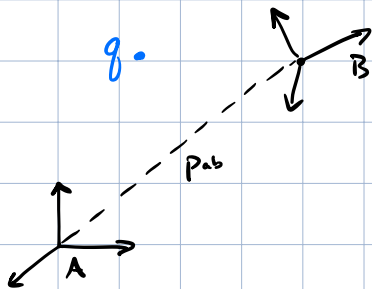


Lesson 5:

- I. General Rigid Motion in \mathbb{R}^3 (MLS 2.3)
- II. Homogeneous Representation (MLS 2.3.1)
- III. Exponential Coordinates for Rigid Motion (MLS 2.3.2)

I. General Rigid Motion in \mathbb{R}^3



• Let $p_{ab} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ be a position vector

$R_{ab} \in SO(3)$ be orientation of B relative to frame A.

• Configuration of B relative to A is (p_{ab}, R_{ab})

Def: Special Euclidean Group or "Big $SE(3)$ "

$$SE(3) := \left\{ (p, R) \mid p \in \mathbb{R}^3, R \in SO(3) \right\} = \mathbb{R}^3 \times SO(3)$$

note: This is in 3D, but can also define for $n \geq 2$

• Let $g = (p, R) \in SE(3)$, by abuse of notation we write $g(q)$ to denote the action of a rigid transformation on a point q .

• Given a point q_b ,

$$q_a = p_{ab} + R_{ab} q_b$$

• For vector $v = s - r$ where $s, r \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$g_*(v) = g(s) - g(r) = Rs - Rr = R(s - r) = Rv$$

\Rightarrow general RBT of vectors is just rotation.

Prop 2.7: Elements of $SE(3)$ represent rigid motion.

Proof: Let $g \in SE(3)$

1) Is length preserved?

$$\|g(p_1) - g(p_2)\| = \|Rp_1 - Rp_2\| = \|p_1 - p_2\| \quad \checkmark$$

for all points p_1, p_2

Because rotations
are length
preserving

2) Is cross product preserved?

$$g_*(v) \times g_*(w) = Rv \times Rw = R(v \times w) = g_*(v \times w)$$

for all vectors v, w \checkmark

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In summary, $SO(3)$ represents rigid rotations.

$SE(3)$ represents general rigid motions.

II. Homogeneous Representation of $SE(3)$

Point $\bar{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ e.g. $\bar{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ for origin

vector $\bar{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Rules of Syntax

- 1.) Sums and differences of vectors are vectors.
- 2.) Sum of a vector and a point is a point.
- 3.) Difference between two points is a vector.
- 4.) Sum of points is meaningless (never see a 2 in 4th row)

• Can now represent $g_{ab} = (p_{ab}, R_{ab}) \in SE(3)$ as a linear transformations (i.e. a matrix)

$$\bar{g}_a = \begin{bmatrix} g_a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{ab} g_b + p_{ab} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{ab} & p_{ab} \\ \underbrace{0_{1 \times 3}}_{[0 \ 0 \ 0]} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g_b \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \bar{g}_{ab} \cdot \bar{g}_b$$

4x4 matrix \bar{g}_{ab}
homogeneous representation
of $g_{ab} \in SE(3)$

note: Slight abuse of notation, $\bar{g}_{ab} \in SE(3)$

Why use this?

- Allows linear operator, analogous to $SO(3)$
- Allows composition

$$\bar{g}_{ac} = \bar{g}_{ab} \cdot \bar{g}_{bc} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} R_{ab} \cdot R_{bc} & R_{ab} p_{bc} + p_{ab} \\ \hline 0_{1 \times 3} & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

- Is a group

1.) $\bar{g}_1 \cdot \bar{g}_2 \in SE(3)$ for $\bar{g}_1, \bar{g}_2 \in SE(3)$ (closure)

2.) $I_{4 \times 4} \in SE(3)$ (Identity)

$$3) \bar{g}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} R^T & -R^T p \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in SE(3) \quad \text{for} \quad \bar{g} = \begin{bmatrix} R & p \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in SE(3)$$

(Inverse)

4.) Associativity by matrix mult. (Associativity) \square

• Works w/ vectors

$$\bar{g}_* \cdot \bar{v} = \bar{g} \cdot \bar{s} - \bar{g} \bar{r}$$

where \bar{s}, \bar{r} are
points in \mathbb{R}^3
and $\bar{v} = \bar{s} - \bar{r}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R & p \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} Rv \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

← equivalent to just
rotation, as expected

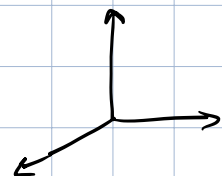
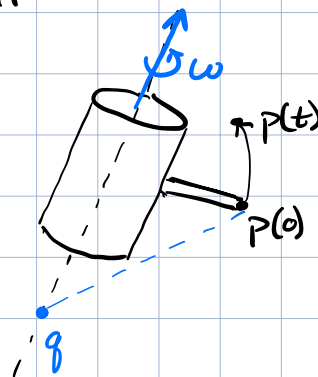
III. Exponential Coords for General Rigid Motion (Twist)

Goal: Generalize exp. map to $SE(3)$ which will
give us exp. coords. for general 3D motion.

① Case 1: Rotational Joint

$$\omega \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \|\omega\| = 1$$

$q \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is a point anywhere
on the axis of rotation



Assuming unit velocity

$$\dot{p}(t) = \omega \times (p(t) - q) = \hat{\omega} \cdot (p(t) - q)$$

Def: Twist $\hat{\xi} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\omega} & v \\ 0_{1 \times 3} & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{4 \times 4}$ where $v = -\omega \times q = -\hat{\omega} q$

Then in homogeneous coords:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\omega} & -\omega \times q \\ 0_{1 \times 3} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \dot{\bar{p}} = \hat{\xi} \bar{p} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Linear} \\ \text{Time Invariant} \\ \text{Diff eq.} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{p}(t) = \exp(\hat{\xi} \cdot t) \cdot \bar{p}(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{p}(\theta) = \exp(\hat{\xi} \theta) \cdot \bar{p}(0)$$

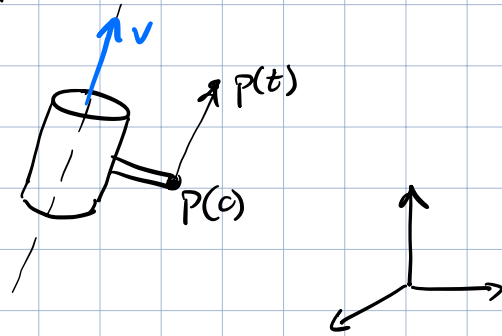
will derive
finite form later

Because
 $\|\omega\| = \dot{\theta} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \theta = t$

② Case 2: Translational joint

$$\dot{\bar{p}}(t) = v$$

Let twist $\hat{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{3 \times 3} & v \\ 0_{1 \times 3} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$



$$\dot{\bar{p}} = \hat{\xi} \cdot \bar{p} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{LTI} \\ \text{diff eq.} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{p}(t) = \exp(\hat{\xi} t) \bar{p}(0)$$

Assume $\|v\| = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{p}(d) = \exp(\hat{\xi} \cdot d) \cdot \bar{p}(0), \text{ for distance } d.$$

* Twist $\hat{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$ is a generalization of $\hat{\omega} \in \mathfrak{so}(3)$

Def: "Little" $se(3)$

$$se(3) = \{ (v, \hat{\omega}) \mid v \in \mathbb{R}^3, \hat{\omega} \in so(3) \}$$

In homogeneous coords. elements of $se(3)$ are

twists $\hat{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\omega} & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in se(3)$

Then, $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\omega} & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^v = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}}_{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^6$ and $\begin{bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}^{\wedge} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\omega} & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 ξ are the twist coords. of a twist $\hat{\xi} \in se(3)$

If rotation $v = -\omega \times q$ for any q on axis ω

If translation $\omega = 0$ and v is axis of translation.