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# Ch1: Summary of Linear Algebra & Robot Kinematics

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#### **Linear Algebra**

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#### **Basic Notation**

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 $f: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{R}$ 

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#### **Vector**

 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ : (an *n*-dimensional real vector in the column format)

 $\mathbb{R}^n$ : n-dimensional real space (Euclidian Space)

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#### Vector Norm

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**General Definition**: Given  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , vector norm  $||x|| \in \mathbb{R}_+$  is defined such that

- ||x|| > 0 when  $x \neq 0$  and ||x|| = 0 iff x = 0.
- $||kx|| = |k|||x||, \ \forall k \in \mathbb{R}.$
- $||x + y|| \le ||x|| + ||y||$ ,  $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- ❖ The p-norm (or  $\ell_p$ -norm) of x for  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p \ge 1$  is defined as  $||x||_p \coloneqq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p\right)^{1/p}$

e.g. 
$$||x||_2 = ||x|| = \sqrt{x^T x}$$
 (Euclidean Norm)

Special case: 
$$||x||_{\infty} := \max_{i} |x_{i}|$$

Schwartz Inequality:  $|x^Ty| \le ||x||_2 ||y||_2 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

Unit Vector:  $\|\widehat{x}\|_2 = \widehat{x}^T \widehat{x} = 1$ ,  $\widehat{x} = x/\|x\|_2$ 

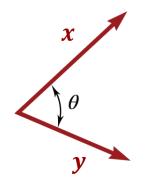
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#### **Dot Product or Scalar Product or Inner Product**

Dot Product or Scalar Product or Inner Product of two vectors  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a <u>scalar</u> defined as

(Algebraic Definition) 
$$\langle x, y \rangle = x \cdot y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i = x^T y = y^T x$$

(Geometric Definition) 
$$< x, y >= x \cdot y = ||x||_2 ||y||_2 \cos \theta$$
 
$$(0 \le \theta \le 180^\circ)$$



Orthogonal Vectors:

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#### **Matrix**

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

(an m by n dimensional real matrix)

 $\boldsymbol{A}^T$ 

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Matrix-vector multiplication Ax as linear combination of columns of A:



#### **Particular Matrices**

#### Square Matrix:

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- Upper Triangular
- Lower Triangular
- Diagonal
  - Identity Matrix
- Null Matrix

Symmetric Matrix:

Skew-symmetric Matrix:

Partitioned Matrix: A matrix whose elements are matrices (blocks) of proper dimensions.



#### **Matrix Operations**

Trace of a square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ : tr(A)

Sum of matrices: C = A + B

Symmetric and skew-symmetric part of a square matrix A:

Product of matrices: C = AB

Determinant of a square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ : det(A)

Singular and Nonsingular Matrices:



#### **Matrix Operations**

Rank of a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ : rank(A)

Inverse of  $A: A^{-1}$ 

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**Orthogonal Matrix:** 

Linearly Independent Vectors  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , i = 1, ..., n

Derivative of  $A(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ :  $\frac{d}{dt}A(t) = \dot{A}(t)$ 

Derivative of  $A^{-1}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ :

#### **Gradient**

For a **scalar function**  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  which is differentiable with respect to the elements  $x_i$  of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , its **gradient** with respect to x is an n-dimensional column vector  $\nabla_x f \in \mathbb{R}^n$  as:

(nabla symbol and pronounced "del") 
$$\nabla_{x} f(x) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{1}}(x) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{n}}(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

 $f(x_1, x_2) = -(\cos^2 x_1 + \cos^2 x_2)^2$ 

The gradient depicted as a projected vector field.

If x(t) is a differentiable function with respect to t:

$$\dot{f}(x) = \frac{d}{dt} f(x(t)) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \dot{x} = \nabla_x^T f(x) \dot{x} \quad \text{(Chain Rule)}$$

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#### Jacobian

For a **vector function**  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  whose elements  $f_i$  are differentiable with respect to the elements  $x_i$  of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , its **Jacobian** with respect to x is matrix  $J_f \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  as:

$$J_{f}(x) = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_{1}(x)}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f_{2}(x)}{\partial x} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_{m}(x)}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix}$$

If x(t) is a differentiable function with respect to t:

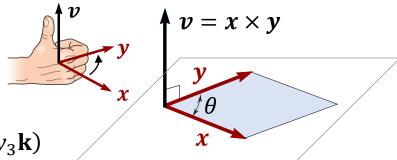
$$\dot{f}(x) = \frac{d}{dt}f(x(t)) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\dot{x} = J_f(x)\dot{x} \qquad \text{(Chain Rule)}$$

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#### **Cross Product or Vector Product**

Cross product of  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  (in the Euclidean space) is defined as a <u>vector</u>  $v = x \times y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  that is orthogonal to both x and y ( $v \perp x, v \perp y$ ), with a direction given by the right-hand rule and a magnitude equal to the area of the parallelogram that the vectors span.

$$\|\boldsymbol{v}\|_2 = \|\boldsymbol{x}\|_2 \|\boldsymbol{y}\|_2 \sin \theta \quad (0 \le \theta \le 180^\circ)$$



$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y} = (x_1 \mathbf{i} + x_2 \mathbf{j} + x_3 \mathbf{k}) \times (y_1 \mathbf{i} + y_2 \mathbf{j} + y_3 \mathbf{k})$$

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$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$$

$$\boldsymbol{v} = \boldsymbol{x} \times \boldsymbol{y} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Matrix notation

#### **Cross Product as a Matrix-Vector Multiplication**

Cross product  $x \times y$  ( $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ) can be thought of as a multiplication of a vector by a  $3 \times 3$  skew-symmetric matrix as

$$\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -x_3 & x_2 \\ x_3 & 0 & -x_1 \\ -x_2 & x_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{x}]\mathbf{y} = -[\mathbf{y}]\mathbf{x}$$

The matrix [x] is a 3x3 skew-symmetric matrix representation of x.  $[x] = -[x]^T$ 

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#### **Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors**

If the vector resulting from the linear transformation  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  on a vector u has the same direction of u (with  $u \neq 0$ ), then  $Au = \lambda u$ .

For each square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  there exist n eigenvalues (in general, complex numbers) denoted by  $\lambda_i(A)$ , i = 1, ..., n that satisfy

(characteristic equation) 
$$\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda_i(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{I}) = 0 \qquad \mathbf{I} = \operatorname{diag}(1) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

• If  $A = A^T$ , then  $\lambda_i(A) \in \mathbb{R}$ , i = 1, ..., n.

**Eigenvectors**  $u_i$  associated with the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  satisfy  $(A - \lambda_i I)u_i = 0$  i = 1, ..., n

- If the eigenvectors  $\boldsymbol{u}_i$  of  $\boldsymbol{A}$  are linearly independent, matrix  $\boldsymbol{U}$  formed by the column vectors  $\boldsymbol{u}_i$  is invertible and  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda} = \boldsymbol{U}^{-1}\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{U}$  where  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda} = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ . If  $\boldsymbol{A}$  is symmetric,  $\boldsymbol{U}$  is orthogonal ( $\boldsymbol{U}\boldsymbol{U}^T = \boldsymbol{U}^T\boldsymbol{U} = \boldsymbol{I}$ ) and  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda} = \boldsymbol{U}^T\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{U}$ .
  - $\Rightarrow$  Eigendecomposition:  $A = U\Lambda U^{-1}$  and if A is symmetric  $A = U\Lambda U^{T}$ .
- $\det(\mathbf{A}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i$   $\lambda(\mathbf{A}^T) = \lambda(\mathbf{A})$

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- $||kA|| = |k|||A||, \forall k \in \mathbb{R}.$
- $||A + B|| \le ||A|| + ||B||$ ,  $\forall B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .
- $||AB|| \leq ||A|| ||B||$ ,  $\forall B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

The p-norm of A (induced by vector p-norms) for  $0 \le p \le \infty$  is defined as

$$||A||_p = \sup_{||x||_p=1} ||Ax||_p = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{||Ax||_p}{||x||_p} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

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#### Matrix Norm (cont.)

In the special cases of  $p=1,2,\infty$ , these norms can be computed/estimated by:

- $||A||_1 = \max_{1 \le j \le n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|$  (the max. absolute column sum of A)
- $\|A\|_2 = \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(A^TA)} = \sigma_{\max}(A)$  (Spectral Norm) If  $A = A^T$   $\begin{cases} \|A\|_2 = \max_i |\lambda_i(A)| \\ \|A^{-1}\|_2 = 1/\min_i |\lambda_i(A)| \end{cases}$  (the square root of the maximum eigenvalue of  $A^TA$ , or the largest singular value of A)
- $||A||_{\infty} = \max_{1 \le i \le n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |a_{ij}|$  (the max. absolute row sum of A)
- Frobenius Norm:  $\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j=1}^n \ \left|a_{ij}\right|^2} = \sqrt{\mathrm{tr}(A^TA)}$

$$||Ax||_2 \le ||A||_2 ||x||_2$$
,  $||A||_2 \le ||A||_F$ 

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#### **Quadratic Form**

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A **Quadratic Form** is a polynomial with terms all of degree two:

$$Q(x) = ax^{2}$$

$$Q(x_{1}, x_{2}) = ax_{1}^{2} + bx_{1}x_{2} + cx_{2}^{2}$$

$$Q(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}) = ax_{1}^{2} + bx_{1}x_{2} + cx_{2}^{2} + dx_{2}x_{3} + ex_{3}^{2} + fx_{1}x_{3}$$

The quadratic form associated with a  $n \times n$  matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the function  $Q: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ such that  $Q(x) = x^T A x$  for all x.

• The quadratic function associated with a skew-symmetric matrix  $A_{ss}$  is always **zero**.

$$A_{ss}$$
 is skew-symmetric  $\Leftrightarrow x^T A_{ss} x = 0 \quad (\forall x)$ 

• Each quadratic function  $x^T A x$  is always equal to a quadratic function with the symmetric part of matrix.  $Q(x) = x^T A x = x^T (A_s + A_{ss}) x = x^T A_s x$ 

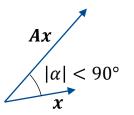
• If 
$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^T$$
:  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} Q(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial Q(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right)^T = 2\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\dot{Q}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{d}{dt}Q(\mathbf{x}(t)) = 2\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}\dot{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{x}^T \dot{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{x}$ 

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#### **Definite and Semi-Definite Matrices**

A square not necessarily symmetric matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is

- Positive Definite (PD or A > 0) if  $x^T A x > 0$  for all nonzero  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Positive Semi-Definite (PSD or  $A \ge 0$ ) if  $x^T A x \ge 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Negative Definite (ND or A < 0) if  $x^T A x < 0$  for all nonzero  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Negative Semi-Definite (NSD or  $A \leq 0$ ) if  $x^T A x \leq 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Indefinite if A neither positive semi-definite nor negative semi-definite.



Geometric Interpretation of the Positive Definiteness of *A*.

- A square matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is negative definite if -A is positive definite and it is negative semidefinite if -A is positive semidefinite.
- A **necessary** condition for  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  to be PD [or PSD] is that its diagonal elements be strictly positive [or nonnegative].
- Since  $x^T A_{ss} x = 0$ , the test for the definiteness of A may be done by considering only its symmetric part.

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#### Definite and Semi-Definite Matrices (cont.)

 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric and PD [or PSD].

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Principal minors (i.e.,  $a_{11}$ ,  $a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}$ , ..., det **A**) all are  $\Leftrightarrow$ strictly positive [or nonnegative].



All its eigenvalues are strictly positive [or nonnegative].

- Any symmetric PD matrix  $A = A^T > 0$  is always <u>full-rank</u> and <u>nonsingular</u>.
- Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n imes n}$  be a symmetric PD matrix and  $\lambda_{\min}$  ,  $\lambda_{\max}$  be the minimum and maximum eigenvalues of A. For any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$\lambda_{\min}(A) ||x||_2^2 \le x^T A x \le \lambda_{\max}(A) ||x||_2^2$$

(Rayleigh-Ritz Theorem)

- Semi-definiteness implies that rank(A) = r < n, and thus r eigenvalues of A are positive/negative and n-r are 0.
- A matrix inequality of the form  $A_1 > A_2$ , where  $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  means that  $A_1 A_2 > 0$ , i.e.,  $A_1 - A_2$  is PD. Similar notations apply to the concepts of PSD, ND, NSD.

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Rotations	Rigid-Body Motions
$R \in SO(3)$ : $3 \times 3$ matrices $R^T R = I$ , $det(R) = 1$	$T \in SE(3)$ : $4 \times 4$ matrices $T = \begin{bmatrix} R & p \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , where $R \in SO(3)$ , $p \in \mathbb{R}^3$
$R^{-1} = R^{\mathrm{T}}$	$\boldsymbol{R}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{R}^{\mathrm{T}} & -\boldsymbol{R}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{p} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Change of coordinate frame: $m{R}_{ab}m{R}_{bc} = m{R}_{ac}, \; m{R}_{ab}m{p}_b = m{p}_a$	Change of coordinate frame: $m{T}_{ab}m{T}_{bc} = m{T}_{ac}, \ \ m{T}_{ab}m{p}_b = m{p}_a$

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Rotations	Rigid-Body Motions
Rotating a frame $\{b\}$ : $ R = \operatorname{Rot}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}, \theta) $ $ R_{sb'} = RR_{sb}$ : $ \operatorname{rotate} \theta \text{ about } \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_s = \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}} $ $ R_{sb''} = R_{sb}R$ : $ \operatorname{rotate} \theta \text{ about } \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_b = \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}} $	Displacing a frame $\{b\}$ :
Unit rotation axis is $\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , where $\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\  = 1$	"Unit" screw axis is $\pmb{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \pmb{S}_{\omega} \\ \pmb{S}_{v} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{6}$ , where either (i) $\ \pmb{S}_{\omega}\  = 1$ or (ii) $\ \pmb{S}_{\omega}\  = 0$ , $\ \pmb{S}_{v}\  = 1$
	For a screw axis $\{q, \hat{s}, h\}$ with finite $h$ , $S = \begin{bmatrix} S_{\omega} \\ S_{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{s} \\ -\hat{s} \times q + h\hat{s} \end{bmatrix}$
Angular velocity is $oldsymbol{\omega} = \hat{oldsymbol{\omega}} \dot{ heta}$	Twist is $oldsymbol{\mathcal{V}} = oldsymbol{\mathcal{S}}\dot{ heta}$

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Forward/Velocity/Inverse Kinematics

Rotations	Rigid-Body Motions
For any $\boldsymbol{\omega} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , $ [\boldsymbol{\omega}] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_3 & \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 & 0 & -\omega_1 \\ -\omega_2 & \omega_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in so(3) $ Properties: For any $\boldsymbol{\omega}, \boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3, \boldsymbol{R} \in SO(3)$ : $ [\boldsymbol{\omega}] = -[\boldsymbol{\omega}]^T, [\boldsymbol{\omega}] \boldsymbol{x} = -[\boldsymbol{x}] \boldsymbol{\omega}, $ $ [\boldsymbol{\omega}] [\boldsymbol{x}] = ([\boldsymbol{x}] [\boldsymbol{\omega}])^T, \boldsymbol{R} [\boldsymbol{\omega}] \boldsymbol{R}^T = [\boldsymbol{R} \boldsymbol{\omega}] $	For any $\mathbf{\mathcal{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega} \\ \boldsymbol{v} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^6$ or $\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}_{\omega} \\ \mathbf{S}_{v} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^6$ , $[\mathbf{\mathcal{V}}] = \begin{bmatrix} [\boldsymbol{\omega}] & \boldsymbol{v} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in se(3),$ $[\mathbf{S}] = \begin{bmatrix} [\mathbf{S}_{\omega}] & \mathbf{S}_{v} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in se(3)$
$\dot{R}R^{-1} = [\boldsymbol{\omega}_S], \ R^{-1}\dot{R} = [\boldsymbol{\omega}_b]$	$\dot{\boldsymbol{T}}\boldsymbol{T}^{-1} = [\boldsymbol{\mathcal{V}}_S], \ \boldsymbol{T}^{-1}\dot{\boldsymbol{T}} = [\boldsymbol{\mathcal{V}}_b]$
	$ \begin{aligned} [\mathrm{Ad}_{T}] &= \begin{bmatrix} R & 0 \\ [p]R & R \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{6 \times 6} \\ \text{Properties: } [\mathrm{Ad}_{T}]^{-1} &= [\mathrm{Ad}_{T^{-1}}], \\ [\mathrm{Ad}_{T_{1}}][\mathrm{Ad}_{T_{2}}] &= [\mathrm{Ad}_{T_{1}T_{2}}] \end{aligned} $
Change of coordinate frame: $\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_a = \boldsymbol{R}_{ab}\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_b,  \boldsymbol{\omega}_a = \boldsymbol{R}_{ab}\boldsymbol{\omega}_b$	Change of coordinate frame: $\mathbf{S}_a = [\mathrm{Ad}_{\mathbf{T}_{ab}}]\mathbf{S}_b,  \mathbf{\mathcal{V}}_a = [\mathrm{Ad}_{\mathbf{T}_{ab}}]\mathbf{\mathcal{V}}_b$

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#### **Rigid-Body Motions**

Forward/Velocity/Inverse Kinematics

Rotations	Rigid-Body Motions
Exponential coordinate for $\mathbf{R} \in SO(3)$ : $\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \theta \in \mathbb{R}^3$	Exponential coordinate for $T \in SE(3)$ : $S\theta \in \mathbb{R}^6$
exp: $[\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}]\theta \in so(3) \to \boldsymbol{R} \in SO(3)$ $\boldsymbol{R} = \text{Rot}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}, \theta) = e^{[\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}]\theta}$ $\boldsymbol{R} = \boldsymbol{I} + \sin \theta[\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}] + (1 - \cos \theta)[\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}]^2$ (Rodrigues' formula for rotations)	$\exp : [S]\theta \in se(3) \to T \in SE(3)$ $T = e^{[S]\theta}$ $T = \begin{bmatrix} e^{[S_{\omega}]\theta} & G(\theta)S_{v} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $G(\theta)$ $= I\theta + (1 - \cos\theta)[S_{\omega}] + (\theta - \sin\theta)[S_{\omega}]^{2}$
log: $\mathbf{R} \in SO(3) \to [\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}]\theta \in so(3)$ $\log(\mathbf{R}) = [\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}]\theta$	$\log: \mathbf{T} \in SE(3) \to [\mathbf{S}]\theta \in se(3)$ $\log(\mathbf{T}) = [\mathbf{S}]\theta$
Moment change of coordinate frame: $m{m}_a = m{R}_{ab} m{m}_b$	Wrench change of coordinate frame: $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{F}}_a = (\boldsymbol{m}_a, \boldsymbol{f}_a) = \left[\operatorname{Ad}_{\boldsymbol{T}_{ba}}\right]^{\operatorname{T}} \boldsymbol{\mathcal{F}}_b$

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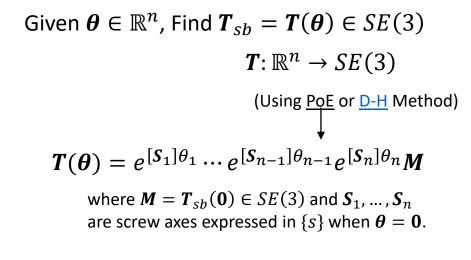
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#### **Forward Kinematics**

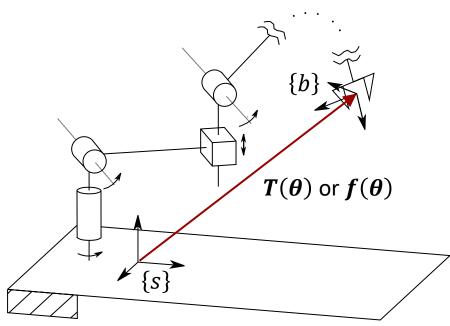
The forward kinematics of a robot refers to the calculation of the position and orientation (**pose**) of its end-effector frame from its joint positions  $\theta$ .





"Minimum-Coordinate" forward kinematics:

Given 
$$m{ heta} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$
, Find  $m{x} = m{f}(m{ heta}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$   $(m \leq n) \quad m{f} \colon \mathbb{R}^n o \mathbb{R}^m$ 



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#### **Velocity Kinematics**

• 
$$\mathcal{V}_{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{S} \\ \boldsymbol{v}_{S} \end{bmatrix} = \boldsymbol{J}_{S}(\boldsymbol{\theta})\dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

• 
$$\mathbf{v}_b = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega}_b \\ \boldsymbol{v}_b \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{J}_b(\boldsymbol{\theta})\dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

• 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{S} \\ \dot{\boldsymbol{p}} \end{bmatrix} = \boldsymbol{J}_{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta})\dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

#### **Geometric Jacobian**

• 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \\ \dot{\boldsymbol{p}} \end{bmatrix} = \boldsymbol{J}_{a,\boldsymbol{\phi}}(\boldsymbol{\theta})\dot{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \qquad \boldsymbol{\phi} = (\alpha,\beta,\gamma)$$

• 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{q} \\ \dot{p} \end{bmatrix} = J_{a,q}(\theta)\dot{\theta}$$
  $q = (q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3)$ 

• 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{r} \\ \dot{p} \end{bmatrix} = J_{a,r}(\theta)\dot{\theta}$$
  $r = \hat{\omega}\theta$ 

#### **Analytic Jacobian**

$$-\boldsymbol{J}_{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{J}_{s1} & \boldsymbol{J}_{s2}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & \cdots & \boldsymbol{J}_{sn}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \end{bmatrix}, \ \boldsymbol{J}_{si}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Ad}_{e^{[\boldsymbol{S}_{1}]\boldsymbol{\theta}_{1}} \dots e^{[\boldsymbol{S}_{i-1}]\boldsymbol{\theta}_{i-1}} \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{S}_{i} \qquad \begin{array}{c} i = 2, \dots, n, \\ \boldsymbol{J}_{s1} = \boldsymbol{S}_{1} \end{array}$$

$$-\boldsymbol{J}_b(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = [\mathrm{Ad}_{\boldsymbol{T}_{bs}}] \boldsymbol{J}_s(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- Statics:  $\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{J}_b^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta})\boldsymbol{\mathcal{F}}_b$  ,  $\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{J}_s^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta})\boldsymbol{\mathcal{F}}_s$
- In singular configuration  $\theta^*$ ,  $J(\theta^*) \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$  is rank-deficient, i.e.,  $\operatorname{rank}(J(\theta^*)) < r$ .

#### **Inverse Kinematics**

The inverse kinematics of a robot refers to the calculation of the joint coordinates  $\theta$  from the position and orientation (**pose**) of its end-effector frame.

"Geometric" inverse kinematics:

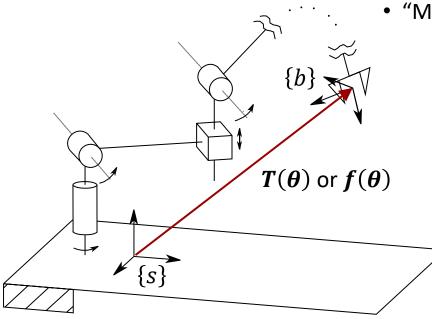
Given 
$$T_{sb} = T(\theta) \in SE(3)$$
, Find  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 



Given 
$$x = f(\theta) \in \mathbb{R}^m$$
, Find  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

- Analytic Methods: Finding closed-form solutions using algebraic or geometric intuition intuitions.
- Iterative Numerical Methods: For instance, using Newton–Raphson method:

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{i+1} = \boldsymbol{\theta}^i + \boldsymbol{J}^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^i)\boldsymbol{e} = \boldsymbol{\theta}^i + \boldsymbol{J}^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^i)(\boldsymbol{x}_d - \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^i))$$



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## **Trajectory Generation**

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#### **Trajectory Generation: Path & Time Scaling**

**Trajectory** C(s(t)) or C(t) specifies the robot configuration as a function of time, i.e., the combination of a path C(s) and a time scaling s(t).

$$\mathcal{C}: [0,1] \to \mathbb{C}$$

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  $s: [0,T] \to [0,1]$ 

- Straight-Line Path in Joint Space:  $\theta(s) = \theta_{\text{start}} + s(\theta_{\text{end}} \theta_{\text{start}})$
- Straight-Line Path in Task Space:

$$(1) x(s) = x_{\text{start}} + s(x_{\text{end}} - x_{\text{start}}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

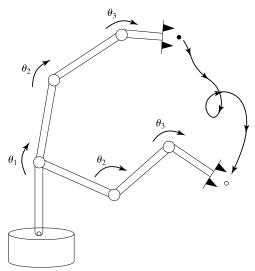
(2) 
$$p(s) = p_{\text{start}} + s(p_{\text{end}} - p_{\text{start}}) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$R(s) = R_{\text{start}} \exp(\log(R_{\text{start}}^{\text{T}} R_{\text{end}}) s) \in SO(3)$$

(3) 
$$T(s) = T_{\text{start}} \exp(\log(T_{\text{start}}^{-1} T_{\text{end}}) s) \in SE(3)$$



- 3<sup>rd</sup>-Order, 5<sup>th</sup>-Order Polynomial Position Profile  $\begin{cases} s(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 \\ s(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 + a_4t^4 + a_5t^5 \end{cases}$
- Trapezoidal/S-Curve Velocity Profile
- Polynomial Via Point Trajectories



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