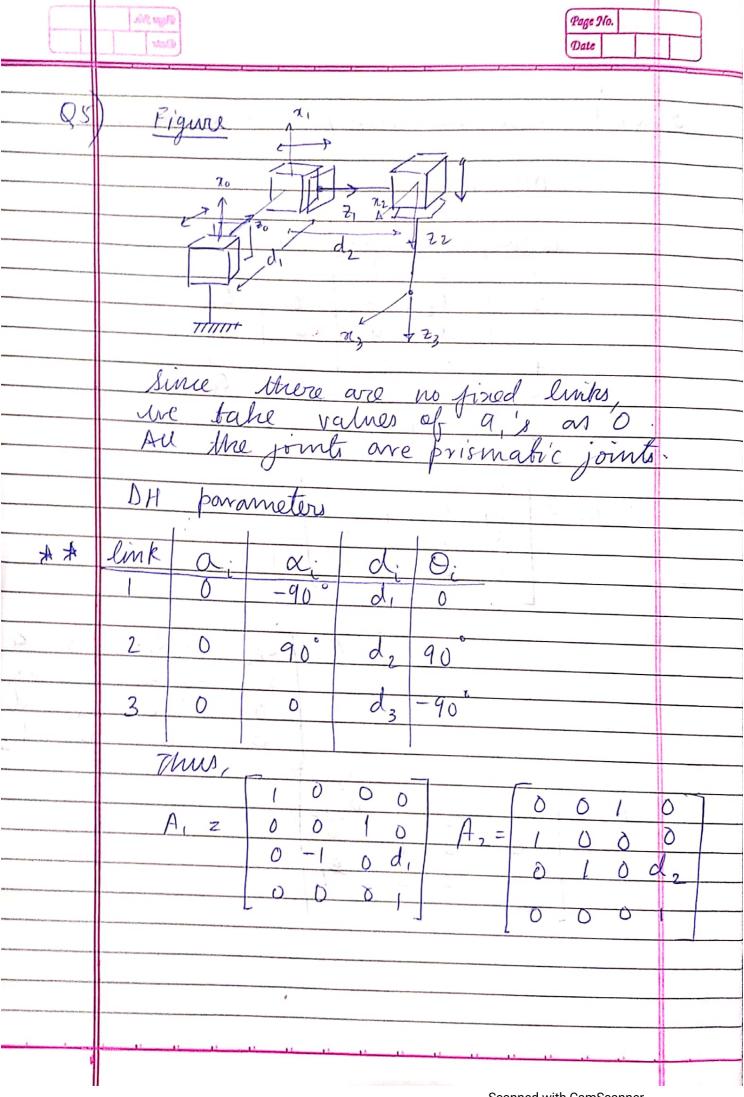
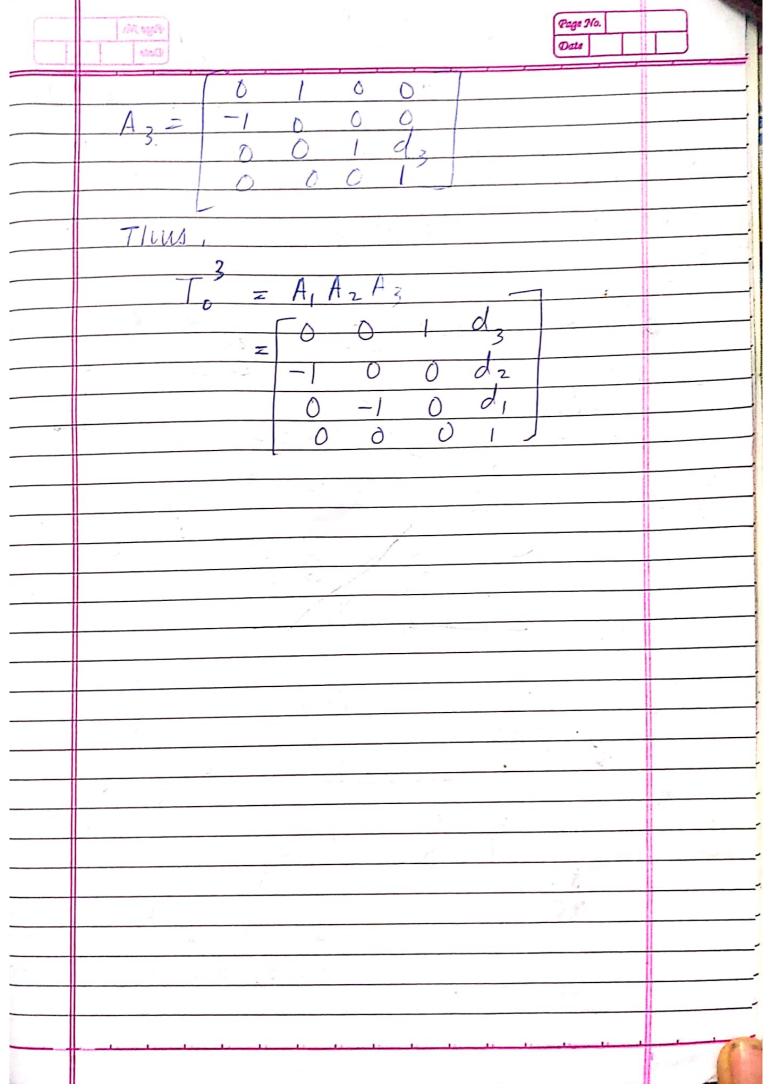
Assignment 3 Introduction to Robotics Rwik Rana

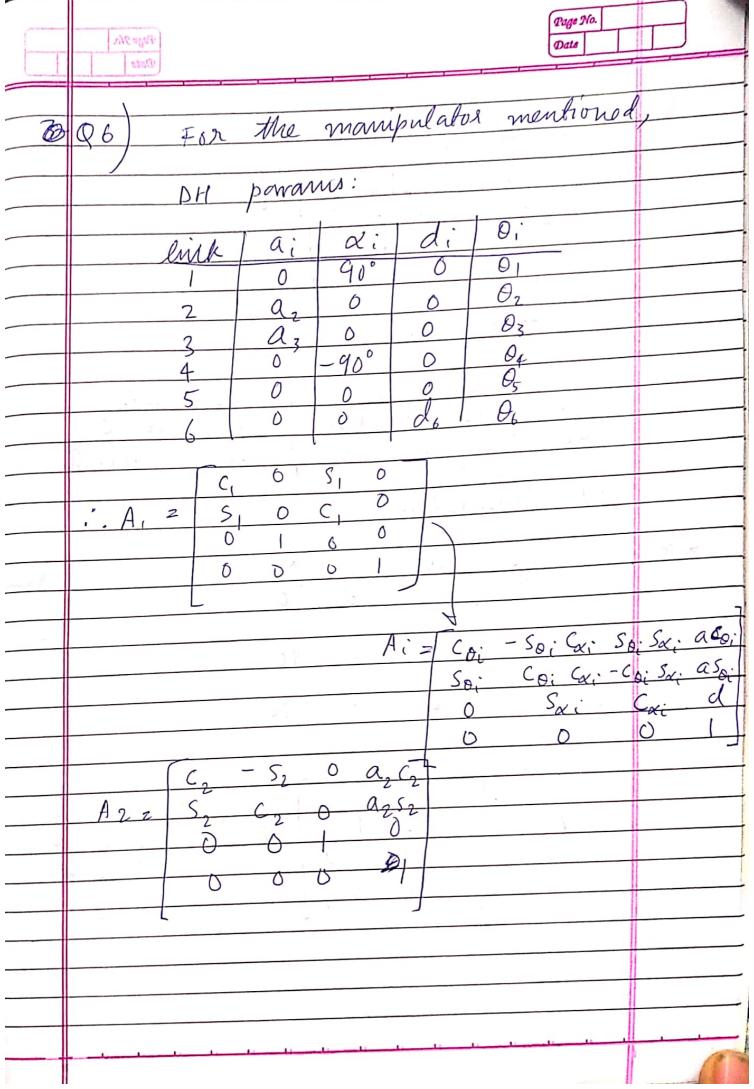
Question 1

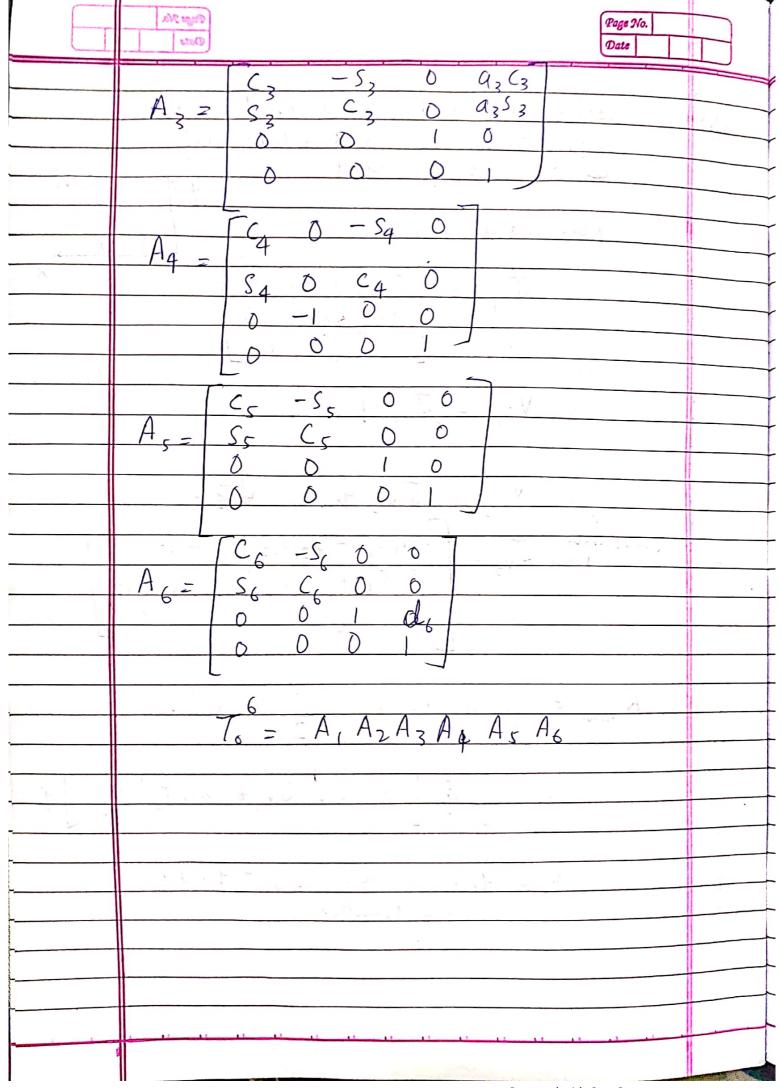
Workspace of a manipulator is a the collection of all the points the end effector of the manipulator can reach. Singularities are those points in the workspace where the end-effector cannot move in certain directions. The configurations of the robot when it attains singularity is called a Singular configuration. The DOF of the freedom gets reduced in these configurations and cannot move freely and cause the system to fail because of the high constraint and instability. One must keep a close eye on the singularity conditions while trajectory planning. Mathematically, the inverse of Jacobian matrix ceases to exist and the matrix loses it's rank.

Yes a configuration can be checked to be near to singularity configuration by checking the rank of the Manipulator Jacobian in some configuration, it is possible to detect whether that configuration is close to singularity or not.









Direct Drive

Direct Drive was first developed by Carnegie Mellon University in the year 1981.

Direct driven robots are basically manipulators in which every joint is equipped with motors and encoders i.e. the motors moves with the movement of the links and are not grounded. These equations governing the manipulator have to take into account coriolis forces. The following are the equations governing the manipulator:

$$d_{11}\ddot{q}_1 + d_{12}\ddot{q}_2 + c_{121}\dot{q}_1\dot{q}_2 + c_{211}\dot{q}_2\dot{q}_1 + c_{221}\dot{q}_2^2 + g_1 = \tau_1 d_{21}\ddot{q}_1 + d_{22}\ddot{q}_2 + c_{112}\dot{q}_1^2 + g_2 = \tau_2$$

$$(6.90)$$

Direct-drive robot, the problems of backlash, friction, and compliance due to the gears are eliminated.

Remotely Driven

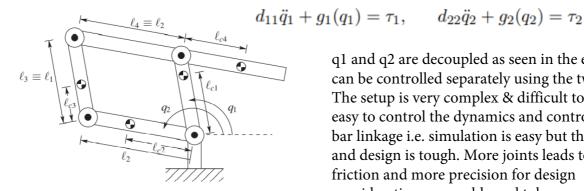
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This is similar to Direct driven manipulator. The major exception being the fact that the motors are now grounded. This means that the equations dont have to take into account the coriolis forces. The equation become simplified. It is also to be noted that because the links are driven by motors which are on the ground, this means that the movement of one link does not change the orientation of other. Making the manipulator is a complex job because it requires highly precise timing belts and one must ensure that torques must be in viable ranges to prevent the slipping of the timing belts over the pulleys.

Five-Bar Linkage

Five-bar linkage configuration helps in solving the problems of direct driven and remotely driven manipulators.



q1 and q2 are decoupled as seen in the equation and can be controlled separately using the two equation. The setup is very complex & difficult to execute. It is easy to control the dynamics and controls of the fivebar linkage i.e. simulation is easy but the manufacture and design is tough. More joints leads to more friction and more precision for design considerations, assembly and tolerances.

(6.111)

