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* SEIKO Implementation Workplan *

Task: Picking & Stacking of objects using SEIKO algorithm.

Bots: 2 Interbotix UR300s

Tech Stack: Python, qp solvers (quadratic programming)
pinocchio (Rigid Body Kinematics)
rclpy (ROS 2 communication)
numpy (calculation for matrix operations)

Optimization

problem :- $\min_{\Delta q} \frac{1}{2} \Delta q^T H \Delta q + g^T \Delta q$

Subject to $q_{\min} \leq q_{\text{current}} + \Delta q \leq q_{\max}$ (Joint limits)
 $-\dot{q}_{\max} \Delta t \leq \Delta q \leq \dot{q}_{\max} \Delta t$

parameters: $\Delta q \rightarrow$ change in joint angles

$H \rightarrow$ Hessian matrix ($H = J^T J + \lambda I$)

$J \rightarrow$ Jacobian matrix

$I \rightarrow$ Identity matrix

$\lambda \rightarrow$ Smoothness factor

$g \rightarrow$ gradient

' λ ' decides smoothness of motion.

* Implementation *

Step-1 → Creation of file handling physical math for calculation of Jacobian, manipulability index & forward kinematics (FK)
→ Should return values of the joint limits.

Step-2 → Defining a file class (SeikoSolver).

Input: Current state (\mathbf{q}_c)

Target position (\mathbf{r}_{target})

Jacobian (\mathbf{J})

Compute error between current pose & target pose. Let it be \mathbf{v}_i

Construct matrix $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}^T \cdot \mathbf{J} + \lambda$

Construct gradient $\mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{v}_i$

Defining inequality constraints based on joint limits

C.e.g: If approaching singularity, $\Delta \mathbf{q}$ must stop from hitting it).

Solve QP: use qpsolvers. This will give $\Delta \mathbf{q}$.

expected output: Should give next joint position $\mathbf{q}_{next} = \mathbf{q}_{current} + \Delta \mathbf{q}$

(Note: leftsolver for leftarm & rightsolver for rightarm to synchronise bimanual control).

Step 3 : Creation of Ros2 node

- Creating a separate file to subscribe to the joint states of Vn300s hardware joints.
- Loading the urdf file (Robotmodel) & SeikoSolver from Step 2.

expected workflow: The Subscriber (Ros2 node) must listen to Vn300s joint states to get the real hardware's current q .

- Get current q
- Define target_pose (Coordinates of object)
- Run SeikoSolver (Step 2)
- Publish next set of q to the Vn300s joint states.

execute step 3 in loop

(50Hz since all scripts run at 50Hz)

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