



Jacobian: Velocities and Static Forces 1/4



Kinematics Relations - Joint & Cartesian Spaces

- A robot is often used to manipulate object attached to its tip (end effector).
- The location of the robot tip may be specified using one of the following descriptions:

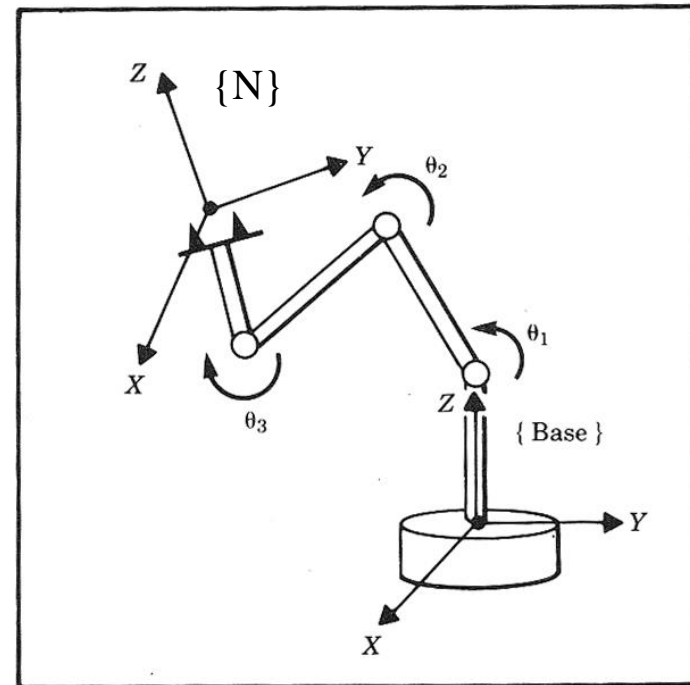
- **Joint Space**

$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_N \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Cartesian Space**

$${}^0_N T = \begin{bmatrix} {}^0_N R & {}^0 P_N \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} {}^0 P_N \\ {}^0 r_N \end{bmatrix}$$

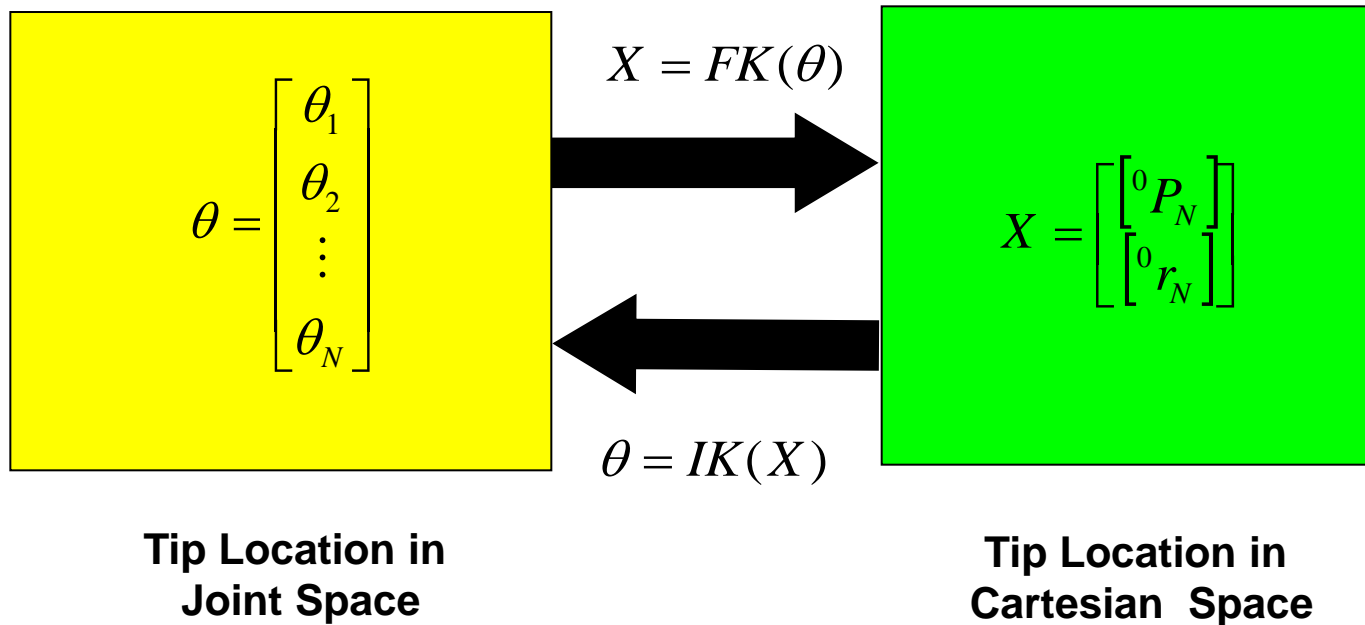
Euler Angles





Kinematics Relations - Forward & Inverse

- The robot kinematic equations relate the two description of the robot tip location





Kinematics Relations - Forward & Inverse

$$\dot{X} = J \dot{\theta}$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{d}{dt}[\theta] = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{\theta}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

Tip Velocity in
Joint Space

$$\dot{X} = \frac{d}{dt}[X] = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_N \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \omega_N \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \\ \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Tip velocity in
Cartesian Space

$$\dot{\theta} = J^{-1} \dot{X}$$



Jacobian Matrix - Introduction

- **The Jacobian is a multi dimensional form of the derivative.**
- Suppose that for example we have 6 functions, each of which is a function of 6 independent variables

$$y_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6)$$

$$y_2 = f_2(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6)$$

⋮

$$y_6 = f_6(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6)$$

- We may also use a vector notation to write these equations as

$$Y = F(X)$$



Jacobian Matrix - Introduction

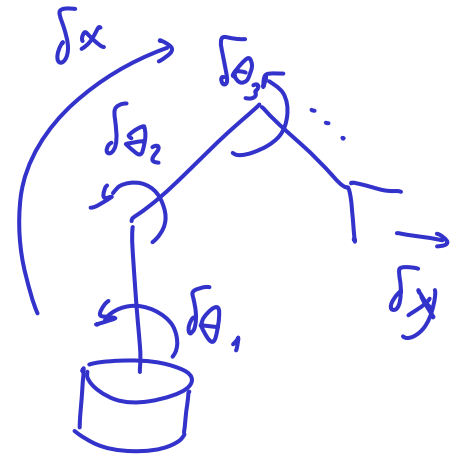
- If we wish to calculate the differential of y_i as a function of the differential x_i we use the chain rule to get

$$\delta y_1 = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \delta x_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_6} \delta x_6$$

$$\delta y_2 = \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \delta x_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_6} \delta x_6$$

\vdots

$$\delta y_6 = \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial x_1} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial x_2} \delta x_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_6}{\partial x_6} \delta x_6$$



- Which again might be written more simply using a vector notation as

$$\rightarrow \delta Y = \frac{\partial F}{\partial X} \delta X$$



Jacobian Matrix - Introduction

- The 6x6 matrix of partial derivative is defined as the Jacobian matrix

$$\dot{Y} \quad \delta Y = \frac{\partial F}{\partial X} \delta X = J(X) \delta X \quad \dot{X}$$

The diagram shows the equation $\delta Y = \frac{\partial F}{\partial X} \delta X = J(X) \delta X$ with handwritten annotations. A blue circle around δY is labeled \dot{Y} above it. A blue circle around δX is labeled \dot{X} above it. A blue circle around the entire right-hand side $J(X) \delta X$ is labeled \dot{X} above it. A blue circle around the fraction $\frac{\partial F}{\partial X}$ is labeled J above it. A blue circle around the dt term in the denominator of the fraction is labeled dt below it. A blue circle around the dt term in the denominator of the right-hand side is labeled dt below it.

- By dividing both sides by the differential time element, we can think of the Jacobian as mapping velocities in X to those in Y

$$\dot{Y} = J(X) \dot{X}$$

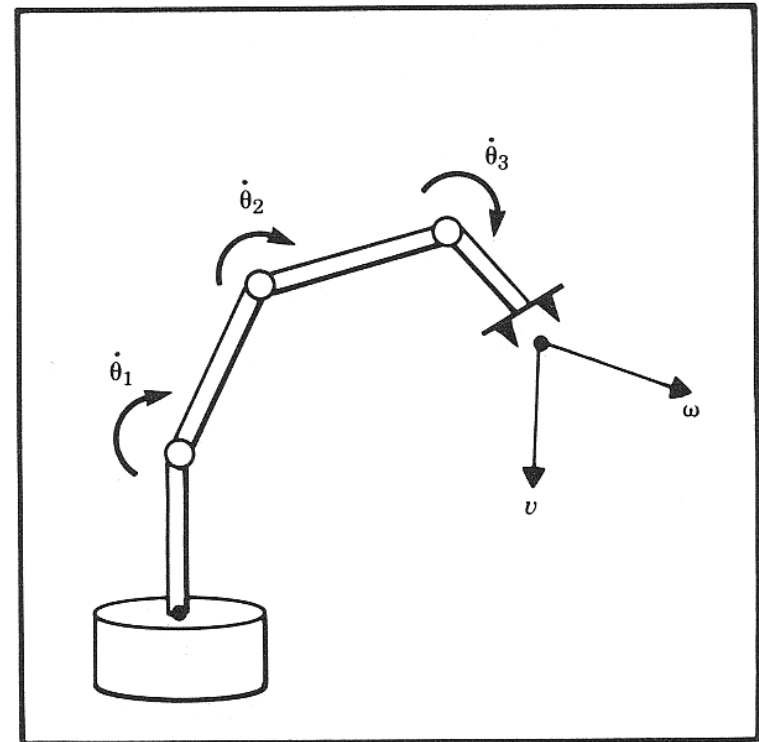
- Note that the Jacobian is time varying linear transformation



Jacobian Matrix - Introduction

- In the field of robotics the Jacobian matrix describe the relationship between the joint angle rates ($\dot{\underline{\theta}}_N$) and the translation and rotation velocities of the end effector ($\dot{\underline{x}}$). This relationship is given by:

$$\begin{matrix} \left\{ \begin{matrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \\ \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{matrix} \right\} & \left\{ \begin{matrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \\ \dot{\theta}_x \\ \dot{\theta}_y \\ \dot{\theta}_z \end{matrix} \right\} & \underline{\dot{x}} = J(\underline{\theta})\underline{\dot{\theta}} & \left\{ \begin{matrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \\ \dot{\theta}_4 \\ \dot{\theta}_5 \\ \dot{\theta}_6 \end{matrix} \right\} \\ & & \underline{\dot{\theta}} = J(\underline{\theta})^{-1}\underline{\dot{x}} & \end{matrix}$$





Jacobian Matrix - Introduction

- This expression can be expanded to:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \\ \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dots \\ \dot{\theta}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

6×1 $6 \times N$ $N \times 1$

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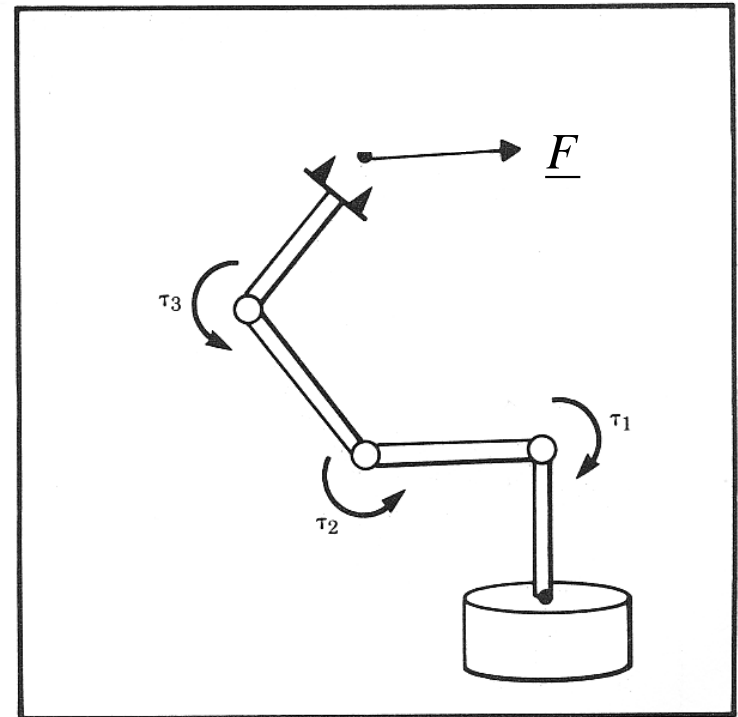
- Where:
 - $\dot{\underline{x}}$ is a 6×1 vector of the end effector linear and angular velocities
 - $J(\underline{\theta})$ is a $6 \times N$ Jacobian matrix
 - $\dot{\underline{\theta}}_N$ is a $N \times 1$ vector of the manipulator joint velocities
 - N is the number of joints



Jacobian Matrix - Introduction

- In addition to the velocity relationship, we are also interested in developing a relationship between the robot joint torques ($\underline{\tau}$) and the forces and moments (\underline{F}) at the robot end effector (**Static Conditions**). This relationship is given by:

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \\ \tau_4 \\ \tau_5 \\ \tau_6 \end{Bmatrix} = J(\underline{\theta})^T \underline{F} \quad \begin{Bmatrix} F_x \\ F_y \\ F_z \\ M_x \\ M_y \\ M_z \end{Bmatrix}$$





Jacobian Matrix - Introduction

- This expression can be expanded to:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \dots \\ \tau_N \end{bmatrix} = J(\underline{\theta}) \begin{bmatrix} F_x \\ F_y \\ F_z \\ M_x \\ M_y \\ M_z \end{bmatrix}$$

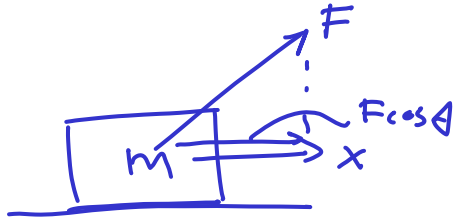
6x1 **6xN** **Nx1**

Note: A red circle highlights the T superscript on the first element of the force vector, with a blue arrow pointing to it.

- Where:
 - $\underline{\tau}$ is a 6x1 vector of the robot joint torques
 - $J(\underline{\theta})^T$ is a 6xN Transposed Jacobian matrix
 - \underline{F} is a Nx1 vector of the forces and moments at the robot end effector
 - N is the number of joints



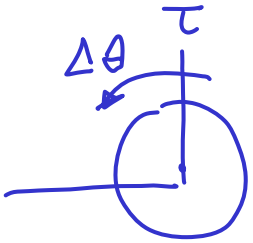
WORK



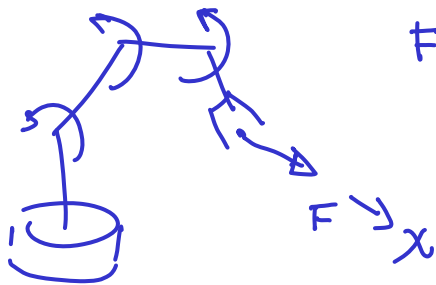
Dot product

$$W = F \cdot \Delta x$$

$$= F \cos \theta \Delta x$$



$$W = \tau \cdot \Delta \theta$$



$$F \cdot \delta x = \tau \cdot \delta \theta$$

EE
space

Joint
space

$$F_x x = \tau_1 \theta_1$$

⋮

$$M_x \theta_x = \tau_y \theta_y$$

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$$F^T \delta x = \tau^T \delta \theta$$

$$\delta x = J \delta \theta$$

Det

$$F^T J \delta \theta = \tau^T \delta \theta$$



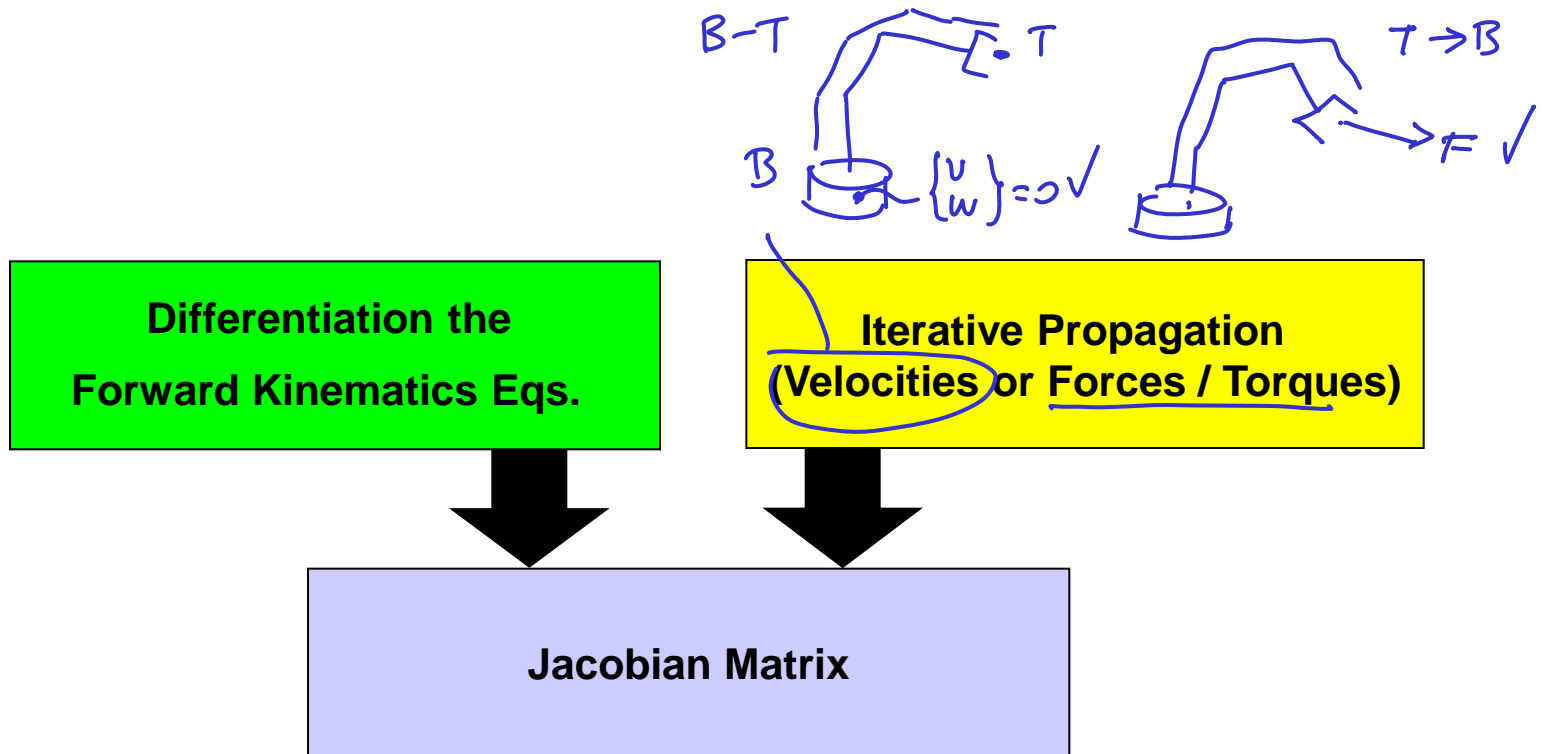
$$\left[\tau^T = F^T J \right]^T$$

$$\boxed{\tau = J^T F}$$





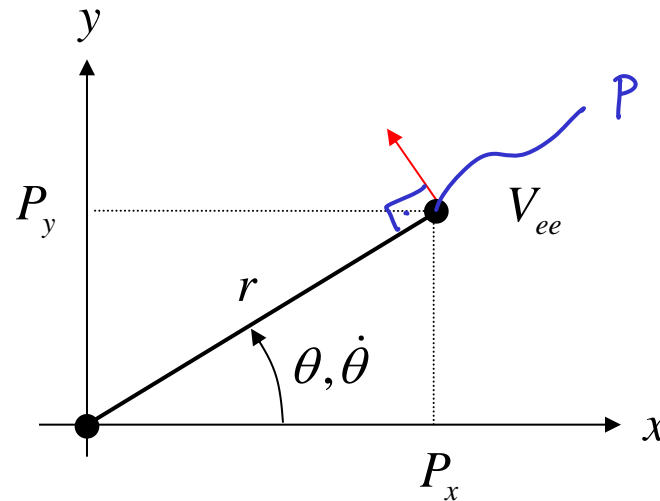
Jacobian Matrix - Calculation Methods





Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 1R - 1/4

- Consider a simple planar 1R robot



- The end effector position is given by

$$\begin{cases} {}^0P_x = x = r \cos \theta \\ {}^0P_y = y = r \sin \theta \end{cases} \begin{matrix} / dt \\ / dt \end{matrix}$$



Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 1R - 2/4

- The velocity of the end effector is defined by

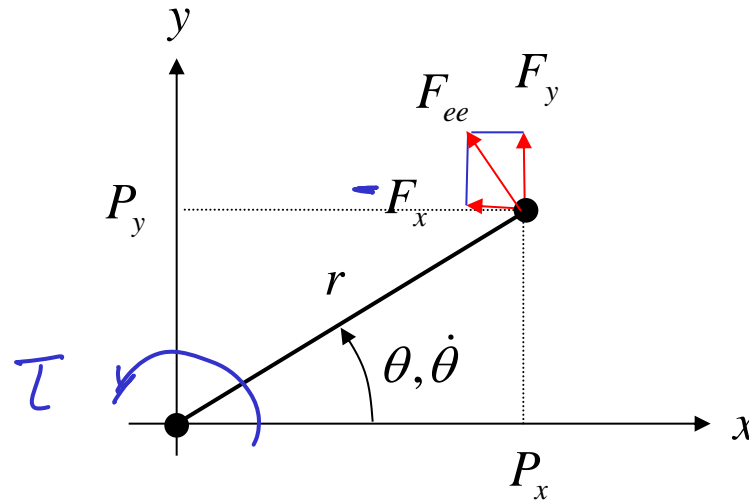
$$\begin{aligned} {}^0V_x = {}^0\dot{P}_x = \dot{x} &= -\dot{\theta} r \sin \theta = \overbrace{-\omega r \sin \theta} \\ {}^0V_y = {}^0\dot{P}_y = \dot{y} &= \dot{\theta} r \cos \theta = \underbrace{\omega r \cos \theta} \end{aligned}$$

- Expressed in matrix form we have

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\dot{x}} &= J(\underline{\theta}) \underline{\dot{\theta}} \\ \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -r \sin \theta \\ r \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} \\ &\quad \begin{matrix} \text{2x1} & \text{2x1} & \text{1x1} \end{matrix} \end{aligned}$$



Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 1R - 3/4



- The moment about the joint generated by the force acting on the end effector is given by

$$\tau = -rF_x \sin \theta + rF_y \cos \theta$$



Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 1R - 4/4

- Expressed in matrix form we have

$$\underline{\tau} = J(\underline{\theta})^T \underline{F}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \textcircled{1 \times 1} & \textcircled{1 \times 2} & \textcircled{2 \times 1} \\ \left[\tau \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} -r \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} F_x \\ F_y \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

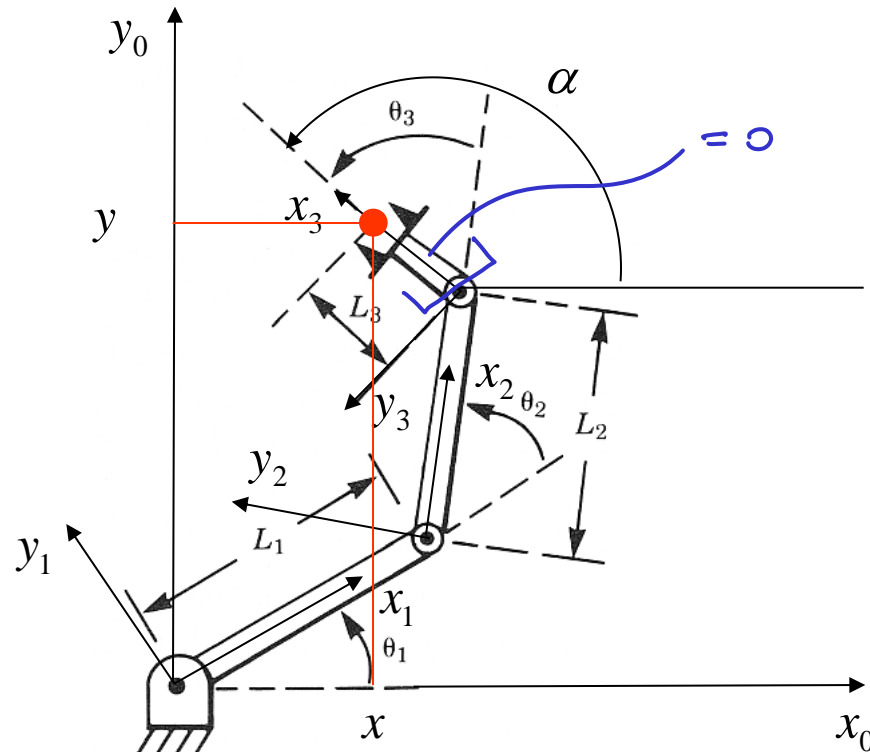
$$\underline{\dot{x}} = J(\underline{\theta}) \underline{\dot{\theta}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -r \sin \theta \\ r \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$



Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 3R - 1/4

- Consider the following 3 DOF Planar manipulator





Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 3R - 2/4

- **Problem:** Compute the Jacobian matrix that describes the relationship

$$\underline{\dot{x}} = J(\underline{\theta})\underline{\dot{\theta}} \qquad \underline{\tau} = J(\underline{\theta})^T \underline{F}$$

- **Solution:**
- The end effector position and orientation is defined in the base frame by

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$



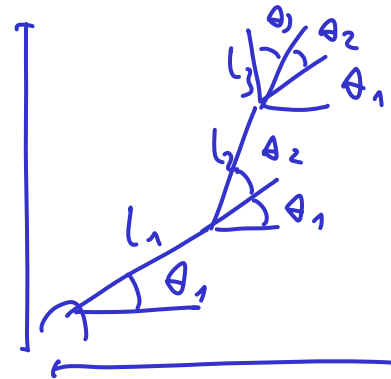
Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 3R - 3/4

- The forward kinematics gives us relationship of the end effector to the joint angles:

$${}^0P_{3org,x} = x = L_1c_1 + L_2c_{12} + L_3c_{123}$$

$${}^0P_{3org,y} = y = L_1s_1 + L_2s_{12} + L_3s_{123}$$

$${}^0P_{3org,\alpha} = \alpha = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3$$



- Differentiating the three expressions gives

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= -L_1s_1\dot{\theta}_1 - L_2s_{12}(\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2) - L_3s_{123}(\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2 + \dot{\theta}_3) \\ &= -(L_1s_1 + L_2s_{12} + L_3s_{123})\dot{\theta}_1 - (L_2s_{12} + L_3s_{123})\dot{\theta}_2 - (L_3s_{123})\dot{\theta}_3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y} &= L_1c_1\dot{\theta}_1 + L_2c_{12}(\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2) + L_3c_{123}(\dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2 + \dot{\theta}_3) \\ &= (L_1c_1 + L_2c_{12} + L_3c_{123})\dot{\theta}_1 + (L_2c_{12} + L_3c_{123})\dot{\theta}_2 + (L_3c_{123})\dot{\theta}_3\end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{\alpha} = \dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_2 + \dot{\theta}_3$$



Jacobian Matrix by Differentiation - 3R - 4/4

- Using a matrix form we get

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = \overset{\text{FRAME 0}}{\textcircled{0}} J(\underline{\theta}) \dot{\underline{\theta}}$$

J

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -L_1 s_1 - L_2 s_{12} - L_3 s_{123} & -L_2 s_{12} - L_3 s_{123} & -L_3 s_{123} \\ L_1 c_1 + L_2 c_{12} + L_3 c_{123} & L_2 c_{12} + L_3 c_{123} & L_3 c_{123} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

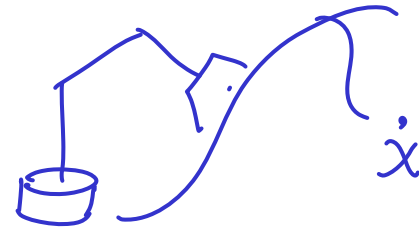
- The Jacobian provides a linear transformation, giving a velocity map and a force map for a robot manipulator. For the simple example above, the equations are trivial, but can easily become more complicated with robots that have additional degrees a freedom. Before tackling these problems, consider this brief review of linear algebra.



Singularity - The Concept

- **Motivation:** We would like the hand of a robot (end effector) to move with a certain velocity vector in Cartesian space. Using linear transformation relating the joint velocity to the Cartesian velocity we could calculate the necessary joint rates at each instance along the path.

$$\underline{\dot{\theta}} = J(\underline{\theta})^{-1} \underline{\dot{x}}$$

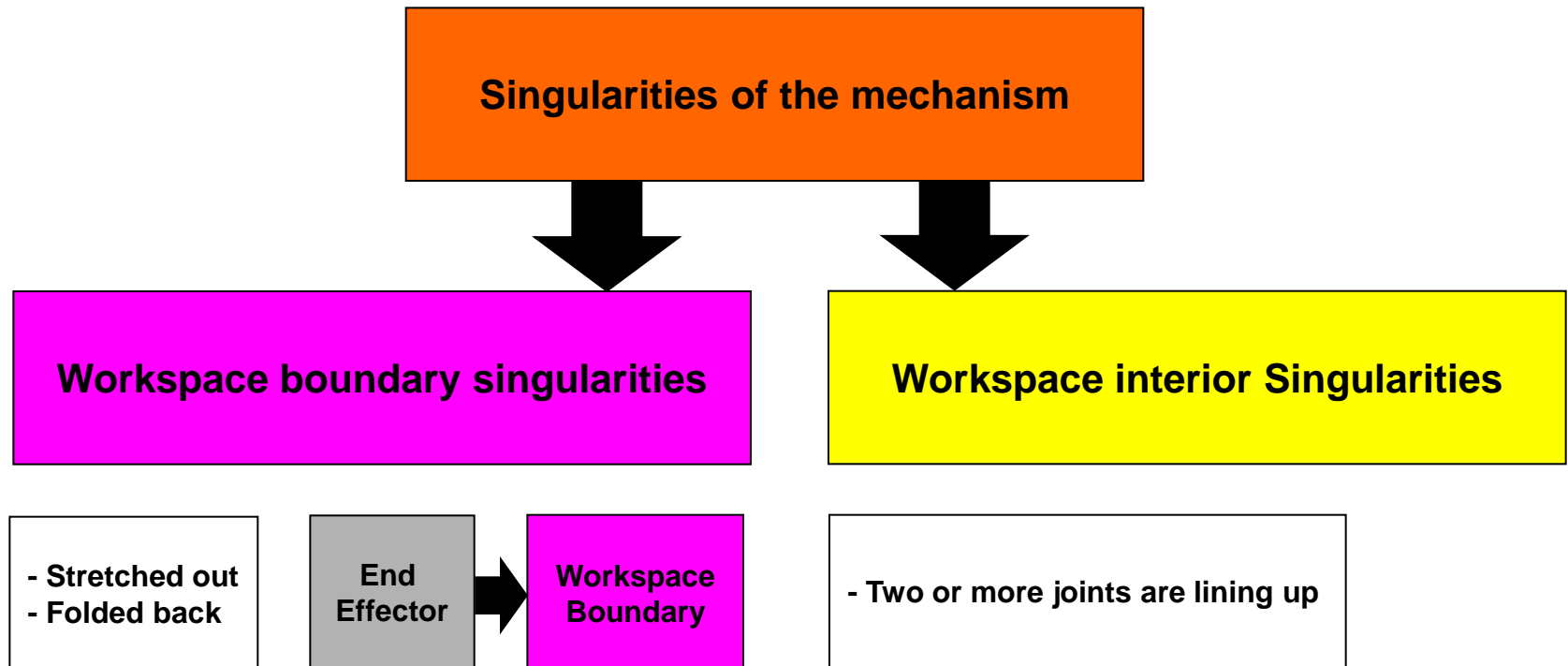


- **Given:** a linear transformation relating the joint velocity to the Cartesian velocity (usually the end effector)
- **Question:** Is the Jacobian matrix invertible? (Or) Is it nonsingular?
Is the Jacobian invertible for all values of θ ?
If not, where is it not invertible?



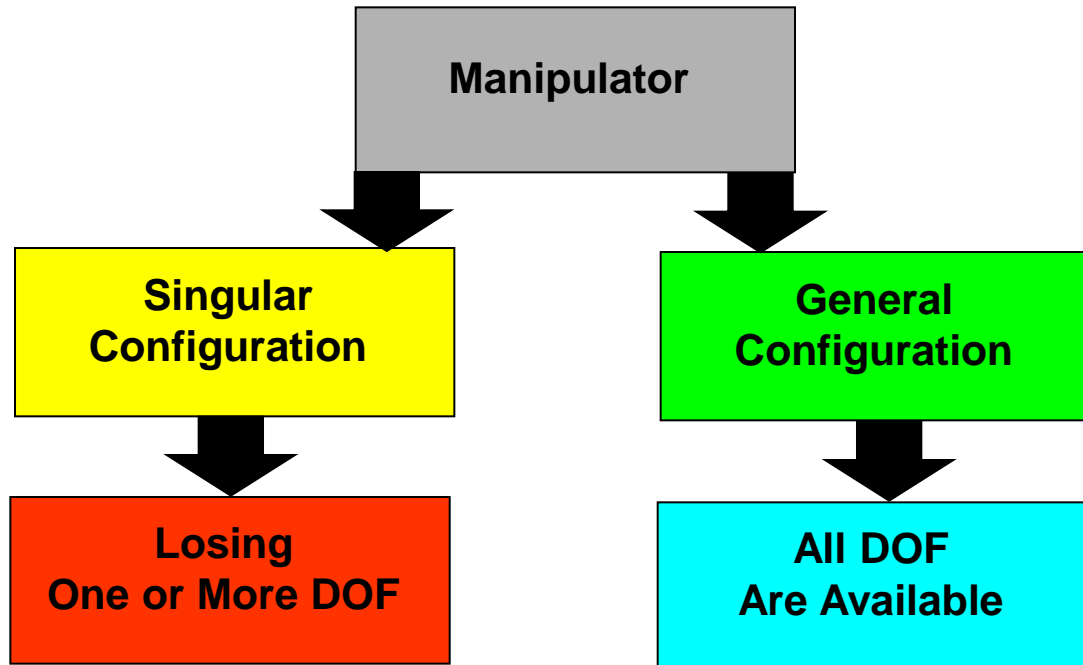
Singularity - The Concept

- **Answer (Conceptual):** Most manipulators have values of θ where the Jacobian becomes singular. Such locations are called **singularities of the mechanism** or **singularities** for short





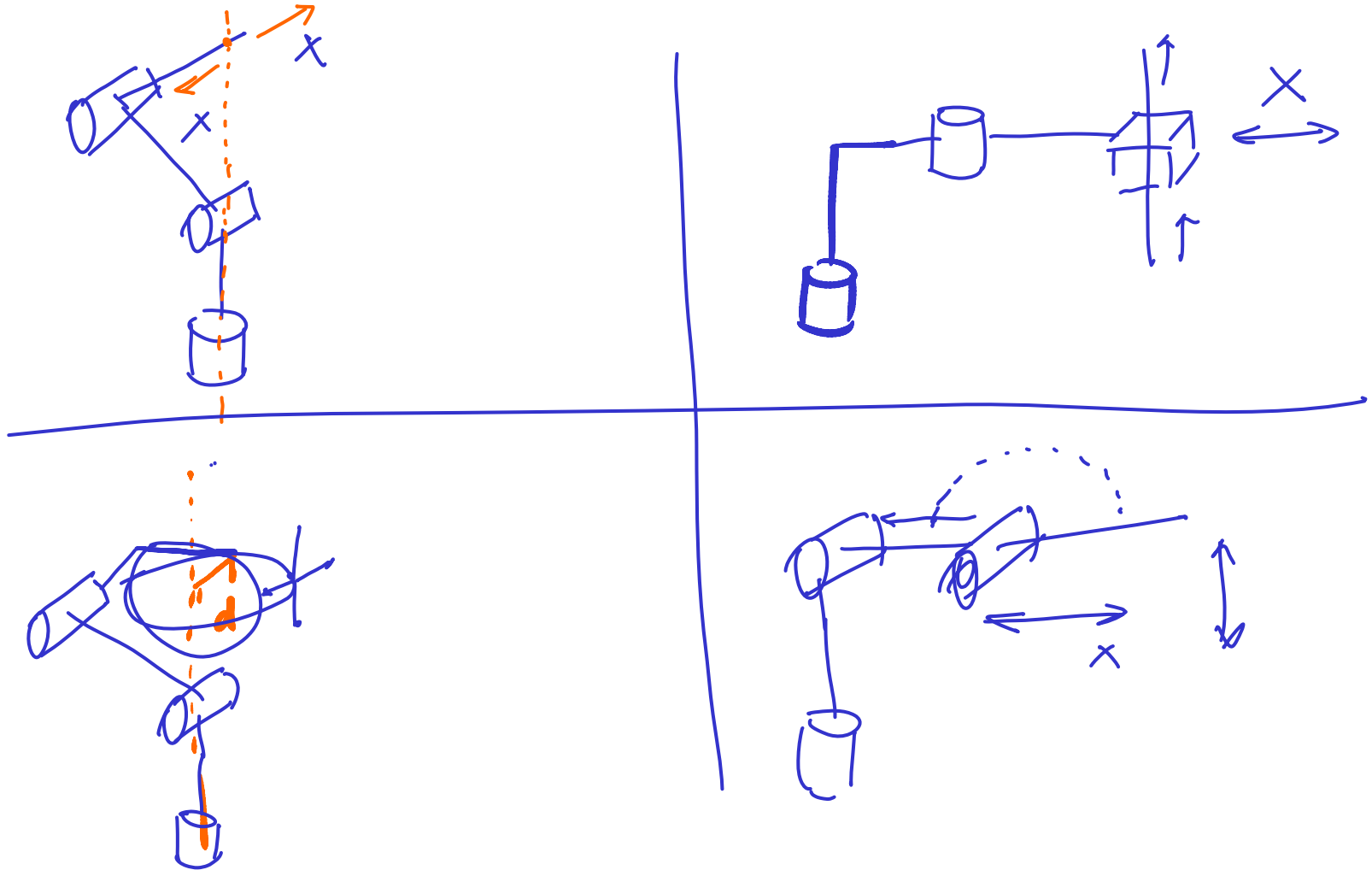
Singularity - The Concept



- Losing one or more DOF means that there is a some direction (or subspace) in Cartesian space along which it is impossible to move the hand of the robot (end effector) no matter which joint rate are selected



Singularity – Physical Interpretation - Examples





Brief Linear Algebra Review - 1/

- Inverse of Matrix A exists ***if and only if*** the determinant of A is non-zero.

A^{-1} Exists ***if and only if***

$$\text{Det}(A) = |A| \neq 0$$

- If the determinant of A is equal to zero, then the matrix A is a singular matrix

$$\text{Det}(A) = |A| = 0$$

A Singular



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 2/

- The rank of the matrix A is the size of the largest squared Matrix S for which

$$\text{Det}(S) \neq 0$$

- Example 1 - $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $A = S = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $|A| = |S| = 3$ $\text{Rank}(A) = 2$

- Example 2 - $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $S = [1]$ $|S| = 1$ $\text{Rank}(A) = 1$



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 3/

- If two rows or columns of matrix A are equal or related by a constant, then

$$\text{Det}(A) = 0$$

- Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 6 & -3 & -3 \\ 10 & -6 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = |A| = 2 \begin{vmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ -6 & -5 \end{vmatrix} - 0 \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ 10 & -5 \end{vmatrix} - 1 \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ 10 & -6 \end{vmatrix} = 6 + 0 - 6 = 0$$



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 4/

- ***Eigenvalues***

$$AX = \lambda X$$

$$(A - \lambda I)X = 0$$

- Eigenvalues are the roots of the polynomial

$$\text{Det}(A - \lambda I)$$

- If $X \neq 0$ each solution to the characteristic equation λ (Eigenvalue) has a corresponding Eigenvector



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 4/

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - \lambda I)X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Det}(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = -1$$

$$\lambda_2 = 3$$



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 4/

$$\lambda_1 = -1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \qquad X = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \qquad X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 5/

- Any singular matrix ($\text{Det}(A) = 0$) has at least one Eigenvalue equal to zero



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 6/

- If A is non-singular ($\text{Det}(A) \neq 0$), and λ is an eigenvalue of A with corresponding to eigenvector X , then

$$A^{-1}X = \lambda^{-1}X$$



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 7/

- If the $n \times n$ matrix A is of full rank (that is, $\mathbf{Rank}(A) = n$), then the only solution to

$$AX = 0$$

is the trivial one

$$X = 0$$

- If A is of less than full rank (that is $\mathbf{Rank}(A) < n$), then there are $n-r$ linearly independent (orthogonal) solutions

$$x_j \quad 0 \leq j \leq n - r$$

for which

$$Ax_j = 0$$



Brief Linear Algebra Review - 8/

- If A is square, then A and A^T have the same eigenvalues



Properties of the Jacobian - Velocity Mapping and Singularities

- **Example:** Planar 3R

$$\det(J(\theta)) = \begin{vmatrix} -L_1s_1 - L_2s_{12} - L_3s_{123} & -L_2s_{12} - L_3s_{123} & -L_3s_{123} \\ L_1c_1 + L_2c_{12} + L_3c_{123} & L_2c_{12} + L_3c_{123} & L_3c_{123} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = L_1L_2s_2$$

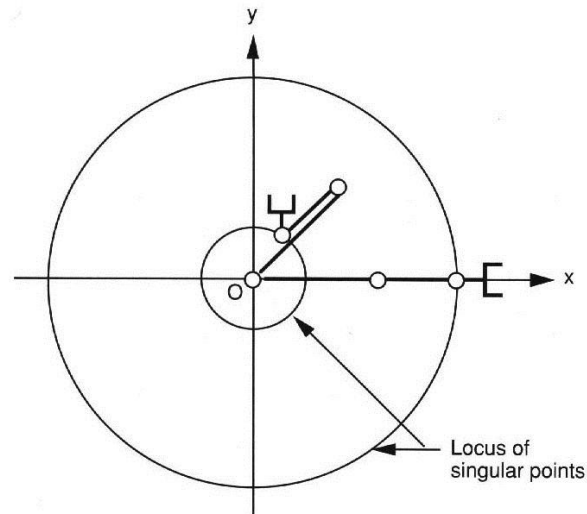
$$\det(J(\theta)) = L_1L_2s_2 = 0$$

- Note that $\det(J(\theta))$ is not a function of θ_1, θ_3



Properties of the Jacobian - Velocity Mapping and Singularities

singular configuration $\begin{cases} \theta_2 = 0 & \text{Stretched Out} \\ \theta_2 = \pi & \text{Fold Back} \end{cases}$



- The manipulator loses 1 DEF. The end effector can only move along the tangent direction of the arm. Motion along the radial direction is not possible.



Properties of the Jacobian - Force Mapping and Singularities

- The relationship between joint torque and end effector force and moments is given by:

$$\underline{\tau} = J(\underline{\theta})^T \underline{F}$$

- The rank of $J(\underline{\theta})^T$ is equals the rank of $J(\underline{\theta})$.
- At a singular configuration there exists a non trivial force \underline{F} such that

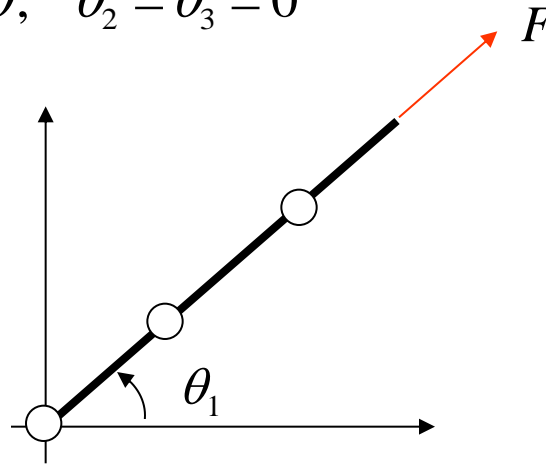
$$J(\underline{\theta})^T \underline{F} = 0$$

- In other words, a finite force can be applied to the end effector that produces no torque at the robot's joints. In the singular configuration, the manipulator can "lock up."



Properties of the Jacobian - Force Mapping and Singularities

- **Example:** Planar 3R $\theta_1 = \theta$; $\theta_2 = \theta_3 = 0$



- In this case the force acting on the end effector (relative to the $\{0\}$ frame) is given by

$${}^0F = \begin{bmatrix} Fc_1 \\ Fs_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Properties of the Jacobian - Force Mapping and Singularities

$${}^0_{\tau} = {}^0 J(\underline{\theta})^T {}^0 F = \begin{bmatrix} -L_1 s_1 - L_2 s_{12} - L_3 s_{123} & L_1 c_1 + L_2 c_{12} + L_3 c_{123} & 1 \\ -L_2 s_{12} - L_3 s_{123} & L_2 c_{12} + L_3 c_{123} & 1 \\ -L_3 s_{123} & L_3 c_{123} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F c_1 \\ F s_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- For $\theta_1 = \theta$; $\theta_2 = \theta_3 = 0$ we get

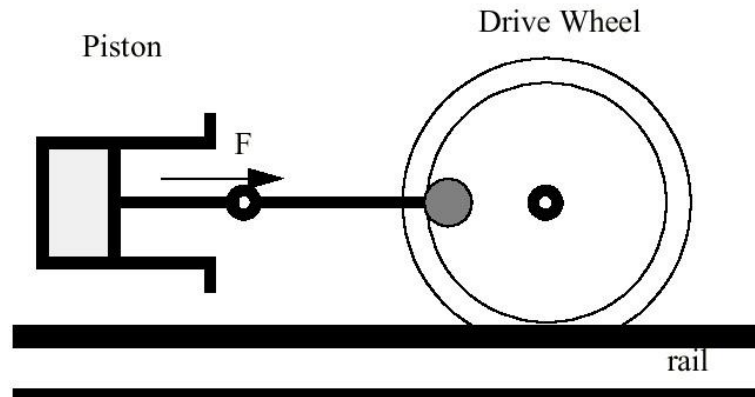
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$$\begin{bmatrix} -F s_1 c_1 (L_1 + L_2 + L_3) + F s_1 c_1 (L_1 + L_2 + L_3) \\ -F s_1 c_1 (L_2 + L_3) + F s_1 c_1 (L_2 + L_3) \\ -F s_1 c_1 (L_3) + F s_1 c_1 (L_3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Properties of the Jacobian - Force Mapping and Singularities

- This situation is an old and famous one in mechanical engineering.
- For example, in the steam locomotive, “top dead center” refers to the following condition



- The piston force, F , cannot generate any torque around the drive wheel axis because the linkage is singular in the position shown.



Properties of the Jacobian - Velocity Mapping and Singularities

- We have shown the relationship between joint space velocity and end effector velocity, given by

$$\underline{\dot{x}} = J(\underline{\theta})\underline{\dot{\theta}}$$

- It is interesting to determine the inverse of this relationship, namely

$$\underline{\dot{\theta}} = J(\underline{\theta})^{-1}\underline{\dot{x}}$$



Properties of the Jacobian - Velocity Mapping and Singularities

- Consider the square 6x6 case for $J(\underline{\theta})$.
- If $\text{rank} < 6$ ($\text{Det}(J(\underline{\theta})) = 0$), then there is no solution to the inverse equation (see Brief Linear Algebra Review - 1,7).

$$\text{Rank}(J(\underline{\theta})) < 6$$

$$\underline{\dot{\theta}} = J(\underline{\theta})^{-1} \underline{\dot{x}}$$

- However, if the rank = 5, then there is at least one non-trivial solution to the forward equation (see Brief Linear Algebra Review - 7). That is, for

$$\underline{\dot{x}} = J(\underline{\theta})\underline{\dot{\theta}} = 0$$

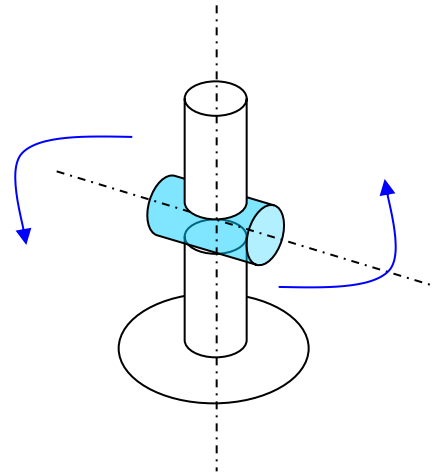


Properties of the Jacobian - Velocity Mapping and Singularities

- The solution is a direction $(\underline{\theta})$ in the in joint velocity space for which joint motion produces no end effector motion.
- We call any joint configuration $\underline{\theta} = Q$ for which

$$\text{Rank}(J(\underline{\theta})) < 6$$

a *singular configuration*.





Properties of the Jacobian - Velocity Mapping and Singularities

- For certain directions of end effector motion, $\underline{\dot{x}}_i$ $1 \leq i \leq 6$

$$\underline{\dot{x}} = J(\underline{\theta})\underline{\dot{\theta}} = \lambda_i(\underline{\theta})\underline{\omega}_i$$

where:

- λ_i are the eigenvalues of $J(\underline{\theta})$
 - $\underline{\omega}_i$ are the eigenvectors of $J(\underline{\theta})$
- If $J(\underline{\theta})$ is fully ranked (see Brief Linear Algebra Review - 6/), we have

$$\underline{\omega}_i = J(\underline{\theta})^{-1} \underline{\dot{x}} = \lambda_i(\underline{\theta})^{-1} \underline{\dot{x}}$$



Properties of the Jacobian - Velocity Mapping and Singularities

- As the joint approach a singular configuration $\underline{\theta} = Q$ there is at least one eigenvalue for which $\lambda_i \rightarrow 0$. This results in

$$\underline{\omega}_i = \frac{\dot{x}}{\lambda_i(\underline{\theta})} \rightarrow \frac{\dot{x}}{0} \rightarrow \infty$$

- In other word, as the joints approach the singular configuration, the end effector motion in a particular task direction $\underline{\dot{x}}_j$ causes the joint velocities to approach infinity. However, there are task velocities that can have solutions.
- If $J(\underline{\theta})$ loses rank by only one, then there are $n-1$ eigenvectors in the task velocity space ($\underline{\dot{x}}_j$) for which solutions do exist. However, there can be multiple solutions.





PROBLEM 2

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$${}^0_6R = {}^0_3R \underbrace{{}^3_4R \quad {}^4_6R}$$

$${}^0_3R \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} R(\alpha_3) & I & R(\theta_4) & I \\ \hline \uparrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ D_{x_3}(a_3) & & & D_{z_4}(d_4) \end{array} \right) {}^4_6R$$

PROBLEM 1 $\rightarrow {}^0_6R = \left[{}^0_3R \quad R_{x_3}(\alpha_3) \right] \left[R_{z_4}(\theta_4) {}^4_6R \right]$

$$R_{z_4}(\theta_4) {}^4_6R = \left[{}^0_3R \quad R_{x_3}(\alpha_3) \right]^{-1} \left[{}^0_6R \right]$$

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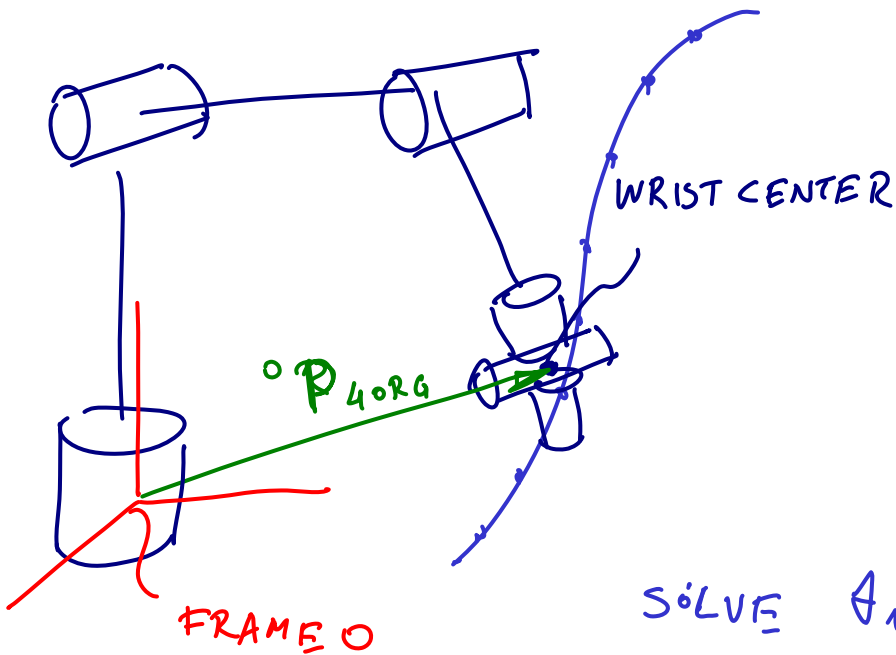
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PROBLEM 1

INVERSE POSITION KIM.

$${}^0P_4 = {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 {}^3P_{4ORG}$$

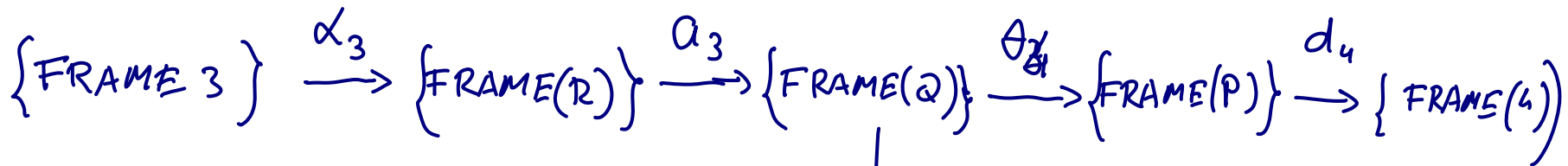


$${}^3_4T = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} {}^3_4R & {}^3P_{4ORG} \\ \hline & \end{array} \right]$$

SOLVE $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$



$${}^0T_6 = \underbrace{{}^0T_1 \quad {}^1T_2 \quad {}^2T_3}_{\text{PROBLEM 1}} \bigg| \underbrace{{}^3T_4 \quad {}^4T_5 \quad {}^5T_6}_{\text{PROBLEM 2}}$$



$$R_{x_3}(\alpha_3) D_{x_3}(a_3) \bigg| R_{z_4}(\theta_4) D_{z_4}(d_4)$$

PROBLEM 1
 ${}^3T_4 \bigg| \theta_4 = 0$

PROBLEM 2
 ${}^3T_4 \bigg| \alpha_3 = 0$

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