

Inverse Kinematics

From Position to Angles

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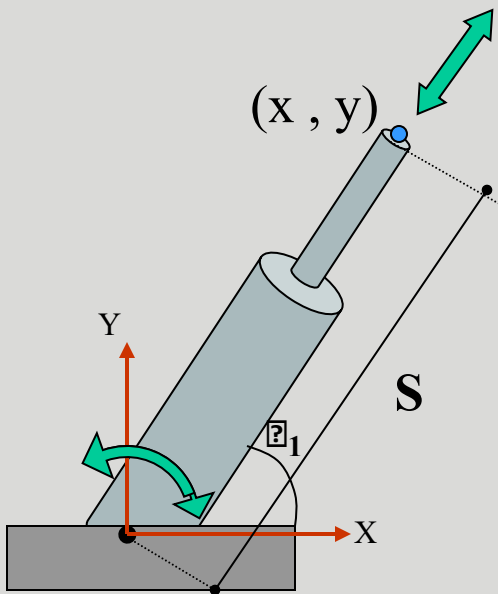
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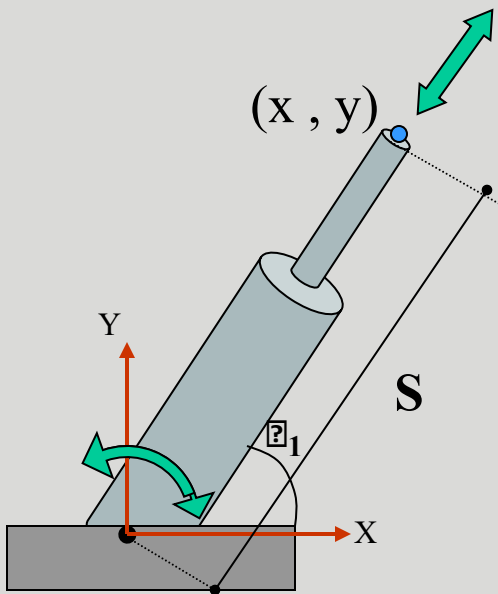
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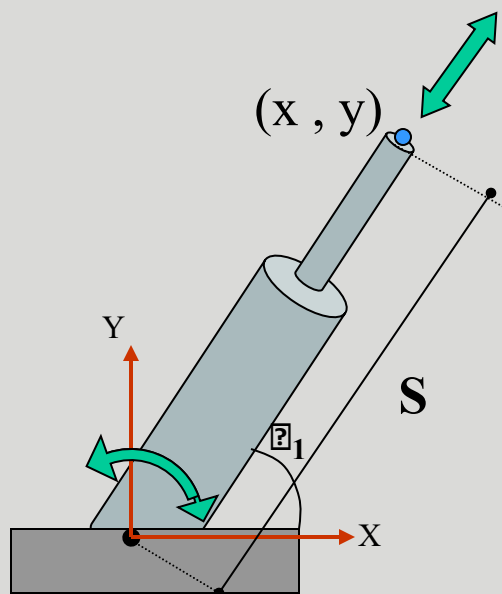
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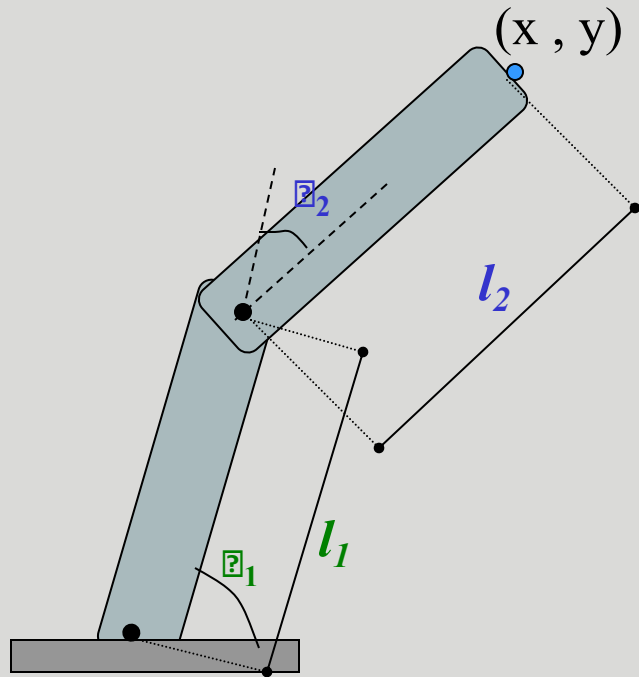
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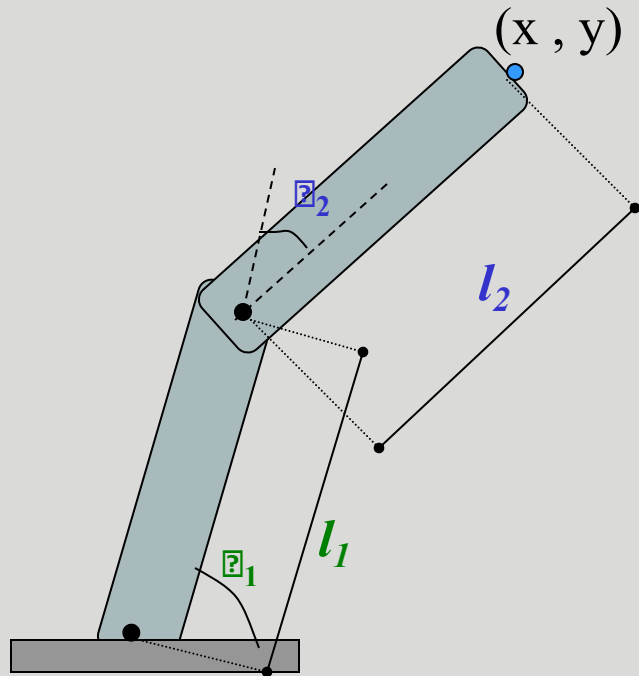
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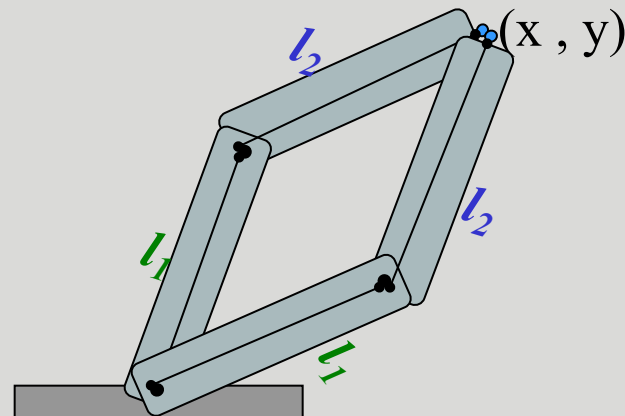


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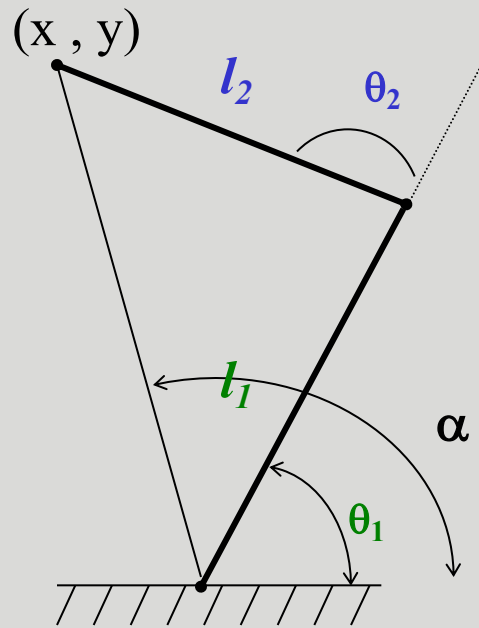
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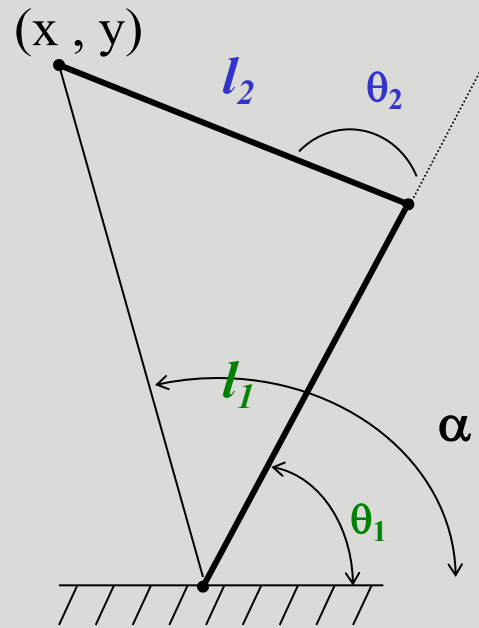
A unique solution to this problem does not exist. Notice, that using the “givens” two solutions are possible. Sometimes no solution is possible.



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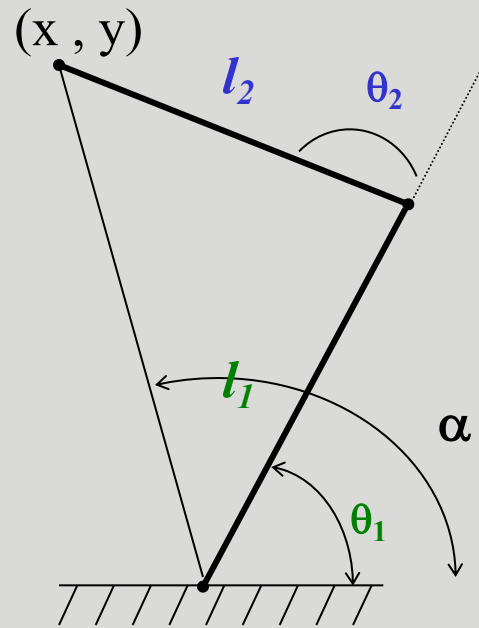
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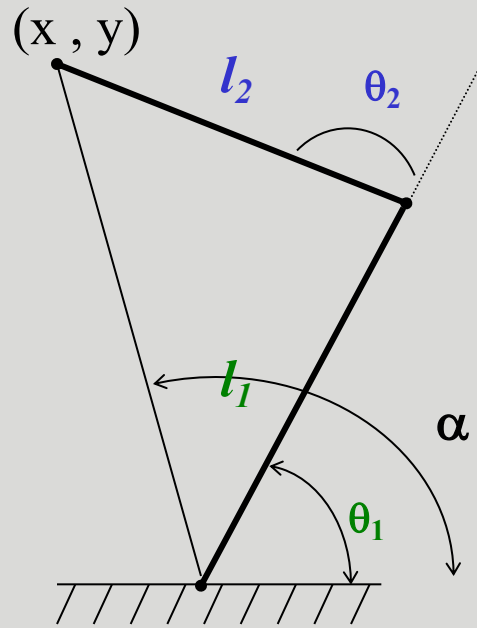


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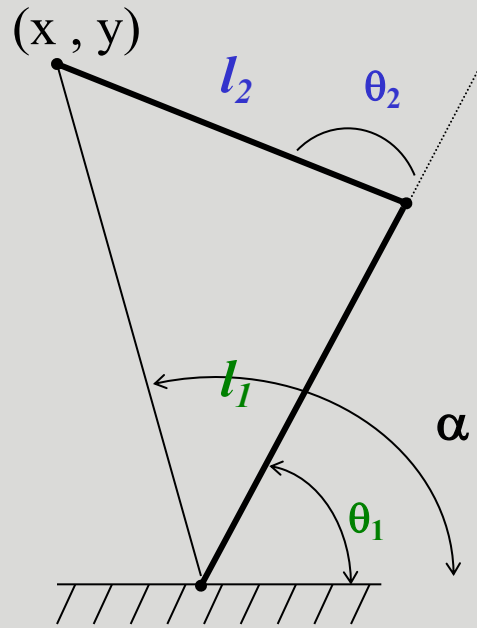
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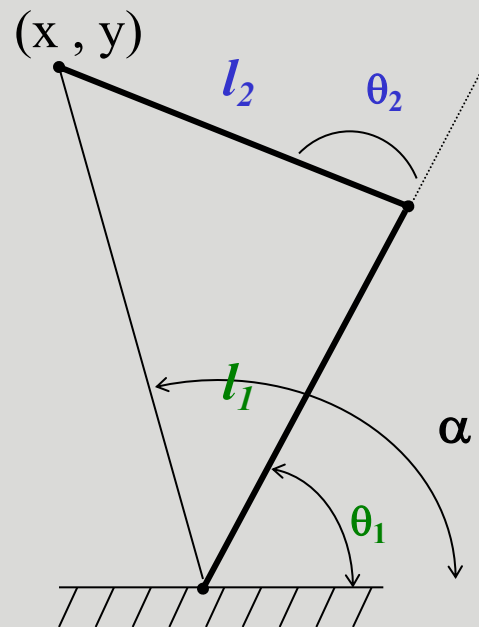
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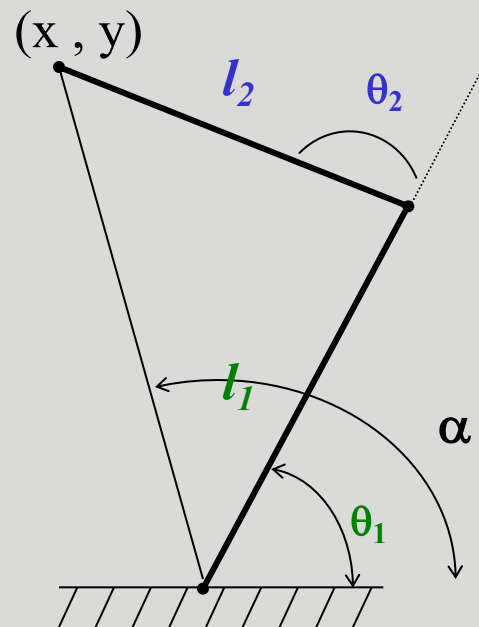
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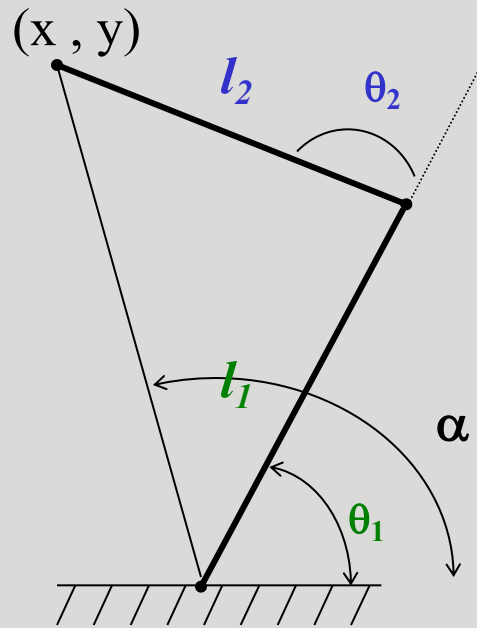
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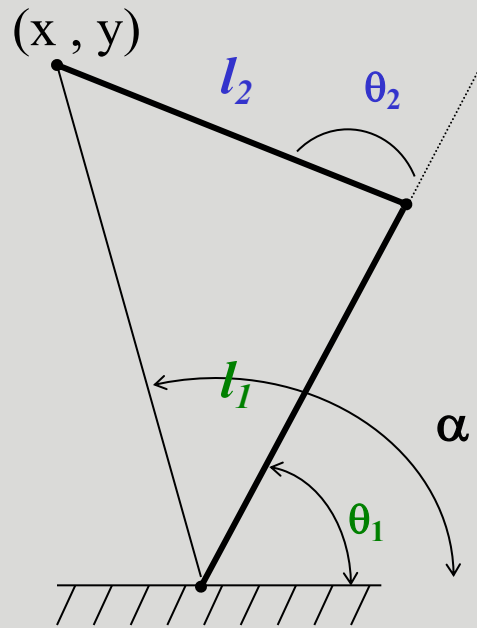
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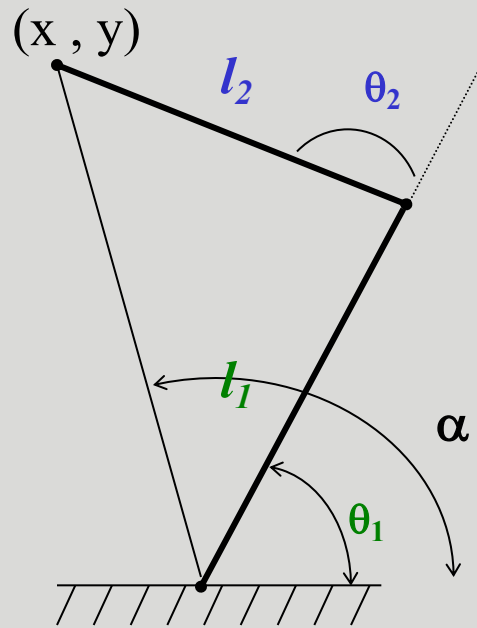
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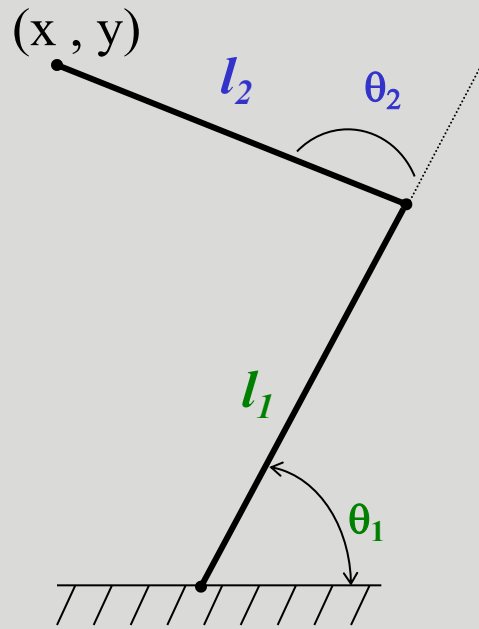
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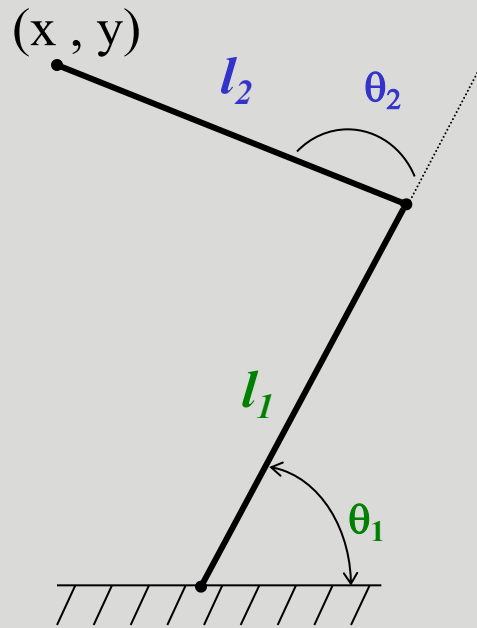
Redundancy caused since θ_2 has two possible values

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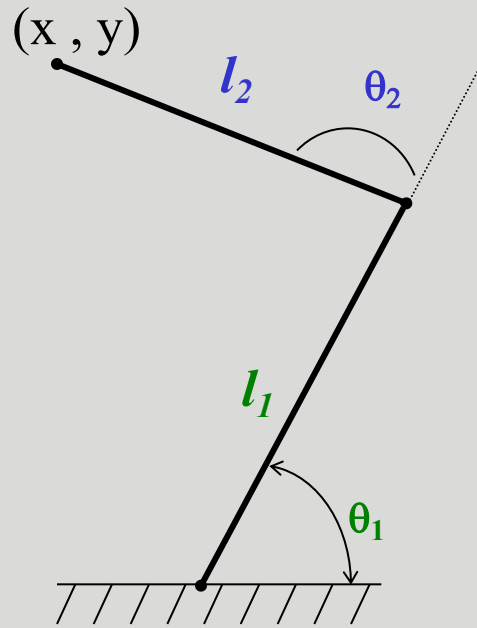
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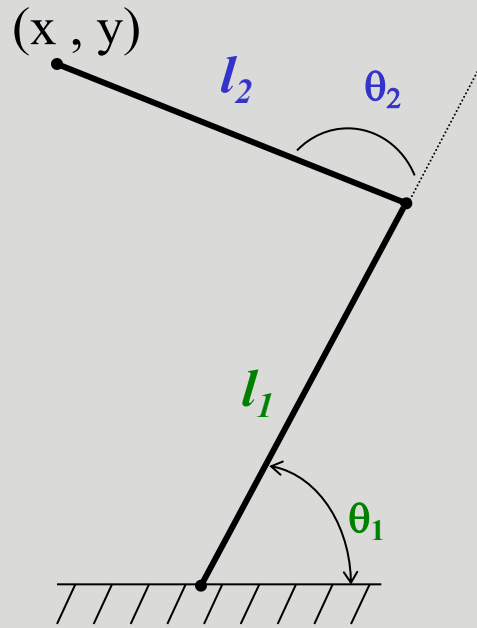
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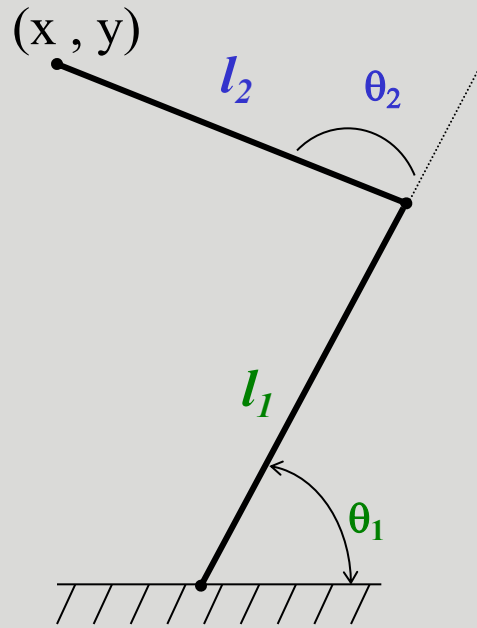
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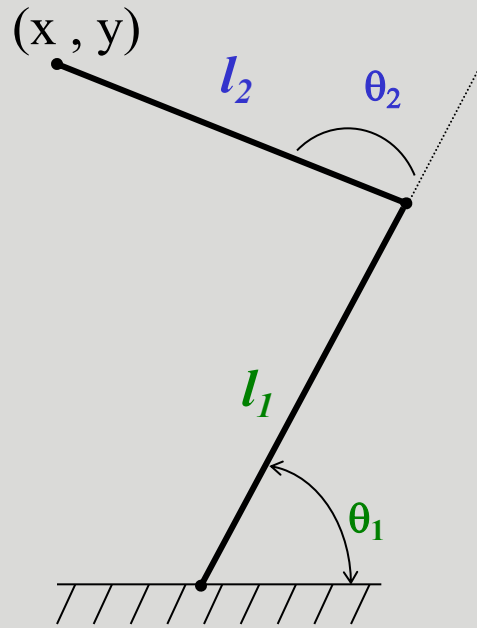
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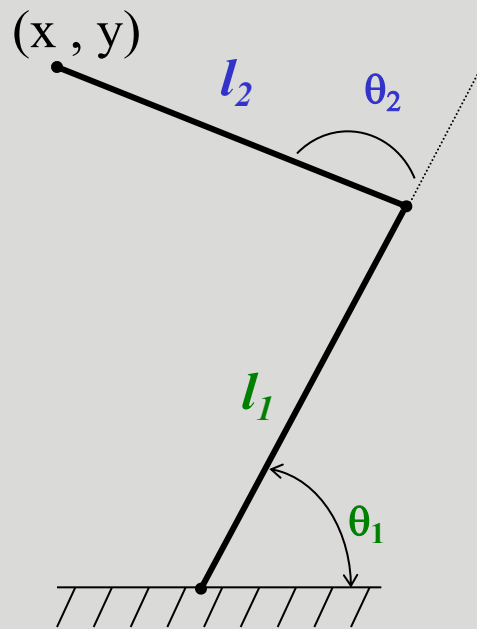
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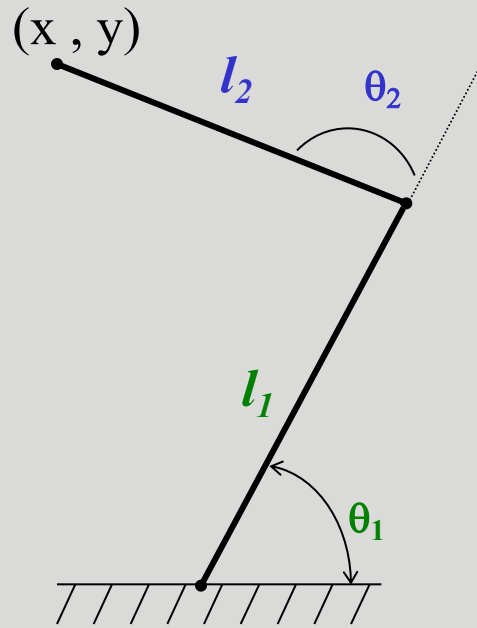
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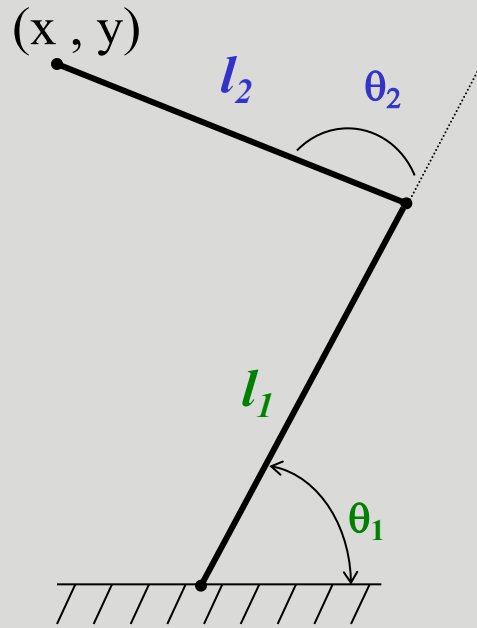
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Alternative approach

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Substituting for \mathbf{c}_1 and simplifying many times

$$= \frac{1}{(l_1 + l_2 \mathbf{c}_2)} \left(\mathbf{x} l_2 s_2 + \mathbf{s}_1 (l_1^2 + l_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \mathbf{c}_2) \right)$$

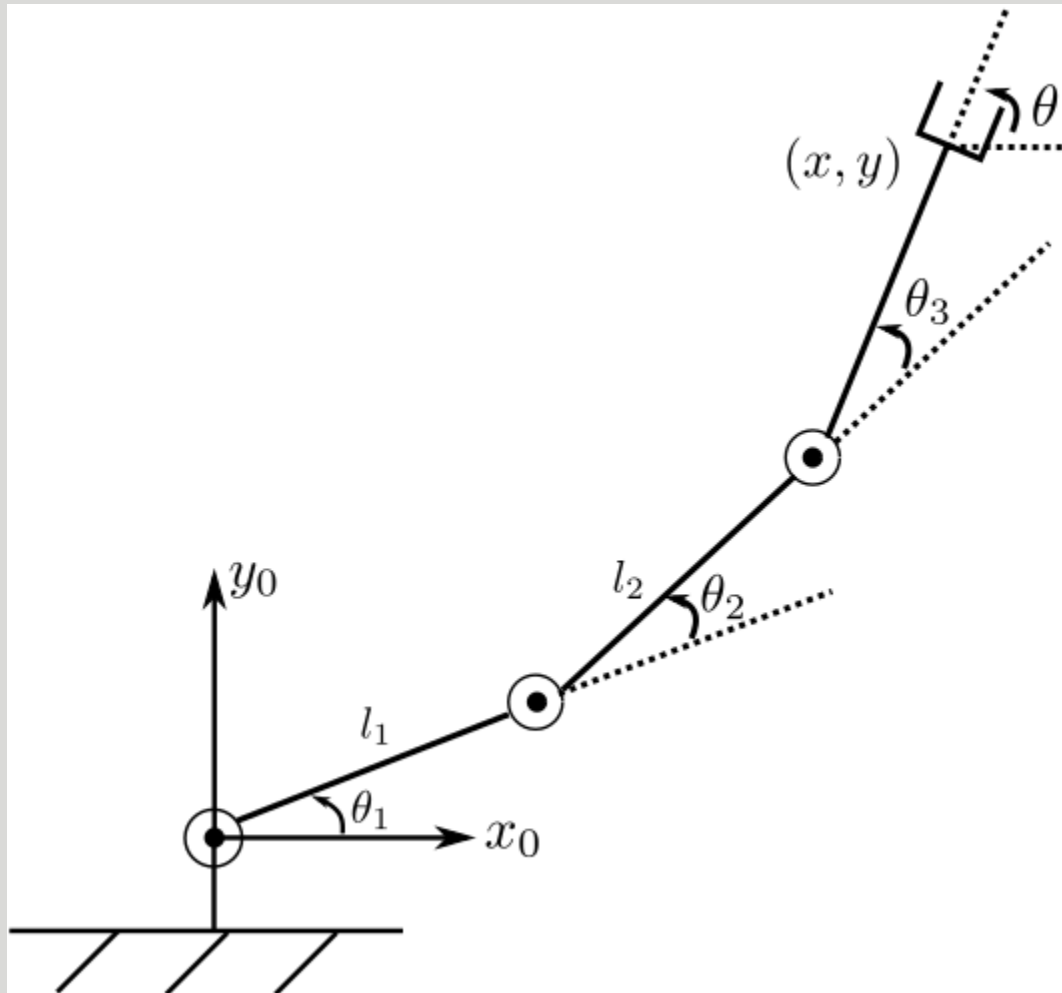
Notice this is the law of cosines and can be replaced by $\mathbf{x}^2 + \mathbf{y}^2$

$$\mathbf{s}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{y}(l_1 + l_2 \mathbf{c}_2) - \mathbf{x} l_2 s_2}{\mathbf{x}^2 + \mathbf{y}^2}$$

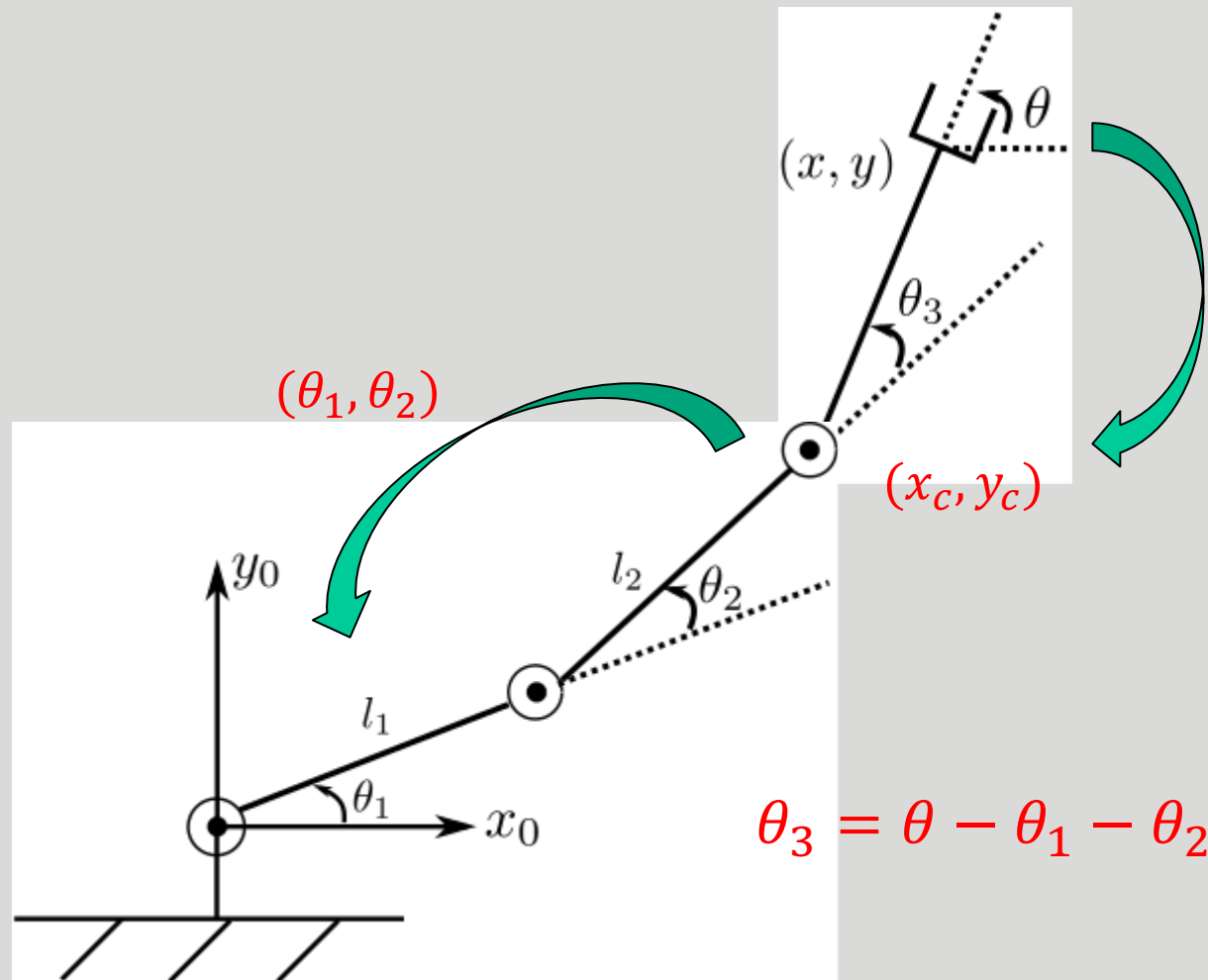
$$\theta_1 = \arctan 2(s_1, c_1)$$

Three-link Manipulator IK

Three-link Robot



Three-link to Two-link Robot

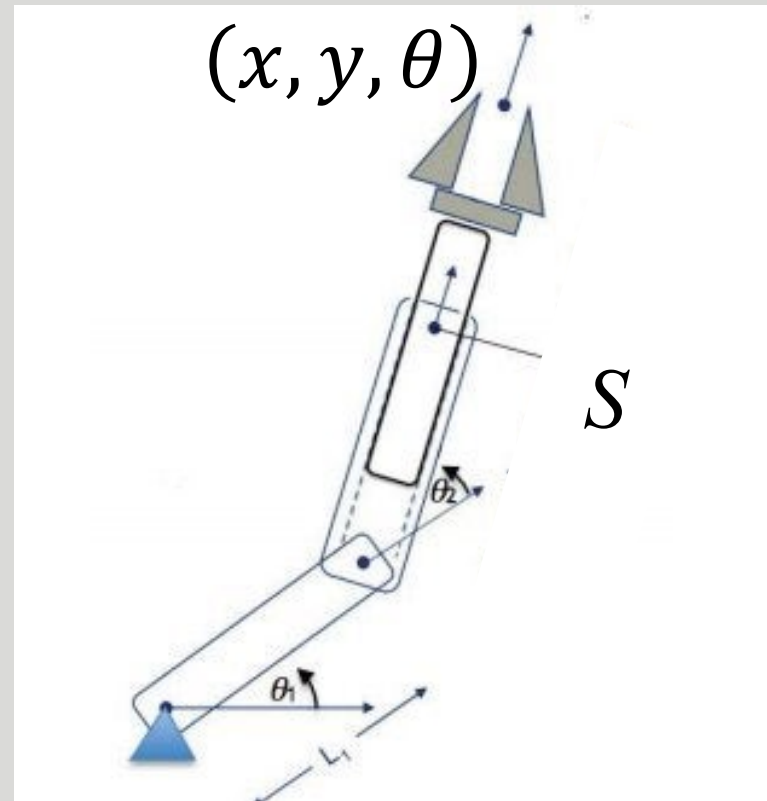


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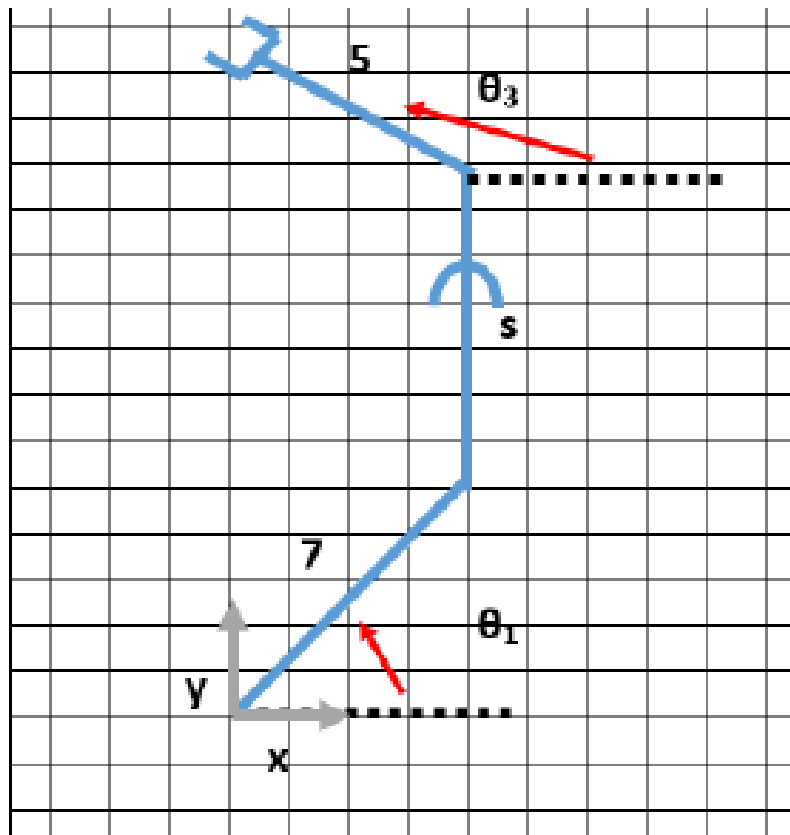
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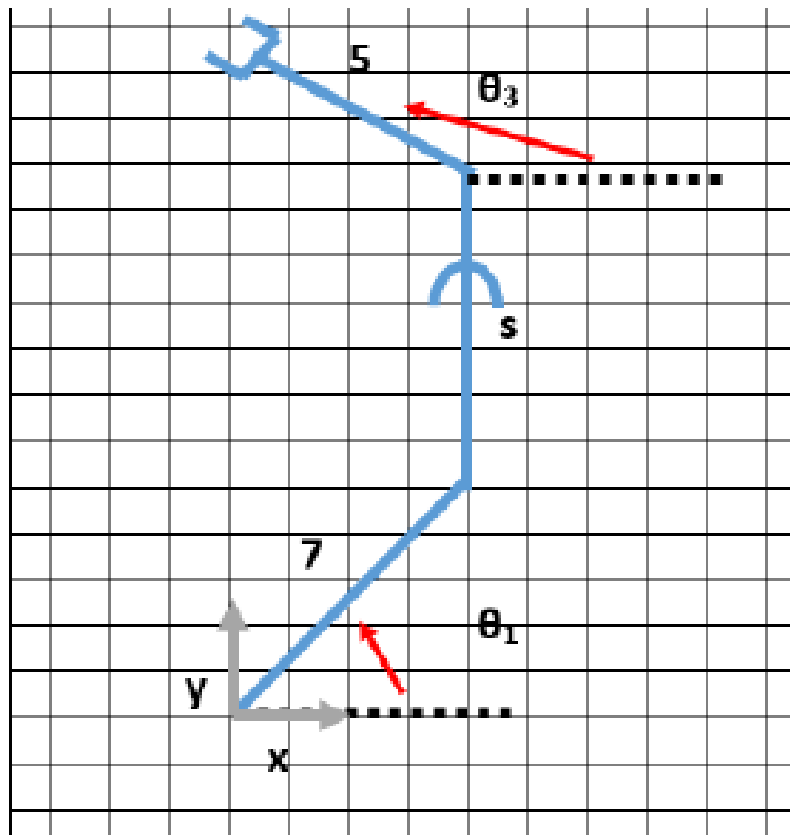
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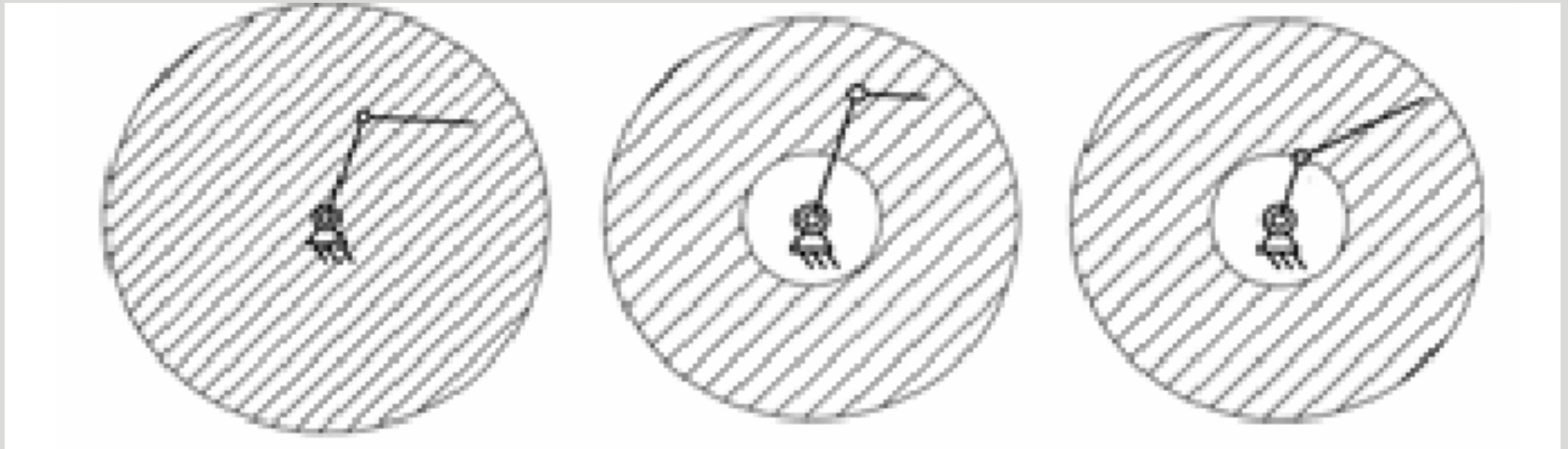


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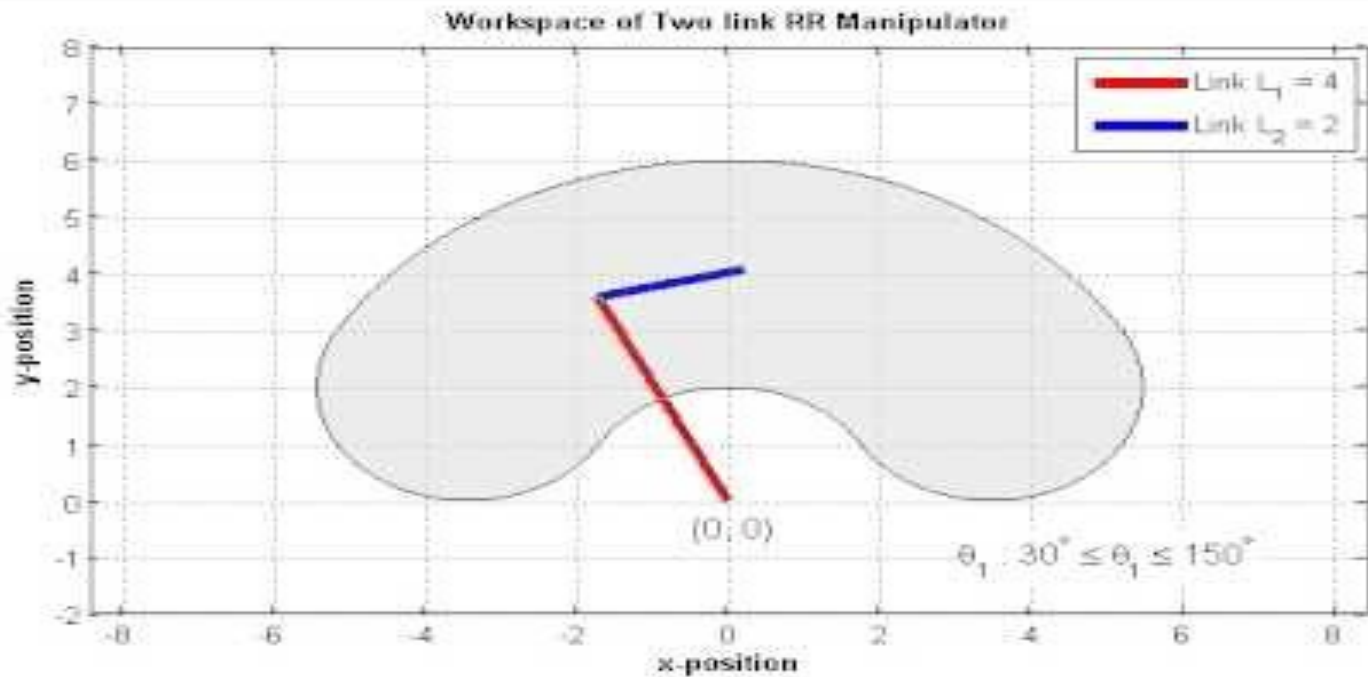
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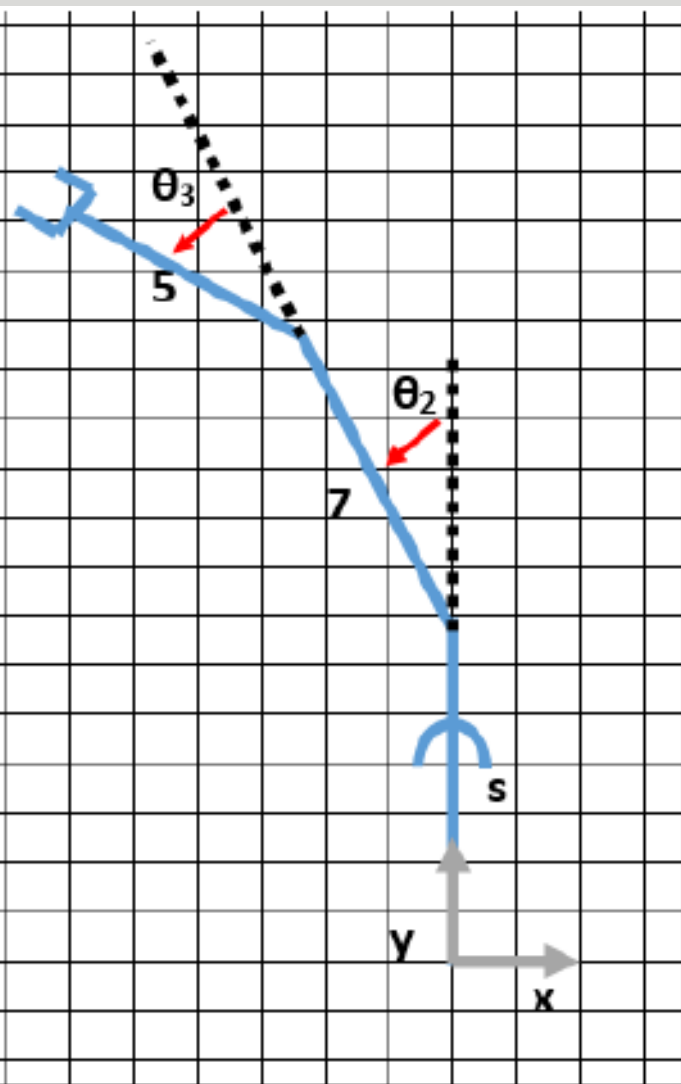


Workspace of Two-Link



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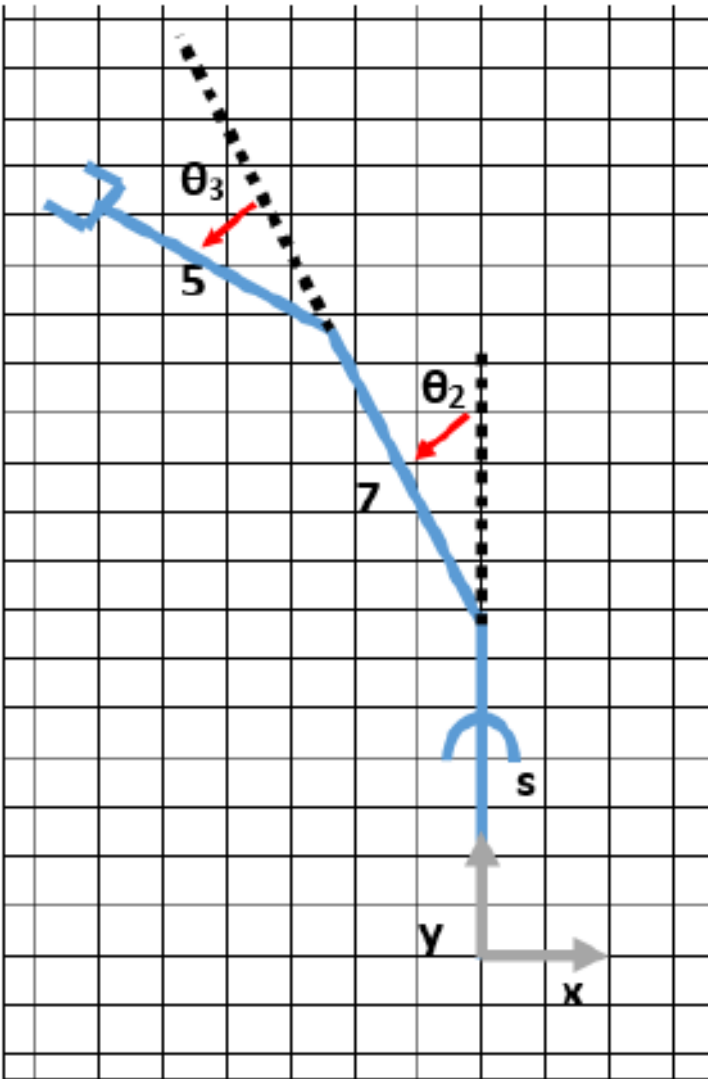


How many solutions are there to place the end effector at (0,22)?

How many solutions are there to place the end effector at (7,1)?

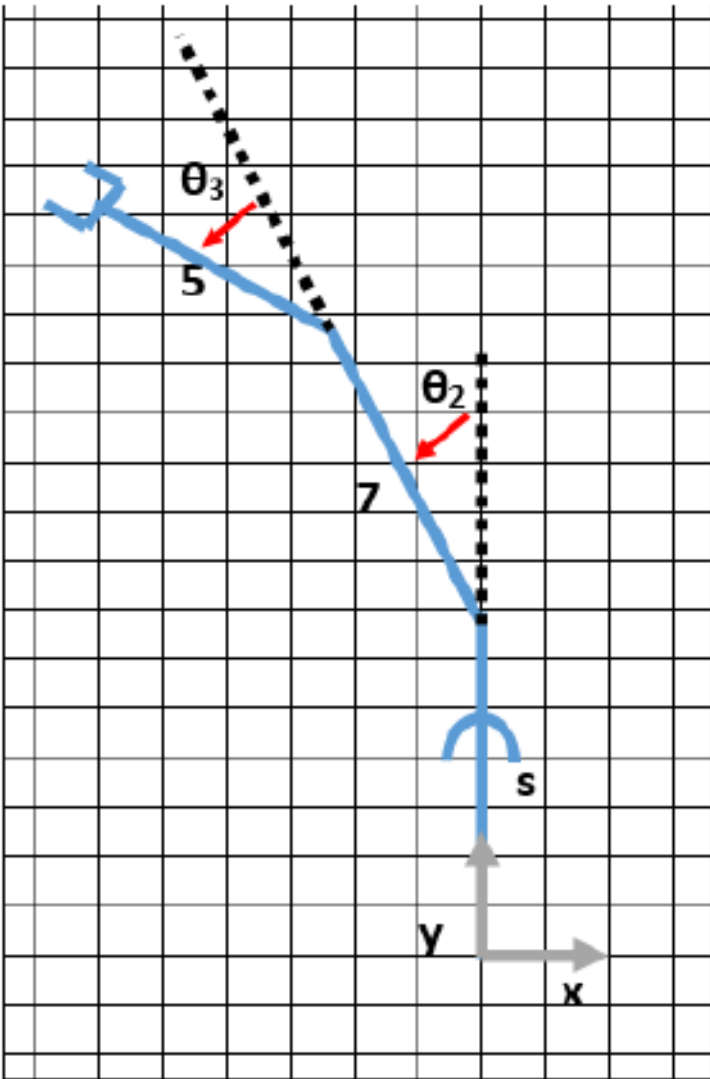
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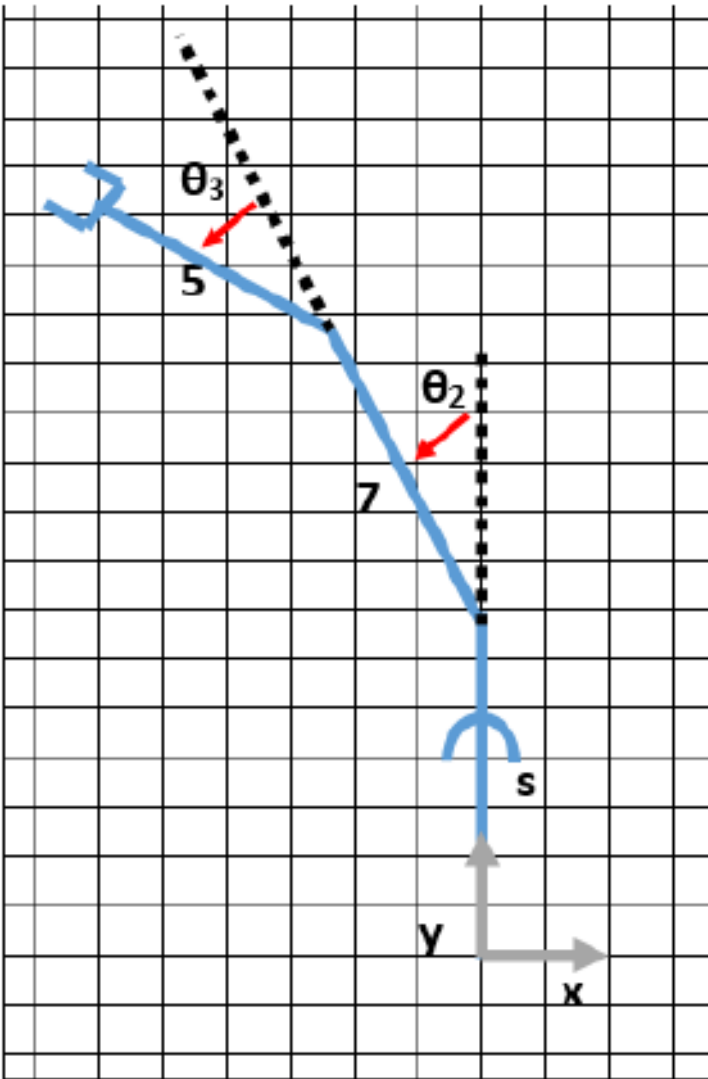
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