



# Robot Dynamics & Control

METR 4202: Advanced Control & **Robotics**

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## Schedule

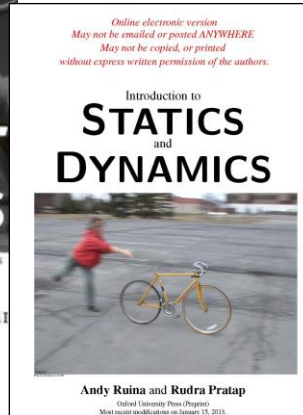
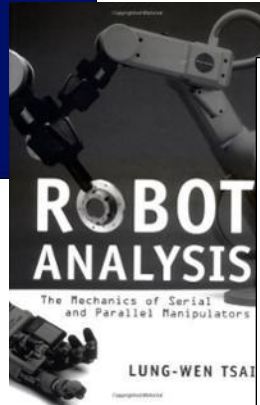
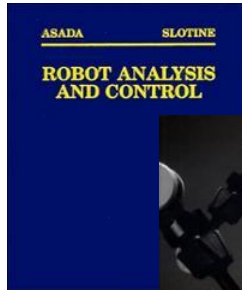
Week	Date	Lecture (W: 11:10-12:40, 24-402)
1	30-Jul	Introduction
2	6-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	13-Aug	Robot Kinematics (& Ekka Day)
4	20-Aug	Robot Dynamics & Control
5	27-Aug	Robot Trajectories & Motion
6	3-Sep	Sensors & Measurement
7	10-Sep	Perception (Computer Vision)
8	17-Sep	Navigation & Localization (+ Prof. M. Srinivasan)
9	24-Sep	Motion Planning + Control
	1-Oct	<i>Study break</i>
10	8-Oct	State-Space Modelling
11	15-Oct	Shaping the Dynamic Response
12	22-Oct	Linear Observers & LQR
13	29-Oct	Applications in Industry & Course Review



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## Reference Material



## Outline

- Denavit Hartenberg Notation
  - Parallel Robots
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- Jacobians & Differential Motion
  - Multibody Dynamics Refresher
  - Newton-Euler Formulation
  - Lagrange Formulation



## 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:  $J = \frac{\delta \mathbf{x}}{\delta \mathbf{q}} \rightarrow \delta \mathbf{q} \approx J^{-1} \delta \mathbf{x}$
  - $J^T$  Approximation:  $\boldsymbol{\tau} = J^T \cdot \mathbf{F} \rightarrow \Delta \mathbf{q} \approx J^T \Delta \mathbf{x}$ 
    - 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



## 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: Algebraic Approach

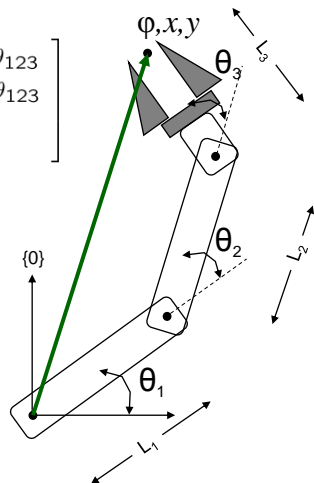
- We have a series of equations which define this system
- Recall, from Forward Kinematics:

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

- 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



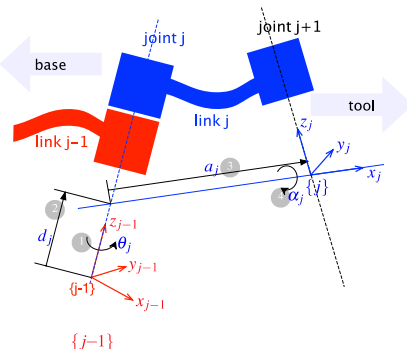
## Denavit Hartenberg [DH] Notation

- 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  $\alpha_i$
  - 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  $\theta_i$



## 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  $\alpha_i$  the angle from the  $z_{i-1}$  axis to the  $z_i$  axis about the  $x_i$  axis;



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- 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  $\theta_i$  the angle between the  $x_{i-1}$  and  $x_i$  axes about the  $z_{i-1}$  axis.



## 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}
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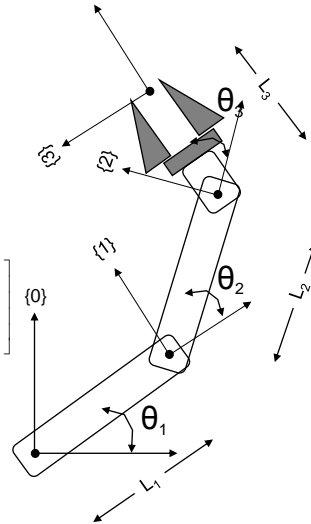
## DH Example [1]: RRR Link Manipulator

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

Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
1	$L_1$	0	0	$\theta_1$
2	$L_2$	0	0	$\theta_2$
3	$L_3$	0	0	$\theta_3$

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

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



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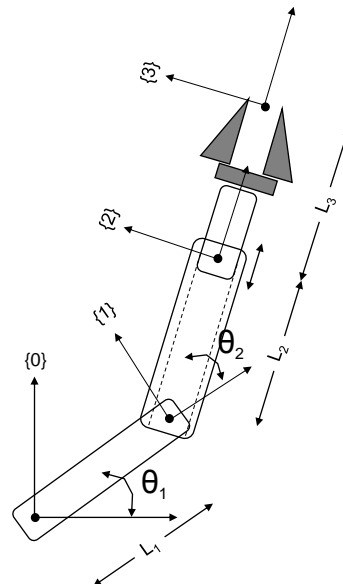
## DH Example [2]: RRP Link Manipulator

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

Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
1	$L_1$	0	0	$\theta_1$
2	$L_2$	0	0	$\theta_2$
3	$L_3$	0	0	0

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

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

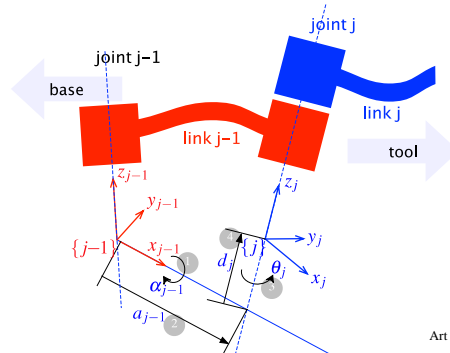


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## Modified DH

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



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

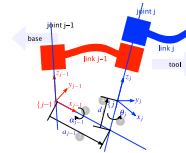


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## Modified DH [2]

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



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

- Refactoring Standard  $\rightarrow$  to Modified

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

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

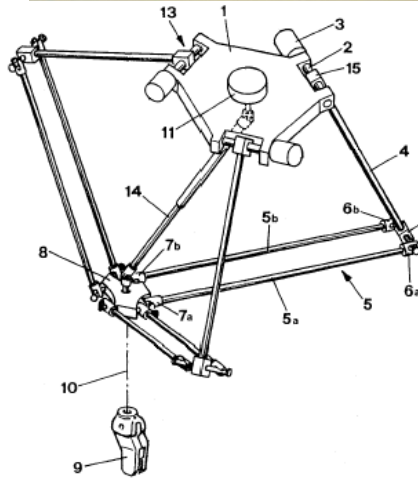


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## Parallel Manipulators



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



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## Robot Dynamics



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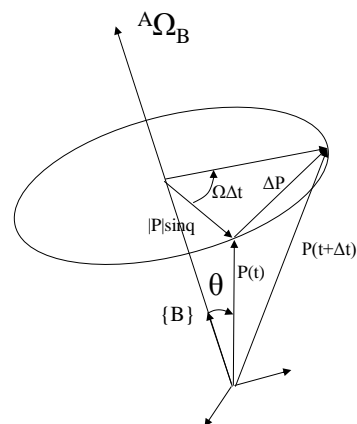
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## Angular Velocity

- If we look at a small timeslice as a frame rotates with a moving point, we find

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Delta \mathbf{P}| &= (|\mathbf{P}| \sin \theta) (|\mathbf{A}\Omega_B| \Delta t) \\
 \frac{|\Delta \mathbf{P}|}{\Delta t} &= (|\mathbf{P}| \sin \theta) (|\mathbf{A}\Omega_B|) \\
 &= \mathbf{A}\Omega_B \times \mathbf{A}\mathbf{P}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}_P = \mathbf{A}\Omega_B \times \mathbf{A}R_B^B \mathbf{P}$$



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## Velocity

- Recall that we can specify a point in one frame relative to another as

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

- Differentiating w/r/t to  $\mathbf{t}$  we find

$$\begin{aligned} {}^A\mathbf{V}_P &= \frac{d}{dt} {}^A\mathbf{P} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{{}^A\mathbf{P}(t + \Delta t) - {}^A\mathbf{P}(t)}{\Delta t} \\ &= {}^A\dot{\mathbf{P}}_B + {}^A\mathbf{R}^B\dot{\mathbf{P}} + {}^A\dot{\mathbf{R}}^B\mathbf{P} \end{aligned}$$

- This can be rewritten as

$${}^A\mathbf{V}_P = {}^A\mathbf{V}_{BORG} + {}^A\mathbf{R}_B^B\mathbf{V}_P + {}^A\boldsymbol{\Omega}_B \times {}^A\mathbf{R}_B^B\mathbf{P}$$



## Skew – Symmetric Matrix

$$\mathbf{V} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_z & \omega_y \\ \omega_z & 0 & -\omega_x \\ -\omega_y & \omega_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{V} = \boldsymbol{\Omega}\mathbf{r}$$



## Velocity Representations

- Euler Angles
  - For Z-Y-X  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\alpha} \\ \dot{\beta} \\ \dot{\gamma} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -S\beta & 0 & 1 \\ C\beta S\gamma & C\gamma & 0 \\ C\beta C\gamma & -S\beta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{pmatrix}$$

- Quaternions

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\epsilon}_0 \\ \dot{\epsilon}_1 \\ \dot{\epsilon}_2 \\ \dot{\epsilon}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 & -\epsilon_2 & -\epsilon_3 \\ \epsilon_0 & \epsilon_3 & -\epsilon_2 \\ -\epsilon_3 & \epsilon_0 & \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 & -\epsilon_1 & \epsilon_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{pmatrix}$$



## Manipulator Velocities

- Consider again the schematic of the planar manipulator shown. We found that the end effector position is given by

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

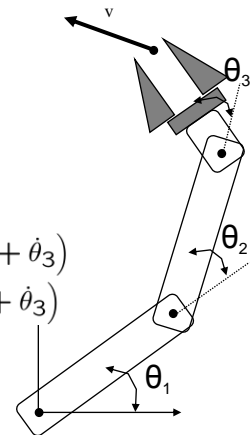
$$y = L_1 \sin \theta_1 + L_2 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2) + L_3 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

- Differentiating w/r/t to t

$$\dot{x} = -L_1 s_1 \dot{\theta}_1 - L_2 s_{12} (\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2) - L_3 s_{123} (\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2 + \dot{\theta}_3)$$

$$\dot{y} = L_1 c_1 \dot{\theta}_1 + L_2 c_{12} (\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2) + L_3 c_{123} (\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2 + \dot{\theta}_3)$$

- This gives the end effector velocity as a function of pose and joint velocities



## Manipulator Velocities [2]

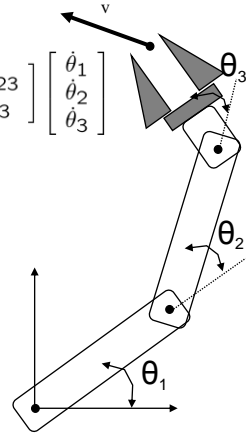
- Rearranging, we can recast this relation in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -L_1 s_1 - L_2 s_{12} - L_3 s_{123} & -L_2 s_{12} - L_3 s_{123} & -L_3 s_{123} \\ L_1 c_1 + L_2 c_{12} + L_3 c_{123} & L_2 c_{12} + L_3 c_{123} & L_3 c_{123} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Or

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta_2} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta_3} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta_2} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta_3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The resulting matrix is called the Jacobian and provides us with a mapping from Joint Space to Cartesian Space.



## Moving On...Differential Motion

- Transformations also encode differential relationships
- Consider a manipulator (say 2DOF, RR)  
 $x(\theta_1, \theta_2) = l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$   
 $y(\theta_1, \theta_2) = l_1 \sin(\theta_1) + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$
- Differentiating with respect to the **angles** gives:

$$dx = \frac{\partial x(\theta_1, \theta_2)}{\partial \theta_1} d\theta_1 + \frac{\partial x(\theta_1, \theta_2)}{\partial \theta_2} d\theta_2$$

$$dy = \frac{\partial y(\theta_1, \theta_2)}{\partial \theta_1} d\theta_1 + \frac{\partial y(\theta_1, \theta_2)}{\partial \theta_2} d\theta_2$$

## Differential Motion [2]

- Viewing this as a matrix  $\rightarrow$  Jacobian

$$d\mathbf{x} = Jd\theta$$

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 \sin(\theta_1) - l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & -l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} [J_1] & [J_2] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v = J_1 \dot{\theta}_1 + J_2 \dot{\theta}_2$$



## Infinitesimal Rotations

- $\cos(d\phi) = 1, \sin(d\phi) = d\phi$

$$\mathbf{R}_x(d\phi) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c d\phi & -s d\phi \\ 0 & s d\phi & c d\phi \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -d\phi_x \\ 0 & d\phi_x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_y(d\phi) = \begin{bmatrix} c d\phi & 0 & s d\phi \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s d\phi & 0 & c d\phi \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & d\phi_y \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -d\phi_y & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_z(d\phi) = \begin{bmatrix} c d\phi & -s d\phi & 0 \\ s d\phi & c d\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -d\phi_z & 0 \\ d\phi_z & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that:

$$R_x(d\phi) R_y(d\phi) = R_y(d\phi) R_x(d\phi)$$

$\rightarrow$  Therefore ... they **commute**



## The Jacobian

- In general, the Jacobian takes the form  
(for example, **joints** and in **i operational space**)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \theta_j} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \theta_j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \theta_j} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{\theta}_j \end{bmatrix}$$

- Or more succinctly

$$\dot{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{J}(\theta)\dot{\theta}$$



## Jacobian [2]

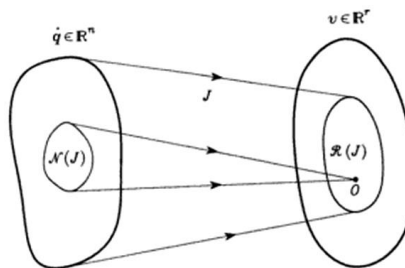


Image: Sciavicco and Siciliano,  
Modelling and Control of Robot  
Manipulators, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed, 2000

- Jacobian can be viewed as a mapping from  
Joint velocity space ( $\dot{q}$ ) to  
Operational velocity space ( $v$ )



## Revisiting The Jacobian

- I told you:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \theta_j} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial \theta_j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \theta_j} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{\theta}_j \end{bmatrix}$$

- True, but we can be more “explicit”



## Jacobian: **Explicit Form**

- For a serial chain (robot): The velocity of a link with respect to the proceeding link is dependent on the type of link that connects them
- If the joint is **prismatic** ( $\epsilon=1$ ), then  $\mathbf{v}_i = \frac{dz}{dt}$
- If the joint is **revolute** ( $\epsilon=0$ ), then  $\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$  (in the  $\hat{k}$  direction)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \mathbf{v} &= \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \epsilon_i \mathbf{v}_i + \bar{\epsilon}_i \left( \omega_i \times \mathbf{p}_{i-1}^i \right) \right) & \omega &= \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{\epsilon}_i \left( \dot{\theta}_i \right) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{\epsilon}_i \mathbf{z}_i \left( \dot{\theta}_i \right) \right) \\ &\rightarrow \mathbf{v} = J_v \dot{\mathbf{q}} & \omega &= J_\omega \dot{\mathbf{q}} \end{aligned}$$

- Combining them (with  $\mathbf{v}=(\Delta x, \Delta \theta)$ )

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} J_v \\ J_\omega \end{bmatrix}$$





## Jacobian: **Explicit Form** [2]

- The overall Jacobian takes the form

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_p}{\partial q_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_p}{\partial q_n} \\ \bar{\varepsilon}_1 z_1 & \dots & \bar{\varepsilon}_1 z_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- The Jacobian for a particular frame (F) can be expressed:

$${}^F J = \begin{bmatrix} {}^F J_v \\ {}^F J_\omega \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial {}^F x_p}{\partial q_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial {}^F x_p}{\partial q_n} \\ \bar{\varepsilon}_1 {}^F z_1 & \dots & \bar{\varepsilon}_1 {}^F z_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Where:  ${}^F \mathbf{z}_i = {}^F R^i \mathbf{z}_i$  &  ${}^i \mathbf{z}_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$



## Dynamics

- We can also consider the forces that are required to achieve a particular motion of a manipulator or other body
- Understanding the way in which motion arises from torques applied by the actuators or from external forces allows us to control these motions
- There are a number of methods for formulating these equations, including
  - Newton-Euler Dynamics
  - Lagrangian Mechanics



## Dynamics of Serial Manipulators

- Systems that keep on manipulating (the system)
- Direct Dynamics:
  - Find the response of a robot arm with torques/forces applied
- Inverse Dynamics:
  - Find the (actuator) torques/forces required to generate a desired trajectory of the manipulator



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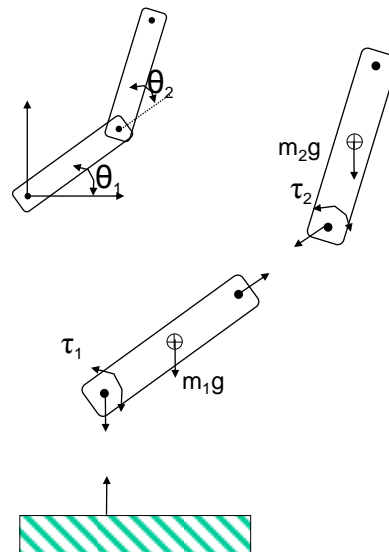
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## Dynamics – Newton-Euler

- In general, we could analyse the dynamics of robotic systems using classical Newtonian mechanics

$$\sum F = m\ddot{x}$$
$$\sum T = J\ddot{\theta}$$

- This can entail iteratively calculating velocities and accelerations for each link and then computing force and moment balances in the system
- Alternatively, closed form solutions may exist for simple configurations



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## Dynamics

- For Manipulators, the general form is

$$\tau = M(\Theta)\ddot{\Theta} + V(\Theta, \dot{\Theta}) + G(\Theta)$$

where

- $\tau$  is a vector of joint torques
- $\Theta$  is the  $n \times 1$  vector of joint angles
- $M(\Theta)$  is the  $n \times n$  mass matrix
- $V(\Theta, \dot{\Theta})$  is the  $n \times 1$  vector of centrifugal and Coriolis terms
- $G(\Theta)$  is an  $n \times 1$  vector of gravity terms
- Notice that all of these terms depend on  $\Theta$  so the dynamics varies as the manipulator move



## Dynamics: Inertia

- The moment of inertia (second moment) of a rigid body B relative to a line L that passes through a reference point O and is parallel to a unit vector  $\mathbf{u}$  is given by:

$$I_u^O = \int_V \mathbf{p} \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{p}) \rho dV$$

$$= \int_V [p^2 \mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{p}] \rho dV$$

- The scalar product of  $I_u^O$  with a second axis ( $\mathbf{w}$ ) is called the product of inertia

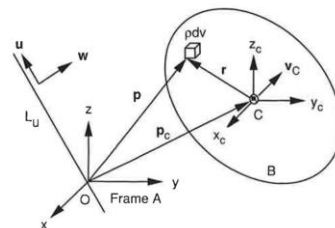
$$I_{uw}^O = I_u^O \cdot \mathbf{w} = \int_V [(u^T \mathbf{w}) p^2 - (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{u}) (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{w})] \rho dV$$

- If  $\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{w}$ , then we get the moment of inertia:

$$I_{uu} = \int_V [p^2 - (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{u})^2] \rho dV = m r_g^2$$

Where:  $\mathbf{r}_g$ : radius of gyration of B w/r/t to L

$$r_g = p^2 - (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{u})^2 = (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{p})^2$$



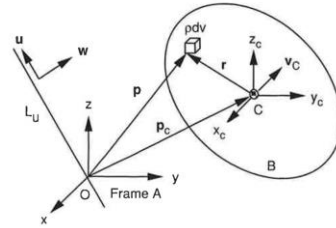
## Dynamics: Mass Matrix & Inertia Matrix

- This can be written in a Matrix form as:

$$I_u^O = I_B^O u$$

- Where  $I_B^O$  is the inertial matrix or inertial tensor of the body B about a reference point O

$$I_B^O = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{yz} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{zx} & I_{zy} & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$



- Where to get  $I_{xx}$ , etc? → Parallel Axis Theorem

If CM is the center of mass, then:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{xx}^O &= I_{xx}^{CM} + m(y_c^2 + z_c^2) & I_{xy}^O &= I_{xx}^{CM} + m x_c y_c \\ I_{yy}^O &= I_{yy}^{CM} + m(x_c^2 + z_c^2) & I_{yz}^O &= I_{xx}^{CM} + m y_c z_c \\ I_{zz}^O &= I_{zz}^{CM} + m(x_c^2 + y_c^2) & I_{zx}^O &= I_{xx}^{CM} + m z_c x_c \end{aligned}$$



## Dynamics: Mass Matrix

- The Mass Matrix: Determining via the Jacobian!

$$K = \sum_{i=1}^N K_i$$

$$K_i = \frac{1}{2} (m_i v_{C_i}^T v_{C_i} + \omega_i^T I_{C_i} \omega_i)$$

$$v_{C_i} = J_{v_i} \dot{\theta} \quad J_{v_i} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial p_{C_1}}{\partial \theta_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial p_{C_i}}{\partial \theta_i} & \underbrace{0}_{i+1} & \cdots & \underbrace{0}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\omega_i = J_{\omega_i} \dot{\theta} \quad J_{\omega_i} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\epsilon}_1 Z_1 & \cdots & \bar{\epsilon}_i Z_i & \underbrace{0}_{i+1} & \cdots & \underbrace{0}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore M = \sum_{i=1}^N (m_i J_{v_i}^T J_{v_i} + J_{\omega_i}^T I_{C_i} J_{\omega_i})$$

! M is symmetric, positive definite  $\therefore m_{ij} = m_{ji}, \dot{\theta}^T M \dot{\theta} > 0$



## Dynamics – Langrangian Mechanics

- Alternatively, we can use Langrangian Mechanics to compute the dynamics of a manipulator (or other robotic system)
- The Langrangian is defined as the difference between the Kinetic and Potential energy in the system
- Using this formulation and the concept of virtual work we can find the forces and torques acting on the system.
- This may seem more involved but is often easier to formulate for complex systems

$$L = K - P$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{x}}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

$$\tau = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta}$$



## Dynamics – Langrangian Mechanics [2]

$L = K - P$ ;  $\dot{\theta}$ : Generalized Velocities,  $M$ : Mass Matrix

$$\tau = \sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial K}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) - \frac{\partial K}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial \theta}$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^T M(\theta) \dot{\theta}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial K}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^T M(\theta) \dot{\theta} \right) \right) = \frac{d}{dt} (M \dot{\theta}) = M \ddot{\theta} + \dot{M} \dot{\theta}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial K}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) - \frac{\partial K}{\partial \theta} = [M \ddot{\theta} + \dot{M} \dot{\theta}] - \left[ \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^T \frac{\partial M}{\partial \theta} \dot{\theta} \right] = M \ddot{\theta} + \underbrace{\dot{M} \dot{\theta} - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \dot{\theta}^T \frac{\partial M}{\partial \theta_1} \dot{\theta} \right]}_{\mathbf{v}(\theta, \dot{\theta})}$$

$$\mathbf{v}(\theta, \dot{\theta}) = \underbrace{C(\theta) [\dot{\theta}^2]}_{\text{Centrifugal}} + \underbrace{B(\theta) [\dot{\theta} \dot{\theta}]}_{\text{Coriolis}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = M(\theta) \ddot{\theta} + \mathbf{v}(\theta, \dot{\theta}) + \mathbf{g}(\theta)$$



## Dynamics – Langrangian Mechanics [3]

- The Mass Matrix: Determining via the Jacobian!

$$K = \sum_{i=1}^N K_i$$

$$K_i = \frac{1}{2} (m_i v_{C_i}^T v_{C_i} + \omega_i^T I_{C_i} \omega_i)$$

$$v_{C_i} = J_{v_i} \dot{\theta} \quad J_{v_i} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}_{C_1}}{\partial \theta_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}_{C_i}}{\partial \theta_i} & \underbrace{0}_{i+1} & \cdots & \underbrace{0}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\omega_i = J_{\omega_i} \dot{\theta} \quad J_{\omega_i} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\varepsilon}_1 Z_1 & \cdots & \bar{\varepsilon}_i Z_i & \underbrace{0}_{i+1} & \cdots & \underbrace{0}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore M = \sum_{i=1}^N (m_i J_{v_i}^T J_{v_i} + J_{\omega_i}^T I_{C_i} J_{\omega_i})$$

! M is symmetric, positive definite  $\therefore m_{ij} = m_{ji}, \dot{\theta}^T M \dot{\theta} > 0$



## Generalized Coordinates

- A significant feature of the Lagrangian Formulation is that any convenient coordinates can be used to derive the system.
- Go from Joint  $\rightarrow$  Generalized

– Define  $\mathbf{p}$ :  $d\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{J}d\mathbf{q}$

$$\mathbf{q} = [q_1 \quad \cdots \quad q_n] \rightarrow \mathbf{p} = [p_1 \quad \cdots \quad p_n]$$

$\rightarrow$  Thus: the kinetic energy and gravity terms become

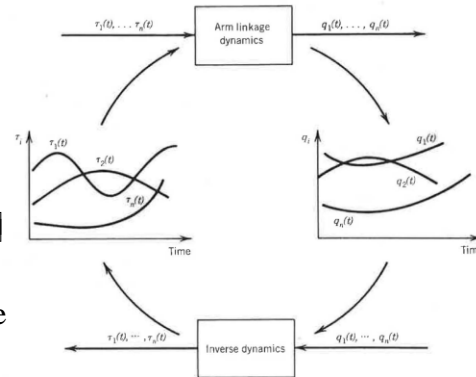
$$KE = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{p}}^T \mathbf{H}^* \dot{\mathbf{p}} \quad \mathbf{G}^* = (\mathbf{J}^{-1})^T \mathbf{G}$$

$$\text{where: } \mathbf{H}^* = (\mathbf{J}^{-1})^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{J}^{-1}$$



## Inverse Dynamics

- Forward dynamics governs the dynamic responses of a manipulator arm to the input torques generated by the actuators.
- The inverse problem:
  - Going from joint angles to torques
  - Inputs are desired trajectories described as functions of time  
 $\mathbf{q} = [q_1 \ \dots \ q_n] \rightarrow [\theta_1(t) \ \theta_2(t) \ \theta_3(t)]$
  - Outputs are joint torques to be applied at each instance  
 $\boldsymbol{\tau} = [\tau_1 \ \dots \ \tau_n]$
- Computation “big” (6DOF arm: 66,271 multiplications), but not scary (4.5 ms on PDP11/45)



Graphic from Asada & Slotinep. 119

## Also: Inverse Jacobian

- In many instances, we are also interested in computing the set of joint velocities that will yield a particular velocity at the end effector

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \mathbf{J}(\boldsymbol{\theta})^{-1} \dot{\mathbf{X}}$$

- We must be aware, however, that the inverse of the Jacobian may be undefined or singular. The points in the workspace at which the Jacobian is undefined are the *singularities* of the mechanism.
- Singularities typically occur at the workspace boundaries or at interior points where degrees of freedom are lost

## Inverse Jacobian Example

- For a simple two link RR manipulator:

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

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

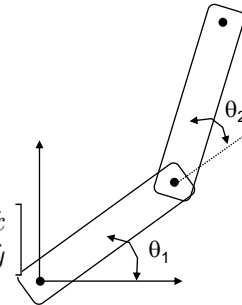
- The Jacobian for this is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -L_1 s_1 - L_2 s_{12} & -L_2 s_{12} \\ L_1 c_1 + L_2 c_{12} & L_2 c_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Taking the inverse of the Jacobian yields

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{L_1 L_2 s_2} \begin{bmatrix} L_2 c_{12} & L_2 s_{12} \\ -L_1 c_1 - L_2 c_{12} & -L_1 s_1 - L_2 s_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Clearly, as  $\theta_2$  approaches 0 or  $\pi$  this manipulator becomes singular



## Static Forces

- We can also use the Jacobian to compute the joint torques required to maintain a particular force at the end effector

- Consider the concept of virtual work

$$F \cdot \delta \mathbf{X} = \tau \cdot \delta \theta$$

- Or

$$F^T \delta \mathbf{X} = \tau^T \delta \theta$$

- Earlier we saw that

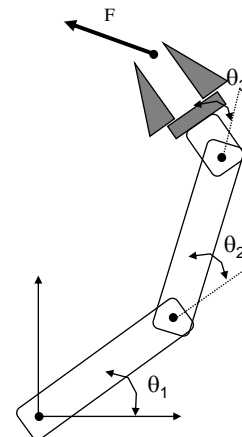
$$\delta \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{J} \delta \theta$$

- So that

$$F^T \mathbf{J} = \tau^T$$

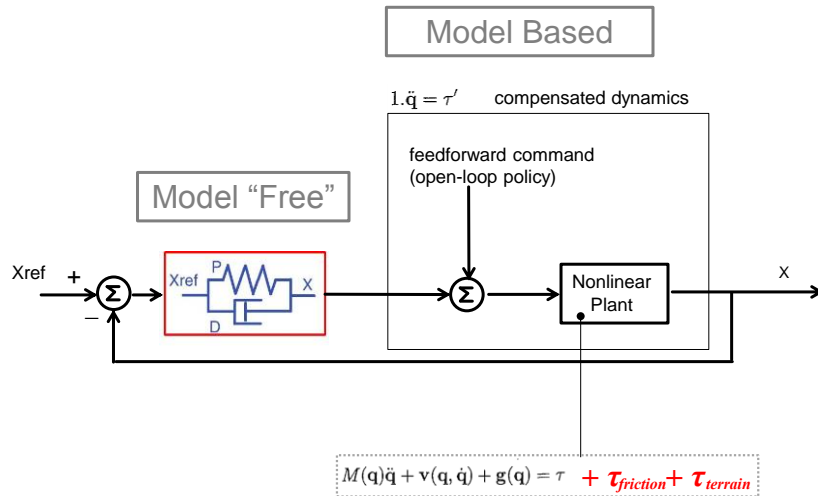
- Or

$$\tau = \mathbf{J}^T F$$





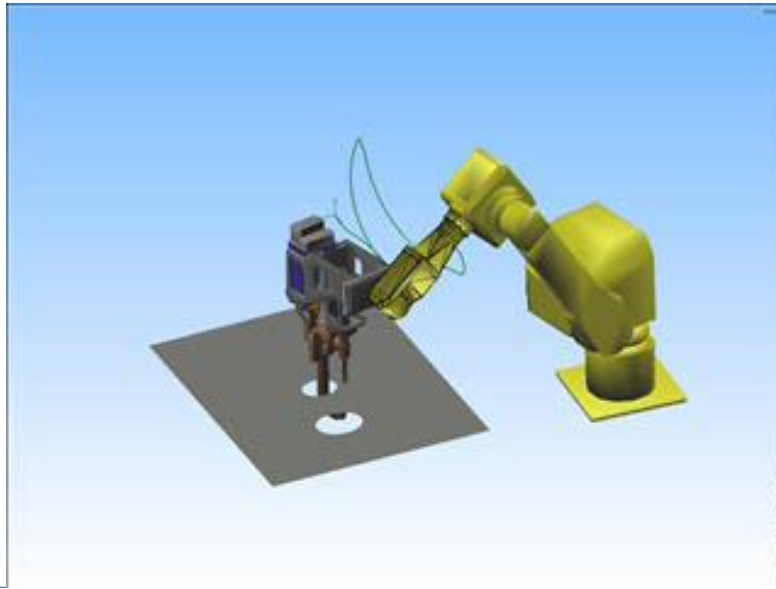
## Operation Space (Computed Torque)



## Compensated Manipulation

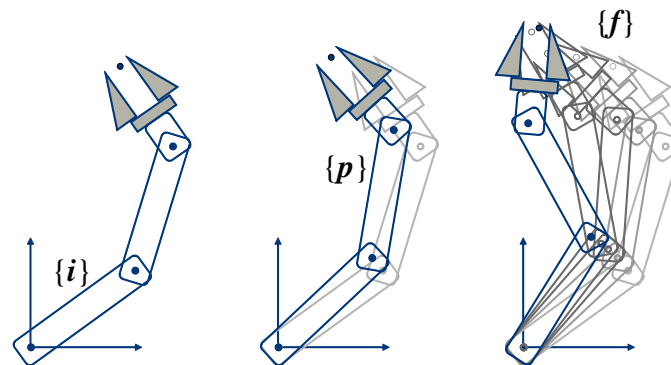


## Trajectory Generation & Planning



## Trajectory Generation

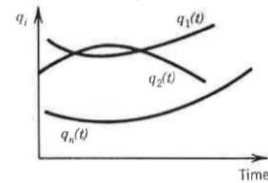
- The goal is to get from an initial position  $\{i\}$  to a final position  $\{f\}$  via a path points  $\{p\}$



## Joint Space

Consider only the **joint positions** as a function of time

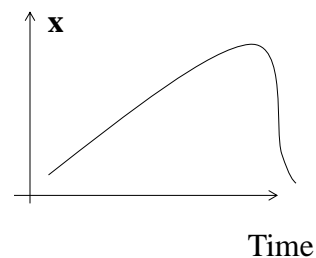
- + Since we control the joints, this is more direct
- -- If we want to follow a particular trajectory, not easy
  - at best lots of intermediate points
  - No guarantee that you can solve the Inverse Kinematics for all path points



## Cartesian Workspace

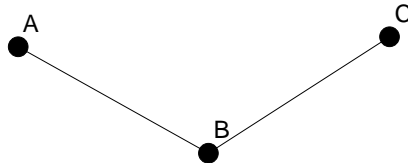
Consider the **Cartesian positions** as a function of time

- + Can track shapes exactly
- -- We need to solve the inverse kinematics and dynamics

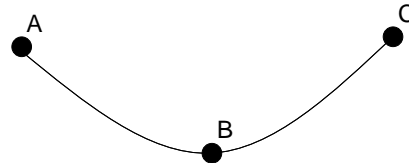


## Polynomial Trajectories

- Straight line Trajectories
- Polynomial Trajectories



- Simpler



$$u(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3$$

- Parabolic blends are smoother
- Use “pseudo via points”



## Summary

- Kinematics is the study of motion without regard to the forces that create it
- Kinematics is important in many instances in Robotics
- The study of dynamics allows us to understand the forces and torques which act on a system and result in motion
- Understanding these motions, and the required forces, is essential for designing these systems



## Dynamic Simulation Software



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