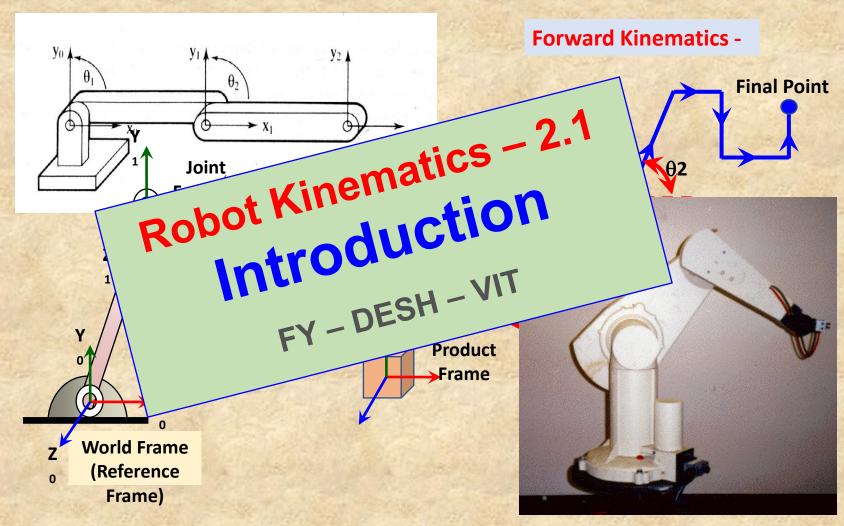
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An Introduction to Robot Kinematics

A Robot is

- √ a re-programmable
- ✓ multi-functional manipulator
- ✓ designed to move material, parts, tools or specialized devices
- √ through variable programmed motions
- √ for the performance of a variety of tasks.



Robot in Packaging Industry



Robot Functions –

- Generate angles of rotation of joints
- Integrate tooling and sensors
- Decide most suitable Path
- Repetitive moves
- Remember everything

.... and many more this is endless



Sense – sensors, limit switches

Think – computer, micro controller, PLC

Act – arm, links, end effectors etc.



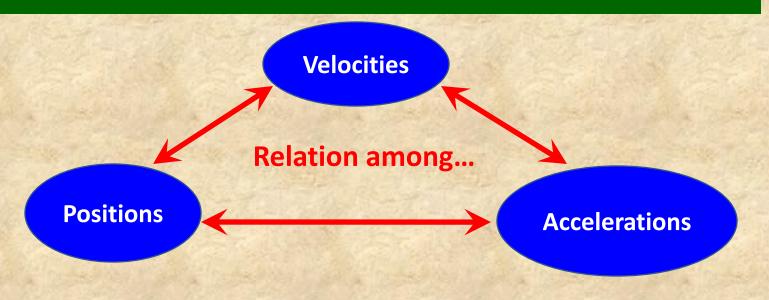




Robot Kinematics –

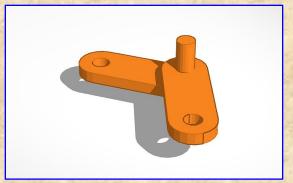
What is Kinematics of Robots?

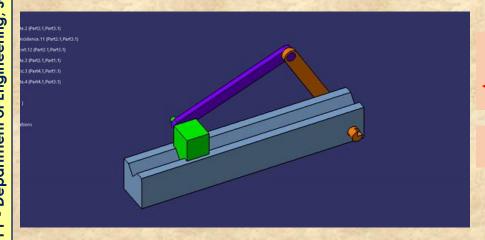
- Kinematics is the science of motion of Robot.
- Links and joints can have positions, velocities and accelerations.

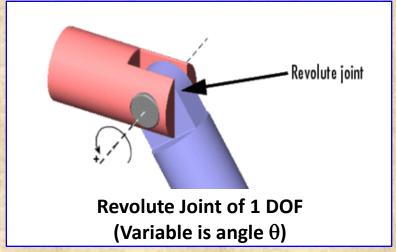




Basic Joints in a Robot –







How many Revolute Joints

are here?

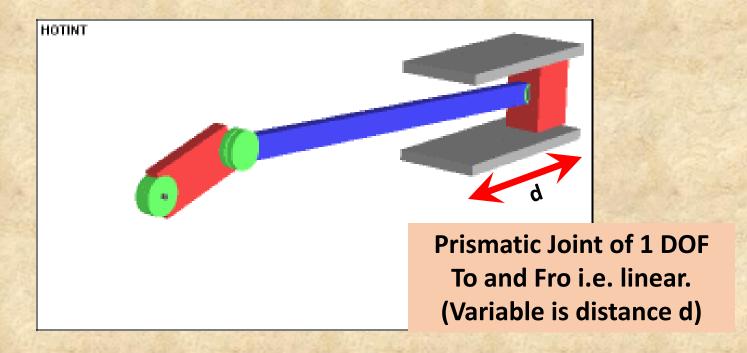
Any other Joint?





Basic Joints in a Robot –

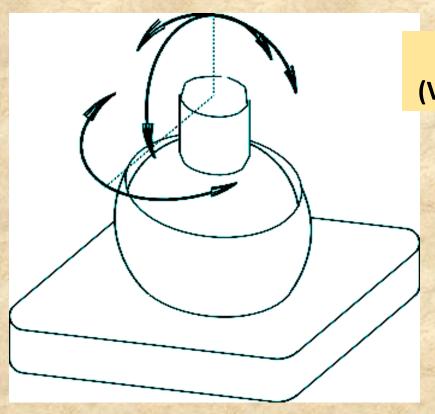
Prismatic Joint



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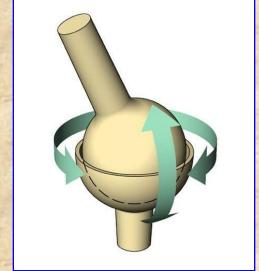
Basic Joints in a Robot –



Spherical Joint of 3 DOF (Variable is angle - θ_1 , θ_2 and θ_3)

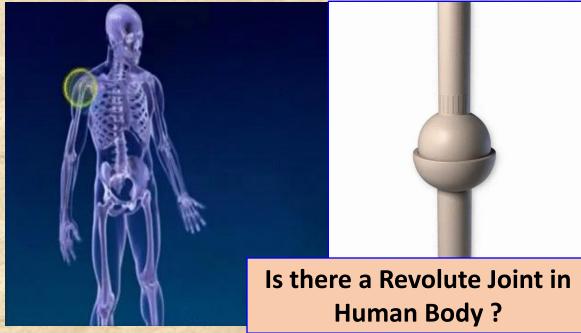
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Basic Joints in a Robot –



Spherical Joint of 3 DOF

(Variable is angle - θ_1 , θ_2 and θ_3)





Concept of Degrees Of Freedom (DOF)



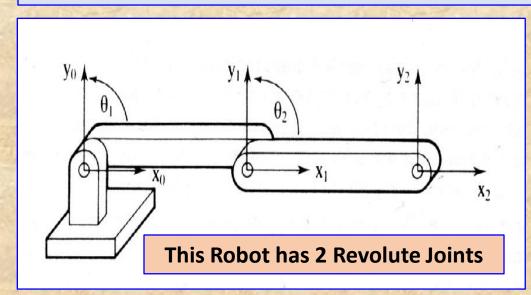
Robot with SIX revolute joints.

ONE revolute joint = ONE degree of freedom (1 DOF)

DOF means how many independent motions can be done?



Basic Joints in a Robot and Degrees of Freedom DOF -

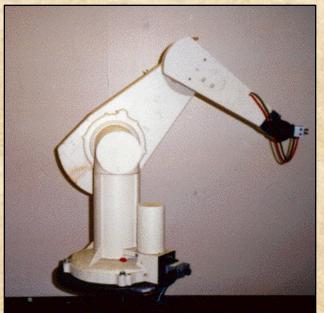


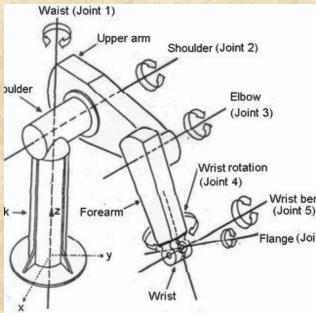
Prismatic Joint of 1 DOF

Revolute Joints of 1 DOF each. Total DOF = 2 (Variable is angle θ) Prismatic Joint of 1 DOF To and Fro i.e. linear. (Variable is distance d)

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PUMA 560 Robot

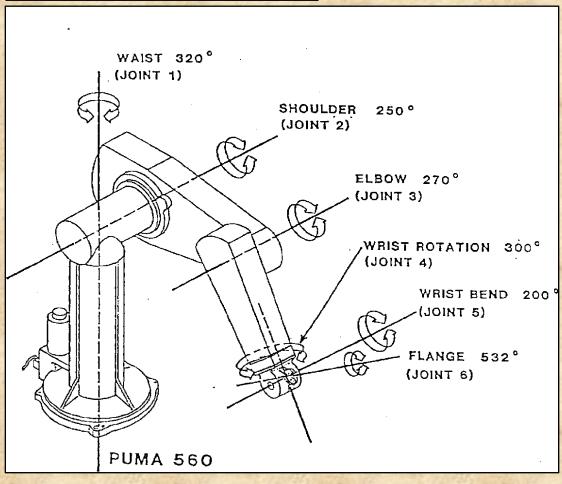




The PUMA 560 has SIX revolute joints = 6 DOF
ONE revolute joint = ONE degree of freedom (1 DOF)

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PUMA 560 Robot





Kinematics in Robotics –

Forward Kinematics (angles to position)

✓ What you are given : The length of each link

The angle of each joint

✓ What you can find : The Position where Robot will reach...

(i.e. its coordinates)

Forward Kinematics (angles to position)

✓ What you are given : The Path

✓ What you can find : Destination

Reaching an unknown house if the correct road map is given.



Kinematics in Robotics –

Inverse Kinematics (position to angles)

✓ What you are given : The length of each link

The position of destination point on the Robot

✓ What you can find : The angles of each joint needed to reach at

the destination

Inverse Kinematics (position to angles)

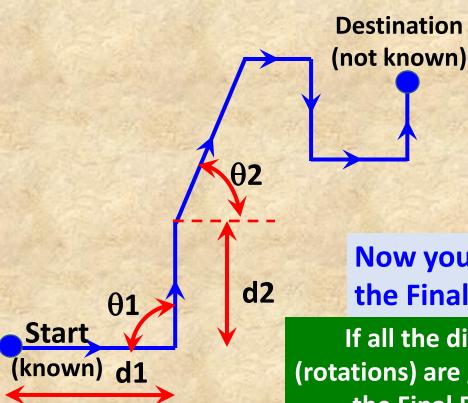
✓ What you are given : Destination

✓ What you can find : The Path

To reach a known house, there can be many paths to travel.

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Forward Kinematics -



How to find co-ordinates of Final Point?

If all distances d1, d2, d3, ...dn are given.

Is this enough?

We need corresponding angles like - θ 1, θ 2, θ 3, ... θ n.

Now you can find the coordinates of the Final Point (Destination).

If all the distances (links) and all angles (rotations) are given, to find the co-ordinates of the Final Point is Forward Kinematics.

Start

(known)



Inverse Kinematics -Destination (known) θ 2

d2

How to reach to the Destination Point?

What you should calculate?

- 1) the distances and
- 2) corresponding angles

There can be multiple ways of doing this!

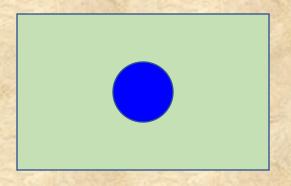
...and all answers are correct!

You can finalise the best path to reach to the Destination Point.

If the co-ordinates of the Destination Point are known, to calculate the distances (links) and all angles (rotations) is Inverse Kinematics.



Why reference frames are important?



Where is the blue circle in the green rectangle?

At the center ... Right ?

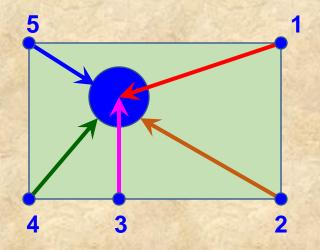


Where is the blue circle in the green rectangle now?

Thousands of answers... Right ? Why ?



Why reference frames are important?



Which distance of the circle from the rectangle is correct ???

All answers are correct!

Why there are so many answers?

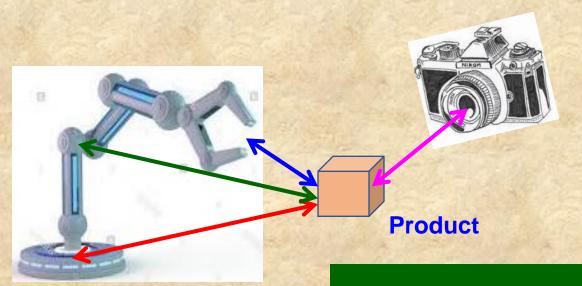
Just because every distance is measured from a different Reference Point!

If we select a specific Reference Point, there will be just ONE single answer!

This is nothing but a Reference Frame!

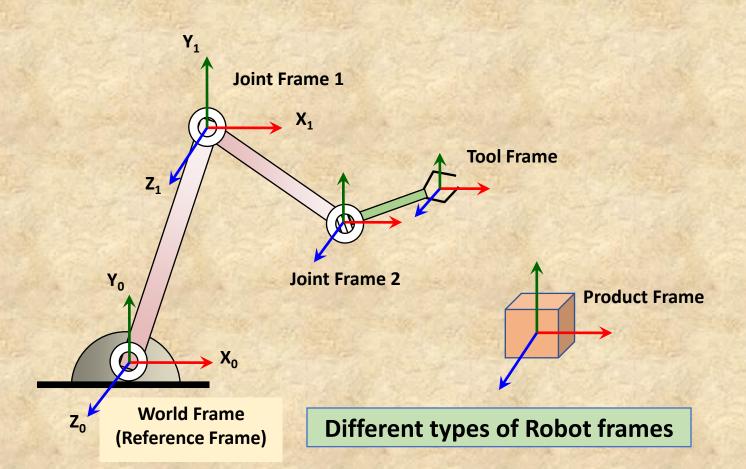


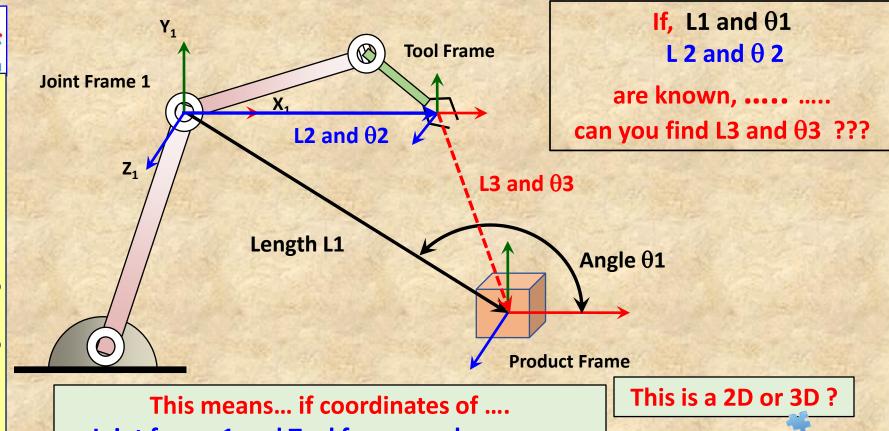
Why reference frames are important?



The base, the joint, the gripper... all are at different distance from the product. But to hold the same, movement of all joints is required!

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This means... if coordinates of

Joint frame 1 and Tool frame are known

We should learn how

the Gripper will reach to the Product!



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