

$$\begin{aligned} (\sin(x))' &= -\cos(x) \\ (\cos(x))' &= \sin(x) \end{aligned}$$

## 1 Parametrizations

### 1.1 Position and velocity

For every position parametrization, there is a linear mapping between linear velocities  $\dot{\mathbf{r}}$  and derivatives of the representation  $\dot{\mathbf{x}}$ .

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{E}_P(\chi_P) \dot{\chi}_P, \quad \dot{\chi}_P = \mathbf{E}_P(\chi_P)^{-1} \dot{\mathbf{r}}$$

**Cartesian Coordinates:**  $\mathbf{E}_{P_c} = \mathbb{I}$

$$\chi_{P_c} = [x \ y \ z]^T, \quad \mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{r}} = [x \ y \ z]^T$$

**Cylindrical coordinates:**

$$\chi_{P_z} = [\rho \ \theta \ z]^T,$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{r}} = [\rho \cos \theta \ \rho \sin \theta \ z]^T$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{P_z} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\rho \sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \rho \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{P_z}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta / \rho & \cos \theta / \rho & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Spherical coordinates:**

$$\chi_{P_s} = [r \ \theta \ \phi]^T,$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{r}} = [r \cos \theta \sin \phi \ r \sin \theta \cos \phi \ z]^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \sin \phi & -r \sin \theta \sin \phi & r \cos \theta \cos \phi \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi & r \cos \theta \sin \phi & r \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ \cos \theta & 0 & -r \sin \phi \\ \cos \theta \sin \phi & \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \phi \\ -\sin \theta / (r \sin \phi) & \cos \theta / (r \sin \phi) & 0 \\ (\cos \theta \cos \phi) / r & (\cos \theta \sin \phi) / r & -\sin \phi / r \end{bmatrix}$$

### 1.2 Rotation

$\text{atan2}(y, x) := \text{atan}(\frac{y}{x})$ , checking for correct quadrant.

$$\mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{C}_{AC} \cdot \mathcal{C}^{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{C}_{AB} \mathbf{C}_{BC} \cdot \mathcal{C}^{\mathbf{u}}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{BA} = \mathbf{C}_{AB}^{-1} = \mathbf{C}_{AB}^T$$

**Elementary rotations:**

$$\mathbf{C}_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ 0 & \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_y = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \varphi & 0 & \sin \varphi \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & 0 & \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_z = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi & 0 \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Euler ZYZ (proper) angles:**

$$\chi_{R,ZYZ} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{atan2}(c_{23}, c_{13}) \\ \text{atan2}(\sqrt{c_{13}^2 + c_{23}^2}, c_{33}) \\ \text{atan2}(c_{32}, -c_{31}) \end{pmatrix}$$

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**Euler ZYX (Tait-Bryan) angles:**

$$\chi_{R,ZYX} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{atan2}(c_{21}, c_{11}) \\ \text{atan2}(-c_{31}, \sqrt{c_{32}^2 + c_{33}^2}) \\ \text{atan2}(c_{32}, c_{33}) \end{pmatrix}$$

**Euler XYZ (Cardan) angles:**

$$\chi_{R,XYZ} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{atan2}(-c_{23}, c_{33}) \\ \text{atan2}(c_{13}, \sqrt{c_{11}^2 + c_{12}^2}) \\ \text{atan2}(c_{12}, -c_{11}) \end{pmatrix}$$

**Angle-axis:**

$$\chi_{R,AA} = \begin{pmatrix} \theta \\ \mathbf{n} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{2 \sin(\theta)} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c_{32} - c_{23} \\ c_{31} - c_{13} \\ c_{21} - c_{12} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\theta = \text{acos}(\frac{c_{11} + c_{22} + c_{33} - 1}{2}), \quad \varphi = \theta \cdot \mathbf{n}$$

**Unit Quaternions:**

$$\chi_{R,quat} = \xi = \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \xi \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ -\xi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xi_0 = \cos(\theta/2), \quad \xi = \mathbf{n} \cdot \sin(\theta/2)$$

$$\chi_{R,quat} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{c_{11} + c_{22} + c_{33} + 1} \\ \text{sgn}(c_{32} - c_{23}) \sqrt{c_{11} - c_{22} - c_{33} + 1} \\ \text{sgn}(c_{13} - c_{31}) \sqrt{c_{22} - c_{11} - c_{33} + 1} \\ \text{sgn}(c_{21} - c_{12}) \sqrt{c_{33} - c_{11} - c_{22} + 1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xi_{AB} \otimes \xi_{BC} = \begin{bmatrix} \xi_0 & -\xi_1 & -\xi_2 & -\xi_3 \\ \xi_1 & \xi_0 & -\xi_3 & \xi_2 \\ \xi_2 & \xi_3 & \xi_0 & -\xi_1 \\ \xi_3 & -\xi_2 & \xi_1 & \xi_0 \end{bmatrix}_{AB} \begin{bmatrix} \xi_0 \\ \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{bmatrix}_{BC}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{r}} \end{pmatrix} = \xi_{AB} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mathcal{B}^{\mathbf{r}} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \xi_{AB}^{-1}$$

### 1.3 Angular Velocity

$$[{}_{\mathcal{A}}\omega_{AB}]_{\times} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_z & \omega_y \\ \omega_z & 0 & -\omega_x \\ -\omega_y & \omega_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \dot{\mathbf{C}}_{AB} \mathbf{C}_{AB}^T$$

$${}_{\mathcal{A}}\omega_{AB} = \mathbf{E}_R(\chi_R) \dot{\chi}_R$$

### 1.4 Transformations

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{r}_{AP}} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_{AB} & \mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{r}_{AB}} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{T}_{AB}} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{B}^{\mathbf{r}_{BP}} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_{AB}^T & \underbrace{-\mathbf{C}_{AB}^T \mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{r}_{AB}}}_{\mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{r}_{BA}}} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2 Kinematics

### 2.1 Velocity in rigid bodies

- $\mathbf{v}_P$ : abs. velocity of P
- $\mathbf{a}_P$ : abs. acceleration of P
- $\Omega_{\mathcal{B}} = {}_{\mathcal{I}}\omega_{\mathcal{B}}$ : angular vel. of frame  $\mathcal{B}$
- $\Psi_{\mathcal{B}} = \Omega_{\mathcal{B}}$ : angular accel. of frame  $\mathcal{B}$

$${}_{\mathcal{A}}\mathbf{v}_{AP} = {}_{\mathcal{A}}(\dot{\mathbf{r}}_{AP}) = {}_{\mathcal{A}}\mathbf{v}_{AB} + {}_{\mathcal{A}}\omega_{AB} \times {}_{\mathcal{A}}\mathbf{r}_{BP}$$

In general, unless  $\mathcal{C}$  is an inertial frame:

$${}_{\mathcal{C}}\mathbf{v}_{AP} = {}_{\mathcal{C}}(\dot{\mathbf{r}}_{AP}) \neq \frac{d}{dt}({}_{\mathcal{C}}\mathbf{r}_{AP})$$

In rigid body formulation:

$$\mathbf{v}_P = \mathbf{v}_B + \Omega \times \mathbf{r}_{BP}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_P = \mathbf{a}_B + \Psi \times \mathbf{r}_{BP} + \Omega \times (\Omega \times \mathbf{r}_{BP})$$

In a kinematic chain:

$${}_{\mathcal{I}}\mathbf{v}_{IE} = {}_{\mathcal{I}}\omega_{I1} \times \mathcal{I}^{\mathbf{r}_{12}} + \dots + {}_{\mathcal{I}}\omega_{In} \times \mathcal{I}^{\mathbf{r}_{nE}}$$

$${}_{\mathcal{I}}\omega_{IE} = {}_{\mathcal{I}}\omega_{I1} + {}_{\mathcal{I}}\omega_{12} + \dots + {}_{\mathcal{I}}\omega_{nE}$$

### 2.2 Forward kinematics

$$\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{IE}}(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{I}0} \left( \prod_{k=1}^{n_j} \mathbf{T}_{k-1,k}(q_k) \right) \mathbf{T}_{n_j \mathcal{E}}$$

### 2.3 Analytical Jacobian

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \dot{\mathbf{q}} = J_A(\mathbf{q}) \cdot \dot{\mathbf{q}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{pos}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{rot}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \end{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

### 2.4 Geometric Jacobian

$$\mathbf{w}_E = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_E \\ \omega_E \end{bmatrix} = J_0(\mathbf{q}) \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$J_0(\mathbf{q}) = \begin{bmatrix} J_{0,P} \\ J_{0,R} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{n}_1 \times \mathbf{r}_{1,E} & \dots & \mathbf{n}_n \times \mathbf{r}_{n,E} \\ \mathbf{n}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{n}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

### 2.5 Inverse differential kinematics

$$\mathbf{w}_E = J \dot{\mathbf{q}} \Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{q}} = J^+ \mathbf{w}_E$$

where  $J^+ = J^T(JJ^T)^{-1}$  (Moore-Penrose). However we risk encountering singular configurations  $\mathbf{q}_s$  where  $\text{rank}(J(\mathbf{q}_s)) < m_0$ ,  $m_0$  being the number of operational-space coordinates. Here  $J$  is badly conditioned. We can mitigate this by using a redundant robot to carefully avoid singularities, and/or by damping the pseudo-inverse:

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = J^T(JJ^T + \lambda^2 \mathbb{I})^{-1} \mathbf{w}_E$$

Now the pseudo-inverse minimizes  $\|\mathbf{w}_E^* - J\dot{\mathbf{q}}\|^2 + \lambda^2 \|\dot{\mathbf{q}}\|^2$  instead of just  $\|\mathbf{w}_E^* - J\dot{\mathbf{q}}\|^2$ , so convergence is slower but more stable for larger  $\lambda$ .

In a redundant configuration  $\mathbf{q}^*$  where  $\text{rank}(J(\mathbf{q}^*)) < n$ , the pseudoinverse minimizes  $\|\dot{\mathbf{q}}\|^2$  while satisfying  $\mathbf{w}_E^* = J\dot{\mathbf{q}}$  by using

$$J(J^+ \mathbf{w}_E^* + N\dot{\mathbf{q}}_0) = \mathbf{w}_E^* \quad \forall \dot{\mathbf{q}}_0$$

where  $N = \mathbb{I} - J^+ J$ .

## 2.6 Multi-task IDK

Given  $n_t$  tasks  $\{J_i, \mathbf{w}_i^*\}$ , we have:

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \begin{bmatrix} J_1 \\ \vdots \\ J_{n_t} \end{bmatrix}^+ \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}_1^* \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{w}_{n_t}^* \end{pmatrix}$$

In case the row-rank of the stacked Jacobian is greater than the column-rank, we are only minimizing  $\|\bar{\mathbf{w}} - \bar{J}\dot{\mathbf{q}}\|^2$ . We can weigh the tasks with

$$\bar{J}^+ W = (\bar{J}^T W \bar{J})^{-1} \bar{J}^T W$$

where  $W = \text{diag}(w_1, \dots, w_m)$  and we minimize  $\|W^{1/2}(\bar{\mathbf{w}} - \bar{J}\dot{\mathbf{q}})\|^2$ .

### Task Prioritization

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = J_1^+ \mathbf{w}_1^* + N_1 \dot{\mathbf{q}}_0$$

$$\mathbf{w}_2 = J_2 \dot{\mathbf{q}} = J_2(J_1^+ \mathbf{w}_1^* + N_1 \dot{\mathbf{q}}_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{q}}_0 = (J_2 N_1)^+ (\mathbf{w}_2^* - J_2 J_1^+ \mathbf{w}_1^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{q}} = J_1^+ \mathbf{w}_1^* + N_1 (J_2 N_1)^+ (\mathbf{w}_2^* - J_2 J_1^+ \mathbf{w}_1^*)$$

In general:

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_t} \bar{N}_i \dot{\mathbf{q}}_i$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}}_i = (J_i \bar{N}_i)^+ \left( \mathbf{w}_i^* - J_i \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \bar{N}_k \dot{\mathbf{q}}_k \right)$$

### 2.7 Inverse Kinematics

1.  $\mathbf{q} \leftarrow \mathbf{q}^0$
2. While  $\|\chi_e^* \ominus \chi_e(\mathbf{q})\| > \text{tol}$  do
3.  $J_A \leftarrow J_A(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{\partial \chi_e}{\partial \mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{q})$
4.  $J_A^+ \leftarrow (J_A)^+$
5.  $\Delta \chi_e \leftarrow \chi_e^* \ominus \chi_e(\mathbf{q})$
6.  $\mathbf{q} \leftarrow \mathbf{q} + J_A^+ \Delta \chi_e$

One issue is that for very large errors  $\Delta \chi_e$ , we get too imprecise. We can avoid this by scaling the update with a factor  $0 < k < 1$ :  $\mathbf{q} \leftarrow \mathbf{q} + k J_A^+ \Delta \chi_e$ . But we still have issues inverting  $J_A$  in singular configurations. An alternative is  $\mathbf{q} \leftarrow \mathbf{q} + \alpha J_A^T \Delta \chi_e$ , which converges for small  $\alpha$ . We must also appropriately compute the difference  $\chi_e^* \ominus \chi_e(\mathbf{q})$  depending on the parametrization. For cartesian coordinates, this is regular vector subtraction. Also note that with cartesian coordinates  $J_{0,P} = J_{A,P}$ . For rotational difference we can extract the rotation vector  $\Delta \varphi$  from the "rotation difference", and use that for the update:

$$\mathbf{C}_{GS}(\Delta \varphi) = \mathbf{C}_{GI}(\varphi^*) \mathbf{C}_{SI}(\varphi^t)$$

$$\mathbf{q} \leftarrow \mathbf{q} + k_{PR} J_{0,R}^+ \Delta \varphi$$

### 2.8 Trajectory control

Position: with  $\Delta \mathbf{r}_e^t = \mathbf{r}_e^*(t) - \mathbf{r}_e(\mathbf{q}^t)$

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}}^* = J_{e0P}^+ (\mathbf{q}^t) (\dot{\mathbf{r}}_e^*(t) + k_{pP} \Delta \mathbf{r}_e^t)$$

Orientation: with  $\Delta \varphi$  as above,

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}}^* = J_{e0R}^+ (\mathbf{q}^t) (\omega_e^*(t) + k_{pR} \Delta \varphi)$$

## 3 Dynamics

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q}) \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{q}) = \boldsymbol{\tau} + \mathbf{J}_c(\mathbf{q})^T \mathbf{F}_c$$

- $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times n_q}$  Mass matrix ( $\perp$ ).
- $\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, \ddot{\mathbf{q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q}$  Gen. pos., vel., accel.
- $\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q}$  Coriolis and centrifugal terms
- $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{q}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q}$  Gravity terms
- $\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q}$  External generalized forces
- $\mathbf{F}_c \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times n_c}$  External cartesian forces
- $\mathbf{J}_c(\mathbf{q}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c \times n_q}$  Geometric Jacobian of location where external forces apply

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_s \\ \mathbf{v}_r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J_P \\ J_R \end{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_s \\ \boldsymbol{\Psi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_s \\ \dot{\boldsymbol{\Omega}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J_P \\ J_R \end{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \begin{bmatrix} \dot{J}_P \\ \dot{J}_R \end{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

## Newton-Euler method

- $m$  body mass
- $\Theta_S$  inertia matrix around CoG
- $\mathbf{p}_S = m\mathbf{v}_S$  linear momentum
- $\mathbf{N}_S = \Theta_S \cdot \Omega$  angular momentum around CoG
- $\dot{\mathbf{p}} = m\mathbf{a}_S$  change in linear momentum
- $\dot{\mathbf{N}}_S = \Theta_S \cdot \Psi + \Omega \times \Theta_S \cdot \Omega$  change in angular momentum

Cut each link free as a single rigid body, and introduce constraint forces  $\mathbf{F}_i$  acting on the body at the joint. Then apply conservation of linear and angular momentum in all DoFs subject to all external forces (*including* constraints  $\mathbf{F}_i$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{p}}_S &= \mathbf{F}_{ext,S} \\ \dot{\mathbf{N}}_S &= \mathbf{T}_{ext}\end{aligned}$$

For calculations all quantities must be in the same coordinate system. For the inertia matrix we have  ${}_{\mathcal{B}}\Theta = {}_{\mathcal{B}}\mathbf{C}_{BA} \cdot {}_{\mathcal{A}}\Theta \cdot {}_{\mathcal{B}}\mathbf{C}_{BA}^T$ .

## Lagrange method

Define the *Lagrangian function*:

$$\mathcal{L} := \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{U}$$

Where  $\mathcal{T}$  is the kinetic energy and  $\mathcal{U}$  the potential energy. Then the *Euler-Lagrange equation of the second kind* holds for the total external generalized forces  $\boldsymbol{\tau}$ :

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right) - \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \right) = \boldsymbol{\tau}$$

The kinetic energy for a system of  $n_b$  bodies is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{T} &:= \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} \left( \frac{1}{2} m_i {}_{\mathcal{A}}\dot{\mathbf{r}}_{S_i}^T {}_{\mathcal{A}}\dot{\mathbf{r}}_{S_i} + \frac{1}{2} {}_{\mathcal{B}}\dot{\Omega}_{S_i}^T {}_{\mathcal{B}}\Theta_{S_i} {}_{\mathcal{B}}\dot{\Omega}_{S_i} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{q}}^T \underbrace{\left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} (J_{S_i}^T m J_{S_i} + J_{R_i}^T \Theta_{S_i} J_{R_i}) \right)}_{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})} \dot{\mathbf{q}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{q}}^T \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q}) \dot{\mathbf{q}}\end{aligned}$$

The potential energy is typically in the form of gravitational and elastic terms:

$$\mathcal{U} = - \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{n_b} \mathbf{r}_{S_i}^T (m_i \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{e}_g)}_{\text{gravitational}} + \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{n_E} \frac{1}{2} k_j (d(\mathbf{q}) - d_{0,j})^2}_{\text{elastic}}$$

Here we have  $n_E$  elastic components with coefficients  $k_j$  and rest configuration  $d_{0,j}$ .

## Projected Newton-Euler Method

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{M} &= \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} ({}_{\mathcal{A}}J_{S_i}^T m {}_{\mathcal{A}}J_{S_i} + {}_{\mathcal{B}}J_{R_i}^T {}_{\mathcal{B}}\Theta_{S_i} {}_{\mathcal{B}}J_{R_i}) \\ \mathbf{b} &= \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} ({}_{\mathcal{A}}J_{S_i}^T m {}_{\mathcal{A}}\dot{J}_{S_i} \dot{\mathbf{q}} + {}_{\mathcal{B}}J_{R_i}^T ({}_{\mathcal{B}}\Theta_{S_i} {}_{\mathcal{B}}\dot{J}_{R_i} \dot{\mathbf{q}} \\ &\quad + {}_{\mathcal{B}}\Omega_{S_i} \times {}_{\mathcal{B}}\Theta_{S_i} {}_{\mathcal{B}}\Omega_{S_i})) \\ \mathbf{g} &= \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} (-{}_{\mathcal{A}}J_{S_i}^T {}_{\mathcal{A}}\mathbf{F}_{g,i})\end{aligned}$$

## 4 Floating-base dynamics

Generalized coordinates are now  $\mathbf{q} = [\mathbf{q}_b^T \mathbf{q}_j^T]^T$ , where  $\mathbf{q}_b$  are the generalized coordinates of the base (position and orientation). The generalized velocities are therefore no longer  $\dot{\mathbf{q}}$ , but are denoted  $\mathbf{u} = [{}_{\mathcal{I}}\mathbf{v}_B^T {}_{\mathcal{B}}\omega_{IB}^T \dot{\mathbf{q}}_j^T]^T$ .

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{S}^T \boldsymbol{\tau} + \mathbf{J}_{ext}^T \mathbf{F}_{ext}$$

- $\mathbf{u}, \dot{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}$  Gen. vel., accel.
- $\mathbf{S}$  selection matrix of actuated joints

- $\mathbf{F}_{ext} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times n_c}$  External cartesian forces acting on robot
- $\mathbf{J}_{ext}(\mathbf{q}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c \times n_u}$  Geometric Jacobian of location where external forces apply

Position and velocity of a point  $Q$  on the robot:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}\mathbf{r}_{IQ}(\mathbf{q}) &= \mathcal{I}\mathbf{r}_{IB}(\mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{C}_{IB}(\mathbf{q}) \cdot {}_{\mathcal{B}}\mathbf{r}_{BQ}(\mathbf{q}) \\ \mathcal{I}\mathbf{v}_Q &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{I}_{3 \times 3} & -\mathbf{C}_{IB} \cdot {}_{\mathcal{B}}\mathbf{r}_{BQ} \end{bmatrix}}_{=\mathcal{I}\mathbf{J}_Q(\mathbf{q})} \times \mathbf{C}_{IB} \cdot {}_{\mathcal{B}}\mathbf{J}_{P_{q_j}}(\mathbf{q}_j) \cdot \mathbf{u}\end{aligned}$$

## Contact kinematics

The point of contact  $C$  is not allowed to move:  $\mathbf{r}_C = \text{const.}$  and  $\dot{\mathbf{r}}_C = \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_C = \mathbf{0}$ . Written in generalized coordinates these are:

$$\mathcal{I}\mathbf{J}_{C_i} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathcal{I}\mathbf{J}_{C_i} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathcal{I}\dot{\mathbf{J}}_{C_i} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$$

We can therefore stack the constraint Jacobians:

$$\mathbf{J}_c = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{I}\mathbf{J}_{C_1} \\ \vdots \\ \mathcal{I}\mathbf{J}_{C_{n_c}} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3n_c \times (n_b + n_j)}$$

By using the nullspace projection  $\mathbf{N}_c$  of  $\mathbf{J}_c$  we can still move the system:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{0} = \dot{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{J}_c \dot{\mathbf{q}} &\Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{J}_c^+ \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{N}_c \dot{\mathbf{q}}_0 \\ \mathbf{0} = \ddot{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{J}_c \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \dot{\mathbf{J}}_c \dot{\mathbf{q}} &\Rightarrow \ddot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{J}_c^+ (-\dot{\mathbf{J}}_c \dot{\mathbf{q}}) + \mathbf{N}_c \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_0\end{aligned}$$

The contact Jacobian tells us how the system can move. If we partition it into the part relating to the base and the part relating to the joints:

- $\mathbf{J}_c = [\mathbf{J}_{c,b} \ \mathbf{J}_{c,j}]$
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{J}_{c,b})$  is the number of constraints on the base  $\rightarrow$  the number of controllable base DoFs.
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{J}_c) - \text{rank}(\mathbf{J}_{c,b})$  is the number of constraints on the actuators.

A typical quadruped has 18 DoF (6 for base, 12 actuators). Each foot in contact with the ground adds 3 total constraints. One foot on the ground allows us to control 3 base DoFs, two feet 5, and three or more allow us to control all base DoFs.

## Support-consistent dynamics

If we use **soft contacts** to model the contact, we simply introduce an external force acting on the robot:

$$\mathbf{F}_c = k_p(\mathbf{r}_c - \mathbf{r}_{c0}) + k_d \dot{\mathbf{r}}_c$$

However such problems are hard to accurately solve numerically (slow system dynamics, fast contact dynamics).

Instead it works better to use **hard contacts**. We impose the kinematic constraint  $\mathcal{I}\mathbf{J}_{C_i} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathcal{I}\dot{\mathbf{J}}_{C_i} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$  from above and calculate the resulting force and null-space matrix:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F}_c &= (\mathbf{J}_c \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}_c^T)^{-1} (\mathbf{J}_c \mathbf{M}^{-1} (\mathbf{S}^T \boldsymbol{\tau} - \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{g}) + \dot{\mathbf{J}}_c \mathbf{u}) \\ \mathbf{N}_c &= \mathbb{I} - \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}_c^T (\mathbf{J}_c \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}_c^T)^{-1} \mathbf{J}_c\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\mathbf{N}_c^T (\mathbf{M} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{g}) = \mathbf{N}_c^T \mathbf{S}^T \boldsymbol{\tau}, \quad \mathbf{J}_c \mathbf{N}_c = \mathbf{0}}$$

By defining the *end-effector inertia*  $\Lambda_c = (\mathbf{J}_c \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}_c^T)^{-1}$  we can write the kinetic energy loss on impact:

$$\mathbf{u}^+ = \mathbf{N}_c \mathbf{u}^-$$

$$E_{loss} = \Delta E_{kin} = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{M} \Delta \mathbf{u} = -\frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{r}}^{-T} \mathbf{M} \dot{\mathbf{r}}^-$$

## 5 Dynamic control

### Joint impedance control

$$\boxed{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})\ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{q}) = \boldsymbol{\tau}}$$

Torque as a function of position and velocity error:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}^* = k_p(\mathbf{q}^* - \mathbf{q}) + k_d(\dot{\mathbf{q}}^* - \dot{\mathbf{q}})$$

Compensate for gravity by adding an estimated gravity term:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}^* = k_p(\mathbf{q}^* - \mathbf{q}) + k_d(\dot{\mathbf{q}}^* - \dot{\mathbf{q}}) + \hat{\mathbf{g}}(\mathbf{q})$$

## Inverse dynamics control

Compensate for system dynamics:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \hat{\mathbf{M}}(\mathbf{q})\ddot{\mathbf{q}}^* + \hat{\mathbf{b}}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) + \hat{\mathbf{g}}(\mathbf{q})$$

If the model is exact, we have  $\mathbb{I}\ddot{\mathbf{q}} = \ddot{\mathbf{q}}^*$ , meaning we can perfectly control system dynamics. We could apply a PD-control law, making each joint behave like a mass-spring-damper with unitary mass:

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{\mathbf{q}}^* &= k_p(\mathbf{q}^* - \mathbf{q}) + k_d(\dot{\mathbf{q}}^* - \dot{\mathbf{q}}) \\ \omega &= \sqrt{k_p}, \quad D = \frac{k_d}{2\sqrt{k_p}}\end{aligned}$$

## Operational space control

Generalized framework to control motion and force. End-effector dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda \dot{\mathbf{w}}_e + \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{p} &= \mathbf{F}_e \\ \Lambda &= (\mathbf{J}_e \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}_e^T)^{-1} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} &= \Lambda \mathbf{J}_e \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{b} - \Lambda \dot{\mathbf{J}}_e \dot{\mathbf{q}} \\ \mathbf{p} &= \Lambda \mathbf{J}_e \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{g} \\ \boldsymbol{\tau} &= \mathbf{J}_e^T \mathbf{F}_e \\ &\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\tau}^* = \hat{\mathbf{J}}^T (\hat{\Lambda} \dot{\mathbf{w}}_e^* + \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + \hat{\mathbf{p}})\end{aligned}$$

Hence we can steer the robot along any trajectory by determining the desired task-space end-effector acceleration:

$$\dot{\mathbf{w}}_e^* = k_p \mathbf{E}(\chi_e^* \ominus \chi_e) + k_d(\mathbf{w}_e^* - \mathbf{w}_e) \quad \underbrace{+ \dot{\mathbf{w}}_e^*(t)}_{\text{trajectory control}}$$

In order to also control the contact force, we use selection matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F}_c + \Lambda \dot{\mathbf{w}}_e + \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{p} &= \mathbf{F}_e \\ \boldsymbol{\tau}^* &= \hat{\mathbf{J}}^T (\hat{\Lambda} \mathbf{S}_M \dot{\mathbf{w}}_e^* + \mathbf{S}_F \mathbf{F}_c + \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + \hat{\mathbf{p}})\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mathbf{C}$  represent the rotation from the inertial frame to the contact force frame. The selection matrices can be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_p &= \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{px} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{py} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{pz} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma_r = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{rx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{ry} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{rz} \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{S}_M &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}^T \Sigma_p \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{C}^T \Sigma_r \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{S}_F &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}^T (\mathbb{I} - \Sigma_p) \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{C}^T (\mathbb{I} - \Sigma_r) \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

## Floating-base inverse dynamics

From the support-consistent dynamics:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}^* = (\mathbf{N}_c^T \mathbf{S}^T) + \mathbf{N}_c^T (\mathbf{M} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{g}) + \underbrace{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{N}_c^T \mathbf{S}^T) \boldsymbol{\tau}_0^*}_{\text{multiple solutions}}$$

## OSC with multiple objectives

Example: quadruped with three stationary legs and one in swing.

- Leg swing:  $\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_{OF} = \mathbf{J}_F \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_F + \dot{\mathbf{J}}_F \dot{\mathbf{q}}_F = \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_{OF,des}(t) = k_p(\mathbf{q}^* - \mathbf{r}) + k_d(\dot{\mathbf{r}}^* - \dot{\mathbf{r}}) + \ddot{\mathbf{r}}^*$
- Body movement (translation and orientation):  $\dot{\mathbf{w}}_B = \mathbf{J}_B \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_B + \dot{\mathbf{J}}_B \dot{\mathbf{q}}_B = \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{OB,des}(t) = k_p \left( \mathbf{r}^* \ominus \mathbf{r} \right) + k_d(\mathbf{w}^* - \mathbf{w}) + \dot{\mathbf{w}}^*$
- Enforce contact constraints:  $\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_c = \mathbf{J}_c \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_c + \dot{\mathbf{J}}_c \dot{\mathbf{q}}_c = \mathbf{0}$

Solve for generalized acceleration and torque giving each task **equal priority**:

$$\ddot{\mathbf{q}}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}_F \\ \mathbf{J}_B \\ \mathbf{J}_c \end{bmatrix}^+ \left( \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_{OF,des}(t) \\ \dot{\mathbf{w}}_{B,des}(t) \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{J}}_F \\ \dot{\mathbf{J}}_B \\ \dot{\mathbf{J}}_c \end{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{q}} \right)$$

Solve **with prioritization**:

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{\mathbf{q}}^* &= \sum_{i=1}^{n_t} \mathbf{N}_i \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_i, \\ \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_i &:= (\mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{N}_i)^+ \left( \mathbf{w}_i^* - \dot{\mathbf{J}}_i \dot{\mathbf{q}} - \mathbf{J} \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{N}_k \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_k \right)\end{aligned}$$

Where  $\mathbf{N}_i$  is the nullspace projection of  $\mathbf{J}_i := [\mathbf{J}_1^T \dots \mathbf{J}_i^T]^T$ .

Quadratic minimization

Least squares problems can be expressed in form of quadratic minimization problems. We can also perform multiple tasks with or without prioritization:

→  $\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^+ \mathbf{b}$

$\Leftrightarrow \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2; \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$

→  $\mathbf{A_1x_2} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A_2x_2} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x_1} \\ \mathbf{x_2} \end{pmatrix} = [\mathbf{A_1} \quad \mathbf{A_2}]^+ \mathbf{b}$

$\Leftrightarrow \min_{\mathbf{x_1}, \mathbf{x_2}} \left\| [\mathbf{A_1} \quad \mathbf{A_2}] \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x_1} \\ \mathbf{x_2} \end{pmatrix} - \mathbf{b} \right\|_2; \min_{\mathbf{x_1}, \mathbf{x_2}} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x_1} \\ \mathbf{x_2} \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2$

→  $\begin{cases} \mathbf{A_1x} = \mathbf{b_1} \\ \mathbf{A_2x} = \mathbf{b_2} \end{cases}$  Equal priority  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A_1} \\ \mathbf{A_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b_1} \\ \mathbf{b_2} \end{pmatrix}$

$\Leftrightarrow \min_{\mathbf{x}} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A_1} \\ \mathbf{A_2} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b_1} \\ \mathbf{b_2} \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2; \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$

→  $\begin{cases} \mathbf{A_1x} = \mathbf{b_1} \\ \mathbf{A_2x} = \mathbf{b_2} \end{cases}$  Hierarchy  $\Rightarrow$  (nullspace projections)

$\Leftrightarrow \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{A_1x} - \mathbf{b_1}\|_2; \begin{cases} \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{A_2x} - \mathbf{b_2}\|_2 \\ \text{s.t. } \|\mathbf{A_1x} - \mathbf{b_1}\|_2 = c_1 \end{cases}$

OSC as quadratic program

Rewrite the equations of motion and subsequent tasks as a prioritized sequence of quadratic minimization problems:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{A_i x} - \mathbf{b_i}\|_2 \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{u}} \\ \mathbf{F_c} \\ \boldsymbol{\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

6 Rotorcraft

Propeller thrust and drag proportional to squared rotational speed (*b*: thrust constant; *d*: drag constant):

$$T_i = b\omega_{p,i}^2, \quad Q_i = d\omega_{p,i}^2$$

Representation of rotation

Use Tait-Bryan angles, consisting of yaw  $\psi$  (Z-axis), pitch  $\theta$  (Y-axis) and roll  $\phi$  (X-axis).

$$\mathbf{C}_{EB} = \mathbf{C}_{E1}(\mathbf{z}, \psi) \cdot \mathbf{C}_{12}(\mathbf{y}, \theta) \cdot \mathbf{C}_{2B}(\mathbf{x}, \phi)$$

Angular velocity:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega} &= \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\text{roll}} + \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\text{pitch}} + \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\text{yaw}} \\ \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\text{roll}} &= (\dot{\psi}, 0, 0)^T \\ \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\text{pitch}} &= \mathbf{C}_{2B}^T(0, \dot{\theta}, 0)^T \\ \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\text{yaw}} &= [\mathbf{C}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{2E}]^T(0, 0, \dot{\phi})^T \\ \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega} &= J_r \dot{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_r = J_r \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\phi} \\ \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\psi} \end{pmatrix} \\ J_r &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & \cos \phi & \sin \phi \cos \theta \\ 0 & -\sin \phi & \sin \phi \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

NB: singularity for  $\theta = \pm 90^\circ$  (gimbal lock).

Body Dynamics

Change of momentum and spin in the body frame (**M** = total moment/torque):

$$\begin{bmatrix} mE & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{B}\dot{\mathbf{v}} \\ \mathcal{B}\dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega} \times m \mathcal{B}\mathbf{v} \\ \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{I} \mathcal{B}\boldsymbol{\omega} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{B}\mathbf{F} \\ \mathcal{B}\mathbf{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

Forces and moments come from gravity and aerodynamics:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}\mathbf{F} &= \mathcal{B}\mathbf{F}_G + \mathcal{B}\mathbf{F}_{Aero} \\ \mathcal{B}\mathbf{M} &= \mathcal{B}\mathbf{M}_{Aero} \\ \mathcal{B}\mathbf{F}_G &= \mathbf{C}_{EB}^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ mg \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathcal{B}\mathbf{F}_{Aero} &= \sum_{i=1}^4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -T_i = -b\omega_{p,i}^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathcal{B}\mathbf{M}_{Aero} &= \mathcal{B}\mathbf{M}_T + \mathcal{B}\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} l(T_4 - T_2) \\ l(T_1 - T_3) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^4 Q_i (-1)^{(i-1)} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The quadrotor automatically has full control over all rotational speeds, independently of the current position state. On the other hand, it can only directly control vertical cartesian velocity - attitude control must be used for full position control.

Propeller aerodynamics

Propeller in hover:

- Thrust force *T* normal to prop. plane,  $|T| = \frac{\rho}{2} A_P C_T (\omega_p R_p)^2$
- Drag torque *Q*, around rotor plane  $|Q| = \frac{\rho}{2} A_P C_Q (\omega_p R_p)^2 R_p$
- *C<sub>T</sub>* and *C<sub>Q</sub>* depend on blade pitch angle (prop geometry), Reynolds number (prop speed, velocity, rotational speed).

Propeller in forward flight: additional forces due to force unbalance between forward- and backward-moving props.

- Hub force *H* (orthogonal to *T*, opposite to horizontal flight direction *V<sub>H</sub>*),  $|H| = \frac{\rho}{2} A_P C_H (\omega_p R_p)^2 R_p$
- Rolling torque *R* around flight direction  $|R| = \frac{\rho}{2} A_P C_R (\omega_p R_p)^2 R_p$
- *C<sub>R</sub>* and *C<sub>H</sub>* depend on advance ratio  $\mu = \frac{V}{\omega_p R_P}$

Ideal power consumption at hover:  $P = \frac{F_{Thrust}^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2\rho A_R}} = \frac{(mg)^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2\rho A_R}}$ . The prop efficiency is measured with the Figure of Merit FM:

$$FM = \frac{\text{Ideal power to hover}}{\text{Actual power to hover}} < 1$$

Blade Elemental and Momentum Theory (BEMT): blade shape determines drag and lift coefficients *c<sub>D</sub>*, *c<sub>L</sub>*.

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7 Fixed wing aerodynamics

For aircraft rotation, use Tait-Bryan angles (like for copters).

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