

Outline

QP-based Task Space Inverse Dynamics

Feasibility Constraints

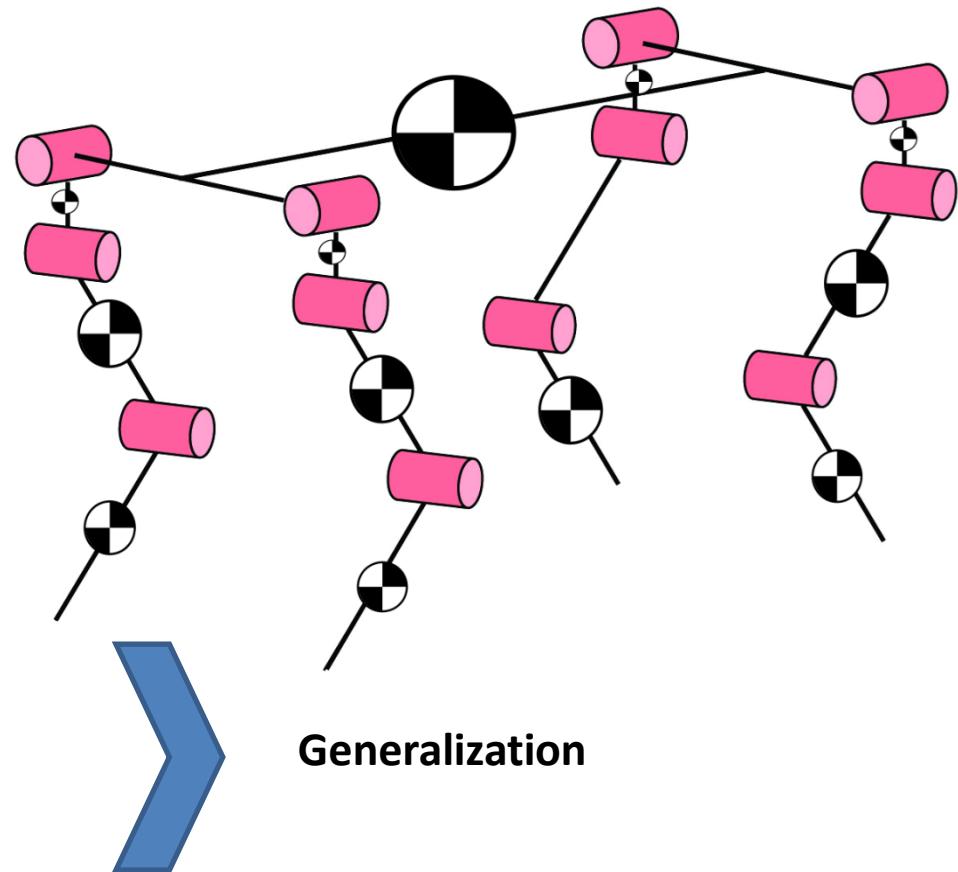
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Formulation of the Reduced Problem

Model Based approach:

Model of the
HyQ Robot

- ◎ Simplified representation
- ◎ Predict future behavior
- ◎ Guarantees constraints satisfaction
- ◎ Feedback controller corrects inaccuracies



RECALL:

inverse dynamics: find ζ such that ...

- q follows q^{des}

JOINT SPACE ID

- x follows x^{des}

TASK SPACE ID

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$$\zeta = M \ddot{q}^{ref} + R$$

$$| f^* = \Lambda \ddot{x}^{ref} + M$$

$$\ddot{q}^{ref} = \ddot{q}^{des} + K_\theta (q^{des} - q) + D_\theta (\dot{q}^{des} - \dot{q})$$

$$| \ddot{x}^{ref} = \ddot{x}^{des} + K_x (x^{des} - x) + D_x (\dot{x}^{des} - \dot{x})$$

$$| \zeta = J^T f^*$$

$$q(t) \rightarrow q^{des}(t)$$

$$| x(t) \rightarrow x^{des}(t)$$

① No feasibility constraints ...

CONVEX OPTIMIZATION PROBLEMS TAXONOMY

A) LP PROGRAMS:

- linear cost function $c^T x$
- linear equality / inequality

B) QUADRATIC PROGRAMS

- convex quadratic cost function

$$x^T G x + g^T x \leq 0$$

- linear equality / inequality constraints

C) LS PROGRAMS (special case of QP)

- 2-norm of linear cost function $\|Ax - b\|^2$
- linear equality / inequality

⊕ QP, LP fast To be solved with off-the-shelf solvers

Let's cast as optimization problems:

$$\min \|\ddot{q} - \dot{q}^{\text{ref}}\|^2$$

$$y = \ddot{z}, \ddot{q}$$

$$\text{s.t. } M\ddot{q} + R = \ddot{z}$$

$\ddot{x} = J\ddot{q} + j\dot{q}$

dynamics is enforced
as an equality
constraint.

ARE LEAST SQUARE PROBLEMS

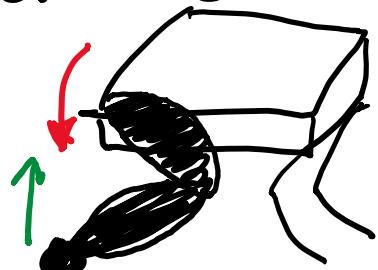
we need to find the relationship with the decision variables $y = \ddot{z}, \ddot{q}$

$$\ddot{x} - \ddot{x}^{\text{ref}} = \underbrace{J\ddot{q}}_A + \underbrace{j\dot{q}}_b - x^{\text{ref}}$$

Task error expressed as AFFINE function of \ddot{q}

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\ddot{z}, \ddot{q}} \|J\ddot{q} + j\dot{q} - x^{\text{ref}}\|^2 \\ & \text{s.t. } M\ddot{q} + R = \ddot{z} \end{aligned}$$

⊕ Differently from the quasi-static case we consider the full dynamics, so this controller takes into account inertial couplings and can compensate for the influence of heavy legs



⊕ Straightforward extension to floating-base
(use FB dynamics instead of fixed-base)

$$M\ddot{q} + h = S^T \ddot{z} \rightarrow +6 \text{ equations}$$

$$\ddot{z} \in \mathbb{R}^{m+6} \rightarrow +6 \text{ decision variables}$$

⊕ we can add additional constraints for feasibility

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We can add them as additional inequalities:

$$\min_{\ddot{q}, \tau} \| \ddot{q} - \ddot{q}^{ref} \|^2$$

$$\text{st } M\ddot{q} + h = \tau$$

$$\tau_{min} \leq \tau \leq \tau_{max}$$

TORQUE LIMITS

$$\ddot{q}_{min} \leq \ddot{q} \leq \ddot{q}_{max}$$

ACCELERATION LIMITS

$$\dot{q}_{min} - \dot{q} \leq dT \ddot{q} \leq \dot{q}_{max} - \dot{q}$$

VELOCITY LIMITS

assumes constant acceleration during dT

$$\dot{q}(t+dT) = \dot{q}(t) + dT \ddot{q}$$



$$q_{min} - dT \dot{q} - \dot{q} \leq \frac{1}{2} dT^2 \ddot{q} \leq q_{max} - dT \dot{q} - \dot{q}$$

POSITION LIMITS



$$q(t+dT) = q(t) + dT \dot{q} + \frac{1}{2} dT^2 \ddot{q}$$

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QP INVERSE DYNAMICS IN CONTACT

WITH contact forces we have K additional decision variables and contact constraints:

$$\min_{\ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}, \mathbf{f}} \|\ddot{\boldsymbol{q}} - \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}^{\text{ref}}\|^2 + \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{W} \mathbf{f} + \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}^T \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}} + \boldsymbol{\zeta}^T \boldsymbol{\zeta} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{BOUND} \\ \text{SOLUTION} \end{matrix}$$

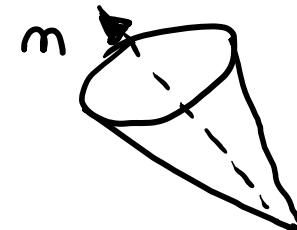
\uparrow REGULARIZATION MATRIX

$\mathbf{x} = \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}, \mathbf{f}$

$$\text{st} \quad M \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}} + \mathbf{R} = S \boldsymbol{\zeta} + J^T \mathbf{f} \quad \text{DYNAMICS} \quad (n+6)$$

$$J \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}} + \mathbf{J} \dot{\boldsymbol{q}} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{CONTACT CONSTRAINTS (RIGID)} \quad (k)$$

- $n + 6 + k$ equations
- $\ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}, \mathbf{f}$ $n + 6 + n + k$
- shaping the cost function we can have different solutions:
 - $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{I}$: minimize 2-norm of force vector
 - $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R}$: robustness
 - $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{J} \mathbf{J}^T$: minimize Torques



COMPLIANT CONTACT CASE

add These additional constraints: 

$$\bullet f_z = K_c \underbrace{(P_0 - P_z)}_{\begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \text{Terrain} \\ \text{stiffness} \end{array}} - D_c \underbrace{\dot{P}_z}_{\begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \text{Terrain} \\ \text{damping} \end{array}} \quad P_z \leq 0$$

→ result of penetration of contact point below the surface. ($P_z \leq 0$)

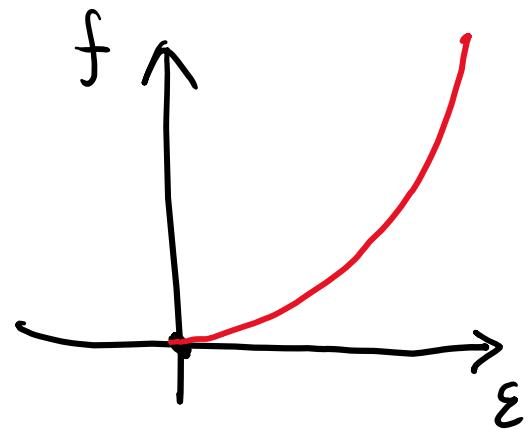
② I need To measure The penetration (state estimation should be accurate)

- add penetration ε To decision variables
- link penetration To joint accelerations

$$\ddot{\varepsilon} = -\ddot{x}_f = -(\mathcal{J}_c \ddot{q} + \dot{\mathcal{J}}_c \dot{q}) \neq 0, \varepsilon \geq 0$$

• f can be a generic function of $\varepsilon, \dot{\varepsilon}$ ①

$$f = F(\varepsilon, \dot{\varepsilon}) \quad \text{eg. non linear stiffness / form}$$



⊖ The problem becomes non-linear and is no longer a QP.

PROBLEM FORMULATION WITH COMPLIANT CONTACTS

since f should obey a specific model we no longer have f as a decision variable: ①

$$\min \|Ay - a\|^2$$

$$y = \ddot{q}, \dot{\theta}, \varepsilon$$

$$\text{st} \quad M\ddot{q} + h = \tau + J^T(K_c \varepsilon + D_c \dot{\varepsilon})$$

$$\ddot{\varepsilon} = -(J_c \ddot{q} + \dot{J} q)$$

$$\underline{\quad} \quad \ddot{\varepsilon}_k = \frac{1}{dt} [\varepsilon_k - 2\varepsilon_{k-1} + \varepsilon_{k-2}]$$

$$\varepsilon > 0$$

② No need to measure ε

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FORCE TASK / ACCELERATION TASK

$$\min_{\ddot{q}, \tau, f} \|A\ddot{q} - \ddot{z}_q\|^2 + \gamma^T w y$$

→ $\|A\ddot{q} - \ddot{z}_q\|^2$ acceleration Task
 → $\|A_f f - \ddot{z}_f\|^2$ force Task

st

$$M\ddot{q} + h = S^T \tau + J^T f \quad \ddot{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+6}$$

$$J\ddot{q} + \dot{J}\dot{q} = 0 \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$f \in \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow 3C/6C$$

COMPUTATIONAL ASPECTS

- The computational cost in \approx QP is dominated by THE HESSIAN
 - Cholesky decomposition is $O(n^3)$ with $n = \#$ decision variables
 - Exploiting the sparsity structure of the dynamics we can split actuated from unactuated part

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REDUCTION EXPLOITING THE SPARSITY OF THE PROBLEM

$$\min_{\gamma = \ddot{q}, \ddot{\zeta}, f} \|A\gamma - z\|^2$$

s.t.

$$H_a \begin{bmatrix} [M_b \quad M_{bJ}] \\ [M_{bJ}^T \quad M_J] \\ J \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -J_{q_b}^T & 0 \\ -J_{C_J}^T & -I \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q} \\ f \\ \ddot{\zeta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -R_b \\ -h_J \\ -J\ddot{q} \end{bmatrix}$$

c
m
k

- express $\ddot{\zeta}$ as affine function of \ddot{q} and f

$$\ddot{\zeta} = n_a \ddot{q} + h_J - J_{C_J}^T f$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q} \\ f \\ \ddot{\zeta} \\ \gamma \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \\ H_a & -J_{C_J}^T \end{bmatrix}}_D \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q} \\ f \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ R_J \end{bmatrix}}_d$$

change
of
variables

REDUCED PROBLEM (removed $\ddot{\theta}$ and n equality)

$$\bar{Y}^* = \arg \min \| A \bar{Y} - \bar{z} \|^2$$

$$\bar{Y} = (\ddot{q}, f)$$

st

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_a & -J_{cb}^T \\ J_c & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q} \\ f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -h_b \\ -J_c \dot{q} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} 6 \\ K \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{NEWTON} \\ \text{EULER} \\ \text{EQUATIONS!} \end{matrix}$$

\hookrightarrow CONTACTS

$$A_f c f \leq 0 \rightarrow \text{FRICTION CONES}$$

$$\tau_{\min} - R_S \leq [M_a; -J_{cS}^T] \bar{Y} \leq \tau_{\max} - h_S \rightarrow \text{TORQUE LIMITS}$$

LAST Step ...

$$\ddot{\theta}^* = [M_a \quad -J_{cS}^T] \bar{Y}^* + h_S$$

ELEMENTS OF COMPUTATION



- typical control frequency: $1 \text{ kHz} \rightarrow 1 \text{ ms}$
- dimension of the problem:

- variables

$$\underbrace{\ddot{q}}_{n+6} + \underbrace{\tau}_{n+k} + f$$

$(n+6+k)$ reduced

- equality constraints

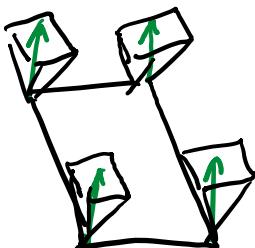
$$\underbrace{\text{dyn}}_{n+6} + \underbrace{\text{contac}}_{k}$$

$(6+k)$ reduced

- inequality constraints

$$\underbrace{\text{pos}}_{n} + \underbrace{\text{vel}}_{n} + \underbrace{\text{acc}}_{n} + \underbrace{\text{comes}}_{4c} \xrightarrow{\substack{\# \text{ LEGS in} \\ \text{contac}}} \text{contac}$$

- standard humanoid: $n = 30 \rightarrow 90$ variables



↳ 3D forces
for each foot

$$k = 24$$

+
122 constraints
in 1 ms!

EXAMPLE ; STATIC WALK ON QUADRUPED

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Task 1 : Track COM trajectory
Task 2 : move swinging foot } \Rightarrow non conflicting Tasks , no need for PRIORITIES

WITH priorities we can exploit kinematic redundancy To achieve secondary Tasks

QUADRUPED 18 DoFs -

6 DoFs COM Task

9 DoFs stance constraints (3 LEGS)

3 DoFs swing Task (1 LEG)

0 \Rightarrow no kinematic redundancy

INGREDIENTS:

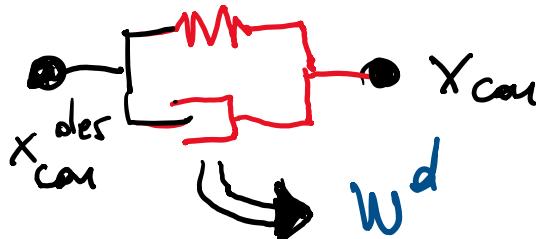
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Ⓐ decision variables:

$$y = [\ddot{q}, f] \quad (\text{reduced problem})$$

Ⓑ COM TASK : \dot{x}_{com} , \ddot{x}_{com} ?

- Force level: $m \ddot{x}_{\text{com}} + mg = \sum f$

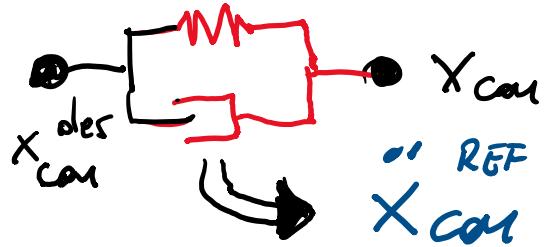


$$W_{\text{com}} = \underbrace{[I_{3 \times 3} \dots I_{3 \times 3}] f}_{A} - mg$$

$$\| W - w^d \|_{w_{\text{com}}}^2 = \| \underbrace{[0 \quad A]}_{A_{f \text{ com}}} y - \underbrace{w^{\text{des}}}_{\dot{x}_{\text{com}}} - mg \|_{w_{\text{com}}}^2$$

- Acceleration level:

⑥



$$\ddot{x}_{\text{com}} = J_{\text{com}} \ddot{q} + \dot{J}_{\text{com}} \dot{q}$$

$$J_{\text{com}} = [I_{3 \times 3} - [x_{\text{d}, \text{com}}] \times J_{\text{d, com}}(q)] \ddot{q}$$

$$\| \ddot{x}_{\text{com}} - \ddot{x}_{\text{com}}^{\text{REF}} \|_{W_{\text{com}}}^2 = \| \underbrace{J_{\text{com}} \ddot{q}}_{Aq_{\text{com}}} - \underbrace{x_{\text{com}}^{\text{ref}} + \dot{J}_{\text{com}} \dot{q}}_{Bq_{\text{com}}} \|_{W_{\text{com}}}^2$$

(C) SWING TASK : $\ddot{x}_{sw} = J_{sw}\ddot{q} + \dot{J}_{sw}\dot{q}$

$$\|\ddot{x}_{sw} - \ddot{x}_{sw}^{ref}\|_{w_{sw}}^2 = \left\| \underbrace{J_{sw}\ddot{q}}_{A\ddot{q}_{sw}} - \underbrace{\ddot{x}_{sw}^{ref} + \dot{J}_{sw}\dot{q}}_{B\dot{q}_{sw}} \right\|_{w_{sw}}^2$$

(D) STANCE CONSTRAINTS: $0 = \ddot{x}_c = J_c\ddot{q} + \dot{J}_c\dot{q}$

COM Task

SWING TASK

$$\min_{\ddot{q}, f} \|\ddot{x}_{com} - \ddot{x}_{com}^{ref}\|_{w_{com}} + \|\ddot{x}_{sw} - \ddot{x}_{sw}^{ref}\|_{w_{sw}}$$

s.t.

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_b & J_{cb}^T \\ J_c & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q} \\ f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -h_b \\ -\dot{J}_c\dot{q} \end{bmatrix}$$

- w_{com} , w_{sw} are weights to tune precedence of task in case of constraint violation.