# ECE 470/ ME 445: Introduction to Robotics- Homework 03

#### Question 1.

A robot arm is designed as illustrated by the following figure. It can be assumed that the mass distributions of the links are insignificant and can be treated as lumped equivalent masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ .

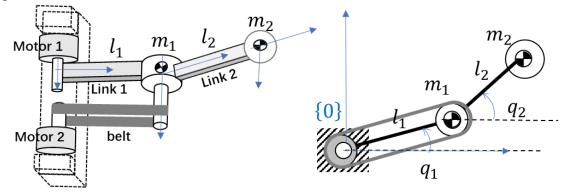


Figure 1

- a) Write down the position of masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  in terms of  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  referenced from the given frame  $\{0\}$ .
- c) Show that the total kinetic energy of the system, K can be written as

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \left( m_1 l_1^2 + m_2 l_1^2 \right) \dot{q}_1^2 + m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos(q_2 - q_1) \, \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 l_2^2 \dot{q}_2^2 \qquad (4 \text{ marks})$$

d) Obtain the total potential energy of the system. (2 marks)

e) Write down the Lagrangian *L*. (2 marks)

f) Obtain the dynamic equations relating the torque output  $(n_1, n_2)$  of Motor 1 & 2 with the motion of the masses in  $q_{1,2}$ ,  $\dot{q}_{1,2}$ ,  $\ddot{q}_{1,2}$  (5 marks)

Solution

a) 
$$\begin{cases} x_1 = l_1 \cos q_1 \\ y_1 = l_1 \sin q_1 \end{cases} \begin{cases} x_2 = l_1 \cos q_1 + l_2 \cos q_2 \\ y_2 = l_1 \sin q_1 + l_2 \sin q_2 \end{cases}$$

c) 
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -l_1 \sin q_1 \, \dot{q}_1 \\ \dot{y}_1 = l_1 \cos q_1 \dot{q}_1 \end{cases} \begin{cases} \dot{x}_2 = -(l_1 \sin q_1 \dot{q}_1 + l_2 \sin q_2 \dot{q}_2) \\ \dot{y}_2 = l_1 \cos q_1 \dot{q}_1 + l_2 \cos q_2 \dot{q}_2 \end{cases}$$
 
$$v_1^2 = \dot{x}_1^2 + \dot{y}_1^2 = l_1^2 \dot{q}_1^2$$
 
$$v_2^2 = \dot{x}_2^2 + \dot{y}_2^2 = l_1^2 \dot{q}_1^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \cos(q_2 - q_1) \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 + l_2^2 \dot{q}_2^2$$
 
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d) 
$$U = [m_1 g l_1 \sin q_1 + m_2 g (l_1 \sin q_1 + l_2 \sin q_2)]$$
e)

Lagrangian L = K - U

$$L = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( m_1 l_1^2 + m_2 l_1^2 \right) \dot{q}_1^2 + m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos(q_2 - q_1) \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 l_2^2 \dot{q}_2^2 \right] - \left[ m_1 g l_1 \sin q_1 + m_2 g (l_1 \sin q_1 + l_2 \sin q_2) \right]$$

f) 
$$\begin{split} n_1 &= (m_1 + m_2) {l_1}^2 \ddot{q_1} + m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos(q_2 - q_1) \ddot{q_2} - m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin(q_2 - q_1) \dot{q_2}^2 \\ &+ (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \cos(q_1) \end{split}$$

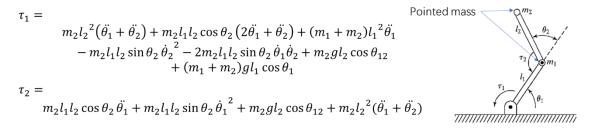
$$n_2 = m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos(q_2 - q_1) \, \ddot{q_1} + m_2 l_2^2 \ddot{q_2} + m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin(q_2 - q_1) \, \dot{q_1}^2 + m_2 g l_2 \cos(q_2)$$

In matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (m_1 + m_2) l_1^2 & m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos(q_2 - q_1) \\ m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos(q_2 - q_1) & m_2 l_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q}_1 \\ \ddot{q}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin(q_2 - q_1) \, \dot{q}_2^2 \\ m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin(q_2 - q_1) \, \dot{q}_1^2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \cos q_1 \\ m_2 g l_2 \cos q_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Question 2.

Compare your answer in Question 1 with that of the example discussed in class (Example 5.2 or Section 6.7, Equation (6.58), Reference Textbook J. Craig 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed.). shown in Figure 2. <u>State and comment</u> on the differences. (5 Points)



### Figure 2

#### Solution

Example 5.2 discussed in class expresses the generalized forces  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  with configuration of coordinates  $(\theta_1, \theta_2)$  as:

$$\begin{split} \tau_1 &= \\ & m_2 l_2^{\ 2} \big( \ddot{\theta_1} + \ddot{\theta_2} \big) + m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos \theta_2 \left( 2 \ddot{\theta_1} + \ddot{\theta_2} \right) + (m_1 + m_2) l_1^{\ 2} \ddot{\theta_1} &- m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin \theta_2 \, \dot{\theta_2}^2 \\ & - 2 m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin \theta_2 \, \dot{\theta_1} \dot{\theta_2} + m_2 g l_2 \cos \theta_{12} + (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \cos \theta_1 \\ \tau_2 &= \\ & m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos \theta_2 \, \ddot{\theta_1} + m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin \theta_2 \, \dot{\theta_1}^2 + m_2 g l_2 \cos \theta_{12} + m_2 l_2^2 (\ddot{\theta_1} + \ddot{\theta_2}) \end{split}$$

Rewriting the expression

$$\begin{split} \tau_1 &= \\ & (m_1 + m_2){l_1}^2 \ddot{\theta_1} + m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos\theta_2 \, \ddot{\theta_2} \, + m_2 {l_2}^2 (\ddot{\theta_1} + \ddot{\theta_2}) + 2 m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos\theta_2 \, \ddot{\theta_1} \\ & - m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin\theta_2 \, \dot{\theta_2}^2 - 2 m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin\theta_2 \, \dot{\theta_1} \dot{\theta_2} \\ & + (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \cos\theta_1 + m_2 g l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{split}$$

$$m_2 l_1 l_2 \cos \theta_2 \, \ddot{\theta_1} + m_2 l_2^{\ 2} \ddot{\theta_2} + m_2 l_1 l_2 \sin \theta_2 \, \dot{\theta_1}^{\ 2} + m_2 g l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + m_2 l_2^{\ 2} \ddot{\theta_1}$$

By inspection, we see that mapping the coordinates  $(q_1, q_2)$  to  $(\theta_1, \theta_2)$  based on the relationship  $(\theta_1 \ \theta_2)^T = (q_1 \ q_2 - q_1)^T$ , the respective generalized force coordinates of  $(n_1 \ n_2)$  maps to  $(\tau_1 \ \tau_2)$  accordingly.

$$(\tau_1 \ \tau_2)^{\mathrm{T}} = (n_1 + f_1 \ n_2 + f_2)^{\mathrm{T}}$$

where

$$f_1 = m_2 \left[ l_2^2 (\ddot{\theta}_1 + \ddot{\theta}_2) + 2l_1 l_2 \cos \theta_2 \, \ddot{\theta}_1 - 2l_1 l_2 \sin \theta_2 \, \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 + g l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \right]$$

$$f_2 = m_2 (l_2^2 \ddot{\theta}_1)$$

\*\* Presenting observation by inspection is sufficient for full mark. Analysis of the structures of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  is not required.

## In matrix form:

Configuration in coordinates  $(\theta_1, \theta_2)$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (m_1 + m_2)l_1^2 + m_2l_2^2 & m_2l_1l_2\cos\theta_2 + m_2l_2^2 \\ m_2l_1l_2\cos\theta_2 + m_2l_2^2 & m_2l_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\theta_1} \\ \ddot{\theta_2} \end{bmatrix} + \\ \begin{bmatrix} -m_2l_1l_2\sin\theta_2 \dot{\theta_2}^2 - 2m_2l_1l_2\sin\theta_2 \dot{\theta_1}\dot{\theta_2} \\ m_2l_1l_2\sin\theta_2 \dot{\theta_1}^2 \end{bmatrix} + \\ \begin{bmatrix} (m_1 + m_2)gl_1\cos\theta_1 + m_2gl_2\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (m_1 + m_2)gl_1\cos\theta_1 + m_2gl_2\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ m_2gl_2\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{bmatrix}$$