

Robot kinematics

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1 Kinematic chain and homogeneous transformations

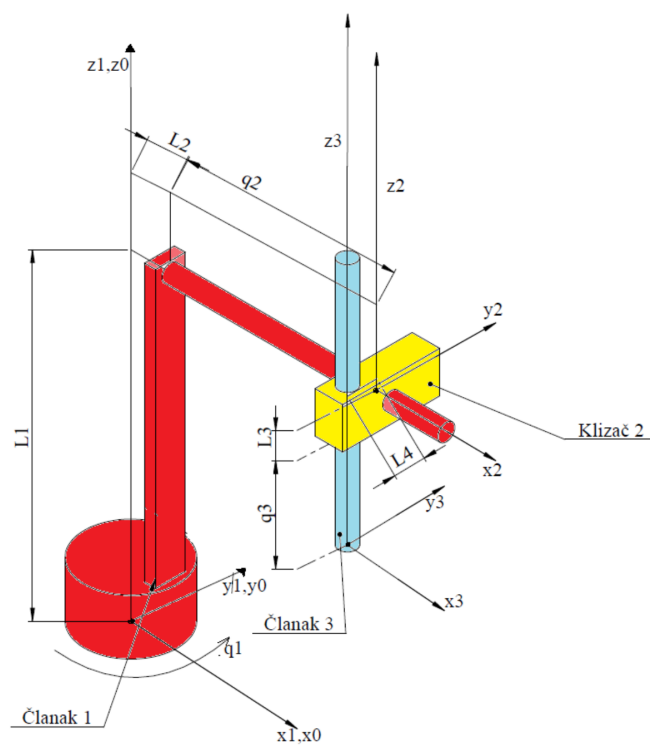


Figure 1: Schematic representation of robot¹

¹Tugomir Šurina, Mladen Crneković, (1990). *Industrijski roboti*. Zagreb : Školska knjiga

The homogeneous transformation matrix from coordinate system 1 to the base is given as:

$${}^0A_1 = \text{Rot}(z, q_1) = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

The transition matrix from the second to the first coordinate system is:

$$A_2 = \text{Tran}(L_2 + q_2, 0, L_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & L_2 + q_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & L_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

The transition matrix from the third to the second coordinate system is:

$$A_3 = \text{Tran}(0, -L_4, -(L_3 + q_3)) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -L_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -(L_3 + q_3) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

The notation for writing trigonometric functions is introduced:

$$s_1 = \sin(q_1), \quad c_1 = \cos(q_1) \quad (4)$$

Relative transformations are obtained by multiplying the basic homogeneous transformations; hence, the transformation from the first to the base coordinate system is equal to:

$${}^0T_1 = A_1 \quad (5)$$

The transformation from the second to the base coordinate system is obtained by multiplying the first two homogeneous transformations:

$${}^0T_2 = A_1 A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & c_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & s_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & L_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

The transformation from the third to the base coordinate system is obtained by multiplying the first three homogeneous transformations:

$${}^0T_3 = A_1 A_2 A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & s_1 L_4 + c_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & -c_1 L_4 + s_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -L_3 - q_3 + L_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

The meaning of the elements in the matrix 0T_3 is as follows:

$${}^0T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} n_x & o_x & a_x & p_x \\ n_y & o_y & a_y & p_y \\ n_z & o_z & a_z & p_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

By comparing expressions (1.8) and (1.7) we see that the vector of external coordinates for the given robot is:

$$\mathbf{r} = [p_x \quad p_y \quad p_z]^T \quad (9)$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} p_x &= s_1 L_4 + c_1 (L_2 + q_2) \\ p_y &= -c_1 L_4 + s_1 (L_2 + q_2) \\ p_z &= -L_3 - q_3 + L_1 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

With this, the direct kinematics problem is solved.

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syms q1 L1 L2 L4 q2 q3 real
syms c1 s1

c1 = cos(q1);
s1 = sin(q1);

A01 = [c1 -s1 0 0;
       s1 c1 0 0;
       0 0 1 0;
       0 0 0 1];
A12 = [1 0 0 L2 + q2;
       0 1 0 0;
       0 0 1 L1;
       0 0 0 1];
A23 = [1 0 0 L4;
       0 1 0 0;
       0 0 1 q3;
       0 0 0 1];

T02 = A01 * A12;
T03 = A01 * A12 * A23;

T03_simplified = simplify(T03);
disp('Transformation matrices');
pretty(T03_simplified);

% end-effector position vector as a function of joint variables
p = T03(1:3,4);

P_simplified = simplify(p);
disp('End-effector position vector');
pretty(P_simplified);
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Listing 1: MATLAB symbolic calculation of matrix multiplication

2 Jacobian Matrix

The Jacobian matrix J relates the velocity of the control vector in joint coordinates to the velocity in the external coordinates. The expression for calculating the Jacobian matrix is as follows:

$$J = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_3} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

The elements of the Jacobian matrix are thus:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{11} &= \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_1} = c_1 L_4 - s_1 (L_2 + q_2) \\ J_{12} &= \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_2} = c_1 \\ J_{13} &= \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial q_3} = 0 \\ J_{21} &= \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_1} = s_1 L_4 + c_1 (L_2 + q_2) \\ J_{22} &= \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_2} = s_1 \\ J_{23} &= \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial q_3} = 0 \\ J_{31} &= \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_1} = 0 \\ J_{32} &= \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_2} = 0 \\ J_{33} &= \frac{\partial p_z}{\partial q_3} = -1 \end{aligned}$$

By substituting expressions (1.12) into (1.11) we obtain the Jacobian matrix:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 L_4 - s_1 (L_2 + q_2) & c_1 & 0 \\ s_1 L_4 + c_1 (L_2 + q_2) & s_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

3 Robot dynamics

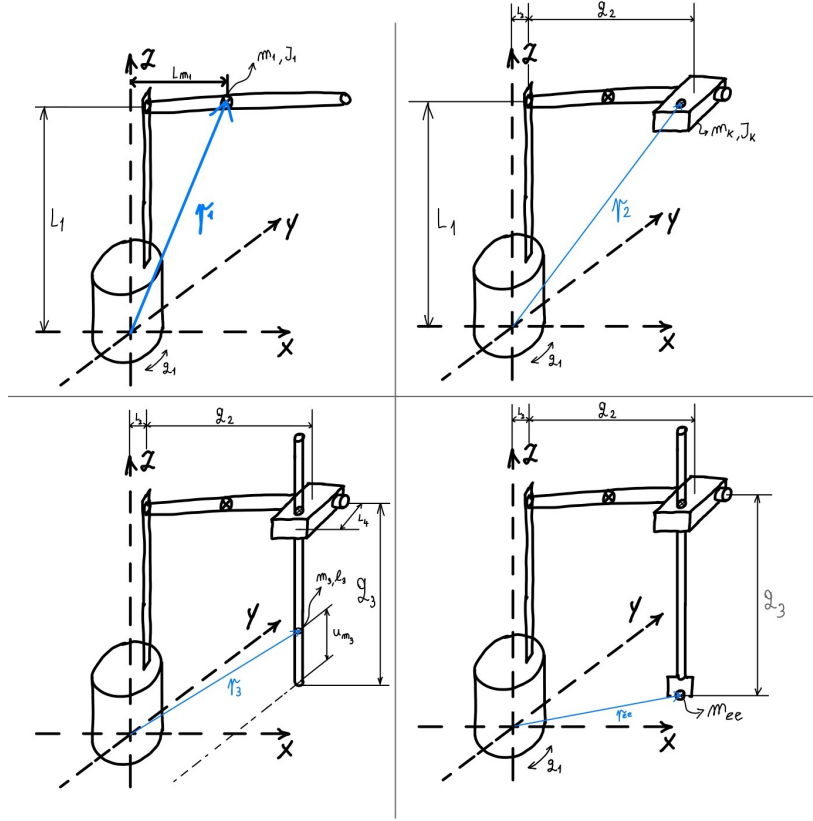


Figure 2: Position vectors of four bodies defined for dynamic analysis

3.1 First body

The position vector of the mass center for the first body consisting of cylinder and linear guide:

$$p_1 = {}^0T_1R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1(L_{m1}) \\ s_1(L_{m1}) \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

The velocity of the first body mass is:

$$v = (-s_1 \dot{q}_1 (L_{m1}))\mathbf{i} + (c_1 \dot{q}_1 (L_{m1}))\mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k} \quad (14)$$

The square of the velocity is then equal to:

$$v^2(u) = \dot{q}_1^2 L_{m1}^2 \quad (15)$$

Kinetic energy consist of two parts:

- Rotational of the cilinder

$$K_c = \frac{1}{2} J_c \dot{q}_1^2 \quad (16)$$

- Mass velocity

$$K_v = \frac{1}{2} m_v v^2(q_1) = \frac{1}{2} m_v \dot{q}_1^2 L_{m1}^2 \quad (17)$$

Kinetic energy of the first is then:

$$K_1 = \frac{1}{2} \dot{q}_1^2 (J_c + L_{m1}^2 m_v) = \frac{1}{2} \dot{q}_1^2 J_1 \quad (18)$$

Potential energy is:

$$P_1 = m_1 g L_1 \quad (19)$$

As potential energy is not dependent on the first revolute joint only torque dynamics comes from kinetic energy of the rotational mass:

$$T_{11} = J_1 \ddot{q}_1 \quad (20)$$

3.2 Second body

The position vector of slider (CoM):

$$p_2 = {}^0T_2R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ s_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ L_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (21)$$

The velocity of the mass is:

$$v_2 = (\dot{q}_1 - s_{q_1}(L_2 + q_2))i + (\dot{q}_2 + s_{q_1}(L_2 + q_2))j + 0k \quad (22)$$

The square of the velocity is then equal to:

$$v_2^2 = \dot{q}_1^2 + \dot{q}_2^2(L_2 + q_2)^2 \quad (23)$$

Kinetic energy is:

$$K_2 = \frac{1}{2}m_k(\dot{q}_1^2 + \dot{q}_2^2(L_2 + q_2)^2) \quad (24)$$

Potential energy is:

$$P_2 = m_k g L_1 \quad (25)$$

From two equations defining lagrangian mechanics:

$$L(q, \dot{q}) = K - P \quad (26)$$

$$\tau_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \quad (27)$$

The torque in the first controlled coordinate for slider displacement is:

$$\tau_{12} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_2}{\partial \dot{q}_1} \right) - \frac{\partial K_2}{\partial q_1} - \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial q_1} \quad (28)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (m_k(L_2 + q_2)\dot{q}_1) \quad (29)$$

$$= m_k(L_2 + q_2)\ddot{q}_1 + 2m_k(L_2 + q_2)\dot{q}_1\dot{q}_2 \quad (30)$$

The torque in the second controlled coordinate for slider displacement is:

$$\tau_{22} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_2}{\partial \dot{q}_2} \right) - \frac{\partial K_2}{\partial q_2} - \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial q_2} \quad (31)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (-m_k\dot{q}_2) - m_k\dot{q}_1^2(L_2 + q_2) \quad (32)$$

$$= m_k\ddot{q}_2 - m_k\dot{q}_1^2(L_2 + q_2) \quad (33)$$

3.3 Third body

The third position vector is defined as:

$$\mathbf{p}_3^0 = {}^0\mathbf{T}_3 R_3 = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 L_4 + c_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ -c_1 L_4 + s_1(L_2 + q_2) \\ u_{m3} + L_1 - q_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (34)$$

The velocity is time derivative of position vector:

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = (c_1 \dot{q}_4 L_4 + c_1 \dot{q}_2 - s_1 \dot{q}_1 (L_2 + q_2)) \mathbf{i} + (s_1 \dot{q}_4 L_4 + s_1 \dot{q}_2 + c_1 \dot{q}_1 (L_2 + q_2)) \mathbf{j} - \dot{q}_3 \mathbf{k} \quad (35)$$

Then the square of the velocity is:

$$v_3^2 = \dot{q}_3^2 + \dot{q}_2^2 + \dot{q}_1^2 (L_2 + q_2)^2 + \dot{q}_4^2 L_4^2 + 2 \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 L_4 \quad (36)$$

Kinetic energy of the third body is then defined as:

$$K_3 = \frac{1}{2} m_3 (\dot{q}_3^2 + \dot{q}_2^2 + \dot{q}_1^2 (L_4 + q_2)^2 + \dot{q}_4^2 L_4^2 + 2 \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 L_4) \quad (37)$$

Potential energy:

$$P_3 = m_3 g \left(\frac{1}{2} l_3 + L_1 - q_3 \right) \quad (38)$$

Torques in controlled coordinates are then:

$$\tau_{13} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_3}{\partial \dot{q}_1} \right) - \frac{\partial K_3}{\partial q_1} - \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial q_1} \quad (39)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (m_3 (L_4 + q_2)^2 \dot{q}_1 + m_3 \dot{q}_2 L_4) \quad (40)$$

$$= m_3 ((L_4 + q_2)^2 + L_4^2) \ddot{q}_1 + 2 m_3 (L_4 + q_2) \dot{q}_2 \dot{q}_1 + m_3 \ddot{q}_2 L_4 \quad (41)$$

$$\tau_{23} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_3}{\partial \dot{q}_2} \right) - \frac{\partial K_3}{\partial q_2} - \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial q_2} \quad (42)$$

$$= m_3 \ddot{q}_2 - m_3 \dot{q}_1^2 (L_4 + q_2) + m_3 \ddot{q}_1 L_4 \quad (43)$$

$$\tau_{33} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_3}{\partial \dot{q}_3} \right) - \frac{\partial K_3}{\partial q_3} - \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial q_3} \quad (44)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (m_3 \dot{q}_3) + m_3 g = m_3 \ddot{q}_3 + m_3 g \quad (45)$$

3.4 End-effector

The end-effector position vector is defined as:

$$\mathbf{p}_{ee}^0 = {}^0\mathbf{T}_3 R_{ee} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 L_4 + c_1 (L_2 + q_2) \\ -c_1 L_4 + s_1 (L_2 + q_2) \\ L_1 - q_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (46)$$

The velocity is the same as for third body:

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = (c_1 \dot{q}_4 L_4 + c_1 \dot{q}_2 - s_1 \dot{q}_1 (L_2 + q_2)) \mathbf{i} + (s_1 \dot{q}_1 L_4 + s_1 \dot{q}_2 + c_1 \dot{q}_1 (L_2 + q_2)) \mathbf{j} - \dot{q}_3 \mathbf{k} \quad (47)$$

Then the square of the velocity is:

$$v_3^2 = \dot{q}_3^2 + \dot{q}_2^2 + \dot{q}_1^2 (L_2 + q_2)^2 + \dot{q}_4^2 L_4^2 + 2 \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 L_4 \quad (48)$$

Kinetic energy is defined similar as third body but the mass it is used is from end-effector:

$$K_{ee} = \frac{1}{2} m_{ee} (\dot{q}_3^2 + \dot{q}_2^2 + \dot{q}_1^2 (L_2 + q_2)^2 + \dot{q}_4^2 L_4^2 + 2 \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 L_4) \quad (49)$$

Potential energy:

$$P_3 = m_3 g (L_1 - q_3) \quad (50)$$

$$\tau_{1ee} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_{ee}}{\partial \dot{q}_1} \right) - \frac{\partial K_{ee}}{\partial q_1} - \frac{\partial P_{ee}}{\partial q_1} \quad (51)$$

$$= m_{ee} ((L_2 + q_2)^2 + L_2^2) \ddot{q}_1 + 2 m_{ee} (L_2 + q_2) \dot{q}_2 \dot{q}_1 + m_{ee} \ddot{q}_2 L_2 \quad (52)$$

$$\tau_{2ee} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_{ee}}{\partial \dot{q}_2} \right) - \frac{\partial K_{ee}}{\partial q_2} - \frac{\partial P_{ee}}{\partial q_2} \quad (53)$$

$$= m_{ee} \ddot{q}_2 - m_{ee} \dot{q}_1^2 (L_2 + q_2) + m_{ee} \ddot{q}_1 L_4 \quad (54)$$

$$\tau_{3ee} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial K_{ee}}{\partial \dot{q}_3} \right) - \frac{\partial K_{ee}}{\partial q_3} - \frac{\partial P_{ee}}{\partial q_3} \quad (55)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (m_{ee} q_3) + m_{ee} g = m_{ee} \ddot{q}_3 + m_{ee} g \quad (56)$$

4 Dynamics

Combining derived equations for torques on every joint depending on body which is in motion we can represent robot dynamics in general form:

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})\ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C}(\dot{\mathbf{q}}, \ddot{\mathbf{q}}) + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{q}) = \boldsymbol{\tau} \quad (57)$$

Added torques together for every joint separately are:

$$\tau_1 = (J_1 + (m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})((L_2 + q_2)^2 + L_2^2))\ddot{q}_1 + 2(m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})L_2(L_2 + q_2)\dot{q}_1\dot{q}_2 + (m_{ee} + m_3)\ddot{q}_2L_2 \quad (58)$$

$$\tau_2 = (m_k + m_3 + m_p)\ddot{q}_2 = (m_k + m_3 + m_p)\dot{q}_1^2(L_2 + q_2) + (m_p + m_3)q_1\ddot{L}_4 \quad (59)$$

$$\tau_3 = (m_3 + m_{ee})\ddot{q}_3 + (m_3 + m_{ee})g \quad (60)$$

Expanding the equation (57) for general robot dynamics we can defines parts of the matrices from the torques parts of the every joint (58)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H_1 \\ H_2 \\ H_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \\ C_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & M_{13} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} & M_{23} \\ M_{31} & M_{32} & M_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q}_1 \\ \ddot{q}_2 \\ \ddot{q}_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (61)$$

Now we can specify each member of the matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 &= 0 & C_1 &= 2(m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})(L_2 + q_2)\dot{q}_1\dot{q}_2 \\ H_2 &= 0 & C_2 &= -(m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})\dot{q}_1^2(L_2 + q_2) \\ H_3 &= (m_1 + m_{ee})g & C_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Mass matrix is then:

$$\begin{aligned} M_{11} &= J_1 + (m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})(L_2 + q_2)^2 & M_{12} &= (m_3 + m_{ee})L_4 & M_{13} &= 0 \\ M_{21} &= (m_3 + m_{ee})L_4 & M_{22} &= m_k + m_3 + m_{ee} & M_{23} &= 0 \\ M_{31} &= 0 & M_{23} &= 0 & M_{33} &= m_3 + m_{ee} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ (m_1 + m_{ee})g \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2(m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})(L_2 + q_2)\dot{q}_1\dot{q}_2 \\ -(m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})\dot{q}_1^2(L_2 + q_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} J_1 + (m_k + m_3 + m_{ee})(L_2 + q_2)^2 & (m_3 + m_{ee})L_4 & 0 \\ (m_3 + m_{ee})L_4 & m_k + m_3 + m_{ee} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 + m_{ee} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q}_1 \\ \ddot{q}_2 \\ \ddot{q}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$