

Since I have already taken the midterm, I will only be completing the exercises related to the second part of the course (from differential kinematics onwards).

Exercise #2

A planar RPR robot is shown in Fig. 2, together with the definition of the joint coordinates¹. The third link has length $L = 0.6$ [m]. The robot has to execute two different tasks, with the end effector placed at the point $P_d = (2, 0.4)$ [m] and pointing downward.

- In the first task, the robot end effector should start moving inside a tube with a vertical speed $v = -2.5$ [m/s]. Determine the initial joint velocity $\dot{q} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ that realizes this instantaneous motion.
- In the second task, the robot should keep its initial configuration in the presence of an horizontal force $f = 15$ [N] and a torque $\mu = 6$ [Nm] applied to its end effector. Determine the joint commands $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^3$ (two torques and a force) needed for static balance.

Comments that justify intuitively some of the obtained results are welcome!

The DK of the manipulator is

$$\mathbf{f}_r(q) = \begin{pmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} q_2 C_1 + L C_{13} \\ q_2 S_1 + L S_{13} \\ q_3 \cdot q_3 \end{cases} . \text{ I solve the IK For } \mathbf{r}_d = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0.4 \\ -r_{12} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2 = q_2 C_1 + 0.6 C_{13} \\ 0.4 = q_2 S_1 + 0.6 S_{13} \\ -r_{12} = q_3 \cdot q_3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} q_2 C_1 = 2 \\ q_2 S_1 = 1.2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow q_2^2 = 4 + 1.2^2 \Rightarrow q_2^* = \frac{2}{\sqrt{134}} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} q_1^* = 2 \tan^{-1} \{1, 2, 2\} : 0.54041 \Rightarrow \\ q_3^* = -2.1112 \end{cases}$$

the Jacobian matrix is $\mathbf{J} = \begin{pmatrix} -q_2 S_1 - L S_{13} & C_1 & -L S_{13} \\ q_2 C_1 + L C_{13} & S_1 & L C_{13} \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ In $q^* : \mathbf{J}(q^*) = \begin{pmatrix} -0.4 & 0.9002 & 0.6 \\ 2 & 0.4353 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

For the first task, we want to realize $\dot{\mathbf{r}} = (0, -2.5, 0)^T$. So :

$$\dot{q} = \mathbf{J}^{-1}(q^*) \dot{\mathbf{r}} = \begin{pmatrix} -1.006 \\ -1.1182 \\ 1.006 \end{pmatrix}$$

For the second task, the robot should resist a twist of $w = (15, 0, 6)$, so it should provide a torque that generate $w_d = (-15, 0, -6)$.

Since $\mathbf{J}^T F = \tau$ we have:

$$\mathbf{J}^T(q^*) w_d = \begin{pmatrix} -0.4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0.9002 & 0.4353 & 0 \\ 0.6 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -15 \\ 0 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -13.5 \\ -15 \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise #3

Plan a smooth rest-to-rest trajectory along a linear path from point $A = (1, 1, 1)$ [m] to point $B = (-1, 5, 0)$ [m], with simultaneous and coordinated change of orientation from

$$\mathbf{R}_A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

to

$$\mathbf{R}_B = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The total motion time is $T = 2.5$ [s]. The trajectory should be continuous up to the acceleration for all $t \in [0, T]$. Determine the velocity $\mathbf{v}_M \in \mathbb{R}^3$, acceleration $\mathbf{a}_M \in \mathbb{R}^3$, angular velocity $\omega_M \in \mathbb{R}^3$, and angular acceleration $\dot{\omega}_M \in \mathbb{R}^3$ attained at the time instant(s) when these four vectors assume, respectively, their maximum value in norm. Compute also the absolute orientation $\mathbf{R}_{mid} \in SO(3)$ at the midpoint of the planned trajectory.

$$\Delta p = B - A$$

Linear Path) I consider $p(s) = A + \Delta p (-2\tau^3 + 3\tau^2)$ $\tau = \frac{t}{T} \in [0, 1]$, $t \in [0, T]$.

Explicitly:

$$p(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \left(-\frac{16}{125} t^3 + \frac{12}{25} t^2 \right)$$

$$\dot{p}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \left(-\frac{48}{125} t^2 + \frac{24}{25} t \right)$$

$$\ddot{p}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \left(-\frac{96}{125} t + \frac{24}{25} \right)$$

$$\dddot{p}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1.536 \\ -3.072 \\ 0.768 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{i consider } \dot{v}^2(t) = \|\ddot{p}(t)\|^2 = \left(\frac{48}{125} t^4 + \left(\frac{24}{25}\right)^2 t^2 - 2 \left(\frac{48 \cdot 24}{125 \cdot 25}\right) t^3 \right) 21$$

$$\dot{v}^2(t) = 12.386 t^3 + 38.707 t - 46.448 t^2$$

$$\dot{v}^2(t) = 0 \Rightarrow t = 1.25 \Rightarrow \max |\ddot{q}| = v(1.25) = 2.7435$$

$$\text{Now i consider } \ddot{a}^2(t) = \|\ddot{p}(t)\|^2 = \left(\left(\frac{96}{125}\right)^2 t^2 + \left(\frac{24}{25}\right)^2 - \frac{2304}{3125} t \right) 21 \Rightarrow \max |\ddot{q}| = 2(0.625) = 14.5152$$

$$\ddot{a}^2(t) = \left(2 \left(\frac{96}{125}\right)^2 t - \frac{2304}{3125} \right) 21 = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0.625$$

Angular path)

$$\text{I consider } {}^A R_B = R_A^T R_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Now i look for } r, \theta \text{ s.t. } R(\theta, r) = {}^A R_B$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{trace}({}^A R_B) = 1 + 2 \cos \theta_{AB} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 1 + 2 \cos \theta_{AB} \Rightarrow \cos \theta_{AB} = -\frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{4} \Rightarrow \sin \theta_{AB} = 0.521 \Rightarrow \theta_{AB} = 2.5935$$

$$\text{then: } r: \frac{1}{2 \sin \theta_{AB}} \begin{pmatrix} R_{32} - R_{23} \\ R_{13} - R_{31} \\ R_{21} - R_{12} \end{pmatrix} = 0.5595 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.6784 \\ 0.6784 \\ 0.28103 \end{pmatrix}$$

I consider the trajectory $R(t) = R_A R(\theta(t), r)$ where

$$\theta(t) = \theta_{AB} \left(-2 \frac{t^3}{T^3} + 3 \frac{t^2}{T^2} \right) \text{ so } R(0) = R_A \quad R(T) = R_A {}^A R_B = R_B.$$

it's a rotation along r so the angular speed is $\omega(t) = r \dot{\theta}(t)$

$$\omega(t) = r \left(-0.5559 t^2 + 2.48976 t \right), \quad \dot{\omega}(t) = r \left(-1.3359 t + 2.48976 \right)$$

the max speed is reached at $t = \frac{T}{2} = 1.25$

the max accel. is reached at $t = 0$ or $t = 2.5$

$$\omega(1.25) = \begin{pmatrix} -1.0555 \\ 1.0555 \\ 0.4372 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \max \|\omega\| = 1.5554$$

$$\dot{\omega}(T) = \begin{pmatrix} -1.656 \\ 1.646 \\ 0.7025 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \max \|\dot{\omega}\| = 2.5$$

$$R_{mid} = R(1.25) = R_A R(\theta(1.25), r) = R_A R(1.2567, r) = R_A (r^T + (I - rr^T) \cdot 0.2706 + S(r) \cdot 0.5626)$$

$$= R_A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0.6062 & -0.606 & 0.5138 \\ -0.065 & 0.6062 & 0.7924 \\ -0.792 & -0.513 & 0.3282 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.065 & 0.6062 & 0.7924 \\ 0.6062 & -0.606 & 0.5138 \\ 0.792 & 0.513 & -0.3282 \end{pmatrix}$$