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New Matrix Representation of Kinematic Chains and Determination of Isomorphism

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Abstract: This paper presents a new method for representing a kinematic chain by a matrix known as chain identification matrix (CIM), which uniquely represents nonisomorphic chains as the eigen vectors of the eigen values of the chain identification matrix of the two isomorphic kinematic chains are same.

Keywords: Chain Identification Matrix, Eigen values, Eigen vectors, Isomorphism, Kinematic Chains

INTRODUCTION

Studies on the matrix representation and determination of isomorphism is available in the literature like the weighted adjacency matrix introduced by Wilson [1] which assigns a number as a weight to different types of the joints in the kinematic chains, the adjacency matrix which shows the connectivity pattern of the links of the kinematic chains was used by Uicker [2], the degree matrix representation of a kinematic chain was presented by Mruthunjaya [3] and the characteristics coefficients of this matrix is used for isomorphism identification, J.P. Cubillo [4] uses eigen values and eigen vectors of the adjacency matrices for isomorphism detection, Motion Property Adjacency Matrix was introduced by Zang [5] to relate the input and output of a mechanism. Twan. J. Li [6] introduces the method for representing a chain having gears and lower pairs with the help of a weighted graph known as combinatorial graph and the matrix representation of such graph is known as combinatorial Matrix which is used to detect isomorphism among geared kinematic chains. Rao [7] introduces hamming distance matrix to represent a kinematic chain, joint-joint matrix representation of the kinematic chains was introduced by Ali Hasan [8] in which the connectivity pattern is shown in terms of the degree of the link connected between two joints, canonical adjacency matrix obtained from the relabelling of the perimeter topological graph canonically was introduced by Hufeng and Ding [9], Nageshwara [10] gives the concept of the flow of motion from one link to the other link represented by a flow matrix, Buctcher [11] introduced a stratified adjacency matrix which is an adjacency matrix of simplified graph is obtained by eliminating the binary vertices from a contracted graph of a

kinematic chain's monograph and a stratified code for the kinematic chain is obtained and used to eliminate the isomer, representation of a kinematic chain by physical connectivity matrix was introduced by Ali Hasan [12] in which the elements of this matrix are zero or a number which represent the type of the pair between the connection of two links and the sum of the coefficients of absolute characteristics polynomial of this matrix works as an indicator of isomorphism. Yang [13] gives a method of the comparison of two chains by their incident matrices.

PRELIMINARIES

- Definition 1: Type of link depends upon the number of connections that a particular link forms if a link is connected with two links it is termed as a binary link, if it is connected with three links then it is termed as ternary link, if it is connected with four links then it is a quaternary link and so on.
- Definition 2: Degree of a particular link depends upon its type the degree of a binary link is 2, the degree of a ternary link is 3, the degree of a quaternary link is 4 and so on.
- Definition 3: A chain identification matrix (CIM) is a unique representation of the kinematic chain and can be formed by the following rule base.
 - $CIM_{ij} = 0$ if the i^{th} link is directly connected to j^{th} link.
 - $CIM_{ij} = n$ where n is the number of the links shared by i^{th} and j^{th} link if they are not directly connected
 - $CIM_{ij} = 0$ if i^{th} and j^{th} link doesn't share any link.
 - $CIM_{ij} = \text{degree of the link if } i=j$

- Definition4: Isomorphism - Two kinematic chains are isomorphic if there is a one-to-one correspondence between the links of one chain to that of the other chain and if there is no such correspondence, the two chains are non isomorphic.

METHODS

Test for Isomorphism

Let CIM1 and CIM2 be the chain identification metrices of the two kinematic chains and Ψ1 and Ψ2 be the eigenvector matrices

for the corresponding CIM1 and CIM2 matrices.

If the matrices Ψ1 and Ψ2 becomes identical by the permutations of interchange of rows or columns at the same time the two chains under consideration are isomorphic.

EXAMPLES OF THE KINEMATIC CHAINS

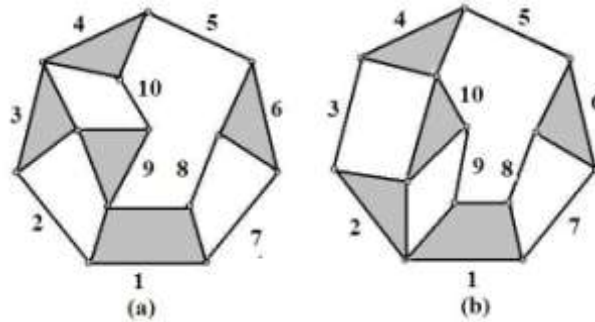


Fig. 1: Pair of 10- link 1-degree of freedom isomorphic chains

$$CIM1(a) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$CIM1(b) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

CIM1(a) and CIM1(b) are the chain identification matrices of the ten link one degree of freedom chains shown in figure 1(a) and 1(b)

$$\Psi1(a) = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0000 & -0.3816 & -0.2544 & 0.0823 & 0.2780 & -0.3927 & 0.2492 & -0.2241 & 0.4878 & 0.4484 \\ -0.0000 & -0.2635 & -0.0528 & -0.5468 & -0.5612 & -0.3274 & -0.0654 & -0.0184 & -0.3354 & 0.2993 \\ 0.0000 & 0.4764 & 0.2847 & -0.3978 & 0.1790 & -0.0806 & -0.3683 & 0.2645 & 0.3936 & 0.3670 \\ -0.0000 & -0.3576 & 0.2786 & -0.0894 & 0.3500 & 0.4373 & -0.3571 & -0.4265 & -0.2626 & 0.3071 \\ 0.0000 & -0.0913 & -0.6368 & -0.2039 & 0.0462 & 0.5672 & 0.0505 & 0.4148 & 0.0305 & 0.2126 \\ 0.0000 & 0.3904 & 0.0862 & -0.0282 & -0.3876 & 0.3827 & 0.4491 & -0.4833 & 0.1825 & 0.2721 \\ 0.7071 & -0.0246 & 0.2937 & 0.0938 & 0.1347 & -0.0069 & 0.3835 & 0.3226 & -0.2550 & 0.2645 \\ -0.7071 & -0.0246 & 0.2937 & 0.0938 & 0.1347 & -0.0069 & 0.3835 & 0.3226 & -0.2550 & 0.2645 \\ 0.0000 & 0.4499 & -0.3889 & 0.4067 & 0.0654 & -0.2265 & -0.2480 & -0.1351 & -0.4366 & 0.3937 \\ -0.0000 & -0.2565 & 0.1925 & 0.5501 & -0.5102 & 0.1458 & -0.3324 & 0.2561 & 0.2660 & 0.2572 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Psi_1(b) = \begin{pmatrix} 0.0000 & 0.3816 & 0.2544 & -0.0823 & -0.2780 & 0.3927 & 0.2492 & -0.2241 & 0.4878 & 0.4484 \\ -0.0000 & -0.4499 & 0.3889 & -0.4067 & -0.0654 & 0.2265 & -0.2480 & -0.1351 & -0.4366 & 0.3937 \\ 0.0000 & 0.2565 & -0.1925 & -0.5501 & 0.5102 & -0.1458 & -0.3324 & 0.2561 & 0.2660 & 0.2572 \\ 0.0000 & 0.3576 & -0.2786 & 0.0894 & -0.3500 & -0.4373 & -0.3571 & -0.4265 & -0.2626 & 0.3071 \\ 0.0000 & 0.0913 & 0.6368 & 0.2039 & -0.0462 & -0.5672 & 0.0505 & 0.4148 & 0.0305 & 0.2126 \\ -0.0000 & -0.3904 & -0.0862 & 0.0282 & 0.3876 & -0.3827 & 0.4491 & -0.4833 & 0.1825 & 0.2721 \\ 0.7071 & 0.0246 & -0.2937 & -0.0938 & -0.1347 & 0.0069 & 0.3835 & 0.3226 & -0.2550 & 0.2645 \\ -0.7071 & 0.0246 & -0.2937 & -0.0938 & -0.1347 & 0.0069 & 0.3835 & 0.3226 & -0.2550 & 0.2645 \\ 0.0000 & 0.2635 & 0.0528 & 0.5468 & 0.5612 & 0.3274 & -0.0654 & -0.0184 & -0.3354 & 0.2993 \\ -0.0000 & -0.4764 & -0.2847 & 0.3978 & -0.1790 & 0.0806 & -0.3683 & 0.2645 & 0.3936 & 0.3670 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Psi_1(a)$ and $\Psi_1(b)$ are the eigenvector matrices obtained by the use of MATLAB for the ten link one degree of freedom chains shown in Fig. 1.

It can be observed easily that by the following permutations of the change of the rows in the matrix $\Psi_1(b)$ at the same time it becomes identical to the matrix $\Psi_1(a)$.

$$R_3 \rightarrow R_{10}, R_2 \rightarrow R_9, R_{10} \rightarrow R_3, R_9 \rightarrow R_2$$

Which shows that both the chains are having one to one correspondence between their links hence the two chains are isomorphic and both the chains has already

being shown isomorphic by F.G. Kong[14] using artificial neural network method and Ashoak[15] using link adjacency values.

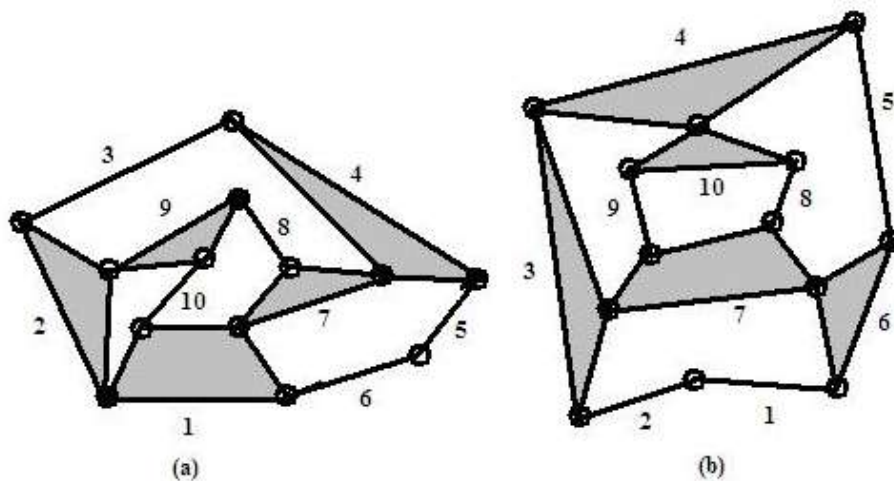


Fig. 2: Pair of 10-link 1-degree of freedom nonisomorphic chains

$$CIM2(a) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$CIM2(b) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

CIM2(a) and CIM2(b) are the chain identification matrices of the ten link one degree of freedom chains shown in Fig-2.

$\Psi2(a)$ and $\Psi2(b)$ are the eigenvector matrices obtained by the use of MATLAB for the ten link one degree of freedom chains shown in figure-2

It can be concluded upon examining the matrix $\Psi2(a)$ and $\Psi2(b)$ that the eigenvectors of the chains shown in Fig-2 are not same which reveals the fact that the two chains are nonisomorphic but in past, the approach of comparison of characteristics polynomial of the adjacency matrix given by Uicker [2] fails to determine the fact that the two chains are nonisomorphic which was pointed out by Mruthyunjaya[16].

$$\Psi2(a) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0000 & -0.4442 & 0.0607 & 0.0000 & -0.4275 & 0.1427 & -0.0810 & -0.3355 & -0.5109 & 0.4646 \\ -0.3536 & -0.0993 & 0.4162 & -0.5000 & 0.1095 & 0.1130 & -0.2082 & -0.0354 & 0.4776 & 0.3801 \\ 0.0000 & -0.0985 & -0.5841 & -0.5000 & 0.3839 & 0.1460 & 0.1917 & 0.2685 & -0.2486 & 0.2445 \\ 0.3536 & 0.0547 & 0.1201 & 0.0000 & 0.3263 & -0.3360 & 0.5156 & -0.5203 & 0.1262 & 0.292 \\ -0.0000 & 0.5276 & 0.3158 & 0.0000 & -0.1971 & 0.4917 & 0.4745 & 0.2258 & -0.1668 & 0.1932 \\ -0.3536 & 0.1842 & -0.4101 & -0.0000 & -0.5500 & -0.4152 & 0.2454 & 0.0530 & 0.2790 & 0.2390 \\ 0.0000 & -0.4043 & 0.1580 & 0.5000 & 0.1837 & -0.1243 & 0.1606 & 0.5823 & 0.1090 & 0.3683 \\ -0.3536 & 0.2064 & -0.3260 & 0.5000 & 0.3097 & 0.3832 & -0.1771 & -0.3492 & 0.1201 & 0.2563 \\ -0.0000 & 0.4978 & 0.1412 & 0.0000 & 0.1680 & -0.4613 & -0.4445 & 0.1402 & -0.4006 & 0.3370 \\ 0.7071 & 0.1183 & -0.2200 & -0.0000 & -0.2285 & 0.2085 & -0.3277 & 0.0944 & 0.3752 & 0.2912 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Psi2(b) = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0000 & -0.5276 & -0.3158 & -0.0000 & -0.1971 & -0.4917 & 0.4745 & 0.2258 & 0.1668 & 0.1932 \\ -0.0000 & -0.2723 & 0.5161 & -0.5000 & -0.0118 & 0.2405 & 0.3960 & -0.3905 & -0.0238 & 0.2040 \\ 0.0000 & 0.4043 & -0.1580 & -0.5000 & 0.1837 & 0.1243 & 0.1606 & 0.5823 & -0.1090 & 0.3683 \\ -0.0000 & 0.0112 & -0.3102 & 0.0000 & 0.6478 & -0.2877 & -0.0575 & -0.4789 & -0.2224 & 0.3451 \\ 0.0000 & 0.0985 & 0.5841 & 0.5000 & 0.3839 & -0.1460 & 0.1917 & 0.2685 & 0.2486 & 0.2445 \\ 0.0000 & 0.0334 & -0.2261 & 0.5000 & -0.2120 & 0.5107 & 0.3649 & -0.0767 & -0.3814 & 0.3278 \\ 0.0000 & 0.4442 & -0.0607 & -0.0000 & -0.4275 & -0.1427 & -0.0810 & -0.3355 & 0.5109 & 0.4646 \\ 0.7071 & -0.1183 & 0.2200 & -0.0000 & -0.2285 & -0.2085 & -0.3277 & 0.0944 & -0.3752 & 0.2912 \\ -0.7071 & -0.1183 & 0.2200 & -0.0000 & -0.2285 & -0.2085 & -0.3277 & 0.0944 & -0.3752 & 0.2912 \\ -0.0000 & -0.4978 & -0.1412 & 0.0000 & 0.1680 & 0.4613 & -0.4445 & 0.1402 & 0.4006 & 0.3370 \end{bmatrix}$$

CONCLUSION

The method proposed in this paper is capable of checking the isomorphism among planer kinematic chains of any size and also in those chains, for which the some of the other apporoches seems difficult or fails. It is the easiest and quick among the methods proposed so far and the worth of this method is because of reason on that it not only identifies all known 16 kinematic chains of 8 links, 230 kinematic chains of 10 links having 1-d.o.f and 40 kinematic chains of 9 links having 2-d.o.f but also successful on all the counter examples reported earlier literature.

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