

# اصول علم ربات - اسلاید هشتم

Fundamentals of Robotics - Slide 08

## Kinematics 2

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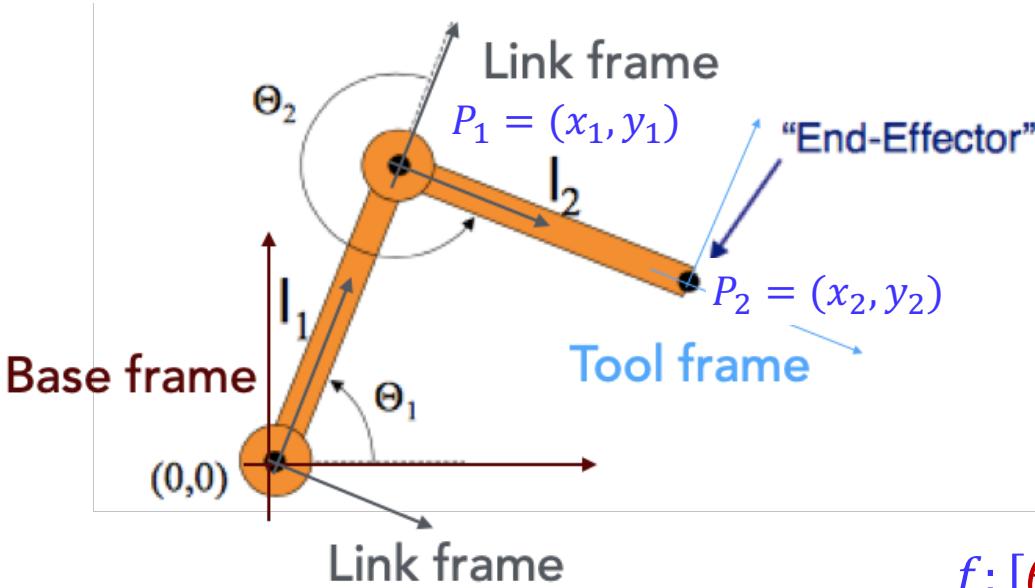
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# Forward kinematics: relationship $f$ between controls, $q$ , and pose

Forward kinematics equations:

$$\mathbf{r} = f(\mathbf{q})$$

$${}^I \boldsymbol{\xi}_R \sim \mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \varphi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_x(\mathbf{q}) \\ f_y(\mathbf{q}) \\ f_z(\mathbf{q}) \\ f_\varphi(\mathbf{q}) \\ f_\theta(\mathbf{q}) \\ f_\psi(\mathbf{q}) \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{r} = [x \ y \ \theta]^T$$

$$\mathbf{q} = [\theta_1 \ \theta_2]^T$$

$$f: [\theta_1 \ \theta_2] \rightarrow [x \ y \ \theta]$$

$$f \equiv \begin{cases} f_x(\theta_1, \theta_2) = l_1 \cos \theta_1 + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ f_y(\theta_1, \theta_2) = l_1 \sin(\theta_1) + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ f_\theta(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \theta_1 + \theta_2 \end{cases}$$

# Forward differential kinematics: changes in controls, $\dot{q}$ , vs. velocity

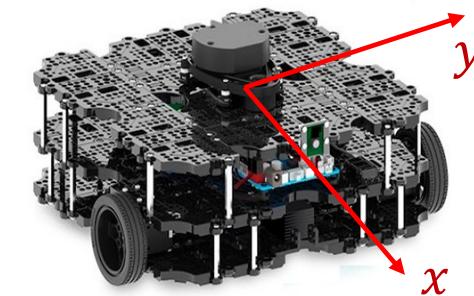
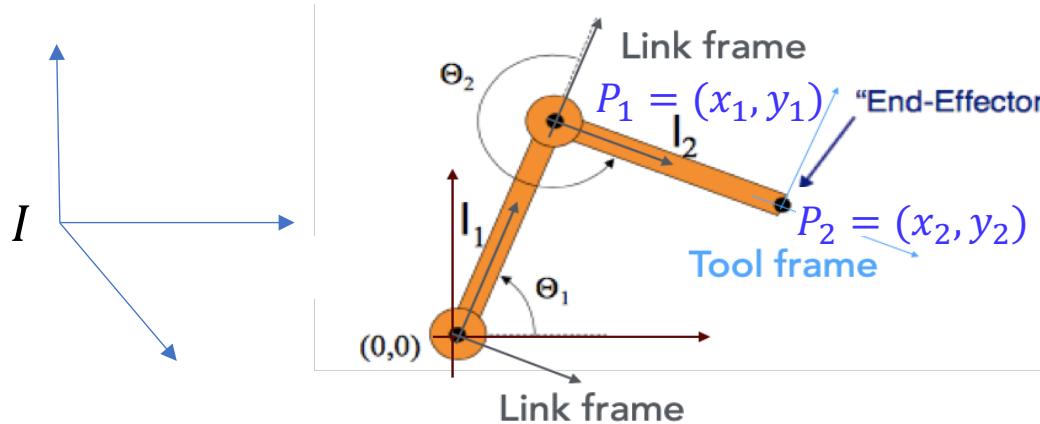
$$\nu = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \\ \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{f}_x(q(t)) \\ \dot{f}_y(q(t)) \\ \dot{f}_z(q(t)) \\ \dot{f}_\phi(q(t)) \\ \dot{f}_\theta(q(t)) \\ \dot{f}_\psi(q(t)) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial q_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial q_n} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial q_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial q_n} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial q_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial q_n} \\ \frac{\partial \omega_x}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \omega_x}{\partial q_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \omega_x}{\partial q_n} \\ \frac{\partial \omega_y}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \omega_y}{\partial q_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \omega_y}{\partial q_n} \\ \frac{\partial \omega_z}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial \omega_z}{\partial q_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \omega_z}{\partial q_n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{dq_1}{dt} \\ \frac{dq_2}{dt} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dq_n}{dt} \end{bmatrix} = J(q)\dot{q}$$

**Jacobian matrix,  $J(q)$**

$${}^I\dot{\xi}_R \sim v = [\nu \quad \omega]^T = J(q) \cdot [\dot{q}_1 \quad \dot{q}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \dot{q}_n]^T = J(q) \cdot \dot{q}$$

# Computing Pose: Robotic manipulators vs. Mobile robots

- **Question:** do we **need** the *forward differential kinematics* model to know the pose  ${}^I\xi_R$  of our robot in  $I$ ?
  - Pose of end-effector for a robotic manipulator
  - Pose of a robot reference frame for a mobile (single body) robot



E.g., from  $\dot{x} = F(q(t))$

$$x(t) = x(0) + \int_0^t F(q(t))dt$$

$F$  defined by  $J$

...the same for the other components of the pose

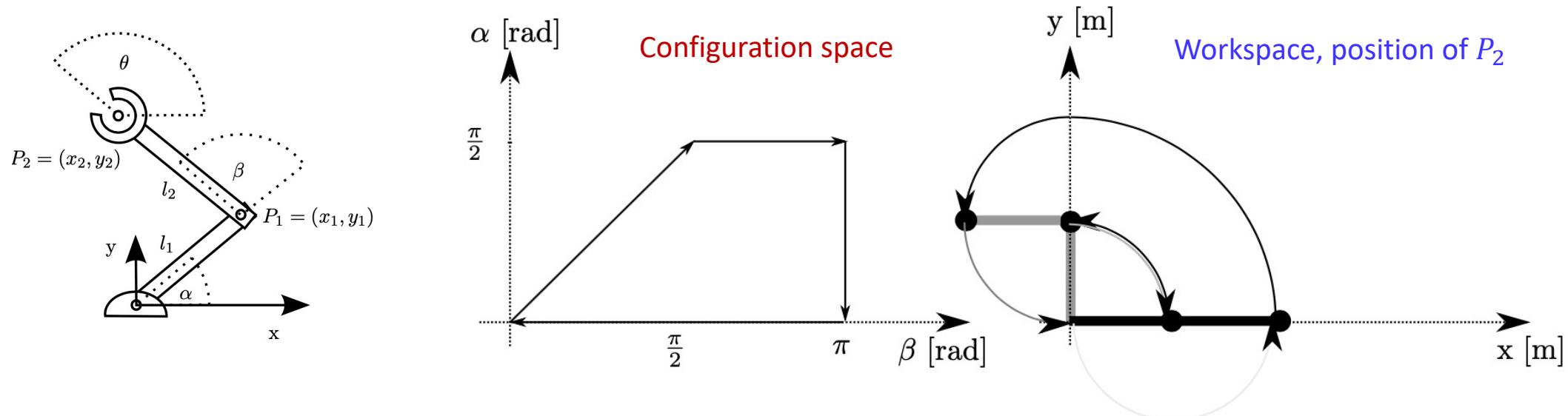
# Computing Pose: Robotic manipulators vs. Mobile robots

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- ✓ **Manipulator:** configuration  $q$  in the joint space + forward kinematic equations,  $f(q) \rightarrow \text{Pose}$ 
  - ✓ We don't strictly need to write a forward differential model and integrate it to get the pose
    - It's sufficient to read joint status from motor encoders and plug the values in  $f(q)$
- **Mobile robot:** configuration  $q$  in the joint (wheels) space + forward kinematic equations,  $f(q) \rightarrow ?$ 
  - Usually (depending on wheels type and arrangement), we need to write a forward differential model and integrate it to get the pose
    - + we need to deal with *uncertainties* in measurements

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- A **closed trajectory** in the joint space will position the robot's end-effector at the exact same initial position in operational space, robot's end-effector will make a **closed trajectory** also in the workspace
- Each pair of joint positions  $[\alpha \beta]$  correspond to a **unique point** in both configuration space and workspace
  - ✓ No need to integrate velocities to know position of end-effector!

# (Computing Pose) Mobile robots

- **Mobile robot:** configuration  $q$  in the joint (wheels) space + forward kinematic equations,  $f(q) \rightarrow ?$ 
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- Mobile robots → **Ground robots**



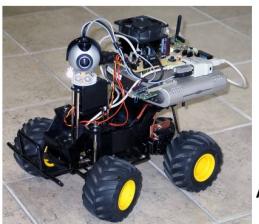
2- and 4-wheel  
Differential driving



Tricycle



Murata Boy and Girl  
Bicycle and Unicycle



Car-like  
Ackermann



6-wheel  
space rovers



4-wheel  
steering



Tri-bots  
Omniwheels



Tracked robots

Wheeled, Tracked

Robot's **maneuverability** depends on:

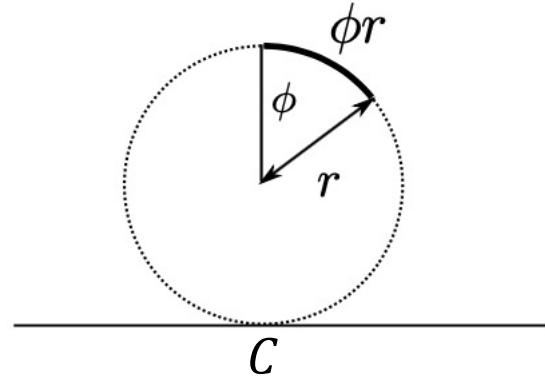
- **Geometry:** Relative placement of wheels/tracks on robot's chassis
- **Type:** degrees of freedom and constraints of each wheel/track

# (Computing Pose) Mobile robots: wheels

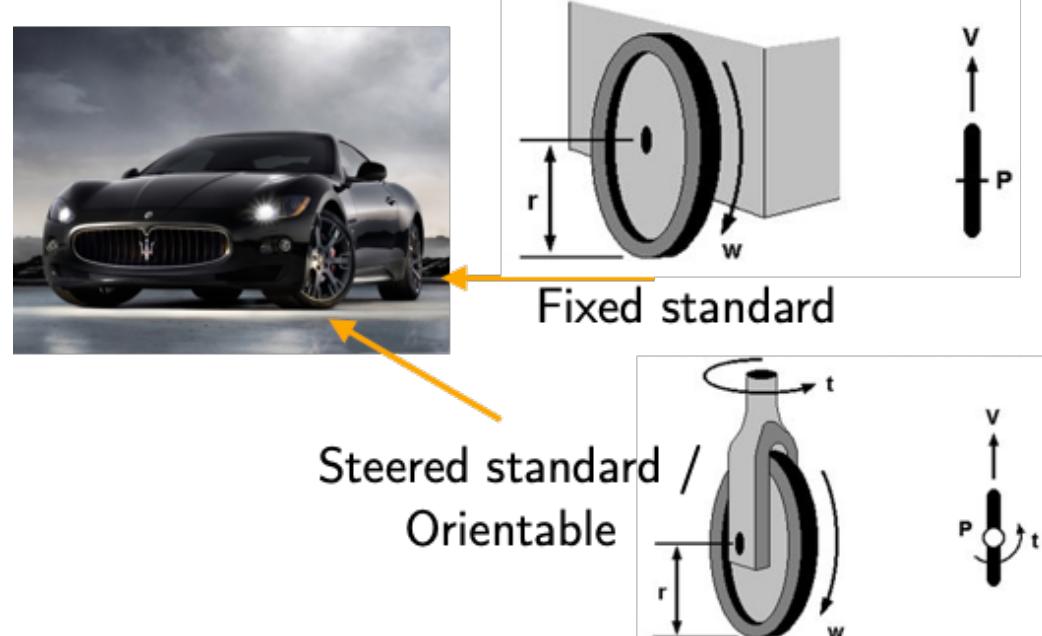
✓ We focus on **wheeled** robots!

- **Configuration space of a wheeled robot:** configuration  $q$  of all the wheels, defined by:

- angle of rotation (cumulative, if it's possible to measure it / integrate it)
- angle of steering (if available)
- ...

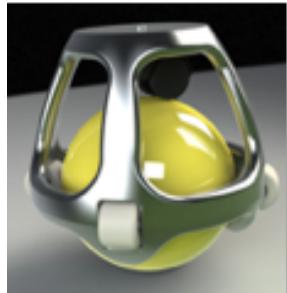
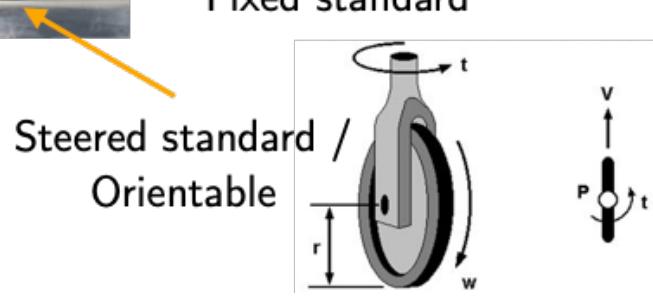
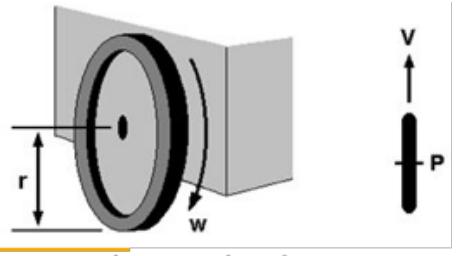


**Fixed Standard** wheel,  
only rolling, no steering



- $q = \text{angle of rotation } \phi$
- Configuration  $\phi$  corresponds to a *motion* (for the robot's chassis in  $I$ ) of length  $\phi r$
- $r$  is wheel's radius

# (Computing Pose) Mobile robots: wheel types



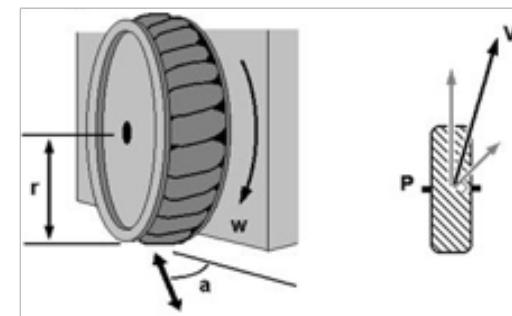
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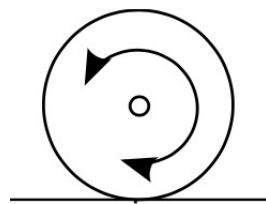
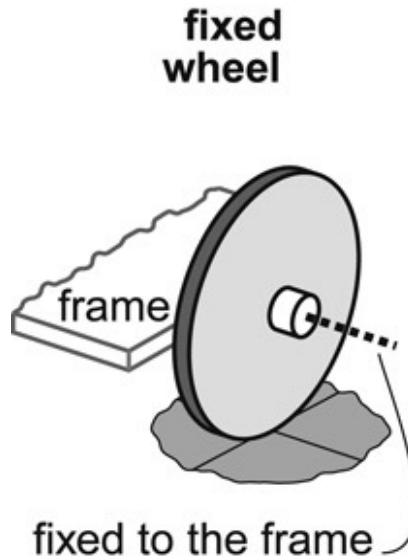
Castor /  
Off-centered orientable



Mecanum/Swedish

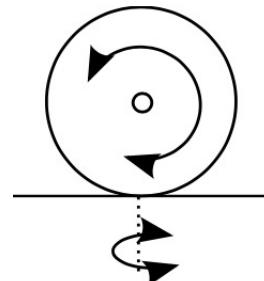
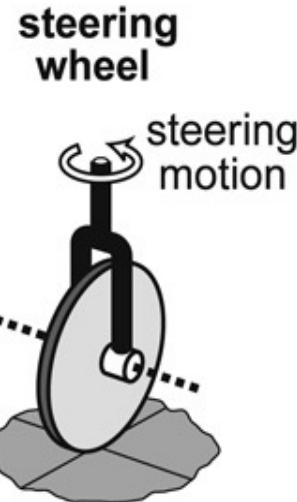


# (Computing Pose) Mobile robots: wheel types and DoF



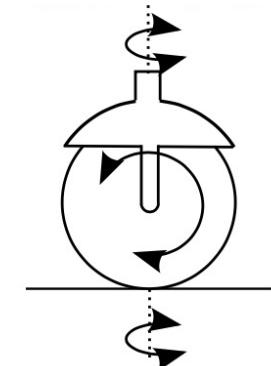
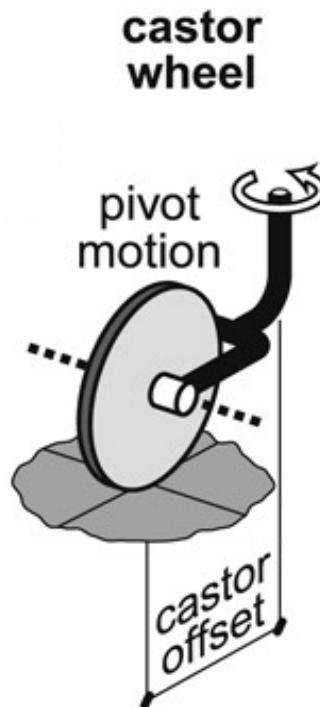
## 1 DoF:

- Rotation around the wheel axle



## 2 DoF:

- Rotation around the wheel axle
- Rotation around its contact point with the ground



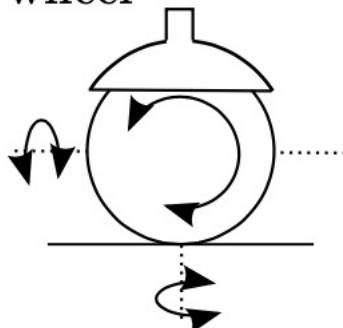
## 3 DoF:

- Rotation around the wheel axle
- Rotation around its contact point with the ground
- Rotation around the castor axis

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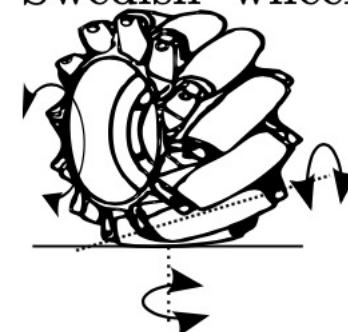
Spherical  
wheel



3 DoF:

- Rotation in any direction
- Rotation around its contact point

Swedish wheel



3 DoF:

- Rotation around the wheel axle
- Rotation around its contact point with the ground
- Rotation around the roller axles

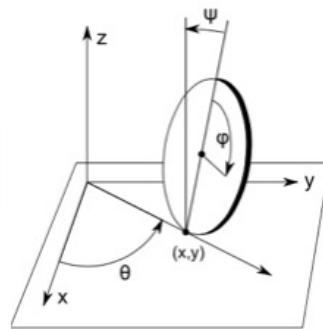


# (Computing pose) Mobile robots: Geometry, arrangement of wheels

## **One wheel**



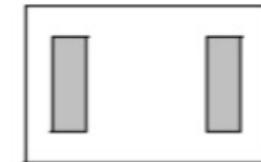
Unicycle



## **Two wheels**

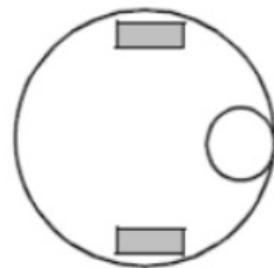


Bicycle

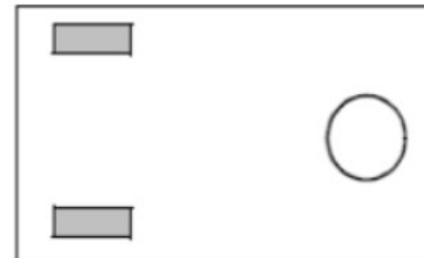


Differential drive

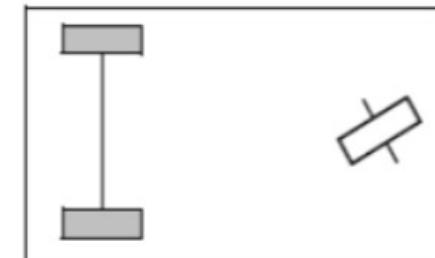
## **Three wheels**



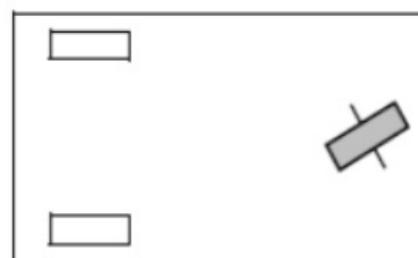
Differential with castor



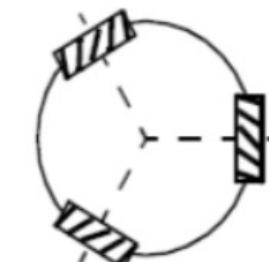
Differential cart with castor



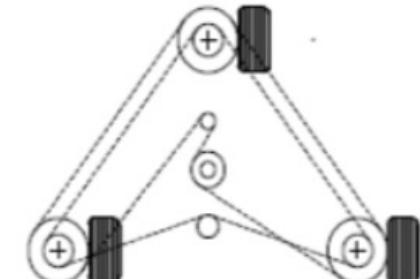
Tricycle



Tricycle - Horse buggy



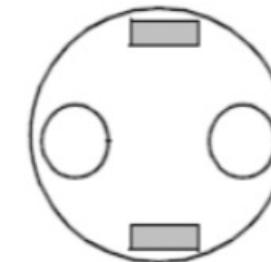
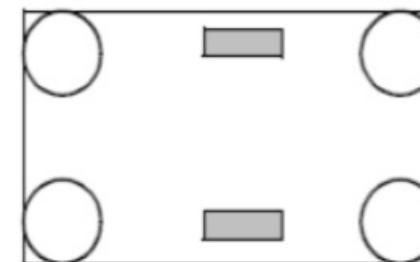
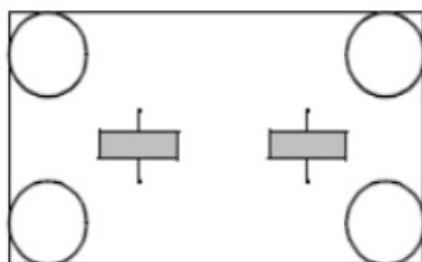
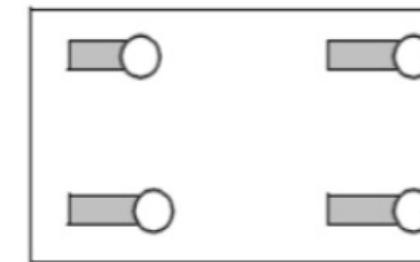
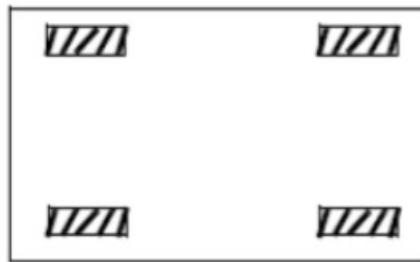
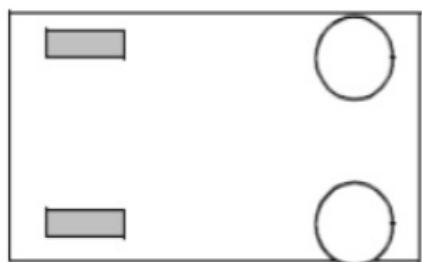
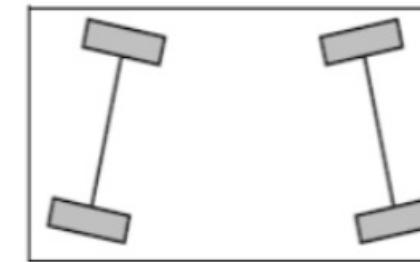
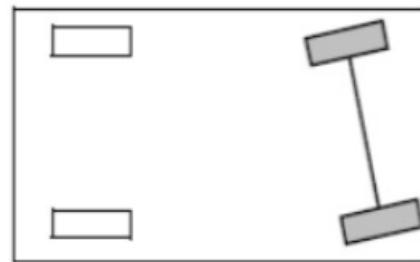
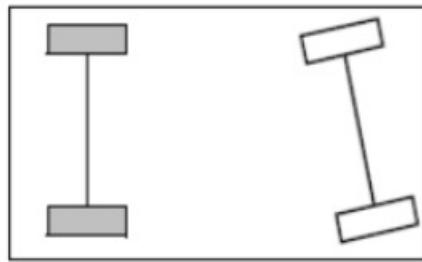
Omni drive



Synchro drive

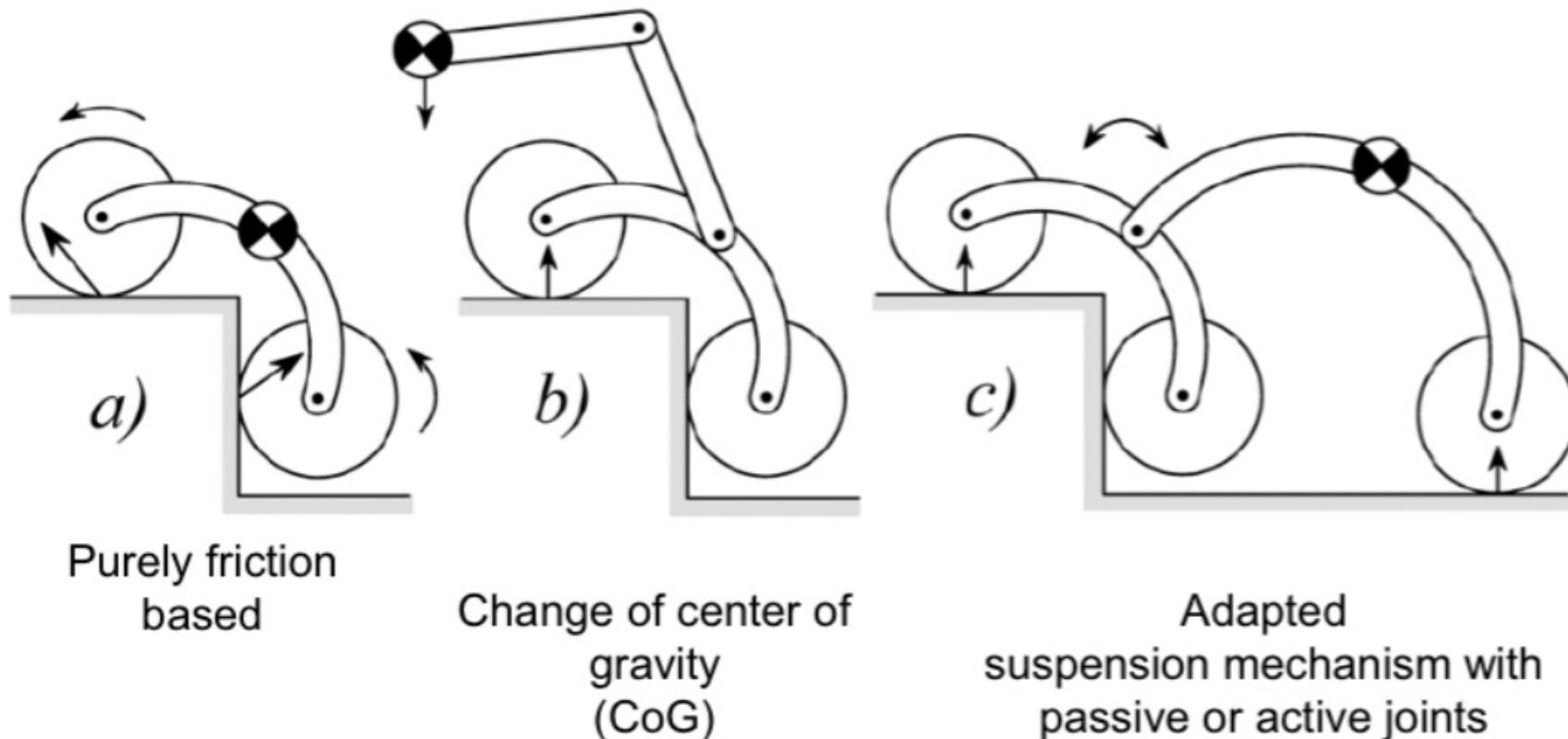
# (Computing pose) Mobile robots: Geometry, arrangement of wheels

***Four wheels***



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## *Rovers for climbing*

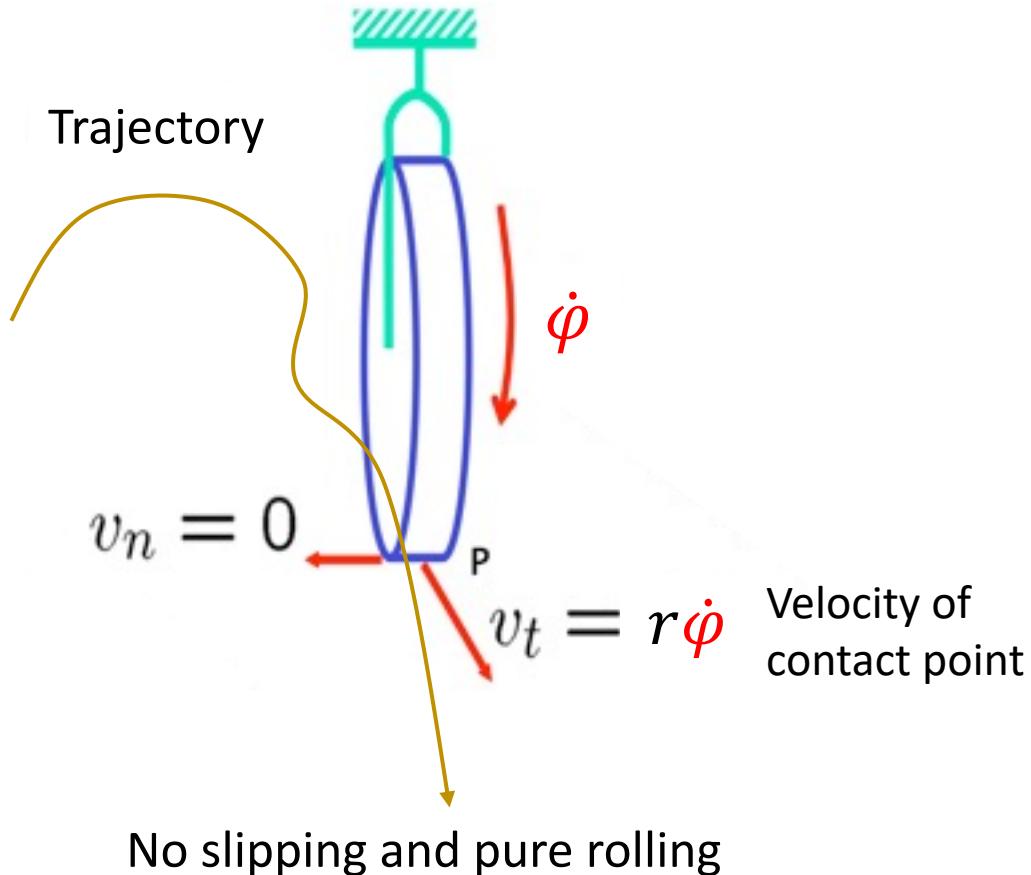


Purely friction  
based

Change of center of  
gravity  
(CoG)

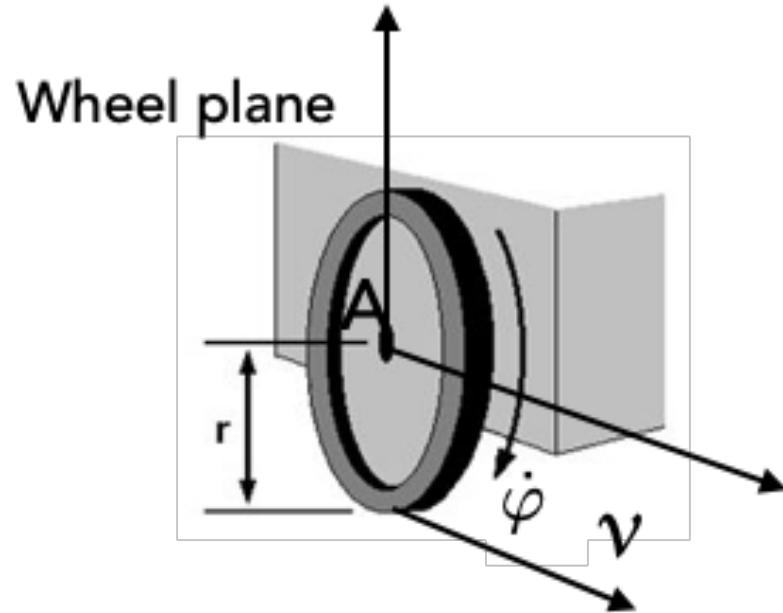
Adapted  
suspension mechanism with  
passive or active joints

# (Computing pose) Mobile robots: Assumption on wheels (for kinematics)



- The wheel plane must remain vertical at all times
- There's one single point of instantaneous contact between wheel and ground
- There's no sliding at the single point of contact
- Pure rolling:  $v = 0$  at contact point
- No slipping, skidding, sliding
- No friction for rotation around contact points
- Steering axes are orthogonal to the surface
- Wheels are connected by a rigid frame (chassis)
- Movement is on a horizontal plane
- Wheels not deformable

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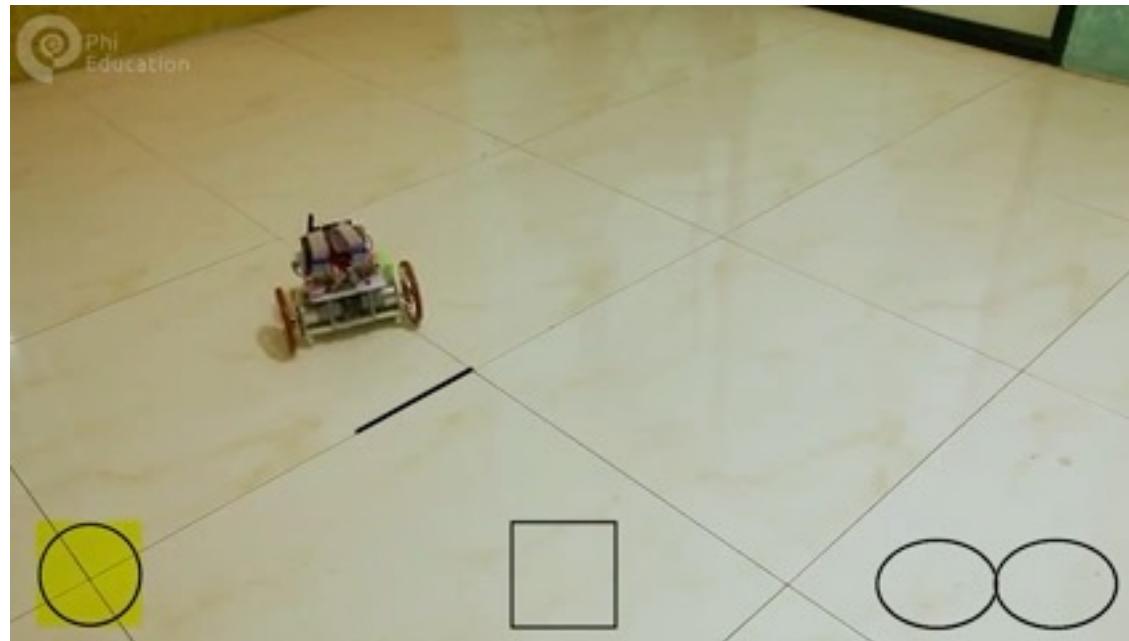
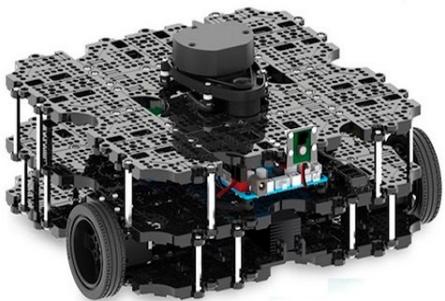
- **Rolling constraint** (pure rolling at the contact point): All motion along the direction of the wheel plane is determined by wheel spin,  $\dot{\varphi}r$  (all motion is transferred)
- **Sliding constraint**: The component of the wheel's motion orthogonal to the wheel plane must be zero



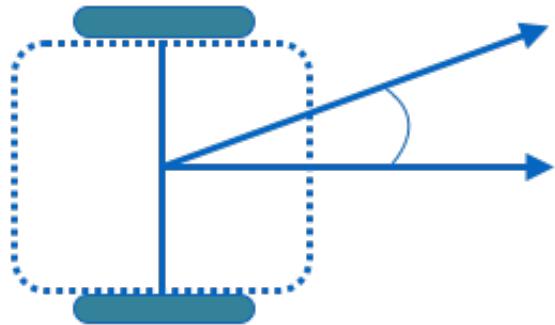
# (Computing pose) Mobile robots: Differential (steering) robot

**Differential steering** (vehicle, robot):

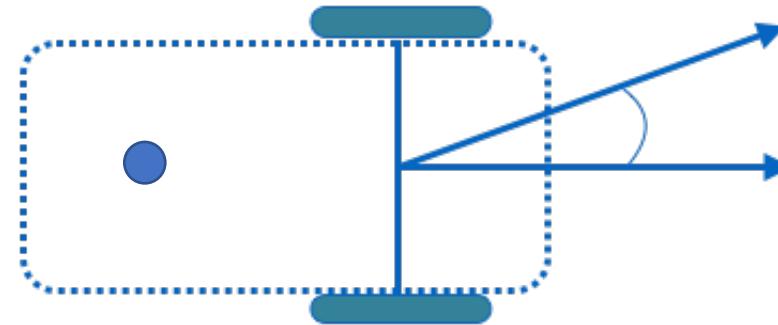
One or more pairs of **standard wheels** mounted on a **single axis, independently powered and controlled**, providing both **drive** and **steering** functions through the **motion difference between the wheels**.



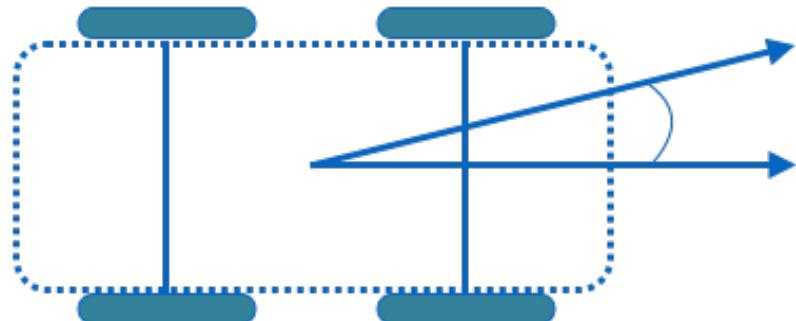
# (Computing pose) Mobile robots: Differential (steering) robot



Any type of chassis



Additional **passive wheels** for stability  
can be added (e.g., caster wheels)

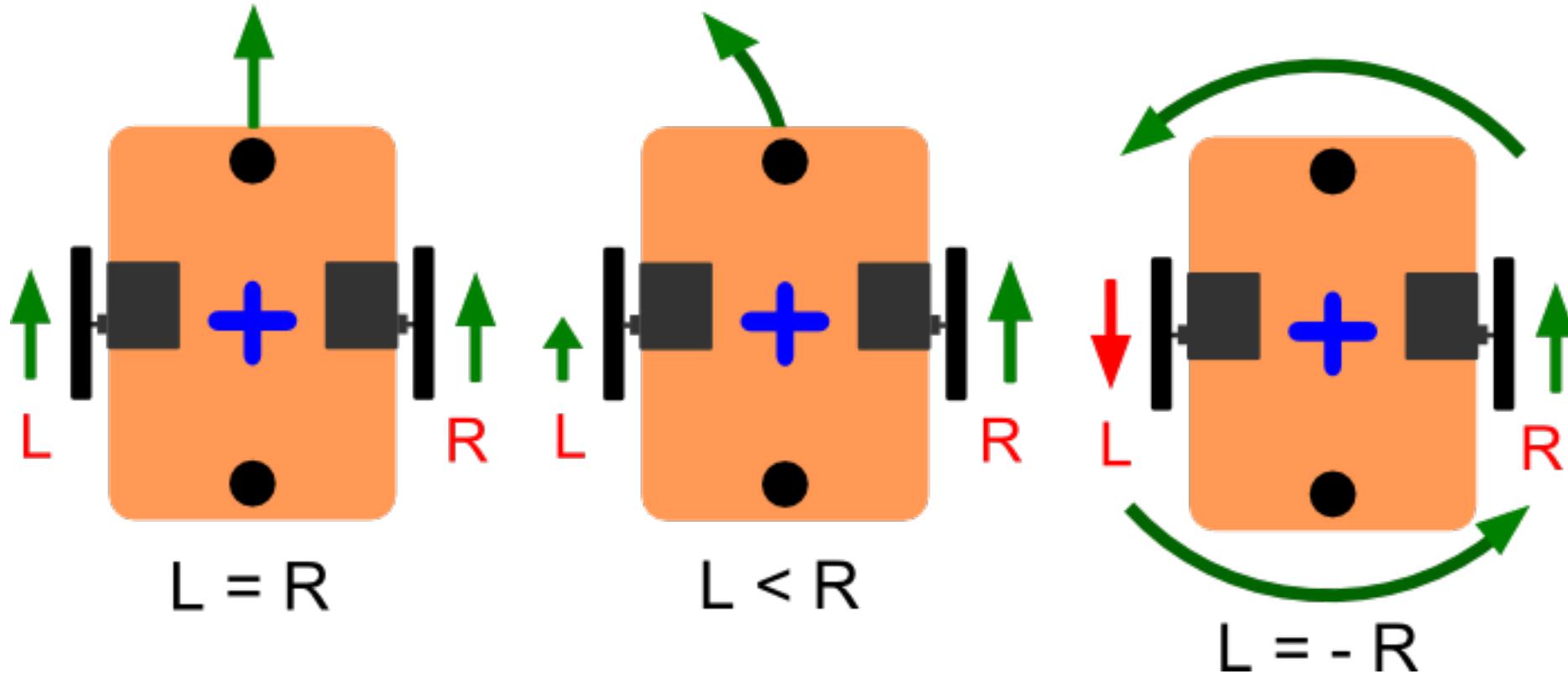


Total wheel pairs can be more than one,  
making control more complex

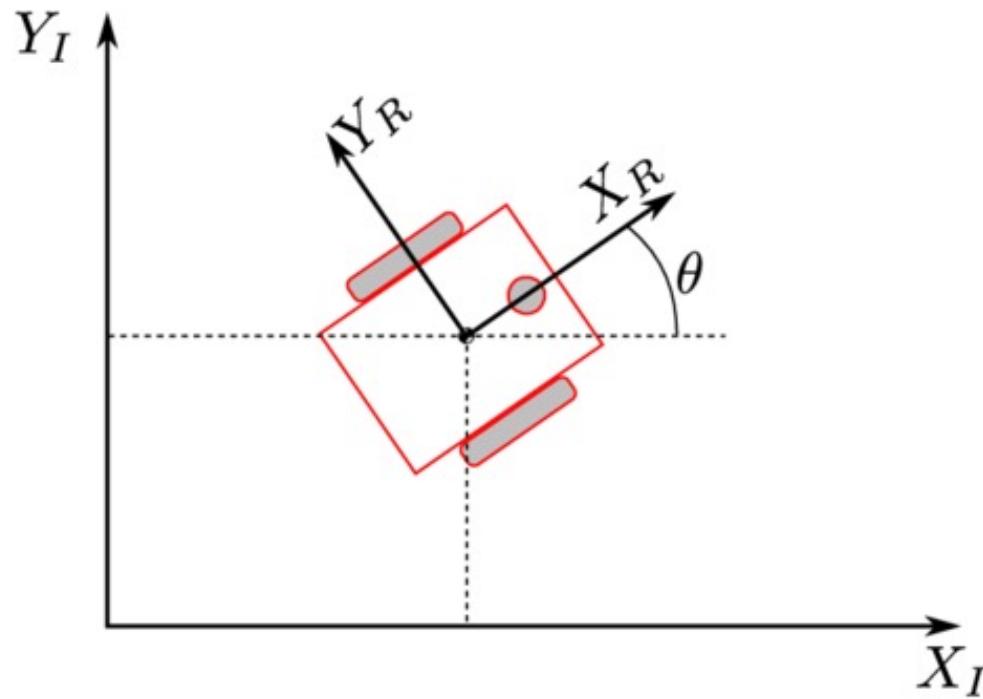
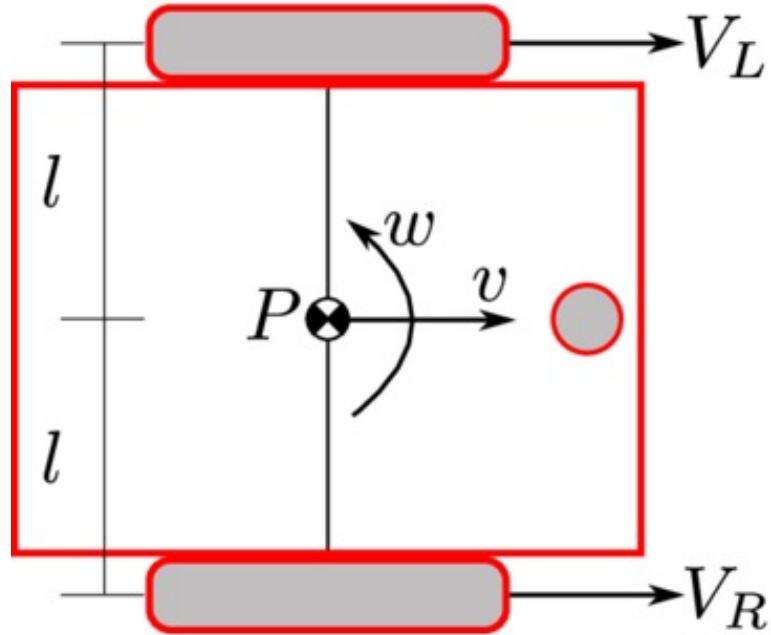
**Differential drive:** in automotive engineering, refers to the presence of a *differential gear* or related device to transfer different motion to the steering wheels on a same axis (e.g., the frontal wheels of a normal car)

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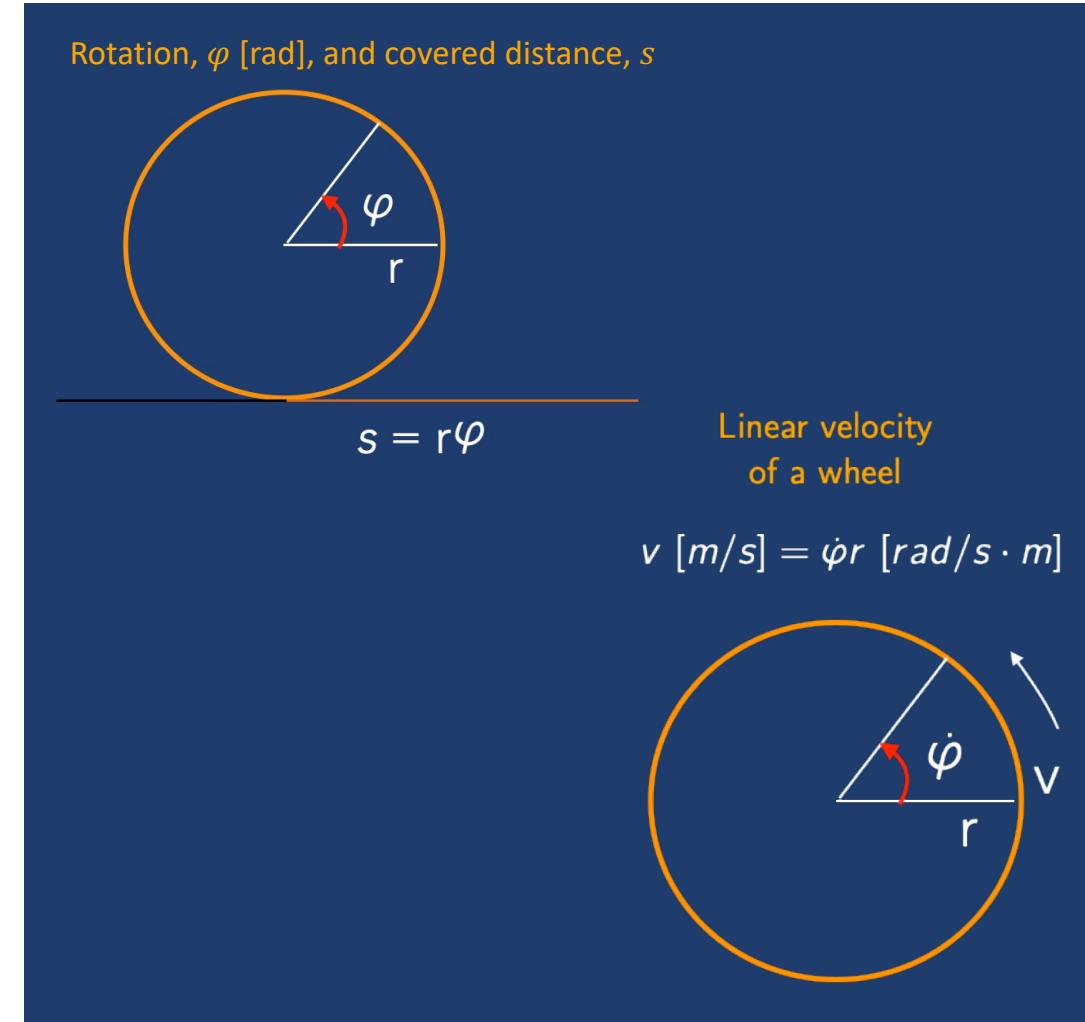
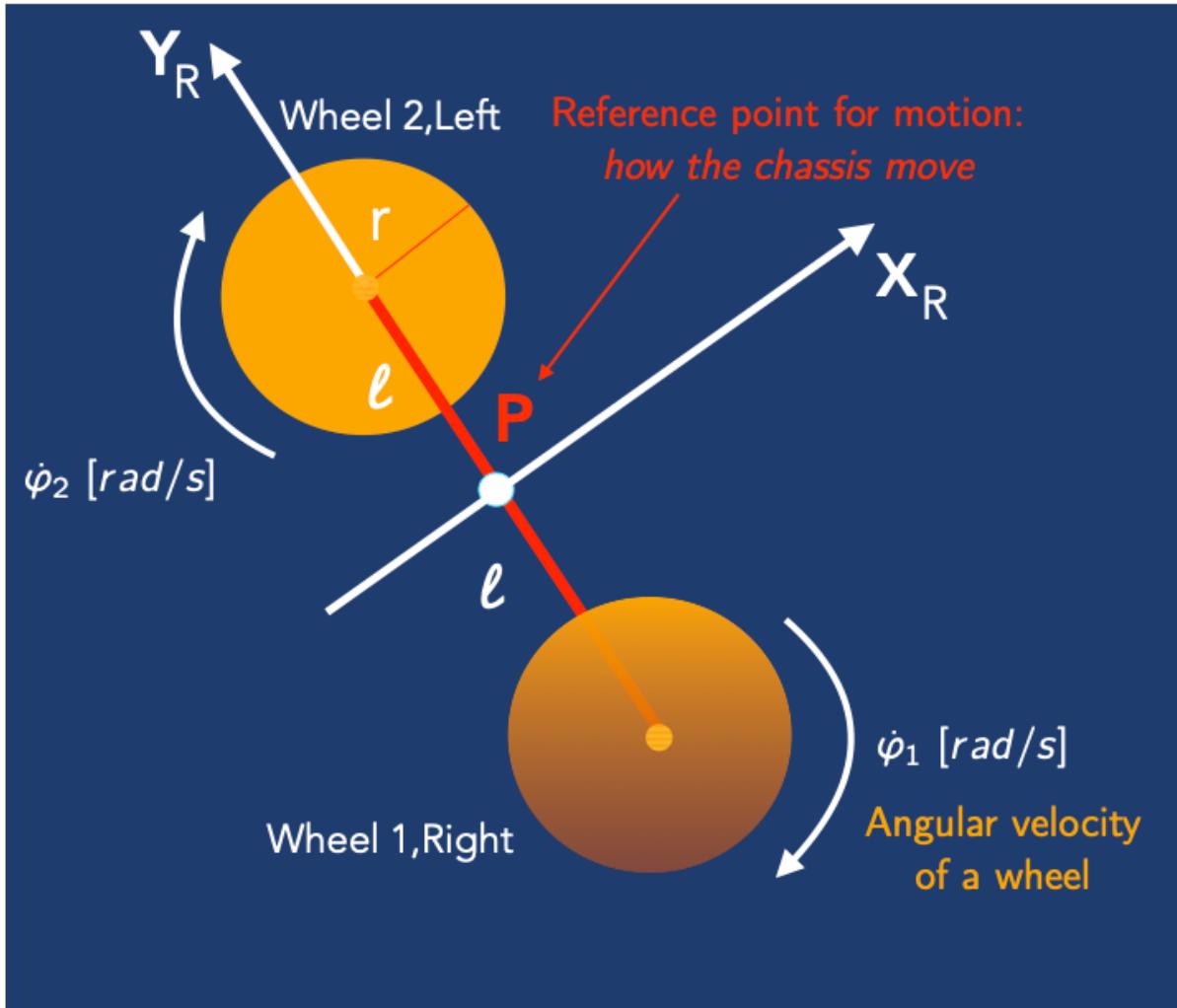
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# (Computing pose) Mobile robots: Modeling a differential robot



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# Computing pose of mobile robots: Let's go back to it!

- **Configuration variables:**  $q = [\varphi_1 \varphi_2]$  the rotation angles of the wheels
- ✓ From  $q = [\varphi_1 \varphi_2]$  we can measure total distance space  $S$  traveled by each wheel and therefore by robot  $i$  as:

$$S_{iR} = \varphi_{iR} r$$

$$S_i = \frac{S_{iR} + S_{iL}}{2}$$

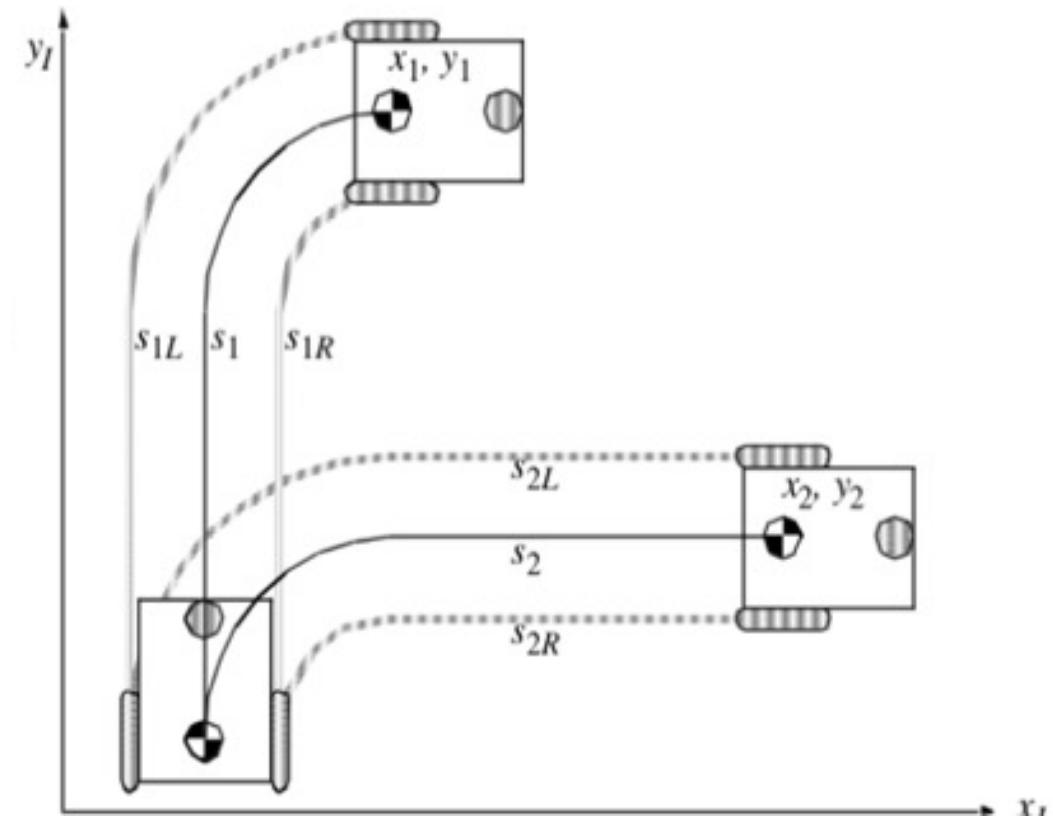
$$S_{iL} = \varphi_{iL} r$$

( $S$  of an ideal middle wheel)

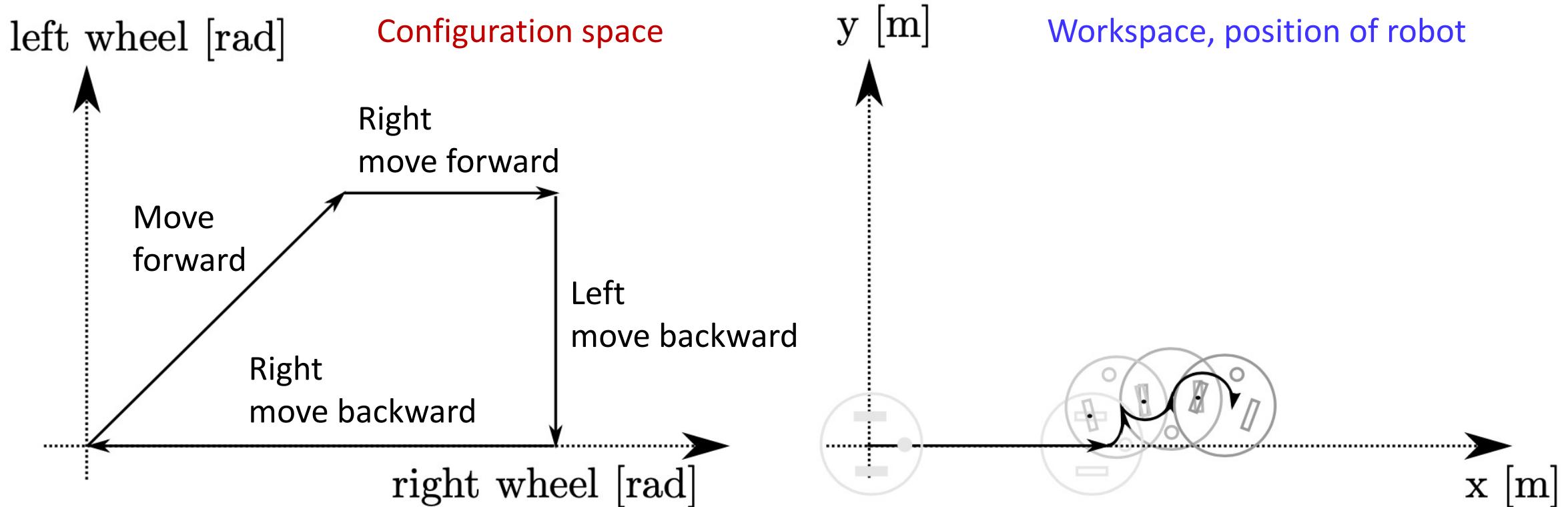
$$S_{1R} = S_{2R}$$

$$S_{1L} = S_{2L} \quad S_1 = S_2 \quad \text{but} \quad (x_1, y_1) \neq (x_2, y_2)$$

- The measure of the traveled distance  $S_*$  of each wheel is not sufficient to calculate the final position of the robot: value of  $q(t)$  as **positional variable** is not enough
- It is necessary to know how motion was executed as a function of time, **velocity profile**  $\dot{q}(t)$   
→ **Differential forward kinematics!**



# Computing pose of mobile robots: Non-holonomicity



- Closed trajectories in configuration space do not (necessarily) result in closed trajectories in the workspace → Robot's kinematics is **non-holonomic**

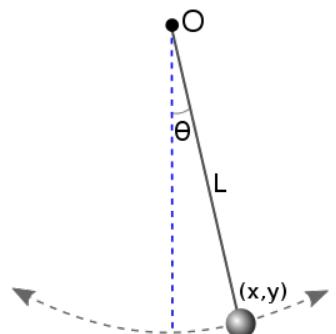
# Recap: Holonomic constraints

A **geometric constraint** imposes restrictions on the **achievable configurations** of the robot. It is based on a **functional relation** among (some subset of) the configuration variables  $q$ :

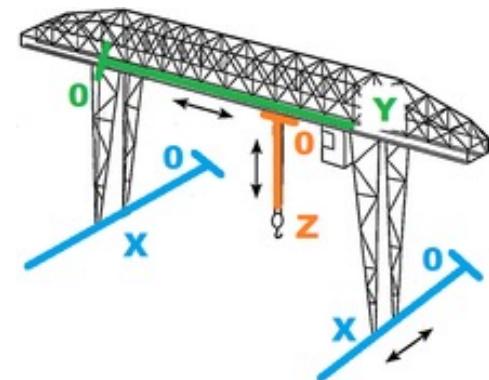
$$f(q) = 0$$



Train



Pendulum, robotic arms



Geometric constraint → **Holonomic constraint**

Gantry crane

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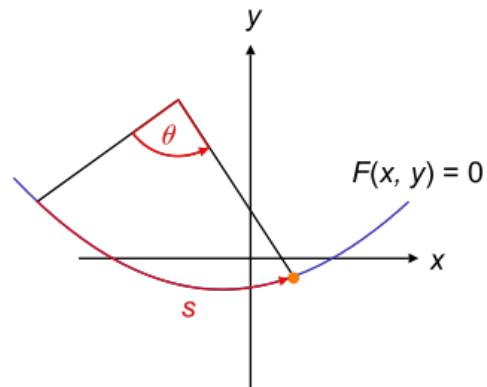
- ✓ A *geometric / holonomic constraint* is expressed through **positional variables**, e.g.,  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, x, y, z, \theta, \dots)$ , it **only** involves **generalized coordinates  $q$** , not their derivatives:

$$f(\mathbf{q}) = 0$$

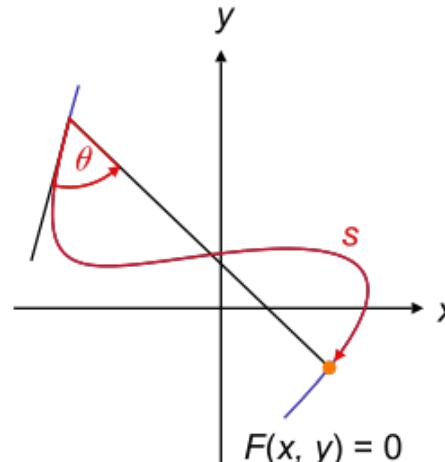
- A holonomic constraint **limits the motion of the system to a manifold of the configuration space**, depending also on the initial conditions.

$$f(\mathbf{q}, t) = 0$$

- A constraint *not* depending on time is said **scleronomous, rheonomic** otherwise.  
We focus on holonomic constraints that are scleronomous,  $f(q) = 0$

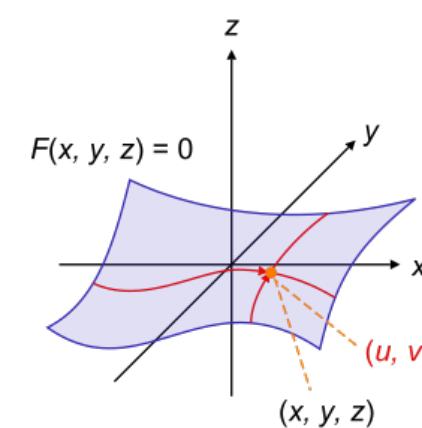


$$q = (s) \text{ or } q = (\theta)$$

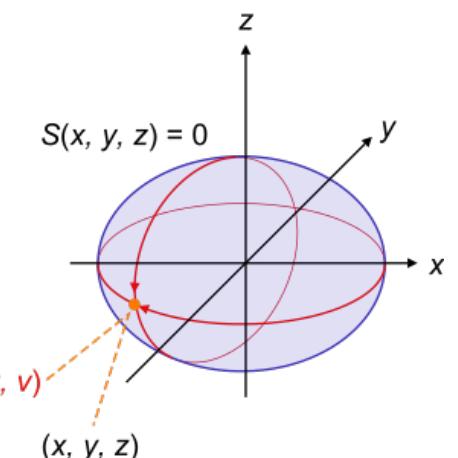


$$q = (s, \theta)$$

Need two variables to uniquely identify position in  $(x, y)$



$$q = (u, v)$$

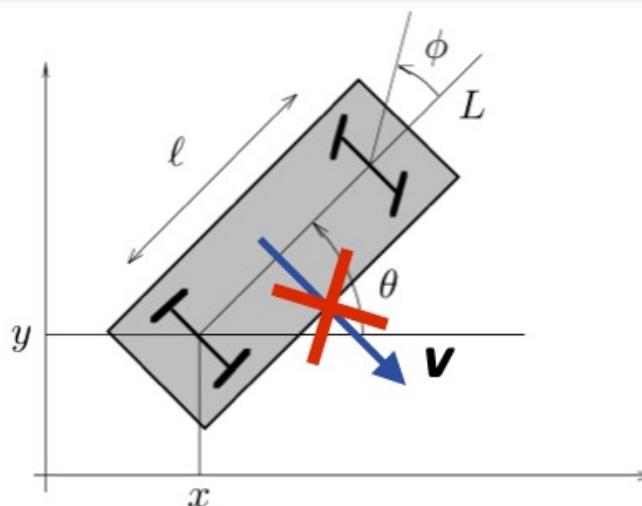


# Non-holonomic constraints

A **kinematic constraint** imposes restrictions on the **achievable velocities** of the robot.

It is based on a functional relation among configuration variables  $q$  and their derivatives,  $\dot{q}$

$$f(q, \dot{q}, t) = 0$$

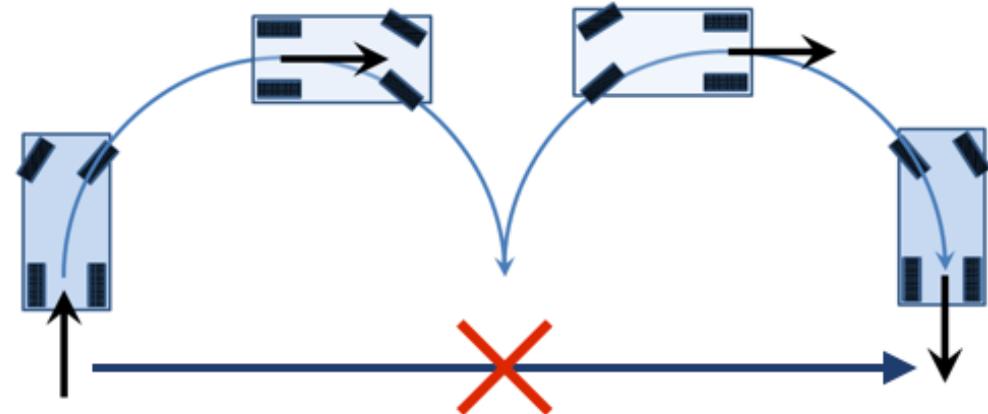


A kinematic constraint is **integrable** if it can be expressed in a form:

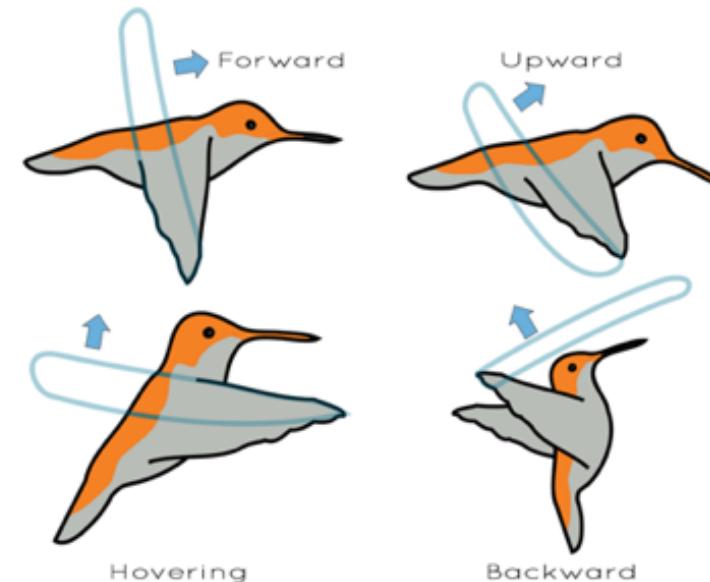
$f(q, t) = 0$  becoming a **holonomic constraint**, being expressed only through positional variables and not their derivatives

A kinematic constraint which is not integrable is a **non holonomic constraint**, which **does not limit the accessible configurations but limits the paths that can be followed to reach them**.

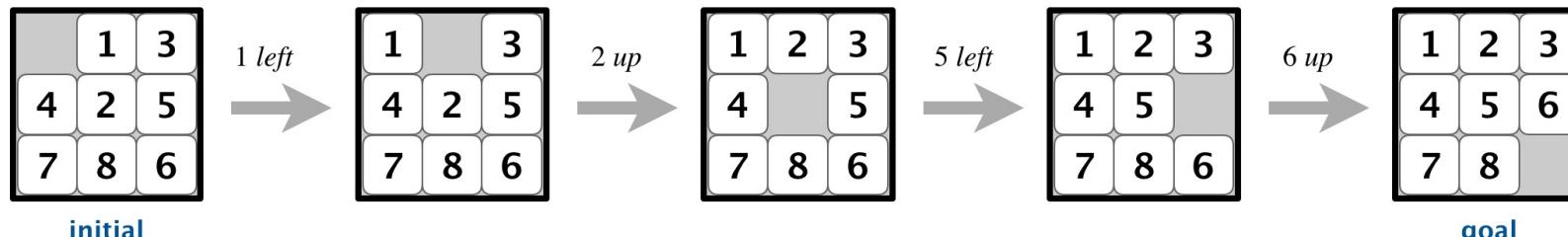
# Motion actuators and structure can determine non-holonomic constraints



Two-moves car parking:  
no side-way motion

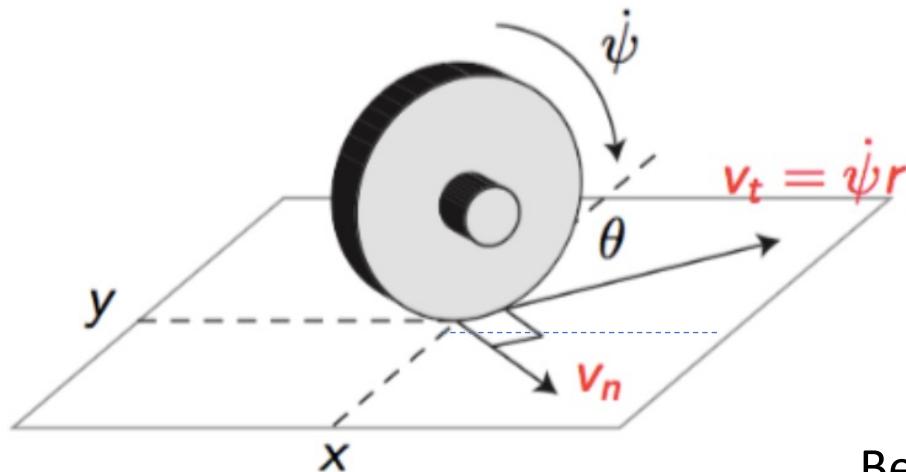


No easy side-way motion in 3D



# Motion actuators and structure can determine non-holonomic constraints

- ❖ Each standard wheel introduces in the system a non-holonomic constraint since it **doesn't allow motion in the direction normal to the rolling direction**: the wheel constrains the achievable velocities without typically limiting the achievable configurations



Without constraints, two velocity components,  $v_t, v_n$ :

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = v_t \cos \theta + v_n \cos(\theta - 90) \\ \dot{y} = v_t \sin \theta + v_n \sin(\theta - 90) \end{cases}$$

Because of the constraint of no slipping in the normal direction,  $v_n = 0$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = v_t \cos \theta \\ \dot{y} = v_t \sin \theta \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \tan \theta = \frac{\dot{y}}{\dot{x}} \Leftrightarrow \dot{x} \sin \theta - \dot{y} \cos \theta = 0$$

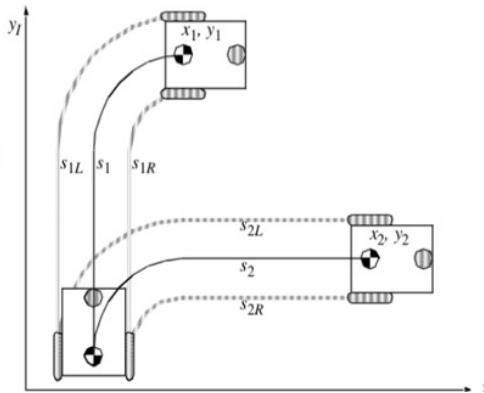
If we explicit w.r.t  $v_t$

**Non-holonomic / kinematic constraint**

# Need for working in the velocity space → Differential kinematics

The presence of non holonomic constraints forces to work in the terms of **transformations on velocities** rather than on positions

→ In presence of non holonomic constraints, the differential equations of motion are *not integrable to the final position.*

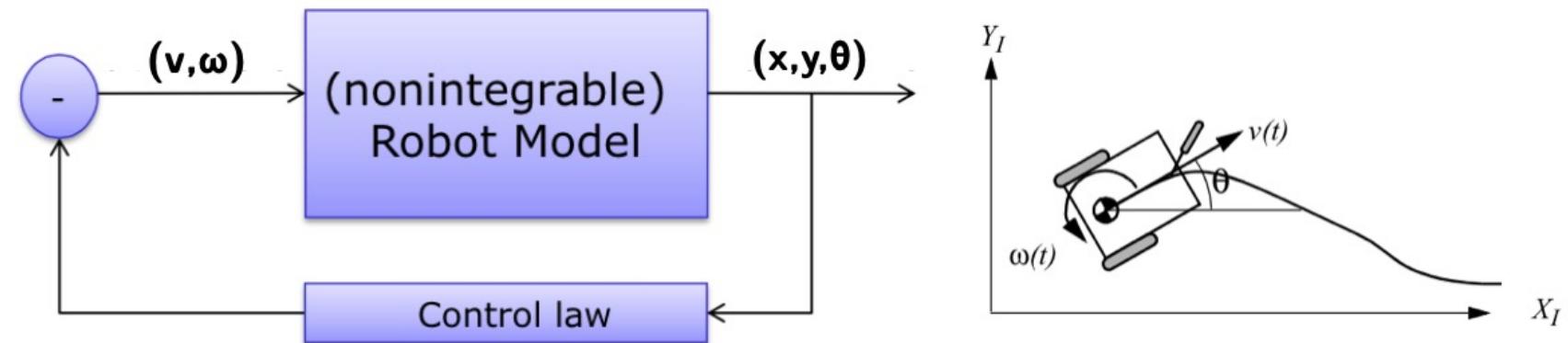


**Forward kinematics:** Transformation from configuration space to physical space

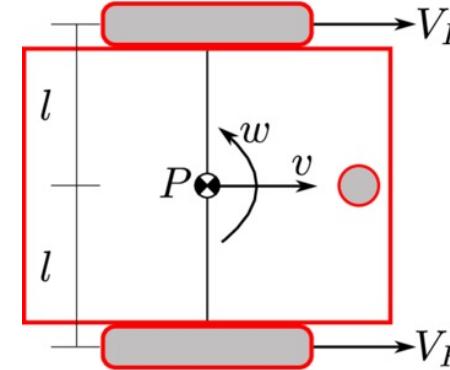
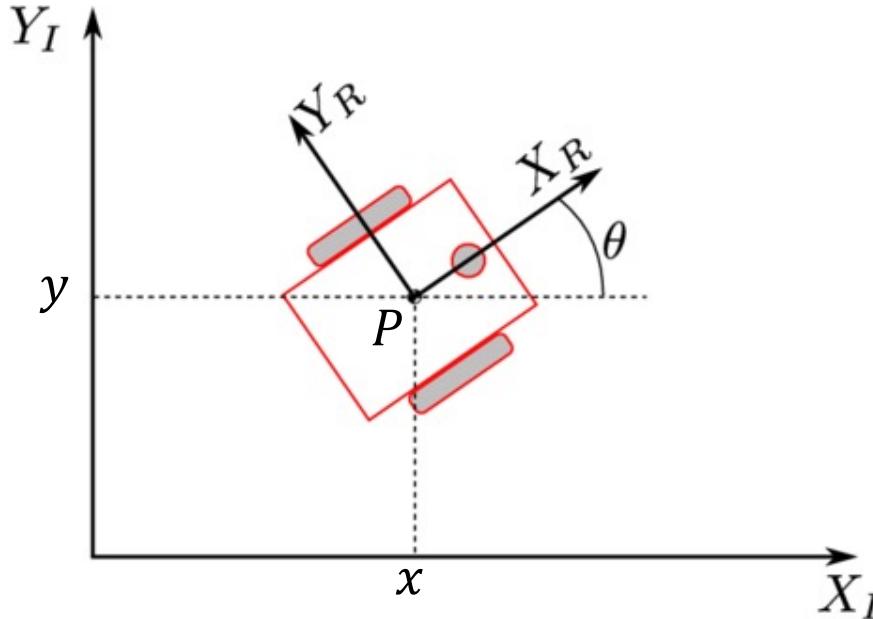
**Inverse kinematics:** Transformation from physical space to configuration space

In mobile robotics, due to (pervasive presence of) **non holonomic constraints**, usually we need to work with **differential (inverse) kinematics**:

*Transformation between velocities instead of positions*



# Differential kinematics for differential robot: Poses



**Pose in  $I$**

$$\xi_I(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ \theta(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

**Pose velocity in  $I$**

$$\dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Pose in  $R$**

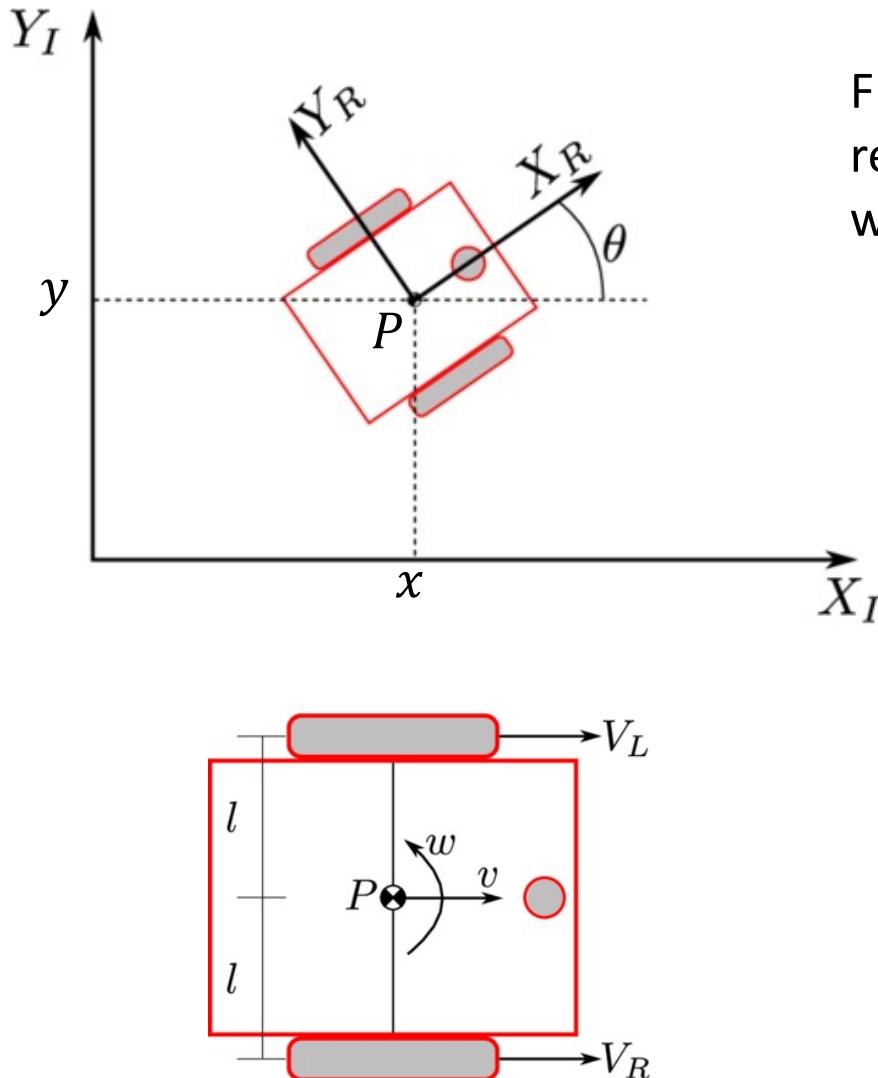
$$\xi_R(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_R(t) \\ y_R(t) \\ \theta_R(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

**Pose velocity in  $R$**

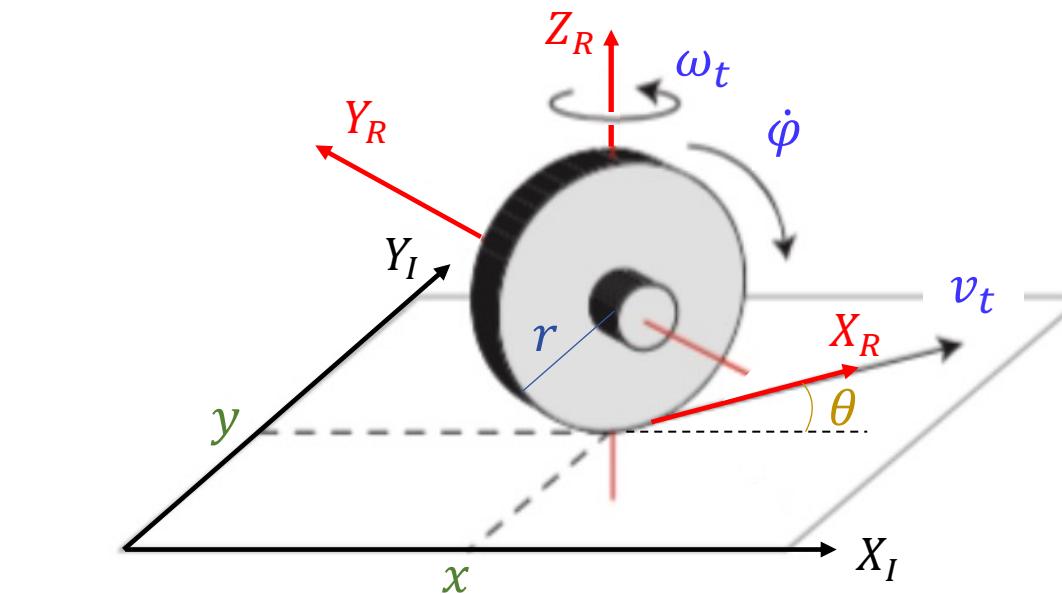
$$\dot{\xi}_R = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\xi_I$  represents the pose of the robot w.r.t. the **inertial, global reference frame  $I$**
- $\xi_R$  is the pose in the **local robot reference frame  $R$**
- The robot is always in  $(0,0,0)$  in  $R$ , but it has velocity components in  $X_R$  (linear) and about  $Z_R$  (angular)

# Differential kinematics for differential robot: unicycle model

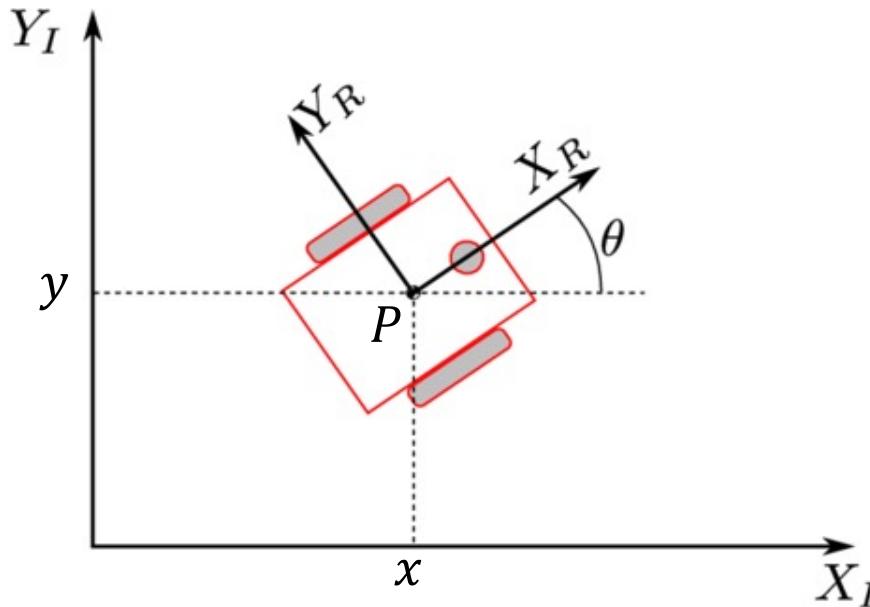


From a **purely kinematic** perspective, the motion of the robot's reference frame  $R$  centered in  $P$  is equivalent to a **unicycle** model, which abstracts the (ideal) motion of a **standard steering wheel**



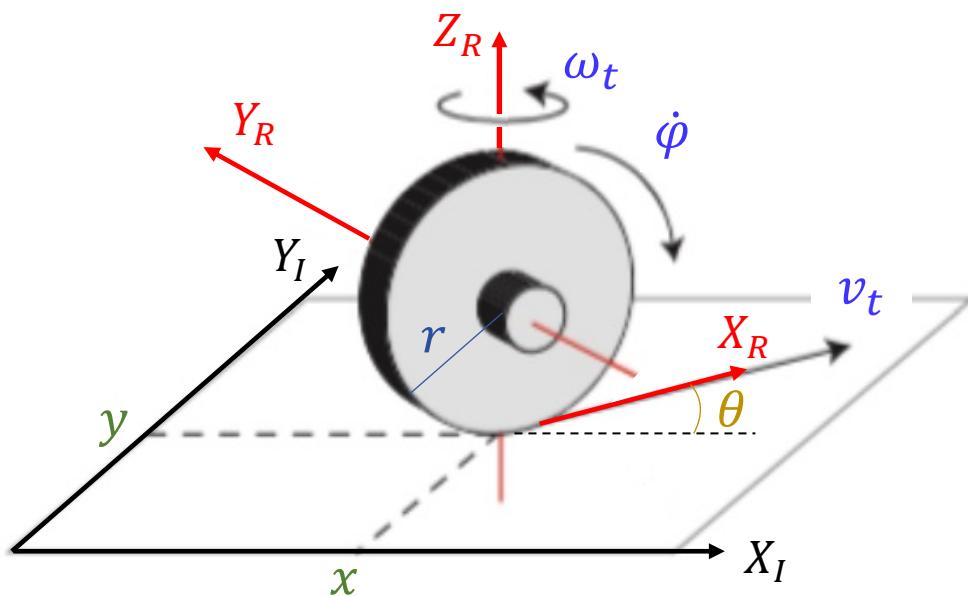
- ✓ We can **reuse** the equations found before for the one standard wheel model, and add the angular velocity  $\omega$

# Differential kinematics equations relating velocities



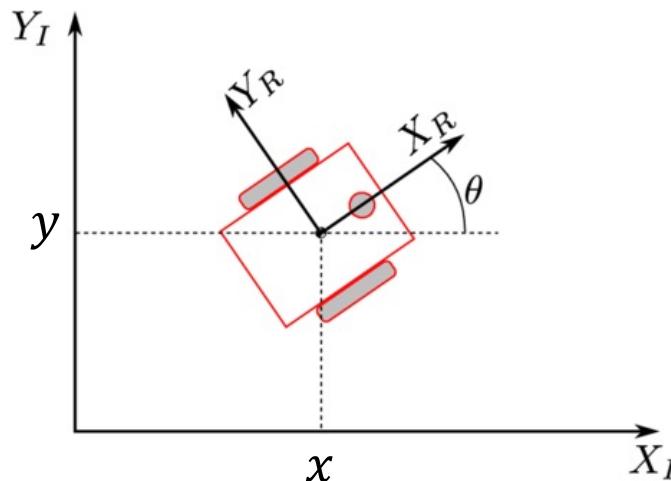
$$\dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \cos \theta \\ v(t) \sin \theta \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} v(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \omega(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix}$$



- ❖ **Differential kinematic equations** relating robot's velocity pose in  $I$  to the **twist velocity controls** issued to the robot
  - $v(t)$  = **linear / translational velocity**
  - $\omega(t)$  = **angular / rotational velocity**

# Differential kinematics equations using rotation matrix



- $\dot{\xi}_I$  and  $\dot{\xi}_R$  represent pose velocities: rate of change of the pose in the respective reference frames
- Robot's frame  $R$  is **instantaneously roto-translated w.r.t  $I$** 
  - ✓ Pose transformations apply to both pose and velocity of pose

$$\dot{\xi}_I = R(\theta)\dot{\xi}_R = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation of  $R$  w.r.t.  $I$

Instantaneous rotation matrix  
(in the  $dt$  for pose change / calculations)

$$\dot{\xi}_R = R^{-1}(\theta)\dot{\xi}_I = R^{-1}(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

- ❖ Differential kinematic equations directly relating pose velocity vectors of the two frames,  $\dot{\xi}_I$  and  $\dot{\xi}_R$

# Relating different forms of differential kinematics equations

$$\dot{\xi}_I = R(\theta) \dot{\xi}_R = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix}$$

- In  $R$ , velocity long the  $Y_R$  axis is zero (pure rolling constraint):  $\dot{y}_R = 0$
- In  $R$ , the linear velocity is  $v(t)$ , therefore:  $\dot{x}_R = v(t)$
- In  $R$ , the angular velocity is  $\omega(t)$ , therefore:  $\dot{\theta}_R = \omega(t)$

Substituting:  $\dot{\xi}_I = R(\theta) \dot{\xi}_R = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix} = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ 0 \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ 0 \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix}$

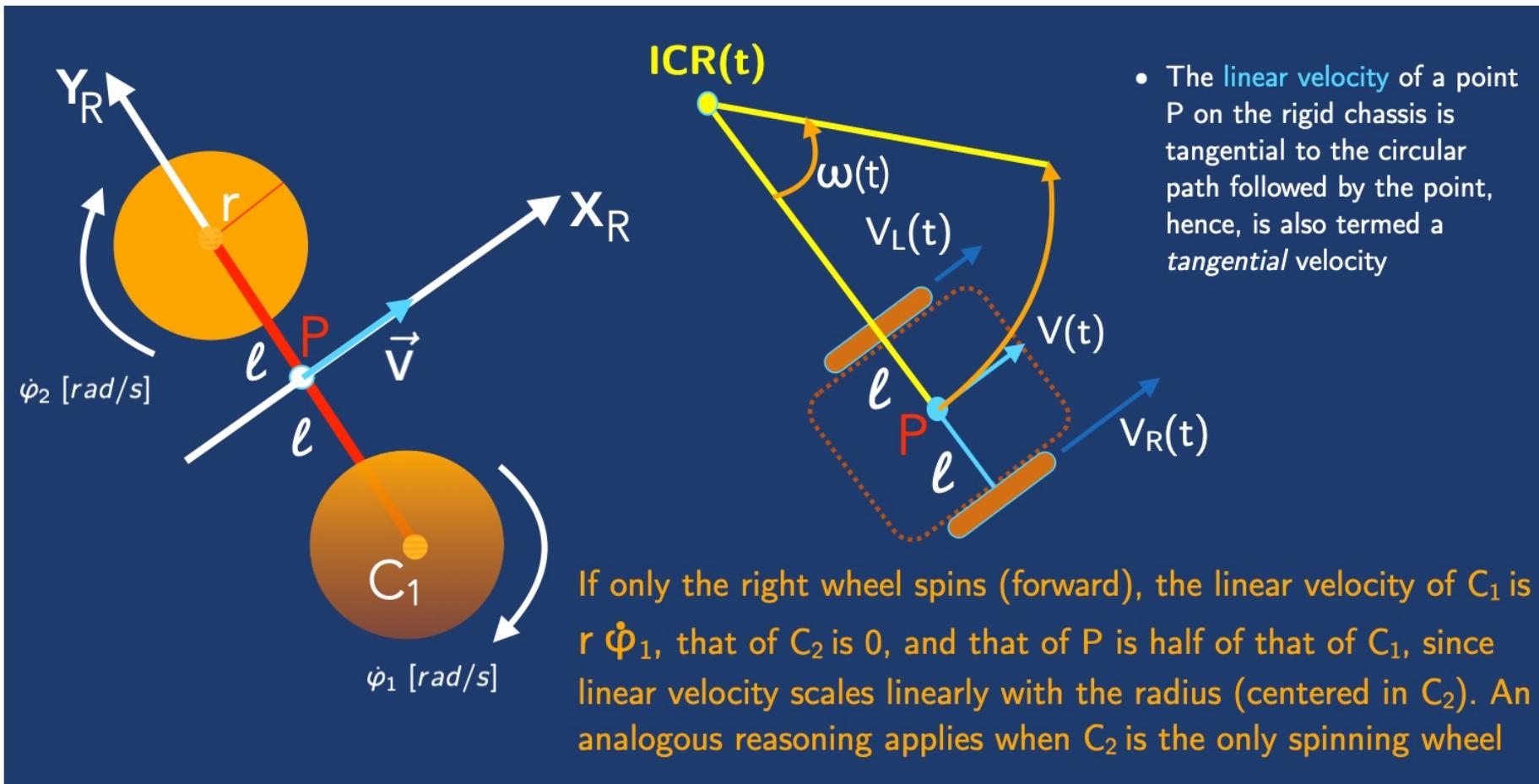
$$\dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ 0 \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Which is the same as:

$$\dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \cos \theta \\ v(t) \sin \theta \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

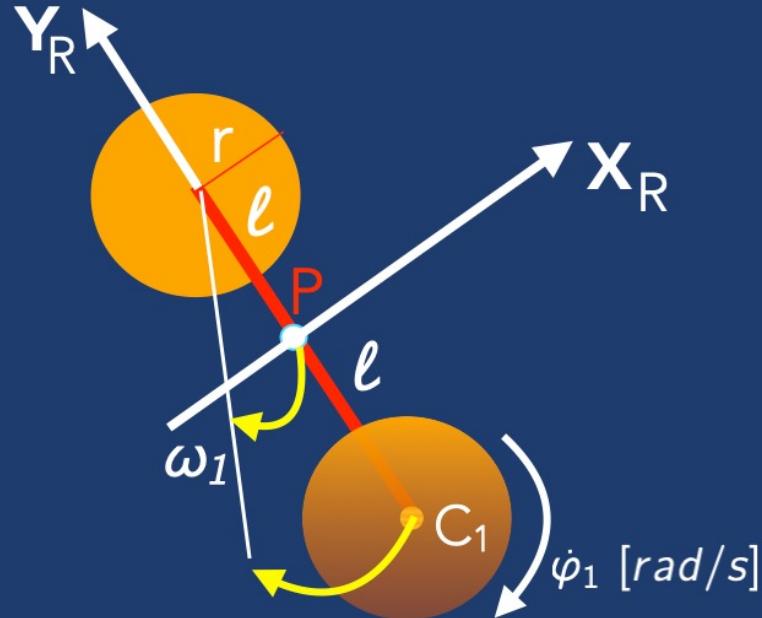
Can we express  $\dot{\xi}_R$  (and therefore in  $\dot{\xi}_I$ ) terms of **configuration coordinates**?  
→ Need to relate  $\dot{\phi}_{1,2}$  to  $v(t), \omega(t)$

# Differential robot: composition of linear velocities



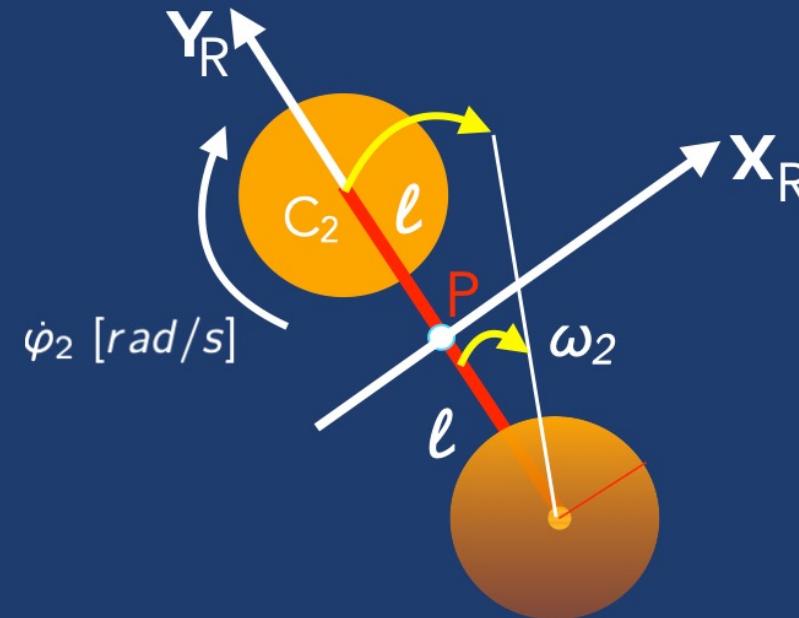
The contributions of each wheel to the tangential velocity in  $P$  can be *computed independently and added up, each divided by 2*  $v_P = \frac{r\dot{\phi}_1 + r\dot{\phi}_2}{2}$

# Differential robot: composition of angular velocities



If only the right, C<sub>1</sub> wheel spins (forward), the contribution to the angular velocity of P:

$$\omega_1 = \frac{r\dot{\varphi}_1}{2l}$$



If only the left, C<sub>2</sub> wheel spins (forward), the contribution to the angular velocity of P:

$$\omega_2 = -\frac{r\dot{\varphi}_2}{2l}$$

The contributions of each wheel to the angular velocity in P can be *computed independently and added up (signed)*

$$\omega_P = \frac{r\dot{\varphi}_1 - r\dot{\varphi}_2}{2l}$$

# Differential kinematics equations in configuration variables, $I$ frame

$$v(t) = \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) + r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2} = \frac{v_R(t) + v_L(t)}{2}$$

$$\omega(t) = \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) - r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2\ell} = \frac{v_R(t) - v_L(t)}{2\ell}$$

$$\dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ 0 \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) + r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) - r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{r}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\phi}_R(t) \\ 0 \\ -\frac{r}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} \\ \dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = R(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{v_R(t) + v_L(t)}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{v_R(t) - v_L(t)}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right.$$

Analogous expressions can be derived for the other form:

$$\dot{\xi}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \cos \theta \\ v(t) \sin \theta \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

**Summary of differential kinematic equations** for the pose velocity  $\dot{\xi}_I$  computed in the inertial frame  $I$

# Differential kinematics equations in configuration variables, $R$ frame

$$v(t) = \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) + r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2} = \frac{v_R(t) + v_L(t)}{2}$$

$$\omega(t) = \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) - r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2\ell} = \frac{v_R(t) - v_L(t)}{2\ell}$$

$$\dot{\xi}_R = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ 0 \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\xi}_R = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) + r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{r\dot{\phi}_R(t) - r\dot{\phi}_L(t)}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r}{2} & \frac{r}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{r}{2\ell} & -\frac{r}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\phi}_R(t) \\ \dot{\phi}_L(t) \end{bmatrix} \\ \dot{\xi}_R = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{v_R(t) + v_L(t)}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{v_R(t) - v_L(t)}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right.$$

**Summary of differential kinematic equations for the pose velocity  $\dot{\xi}_R$  computed in the robot's frame  $R$**

# Differential forward kinematics and Jacobian

- What about the Jacobian?

Indeed, we HAVE computed the Jacobian, which is the matrix of partial derivatives!

$$\dot{\xi}_R = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_R \\ \dot{y}_R \\ \dot{\theta}_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ 0 \\ \omega(t) \end{bmatrix} = J(\varphi_R, \varphi_L) \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\varphi}_R(t) \\ \dot{\varphi}_L(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_R}{\partial \varphi_R} & \frac{\partial x_R}{\partial \varphi_L} \\ \frac{\partial y_R}{\partial \varphi_R} & \frac{\partial y_R}{\partial \varphi_L} \\ \frac{\partial \theta_R}{\partial \varphi_R} & \frac{\partial \theta_R}{\partial \varphi_L} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\varphi}_R(t) \\ \dot{\varphi}_L(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r}{2} & \frac{r}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{r}{2\ell} & -\frac{r}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\varphi}_R(t) \\ \dot{\varphi}_L(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Pose for an (instantaneous) rotation  $(\varphi_R, \varphi_L)$

$$x_R = \frac{r\varphi_R + r\varphi_L}{2}$$

$$y_R = 0$$

$$\theta_R = \frac{r\varphi_R - r\varphi_L}{2\ell}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_R}{\partial \varphi_R} & \frac{\partial x_R}{\partial \varphi_L} \\ \frac{\partial y_R}{\partial \varphi_R} & \frac{\partial y_R}{\partial \varphi_L} \\ \frac{\partial \theta_R}{\partial \varphi_R} & \frac{\partial \theta_R}{\partial \varphi_L} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r}{2} & \frac{r}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{r}{2\ell} & -\frac{r}{2\ell} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Pose prediction? → Compute integrals of differential kinematic eqs.

For a generic robot, given  $v(t)$ ,  $\omega(t)$  as local inputs, the pose velocity in the world reference frame is:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= v(t) \cos(\theta(t)) \\ \dot{y} &= v(t) \sin(\theta(t)) \\ \dot{\theta} &= \omega(t)\end{aligned}$$

IF the time-profiles of the velocities are known, the equations can be integrated over time to predict the **time trajectory**:

$$x(t) = \int_0^t v(t) \cos(\theta(t)) dt$$

$$y(t) = \int_0^t v(t) \sin(\theta(t)) dt$$

$$\theta(t) = \int_0^t \omega(t) dt$$

For a 2-wheeled differential robot

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t (v_R(t) + v_L(t)) \cos(\theta(t)) dt$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t (v_R(t) + v_L(t)) \sin(\theta(t)) dt$$

$$\theta(t) = \frac{1}{2\ell} \int_0^t (v_R(t) - v_L(t)) dt$$