

Hints

Representations of Orientation

Task 1.

$$\text{a) } \underline{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Theta = \text{atan2}[\sqrt{3}, -1] = \frac{2\pi}{3}, k_x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, k_y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, k_z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Keep in mind: vector \underline{k} has to be normalised!

Task 2.

$$\text{a) } \underline{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & +1 \\ 0 & +1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cos \beta = 0, \beta \text{ chosen as } \frac{\pi}{2} = 90^\circ, \alpha - \gamma = \text{atan2}(-R_{12}, R_{22}) = 0$$

Solution is ambiguous, as the coupling of α and γ cannot be resolved!

Task 3.

- a) If the incremental change of orientation for multiple partial rotations n is supposed to lead to a continuous interpolation, a linearity ($f(a+b) \equiv f(a) + f(b)$) would have to be valid for each step of the interpolation:

$$\underline{RPY}(\alpha_i + \Delta\alpha, \beta_i + \Delta\beta, \gamma_i + \Delta\gamma) \equiv \underline{RPY}(\alpha_i, \beta_i, \gamma_i) \cdot \underline{RPY}(\Delta\alpha, \Delta\beta, \Delta\gamma)$$

$$[\underline{RPY}(\alpha_i + \Delta\alpha, \beta_i + \Delta\beta, \gamma_i + \Delta\gamma)]_{3,1} = -\sin \beta_i \cos \Delta\beta - \cos \beta_i \sin \Delta\beta$$

$$[\underline{RPY}(\alpha_i, \beta_i, \gamma_i) \cdot \underline{RPY}(\Delta\alpha, \Delta\beta, \Delta\gamma)]_{3,1} = -\sin \beta_i \cos \Delta\alpha \cos \Delta\beta + \cos \beta_i \sin \gamma_i \sin \Delta\alpha \cos \Delta\beta - \cos \beta_i \cos \gamma_i \sin \Delta\beta$$

$$\text{b) } \Delta\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (0^\circ + 90^\circ) = +45^\circ, \Delta\beta = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (0^\circ - 90^\circ) = -45^\circ, \Delta\gamma = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (0^\circ - 0^\circ) = 0^\circ$$

$$[\underline{RPY}(-90^\circ + 45^\circ, +90^\circ - 45^\circ, 0^\circ + 0^\circ)]_{3,1} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$[\underline{RPY}(-90^\circ, +90^\circ, 0^\circ) \cdot \underline{RPY}(+45^\circ, -45^\circ, 0^\circ)]_{3,1} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Task 4.

- a) For the conversion quaternion \rightarrow rotation matrix see p. 23 in the lecture notes.

$$\text{b) Rotation axis: } \underline{n} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ angle: } \varphi$$

Rotation axis has to be normalised!

$$\rightarrow \underline{n}_{norm} = \underline{n} \cdot \frac{1}{\|\underline{n}\|}$$

$$\text{Result: } Q_{rot} = \cos\left(\frac{\varphi}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\varphi}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}(i1 + j2 + k3)$$

c) With $\varphi = 45^\circ = 0.7854 \text{ rad}$

$$Q_{rot} = \cos\left(\frac{0.7854}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{0.7854}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} (i1 + j2 + k3) =: \mathbf{q}$$

Given is the position vector $\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

With lecture notes p. 22, eq. (2.40) for the definition of the inverse and with the rules thereafter, the result is:

$$\underline{v}' = \mathbf{q}\underline{v}\mathbf{q}^{-1} = \mathbf{q}\underline{v}\frac{\mathbf{q}^*}{\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^*} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.6437 \\ 1.3361 \\ 0.8947 \end{pmatrix}$$