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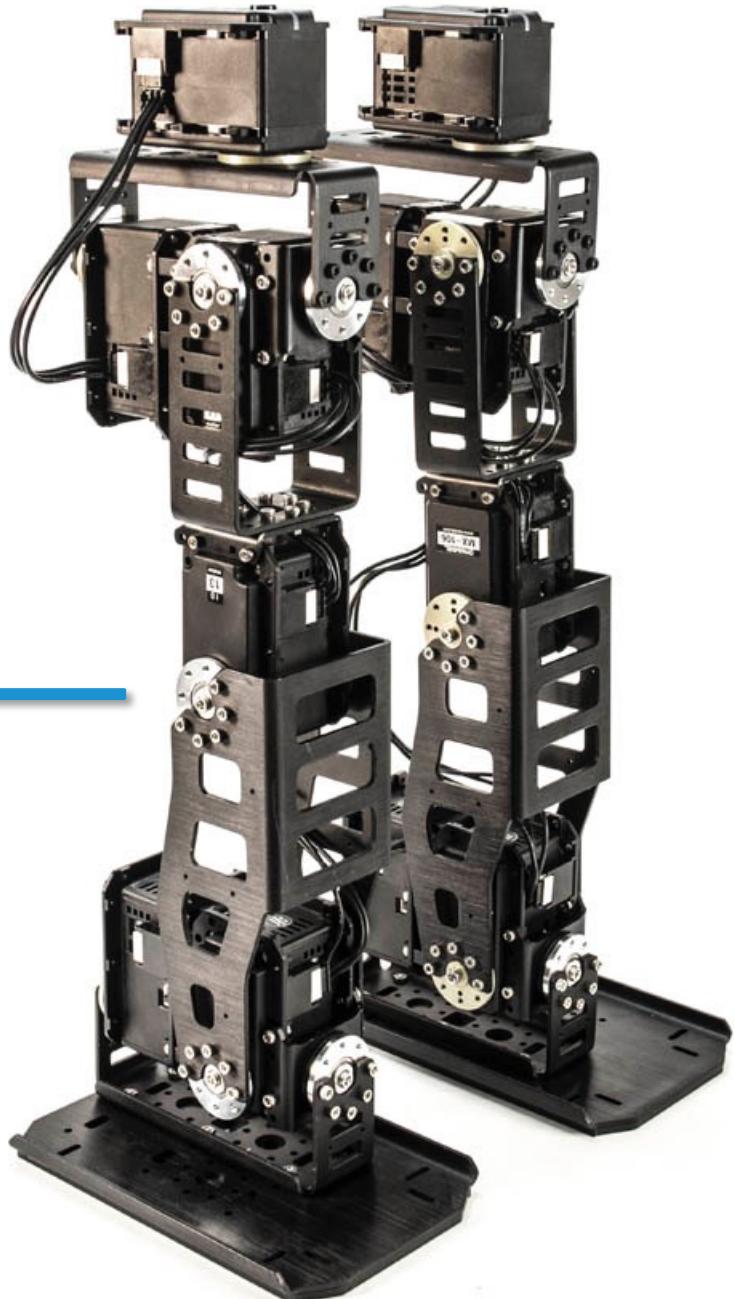
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Mobile and Humanoid Robots

Introduction to Kinematics

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Notation used throughout the lecture

- Scalars:

$$c_1 \quad a \quad b \quad \alpha$$

- Vectors:

$$\mathbf{a} = [1 \quad 2 \quad \dots \quad 6] \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 6}$$

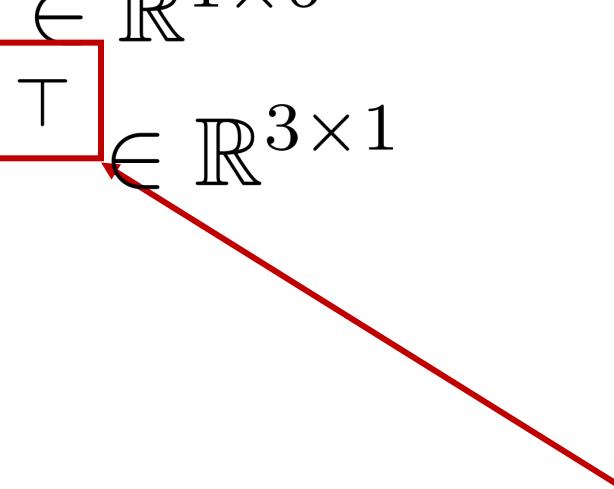
$$\mathbf{w} = [w_1 \quad w_2 \quad w_3] \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$$

- Matrices:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Functions

$$\mathbf{x} = f(\mathbf{q})$$



transpose operator



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Our variable convention for robotics

- Joint angles (usually in radians):

$$\mathbf{q} = [q_1 \quad q_2 \quad \dots \quad q_n]^T$$

- Pose of an end-effector – position and orientation - (SI convention, thus in meters):

$$\mathbf{x} = [x \quad y \quad z \quad \alpha \quad \beta \quad \gamma]^T$$

- Velocities and accelerations:

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} \quad \ddot{\mathbf{q}}$$

- Motor torques

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = [\tau_1 \quad \tau_2 \quad \dots \quad \tau_n]^T$$



Our variable convention for robotics

- Time dependent variables:

$$\mathbf{q}_{1\dots T} = [\mathbf{q}_1 \quad \mathbf{q}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{q}_T]$$

- Discrete time

$$\mathbf{q}_t = [q_t^{[1]} \quad q_t^{[2]} \quad \dots \quad q_t^{[n]}]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

- Continuous time

$$\mathbf{q}(t) = [q_1(t) \quad q_2(t) \quad \dots \quad q_n(t)]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}^+$$



Kinematics

- Involve determining the possible movements of a robot, without considering the forces and torques acting on the robot (the response to forces and torques is the subject of dynamics).
- Forward Kinematics (or direct kinematics)
 - determine the pose of, say, an end-effector (e.g. a hand), given the joint angles of the robot.



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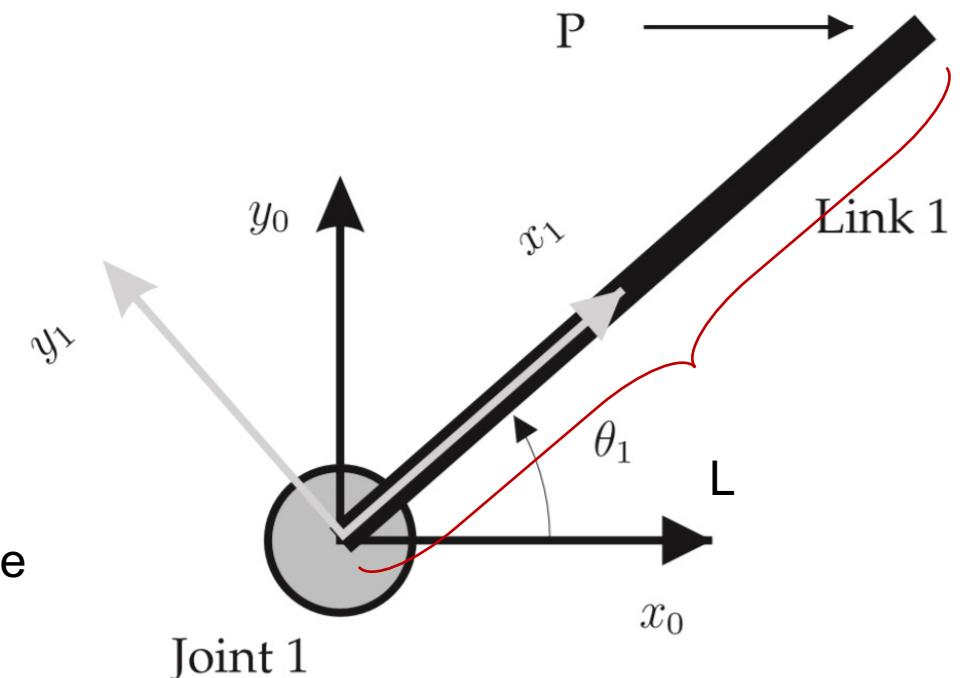


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- Frame 0, with coordinate axes marked x_0 and y_0 is called the reference frame or the inertial frame. Frame 1, with coordinate axes marked x_1 and y_1 is attached to the link. Thus, when joint 1 rotates, link 1 follows.
- Consider now the problem of expressing the orientation of frame 1 with respect to frame 0. As an example, consider the position vector of the end point P of link 1. In frame 1, the link extends along the x_1 -axis, and the position vector for the point P thus equals $(L, 0)$.
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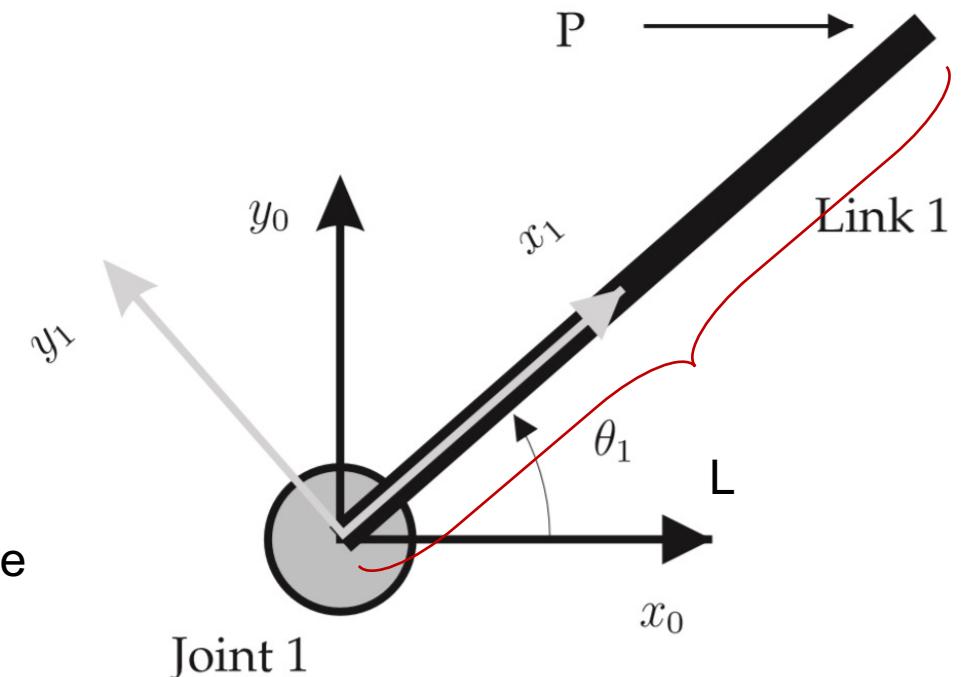


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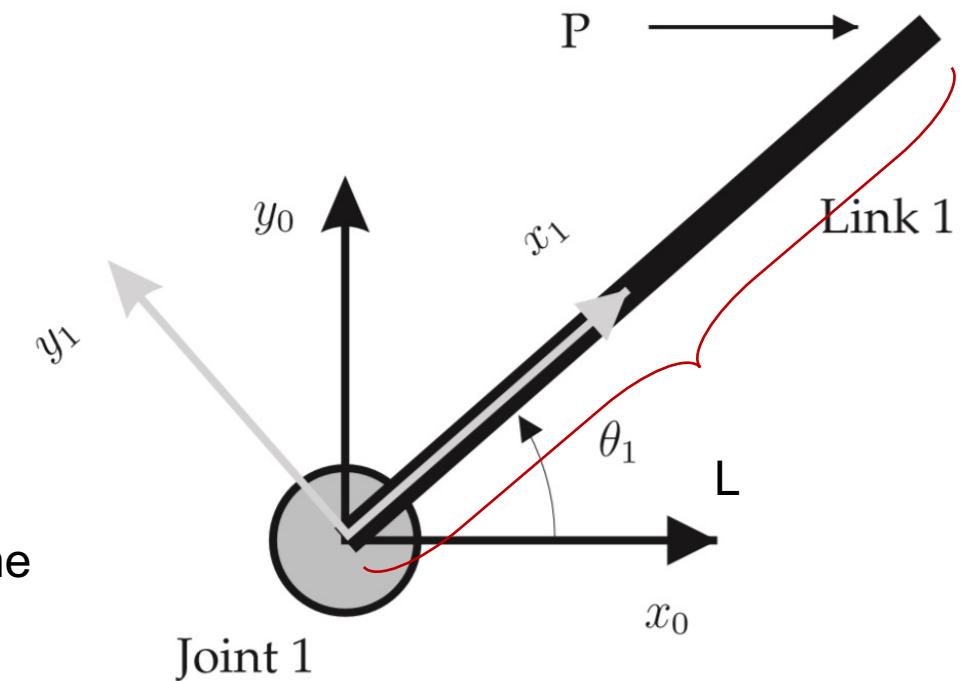
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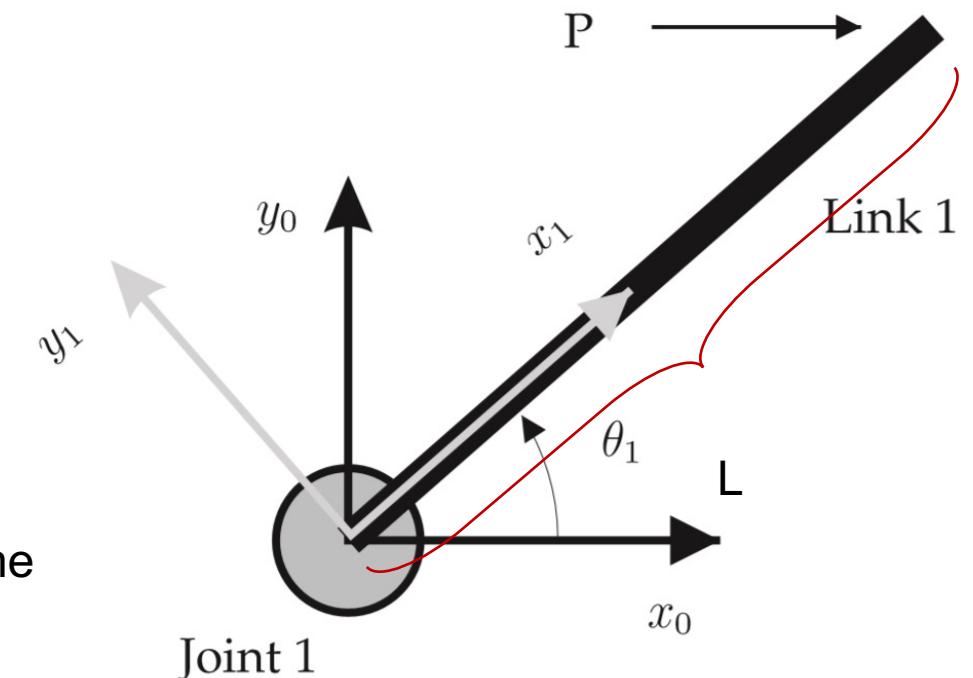
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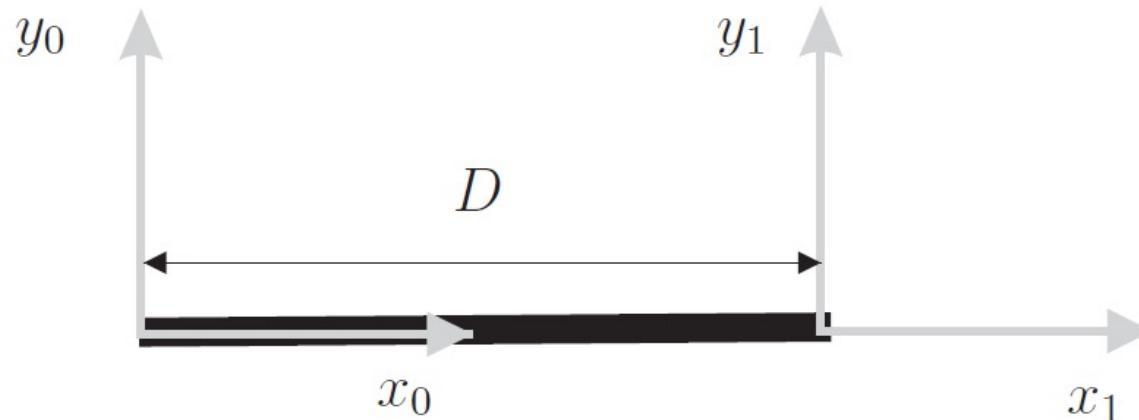
$$x_0 = x_1 \cos \theta_1 - y_1 \sin \theta_1$$
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Forward Kinematics: Homogeneous Transformations

- Typically, a humanoid robot has several revolute joints, which may be both translated and rotated relative to each other. In order to express the relation between different coordinate frames in robotics one normally uses homogeneous transformations that can handle both translations and rotations.
- Translation



- The homogeneous transformation matrix T has sixteen elements.
- The first three rows in the rightmost column define the translation (if any) relating two frames.
- Any point (x_1, y_1, z_1) in the coordinate system of frame 1 can be expressed in the coordinate system of frame 0 through the transformation.

- one coordinate system translated a distance D along a link parallel to the x_0 -axis (which coincides with the x_1 -axis).

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \\ z_0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(t_x, t_y, t_z)

translation vector relating frame 0 to frame 1



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Forward Kinematics: Homogeneous Transformations

- Rotations around the x_1 , y_1 and z_1 (by an angle θ) are given by

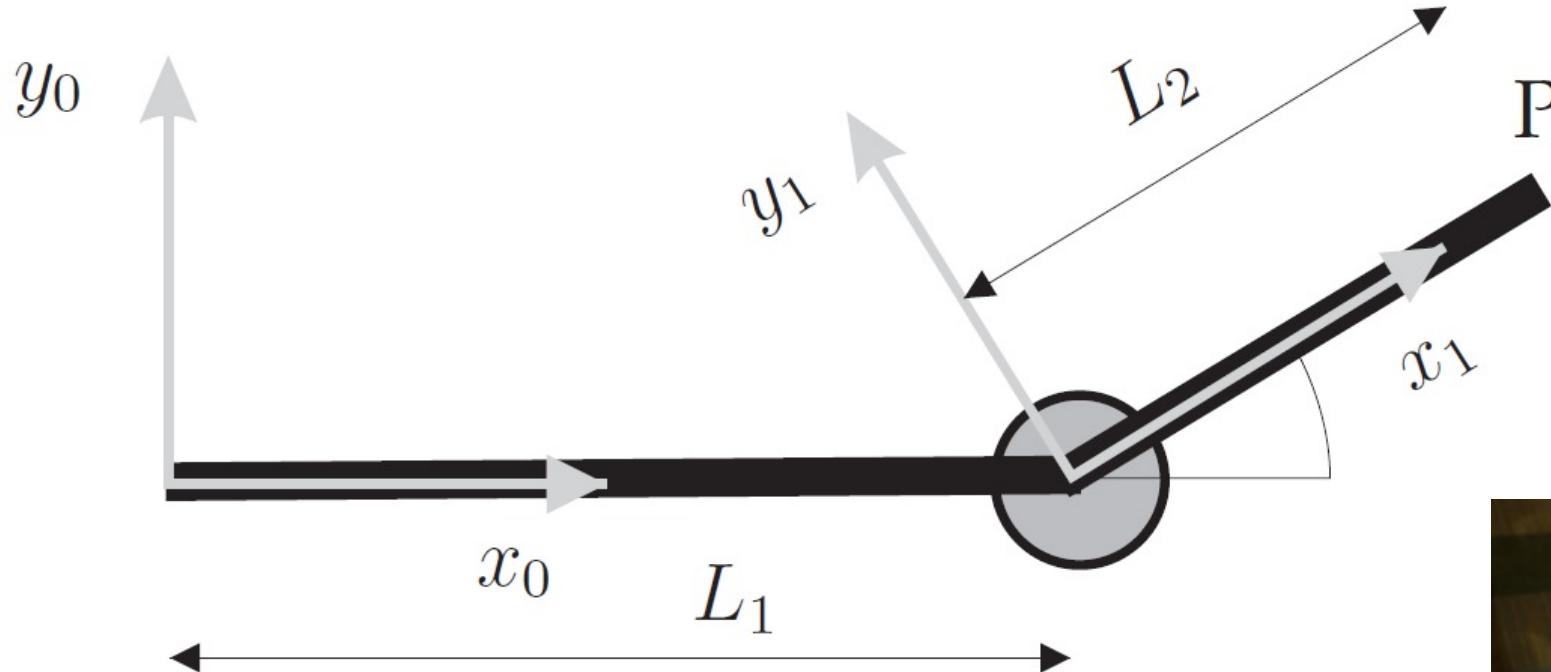
$$\text{RotX}(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{RotY}(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{RotZ}(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Exercise: Planar Kinematic Chain

- The robot has a single joint, which is translated a distance L_1 along the x_0 -axis.



- Questions?
 - What are the coordinates of the end point P , expressed in the reference frame 0?
 - What are the coordinates of P in frame 1?
 - Which is the coordinate transformation (homogeneous matrix), combining the translation $(L_1, 0, 0)$ with a rotation around the z_0 -axis?

Solution: Planar Kinematic Chain

- Coordinates of the end point P, expressed in the reference frame 0

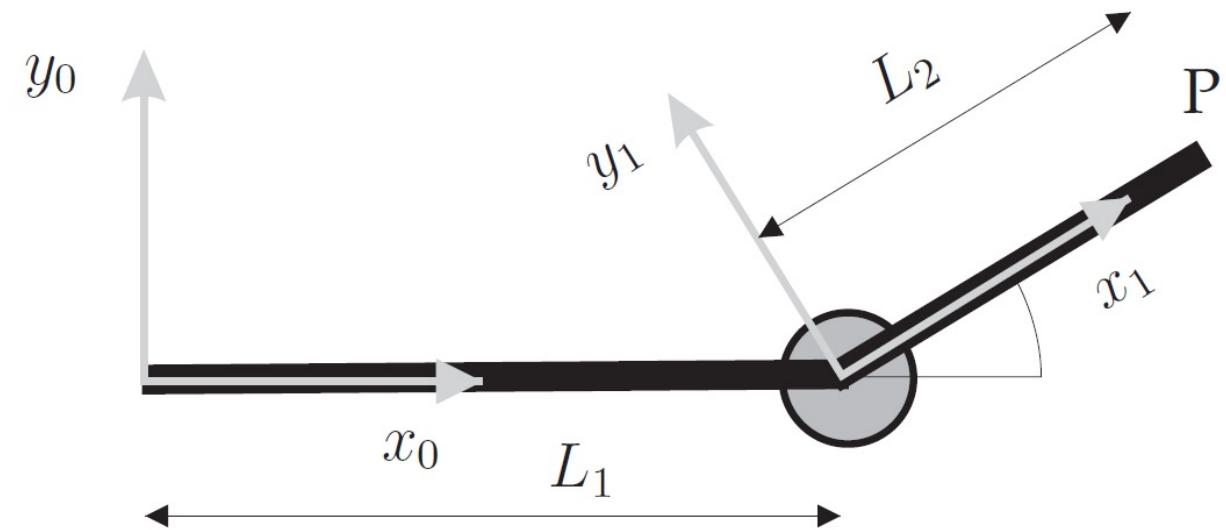
$$x_0 = L_1 + L_2 \cos \theta$$

$$y_0 = L_2 \sin \theta$$

- Coordinates of the end point P, expressed frame 1

$$\mathbf{P} = [L_2 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

- Coordinate transformation (homogeneous matrix), combining the translation $(L_1, 0, 0)$ with a rotation around the z_0 -axis?



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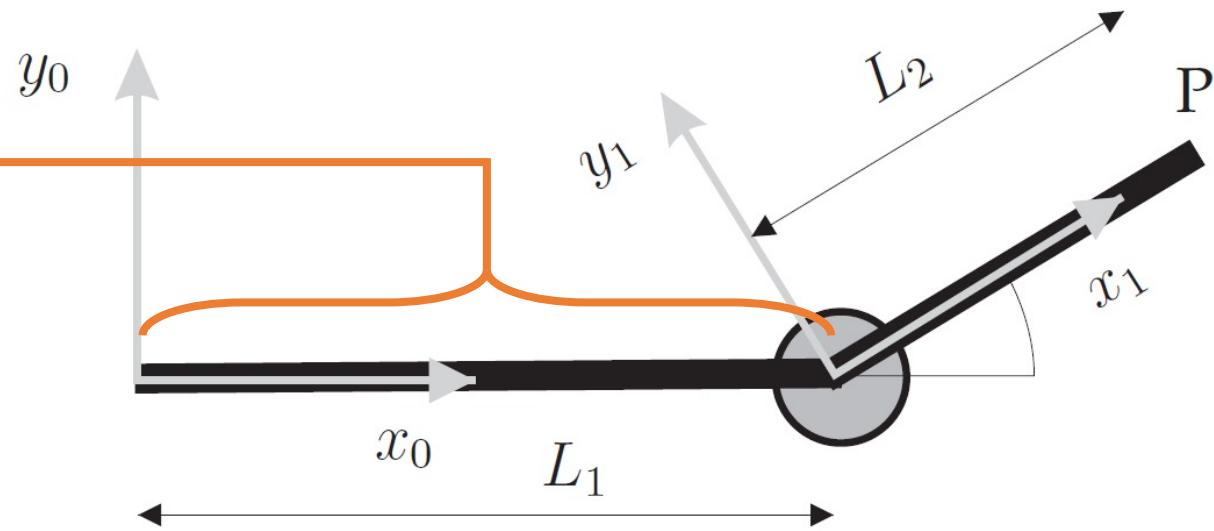
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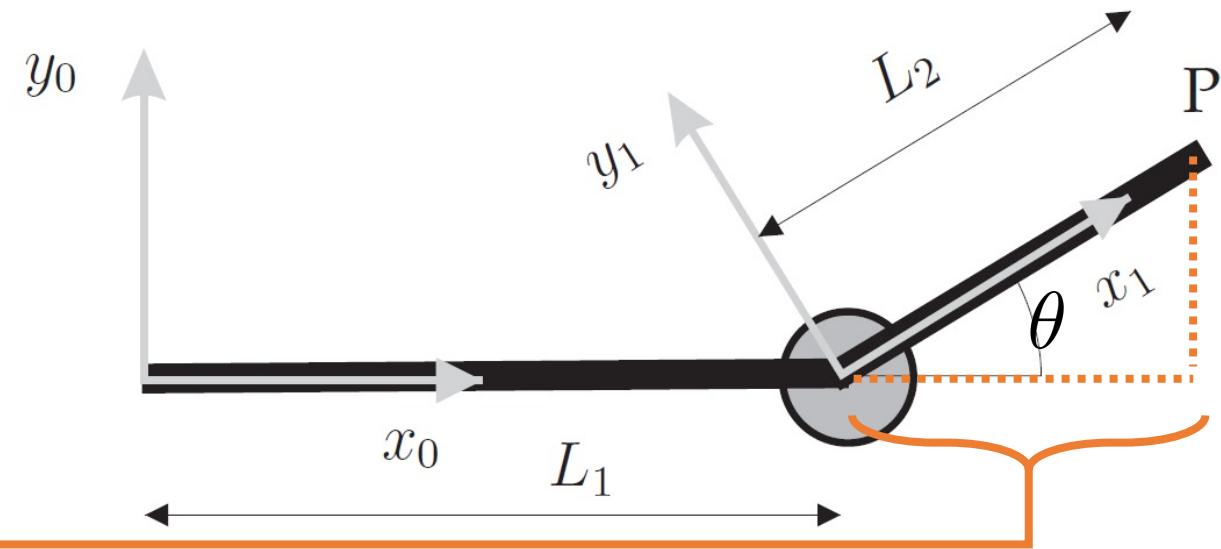
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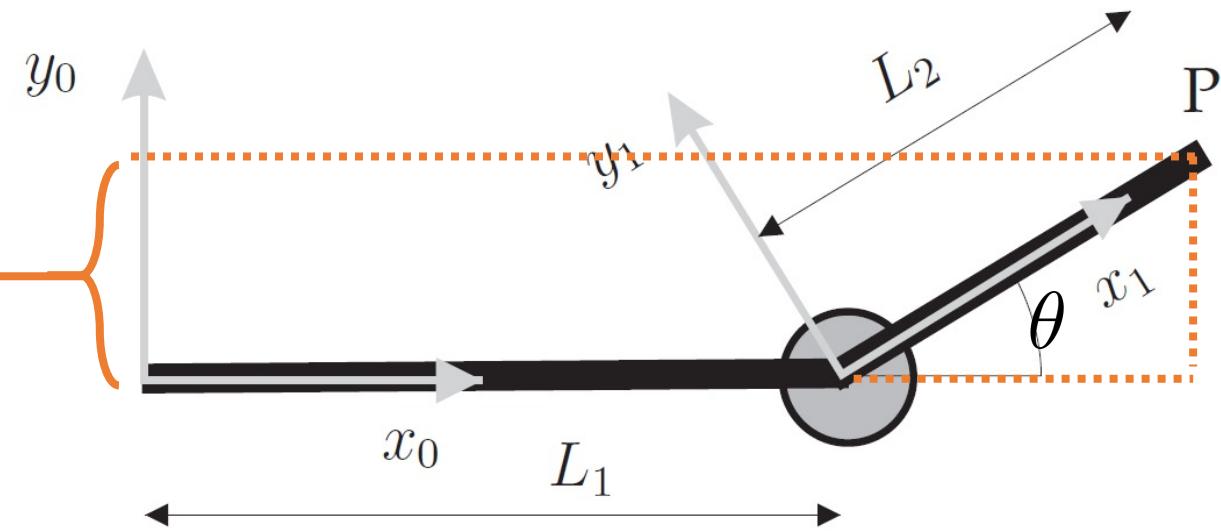
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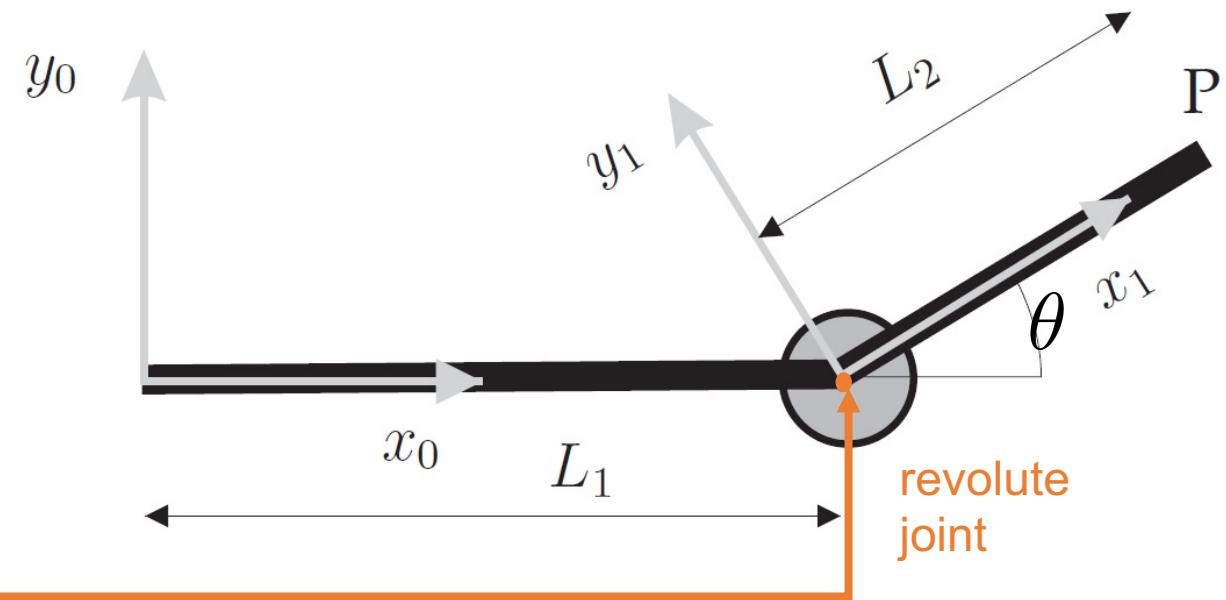
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rotation of frame 1 around z-axis of frame 0



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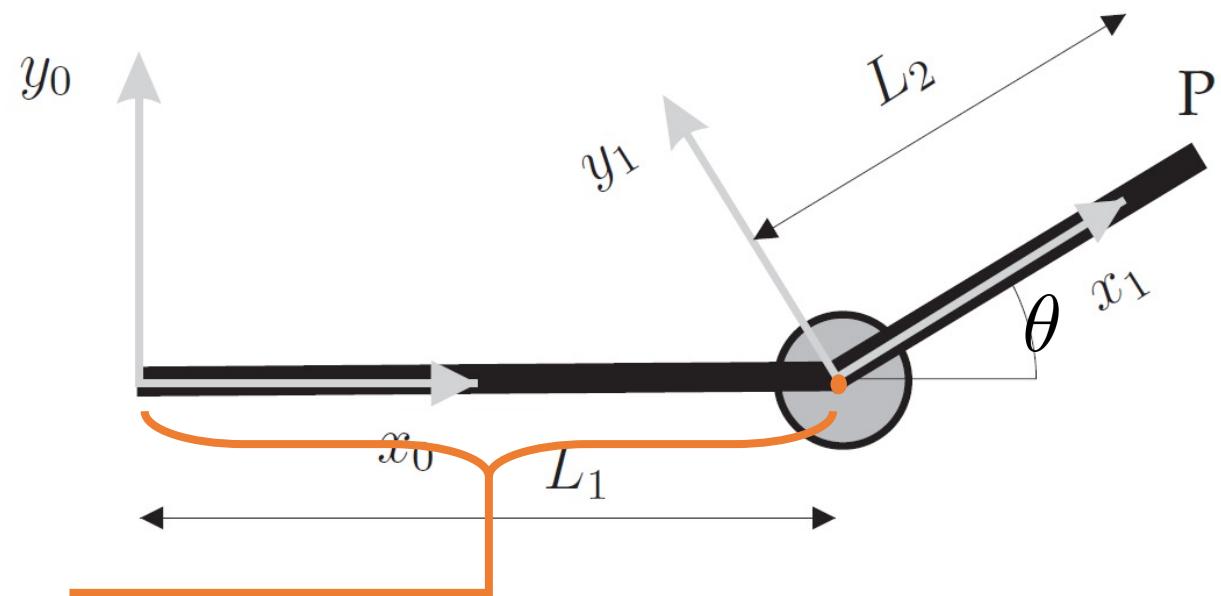
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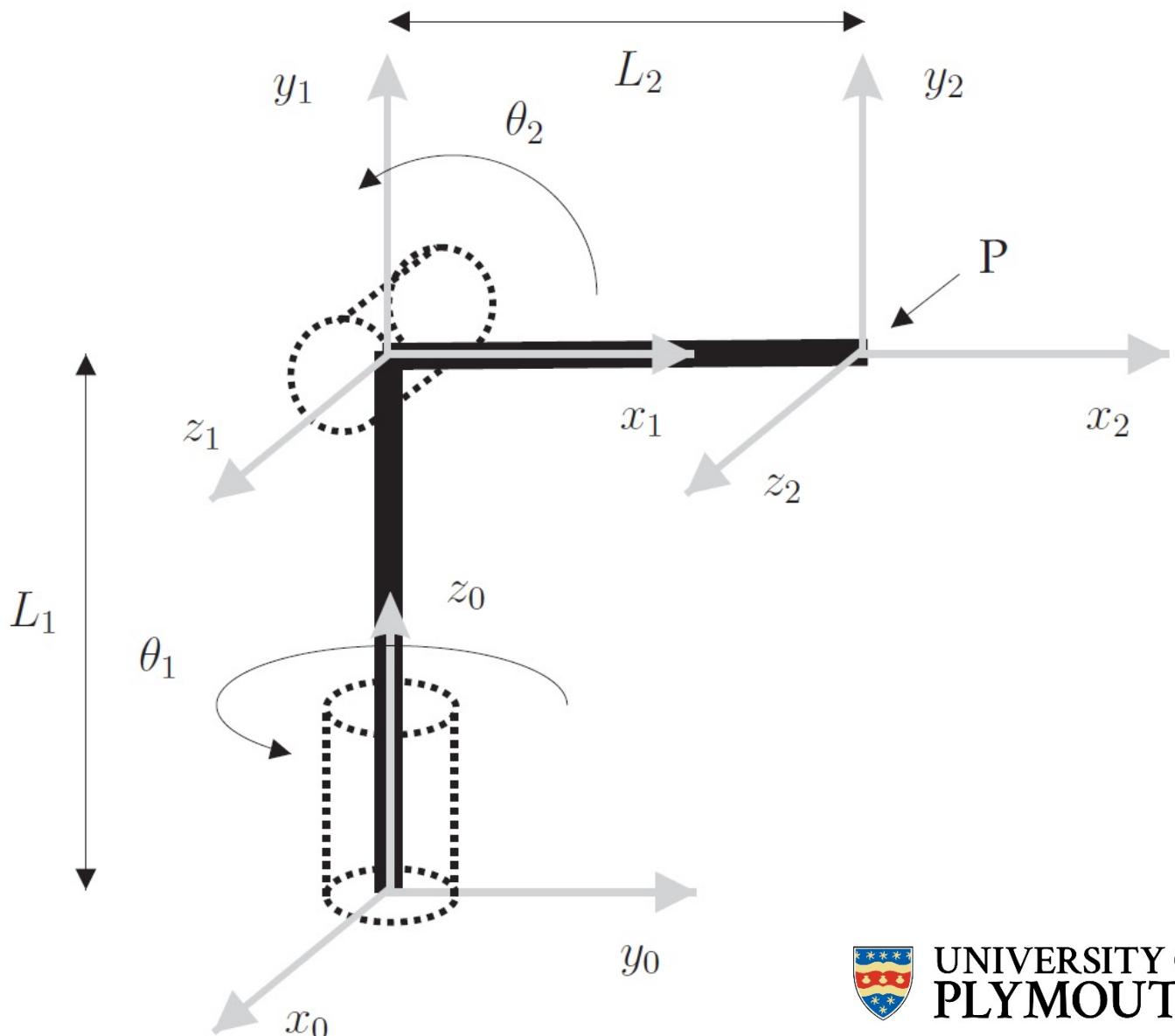
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displacement of frame 1 wrt frame 0

Non-planar Motions: Two revolute joints

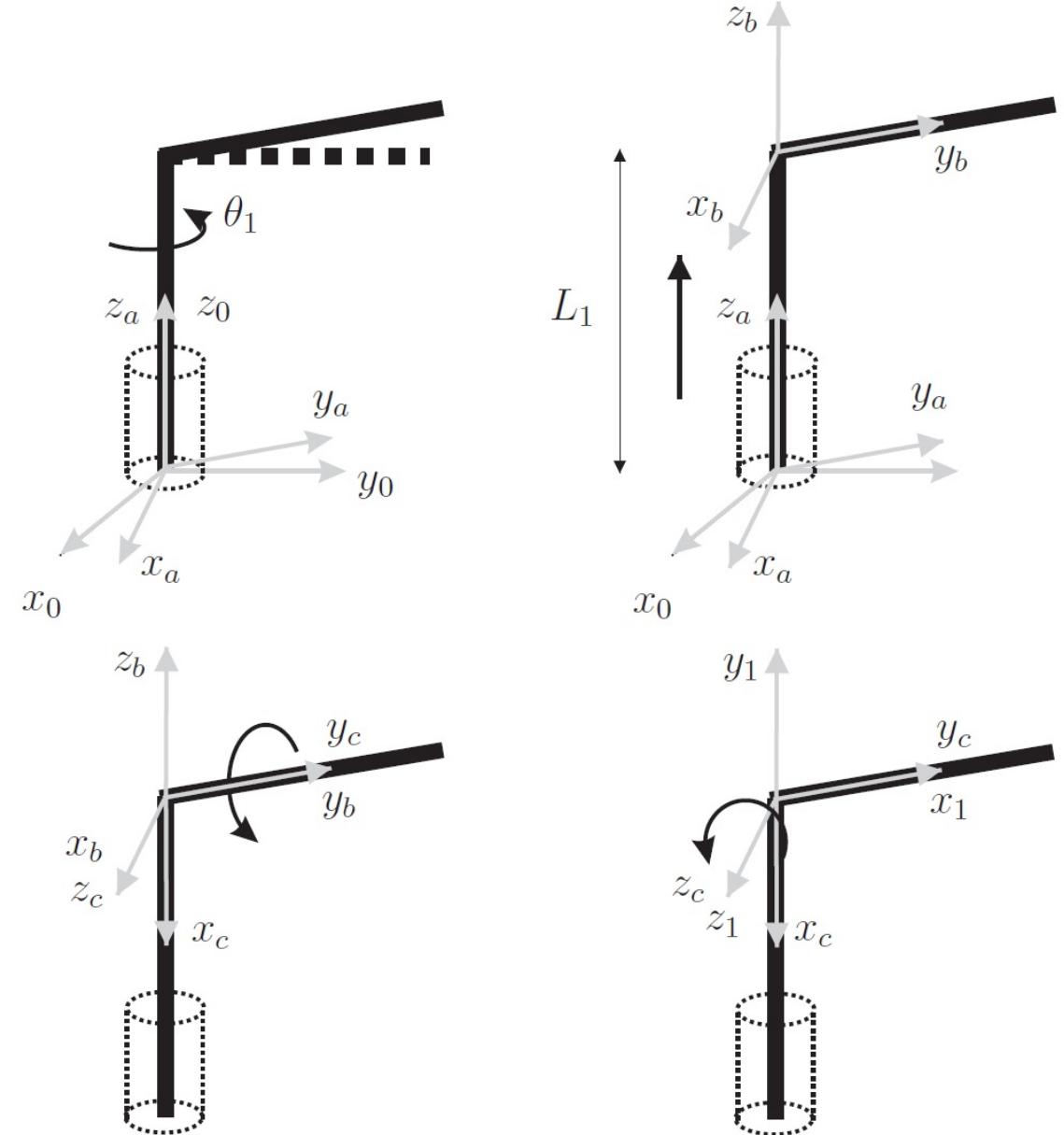
- Transformations (rotations and translations) can be represented as a product of homogeneous transformation matrices.
 - systematic way of representing translations and rotations.
- Two revolute joints.
 - the placement of the coordinate axes is such that the rotation of the joints occurs around the z axes in the various frames
 - in frame 2 the position of the end point P equals $(0, 0, 0)$ and, when $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0$, the corresponding position in frame 0 equals $(0, L_2, L_1)$.



Non-planar Motions: Two revolute joints

- Consider the transformations connecting frame 1 to frame 0 (the reference frame).
 - Four steps
 - a , b , and c are used to denote the intermediate frames

- The first part of the transformation involves the rotation of the coordinate frame (by an angle θ_1) around the z_0 axis.
- The second transformation involves a translation along the z_a axis (which coincides with the z_0 axis)
- The two final steps consist of rotating the coordinate frame to place the z_1 axis.

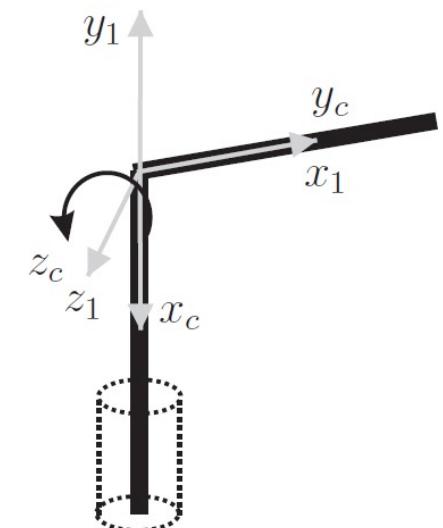
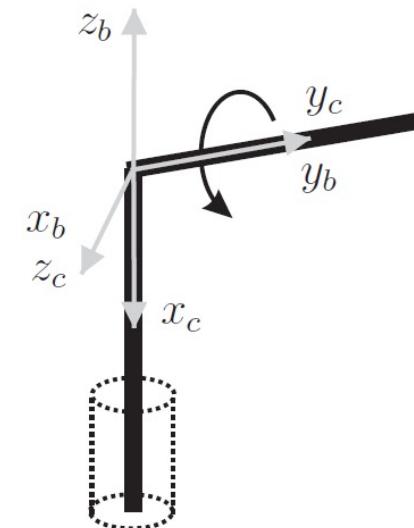
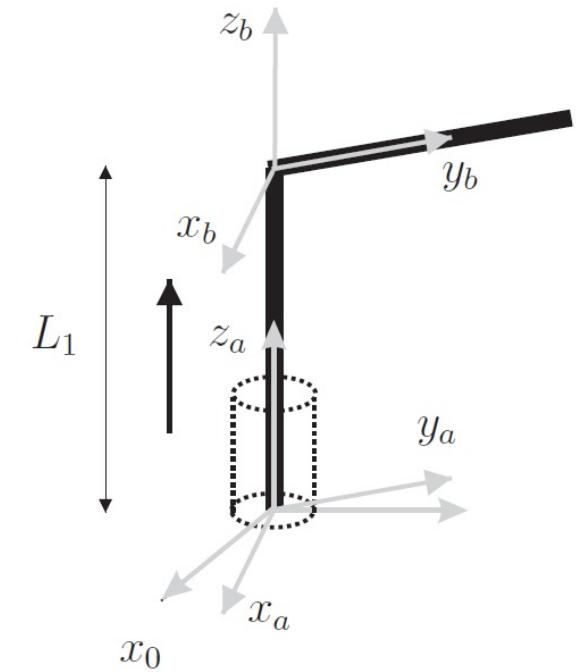
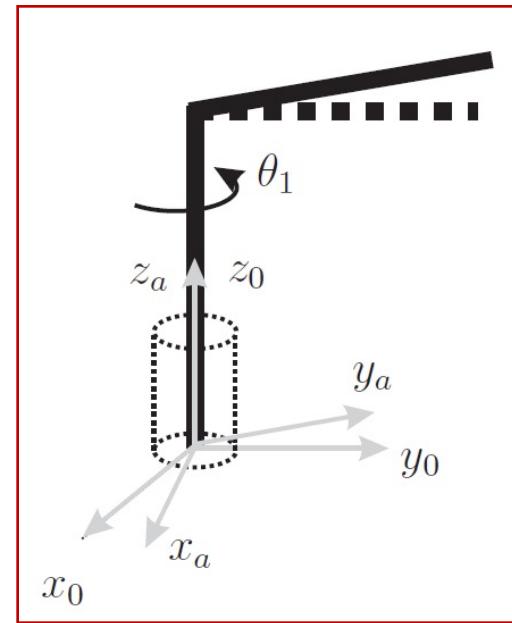


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- Transformation relating frame 0 to frame a
 - Joint 1 rotates the robot around the z_0 axis.

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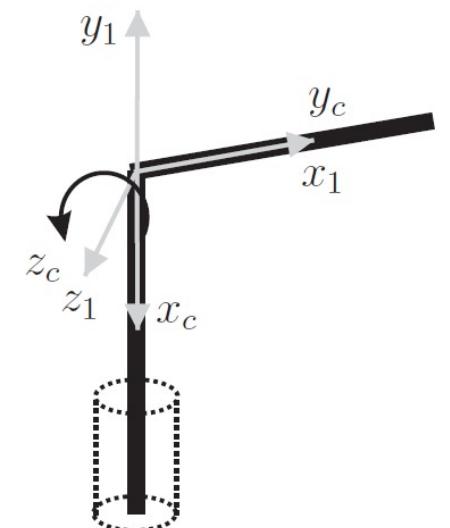
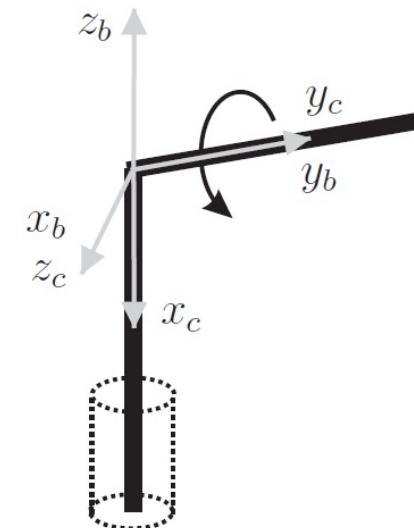
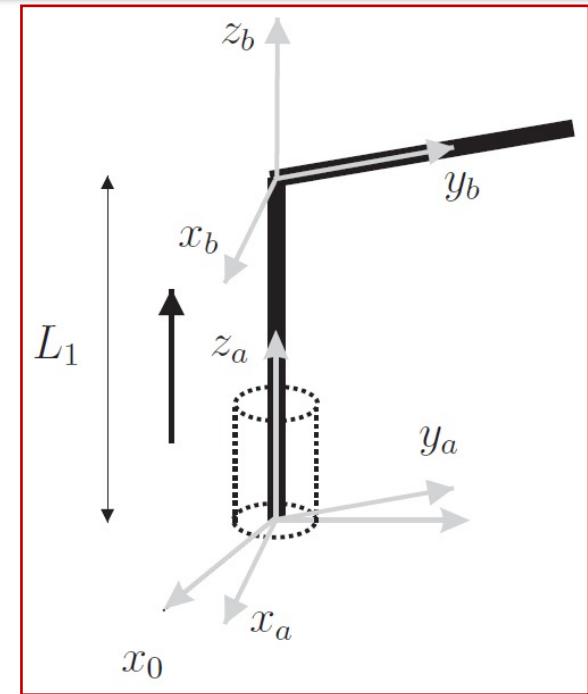
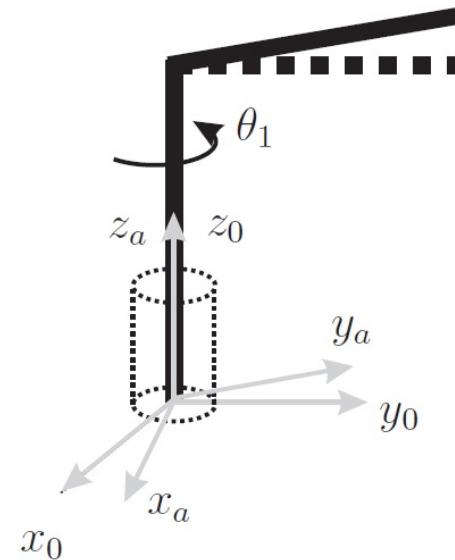
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- Transformation relating frame a to frame b
 - Translation L_1 length units along the z_a axis

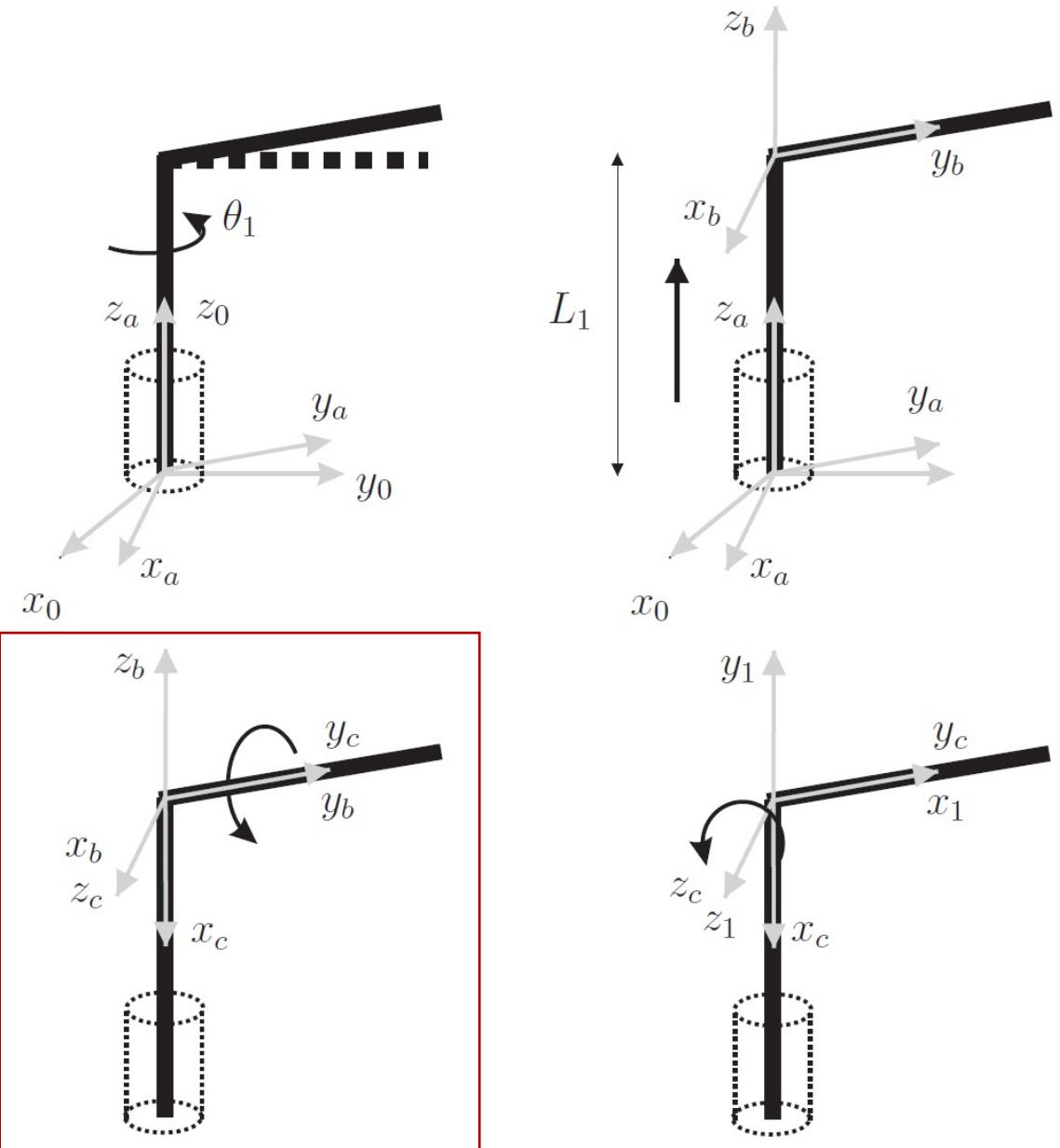
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Non-planar Motions: Two revolute joints

- Transformation relating frame b to frame c
 - the coordinate system is rotated 90 degrees around the y_b axis (note the direction of rotation).

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_b \\ y_b \\ z_b \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z_c \\ y_c \\ -x_c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



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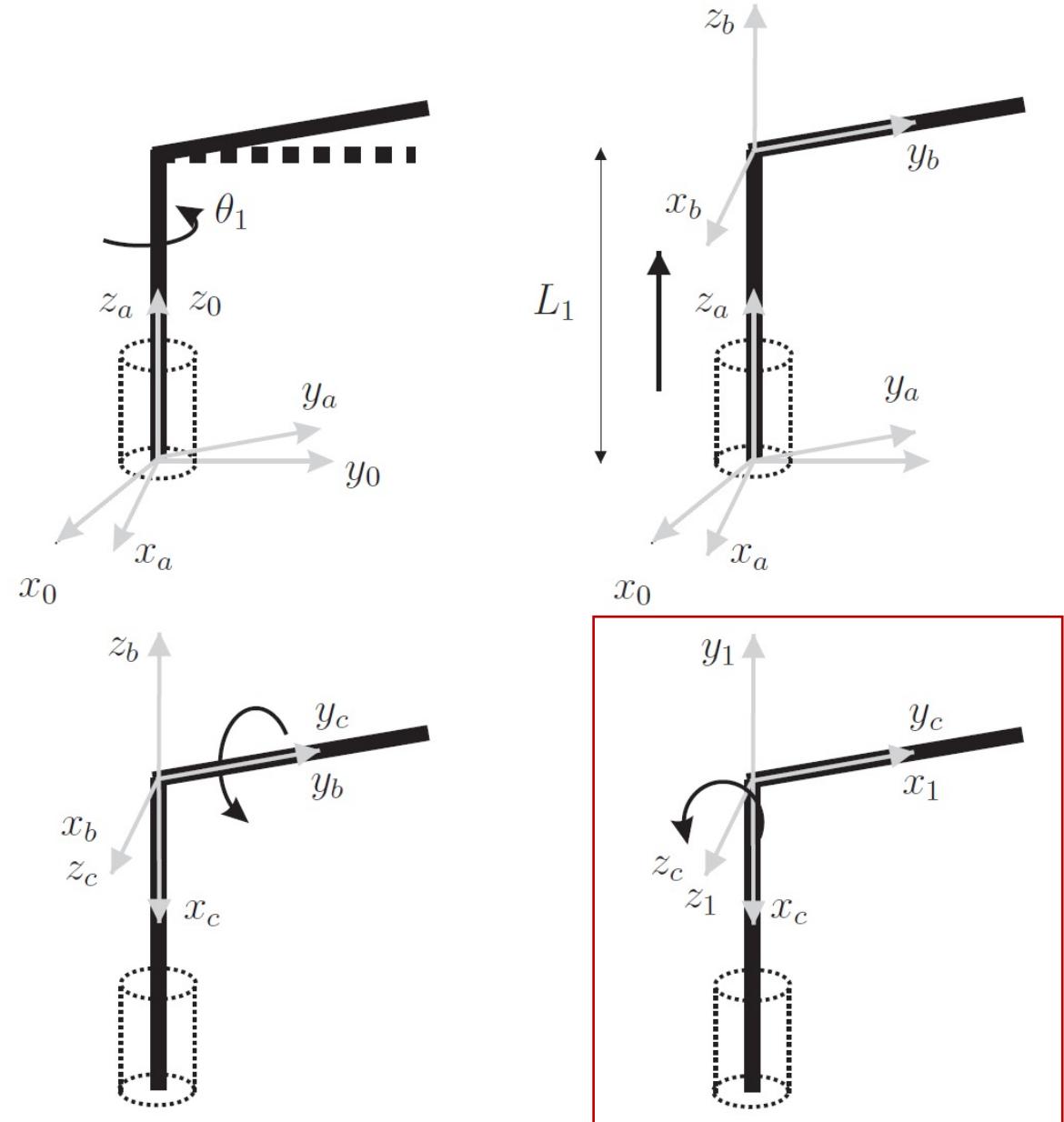
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- Transformation relating frame c to frame 1
 - the coordinate system is rotated 90 degrees around the z_c axis

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -y_1 \\ x_1 \\ z_1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Put all together to complete the transformation relating frame 1 to frame 0



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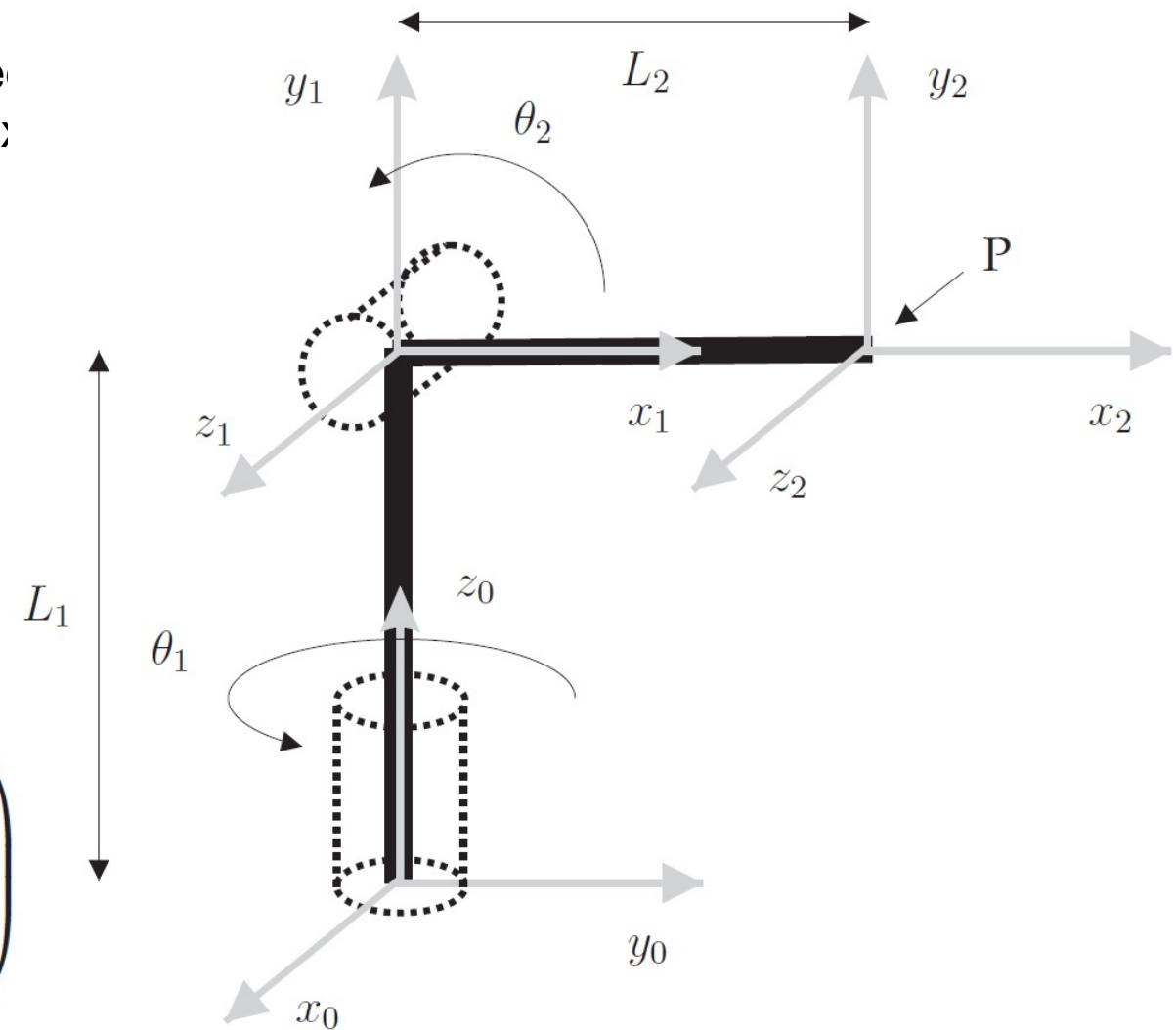
- Transformation relating frame 2 to frame 1
 - introduce a temporary frame d which is obtained by rotating frame 1 by an angle θ_2 around the z_1 axis:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_d \\ y_d \\ z_d \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The relation between frame d and frame 2 is a simple translation (of a distance L_2) along the x_d axis (which coincides with the x_2 axis).

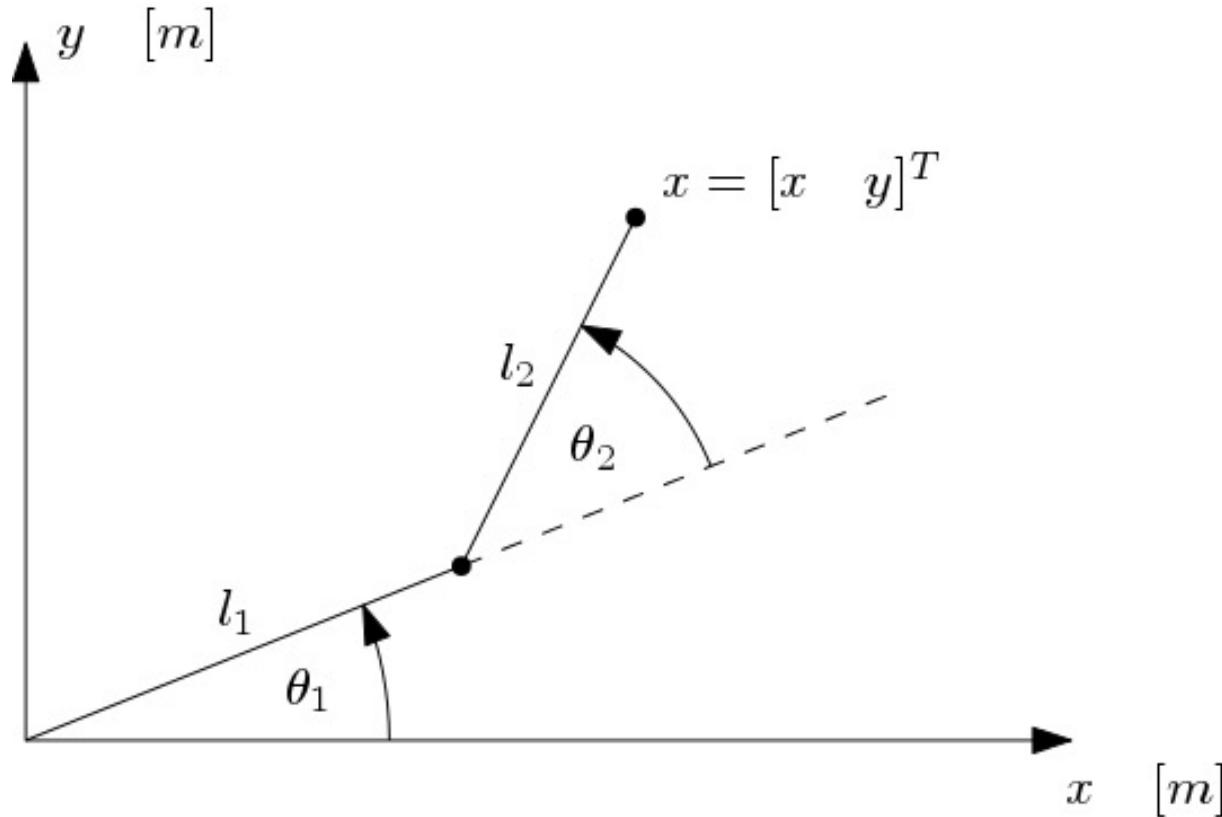
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- Put all together to complete the transformation relating frame 2 to frame 0



Exercise: Two Links Planar Kinematic Chain

- The robot has two revolute joints.



- Questions?
 - What are the coordinates of the end point x , expressed in the reference frame?
 - What are the coordinates of x in the second frame?
 - Which is the coordinate transformation (homogeneous matrix), combining the two rotations?

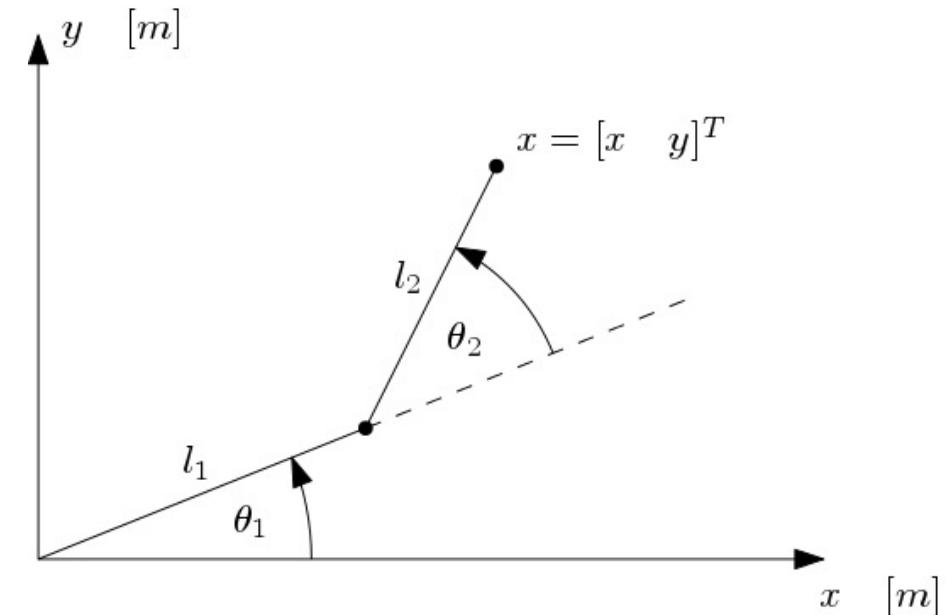
Solution: Planar Kinematic Chain

- Coordinates of the end point P, expressed in the reference frame

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- Coordinates of the end point x, expressed frame 2

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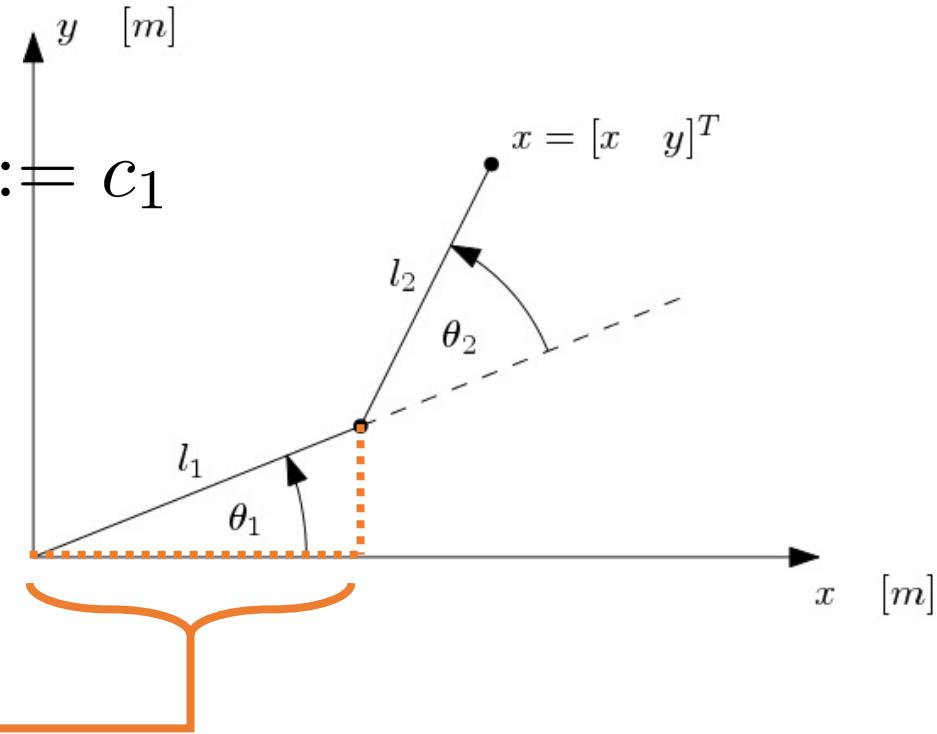
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shorthand

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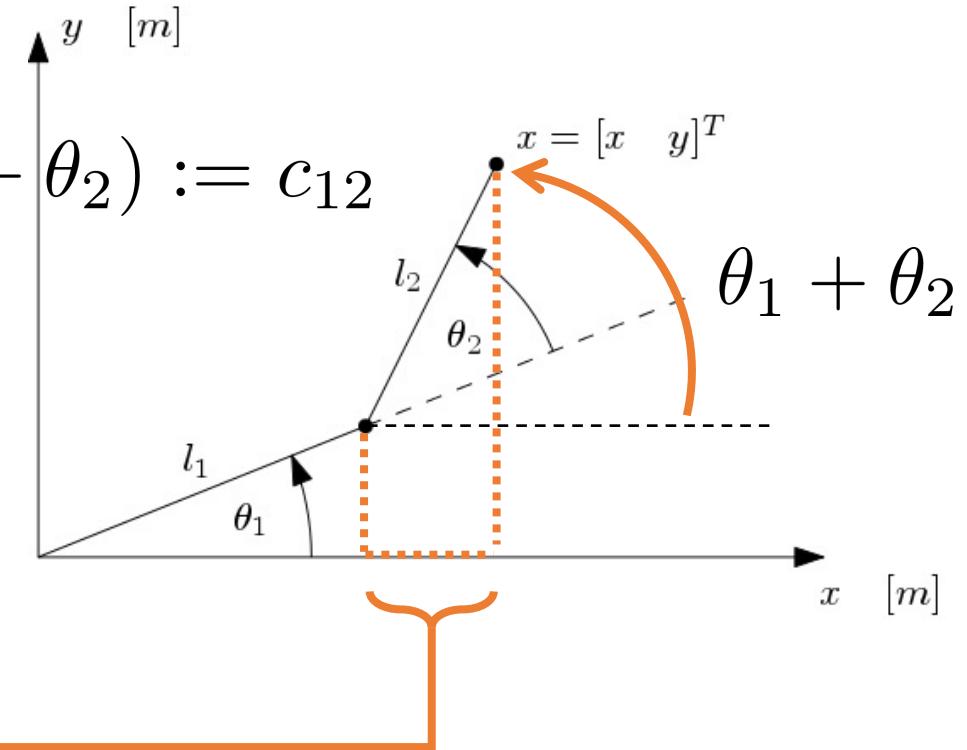
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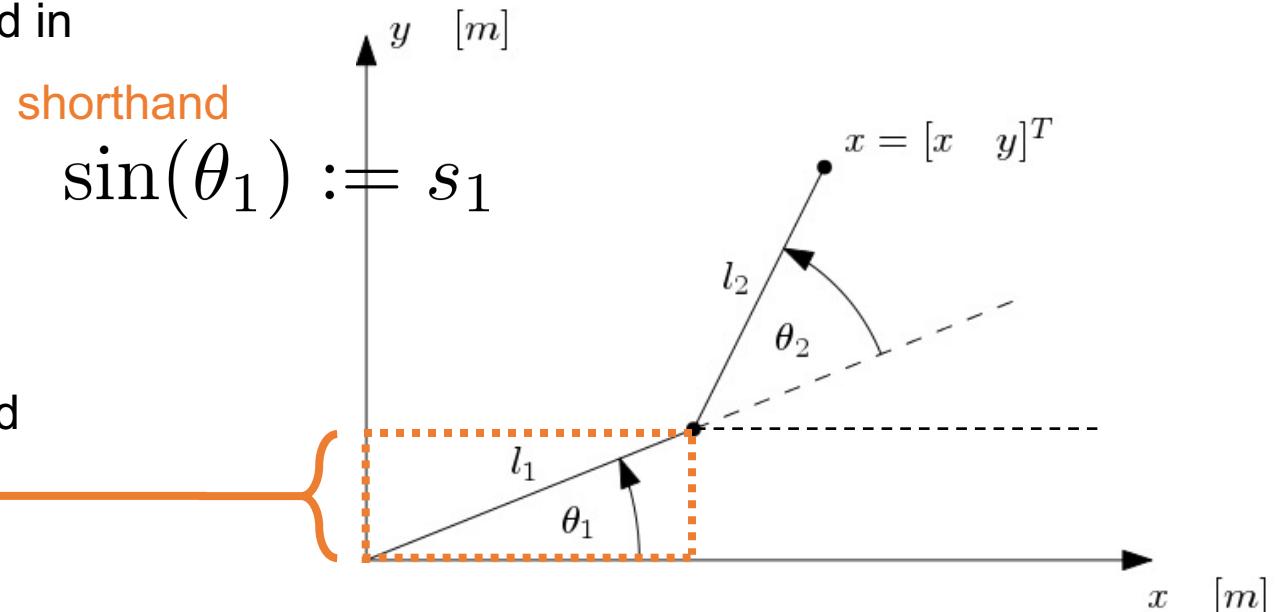
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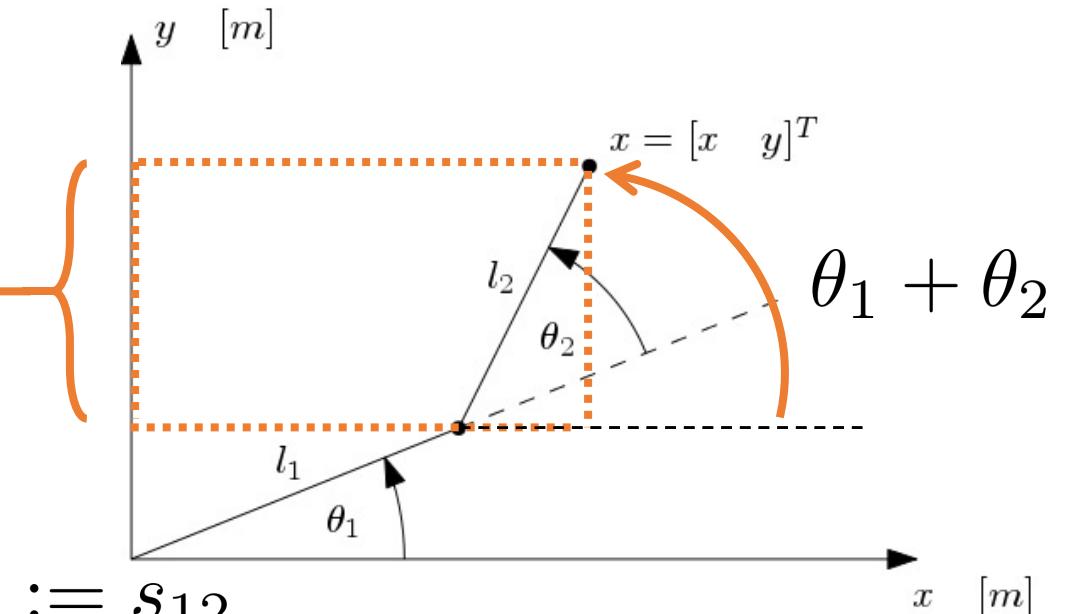
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$$\mathbf{x} = [l_2 \quad 0 \quad 0]^T \quad \text{shorthand} \quad \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) := s_{12}$$



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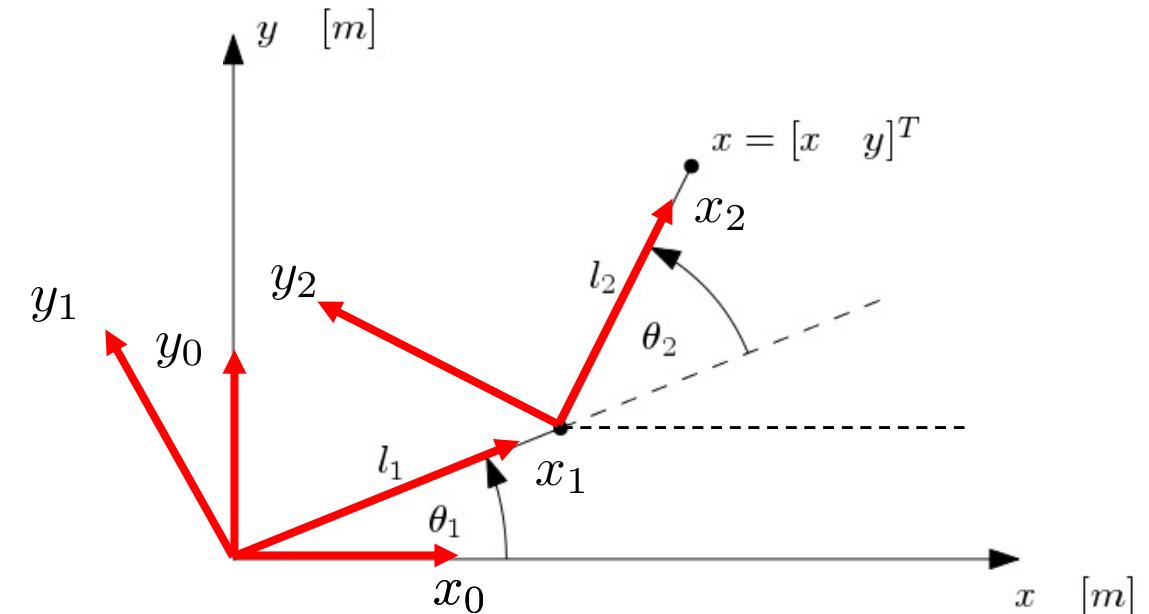
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- Coordinate transformation (homogeneous matrix), combining the two rotations
 - Transformation relating frame 0 (inertial frame) to frame 1



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \\ z_0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 c_1 - y_1 s_1 \\ x_1 s_1 + y_1 c_1 \\ z_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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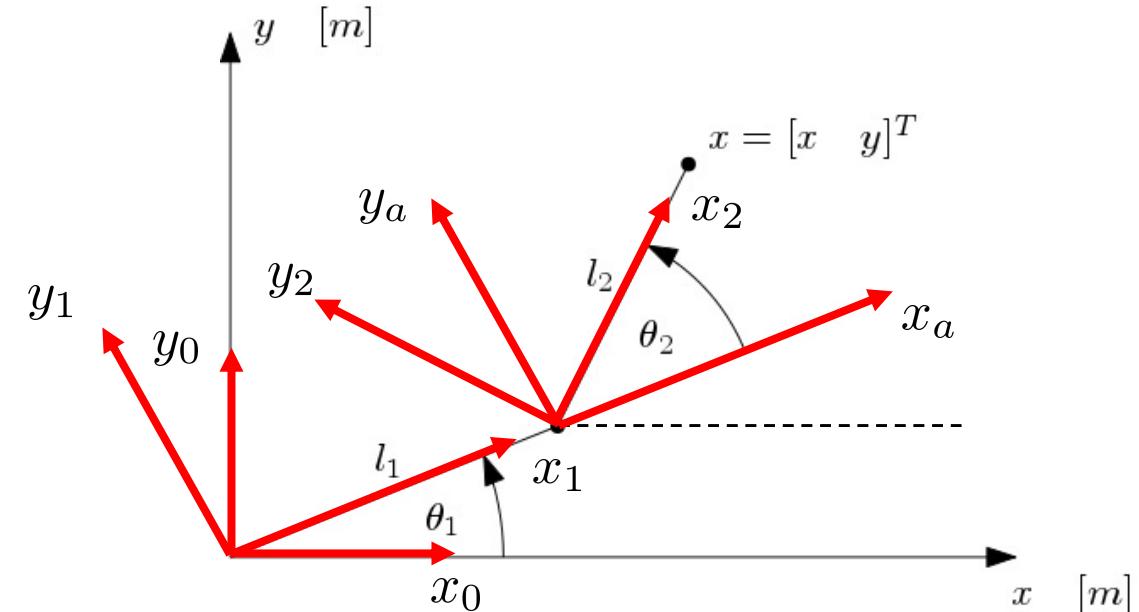
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- Coordinates of the end point x, expressed frame 2

$$\mathbf{x} = [l_2 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

- Coordinate transformation (homogeneous matrix), combining the two rotations
 - Transformation relating frame 1 to frame a (temporarily introduced)
 - Translation l_1 length units along the x_1 axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & l_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_a \\ y_a \\ z_a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_a + l_1 \\ y_a \\ z_a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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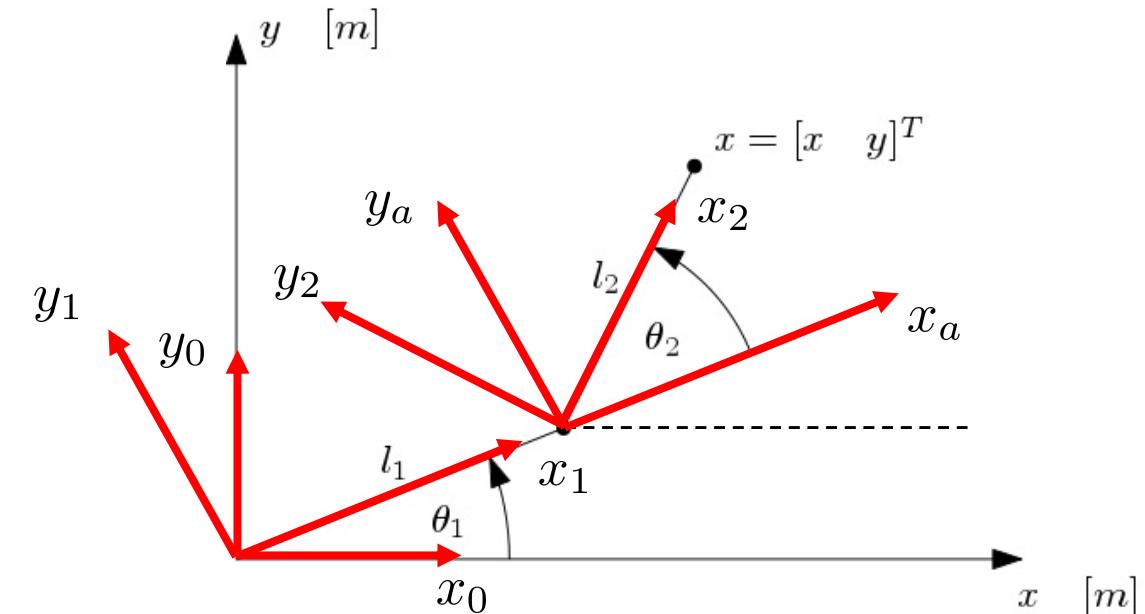
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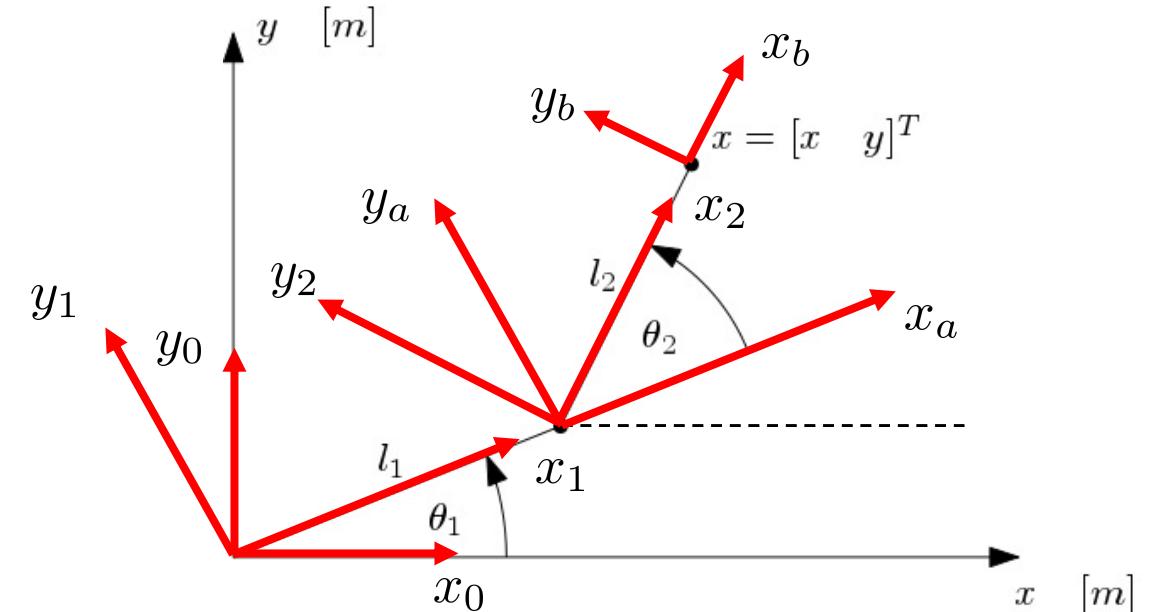
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 - Transformation relating frame 2 to frame b (temporary introduced)

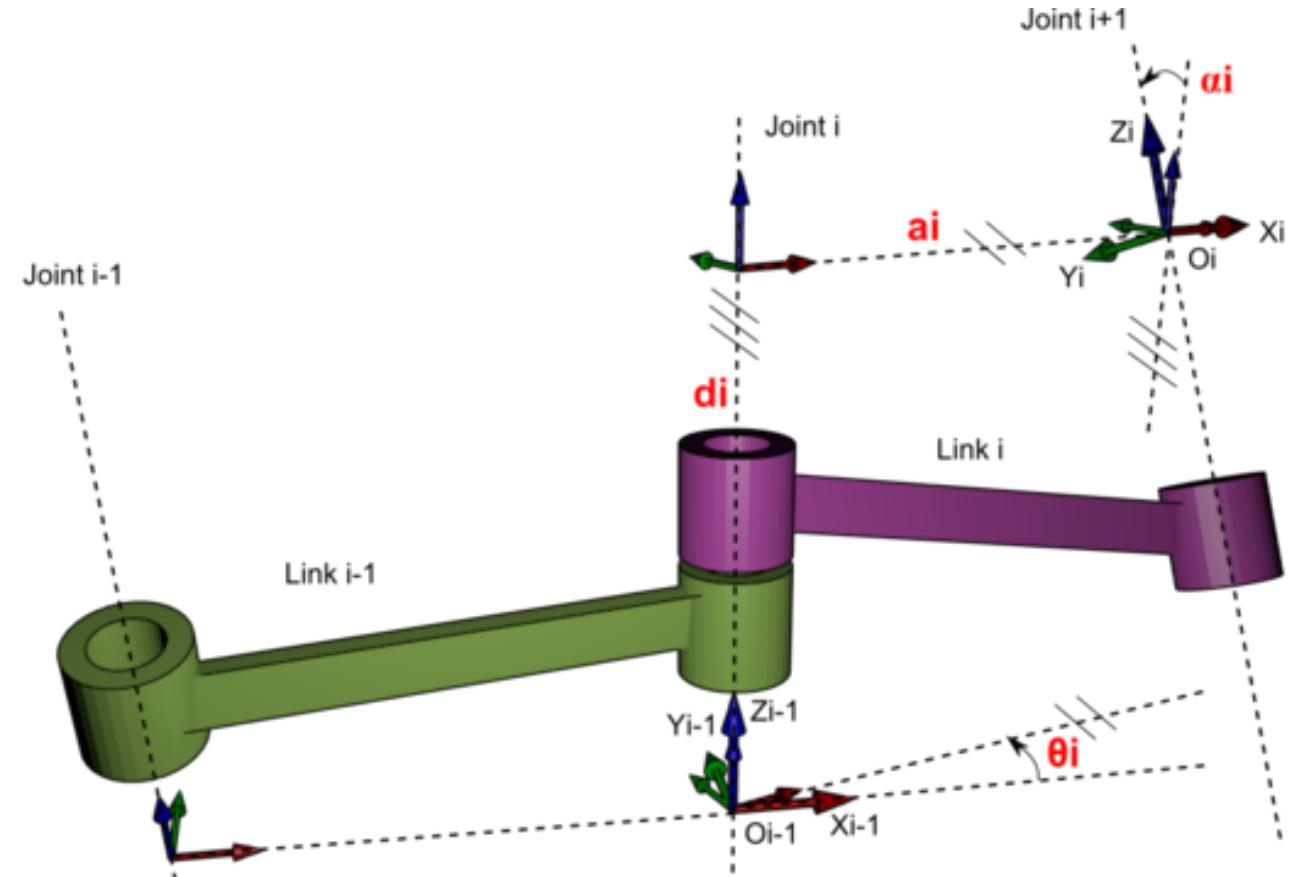


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- Put all together to complete the transformation relating frame b to frame 0
 - To obtain the initial relation the point must coincide with the origin of frame b

Denavit-Hartenberg

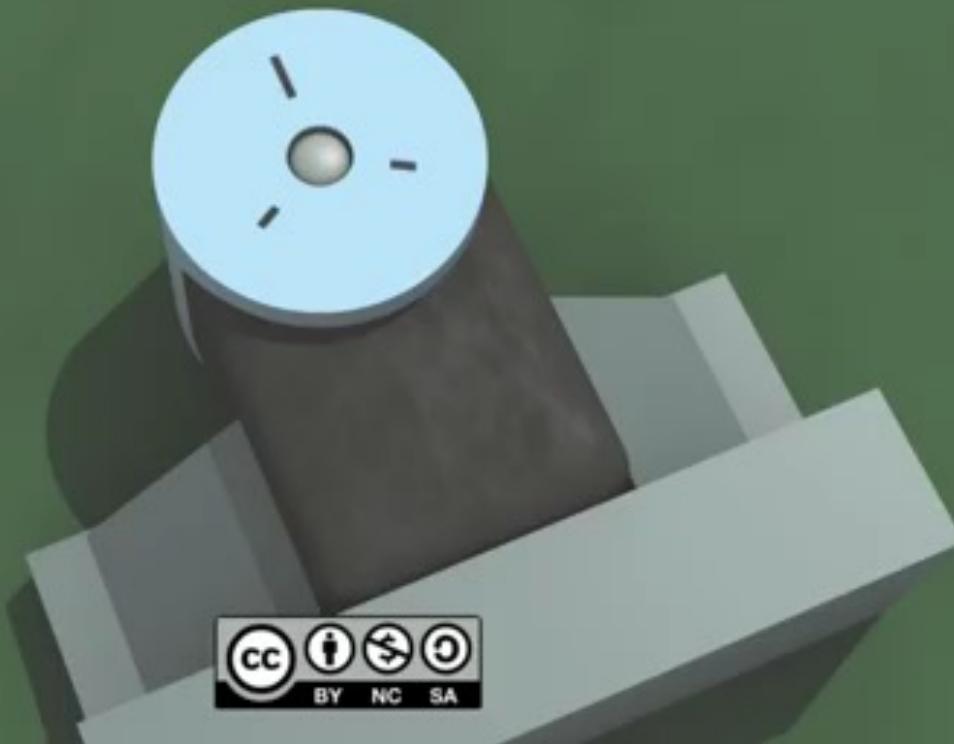
- Commonly used convention for selecting frames of reference in robotics applications
 - Systematic general method
- Four parameters associated with a particular convention for attaching reference frames to the links of a spatial kinematic chain
 - d - offset along previous z to the common normal
 - θ - angle about previous z , from old x to new x
 - r - length of the common normal (aka a , but if using this notation, do not confuse with α). Assuming a revolute joint, this is the radius about previous z .
 - α angle about common normal, from old z axis to new z axis



Denavit-Hartenberg

Denavit-Hartenberg Reference Frame Layout

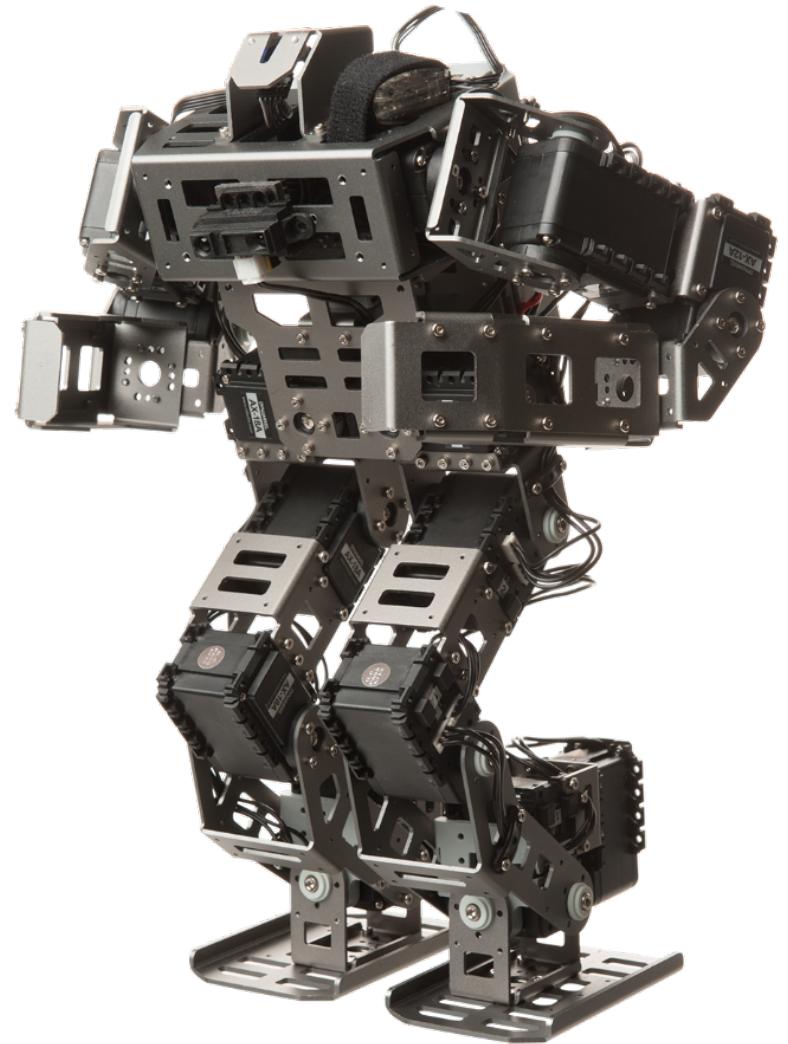
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Inverse Kinematics

- In simple cases, closed-form solutions can be found.
 - However, this is rare: typically, the joint angles must be found using some numerical method.
- Unlike the forward problem, the inverse problem does not always have a unique solution.
- Methods:
 - Analytic (using Denavit-Hartenberg inverse transformations)
 - Geometric (using trigonometric identities)
 - Numeric (based on optimization)
 - Newton method or Jacobian inverse
 - Gradient method or Jacobian transpose
 - Machine Learning (Neural Networks, Gaussian Processes)



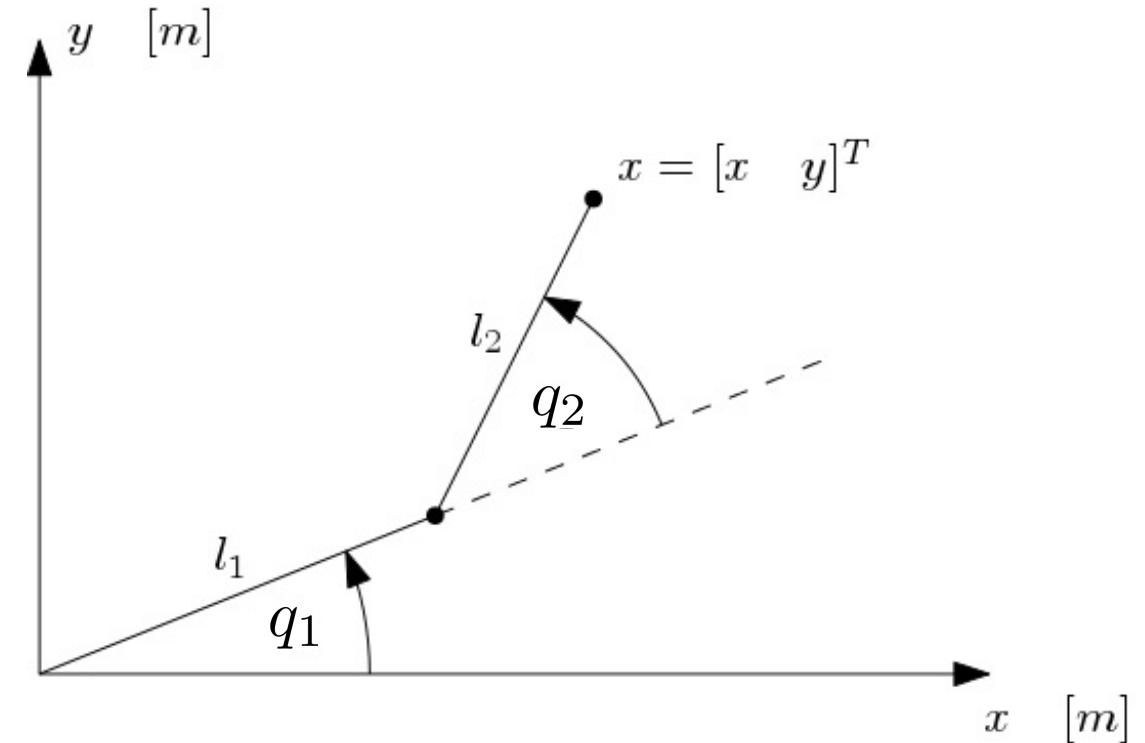
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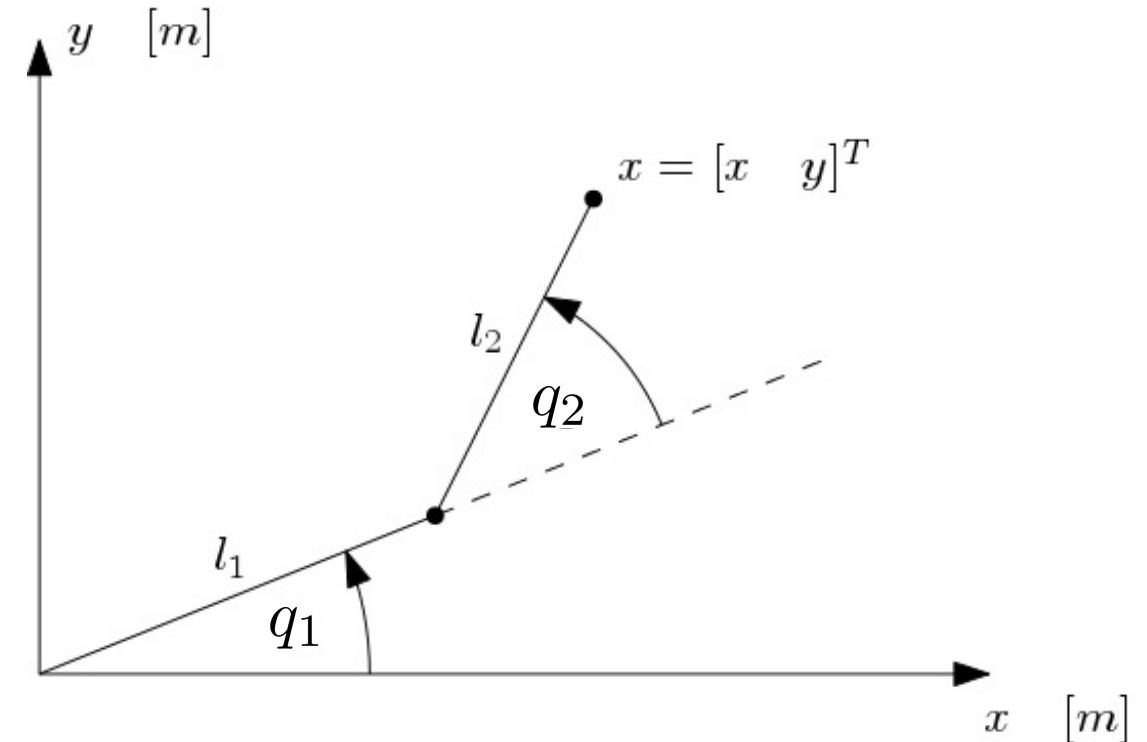
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- Hint:
 - Use the relation below

$$x^2 + y^2$$



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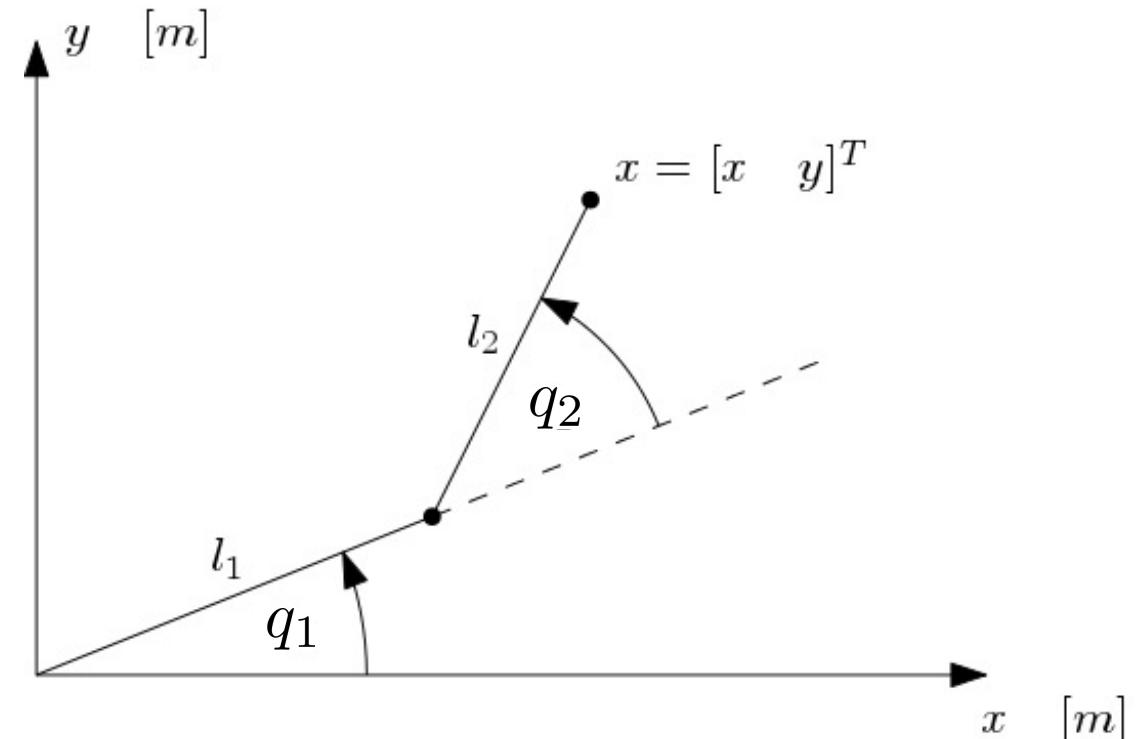
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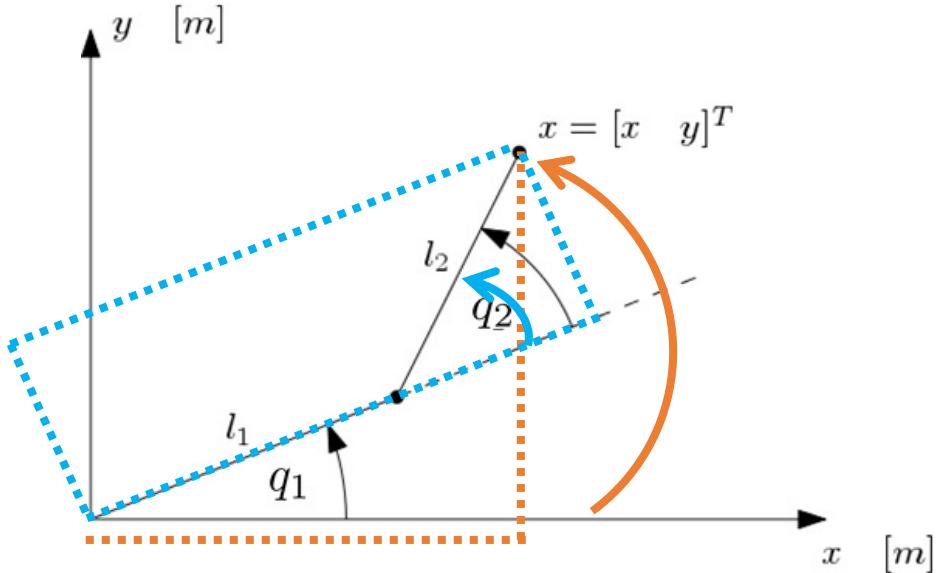
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trigonometric rules used

$$c_{12} = c_1c_2 - s_1s_2$$

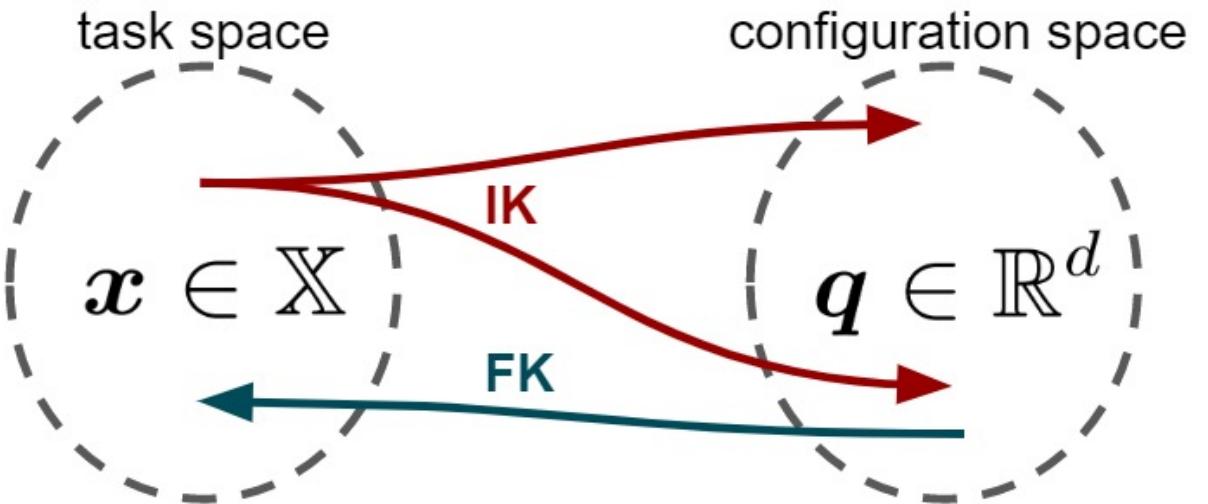
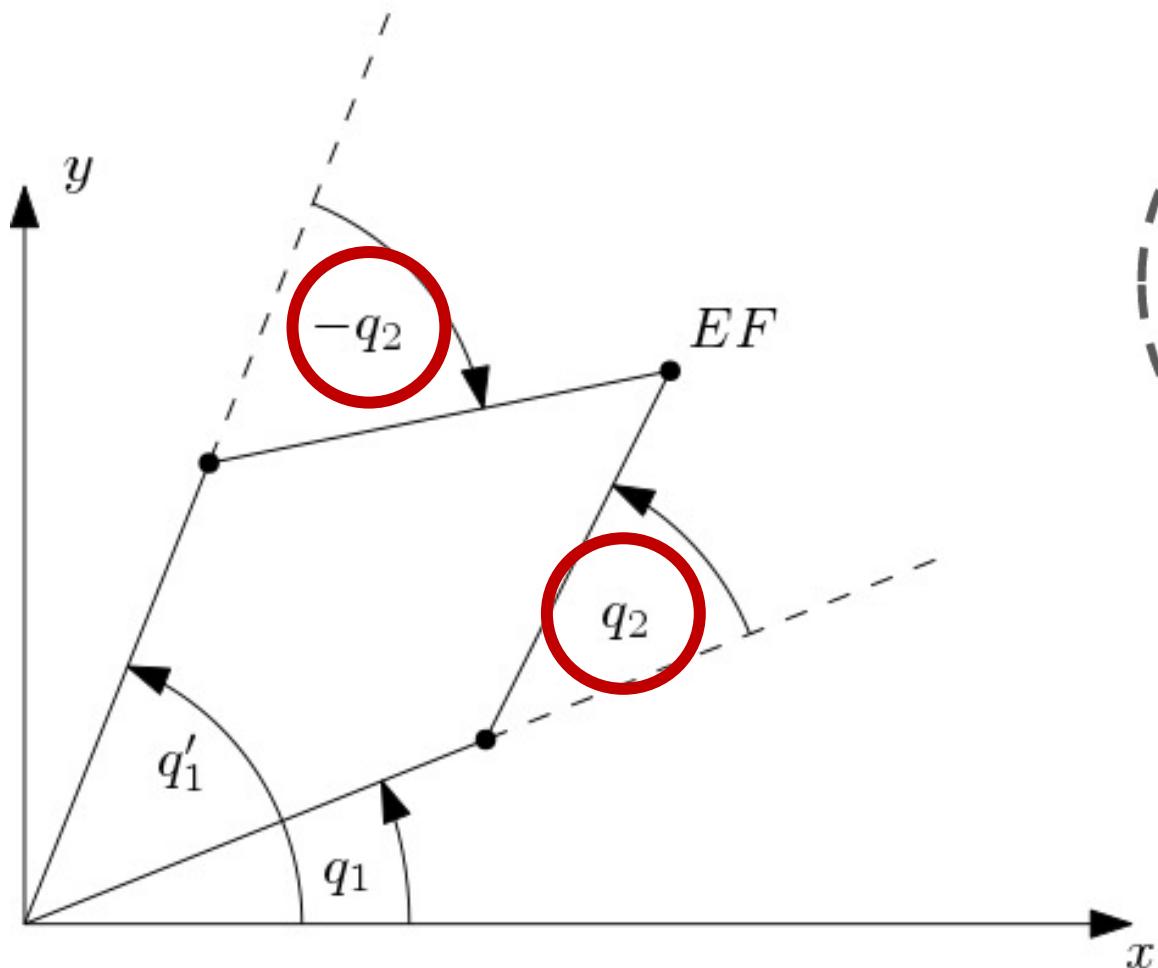
$$s_{12} = s_1c_2 - c_1s_2$$

$$c_1^2 + s_1^2 = 1$$



Redundant Inverse Kinematics

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Numeric Inverse Kinematics

- Given the forward kinematics

$$\mathbf{x} = f(\mathbf{q})$$

- Compute incremental updates

$$\mathbf{q}(t + 1) = \mathbf{q}(t) + \boxed{\eta \Delta \mathbf{q}}$$

- Via velocity kinematics

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{d}{dt} f(\mathbf{q})$$

step size



Newton's Inverse Kinematics

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- Solution

- Pseudo-Inverse

$$\Delta \mathbf{q} = (J^T J + \lambda I)^{-1} J^T \Delta \mathbf{x}$$

regularized pseudo inverse

Exercise: Newton's Inverse Kinematics

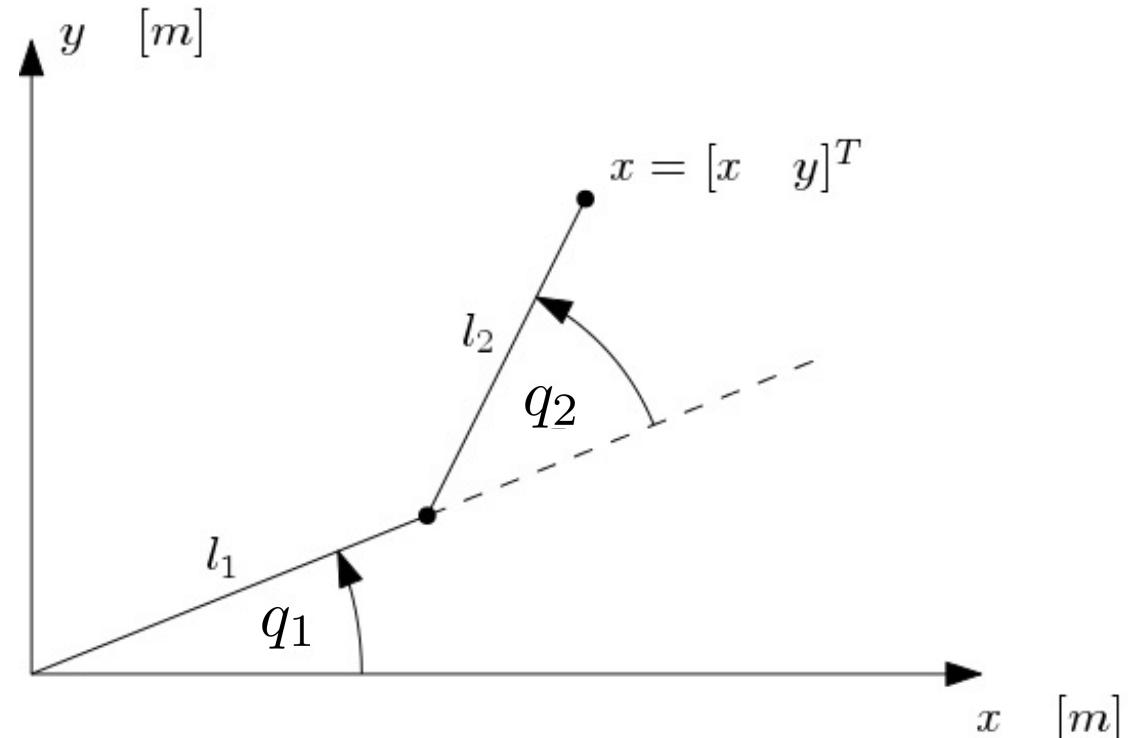
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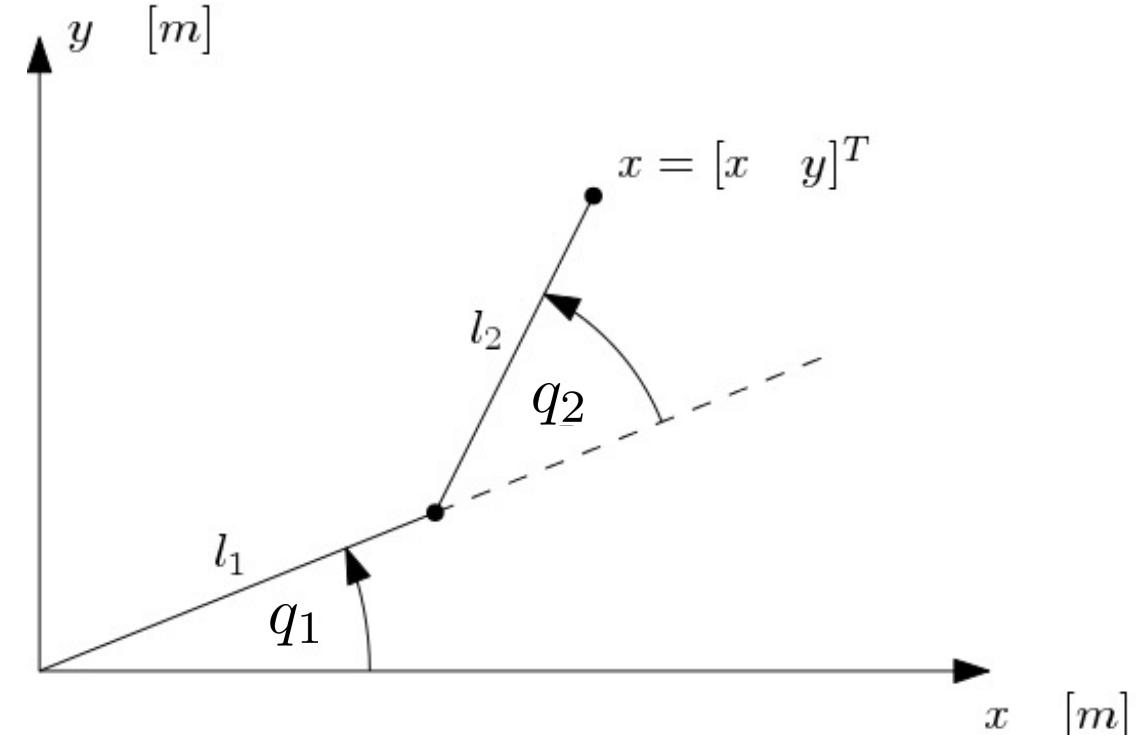
- Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 s_1 - l_2 s_{12} & -l_2 s_{12} \\ l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} & l_2 c_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_1 \\ \dot{q}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Algorithm:

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Newton's Inverse Kinematics: Incremental Algorithm

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depend by \mathbf{q}



Newton's Inverse Kinematics: Incremental Algorithm

- How to compute the Jacobian
 - Three revolute joints arm

$$J(\mathbf{q}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial q_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial q_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial q_3}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial q_1}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial q_2}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial q_3}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial q_1}{\partial \gamma} & \frac{\partial q_2}{\partial \gamma} & \frac{\partial q_3}{\partial \gamma} \end{bmatrix}$$



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The Jacobian matrix $J(\mathbf{q})$ is shown for a three-joint revolute arm. The columns represent the partial derivatives of the end-effector coordinates (x, y, z) and orientation parameters (α , β , γ) with respect to each joint angle (q_1 , q_2 , q_3). The rows are grouped by robot state: position (x, y, z) and orientation (α , β , γ). Red boxes highlight the first three rows, which correspond to the first three joints. A yellow bracket on the left indicates the "robot state".



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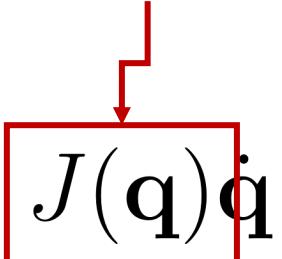
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- Inverse velocity kinematics

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = J^{-1}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{x}}$$

- Inverse control algorithm

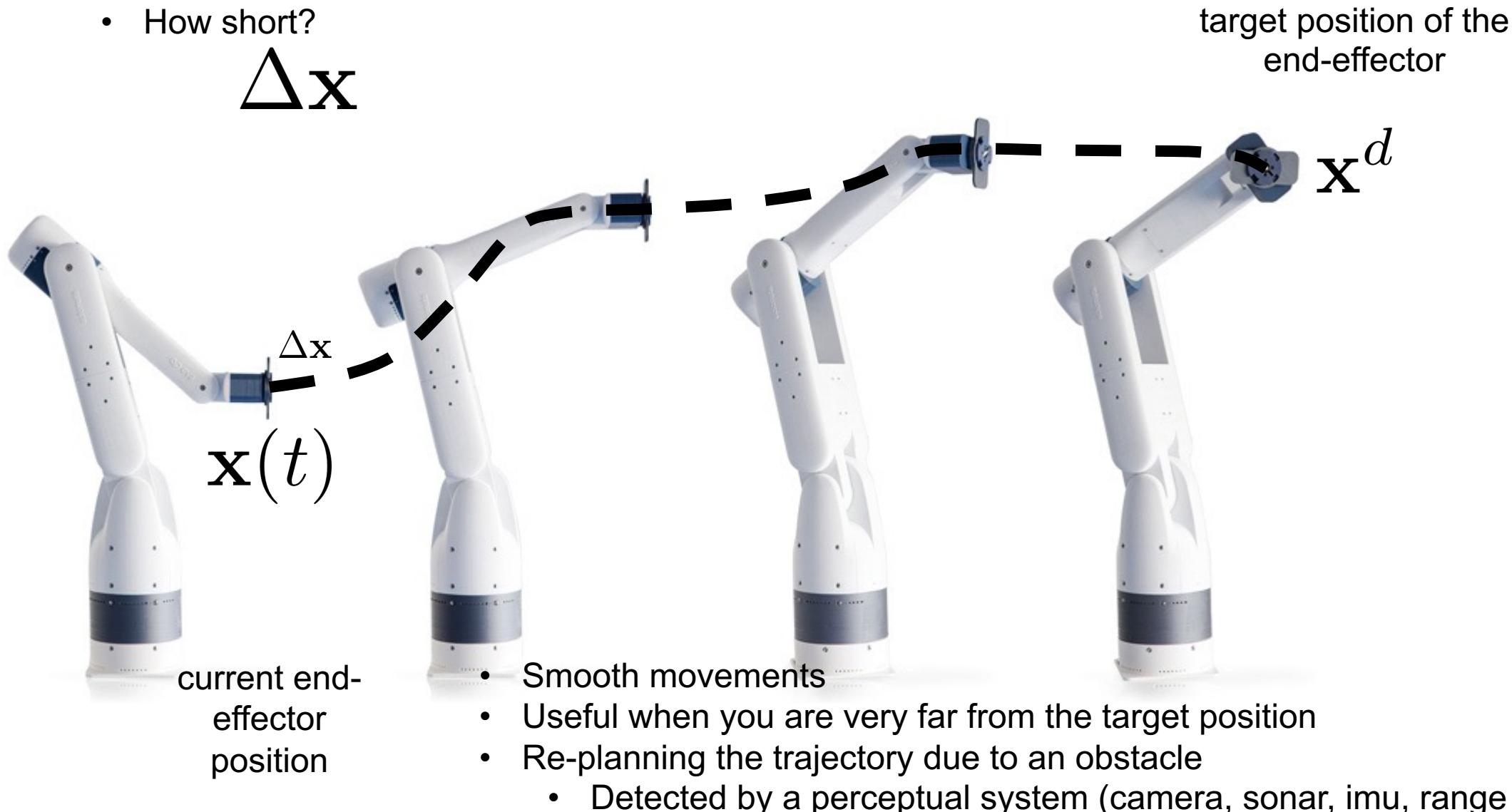
$$\Delta\mathbf{q} = J^{-1}\Delta\mathbf{x}$$



Incremental Algorithm: Basic Idea

- Short distance movements
 - How short?

$$\Delta x$$



Incremental Algorithm: Pseudo-code

while $\|\mathbf{x}^d - \mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 < \epsilon$ do

1. Compute the Jacobian $J(\mathbf{q}(t))$ given the configuration of the joints $\mathbf{q}(t)$ at time t
2. Compute the inverse $J^{-1}(\mathbf{q}(t))$ of the Jacobian

3. Compute

$$\Delta\mathbf{q}(t) = J^{-1}(\mathbf{q}(t))\Delta\mathbf{x}$$

with $\Delta\mathbf{x} = \|\mathbf{x}^d - \mathbf{x}(t)\|^2$

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4. Compute

$$\mathbf{q}(t + 1) = \mathbf{q}(t) + \eta\Delta\mathbf{q}$$

