

# Forward Kinematics

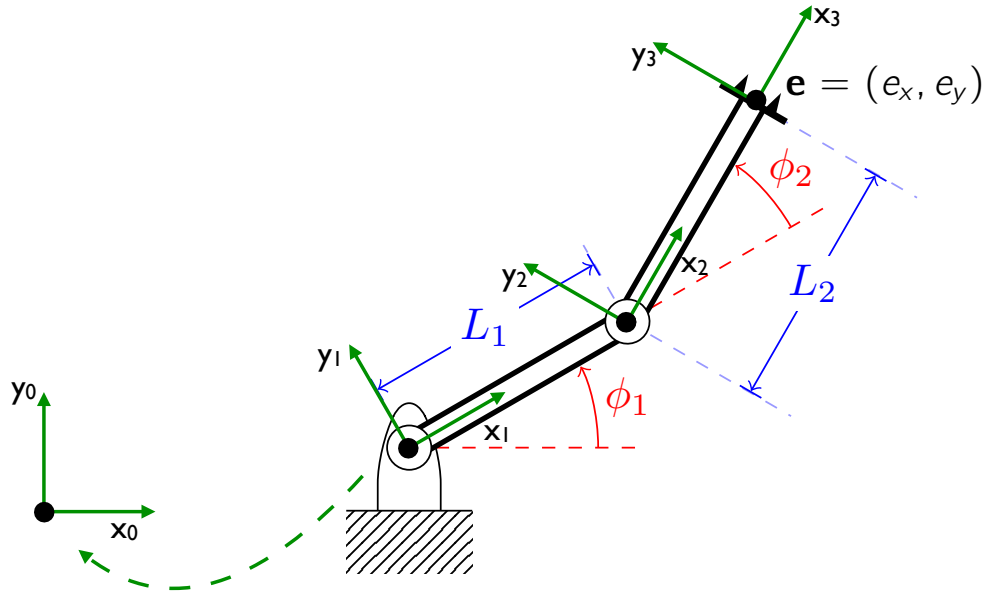


Figure 1: A two-dimensional articulated arm.

Consider the arm structure shown in Figure 1. Assume the following values for the arm configuration: the location of the first joint (i.e., the one attached to the ground support) is  $\mathbf{p}_1 = (3, 2)^T$ , the lengths of the parts are  $L_1 = 5$  and  $L_2 = 8$ .

1. Write the matrices that represent the local coordinate frames  $\{1\}$ ,  $\{2\}$ , and  $\{3\}$ . These frames are indicated in green in Figure 1. The transformations you need to write are  $T_{0,1}$ ,  $T_{1,2}$ , and  $T_{2,3}$ .
2. Write the matrices that represent each local frame w.r.t. the global frame  $\{0\}$ . The transformations you need to write are  $T_{0,1}$ ,  $T_{0,2}$ , and  $T_{0,3}$ .
3. Use the transformation matrices to obtain the global coordinates (i.e., w.r.t. frame  $\{0\}$ ) of the following points under the given joint-angle configurations:
  - The middle point of each part, for  $\phi_1 = \pi/8$  and  $\phi_2 = \pi/4$ . Draw the configuration of the arm under these parameters.

- All the joint points and the end effector, for  $\phi_1 = \pi/4$  and  $\phi_2 = \pi/8$ . Draw the configuration of the arm under these parameters.
- Write the matrix that represents the coordinate frame of the end effector w.r.t. frame  $\{1\}$ , i.e.,  $T_{1,3}$
- Write the matrix that represents the coordinate frame  $\{1\}$  w.r.t. to the frame of the end effector.