Rigid-Body Velocity and Robot Kinematics

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Review: Homogenous Transformation

- General Rigid-body Motion:
  - $T^{4\times 4} = \begin{bmatrix} R & p \\ 0_{1\times 3} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, where $R \in SO(3), p \in R^3$
  - T represent position and orientation in a single matrix
  - $\tilde{p} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in R^4$
  - $T\tilde{p}$ change reference frame of p

Review: Physical Interpretation

- Rotation (**axis-angle**):
  - Any rotation in R^3 is equivalent to rotation about a fixed axis $\hat{\omega} \in R^3$ through an positive angle θ
  - Rotation: $\{\hat{\omega}, \theta\}$
- General Rigid-Body Motion (**screw motion**):
  - Any $SE(3)$ motion is equivalent to rotating about axis $\hat{\omega} \in R^3$ through angle θ while also translating along axis for d. This axis pass through point $q \in R^3$
  - Homogenous Transformation: $\{\hat{\omega}, \theta, q, d\}$

Topics

- **Exponential Coordinate of SE(3)**
- Rigid-Body Velocity
- Robot Kinematics
- Case study: Hand-Eye Calibration

Recall: the Lie Algebra of SO(3)

- Exponential coordinate:
  - $\widehat{\omega}\theta \in R^3$
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  - $[\widehat{\omega}]\theta \in so(3)$
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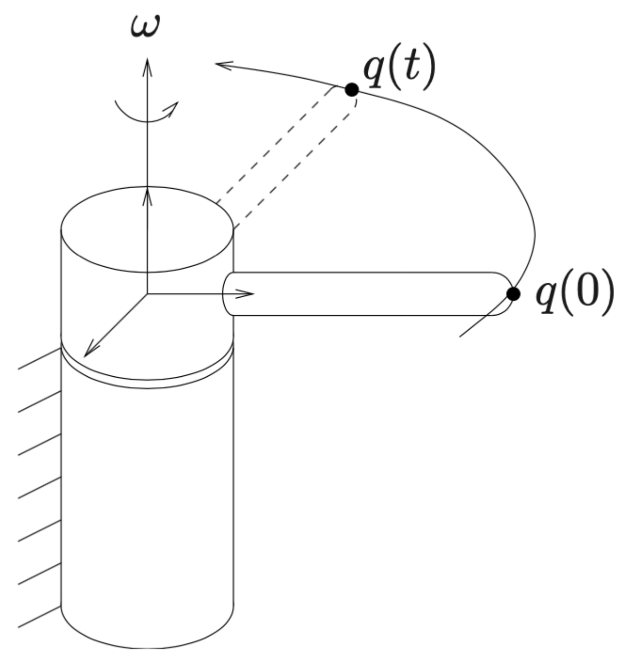
- $se(3)$ matrix:
  - $[\hat{\xi}]\theta \in se(3)$
- Homogenous transformation matrix:
  - T$= e^{[\hat{\xi}]\theta} \in SE(3)$
- Interpretation:
  - Screw motion

Recall: Find so(3) via ODE

- Consider a point q in body frame. At time $t = 0$, the position is q_0. Rotate q with **unit angular velocity** around axis $\widehat{\omega}$:
  - $v = \widehat{\omega} \times r$
  - $\dot{q}(t) = \widehat{\omega} \times q(t) = [\widehat{\omega}]q(t)$
  - $\mathrm{q(t)} = e^{[\widehat{\omega}]t} q_0$
  - Since $\theta(t) = t$

$$p(\theta) = e^{[\widehat{\omega}]\theta} p_0$$

  - $[\widehat{\omega}] \in so(3)$



Find se(3) via ODE of Screw Motion

- Consider a point p in body frame. Rotate p with **unit angular velocity** around fixed axis $\widehat{\omega}$, q is any point on this axis, the linear velocity along axis $\widehat{\omega}$ is v_ω:

  - $\dot{p}(t) = \widehat{\omega}\times(p(t) - q) + v_\omega = [\widehat{\omega}]p(t) - \widehat{\omega}\times q + v_\omega$

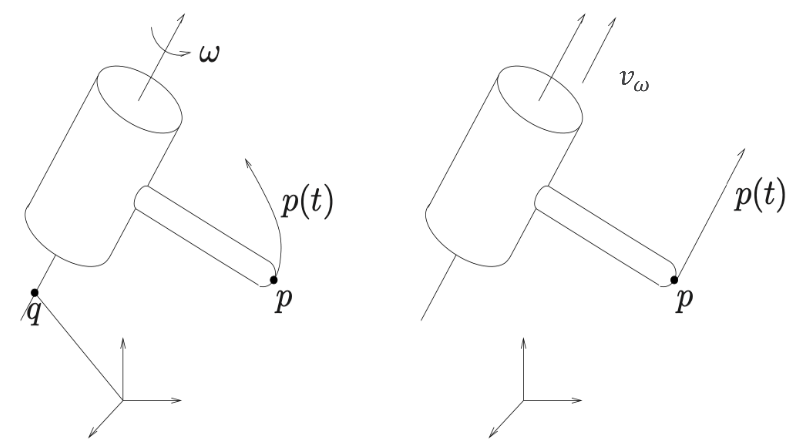
  - $A \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} [\widehat{\omega}] & -[\widehat{\omega}]q + v_\omega \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} [\widehat{\omega}] & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{p}(t) = e^{At}\tilde{p}_0$

  - Since $\theta(t) = t$

$$\tilde{p}\,(\theta) = e^{A\theta}\tilde{p}_0$$

  - For matrix A, $e^{A\theta} \in SE(3)$

$$A\theta \in se(3)$$



Exponential Coordinate of SE(3)

- For rotation, define $[\hat{\omega}]\theta \in so(3)$

- For homogenous transformation, $\hat{\xi}\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\omega} \\ v \end{bmatrix} \theta \in R^6$:

$$se(3) \triangleq \{[\hat{\xi}]\theta = \begin{bmatrix} [\hat{\omega}] & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \theta : [\omega]\theta \in so(3)\}$$

- Recall: $\hat{\omega}\theta$ is the exponential coordinate of 3D rotation

- Similarly, $\hat{\xi}\theta \in R^6$ is the **exponential coordinate** of $SE(3)$

- $\hat{\xi}$ is the **direction of motion**, which is also called **Unit Twist**

Exponential Mapping of se(3)

- $\hat{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{\omega} \\ v \end{bmatrix}$, $e^{[\hat{\xi}]\theta} \in SE(3)$

$$e^{[\hat{\xi}]\theta} = I + [\hat{\xi}] + \frac{1 - cos\theta}{\theta^2}[\hat{\xi}]^2 + \frac{\theta - sin\theta}{\theta^3}[\hat{\xi}]^3$$

- This formula has **different form** compared to $e^{[\widehat{\omega}]\theta}$ for rotation
- Similarly, a log function exists uniquely: $SE(3) \rightarrow se(3)$
- Note that $\hat{\xi}$ means that the **first three value** has norm one, in another word $\widehat{\omega}$ is a unit vector, **no guarantee for v**

Example: $\hat{\xi}\theta$ to SE(3)

- Given $\hat{\xi}_{sb}^{s}\theta = [\pi, 0,0,0, \pi, 0]^T$, superscript: $\{s\}$ frame

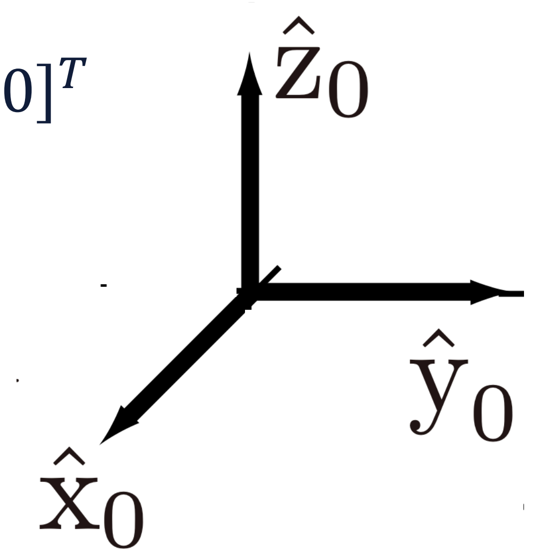
1. Find $\hat{\xi}_{sb}^{s} = [1,0,0,0,1,0]^T$, $\theta = \pi$

2. Find rotation matrix by $\widehat{\omega} = [1,0,0]^T$

3. Find screw axis $(\widehat{\omega}, q)$ by $\mathrm{v} = -\widehat{\omega} \times q + v_\omega$

$$v_\omega = [0,0,0]^T, -\widehat{\omega} \times q = [0,1,0]^T$$
$$\mathrm{q} = [0,0,1]^T$$

4. Find origin after transformation



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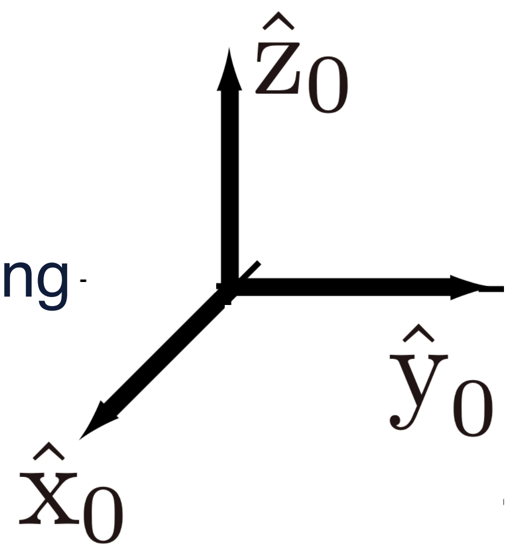
1. $q = [0,0,1]^T, \widehat{\omega} = [1,0,0]^T, v_\omega = [0,0,0]^T$

2. Recall screw motion

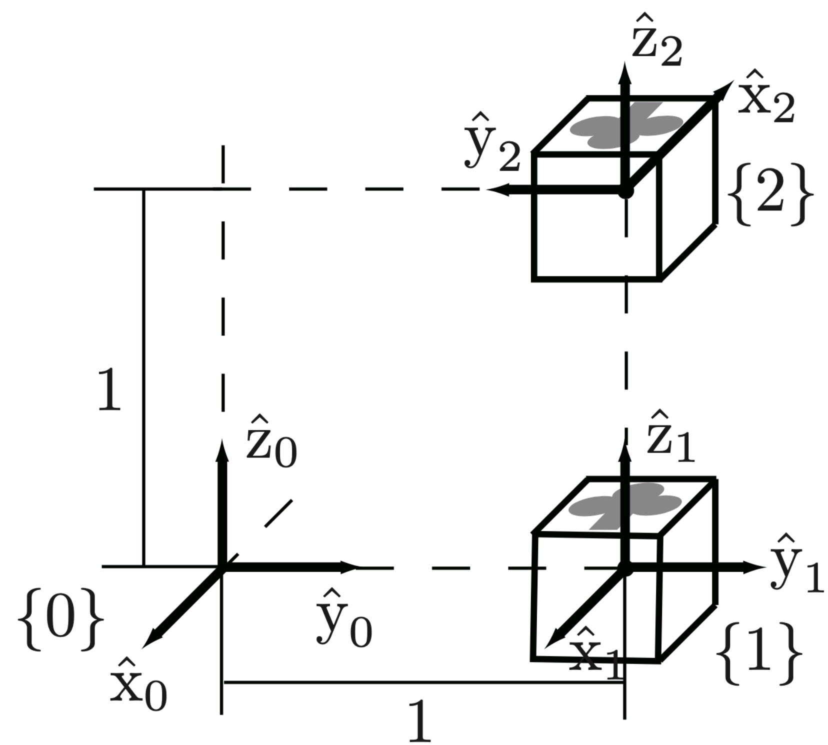
$$T_{sb} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Same result using exponential mapping



Example: SE(3) to $\hat{\xi}\theta$

Given $SE(3)$, find screw motion $T_{02} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$



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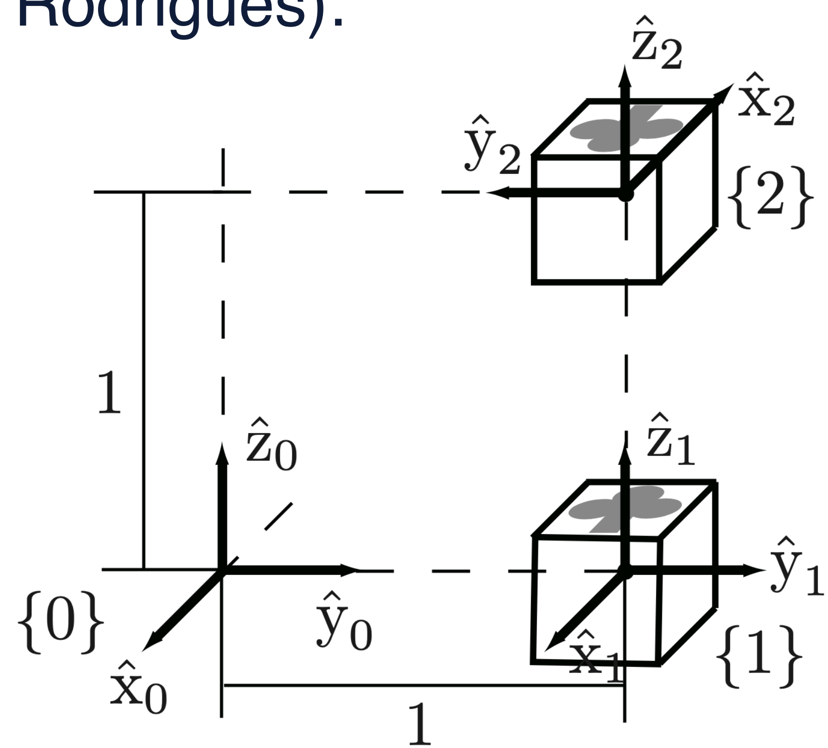
- Consider **rotation only** (Inverse Rodrigues):
  - $tr(R) = -1 \Rightarrow \theta = \pi$
  - $\hat{\omega} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1+r_{33})}} \begin{bmatrix} r_{13} \\ r_{23} \\ 1 + r_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$



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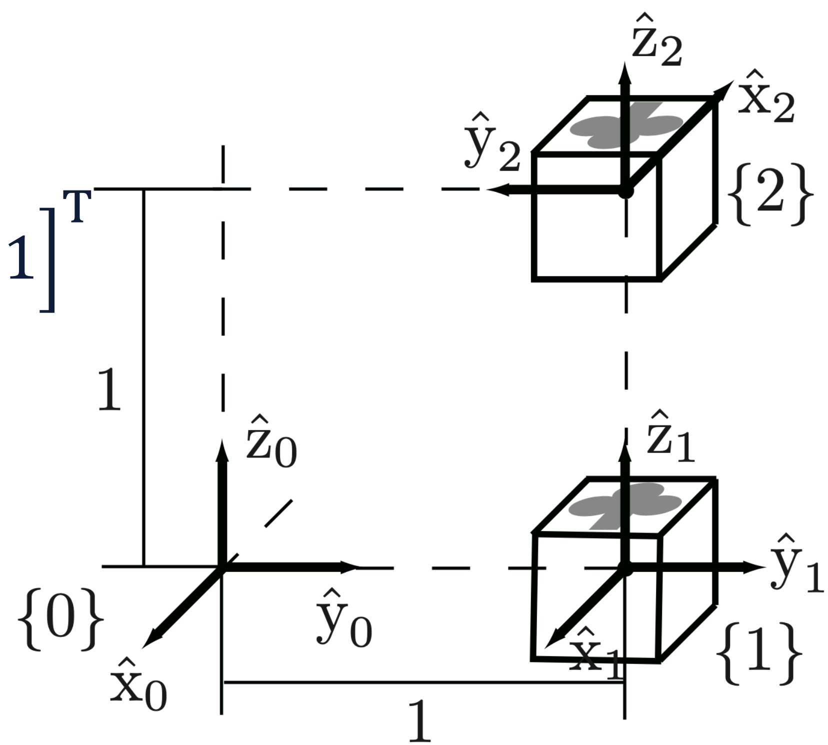
- Find screw axis $q = \left[0, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right]^T$

- Since $\mathrm{v}\theta = -\omega \times q + v_\omega \theta = \left[\frac{\pi}{2}, 0, 1\right]^{\mathrm{T}}$

- Find $\hat{\xi}\theta = \left[0, 0, \pi, \frac{\pi}{2}, 0, 1\right]^T$



Comparison: SO(3) and SE(3)

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Angular Velocity from SO(3)

Question: for moving frame $R(t)$, find angular velocity ω at any time t

Consider a point q fixed on a moving frame $\{b\}$:

- Fact 1, change reference frame:
  - $q_s(t) = R_{sb}(t)q_b \rightarrow \dot{q}_s(t) = \dot{R}_{sb}(t)q_b$
  - $\dot{q}_s(t) = \dot{R}_{sb}(t)R_{sb}^T(t)R_{sb}(t)q_b = \dot{R}_{sb}(t)R_{sb}^T(t)q_s(t)$
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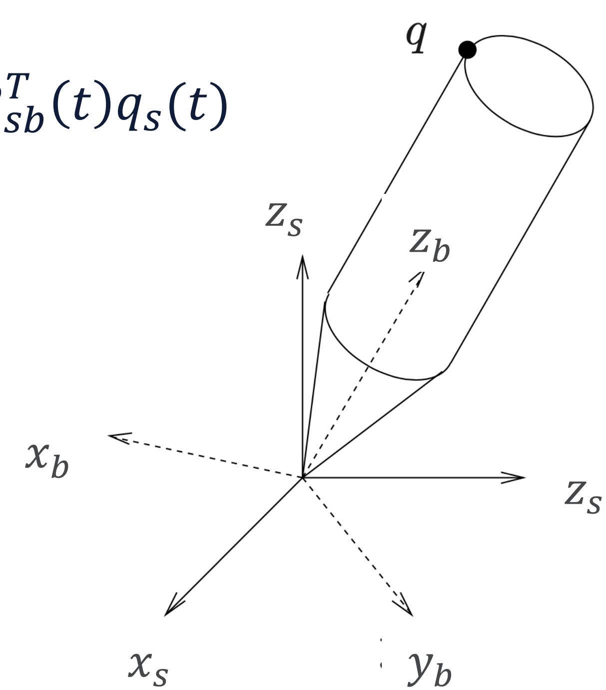

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  - $\dot{q}_s(t) = [\omega(t)]q_s(t)$

- For any q and ω $[\omega(t)]q_s(t) = \dot{R}_{sb}(t)R_{sb}^{-1}(t)q_s(t)$:

$$[\omega(t)] = \dot{R}_{sb}(t)R_{sb}^{-1}(t)$$

Angular Velocity of Rigid-Body

$$[\omega(t)] = \dot{R}_{sb}(t)R_{sb}^{-1}(t)$$

- Why $\dot{R}_{sb}(t)R_{sb}(t)$ can represent angular velocity?
- $\dot{R}_{sb}(t)R_{sb}(t)$ is a skew-symmetric matrix:
  - $R(t)R^T(t) = I \xrightarrow{derivative} \dot{R}(t)R^T(t) + R(t)\dot{R}^T(t) = 0$
  - $\dot{R}(t)R^T(t) = -R(t)\dot{R}^T(t) = -\left(\dot{R}(t)R^T(t)\right)^T$
  - $R(t)\dot{R}^T(t) \in so(3)$, which is a skew-symmetric matrix

General Velocity of Rigid-Body

Velocity of general motion can be represented as **twist**:

Similarly, $[\xi] = \dot{T}(t)\, T^{-1}(t), T \in SE(3)$

$\xi_{sb}^{s} = \dot{T}_{sb} T_{sb}^{-1}$, which is called **Spatial Twist**

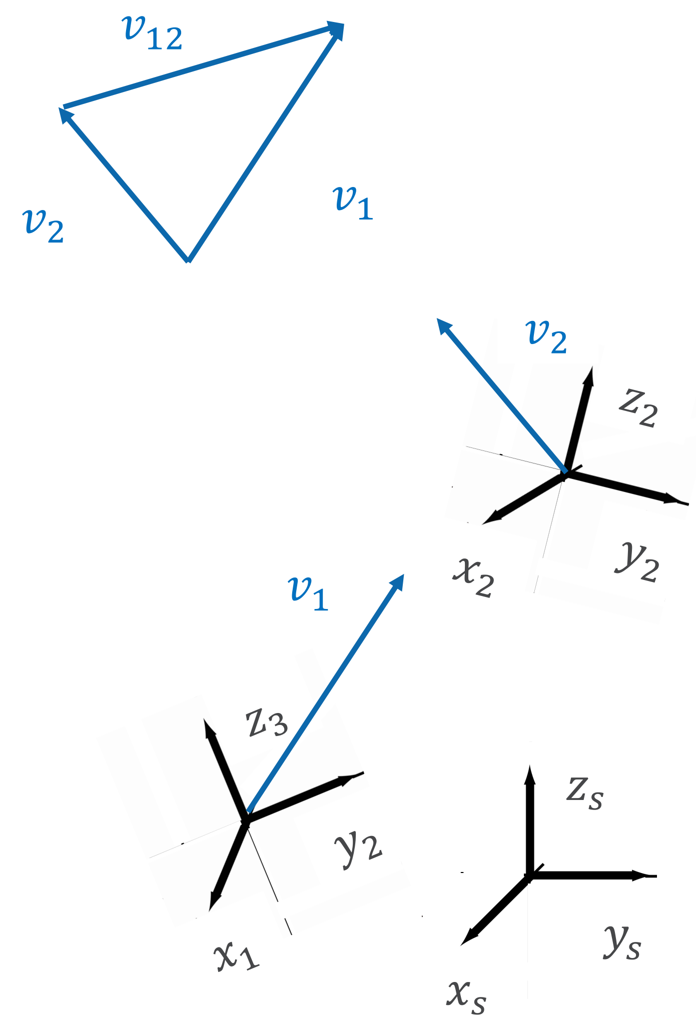
- Recall: exponential coordinate of $SE(3)$ is $\hat{\xi}\theta$
- $\hat{\xi}$ is called **unit twist**, where the $\widehat{\omega}$ in $\hat{\xi}$ is a unit vector

What is a Twist?

- **Unit twist** is the **direction of motion**:
  - $\hat{\xi}\theta$ can representation $SE(3)$ motion
- **Twist** is the **velocity** of general rigid-body motion**:**
  - ξ contains angular velocity and “linear velocity”
  - ξt can representation $SE(3)$ motion

How to Record a Velocity

- Any motion is relative: e.g. the velocity of frame {2} with respect to frame {1}
- Velocity of {2} relative to {1} is v_{12} :



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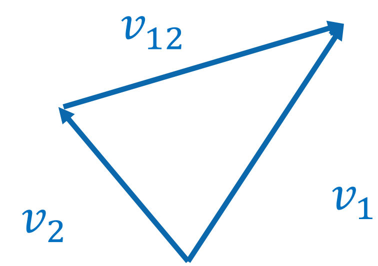
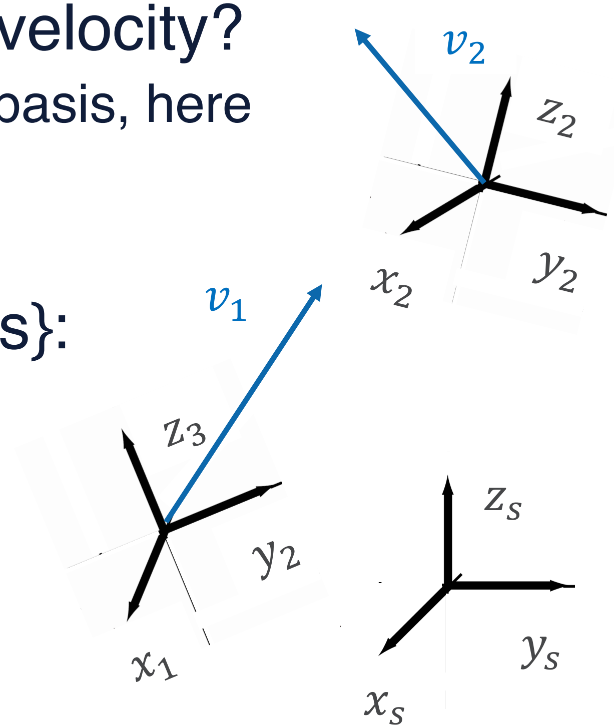


- Velocity of $\{2\}$ relative to $\{1\}$ is v_{12} :
- Question: in which frame we record the velocity?
  - In order to write down v_{12}, we a set of x, y, z basis, here we have three sets: $\{s\}, \{1\}, \{2\}$
- If we record this velocity using basis of {s}:
  - The vector v_{12} is recorded as v_{12}^{s}
- Similarly, using $\{1\}$ to record:
  - The velocity v_{12} is recorded as v_{12}^{1}



Record a Twist

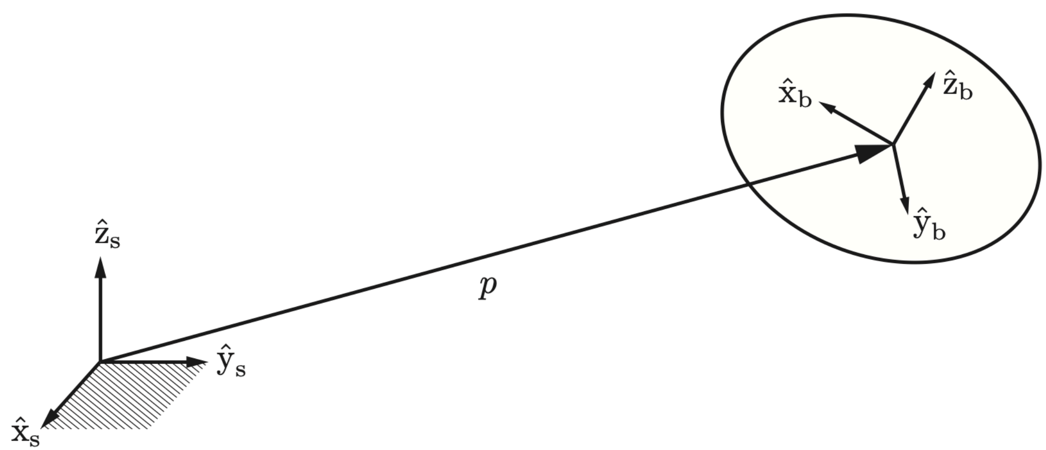
- Any twist is relative: e.g. the twist of frame $\{2\}$ with respect to frame $\{1\}$, since **twist is a generalized velocity**
- Twist of $\{2\}$ relative to $\{1\}$ is ξ_{12} :
- Thus, ξ_{12}^{s} means record ξ_{12} using basis of $\{s\}$
- The superscription of twist ξ^{X} is where the twist is recorded
- This is a reflection of Galilean Transformation Invariance

Adjoint Matrix

- How to change the reference frame of a twist
- Adjoint matrix is used to change the reference frame of twist
- Adjoint matrix: $[Ad_T] \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} R & 0 \\ [p]R & R \end{bmatrix} \in R^{6\times 6}$
- $\xi_{12}^{s} = [Ad_{T_{sb}}]\xi_{12}^{b} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{sb}\omega_{12}^{b} \\ [p_{sb}]R_{sb}\omega_{12}^{b} + R_{sb}v_{12}^{b} \end{bmatrix}$
  - Where $T_{sb} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{sb} & p_{sb} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\xi_{12}^{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{12}^{b} \\ v_{12}^{b} \end{bmatrix}$
- Equivalently, $[\xi_{12}^{s}] = T_{sb}[\xi_{12}^{b}]T_{sb}^{-1}$

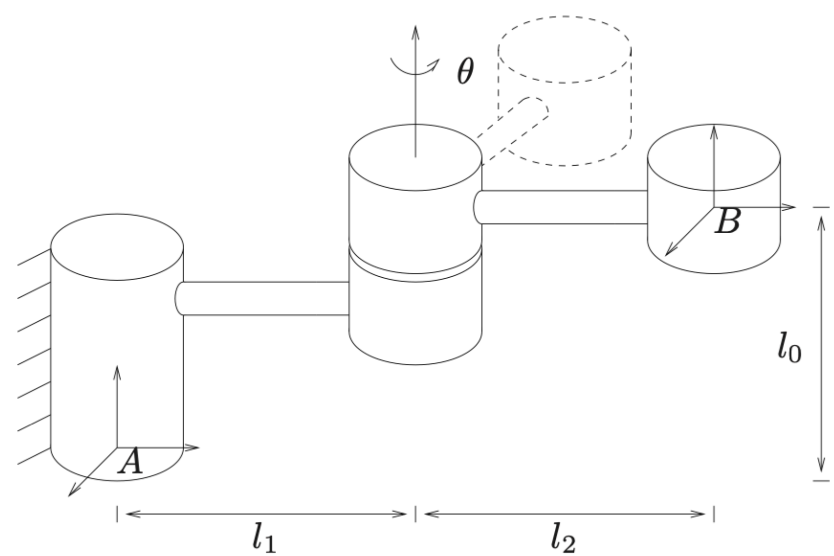
Spatial Twist and Body Twist

- $\xi_{sb}^{s} = \dot{T}_{sb} T_{sb}^{-1}$, which is called **Spatial Twist**
- $\xi_{sb}^{b} = T_{sb}^{-1}\ \dot{T}_{sb}$, which is called **Body Twist**
- Spatial Twist: velocities of the point in the body frame that corresponds with **the origin of the world frame**



Example: General Rigid-Body Velocity

- Given the motion of rigid-body
  - $$T_{BA}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} cos\theta(t) & -sin\theta(t) & 0 & -l_2 sin\theta(t) \\ sin\theta(t) & cos\theta(t) & 0 & l_1 + l_2 cos\theta(t) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & l_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- What is the spatial twist?
- What is the body twist?



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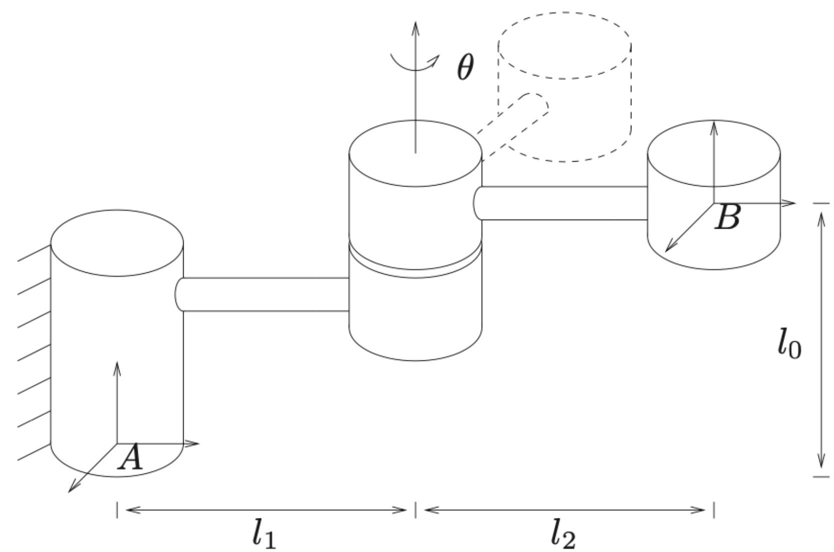
- $[\xi_{AB}^{A}] = \dot{T}T^{-1}, \xi_{AB}^{A} = [0,0,1, \mathrm{l}_1, 0,0]$

- $\xi_{AB}^{B} = T^{-1}\dot{T} = \left[Ad_{T_{AB}^{-1}}\right][\xi_{AB}^{A}]$



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Robot Kinematics

Kinematics:

- Motion of bodies including spatial relationship of different objects and their velocity. Kinematics **does not consider** how to achieve motion via force

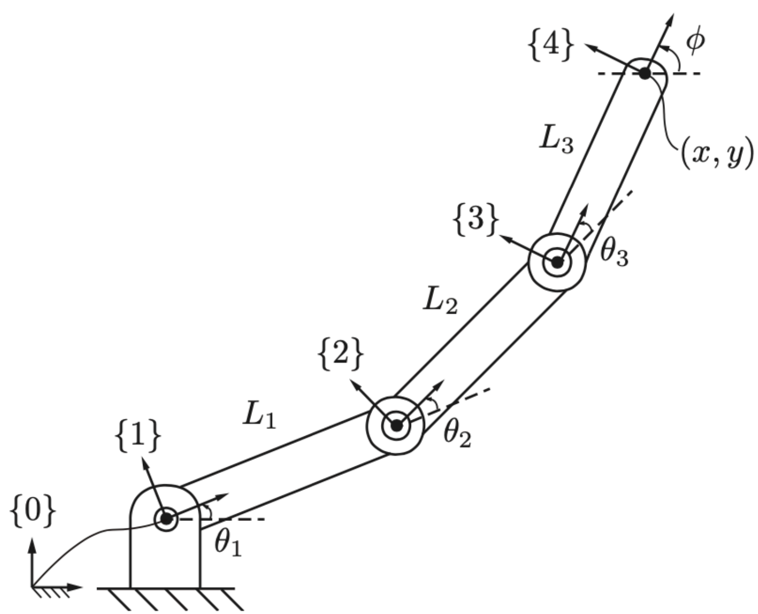
Link and Joint

Link:

- **Links** are the rigid-body connected in sequence

Joint:

- **Joints** are the movable components of a **robot/object** that cause relative motion between adjacent links

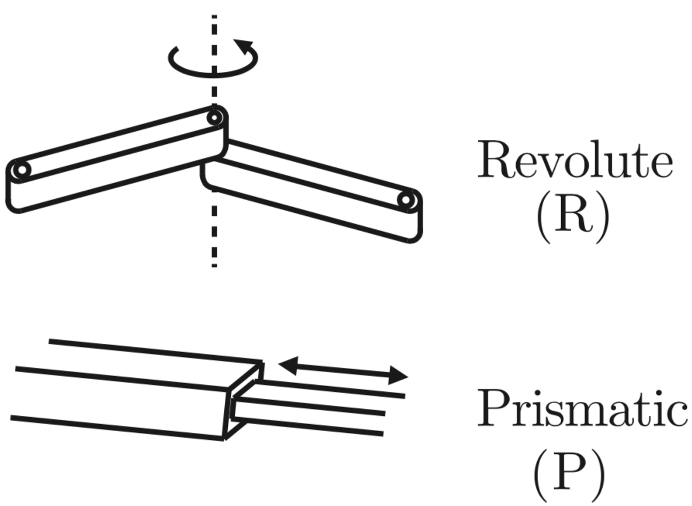


Two Common Joint Type

Joint:

- Revolute/Hinge/Rotational joint

- Prismatic/Translational joint

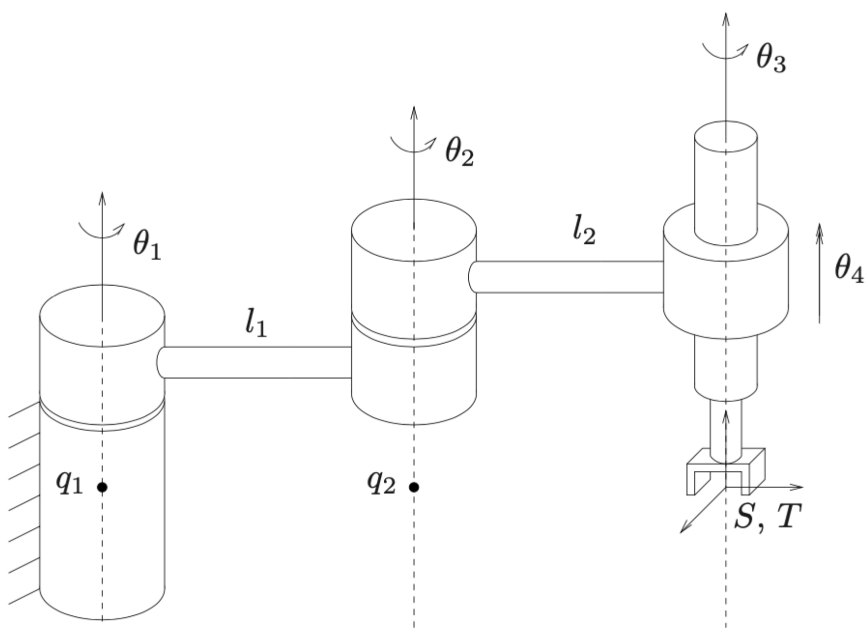


Forward Kinematics

Robot Forward Kinematics:

- Calculate the position and orientation of a robot link (often end-effector) given its joint variables $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \ldots\ldots, \theta_n)$

- Before calculation, we need to **assign a frame** at each robot link



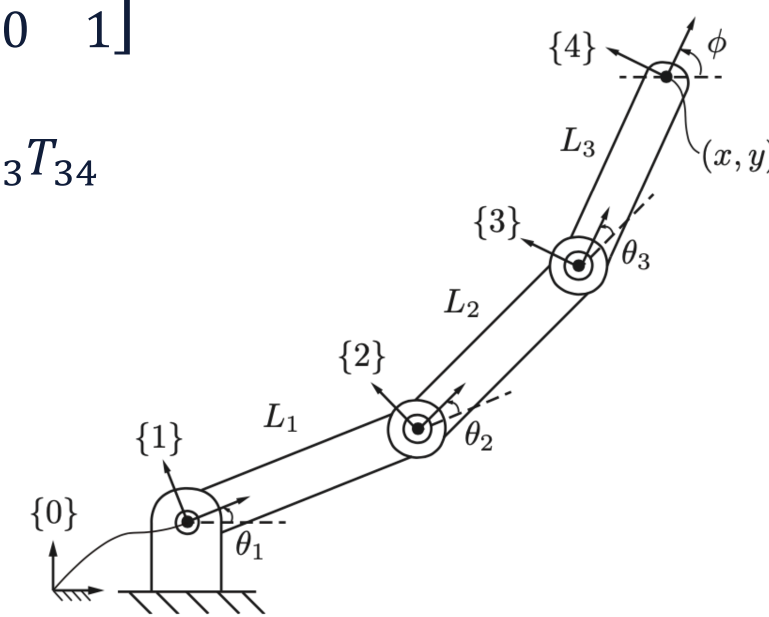
Example: Forward Kinematics

Robot forward kinematics calculation:

- Represent the motion of each joint in $SE(3)$
- Simply multiply each matrix

$$T_{01} = Rot(\hat{z}, \theta_1) \begin{bmatrix} cos\theta_1 & sin\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ sin\theta_1 & cos\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ similarly } T_{12}, T_{23}, T_{34}$$

$$T_{04} = T_{01} T_{12} T_{23} T_{34}$$

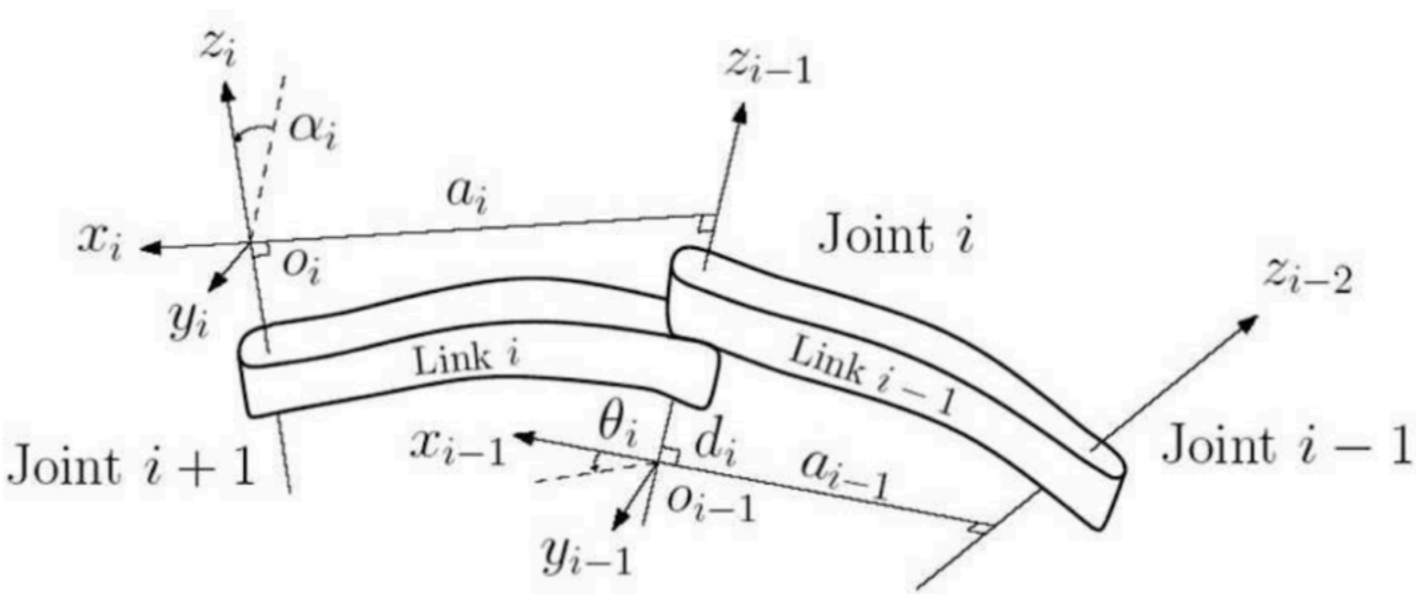


D-H Parameters

Frame assignment in 3D space is not trivial

Can we find a unique way to assign frames?

- **Denavit-Hartenberg (D-H) Parameters**:
  - Applying a set of rules which specify the position and orientation of frames attached to each link of the robot



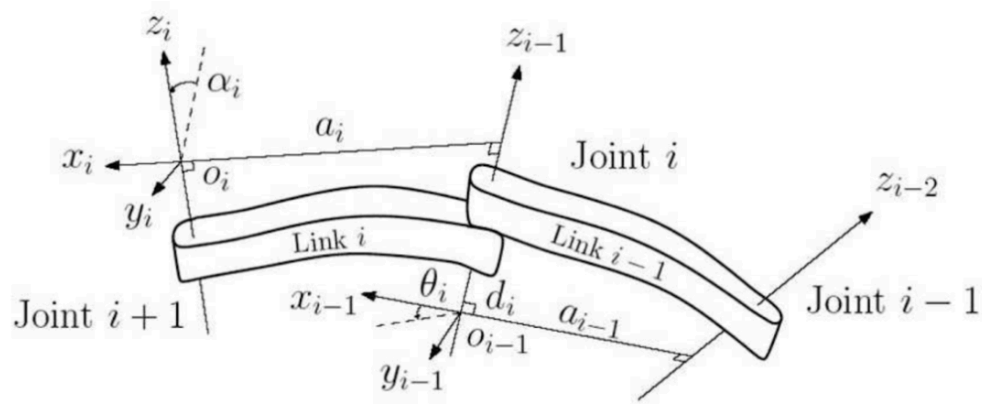
D-H Parameters

- **Denavit-Hartenberg (D-H) Parameters**:
  - Redundancy of link relative pose, no need to use 6-DoF $SE(3)$ representation

  - Link offset d_i: translate along z_{i-1}
  - Link length a_i: translate along x_i
  - Twist angle θ_i: rotate along x_i

- No need to understand these parameters in this course

- D-H parameters can **represent robot kinematics model**



Example: D-H Table

7 DOF
spherical

i	α_i	a_i	d_i	θ_i
1	$\pi / 2$	0	-D1	q1
2	$\pi / 2$	0	0	q2
3	$\pi / 2$	0	-(D2 + D3)	q3
4	$\pi / 2$	0	-e2	q4
5	$\pi / 2$	0	-(D4 + D5)	q5
6	$\pi / 2$	0	0	q6
7	π	0	-(D6 + D7)	q7

Jacobian

- Recall: In algebra course, Jacobian of a function $x = f(\theta)$ can be defined as, where $x \in R^m, \theta \in R^n$:

$$\mathrm{J}(\theta) \triangleq \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta}(\theta)\right] = \left[\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \theta_j}\right] \in R^{m \times n}$$

- Jacobian can relate the derivative of two variable together, if both x and θ is the function of another variable t

$$\dot{x} = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta}(\theta)\right]\frac{d\theta}{dt} = J(\theta)\dot{\theta}$$

Geometric Jacobian

Question: where will robot end-effector move given velocity of each joint?

- Velocity for a $SE(3)$ pose can be represented as twist ξ
- Geometric Jacobian $J(\theta)$:

$$\xi = \begin{bmatrix} \omega \\ v \end{bmatrix} = J(\theta)\dot{\theta}, \text{ where } J(\theta) \in R^{6\times n}, \text{ n is robot DoF}$$

- The i-th column of $J(\theta)$ is the twist when the robot is moving about the i-th joint at unit speed $\dot{\theta}_i = 1$ while all other joints stay static

Geometric Jacobian Calculation

Question: how to compute Geometric Jacobian?

- Using forward kinematics: $T_{sb}(\theta) = f(\theta)$
- General velocity: $[\xi_{sb}^{s}] = \dot{T}_{sb}T_{sb}^{-1}$, where $\dot{T}_{sb} = \frac{\partial T_{sb}}{\partial t} = g(\dot{\theta})$
- Compute each column of geometric Jacobian $J(\theta)$:

Let $\dot{\theta}_i = 1$ and $\dot{\theta}_j = 0$ for $j \neq i$

i-th column of $J(\theta)$ will be $\frac{\partial T_{sb}}{\partial \dot{\theta}} T_{sb}^{-1}$

Inverse Kinematics

Inverse Kinematics (IK):

- Given the forward kinematics $T(\theta)$ and the target pose $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{target}} \in SE(3)$, find solutions θ that satisfy $T(\theta) = T_{target}$

- **Analytical solution** of IK for robot with more than 3-DoF is very complex:
  - For a 6-DoF robot, you will need a several pages to write down the formula

- If you need analytical solution, just use libraries:
  - IKFast, IKBT

Numerical Solution of IK

Numerical IK, a root finding problem

- Inverse kinematics can be viewed as finding roots of a nonlinear equation with $SE(3)$ constrain

- Standard root-finding algorithm can be adapted for $T(\theta) \ = \xi^b$, e.g. Newton-Raphason method

- The gradient for this method is geometric Jacobian

$$J\left(\theta^i\right) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta}|_{\theta^i}, \Delta\theta^i = J^{+}(\theta^i)\Delta\xi,$$

where $\Delta\xi$ is the difference of pose in exponential coordinate

$$\theta^{i+1} = \theta + \Delta\theta^i$$

Kinematic Singularity

Question: is it possible to move end-effector to any direction $\hat{\xi}$ for a robot with $DoF \geq 6$

- The pseudo inverse $J^{+}(\theta)$ map link twist back to joint velocity

- Kinematic singularity:
  - A **robot configuration** where the robot's end-effector loses the ability to move in one direction instantaneously

- Mathematically, $J(\theta)$ rank deficiency leads to kinematic singularity

- Kinematic singularity does not mean that there exists a configuration that is not accessible

Topics

- Exponential Coordinate of SE(3)
- Rigid-Body Velocity
- Robot Kinematics
- **Case study: Hand-Eye Calibration**

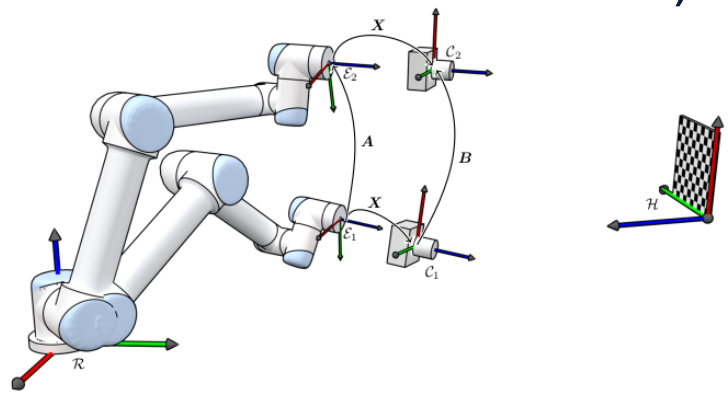
Vision-based Robotic Planning

- Visual perception comes from camera/lidar, the position and orientation is captured in sensor frame
  - E.g., point cloud in camera frame
- Moving signal is command in robot frame
  - E.g., move the robot hand left in robot base frame
- Hand-eye Calibration computes the transformation from camera to robot

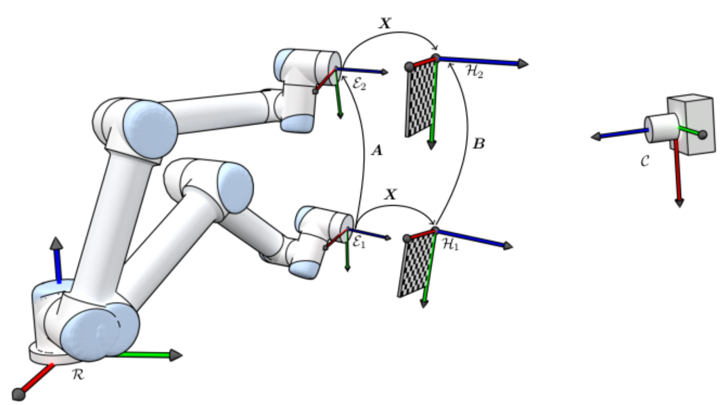
Settings of Hand-eye Calibration

- There are two kinds of problem for hand-eye calibration

- Eye-in-hand (camera mounted on hand):



- Eye-to-hand (camera not fixed with hand):



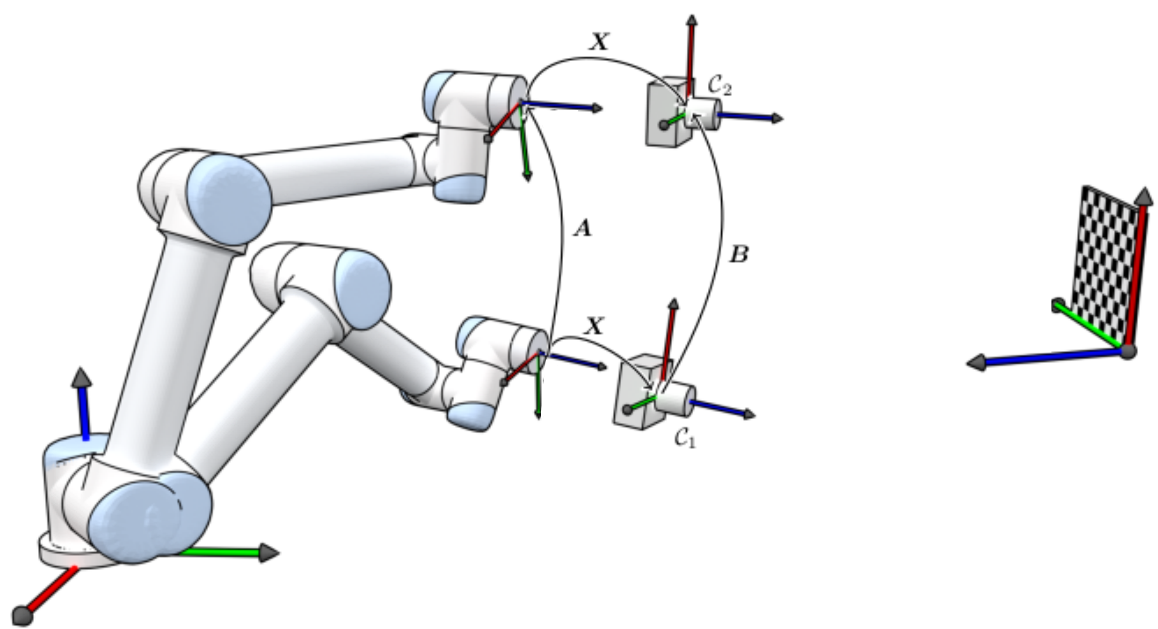
https://www.torsteinmyhre.name/snippets/robcam_calibration.html

Hand-Eye Transformation Equation

Take *eye-in-hand* (e.g. camera fixed to hand) as example

- Goal: transformation from camera to hand T_{hc}
- Denote: space frame (robot base) $\{s\}$, camera $\{c\}$,hand $\{h\}$, and marker (auxiliary object) $\{m\}$

$$T_{sh}T_{hc}T_{cm} = \mathrm{T}_{sm}$$



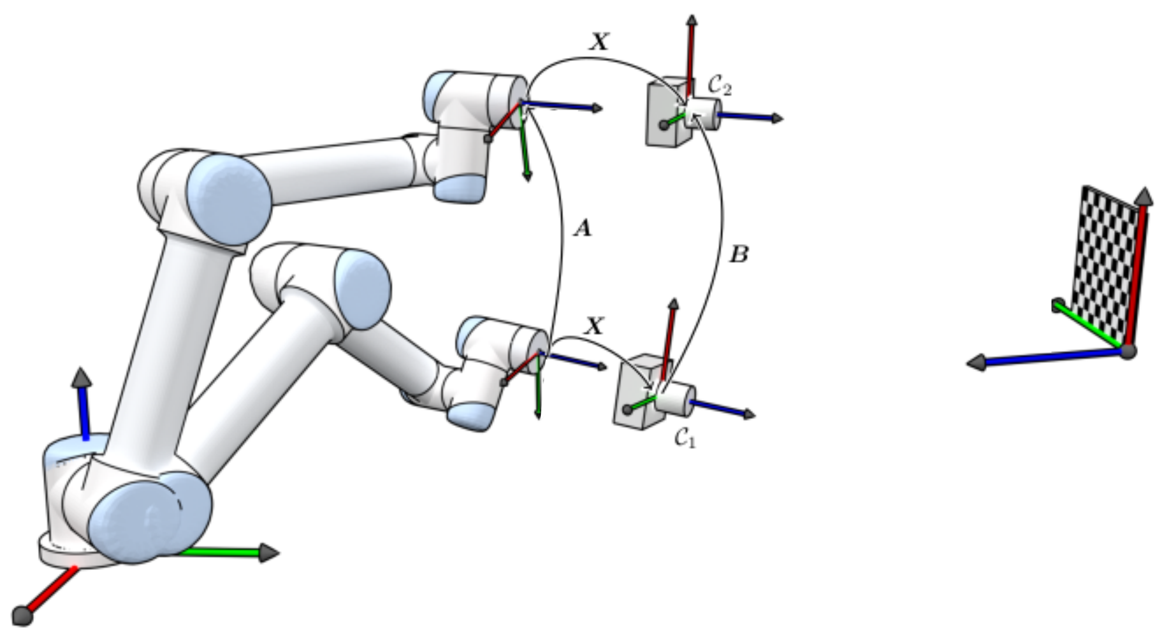
Hand-Eye Transformation Equation

Take *eye-in-hand* (e.g. camera fixed to hand) as example

- Assume we can get the pose of marker in camera frame

$$T_{sh} T_{hc} T_{cm} = \mathrm{T}_{sm}$$

T_{sh}	T_{hc}	T_{cm}	T_{sm}
Known Variant	What we want Constant	Assume known Variant	Unknown Constant



Capture Calibration Data

To solve the hand-eye transformation equation, we need to prepare multiple pairs of T_{sh} and T_{cm}

- Repeat the following steps for n-times:
  1. Move the robot hand to a target pose, where camera can see the marker
  2. Capture the T_{sh}^{i} for i-th pose of hand to base, often calculated by forward kinematics
  3. Capture the T_{cm}^{i} for i-th pose of marker to camera, calculated by a marker-specific algorithm

AX=XB for Hand-Eye Calibration

- The pose from marker to spatial frame T_{sm} is fixed

$$T_{sh}^{i}\, T_{hc}\, T_{cm}^{i} = \mathrm{T}_{sm} = T_{sh}^{i+1}\; T_{hc}\, T_{cm}^{i+1}$$

$$\left(T_{sh}^{i+1}\right)^{-1} T_{sh}^{i} T_{hc} = T_{hc}\; T_{cm}^{i+1} \left(T_{cm}^{i}\right)^{-1}$$

- Now we get a $AX = XB$ type function with constraints
  - $\mathrm{A} = \left(T_{sh}^{i+1}\right)^{-1} T_{sh}^{i}$ and $B = T_{cm}^{i+1} \left(T_{cm}^{i}\right)^{-1}$ are all known

- It is common to use multiple pairs of data for the equation. Actually, **at least three pairs** are necessary in order for a unique solution.

Horaud et al., “**Hand-eye Calibration**”, *IJRR 1995*

Solving AX=XB

Note that the $X \in SE(3)$, which is a constrain to this equation

- Two mainstream to solve this equation

    1. Determine first rotation and then translation[1]

    2. Determine rotation and translation simultaneously[2]

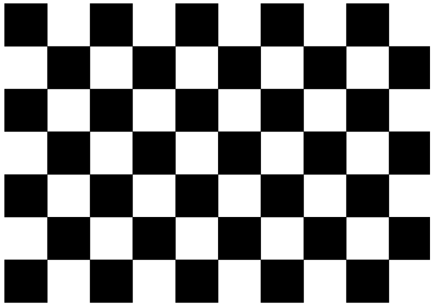
- To solve the equation more precisely:
    - Poses of hand are chosen follow some **solver-specific guidelines**
    - More data

Tsai et al., "**A new technique for fully autonomous and efficient 3 D robotics hand/eye calibration**", *TRO 1989*

Daniilidis, "**Hand-Eye Calibration Using Dual Quaternions**", *IJRR 1999*

Markers for Hand-eye Calibration

- Checkerboard is a most common visual marker in robotics:
  - Checkerboard pose can be easily solved using standard method like PnP



- As long as we have method to estimate its pose, anything can be a marker