Robotics PS06 Solution

A differential drive robot has two drive units, each with

- a left respectively right motor with a variable speed s_L , respectively s_R measured in rounds per minute (rpm).
- a planetary gear box with a 1:100 reduction, i.e., the wheel axis turns 100 times slower than the motor axis (but it has 100 times the torque)
- a wheel with a radius r = 10cm

The distance D between the two wheels is 30cm. The speeds of the two motors are measured by quadrature encoders at a frequency of 100 Hz, i.e., 100 times per second.

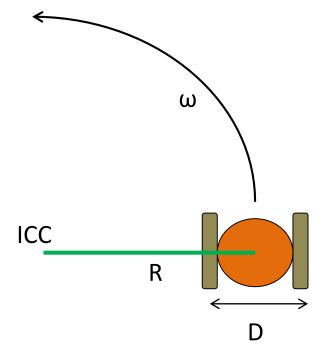
The coordinate frame of the robot follows the standards, i.e., it is as follows. The x-axis points from the center of motion of the robot to its front and it is co-aligned with zero degrees; angles are measured counterclockwise.

Suppose the robot drives with constant (motor-)speeds $N_L = 18849$ rpm, $N_R = 15708$ rpm over 40 msec. Suppose its initial pose is $(0,0,0)^T$. Derive its pose after 40 msec.

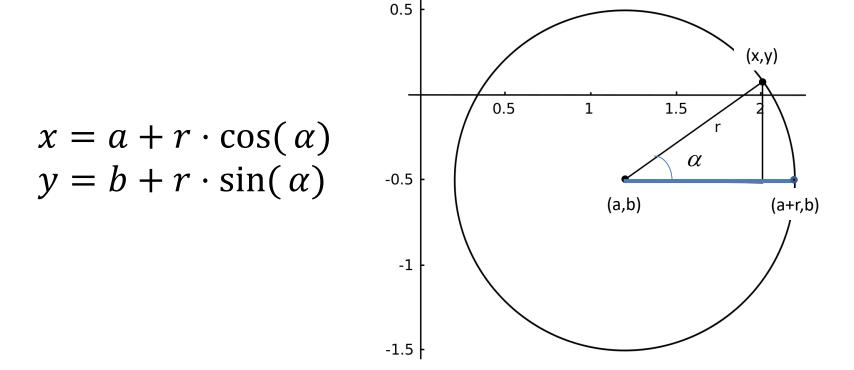
rotation ω around Instantaneous Center of Curvature (ICC) with radius R

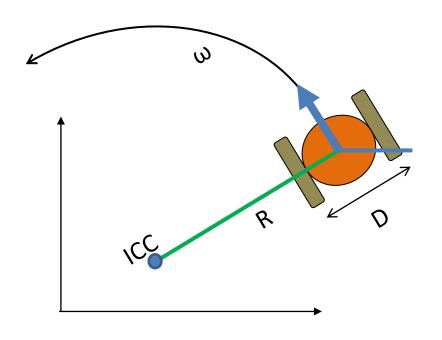
$$R = \frac{D}{2} \frac{v_{\rm r} + v_{\rm l}}{v_{\rm r} - v_{\rm l}}$$

$$\omega = \frac{v_{\rm r} - v_{\rm l}}{D}$$



note arc: circle around (a,b), radius r





note: ICC is perpendicular to robot forward orientation

$$\alpha = \theta + \pi/2$$

$$cos(\alpha) = cos(\theta + \pi/2) = -sin(\theta)$$

$$sin(\alpha) = sin(\theta + \pi/2) = cos(\theta)$$

$$p_{ICC} = (x_{ICC}, y_{ICC})^{T}$$
$$= (x - R\sin(\theta), y + R\cos(\theta))^{T}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{t+\Delta t} \\ y_{t+\Delta t} \\ \theta_{t+\Delta t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega \Delta t) & -\sin(\omega \Delta t) & 0 \\ \sin(\omega \Delta t) & \cos(\omega \Delta t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{t} - x_{ICC} \\ y_{t} - y_{ICC} \\ \theta_{t} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} x_{ICC} \\ y_{ICC} \\ \omega \Delta t \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\omega = \frac{v_{\rm r} - v_{\rm l}}{D} \qquad R = \frac{D}{2} \frac{v_{\rm r} + v_{\rm l}}{v_{\rm r} - v_{\rm l}}$$

$$v_{wheel} = r \cdot \omega_{wheel-axis}$$

= $r \cdot GR \cdot \omega_{motor-axis}$

- proper velocities in SI units
- $1 RPM = 2\pi \frac{1}{60} \frac{rad}{sec}$
- $1 \ rad = \frac{1 \ m}{1 \ m}$ ("virtual" unit)

$$v_{l} = 0.1m \cdot \frac{1}{100} \cdot 18849RPM$$

$$= 0.1m \cdot \frac{1}{100} \cdot 18849/60 \cdot 2\pi \frac{rad}{sec}$$

$$= 1.9739 \frac{m}{sec}$$

$$v_{\rm r} = 0.1m \cdot \frac{1}{100} \cdot 15708RPM$$

$$= 0.1m \cdot \frac{1}{100} \cdot 15708/60 \cdot 2\pi \frac{rad}{sec}$$

$$= 1.6449 \frac{m}{sec}$$

$$\omega = \frac{vr - vl}{D} = \frac{(1.6449 - 1.9739)\frac{m}{s}}{0.3m} = -1.0966\frac{rad}{s}$$

$$R = \frac{D}{2} \frac{vr + vl}{vr - vl} = \frac{0.3m}{2} \frac{(1.6449 + 1.9739) \frac{m}{s}}{(1.6449 - 1.9739) \frac{m}{s}} = -1.65m$$

v _I (m/s)	1.9739
v _r (m/s)	1.6449
D (m)	0.3

$$p_{ICC} = (x_{ICC}, y_{ICC})^{T}$$

$$= (x - R\sin(\theta), y + R\cos(\theta))^{T}$$

$$= (0 + 1.65\sin(0), 0 - 1.65\cos(0))^{T} = (0, -1.65)^{T}$$
start pose:
$$(x, y, \theta)^{T} = (0, 0, 0)^{T}$$

$$\omega \Delta t = -1.0966 \frac{rad}{s} \cdot 0.04s = -0.0439 \text{ rad}$$

$$\omega = -1.0966 \frac{rad}{s}$$

$$R = -1.65m$$

$$p_{ICC} = (0, -1.65)^{T}$$

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$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos(-0.0439) & -\sin(-0.0439) & 0 \\ \sin(-0.0439) & \cos(-0.0439) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 - 0 \\ 0 + 1.65 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1.65 \\ -0.0439 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0.9990 & -0.0439 & 0 \\ -0.0439 & 0.9990 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1.65 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1.65 \\ -0.0439 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0.0724 \\ -0.0016 \\ -0.0439 \end{pmatrix}$$

Given an omni-drive robot with 4 motors with omni-wheels W_i that are evenly spaced apart at 90° starting with 0°, i.e., W_1 is at 0°, W_2 is at 90°, and so on. The distance from the center of motion to each wheel is R, the wheel radius is r and the angular velocity of each wheel is ω_i .

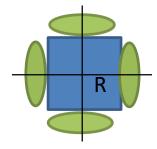
Derive the inverse Kinematics of this robot, i.e., derive the matrix M with

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \\ \omega_4 \end{pmatrix} = M \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix}$$

for the translational velocity $V_t = (V_x, V_y)^T = (\dot{x}, \dot{y})^T$ and angular velocity $\omega = \dot{\theta}$ of the robot.

just extend the multiple omni-wheels example from the lecture

- 3 wheels in the lecture, here 4
- but simply all the same distance R to center of motion



$$\omega_i = \frac{1}{r} \left(-\sin(\alpha_i) \, \dot{x} + \cos(\alpha_i) \, \dot{y} + R \dot{\theta} \right)$$

here with
$$\alpha_1=0^o$$
, $\alpha_2=90^o$, $\alpha_3=180^o$, $\alpha_4=270^o$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \\ \omega_4 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\alpha_1) & \cos(\alpha_1) & R \\ -\sin(\alpha_2) & \cos(\alpha_2) & R \\ -\sin(\alpha_3) & \cos(\alpha_3) & R \\ -\sin(\alpha_4) & \cos(\alpha_4) & R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & R \\ -1 & 0 & R \\ 0 & -1 & R \\ 1 & 0 & R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix}$$

Inverse Kinematics, general n≥3

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \\ \vdots \\ \omega_n \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\alpha_1) & \cos(\alpha_1) & R \\ -\sin(\alpha_2) & \cos(\alpha_2) & R \\ -\sin(\alpha_3) & \cos(\alpha_3) & R \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ -\sin(\alpha_n) & \cos(\alpha_n) & R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix}$$

(in local robot frame)

same for Forward Kinematics

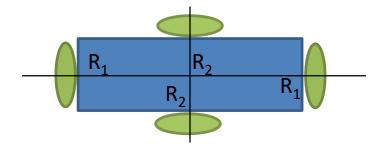
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(in local robot frame)

same for Forward Kinematics

(in local robot frame)

different distances R_i



$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \\ \omega_4 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\alpha_1) & \cos(\alpha_1) & R_1 \\ -\sin(\alpha_2) & \cos(\alpha_2) & R_2 \\ -\sin(\alpha_3) & \cos(\alpha_3) & R_1 \\ -\sin(\alpha_4) & \cos(\alpha_4) & R_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix}$$