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CME355 - MATERIAL HANDLING AND SOLID PROCESSING

CME355	MATERIAL HANDLING AND SOLID PROCESSING EQUIPMENT	L	T	P	C
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COURSE OBJECTIVES

- 1 To provide knowledge on materials handling equipment.
- 2 To provide knowledge on Industrial Vehicles
- 3 To provide knowledge on conveyor equipment.
- 4 To provide knowledge on Auxiliary Equipment and Hoisting Equipment.
- 5 To provide knowledge on Bulk Handling Equipment and Systems

UNIT – I INTRODUCTION TO MATERIALS HANDLING 9

Basic principles & objectives in material handling and its benefits - Classification of material handling equipment - selection of material handling equipments - guidelines for effective utilisation of material handling equipments - unit load concept

UNIT – II INDUSTRIAL VEHICLES 9

Introduction and types - Hand trucks - Two wheel Hand Trucks - Multiple wheel Hand Trucks - Hand Lift Trucks - Power Trucks - Fixed Platform Truck - Platform Lift Truck - Pallet Lift Truck - Walkie Truck - Straddle Carrier - Fork Lift Trucks - Specifications of FLT - FLT Attachments - Tractors - Industrial Tractor-Trailer-Self-propelled trucks and fork trucks - Automated guided vehicles Theory

UNIT – III CONVEYORS 9

Classification of conveyors- Definition - Description - General Characteristics - types and uses of belt Conveyors - Roller conveyors - Haulage Conveyors - Screw Conveyors - Bucket Conveyors - Chain Conveyors - Cable Conveyors - Pneumatic and Hydraulic conveyors - Computer controlled conveyor system.

UNIT – IV AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT AND HOISTING EQUIPMENT 9

Hoppers - Gates- Feeders- Chutes-positioners- Ball Table- Weighing and Control Equipment- Pallet loaders and unloaders - applications and advancements. - Hoisting Equipment - parts of hoisting equipment - Description and uses of hoists - Description and uses of ropes - description and purpose of crane hooks - Elevators - Cranes - Derricks - and its types

UNIT – V BULK HANDLING EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS 9

Storage of bulk solids - bulk handling equipment - Robotic handling - Materials handling at the workplace - Robots and their classification - Major components of a robot - classification of Robotic manipulators - Robotic handling applications

TOTAL:45 PERIODS

OUTCOMES: At the end of the course the students would be able to

1. Discuss the basic concepts of material handling equipment.
2. Explain the basic working principles of various industrial Vehicles.
3. Develop the basic working principles of various conveyors.
4. Elaborate the basic working principles of various Auxiliary Equipment and Hoisting Equipment.
5. Explain the basic working principles of various Bulk Handling Equipment and Systems.

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UNIT-1

Introduction to material handling:

Material handling: is loading, moving and unloading of materials.

To do it safely and economically, different types of ladders, gadgets and equipment are used when the material handling is referred to as mechanical handling of materials.

Basic Principles:

Materials handling is the moving of materials mechanically.

* Material handling such is not a production process. and hence does not add to the value of the product.

* It also cost money; therefore it should be eliminated or at least reduced as much as possible.

* It important point in favour of material handling is that it help production.

Objective of material handling:

* Minimize cost of material handling

* Safety in material handling through improvement in working condition.

* Maximum utilisation of material handling equipment.

- x Prevent of damages to material
- x Lower investment in process inventory.

PRINCIPLES OF MATERIALS:

- 1) Planning
- 2) System
- 3) Space utilisation
- 4) unit load
- 5) Gravity
- 6) Material flow
- 7) Simplification
- 8) Safety principles
- a) Mechanisation principle
- b) Standardisation principle.

SELECTION OF MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENTS:

- x Properties of material
- x Layout and characteristic of the building
- x Production flow
- x Cost consideration
- x Nature of operation.
- x Engineering factor
- x Equipment Reliability.

Guidelines for effective utilisation of material handling equipment!

- x AS material handling adds no value but increases the production cycle time, eliminate handling wherever possible.
- x Sequence the operation in logical manner so that handling is unidirectional & smooth.
- x Use gravity wherever possible as it results in conservation of power and fuel.
- x Install a regular preventive maintenance programme for material handling equipment so that downtime is minimum.
- x In selection of handling equipment, criteria of Versatility and adaptability must be the governing factor.
- x Weight of unit load must be maximum so that each handling trip is productive.
- x Work steady aspects, such as elimination of unnecessary movement and combination of functions should be considered while installing a material handling system.

Material handling equipments:

Material handling equipments can be classified in two categories.

- a) Fixed path equipments.
- b) Variable path equipment.

a) which move in a fixed path. conveyors, monorail devices, chutes and pulley drive equipments belong to this category.

b) It has no restriction in the direction of movement although their size & factors to be given due consideration. truck, forklift, mobile cranes and industrial tractor belong to this category.

x Conveyors.

x Industrial truck

x Cranes and hoist

x Containers

x Robots etc.

x Trucks

x Fork lift

x Chutes etc.

Characteristics and classification of material

The different material are used and need to be handled in Industries.

They are classified based on specific characteristic relevant to their handling.

Basic classification of material is made on the basis of forms; which are.

- x Gases
- x Liquid
- x Semi liquid
- x Solids.

x Gases it is primarily pressure high or low
Chemical properties are also important.

x Liquid the relevant characteristic are density
viscosity, freezing and boiling point, temp etc.

x Semi-liquid are slurry, sewage, sludge.
mud, pulp, paste etc.

x Gases are generally handled in tight and
where required pressure resisting containers

x The method of handling of large volume
of gas is through pipes by the help of
compressor, blower etc.

The classification are based on.

- a) Shape of unit load.
- b) position of C.G
- c) mass of unit load in 10 steps from 0-2.5 kg to more than 5000 kg.
- d) Volume per unit in 10 steps from 0-10 cm^3 to more than 10m^3 .
- e) Geometrical Shape.
- f) specific physical and chemical properties of unit load like abrasive, corrosive, dust emitting, damp, greasy/oily, hot, cold, toxic, radioactive etc.
- h) Load sensitive to pressure, shock, vibration, turning / tilting acceleration / deceleration, cold, heat, light, radiation, damp etc.

Major characteristics of bulk material so, far as their handling is concerned, are lump size, bulk weight, specific, moisture content, permeability, angle of repose, abrasiveness, temperature, stickiness, lumps or dusty etc.

unlike workplace

x product damage

x High Packaging cost

x Reduced handling efficiency

x Wasted natural resources

x Reduction of Environmental quality

System-based design:

It is a proven process of unit load components cost optimization based on an understanding of how the pallet, packaging and material handling equipment interact during product distribution and storage to design the unit load components first

x Standards - compliant design

Standards permit a unit load to be designed and tested to meet a written specification (or) test method.

It comply with a standard and validated to determined that unit load is indeed effective.

Unit load concepts

The term unit load refers to the size of an assemblage into which a number of individual items are combined for ease of storage and handling.

Function:

Most consumer and industrial products move through the supply chain in unitized or unit load form for at least part of their distribution cycle.

Unit load makes handling, storage and distribution more efficient.

They help reduce handling costs and damage by reducing individual handling.

• Component-based design.

- 1) Packaging and Labeling
- 2) Pallet
- 3) Handling / Storage equipment
- 4) The distribution environment.

The consequences of independent components based design in the supply chain can include:

Industrial vehicles:

Industrial Vehicles/trucks is one of the most common group of material handling equipment used in industry.

The entire range of industrial vehicles/trucks are generally sub-classified into two groups.

- x Non-powered truck (hand trucks)
- x powered trucks

The powered truck can be further classified into three sub group

- (a) Power truck
- b) Forklift truck.
- c) Tractor

Hand trucks:

It have no source of motive power, these are generally moved manually or are attached to other powered moving equipment/units

- (i) 2-wheel hand
- (ii) multiple-wheel hand truck
- (iii) Hand lift truck.

Hydraulic lifting mechanism:

x This consists of a hydraulic ram, an oil storage vessel and a plunger pump.

x The handle of the truck is connected to the plunger of the pump through suitable mechanism such as when the handle moved up and down.

x The pump forces a certain quantity of oil in the ram which through suitable linkage mechanism raises the platform with load.

Capacity range hand lift truck vary bet $\frac{1}{2}$ ton to 10 ton.

Mechanical lifting mechanism.

The mechanism is operated by a system levers. The platform is raised by actuating a handle, which in turn, raises a pawl that falls into slot or groove.

x Capacity of mechanical hand truck is generally limited to 1 ton.

(a) Pallet

b) Platform

c) Special types.

a) Hand pallet trucks:

It is used for handling pallet.

It consist of two strongly build metallic finger called forks, Connected at one end to give a U-fork a wheel is provided. which acts in accordance with the lifting system.

b) Platform lift trucks

* It is similar to a pallet truck expecting that instead of two fork it has a platform, which can be raised

* The Platform may be solid or of open frame structure.

* The Capacity & nominal size of lift trucks of this kind vary within range $\frac{1}{2}$ ton to 3 ton 450mm to 680mm width, 750 to 1800mm length and lift height from 150 to higher values.

c) lifting feature has been utilized in designing various type of lifting trucks for handling various specialized load in industries.

Power trucks:

When a vehicle / truck contain its own source of motive power it is called power truck.

The six groups of BIS specification numbers

- 1) mode of action
- 2) power source
- 3) type of wheel
- 4) mode of control
- 5) height of lift
- 6) mode of travel.

Fixed Platform truck:

x These are powered industrial truck having a fixed level, non-elevating platform for carrying load.

x Material to be moved has to be loaded and unloaded to and from the platform by hand, hoist or crane.

Platform lift truck (Powered)

These equipment are a particular type of powered platform truck, whose platform can be raised or lowered to handle load on stand.

Range - upto 300mm in high-lift over 300mm.

Pallet lift truck (powered)

x These are similar to platform lift truck in which the platform is replaced by fork to work also with load on pallet.

x Low-lift models are used for movement of material only while the high lift models are

are used for stacking or pallet / skids one over another or in storage racks.

(a) Reach truck

(b) Slide loader truck.

Walkie Trucks:

This implies different type of powered truck described above.

× When the operator walks with the truck and operate it by means of control available on the truck handle.

× Walkie truck are smaller, lighter and slower than rider-types, generally powered by battery.

Straddle carrier:

× This a self-loading powered truck for movement of long & heavy load, including shipping containers.

× The truck consist of a inverted 'U' shaped frame having wheels mounted on outside of the frame.

× The move with load and unload it very quickly at a desired location.

Capacity - upto 40 tonnes is common.

Fork lift Trucks:

It is useful and widely used equipment in industrial lift truck called fork lift trucks.

- (i) The Source of Power is Petrol / diesel or LP gas engine or a battery driven.
- (ii) The mast may be tilted forward or backward within range for better stability during movement with load and also to facilitate loading & unloading.
- (iii) The operation of the mast and movement of the forks are through a hydraulic power pack.
- (iv) The body of the truck is purposely built heavy which act as counter load when lifting load on forks.
- (v) Solid rubber tyre are provided for operation in different floor conditions.

FLT Attachments

A pair of fork is used for working with Sticks, pallets, containers and box shaped load resting on legs / packers.

- | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| x Boom | x Shovel |
| x Clamp | x Special fork |
| x Drum grab | x Vacuum |
| x Crane | x Side-shifter |
| x Box handler | x Rotator. |
| x Top-bottom | |
| x Load inverter cum pusher | |
| x Load pusher | |
| x Ram. | |

Specification of FLT:

There are different operating parameters or specification based on which suitable FLT is determined.

- x Rated Capacity (1000kg, 2000kg)
- x power source (gas, diesel, battery etc)
- x Turning radius
- x physical dimension
- x Mast height.
- x lift height.
- x Mast specification.
- x Travel speed
- x Floor clearance.
- x free lift.
- x Retractable fork
- x Fork size x Attachment provided.

Other important specification

x motive power (ii) Power transmission (disc clutch, fluid coupling etc) (iii) type specification (iv) battery and charger specification etc.

Tractor:

Tractor is a vehicle having its own source of motive power, used as prime mover to haulie, to give motion to another or a group of other vehicle which do not have their own motive power, such as trailers, semi trailer, transfer car etc.

Industrial tractor:

(i) wheel type which are primarily used for movement of one to more trailers for inter plant or intra plant transportation.

(ii) crawler type which are mostly used in outdoors and storage yard service at slow speed and for short hauls.

They are classified as small (100 kg normal to 500 kg)

medium (250 kg normal to 750 kg)

Large (1.0 ton to 5 ton max)

Other specification are physical dimension, weight, horse power, number of wheel drive, front or rear wheel steer, walkie or rider type etc.

x An electronically guided type require no operator which follow a white line painted or a wire embedded in the floor.

x These may be programmed for automatic decoupling of trailer and give signal of arrival at two ends.

x A two wheel tractor depend working on conjunction with the attachment or load carrier for a balance steering of the tractor is done by pivoting about one of the two wheel, thereby resulting in very small turning radius a high maneuverability of the tractor.

Trailers.

Trailers are load bearing wheels vehicle or car without any motive, power, designed to be drawn by a tractor or truck.

x A semi trailer is a truck-trailer having one or more axles and constructed that a part of its weight is carried by the truck/tractor.

x A full trailer constructed to carry almost all its weight on its own wheels.

x More than one trailer may be pulled at time by a tractor is called a tractor trailer train.

x Trailers can be different shape & sizes.

Unit-3

Conveyors:

Belt Conveyors:

A belt conveyor consists of an endless flat and flexible belt of sufficient strength, made of fabric, rubber, plastic or metal.

Characteristics:

1. Belt conveyor operates in one vertical plane horizontally or with an inclination (up or down) depending on the frictional property of the load conveyed.
2. Conveying Capacity of a conveyor can be controlled by changing a belt speed.
3. Belt conveyors are generally employed for continuous flow of material.
4. Metal/special belts can carry hot, abrasive or reactive materials.

Conveyors.

a) Belt Conveyor

- 1) Flat
- 2) trough
- 3) closed
- 4) metallic
- 5) portable

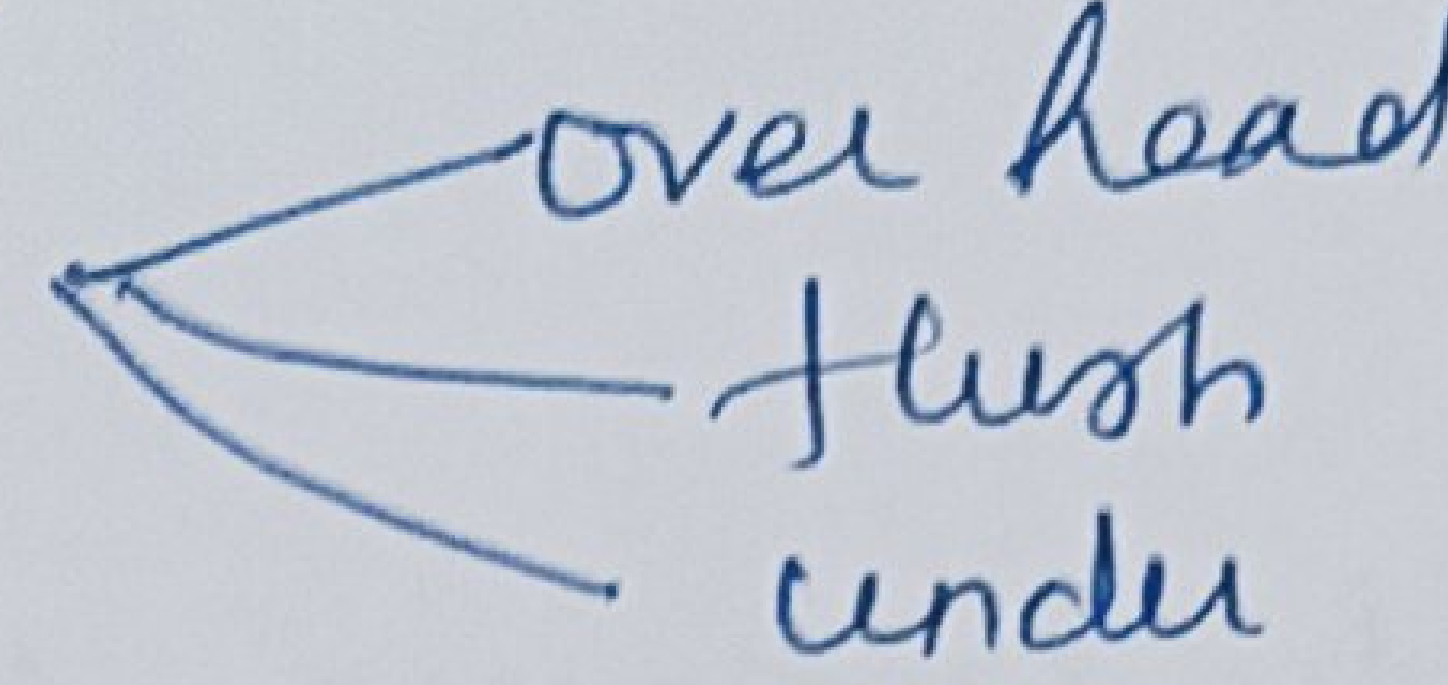
b) Chain Conveyor

- 1) apron
- 2) Slat
- 3) Cross-bars
- 4) Car type
- 5) power and free

c) Haulage conveyors

1) drag chain

2) flight

3) tow 

d) Cable conveyor.

e) Bucket conveyor.

1) gravity discharge

2) pivoted bucket

3) bucket elevator.

f) Roller convey

a) gravity

Types of belt conveyor:

Flat belt conveyor:

x The active side of belt remains flat supported by cylindrical rollers or flat slider bed.

The conveyor is generally short in length and suitable for conveying unit load like crates, boxes, packages, bundles length and suitable for conveying unit load like crates, boxes, packages, bundles etc.

Throughed belt conveyor:

In this conveyor, comparatively wide flat belt is supported on throughed carrying roller or shaped supporting surface.

x The conveyor are used in handling bulk materials of different classes.

x The return side of the belt is generally kept flat supported on cylindrical rollers.

x The troughed conveyor are used within a plant for moving bulk material from one point to another.

x These are comparatively of shorter length and path of movement in straight line in a horizontal or an inclined plane.

x The stresses in the belt within limit of cotton fabric belts.

x Troughed belt conveyor are used for transportation of bulk material over long distance, by means^{-con} of a series of conveyor, over path that are combination of inclines, declines and horizontal sections.

x These are generally termed as long centre conveyor.

Long - Centre :

(i) transportation of the output of mine to the processing plants

(ii) material from shipping port to the storage / transport loading etc

(iii) movement of material between planes etc.

Closed belt conveyor.

(i) It can handle fragile material safely, and without breaking by reducing inter particle collision.

(ii) Ability to handle corrosive and reactive material without contamination.

x Metallic belt conveyor

x portable conveyor

x Chain or rope driven belt conveyor.

x Submerged belt conveyor

Parts of belt conveyor.

a) conveyor belt

x belt construction

x Belt cover

x Belt width

x belt splicing

b) Idler

Chain conveyors:

Chain conveyor means a group of different types of conveyors used in diverse application, characterized by one or multiple strand of endless chain to travel entire conveyor path, driven by one or a set of sprocket at one end and supported by one or a set of sprocket at another end.

Haulage conveyors:

It is a special group of chain conveyor. It implies the material is dragged, pushed or towed by means of a chain (or chain making use of flight or surface which are parts to the chain themselves).

conveyors run at low speed (15 to 600 m/min)

Type of haulage conveyors:

a) Drag Chain Conveyor.

It is a conveyor having one or more endless chain which slide in a track or tracks resting at the bottom of a trough and material resting directly on the chain are carried by the chain links.

- (i) Multiple Strand drag
- (ii) pusher-bar
- (iii) wide-chain drag

b) Flight conveyor.

c) Tow conveyor.

(a) overhead

b) flush-floor.

c) under floor tow conveyor.

These are widely used in applications moving automobile, work racks, in manufacturing assembly line warehouses, freight handling terminals etc.

Types of Chain conveyors:

- a) Apron or Pan conveyor
- b) Apron / pan design
 - 1) Flat, Spaced apron
 - 2) Corrugated apron
 - 3) Special types.
- c) Cross-Barr (or) Arm conveyor
- d) Car-type conveyor.
- e) Carrier chain & flat top chain conveyor.

Flat-Top chain conveyor.

It is partide of Carrier Chain conveyors may be trolley or sliding type, which specially designed chain link or with flat plate attached to the chain link to provide a continuous, smooth like bottle, cans etc.

Trolley conveyor:

- (i) Load - carrying trolley.
- ii) Load - propelling trolley
- (iii) Load trolley trolley conveyor.
- (iv) Suspended tray conveyor.

Components of Chain conveyors:

- a) Pulling chain
- b) Sprocket to drive and support the chain
- c) Take up arrangement
- d) Drive arrangement.
- e) Various other components specific to various chain conveyor

- i) Compression type which operates on toggle principle
- ii) Screw type
- iii) Weight operated type.
- iv) End dump bucket for discharging load from one to other end.

Roller conveyors:

A roller convey supports unit type of load on a series of roller mounted on bearing resting at fixed spacing on two side frames which are fixed to stand or trestle placed on floor at certain interval.

- 1) unpowered
- 2) powered.

unpowered are not driven or powered from an external source.

The load rolls over the series of roller either by manual push or push from endless moving chain or rope fitted with pusher dogs, rod or clamps.

Types of Roller Conveyors:

- a) unpowered roller

Parts of unpowered roller

✓ Rollers.

Cable conveyors:

These conveyors form a distinct group of material handling equipment to transport people and bulk material for load carrying bucket, using overhead moving cable or wire ropes and are composed of one or more spans from the loading point to the discharge point covering long distance is known as rope ways.

(i) As load are moved at a substantial height from the ground, shortest route between the terminals can be followed.

(ii) Cost of operation is comparatively less than other transportation.

(iii) material are moved bet distantly located points without the need of re-handling.

Classification.

- x bicable
- x monocable.

Component of Cable Conveyor:

x one or more cable one of which is driven which pull the load

x A number of load carrying bucket or carriers which are hung through hanger from wheeled

x loading & discharge

x drive arrangement.

The rigid hangers are connected with traction rope through grips.

- Cylindrical
- double tapered
- co-wheel

Roller parameter	Type of roller		
	Medium	heavy	Extra heavy
Roller dia (mm)	73	105	155
Max load per roller kg	200	600	1200
Axle dia at the Journal mm	20	30	45

Frame is that part of the conveyor on which the roller axes are rest and fixed to.

- × The axes are flat machined at the ends so that the axes do not rotate in slots.
- × For heavy rollers, the axes may be fixed on the frame by clamps.

Pneumatic Conveyor:

It is process of conveying granular/powdered material floating the material in a gas, primarily air and then allowing it to flow as designed through a closed pipe.

- × Pipe line conveyor.
- × Air activated gravity
- × Tube conveyor.

Advantage:

- 1) High capacity of material can be conveyed over a considerable length
- 2) Comparatively simple.
- 3) Flexibility in selection.
- 4) The conveying process is generally in place its early.

UNIT - IV

Auxiliary Equipment and Hoisting Equipment

Gates:

Gates are used in conjunction with various bulk material storage hoppers to close or open the outlet and adjust discharge of material in batches from the hoppers.

- 1) Slide gates
- 2) Trough gates
- 3) Pivoted gates

Feeders:

× Powered feeder are used for continuous and controlled flow of bulk material from a storage to a M/H equipment

× Bulk material feeder are generally installed near the outlet of a material hopper and serve to unload the hopper at a controlled rate.

× Desired flow is achieved by varying in finicity the rate of operation of the loading elements.

- (i) Belt feeders
- 2) Apron feeders
- 3) Screw feeder
- 4) Oscillating feeder.
- 5) Vibrating feeder.

x rotary disk feeders.

Chutes:

Chutes are inclined connection bet two system of MH equipment or production equipment in the form of through of definite geometrical cross section pipes, which convey unit or bulk load by gravity.

Throughs:

For bulk material, rectangular or round shaped throughs are used

x These may be lined by cast iron or hard plat or glass tiles for abrasive material.

pipes are used for dusty or liquidous material

x Ladder and spiral chutes

x Transfer slides.

Positioners:

< It is defined to be task of orienting material into the workplace.

x It is a component of MH at the workplace

x It conventionally a manual operation performed by the operator by processing equipment

x The purpose of positioner is to perform the positioning opn. independent of the operator as well as better.

x It increase production, higher safety less fatigue of the operator.

Hoisting Equipments:

It is usually powered equipment is used for lifting and lowering unit and varying load intermittently.

A variety of equipment fall under the heading of hoisting equipment starting from hoist different type of elevator and cranes

Expecting for elevator, these equipment generally utilize a drum, wire rope, pulley and load lifting attachment for performing lifting and lowering.

parts of hoisting equipment.

(1) Welded Load Chain

2) Roller Chain

Welded chain are manufactured by joining one gap of individual chain links by hammer hot forging or by resistance welding of two half links.

x heavy weight

x susceptibility of jerks

x heavy wear

x Low safe speed of movement

x sudden failure.

Manipulators and Changes.

Forging manipulators furnace charge, cake pusher in coke oven, roller table deflectors and manipulators.

Tables, lift, bridge and ramps.

(i) Positioning table are essentially table whose height can be adjusted to job at the level at which it can be manipulated easily.

(ii) Hydraulic lift are common positioning for lifting and lowering a heavy object. The operator can easily control this.

(iii) Bridge are specially designed platform to bridge gap or height difference bet the dock edge or surface to the corner floor. and allow use of hand trolley or powered truck to load and unload material bet dock and carriers.

* Ramp is a portable for placing at the door of a carrier or building to bridge the vertical distance to the ground by a sloping runway.

* Elevating platform can also act as a positioner for a tall job like welding, fitting etc.

Pulley system:

Combination of severable movable and fixed pulley or sheaves intended to achieve a gain in force or gain in speed called pulley system.

x Multiple pulley system.

Arresting gear and brakes:

In hoisting equipment use of arresting gear or brake is of paramount importance to prevent the raised load from getting lowered of its own weight, when the raising effort is withdrawn.

(a) Pawl and ratchet.

Brakes:

It is used for dual purpose of holding the suspended load at rest and for controlling the speed of lowering of load.

Some of these brakes are to be operated while some are automatic.

x Operated brake include

x Shear

x band

x Cone.

x disk brake etc.

Roller Chain

It is superior to welded chain in many ways.

- × The friction in the joints are also hence more efficient

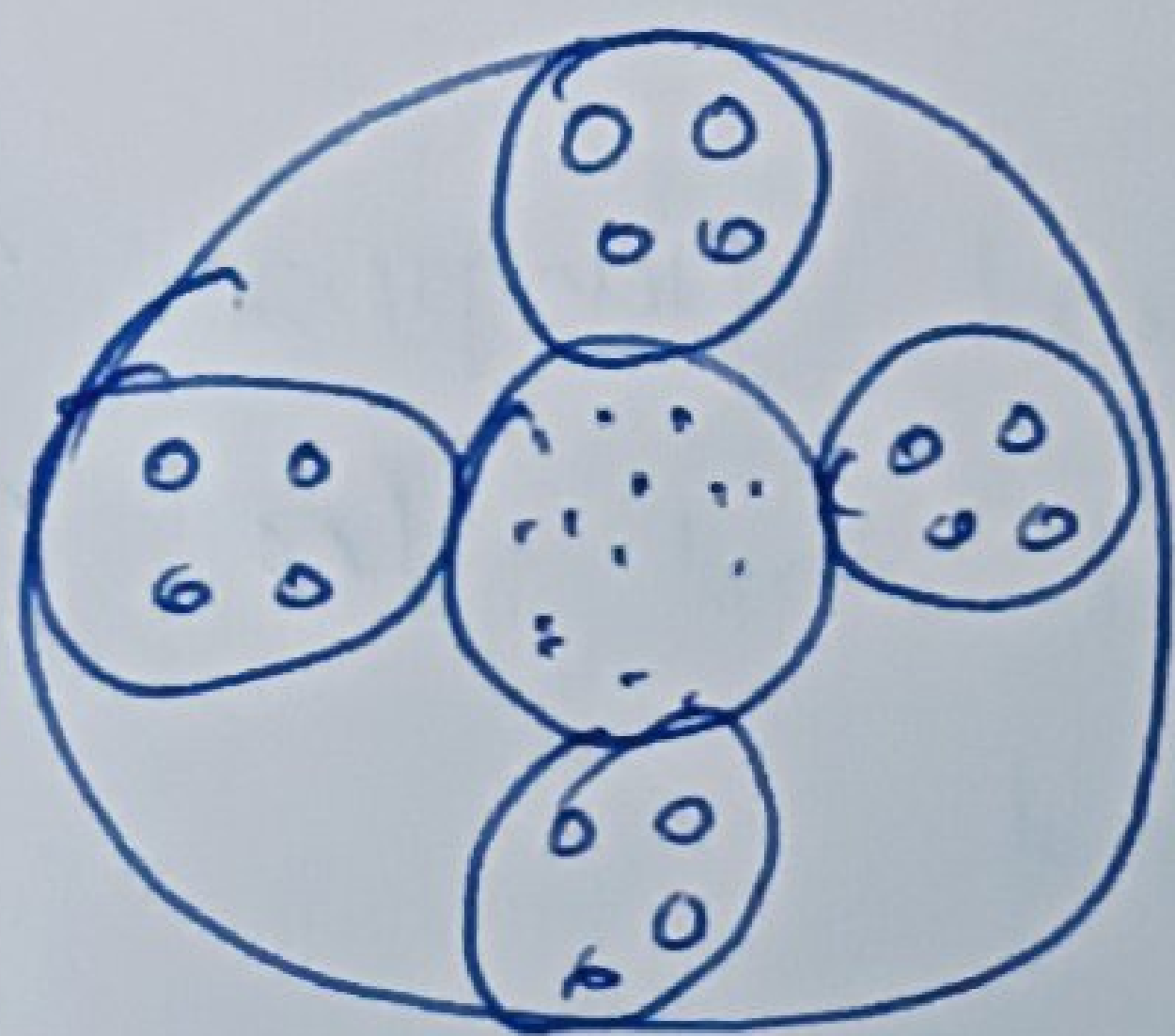
- × Roller chain have high flexibility in the plane of rotation and hence sprocket of smaller diameter may be used.

- × It is used for both hand operated and electrically driven equipment like hoist or winches for lifting heavy load at slow speed. and in guideways.

- × Sprocket for welded chain

- × sprocket for roller chain

- × Steel wire rope and drums.



Regular lay

$$D > e_1 e_2 d$$

D - drum / pulley

d - rope diameter

e_1 = factor depending on the type of twisting

e_2 = factor depending on rope construction.

Grabs: For quick suspension and release of typical types of loads.

- × Conformation to the shape and properties of the load.

- × quick grabbing

- × Adequate strength & reliability

- × Safety to men

- × Convenience of use

- × low weight.

Grabbing attachments

- a) Tubs

- b) Grab bucket

- c) Ladles

- d) Electromagnet.

Hoists

Hoist is an apparatus for raising or lowering a load suspended from a hook on the end of a chain.

A hoist can be fixed based mounted or supported from overhead by clevis or hooks.

It may be travelling type mounted on a track.

They are used for relatively lighter load (2 to 3 tonnes)

They are relatively slow having limited travel distance and fixed direction.

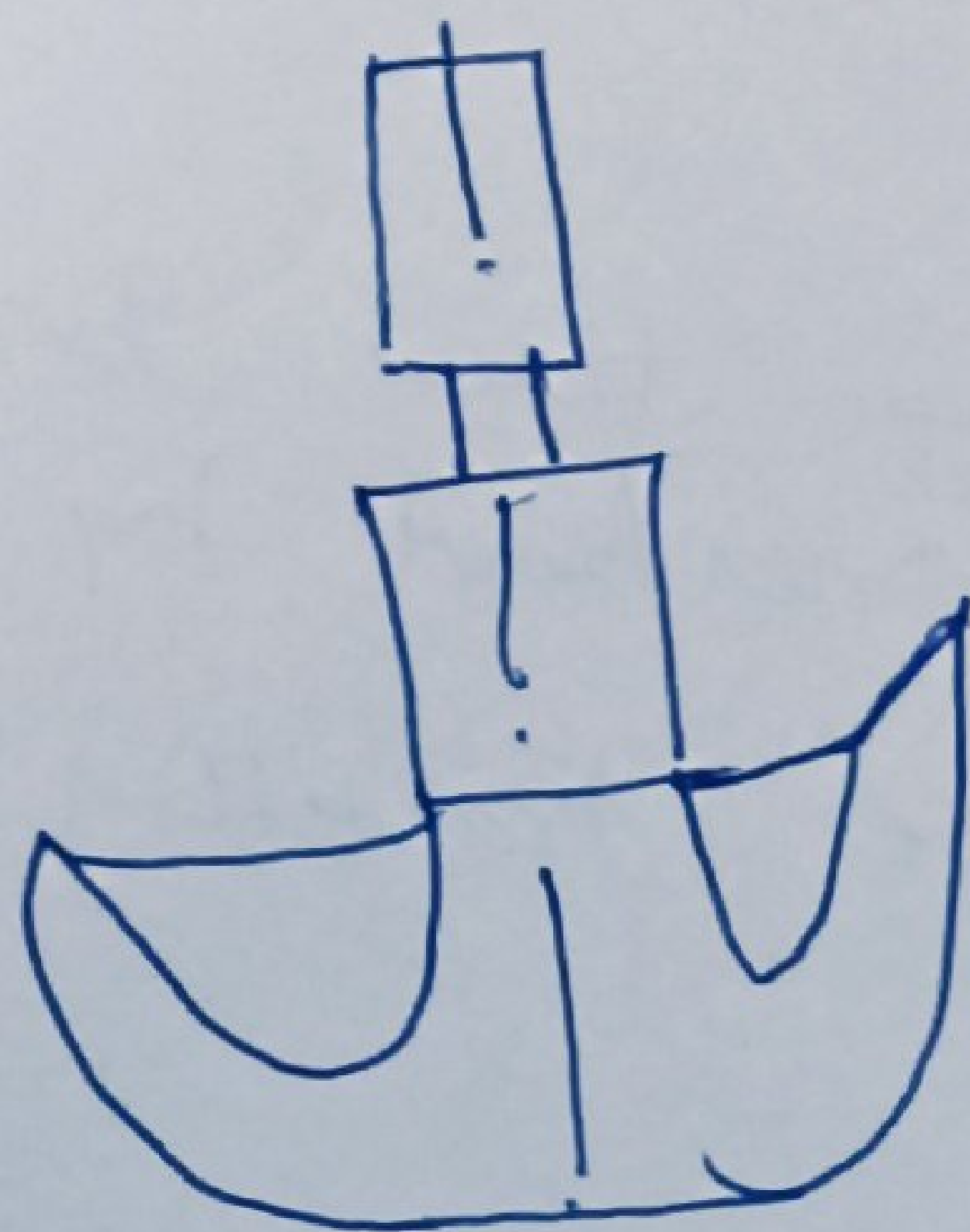
The common attachment used with various hoisting equipment .

- a) hooks
- b) grabs
- c) grab bucket
- d) ladles
- e) Electro magnets etc .

Hooks:

The method of lifting unit load by hoisting equipment is to sling the load by chain or rope and suspended it from the hook of the hoisting.

- x Standard hooks
- x Ram shorn hooks
- x Solid triangle eye hook
- x Hinged triangle hooks .
- x Suspension of hooks



The cylindrical shank portion is generally fitted to a Crompton provided with machined flanges at the ends .

Constructional features:

- a) Hand operated hoist
- b) Electric hoist.

Freight Elevator / lifts:

It consists of a box type cage or car which moves vertically up and down through the designed opening kept in the floor called shaft of the elevator.

x The car is suspended from and moved up and down by a hoisting mechanism located at the top of the shaft

i), drum wind type.

(ii) traction type.

Cars of a freight elevator may be designed to suit type of material.

i), Fork lift truck

2) tow truck

3) roller

4) overhead monorail conveyor

Robot :

Defined by Robotics Industry Association (RIA) as

- A re-programmable, multifunctional manipulator designed to move materials, parts, tools or specialized devices through variable programmed motion for a variety of tasks

- Robot is a reprogrammable, multifunctional, electro-mechanical device designed to do desired task through programming.

- Possess certain anthropomorphic characteristics

* Mechanical arm

* Sensors to respond to input

* Intelligence to make decisions

* Actuators to do task

- The branch of technology and art and science that deals with the design, construction, operation, and application of robots.

- Robotics is an interdisciplinary research area at the interface of Computer Science and Engineering.

- Robotics involves design, construction, operation, and use of robots.

The goal of robotics is to design intelligent machines that can help and assist human in their day-to-day lives and keep everyone safe.

Brief history:

- In 700s human sized mechanical dolls that played music.

- 1800 - A programmable machine for weaving threads.

- 1830 - christopher mchencher design a cam operated lathe
- Designed a motorized crane with gripper to remove ingots from a furnace.
- Robot derived from the word roboto from Czech language by Karel Capek in 1921.
- The Czech writers Karel Capek and Josef Capek introduces the robot through a drama.
- In 400 BC itself the robot were in discussion by Arkitics.
 - 1921 - word robot derived from a Czech play.
 - 1940s - Teleoperator developed at Oak ridge national labs.
 - 1954 - George Devol, programmed articuler transfer device.
 - 1956 - Joe Engelberg, Unimation (first robotics company)
 - 1961 - First robot installed on assembly line in Gm.
 - 1968 - Japan, Kawasaki makes robots.
 - 1969 - GE makes first walking robots.
 - 1974 - First hydraulic drive robot, Cincinnati milacron.
 - 1978 - First puma robot (programmable universal machine for assembly.

Main Components of industrial robot:

- * Arm or manipulator
- * End Effectors
- * Drive mechanism
- * Controller
- * Custom features : eg sensor and transducers.

Arm or manipulator:

- Robots arm can vary in size and shape.
- The robot arm is the part that permits that the robot can be freely.

→ It consists of robot arm, the shoulder, elbow and wrist move and twist to the exact position.

→ A simple robot with three degree of freedom can move in three ways

- * up & down
- * left & right
- * forward & backward.

End Effector:

- The End part connects to the robot's arm and functions as a finger of a hand.

- This part comes in indirect contact with the material the robot is manipulating.

- Some variations of an effector are a gripper, a vacuum pump, magnets, and welding torches.

- * Spongy point attachment
- * welding attachment
- * vacuum heads
- * hands
- * Grippers.

Drive Mechanism:

- The drive is the engine that moves the articulations into their designed positions.

- The joints are the sections between the parts of the robot.

- The following types of units are.

Hydraulic, electric or Pneumatics.

* Hydraulic drive system give a robot Great speed and strength

* Electric system provide a robot with less speed & strength.

x Pneumatic drive system are used for smaller robots that have fewer axes of movement.

Controller: (The brain)

The controller is the "brain" of the robot and allows the part of the robot to operate together.

The controller gives instructions written in code called a program.

x Issue instruction to the robot

x Controls peripheral devices.

x Interfaces with robot

x Interfaces with human.

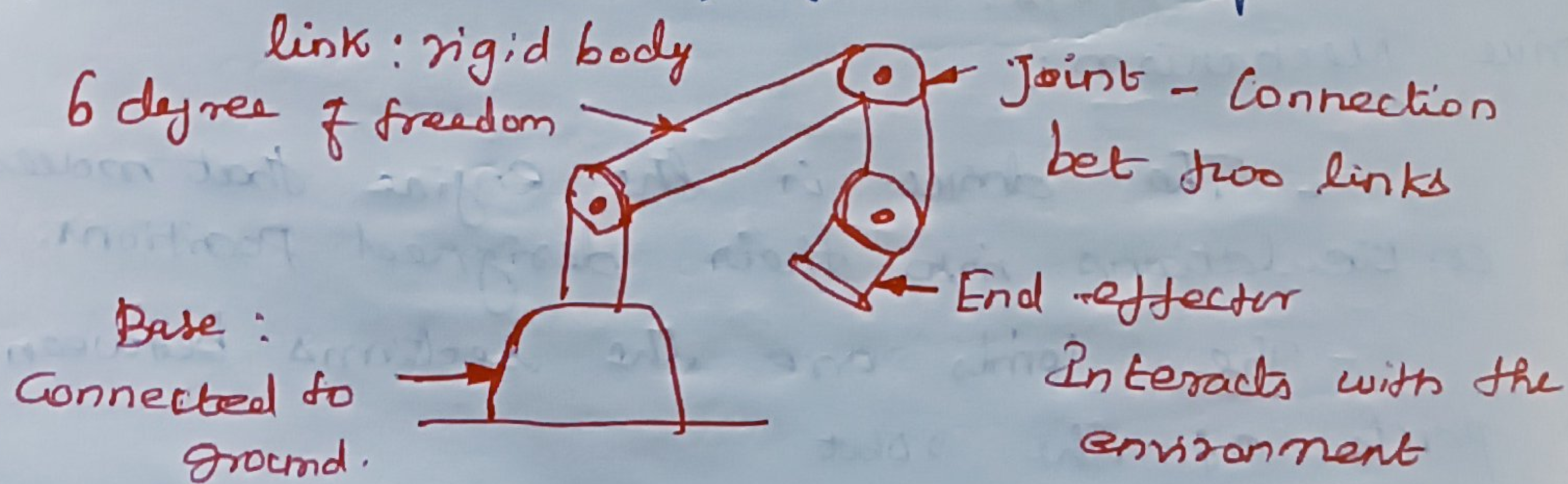
Pedestal:

Robot risers also known as robot pedestals, are heightened platforms that can be attached to the base of an industrial robot in order to elevate it -

Robot - Mechanical Structure:

The mechanical structure of manipulator that consist of rigid body connected by means of joints is segmented into arm that ensure mobility and reachability.

- A wrist that confers orientation and an end effectors that perform the required task.



Asimov's three laws of robots:

The three laws of robotics Asimov also proposed his three "laws of robotics", and he later added a "Zeroth law"

"Zeroth law": A robot may not injury humanity or through inaction, allow humanity to come to harm.

'First law': A robot may not injury a human being or through inaction, allow a human being to come to harm, unless this would violate a higher order law.

Second law: A robot must obey orders given it by human beings, except where such orders would conflict with a higher order law.

Third law: A robot must protect its own existence as long as such protection does not conflict with a higher order law.

Robot classification:

* Robot on Configuration — Cartesian, Cylindrical, Polar, articulated

x Based on degree of freedom — 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

x Based on work volume — Rectangle, Cube, Cylinder and Semi-sphere, sphere.

x Based on applications — Industry, personal assistance, entertainment, assembly, space, mobile, soft robots.

* Based on drive system: Electric, hydraulic, pneumatics, harmonic

* Based on payload: Based on kilogram (5kg, 10kg etc)

* Based on End Effector: Gripper, vacuum cup, Magnetic etc.

Robot classification:

The following is the classification of robots according to the Robotics Institute of America (RIA)

- **Variable-sequence robot**: A device that performs the successive stages of a task according to a predetermined method easy to modify. - Limited
- **Play back robot**: A human operator performs the tasks manually by leading the robot.
- **Numerical Control robot**: The operator supplies the movement program rather than teaching it the task manually.
- **Intelligent robot**: A robot with the means to understand its environment and the ability to successfully complete a task despite changes to the environment.

Robot types - Stationary:

* Puma 560 * ABB arm * MSU microbot.

Mobile robots: Sony's QRIO * MSU Micro crawler

* MSU mobile manipulator research platform (R2-D2)
* Stanford's Stanley (first winner of DARPA Grand Challenge)

Space robot: * Canada Arm on International Space Station * JPL's Pioneer space probe * ISRO's Chandrayaan - (1)

Robot Accessories:

A robot is a system, consists of the following elements, which are integrated to form a whole.

→ **Manipulator/Rever**: This is the main body of the robot and consists of link, joint and structural elements of the robot.

→ **End Effector**: This is the main part that generally handles object, make connection to other machines, or perform the required task.

It can vary in size and complexity from a end effector on the space shuttle to a small gripper.

Actuators:

Actuator: Converting hydraulic energy (or) electrical energy onto mechanical energy.

Actuator are the muscles of the manipulators. Common types of actuator are servomotors, stepper motor, pneumatic cylinder etc.

Sensor: Sensor are used to collect information about the internal state of the robot or to communicate with the outside environment.

Robots are often equipped with external sensory devices such as vision system, touch and tactile sensor etc with help to communicate with the environment.

Controller: The Controller receive data from the computer control the motion of actuator and coordinates those motion with the sensory feedback information.

Robot Specification:

* Joint Variable (Joint):

→ Relative displacement between adjacent links.

Can be revolute or prismatic.

* End effector: Gripper or tool used to perform the robot task.

* Degree of freedom:

Number of joint (DOF > 6 implies redundant robot)

* Configuration:

Determines the location of every point on the manipulator (not just the end effector)

* Workspace (work envelop)

Total volume spread out by the end effector as manipulator executes all possible motions.

* Accuracy, Repeatability and resolution: Repeatability is how accurately the same position can be reached if the motion is repeated many times.

- * Speed and acceleration (min and max)
- * payload capacity - payload is the weight of robot can carry.

Robot Specification:

- Link • Joint • No of axis • payload • Accuracy
- Precision • Repeatability • Resolution • Speed • Robot size
- vertical reach • Horizontal reach.

Link and joint Variable:

X Link are rigid components of the robot manipulator

X Relative displacement between adjacent links

X It can be revolute or prismatic

X Joint provide the robot of degree of freedom of motion

X In most cases, 1 DOF is associated with a joint

X Robot are often classified according to total number of DOF they possess.

Robot Specification:

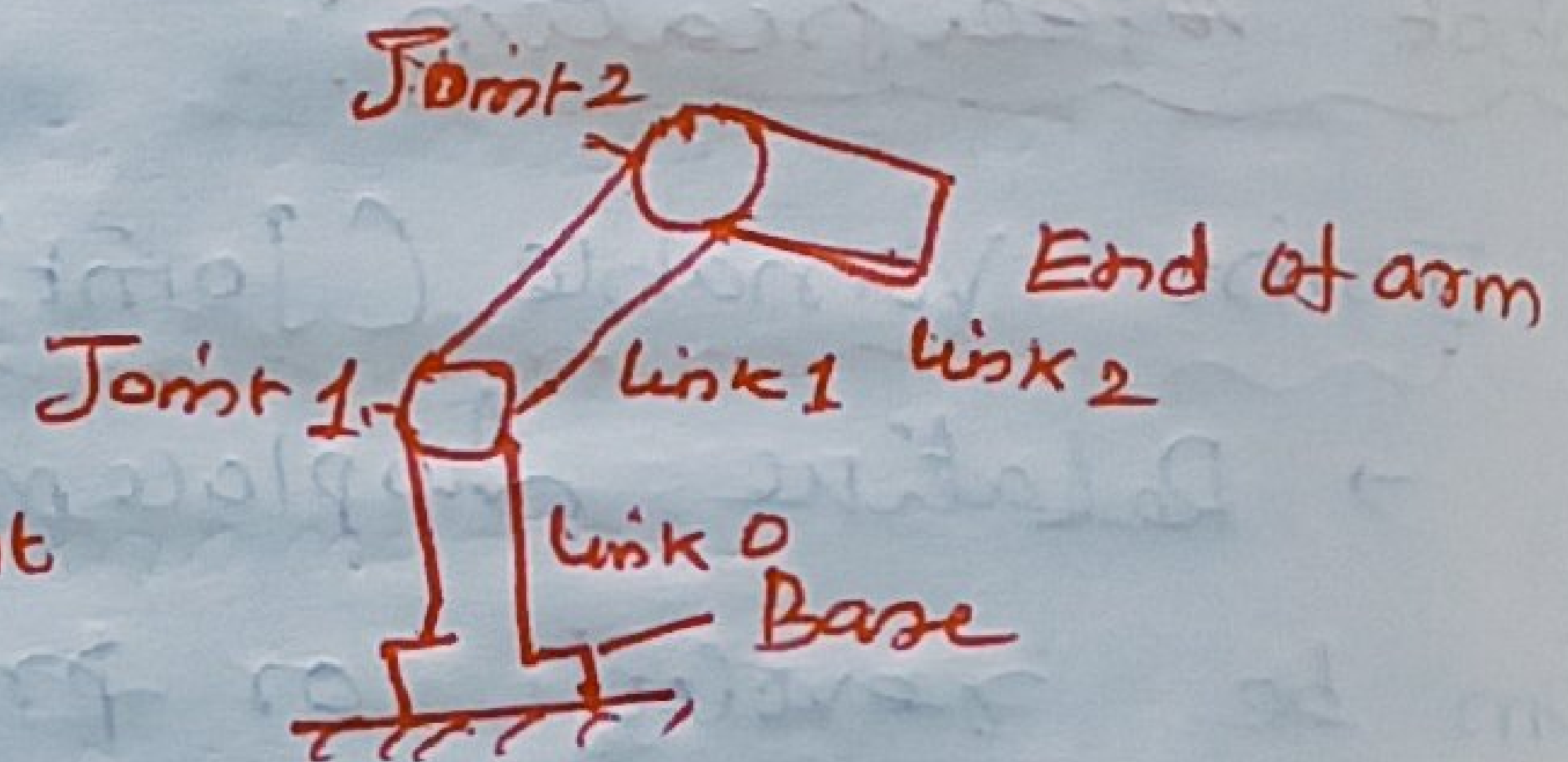
* Linear joint / Prismatic joint

* Orthogonal joint

* Rotational / Rotary joint

* Twisting joint

* Revolving joint



* Linear joint (L)

Input link



Joint motion



output link

→ Prismatic joints

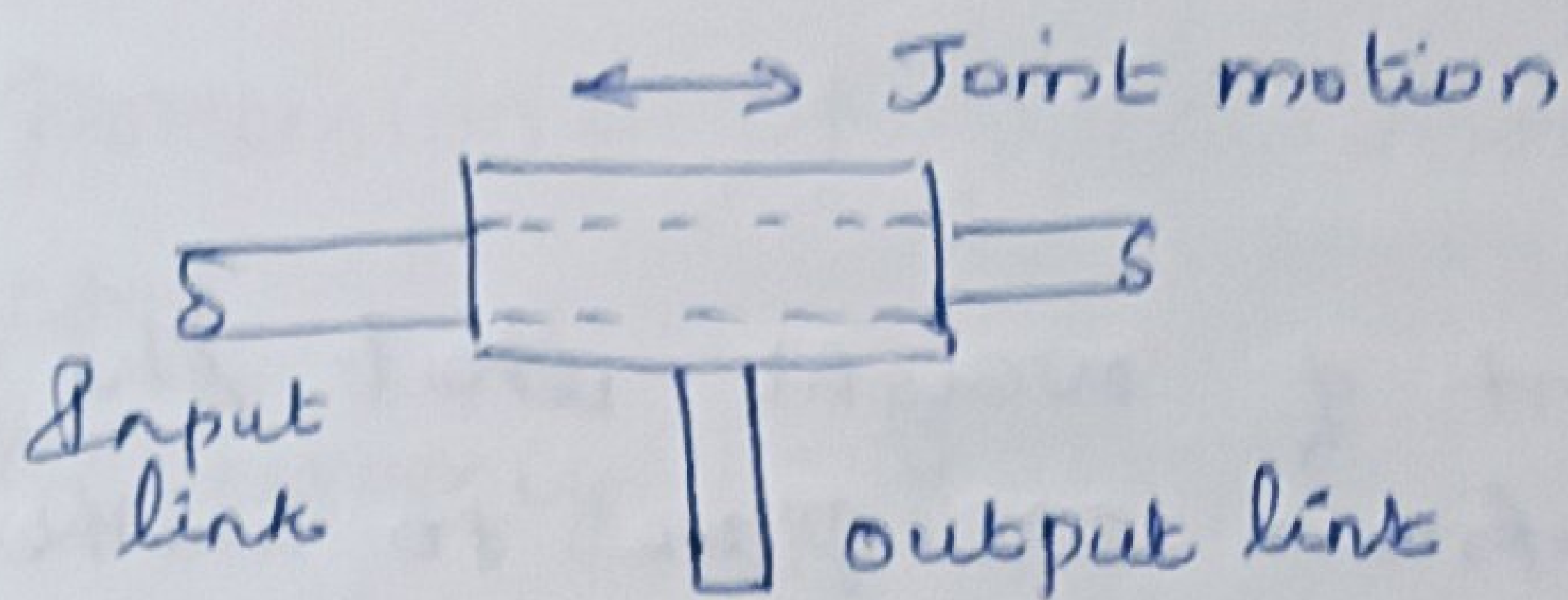
are also known as linear joints. They are called as prismatic, because the cross section of the joint is considered as a generalized prism.

→ They permit link to move in a linear relationship

→ Adjoining link are perpendicular, but one link slide at the end of other link

→ The joint motion is defined by sliding or translation movement of the link.

* Orthogonal joint (O Joint)



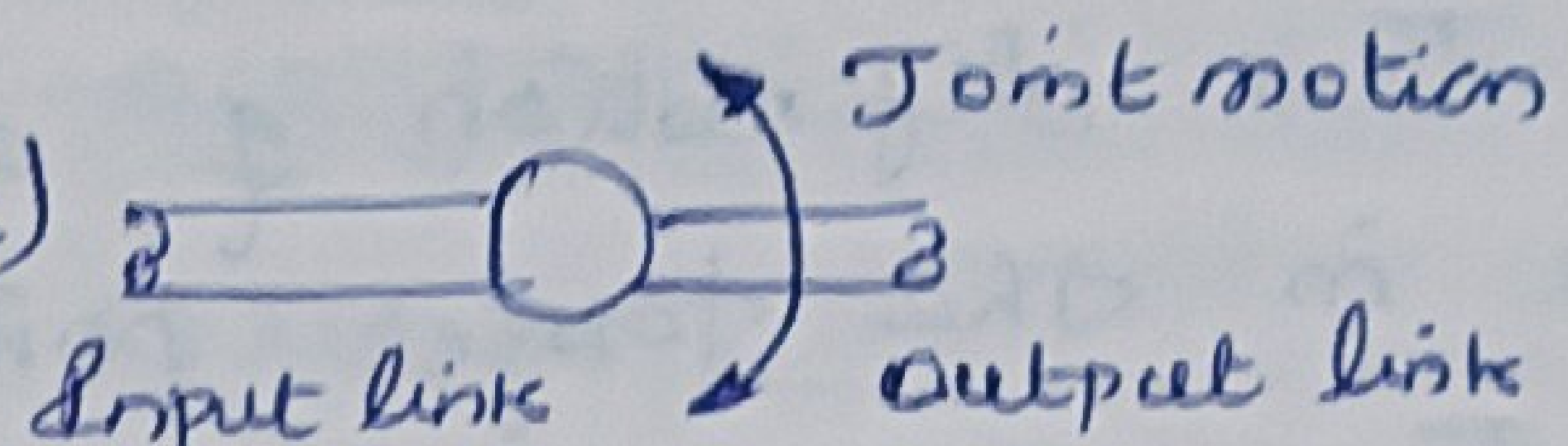
Orthogonal cross joint extend across intervals bet
by systematic joints.

→ They feature a relative movement taken by the input link and output link.

→ This kind of motion involved in the orthogonal joints is a translational sliding motion.

→ The output link is perpendicular to the input link.

* Rotational / Rotary joint: (R)

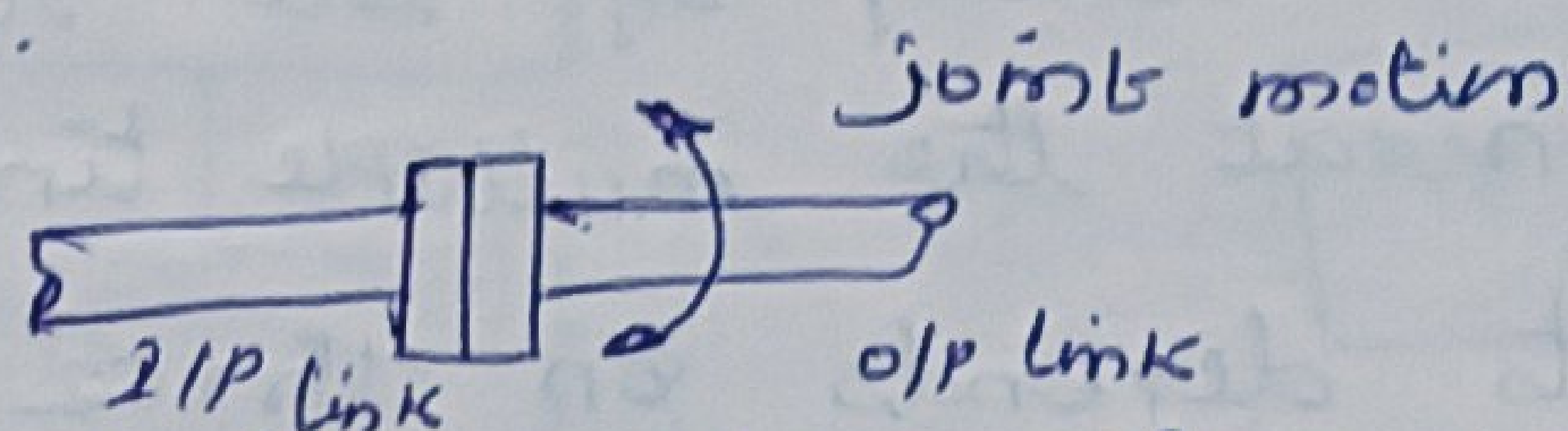


→ It is defined by its motion

Rotation about an axis perpendicular to the adjoining links

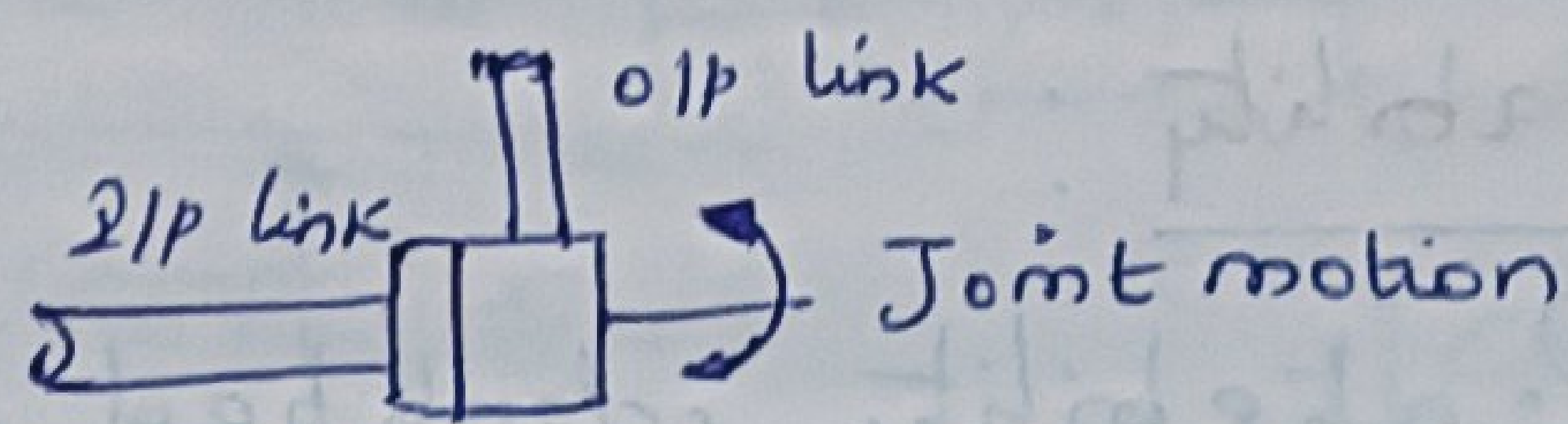
→ Here the length of adjoining link do no, but the relative position of the link with respect to another as the rotation take place.

* Twisting joint (T)



It is also a rotational joint, where the rotation take place about an axis that is parallel to both adjoining links

* Revolving joint (R)



→ It is another rotational joint, where the rotation take place about an axis that is parallel to one of the adjoining links

→ The links are aligned perpendicular to another at this kind of joint, the rotation involves revolution of one link about another.

Robot specification:

Number of axis

• minimum 3 required for industrial robot

→ No of axis 1 to 3 - Major axis

→ No of axis 4 to 6 - minor axis

→ No of axis 7 to n - to reach obstacles.

Robot Specification

Pay load:

- maximum amount of weight that the robot can be able to move from one place to another
- Pay load is mentioned in kilogram (kg)

Accuracy:

- The ability of the robot to position its wrist end at desired target point within its reach.
- How closely the robot arm is able to move to a specific coordinate in the workcell
- This definition of accuracy applies in the wrist case in the target point is between two control points
- For example when the arm is fully stretched, the mechanical inaccuracies tend to be larger.

Precision

- It is ability of the robot to attain its target position at the multiple time.
- It depends on three parameters.

* Accuracy * Spatial resolution * Repeatability.

Repeatability:

Repeatability identified the percentage of time that the robot is expected to operate without being taken out of service for maintenance or repair.

* It denoted by mm

Robot size

* The capacity of the robot can be denoted in kilogram (kg) is known as robot size.

Reach: The max distance that can be covered by

* It denote by mm

* ~~reach~~ can be reach can be categorized

* vertical reach * Horizontal reach.

Precision of robot movement:

Precision of robot movement is depend on three factor

- x Accuracy
- x Spatial resolution (Ability of the robot to break down its movements into increments)

$$\# \text{ increments} = 2^n$$

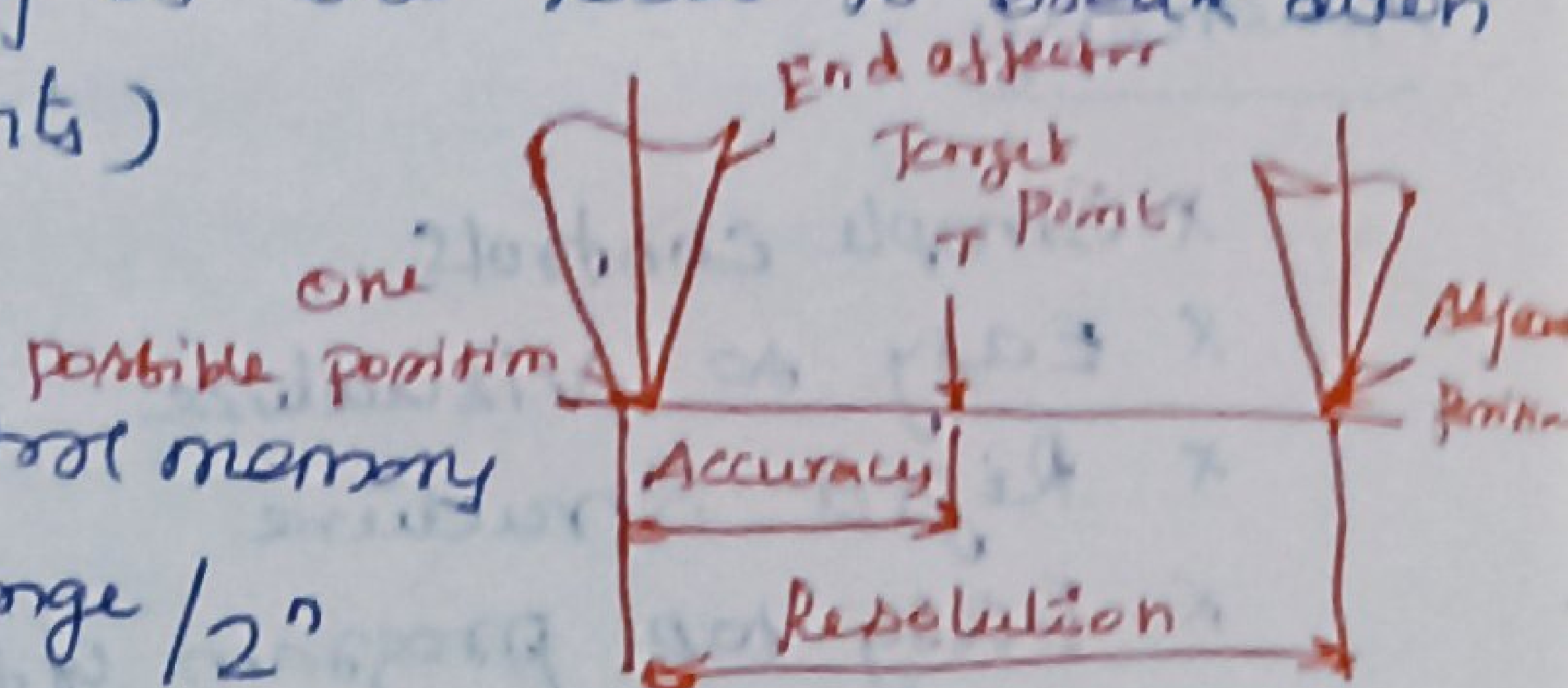
N = Number of bits in Control memory

- Spatial resolution = $\text{Range} / 2^n$

Ex: A robot Controller has 12 bit storage capacity, the full range of the robot = 1.0 for one joint

$$= 1.0 \text{ m} / 4096 = 0.244 \text{ m}$$

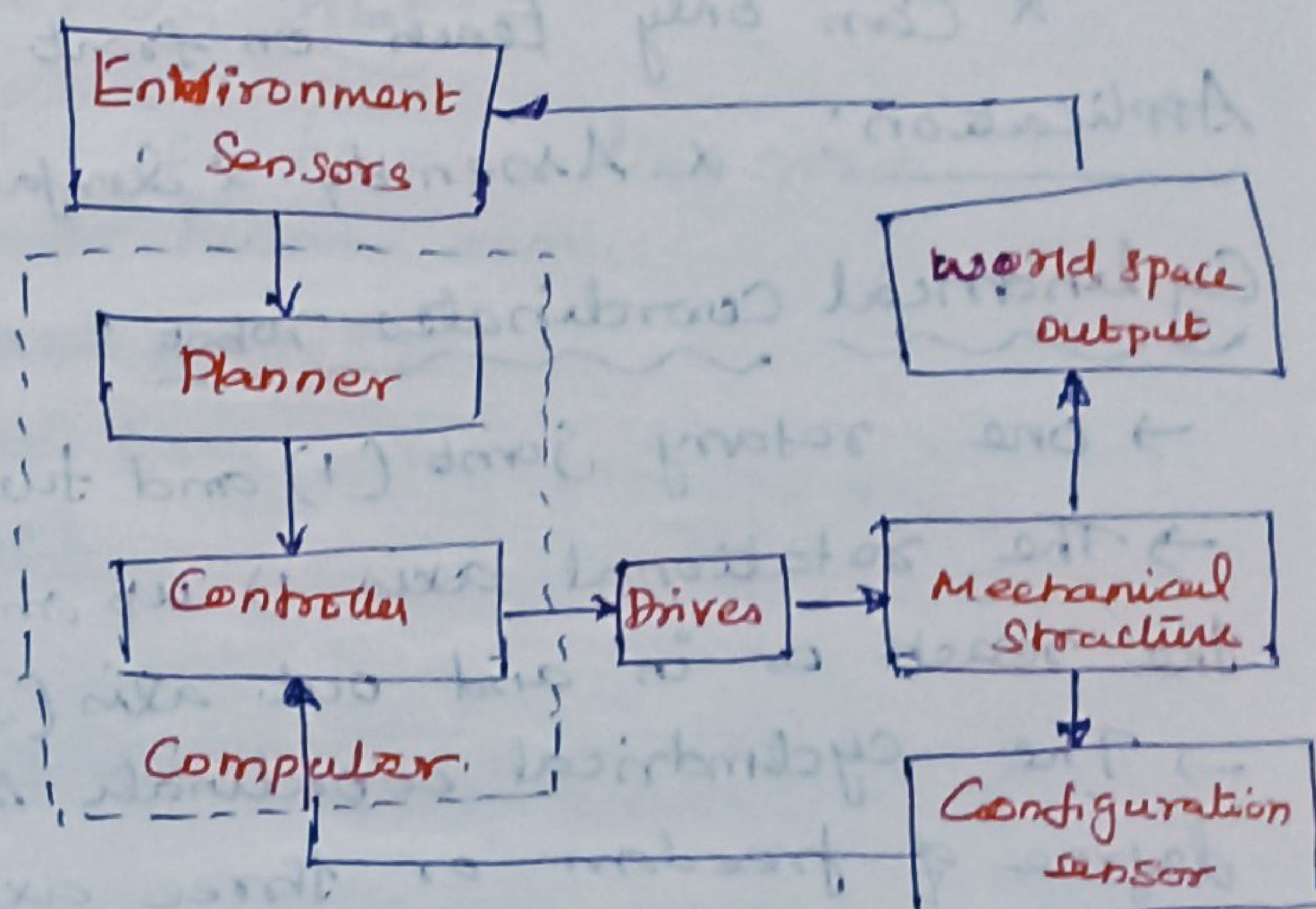
- Repeability



Robotic System Architecture:

Components:

- Mechanical Structure
- Drives
- Computing and Control
- Sensors
- Communication



Robot Classification based on Configuration:

- x Cartesian
- x cylindrical
- x Polar / Spherical robot
- x Articulated / jointed arm
- x SCARA

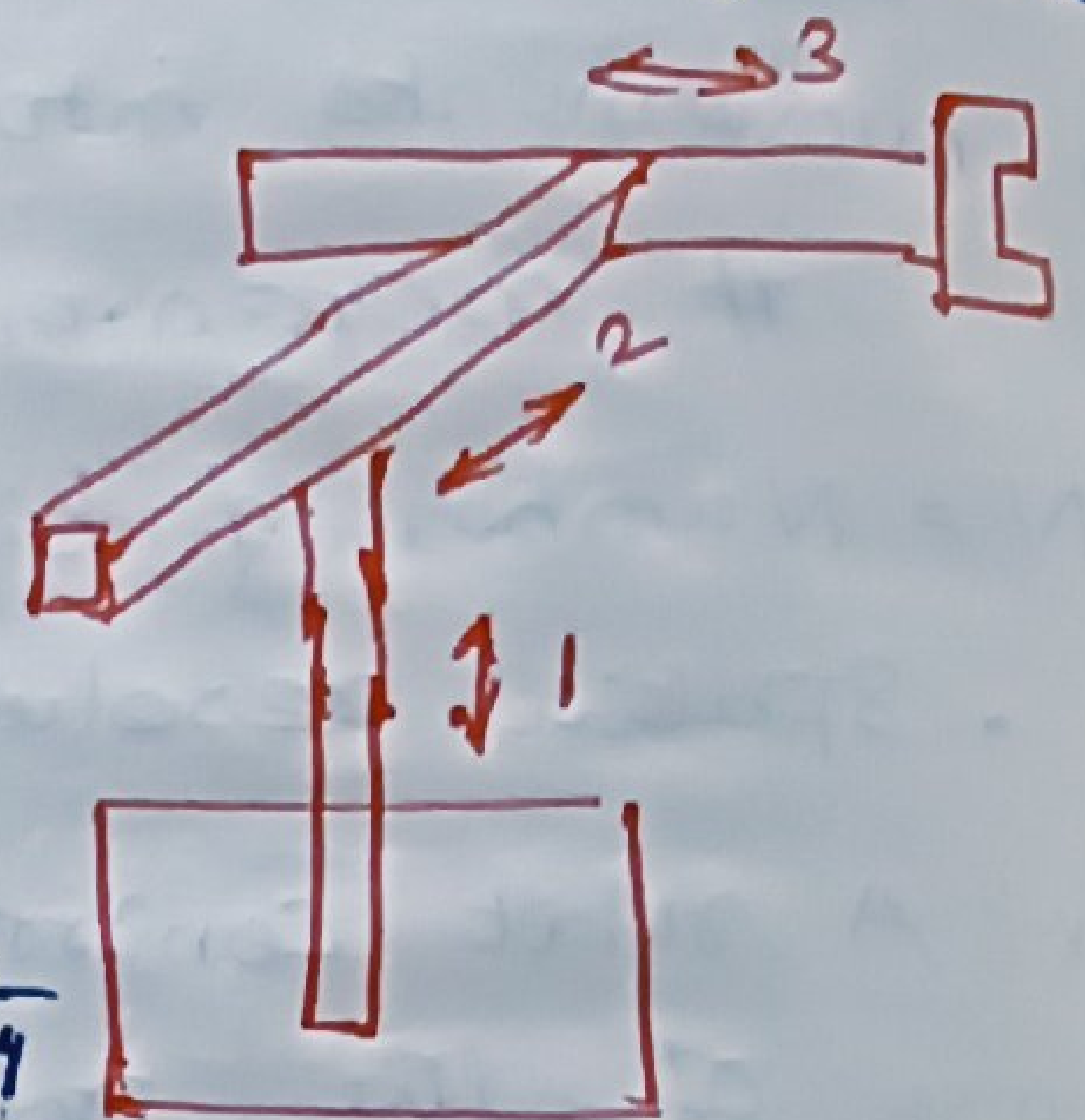
Cartesian robot / rectangular:

→ It is consist of three slide joints two of which are orthogonal.

- The three slides are parallel to the 1, 2 and 3.
- of the Cartesian Coordinate System.
- All arm joints are linear (1, 2, 3)
- Movement along all three can occur simultaneously
- These are also called rectilinear or Gantry robots.

Advantage:

- x Simple controls
- x Easy to Visualize
- x Rigid Structure
- x Easy to program off-line
- x High degree of mechanical rigidity
- x Good accuracy and repeatability



Dis-advantage:

- x Limited in movement
- x Required large floor space for the large structure
- x Can only reach on front of itself

Application:

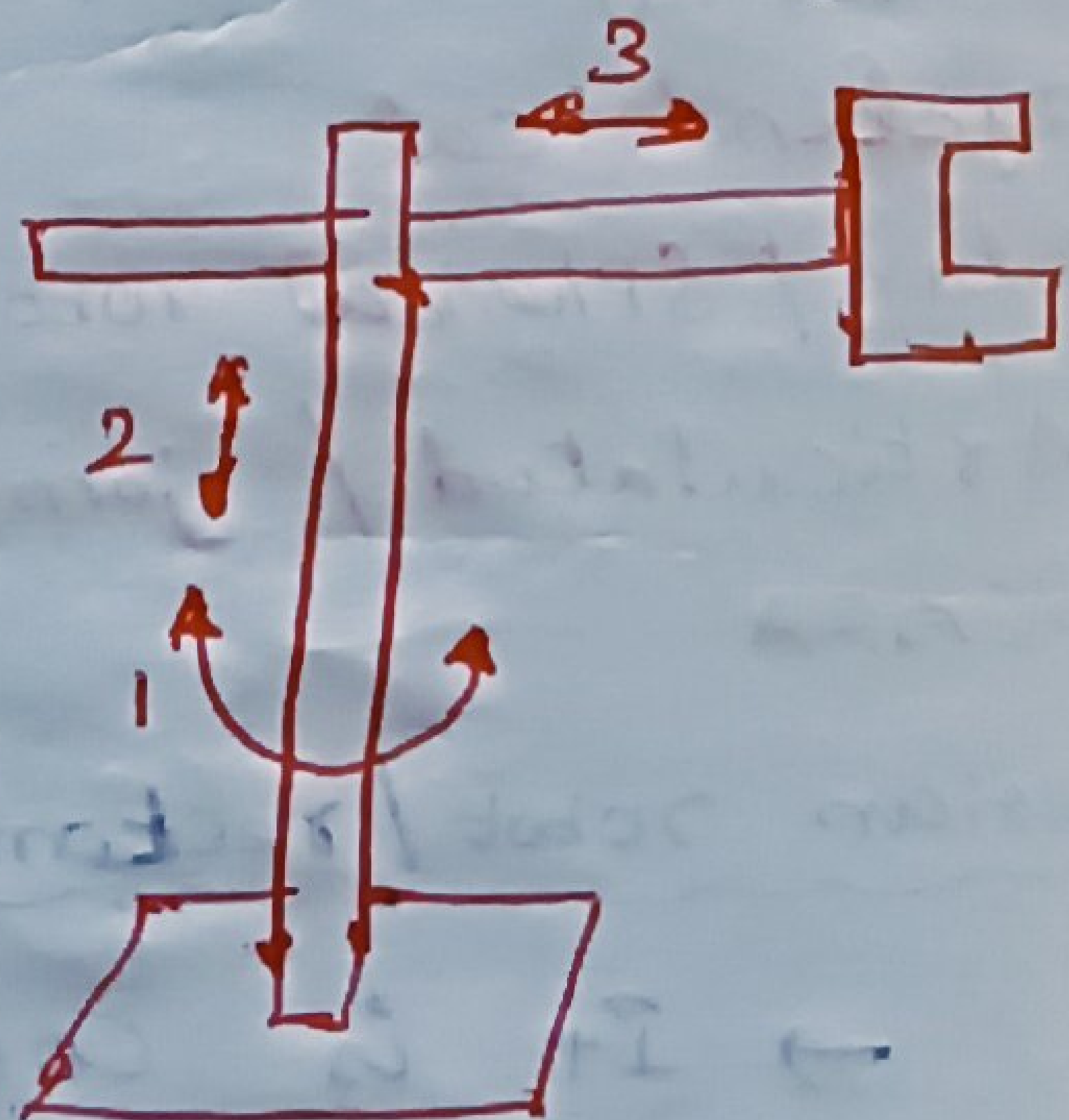
- x Assembly
- x Surface finish
- x Inspection

Cylindrical Coordinates robot:

- One rotary joint (1) and two linear joint (2 & 3)
- The rotational axis 1) up and down axis (2) and the reach or in and out axis (3)
- The cylindrical coordinate system incorporates the degree of freedom or three axis
- work envelop is cylindrical
- It is mostly in pick and place arm as parts feeding and assembly.

Advantage:

- x Rigid Structure
- x Easy to program off-line
- x Good repeatability and accuracy
- x Suitable for pick & place ops



Dis-advantage:

- x Lower mechanical rigidity & repeatability & accuracy lower in direction of rotary movement
- 3. More sophisticated system
- 4. Horizontal motion is circular only.

Polar / Spherical robot :

- It is three axes one linear joint (3) and two rotary joint (1, 2)
- The rotational axis (1), the bent axis (2) and the reach axis (3)
- It is called spherical robots.

Advantage :

× Simple design

× High payload

× Easy to program.

× Light in weight

× Good precision

Dis-advantage

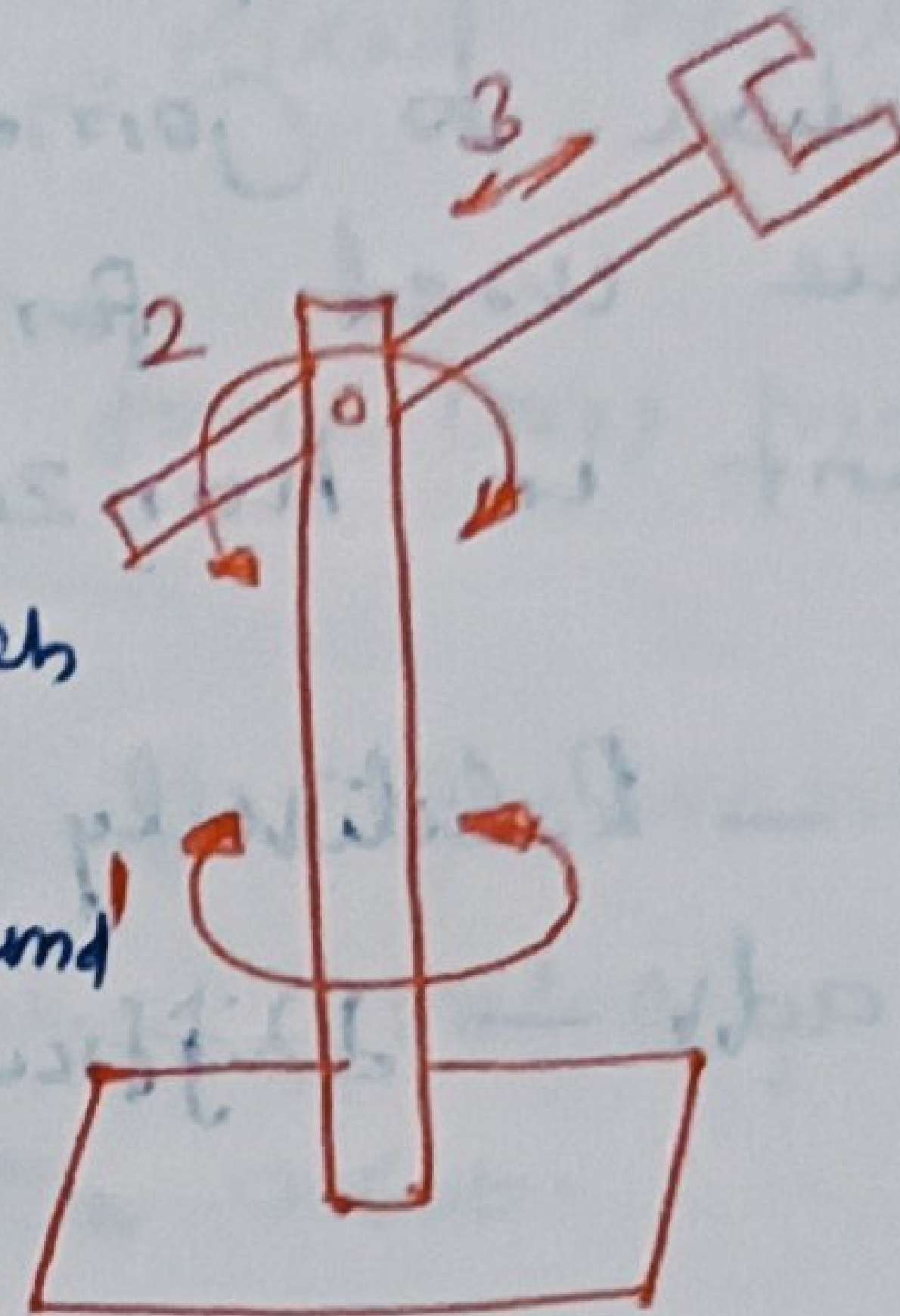
× Short vertical reach

× Less stability

× Can't reach around obstacles

× Repeatability ×

Accuracy are lower due to rotary joints



Applications :

- × Pallet loading
- × Die casting
- × Part cleaning
- × Heat treatment
- × Forging.

Jointed-arm or articulated robot :

× Most anthropomorphic or human like robot.

→ Design is similar to human arm.

→ Three rotational axis (1, 2, 3)

→ Rotation about axis base waist (vertical axis)

→ Shoulder (horizontal)

→ Elbow (horizontal)

→ work envelop is : Circular when viewed from top.

Advantage :

— Can reach around obstacles.

→ Larger work area for less floor space

Dis-advantage :

→ Less accuracy due to rotary joints

→ sophisticated Controller because programming is complex

→ Less stable specially at maximum reach.

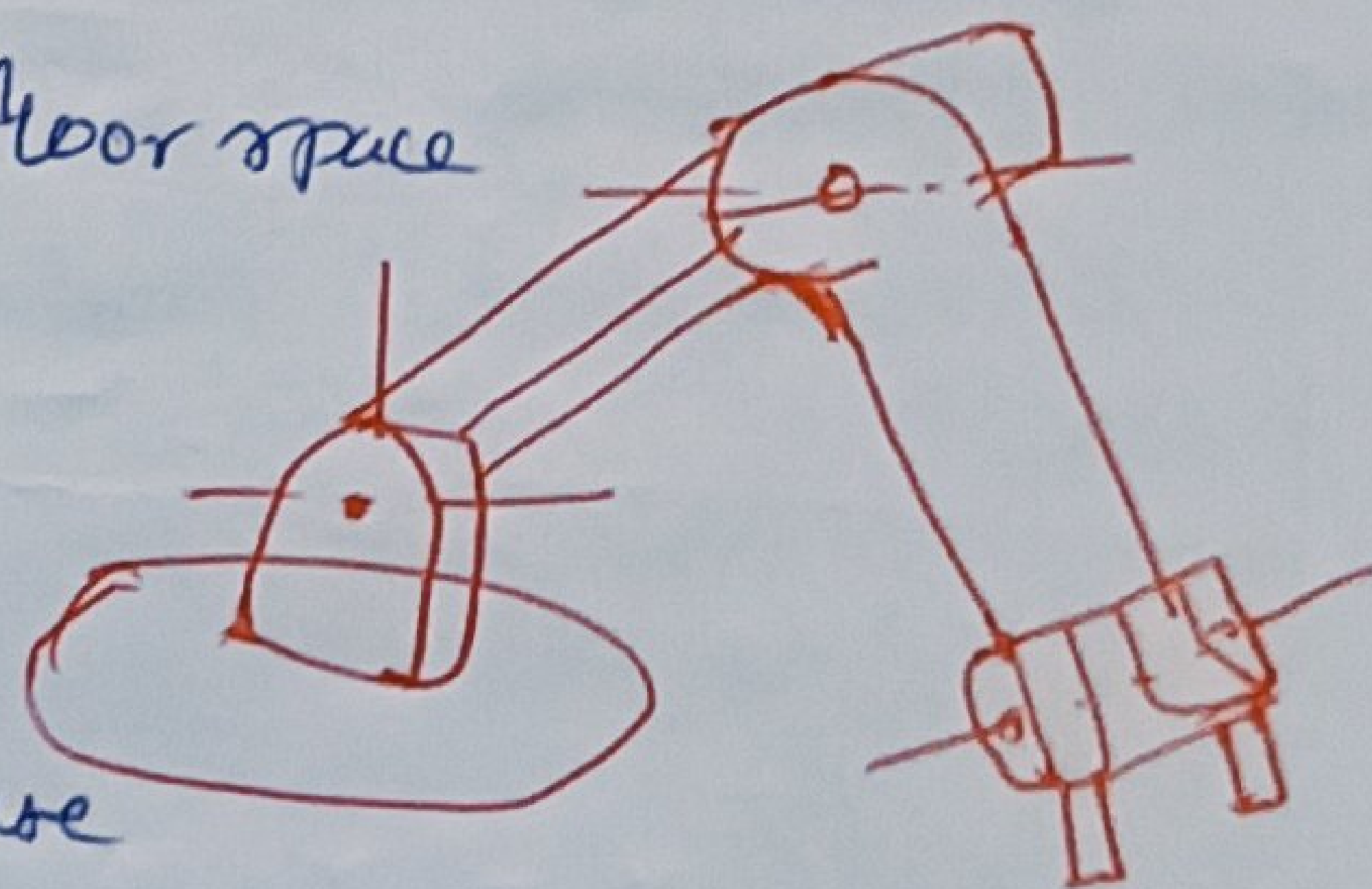
Application

× Pick and place

× Assembly robot

× welding robot

× Spinning spinning robot etc.



SCARA Configuration:

- SCARA stands for Selectively Compliant Assembly Robot arm
- Rotational axis (1, 2) and linear (3)
- Work envelop similar to the cylindrical one
- Similar to jointed arm robot except that vertical axes are used for shoulder and elbow joint to be Compliant in horizontal direction for vertical insertion turn
- Adv - Relatively inexpensive, Good repeatability
- Dis-adv - Difficult to program off-line.

