

Robotic Locomotion & Kinematics

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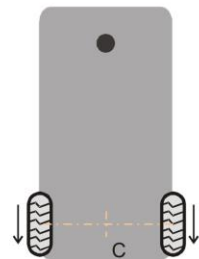
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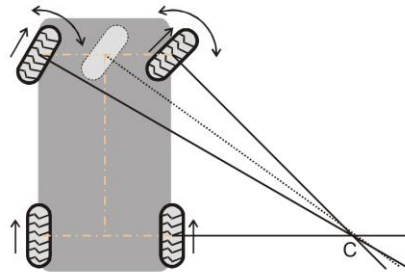
Locomotion

(Mobile Robot)

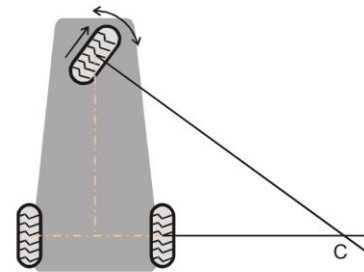
Locomotion (i) - Wheels



Differential drive
(wheelchair)

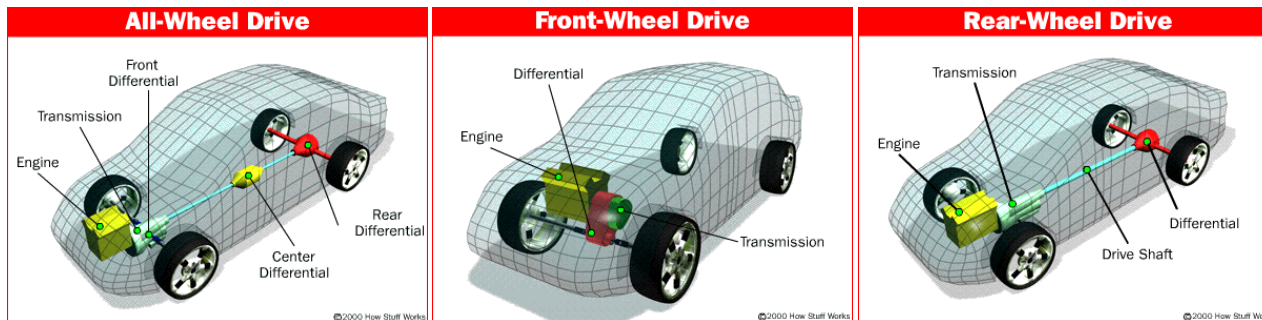


Ackerman
(normal car drive)

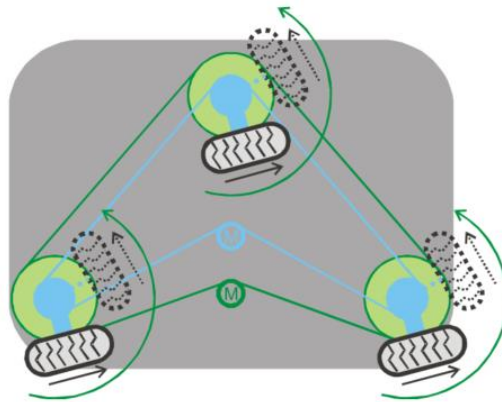


Tricycle

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(normal car drive)

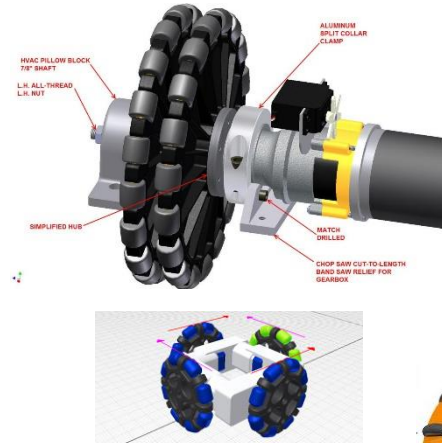
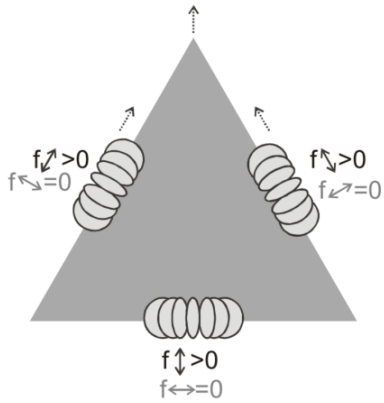


Locomotion (ii) – Omni / Omniwheels



Synchronous
(Quasi omnidrive)

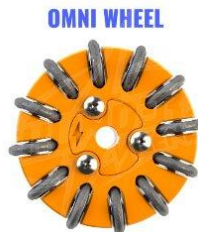
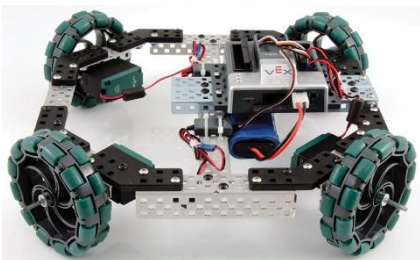
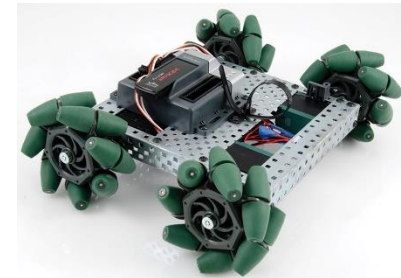
Locomotion (iii) – Omni / Omniwheels



Omni Wheels Holonomic Drive



Mecanum Wheel



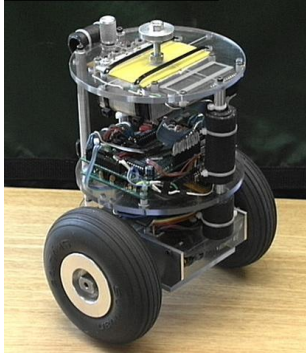
<https://www.servomagazine.com/magazine/article/a-look-at-holonomic-locomotion>
<https://www.chiefdelphi.com/t/help-with-omni-wheels/83764/21>

<https://www.vicenzathunders.com/products>

Mecannum (Omni) Wheels

- <http://youtu.be/o-j9TRel1aQ>
- <http://youtu.be/Yng7JB6swul>
- <http://youtu.be/TXTo16KKm8Q>
- Omni Lifter Airtrax Cobra - <http://youtu.be/IlmKcohyXG0>
- Lego Omni Wheel - <http://youtu.be/7fevklHUalk>

Locomotion (iv)



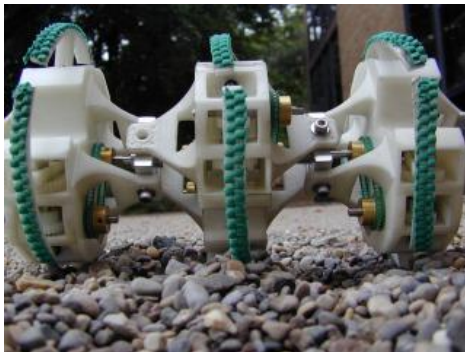
Nbot / segway



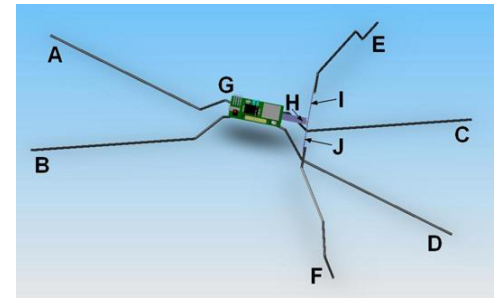
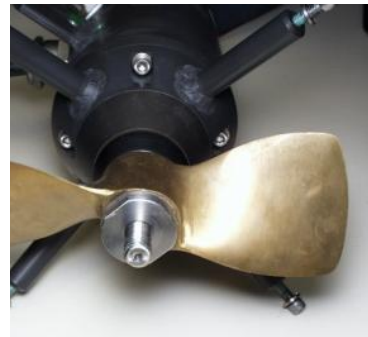
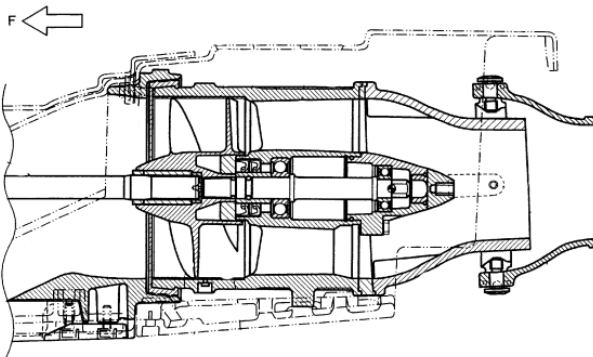
Track Drive
(military tank like)



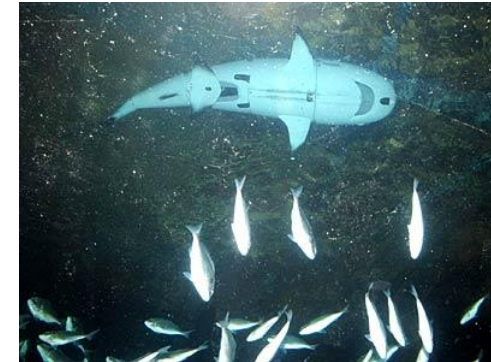
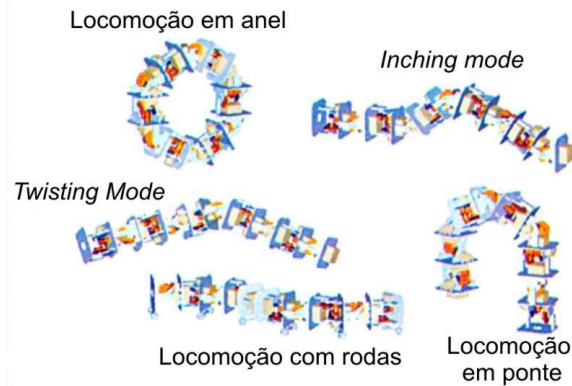
Soryu



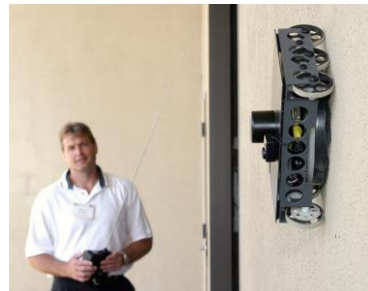
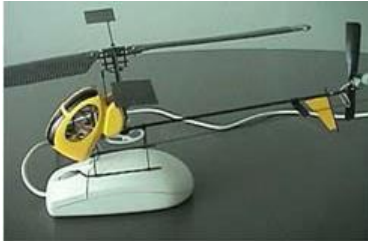
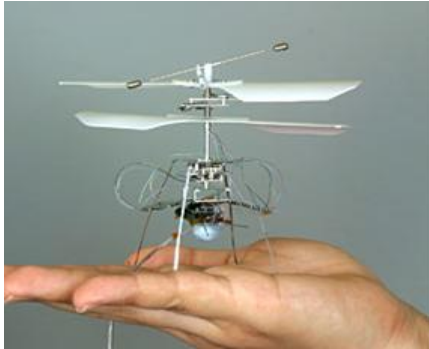
Locomotion (v) – water related



Locomotion (vi)



Locomotion (vii) – Heli, Jet, Mars, other...



Other motion principles

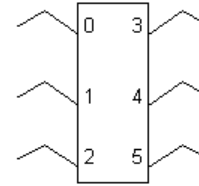
- Jet / Propellers (air/water)
 - Dynamic (rudder, plane wings - *pressure difference*)
 - Helicopter
 - Wings / directive fins / rudders (air/water)
- Rocket / Solar Wind / Ion Thrusters
- Wind...
- ...
- Keep a sharp eye –
many, MANY other options !!!

Legged Locomotion

Example: 6 legs

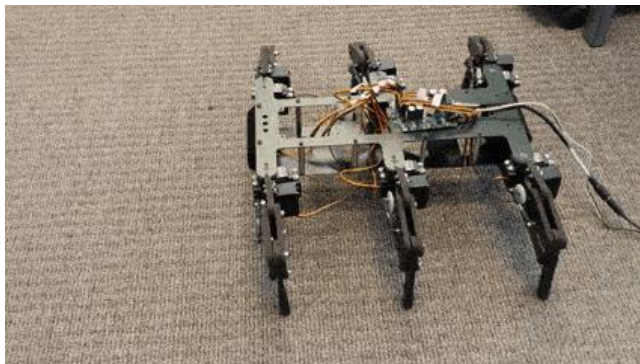
Forward Sequence:

- Lift legs 0, 2 and 4.
- Pull back legs 1, 3 and 5 to push robot forwards.
- Lower legs 0, 2 and 4.
- Lift legs 1, 3 and 5.
- Move legs 1, 3 and 5 forward to reset them.
- Pull back legs 0, 2 and 4 to push robot forwards.
- Lower legs 1, 3 and 5.
- Lift legs 0, 2 and 4.
- Move legs 0, 2 and 4 forward to reset them.
- Lower legs 0, 2 and 4.



Turn Right Sequence:

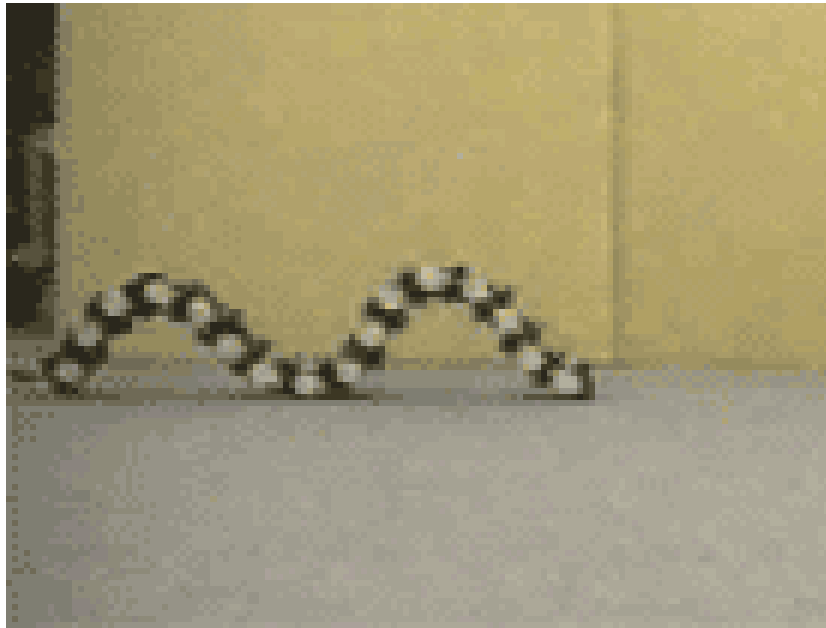
- Lift legs 1, 3 and 5.
- Push back legs 0 and 2 to turn robot.
- Lower legs 1, 3 and 5.
- Lift legs 0 and 2.
- Move legs 0 and 2 forward to reset them.
- Lower legs 0 and 2.



<http://www.mcdonald.org.uk/andrew/archive/robot/comp/movement.htm>
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZhB4nFN_mRI
<http://youtu.be/-Soq9qpK5Ac>

[https://www.phidgets.com/
?view=articles&article=HexWalkerFirstSteps](https://www.phidgets.com/?view=articles&article=HexWalkerFirstSteps)

Locomotion animations



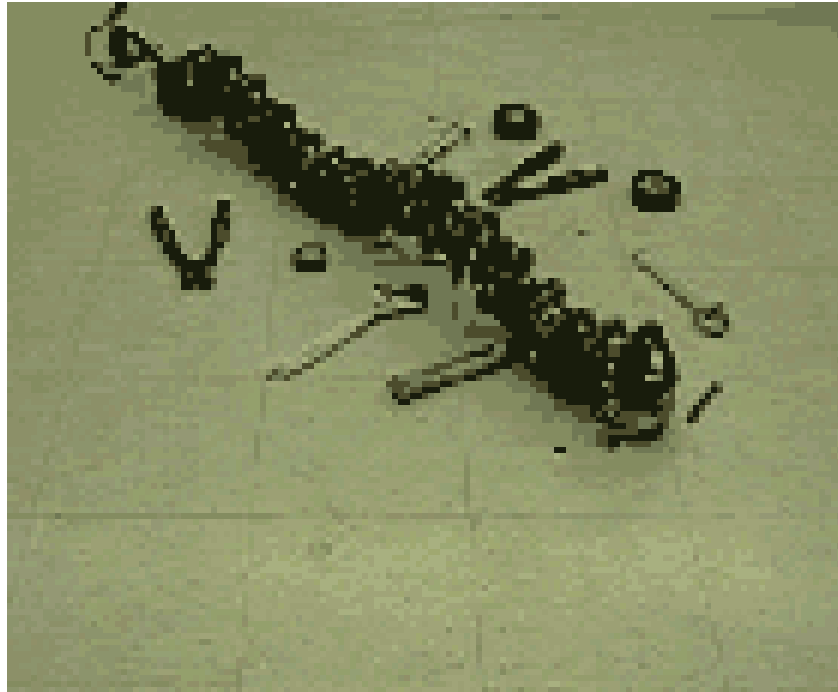
Locomotion animations (ii)



Locomotion animations (iii)



Locomotion animations (iv)



Locomotion animations (v) - caterpillar

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vfw4nduVU_E

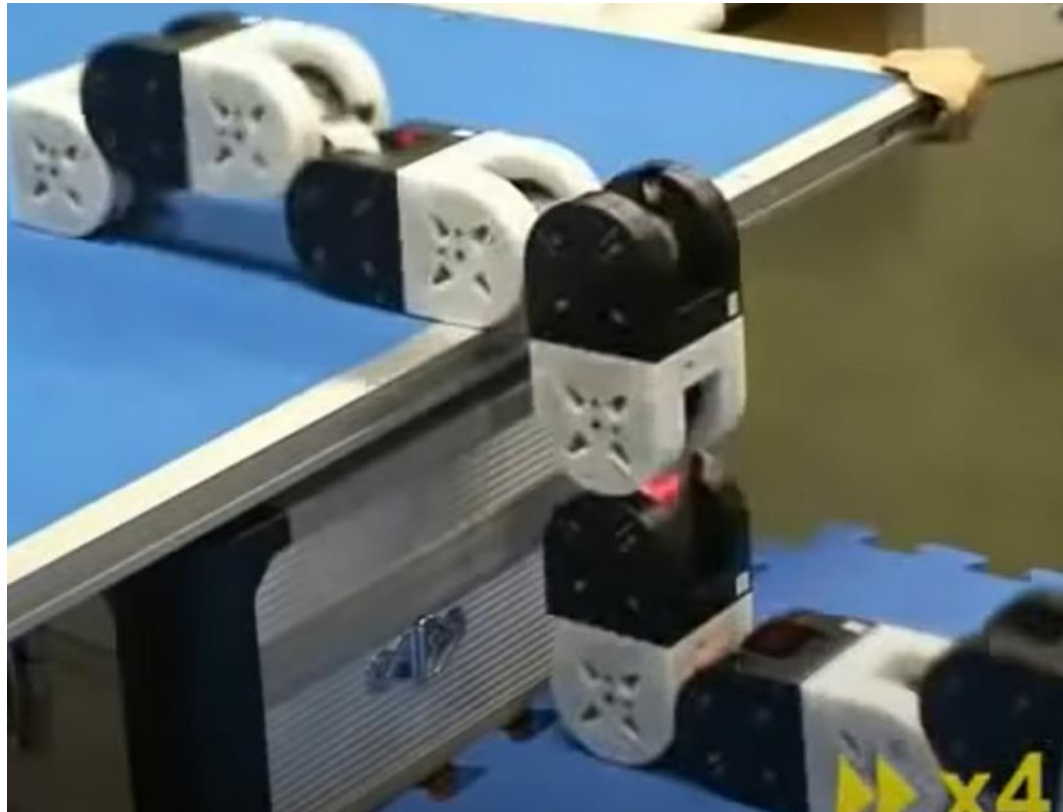


Locomotion animations (vi) - rolling



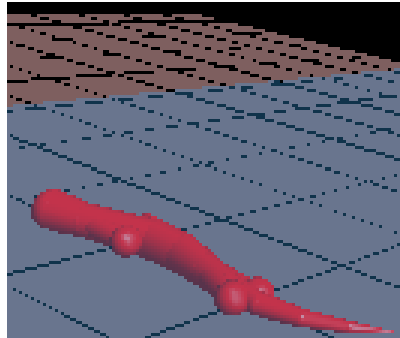
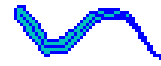
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f3rr1lcFe3Q&feature=related>

Snake Morphing Adapt Locomotion...



<http://youtu.be/v6W-sEpJEqY>

Locomotion animations – Biology inspired



Less common robots

Mtran Modular robot:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4oSavAHf0dg>

<http://unit.aist.go.jp/is/frrg/dsysd/mtran3/mtran3.htm>

Robotic Chair (reassembles itself):

<http://youtu.be/t5pvZoZwzh0>

LS3 - Legged Squad Support System (“dog”):

<http://youtu.be/R7ezXBEBE6U>

<http://youtu.be/cNZPRsrwumQ>

Ibot Robotic Wheel chair (climbs stairs):

<http://youtu.be/O7otewMk9pc>

<https://youtu.be/9qYz2wsVKYE> (more recent)

Origami Robot:

<https://spectrum.ieee.org/origami-robot-folds-itself-up-does-cool-stuff-dissolves-into-nothing>

<https://youtu.be/f0CluQiwLRg>

<https://youtu.be/Awufipq9JnQ>

Summary

- Many locomotion types...
 - According to environment...
- Most common and relevant to this course: Differential drive
 - OmniWheels a also easy!

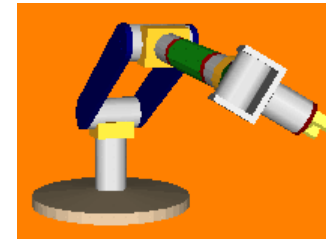
Kinematics & Dynamics

Degrees of Freedom

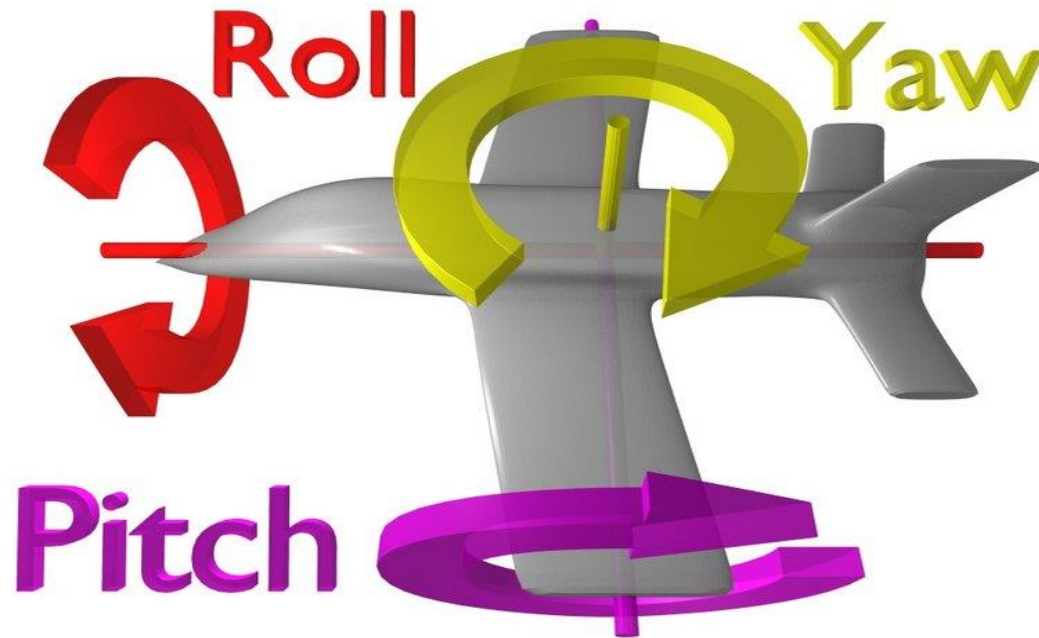
Mechanical engineering, aeronautical engineering, and robotics, the six DOFs of a rigid body have special names: This is a typical robot arm which has 7 DOF (including surge at the end of the arm).

1. Moving up and down (heaving);
2. Moving left and right (swaying);
3. Moving forward and backward (surging);
4. Tilting up and down (pitching);
5. Turning left and right (yawing);
6. Tilting side to side (rolling).

Obs: Euler angles!!!



Degrees of Freedom (ii)



2D Robot dynamic model

◆ State Vector:

$$X_r^T = [x_r \ y_r \ \theta_r \ v_{rt} \ v_{rm} \ \omega_r]$$

◆ Dynamics:

$$\dot{x}_r = v_{rt} \cos \theta_r - v_{rm} \sin \theta_r$$

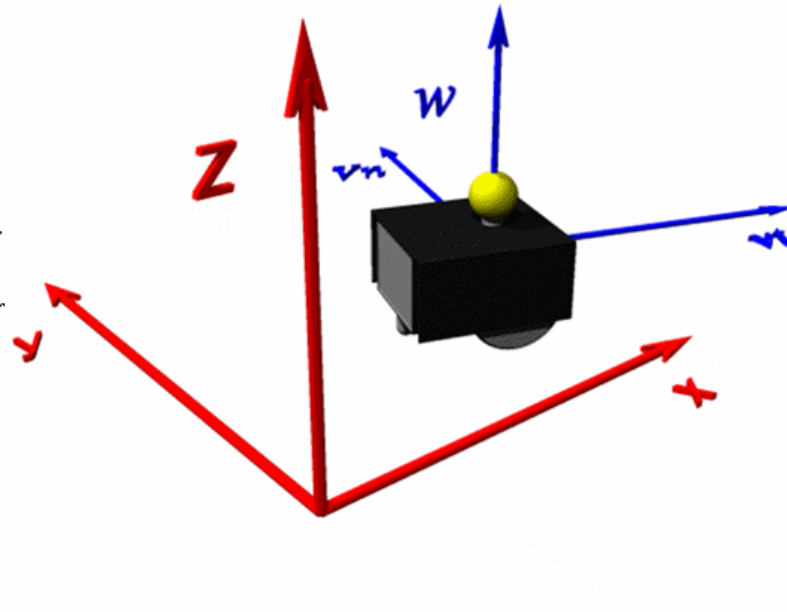
$$\dot{y}_r = v_{rt} \sin \theta_r + v_{rm} \cos \theta_r$$

$$\dot{\theta}_r = \omega_r$$

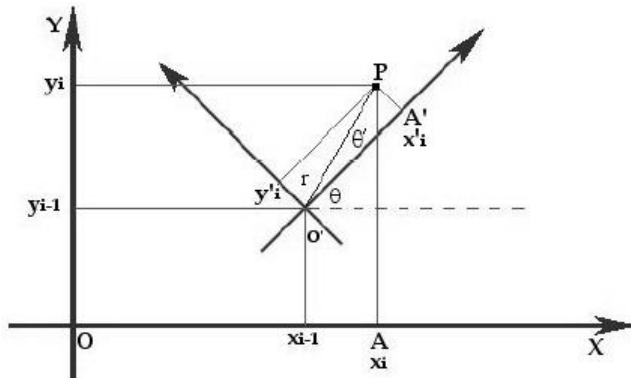
$$\dot{v}_{rt} = \alpha(v_{ref} - v_{rt})$$

$$\dot{v}_{rm} = 0$$

$$\dot{\omega}_r = \gamma(\omega_{ref} - \omega_r)$$



2D movement



$$x_i = \overline{OA} = x_{i-1} + r \cdot \cos(\theta + \theta') = x_{i-1} + r \cdot \cos(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta') - r \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \sin(\theta') \quad (1)$$

$$y_i = \overline{AP} = y_{i-1} + r \cdot \sin(\theta + \theta') = y_{i-1} + r \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\theta') + r \cdot \cos(\theta) \cdot \sin(\theta') \quad (2)$$

$$x_i' = \overline{OA'} = r \cdot \cos(\theta') \quad (3)$$

$$y_i' = \overline{A'P} = r \cdot \sin(\theta') \quad (4)$$

$$x_i = x_i' \cdot \cos(\theta) - y_i' \cdot \sin(\theta) + x_{i-1} \quad (5)$$

$$y_i = x_i' \cdot \sin(\theta) + y_i' \cdot \cos(\theta) + y_{i-1} \quad (6)$$

$$\theta_i = \theta_i' + \theta_{i-1} \quad (7)$$

$$x_i = d_i \cdot \cos(\theta_i) + x_{i-1} \quad (8)$$

$$y_i = d_i \cdot \sin(\theta_i) + y_{i-1} \quad (9)$$

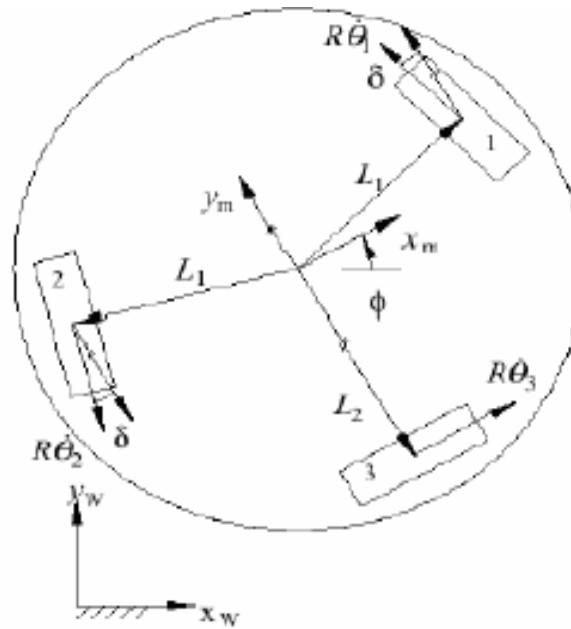
Simulation of Mobile Robots in Virtual Environments
 Jesús Savage, Emmanuel Hernández, Gabriel Vázquez,
 Humberto Espinosa, Edna Márquez

Position: $x(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3$

Speed: $\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = a_1 + 2a_2 t + 3a_3 t^2$

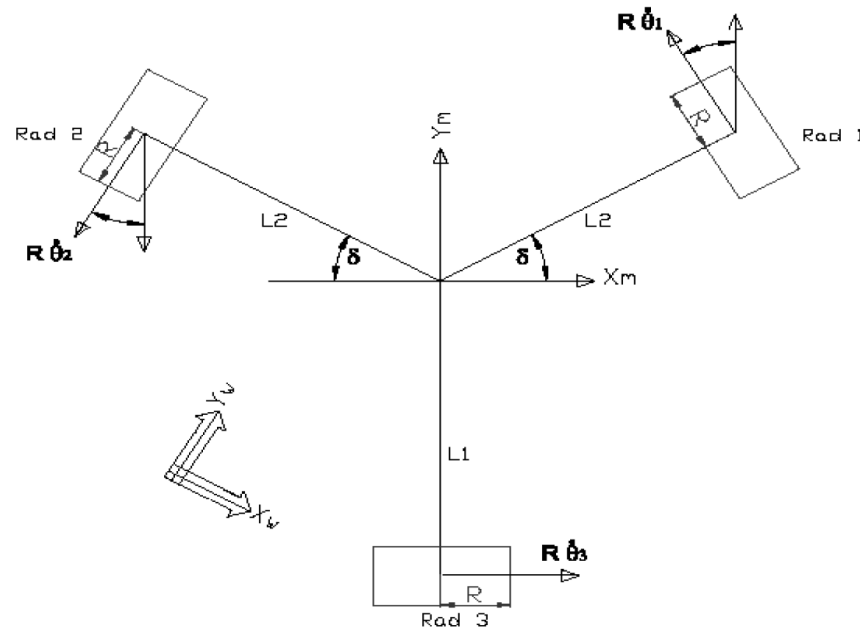
Acceleration: $\frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} = 2a_2 + 6a_3 t$

Omniwheels



$$\begin{Bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{1}{R} \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(\delta) & -\cos(\delta) & L_1 \\ -\sin(\delta) & \cos(\delta) & L_1 \\ 1 & 0 & L_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{x}_m \\ \dot{y}_m \\ \dot{\phi} \end{Bmatrix}$$

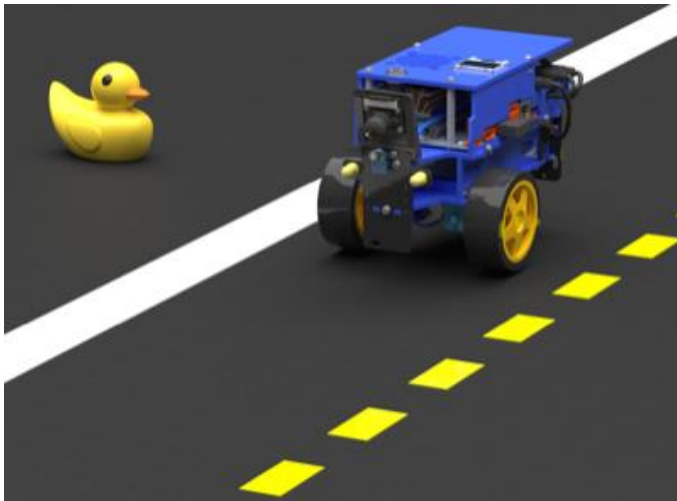
Omniwheels (ii)



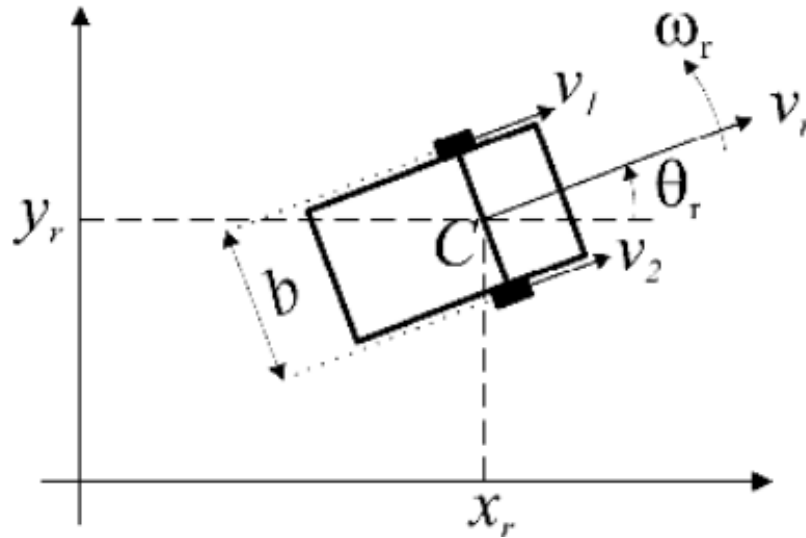
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Differential Drive Robot ("Wheelchair" drive)

- Math (kinematics) -



Differential ground robot



$$v_t = v_r$$

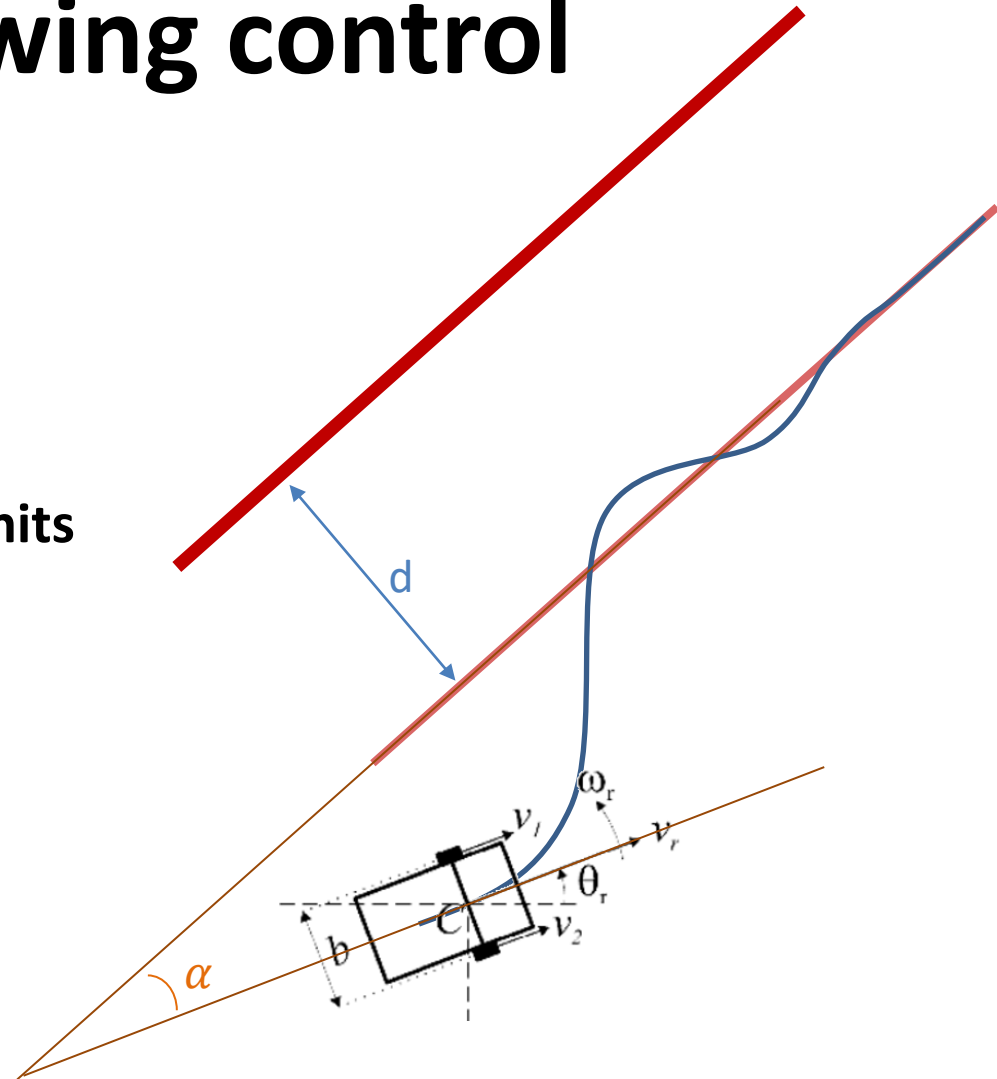
$$\begin{cases} v_t = \frac{(v_1 + v_2)}{2} \\ \omega_r = \frac{(v_1 - v_2)}{b} \end{cases}$$

“Pose” $\Rightarrow (x, y, \theta)$

$$\begin{cases} x_r(t+1) = x_r(t) + v_r(t) \cdot \cos \theta_r(t) \cdot \Delta t \\ y_r(t+1) = y_r(t) + v_r(t) \cdot \sin \theta_r(t) \cdot \Delta t \\ \theta_r(t+1) = \theta_r(t) + \omega_r(t) \cdot \Delta t \end{cases}$$

Wall following control

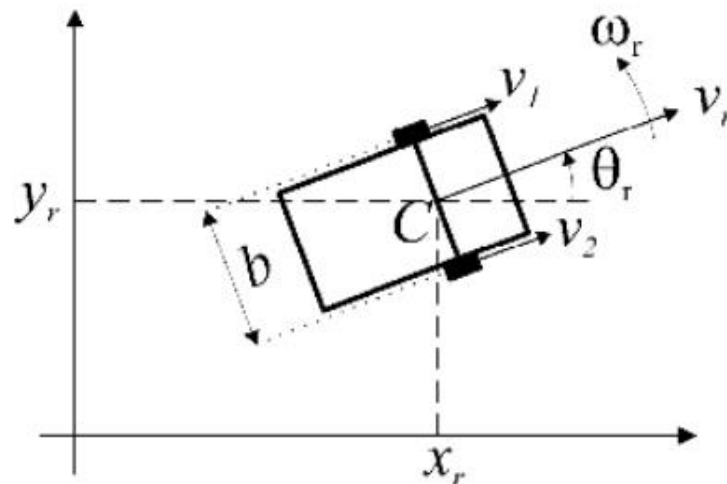
- Always use floating point and SI units
- Many solutions...
- Example of a simple control:
 - Have robot rotate proportionally to the difference of angle (robot and Wall to follow)
 - $\omega_r(t) = k \cdot \alpha(t - 1)$
(try k and $-k$)



$$\begin{cases} v = \frac{v_1 + v_2}{2} \\ \omega = \frac{v_1 - v_2}{b} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} v_2 = v_1 - \omega b \\ 2v = v_1 + v_1 - \omega b \end{cases}$$

$$\{v_1 = v + \omega b/2\}$$



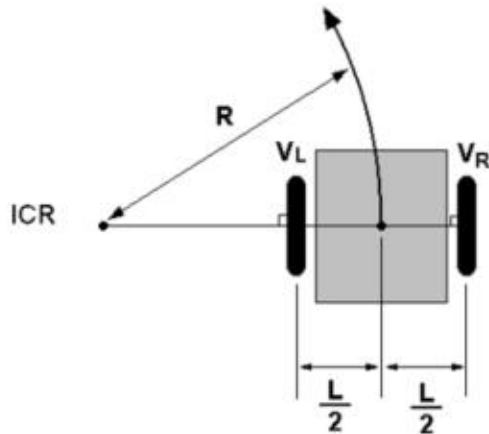
$$\begin{cases} v_1 = v + \omega b/2 \\ v_2 = v - \omega b/2 \end{cases}$$

$$V, \omega, V_L, V_R,$$

$$(V_R - V_L) / L = V_R / (R + \frac{L}{2})$$

$$R = \frac{L}{2} \frac{V_R + V_L}{V_R - V_L}$$

R : Radius of rotation



- Straight motion
 $R = \text{Infinity} \rightarrow V_R = V_L$
- Rotational motion
 $R = 0 \rightarrow V_R = -V_L$

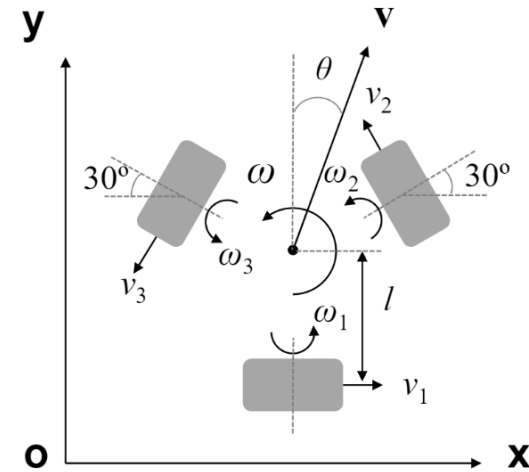
Velocity in the body coordinates :

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v \sin \theta \\ v \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

Velocity of the wheels :

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r\omega_1 \\ r\omega_2 \\ r\omega_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & l \\ -\sin 30^\circ & \cos 30^\circ & l \\ -\sin 30^\circ & -\cos 30^\circ & l \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

r : Radius of the wheel



Relationship between the world and body coordinates :

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x^w \\ v_y^w \end{bmatrix}$$

Velocity in the body coordinates

Velocity in the world coordinates

ϕ : Heading direction of the robot

Velocity of the wheels :

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & l \\ -\sin 30^\circ & \cos 30^\circ & l \\ -\sin 30^\circ & -\cos 30^\circ & l \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x^w \\ v_y^w \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \cos \phi & l \\ -\sin(\phi + 30^\circ) & \cos(\phi + 30^\circ) & l \\ \sin(\phi - 30^\circ) & -\cos(\phi - 30^\circ) & l \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x^w \\ v_y^w \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$\phi = \int \omega dt$$

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