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FeatherstoneConsoleApp1

A C# implementation of the Featherstone recursive algorithm for solving the dynamics of serial chains of rigid bodies and/or open tree structures of rigid bodies.

Basic Equations in Spatial Notation

Joint Axis

$$\mathbf{s}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{r}_i \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i \\ \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Spatial Inertia

$$\mathbf{I}_i = \begin{bmatrix} m_i & -m_i[\vec{r}_i^C \times] \\ m_i[\vec{r}_i^C \times] & \mathcal{I}_i - m_i[\vec{r}_i^C \times][\vec{r}_i^C \times] \end{bmatrix}$$

Rigid Body Mechanics

$$\mathbf{f}_i - \mathbf{f}_{i+1} + \mathbf{w}_i = \mathbf{I}_i \mathbf{a}_i + \mathbf{v}_i \times \mathbf{I}_i \mathbf{v}_i$$

Joint Conditions

$$Q_i = \mathbf{s}_i^\top \mathbf{f}_i$$

Kinematics

Loop up the chain $i=1$ to N

$$\text{Velocity Kinematics } \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{v}_{i-1} + \mathbf{s}_i \dot{q}_i$$

$$\text{Start with } \mathbf{v}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Bias Acceleration

$$\boldsymbol{\kappa}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{\omega}_i \times & \vec{v}_i \times \\ 0 & \vec{\omega}_i \times \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{s}_i \dot{q}_i$$

Bias Forces

$$\boldsymbol{p}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{\omega}_i \times & 0 \\ \vec{v}_i \times & \vec{\omega}_i \times \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_i \boldsymbol{v}_i$$

Weight

$$\boldsymbol{w}_i = \begin{bmatrix} m_i \vec{g} \\ \vec{r}_i^C \times m_i \vec{g} \end{bmatrix}$$

Articulated Inertia

Loop down the chain $i=N$ to 1

$$\text{Articulated Inertia } \mathbf{I}_i^A = \mathbf{I}_i + \sum_n^{\text{children}} (1 - \mathbf{T}_n \boldsymbol{s}_n^\top) \mathbf{I}_n^A$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Articulated Bias Force } \boldsymbol{p}_i^A &= \boldsymbol{p}_i - \boldsymbol{w}_i + \\ &\sum_n^{\text{children}} (\mathbf{T}_n Q_n + (1 - \mathbf{T}_n \boldsymbol{s}_n^\top) (\mathbf{I}_n^A \boldsymbol{\kappa}_n + \boldsymbol{p}_n^A)) \end{aligned}$$

Start with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}_N^A &= \mathbf{I}_N \\ \boldsymbol{p}_N^A &= \boldsymbol{p}_N - \boldsymbol{w}_N \end{aligned}$$

Dynamics Solution

Loop up the chain $i=1$ to N

$$\text{Joint Acceleration Solution } \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}_i = (\boldsymbol{s}_i^\top \mathbf{I}_n^A \boldsymbol{s}_i)^{-1} (Q_i - \boldsymbol{s}_i^\top (\mathbf{I}_n^A (\boldsymbol{a}_{i-1} + \boldsymbol{\kappa}_i) + \boldsymbol{p}_i^A))$$

$$\text{Acceleration Kinematics } \boldsymbol{a}_i = \boldsymbol{a}_{i-1} + \boldsymbol{s}_i \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}_i + \boldsymbol{v}_i \times \boldsymbol{s}_i \dot{\boldsymbol{q}}_i$$

$$\text{Joint Forces } \boldsymbol{f}_i = \mathbf{I}_n^A \boldsymbol{a}_i + \boldsymbol{p}_i^A$$