

$$v_{rr} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}v_x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}v_y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\omega(r_{rr_x} + r_{rr_y})$$

Now we'll factor them out into matrices.

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{fl} \\ v_{fr} \\ v_{rl} \\ v_{rr} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(r_{fl_x} + r_{fl_y}) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(r_{fr_x} - r_{fr_y}) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(r_{rl_x} - r_{rl_y}) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(r_{rr_x} + r_{rr_y}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{fl} \\ v_{fr} \\ v_{rl} \\ v_{rr} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -(r_{fl_x} + r_{fl_y}) \\ 1 & 1 & (r_{fr_x} - r_{fr_y}) \\ 1 & 1 & (r_{rl_x} - r_{rl_y}) \\ 1 & -1 & -(r_{rr_x} + r_{rr_y}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.12)$$

11.6.2 Forward kinematics

Let \mathbf{M} be the 4×3 inverse kinematics matrix above including the $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ factor. The forward kinematics are

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{M}^+ \begin{bmatrix} v_{fl} \\ v_{fr} \\ v_{rl} \\ v_{rr} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.13)$$

where \mathbf{M}^+ is the pseudoinverse of \mathbf{M} .

11.7 Swerve drive kinematics

A swerve drive has an arbitrary number of wheels which can rotate in place independent of the chassis. The forces they generate are shown in figure 11.4.

11.7.1 Inverse kinematics

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_{wheel1} &= \vec{v}_{robot} + \vec{\omega}_{robot} \times \vec{r}_{robot2wheel1} \\ \vec{v}_{wheel2} &= \vec{v}_{robot} + \vec{\omega}_{robot} \times \vec{r}_{robot2wheel2} \\ \vec{v}_{wheel3} &= \vec{v}_{robot} + \vec{\omega}_{robot} \times \vec{r}_{robot2wheel3} \\ \vec{v}_{wheel4} &= \vec{v}_{robot} + \vec{\omega}_{robot} \times \vec{r}_{robot2wheel4} \end{aligned}$$

where \vec{v}_{wheel} is the wheel velocity vector, \vec{v}_{robot} is the robot velocity vector, $\vec{\omega}_{robot}$ is the robot angular velocity vector, $\vec{r}_{robot2wheel}$ is the displacement vector from the

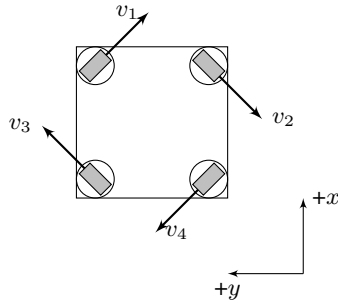


Figure 11.4: Swerve drive free body diagram

robot's center of rotation to the wheel,^[1] $\vec{v}_{robot} = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j}$, and $\vec{r}_{robot2wheel} = r_x \hat{i} + r_y \hat{j}$. The number suffixes denote a specific wheel in figure 11.4.

$$\vec{v}_1 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (r_{1x} \hat{i} + r_{1y} \hat{j})$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (r_{2x} \hat{i} + r_{2y} \hat{j})$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (r_{3x} \hat{i} + r_{3y} \hat{j})$$

$$\vec{v}_4 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (r_{4x} \hat{i} + r_{4y} \hat{j})$$

$$\vec{v}_1 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + (\omega r_{1x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{1y} \hat{i})$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + (\omega r_{2x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{2y} \hat{i})$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + (\omega r_{3x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{3y} \hat{i})$$

$$\vec{v}_4 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + (\omega r_{4x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{4y} \hat{i})$$

$$\vec{v}_1 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{1x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{1y} \hat{i}$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{2x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{2y} \hat{i}$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{3x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{3y} \hat{i}$$

$$\vec{v}_4 = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{4x} \hat{j} - \omega r_{4y} \hat{i}$$

$$\vec{v}_1 = v_x \hat{i} - \omega r_{1y} \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{1x} \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = v_x \hat{i} - \omega r_{2y} \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{2x} \hat{j}$$

^[1]The robot's center of rotation need not coincide with the robot's geometric center.

$$\vec{v}_3 = v_x \hat{i} - \omega r_{3y} \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{3x} \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}_4 = v_x \hat{i} - \omega r_{4y} \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} + \omega r_{4x} \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}_1 = (v_x - \omega r_{1y}) \hat{i} + (v_y + \omega r_{1x}) \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = (v_x - \omega r_{2y}) \hat{i} + (v_y + \omega r_{2x}) \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = (v_x - \omega r_{3y}) \hat{i} + (v_y + \omega r_{3x}) \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}_4 = (v_x - \omega r_{4y}) \hat{i} + (v_y + \omega r_{4x}) \hat{j}$$

Separate the i-hat components into independent equations.

$$v_{1x} = v_x - \omega r_{1y}$$

$$v_{2x} = v_x - \omega r_{2y}$$

$$v_{3x} = v_x - \omega r_{3y}$$

$$v_{4x} = v_x - \omega r_{4y}$$

Separate the j-hat components into independent equations.

$$v_{1y} = v_y + \omega r_{1x}$$

$$v_{2y} = v_y + \omega r_{2x}$$

$$v_{3y} = v_y + \omega r_{3x}$$

$$v_{4y} = v_y + \omega r_{4x}$$

Now we'll factor them out into matrices.

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{1x} \\ v_{2x} \\ v_{3x} \\ v_{4x} \\ v_{1y} \\ v_{2y} \\ v_{3y} \\ v_{4y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -r_{1y} \\ 1 & 0 & -r_{2y} \\ 1 & 0 & -r_{3y} \\ 1 & 0 & -r_{4y} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{1x} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{2x} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{3x} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{4x} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

Rearrange the rows so the x and y components are in adjacent rows.

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_{1x} \\ v_{1y} \\ v_{2x} \\ v_{2y} \\ v_{3x} \\ v_{3y} \\ v_{4x} \\ v_{4y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -r_{1y} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{1x} \\ 1 & 0 & -r_{2y} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{2x} \\ 1 & 0 & -r_{3y} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{3x} \\ 1 & 0 & -r_{4y} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{4x} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.14)$$

To convert the swerve module x and y velocity components to a velocity and heading, use the Pythagorean theorem and arctangent respectively. Here's an example for module 1.

$$v_1 = \sqrt{v_{1x}^2 + v_{1y}^2} \quad (11.15)$$

$$\theta_1 = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v_{1y}}{v_{1x}} \right) \quad (11.16)$$

11.7.2 Forward kinematics

Let \mathbf{M} be the 8×3 inverse kinematics matrix from equation (11.14). The forward kinematics are

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{M}^+ \begin{bmatrix} v_{1x} \\ v_{1y} \\ v_{2x} \\ v_{2y} \\ v_{3x} \\ v_{3y} \\ v_{4x} \\ v_{4y} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11.17)$$

where \mathbf{M}^+ is the pseudoinverse of \mathbf{M} .