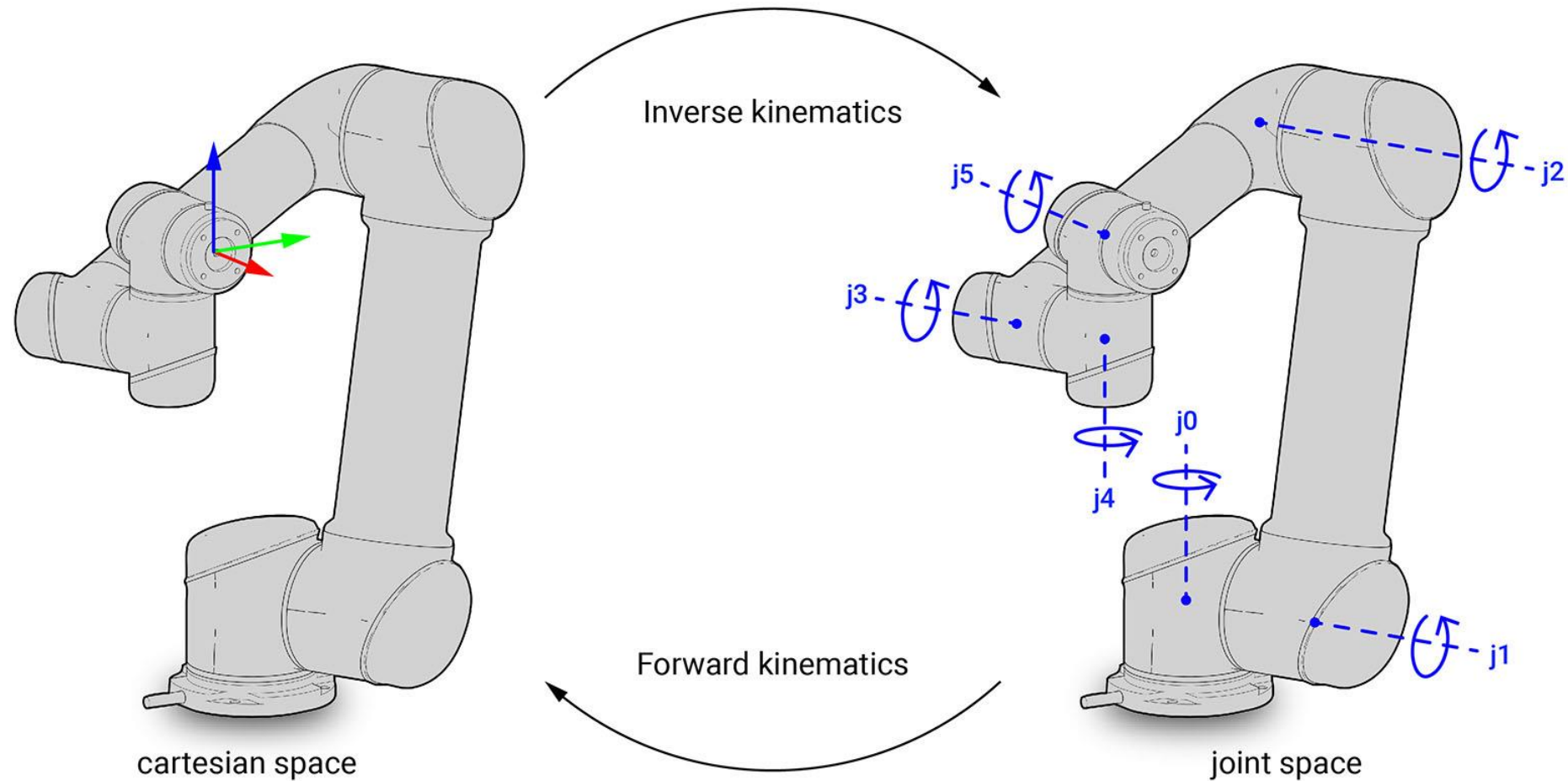


Chapter 5. Forward Kinematics

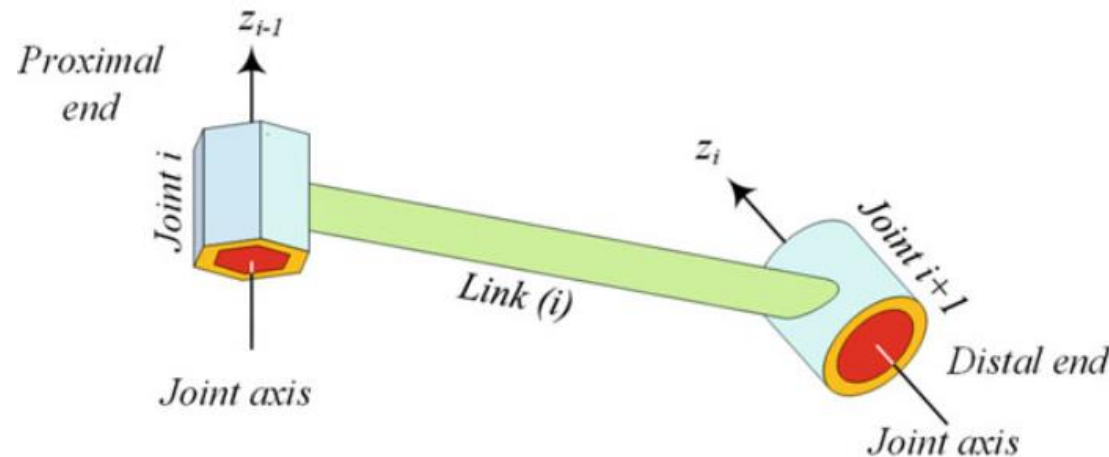
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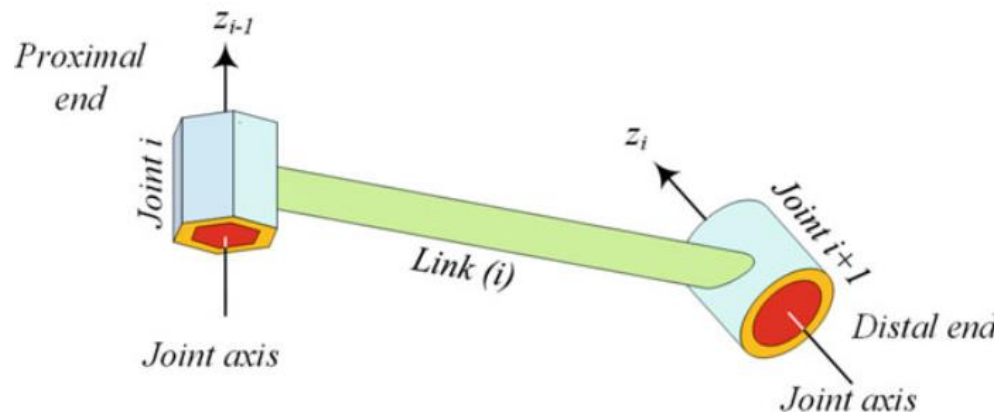
Forward and inverse kinematics

- **Forward kinematics** means having the **joint variables** of a robot, we are able to determine the **position and orientation** of every link of the robot, including the **end-effector**.
- The **analysis of determination** of position and orientation of all **links** of a robot relative to each other is called **forward kinematics**.



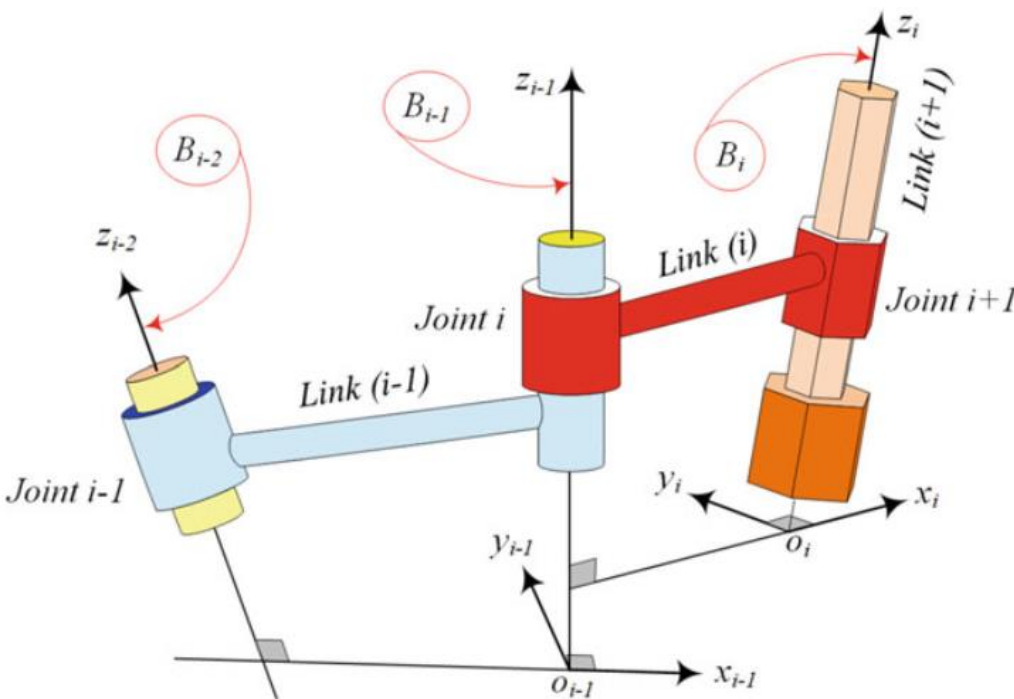
5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

- A serial robot with n joints will have $n + 1$ links.
- Numbering of links starts from **link (0)** for the immobile **grounded base link** and increases sequentially **up to link (n) for the end-effector**.
- Numbering of **joints starts from 1**, and increases sequentially up to **joint n**.
- The link (i) is connected to its lower link ($i - 1$) at its proximal end by joint i and is connected to its upper link ($i + 1$) at its distal end by joint $i + 1$.



5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

- Figure illustrates **links** $(i - 1)$, (i) , and $(i + 1)$ of a serial robot, along with **joints** $i - 1$, i , and $i + 1$.
- Numbering of links starts from **link (0)** for the immobile **grounded base link** and increases sequentially **up to link (n)** for the **end-effector**. Every joint is indicated by a joint axis, which will be either translational or rotational.



- We rigidly attach a local coordinate frame B_i to every link (i) at joint $i + 1$ based on the following standard method, known as **Denavit–Hartenberg (DH) method**.

5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

Denavit–Hartenberg (DH) principles

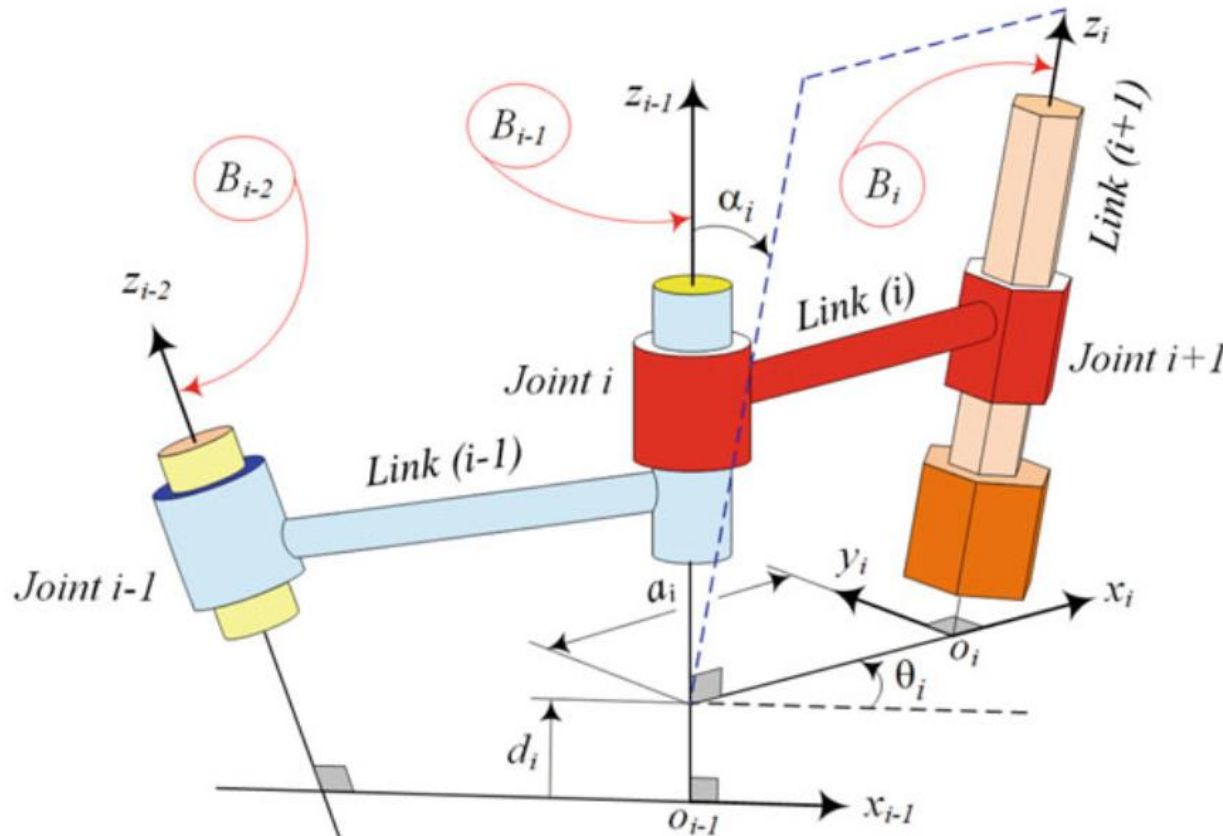
- The z_i -axis is aligned with the $i + 1$ joint axis.
- The x_i -axis is defined along **the common normal** between *the z_{i-1} and z_i axes*, pointing from the z_{i-1} to the z_i -axis.
- The y_i -axis is determined by the right-hand rule, $y_i = z_i \times x_i$.

⇒ By applying the **DH method**, the origin o_i of the frame $\mathbf{B}_i (o_i, x_i, y_i, z_i)$, **attached to the link (i)**, is placed at the intersection of the joint axis $i + 1$ with the common normal between the z_{i-1} and z_i axes.

5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

Denavit–Hartenberg (DH) principles

- A DH coordinate frame is identified by four parameters: a_i , α_i , θ_i , and d_i .



5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

Denavit–Hartenberg's (DH) rules

- Link length a_i** is the distance between z_{i-1} and x_i axes along the x_i -axis. a_i is the kinematic length of the link (i). \Rightarrow **a_i is along the x_i -axis, from z_{i-1} to x_i axes.**
- Link twist α_i (alpha)** is the required rotation of the z_{i-1} -axis about the x_i -axis to become parallel to the z_i -axis. \Rightarrow **α_i is about the x_i -axis, from z_{i-1} to z_i axes.**
- Joint distance d_i** is the distance between x_{i-1} and x_i axes along the z_{i-1} -axis. Joint distance is also called link offset. \Rightarrow **d_i is along the z_{i-1} -axis, from x_{i-1} to x_i axes.**
- Joint angle θ_i** is the required rotation of x_{i-1} -axis about the z_{i-1} -axis to become parallel to the x_i -axis. \Rightarrow **θ_i is about the z_{i-1} -axis, from x_{i-1} to x_i axes.**

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Denavit–Hartenberg's (DH) rules

- The parameters θ_i and d_i are called **joint parameters**, defining the relative position of two adjacent links connected at joint i .
 - \Rightarrow For a **revolute joint (R)** at joint i , the θ_i is the unique joint variable, and the value of d_i is fixed.
 - \Rightarrow For a **prismatic joint (P)**, the d_i is the only joint variable, while the value of θ_i is fixed.
- The joint parameters θ_i and d_i define a **screw motion** because θ_i is a rotation about the z_{i-1} -axis and d_i is a translation along the z_{i-1} -axis.

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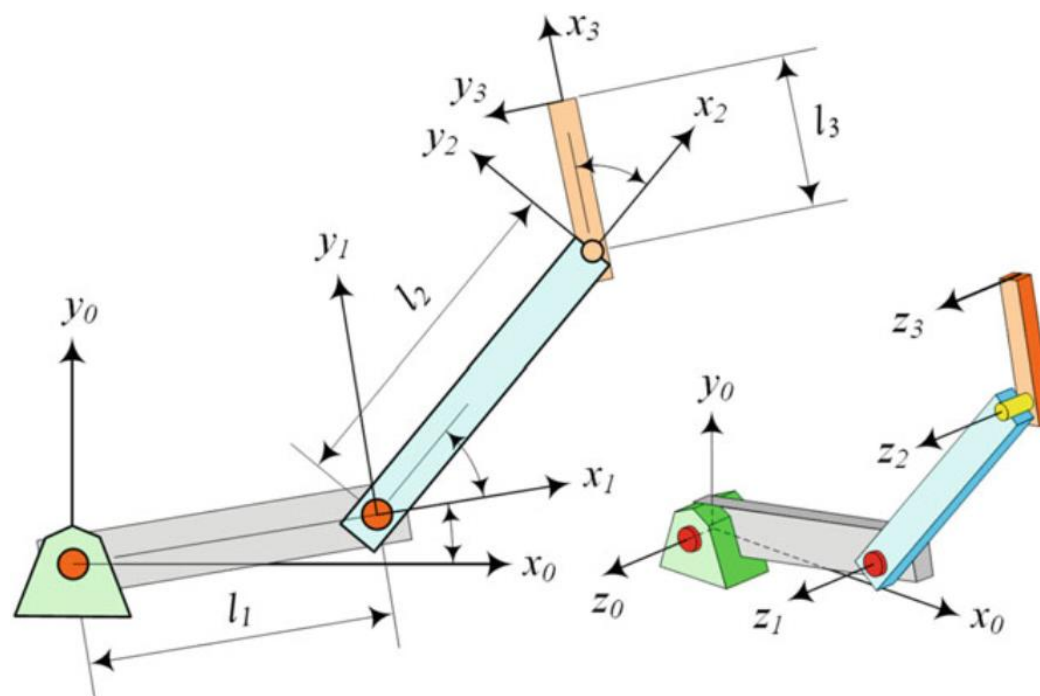
Denavit–Hartenberg's (DH) rules

- The parameters α_i and a_i are called **link parameters**, because they define relative positions of joints i and $i + 1$ at two ends of link (i).
- The link twist α_i is the angle of rotation z_{i-1} -axis about x_i to become parallel with the z_i -axis.
- The other link kinematic length parameter, a_i , is the translation along the x_i -axis to bring the z_{i-1} -axis on the z_i -axis.
- The link parameters α_i and a_i define a **screw motion** because α_i is a rotation about the x_i -axis and a_i is a translation along the x_i -axis.

5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

Example 1: DH table and coordinate frames for 3R planar manipulator.

An R||R||R manipulator is a planar robot with three parallel revolute joints. Figure illustrates a 3R planar manipulator robot.



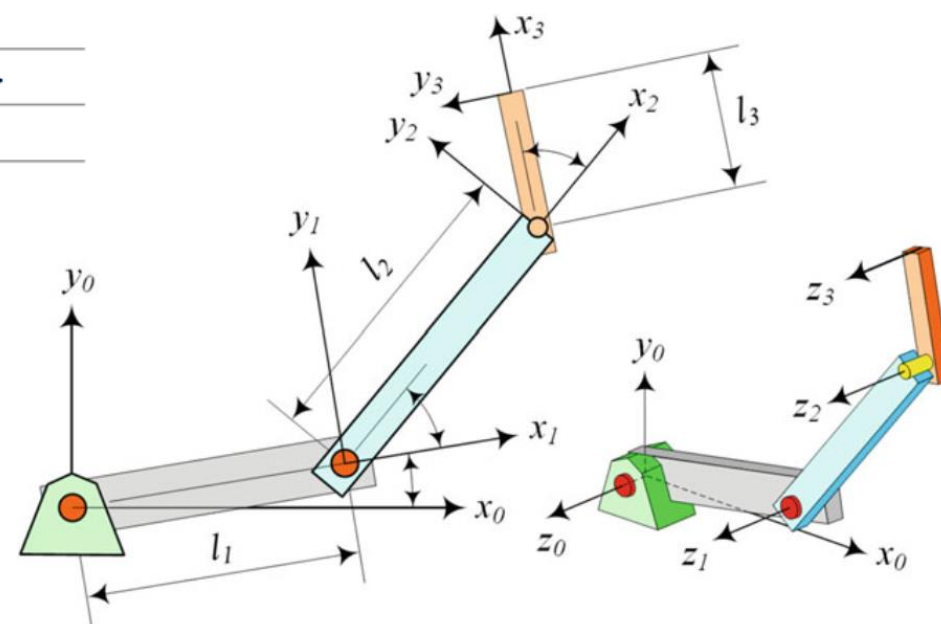
5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

Example 1: DH table and coordinate frames for 3R planar manipulator.

The DH table can be filled

Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	a_1	α_1	d_1	θ_1
2	a_2	α_2	d_2	θ_2
.....
j	a_j	α_j	d_j	θ_j
.....
n	a_n	α_n	d_n	θ_n

Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	l_1	0	0	θ_1
2	l_2	0	0	θ_2
3	l_3	0	0	θ_3

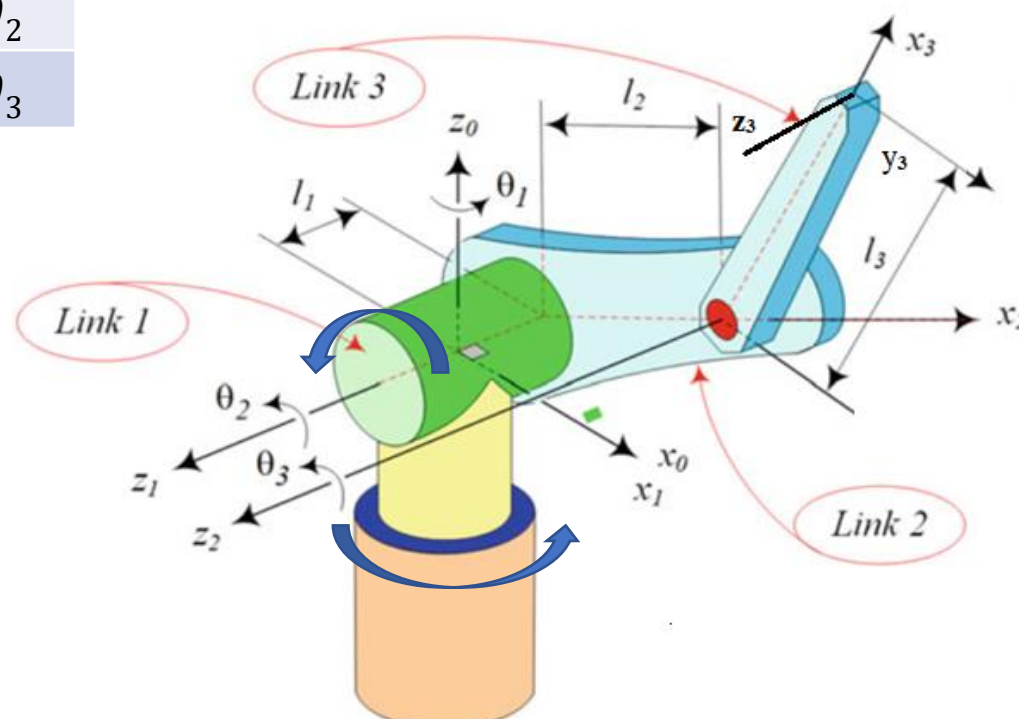


5.1. Denavit–Hartenberg Notation

Example 2: Coordinate frames for a 3R PUMA robot.

It has **R**–**R**||**R** main structure.

Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	0	90deg	0	θ_1
2	l_2	0	$-l_1$	θ_2
3	l_3	0	0	θ_3

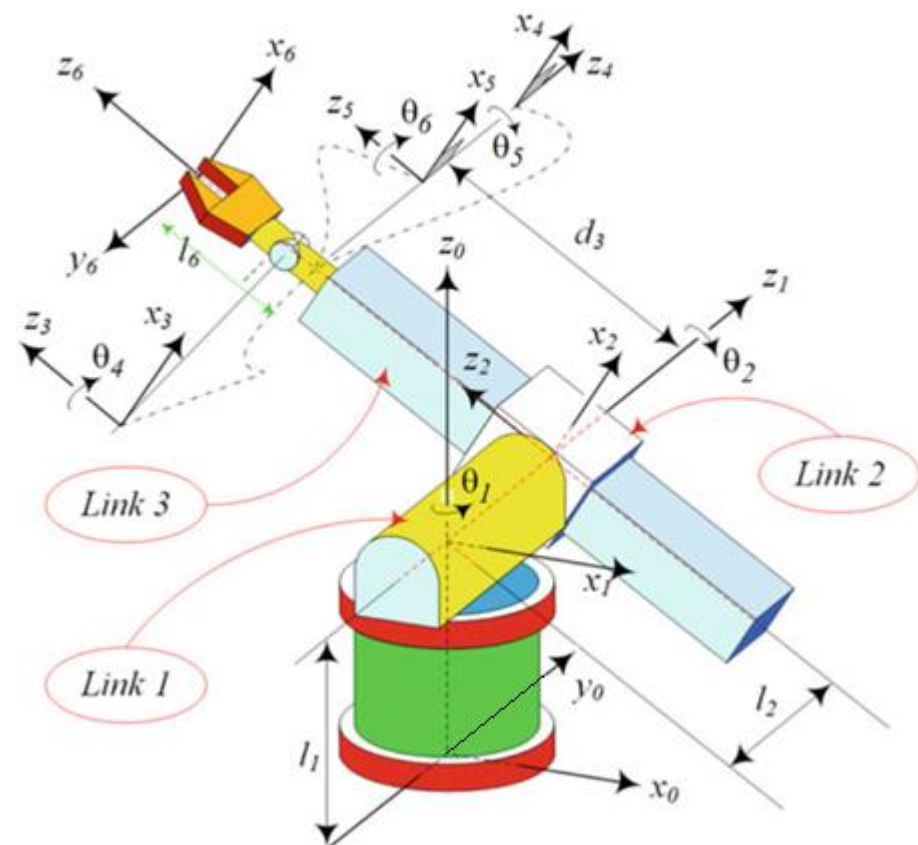


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Example 3: Stanford arm.

A schematic illustration of the Stanford arm is a spherical robot

$R \vdash R \vdash P$ attached to a spherical wrist $R \vdash R \vdash R$.



Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	0	-90°	l_1	θ_1
2	0	90°	l_2	θ_2
3	0	0	d_3	0

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

- The coordinate frame B_i is fixed to the link (i) and the coordinate frame B_{i-1} is fixed to the link ($i - 1$).
- The following prescribed set of **two rotations** and **two translations** is also a straightforward method to move the frame B_{i-1} to coincide with the frame B_i . This is a method to make a **transformation matrix** ${}^i T_{i-1}$:
 1. **Translate** frame B_{i-1} along the z_{i-1} -axis by distance d_i .
 2. **Rotate** frame B_{i-1} through θ_i around the z_{i-1} -axis.
 3. **Translate** frame B_{i-1} along the x_i -axis by distance a_i .
 4. **Rotate** frame B_{i-1} through α_i about the x_i -axis.

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

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

$${}^{i-1}T_i = D_{z_{i-1}, d_i} R_{z_{i-1}, \theta_i} D_{x_{i-1}, a_i} R_{x_{i-1}, \alpha_i}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_i & -\sin \theta_i & \cos \alpha_i & \sin \theta_i & \sin \alpha_i & a_i \cos \theta_i \\ \sin \theta_i & \cos \theta_i & \cos \alpha_i & -\cos \theta_i & \sin \alpha_i & a_i \sin \theta_i \\ 0 & 0 & \sin \alpha_i & 0 & \cos \alpha_i & d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{x_{i-1}, \alpha_i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \alpha_i & -\sin \alpha_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \alpha_i & \cos \alpha_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad D_{x_{i-1}, a_i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a_i \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

$$R_{z_{i-1}, \theta_i} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_i & -\sin \theta_i & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_i & \cos \theta_i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad D_{z_{i-1}, d_i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Therefore, the transformation equation from coordinate frame $B_i(x_i, y_i, z_i)$, to its previous coordinate frame $B_{i-1}(x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}, z_{i-1})$, is

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{i-1} \\ y_{i-1} \\ z_{i-1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}^{i-1}T_i \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \\ z_i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

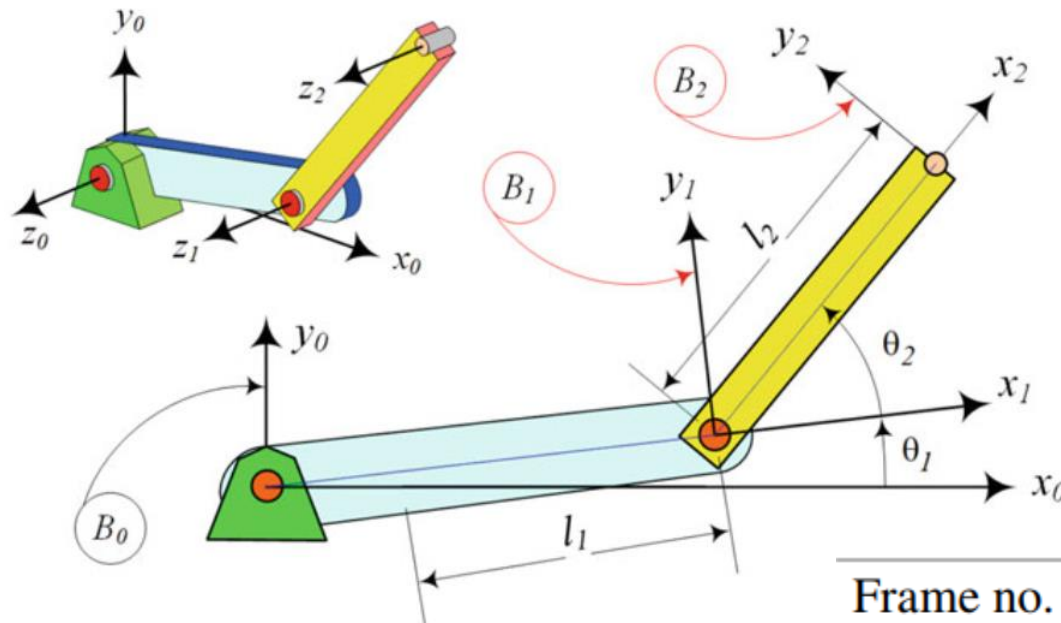
- The inverse of the homogenous transformation matrix is

$$\begin{aligned} {}^i T_{i-1} &= {}^{i-1} T_i^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_i & \sin \theta_i & 0 & -a_i \\ -\sin \theta_i \cos \alpha_i & \cos \theta_i \cos \alpha_i & \sin \alpha_i & -d_i \sin \alpha_i \\ \sin \theta_i \sin \alpha_i & -\cos \theta_i \sin \alpha_i & \cos \alpha_i & -d_i \cos \alpha_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

Example 4: DH transformation matrices for a 2R planar manipulator.

Figure illustrates an R||R planar manipulator and its DH link coordinate frames.

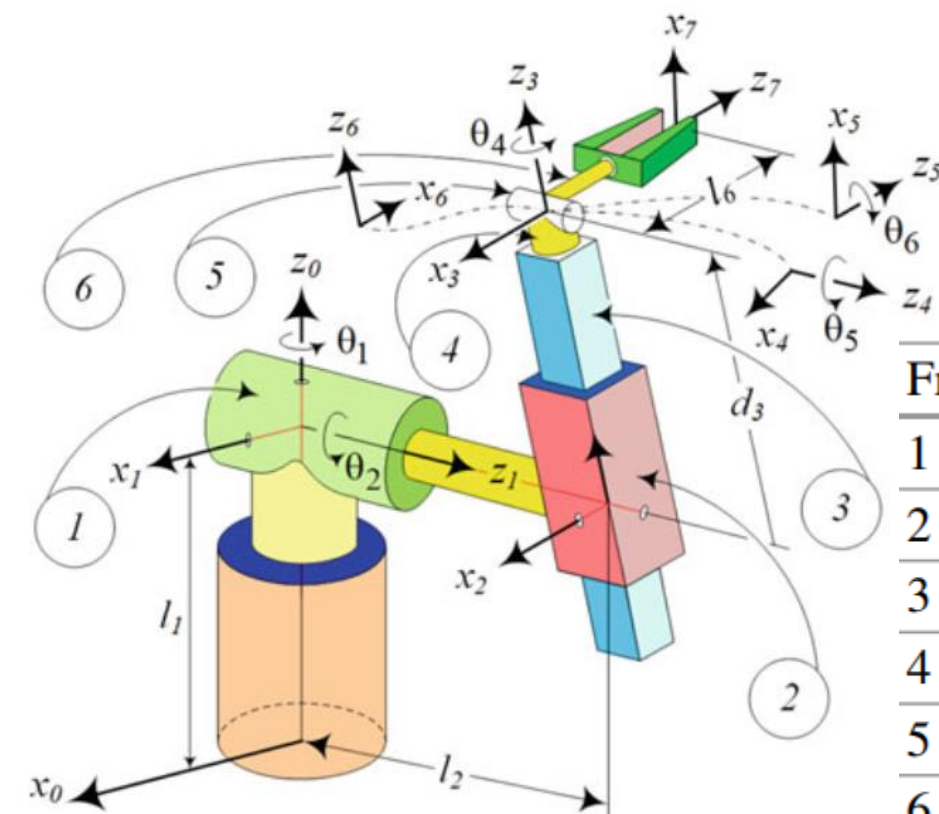


Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	l_1	0	0	θ_1
2	l_2	0	0	θ_2

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

Example 5: DH application for spherical robot. !?

Figure illustrates a spherical manipulator equipped with a spherical wrist. A spherical manipulator is an R-R-P arm.



Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	0	-90 deg	l_1	θ_1
2	0	90 deg	l_2	θ_2
3	0	0	d_3	0
4	0	-90 deg	0	θ_4
5	0	90 deg	0	θ_5
6	0	0	0	θ_6

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

Example 5: DH application for spherical robot. !?

The homogenous transformation matrices are

$${}^0T_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & 0 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_1 & 0 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & l_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^1T_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & 0 & \sin \theta_2 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_2 & 0 & -\cos \theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & l_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^2T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^3T_4 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_4 & 0 & -\sin \theta_4 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_4 & 0 & \cos \theta_4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.2. Transformation Between Adjacent Coordinate Frames

A closed-loop robot provides a constraint on transformation matrices,

$$[T] = {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 {}^3T_4 {}^4T_1 = \mathbf{I}_4$$

where, the transformation matrix $[T]$ contains elements that are functions of $a_2, d, a_3, \theta_3, a_4, \theta_4, \theta_1$. The parameters a_2, a_3 , and a_4 are constant, while $d, \theta_3, \theta_4, \theta_1$ are variables.

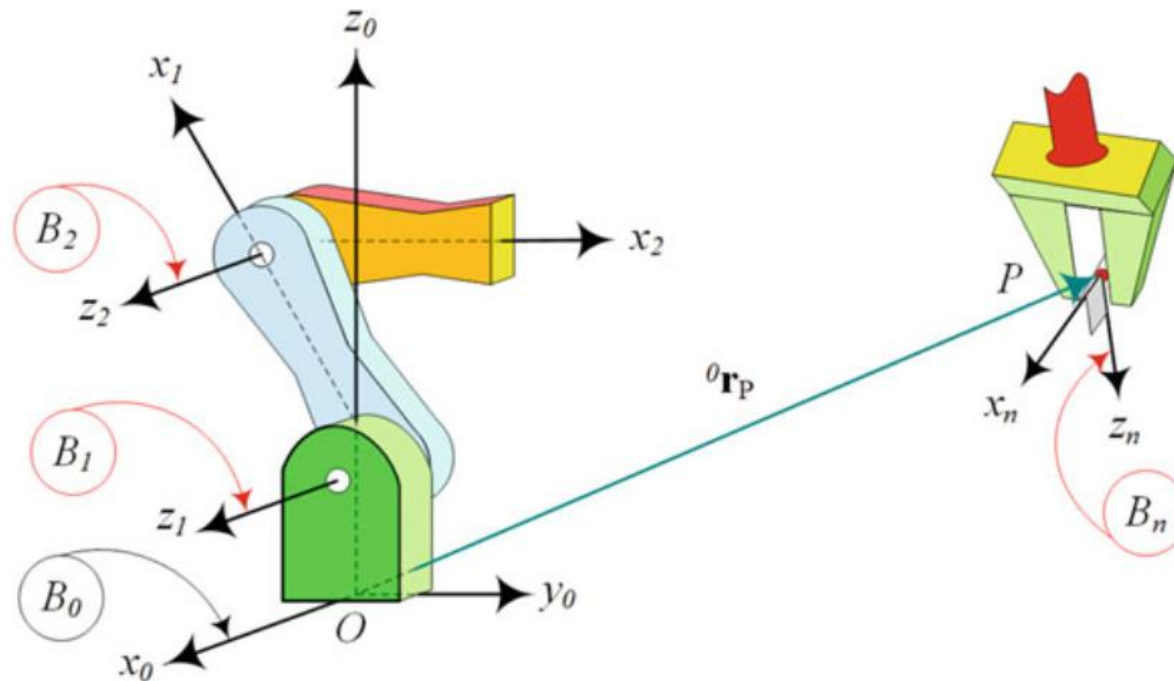
Assuming θ_1 is input and specified, we may solve for other unknown variables θ_3, θ_4, d by equating the corresponding elements of $[T]$ and \mathbf{I} .

5.3. Forward Position Kinematics of Robots

- **The forward or direct kinematics** is the transformation of kinematic information from **the robot joint variable space** to the **Cartesian coordinate space**.
 - ⇒ Determining **the end-effector position and orientation** for a given set of joint variables is the main problem in forward kinematics.
 - ⇒ Determining **transformation matrices** 0T_i to express the kinematic information of link (i) in the base link coordinate frame.
- The traditional way of producing forward kinematic equations for robotic manipulators is to proceed link by link using the Denavit–Hartenberg transformation matrices.

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- For an **n -DOF robot**, at least **n transformation matrices**, one for every link, are required to determine the global coordinate of any point in any frame.
- The configuration of the multibody when all the joint variables are zero is called the *rest position*.



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- If the links of a robot are arranged such that every link (i) has only one coordinate frame B_i and the frames are arranged sequentially, then:

$${}^0T_i = {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 {}^3T_4 \cdots {}^{i-1}T_i \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \cdots, n$$

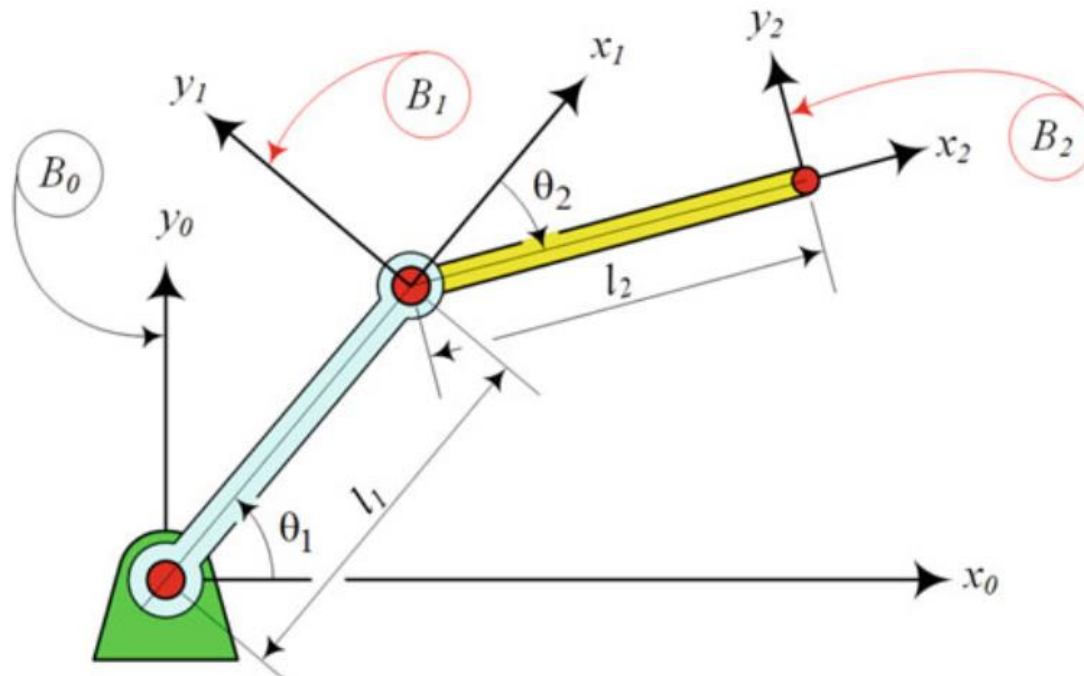
- Determine the coordinates of any point P of link (i) in the base frame

$${}^0\mathbf{r}_P = {}^0T_i {}^i\mathbf{r}_P \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \cdots, n$$

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Example 7: A 2R planar manipulator. !?

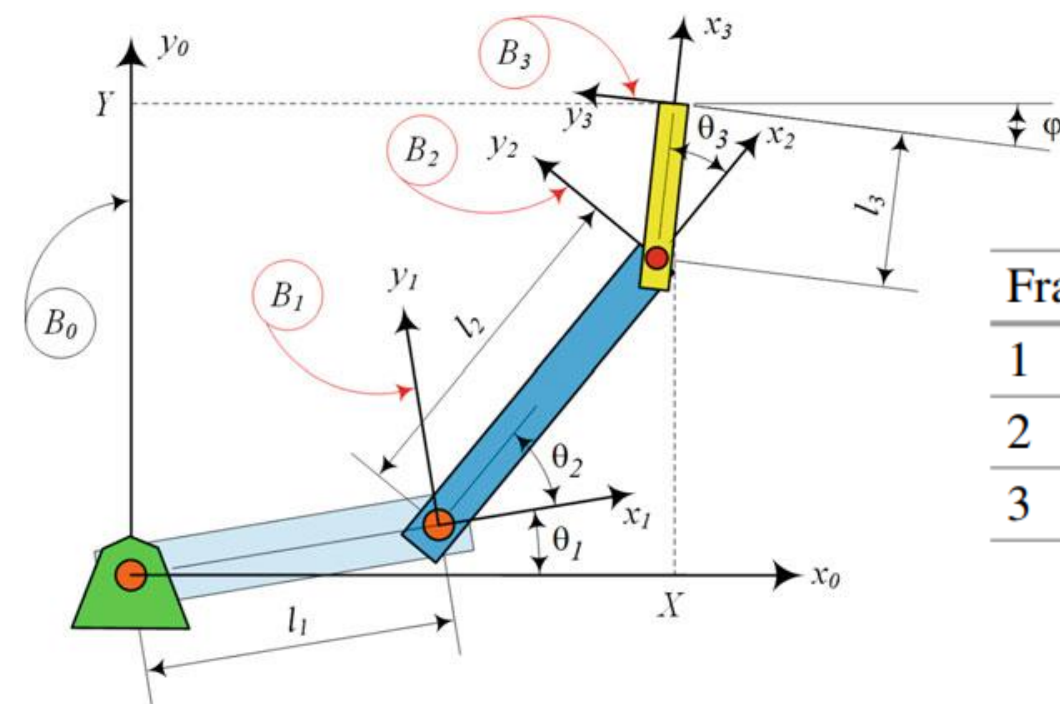
Figure illustrates a 2R or R||R planar manipulator with two parallel revolute joints. Find, the transformation matrices 0T_1 , 1T_2 , 0T_2



5.3. Forward Position Kinematics of Robots

Example 9: R||R||R, planar manipulator forward kinematics.

Application of DH matrices in forward kinematic analysis of a planar 3 DOF robot.



Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	l_1	0	0	θ_1
2	l_2	0	0	θ_2
3	l_3	0	0	θ_3

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Example 9: R||R||R, planar manipulator forward kinematics.

The transformation matrices ${}^{i-1}T_i$ for $i = 3, 2, 1$ can be found

$${}^2T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_3 & -\sin \theta_3 & 0 & l_3 \cos \theta_3 \\ \sin \theta_3 & \cos \theta_3 & 0 & l_3 \sin \theta_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1T_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 & 0 & l_2 \cos \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 & 0 & l_2 \sin \theta_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^0T_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 & l_1 \cos \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 & l_1 \sin \theta_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.3. Forward Position Kinematics of Robots

Example 9: R||R||R, planar manipulator forward kinematics.

The transformation matrices ${}^{i-1}T_i$ for $i = 3, 2, 1$ can be found

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^0T_3 &= {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & -\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & 0 & r_{14} \\ \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & 0 & r_{24} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$r_{14} = l_1 \cos \theta_1 + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

$$r_{24} = l_1 \sin \theta_1 + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

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Example 9: R||R||R, planar manipulator forward kinematics.

The origin of the frame B_3 is the tip point of the robot. Its position is at

$${}^0T_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 c\theta_1 + l_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ l_1 s\theta_1 + l_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

It means we can find the coordinate of the tip point in the base Cartesian coordinate frame

$$X = l_1 \cos \theta_1 + l_2 \cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

$$Y = l_1 \sin \theta_1 + l_2 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

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Example 9: R||R||R, planar manipulator forward kinematics.

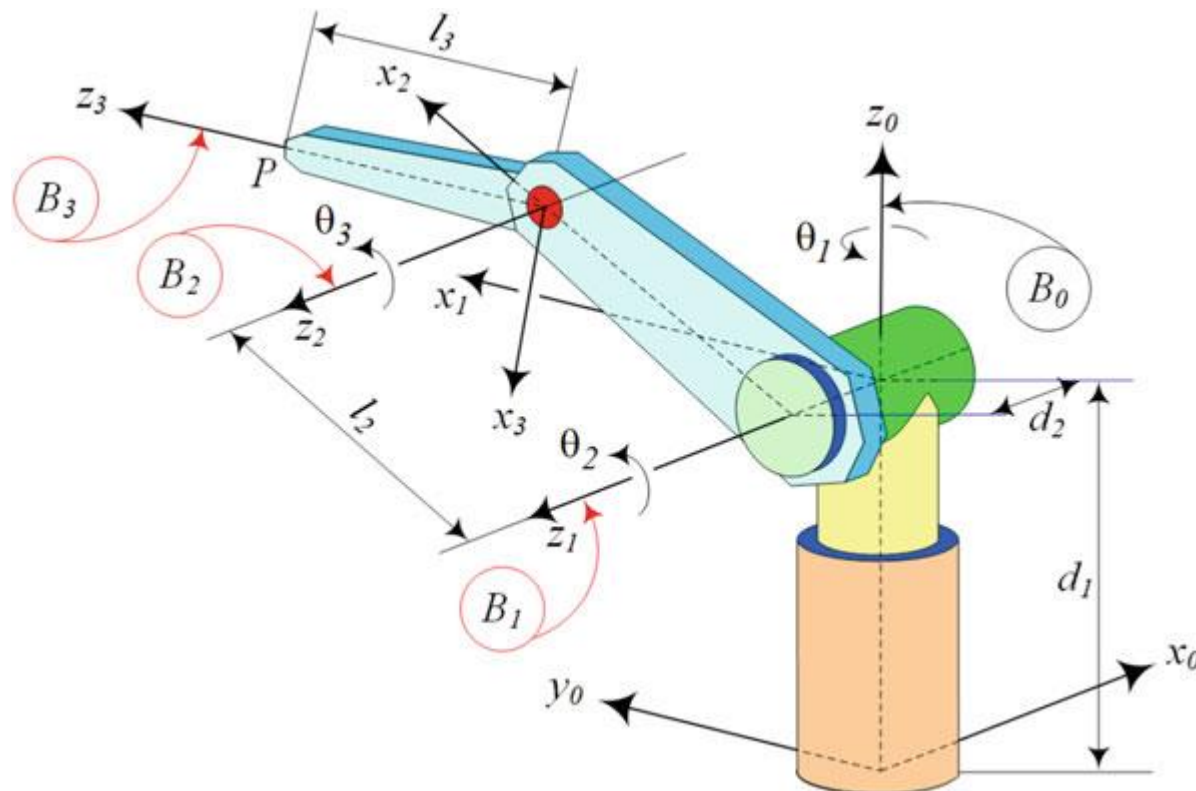
The rest position of the manipulator is lying on the x_0 -axis where $\theta_1 = 0$, $\theta_2 = 0$, $\theta_3 = 0$ because 0T_3 becomes

$${}^0T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & l_1 + l_2 + l_3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example 10: 3R, R┤R||R, articulated arm forward kinematics.

How to determine forward kinematics of the robot?

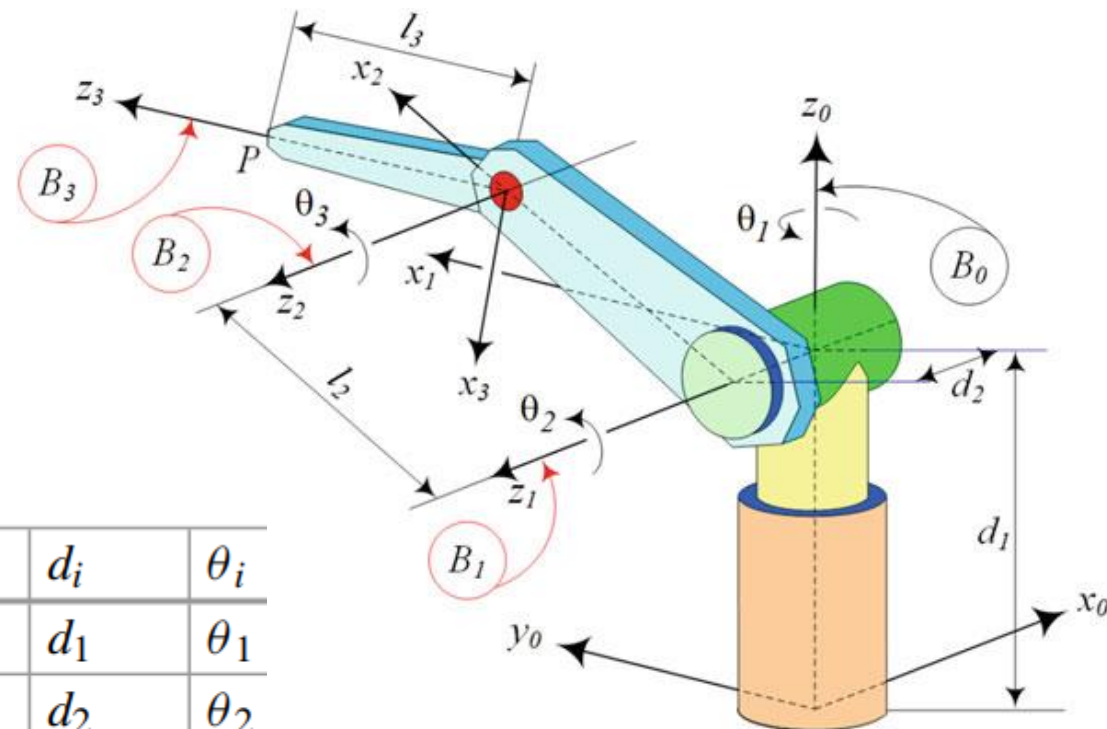


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Example 10: 3R, R┤R||R.

Link no.	Type
1	R┤R(−90)
2	R R(0)
3	R┤R(90)

Frame no.	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
1	0	−90 deg	d_1	θ_1
2	l_2	0	d_2	θ_2
3	0	90 deg	l_3	θ_3



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Example 10: 3R, R┤R||R.

The successive transformation matrices have the following expressions:

$${}^0T_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & 0 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_1 & 0 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & d_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1T_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 & 0 & l_2 \cos \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 & 0 & l_2 \sin \theta_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^2T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_3 & 0 & \sin \theta_3 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_3 & 0 & -\cos \theta_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example 10: 3R, R┤R||R.

To express the complete forward kinematics transformation:

$${}^0T_3 = {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & r_{14} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & r_{24} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & r_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r_{11} = \cos \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

$$r_{21} = \sin \theta_1 \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \quad r_{12} = -\sin \theta_1 \quad r_{22} = \cos \theta_1 \quad r_{32} = 0$$

$$r_{31} = -\sin(\theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

$$r_{14} = l_2 \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - d_2 \sin \theta_1$$

$$r_{13} = \cos \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

$$r_{24} = l_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_1 + d_2 \cos \theta_1$$

$$r_{23} = \sin \theta_1 \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

$$r_{34} = d_1 - l_2 \sin \theta_2$$

$$r_{33} = \cos(\theta_2 + \theta_3)$$

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Example 10: 3R, R┤R||R.

The tip point P of the third arm is at ${}^3\mathbf{r}_P = [0 \ 0 \ l_3]^T$ in B_3

$$\begin{aligned} {}^0\mathbf{r}_P &= {}^0T_3 {}^3\mathbf{r}_P \\ &= {}^0T_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ l_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -d_2s\theta_1 + l_2c\theta_1c\theta_2 + l_3c\theta_1s(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ d_2c\theta_1 + l_2c\theta_2s\theta_1 + l_3s\theta_1s(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ d_1 - l_2s\theta_2 + l_3c(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The transformation matrix at rest position, where $\theta_1 = 0$, $\theta_2 = 0$, $\theta_3 = 0$, is

$${}^0T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & l_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & d_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Example 10: 3R, R┤R||R.

The tip point P of the third arm is at in B_3

$$l_2 = 0.75 \text{ m} \quad l_3 = 0.65 \text{ m}$$

$$d_1 = 0.48 \text{ m} \quad d_2 = 0.174 \text{ m}$$

$${}^0T_3 = {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_1 c(\theta_2 + \theta_3) & -s\theta_1 c\theta_1 s(\theta_2 + \theta_3) & r_{11} \\ s\theta_1 c(\theta_2 + \theta_3) & c\theta_1 s\theta_1 s(\theta_2 + \theta_3) & r_{12} \\ -s(\theta_2 + \theta_3) & 0 & c(\theta_2 + \theta_3) & r_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r_{11} = 0.75 \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - 0.174 \sin \theta_1$$

$$r_{12} = 0.174 \cos \theta_1 + 0.75 \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_1$$

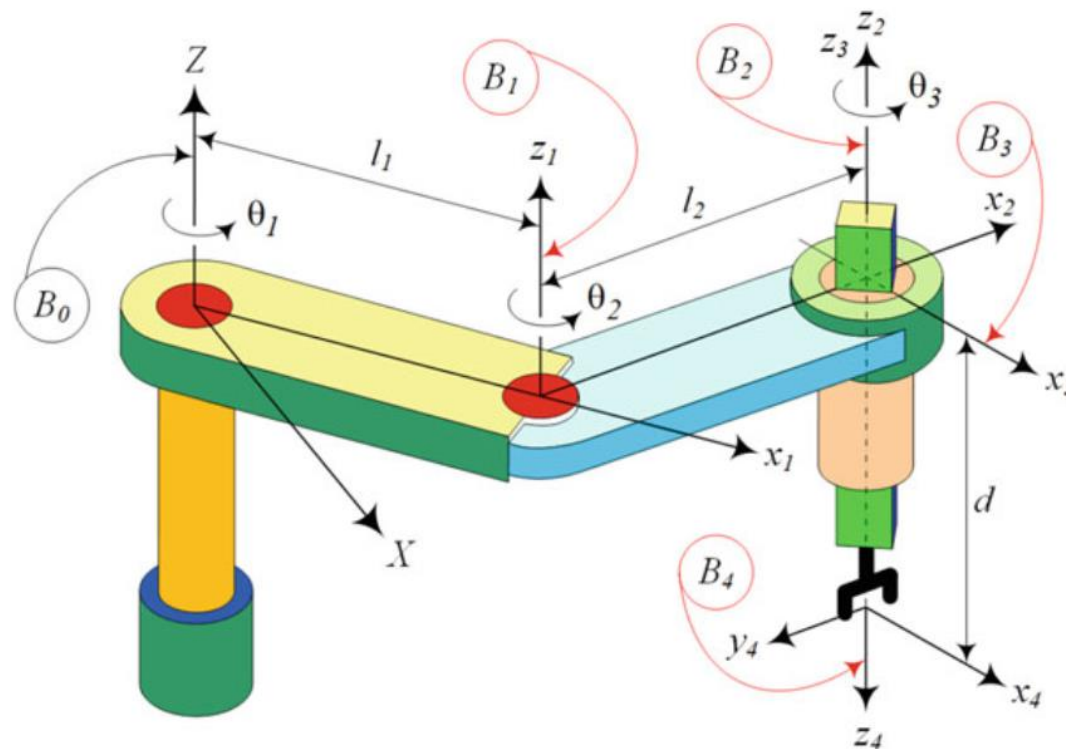
$$r_{13} = 0.48 - 0.75 \sin \theta_2$$

$${}^0\mathbf{r}_P = {}^0T_3 {}^3\mathbf{r}_P = {}^0T_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.65 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 \\ 0.174 \\ 1.13 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.3. Forward Position Kinematics of Robots

Example 11: SCARA robot (R||R||R||P).

Consider the R||R||R||P robot shown in Figure.



5.3. Forward Position Kinematics of Robots

Example 11: SCARA robot (R||R||R||P).

The first link is an R||R(0), which has the following transformation matrix:

$${}^0T_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 & l_1 \cos \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 & l_1 \sin \theta_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The second link is also an R||R(0)

$${}^1T_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 & 0 & l_2 \cos \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 & 0 & l_2 \sin \theta_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.3. Forward Position Kinematics of Robots

Example 11: SCARA robot (R||R||R||P).

The third link is an R||R(0) with zero length,

$${}^2T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_3 & -\sin \theta_3 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_3 & \cos \theta_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The fourth link is an R||P(180)

$${}^3T_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \pi & -\sin \pi & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \pi & \cos \pi & -d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.3. Forward Position Kinematics of Robots

Example 11: SCARA robot (R||R||R||P).

The configuration of the end-effector in the base coordinate frame is

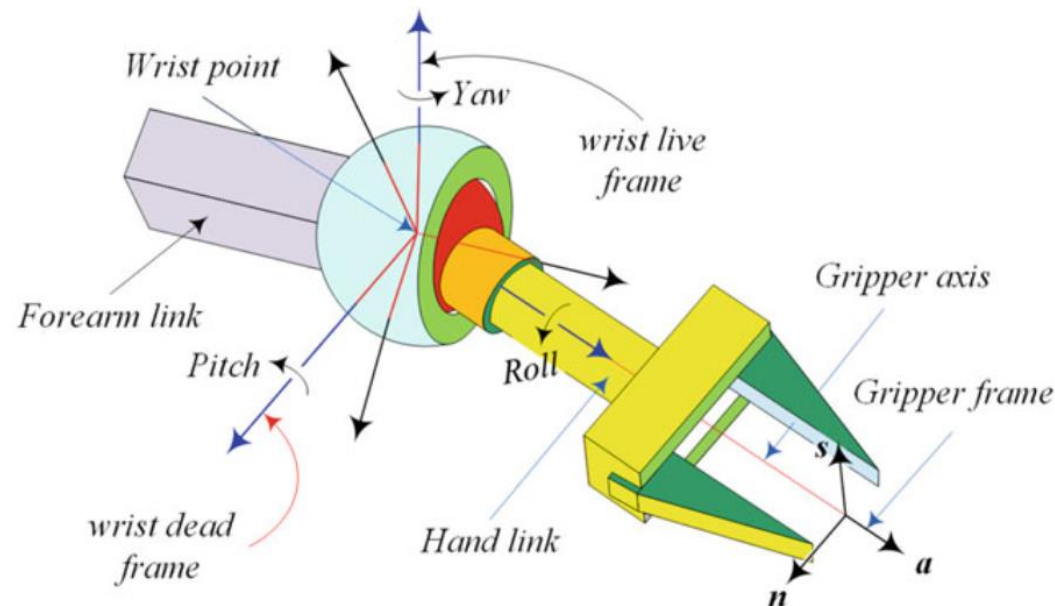
$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^0T_4 &= {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 {}^3T_4 \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} c(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & s(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & 0 & l_1 c\theta_1 + l_2 c(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ s(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & -c(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & 0 & l_1 s\theta_1 + l_2 s(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

It shows the rest position of the robot $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = \theta_3 = d = 0$ is at

$${}^0T_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & l_1 + l_2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

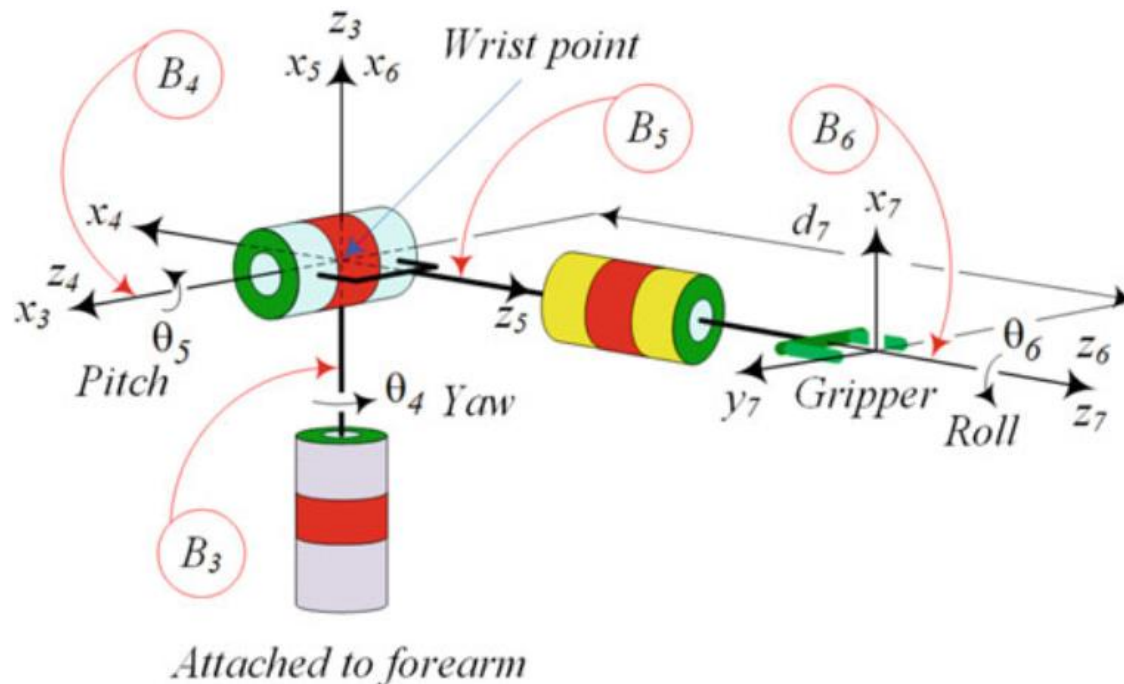
5.4. Spherical Wrist

- The **spherical joint** connects two links: **the forearm link** and **hand link**.
- The axis of **the forearm and hand** are colinear at the rest position of the hand.
- An **industrial spherical wrist** is to simulate a spherical joint and provide **3 rotational DOF** for the gripper link.



5.4. Spherical Wrist

- To classify spherical wrists, let us decompose the rotations of the spherical wrist into three rotations about three orthogonal axes, calling the rotations, **Roll**, **Pitch**, and **Yaw**.



Type	Rotation order
1	Roll–Pitch–Roll
2	Roll–Pitch–Yaw
3	Pitch–Yaw–Roll

5.4. Spherical Wrist

- A Roll–Pitch–Roll spherical wrist with the following transformation matrix are illustrated

$${}^3T_6 = {}^3T_4 {}^4T_5 {}^5T_6$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_4 c\theta_5 c\theta_6 - s\theta_4 s\theta_6 & -c\theta_6 s\theta_4 - c\theta_4 c\theta_5 s\theta_6 & c\theta_4 s\theta_5 & 0 \\ c\theta_4 s\theta_6 + c\theta_5 c\theta_6 s\theta_4 & c\theta_4 c\theta_6 - c\theta_5 s\theta_4 s\theta_6 & s\theta_4 s\theta_5 & 0 \\ -c\theta_6 s\theta_5 & s\theta_5 s\theta_6 & c\theta_5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The following transformation matrix provides the configuration of the tool frame B_7 in the forearm coordinate frame B_3

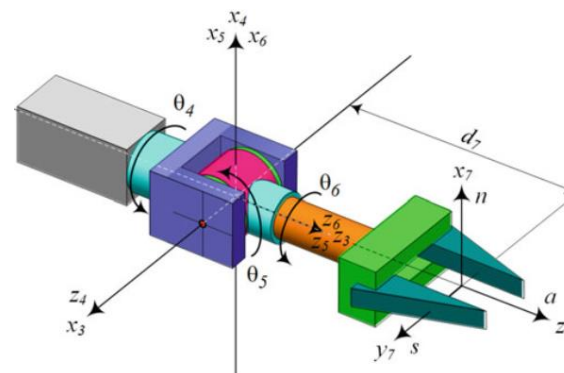
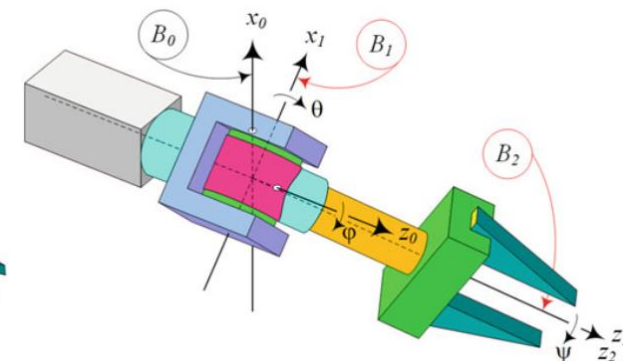
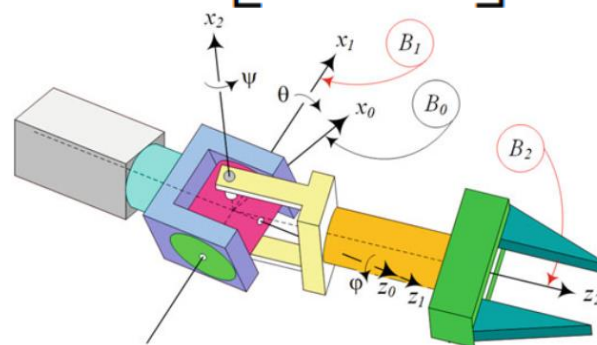
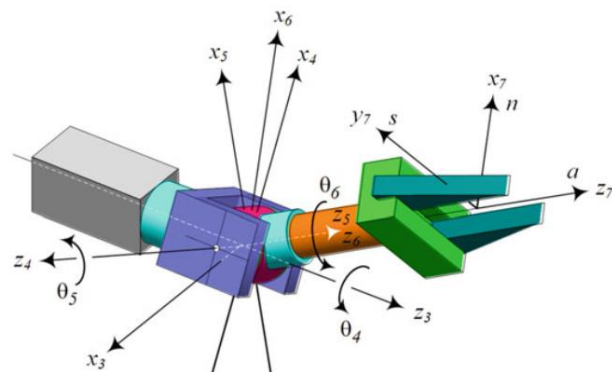
$${}^3T_7 = {}^3T_4 {}^4T_5 {}^5T_6 {}^6T_7$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_4 c\theta_5 c\theta_6 - s\theta_4 s\theta_6 & -c\theta_6 s\theta_4 - c\theta_4 c\theta_5 s\theta_6 & c\theta_4 s\theta_5 & d_7 c\theta_4 s\theta_5 \\ c\theta_4 s\theta_6 + c\theta_5 c\theta_6 s\theta_4 & c\theta_4 c\theta_6 - c\theta_5 s\theta_4 s\theta_6 & s\theta_4 s\theta_5 & d_7 s\theta_4 s\theta_5 \\ -c\theta_6 s\theta_5 & s\theta_5 s\theta_6 & c\theta_5 & d_7 c\theta_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5.4. Spherical Wrist

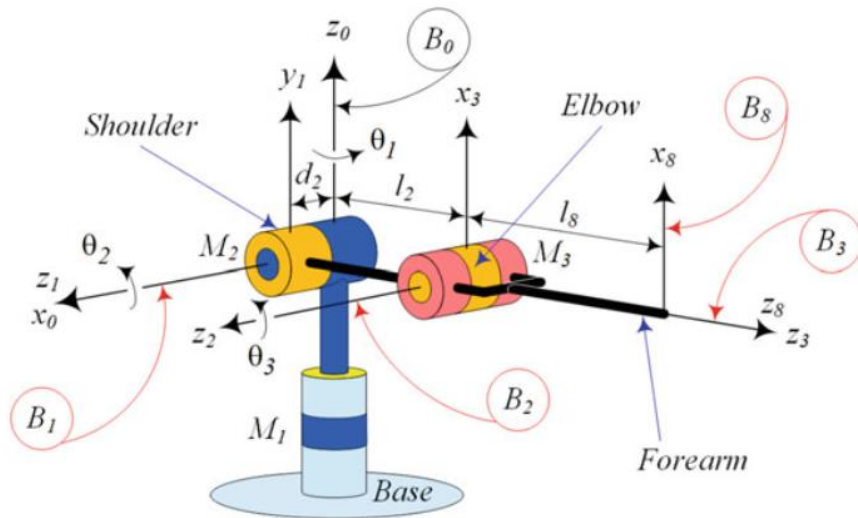
- The transformation matrix at rest position, where $\theta_4 = 0$, $\theta_5 = 0$, $\theta_6 = 0$, is

$${}^3T_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

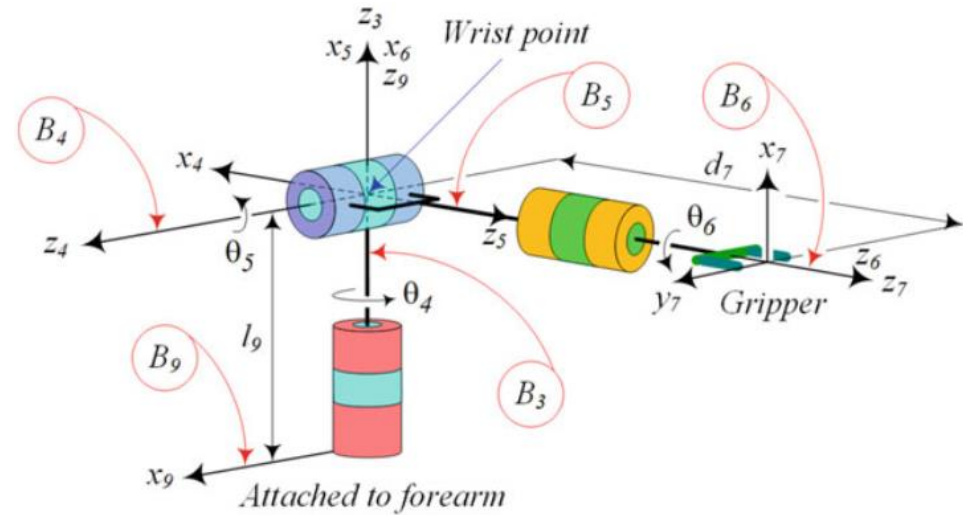


5.5. Assembling Kinematics

- Most modern industrial robots have a main manipulator and a series of changeable *wrists*. The manipulator is multibody so that holds the main power units and provides a powerful motion for the wrist point.



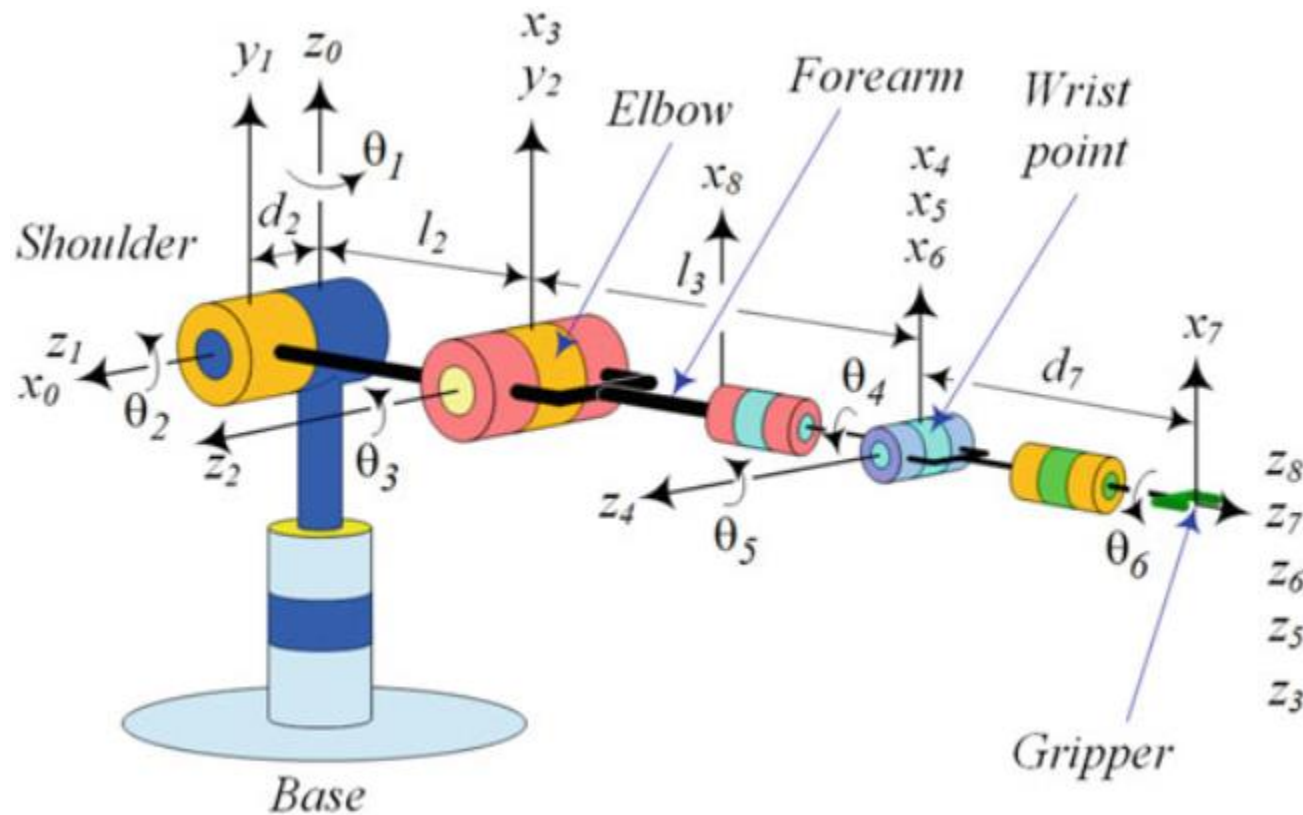
An articulator manipulator with 3 DOFs



A spherical wrist and its kinematics

5.5. Assembling Kinematics

- The articulated robot that is made by assembling the spherical wrist and articulated manipulator.



An articulated robot that is made by assembling a spherical wrist to an articulated manipulator

C5. End!