Model Documentation of the Furuta Pendulum

1 Nomenclature

1.1 Nomenclature for Model Equations

m_2	mass of the pendulum
l_1	length of the arm
l_2	length of the pendulum
J_1	moment of inertia of the arm
J_2	moment of inertia of the pendulum about the axis of rotation through the center of mass
g	acceleration due to gravity
q_1	angel of the arm
q_2	angel of the pendulum
τ	torque on the arm

1.2 Graphic of the Structure

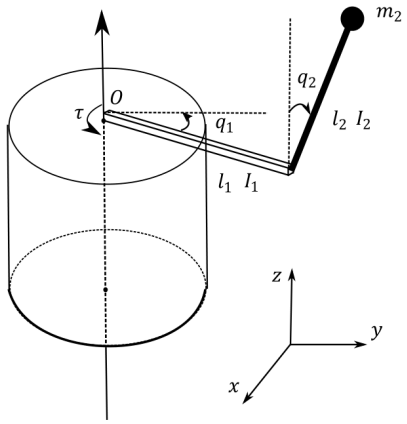

Figure 1: Structure of the Furuta Pendulum.
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2 Model Equations

State Vector and Input Vector:

$$\underline{x} = (q_1\ q_2\ \dot{q}_1\ \dot{q}_2)^T = (x_1\ x_2\ x_3\ x_4)^T$$
$$\underline{u} = (\tau\ 0)^T = (u_1, u_2)^T$$

Kinetic Energy:

$$T = \frac{1}{2} J_2 x_3^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 [(l_1^2 + l_2^2 \sin^2 x_2) x_3^2 + l_2^2 x_4^2 + 2 l_1 l_2 \cos x_2 x_3 x_4] \tag{1a}$$

$$\tag{1b}$$

Potential Energy:

$$V = m_2 g l_2 (\cos x_2 - 1) \tag{2a}$$

$$\tag{2b}$$

Parameters: m_2, l_1, l_2, J_1, J_2, g
Outputs: $\underline{x}$

2.1 Exemplary parameter values

Parameter Name	Symbol	Value	Unit
mass of the pendulum	m_2	0.2	kg
length of the arm	l_1	0.5	m
length of the pendulum	l_2	0.5	m
moment of inertia of the arm	J_1	0.02	$kg \cdot m^2$
moment of inertia of the pendulum	J_2	0.02	$kg \cdot m^2$
acceleration due to gravity	g	9.81	$\frac{m}{s^2}$

3 Derivation and Explanation

The Lagrangian mechanics was used for the solution.

4 Simulation

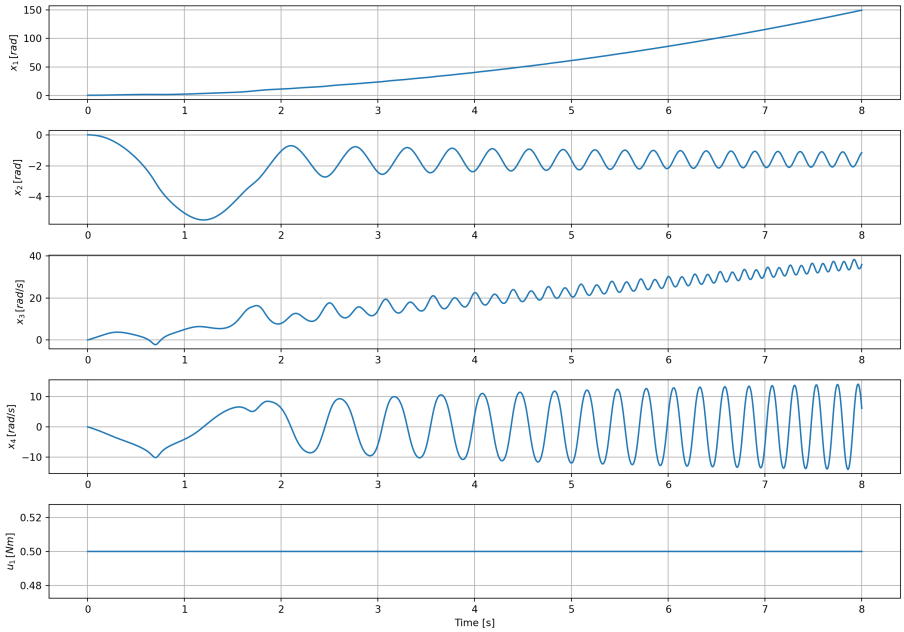

Figure 2: Simulation of the furuta pendulum.

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