravity of the Gogoro VIVA Plus scooter.

Wheel base	1164 mm
Seat height	740mm
Weight (with batteries)	79.2 kg
Max power output	3kW @ 500 rpm
Max horsepower	4.02 hp @ 500 rpm
Max torque (Motor / Wheel)	115 Nm @ 200 rpm
Hill climb ability	20% (11°): 25km/h 10% (6°): 40 km/h
Max lean angle	Left: 36° Right: 41°
Max riding range p/ battery	Approx. 85 km

Table 3.2: Specifications of the Gogoro VIVA Plus scooter.

3.3 Robot-Scooter System

Before testing the system in reality, the system must test in the Gazebo simulation environment with ODE physics engine to avoid unexpected damage occurred by rough testing in real world. The 3D robot-scoot system model in Gazebo simulator is presented in Figure 3.5.

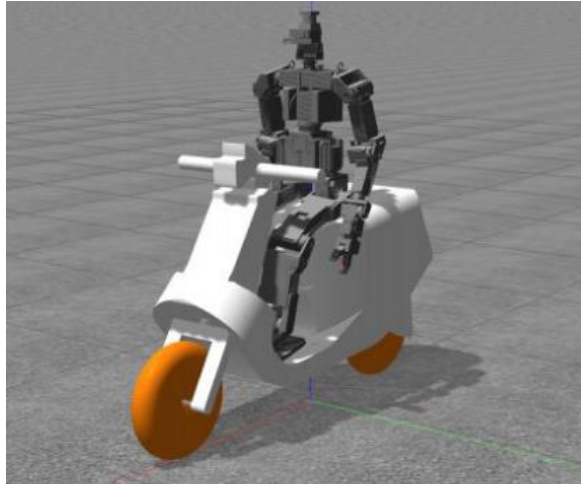


Figure 3.5: The 3D robot-scoot system model in Gazebo simulator.

In order to have a safety experiment in real test, the robot THORMANG3 operating Gogoro VIVA scooter should be with some security measure. Thus, the robot THORMANG3 fix to Gogoro VIVA scooter with profiles and added the training wheels to prevent the robot-scoot falling down, show as Figure 3.6.

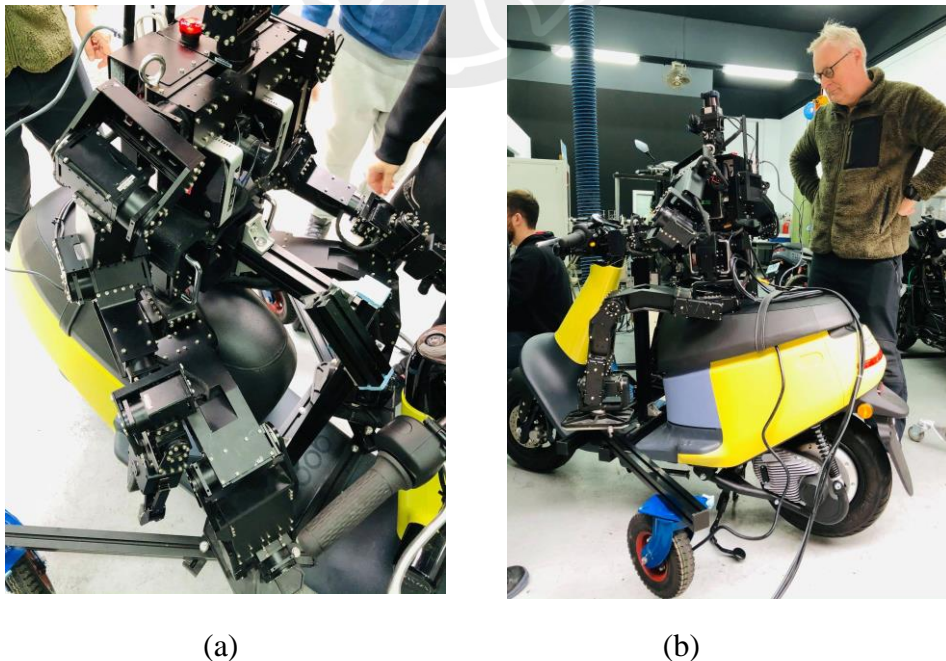


Figure 3.6: (a) Fixed robot to scooter. (b) Added the training wheels.

In Figure 3.7, a 3D support equipment for robot operating the throttle is used to suit the actual situation that the scooter throttle is hard to accuracy operate for robot gripper due to the shape is easy to slack. In Figure 3.8, a screw apply in throttle system to exhibit the angle which the throttle can turn, so the acceleration will be limited for safety.

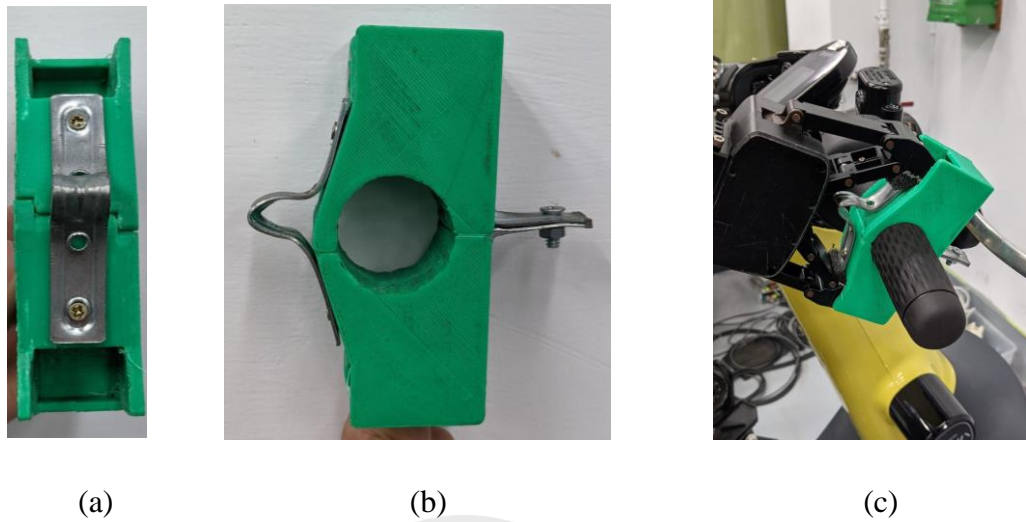


Figure 3.7: (a) Front view of 3D support equipment. (b) Side view of 3D support equipment. (c) 3D support equipment installed on the throttle.

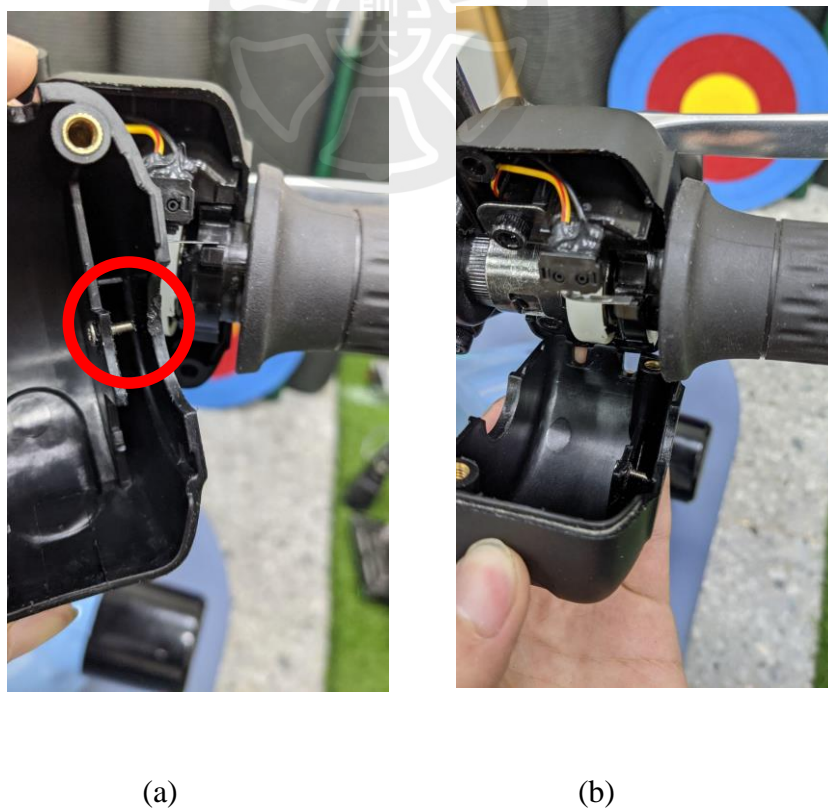


Figure 3.8: (a) Applied a screw in throttle system. (b) After applied the screw, closed the case then the throttle angle will be exhibited.

Furthermore, an emergency system is very important and necessary. Thus, a simple pattern is applied to tie up the breaker with elastic rope and put the blocker between the breaker. Once the blocker has been pulling out, the rope will tightly tie up the breaker, which means it will switch on the breaker, and stop the scooter. Figure 3.9 is our emergency system.

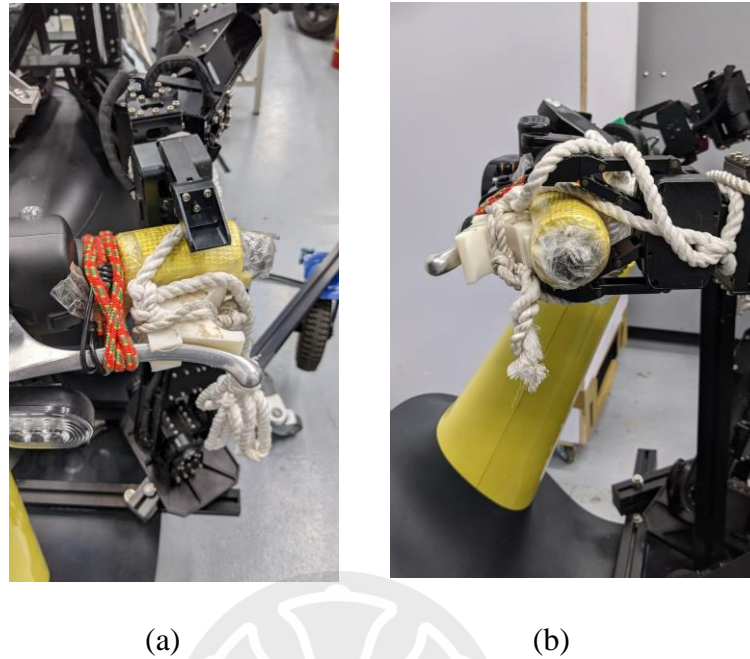


Figure 3.9 :(a) Top view of emergency system. (b) Side view of emergency system.

3.4 PID Balance Controller

PID controllers are a commonly used in control filed. A PID controller is developed by following the control low Equation (2.2) from two-wheeled vehicles dynamics. Then, the PID controller experiment was evaluated using Gazebo simulator, which is a popular simulation environment for robotics. In Figure 3.10, a rear view of robot-scoot model is presented, and the tilt angle is represented by ϕ .

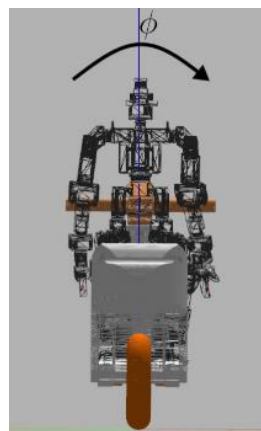


Figure 3.10: Rear view of robot-scoot model.

The balance control is a simple controller based on Equation (2.1). The error signal can be calculated from the difference between a desired tilt angle and the current tilt angle:

$$Error = \Phi - \Phi_{ref} \quad (3.2)$$

The tilt angle data of the robot (Φ) came from IMU sensor is read at a rate of 250 Hz.

In the simulation, the reference angle is defined to be 0 which is a up right angle for robot-scoot system. However, in the real robot-scooter system, there could exist an uncertain error between the tilt angle computed by the IMU and the robot initial position, thus the computed roll angle for feedback is $\Phi - \Phi_b$ instead of θ , where Φ_b is an offset, [30].

In order to obtain a good performance, different gains were explored. The gains are presented in Table 4.1 in the Experimental Results chapter.

3.5 Target Position of Manipulate E-Scooter

In our main goal, we have to define a work space for steering the Gogoro head bar after designed an accuracy and low iteration IK. The Figure 3.11 to Figure 3.14 are the measured space for steering Gogoro head bar.

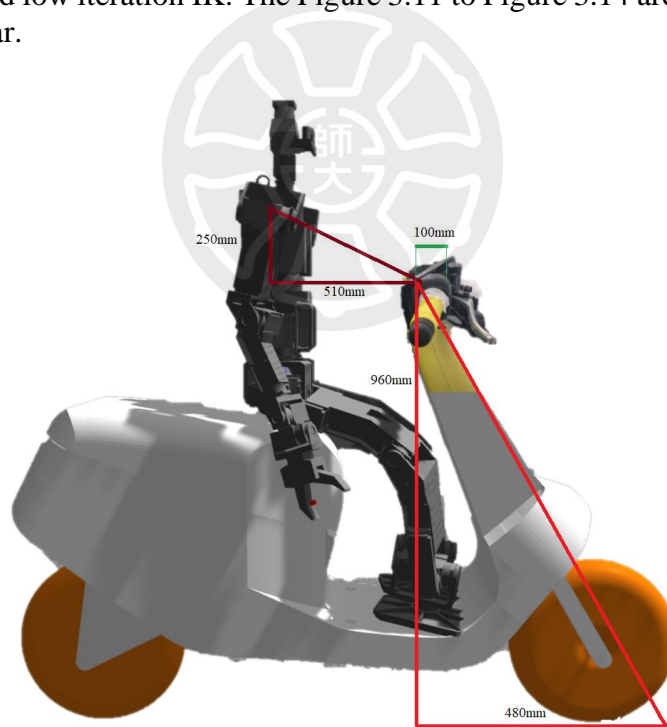


Figure 3.11: Side view (x-z plan) for measured Thormang3 and Gogoro system.

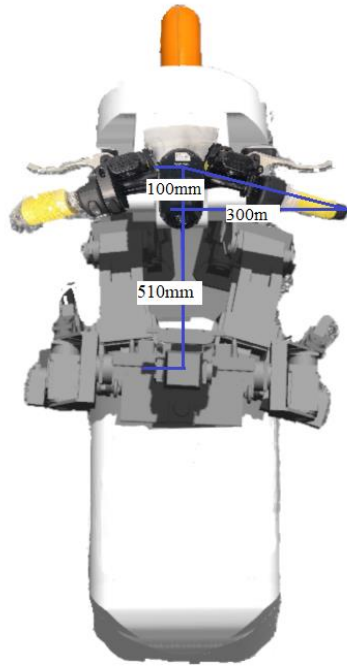


Figure 3.12: Up view (x-y plan) for measured Thormang3 and Gogoro system.



Figure 3.13: Up view (x-y plan) for measured Gogoro head bar.

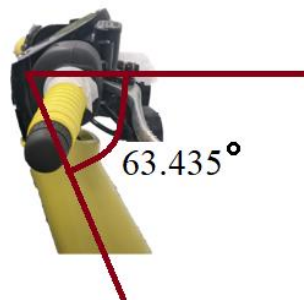


Figure 3.14: Side view (x-z plan) for measured Gogoro head bar.

In Figure 3.11, it shows the x position is 510 mm and z position is -250 mm from thormang3 shoulder, and Figure 3.12 is upper view for robot-scoot. Figure 3.13 is closer view for steering head bar shows y position should below 300 mm, and shows head bar angle is 18.435° to vertical, thus the robot gripper yaw should be 18.435° to the head bar. and Figure 3.14 shows the head bar is 63.435° to the ground, and it effects to compute the height point (z-axis) when the steering.

Therefore, we defined a 0° steering position with x_start_pos is 510 mm, y_start_pos is 248 mm, z_start_pos is -250 mm, head_bar_extend_angle is 18.435 deg, desired_steering_angle = θ .

Then the target position Equation to control the Gogoro steering can be computed as below.

$$\text{left_x_target} = \text{x_start_pos} + \text{y_start_pos} * \sin(\theta) \quad (3.3)$$

$$\text{right_x_target} = \text{x_start_pos} - \text{y_start_pos} * \sin(\theta) \quad (3.4)$$

$$\text{left_y_target} = \text{y_start_pos} * \text{abs}(\sin(\theta)) \quad (3.5)$$

$$\text{right_y_target} = - \text{y_start_pos} * \text{abs}(\sin(\theta)) \quad (3.6)$$

$$\text{z_target} = \text{z_start_pos} + \text{y_start_pos} * \sin(\text{head_bar_extend_angle}) * \cos(90 \pm \theta) * \sin(63.435^\circ) \quad (3.7)$$

The Equation (3.3) is the x axis position for the left arm, and the Equation (3.4) is the x axis position for the right arm. The Equation (3.5) is the y axis position for the left arm, and the Equation (3.6) is the y axis position for the right arm. The Equation (3.7) is the z axis position for the left arm and the right arm.

3.6 Forward Kinematics

To build the robot arms kinematics, the specification from the robot THORMANG3 is important. In Figure 3.15 shows THORMANG3 joint link specification³, and the Table 3.3 shows the coordinate distance relationship between each joint. Therefore, Denavit-Hartenberg or similar method can be used to build the robot arms kinematics. Our arms kinematics D-H parameters are show in Table (4.1) and Table (4.2).

³ <https://emanual.robotis.com/docs/en/platform/thormang3/references/#physical-properties>

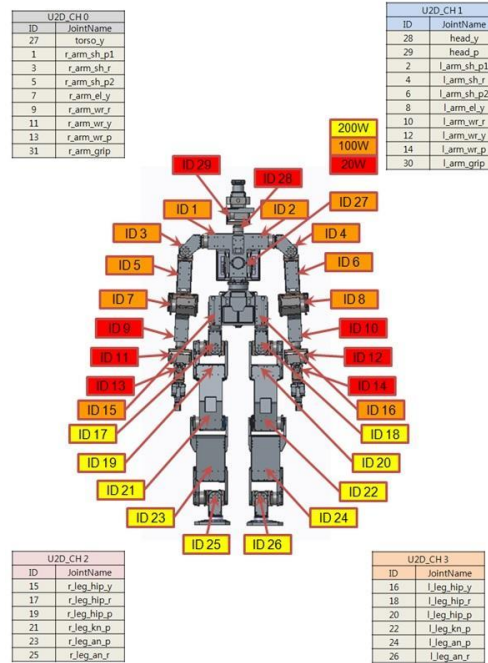


Figure 3.15: THORMANG3 joint link specification

L_Arm	x	y	z	R_Arm	x	y	z
27-2	0	152	160	27-1	0	-152	160
2-4	57	60	-39	1-3	57	-60	-39
4-6	-57	33	-0	3-5	-57	-33	0
6-8	30	187	57	5-7	30	-187	57
8-10	171	30	-57	7-9	171	-30	-57
10-12	39	0	45	9-11	39	0	45
12-14	45	-45	-45	11-13	45	45	-45
14-30	87.7	-58.3	0	13-31	87.7	-31.7	0
30-30_2	0	-26.6	0	31-31_2	0	-26.6	0

Table 3.3: The coordinate distance relationship between each joint.

3.7 Jacobian Pseudo Inverse Kinematic

In nowadays, manipulator in humanoid robot are principally using inverse kinematic (IK). In [31], a comprehensive survey of humanoid robot motion planning based IK are reviewed, and Jacobian pseudo IK methods are widely used in solving target position problem of motion planning [32]. The Jacobian pseudo inverse Equation shows as below:

$$\Delta\theta = J^T(JJ^T)^{-1}e \quad (3.8)$$

Where Jacobian matrix J is described in Equation (2.4), and $\Delta\theta$ is the delta joint value that can close to the desired target position.

3.8 Inverse Kinematics using Adapted PSO

However, there has infinite solution for IK, and we expect to find a optimal solution that can manipulate the scooter steering as efficiency as it can. The PSO algorithm is a famous method for optimization, but different from IK calculation the PSO algorithm start with random initial position instead of current position. In [35], it adapted the PSO algorithm to IK by setting the initial position to current position and this algorithm will reset the particles to avoid the solution get stuck with the local solution in every 10 steps. And the Figure 3.16 shows the flow chat of adapted PSO algorithm.

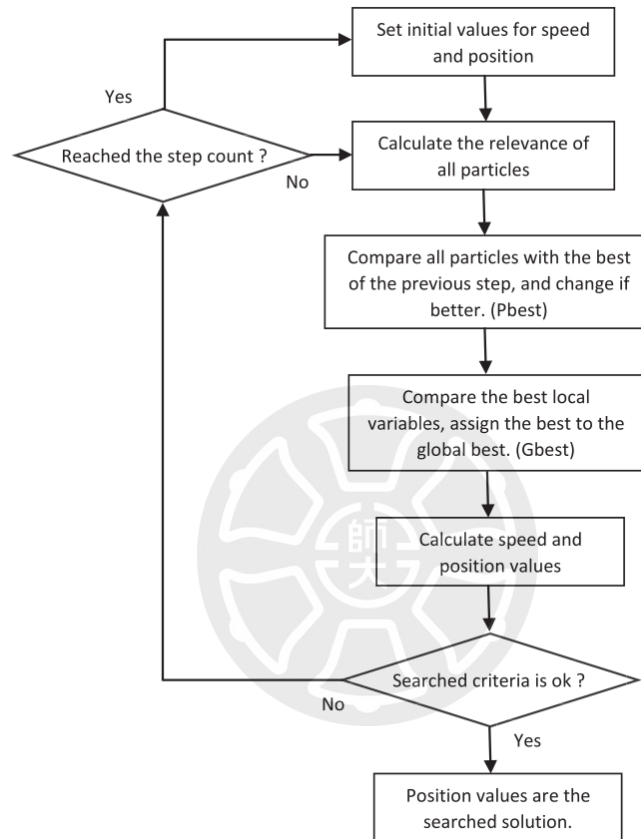


Figure 3.16: The flow chart of adapted PSO algorithm.

3.9 Hybrid Inverse Kinematics using Jacobian Pseudo and PSO

The adapted PSO algorithm generates a random initial speed that does not searching efficiency and the sensitivity to noise, and the $pbest_i - x_i(t)$ from the Equation (2.7) pulls the particles to previous position which is not a proper way to solve the IK problems. To improve the adapted PSO algorithm to IK problem, we use Jacobian pseudo method to calculate the initial speed, using $\Delta\theta$ in Equation (3.8) to the initial speed, and change the $pbest_i - x_i(t)$ to a random vector that will explore more, the $pbest_i - x_i(t)$ becomes to normal distribution with μ is 0 and σ is 0.001 , $N(0,0.001)$.

To find a optimal solution that can manipulate the scooter steering as efficiency as it can. The fitness function should not only compare to the distance error for IK but also takes efficiency into account. Equation (3.9) measures the efficiency:

$$E = (d \cdot s) \sum_{joints} (F_{joint} \cdot s) \quad (3.9)$$

The E is the value of efficiency, d is the vector between target position and current position, the s is the displacement with changing position, and F is the movement of each joint link with joint angular velocity in small degrees.

The sensitivity value is relative to the joint value effects to EE, the more error from the EE means the kinematic pose is less resistance to noise which is used the white noise $N(0,0.01)$ in Equation (3.10).

$$sensitivity = \frac{1}{t} \times \sum_t \sum_{joints} |EE(joint + noise) - EE(joint)| \quad (3.10)$$

Therefore, the fitness function combines the efficiency and the sensitive and shows below:

$$fitness = \frac{1}{|a|+E} + sensitivity \quad (3.11)$$

And the best population is selected by the smallest value from fitness value.

3.10 Jacobian Pseudo Inverse Kinematic with Momentum

Although the adapted PSO algorithm can have chance to find optimal solution, it spend too much time to compute the kinematic model, the more population size it has the more computation time it cost. From the PSO algorithm behavior in Equation (2.7), the speed elements contain a random speed of momentum and a best moving direction to find the optimal solution. Refer to PSO algorithm, we apply the momentum to Jacobian pseudo IK method.

Therefore, in Equation (3.12), a new method of Jacobian pseudo IK acquires momentum vector with previous value and will keep accumulation.

$$V_{i+1} = V_i + \Delta\theta, V_0 = 0 \quad (3.12)$$

But if the accumulate momentum V_i will lead to overshoot, which cause the error from next position to target position be bigger, then reset momentum vector V_i to zero. The Figure 3.17. illustrates the reset situation when momentum velocity cause an overshoot in 3rd step.

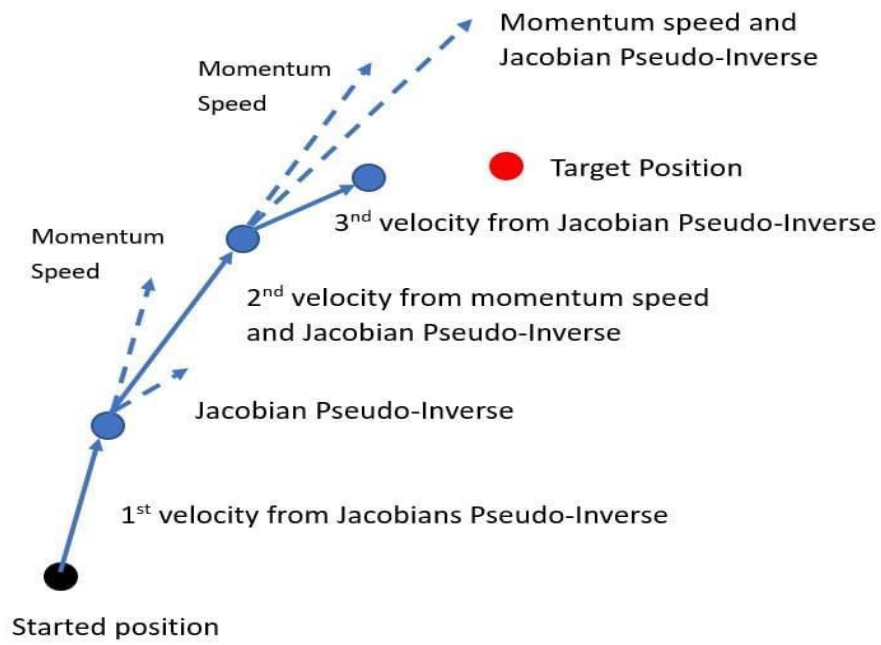


Figure 3.17: The momentum rests to zero when momentum velocity causes an overshoot in 3rd step.



Chapter 4. Experiment and Results

4.1 Experiment Result for Thormang3 Forward Kinematics

Building a kinematics module uses the information from Table 3.3 and Figure 4.1, which has specific physical properties for Thormang3 and the graphic for D-H representation of kinematics. Therefore, a Thormang3 left arm D-H parameters shows in Table 4.1, where θ_1 to θ_7 are corresponding to ID 2,4,6,8,10,12,14 in Figure 3.11, and a 3D kinematics module presents in Figure 4.2 and the Thormang3 right arm D-H parameters shows in Table 4.2. The result of kinematic module for Thormang3 both arm shows in Figure 4.2.

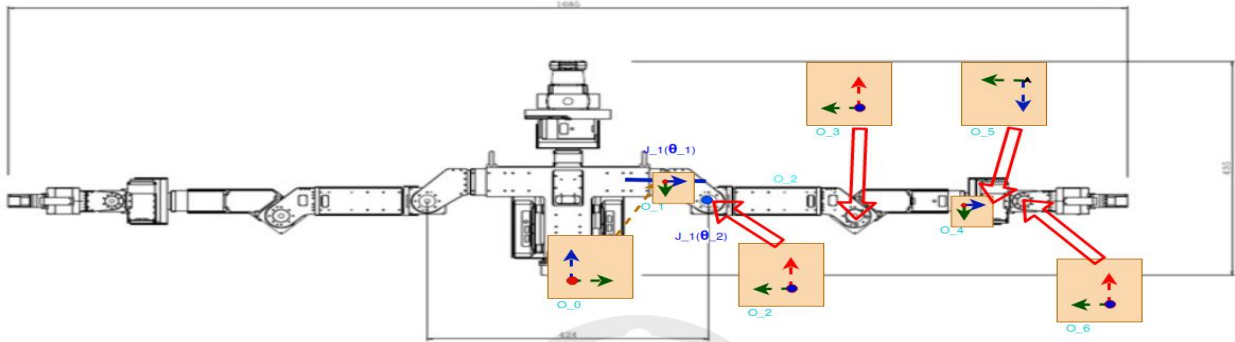


Figure 4.1 : Graphic for D-H representation of kinematics.

	θ	d	a	α
1	0	1053.5 mm	0 mm	$-\pi/2$
2	0	152 mm	0 mm	0
3	θ_1	60 mm	57 mm	$-\pi/2$
4	0	39 mm	0 mm	0
5	$-\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$\pi/2$
6	θ_2	57 mm	33 mm	$\pi/2$
7	$-\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$-\pi/2$
8	θ_3	187 mm	30 mm	$\pi/2$
9	0	57 mm	0 mm	$-\pi$
10	θ_4	57 mm	171 mm	$\pi/2$
11	0	30 mm	0 mm	0
12	$-\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$-\pi/2$
13	θ_5	39 mm	45 mm	$\pi/2$
14	$\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$-\pi/2$
15	θ_6	45 mm	45 mm	$-\pi/2$
16	0	45 mm	0 mm	0
17	θ_7	-45 mm	145 mm	$-\pi/2$

Table 4.1: Thormang3 left arm D-H parameters.

	θ	d	a	α
1	0	1053.5 mm	0 mm	$\pi/2$
2	0	152 mm	0 mm	0
3	θ_1	60 mm	57 mm	$\pi/2$
4	0	39 mm	0 mm	0
5	$\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$-\pi/2$
6	θ_2	57 mm	33 mm	$-\pi/2$
7	$\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$\pi/2$
8	θ_3	187 mm	30 mm	$-\pi/2$
9	0	57 mm	0 mm	π
10	θ_4	57 mm	171 mm	$-\pi/2$
11	0	30 mm	0 mm	0
12	$\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$\pi/2$
13	θ_5	39 mm	45 mm	$-\pi/2$
14	$-\pi/2$	0 mm	0 mm	$\pi/2$
15	θ_6	45 mm	45 mm	$\pi/2$
16	0	45 mm	0 mm	0
17	θ_7	-45 mm	145 mm	$\pi/2$

Table 4.2: Thormang3 right arm D-H parameters.

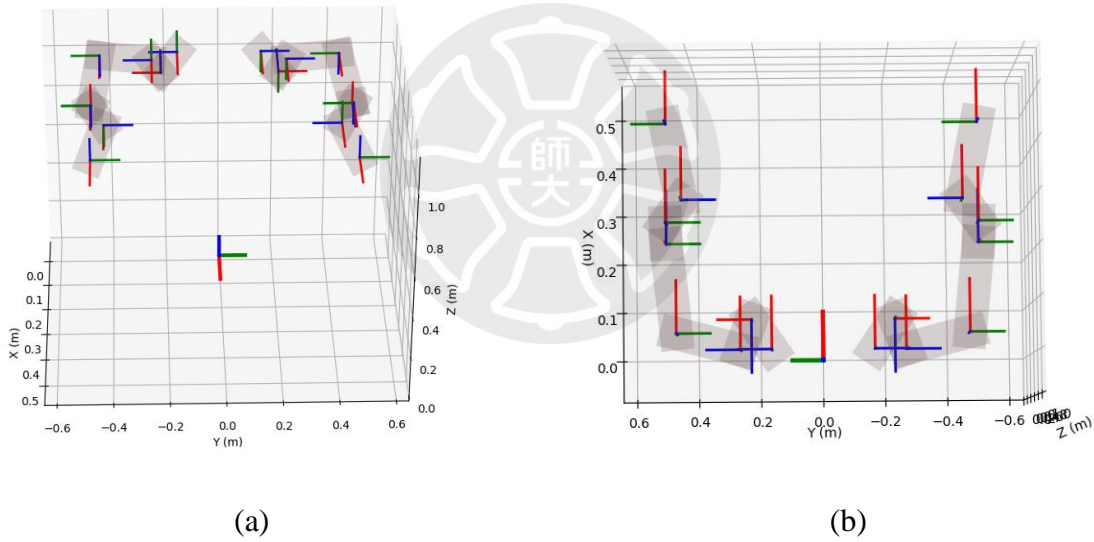


Figure 4.2: Thormang3 kinematics module with (a) front view and (b) upper view by python matplotlib.

4.2 Experiment Result for Target position

After building the Thormang3 kinematic arm module, a target position for manipulating the Gogoro scooter is necessary to IK. Using the definition from Equation (3.6) to (3.10), the target of steering position for both arms can be computed and are Shown in Figure 4.3.

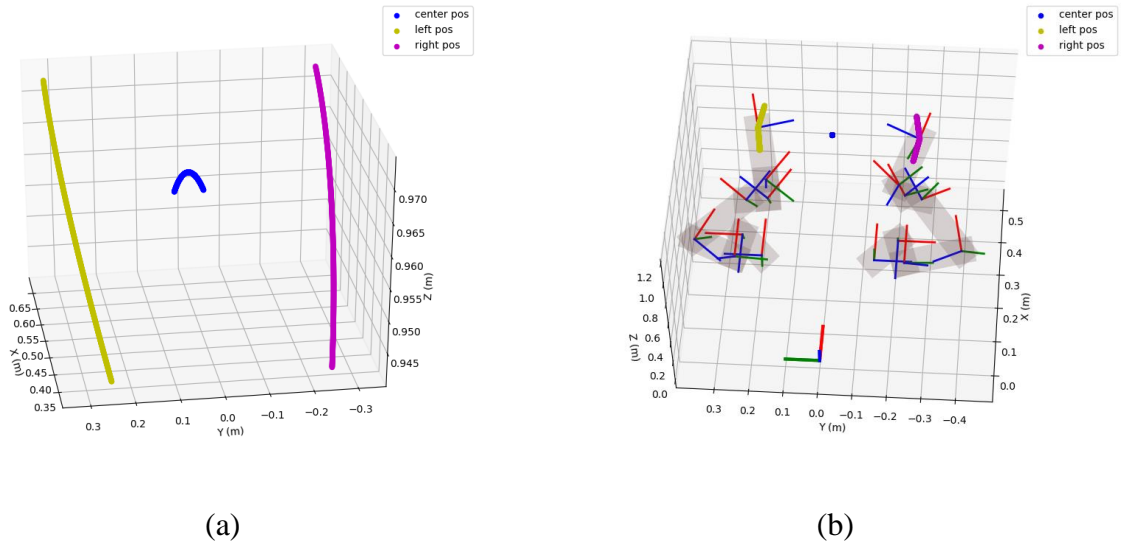


Figure 4.3 : Target position for Thormang3 manipulate the Gogoro steering head bar.

4.3 Experiment Result for Jacobian Pseudo Inverse Kinematics

The results of the Jacobian pseudo IK are applied to the target position and convert to the steering angle. Starting the initial position with random degrees of $-18 \sim 0$ steering, and then steers the angle. Figure 4.4 shows the average iteration in 10 different random initial steering angle and Figure 4.5 shows the average efficient value in 10 different random initial steering angle for moving different steering angle. In Figure 4.4 and 4.5, the x axis is steering commands for steering degrees, y axis is the average iteration of computational. Thus, if the steering command is moving 5 degrees, the robot moves 5 degrees from the random initial steering angle, and the vertical line is in -1 to +1 standard deviation for 10 times different test.

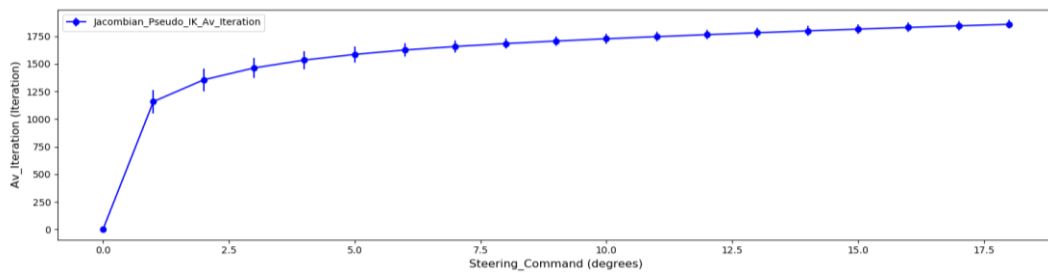


Figure 4.4 : The average iteration for Jacobian pseudo IK in 10 different initial steering angle.

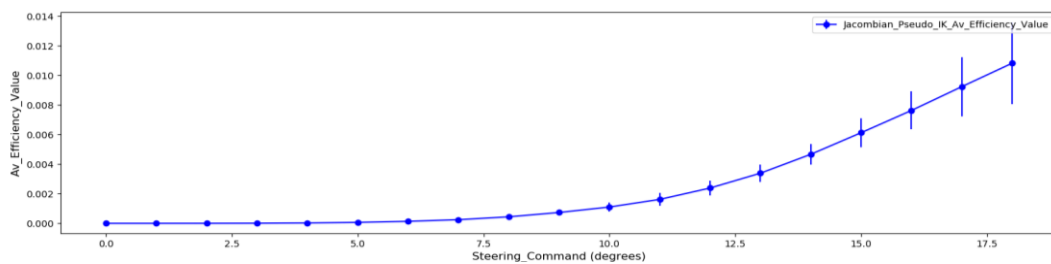


Figure 4.5 : The average value of efficiency for Jacobian pseudo IK in 10 different initial steering angle.

4.4 Experiment Result for PSO Inverse Kinematics

For PSO algorithm, the parameters used to the PSO IK are shown in Table 4.3 and evolve the results of different population size in Table 4.4. From the results, the proper population size is 20 due to increasing more population size is not getting lower iteration (generation) to find the solution for steering 15 degrees but using more time to calculation.

Max Iteration	8000
Acceptance	0.001
W	0.5
C1	2
C2	2

Table 4.3: Parameters for PSO IK.

	PSO_IK
N_Pop = 10	Iteration : 2892
	Time : 22.0655 s
N_Pop = 20	Iteration : 1835
	Time : 27.7120 s
N_Pop = 30	Iteration : 2061
	Time : 45.9731 s

Table 4.4: Result of different population size of PSO IK to steering 15 degrees.

With the parameters from Table 4.3 and the population size of 20, the average PSO IK generation result of steering to different steering angle and the average efficient value for 5 times in different random initial steering poses are shown in Figure 4.6 and Figure 4.7, and the vertical line is in -1 to +1 standard deviation for 5 times different test.

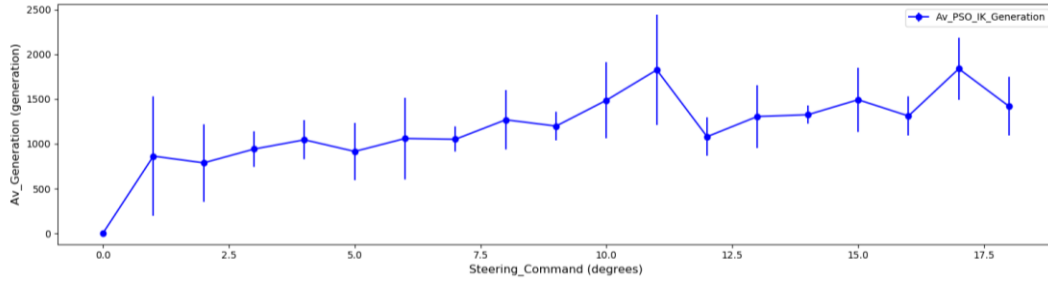


Figure 4.6 : The average generation time for PSO IK in 5 different steering angle.

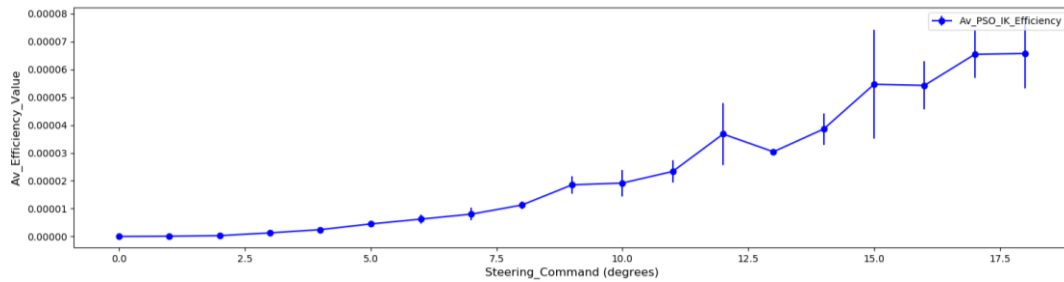


Figure 4.7 : The average value of efficiency for PSO IK in 5 different steering angle.

And the pose solution from PSO IK is very similar to Jacobian pseudo IK, the Figure 4.8 shows the both solution together and the most of the poses are overlapping to each other.

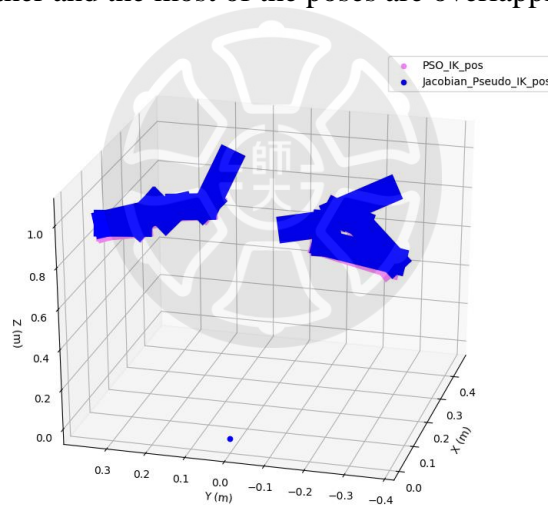


Figure 4.8 : The PSO IK and Jacobian pseudo IK pose in 3D graph.

4.5 Experiment Result for Hybrid Inverse Kinematics with Jacobian Pseudo and PSO

As mention in Section 3.10, the hybrid IK replaces PSO random initial speed to Jacobian pseudo $\Delta\theta$ in Equation (3.8) and replaces $pbest_i - x_i(t)$ to the random speed $N(0,0.001)$ for exploration, and applies the efficiency and sensitivity to the fitness function. The parameters are shown in Table 4.5 for hybrid IK and the population size is 20.

Max Iteration	8000
Acceptance	0.001
C2	2

Table 4.5: Parameters for hybrid IK.

And then, the average hybrid IK generation results of steering to different steering angle and the average efficient value are shown in Figure 4.9 and Figure 4.10, and the vertical line is in -1 to +1 standard deviation for 5 times different test.

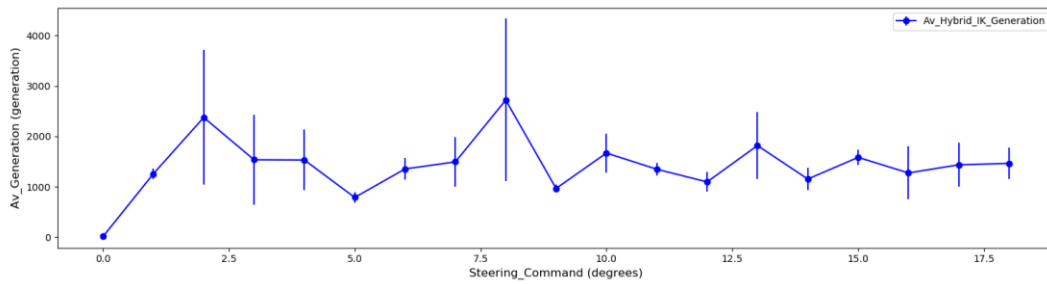


Figure 4.9 : The average generation time for hybrid IK in 5 different steering angle.

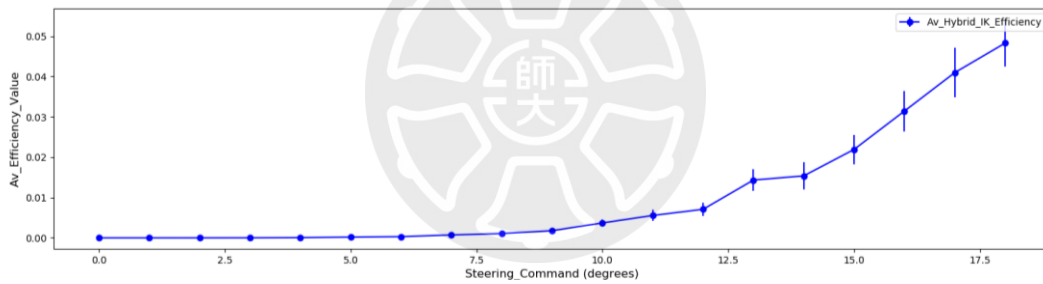


Figure 4.10 : The value of efficiency for hybrid IK in 5 different steering angle.

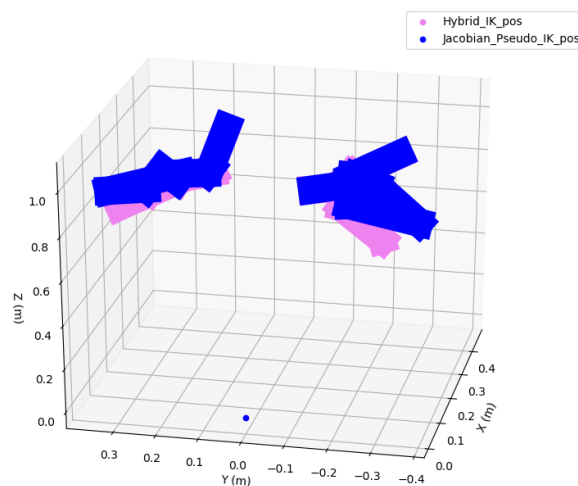


Figure 4.11 : The hybrid IK and Jacobian pseudo IK pose in 3D graph.

4.6 Experiment Result for Jacobian Pseudo Inverse Kinematics with Momentum

While the PSO IK and hybrid IK are using the population size but it computes the fitness in every iteration with forward kinematic which cause the time cost in computing increasing a lot. Thus, we try to apply a concept of the momentum from PSO behavior to Jacobian pseudo IK. And the Jacobian pseudo IK average iteration results in 10 different initial steering angle and the average efficient value in 10 different initial steering angle are shown in Figure 4.12 and Figure 4.13, and the vertical line is in -1 to +1 standard deviation for 10 times different test. Figure 4.14 shows the 3D graph to compare Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum with normal Jacobian pseudo IK, the solution of steering pose has same result.

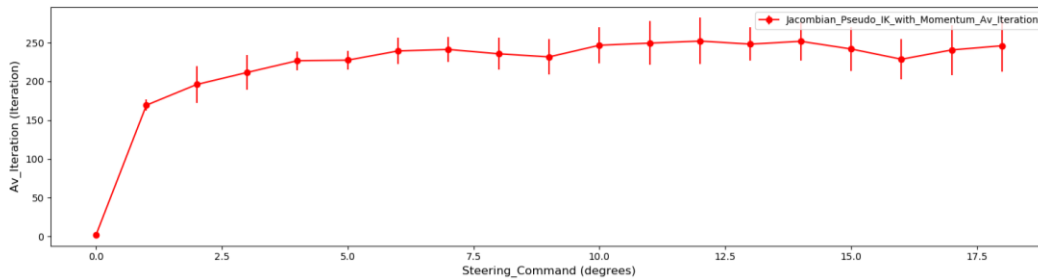


Figure 4.12 : The average iteration for Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum in 10 different initial steering angle.

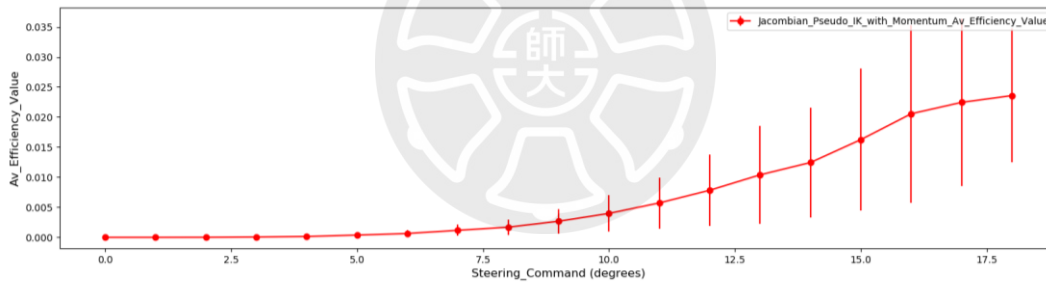


Figure 4.13 : The average value of efficiency for Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum in 10 different initial steering angle.

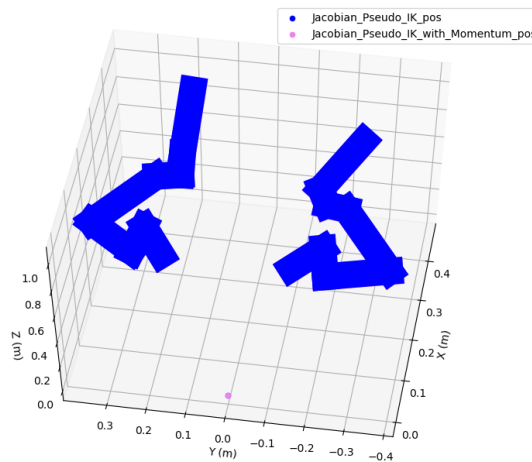


Figure 4.14 : The Jacobian pseudo IK and Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum pose in 3D graph.

4.7 Comparing Jacobian Pseudo IK and Jacobian Pseudo IK with Momentum

This section shows the difference between both method when applied momentum or not. Figure 4.15 combines both method of average iteration results together, and we can observe that the Jacobian pseudo IK applied the momentum, red line in Figure 4.15, is much faster than original method and average iteration is always lower than 300.

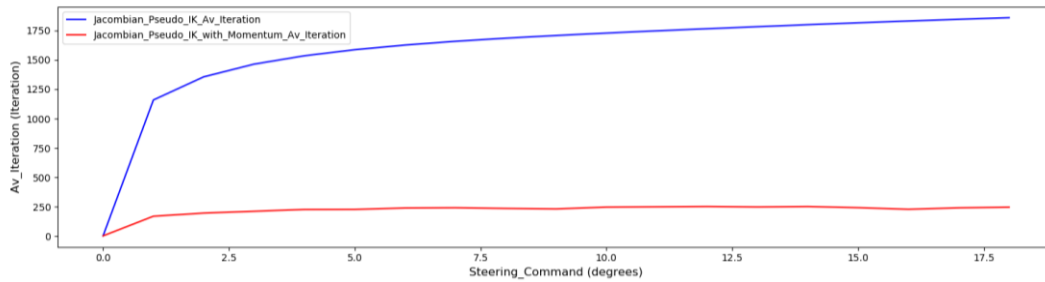


Figure 4.15 : Comparing the results of generation from Jacobian pseudo IK and Jacobian pseudo IK with Momentum.

Moreover, Figure 4.16 combines both method of average efficient results, and the Jacobian pseudo IK applied the momentum is more efficiency than the original Jacobian pseudo IK.

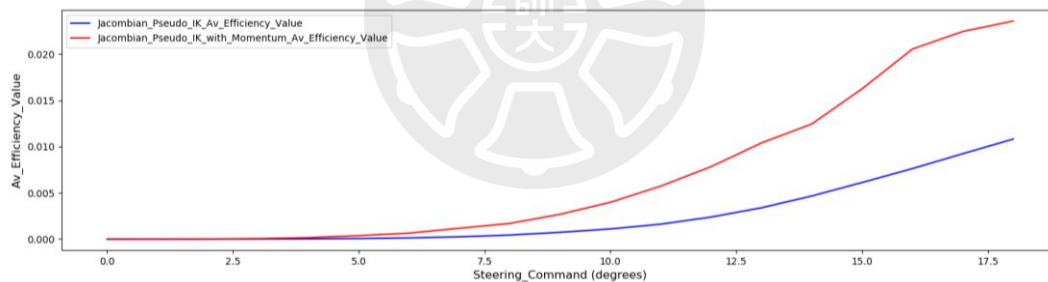


Figure 4.16 : Comparing the results of efficiency from Jacobian pseudo IK and Jacobian pseudo IK with Momentum.

4.8 Evaluating Jacobian Pseudo IK with momentum to Optimal Solution from Hybrid IK

However, the result of average efficiency from hybrid IK in Figure 4.10, the average efficiency value goes to 0.04, which is better than Jacobian pseudo IK with Momentum and the solution of Jacobian pseudo IK with Momentum can be optimized. From the hybrid IK solution in Table 4.6 and 4.7 and the Jacobian pseudo IK solution in Table 4.8 and 4.9 , we observers a phenomenon that the end effector from elbow link is closer to the robot torso, in other words, the joint value from raw direction of shoulder is lower, and the Figure 4.17 shows both poses result in 3D plot.

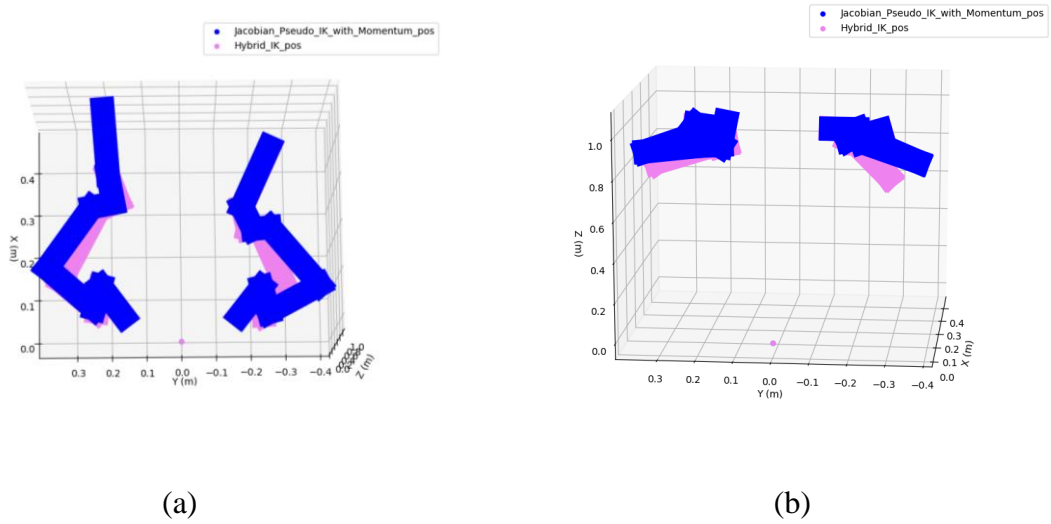


Figure 4.17 : Comparing Hybrid IK pose and Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum pose.

Therefore, we limit the joint value from raw direction of shoulder into 70 ~ 90 degrees, Figure 4.18 shows the average iteration is about 300 iteration, and Figure 4.19 shows the result of average efficiency by using Jacobian pseudo IK with Momentum and the limitation, and the highest average efficiency reaches to 0.04.

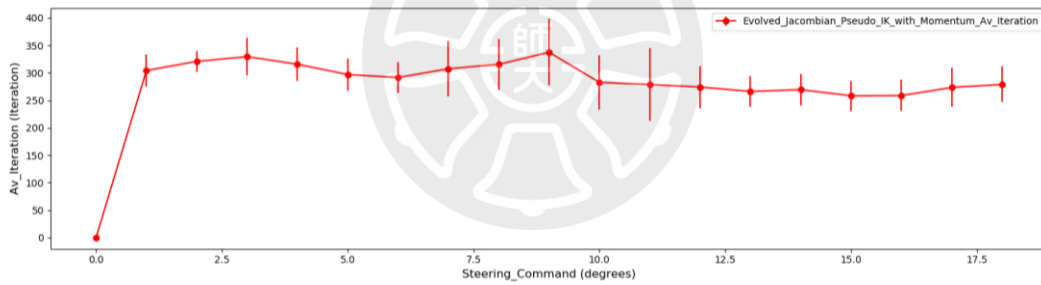


Figure 4.18 : The average iteration for Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum and limitation in different steering angle.

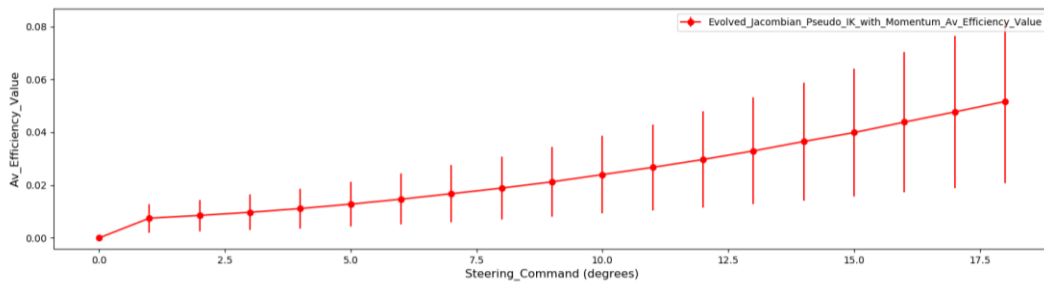


Figure 4.19 : The average value of efficiency for Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum and limitation in different steering angle.

The unit in Table 4.6 to 4.9 show different solution to Hybrid IK results and Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum results for both robot arms from 0~18 degrees steering poses and joints value (in degrees).

	l_sh_p1	l_sh_r	l_sh_p2	l_el_y	l_wr_r	l_wr_y	l_wr_p
0 deg	-4.9591	75.0369	17.3148	17.1884	166.5985	12.8096	-35.7219
1 deg	-5.7619	74.2756	17.5296	16.5587	165.5319	12.6039	-34.7842
2 deg	-6.2814	74.1330	17.0797	15.9324	165.0822	12.4751	-33.0006
3 deg	-7.3620	74.0536	17.0717	14.7565	164.6339	12.2482	-31.5310
4 deg	-8.0181	73.3795	17.1492	14.0090	163.6786	11.8261	-30.2803
5 deg	-8.5281	73.8361	16.4397	13.3520	163.8458	11.9956	-28.2130
6 deg	-9.3710	73.2584	16.5409	12.2276	163.0147	11.4141	-26.8414
7 deg	-10.5188	71.9706	17.4415	11.3351	161.3061	10.8966	-26.3775
8 deg	-11.0096	72.4910	16.7678	10.3805	161.6341	10.8183	-24.1862
9 deg	-11.9952	71.7001	17.2285	9.3165	160.5067	10.2702	-23.1251
10 deg	-13.0952	71.5476	17.3280	7.9880	159.9677	9.9597	-21.6312
11 deg	-13.8534	71.3082	17.4526	6.8850	159.4494	9.4488	-20.1520
12 deg	-14.9889	70.5092	18.0422	5.6985	158.2469	8.9363	-19.1453
13 deg	-15.6909	70.6151	17.6827	4.5171	158.1303	8.6401	-17.1524
14 deg	-16.5480	70.7223	17.5695	3.2131	157.8836	8.2439	-15.3874
15 deg	-17.5700	70.3111	17.7459	1.8685	157.1614	7.7800	-13.7979
16 deg	-18.2445	70.7056	17.1856	0.5836	157.3380	7.5476	-11.6076
17 deg	-18.9958	71.4111	16.5995	-0.6774	157.8075	7.4823	-9.4730
18 deg	-20.2184	70.6195	17.4568	-2.3010	156.5997	6.6738	-8.3489

Table 4.6 :Left arm joint value from Hybrid_IK solution.

	r_sh_p1	r_sh_r	r_sh_p2	r_el_y	r_wr_r	r_wr_y	r_wr_p
0 deg	9.4393	-74.9336	-0.9781	-33.9568	-125.7544	-50.7314	54.5485
1 deg	8.8112	-75.9336	-1.4998	-34.6415	-126.3622	-49.9309	56.2223
2 deg	8.0284	-76.8741	-1.5765	-35.6525	-126.8260	-49.4020	57.6850
3 deg	7.2110	-77.5150	-2.1975	-36.3687	-127.3273	-48.1734	59.2765
4 deg	6.4830	-78.2130	-2.5352	-37.3893	-127.4624	-47.4532	61.1325
5 deg	5.5811	-79.9844	-2.5562	-38.1519	-129.3970	-47.1958	61.5358
6 deg	4.8497	-80.7031	-3.1465	-38.8878	-130.1405	-46.1657	62.9055
7 deg	4.0353	-81.3877	-3.8125	-39.3863	-131.0594	-44.9137	64.1009
8 deg	3.2260	-82.4280	-4.1914	-40.1742	-132.1538	-44.1512	65.1238
9 deg	2.4803	-82.4259	-5.2532	-40.6686	-132.4397	-42.3435	66.8917
10 deg	1.8688	-82.2861	-6.1040	-41.1115	-132.5624	-40.6553	68.5677
11 deg	1.1484	-84.0339	-6.5614	-41.6298	-134.7398	-40.1749	68.9566
12 deg	0.4542	-84.9037	-7.2430	-41.8547	-136.1901	-38.9526	69.6434
13 deg	-0.0171	-83.380	-8.8405	-42.2734	-135.1650	-36.2068	72.5327
14 deg	-0.6808	-84.1517	-9.5109	-42.4853	-136.5362	-34.9876	73.2774
15 deg	-1.4750	-84.7510	-10.3312	-42.9413	-137.8050	-33.6669	74.2629
16 deg	-2.1590	-85.7046	-11.1677	-42.9558	-139.6726	-32.2902	74.7879
17 deg	-2.9055	-86.2482	-11.6776	-43.2211	-140.8367	-31.0344	75.5011
18 deg	-3.3982	-86.4329	-12.7357	-43.3674	-141.8128	-29.4147	76.8187

Table 4.7 :Right arm joint value from Hybrid_IK solution.

	l_sh_p1	l_sh_r	l_sh_p2	l_el_y	l_wr_r	l_wr_y	l_wr_p
0 deg	-11.1546	59.8779	30.4015	17.0224	151.8043	6.5728	-49.4664
1 deg	-11.8403	59.5896	30.4635	16.5414	151.1692	6.4191	-48.0837
2 deg	-12.5804	59.2460	30.5220	15.7653	150.4411	6.0561	-46.5277
3 deg	-13.3256	58.9393	30.6370	14.9272	149.7561	5.6443	-44.9766
4 deg	-14.0891	58.6588	30.7838	14.0485	149.0889	5.2207	-43.4185
5 deg	-14.8711	58.3980	30.9545	13.1332	148.4313	4.7899	-41.8476
6 deg	-15.6716	58.1555	31.1479	12.1788	147.7815	4.3494	-40.2609
7 deg	-16.4899	57.9307	31.3630	11.1864	147.1382	3.9001	-38.6576
8 deg	-17.3260	57.7235	31.5996	10.1554	146.5011	3.4416	-37.0372
9 deg	-18.1806	57.5355	31.8593	9.0824	145.8705	2.9719	-35.3985
10 deg	-19.0528	57.3662	32.1407	7.9698	145.2456	2.4930	-33.7418
11 deg	-19.9439	57.2176	32.4458	6.8131	144.6267	2.0025	-32.0662
12 deg	-20.8533	57.0896	32.7734	5.6144	144.0131	1.5020	-30.3716
13 deg	-21.7808	56.9829	33.1238	4.3730	143.4045	0.9918	-28.6581
14 deg	-22.7280	56.8999	33.4988	3.0838	142.8010	0.4692	-26.9243
15 deg	-23.6943	56.8405	33.8975	1.7481	142.2017	-0.0643	-25.1703
16 deg	-24.6799	56.8059	34.3201	0.3647	141.6062	-0.6092	-23.3959
17 deg	-25.6858	56.7977	34.7675	-1.0698	141.0139	-1.1669	-21.6000
18 deg	-26.7120	56.8172	35.2400	-2.5571	140.4241	-1.7375	-19.7822

Table 4.8 : Left arm joint value from Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum solution.

	r_sh_p1	r_sh_r	r_sh_p2	r_el_y	r_wr_r	r_wr_y	r_wr_p
0 deg	13.0472	-51.069	-16.2511	-32.4362	-105.3284	-27.9216	65.9101
1 deg	12.6304	-51.8249	-16.4182	-33.0243	-105.8751	-27.1406	67.6095
2 deg	11.9903	-52.5501	-16.6320	-33.8778	-106.4939	-26.2639	69.4334
3 deg	11.3506	-53.2519	-16.8721	-34.6952	-107.1842	-25.3633	71.1825
4 deg	10.7277	-53.9467	-17.1558	-35.4738	-107.9503	-24.4438	72.8769
5 deg	10.1265	-54.6363	-17.4851	-36.2117	-108.7891	-23.5083	74.5233
6 deg	9.5467	-55.3195	-17.8592	-36.9095	-109.6969	-22.5574	76.1257
7 deg	8.9876	-55.9946	-18.2768	-37.5674	-110.6703	-21.5914	77.6869
8 deg	8.4513	-56.6609	-18.7357	-38.1832	-111.7047	-20.6123	79.2096
9 deg	7.9343	-57.3161	-19.2339	-38.7590	-112.7977	-19.6189	80.6962
10 deg	7.4407	-57.9605	-19.7688	-39.2912	-113.9435	-18.6142	82.1491
11 deg	6.9661	-58.5921	-20.3382	-39.7824	-115.1406	-17.5966	83.5707
12 deg	6.5125	-59.2107	-20.9392	-40.2309	-116.3841	-16.5681	84.9632
13 deg	6.0783	-59.8156	-21.5694	-40.6371	-117.6713	-15.5286	86.3290
14 deg	5.6654	-60.4070	-22.2252	-41.0001	-118.9975	-14.4805	87.6706
15 deg	5.2705	-60.9843	-22.9049	-41.3213	-120.3616	-13.4224	88.9896
16 deg	4.8966	-61.5482	-23.6040	-41.5994	-121.7575	-12.3579	90.2889
17 deg	4.5436	-62.0987	-24.3190	-41.8350	-123.1817	-11.2885	91.5706
18 deg	4.2081	-62.6360	-25.0486	-42.0292	-124.6341	-10.2129	92.8362

Table 4.9 :Right arm joint value from Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum solution.

4.9 Comparing Sensitivity to Optimal Solution and Original Solution

In the original solution from section 4.6, the Figure 4.20 shows the sensitive value for original solution, and the Figure 4.21 shows the sensitive value for optimal solution from section 4.8. Although the original solution is not efficiency as the results from section 4.8, it is more resistance to the noise. With the hundred times of testing, the average sensitive value for original solution is 7.677×10^{-5} in Figure 4.20, and the average sensitive value for optimal solution is 9.669×10^{-5} in Figure 4.21.

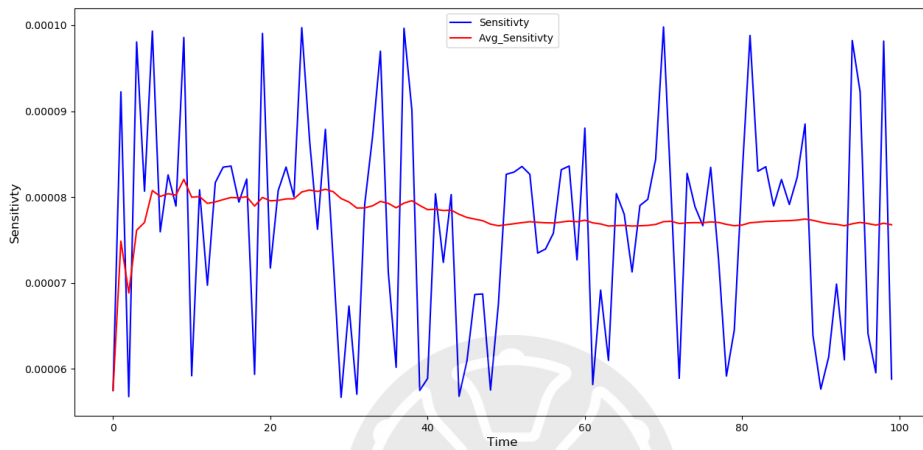


Figure 4.20 : The sensitive value and average value for original solution.

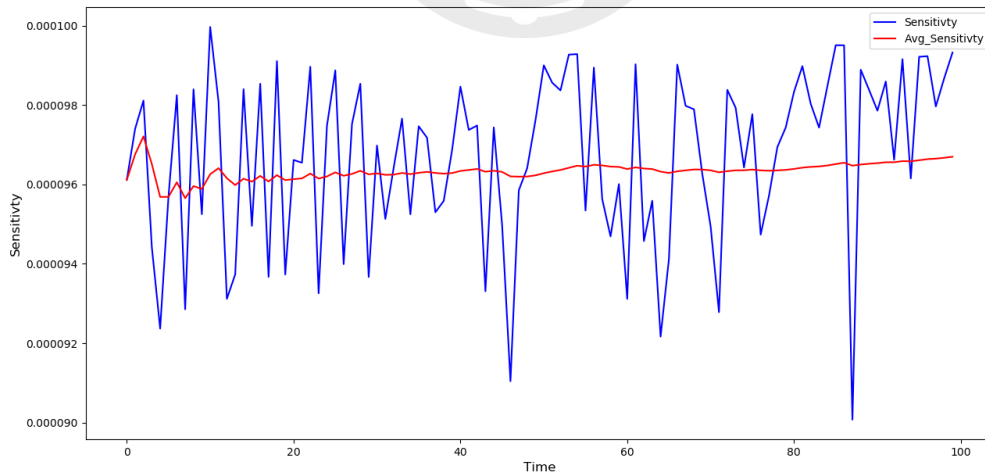


Figure 4.21 : The sensitive value and average value for optimal solution.

4.10 Experiment Results in Real Robot-Scooter System

In this section, the fast IK in C++ version and PID controller are described and discussed, and comparing result of PID in simulation with reality result. The last part discusses the actuator restriction which should be satisfied in real robot-scooter system.

4.10.1 Experiment Results for Jacobian Pseudo Ik with Momentum in C++

Second, the methodology apply in section 3.10 with the proposed kinematics module from Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum. In the experiment, the proposed method is 2 to 10 times faster than original Jacobian pseudo-inverse method. Within the computer specification in Table 4.10, a C++ version of real time computation are shows in Figure 4.22, the x axis is distance in cm with different cases and y axis is real time cost in ms from different distance x cm.

CPU (Processor)	AMD Ryzen 9 3900X (24) @ 3.800GHz
GPU (Graphics)	NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2080 SUPER (8GB)
RAM (Memory)	16GB

Table 4.10: Relevant specification of the computer used to compute IK.

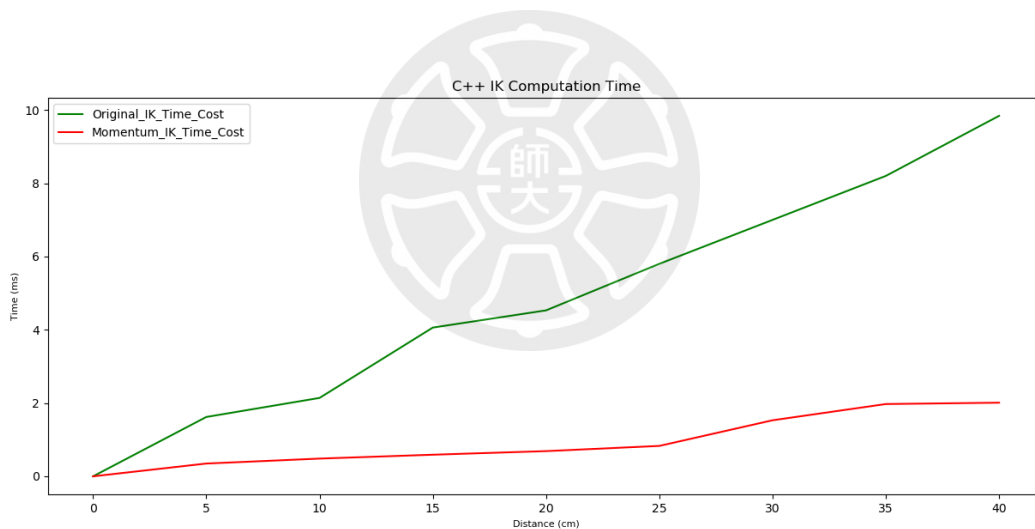


Figure 4.22 : C++ version of Evaluating real time cost from Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum and original Jacobian pseudo-inverse method.

4.10.2 PID Balance Controller in Simulation Results

In the Gazebo simulation system, we had the simulation results from our last project leader [34]. There has three different PID controller parameters for low speed (10 rad/s), middle speed (20 rad/s) and high speed (40 rad/s), where the parameters are shown in Table 4.11.

System Velocity	P	I	D
10 rad/s (2.5km/h)	8.0	0.04	4.0
20 rad/s (5km/h)	2.0	0.04	4.0
40 rad/s (10km/h)	1.0	0.04	2.0

Table 4.11: PID parameters for balance control in Gazebo simulation system in [34].

The results of low speed (10 rad/s) PID balance control shows in Figure 4.23 and 4.24. Where P gain is 8, I gain is 0.04 and D gain is 4. The x axis is the iteration time, each interval time is 0.1 second and y axis is radian unit.

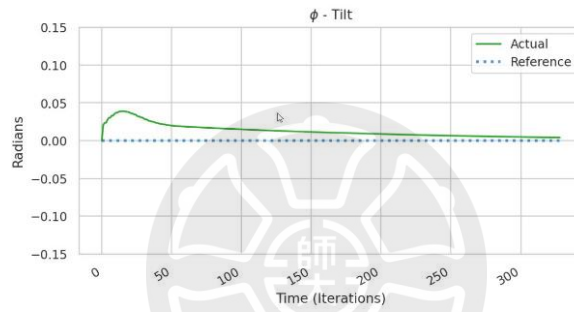


Figure 4.23: Actual tilt during low speed PID balance control.

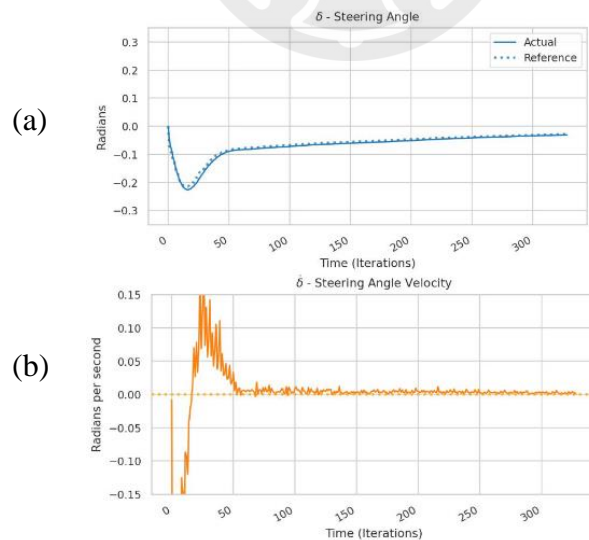


Figure 4.24: (a)Steering commands during low speed PID control and (b) low speed steering velocity.

And the results of middle speed (20rad/s) PID control shows in Figure 4.25 and 4.26. Where P gain is 2, I gain is 0.04 and D gain is 4. The x axis is the iteration time, each interval time is 0.1 second and y axis is radian unit.

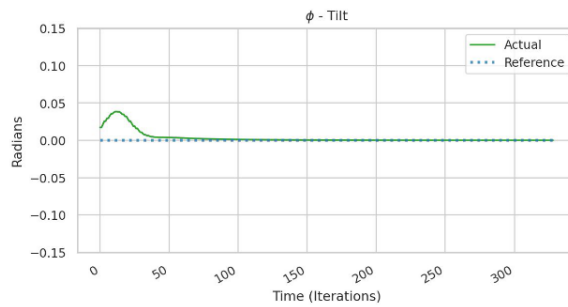


Figure 4.25: Actual tilt during middle speed PID balance control.

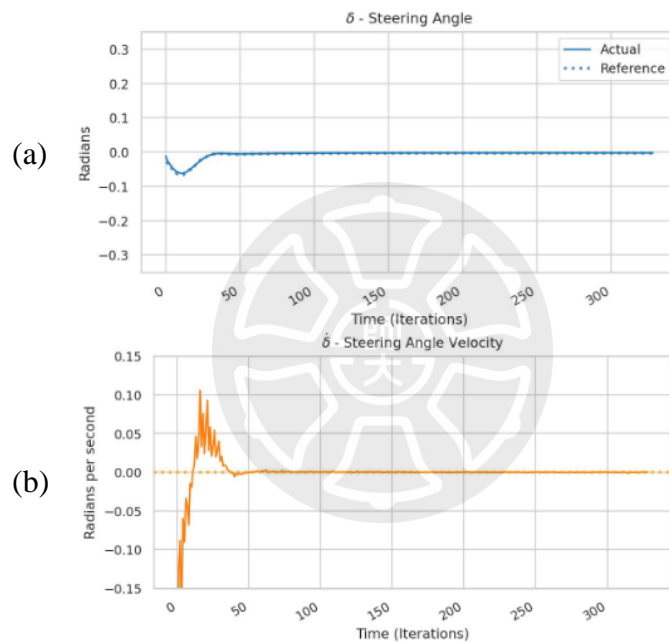


Figure 4.26 : (a)Steering commands during middle speed PID control and (b) middle speed steering velocity.

The last results of high speed (40rad/s) PID control shows in Figure 4.27 and 4.28. Where P gain is 1, I gain is 0.04 and D gain is 2. The x axis is the iteration time, each interval time is 0.1 second and y axis is radian unit.

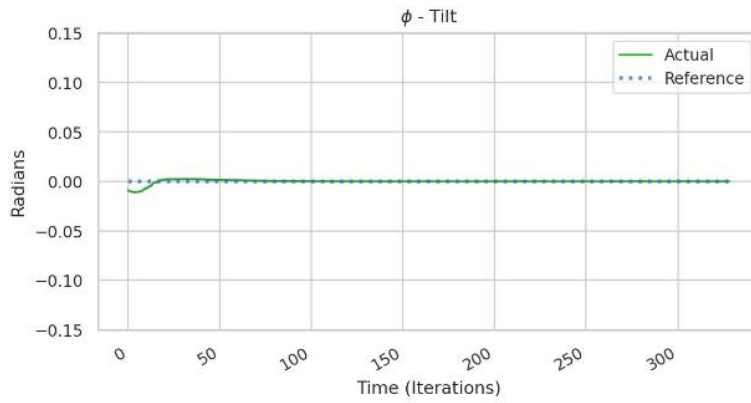


Figure 4.27 : Actual tilt during high speed PID balance control.

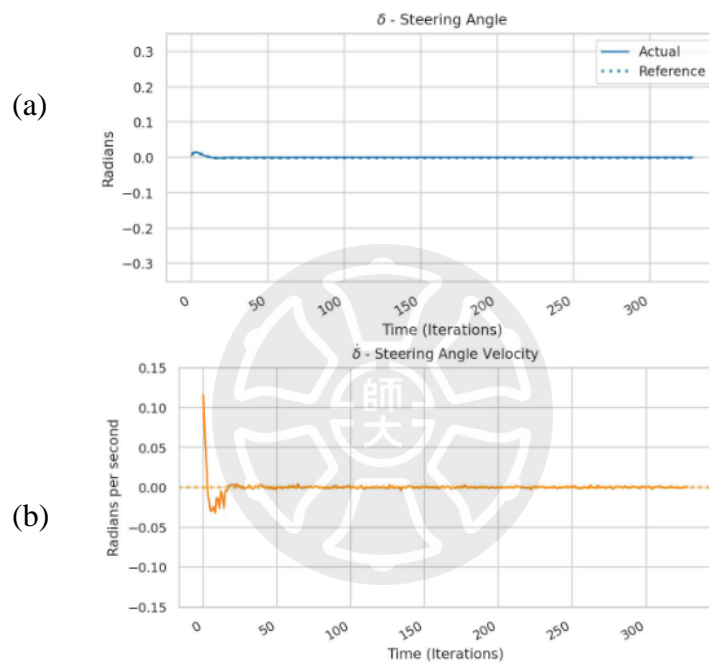


Figure 4.28 : (a)Steering commands during high speed PID control and (b) middle speed steering velocity.

4.10.3 PID Balance Controller in Real Robot Results

In the real Thormang3-Gogoro system, however, the speed is not a constant speed in simulation for real testing. The upper bound of speed is about 12 km/hr and the first three seconds will gas from 0 km/hr to the upper limitation speed. Then the speed decreased after three seconds gassed. The results show in Figure 4. 29 and 4.30. Where P gain is 1.2, I gain is 0.04 and D gain is 2. The x axis is the time iteration with 0.1 seconds and the y axis is radian unit.

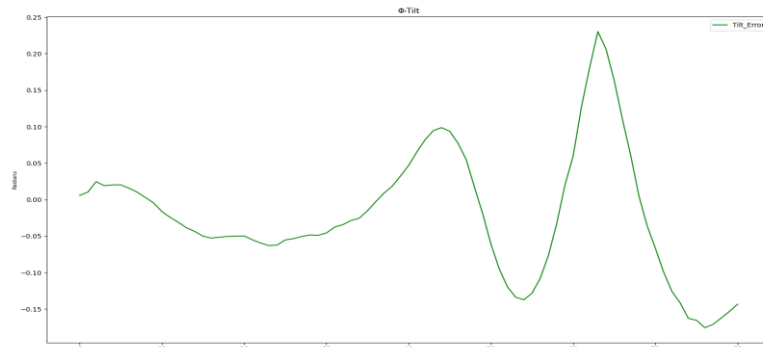


Figure 4.29: Actual tilt during real Thormang3-Gogoro system PID balance control.

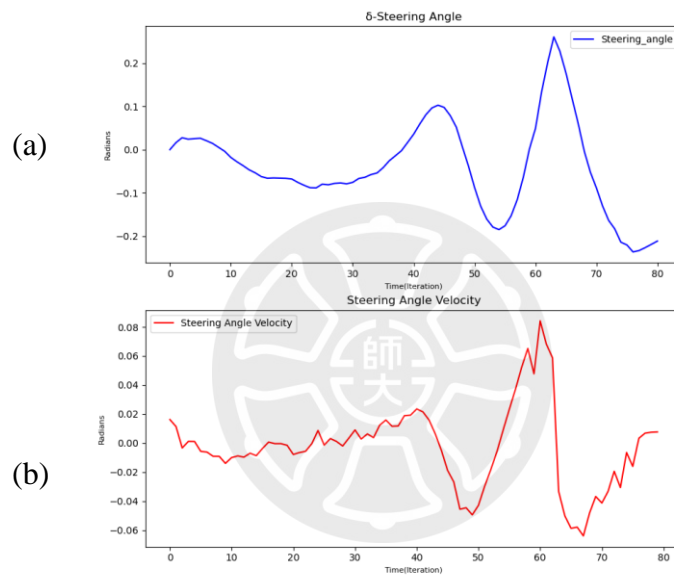


Figure 4.30: (a)Steering commands during real Thormang3-Gogoro system PID control and (b) real Thormang3-Gogoro system steering velocity.

The results of balance control diverged caused by decreasing speed after three seconds gassed and PID controller parameters are very sensitive to the speed that the Thormang3-Gogoro system is easily fall down to one side when the speed is out of the expected value.

The link of real robot-scoot test video :

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1TsbdT0Cgv_L7hKs6Sr95EFoK6S_Wk7aY/view?usp=sharing

4.10.4 Actuator's Restrictions on Balance Control

In Figure 4.31 shows Thormang3 actuator of PH54-100-S500-R⁴ to its arm servo. The maximum speed for the actuator is 29.2 rev/min. And the IMU sensor in thormang3 system transmits the data in 250 Hz. Therefore, the constrain from the actuator is 3.057817 rad/s (0.003 rad /ms).

From the result of Section 4.10.2 and 4.10.3, we can observe the maximum velocity in simulation is 0.15 rad/ 100 ms,(0.0015 rad/ms) in Figure 4.24 and the maximum velocity in real test is 0.08 rad/ 100 ms (0.0008 rad/ms) in Figure 4.30.



Figure 4.31: The actuator PH54-100-S500-R used in Thormang3 arms.

The Figure 4.32 presents the maximum changing in joint value in y axis and difference delta steering command in x axis. We consider the maximum velocity 0.15 rad/100 ms (0.0015 rad/ms) in simulation which is lager than real test, and the 0.0015 rad of steering command will need 0.00247 rad/ms joint revolution which is totally under the restrictions 0.003 rad /ms.

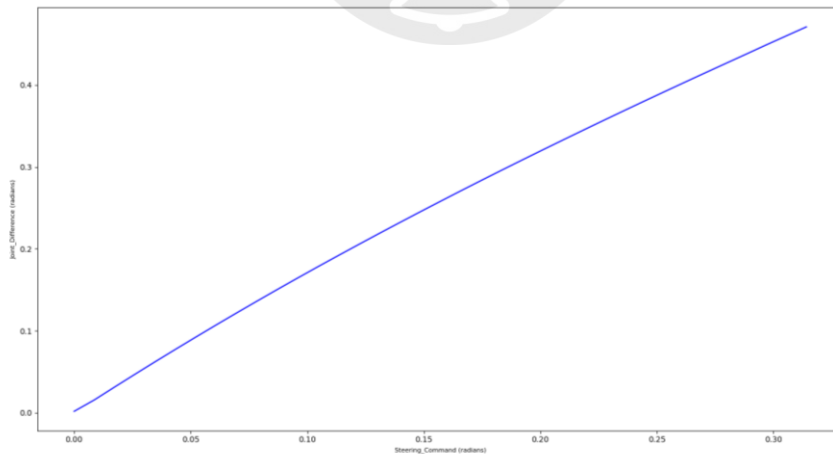


Figure 4.32 : The maximum changing of joint value in different delta steering angle.

⁴ <https://emmanual.robotis.com/docs/en/dxl/pro/h54-100-s500-r/>

Chapter 5. Conclusion and Future Work

5.1 Conclusion

The main objective of this thesis is to propose a fast IK algorithm that can reduce computational cost while maintaining acceptable performance and high efficiency of motion planning. Therefore, there are four different IK algorithms to implement on Thormang3 for the motion of manipulating the Gogoro E-scooter steering.

First, the Jacobian pseudo IK is used a newton method to approximate the error to linear. This method is the most general proposed method for IK. Second, the PSO IK method randomly search a IK problem and converge to an acceptable error. Third, the hybrid IK using Jacobian pseudo IK and PSO is moving more direct to the target position and applies the efficiency and sensitivity value for exploring the optimal solution to efficiency motion and operating the two-wheeled electric scooter steering. Fourth, the Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum greatly reduces the iteration and the computational time from original Jacobian pseudo IK. Although Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum has same result of ending pose but the moving process is more efficiency. Then we combine the optimal solution from the hybrid IK and the Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum, a high efficiency motion and fast IK is successful developed. In the results, we have 0.04 value of average efficiency and a fast IK that lower than 3 ms computational time, and it is also satisfied to the robot servo restriction.

5.2 Future Work

In the Future, we believe the human robot Thormang3 can pass the scooter license test , and the test includes the balancing test, U turn and two-stage left turn. The next step to achieve the goal is to develop a speed controller that can obtain the current scooter speed by robot vision and let Thormang3 control the two-wheeled electric scooter speed during the driving. This will be a exciting research that combining RL agent from the previous work [34], which required the speed value from speed detection, and Jacobian pseudo IK with momentum to do the balancing control and path trajectory for driving in the reality.

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