



# Quick Summary of Robot Motion

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# Basic Linear Algebra

- **2D Translation**

- **Definition:**

Translation in 2D refers to shifting an object from one position to another in a two-dimensional plane without changing its orientation, shape, or size.

- **Mathematical Representation:**

If a point  $P(x, y)$  is translated by  $(t_x, t_y)$ , the new point  $P'(x', y')$  is:

$$x' = x + t_x, y' = y + t_y$$

- **Matrix Form (Homogeneous Coordinates):**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$





# Basic Linear Algebra

- **2D Transformation**

- **Definition:**

A transformation in 2D includes operations like **translation, rotation, scaling, reflection, and shearing** applied to objects in a 2D plane.

- **General Transformation Matrix:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & t_x \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- where  $a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{21}, a_{22}$  define rotation, scaling, and shear, and  $t_x, t_y$  define translation.

- For example, for a pure rotation by angle  $\theta$ :

$$a_{11} = \cos \theta, \quad a_{12} = -\sin \theta, \quad a_{21} = \sin \theta, \quad a_{22} = \cos \theta$$





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- **3D Translation:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **3D Transformation:** Combines rotation and translation:

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} R_{3 \times 3} & t_{3 \times 1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **3D rotation matrix  $R$  is:**

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Each  $r_{ij}$  is an element of the matrix, and its value depends on the chosen rotation representation (Euler angles, axis-angle, etc.).





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- **For Euler Angles (Yaw-Pitch-Roll, Z-Y-X):**

- If:

- $\psi$  = yaw (rotation about Z)
- $\theta$  = pitch (rotation about Y)
- $\phi$  = roll (rotation about X)

- Then:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi \cos \theta & \cos \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi - \sin \psi \cos \phi & \cos \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \sin \psi \sin \phi \\ \sin \psi \cos \theta & \sin \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi + \cos \psi \cos \phi & \sin \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi - \cos \psi \sin \phi \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Differential Drive Robot Basics

- A **differential drive robot** has:
  - Two independently driven wheels (left and right).
  - A fixed axle length  $L$  between the wheels.
  - Wheel radius  $r$ .
- The robot's configuration in the plane is:
$$q = [x, y, \theta]^T$$
- where:
  - $(x, y)$  = position of the robot's center in the global frame.
  - $\theta$  = heading angle.





# Euler's Equations for Motion

- **Kinematic Model**

- The linear and angular velocities:

$$v = \frac{r}{2} (\omega_R + \omega_L), \omega = \frac{r}{L} (\omega_R - \omega_L)$$

- The motion equations:

$$\dot{x} = v \cos \theta, \dot{y} = v \sin \theta, \dot{\theta} = \omega$$

- For a small time step  $\Delta t$ :

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \dot{x}_k \Delta t = x_k + v_k \cos \theta_k \Delta t$$

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + \dot{y}_k \Delta t = y_k + v_k \sin \theta_k \Delta t$$

$$\theta_{k+1} = \theta_k + \omega_k \Delta t$$





- Assume
- $r = 0.05 \text{ m}, L = 0.3 \text{ m}$
- $\omega_R = 10 \text{ rad/s}, \omega_L = 8 \text{ rad/s}$
- Initial pose:  $(x_0, y_0, \theta_0) = (0, 0, 0)$
- $\Delta t = 0.1 \text{ s}$
- Compute:
- $v = \frac{0.05}{2} (10 + 8) = 0.45 \text{ m/s}, \omega = \frac{0.05}{0.3} (10 - 8) = 0.333 \text{ rad/s}$
- Update:

$$x_1 = 0 + 0.45 \cos(0) \cdot 0.1 = 0.045,$$

$$y_1 = 0 + 0.45 \sin(0) \cdot 0.1 = 0,$$

$$\theta_1 = 0 + 0.333 \cdot 0.1 = 0.0333 \text{ rad}$$







Euler (dt = 0.1 s):

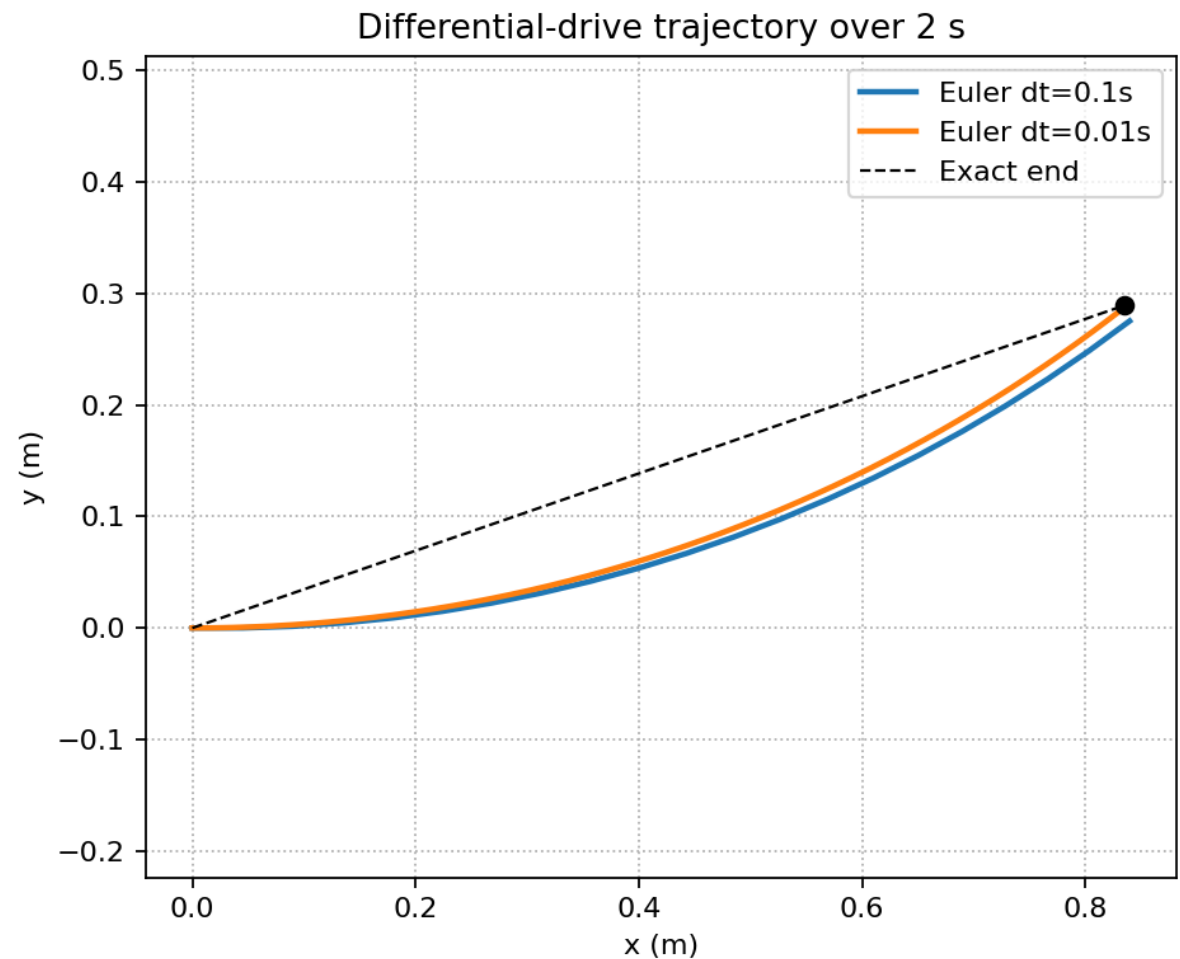
- $x = 0.839539$  m
- $y = 0.275112$  m
- $\theta = 0.666667$  rad  $\approx 38.2^\circ$

Euler (dt = 0.01 s):

- $x = 0.835280$  m
- $y = 0.287661$  m
- $\theta = 0.666667$  rad

Exact (closed-form):

- $x = 0.834799$  m
- $y = 0.289052$  m
- $\theta = 0.666667$  rad





Euler  $dt = 0.1$  s:

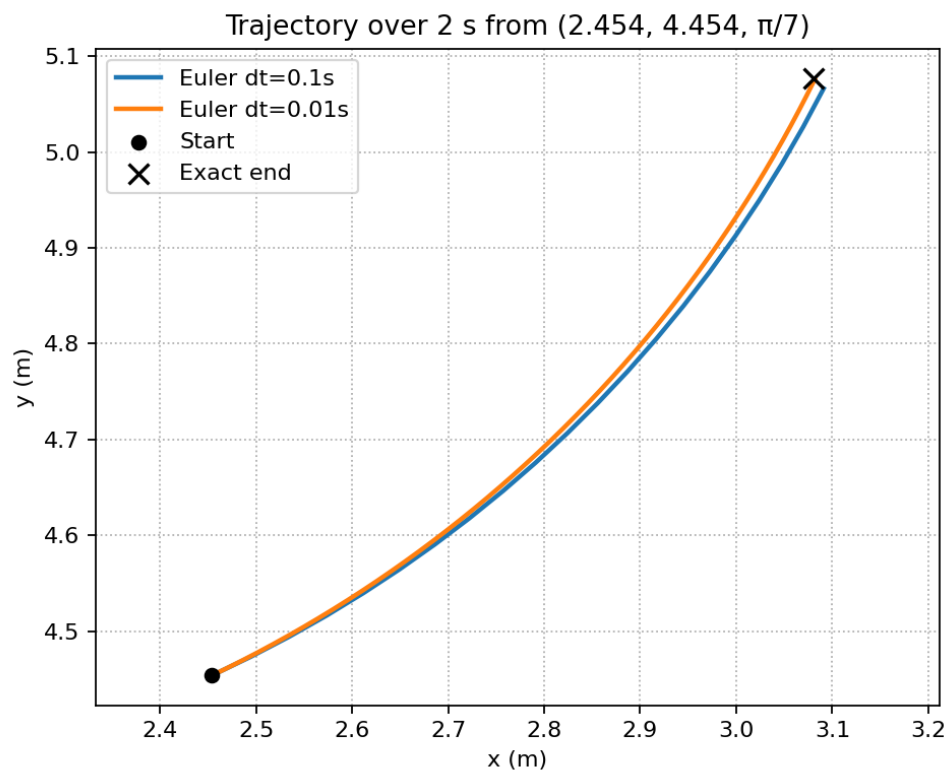
$x = 3.091032$  m,  $y = 5.066130$  m,  $\theta = 1.115466$  rad

Euler  $dt = 0.01$  s:

$x = 3.081750$  m,  $y = 5.075588$  m,  $\theta = 1.115466$  rad

Exact (closed-form):

$$x = 3.080713 \text{ m}, \quad y = 5.076633 \text{ m}, \quad \theta = 1.115466 \text{ rad } (\approx 63.9^\circ)$$





# ICR Equations for Motion

- **Instantaneous Center of Rotation** (also called ICC: Instantaneous Center of Curvature) is the point about which the robot is rotating at any given instant.
- For a differential drive robot, the two wheels usually have different speeds, so the robot follows a circular arc. The center of that circle is the ICR.
- Motion:
  - If both wheels move at the same speed  $\rightarrow$  ICR is at infinity  $\rightarrow$  robot moves straight.
  - If one wheel is stationary  $\rightarrow$  ICR is at the stationary wheel  $\rightarrow$  robot pivots around that wheel.
  - If wheels move in opposite directions  $\rightarrow$  ICR is between the wheels  $\rightarrow$  robot spins in place.





# ICR Equations

- Let:
- $v_L, v_R$  = linear velocities of left and right wheels
- $L$  = distance between wheels
- $v$  = linear velocity of the robot's midpoint
- $\omega$  = angular velocity of the robot
- $R$  = distance from the robot's midpoint to the ICR
- Then:

$$v = \frac{v_R + v_L}{2}, \omega = \frac{v_R - v_L}{L}$$

- The ICR radius:

$$R = \frac{v}{\omega} = \frac{\frac{v_R + v_L}{2}}{\frac{v_R - v_L}{L}} = \frac{L}{2} \cdot \frac{v_R + v_L}{v_R - v_L}$$





# Pose Update Using ICR

- If  $\omega \neq 0$ :

$$x_{new} = x + R[\sin(\theta + \omega \Delta t) - \sin \theta]$$

$$y_{new} = y - R[\cos(\theta + \omega \Delta t) - \cos \theta]$$

$$\theta_{new} = \theta + \omega \Delta t$$

- If  $\omega = 0$  (straight motion):

$$x_{new} = x + v \cos \theta \Delta t, y_{new} = y + v \sin \theta \Delta t$$





- **Example**

$$L = 0.3 \text{ m}, r = 0.05 \text{ m}$$

$$\omega_R = 10 \text{ rad/s}, \omega_L = 8 \text{ rad/s}$$

- So:

$$v_R = r\omega_R = 0.5 \text{ m/s}, v_L = r\omega_L = 0.4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = 0.45 \text{ m/s}, \omega = \frac{0.5 - 0.4}{0.3} = 0.333 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$R = \frac{0.45}{0.333} \approx 1.35 \text{ m}$$

- **Final Pose ICR Equations:**

$$x = 3.0807 \text{ m}, y = 5.0766 \text{ m}, \theta = 1.1155 \text{ rad}$$





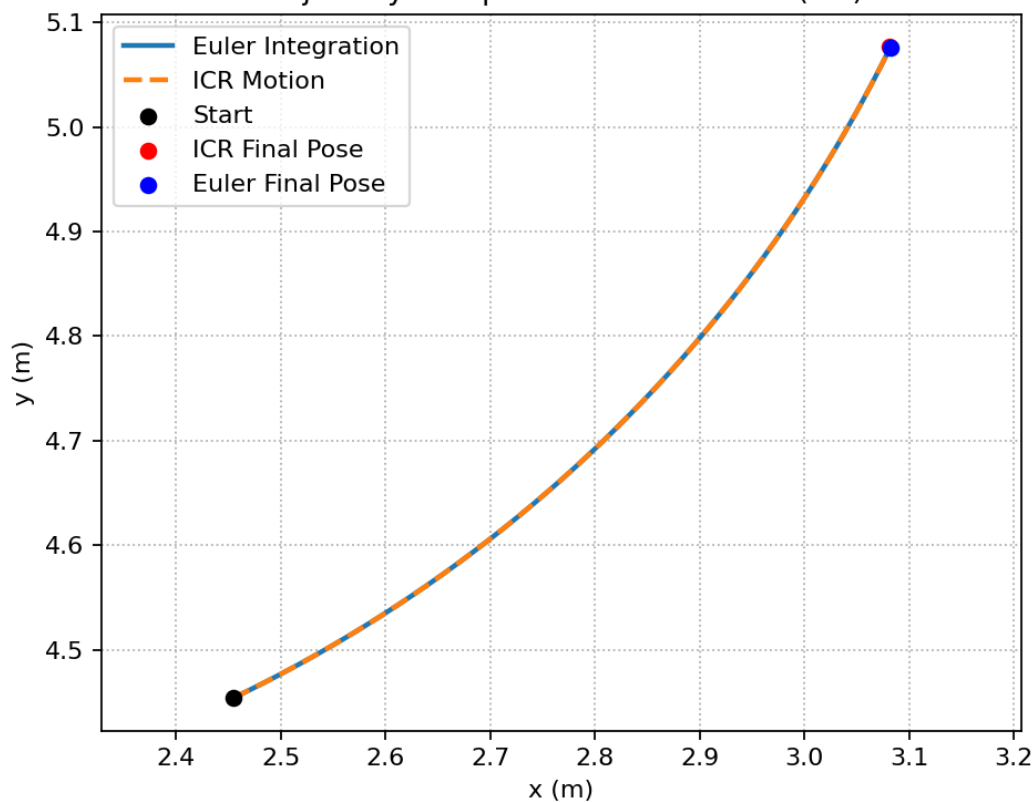
Euler Integration:

$$x = 3.0818 \text{ m}, y = 5.0756 \text{ m}, \theta = 1.1155 \text{ rad } (\approx 63.9^\circ)$$

ICR Equations:

$$x = 3.0807 \text{ m}, y = 5.0766 \text{ m}, \theta = 1.1155 \text{ rad}$$

Trajectory Comparison: Euler vs ICR (2 s)









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