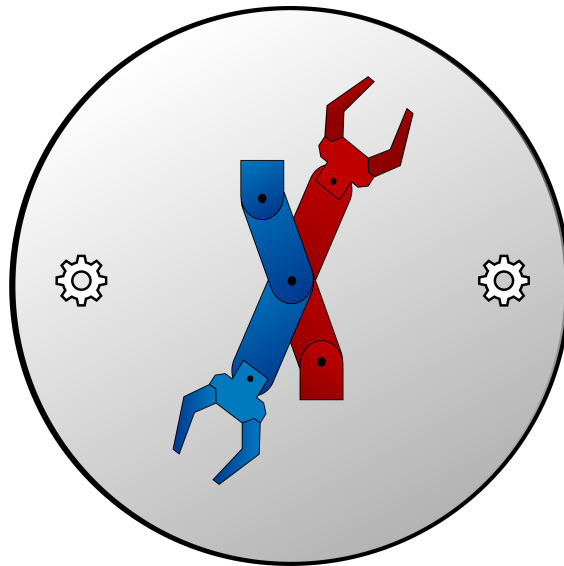


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1 Introduction

2 Requirements

- The system shall cost the end-user no more than \$1000.
- The system shall be fully dexterous without being kinematically redundant.
- The system end-effector shall maintain a positional accuracy magnitude of ± 1 mm and an orientation accuracy of $\pm 5^\circ$ eigen angle from the base frame.
- The system end-effector shall maintain a pose repeatability magnitude between 0.1 - 1.5 mm for the position and $\pm 4^\circ$ eigen angle from the base frame for the orientation.
- The system's reachable workspace shall be a hemisphere with a radius of 300-700 mm.
- The system's dexterous workspace shall contain a hemispherical shell within the reachable workspace with a thickness of 280 mm.
- The system shall have a removable end-effector capable of picking and placing a low-odor chisel tip Expo dry erase marker.
- The system shall be able to write with a low-odor chisel tip Expo dry erase marker.
- The system shall be open source.
- The system shall be capable of operating given only desired end-effector cartesian coordinates specified with respect to the base frame.

3 Conceptual Design

4 Specifications

4.1 Introduction

With the intention of making robotics education more accessible, The Manipulator for Educational Institutions with Open Source Integrated Systems (MEIOSIS) intends to provide high school educators and robot enthusiasts with a low cost manipulator. The system should be usable by novice students. It should also be modifiable to create a sustainably increased understanding of robotics. While MEIOSIS may not fully emulate industrial manipulators, it aims to provide more students with access to robotics education.

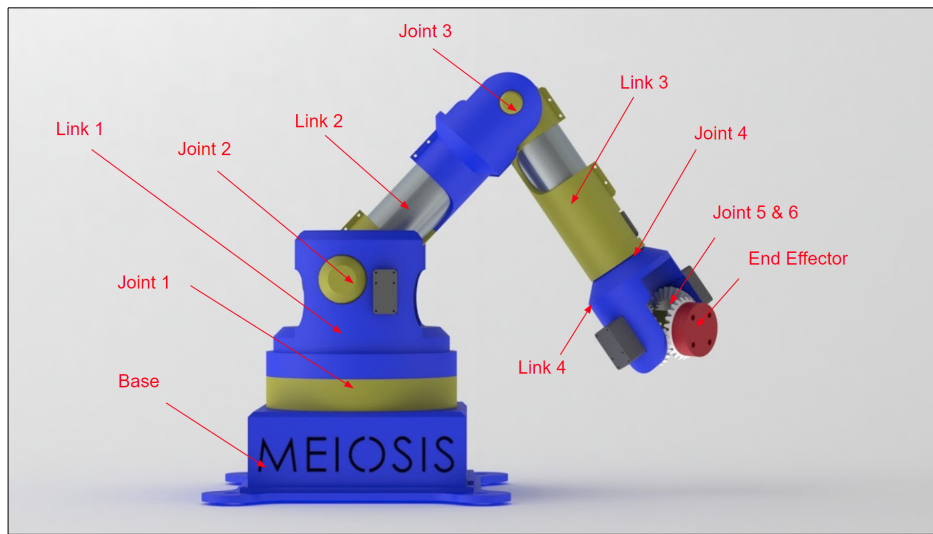


Figure 1: Overview of Physical System

The design seen in *Figure 1* is based on our conceptual design. It features four links and six joints for rotation and will be referenced throughout this document. The base of the manipulator and end-effector can also be seen in the figure.

4.2 Design Requirements

The specifications of the system are strictly based on the requirements defined previously. The requirements are divided into two primary categories, hardware and software.

4.3 Hardware

The following requirements and specifications are hardware specific and dictate the physical constraints the system must adhere to.

4.3.1 The system shall cost the end-user no more than \$1000.

4.3.1.a The cost for the MEIOSIS team to develop the manipulator shall cost no more than \$800.

4.3.2 The system shall be fully dexterous without being kinematically redundant.

4.3.2.a The system shall consist of six rotational joints connected by four links. The last three joints will create a spherical wrist.

As defined [1], “A manipulator having more than six DOF is referred to as a kinematically redundant manipulator (5).” A manipulator with less than six degrees of freedom will not be fully dexterous within its workspace. *Figure 3* (see subsection 4.3.6, p. 5) shows a six degree-of-freedom rotary manipulator with its coordinate frames in zeroed positions. The joint and link locations are seen in *Figure 1* (see section 4.1, p. 2).

4.3.2.b The system shall have no link offsets.

Link offsets as seen in *Figure 2* are commonly used to avoid singularities. However, having a link offset prevents the manipulator’s dexterous workspace from being a complete hemispherical shell.

As shown in *Figure 2*, the line directly above the first joint of the manipulator is offset such that the axes of the other joints are unable to become collinear with the base axis; this prevents singularity but causes a void in the dexterous workspace.

4.3.3 The system end effector shall maintain a positional accuracy magnitude of ± 1 mm and an orientation accuracy of $\pm 5^\circ$ eigen angle from the base frame.

To ensure that the robot has educational value, the accuracy must be defined so that any desired positions and movements are achieved.

4.3.3.a The system shall accommodate a process in which the end user can calibrate the end effector position and orientation to within 0.5 mm and 1 degree of the manipulator’s

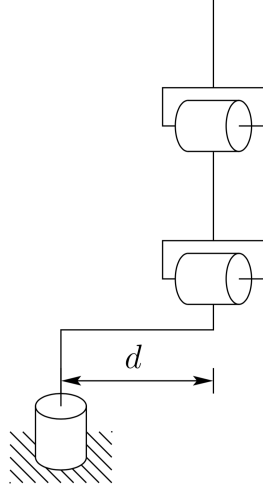


Figure 2: Elbow Manipulator Configuration with Link Offset [1]

precision.

The addition of a calibration process allows the removal of any systematic errors, such as drift. The theoretical limit of the calibration process is the difference between the precision and accuracy metrics of the system.

4.3.4 The system end effector shall maintain a pose repeatability magnitude between 0.1—1.5 mm for the position and $\pm 4^\circ$ eigen angle from the base frame for the orientation.

4.3.4.a Joint one and two of the system shall possess an angle error of no more than .025 degrees.

Being that joint one and two are the first two rotational elements in the system, their error will propagate the most to the end effector's position.

4.3.4.b Joint three of the system shall possess an angle error of no more than .03 degrees.

Since joint three is closer to the end effector it's error will not propagate as severely throughout the system.

4.3.4.c Joints four, five, and six shall possess an angle error of no more than .29 degrees.

The spherical wrist is the closest to the end effector's final position and therefore has the least error propagation.

4.3.5 The system's reachable workspace shall be a hemisphere with a radius of 300-700 mm.

This workspace will provide enough movement to manipulate objects in order to perform basic tasks.

4.3.5.a The length of link one, two, three, four, and the wrist shall be 220.8 mm, 250 mm, 200 mm, 80 mm, and 52.5 mm respectively.

This results in a total height of 220.8 mm with a total reach of 582.5 mm in the zeroed configuration as shown in the configuration represented in *Figure 3*.

4.3.6 The system's dexterous workspace shall contain a hemispherical shell within the reachable workspace with a thickness of 280 mm.

This workspace will provide enough movement to manipulate objects in order to perform basic tasks. 280mm is slightly greater than the length of letter paper.

4.3.6.a The rotational limit of joint one, two, three, four, five, and six shall be $\pm 180^\circ$, -9.7° to 177.5° , -150.6° to -19.3° , $\pm 180^\circ$, -180° to -1.6° , and $\pm 180^\circ$ respectively.

The angles stated are with respect to the kinematic model shown in *Figure 3*. To be fully dexterous within our 280 mm dexterous workspace the manipulator must have the joint angles specified above. The joint limitations were calculated by iteratively verifying the orientation about every point within the quarter hemisphere cross section seen in *Figure 5* (see Appendix, p. 17).

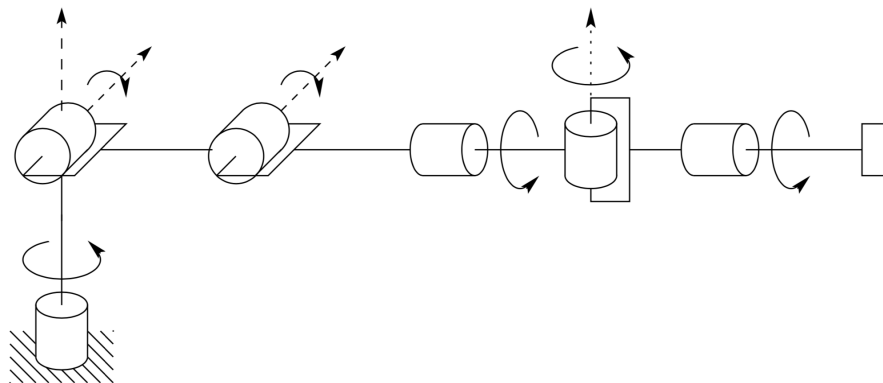


Figure 3: Kinematic Model Representing Zeroed Configuration [1]

4.3.7 The system shall have a removable end effector capable of picking and placing a low-odor chisel tip Expo dry erase marker.

This creates a robot capable of performing a variety of basic tasks, which enhances its educational value.

4.3.7.a The system shall use a parallel gripper that can close to 18mm.

The diameter of a low-odor chisel tip Expo dry erase marker is approximately 18 mm.

4.3.7.b The end effector shall attach to the manipulator using screws configured in a pattern that can accommodate a Dynamixel AX-12A servo.

It is expected that a majority of end effector styles will have to accommodate for a servo to facilitate actuation, therefore a pattern was chosen to standardize the mounting.

4.3.8 The system shall be able to write with a low-odor chisel tip Expo dry erase marker.

4.3.8.a The end effector shall be able to support 0.004 Newton meter moments about the axes normal to its gripping surfaces.

The coefficient of friction between the Expo marker and paper can be approximated and given the weight of an Expo marker the approximate grip strength of the end effector can be calculated.

4.4 Software

The following requirements and specifications are software specific and determine the attributes of the operating system.

4.4.1 The system shall be open source.

This will create an easily obtainable, low cost method of distributing the system's source code, which may be modified for personal use.

4.4.1.a The software shall be hosted publicly on an online repository and maintain an MIT license for distribution.

This allows the end-user to freely download and modify the code without licensing. The MIT license disregards any legal obligation to code upkeep and documentation by the original author.

4.4.2 The system shall be capable of operating given only desired end effector cartesian coordinates specified with respect to the base frame.

4.4.2.a The system shall have a user interface capable of accepting the end-effector's desired cartesian position and Euler angle orientation as a six element row vector.

The system software interface facilitates an untrained user to operate without the advanced knowledge of the system's kinematics.

4.4.2.b The system shall be capable of performing floating point arithmetic.

The solution for the inverse kinematics requires the ability to perform high level arithmetic with little error.

5 Preliminary Design

5.1 CAD

5.2 Forward Kinematics

The forward kinematics of the manipulator are described by the equations below, where the reference coordinate frames are given by Figure (4).

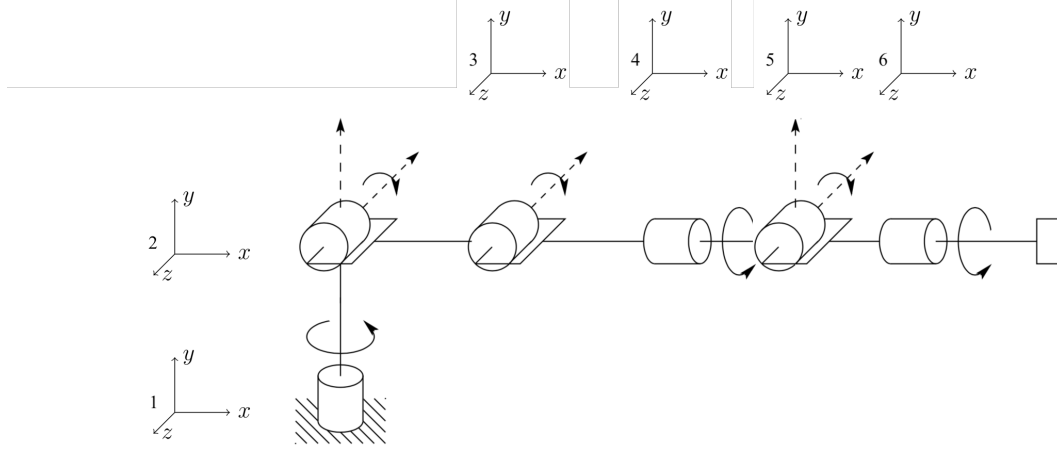


Figure 4: Coordinate Systems

Given the lengths of each of the manipulator links,

$${}^I_B r_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \ell_b \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^1_1 r_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \ell_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^2_2 r_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \ell_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^3_3 r_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \ell_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^4_4 r_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \ell_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^5_5 r_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \ell_5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The position of each link relative to the inertial frame is given as:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^I_B r_1 &= {}^B r_1 & {}^I_B r_2 &= r_1 + {}^I T_{11}^1 r_2 & {}^I_B r_3 &= r_2 + {}^I T_{22}^2 r_3 \\ {}^I_B r_4 &= r_3 + {}^I T_{33}^3 r_4 & {}^I_B r_5 &= r_4 + {}^I T_{44}^4 r_5 & {}^I_B r_6 &= r_5 + {}^I T_{55}^5 r_6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}^I_B r_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \ell_b \end{bmatrix} & {}^I_B r_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \ell_b + \ell_1 \end{bmatrix} & {}^I_B r_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} -\ell_2 c_{\theta_2} s_{\theta_1} \\ \ell_2 c_{\theta_{12}} \\ \ell_b + \ell_1 + \ell_2 s_{\theta_2} \end{bmatrix} & {}^I_B r_4 &= \begin{bmatrix} -s_{\theta_1}(\ell_3 c_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_2 c_{\theta_2}) \\ c_{\theta_1}(\ell_3 c_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_2 c_{\theta_2}) \\ \ell_1 + \ell_b + \ell_3 s_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_2 s_{\theta_2} \end{bmatrix} \\ {}^I_B r_5 &= \begin{bmatrix} -s_{\theta_1}(\ell_3 c_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_4 c_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_2 c_{\theta_2}) \\ c_{\theta_1}(\ell_3 c_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_4 c_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_2 c_{\theta_2}) \\ \ell_1 + \ell_b + \ell_3 s_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_4 s_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_2 s_{\theta_2} \end{bmatrix} \\ {}^I_B r_6 &= \begin{bmatrix} \ell_5 c_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_4} s_{\theta_5} - \ell_4 c_{\theta_{23}} s_{\theta_1} - \ell_2 c_{\theta_2} s_{\theta_1} - \ell_5 c_{\theta_{23}} c_{\theta_5} s_{\theta_1} - \ell_3 c_{\theta_{23}} s_{\theta_1} \\ + \ell_5 c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_4} s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_3} s_{\theta_5} + \ell_5 c_{\theta_3} c_{\theta_4} s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} s_{\theta_5} \\ \ell_5 (s_{\theta_5} (s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_4} - c_{\theta_4} (c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} s_{\theta_3} + c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_3} s_{\theta_2})) - c_{\theta_5} (c_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} s_{\theta_3} - c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3})) \\ - \ell_3 (c_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} s_{\theta_3} - c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3}) - \ell_4 (c_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} s_{\theta_3} - c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} c_{\theta_3}) + \ell_2 c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} \\ \ell_1 + \ell_b + \ell_3 s_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_4 s_{\theta_{23}} + \ell_2 s_{\theta_2} + \frac{\ell_5 c_{\theta_{23}} s_{\theta_{45}}}{2} + \ell_5 s_{\theta_{23}} c_{\theta_5} - \frac{\ell_5 s_{\theta_4 - \theta_5} c_{\theta_{23}}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Given the direction cosine matrices,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rot}x(\theta) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ 0 & \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{rot}y(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ 0 & \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{rot}z(\theta) &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The orientation of each link with respect to the inertial frame is given as:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^I T_1 &= \text{rot}z(\theta_1) \\ {}^I T_2 &= \text{rot}z(\theta_1) \text{rot}x(\theta_2) \\ {}^I T_3 &= \text{rot}z(\theta_1) \text{rot}x(\theta_2) \text{rot}x(\theta_3) \\ {}^I T_4 &= \text{rot}z(\theta_1) \text{rot}x(\theta_2) \text{rot}x(\theta_3) \text{rot}y(\theta_4) \\ {}^I T_5 &= \text{rot}z(\theta_1) \text{rot}x(\theta_2) \text{rot}x(\theta_3) \text{rot}y(\theta_4) \text{rot}x(\theta_5) \\ {}^I T_6 &= \text{rot}z(\theta_1) \text{rot}x(\theta_2) \text{rot}x(\theta_3) \text{rot}y(\theta_4) \text{rot}x(\theta_5) \text{rot}y(\theta_6) \\ {}^I T_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1} & -s_{\theta_1} & 0 \\ s_{\theta_1} & c_{\theta_1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^I T_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1} & -c_{\theta_2}s_{\theta_1} & s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_2} \\ s_{\theta_1} & c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_2} & -c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_2} \\ 0 & s_{\theta_2} & c_{\theta_2} \end{bmatrix} \quad {}^I T_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1} & -c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1} & s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1} \\ s_{\theta_1} & c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1} & -s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1} \\ 0 & s_{\theta_{23}} & c_{\theta_{23}} \end{bmatrix} \\ {}^I T_4 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} & -c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1} & c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1} \\ c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} & c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1} & s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4} \\ -c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_4} & s_{\theta_{23}} & c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4} \end{bmatrix} \\ {}^I T_5 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} & s_{\theta_5}(c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1}) - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_5}s_{\theta_1} & c_{\theta_5}(c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1}) + c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_5} \\ c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} & s_{\theta_5}(s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4}) + c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_5} & c_{\theta_5}(s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4}) - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_5} \\ -c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_4} & s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_5} + c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_5} & c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}c_{\theta_5} - s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_5} \end{bmatrix} \\ {}^I T_6 &= \begin{bmatrix} {}^I T_{6(1,1)} & {}^I T_{6(1,2)} & {}^I T_{6(1,3)} \\ {}^I T_{6(2,1)} & {}^I T_{6(2,2)} & {}^I T_{6(2,3)} \\ {}^I T_{6(3,1)} & {}^I T_{6(3,2)} & {}^I T_{6(3,3)} \end{bmatrix} \\ {}^I T_{6(1,1)} &= c_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4}) - s_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_5}(c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1}) + c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_5}) \\ {}^I T_{6(1,2)} &= s_{\theta_5}(c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1}) - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_5}s_{\theta_1} \\ {}^I T_{6(1,3)} &= c_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_5}(c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1}) + c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_5}) + s_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4}) \\ {}^I T_{6(2,1)} &= c_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4}) - s_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_5}(s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4}) - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_5}) \\ {}^I T_{6(2,2)} &= s_{\theta_5}(s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4}) + c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_5} \\ {}^I T_{6(2,3)} &= s_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_1} + s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4}) + c_{\theta_6}(c_{\theta_5}(s_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_4} - s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}c_{\theta_4}) - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_1}s_{\theta_5}) \\ {}^I T_{6(3,1)} &= s_{\theta_6}(s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_5} - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}c_{\theta_5}) - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_6}s_{\theta_4} \\ {}^I T_{6(3,2)} &= s_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_5} + c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_5} \\ {}^I T_{6(3,3)} &= c_{\theta_6}(s_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_5} - c_{\theta_{23}}c_{\theta_4}c_{\theta_5}) - c_{\theta_{23}}s_{\theta_4}s_{\theta_6} \end{aligned}$$

5.3 Velocity Kinematics

5.4 Inverse Kinematics

The inverse kinematics can be calculated given desired position and orientation vectors, o and R , respectively.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_c & y_c & z_c \end{bmatrix} = o, \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse Position :

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_1 &= \text{atan2}(x_c, y_c) - \text{atan2}\left(d, \sqrt{x_c^2 + y_c^2 - d^2}\right) - \pi/2 \\ \theta_2 &= \text{atan2}\left(z_c - \ell_1, \sqrt{x_c^2 + y_c^2 - d^2}\right) - \text{atan2}(\ell_3 s_3, \ell_2 + \ell_3 c_3) \\ \theta_3 &= \text{atan2}(-\sqrt{1 - D^2}, D) \\ \text{where } D &\equiv \frac{x_c^2 + y_c^2 - d^2 + (z_c - \ell_1)^2 - \ell_2^2 - \ell_3^2}{2\ell_2\ell_3} \end{aligned}$$

Inverse Orientation :

$$\begin{aligned} {}^I T_3 &= \text{rotz}(\theta_1) \text{rotx}(\theta_2) \text{rotx}(\theta_3) \\ {}^3 T_6 &= {}^I T_3^T R \\ \theta_4 &= \text{atan2}\left({}^3 T_{6(1,2)}, {}^3 T_{6(3,2)}\right) \\ \theta_5 &= \text{atan2}\left({}^3 T_{6(3,2)}/c_4, {}^3 T_{6(2,2)}\right) \\ \theta_6 &= \text{atan2}\left({}^3 T_{6(2,1)}, -{}^3 T_{6(2,3)}\right) \end{aligned}$$

5.5 Equations of Motion

$$H(\gamma)\ddot{\gamma} + d(\gamma, \dot{\gamma}) + G(\gamma) + B(\dot{\gamma}) + C\text{sgn}(\dot{\gamma}) = F \quad (1)$$

$$J_B = \begin{bmatrix} {}^I T_B(:, 3)^T \cdot \frac{\partial}{{\partial \gamma}} {}^I T_B(:, 2) \\ {}^I T_B(:, 1)^T \cdot \frac{\partial}{{\partial \gamma}} {}^I T_B(:, 3) \\ {}^I T_B(:, 2)^T \cdot \frac{\partial}{{\partial \gamma}} {}^I T_B(:, 1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_B \omega_I \\ {}^I_B \dot{r}_B \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^B_B \Gamma = {}^B_B r_{cm} m_b, \quad \dot{S}(\omega) r = (\omega \times r)$$

$$G(\gamma) \equiv \left(\frac{\partial U({}^I r(\gamma))}{{\partial \gamma}} \right)^T$$

$$U_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & g \end{bmatrix} \left({}^I_B r_B m_B + {}^I T_B {}^B_B \Gamma \right)$$

$$H(\gamma) = \sum_B^N J_B(\gamma)^T \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_B J & \dot{S}({}^B_B \Gamma)^I T_B^T \\ {}^I T_B \dot{S}({}^B_B \Gamma)^T & m_B I \end{bmatrix} J_B(\gamma) \quad (2)$$

$$d(\gamma, \dot{\gamma}) = \sum_B^N J_B(\gamma)^T \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_B J & \dot{S}({}^B_B \Gamma)^I T_B^T \\ {}^I T_B \dot{S}({}^B_B \Gamma)^T & m_B I \end{bmatrix} \dot{J}_B(\gamma, \dot{\gamma}) \dot{\gamma} + J_B(\gamma)^T \begin{bmatrix} {}^B_B \omega_I \times {}^B_B J_B^B \omega_I \\ {}^I T_B \left({}^B_B \omega_I \times ({}^B_B \omega_I \times {}^B_B \Gamma) \right) \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

5.6 Open-Loop Simulation

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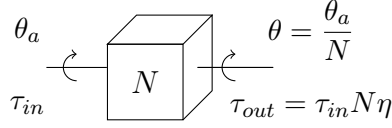
Given robot dynamics described by $H(\gamma)\ddot{\gamma} + n(\gamma, \dot{\gamma}) = \tau$, the torque, τ , provided by the servo motors is necessary to solve the closed loop dynamics of the system. Assuming the servo is driven by a D.C. motor with proportional derivative control,

$$\tau_a = Ki_a = J_a\ddot{\theta}_a + b_a\dot{\theta}_a + \tau_L \quad (4)$$

Where τ_a is the actuator torque, K is the back-EMF constant, i_a is the motor current, J_a is the armature inertia, θ_a , $\dot{\theta}_a$, $\ddot{\theta}_a$ is the motor position and it's first and second time derivatives, respectively, b_a is the viscous friction coefficient, and τ_L is the torque available for the actuator to do work. The basic equation for a motor is known to be:

$$V_a = i_a R_a + K\dot{\theta}_a \quad (5)$$

Where V_a is the voltage applied to the actuator and R_a is the armature resistance. Given a gearbox with $^{in}/_{out}$ ratio N and efficiency η ,



The motor equation (4) can be expressed in the output coordinates:

$$Ki_a = J_a N \ddot{\theta} + b_a N \dot{\theta} + \frac{\tau}{N\eta}$$

Substituting into equation (5) and solving for i_a :

$$\begin{aligned} i_a &= \frac{J_a N}{K} \ddot{\theta} + b_a N \dot{\theta} + \frac{\tau}{N\eta} \\ V_a &= \frac{R_a J_a N}{K} \ddot{\theta} + \frac{R_a b_a N}{K} \dot{\theta} + \frac{R_a}{K N \eta} \tau + K N \dot{\theta} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Assuming P.D. control, $V_a = K_p(\theta - \theta_d) + K_d\dot{\theta}$, where θ_d is the desired orientation of the actuator, the following solution is found by setting the P.D. solution equal to (6). After collecting like terms:

$$\frac{R_a J_a N}{K} \ddot{\theta} + \left(\frac{R_a J_a N}{K} - K_d + K N \right) \dot{\theta} - K_p \theta = -K_p \theta_d - \frac{R_a}{K N \eta} \tau \quad (7)$$

The following parameters of the system can be obtained by applying a step input to the system with $\tau = 0$ and measuring the characteristics of its response. Denoting ζ as the damping ratio and ω_n as the natural frequency of the system,

$$\% \text{ Overshoot} = \left(\frac{\theta_{max} - \theta_{ss}}{\theta_{ss}} \right) \times 100, \quad \zeta = \frac{-\ln(\%OS/100)}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + \ln^2(\%OS/100)}}, \quad \omega_n = \frac{\pi}{T_p \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}}$$

Given θ_{max} , θ_{ss} , and T_p as measured parameters of the system's max output, steady state, and time to peak, respectively.

Refactoring equation (7) and equating with the general solution for a second order system given by $\ddot{\theta} + 2\zeta\omega_n\dot{\theta} + \omega_n^2\theta = \omega_n^2\theta_d$,

$$2\zeta\omega_n = \frac{b_a}{J_a} - \frac{KK_d}{R_aJ_aN} + \frac{K^2}{R_aJ_a}, \quad \omega_n^2 = \frac{-KK_p}{R_aJ_aN} \quad (8)$$

Performing a similar experiment as previously described, except with a known inertial load $\tau = J_m\ddot{\theta}$, the following parameters can be found:

$$\alpha_m \equiv 2\zeta\omega_n = \frac{R_ab_aN^2\eta - KK_dN\eta + K^2N^2\eta}{R_aJ_aN^2\eta + R_aJ_m}, \quad \beta_m \equiv \omega_n = -\frac{KK_pN\eta}{R_aJ_aN^2\eta + R_aJ_m} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -(\alpha_1J_1 + \beta_1J_1) \\ 1 & -(\alpha_2J_2 + \beta_2J_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{R_ab_aN^2\eta - KK_dN\eta + K^2N^2\eta - KK_pN\eta}{R_aJ_aN^2\eta} \\ 1 \\ \frac{1}{J_aN^2\eta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 + \beta_1 \\ \alpha_2 + \beta_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

Finally, with multiple datasets (varying inertial loads, J_m) the coefficients of the second order system equation can be found using the least squares solution of (10).

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I Appendix

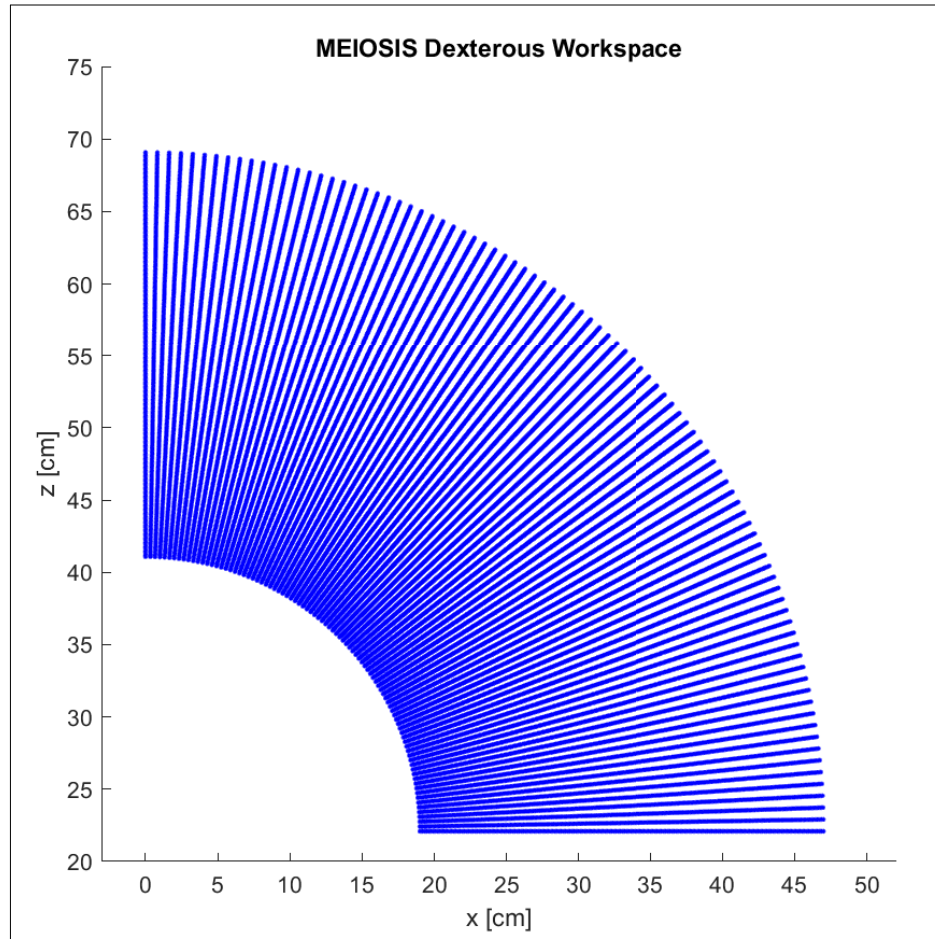


Figure 5: Cross Section of Dexterous Workspace Quadrant

i Drawings

ii Salient Code

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