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SETTING COORDINATE FRAMES

1.1 Topic

Set coordinate frames for the first four links (link 1, link 2, link 3).

1.2 Theory

Based on "DENAVIT-HARTENBERG NOTATION" (Lecture 4: Forward Kinematics [1]): Local frame B_i to each link (i) at joint i + 1 is defined as:

- The z_i axis is aligned with the i+1 joint axis.
- The x_i axis is defined along the common normal between the $z_i 1$ and z_i axes, pointing from the $z_i 1$ to the z_i axis.
- The y_i axis is defined by the right-hand rule.
- The origin o_i of the *i* frame is located at the intersection of the joint axis i+1 with the common normal between the z_i-1 and z_i axes.



1.3 Application

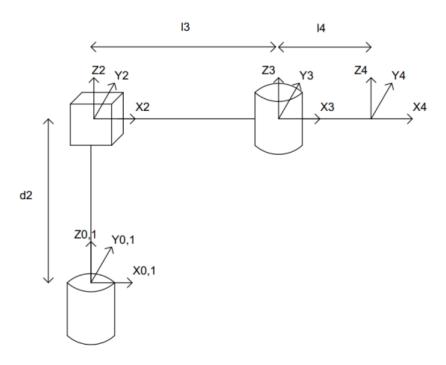


Figure 1.1: Setting coordinate frames for robot

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DETERMINING D-H PARAMETERS

2.1 Topic

Determine the Denavit-Hartenberg parameters for the robot model.

2.2 Theory

The Denavit-Hartenberg notation is introduced as a systematic method of describing the kinematic relationship $^{i-1}T_i$ using only four parameters [1]:

α	Link twist	Describe the link itself				
a Link length						
d	Link offset	Describe the link's connection to neighboring link				
θ	Joint angle					
If the joint is:						
Revolute: θ joint variable The other three are fixed link parameters						
Pr	Prismatic: d joint variable					

2.3 Application

We got the D-H table:

i	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	0	0	0	θ_1
2	0	0	d_2	0
3	ℓ_3	0	0	0
4	ℓ_4	0	0	θ_4

Limitations of the D-H notation:

 $\ell_3 = 1000\,\mathrm{mm}$

 $\ell_4 = 300 \,\mathrm{mm}$ $d_2 \in [2150; 2750]$

 $\theta_1 \in [0^\circ; 360^\circ]$

 $\theta_4 \in [-90^\circ; 90^\circ]$

KINEMATIC PROBLEM

3.1 Topic

Formulate the forward kinematic problem. Then determine the coordinates of the endpoint according to the three joint variables. Make a plot for a certain case.

3.2 Theory

The transformation matrix $i^{-1}T$ to transform coordinate frames B_i to B_i-1 is represented as a product of four basic transformations using parameters of link (i) and joint i

$$\frac{1}{i}T = \begin{bmatrix}
\cos(\theta_i) & -\sin(\theta_i)\cos(\alpha_i) & \sin(\theta_i)\sin(\alpha_i) & a_i\cos(\theta_i) \\
\sin(\theta_i) & \cos(\theta_i)\cos(\alpha_i) & -\cos(\theta_i)\sin(\alpha_i) & a_i\sin(\theta_i) \\
0 & \sin(\alpha_i) & \cos(\alpha_i) & d_i \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}$$
(3.1)

To find the single transformation that relates frame $\{i\}$ to frame $\{0\}$, the transformation matrices of every link are then multiplied together:

$${}_{i}^{0}T = {}_{1}^{0} T {}_{2}^{1}T \dots {}_{i}^{i-1}T \tag{3.2}$$

This transformation ${}_{i}^{0}T$ is a function of all i joint variables. If the robot's joint-position sensors are queried, the Cartesian position and orientation of the end effector could be computed by ${}_{i}^{0}T$.

3.3 Application

We have:

$${}^{0}T_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_{1} & -\sin \theta_{1} & 0 & 0\\ \sin \theta_{1} & \cos \theta_{1} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3.3)$$

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$${}^{1}T_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3.4)$$

$${}^{2}T_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \ell_{3} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3.5)$$

$${}^{3}T_{4} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta_{4} & -\sin\theta_{4} & 0 & \ell_{4} \cdot \cos\theta_{4} \\ \sin\theta_{4} & \cos\theta_{4} & 0 & \ell_{4} \cdot \sin\theta_{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.6)

Thus

$${}^{0}T_{4} = {}^{0}T_{1}.{}^{1}T_{2}.{}^{2}T_{3}.{}^{3}T_{4} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) & -\sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) & 0 & \ell_{4}.\cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) + \ell_{3}.\cos\theta_{1} \\ \sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) & \cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) & 0 & \ell_{4}.\sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) + \ell_{3}.\sin\theta_{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

In conclusion, we have the solution for the forward kinematic problem as below

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \cos\theta_1 \\ \ell_4 \cdot \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \sin\theta_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.7)

Make a plot for a certain case:

During the time t from 0s to 10s, the input $(\theta_1, d_2, \theta_4)$ gradually increases from $(0^{\circ}, 2200, 0^{\circ})$ to $(90^{\circ}, 2700, 90^{\circ})$. Using MATLAB, the position (x, y, z) of the end-effector can be plotted as below:

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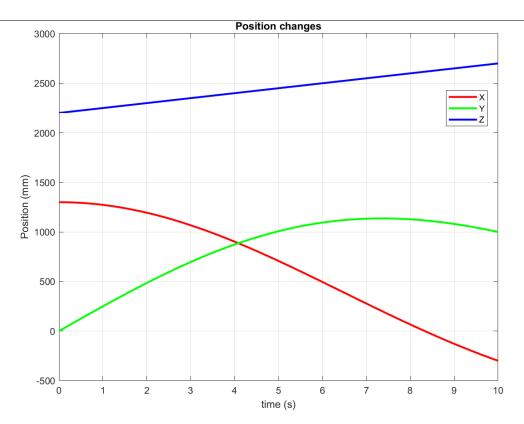


Figure 3.1: The position of the end-effector (x, y, z) with respect to time

Solution check:

- At time t = 0 s, the end-effector is at position (x, y, z) = (1300, 0, 2200) mm. Correct!
- At time t=10 s, the end-effector is at position (x,y,z)=(-300,1000,2700) mm. Correct!

So we can confirm the accurate of the solution.

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INVERSE KINEMATIC PROBLEM

4.1 Topic

Formulate the inverse kinematic problem. Then determine the three joint values according to the coordinates of the end-point. Make a plot for a certain case.

4.2 Theory

Inverse kinematics is the mathematical process of calculating the variable joint parameters needed to place the end of a kinematic chain which is, in this project, the position of the end effector of a robot arm [1].

4.3 Application

We have the forward kinematic equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \cos\theta_1 \\ \ell_4 \cdot \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \sin\theta_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The position of the end-effector (X,Y,Z) can be extracted from the matrix as below:

$$x = \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \cos \theta_1 \tag{4.1}$$

$$y = \ell_4 \cdot \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \sin \theta_1 \tag{4.2}$$

$$z = d_2 \tag{4.3}$$

(4.4)

From (2.1) and (2.2) we have

$$x^{2} + y^{2} = \ell_{4}^{2} + \ell_{3}^{2} + 2\ell_{3} \cdot \ell_{4} \left[\cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) \cdot \cos \theta_{1} + \sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) \cdot \sin \theta_{1} \right]$$

$$= \ell_{4}^{2} + \ell_{3}^{2} + 2\ell_{3} \cdot \ell_{4} \cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4} - \theta_{1})$$

$$= \ell_{4}^{2} + \ell_{3}^{2} + 2\ell_{3} \cdot \ell_{4} \cos(\theta_{4})$$

Set

$$a = \cos(\theta_4) = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - \ell_4^2 - \ell_3^2}{2\ell_3 \cdot \ell_4}$$

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Thus

$$\theta_4 = \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm\sqrt{1-a^2}, a\right)$$

The x and y components can be expressed as:

$$x\cos\theta_1 + y\sin\theta_1 = \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4)\cos\theta_1 + \ell_4 \cdot \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \cdot \sin\theta_1 + \ell_3$$
$$= \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_4) + \ell_3$$

We can rewrite

$$x \cos \theta_1 + y \sin \theta_1 = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \cos \theta_1 + \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \sin \theta_1 \right)$$

Set

$$\cos \phi = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$
$$\sin \phi = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$
$$\phi = \operatorname{atan2}(y, x)$$

Thus we have

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \left(\cos \phi \cdot \cos \theta_1 + \sin \phi \cdot \sin \theta_1\right) = \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_4) + \ell_3$$

Infer the following:

$$\cos(\theta_{1} - \phi) = \frac{\ell_{4} \cdot a + \ell_{3}}{\sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2}}}$$

$$\sin(\theta_{1} - \phi) = \pm \frac{\sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2} - (\ell_{4} \cdot a + \ell_{3})^{2}}}{\sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_{1} - \phi = \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm \sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2} - (\ell_{4} \cdot a + \ell_{3})^{2}}, \ell_{4} \cdot a + \ell_{3}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_{1} = \phi + \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm \sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2} - (\ell_{4} \cdot a + \ell_{3})^{2}}, \ell_{4} \cdot a + \ell_{3}\right)$$

$$= \operatorname{atan2}(y, x) + \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm \sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2} - (\ell_{4} \cdot \cos(\theta_{4}) + \ell_{3})^{2}}, \ell_{4} \cdot \cos(\theta_{4}) + \ell_{3}\right)$$

Conclusion, we have the following solution for the inverse kinematic problem:

$$\begin{cases} \theta_1 = \operatorname{atan2}(y, x) + \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - (\ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_4) + \ell_3)^2}, \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_4) + \ell_3\right) \\ d_2 = z \\ \theta_4 = \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm\sqrt{1 - a^2}, a\right) \end{cases}$$

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or can rewrite as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ d_2 \\ \theta_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{atan2}(y, x) + \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - (\ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_4) + \ell_3)^2}, \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_4) + \ell_3\right) \\ Z \\ \operatorname{atan2}\left(\pm\sqrt{1 - a^2}, a\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

with

$$a = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - \ell_4^2 - \ell_3^2}{2\ell_3 \cdot \ell_4}$$

Solution check:

As forward kinematic solution, with the input $(\theta_1, d_2, \theta_4) = (0^\circ, 2200, 0^\circ)$, the position of the end-effector is (x, y, z) = (1300, 0, 2200).

Using (x, y, z) = (1300, 0, 2200) as an input to inverse function, we got $(\theta_1, d_2, \theta_4) = (0^{\circ}, 2200, 0^{\circ})$.

Similarly, using (x, y, z) = (-300, 1000, 2700) as an input to inverse function, we got $(\theta_1, d_2, \theta_4) = (90^{\circ}, 2700, 90^{\circ})$. Correct.

So we can confirm the accurate of the solution.

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WORKSPACE

5.1 Topic

Give a comment on the workspace.

5.2 Theory

Existing of any solution raises the question of the manipulator's workspace, which is the volume of space that the end-effector of the manipulator can reach.

5.3 Application

We have:

$$\begin{cases} x = \ell_4 \cdot \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \cos \theta_1 \\ y = \ell_4 \cdot \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cdot \sin \theta_1 \\ z = d_2 \end{cases}$$

With:

- $\ell_3 = 1000 \, \text{mm}$
- $\ell_4 = 300 \, \text{mm}$
- $d_2 \in [2150; 2750]$
- $\theta_1 \in [0^\circ; 360^\circ]$
- $\theta_4 \in [-90^\circ; 90^\circ]$

Next:

$$x^{2} + y^{2} = \ell_{4}^{2} + \ell_{3}^{2} + 2\ell_{3}\ell_{4}\cos(\theta_{4})$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \cos(\theta_{4}) = \frac{x^{2} + y^{2} - \ell_{4}^{2} - \ell_{3}^{2}}{2\ell_{3}\ell_{4}}$$

We also have:

$$0 \le \cos(\theta_4) \le 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \le x^2 + y^2 \le (\ell_4 + \ell_3)^2$$



$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 \le x^2 + y^2 \le 1690000 \\ d_2 \in [2150; 2750] \\ \theta_1 \in [0^\circ; 360^\circ] \\ \theta_4 \in [-90^\circ; 90^\circ] \end{cases}$$

To simplify matters, we remove the mechanical constraint, the joints can be fully rotated. Therefore, our workspace is idealized.

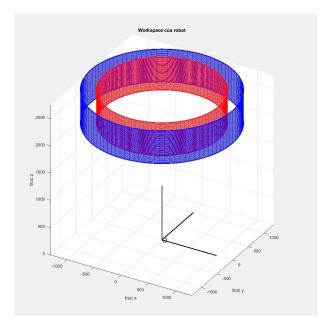


Figure 5.1: Workspace of the robot

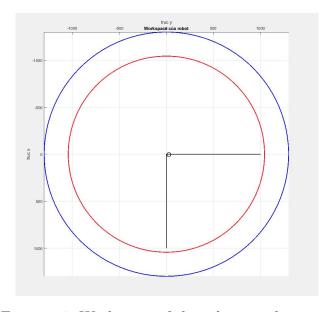


Figure 5.2: Workspace of the robot another view

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JACOBIAN MATRIX

6.1 Topic

Formulate the Jacobian matrix for this robot. Is there any singularity?

6.2 Theory

The Jacobian is a multidimensional form of the derivative. The 6 x 6 matrix of partial derivatives is the Jacobian J, as mapping velocities in X to those in Y.

In the field of robotics, Jacobians are used to relate joint velocities to Cartesian velocities of the tip of the arm.

$${}^{0}\mathbf{V} = {}^{0}J(\theta)\,\dot{\theta}$$

All manipulators have singularities at:

- The boundary of their workspace.
- Most have loci of singularities inside their workspace.

6.3 Application

Vector of joint variables:

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 & d_2 & \theta_4 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Position-orientation state vector **X**:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} p_x & p_y & d_2 & 0 & 0 & \theta_1 + \theta_4 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \ell_4 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cos \theta_1 & \ell_4 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \sin \theta_1 & d_2 & 0 & 0 & \theta_1 + \theta_4 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

The Jacobian matrix J is the partial derivative of the position vector \mathbf{X} with respect to the joint variable vector \mathbf{q} :



$$J = \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial d_2} & \frac{\partial p_x}{\partial \theta_4} \\ \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial d_2} & \frac{\partial p_y}{\partial \theta_4} \\ \frac{\partial d_2}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial d_2}{\partial d_2} & \frac{\partial d_2}{\partial \theta_4} \\ \frac{\partial d_2}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial d_2}{\partial d_2} & \frac{\partial d_2}{\partial \theta_4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\partial (\theta_1 + \theta_4)}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial (\theta_1 + \theta_4)}{\partial d_2} & \frac{\partial (\theta_1 + \theta_4)}{\partial \theta_4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\ell_4 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) - \ell_3 \sin \theta_1 & 0 & -\ell_4 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \\ \ell_4 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cos \theta_1 & 0 & \ell_4 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ Control matrix } \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} -\ell_4 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) - \ell_3 \sin \theta_1 & 0 & -\ell_4 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \\ \ell_4 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) + \ell_3 \cos \theta_1 & 0 & \ell_4 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Case of Jacobian Singularity

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -l_4 \sin(\theta_0 + \theta_4) & -l_3 \sin \theta_1 & 0 & -l_4 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \\ l_4 \cos(\theta_0 + \theta_4) + l_3 \cos \theta_1 & 0 & 0 & l_4 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_4) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(J_{a}) = a_{11} \cdot (a_{22} \cdot a_{33} - a_{23} \cdot a_{32}) - a_{12} \cdot (a_{21} \cdot a_{33} - a_{23} \cdot a_{31}) + a_{13} \cdot (a_{21} \cdot a_{32} - a_{22} \cdot a_{31})$$

$$= [-l_{4} \sin(\theta_{0} + \theta_{4}) - l_{3} \sin \theta_{1}][l_{4} \cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4})] + [-l_{4} \sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4})][l_{4} \cos(\theta_{0} + \theta_{4}) + l_{3} \cos \theta_{1}]$$

$$-l_{4}^{2} \sin(\theta_{0} + \theta_{4}) \cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) + l_{3} \sin \theta_{1} l_{4} \cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) - l_{4}^{2} \sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) \cos(\theta_{0} + \theta_{4})$$

$$-l_{3} l_{4} \sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) \cos \theta_{1}$$

$$= l_{3} l_{4} [\sin \theta_{1} \cdot \cos(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) - l_{4} l_{3} \sin(\theta_{1} + \theta_{4}) \cdot \cos \theta_{1}]$$

$$= -l_3 \cdot l_4 \cdot \sin(-\theta_4)$$

$$\det(J_a) = 0 \iff -l_4 \cdot l_3 \cdot \sin(-\theta_4) = 0$$

$$\iff -l_3 \cdot l_4 \cdot \sin(\theta_4) = 0$$

$$\iff \theta_4 = k\pi(k \in \mathbb{Z}); \theta_4 \in [-90^\circ, 90^\circ]$$

 \Rightarrow The point is within the range where $\theta_4 = 0$

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SIMULATING THE MOTION OF ROBOT

7.1 Topic

Simulate the motion of this robot to plot initial letters from the first names of your team members on a certain plane that is perpendicular to axis z_0 .

7.2 Theory

Simulate robot in simscape $(\theta_1, d_2, \theta_4)$ change from (0, 2200, 0) to $(90^{\circ}, 2700, 90^{\circ})$.

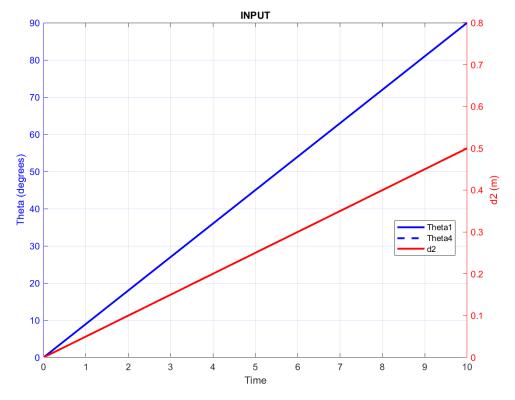


Figure 7.1: Simulation of the robot

Apply to forward, get position of end-effector (x, y, z) with respect to time t

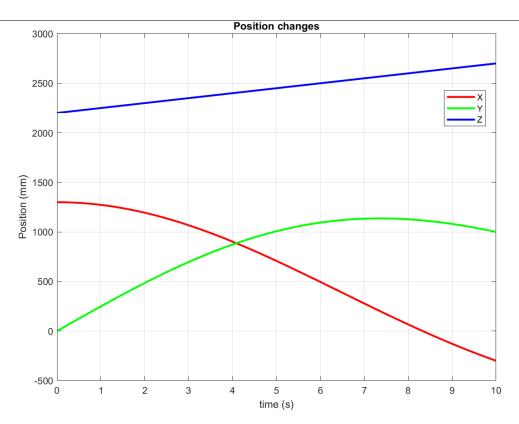


Figure 7.2: Simulation of the robot

7.3 Application

Modeling robot by Solidworks then convert to step file, this is suitable for Simscape Multibody Link.

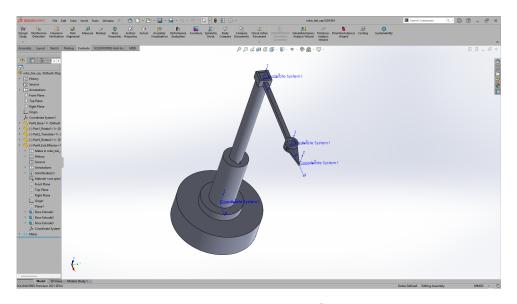


Figure 7.3: Robot model in Solidworks

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Model in Simscape Multibody Link

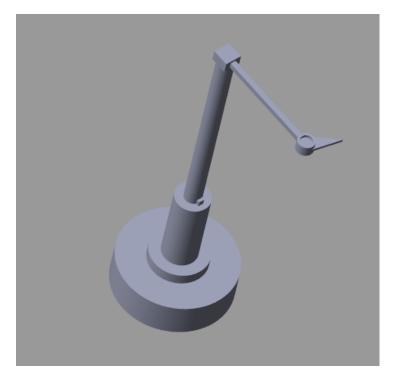


Figure 7.4: Robot model in Simscape Multibody Link

Block diagrams of Matlab Simulink is as the follow:

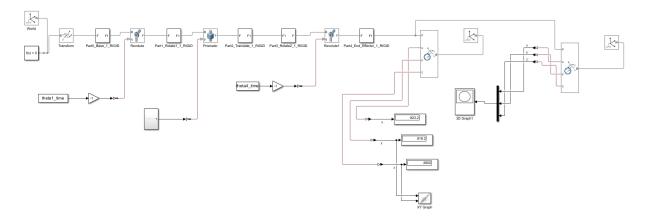


Figure 7.5: Block diagram of Matlab Simulink

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Results of simulation:

Position (x, y, z) of robot from transform sensor

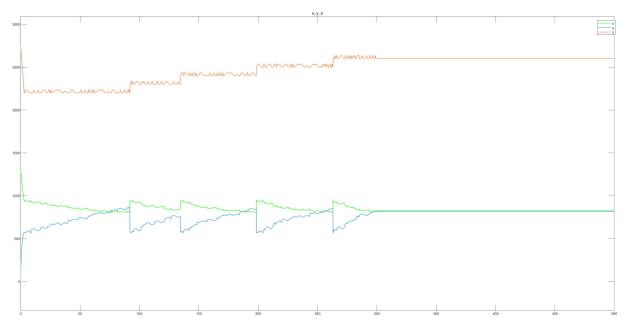


Figure 7.6: Position of robot

Result on YZ plane

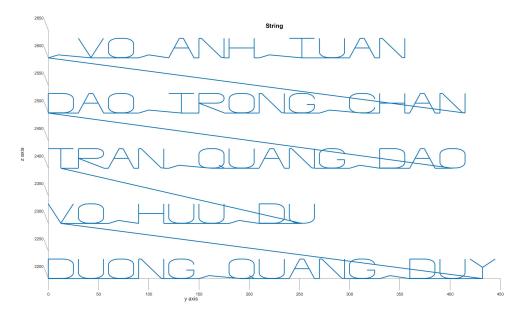


Figure 7.7: Result on YZ plane

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