

Force to Torque - Articulated Body Mapping Analysis

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1 Articulated Body Algorithm

The analysis is performed base on the *Articulated Body algorithm*, Algorithm 1 equations. The objective of this document is to find a relation between the reaction force at the foot ($[\mathbf{f}_F]_0$) and the 3-dimensional torque at the hip ($\boldsymbol{\tau}_H = [\tau_x \ \tau_y \ \tau_z]^T$).

Algorithm 1 Articulated-Body algorithm

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1: function FDABA(model,  $\mathbf{q}$ ,  $\dot{\mathbf{q}}$ ,  $\ddot{\mathbf{q}}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\tau}$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{f}}_{ext}|_1^{N_B}$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}_g$ )
2:    $\bar{\mathbf{v}}_0 \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$ 
3:    $\bar{\mathbf{a}}_0 \leftarrow -\bar{\mathbf{a}}_g$ 
4:   for  $i = 1 : N_B$  do
5:      $[\mathbf{X}_J, \bar{\mathbf{S}}_i] \leftarrow jcalc(jtype(i), q_i, \dot{q}_i)$ 
6:      $\bar{\mathbf{v}}_J = \bar{\mathbf{S}}_i \dot{q}_i$ 
7:      ${}^i\mathbf{X}_{\lambda_i} \leftarrow \mathbf{X}_J \mathbf{X}_i^{tree}$ 
8:      $\bar{\mathbf{v}}_i \leftarrow {}^i\mathbf{X}_{\lambda_i} \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\lambda_i} + \bar{\mathbf{v}}_J$ 
9:      $\bar{\mathbf{c}}_i \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{v}}_i \times \bar{\mathbf{v}}_J$ 
10:     $\bar{\mathbf{I}}_i^A \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{I}}_i$ 
11:     $\bar{\mathbf{p}}_i^A \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{v}}_i \times {}^*\bar{\mathbf{I}}_i \bar{\mathbf{v}}_i - \bar{\mathbf{f}}_i^x$ 
12:  end for
13:  for  $i = N_B : 1$  do
14:     $\bar{\mathbf{U}}_i \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{I}}_i^A \bar{\mathbf{S}}_i$ 
15:     $d_i \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{S}}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{U}}_i$ 
16:     $u_i \leftarrow \tau_i - \bar{\mathbf{S}}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{p}}_i^A$ 
17:    if  $\lambda_i \neq 0$  then
18:       $\bar{\mathbf{I}}^a \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{I}}_i^A - \bar{\mathbf{U}}_i d_i^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{U}}_i^T$ 
19:       $\bar{\mathbf{p}}^a \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{p}}_i^A + \bar{\mathbf{I}}^a \bar{\mathbf{c}}_i + \bar{\mathbf{U}}_i d_i^{-1} u_i$ 
20:       $\bar{\mathbf{I}}_{\lambda_i}^A \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{I}}_{\lambda_i}^A + {}^{\lambda_i}\mathbf{X}_i^* \bar{\mathbf{I}}^a {}^i\mathbf{X}_{\lambda_i}$ 
21:       $\bar{\mathbf{p}}_{\lambda_i}^A \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{p}}_{\lambda_i}^A + {}^{\lambda_i}\mathbf{X}_i^* \bar{\mathbf{p}}^a$ 
22:    end if
23:  end for
24:  for  $i = 1 : N_B$  do
25:     $\bar{\mathbf{a}}' \leftarrow {}^i\mathbf{X}_{\lambda_i} \bar{\mathbf{a}}_{\lambda_i} + \bar{\mathbf{c}}_i$ 
26:     $\ddot{q}_i \leftarrow d_i^{-1} (u_i - \bar{\mathbf{U}}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{a}}')$ 
27:     $\bar{\mathbf{a}}_i \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{a}}' + \bar{\mathbf{S}}_i \ddot{q}_i$ 
28:  end for
29: end function

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▷ Base twist

▷ Base twist derivative

1.1 Body inertia

$$\bar{\mathbf{I}}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_i + m_i CPM(\boldsymbol{\rho}_i) CPM(\boldsymbol{\rho}_i)^T & m_i CPM(\boldsymbol{\rho}_i) \\ m_i CPM(\boldsymbol{\rho}_i)^T & m_i \mathbf{1}_{3 \times 3} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$CPM(\boldsymbol{\rho}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\rho_z & \rho_y \\ \rho_z & 0 & -\rho_x \\ -\rho_y & \rho_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{given that} \quad \boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_x \\ \rho_y \\ \rho_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that we are only interested in the bias forces (\mathbf{p}_i^A) and the wrench f_1 , because these variables depend on the torques. We assumed that any other variable not related to the torques can be contain in a single variable, this is the case of the articulated body inertias (\mathbf{I}_i^A) and twist (\mathbf{v}).

2 Rigid-Body bias forces analysis

This algorithm is based on a six body scheme, therefore there are 6 body-frames ($F_1 - F_6$) and one inertial frame (F_0).

Let

$$\mathbf{S} = [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]^T \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{d}_i = \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{I}_i^A \mathbf{S} \quad i = 1, \dots, 6 \quad \mathbf{d}_i \in \mathbb{R}^1 \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{b}_i = \frac{1}{\mathbf{d}_i} \mathbf{I}_i^A \mathbf{S} \quad i = 1, \dots, 6 \quad \mathbf{b}_i \in \mathbb{R}^6 \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{1}_{6 \times 6} - \mathbf{b}_i \mathbf{S}^T \quad i = 1, \dots, 6 \quad \mathbf{A}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{6 \times 6} \quad (4)$$

Now, we compute each of the bias forces as follows

$$\mathbf{p}_6^A = \mathbf{p}_6$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_5^A &= \mathbf{X}_6^T [\mathbf{A}_6 \mathbf{p}_6^A + \mathbf{I}_6^a \mathbf{c}_6] + \mathbf{X}_6 \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 \\ &= \mathbf{k}_6 + \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_4^A &= \mathbf{X}_5^T [\mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{p}_5^A + \mathbf{I}_5^a \mathbf{c}_5] + \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 \\ &= \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{I}_5^a \mathbf{c}_5 + \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 [\mathbf{k}_6 + \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6] + \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 \\ &= \mathbf{k}_5 + \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_3^A &= \mathbf{X}_4^T [\mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{p}_4^A + \mathbf{I}_4^a \mathbf{c}_4] + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 \\ &= \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{I}_4^a \mathbf{c}_4 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 [\mathbf{k}_5 + \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5] + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 \\ &= \mathbf{k}_4 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_2^A &= \mathbf{X}_3^T [\mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{p}_3^A + \mathbf{I}_3^a \mathbf{c}_3] + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3 \\ &= \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{I}_3^a \mathbf{c}_3 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 [\mathbf{k}_4 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4] + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3 \\ &= \mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_1^A &= \mathbf{X}_2^T [\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{p}_2^A + \mathbf{I}_2^a \mathbf{c}_2] + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{b}_2 \tau_2 \\ &= \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{I}_2^a \mathbf{c}_2 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 [\mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 \\ &\quad + \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3] + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{b}_2 \tau_2 \\ &= \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 \\ &\quad + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{b}_2 \tau_2 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Note \mathbf{X}_i is a 6×6 matrix which denotes the transformation matrices from frame F_i to F_{i+1} . Similarly \mathbf{X}_i^T transforms from frame F_{i+1} to F_i

3 Reaction force analysis

3.1 Twist derivative

The first generalized acceleration is given by

$$\ddot{q}_1 = \frac{1}{d_1} [\tau_1 - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{p}_1^A - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{I}_1^A (\mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{c}_1)] \quad (6)$$

Applying it in the equation of the first twist derivative yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{a}_1 &= \mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{S} \ddot{q}_1 \\
&= \mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{S} \frac{1}{d_1} \left[\tau_1 - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{p}_1^A - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{I}_1^A (\mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{c}_1) \right] \\
&= \left[\mathbf{1}_{6 \times 6} - \frac{1}{d_1} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{I}_1^A \right] \left[\mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{c}_1 \right] + \mathbf{S} \frac{1}{d_1} \left[\tau_1 - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{p}_1^A \right] \\
&= \mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{S} \frac{1}{d_1} \left[\tau_1 - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{p}_1^A \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

3.2 Wrench

The first wrench expressed in body-frame F_1 is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{f}_1 &= \mathbf{I}_1^A \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{p}_1^A \\
&= \mathbf{I}_1^A \left(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{S} \frac{1}{d_1} \left[\tau_1 - \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{p}_1^A \right] \right) + \mathbf{p}_1^A \\
&= \mathbf{I}_1^A \mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1 \tau_1 + \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{p}_1^A
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

Expressed in the inertia frame

$$[\mathbf{f}_1]_0 = \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{I}_1^A \mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{b}_1 \tau_1 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{p}_1^A \tag{9}$$

Substituting Eq. (5) in the previous equation yields

$$\begin{aligned}
[\mathbf{f}_1]_0 &= \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{I}_1^A \mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{b}_1 \tau_1 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \left[\mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3 + \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{b}_2 \tau_2 \right] \\
&= \mathbf{k}_0 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 \\
&\quad + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{b}_2 \tau_2 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{b}_1 \tau_1 \\
&= \mathbf{k}_0 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{b}_1 \tau_1 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{b}_2 \tau_2 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{b}_3 \tau_3 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \left[\mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

4 Mapping

In the case of the spatial pendulum

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}_F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T \Rightarrow \tau_1 = \tau_2 = \tau_3 = 0 \tag{11}$$

thus

$$[\mathbf{f}_1]_0 = \mathbf{k}_0 + \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \left[\mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4 \tau_4 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5 \tau_5 + \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6 \tau_6 \right] \tag{12}$$

Note that \mathbf{f}_1 denotes the first wrench, a 6×1 vector. Thus the previous equation can be express in block form as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{n}_F \\ \mathbf{f}_F \end{bmatrix}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k}_{0n} \\ \mathbf{k}_{0f} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{D}_n \\ \mathbf{D}_f \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\tau}_H \quad \text{given that} \quad \boldsymbol{\tau}_H = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_4 & \tau_5 & \tau_6 \end{bmatrix}^T \tag{13}$$

where $\mathbf{D}_n, \mathbf{D}_f \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ and $\mathbf{n}_F, \mathbf{f}_F, \mathbf{k}_{0n}, \mathbf{k}_{0f} \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Therefore, the reaction force at the foot is given by

$$\mathbf{f}_F = \mathbf{k}_{0f} + \mathbf{D}_f \boldsymbol{\tau}_H \tag{14}$$

where

$$\mathbf{D}_f = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d}_1 & \mathbf{d}_2 & \mathbf{d}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \mathbf{d}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{b}_4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 \\ \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{b}_5$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_3 \\ \mathbf{d}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}_1^T \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{X}_2^T \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_3^T \mathbf{A}_3 \mathbf{X}_4^T \mathbf{A}_4 \mathbf{X}_5^T \mathbf{A}_5 \mathbf{X}_6^T \mathbf{b}_6$$

and

$$\mathbf{k}_{0f} = \mathbf{f}_0$$

meaning \mathbf{k}_{0f} is the reaction force vector at the foot when $\boldsymbol{\tau}_H = 0$.