

MREN-348: Introduction to Robotics

Winter 2025

MATLAB Assignment #1

1. a) Given a rotation matrix and not considering the special cases, how many possible sets of ZYZ Euler angles can be found?

b) Write a MATLAB function that receives a rotation matrix as the input, and finds the sets of ZYZ Euler angles (Phi, Nu, Psi). The function should detect and take care of special cases, and display a message when a special case occurs. Use the following format for your code:

```
function Rot2ZYZ(RotMatrix)
.
.
.
Your Code
.
.
.
if (special case)
    display a message describing the case
    display results (in degrees)
else
    display results (in degrees)
end
```

- c) Provide results for the following set of matrices:

```
Rot1 =
    0.6552    0.7550    0.0250
   -0.7526    0.6553   -0.0651
   -0.0655    0.0239    0.9976

Rot2 =
   -0.9816   -0.1908    0.0000
   -0.1908    0.9816    0.0000
   -0.0000    0.0000   -1.0000

Rot3 =
   -0.1219   -0.9925         0
    0.9925   -0.1219         0
         0         0      1.0000
```

2. a) Write a similar function, which converts a rotation matrix to equivalent angle (ν) and axis (\mathbf{r}). The function should take care of special cases, and display a message when a special case occurs. Use the following format for your code:

```
function Rot2EqAngle(RotMatrix)
.
.
.
Your Code
.
.
.
if (special case)
    display a message describing the case
    display results (degrees)
else
    display results [Nu (in degrees) and R (vector)]
end
```

- b) Provide the results for the following set of matrices:

```
Rot4 =
    0.9063    0    0.4226
         0    1.0000    0
   -0.4226    0    0.9063
```

```
Rot5 =
   -0.7778    0.4444    0.4444
    0.4444   -0.1111    0.8889
    0.4444    0.8889   -0.1111
```

```
Rot6 =
    1    0    0
    0    1    0
    0    0    1
```

3. a) Write a similar function, which converts a rotation matrix to Unit Quaternions $Q=\{\eta,\epsilon\}$. Use the following format for your code:

```
function Rot2UQuater(RotMatrix)
.
.
.
Your Code
.
.
.
display results [Eta (scalar) and Esp (vector)]
```

Hint: Be careful when using the MATLAB `sign(x)` function for this question. In particular, what should the value of `sign(0)` be? (-1, 0, or 1)

- b) Provide the results for the above rotation matrices Rot4, Rot5, and Rot6.

Submission:

- **Due date:** Thursday January 30th, 2025, 11:59 pm
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