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# 1 Q1: Forward Kinematics of a SCARA robot

### 1.1 Perform Forward Kinematics

**Transformation Matrix** 

$${}^{0}T_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta_{1} & -\sin\theta_{1} & 0 & 0.4\cos\theta_{1} \\ \sin\theta_{1} & \cos\theta_{1} & 0 & 0.4\sin\theta_{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{1}T_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta_{2} & -\sin\theta_{2} & 0 & 0.3\cos\theta_{2} \\ \sin\theta_{2} & \cos\theta_{2} & 0 & 0.3\sin\theta_{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.25 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{2}T_{3(\text{E.E.})} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta_{3} & -\sin\theta_{3} & 0 & 0.15\cos\theta_{3} \\ \sin\theta_{3} & \cos\theta_{3} & 0 & 0.15\sin\theta_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.15 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Final Transformation

$${}^{0}T_{\mathrm{E.E.}} = {}^{0}T_{1} \times {}^{1}T_{2} \times {}^{2}T_{3(\mathrm{E.E.})}$$

$$=\begin{bmatrix}\cos(\theta_1+\theta_2+\theta_3) & -\sin(\theta_1+\theta_2+\theta_3) & 0 & 0.15\cos(\theta_1+\theta_2+\theta_3) + 0.3\cos(\theta_1+\theta_2) + 0.4\cos\theta_1\\ \sin(\theta_1+\theta_2+\theta_3) & \cos(\theta_1+\theta_2+\theta_3) & 0 & 0.15\sin(\theta_1+\theta_2+\theta_3) + 0.3\sin(\theta_1+\theta_2) + 0.4\sin\theta_1\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.6\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1\end{bmatrix}$$

### DH-Table

Links	$\theta$	d	a	$\alpha$
Base (0) - 1	$\theta_1$	0.2	0.4	0
1 - 2	$\theta_2$	0.25	0.3	0
2 - 3 (E.E.)	$\theta_3$	0.15	0.15	0

Table 1: My DH-Table

### Verify the result (MATLAB)

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function T = createDH_T(theta, d, a, alpha)

T = [cos(theta) -sin(theta)*cos(alpha) sin(theta)*sin(alpha) a*cos(theta);

sin(theta) cos(theta)*cos(alpha) -cos(theta)*sin(alpha) a*sin(theta)

o sin(alpha) cos(alpha) d

o 0 0 0 1];
end
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Figure 1: My function to create DH transformation matrix.

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| Ql_m x Ql_m x Ql_m x | Ql_m
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### 1.2 Home position

When  $\theta_1 = 0^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_2 = 0^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_3 = 0^{\circ}$ , the homogeneous transformation looks like this:

$${}^{0}T_{\text{E.E.}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.85\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.6\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The translation in  ${}^{0}T_{\text{E.E.}}$  matches the given end effector position (x, y, z) = (0.85, 0, 0.6).

## Verify the result (MATLAB)

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| Ql_lm | Ql_l
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## 1.3 Workspace of SCARA

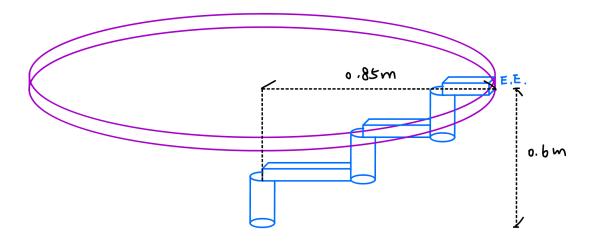


Figure 2: Hand drawn workspace of SCARA (the purple region).

When  $\theta_1=10^\circ, \theta_2=15^\circ, \theta_3=20^\circ,$  the homogeneous transformation looks like this:

$${}^{0}T_{\mathrm{E.E.}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & 0.7719 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & 0.3023 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Verify the result (MATLAB)

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| Olim |
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# 2 Q2:Forward Kinematics Simulator in Simulink

### 2.1 Create SCARA simulation model.

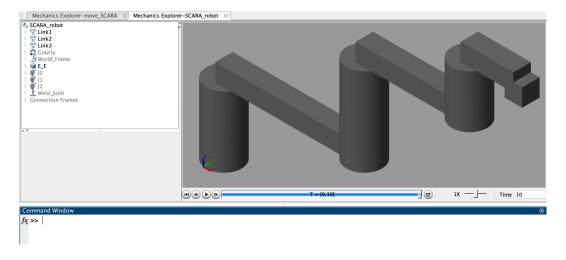
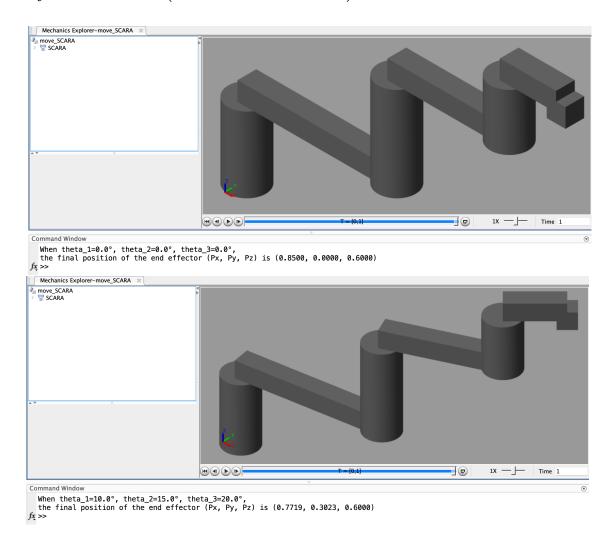


Figure 3: The SCARA robot's simulation model I built.

# 2.2 Verify the FK result (MATLAB & Simulink)



The top image is the validation of 1.2, and the bottom one is the validation of 1.3. Both answers match the calculated results in 1.2 and 1.3.

# 3 Q3: Inverse Kinematics Simulation

### 3.1 Z coordinates in workspace

The Z coordinate of the end effector is always at 0.6 m due to the design of the robot.

### 3.2 Inverse Kinematics with MATLAB code

In this subproblem, I chose a random position (0.0280, -0.0796, 0.6000) for the robot first and perform inverse kinematics. The result can be seen in Figure 3.2.

# 3.3 Using End Effector to draw a square

The coordinates of each vertex the square I chose is (0.5, 0.2, 0.6), (0.5, -0.2, 0.6), (0.8, -0.2, 0.6) and (0.8, 0.2, 0.6). The input position signal can be seen in Figure 4. The generated  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$ ,  $\theta_3$  from inverse kinematics is plotted in Figure 5. Run the attached file 'draw\_square.m' in folder Q3 to activate the simulator.

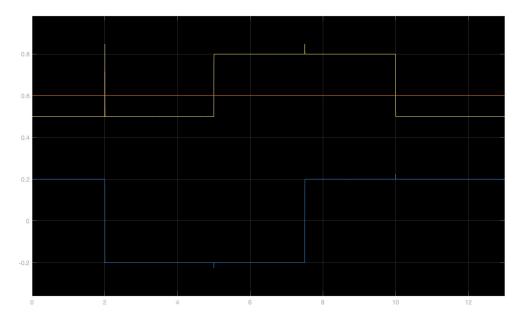


Figure 4: The position of the end effector over time  $(0 \sim 13s)$ . The yellow line is the X coordinate, the blue line is the Y coordinate, and the red line is the Z coordinate.

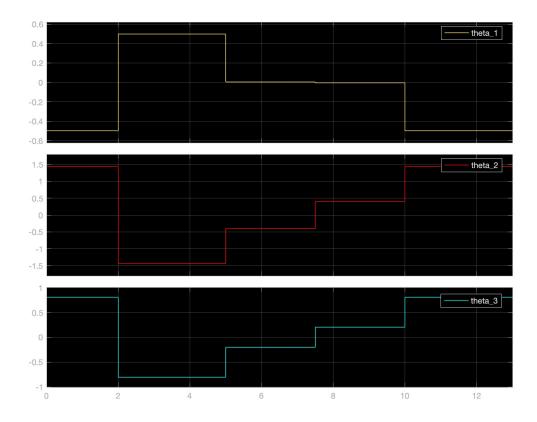


Figure 5: The calculated theta from the inverse kinematics simulations.

### Top view of the position of the end effector

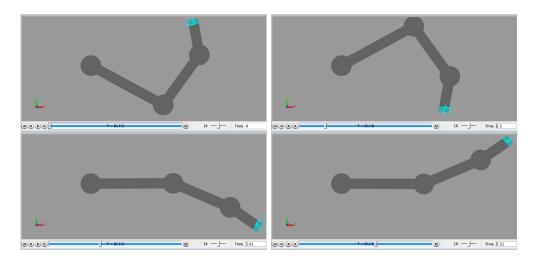


Figure 6: The top left image is the starting position of drawing a square, where t = 0s. The top right image is when t = 2.5s. The bottom left image represents t = 5s, while the bottom right one shows when t = 7.5s.