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# **franka\_ros\_interface**

## **Documentation**

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## 1.1 ArmInterface

- Interface class that can monitor and control the robot
- Provides all required information about robot state and end-effector state
- Joint positions, velocities, and effort can be directly controlled and monitored using available methods
- Smooth interpolation of joint positions possible
- End-effector and Stiffness frames can be directly set (uses FrankaFramesInterface from franka\_ros\_interface/franka\_tools)

**class** franka\_interface.**ArmInterface**(synchronous\_pub=False)  
Interface Class for an arm of Franka Panda robot

**class** RobotMode

Enum class for specifying and retrieving the current robot mode.

**endpoint\_effort()**

Return Cartesian endpoint wrench {force, torque}.

@rtype: dict({str:L{Limb.Point},str:L{Limb.Point}}) @return: force and torque at endpoint as named tuples in a dict

C{wrench = {'force': (x, y, z), 'torque': (x, y, z)}}

- 'force': Cartesian force on x,y,z axes in np.ndarray format
- 'torque': Torque around x,y,z axes in np.ndarray format

**endpoint\_pose()**

Return Cartesian endpoint pose {position, orientation}.

@rtype: dict({str:L{Limb.Point},str:L{Limb.Quaternion}}) @return: position and orientation as named tuples in a dict

C{pose = {'position': (x, y, z), 'orientation': (x, y, z, w)}}

- 'position': np.array of x, y, z
- 'orientation': quaternion x,y,z,w in quaternion format

**endpoint\_velocity()**

Return Cartesian endpoint twist {linear, angular}.

@rtype: dict({str:L{Limb.Point},str:L{Limb.Point}}) @return: linear and angular velocities as named tuples in a dict

C{twist = {'linear': (x, y, z), 'angular': (x, y, z)}}

- 'linear': np.array of x, y, z
- 'angular': np.array of x, y, z (angular velocity along the axes)

**error\_in\_current\_state()**

Return True if the specified limb has experienced an error.

@rtype: bool @return: True if the arm has error, False otherwise.

**get\_robot\_status()**

Return dict with all robot status information.

@rtype: dict @return: ['robot\_mode' (RobotMode object), 'robot\_status' (bool), 'errors' (dict() of errors and their truth value), 'error\_in\_curr\_status' (bool)]

**in\_safe\_state()**

Return True if the specified limb is in safe state (no collision, reflex, errors etc.).

@rtype: bool @return: True if the arm is in safe state, False otherwise.

**joint\_angle(joint)**

Return the requested joint angle.

@type joint: str @param joint: name of a joint @rtype: float @return: angle in radians of individual joint

**joint\_angles()**

Return all joint angles.

@rtype: dict({str:float}) @return: unordered dict of joint name Keys to angle (rad) Values

**joint\_effort(joint)**

Return the requested joint effort.

**\_ns** @type joint: str @param joint: name of a joint @rtype: float @return: effort in Nm of individual joint

**joint\_efforts()**

Return all joint efforts.

@rtype: dict({str:float}) @return: unordered dict of joint name Keys to effort (Nm) Values

**joint\_inertia\_matrix()**

Return joint inertia matrix (7,7)

@rtype: np.ndarray [7x7]

**joint\_names()**

Return the names of the joints for the specified limb.

@rtype: [str] @return: ordered list of joint names from proximal to distal (i.e. shoulder to wrist).

**joint\_ordered\_angles()**

Return all joint angles.

@rtype: [double] @return: joint angles (rad) orded by joint\_names from proximal to distal (i.e. shoulder to wrist).

**joint\_velocities()**

Return all joint velocities.

@rtype: dict({str:float}) @return: unordered dict of joint name Keys to velocity (rad/s) Values

**joint\_velocity(joint)**

Return the requested joint velocity.

@type joint: str @param joint: name of a joint @rtype: float @return: velocity in radians/s of individual joint

**move\_to\_joint\_positions(positions, timeout=10.0, threshold=0.00085, test=None, use\_moveit=True)**

(Blocking) Commands the limb to the provided positions.

Waits until the reported joint state matches that specified.

This function uses a low-pass filter to smooth the movement.

@type positions: dict({str:float}) @param positions: joint\_name:angle command  
@type timeout: float @param timeout: seconds to wait for move to finish [15] @type threshold: float @param threshold: position threshold in radians across each joint when move is considered successful [0.008726646] @param test: optional function returning True if motion must be aborted @type use\_moveit: bool @param use\_moveit: if set to True, and movegroup interface is available,

move to the joint positions using moveit planner.

**move\_to\_neutral(timeout=15.0, speed=0.15)**

Command the Limb joints to a predefined set of “neutral” joint angles. From rosparam /franka\_control/neutral\_pose.

@type timeout: float @param timeout: seconds to wait for move to finish [15] @type speed: float @param speed: ratio of maximum joint speed for execution

default= 0.15; range= [0.0-1.0]

**reset\_EE\_frame()**

Reset EE frame to default. (defined by FrankaFramesInterface.DEFAULT\_TRANSFORMATIONS.EE\_FRAME global variable defined above)

@rtype: [bool, str] @return: [success status of service request, error msg if any]

**set\_EE\_frame(frame)**

Set new EE frame based on the transformation given by ‘frame’, which is the transformation matrix defining the new desired EE frame with respect to the flange frame. Motion controllers are stopped for switching

@type frame: [float (16,)] / np.ndarray (4x4) @param frame: transformation matrix of new EE frame wrt flange frame (column major) @rtype: [bool, str] @return: [success status of service request, error msg if any]

**set\_EE\_frame\_to\_link(frame\_name, timeout=5.0)**

Set new EE frame to the same frame as the link frame given by ‘frame\_name’ Motion controllers are stopped for switching

@type frame\_name: str @param frame\_name: desired tf frame name in the tf tree  
@rtype: [bool, str] @return: [success status of service request, error msg if any]

**set\_collision\_threshold**(cartesian\_forces=None, joint\_torques=None)  
Set Force Torque thresholds for deciding robot has collided.

@return True if service call successful, False otherwise @rtype: bool @param  
cartesian\_forces: Cartesian force threshold for collision detection [x,y,z,R,P,Y]  
(robot motion stops if violated) @type cartesian\_forces: [float] size 6 @param  
joint\_torques: Joint torque threshold for collision (robot motion stops if violated)  
@type joint\_torques: [float] size 7

**set\_command\_timeout**(timeout)  
Set the timeout in seconds for the joint controller

@type timeout: float @param timeout: timeout in seconds

**set\_joint\_position\_speed**(speed=0.3)  
Set ratio of max joint speed to use during joint position moves (only for  
move\_to\_joint\_positions).

Set the proportion of maximum controllable velocity to use during joint position  
control execution. The default ratio is 0.3, and can be set anywhere from [0.0-1.0]  
(clipped). Once set, a speed ratio will persist until a new execution speed is set.

@type speed: float @param speed: ratio of maximum joint speed for execution  
default= 0.3; range= [0.0-1.0]

**set\_joint\_positions**(positions)  
Commands the joints of this limb to the specified positions.

@type positions: [float] @param positions: ordered joint angles (from joint1 to  
joint7) to be commanded

**set\_joint\_positions\_velocities**(positions, velocities)  
Commands the joints of this limb using specified positions and velocities using  
impedance control. Command at time t is computed as

$$\mathbf{u}_t = \mathbf{coriolis\_factor} * \mathbf{coriolis}_t + K_p * (\mathbf{positions} - \mathbf{curr\_positions}) + K_d * (\mathbf{velocities} - \mathbf{curr\_velocities})$$

@type positions: [float] @param positions: desired joint positions as an ordered list  
corresponding to joints given by self.joint\_names() @type velocities: [float] @param  
velocities: desired joint velocities as an ordered list corresponding to joints given  
by self.joint\_names()

**set\_joint\_torques**(torques)  
Commands the joints of this limb to the specified torques.

@type torques: dict({str:float}) @param torques: joint\_name:torque command

**set\_joint\_velocities**(velocities)  
Commands the joints of this limb to the specified velocities.

@type velocities: dict({str:float}) @param velocities: joint\_name:velocity command

**tip\_states**()  
Return Cartesian endpoint state for a given tip name

@rtype: TipState object @return: pose, velocity, effort, effort\_in\_K\_frame

**what\_errors**()  
Return list of error messages if there is error in robot state





**@param wait\_for\_result** [if True, this method will block till response is ] recieved from server

**@type wait\_for\_result** : bool

**@return success @rtype** bool

**joint\_effort(joint)**  
Return the requested joint effort.

**@param joint** : name of a joint **@type joint** : str

**@rtype:** float **@return:** effort in Nm of individual joint

**joint\_efforts()**  
Return all joint efforts.

**@rtype:** dict({str:float}) **@return:** unordered dict of joint name Keys to effort (Nm) Values

**joint\_names()**  
Return the names of the joints for the specified limb.

**@rtype:** [str] **@return:** ordered list of joint names from proximal to distal (i.e. shoulder to wrist).

**joint\_ordered\_efforts()**  
Return all joint efforts.

**@rtype:** [double] **@return:** joint efforts ordered by joint\_names.

**joint\_ordered\_positions()**  
Return all joint positions.

**@rtype:** [double] **@return:** joint positions ordered by joint\_names.

**joint\_ordered\_velocities()**  
Return all joint velocities.

**@rtype:** [double] **@return:** joint velocities ordered by joint\_names.

**joint\_position(joint)**  
Return the requested joint position.

**@param joint** : name of a joint **@type joint** : str

**@rtype:** float **@return:** position individual joint

**joint\_positions()**  
Return all joint positions.

**@rtype:** dict({str:float}) **@return:** unordered dict of joint name Keys to pos

**joint\_velocities()**  
Return all joint velocities.

**@rtype:** dict({str:float}) **@return:** unordered dict of joint name Keys to velocity (rad/s) Values

**joint\_velocity(joint)**  
Return the requested joint velocity.

**@param joint** : name of a joint **@type joint** : str

**@rtype:** float **@return:** velocity in radians/s of individual joint

**move\_joints**(width, speed=None, wait\_for\_result=True)

Moves the gripper fingers to a specified width.

@param width : Intended opening width. [m] @param speed : Closing speed. [m/s]

@param wait\_for\_result : if True, this method will block till response is

recieved from server

@type width : float @type speed : float @type wait\_for\_result : bool

@return True if command was successful, False otherwise. @rtype bool

**open**()

Open gripper to max possible width.

@return True if command was successful, False otherwise. @rtype bool

**set\_velocity**(value)

Set default value for gripper joint motions. Used for move and grasp commands.

@param value : speed value [m/s] @type value : float

**stop\_action**()

Stops a currently running gripper move or grasp.

@return True if command was successful, False otherwise. @rtype bool

## 1.3 RobotEnable

- Interface class to reset robot when in recoverable error (use enable\_robot.py script in scripts/)

**class** franka\_interface.**RobotEnable**(robot\_params=None)

Class RobotEnable - simple control/status wrapper around robot state

enable() - enable all joints disable() - disable all joints reset() - reset all joints, reset all jrcp faults, disable the robot stop() - stop the robot, similar to hitting the e-stop button

**disable**()

Disable all joints

**enable**()

Enable all joints

**state**()

Returns the last known robot state.

@rtype: intera\_core\_msgs/AssemblyState @return: Returns the last received AssemblyState message

## 1.4 RobotParams

- Collects and stores all useful information about the robot from the ROS parameter server

**class** franka\_interface.**RobotParams**

Interface class for essential ROS parameters on Intera robot.

**get\_joint\_names()**

Return the names of the joints for the specified limb from ROS parameter.

@rtype: list [str] @return: ordered list of joint names from proximal to distal

(i.e. shoulder to wrist). joint names for limb

**get\_robot\_name()**

Return the name of class of robot from ROS parameter.

@rtype: str @return: name of the robot

## 2.1 PandaMoveGroupInterface

- Provides interface to control and plan motions using MoveIt in ROS.
- Simple methods to plan and execute joint trajectories and cartesian path.
- Provides easy reset and environment definition functionalities (See ExtendedPlanningSceneInterface below).

**class** franka\_moveit.PandaMoveGroupInterface

**arm\_group**

**@return:** The MoveGroupCommander instance of this object. This is an interface to one group of joints. In this case the group is the joints in the Panda arm. This interface can be used to plan and execute motions on the Panda.

**@rtype:** moveit\_commander.MoveGroupCommander

**available\_methods:** [http://docs.ros.org/jade/api/moveit\\_commander/html/classmoveit\\_commander\\_1\\_1move\\_group\\_1\\_1MoveGroupCommander.html](http://docs.ros.org/jade/api/moveit_commander/html/classmoveit_commander_1_1move_group_1_1MoveGroupCommander.html)

**close\_gripper**(wait=False)

Using named states defined in urdf.

NOTE: If this named state is not found, your ros environment is probably not using the right panda\_moveit\_config package. Ensure that sourced package is from this repo -> [https://github.com/justagist/panda\\_moveit\\_config](https://github.com/justagist/panda_moveit_config)

**go\_to\_joint\_positions**(positions, wait=True, tolerance=0.005)

**@return:** status of joint motion plan execution **@rtype:** bool

**@param positions:** target joint positions (ordered) **@param wait:** if True, function will wait for trajectory execution to complete **@param tolerance:** maximum error in final position for each joint to consider

task a success

**@type positions:** [double] **@type wait:** bool **@type tolerance:** double

**gripper\_group**

**@return:** The `MoveGroupCommander` instance of this object. This is an interface to one group of joints. In this case the group is the joints in the Panda arm. This interface can be used to plan and execute motions on the Panda.

@rtype: `moveit_commander.MoveGroupCommander`

available\_methods: [http://docs.ros.org/jade/api/moveit\\_commander/html/classmoveit\\_\\_commander\\_1\\_1move\\_\\_group\\_1\\_1MoveGroupCommander.html](http://docs.ros.org/jade/api/moveit_commander/html/classmoveit__commander_1_1move__group_1_1MoveGroupCommander.html)

**move\_to\_neutral**(wait=True)

Send arm group to neutral pose defined using named state in urdf.

**open\_gripper**(wait=False)

Using named states defined in urdf.

NOTE: If this named state is not found, your ros environment is probably not using the right `panda_moveit_config` package. Ensure that sourced package is from this repo -> [https://github.com/justagist/panda\\_moveit\\_config](https://github.com/justagist/panda_moveit_config)

**plan\_joint\_path**(joint\_position)

@return plan for executing joint trajectory

**robot\_state\_interface**

@return: The `RobotCommander` instance of this object @rtype: `moveit_commander.RobotCommander`

available\_methods: [http://docs.ros.org/jade/api/moveit\\_commander/html/classmoveit\\_\\_commander\\_1\\_1robot\\_1\\_1RobotCommander.html](http://docs.ros.org/jade/api/moveit_commander/html/classmoveit__commander_1_1robot_1_1RobotCommander.html)

**scene**

**@return:** The `RobotCommander` instance of this object. This is an interface to the world surrounding the robot

@rtype: `moveit_commander.RobotCommander`

available\_methods: [http://docs.ros.org/indigo/api/moveit\\_ros\\_planning\\_interface/html/classmoveit\\_1\\_1planning\\_\\_interface\\_1\\_1PlanningSceneInterface.html](http://docs.ros.org/indigo/api/moveit_ros_planning_interface/html/classmoveit_1_1planning__interface_1_1PlanningSceneInterface.html)

**set\_velocity\_scale**(value, group='arm')

Set the max velocity scale for executing planned motion. @param value: scale value (allowed (0,1] )

## 2.2 ExtendedPlanningSceneInterface

- Easily define scene for robot motion planning (MoveIt plans will avoid defined obstacles if possible).

**class** `franka_moveit.ExtendedPlanningSceneInterface`**add\_box**(name, pose, size, timeout=5)

Add object to scene and check if it is created.

@param name: name of object @param pose: desired pose for the box @param size: size of the box @param timeout: time in sec to wait while checking if box is created

@type name: str @type pose: geometry\_msgs.msg.PoseStamped @type size: [float]  
(len 3) @type timeout: float





### 3.1 CollisionBehaviourInterface

- Define collision and contact thresholds for the robot safety and contact detection.

#### **class** franka\_tools.CollisionBehaviourInterface

Helper class to set collision and contact thresholds at cartesian and joint levels. (This class has no 'getter' functions to access the currently set collision behaviour values.)

##### **set\_collision\_threshold**(joint\_torques=None, cartesian\_forces=None)

@return True if service call successful, False otherwise @rtype: bool @param joint\_torques: Joint torque threshold for collision (robot motion stops if violated) @type joint\_torques: [float] size 7 @param cartesian\_forces: Cartesian force threshold for collision detection [x,y,z,R,P,Y] (robot motion stops if violated) @type cartesian\_forces: [float] size 6

##### **set\_contact\_threshold**(joint\_torques=None, cartesian\_forces=None)

@return True if service call successful, False otherwise @rtype: bool @param joint\_torques: Joint torque threshold for identifying as contact @type joint\_torques: [float] size 7 @param cartesian\_forces: Cartesian force threshold for identifying as contact @type cartesian\_forces: [float] size 6

##### **set\_force\_threshold\_for\_collision**(cartesian\_force\_values)

@return True if service call successful, False otherwise @rtype: bool @param cartesian\_force\_values: Cartesian force threshold for collision detection [x,y,z,R,P,Y] (robot motion stops if violated) @type cartesian\_force\_values: [float] size 6

##### **set\_force\_threshold\_for\_contact**(cartesian\_force\_values)

@return True if service call successful, False otherwise @rtype: bool @param cartesian\_force\_values: Cartesian force threshold for contact detection [x,y,z,R,P,Y] @type cartesian\_force\_values: [float] size 6

##### **set\_ft\_contact\_collision\_behaviour**(torque\_lower=None, torque\_upper=None, force\_lower=None, force\_upper=None)

@return True if service call successful, False otherwise @rtype: bool @param torque\_lower: Joint torque threshold for contact detection @type torque\_lower: [float] size 7 @param torque\_upper: Joint torque threshold for collision (robot motion stops if violated) @type torque\_upper: [float] size 7 @param force\_lower: Cartesian force threshold for contact detection [x,y,z,R,P,Y] @type force\_lower: [float] size 6

6 @param force\_upper: Cartesian force threshold for collision detection [x,y,z,R,P,Y]  
(robot motion stops if violated) @type force\_upper: [float] size 6

## 3.2 FrankaControllerManagerInterface

- List, start, stop, load available controllers for the robot
- Get the current controller status (commands, set points, controller gains, etc.)
- Update controller parameters through ControllerParamConfigClient (see below)

```
class franka_tools.FrankaControllerManagerInterface(ns='franka_ros_interface',
                                                    synchronous_pub=False,
                                                    sim=False)

controller_dict()
    Get all controllers as dict

    @return: name of the controller to be stopped @rtype: dict {'controller_name':
    ControllerState}

get_controller_config_client(controller_name)
    @return The parameter configuration client object associated with the specified con-
    troller @rtype ControllerParamConfigClient obj (if None, returns False)

    @param controller_name: name of controller whose config client is required @type
    controller_name: str

get_controller_state()
    Get the status of the current controller, including set points, computed command,
    controller gains etc. See the ControllerStateInfo class (above) parameters for more
    info.

get_current_controller_config_client()
    @return The parameter configuration client object associated with the currently
    active controller @rtype ControllerParamConfigClient obj (if None, returns False)

    @param controller_name: name of controller whose config client is required @type
    controller_name: str

is_loaded(controller_name)
    Check if the given controller is loaded.

    @type controller_name: str @param controller_name: name of controller whose
    status is to be checked @return: True if controller is loaded, False otherwise @rtype:
    bool

is_running(controller_name)
    Check if the given controller is running.

    @type controller_name: str @param controller_name: name of controller whose sta-
    tus is to be checked @return: True if controller is running, False otherwise @rtype:
    bool

list_active_controller_names(only_motion_controllers=False)
    @return List of names active controllers associated to a controller manager names-
    pace. @rtype [str]

    @param only_motion_controller: if True, only motion controllers are returned @type
    only_motion_controller: bool
```

**list\_active\_controllers**(only\_motion\_controllers=False)

@return List of active controllers associated to a controller manager namespace. Contains both stopped/running controllers, as returned by the C{list\_controllers} service, plus uninitialized controllers with configurations loaded in the parameter server. @rtype [ControllerState obj]

@param only\_motion\_controller: if True, only motion controllers are returned @type only\_motion\_controller: bool

**list\_controller\_names**()

@return List of names all controllers associated to a controller manager namespace. @rtype [str]

@param only\_motion\_controller: if True, only motion controllers are returned @type only\_motion\_controller: bool

**list\_controller\_types**()

@return List of controller types associated to a controller manager namespace. Contains both stopped/running/loaded controllers, as returned by the C{list\_controller\_types} service, plus uninitialized controllers with configurations loaded in the parameter server. @rtype [str]

**list\_controllers**()

@return List of controllers associated to a controller manager namespace. Contains both stopped/running controllers, as returned by the C{list\_controllers} service, plus uninitialized controllers with configurations loaded in the parameter server. @rtype [ControllerState obj]

**list\_loaded\_controllers**()

@return List of controller types associated to a controller manager namespace. Contains all loaded controllers, as returned by the C{list\_controller\_types} service, plus uninitialized controllers with configurations loaded in the parameter server. @rtype [str]

**list\_motion\_controllers**()

@return List of motion controllers associated to a controller manager namespace. Contains both stopped/running controllers, as returned by the C{list\_controllers} service, plus uninitialized controllers with configurations loaded in the parameter server. @rtype [ControllerState obj]

**load\_controller**(name)

Loads the specified controller

@type name: str @param name: name of the controller to be loaded

**set\_motion\_controller**(controller\_name)

Set the specified controller as the (only) motion controller

@return: name of currently active controller (can be used to switch back to this later) @rtype: str @type controller\_name: str @param controller\_name: name of controller to start

**start\_controller**(name)

Starts the specified controller

@type name: str @param name: name of the controller to be started

**stop\_controller**(name)

Stops the specified controller

@type name: str @param name: name of the controller to be stopped

**unload\_controller**(name)

Unloads the specified controller

@type name: str @param name: name of the controller to be unloaded

### 3.3 ControllerParamConfigClient

- Get and set the controller parameters (gains) for the active controller

**class** franka\_tools.**ControllerParamConfigClient**(controller\_name)

Interface class for updating dynamically configurable paramters of a controller.

**get\_config**(timeout=5)

@return the currently set values for all paramters from the server @rtype: dict {str : float}

@param timeout: time to wait before giving up on service request @type timeout: float

**get\_controller\_gains**(timeout=5)

@return the currently set values for controller gains from the server @rtype: ([float], [float])

@param timeout: time to wait before giving up on service request @type timeout: float

**get\_joint\_motion\_smoothing\_parameter**(timeout=5)

@return the currently set value for the joint position smoothing parameter from the server. @rtype: float

@param timeout: time to wait before giving up on service request @type timeout: float

**get\_parameter\_descriptions**(timeout=5)

@return the description of each parameter as defined in the cfg file from the server. @rtype: dict {str : str}

@param timeout: time to wait before giving up on service request @type timeout: float

**is\_running**

@return True if client is running / server is unavailable; False otherwise @rtype bool

**set\_controller\_gains**(k\_gains, d\_gains=None)

Update the stiffness and damping parameters of the joints for the current controller.

**@param k\_gains: joint stiffness parameters (should be within limits specified in**

franka documentation; same is also set in franka\_ros\_controllers/cfg/joint\_controller\_params.cfg)

@type k\_gains: [float] @param d\_gains: joint damping parameters (should be within limits specified in

franka documentation; same is also set in franka\_ros\_controllers/cfg/joint\_controller\_params.cfg)

@type d\_gains: [float]

**set\_joint\_motion\_smoothing\_parameter**(value)

Update the joint motion smoothing parameter (only valid for position\_joint\_position\_controller).

**@param value: smoothing factor (should be within limit set** in  
franka\_ros\_controllers/cfg/joint\_controller\_params.cfg)

**@type value:** [float]

**start**(timeout=5)  
Start the dynamic\_reconfigure client

**@param timeout:** time to wait before giving up on service request **@type** timeout:  
float

**update\_config**(\*\*kwargs)  
Update the config in the server using the provided keyword arguments.

**@param \*\*kwargs: These are keyword arguments matching the parameter names**  
in config file: franka\_ros\_controllers/cfg/joint\_controller\_params.cfg

## 3.4 FrankaFramesInterface

- Get and Set end-effector frame and stiffness frame of the robot easily
- Set the frames to known frames (such as links on the robot) directly

**class** franka\_tools.FrankaFramesInterface

Helper class to retrieve and set EE frames

Has to be updated externally each time franka states is updated. This is done by default within the PandaArm class (panda\_robot package: [https://github.com/justagist/panda\\_robot](https://github.com/justagist/panda_robot)).

Note that all controllers have to be unloaded before switching frames. This has to be done externally (also automatically handled in PandaArm class).

**frames\_are\_same**(frame1, frame2)

@return True if two transformation matrices are equal **@rtype:** bool **@param** frame1: 4x4 transformation matrix representing frame1 **@type** frame1: np.ndarray (shape 4x4), or list (flattened column major 4x4) **@param** frame2: 4x4 transformation matrix representing frame2 **@type** frame2: np.ndarray (shape 4x4), or list (flattened column major 4x4)

**get\_EE\_frame**(as\_mat=False)

Get current EE frame transformation matrix in flange frame

**@type** as\_mat: bool **@param** as\_mat: if True, return np array, else as list **@rtype:** [float (16,)] / np.ndarray (4x4) **@return:** transformation matrix of EE frame wrt flange frame (column major)

**get\_K\_frame**(as\_mat=False)

Get current K frame transformation matrix in EE frame

**@type** as\_mat: bool **@param** as\_mat: if True, return np array, else as list **@rtype:** [float (16,)] / np.ndarray (4x4) **@return:** transformation matrix of K frame wrt EE frame

**reset\_EE\_frame**()

Reset EE frame to default. (defined by DEFAULT\_TRANSFORMATIONS.EE\_FRAME global variable defined above)

**@rtype:** bool **@return:** success status of service request

**reset\_K\_frame()**

Reset K frame to default. (defined by **DEFAULT\_K\_FRAME** global variable defined above)

@rtype: bool @return: success status of service request

**set\_EE\_frame(frame)**

Set new EE frame based on the transformation given by 'frame', which is the transformation matrix defining the new desired EE frame with respect to the flange frame.

@type frame: [float (16,)] / np.ndarray (4x4) @param frame: transformation matrix of new EE frame wrt flange frame (column major) @rtype: bool @return: success status of service request

**set\_EE\_frame\_to\_link(frame\_name, timeout=5.0)**

Set new EE frame to the same frame as the link frame given by 'frame\_name' Motion controllers are stopped for switching

@type frame\_name: str @param frame\_name: desired tf frame name in the tf tree @rtype: [bool, str] @return: [success status of service request, error msg if any]

**set\_K\_frame(frame)**

Set new K frame based on the transformation given by 'frame', which is the transformation matrix defining the new desired K frame with respect to the EE frame.

@type frame: [float (16,)] / np.ndarray (4x4) @param frame: transformation matrix of new K frame wrt EE frame @rtype: bool @return: success status of service request

**set\_K\_frame\_to\_link(frame\_name, timeout=5.0)**

Set new K frame to the same frame as the link frame given by 'frame\_name' Motion controllers are stopped for switching

@type frame\_name: str @param frame\_name: desired tf frame name in the tf tree @rtype: [bool, str] @return: [success status of service request, error msg if any]

## 3.5 JointTrajectoryActionClient

- Command robot to given joint position(s) smoothly. (Uses the FollowJointTrajectory service from ROS control\_msgs package)
- Smoothly move to a desired (valid) pose without having to interpolate for smoothness (trajectory interpolation done internally)

```
class franka_tools.JointTrajectoryActionClient(joint_names,  
                                              ns='franka_ros_interface', con-  
                                              troller_name='position_joint_trajectory_controller')
```

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