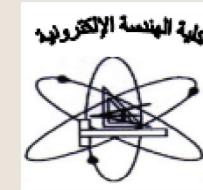




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# **Kinematics Fundamentals II**

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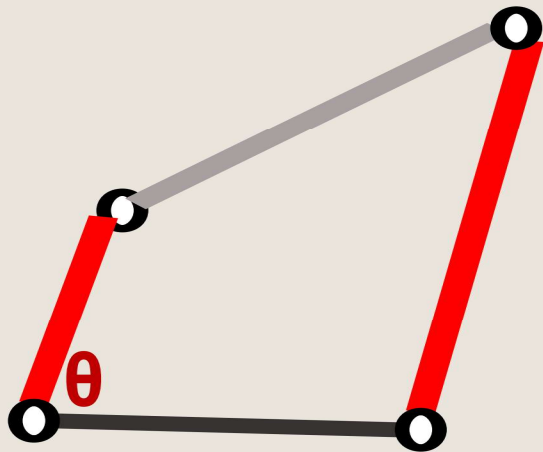


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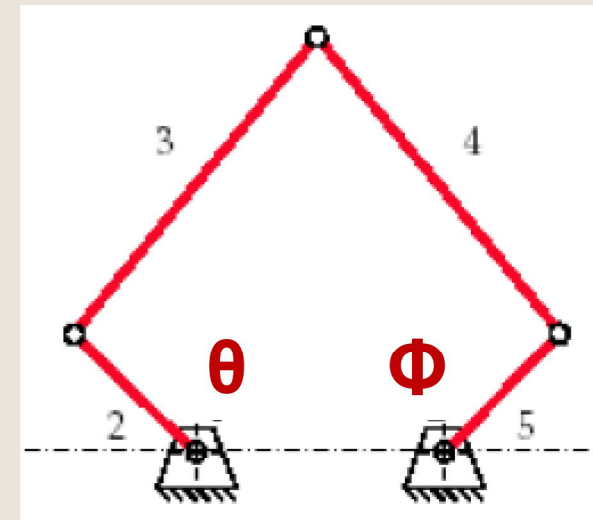
- ☐ **Mobility**
- ☐ **Number Synthesis**
- ☐ **Isomers**
- ☐ **Inversions**
- ☐ **Grashof Condition**

# **Mobility**

**Mobility** (the number of degrees of freedom) of a mechanism: is the minimum number of **independent** coordinates needed to specify **uniquely** the position of the mechanism.



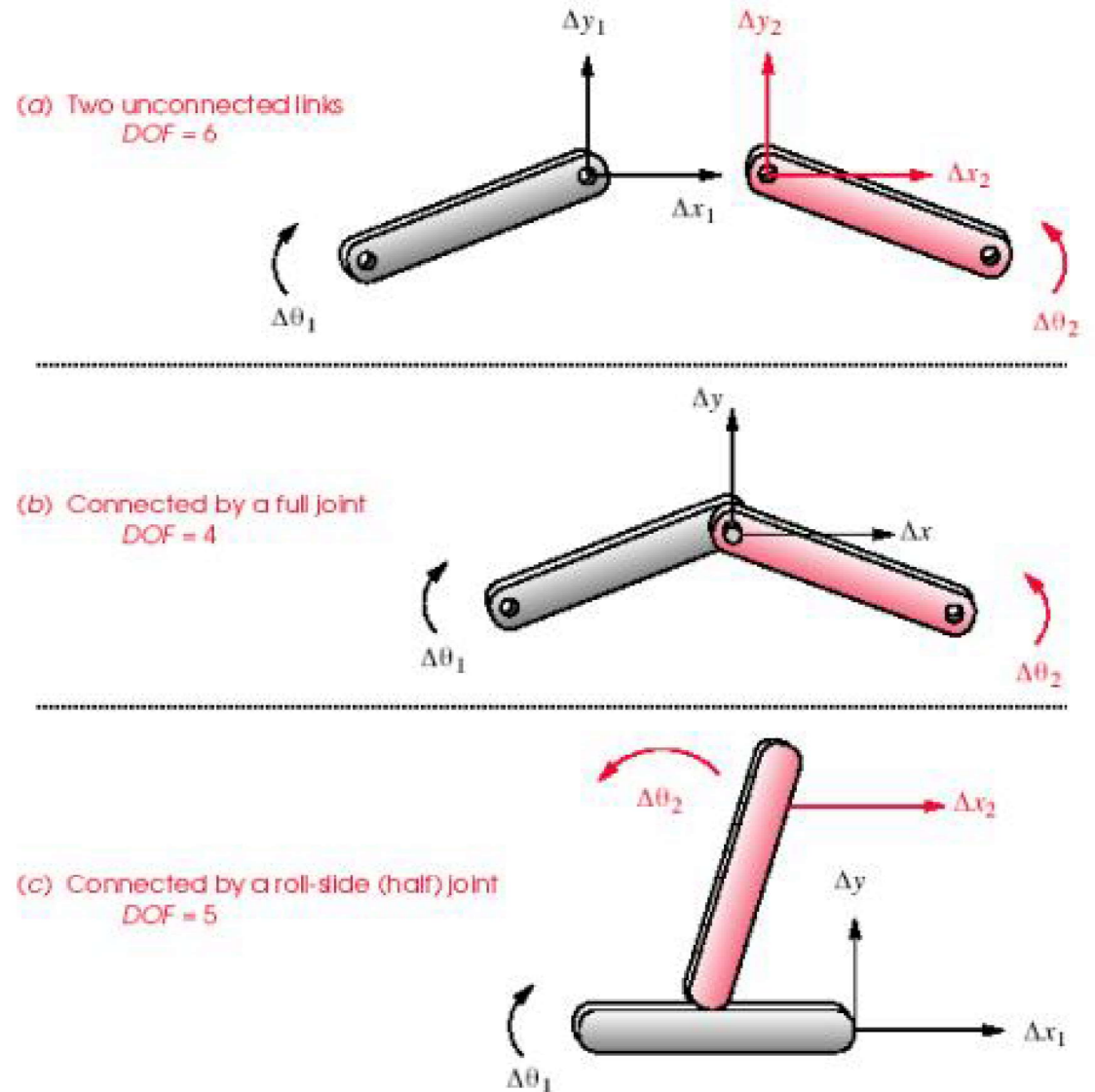
One needs one variable  $\theta$  to specify the mechanism position (or to draw it). The mechanism mobility equals 1.



One needs two variable  $\theta$ ,  $\phi$  to specify the mechanism position (or to draw it). The mechanism mobility equals 2.

# **Mobility**

## **Joints Reduce System DOF**





# **Determining Mobility**

## **Grubler & Kutzbach Equations**

$$M = 3L - 2J - 3G$$

where:

**M** = degree of freedom or mobility

**L** = number of links

**J** = number of joints

**G** = number of grounded links

❑ **Note that** in any real mechanism, even if more than one link of the kinematic chain is grounded, the net effect will be to create one larger ground link. Thus **G is always one**, and Gruebler's equation becomes:

$$M = 3(L - 1) - 2J$$

# **Determining Mobility**

## **Grubler & Kutzbach Equations**

- ❑ The value of ***J*** in previous equations must reflect the value of all joints in the mechanism. That is, **half joints** count as **1/2** because they only **remove one DOF**.
- ❑ It is **less confusing** if we use **kutzbach's** modification of Gruebler's equation in this form:

$$M = 3(L - 1) - 2J_1 - J_2$$

where:

***M*** = degree of freedom or mobility

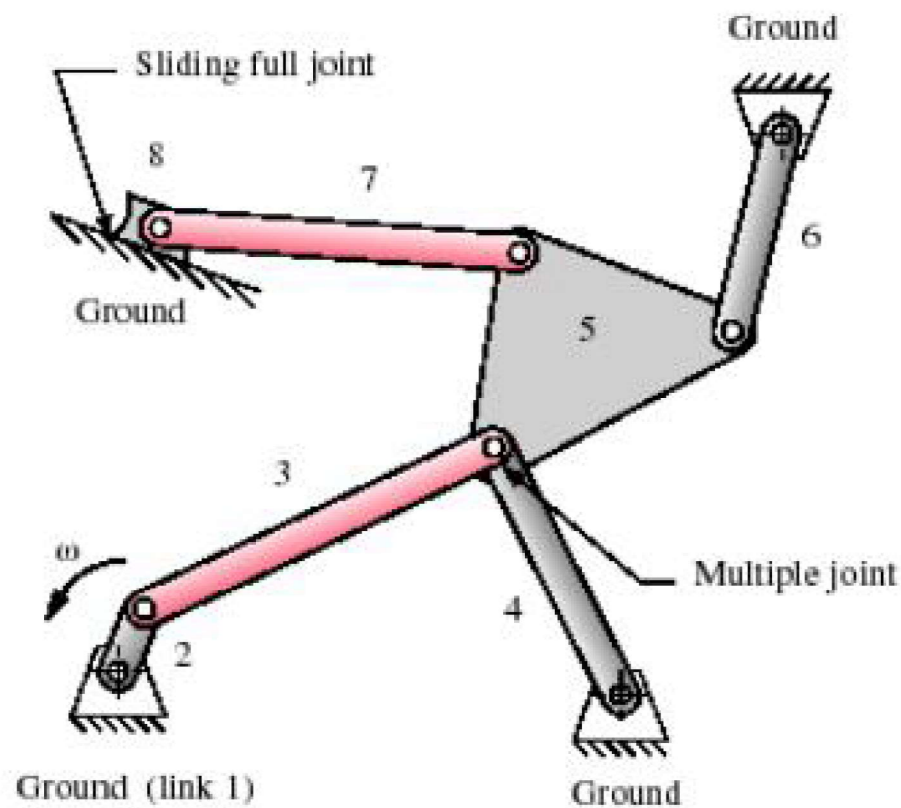
***J*<sub>1</sub>** = number of 1DOF (full) joints

***L*** = number of links

***J*<sub>2</sub>** = number of 2 DOF (half) joints

## Applying Mobility Equations

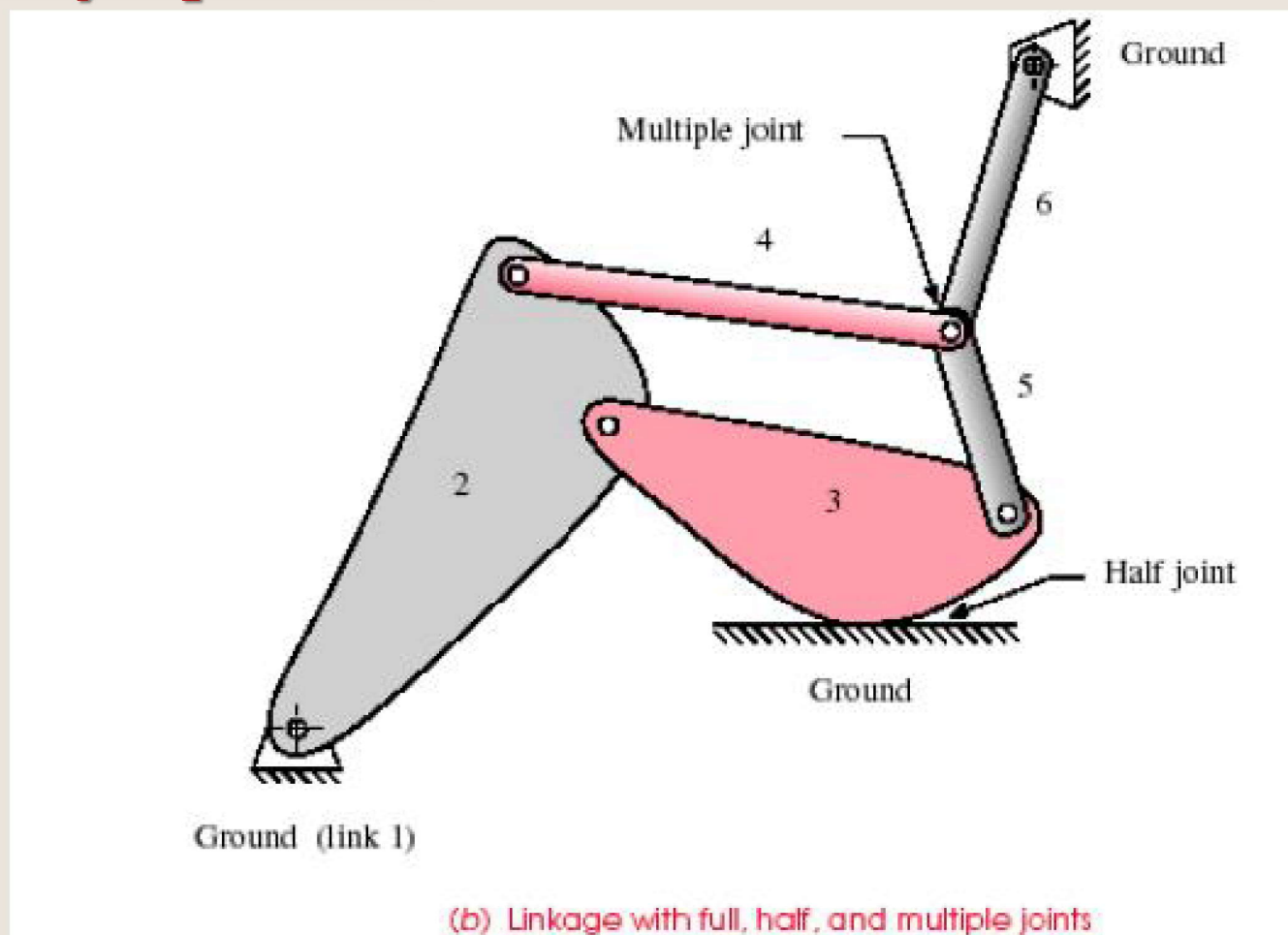
*Note:*  
There are no  
roll-slide  
(half) joints  
in this  
linkage



(a) Linkage with full and multiple joints

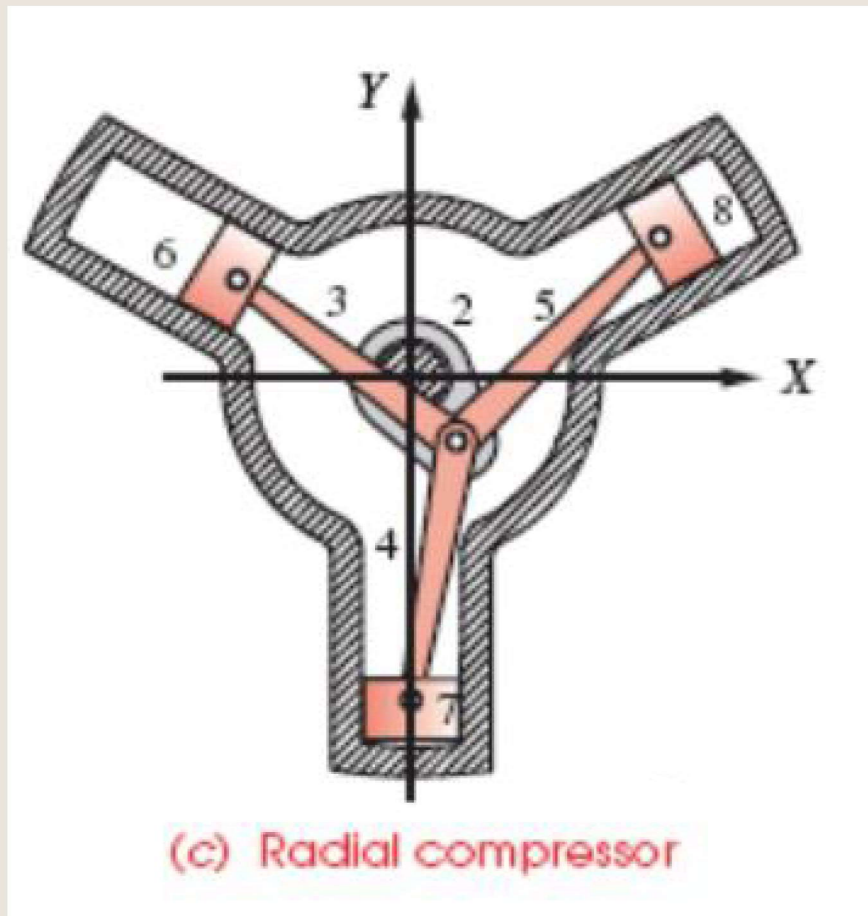
$$M = 3(L - 1) - 2J_1 - J_2 = 3(8 - 1) - 2 \times 10 - 0 = 1$$

## Applying Mobility Equations



$$M = 3(L - 1) - 2J_1 - J_2 = 3(6 - 1) - 2 \times 7 - 1 = 0$$

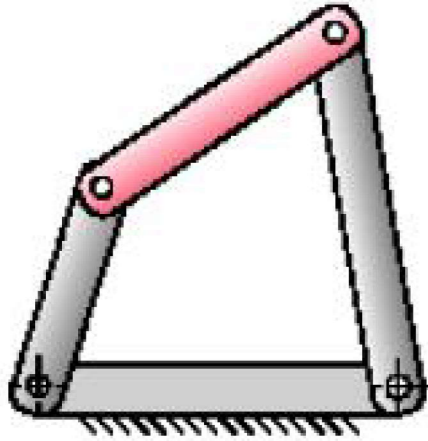
## Applying Mobility Equations



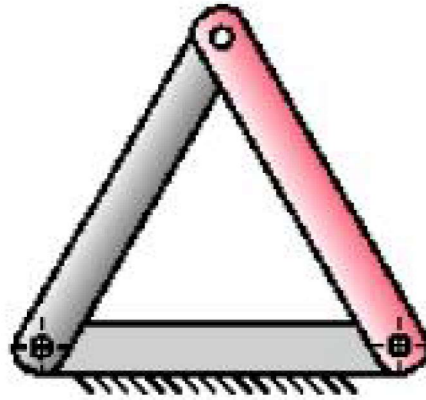
$$\mathbf{M} = 3 (\mathbf{L} - 1) - 2 \mathbf{J}_1 - \mathbf{J}_2 = 3(8-1) - 2 \times 10 - 0 = 1$$



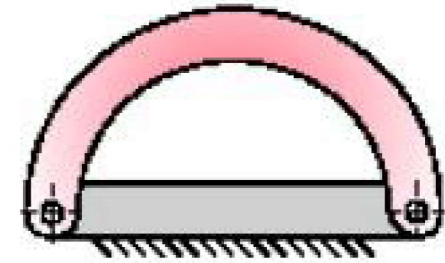
# Mechanisms and Structures



(a) Mechanism—DOF = +1



(b) Structure—DOF = 0



(c) Preloaded structure—DOF = -1

□ The degree of freedom of an assembly of links completely predicts its character. There are only three possibilities.

a)  $M > 0 \rightarrow$  **mechanism**, links will have relative motion.

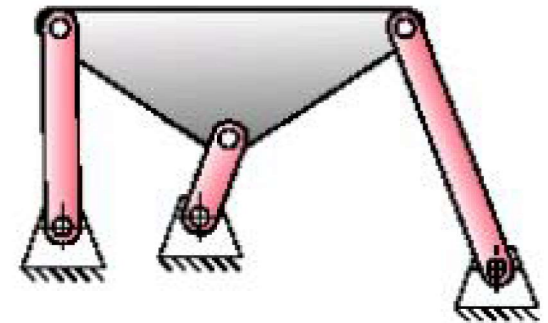
b)  $M = 0, \rightarrow$  **structure**, no relative motion between links is possible.

c)  $M < 0, \rightarrow$  **preloaded structure**, no relative motion between links is possible and **some stresses** may be present.

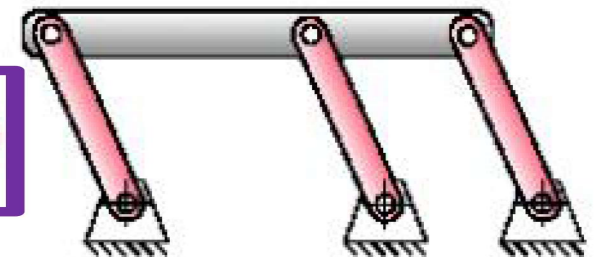
# Gruebler Paradoxes

- Because the Gruebler criterion pays no attention to link sizes or shapes, it can give misleading results in the face of unique geometric configurations.

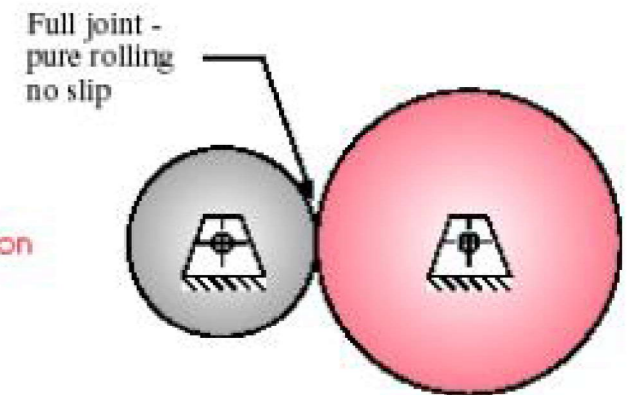
(a) The E-quintet with  $DOF = 0$   
—agrees with Gruebler equation



(b) The E-quintet with  $DOF = 1$   
—disagrees with Gruebler equation  
due to unique geometry



(c) Rolling cylinders with  $DOF = 1$   
—disagrees with Gruebler equation  
which predicts  $DOF = 0$



## **Number Synthesis**

- ❑ Number Synthesis means the determination of the number and order of links and joints necessary to produce motion of a particular DOF.

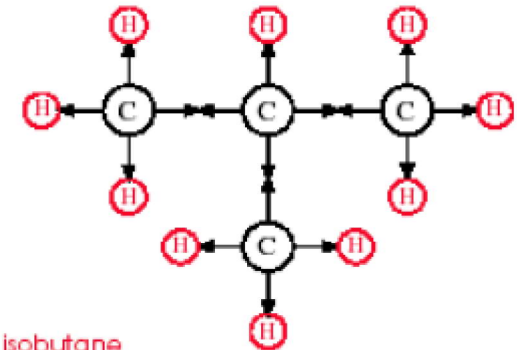
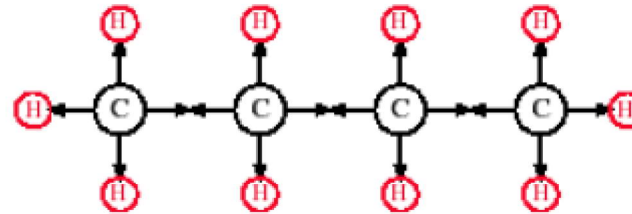
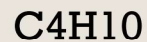
TABLE 2-2 1-DOF Planar Mechanisms with Revolute Joints and Up to 8 Links					
Total Links	Link Sets				
	Binary	Ternary	Quaternary	Pentagonal	Hexagonal
4	4	0	0	0	0
6	4	2	0	0	0
6	5	0	1	0	0
8	7	0	0	0	1
8	4	4	0	0	0
8	5	2	1	0	0
8	6	0	2	0	0
8	6	1	0	1	0

- ❖ Some combinations will make valid “Isomers,” and some will not.

# Isomers

Isomers in chemistry are compounds that have the same number and type of atoms but which are interconnected differently and thus have different physical properties.

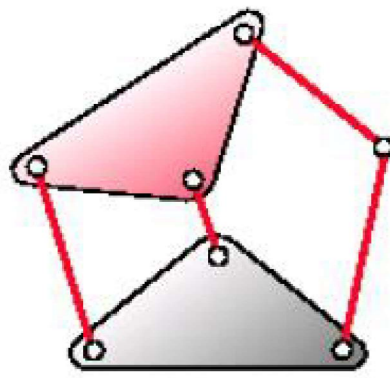
Linkage isomers are analogous to these chemical compounds.



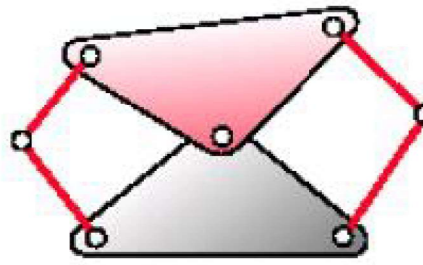
(a) Hydrocarbon isomers n-butane and isobutane



The only fourbar isomer



Stephenson's sixbar isomer



Watt's sixbar isomer

(b) All valid isomers of the fourbar and sixbar linkages

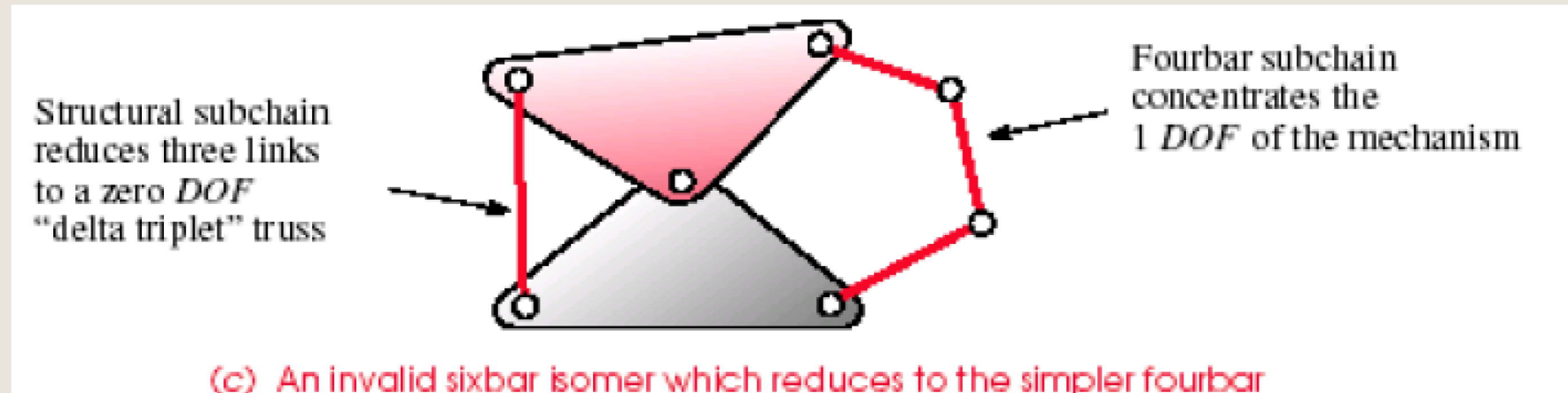
Number of Valid Isomers

Links	Valid Isomers
4	1
6	2
8	16
10	230
12	6856 or 6862*

\* Researchers disagree.



## Invalid Isomers



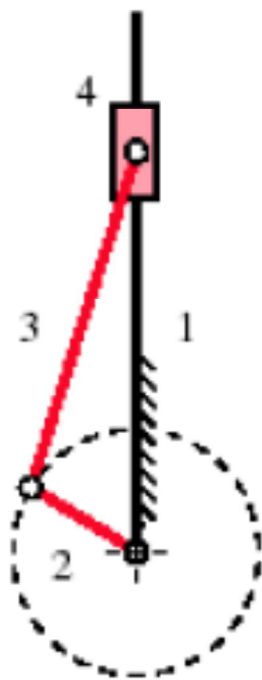
- ❑ The **structural subchain** of the two ternaries and the single binary effectively reduced to a structure that acts like a **single link**.
- ❑ Thus this arrangement has been reduced to the simpler case of the **fourbar** linkage **despite its six bars**.
- ❑ This is an **invalid** isomer and is **rejected**.



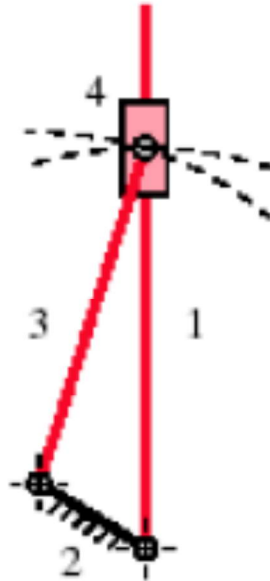
# *Inversions*

- ❑ An inversion is created by **grounding a different link** in the kinematic chain.
- ❑ Thus, there are as many **inversions** of a given chain as it has **links**.
- ❑ The **motions** resulting from each inversion **can** be quite different.
- ❑ But some inversions of a linkage may yield **motions similar** to other inversions of the same linkage.

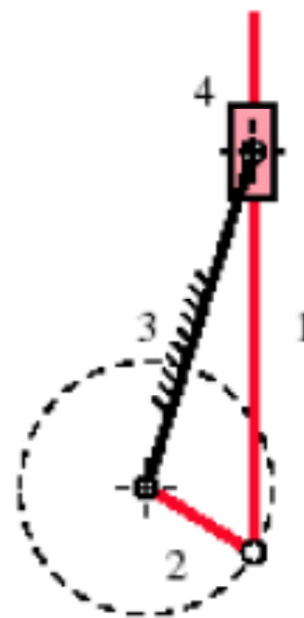
## *Inversions of the Slider Crank*



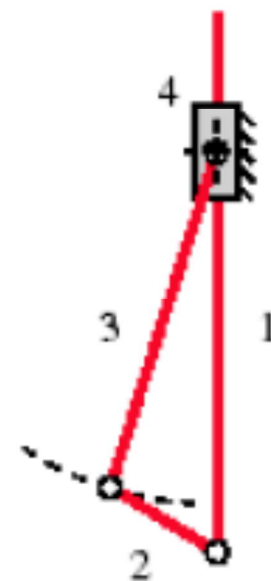
(a) Inversion # 1  
slider block  
translates



(b) Inversion # 2  
slider block has  
complex motion

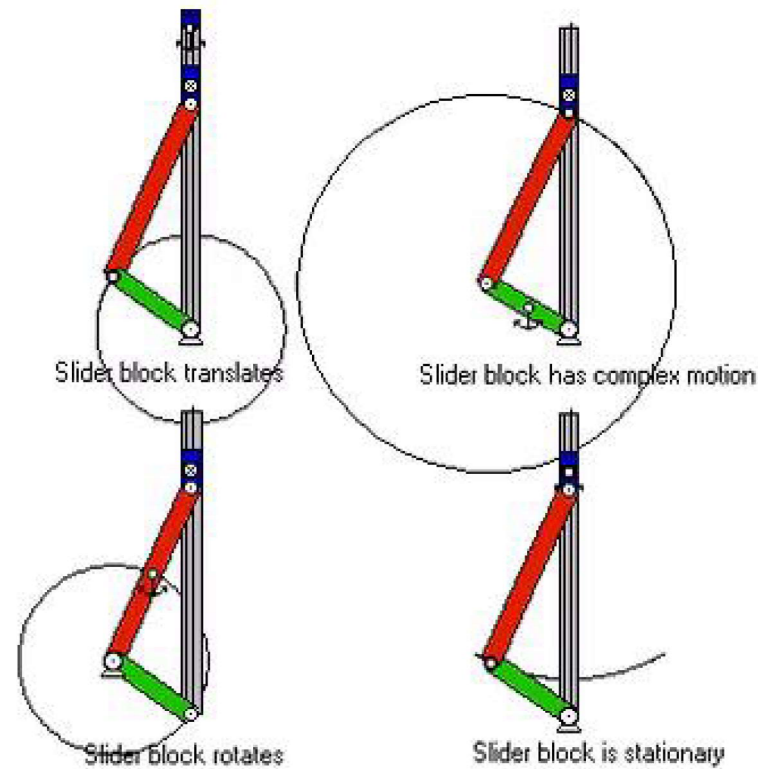


(c) Inversion # 3  
slider block  
rotates



(d) Inversion # 4  
slider block  
is stationary

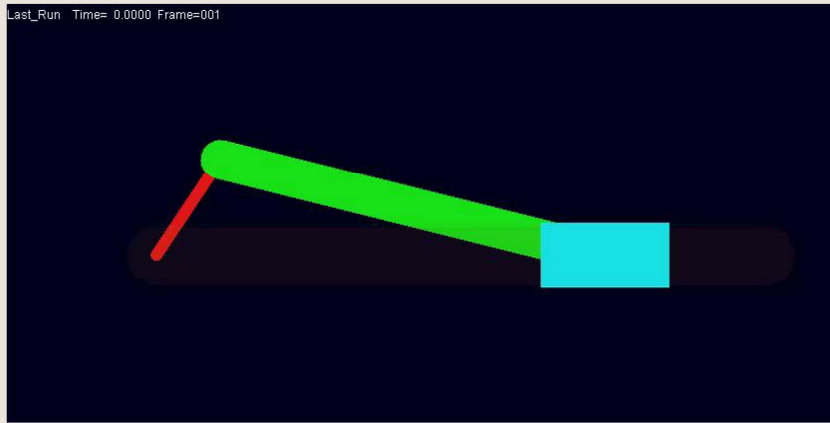
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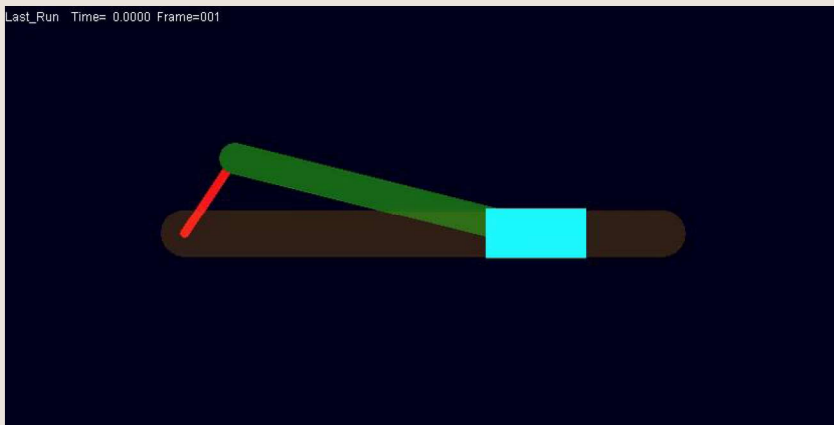
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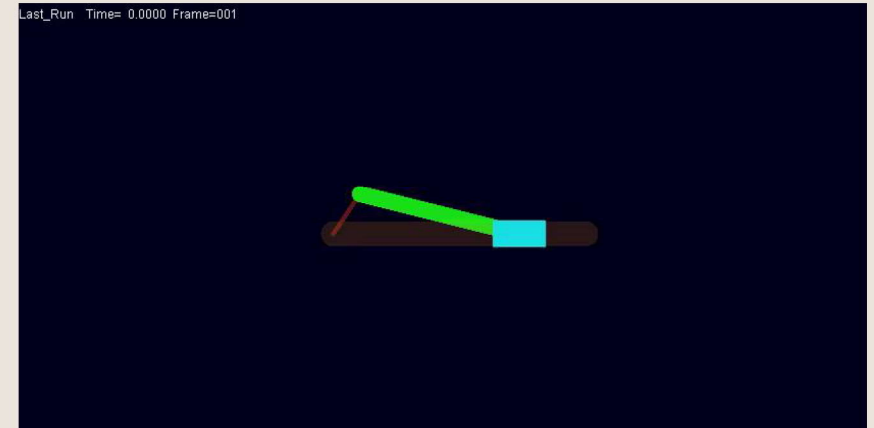
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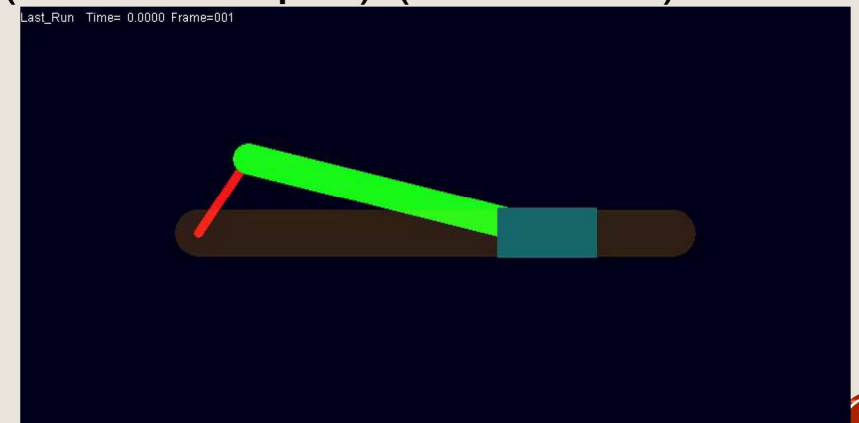
Used in engines and piston pumps



Slider block rotates (Oscillating cylinder engine)



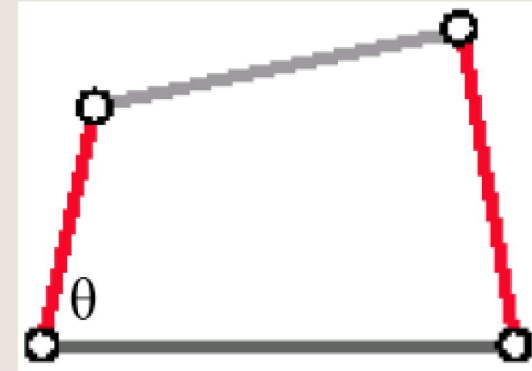
Quick-return motion mechanism  
(Crank-shaper) (Whitworth)



Hand operated pump

## **Grashof Condition of the Four-bar Mechanism**

- ❑ **Four bar mechanism** is in fact the most common and ubiquitous device used in machinery.
- ❑ It is also extremely versatile in terms of the types of motion that it can generate.
- ❑ The **Grashof condition** is a very simple relationship that predicts the rotation behavior or rotatability of a fourbar linkage's inversions based only on the link lengths.





## **Grashof Condition of the Four-bar Mechanism**

Let:

S = length of **shortest** link

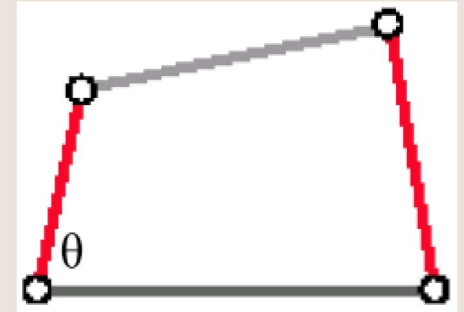
L = length of **longest** link

P = length of one remaining link

Q = length of other remaining link

Then if :

$$S + L \leq P + Q$$

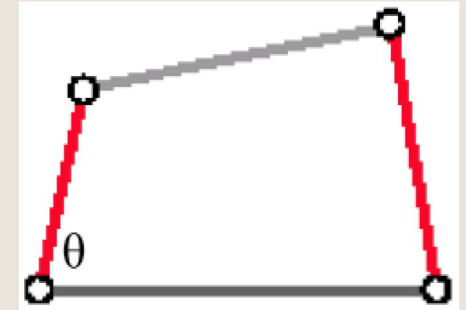


- ❑ The linkage is Grashof and at least one link will be capable of making a full revolution with respect to the ground plane. This is called a **Class I** kinematic chain.

## Grashof Condition of the Four-bar Mechanism

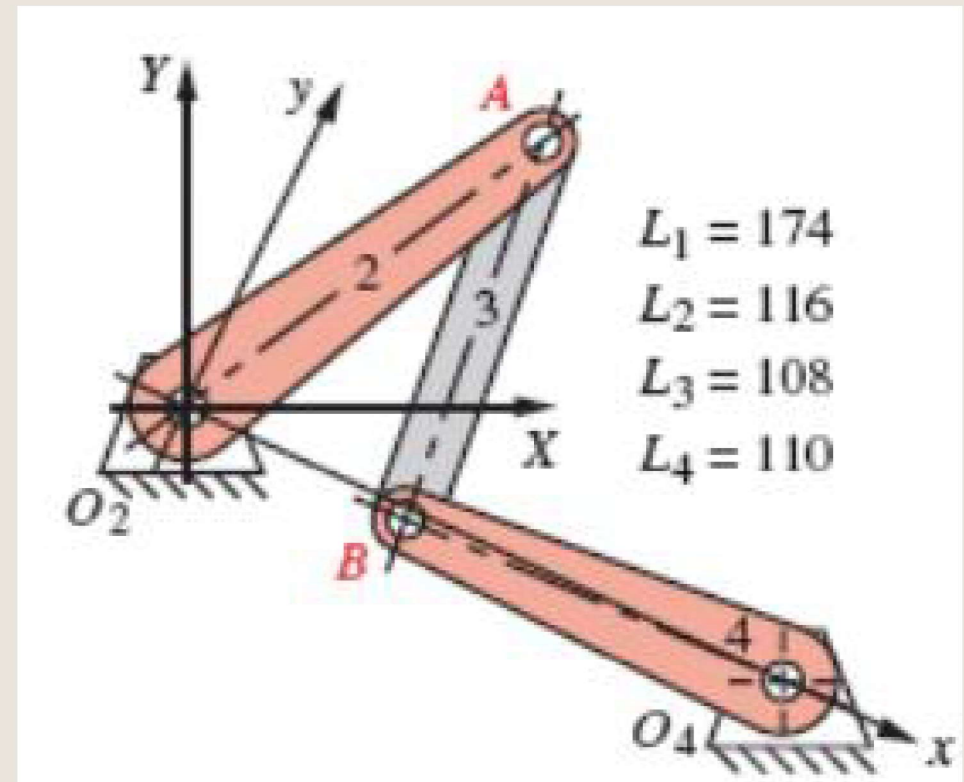
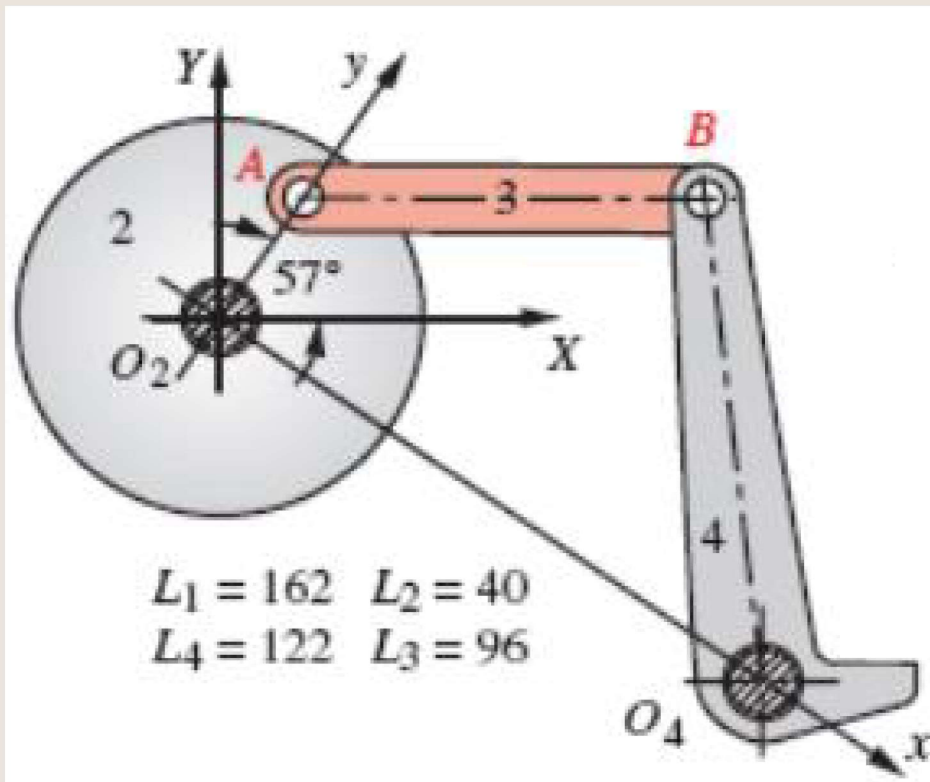
Then if :

$$S + L > P + Q$$



- ❑ Then the linkage is **non-Grashof** and no link will be capable of a complete revolution relative to any other link. This is a **Class II** kinematic chain.
- ❖ The **motions** possible from a fourbar linkage will **depend on** both the **Grashof** condition and the **inversion** chosen.

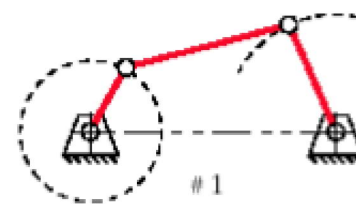
## Find Their Grashof Conditions



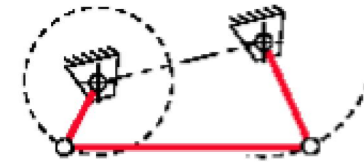
# ***Inversions of the Grashof Fourbar***

For the **Class I** case,  $S + L < P + Q$

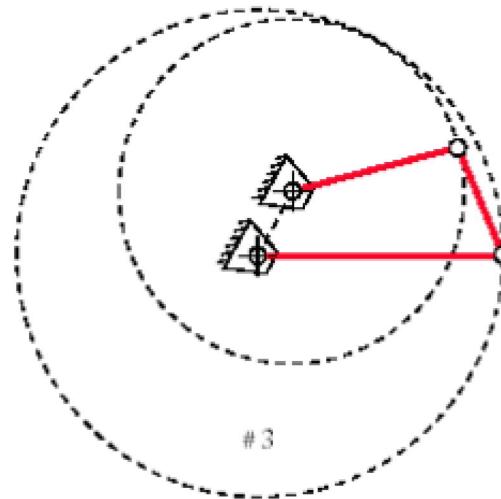
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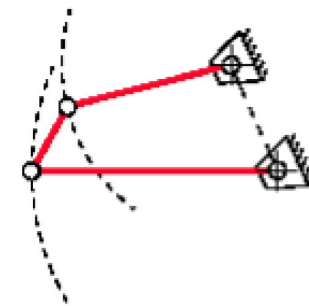


(a) Two non-distinct crank-rocker inversions (GCRR)



# 3

(b) Double-crank inversion (GCCC)  
(drag link mechanism)



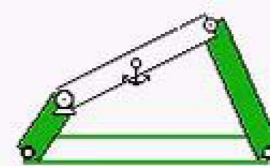
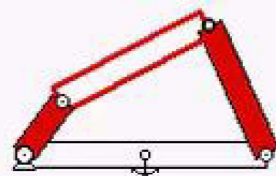
# 4

(c) Double-rocker inversion (GRCR)  
(coupler rotates)

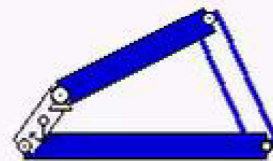
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For the **Class I** case,  $S + L < P + Q$

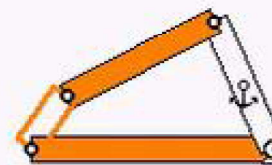
All inversions of the Grashof fourbar linkage



Two non-distinct  
crank-rocker inversions



Double-crank inversion  
(drag link)



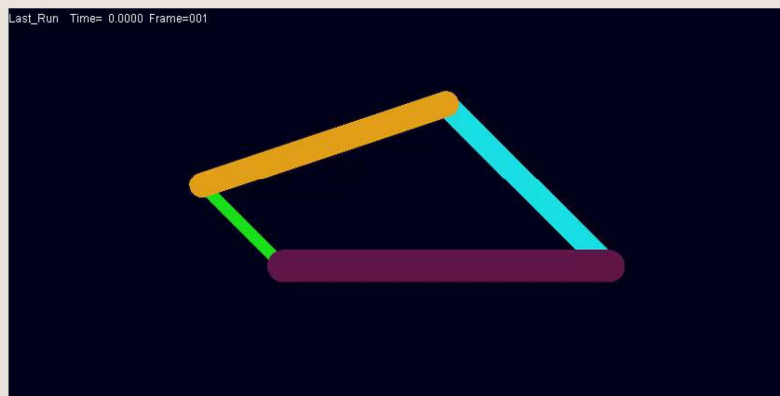
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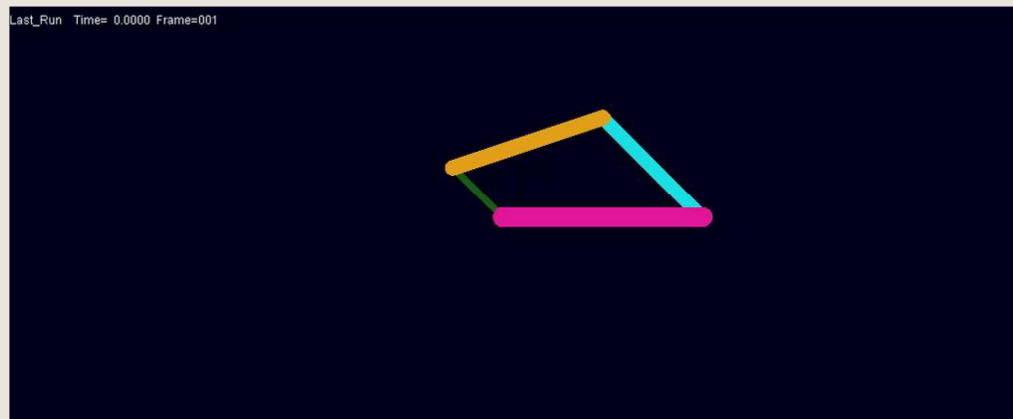


## **Inversions of the Grashof Fourbar**

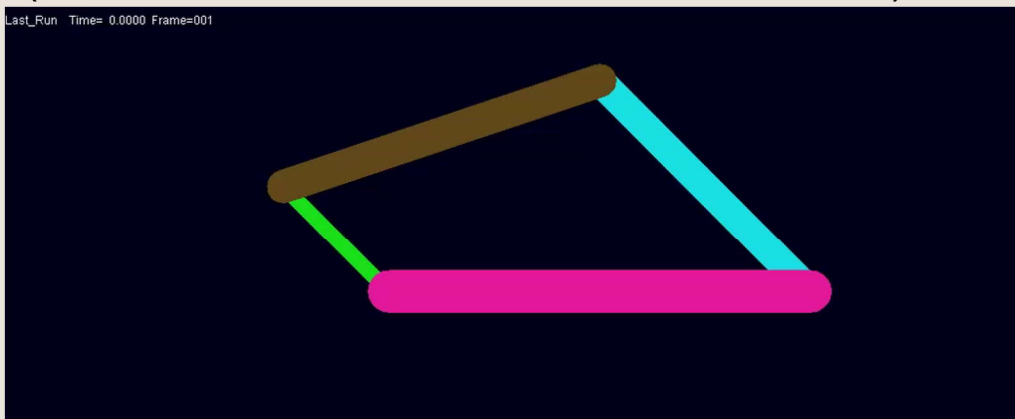
For the **Class I** case,  $S + L < P + Q$



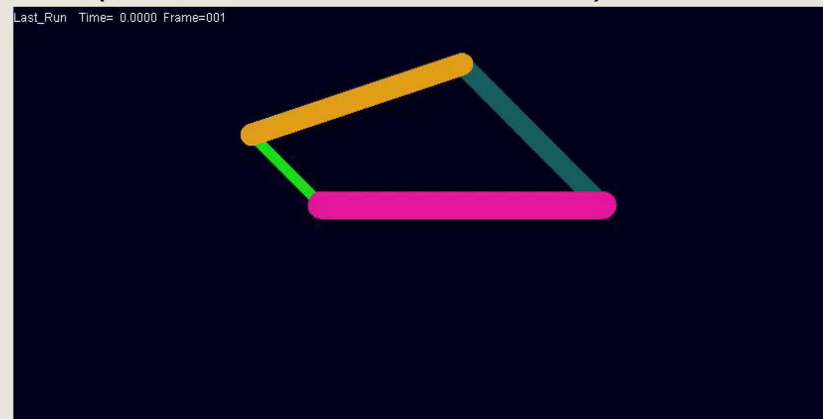
Crank – rocker  
(a link attached to the shortest link is fixed)



Double crank (drag link)  
(the shortest link is fixed)



Crank – rocker  
(a link attached to the shortest link is fixed)

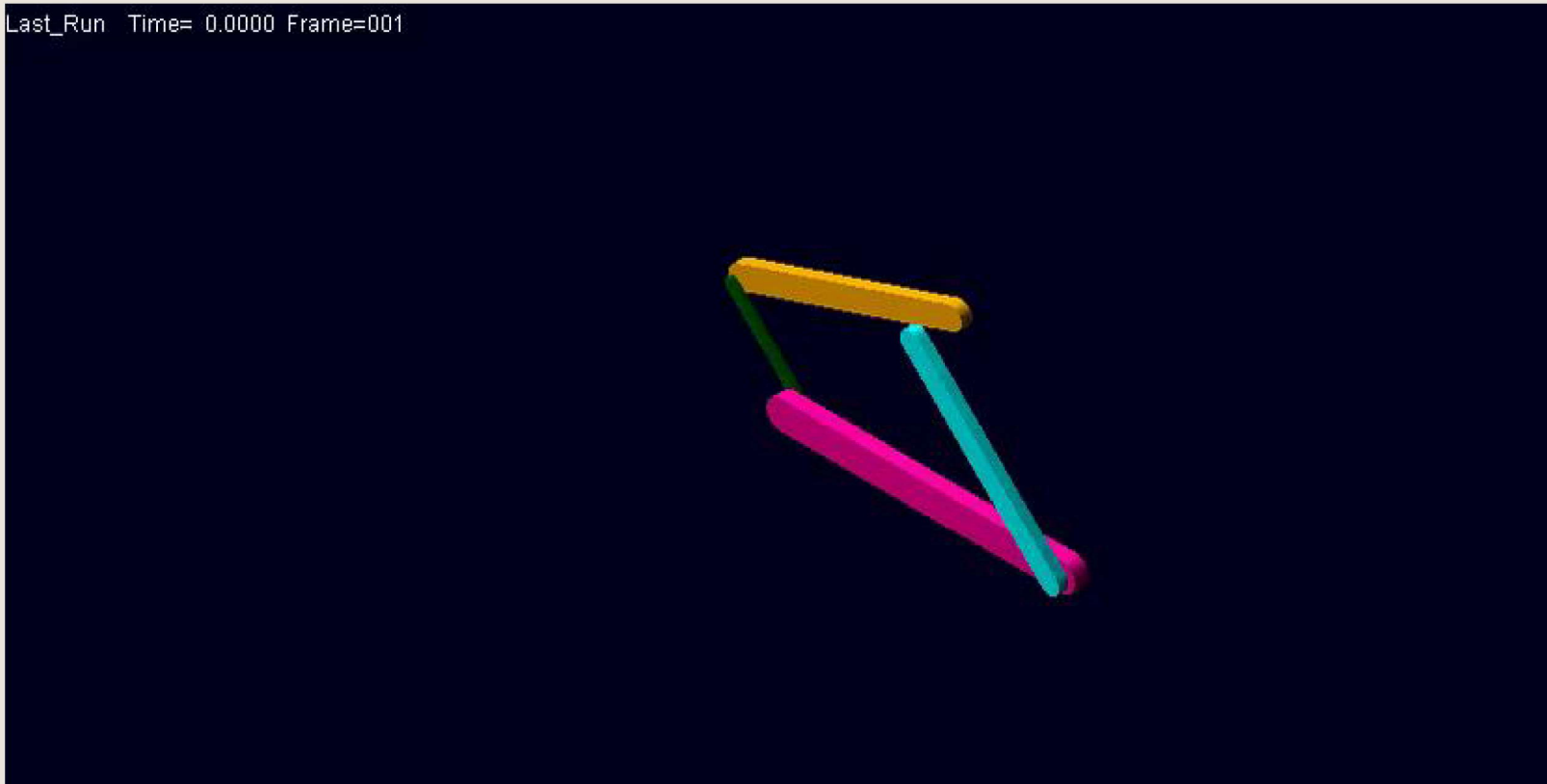


Double rocker (coupler makes a full revolution)  
(the link opposite to the shortest link is fixed)

## **Inversions of the Grashof Fourbar**

$$S + L < P + Q$$

Last\_Run Time= 0.0000 Frame=001



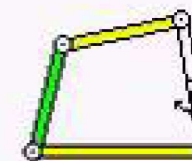
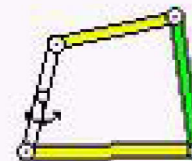
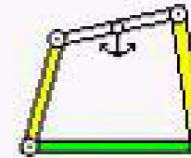
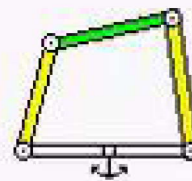
Double crank in isometric view

Note how the links move in different parallel planes without interference.

## **Inversions of the Non-Grashof Fourbar**

For the **Class II** case,  $S + L > P + Q$

- All inversions will be **triple-rockers** in which no link can fully rotate.

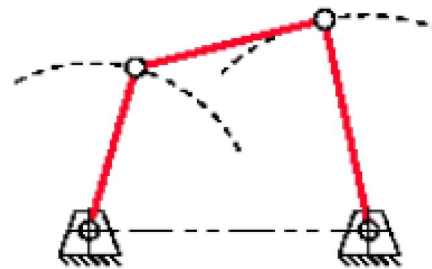


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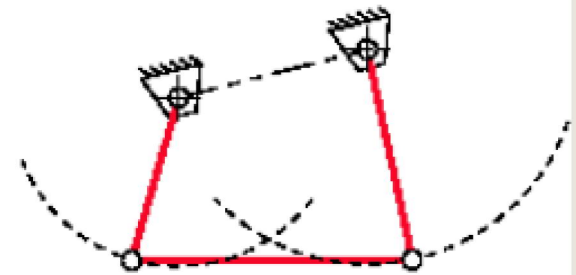
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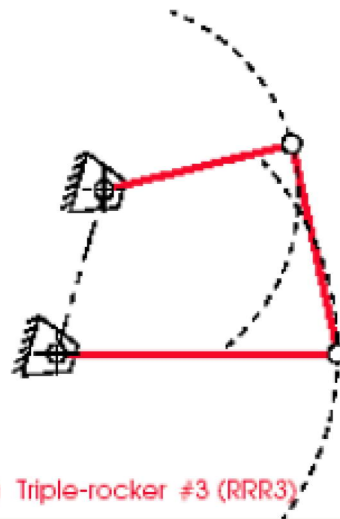
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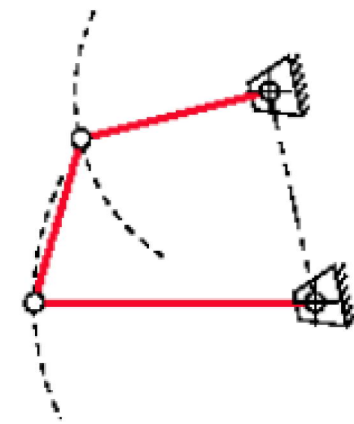
(a) Triple-rocker #1 (RRR1)



(b) Triple-rocker #2 (RRR2)



(c) Triple-rocker #3 (RRR3)



(d) Triple-rocker #4 (RRR4)

Triple-rockers

### **Special-Case Grashof Fourbar**

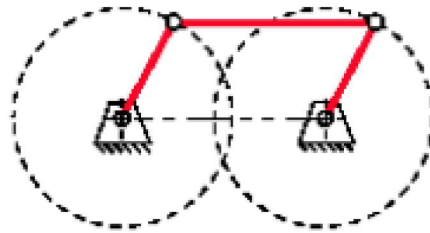
$$S + L = P + Q$$

- ❑ Referred to as **special-case** Grashof and also as a **Class III** kinematic chain.
- ❑ All inversions will be either double-cranks or crank-rockers, but will have "**change points**" twice per revolution of the input crank when the **links all become colinear**.
- ❑ At these change points the, **output behavior** will become **indeterminate**.

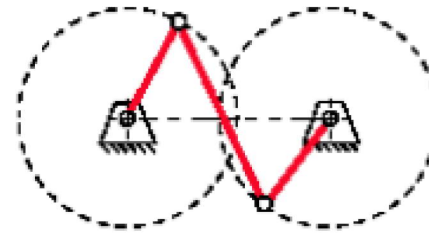


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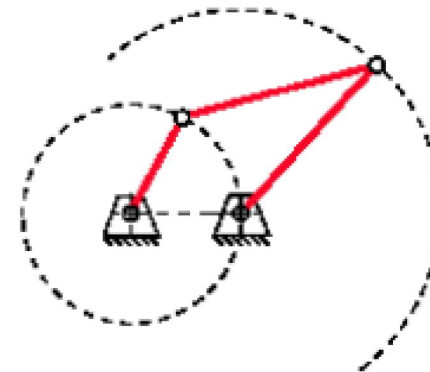


(a) Parallelogram form



(b) Antiparallelogram form

**Double-crank or  
crank-rocker**



(c) Deltoid or kite form

**THANKS**