

Robot Dynamics Exercise Session 03

previous weeks: Ex. 1 a – forward kinematics $\{\vec{r}_{IE}, C_{\mathcal{IE}}\} = \text{FK}(\vec{q})$ unique mapping

Ex. 1 b – differential forward kinematics $\{\vec{v}_{IE}, \vec{\omega}_{\mathcal{IE}}\} = \text{DFK}(\vec{q}, \dot{\vec{q}}) = J(\vec{q}) \dot{\vec{q}}$ unique mapping

today: Ex. 1 c – inverse kinematics $\vec{q} = \text{IK}(\vec{r}_{IE}, C_{\mathcal{IE}})$ non-unique mapping

issue: Difficult to solve analytically

solution: Resort to numerical solutions based on solving the differential inverse kinematics

1) IK & DIK

Let $\vec{q} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be the joint variables, e.g., q_1, q_2, \dots

Let $\vec{\chi} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ be the task variables, e.g., $\vec{r}_{IE}, C_{\mathcal{IE}}, \dots$

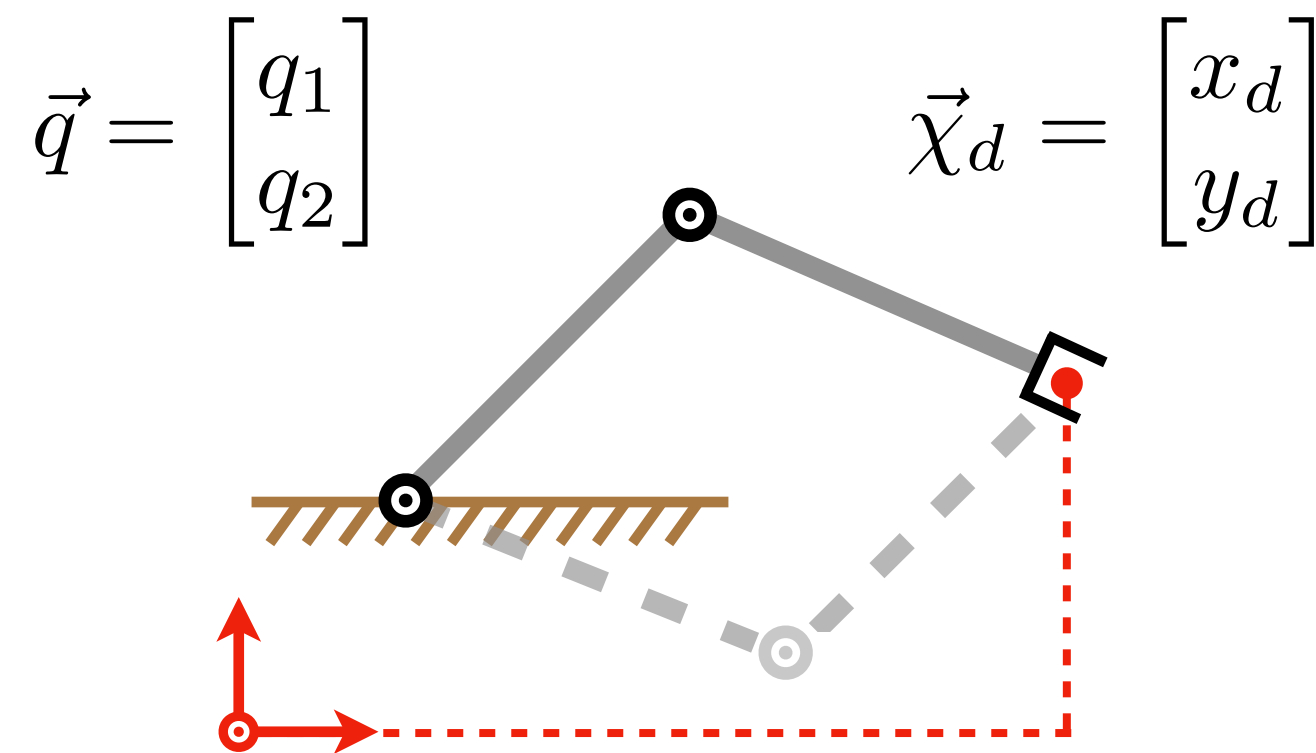
IK problem: find \vec{q} s.t. $\vec{\chi}_d = \vec{f}(\vec{q})$

DIK problem: find $\dot{\vec{q}}$ s.t. $\dot{\vec{\chi}}_d = J(\vec{q}) \dot{\vec{q}} \longrightarrow \dot{\vec{q}} = J^+(\vec{q}) \dot{\vec{\chi}}_d$

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Assuming no kinematic singularities, we define the following three cases:

Case 1: $m = n$

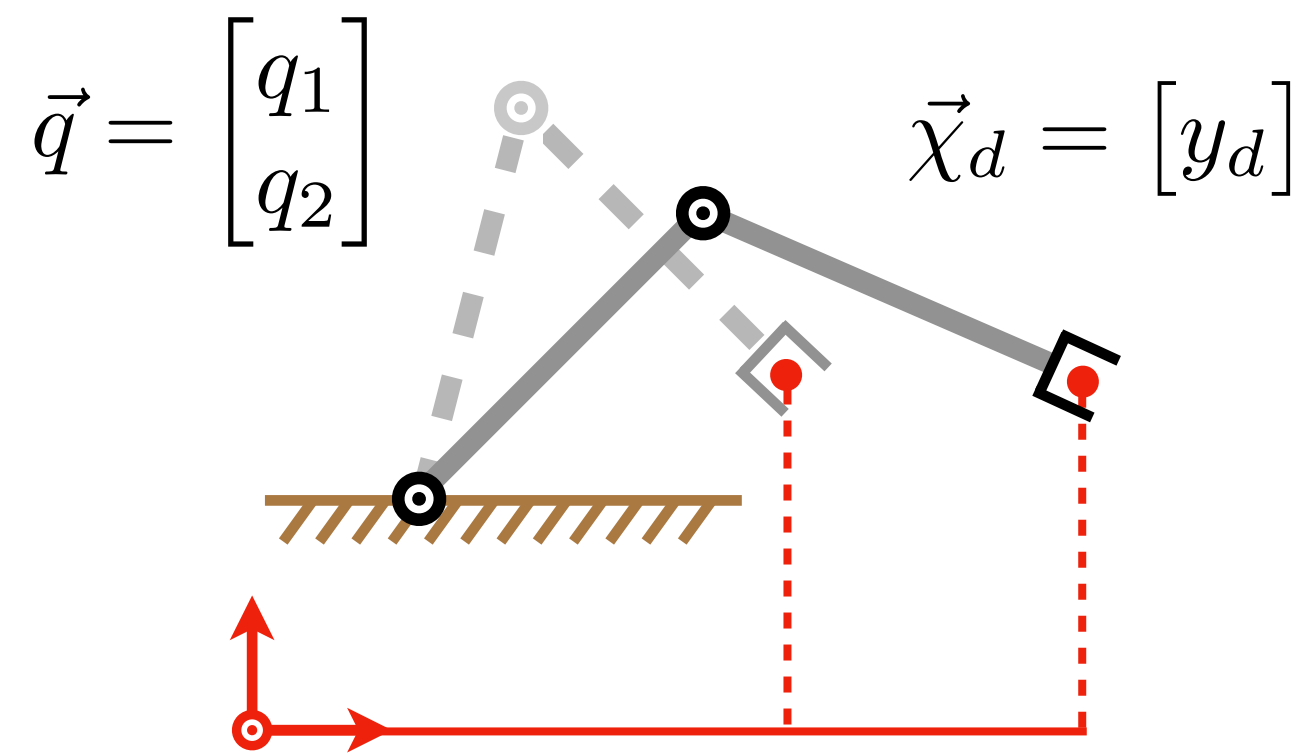


non unique but finitely many solutions for IK

$$J^+(\vec{q}) = J^{-1}(\vec{q})$$

J^+ is just J^{-1} as it is square

Case 2: $m < n$ (redundant)



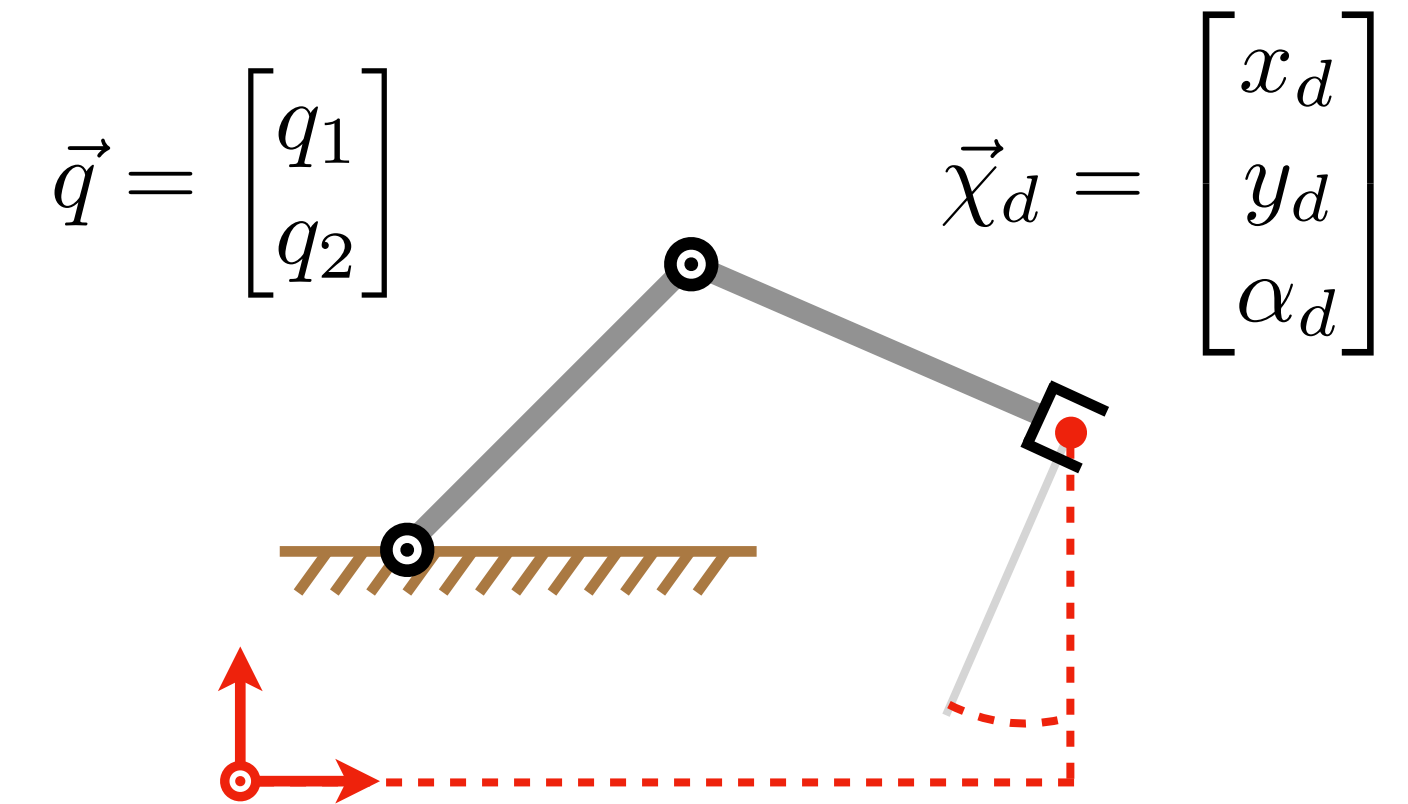
infinitely many solutions for IK

$$J^+ = J^T (J J^T)^{-1} \quad \text{right pseudo-inverse}$$

is constructed s.t.

$$\dot{\vec{q}}^* = \begin{cases} \operatorname{argmin}_{\dot{\vec{q}}} \frac{1}{2} \|\dot{\vec{q}}\|_2^2 \\ \text{s.t. } \dot{\vec{\chi}}_d = J(\vec{q}) \dot{\vec{q}} \end{cases}$$

Case 3: $m > n$



no exact solution for IK

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is constructed s.t.

$$\dot{\vec{q}}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\dot{\vec{q}}} \frac{1}{2} \|\dot{\vec{\chi}}_d - J \dot{\vec{q}}\|_2^2$$

For kinematics singularities: Add $\lambda^2 \mathbb{I}$ before taking the inverse (i.e. damping)

→ (Jacobian will have linearly dependent columns in case of singularity)

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2) Iterative Inverse Kinematics

Solving IK is equivalent to finding the roots of $\vec{g}(\vec{q}) = \vec{\chi}_d - \vec{f}(\vec{q}) = \vec{0}$

Use of numerical technique analogous to Newton's method:

$$\vec{q}_{k+1} = \vec{q}_k - \left(\frac{\partial \vec{g}}{\partial \vec{q}} \bigg|_{\vec{q}_k} \right)^+ \vec{g}(\vec{q}_k)$$

$$\vec{q}_{k+1} = \vec{q}_k + \left(\frac{\partial \vec{f}}{\partial \vec{q}} \bigg|_{\vec{q}_k} \right)^+ \left(\vec{\chi}_d - \vec{f}(\vec{q}_k) \right)$$

for which we need an initial guess \vec{q}_0
and a stopping criterion $\|\vec{g}(\vec{q}_d)\|_2 \leq \varepsilon$

$$\vec{q}_{k+1} = \vec{q}_k + J_A^+(\vec{q}_k) \underbrace{\left(\vec{\chi}_d - \vec{f}(\vec{q}_k) \right)}_{\Delta \vec{\chi}_{IE} \text{ pose error} \triangle!}$$

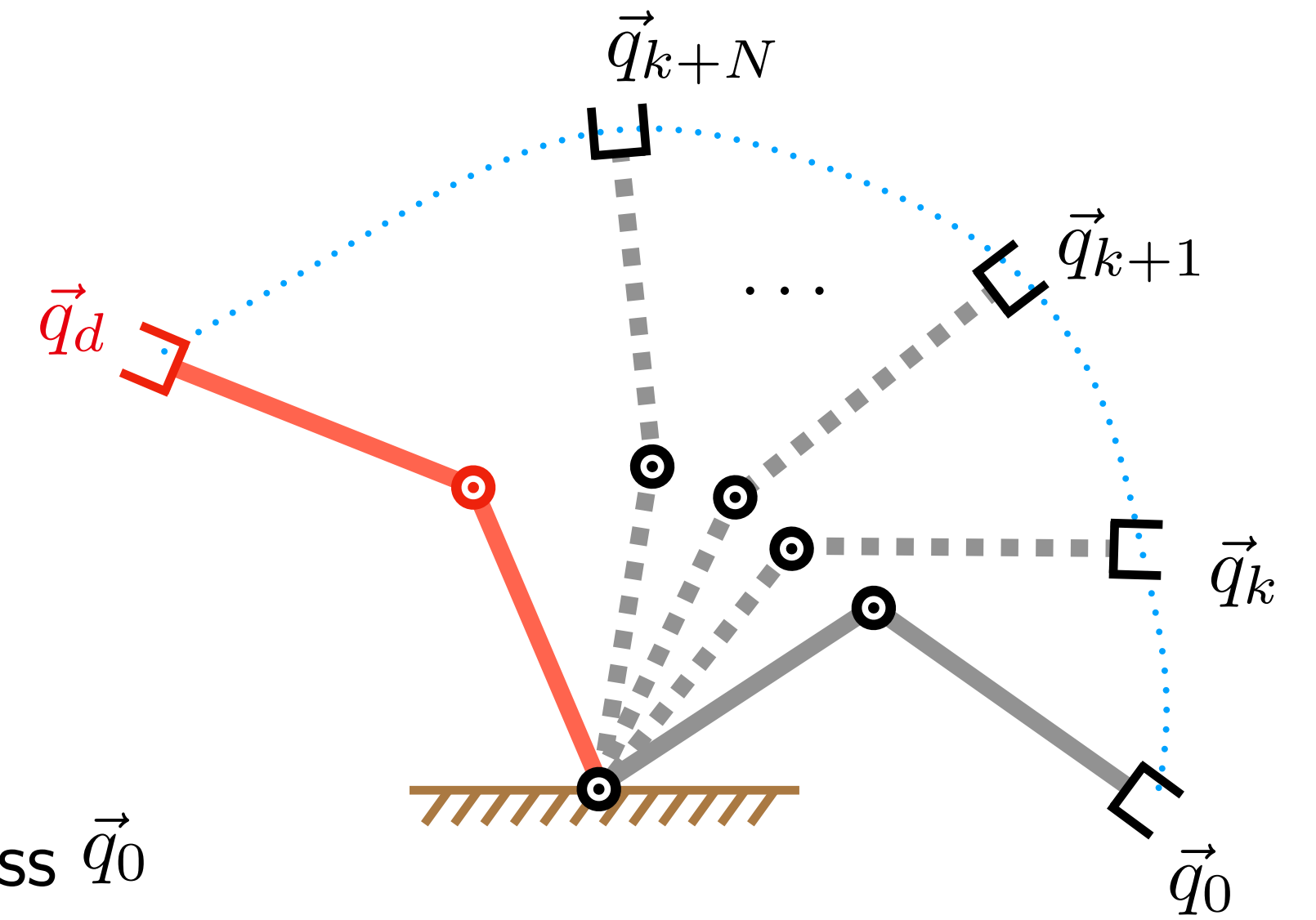
$\triangle!$ How to properly compute the pose error:

$$\Delta \vec{\chi}_{IE} = \begin{bmatrix} I\vec{r}_{IE^*} - I\vec{r}_{IE}(\vec{q}) \\ \underbrace{\Phi_{IE^*} \boxminus \Phi_{IE}(\vec{q})}_{I\varphi_{EE^*}} \end{bmatrix} \propto \begin{bmatrix} I\vec{v}_{IE} \\ I\vec{\omega}_{IE} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{use } J_0 \text{ instead of } J_A$$

\boxminus : Boxminus: shortest "path" between orientations (minus does not work in orientation space)

Given C_{IE}, C_{IE^*} :

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon \vec{\varphi}_{EE^*} &= \text{RotMat2RotVec}(C_{EE^*}) \\ I\vec{\varphi}_{EE^*} &= C_{IE} \varepsilon \vec{\varphi}_{EE^*} = \text{RotMat2RotVec}(C_{IE^*} C_{IE}^\top(\vec{q})) \end{aligned}$$



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3) Kinematics Motion Control

Given a reference trajectory defined by $\vec{\chi}_d(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{I}\vec{r}_{IE^*} \\ \Phi_{\mathcal{IE}^*} \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{w}_d(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{I}\vec{v}_{IE^*} \\ \mathcal{I}\vec{\omega}_{\mathcal{IE}^*} \end{bmatrix}$

Control law $\dot{\vec{q}} = J^+ \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{I}\vec{v}_{IE} \\ \mathcal{I}\vec{\omega}_{\mathcal{IE}} \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{w}(t)}$, where $\vec{w}(t) = \vec{w}_d(t) + \underbrace{K_p}_{>0} \Delta\vec{\chi}_{\mathcal{IE}}$ we require feed forward reference if the desired pose is not constant

relates "changes": $(\dot{}) \sim \Delta$

Reason why this works: error dynamics $\Delta\dot{\vec{\chi}}_{\mathcal{IE}} + K_p \Delta\vec{\chi}_{\mathcal{IE}} = \vec{0}$

$\Delta\vec{\chi}_{\mathcal{IE}} \rightarrow \vec{0}$
 $\vec{\chi}_{\mathcal{IE}}(t) \rightarrow \vec{\chi}_d(t)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$