

# **Inverse Manipulator Kinematics (1/3)**



#### **Direct Versus Inverse Kinematics**

#### <sup>•</sup> Direct (Forward) Kinematics

Given: Joint angles and links geometry Compute: Position and orientation of the end effector relative to the base frame

 $f(\theta) =_{T}^{B} T =_{N}^{0} T$ 

#### Inverse Kinematics

Given: Position and orientation of the end effector relative to the base frame Compute: All possible sets of joint angles and links geometry which could be used to attain the given position and orientation of the end effetor

$$\theta = f^{-1}({}_{T}^{B}T) = f^{-1}({}_{N}^{0}T)$$





## Central Topic - Inverse Manipulator Kinematics -Examples

#### • Geometric Solution - Concept

Decompose spatial geometry into several plane geometry

**Examples** - Planar RRR (3R) manipulators - Geometric Solution

Direct Kinematics Goal (Numeric values)

Examples - PUMA 560 - Algebraic Solution







#### Solvability - PUMA 560

Given : PUMA 560 - 6 DOF,  ${}^{0}_{6}T$ 

Solve:  $\theta_1 \cdots \theta_6$  $\int f_{6}^{0}T = {}^{0}_{1}T {}^{1}_{2}T {}^{2}_{3}T {}^{4}_{4}T {}^{5}_{5}T = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & p_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & p_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & p_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Total Number of Equations: 12

Independent Equations: 3 - Rotation Matrix 3 - Position Vector Type of Equations: Non-linear



## **Solvability**

- ->• Existence of Solutions
  - Multiple Solutions
  - Method of solutions
    - Close form solution
      - Algebraic solution
      - Geometric solution
    - Numerical solutions



- For a solution to exist,  ${}^0_N T$  must be in the **workspace** of the manipulator
- Workspace Definitions
  - Dexterous Workspace (DW): The subset of space in which the robot end effector can reach <u>all orientation</u>.
  - Reachable Workspace (RW): The subset of space in which the robot end effector can reach in <u>at least 1 orientation</u>
- The Dexterous Workspace is a subset of the Reachable Workspace

 $DW \subset RW$ 





## Solvability - Existence of Solution - Workspace - 2R Example 1 - $L_1 = L_2$





## Solvability - Existence of Solution - Workspace - 2R Example 2 - $L_1 \neq L_2$





### Solvability - Existence of Solution - Workspace - 3RExample 3 - $L_1 = L_2$





#### **Solvability - Multiple Solutions**

- Multiple solutions are a common problem that can occur when solving inverse kinematics because the system has to be able to chose one
- The number of solutions depends on the number of joints in the manipulator but is also a function of the links parameters  $a_i \alpha_i d_i \theta_i$
- Example: The PUMA 560 can reach certain goals with 8 different (solutions) arm configurations
  - Four solutions are depicted
  - Four solutions are related to a "flipped" wrist



 $\theta_4' = \theta_4 + 180^\circ$  $\theta_5' = -\theta_5$  $\theta_6' = \theta_6 + 180^\circ$ 



### **Solvability - Multiple Solutions**

- **Problem:** The fact that a manipulator has multiple multiple solutions may cause problems because the system has to be able to choose one
- Solution: Decision criteria
  - The closest (geometrically) minimizing the amount that each joint is required to move
    - Note 1: input argument present position of the manipulator
    - Note 2: Joint Weight -Moving small joints (wrist) instead of moving large joints (Shoulder & Elbow)
  - Obstacles exist in the workspace
     avoiding collision







## **Solvability - Multiple Solutions - Number of Solutions**

- Task Definition Position the end effector in a specific point in the plane (2D)
- No. of DOF = No. of DOF of the task

Number of solution: 2 (elbow up/down)

• No. of DOF > No. of DOF of the task

Number of solution:  $\infty$ Self Motion - The robot can be moved without moving the the end effector from the goal





- **Solution** (Inverse Kinematics)- A "solution" is the set of joint variables associated with an end effector's desired position and orientation.
- **No general algorithms** that lead to the solution of inverse kinematic equations.
- Solution Strategies
  - Closed form Solutions An analytic expression includes all solution sets.
    - Algebraic Solution Trigonometric (Nonlinear) equations
    - **Geometric Solution** Reduces the larger problem to a series of plane geometry problems.
  - Numerical Solutions Iterative solutions will not be considered in this course.









#### **Mathematical Equations**

• Law of Sinus / Cosines - For a general triangle



• Sum of Angles

$$\sin(\theta_1 \pm \theta_2) = s_{12} = c_1 s_2 \pm s_1 c_2$$
$$\cos(\theta_1 \pm \theta_2) = c_{12} = c_1 c_2 \mp s_1 s_2$$



#### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 1/12

| i | $\alpha_{i-1}$ | <i>a</i> <sub><i>i</i> - 1</sub> | $d_i$ | θ <sub>i</sub> |
|---|----------------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1 | 0              | 0                                | 0     | θ1             |
| 2 | 0              | $L_1$                            | 0     | $\theta_2$     |
| 3 | 0              | $L_2$                            | 0     | θ3             |





#### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 2/12

$${}^{i-1}_{i}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\,\theta_i & -s\,\theta_i & 0 & a_{i-1} \\ s\,\theta_i c\,\alpha_{i-1} & c\,\theta_i c\,\alpha_{i-1} & -s\,\alpha_{i-1} & -s\,\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ s\,\theta_i s\,\alpha_{i-1} & c\,\theta_i s\,\alpha_{i-1} & c\,\alpha_{i-1} & c\,\alpha_{i-1}d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

| i | $\alpha_{i-1}$ | $a_{i-1}$ | $d_i$ | $\theta_i$ |
|---|----------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| 1 | 0              | 0         | 0     | $\theta_1$ |
| 2 | 0              | $L_1$     | 0     | θ2         |
| 3 | 0              | $L_2$     | 0     | θ3         |

 ${}^{0}_{1}T = \begin{bmatrix} c1 & -s1 & 0 & 0\\ s1 & c1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  ${}_{2}^{1}T = \begin{bmatrix} c2 & -s2 & 0 & L1 \\ s2 & c2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  ${}_{3}^{2}T = \begin{bmatrix} c3 & -s3 & 0 & L2 \\ s3 & c3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 



### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 3/12

$${}^{B}_{W}T = {}^{0}_{3}T = {}^{0}_{1}T {}^{1}_{2}T {}^{2}_{3}T = \begin{bmatrix} c1c2c3 - c1s2s3 - s1s2c3 - s1c2s3 - c1s2s3 - c1s2s3 - s1c2c3 & 0 & c1(L2c2 + L1) - s1s2L2 \\ s1cc3 - s1s2s3 + c1s2c3 + c1c2s3 & -s1c2s3 - s1s2c3 - c1s2s3 + c1c2c3 & 0 & s1(L2c2 + L1) + c1s2L2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Using trigonometric identities to simplify  ${}^{B}_{W}T$ , the solution to the forward kinematics is:

$$\boldsymbol{\zeta}_{W}^{B}T = {}_{3}^{0}T = \begin{bmatrix} c_{123} & -s_{123} & 0 & L_{1}c_{1} + L_{2}c_{12} \\ s_{123} & c_{123} & 0 & L_{1}s_{1} + L_{2}s_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\gamma}$$

• were  $c_{123} = \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$   $s_{123} = \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)$ 



## Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 4/12

- Given:
  - **Direct Kinematics:** The homogenous transformation from the base to the wrist  ${}^{B}_{W}T$
  - **Goal Point Definition:** For a planar manipulator, specifying the goal can be accomplished by specifying three parameters: The position of the wrist in space (x, y) and the orientation of link 3 in the plane relative to the  $\hat{X}$  axis ( $\phi$ )





## Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 5/12

#### • Problem:

What are the joint angles (  $\theta_1,\theta_2,\theta_3)$  as a function of the wrist position and orientation (  $x,y,\phi$  )

#### • Solution:

The goal in terms of position and orientation of the wrist expressed in terms of the homogeneous transformation is defined as follows





#### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 6/12

$$_{W}^{B}T_{Goal} = _{3}^{0}T$$

• A set of four nonlinear equations which must be solved for  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$ 

$$\begin{cases} c_{\phi} = c_{123} \\ s_{\phi} = s_{123} \\ \begin{cases} x = l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} \\ y = l_1 s_1 + l_2 s_{12} \end{cases}$$

- Solving for  $\theta_2$
- If we square x and Y add them while making use of  $c_{12} = c_1c_2 s_1s_2$ ;  $s_{12} = c_1s_2 + s_1c_2$ we obtain

$$x^2 + y^2 = l_1^2 + l_2^2 + 2l_1l_2c_2$$



#### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 6/12 (Continue)



 $\rightarrow$   $x^2 + y^2 = l_1^2 + l_2^2 + 2l_1l_2c_2$ 



### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 7/12

- Note: In order for a solution to exist, the right hand side must have a value between -1 and 1. Physically if this constraints is not satisfied, then the goal point is too far away for the manipulator to reach.
- Assuming the goal is in the workspace, and making use of we write an expression for  $s_2$  as  $c_2^2 + s_2^2 = 1$

$$\implies s_2 = (\pm \sqrt{1 - c_2^2})$$

• Note: The chose of the sign corresponds to the multiple solutions in which we can choose the "elbow-up" or the "elbow-down" solution



### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 8/12

• Finally, we compute  $\theta_2$  using the two argument arctangent function

$$\theta_2 = \operatorname{Atan2}(s_2, c_2) = A \tan 2(\pm \sqrt{1 - c_2^2}, \frac{x^2 + y^2 - l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1 l_2})$$



## Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 8/12

- Solving for  $(\theta_1)$
- For solving  $\theta_1$  we rewrite the original nonlinear equations using a **change of variables** as follows

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$$\begin{cases} x = l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} \\ y = l_1 s_1 + l_2 s_{12} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = k_1 c_1 - k_2 s_1 \\ y = k_1 s_1 + k_2 c_1 \end{cases} \quad k_y \downarrow k_y$$

• where







### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 9/12

• Changing the way in which we write the constants  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ 

$$r = +\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_2^2}$$
$$\gamma = A \tan 2(k_2, k_1)$$

• Then

$$k_1 = r \cos \gamma$$
$$k_2 = r \sin \gamma$$





#### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 10/12

• Base on the previous two transformations the equations can be rewritten as

$$\begin{array}{c} x = k_1 c_1 - k_2 s_1 \\ y = k_1 s_1 + k_2 c_1 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} k_1 = r \cos \gamma \\ k_2 = r \sin \gamma \end{array} \begin{array}{c} x = r \cos \gamma \cos \theta_1 - r \sin \gamma \sin \theta_1 \\ y = r \cos \gamma \sin \theta_1 + r \sin \gamma \cos \theta_1 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{x}{r} = \cos \gamma \cos \theta_1 - \sin \gamma \sin \theta_1$$
$$\frac{y}{r} = \cos \gamma \sin \theta_1 + \sin \gamma \cos \theta_1$$

• or

$$\frac{x}{r} = \cos(\gamma + \theta_1)$$
$$\frac{y}{r} = \sin(\gamma + \theta_1)$$



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### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 11/12

Using the two argument arctangent we finally get a solution for  $\theta_1$ ٠

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$$\gamma + \theta_1 = A \tan 2(\frac{y}{x}, \frac{x}{x}) = A \tan 2(y, x)$$
  
By Definition  $\gamma = A \tan 2(k_2, k_1)$   
 $\theta_1 = A \tan 2(y, x) - A \tan 2(k_2, k_1)$   
 $k_1 = l_1 + l_2 c_2$   
 $k_2 = l_2 s_2$   
Note:  
(1) When a choice of a sign is made in the solution of  $\theta_2$   $\left(\theta_2 = A \tan 2(s_2, c_2) = A \tan 2(\pm \sqrt{1-c_2^2}, \frac{x^2 + y^2 - l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1 l_2})\right)$ ,  
it will cause a sign change in  $k_2$  thus affecting  $\theta_1$   
(2) If  $x = y = 0$  then the solution becomes undefined - in this case  $\theta_1$  is arbitrary  
 $\theta_2 = \frac{180}{\theta_1}$   
 $\theta_1 = Arbitrary$ 



### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Algebraic Solution - 12/12

- Solving for  $\theta_3$
- Base on the original equations

$$\begin{cases} c_{\phi} = c_{123} \\ s_{\phi} = s_{123} \end{cases}$$

• We can solve for the sum of  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$ 

$$\begin{array}{c} \checkmark & \checkmark \\ \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = A \tan 2(s_{\phi}, c_{\phi}) = \phi \\ \longrightarrow & \theta_3 = \phi - \theta_1 + \theta_2 \end{array}$$

• Note: It is typical with manipulators that have two or more links moving in a plane that in the course of a solution, expressions for sum of joint angles arise



## Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 1/5

- Given:
  - Manipulator Geometry
  - **Goal Point Definition:** The position x, y and orientation  $\phi$  of the wrist in space
- Problem:

What are the joint angles (  $\theta_1,\theta_2,\theta_3$  ) as a function of the goal (wrist position and orientation)





### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 2/5

- Solution:
- We can apply the law of cosines to solve ٠ for  $\theta_2$  $\Delta^{\widehat{Y}_0}$  $r^{2} = x^{2} + y^{2} = l_{1}^{2} + l_{2}^{2} - 2l_{1}l_{2}\cos(180 - \theta_{2})$  $L_2$ Since ٠ 180- $\theta_{\gamma}$  $\cos(180-\theta_2) = -\cos\theta_2$  $\rightarrow \hat{X}_0$ x TTT We have ٠  $c_2 = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1 l_2}$



#### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 3/5

$$c_2 = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1 l_2}$$

$$s_2 = \pm \sqrt{1 - c_2^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \theta_2 = A \tan 2(s_2, c_2)$$



### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 4/5

 Note : Condition - Should be checked by the computational algorithm to verify existence of solutions.

$$l_1 + l_2 \ge \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

• Assuming that the solution exist it lies in the range of

$$0^{\circ} \leq \theta_2 \leq 180^{\circ}$$

• The other possible solution may found by symmetry to be



$$\theta_2' = -\theta_2$$





• By definition

$$\theta_1 = \beta \pm \psi$$

$$\theta_2 > 0$$

• Defining  $\beta$  as a function of x, y

 $\beta = A \tan 2(y, x)$ 

• Applying the law of cosine to find



$$\theta_1 = \beta \pm \psi = A \tan 2(y, x) \pm A \tan 2(\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \psi}, \cos \psi)$$



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### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 6/5

• Angle in the plane add up to define the orientation of the last link

$$\phi = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3$$

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# **Inverse Manipulator Kinematics (2/4)**



# Central Topic - Inverse Manipulator Kinematics -Examples

Geometric Solution - Concept

Decompose spatial geometry into several plane geometry

**Examples** - Planar RRR (3R) manipulators -Geometric Solution



**Examples** - PUMA 560 - Algebraic Solution







# Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 1/5

- Given:
  - Manipulator Geometry
  - **Goal Point Definition:** The position x, y and orientation  $\phi$  of the wrist in space
- Problem:

What are the joint angles (  $\theta_1,\theta_2,\theta_3$  ) as a function of the goal (wrist position and orientation)





#### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 2/5

- Solution:
- We can apply the law of cosines to solve for  $\theta_{\rm 2}$

$$r^{2} = x^{2} + y^{2} = l_{1}^{2} + l_{2}^{2} - 2l_{1}l_{2}\cos(180 - \theta_{2})$$

• Since

$$\cos(180-\theta_2)=-\cos\theta_2$$

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• We have  $c_2 = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1 l_2}$ 





Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 3/5

$$\theta_2 = A \tan 2(s_2, c_2)$$



# Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 4/5

• Note : Condition - Should be checked by the computational algorithm to verify existence of solutions.

$$l_1 + l_2 \ge \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \quad \checkmark$$

 Assuming that the solution exist it lies in the range of

$$0^{\circ} \leq \theta_2 \leq 180^{\circ}$$

• The other possible solution may found by symmetry to be

$$\hat{Y}_0$$
  
 $y$   
 $L_2$   
 $L_1$   
 $L_1$   
 $x$   
 $\hat{X}_0$ 

$$\theta_2' = -\theta_2$$



# Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 5/5

By definition



• Defining  $\beta$  as a function of x, y

 $\beta = A \tan 2(y, x)$ 

Applying the law of cosine to find

$$\cos \psi = \frac{x^2 + y^2 + l_1^2 - l_2^2}{2l_1\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

• Note:  $0^0 \le \psi \le 180^\circ$ 



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### Inverse Kinematics - Planar RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 6/5

• Angle in the plane add up to define the orientation of the last link

$$\phi = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3$$

$$\frac{\theta_3}{\uparrow} = \phi - \theta_1 + \theta_2$$





# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 1/

- Given:
  - **Direct Kinematics:** The homogenous transformation from the base to the wrist  ${}^{B}_{W}T$
  - Goal Point Definition: The position and orientation of the wrist in space







# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 2/

#### • Problem:

What are the joint angles (  $\theta_1 \cdots \theta_6$  ) as a function of the wrist position and orientation ( or when  ${}^0_6T$  is given as numeric values)





# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 3/

- Solution (General Technique): Multiplying each side of the direct kinematics equation by a an inverse transformation matrix for separating out variables in search of solvable equation
- Put the dependence on  $\theta_1$  on the left hand side of the equation by multiplying the direct kinematics eq. with  $\begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 T(\theta_1) \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$  gives

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & T(\theta_1) & 0 \\ 1 & T(\theta_1) & 0 \\ 1 &$$



# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 4/

• Put the dependence on  $\theta_1$  on the left hand side of the equation by multiplying the direct kinematics eq. with  $\begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 T(\theta_1) \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$  gives

 $\begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{1}T(\theta_{1}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{1}T(\theta_{1}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{1}T(\theta_{1}) {}^{1}_{2}T(\theta_{2}) {}^{2}_{3}T(\theta_{3}) {}^{3}_{4}T(\theta_{4}) {}^{4}_{5}T(\theta_{5}) {}^{5}_{6}T(\theta_{6})$ 





Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 5/

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 & s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & p_x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & p_y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & p_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = {}_6^1 T$$



## Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 6/

$${}^{1}_{2}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{2} & -s\theta_{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s\theta_{2} & -c\theta_{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{2}_{3}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{3} & -s\theta_{3} & 0 & a_{2} \\ s\theta_{3} & c\theta_{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{3}_{4}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{4} & -s\theta_{4} & 0 & a_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_{4} \\ -s\theta_{4} & -c\theta_{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{4}_{5}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{5} & -s\theta_{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ s\theta_{5} & c\theta_{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{5}_{6}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{6} & -s\theta_{6} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s\theta_{6} & -c\theta_{6} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -**Algebraic Solution - 7/

$$= \int_{-s_{1}}^{c_{1}} \left[ \begin{array}{c} c_{1} & s_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ -s_{1} & c_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & p_{x} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & p_{y} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & p_{z} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] = \int_{0}^{1} T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
Equating the (2,4) elements from both sides of the equation we have

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To solve the equation of this form we make the trigonometric substitution ٠

$$p_x = \rho \cos \phi$$

$$p_y = \rho \sin \phi$$



#### Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 8/

$$\rho = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2}$$
  
$$\phi = A \tan 2(p_x, p_y)$$

• Substituting  $p_x, p_y$  with  $\rho, \phi$  we obtain

$$c_1 s_{\phi} - s_1 c_{\phi} = \frac{d_3}{\rho}$$

• Using the difference of angles formula

$$\rightarrow \sin(\phi - \theta_1) = \frac{d_3}{\rho}$$

# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 9/

• Based on  $\sin^2(\phi - \theta_1) + \cos^2(\phi - \theta_1) = 1$ 

$$\rightarrow \cos(\phi - \theta_1) = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{d_3^2}{\rho^2}} \qquad \phi = A \tan^2(\rho_{\gamma}, f_{\gamma})$$

• and so

$$\phi - \theta_1 = A \tan 2 \left( \frac{d_3}{\rho}, \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{d_3^2}{\rho^2}} \right)$$

• The solution for  $\theta_1$  may be written

$$\theta_1 = A \tan 2(p_y, p_x) - A \tan 2\left(\frac{d_3}{\rho} \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{d_3^2}{\rho^2}}\right)$$

• Note: we have found two possible solutions for  $\theta_1$  corresponding to the +/- sign



# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 10/

Equating the (1,4) element and (3,4) element  $(c_1 p_x + s_1 p_y = a_3 c_{23} - d_4 s_{23} + a_2 c_2) + (-p_z = a_3 c_{23} + d_4 s_{23} + a_2 c_2)^2$ We obtain ٠



Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 11/

• If we square the following equations and add the resulting equations



Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 11/ (Continue)



Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 11/ (Continue)

$$\phi - \theta_{3} = Atim \ 2 \left( \frac{k}{J}, \frac{+}{J} \left( 1 - \frac{1e^{2}}{J^{2}} \right) \right)$$

$$x f$$

$$f > 1$$

$$\phi - \theta_{3} = Atim \ 2 \left( 1c \pm \sqrt{f^{2} - 1c^{2}} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{J}$$

$$\phi - \theta_{3} = Aant \ 2 \left( 1c \pm \sqrt{a_{3}^{2} + d_{n}^{2} - b^{2}} \right)$$

$$\pm \sqrt{\frac{k}{a_{3}^{2} + d_{n}^{2} - b^{2}}}$$



# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 12/

we obtain

$$a_3c_3 - d_4s_3 = K$$

• where

$$K = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2 - a_2^2 - a_3^2 - d_3^2 - a_4^2}{2a_2}$$

• Note that the dependence on  $\theta_1$  has be removed. Moreover the eq. for  $\theta_3$  is of the same form as the eq. for  $\theta_1$  and so may be solved by the same kind of trigonometric substitution to yield a solution for  $\theta_3$ 



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$$\longrightarrow \qquad \theta_3 = A \tan 2(a_3, d_4) - A \tan 2\left(K \pm \sqrt{a_3^2 + d_4^2 - K^2}\right) \qquad \overline{\vartheta}_3$$

• Note that the +/- sign leads to two different solution for  $\theta_3$ 



# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 14/



Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 14/ (Continue)

$$C_{23} \int S_{23} \begin{cases} C_{23} \left[ \begin{array}{c} C_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{y} \end{array} \right] - S_{23} \left[ \begin{array}{c} P_{z} \end{array} \right] = a_{3} + a_{2} C_{3} \\ C_{23} \left[ \begin{array}{c} P_{z} \end{array} \right] + S_{23} \left[ \begin{array}{c} C_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{y} \end{array} \right] = -d_{4} + a_{2} a_{3} \\ A = \left( C_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{y} \right)^{2} + p_{2}^{2} \\ a_{3} + a_{2} c_{3} - d_{4} - c_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{y} \end{array} \right] = \frac{(a_{3} + a_{2} c_{3})(C_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{x}) + P_{2}(a_{3} S_{3} - d_{4})}{A} \\ C_{23} = \frac{\left| \begin{array}{c} a_{3} + a_{2} c_{3} \\ a_{2} S_{3} - d_{4} - c_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{y} \end{array} \right|}{\left| \begin{array}{c} c_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{y} \\ p_{2} - a_{2} S_{3} - d_{4} \end{array} \right|} = \frac{(a_{3} + a_{2} c_{3})(C_{1} p_{x} + S_{4} p_{x}) + P_{2}(a_{3} S_{3} - d_{4}) - P_{2} c_{3} \\ A - \frac{c_{1} p_{x} + s_{4} p_{y} - a_{2} S_{3} - d_{4} - c_{1} p_{x} + s_{4} p_{x})}{A} \\ S_{12} = \frac{A - \frac{c_{1} p_{x} + s_{4} p_{y} - a_{2} S_{3} - d_{4}}{A} - \frac{c_{1} p_{x} + s_{4} p_{y} - a_{3} - d_{4} - P_{2} c_{3} \\ A - \frac{c_{1} p_{x} + s_{4} p_{y} - a_{4} - c_{1} p_{x} + s_{4} p_{y} - a_{4} - c_{4} - c$$

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### Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 15/

$$s_{23} = \frac{(-a_3 - a_2c_2)p_z + (c_1p_x + s_1p_y)(a_2s_3 - d_4)}{p_z^2 + (c_1p_x + s_1p_y)^2}$$
$$c_{23} = \frac{(a_2s_3 - d_4)p_z - (-a_3 - a_2c_3)(c_1p_x + s_1p_y)}{p_z^2 + (c_1p_x + s_1p_y)^2}$$

- Since the denominator are equal and positive, we solve for the sum of  $\theta_2$  and  $\theta_3$ as  $\theta_2 + \theta_3 = A \tan 2[(-a_3 - a_2c_2)p_z + (c_1p_x + s_1p_y)(a_2s_3 - d_4), (a_2s_3 - d_4)p_z - (-a_3 - a_2c_3)(c_1p_x + s_1p_y)]$
- The equation computes four values of  $\theta_{23}$  according to the four possible combination of solutions for  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_3$



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• Then, four possible solutions for  $\theta_2$  are computed as

$$\theta_2 = \theta_{23} - \theta_3$$





# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 17/

• As long as  $s_5 \neq 0$  we can solve for  $\theta_4$ 

$$\theta_4 = A \tan 2(-r_{13}s_1 + r_{23}c_1, -r_{13}c_1c_{23} - r_{23}s_1c_{23} + s_{23}r_{33})$$

• When  $\theta_5 = 0$  the manipulator is in a *singular configuration* in which joint axes 4 and 6 line up and cause the same motion of the last link of the robot. In this case all that can be solved for is the sum or difference of  $\theta_4$  and  $\theta_6$ . This situation is detected by checking whether both arguments of Atan2 are near zero. If so  $\theta_4$  is chosen arbitrary (usually chosen to be equal to the present value of joint 4), and  $\theta_6$  is computed later, it will be computed accordingly





Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 18/

 $\begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{4}T(\theta_{1},\theta_{2},\theta_{3},\theta_{4})\end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{4}T(\theta_{1},\theta_{2},\theta_{3},\theta_{4})\end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{1}T(\theta_{1}) {}^{1}_{2}T(\theta_{2}) {}^{2}_{3}T(\theta_{3}) {}^{3}_{4}T(\theta_{4}) {}^{4}_{5}T(\theta_{5}) {}^{5}_{6}T(\theta_{6})$ 



• Equating the (1,3) and the (3,3) elements we get

$$r_{13}(c_{1}c_{23}c_{4} + s_{1}s_{4}) + r_{23}(s_{1}c_{23}c_{4} - c_{1}s_{4}) - r_{33}(s_{23}c_{4}) = -s_{5}$$

$$r_{13}(-c_{1}s_{23}) + r_{23}(-s_{1}s_{23}) + r_{33}(-c_{23}) = c_{5}$$

• We can solve for  $\theta_{5}$ 

 $\theta_5 = A \tan 2(s_5, c_5)$ 



Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 19/

 $\begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{5}T(\theta_{1},\theta_{2},\theta_{3},\theta_{4},\theta_{5})\end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{5}T(\theta_{1},\theta_{2},\theta_{3},\theta_{4},\theta_{5})\end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{1}T(\theta_{1}) {}^{1}_{2}T(\theta_{2}) {}^{2}_{3}T(\theta_{3}) {}^{3}_{4}T(\theta_{4}) {}^{4}_{5}T(\theta_{5}) \begin{bmatrix} {}^{5}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) ]^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5})\end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) \begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) ]^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) \begin{bmatrix} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) ]^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{5}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{6}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} {}^{0}_{6}T(\theta_{6},\theta_{$ 



• Equating the (3,1) and the (1,1) elements we get

 $r_{11}(c_1s_{23}c_5 - s_1s_{23}s_5) + r_{21}(c_{23}) + r_{31}(+c_1s_{23}s_5 + s_1s_{23}c_5) = s_6$ 

 $r_{11}(c_{1}c_{23}c_{4}c_{5} + s_{1}s_{4}c_{5} - s_{1}c_{23}c_{4}s_{5} + c_{1}s_{4}s_{5}) + r_{21}(s_{23}c_{4}) + r_{31}(c_{1}c_{23}c_{4}s_{5} + s_{1}s_{4}s_{5} + s_{1}c_{23}c_{4}c_{5} - c_{1}s_{4}c_{5}) = c_{6}$ 

• We can solve for  $\theta_6$ 

$$\theta_6 = A \tan 2(s_6, c_6)$$



# Inverse Kinematics - PUMA 560 -Algebraic Solution - 21/

- Summary Number of Solutions
- Four solution

$$\theta_{1} = A \tan 2(p_{y}, p_{x}) - A \tan 2\left(\frac{d_{3}}{\rho}, \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{d_{3}^{2}}{\rho^{2}}}\right)$$
$$\theta_{3} = A \tan 2(a_{3}, d_{4}) - A \tan 2\left(K, \pm \sqrt{a_{3}^{2} + d_{4}^{2} - K^{2}}\right)$$

• For each of the four solutions the wrist can be flipped

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_4^{'} &= \theta_4 + 180^o \\ \theta_5^{'} &= -\theta_5 \\ \theta_6^{'} &= \theta_6 + 180^o \end{aligned}$$



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- After all eight solutions have been computed, some or all of them may have to be discarded because of joint limit violations.
- Of the remaining valid solutions, usually the one closest to the present manipulator configuration is chosen.



# **Inverse Manipulator Kinematics (3/4)**



# Central Topic - Inverse Manipulator Kinematics -Examples

• Geometric Solution - Concept Decompose spatial geometry into several plane geometry

**Example** - 3D - RRR (3R) manipulators -Geometric Solution

• Algebraic Solution (closed form) -Piepers Method - Last three consecutive axes intersect at one point

Example - Puma 560







# Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 1/

- Given:
  - Manipulator Geometry
  - **Goal Point Definition:** The position  $x_d, y_d, z_d$  of the wrist in space





• Problem:

What are the joint angles (  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$  ) as a function of the goal (wrist position and orientation)



#### Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 2/




## Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 3/

• The planar geometry - top view of the robot





#### Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 4/







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## Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 6/

By Apply the law of cosines we get ٠

$$r_{2}^{2} = L_{3}^{2} + L_{4}^{2} - 2L_{3}L_{4}\cos(180 + \theta_{3}) = L_{3}^{2} + L_{4}^{2} + 2L_{3}L_{4}\cos(\theta_{3})$$
Rearranging gives
$$c_{3} = \frac{r_{2}^{2} - (L_{3}^{2} + L_{4}^{2})}{2L_{3}L_{4}}$$
and
$$s_{3} = \sqrt{1 - c_{3}^{2}}$$

$$c_{3}^{2} + s_{3}^{2} = 1$$

$$r_{2}$$
Solving for  $\theta_{3}$  we get
$$\theta_{3} = A\tan(\pm\sqrt{1 - c_{3}^{2}}, c_{3})$$

Where  $c_3$  is defined above in terms of known parameters  $L_3 L_4 x_d, y_d$ , and  $z_d$ ٠



### Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 8/



• Finally we need to solve for  $\theta_2$ 

• where 
$$\begin{aligned} \theta_2 &= \alpha + \beta \\ \alpha &= A \tan 2(\hat{z}, r_1) \end{aligned}$$



## Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 9/

• Based on the law of cosines we can solve for  $\beta$ 

$$L_{4}^{2} = r_{2}^{2} + L_{3}^{2} - 2r_{2}L_{3}\cos(\beta)$$

$$c_{\beta} = \frac{r_{2}^{2} + L_{3}^{2} - L_{4}^{2}}{2r_{2}L_{3}}$$

$$\beta = A \tan 2(\pm \sqrt{1 - c_{\beta}^{2}}, c_{\beta})$$

$$\theta_{2} = A \tan 2(z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2}), \sqrt{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2}}) + A \tan 2(\pm \sqrt{1 - c_{\beta}^{2}}, c_{\beta})$$



### Inverse Kinematics - 3D RRR (3R) -Geometric Solution - 10/

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• Summary

$$\theta_1 = A \tan 2(y_d, x_d)$$

$$\theta_{2} = A \tan 2(z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2}), \sqrt{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2}}) + A \tan 2(\pm \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2} + (z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2}))^{2} + L_{3}^{2} - L_{4}^{2}}{2\sqrt{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2} + (z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2})L_{3})^{2}}}\right)^{2}, \frac{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2} + (z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2}))^{2} + L_{3}^{2} - L_{4}^{2}}{2\sqrt{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2} + (z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2})L_{3})^{2}}})$$

$$\theta_{3} = A \tan(\pm \sqrt{1 - \left[\frac{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2} + (z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2}))^{2} - (L_{3}^{2} + L_{4}^{2})}{2L_{3}L_{4}}\right]^{2}}, \frac{x_{d}^{2} + y_{d}^{2} + (z_{d} - (L_{1} + L_{2}))^{2} - (L_{3}^{2} + L_{4}^{2})}{2L_{3}L_{4}}}$$



# Inverse Kinematics -Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 1-7



**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 1** 

Equation

$$\begin{cases} \sin \theta = a & a \in [-1,1] \\ \cos \theta = b & b \in [-1,1] \end{cases}$$

• Solution (Unique)

$$\theta = A \tan 2(a,b)$$

**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 2** 

 $\sin \theta = a \quad a \in [-1,1]$   $\cos \theta = \pm \sqrt{1-a^2} \quad \Rightarrow \sin \theta = \pm \sqrt{1-b^2} \quad \Rightarrow \sin$ Equation ٠  $\theta = A \tan 2(a, \pm \sqrt{1-a^2})$   $\theta = A \tan 2(\pm \sqrt{1-b^2}, b)$ Solution ٠ **Two Solutions**  $\theta_1 = \theta$  $\theta_2 = -\theta$  $\theta_1 = \theta$  $\theta_2 = 180 - \theta$ Singularity at the Boundary When  $\theta = \pm 90^{\circ}$ ,  $|\mathbf{a}| = 1$  When  $\theta = 0^{\circ}, 180^{\circ}$ ,  $|\mathbf{b}| = 1$ 

**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 3** 

Equation

$$a(\cos\theta) + b(\sin\theta) = 0$$
$$\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \underbrace{a}_{b}$$

- Solution
  - Two Solutions  $180^{\circ}$  apart

$$\begin{cases} \theta = A \tan 2(a, -b) \\ \theta = A \tan 2(-a, b) \end{cases}$$

Singularity

$$b = 0$$

**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 4** 

Equation

$$a(\cos\theta) + b(\sin\theta) = c a, b, c \neq 0$$

- Solution
  - Two Solutions

$$\theta = A \tan 2(\pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}, c) + A \tan 2(b, a)$$

For a solution to exist

$$a^2 + b^2 - c^2 > 0$$

 $a^2 + b^2 - c^2 = 0$  4

- No solution (outside of the workspace)  $a^2 + b^2 c^2 < 0$
- One solution (singularity)



**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 4** 

$$\begin{cases} a = \int \cos \phi \\ b = \int \sin \phi \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \int = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \\ \phi & A \tan 2(b, \alpha) \end{cases}$$

$$Cos \phi Cos \phi + S \partial n \phi cos \phi = \frac{c}{f} \\ Sin^2(\theta - \phi) + Cos^2(\theta - \phi) = \frac{1}{f} \\ Sin(\theta - \phi) = \pm \sqrt{1 - \cos^2(\theta - \phi)} \end{cases} \Rightarrow A \tan 2\left(\frac{\pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right) = A \tan 2\left(\frac{\pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right) = A \tan 2\left(\frac{\pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right) = A \tan 2\left(\frac{\pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right) = A \tan 2\left(\frac{\pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right) = A \tan 2\left(\frac{\pm \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right)$$

**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 4** 



**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 5** 

Equation

$$\begin{cases} \sin\theta\sin\phi = a\\ \cos\theta\sin\phi = b \end{cases}$$

• Solution  $\rightarrow \theta = A \tan 2(a,b)$  if  $\sin \phi$  is positive  $\rightarrow \theta = A \tan 2(-a,-b)$  if  $\sin \phi$  is negative



**Generalized Algebraic (Analytical) Solutions – Case 6** 

• Equation

$$a\cos\theta + c\sin\theta = d$$
 (os  $\phi$ , sin  $\phi$   
 $e\cos\theta + f\sin\theta = g$ 

- Solution  $\theta = A \tan 2(ag de, df cg)$ 
  - For an exiting solution (the determinant must be positive)

$$\Delta = af - ce > 0$$

## Algebraic Solution by Reduction to Polynomial ৫৯১৯ - 구

- Transcendental equations are difficult to solve because they are a function of  $c\theta, s\theta$  $f(c\theta, s\theta) = k$
- Making the following substitutions yields an expression in terms of a single veritable u, Using this substitutions, transcendental equation are converted into polynomial equation

$$\int u = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$
$$\cos \theta = \frac{1 - u^2}{1 + u^2}$$
$$\sin \theta = \frac{2u}{1 + u^2}$$



## **Algebraic Solution by Reduction to Polynomial - Example**

• Transcendental equation

$$ac\theta + bs\theta = c$$

• Substitute  $c\theta, s\theta$  with the following equations

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1 - u^2}{1 + u^2}$$
$$\sin \theta = \frac{2u}{1 + u^2}$$

• yields

$$a(1-u^{2}) + 2bu = c(1+u^{2})$$
$$(a+c)u^{2} - 2bu + (c-a) = 0$$



# **Algebraic Solution by Reduction to Polynomial - Example**

• Which is solved by the quadratic formula to be

$$u = \frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - a^2 - c^2}}{a + c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \theta = 2 \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - a^2 - c^2}}{a + c} \right)$$

- Note
  - If  $\mathcal{U}$  is complex there is no real solution to the original transcendental equation

- If 
$$a+c=0$$
 then  $\theta=180^{\circ}$ 





- Pieper's Solution Closed form solution for a serial 6 DOF in which three consecutive axes intersect at a point (including robots with three consecutive parallel axes, since they meet at a point at infinity)
- Pieper's method applies to the majority of commercially available industrial robots
- Example: (Puma 560)
  - All 6 joints are revolute joints
  - The last 3 joints are intersecting





Given:

**Problem:** 

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- *Manipulator Geometry:* 6 DOF & DH parameters
  - All 6 joints are revolute joints
  - The last 3 joints are intersecting
- Goal Point Definition: The position and orientation of the wrist in space \_

$${}^{0}_{6}T = {}^{0}_{1}T {}^{1}_{2}T {}^{2}_{3}T {}^{3}_{4}T {}^{5}_{5}T = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_{x} \\ p_{y} \\ p_{z} \\ p_{z} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
(t)
  
What are the joint angles ( $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \theta_{3}, \theta_{4}, \theta_{5}, \theta_{6}$ ) as a function of the goal (wrist position and orientation)



When the last three axes of a 6 DOF robot intersect, the origins of link frame {4}, {5}, and {6} are all located at the point of intersection. This point is given in the base coordinate system as

$$P_{4org} = {}^{0}_{1}T_{2}^{1}T_{3}^{2}T_{4org}^{3}$$

• From the general forward kinematics method for determining homogeneous transforms using DH parameters, we know:

$$\overset{i-1}{i}R \qquad \overset{i-1}{P_{iorg}} \\ \overset{3}{\longrightarrow}_{i-1}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{i} & -s\theta_{i} & 0 \\ s\theta_{i}c\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_{i}c\alpha_{i-1} & -s\alpha_{i-1} \\ s\theta_{i}s\alpha_{i-1} & c\theta_{i}s\alpha_{i-1} & c\alpha_{i-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



For i=4  $^{3}P_{4org}$  ${}^{3}_{4}R$  ${}^{3}_{4}R \qquad {}^{3}P_{4org}$   ${}^{3}_{4}T = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{4} & -s\theta_{4} & 0 \\ s\theta_{4}c\alpha_{3} & c\theta_{4}c\alpha_{3} & -s\alpha_{3} \\ s\theta_{4}s\alpha_{3} & c\theta_{4}s\alpha_{3} & c\alpha_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Using the fourth column and substituting for  ${}^{3}P_{4' org}$  we find ٠  $\overset{0}{P_{4org}} = \overset{0}{}_{4org}^{1} T_{2}^{2} T_{3}^{2} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{3}^{2} T_{3}^{2} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{3}^{2} T_{3}^{2} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{2}^{2} T_{3}^{2} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{3}^{2} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{3}^{1} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{2}^{1} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1} T_{4org}^{2} = \overset{0}{}_{1}^{1$ 



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$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{1}(\theta_{3}) \\ f_{2}(\theta_{3}) \\ f_{3}(\theta_{3}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{3} \\ -s\alpha_{3}d_{4} \\ c\alpha_{3}d_{4} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{1}(\theta_{3}) \\ f_{2}(\theta_{3}) \\ f_{3}(\theta_{3}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{3} & -s\theta_{3} & 0 & a_{2} \\ s\theta_{3}c\alpha_{2} & c\theta_{3}c\alpha_{2} & -s\alpha_{2} & -s\alpha_{2}d_{3} \\ s\theta_{3}s\alpha_{2} & c\theta_{3}s\alpha_{2} & c\alpha_{2} & -s\alpha_{2}d_{3} \\ s\theta_{3}s\alpha_{2} & c\theta_{3}s\alpha_{2} & c\alpha_{2} & c\alpha_{2}d_{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{3} \\ -s\alpha_{3}d_{4} \\ c\alpha_{3}d_{4} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} f_1(\theta_3) = a_3c_3 + d_4s\alpha_3s_3 + a_2 \\ f_2(\theta_3) = a_3c\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3c\alpha_2c_3 - d_4s\alpha_2c\alpha_3 - d_3s\alpha_2 \\ f_3(\theta_3) = a_3s\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3s\alpha_2c_3 + d_4c\alpha_2c\alpha_3 + d_3c\alpha_2 \\ \end{cases}$$







$$(\bigstar) \begin{cases} g_1(\theta_2) = c_2 f_1 + s_2 f_2 + a_1 \\ g_2(\theta_2) = s_2 s \alpha_1 f_1 + c_2 c \alpha_1 f_2 - s \alpha_1 f_3 - d_2 s \alpha_1 \\ g_3(\theta_2) = s_2 s \alpha_1 f_1 + c_2 s \alpha_1 f_2 + c \alpha_1 f_3 + d_2 c \alpha_1 \end{cases}$$

• Repeating the same process for the last time

$${}^{0}P_{4org} = {}^{0}_{1}T_{2}{}^{1}T_{3}{}^{2}T_{4org} = {}^{0}_{1}T \begin{bmatrix} g_{1}(\theta_{2}) \\ g_{2}(\theta_{2}) \\ g_{2}(\theta_{2}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$${}^{0}P_{4org} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{1} & -s\theta_{1} & 0 & a_{0} \\ s\theta_{1}c\alpha_{0} & c\theta_{1}c\alpha_{0} & -s\alpha_{0} & -s\alpha_{0}d_{1} \\ s\theta_{1}s\alpha_{0} & c\theta_{1}s\alpha_{0} & c\alpha_{0} & -s\alpha_{0}d_{1} \\ s\theta_{1}s\alpha_{0} & c\theta_{1}s\alpha_{0} & c\alpha_{0} & c\alpha_{0}d_{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g_{1}(\theta_{2}) \\ g_{2}(\theta_{2}) \\ g_{3}(\theta_{2}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- Frame {0} The frame attached to the base of the robot or link 0 called frame {0} This frame does not move and for the problem of arm kinematics can be considered as the reference frame.
- Assign {0} to match {1} when the first joint veritable is zero

$${}^{\circ}P_{4org} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta_{1} & -s\theta_{1} & 0 & a_{0} \\ c\theta_{1} & c\alpha_{0} & c\theta_{1}c\alpha_{0} & -s\alpha_{0} & -s\alpha_{0}d_{1} \\ s\theta_{1}c\alpha_{0} & c\theta_{1}c\alpha_{0} & -s\alpha_{0} & -s\alpha_{0}d_{1} \\ s\theta_{1}s\alpha_{0} & c\theta_{1}s\alpha_{0} & c\alpha_{0} & c\alpha_{0}d_{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g_{1}(\theta_{2}) \\ g_{2}(\theta_{2}) \\ g_{3}(\theta_{2}) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{\circ}P_{4org} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1}g_{1} - s_{1}g_{2} \\ s_{1}g_{1} + c_{1}g_{2} \\ g_{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- Through algebraic manipulation of these equations, we can solve for the desired joint angles (  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$  ).
- The first step is to square the magnitude of the distance from the frame {0} origin to frame {4} origin.

$$r^{2} = {\binom{0}{P_{4orgx}}}^{2} + {\binom{0}{P_{4orgy}}}^{2} + {\binom{0}{P_{4orgz}}}^{2} = g_{1}^{2} + g_{2}^{2} + g_{3}^{2}$$

$$x^{2} + y^{2} + z^{2}$$



• Using the previously define function for  $g_i$  we have

$$r^{2} = f_{1}^{2} + f_{2}^{2} + f_{3}^{2} + a_{1}^{2} + d_{2}^{2} + 2d_{2}f_{3} + a_{1}(c_{2}f_{1} - s_{2}f_{2})$$



$$\longrightarrow \begin{cases} r^2 = f_1^2 + f_2^2 + f_3^2 + a_1^2 + d_2^2 + 2d_2f_3 + a_1(c_2f_1 - s_2f_2) \\ Z = {}^0P_{4orgz} = g_3 = s_2s\alpha_1f_1 + c_2s\alpha_1f_2 + c\alpha_1f_3 + d_2c\alpha_1 \\ A \end{cases}$$

• Applying a substitution of temporary variables, we can write the magnitude squared term along with the z-component of the {0} frame origin to the {4} frame origin distance.

$$\begin{cases} r^{2} = (k_{1}c_{2} + k_{2}s_{2})2a_{1} + k_{3} \\ Z = (k_{1}s_{2} - k_{2}c_{2})s\alpha_{1} + k_{4} \\ & & \\ &$$

• These equations are useful because dependence on  $\theta_1$  has been eliminated, and dependence on  $\theta_2$  takes a simple form

• Consider 3 cases while solving for 
$$\theta_3$$
:  
• Case 1 -  $a_1 = 0$   
•  $r^2 = k_3$   
•  $k_3 = f_1^2 + f_2^2 + f_3^2 + a_1^2 + d_2^2 + 2d_2f_3$   
•  $f_1(\theta_3) = a_3c_3 + d_4s\alpha_3s_3 + a_2$   
•  $f_2(\theta_3) = a_3c\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3c\alpha_2c_3 - d_4s\alpha_2c\alpha_3 - d_3s\alpha_2$   
•  $f_3(\theta_3) = a_3s\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3s\alpha_2c_3 + d_4c\alpha_2c\alpha_3 + d_3c\alpha_2$ 

• Solution Methodology - Reduction to Ploynomial => Quadratic Equation

$$u = \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \qquad \cos \theta = \frac{1 - u^2}{1 + u^2} \qquad \sin \theta = \frac{2u}{1 + u^2}$$

• Case 2 - 
$$s\alpha_1 = 0$$
  
 $Z = k_4$   
 $k_4 = f_3 c\alpha_1 + d_2 c\alpha_1$   
 $f_3(\theta_3) = a_3 s\alpha_2 s_3 - d_4 s\alpha_3 s\alpha_2 c_3 + d_4 c\alpha_2 c\alpha_3 + d_3 c\alpha_2$ 

• Solution Methodology - Reduction to Ploynomial => Quadratic Equation

$$u = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$
  $\cos \theta = \frac{1 - u^2}{1 + u^2}$   $\sin \theta = \frac{2u}{1 + u^2}$ 



• **Case 3 (General case)** : We can find  $\theta_3$  through the following algebraic manipulation:

$$+ \begin{cases} \left(\frac{r^2 - k_3}{2a_1} = (k_1c_2 + k_2s_2)\right)^2 & 4_2 \\ \left(\frac{Z - k_4}{s\alpha_1} = (k_1s_2 - k_2c_2)\right)^2 \end{cases}$$

• squaring both sides, we find

$$\left(\frac{r^2 - k_3}{2a_1}\right)^2 = \left(k_1c_2 + k_2s_2\right)^2 = k_1^2c_2^2 + k_2^2s_2^2 + 2k_1k_2c_2s_2$$
$$\left(\frac{Z - k_4}{s\alpha_1}\right)^2 = \left(k_1s_2 - k_2c_2\right)^2 = k_1^2s_2^2 + k_2^2c_2^2 - 2k_1k_2c_2s_2$$



• Adding these two equations together and simplifying using the trigonometry identity (Reduction to Ploynomial), we find a fourth order equation for  $\theta_3$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{r^2 - k_3}{2a_1} \end{pmatrix}^2 + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{Z - k_4}{s\alpha_1} \end{pmatrix}^2 = k_1^2 + k_2^2$$

$$k_1 = f_1$$

$$k_2 = -f_2$$

$$k_3 = f_1^2 + f_2^2 + f_3^2 + a_1^2 + d_2^2 + 2d_2f_3$$

$$k_4 = f_3c\alpha_1 + d_2c\alpha_1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_1(\theta_3) = a_3c_3 + d_4s\alpha_3s_3 + a_2 \\ f_2(\theta_3) = a_3c\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3c\alpha_2c_3 - d_4s\alpha_2c\alpha_3 - d_3s\alpha_2 \\ f_3(\theta_3) = a_3s\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3s\alpha_2c_3 + d_4c\alpha_2c\alpha_3 + d_3c\alpha_2$$



• With 
$$\theta_3$$
 solved, substitute into  $r^2$ , Z to find  $\theta_2$   

$$\begin{cases} r^2 = (k_1c_2 + k_2s_2)2a_1 + k_3 \\ Z = (k_1s_2 - k_2c_2)s\alpha_1 + k_4 \end{cases}$$

$$k_1 = f_1 \\ k_2 = -f_2 \\ k_3 = f_1^2 + f_2^2 + f_3^2 + a_1^2 + d_2^2 + 2d_2f_3 \\ k_4 = f_3c\alpha_1 + d_2c\alpha_1 \\ \begin{cases} f_1(\theta_3) = a_3c_3 + d_4s\alpha_3s_3 + a_2 \\ f_2(\theta_3) = a_3c\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3c\alpha_2c_3 - d_4s\alpha_2c\alpha_3 - d_3s\alpha_2 \\ f_3(\theta_3) = a_3s\alpha_2s_3 - d_4s\alpha_3s\alpha_2c_3 + d_4c\alpha_2c\alpha_3 + d_3c\alpha_2 \end{cases}$$



• With  $\theta_2, \theta_3$  solved, substitute into  ${}^0P_{4org}$  to find

$${}^{0}P_{4org} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1}g_{1} - s_{1}g_{2} \\ s_{1}g_{1} + c_{1}g_{2} \\ g_{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Solve for  $\theta_1$  using the reduction to polynomial method


### **Pieper's Solution - Three consecutive Axes Intersect**

- To complete our solution we need to solve for  $\theta_4, \theta_5, \theta_6$
- Since the last three axes intersect these joint angle affect the orientation of only the last link. We can compute them based only upon the rotation portion of the specified goal  ${}_{6}^{0}R$   ${}_{6}^{R-1}/{}_{6}R^{-1}/{}_{6}I$ 
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•  $\int_{4}^{0} R \Big|_{\theta_4=0}$  - The orientation of link frame {4} relative to the base frame {0} when  $\theta_4 = 0$ 

 ${}^{4}_{6}R\Big|_{\theta_{4}=0} = {}^{0}_{4}R^{-1}\Big|_{\theta_{4}=0} \qquad {}^{0}_{6}R$ 

•  $\theta_4, \theta_5, \theta_6$  are the Euler angles applied to  ${}^4_6 R \Big|_{\theta_4=0}$ 



## **Inverse Manipulator Kinematics (4/4)**



INVERSE KINEMATICS - HYBRID APPROUCH PG °.P.  $\sigma T = \frac{\sigma}{4} T \frac{1}{2} T \frac{2}{3} T \frac{3}{4} T \frac{5}{6} T \frac{5}{6} T = 1$ WRIST CENTER GIVEN 3 INTERSECTIALGARIS Given 3 intorsecting axis 4,5,6 (origines of 4,56 are at the same point)  $^{\circ}P_{6} = ^{\circ}P_{4}$ 



°T = °T 2 T 2 T 3 T ( 3 T 5 T > Problem 2 Problem 1 orientation problem position problem  $\{ \text{Frame 3} \} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}_3} \{ \text{Frame (R)} \} \xrightarrow{a_3} \{ \text{Frame(Q)} \} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}_4} \{ \text{Frame (P)} \} \xrightarrow{d_4} \{ \text{Frame (Q)} \} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}_4} \{ \text{Frame (P)} \} \xrightarrow{d_4} \{ \text{Frame (Q)} \} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}_4} \{ \text$ 



 ${}^{6}T = {}^{0}T_{2}^{1}T_{3}^{2}T_{1}^{2}R_{x_{3}}(\alpha_{u}) D_{x_{3}}(\alpha_{3})R_{zu}(A_{u}) D_{zu}(A_{u}) {}^{4}T_{5}^{5}T_{6}^{5}T$ Problem 1 Problem 2 Oriantation problem position problem 

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 $^{\circ}R = ^{\circ}R ^{3}R ^{\prime}R ^{\prime}R$  $\hat{c}R = \hat{c}R(R(x_3) I R(\mathcal{A}_u) I) \hat{c}R$  $\hat{c}R = \hat{c}R(R(x_3) I R(\mathcal{A}_u) I) \hat{c}R$  $\hat{c}R = \hat{c}R(\mathcal{A}_3) I R(\mathcal{A}_u) I) \hat{c}R$  ${}^{\circ}_{6}R = \left[ {}^{\circ}_{3}R R_{x_3}(\lambda_3) \right] \left[ R_{z_4}(\lambda_4) {}^{4}_{6}R \right]$ 



Solving for Au, A5, A6  $R_{Z4}(\mathcal{A}_{4})^{\prime} \hat{\mathcal{C}} R = \begin{bmatrix} 3 R R_{\times 3}(\mathcal{A}_{3}) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{C}} R$ Desired orign tation Solved in Problem 1 given for every point Known A, Az, A3 on the trajectory Desired oristation of the wist taking into account the contribution of the first 3  $R_{z_4}(A_u)_{5}^{9}R(A_5)\tilde{s}R(A_6) =$  $R_{ \rightarrow} \rightarrow$ angles to the orintation Instructor: Jacob Rosen

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RD  $R_{24}(4_{4}) \stackrel{4}{_{5}}R(4_{5}) \stackrel{5}{_{6}}R(4_{6}) = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & T_{13} \\ T_{24} & T_{22} & T_{23} \\ T_{31} & T_{32} & T_{33} \end{bmatrix}$ 

Solve for A4, A5, A6 using the Z-Y-Z problem









- Algebraic Solution (closed form) Piepers Method (Continue) Last three consecutive axes intersect at one point
- Consider a 3 DOF (wrist) non-planar robot whose axes all intersect at a point.





# Mapping - Rotated Frames - Z-Y-Z Euler Angles

Start with frame {4}.

- Rotate frame {4} about  $\hat{Z}_4$  by an angle  $\alpha$
- Rotate frame {4} about  $\hat{Y}_{\underline{A}}$  by an angle  $\beta$
- Rotate frame {4} about  $\hat{Z}_4$  by an angle  $\gamma$  .



**Note** - Each rotation is preformed about an axis of the moving reference frame

*{4}, rather then a fixed reference.* 





### **Mapping - Rotated Frames - X-Y-Z Euler Angles**

$$R_{Z'Y'Z'}(\alpha,\beta,\gamma) = R_Z(\alpha)R_Y(\beta)R_Z(\gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} c\alpha & -s\alpha & 0\\ s\alpha & c\alpha & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c\beta & 0 & s\beta\\ 0 & 1 & 0\\ -s\beta & 0 & c\beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c\gamma & -s\gamma & 0\\ s\gamma & c\gamma & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^{A}_{B}R_{X'Y'Z'}(\alpha,\beta,\gamma)={}^{4}_{6}R_{\theta_{4}=0}$$





• Solve for  $\beta$  using element  $r_{31}, r_{32}, r_{33}$ 

$$r_{31}^{2} + r_{32}^{2} = s\beta^{2}(c\alpha^{2} + s\alpha^{2})$$
$$r_{33} = c\beta$$
$$\mathbf{1}$$
$$s\beta = \pm \sqrt{r_{31}^{2} + r_{32}^{2}}$$

• Using the Atan2 function, we find

$$\beta = \text{Atan2}\left(\pm\sqrt{r_{31}^2 + r_{32}^2}, r_{33}\right)$$



• Solve for  $\alpha$  using elements  $r_{23}, r_{13}$ 

$$r_{13} = c \alpha s \beta$$
$$r_{23} = s \alpha s \beta$$

$$\alpha = \operatorname{Atan2}(r_{23} / s\beta, r_{13} / s\beta)$$



• Solve for  $\gamma$  using elements  $r_{32}, r_{31}$ 

$$r_{32} = s\beta s\gamma$$
$$r_{31} = -s\beta c\gamma$$

$$\gamma = \operatorname{Atan2}(r_{32} / s\beta, -r_{31} / s\beta)$$

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- Note: Two answers exist for angle  $\,\beta\,$  which will result in two answers each for angles  $\,\alpha\,$  and  $\,\gamma\,$  .

$$\beta = \operatorname{Atan2}\left(\pm \sqrt{r_{31}^2 + r_{32}^2}, r_{33}\right)$$

$$\alpha = \operatorname{Atan2}\left(r_{23} / s\beta, r_{13} / s\beta\right)$$

$$\gamma = \operatorname{Atan2}\left(r_{32} / s\beta, -r_{31} / s\beta\right)$$

• If 
$$\beta = 0^{\circ}, \beta = 180^{\circ} \Rightarrow s\beta = 0$$
 the solution degenerates





$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s \alpha c \gamma + c \alpha s \gamma & -s \alpha s \gamma + c \alpha c \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s (\alpha + \gamma) & c (\alpha + \gamma) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• We are left with  $(\gamma + \alpha)$  for every case. This means we can't solve for either, just their difference.



- One possible convention is to choose  $\alpha = 0^{\circ}$
- The solution can be calculated to be



$$\beta = 0$$

$$\beta = 180$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0$$

$$\gamma = \operatorname{Atan2}(-r_{12}, r_{11}) = \operatorname{Atan2}(s\gamma, c\gamma)$$

$$\gamma = \operatorname{Atan2}(r_{12}, -r_{11}) = \operatorname{Atan2}(s\gamma, c\gamma)$$



• For this example, the singular case results in the capability for self-rotation. That is, the middle link can rotate while the end effector's orientation never changes.





# **Gimbal Lock**



Normal situation The three gimbals are independent

### http://youtu.be/zc8b2Jo7mno



Gimbal lock: Two out of the three gimbals are in the same plane, one degree of freedom is lost





- In robotics, gimbal lock is commonly referred to as "wrist flip", due to the use of a "triple-roll wrist" in robotic arms, where three axes of the wrist, controlling yaw, pitch, and roll, all pass through a common point.
- An example of a wrist flip, also called a wrist singularity, is when the path through which the robot is traveling causes the first and third axes of the robot's wrist to line up. The second wrist axis then attempts to spin 180° in zero time to maintain the orientation of the end effector. The result of a singularity can be quite dramatic and can have adverse effects on the robot arm, the end effector, and the process.
- The importance of non-singularities in robotics has led the American National Standard for Industrial Robots and Robot Systems — Safety Requirements to define it as "a condition caused by the collinear alignment of two or more robot axes resulting in unpredictable robot motion and velocities".