

Exercise 1

The end-effector of a robot manipulator has an initial orientation specified by the ZXY Euler angles $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\pi/2, \pi/4, -\pi/4)$ [rad] and should reach a final orientation specified by an axis-angle pair (r, θ) , with $r = (0, -\sqrt{2}/2, \sqrt{2}/2)$ and $\theta = \pi/6$ rad. What is the required rotation matrix R_{if} between these two orientations? Represent R_{if} by the RPY-type angles (ϕ, χ, ψ) around the fixed-axes sequence YXY.

The first matrix 0R_i is $R_z(\frac{\pi}{2})R_x(\frac{\pi}{4})R_y(-\frac{\pi}{4}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & -0.7 & 0.5 \\ 0.7 & 0 & -0.7 \\ 0.5 & 0.7 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$

The second is iR_f

$${}^iR_f = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0 & -0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} + (\mathbf{I} - rr^T) \cos \frac{\pi}{6} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\sqrt{2}/2 & -\sqrt{2}/2 \\ \sqrt{2}/2 & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{2}/2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.86 & -0.35 & -0.35 \\ 0.35 & 0.53 & -0.06 \\ 0.35 & -0.06 & 0.93 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_{if} = {}^iR_0 {}^iR_f = {}^0R_i^T {}^iR_f = \begin{bmatrix} 0.85 & 0.44 & 0.24 \\ -0.36 & 0.2 & 0.9 \\ 0.35 & -0.87 & 0.33 \end{bmatrix}$$

The RPY matrices for axes YXY in angles (ϕ, χ, ψ) is :

$$R_y(\psi)R_x(\chi)R_y(\phi) = \begin{pmatrix} -s\phi s\psi c\chi + c\phi c\psi & s\chi s\psi & s\phi c\psi + s\psi c\phi c\chi \\ s\phi s\chi & c\chi & -s\chi c\phi \\ -s\phi c\chi c\psi - s\psi c\phi & s\chi c\psi & -s\phi s\psi + c\phi c\chi c\psi \end{pmatrix}$$

I have to solve $R_{YXY}(\psi, \chi, \phi) = R_{if}$.

Since $\cos \chi = 0.2 \Rightarrow \sin \chi = \pm 0.979 \Rightarrow \chi = \pm 1.369$

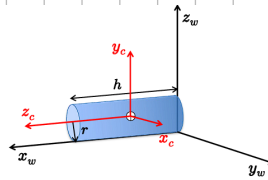
$$\begin{cases} s\phi s\chi = -0.36 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \pm 0.979 \cdot \sin \phi = -0.36 \Rightarrow \mp 0.367 \\ -c\phi s\chi = 0.9 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mp 0.979 \cdot \cos \phi = 0.9 \Rightarrow \mp 0.919 \end{cases} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \chi = 1.369 \Rightarrow \phi = \arctan 2 \{-0.367, -0.919\} = -2.76 \\ \chi = -1.369 \Rightarrow \phi = \arctan 2 \{0.367, 0.919\} = 0.37 \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} s\chi s\psi = 0.44 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \pm 0.979 \sin \psi = 0.44 \Rightarrow \pm 0.449 \\ s\chi c\psi = -0.87 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \pm 0.979 \cos \psi = -0.87 \Rightarrow \mp 0.88 \end{cases} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \chi = 1.369 \Rightarrow \psi = \arctan 2 \{0.449, -0.88\} = 2.66 \\ \chi = -1.369 \Rightarrow \psi = \arctan 2 \{-0.449, 0.88\} = -0.47 \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\phi, \chi, \psi) = (-2.76, 1.369, 2.66) \text{ or } = (0.37, -1.369, -0.47)$$

Exercise 2

A cylinder of height h and radius r lies on the plane (x_w, y_w) in the initial pose shown in Fig. 1, with a frame $RF_c = (x_c, y_c, z_c)$ attached to the geometric center of its body. The cylinder rolls without slipping by a ground distance $d > 0$ in the y_w -direction, and rotates then by an angle ϑ around the original z_w -axis. Finally, a rotation φ is performed around the current direction of the z_c -axis. Determine the expression of the elements of the homogeneous transformation matrix ${}^wT_c(h, r, d, \vartheta, \varphi)$ that characterizes the final pose of the cylinder. Evaluate then wT_c for $h = 0.5$, $r = 0.1$, $d = 1.5$ [m] and $\vartheta = \pi/3$, $\varphi = -\pi/2$ [rad]. Hint: Check your intermediate results with simpler data.



let RF_{cin} to be the Frame of the cylinder at the beginning.

The transformation from RF_w to RF_{cin} is :

$${}^wT_{cin} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & h/2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & r \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ then, if the cylinder rolls towards } y_w = x_c,$$

he performs a rotation around z_c of d/r radians.

$${}^{cin}T_d = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \frac{d}{r} & -\sin \frac{d}{r} & 0 & d \\ \sin \frac{d}{r} & \cos \frac{d}{r} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

the rotation

$$T_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} R_z(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

must be the first in the product since is around the original z_w axis.

The final rotation is $T_\varphi = \begin{bmatrix} R_z(\varphi) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The full transformation is:

$$\begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & h/2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & r \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \cos \frac{d}{r} & -\sin \frac{d}{r} & 0 & d \\ \sin \frac{d}{r} & \cos \frac{d}{r} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

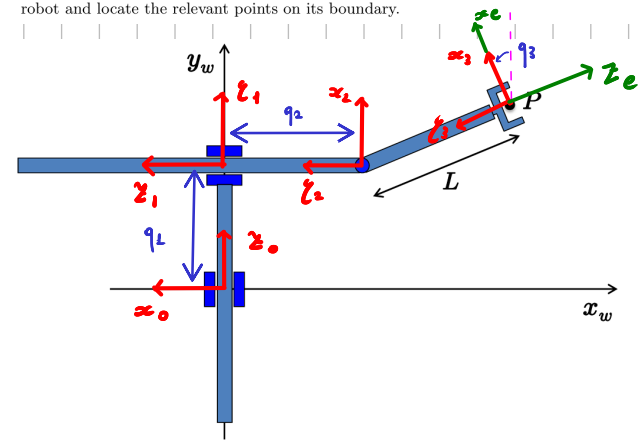
For $h = 0.5$, $r = 0.1$, $d = 1.5$, $\theta = \pi/3$ and $\varphi = -\pi/2$ we have:

$${}^wT_c = \begin{bmatrix} -0.56 & 0.65 & 0.5 & -1.17 \\ 0.32 & -0.37 & 0.86 & 0.96 \\ 0.75 & 0.65 & 0 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercise 3

- Consider the PPR planar robot with a 2-jaw gripper in Fig. 2, shown together with the world frame RF_w .
- Assign the link frames and fill in the associated table of parameters according to the Denavit-Hartenberg (DH) convention (use the extra sheet). The origin of the last DH frame should be placed at the gripper's center (point P). Choose the frames so that there is **no** axis pointing inside the sheet.
- Determine the homogeneous transformation matrices wT_0 and 3T_e , respectively between the world frame RF_w and the zero-th DH frame RF_0 and between the last DH frame RF_3 and the end-effector frame RF_e placed at the gripper, with the usual convention (z_e in the approach direction and y_e in the open/close slide direction of the jaws).
- Provide the direct kinematics for the end-effector position ${}^w p_e \in \mathbb{R}^3$.
- When the two prismatic joints are limited as $q_i \in [q_{i,m}, q_{i,M}]$, under the assumption that $q_{i,M} - q_{i,m} > 2L$, for $i = 1, 2$, and the revolute joint is in the range $q_3 \in [-3\pi/4, 0]$, sketch the primary workspace of this robot and locate the relevant points on its boundary.

	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	$\pi/2$	0	q_1	$\pi/2$
2	$\pi/2$	0	q_2	$\pi/2$
3	0	L	0	q_3



$${}^wT_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

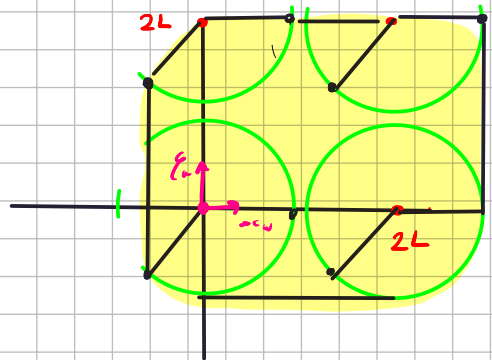
$${}^3T_e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & q_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & q_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos q_3 & -\sin q_3 & 0 & L \cos q_3 \\ \sin q_3 & \cos q_3 & 0 & L \sin q_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sin q_3 & \cos q_3 & 0 & -L \sin q_3 - q_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \cos q_3 & -\sin q_3 & 0 & L \cos q_3 + q_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow I compute ${}^wT_e = {}^wT_0 {}^0T_3 {}^3T_e$

$${}^wT_e = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin q_3 & 0 & \cos q_3 & L \sin q_3 + q_2 \\ \cos q_3 & 0 & \sin q_3 & L \cos q_3 + q_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Exercise 4

With reference to the scheme in Fig. 3, assume that the three toothed gears of the transmission have radius, respectively, $r_m = 0.5$, $r_e = 40$, and $r_l = 10$ [cm]. The motor inertia is $J_m = 7.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$ kgm², while the inertia of the link around its rotation axis is denoted by J_l . An incremental encoder is mounted on the axis of the middle gear. Gravity is absent and inertia and friction of the gears are negligible.

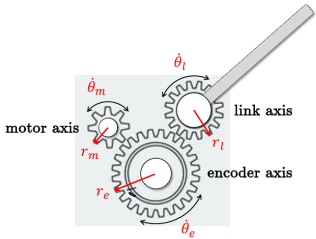


Figure 3: Transmission gears from motor to link, using an incremental encoder.

- What is the value of the link inertia J_l that optimizes torque transmission?
- With this J_l , what is the acceleration $\ddot{\theta}_l$ when the motor delivers on its axis a torque $\tau_m = 10$ [Nm]?
- For a link resolution of 0.01° , how many pulses per turn (with quadrature) should the encoder have?
- With this resolution, what is the average speed $\dot{\theta}_m$ when the encoder increments 100 pulses per second?

$\theta_m = 80 \theta_e$

the ratio is $n_r = \frac{40}{0.5} \cdot \frac{10}{40} = 20 \Rightarrow \theta_m = 20 \theta_L \Rightarrow \theta_L = \frac{\theta_m}{20}$

Assuming n_r is optimal, the optimal J_L is such that $20 = \sqrt{J_L / 7.1 \cdot 10^{-4}} \Rightarrow J_L = 0.284 \text{ kgm}^2$

IF $\tau_m = 10 \text{ Nm} \Rightarrow 10 = (7.1 \cdot 10^{-4} \cdot 20 + \frac{0.284}{20}) \cdot \ddot{\theta}_L \Rightarrow \ddot{\theta}_L = 352 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{second}}$

A link resolution of 0.01° is an encoder resolution of $\Delta \theta_e = \frac{10}{40} \cdot 0.01 = \frac{1}{400}^\circ$

The res. $\Delta \theta_e$ is given by $\Rightarrow \frac{360^\circ}{\text{PPR} \cdot 4} \Rightarrow \text{PPR} = 36\,000$

IF the encoder do 36 000 pulse/second he moves at $360 \frac{\text{degrees}}{\text{second}}$

100 pulses $\Rightarrow \theta_e$ moves 1 degree $\Rightarrow \theta_m$ moves 80 degrees

$\Rightarrow 100 \frac{\text{pulses}}{\text{Sec}} \Rightarrow \dot{\theta}_m = 80 \frac{\text{degrees}}{\text{second}}$

Exercise 5

The RPPR spatial robot shown in Fig. 4 has the DH parameters given in Tab. 1.

- Draw the corresponding DH frames (use the extra sheet) and give the values, or at least the signs, of the components of \mathbf{q} in the shown configuration.
- Consider the task vector

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ p_z \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin q_1 q_3 + L \cos q_1 \cos q_4 \\ -\cos q_1 q_3 + L \sin q_1 \cos q_4 \\ q_2 + L \sin q_4 \\ q_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Solve the inverse kinematics problem in closed form for a given $\mathbf{r}_d \in \mathbb{R}^4$, determining also the possible singular situations. With $L = 1.5$ m, provide the numerical solutions for these data: $\mathbf{r}_{d1} = (2, 2, 4, -\pi/4)$, $\mathbf{r}_{d2} = (0, 0, 3, \pi/2)$, $\mathbf{r}_{d3} = (1, 1, 2, 0)$, and $\mathbf{r}_{d4} = (0, 1.5, 4, 0)$ [m,m,m,rad].

$q_4 = \alpha \Rightarrow q_2 = p_z - L \sin \alpha, \quad \cos \alpha = u$

then $p_x^2 + p_y^2 = q_3^2 \sin^2 q_1 + L^2 \cos^2 q_1 u^2 + q_3^2 \cos^2 q_1 + L^2 u^2 \sin^2 q_1$

$p_x^2 + p_y^2 = q_3^2 + L^2 u^2 \Rightarrow q_3 = \pm \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - L^2 u^2} = \pm v$

$u = \cos q_1$
 $v = \sin q_1$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} p_x = \pm v \sin q_1 + L u \cos q_1 \\ p_y = \mp v \cos q_1 + L u \sin q_1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} p_x = v \sin q_1 + L u \cos q_1 \\ p_y = -v \cos q_1 + L u \sin q_1 \end{cases} \begin{cases} L u u + v v = p_x \\ -v u + L u v = p_y \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} p_x = -v \sin q_1 + L u \cos q_1 \\ p_y = v \cos q_1 + L u \sin q_1 \end{cases} \begin{cases} L u u - v v = p_x \\ v u + L u v = p_y \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L u x + v y = p_x \\ -v x + L u y = p_y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \det = L^2 u^2 + v^2 \text{ should be not zero}$$

$$\begin{cases} L u x - v y = p_x \\ v x + L u y = p_y \end{cases}$$

$$(*) \Rightarrow x = \frac{v p_y - L u p_x}{L^2 u^2 + v^2} \quad y = \frac{L u p_y + v p_x}{L^2 u^2 + v^2}$$

$$\text{Let } L=1.5, \quad v_0 = 2, 2, 4, -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_1 = -\frac{\pi}{4} \quad q_2 = p_2 - L \sin \alpha = 5.06 \quad u = \cos(-\frac{\pi}{4}) = 0.707$$

$$q_3 = \pm \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - L^2 u^2} = \pm \sqrt{4 + 4 - (1.5 \cdot 0.707)^2} = \pm 2.622$$

$$\begin{cases} p_x = \pm v \sin q_1 + L u \cos q_1 \\ p_y = \mp v \cos q_1 + L u \sin q_1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2 = 2.622 \cdot y + 1.06 x \\ 2 = -2.622 x + 1.06 y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \cos q_1 = -0.33 \\ y = \sin q_1 = 0.92 \end{cases} \Rightarrow q_1 = 1.971$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2 = -2.622 \cdot y + 1.06 x \\ 2 = 2.622 x + 1.06 y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \cos q_1 = 0.92 \\ y = \sin q_1 = -0.33 \end{cases} \Rightarrow q_1 = -0.4$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \\ q_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.971 \\ 5.06 \\ 2.622 \\ -\pi/4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -0.4 \\ 5.06 \\ -2.622 \\ -\pi/4 \end{bmatrix}$$