

CSci5551

Introduction to Intelligent Robotics Systems

Velocity Kinematics Part 2

Velocity Kinematics

- Relating joint velocities with end-effector velocities
 - Both forward (joint to end-effector) and inverse (end-effector to joint)
- Velocities involved are both
 - Linear, v , and
 - Angular/Rotational, ω

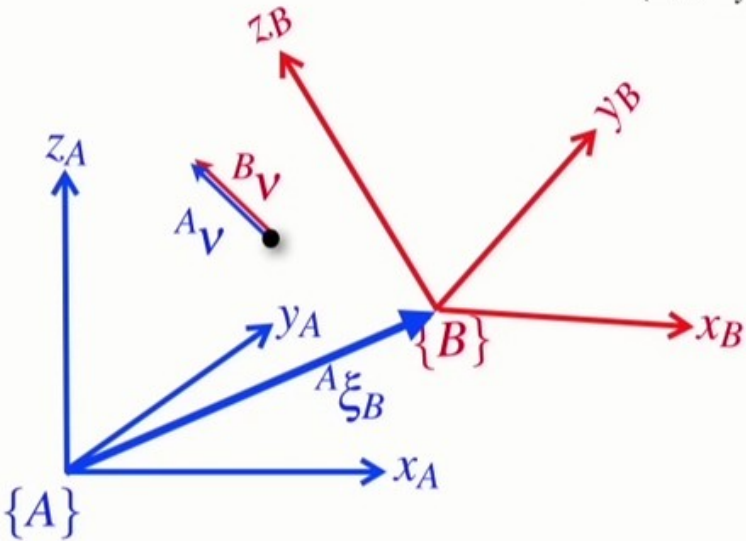
Velocity Kinematics

- Differential equations help relate positions/joint variables to velocities
- Joint velocities == rate of change of joint values
- End-effector velocity == rate of change of joint end-effector position and orientation
 - Rate-of-change of position == linear+angular velocity
 - Rate-of-change of orientation == angular velocity

Velocities and Joints

- Angular velocities, thus, give rise to
 - Positional AND rotational changes
- Linear velocities give rise to positional changes only

$\mathbf{v} = (v_x, v_y, v_z, \omega_x, \omega_y, \omega_z)^T$



${}^B\mathbf{J}_A = {}^B\mathbf{J}_A {}^A\mathbf{v}$

${}^B\mathbf{J}_A ({}^B\xi_A) = \begin{pmatrix} {}^B\mathbf{R}_A & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & {}^B\mathbf{R}_A \end{pmatrix}$

6x6

The Manipulator Jacobian

- A manipulator
 - can be described as a series of points, namely the end points of the links,
 - Links are each, in turn, rotating and translating with respect to the previous link
- In the world of velocity *manipulator* kinematics, the goal is to achieve a mapping, which does two things.

The Manipulator Jacobian

- Goal 1: Relate the rate of change of position of the manipulator end-effector to the rate of change of motion of each link.

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \frac{dq_i}{dt} \rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{X}} = \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ \boldsymbol{\omega} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \frac{dy}{dt} \\ \frac{dz}{dt} \\ \frac{d\phi_x}{dt} \\ \frac{d\phi_y}{dt} \\ \frac{d\phi_z}{dt} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} \\ \frac{d\boldsymbol{\phi}}{dt} \end{Bmatrix}$$

The Manipulator Jacobian

- Goal 2: Relate the differential change in position (location and orientation) of one frame due to a differential change of another frame.
 - *A superset* of Goal 1.
 - Thus, more *powerful* and *useful* solution to deduce

The Manipulator Jacobian

- For Goal 1, the question becomes to find a map J such that

$$\dot{X} = J\dot{q}$$

- For Goal 2, the question becomes to find a map K such that for two frames F_0 and F_1 :

$$dX^b = \begin{bmatrix} d\mathbf{p}^b \\ d\phi^b \end{bmatrix} = K_{ba} \begin{bmatrix} d\mathbf{p}^b \\ d\phi^b \end{bmatrix}$$

The Manipulator Jacobian

- Expression of a manipulator Jacobian for a robot with both prismatic and revolute joints is as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_e^0 \\ \omega_e^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dots & z_i^0 \times a_{ie}^0 & z_j^0 & \dots \\ \dots & z_i^0 & \dots 0 & \dots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \dot{q}_{i+1} \\ \vdots \\ \dot{q}_{j+1} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = J_o \dot{q}$$

The Manipulator Jacobian

- The top three rows affect linear velocity (**velocity Jacobian J_v**)
- The bottom three rows affect angular velocity (**angular velocity Jacobian J_ω**)

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_e^0 \\ \omega_e^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J_v \\ J_\omega \end{bmatrix} \dot{q}$$

- From the end-effector frame, F_e ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_e^e \\ \omega_e^e \end{pmatrix} = R_{e0} \begin{bmatrix} J_v \\ J_\omega \end{bmatrix} \dot{q}$$

The Analytical Jacobian

- based on a *minimal representation* for the *orientation* of the end-effector frame
- Let $X = \begin{bmatrix} p(q) \\ \alpha(q) \end{bmatrix}$ denote the end-effector pose where
 - $p(q)$: vector from base-frame origin to end-effector frame origin
 - $\alpha(q)$: minimal representation of end-effector orientation relative to the base frame
- The analytical Jacobian is thus

$$\dot{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} = J_{\alpha}(q)\dot{q}$$

The Analytical Jacobian

- *minimal representation = ZYZ Euler angle representation*
- It can be shown that if $R = R_{z,\phi} R_{y,\theta} R_{z,\psi}$ (Euler angle representation), then $\dot{R} = S(\omega)R$, where

$$\omega = \begin{bmatrix} c_\psi s_\theta \dot{\phi} - s_\psi \dot{\theta} \\ s_\psi s_\theta \dot{\psi} + c_\psi \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\psi} + c_\theta \dot{\psi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_\psi s_\theta & -s_\psi & 0 \\ s_\psi s_\theta & c_\psi & 0 \\ c_\theta & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\phi} \\ \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\psi} \end{bmatrix} = T(\alpha) \dot{\alpha}$$

With the Geometric Jacobian

$$\begin{aligned} J(q)\dot{q} &= \begin{bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ T(\alpha)\dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & T(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & T(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} J_{\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

Thus the analytical Jacobian, $J_a(q)$, may be computed from the geometric Jacobian as

$$J_a(q) = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & T(\alpha)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} J(q)$$

provided that $\det(T(\alpha)) \neq 0$.

J_v Using Differentiation

- Differentiate the Transformation matrix T_{0t} directly, wrt each joint!
- Example: 2-link planar manipulator

$$T_{02} = A_{01}A_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & -s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & 0 & a_1c\theta_1 + a_2c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & 0 & a_1s\theta_1 + a_2s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{d}_{0e}^0 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1c\theta_1 + a_2c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ a_1s\theta_1 + a_2s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

J_v Using Differentiation

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{d}_{0e}^0}{\partial \theta_1} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 s \theta_1 - a_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ a_1 c \theta_1 + a_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{d}_{0e}^0}{\partial \theta_2} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ a_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$J_v = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{d}_{0e}^0}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{d}_{0e}^0}{\partial \theta_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 s \theta_1 - a_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & -a_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ a_1 c \theta_1 + a_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & a_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Jacobian Singularities

- configurations where the Jacobian loses rank.
- Singularities of the matrix $T(\alpha)$ are called representational singularities.
- $T(\alpha)$ is invertible provided $\sin(\theta) \neq 0$.
- Note that the 6×3 Jacobian $J(\mathbf{q})$ defines a mapping:

$$\dot{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

- Infinitesimally this defines a linear transformation

$$d\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{q})d\mathbf{q}$$

Jacobian Singularities

$$d\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{q})d\mathbf{q}$$

- Linear transformations are between the differentials $d\mathbf{q}$ and $d\mathbf{X}$.
 - Think as directions in \mathbb{R}^6 , and \mathbb{R}^3 , respectively.
- The Jacobian is a function of the configuration \mathbf{q} , thus configurations for which the rank of \mathbf{J} decreases are of special significance == **singular configurations**

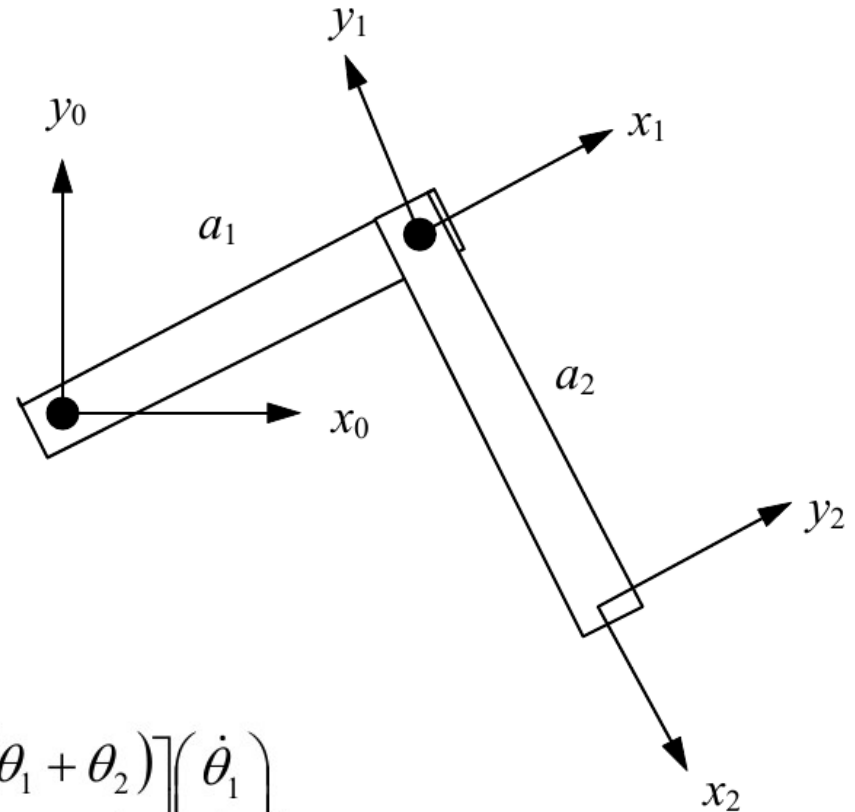
Jacobian Singularities

- Why care about Singularities ?
 - represent configurations from which certain directions of motion may be unattainable
 - bounded end-effector velocities may correspond to unbounded joint velocities
 - bounded end-effector forces and torques may correspond to unbounded joint torques
 - usually (but not always) correspond to points on the boundary of the manipulator workspace, that is, to points of maximum reach of the manipulator
 - correspond to points in the manipulator workspace that may be unreachable under small perturbations of the link parameters, such as length, offset, etc.
 - there will not exist a unique solution to the inverse kinematics problem; in such cases there may be no solution or there may be infinitely many solutions.

Singularity- Example

- If we only consider the non-zero (planar) directions of motion (x,y) of the manipulator, which are achievable as a result of the joint motion, then we have the following relationship :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}^0 &= \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_e \\ \dot{y}_e \end{pmatrix}^0 = J_{(2 \times 2)0} \dot{\mathbf{q}} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 s \theta_1 - a_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & -a_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ a_1 c \theta_1 + a_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & a_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \end{pmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$



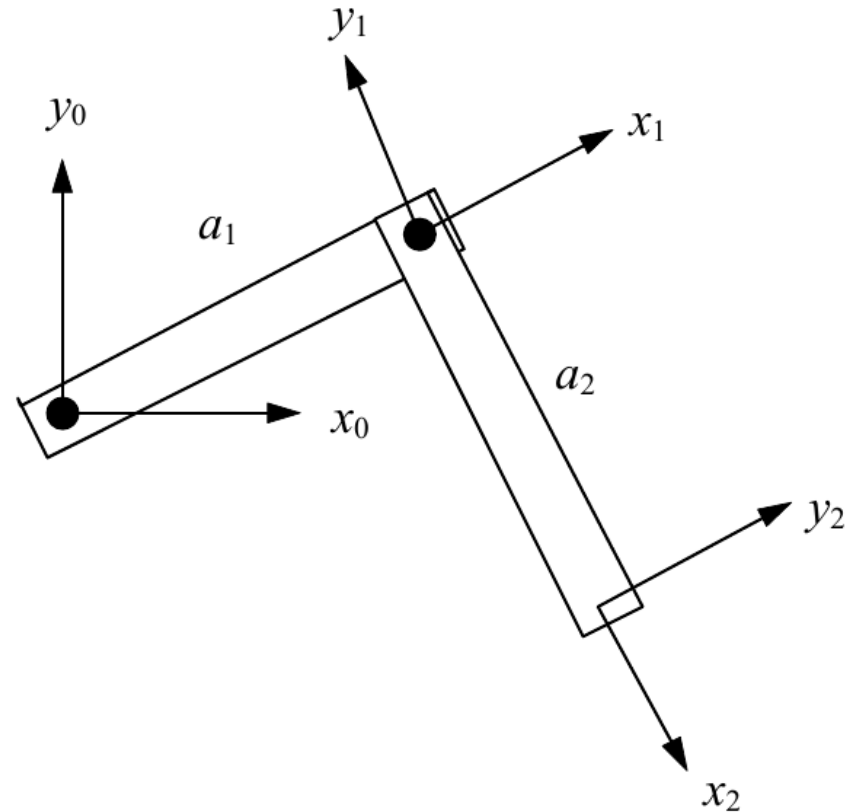
Singularity- Example

- Here $J_{(2 \times 2)}$ is the mapping from the two joint space degrees of freedom to the two work-space degrees of freedom. Because we have a square matrix, we can now write (dropping the (2×2) subscript):

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = J_0^{-1} \mathbf{v}^0$$

- We can find the inverse of J_0 using the formula from linear algebra:

$$J_0^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det J_0} \text{Adj } J_0$$

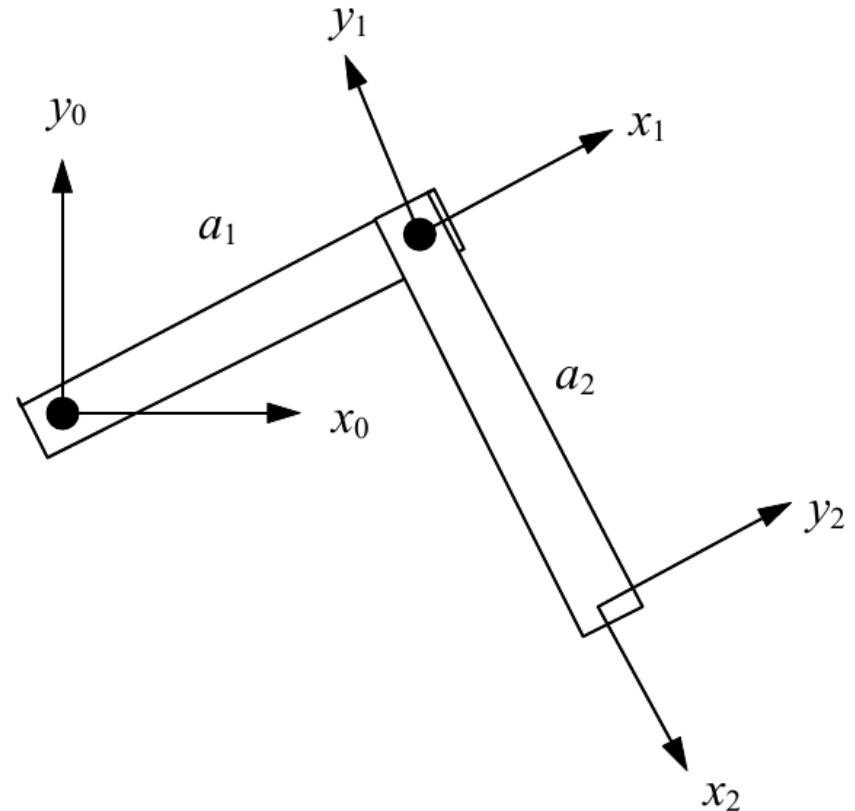


Singularity- Example

- In this case:

$$\det J_0 = a_1 a_2 \sin \theta_2$$

- If $\det J_0 = 0$, then J_0^{-1} is undefined.
- This results in a singular configuration case of the planar manipulator, with **two** possibilities:
 - 1) $\theta_2 = 0$, arm stretched straight out
 - 2) $\theta_2 = \pi$, arm folded over.
- No unique solution for $\dot{\mathbf{q}}$



Singularity- Example

- When $\det \mathbf{J}_0 = 0$, the matrix \mathbf{J}_0 is less than full rank; that is, the columns of \mathbf{J} are linearly dependent.
- For example, for $\theta_2 = 0$:

$$\mathbf{J}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -a_2 s(\theta_1) & -a_2 s(\theta_1) \\ a_2 c(\theta_1) & a_2 c(\theta_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

