



# Introduction to Robotics

METR 4202: **Robotics** & Automation

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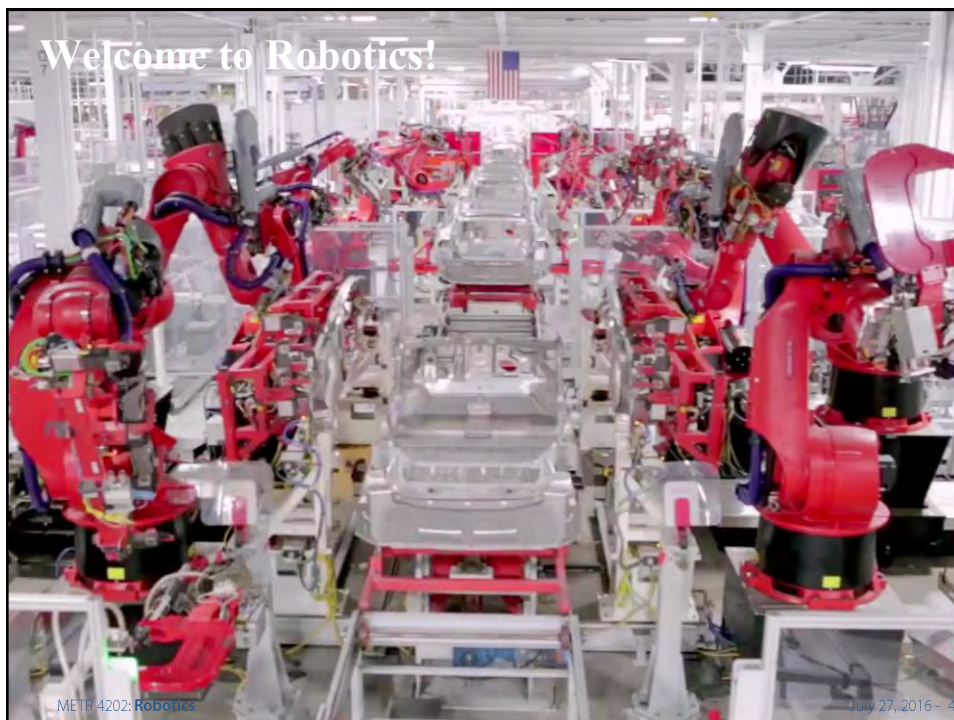
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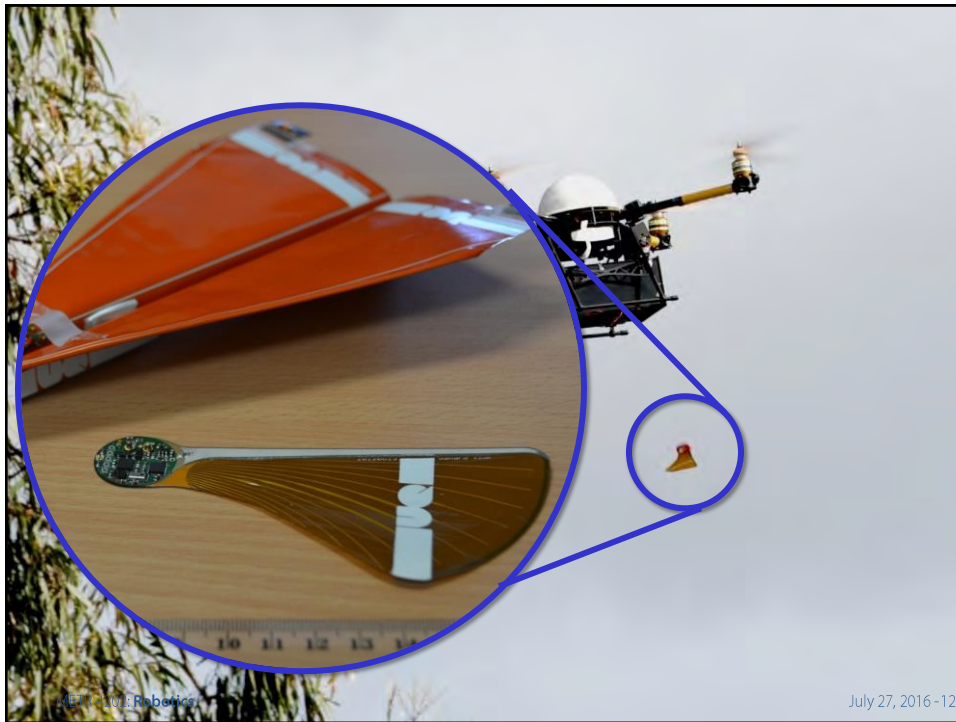


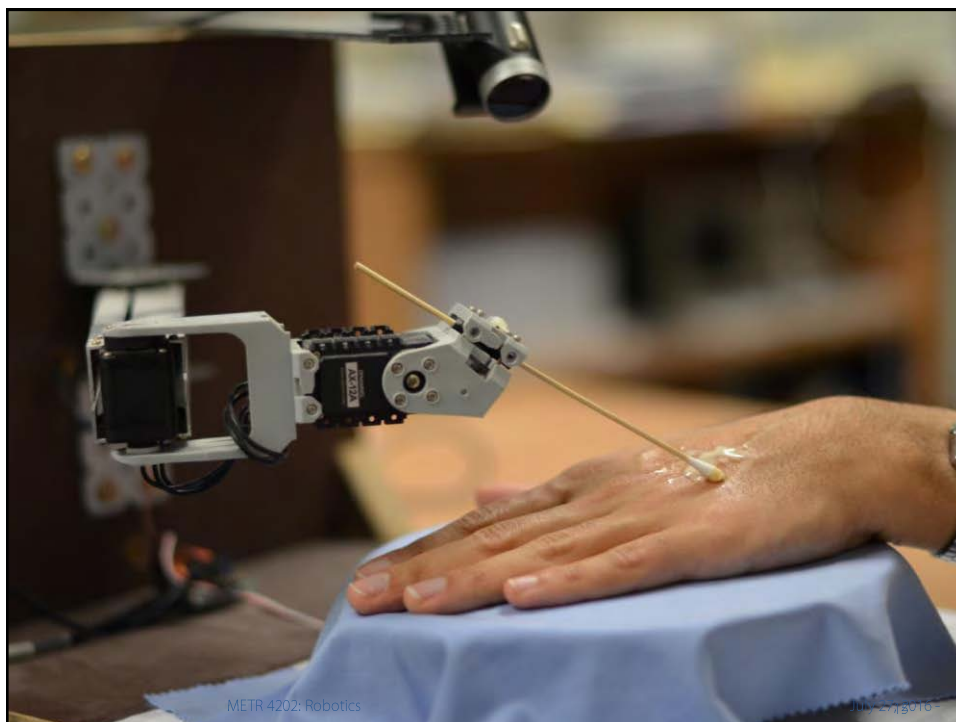
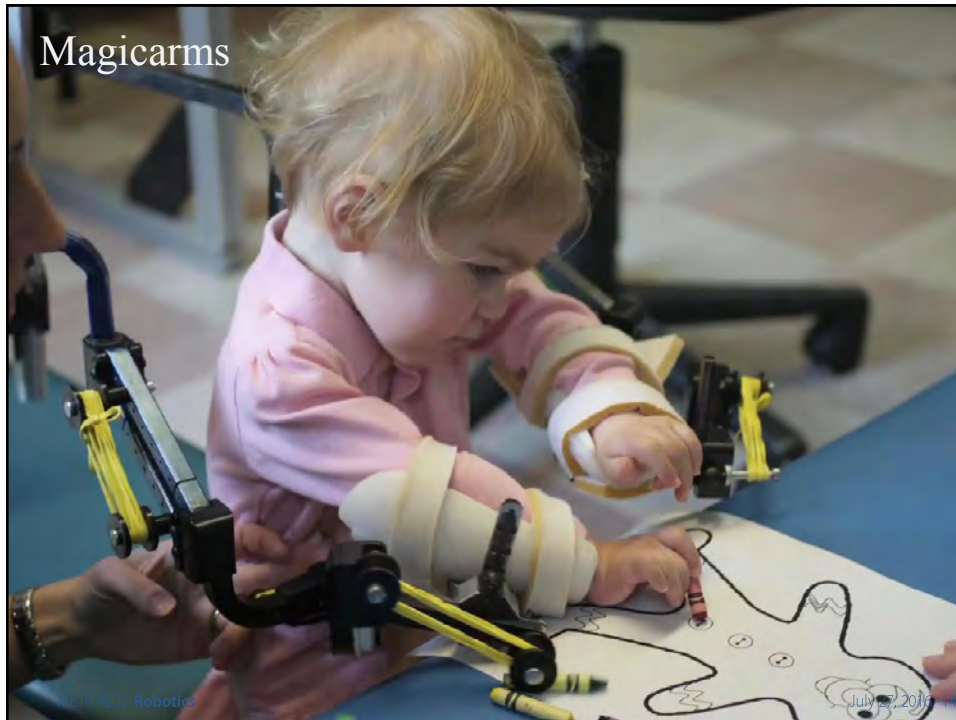




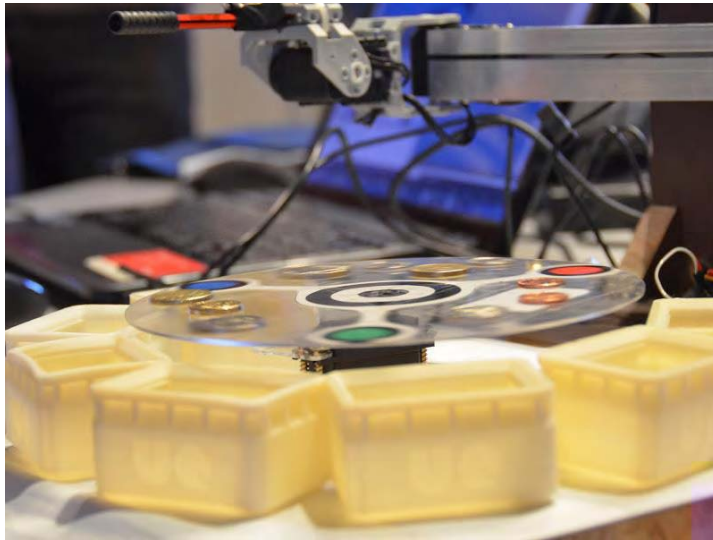








## Change. The Future!



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## Win. The (DARPA Robotics) Challenge!



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## Robotics & Automation Has Limits Too



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## Cars: Software/Robots With 4 Wheels

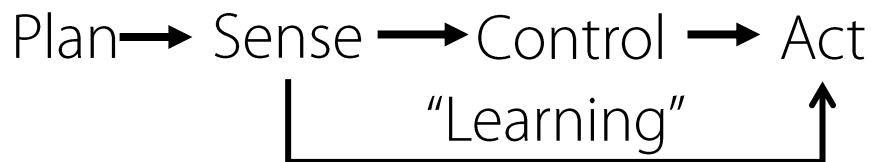


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## So *What is a Robot* ?????

- A “Smart” Machine ...
- A “General Purpose” (Adaptive) “Smart” Machine...



## Robotics Definition

- Many, depends on context...

“A robot is a reprogrammable, multifunctional manipulator designed to move material, parts, tools, or specialized devices through variable programmed motions for the performance of a variety of tasks.”

(Robotics Institute of America)

It is a machine which has some ability to interact with physical objects and to be given electronic programming to do a specific task or to do a whole range of tasks or actions.

(Wikipedia)

Programmable electro-mechanical systems that adapt to identify and leverage a **structural characteristic** of the environment

(Surya)



## Types of Robotics Systems

- Manipulators



- Mobile



- Adaptive



### Enabling Mathematics:

- Computational Kinematics
- Operational Space

- Behaviour based “Reflexive” control rules

- Probabilistic methods



## Types of Robotics Systems → Textbooks

- Manipulators



- Roth
- Craig
- S&S
- Asada & Slotine
- Tsai

- Mobile



- Corke
- Dillman
- Choset, Thrun, *et al.*
- [SLAM]

- Adaptive



- LaValle
- Thrun
- [ [Model] **Predictive Operations** ]





## Schedule of Events

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## Assessment

- Kinematics Lab (12.5%):
  - Proprioception
  - Arm design and operation (with Lego)
- Sensing & Control Lab (25%):
  - Exterioception
  - Camera operation and calibration (with a Kinect)
- Advanced Controls & Robotics Systems Lab (50%):
  - All together!
- **Exam** (Open-Book/closed Internet/Friends! -- 12.5%) ☺



## Lectures

- Wednesdays from 12:05 – 1:50 pm
- Lectures will be posted to the course website **after** the lecture (so please attend)
  - Slides are like dessert – enjoy afterwards!
- Please ask questions  
(preferably about the material ☺)

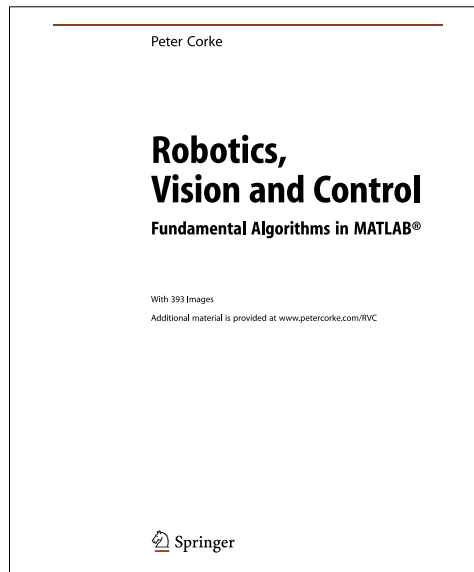


## Tutorials & Labs

- Labs:
  - Thursdays from 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm
  - **xor** Mondays from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
  - in the Axon Learning Lab (47-104)
  - Meeting Weeks 2-9 (**not this week!**)
- Tutorials:
  - Fridays 11:00 – 11:50 am
  - in the Axon Learning Lab (47-104)
  - Meeting: Weeks 1-13 (day after tomorrow!)



## Textbook



*Robotics, Vision and  
Control Fundamental  
Algorithms in MATLAB*

By:  
Peter Corke

Available online (on  
campus) via SpringerLink



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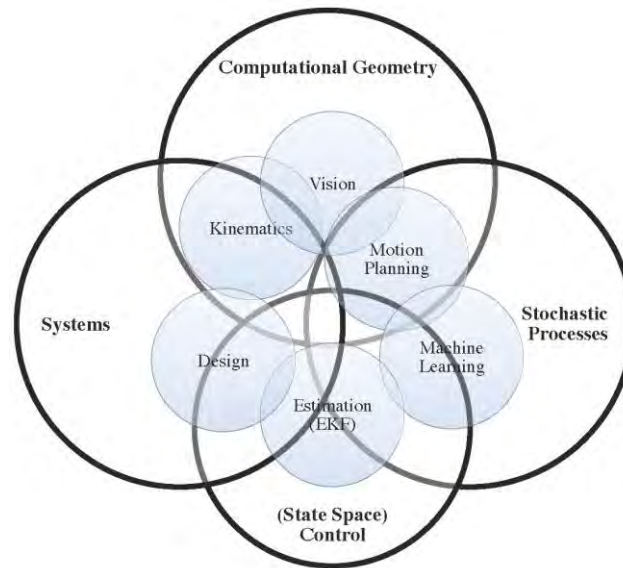


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## Course Organization



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## The Point of the Course

- Introduction to terminology/semantics
- An appreciation of how to frame problems in an engineering context
- Modeling and learning to trust the model
- Ability to identify critical details from the problem (separate information from trivia)



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## Course Objectives

1. Be familiar with sensor technologies relevant to robotic systems
2. Understand homogeneous transformations and be able to apply them to robotic systems,
3. Understand conventions used in robot kinematics and dynamics
4. Understand the dynamics of mobile robotic systems and how they are modelled
5. Understand state-space and its applications to the control of structured systems (e.g., manipulator arms)
6. Have implemented sensing and control algorithms on a practical robotic system
7. Apply a systematic approach to the design process for robotic system
8. Understand the practical application of robotic systems in to intelligent mechatronics applications (e.g., manufacturing, automobile systems and assembly systems)
9. Develop the capacity to think creatively and independently about new design problems; and,
10. Undertake independent research and analysis and to think creatively about engineering problems.



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## Grade Descriptors

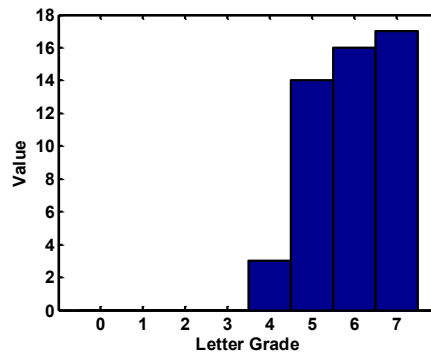
Grade	Level	Descriptor
Fail	(<50%)	<b>Work not of acceptable standard.</b> Work may fail for any or all of the following reasons: unacceptable level of paraphrasing; irrelevance of content; presentation, grammar or structure so sloppy it cannot be understood; submitted very late without extension; not meeting the University's values with regards to academic honesty.
Pass	(50-64%)	<b>Work of acceptable standard.</b> Work meets basic requirements in terms of reading and research and demonstrates a reasonable understanding of subject matter. Able to solve relatively simple problems involving direct application of particular components of the unit of study.
Credit	(65-74%)	<b>Competent work.</b> Evidence of extensive reading and initiative in research, sound grasp of subject matter and appreciation of key issues and context. Engages critically and creatively with the question and attempts an analytical evaluation of material. Goes beyond solving of simple problems to seeing how material in different parts of the unit of study relate to each other by solving problems drawing on concepts and ideas from other parts of the unit of study.
Distinction	(75-84%)	<b>Work of superior standard.</b> Work demonstrates initiative in research, complex understanding and original analysis of subject matter and its context, both empirical and theoretical; shows critical understanding of the principles and values underlying the unit of study.
High Distinction	(85%+)	<b>Work of exceptional standard.</b> Work demonstrates initiative and ingenuity in research, pointed and critical analysis of material, thoroughness of design, and innovative interpretation of evidence. Demonstrates a comprehensive understanding of the unit of study material and its relevance in a wider context.



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## Last Year's Grade Statistics



- ~ 67 % received D or HD
- Worry about **learning**, not about marks [Seriously!]
- Though a “7” might be bit more exclusive this year!



## What I expect from you

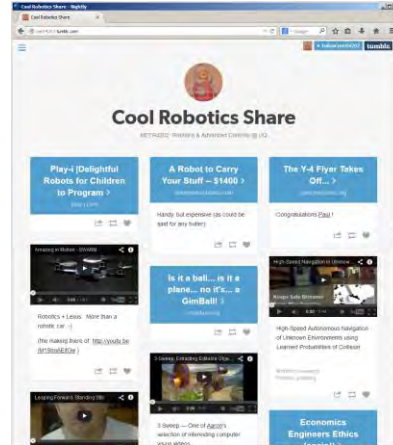
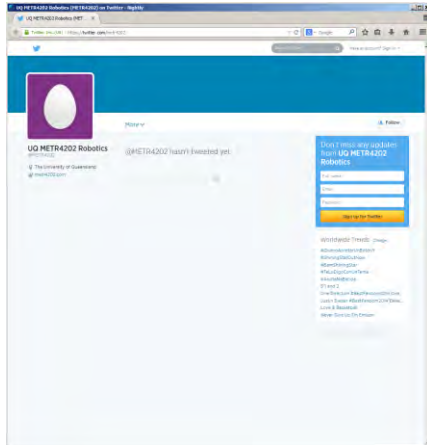
- Lectures:
  - Participate - ask questions
  - Turn up (hence the attendance marks)
  - Take an interest in the material being presented
- Tutorials:
  - Work on questions before tutorials
  - Use tutorials to clarify and enhance
  - Assignments to be submitted on time





## Twitter & Tumblr too!

- <https://twitter.com/metr4202>
- <http://metr4202.tumblr.com/>



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# What's the Magic?



# Structure!

## (And Some Clever Mechatronics Design)

Robotics: Exploiting the hidden structure...

- Robot working in an “unstructured” environment
- ➔ Does not have to be dirty to use “field robotics” technology ...
- ➔ Robotics is about exploiting the **structure** ...  
Either by:
  - Putting it in from the design  
(mechanical structure)
  - “Learning” it as the system progresses  
(structure is the data!)



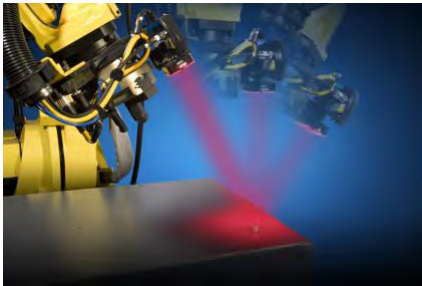


# **First Let's Review the Sense → Control → Act Loop!**



## **Sensing**

## Perception: Vision



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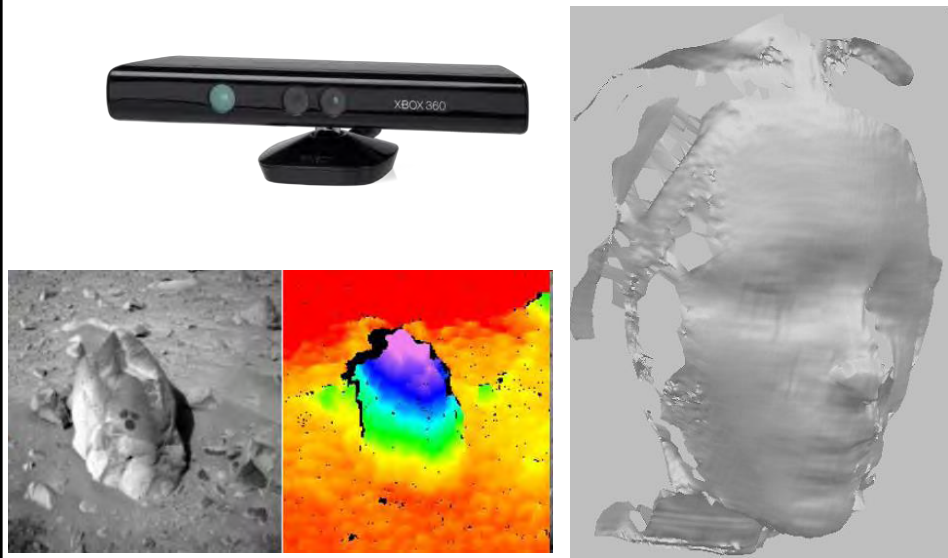
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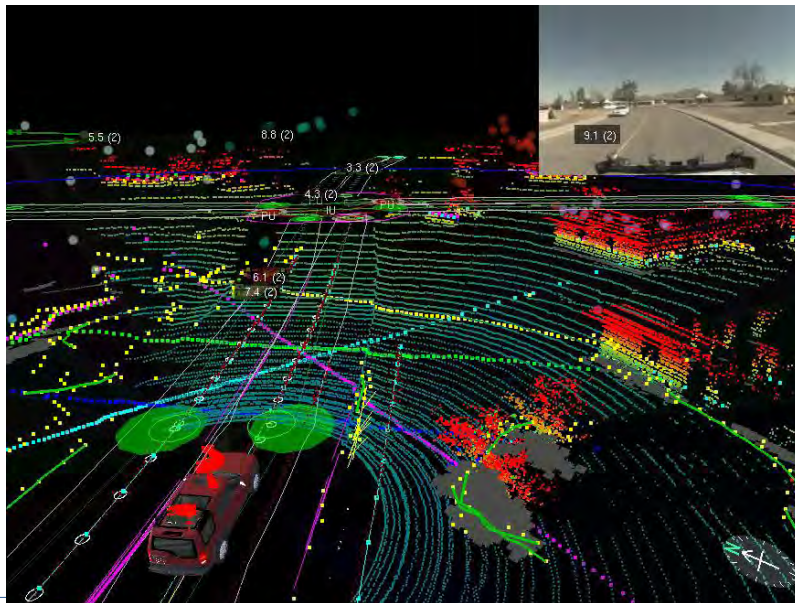
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## 3D Stereo Vision



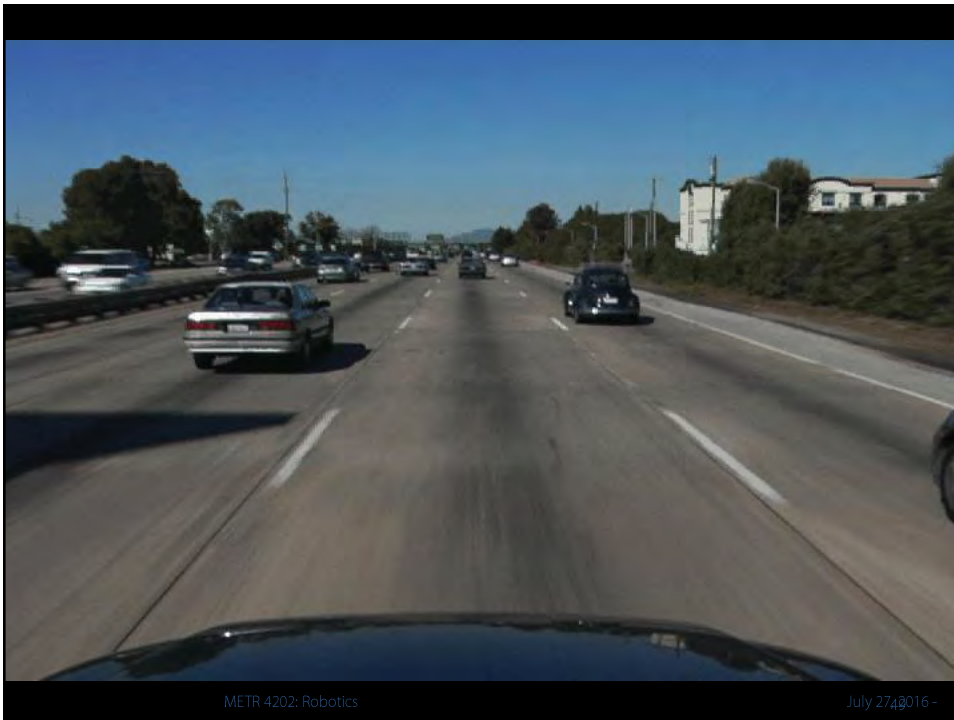
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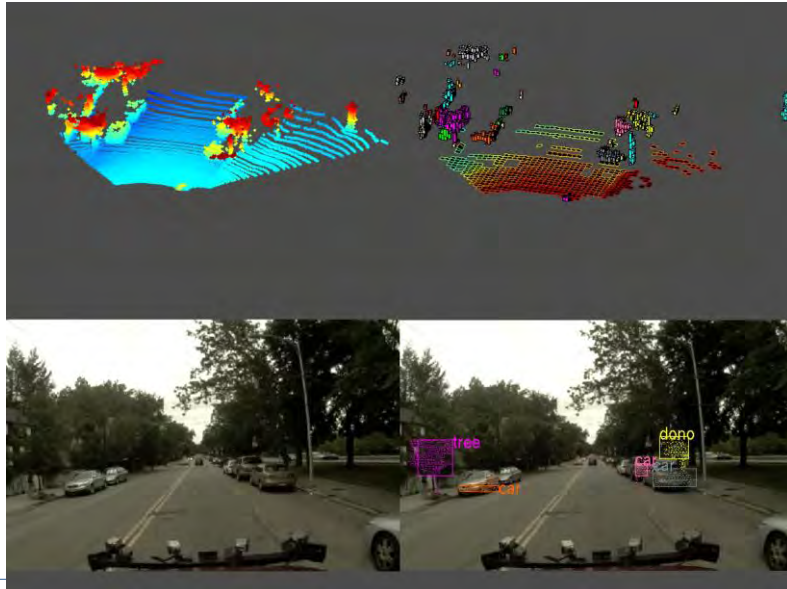




# Control (Processing) ...



## Environment Understanding



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## Honda Asimov Humanoid



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# Act(ion)

## Robot Sniper Training Robots





# Extending Our Reach...

(what's hard is not what you expect...)

## Throwing and Catching



## Making Iced Tea



## People and Robots?



<http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/image/4560736-4x3-340x255.jpg>



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## People & Robots: Let Each Do Its Best!

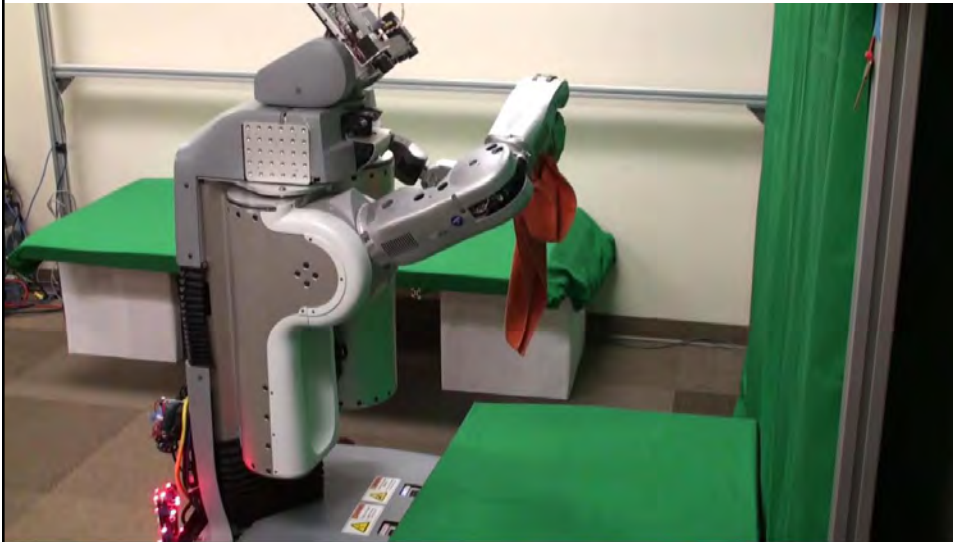


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## Shirt-Folding (30x speed up)...



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## Shirt-Folding (1/3 Speed!)



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## Parallel-Parking...



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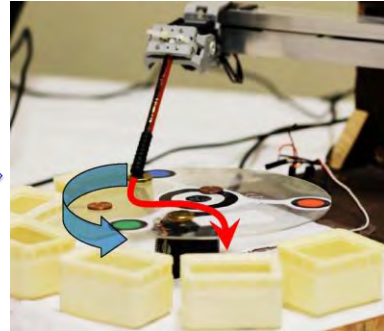
## Parallel Parking...



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First thing about structure  
→ **Space**





# Representing Position & Orientation & State

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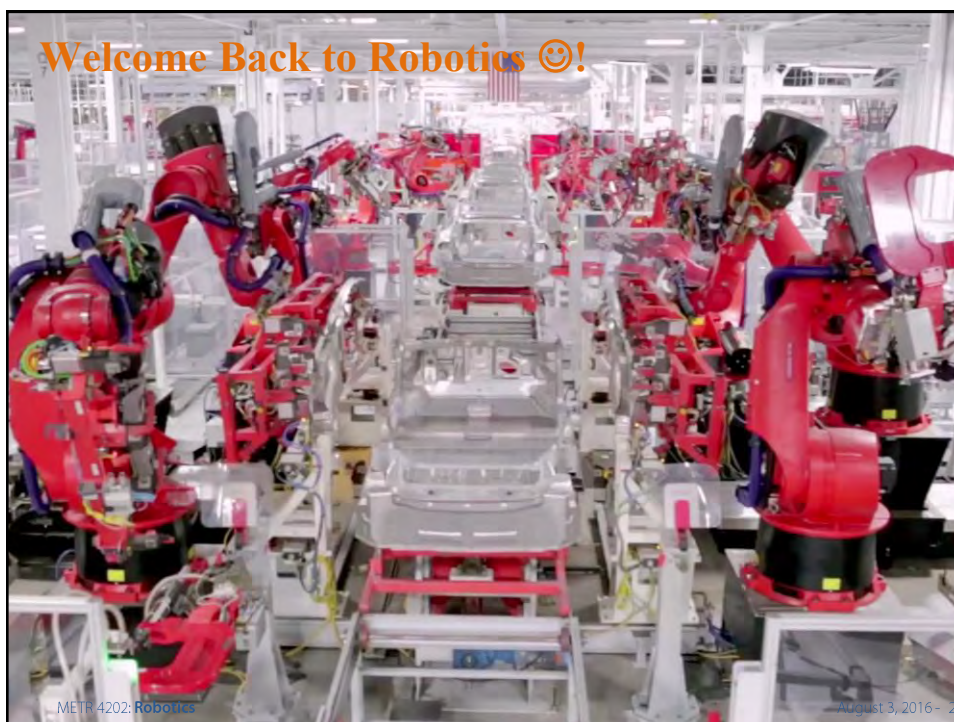
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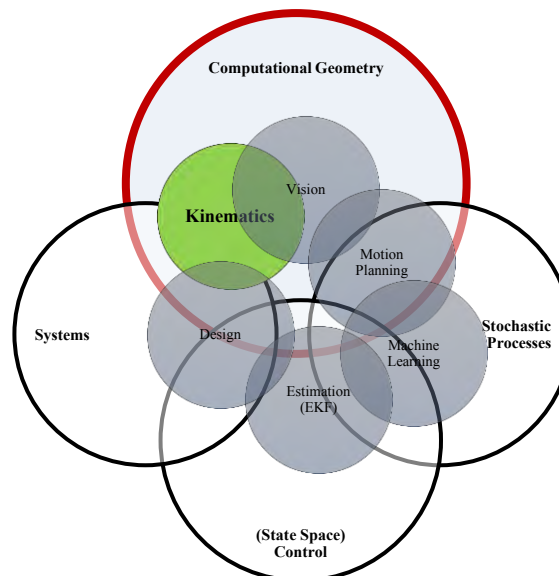


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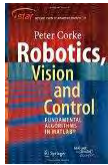
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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

[UQ Library eBook:](#)  
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Today

### → Representing Position ←

- RVC
  - Ch. 2: Representing Position & Orientation

- Kinematics
  - RVC
  - Chapter 7: Robot Arm Kinematics

Next Time



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## The Project! “Robotics: Domino Effect”



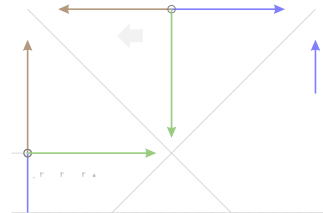
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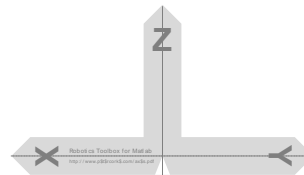
## Today's Lecture is about: Frames & Their Mathematics

- Make one (online):

- SpnS Template



- Peter Corke's template



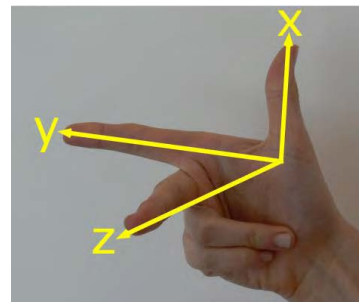
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## Don't Confuse a Frame with a Point

- Points
  - Position Only –
  - Doesn't Encode Orientation

- Frame
  - Encodes both position and orientation
  - Has a "handedness"

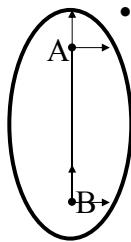


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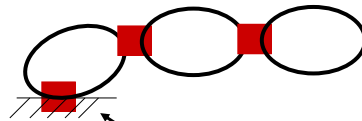
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## Kinematics Definition

- **Kinematics**: The study of motion in space (without regard to the forces which cause it)



- Assume:
  - Points with ***right-hand Frames***
  - *Rigid-bodies* in 3D-space (6-dof)
  - **1-dof joints**: Rotary (R) or Prismatic (P) (5 constraints)



N links  
M joints  
 $\rightarrow \text{DOF} = 6N - 5M$   
 $\rightarrow \text{If } N=M, \text{ then } \text{DOF}=N.$

The ground is also a link



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## Kinematics

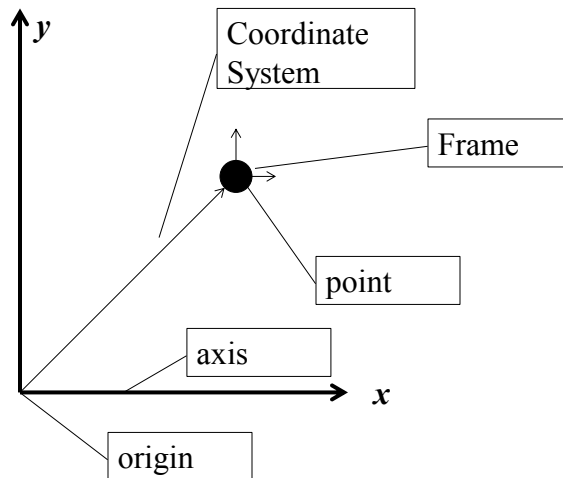
- Kinematic modelling is one of the most important analytical tools of robotics.
- Used for modelling mechanisms, actuators and sensors
- Used for on-line control and off-line programming and simulation
- In mobile robots kinematic models are used for:
  - steering (control, simulation)
  - perception (image formation)
  - sensor head and communication antenna pointing
  - world modelling (maps, object models)
  - terrain following (control feedforward)
  - gait control of legged vehicles



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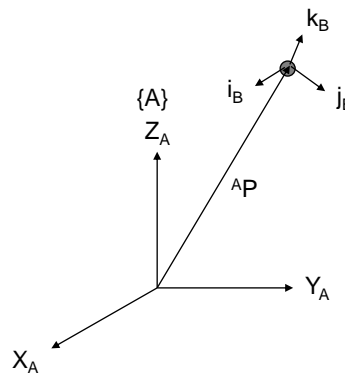
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## Basic Terminology



## Coordinate System

- The position and orientation as specified only make sense with respect to some coordinate system





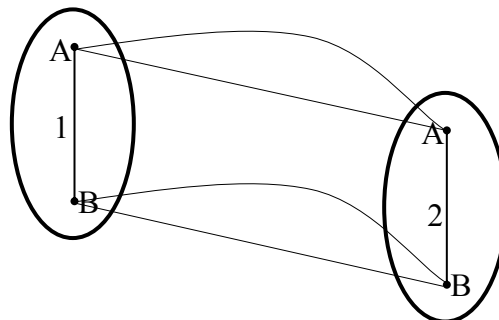
## Frames of Reference

- A frame of reference defines a coordinate system relative to some point in space
- It can be specified by a position and orientation relative to other frames
- The *inertial frame* is taken to be a point that is assumed to be fixed in space
- Two types of motion:
  - Translation
  - Rotation



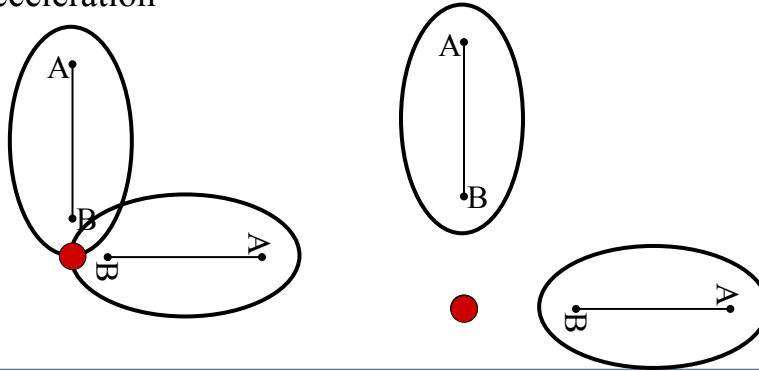
## Translation

- A motion in which a straight line within the body keeps the same direction during the
  - **Rectilinear Translation:** Along straight lines
  - **Curvilinear Translation:** Along curved lines



## Rotation

- The particles forming the rigid body move in parallel planes along circles centered around the same fixed axis (called the **axis of rotation**).
- Points on the axis of rotation have zero velocity and acceleration

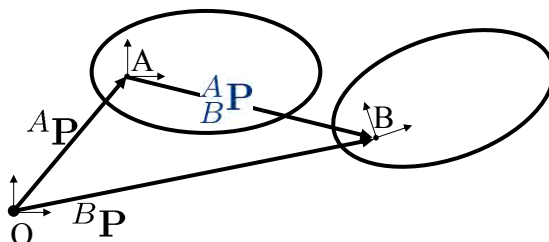


## Rotation: Representations

- Orientation are not “Cartesian”
  - Non-commutative
  - Multiple representations
- Some representations:
  - **Rotation Matrices**: Homogenous Coordinates
  - Euler Angles: 3-sets of rotations in sequence
  - Quaternions: a 4-parameter representation that exploits  $\frac{1}{2}$  angle properties
  - Screw-vectors (from Charles Theorem) : a canonical representation, its reciprocal is a “wrench” (forces)

## Position and Orientation [1]

- A **position** vectors specifies the location of a **point** in 3D (Cartesian) space



$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \end{bmatrix}$$

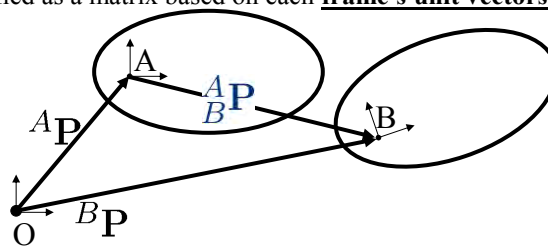
$${}^A\mathbf{P} + {}^A\mathbf{P}^B - {}^B\mathbf{P} = 0$$

$${}^A\mathbf{P}^B = {}^A\mathbf{P}_B = {}^A_B\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B p_x \\ {}^B p_y \\ {}^B p_z \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} {}^A p_x \\ {}^A p_y \\ {}^A p_z \end{bmatrix}$$

- BUT we **also** concerned with its orientation in 3D space.  
This is specified as a matrix based on each **frame's unit vectors**

## Position and Orientation [2]

- Orientation in 3D space:  
This is specified as a matrix based on each **frame's unit vectors**



- Describes {B} relative to {A}  
→ The orientation of frame {B} relative to coordinate frame {A}
- Written "from {A} to {B}" or "given {A} getting to {B}"

$${}^A\mathbf{R}_B = {}^A_B\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A\hat{i}_B & {}^A\hat{j}_B & {}^A\hat{k}_B \end{bmatrix}$$

- Columns** are **{B} written in {A}**

## Position and Orientation [3]



- The rotations can be analysed based on the unit components ...
- That is: the components of the orientation matrix are the unit vectors projected **onto** the unit directions of the reference frame

$${}^A_B\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} {}^A_B\mathbf{R} \\ (a_x)\hat{i}_A \\ (a_y)\hat{j}_A \\ (a_z)\hat{k}_A \end{array} \begin{array}{c} (b_x)\hat{i}_B \quad (b_y)\hat{j}_B \quad (b_z)\hat{k}_B \\ \hline \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} \hat{i}_B \cdot \hat{i}_A & \hat{j}_B \cdot \hat{i}_A & \hat{k}_B \cdot \hat{i}_A \\ \hat{i}_B \cdot \hat{j}_A & \hat{j}_B \cdot \hat{j}_A & \hat{k}_B \cdot \hat{j}_A \\ \hat{i}_B \cdot \hat{k}_A & \hat{j}_B \cdot \hat{k}_A & \hat{k}_B \cdot \hat{k}_A \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$



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## Position and Orientation [4]

- Rotation is orthonormal

$$\begin{array}{c} {}^A_B\mathbf{R} \\ (a_x)\hat{i}_A \\ (a_y)\hat{j}_A \\ (a_z)\hat{k}_A \end{array} \begin{array}{c} (b_x)\hat{i}_B \quad (b_y)\hat{j}_B \quad (b_z)\hat{k}_B \\ \hline \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} \hat{i}_B \cdot \hat{i}_A & \hat{j}_B \cdot \hat{i}_A & \hat{k}_B \cdot \hat{i}_A \\ \hat{i}_B \cdot \hat{j}_A & \hat{j}_B \cdot \hat{j}_A & \hat{k}_B \cdot \hat{j}_A \\ \hat{i}_B \cdot \hat{k}_A & \hat{j}_B \cdot \hat{k}_A & \hat{k}_B \cdot \hat{k}_A \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

- The of a rotation matrix inverse = the transpose

$$\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{R}^T = \mathbf{1}$$

→ thus, the rows are {A} written in {B}

$${}^B_A\mathbf{R} = {}^A_B\mathbf{R}^T = {}^A_B\mathbf{R}^{-1}$$



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## Position and Orientation [5]: A note on orientations

- Orientations, as defined earlier, are represented by three orthonormal vectors
- Only three of these values are unique and we often wish to define a particular rotation using three values (it's easier than specifying 9 orthonormal values)
- There isn't a unique method of specifying the angles that define these transformations



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## Position and Orientation [7]

- **Shortcut Notation:**

$$\cos(\theta_a) = c\theta_a = \mathbf{c}_a$$

$$\sin(\theta_a) = s\theta_a = \mathbf{s}_a$$

$$\cos (\theta_a + \theta_b) = c_{ab}$$

$$\therefore s_{ab} = \boxed{\quad ? \quad}$$



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## Position and Orientation [8]

- Rotation Formula about the 3 Principal Axes by  $\theta$

$$\text{X:} \quad \mathbf{R}_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ 0 & \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Y:} \quad \mathbf{R}_y = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Z:} \quad \mathbf{R}_z = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Euler Angles

- Minimal representation of orientation ( $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ )
- Represent a rotation about an axis of a **moving** coordinate frame  
→  ${}^A_B\mathbf{R}$  : Moving frame **B** w/r/t fixed A
- The location of the axis of each successive rotation depends on the previous one! ...
- So, Order Matters (12 combinations, why?)
- Often Z-Y-X:
  - $\alpha$ : rotation about the **z** axis
  - $\beta$ : rotation about the rotated **y** axis
  - $\gamma$ : rotation about the twice rotated **x** axis
- Has singularities! ... (e.g.,  $\beta = \pm 90^\circ$ )



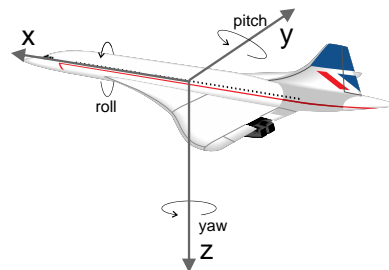
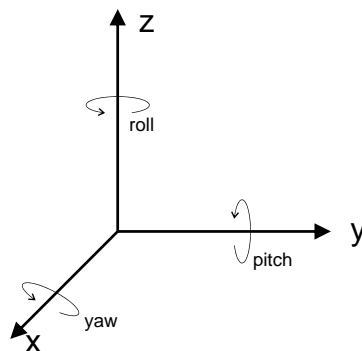
## Fixed Angles

- Represent a rotation about an axis of a **fixed** coordinate frame.
- Again 12 different orders
- Interestingly:  
3 rotations about 3 axes of a **fixed** frame define the same orientation as the same 3 rotations taken in the **opposite order** of the **moving** frame
- For X-Y-Z:
  - $\psi$ : rotation about  $\mathbf{x}_A$  (sometimes called “yaw”)
  - $\theta$ : rotation about  $\mathbf{y}_A$  (sometimes called “pitch”)
  - $\phi$ : rotation about  $\mathbf{z}_A$  (sometimes called “roll”)



## Roll – Pitch – Yaw

- In many Kinematics References:
- In many Engineering Applications:



→ Be careful:

This name is given to other conventions too!



## Euler Angles [1]: X-Y-Z Fixed Angles (Roll-Pitch-Yaw)

- One method of describing the orientation of a Frame {B} is:
  - Start with the frame coincident with a known reference {A}. Rotate {B} first about  $X_A$  by an angle  $\gamma$ , then about  $Y_A$  by an angle  $\beta$  and finally about  $Z_A$  by an angle  $\alpha$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^A R_{BXYZ}(\gamma, \beta, \alpha) &= R_Z(\alpha) R_Y(\beta) R_X(\gamma) \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_\alpha & -s_\alpha & 0 \\ s_\alpha & c_\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_\beta & 0 & s_\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_\beta & 0 & c_\beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_\gamma & -s_\gamma \\ 0 & s_\gamma & c_\gamma \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_\alpha c_\beta & c_\alpha s_\beta s_\gamma - s_\alpha c_\gamma & c_\alpha s_\beta c_\gamma + s_\alpha s_\gamma \\ s_\alpha c_\beta & s_\alpha s_\beta s_\gamma + c_\alpha c_\gamma & s_\alpha s_\beta c_\gamma - c_\alpha s_\gamma \\ -s_\beta & c_\beta s_\gamma & c_\beta c_\gamma \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



## Euler Angles [2]: Z-Y-X Euler Angles

- Another method of describing the orientation of {B} is:
  - Start with the frame coincident with a known reference {A}. Rotate {B} first about  $Z_B$  by an angle  $\alpha$ , then about  $Y_B$  by an angle  $\beta$  and finally about  $X_B$  by an angle  $\gamma$ .

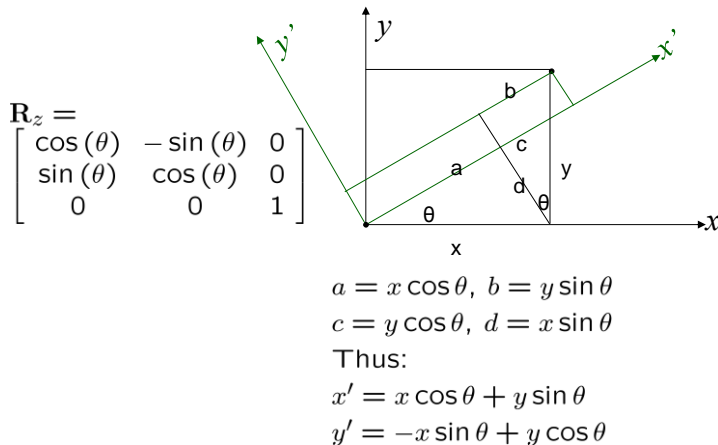
$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^A R_{BZ'Y'X'}(\gamma, \beta, \alpha) &= R_Z(\alpha) R_Y(\beta) R_X(\gamma) \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_\alpha & -s_\alpha & 0 \\ s_\alpha & c_\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_\beta & 0 & s_\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_\beta & 0 & c_\beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_\gamma & -s_\gamma \\ 0 & s_\gamma & c_\gamma \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_\alpha c_\beta & c_\alpha s_\beta s_\gamma - s_\alpha c_\gamma & c_\alpha s_\beta c_\gamma + s_\alpha s_\gamma \\ s_\alpha c_\beta & s_\alpha s_\beta s_\gamma + c_\alpha c_\gamma & s_\alpha s_\beta c_\gamma - c_\alpha s_\gamma \\ -s_\beta & c_\beta s_\gamma & c_\beta c_\gamma \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



## Position and Orientation [6]:

### “Proof” of Principal Rotation Matrix Terms

- Geometric:



## Unit Quaternion ( $\epsilon_0, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3$ ) [1]

- Does not suffer from singularities

$$\epsilon \equiv \epsilon_0 + (\epsilon_1 \hat{i} + \epsilon_2 \hat{j} + \epsilon_3 \hat{k})$$

- Uses a “4-number” to represent orientation

$$ii = jj = kk = -1$$

$$ij = k, jk = i, ki = j, ji = -k, kj = -i, ik = -j$$

- Product:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{ab} = & (a_0 b_0 - a_1 b_1 - a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3) \\
 & + (a_0 b_1 + a_1 b_0 + a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2) \hat{i} \\
 & + (a_0 b_2 + a_2 b_0 + a_3 b_1 + a_1 b_3) \hat{j} \\
 & + (a_0 b_3 + a_3 b_0 + a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) \hat{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Conjugate:

$$\tilde{\epsilon} \equiv \epsilon_0 - \epsilon_1 \hat{i} - \epsilon_2 \hat{j} - \epsilon_3 \hat{k}$$

$$\epsilon \tilde{\epsilon} = \tilde{\epsilon} \epsilon = \epsilon_0^2 + \epsilon_1^2 + \epsilon_2^2 + \epsilon_3^2$$



## Unit Quaternion [2]: Describing Orientation

- Set  $\epsilon_0 = 0$   
Then  $\mathbf{p} = (p_x, p_y, p_z) \rightarrow \mathbf{p} = p_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + p_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + p_z \hat{\mathbf{k}}$
- Then given  $\epsilon$   
the operation  $\epsilon \mathbf{p} \tilde{\epsilon}$  : rotates  $\mathbf{p}$  about  $(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3)$
- Unit Quaternion  $\rightarrow$  Rotation Matrix

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2(\epsilon_2^2 + \epsilon_3^2) & 2(\epsilon_1\epsilon_2 - \epsilon_0\epsilon_3) & 2(\epsilon_1\epsilon_3 - \epsilon_0\epsilon_2) \\ 2(\epsilon_1\epsilon_2 - \epsilon_0\epsilon_3) & 1 - 2(\epsilon_1^2 + \epsilon_3^2) & 2(\epsilon_2\epsilon_3 - \epsilon_0\epsilon_1) \\ 2(\epsilon_1\epsilon_3 - \epsilon_0\epsilon_2) & 2(\epsilon_2\epsilon_3 - \epsilon_0\epsilon_1) & 1 - 2(\epsilon_1^2 + \epsilon_2^2) \end{pmatrix}$$



## Direction Cosine

- Uses the Direction Cosines (read dot products) of the Coordinate Axes of the moving frame with respect to the fixed frame

$${}^A\mathbf{u} = u_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + u_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + u_z \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

$${}^A\mathbf{v} = v_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + v_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + v_z \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

$${}^A\mathbf{w} = w_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + w_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + w_z \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

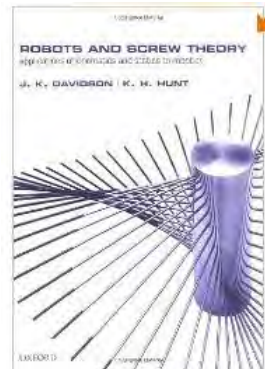
- It forms a rotation matrix!

$$\begin{matrix} {}^A R_B & (b_x) \hat{\mathbf{i}}_B & (b_y) \hat{\mathbf{j}}_B & (b_z) \hat{\mathbf{k}}_B \\ \begin{matrix} (a_x) \hat{\mathbf{i}}_A \\ (a_y) \hat{\mathbf{j}}_A \\ (a_z) \hat{\mathbf{k}}_A \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{i}}_A & \hat{\mathbf{j}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{i}}_A & \hat{\mathbf{k}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{i}}_A \\ \hat{\mathbf{i}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}}_A & \hat{\mathbf{j}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}}_A & \hat{\mathbf{k}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}}_A \\ \hat{\mathbf{i}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_A & \hat{\mathbf{j}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_A & \hat{\mathbf{k}}_B \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_A \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$



## Screw Displacements

- Comes from the notion that all motion can be viewed as a rotation (Rodrigues formula)
- Define a vector along the axis of motion (screw vector)
  - Rotation (screw angle)
  - Translation (pitch)
  - Summations → via the screw triangle!



## 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





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

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





## 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, <b>order of contact</b> : 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, $l_\infty$ .
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, <b>I</b> , <b>J</b> (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

p.44, R. Hartley and A. Zisserman. *Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision*



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## Homogenous Coordinates

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

- $\rho$  is a scaling value



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## Homogenous Transformation



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





- $\gamma$  is a projective transformation
- The Homogenous Transformation is a **linear operation** (even if projection is not)



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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, $\pi_\infty$ , (see section 3.5).
Similarity 7 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		The absolute conic, $\Omega_\infty$ , (see section 3.6).
Euclidean 6 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		Volume.

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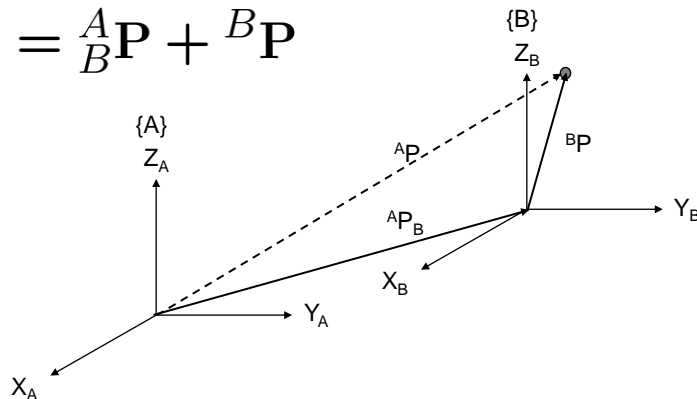
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## Coordinate Transformations [1]

- Translation Again:

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

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



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## Coordinate Transformations [2]

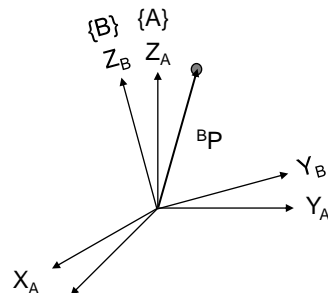
- Rotation Again:

$\{B\}$  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**

$${}^A\mathbf{P} = {}^A_{\llbracket B \rrbracket} \mathbf{R}^{\llbracket B \rrbracket} \mathbf{P}$$

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



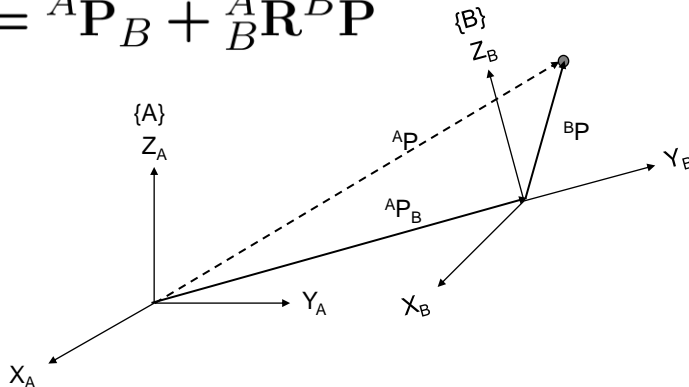
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## Coordinate Transformations [3]

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

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



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## 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

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

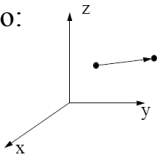


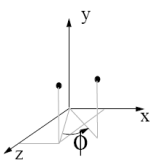
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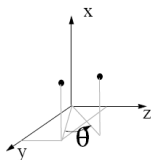
## General Coordinate Transformations [2]

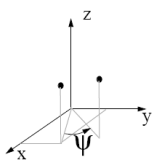
- Similarly, fundamental orthonormal transformations can be represented in this form too:



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


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



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


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



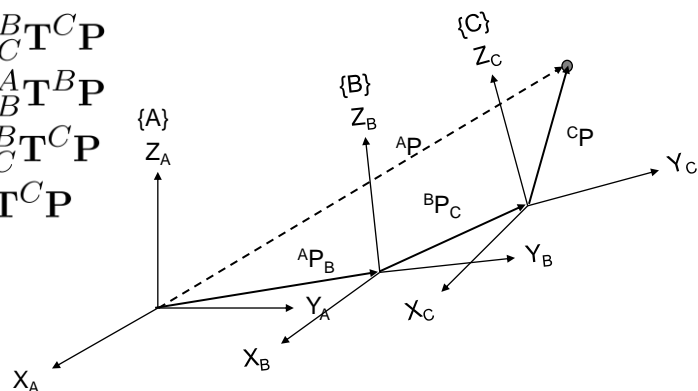
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## General Coordinate Transformations [3] ★

- Multiple transformations compounded as a chain

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



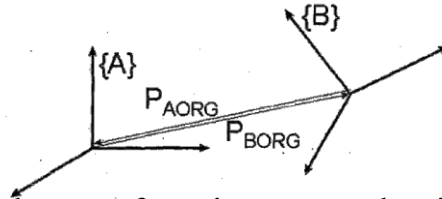
$${}^A\mathbf{T}_C = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A\mathbf{R}_B {}^B\mathbf{R}_C & {}^A\mathbf{P}_B + {}^A\mathbf{R}_B {}^B\mathbf{P}_C \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Inverse of a Homogeneous Transformation Matrix



- The inverse of the transform is **not** equal to its transpose because this  $4 \times 4$  matrix is not orthonormal ( $T^{-1} \neq T^T$ )
- Invert by parts to give:

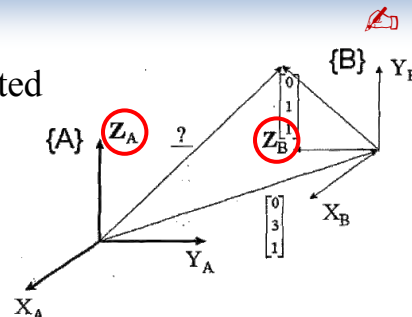
$${}^A_B T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A_B R & {}^A \mathbf{p}_{Borg/O_A} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^A_B T^{-1} = {}^B_A T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_A R^T & -{}^B_A R^T \cdot {}^A \mathbf{p}_{Borg/O_A} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_A R & {}^B \mathbf{p}_{Aorg/O_B} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Tutorial Problem

The origin of frame  $\{B\}$  is translated to a position  $[0 \ 3 \ 1]$  with respect to frame  $\{A\}$ .



We would like to find:

- The homogeneous transformation between the two frames in the figure.
- For a point  $P$  defined as  $[0 \ 1 \ 1]$  in frame  $\{B\}$ , we would like to find the vector describing this point with respect to frame  $\{A\}$ .





## Tutorial Solution



- The matrix  ${}_B T^A$  is formed as defined earlier:

$${}_B T^A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The matrix  ${}_B T^A$  is formed as defined earlier:

- Since P in the frame is:

- We find vector  $\mathbf{p}$  in frame  $\{A\}$  using the relationship

→

- Since P in the frame is:  ${}_B \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- We find vector  $\mathbf{p}$  in frame  $\{A\}$  using the relationship

$${}_A \mathbf{p} = {}_B T^A {}_B \mathbf{p}$$

→  ${}_A \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$



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## Part II:

### Forward & Inverse Kinematics

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

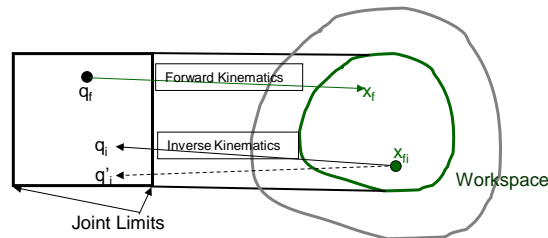


## Forward Kinematics [2]

- Can think of this as “spaces”:
  - Workspace  $(x, y, z, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ :  
The robot’s position & orientation
  - Joint space  $(\theta_1 \dots \theta_n)$ :  
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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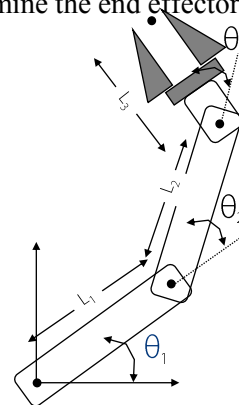
## Forward Kinematics [3]

- Consider a planar RRR manipular
- 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 ...

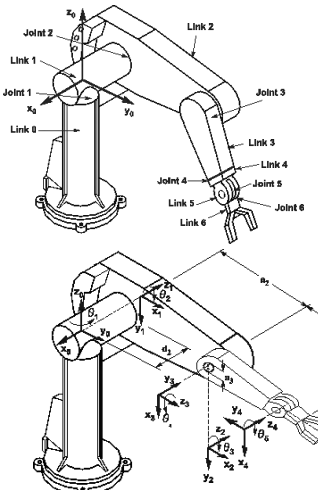



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## Forward Kinematics [4]: The PUMA 560!

- What about a more complicated mechanism?

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} s_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ s_1(s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ s_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} c_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ c_1(s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ c_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \end{pmatrix}$$

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

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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:

$$J = \frac{\delta \mathbf{x}}{\delta \mathbf{q}} \rightarrow \delta \mathbf{q} \approx J^{-1} \delta \mathbf{x}$$

- $J^T$  Approximation:

- Slotine & Sheridan method

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = J^T \cdot \mathbf{F} \rightarrow \Delta \mathbf{q} \approx J^T \Delta \mathbf{x}$$

- 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



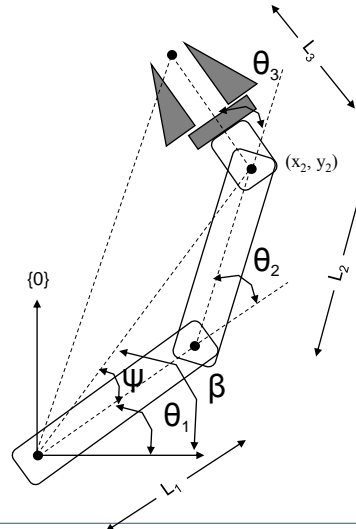
## Solution Methods

- 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
- Many exist: Most general solution to a 6R mechanism is Raghavan and Roth (1990)
- Three methods of obtaining a solution are popular:  
(1) **geometric** | (2) **algebraic** | (3) **DH**



## Inverse Kinematics: Geometrical Approach

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

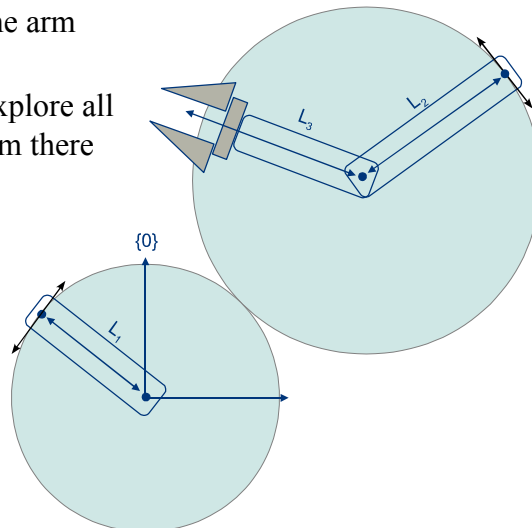


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## Inverse Kinematics: Geometrical Approach [2]

- 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

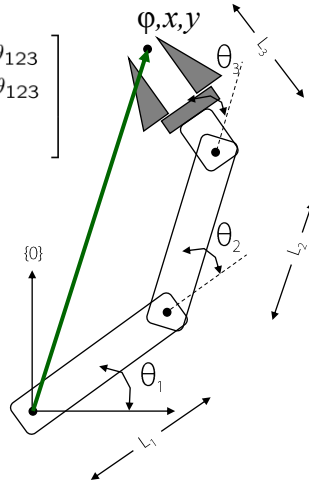
- We have a series of equations which define this system
- Recall, from Forward Kinematics:

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

- 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

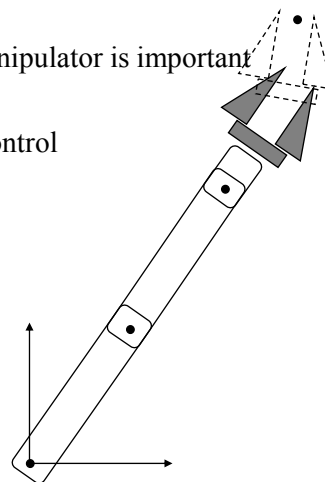


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## No Solution - Singularity

- 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
  - $\det[\text{Jacobian}] = 0$

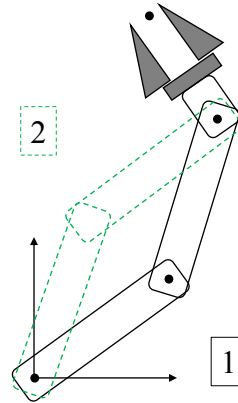


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## Multiple Solutions

- 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

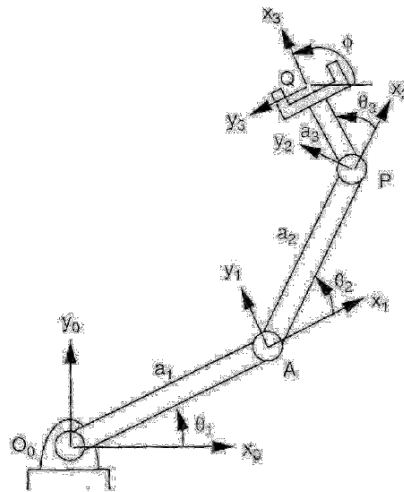


## Inverse Kinematics [More Generally]

- Freudenstein (1973) referred to the inverse kinematics problem of the most general **6R** manipulator as the “Mount Everest” of kinematic problems.
- Tsai and Morgan (1985) and Primrose (1986) proved that this has at most 16 real solutions.
- Duffy and Crane (1980) derived a closed-form solution for the general **7R** single-loop spatial mechanism.
  - The solution was obtained in the form of a  $16 \times 16$  determinant in which every element is a second-degree polynomial in one joint variable. The determinant, when expanded, should yield a 32nd-degree polynomial equation and hence confirms the upper limit predicted by Roth *et al.* (1973).
- Tsai and Morgan (1985) used the homotopy continuation method to solve the inverse kinematics of the general 6R manipulator and found only 16 solutions
- Raghavan and Roth (1989, 1990) used the dyalytic elimination method to derive a 16th-degree polynomial for the general 6R inverse kinematics problem.



## Example: FK/IK of a 3R Planar Arm



- Derived from Tsai (p. 63)



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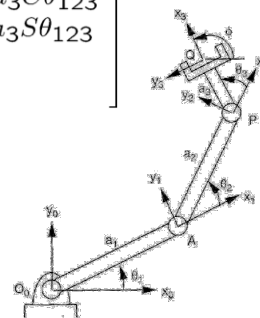
## Example: 3R Planar Arm [2]

Position Analysis: 3-Planar 1-R Arm rotating about **Z** [②]

$${}^0A_3 = {}^0A_1 \cdot {}^1A_2 \cdot {}^2A_3$$

Substituting gives:

$${}^0A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_{123} & -S\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12} + a_3C\theta_{123} \\ S\theta_{123} & C\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} + a_3S\theta_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Example: 3R Planar Arm [2]

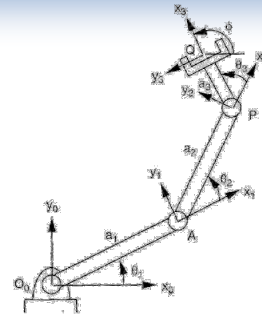
### Forward Kinematics

(solve for  $\mathbf{x}$  given  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \rightarrow \mathbf{x} = f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ )

Fairly straight forward:

$${}^0R_3 = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_{123} & -S\theta_{123} & 0 \\ S\theta_{123} & C\theta_{123} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12} + a_3C\theta_{123} \\ a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} + a_3S\theta_{123} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Example: 3R Planar Arm [3]

### Inverse Kinematics

(solve for  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  given  $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{x} = f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ )

- Start with orientation  $\phi$ :

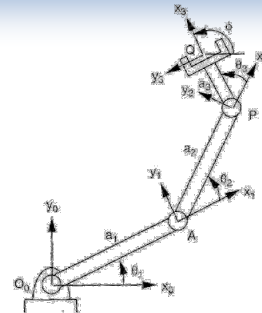
$$C\theta_{123} = C\phi, \quad S\theta_{123} = S\phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_{123} = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = \phi$$

- Get overall position  $\mathbf{q} = [q_x \quad q_y]$ :

$$q_x - a_3C\phi = a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12}$$

$$q_y - a_3S\phi = a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} \dots$$



### Example: 3R Planar Arm [4]

- Introduce  $\mathbf{p} = [p_x \ p_y]$  before “wrist”

$$p_x = a_1 C\theta_1 + a_2 C\theta_{12}, p_y = a_1 S\theta_1 + a_2 S\theta_{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_x^2 + p_y^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2$$

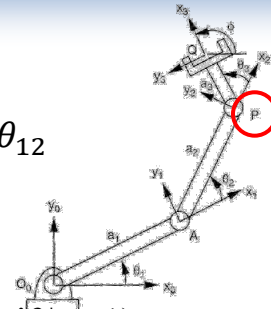
- Solve for  $\theta_2$ :

$$\theta_2 = \cos^{-1} \kappa, \kappa = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - a_1^2 - a_2^2}{2a_1 a_2} \quad (2 \text{ } \mathbb{R} \text{ roots if } |\kappa| < 1)$$

- Solve for  $\theta_1$ :

$$C\theta_1 = \frac{p_x(a_1 + a_2 C\theta_2) + p_y a_2 S\theta_2}{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2}, S\theta_1 = \frac{-p_x a_2 S\theta_2 + p_y(a_1 + a_2 C\theta_2)}{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2}$$

$$\theta_1 = \text{atan2}(S\theta_1, C\theta_1)$$



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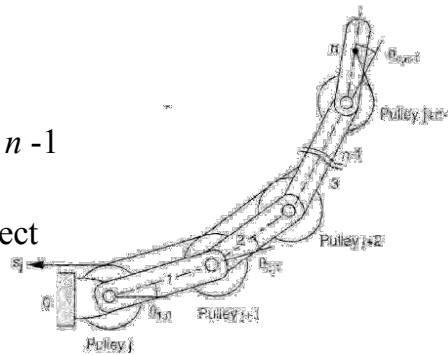
### Advanced Concept: Tendon-Driven Manipulators

- Tendons may be modelled as a transmission line
- in which the links are labeled sequentially from 0 to  $n$  and the pulleys are labeled from  $j$  to  $j + n - 1$
- Let  $\theta_{ji}$  denote the angular displacement of link  $j$  with respect to link  $i$ .
- We can write a circuit equation once for each pulley pair as follows:

$$r_{j+i-1} \theta_{j+i-1,i} = \pm r_{j+i} \theta_{j+i,i} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1.$$

$$\theta_{j+i-1,i} = \theta_{j+i-1,j-1} - \theta_{i,j-1} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

$$\theta_{j,0} = \theta_{1,0} \pm (r_{j+1}/r_j) \theta_{2,1} \pm \dots \pm (r_{j+n-1}/r_j) \theta_{n,n-1}.$$

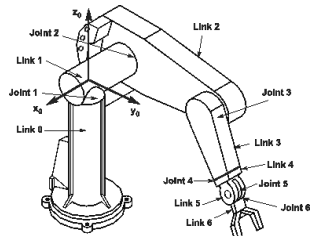


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## Inverse Kinematics

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



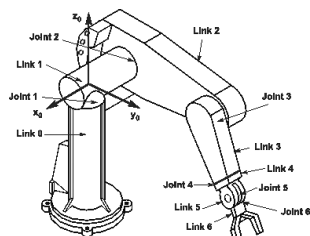
» A sufficient condition for a serial manipulator to yield a closed-form inverse kinematics solution is to have any three consecutive joint axes intersecting at a common point or any three consecutive joint axes parallel to each other. (Pieper and Roth (1969) via 4×4 matrix method)

» Raghavan and Roth 1990  
“Kinematic Analysis of the 6R Manipulator of General Geometry”

Tsai and Morgan 1985, “Solving the Kinematics of the Most General Six- and Five-Degree-of-Freedom Manipulators by Continuation Methods” (posted online)

## Inverse Kinematics

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



## 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  $\theta_i$

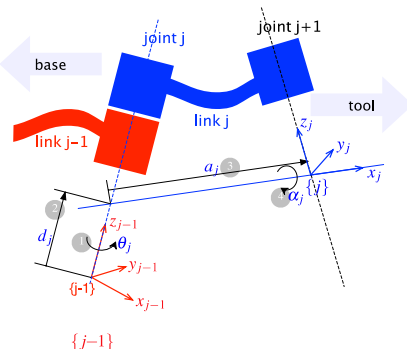


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## Denavit-Hartenberg Convention

- link length  $a_i$  the offset distance between the  $z_{i-1}$  and  $z_i$  axes along the  $x_i$  axis;
- link twist  $\alpha_i$  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.



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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)

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



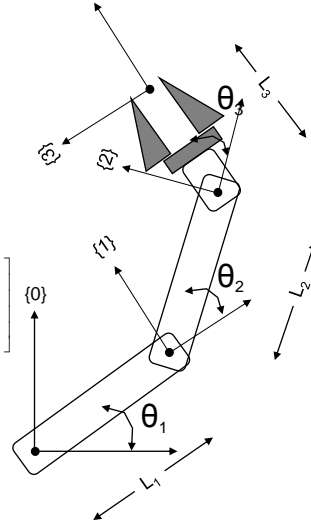
## DH Example [1]: RRR Link Manipulator

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

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

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

$${}^0T_3 = {}^0A_1 {}^1A_2 {}^2A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3} & -s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3} & 0 & L_1 c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3} + L_2 c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} + L_3 c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} \\ s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3} & c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3} & 0 & L_1 s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3} + L_2 s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} + L_3 s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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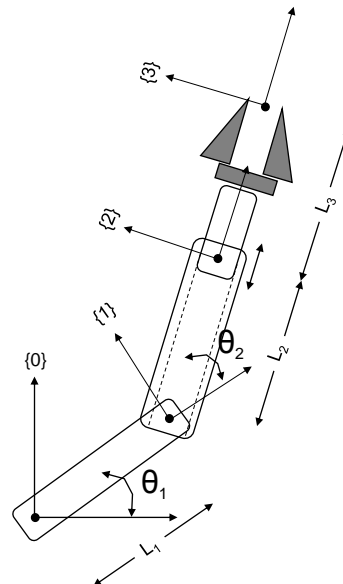
## DH Example [2]: RRP Link Manipulator

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

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

$${}^0T_3 = {}^0A_1 {}^1A_2 {}^2A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} & -s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_1 c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} + (L_2 + L_3) c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} \\ s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} & c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_1 s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} + (L_2 + L_3) s_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

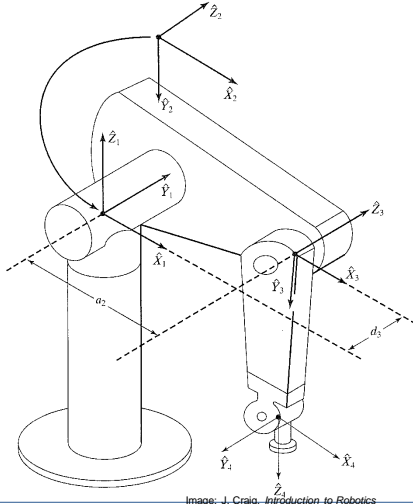


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## DH Example [3]: Puma 560

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



Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
1	0	0	0	$\theta_1$
2	0	$-\pi/2$	0	$\theta_2$
3	$L_2$	0	$D_3$	$\theta_3$
4	$L_3$	$-\pi/2$	$D_4$	$\theta_4$
5	0	$\pi/2$	0	$\theta_5$
6	0	$-\pi/2$	0	$\theta_6$

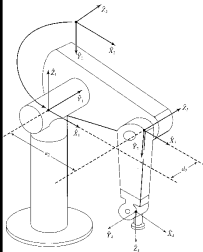


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## DH Example [3]: Puma 560 [2]



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

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

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

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

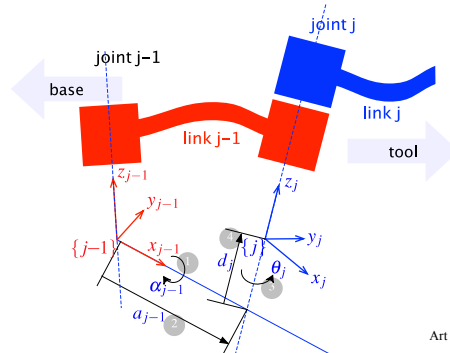


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## Modified DH

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



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

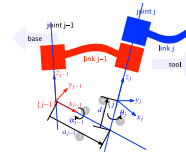


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## Modified DH [2]

- 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

$$\underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_1) T_z(d_1) T_x(a_1) R_x(\alpha_1)\}}_{\text{DH}_1} \cdot \underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_2) T_z(d_2) T_x(a_2) R_x(\alpha_2)\}}_{\text{DH}_2} \cdot \underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_3) T_z(d_3)\}}_{\text{End Effector}}$$

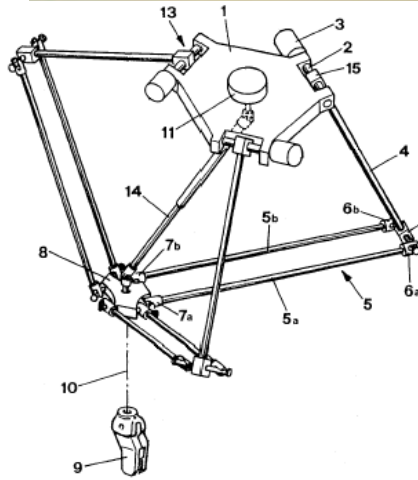
$$= \underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_1) T_z(d_1)\}}_{\text{Base}} \cdot \underbrace{\{T_x(a_1) R_x(\alpha_1) R_z(\theta_2) T_z(d_2)\}}_{\text{MDH}_1} \cdot \underbrace{\{T_x(a_2) R_x(\alpha_2) R_z(\theta_3) T_z(d_3)\}}_{\text{MDH}_2}$$



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## Parallel Manipulators



Sources: Wikipedia, "Delta Robot", ParallelMic.Org, "Delta Parallel Robot", and [US Patent 4,976,582](#)

- 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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## 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?

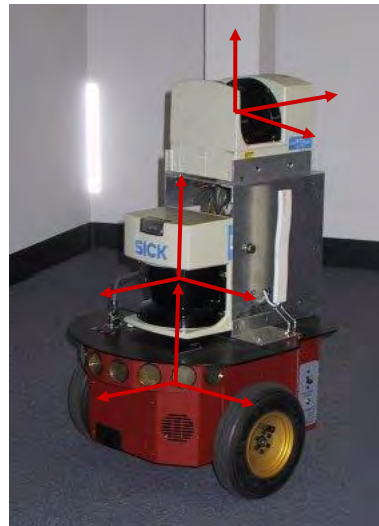
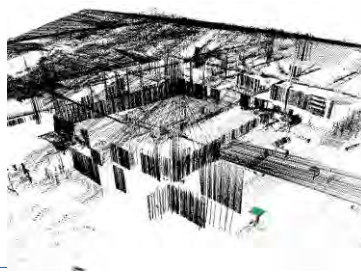


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## Mobile Platforms [2]

- 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



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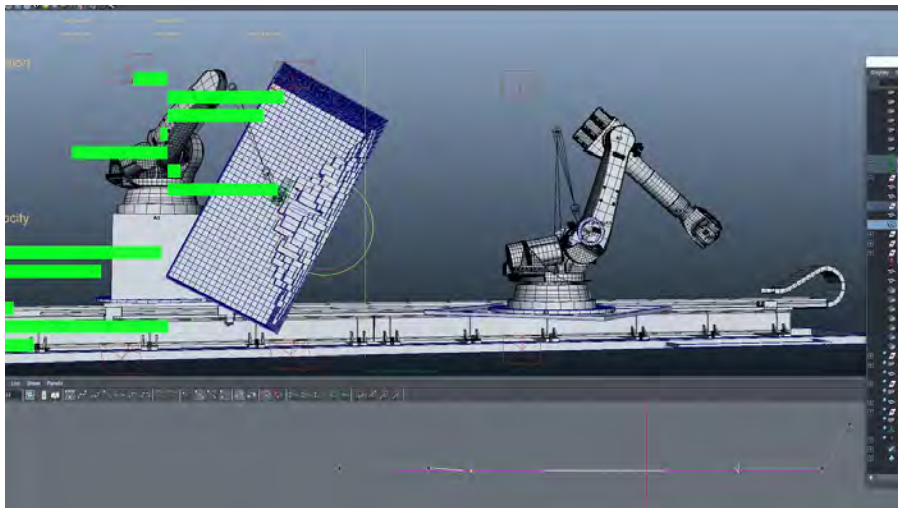
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## Summary

- 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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## Representing Position & Orientation & State

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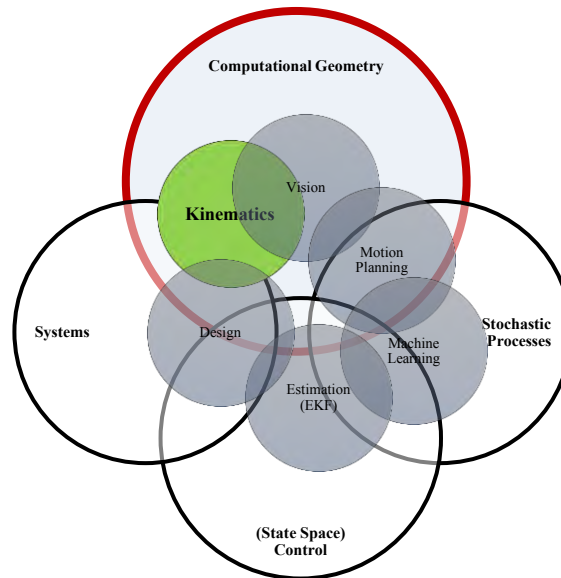
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1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
<b>3</b>	<b>10-Aug</b>	<b>Robot Kinematics Review (&amp; Ekka Day)</b>
4	17-Aug	Robot Dynamics
5	24-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Feature Detection (as Linear Observers)
8	14-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization
9	21-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: SLAM
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	State-Space Modelling
12	19-Oct	Shaping the Dynamic Response
13	26-Oct	LQR + Course Review



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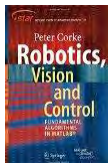
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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

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Today

### → Representing Space ←

- RVC
  - Chapter 7: Robot Arm Kinematics
  -

- Inverse Kinematics
  - RVC
    - §7.3: Robot Arm Kinematics

Next Time



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## The Project!

### “Robotics: Domino Effect”



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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

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





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



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## 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, <b>order of contact</b> : 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, $l_\infty$ .
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, <b>I, J</b> (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

p.44, R. Hartley and A. Zisserman. *Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision*



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## Homogenous Coordinates

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

- $\rho$  is a scaling value



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# Homogenous Transformation



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





- $\gamma$  is a projective transformation
- The Homogenous Transformation is a **linear operation** (even if projection is not)



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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, $\pi_\infty$ , (see section 3.5).
Similarity 7 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		The absolute conic, $\Omega_\infty$ , (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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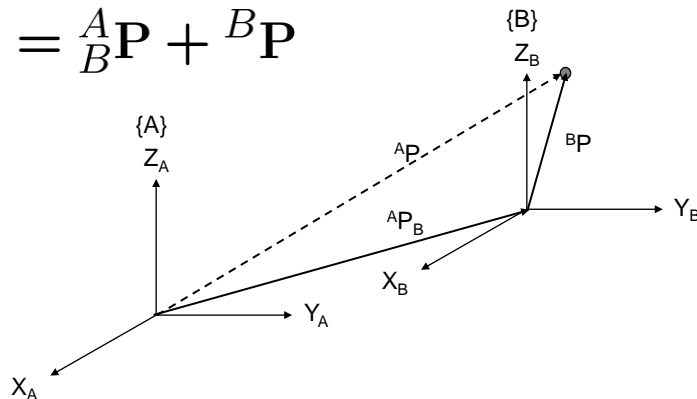
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## Coordinate Transformations [1]

- Translation Again:

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

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



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## Coordinate Transformations [2]

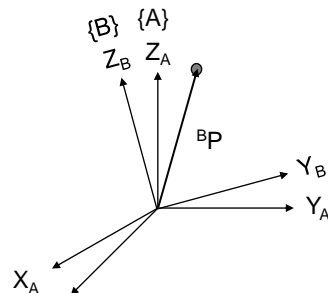
- Rotation Again:

$\{B\}$  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**

$${}^A\mathbf{P} = {}^A_{\llbracket B \rrbracket} \mathbf{R}^{\llbracket B \rrbracket} \mathbf{P}$$

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



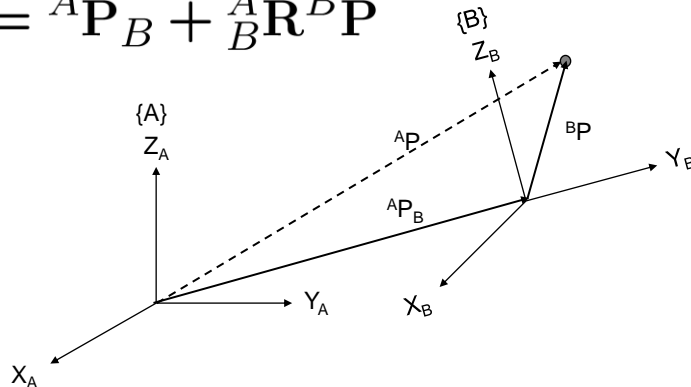
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## Coordinate Transformations [3]

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

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



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## 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

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

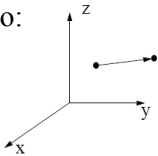


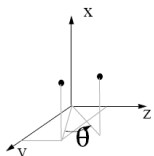
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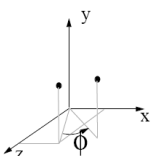
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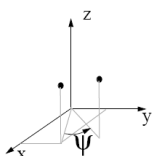
## General Coordinate Transformations [2]

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



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


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


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


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



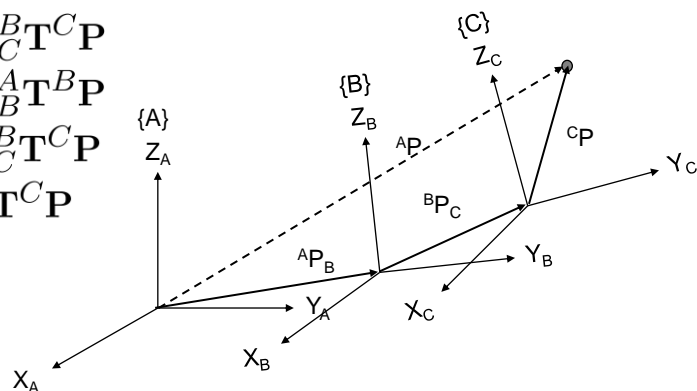
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## General Coordinate Transformations [3] ★

- Multiple transformations compounded as a chain

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



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

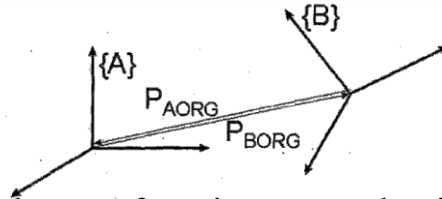


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## Inverse of a Homogeneous Transformation Matrix



- The inverse of the transform is **not** equal to its transpose because this  $4 \times 4$  matrix is not orthonormal ( $T^{-1} \neq T^T$ )
- Invert by parts to give:

$${}^A_B T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A_B R & {}^A \mathbf{p}_{Borg/O_A} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^A_B T^{-1} = {}^B_A T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_A R^T & -{}^B_A R^T \cdot {}^A \mathbf{p}_{Borg/O_A} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_A R & {}^B \mathbf{p}_{Aorg/O_B} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

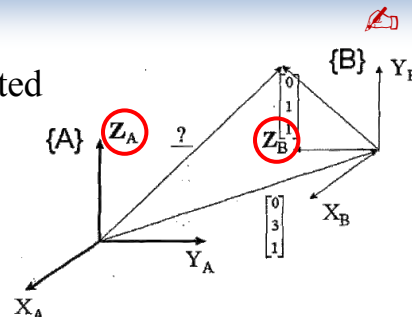


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## Tutorial Problem

The origin of frame  $\{B\}$  is translated to a position  $[0 \ 3 \ 1]$  with respect to frame  $\{A\}$ .



We would like to find:

- The homogeneous transformation between the two frames in the figure.
- For a point  $P$  defined as  $[0 \ 1 \ 1]$  in frame  $\{B\}$ , we would like to find the vector describing this point with respect to frame  $\{A\}$ .



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## Tutorial Solution



- The matrix  ${}^B T^A$  is formed as defined earlier:

$${}^A T^B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• The matrix  ${}^B T^A$  is formed as defined earlier:

• Since P in the frame is:

• We find vector  $\mathbf{p}$  in frame  $\{A\}$  using the relationship

- Since P in the frame is:  ${}^B \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- We find vector  $\mathbf{p}$  in frame  $\{A\}$  using the relationship

$${}^A \mathbf{p} = {}^A T^B {}^B \mathbf{p}$$

$$\rightarrow {}^A \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Looking in Detail: Forward & Inverse Kinematics

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



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## Forward Kinematics

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## 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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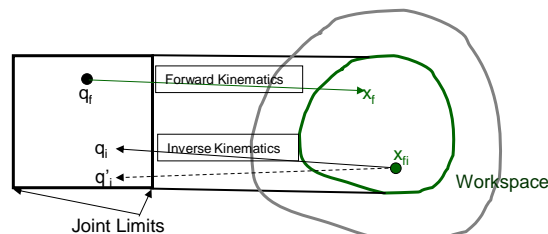
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## Forward Kinematics [2]

- Can think of this as “spaces”:
  - Workspace ( $x, y, z, \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ ):  
The robot’s position & orientation
  - Joint space ( $\theta_1 \dots \theta_n$ ):  
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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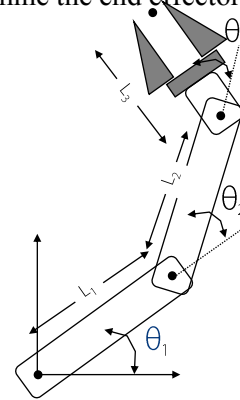
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## Forward Kinematics [3]

- 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 ...

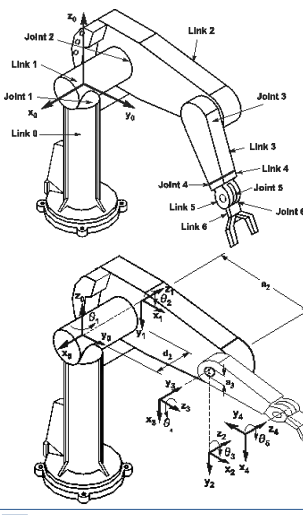


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## Forward Kinematics [4]: The PUMA 560!

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



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

$$s) - s_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ s) + c_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6)$$

$$s_6) - s_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ s_6) + c_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6)$$

$$a_x = c_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 \\ a_y = s_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 \\ a_z = -s_{23}c_4s_5 \\ p_x = c_1(d_6c_{23} \\ p_y = s_1(d_6c_{23} \\ p_z = d_6(c_{23}c_5$$



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# Denavit Hartenberg [DH] Notation

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## 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  $\theta_i$

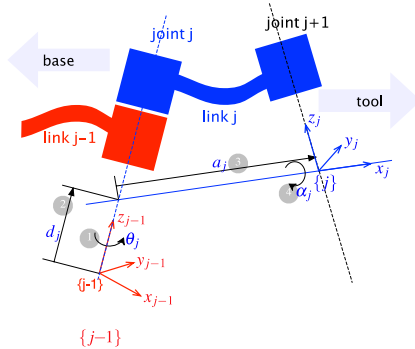


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## Denavit-Hartenberg Convention

- link length  $a_i$  the offset distance between the  $z_{i-1}$  and  $z_i$  axes along the  $x_i$  axis;
- link twist  $\alpha_i$  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.



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## DH: Where to place frame?

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



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## Denavit-Hartenberg → Rotation Matrix

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

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



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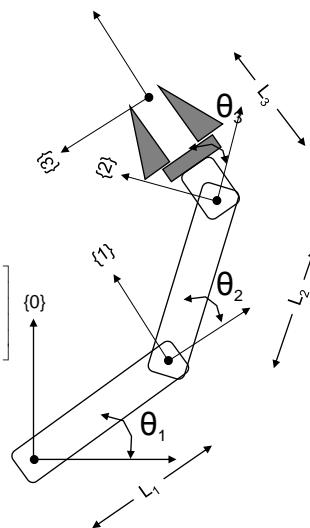
## DH Example [1]: RRR Link Manipulator

- Assign the frames at the joints ...
- 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	$\theta_3$

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

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



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## DH Example [2]: RRP Link Manipulator

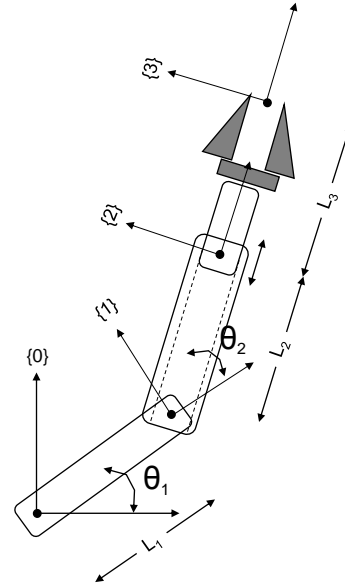
1. Assign the frames at the joints ...
2. Fill DH Table ...

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

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

$${}^0T_3 = {}^0A_1 {}^1A_2 {}^2A_3$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_2} & -s_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_1 c_{\theta_1} + (L_2 + L_3) c_{\theta_2} \\ s_{\theta_2} & c_{\theta_2} & 0 & L_1 s_{\theta_1} + (L_2 + L_3) s_{\theta_2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

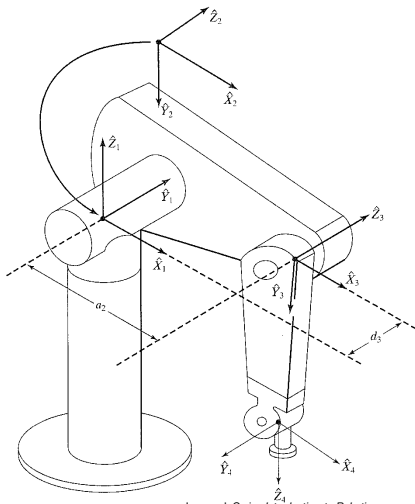


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## DH Example [3]: Puma 560

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



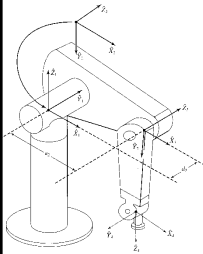
Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
1	0	0	0	$\theta_1$
2	0	$-\pi/2$	0	$\theta_2$
3	$L_2$	0	$D_3$	$\theta_3$
4	$L_3$	$-\pi/2$	$D_4$	$\theta_4$
5	0	$\pi/2$	0	$\theta_5$
6	0	$-\pi/2$	0	$\theta_6$



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## DH Example [3]: Puma 560 [2]



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

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

$${}^4A_5 = \begin{bmatrix} c_4 & -s_5 & 0 & L_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_4 \\ -s_5 & -c_5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^5A_6 = \begin{bmatrix} c_6 & -s_6 & 0 & L_3 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -s_6 & -c_6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

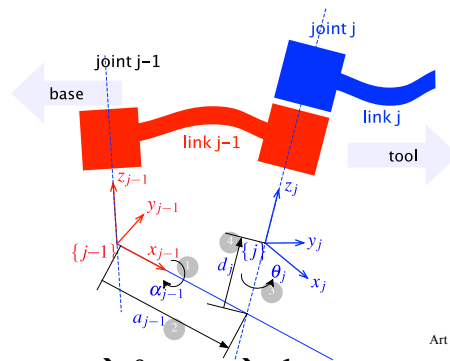


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## Modified DH

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



Art c/o P. Corke

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

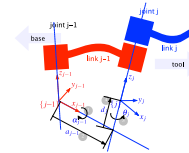


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## Modified DH [2]

- 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

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

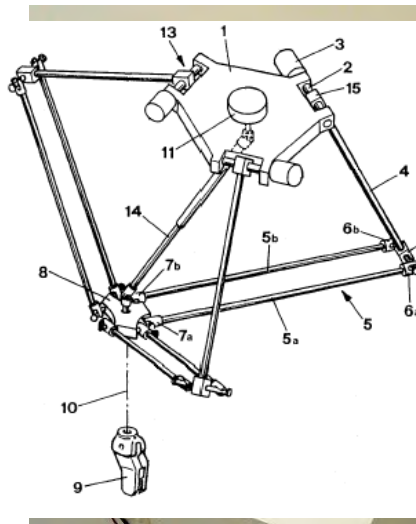
$$= \underbrace{\{R_z(\theta_1) T_z(d_1)\}}_{\text{Base}} \cdot \underbrace{\{T_x(a_1) R_x(\alpha_1) R_z(\theta_2) T_z(d_2)\}}_{MDH_1} \cdot \underbrace{\{T_x(a_2) R_x(\alpha_2) R_z(\theta_3) T_z(d_3)\}}_{MDH_2}$$



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## Parallel Manipulators



Sources: Wikipedia, "Delta Robot", ParallelMic.Org, "Delta Parallel Robot", and  
[US Patent 4,976,582](#)

- 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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## 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<sup>T</sup> 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
- Many exist: Most general solution to a 6R mechanism is Raghavan and Roth (1990)
- Three methods of obtaining a solution are popular:  
(1) **geometric** | (2) **algebraic** | (3) **DH**

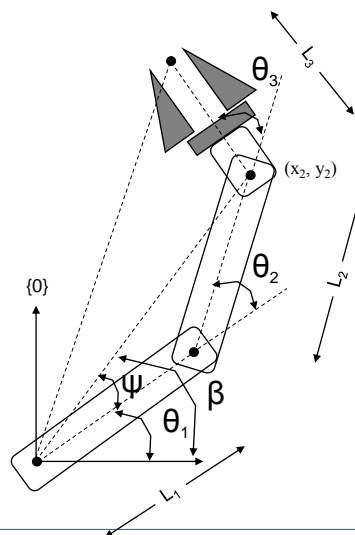


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## Inverse Kinematics: Geometrical Approach

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

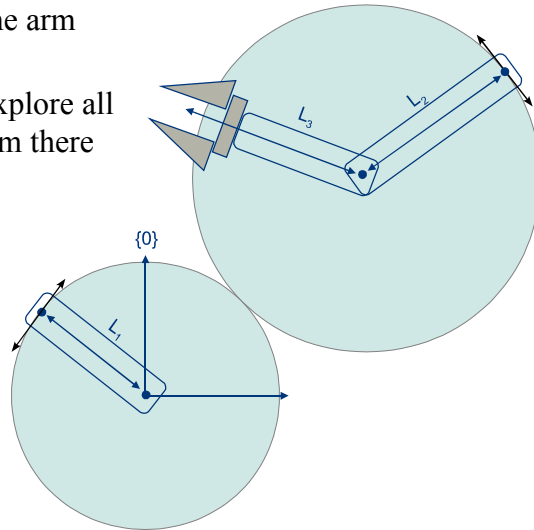


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## Inverse Kinematics: Geometrical Approach [2]

- 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

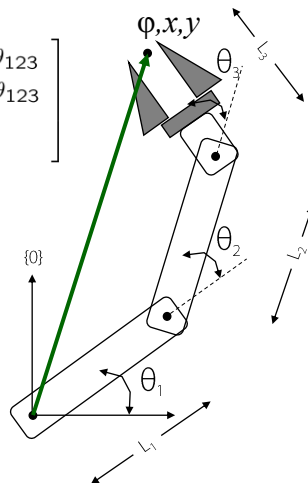
- We have a series of equations which define this system
- Recall, from Forward Kinematics:

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

- 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

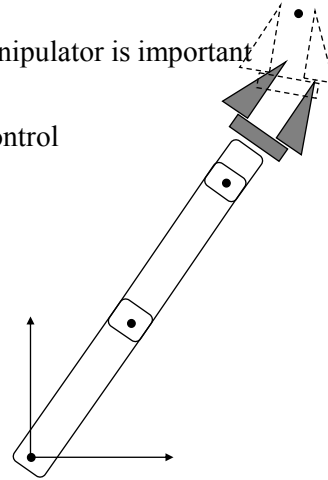


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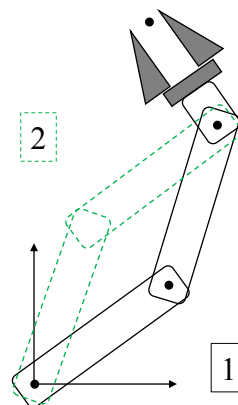
## No Solution - Singularity

- 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
  - $\det[\text{Jacobian}] = 0$



## 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



# Inverse Kinematics

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## Inverse Kinematics [More Generally]

- Freudenstein (1973) referred to the inverse kinematics problem of the most general **6R** manipulator as the “Mount Everest” of kinematic problems.
- Tsai and Morgan (1985) and Primrose (1986) proved that this has at most 16 real solutions.
- Duffy and Crane (1980) derived a closed-form solution for the general **7R** single-loop spatial mechanism.
  - The solution was obtained in the form of a  $16 \times 16$  determinant in which every element is a second-degree polynomial in one joint variable. The determinant, when expanded, should yield a 32nd-degree polynomial equation and hence confirms the upper limit predicted by Roth *et al.* (1973).
- Tsai and Morgan (1985) used the homotopy continuation method to solve the inverse kinematics of the general 6R manipulator and found only 16 solutions
- Raghavan and Roth (1989, 1990) used the dalytic elimination method to derive a 16th-degree polynomial for the general 6R inverse kinematics problem.

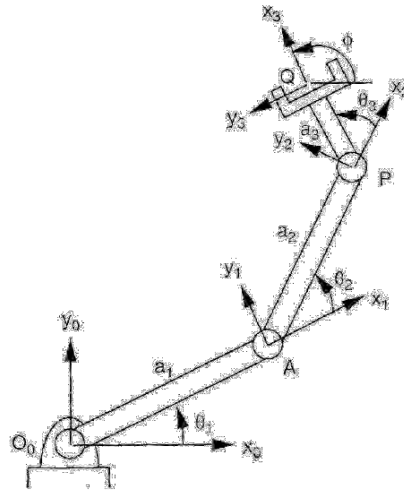


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## Example: FK/IK of a 3R Planar Arm



- Derived from Tsai (p. 63)



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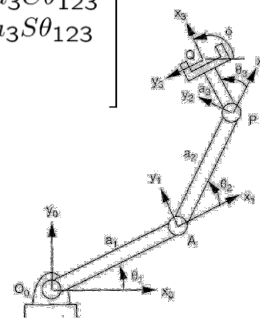
## Example: 3R Planar Arm [2]

Position Analysis: 3-Planar 1-R Arm rotating about **Z** [2]

$${}^0A_3 = {}^0A_1 \cdot {}^1A_2 \cdot {}^2A_3$$

Substituting gives:

$${}^0A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_{123} & -S\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12} + a_3C\theta_{123} \\ S\theta_{123} & C\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} + a_3S\theta_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Example: 3R Planar Arm [2]

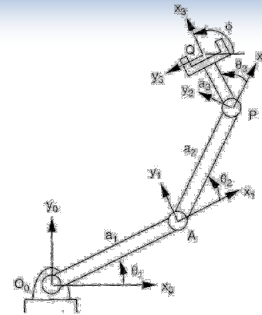
### Forward Kinematics

(solve for  $\mathbf{x}$  given  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \rightarrow \mathbf{x} = f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ )

Fairly straight forward:

$${}^0R_3 = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_{123} & -S\theta_{123} & 0 \\ S\theta_{123} & C\theta_{123} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12} + a_3C\theta_{123} \\ a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} + a_3S\theta_{123} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Example: 3R Planar Arm [3]

### Inverse Kinematics

(solve for  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  given  $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{x} = f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ )

- Start with orientation  $\phi$ :

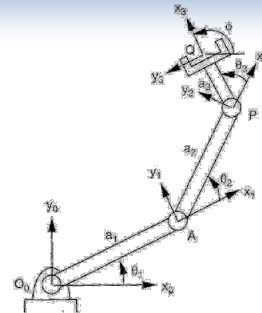
$$C\theta_{123} = C\phi, \quad S\theta_{123} = S\phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_{123} = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = \phi$$

- Get overall position  $\mathbf{q} = [q_x \quad q_y]$ :

$$q_x - a_3C\phi = a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12}$$

$$q_y - a_3S\phi = a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} \dots$$



### Example: 3R Planar Arm [4]

- Introduce  $\mathbf{p} = [p_x \ p_y]$  before “wrist”

$$p_x = a_1 C\theta_1 + a_2 C\theta_{12}, p_y = a_1 S\theta_1 + a_2 S\theta_{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_x^2 + p_y^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2$$

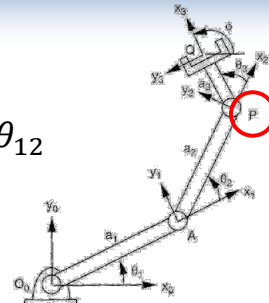
- Solve for  $\theta_2$ :

$$\theta_2 = \cos^{-1} \kappa, \kappa = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - a_1^2 - a_2^2}{2a_1 a_2} \quad (2 \text{ } \mathbb{R} \text{ roots if } |\kappa| < 1)$$

- Solve for  $\theta_1$ :

$$C\theta_1 = \frac{p_x(a_1 + a_2 C\theta_2) + p_y a_2 S\theta_2}{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2}, S\theta_1 = \frac{-p_x a_2 S\theta_2 + p_y(a_1 + a_2 C\theta_2)}{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2}$$

$$\theta_1 = \text{atan2}(S\theta_1, C\theta_1)$$

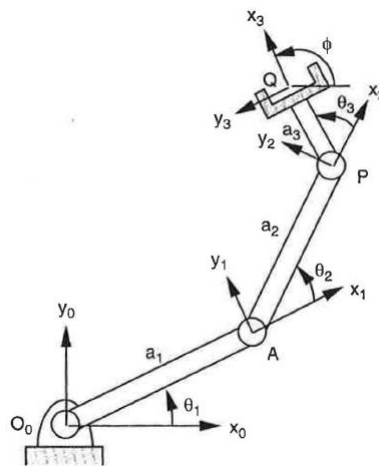


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### Inverse Kinematics: Example I

Planar Manipulator:



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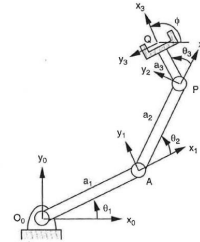
## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Forward Kinematics:

[For the Frame {Q} at the end effector]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_x \\ q_y \\ q_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^0A_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore {}^0A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{123} & -s\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ s\theta_{123} & c\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- For an arbitrary point **G** in the end effector:  ${}^3\mathbf{g} = [g_u, g_v, 0, 1]^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} g_x \\ g_y \\ g_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^0A_3 \begin{bmatrix} g_u \\ g_v \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_u c\theta_{123} - g_v s\theta_{123} + a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ g_u s\theta_{123} + g_v c\theta_{123} + a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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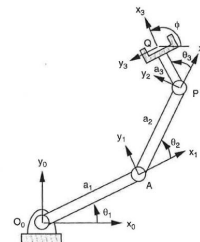
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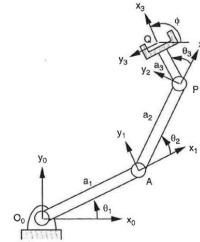
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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Inverse Kinematics:
  - Set the final position equal to the Forward Transformation Matrix  ${}^0\mathbf{A}_3$ :

$${}^0\mathbf{A}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c\phi & -s\phi & 0 & q_x \\ s\phi & c\phi & 0 & q_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- The solution strategy is to equate the elements of  ${}^0\mathbf{A}_3$  to that of the given position  $(q_x, q_y)$  and orientation  $\phi$



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Orientation ( $\phi$ ):
  - $c\theta_{123} = c\phi,$
  - $s\theta_{123} = s\phi.$
  - $\theta_{123} = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = \phi.$
- Now Position of the 2DOF point P:

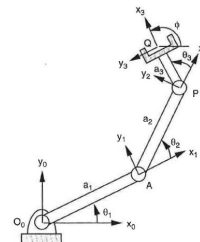
$$p_x = a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12},$$

$$p_y = a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12},$$

$$\therefore p_x = q_x - a_3 c\phi \quad p_y = q_y - a_3 s\phi$$

- Substitute:  $\theta_3$  disappears and now we can eliminate  $\theta_1$ :

$$p_x^2 + p_y^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1a_2c\theta_2.$$



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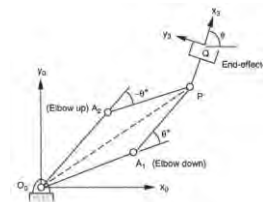
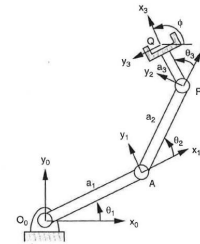
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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- we can eliminate  $\theta_1 \dots$   

$$p_x^2 + p_y^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1a_2c\theta_2.$$
- Then solve for  $\theta_{12}$ :  

$$\theta_2 = \cos^{-1} \kappa, \quad \kappa = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - a_1^2 - a_2^2}{2a_1a_2}$$
  - This gives 2 real ( $\mathbb{R}$ ) roots if  $|\kappa| < 1$
  - One double root if  $|\kappa| = 1$
  - No real roots if  $|\kappa| > 1$
- Elbow up/down: ➔
  - In general, if  $\theta_2$  is a solution **then**  $-\theta_2$  is a solution



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Solving for  $\theta_1 \dots$ 
  - Corresponding to each  $\theta_2$ , we can solve  $\theta_1$   

$$(a_1 + a_2c\theta_2)c\theta_1 - (a_2s\theta_2)s\theta_1 = p_x$$

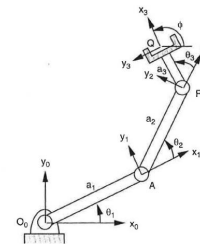
$$(a_2s\theta_2)c\theta_1 + (a_1 + a_2c\theta_2)s\theta_1 = p_y$$

$$c\theta_1 = \frac{p_x(a_1 + a_2c\theta_2) + p_y a_2 s\theta_2}{\Delta},$$

$$s\theta_1 = \frac{-p_x a_2 s\theta_2 + p_y(a_1 + a_2c\theta_2)}{\Delta}$$

$$\Delta = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1a_2c\theta_2$$

$$\theta_1 = \text{Atan2}(s\theta_1, c\theta_1).$$

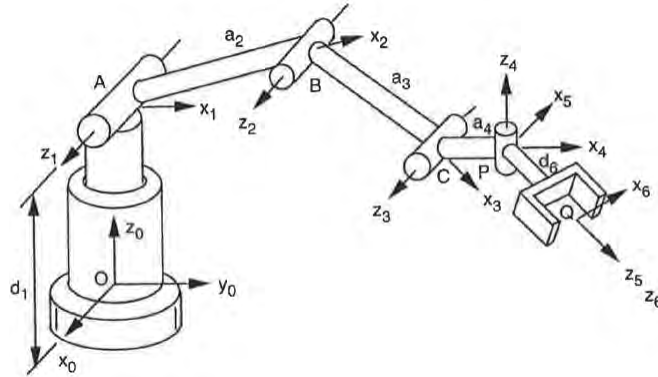


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## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

### Elbow Manipulator:



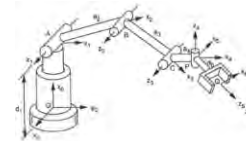
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## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Target Position:

$$\mathbf{u} = [u_x, u_y, u_z]^T, \quad \mathbf{v} = [v_x, v_y, v_z]^T, \quad \mathbf{w} = [w_x, w_y, w_z]^T, \quad \text{and} \\ \mathbf{p} = [p_x, p_y, p_z]^T.$$



- Transformation Matrices:

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_1 & -s\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_1 & c\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad ({}^0A_1)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_1 & s\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s\theta_1 & c\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_2 & 0 & -s\theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_2 & 0 & c\theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_3 & 0 & -s\theta_3 & a_2(1 - c\theta_3) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_3 & 0 & c\theta_3 & -a_2s\theta_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_4 & 0 & -s\theta_4 & (a_2 + a_3)(1 - c\theta_4) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_4 & 0 & c\theta_4 & -(a_2 + a_3)s\theta_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_5 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_5 & -s\theta_5 & 0 & (a_2 + a_3 + a_4)(1 - c\theta_5) \\ s\theta_5 & c\theta_5 & 0 & -(a_2 + a_3 + a_4)s\theta_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



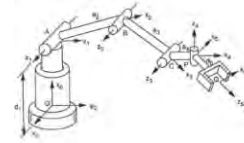
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## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Key Matrix Products:

$$A_2 A_3 A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{234} & 0 & -s\theta_{234} & a_2 c\theta_2 + a_3 c\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3) c\theta_{234} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_{234} & 0 & c\theta_{234} & a_2 s\theta_2 + a_3 s\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3) s\theta_{234} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_1 c\theta_{234} & -s\theta_1 & -c\theta_1 s\theta_{234} & c\theta_1 [a_2 c\theta_2 + a_3 c\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3) c\theta_{234}] \\ s\theta_1 c\theta_{234} & c\theta_1 & -s\theta_1 s\theta_{234} & s\theta_1 [a_2 c\theta_2 + a_3 c\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3) c\theta_{234}] \\ s\theta_{234} & 0 & c\theta_{234} & [a_2 s\theta_2 + a_3 s\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3) s\theta_{234}] \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Inverse Kinematics:

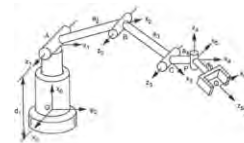
$$\mathbf{p} = A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4 \mathbf{p}_0.$$

$$A_1^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = A_2 A_3 A_4 \begin{bmatrix} a_2 + a_3 + a_4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_x c\theta_1 + p_y s\theta_1 = a_2 c\theta_2 + a_3 c\theta_{23} + a_4 c\theta_{234},$$

$$-p_x s\theta_1 + p_y c\theta_1 = 0,$$

$$p_z = a_2 s\theta_2 + a_3 s\theta_{23} + a_4 s\theta_{234}.$$





## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Solving the System:

$$\theta_1 = \tan^{-1} \frac{p_y}{p_x}.$$

$$\theta_5 = \sin^{-1}(-w_x s\theta_1 + w_y c\theta_1).$$

$$\theta_{234} = \text{Atan2} \left[ w_z / c\theta_5, (w_x c\theta_1 + w_y s\theta_1) / c\theta_5 \right].$$

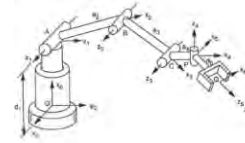
$$a_2 c\theta_2 + a_3 c\theta_{23} = k_1, \quad k_1 = p_x c\theta_1 + p_y s\theta_1 - a_4 c\theta_{234}$$

$$a_2 s\theta_2 + a_3 s\theta_{23} = k_2, \quad k_2 = p_z - a_4 s\theta_{234}$$

$$a_2^2 + a_3^2 + 2a_2 a_3 c\theta_3 = k_1^2 + k_2^2.$$

$$\theta_3 = \cos^{-1} \frac{k_1^2 + k_2^2 - a_2^2 - a_3^2}{2a_2 a_3}.$$

$$\theta_6 = \text{Atan2}(s\theta_6, c\theta_6).$$



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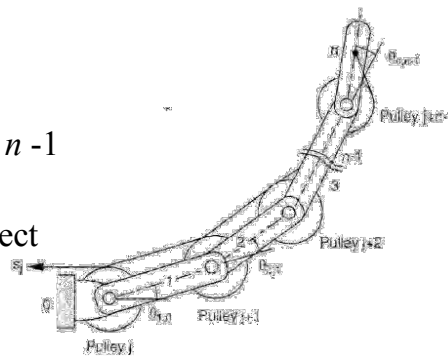
## Advanced Concept: Tendon-Driven Manipulators

- Tendons may be modelled as a transmission line
- in which the links are labeled sequentially from 0 to  $n$  and the pulleys are labeled from  $j$  to  $j + n - 1$
- Let  $\theta_{ji}$  denote the angular displacement of link  $j$  with respect to link  $i$ .
- We can write a circuit equation once for each pulley pair as follows:

$$r_{j+i-1} \theta_{j+i-1,i} = \pm r_{j+i} \theta_{j+i,i} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1.$$

$$\theta_{j+i-1,i} = \theta_{j+i-1,j-1} - \theta_{i,j-1} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

$$\theta_{j,0} = \theta_{1,0} \pm (r_{j+1}/r_j) \theta_{2,1} \pm \dots \pm (r_{j+n-1}/r_j) \theta_{n,n-1}.$$

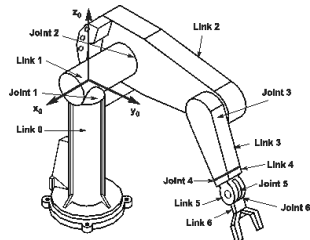


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# Inverse Kinematics

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



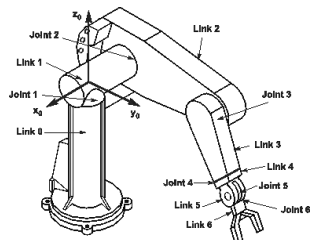
» A sufficient condition for a serial manipulator to yield a closed-form inverse kinematics solution is to have any three consecutive joint axes intersecting at a common point or any three consecutive joint axes parallel to each other. (Pieper and Roth (1969) via 4x4 matrix method)

» Raghavan and Roth 1990  
“Kinematic Analysis of the 6R Manipulator of General Geometry”

Tsai and Morgan 1985, “Solving the Kinematics of the Most General Six- and Five-Degree-of-Freedom Manipulators by Continuation Methods” (posted online)

# Inverse Kinematics

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



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

$$\begin{aligned} n_x &= c_1(c_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - s_{23}s_5c_6) - s_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ n_y &= s_1(c_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - s_{23}s_5c_6) + c_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ n_z &= -s_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - c_{23}s_5c_6 \\ s_x &= c_1(-c_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) + s_{23}s_5s_6) - s_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ s_y &= s_1(-c_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) + s_{23}s_5s_6) + c_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ s_z &= s_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) - c_{23}s_5s_6 \\ a_x &= c_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) - s_1s_4s_5 \\ a_y &= s_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + c_1s_4s_5 \\ a_z &= -s_{23}c_4s_5 + c_{23}c_5 \\ p_x &= c_1(d_6(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + s_{23}d_4 + a_3c_{23} + a_2c_2) - s_1(d_6s_4s_5 + d_2) \\ p_y &= s_1(d_6(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + s_{23}d_4 + a_3c_{23} + a_2c_2) + c_1(d_6s_4s_5 + d_2) \\ p_z &= d_6(c_{23}c_5 - s_{23}c_4s_5) + c_{23}d_4 - a_3s_{23} - a_2s_2 \end{aligned}$$

## 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).



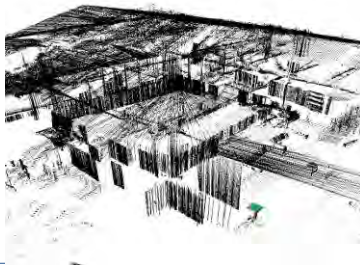
## Mobile Platforms

- 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



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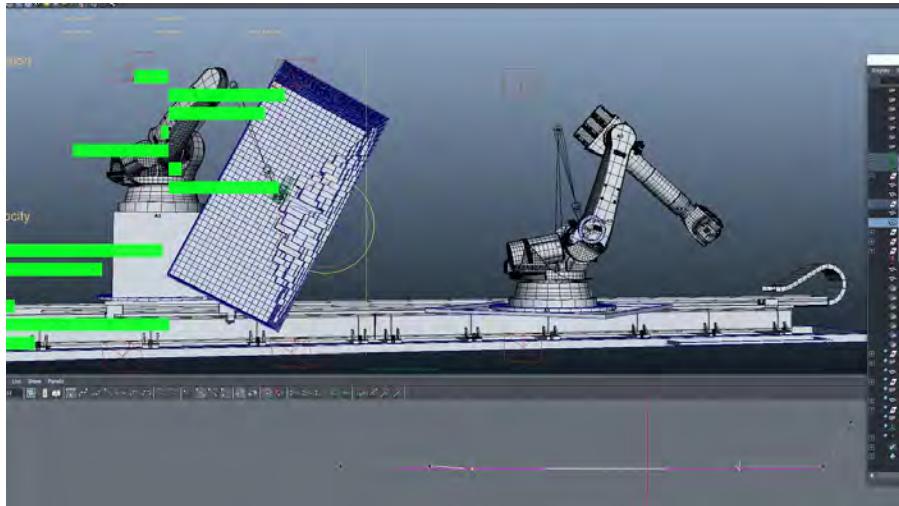
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## Summary

- 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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# Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics

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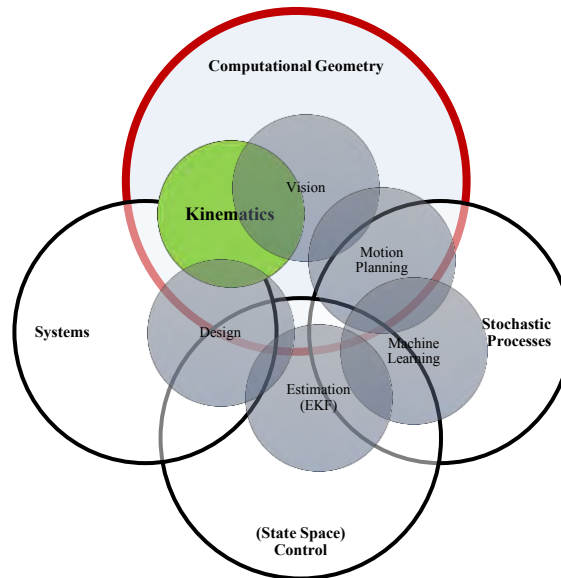
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1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& Ekka Day)
<b>4</b>	<b>17-Aug</b>	<b>Robot Inverse Kinematics &amp; Kinetics</b>
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry & Feature Detection
8	14-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization
9	21-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: SLAM
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	State-Space Modelling
12	19-Oct	Shaping the Dynamic Response
13	26-Oct	LQR + Course Review



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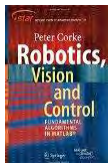
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[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

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Today

### → Representing Space ←

- RVC
  - Chapter 7: Robot Arm Kinematics
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- Inverse Kinematics
  - RVC
    - §7.3: Robot Arm Kinematics

Next Time

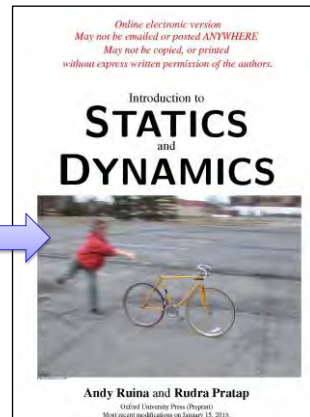


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## Reference Material



Online:  
<http://ruina.tam.cornell.edu/Book/RuinaPratap1-15-13.pdf>



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## Inverse Kinematics

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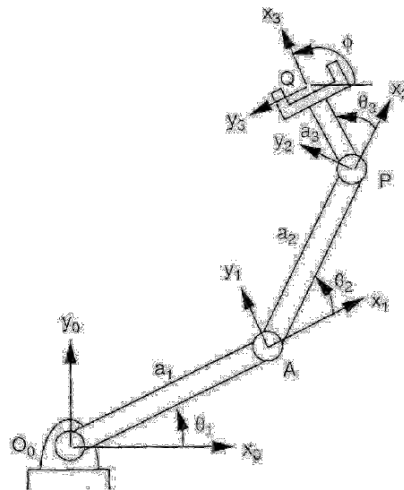
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## Inverse Kinematics [More Generally]

- Freudenstein (1973) referred to the inverse kinematics problem of the most general **6R** manipulator as the “Mount Everest” of kinematic problems.
- Tsai and Morgan (1985) and Primrose (1986) proved that this has at most 16 real solutions.
- Duffy and Crane (1980) derived a closed-form solution for the general **7R** single-loop spatial mechanism.
  - The solution was obtained in the form of a  $16 \times 16$  determinant in which every element is a second-degree polynomial in one joint variable. The determinant, when expanded, should yield a 32nd-degree polynomial equation and hence confirms the upper limit predicted by Roth *et al.* (1973).
- Tsai and Morgan (1985) used the homotopy continuation method to solve the inverse kinematics of the general 6R manipulator and found only 16 solutions
- Raghavan and Roth (1989, 1990) used the dalytic elimination method to derive a 16th-degree polynomial for the general 6R inverse kinematics problem.



## Example: FK/IK of a 3R Planar Arm



- Derived from Tsai (p. 63)



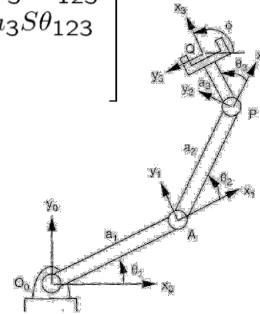
## Example: 3R Planar Arm [2]

Position Analysis: 3-Planar 1-R Arm rotating about **Z** [②]

$${}^0A_3 = {}^0A_1 \cdot {}^1A_2 \cdot {}^2A_3$$

Substituting gives:

$${}^0A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_{123} & -S\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12} + a_3C\theta_{123} \\ S\theta_{123} & C\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} + a_3S\theta_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Example: 3R Planar Arm [2]

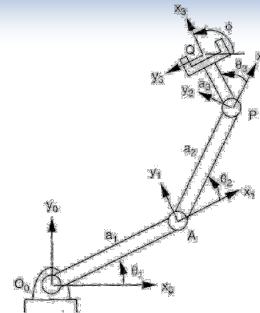
Forward Kinematics

(solve for **x** given **θ** → **x** = **f(θ)**)

Fairly straight forward:

$${}^0R_3 = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_{123} & -S\theta_{123} & 0 \\ S\theta_{123} & C\theta_{123} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1C\theta_1 + a_2C\theta_{12} + a_3C\theta_{123} \\ a_1S\theta_1 + a_2S\theta_{12} + a_3S\theta_{123} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



### Example: 3R Planar Arm [3]

#### Inverse Kinematics

(solve for  $\theta$  given  $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{x} = f(\theta)$ )

- Start with orientation  $\phi$ :

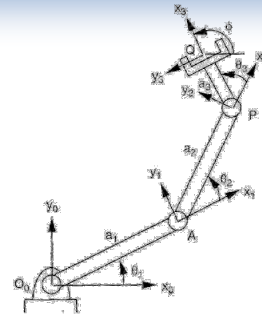
$$C\theta_{123} = C\phi, \quad S\theta_{123} = S\phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_{123} = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = \phi$$

- Get overall position  $\mathbf{q} = [q_x \quad q_y]$ :

$$q_x - a_3 C\phi = a_1 C\theta_1 + a_2 C\theta_{12}$$

$$q_y - a_3 S\phi = a_1 S\theta_1 + a_2 S\theta_{12} \dots$$



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### Example: 3R Planar Arm [4]

- Introduce  $\mathbf{p} = [p_x \quad p_y]$  before “wrist”

$$p_x = a_1 C\theta_1 + a_2 C\theta_{12}, \quad p_y = a_1 S\theta_1 + a_2 S\theta_{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_x^2 + p_y^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2$$

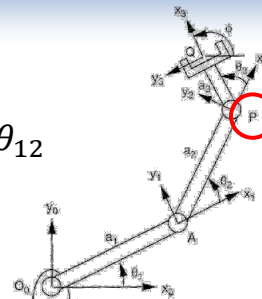
- Solve for  $\theta_2$ :

$$\theta_2 = \cos^{-1} \kappa, \quad \kappa = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - a_1^2 - a_2^2}{2a_1 a_2} \quad (2 \text{ } \mathbb{R} \text{ roots if } |\kappa| < 1)$$

- Solve for  $\theta_1$ :

$$C\theta_1 = \frac{p_x(a_1 + a_2 C\theta_2) + p_y a_2 S\theta_2}{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2}, \quad S\theta_1 = \frac{-p_x a_2 S\theta_2 + p_y(a_1 + a_2 C\theta_2)}{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 C\theta_2}$$

$$\theta_1 = \text{atan2}(S\theta_1, C\theta_1)$$

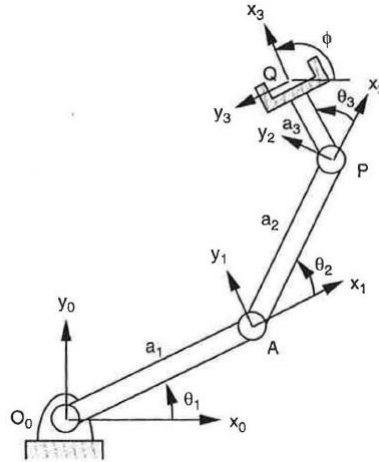


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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

### Planar Manipulator:



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

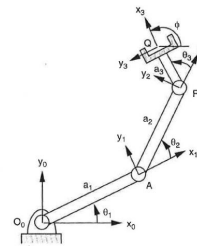
- Forward Kinematics:

[For the Frame {Q} at the end effector]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_x \\ q_y \\ q_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^0A_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$${}^0A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{123} & -s\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ s\theta_{123} & c\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- For an arbitrary point **G** in the end effector:  ${}^3\mathbf{g} = [g_u, g_v, 0, 1]^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} g_x \\ g_y \\ g_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^0A_3 \begin{bmatrix} g_u \\ g_v \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_u c\theta_{123} - g_v s\theta_{123} + a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ g_u s\theta_{123} + g_v c\theta_{123} + a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Forward Kinematics:

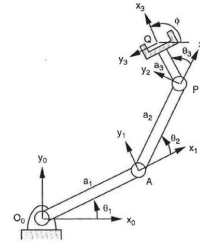
[For the Frame {Q} at the end effector]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_x \\ q_y \\ q_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^0A_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore {}^0A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{123} & -s\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ s\theta_{123} & c\theta_{123} & 0 & a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- For an arbitrary point **G** in the end effector:  ${}^3\mathbf{g} = [g_u, g_v, 0, 1]^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} g_x \\ g_y \\ g_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^0A_3 \begin{bmatrix} g_u \\ g_v \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_u c\theta_{123} - g_v s\theta_{123} + a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12} + a_3 c\theta_{123} \\ g_u s\theta_{123} + g_v c\theta_{123} + a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12} + a_3 s\theta_{123} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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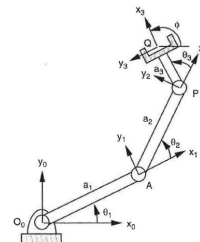
## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Inverse Kinematics:

- Set the final position equal to the Forward Transformation Matrix  ${}^0A_3$ :

$${}^0A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c\phi & -s\phi & 0 & q_x \\ s\phi & c\phi & 0 & q_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The solution strategy is to equate the elements of  ${}^0A_3$  to that of the given position  $(q_x, q_y)$  and orientation  $\phi$



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Orientation ( $\phi$ ):

$$c\theta_{123} = c\phi,$$

$$s\theta_{123} = s\phi.$$

$$\theta_{123} = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = \phi.$$

- Now Position of the 2DOF point **P**:

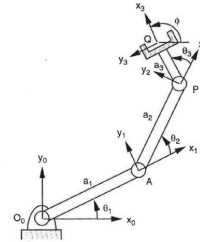
$$p_x = a_1 c\theta_1 + a_2 c\theta_{12},$$

$$p_y = a_1 s\theta_1 + a_2 s\theta_{12},$$

$$\therefore p_x = q_x - a_3 c\phi \quad p_y = q_y - a_3 s\phi$$

- Substitute:  $\theta_3$  disappears and now we can eliminate  $\theta_1$ :

$$p_x^2 + p_y^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1a_2c\theta_2.$$



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- we can eliminate  $\theta_1 \dots$

$$p_x^2 + p_y^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1a_2c\theta_2.$$

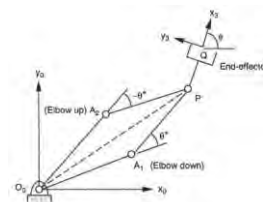
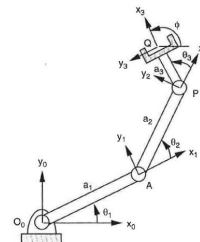
- Then solve for  $\theta_{12}$ :

$$\theta_2 = \cos^{-1} \kappa, \quad \kappa = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - a_1^2 - a_2^2}{2a_1a_2}$$

- This gives 2 real ( $\mathbb{R}$ ) roots if  $|\kappa| < 1$
- One double root if  $|\kappa| = 1$
- No real roots if  $|\kappa| > 1$

- Elbow up/down:

- In general, **if**  $\theta_2$  is a solution **then**  $-\theta_2$  is a solution



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example I

- Solving for  $\theta_1$ ...

- Corresponding to each  $\theta_2$ , we can solve  $\theta_1$

$$(a_1 + a_2 c\theta_2) c\theta_1 - (a_2 s\theta_2) s\theta_1 = p_x$$

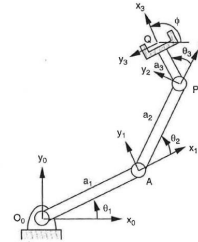
$$(a_2 s\theta_2) c\theta_1 + (a_1 + a_2 c\theta_2) s\theta_1 = p_y$$

$$c\theta_1 = \frac{p_x(a_1 + a_2 c\theta_2) + p_y a_2 s\theta_2}{\Delta},$$

$$s\theta_1 = \frac{-p_x a_2 s\theta_2 + p_y(a_1 + a_2 c\theta_2)}{\Delta}$$

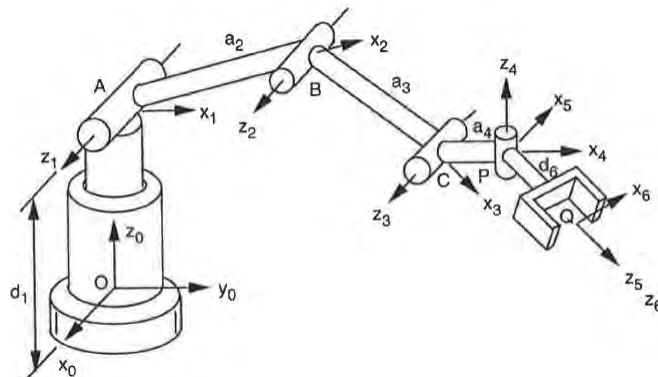
$$\Delta = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 c\theta_2$$

$$\theta_1 = \text{Atan2}(s\theta_1, c\theta_1)$$



## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

### Elbow Manipulator:

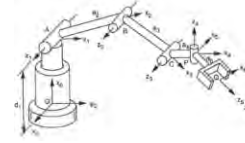




## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Target Position:

$$\mathbf{u} = [u_x, u_y, u_z]^T, \quad \mathbf{v} = [v_x, v_y, v_z]^T, \quad \mathbf{w} = [w_x, w_y, w_z]^T, \quad \text{and} \\ \mathbf{p} = [p_x, p_y, p_z]^T.$$



- Transformation Matrices:

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_1 & -s\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_1 & c\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad {}^0A_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_1 & s\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s\theta_1 & c\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_2 & 0 & -s\theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_2 & 0 & c\theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_3 & 0 & -s\theta_3 & a_2(1 - c\theta_3) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_3 & 0 & c\theta_3 & -a_2s\theta_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_4 & 0 & -s\theta_4 & (a_2 + a_3)(1 - c\theta_4) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_4 & 0 & c\theta_4 & -(a_2 + a_3)s\theta_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_5 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_5 & -s\theta_5 & 0 & (a_2 + a_3 + a_4)(1 - c\theta_5) \\ s\theta_5 & c\theta_5 & 0 & -(a_2 + a_3 + a_4)s\theta_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



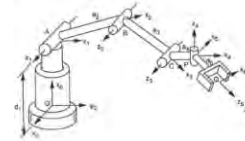
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## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Key Matrix Products:

$$A_2 A_3 A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{234} & 0 & -s\theta_{234} & a_2c\theta_2 + a_3c\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3)c\theta_{234} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s\theta_{234} & 0 & c\theta_{234} & a_2s\theta_2 + a_3s\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3)s\theta_{234} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_1 c\theta_{234} & -s\theta_1 & -c\theta_1 s\theta_{234} & c\theta_1 [a_2c\theta_2 + a_3c\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3)c\theta_{234}] \\ s\theta_1 c\theta_{234} & c\theta_1 & -s\theta_1 s\theta_{234} & s\theta_1 [a_2c\theta_2 + a_3c\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3)c\theta_{234}] \\ s\theta_{234} & 0 & c\theta_{234} & [a_2s\theta_2 + a_3s\theta_{23} - (a_2 + a_3)s\theta_{234}] \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Inverse Kinematics:

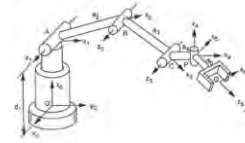
$$\mathbf{p} = A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4 \mathbf{p}_0.$$

$$A_1^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = A_2 A_3 A_4 \begin{bmatrix} a_2 + a_3 + a_4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_x c\theta_1 + p_y s\theta_1 = a_2 c\theta_2 + a_3 c\theta_{23} + a_4 c\theta_{234},$$

$$-p_x s\theta_1 + p_y c\theta_1 = 0,$$

$$p_z = a_2 s\theta_2 + a_3 s\theta_{23} + a_4 s\theta_{234}.$$



## Inverse Kinematics: Example II

- Solving the System:

$$\theta_1 = \tan^{-1} \frac{p_y}{p_x}.$$

$$\theta_5 = \sin^{-1}(-w_x s\theta_1 + w_y c\theta_1).$$

$$\theta_{234} = \text{Atan2} \left[ w_z / c\theta_5, (w_x c\theta_1 + w_y s\theta_1) / c\theta_5 \right].$$

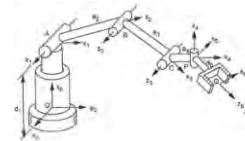
$$a_2 c\theta_2 + a_3 c\theta_{23} = k_1, \quad k_1 = p_x c\theta_1 + p_y s\theta_1 - a_4 c\theta_{234}$$

$$a_2 s\theta_2 + a_3 s\theta_{23} = k_2, \quad k_2 = p_z - a_4 s\theta_{234}$$

$$a_2^2 + a_3^2 + 2a_2 a_3 c\theta_3 = k_1^2 + k_2^2.$$

$$\theta_3 = \cos^{-1} \frac{k_1^2 + k_2^2 - a_2^2 - a_3^2}{2a_2 a_3}.$$

$$\theta_6 = \text{Atan2}(s\theta_6, c\theta_6).$$



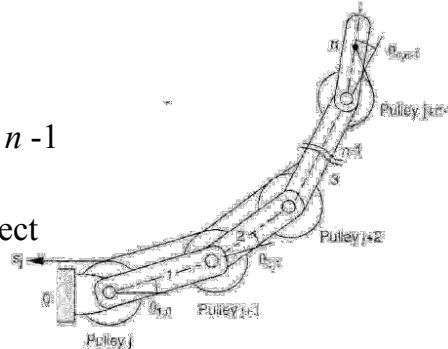
## Advanced Concept: Tendon-Driven Manipulators

- Tendons may be modelled as a transmission line
- in which the links are labeled sequentially from 0 to  $n$  and the pulleys are labeled from  $j$  to  $j + n - 1$
- Let  $\theta_{ji}$  denote the angular displacement of link  $j$  with respect to link  $i$ .
- We can write a circuit equation once for each pulley pair as follows:

$$r_{j+i-1}\theta_{j+i-1,i} = \pm r_{j+i}\theta_{j+i,i} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1.$$

$$\theta_{j+i-1,i} = \theta_{j+i-1,j-1} - \theta_{i,j-1} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

$$\theta_{j,0} = \theta_{1,0} \pm (r_{j+1}/r_j)\theta_{2,1} \pm \dots \pm (r_{j+n-1}/r_j)\theta_{n,n-1}.$$

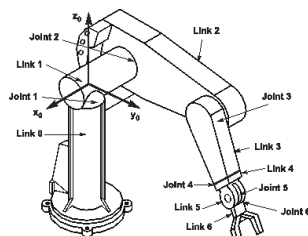


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## Inverse Kinematics

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



» A sufficient condition for a serial manipulator to yield a closed-form inverse kinematics solution is to have any three consecutive joint axes intersecting at a common point or any three consecutive joint axes parallel to each other. (Pieper and Roth (1969) via  $4 \times 4$  matrix method)

» Raghavan and Roth 1990  
“Kinematic Analysis of the 6R Manipulator of General Geometry”

» Tsai and Morgan 1985, “Solving the Kinematics of the Most General Six- and Five-Degree-of-Freedom Manipulators by Continuation Methods” (posted online)

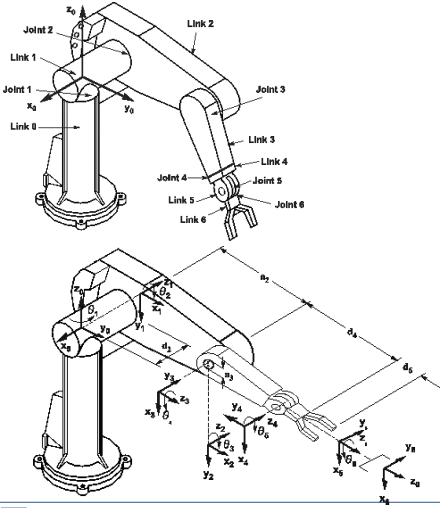


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## Inverse Kinematics

- What about a more complicated mechanism?



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

$$\begin{aligned} n_x &= c_1(c_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - s_{23}s_5c_6) - s_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ n_y &= s_1(c_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - s_{23}s_5c_6) + c_1(s_4c_5c_6 + c_4s_6) \\ n_z &= -s_{23}(c_4c_5c_6 - s_4s_6) - c_{23}s_5c_6 \\ s_x &= c_1(-c_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) + s_{23}s_5s_6) - s_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ s_y &= s_1(-c_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) + s_{23}s_5s_6) + c_1(-s_4c_5s_6 + c_4c_6) \\ s_z &= s_{23}(c_4c_5s_6 + s_4c_6) - c_{23}s_5s_6 \\ a_x &= c_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) - s_1s_4s_5 \\ a_y &= s_1(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + c_1s_4s_5 \\ a_z &= -s_{23}c_4s_5 + c_{23}c_5 \\ p_x &= c_1(d_6(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + s_{23}d_4 + a_3c_{23} + a_2c_2) - s_1(d_6s_4s_5 + d_2) \\ p_y &= s_1(d_6(c_{23}c_4s_5 + s_{23}c_5) + s_{23}d_4 + a_3c_{23} + a_2c_2) + c_1(d_6s_4s_5 + d_2) \\ p_z &= d_6(c_{23}c_5 - s_{23}c_4s_5) + c_{23}d_4 - a_3s_{23} - a_2s_2 \end{aligned}$$

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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).

## 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?

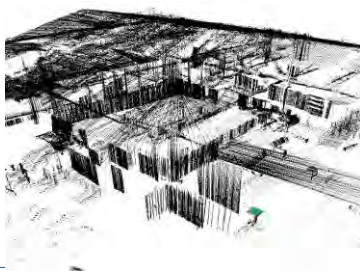


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## Mobile Platforms [2]

- 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



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## Summary

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



## 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

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

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



## 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, <b>order of contact</b> : 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, $l_\infty$ .
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, <b>I, J</b> (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

p.44, R. Hartley and A. Zisserman. *Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision*



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## Homogenous Coordinates

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

- $\rho$  is a scaling value



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# Homogenous Transformation



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





- $\gamma$  is a projective transformation
- The Homogenous Transformation is a **linear operation** (even if projection is not)



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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, $\pi_\infty$ , (see section 3.5).
Similarity 7 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		The absolute conic, $\Omega_\infty$ , (see section 3.6).
Euclidean 6 dof	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$		Volume.

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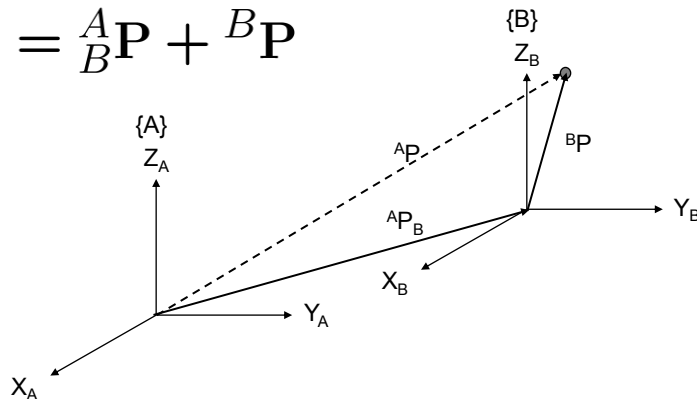
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## Coordinate Transformations [1]

- Translation Again:  
If  $\{B\}$  is translated with respect to  $\{A\}$  **without rotation**, then it is a vector sum

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



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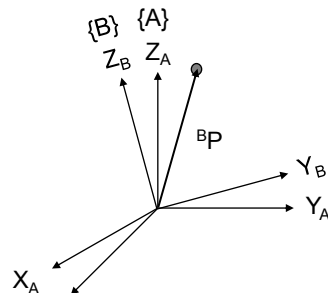
## Coordinate Transformations [2]

- 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  $\{A\}$



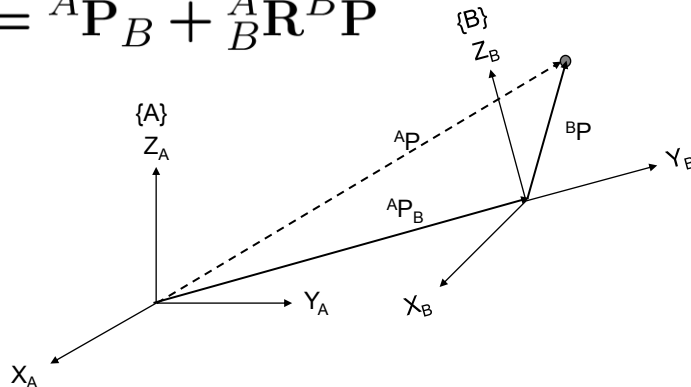
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## Coordinate Transformations [3]

- 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**

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

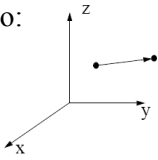
- This allows us to cast the rotation and translation of the general transform in a single matrix form

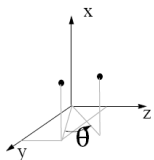
$$\begin{bmatrix} {}^A\mathbf{P} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^A_B\mathbf{T} \begin{bmatrix} {}^B\mathbf{P} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

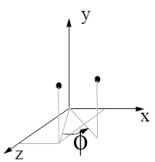


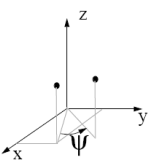
## General Coordinate Transformations [2]

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



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


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


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


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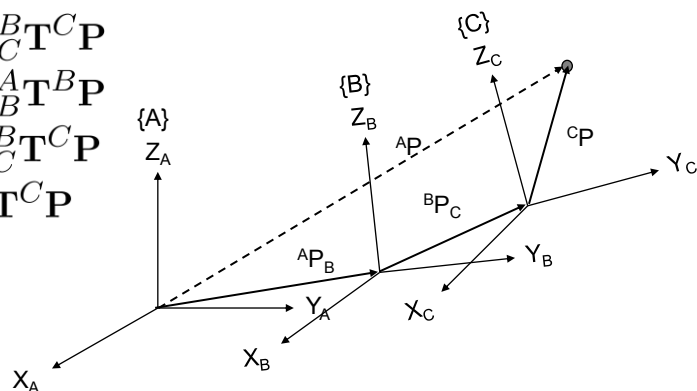
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## General Coordinate Transformations [3] ★

- Multiple transformations compounded as a chain

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



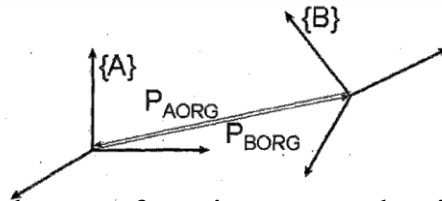
$${}^A\mathbf{T}_C = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A\mathbf{R}_B {}^B\mathbf{R}_C & {}^A\mathbf{P}_B + {}^A\mathbf{R}_B {}^B\mathbf{P}_C \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Inverse of a Homogeneous Transformation Matrix



- The inverse of the transform is **not** equal to its transpose because this  $4 \times 4$  matrix is not orthonormal ( $T^{-1} \neq T^T$ )
- Invert by parts to give:

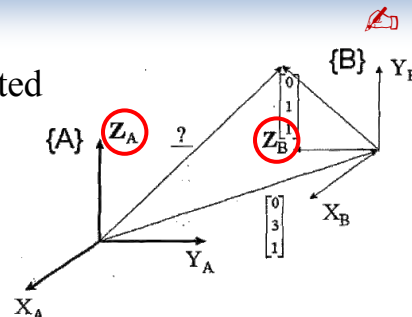
$${}^A_B T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^A_B R & {}^A \mathbf{p}_{Borg/O_A} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^A_B T^{-1} = {}^B_A T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_A R^T & -{}^B_A R^T \cdot {}^A \mathbf{p}_{Borg/O_A} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_A R & {}^B \mathbf{p}_{Aorg/O_B} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Tutorial Problem

The origin of frame  $\{B\}$  is translated to a position  $[0 \ 3 \ 1]$  with respect to frame  $\{A\}$ .



We would like to find:

- The homogeneous transformation between the two frames in the figure.
- For a point  $P$  defined as  $[0 \ 1 \ 1]$  in frame  $\{B\}$ , we would like to find the vector describing this point with respect to frame  $\{A\}$ .



## Tutorial Solution

- The matrix  ${}^B T^A$  is formed as defined earlier:

$${}^A T^B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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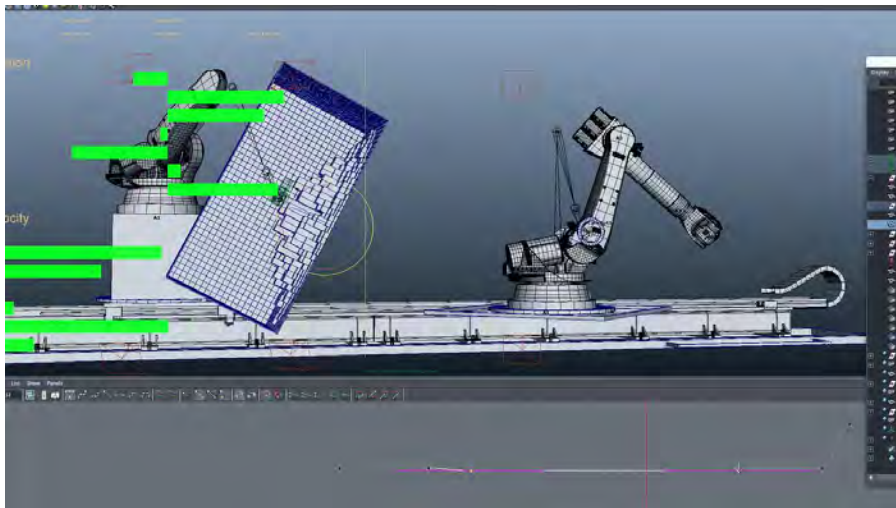
$$\Rightarrow {}^A \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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## Robot Dynamics



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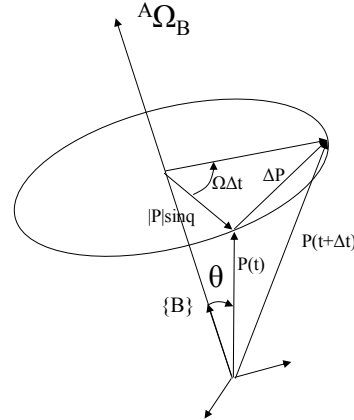
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## Angular Velocity

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

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$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}_P = \mathbf{A}\Omega_B \times \mathbf{A}\mathbf{R}_B \mathbf{P}$$



## Velocity

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

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

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- This can be rewritten as

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



## Skew – Symmetric Matrix

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

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

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- Quaternions

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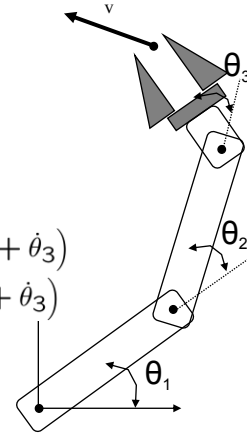
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- This gives the end effector velocity as a function of pose and joint velocities



## Manipulator Velocities [2]



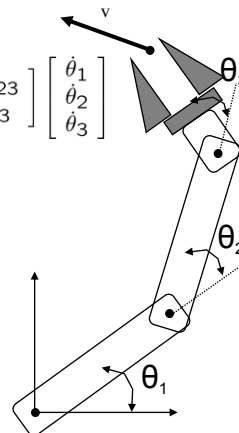
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- Or

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

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- Consider a manipulator (say 2DOF, RR)  
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## Differential Motion [2]

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$$dx = Jd\theta$$

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

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→ Therefore ... they **commute**



## Summary

- Many ways to handle motion
  - Direct Kinematics
  - Dynamics
- Homogenous transformations
  - Based on homogeneous coordinates





# Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)

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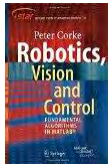
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1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& <i>Ekka Day</i> )
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
<b>5</b>	<b>24-Aug</b>	<b>Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)</b>
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry & Feature Detection
8	14-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization
9	21-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: SLAM
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	State-Space Modelling
12	19-Oct	Shaping the Dynamic Response
13	26-Oct	LQR + Course Review



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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

[UQ Library eBook:](#)  
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Today

### → Representing Space ←

- RVC
  - Chapter 9: Dynamics and Control
- Khatib (pp. 81-150)
  - Chapter 4: Jacobian
  - Chapter 5: Dynamics

- Vision
  - Chapter 11: Image Formation
  - (optimally) Chapter 10: Light & Color

Next Time



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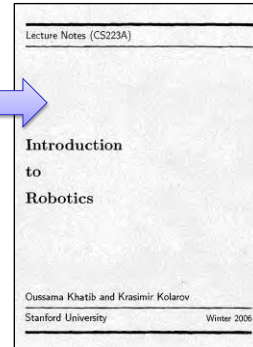
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## Angular Velocity

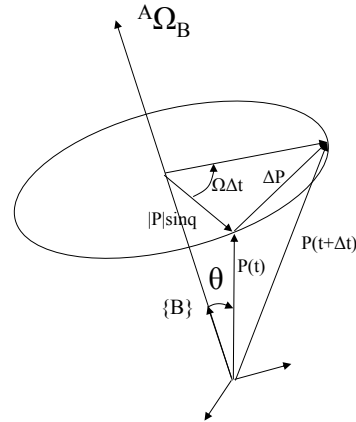
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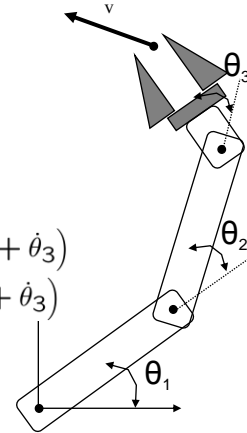
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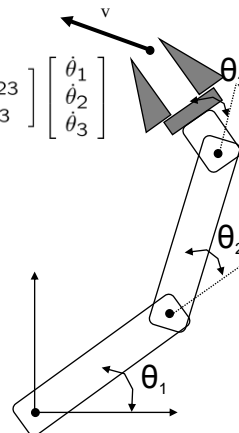
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## The Jacobian



- 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]

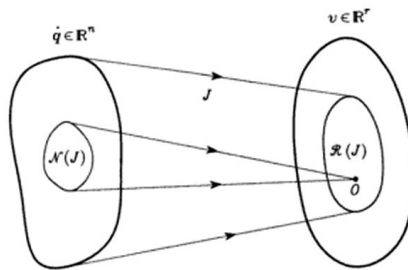


Image: Sciavicco and Siciliano,  
Modelling and Control of Robot  
Manipulators, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed, 2000

- 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)

$$\therefore \mathbf{v} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \epsilon_i \mathbf{v}_i + \bar{\epsilon}_i (\omega_i \times \mathbf{p}_{i-1}^i) \right) \quad \omega = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{\epsilon}_i (\dot{\theta}_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{\epsilon}_i \mathbf{z}_i (\dot{\theta}_i) \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{v} = J_v \dot{\mathbf{q}} \quad \quad \quad \boldsymbol{\omega} = J_\omega \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

- 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

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

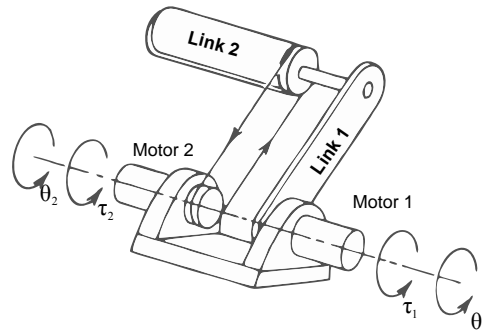
- The Jacobian for a particular frame (F) can be expressed:

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

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



## Motivating Example: Remotely Driven 2DOF Manipulator



- Introduce  $Q_1 = \tau_1 + \tau_2$  and  $Q_2 = \tau_2$
- Derivation posted to website

Graphic based on Asada & Slotine p. 112



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## 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



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## 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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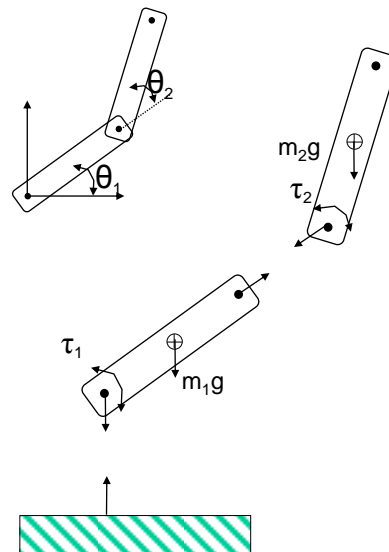
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## Dynamics – Newton-Euler

- 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



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## 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

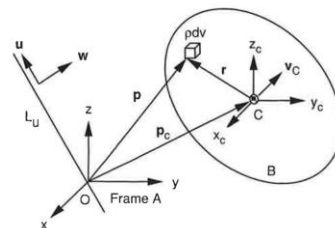
$$I_{uw}^O = I_u^O \cdot \mathbf{w} = \int_V [(u^T \mathbf{w}) p^2 - (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{u}) (\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{w})] \rho dV$$

- 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

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



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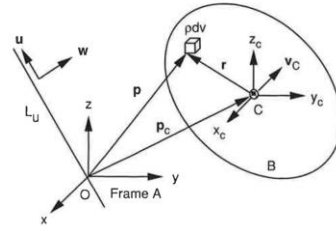
## Dynamics: Mass Matrix & Inertia Matrix

- This can be written in a Matrix form as:

$$\mathbf{I}_u^O = \mathbf{I}_B^O \mathbf{u}$$

- Where  $\mathbf{I}_B^O$  is the inertial matrix or inertial tensor of the body B about a reference point O

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



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

If CM is the center of mass, then:

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



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## Dynamics: Mass Matrix

- The Mass Matrix: Determining via the Jacobian!

$$\mathbf{K} = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{K}_i$$

$$\mathbf{K}_i = \frac{1}{2} (m_i \mathbf{v}_{C_i}^T \mathbf{v}_{C_i} + \omega_i^T \mathbf{I}_{C_i} \omega_i)$$

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

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

$$\therefore \mathbf{M} = \sum_{i=1}^N (m_i \mathbf{J}_{v_i}^T \mathbf{J}_{v_i} + \mathbf{J}_{\omega_i}^T \mathbf{I}_{C_i} \mathbf{J}_{\omega_i})$$

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



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## 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

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

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

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

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

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

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



## Dynamics – Langrangian Mechanics [3]

- The Mass Matrix: Determining via the Jacobian!

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

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

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

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

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

! 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

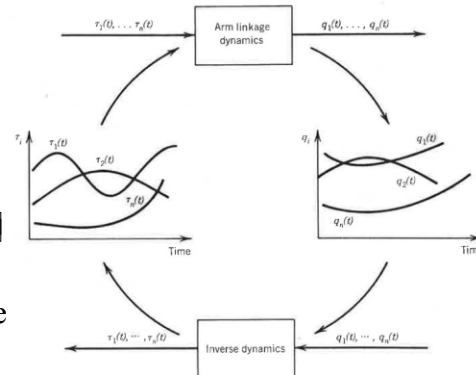
$$KE = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{p}}^T \mathbf{H}^* \dot{\mathbf{p}} \quad \mathbf{G}^* = (\mathbf{J}^{-1})^T \mathbf{G}$$

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



## 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 & Slotine p. 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

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

- 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:

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

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

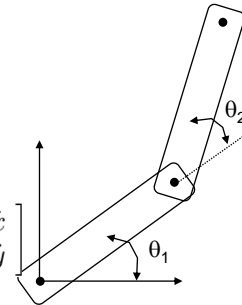
- The Jacobian for this is

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

- 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



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## 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

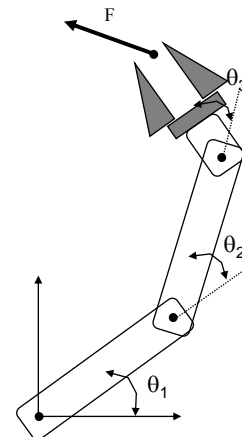
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- So that

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

- Or

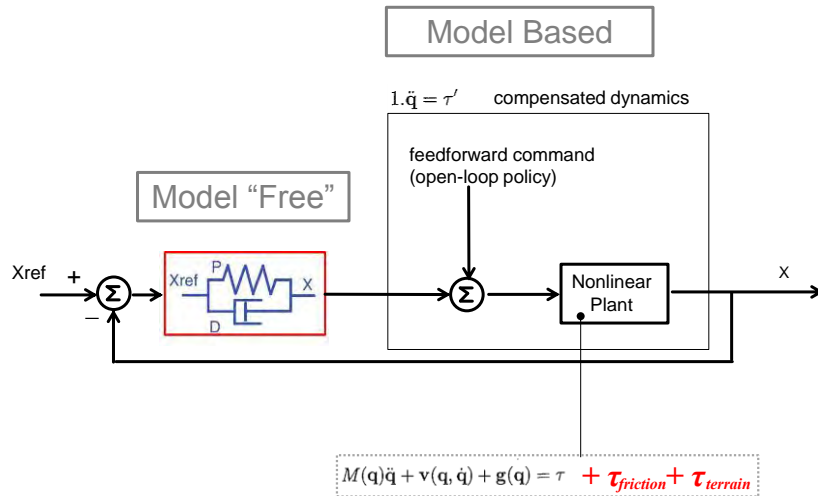
$$\tau = \mathbf{J}^T F$$



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## Operation Space (Computed Torque)



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## Compensated Manipulation



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## Dynamics of Parallel Manipulators

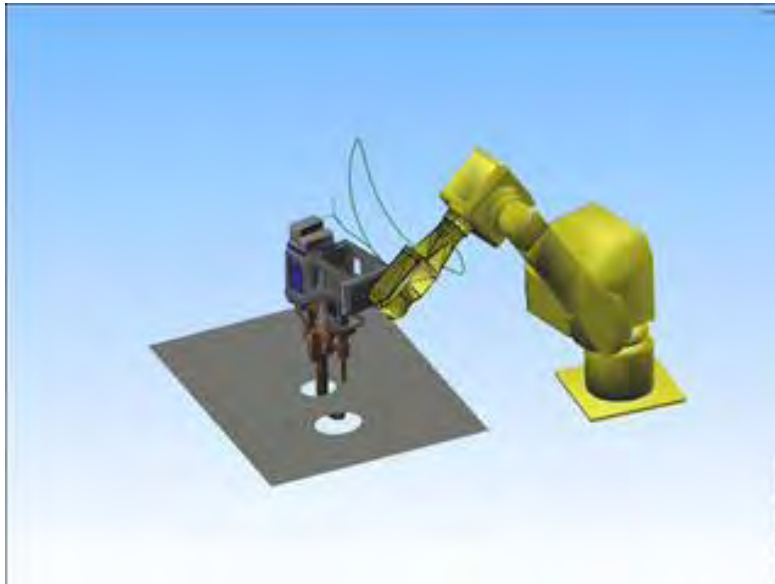
- Traditional Newton-Euler formulation:
  - Equations of motion to be written once for each body of a manipulator
  - Large number of equations
- Lagrangian formulation
  - eliminates all of the unwanted reaction forces and moments at the outset.
  - It is more efficient than the Newton- Euler formulation
  - Numerous constraints imposed by closed loops of a parallel manipulator
- To simplify the problem
  - Lagrangian Multipliers are often introduced
  - Principle of virtual work



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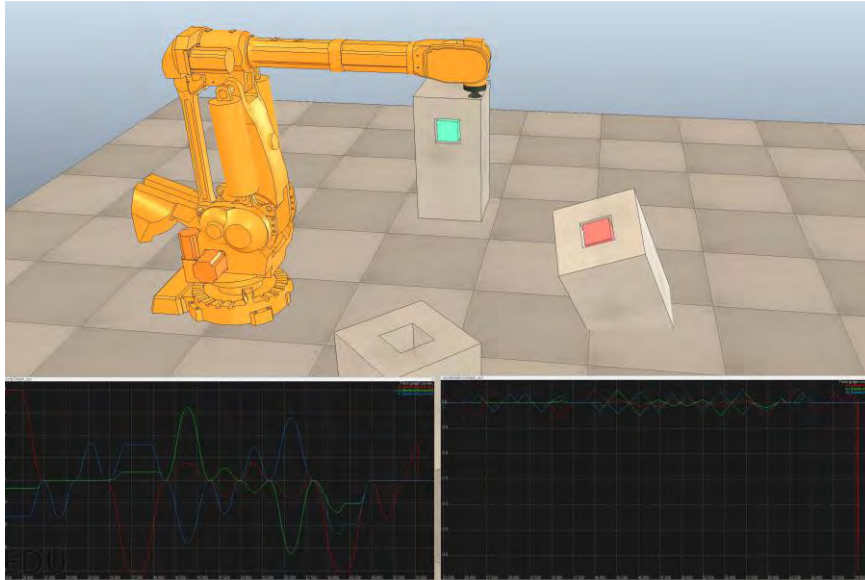
## Trajectory Generation & Planning



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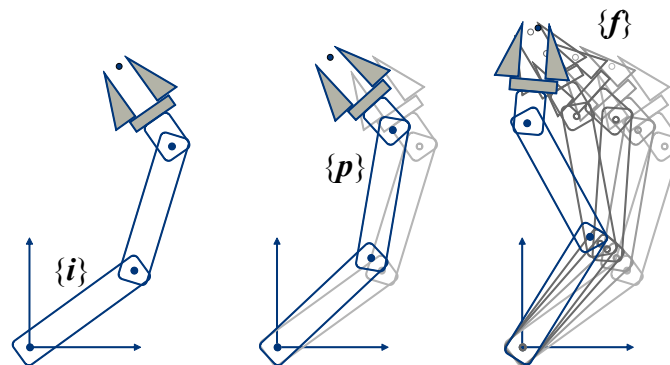


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## Trajectory Generation

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



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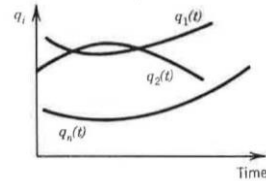
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## Joint Space

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

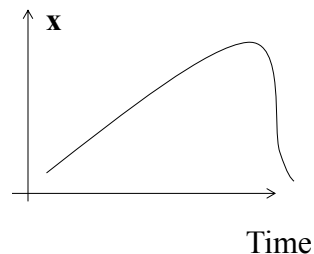
- + Since we control the joints, this is more direct
- -- If we want to follow a particular trajectory, not easy
  - at best lots of intermediate points
  - No guarantee that you can solve the Inverse Kinematics for all path points



## Cartesian Workspace

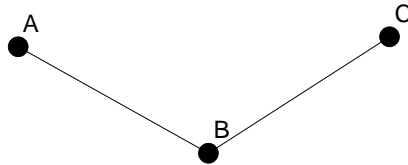
Consider the **Cartesian positions** as a function of time

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

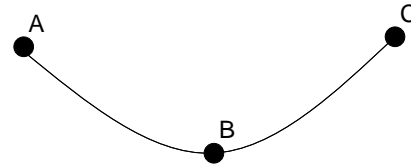


## Polynomial Trajectories

- 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



<http://www.coppeliarobotics.com/>



<http://www.reflexxes.com/>



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## Cool Robotics Share



Boston Dynamics



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## Cool Robotics Share (II)



Source: Youtube: Wired, How the Tesla Model S is Made



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## Cool Robotics Share (III)



Source: New Kinova Arm in the Robotics Design Lab!



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# Robot Sensing Perception & Linear Observers

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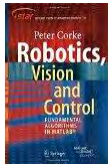
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1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& Ekka Day)
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	<b>Robot Sensing: Perception &amp; Linear Observers</b>
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry & Feature Detection
8	14-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization
9	21-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: SLAM
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	State-Space Modelling
12	19-Oct	Shaping the Dynamic Response
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by [Peter Corke](#)

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- Vision
  - Chapter 11: Image Formation
  - Chapter 14: Using Multiple Images
    - § 14.2 Geometry of Multiple Views

- Multiple View Geometry
  - Hartley & Zisserman:
    - Chapter 6: Camera Models
    - Chapter 7: Camera Matrix (P)

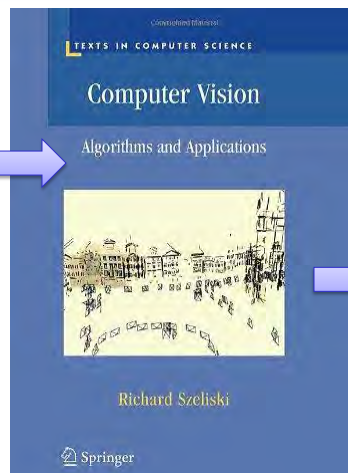
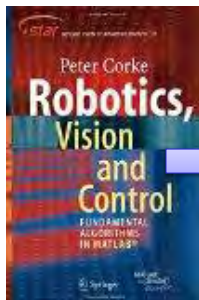
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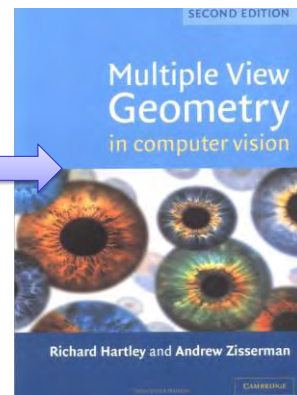
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# Robot Dynamics (leftovers!)

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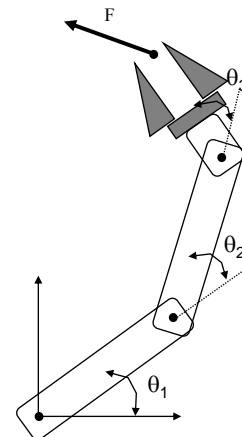
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$$F^T \mathbf{J} = \tau^T$$

- Or

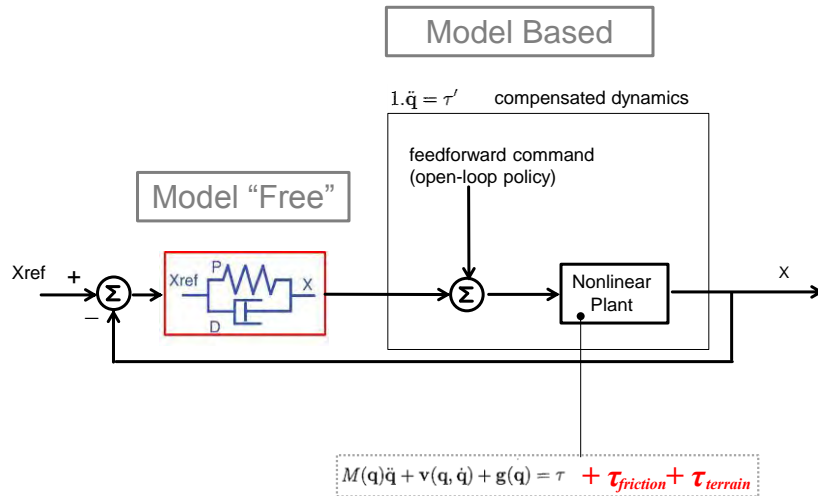
$$\tau = \mathbf{J}^T F$$



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## Operation Space (Computed Torque)



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## Compensated Manipulation



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## Dynamics of Parallel Manipulators

- Traditional Newton-Euler formulation:
  - Equations of motion to be written once for each body of a manipulator
  - Large number of equations
- Lagrangian formulation
  - eliminates all of the unwanted reaction forces and moments at the outset.
  - It is more efficient than the Newton- Euler formulation
  - Numerous constraints imposed by closed loops of a parallel manipulator
- To simplify the problem
  - Lagrangian Multipliers are often introduced
  - Principle of virtual work

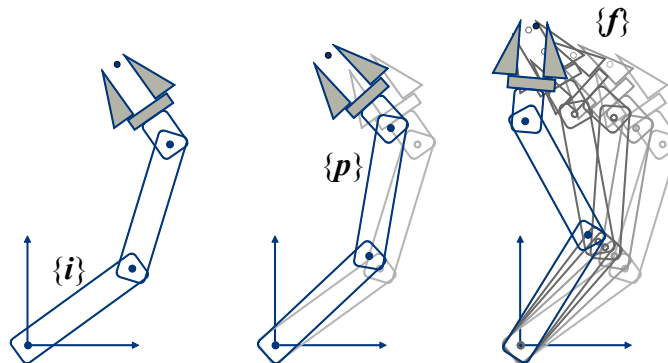


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## Trajectory Generation

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



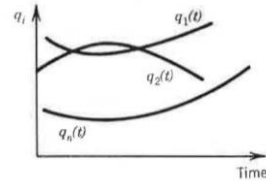
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## Joint Space

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

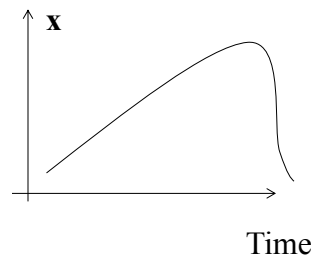
- + Since we control the joints, this is more direct
- -- If we want to follow a particular trajectory, not easy
  - at best lots of intermediate points
  - No guarantee that you can solve the Inverse Kinematics for all path points



## Cartesian Workspace

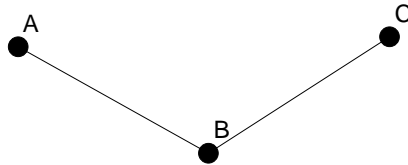
Consider the **Cartesian positions** as a function of time

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

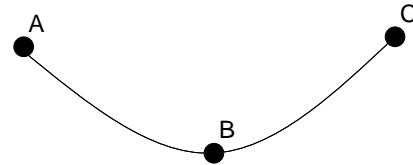


## Polynomial Trajectories

- Straight line Trajectories
- Polynomial Trajectories



- Simpler

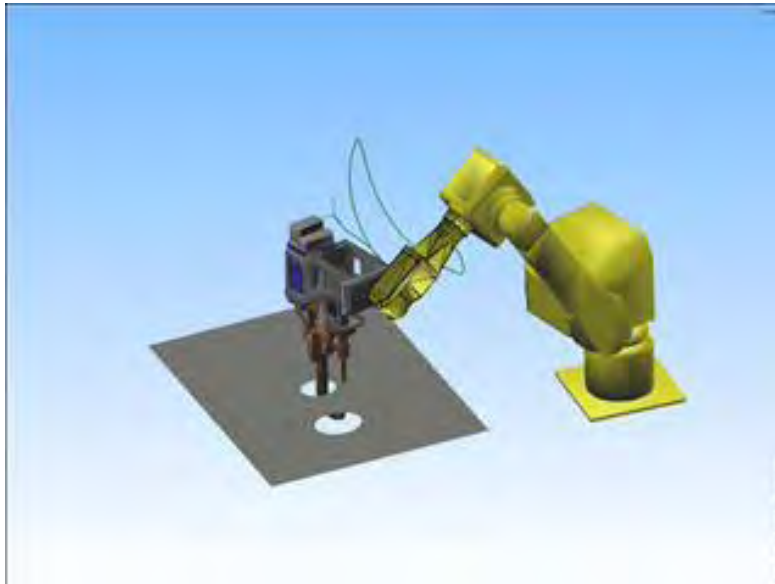


$$u(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3$$

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



## Trajectory Generation & Planning



## Dynamic Simulation Software



<http://www.coppeliarobotics.com/>



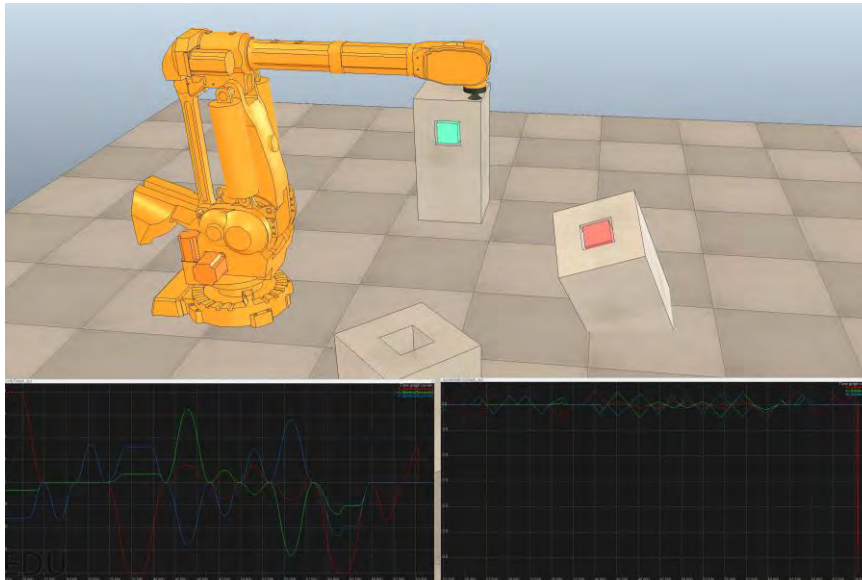
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## Trajectory Generation & Planning



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# Sensing: Image Formation / Single-View Geometry

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## Quick Outline

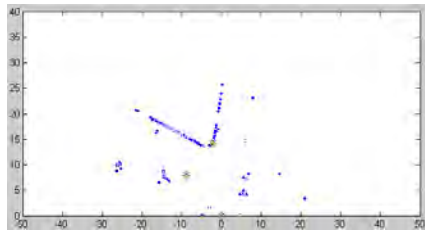
- Frames
- Kinematics
- ➔ “Sensing Frames” (in space) ➔ Geometry in Vision
- 1. **Perception ➔ Camera Sensors**
  1. Image Formation
    - ➔ “Computational Photography”
  2. Calibration
  3. Features
  4. Stereopsis and depth
  5. Optical flow



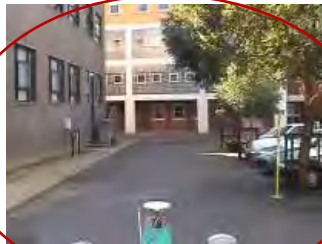
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## Sensor Information: Mostly (but not only) Cameras!



Laser



Vision/Cameras



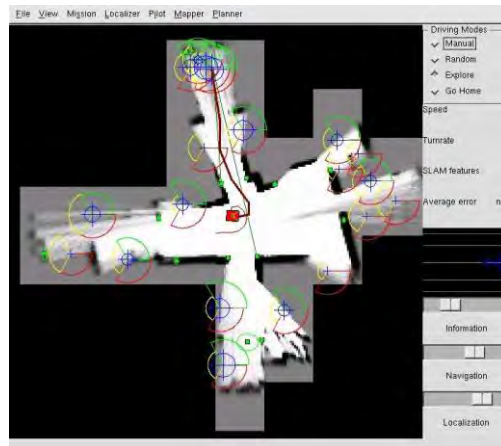
GPS



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## Mapping: Indoor robots



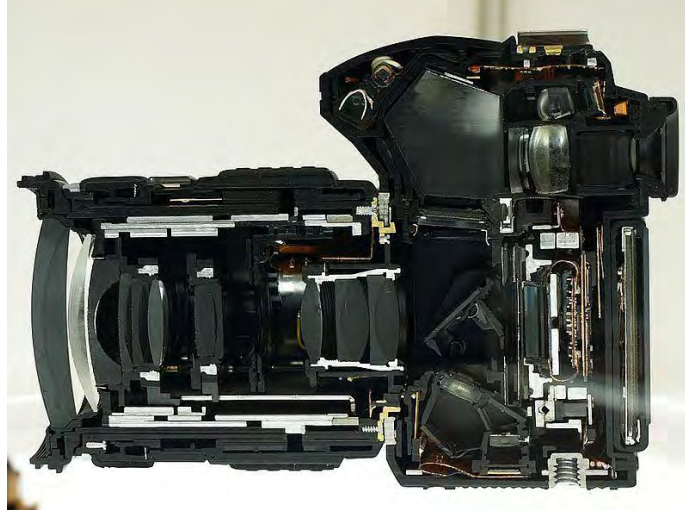
ACFR, IROS 2002



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# Cameras



Wikipedia, E-30-Cutmodel

## Cameras: A $3D \Rightarrow 2D$ Photon Counting Sensor\*

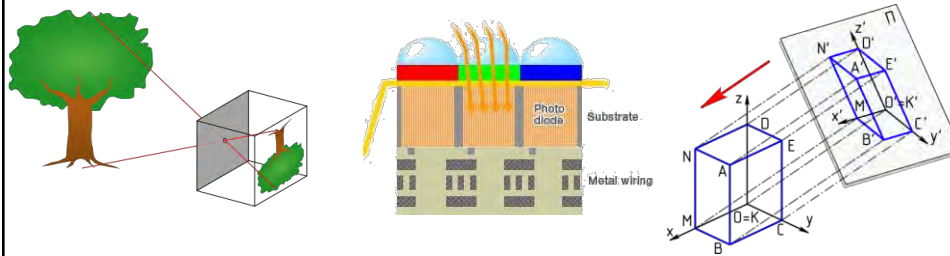


Image Formation  $\rightarrow$  Image Sensing  $\rightarrow$  (Re)Projection

Sources: [Wikipedia, Pinhole Camera](#), [Sony sensor](#), [Wikipedia, Graphical projection](#).

\* Well Almost... RGB-D and Light-Field cameras can be seen as giving  $3D \Rightarrow 3D$



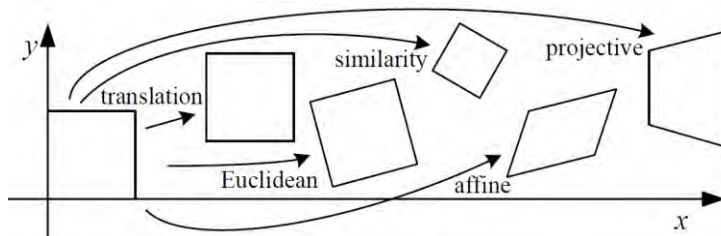
## Camera Image Formation: $3D \mapsto 2D \Rightarrow$ **Perspective!**



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## Transformations



- $\underline{x}'$ : New Image &  $\underline{x}$ : Old Image

- Euclidean:  
(Distances preserved)

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

- Similarity (Scaled Rotation):  
(Angles preserved)

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

Fig. 2.4 from Szeliski, *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*

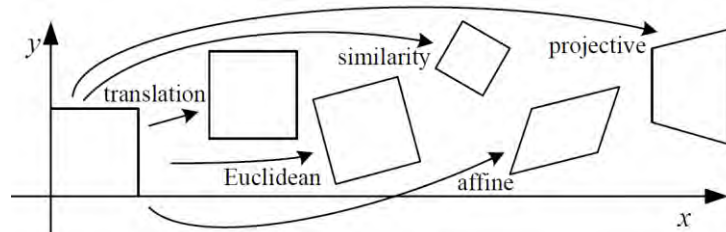


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## Transformations [2]



- Affine :  
(|| lines remain ||)

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & a_{02} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

- Projective:  
(straight lines preserved)  
H: Homogenous 3x3 Matrix

$$\underline{x}' = \mathbf{H} \underline{x}$$

$$x' = \frac{h_{00}x + h_{01}y + h_{02}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}}$$

$$y' = \frac{h_{10}x + h_{11}y + h_{12}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}}$$

Fig. 2.4 from Szeliski, Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications



## 2-D Transformations

➔  $\underline{x}'$  = point in the **new** (or 2<sup>nd</sup>) image

➔  $\underline{x}$  = point in the old image

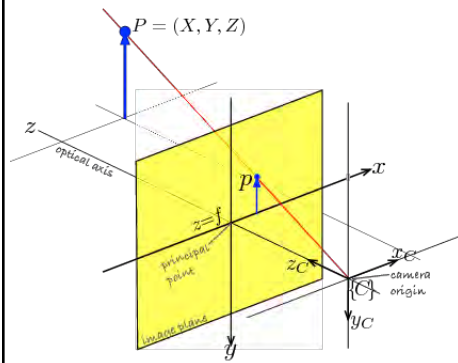
- Translation  $\underline{x}' = \underline{x} + \underline{t}$
- Rotation  $\underline{x}' = \mathbf{R} \underline{x} + \underline{t}$
- Similarity  $\underline{x}' = s\mathbf{R} \underline{x} + \underline{t}$
- Affine  $\underline{x}' = \mathbf{A} \underline{x}$
- Projective  $\underline{x}' = \mathbf{A} \underline{x}$

here,  $\underline{x}$  is an inhomogeneous pt (2-vector)

$\underline{x}'$  is a homogeneous point



## Image Formation – Single View Geometry



$$\frac{Y}{Z} = \frac{y}{f} \quad \frac{X}{Z} = \frac{x}{f}$$

$$x = \frac{fX}{Z}, y = \frac{fY}{Z}$$

$$(X, Y, Z) \mapsto (x, y)$$

$$\mathbb{R}^3 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^2$$

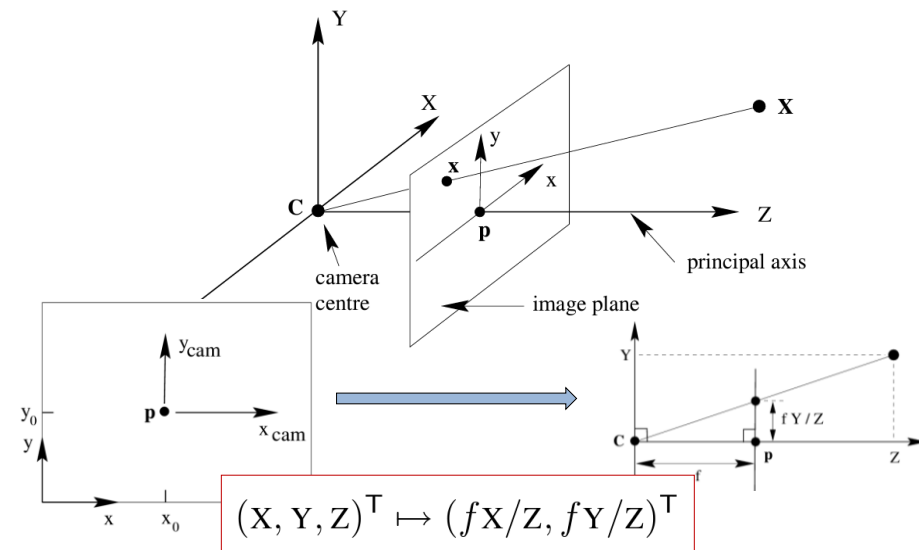
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## Image Formation – Single View Geometry [I]



$$(X, Y, Z)^T \mapsto (fX/Z, fY/Z)^T$$

Hartly & Zisserman, Ch. 6



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## Image Formation – Single View Geometry [II]

### → Camera Projection Matrix

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{world}} \mapsto \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} fX + Zp_x \\ fY + Zp_y \\ Z \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{camera}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f & p_x & 0 \\ & f & p_y \\ & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Intrinsics}} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $x$  = Image point
- $\mathbf{X}$  = World point
- $K$  = Camera Calibration Matrix

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x & 0 \\ & f & p_y \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = K[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]\mathbf{x}_{\text{cam}}.$$

### → Perspective Camera as:

where:  $P$  is  $3 \times 4$  and of **rank 3**

$$P = K[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}]$$

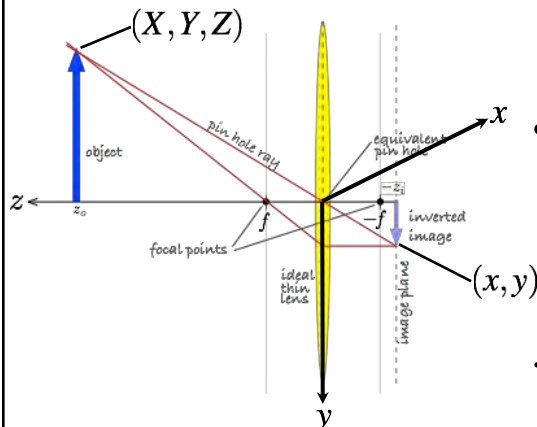


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## Image Formation: (Thin-Lens) Projection model

$$\bullet \quad x = \frac{fX}{Z}, y = \frac{fY}{Z}$$



$$\bullet \quad \frac{1}{z_0} + \frac{1}{z_i} = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$\therefore \text{ as } z_0 \rightarrow \infty, z_i \rightarrow f$$

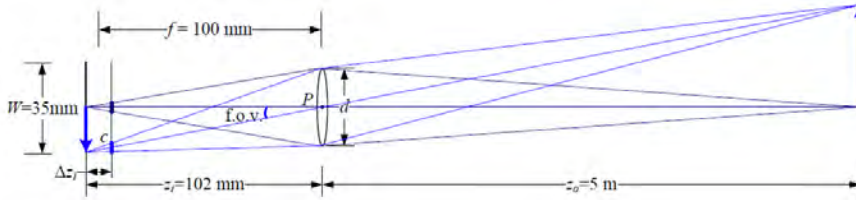
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## Image Formation: Simple Lens Optics $\cong$ Thin-Lens



$$\frac{1}{z_0} + \frac{1}{z_1} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Sec. 2.2 from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



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## Calibration matrix

- Is this form of  $\mathbf{K}$  good enough?
- non-square pixels (digital video)
- skew
- radial distortion

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_c \\ 0 & f & v_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{X}_c$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} fa & s & u_c \\ 0 & f & v_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{K}$$

From Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



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## Calibration

See: *Camera Calibration Toolbox for Matlab*

([http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouguetj/calib\\_doc/](http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouguetj/calib_doc/))

- **Intrinsic: Internal Parameters**
  - **Focal length:** The focal length in pixels.
  - **Principal point:** The principal point
  - **Skew coefficient:**  
The skew coefficient defining the angle between the x and y pixel axes.
  - **Distortions:** The image distortion coefficients (radial and tangential distortions) (typically two quadratic functions)
- **Extrinsics: Where the Camera (image plane) is placed:**
  - **Rotations:** A set of 3x3 rotation matrices for each image
  - **Translations:** A set of 3x1 translation vectors for each image

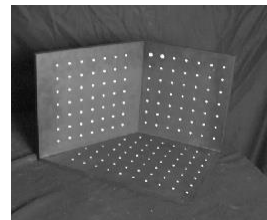


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## Camera calibration

- Determine camera parameters from known 3D points or calibration object(s)
- internal or intrinsic parameters such as focal length, optical center, aspect ratio:  
what kind of camera?
- external or extrinsic (pose) parameters:  
where is the camera?
- How can we do this?



From Szeliski, *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*



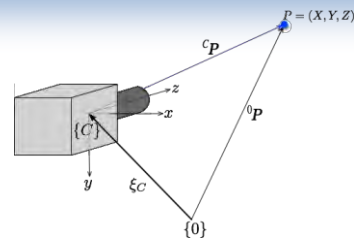
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## Complete camera model

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\rho_u} & 0 & u_0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\rho_v} & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{K}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}}_{\mathbf{C}} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



extrinsic parameters

intrinsic parameters

camera matrix

Image and Slide  
from: Corke, Ch. 11



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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations”[I]: Lens Optics (Aperture / Depth of Field)

$$N = \frac{f}{\#} = \frac{f}{d}$$



[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Aperture\\_in\\_Canon\\_50mm\\_f1.8\\_II\\_lens.jpg](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Aperture_in_Canon_50mm_f1.8_II_lens.jpg)

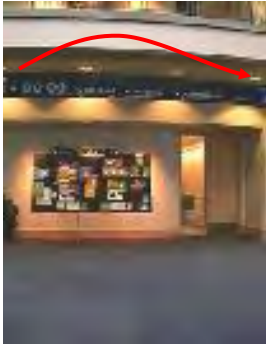


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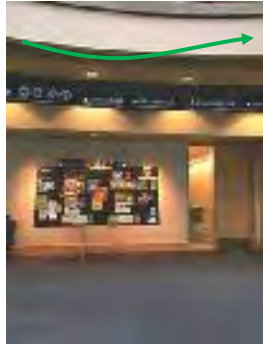
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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations”[II]: Lens Distortions

Barrel



Pincushion



Fisheye



→ Explore these with `visualize_distortions` in the [Camera Calibration Toolbox](#)

Fig. 2.1.3 from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)

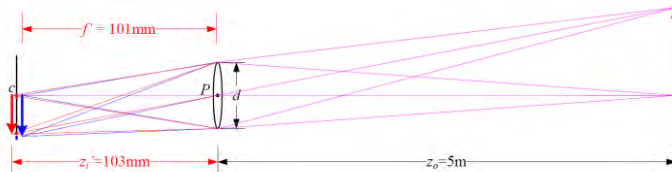


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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations” [II]: Lens Optics: Chromatic Aberration

- Chromatic Aberration:



- In a lens subject to chromatic aberration, light at different wavelengths (e.g., the red and blue arrows) is focused with a different focal length  $f'$  and hence a different depth  $z_i$ , resulting in both a geometric (in-plane) displacement and a loss of focus

Sec. 2.2 from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



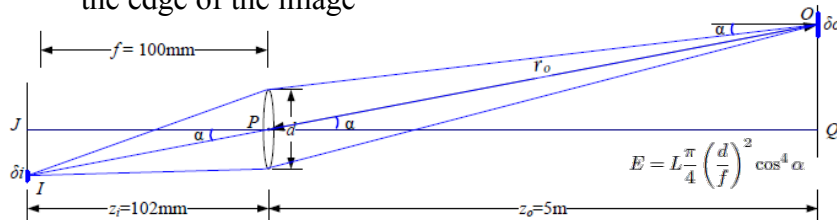
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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations” [III]: Lens Optics: Vignetting

- Vignetting:

- The tendency for the brightness of the image to fall off towards the edge of the image



- The amount of light hitting a pixel of surface area  $\delta i$  depends on the square of the ratio of the aperture diameter  $d$  to the focal length  $f$ , as well as the fourth power of the off-axis angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\cos^4 \alpha$

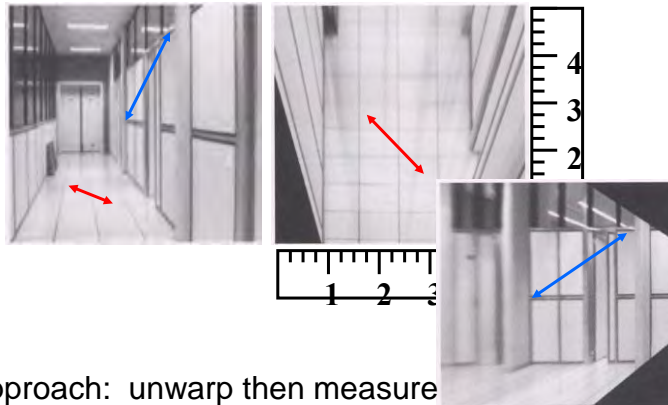
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## Measurements on Planes (You can not just add a tape measure!)



Approach: unwrap then measure

Slide from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



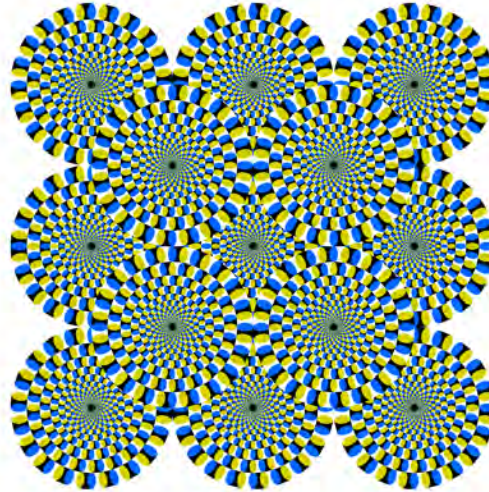
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## Perception

- Making Sense from Sensors



[http://www.michaelbach.de/ot/mot\\_rotsnake/index.html](http://www.michaelbach.de/ot/mot_rotsnake/index.html)

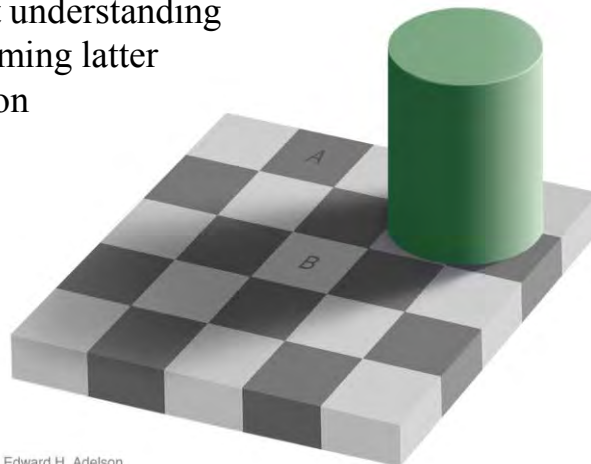


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## Perception

- Perception is about understanding the image for informing latter robot / control action



Edward H. Adelson

[http://web.mit.edu/persci/people/adelson/checkershadow\\_illusion.html](http://web.mit.edu/persci/people/adelson/checkershadow_illusion.html)

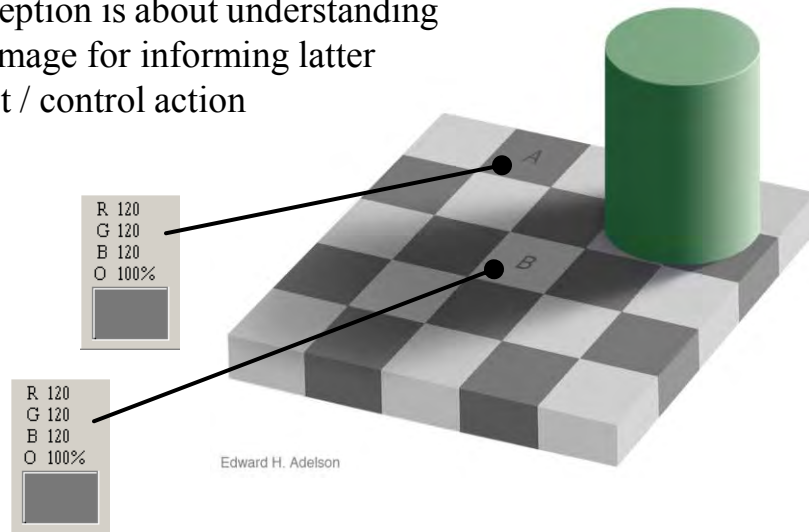


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## Basic Features:

Colour

Edges & Lines

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## Features -- Colour Features

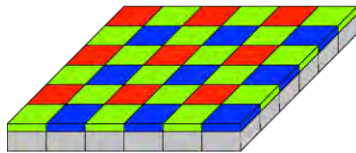
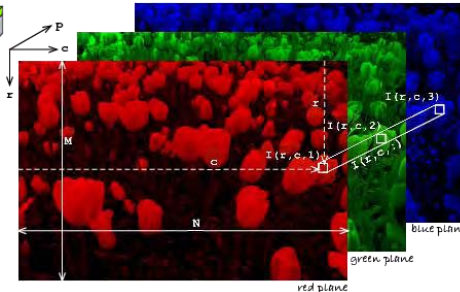


Fig: Ch. 10, *Robotics Vision and Control*

### Bayer Patterns



- RGB is **NOT** an absolute (metric) colour space
- Also!
- **RGB** (display or additive colour) does not map to **CYMK** (printing or subtractive colour) without calibration
- **Y-Cr-Cb** or **HSV** does not solve this either

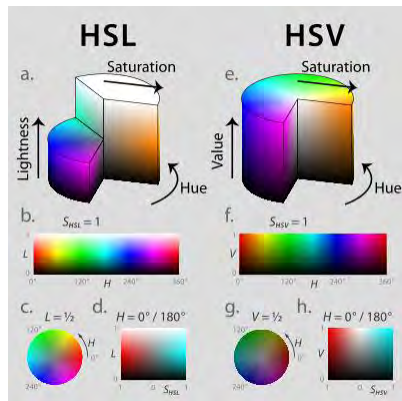


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## Colour Spaces

- HSV



Source: Wikipedia – HSV and YCrCb

- YCrCb

→ Gamma Corrected Luma (Y) + Chrominance

→ BW → Colour TVs : Just add the Chrominance

→  $\gamma$  Correction: CRTs  $\gamma=2.2-2.5$

$$\begin{aligned} Y' &= 16 + (65.481 \cdot R' + 128.553 \cdot G' + 24.966 \cdot B') \\ C_B &= 128 + (-37.797 \cdot R' - 74.203 \cdot G' + 112.0 \cdot B') \\ C_R &= 128 + (112.0 \cdot R' - 93.786 \cdot G' - 18.214 \cdot B') \end{aligned}$$

- L\*ab



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## How to get the Features? Still MANY Ways

- Canny edge detector:



## Subtractive (CMYK) & Uniform (L\*ab) Color Spaces

- $C = W - R$
- $M = W - G$
- $Y = W - B$
- $K = -W \text{ ☺}$
- A Uniform color space is one in which the distance in coordinate space is a fair guide to the significance of the difference between the two colors
- Start with RGB  $\rightarrow$  CIE XYZ (Under [Illuminant D65](#))

$$L^* = 116(Y/Y_n)^{(1/3)} - 16$$

$$a^* = 500 \left[ (X/X_n)^{(1/3)} - (Y/Y_n)^{(1/3)} \right]$$

$$b^* = 200 \left[ (Y/Y_n)^{(1/3)} - (Z/Z_n)^{(1/3)} \right]$$



## Edge Detection

- Canny edge detector:
  - Pepsi Sequence:

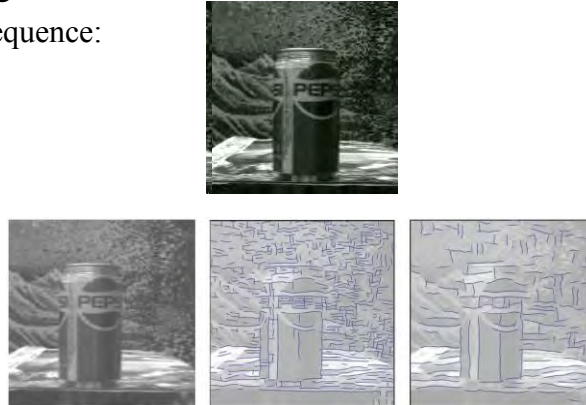


Image Data: <http://www.cs.brown.edu/~black/mixtureOF.html> and Szeliski, CS223B-L9

See also: Use of Temporal information to aid segmentation:

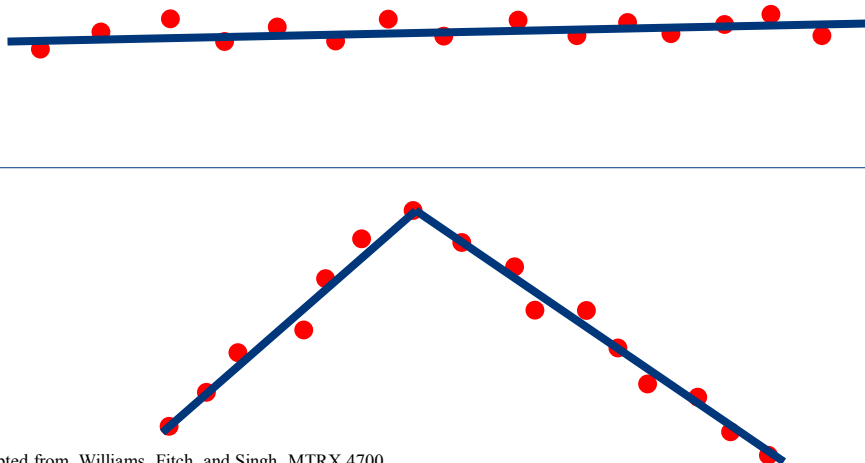
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## Line Extraction and Segmentation



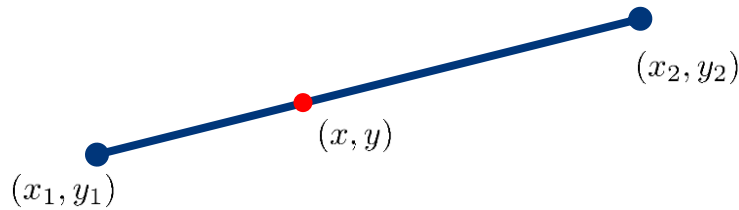
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## Line Formula



$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$y = m\mathbf{x} + b$$

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## Line Estimation



Least squares minimization of the line:

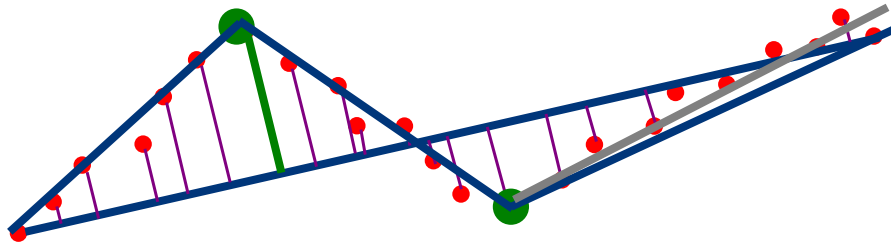
- Line Equation:  $y - m\mathbf{x} - b = 0$

- Error in Fit:  $\sum_i (y_i - mx_i - b)^2$

- Solution:  $\begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}\bar{y} \\ \bar{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}^2 & \bar{x} \\ \bar{x} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m \\ b \end{pmatrix}$

Adopted from Williams, Fitch, and Singh, MTRX 4700

## Line Splitting / Segmentation



- What about corners?
- ➔ Split into multiple lines (via expectation maximization)
  1. Expect (assume) a number of lines  $N$  (say 3)
  2. Find “breakpoints” by finding nearest neighbours upto a threshold or simply at random (RANSAC)
  3. How to know  $N$ ? (Also RANSAC)

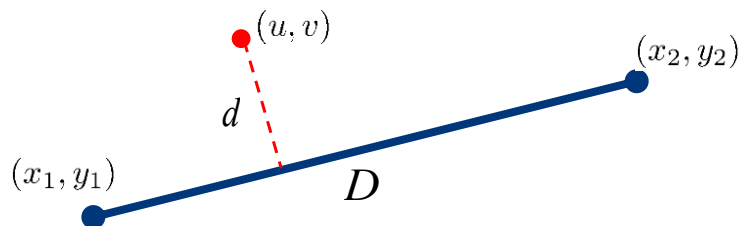
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## ⊥ of a Point from a Line Segment



$$r = u(y_1 - y_2) + v(x_2 - x_1) + y_2x_1 - y_1x_2$$

$$d = \frac{r}{D}$$

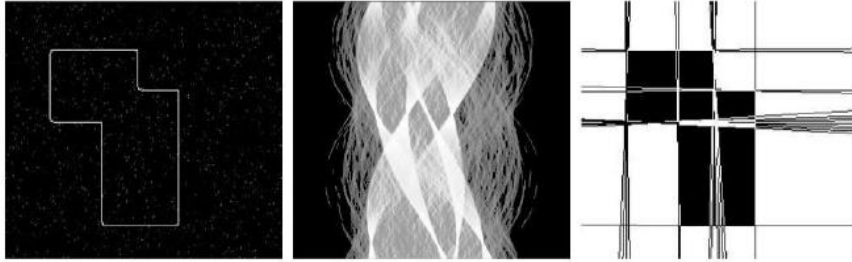
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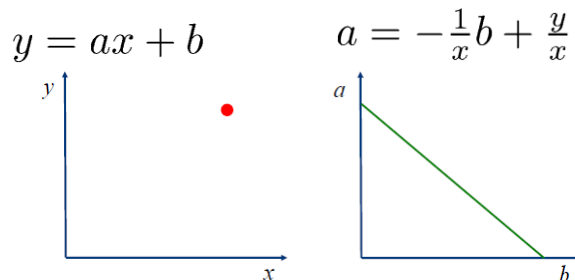
## Hough Transform



- Uses a voting mechanism
- Can be used for other lines and shapes (not just straight lines)



## Hough Transform: Voting Space

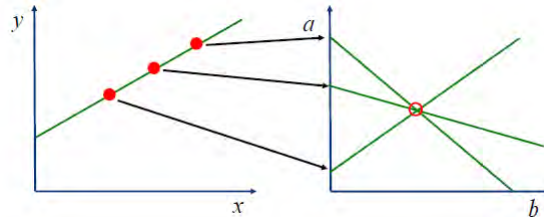


- Count the number of lines that can go through a point and move it from the “x-y” plane to the “a-b” plane
- There is only a one-“infinite” number (a line!) of solutions (not a two-“infinite” set – a plane)





## Hough Transform: Voting Space



- In practice, the polar form is often used
$$a = x \cos a + y \sin b$$
- This avoids problems with lines that are nearly vertical



## Hough Transform: Algorithm

1. Quantize the parameter space appropriately.
2. Assume that each cell in the parameter space is an accumulator. Initialize all cells to zero.
3. For each point (x,y) in the (visual & range) image space, increment by 1 each of the accumulators that satisfy the equation.
4. Maxima in the accumulator array correspond to the parameters of model instances.



## Line Detection – Hough Lines [1]

- A line in an image can be expressed as two variables:
  - Cartesian coordinate system:  $m, b$
  - Polar coordinate system:  $r, \theta$ 
    - avoids problems with vert. lines

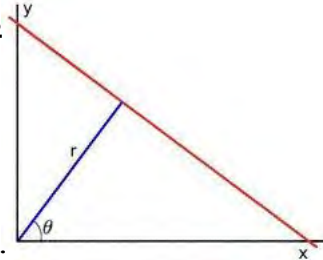
$$y = mx + b \rightarrow$$

$$y = \left( -\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) x + \left( \frac{r}{\sin \theta} \right)$$

- For each point  $(x_1, y_1)$  we can write:

$$r = x_1 \cos \theta + y_1 \sin \theta$$

- Each pair  $(r, \theta)$  represents a line that passes through  $(x_1, y_1)$



See also OpenCV documentation ([cv::HoughLines](#))

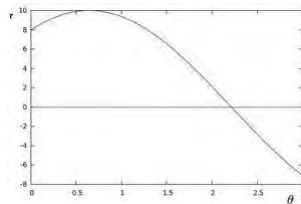


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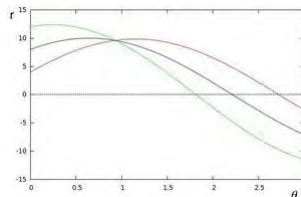
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## Line Detection – Hough Lines [2]

- Thus a given point gives a sinusoid



- Repeating for all points on the image



See also OpenCV documentation ([cv::HoughLines](#))



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## Line Detection – Hough Lines [3]

- Thus a given point gives a sinusoid
  - Repeating for all points on the image
  - NOTE that an intersection of sinusoids represents **(a point)** represents **a line** in which pixel points lay.
- ➔ Thus, a line can be *detected* by finding the number of Intersections between curves

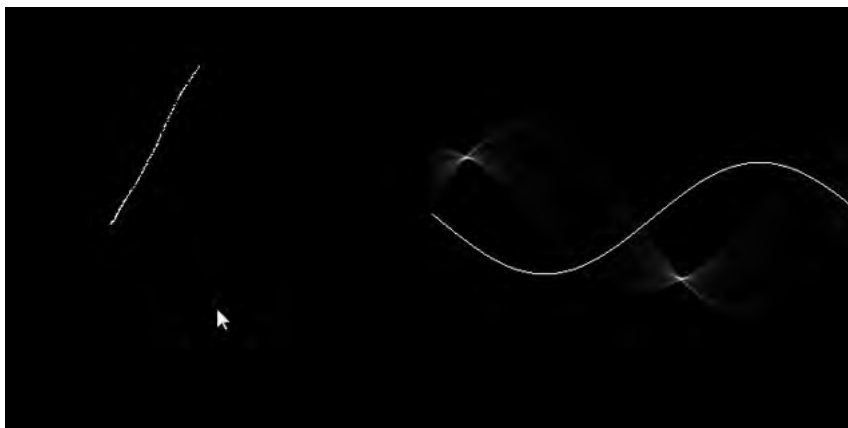
See also OpenCV documentation (cv::HoughLines)



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## “Cool Robotics Share” -- Hough Transform



- [http://www.activovision.com/octavi/doku.php?id=hough\\_transform](http://www.activovision.com/octavi/doku.php?id=hough_transform)



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## RANdom SAMple Consensus

1. Repeatedly select a small (minimal) subset of correspondences
  2. Estimate a solution (in this case a the line)
  3. Count the number of “inliers”,  $|e| < \Theta$   
(for LMS, estimate  $\text{med}(|e|)$ )
  4. Pick the *best* subset of inliers
  5. Find a complete least-squares solution
- Related to least median squares
  - See also:  
MAPSAC (Maximum *A Posteriori* SAMple Consensus)

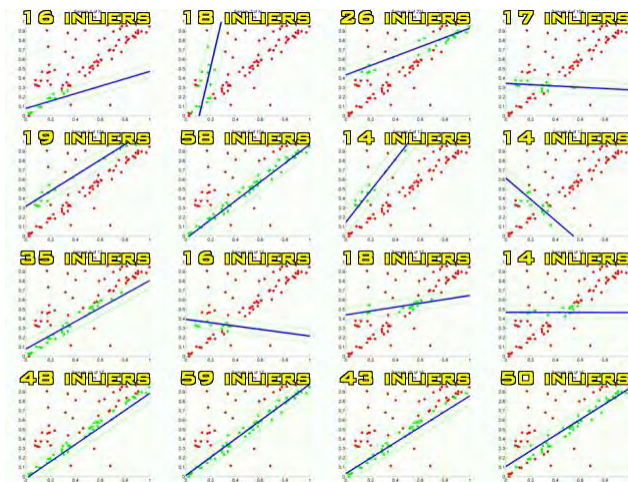
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## Cool Robotics Share Time!



D. Wedge, *The RANSAC Song*



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# Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry & Feature Detection

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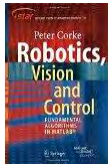
Week	Date	Lecture (W: 12:05-1:50, 50-N202)
1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& Ekka Day)
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	<b>Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry &amp; Feature Detection</b>
8	14-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization
9	21-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: SLAM
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	State-Space Modelling
12	19-Oct	Shaping the Dynamic Response
13	26-Oct	LQR + Course Review



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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

[UQ Library eBook:](#)  
[364220144X](#)

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### → Sensing and Vision ←

- Multiple View Geometry
  - Chapter 14: Using Multiple Images  
§ 14.2 Geometry of Multiple Views
- Multiple View Geometry
  - Hartley & Zisserman:  
Chapter 6: Camera Models  
Chapter 7: Camera Matrix

- Localization
  - Chapter 6: Localization

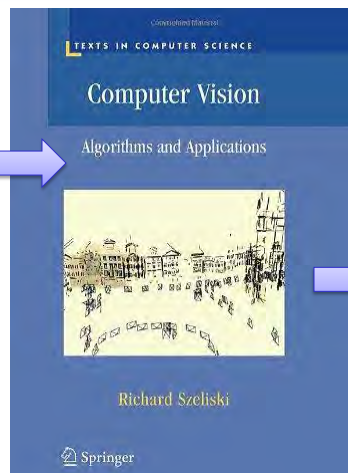
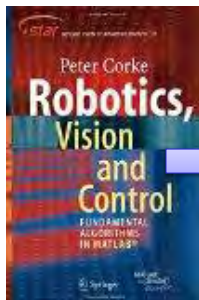
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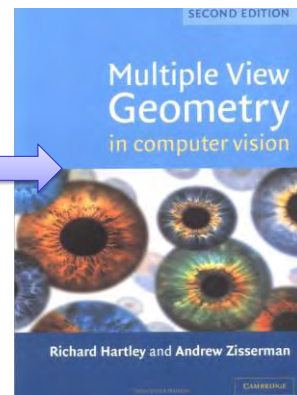
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## Reference Material



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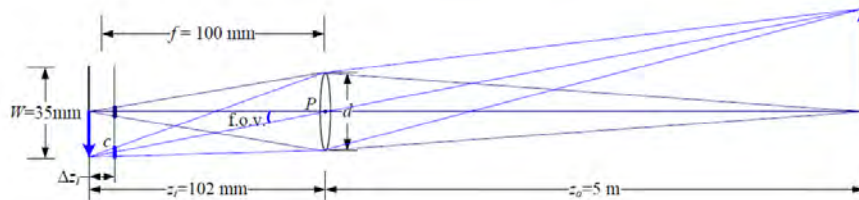
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# Sensing: Image Formation / Single-View Geometry

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## Image Formation: Simple Lens Optics $\cong$ Thin-Lens



$$\frac{1}{z_0} + \frac{1}{z_1} = \frac{1}{f}$$

Sec. 2.2 from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



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## Calibration matrix

- Is this form of  $K$  good enough?
- non-square pixels (digital video)
- skew
- radial distortion

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_c \\ 0 & f & v_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \end{bmatrix} = K \mathbf{X}_c$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} fa & s & u_c \\ 0 & f & v_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = K$$

From Szeliski, *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*



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## Calibration

See: *Camera Calibration Toolbox for Matlab*

([http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouguetj/calib\\_doc/](http://www.vision.caltech.edu/bouguetj/calib_doc/))

- **Intrinsic: Internal Parameters**
  - **Focal length:** The focal length in pixels.
  - **Principal point:** The principal point
  - **Skew coefficient:**  
The skew coefficient defining the angle between the x and y pixel axes.
  - **Distortions:** The image distortion coefficients (radial and tangential distortions) (typically two quadratic functions)
- **Extrinsics: Where the Camera (image plane) is placed:**
  - **Rotations:** A set of 3x3 rotation matrices for each image
  - **Translations:** A set of 3x1 translation vectors for each image



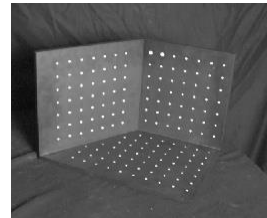
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## Camera calibration

- Determine camera parameters from known 3D points or calibration object(s)
- internal or intrinsic parameters such as focal length, optical center, aspect ratio:  
what kind of camera?
- external or extrinsic (pose) parameters:  
where is the camera?
- How can we do this?



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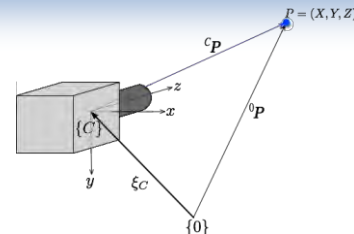


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## Complete camera model

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



extrinsic parameters

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \\ \tilde{w} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\rho_u} & 0 & u_0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\rho_v} & v_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{K}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{t} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}}_{\mathbf{C}} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Image and Slide  
from: Corke, Ch. 11

intrinsic  
parameters

camera matrix

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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations”[I]: Lens Optics (Aperture / Depth of Field)

$$N = \frac{f}{\#} = \frac{f}{d}$$



[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Aperture\\_in\\_Canon\\_50mm\\_f1.8\\_II\\_lens.jpg](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Aperture_in_Canon_50mm_f1.8_II_lens.jpg)

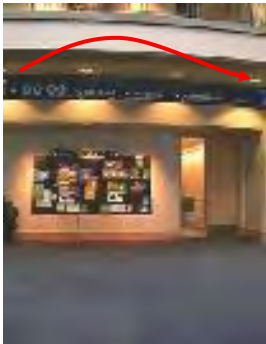


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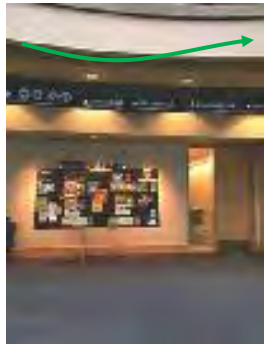
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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations”[II]: Lens Distortions

Barrel



Pincushion



Fisheye



→ Explore these with `visualize_distortions` in the  
[Camera Calibration Toolbox](#)

Fig. 2.1.3 from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)

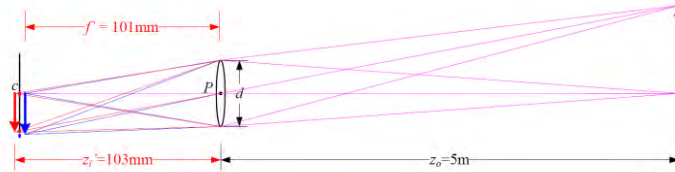


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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations” [II]: Lens Optics: Chromatic Aberration

- Chromatic Aberration:



- In a lens subject to chromatic aberration, light at different wavelengths (e.g., the red and blue arrows) is focused with a different focal length  $f'$  and hence a different depth  $z_i$ , resulting in both a geometric (in-plane) displacement and a loss of focus

Sec. 2.2 from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



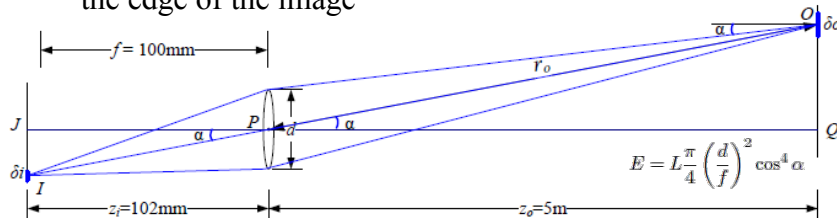
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## Camera Image Formation “Aberrations” [III]: Lens Optics: Vignetting

- Vignetting:

- The tendency for the brightness of the image to fall off towards the edge of the image



- The amount of light hitting a pixel of surface area  $\delta i$  depends on the square of the ratio of the aperture diameter  $d$  to the focal length  $f$ , as well as the fourth power of the off-axis angle  $\alpha$ ,  $\cos^4 \alpha$

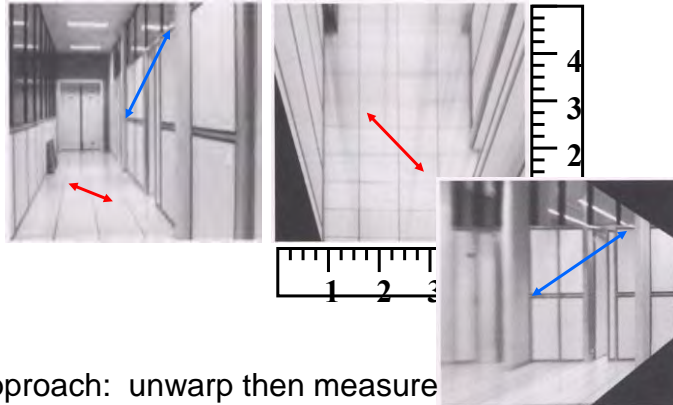
Sec. 2.2 from Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



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## Measurements on Planes (You can not just add a tape measure!)



Approach: unwarp then measure

Slide from [Szeliski, Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)

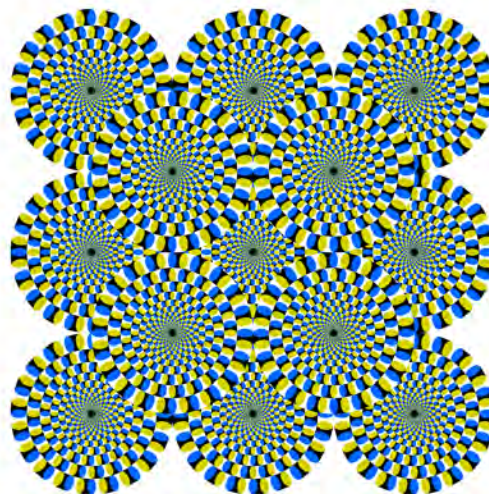


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## Perception

- Making Sense from Sensors



[http://www.michaelbach.de/ot/mot\\_rotsnake/index.html](http://www.michaelbach.de/ot/mot_rotsnake/index.html)

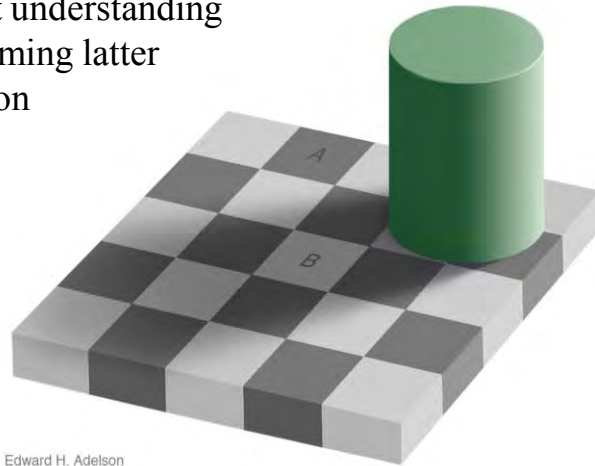


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## Perception

- Perception is about understanding the image for informing latter robot / control action



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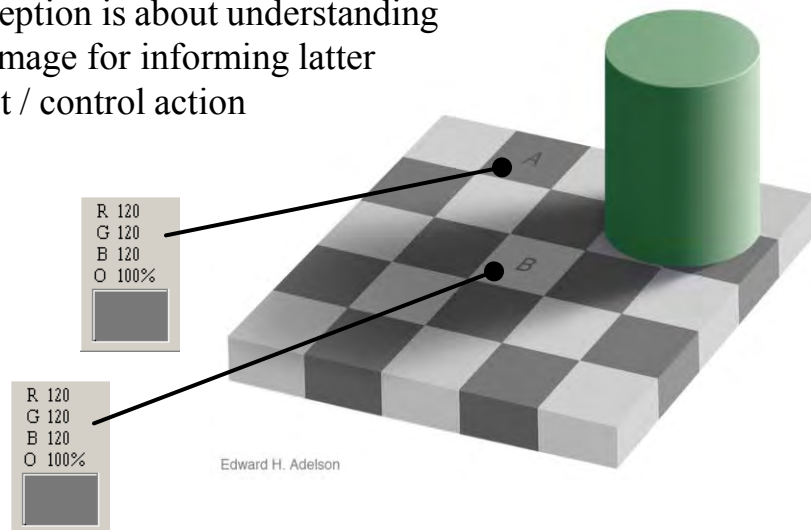


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# Basic Features:

## Colour

# Edges & Lines

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## Features -- Colour Features

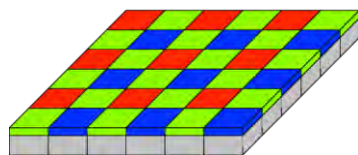
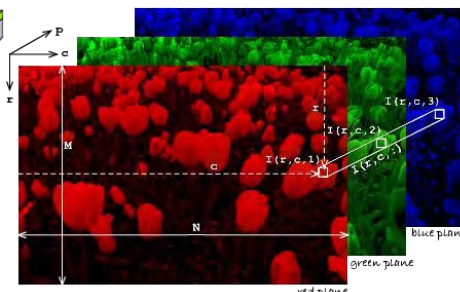


Fig: Ch. 10, *Robotics Vision and Control*

### Bayer Patterns



- RGB is **NOT** an absolute (metric) colour space
- Also!
- **RGB** (display or additive colour) does not map to **CYMK** (printing or subtractive colour) without calibration
- **Y-Cr-Cb** or **HSV** does not solve this either

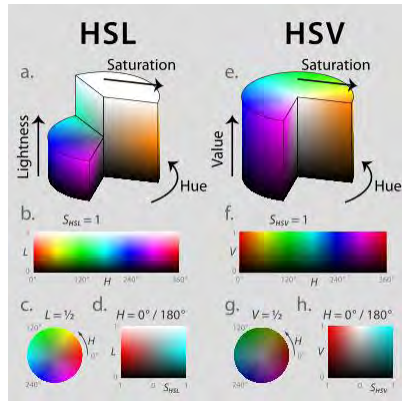


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## Colour Spaces

- HSV



Source: Wikipedia – HSV and YCrCb

- YCrCb

→ Gamma Corrected Luma (Y) + Chrominance

→ BW → Colour TVs : Just add the Chrominance

→  $\gamma$  Correction: CRTs  $\gamma=2.2-2.5$

$$\begin{aligned} Y' &= 16 + (65.481 \cdot R' + 128.553 \cdot G' + 24.966 \cdot B') \\ C_B &= 128 + (-37.797 \cdot R' - 74.203 \cdot G' + 112.0 \cdot B') \\ C_R &= 128 + (112.0 \cdot R' - 93.786 \cdot G' - 18.214 \cdot B') \end{aligned}$$

- L\*ab



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## Subtractive (CMYK) & Uniform (L\*ab) Color Spaces

- $C = W - R$
- $M = W - G$
- $Y = W - B$

- $K = -W \odot$

- A Uniform color space is one in which the distance in coordinate space is a fair guide to the significance of the difference between the two colors

- Start with RGB → CIE XYZ (Under [Illuminant D65](#))

$$\begin{aligned} L^* &= 116(Y/Y_n)^{(1/3)} - 16 \\ a^* &= 500 \left[ (X/X_n)^{(1/3)} - (Y/Y_n)^{(1/3)} \right] \\ b^* &= 200 \left[ (Y/Y_n)^{(1/3)} - (Z/Z_n)^{(1/3)} \right] \end{aligned}$$



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## Colour: Illumination Variant

- Toy Image



- Toy Image **With Flash**



Source: %MATLABROOT%\toolbox\images\imdata\toysflash.png



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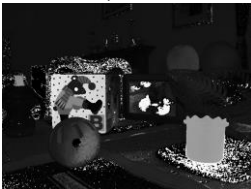
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## Colour Spaces:

- Red | Green | Blue :



- Hue | Saturation | V (Brightness Value) :



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"False-colour": Show HSV as "RGB"

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# Lines

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## How to get the Features? Still MANY Ways

- Canny edge detector:



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## Edge Detection

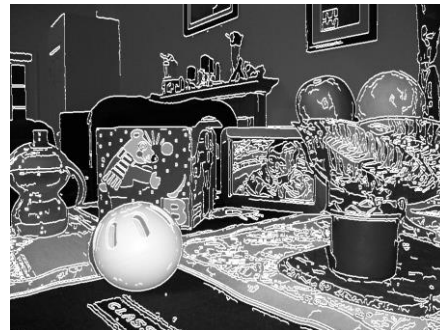
- Laplacian of Gaussian
  - Gaussian (Low Pass filter)
  - Laplacian (Gradient)
- Prewitt
  - Discrete differentiation
  - Convolution

$$G_x = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & +1 \\ -1 & 0 & +1 \\ -1 & 0 & +1 \end{bmatrix} * A \quad G_y = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ +1 & +1 & +1 \end{bmatrix} * A$$



## Edge Detection

- Canny edge detector
  - Finds the peak gradient magnitude orthogonal to the edge direction
    1. Apply Gaussian filter to smooth the image in order to remove the noise
    2. Find the intensity gradients of the image
    3. Apply non-maximum suppression to get rid of spurious response to edge detection
    4. Apply double threshold to determine potential edges
    5. Track edge by hysteresis: Finalize the detection of edges by suppressing all the other edges that are weak and not connected to strong edges.
  - Two Thresholds:
    - Non-maximum suppression
    - Hysteresis



## Edge Detection

- Canny edge detector:
  - Pepsi Sequence:

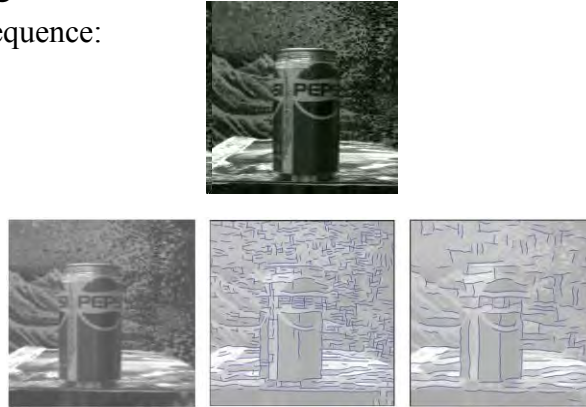


Image Data: <http://www.cs.brown.edu/~black/mixtureOF.html> and Szeliski, CS223B-L9

See also: Use of Temporal information to aid segmentation:

[http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~babalex/SpatiotemporalClosure/supplementary\\_material.html](http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~babalex/SpatiotemporalClosure/supplementary_material.html)

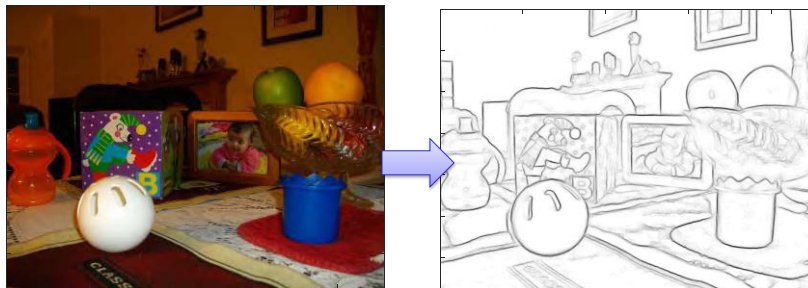


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## Edge Detection

- Many, many more
  - ➔ Structured Edge Detection Toolbox



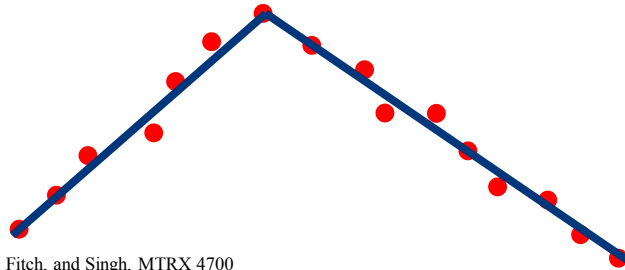
Dollár and Zitnick, Structured Forests for Fast Edge Detection, ICCV 13  
<https://github.com/pdollar/edges>



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## Line Extraction and Segmentation



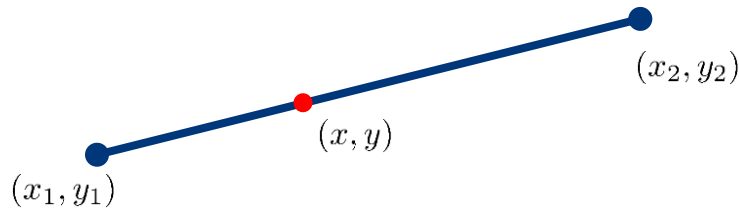
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## Line Formula



$$\frac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$$y = mx + b$$

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## Line Estimation



Least squares minimization of the line:

- Line Equation:  $y - mx - b = 0$
- Error in Fit:  $\sum_i (y_i - mx_i - b)^2$
- Solution:  $\begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}\bar{y} \\ \bar{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}^2 & \bar{x} \\ \bar{x} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m \\ b \end{pmatrix}$

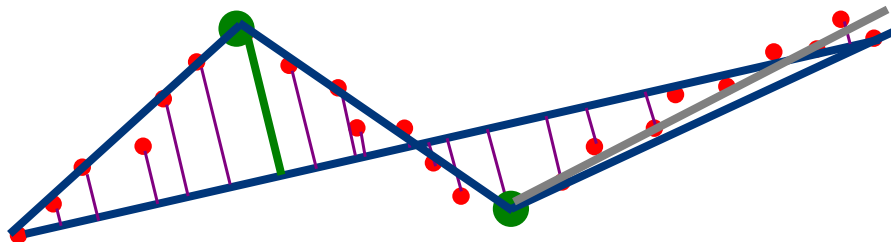
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## Line Splitting / Segmentation



- What about corners?
- ➔ Split into multiple lines (via expectation maximization)
  1. Expect (assume) a number of lines  $N$  (say 3)
  2. Find “breakpoints” by finding nearest neighbours upto a threshold or simply at random (RANSAC)
  3. How to know  $N$ ? (Also RANSAC)

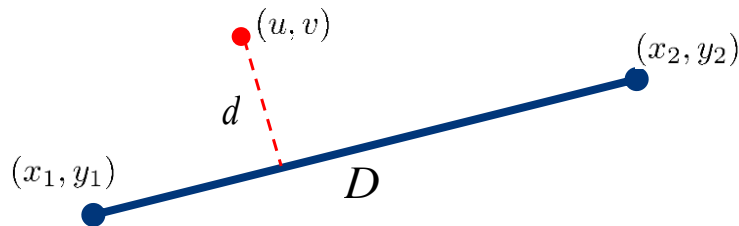
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## ⊥ of a Point from a Line Segment



$$r = u(y_1 - y_2) + v(x_2 - x_1) + y_2x_1 - y_1x_2$$

$$d = \frac{r}{D}$$

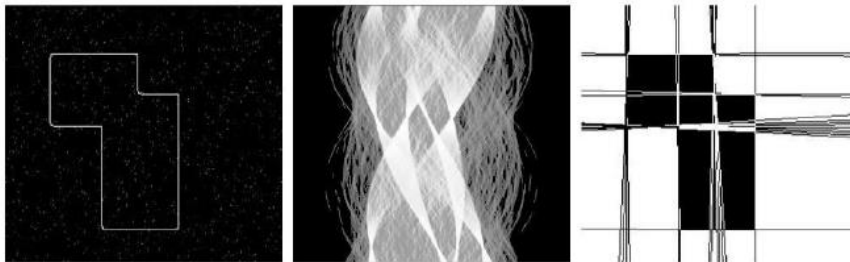
Adopted from Williams, Fitch, and Singh, MTRX 4700



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## Hough Transform



- Uses a voting mechanism
- Can be used for other lines and shapes (not just straight lines)

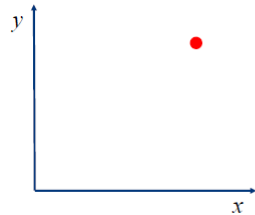


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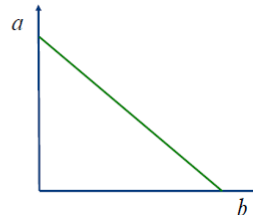
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## Hough Transform: Voting Space

$$y = ax + b$$



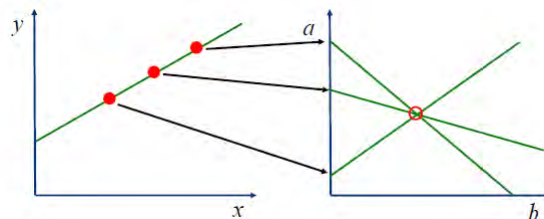
$$a = -\frac{1}{x}b + \frac{y}{x}$$



- Count the number of lines that can go through a point and move it from the “x-y” plane to the “a-b” plane
- There is only a one-“infinite” number (a line!) of solutions (not a two-“infinite” set – a plane)



## Hough Transform: Voting Space



- In practice, the polar form is often used
$$a = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$
- This avoids problems with lines that are nearly vertical



## Hough Transform: Algorithm

1. Quantize the parameter space appropriately.
2. Assume that each cell in the parameter space is an accumulator. Initialize all cells to zero.
3. For each point (x,y) in the (visual & range) image space, increment by 1 each of the accumulators that satisfy the equation.
4. Maxima in the accumulator array correspond to the parameters of model instances.



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## Line Detection – Hough Lines [1]

- A line in an image can be expressed as two variables:
  - Cartesian coordinate system: m,b
  - Polar coordinate system: r,  $\theta$ 
    - avoids problems with vert. lines

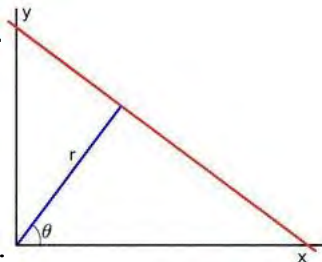
$$y=mx+b \rightarrow$$

$$y = \left( -\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) x + \left( \frac{r}{\sin \theta} \right)$$

- For each point (x<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>1</sub>) we can write:

$$r = x_1 \cos \theta + y_1 \sin \theta$$

- Each pair (r,  $\theta$ ) represents a line that passes through (x<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>1</sub>)



See also OpenCV documentation (cv::HoughLines)



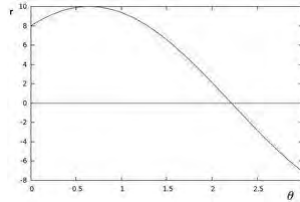
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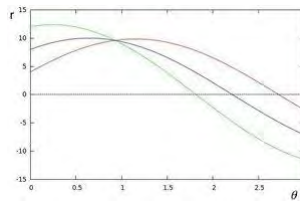


## Line Detection – Hough Lines [2]

- Thus a given point gives a sinusoid



- Repeating for all points on the image

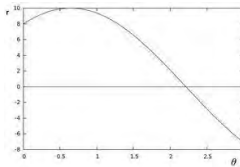


See also OpenCV documentation ([cv::HoughLines](#))

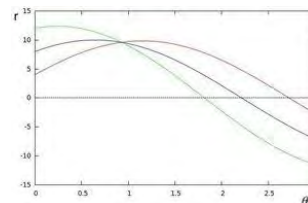


## Line Detection – Hough Lines [3]

- Thus a given point gives a sinusoid



- Repeating for all points on the image



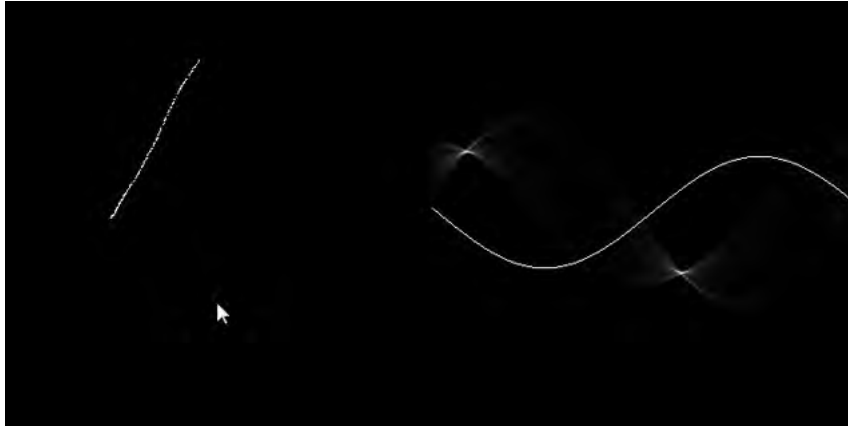
- NOTE that an intersection of sinusoids represents **(a point)** represents **a line** in which pixel points lay.

➔ Thus, a line can be *detected* by finding the number of Intersections between curves

See also OpenCV documentation ([cv::HoughLines](#))



## “Cool Robotics Share” -- Hough Transform



- [http://www.activovision.com/octavi/doku.php?id=hough\\_transform](http://www.activovision.com/octavi/doku.php?id=hough_transform)



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## RANdom SAMple Consensus

1. Repeatedly select a small (minimal) subset of correspondences
  2. Estimate a solution (in this case a the line)
  3. Count the number of “inliers”,  $|e| < \Theta$   
(for LMS, estimate  $\text{med}(|e|)$ )
  4. Pick the *best* subset of inliers
  5. Find a complete least-squares solution
- Related to least median squares
  - See also:  
MAPSAC (Maximum *A Posteriori* SAMple Consensus)

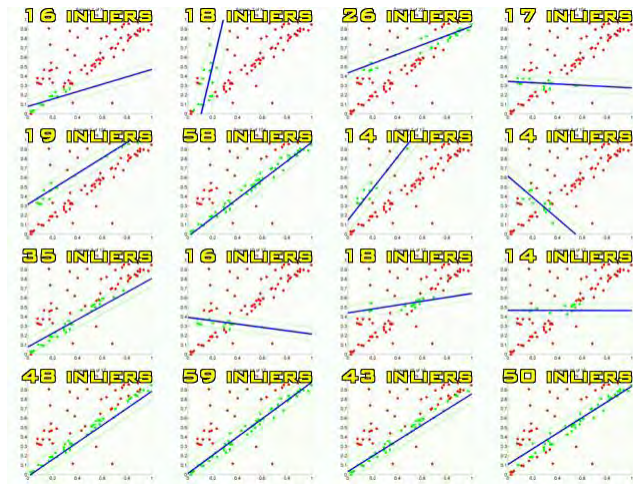
From Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



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## Cool Robotics Share Time!



D. Wedge, *The RANSAC Song*



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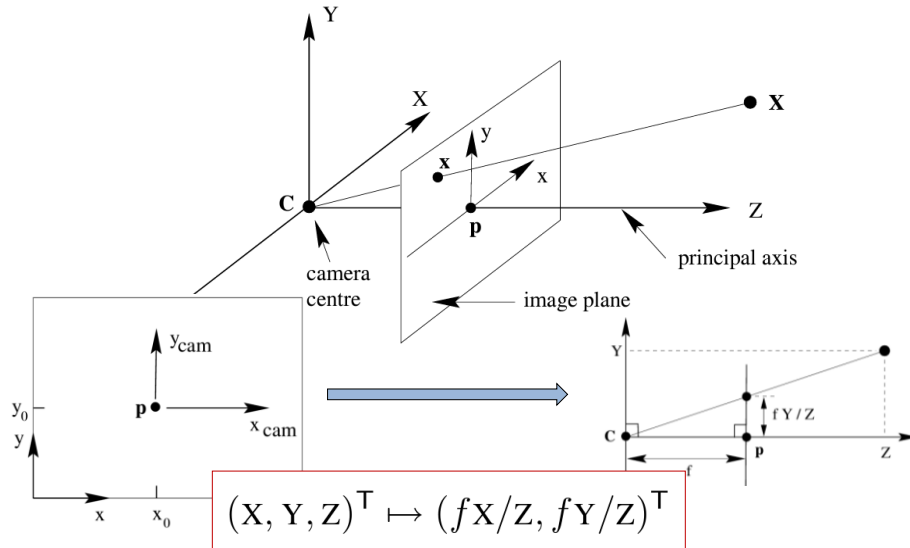
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# Multiple View Geometry

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## Image Formation – Single View Geometry [I]



Hartly & Zisserman, Ch. 6



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## Image Formation – Single View Geometry [II]

### → Camera Projection Matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{\text{world}} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} fX + Zp_x \\ fY + Zp_y \\ Z \end{pmatrix}_{\text{camera}} = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x & 0 \\ f & p_y & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{\text{Intrinsics}} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $x$  = Image point
- $X$  = World point
- $K$  = Camera Calibration Matrix

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x \\ f & p_y \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = K[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]\mathbf{x}_{\text{cam}}.$$

### → Perspective Camera as:

where:  $P$  is  $3 \times 4$  and of **rank 3**

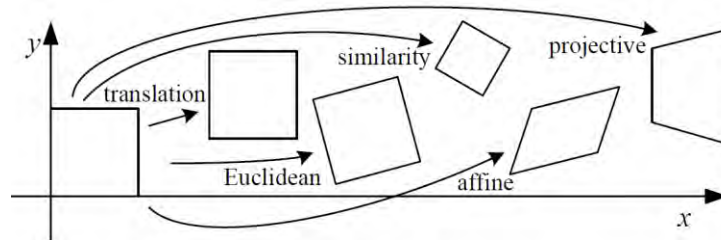
$$P = K[R \mid \mathbf{t}]$$



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## Transformations



- $\underline{x}'$ : New Image &  $\underline{x}$ : Old Image
- Euclidean:  
(Distances preserved) 
$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$
- Similarity (Scaled Rotation):  
(Angles preserved) 
$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

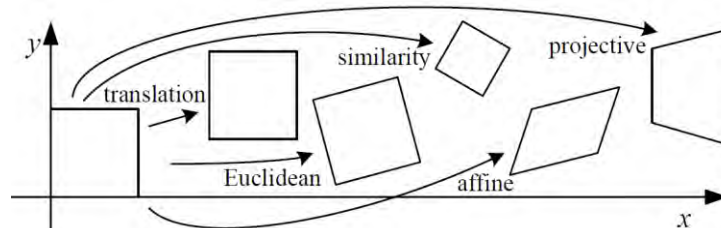
Fig. 2.4 from Szeliski, *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*



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## Transformations [2]



- Affine :  
(|| lines remain ||) 
$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & a_{02} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$
- Projective:  
(straight lines preserved)  
H: Homogenous 3x3 Matrix 
$$\underline{x}' = \mathbf{H}\underline{x}$$

$$x' = \frac{h_{00}x + h_{01}y + h_{02}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}}$$

$$y' = \frac{h_{10}x + h_{11}y + h_{12}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}}$$

Fig. 2.4 from Szeliski, *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*



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## 2-D Transformations

→  $x'$  = point in the **new** (or 2<sup>nd</sup>) image

→  $x$  = point in the old image

- Translation  $x' = x + t$
- Rotation  $x' = R x + t$
- Similarity  $x' = sR x + t$
- Affine  $x' = A x$
- Projective  $x' = A x$

here,  $x$  is an inhomogeneous pt (2-vector)

$x'$  is a homogeneous point








## 2-D Transformations

Name	Matrix	# D.O.F.	Preserves:	Icon
translation	$\begin{bmatrix} I & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	2	orientation + ...	
rigid (Euclidean)	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	3	lengths + ...	
similarity	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	4	angles + ...	
affine	$\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	6	parallelism + ...	
projective	$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$	8	straight lines	



## 3D Transformations

Name	Matrix	# D.O.F.	Preserves:	Icon
translation	$\begin{bmatrix} I & t \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	3	orientation + ...	
rigid (Euclidean)	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	6	lengths + ...	
similarity	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	7	angles + ...	
affine	$\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	12	parallelism + ...	
projective	$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H} \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 4}$	15	straight lines	

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## Projection Models

- Orthographic

- Weak Perspective

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} i_x & i_y & i_z & t_x \\ j_x & j_y & j_z & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Affine

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = f \begin{bmatrix} i_x & i_y & i_z & t_x \\ j_x & j_y & j_z & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Perspective

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Projective

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = [\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}]$$

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

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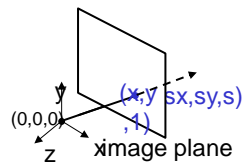
## Properties of Projection

- Preserves
  - Lines and conics
  - Incidence
  - Invariants (cross-ratio)
- Does not preserve
  - Lengths
  - Angles
  - Parallelism



## Planar Projective Transformations

- Perspective projection of a plane
  - lots of names for this:
    - homography, colineation, planar projective map
  - Easily modeled using homogeneous coordinates



$$\begin{bmatrix} sx' \\ sy' \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{p}' \quad \mathbf{H} \quad \mathbf{p}$

To apply a homography  $\mathbf{H}$

- compute  $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}$
- $\mathbf{p}'' = \mathbf{p}'/s$  normalize by dividing by third component

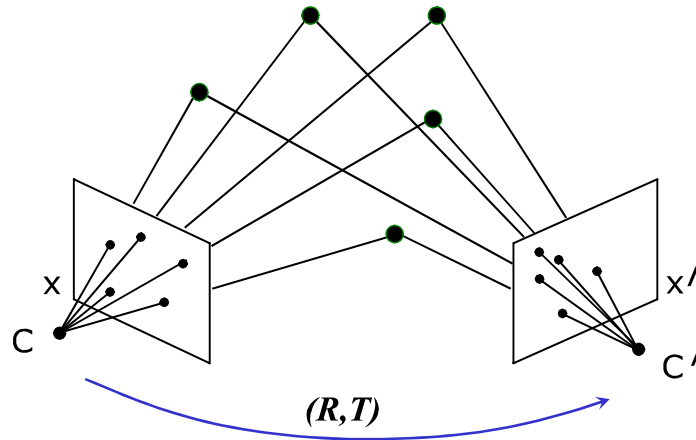
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## Image Formation – Two-View Geometry [Stereopsis]

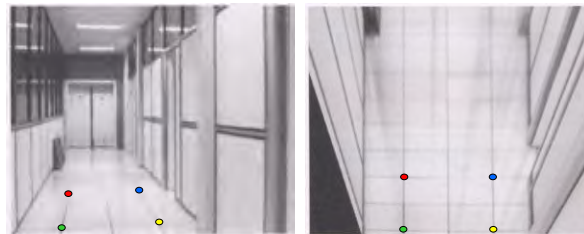
### → Fundamental Matrix



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## Image Rectification



### To unwarp (rectify) an image

- solve for  $\mathbf{H}$  given  $\mathbf{p}''$  and  $\mathbf{p}$
- solve equations of the form:  $s\mathbf{p}'' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}$ 
  - linear in unknowns:  $s$  and coefficients of  $\mathbf{H}$
  - need at least 4 points

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## 3D Projective Geometry

- These concepts generalize naturally to 3D
  - Homogeneous coordinates
    - Projective 3D points have four coords:  $P = (X, Y, Z, W)$
  - Duality
    - A plane  $L$  is also represented by a 4-vector
    - Points and planes are dual in 3D:  $L \cdot P = 0$
  - Projective transformations
    - Represented by 4x4 matrices  $T$ :  $P' = TP$ ,  $L' = L T^{-1}$
  - Lines are a special case...

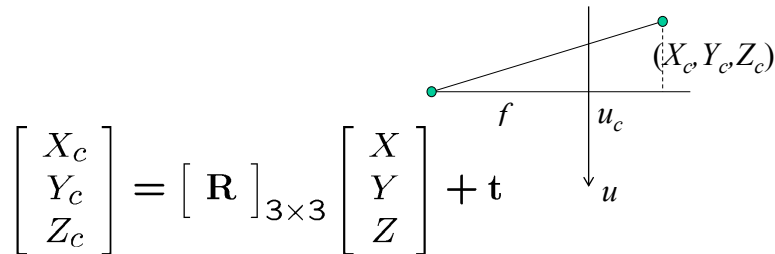
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## 3D → 2D Perspective Projection (Image Formation Equations)



$$\begin{bmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \end{bmatrix} = [R]_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + t$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_c \\ 0 & f & v_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \end{bmatrix}$$

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## 3D → 2D Perspective Projection

- Matrix Projection (camera matrix):

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} sx \\ sy \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{\Pi} \mathbf{P}$$

It's useful to decompose  $\mathbf{\Pi}$  into  $\mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \text{project} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}$

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & -t_x \\ 0 & s_y & -t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1/f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{T}_{3 \times 1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

intrinsic                      projection                      orientation                      position

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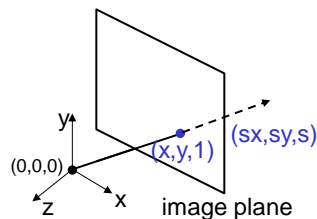


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## The Projective Plane

- Why do we need homogeneous coordinates?
  - Represent points at infinity, homographies, perspective projection, multi-view relationships
- What is the geometric intuition?
  - A point in the image is a ray in projective space



- Each *point*  $(x,y)$  on the plane is represented by a *ray*  $(sx,sy,s)$ 
  - all points on the ray are equivalent:  $(x, y, 1) \cong (sx, sy, s)$

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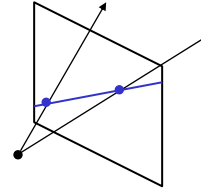


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## Projective Lines

- What is a line in projective space?



- A line is a *plane* of rays through origin
  - all rays  $(x,y,z)$  satisfying:  $ax + by + cz = 0$

in vector notation:  $0 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$

$\mathbf{l}^T \mathbf{p}$

- A line is represented as a homogeneous 3-vector  $\mathbf{l}$

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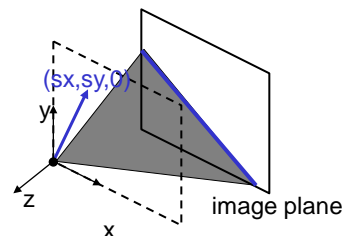
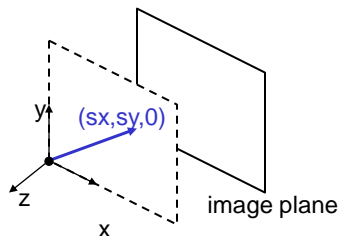


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## Ideal points and lines

- Ideal point (“point at infinity”)
  - $\mathbf{p} \cong (x, y, 0)$  – parallel to image plane
  - It has infinite image coordinates



## Line at infinity

- $\mathbf{l}_\infty \cong (0, 0, 1)$  – parallel to image plane
- Contains all ideal points

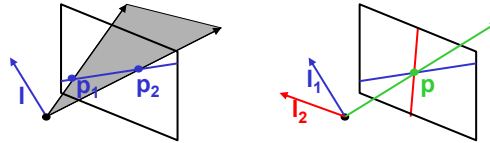


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## Point and Line Duality

- A line  $l$  is a homogeneous 3-vector (a ray)
- It is  $\perp$  to every point (ray)  $p$  on the line:  $l^T p = 0$



- What is the line  $l$  spanned by rays  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ ?
  - $l$  is  $\perp$  to  $p_1$  and  $p_2 \Rightarrow l = p_1 \times p_2$  ( $l$  is the plane normal)
- What is the intersection of two lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ ?
  - $p$  is  $\perp$  to  $l_1$  and  $l_2 \Rightarrow p = l_1 \times l_2$
- Points and lines are *dual* in projective space
  - every property of points also applies to lines



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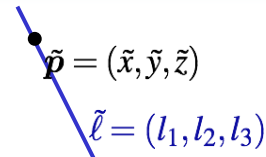
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## Point and Line Duality [II]

Homogeneous  $\Leftrightarrow$  Cartesian

- Point:

$$\tilde{P} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}) \quad | \quad P = (x, y) \quad x = \frac{\tilde{x}}{\tilde{z}}, y = \frac{\tilde{y}}{\tilde{z}}$$



- Line:

- Is such that  $\tilde{l}^T \tilde{p} = 0$
- Point Eq of a line is:  $y = mx + b$

Image/Notation from: Corke, Ch. 11

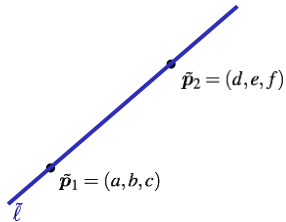


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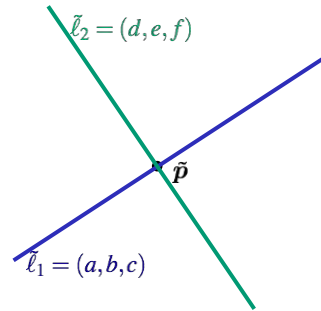
## Point and Line Duality [III]

- 2 Points Make a Line



$$\tilde{l} = \tilde{p}_1 \times \tilde{p}_2$$

- 2 Lines Make Point!



$$\tilde{p} = \tilde{l}_1 \times \tilde{l}_2$$

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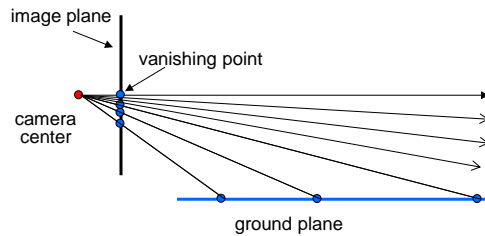


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## Vanishing Points

- Vanishing point
  - projection of a point at infinity
  - whiteboard capture, architecture,...



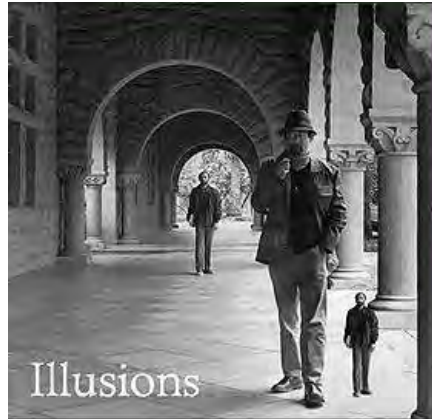
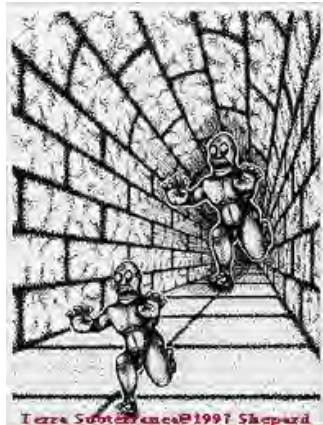
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## Fun With Vanishing Points



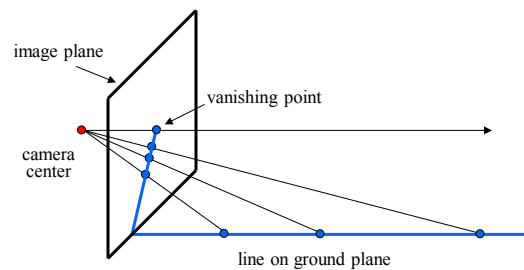
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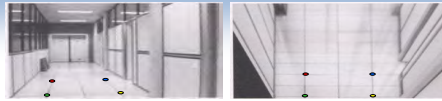
## Vanishing Points (2D)



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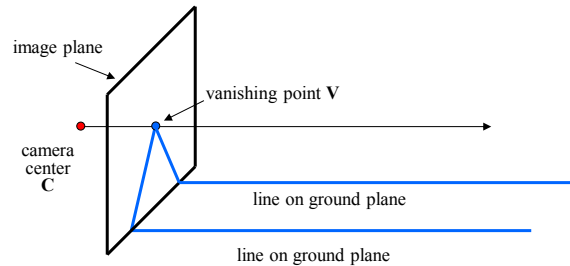
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## Vanishing Points



- Properties

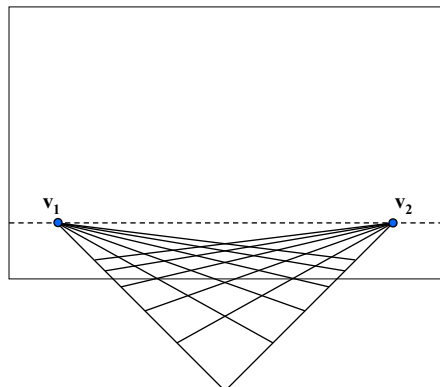
- Any two parallel lines have the same vanishing point
- The ray from  $C$  through  $v$  point is parallel to the lines
- An image may have more than one vanishing point



## Vanishing Lines

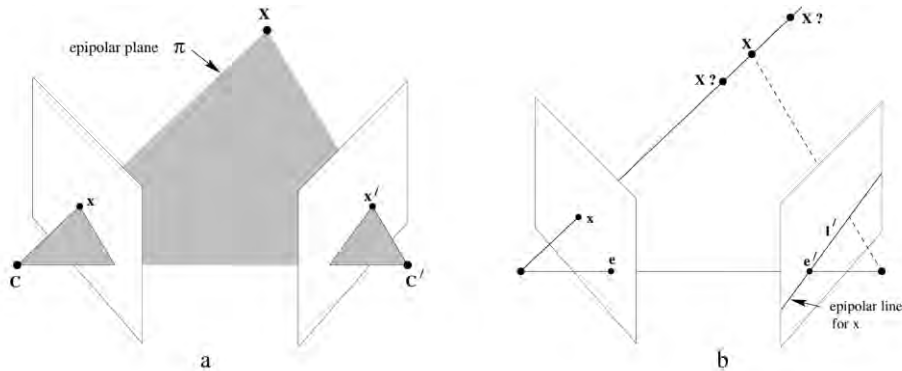
- Multiple Vanishing Points

- Any set of parallel lines on the plane define a vanishing point
- The union of all of these vanishing points is the horizon line





## Two-View Geometry: Epipolar Plane



- **Epipole:** The *point* of intersection of the line joining the camera centres (the baseline) with the image plane. Equivalently, the epipole is the image in one view of the camera centre of the other view.
- **Epipolar plane** is a plane containing the baseline. There is a one-parameter family (a pencil) of epipolar planes
- **Epipolar line** is the intersection of an epipolar plane with the image plane. All epipolar lines intersect at the epipole. An epipolar plane intersects the left and right image planes in epipolar lines, and defines the correspondence between the lines.



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## Two-frame methods

- Two main variants:
- Calibrated: “Essential matrix”  $E$   
use ray directions  $(x_i, x_i')$
- Uncalibrated: “Fundamental matrix”  $F$
- [Hartley & Zisserman 2000]

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## Fundamental matrix

- Camera calibrations are unknown
- $\mathbf{x}'^T \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x} = 0$  with  $\mathbf{F} = [\mathbf{e}] \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}'[\mathbf{t}] \times \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1}$
- Solve for  $\mathbf{F}$  using least squares (SVD)
  - re-scale  $(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i')$  so that  $|\mathbf{x}_i| \approx 1/2$  [Hartley]
- $\mathbf{e}$  (epipole) is still the least singular vector of  $\mathbf{F}$
- $\mathbf{H}$  obtained from the other two s.v.s
- “plane + parallax” (projective) reconstruction
- use self-calibration to determine  $\mathbf{K}$  [Pollefeys]

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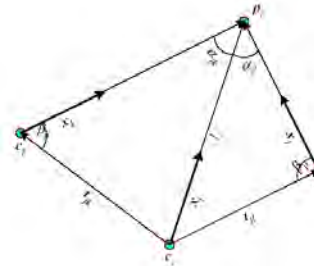


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## Essential matrix

- Co-planarity constraint:
- $\mathbf{x}' \approx \mathbf{R} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}$
- $[\mathbf{t}] \times \mathbf{x}' \approx [\mathbf{t}] \times \mathbf{R} \mathbf{x}$
- $\mathbf{x}'^T [\mathbf{t}] \times \mathbf{x}' \approx \mathbf{x}'^T [\mathbf{t}] \times \mathbf{R} \mathbf{x}$
- $\mathbf{x}'^T \mathbf{E} \mathbf{x} = 0$  with  $\mathbf{E} = [\mathbf{t}] \times \mathbf{R}$
- Solve for  $\mathbf{E}$  using least squares (SVL,
- $\mathbf{t}$  is the least singular vector of  $\mathbf{E}$
- $\mathbf{R}$  obtained from the other two s.v.s



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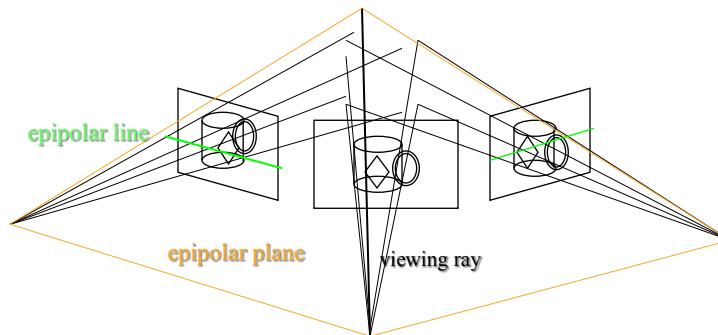


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## Stereo: Epipolar geometry

- Match features along epipolar lines



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## Stereo: epipolar geometry

- for two images (or images with collinear camera centers), can find epipolar lines
- epipolar lines are the projection of the pencil of planes passing through the centers
- Rectification: warping the input images (perspective transformation) so that epipolar lines are horizontal

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## Fundamental Matrix

- The fundamental matrix is the algebraic representation of epipolar geometry.

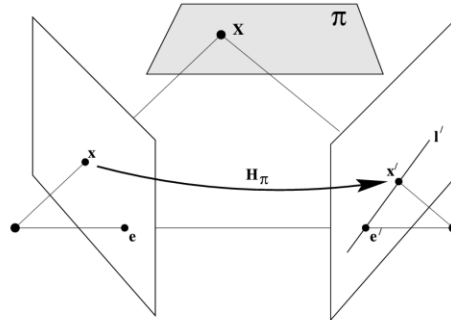


Fig. 9.5. A point  $\mathbf{x}$  in one image is transferred via the plane  $\pi$  to a matching point  $\mathbf{x}'$  in the second image. The epipolar line through  $\mathbf{x}'$  is obtained by joining  $\mathbf{x}'$  to the epipole  $\mathbf{e}'$ . In symbols one may write  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{H}_\pi \mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{l}' = [\mathbf{e}']_\times \mathbf{x}' = [\mathbf{e}']_\times \mathbf{H}_\pi \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}$  where  $\mathbf{F} = [\mathbf{e}']_\times \mathbf{H}_\pi$  is the fundamental matrix.



## Fundamental Matrix Example

- Suppose the camera matrices are those of a calibrated stereo rig with the world origin at the first camera

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}] \quad \mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{K}'[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}].$$

- Then:

$$\mathbf{P}^+ = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0}^\top \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Epipoles are at:

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{P} \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{t} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{t} \quad \mathbf{e}' = \mathbf{P}' \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{K}' \mathbf{t}.$$

$\therefore$

$$\mathbf{F} = [\mathbf{e}']_\times \mathbf{K}' \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}'^{-\top} [\mathbf{t}]_\times \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}'^{-\top} \mathbf{R} [\mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{t}]_\times \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}'^{-\top} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^\top [\mathbf{e}]_\times$$



## Summary of fundamental matrix properties

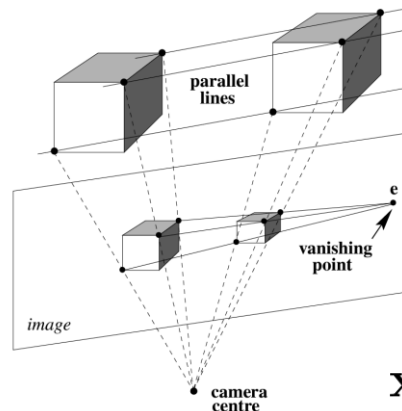
- $F$  is a rank 2 homogeneous matrix with 7 degrees of freedom.
- **Point correspondence:** If  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{x}'$  are corresponding image points, then  $\mathbf{x}'^T F \mathbf{x} = 0$ .
- **Epipolar lines:**
  - ◊  $\mathbf{l}' = F \mathbf{x}$  is the epipolar line corresponding to  $\mathbf{x}$ .
  - ◊  $\mathbf{l} = F^T \mathbf{x}'$  is the epipolar line corresponding to  $\mathbf{x}'$ .
- **Epipoles:**
  - ◊  $F \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{0}$ .
  - ◊  $F^T \mathbf{e}' = \mathbf{0}$ .
- **Computation from camera matrices  $P, P'$ :**
  - ◊ General cameras,  $F = [\mathbf{e}']_{\times} P' P^+$ , where  $P^+$  is the pseudo-inverse of  $P$ , and  $\mathbf{e}' = P' \mathbf{C}$ , with  $P \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0}$ .
  - ◊ Canonical cameras,  $P = [\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]$ ,  $P' = [\mathbf{M} \mid \mathbf{m}]$ ,  
 $F = [\mathbf{e}']_{\times} \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}^{-T} [\mathbf{e}]_{\times}$ , where  $\mathbf{e}' = \mathbf{m}$  and  $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{m}$ .
  - ◊ Cameras not at infinity  $P = K[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]$ ,  $P' = K'[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}]$ ,  
 $F = K'^{-T} [\mathbf{t}]_{\times} R K^{-1} = [K' \mathbf{t}]_{\times} K' R K^{-1} = K'^{-T} R K^T [K R^T \mathbf{t}]_{\times}$ .



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## Fundamental Matrix & Motion



$$\mathbf{x}'^T F \mathbf{x} = 0.$$

- Under a pure translational camera motion, 3D points appear to slide along parallel rails. The images of these parallel lines intersect in a vanishing point corresponding to the translation direction. The epipole  $\mathbf{e}$  is the vanishing point.



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## Cool Robotics Share



D. Wedge, *The Fundamental Matrix Song*

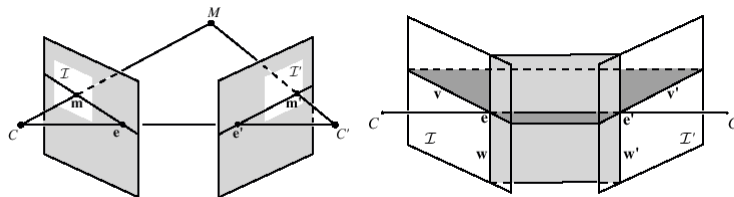


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## Rectification

- Project each image onto same plane, which is parallel to the epipole
- Resample lines (and shear/stretch) to place lines in correspondence, and minimize distortion



- [Zhang and Loop, [MSR-TR-99-21](#)]

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## How to get Matching Points? Features

- ~~Colour~~
- Corners
- Edges
- Lines
- Statistics on Edges: SIFT, SURF, ORB...

In OpenCV: The following detector types are supported:

- "FAST" – FastFeatureDetector
- "STAR" – StarFeatureDetector
- "SIFT" – SIFT (nonfree module)
- "SURF" – SURF (nonfree module)
- "ORB" – ORB
- "BRISK" – BRISK
- "MSER" – MSER
- "GFTT" – GoodFeaturesToTrackDetector
- "HARRIS" – GoodFeaturesToTrackDetector with Harris detector enabled
- "Dense" – DenseFeatureDetector
- "SimpleBlob" – SimpleBlobDetector

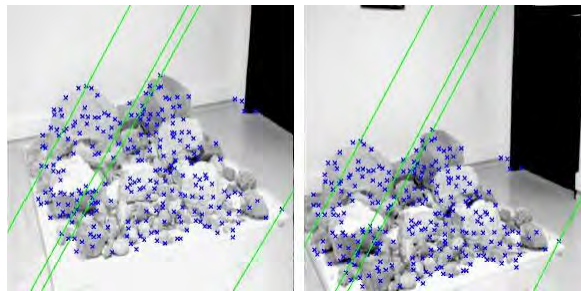


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## Feature-based stereo

- Match “corner” (interest) points



- Interpolate complete solution

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## SFM: Structure from Motion (& Cool Robotics Share (this week))



## Structure [from] Motion

- Given a set of feature tracks,  
estimate the 3D structure and 3D (camera) motion.
- Assumption: orthographic projection
- Tracks:  $(u_{fp}, v_{fp})$ , f: frame, p: point
- Subtract out **mean** 2D position...

$\mathbf{i}_f$ : rotation,  $\mathbf{s}_p$ : position

$$u_{fp} = \mathbf{i}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p, v_{fp} = \mathbf{j}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p$$

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## Structure from motion

- How many points do we need to match?
- 2 frames:
  - (R,t): 5 dof + 3n point locations  $\leq \quad \hat{u}_{ij} = f(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)$
  - 4n point measurements  $\Rightarrow \quad \hat{v}_{ij} = g(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)$
  - $n \geq 5$
- k frames:
  - $6(k-1) + 3n \leq 2kn$
- always want to use many more

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## Measurement equations

- Measurement equations
 
$$u_{fp} = \mathbf{i}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p \quad \mathbf{i}_f: \text{rotation}, \mathbf{s}_p: \text{position}$$

$$v_{fp} = \mathbf{j}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p$$

- Stack them up...

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{S}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{i}_1, \dots, \mathbf{i}_F, \mathbf{j}_1, \dots, \mathbf{j}_F)^T$$

$$\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_P)$$

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## Factorization

$$W = R_{2F \times 3} S_{3 \times P}$$

SVD

$$W = U \Lambda V \quad \Lambda \text{ must be rank 3}$$

$$W' = (U \Lambda^{1/2})(\Lambda^{1/2} V) = U' V'$$

Make  $R$  orthogonal

$$R = Q U', \quad S = Q^{-1} V'$$

$$i_f^T Q^T Q i_f = 1 \dots$$

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## Results

- Look at paper figures...

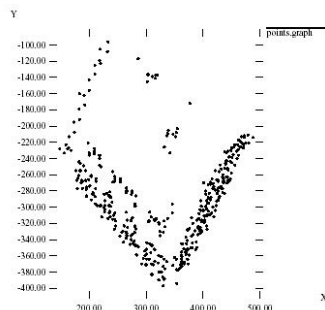


Figure 4.5: A view of the computed shape from approximately above the building (compare with figure 4.6).

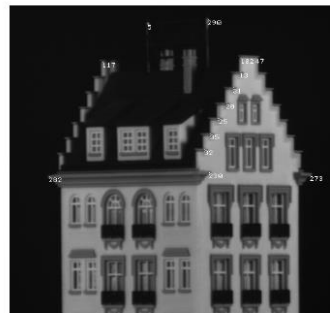


Figure 4.7: For a quantitative evaluation, distances between the features shown in the picture were measured on the actual model, and compared with the computed results. The comparison is shown in figure 4.8.

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## Bundle Adjustment

- What makes this non-linear minimization hard?
  - many more parameters: potentially slow
  - poorer conditioning (high correlation)
  - potentially lots of outliers
  - gauge (coordinate) freedom

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_{ij} &= f(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i) \\ \hat{v}_{ij} &= g(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)\end{aligned}$$

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## More Cool Robotics Share!



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# Robot Sensing: Feature Detection

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## Schedule of Events

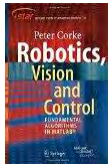
Week	Date	Lecture (W: 12:05-1:50, 50-N202)
1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& <i>Ekka Day</i> )
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Single View Geometry & Lines
<b>8</b>	<b>14-Sep</b>	<b>Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry &amp; Feature Detection</b>
9	21-Sep	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization & SLAM
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	Planning & Control
12	19-Oct	State-Space Modelling
13	26-Oct	Shaping the Dynamic Response/LQR + Course Review



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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

[UQ Library eBook:](#)  
[364220144X](#)

Today

### → Sensing and Vision ←

- Multiple View Geometry
  - P. 47
  - Hartley & Zisserman:  
Chapter 6: Camera Models  
Chapter 7: Camera Matrix

- Localization
  - Chapter 6: Localization

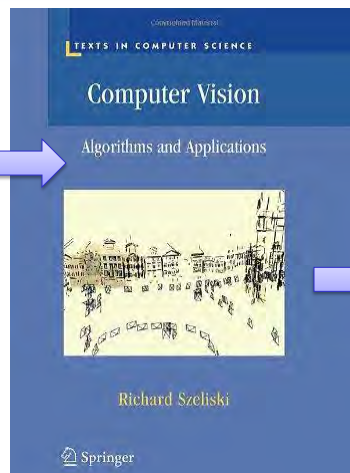
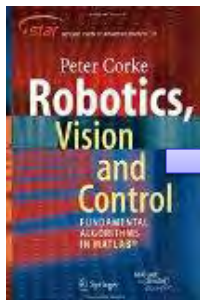
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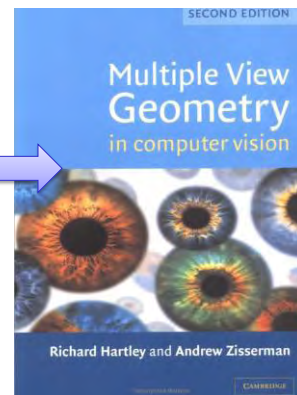
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## Reference Material



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## Announcement: Monday Lab → Demo Thur | Fri

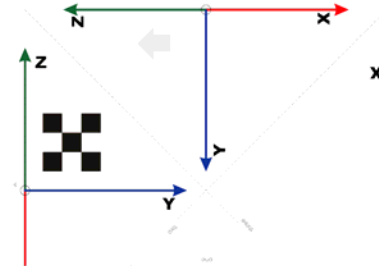
- Monday, October 3:
  - Queens Birthday Public Holiday
- “Makeup” Lab on Friday, October 7 from 4-6pm
- Monday Prac students may demo on Thursday (Oct 6) **or** Friday (Oct 7)
- Thursday Prac students to demo on Thursday (Oct 6)



## SIFT / Corners for the {Frame} finder

To find the Frame, Consider:

- Structure
  - Corners
  - SIFT
  - ???
- Calibration Sequence
- Thought Experiment:  
How do you make this traceable back to the {camera frame}



## Camera matrix calibration

- Advantages:
  - very simple to formulate and solve
  - can recover  $K [R | t]$  from  $M$  using QR decomposition [Golub & VanLoan 96]
- Disadvantages:
  - doesn't compute internal parameters
  - more unknowns than true degrees of freedom
  - need a separate camera matrix for each new view

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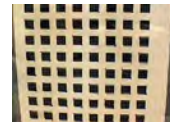


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## Multi-plane calibration

- Use several images of planar target held at unknown orientations [Zhang 99]
  - Compute plane homographies
$$\begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ v_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim K \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2 & t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim HX$$
  - Solve for  $K$ -TK-1 from  $H_k$ 's
    - 1 plane if only  $f$  unknown
    - 2 planes if  $(f, u_c, v_c)$  unknown
    - 3+ planes for full  $K$
  - Code available from Zhang and OpenCV



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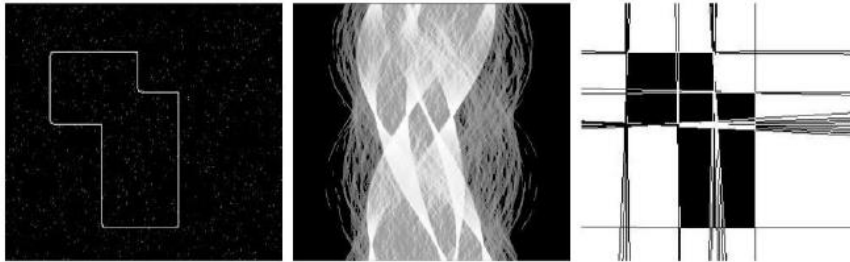
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# Lines (Recap)

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## Hough Transform



- Uses a voting mechanism
- Can be used for other lines and shapes (not just straight lines)

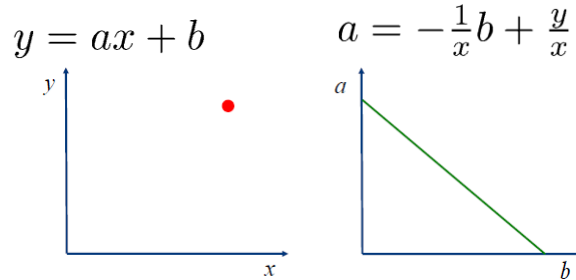


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## Hough Transform: Voting Space



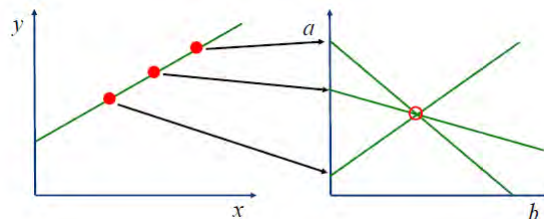
- Count the number of lines that can go through a point and move it from the “x-y” plane to the “a-b” plane
- There is only a one-“infinite” number (a line!) of solutions (not a two-“infinite” set – a plane)



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## Hough Transform: Voting Space



- In practice, the polar form is often used  

$$a = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$$
- This avoids problems with lines that are nearly vertical



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## Hough Transform: Algorithm

1. Quantize the parameter space appropriately.
2. Assume that each cell in the parameter space is an accumulator. Initialize all cells to zero.
3. For each point (x,y) in the (visual & range) image space, increment by 1 each of the accumulators that satisfy the equation.
4. Maxima in the accumulator array correspond to the parameters of model instances.



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## Line Detection – Hough Lines [1]

- A line in an image can be expressed as two variables:
  - Cartesian coordinate system: m,b
  - Polar coordinate system: r,  $\theta$ 
    - avoids problems with vert. lines

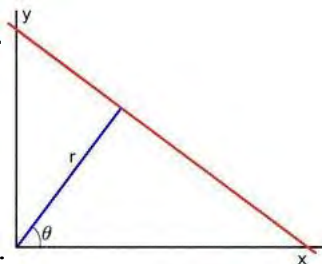
$$y=mx+b \rightarrow$$

$$y = \left( -\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) x + \left( \frac{r}{\sin \theta} \right)$$

- For each point (x<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>1</sub>) we can write:

$$r = x_1 \cos \theta + y_1 \sin \theta$$

- Each pair (r,  $\theta$ ) represents a line that passes through (x<sub>1</sub>, y<sub>1</sub>)



See also OpenCV documentation (cv::HoughLines)

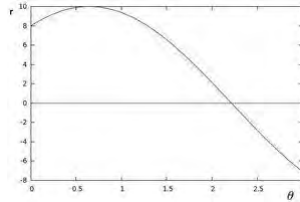


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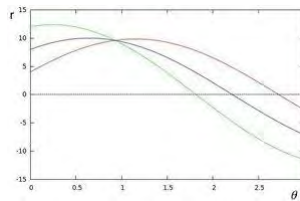
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## Line Detection – Hough Lines [2]

- Thus a given point gives a sinusoid



- Repeating for all points on the image

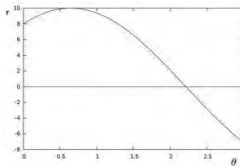


See also OpenCV documentation ([cv::HoughLines](#))

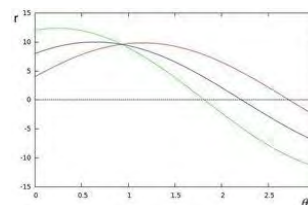


## Line Detection – Hough Lines [3]

- Thus a given point gives a sinusoid



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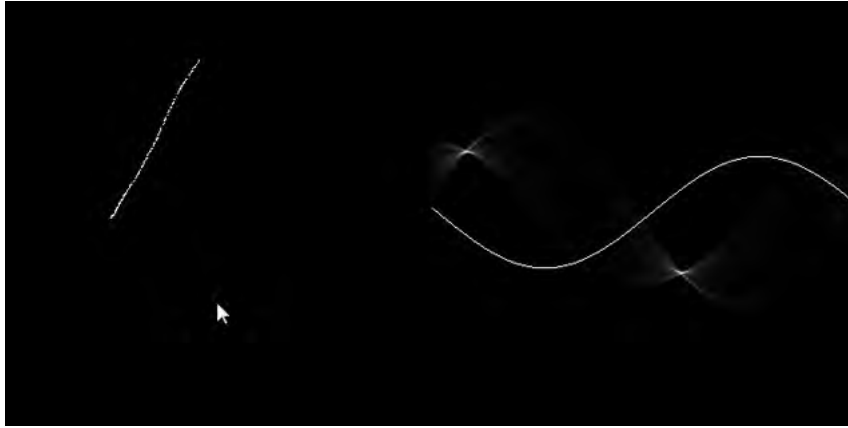
- NOTE that an intersection of sinusoids represents **(a point)** represents **a line** in which pixel points lay.

➔ Thus, a line can be *detected* by finding the number of Intersections between curves

See also OpenCV documentation ([cv::HoughLines](#))



## “Cool Robotics Share” -- Hough Transform



- [http://www.activovision.com/octavi/doku.php?id=hough\\_transform](http://www.activovision.com/octavi/doku.php?id=hough_transform)



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## RANdom SAMple Consensus

1. Repeatedly select a small (minimal) subset of correspondences
  2. Estimate a solution (in this case a the line)
  3. Count the number of “inliers”,  $|e| < \Theta$   
(for LMS, estimate  $\text{med}(|e|)$ )
  4. Pick the *best* subset of inliers
  5. Find a complete least-squares solution
- Related to least median squares
  - See also:  
MAPSAC (Maximum *A Posteriori* SAMple Consensus)

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# Feature Detection

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- SIFT

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## How to get Matching Points? Features

- ~~Colour~~
- Corners
- Edges
- Lines
- Statistics on Edges: SIFT, SURF, ORB...

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## Why extract features?

- **Object detection**
- Robot Navigation
- Scene Recognition



- Steps:
  - Extract Features
  - Match Features

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## Why extract features? [2]

- Panorama stitching...  
→ Step 3: Align images



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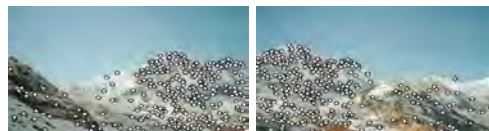


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## Characteristics of good features

- Repeatability
  - The same feature can be found in several images despite geometric and photometric transformations
- Saliency
  - Each feature is distinctive
- Compactness and efficiency
  - Many fewer features than image pixels
- Locality
  - A feature occupies a relatively small area of the image; robust to clutter and occlusion



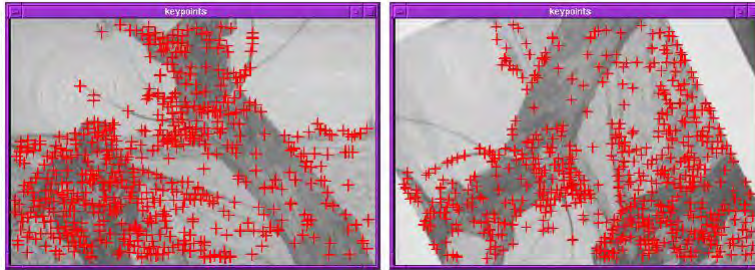
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## Finding Corners



- Key property: in the region around a corner, image gradient has two or more dominant directions
- Corners are repeatable and distinctive

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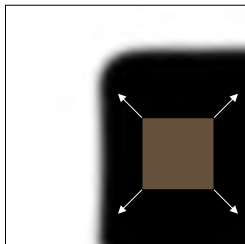


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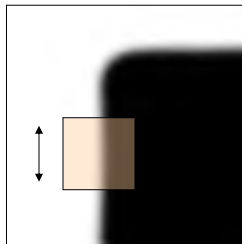
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## Corner Detection: Basic Idea

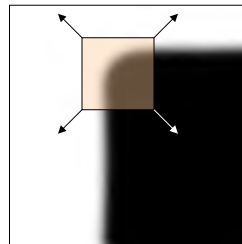
- Look through a window
- Shifting a window in any direction should give a large change in intensity



“flat” region:  
no change in  
all directions



“edge”:  
no change along  
the edge direction



“corner”:  
significant change  
in all directions

Source: A. Efros



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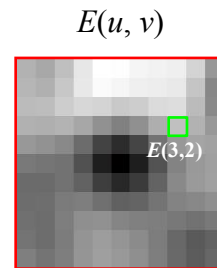
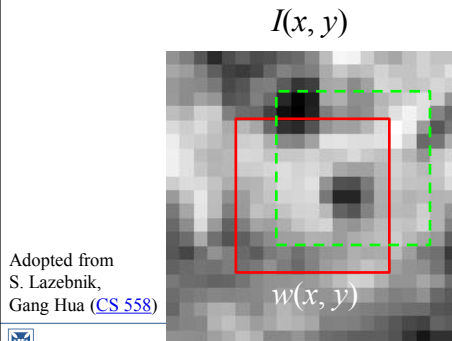
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## Corner Detection: Mathematics

Change in appearance of window  $w(x,y)$   
for the shift  $[u,v]$ :

$$E(u,v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x,y) [I(x+u, y+v) - I(x,y)]^2$$

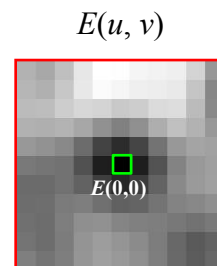
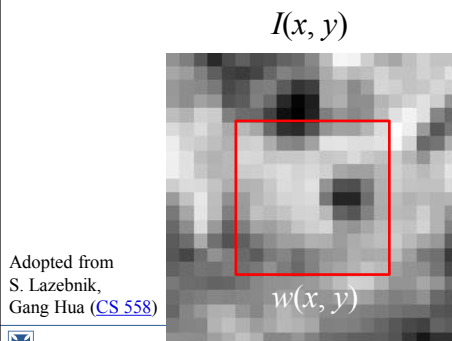


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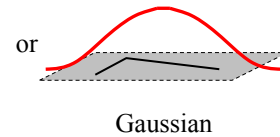
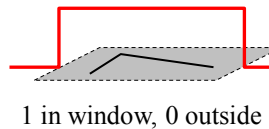
$$E(u, v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x, y) [I(x+u, y+v) - I(x, y)]^2$$

Window  
function

Shifted  
intensity

Intensity

Window function  $w(x,y) =$



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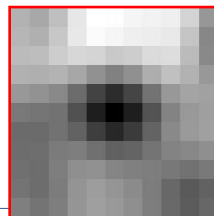
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We want to find out how this function behaves for small shifts

$E(u, v)$



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$$E(u,v) \approx E(0,0) + [u \ v] \begin{bmatrix} E_u(0,0) \\ E_v(0,0) \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} [u \ v] \begin{bmatrix} E_{uu}(0,0) & E_{uv}(0,0) \\ E_{vu}(0,0) & E_{vv}(0,0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

Local quadratic approximation of  $E(u,v)$  in the neighborhood of  $(0,0)$  is given by the *second-order Taylor expansion*:

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## Corner Detection: Mathematics

$$E(u,v) = \sum_{x,y} w(x,y) [I(x+u, y+v) - I(x,y)]^2$$

Second-order Taylor expansion of  $E(u,v)$  about  $(0,0)$ :

$$E(u,v) \approx E(0,0) + [u \ v] \begin{bmatrix} E_u(0,0) \\ E_v(0,0) \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} [u \ v] \begin{bmatrix} E_{uu}(0,0) & E_{uv}(0,0) \\ E_{vu}(0,0) & E_{vv}(0,0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_u(u,v) = \sum_{x,y} 2w(x,y) [I(x+u, y+v) - I(x,y)] I_x(x+u, y+v)$$

$$E_{uu}(u,v) = \sum_{x,y} 2w(x,y) I_x(x+u, y+v) I_x(x+u, y+v) \\ + \sum_{x,y} 2w(x,y) [I(x+u, y+v) - I(x,y)] I_{xx}(x+u, y+v)$$

$$E_{uv}(u,v) = \sum_{x,y} 2w(x,y) I_y(x+u, y+v) I_x(x+u, y+v) \\ + \sum_{x,y} 2w(x,y) [I(x+u, y+v) - I(x,y)] I_{xy}(x+u, y+v)$$

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$$E(0, 0) = 0$$

$$E_u(0, 0) = 0$$

$$E_v(0, 0) = 0$$

$$E_{uu}(0, 0) = \sum_{x, y} 2w(x, y) I_x(x, y) I_x(x, y)$$

$$E_{vv}(0, 0) = \sum_{x, y} 2w(x, y) I_y(x, y) I_y(x, y)$$

$$E_{uv}(0, 0) = \sum_{x, y} 2w(x, y) I_x(x, y) I_y(x, y)$$

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## Harris detector: Steps

- Compute Gaussian derivatives at each pixel
- Compute second moment matrix M in a Gaussian window around each pixel
- Compute corner response function R
- Threshold R
- Find local maxima of response function (nonmaximum suppression)

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## Harris Detector: Steps



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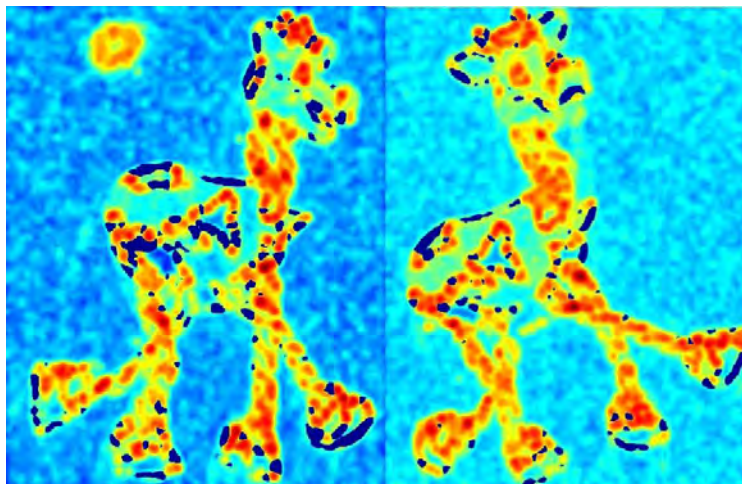


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## Harris Detector: Steps

Compute corner response  $R$



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## Harris Detector: Steps

Find points with large corner response:  $R > \text{threshold}$



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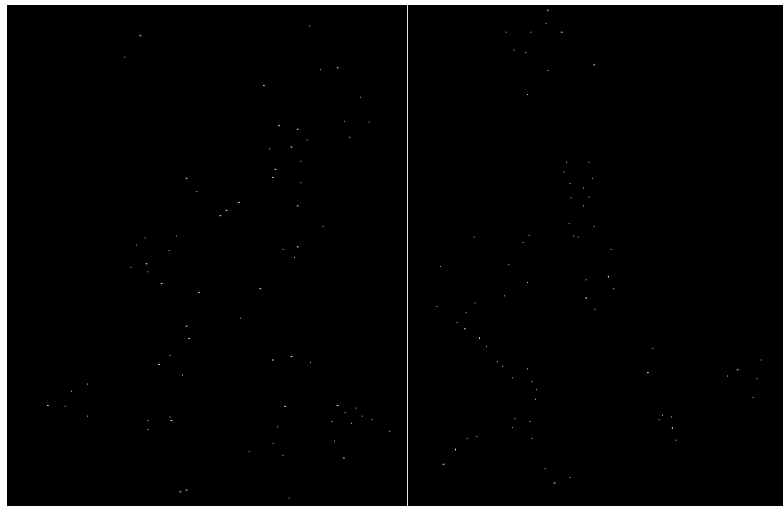


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## Harris Detector: Steps

Take only the points of local maxima of  $R$



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## Harris Detector: Steps



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## Invariance and covariance

- We want corner locations to be invariant to photometric transformations and covariant to geometric transformations
  - Invariance: image is transformed and corner locations do not change
  - Covariance: if we have two transformed versions of the same image, features should be detected in corresponding locations



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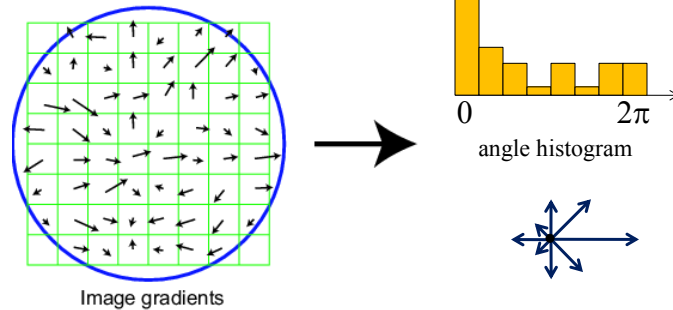
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## Scale Invariant Feature Transform

Basic idea:

- Take 16x16 square window around detected feature
- Compute edge orientation (angle of the gradient -  $90^\circ$ ) for each pixel
- Throw out weak edges (threshold gradient magnitude)
- Create histogram of surviving edge orientations



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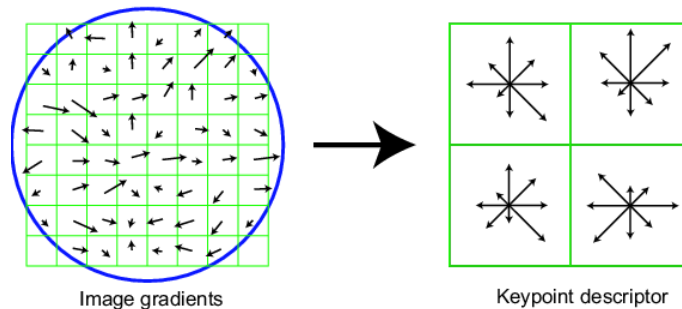
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## SIFT descriptor

Full version

- Divide the 16x16 window into a 4x4 grid of cells (2x2 case shown below)
- Compute an orientation histogram for each cell
- 16 cells \* 8 orientations = 128 dimensional descriptor



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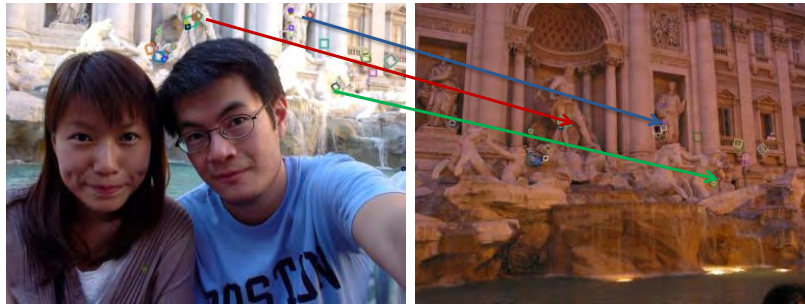
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## Properties of SIFT

- Extraordinarily robust matching technique
  - Can handle changes in viewpoint
    - Up to about 60 degree out of plane rotation
  - Can handle significant changes in illumination
    - Sometimes even day vs. night (below)
  - Fast and efficient—can run in real time
  - Lots of code available
    - [http://people.csail.mit.edu/albert/ladypack/wiki/index.php/Known\\_implementations\\_of\\_SIFT](http://people.csail.mit.edu/albert/ladypack/wiki/index.php/Known_implementations_of_SIFT)



From David Lowe and Szeliski, [Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications](#)



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## Feature matching

- Given a feature in  $I_1$ , how to find the best match in  $I_2$ ?
  1. Define distance function that compares two descriptors
  2. Test all the features in  $I_2$ , find the one with min distance

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## Feature distance

- How to define the difference between two features  $f_1, f_2$ ?
  - Simple approach is  $SSD(f_1, f_2)$ 
    - sum of square differences between entries of the two descriptors
    - can give good scores to very ambiguous (bad) matches



$I_1$

$I_2$

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## Feature distance

- How to define the difference between two features  $f_1, f_2$ ?
  - Better approach: ratio distance =  $SSD(f_1, f_2) / SSD(f_1, f_2')$ 
    - $f_2$  is best SSD match to  $f_1$  in  $I_2$
    - $f_2'$  is 2<sup>nd</sup> best SSD match to  $f_1$  in  $I_2$
    - gives small values for ambiguous matches



$I_1$

$I_2$

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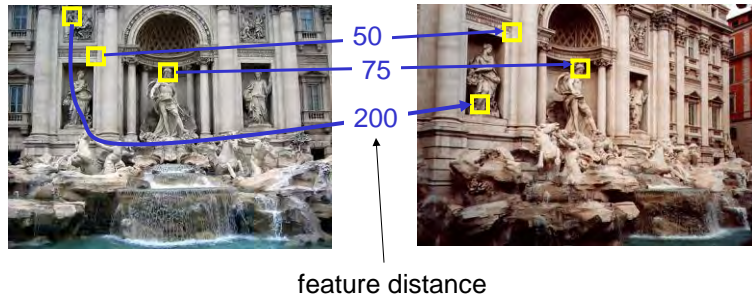


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## Evaluating the results

- How can we measure the performance of a feature matcher?



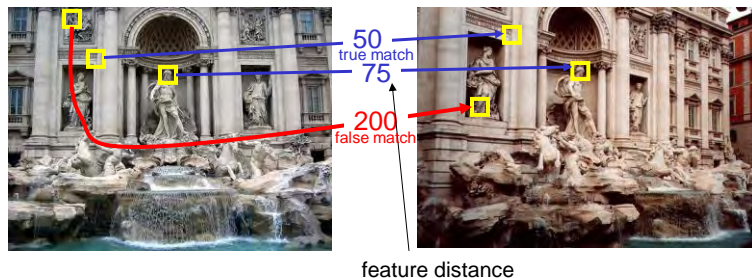
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## True/false positives



- The distance threshold affects performance
  - True positives = # of detected matches that are correct
    - Suppose we want to maximize these—how to choose threshold?
  - False positives = # of detected matches that are incorrect
    - Suppose we want to minimize these—how to choose threshold?

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## Levenberg-Marquardt

- Iterative non-linear least squares [Press'92]
  - Linearize measurement equations

$$\hat{u}_i = f(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{x}_i) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{m}} \Delta \mathbf{m}$$

$$\hat{v}_i = g(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{x}_i) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial \mathbf{m}} \Delta \mathbf{m}$$

- Substitute into log-likelihood equation:  
quadratic cost function in  $\Delta \mathbf{m}$

$$\sum_i \sigma_i^{-2} (\hat{u}_i - u_i + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{m}} \Delta \mathbf{m})^2 + \dots$$

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## Levenberg-Marquardt

- What if it doesn't converge?
  - Multiply diagonal by  $(1 + l)$ , increase  $l$  until it does
  - Halve the step size  $\Delta \mathbf{m}$  (my favorite)
  - Use line search
  - Other ideas?
- Uncertainty analysis: covariance  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$
- Is maximum likelihood the best idea?
- How to start in vicinity of global minimum?

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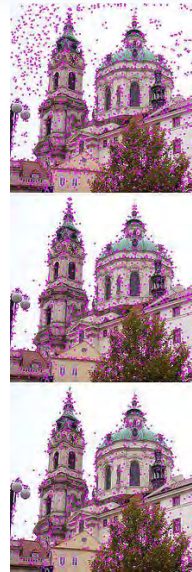
# Feature Based Vision Extras

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## Scale Invariant Feature Transforms

- Goal was to define an algorithm to describe an image with features
- This would enable a number of different applications:
  - Feature Matching
  - Object / Image Matching
  - Orientation / Homography Resolution



Wikipedia: Scale Invariant  
Feature Transforms (2014)



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## SIFT: Feature Definition

- SIFT features are defined as the local extrema in a Difference of Gaussian (D) Scale Pyramid.

$$D(x, y, \sigma) = L(x, y, k_1\sigma) - L(x, y, k_2\sigma)$$

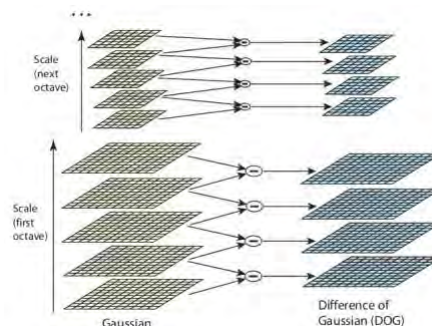
Where

$$L(x, y, k_i\sigma) = G(x, y, k_i\sigma) * I(x, y)$$



## SIFT: Scale Pyramid

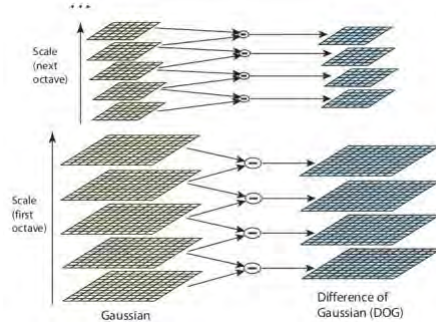
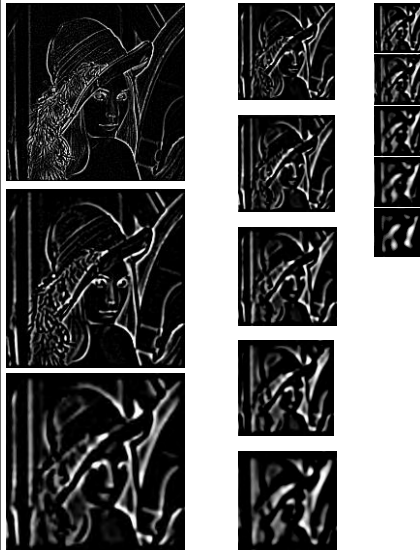
- D images are organised into a pyramid of progressively blurred images.
- Separated into octaves and scale levels per octave.
- Between octaves image is decimated by a factor of 2.



Lowe, D. G. (2004). Distinctive image features from scale-invariant keypoints. *International journal of computer vision*, 60(2), 91-110.



## SIFT: Scale Pyramid



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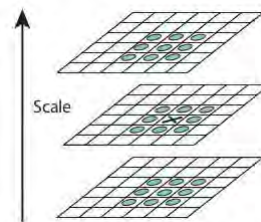


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## SIFT: Feature Detection

- Each scale level in the image is evaluated for features.
- A feature is defined as a local maximum or minimum.
- For efficiency the 26 surrounding points are evaluated.



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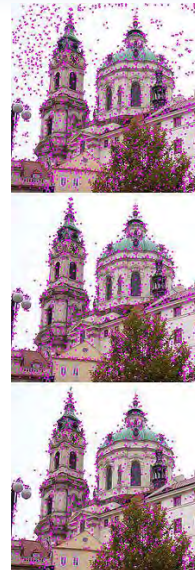
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## SIFT: Feature Reduction

- Initial feature detection over detects features descriptive of the image.
- Initially remove features with low contrast.
- Then evaluate features to remove any edge responses.



Wikipedia: Scale Invariant Feature Transforms (2014)

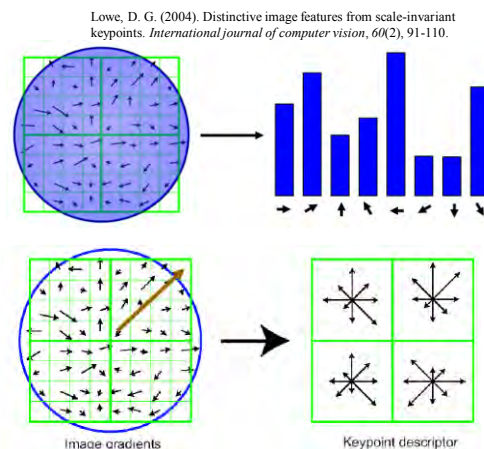


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## SIFT: Feature Description

- Features are described using the pixel gradients in a 16x16 square centring on the feature point.
- These gradients are then segmented into 4x4 boxes. An 8 bin orientation histogram is created to define the box.



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## SIFT: Feature Matching

- A match is defined as a pair of features with the closest Euclidian distance to each other.
- Matches above a threshold are culled to improve match.

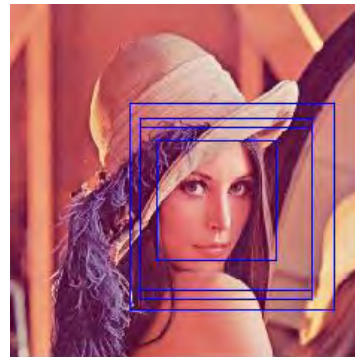


OpenCV: Feature Matching (2014)



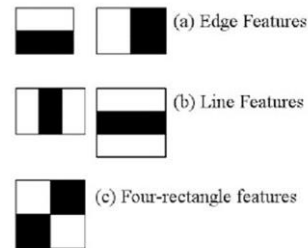
## Boosted Cascade Haar-like Weak Classifiers

- Fast object detector designed primarily for use in face detection.
- Uses a cascade of weak classifiers to define object match.



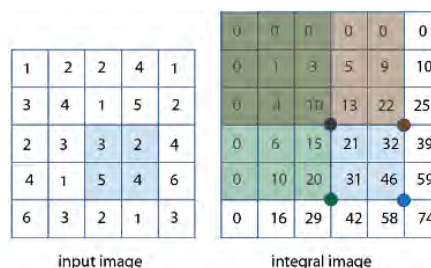
## Viola Jones: Feature Definition

- Feature is classified as being the difference between the average intensity of two or more image sections.
- Can be any arithmetic combination of section values.



## Viola Jones: Efficient Calculation of Features

- Fast calculation of the feature value is obtained by calculating the integral image.
- This leaves at most 4 sum operations to calculate a feature.



## Viola Jones: Boosting

- Iteratively selects best classifier for detection.
- Assigns weights to each classifier to indicate likelihood of classifier indicating positive detection
- If the sum of the weights of positive classifier responses is above a threshold then there is a positive detection.

- Given example images  $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  where  $y_i = 0, 1$  for negative and positive examples respectively.
- Initialize weights  $w_{1,i} = \frac{1}{2m}, \frac{1}{2l}$  for  $y_i = 0, 1$  respectively, where  $m$  and  $l$  are the number of negatives and positives respectively.
- For  $t = 1, \dots, T$ :

1. Normalize the weights,

$$w_{t,i} \leftarrow \frac{w_{t,i}}{\sum_{j=1}^n w_{t,j}}$$

so that  $w_t$  is a probability distribution.

2. For each feature,  $j$ , train a classifier  $h_j$  which is restricted to using a single feature. The error is evaluated with respect to  $w_t$ ,  $\epsilon_j = \sum_i w_i |h_j(x_i) - y_i|$ .
3. Choose the classifier,  $h_t$ , with the lowest error  $\epsilon_t$ .
4. Update the weights:

$$w_{t+1,i} = w_{t,i} \beta_t^{1-e_i}$$

where  $e_i = 0$  if example  $x_i$  is classified correctly,  $e_i = 1$  otherwise, and  $\beta_t = \frac{\epsilon_t}{1-\epsilon_t}$ .

- The final strong classifier is:

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t h_t(x) \geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha_t = \log \frac{1}{\beta_t}$

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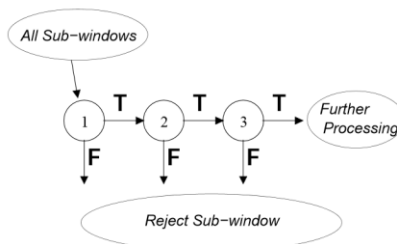


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## Viola Jones: Boosted Cascades

- Effective boosted classifiers require a high number of weak classifiers.
- However, simple low count classifiers offer high rejection rate.
- Solution is to use cascaded classifiers.



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# Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry

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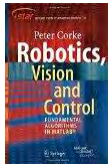
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1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& Ekka Day)
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Single View Geometry & Lines
8	14-Sep	Robot Sensing: Feature Detection
9	21-Sep	<b>Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry</b>
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization & SLAM
12	19-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Planning & Control
13	26-Oct	State-Space Automation (Shaping the Dynamic Response/LQR) + Course Review



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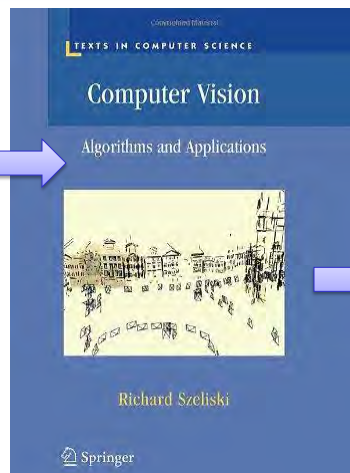
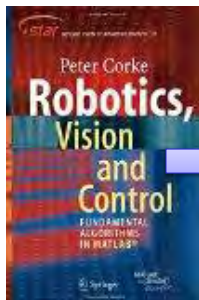
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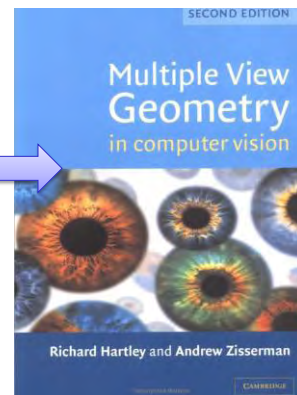
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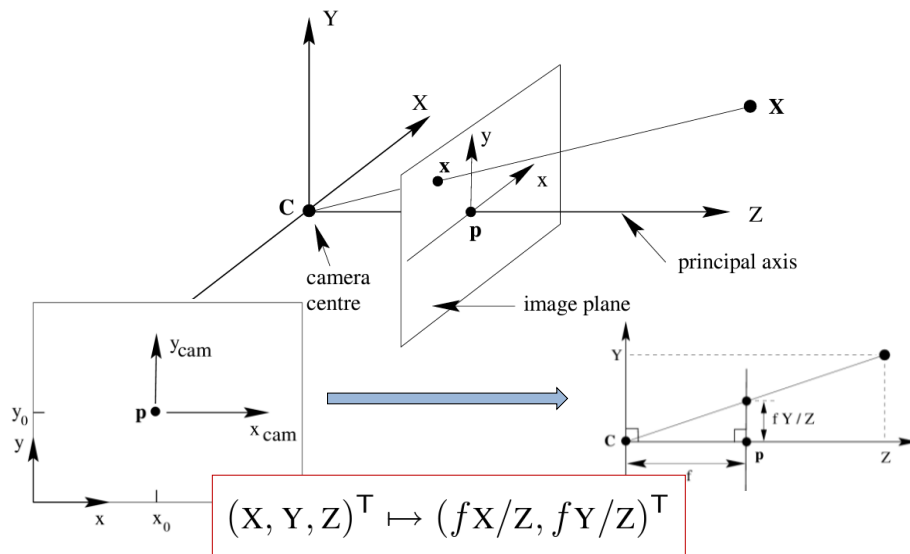
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# Multiple View Geometry

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## Image Formation – Single View Geometry [I]



Hartly & Zisserman, Ch. 6



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## Image Formation – Single View Geometry [II]

### → Camera Projection Matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{\text{world}} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} fX + Zp_x \\ fY + Zp_y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{\text{camera}} = \begin{bmatrix} f & p_x & 0 \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{\text{Intrinsics}} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $x$  = Image point
- $\mathbf{X}$  = World point
- $K$  = Camera Calibration Matrix

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & p_x \\ 0 & f & p_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = K[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}]\mathbf{x}_{\text{cam}}.$$

### → Perspective Camera as:

where:  $P$  is  $3 \times 4$  and of **rank 3**

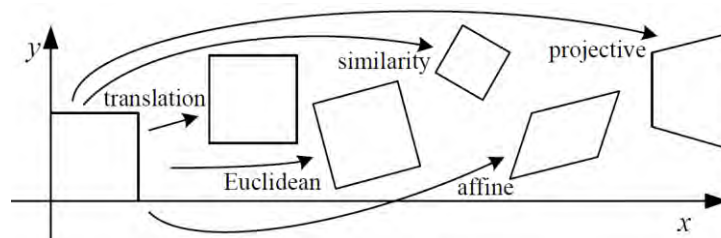
$$P = K[R \mid \mathbf{t}]$$



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## Transformations



- $\mathbf{x}'$ : New Image &  $\mathbf{x}$ : Old Image

- Euclidean:  
(Distances preserved)

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

- Similarity (Scaled Rotation):  
(Angles preserved)

$$\mathbf{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$$

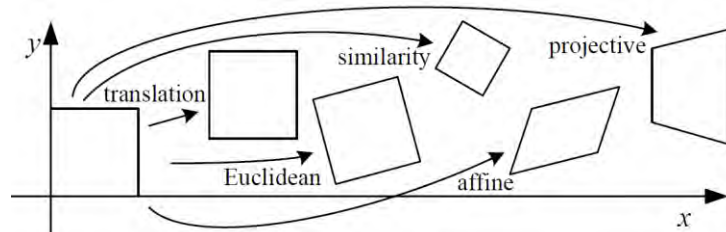
Fig. 2.4 from Szeliski, *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*



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## Transformations [2]



- Affine :  
(|| lines remain ||)

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & a_{02} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

- Projective:  
(straight lines preserved)  
H: Homogenous 3x3 Matrix

$$\underline{x}' = \mathbf{H} \underline{x}$$

$$x' = \frac{h_{00}x + h_{01}y + h_{02}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}}$$

$$y' = \frac{h_{10}x + h_{11}y + h_{12}}{h_{20}x + h_{21}y + h_{22}}$$

Fig. 2.4 from Szeliski, Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications



## 2-D Transformations

➔  $\underline{x}'$  = point in the **new** (or 2<sup>nd</sup>) image

➔  $\underline{x}$  = point in the old image

- Translation  $\underline{x}' = \underline{x} + \underline{t}$
- Rotation  $\underline{x}' = \mathbf{R} \underline{x} + \underline{t}$
- Similarity  $\underline{x}' = s\mathbf{R} \underline{x} + \underline{t}$
- Affine  $\underline{x}' = \mathbf{A} \underline{x}$
- Projective  $\underline{x}' = \mathbf{A} \underline{x}$






here,  $\underline{x}$  is an inhomogeneous pt (2-vector)

$\underline{x}'$  is a homogeneous point










## 2-D Transformations

Name	Matrix	# D.O.F.	Preserves:	Icon
translation	$\begin{bmatrix} I & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	2	orientation + ...	
rigid (Euclidean)	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	3	lengths + ...	
similarity	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	4	angles + ...	
affine	$\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$	6	parallelism + ...	
projective	$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$	8	straight lines	



## 3D Transformations

Name	Matrix	# D.O.F.	Preserves:	Icon
translation	$\begin{bmatrix} I & t \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	3	orientation + ...	
rigid (Euclidean)	$\begin{bmatrix} R & t \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	6	lengths + ...	
similarity	$\begin{bmatrix} sR & t \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	7	angles + ...	
affine	$\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 4}$	12	parallelism + ...	
projective	$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H} \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 4}$	15	straight lines	



## Projection Models

- Orthographic

- Weak Perspective

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} i_x & i_y & i_z & t_x \\ j_x & j_y & j_z & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Affine

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = f \begin{bmatrix} i_x & i_y & i_z & t_x \\ j_x & j_y & j_z & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Perspective

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Projective

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = [\mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{t}]$$

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Properties of Projection

- Preserves

- Lines and conics
- Incidence
- Invariants (cross-ratio)

- Does not preserve

- Lengths
- Angles
- Parallelism

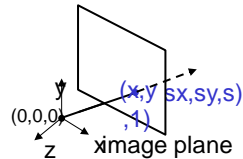


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## Planar Projective Transformations

- Perspective projection of a plane
  - lots of names for this:
    - homography, colineation, planar projective map
  - Easily modeled using homogeneous coordinates



$$\begin{bmatrix} sx' \\ sy' \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{p}' \quad \mathbf{H} \quad \mathbf{p}$

To apply a homography  $\mathbf{H}$

- compute  $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}$
- $\mathbf{p}'' = \mathbf{p}'/s$  normalize by dividing by third component

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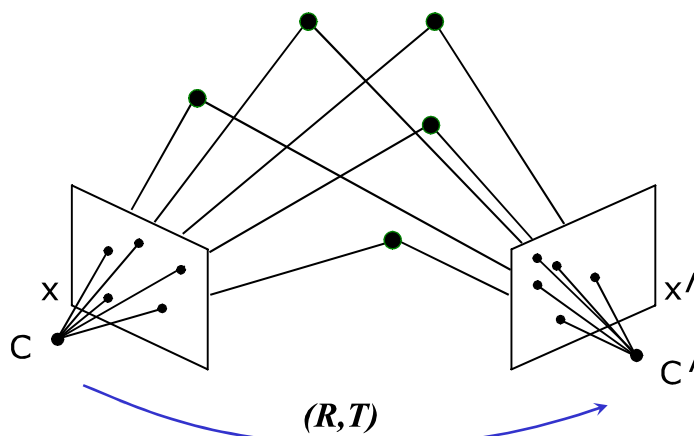


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## Image Formation – Two-View Geometry [Stereopsis]

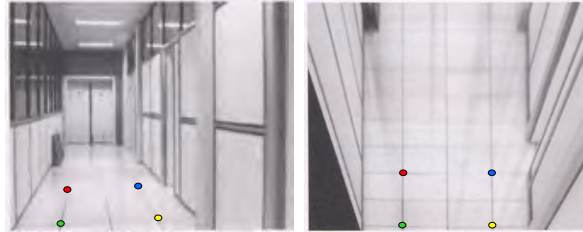
→ Fundamental Matrix



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## Image Rectification



### To unwarp (rectify) an image

- solve for  $\mathbf{H}$  given  $\mathbf{p}''$  and  $\mathbf{p}$
- solve equations of the form:  $s\mathbf{p}'' = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{p}$ 
  - linear in unknowns:  $s$  and coefficients of  $\mathbf{H}$
  - need at least 4 points

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## 3D Projective Geometry

- These concepts generalize naturally to 3D
  - Homogeneous coordinates
    - Projective 3D points have four coords:  $\mathbf{P} = (X, Y, Z, W)$
  - Duality
    - A plane  $\mathbf{L}$  is also represented by a 4-vector
    - Points and planes are dual in 3D:  $\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{P} = 0$
  - Projective transformations
    - Represented by 4x4 matrices  $\mathbf{T}$ :  $\mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{P}$ ,  $\mathbf{L}' = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{T}^{-1}$
  - Lines are a special case...

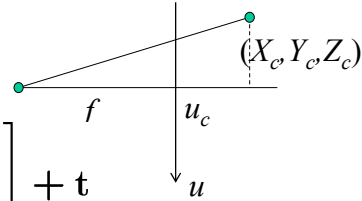
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## 3D → 2D Perspective Projection (Image Formation Equations)



$$\begin{bmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{R}]_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{t}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f & 0 & u_c \\ 0 & f & v_c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_c \\ Y_c \\ Z_c \end{bmatrix}$$

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## 3D → 2D Perspective Projection

- Matrix Projection (camera matrix):

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} sx \\ sy \\ s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{\Pi} \mathbf{P}$$

It's useful to decompose  $\mathbf{\Pi}$  into  $\mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \text{project} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}$

$$\mathbf{\Pi} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & -t_x \\ 0 & s_y & -t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1/f \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{intrinsics}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{projection}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{orientation}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{T}_{3 \times 1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{position}}$$

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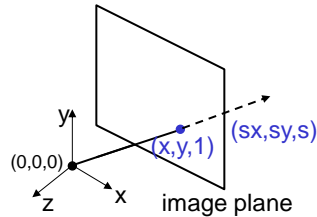


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## The Projective Plane

- Why do we need homogeneous coordinates?
  - Represent points at infinity, homographies, perspective projection, multi-view relationships
- What is the geometric intuition?
  - A point in the image is a ray in projective space



- Each *point*  $(x,y)$  on the plane is represented by a *ray*  $(sx,sy,s)$ 
  - all points on the ray are equivalent:  $(x, y, 1) \equiv (sx, sy, s)$

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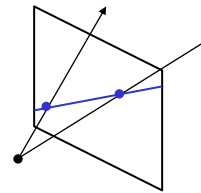


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## Projective Lines

- What is a line in projective space?



- A line is a *plane* of rays through origin
  - all rays  $(x,y,z)$  satisfying:  $ax + by + cz = 0$

in vector notation:  $0 = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$

$\mathbf{l}^T \mathbf{p}$

- A line is represented as a homogeneous 3-vector  $\mathbf{l}$

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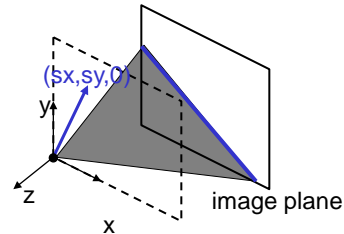
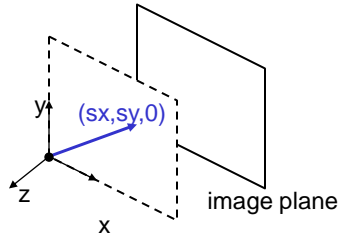


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## Ideal points and lines

- Ideal point (“point at infinity”)
  - $p \cong (x, y, 0)$  – parallel to image plane
  - It has infinite image coordinates



## Line at infinity

- $l_{\infty} \cong (0, 0, 1)$  – parallel to image plane
- Contains all ideal points

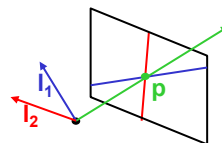
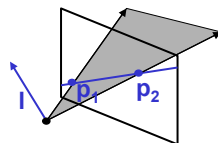


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## Point and Line Duality

- A line  $l$  is a homogeneous 3-vector (a ray)
- It is  $\perp$  to every point (ray)  $p$  on the line:  $l^T p = 0$



- What is the line  $l$  spanned by rays  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  ?
  - $l$  is  $\perp$  to  $p_1$  and  $p_2 \Rightarrow l = p_1 \times p_2$  ( $l$  is the plane normal)
- What is the intersection of two lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  ?
  - $p$  is  $\perp$  to  $l_1$  and  $l_2 \Rightarrow p = l_1 \times l_2$
- Points and lines are *dual* in projective space
  - every property of points also applies to lines



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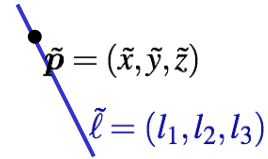
## Point and Line Duality [II]



Homogeneous  $\Leftrightarrow$  Cartesian

- Point:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z}) \quad | \quad \mathbf{P} = (x, y) \quad x = \frac{\tilde{x}}{\tilde{z}}, y = \frac{\tilde{y}}{\tilde{z}}$$



- Line:

- Is such that  $\tilde{l}^T \tilde{p} = 0$
- Point Eq of a line is:  $y = mx + b$

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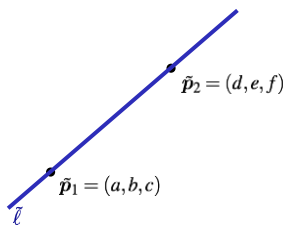


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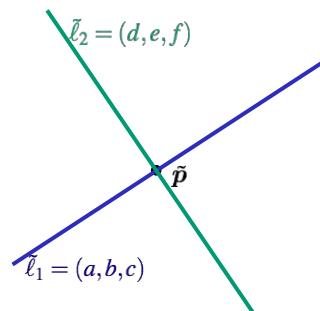
## Point and Line Duality [III]

- 2 Points Make a Line



$$\tilde{l} = \tilde{p}_1 \times \tilde{p}_2$$

- 2 Lines Make Point!



$$\tilde{p} = \tilde{l}_1 \times \tilde{l}_2$$

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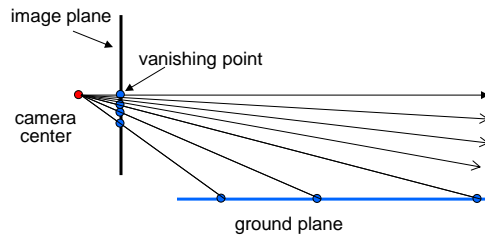
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## Vanishing Points

- Vanishing point
  - projection of a point at infinity
  - whiteboard capture, architecture,...



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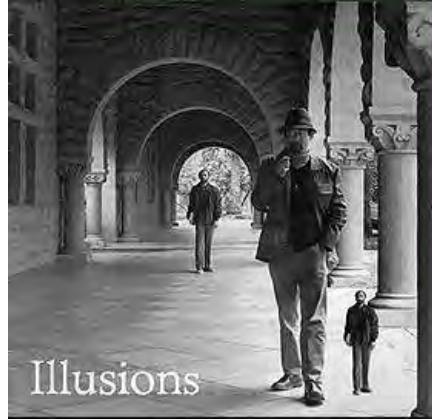
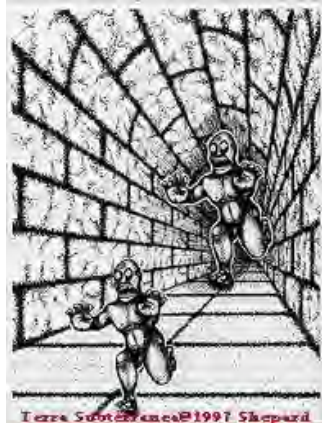
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## Fun With Vanishing Points



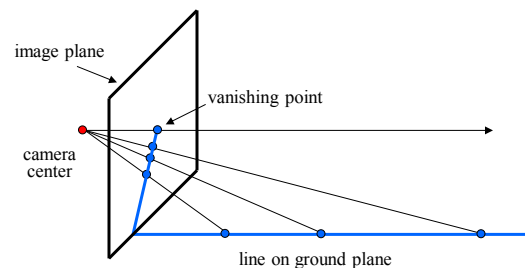
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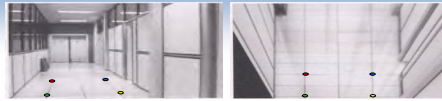
## Vanishing Points (2D)



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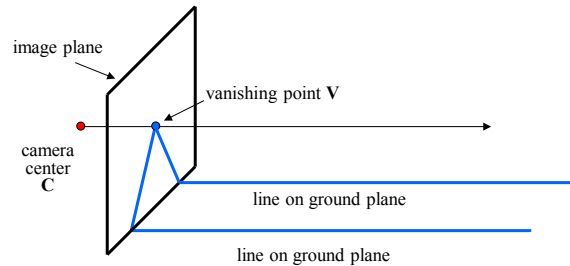
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## Vanishing Points



- Properties

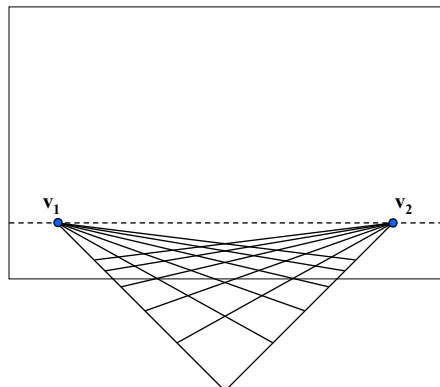
- Any two parallel lines have the same vanishing point
- The ray from  $C$  through  $v$  point is parallel to the lines
- An image may have more than one vanishing point



## Vanishing Lines

- Multiple Vanishing Points

- Any set of parallel lines on the plane define a vanishing point
- The union of all of these vanishing points is the horizon line



## Stereo: epipolar geometry

- for two images (or images with collinear camera centers), can find epipolar lines
- epipolar lines are the projection of the pencil of planes passing through the centers
- Rectification: warping the input images (perspective transformation) so that epipolar lines are horizontal

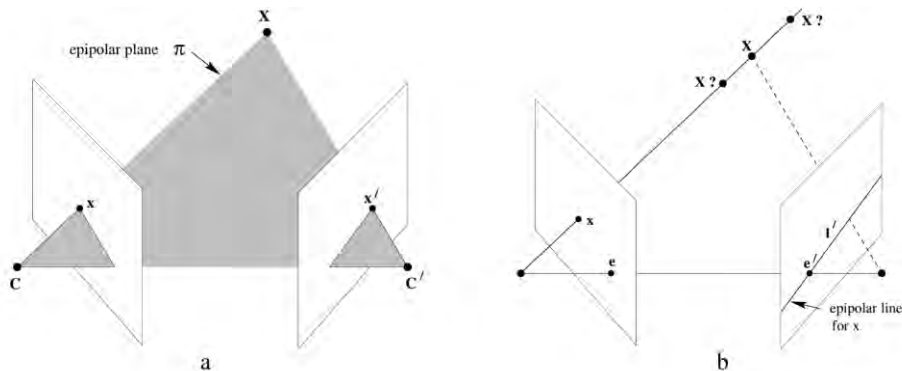
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## Two-View Geometry: Epipolar Plane



- **Epipole:** The *point* of intersection of the line joining the camera centres (the baseline) with the image plane. Equivalently, the epipole is the image in one view of the camera centre of the other view.
- **Epipolar plane** is a plane containing the baseline. There is a one-parameter family (a pencil) of epipolar planes
- **Epipolar line** is the intersection of an epipolar plane with the image plane. All epipolar lines intersect at the epipole. An epipolar plane intersects the left and right image planes in epipolar lines, and defines the correspondence between the lines.



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## Two-frame methods

- Two main variants:
- Calibrated: “Essential matrix”  $E$   
use ray directions  $(x_i, x_i')$
- Uncalibrated: “Fundamental matrix”  $F$
- [Hartley & Zisserman 2000]

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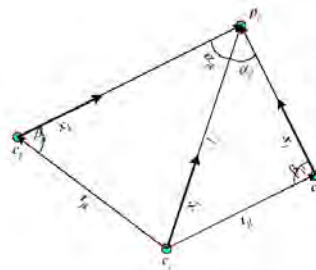


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## Essential matrix

- Co-planarity constraint:
  - $x' \approx R x + t$
  - $[t] \times x' \approx [t] \times R x$
  - $x' [t] \times x' \approx x' [t] \times R x$
  - $x' E x = 0$  with  $E = [t] \times R$



- Solve for  $E$  using least squares (SVD)
- $t$  is the least singular vector of  $E$
- $R$  obtained from the other two s.v.s

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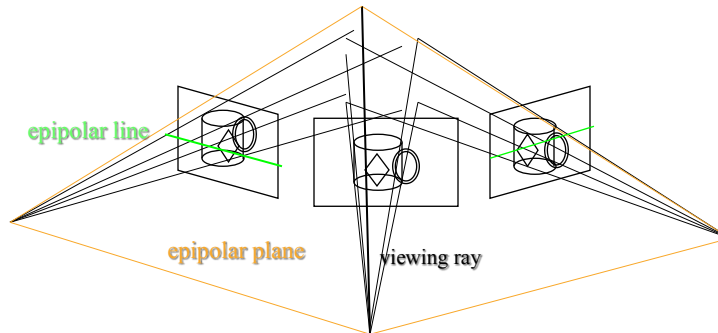


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## Stereo: Epipolar geometry

- Match features along epipolar lines



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## Fundamental Matrix

- The fundamental matrix is the algebraic representation of epipolar geometry.

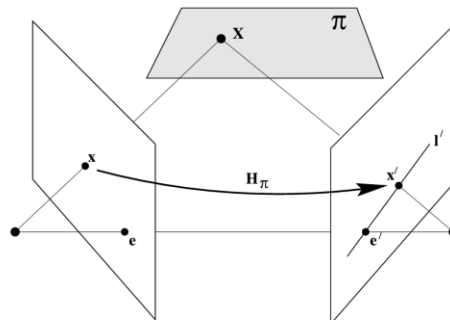


Fig. 9.5. A point  $\mathbf{x}$  in one image is transferred via the plane  $\pi$  to a matching point  $\mathbf{x}'$  in the second image. The epipolar line through  $\mathbf{x}'$  is obtained by joining  $\mathbf{x}'$  to the epipole  $\mathbf{e}'$ . In symbols one may write  $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{H}_\pi \mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{l}' = [\mathbf{e}']_\times \mathbf{x}' = [\mathbf{e}']_\times \mathbf{H}_\pi \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}$  where  $\mathbf{F} = [\mathbf{e}']_\times \mathbf{H}_\pi$  is the fundamental matrix.



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## Fundamental matrix

- Camera calibrations are unknown
- $\mathbf{x}'^T \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x} = 0$  with  $\mathbf{F} = [\mathbf{e}]_{\times} \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}'^T [\mathbf{t}]_{\times} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1}$
- Solve for  $\mathbf{F}$  using least squares (SVD)
  - re-scale  $(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i')$  so that  $|\mathbf{x}_i| \approx 1/2$  [Hartley]
- $\mathbf{e}$  (epipole) is still the least singular vector of  $\mathbf{F}$
- $\mathbf{H}$  obtained from the other two s.v.s
- “plane + parallax” (projective) reconstruction
- use self-calibration to determine  $\mathbf{K}$  [Pollefeys]

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## Fundamental Matrix Example

- Suppose the camera matrices are those of a calibrated stereo rig with the world origin at the first camera

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{I} \mid \mathbf{0}] \quad \mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{K}'[\mathbf{R} \mid \mathbf{t}].$$

- Then:

$$\mathbf{P}^+ = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0}^T \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Epipoles are at:

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{P} \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{t} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{t} \quad \mathbf{e}' = \mathbf{P}' \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{K}' \mathbf{t}.$$

$\therefore$

$$\mathbf{F} = [\mathbf{e}']_{\times} \mathbf{K}' \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}'^{-T} [\mathbf{t}]_{\times} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}'^{-T} \mathbf{R} [\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{t}]_{\times} \mathbf{K}^{-1} = \mathbf{K}'^{-T} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}^T [\mathbf{e}]_{\times}$$



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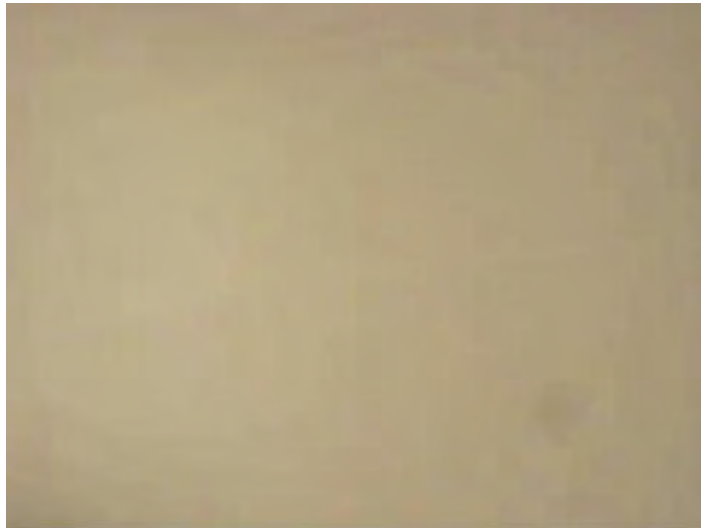
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## Summary of fundamental matrix properties

- $F$  is a rank 2 homogeneous matrix with 7 degrees of freedom.
- **Point correspondence:** If  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{x}'$  are corresponding image points, then  $\mathbf{x}'^T F \mathbf{x} = 0$ .
- **Epipolar lines:**
  - ◊  $\mathbf{l}' = F \mathbf{x}$  is the epipolar line corresponding to  $\mathbf{x}$ .
  - ◊  $\mathbf{l} = F^T \mathbf{x}'$  is the epipolar line corresponding to  $\mathbf{x}'$ .
- **Epipoles:**
  - ◊  $F \mathbf{e} = 0$ .
  - ◊  $F^T \mathbf{e}' = 0$ .
- **Computation from camera matrices  $P, P'$ :**
  - ◊ General cameras,  $F = [\mathbf{e}']_{\times} P' P^+$ , where  $P^+$  is the pseudo-inverse of  $P$ , and  $\mathbf{e}' = P' \mathbf{C}$ , with  $P \mathbf{C} = 0$ .
  - ◊ Canonical cameras,  $P = [I \mid 0]$ ,  $P' = [M \mid \mathbf{m}]$ ,  $F = [\mathbf{e}']_{\times} M = M^{-T} [\mathbf{e}]_{\times}$ , where  $\mathbf{e}' = \mathbf{m}$  and  $\mathbf{e} = M^{-1} \mathbf{m}$ .
  - ◊ Cameras not at infinity  $P = K[I \mid 0]$ ,  $P' = K'[R \mid \mathbf{t}]$ ,  $F = K'^{-T} [\mathbf{t}]_{\times} R K^{-1} = [K' \mathbf{t}]_{\times} K' R K^{-1} = K'^{-T} R K^T [K R^T \mathbf{t}]_{\times}$ .



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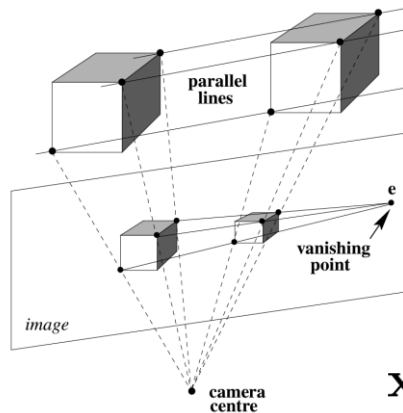


D. Wedge, *The Fundamental Matrix Song*





## Fundamental Matrix & Motion



- Under a pure translational camera motion, 3D points appear to slide along parallel rails. The images of these parallel lines intersect in a vanishing point corresponding to the translation direction. The epipole  $e$  is the vanishing point.



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## Finding correspondences

- Apply feature matching criterion (e.g., correlation or Lucas-Kanade) at all pixels simultaneously
- Search only over epipolar lines (many fewer candidate positions)



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## Matching criteria

- Raw pixel values (correlation)
- Band-pass filtered images [Jones & Malik 92]
- “Corner” like features [Zhang, ...]
- Edges [many people...]
- Gradients [Seitz 89; Scharstein 94]
- Rank statistics [Zabih & Woodfill 94]

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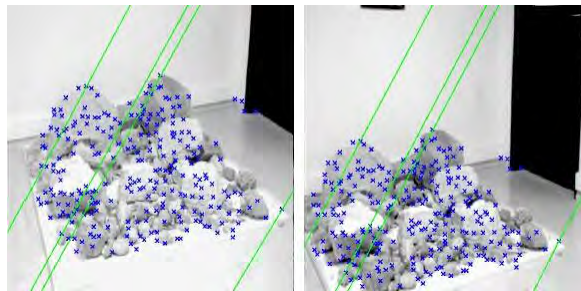


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## Feature-based stereo

- Match “corner” (interest) points



- Interpolate complete solution

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## SFM: Structure from Motion (& Cool Robotics Share (this week))



## Structure [from] Motion

- Given a set of feature tracks,  
estimate the 3D structure and 3D (camera) motion.
- Assumption: orthographic projection
- Tracks:  $(u_{fp}, v_{fp})$ , f: frame, p: point
- Subtract out **mean** 2D position...

$\mathbf{i}_f$ : rotation,  $\mathbf{s}_p$ : position

$$u_{fp} = \mathbf{i}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p, v_{fp} = \mathbf{j}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p$$

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## Structure from motion

- How many points do we need to match?
- 2 frames:
  - (R,t): 5 dof + 3n point locations  $\leq \quad \hat{u}_{ij} = f(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)$
  - 4n point measurements  $\Rightarrow \quad \hat{v}_{ij} = g(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)$
  - $n \geq 5$
- k frames:
  - $6(k-1) + 3n \leq 2kn$
- always want to use many more

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## Measurement equations

- Measurement equations
 
$$u_{fp} = \mathbf{i}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p \quad \mathbf{i}_f: \text{rotation}, \mathbf{s}_p: \text{position}$$

$$v_{fp} = \mathbf{j}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p$$

- Stack them up...

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{S}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{i}_1, \dots, \mathbf{i}_F, \mathbf{j}_1, \dots, \mathbf{j}_F)^T$$

$$\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_P)$$

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## Factorization

$$W = R_{2F \times 3} S_{3 \times P}$$

SVD

$$W = U \Lambda V \quad \Lambda \text{ must be rank 3}$$

$$W' = (U \Lambda^{1/2})(\Lambda^{1/2} V) = U' V'$$

Make  $R$  orthogonal

$$R = Q U', \quad S = Q^{-1} V'$$

$$i_f^T Q^T Q i_f = 1 \dots$$

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## Results

- Look at paper figures...

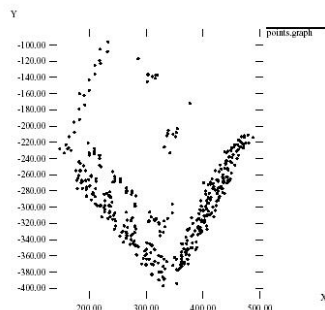


Figure 4.5: A view of the computed shape from approximately above the building (compare with figure 4.6).

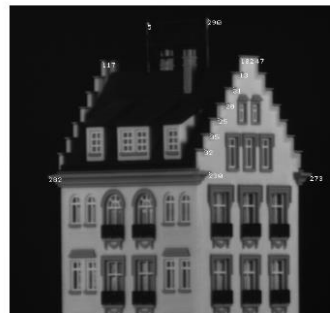


Figure 4.7: For a quantitative evaluation, distances between the features shown in the picture were measured on the actual model, and compared with the computed results. The comparison is shown in figure 4.8.

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## Bundle Adjustment

- What makes this non-linear minimization hard?
  - many more parameters: potentially slow
  - poorer conditioning (high correlation)
  - potentially lots of outliers
  - gauge (coordinate) freedom

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_{ij} &= f(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i) \\ \hat{v}_{ij} &= g(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)\end{aligned}$$

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## More Cool Robotics Share!



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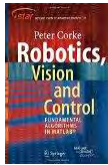
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1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& <i>Ekka Day</i> )
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Single View Geometry & Lines
8	14-Sep	Robot Sensing: Feature Detection
9	21-Sep	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
<b>10</b>	<b>5-Oct</b>	<b>Motion Planning</b>
11	12-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization & SLAM
12	19-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Planning & Control
13	26-Oct	State-Space Automation (Shaping the Dynamic Response/LQR) + Course Review



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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

[UQ Library eBook:](#)  
[364220144X](#)

Today

### → Planning & Control ←

- Planning (**Global** Motion)
  - pp. 91-103  
(Yup! That's all Peter Corke has to say! Yet there is a Chapter [15] on Visual Servoing, a **local** motion method that can't handle obstacles).

- SLAM
  - pp. 123-4  
(§6.4-6.5)

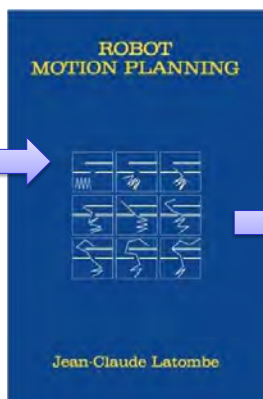
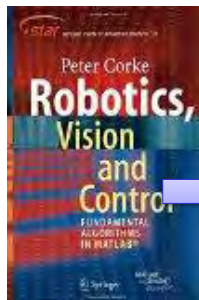
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## Motion Planning? Let's Get Moving?



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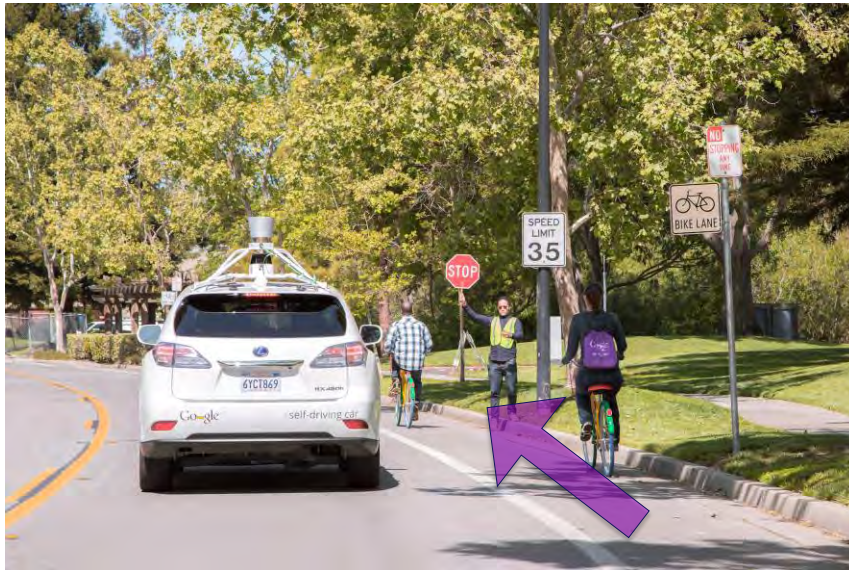
## Motion Planning? The clutter can not be “ignored”



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## Motion Planning: Processing the Limits



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## Path-Planning Approaches

- Roadmap  
Represent the connectivity of the free space by a network of 1-D curves
- Cell decomposition  
Decompose the free space into simple cells and represent the connectivity of the free space by the adjacency graph of these cells
- Potential field  
Define a function over the free space that has a global minimum at the goal configuration and follow its steepest descent

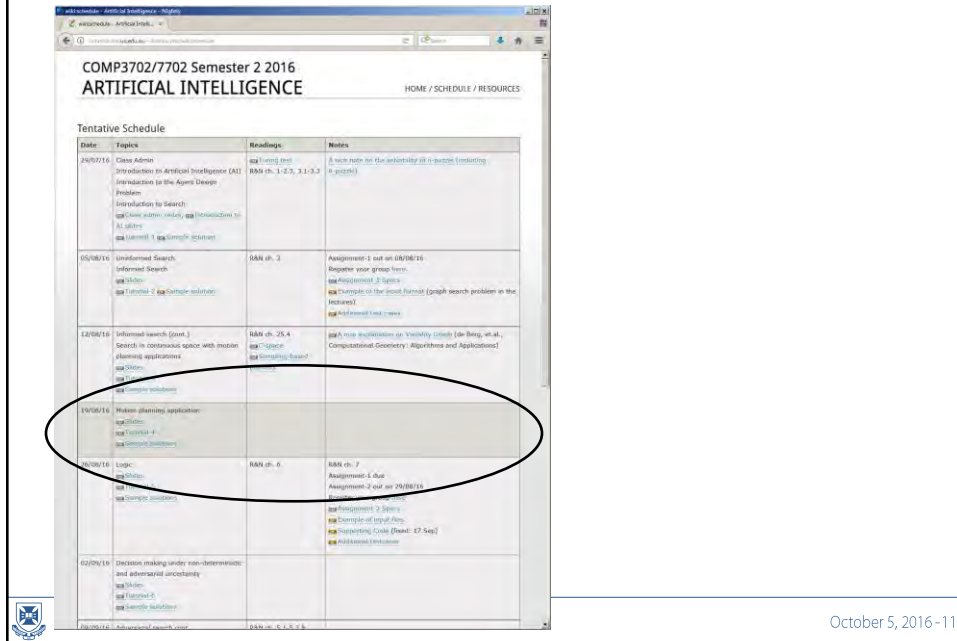
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See Also: <http://robotics.itee.uq.edu.au/~ai/>



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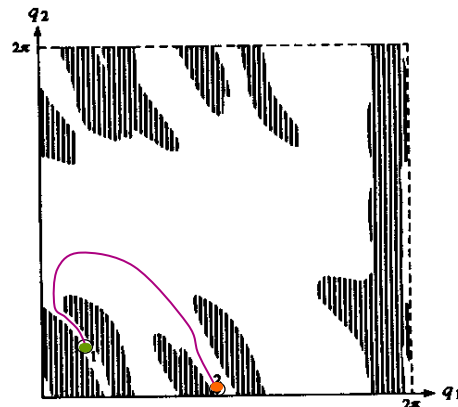
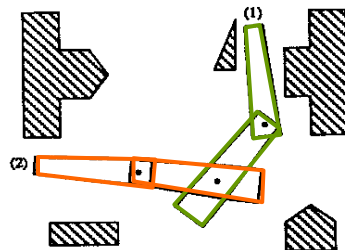
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29/07/16	Class Admin Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (AI) Introduction to the Agent Design Problem Introduction to Search	Russ ch. 1-2, 3, 3.1-3.3	A note on the probability of a search problem being solvable
05/08/16	Uninformed Search Informed Search	Russ ch. 3	Assignment 1 out on 08/08/16 Bastheer your group here Assignment 2 topics Example of the Traveling Salesman Problem (graph search problem in the lectures) Additional links/news
12/08/16	Informed search (cont.) Search in continuous space with motion planning applications	Russ ch. 25.4 "Robotics"	gpp, note on the use of Voronoi diagrams (for Batag, et al., Computational Geometry: Algorithms and Applications)
19/08/16	Motion planning application	Russ ch. 25.4 "Robotics"	
26/08/16	Logic	Russ ch. 6	Russ ch. 7 Assignment 1 due on 28/08/16 Assignment 2 due on 28/08/16 Assignment 3 topics Example of logical flow Computational Logic (Russ: 47-54) Additional links/news
02/09/16	Decision making under non-deterministic and adversarial uncertainty	Russ ch. 3 Russ ch. 4 Russ ch. 5	

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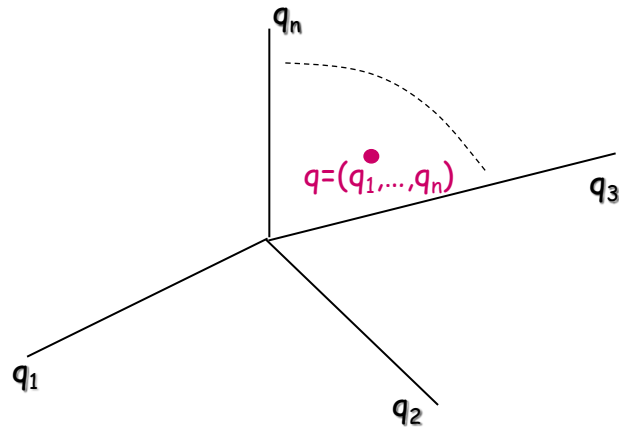
## External Configuration Is Important ... Configuration Space



- A robot configuration is a specification of the positions of all robot points relative to a fixed coordinate system
- Usually a configuration is expressed as a “vector” of position/orientation parameters

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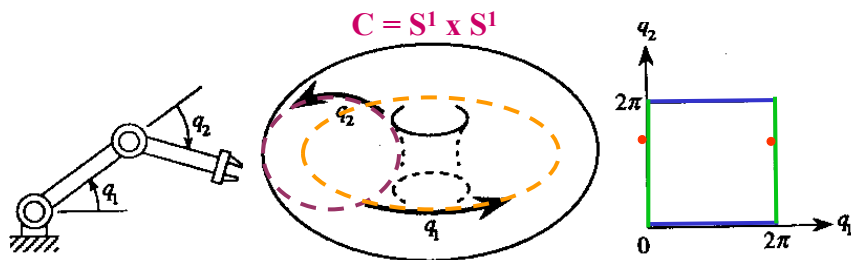
## Motion Planning in C-Space



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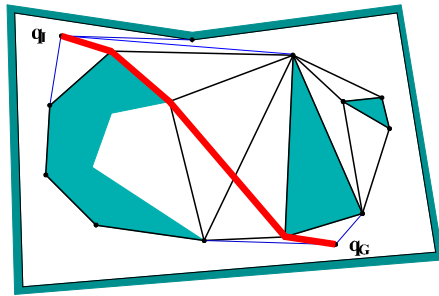
## Configuration Space of a Robot

- Space of all its possible configurations
- But the topology of this space is usually not that of a Cartesian space



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## Geometric Planning Methods



- Several Geometric Methods:
  - Vertical (Trapezoidal) Cell Decomposition
- **Roadmap Methods**
  - Cell (Triangular) Decomposition
  - Visibility Graphs
  - Veroni Graphs

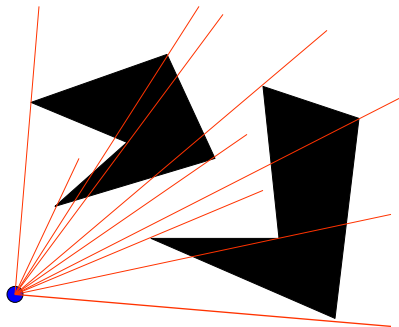
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## I. Rotational Sweep



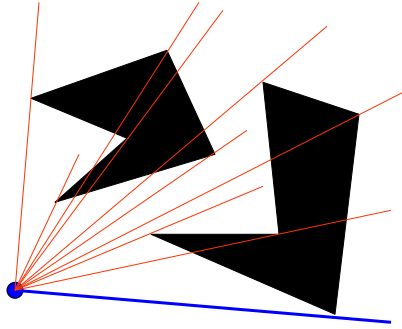
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## Rotational Sweep



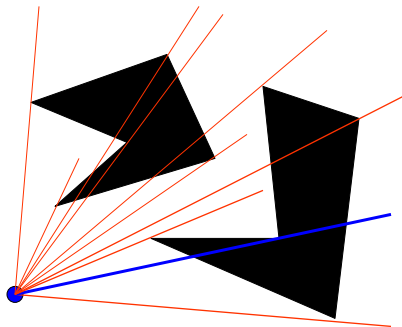
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## Rotational Sweep



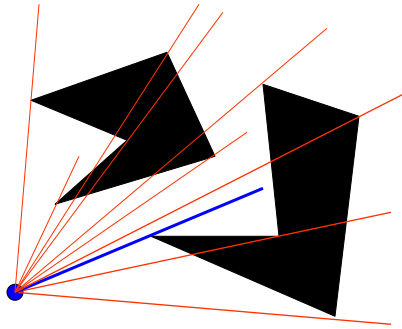
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## Rotational Sweep



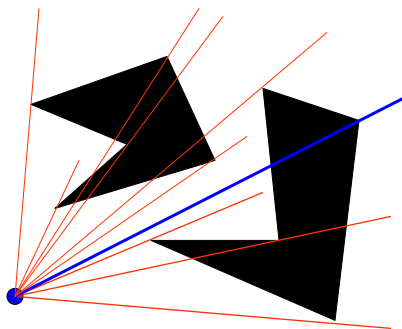
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## Rotational Sweep



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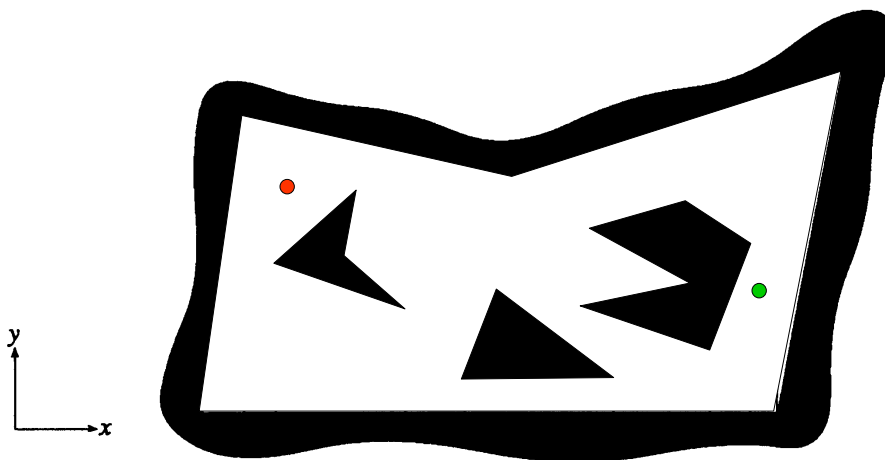
## II. Cell-Decomposition Methods

Two classes of methods:

- Exact cell decomposition
  - The free space  $\mathbf{F}$  is represented by a collection of non-overlapping cells whose union is exactly  $\mathbf{F}$
  - Example: trapezoidal decomposition
- Approximate cell decomposition
  - $\mathbf{F}$  is represented by a collection of non-overlapping cells whose union is contained in  $\mathbf{F}$
  - Examples: quadtree, octree, 2n-tree

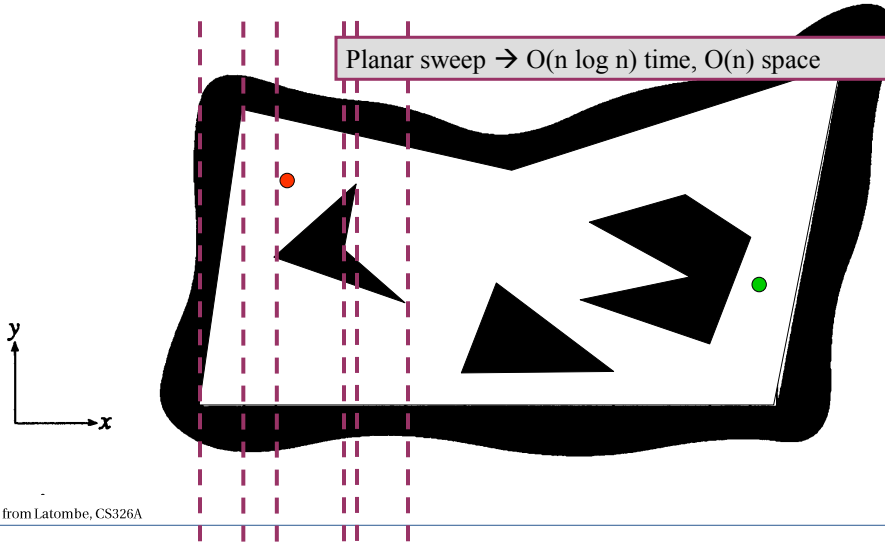


### Trapezoidal decomposition



## Trapezoidal decomposition

Planar sweep  $\rightarrow O(n \log n)$  time,  $O(n)$  space



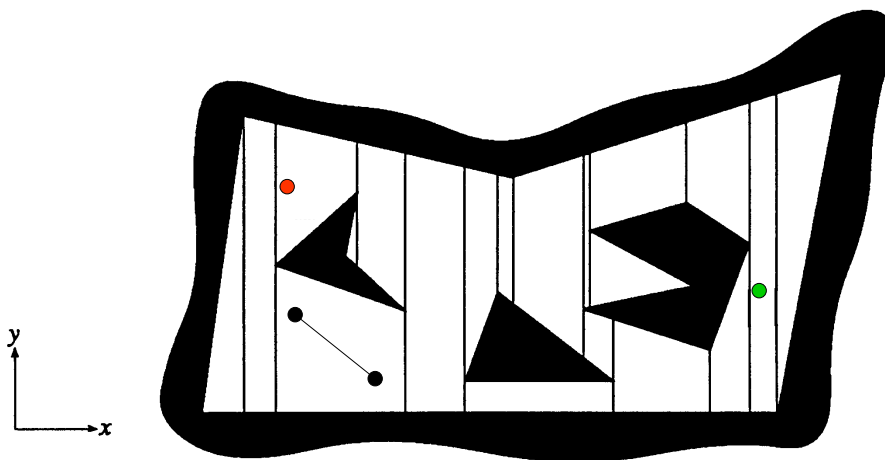
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## Trapezoidal decomposition



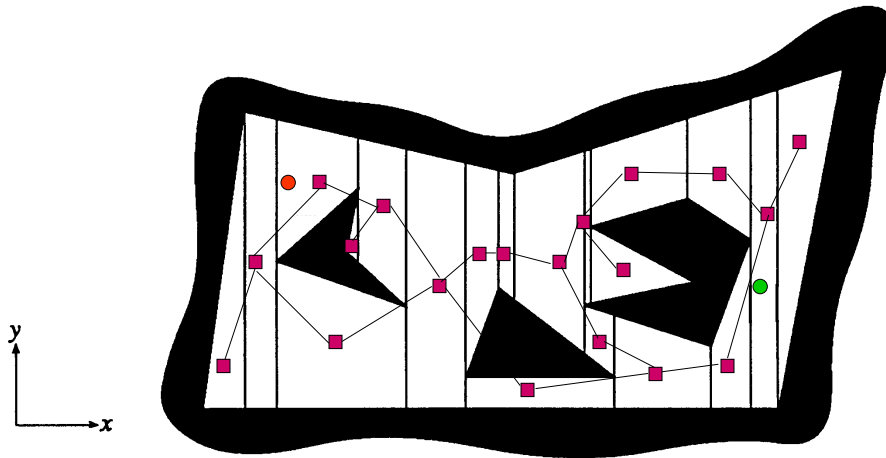
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## Trapezoidal decomposition



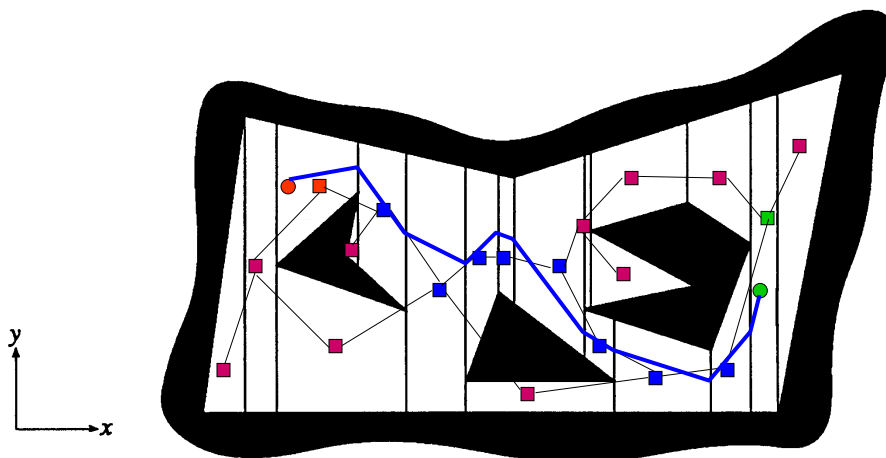
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## Trapezoidal decomposition



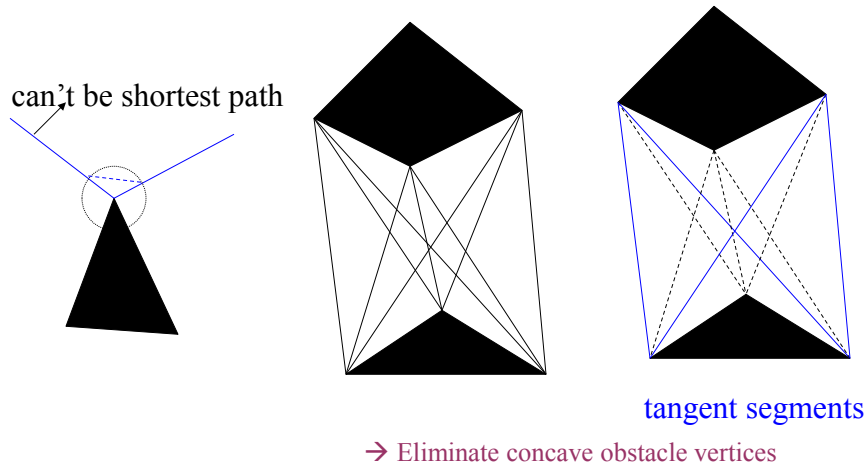
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## II. Visibility Graph



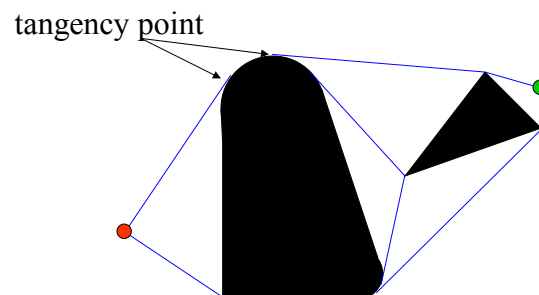
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## Generalized (Reduced) -- Visibility Graph



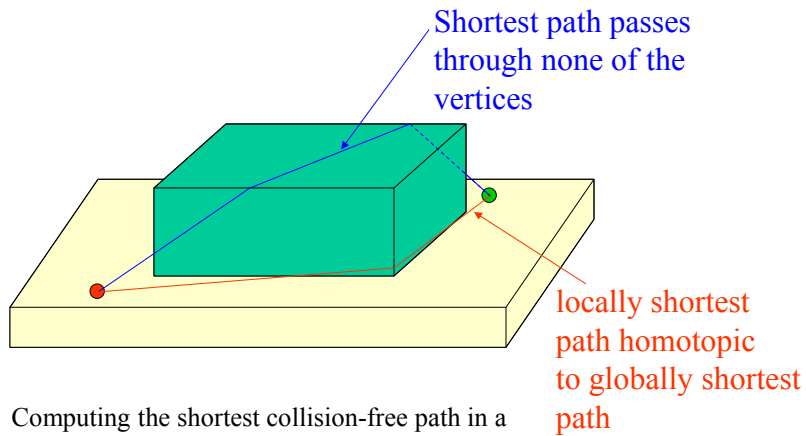
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## Three-Dimensional Space

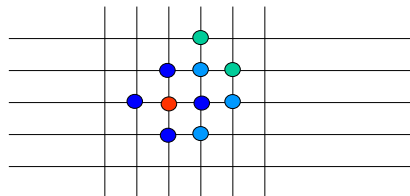


Computing the shortest collision-free path in a polyhedral space is NP-hard

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## Sketch of Grid Algorithm (with best-first search)

- Place regular grid  $G$  over space
- Search  $G$  using best-first search algorithm with potential as heuristic function



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## Simple Algorithm (for Visibility Graphs)

- Install all obstacles vertices in VG, plus the start and goal positions
- For every pair of nodes  $u, v$  in VG
  - If segment( $u, v$ ) is an obstacle edge then
    - insert ( $u, v$ ) into VG
  - else
    - for every obstacle edge  $e$ 
      - if segment( $u, v$ ) intersects  $e$ 
        - then go up to segment
    - insert ( $u, v$ ) into VG
- Search VG using A\*

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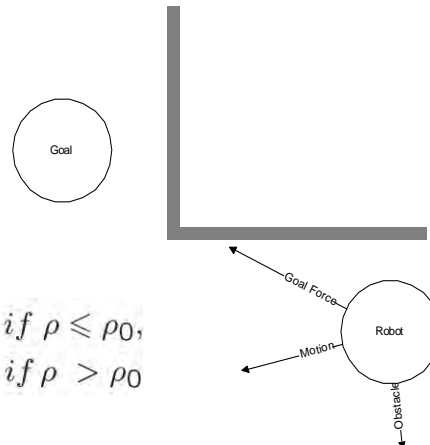
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## III. Potential Field Methods

- Approach initially proposed for real-time collision avoidance [Khatib, 86]

$$F_{Goal} = -k_p(x - x_{Goal})$$

$$F_{Obstacle} = \begin{cases} \eta \left( \frac{1}{\rho} - \frac{1}{\rho_0} \right) \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} & \text{if } \rho \leq \rho_0, \\ 0 & \text{if } \rho > \rho_0 \end{cases}$$



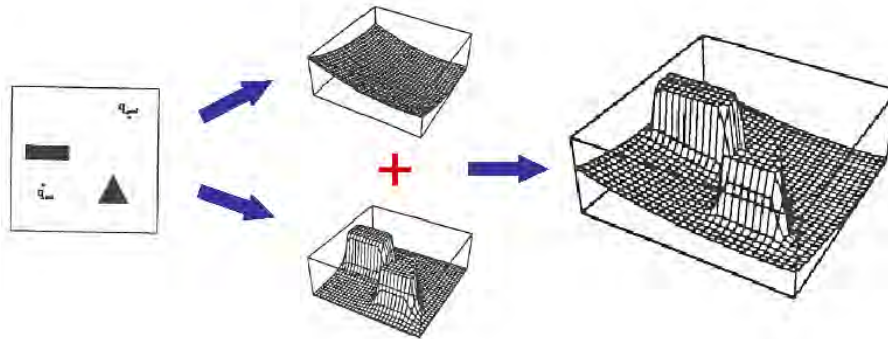
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## Attractive and Repulsive fields



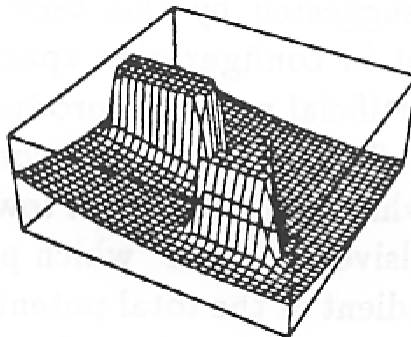
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## Local-Minimum Issue



- Perform best-first search (possibility of combining with approximate cell decomposition)
- Alternate descents and random walks
- Use local-minimum-free potential (**navigation function**)

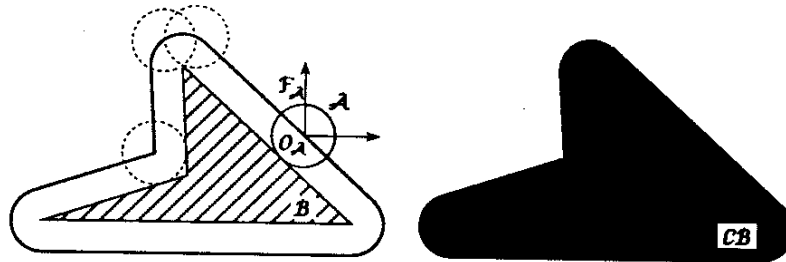
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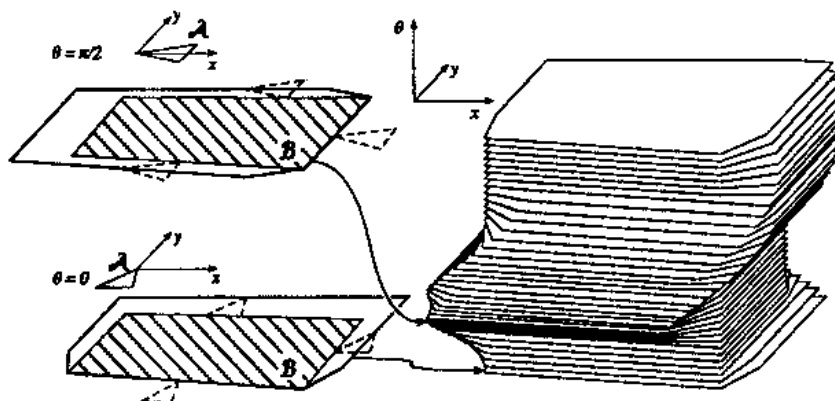
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## Disc Robot in 2-D Workspace



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## Rigid Robot Translating and Rotating in 2-D



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## IV. Roadmap Methods

- **Visibility graph**
- **Voronoi diagram**
- Silhouette  
First complete general method that applies to spaces of any dimension and is singly exponential in # of dimensions [Canny, 87]
- **Probabilistic roadmaps (PRMs)  
and Rapidly-exploring Randomized Trees (RRTs)**

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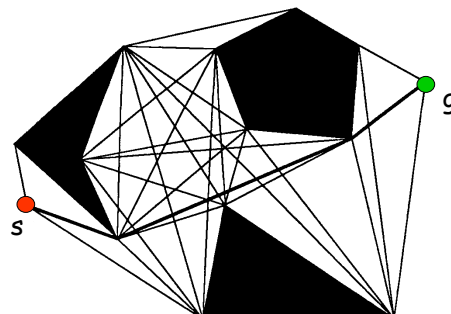


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## Roadmap Methods

- **Visibility graph**  
Introduced in the Shakey project at SRI in the late 60s.  
Can produce shortest paths in 2-D configuration spaces



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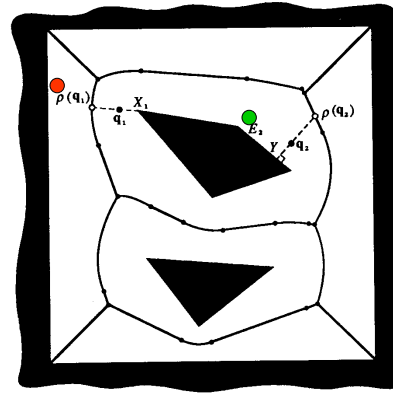
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## Roadmap Methods

- Voronoi diagram  
Introduced by  
Computational  
Geometry researchers.  
Generate paths that  
maximizes clearance.

$O(n \log n)$  time  
 $O(n)$  space



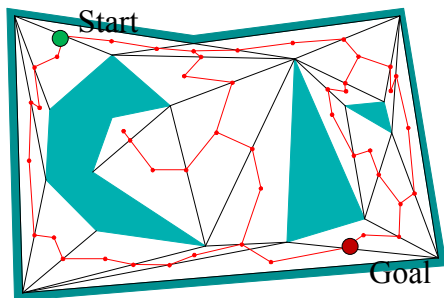
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## Limits of Geometric Planning Methods



- How does this scale to high degrees of freedom?
- What about “dynamic constraints”?
- What about optimality?
- How to tie this to learning and optimization

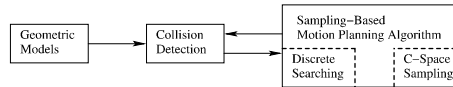
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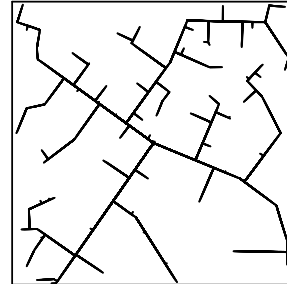
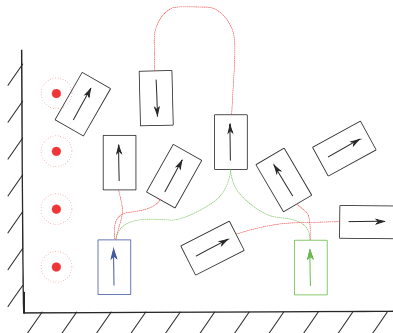
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## Sample-Based Motion Planning



- PRMs

- RRTs



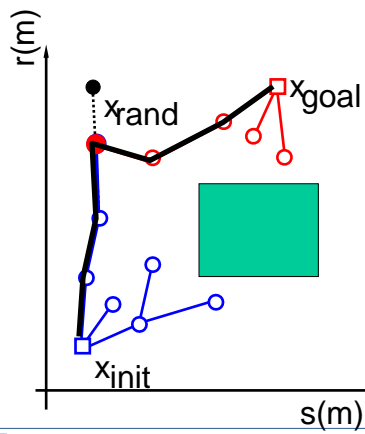
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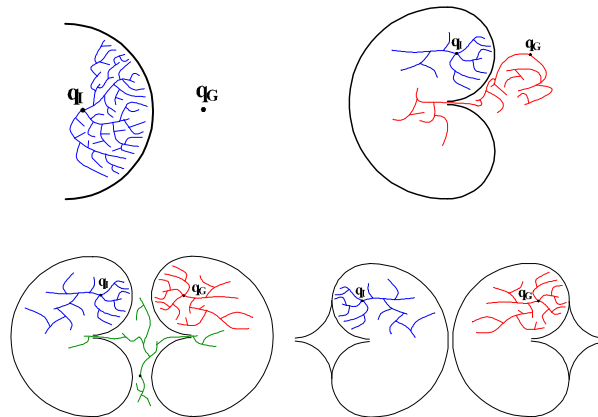
## Rapidly Exploring Random Trees (RRT)



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## Sampling and the “Bug Trap” Problem



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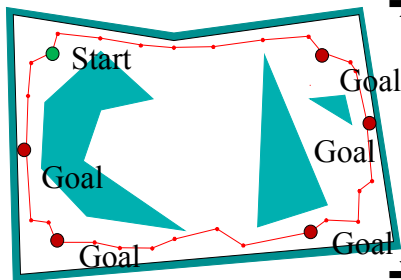


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## Multiple Points & Sequencing

- Sequencing
    - Determining the “best” order to go in
- ➔ Travelling Salesman Problem



A salesman has to visit each city on a given list exactly once.

In doing this, he **starts** from his home city and in the **end he has to return to his home city**. It is plausible for him to select the order in which he visits the cities so that the **total of the distances travelled** in his tour is as small as possible.

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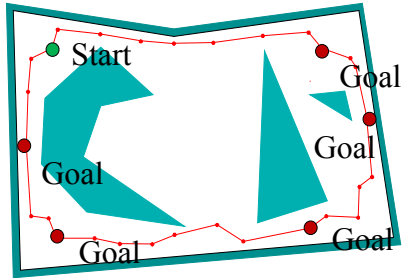
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# Travelling Salesman Problem

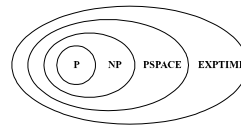


- Given a  $n \times n$  distance matrix  $\mathbf{C}=(c_{ij})$

- Minimize:

$$c(\pi) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_{i\pi(i)}$$

- Note that this problem is NP-Hard



→ BUT, Special Cases are Well-Solvable!

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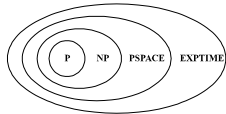


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# Travelling Salesman Problem [2]

- This problem is NP-Hard



→ BUT,  
Special Cases are  
Well-Solvable!

## For the Euclidean case

(where the points are on the 2D Euclidean plane) :

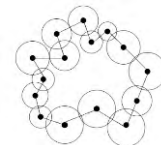
- The shortest TSP tour does not intersect itself, and thus geometry makes the problem somewhat easier.
- If all cities lie on the boundary of a convex polygon, the optimal tour is a cyclic walk along the boundary of the polygon (in clockwise or counterclockwise direction).

## The $k$ -line TSP

- The a special case where the cities lie on  $k$  parallel (or almost parallel) lines in the Euclidean plane.
- EG: Fabrication of printed circuit boards
- Solvable in  $\mathbf{O}(n^3)$  time by Dynamic Programming (Rote's algorithm)

## The necklace TSP

- The special Euclidean TSP case where there exist  $n$  circles around the  $n$  cities such that every cycle intersects exactly two adjacent circles



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## Cool Robotics Share

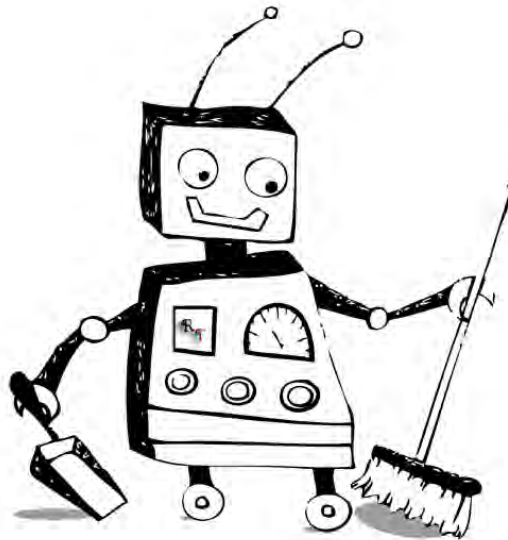
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U. Chicago, Cornell, iRobot  
May 2010



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# Probabilistic Robotics: Localization & SLAM

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## Schedule of Events

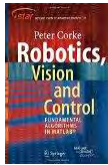
Week	Date	Lecture (W: 12:05-1:50, 50-N202)
1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& <i>Ekka Day</i> )
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Single View Geometry & Lines
8	14-Sep	Robot Sensing: Feature Detection
9	21-Sep	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
<b>11</b>	<b>12-Oct</b>	<b>Probabilistic Robotics: Localization &amp; SLAM</b>
12	19-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Planning & Control
13	26-Oct	State-Space Automation (Shaping the Dynamic Response/LQR) + Course Review



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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

[UQ Library eBook:](#)  
[364220144X](#)

Today

→ **SLAM** ←

- SLAM
  - pp. 123-4  
(§6.4-6.5)

- Planning & Control
  - pp. ??

Next Time



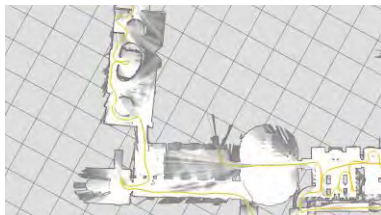
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## Cool Robotics Share (It's Back!)

### [Cartographer](#)

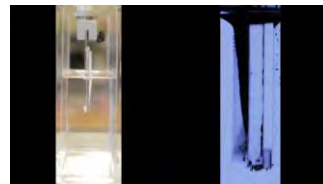
- Google Open Source SLAM



<https://opensource.googleblog.com/2016/10/introducing-cartographer.html>

### Compliant Materials/Robotics

- Vision in ME Research



<http://news.mit.edu/2016/beaver-inspired-wetsuits-surfers-1005>



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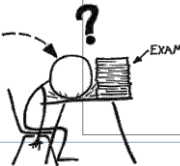


# Final Exam!

- 4 Questions | 60 Minutes
- **Open Book**
- Similar in nature to the [2015 Quiz](#)

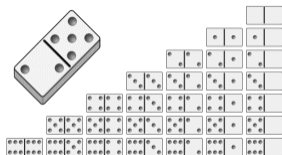
Topics:

- Position, orientation and location in space
- Robot analysis (forward/inverse kinematics, recursive Newton-Euler formulations, etc.)
- Sensing geometry (including camera calibration)
- Multiple-view geometry
- Motion planning and control

[illegible]

## Lab 3!: Sort | Play Domino

- Option 1: Sort Dominos
- Option 2: Play Dominos



Source: <https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/0/04/Dominoes.jpg>

## Lab 3: Extension! [“Lab-ey McLabFace”]

- **Robot Grading:**  
November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>

- **Report:**  
November 17

- **Open-House/Demo Day:**  
November 21

Lab 3 Due Date Extension Survey:

Friday 4th November

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3 Days / Weekend (Monday, October 31)

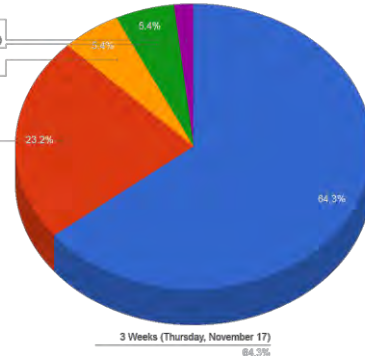
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1 Week (Thursday, November 3)

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## SFM: Structure from Motion (& Cool Robotics Share (this week))



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## Structure [from] Motion

- Given a set of feature tracks,  
estimate the 3D structure and 3D (camera) motion.
- Assumption: orthographic projection
- Tracks:  $(u_{fp}, v_{fp})$ , f: frame, p: point
- Subtract out **mean** 2D position...

$\mathbf{i}_f$ : rotation,  $\mathbf{s}_p$ : position

$$u_{fp} = i_f^T s_p, v_{fp} = j_f^T s_p$$

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## Structure from motion

- How many points do we need to match?
- 2 frames:
  - $(R, t)$ : 5 dof + 3n point locations  $\leq \quad \hat{u}_{ij} = f(K, R_j, t_j, x_i)$
  - 4n point measurements  $\Rightarrow \quad \hat{v}_{ij} = g(K, R_j, t_j, x_i)$
  - $n \geq 5$
- k frames:
  - $6(k-1) - 1 + 3n \leq 2kn$
- always want to use many more

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## Measurement equations

- Measurement equations

$$u_{fp} = \mathbf{i}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p \quad \mathbf{i}_f: \text{rotation}, \mathbf{s}_p: \text{position}$$
$$v_{fp} = \mathbf{j}_f^T \mathbf{s}_p$$

- Stack them up...

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{S}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{i}_1, \dots, \mathbf{i}_F, \mathbf{j}_1, \dots, \mathbf{j}_F)^T$$

$$\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_P)$$

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## Factorization

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{R}_{2F \times 3} \mathbf{S}_{3 \times P}$$

SVD

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{V} \quad \mathbf{\Lambda} \text{ must be rank 3}$$

$$\mathbf{W}' = (\mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda}^{1/2})(\mathbf{\Lambda}^{1/2} \mathbf{V}) = \mathbf{U}' \mathbf{V}'$$

Make  $\mathbf{R}$  orthogonal

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{U}', \quad \mathbf{S} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \mathbf{V}'$$

$$\mathbf{i}_f^T \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{i}_f = 1 \dots$$

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## Results

- Look at paper figures...

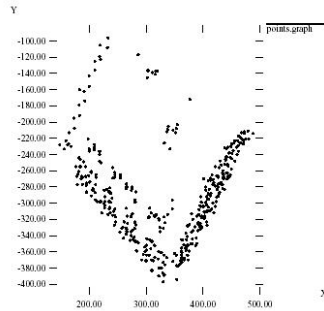


Figure 4.5: A view of the computed shape from approximately above the building (compare with figure 4.6).

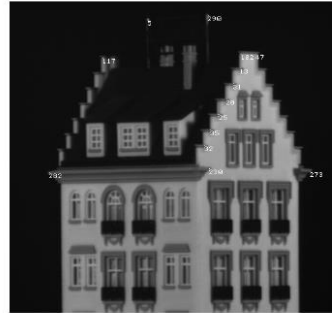


Figure 4.7: For a quantitative evaluation, distances between the features shown in the picture were measured on the actual model, and compared with the computed results. The comparison is shown in figure 4.8.

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## Bundle Adjustment

- What makes this non-linear minimization hard?
  - many more parameters: potentially slow
  - poorer conditioning (high correlation)
  - potentially lots of outliers
  - gauge (coordinate) freedom

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_{ij} &= f(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i) \\ \hat{v}_{ij} &= g(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{R}_j, \mathbf{t}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)\end{aligned}$$

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## More Cool Robotics Share!



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SLAM!  
(Better than SMAL! ☺)

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## What is SLAM?

- SLAM asks the following question:

Is it possible for an autonomous vehicle to start at an unknown location in an unknown environment and then to incrementally build a map of this environment while simultaneously using this map to compute vehicle location?

- SLAM has many indoor, outdoor, in-air and underwater applications for both manned and autonomous vehicles.
- Examples
  - Explore and return to starting point (Newman)
  - Learn trained paths to different goal locations
  - Traverse a region with complete coverage (eg, mine fields, lawns, reef monitoring)
  - ...

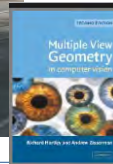
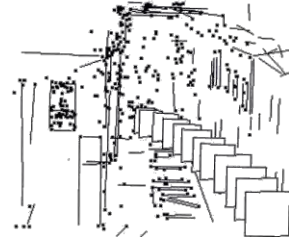


## Components of SLAM

- Localisation
  - Determine pose given a priori map
- Mapping
  - Generate map when pose is accurately known from auxiliary source.
- SLAM
  - Define some arbitrary coordinate origin
  - Generate a map from on-board sensors
  - Compute pose from this map
  - Errors in map and in pose estimate are dependent.



## SLAM: 30+ Year History!



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Source: Leonard (MIT) Hartley and Zisserman, Cambridge University Press, p. 437, October 14, 2016-22

## Jenkin Building Basement, Circa 1989



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## Basic SLAM Operation



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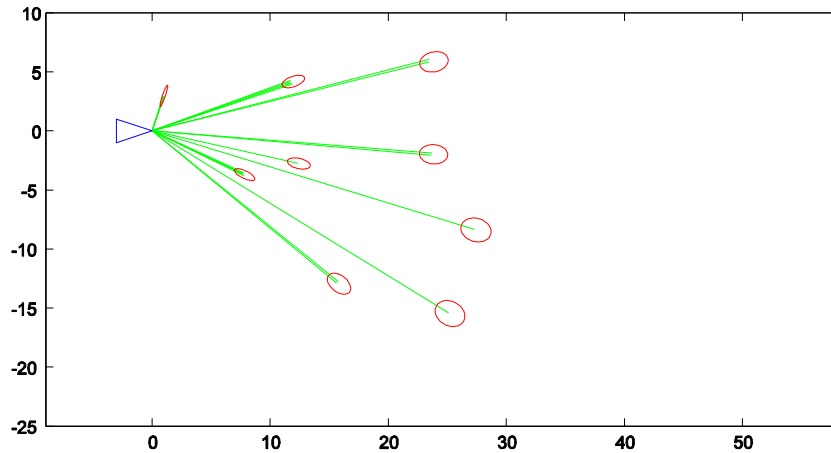
## Example: SLAM in Victoria Park



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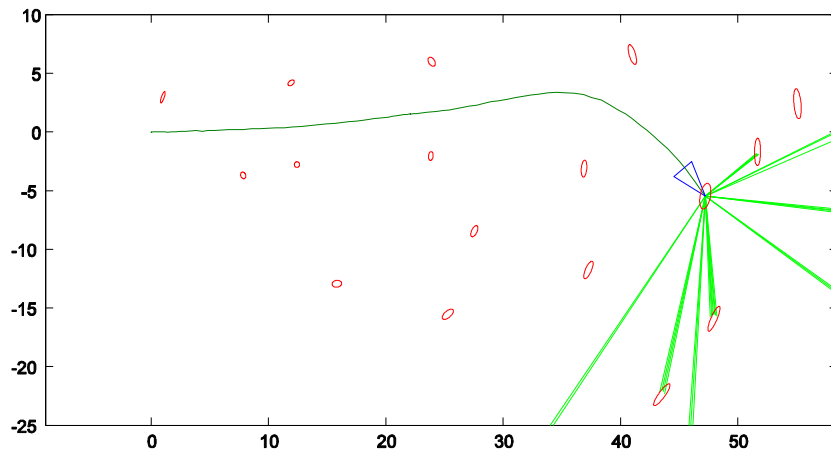
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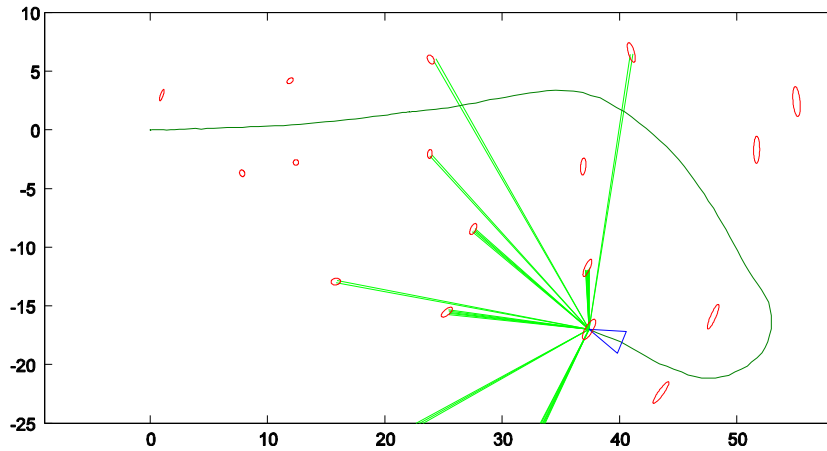
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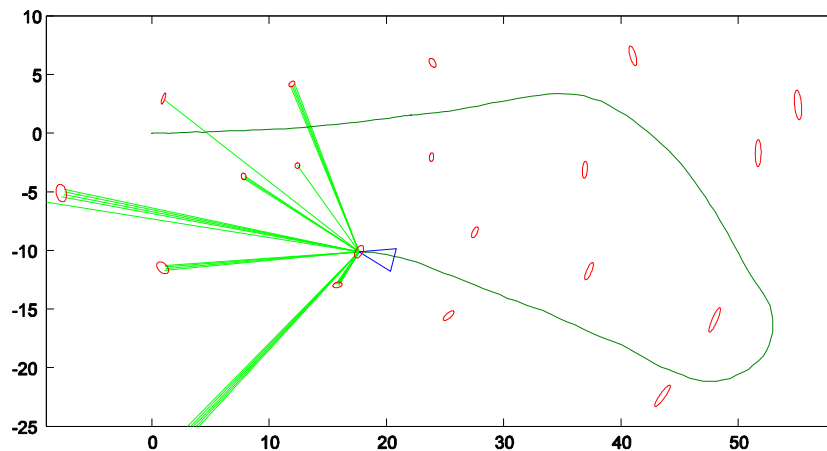
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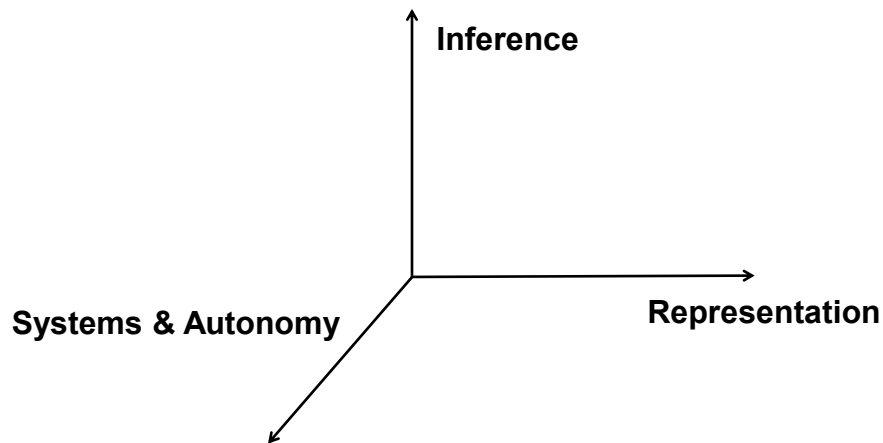
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## Why is SLAM Difficult?



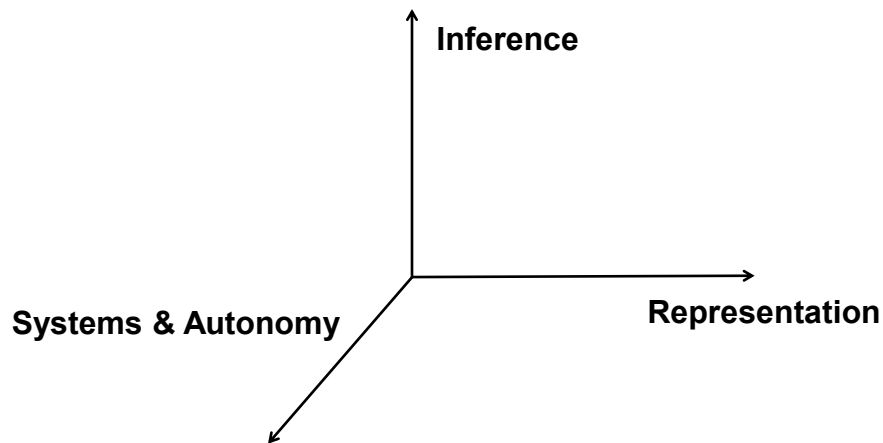
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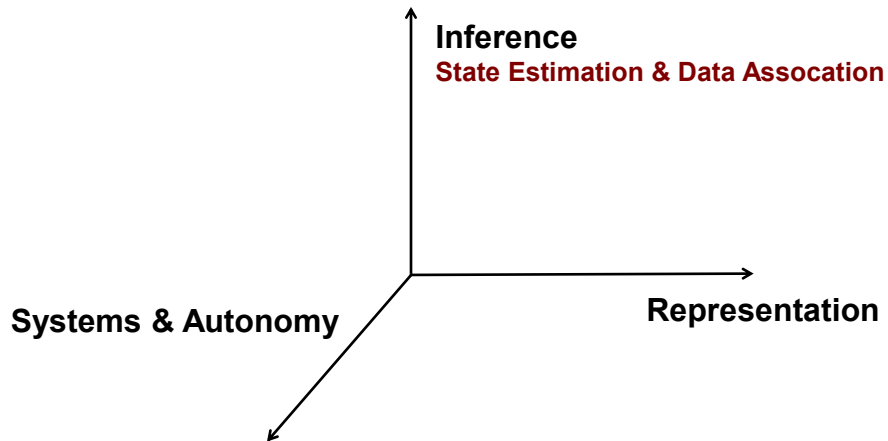
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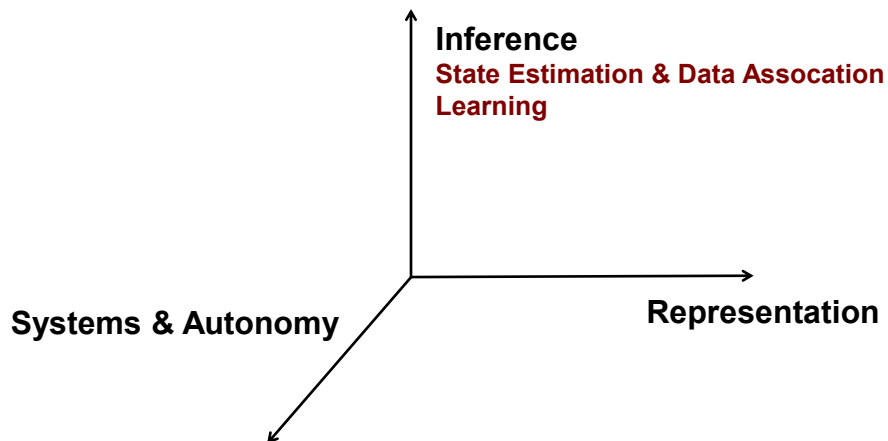
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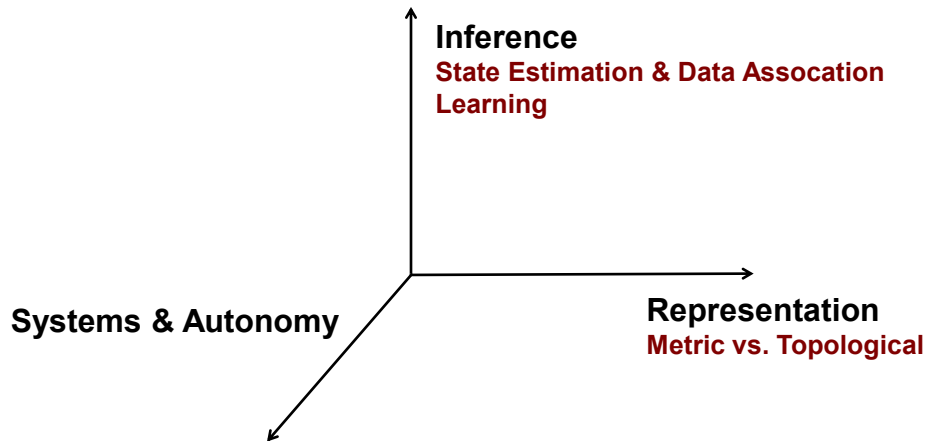
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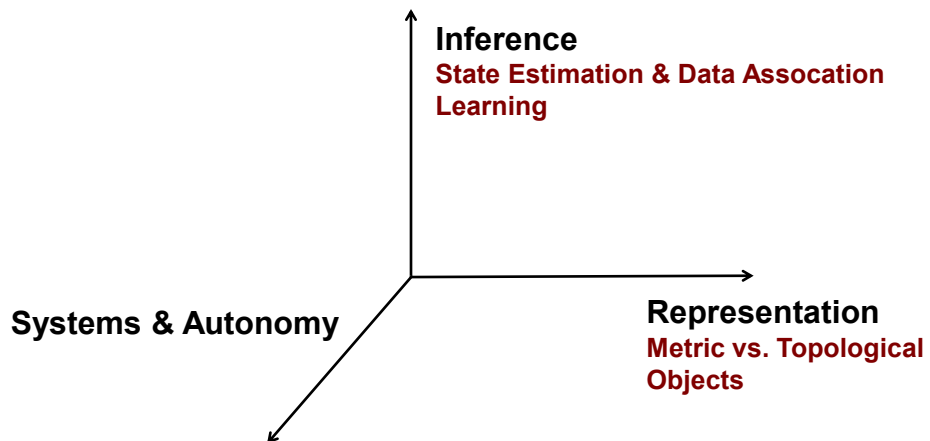
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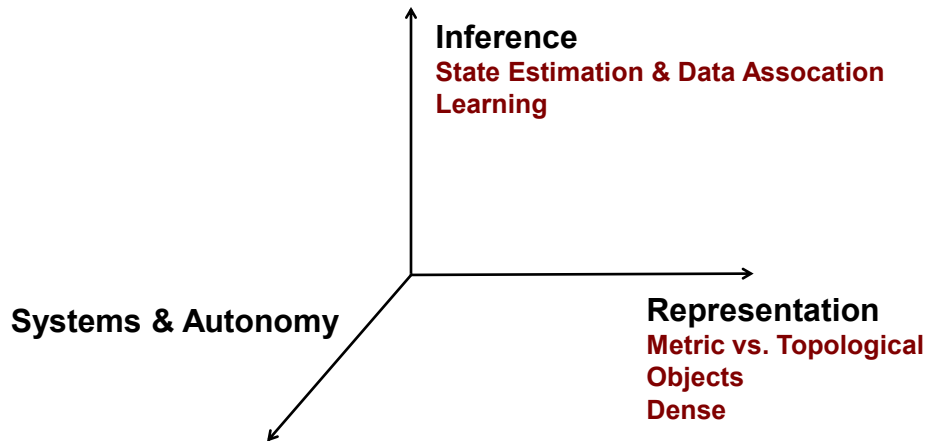
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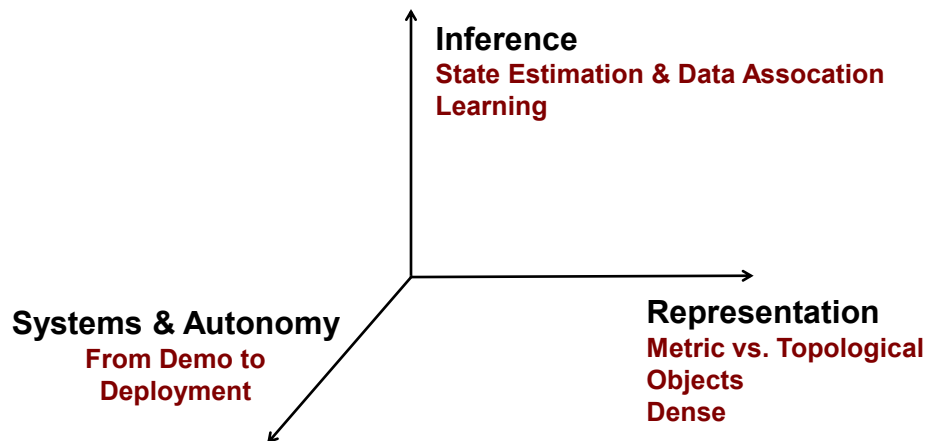
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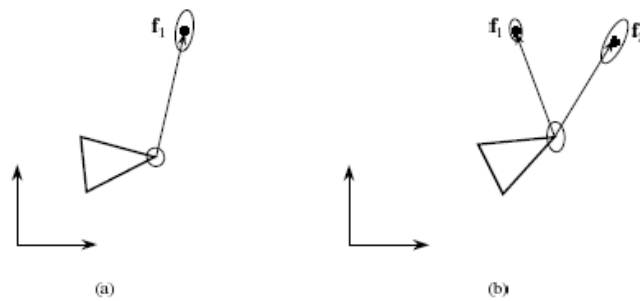
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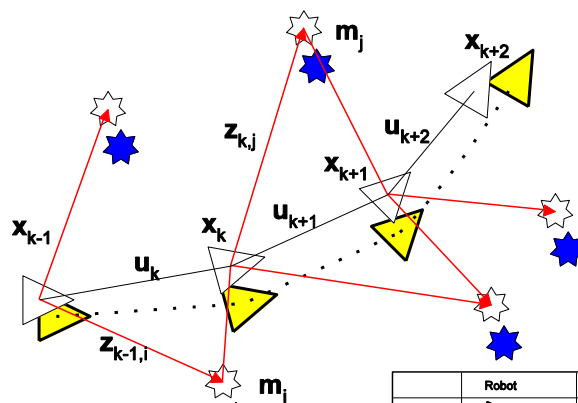
## Dependent Errors



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## Correlated Estimates



	Robot	Landmark
Estimated		
True		



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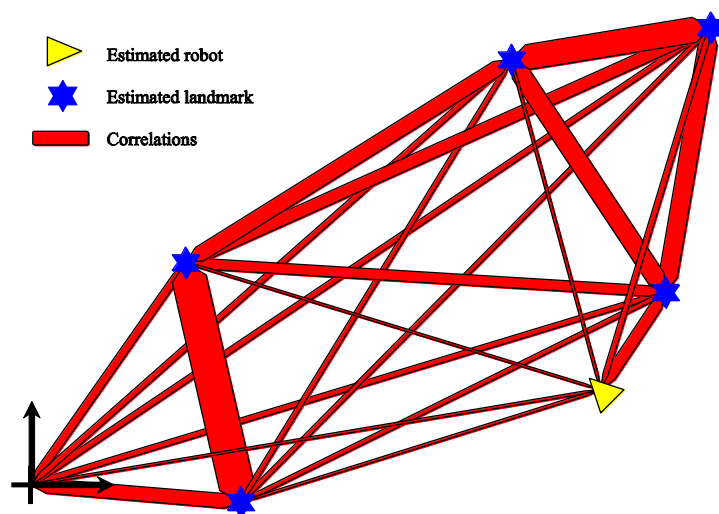


## SLAM Convergence

- An observation acts like a displacement to a spring system
  - Effect is greatest in a close neighbourhood
  - Effect on other landmarks diminishes with distance
  - Propagation depends on local stiffness (correlation) properties
- With each new observation the springs become increasingly (and monotonically) stiffer.
- In the limit, a rigid map of landmarks is obtained.
  - A perfect *relative* map of the environment
- The location accuracy of the robot is bounded by
  - The current quality of the map
  - The relative sensor measurement

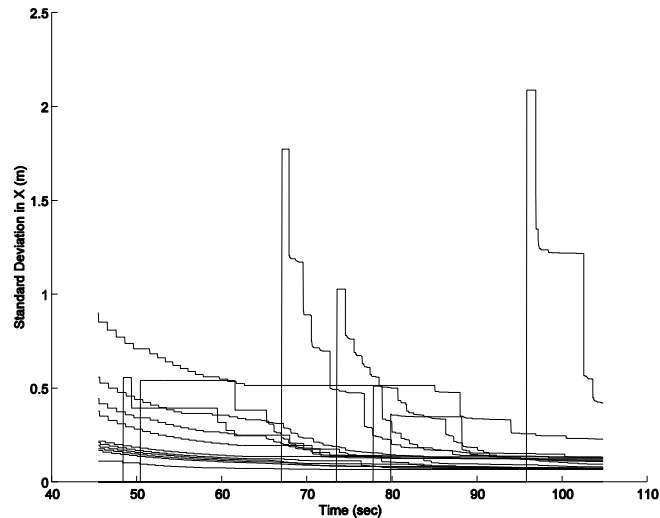


## Spring Analogy



## Monotonic Convergence

- With each new observation, the determinant decreases over the map and for any submatrix in the map.

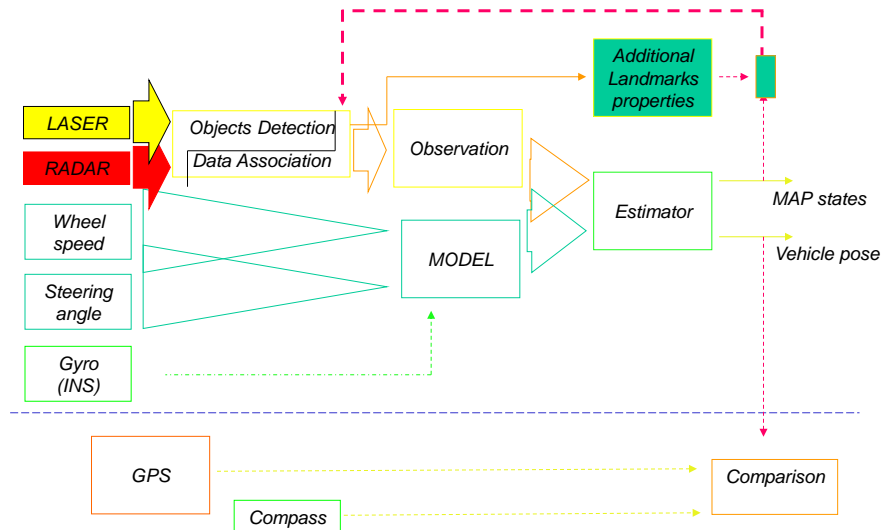


## Models

- Models are central to creating a representation of the world.
- Must have a mapping between sensed data (eg, laser, cameras, odometry) and the states of interest (eg, vehicle pose, stationary landmarks)
- Two essential model types:
  - Vehicle motion
  - Sensing of external objects



## An Example System



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## States, Controls, Observations

Joint state with  
momentary pose

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{v_k} \\ \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{m}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

Joint state with  
pose history

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{v_k} \\ \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{v_0} \\ \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{m}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

**Control inputs:**  $\mathbf{U}_{0:k} = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\} = \{\mathbf{U}_{0:k-1}, \mathbf{u}_k\}$

**Observations:**  $\mathbf{Z}_{0:k} = \{\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \dots, \mathbf{z}_k\} = \{\mathbf{Z}_{0:k-1}, \mathbf{z}_k\}$

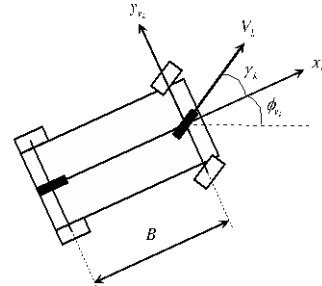


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## Vehicle Motion Model

- Ackerman steered vehicles: Bicycle model



- Discrete time model:



$$\mathbf{x}_{v_k} = \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k) = \begin{bmatrix} x_{v_{k-1}} + V_k \Delta T \cos(\phi_{v_{k-1}} + \gamma_k) \\ y_{v_{k-1}} + V_k \Delta T \sin(\phi_{v_{k-1}} + \gamma_k) \\ \phi_{v_{k-1}} + \frac{V_k \Delta T}{B} \sin(\gamma_k) \end{bmatrix}$$



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## SLAM Motion Model

$$\mathbf{x}_{v_k} = \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k) = \begin{bmatrix} x_{v_{k-1}} + V_k \Delta T \cos(\phi_{v_{k-1}} + \gamma_k) \\ y_{v_{k-1}} + V_k \Delta T \sin(\phi_{v_{k-1}} + \gamma_k) \\ \phi_{v_{k-1}} + \frac{V_k \Delta T}{B} \sin(\gamma_k) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Joint state: Landmarks are assumed stationary

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k) \\ \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{m}_N \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k) \\ \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{v_0} \\ \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{m}_N \end{bmatrix}$$



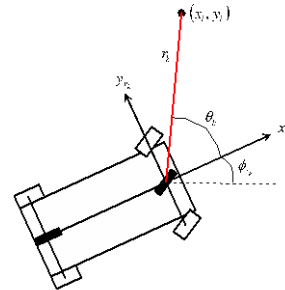
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## Observation Model

- Range-bearing measurement

$$\mathbf{z}_{i_k} = \mathbf{h}_i(\mathbf{x}_k) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{(x_i - x_{v_k})^2 + (y_i - y_{v_k})^2} \\ \arctan \frac{y_i - y_{v_k}}{x_i - x_{v_k}} - \phi_{v_k} \end{bmatrix}$$



## Applying Bayes to SLAM: Available Information

- States  $\mathbf{X}_k$  (Hidden or inferred values)
  - Vehicle poses
  - Map; typically composed of discrete parts called landmarks or features
- Controls  $\mathbf{U}_{0:k}$ 
  - Velocity
  - Steering angle
- Observations  $\mathbf{Z}_{\{i\},k}$ 
  - Range-bearing measurements



## Augmentation: Adding new poses and landmarks

- Add new pose

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k) \\ \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{v_0} \\ \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{m}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

- Conditional probability is a Markov Model

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}) &= \int p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{u}_k) p(\mathbf{u}_k) d\mathbf{u}_k \\ &= \int \delta(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} - \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k)) p(\mathbf{u}_k) d\mathbf{u}_k \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} | \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}) \end{aligned}$$



## Augmentation

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}) &= \int p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{u}_k) p(\mathbf{u}_k) d\mathbf{u}_k \\ &= \int \delta(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} - \mathbf{f}_v(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{u}_k)) p(\mathbf{u}_k) d\mathbf{u}_k \\ &= p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} | \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}) \end{aligned}$$

- Product rule to create joint PDF  $p(\mathbf{x}_k)$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k}, \mathbf{x}_{k-1}) = p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k} | \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}) p(\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{v_0}, \mathbf{m}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_N)$$

- Same method applies to adding new landmark states



## Marginalisation:

### Removing past poses and obsolete landmarks

- Augmenting with new pose and marginalising the old pose gives the classical SLAM prediction step

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k}, \mathbf{m}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_N) = \int p(\mathbf{x}_{v_k}, \mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}, \mathbf{m}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_N) d\mathbf{x}_{v_{k-1}}$$



## Fusion: Incorporating observation information

- Conditional PDF according to observation model

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{z}_{i_k} | \mathbf{x}_k) &= \int p(\mathbf{z}_{i_k} | \mathbf{x}_{v_k}, \mathbf{m}_i, \mathbf{r}_k) p(\mathbf{r}_k) d\mathbf{r}_k \\ &= \int \delta(\mathbf{z}_{i_k} - \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_{v_k}, \mathbf{m}_i, \mathbf{r}_k)) p(\mathbf{r}_k) d\mathbf{r}_k \end{aligned}$$

- Bayes update:  
proportional to product of likelihood and prior

$$p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{Z}_{0:k}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{z}_{i_k} = \mathbf{z}_0 | \mathbf{x}_k) p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{Z}_{0:k-1})}{p(\mathbf{z}_{i_k} = \mathbf{z}_0)}$$



## Implementing Probabilistic SLAM

- The problem is that Bayesian operations are intractable in general.
  - General equations are good for analytical derivations, not good for implementation
- We need approximations
  - Linearised Gaussian systems (EKF, UKF, EIF, SAM)
  - Monte Carlo sampling methods (Rao-Blackwellised particle filters)



## EKF SLAM

- The complicated Bayesian equations for augmentation, marginalisation, and fusion have simple and efficient closed form solutions for linear Gaussian systems
- For non-linear systems, just linearise
  - EKF, EIF: Jacobians
  - UKF: use deterministic samples





## Kalman Implementation

- So can we just plug the process and observation models into the standard EKF equations and turn the crank?
- Several additional issues:
  - Structure of the SLAM problem permits more efficient implementation than naïve EKF.
  - Data association.
  - Feature initialisation.



## Structure of SLAM

- Key property of stochastic SLAM
  - Largely a *parameter* estimation problem
- Since the map is stationary
  - No process model, no process noise
- For Gaussian SLAM
  - Uncertainty in each landmark reduces monotonically after landmark initialisation
  - Map converges
- Examine computational consequences of this structure in next session.



## Data Association

- Before the Update Stage we need to determine if the feature we are observing is:
  - An old feature
  - A new feature
- If there is a match with only one known feature, the Update stage is run with this feature information.

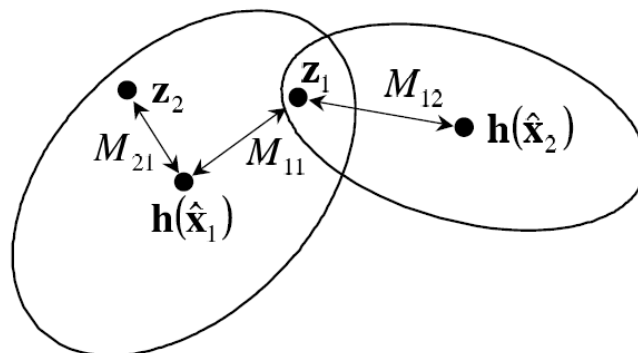
$$\mu(k) = z(k) - h(\hat{x}(k/k-1))$$

$$S(k) = \nabla h_x(k) P(k/k-1) \nabla h_x^T(k) + R$$

$$\alpha = \mu^T(k) S^{-1}(k) \mu(k) < \chi_{0.95}^2$$



## Validation Gating



## New Features

- If there is no match then a potential new feature has been detected
- We do not want to incorporate a spurious observation as a new feature
  - It will not be observed again and will consume computational time and memory
  - It will add clutter, increasing risk of future mis-associations
  - The features are assumed to be static. We don't want to accept dynamic objects as features: cars, people etc.



## Acceptance of New Features

- **APPROACH 1**

- Get the feature in a list of potential features
- Incorporate the feature once it has been observed for a number of times
- Advantages:
  - Simple to implement
  - Appropriate for High Frequency external sensor
- Disadvantages:
  - Loss of information
  - Potentially a problem with sensor with small field of view: a feature may only be seen very few times



## Acceptance of New Features

### • APPROACH 2

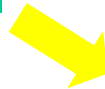
- The state vector is extended with past vehicle positions and the estimation of the cross-correlation between current and previous vehicle states is maintained. With this approach improved data association is possible by combining data from various points
  - J. J. Leonard and R. J. Rikoski. *Incorporation of delayed decision making into stochastic mapping*
  - Stephan Williams, PhD Thesis, 2001, University of Sydney
- Advantages:
  - No Loss of Information
  - Well suited to low frequency external sensors ( ratio between vehicle velocity and feature rate information )
  - Absolutely necessary for some sensor modalities (eg, range-only, bearing-only)
- Disadvantages:
  - Cost of augmenting state with past poses
  - The implementation is more complicated



## Incorporation of New Features

- We have the vehicle states and previous map

$$P_0 = \begin{bmatrix} P_{v,v}^0 & P_{v,m}^0 \\ P_{m,v}^0 & P_{m,m}^0 \end{bmatrix}$$



**We observed a new feature and the covariance and cross-covariance terms need to be evaluated**

$$P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} P_{v,v}^0 & P_{v,m}^0 & ? \\ P_{m,v}^0 & P_{m,m}^0 & ? \\ ? & ? & ? \end{bmatrix}$$



## Incorporation of New Features

- Approach 1

$$P_0 = \begin{bmatrix} P_{vv}^0 & P_{vm}^0 & 0 \\ P_{mv}^0 & P_{mm}^0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{With } A \text{ very large}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W(k) &= P(k/k-1) \nabla h_x^T(k) S^{-1}(k) \\ S(k) &= \nabla h_x(k) P(k/k-1) \nabla h_x^T(k) + R \\ P(k/k) &= P(k/k-1) - W(k) S(k) W^T(k) \end{aligned}$$

- Easy to understand and implement
- Very large values of  $A$  may introduce numerical problems



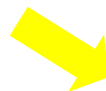
$$P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} P_{vv}^1 & P_{vm}^1 & P_{vn}^1 \\ P_{mv}^1 & P_{mm}^1 & P_{mn}^1 \\ P_{nv}^1 & P_{nm}^1 & P_{nn}^1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Analytical Approach

$$P_0 = \begin{bmatrix} P_{v,v}^0 & P_{v,m}^0 \\ P_{m,v}^0 & P_{m,m}^0 \end{bmatrix}$$

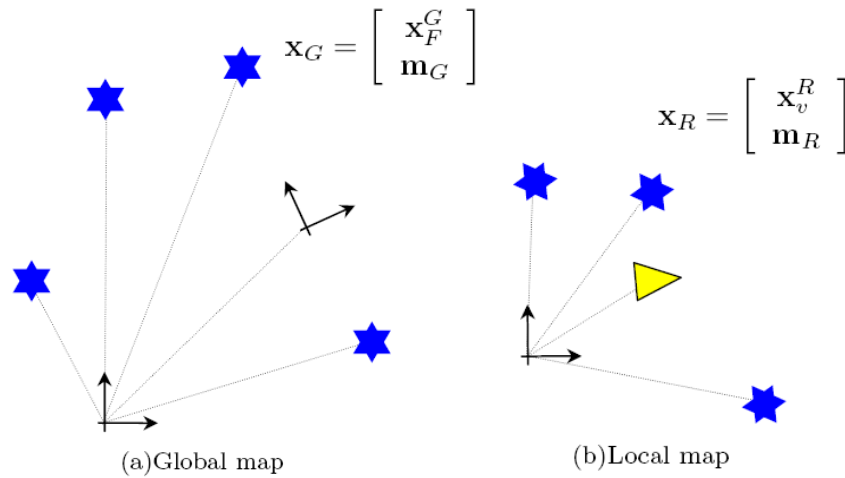
- We can also evaluate the analytical expressions of the new terms



$$P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} P_{v,v}^0 & P_{v,m}^0 & ? \\ P_{m,v}^0 & P_{m,m}^0 & ? \\ ? & ? & ? \end{bmatrix}$$



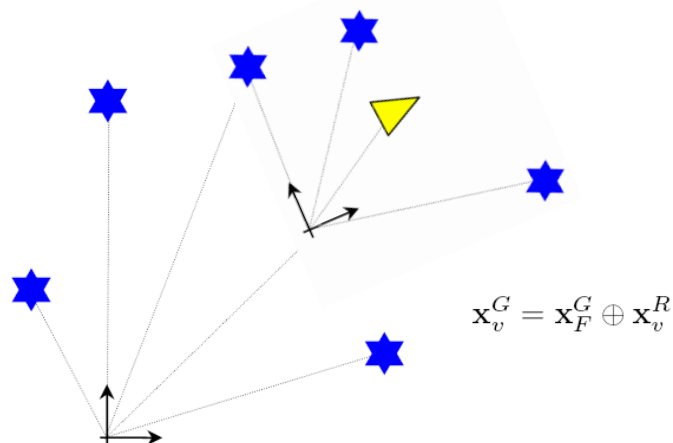
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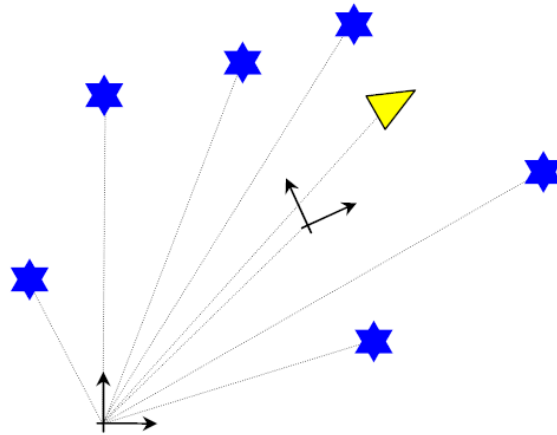
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## CLSF Global Estimate





# Probabilistic Robotics: Planning & Control

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## Schedule of Events

Week	Date	Lecture (W: 12:05-1:50, 50-N202)
1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& <i>Ekka Day</i> )
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Single View Geometry & Lines
8	14-Sep	Robot Sensing: Feature Detection
9	21-Sep	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization & SLAM
12	19-Oct	<b>Probabilistic Robotics: Planning &amp; Control (State-Space/Shaping the Dynamic Response/LQR)</b>
13	26-Oct	The Future of Robotics/Automation + Challenges + Course Review



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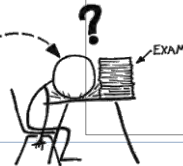


# Final Exam!

- 4 Questions | 60 Minutes
- **Open Book**
- Similar in nature to the [2015 Quiz](#)

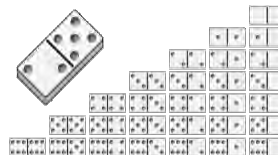
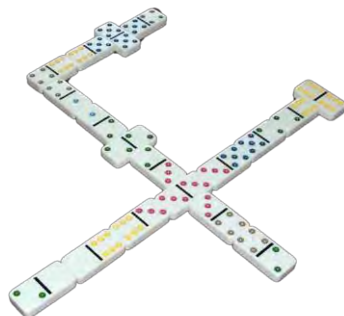
## Topics:

- Position, orientation and location in space
- Robot analysis (forward/inverse kinematics, recursive Newton-Euler formulations, etc.)
- Sensing geometry (including camera calibration)
- Multiple-view geometry
- Motion planning and control

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## Lab 3: Robotics of a Domino Sort

## I. Playing Dominoes of a Sort • Option 2: Play Dominos



Source <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muggins#/media/File:Muggins.jpg>

## Cool Robotics Share

### White House AI Symposium

- Report on the opportunities, considerations, challenges of AI



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- Related Event (similar thread):  
[ETHZ Cybathlon](#)

Source: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2016/10/12/administrations-report-future-artificial-intelligence> | <http://www.nbcnews.com/health/health-news/brain-chip-helps-paralyzed-man-feel-his-fingers-n665881>



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## Planning & Control Robotics

### • Obstacles + Dynamics



- Partial collisions allowed!

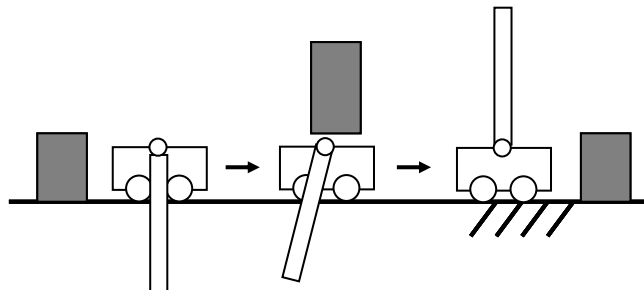


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## Integrated Planning and Control Methods...

- A motivating problem (for agility)
  - Cart and pole in a cluttered workspace ...



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## Outline

1. Guest Presentation:  
Josh Song, CHARM Planning
2. Probabilistic Robotics
3. Sample-Based Planning
4. Control (State-Space | Shaping Response | LQR)
5. Integrated Planning & Control

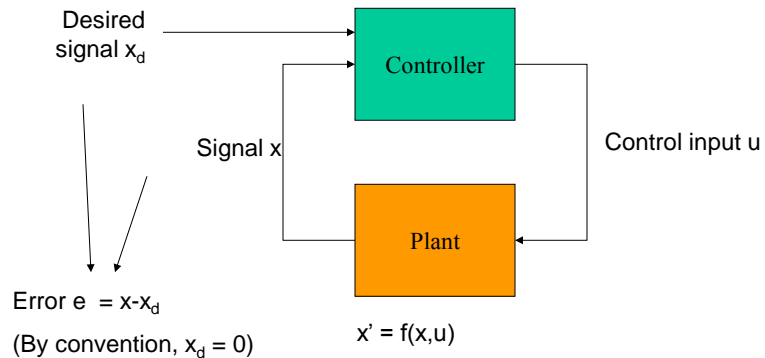


# Control

*(Feedback is our friend!)*

## Control Theory

- The use of feedback to regulate a signal



## Model-free vs model-based

- Two general philosophies:
  - Model-free: do not require a dynamics model to be provided
  - Model-based: do use a dynamics model during computation
- Model-free methods:
  - Simpler (eg. **PID**)
  - Tend to require much more manual tuning to perform well
- Model-based methods:
  - Can achieve good performance (optimal w.r.t. some cost function)
  - Are more complicated to implement
  - Require reasonably good models (system-specific knowledge)
  - Calibration: build a model using measurements before behaving
  - Adaptive control: “learn” parameters of the model online from sensors



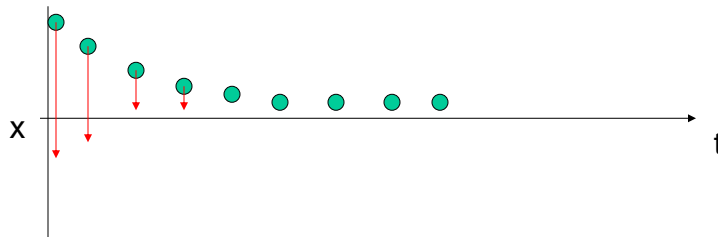
## PID control

- **Proportional-Integral-Derivative** controller

- A workhorse of 1D control systems
- Model-free

- Proportional Case:

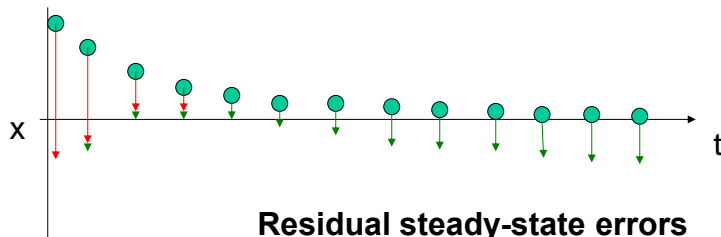
- $u(t) \stackrel{\text{Gain}}{=} -K_p x(t)$
- Negative sign assumes control acts in the same direction as  $x$



## PID control: Integral term

Integral gain

- $u(t) = -K_p x(t) - K_i I(t)$
- $I(t) = \int_0^t x(t)dt$  (accumulation of errors)

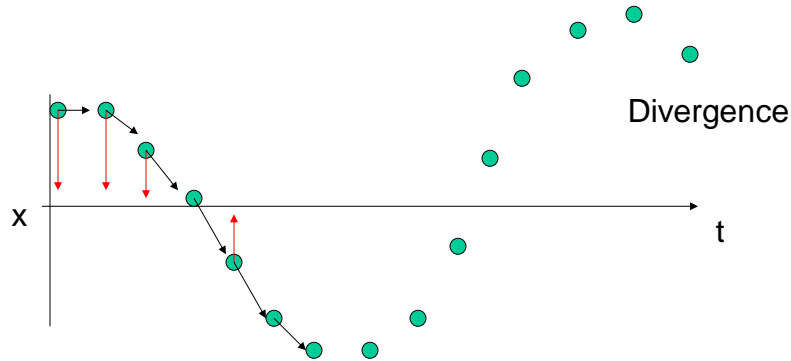


**Residual steady-state errors  
driven asymptotically to 0**



## PID control: Integral term: Instability

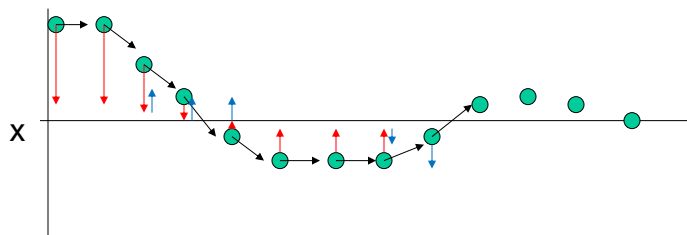
- I adds a pole
- If not tuned correctly  $\rightarrow$  this adds instability
- Ex: For a 2<sup>nd</sup> order system (momentum), P control



## PID control: Derivative term

Derivative gain

$$u(t) = -K_p x(t) - \overbrace{K_d}^{\text{Derivative gain}} x'(t)$$

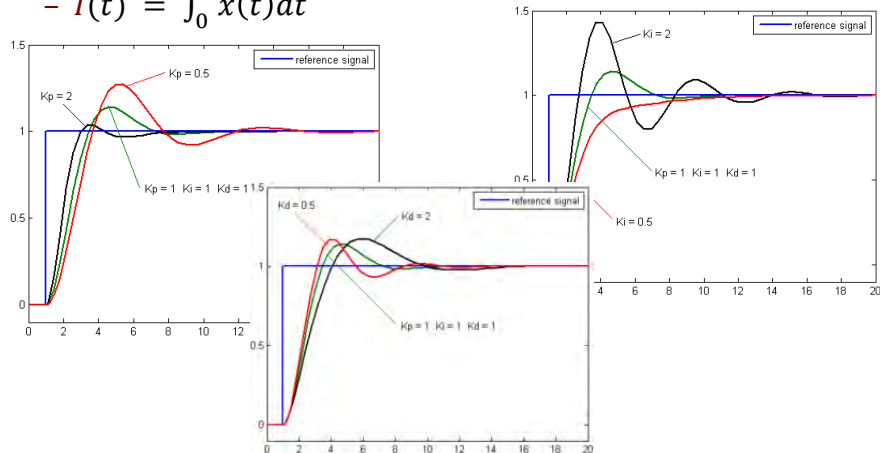


## PID control: Together

- P+I+D:

- $u(t) = -K_p x(t) - K_i I(t) - K_d x'(t)$

- $I(t) = \int_0^t x(t) dt$



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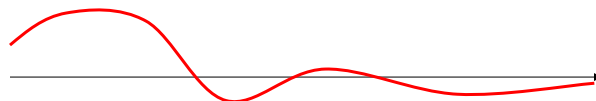
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## Stability and Convergence

- System is *stable* if errors stay bounded



- System is *convergent* if errors  $\rightarrow 0$

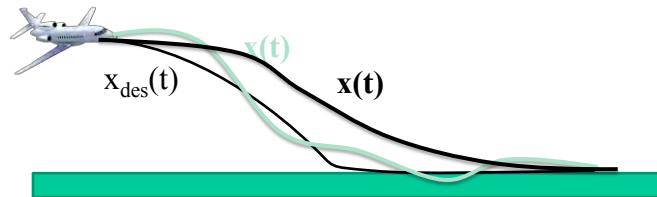


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## Example: Trajectory following

- Say a trajectory  $x_{\text{des}}(t)$  has been designed
  - E.g., a rocket's ascent, a steering path for a car, a plane's landing
- Apply PID control
  - $u(t) = K_p (x_{\text{des}}(t) - x(t)) - K_i I(t) + K_d (x'_{\text{des}}(t) - x'(t))$
  - $I(t) = \int_0^t x_{\text{des}}(t) - x(t) dt$
- The designer of  $x_{\text{des}}$  needs to be knowledgeable about the controller's behavior!



## Controller Tuning Workflow

- Hypothesize a control policy
- Analysis:
  - Assume a model
  - Assume disturbances to be handled
  - Test performance either through **mathematical analysis**, or through **simulation**
- Go back and redesign control policy
  - Mathematical techniques give you more insight to improve redesign, but require more work





## Multivariate Systems

What about more than more interacting aspect?

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= f(x, u) \\ x &\in \mathbf{X} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \\ u &\in \mathbf{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m\end{aligned}$$

- Note:  $m \neq n$  and variables are **coupled**  
→ This is not as easy as setting  $n$  PID controllers  
→ Derive a “space” of controllers??



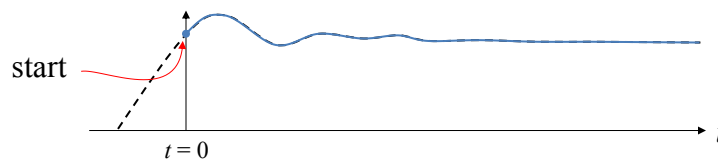
## State-Space Modelling (ELEC3004 Super-Summary!)

*("Hear Ye! It be stated")*

## Affairs of state

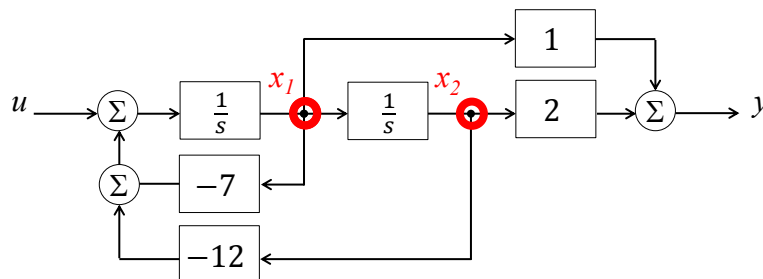
- Introductory brain-teaser:
  - If you have a dynamic system model with history (ie. integration) how do you represent the instantaneous state of the plant?

Eg. how would you setup a simulation of a step response, mid-step?



## Introduction to state-space

- We can identify the nodes in the system
  - These nodes contain the integrated time-history values of the system response
  - We call them “states”



## Linear system equations

- We can represent the dynamic relationship between the states with a linear system:

$$\dot{x}_1 = -7x_1 - 12x_2 + u$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_1 + 0x_2 + 0u$$

$$y = x_1 + 2x_2 + 0u$$



## State variable transformation

- Important note!
  - The states of a control canonical form system are not the same as the modal states
  - They represent the same dynamics, and give the same output, but the vector values are different!
- However we can convert between them:
  - Consider state representations,  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{q}$  where

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{q}$$

$\mathbf{T}$  is a “transformation matrix”



## State variable transformation

- Two homologous representations:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}u \\ y &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}u\end{aligned}\quad \text{and} \quad \begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{q}} &= \mathbf{F}\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}u \\ y &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{J}u\end{aligned}$$

We can write:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{T}\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{B}u \\ \dot{\mathbf{q}} &= \mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{B}u\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{T}$  and  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{B}$

Similarly,  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{T}$  and  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{J}$



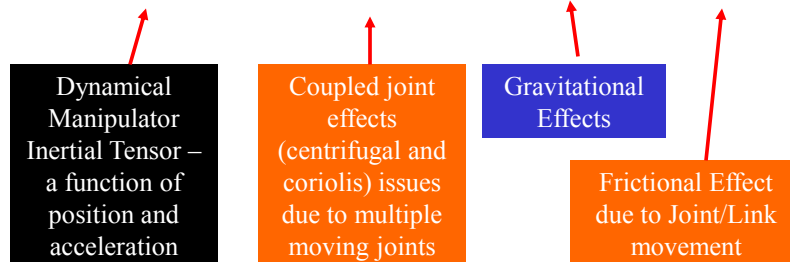
## Example: (Back To) Robot Arms

Slides 17-27 Source: R. Lindeke, ME 4135, "Introduction to Control"

## Remembering the Motion Models:

- Recall from Dynamics, the Required Joint Torque is:

$$\tau_i = D_i(q) \ddot{q}_i + C_i(q, \dot{q}_i) + h(q) + b(\dot{q}_i)$$



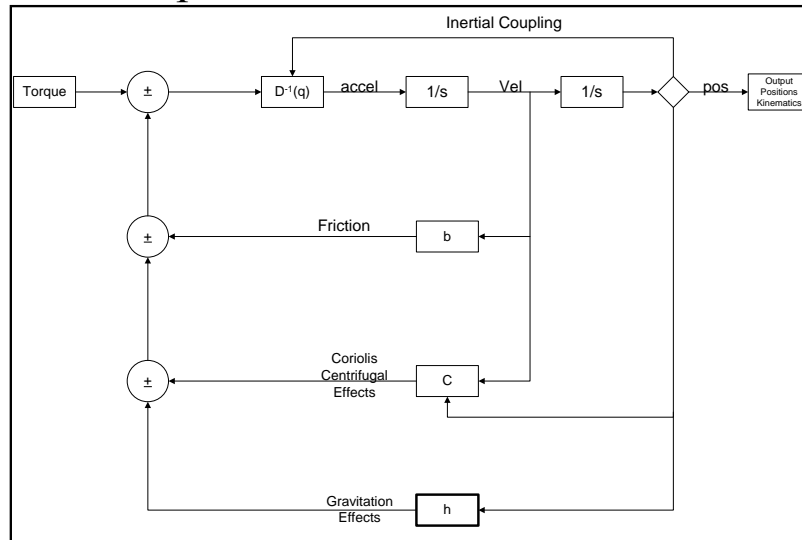
## Lets simplify the model

- This torque model is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order one (in position) lets look at it as a velocity model rather than positional one then it becomes a system of highly coupled 1<sup>st</sup> order differential equations
- We will then isolate Acceleration terms (acceleration is the 1<sup>st</sup> derivative of velocity)

$$a = \dot{v} = \ddot{q} = D_i^{-1}(q) (\tau_i - C_i(q, \dot{q}_i) - h(q) - b(\dot{q}_1))$$

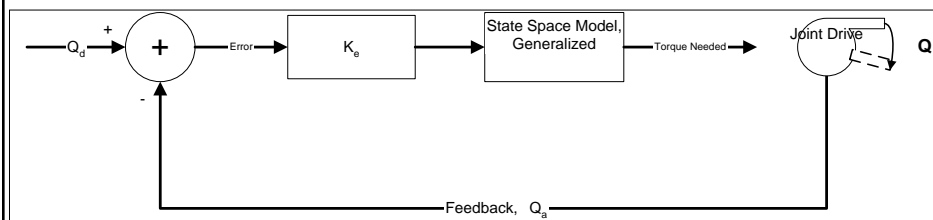


## The State-Space Control Model:



## Setting up a Real Control

- We will (start) by using positional error to drive our torque devices



- This simple model is called a PE (proportional error) controller



## PE Controller:

- To a 1<sup>st</sup> approximation,  $\tau = K_m \cdot i$ 
  - Torque is proportional to motor current
- And the Torque required is a function of ‘Inertial’ (Acceleration) and ‘Friction’ (velocity) effects as suggested by our L-E models

$$\tau_m \simeq J_{eq}\ddot{q} + F_{eq}\dot{q}$$

→ Which can be approximated as:

$$K_m I_m = J_{eq}\ddot{q} + F_{eq}\dot{q}$$



## Setting up a “Control Law”

- We will use the positional error (as drawn in the state model) to develop our torque control
- We say then for PE control:

$$\tau \propto k_{pe}(\theta_d - \theta_a)$$

- Here,  $k_{pe}$  is a “gain” term that guarantees sufficient current will be generated to develop appropriate torque based on observed positional error



## Using this Control Type:

- It is a representation of the physical system of a mass on a spring!
- We say after setting our target as a 'zero goal' that:

$$-k_{pe} * \theta_a = J\ddot{\theta} + F\dot{\theta}$$

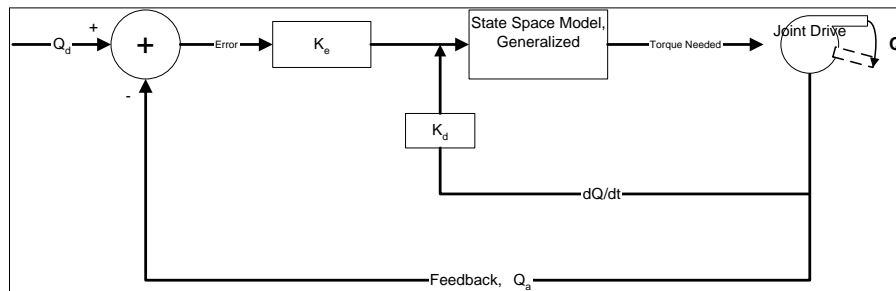
the solution of which is:

$\theta_a$  is a function of  
the servo  
feedback as a  
function of time!

$$\theta_a = e^{-(F/2J)t} \left[ C_1 e^{(1/2)\omega t} + C_2 e^{-(1/2)\omega t} \right]$$

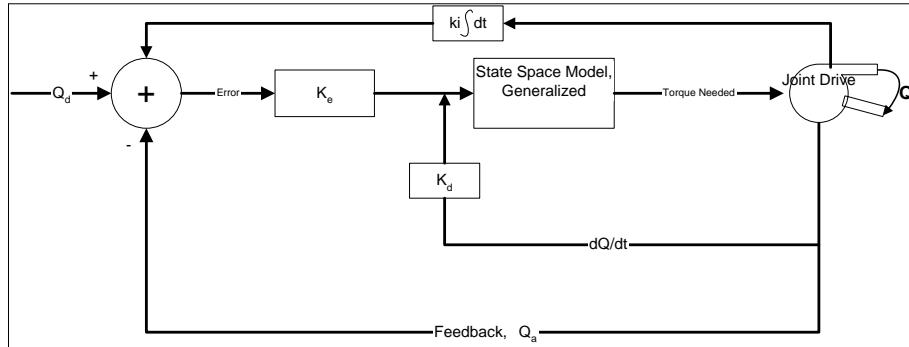


## State Space Model of PD:





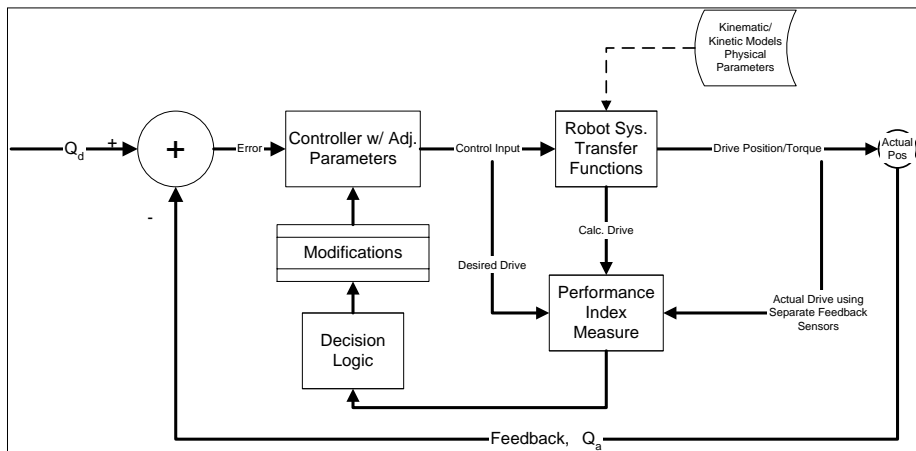
## PID State Space Model:



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## State Model of Adjustable Controller



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# State-Space Control Design

*AKA, it's all about  $\bar{\mathbf{u}}$  ☺*

*Punchline: it's an Optimization  
(Algebraic Riccati equation  $\rightarrow$  Nonlinear optimization  $\rightarrow$  Search! ...  
Just like SLAM | Motion Planning!)*

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## State-space control design

- Design for discrete state-space systems is just like the continuous case.

- Apply linear state-variable feedback:

$$\mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}$$

such that  $\det(\mathbf{z}\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{\Phi} + \mathbf{\Gamma}\mathbf{K}) = \alpha_c(\mathbf{z})$

where  $\alpha_c(\mathbf{z})$  is the desired control characteristic equation

Predictably, this requires the system controllability matrix

$$\mathcal{C} = [\mathbf{\Gamma} \quad \mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{\Gamma} \quad \mathbf{\Phi}^2\mathbf{\Gamma} \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{\Phi}^{n-1}\mathbf{\Gamma}] \text{ to be full-rank.}$$



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## Great, so how about control?

- Given  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{G}u$ , if we know  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{G}$ , we can design a controller  $u = -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}$  such that

$$\text{eig}(\mathbf{F} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{K}) < 0$$

- In fact, if we have full measurement and control of the states of  $\mathbf{x}$ , we can position the poles of the system in arbitrary locations!

(Of course, that never happens in reality.)



## Example: PID control

- Consider a system parameterised by three states:
  - $x_1, x_2, x_3$
  - where  $x_2 = \dot{x}_1$  and  $x_3 = \dot{x}_2$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & -2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{K}u$$
$$y = [0 \quad 1 \quad 0] \mathbf{x} + 0u$$

$x_2$  is the output state of the system;

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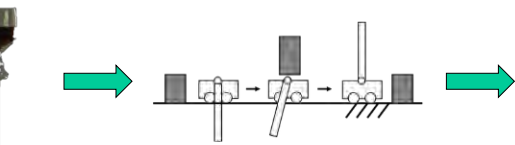


## Example: Inverted Pendulum

# Digital Control



Wikipedia,  
Cart and pole



$$L = \frac{1}{2} M \dot{x}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{v}_2^2 - mgl \cos \theta$$

where  $v_1$  is the velocity of the cart and  $v_2$  is the velocity of the point mass  $m$ .  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  can be expressed in terms of  $x$  and  $\theta$  by writing the velocity as the first derivative of the position:

$$v_1^2 = \dot{x}^2$$

$$v_2^2 = \left( \frac{d}{dt} (x - \ell \sin \theta) \right)^2 + \left( \frac{d}{dt} (\ell \cos \theta) \right)^2$$

Simplifying the expression for  $v_2$  leads to:

$$v_2^2 = \dot{x}^2 - 2\ell \dot{x} \dot{\theta} \cos \theta + \ell^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

The Lagrangian is now given by:

$$L = \frac{1}{2} (M + m) \dot{x}^2 - m\ell \dot{x} \dot{\theta} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} m\ell^2 \dot{\theta}^2 - mgl \cos \theta$$

and the equations of motion are:

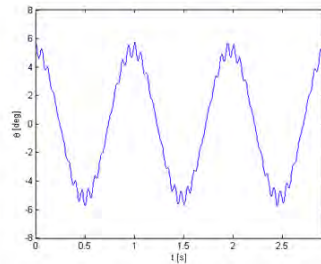
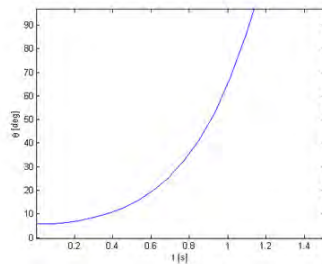
$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = F$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

substituting  $L$  in these equations and simplifying leads to the equations that describe the motion of

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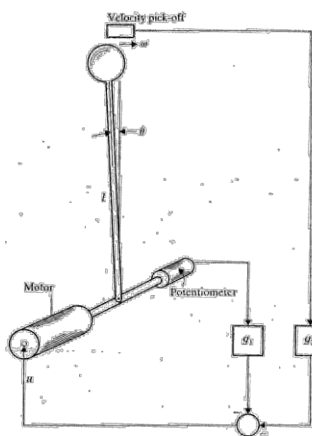
$$\ell \ddot{\theta} - g \sin \theta = \ddot{x} \cos \theta$$



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# Inverted Pendulum



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## Inverted Pendulum – Equations of Motion

- The equations of motion of an inverted pendulum (under a small angle approximation) may be linearized as:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\theta} &= \omega \\ \dot{\omega} = \ddot{\theta} &= Q^2\theta + Pu\end{aligned}$$

Where:

$$\begin{aligned}Q^2 &= \left(\frac{M+m}{Ml}\right)g \\ P &= \frac{1}{Ml}.\end{aligned}$$

If we further assume unity  $Ml$  ( $Ml \approx 1$ ), then  $P \approx 1$



## Inverted Pendulum –State Space

- We then select a state-vector as:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}, \text{ hence } \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\omega} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega \\ \dot{\omega} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Hence giving a state-space model as:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ Q^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The resolvent of which is:

$$\Phi(s) = (sI - A)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ -Q^2 & s \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{s^2 - Q^2} \begin{bmatrix} s & 1 \\ Q^2 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

- And a state-transition matrix as:

$$\Phi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cosh Qt & \frac{\sinh Qt}{Q} \\ Q \sinh Qt & \cosh Qt \end{bmatrix}$$



# Shaping of Dynamic Responses

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## ELEC3004 Flashback: Another way to see P I|D

- Derivative

D provides:

- High sensitivity
- Responds to change
- Adds “damping” &  
 $\therefore$  permits larger  $K_p$
- Noise sensitive
- Not used alone  
( $\therefore$  its on rate change of error – by itself it wouldn’t get there)

→ “Diet Coke of control”

- Integral

- Eliminates offsets  
(makes regulation ☺)
- Leads to Oscillatory behaviour
- Adds an “order” but instability  
(Makes a 2<sup>nd</sup> order system 3<sup>rd</sup> order)



→ “Interesting cake of control”



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## PID control

- Consider a system parameterised by three states:
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## PID control [2]

- We can choose  $\mathbf{K}$  to move the eigenvalues of the system as desired:

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All of these eigenvalues must be positive.

It's straightforward to see how adding derivative gain  $K_3$  can stabilise the system.





## Implementation of Digital PID Controllers

We will consider the PID controller with an  $s$ -domain transfer function

$$\frac{U(s)}{X(s)} = G_c(s) = K_P + \frac{K_I}{s} + K_D s. \quad (13.54)$$

We can determine a digital implementation of this controller by using a discrete approximation for the derivative and integration. For the time derivative, we use the **backward difference rule**

$$u(kT) = \left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{t=kT} = \frac{1}{T}(x(kT) - x[(k-1)T]). \quad (13.55)$$

The  $z$ -transform of Equation (13.55) is then

$$U(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{T} X(z) = \frac{z - 1}{Tz} X(z).$$

The integration of  $x(t)$  can be represented by the **forward-rectangular integration** at  $t = kT$  as

$$u(kT) = u[(k-1)T] + Tx(kT), \quad (13.56)$$

Source: Dorf & Bishop, Modern Control Systems, §13.9, pp. 1030-1



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## Implementation of Digital PID Controllers (2)

where  $u(kT)$  is the output of the integrator at  $t = kT$ . The  $z$ -transform of Equation (13.56) is

$$U(z) = z^{-1}U(z) + TX(z),$$

and the transfer function is then

$$\frac{U(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{Tz}{z - 1}.$$

Hence, the  $z$ -domain transfer function of the **PID controller** is

$$G_c(z) = K_P + \frac{K_I T z}{z - 1} + K_D \frac{z - 1}{Tz}. \quad (13.57)$$

The complete difference equation algorithm that provides the PID controller is obtained by adding the three terms to obtain [we use  $x(kT) = x(k)$ ]

$$\begin{aligned} u(k) &= K_P x(k) + K_I [u(k-1) + Tx(k)] + (K_D/T)[x(k) - x(k-1)] \\ &= [K_P + K_I T + (K_D/T)]x(k) - K_D T x(k-1) + K_I u(k-1). \end{aligned} \quad (13.58)$$

Equation (13.58) can be implemented using a digital computer or microprocessor. Of course, we can obtain a PI or PD controller by setting an appropriate gain equal to zero.

Source: Dorf & Bishop, Modern Control Systems, §13.9, pp. 1030-1



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## Let's Generalize This: Shaping the Dynamic Response

- A method of designing a control system for a process in which all the state variables are accessible for Measurement
  - ➔ This method is also known as *pole-placement*
- Theory:
  - We will find that in a controllable system, with all the state variables accessible for measurement, it is possible to place the closed-loop poles anywhere we wish in the complex  $s$  plane!
- Practice:
  - Unfortunately, however, what can be attained in principle may not be attainable in practice. Speeding the response of a sluggish system requires the use of large control signals which the actuator (or power supply) may not be capable of delivering. And, control system gains are **very sensitive** to the location of the open-loop poles



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# Pole Placement

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## Pole Placement (Following [FPW – Chapter 6](#))

- FPW has a slightly different notation:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{G}u, \\ y &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}, \\ \mathbf{x}(k+1) &= \Phi\mathbf{x}(k) + \Gamma u(k), \\ y(k) &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}(k), \\ \Phi &= e^{\mathbf{F}T}, \\ \Gamma &= \int_0^T e^{\mathbf{F}\eta} d\eta \mathbf{G},\end{aligned}$$



## Pole Placement

- Start with a simple feedback control law (“controller”)

$$u = -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{x} = -[K_1 K_2 \dots] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

- It’s actually a regulator
  - ∴ it does not allow for a reference input to the system.  
(there is no “reference”  $\mathbf{r}$  ( $\mathbf{r} = 0$ ))

- Substitute in the difference equation

$$\mathbf{x}(k+1) = \Phi\mathbf{x}(k) - \Gamma\mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}(k)$$

- $\mathcal{Z}$  Transform:

$$(z\mathbf{I} - \Phi + \Gamma\mathbf{K})\mathbf{X}(z) = 0$$

→ Characteristic Eqn:

$$\det|z\mathbf{I} - \Phi + \Gamma\mathbf{K}| = 0$$



## Pole Placement

*Pole placement:* Big idea:

- Arbitrarily select the desired root locations of the closed-loop system and see if the approach will work.
- AKA: full state feedback
  - ∴ enough parameters to influence all the closed-loop poles
- Finding the elements of  $K$  so that the roots are in the desired locations. Unlike classical design, where we iterated on parameters in the compensator (hoping) to find acceptable root locations, the full state feedback, pole-placement approach guarantees success and allows us to arbitrarily pick any root locations, providing that  $n$  roots are specified for an  $n^{\text{th}}$ -order system.

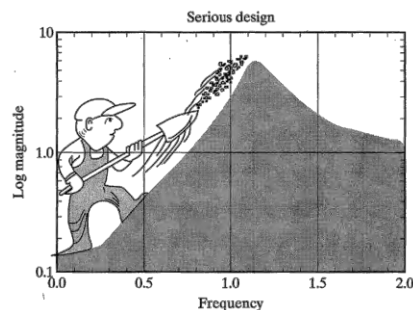


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## Meaning – No Free Lunch

- The energy (and sensitivity) moves around (in this case in “frequency”)



- Sensitivity reduction at low frequency unavoidably leads to sensitivity increase at higher frequencies.

Source: Gunter Stein's interpretation of the water bed effect – G. Stein, *IEEE Control Systems Magazine*, 2003.



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## Back to Pole Placement

- Given:

$$z_i = \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \dots$$

- This gives the desired control-characteristic equation as:

$$a_c(z) = (z - \beta_1)(z - \beta_2)(z - \beta_3) \dots =$$

- Now we “just solve” for **K** and “bingo”



## Pole Placement Example (FPW p. 241)

**Example 6.1:** Suppose we want to design a control law for the satellite attitude-control system described by (2.45) with  $\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{x}_1 \ \mathbf{x}_2]$ . Example 2.13 showed that the discrete model for this system is

$$\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} T^2/2 \\ T \end{bmatrix}.$$

We want to pick  $z$ -plane roots of the closed-loop characteristic equation so that the equivalent  $s$ -plane roots have a damping ratio of  $\zeta = 0.5$  and real part of  $s = -1.8$  rad/sec (i.e.,  $s = -1.8 \pm j3.12$  rad/sec). Using  $z = e^{sT}$  with a sample period of  $T = 0.1$  sec, we find that  $z = 0.8 \pm j0.25$ , as shown in Fig. 6.1. The desired characteristic equation is then

$$z^2 - 1.6z + 0.70 = 0, \quad (6.9)$$

and the evaluation of (6.7) for any control law **K** leads to

$$\det \left| z \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} T^2/2 \\ T \end{bmatrix} [K_1 \ K_2] \right| = 0$$

or

$$z^2 + (TK_2 + (T^2/2)K_1 - 2)z + (T^2/2)K_1 - TK_2 + 1 = 0. \quad (6.10)$$



## Pole Placement Example (FPW p. 241)

Equating coefficients in (6.9) and (6.10) with like powers of  $z$ , we obtain two simultaneous equations in the two unknown elements of  $K$ :

$$TK_2 + (T^2/2)K_1 - 2 = -1.6,$$

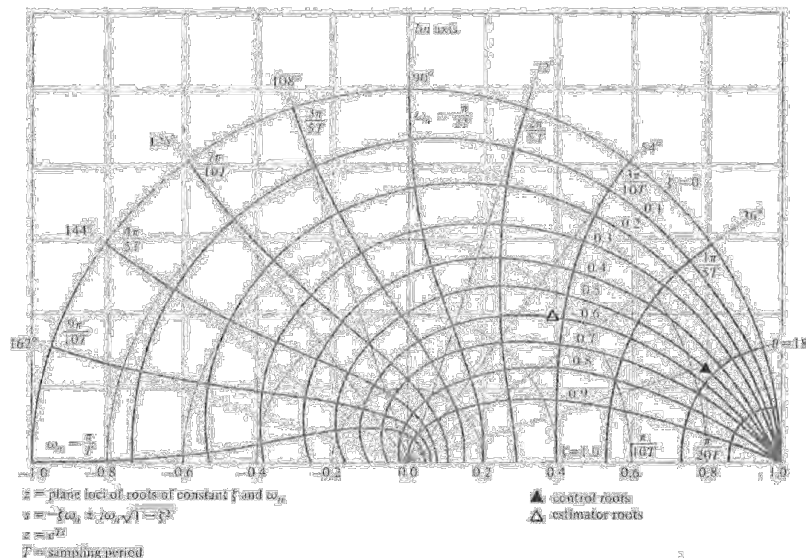
$$(T^2/2)K_1 - TK_2 + 1 = 0.70,$$

which are easily solved for the coefficients and evaluated for  $T = 0.1$  sec:

$$K_1 = \frac{0.10}{T^2} = 10, \quad K_2 = \frac{0.35}{T} = 3.5.$$



## Pole Placement Example (FPW p. 241)



## Ackermann's Formula (FPW p. 245)

- Gains maybe approximated with:

$$K = [0 \dots 0 \quad 1][\Gamma \quad \Phi\Gamma \quad \Phi^2\Gamma \dots \Phi^{n-1}\Gamma]^{-1}\alpha_c(\Phi),$$

- Where:  $C$  = controllability matrix,  $n$  is the order of the system (or number of state elements) and  $\alpha_c$ :

$$C = [\Gamma \quad \Phi\Gamma \dots]$$

$$\alpha_c(\Phi) = \Phi^n + \alpha_1\Phi^{n-1} + \alpha_2\Phi^{n-2} + \dots + \alpha_n I,$$

- $\alpha_i$  coefficients of the desired characteristic equation.



## Ackermann's Formula Example (FPW p.246)

**Example 6.2:** Applying Ackermann's formula to the satellite attitude-control system of Example 6.1, we find from (6.9) that

$$\alpha_1 = -1.6, \quad \alpha_2 = +0.70,$$

and therefore

$$\alpha_c(\Phi) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 1.6 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0.70 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.4T \\ 0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Furthermore, we find that

$$[\Gamma \quad \Phi\Gamma] = \begin{bmatrix} T^2/2 & 3T^2/2 \\ T & T \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$[\Gamma \quad \Phi\Gamma]^{-1} = 1/T^2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 & +3T/2 \\ 1 & -T/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and finally

$$K = [K_1 \quad K_2] = (1/T^2) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3T/2 \\ 1 & -T/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.4T \\ 0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned} [K_1 \quad K_2] &= \frac{1}{T^2} \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.35T \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 3.5 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

which is the same result as that obtained earlier.



# Viewing State-Space as a Tool for Solving ODEs Simultaneously

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## State Space as an ODE

- The basic mathematical model for an LTI system consists of the state differential equation

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t) & \mathbf{x}(t_0) &= \mathbf{x}_0 \\ \mathbf{y}(t) &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)\end{aligned}$$

- The solution is can be expressed as a sum of terms owing to the initial state and to the input respectively:

$$\begin{aligned}x(t) &= \underbrace{e^{at}x_0}_{\text{zero-input response}} + \underbrace{\int_0^t e^{a(t-\tau)}bu(\tau)d\tau}_{\text{zero-state response}} & y(t) &= ce^{at}x_0 + \int_0^t ce^{a(t-\tau)}bu(\tau)d\tau + du(t)\end{aligned}$$

- This is a first-order solution similar to what we expect



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## State Equation Solution: Matrix Exponential

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \int_0^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau \quad \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}_0 + \int_0^t \mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t)$$

- The first term can be handled via a Taylor Series

$$e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \mathbf{A}^k (t-t_0)^k = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}(t-t_0) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A}^2 (t-t_0)^2 + \frac{1}{6} \mathbf{A}^3 (t-t_0)^3 + \dots$$

→ This case is known as the matrix exponential function

→ Also referred to as the state-transition matrix, denoted by  $\Phi(t, t_0)$ :

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \Phi(t) \mathbf{x}_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t-\tau) \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau$$

- The state-transition matrix satisfies the homogeneous state equation, thus, it represents the free response of the system. That is, it governs the response that is excited by the initial conditions only



## Output Equation Solution

- Having the solution for the complete state response, a solution for the complete output equation can be obtained as:

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \underbrace{\mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}_0}_{\text{zero-input response: } \mathbf{y}_{zi}(t)} + \underbrace{\int_0^t \mathbf{C} e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t)}_{\mathbf{y}_{zs}(t): \text{zero-state response}}$$



## State Equation Solution

- Thus, the solution to the unforced system ( $u=0$ ):

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{11}(t) & \cdots & \phi_{1n}(t) \\ \phi_{21}(t) & \cdots & \phi_{2n}(t) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \phi_{n1}(t) & \cdots & \phi_{nn}(t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: the term  $\phi_{ij}(t)$  can be interpreted as the response of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  state variable due to an initial condition on the  $j^{\text{th}}$  state variable when there are zero initial conditions on all other states.

- The solution of the state differential equation can also be obtained using the Laplace transform:

$$\begin{aligned} & L[\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)] \\ & \quad \downarrow \\ & L[\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t)] = L[\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t)] + L[\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)] \\ & \quad \downarrow \\ & s\mathbf{X}(s) - \mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}(s) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}(s) \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} & \nearrow \\ & \mathbf{X}(s) = (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{x}_0 + (s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}(s) \\ & \quad \downarrow \\ & \mathbf{X}(s) = \Phi(s)\mathbf{x}_0 + \Phi(s)\mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}(s) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow L[\Phi(t)] = \Phi(s) = [s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}]^{-1} \longrightarrow \Phi(t) = L^{-1}[s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}]^{-1}$$



## Properties of the Matrix Exponential

- Note that  $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$  is just a notation used to represent a power series.

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} \neq [e^{a_{ij}t}]$$

- Example 1: Consider the following 4x4 matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let's obtain the first terms of the power series:

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}^k = 0 \quad \forall k \geq 4$$

The power series contains only a finite number of nonzero terms:

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}t + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{A}^2t^2 + \frac{1}{6}\mathbf{A}^3t^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -t & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}t^2 & -t & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{6}t^3 & \frac{1}{2}t^2 & -t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \neq [e^{a_{ij}t}] = \begin{bmatrix} e^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ e^{-t} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-t} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Properties of the matrix exponential

► For any real  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , the matrix exponential  $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$  satisfies:

1.  $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$  is the unique matrix for which:  $\frac{d}{dt} e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{A}e^{\mathbf{A}t} \quad e^{\mathbf{A}t} \Big|_{t=0} = \mathbf{I}(n \times n)$

2. For any  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ :  $e^{\mathbf{A}(t_1+t_2)} = e^{\mathbf{A}t_1} e^{\mathbf{A}t_2}$

As a consequence:  $e^{\mathbf{A}(0)} = e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t)} = e^{\mathbf{A}t} e^{-\mathbf{A}t} = \mathbf{I}$

Thus,  $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$  is invertible for all  $t$ , being the inverse:  $[e^{\mathbf{A}t}]^{-1} = e^{-\mathbf{A}t}$

3. For all  $t$ ,  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $e^{\mathbf{A}t}$  commute with respect to matrix product:  $\mathbf{A}e^{\mathbf{A}t} = e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{A}$

4. For all  $t$ :  $[e^{\mathbf{A}t}]^T = e^{\mathbf{A}^T t}$

5. For any real  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $e^{(\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{B})t} = e^{\mathbf{A}t} e^{\mathbf{B}t}$  for all  $t$  if and only if  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$

6. Finally, a useful property of the matrix exponential is that it can be reduced to a finite power series involving  $n$  scalar analytic functions  $\alpha_j(t)$

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \alpha_k(t) \mathbf{A}^k$$



## Using this to Solve State Space Problems

- Example:

- Solve the following linear second-order ordinary differential

$$\ddot{y}(t) + 7\dot{y}(t) + 12y(t) = u(t)$$

- Consider the input  $u(t)$  is a step of magnitude 3

and the initial conditions  $\dot{y}(0) = 0.05 \quad y(0) = 0.10$



## State-Space Exercise

- Solve the following linear second-order ordinary differential eq:

a. Using standard solution techniques

b. Using S-S solution techniques

$$\ddot{y}(t) + 7\dot{y}(t) + 12y(t) = u(t)$$

Consider the input  $u(t)$  is a step of magnitude 3

and the initial conditions:  $\dot{y}(0) = 0.05$   $y(0) = 0.10$

The first question can be solved by the students in order to review the techniques exposed in previous courses.

To solve the second question, we first choose state variables using phase-variable choice.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= y \\ \dot{x}_2 &= \dot{y} = \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= \dot{y} = u - 12x_1 - 7x_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -12 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.10 \\ 0.05 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -12 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Powers of  $\mathbf{A}$  are not nulls, thus, obtaining the state transition matrix as a power series is not practical

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## State-Space Exercise

- The expression  $\Phi(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[\mathbf{sI} - \mathbf{A}]^{-1}$  is recommended:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathbf{sI} - \mathbf{A} &= \begin{bmatrix} s & -1 \\ 12 & s+7 \end{bmatrix} \\ \det(\mathbf{sI} - \mathbf{A}) &= |\mathbf{sI} - \mathbf{A}| = s^2 + 7s + 12 \end{aligned} \right\} \Phi(s) = (\mathbf{sI} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} = \frac{1}{s^2 + 7s + 12} \begin{bmatrix} s+7 & 1 \\ -12 & s \end{bmatrix}$$

- Thus, from  $\mathbf{X}(s) = (\mathbf{sI} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{x}_0 + (\mathbf{sI} - \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{U}(s)$

$$\mathbf{X}(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 7s + 12} \begin{bmatrix} s+7 & 1 \\ -12 & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.10 \\ 0.05 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{s^2 + 7s + 12} \begin{bmatrix} s+7 & 1 \\ -12 & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{3}{s} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{s^2 + 7s + 12} \begin{bmatrix} 0.1s + 0.75 + \frac{3}{s} \\ 0.05s + 1.8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{0.1s^2 + 0.75s + 3}{s(s+3)(s+4)} \\ \frac{0.05s + 1.8}{(s+3)(s+4)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1(s) \\ X_2(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X_1(s) = \frac{0.1s^2 + 0.75s + 3}{s(s+3)(s+4)} = \frac{0.25}{s} - \frac{0.55}{s+3} + \frac{0.4}{s+4}$$

$$X_2(s) = \frac{0.05s + 1.8}{(s+3)(s+4)} = \frac{1.65}{s+3} - \frac{1.60}{s+4}$$

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# LQR

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## Linear Quadratic Regulator

- $x' = Ax + Bu$

- Objective: minimize quadratic cost

$$\int x^T Q x + u^T R u dt$$

Error term

“Effort” penalization

- Over an infinite horizon



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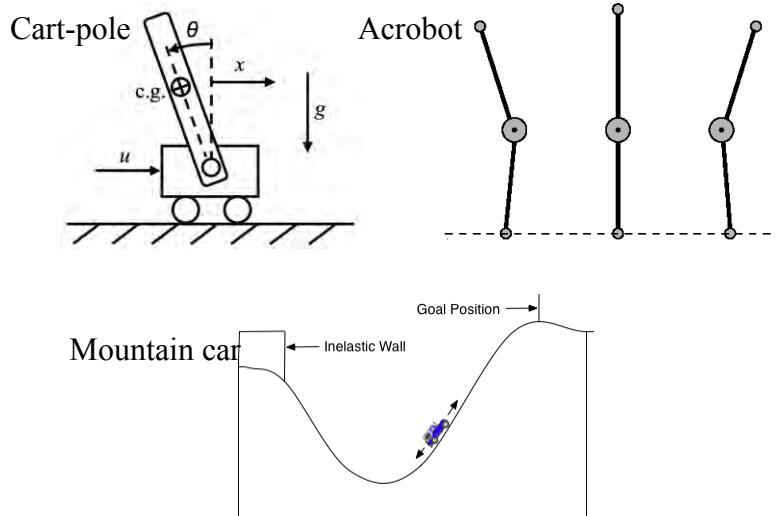
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## Closed form LQR solution

- Closed form solution  
 $u = -Kx$ , with  $K = R^{-1}BP$
- Where  $P$  is a symmetric matrix that solves the *Riccati equation*
  - $A^TP + PA - PBR^{-1}B^TP + Q = 0$
  - Derivation: calculus of variations
- Packages available for finding solution



## Toy Nonlinear Systems



# From Linear to Nonlinear

- We know how to solve (assuming  $\mathcal{G}_t, \mathcal{U}_t, \mathcal{X}_t$  convex):

$$\min_{u,x} \sum_{t=0}^H g_t(x_t, u_t) \quad (1)$$

- How about nonlinear dyn? subject to  $x_{t+1} = A_t x_t + B_t u_t + c_t \quad \forall t$   
 $u_t \in \mathcal{U}_t, x_t \in \mathcal{X}_t \quad \forall t$   
 $x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t) \quad \forall t$

## Shooting Methods (feasible)

Iterate for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$

Execute  $u_0^{(i)}, u_1^{(i)}, \dots, u_T^{(i)}$  (from solving (1))

Linearize around resulting trajectory

Solve (1) for current linearization

## Collocation Methods (infeasible)

Iterate for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$

--- (no execution)---

Linearize around current solution of (1)

Solve (1) for current linearization

**Sequential Quadratic Programming (SQP)** = either of the above methods, but instead of using linearization, linearize equality constraints, convex-quadratic approximate objective function



# Model Predictive Control

- Given:
- For  $k=0, 1, \bar{x}_0, \dots, T$ 
  - Solve  $\min_{x,u} \sum_{t=k}^T g_t(x_t, u_t)$   
s.t.  $x_{t+1} = f_t(x_t, u_t) \quad \forall t \in \{k, k+1, \dots, T-1\}$   
 $x_k = \bar{x}_k$
  - Execute  $u_k$
  - Observe resulting state,

$$\bar{x}_{k+1}$$



# Iterative LQR versus Sequential Convex

## Programming

- Both can solve

$$\min_{u,x} \sum_{t=0}^H g_t(x_t, u_t)$$

$$\text{subject to } x_{t+1} = f_t(x_t, u_t) \quad \forall t$$

$$u_t \in \mathcal{U}_t, x_t \in \mathcal{X}_t \quad \forall t$$

- Can run iterative LQR both as a shooting method or as a collocation method, it's just a different way of executing "Solve (1) for current linearization." In case of shooting, the sequence of linear feedback controllers found can be used for (closed-loop) execution.
- Iterative LQR might need some outer iterations, adjusting "t" of the log barrier

### Shooting Methods

Iterate for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$

Execute feedback controller (from solving (1))

Linearize around resulting **trajectory**

Solve (1) for current linearization

### Collocation Methods

Iterate for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$

--- (no execution)---

Linearize around current **solution** of (1)

Solve (1) for current linearization

**Sequential Quadratic Programming (SQP)** = either of the above methods, but instead of using linearization, linearize equality constraints, convex-quadratic approximate objective function



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## Example Shooting

```

%% a nonlinear control problem: cartpole
clear; clc; close all;

% shooting:
T = 100;
u = randn(1,T)*0.1;
max_iters = 10;
x_init = [-10; 0; 0; 0];
nX = 4; nU = 1;
x_eps = 0.1;
u_eps = 0.1;
dt = 0.1;
Q = eye(nX); R = eye(nU); Q_final = 100*eye(nX);
clear A B C

for iter = 1:max_iters
    % simulate and linearize
    x(:,1) = x_init;
    for t=1:T-1
        x(:,t+1) = sim_cartpole(x(:,t), u(:,t), dt);
        [A(t) B(t) C(t)] = compute_jacobian(@sim_cartpole, x(:,t), u(:,t), dt);
        %cartpole_draw(t*dt, x(:,t));
    end
    figure(1); subplot(3,1,1); hold on; plot(u); ylabel('u');
    subplot(3,1,2); hold on; plot(x(1,:)); ylabel('x'); subplot(3,1,3); hold on; plot(x(2,:)); ylabel('theta');
    cost(iter) = 0;
    for t=1:T-1
        cost(iter) = cost(iter) + x(:,t)'*Q*x(:,t) + u(:,t)'*R*u(:,t) + norm(u(:,t+1)-u(:,t),2);
    end
    cost(iter) = cost(iter) + x(:,T)'*Q_final*x(:,T);
    % solve convex problem
    cvx_begin
        variables s_cvx(nX,T) u_cvx(nU,T) s_cvx(1,T);
        minimize sum(s_cvx(1:T))
        subject to
            for t=1:T-1
                x_cvx(:,t+1) == A(t)*(x_cvx(:,t)-x(:,t)) + B(t)*(u_cvx(:,t)-u(:,t)) + C(t);
            end
            for t=1:T-1
                s_cvx(1,t) >= x_cvx(:,t)'*Q*x_cvx(:,t) + u_cvx(:,t)'*R*u_cvx(:,t) + norm(u_cvx(:,t+1)-u_cvx(:,t),2);
            end
            s_cvx(1,T) >= x_cvx(:,T)'*Q_final*x_cvx(:,T);
            for t=1:T
                norm(x_cvx(:,t) - x(:,t),2) <= x_eps;
                norm(u_cvx(:,t) - u(:,t),2) <= u_eps;
            end
            x_cvx(:,1) == x_init;
    cvx_end
    u = u_cvx;
end
    
```



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## Example Collocation

```
clear; clc; close all;

T = 100;
u = randn(1,T)/0.1;
max_iter = 10;
x_init = [-10; pi/10; -0.1; 0.1];
N = 4; dt = 1;
x_aps = 100;
u_aps = 1;
dt = 0.1;
Q = eye(4); R = eye(1); Q_final = 100*eye(4);
clear h;
x_target = [0;0;0;0];
for i=1:N
    x_init(i) = (x_target(i)-x_init(i))/(T-1); x_target(i);
end
u_iter = zeros(1,T);

for iter = 1:max_iter
    % simulation loop on simulation
    if iter==1
        x = x_init; u = u_iter;
    else
        x = x_cvx; u = u_cvx;
    end
    for t=1:T-1
        % T(t) = sin(carpole(t), t); dt;
        [A(t) B(t) c(t)] = compose_jacobian(firm_carpole, x(t), u(t), dt);
        %carpole_cnv(t), x(t);
    end
    figure(1); subplot(3,1,1); hold on; plot(x); ylabel('u');
    subplot(3,1,2); hold on; plot(x(1,:)); ylabel('x');
    subplot(3,1,3); hold on; plot(x(2,:)); ylabel('theta');
    cost_iter = 0;
    for t=1:T-1
        cost_iter = cost_iter + x(t)'*Q*x(t) + u(t)'*R*u(t) + norm(x(t+1)-u(t),2);
    end
    cost_iter = cost_iter + x(T)'*Q_final*x(T);
    cost
    % solve convex problem
    cvx_begin
    variables u_cvx(N,T) u_cvx(N,T) x_cvx(1,T);
    minimize sum(x_cvx(1,T))
    subject to
    for t=1:T-1
        x_cvx(t+1) == A(t)*x_cvx(t) + B(t)*u_cvx(t) + c(t);
    end
    for t=1:T-1
        u_cvx(t) == x_cvx(t)'*Q*x_cvx(t) + u_cvx(t)'*R*u_cvx(t) + norm(u_cvx(t)-u(t),2);
    end
    x_cvx(1,T) == x_cvx(1,T)'*Q_final*x_cvx(1,T);
    for t=1:T
        norm(x_cvx(t) - x(t),2) == x_aps;
        norm(u_cvx(t) - u(t),2) == u_aps;
    end
    x_cvx(1,1) == x_init;
    cvx_end
    u = u_cvx;
end

% let's evaluate the resulting open-loop sequence:
x(1) = x_init;
for t=1:T-1
    x(t+1) = firm_carpole(x(t), u(t), dt);
end
figure(1); subplot(3,1,1); hold on; plot(x); ylabel('u');
subplot(3,1,2); hold on; plot(x(1,:)); ylabel('x');
subplot(3,1,3); hold on; plot(x(2,:)); ylabel('theta');
final_cost = 0;
for t=1:T-1
    final_cost = final_cost + x(t)'*Q*x(t) + u(t)'*R*u(t) + norm(x(t+1)-u(t),2);
end
final_cost = final_cost + x(T)'*Q_final*x(T);
final_cost
```



## Practical Benefits and Issues with Shooting

+

At all times the sequence of controls is meaningful, and the objective function optimized directly corresponds to the current control sequence

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For unstable systems, need to run feedback controller during forward simulation

- Why? Open loop sequence of control inputs computed for the linearized system will not be perfect for the nonlinear system. If the nonlinear system is unstable, open loop execution would give poor performance.
- Fixes:
  - Run Model Predictive Control for forward simulation
  - Compute a linear feedback controller from the 2<sup>nd</sup> order Taylor expansion at the optimum



## Practical Benefits and Issues with Collocation

+ :

Can initialize with infeasible trajectory. Hence if you have a rough idea of a sequence of states that would form a reasonable solution, you can initialize with this sequence of states without needing to know a control sequence that would lead through them, and without needing to make them consistent with the dynamics

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Sequence of control inputs and states might never converge onto a feasible sequence



## Direct policy synthesis: Optimal control

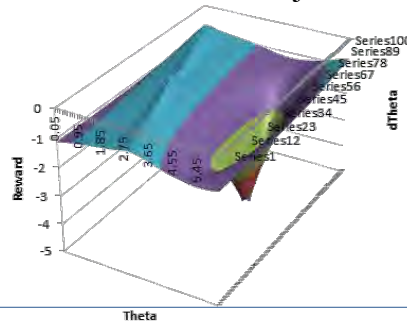
- *Input*: cost function  $J(x)$ , estimated dynamics  $f(x,u)$ , finite state/control spaces  $X, U$
- Two basic classes:
  - **Trajectory optimization**: Hypothesize control sequence  $u(t)$ , simulate to get  $x(t)$ , perform optimization to improve  $u(t)$ , repeat.
  - *Output*: optimal trajectory  $u(t)$  (in practice, only a locally optimal solution is found)
  - **Dynamic programming**: Discretize state and control spaces, form a discrete search problem, and solve it.
  - *Output*: Optimal policy  $u(x)$  across all of  $X$



## Discrete Search example

- Split  $X, U$  into cells  $x_1, \dots, x_n, u_1, \dots, u_m$
- Build transition function  $x_j = f(x_i, u_k)dt$  for all  $i, k$
- State machine with costs  $dt J(x_i)$  for staying in state  $i$
- Find  $u(x_i)$  that minimizes sum of total costs.
- **Value iteration:** repeated dynamic programming over  $V(x_i) = \text{sum of total future costs}$

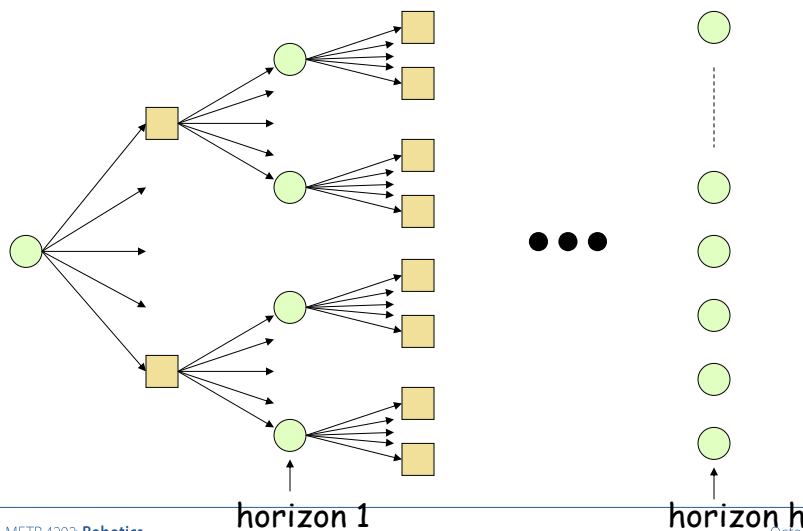
Value function for 1-joint acrobot



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## Receding Horizon Control (aka model predictive control)



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# Integrated Planning & Control

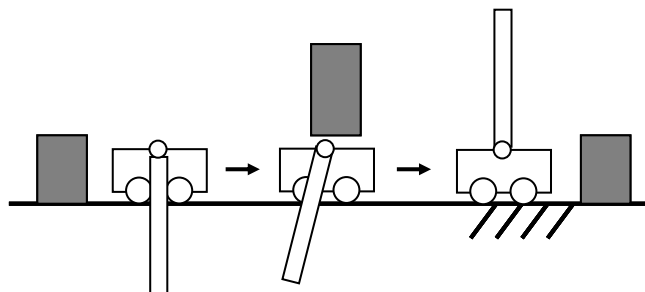
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## Integrated Planning and Control Methods...

- A motivating problem (for agility)
  - Cart and pole in a cluttered workspace ...



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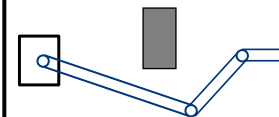
$$\dot{x} = F(x, u)$$



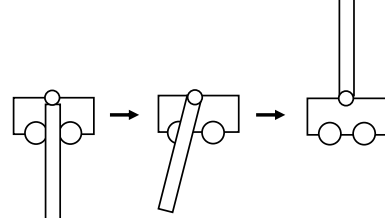
## Trajectory Generation with Constraints: Solutions from the Robotics Domain

$$\dot{x} = F(x, u)$$

Motion Planning Methods:



Feedback Control Methods:

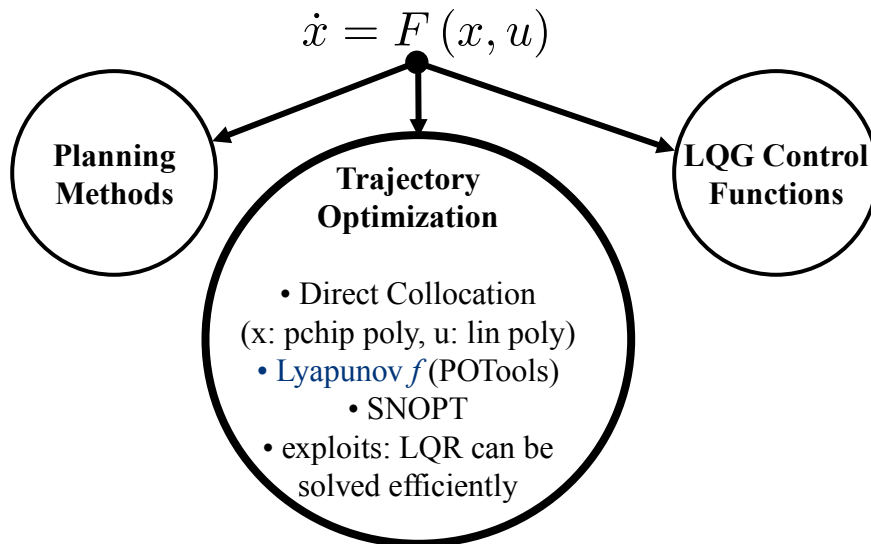


$$\begin{aligned} (M + m) \ddot{y} + ml \cos \theta \ddot{\theta} - ml \dot{\theta}^2 \sin \theta &= f \\ m (l \cos \theta \ddot{y} + l^2 \ddot{\theta} - gl \sin \theta) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



## Trajectory Optimization:

→ Integrated Planning & Feedback:



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## Few Questions Before Starting...

- *Can it possibly be this hard?*

Yes!

- (1) Dynamic systems are nonlinear  $m(l^2\ddot{\theta} + gl \sin \theta) = 0$
- (2) Decision-theoretic planning problems are combinatorial

- ***Underactuated system?***

[ $\triangleq$  control input cannot drive the state to any arbitrary direction]

→ DOF > actuators: car-like robot, airplane, cart and pole, etc

→ Actuator saturation!

- ***Why Now?***

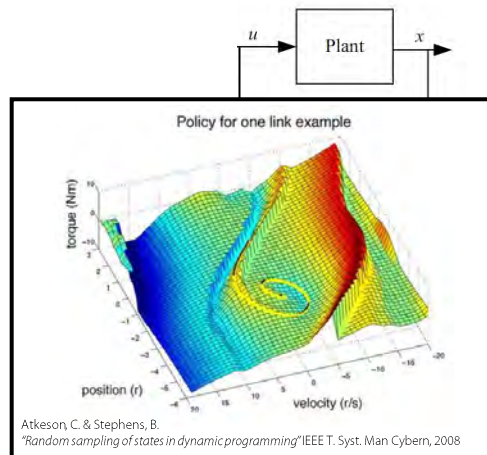
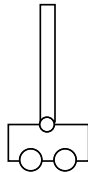
1. State-of-the-art (LQR-Trees 2009 RSS best paper, kNitro, SDPARA).
2. Convex Optimization (c/o relaxation) is ~ “online-able”



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## Viewing This From a Controls & Policy Perspective



**Core Idea:**  
Feedback motion planning (Assistance function) built from a prior model and updated online



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## Gain-Scheduled RRT

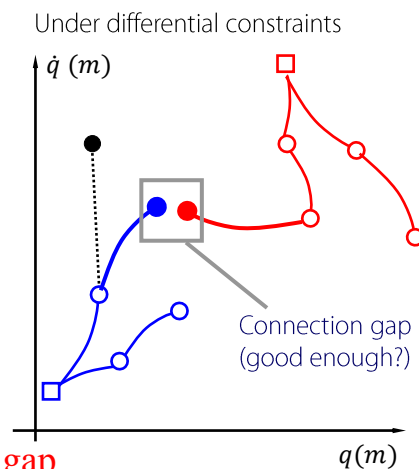
- Rapidly Exploring Random Trees (RRT) (Background):

**Features (+):**

1. Solve a control problem
2. Scalable
3. Constrained environments

**Concerns (--):**

4. Works poorly under differential constraints
5. Hard to avoid the connection gap

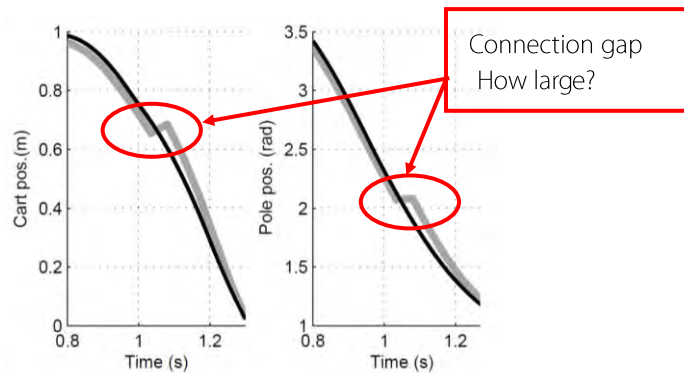


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## Gain-Scheduled RRT: RRT Connection Gap

- A RRT solution rarely reaches the goal (or connect the two trees) with zero error

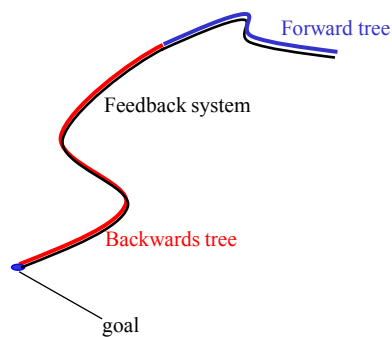


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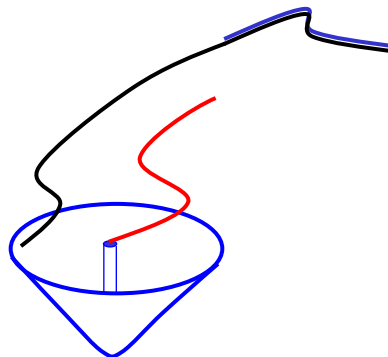
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## Gain-Scheduled RRT: Relaxing the Search

Single state search:  
Extensive exploration



Region search  
RRT connection is relaxed



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## Gain-Scheduled RRT: RoA & Verification

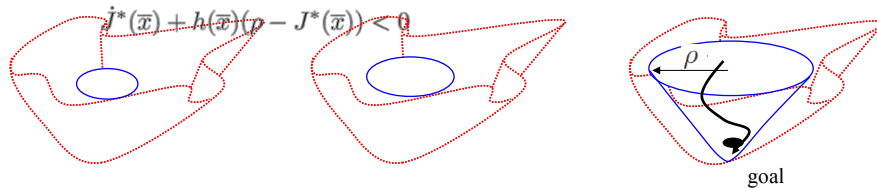
- Find a candidate

In the LQR case:  $J$ : optimal cost-to-go  $S$ : Algebraic Ricatti Eq.

$$V(x) \Rightarrow J^*(x_{goal} - x) = (x_{goal} - x)^T S (x_{goal} - x)$$

- 

Maximize candidate ( $\rho$ )



- Verify candidate

Sum of squares relaxation

$V(x)$  locally positive definite in  $B_\rho$

$\dot{V}(x)$  locally negative definite in  $B_\rho$

\*\*R. Tedrake, "LQR-Trees: Feedback Motion Planning on Sparse Randomized Trees", RSS 2009

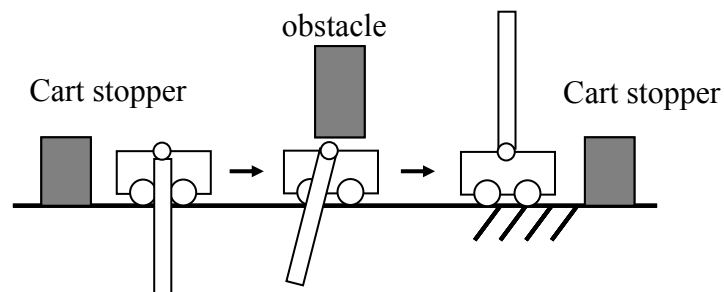


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## Gain-Scheduled RRT: Result

- Cart and pole in a cluttered workspace ...



Same initial and final conditions.

Every solution is different due to the random sampling



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## Gain-Scheduled RRT: Result



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Conclusion  
No one answer...  
Much left to do!

(it's not really magic ☺)

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## Autonomous Coin Sorting Robot Arm

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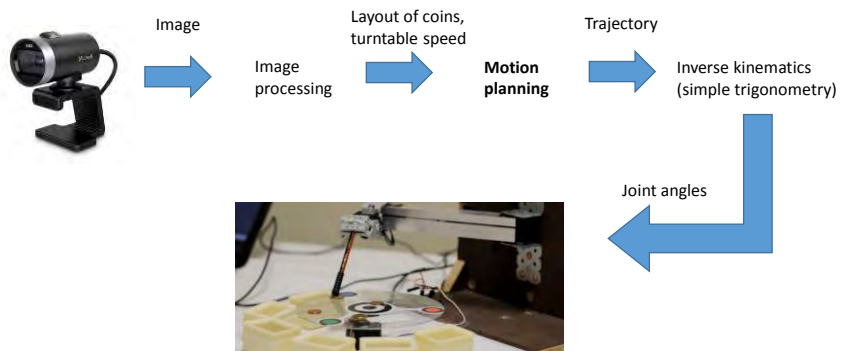


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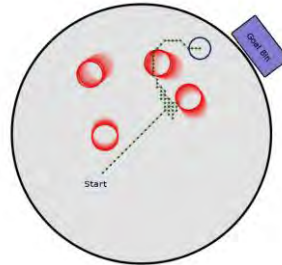
## Overview

- Task: sort coins on a moving turntable into bins
- Solution: difficult to pick coins up, so slide them off



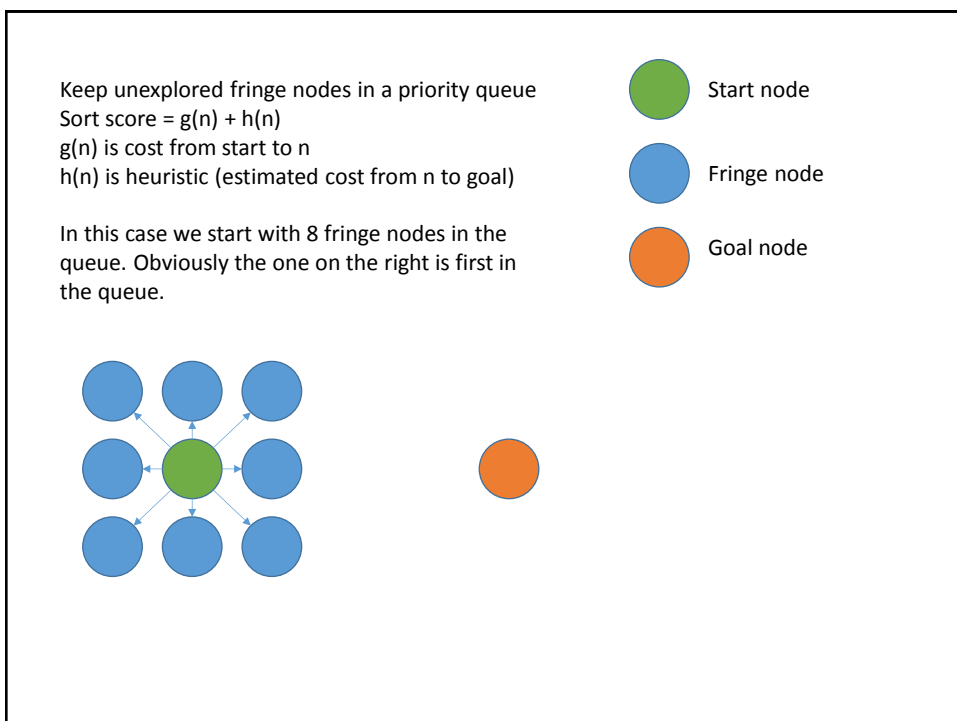
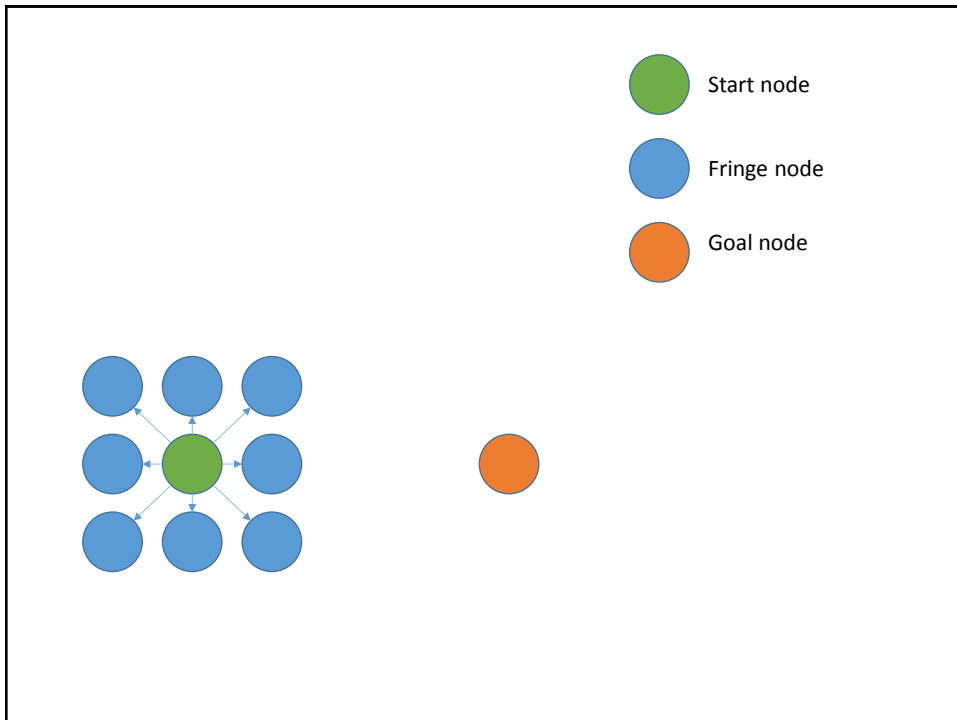
## Motion planning problem

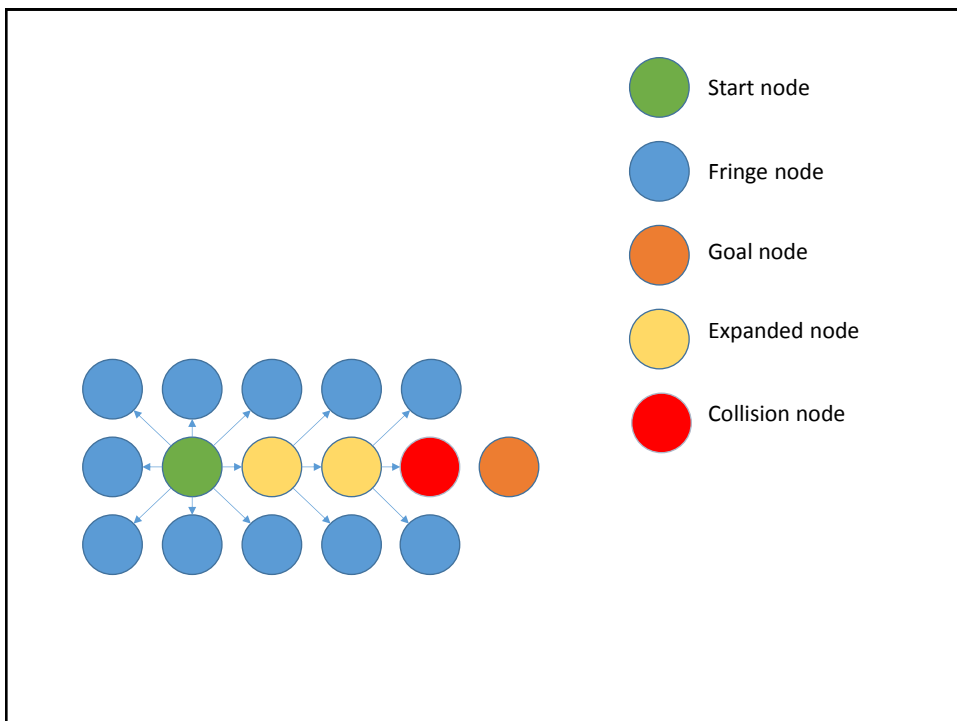
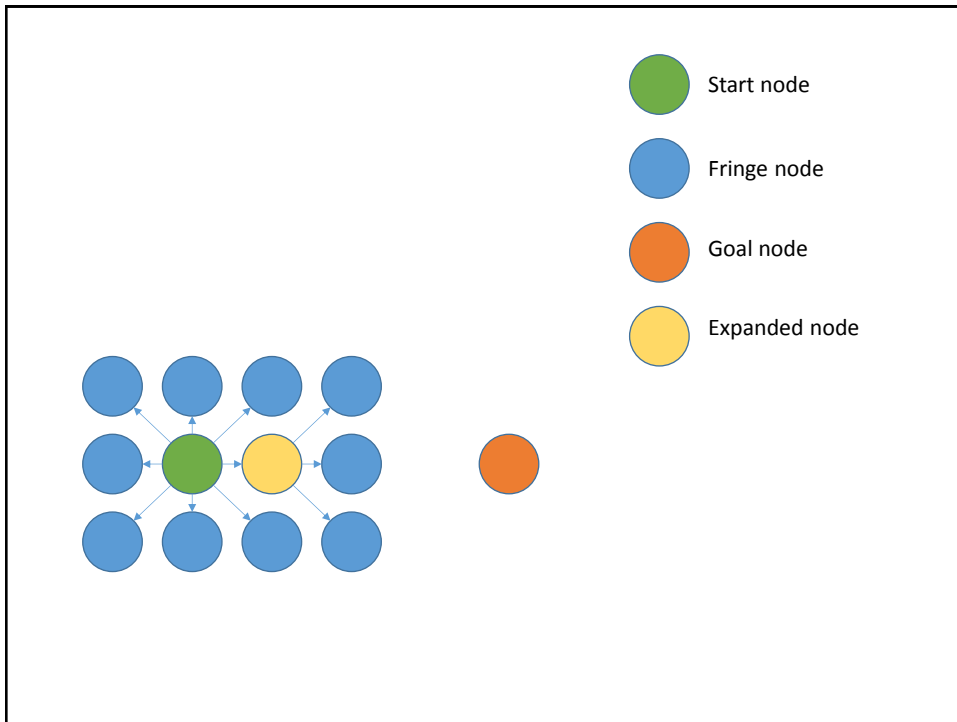
- Given a coin and its goal bin, what path can be taken
- Reference frame fixed on table  $\rightarrow$  other coins are moving obstacles
- We planned in a 3 dimensional state space:  $x, y, \text{time}$  (alternative is to plan in configuration space: joint angle 1, joint angle 2, time)

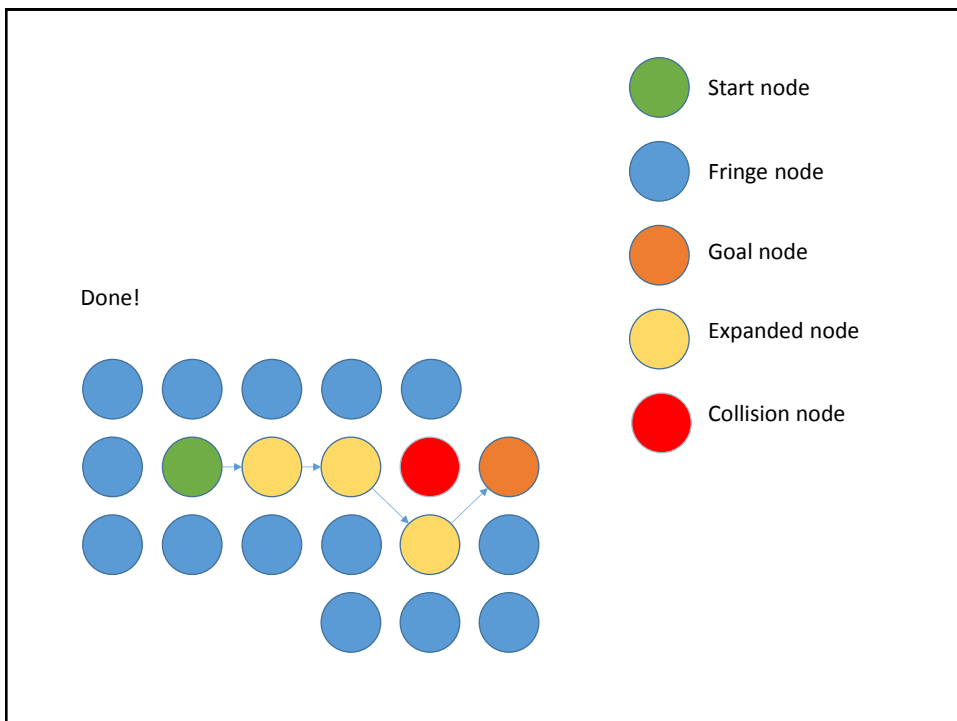
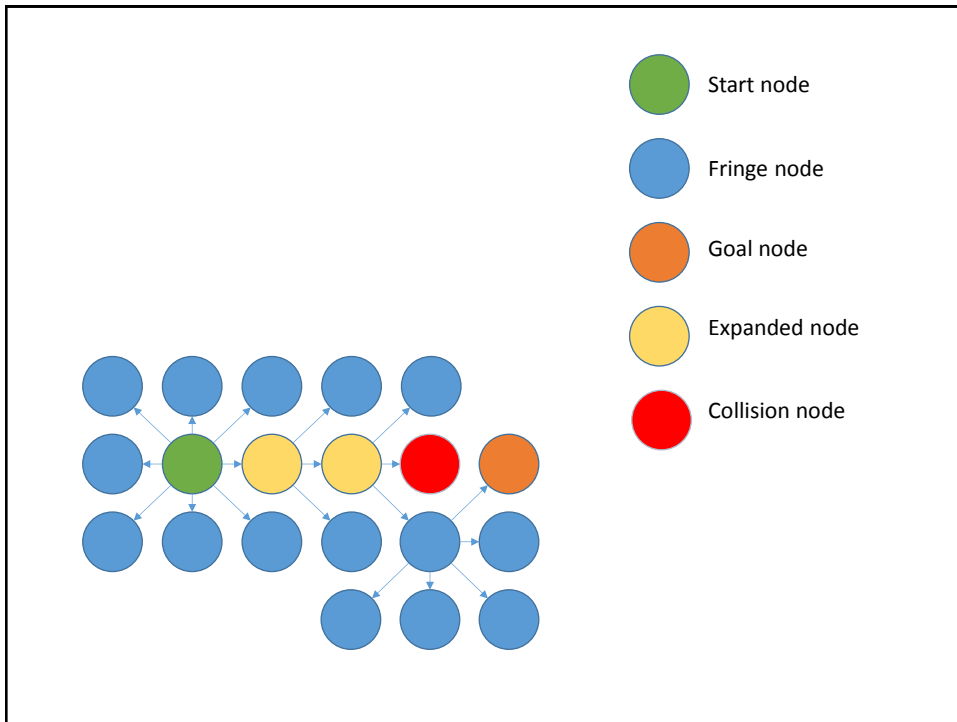


## Our simplified A\* path finding

- We slide the coin at a constant speed
- We discretised the state space into a grid (we can get away with this due to sparse obstacles)
- We check for collisions while exploring nodes instead of generating the entire map of valid nodes at the start







If grid discretisation isn't good enough:

Instead of grid, randomly sample a bunch of valid states e.g.

Probabilistic Roadmap (PRM)

Rapidly-exploring Random Tree (RRT)

Deciding on which coin to move first

- We used a greedy approach whereby we plan trajectories for every coin and pick the shortest trajectory.
- Estimate new positions of remaining coins (easy as we know turntable rotation speed and time required for the trajectory taken)
- Repeat





## The Future of Robotics/Automation & Course Review

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### Schedule of Events

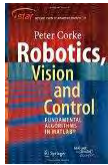
Week	Date	Lecture (W: 12:05-1:50, 50-N202)
1	27-Jul	Introduction
2	3-Aug	Representing Position & Orientation & State (Frames, Transformation Matrices & Affine Transformations)
3	10-Aug	Robot Kinematics Review (& <i>Ekka Day</i> )
4	17-Aug	Robot Inverse Kinematics & Kinetics
5	24-Aug	Robot Dynamics (Jacobians)
6	31-Aug	Robot Sensing: Perception & Linear Observers
7	7-Sep	Robot Sensing: Single View Geometry & Lines
8	14-Sep	Robot Sensing: Feature Detection
9	21-Sep	Robot Sensing: Multiple View Geometry
	28-Sep	<i>Study break</i>
10	5-Oct	Motion Planning
11	12-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Localization & SLAM
12	19-Oct	Probabilistic Robotics: Planning & Control (State-Space/Shaping the Dynamic Response/LQR)
13	26-Oct	<b>The Future of Robotics/Automation + Challenges &amp; Course Review</b>



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## Follow Along Reading:



[Robotics, Vision & Control](#)  
by [Peter Corke](#)

Also online: [SpringerLink](#)

[UQ Library eBook:](#)  
[364220144X](#)

Today

- Vision-Based Control
  - §15.1-15.3 (pp. 456-473)
- ➔ **Review** ⬅
- SLAM
  - pp. 123-4 (§6.4-6.5)

- Everything? ☺
  - Many references...

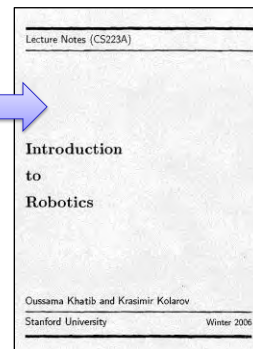
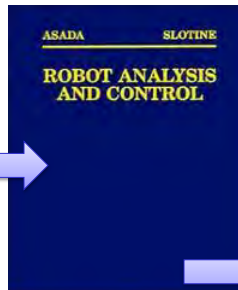
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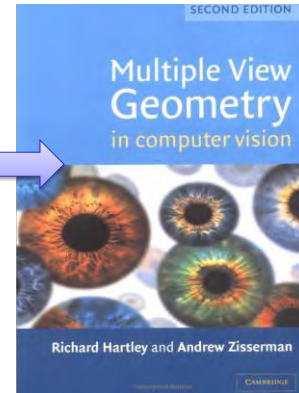
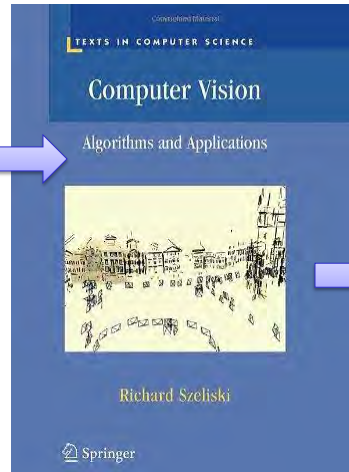
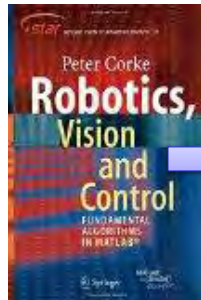
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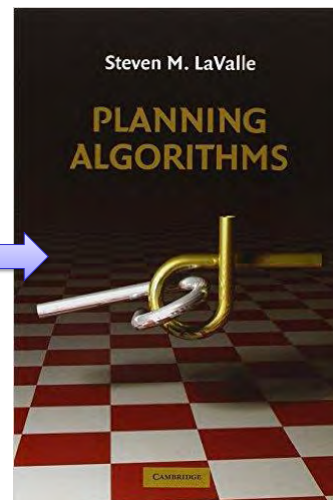
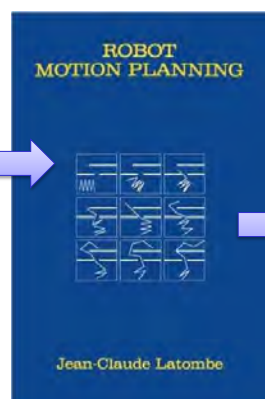
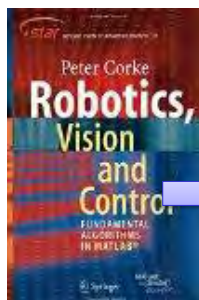
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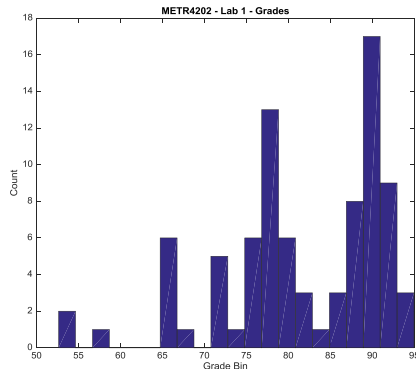
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## Grades!

- Lab 1



- MEAN: 82 | STD: 10
- MIN: 52 | MAX: 95
- MEDIAN: 83.5

- Lab 2

*Coming Soon!*

PS: For those who have not LAB 2 “PAF-ed” please do so by tonight! 😊



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## Some 2017 Robotics Thesis Topics

Projects (2017   RDL   S. Singh)	
ID	Title
1	Light Fields in Motion
2	Image Sensing and Control
3	One Sweet Robot
4	Remote Access CT imaging Laboratory for clinical skills education and training
5	Semi-Automatic Tracking of Athletes Diving using Pre-selected Keypoints
7	(RDL*) Dermatology Outback
8	Interactive Ball / Beeper Ball - Smart Tones
9	Affine Breathing: Tracking
10	Underactuated Robotics: Katita Walks The Line
11	Assistive Ultrasound Support
13	SuperResolve 3D [NEW]
14	<b>Privacy Preserving Roadmap Planning [NEW]</b>
15	Color My World (Art Meets Robotics) [NEW]
16	<b>Robots: In Play (Probabilistically) [NEW]</b>
17	Project with Sound and Hearing and Mechatronics [NEW]
18	<b>Biomedical Engineering Meets Robotics [NEW] [ARC DP co-funding]</b>
19	(Virtual) Robotics and Experimental Platform [NEW]
20	BYO Robot Project [NEW]



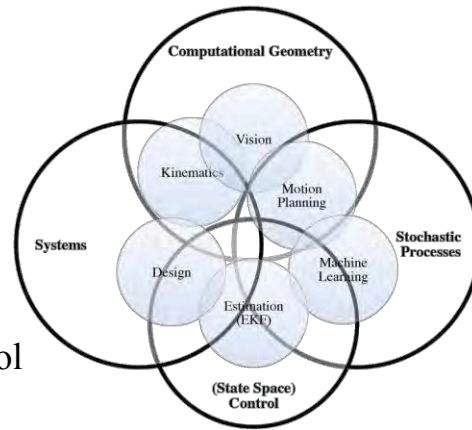
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## Learning Objectives

### Robotics: Facets of overarching principles

- Scene Geometry
- Structure | Unstructured
- Adaptive models for control
- Interactions:  
Deterministic | Probabilistic



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# Estimation

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## Along multiple dimensions



## State Space

- We collect our set of uncertain variables into a vector ...  
 $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N]^T$
- The set of values that  $\mathbf{x}$  might take on is termed the *state space*
- There is a *single* true value for  $\mathbf{x}$ , but it is unknown



## State Space Dynamics

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}$$

$$H(s) = \mathbf{C}(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B}$$



## Measured versus True

- Measurement errors are inevitable
- So, add Noise to State...
  - State Dynamics be  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w}$   
 $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$
- Can represent this as a “Normal” Distribution

$$\mathcal{N}(x; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$





## Recovering The Truth

- Numerous methods
- Termed “Estimation” because we are trying to estimate the truth from the signal
- A strategy discovered by Gauss
- Least Squares in Matrix Representation

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_0 \\ p_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_1^n t_i \\ \sum_1^n t_i & \sum_1^n t_i^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_1^n z_i \\ \sum_1^n t_i z_i \end{bmatrix}$$



## Recovering the Truth: Terminology

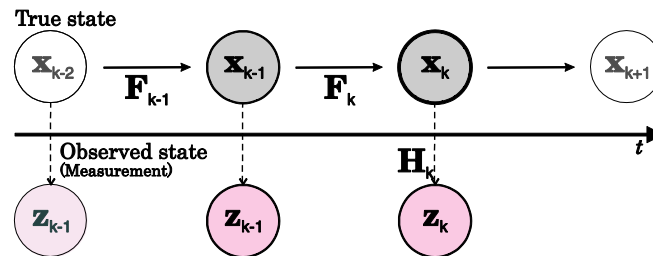
$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w}$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{v}$$

- $\mathbf{x}$  : the state vector
- $\mathbf{x}_{A|B}$  : the state of  $\mathbf{x}$  at time  $A$  based on data taken up to time  $B$
- $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  : estimate of the true state vector
- $\mathbf{F}$  : system dynamics matrix in continuous time (equivalent to  $\mathbf{A}$  in Eq. 1)
- $\mathbf{G}$  : system control matrix relating deterministic input,  $\mathbf{u}$ , to the state (equivalent to  $\mathbf{B}$  in Eq. 1)
- $\mathbf{H}$  : measurement matrix in continuous time (equivalent to  $\mathbf{C}$  in Eq. 2)
- $\mathbf{F}_i$  : system model in **discrete** time at  $t = t_i$
- $\mathbf{H}_i$  : measurement model in **discrete** time at  $t = t_i$
- $\mathbf{P}_i$  : estimate covariance in **discrete** time at  $t = t_i$
- $\mathbf{w}$  : process uncertainty (noise) vector (of type  $\mathcal{N}(0, s)$ )
- $\mathbf{Q}$  : process noise matrix,  $\mathbf{Q} = E[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T]$
- $\mathbf{Q}_i$  :  $\mathbf{Q}$  in discrete time at  $t = t_i$
- $\mathbf{v}$  : measurement noise vectors (of type  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma)$ )
- $\mathbf{R}_i$  : the measurement variance matrix,  $\mathbf{R} = E[\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^T]$ , in discrete time at  $t = t_i$



## General Problem...

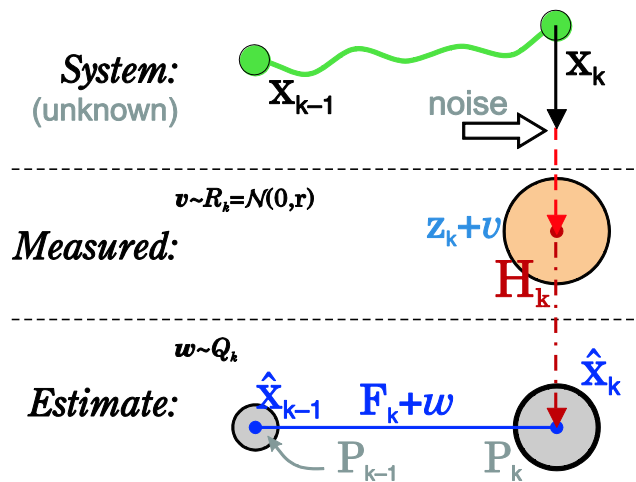


## Duals and Dual Terminology

	Estimation		Control
Model:	$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}$ (discrete: $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F}_k\mathbf{x}$ )	$\leftrightarrow$	$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ , $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{F}^1$
Regulates:	$\mathbf{P}$ (covariance)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\mathbf{M}$ (performance matrix)
Minimized function:	$\mathbf{Q}$ (or $\mathbf{G}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{G}^1$ )	$\leftrightarrow$	$\mathbf{V}$
Optimal Gain:	$\mathbf{K}$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\mathbf{G}$
Completeness law:	Observability	$\leftrightarrow$	Controllability



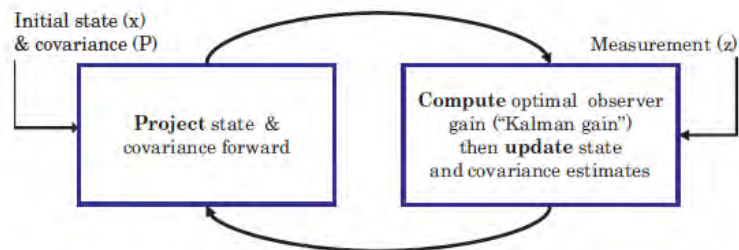
## Estimation Process in Pictures



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## Kalman Filter Process



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## KF Process in Equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Prediction: } \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{F}_{k-1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1|k-1}, & (\text{state prediction}) \\
 \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{Q}_{k-1} + \mathbf{F}_{k-1} \mathbf{P}_{k-1|k-1} \mathbf{F}_{k-1}^T, & (\text{covariance prediction}) \\
 \text{Kalman Gain: } \mathbf{K}_k &= \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}^T [\mathbf{H} \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}^T + \mathbf{R}_k]^{-1}, \\
 \text{Update: } \mathbf{P}_{k|k} &= [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{H}] \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}, & (\text{covariance update}) \\
 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k} &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k (\mathbf{z}_k - \mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1}) & (\text{state update})
 \end{aligned}$$



## KF Considerations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underbrace{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1}}_{n \times 1} &= \underbrace{\mathbf{F}_{k-1}}_{n \times n} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1|k-1} + \underbrace{\mathbf{G}_{k-1}}_{n \times j} \underbrace{\mathbf{u}_{k-1}}_{j \times 1} \\
 \underbrace{\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}}_{n \times n} &= \underbrace{\mathbf{Q}_{k-1}}_{n \times n} + \mathbf{F}_{k-1} \mathbf{P}_{k-1|k-1} \mathbf{F}_{k-1}^T \\
 \underbrace{\mathbf{K}_k}_{n \times m} &= \underbrace{\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}}_{n \times n} \underbrace{\mathbf{H}^T}_{n \times m} \underbrace{[\mathbf{H} \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}^T + \mathbf{R}_k]^{-1}}_{m \times m} \\
 \mathbf{P}_{k|k} &= [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{H}] \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \\
 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k} &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k \left( \underbrace{\mathbf{z}_k}_{m \times 1} - \underbrace{\mathbf{H}}_{m \times n} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} - \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{u}_{k-1} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$



## Ex: Kinematic KF: Tracking

- Consider a System with Constant Acceleration

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{y} &= -g \\ \dot{y} &= gt + p_1 \\ y &= p_0 + p_1 t + \frac{gt^2}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{y} \\ \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ g \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{F}_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & t_s & \frac{t_s^2}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & t_s \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k = \mathbf{F}_{k-1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k (\mathbf{z}_k - \mathbf{H} \mathbf{F}_{k-1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1})$$



## In Summary

- KF:
  - The true state ( $x$ ) is separate from the measured ( $z$ )
  - Lets you **combine** prior controls knowledge with measurements to filter signals and find the truth
  - It **regulates** the covariance ( $P$ )
    - As  $P$  is the scatter between  $z$  and  $x$
    - So, if  $P \rightarrow 0$ , then  $z \rightarrow x$  (measurements  $\rightarrow$  truth)
- EKF:
  - Takes a Taylor series approximation to get a local “F” (and “G” and “H”)



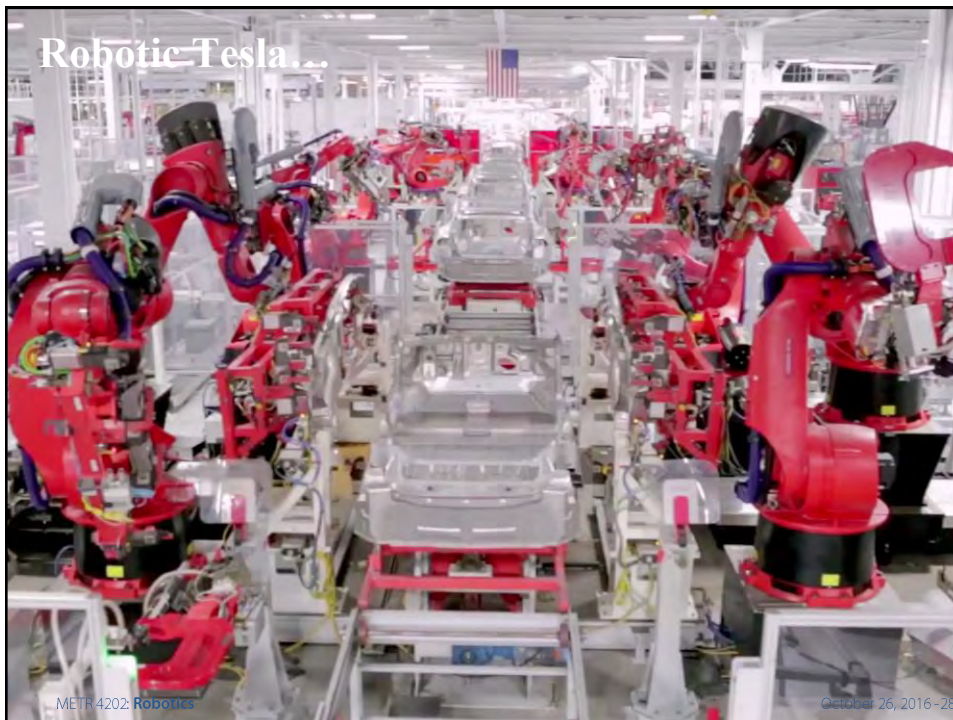
# Future of Robotics

(Self-Driving Vehicles)

(Notes from Prof. John Leonard, MIT)

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## Other Robotic Tesla...



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## Cars: Software/Robots With 4 Wheels



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## Robotics & Automation Has Limits Too



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## More to Dynamic “Obstacles” than one’s own Control... Ethics in Engineering



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Q: Why has Google has chosen to exclusively pursue level 4?

A: They don't trust people to pay attention



t=41.56: "people do really stupid stuff when they are driving...it isn't pretty. The assumption that humans can be a reliable backup for the system was a total fallacy. Once people trust the system, they trust it"

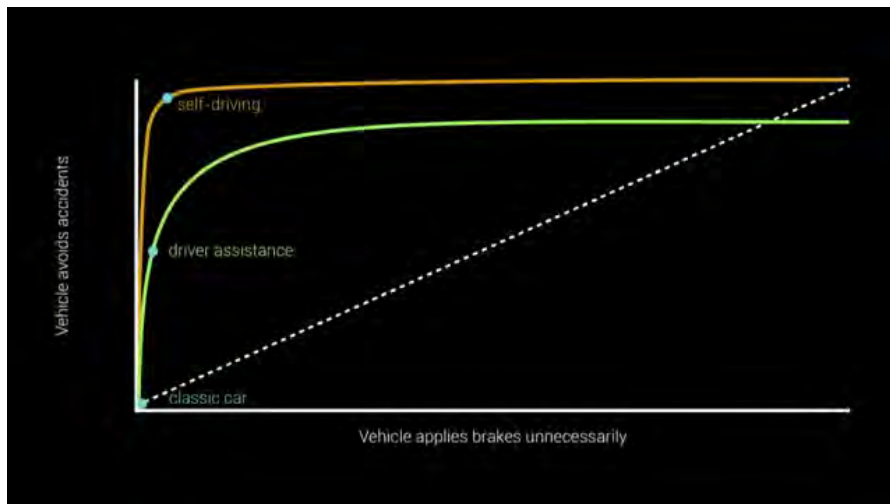


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Astro Teller, Head of GoogleX, March 2015

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“Vehicle Avoids Accidents” vs.  
“Vehicles Applies Brakes Unnecessarily”



Chris Urmson Keynote Address at the Intelligent Transportation Systems 25th Annual Meeting & Expo, Pittsburgh, May 2015



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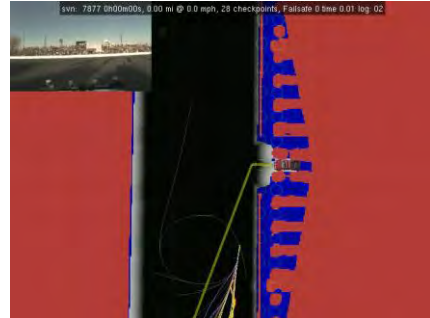
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Google has hired Detroit veteran John Krafcik to run its self-driving car division, sending a message that it is serious about the commercial viability of the autonomous vehicles business. Photo: Zuma Press

*“When the company wanted a team of roboticists, it raided a University Lab to get them. Can high-tech academia survive today's Silicon Valley talent binge?”*

## MIT DARPA Urban Challenge Team (2006-2007)

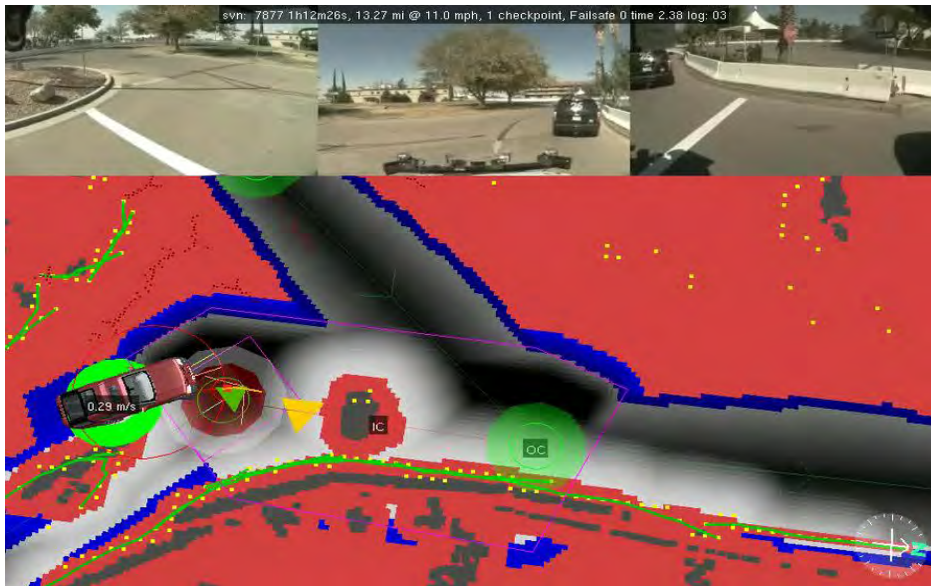


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Leonard et al., JFR 2008 ; Karaman and Frazzoli, IJRR 2011; Huang et al., AR 2009

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## 2007 DARPA Urban Challenge Collision between MIT and Cornell

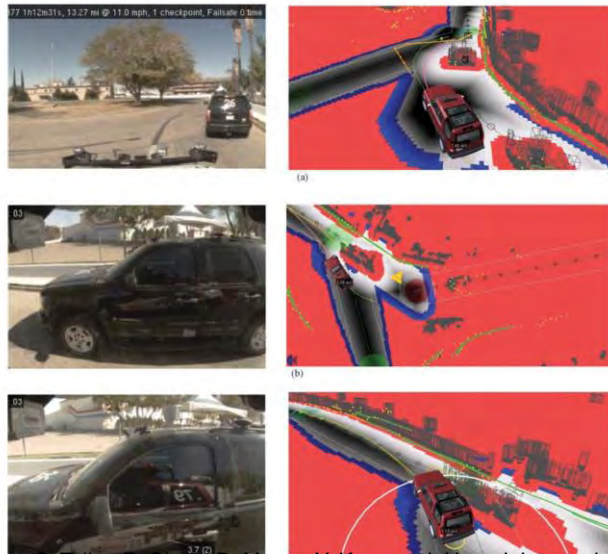


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L. Fletcher, S. Teller, E. Olson, D. Moore, Y. Kuwata, J. How, J. Leonard, I. Miller, M. Campbell, D. Huttenlocher, and others, "The MIT–Cornell collision and why it happened." In *Journal of Field Robotics*, 25(10), pages 775-807. 2008.



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From Prof. Ed Olson (Umich): The logic of whether to represent an "obstacle" as a track (i.e., something with velocity) or as a blob, was this (relevant part is highlighted):

```
int use_track = 0, use_rects = 1;
//      if (t->vmag > 4)
//          use_rects = 0;

if (t->vmag > 3.0 && t->maturity > 8)
    use_track = 1;
double MAX_DIM = 10;
if (t->box.size[0] > MAX_DIM || t->box.size[1] > MAX_DIM)
    use_track = 0;
```

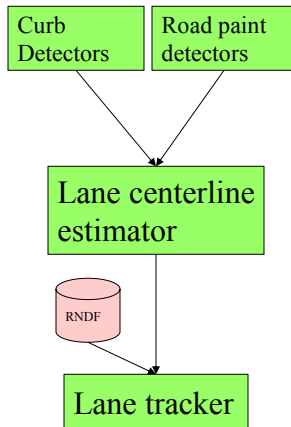


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## Lane Estimation (PhD Thesis of Albert Huang, supervised by Prof. Seth Teller)



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## 2015: Self-Driving Vehicles Have a Perception Problem



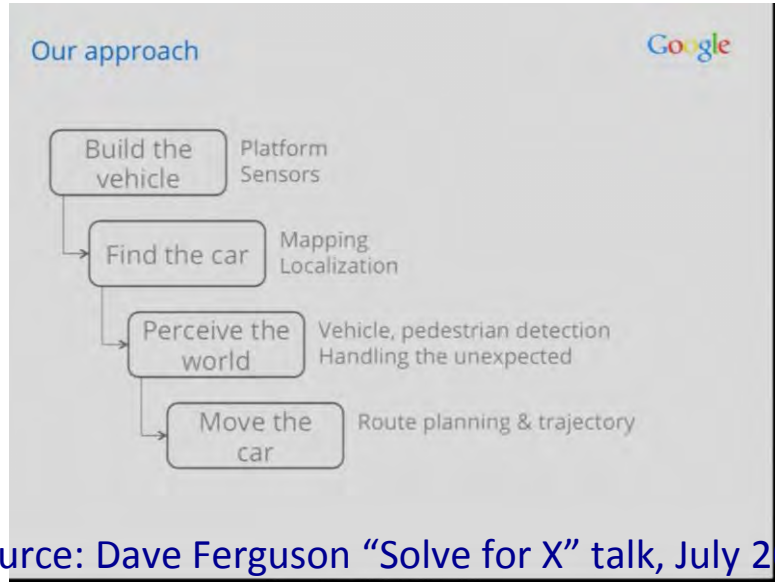
- The Google Car is an amazing research project that might one day transform mobility
- The technology of the Google Car, however, has been over-hyped and is poorly misunderstood
- This has led many people to say that self-driving is a “solved” problem
- “Just because it works for Google”, doesn’t mean it will work for everyone else



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## How Does Google's Self Driving Car Work?



Source: Dave Ferguson "Solve for X" talk, July 2013

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KA\\_C6OpL\\_Ao](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KA_C6OpL_Ao)



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## Google: Lidar Localization with an a priori map



<https://plus.google.com/+GoogleSelfDrivingCars/videos>



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## SDVs: The Big Questions Going Forward

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- The big question for Level 4 approaches? (i.e., Urmson)
- Can near-perfect ROC curves be obtained in a wide variety of demanding settings?



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- Robust Computer Vision (towards PD=1.0, PFA = 0.0)?
- The big question for Level 3 approaches? (i.e., Musk)
- Can humans be trusted to take control when necessary?
- The big question for Level 4 approaches? (i.e., Urmson)
- Can near-perfect ROC curves be obtained in a wide variety of demanding settings?
- Level 2.99 – Hidden Autonomy (Human must pay attention, but autonomy will jump in to prevent accidents)





## Summary – Self-Driving Vehicles

- Transformative technology that can/will change the world, but many open questions
- Hope for reducing accidents and saving lives
- Admiration for Google’s audacious vision and amazing progress
- Impressed by recent efforts by auto manufacturers
- Pride for the robotics community’s contributions
- Fear that the technology is being over-hyped
- Uncertainty about open technological challenges, such as:
  - left-turn across high-speed traffic onto busy roads
  - Interpretation of gestures by traffic cops, crossing guards etc
  - Effect of changes in road surface appearance on map-based localization
  - Capability to “predict what will happen next” in demanding situations
  - Operations in adverse weather



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Move Heaven & Earth

## “Field Arm” Motion Generation



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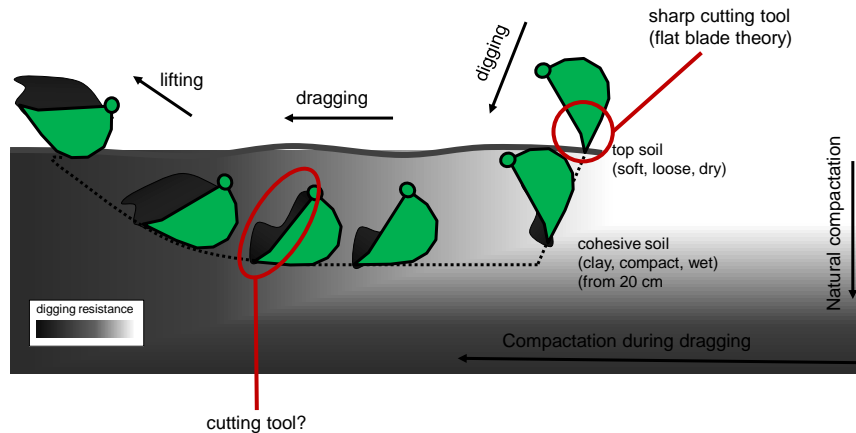
## Terrain is Not “Structured,” But It’s Not Random...



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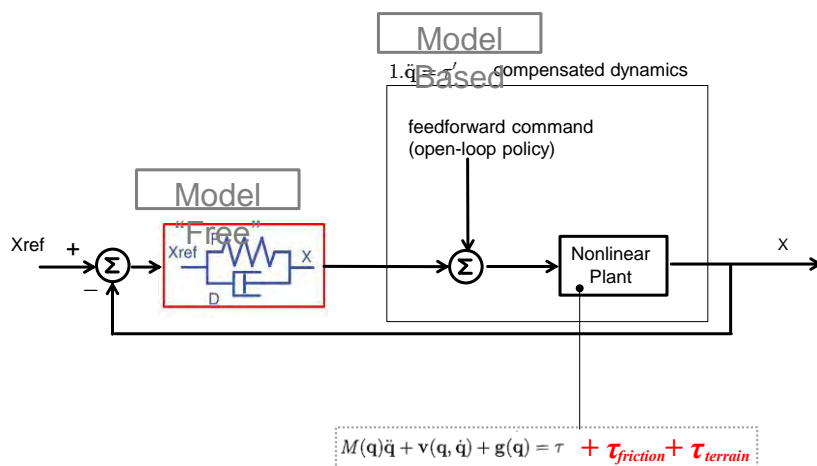
## Excavation as Terrain Manipulation



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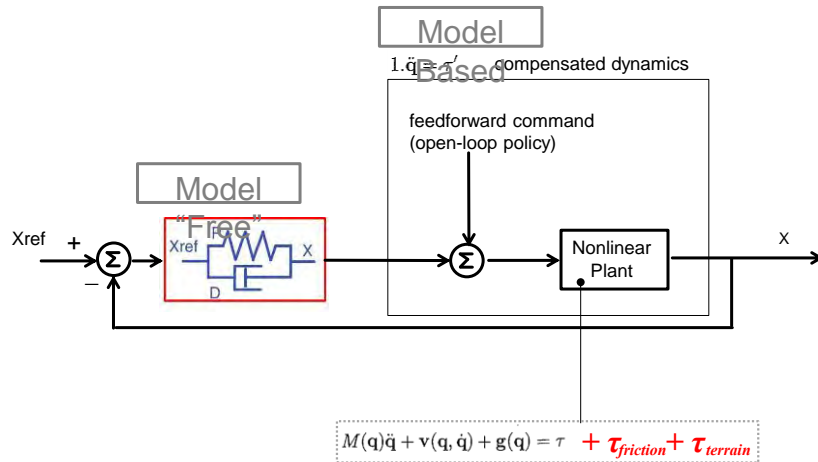
## Operation Space (Computed Torque) (2 DOF Example)



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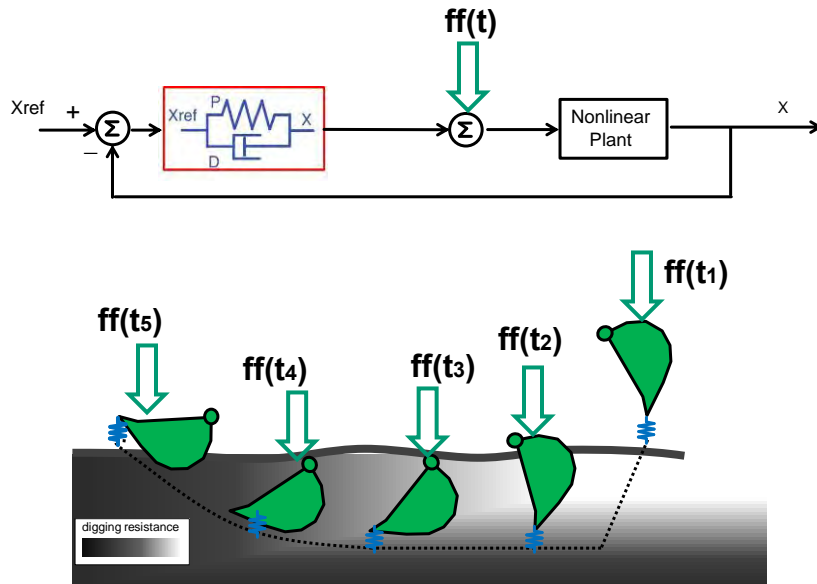
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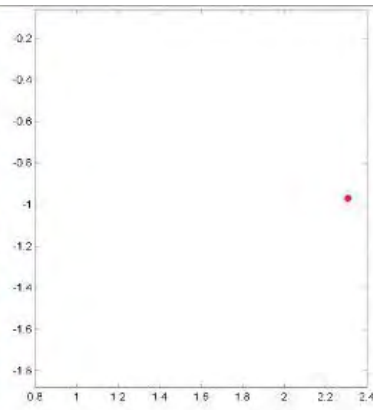
## Reminder: Compensated Manipulation



Thus for Excavation ...



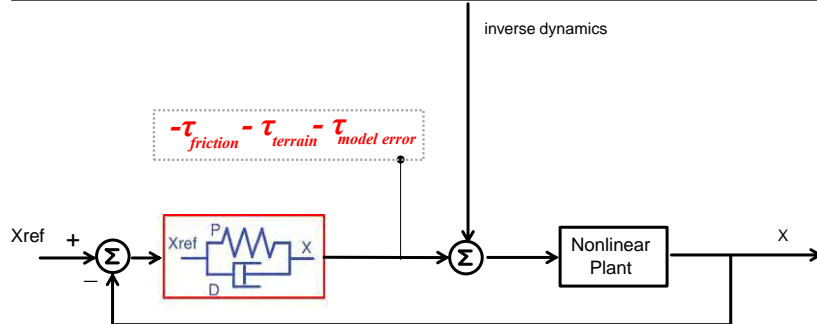
## Manipulation under Large Disturbances



# Inverse Dynamics is Not Trivial

Inverse dynamics helps, but performance is dependent on model structure and parameter identification

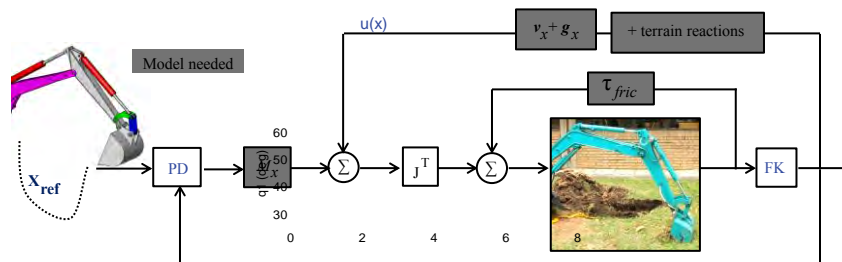
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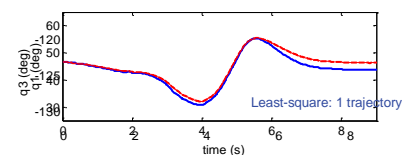
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## Local Compensation



- Modelling globally is hard
- Local models are easy, but can destabilize

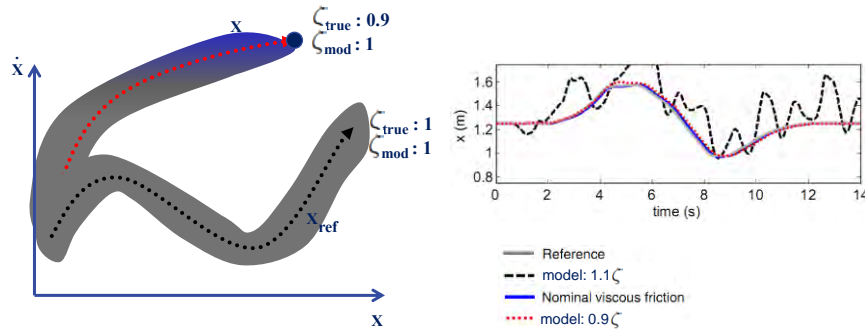


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## Local model + Disturbance = **Wrong Compensation**

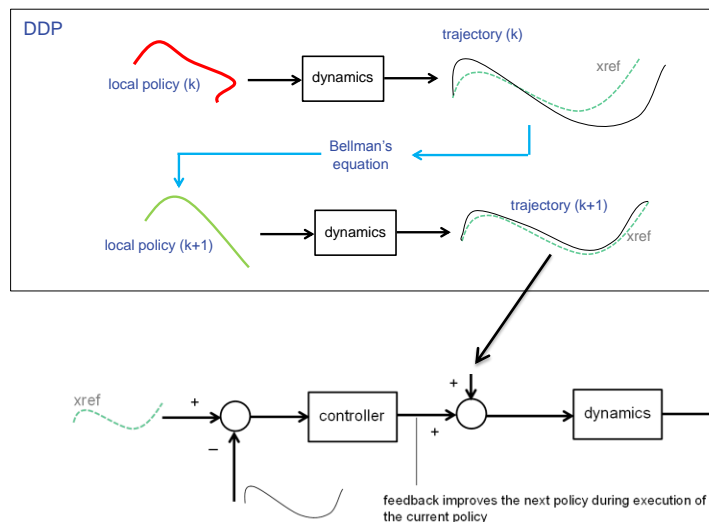
- Unless tracking is perfect, a state that is far from  $\mathbf{x}_{\text{ref}}$  will require a different model



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## Model Updating & Iterative Tracking...



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## Pay Dirt!



Clay friction

Broken red bricks

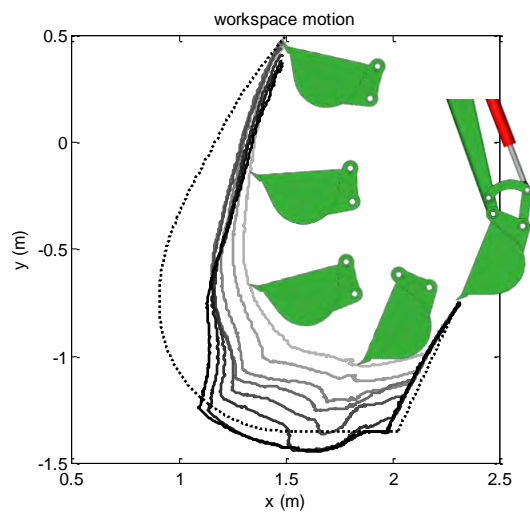
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## Pay Dirt: Looking at Trajectories

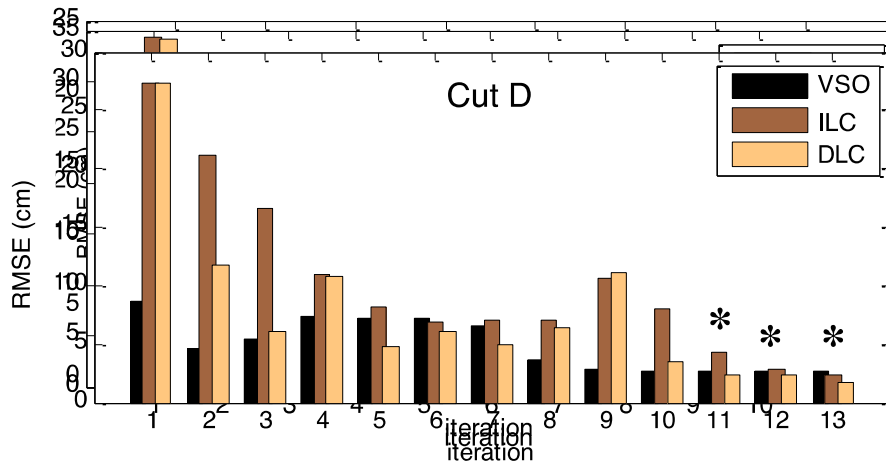


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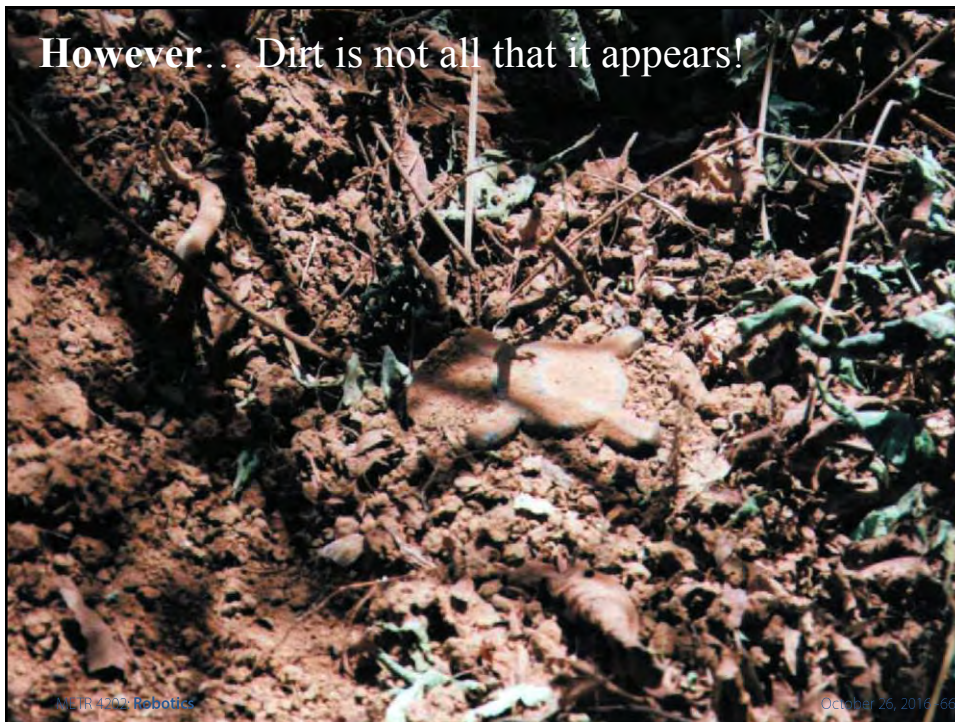
## Pay Dirt: Looking at Trajectories



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However... Dirt is not all that it appears!



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## Medical Robotics

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## Conclusion and Future Research Challenges

*“Soft” robots yield “hard” problems*

### Goals:

- My dream is to achieve dynamic motion, **particularly of compliant systems under feedback.**
- To *adapt & learn* in highly dynamic environments
- Can we robustly integrate continuous planning/control with continuum mechanics to extend our reach

### Open Questions:

- Robustness – we would love to have guarantees of performance, but we do not have them for most approaches
- Representation – how can we integrate many different types?
- We need dynamic understanding and robust control (recent work in computer vision/machine learning is exciting, but current precision-recall curves indicate we have a long way to go)

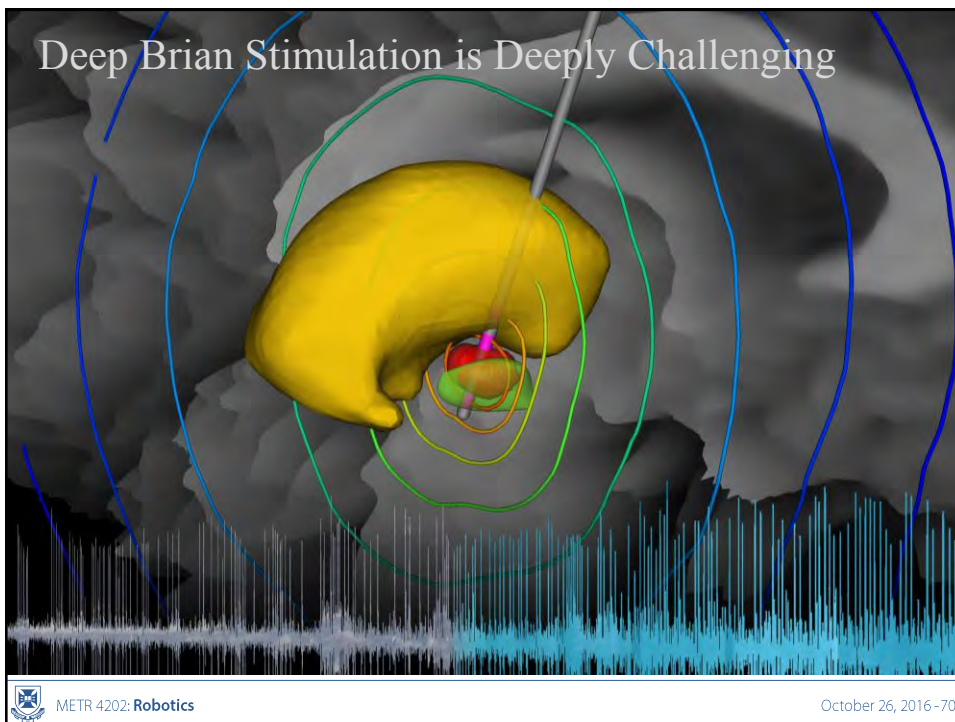
### Clinically-motivated applications:

- **Surgical robotics** and guided therapeutic techniques



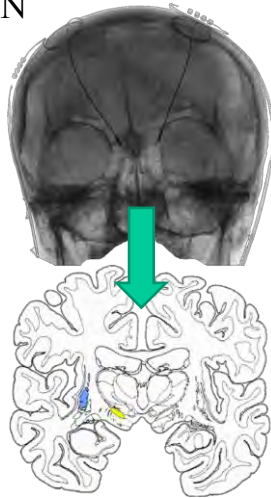
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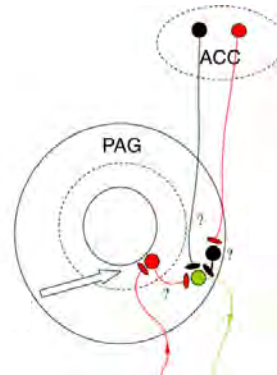


## Accuracy is *sine qua non*

- STN



- PAG



Source: Nauta, Feirtag, and Donner, *Fundamental Neuroanatomy*, Freeman, 1986



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## Accuracy is *sine qua non*

- Accuracy of Frame Based Stereotactic Placement via CT/MRI Comparison



Source: Holloway, Docef, *Neurosurgery* 72[ONS Suppl 1]:ons47–ons57, 2013

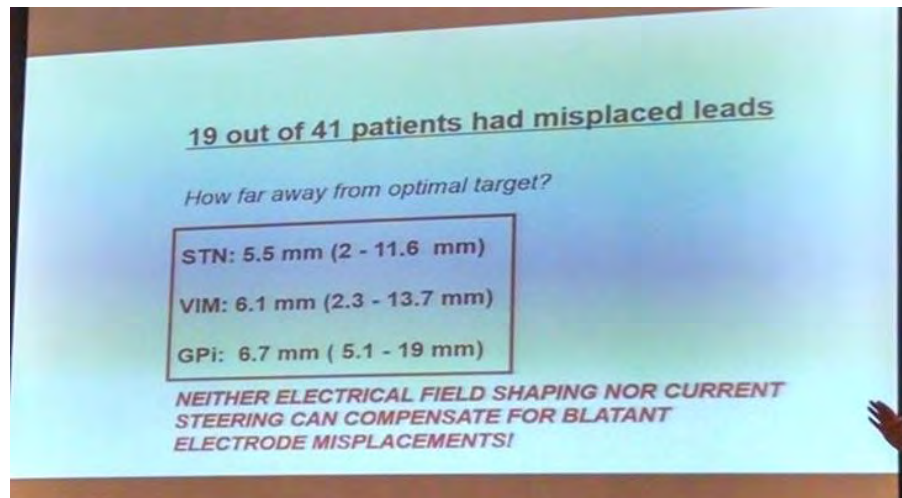


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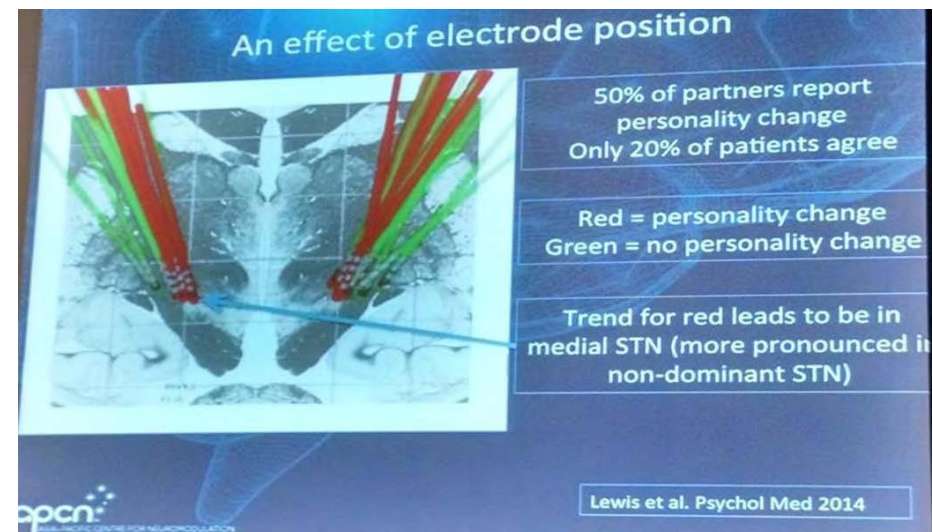
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## DBS Targeting is Hard



## It has consequences...



## Computer Aided Surgery: Lots of Potential



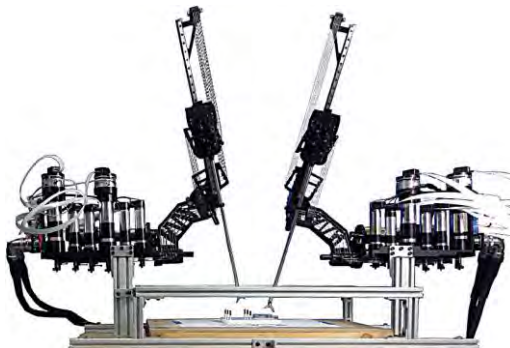
- Unstructured environment (patient tissue) makes this harder



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## Neurosurgical Robotics

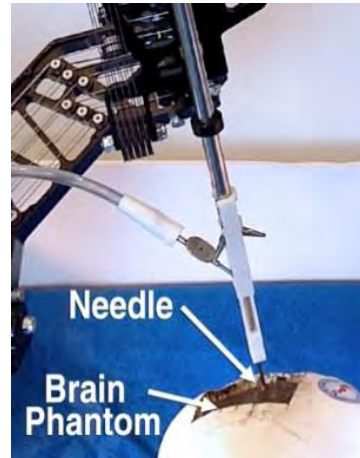
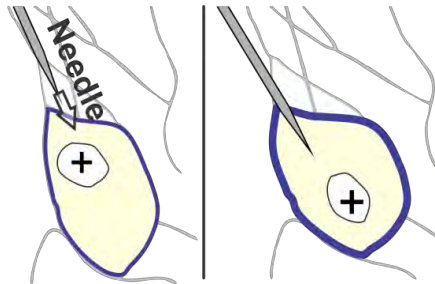


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## Neurosurgical Robotics:

- **Biomechanics approach:**  
Predict expected tissue trajectories



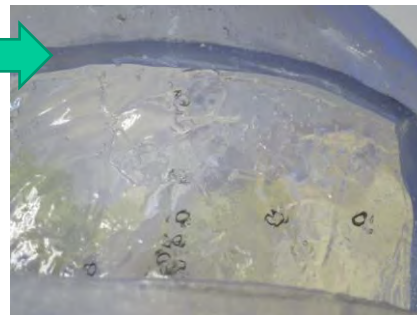
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**“Soft” is “Hard” (but not impossible)**



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➔ Many Issues: Including Craniotomy Induced Brain Shift

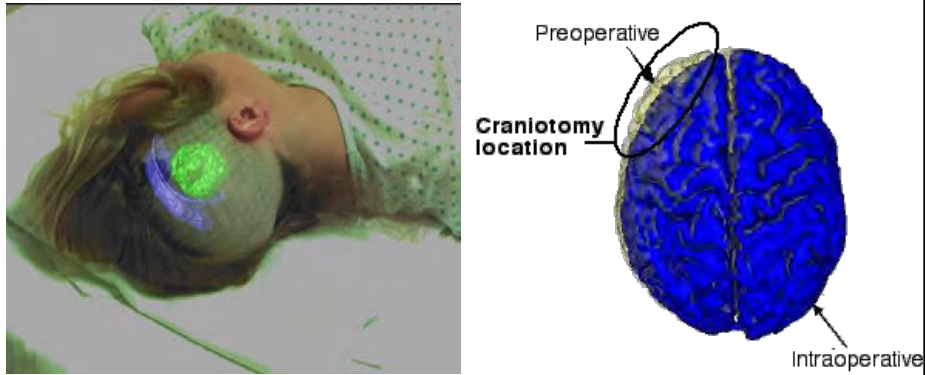


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## Soft Tissue Mechanics: Brain Shift/Brain Sag

Ex: Image-guided neurosurgery



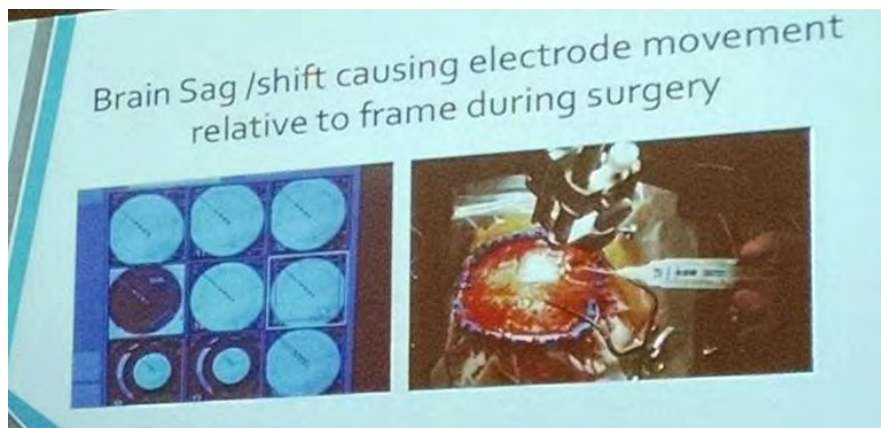
Courtesy: SPL, Harvard



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## Brain Shift Identified in Neurosurgery Community

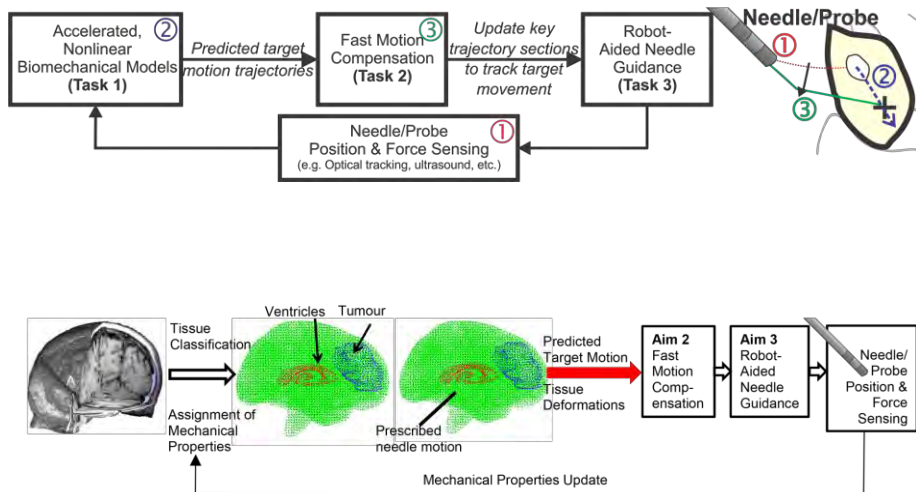


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## A Robotic “Plan”: Handling Brain Shift

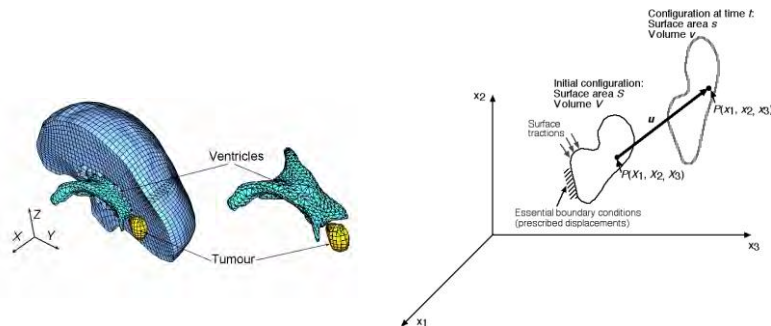


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## Treating Brain Shift Mechanically

- Post this as a Biomechanics Problem
- Non-linear Continuum Mechanics Problem



$$\int_V \tau_{ij} \delta \varepsilon_{ij} dV = \int_V f_i^B \delta u_i dV + \int_S f_i^S \delta u_i dS$$



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## Qualitative Evaluation – Canny Edges



Biomechanics



BSpline

Red contours –  
Intra-operative

Blue contours –  
Warped pre-operative

Green contours –  
Overlap

Mostayed et al. (2013) *Annals of Biomed. Eng.* 41(11), 2409-2425

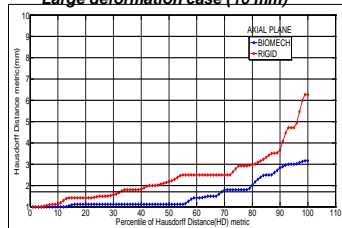


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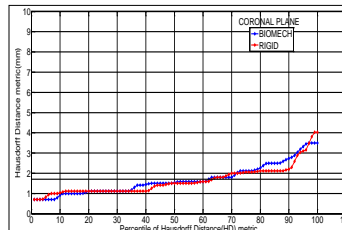
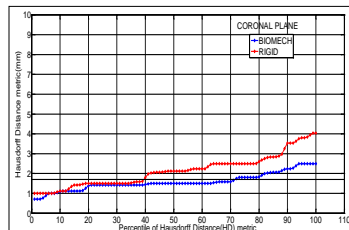
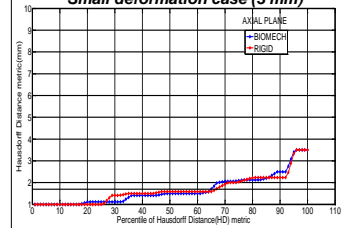
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## Comparison: Hausdorff Distance Metric

Large deformation case (10 mm)



Small deformation case (3 mm)



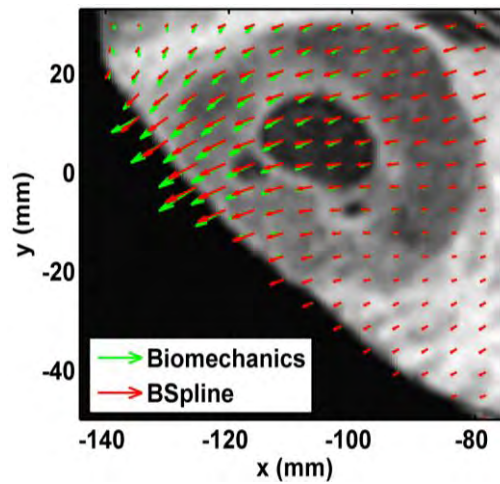
- Comparison of Biomechanics-based & rigid registrations



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## Qualitative Evaluation: Deformation Field



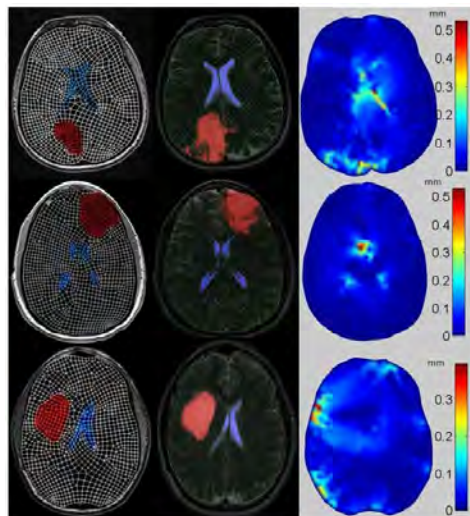
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## Accuracy for Mesh-free Models



**Left:** Finite Element Models

**Middle:** Fuzzy Mesh-free Model

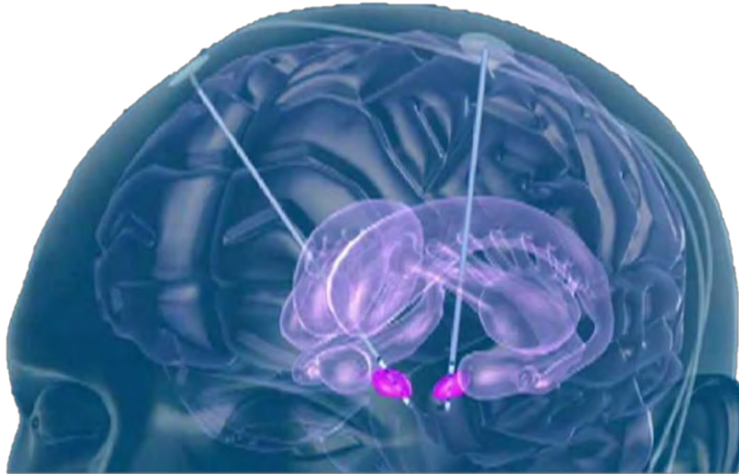
**Right :** Difference of the simulation results



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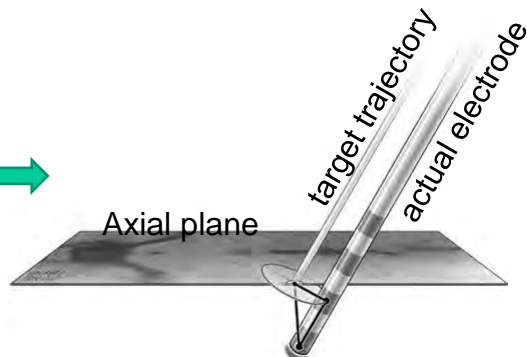
## Targeting: We Already Do Careful Preoperative Planning



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## The Best Laid Plans ...



Source: Burchiel, McCartney, *et al.*, *J Neurosurg* 119:301-306, 2013

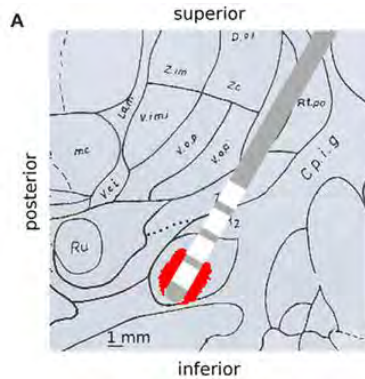


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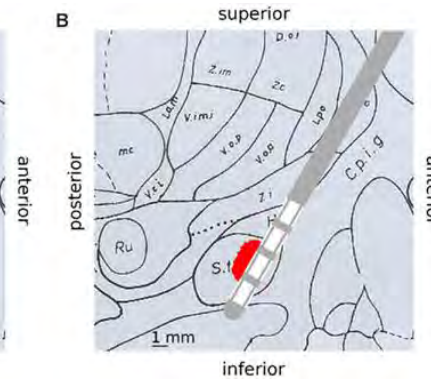
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## Does This Suggest Steering/Path Correction?

- Plan:



- Result:



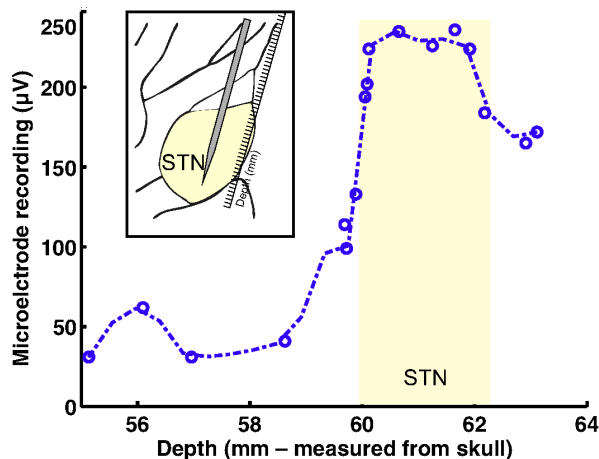
- Stereotactic (Leksell) frames alone are not enough...
- Brain Shift, Compliance, Drift, etc.



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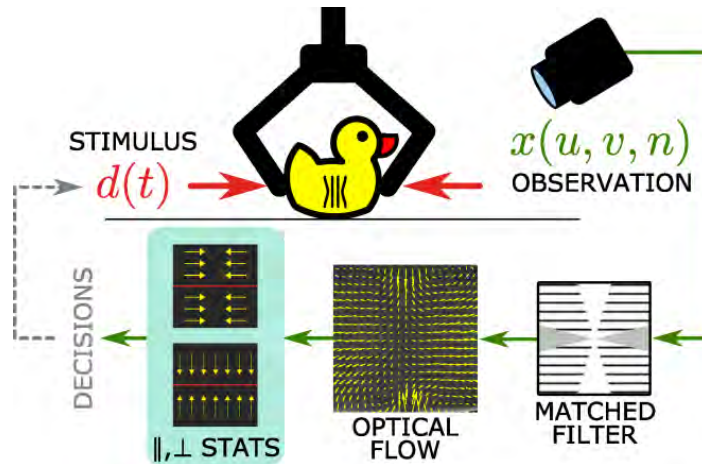
## In-Vivo Feedback: Incorporating MER Incorporating tissue signal signatures



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## What's Next? Incorporating Stiffness: Visual Deformable Object Analysis



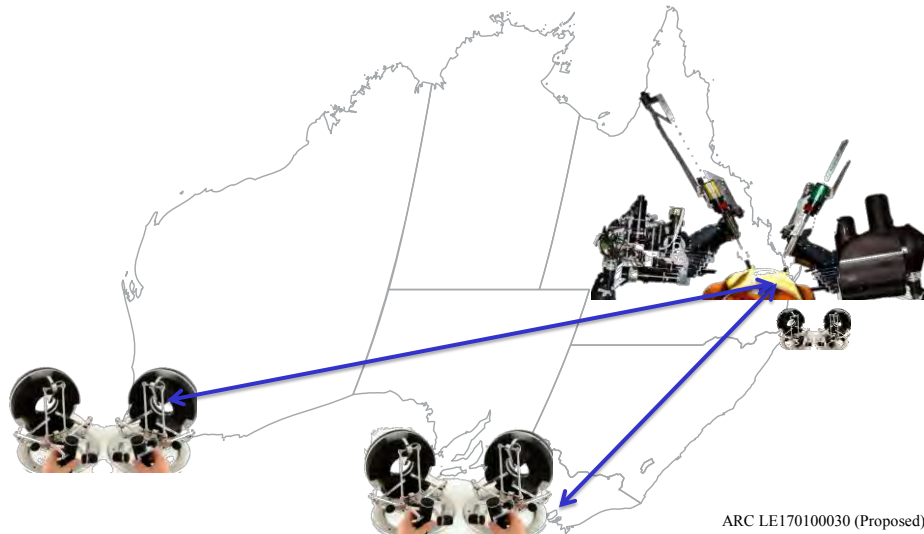
Dansereau, Singh, Leitner, *ICRA 2016*



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## What's Next: Open Access Robotics Infrastructure for High-Fidelity Telesurgical Research



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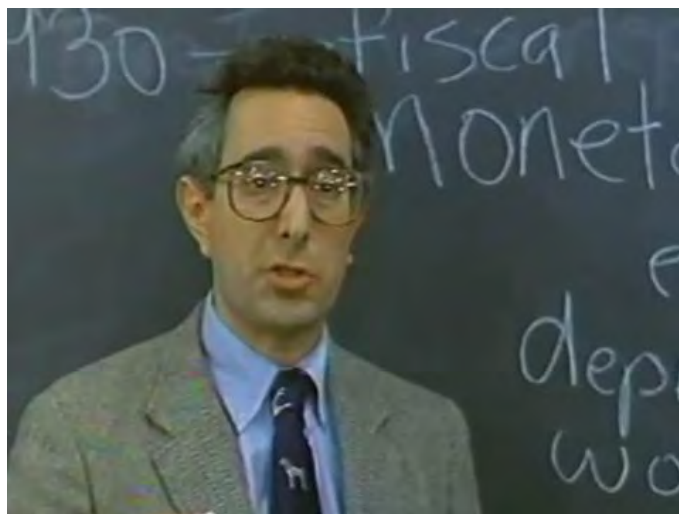


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## “4” Is Average

- What is a 3?



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## SECaTs: Some Lessons in the Works for Next Year

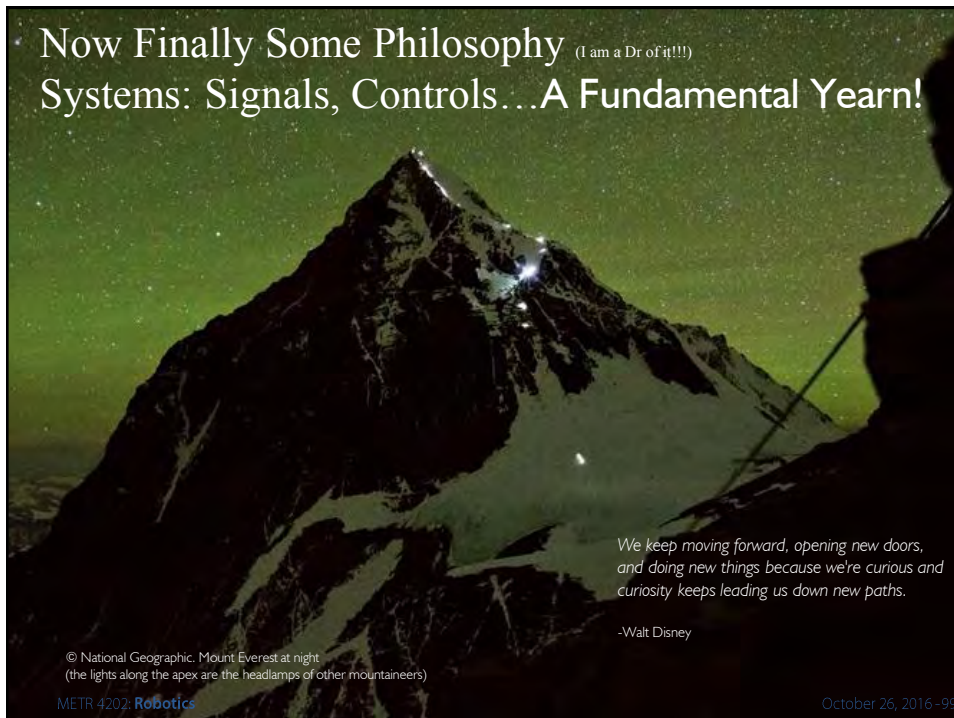
- I shall only use my own slides
- Less is more!
  - Smaller assignments
  - More time for Examples
- Better organization
  - Better tutorials
  - More examples!!
  - I get that. But, we've come a long way

➔ To make this happen I need your support!



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Now Finally Some Philosophy (I am a Dr of it!!!)  
Systems: Signals, Controls...A Fundamental Yearn!

*We keep moving forward, opening new doors,  
and doing new things because we're curious and  
curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.*

-Walt Disney

© National Geographic. Mount Everest at night  
(the lights along the apex are the headlamps of other mountaineers)

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