

**Is it possible to create a
biodegradable wing using
foldable mechanisms to
create net-positive lift?**

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Current Specifications

- Bio-Inspiration
- Updated Specifications
 - No new specifications
 - No extreme changes in kinematics, other than switching to a single motor.

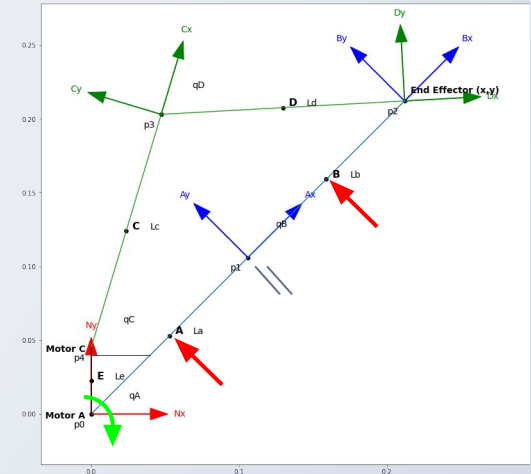
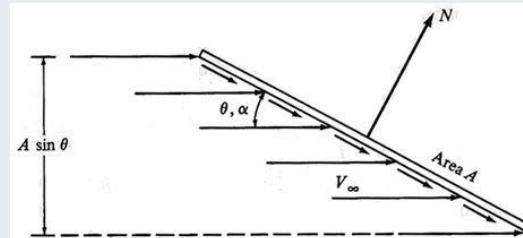
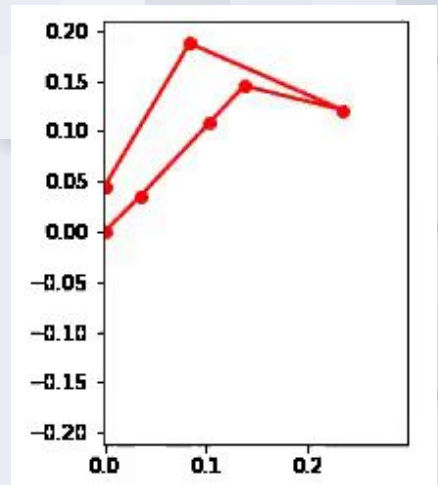


Specifications	
Wing Radius	0.4 m
Chord Length	0.2 m
Flap Frequency	2 Hz
Robot Mass	500g
Flap ROM	45 deg
E.E Force	9.81 N
Power Consumption	23 W

Downward Beat Analysis	
End Effector Force	-9.81 N * Ny
Motor Torque	-0.18Nm
End Effector Velocity	-1.26 m/s * Ny
Motor Velocity	-6.28 rad/s
Total Power Draw	12.32 W

Dynamics

- ❑ Valid initial condition
 - ❑ Fully extended lower arm
 - ❑ 45° lower arm
- ❑ Single torque input - lower base joint
- ❑ 180° angle limiter - lower passive joint
- ❑ Aerodynamic drag
 - ❑ Flat plate model
 - ❑ Applied at com
- ❑ Two compliant links - lower arm
- ❑ Joint stiffness and damping
- ❑ Time-varying parameters
 - ❑ Torque input
 - ❑ Angle limiter stiffness
- ❑ Fixed to test stand



Data Collection

1. Prototyping:

1.1. Changed lengths and widths of prototype, allowed for better range of motion and a better desired path.

2. Tracker simulation:

2.1. The tracker set up and video was pretty straight forward. Set up two different ways, first as a wing attached to wall, this had problems as it would run into the wall and produce bad results. Second, as a pendulum to allow for better data collection.

2.2. Tracker data collection 2+ hour for each point with constant checking for correct template matching.

3. Data Analysis:

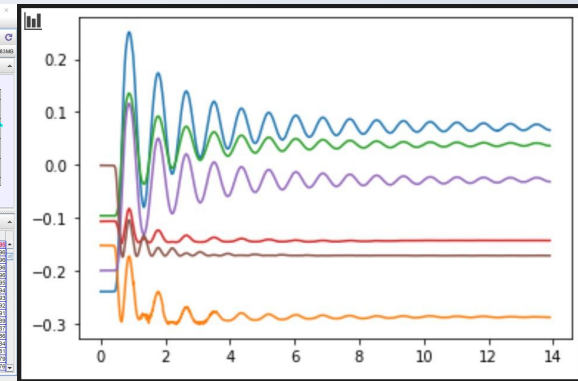
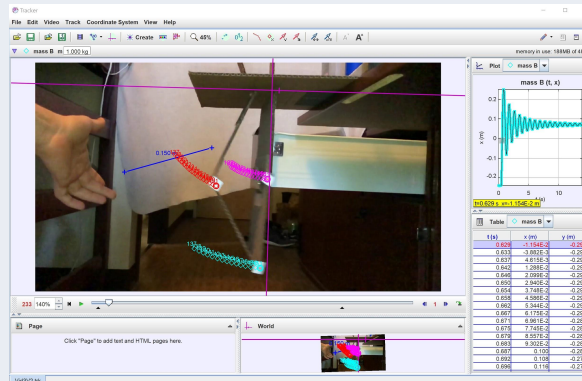
3.1. UNABLE to find b and k values. Despite working code and adjusting the dynamic model to match the tracker sim it still took 24+ hours with multiple adjustments and running multiple types of optimization.

4. Cantilever beam test

$$E = P \cdot l^3 / (3 \cdot (b \cdot h^3 / 12)) = 17800403.23 \text{ N/m}^3$$

5. Data Collection integration

5.1. We ran multiple models and tests in order to find the best fit b and k models we are also in the process of evaluation the Young's modulus and comparing our calculated number vs a online source



Future Plans

- Continue running optimization to fit values for b and k .
- Validate Young's modulus from cantilever beam test with literature
- Experimentally validate parameters we calculate
- Continue to refine the prototype for better performance and integrate the electronics and actuators.

