

Macro: crank_rocker_dsp.mac

Macro	crank_rocker_.mac
Description	Demonstrates four bar chain mechanism (as a crank-rocker) and uses surfaces models (dsp files) for the various components
CM version	Any
Requires	the dsp files read by the <code>setup</code> function, that is: fbc_coupler.dsp, fbc_crank.dsp, fbc_driven.dsp, fbc_pin.dsp, fbc_pivot.dsp, fbc_probe.dsp
See also	macro: crank_rocker.mac

What the macro does

This macro is an extension of macro `crank_rocker.mac`. Both macro set up a four bar mechanism and then allow its motion to be simulated. The simpler macro represents the links by straight lines. Each line lies in a model space. The extended version takes a faceted model of each link and embeds this also into the model space. Figure 1 shows the result.

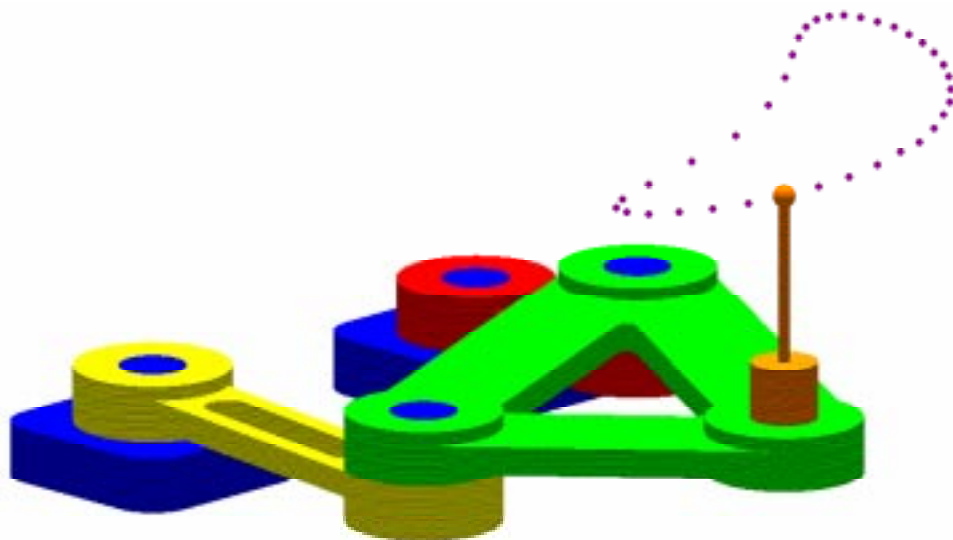


Figure 1: Crank-rocker (four bar) mechanism

How the main part of the macro works

The listing of the macro is given below. The lines of the macro are numbered for ease of reference.

The basic logic of the macro is the same as for `crank_rocker.mac`. Only some of the additional ideas are dealt with here. Note that the size of the mechanism is ten times that in the simpler macro.

The facettted models of the links are created as follows. Each link is modelled in Solid Edge and then saved as an STL file (as well as a PAR file). A separated conversion program is used to convert the STL files into the DSP format required by the constraint modeller.

The entities for the DSP models are declared in lines 0026–0028. Additionally three dimensional model spaces to hold these are declared in lines 0021–0025. Each space is embedded into one of the two dimensional spaces. The three dimensional spaces are used only to adjust the position of the facettted models in the z -direction. The DSP files are read in lines 0078–0104. After each files is read, the geometric object is embedded into the appropriate model space (e.g. line 0079) and its colour is assigned.

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Listing

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0001  $ =====
0002  $   crank_rocker_dsp.mac
0003  $ =====
0004  $   simple four bar mechanism (crank-rocker)
0005  $   with surface models of links etc.
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0007  $ =====
0008  $   cf. crank_rocker.mac
0009  $ =====
0010
0011  dec int    npoint;                $ number of points in cycle
0012  dec int    delay_factor;          $ factor for delay in cycle
0013  npoint = 36;                     $ 36 points
0014  delay_factor = 0;                $ no delay
0015
0016  dec real   d0, d1, d2, d3, d2x, d2y;    $ declare various lengths
0017  dec geom   p1, p2, l1, l2, l3, l2a, l2b; $ declare various geometry
0018  dec geom   ptip;                     $ point for tip of coupler
0019  dec geom   qq[npoint];               $ array of geom (points)
0020  dec mod3   m1, m2, m3;                $ declare 3D model spaces
0021  dec mod3   mcrank, mcoupler, mdriven;  $ model spaces for links
0022  dec mod3   mpivot1, mpivot2;         $ model spaces for pivots
0023  dec mod3   mq;                       $ model space for track
0024  dec mod3   mpin1, mpin3;             $ model spaces for pins
0025  dec mod3   mprobe;                   $ model space for probe
0026  dec geom   dcrank, dcoupler, ddriven; $ dsp for links
0027  dec geom   dpivot1, dpivot2;         $ dsp for pivots
0028  dec geom   dpin1, dpin3, dprobe;     $ dsp for pins and probe
0029  dec geom   echo_qq_flag;             $ flag for track
0030
0031  d0 = 80;                            $ distance between pivots
0032  d1 = 40;                            $ crank length
0033  d2 = 100;                           $ coupler length
0034  d2x = 80;                           $ coupler x offset
0035  d2y = 60;                           $ coupler y offset
0036  d3 = 80;                            $ driven link length
0037
0038  echo_qq_flag = 1;                    $ set flag to one
0039
0040
0041  function setup                        $ start function
0042  {
0043      p1 = pnt( 0, 0, 0 );              $ one pivot (at origin)
0044      p2 = pnt( d0, 0, 0 );             $ second pivot
0045      ccol( blue(), p1, p2 );           $ change colour
0046      cfont( 7, p1, p2 );              $ change font of points
0047      m1 = mod3( 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 90 );   $ model space for crank line
0048      m2 = mod3( 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -45, m1 ); $ model space for coupler lineS
0049      m3 = mod3( 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 90 );   $ model space for driven line
0050      l1 = lin( 0,0,0, d1,0,0, m1 );    $ line to represent crank

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Figure 2: Listing of macro crank_rocker_dsp.mac (part 1)

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0051     l2 = lin( 0,0,0, d2,0,0, m2 );           $ line to represent coupler
0052     l2a = lin( 0,0,0, d2x,d2y,0, m2 );        $ line of coupler triangle
0053     l2b = lin( d2,0,0, d2x,d2y,0, m2 );        $ line of coupler triangle
0054     ptip = pnt( d2x, d2y, 0, m2 );             $ point at tip of triangle
0055     l3 = lin( 0,0,0, d3,0,0, m3 );             $ line to represent driven
0056     ccol( red(), l1 );                         $ make crank red
0057     ccol( green(), l2, l2a, l2b, ptip );        $ make coupler green
0058     ccol( yellow(), l3 );                      $ make driven link yellow
0059     cfont( 4, ptip );                         $ make it a circle
0060     pivot( m1, l1:e1, p1 );                    $ attach crank to p1
0061     pivot( m2, l2:e1, l1:e2 );                $ attach coupler to crank
0062     pivot( m3, l3:e1, p2 );                    $ attach driven to p2
0063     fix( m1:p, m1:q, m1:r, m1:ax, m1:ay );    $ fix other parts of space
0064     fix( m2:p, m2:q, m2:r, m2:ax, m2:ay );    $ fix other parts of space
0065     fix( m3:p, m3:q, m3:r, m3:ax, m3:ay );    $ fix other parts of space
0066
0067     mpivot1 = mod3( 0, 0, 0, 0,0,0 );          $ model space for pivot dsp
0068     mpivot2 = mod3( d0, 0, 0, 0,0,0 );          $ model space for pivot dsp
0069     mcrank = mod3( 0, 0, 5, 0,0,0, m1 );        $ model space for crank dsp
0070     mcoupler = mod3( 0, 0,15, 0,0,0, m2 );      $ model space for coupler dsp
0071     mdriven = mod3( 0, 0, 5, 0,0,0, m3 );       $ model space for driven dsp
0072     mqq = mod3( 0, 0,60, 0,0,0 );              $ model space for track
0073     mpin1 = mod3( d1,0,10, 0,0,0, m1 );        $ model space for pin dsp
0074     mpin3 = mod3( d3,0,10, 0,0,0, m3 );        $ model space for pin dsp
0075
0076     mprobe = mod3( d2x,d2y,20, 0,0,0, m2 );    $ model space for pivot dsp
0077
0078     dpivot1 = readdsp( "fbc_pivot.dsp" );       $ read dsp data
0079     dpivot1:m = &mpivot1;                      $ embed into model space
0080     dpivot2 = readdsp( "fbc_pivot.dsp" );       $ read dsp data
0081     dpivot2:m = &mpivot2;                      $ embed into model space
0082     ccol( blue(), dpivot1, dpivot2 );          $ change colour
0083
0084     dcrank = readdsp( "fbc_crank.dsp" );        $ read dsp data
0085     dcrank:m = &mcrank;                        $ embed into model space
0086     ccol( red(), dcrank );                     $ change colour
0087
0088     dcoupler = readdsp( "fbc_coupler.dsp" );    $ read dsp data
0089     dcoupler:m = &mcoupler;                    $ embed into model space
0090     ccol( green(), dcoupler );                 $ change colour
0091
0092     ddriven = readdsp( "fbc_driven.dsp" );      $ read dsp data
0093     ddriven:m = &mdriven;                      $ embed into model space
0094     ccol( yellow(), ddriven );                 $ change colour
0095
0096     dpin1 = readdsp( "fbc_pin.dsp" );           $ read dsp data
0097     dpin1:m = &mpin1;                         $ embed into model space
0098     dpin3 = readdsp( "fbc_pin.dsp" );          $ read dsp data
0099     dpin3:m = &mpin3;                         $ embed into model space
0100     ccol( blue(), dpin1, dpin3 );              $ change colour

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Figure 3: Listing of macro crank_rocker_dsp.mac (part 2)

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0101
0102     dprobe = readdsp( "fbc_probe.dsp" );           $ read dsp data
0103     dprobe:m = &mprobe;                           $ embed into model space
0104     ccol( rgb(1.0,0.5,0.0), dprobe );              $ change colour
0105 }                                                    $ end of function
0106
0107
0108
0109 function    echo_wire_frame                        $ start of function
0110 {
0111     dec int  code;                                $ local variable
0112     inp      code;                                $ function has one argument
0113
0114     echo( code, p1, p2, ptip );                    $ echo points on/off
0115     echo( code, l1, l2, l2a, l2b, l3 );             $ echo lines on/off
0116     rpnt();                                        $ clear and repaint
0117 }                                                    $ end of function
0118
0119
0120 function    echo_dsp                               $ start of function
0121 {
0122     dec int  code;                                $ local variable
0123     inp      code;                                $ function has one argument
0124
0125     echo( code, dcrank, dcoupler, ddriven );        $ echo on/off some dsp variables
0126     echo( code, dpin1, dpin3, dprobe );             $ and some more
0127     echo( code, dpivot1, dpivot2 );                 $ and some more
0128     rpnt();                                        $ clear and repaint
0129 }                                                    $ end of function
0130
0131
0132 function    echo_qq                                $ start of function
0133 {
0134     dec int  i, code;                              $ declare local variables
0135     inp      code;                                $ functio has one argument
0136
0137     loop( i, 0, npoint )                           $ start loop
0138     { echo( code, qq[i] );                          $ echo one track point on/off
0139     }                                                $ end loop
0140     rpnt();                                        $ clear and repaint
0141
0142     echo_qq_flag = code;                            $ set flag value
0143 }                                                    $ end of function
0144
0145
0146
0147
0148 function    do_delay                                $ start of function
0149 {
0150     dec int  i, j;                                $ declare local variables

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Figure 4: Listing of macro crank_rocker_dsp.mac (part 3)

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0151     dec real  a, b;
0152
0153     loop( i, 0, delay_factor )           $ start loop
0154     { a = i;
0155       loop( j, 0, 1000 )                 $ start another loop
0156       { b = j;
0157         a = a + sin( a + b );             $ do pointless calculation ...
0158       }                                   $ ... to waste some time
0159     }                                     $ end inner loop
0160   }                                     $ end outer loop
0161                                     $ end of function
0162
0163   function assemble                       $ start of function
0164   {
0165     var m2, m3;                           $ just change m2, m3 (angles az)
0166
0167     rule( l2:e2 on l3:e2 );               $ connect coupler and driven
0168   }                                     $ end of function
0169
0170   function cycle                          $ start of function
0171   {
0172     dec int i, code;                       $ declare local variables
0173     dec real ahold, astep;
0174     inp code;                             $ function has one argument
0175
0176     ahold = m1:az;                         $ hold current crank angle
0177     astep = 360/npoint;                   $ angular step
0178
0179     loop( i, 0, npoint )                 $ start of loop for cycling
0180     { m1:az = ahold + i*astep;           $ advance crank angle
0181       assemble();                       $ reassemble
0182       qq[i] = transf( ptip );           $ transform ptip to world space
0183       qq[i]:m = &mqq;                   $ embed in space mmqq
0184       ccol( magenta(), qq[i] );         $ change colour of held point
0185       cfont( 6, qq[i] );                $ and its font
0186       echo( echo_qq_flag, qq[i] );      $ apply existing flag
0187       rpnt( code );                     $ repaint the graphics
0188       if( i < npoint )                  $ if not at the last step ...
0189       { do_delay();                     $ ... do a delay
0190       }
0191     }
0192   }                                     $ end of loop
0193
0194   m1:az = ahold;                         $ restore original crank angle
0195
0196   fwriteln( 0, "Cycle finished" );       $ output messages
0197   fwriteln( 0, "delay_factor =",
0198             delay_factor );
0199 }                                     $ end of fucntion
0200

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Figure 5: Listing of macro crank_rocker_dsp.mac (part 4)

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0201
0202     graphics();                                $ open graphics window
0203     deflight();                                $ apply default lighting
0204     vvector( 2.5, 2.5, 1.0 );                  $ set view vector
0205     setup();                                    $ call setup function
0206     assemble();                                $ do initial assembly
0207     echo_wire_frame( 0 );                      $ switch off wire frame
0208     echo_dsp( 1 );                             $ switch on surfaces
0209     rpnt();                                    $ repaint to show graphics
0210     zoom();                                    $ zoom to fit graphics area
0211
0212     menu fbc                                    $ start menu definition
0213     {
0214         button Reset
0215         { setup();                                $ call setup functio
0216           rpnt();                                $ repaint (clearing screen)
0217         }
0218         button Assemble
0219         { assemble();                            $ do the assembly
0220           rpnt( 0 );                            $ repaint without clearing
0221         }
0222         submenu Background
0223         { button Black
0224           { background( 0, 0, 0 );                $ black background
0225             rpnt(1);                            $ clear and repaint
0226           }
0227           button Grey (0.33)
0228           { background( 0.33, 0.33, 0.33 );      $ dark grey background
0229             rpnt(1);                            $ clear and repaint
0230           }
0231           button Grey (0.67)
0232           { background( 0.67, 0.67, 0.67 );      $ light grey background
0233             rpnt(1);                            $ clear and repaint
0234           }
0235           button White
0236           { background( 1, 1, 1 );                $ white background
0237             rpnt(1);                            $ clear and repaint
0238           }
0239         }
0240         submenu Views>
0241         { button Initial
0242           { vvector( 2.5, 2.5, 1.0 );            $ view initially used
0243             rpnt(1);                            $ clear and repaint
0244           }
0245           button Isometric
0246           { vvector( 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 );            $ isometric view
0247             rpnt(1);                            $ clear and repaint
0248           }
0249         }
0250     submenu Echo>

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Figure 6: Listing of macro crank_rocker_dsp.mac (part 5)

```

0251 { button Wireframe ON
0252 { echo_wire_frame(1);
0253 } $ switch on wireframe
0254 button Wireframe OFF
0255 { echo_wire_frame(0);
0256 } $ switch off wireframe
0257 button Surfaces (dsp) ON
0258 { echo_dsp(1);
0259 } $ switch on dsp surfaces
0260 button Surfaces (dsp) OFF
0261 { echo_dsp(0);
0262 } $ switch off dsp surfaces
0263 button Track (qq) ON
0264 { echo_qq(1);
0265 } $ switch on track points
0266 button Track (qq) OFF
0267 { echo_qq(0);
0268 } $ switch off track points
0269 }
0270 button Cycle(0)
0271 { cycle( 0 );
0272 } $ call cycle function
0273 button Cycle(1)
0274 { cycle( 1 );
0275 } $ call cycle function
0276 submenu Delay>
0277 { button 0
0278 { delay_factor = 0;
0279 } $ no delay
0280 button 1
0281 { delay_factor = 1;
0282 } $ set delay_factor
0283 button 2
0284 { delay_factor = 2;
0285 } $ set delay_factor
0286 button 5
0287 { delay_factor = 5;
0288 } $ set delay_factor
0289 button 10
0290 { delay_factor = 10;
0291 } $ set delay_factor
0292 button 20
0293 { delay_factor = 20;
0294 } $ set delay_factor
0295 button 50
0296 { delay_factor = 50;
0297 } $ set delay_factor
0298 button 100
0299 { delay_factor = 100;
0300 } $ set delay_factor

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Figure 7: Listing of macro crank_rocker_dsp.mac (part 6)

```
0301     }  
0302 }  
0303  
0304 remmenu();           $ remove any existing menu  
0305 addmenu( fbc );      $ put up new menu  
0306  
0307 $ End of file  
0308
```

Figure 8: Listing of macro crank_rocker_dsp.mac (part 7)