



Kinematics

The Math of Space. The Science of Motion

METR 4202: Advanced Control & **Robotics**

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Schedule

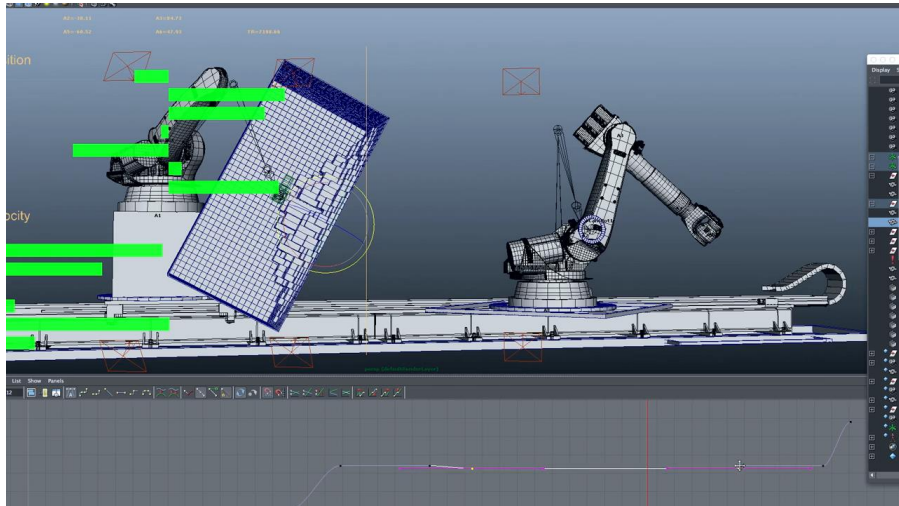
Week	Date	Lecture (W: 11:10-12:40, 24-402)
1	30-Jul	Introduction
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3	13-Aug	Robot Kinematics (& Ekka Day)
4	20-Aug	Robot Dynamics & Control
5	27-Aug	Robot Trajectories & Motion
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9	24-Sep	Motion Planning + Control
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13	29-Oct	Applications in Industry & Course Review



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Outline

1. Coordinate Transformations
2. Homogenous Coordinates
3. Forward Kinematics ($\theta \rightarrow x$)
4. Inverse Kinematics ($x \rightarrow \theta$)
5. Denavit Hartenberg [DH] Notation
6. Affine Transformations &
7. Theoretical (General) Kinematics

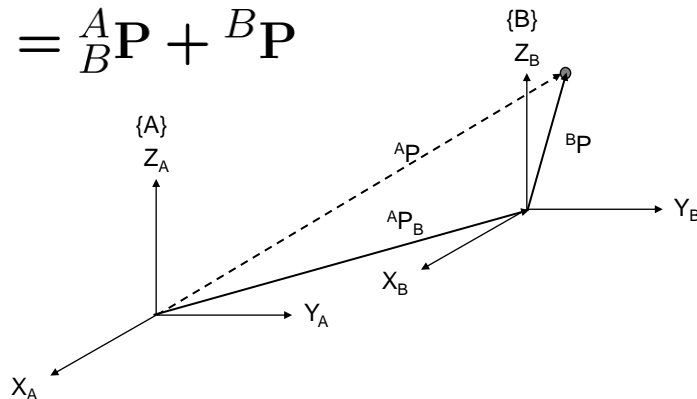


Coordinate Transformations [1]

- Translation Again:

If {B} is translated with respect to {A} **without rotation**, then it is a vector sum

$${}^A\mathbf{P} = {}^A_B\mathbf{P} + {}^B\mathbf{P}$$



Coordinate Transformations [2]

- Rotation Again:

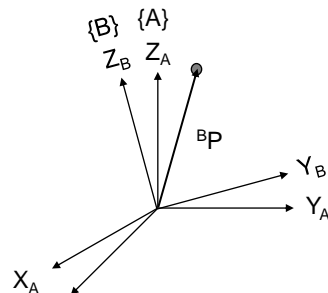
{B} is rotated with respect to {A} then
use rotation matrix to determine new components

- NOTE:
$${}^A\mathbf{P} = {}^A_B\mathbf{R} {}^B\mathbf{P}$$

- The Rotation matrix's *subscript* matches the position vector's *superscript*

$${}^A\mathbf{P} = {}^A_{[[B]]}\mathbf{R} [{}^B]\mathbf{P}$$

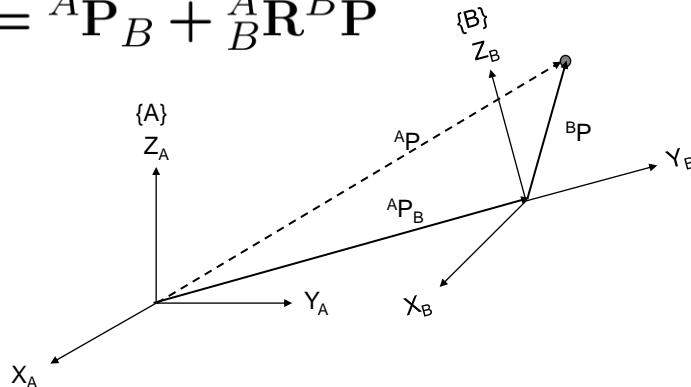
- This gives Point Positions of {B} ORIENTED in {A}



Coordinate Transformations [3]

- Composite transformation:
 $\{B\}$ is moved with respect to $\{A\}$:

$${}^A\mathbf{P} = {}^A\mathbf{P}_B + {}^A_B\mathbf{R} {}^B\mathbf{P}$$



General Coordinate Transformations [1]

- A compact representation of the translation and rotation is known as the **Homogeneous Transformation**

$${}^A_B\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A_B\mathbf{R} & {}^A\mathbf{P}_B \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

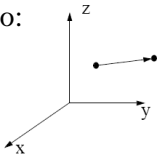
- This allows us to cast the rotation and translation of the general transform in a single matrix form

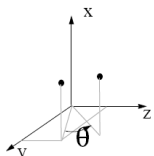
$$\begin{bmatrix} {}^A\mathbf{P} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^A_B\mathbf{T} \begin{bmatrix} {}^B\mathbf{P} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

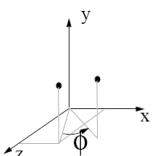


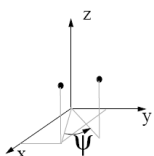
General Coordinate Transformations [2]

- Similarly, fundamental orthonormal transformations can be represented in this form too:



$$Trans(u, v, w) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & u \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & v \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & w \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$


$$Rotx(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c\theta & -s\theta & 0 \\ 0 & s\theta & c\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$


$$Roty(\phi) = \begin{bmatrix} c\phi & 0 & s\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s\phi & 0 & c\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$


$$Rotz(\psi) = \begin{bmatrix} c\psi & -s\psi & 0 & 0 \\ s\psi & c\psi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



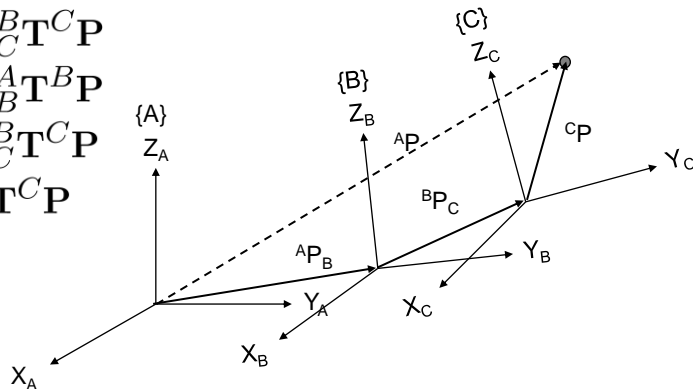
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General Coordinate Transformations [3]

- Multiple transformations compounded as a chain

$$\begin{aligned} {}^B\mathbf{P} &= {}^B\mathbf{T}_C {}^C\mathbf{P} \\ {}^A\mathbf{P} &= {}^A\mathbf{T}_B {}^B\mathbf{P} \\ &= {}^A\mathbf{T}_B {}^B\mathbf{T}_C {}^C\mathbf{P} \\ &= {}^A\mathbf{T}_C {}^C\mathbf{P} \end{aligned}$$




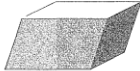


$${}^A\mathbf{T}_C = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A\mathbf{R}_B {}^B\mathbf{R}_C & {}^A\mathbf{P}_B + {}^A\mathbf{R}_B {}^B\mathbf{P}_C \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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Projective Transformations & Other Transformations of 3D Space

Group	Matrix	Distortion	Invariant properties
Projective 15 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} A & t \\ \mathbf{v}^T & v \end{bmatrix}$		Intersection and tangency of surfaces in contact. Sign of Gaussian curvature.
Affine 12 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} A & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		Parallelism of planes, volume ratios, centroids. The plane at infinity, π_∞ , (see section 3.5).
Similarity 7 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		The absolute conic, Ω_∞ , (see section 3.6).
Euclidean 6 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		Volume.

p.78, R. Hartley and A. Zisserman. *Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision*



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Homogenous Coordinates

$$\hat{p} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho p_x & \rho p_y & \rho p_z & \rho \end{bmatrix}^T$$

- ρ is a scaling value



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Homogenous Transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} {}^A R_B & {}^A p \\ \gamma & \rho \end{bmatrix}$$

- γ is a projective transformation



Projective Transformations ...

Group	Matrix	Distortion	Invariant properties
Projective 8 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix}$		Concurrency, collinearity, order of contact : intersection (1 pt contact); tangency (2 pt contact); inflections (3 pt contact with line); tangent discontinuities and cusps. cross ratio (ratio of ratio of lengths).
Affine 6 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & t_x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		Parallelism, ratio of areas, ratio of lengths on collinear or parallel lines (e.g. midpoints), linear combinations of vectors (e.g. centroids). The line at infinity, \mathbf{l}_∞ .
Similarity 4 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} sr_{11} & sr_{12} & t_x \\ sr_{21} & sr_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		Ratio of lengths, angle. The circular points, \mathbf{I}, \mathbf{J} (see section 2.7.3).
Euclidean 3 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & t_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		Length, area

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Generalizing

Special Orthogonal & Special Euclidean Lie Algebras

- $SO(n)$: Rotations

$$SO(n) = \{R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : RR^T = I, \det R = +1\}.$$

$$\exp(\hat{\omega}\theta) = e^{\hat{\omega}\theta} = I + \theta\hat{\omega} + \frac{\theta^2}{2!}\hat{\omega}^2 + \frac{\theta^3}{3!}\hat{\omega}^3 + \dots$$

- $SE(n)$: Transformations of EUCLIDEAN space

$$SE(n) := \mathbb{R}^n \times SO(n).$$

$$SE(3) = \{(p, R) : p \in \mathbb{R}^3, R \in SO(3)\} = \mathbb{R}^3 \times SO(3).$$



KINEMATICS ...

Forward Kinematics [1]

- Forward kinematics is the process of chaining homogeneous transforms together. For example to:
 - Find the articulations of a mechanism, or
 - the fixed transformation between two frames which is known in terms of linear and rotary parameters.
- Calculates the final position from the **machine** (**joint variables**)
- Unique for an open kinematic chain (**serial arm**)
- “Complicated” (multiple solutions, etc.) for a closed kinematic chain (**parallel arm**)



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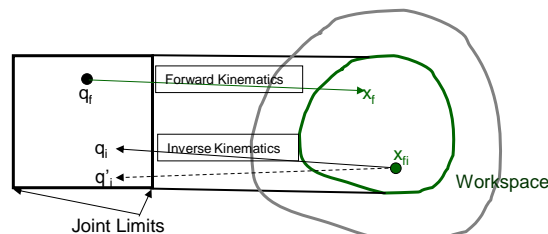
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Forward Kinematics [2]

- Can think of this as “spaces”:
 - Workspace (x,y,z,α,β,γ):
The robot’s position & orientation
 - Joint space (θ₁ ... θ_n):
A state-space vector of joint variables

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{p} \\ \vec{\Theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{q} = \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ \vdots \\ q_n \end{bmatrix}$$



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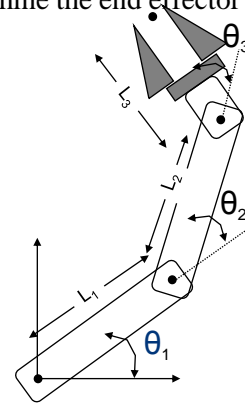
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Forward Kinematics [3]

- Consider a planar RRR manipulator
- Given the joint angles and link lengths, we can determine the end effector pose:

$$x = L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2) + \dots \\ L_3 \cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

$$y = L_1 \sin \theta_1 + L_2 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2) + \dots \\ L_3 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$$



- This isn't too difficult to determine for a simple, planar manipulator. BUT ...

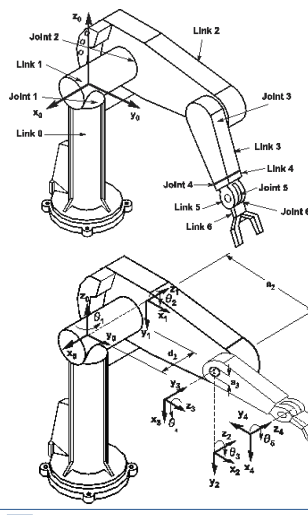


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Forward Kinematics [4]: The PUMA 560!

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



$$\begin{pmatrix} n_x & s_x & a_x & p_x \\ n_y & s_y & a_y & p_y \\ n_z & s_z & a_z & p_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} s_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ s_1(-s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} s_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ s_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_x &= c_1(c_{23}c_4s_5) \\ a_y &= s_1(c_{23}c_4s_5) \\ a_z &= -s_{23}c_4s_5 \\ p_x &= c_1(d_6(c_{23} \\ p_y &= s_1(d_6(c_{23} \\ p_z &= d_6(c_{23}c_5 \end{aligned}$$



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Inverse Kinematics

- Forward: angles \rightarrow position
 $\mathbf{x} = f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$
- Inverse: position \rightarrow angles
 $\boldsymbol{\theta} = f^I(\mathbf{x})$
- Analytic Approach
- Numerical Approaches:
 - Jacobian: $J = \frac{\delta x}{\delta q} \rightarrow \delta q \approx J^{-1} \delta x$
 - J^T Approximation: $\tau = J^T \cdot \mathbf{F} \rightarrow \Delta q \approx J^T \Delta x$
 - Slotine & Sheridan method
 - Cyclical Coordinate Descent



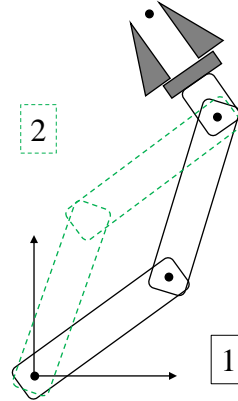
Inverse Kinematics

- Inverse Kinematics is the problem of finding the joint parameters given only the values of the homogeneous transforms which model the mechanism (i.e., the pose of the end effector)
- Solves the problem of where to drive the joints in order to get the hand of an arm or the foot of a leg in the right place
- In general, this involves the solution of a set of simultaneous, non-linear equations
- Hard for serial mechanisms, easy for parallel



Multiple Solutions

- There will often be multiple solutions for a particular inverse kinematic analysis
- Consider the three link manipulator shown. Given a particular end effector pose, two solutions are possible
- The choice of solution is a function of proximity to the current pose, limits on the joint angles and possible obstructions in the workspace

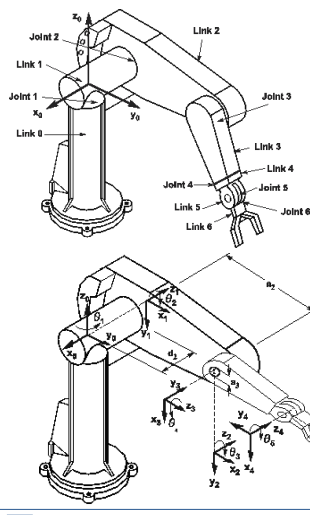


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Inverse kinematics

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



$${}^0T_6 = {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 {}^3T_4 {}^4T_5 {}^5T_6 = \begin{pmatrix} n_x & s_x & a_x & p_x \\ n_y & s_y & a_y & p_y \\ n_z & s_z & a_z & p_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$n_x = c_1(c_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - s_{23}s_5c_6) - s_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6)$$

$$n_y = s_1(c_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - s_{23}s_5c_6) + c_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6)$$

$$n_z = -s_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - c_{23}s_5c_6$$

$$s_x = c_1(-c_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) + s_{23}s_5s_6) - s_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6)$$

$$s_y = s_1(-c_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) + s_{23}s_5s_6) + c_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6)$$

$$s_z = s_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) - c_{23}s_5s_6$$

$$a_x = c_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) - s_1s_4s_5$$

$$a_y = s_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + c_1s_4s_5$$

$$a_z = -s_{23}c_4s_5 + c_{23}c_5$$

$$p_x = c_1(d_6(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + s_{23}d_4 + a_3c_{23} + a_2c_2) - s_1(d_6s_4s_5 + d_2)$$

$$p_y = s_1(d_6(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + s_{23}d_4 + a_3c_{23} + a_2c_2) + c_1(d_6s_4s_5 + d_2)$$

$$p_z = d_6(c_{23}c_5 - s_{23}c_4s_5) + c_{23}d_4 - a_3s_{23} - a_2s_2$$



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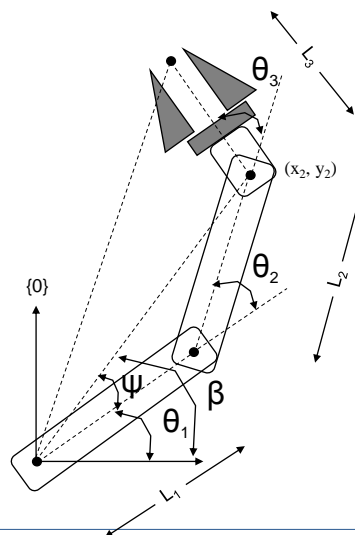
Solution Methods

- Unlike with systems of linear equations, there are no general algorithms that may be employed to solve a set of nonlinear equation
- **Closed-form** and **numerical** methods exist
- We will concentrate on analytical, closed-form methods
- These can be characterized by two methods of obtaining a solution: **algebraic** and **geometric**



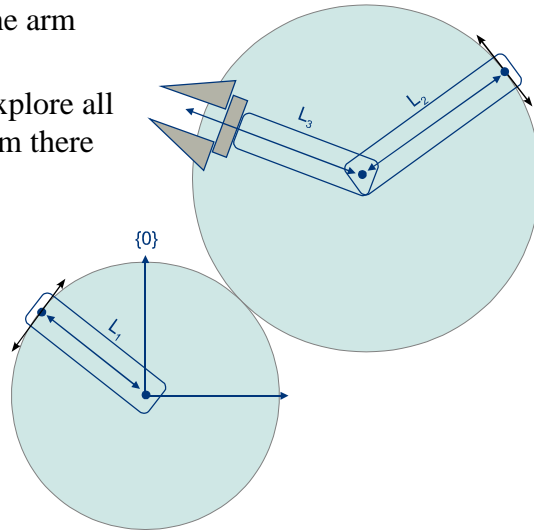
Inverse Kinematics: Geometrical Approach

- We can also consider the geometric relationships defined by the arm



Inverse Kinematics: Geometrical Approach [2]

- We can also consider the geometric relationships defined by the arm
- Start with what is fixed, explore all geometric possibilities from there



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Inverse Kinematics: Algebraic Approach

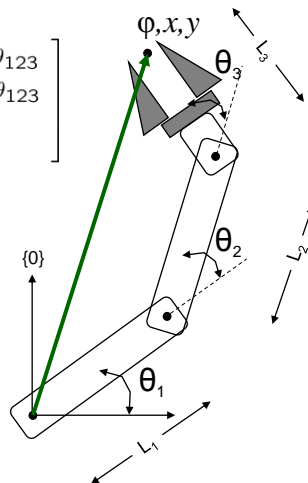
- We have a series of equations which define this system
- Recall, from Forward Kinematics:

$${}^0T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_{123}} & -s_{\theta_{123}} & 0 & L_1c_{\theta_1} + L_2c_{\theta_{12}} + L_3c_{\theta_{123}} \\ s_{\theta_{123}} & c_{\theta_{123}} & 0 & L_1s_{\theta_1} + L_2s_{\theta_{12}} + L_3s_{\theta_{123}} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The end-effector pose is given by

$${}^0T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_\phi & -s_\phi & 0 & x \\ s_\phi & c_\phi & 0 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Equating terms gives us a set of algebraic relationships

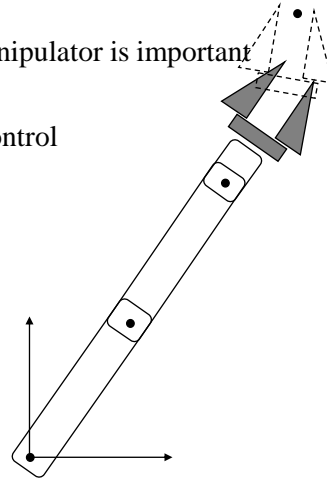


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No Solution - Singularity

- Singular positions:
- An understanding of the workspace of the manipulator is important
- There will be poses that are not achievable
- There will be poses where there is a loss of control
- Singularities also occur when the manipulator loses a DOF
 - This typically happens when joints are aligned
 - $\det[\text{Jacobian}] = 0$



Denavit Hartenberg ...

Denavit Hartenberg [DH] Notation

- J. Denavit and R. S. Hartenberg first proposed the use of homogeneous transforms for articulated mechanisms
(But B. Roth, introduced it to robotics)
- A kinematics “short-cut” that reduced the number of parameters by adding a structure to frame selection
- For two frames positioned in space, the first can be moved into coincidence with the second by a sequence of 4 operations:
 - rotate around the x_{i-1} axis by an angle α_i
 - translate along the x_{i-1} axis by a distance a_i
 - translate along the new z axis by a distance d_i
 - rotate around the new z axis by an angle θ_i

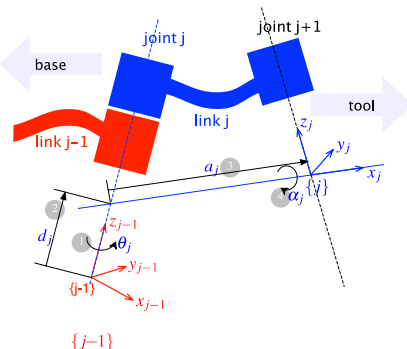


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Denavit-Hartenberg Convention

- link length a_i the offset distance between the z_{i-1} and z_i axes along the x_i axis;
- link twist α_i the angle from the z_{i-1} axis to the z_i axis about the x_i axis;



Art. c/o P. Corke

- link offset d_i the distance from the origin of frame $i-1$ to the x_i axis along the z_{i-1} axis;
- joint angle θ_i the angle between the x_{i-1} and x_i axes about the z_{i-1} axis.



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DH: Where to place frame?

1. Align an axis along principal motion
 1. Rotary (R): align rotation axis along the z axis
 2. Prismatic (P): align slider travel along x axis
2. Orient so as to position x axis towards next frame
3. $\theta_{(\text{rot } z)} \rightarrow d_{(\text{trans } z)} \rightarrow a_{(\text{trans } x)} \rightarrow \alpha_{(\text{rot } x)}$



Denavit-Hartenberg \rightarrow Rotation Matrix

- Each transformation is a product of 4 “basic” transformations (instead of 6)

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^{i-1}A_i &= Rot_{z,\theta_i} Trans_{z,d_i} Trans_{x,a_i} Rot_{x,\alpha_i} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_i & -s\theta_i & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_i & c\theta_i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a_i \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdots \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c\alpha_i & -s\alpha_i & 0 \\ 0 & s\alpha_i & c\alpha_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_i & -s\theta_i c\alpha_i & s\theta_i s\alpha_i & a_i c\theta_i \\ s\theta_i & c\theta_i c\alpha_i & -c\theta_i s\alpha_i & a_i s\theta_i \\ 0 & s\alpha_i & c\alpha_i & d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



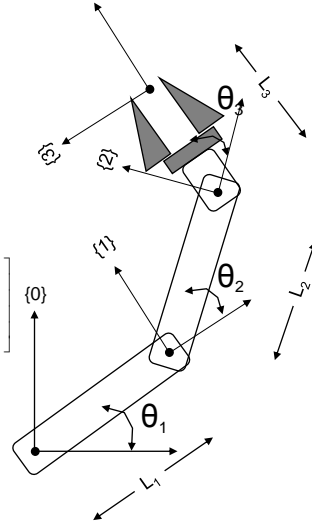
DH Example [1]: RRR Link Manipulator

1. Assign the frames at the joints ...
2. Fill DH Table ...

Link	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	L_1	0	0	θ_1
2	L_2	0	0	θ_2
3	L_3	0	0	θ_3

$${}^0A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1} & -s_{\theta_1} & 0 & L_1 c_{\theta_1} \\ s_{\theta_1} & c_{\theta_1} & 0 & L_1 s_{\theta_1} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} {}^1A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_2} & -s_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_2 c_{\theta_2} \\ s_{\theta_2} & c_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_2 s_{\theta_2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} {}^2A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_3} & -s_{\theta_3} & 0 & L_3 c_{\theta_3} \\ s_{\theta_3} & c_{\theta_3} & 0 & L_3 s_{\theta_3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0T_3 = {}^0A_1 {}^1A_2 {}^2A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_{123}} & -s_{\theta_{123}} & 0 & L_1 c_{\theta_1} + L_2 c_{\theta_{12}} + L_3 c_{\theta_{123}} \\ s_{\theta_{123}} & c_{\theta_{123}} & 0 & L_1 s_{\theta_1} + L_2 s_{\theta_{12}} + L_3 s_{\theta_{123}} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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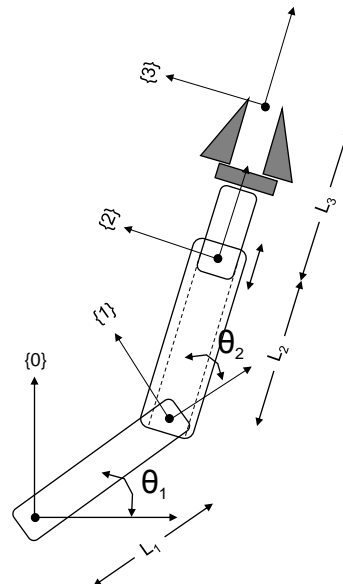
DH Example [2]: RRP Link Manipulator

1. Assign the frames at the joints ...
2. Fill DH Table ...

Link	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	L_1	0	0	θ_1
2	L_2	0	0	θ_2
3	L_3	0	0	0

$${}^0A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1} & -s_{\theta_1} & 0 & L_1 c_{\theta_1} \\ s_{\theta_1} & c_{\theta_1} & 0 & L_1 s_{\theta_1} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} {}^1A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_2} & -s_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_2 c_{\theta_2} \\ s_{\theta_2} & c_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_2 s_{\theta_2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} {}^2A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & L_3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0T_3 = {}^0A_1 {}^1A_2 {}^2A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_{12}} & -s_{\theta_{12}} & 0 & L_1 c_{\theta_1} + (L_2 + L_3) c_{\theta_{12}} \\ s_{\theta_{12}} & c_{\theta_{12}} & 0 & L_1 s_{\theta_1} + (L_2 + L_3) s_{\theta_{12}} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

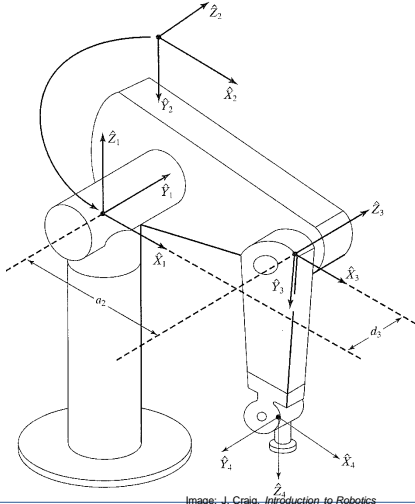


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DH Example [3]: Puma 560

- “Simple” 6R robot exercise for the reader ...



Link	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	0	0	0	θ_1
2	0	$-\pi/2$	0	θ_2
3	L_2	0	D_3	θ_3
4	L_3	$-\pi/2$	D_4	θ_4
5	0	$\pi/2$	0	θ_5
6	0	$-\pi/2$	0	θ_6

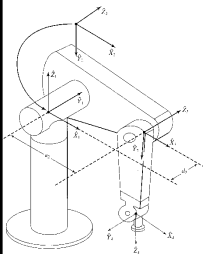


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Image: J. Craig, Introduction to Robotics
3rd Ed., 2005

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DH Example [3]: Puma 560 [2]



$${}^0A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_2 & -s_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_2 \\ -s_2 & -c_2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^2A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_3 & -s_3 & 0 & L_2 \\ s_3 & c_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^3A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} c_4 & -s_4 & 0 & L_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_4 \\ -s_4 & -c_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^4A_5 = \begin{bmatrix} c_5 & -s_5 & 0 & L_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_4 \\ -s_5 & -c_5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^5A_6 = \begin{bmatrix} c_6 & -s_6 & 0 & L_3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -s_6 & -c_6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

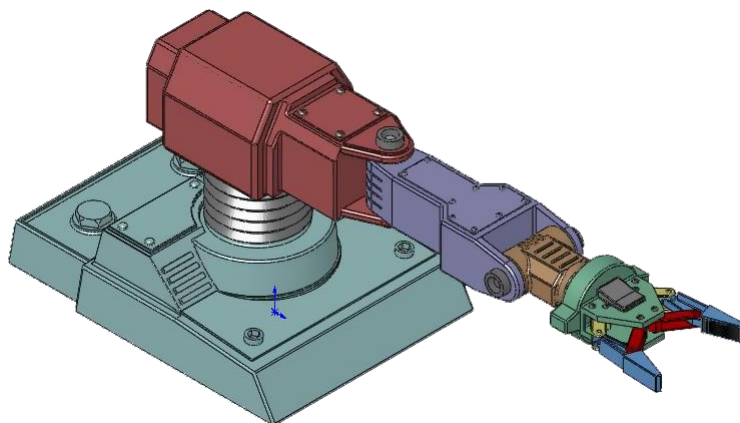
$${}^0T_6 = {}^0A_1 {}^1A_2 {}^2A_3 {}^3A_4 {}^4A_5 {}^5A_6$$



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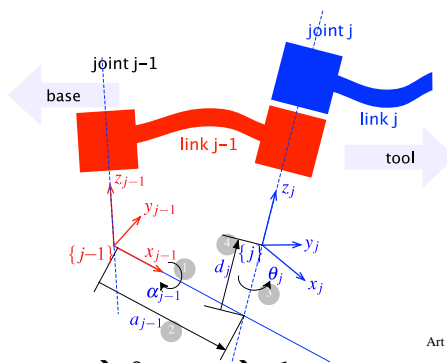
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Demonstration: Matlab & Solidworks



Modified DH

- Made “popular” by Craig’s *Intro. to Robotics* book
- Link coordinates attached to the near by joint



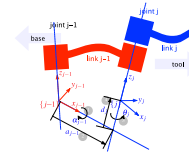
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- a (trans x -1) $\rightarrow \alpha$ (rot x -1) $\rightarrow \theta$ (rot z) $\rightarrow d$ (trans z)



Modified DH [2]

- Gives a similar result
(but it's not commutative)



$$\Rightarrow {}^{i-1}A_i = R_x(\alpha_{i-1}) T_x(a_{i-1}) R_z(\theta_i) T_z(d_i)$$

- Refactoring Standard \rightarrow to Modified

$$\underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_1) T_z(d_1) T_x(a_1) R_x(\alpha_1)\}}_{DH_1} \cdot \underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_2) T_z(d_2) T_x(a_2) R_x(\alpha_2)\}}_{DH_2} \cdot \underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_3) T_z(d_3)\}}_{\text{End Effector}}$$

$$= \underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_1) T_z(d_1)\}}_{\text{Base}} \cdot \underbrace{\{T_x(a_1) R_x(\alpha_1) R_z(\theta_2) T_z(d_2)\}}_{MDH_1} \cdot \underbrace{\{T_x(a_2) R_x(\alpha_2) R_z(\theta_3) T_z(d_3)\}}_{MDH_2}$$



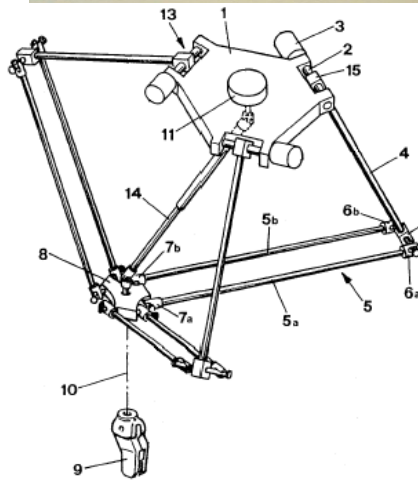
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Parallel Manipulators & Mobile Platforms

Parallel Manipulators



Sources: Wikipedia, "Delta Robot", ParallelMic.Org, "Delta Parallel Robot", and [US Patent 4,076,552](#)

- The “central” Kinematic structure is made up of closed-loop chain(s)

Compared to Serial Mechanisms:

- + Higher Stiffness
- + Higher Payload
- + Less Inertia
- Smaller Workspace
- Coordinated Drive System
- More Complex & \$\$\$



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Symmetrical Parallel Manipulator

A sub-class of Parallel Manipulator:

- # Limbs (m) = # DOF (F)
- The joints are arranged in an identical pattern
- The # and location of actuated joints are the same

Thus:

- Number of Loops (L): One less than # of limbs

$$L = m - 1 = F - 1$$

- Connectivity (C_k)

$$\sum_{k=1}^m C_k = (\lambda + 1) F - \lambda$$

Where: λ : The DOF of the space that the system is in (e.g., $\lambda=6$ for 3D space).



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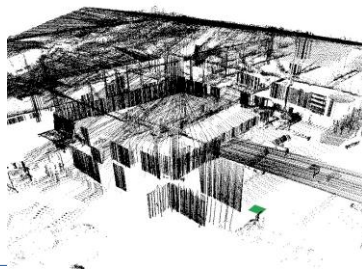
Mobile Platforms

- The preceding kinematic relationships are also important in mobile applications
- When we have sensors mounted on a platform, we need the ability to translate from the sensor frame into some world frame in which the vehicle is operating
- Should we just treat this as a $P(*)$ mechanism?



Mobile Platforms [2]

- We typically assign a frame to the base of the vehicle
- Additional frames are assigned to the sensors
- We will develop these techniques in coming lectures



Summary

- Many ways to view a rotation
 - Rotation matrix
 - Euler angles
 - Quaternions
 - Direction Cosines
 - Screw Vectors
- Homogenous transformations
 - Based on homogeneous coordinates



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