

Lecture Comprehension, Degrees of Freedom of a Rigid Body (Chapter 2 through 2.1)

TOTAL POINTS 5

1. Which of the following are possible elements of robots in this specialization? Select all that apply.

0 / 1 point

☒ Rigid bodies.



Correct

This specialization focuses on robots that consist of rigid bodies and joints.

☐ Soft, flexible bodies.

☐ Joints.

You didn't select all the correct answers

2. The number of degrees of freedom of a robot is (select all that apply):

1 / 1 point

☒ the dimension of its configuration space.



Correct

☒ the number of real numbers needed to specify its configuration.



Correct

☐ the number of points on the robot.

☐ the number of joints of the robot.

☐ the number of bodies comprising the robot.

☒ the number of freedoms of the bodies minus the number of independent constraints between the bodies.

1 2 3 4 5

- ☒ the number of freedoms of the bodies minus the number of independent constraints between the bodies.

✓ Correct

3. The number of degrees of freedom of a planar rigid body is

1 / 1 point

Preview
3

3

✓ Correct

Two linear (translational) degrees of freedom and an angular degree of freedom.

4. The number of degrees of freedom of a spatial rigid body is

1 / 1 point

Preview
6

6

✓ Correct

Three linear (translational) degrees of freedom and three angular degrees of freedom.

5. A rigid body in n -dimensional space has m total degrees of freedom. How many of these m degrees of freedom are angular (not linear)? Select all that apply.

1 / 1 point

- ☒ $m - n$

✓ Correct

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☒ $n(n - 1)/2$

 **Correct**

This is equivalent to $m - n$.

☐ None of the above.