

EECS/BioE C106A/206A

Introduction to Robotics

Lost Section 4

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Velocities and Twists

- The spatial velocity: \hat{V}_{ab}^s
- The body velocity: \hat{V}_{ab}^b
- Adjoint matrix: Ad_g such that

$$V_{ab}^s = \text{Ad}_g V_{ab}^b$$

Linear Algebra and Adjoint Matrix

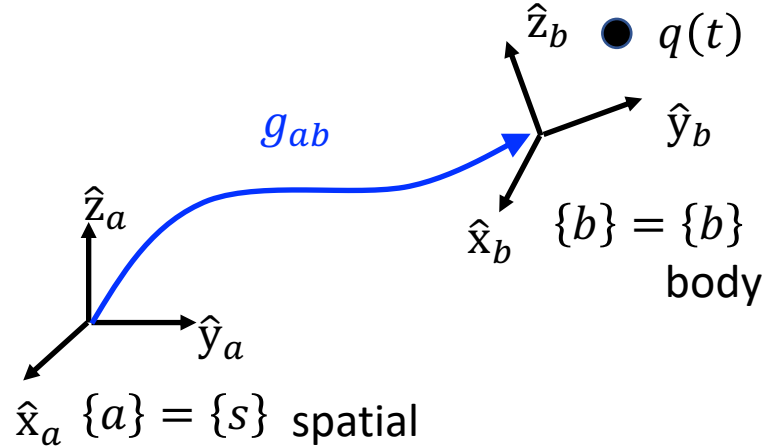
$$R(\omega_1 \times \omega_2) = (R\omega_1) \times (R\omega_2)$$

$$R\hat{\omega}R^T = (R\omega)^\wedge$$

$$g\hat{\xi}g^{-1} = (\text{Ad}_g\xi)^\wedge$$

$$\text{Ad}_g = \begin{bmatrix} R & \hat{p}R \\ 0 & R \end{bmatrix}$$

Velocities and Twist Motion



$q(t)$: moving point

$q_a(t)$: coordinate of the point w.r.t. $\{a\}$

q_b : coordinate of the point w.r.t. $\{b\}$

$v_{q_a}(t)$: coordinate of the velocity of the point w.r.t. $\{a\}$

$v_{q_b}(t)$: coordinate of the velocity of the point w.r.t. $\{b\}$

Definition of the spatial velocity:

$$v_{q_a}(t) = \hat{V}_{ab}^s q_a(t)$$

In the book, we have $\hat{V}_{ab}^s = \dot{g}_{ab} g_{ab}^{-1}$.

Definition of the body velocity:

$$v_{q_b}(t) = \hat{V}_{ab}^b q_b$$

In the book, we have $\hat{V}_{ab}^b = g_{ab}^{-1} \dot{g}_{ab}$.

$$V_{ab}^s = \text{Ad}_{g_{ab}} V_{ab}^b$$

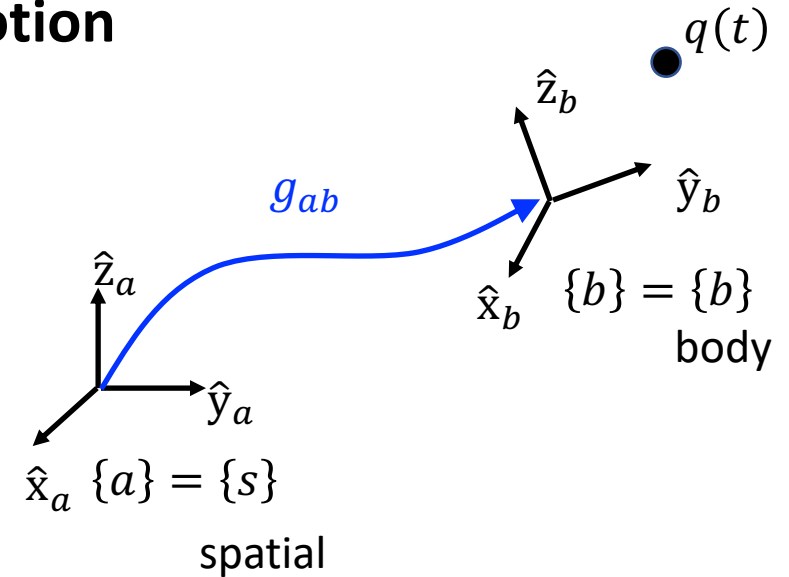
Velocities and Twist Motion

Definition of the spatial velocity:

$$v_{q_a}(t) = \hat{V}_{ab}^s q_a(t)$$

EX. Constant twist motion between the two frames: $g_{ab} = e^{\hat{\xi}\theta(t)}$

$$q_a(t) = e^{\hat{\xi}\theta(t)} q_b$$



Then, the velocity of q_a becomes

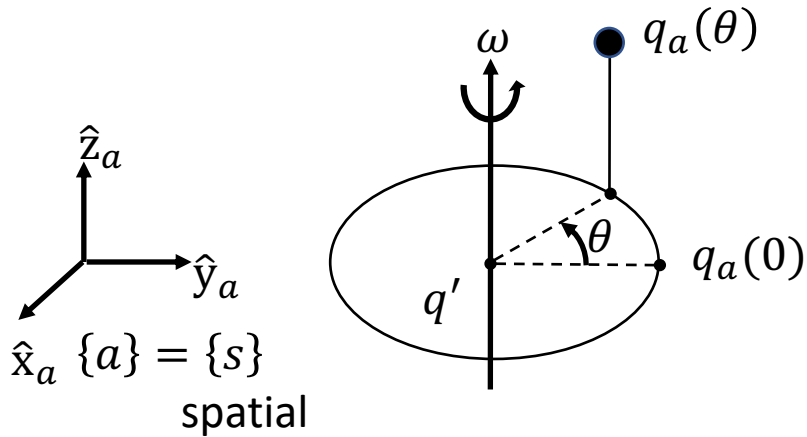
$$v_{q_a}(t) = \hat{\xi}\dot{\theta}e^{\hat{\xi}\theta(t)} q_b = \hat{\xi}\dot{\theta} q_a(t)$$

Here, we observe that $\hat{\xi}\dot{\theta} = \hat{V}_{ab}^s \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$ and $\xi\dot{\theta} = V_{ab}^s = \begin{bmatrix} v_{ab}^s \\ \omega_{ab}^s \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^6$.

The spatial velocity is the multiplication of the twist and the angular speed.

$$V_{ab}^s = \xi\dot{\theta}$$

Short Review: Screw Motion and Twist



q' : the center of the rotation, or a point on the rotation axis.
 ω : the direction of the rotation axis.

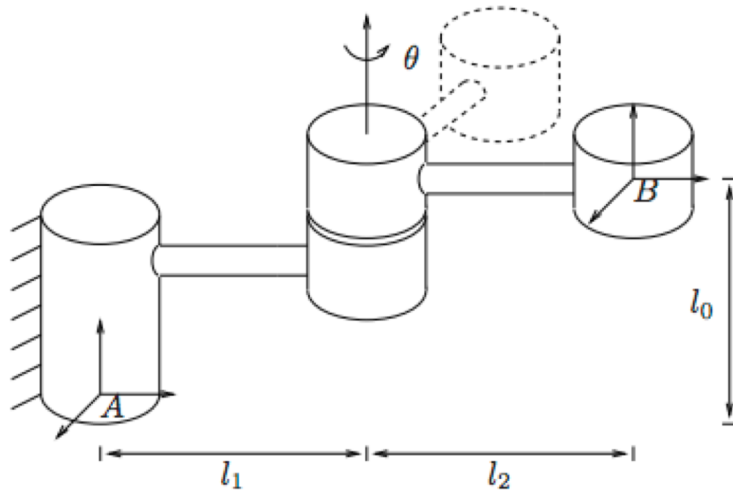
We can find the twist $\xi = [v, \omega]^T$ using the given q' and ω .

$$v = -\omega \times q' + h\omega$$

By the screw motion, we can find the spatial velocity V_{ab}^s using q' and ω .

$$V_{ab}^s = \xi \dot{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} -\omega \times q' + h\omega \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}$$

Example: MLS example 2.5 in pg 56 - 57



Spatial velocity: find V_{ab}^S

$$q' = [0, l_1, 0]^T$$

$$\omega' = [0, 0, 1]^T$$

$$v' = -\omega' \times q' = [l_1, 0, 0]^T$$

$$\text{Then, } V_{ab}^S = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}$$

Body velocity: find V_{ab}^b

$$q^\dagger = [0, -l_2, 0]^T$$

$$\omega^\dagger = [0, 0, 1]^T$$

$$v^\dagger = -\omega^\dagger \times q^\dagger = [-l_2, 0, 0]^T$$

$$\text{Then, } V_{ab}^b = \begin{bmatrix} -l_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}$$

Find q^\dagger and ω^\dagger w.r.t. the frame B.