

Propagation of Forward Kinematics

Propagation of spatial velocity in a rigid body (starting from 0):

$$\left[egin{array}{c} ec{f o}_{i+1} \ ec{v}_{i+1} \end{array}
ight] = \left[egin{array}{ccc} I & 0 \ -ec{p}_{i,i+1} imes & I \end{array}
ight] \left[egin{array}{c} ec{f o}_i \ ec{v}_i \end{array}
ight] + ec{H}_{i+1}\dot{q}_{i+1}$$

where

$$ec{H}_{i+1} = \left[egin{array}{c} ec{h}_{i+1} \ 0 \end{array}
ight]$$
 for revolute joint, $ec{H}_{i+1} = \left[egin{array}{c} 0 \ ec{h}_{i+1} \end{array}
ight]$ for prismatic joint.

Propagation of Forward Kinematics (Cont.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\vec{\omega}_{i+1})_{i+1} \\ (\vec{v}_{i+1})_{i+1} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} R_{i+1,i} & 0 \\ -R_{i+1,i}(\hat{p}_{i,i+1})_{i} & R_{i+1,i} \end{bmatrix}}_{\Phi_{i+1,i}} \begin{bmatrix} (\vec{\omega}_{i})_{i} \\ (\vec{v}_{i})_{i} \end{bmatrix} + (\vec{H}_{i+1})_{i+1}\dot{q}_{i+1}$$

where

$$(\vec{H}_{i+1})_{i+1} = \left[egin{array}{c} (\vec{h}_{i+1})_{i+1} \ 0 \end{array}
ight] ext{ (revolute), } (\vec{H}_{i+1})_{i+1} = \left[egin{array}{c} 0 \ (\vec{h}_{i+1})_{i+1} \end{array}
ight] ext{ (prismatic).}$$

More compact notation for spatial velocity:

$$V_{i+1} = \Phi_{i+1,i} V_i + H_{i+1} \dot{q}_{i+1}, \quad V_i = \left[egin{array}{c} \omega_i \ v_i \end{array}
ight].$$

Summary of Forward Kinematics

Between consecutive links:

$$R_{i,i+1} = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} \mathbf{rot}(h_{i+1},q_{i+1}) & \mathbf{revolute} \\ I & \mathbf{prismatic} \end{array}
ight., \quad (p_{i,i+1})_i = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} p_{i,i+1} & \mathbf{revolute} \\ p_{i,i+1}(0) + h_{i+1}q_{i+1} & \mathbf{prismatic} \end{array}
ight.$$

Iterative form $(R_{0,0} = I, (p_{0,0})_0 = 0)$:

$$R_{0,i+1} = R_{0,i}R_{i,i+1}, \quad (p_{0,i+1})_0 = (p_{0,i})_0 + R_{0i}(p_{i,i+1})_i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$

Summary of Forward Differential Kinematics

Spatial velocity ($\omega_0 = 0$, $v_0 = 0$), for i = 0, 1, ..., n - 1:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \omega_{i+1} \\ v_{i+1} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} R_{i+1,i} & 0 \\ -R_{i+1,i}\widehat{p_{i,i+1}} & R_{i+1,i} \end{bmatrix}}_{\Phi_{i+1,i}} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_i \\ v_i \end{bmatrix} + H_{i+1}\dot{q}_{i+1}$$

$$H_i = \begin{bmatrix} h_i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (revolute), $H_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ h_i \end{bmatrix}$ prismatic.

Jacobian $(6 \times n)$ propagation $(J_i$ is the partial Jacobian, mapping from $(\dot{q}_1, \dots, \dot{q}_i)$ to $(V_i)_i$, $J_0 = 0$):

$$J_{i+1} = [\Phi_{i+1,i}J_i : H_{i+1}], J_1 = H_1$$

Represented in the inertia frame: $(J_n)_0 = \begin{bmatrix} R_{0n} & 0 \\ 0 & R_{0n} \end{bmatrix} J_n$.