

Assignment 2 in Modsim

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Task 1

a)

The definition of $SO(3)$ is given by:

$$\bullet SO(3) = \{R : R \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}, R^T R = I, \det(R) = 1\}$$

by this definition the columns in the R matrices have to be orthogonal. This means that the scalar product between each column vector must be equal to zero. This results in the following matrices:

$$\bullet R_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{13} & 0 & -\frac{12}{13} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{12}{13} & 0 & \frac{5}{13} \end{bmatrix}$$

This can be double checked using the right hand rule.

b)

Given the rotation matrix R_b^a , a vector v in frame a is given by:

$$\bullet v^a = R_b^a v^b$$

From this it follows that R_b^a can be written as:

$$\bullet R_b^a = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \cdot b_1 & a_1 \cdot b_2 & a_1 \cdot b_3 \\ a_2 \cdot b_1 & a_2 \cdot b_2 & a_2 \cdot b_3 \\ a_3 \cdot b_1 & a_3 \cdot b_2 & a_3 \cdot b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

here we see that the first column is the first element of v^b vector in the a frame. The rest follows accordingly.

c)

$$\bullet (v^a)^T v^a = (v^b)^T (R_b^a)^T R_b^a v^b = (v^b)^T I v^b = (v^b)^T v^b$$

d)

$$\bullet u^a \times v^a = (R_b^a u^b) \times (R_b^a v^b)$$

From this we use the skew-symmetric matrix $(Ru)^\times$

$$\bullet \Rightarrow (R_b^a u^b)^\times (R_b^a v^b) = (R_b^a u^b)^\times (R_b^a)^T R_b^a v^b = R_b^a (u^b)^\times (R_b^a)^T R_b^a v^b = R_b^a (u^b \times v^b)$$

The relation shows that it is the same if we cross then rotate or rotate then cross.

Task 2

a)

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%% SymbolicEuler
clear all
close all
clc

%% FILL IN ALL PLACES LABELLED "complete"

syms rho theta psi real
syms drho dtheta dpsi real

A      = [rho;theta;psi];
dA     = [drho;dtheta;dpsi];

% rotation about x
R{1} = [1 0 0;
        0 cos(A(1)) -sin(A(1));
        0 sin(A(1)) cos(A(1))];

% rotation about y
R{2} = [cos(A(2)) 0 sin(A(2));
        0 1 0;
        -sin(A(2)) 0 cos(A(2))];

% rotation about z
R{3} = [cos(A(3)) -sin(A(3)) 0;
        sin(A(3)) cos(A(3)) 0;
        0 0 1];

%Rotation matrix
Rba = simplify(R{1}*R{2}*R{3});

% Time derivative of the rotation matrix (Hint: use the function "diff"
% (the one from the Symbolic Math Toolbox) to differentiate the matrix w.r.t. the
% angles rho, theta, psi one by one, and form the whole time derivative using the
% chain rule and summing the derivatives)
dRba = simplify(diff(Rba,A(1))*dA(1) + diff(Rba,A(2))*dA(2) + diff(Rba,A(3))*dA(3))

% Use the formulat relating Rba, dRba and Omega (skew-symmetric matrix
% underlying the angular velocity omega)
Omega =(Rba'*dRba); % Is on the form [ 0 -w_3 w_2;
                                     % w_3 0 -w_1;
                                     % -w_2 w_1 0];
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% Extract the angular velocity vector omega (3x1) from the matrix Omega (3x3)
omega = [Omega(3, 2); % omega_1
         Omega(1, 3); % omega_2
         Omega(2, 1)] % omega_3

% This line generates matrix M in the relationship omega = M*dA
M = jacobian(omega,dA);

% This line creates a Matlab function returning Rba and M for a given
% A = [rho;theta;psi], can be called using [Rba,M] = Rotations(state);
matlabFunction(Rba,M,'file','Rotations','vars',{A})

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Code works and creates the "Rotations" function

b)

The inside of the implemented "Kinematics" function is given by:

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%% Kinematics
% Code your equations here...
euler_params = parameters; % Is the current angular velocity
[R, M] = Rotations(state); % Takes current state as argument
%dx = M\euler_params; % Modelled dynamics of the system

state_dot = M\euler_params;

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The angular velocity is given by $\omega_{ab}^b = M \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\rho} \\ \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\phi} \end{bmatrix}$, to model the dynamics we solve for the state derivatives and

$$\text{obtain } \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\rho} \\ \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\phi} \end{bmatrix} = M^{-1} \omega_{ab}^b$$

c)

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%% MainKinematics
clear all
close all
clc

time_final = 20; %Final time

%%%%% MODIFY. Initial state values and parameter values
init_state = [0;0;0]; % We start with zero as initial angle
parameters = [3;1;2]; % We start with zero velocity

% Simulate dynamics
try

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%%%%%%%%% MODIFY THE FUNCTION "Kinematics" TO PRODUCE SIMULATIONS OF THE SOLID ORIENTATION
%%%%%%%%%
%%%%%%%%% Hints:
%%%%%%%%% - "parameters" allows you to pass some parameters to the "Kinematic" function.
%%%%%%%%% - "state" will contain representations of the solid orientation (SO(3)).
%%%%%%%%% - use the "reshape" function to turn a matrix into a vector or vice-versa.

[time,statetraj] = ode45(@(t,x) Kinematics(t, x, parameters), [0,time_final], init_state);

catch message
    display('Your simulation failed with the following message:')
    display(message.message)
    display(' ')

    %Assign dummy time and states if simulation failed
    time = [0,10];
    statetraj = [0,0];
end

%Below is a template for a real-time animation
ScaleFrame = 5; % Scaling factor for adjusting the frame size (cosmetic)
FS          = 15; % Fontsize for text
SW          = 0.035; % Arrows size

time_display = 0; % initialise time_display
while time_display < time(end)

    state_animate = interp1(time,statetraj,time_display); %interpolate the simulated state at t

    p      = [5;5;5]; % Position of the single body

    %%%%%%%%%% MODIFY THE FOLLOWING LINES TO PRODUCE AN "omega" AND "R" FROM YOUR SIMULATION STATE

    %omega = [0;0;4]; % Some random Omega

    %R      = [   -0.8603    0.4343   -0.2670
    %           -0.4771   -0.8705    0.1213
    %           -0.1797    0.2317    0.9560]; % Some random rotation matrix

    omega = parameters; % Fetches parameters from ODE45
    R = Rotations(state_animate. '); % Fetches animation states and transforms the frame from b

    %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%

    %3D below this point
    figure(1);clf;hold on
    MakeFrame( zeros(3,1),eye(3),ScaleFrame,FS,SW,'a', 'color', 'k')
    MakeFrame( p,R,ScaleFrame,FS,SW,'b', 'color', 'r')
    MakeArrow( p,R*omega,FS,SW,'$$\omega$$', 'color', [0,0.5,0])
    DrawRectangle(p,R , 'color',[0.5,0.5,0.5]);
    FormatPicture([0;0;2],0.5*[73.8380   21.0967   30.1493])

    if time_display == 0
        display('Hit a key to start animation')
    end
end

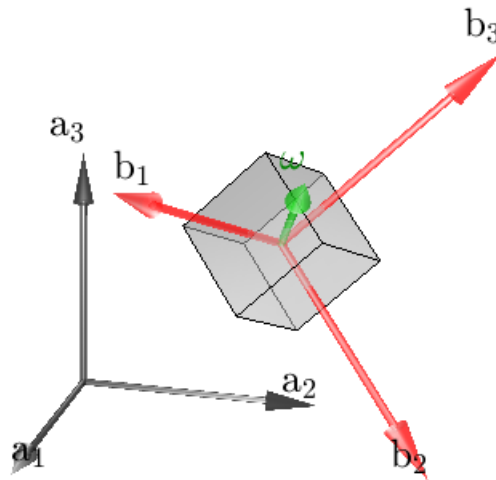
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        pause
        tic
    end
    time_display = toc; %get the current clock time
end

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Hit a key to start animation



d)

The results seem reasonable because the axis of rotation stays the same in every simulation, with only the magnitude of ω_{ab}^b changing.

Task 3

a)

$$\bullet Rk = (\cos(\theta)I + \sin(\theta)k^\times + (1 - \cos(\theta))kk^T)k = \cos(\theta)Ik + \sin(\theta)k^\times k + Ik - \cos(\theta)Ik = k$$

b)

Sheppard's algorithm for finding Euler parameters using rotation matrices can be found in the Modeling and Simulation text book. Written out in code it is:

Sheppard's algorithm

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function [theta, k] = R_to_k_and_theta(R)
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r11 = R(1, 1);  
r22 = R(2, 2);  
r33 = R(3, 3);  
r00 = r11 + r22 + r33 % Trace of R  
% I didn't really figure this one out  
end
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