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Robotics – Planning and Motion

Manipulator Kinematics

COMP52815

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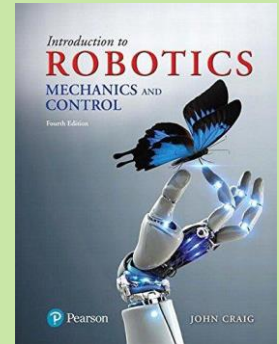
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Lecture 5: Learning Objectives

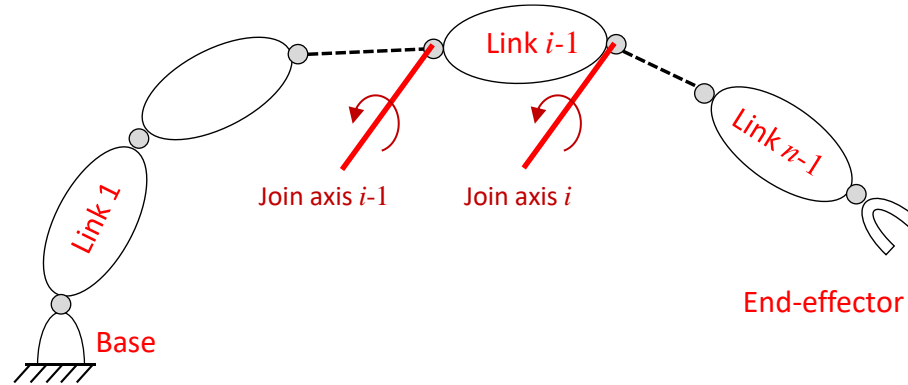
The aim of this lecture is to build a model which will lead to the kinematics.

- Objectives
 - Link Description
 - Denavit-Hartenberg (D-H parameters)
 - Manipulator Kinematics
- John J. Craig, “Introduction to Robotics- Mechanics & Control”, 3rd Edition, *Pearson Education International*, 2005, C3, p.62

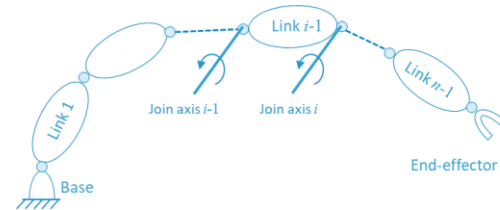
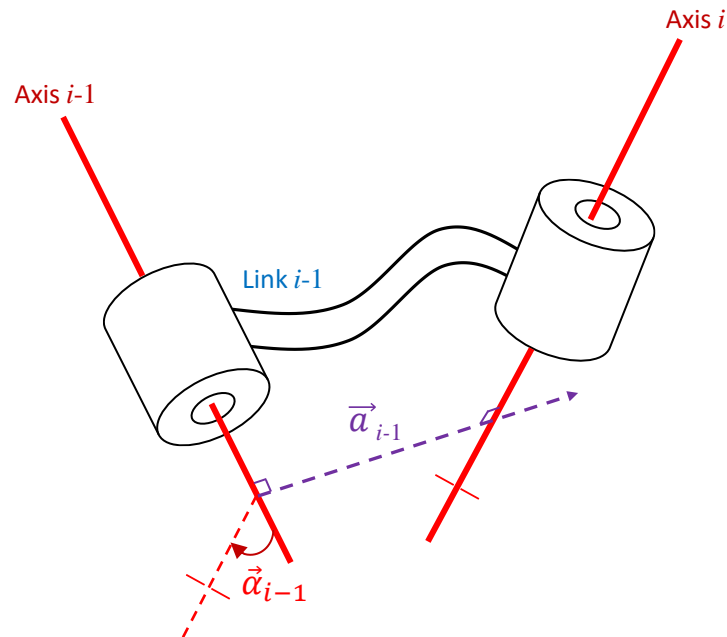


Link Description

- Manipulator:



Link Description

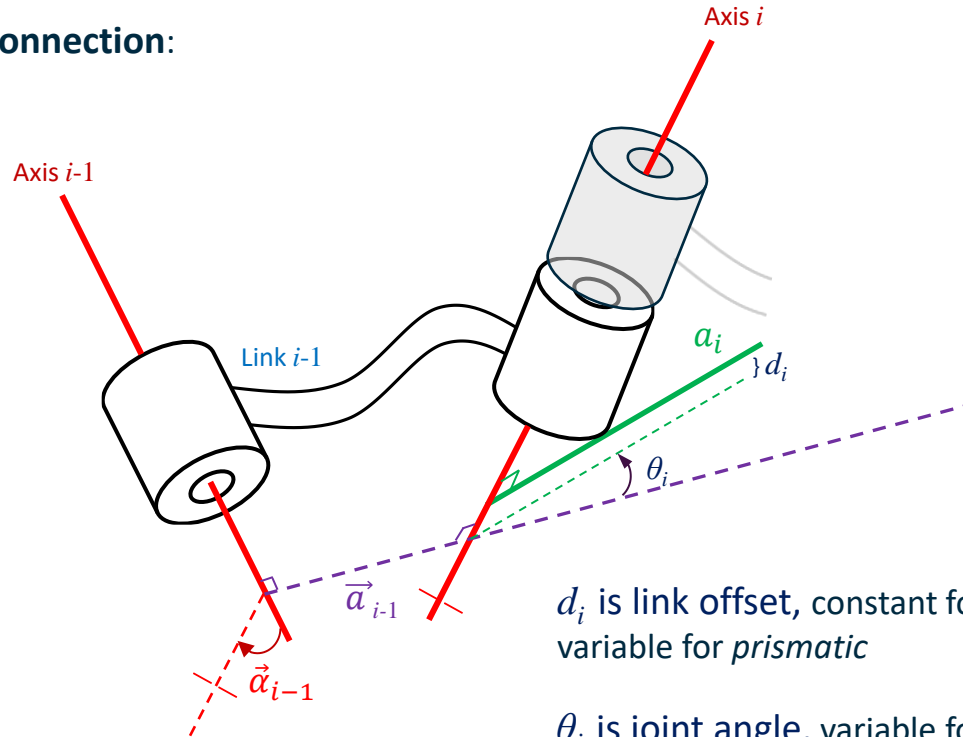


\vec{a}_{i-1} : Link Length – mutual perpendicular

$\vec{\alpha}_{i-1}$: Link Twist – angle between axes i and $i-1$

Link Description

Link Connection:



d_i is link offset, constant for *revolving* joint and variable for *prismatic*

θ_i is joint angle, variable for *revolving* joint and constant for *prismatic*

Link Description

First and last links:

a_i and α_i depend on joint axes i and $i+1$

Axes 1 to n :

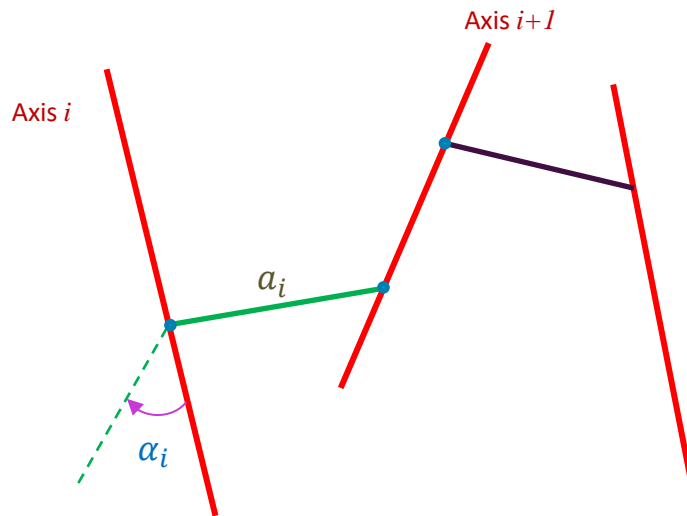
a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}

and,

$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}$

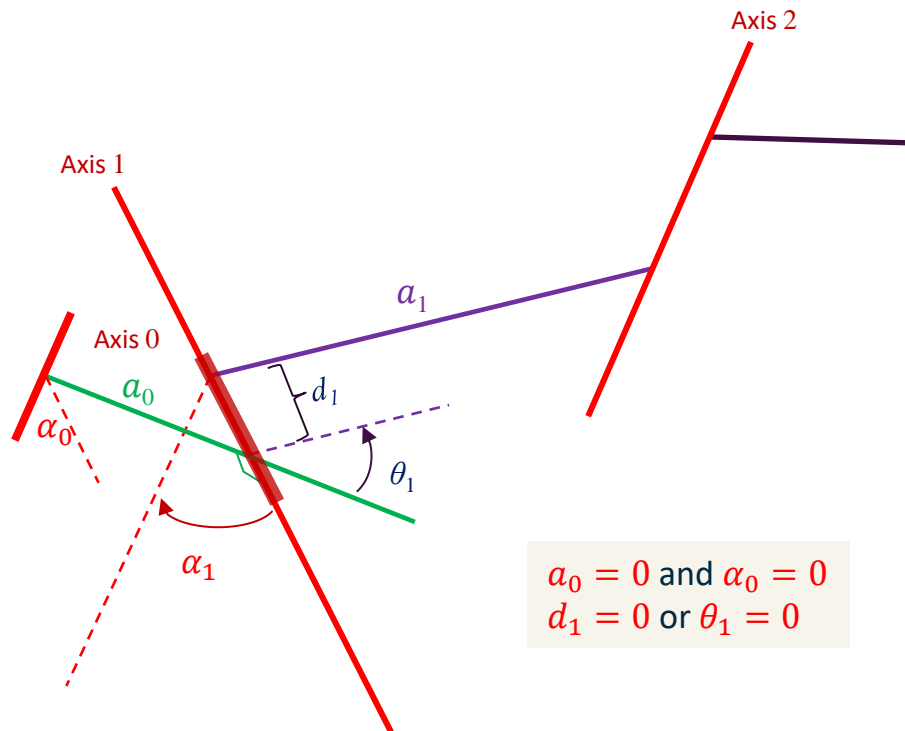
Convention:

$$a_0 = a_n = 0 \text{ and } \alpha_0 = \alpha_n = 0$$



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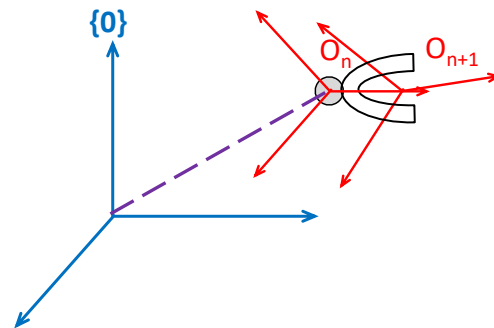
First link:



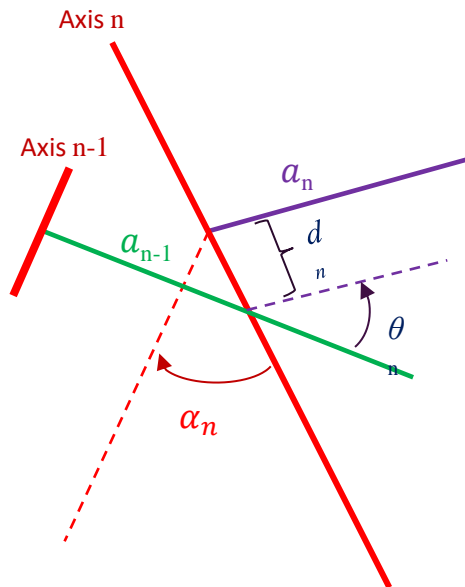
$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= 0 \text{ and } \alpha_0 = 0 \\ d_1 &= 0 \text{ or } \theta_1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Link Description

End-effector frame:



Last link:



$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= 0, \alpha_n = 0 \\ d_n &= 0, \theta_n = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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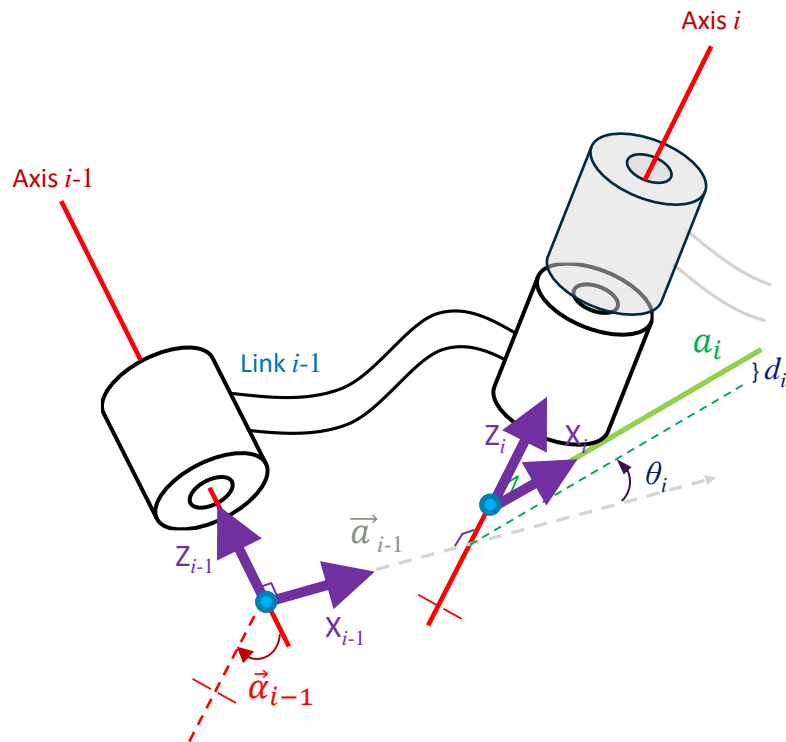
Denavit-Hartenberg (D-H) Parameters:

Four D-H parameters are $(\alpha_i, a_i, d_i, \theta_i)$

- Three fixed link parameters and
- One joint variable: $\begin{cases} \theta_i & \text{Revolute joint} \\ d_i & \text{Prismatic joint} \end{cases}$
- α_i and a_i describe the link i
- d_i and θ_i describe connection between the links

Link Description

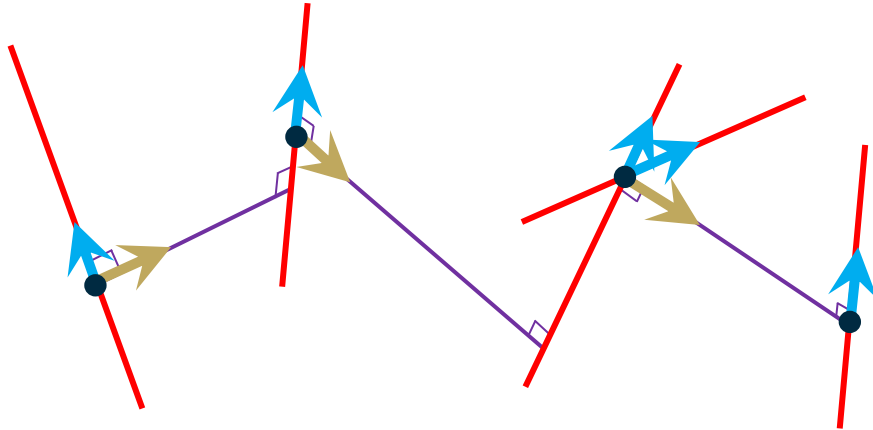
Frame attachment :



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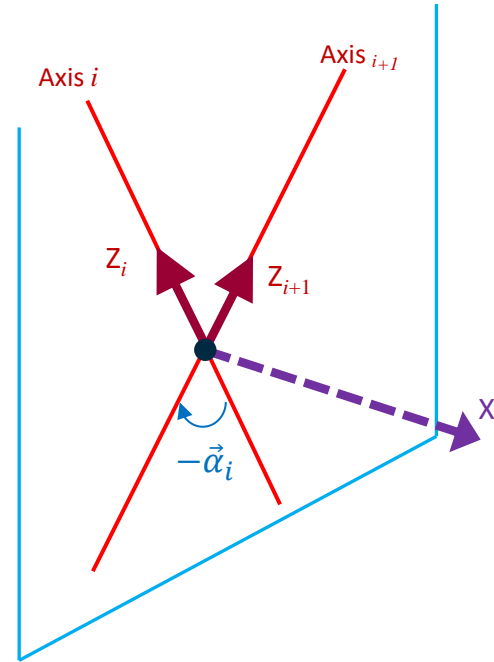
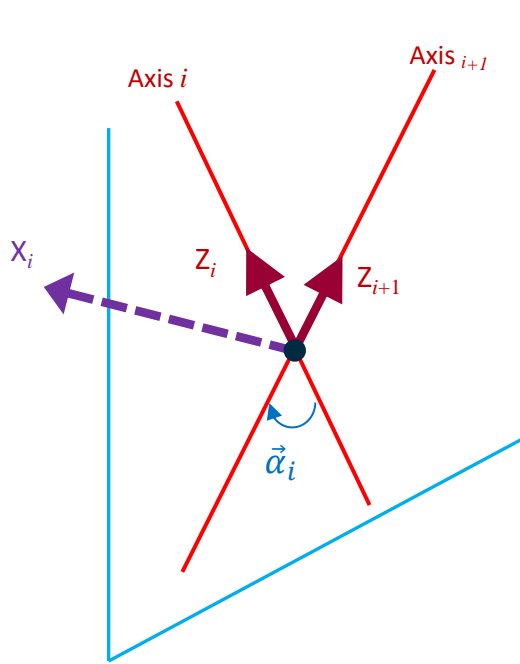
Frame attachment:

1. Common Normals
2. Origins
3. Z-axis
4. X-axis



Link Description

Intersecting Joint Axes:



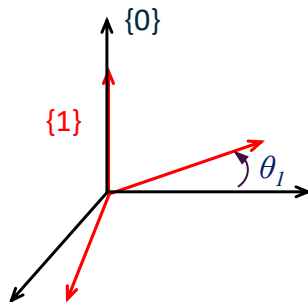
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Example, First Link:

Revolute:

$$z_0 = z_1$$

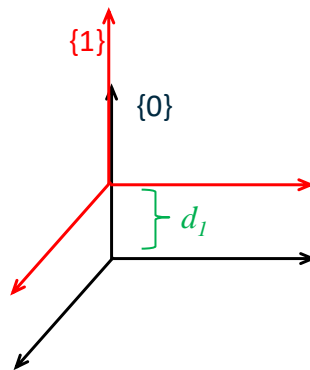
- Set: $a_0=0$, $\alpha_0=0$, $d_1=0$
- θ_1 is variable



Prismatic:

$$z_0 = z_1$$

- Set: $a_0=0$, $\alpha_0=0$, $\theta_1=0$
- d_1 is variable

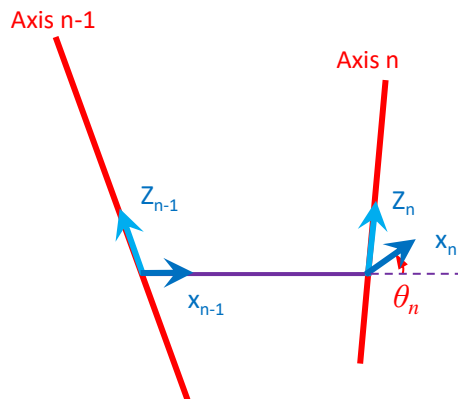


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Example, Last Link:

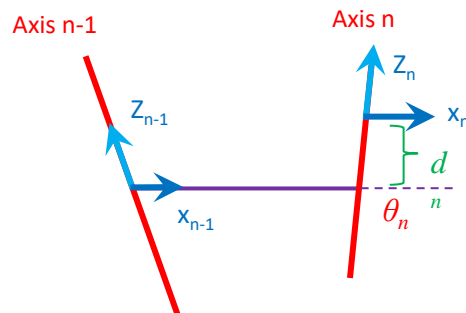
Revolute:

- Set: $d_n = 0$
- θ_n is variable



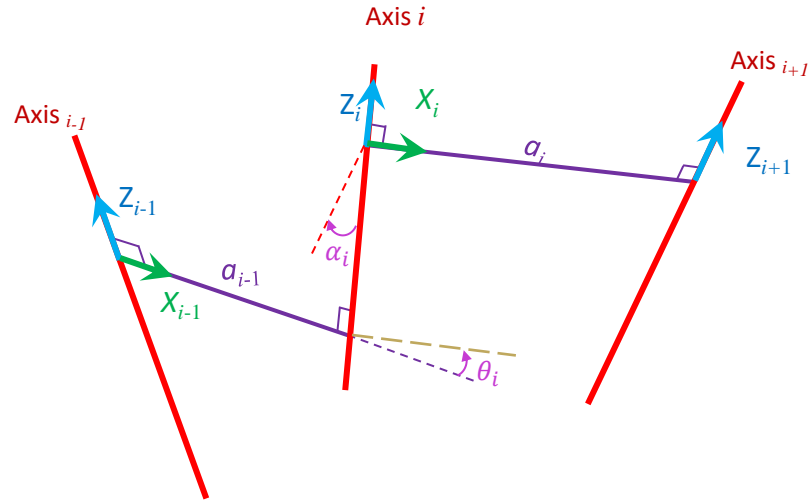
Prismatic:

- Set: $\theta_n = 0$
- d_n is variable



Link Description

Summary:



α_i : angle between z_i and z_{i+1} about x_i

a_i : distance between z_i and z_{i+1} along x_i

d_i : distance between x_{i-1} and x_i along z_i

θ_i : angle between x_{i-1} and x_i about z_i

Link Description

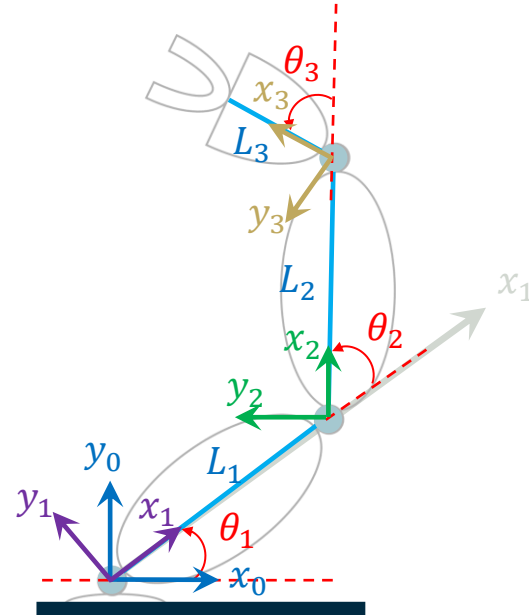
Example, RRR manipulator:

- Z axes
- X and Y axes
- D-H parameters:

i	α_{i-1}	a_{i-1}	d_i	θ_i
1	0	0	0	θ_1
2	0	L_1	0	θ_2
3	0	L_2	0	θ_3

D-H parameter:

- α_i : angle between z_i and z_{i+1} about x_i
- a_i : distance between z_i and z_{i+1} along x_i
- d_i : distance between x_{i-1} and x_i along z_i
- θ_i : angle between x_{i-1} and x_i about z_i



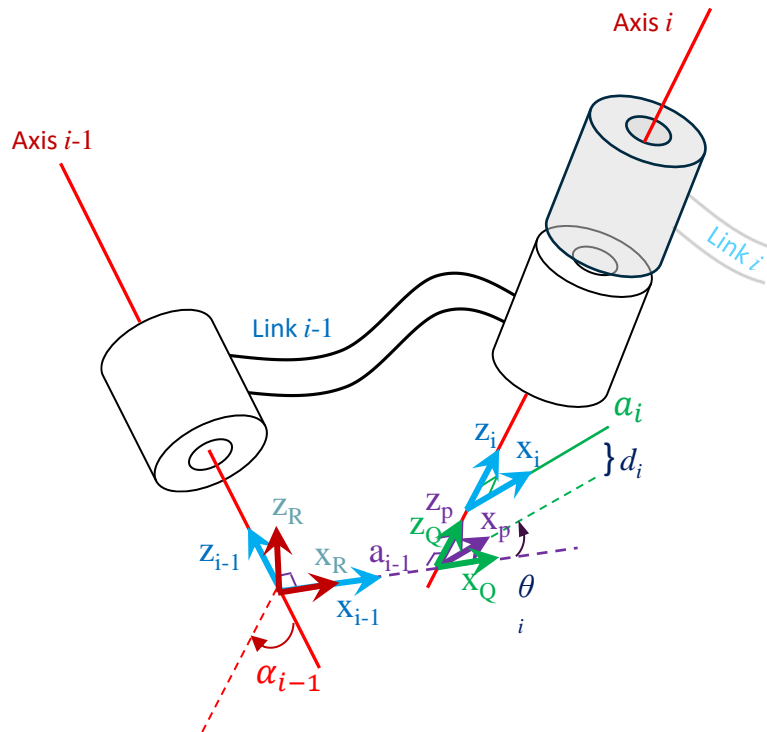
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Forward Kinematics:

$${}^{i-1}_i T = {}^{i-1}_R T \quad {}^R_Q T \quad {}^Q_P T \quad {}^P_i T$$

$${}^{i-1}_i T(\alpha_{i-1}, a_{i-1}, \theta_i, d_i) = R_X(\alpha_{i-1})D_X(a_{i-1})R_Z(\theta_i)D_Z(d_i)$$

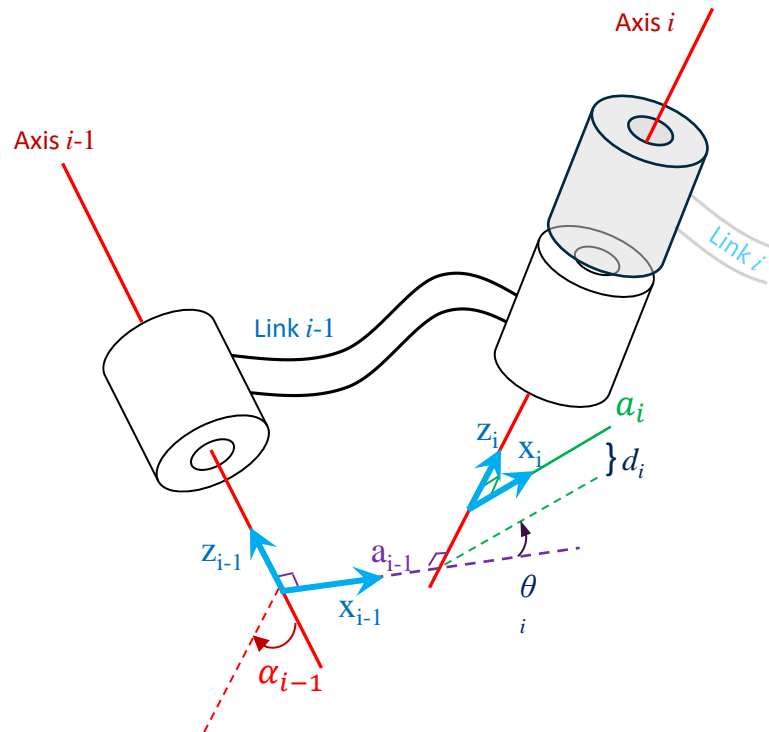
$${}^{i-1}_i T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_i & -s\theta_i & 0 & a_{i-1} \\ s\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ s\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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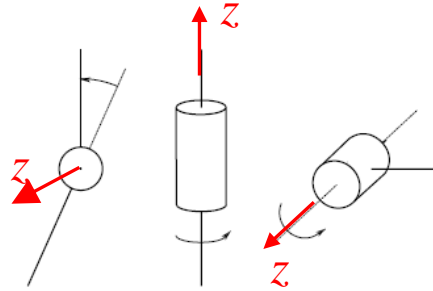
Forward Kinematics:

$${}^0_N T = {}^0_1 T {}^1_2 T \dots {}^{N-1}_N T$$

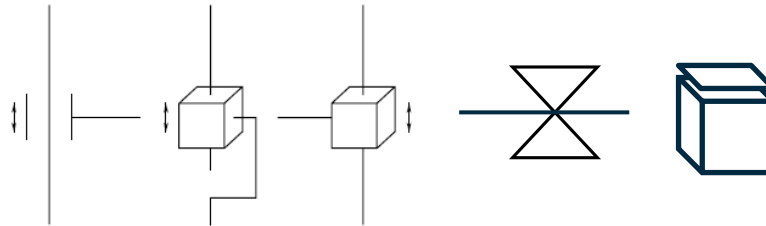


Symbols:

Revolute Joints:

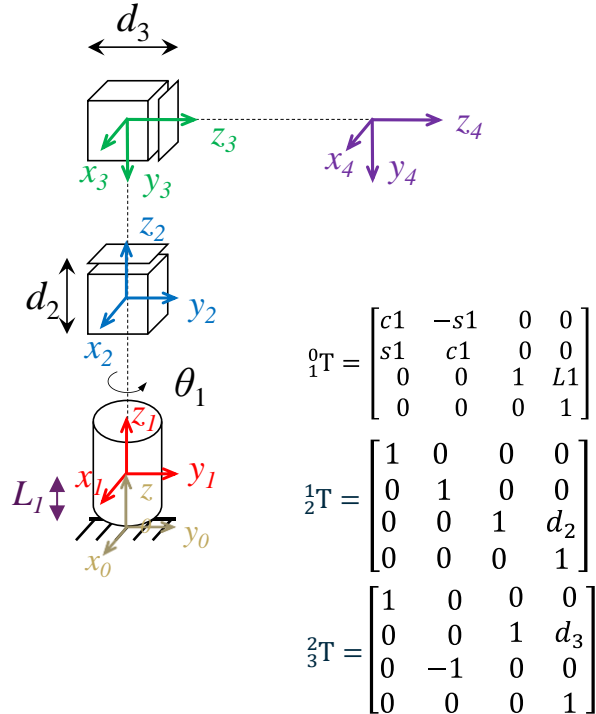


Prismatic joints:



Forward Kinematics

- Example, RPP:



D-H parameter:

- α_i : angle between z_i and z_{i+1} about x_i
- a_i : distance between z_i and z_{i+1} along x_i
- d_i : distance between x_{i-1} and x_i along z_i
- θ_i : angle between x_{i-1} and x_i about z_i

i	α_{i-1}	a_{i-1}	d_i	θ_i
1	0	0	L_1	θ_1
2	0	0	d_2	0
3	-90°	0	d_3	0

$${}^{i-1}_iT = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_i & -s\theta_i & 0 & a_{i-1} \\ s\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ s\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_N T = {}^0_1 T \quad {}^1_2 T \quad \dots \quad {}^{N-1}_N T$$

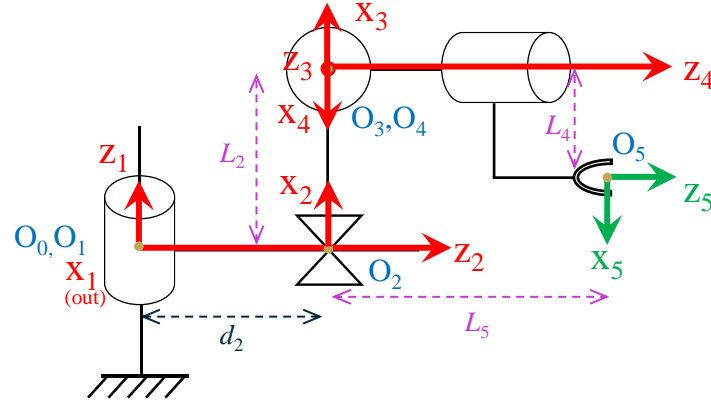
$${}^0_1 T \quad {}^0_1 T = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0 \\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & L1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_2 T = {}^0_1 T {}^1_2 T \quad {}^0_2 T = {}^0_1 T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0 \\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & L1 + d_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_3 T = {}^0_2 T {}^2_3 T \quad {}^0_3 T = {}^0_2 T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & 0 & -s1 & -s1d_3 \\ s1 & 0 & c1 & c1d_3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & L1 + d_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example- RPRR:

- Find DH parameters
- Find each ${}^{i-1}_iT$
- Find 0_5T



D-H parameter:

α_i : angle between z_i and z_{i+1} about x_i

a_i : distance between z_i and z_{i+1} along x_i

d_i : distance between x_{i-1} and x_i along z_i

θ_i : angle between x_{i-1} and x_i about z_i

i	α_{i-1}	a_{i-1}	d_i	θ_i
1	0	0	0	θ_1
2	-90°	0	d_2	-90°
3	-90°	L_2	0	θ_3
4	90°	0	0	θ_4
5	0	L_4	L_5	0

$${}^{i-1}_i\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_i & -s\theta_i & 0 & a_{i-1} \\ s\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ s\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

i	α_{i-1}	a_{i-1}	d_i	θ_i
1	0	0	0	θ_1
2	-90°	0	d_2	-90°
3	-90°	L_2	0	θ_3
4	90°	0	0	θ_4
5	0	L_4	L_5	0

$${}^0_1\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0 \\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^1_2\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^2_3\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} c3 & -s3 & 0 & L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s3 & -c3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^3_4\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} c4 & -s4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ s4 & c4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^4_5\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & L_4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & L_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_N T = {}^0_1 T \quad {}^1_2 T \quad \dots \quad {}^{N-1}_N T$$

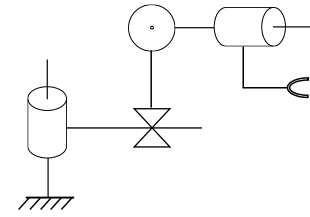
$${}^0_2 T \quad {}^0_1 T = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0 \\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1_2 T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^0_2 T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c1 & -s1 & -s1d_2 \\ 0 & s1 & c1 & c1d_2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_3 T \quad {}^0_2 T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c1 & -s1 & -s1d_2 \\ 0 & s1 & c1 & c1d_2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^2_3 T = \begin{bmatrix} c3 & -s3 & 0 & L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s3 & -c3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^0_3 T = \begin{bmatrix} s1s3 & s1c3 & c1 & -s1d_2 \\ -c1s3 & -c1c3 & s1 & c1d_2 \\ c3 & -s3 & 0 & L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_4 T \quad {}^0_3 T = \begin{bmatrix} s1s3 & s1c3 & c1 & -s1d_2 \\ -c1s3 & -c1c3 & s1 & c1d_2 \\ c3 & -s3 & 0 & L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^3_4 T = \begin{bmatrix} c4 & -s4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ s4 & c4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^0_4 T = \begin{bmatrix} s1s3c4 + c1s4 & c1c4 - s1s3s4 & -c3s1 & -s1d_2 \\ -c1s3c4 + s4s1 & s1c4 + c1s3s4 & c1c3 & c1d_2 \\ c3c4 & -c3s4 & s3 & L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

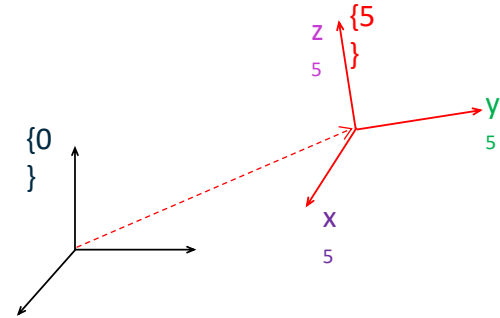
$${}^0_5 T = {}^0_4 T {}^4_5 T$$

$${}^0_5 T = \begin{bmatrix} s1s3c4 + c1s4 & c1c4 - s1s3s4 & -c3s1 & L_4s1s3c4 + ((-L_5c3 - d_2)s1 + L_4c1s4) \\ -c1s3c4 + s4s1 & s1c4 + c1s3s4 & c1c3 & -L_4c1s3c4 + (L_4s1s4) + (L_5c3 + d_2)c1 \\ c3c4 & -c3s4 & s3 & L_4c3c4 + (L_5s3 + L_2) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$${}^0_5T = \begin{bmatrix} s1s3c4 + c1s4 & c1c4 - s1s3s4 & -c3s1 & L_4s1s3c4 + ((-L_5c3 - d_2)s1 + L_4c1s4) \\ -c1s3c4 + s4s1 & s1c4 + c1s3s4 & c1c3 & -L_4c1s3c4 + (L_4s1s4 + (L_5c3 + d_2)c1) \\ c3c4 & -c3s4 & s3 & L_4c3c4 + (L_5s3 + L_2) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_p \\ r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_4s1s3c4 + ((-L_5c3 - d_2)s1 + L_4c1s4) \\ -L_4c1s3c4 + (L_4s1s4 + (L_5c3 + d_2)c1) \\ L_4c3c4 + (L_5s3 + L_2) \\ s1s3c4 + c1s4 \\ -c1s3c4 + s4s1 \\ c3c4 \\ c1c4 - s1s3s4 \\ s1c4 + c1s3s4 \\ -c3s4 \\ -c3s1 \\ c1c3 \\ s3 \end{bmatrix}$$



Example A, RRR:

(a) Find DH parameters

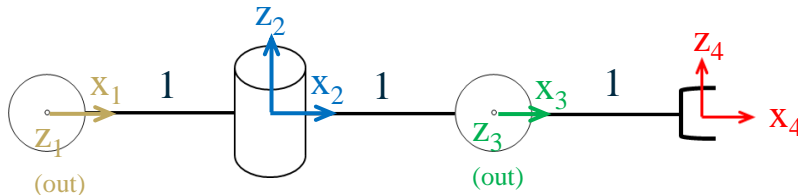
(b) Find each ${}^{i-1}_iT$ (0_1T , 1_2T , 2_3T , 3_4T)

(c) Find 0_5T

i	α_{i-1}	a_{i-1}	d_i	θ_i
1				
2				
3				
4				

$${}^0_1T = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0 \\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1_2T = \begin{bmatrix} c2 & -s2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s2 & -c2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^2_3T = \begin{bmatrix} c3 & -s3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ s3 & c3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^3_4T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_4T = \begin{bmatrix} c1c2c3 - s1s3 & -c1s2 & -c1c2s3 - s1c3 & c1c2c3 - s1s3 + c1c2 + c1 \\ s1c2c3 + c1s3 & -s1s2 & -s1c2s3 + c1c3 & s1c2c3 + c1s3 + s1c2 + s1 \\ -s2c3 & -c2 & s2s3 & s2c3 - s2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Assignment:

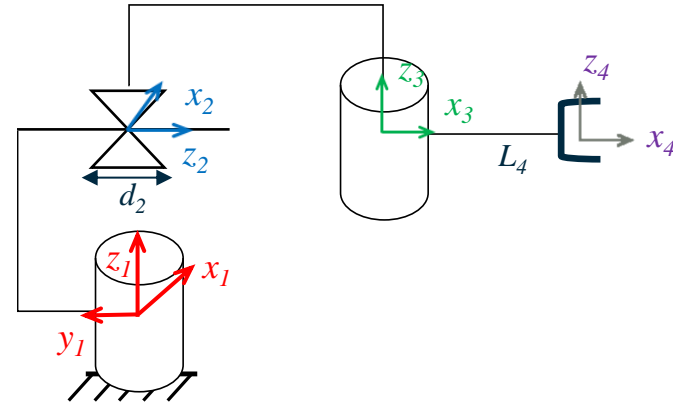
➤ Find 0_2T , 0_3T , 0_4T

Example B, RPR:

(a) Find DH parameters

(b) Find each ${}^{i-1}_iT$

(c) Find 0_5T



$${}^0_1T = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0 \\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1_2T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -d_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^2_3T = \begin{bmatrix} c3 & -s3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s3 & -c3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^3_4T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & L_4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

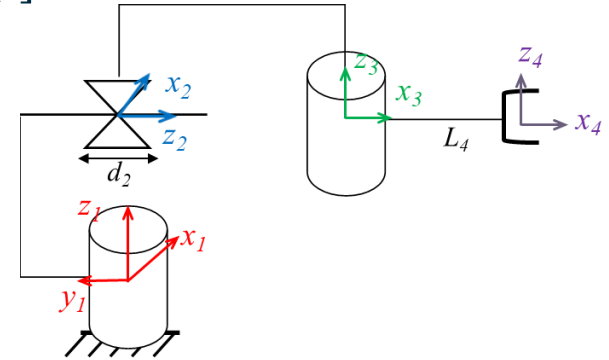
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2				
3				
4				

$${}^{i-1}_iT = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_i & -s\theta_i & 0 & a_{i-1} \\ s\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i c\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ s\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_i s\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_1T = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0 \\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1_2T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -d_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^2_3T = \begin{bmatrix} c3 & -s3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s3 & -c3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^3_4T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & L_4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_2T = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & 0 & s1 & s1d_2 \\ s1 & 0 & -c1 & -c1d_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^0_3T = \begin{bmatrix} c1c3 - s1s3 & -c1s3 & 0 & s1d_2 \\ c1s3 + s1c3 & c1c3 - s1s3 & 0 & -c1d_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0_4T = \begin{bmatrix} c1c3 - s1s3 & -c1s3 & 0 & L4c1c3 - L4s1s3 + s1d2 \\ c1s3 + s1c3 & c1c3 - s1s3 & 0 & L4s1c3 + L4c1s3 - c1d2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Lecture 5 Summary

- Link Description
- D-H Parameters
- Forward Kinematics