

Last Time:

- SQP
- Direct Collocation

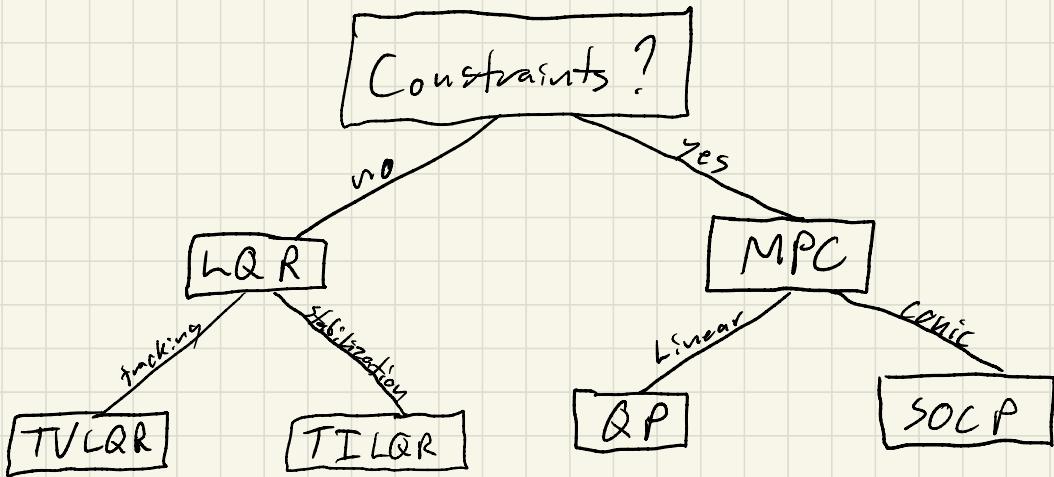
Today:

- Algorithm Recap
- Dealing with Attitude (3D rotations)

* Recap : Deterministic Optimal Control Algorithms

- Linear / "Local" Control

≈ "Linearization works"



- Nonlinear Trajectory Optimization / Planning

DIRCOL

Only respects dynamics at convergence

Can use infeasible guess

Can handle arbitrary constraints

Tracking controller must be designed separately

Typically not as fast

Difficult to supplement large-scale SQP solver

Numerically robust

DDP

Always dynamically feasible

Can only guess controls

Hard to handle constraints

TVLQR tracking controller is free

Very fast (local) convergence

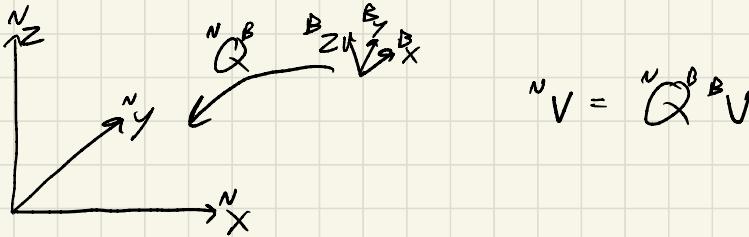
Easy to implement on embedded systems

Has issues with ill-conditioning

- DDP is often a good choice for online/real-time applications where speed is critical and constraint tolerance is not critical.
- DIRCOL is often a good choice for offline trajectory design, especially over long horizons and/or with complex constraints.

7 Attitude

- Many robotic systems undergo large rotations (quadrotors, airoplanes, spacecraft, underwater vehicles, legged robots)
- Naive angle-based parameterizations (Euler angles) have singularities that cause failures and/or require locks
- Rotation matrices and quaternions are singularity free but optimizing over them requires some extra tricks.
- What is Attitude?



- Rotation from body frame to world frame
- 3 DOF, but there is no globally nonsingular 3-parameter attitude representation.

- Rotation / "Direction-Cosine" Matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} {}^N X_1 \\ {}^N X_2 \\ {}^N X_3 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} {}^B n_1^\top \\ {}^B n_2^\top \\ {}^B n_3^\top \end{bmatrix}}_Q \begin{bmatrix} {}^B X_1 \\ {}^B X_2 \\ {}^B X_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} {}^N b_1 & {}^N b_2 & {}^N b_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} {}^B X_1 \\ {}^B X_2 \\ {}^B X_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

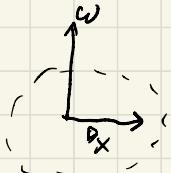
$$\Rightarrow Q^T Q = I \Rightarrow Q^{-1} = Q^T$$

\Rightarrow "Orthogonal"

$$\Rightarrow \det(Q) = 1 \quad \text{"special"}$$

$Q \in SO(3)$ "Special Orthogonal group in 3D"

- Kinematics (how do I integrate a gyro)



$${}^N X = Q(t) {}^B X, \quad {}^N \dot{X} = {}^N \omega \times {}^N X$$

$$= Q({}^B \omega \times {}^B X)$$

- Apply chain rule:

$${}^N \dot{X} = Q {}^B \dot{X} \Rightarrow {}^N \ddot{X} = \underbrace{\dot{Q} {}^B X}_{\text{red arrow}} + Q \ddot{B} X$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{Q} {}^B X = Q({}^B \omega \times {}^B X)$$

$$\omega \times x = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_3 & \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 & 0 & -\omega_1 \\ -\omega_2 & \omega_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\hat{\omega}} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{\omega} x$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{Q}^{\frac{d}{dt}} x = Q \hat{\omega}^{\frac{d}{dt}} x \Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{Q} = \tilde{Q}^{\frac{d}{dt}} \hat{\omega}}$$

- We could do dynamics with rotation matrices in our state, but has a lot of redundancy
- Quaternions are more compact/efficient
- Define axis of rotation (unit vector) a
- Define angle of rotation (scalar, radians) θ

$$\underbrace{\phi}_{\text{"axis-angle" vector } \in \mathbb{R}^3} = a\theta$$

$$\|\phi\| = \theta, \frac{\phi}{\|\phi\|} = a$$

- For constant ω (for shot h) can think of ϕ as integral of ω :

$$\phi \approx \int_0^h \omega dt$$

(not true in general)

- In terms of ϕ , we can define quaternion:

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta/2) \\ \mathbf{v} \sin(\theta/2) \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{"scalar part"} \quad \leftarrow \text{"vector part"}$$

* $q^T q = 1 \Rightarrow$ "Valid rotations" correspond to "unit quaternions". Easy to normalize.

* q and $-q$ correspond to the same same rotation (add 2π to ϕ). Called a "double cover".

* Operations on quaternions are analogs to rotation matrices.

- Quaternion Multiplication:

$$q_1 * q_2 = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} s_2 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 s_2 - \mathbf{v}_1^T \mathbf{v}_2 \\ s_1 \mathbf{v}_2 + s_2 \mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_1 & -\mathbf{v}_1^T \\ \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{sI} + \hat{\mathbf{v}}_1 \end{bmatrix}}_{L(q_1)} \begin{bmatrix} s_2 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_2 & -\mathbf{v}_2^T \\ \mathbf{v}_2 & \mathbf{sI} - \hat{\mathbf{v}}_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{R(q_2)} \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Quaternion Conjugate:

$$q^T = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ -\mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix} = T_q = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s \\ \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Rotate a Vector:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vec{x} \\ \vec{y} \end{bmatrix} = q * \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vec{x} \end{bmatrix} * q^+ = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} H^T L(q) R^T(q) H^T \\ H^T R^T(q) L(q) H^T \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{gives } Q(q)} \vec{x}$$

$$H\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vec{x} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

- Quaternion Kinematics:

$$\dot{q} = \frac{1}{2} q * \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vec{\omega} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{L(q) H \vec{\omega}}_{4 \times 3}$$

- Now we can simulate dynamics with quaternions