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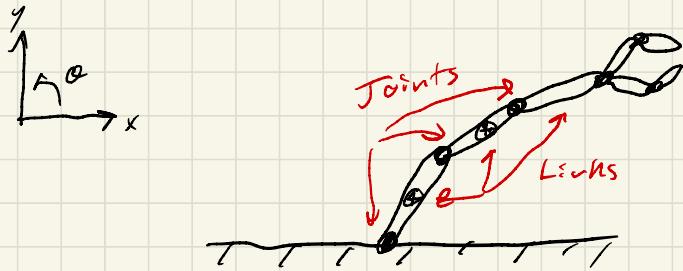
- Coulumb Friction
- Maximum Dissipation Principle
- LCP Methods

Today:

- Fixed-Base Manipulators
- Forward Kinematics
- Floating-Base Systems

Fixed-Base Manipulators:

- Classic serial/open-chain systems e.g. industrial robot arms.



- Note (for now) we won't allow any joints that form closed loops.
- For systems like this, we can easily compute the position + orientation of each link in the world frame from the joint angles. Called "forward kinematics."

- In 2D:

orientation $\theta_1 = q_1$ \leftarrow joint angle
in world frame

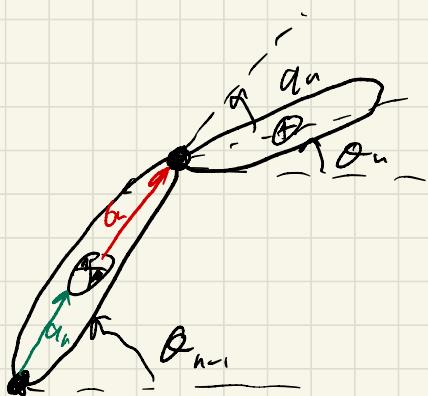
$r_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{v}_{R(\theta)}$ a_1
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Each COM position
in world frame

from $n = 2:N$

$$\theta_n = \theta_{n-1} + q_n$$

$$r_n = r_{n-1} + R_{n-1} b_{n-1} + R(\theta_n) a_n$$

$\overbrace{\quad}$ vector from CM to
next joint



- In 3D:

$${}^N R_i^B = S_i(q_i)$$

$${}^N r_i = {}^N R_i^B q_i$$

$$R_n = R_{n-1} S_n(q_n)$$

$$r_n = r_{n-1} + R_{n-1} b_{n-1} + R_n q_n$$

- Let's focus on 2D for now.

- Write down kinematics as a function:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ \theta_1 \\ r_2 \\ \theta_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \\ \theta_n \end{bmatrix} = K(q) \quad \text{~~~~~} \underbrace{R^n}_{\text{R vector of joint angles}}$$

- From this we can compute world frame linear + angular velocities of each link:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} r \\ \theta \\ \vdots \\ r_n \\ \theta_n \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial K(q)}{\partial q}}_{K(q) \in \mathbb{R}^{3n \times n}} \dot{q}$$

"Kinematic Jacobian"

- Given mass + inertia of each link, we can compute kinetic energy:

$$T = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{2} m_n \dot{r}_n^T \dot{r}_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum J_n \dot{\theta}_n^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{r}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{r}_N \\ \dot{\theta}_N \end{bmatrix}^T \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} m_1 I & & & \\ & J_1 & & 0 \\ & 0 & \ddots & \\ & & & m_N I \\ & & & J_N \end{bmatrix}}_M \begin{bmatrix} \dot{r}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{r}_N \\ \dot{\theta}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^T \underbrace{K(q)^T M K(q)}_{M(q)} \dot{q} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^T M(q) \dot{q}$$

- Similarly, we can compute $V(q)$ and $L(q, \dot{q})$

* Example: Forced double pendulum

- Joint torques are easy in this setup
- External forces applied to the links take a little more work

- We can get this from the Lagrange-D'Alembert Principle:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial q(t)} \left[\int_{t_0}^{t_f} L(q, \dot{q}) dt + \underbrace{\int_{t_0}^{t_f} F(t)^T \gamma(t) dt}_{\text{defined w.r.t. some coordinates } \gamma} \right]$$

defined w.r.t. some coordinates γ

- If we take the variational derivative:

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_f} \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) \right] \Delta q dt + \int_{t_0}^{t_f} F(t)^T \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial q} \Delta q dt$$

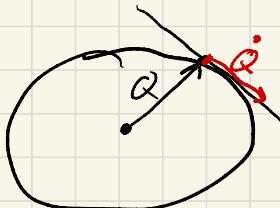
$$\Rightarrow M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q}) + G(q) = Y(q)^T F$$

* Example: double pendulum w/ external force

- To make this work in 3D we need some quaternion tricks.

Differentiating with Quaternions:

- Geometrically, a unit quaternion is confined to the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^4 :



- Intuitively, derivatives of Q live in local 3D tangent plane (like ω):

$$\dot{Q} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q * \hat{\omega} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} L(Q) H \omega$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

- I want a 3D gradient of $f(Q) : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- We can parameterize a tiny rotation with an axis-angle vector ϕ :

$$\Delta Q = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \|\phi\|) \\ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi \sin(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \|\phi\|) \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Now plug this into $f(Q)$:

$$f + \Delta f = f(Q + \Delta Q) \approx f(Q + [\frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi]) = f(Q + Q * \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi)$$

$$\approx f(Q) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial Q} L(Q) H \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta f \approx \frac{1}{\epsilon} \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} L(Q) H}_{\mathcal{G}(Q)} \phi$$

$\mathcal{G}(Q)$ "Attitude Jacobian"

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{\partial f}{\partial Q} G(Q)$$

- Whenever we want to diff a function v.r.t. a quaternion input take the standard Jacobian and left multiply by $G(Q)$.
- We can play a similar trick on functions that output a quaternions:

$$Q = f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$$

$$Q' = Q * \Delta Q \approx Q + Q * \hat{\Delta} = Q + L(Q) H \frac{1}{2} \phi$$

$$\approx f(x + \Delta x) \approx f(x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta x$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} L(Q)}_{\text{Orthogonal}} H \phi = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta x$$

Orthogonal $\Rightarrow L^T = L^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow H \phi = 2 L(Q)^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta x$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi = \underbrace{2 H^T L^T(Q)}_{G^T(Q)} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta x$$

$G^T(Q)$

- Whenever we want to diff a function with a quaternion output take the standard Jacobian and left multiply by $G^T(Q)$