

Operational Space Control

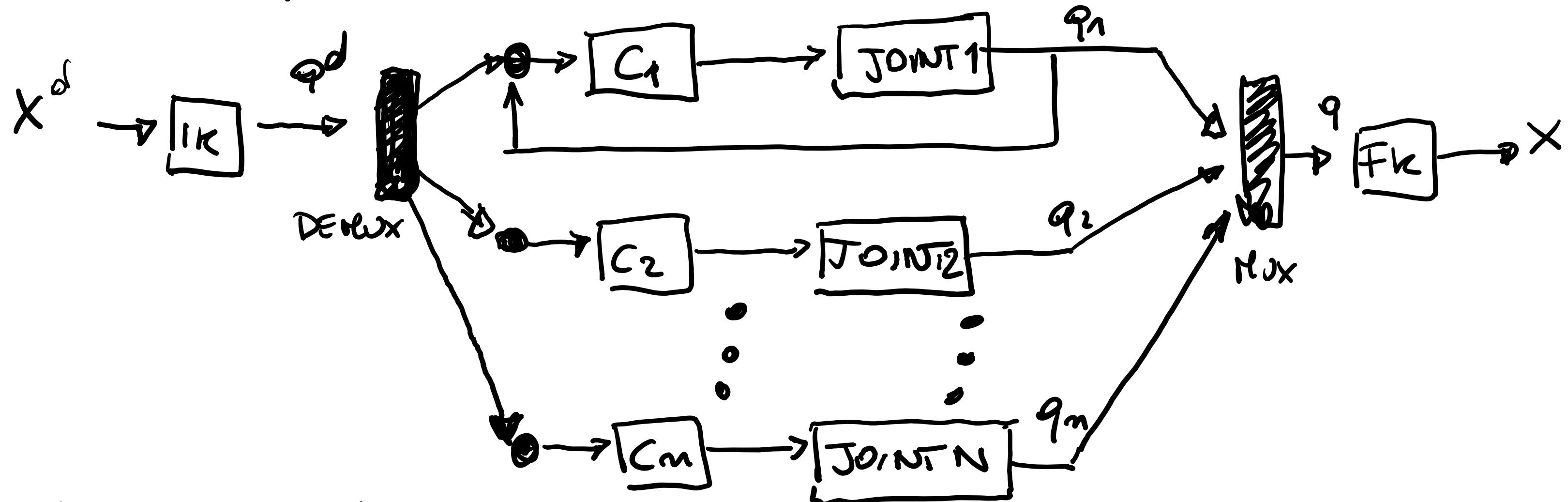
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INVERSE KINETICS FOR END-EFFECTOR CONTROL

we can control end-effector by controlling joint space motion



if $q \rightarrow q^d$ then $x \rightarrow x^d$

⊕ simple

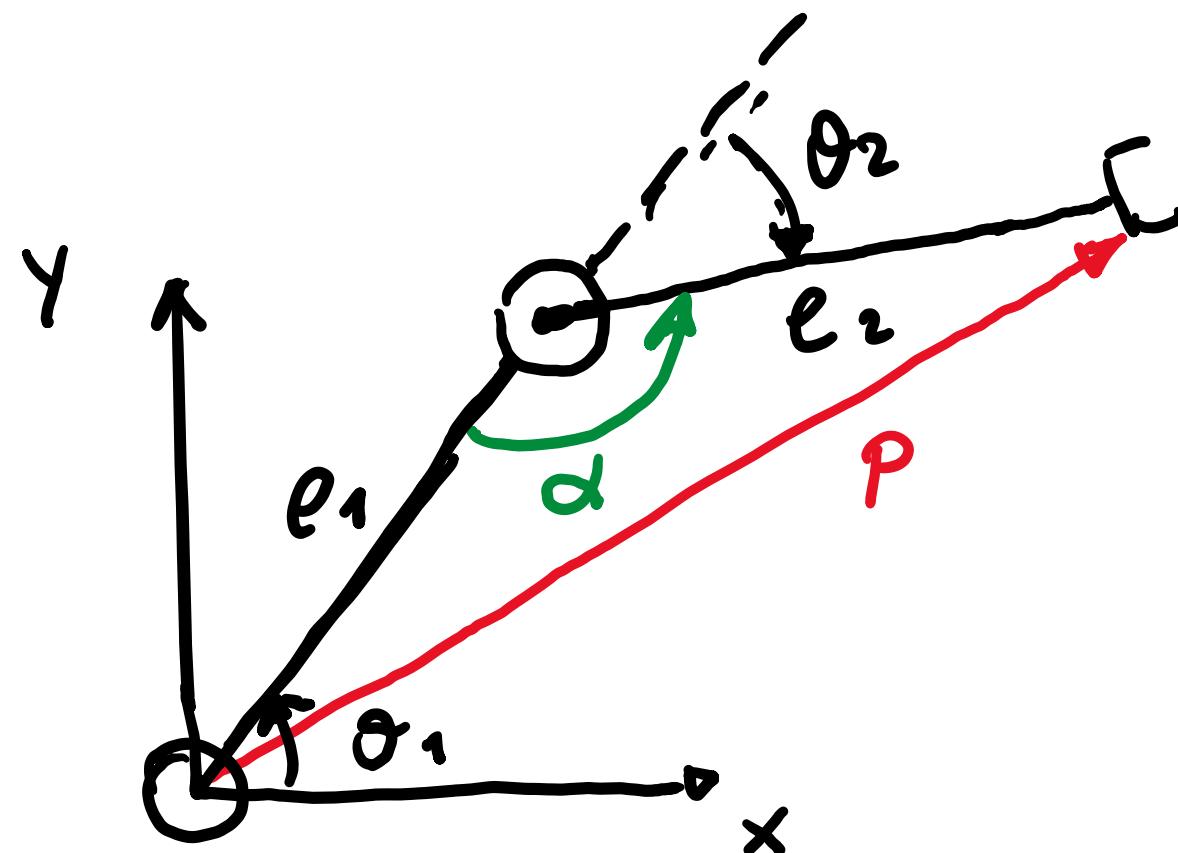
⊖ existence of closed form solution To
IK is not guaranteed

⊖ numerical implementation is slow

INVERSE KINETICS COMPUTATION

①

closed form solution :

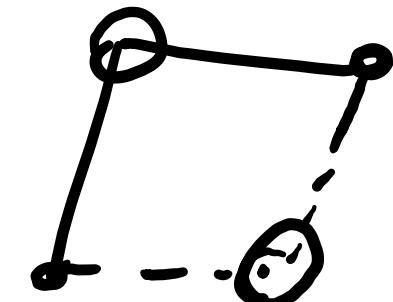


Cosine Theorem

$$P_x^2 + P_y^2 = l_1^2 + l_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \cos \alpha$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{P_x^2 + P_y^2 - l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1 l_2} = \cos \theta_2$$

$$\sin \theta_2 = \pm \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta_2}$$



Elbow up/
down

$$\theta_2 = \arctan 2 (\sin \theta_2, \cos \theta_2)$$

$$\theta_2 + \text{FWKIN} \rightarrow \theta_1$$

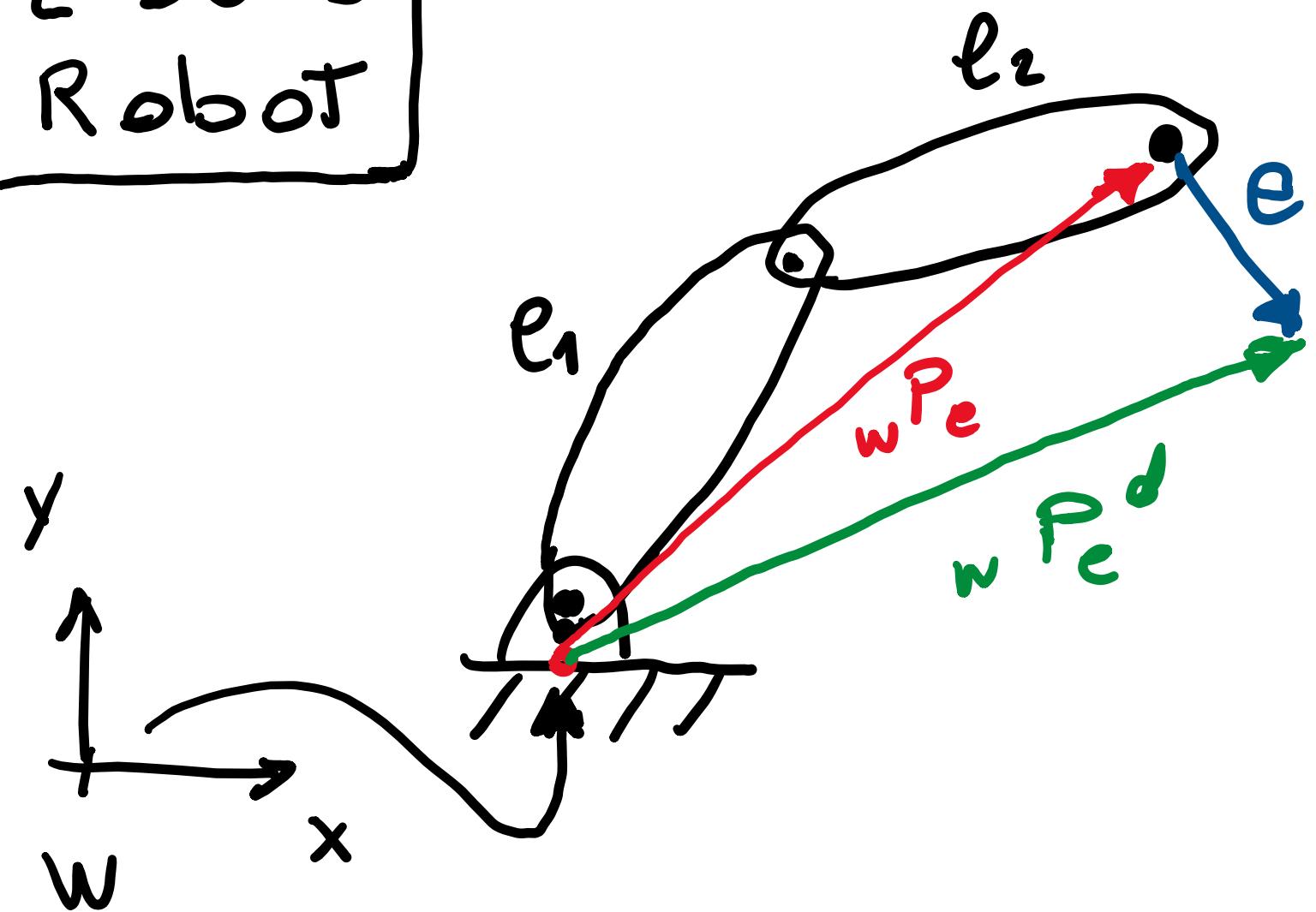
② requires algebraic intuition

③ super fast

otherwise... numerical solution Techniques

NUMERICAL INVERSE KINEMATICS

2 DoFs
Robot



$$wP_e = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} \\ l_1 s_1 + l_2 s_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$wJ_c = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 s_1 & -l_2 s_{12} & 1 & -l_2 s_{12} \\ -l_1 c_1 & l_2 c_{12} & 1 & l_2 c_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

NUMERICAL IK STEPS (INPUT P_e^d , OUTPUT q)

① sequence of q^i

② compute error $e_i = P_e^d - P_e(q^i)$

③ make $\|e_i\| \rightarrow 0$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$

in practice, stop when $\|e_i\| < \text{Tolerance}$

- To minimize e we need its derivative
- Jacobian provides a linearization of FWD kin.

$$de = \cancel{dP_e}^=0 - dP_e = -J_e dq \quad \text{infinitesimal}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta e = -J_e \Delta q} \quad \text{non infinitesimal}$$

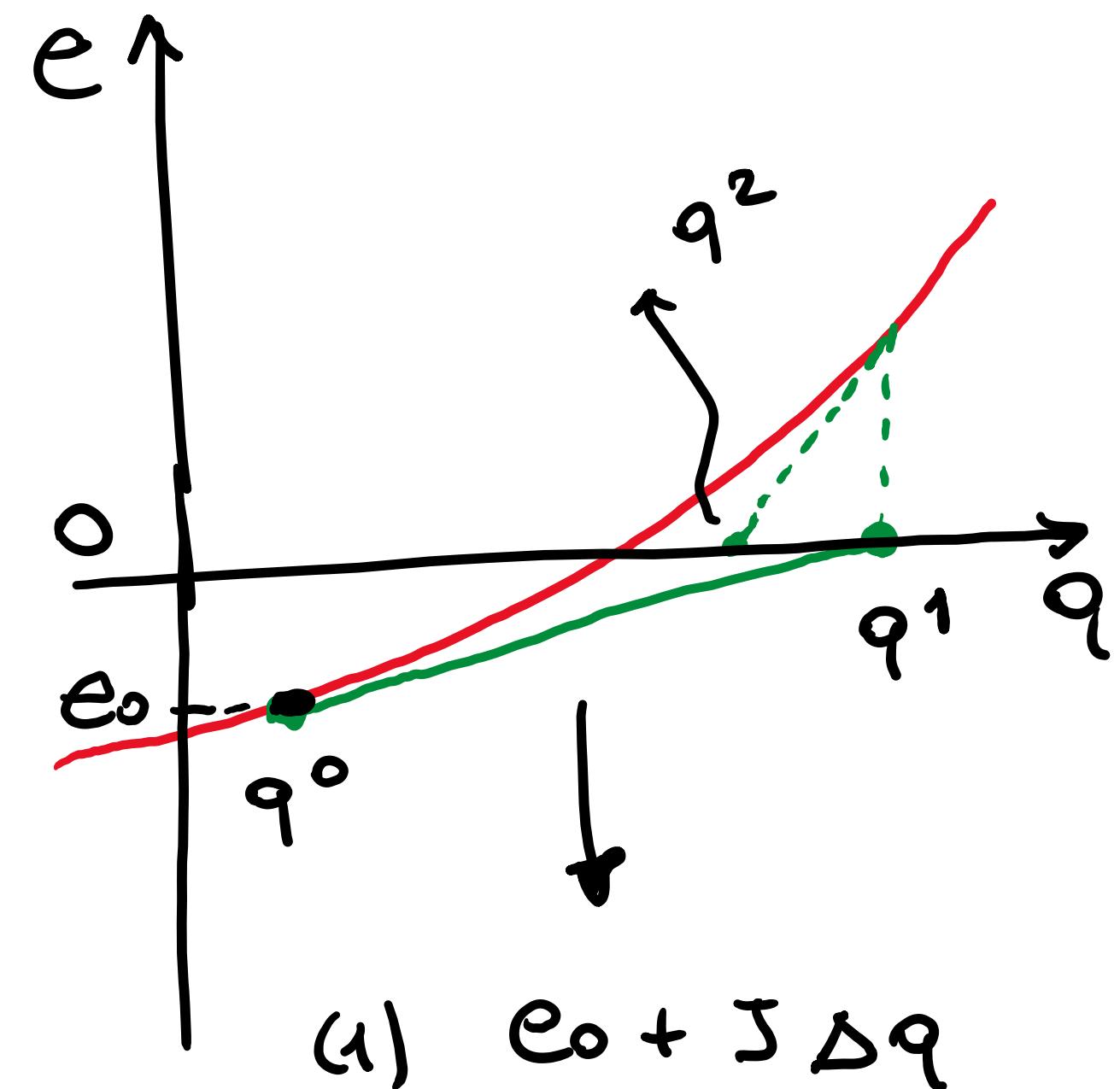
NEWTON STEP:

- ① evaluate J at q^i
- ② find a value of Δq that makes (1) intersect \emptyset

$$-J(q^i) \Delta q + e_i = 0$$



$$\boxed{\Delta q = J_e^{-1}(q^i) e_i}$$

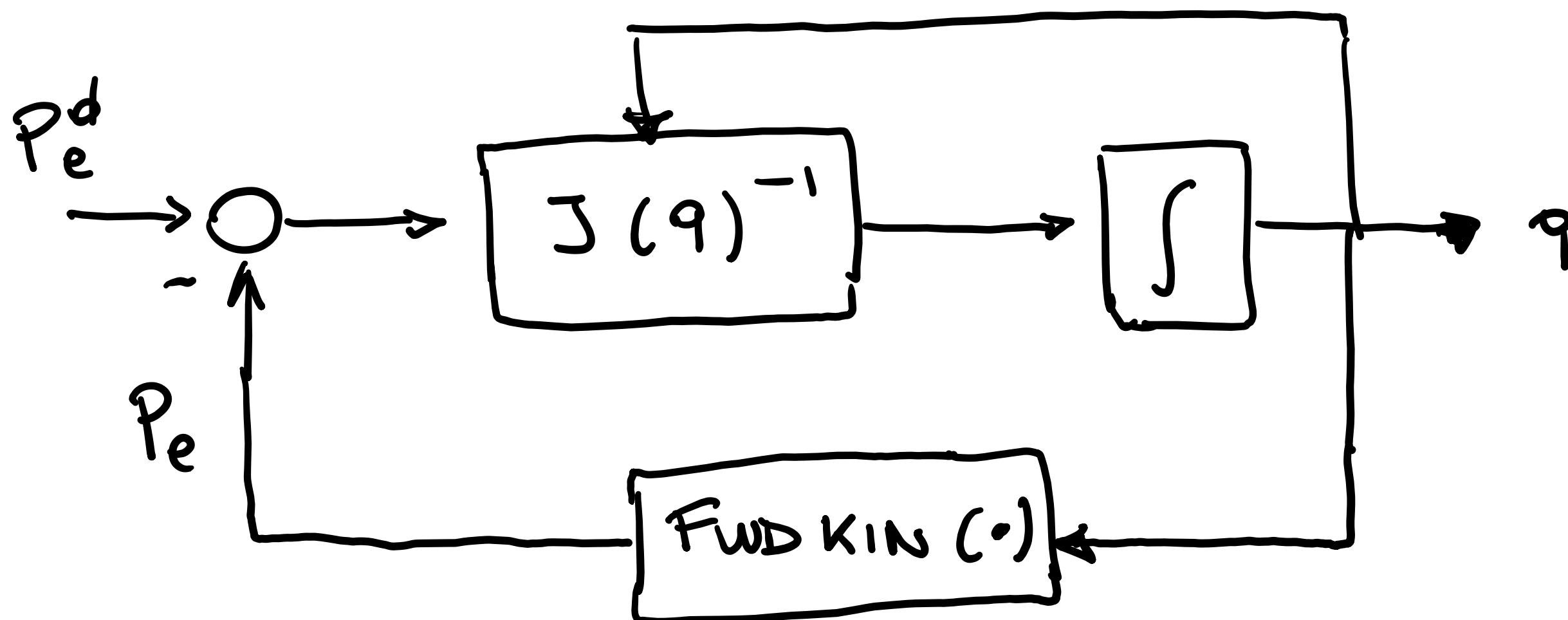


③ add Δq to $q^{(i)}$

$$q^{i+1} = q^i + \Delta q = q^i + J_e^{-1}(q^i) e_i$$

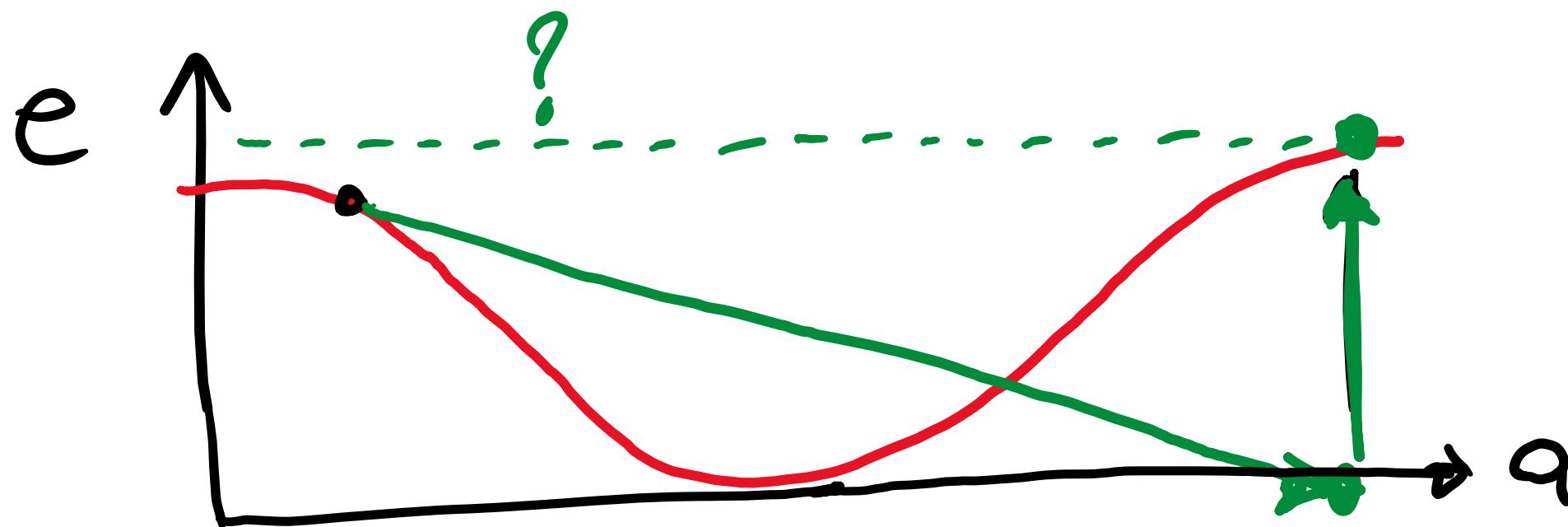
④ go To ① , stop when $\|e_i\| < Tol$

BLOCK DIAGRAM



PROBLEMS

- Ⓐ you can get stuck in points with ϕ slope



J becomes singular
 $\Downarrow \mathcal{A} \Delta q$

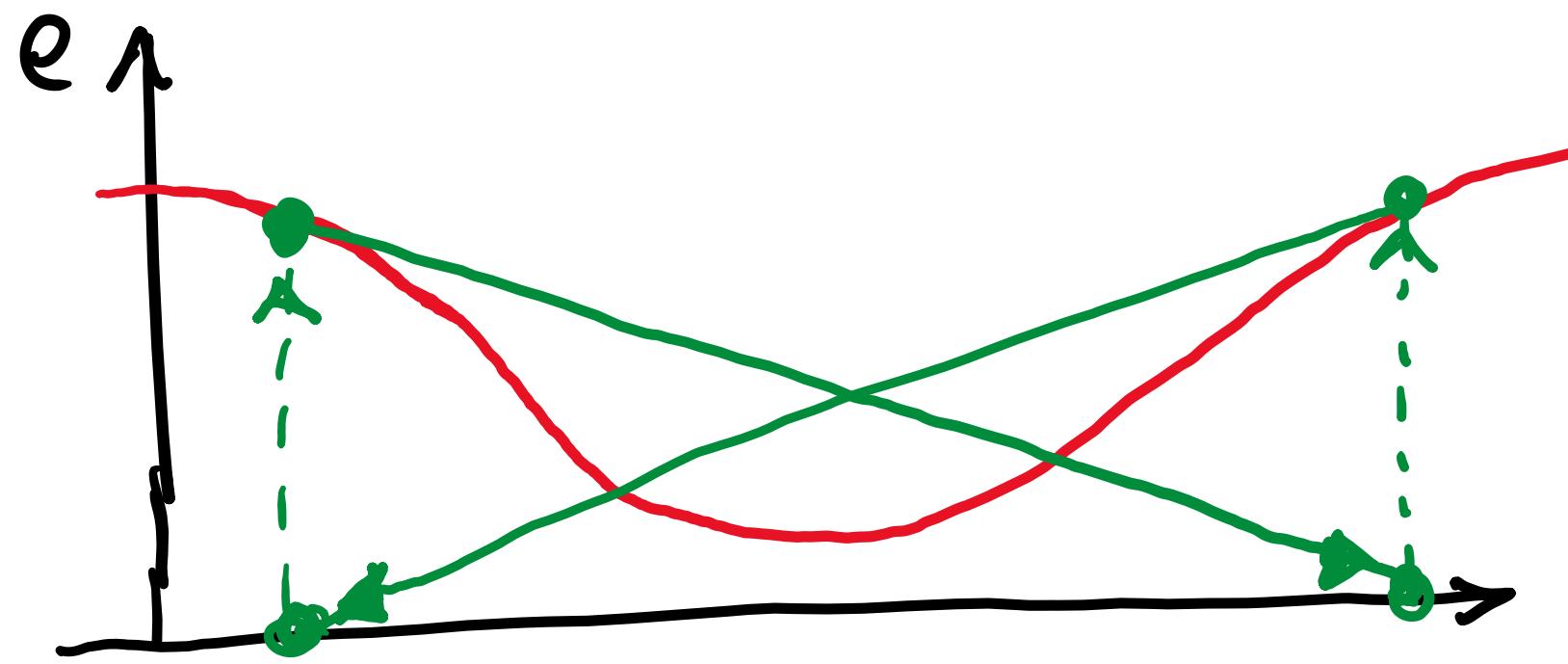
solution Ⓠ: damped pseudo-inverse to compute Δq

$$J^{-1} \approx J^T (JJ^T + \lambda I)^{-1} \quad \lambda \text{ small}$$

$$\Delta q = J^T (JJ^T + \lambda I)^{-1} e_i$$

\rightarrow works also with redundancy!

③ Get stuck in cycles



Solution ③:

- we can avoid cycles by ensuring that e_i decreases at each iteration
- move along the Newton direction but take smaller steps.

$$q^{i+1} = q^i + \underbrace{B J(q^i)^{-1} [P_e^d - P_e(q^i)]}_{\text{Newton step}}$$

STEP SIZE SELECTION

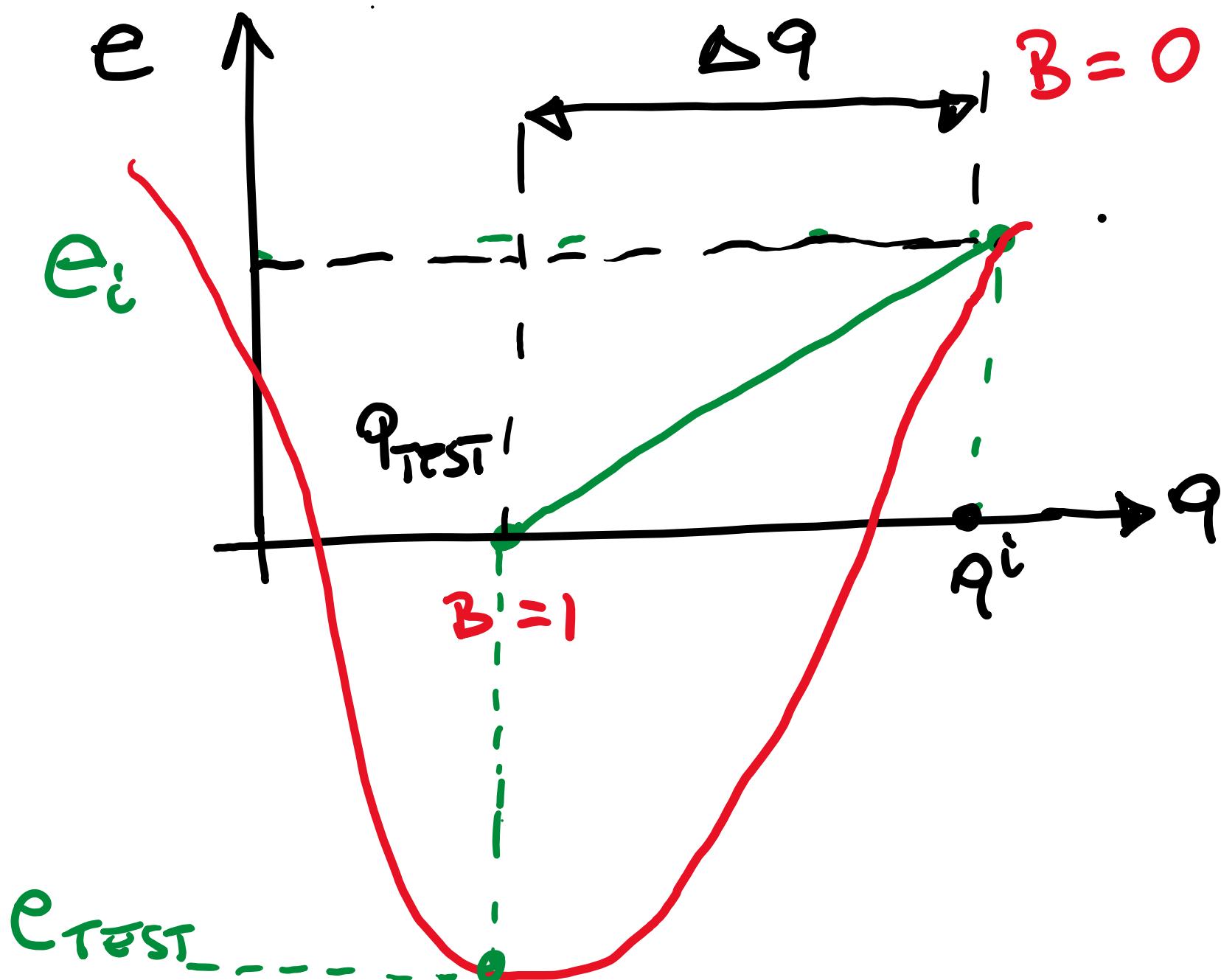
how To choose B ? $0 \leq B \leq 1$

$$① e_i = p_e^d - p_e(q^i)$$

$$② \Delta q = J^{-1}(q^i) e_i$$

$$③ q_{TEST} = q^i + B \Delta q$$

check The reduction of e with $B=1$



$$q_{TEST} = q^i + 1 \cdot \Delta q$$

$$\|e_i\| < \|e_{TEST}\|$$
NOT OK

\Rightarrow Take smaller step

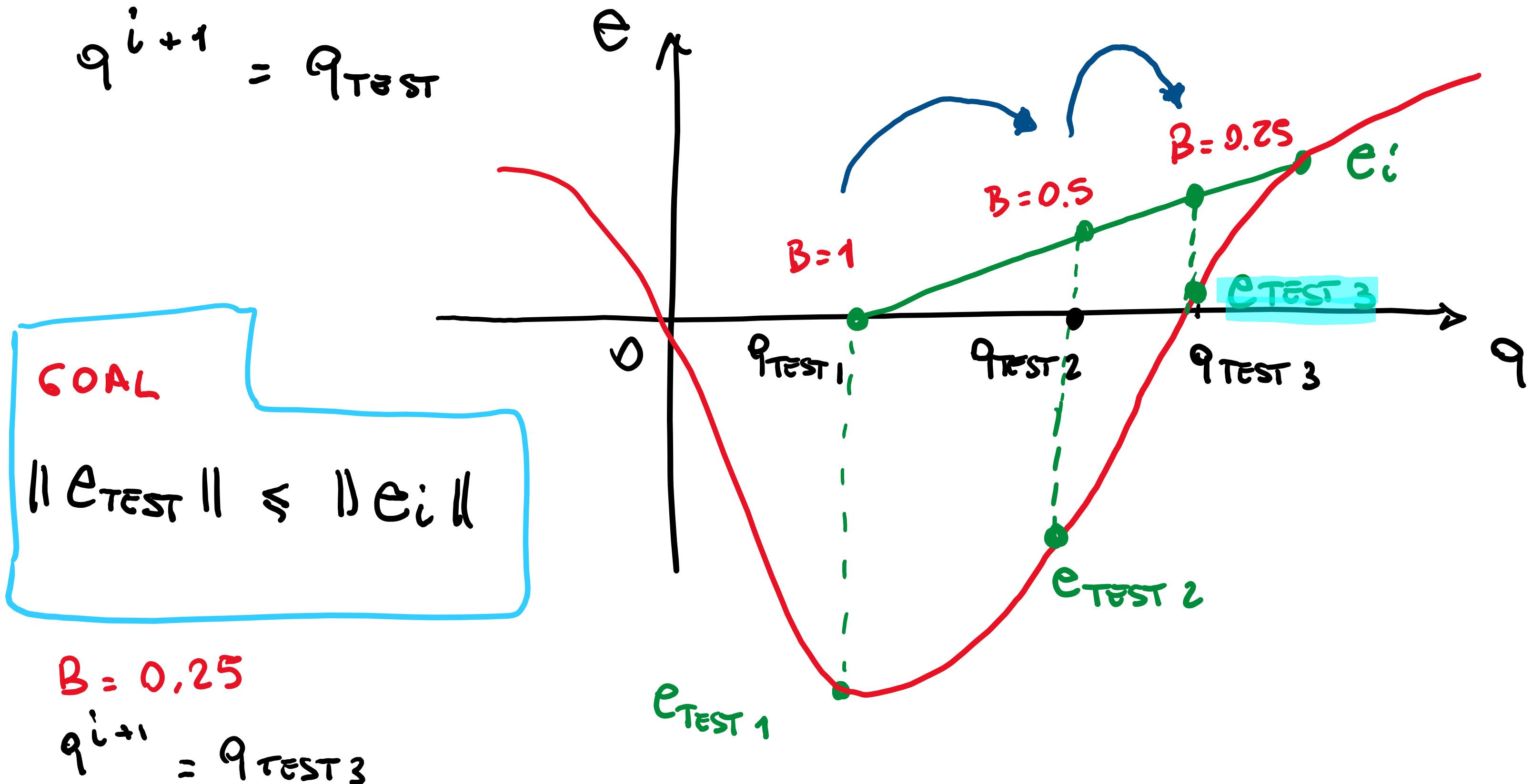
while $\|e_i\| \leq \|e_{\text{test}}\|$

$$B = B/2$$

$$q_{\text{TEST}} = q_i + B \Delta q$$

end

$$q^{i+1} = q_{\text{TEST}}$$



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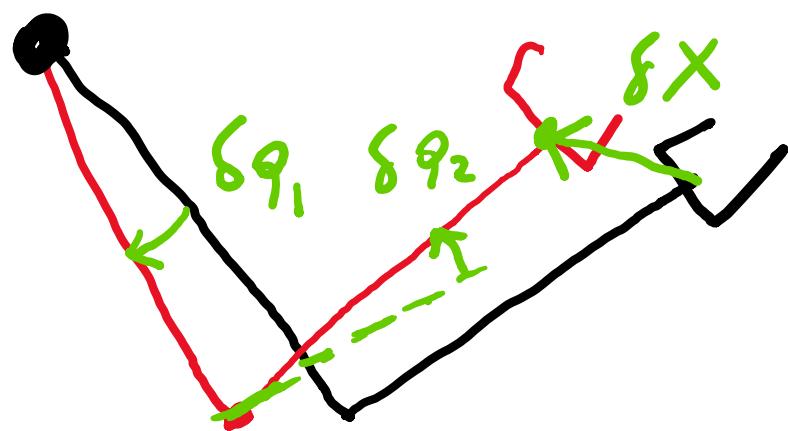
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RESOLVED MOTION RATE CONTROL

Directly find δq that corresponds to δx

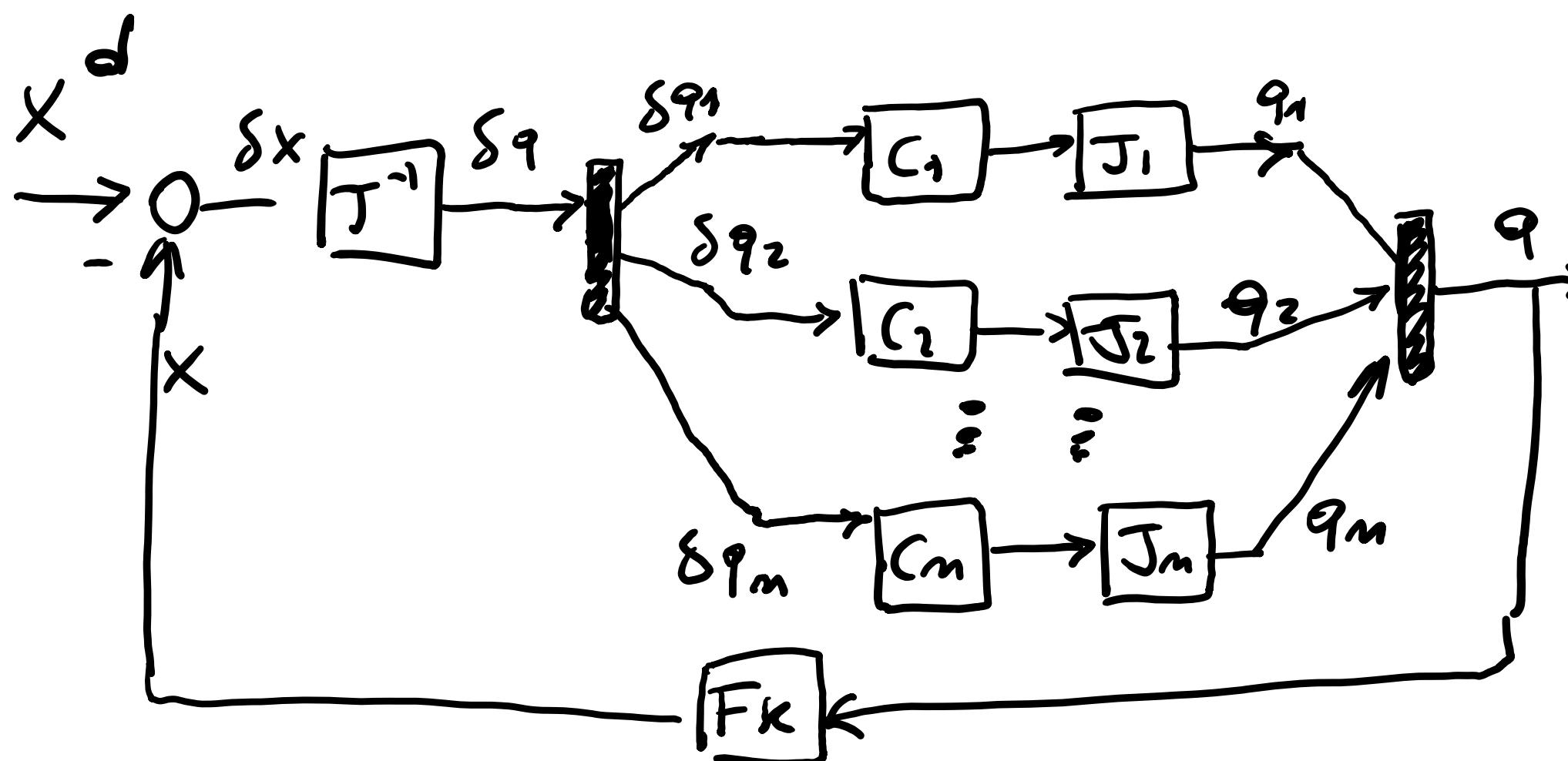


$$\delta x = J(q) \delta q$$

differential
kinematics

$$\boxed{\delta q = J^{-1}(q) \delta x}$$

→ always possible
for non
redundant
manipulators



[whitney 1969]

- differently from IK we close the loop at the end-effector

- + simple
- J can be ill conditioned (closed to singularity)
- redundancy $\rightarrow \exists \infty f_q$ that achieve the same δ_x
- discrepancy in the metric of JACOBIAN (rad/s and m/s are not homogeneous)
- we cannot set (ε_s for IK case) a desired tracking behavior for end-effector (only at joint level)

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DIRECT OPERATIONAL SPACE CONTROL

[Khatib 1987]

IDEA: instead of defining a motion for joints directly control forces that act on end-effector

- we need to consider the dynamic behavior of manipulator at end-effector (OPERATIONAL POINT)

MAP JOINT SPACE DYNAMICS TO EE

$$(1) M\ddot{q} + R = \tau$$

$$(2) \ddot{x} = J\ddot{q} + \dot{J}\dot{q} \Rightarrow \ddot{q} = J^{-1}(\ddot{x} - \dot{J}\dot{q}) \Rightarrow (1)$$

$$M J^{-1}(\ddot{x} - \dot{J}\dot{q}) + R = \tau$$

- premultiplying both sides for $(J^T)^{-1} = J^{-T}$

$$(J^{-T} M J^{-1}) \ddot{x} - \underbrace{J^{-T} M J^{-1} \dot{J} \ddot{q}}_{\Lambda(x)} + J^{-T} R = \underbrace{J^{-T} \ddot{z}}_{f}$$

$\Lambda(x)$ \dot{J} $\mu(x, \dot{x})$ f

\dot{J} can be singular!

(3) (3) $\Lambda(x) \ddot{x} + \mu(x, \dot{x}) = f$ manipulator dynamics reflected at end-effector

- $\Lambda(x) = J^{-T} M J^{-1}$ operational space inertia
- $\mu(x, \dot{x}) = -\Lambda \dot{J} \ddot{q} + J^{-T} R$ bias forces at end-effector
- f = Cartesian force at end-effector

Remark:

(3) is equivalent to project (1) with J^{-T}

$$J^{-T} [M \ddot{q} + R] = f$$

NOTE ON Λ

if The J is not square (e.g. our task is to control only end-effector position, Then J cannot be inverted.)

In this case is better to compute:

$$\Lambda = (J H^{-1} J^T)^{-1}$$
 that always exists

OPERATIONAL SPACE INVERSE DYNAMICS

Linearize (3):

$$(4) \quad f = \hat{\lambda} f^d + \hat{u}$$

$\hat{\lambda}, \hat{u}$ are estimates
better set $\hat{\lambda}=0$ than
use a poor estimate
(affects stability)

CLOSED LOOP DYNAMICS: plug (4) into (3)

$$I_{m \times m} \ddot{x} = f^d \quad (\text{unit mass!})$$

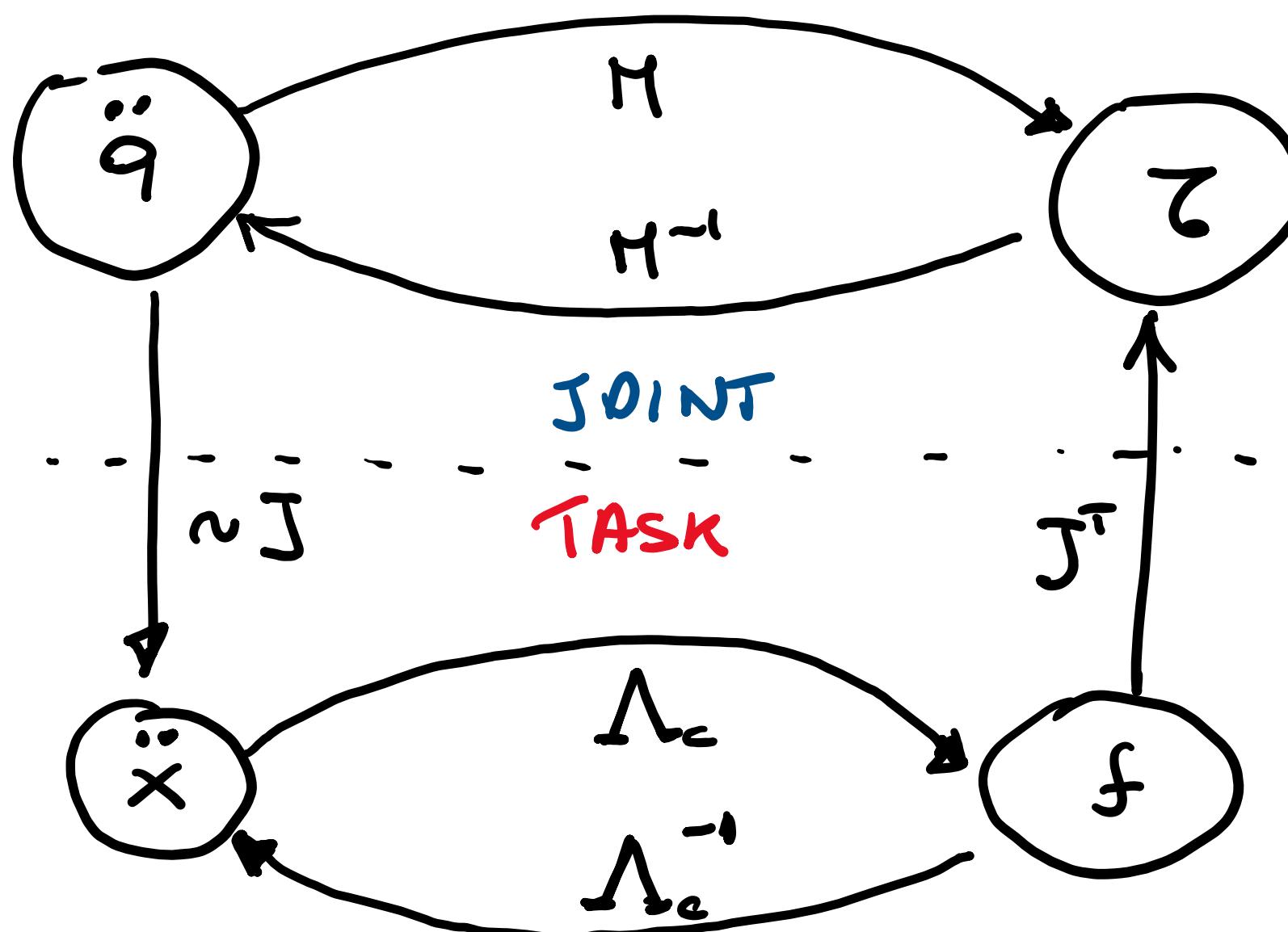
- define a controller at end-effector
- $f^d = \ddot{x}^d + K_x (x^d - x) + D_x (\dot{x}^d - \dot{x}), \quad \ddot{x}^d(t)$
- The error dynamics becomes ($e_x = x^d - x$)

$$I_{m \times m} \ddot{e}_x + D_x \dot{e}_x + K_x e_x = 0 \quad e_x \rightarrow 0$$

- The Torque command is $Z = J^T(\hat{\lambda} f^d + \hat{u})$

RECAP

HAPPINGS



$M: "Joint" \rightarrow "Joint"$
Torques

$M^{-1}: "Joint" \rightarrow "Joint"$
Torques

$J: "Joint" \rightarrow "Task"$
vels

"Joint" \rightarrow "Task"
accels

$J^T: "Task" \rightarrow "Joint"$
Torques

Newton law : $F = M \ddot{a}$

$\Lambda^{-1} = (J M^{-1} J^T)$: "Task forces" \rightarrow "Task accels"

$\Lambda = (J^{-T} M J^{-1})$: "Task accels" \rightarrow "Task forces"

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