

Pose Optimization for Force and Stiffness Control of a redundant Robot Arm

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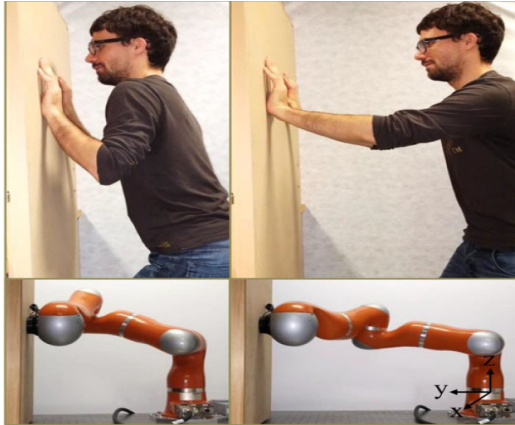
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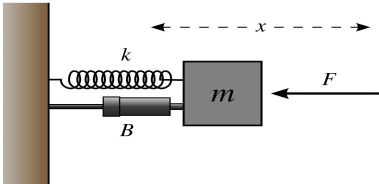
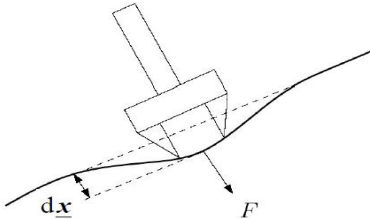
Introduction



Search Aim

For different arm configurations, the ability to maintain the stiffness are different.

Impedance Control



$$\underline{M_d} \ddot{\delta x} + \underline{K_d} \dot{\delta x} + \underline{K_p} \delta x = \underline{F_a}$$

$$\text{assume } \underline{M_d}, \underline{K_d} = 0$$

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$$\underline{F_a} = \underline{K_p} \delta x$$

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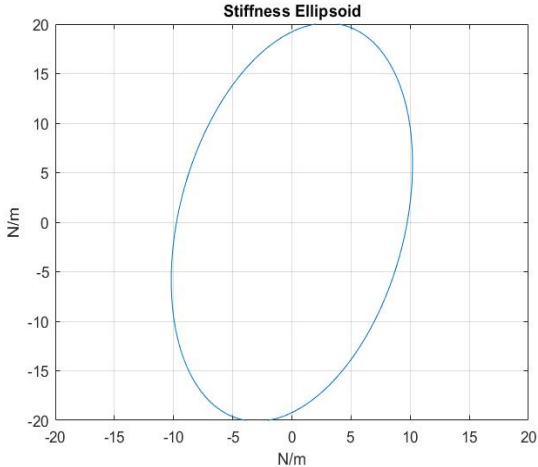
$$\underline{\tau} = \underline{J^T} \underline{F_a}$$

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$$\underline{\tau} = \underline{J^T} \underline{K_p} \delta x$$

$\underline{\tau}$ reflects the stiffness.

Stiffness Ellipsoid



$$\underline{F_a} = \underline{K_p} \underline{\delta x}$$

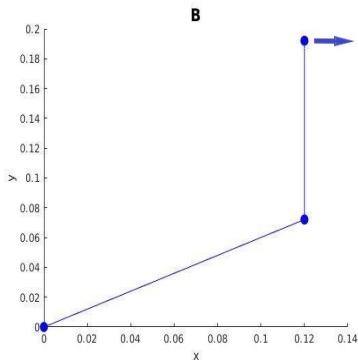
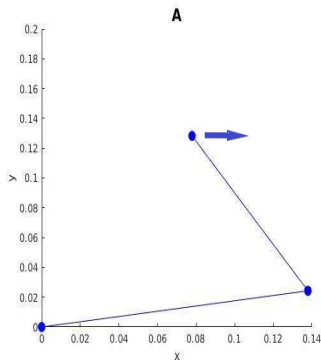
$\underline{\delta x}$: a unit cycle

$$\underline{K_p} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ kN/m}$$

No consideration about
torque limits and joint
configurations!

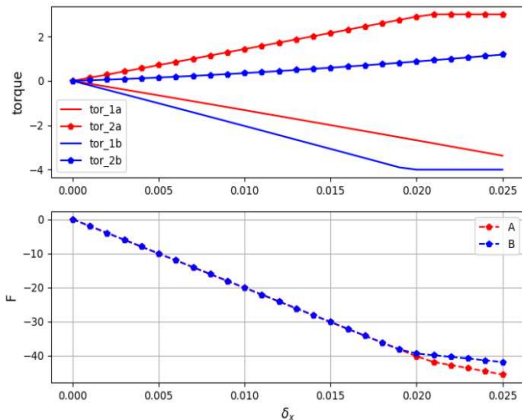
Relationship between Arm Configurations and Boundries(1)

Two Different Arm Configurations



Search Aim: Find the relationship between the e-e displacement and the torque of each joint.

Relationship between Arm Configurations and Boundries(2)



divide $e - e$ displacement

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$$\underline{F}_{des} = \underline{K}_p \delta \underline{x}$$

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$$\underline{\dot{q}} = \underline{J}^{-1} \delta \dot{\underline{x}}$$

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$$\underline{\tau}_{des} = \underline{J}^T \underline{F}_{des}$$

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$$|\underline{\tau}_{des}| \leq |\underline{\tau}_{lim}|$$

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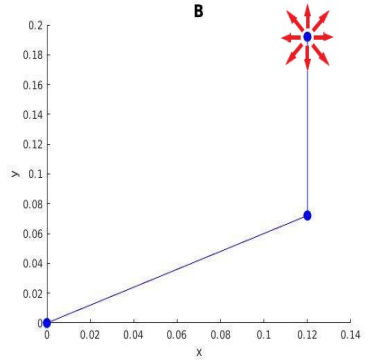
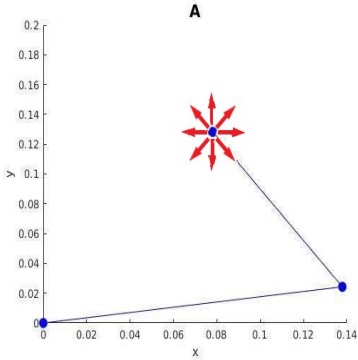
$$|\underline{\tau}_{real}|$$

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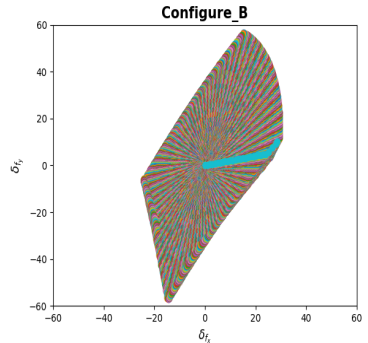
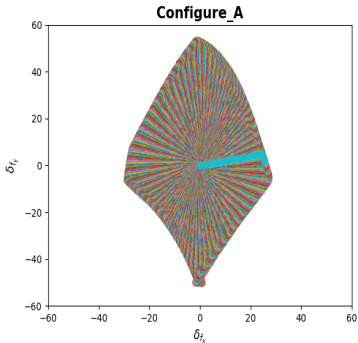
$$\underline{F}_{real} = (\underline{J}^T)^{-1} \underline{\tau}_{real}$$

For different configurations, the ability to maintain stiffness are different although they are under the same torque limit.

Apply in all Directions



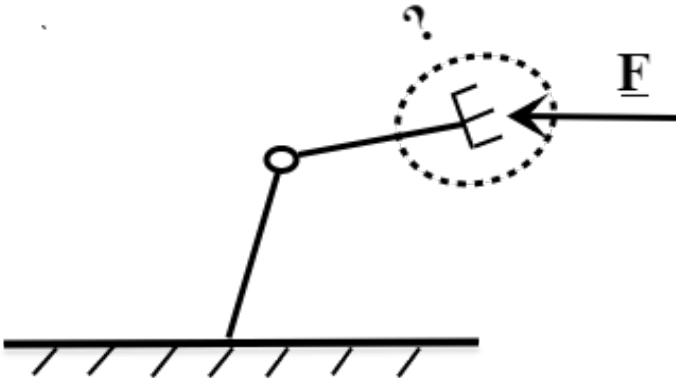
locus of $\| F \|$



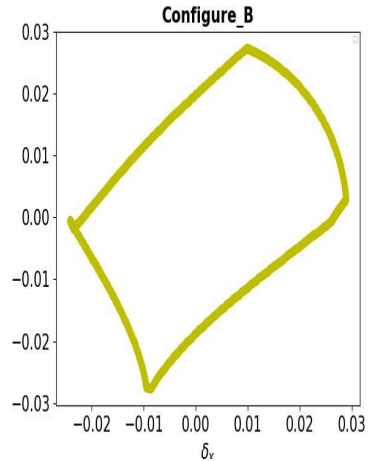
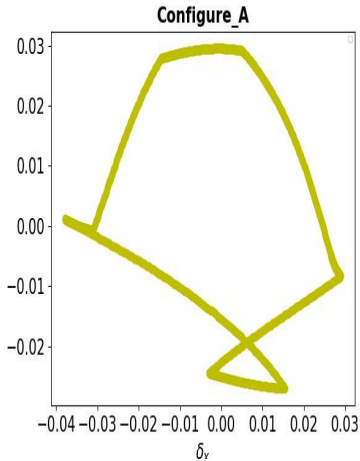
Comparison with Stiffness Matrix

Stiffness Ellipsoid cannot always be realized because of the torque limits.

Application of $\| F \parallel$



SFR(Stiffness Feasibility Region)(1)



$$\underline{x}_{real} = \underline{K}_p^{-1} \underline{F}_{real}$$

(1)

SFR(Stiffness Feasibility Regions)(2)

SFR Characteristics

- Jacobian matrix is updated with the growing displacement norm
- most accurate representation of feasible region
- expensive computation and not suitable for real-time applications.

Definition of SFP :

$$\delta \underline{x} \mid \|\hat{\tau}\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

Deduction :

$$\underline{W}_{\tau} = \text{diag}\left[\frac{1}{\tau_{lim_1}} \frac{1}{\tau_{lim_2}} \dots \frac{1}{\tau_{lim_n}}\right]$$

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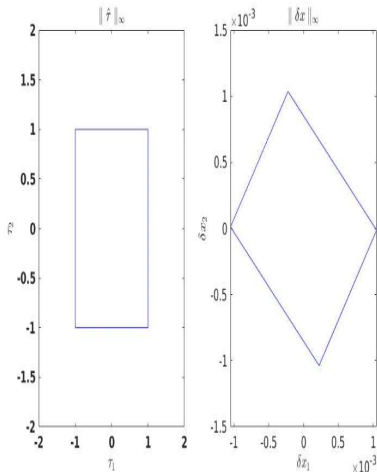
$$\hat{\tau} = \underline{W}_{\tau} \tau$$

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$$\|\hat{\tau}\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

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$$\left\| \underline{W}_{\tau} J(q)^T K \delta \underline{x} \right\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$



SFE

stiffness feasibility ellipsoid

Definition of SFE :

$$\delta \underline{x} \mid \|\hat{\underline{\tau}}\|_2 \leq 1$$

Deduction :

$$\underline{W}_\tau = \text{diag}\left[\frac{1}{\tau_{lim_1}} \frac{1}{\tau_{lim_2}} \dots \frac{1}{\tau_{lim_n}}\right]$$

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$$\hat{\underline{\tau}} = \underline{W}_\tau \underline{\tau}$$

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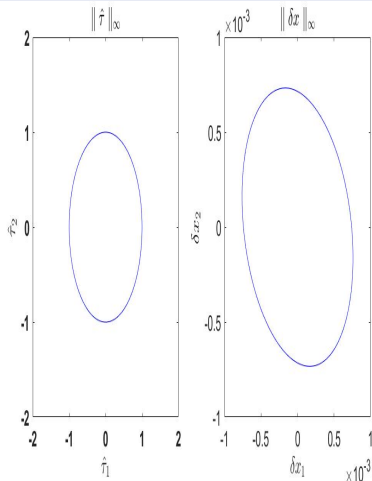
$$\|\hat{\underline{\tau}}\|_2 \leq 1$$

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$$\hat{\underline{\tau}}^T \hat{\underline{\tau}} \leq 1$$

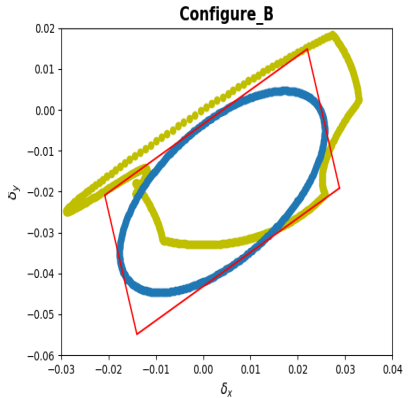
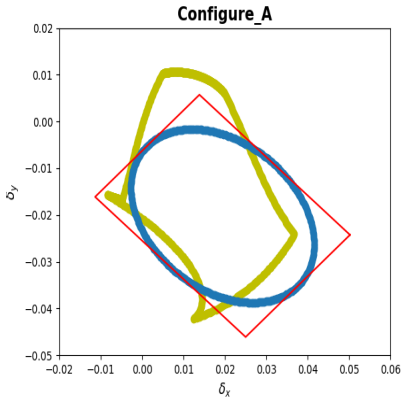
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$$\delta \underline{x}^T \underline{K}^T \underline{J}(q) \underline{W}_\tau^T \underline{W}_\tau \underline{J}(q)^T \underline{K} \delta \underline{x} \leq 1$$



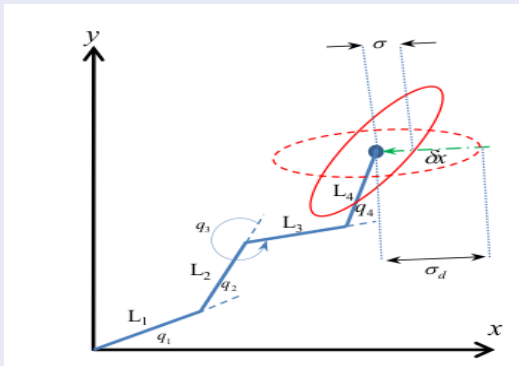
SFR,SFP,SFE Comparison

The yellow plots SFR and red plots SFP and blue plot SFE.



Pose Optimization for Force and Stiffness Control(1)

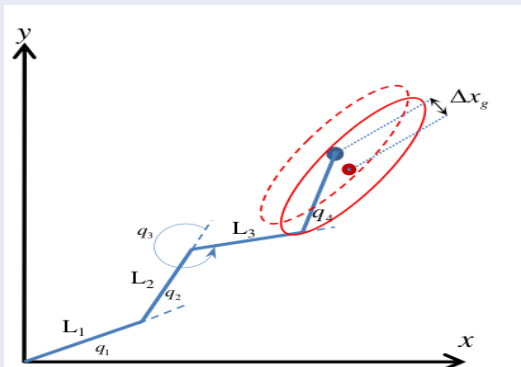
optimization objective(1): SFE Geometry



σ : the length in which the robot arm could maintain stiffness in certain direction. The aim is to try to enlarge this σ by changing configuration and rotating this ellipsoid.

Pose Optimization for Force and Stiffness Control(2)

optimization objective(2): Minimize Gravity Effect



The aim is to reduce the translation of the SFE due to gravity in the task space.

Pose Optimization for Force and Stiffness Control(3)

Build optimization problem

- Cost function for SFE Geometry:

$$\sigma^T \frac{\delta \underline{x}}{\|\delta \underline{x}\|}^T \underline{K}^T \underline{J}(q) \underline{W}_\tau^T \underline{W}_\tau \underline{J}(q)^T \underline{K} \frac{\delta \underline{x}}{\|\delta \underline{x}\|} \sigma = 1$$

$$V_1 = \frac{\delta \underline{x}^T}{\|\delta \underline{x}\|} \underline{K}_c \underline{J}(q) \underline{W}_\tau^2 \underline{J}(q)^T \underline{K}_c \frac{\delta \underline{x}}{\|\delta \underline{x}\|}$$

- Cost function for minimizing gravity effect:

$$\underline{G}_q = (\underline{J}^T)^{-1} \underline{\tau}_g \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta \underline{x}_g = \underline{K}_c^{-1} \underline{G}_q$$

$$V_2 = \Delta \underline{x}_g^T \Delta \underline{x}_g$$

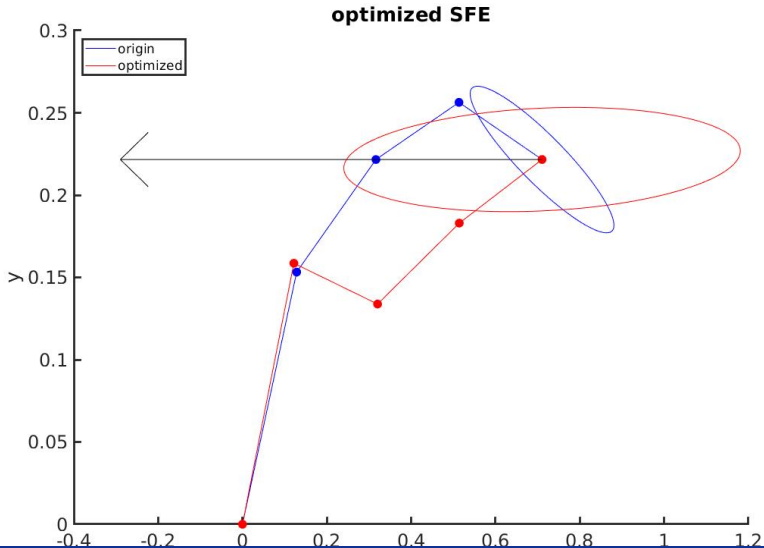
- Optimization problem:

$$\min_{\underline{q}} \quad V = \text{weightingfactor}_1 * V_1 + \text{weightingfactor}_2 * V_2,$$

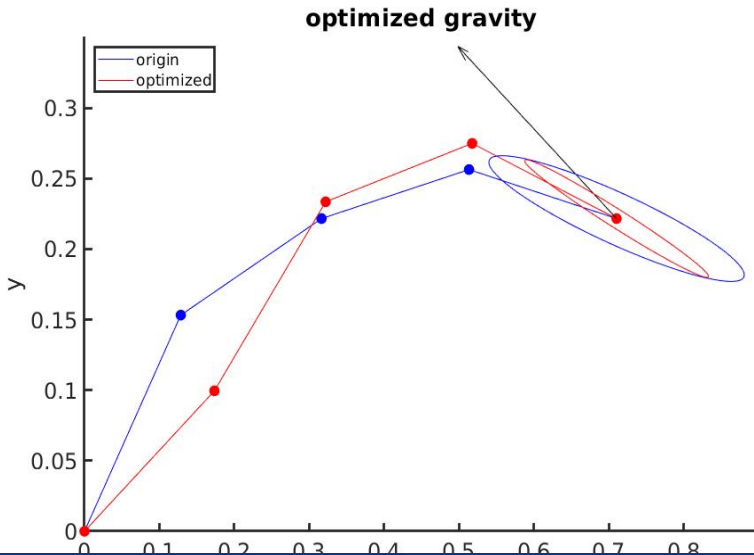
$$\text{s.t.} \quad \text{forwardKinematic}(\underline{q}) = \underline{X}_0,$$

$$\underline{q}_{min} < \underline{q} < \underline{q}_{max}.$$

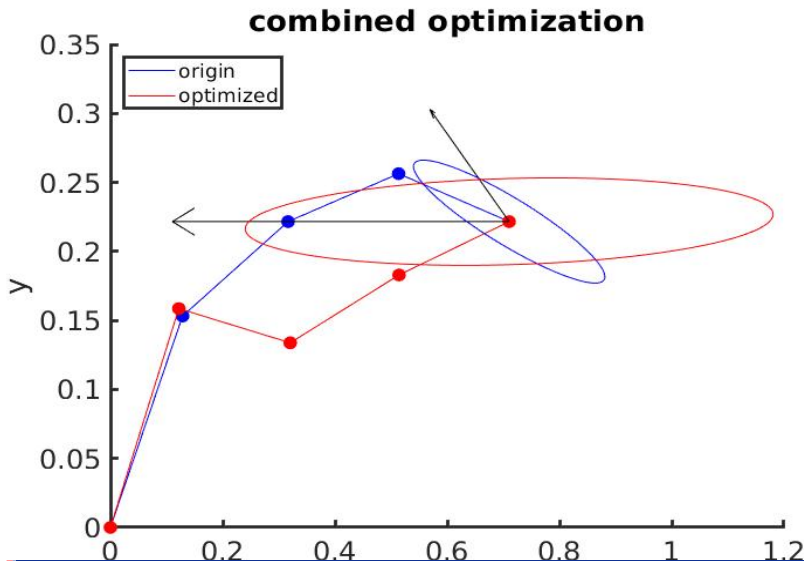
Result of Optimizing SFE geometry



Result of minimizing the gravity effect



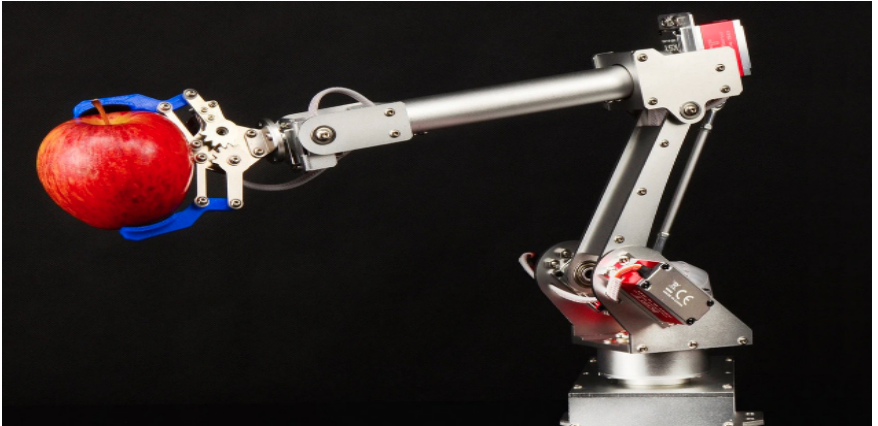
Result of Combined Optimization



Conclusion

- How large is the area that the robot could maintain stiffness , under the practical torque limitations and gravity effect?
- SFR and Explain the role of arm configuration for stiffness.
- SPE, SFP
- Pose Optimization for Stiffness Control and Minimizing the gravity effect for SFE.

Prospect



When the robot arm holding a stuff tracks trajectory, we could involve the maintaining stiffness ability in the cost function.

Thanks for listening!