Lab Number 06
CoppeliaSim EDU – Computing Forward Kinematics of UR5

Introduction:

Forward Kinematics is computed when desired end effector position and orientation is required after a robot is moved by angles.

Software Used:

CoppeliaSim EDU v4.7

Programming Language:

LUA

Objectives of the Lab:

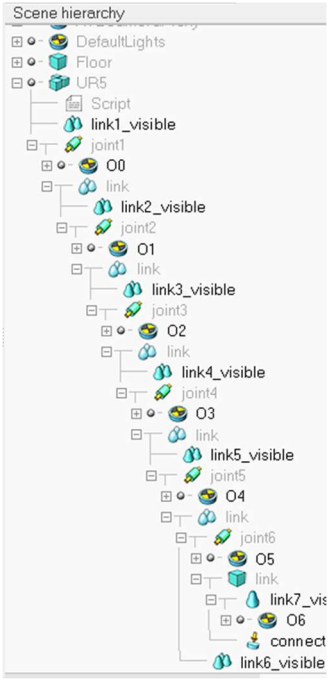
- To Extract DH Parameters of UR5
- To compute Forward Kinematics of UR5

Procedure:

First of all, add the UR5 robot in the scene and set its position and orientation to

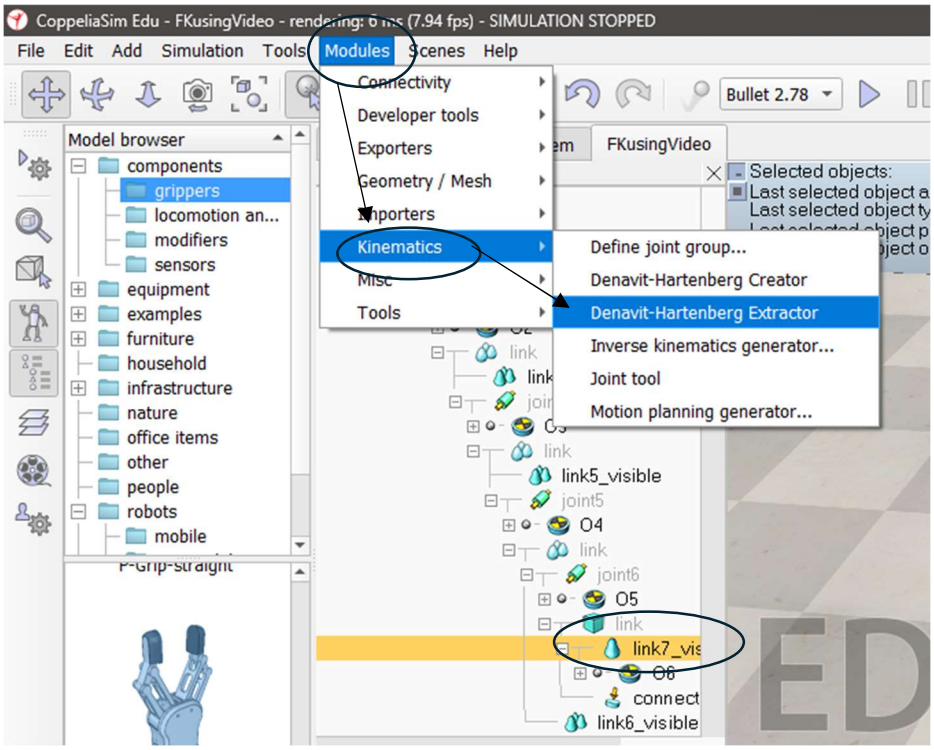
Add 7 reference frames and name them O0, O1, O2, ….

Set position and orientation of all reference frames 0,0,0



EXTRACT DH-PARAMETERS:

(DH – Parameters are conventional ones in CoppeliaSim)

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Denavit-Hartenberg parameters (classic DH convention):
    - between joint '/joint1' and joint '/joint2': d=0.0661 [m], theta=90.0 [deg], r=0.0000 [m], alpha=-90.0 [deg]
    - between joint '/joint2' and joint '/joint3': d=0.0000 [m], theta=0.0 [deg], r=0.4251 [m], alpha=0.0 [deg]
    - between joint '/joint3' and joint '/joint4': d=0.0000 [m], theta=0.0 [deg], r=0.3922 [m], alpha=0.0 [deg]
    - between joint '/joint4' and joint '/joint5': d=0.0397 [m], theta=-90.0 [deg], r=0.0000 [m], alpha=-90.0 [deg]
    - between joint '/joint5' and joint '/joint6': d=0.0492 [m], theta=90.0 [deg], r=0.0000 [m], alpha=-90.0 [deg]
    - between joint '/joint6' and object '/link7_visible': d=0.0804 [m], theta=90.0 [deg], r=0.0000 [m], alpha=90.0 [deg]
```

CODE & EXPLANATION:

Add a script and do the following code

```
sim = require'sim'                  - -module
```

➔ initialize the Robot and Frames

```
function sysCall_init()
n = 6                               - - number of joints
joints = {}                         - - Initialize joints of UR5
for i = 1,n,1 do
joints [i] = sim.getObjectHandle('../joint'..i)
```

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end
O = {}                          - - initialize Reference Frames associated with UR5
for i =1,n+1,1 do
O[i] = sim.getObjectHandle('../O'..(i-1))
```

➔ Add target angles and DH parameters extracted

```
t = {math.pi/6,math.pi/3,0,0,0,0}  - - angles to move each joint
DH_params = {
   {t[1]+math.pi/2, 0.0661, 0, -math.pi / 2},       -- Joint 1
   {t[2]-math.pi/2, 0, 0.425, 0},                   -- Joint 2
   {t[3], 0, 0.39225, 0},                 -- Joint 3
   {t[4]-math.pi/2, 0.0397, 0, -math.pi / 2},       -- Joint 4
   {t[5]+math.pi/2, 0.0492, 0, -math.pi / 2},       -- Joint 5
   {t[6]+math.pi/2, 0.0804, 0, math.pi/2}                   -- Joint 6
}
end    - - End of sysCall_init function
```

➔ Add a function DH( ) that return a matrix with solving theta, d, a, alpha.

```
function DH(joint,params)
local th,d,a,alpha
local cth,sth,calpha,salpha
local A,q
q = sim.getJointPosition(joint)
if(sim.getJointType(joint)==sim.joint_revolute_subtype) then
th = q+params[1]
d = params[2]
else
th = params[1]
d=q+params[2]
end
a = params[3]
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alpha = params[4]
cth = math.cos(th)
sth = math.sin(th)
calpha = math.cos(alpha)
salpha = math.sin(alpha)
```

➔ This is the transformation matrix for conventional DH params

```
A= Matrix (4,4,{cth,-sth*calpha,sth*salpha,a*cth,
                sth,cth*calpha,-cth*salpha,a*sth,
                0, salpha,calpha,d,
    0,0,0,1})
        return A
end
```

➔ Get the each transformation matrix for that purpose make a function

```
function getAi(joints,DH_params)
    local Ai={}
    for i=1,n,1 do
        Ai[i] = DH(joints[i],DH_params[i])
    end
    return Ai
end
```

➔ Update the frames relative to the previous frame

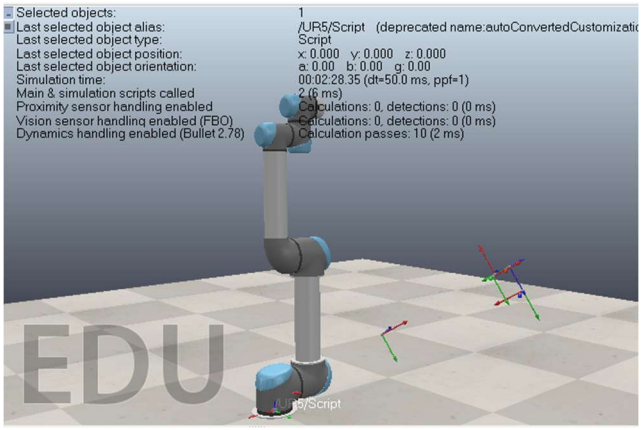
```
function updateFrames(joints,DH_params)
Ai = getAi(joints,DH_params)
for i = 1,n,1 do
sim.setObjectMatrix(O[i+1],O[i],Ai[i]:data())
-- sim.setJointTargetPosition(joints[i],t[i])
end
end
```

➔ Call updateFrames function in actuation

```
function sysCall_actuation()
    updateFrames(joints,DH_params)
  sim.step()

end
```

Now you can see that frames are updated on the position by angles t.



This is done by moving joint angles of first two joints only 30 and 60 degrees.

Now go to Modules → kinematics → joint tool and verify whether robot is moved to the same direction or not by giving it angles 30 and 60.