

# Homework 2 - Robot Dynamics and Control

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## Preliminary steps

1. Determine the slight difference between Matlab's *atan2* and the function shown in Appendix A of SHV.

The only difference between *atan2* in SHV book and Matlab library is the order of the parameters. In Matlab, the y-axis parameter goes first, while the SHV book is opposite. For instance:

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1      th = atan2(X,Y) % SHV notation
2      th = atan2(Y,X) % Matlab notation
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## 1 Problem

Find the Euler angles equivalent to the following sequence of rotations:  $\text{Rot}_x(\frac{\pi}{2})$ ,  $\text{Rot}_y(-\pi)$  (relative to  $y_0$ ),  $\text{Rot}_y(\frac{\pi}{2})$  (relative to the current frame) and  $\text{Rot}_z(-\frac{\pi}{2})$  (relative to  $z_0$ ). Sketch all frames and verify that the Euler angles for the composite rotation work (if there are multiple solutions, show them all).

The following figure illustrate the rotation by step-by-step:

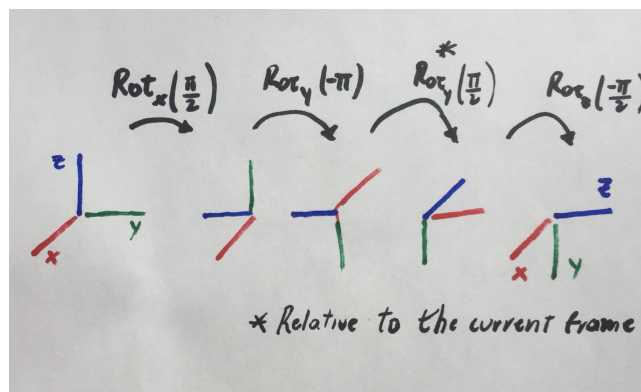


Figure 1: Snapshot of frames.

It is clearly that the last frame correspond to:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ z \\ -y \end{pmatrix}$$

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1 %% Problem 1
2 R04 = ...
    Rotz(-sym(pi)/2)*Roty(-sym(pi))*Rotx(sym(pi)/2)*Roty(sym(pi)/2)
3
4 function out = Rotx(alpha)
5 %Rot_x: Basic rotation matrix about the x-axes
6 out = [1 0 0 ; ...
7        0 cos(alpha) -sin(alpha); ...
8        0 sin(alpha) cos(alpha)];
9 end
10
11 function out = Roty(alpha)
12 %Rot_y: Basic rotation matrix about the y-axes
13 out = [cos(alpha) 0 sin(alpha); ...
14        0 1 0; ...
15        -sin(alpha) 0 cos(alpha)];
16 end
17
18 function out = Rotz(alpha)
19 %Rot_z: Basic rotation matrix about the z-axes
20 out = [cos(alpha) -sin(alpha) 0; ...
21        sin(alpha) cos(alpha) 0; ...
22        0 0 1];
23 end

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## 2 Problem

Consider the PP robot with spherical wrist shown in Fig. 2. Consider all 3 DOF of the spherical wrist to be concentric (zero lengths between joints)

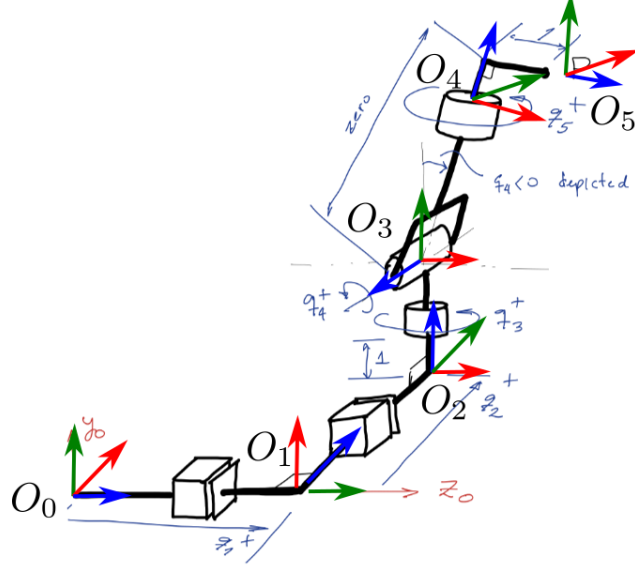


Figure 2: 5-DOF robot with spherical wrist.

Table 1: DH parameters for the 5-DOF manipulator.

Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
1	0	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	$q_1$	$\frac{\pi}{2}$
2	0	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	$q_2$	$\frac{\pi}{2}$
3	0	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	$q_3$	$q_3$
4	0	$\frac{-\pi}{2}$	0	$q_4$
<sup>a</sup>	$d_5$	0	0	$q_5$
5	0	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	0	$\frac{\pi}{2}$

<sup>a</sup> Intermediate frame.

After label the joint axes and established the base frame (Figure 2), a table of DH parameters were created (Table 1). A configure for zero angle configuration is displayed in the Figure 3. Additionally, two other “easy” configurations are illustrated at Figures 4 and 2. For a given joint coordinate functions, three figures were obtained: Figure 6 correspond to the position of enf-effector along the time, Figure 7 represent the enf-effector position on space, Figure 8 illustrates the trajectory on a variety of planes.

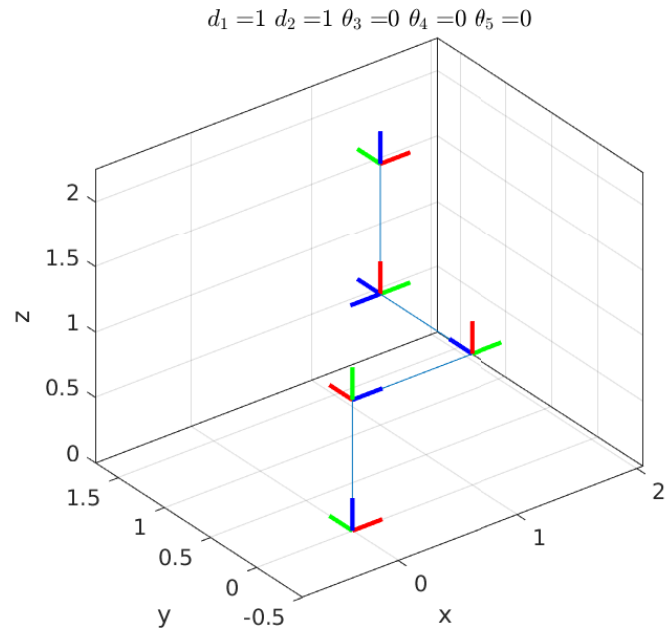


Figure 3: Zero angle configuration.

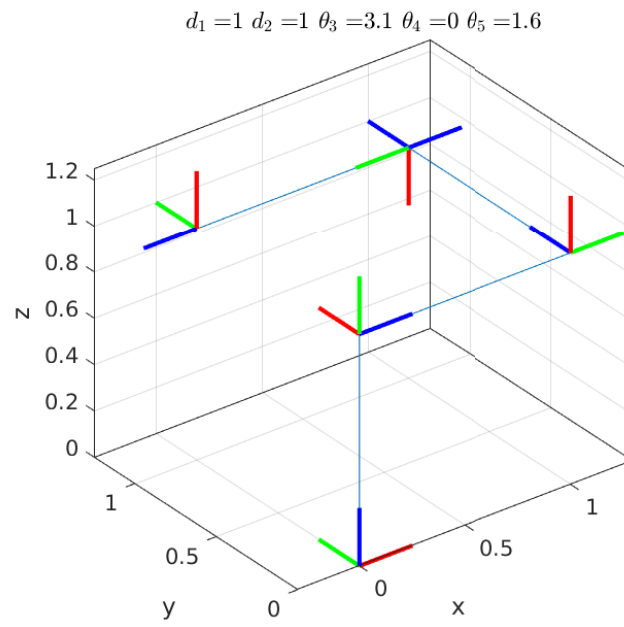


Figure 4: “Easy” configuration test #1.

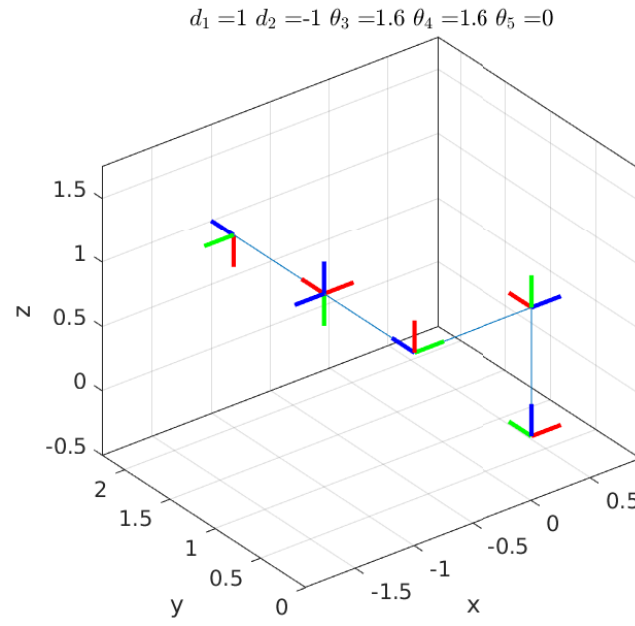


Figure 5: “Easy” configuration test #2.

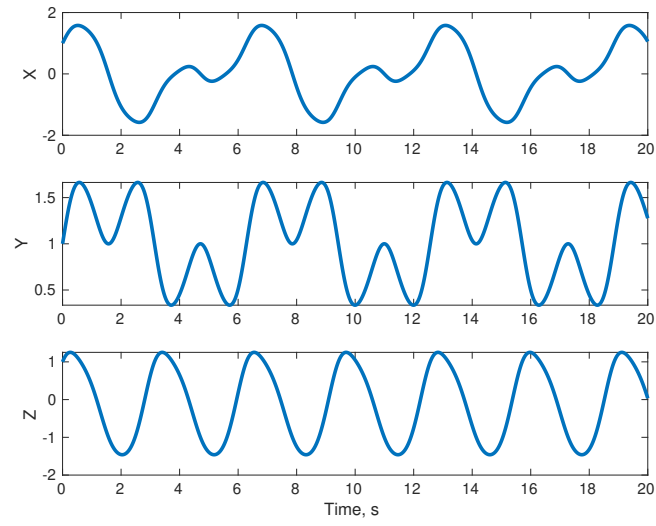


Figure 6: Position of End-Effector along the time.

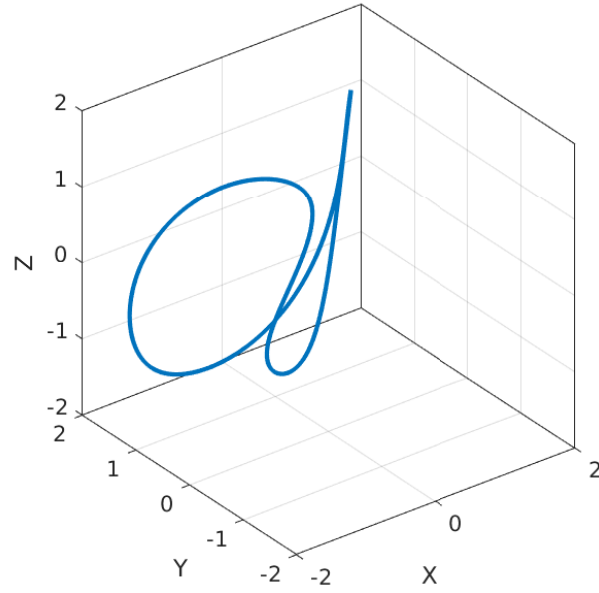


Figure 7: End-Effector trajectory on space.

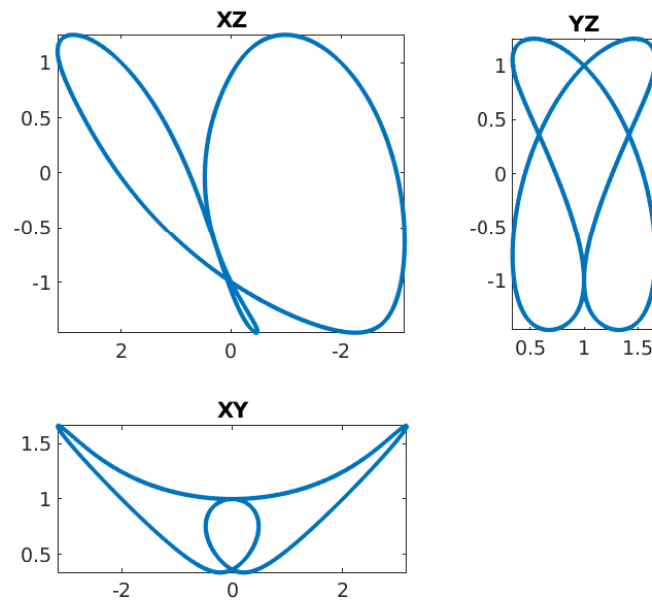


Figure 8: End-Effector trajectory on XY, YZ, and XZ planes.

### 3 Problem

Consider the 4-axis SCARA robot shown in Fig. 9. The spindle at the end of the second link can move vertically and also rotate through 360 degrees, providing two degrees of freedom that can be independently actuated. The robot will be used to cut a rectangular window on a circular-base cylinder. The cylinder has radius 50 mm, is 100 mm tall and is supported 75 mm above the base of the robot. The cut should be completed in 20 seconds.

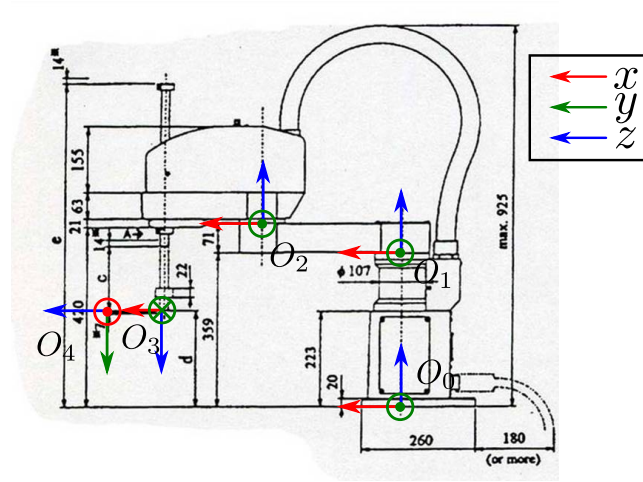


Figure 9: Base frames

Figure 9 contains the established base frames in the robot. Following figure illustrated SCARA robot at zero angle configuration.

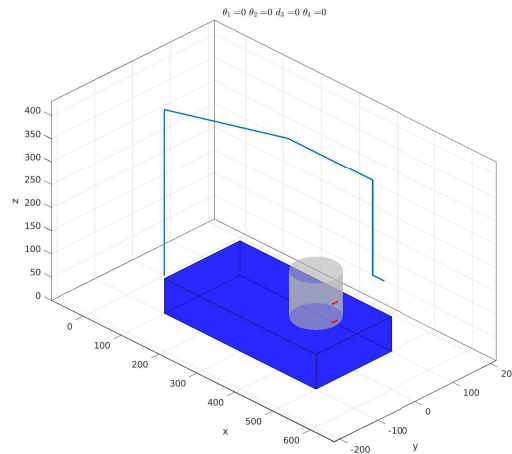


Figure 10: Plot of Robot at zero angle configuration.

The problem requires that the rectangular window to be cut at 20 seconds. In order to achieve that, it was found a average speed for the robot travel the total distance in 20 seconds. Then the trajectory path were found by  $s = s_0 + v \cdot t$ , where  $s$  is the position,  $v$  is speed, and  $t$  is the time. Figure 11 illustrates the simulation provided with this report. The top right zoom out in the cutting section, while in the bottow right shows the top view of the cutting. Note that the end-effector is tangent to the circle.

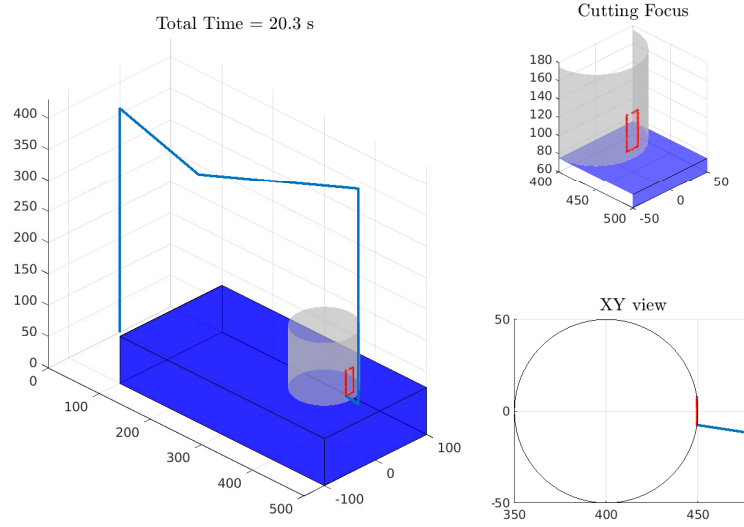


Figure 11: Simulation Plot.

Following figure, correspond to the position from the direct and inverse kinematics <sup>1</sup>. The RMS between them correspond to:  $4.13 \cdot 10^{-14}$ ,  $5.36 \cdot 10^{-14}$ , and  $1.87 \cdot 10^{-14}$ .

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<sup>1</sup>The derivations for the inverse kinematics equations in SHV is missing a power, the proof is attached to this report



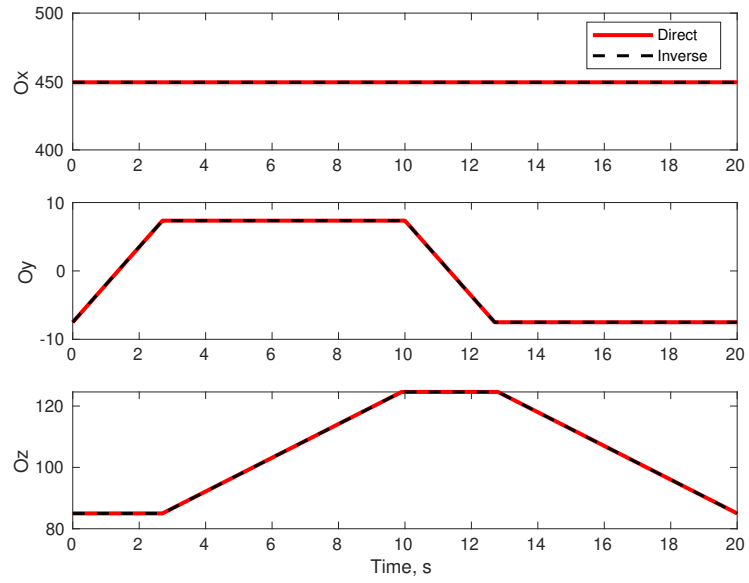


Figure 12: RMS for Inverse and Direct kinematics.

Additionally, the same problem was performed using the Corke's Robotics Toolbox. Following figure correspond to the robot at zero angle configuration.

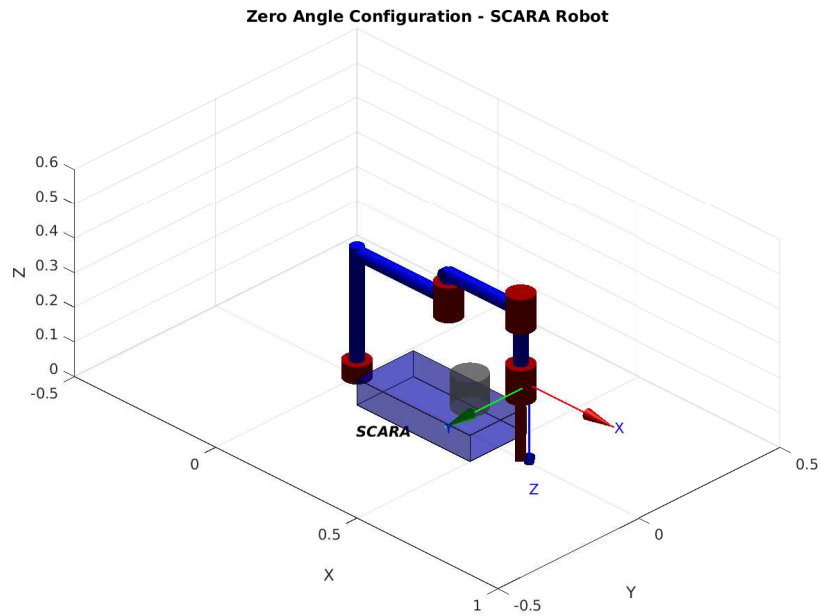


Figure 13: SCARA robot at zero angle configuration.

Following figure illustrates the position of end effector for the direct and inverse

kinematic in order to evaluate the difference between them. The RMS error of them are:  $4.54e-05$ ,  $3.15e-04$ , and  $3.30e-08$ . The error are still really small; however the analytical solution presented before were better than this one.

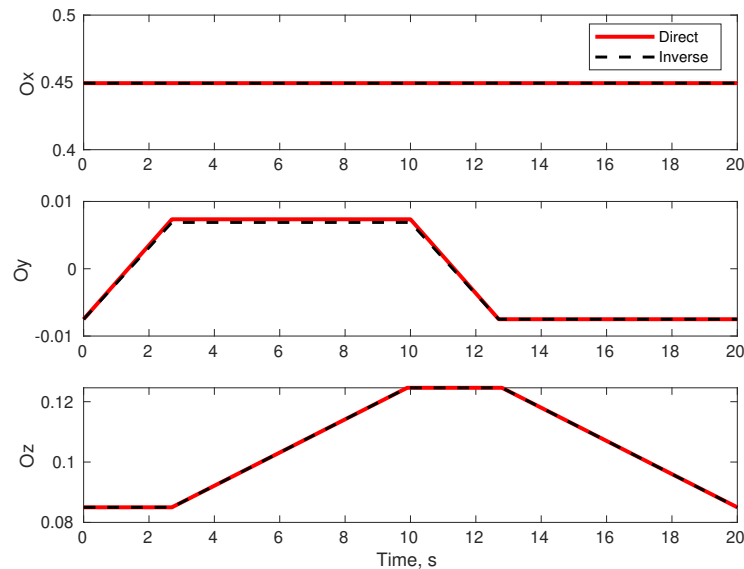


Figure 14: RMS for Inverse and Direct kinematics.

## 4 Code Instruction

- Download the “HW2”, which contains the following code (**MAINroboticsHW2.m**) attached in the email.
- Alternatively, the code is available at <https://github.com/EriveltonGualter/MCE747-Robot-Dynamics-and-Control> after submission deadline.
- Due to the number of plots in this homework, you can run the code in parts.
  - Add “Robotics Toolbox for Matlab (release 9.10)” to the path.
  - Problem 2: Run **MAINroboticsHW2(1)**.
  - Problem 3 (SCARA robot): Run **MAINroboticsHW2(2)**.
  - Problem 3 (SCARA robot using Corke’s Robotics Toolbox): Run **MAINroboticsHW2(2)**<sup>2</sup>.

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<sup>2</sup>I faced a “Java Error” to run this code a couple times. You may face this as well. Just try to run again.