



# Robot Motion Control

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# Main References

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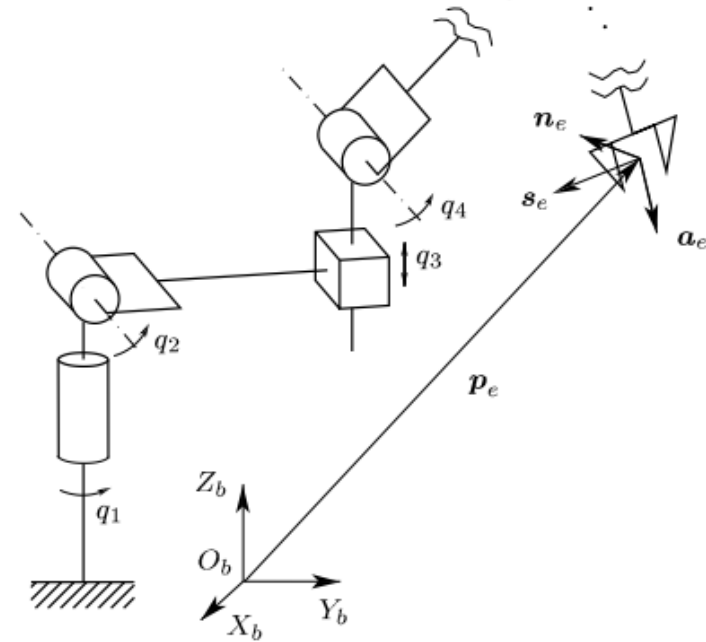


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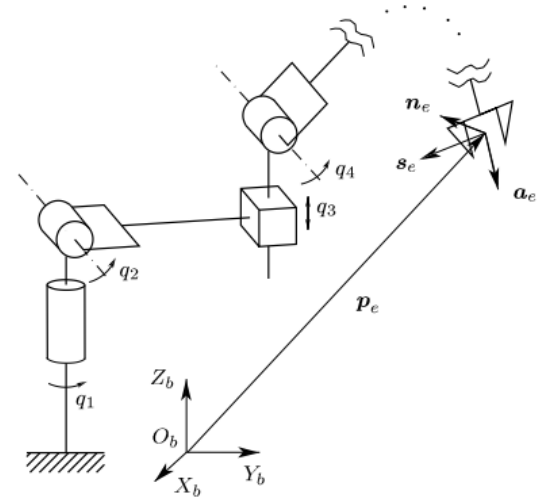
# Terminology

- Open chain robot
- End effector position  $p_e$
- End effector orientation  $R_e$
- Joint variables  $q = (q_1, \dots, q_n)^T$
- Forward kinematic  $p_e = p_e(q), R_e = R_e(q)$



# Terminology

- Joint velocities  $\dot{q}$
- EE linear vel  $\dot{p}_e$
- EE angular vel  $\omega_e, \dot{R}_e = S(\omega_e)R_e$
- Differential kinematics  $v_e = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p}_e \\ \omega_e \end{bmatrix}, v_e = J(q)\dot{q}$
- Geometric Jacobian matrix  $J(q)$
- Forward kinematics  $x_e = \begin{bmatrix} p_e \\ \phi_e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_P(q) \\ k_O(q) \end{bmatrix} = k(q)$



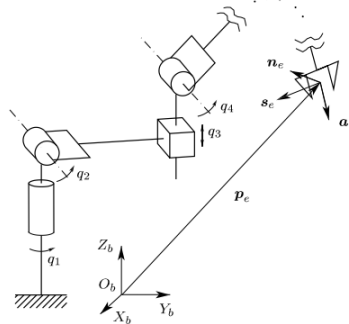
# Orientation representation

- Euler angles
- Rotation matrix
- Axis angle
- Quaternions
- ...



# Modeling / Dynamics

Lagrangian  
Newton-Euler



Joint space dynamic model

$$B(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) + f(q, \dot{q}) = \tau - J^T(q)h_e$$

Coriolis and centrifugal effects  $C(q, \dot{q})$

Gravity component  $g(q)$

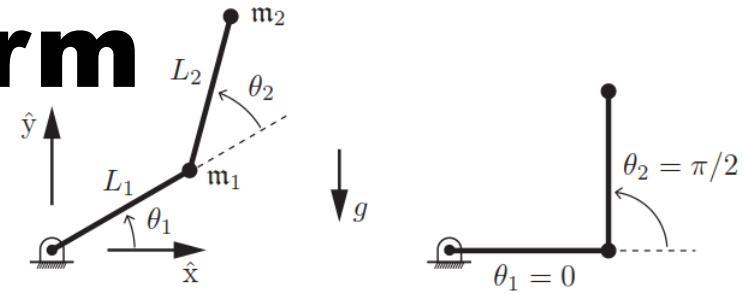
Friction/non-conservative forces. For example  $f(q, \dot{q}) = F\dot{q}$

Force and torque exerted by the EE to environment  $h_e$

Actuator torque/forces  $\tau$

# Two-link planar arm

- $B(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) + f(q, \dot{q}) = \tau - J^T(q)h_e$
- $q = (\theta_1, \theta_2)^T$



$$M(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 L_1^2 + m_2 (L_1^2 + 2L_1 L_2 \cos \theta_2 + L_2^2) & m_2 (L_1 L_2 \cos \theta_2 + L_2^2) \\ m_2 (L_1 L_2 \cos \theta_2 + L_2^2) & m_2 L_2^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$C(\theta, \dot{\theta})\dot{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} -m_2 L_1 L_2 \sin \theta_2 (2\dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 + \dot{\theta}_2^2) \\ m_2 L_1 L_2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 \sin \theta_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$g(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} (m_1 + m_2) L_1 g \cos \theta_1 + m_2 g L_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ m_2 g L_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{bmatrix},$$



# Notable properties/skew symmetric

$$B(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) + f(q, \dot{q}) = \tau - J^T(q)h_e$$

Define  $N = \dot{B} - 2C$

1)  $\dot{q}^T N \dot{q} = 0$  (valid for all choices of  $C$ )

2) Writing  $C$  using *Chrostoffel* symbols leads to **skew symmetric**  $N$ , that is,  $w^T N w = 0, \forall w$

# Notable properties/linearity in parameters

$$B(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) + f(q, \dot{q}) = \tau$$
$$Y(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q})\pi = \tau$$

$\pi$  a vector of dynamic parameters  $p \times 1$

$$\pi_i = [m_i \quad m_i \ell_{C_{ix}} \quad m_i \ell_{C_{iy}} \quad m_i \ell_{C_{iz}} \quad \hat{I}_{ixx} \quad \hat{I}_{ixy} \quad \hat{I}_{ixz} \quad \hat{I}_{iyy} \quad \hat{I}_{iyz} \quad \hat{I}_{izz} \quad I_{m_i}]^T$$

Usually 13 parameters per joint: masses/inertia, length, friction coefficients

$Y(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q})$  called regressor (contains no parameters)

$$x_e = \begin{bmatrix} p_e \\ \phi_e \end{bmatrix} \quad v_e = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p}_e \\ \dot{\omega}_e \end{bmatrix}$$

# Modeling in task space

Although you do not need to know how to derive these models, you need to know their size, meaning/properties, expressed frames,

$$B_A(x_e)\ddot{x}_e + C_A(x_e, \dot{x}_e)\dot{x}_e + g_A(x_e) = \gamma_A - h_A$$

$$B_A = (J_A B^{-1} J_A^T)^{-1}$$

$$C_A \dot{x}_e = B_A J_A B^{-1} C \dot{q} - B_A \dot{J}_A \dot{q}$$

$$g_A = B_A J_A B^{-1} g,$$

$$T_A^T(x_e) \gamma_e = \gamma_A \quad T_A^T(x_e) h_e = h_A$$

$$v_e = \begin{bmatrix} I & O \\ O & T(\phi_e) \end{bmatrix} \dot{x}_e = T_A(\phi_e) \dot{x}_e$$

$$J = T_A(\phi) J_A \quad v_e = J \dot{q}$$

Analytical Jacobian  $J_A$ , Geometric Jacobian  $J$ ,

- Geometric Jacobian used when handling variable with clear physical meanings, while Analytical Jacobian when using differential quantities



# Two-link planar arm

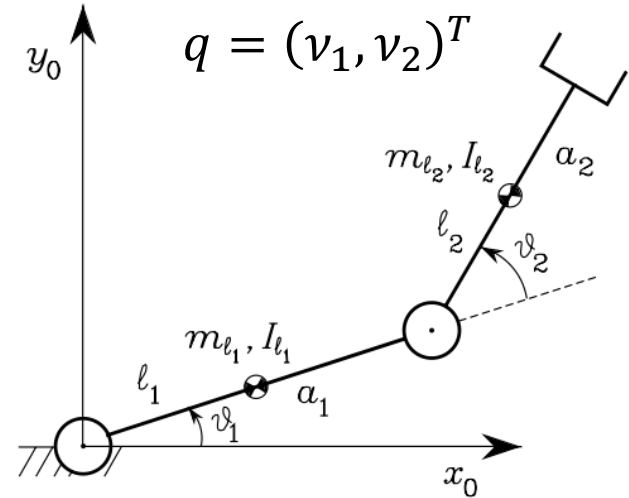
- Jacobians up to certain link

$$J_P^{(\ell_1)} = \begin{bmatrix} -\ell_1 s_1 & 0 \\ \ell_1 c_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad J_P^{(\ell_2)} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 s_1 - \ell_2 s_{12} & -\ell_2 s_{12} \\ a_1 c_1 + \ell_2 c_{12} & \ell_2 c_{12} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$J_O^{(\ell_1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad J_O^{(\ell_2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{p}_{l1} = J_P^{l1} \dot{q}, \dot{\omega}_{l1} = J_O^{l1} \dot{q}, \dots$$

*Check (7.16) to (7.29) for further details*



# Direct dynamics (Simulation)

**Given**  $\tau(t), h_e(t), q(0), \dot{q}(0)$ , **what is**  $q(t)$

- $B\ddot{q} + C\dot{q} + g + f = \tau - J^T h_e$
- $\tau_q(q, \dot{q}, h_e) = C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) + f(q, \dot{q}) + J^T(q)h_e$
- $\ddot{q} = B^{-1}(q)(\tau - \tau_q)$
- Example: a Simulink block with (appropriate solver)
  - input  $q, \dot{q}, h_e, \tau$
  - output  $\ddot{q} \rightarrow$  integrate twice to produce  $q, \dot{q}$

# Inverse dynamic

**Given**  $q(t), h_e(t)$ , **what is**  $\tau(t)$

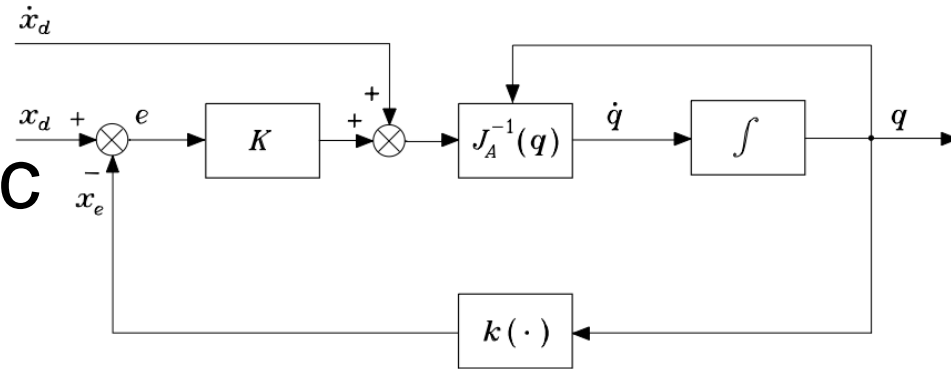
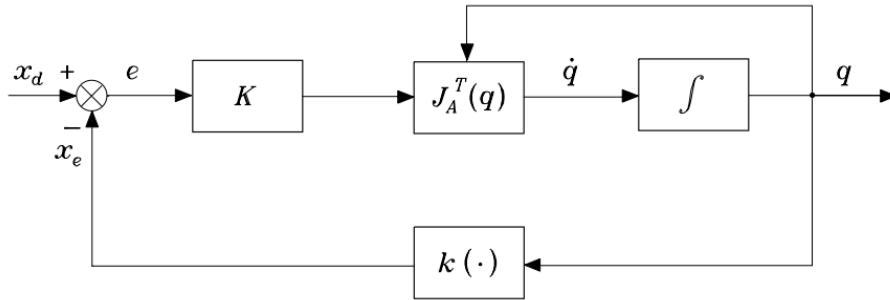
- $B\ddot{q} + C\dot{q} + g + f = \tau - J^T h_e$
- Used for trajectory generation and robot control
- Usually:  $x_e(t) \xrightarrow{\text{Inverse Kin.}} q(t) \xrightarrow{\text{Inverse Dyn.}} \tau(t)$
- $O(n^2)$ : Direct dynamics
- $O(n)$ : Inverse dynamics



# Inverse Kinematics

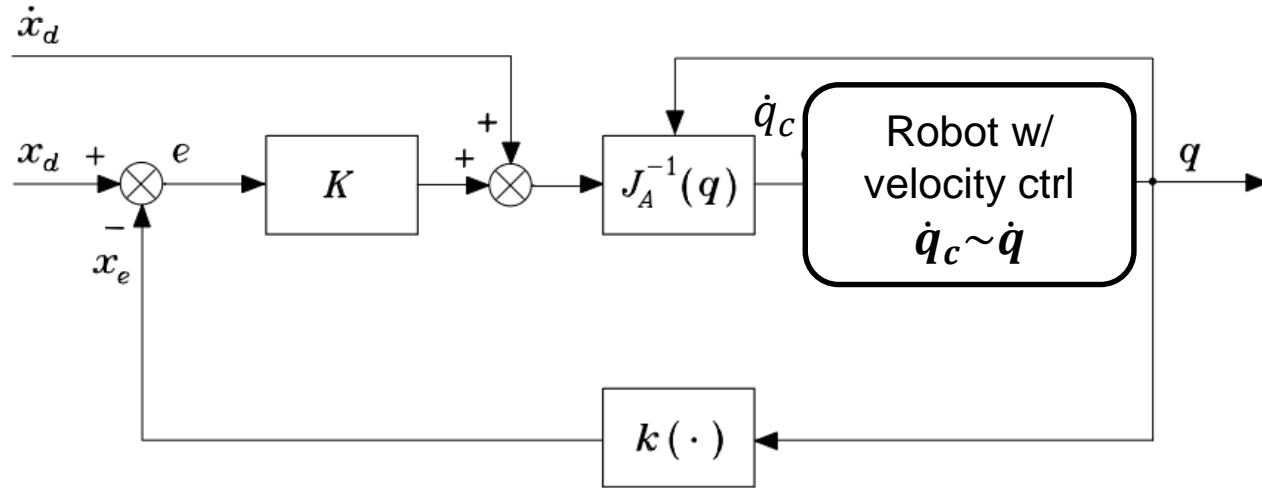
## Asymptotic solution

assuming  $J_A$  is  
square and symmetric

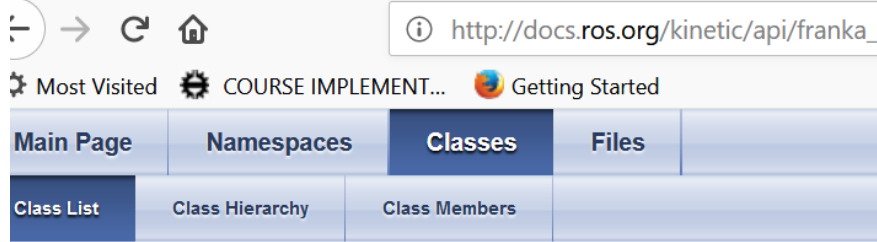


$k(\cdot)$  is direct kinematic function

# Kinematic control







## Class List

Here are the classes, structs, unions and interfaces with brief descriptions:

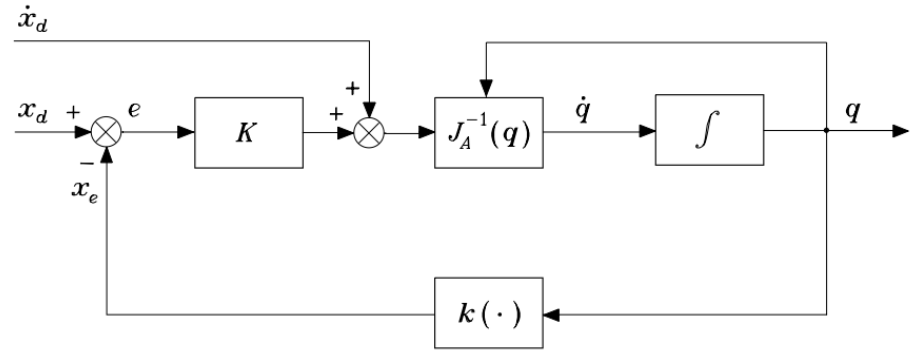
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[https://frankaemika.github.io/docs/franka\\_ros.html#franka-example-controllers](https://frankaemika.github.io/docs/franka_ros.html#franka-example-controllers)

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# Proof



- $e = x_d - x_e$
- $\dot{q} = J_A^{-1}(\dot{x}_d + Ke) \rightarrow \dot{e} + Ke = 0, K > 0$

Exponential stable, that is,  $e \rightarrow 0$  or remains zero if it is initially zero.

**NOTE:** computation of  $x_d$  and  $\dot{x}_d$  for orientation may be involved depending on the choice of orientation representation and corresponding error

# Stability

## Lyapunov direct method

- Given a nonlinear system  $\dot{e} = f(e)$ , with  $f(0) = 0$  (*equilibrium*)
- If there is a function  $V(e)$ , such that

$$V(e) > 0, e \neq 0$$

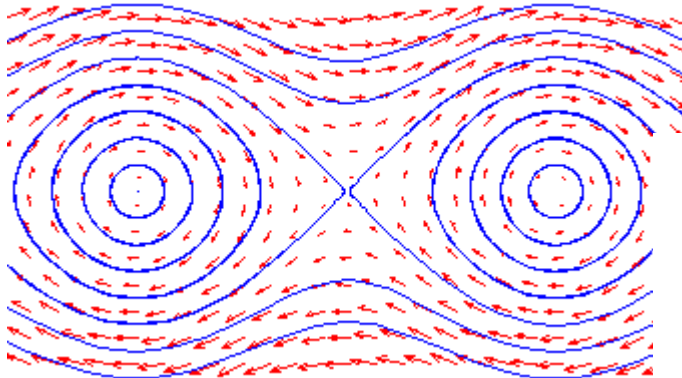
$$V(e) = 0 \Leftrightarrow e = 0 \quad \& \quad f(e) \cdot \nabla V(e) < 0, \forall e \neq 0$$

$$V(e) \rightarrow \infty, \|e\| \rightarrow \infty$$

- Then origin ( $e = 0$ ) is globally asymptotically stable equilibrium of  $\dot{e} = f(e)$   
Example:  $V(e) = e^T e$
- *There are several variations. I will present the simplest form to give the idea. Check H Khalil Nonlinear Systems*
- *Appendix C.3.*

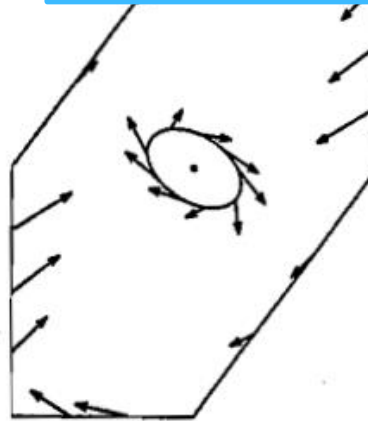


# Intuition behind Lyapunov stability

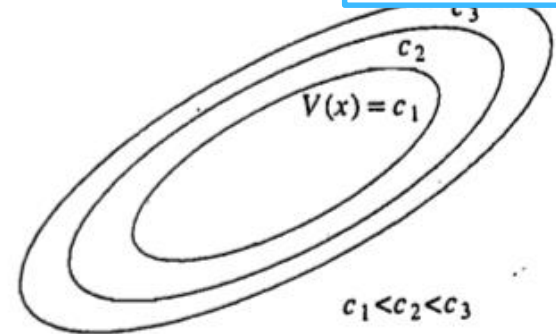


$f(e)$   
Frictionless pendulum  
vector field

If at the boundaries  
 $f(e) \cdot \nabla V(e) < 0$ , then  
system trajectories cannot  
leave the boundary



$V(e) > 0$   
Closed level  
curves



# Example

- $\dot{e} = -Ke$ , with  $K > 0, K = K^T, (e = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{e} = 0)$

$$V(e) = \frac{1}{2} e^T e \rightarrow \dot{V} = e^T \dot{e} = -e^T K e < 0$$

- $\dot{e} = Ae$  under what conditions this is stable?



# Example $\dot{e} = Ae$

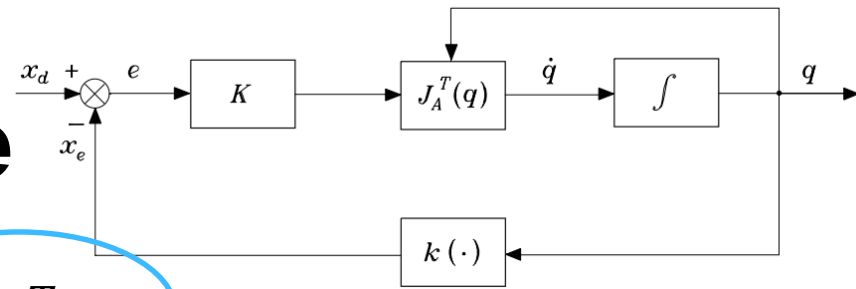
- $V(e) = \frac{1}{2}e^T P e, P > 0$

$$\dot{V} = \frac{1}{2}e^T P \dot{e} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{e}^T P e = \frac{1}{2}e^T (PA + A^T P)e = -\frac{1}{2}e^T Q e, \text{ if } Q > 0$$

- $PA + A^T P = -Q$  the famous Lyapunov equations. Usually we do not know  $P$ .
- There are solutions for this: given  $A$  and  $Q > 0$  find  $P > 0$   
 $P$  exists if  $A$  stable (all eigenvalues have negative real part)



# Example, $J_A^T$ case



- $\dot{e} = \dot{x}_d - \dot{x}_e = \dot{x}_d - J_A \dot{q}$ ,  $\dot{q} = J_A^T K e$ ,
- $V(e) = \frac{1}{2} e^T K e \Rightarrow \dot{V} = e^T K \dot{e}$
- Simple case of  $\dot{x}_d = 0$ , or  $\dot{e} = -J_A J_A^T K e$

The gradient method for solving inverse kinematic

$$\dot{V} = -e^T K J_A J_A^T K e < 0 \Rightarrow e \rightarrow 0$$

- When  $\dot{x}_d \neq 0$ , there will be some error
- We could start with choosing  $V$  and then derive  $\dot{q} = J_A^T K e$

# Lyapunov positive definiteness

- State vector  $(x_1, x_2)$ , with equilibrium  $(0,0)$
- Mass-spring-damper  $\dot{x} = v, \dot{v} = -\frac{k}{m}x - \frac{b}{m}v$
- Positive definite (a Lyapunov function)?

$$V = x_1^2 ?$$

$$V = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2 ?$$

$$V = (1 - \cos x_1) + x_2^2 ?$$





# Dynamic motion control

- High gear ration and low speeds and accelerations: independent joint control
- We will skip the details of decentralized control, there are lots of *art* there.
- Straight to centralized control



# Simple case of PD control + Gravity compensation

- $B(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) + f(q, \dot{q}) = u$

$$f(q, \dot{q}) = F\dot{q}$$

- $\tilde{q} = q_d - q$

$q_d$  constant for now

- Error state  $(\tilde{q}, \dot{q})$
- Objective  $(\tilde{q}, \dot{q}) \rightarrow 0$

# Lyapunov direct method

$$V(\dot{q}, \tilde{q}) = \frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^T B(q) \dot{q} + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{q}^T K_P \tilde{q} > 0 \quad \forall \dot{q}, \tilde{q} \neq 0$$

$$\dot{V} = \dot{q}^T B(q) \ddot{q} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^T \dot{B}(q) \dot{q} - \dot{q}^T K_P \tilde{q}.$$

$$\dot{V} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^T (\dot{B}(q) - 2C(q, \dot{q})) \dot{q} - \dot{q}^T F \dot{q} + \dot{q}^T (u - g(q) - K_P \tilde{q})$$

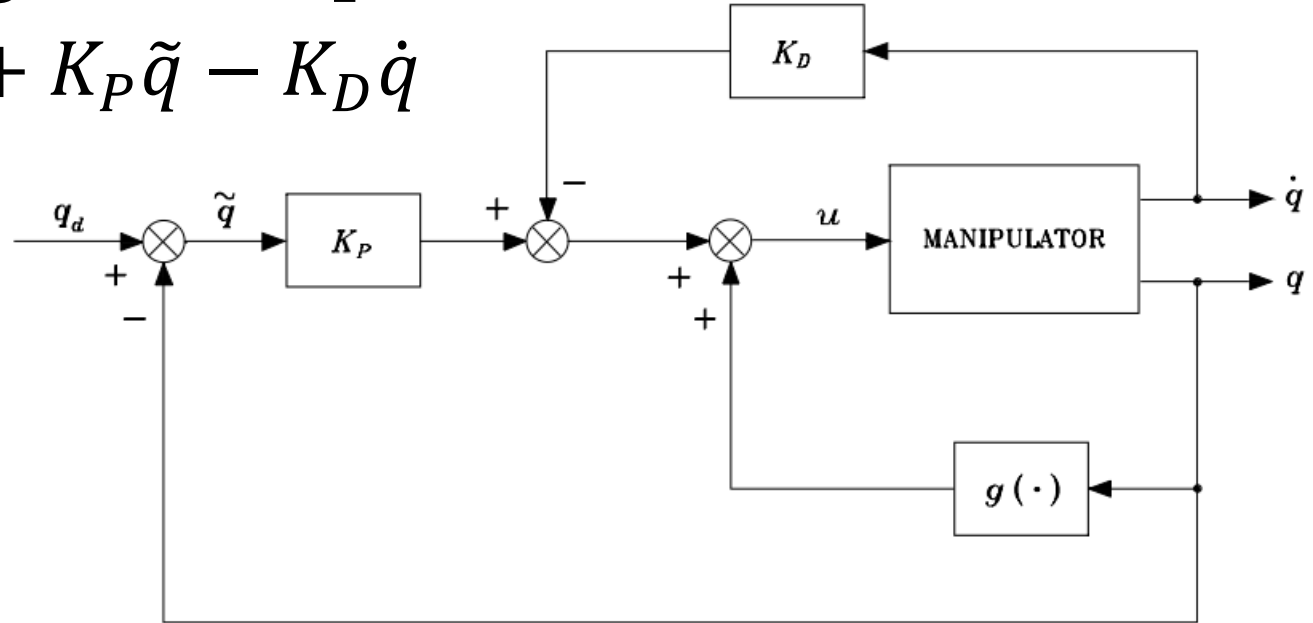
Choose  $u$  such that to  
make the  $\dot{V}$  negative

$$u = g(q) + K_P \tilde{q} - K_D \dot{q},$$

$$\dot{V} = -\dot{q}^T (F + K_D) \dot{q}.$$

# PD control + gravity compensation

$$u = g(q) + K_P \tilde{q} - K_D \dot{q}$$



# Inverse dynamics control

Robot model

$$B(q)\ddot{q} + n(q, \dot{q}) = u,$$

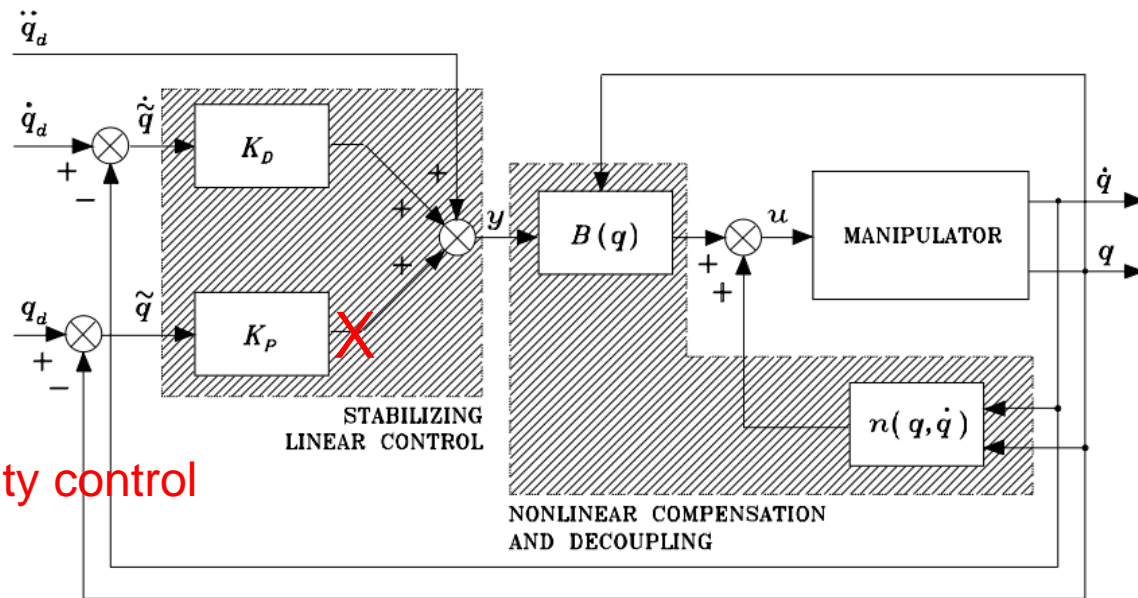
$$n(q, \dot{q}) = C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + F\dot{q} + g(q).$$

Feedback linearization control loop

$$u = B(q)y + n(q, \dot{q})$$

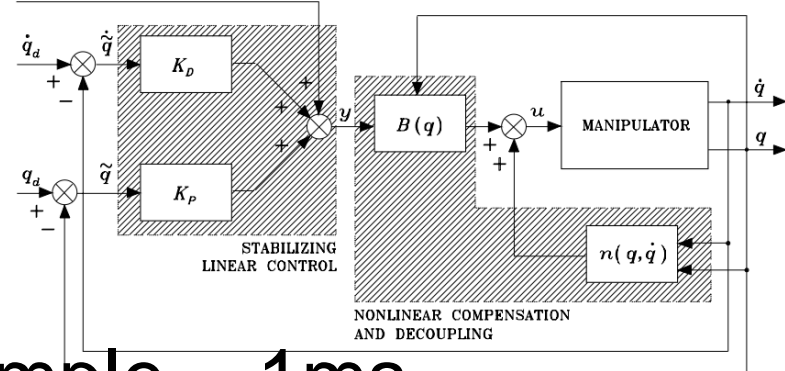
Closed-loop equivalent linear system  $\ddot{\tilde{q}} = y$

$$\ddot{\tilde{q}} + K_D \dot{\tilde{q}} + K_P \tilde{q} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{velocity control}$$



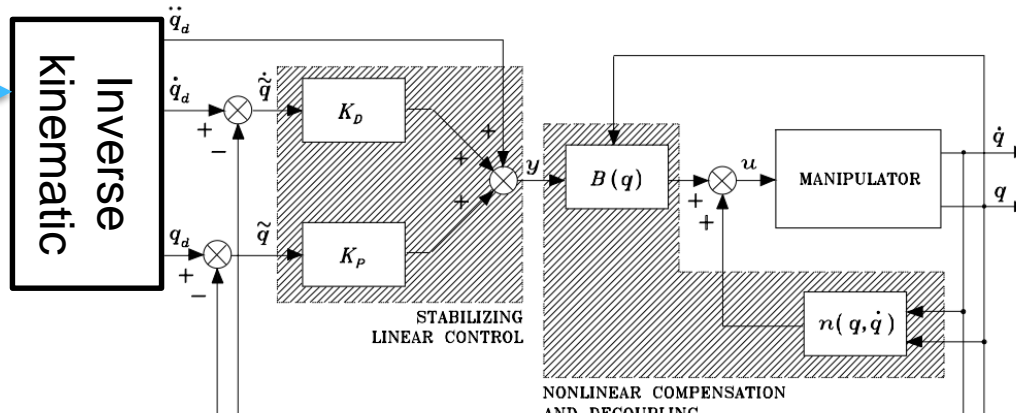
# Inverse dynamics control

- Exact knowledge of  $B(q)$  and  $n(q, \dot{q})$
- To be computed every sample,  $\sim 1\text{ms}$
- Robust and adaptive control technics have been developed to address parameter uncertainty and unmodeled dynamics



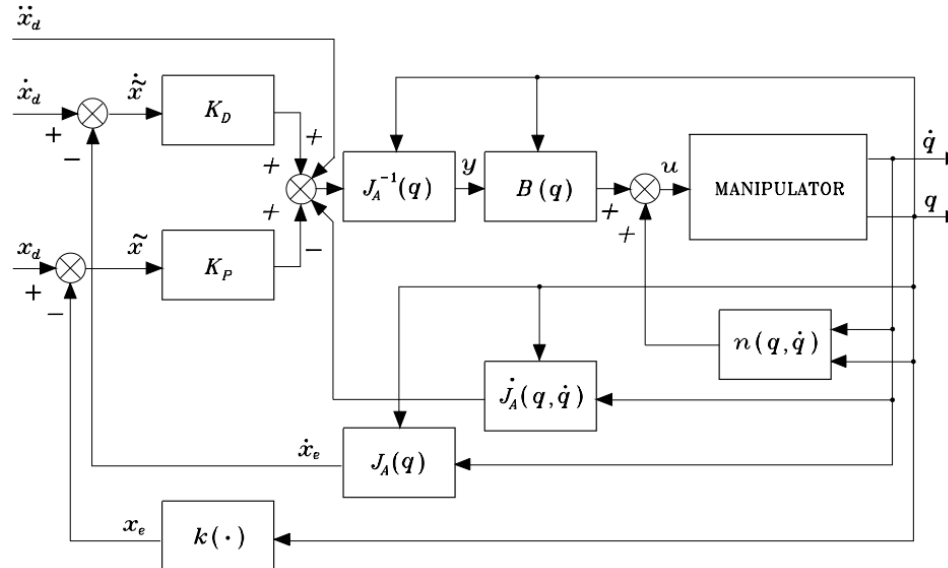


$x_d, \dot{x}_d, \ddot{x}_d$



**Two different ways to control the robot, given task space trajectories**

**Compare this with Kinematic control!**

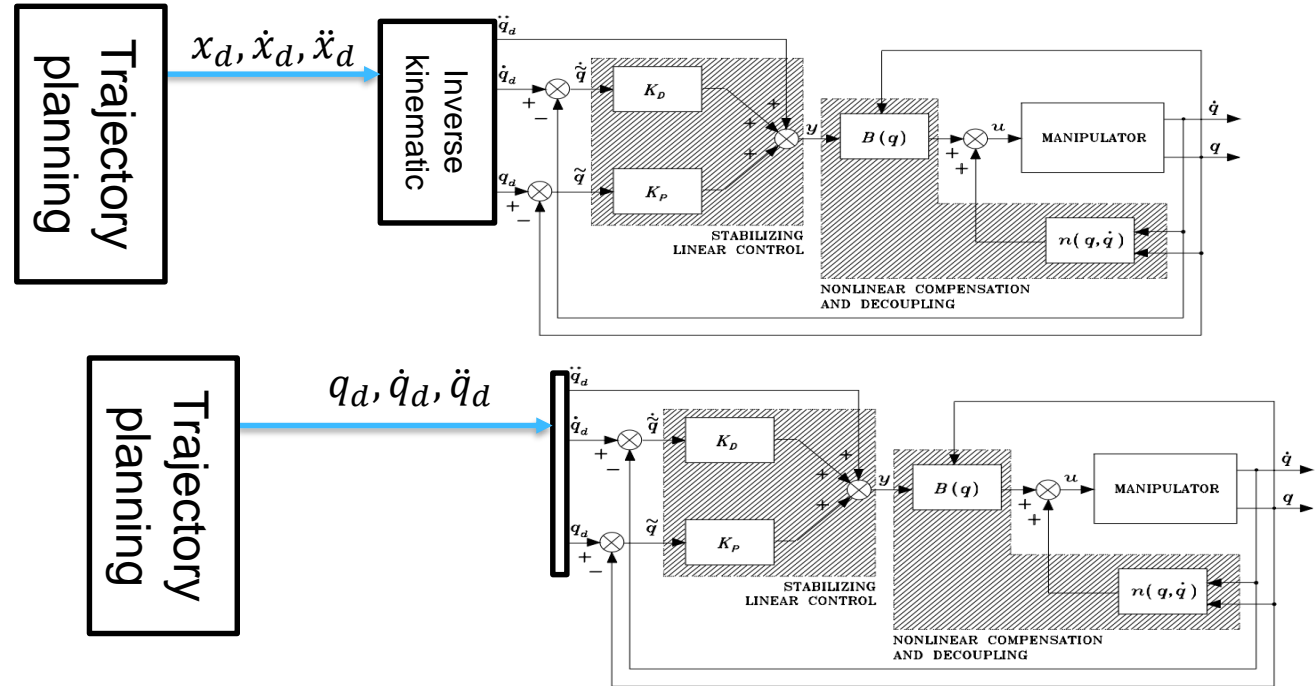




# Trajectory planning

Input to the algorithm  
 Initial  $x_d(0), \dot{x}_d(0), \dots$   
 Goal  $x_d(1), \dot{x}_d(1), \dots$   
 Robot constraints  
 Obstacle map

...



# Trajectory planning

- Chapter 4, Reza's video lectures
- Sample based planning: RRT, etc + smoothing
- Learning from Demonstration (Behavior Cloning)
- Reflexxes lib: A good example what a reactive motion generator need to take into account



# Topics

- Singularities
- Redundancies



# Exercise

1. Experiment with “writing your own controller”

[https://frankaemika.github.io/docs/franka\\_ros.html#writing-your-own-controller](https://frankaemika.github.io/docs/franka_ros.html#writing-your-own-controller)

2. Implement kinematic controller
2. Implement the reactive obstacle avoidance

