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# ROBOTICS

**Chapter 3 – Differential Kinematics and Statics** 

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# 3. DIFFERENTIAL KINEMATICS AND STATICS

#### Differential Kinematics:

- \* The relationship between the joint velocities and the corresponding end-effector linear and angular
- This mapping is described by a matrix, termed *Geometric Jacobian*, which depends on the manipulator configuration.
- □ Analytical Jacobian:
  - The end-effector pose is expressed with reference to a minimal representation in the operational space, it is possible to compute the Jacobian matrix via differentiation of the direct kinematics function with respect to the joint variables.



- **3. DIFFERENTIAL KINEMATICS AND STATICS**
- □ The *Jacobian* is used for:
  - Finding singularities
  - Analyzing redundancy
  - Determining inverse kinematics algorithms
  - Describing the mapping between forces applied to the end-effector and resulting torques at the joints (statics)
  - Deriving dynamic equations of motion
  - Designing operational space control schemes



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# 3.1 GEOMETRIC JACOBIAN

□ The direct kinematics equation for an n-DOF manipulator:

$$oldsymbol{T}_e(oldsymbol{q}) = \begin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{R}_e(oldsymbol{q}) & oldsymbol{p}_e(oldsymbol{q}) \\ oldsymbol{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} oldsymbol{q} = \begin{bmatrix} q_1 & \dots & q_n \end{bmatrix}^T$$

□ It is desired to express the end-effector linear velocity  $\dot{p}_e$  and angular velocity  $\omega_e$  as a function of the joint velocities  $\dot{q}$ 

$$\rightarrow \dot{\boldsymbol{p}}_e = \boldsymbol{J}_P(\boldsymbol{q}) \dot{\boldsymbol{q}}$$

$$ightarrow \omega_e = oldsymbol{J}_O(oldsymbol{q}) \dot{oldsymbol{q}}$$



#### 3.1 GEOMETRIC JACOBIAN

□ The manipulator differential kinematics equation:

$$oldsymbol{v}_e = egin{bmatrix} \dot{oldsymbol{p}}_e \ oldsymbol{\omega}_e \end{bmatrix} = oldsymbol{J}(oldsymbol{q}) \dot{oldsymbol{q}}$$

✤ The (6×n) matrix J is the manipulator geometric Jacobian:

$$oldsymbol{J} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{J}_P \ oldsymbol{J}_O \end{bmatrix}$$

✓  $J_P$ : (3 × n) matrix relating the contribution of joint velocities to end-effector linear velocity ✓  $J_O$ : (3 × n) matrix relating the contribution of joint velocities to end-effector angular velocity



□ The derivative of a rotation matrix with respect to time:

\* A time-varying rotation matrix R(t)

R = R(t) R = R(t)  $R(t)R^{T}(t) = I$   $\dot{R}(t)R^{T}(t) + R(t)\dot{R}^{T}(t) = O$   $\dot{R}(t)R^{T}(t) + R(t)\dot{R}^{T}(t) = O$ 

$$\boldsymbol{S}(t) = \dot{\boldsymbol{R}}(t)\boldsymbol{R}^T(t)$$

 $\checkmark$  The (3  $\times$  3) matrix S is skew-symmetric since:

 $\boldsymbol{S}(t) + \boldsymbol{S}^T(t) = \boldsymbol{O}$ 



\* Postmultiplying both sides by R(t):

 $\boldsymbol{S}(t) = \dot{\boldsymbol{R}}(t)\boldsymbol{R}^{T}(t) \implies \dot{\boldsymbol{R}}(t) = \boldsymbol{S}(t)\boldsymbol{R}(t)$ 

✓ The time derivative of R(t) is expressed as a function of R(t).

\* Consider a constant vector p' and the vector p(t) = R(t) p':

 $\dot{\boldsymbol{p}}(t) = \dot{\boldsymbol{R}}(t)\boldsymbol{p}' \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \dot{\boldsymbol{p}}(t) = \boldsymbol{S}(t)\boldsymbol{R}(t)\boldsymbol{p}'$ 

✓ It is known from mechanics that ( $\omega(t)$  denotes the angular velocity of frame R(t) with respect to the reference frame):

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{p}}(t) = \boldsymbol{\omega}(t) \times \boldsymbol{R}(t) \boldsymbol{p}'$$



□ Therefore, the matrix operator S(t) describes the vector product between the vector  $\omega$  and the vector R(t)p.

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x & \omega_y & \omega_z \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\boldsymbol{\longrightarrow} \quad \boldsymbol{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_z & \omega_y \\ \omega_z & 0 & -\omega_x \\ -\omega_y & \omega_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\longrightarrow} \quad \dot{\boldsymbol{R}} = \boldsymbol{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}(t))$$

$$\boldsymbol{\longrightarrow} \quad \dot{\boldsymbol{R}} = \boldsymbol{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega})\boldsymbol{R}$$

It can be shown that:

$$RS(\omega)R^T = S(R\omega)$$



□ Example 3.1

The elementary rotation matrix about axis z

$$\boldsymbol{R}_{z}(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & 0\\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\boldsymbol{S}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -\dot{\alpha}\sin \alpha & -\dot{\alpha}\cos \alpha & 0\\ \dot{\alpha}\cos \alpha & -\dot{\alpha}\sin \alpha & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha & 0\\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\dot{\alpha} & 0\\ \dot{\alpha} & 0 & 0\\ \dot{\alpha} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \boldsymbol{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)).$$
$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$



□ The coordinate transformation of a point P from Frame 1 to Frame 0:

$$p^{0} = o_{1}^{0} + R_{1}^{0}p^{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{p}^{0} = \dot{o}_{1}^{0} + R_{1}^{0}\dot{p}^{1} + \dot{R}_{1}^{0}p^{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{p}^{0} = \dot{o}_{1}^{0} + R_{1}^{0}\dot{p}^{1} + S(\omega_{1}^{0})R_{1}^{0}p^{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{p}^{0} = \dot{o}_{1}^{0} + R_{1}^{0}\dot{p}^{1} + \omega_{1}^{0} \times r_{1}^{0}$$

\* which is the known form of the velocity composition rule.



□ Using Denavit–Hartenberg convention:





 $\square$   $p_{i-1}$  and  $p_i$ : Position vectors of the origins of Frames i-1 and i

$$egin{aligned} m{p}_i &= m{p}_{i-1} + m{R}_{i-1}m{r}_{i-1,i}^{i-1} \ & igodots \dot{m{p}}_i &= \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{R}_{i-1}\dot{m{r}}_{i-1,i}^{i-1} + m{\omega}_{i-1} imes m{R}_{i-1}m{r}_{i-1,i}^{i-1} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{v}_{i-1,i} + m{\omega}_{i-1} imes m{r}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{v}_{i-1,i} + m{\omega}_{i-1} imes m{r}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{v}_{i-1,i} + m{\omega}_{i-1} imes m{r}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{v}_{i-1,i} + m{\omega}_{i-1} imes m{r}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{v}_{i-1,i} + m{\omega}_{i-1} imes m{r}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{v}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} + m{v}_{i-1,i} + m{\omega}_{i-1} imes m{r}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1} \ & = \dot{m{p}}_{i-1,i} \ & = \dot$$

\* The linear velocity of Link *i* as a function of the translational and rotational velocities of Link i - 1



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□ Link angular velocity:

 $R_i = R_{i-1}R_i^{i-1}$  $\implies \boldsymbol{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i)\boldsymbol{R}_i = \boldsymbol{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1})\boldsymbol{R}_i + \boldsymbol{R}_{i-1}\boldsymbol{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i}^{i-1})\boldsymbol{R}_i^{i-1}$  $\implies \mathbf{R}_{i-1} \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i}^{i-1}) \mathbf{R}_{i}^{i-1} = \mathbf{R}_{i-1} \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i}^{i-1}) \mathbf{R}_{i-1}^T \mathbf{R}_{i-1} \mathbf{R}_{i}^{i-1}$  $\implies \mathbf{R}_{i-1} \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i}^{i-1}) \mathbf{R}_i^{i-1} = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{R}_{i-1} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i}^{i-1}) \mathbf{R}_i$  $\implies S(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i)\boldsymbol{R}_i = S(\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1})\boldsymbol{R}_i + S(\boldsymbol{R}_{i-1}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i}^{i-1})\boldsymbol{R}_i$  $\longrightarrow \omega_i = \omega_{i-1} + R_{i-1}\omega_{i-1,i}^{i-1} = \omega_{i-1} + \omega_{i-1,i}$ 



Prismatic joint

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i} &= oldsymbol{0} \ oldsymbol{v}_{i-1,i} &= \dot{d}_i oldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\stackrel{\mathbb{I}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\mathbb{I}}{\stackrel{}{\Rightarrow}}_{i} = \dot{\boldsymbol{p}}_{i-1} + \dot{d}_{i}\boldsymbol{z}_{i-1} + \boldsymbol{\omega}_{i} \times \boldsymbol{r}_{i-1,i}$$



□ Revolute joint

$$egin{aligned} & oldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i} = \dot{artheta}_i oldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \ & oldsymbol{v}_{i-1,i} = oldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i} imes oldsymbol{r}_{i-1,i} \ & oldsymbol{\omega}_i = oldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1} + \dot{artheta}_i oldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \ & oldsymbol{\dot{p}}_i = \dot{oldsymbol{p}}_{i-1} + oldsymbol{\omega}_i imes oldsymbol{r}_{i-1,i} \end{aligned}$$



#### 3.1.3 JACOBIAN COMPUTATION

it is convenient to proceed separately for linear velocity and angular velocity.
 The *linear velocity*

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{p}}_e = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{p}_e}{\partial q_i} \dot{q}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{j}_{Pi} \dot{q}_i$$

✓ A prismatic joint

$$q_i = d_i \quad \longrightarrow \quad \dot{q}_i \boldsymbol{j}_{Pi} = \dot{d}_i \boldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{j}_{Pi} = \boldsymbol{z}_{i-1}$$

✓ A revolute joint



#### **3.1.3 JACOBIAN COMPUTATION**

□ Velocity contribution of a revolute joint to the end-effector linear velocity





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#### **3.1.2 LINK VELOCITIES**

The angular velocity

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}_e = \boldsymbol{\omega}_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\omega}_{i-1,i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\jmath}_{Oi} \dot{q}_i$$

✓ A prismatic joint

$$\dot{q}_i \boldsymbol{j}_{Oi} = \boldsymbol{0} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{j}_{Oi} = \boldsymbol{0}$$

✓ A revolute joint

$$\dot{q}_i \boldsymbol{\jmath}_{Oi} = \vartheta_i \boldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{\jmath}_{Oi} = \boldsymbol{z}_{i-1}$$



□ The Jacobian

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{j}_{P1} & \boldsymbol{j}_{Pn} \\ \boldsymbol{j}_{O1} & \boldsymbol{j}_{On} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{j}_{Pi} \\ \boldsymbol{j}_{Oi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \\ \boldsymbol{0} \end{bmatrix} & \text{for a prismatic joint} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \times (\boldsymbol{p}_e - \boldsymbol{p}_{i-1}) \\ \boldsymbol{z}_{i-1} \end{bmatrix} & \text{for a revolute joint.}$$



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#### 3.1.2 LINK VELOCITIES

□ The vectors  $Z_{i-1}$ ,  $p_e$  and  $p_{i-1}$  are all functions of the joint variables:

Sacobian in a different Frame u:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{p}_{e}^{u} \\ \omega_{e}^{u} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R^{u} & O \\ O & R^{u} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p}_{e} \\ \omega_{e} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R^{u} & O \\ O & R^{u} \end{bmatrix} J\dot{q}$$
  
 $\longrightarrow J^{u} = \begin{bmatrix} R^{u} & O \\ O & R^{u} \end{bmatrix} J$   
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□ 3.2.1 Three-link Planar Arm

$$J(q) = \begin{bmatrix} z_0 \times (p_3 - p_0) & z_1 \times (p_3 - p_1) & z_2 \times (p_3 - p_2) \\ z_0 & z_1 & z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1c_1 \\ a_1s_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_2 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1c_1 + a_2c_12 \\ a_1s_1 + a_2s_12 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_3 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1c_1 + a_2c_12 + a_3c_{123} \\ a_1s_1 + a_2s_{12} + a_3s_{123} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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#### □ 3.2.1 Three-link Planar Arm



□ 3.2.2 Anthropomorphic Arm

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} z_0 \times (p_3 - p_0) & z_1 \times (p_3 - p_1) & z_2 \times (p_3 - p_2) \\ z_0 & z_1 & z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_0 = p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad p_2 = \begin{bmatrix} a_2c_1c_2 \\ a_2s_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_3 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1(a_2c_2 + a_3c_{23}) \\ s_1(a_2c_2 + a_3c_{23}) \\ a_2s_2 + a_3s_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad z_1 = z_2 = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ -c_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## 3.2 Jacobian of Typical Manipulator Structures

#### □ 3.2.2 Anthropomorphic Arm



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$$\Rightarrow J_P = \begin{bmatrix} -s_1(a_2c_2 + a_3c_{23}) & -c_1(a_2s_2 + a_3s_{23}) & -a_3c_1s_{23} \\ c_1(a_2c_2 + a_3c_{23}) & -s_1(a_2s_2 + a_3s_{23}) & -a_3s_1s_{23} \\ 0 & a_2c_2 + a_3c_{23} & a_3c_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

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# **3.3 KINEMATIC SINGULARITIES**

The Jacobian in the differential kinematics equation of a manipulator defines a linear mapping:
  $v_e = J(q)\dot{q}$   $v_e = [\dot{p}_e^T \quad \omega_e^T]^T$ 

- Singularities represent configurations at which mobility of the structure is reduced,
   i.e., it is not possible to impose an arbitrary motion to the end-effector.
- When the structure is at a singularity, infinite solutions to the inverse kinematics problem may exist.
- In the neighborhood of a singularity, small velocities in the operational space may cause large velocities in the joint space.



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#### **3.3 KINEMATIC SINGULARITIES**

#### Boundary singularities:

- \* Occur when the manipulator is either outstretched or retracted.
- \* Do not represent a true drawback, since they can be avoided on condition that the manipulator is not driven to the boundaries of its reachable workspace.

#### □ Internal singularities:

- Occur inside the reachable workspace and are generally caused by the alignment of two or more axes of motion, or else by the attainment of particular end-effector configurations.
- Constitute a serious problem, as they can be encountered anywhere in the reachable workspace for a planned path in the operational space.



## **3.3 KINEMATIC SINGULARITIES**



- \* When the arm tip is located either on the outer ( $\vartheta 2 = 0$ ) or on the inner ( $\vartheta 2 = \pi$ ) boundary of the reachable workspace.
- Two column vectors of the Jacobian become parallel, and thus the Jacobian rank becomes one.



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#### **3.6 ANALYTICAL JACOBIAN**

□ If the end-effector pose is specified in terms of a minimal number of parameters, it is possible to compute the Jacobian via differentiation of the direct kinematics function with respect to the joint variables.



#### 3.8 STATICS

- The goal of statics is to determine the relationship between the generalized forces applied to the end-effector and the generalized forces applied to the joints (forces for prismatic joints, torques for revolute joints) with the manipulator at an equilibrium configuration.
- □ The application of the *principle of virtual work:* 
  - Solution States Stat

$$\rightarrow dW_{\tau} = \boldsymbol{\tau}^T d\boldsymbol{q}$$

End-effector forces

$$\implies dW_{\gamma} = \boldsymbol{f}_{e}^{T} d\boldsymbol{p}_{e} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{e}^{T} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{e} dt$$



# 3.8 STATICS

□ By accounting for the differential kinematics relationship:

$$dW_{\gamma} = \boldsymbol{f}_{e}^{T} d\boldsymbol{p}_{e} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{e}^{T} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{e} dt$$
  

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{e} = [\boldsymbol{f}_{e}^{T} \quad \boldsymbol{\mu}_{e}^{T}]^{T} \longrightarrow dW_{\gamma} = \boldsymbol{f}_{e}^{T} \boldsymbol{J}_{P}(\boldsymbol{q}) d\boldsymbol{q} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{e}^{T} \boldsymbol{J}_{O}(\boldsymbol{q}) d\boldsymbol{q}$$
  

$$= \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{e}^{T} \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{q}) d\boldsymbol{q}$$
  

$$\boldsymbol{\downarrow} \qquad \delta W_{\gamma} = \boldsymbol{\tau}_{e}^{T} \delta \boldsymbol{q}$$
  

$$\delta W_{\gamma} = \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{e}^{T} \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{q}) \delta \boldsymbol{q}$$

\* The manipulator is at static equilibrium if and only if:

$$\delta W_{\tau} = \delta W_{\gamma} \qquad \forall \delta \boldsymbol{q} \qquad \Longrightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{J}^{T}(\boldsymbol{q})\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{e}$$

