

Experimental Media Development for Learning Kinematics Using Jointed Robot Model

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ABSTRACT

This paper discusses about developing the learning media of kinematics using jointed robot models. The difficulty of learning kinematics is the high complexity of robot movements, while the number of degrees of freedom (DOF) is high. The DOF determines the movement of the robot joints to be more smooth, so each joint should be controlled accurately. The learning content consists of a theoretical concept of kinematic models and how this concept could be implemented as robot movements in real. In order to be more understandable, developing learning media is needed, which consists of jointed robot model as the practicing tool, practicum module and manual book. The learning content consists of a theoretical concept of kinematic models and how this concept is implemented as robot movements in real. The developing learning media is carried out regarding the learning media development method introduced by the Sugiyono's model. In order to observe whether the media could be valid for teaching-learning, evaluation of experts is needed. The results show that validation processes of experts are averaged as 91.2%, which indicates the criteria of a product is very valid and suitable to be used as learning media to support learning activities of kinematics study.

Keywords: jointed robot, kinematics concept, experimental media

1. INTRODUCTION

Robotics is an important subject, which could be deal with designing, modelling, controlling, and usage of the robot for special purposes [1]. One of special robots is a legged robot, which designs consist of a large number of degree of freedom (DOF) to determine the locomotion and tasking abilities, such as humanoid robot [2] or animaloid robot [3]. The robot has a physical form and actuators designed to be able to move and resolve tasks [4]. In order to obtain a well-coordinated movement, it is required to make a method of movement for the robot [5]. One such method is the Kinematics method.

Kinematics focus on study of its movement without involving the energy and force. There are some topics to be studied, such as kinematic analysis, inverse kinematic analysis, and modeling [1]. By using the kinematics, movement control of robots with high complexity of the movements, such as robot joints, can be precisely controlled [6]. In order to understand the kinematics concept, a learning media is needed to achieve the learning purposes [7]. Based on the curriculum in undergraduate at electrical engineering of education and undergraduate electrical engineering (TEUM Catalogue 2014), learning about the kinematics concept is determined as a part of robotics courses [8].

However, after observations at the robotics Laboratory and scientific papers on the TEUM library and discussions with several lecturers, especially in the Department of Electrical Engineering, the State University of Malang is known that the learning media for learning the kinematics concept still

are urgent to be developed and improved. Therefore, in research and development it is focused to build the jointed robot modelling kinematics concept learning

2. METHOD

The methods used in this research and development of the learning media of this jointed robot using Sugiyono's development method [9]. The steps of the development method are shown at Figure 1 below.

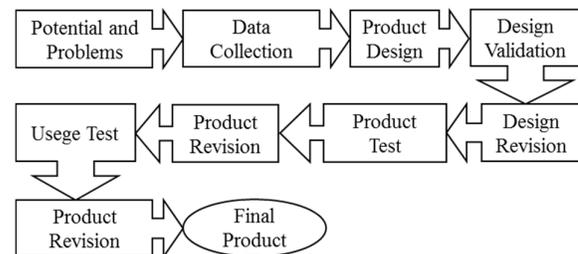


Figure 1 Design of Research and Development

In this research and development, the learning Media products are developed consisting of three things: practicing tool, practicum module and manual book. All three of these products are carried out the validation phase through design validation, product test and usage test that each of these stages is revised before entering the next stage. The initial design of the product first through design validation is done by two specialists/validators from the content and media

side. After that, the product be tested at Department of Electrical Engineering undergraduate students 2015 who have been taking the robotics course as much as 50 respondents. In this study there are two test types, namely: the product test using a small group with 12 respondents and usage test using a large group with 38 respondents. Data obtained from the research subject of both the validator and the respondent will be analyzed for the well-known feasibility of the three learning media products that have been developed. The analysis formula to determine the feasibility level of the product has been developed (Akbar, 2013) namely:

$$V = \frac{T_{Se}}{T_{sh}} \times 100\% \tag{1}$$

Explanation:

- V : Validity of the subject
- T_{sh} : Maximum expected total score
- T_{Se} : Total score has been received

Based on the value of the validity obtained, the values are then entered in several criteria [10] which can be viewed in Table 1.

Table 1 Qualification of Validity Criteria

No	Percentage	Validation Criteria	Description
1	85% - 100%	Very valid, usable without revision	Without Revision
2	70% - 85%	Quite valid, usable but need to be revision	Minor Revision
3	50% - 70%	Valid less recommended unused and need major revision	Major Revision
4	0% -50%	Invalid, shouldn't be used	Not Feasible

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Practicing tool

The final design result of the practicing tool is shown at Figure 2. Basically, the trainer is divided into 2 main points, namely the trainer board and kinematic model where the basic frame is made of white acrylic with a thickness of 3 mm. On the trainer board, there are four main parts: 1) test column of basic model which is used as the laying of the basic kinematic model that will be used for the practicum; 2) 2D coordinate system boards are used as pointer points of the practiced model; 3) I/O system as an integrated system package to control the model that is being practiced as well; 4) The USB port is used as a voltage source and a program converter from PC to basic kinematic model system.

In the kinematic model there are two focuses of learning, namely basic and applied. The basic kinematic model consists of the single link model, the SCARA arm model and the articulated arm model while the applied kinematic model is a tetrapod robot. The basic kinematic model is intended as an initial learning and gave a basic understanding of the kinematics concept while the applied kinematic model is intended as an application of the kinematics concept in making a constructed movement.

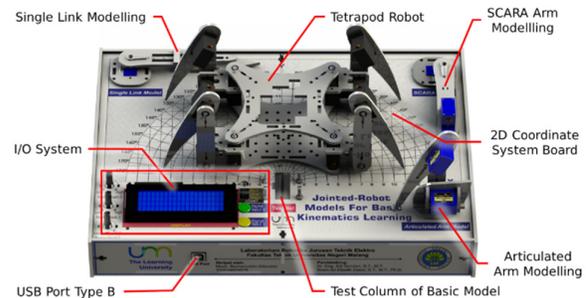


Figure 2 the Jointed Robot Model for Practicing Tool

3.2 Learning Media in the Form of Printed Books

There are two things that are intended for this print learning media, namely: the practicum module and the guidebook. The practicum module is used as a learning resource as well as a practical guide for the learning process that supports an understating of kinematics concept. The practicum module that has been developed, contains four original learning content: 1) Introduction of Kinematics; 2) Introduction of Jointed Robot; 3) Simple Robot Arm Configuration; 4) Four-Legged Robot System. The module practicum is writing structure refer by Daryanto [11]. There are 2 types of practicum modules that are for lecturers and students. The differentiator of both is the availability of answer keys and assessment instructions that are only found at practicum module for lecturers. Meanwhile, this trainer handbook contains specifications, kinematic model construction, how to use, tutorials and other information related to jointed

Based on the usage test data at Table 5 which is the result of the assessment of the large group of respondents, the lowest aspect assessment lies at capability media with a percentage validity of 86.62% while the highest aspect rating is at conformity with the average percentage of

validity of 91.61%. Based on the average percentage of validity of all aspects obtained that is 88.67%, then the product is declared to be very valid based on the respondents' assessment of the usage test.

Table 2 Results of Content Validation by Both Validators

No	Aspects	% Validation			Description
		Specialist I	Specialist II	Average	
1	Conformity	100	95	97.5	Very valid
2	Completeness	92.25	92.25	92.5	Very valid
3	Language and Communication	83.33	83.33	83.33	Very valid
4	Accuracy	100	91.67	95.83	Very valid
	Percentage of Subject	93.96	90.29	92.29	Very valid

Table 3 Results of Media Validation by Both Validators

No	Aspects	% Validation			Description
		Specialist I	Specialist II	Average	
1	Conformity	95	95	95	Very valid
2	Completeness	93.95	87.5	90.63	Very valid
3	Language and Communication	100	100	100	Very valid
4	Accuracy	91.67	91.67	91.67	Very valid
	Percentage of Subject	95.1	93.54	94.32	Very valid

Table 4 Products Testing Assessment Results

No	Aspects	Tse Score per Group					Tsh	V@Aspect	Description
		I	II	III	IV				
1	Conformity	43	47	43	48	48	92.19%	Very valid	
2	Completeness	48	54	50	56	60	86.67%	Very valid	
3	Media Capability	31	30	31	33	36	86.81%	Very valid	
4	Ease of Use	23	22	21	23	24	92.71%	Very valid	
5	Communication and Visual	65	57	64	65	72	87.15%	Very valid	
	V@Group	88.36%	88.42%	87.08%	94.22%	100%	89.52%	Very valid	

Table 5 Usage Testing Assessment Results

No	Aspects	Score		% Average	Description
		Tsh	Tse		
1	Conformity	608	558	91.77	Very valid
2	Completeness	760	676	88.94	Very valid

3	Media Capability	456	398	87.28	Very valid
4	Ease of Use	304	272	89.47	Very valid
5	Communication and Visual	912	810	88.81	Very valid
	Total Score	3040	2714		
	Percentage of Subject			89.27	Very valid

4. CONCLUSION

Based on the final results obtained from the research validation phase of the design and testing, the overall average percentage was 91.2%. From the value of the validity of the product stated in the criteria are very valid and fit to be used to train the kinematics aided by joint robot modeling.

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