

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).

Question #5 [all students]

The direct kinematics and the initial configuration of a planar RP robot are given by

$$p = f(q) = \begin{pmatrix} q_2 \cos q_1 \\ q_2 \sin q_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad q^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/4 \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix},$$

where $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ is a very small number. Given the following desired end-effector positions,

$$p_{d,I} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad p_{d,II} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

compute the first iteration (i.e., $q^{(1)}$) of a Newton method and of a Gradient method for solving the two inverse kinematics problems. Discuss what happens in each of the four cases when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

the newton method use the following rule:

$$q^{k+1} = q^k + J^{-1}(q^k)(p_d - f_r(q^k)) \quad \text{so, for } p_{d,I}: \quad f_r(q^0) = \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q_I^1 = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/4 \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\varepsilon\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\varepsilon\sqrt{2}} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\varepsilon\sqrt{2}}{2\varepsilon\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\varepsilon\sqrt{2}}{2\varepsilon\sqrt{2}} + \pi/4 \\ 2/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/4 + 1 \\ 2/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

for $p_{d,II} \Rightarrow$

$$q_{II}^1 = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/4 \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\varepsilon\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\varepsilon\sqrt{2}} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{\varepsilon\sqrt{2}} + 1 + \frac{\pi}{4} \\ 2/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} q_{II}^1 = \begin{pmatrix} \infty \\ 2/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{undefined } f(q)$$

the gradient have the rule:

$$q^{k+1} = q^k + \alpha J^T(q^k)(p_d - f_r(q^k))$$

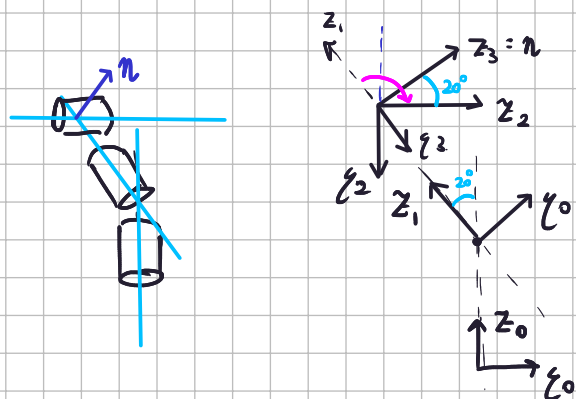
$$q_I^1 = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \sqrt{2}/2 & \sqrt{2}/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon \sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 + \alpha \varepsilon \sqrt{2} \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} \quad \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} q_I^1 = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow f(q) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$q_{II}^1 = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \sqrt{2}/2 & \sqrt{2}/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 - \varepsilon \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 \\ \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sqrt{2} - \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi/2 \\ \alpha \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Question #6 [all students]

The 3R robotic device in Fig. 3 has joint axes that intersect two by two. The second joint axis is inclined by an angle $\delta \approx 20^\circ$. This structure is mainly intended for pointing the final axis n at a moving target in 3D. Provide the explicit expression of the square angular part $J_A(q)$ of the geometric Jacobian of this robot. Find the singularities, if any, of the mapping $\omega = J_A(q)\dot{q}$. Compute the relation between $\dot{q} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and the time derivative \dot{n} of the pointing axis.

We notice that, since we are interested only in the angular part, we can ignore the link lengths.



Joints	α_i	a_i	d_i	θ_i	
1	20°	0	0	q^1	$\begin{cases} \cos(20^\circ) = 0.939 \\ \sin(20^\circ) = 0.342 \\ \cos(-110^\circ) = -0.342 \\ \sin(-110^\circ) = -0.939 \end{cases}$
2	-110°	0	0	q^2	
3	20°	0	0	q^3	

$${}^0R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} C_1 & -0.939S_1 & 0.342S_1 \\ S_1 & 0.939C_1 & -0.342C_1 \\ 0 & 0.342 & 0.939 \end{pmatrix} \quad {}^1R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} C_2 & 0.342S_2 & -0.939S_2 \\ S_2 & -0.342C_2 & 0.939C_2 \\ 0 & -0.939 & -0.342 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$${}^2R_3 = \begin{pmatrix} C_3 & -0.939S_3 & 0.342S_3 \\ S_3 & 0.939C_3 & -0.342C_3 \\ 0 & 0.342 & 0.939 \end{pmatrix}$$

$${}^0R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} C_1 & -0.939S_1 & 0.342S_1 \\ S_1 & 0.939C_1 & -0.342C_1 \\ 0 & 0.342 & 0.939 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_2 & 0.342S_2 & -0.939S_2 \\ S_2 & -0.342C_2 & 0.939C_2 \\ 0 & -0.939 & -0.342 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{I denote } \begin{matrix} a = 0.939 \\ b = 0.342 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} C_1C_2 - aS_1S_2 & bC_1S_2 + dS_1C_2 - abS_1 & -aC_1S_2 - a^2S_1C_2 - b^2S_1 \\ S_1C_2 + aC_1S_2 & bS_1S_2 - dC_1C_2 + dC_1 & -aS_1S_2 + a^2C_1C_2 + b^2C_1 \\ bS_2 & -b^2C_2 - a^2 & dC_2 - d \end{pmatrix} \quad d = ab = 0.321138$$

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 Z_1

$${}^0R_3 = {}^0R_2 {}^2R_3 \quad \text{I take only the last column}$$

$$Z_2 = \begin{pmatrix} C_1C_2 - aS_1S_2 & bC_1S_2 + dS_1C_2 - abS_1 & -aC_1S_2 - a^2S_1C_2 - b^2S_1 \\ S_1C_2 + aC_1S_2 & bS_1S_2 - dC_1C_2 + dC_1 & -aS_1S_2 + a^2C_1C_2 + b^2C_1 \\ bS_2 & -b^2C_2 - a^2 & dC_2 - d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.342S_3 \\ -0.342C_3 \\ 0.939 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} bS_3(C_1C_2 - aS_1S_2) - bC_3(bC_1S_2 + dS_1C_2 - abS_1) + a(-aC_1S_2 - a^2S_1C_2 - b^2S_1) \\ bS_3(S_1C_2 + aC_1S_2) - bC_3(bS_1S_2 - dC_1C_2 + dC_1) + a(-aS_1S_2 + a^2C_1C_2 + b^2C_1) \\ b^2S_2S_3 - bC_3(-b^2C_2 - a^2) + ad(C_2 - 1) \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow J_A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \end{matrix}$$

Question #8 [all students]

The planar 3R robot with unitary link lengths shown in Fig. 4 is initially in the configuration $q_{in} = (-\pi/9, 11\pi/18, -\pi/4)$. Commanded by a joint velocity $\dot{q}(t)$ that uses feedback from the current $q(t)$, the robot should perform a self-motion so as to reach asymptotically the final value $q_{3,fin} = -\pi/2$ for the third joint, while keeping the position of its end-effector always at the same initial point P_{in} . Verify first that such task is feasible. Design then a control scheme that completes the task in a robust way, i.e., by rejecting also possible transient errors and without encountering any singular situation in which the control law is ill conditioned. Hint: Use an approach based on joint space decomposition.

First, I need P_{in} . $q_1 + q_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ $q_1 + q_2 + q_3 = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$P_{in} = f_r(q_{in}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1.6467 \\ 1.365 \\ \pi/4 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ I check if exists } q^* \text{ s.t. } q_3^* = -\pi/2 \text{ and } f(q^*) = P_{in}$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 + \cos(q_1 + q_2 - \frac{\pi}{2}) = 1.6467 \\ s_1 + s_2 + \sin(q_1 + q_2 - \frac{\pi}{2}) = 1.365 \\ q_1 + q_2 - \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} q_1 + q_2 + q_3 = \frac{\pi}{4} \\ q_1 + q_2 = q_1 + \frac{3}{4}\pi - q_1 = \frac{3}{4}\pi \\ q_2 = \frac{3}{4}\pi - q_1 \end{cases} \quad q_2 = 2.385$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = 1.6467 \\ s_1 + \sqrt{2} = 1.365 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = 1.6467 \\ s_1 = -0.049 \end{cases} \Rightarrow q_1 = \arctan2 \left\{ -0.049, 1.6467 \right\} = -0.029 \quad \uparrow$$

→ it's possible

The error on the joint space is $e_3 = -\pi/2 - q_3$

The error on the task space is $e_p = P_{in} - p$.

$$\Rightarrow \dot{q} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ q_3 + \pi/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

On the task space:

$$\dot{p} = -K e_p \quad \text{with } e_p = p - P_{in}$$

$$J \dot{q} = -K e_p \Rightarrow \dot{q} = -J^\# K e_p$$

$$\dot{e}_p = \dot{p} = J \dot{q} = -J J^\# K e_p = -K e_p \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e_p = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{q} = \beta (-J^\# K e_p) + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ q_3 + \pi/2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha + \beta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{q} = -\beta J^\# e_p + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ q_3 + \pi/2 \end{pmatrix} = -\beta J^\# (p - P_{in}) + \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ q_3 + \pi/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

