

Project Name

Design of a Mechanical Spider

Project Overview

The walking mechanism of spiders has always been the interest of scientists. These types of robots are very useful when used in rugged terrains where traditional vehicles can't travel. The aim of this project is to design a mechanical spider using mainly mechanical linkages. The spider will be driven by an electric motor which will mechanically drive all legs. The legs will be made of mechanical links and properly designed to convert the rotary motion of the motor to propel the spider. The final design will include 4Bar linkages, cams and gearing systems.

Project Areas

- MEE341 Kinematics and Dynamics
 of Linkage
- MEE422 ME Design

Team Size and Majors needed

MEE: 4 students

INE: 0 student

Project Deliverables

Project should consist of the following:

- Modeling of the legs using linkages.
- Modeling of the gearing systems.
- Design for safety.
- Building a small prototype of the robot.