

# COMS W4733, HW2

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## PROBLEM 1

**(a)** There are infinite solutions for this problem if we don't care about the angle. Because there is a laser in the end, like a prismatic joint with infinite range of length. Solving functions with three parameters  $\theta_1, \theta_2, d_3$  with only two constraints  $p_x$  and  $p_y$  will lead to infinite solutions.

No, the number of solutions doesn't depend on  $l_1$  or  $l_2$ .

**(b)** We could model the laser as a third prismatic joint with length  $d_3$ . So we try to solve  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, d_3)$  with equations of  $(p_x, p_y, \phi)$ :

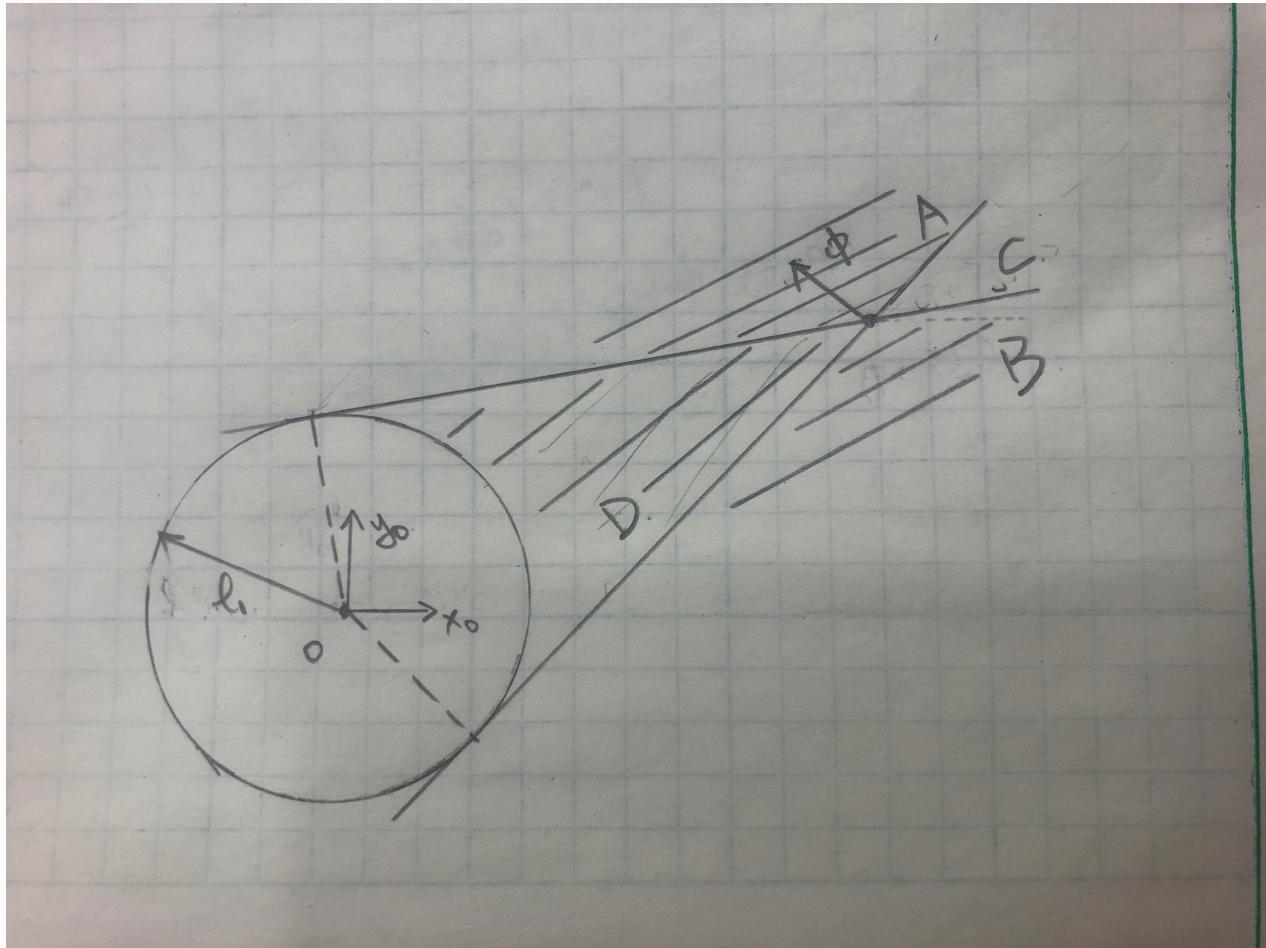
$$\begin{cases} \phi = \theta_1 + \theta_2 \\ p_x = l_1 c_1 + (l_2 + d_3) c_{12} \\ p_y = l_1 s_1 + (l_2 + d_3) s_{12} \end{cases}$$

We could get  $\theta_1$  and  $d_3$  from:

$$\begin{cases} p_x = l_1 c_1 + (l_2 + d_3) c_\phi \\ p_y = l_1 s_1 + (l_2 + d_3) s_\phi \end{cases}$$

Then use  $\theta_2 = \phi - \theta_1$ .

**(c)** The robots' workspace is bound by the angle  $\phi$  at  $(p_x, p_y)$ . For point  $p_x^2 + p_y^2 > l_1^2$ , we do tangents from this point to the circle with radius  $l_1$ . If  $\phi$  points to a direction in the region C, there are solutions. But for regions A, B and D, there is no solution.



## PROBLEM 2

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_p(q) &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_3} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -(L_1 + L_2 c_2 + L_3 c_{23}) s_1 & -L_2 c_1 s_2 - L_3 c_1 s_{23} & -L_3 c_1 s_{23} \\ (L_1 + L_2 c_2 + L_3 c_{23}) c_1 & -L_2 s_1 s_2 - L_3 s_1 s_{23} & -L_3 s_1 s_{23} \\ 0 & L_2 c_2 + L_3 c_{23} & L_3 c_{23} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
1	$L_1$	90	0	$\theta_1$
2	$L_2$	0	0	$\theta_2$

3

 $L_3$ 

0

0

 $\theta_3$ 

From the DH parameter table, we could get homogeneous transformations between frame 0 and  $i$ . We know that  $z_i^0$  is the top three elements of the third column from  $T_i^0$ . The angular velocity Jacobian is:

$$\begin{aligned} J_0 &= \begin{bmatrix} z_0^0 & z_1^0 & z_2^0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & s_1 & s_1 \\ 0 & -c_1 & -c_1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

So the full Jacobian matrix is:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -(L_1 + L_2 c_2 + L_3 c_{23}) s_1 & -L_2 c_1 s_2 - L_3 c_1 s_{23} & -L_3 c_1 s_{23} \\ (L_1 + L_2 c_2 + L_3 c_{23}) c_1 & -L_2 s_1 s_2 - L_3 s_1 s_{23} & -L_3 s_1 s_{23} \\ 0 & L_2 c_2 + L_3 c_{23} & L_3 c_{23} \\ 0 & s_1 & s_1 \\ 0 & -c_1 & -c_1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**(b)** The determination of  $J_P$  is:

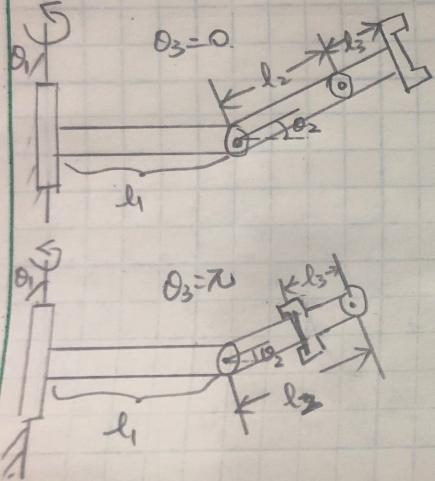
$$\det(J_P) = -l_2 l_3 s_3 (l_1 + l_2 c_2 + l_3 c_{23})$$

When  $s_3 = 0$  or  $l_1 + l_2 c_2 + l_3 c_{23} = 0$ ,  $\det(J_p) = 0$  and singularities occur.

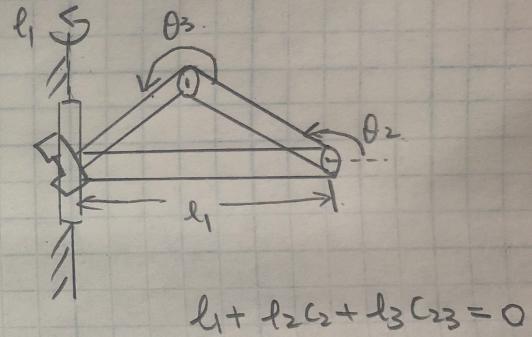
**(c)** When  $\theta_3 = 0$  or  $\pi$ ,  $s_3 = 0$ , elbow singularity occurs.

When  $l_1 + l_2 c_2 + l_3 c_{23} = 0$ , shoulder singularity occurs.

Elbow singularities:



Shoulder singularities:



### PROBLEM 3

(a) From the forward kinematics, we could get the linear velocity Jacobian:

$$J_p(q) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -(d_2 + 2)s_1 - c_1 - 2s_{13} & c_1 & -2s_{23} \\ (d_2 + 2)c_1 - s_1 + 2c_{13} & s_1 & 2c_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We could get the following DH parameter table:

Link	$a_i$	$\alpha_i$	$d_i$	$\theta_i$
1	1	90	0	$\theta_1 + 90$
2	0	-90	$d_2 + 2$	0
3	2	0	0	$\theta_3 - 90$

From the DH parameter table, we could get homogeneous transformations between frame 0 and  $i$ . We know that  $z_i^0$  is the top three elements of the third column from  $T_i^0$ . Since the first and third joints are revolute and joint 2 is prismatic, the angular velocity Jacobian is:

$$\begin{aligned} J_0 &= \begin{bmatrix} z_0^0 & 0 & z_2^0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

So the full  $6 \times 3$  Jacobian matrix is:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -(d_2 + 2)s_1 - c_1 - 2s_{13} & c_1 & -2s_{23} \\ (d_2 + 2)c_1 - s_1 + 2c_{13} & s_1 & 2c_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**(b)** The determination of the three non-zero rows of  $J$  is:

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} -(d_2 + 2)s_1 - c_1 - 2s_{13} & c_1 & -2s_{23} \\ (d_2 + 2)c_1 - s_1 + 2c_{13} & s_1 & 2c_{13} \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = -d_2 - 2$$

When  $d_2 = -2$ , the above determination turns to 0, singularities occurs. We couldn't differentiate the contribution of  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_3$ .

**(c)** The problem is underconstrained because there are only two desired velocities with three joints. The Jacobian is  $2 \times 3$ :

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -(d_2 + 2)s_1 - c_1 - 2s_{13} & c_1 & -2s_{23} \\ (d_2 + 2)c_1 - s_1 + 2c_{13} & s_1 & 2c_{13} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 - 1.5\sqrt{3} & 0.5\sqrt{3} & -\sqrt{3} \\ 0.5 + 2\sqrt{3} & 0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We could use the pseudoinverse to numerically find the "best" solution:

$$J_r^+ = \begin{bmatrix} -0.015 & 0.216 \\ 0.59 & 0.709 \\ -0.235 & -0.211 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{q}^* = J_r^+ v_d = \begin{bmatrix} -0.015 & 0.216 \\ 0.59 & 0.709 \\ -0.235 & -0.211 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.447 \\ 0.828 \\ -0.187 \end{bmatrix}$$

The right pseudo-inverse  $J_r^+$  minimizes a cost function in joint velocities:  $g(\dot{q}, v_d) = \frac{1}{2}(v_d - J\dot{q})^T(v_d - J\dot{q})$ .

**(d)** All possible solutions to the above problem including the homogeneous solution is:  $\dot{q} = J_r^+ v_d + (I - J_r^+ J)\dot{q}_0$ . So:

$$\mathbf{P} = I - J_r^+ J = I - \begin{bmatrix} -0.015 & 0.216 \\ 0.59 & 0.709 \\ -0.235 & -0.211 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 - 1.5\sqrt{3} & 0.5\sqrt{3} & -\sqrt{3} \\ 0.5 + 2\sqrt{3} & 0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.075 & -0.095 & -0.242 \\ -0.098 & 0.123 & 0.313 \\ -0.244 & 0.314 & 0.804 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\dot{q}_0$  is arbitrary solutions to  $v_d = J\dot{q}$ .

**(e)** The problem is overconstrained because there are more specifications than DOFs. Jacobian has 6 rows and 3 columns.

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -2 - 1.5\sqrt{3} & 0.5\sqrt{3} & -\sqrt{3} \\ 0.5 + 2\sqrt{3} & 0.5 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We could use the pseudoinverse to numerically find the "best" solution:

$$J_l^+ = \begin{bmatrix} -0.123 & 0.218 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.432 \\ 0.730 & 0.706 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.559 \\ 0.123 & -0.218 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.432 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{q}^* = J_l^+ v_d = \begin{bmatrix} -0.123 & 0.218 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.432 \\ 0.730 & 0.706 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.559 \\ 0.123 & -0.218 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.432 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.423 \\ -0.436 \\ -3.423 \end{bmatrix}$$

The left pseudo-inverse tries to minimize the resulting error:  $g(\dot{q}, v_d) = \frac{1}{2}(v_d - J\dot{q})^T(v_d - J\dot{q})$ .

(f) Using the joint solution in the previous part, we could get the actual end effector velocities as:

$$v_e = J\dot{q}^* = \begin{bmatrix} -2 - 1.5\sqrt{3} & 0.5\sqrt{3} & -\sqrt{3} \\ 0.5 + 2\sqrt{3} & 0.5 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1.423 \\ -0.436 \\ -3.423 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.001 \\ 2.000 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -2.000 \end{bmatrix}$$

Comparing with the workspace velocities, we could find that  $\dot{z}$ ,  $w_x$  could not achieve. It is worth mentioning that  $w_y$  could not achieve either although the  $w_y$  in  $v_e$  agrees with  $w_y$  given. Because these three components are related with the motion perpendicular to the plane, which could not be achieved by the planar manipulator.

## PROBLEM 4

(a) Since the final velocity is 1 rad/s and the deceleration rate is 2 rad/s<sup>2</sup>, if with another  $t_m = \frac{1}{2}$ s, the velocity at  $t = t_f + t_m$  will be 0 rad/s. Then the modified position, velocity and acceleration profiles will be the same as the LSPD we learnt in class.

Using  $t_d$  to denote the time the joint begins to decelerate, we have:

$$2 = q(t_f) = 0.5 * \ddot{q}_c * t_c^2 * 2 + \ddot{q}_c * t_c * (t_d - t_c) - 0.5 * \ddot{q}_c * t_m^2 = 2t_c t_d - 0.25$$

$$\begin{cases} t_c * t_d = \frac{9}{8} \\ 2.5 - t_d = t_c \end{cases}$$

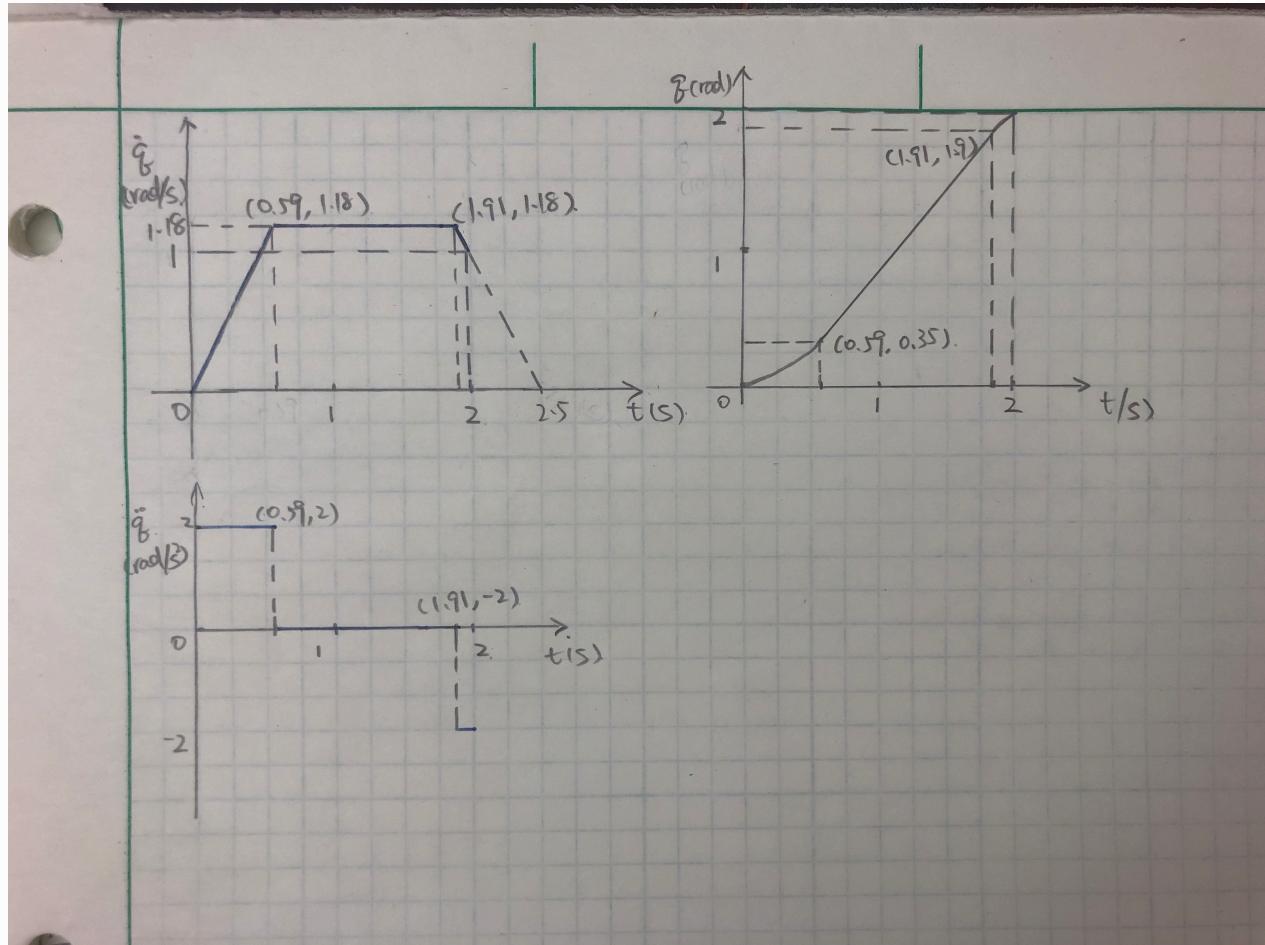
$$t_c = \frac{5 - \sqrt{7}}{4}, \quad t_d = \frac{5 + \sqrt{7}}{4}$$

We ignore the reverse solution because  $t_c < t_d$ .

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{q}(t_c) &= \ddot{q}_c t_c \approx 1.18 \text{ rad/s}, \\ q(t_c) &= 0.5 \ddot{q}_c t_c^2 \approx 0.35 \text{ rad}, \\ q(t_d) &= 2 + 0.5 * 2 * 0.5^2 - q(t_c) \approx 1.9 \text{ rad}. \end{aligned}$$

The profiles are:



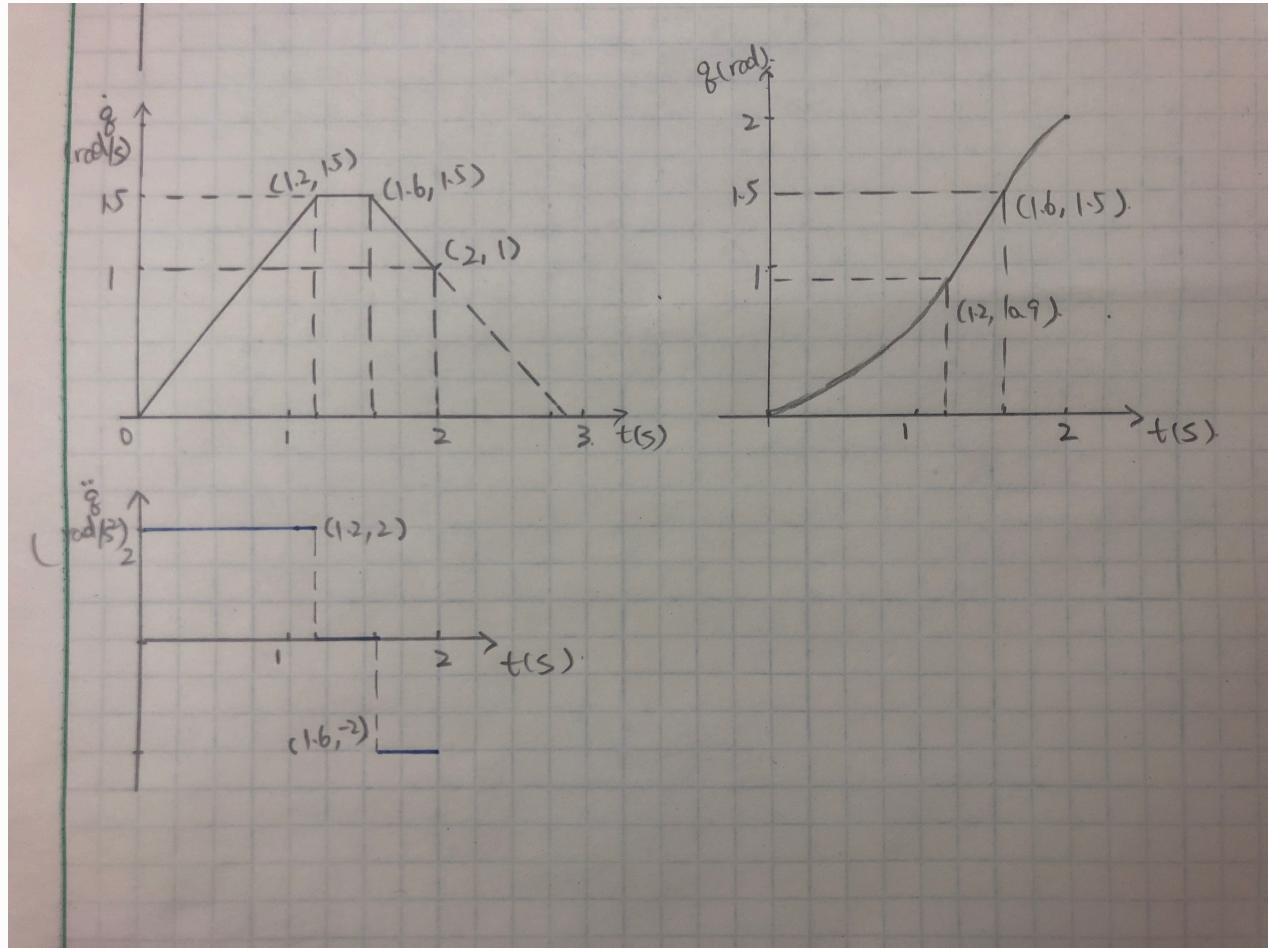
**(b)** Knowing that  $\dot{q}_c = 1.5 \text{ rad/s}$  and final velocity is  $\dot{q}_f = 1 \text{ rad/s}$ , similar to previous part, we could extrapolate the trajectory to the LSPD we learnt in class. Still use  $t_d$  to denote the deceleration time.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{2-t_d}{t_c} = \frac{1.5-1}{1.5} \\ 2 = 0.5\dot{q}_c t_c - (1 - (\frac{2}{3})^2) * (0.5\dot{q}_c t_c) + \dot{q}_c(t_d - t_c) \end{cases}$$

And we could get the solution:  $t_c = 1.2 \text{ s}$ ,  $t_d = 1.6 \text{ s}$ .

So we have:  $\ddot{q}_c = \dot{q}_c/t_c = 1.25 \text{ rad/s}^2$ ,  $q_c = 0.5\dot{q}_c t_c = 0.9 \text{ rad}$ ,  $q(t_d) = q_c + \dot{q}_c(t_d - t_c) = 1.5 \text{ rad}$ .

The profiles are:



## PROBLEM 5

(a) From the DH parameters, we could get the transformation matrix:

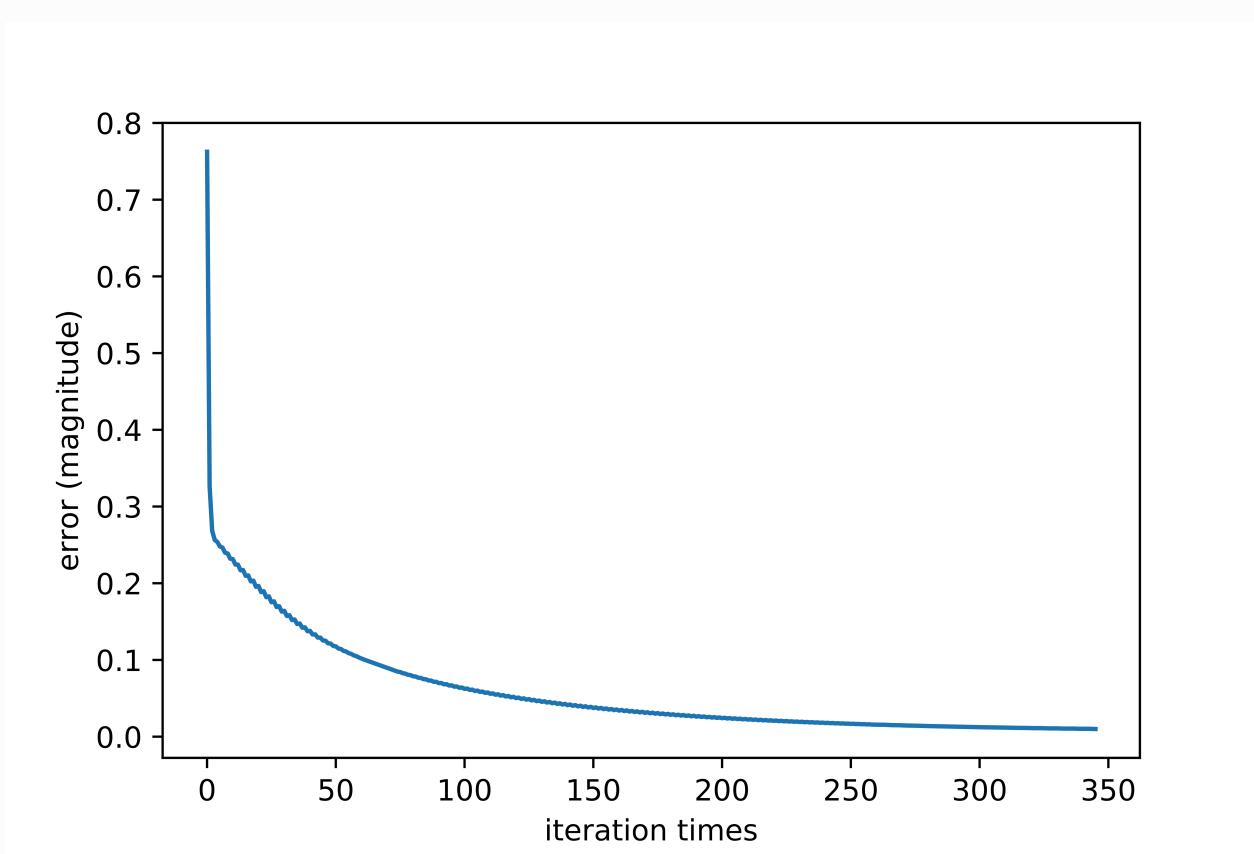
$$A_1^0 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.333 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_2^1 = \begin{bmatrix} c_2 & 0 & -s_2 & 0 \\ s_2 & 0 & c_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_3^2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_3 & 0 & s_3 & 0 \\ s_3 & 0 & -c_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0.316 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

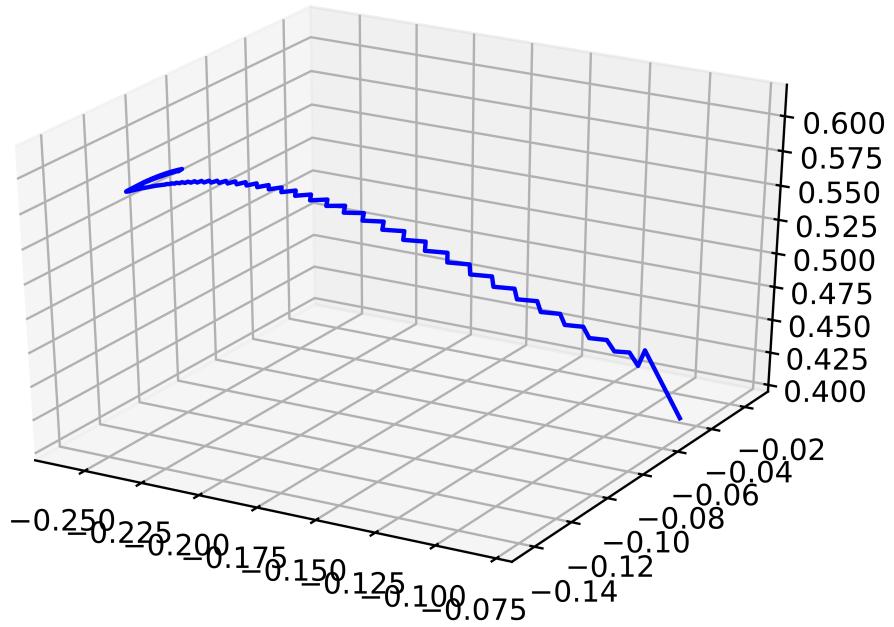
$$A_4^3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_4 & 0 & s_4 & 0.0825c_4 \\ s_4 & 0 & -c_4 & 0.0825s_4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_5^4 = \begin{bmatrix} c_5 & 0 & -s_5 & -0.0825c_5 \\ s_5 & 0 & c_5 & -0.0825s_5 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0.384 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_6^5 = \begin{bmatrix} c_6 & 0 & s_6 & 0 \\ s_6 & 0 & -c_6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_7^6 = \begin{bmatrix} c_7 & 0 & s_7 & 0.088c_7 \\ s_7 & 0 & -c_7 & 0.088s_7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Because of the computation complexity, we calculate the linear velocity Jacobian with  $[J_{Pi}] = z_{i-1}^0 \times (p_e - p_{i-1})$  and angular velocity Jacobian with  $[J_{O_i}] = z_{i-1}^0$ . Corresponding code is provided.

(b) The plot of error and 3D trajectory plot are given as following:





The algorithm runs fast when I choose error threshold =0.01 and converges fast. But the result is a little zigzag. I didn't use any weighting parameters. From the error plot, we could see that it converges around 300 times. The algorithm didn't run into singularities.

**(b)** The manipulator didn't run into singularities. The solution of pseudoinverse method is very unstable while the damped is quite smooth. Both methods take more time to run than simple Jacobian transpose. Figures see attached.

