



Introduction to Robotics

Manipulation and Programming

Unit 2: Kinematics

PATH PLANNING AND TRAJECTORY PLANNING

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Objectives

- What is path planning and what is trajectory planning
- Where are we going and how are we going there?
- What is parametric function?
- How to perform path planning: using parametric function to control the joint variables to send the end-effector to the target position.

Path Planning

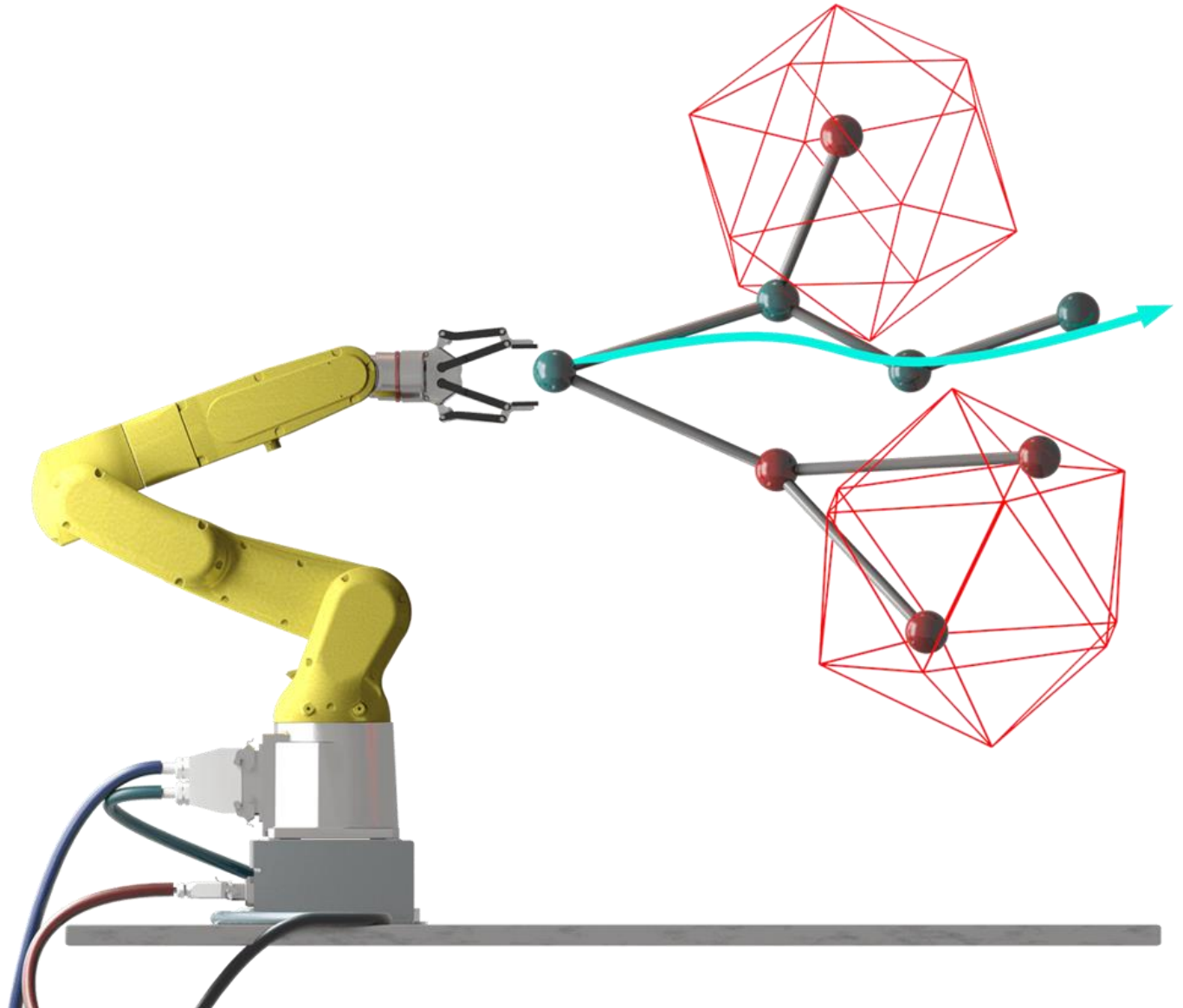
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WHERE
are we going?



Path Planning

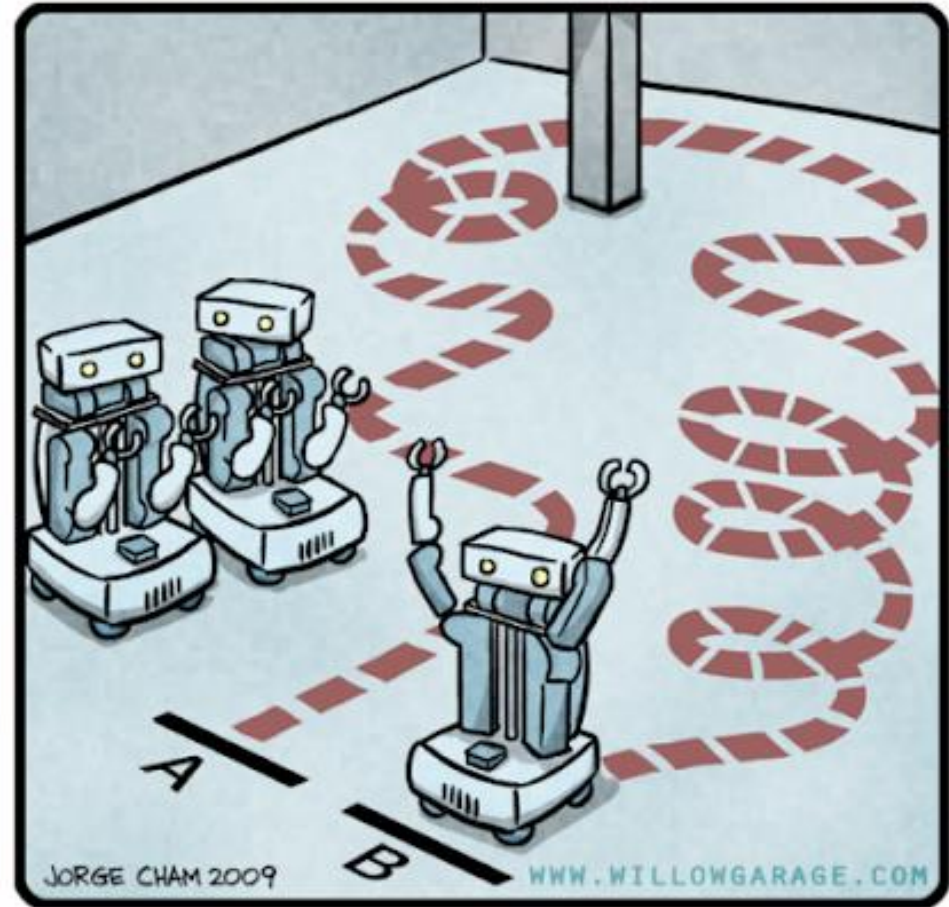
- Workspace movement planning
- Figure out the points in space through which the end-effector will pass.



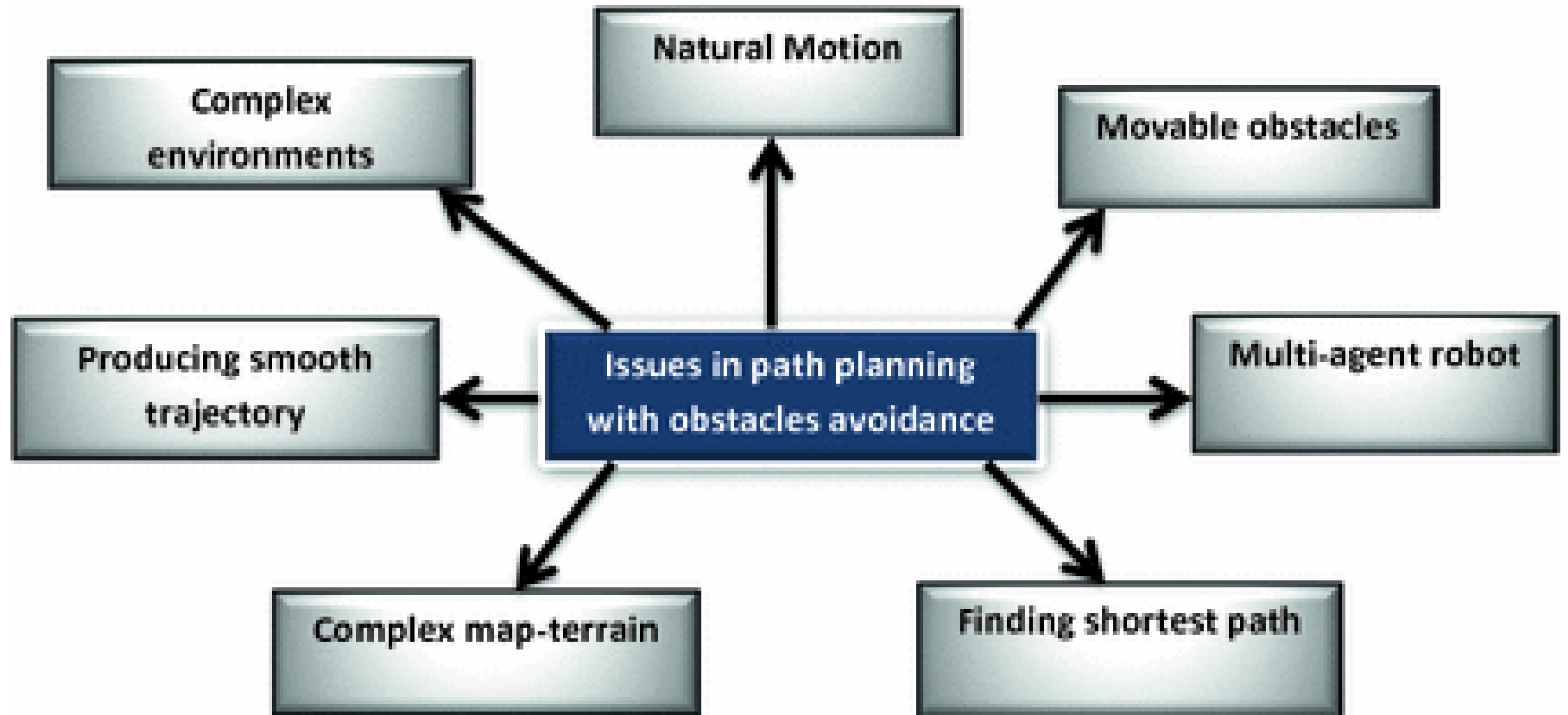
Path Planning

Movement Path Planning

R.O.B.O.T. Comics



"HIS PATH-PLANNING MAY BE
SUB-OPTIMAL, BUT IT'S GOT FLAIR."



PathPlanning classification

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graph TD; A[PathPlanning classification] --> B[based on environment]; A --> C[based on algorithm]; A --> D[based on completeness]; B --> E[Static]; B --> F[Dynamic]; C --> G[Global]; C --> H[Local]; D --> I[Exact]; D --> J[Heuristic];
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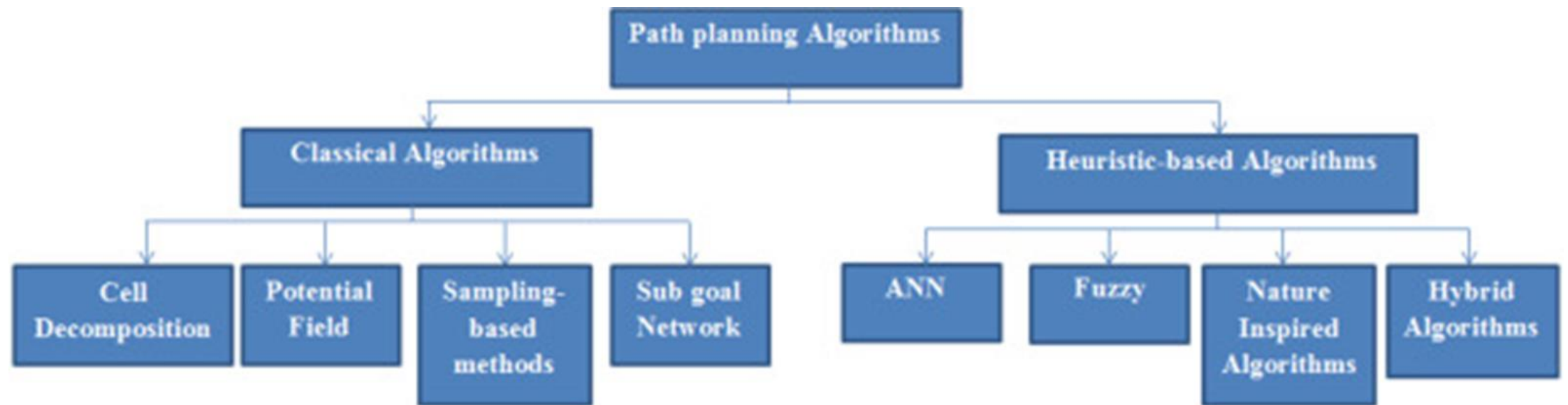
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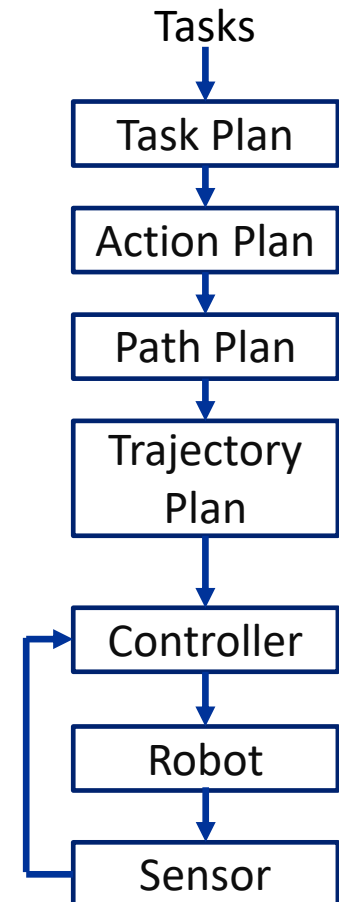
Heuristic





Path Planning

- Workspace Planning and Motion Planning
- Planning:
 1. Task plan
 2. Action Plan
 3. Path Plan
 4. Trajectory Plan
- Operation:
 1. Feedback System
 2. Sensing-Optimization-Action Loop



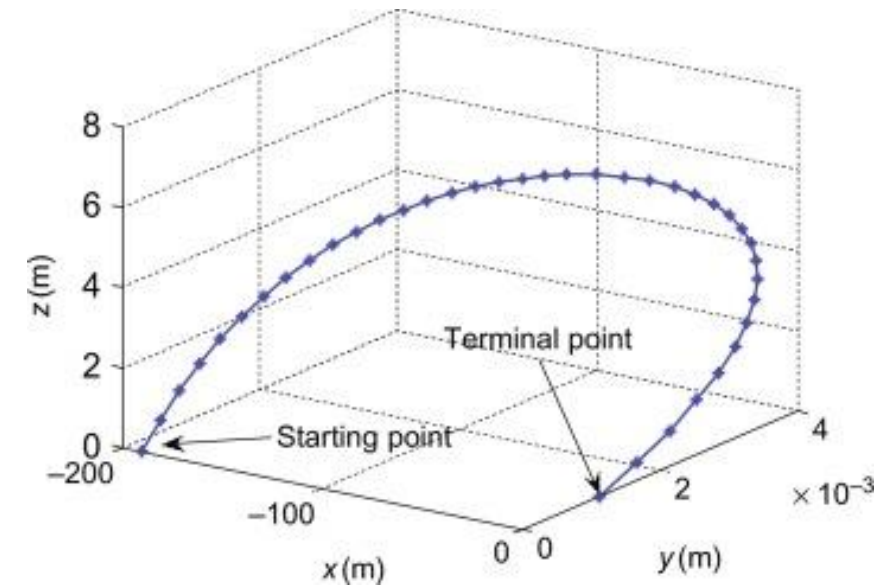
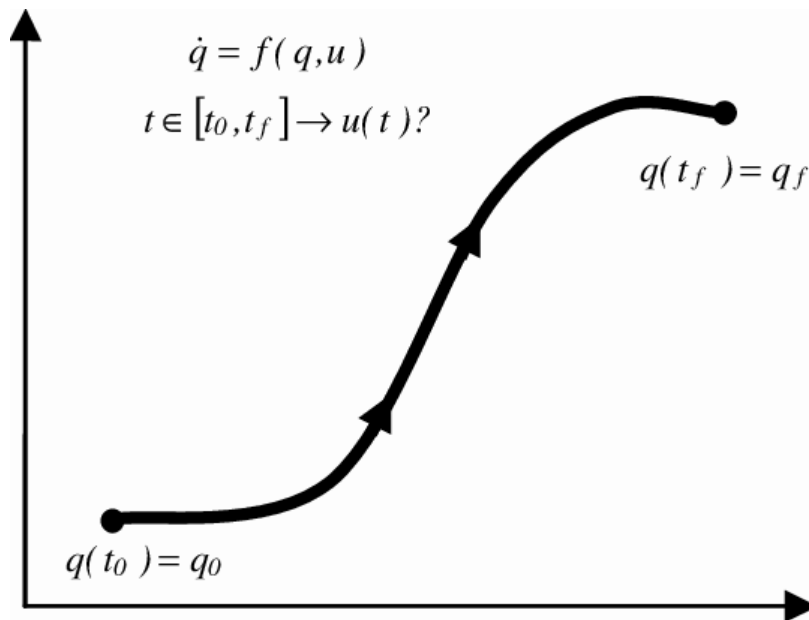
Trajectory Planning

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Trajectory Planning

- Trajectory generation: Figure out the velocity components of the end-effector motion along the path

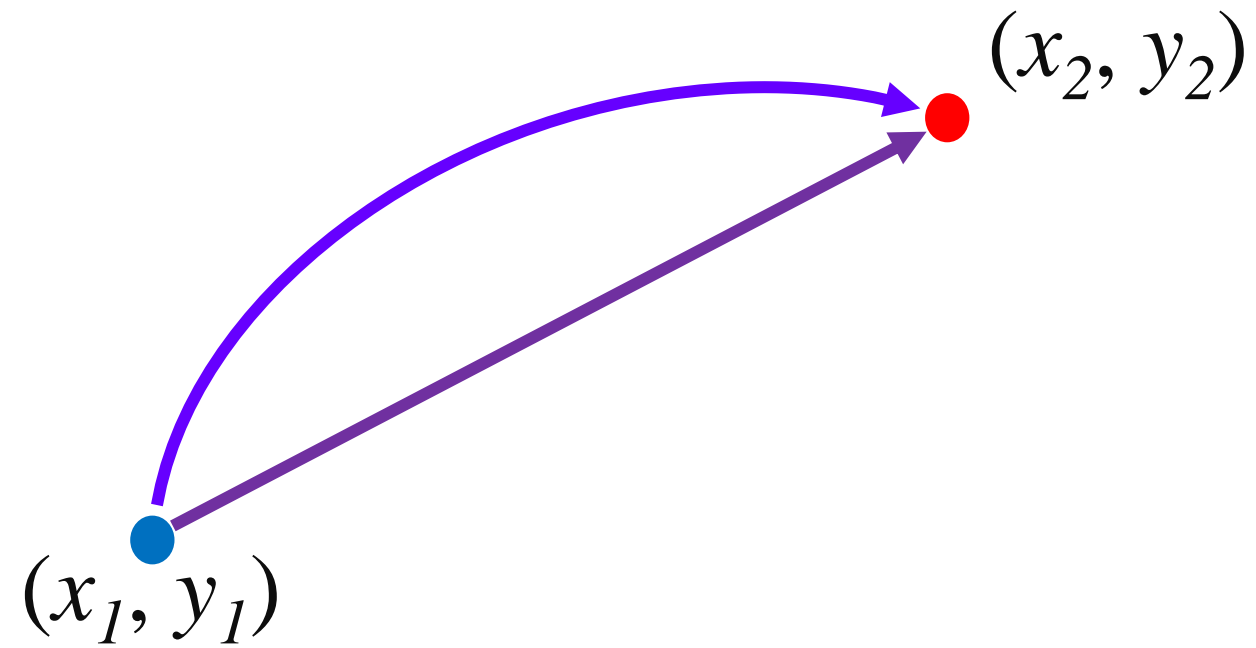


Parametric Equation

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Path Planning





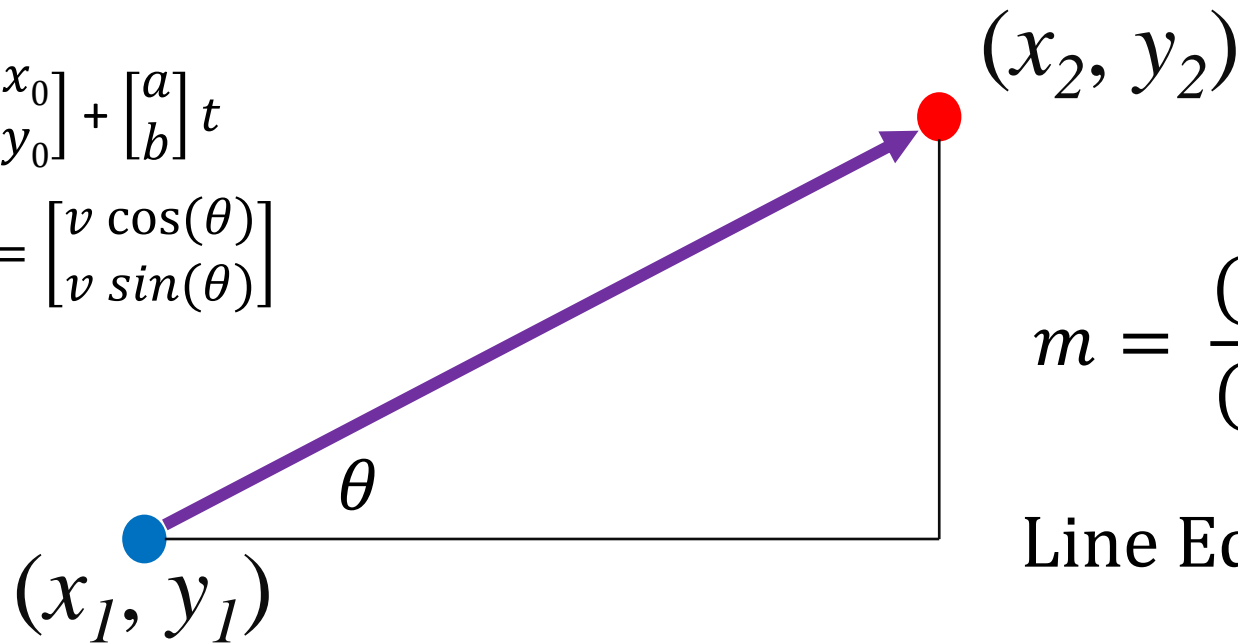
Parameter Equation

$$x(t) = x_0 + a t$$

$$y(t) = y_0 + b t$$

$$D(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} t$$

$$v(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v \cos(\theta) \\ v \sin(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$



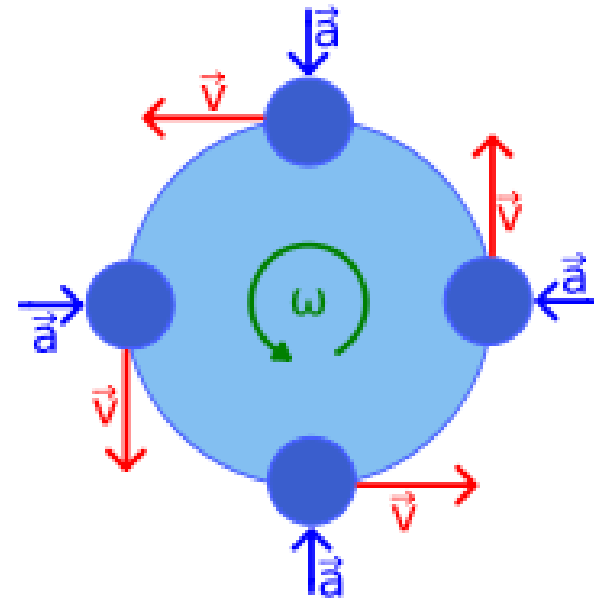
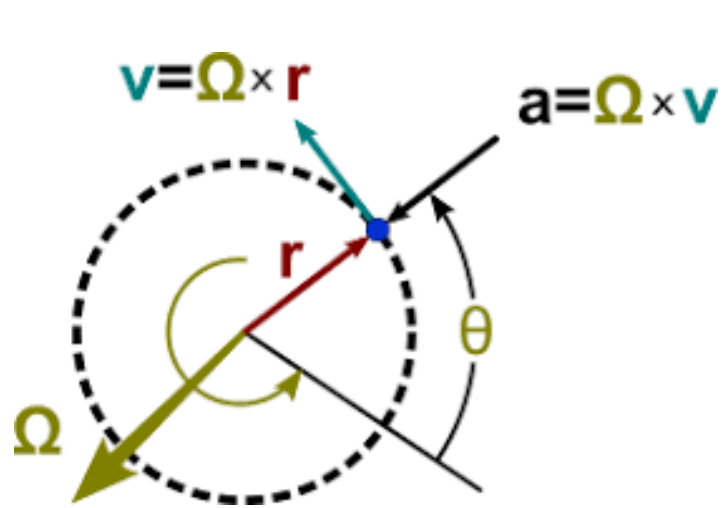
$$m = \frac{(y_2 - y_1)}{(x_2 - x_1)} = \tan(\theta)$$

Line Equation:

$$m = \frac{(y - y_0)}{(x - x_0)}$$

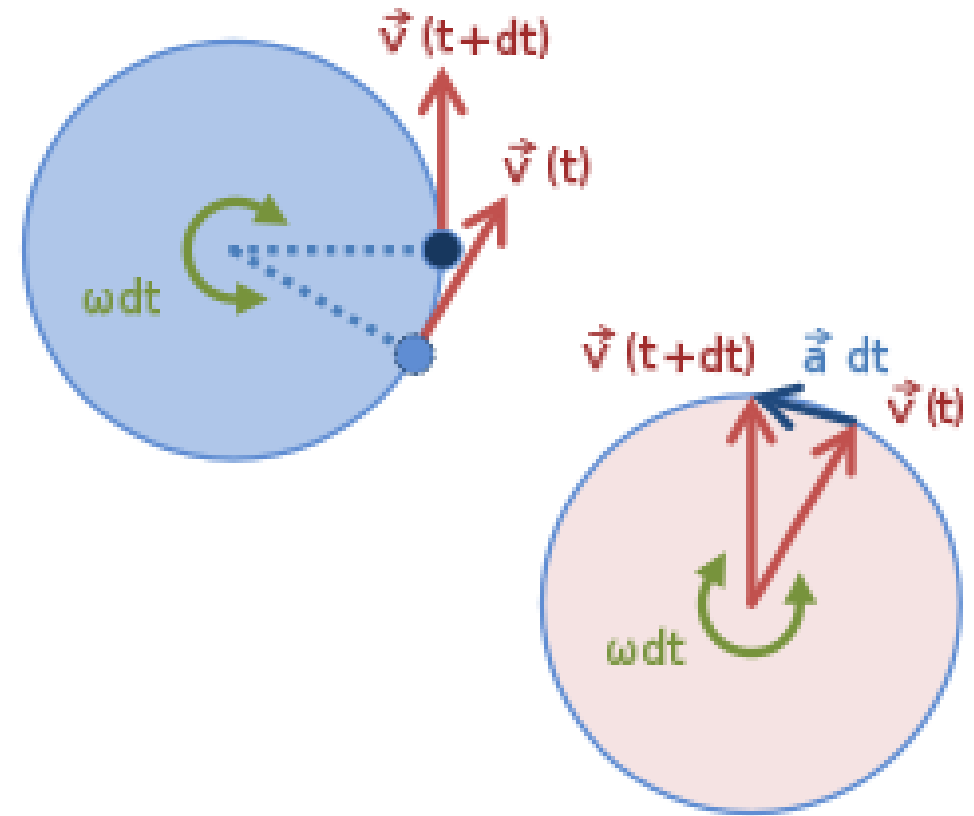
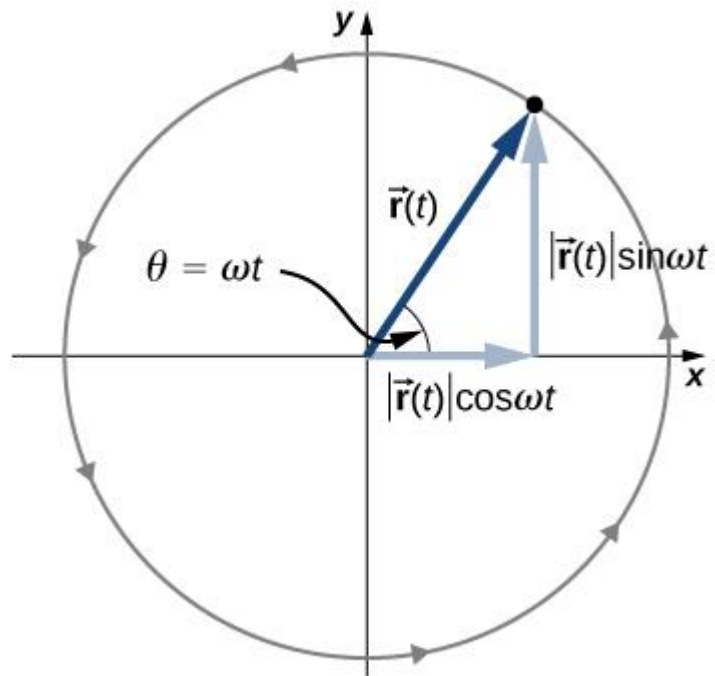


Unit Circle Motion



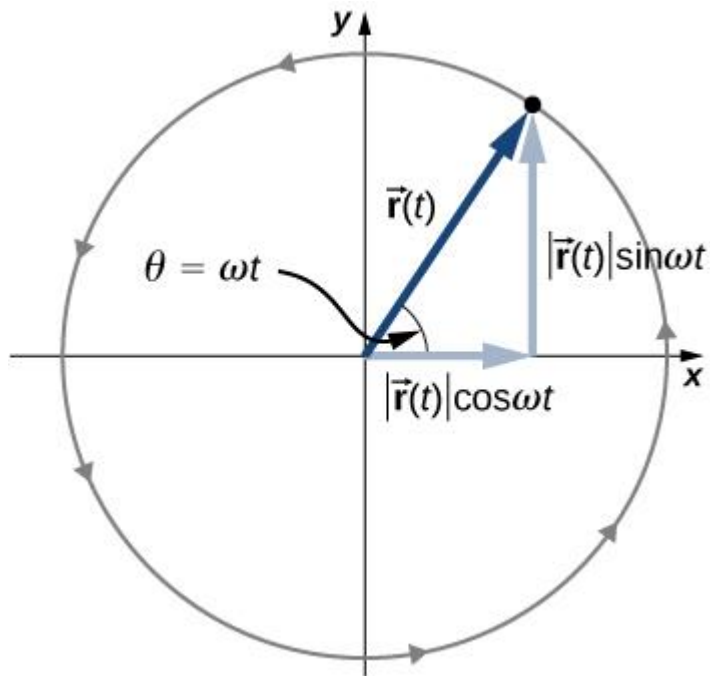


Unit Circle Motion





Unit Circle Motion



$$D(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r \cos(\omega t) \\ r \sin(\omega t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} -\omega \sin(\omega t) \\ \omega \cos(\omega t) \end{bmatrix}$$



Parametric Function

- Workspace variables can be linear or angular $q_i(t)$, for all i , q can be θ , or d
- Describe the workspace variables as functions of joint variables and time)

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \phi \\ \theta \\ \varphi \end{bmatrix} = h \left(\begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \\ q_4 \\ q_5 \\ q_6 \end{bmatrix} \right)_{6 \times 1} \begin{bmatrix} h_1(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_6) \\ h_2(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_6) \\ h_3(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_6) \\ h_4(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_6) \\ h_5(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_6) \\ h_6(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_6) \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 1}$$



Jacobian Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} V \\ \Omega \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \\ \dot{\omega}_x \\ \dot{\omega}_y \\ \dot{\omega}_z \end{bmatrix} = J \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_1 \\ \dot{q}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{q}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_1 \\ \dot{q}_2 \\ \dot{q}_3 \\ \dot{q}_4 \\ \dot{q}_5 \\ \dot{q}_6 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{array}{c} \dot{X} = J(q)\dot{q} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{blue arrow}} \\ \\ \xleftarrow{\text{blue arrow}} \\ \dot{q} = J^{-1}(q)\dot{X} \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \\ \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

Joint Space

Task Space



Finding the position variable q (θ or d)

Inverse of Jacobian Matrix

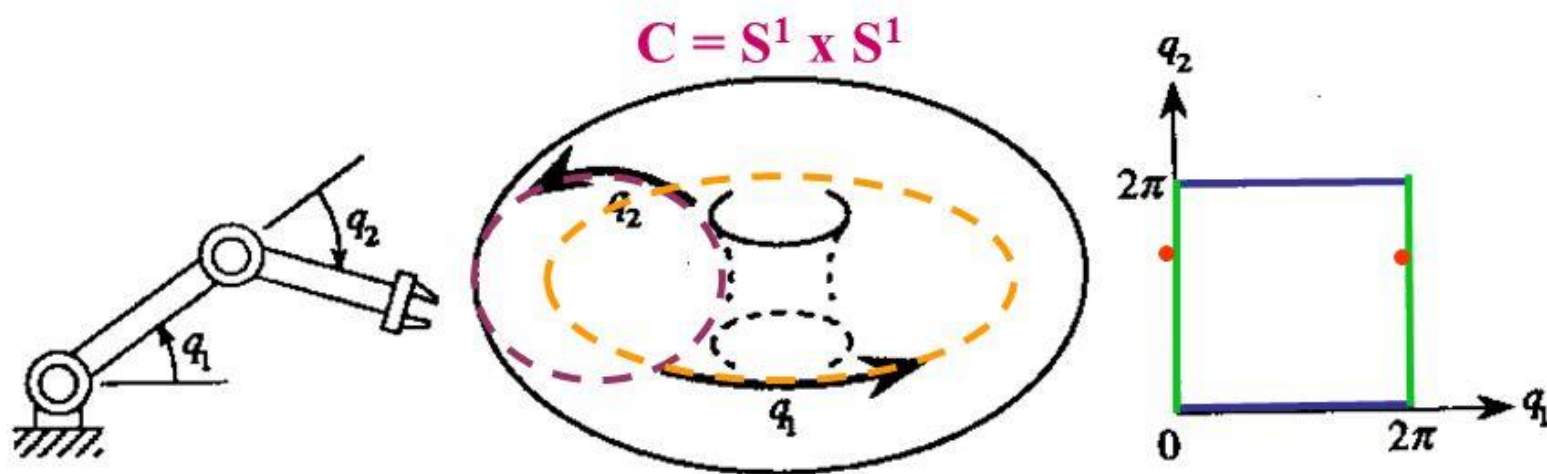
Finding the control functions described in time and joint variables. Given the positions (x, y, z) and angles (ϕ, θ, φ) , to find the joint control function as a parametric function of time, or the velocity functions related to these joint functions.

Configuration Space

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Configuration Space of a Robot

- Space of all its possible configurations
- But the topology of this space is usually not that of a Cartesian space



Configuration **space**

- Robot **configuration** is described by a vector of **generalised** joint coordinates
- Each coordinate can be:
 - ➔ an angle, for a rotational (**revolute**) joint
 - ➔ a length, for a sliding (**prismatic**) joint

Joint
configuration

Joint
coordinate

Number of
joints

Space of all
possible
configurations

$$\mathbf{q} = \{q_j, j \in [1 \cdots N]\} \in \mathcal{C}$$

Configuration space $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathbb{R}^N$



Definitions

- **Configuration:**

- Specification of all the variables that define the system completely
- Example: Configuration of a n DOF robot is $q = (q_0, q_1, \dots, q_{n-1})$

- **Configuration space (C-space):**

- Set of all configurations

- **Free configuration:**

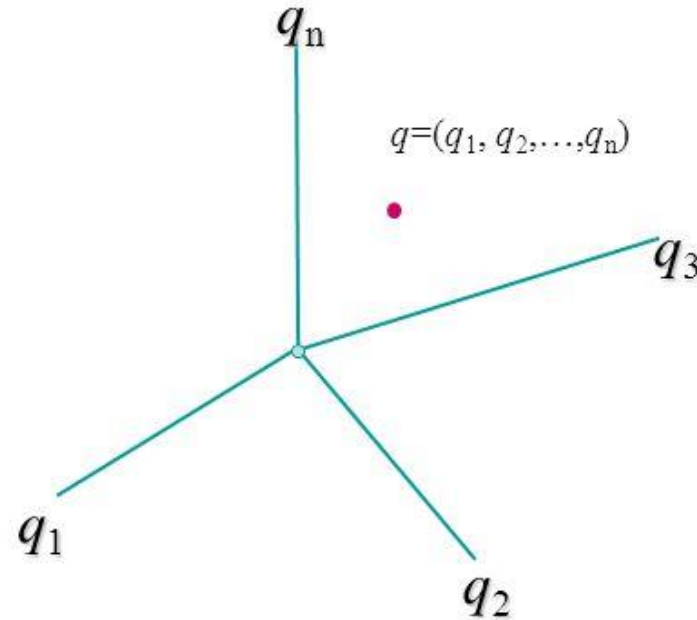
- A configuration q that does not collide with obstacles

- **Free space (F) :**

- Set of all free configurations
- It is a subset of C

Configuration space

- The **configuration space** C is the set of all possible configurations.
 - A configuration is a point in C .
 - Similar to a
 - State space
 - Parameter space
- The **workspace** is all points reachable by the robot (or sometimes just the end effector)
- C can be very high dimensional while the workspace is just 2D or 3D





Path v/s Trajectory

- **Path:**

- A sequence of robot configurations in a particular order without regard to the timing of these configurations.

- **Trajectory:**

- It concerned about when each part of the path must be attained, thus specifying timing.



Path Planning

- **Problem statement:**

- Compute a collision-free path for a rigid or articulated moving object among static obstacles.

- **Input**

- Geometry of a moving object (a robot, a digital actor, or a molecule) and obstacles
- How does the robot move?
- Kinematics of the robot (degrees of freedom)
- Initial and goal robot configurations (positions & orientations)

- **Output**

- Continuous sequence of collision-free robot configurations connecting the initial and goal configurations



Trajectory Planning

- **Problem statement**

- Turn a specified Cartesian-space trajectory of P_e into appropriate joint position reference values

- **Input**

- Cartesian space path
- Path constraints including velocity and acceleration limits and singularity analysis.

- **Output**

- a series of joint position/velocity reference values to send to the controller



Trajectory Planning

