Supplementary Details on Inverse Kinematics

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- t_0 is just the coordinates of joint 0 in the world reference frame.
- For i > 0, $t_i = \begin{pmatrix} l_i \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ where l_i is the length of the i-th bone.
- To compute the axis-angle parameters ω_i , denote the unit vectors of bone i and i+1 as u,v respectively. Bone 0 is $\hat{x}=\begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}$. The axisangle parameters aligning the x-axis of reference frames from joint i to joint i+1 is given by $\frac{u\times v}{\|u\times v\|}$ arccos $(u\cdot v)$.
- Hint: Do this in reverse fashion, i.e. start by finding the parameters for aligning the last bone.

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Supplementary Details on Forward Kinematics

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• Given $\xi = \begin{pmatrix} \omega \\ t \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{se}(3)$, the SE(3) matrix representation is

$$e^{\xi} \equiv egin{pmatrix} R(\omega) & T \ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $R(\omega)$ is given in the axis-angle representation.

• The 3D coordinates of joint *i* in the world reference frame is simply given by the first 3 entries in

$$e^{\xi_0}e^{\xi_1}\cdots e^{\xi_j}egin{pmatrix}0\\0\\0\\1\end{pmatrix}.$$

Why?



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