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Collaborative robotic Arm

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Abstract

The project is to design and manufacture a collaborative robot, which is a robot intended to physically interact with humans in a shared work space. The industrial robot is intended to work a specific task, protected by a barrier. The project focuses on designing a collaborative arm capable of working alongside with humans in workplace or home. The robotic arm is having a four degrees of freedom with a capacity to lift a weight of 300g. Robot Operating System (ROS) was used for coding the program. The arm can perform repeated actions like pick and place, soldering. It can detect human presence with the help of sensors. It can be easily reprogrammed for performing other actions.

Keywords: Robot, ROS, ARM

1. Introduction

A co-robot or cobot is a robot that is supposed to interact physically with people in a shared workspace. This contrasts with other robots that are designed for autonomous operation or limited guidance. These were the most industrial robots until the decade of the years 2010.

The cobots can do many things: from autonomous robots that can work with people in an office environment, you can ask for help from industrial robots with their protections removed. Collaborative industrial robots are highly complex machines capable of working hand in hand with humans. The robots support and relieve the human operator in a common workflow.

There are many reasons for the emergence of collaborative robots: companies use them because they can be placed next to humans in small assembly lines of electronic products because they are affordable and easy to train, and because they are flexible, small, and perform work boring repetitive jobs and ergonomically challenging tasks.

Industrial robots are kept in cages to protect people from danger. Service robots must leave the cage safely when performing tasks for people. Collaborative robots are available in all shapes and sizes, with integrated sensors and smooth, rounded surfaces to ensure safety and reduce the risk of impact and crushing. The greatest safety feature of collaborative robots is the limited force joints, which detect forces on impact and react quickly. Most professional service robots work together in collaboration, so robots are not just for SMS or for production. Offices, homes, laboratories, warehouses, farms, distribution centers, hospitals and health facilities allow service robots to improve their work. The market is open, but the current use of co-bots includes machine care, material handling, assembly tasks, and packaging. As more co-bots are provided, more uses are discovered.

2. Literature survey

It is expected that the global supply of industrial robots will increase by 13% annually. It is estimated that 2.6 million industrial robots will be operational by 2019, with the highest expected demands in the automotive and electronics industries. Other small and medium-sized companies are increasingly using collaboration solutions to implement robots and human capabilities. Most development and development efforts for easy-to-use automation and robotics are related to industrial manufacturing. To have a competitive advantage in the current market, the manufacturing industry depends on automation.

The widespread use of robots in the industry is limited by the inability of robots to work together safely and with human labor. Because robots cannot collaborate, communicate and understand their actions, roles and tasks, the benefits of robots are reduced in applications where tasks cannot be performed in a single robot. The performance of a collaborative robotic system provides the methods, protocols, and metrics needed to evaluate the

collaborative capabilities of the robotic system, and utilizes the decomposition of task-driven manufacturing processes to evaluate and ensure the safety and effectiveness of human collaboration teams -robot. In general, industrial robots are kept behind some type of safety barrier to perform high-performance manufacturing tasks, such as welding. On the other hand, collaborative robots can work safely together with humans

Traditionally, people have been protected from injury, injury or death by the movement of a moving robot using one of the methods of security, elimination, substitution, warning, technical control (Security guards and barriers), administrative control (For example, training) Included) or protective equipment. If an operator connects to the robot (For example, loading or unloading of materials), security control systems (Such as a light screen, a safety mat, other presence detectors) must be provided to ensure the safety of the robot and the state. Basically, the movement of the robot is conditional and, finally, the power supply is removed and the robot stops completely. The effect of this slows down production.

The innovative advantage in industrial robotics and automation includes easy-to-use, accessible collaborative robot solutions. The performance of the human workforce contributes to this collaboration with inherent cognitive abilities and flexibility, while robot systems provide high speed, precision, accuracy and repeatability. In the current economy of high speed and high precision, manufacturing companies continue to defend greater efficiency, production speed, quality and safety at work. Collaborated robots can do much to protect workers while increasing productivity and reducing operating costs and associated costs.



Fig 1: Industrial arm

Collaborative robotics allows manipulation of robot work movements so that people can share the workspace. For example, robots in the same workspace could bring heavy slabs closer together while an expert operator would mark them, although that process would have to be done. By combining human-robot collaboration, you can significantly reduce downtime and increase productivity.

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competitive advantage in today's market, the manufacturing industry relies on automation and robotics to stay ahead of the curve.



Fig 2: Co robot

The widespread use of robots in industry is limited by the inability of robots to work together safely and with human labor. Because robots are unable to collaborate, communicate, and understand their actions, roles, and tasks, the benefits of robots are reduced in applications where tasks cannot be performed on a single robot. The performance of a collaborative robotic system provides the methods, protocols, and metrics required to evaluate the collaborative capabilities of the robotic system, and utilizes a task-driven decomposition of manufacturing processes to assess the safety and effectiveness of human-robot collaboration teams. Normally, industrial robots are kept behind some kind of safety barrier to perform heavy manufacturing tasks such as welding. On the other hand, collaborative robots can work safely alongside humans. The development and development of automation processes and robotics is crucial for the changing world. Traditionally, people have been protected from injury, injury, or killing by the movement of a moving robot using one of the security methods, namely, elimination, substitution, warning, technical control (Safe guards and barriers), administrative control (e.g. Training) or protective equipment. When an operator comes into contact with the robot (e.g. loading or unloading of materials), safety control systems (e.g. light screen, safety mat, other presence detectors) would have to be present to ensure the safety of the robot's position and condition. Basically, the movement of the robot is conditional and eventually the power source is removed and the robot then stops completely. The effect of this slows down production.

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though this process would have to take place. The combination of human-robot collaboration can significantly reduce downtime, increase productivity and increase safety even further.

3. Methodology

A. Specification

- Flexibility - 4 DOF
- Payload - 300g
- Reach - 300mm
- End effector - Parallel jaw gripper (span-5cm)
- ROS interface

B. Proposed design



Fig 3: Front view

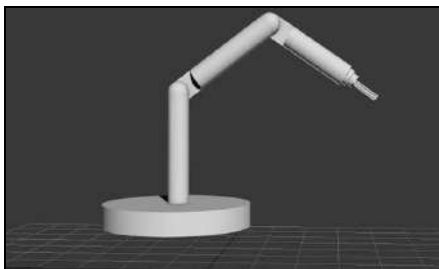


Fig 4: Side view

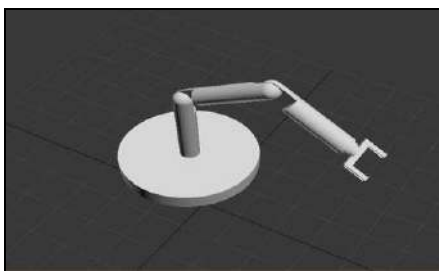


Fig 5: Top view

4. A) Torque calculations

The torque of arm is calculated in order to choose the right motor for each joint of robotic arm. The torque required at each joint is calculated as a worst case scenario i.e. lifting weight at 90 degrees.

- $L1 = 20\text{cm}$
- $L2 = 16\text{cm}$
- $L3 = 16\text{cm}$
- $L4 = 18\text{cm}$
- $W1 = 0.2\text{kg}$
- $W2 = 0.2\text{kg}$
- $W3 = 0.6\text{kg}$
- $W4 = 0.2\text{kg}$

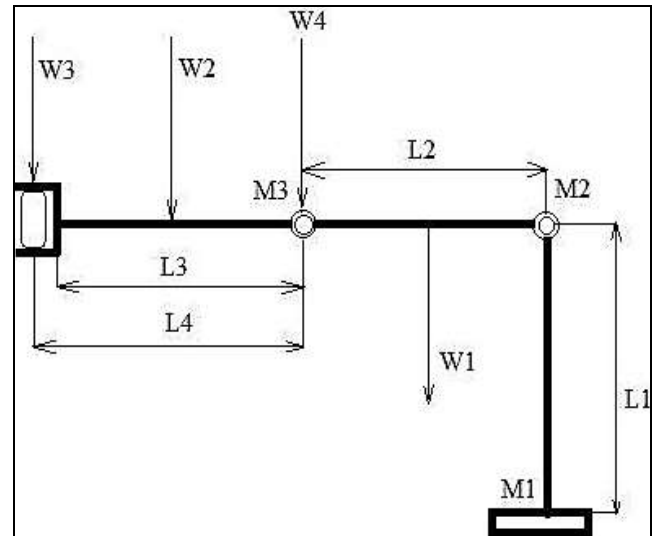


Fig 6: Free body diagram (Extreme case)

$$\begin{aligned}
 M2 &= (L2/2)*W1 + L2*W4 + (L2 + (L3/2))*W2 + (L2+L4)*W3 \\
 &= (16/2)*0.2 + 16*0.2 + (16 + (16/2))*0.2 + (16+18)*0.6 \\
 &= 30\text{kg.cm} \quad M3 = (L3/2)*W2 + L4*W3 \\
 &= (16/2)*0.2 + 18*0.6 \\
 &= 12.4\text{kg.cm} \quad M1 = I*\alpha \\
 &= (I1+I2+I3+I4+I5+I6+I7)*\alpha \\
 &= 38.75*0.85 \\
 &= 32.9\text{kg.cm}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where

- $L1$ = Length of link 1
- $L2$ = Length of link 2
- $L3$ = Length of link 3
- $M1$ = Torque due to motor 1
- $M2$ = Torque due to motor 2
- $M3$ = Torque due to motor 3
- $I1$ = Moment of inertia due to link 1
- $I2$ = Moment of inertia due to link 2
- $I3$ = Moment of inertia due to link 3
- $I4$ = Moment of inertia due to motor 2
- $I5$ = Moment of inertia due to motor 3
- $I6$ = Moment of inertia due to motor 4
- $I7$ = Moment of inertia due to gripper arm

4. B) Modified design

The design was modified after the torque calculation.

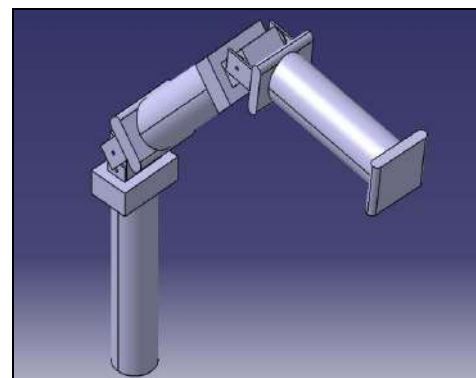


Fig 7: Modified design

5. Cost analysis

Table 1: Cost analysis

Sl. No	Item	Quantity	Price (INR)
1	Stepper Motor 34kgcm	1	4,000/-
2	Stepper Driver	1	1,200/-
3	Servo Motor 32kgcm	1	4,000/-
4	Servo Motor 14kgcm	1	2000/-
5	Servo Motor 6kgcm	1	400/-
6	Microcontroller	1	600/-
7	Base plate	1	300/-
8	3d printing costs		6,200/-
9	Fasteners		100/-
10	Other		2000/-
	Total		20,800/-

6. Conclusion

At present, collaborative robots are being introduced in several vertical industries, including manufacturing, supply chain management and healthcare. Typically, they have lower power requirements than their large autonomous counterparts, are often mobile and use collision detection to avoid injury to their human counterparts.

With advances in mobile technology, machine vision, cognitive computing and touch technology, small and low-power robots can take advantage of their environment and perform various types of tasks close to their employees. When Cobot works side by side, Cobot can learn tasks quickly through demonstration and reinforcement learning.

The cobots deliberately point to this fear. A collaborative robot is not intended to improve the capabilities of the human worker, nor to replace the human worker. In many cases, the Cobot has the shape of an arm and gives the worker additional hands.

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