

1. To prove: $S(a)R^T = S(Ra)$

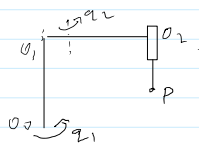
Consider $S(Ra) \cdot R \cdot a$ we will use the identity $S(a)p = a \times p$ to separate R and a to be $S(Ra)$

$$S(Ra) \cdot (Ra) = (R \cdot a) \times (R \cdot a) = R \cdot (a \times a) = R \cdot S(a) \cdot a = R \cdot S(a) \cdot I^T \cdot a = R \cdot S(a) \cdot R^T \cdot R \cdot a$$

$$\Rightarrow S(Ra) \cdot (Ra) = (R \cdot S(a) \cdot R^T) \cdot (Ra)$$

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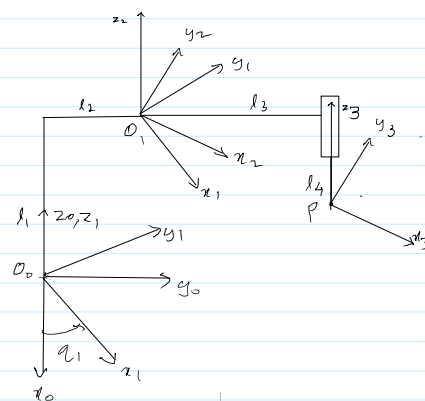
2. RRP SCARA schematic
Initially, all links are in the $y-z$ plane.



$$R_0^1 = [R_{zq1}] = \begin{bmatrix} c_{q1} & -s_{q1} & 0 \\ s_{q1} & c_{q1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad d_0^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1^2 = [R_{zq2}] = \begin{bmatrix} c_{q2} & -s_{q2} & 0 \\ s_{q2} & c_{q2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad d_1^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_2 \\ l_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_2^3 = I^3 \quad d_2^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_3 \\ -l_4 \end{bmatrix}$$



(indicated l_3 and l_4 correspond to initial setup)

l_4 is the fixed initial length before extension of the prismatic joint

$$H_0^1 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{q1} & -s_{q1} & 0 & 0 \\ s_{q1} & c_{q1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad H_1^2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{q2} & -s_{q2} & 0 & 0 \\ s_{q2} & c_{q2} & 0 & l_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & l_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad H_2^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & l_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -l_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -d \end{bmatrix} \quad d \text{ is the extension of the prismatic joint}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_0 \\ l_1 \end{bmatrix} = H_0^1 H_1^2 H_2^3 \begin{bmatrix} p_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{q1} & -s_{q1} & 0 & 0 \\ s_{q1} & c_{q1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{q2} & -s_{q2} & 0 & 0 \\ s_{q2} & c_{q2} & 0 & l_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & l_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & l_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -l_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -d \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

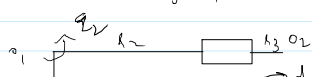
$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_{q2} & -s_{q2} & 0 & 0 \\ s_{q2} & c_{q2} & 0 & l_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & l_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_3 \\ -(d+l_4) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_{q1} & -s_{q1} & 0 & 0 \\ s_{q1} & c_{q1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -s_{q2} l_3 \\ l_2 + c_{q2} l_3 \\ l_1 - (d+l_4) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_3 \cdot c_{q1} s_{q2} - l_2 s_{q1} c_{q2} - l_1 s_{q1} \\ l_2 c_{q1} c_{q2} - l_3 s_{q1} c_{q2} + l_1 c_{q1} \\ l_1 (d+l_4) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -l_3 \cdot c_{q1} s_{q2} - l_2 s_{q1} c_{q2} - l_1 s_{q1} \\ l_2 c_{q1} c_{q2} - l_3 s_{q1} c_{q2} + l_1 c_{q1} \\ l_1 (d+l_4) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. RRP Stanford Schematic

Initially all links are in the $y-z$ plane



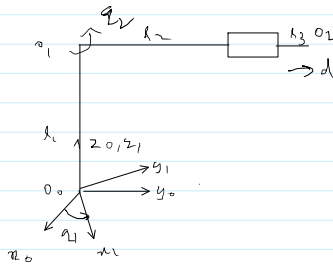
$$R_0^1 = R_{zq1} \quad d_{01} = 0$$

$$R_1^2 = R_{yq2} \cdot R_{zq2} \quad d_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ d_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{01} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{zq1} & d_{01} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{yq2} \cdot R_{zq2} & d_{12} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Initially all links are in the y-z plane



$$K_{01} = {}^{x_2}q_1 \quad \theta_{01} = 0$$

$$R_{12} = R_{y, \pi/2} \cdot R_{z, q_2} \quad d_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ d_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{23} = I^3$$

$$P_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

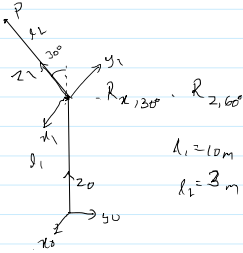
$$\begin{bmatrix} P_0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = H_{01} \cdot H_{12} \cdot H_{23} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} P_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{01} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{y, \pi/2} & R_{z, q_2} & d_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} I^3 & d_{23} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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At final orientation, obstacle is 3m directly above the drone
i.e. w.r.t drone, position of obstacle is 0, 0, 3.

This means that the final rotation $R_{2, 60^\circ}$ does not affect relative position of obstacle.

$$R_{01} = R_{x, 20^\circ} \quad \theta_{01} = [0, 0, 10]^\top$$

$$H_{01} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 20^\circ & -\sin 20^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & \sin 20^\circ & \cos 20^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 20^\circ & -\sin 20^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & \sin 20^\circ & \cos 20^\circ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \sin 20^\circ \\ 3 \cos 20^\circ \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Position of obstacle in base frame is $\left(0 \hat{i} - \frac{3}{2} \hat{j} + \left(10 + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \hat{k} \right) m$

6. Types of Gearboxes used for Motors in robotic applications:

Planetary Gearbox

Central sun gear rotates three to four planet gears that encircle it.
Pros- High torque produced in a small area, precise and durable
Cons- Complex design and construction, high power dissipation

Cycloidal Drive

Also called speed reducers, they reduce the speed of rotation of the input shaft. The ratio of reduction can be high with low play or backlash
Pros- Low backlash and hence lost energy, low noise, high impact resistance
Cons- Manufacturing is complex and requires high precision

REFLEX Torque Amplifier

Made by Genesis Robotics, lightweight and made of plastic. Meant to replace metal planetary gearboxes.

Pros- Because it's made of plastic, it's lighter and cheaper than conventional planetary gearboxes. Has no bearings, so gears can be hollow. Gears can be preloaded and with tapered teeth, zero backlash can be achieved.
Cons- Maintaining efficiency could be complex.

Reference

[1]

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7.

$$O_0 = [0 \ 0 \ 0]^\top \quad O_1 = {}^{R_2}q_1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_2 \\ l_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Z_0 = Z_1 = Z_2 = Z_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$O_0' = \begin{bmatrix} q_{11} & -q_{21} & 0 \\ q_{21} & q_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_2 \\ l_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_2 \sin q_{11} \\ l_2 \cos q_{11} \\ l_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

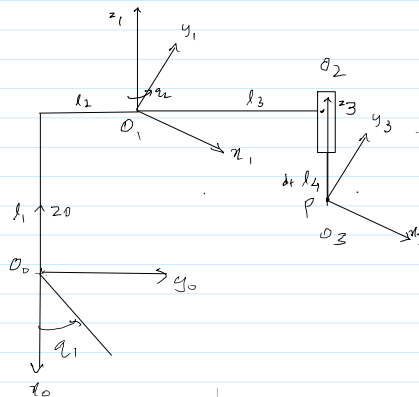
$$\text{Let } q_{12} = q_1 + q_2$$

From Q_2 we have

$$O_0'' = \begin{bmatrix} -l_3 \cos q_{12} - l_2 \sin q_{12} - l_1 \sin q_{11} \\ l_3 \sin q_{12} - l_2 \cos q_{12} + l_1 \cos q_{11} \\ l_1 (d + l_4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_3 \sin q_{12} - l_2 \sin q_{11} \\ l_3 \cos q_{12} + l_2 \cos q_{11} \\ l_1 - (d + l_4) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$O_0^2 = O_0' + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ (d + l_4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_3 \sin q_{12} - l_2 \sin q_{11} \\ l_3 \cos q_{12} + l_2 \cos q_{11} \\ l_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_1 = \begin{bmatrix} z_0 \times (O_0^2 - O_0^0) \\ z_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad J_2 = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \times (O_0^3 - O_0^1) \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad J_3 = \begin{bmatrix} z_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



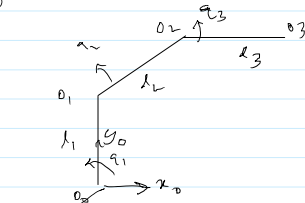
$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & -b \\ b & x & 0 \\ c & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & b & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -l_3 c_{12} - l_2 c_1 & -l_3 c_{12} & 0 \\ -l_3 s_{12} - l_2 s_1 & -l_3 s_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Manipulator Jacobian for RRP SCARA

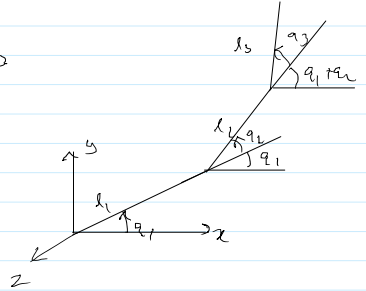
9. Schematic of the required RRR configuration:

All links are coplanar and are on the XY plane.



$$q_{12} = q_1 + q_2$$

$$q_{123} = q_1 + q_2 + q_3$$



$$J_1 = \begin{bmatrix} z_0 \times (0_0^3 - 0_0^1) \\ z_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_2 = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \times (0_0^3 - 0_0^1) \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_3 = \begin{bmatrix} z_2 \times (0_0^3 - 0_0^2) \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0_1 = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 c_1 \\ l_1 s_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0_2 = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} \\ l_1 s_1 + l_2 s_{12} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0_3 = 0_2 + \begin{bmatrix} l_3 c_{123} \\ l_3 s_{123} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} + l_3 c_{123} \\ l_1 s_1 + l_2 s_{12} + l_3 s_{123} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

from 2R manipulator

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -(l_1 s_1 + l_2 s_{12} + l_3 s_{123}) & -(l_2 s_{12} + l_3 s_{123}) & -l_3 s_{123} \\ l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} + l_3 c_{123} & l_2 c_{12} + l_3 c_{123} & l_3 c_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

which is the required manipulator Jacobian