

Robot Perception and Learning

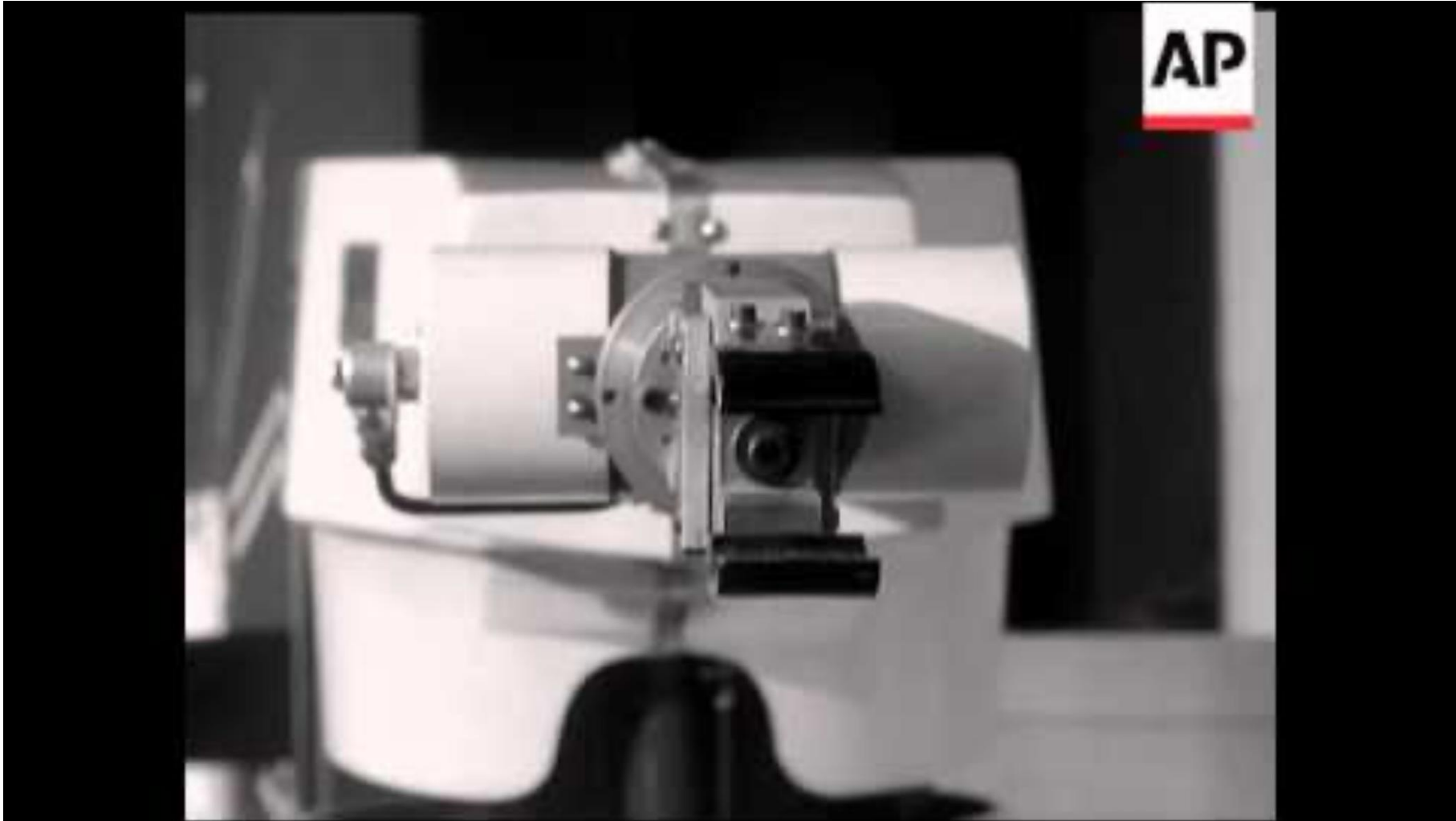
Robot Kinematics

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We want a Robot that can See and Move





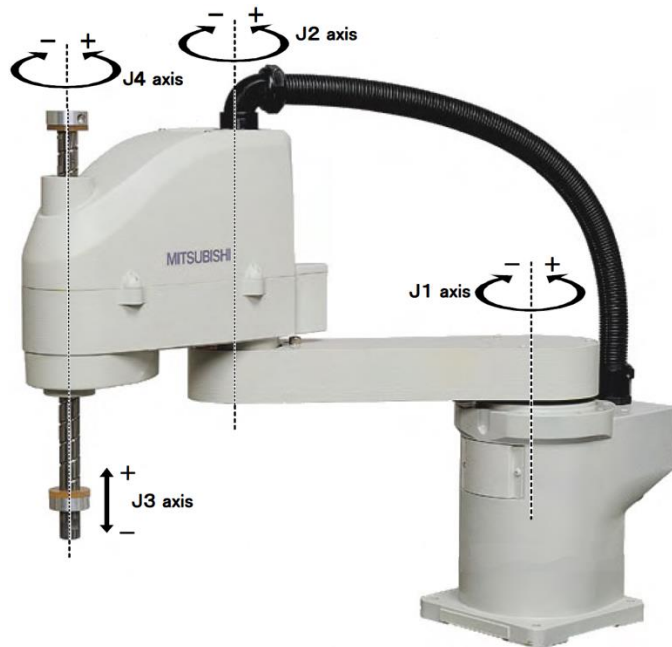
The Stanford Arm. 1969



PR2 Robot. 2008



Clone Synthetic Hand. 2023



SCARA Robot. 1978

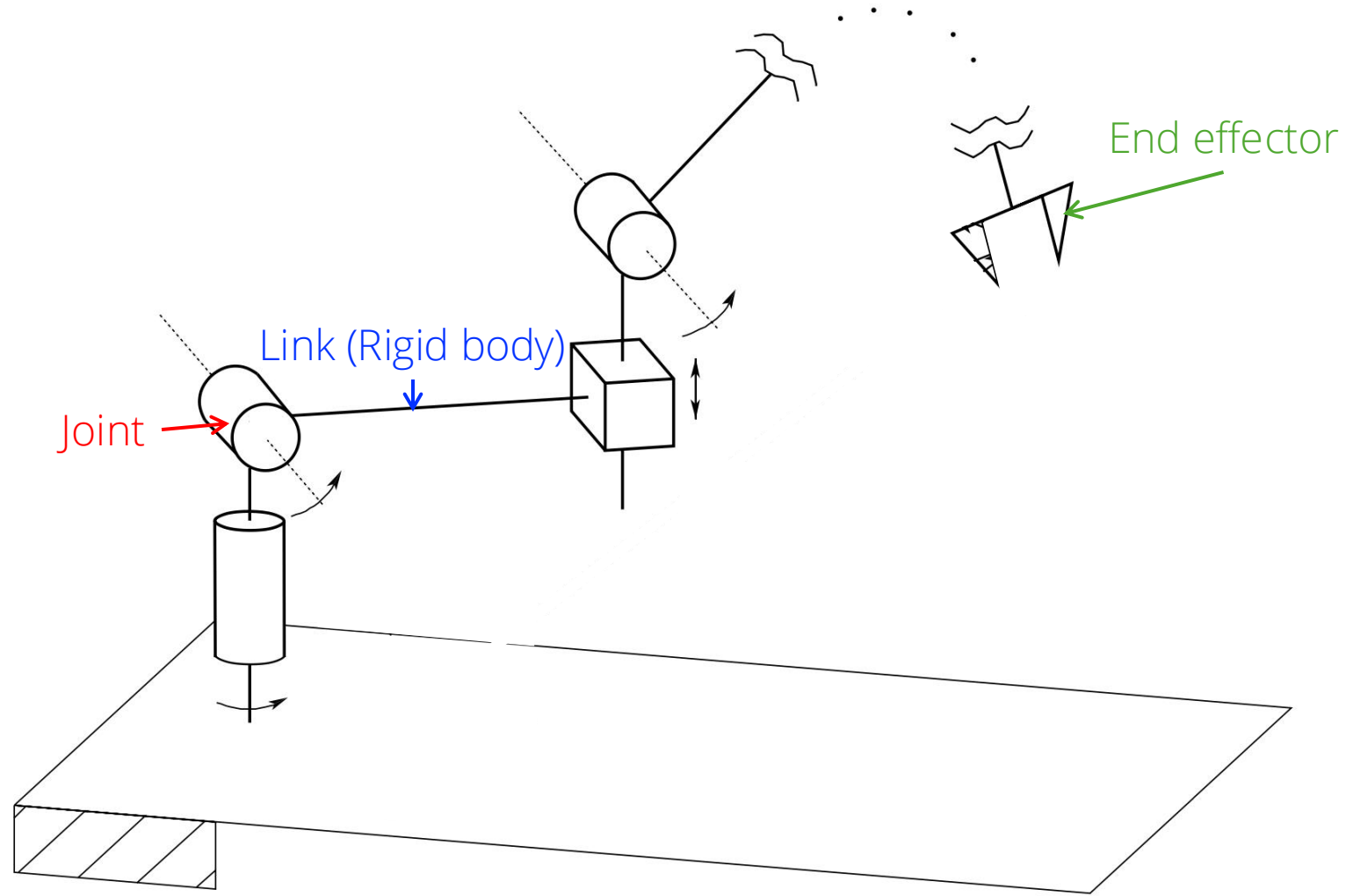


Franka Emika Panda Robot. 2017



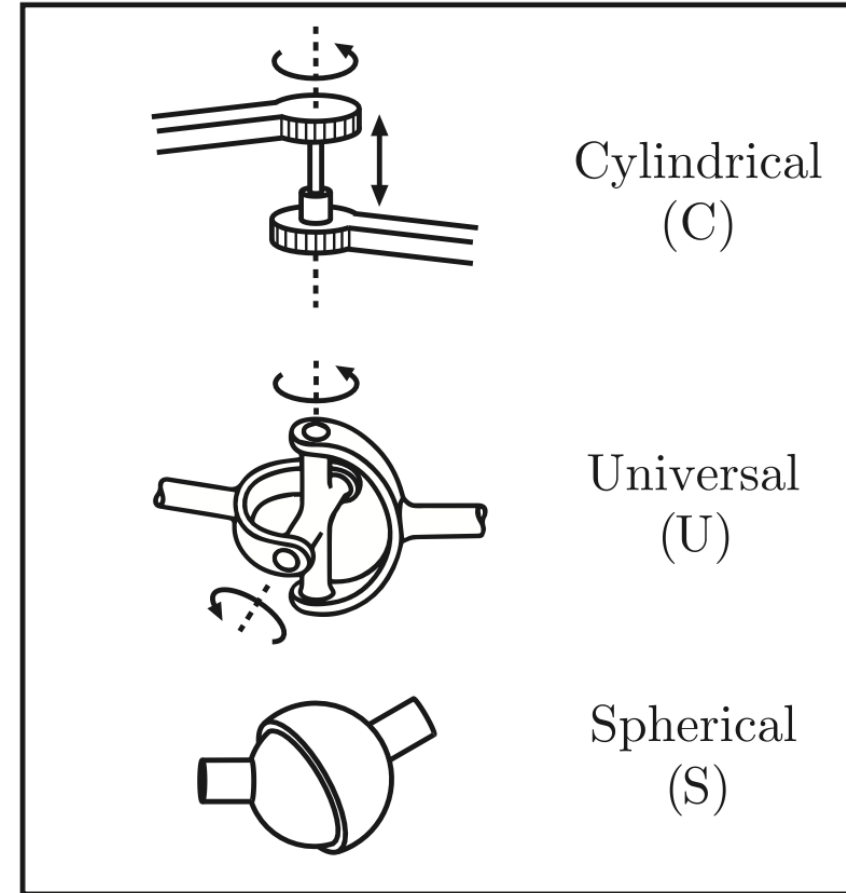
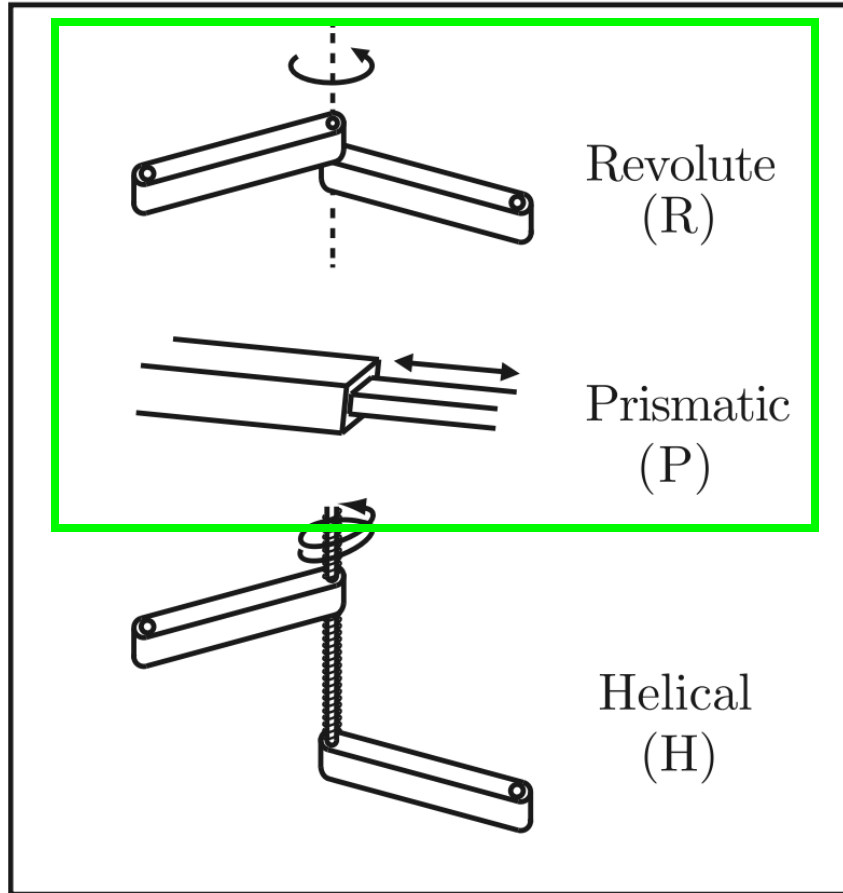
Active entanglement enables stochastic, topological grasping. Becker et al

Anatomy of Rigid Multi-Link Robots



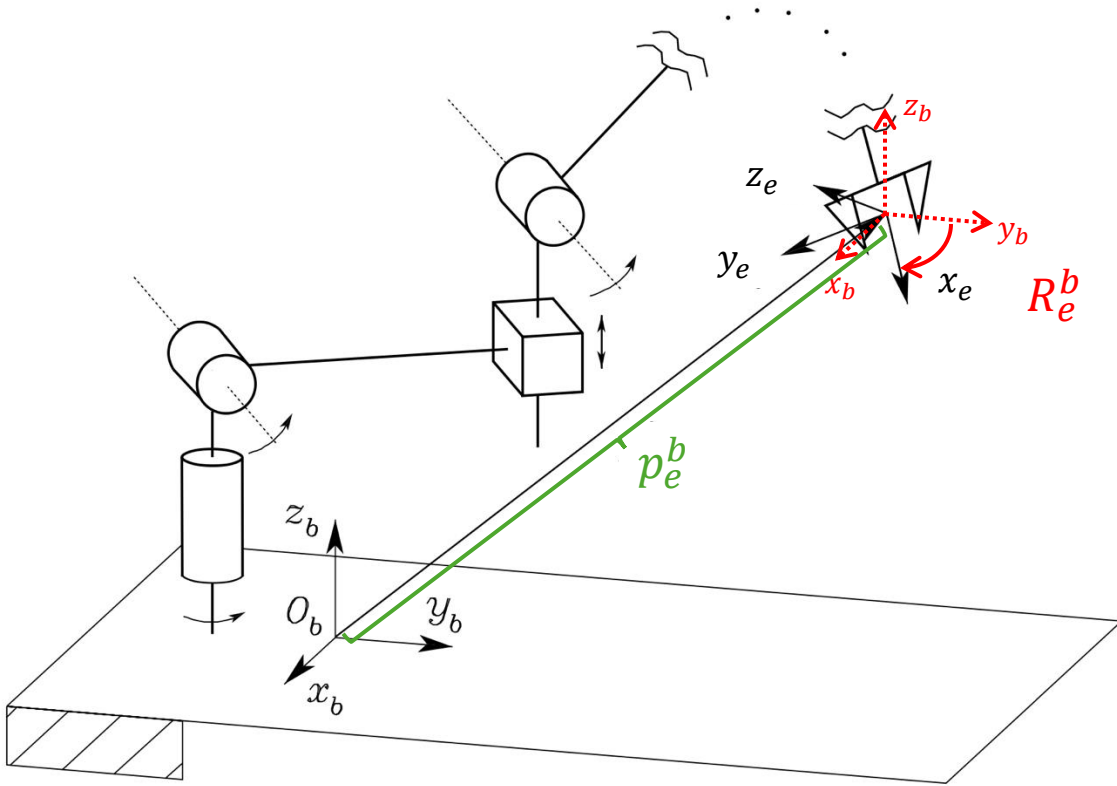
Typical Robot Joints

We will only discuss these two types of robot joints



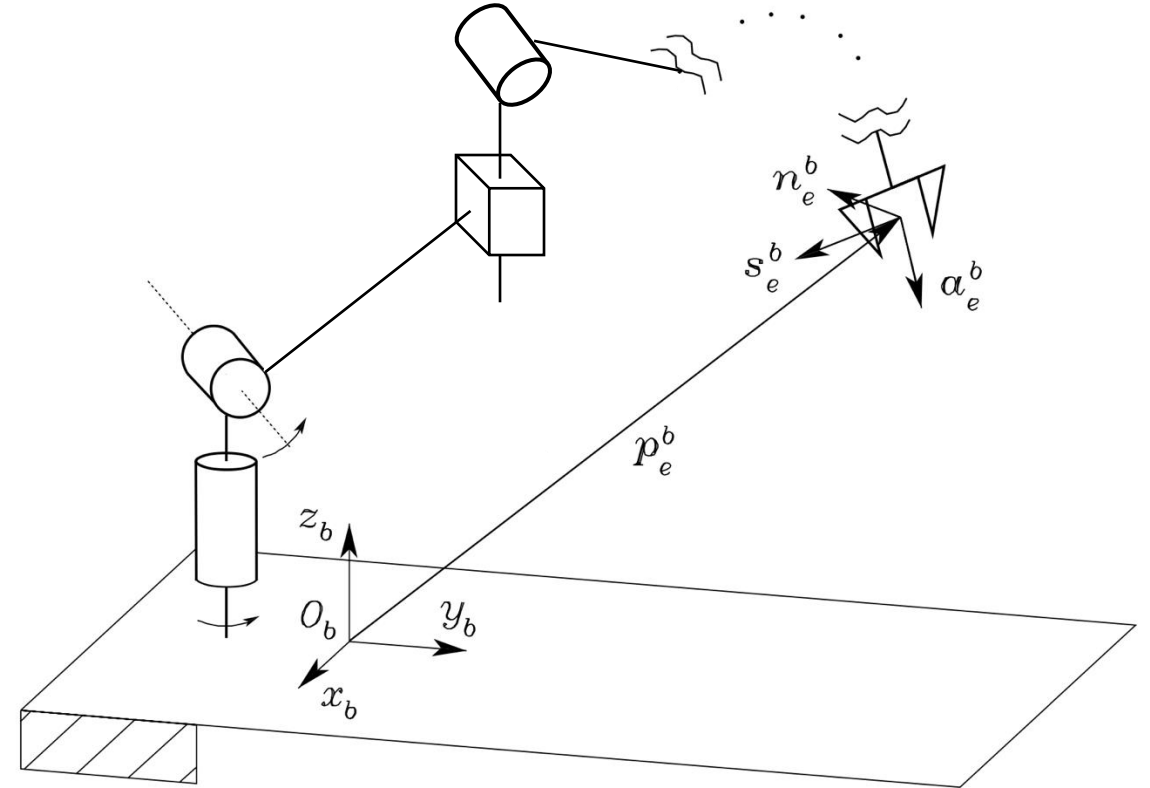
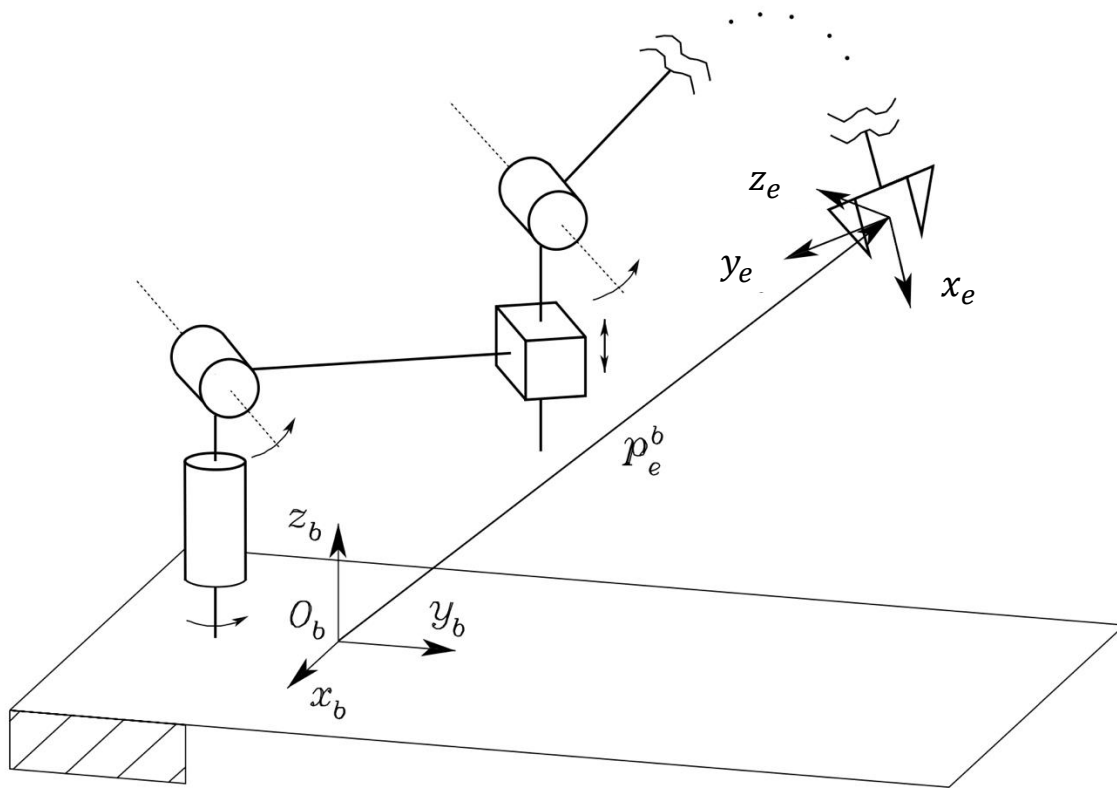
Where is the Robot?

Idea: Specify the end-effector pose (location p_e^b and rotation R_e^b)

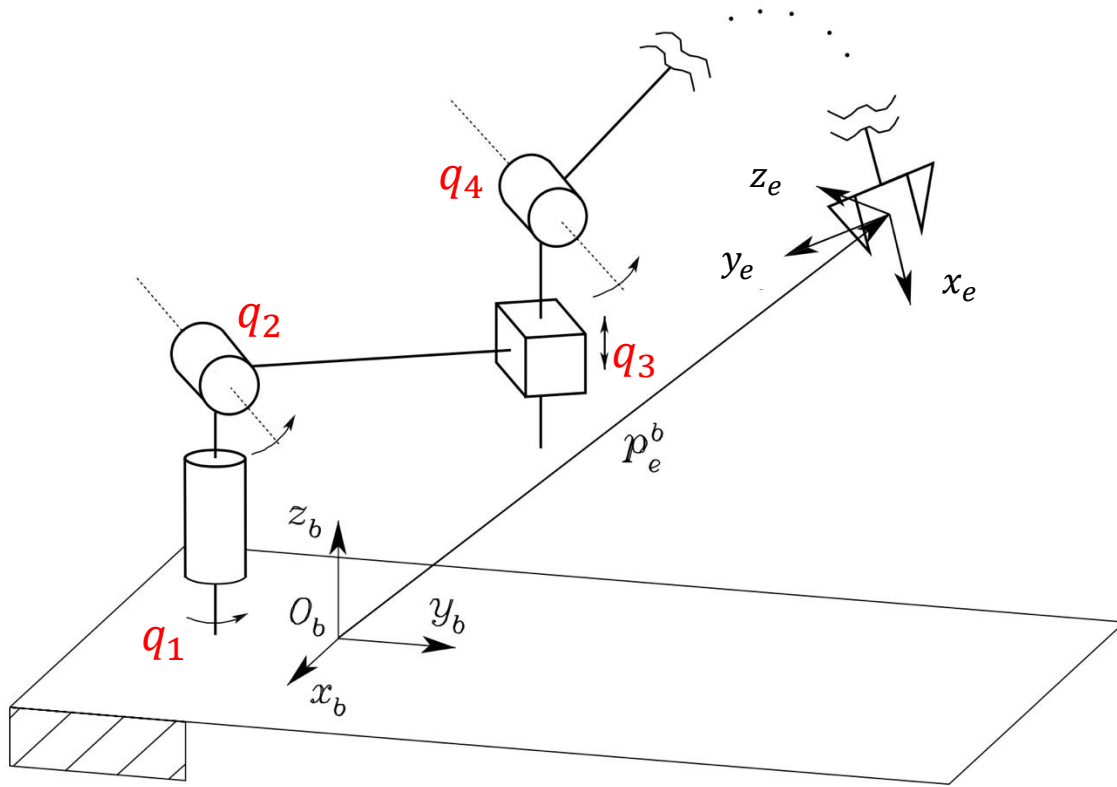


Where is the Robot?

However, these two **configurations** end up in the same end-effector pose



Configuration Space vs. Task (Operational) Space

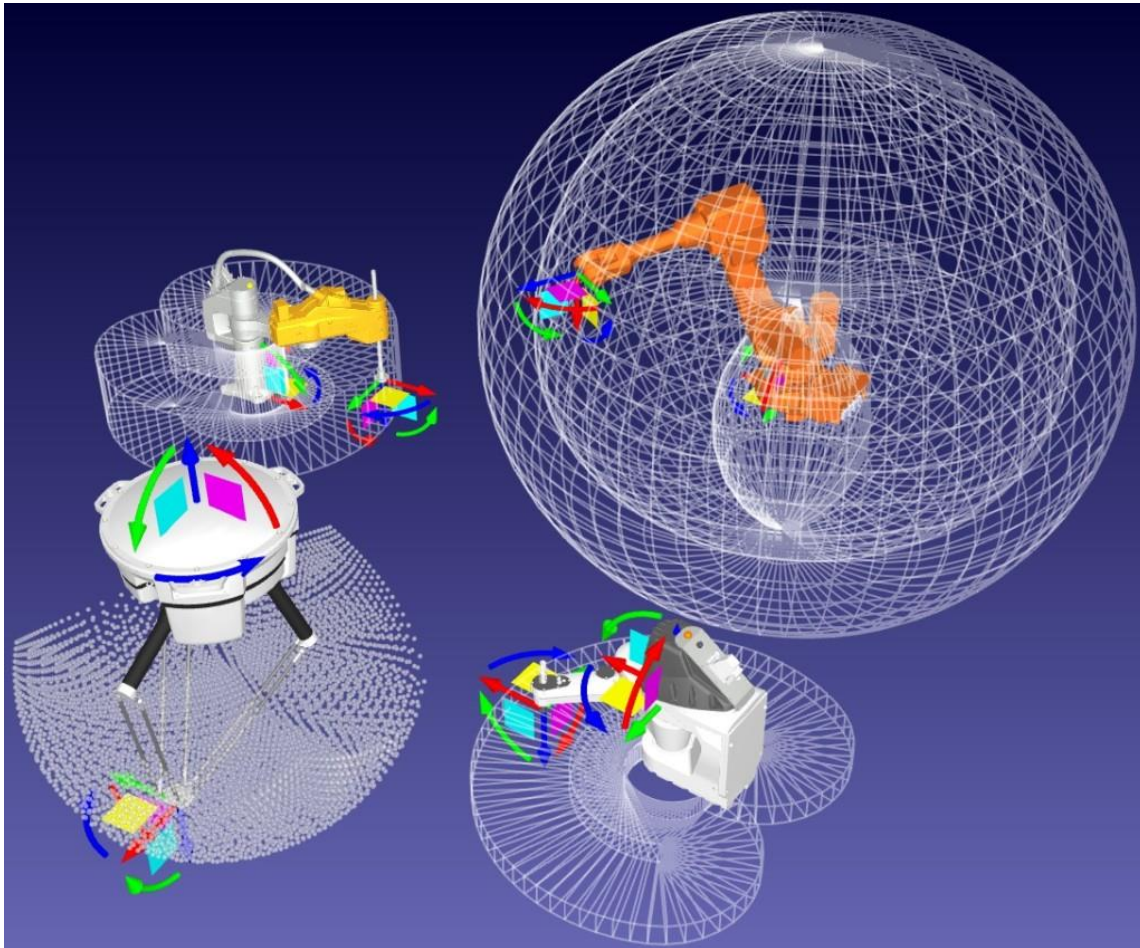


Configuration: a complete specification of the position of every point of the robot (e.g. angle of a revolute joint or displacement of a prismatic joint).

Configuration space (C-space): the n -dimensional space containing all possible configurations of the robot.

Task space: the space in which the robot's task is naturally expressed.

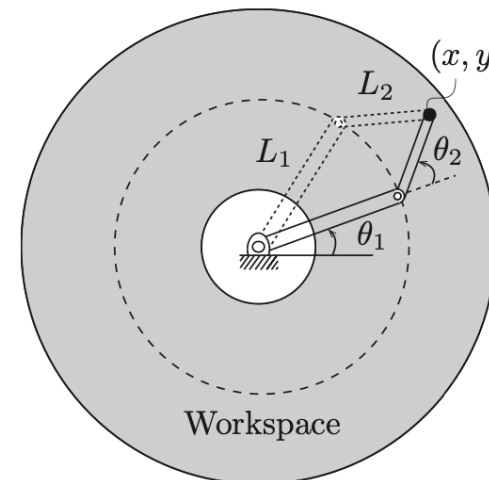
Task (Operational) Space vs. Work space



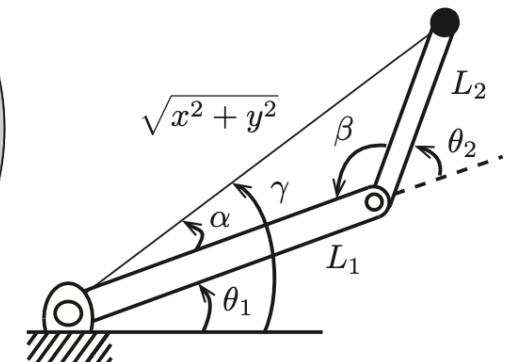
<https://robodk.com/blog/robot-workspace-visualization/>

Task space: the space in which the robot's task is naturally expressed.

Work space: the space in which the robot's end-effector can reach.

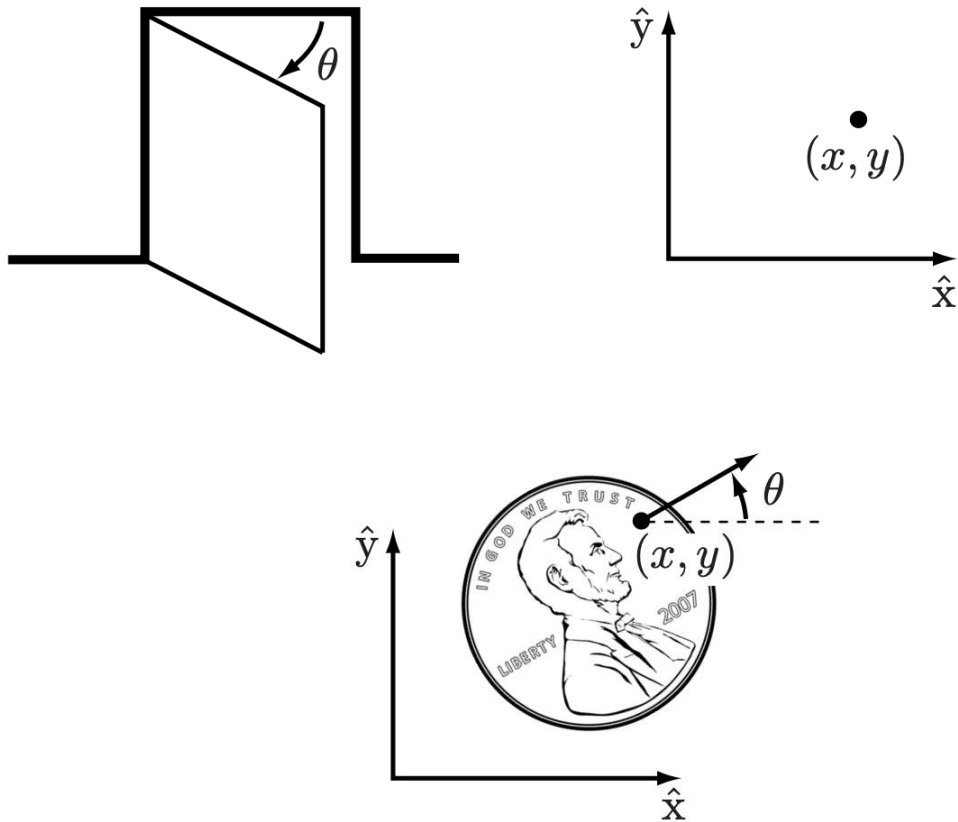


(a) A workspace, and lefty and righty configurations.

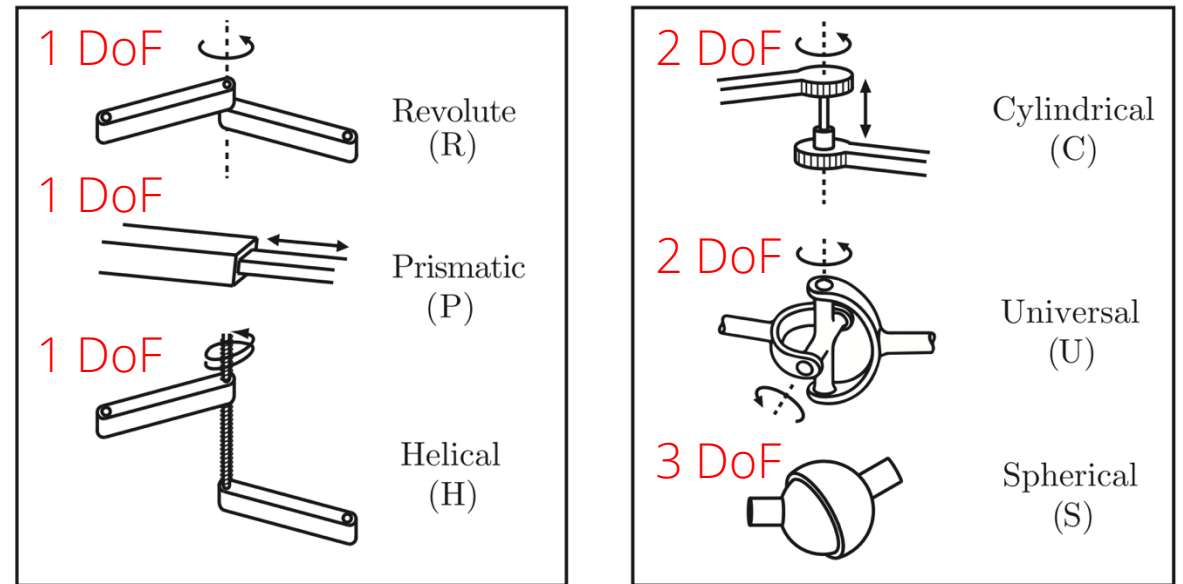


(b) Geometric solution.

Degree of Freedom

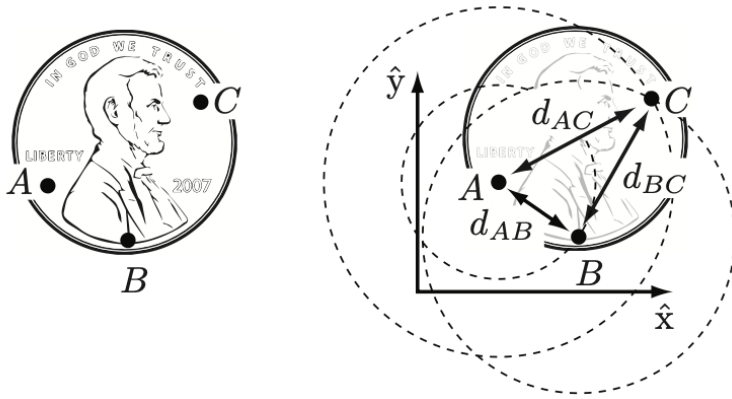


Degree of Freedom (DoF): The minimum number n of real-valued coordinates needed to represent the configuration.

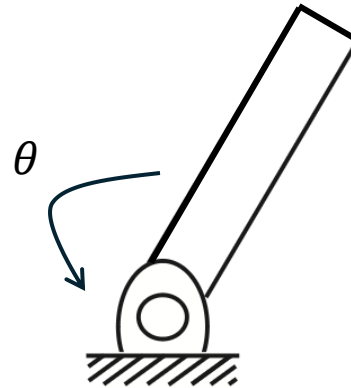


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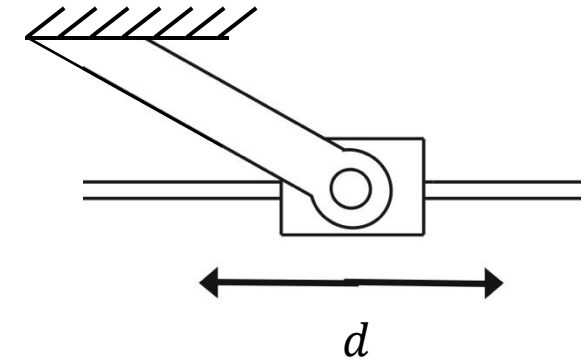
Degree of Freedom: sum of freedoms of the bodies - #. of independent constraints
or
#. of variables - #. of independent equations



#. of variables = 2 (coordinates) * 3 (points)
#. of independent equations = 3 (d_{AC}, d_{AB}, d_{BC})
DoF = 3 (x, y, θ)



#. of variables = 6 ($X, Y, Z, pitch, roll, yaw$)
#. of independent equations = 5
DoF = 1 (θ)



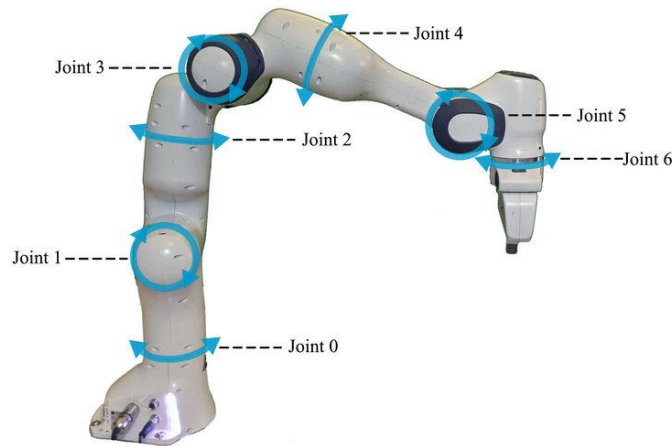
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A robot is kinematically redundant if it has more DoF than the dimension of the task space, which provides more solutions to reach a pose.

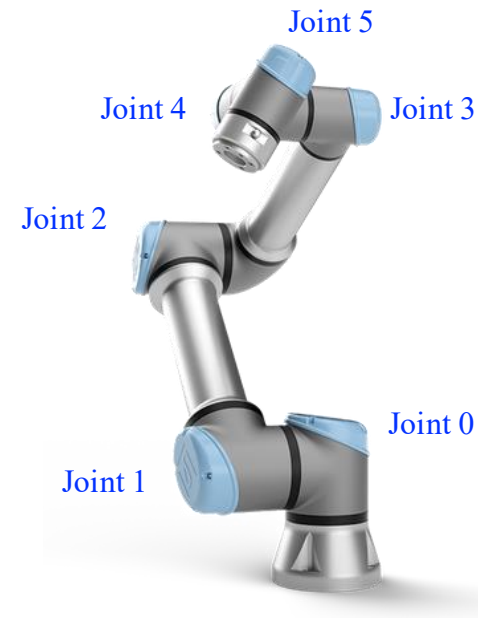
Grübler's formula for the number of degrees of freedom of the robot is

$$\text{dof} = \underbrace{m(\overset{\text{\#. links}}{N} - 1)}_{\text{rigid body freedoms}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^J c_i}_{\text{joint constraints}}$$

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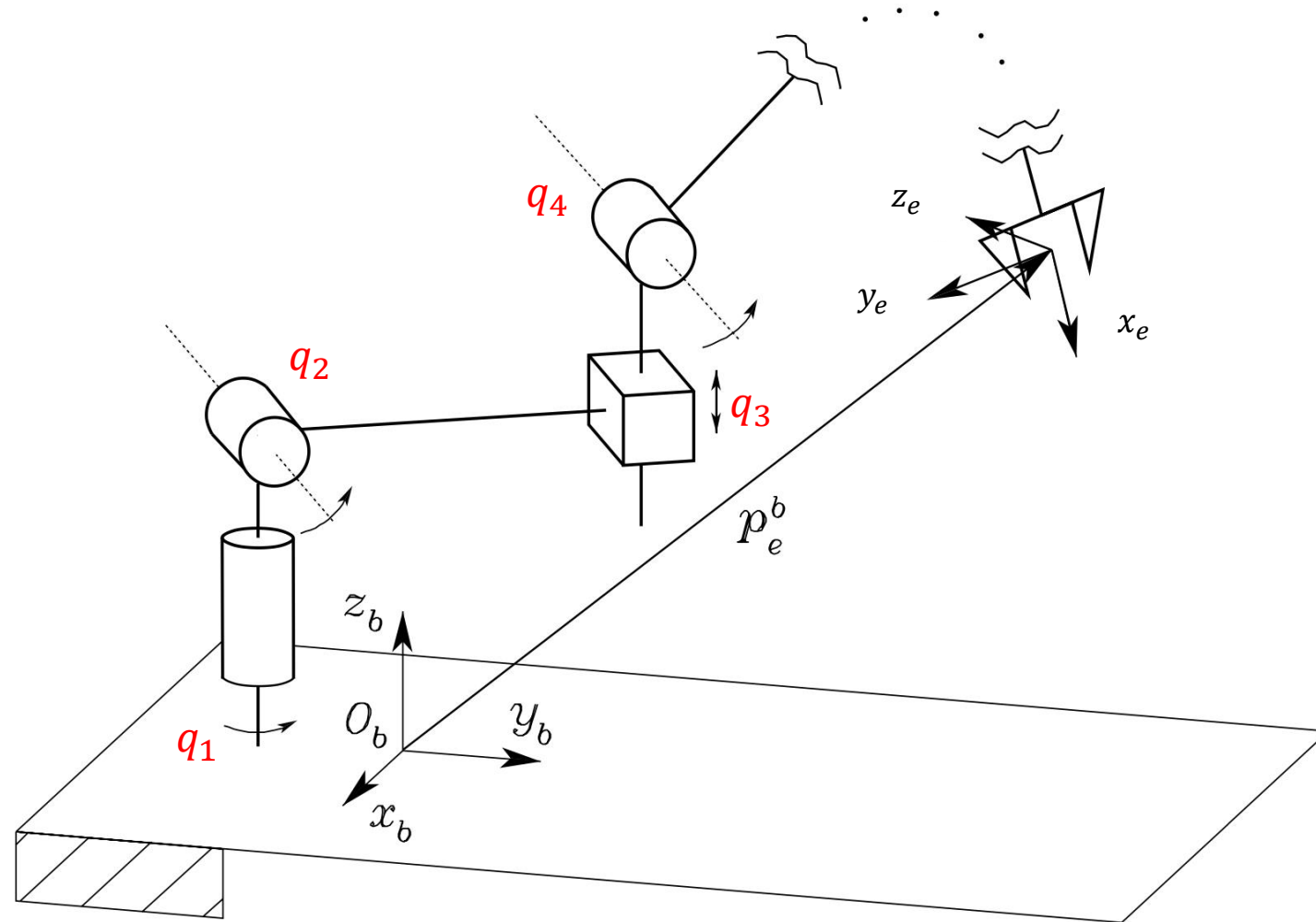
UR5E Robot



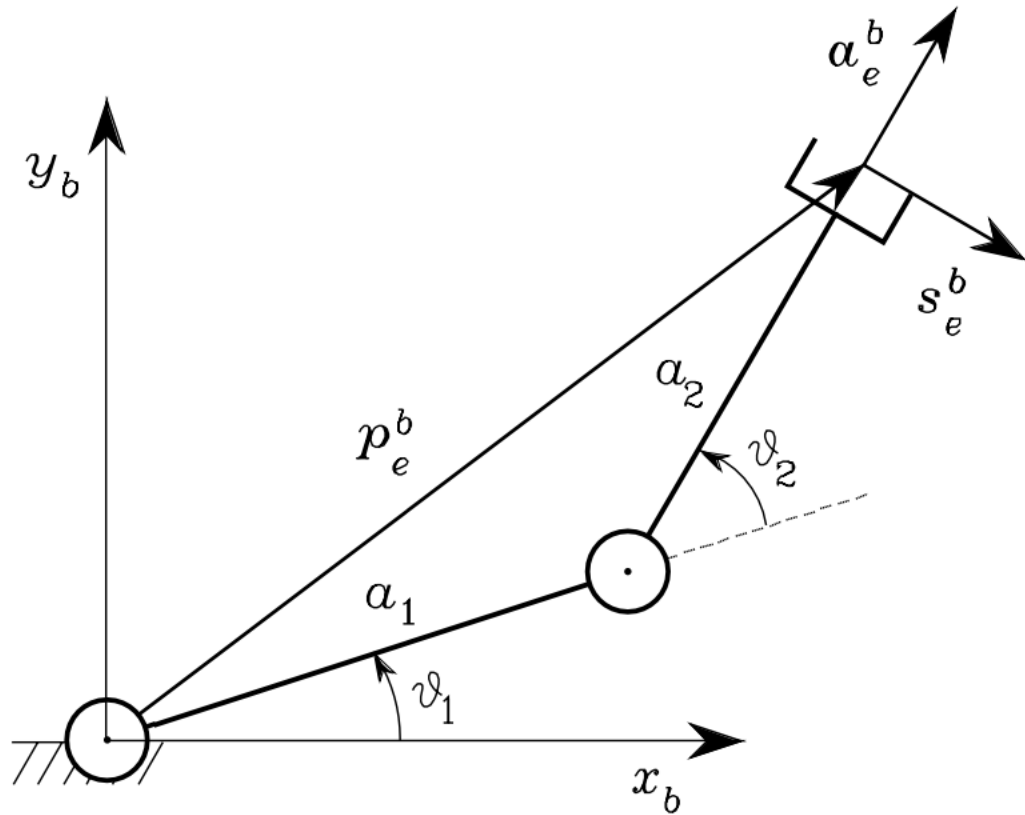
$$DoF = 6 * (\textcircled{8} - 1) - \sum_{i=0}^6 5 = 7$$

Why?

What is the Pose of a Robot's End Effector given Its Configuration?



Forward Kinematics: Calculate the Pose of a Robot End-Effector given the Configuration

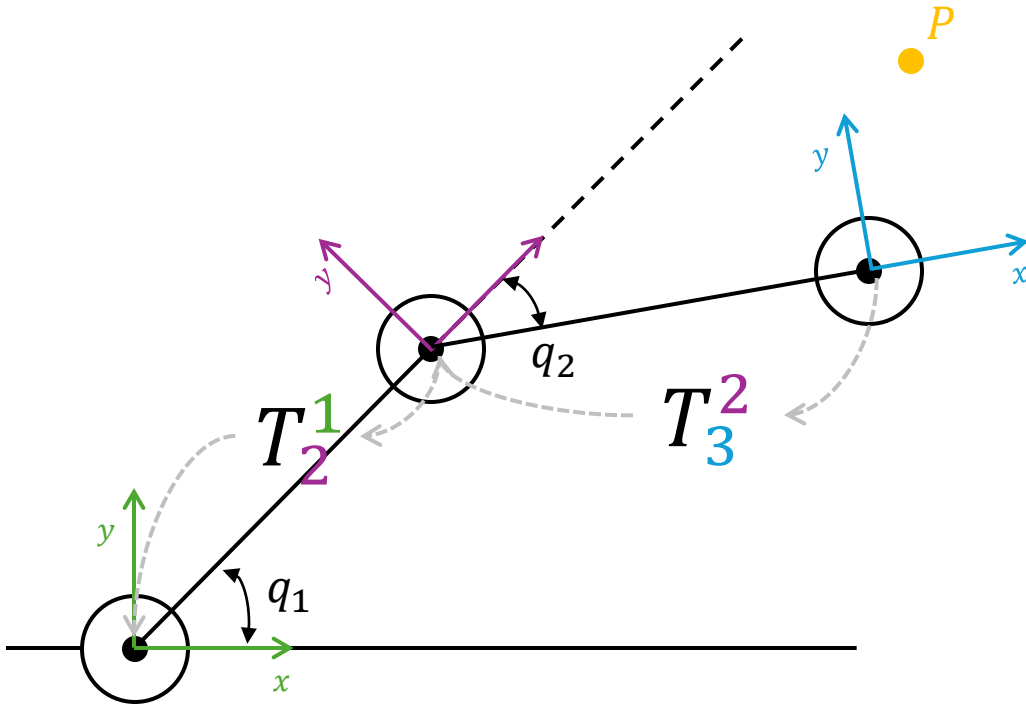


- We can calculate by Euclidean geometry, but is there any more general formulation?
- Let c_1 denote $\cos \vartheta_1$ and s_1 denote $\sin \vartheta_1$

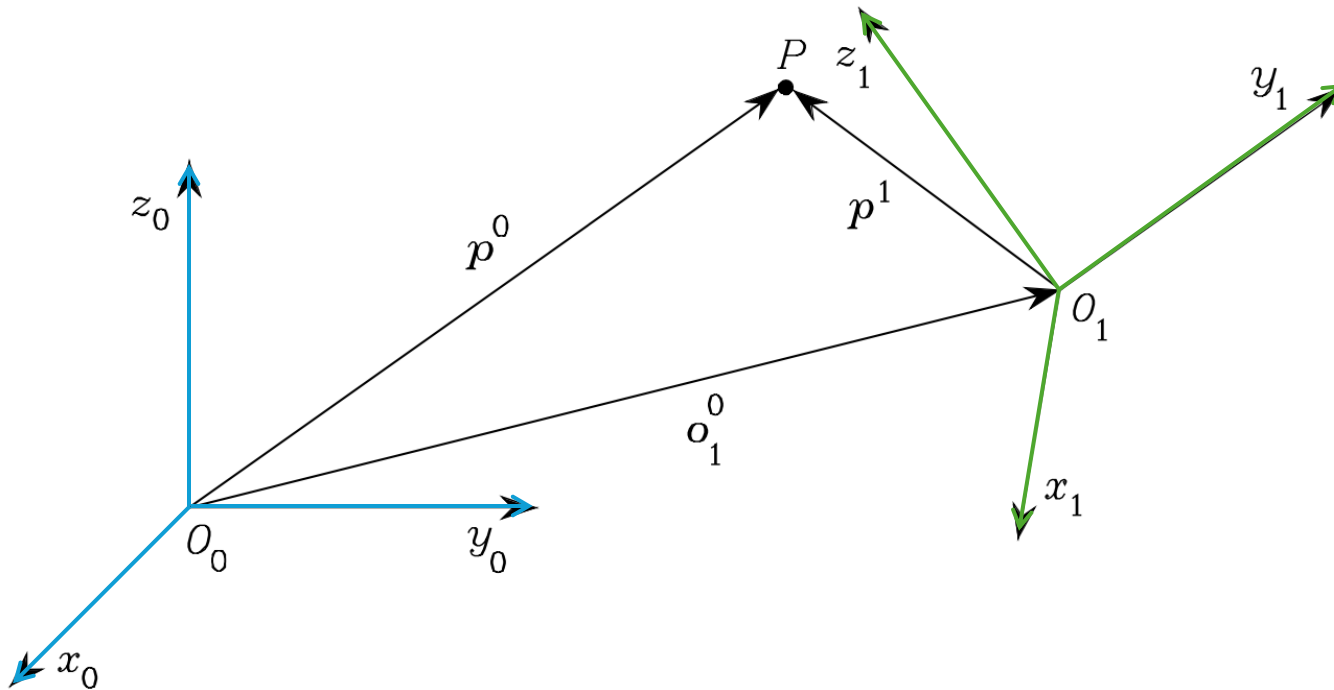
$$\mathbf{T}_e^b(\mathbf{q}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & s_{12} & c_{12} & a_1 c_1 + a_2 c_{12} \\ 0 & -c_{12} & s_{12} & a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_{12} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Rigid-Body Transformation



The coordinate of point
P in frame O_0

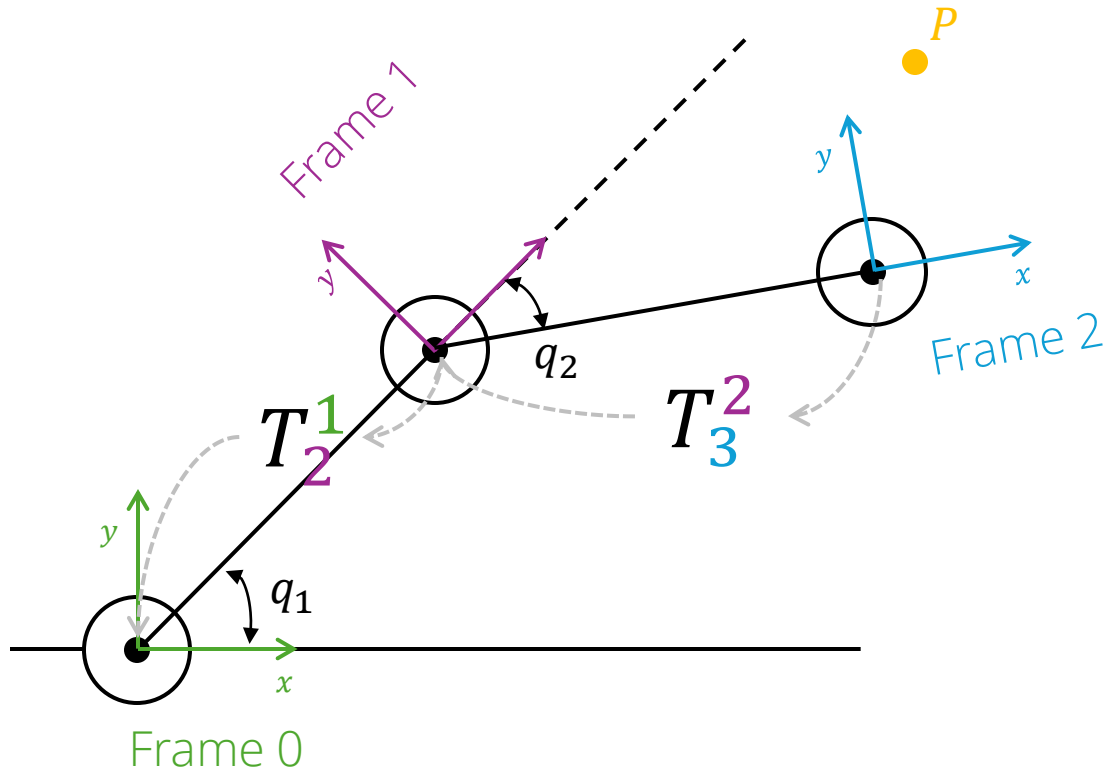
The coordinate of point
P in frame O_1

$$\begin{bmatrix} p^0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1^0 & o_1^0 \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p^1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Spatial Transformation
between frame O_1 and O_0

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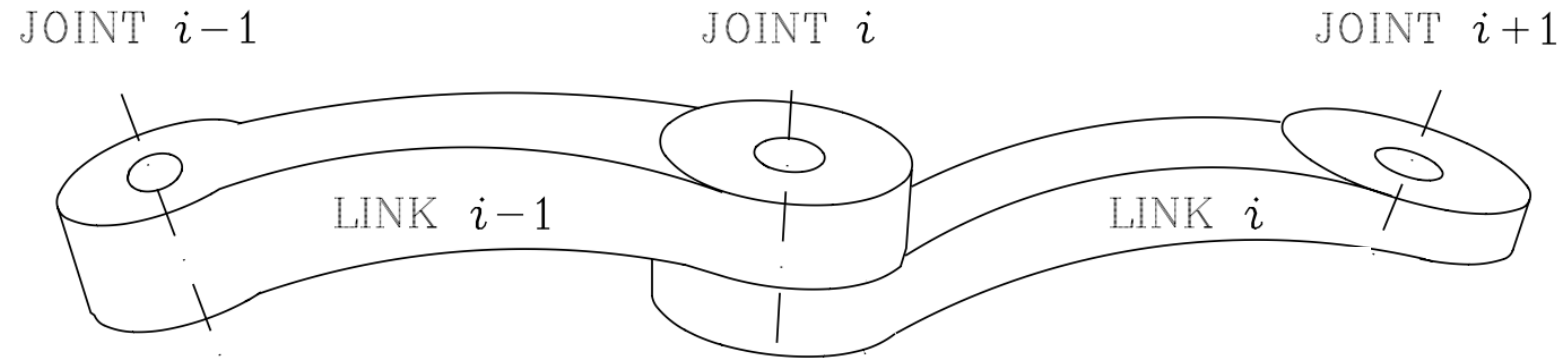


Coordinate transformation from the end-effector frame to Frame n

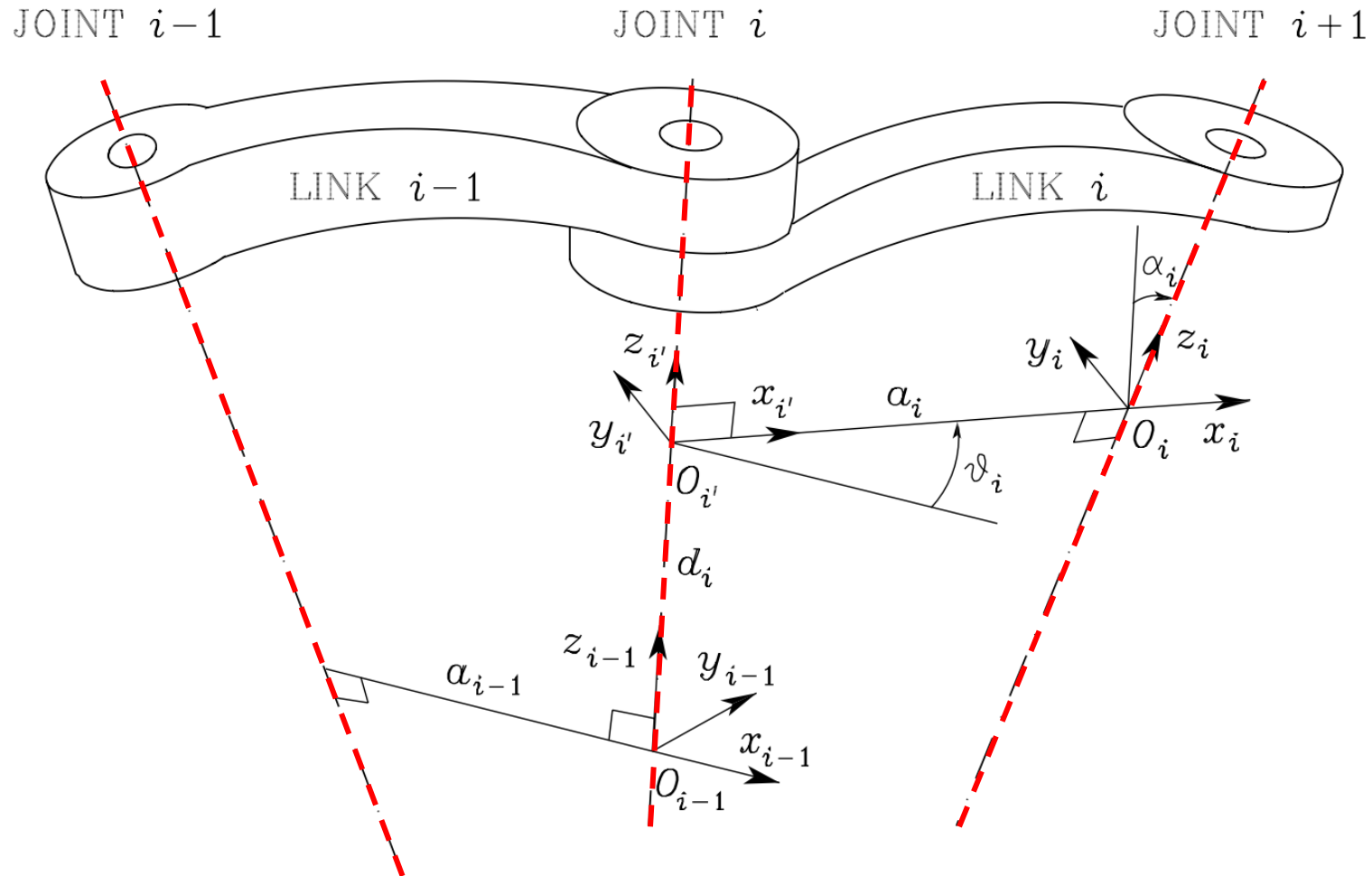
$$T_e^b(\mathbf{q}) = T_0^b T_1^0(q_1) \dots T_n^{n-1}(q_n) T_e^n$$

Coordinate transformation from Frame 0 to the robot base frame

How to Determine Frames Attached to the Two Links?

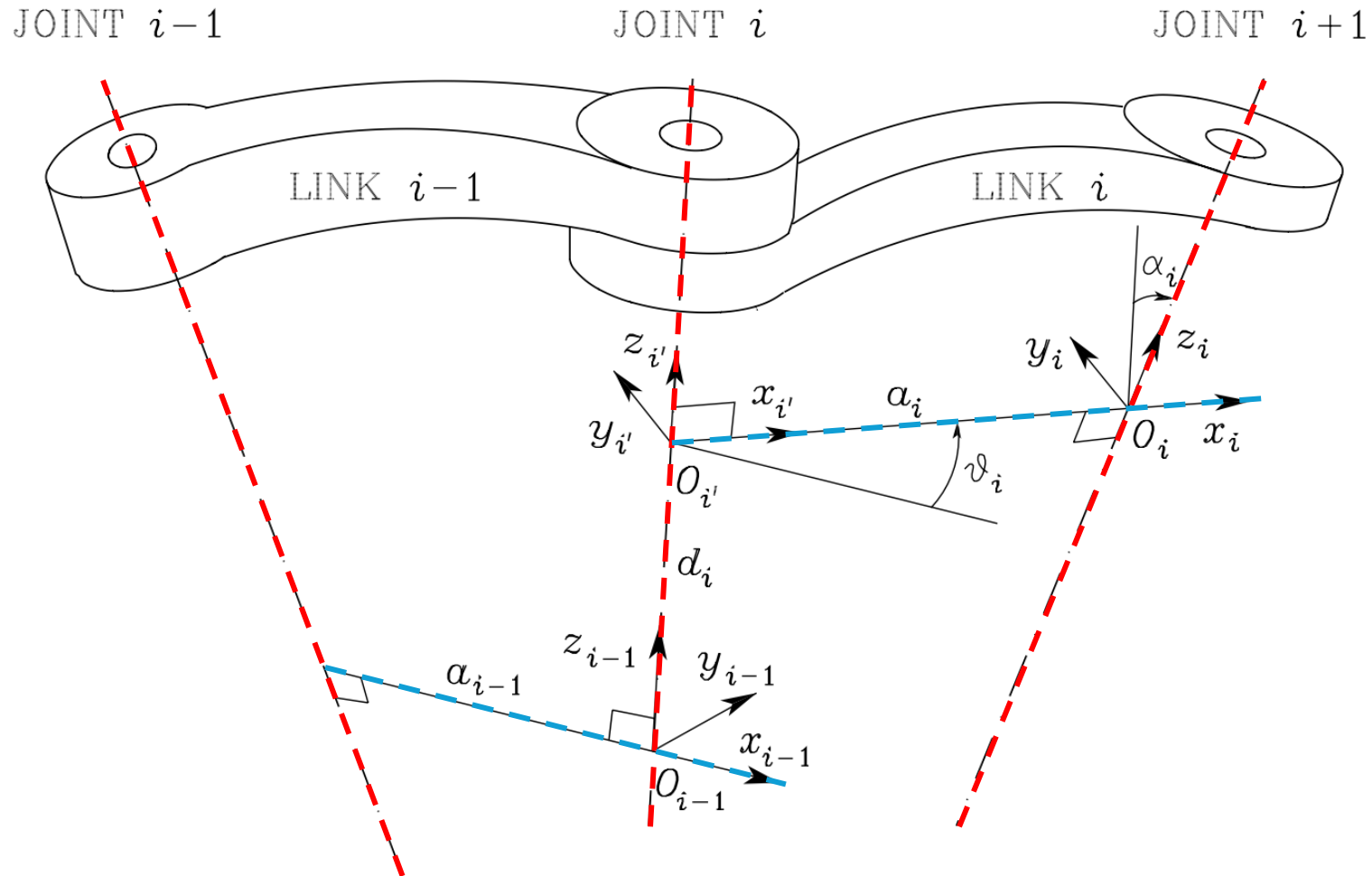


Decide Frames with Denavit–Hartenberg Convention



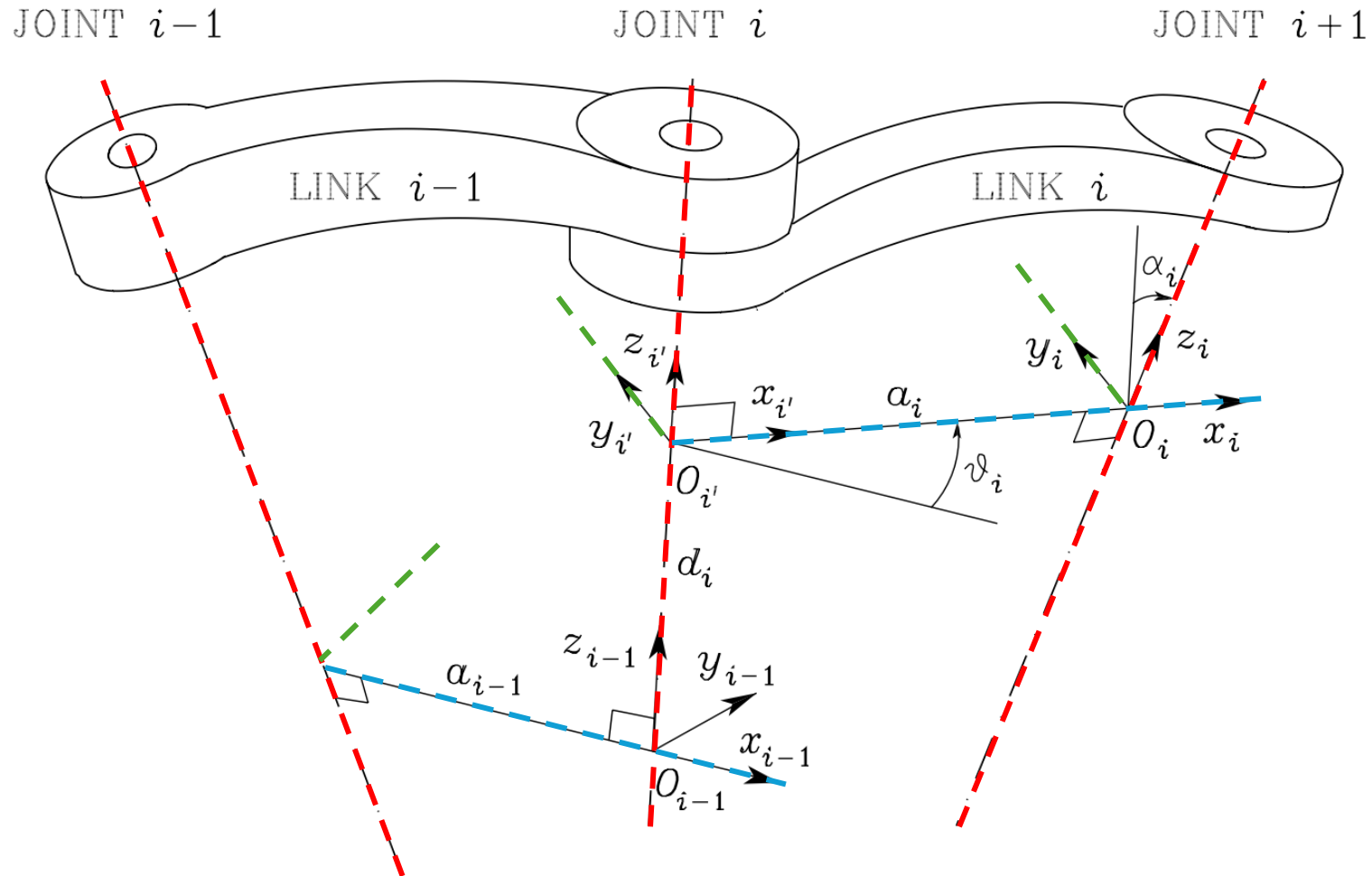
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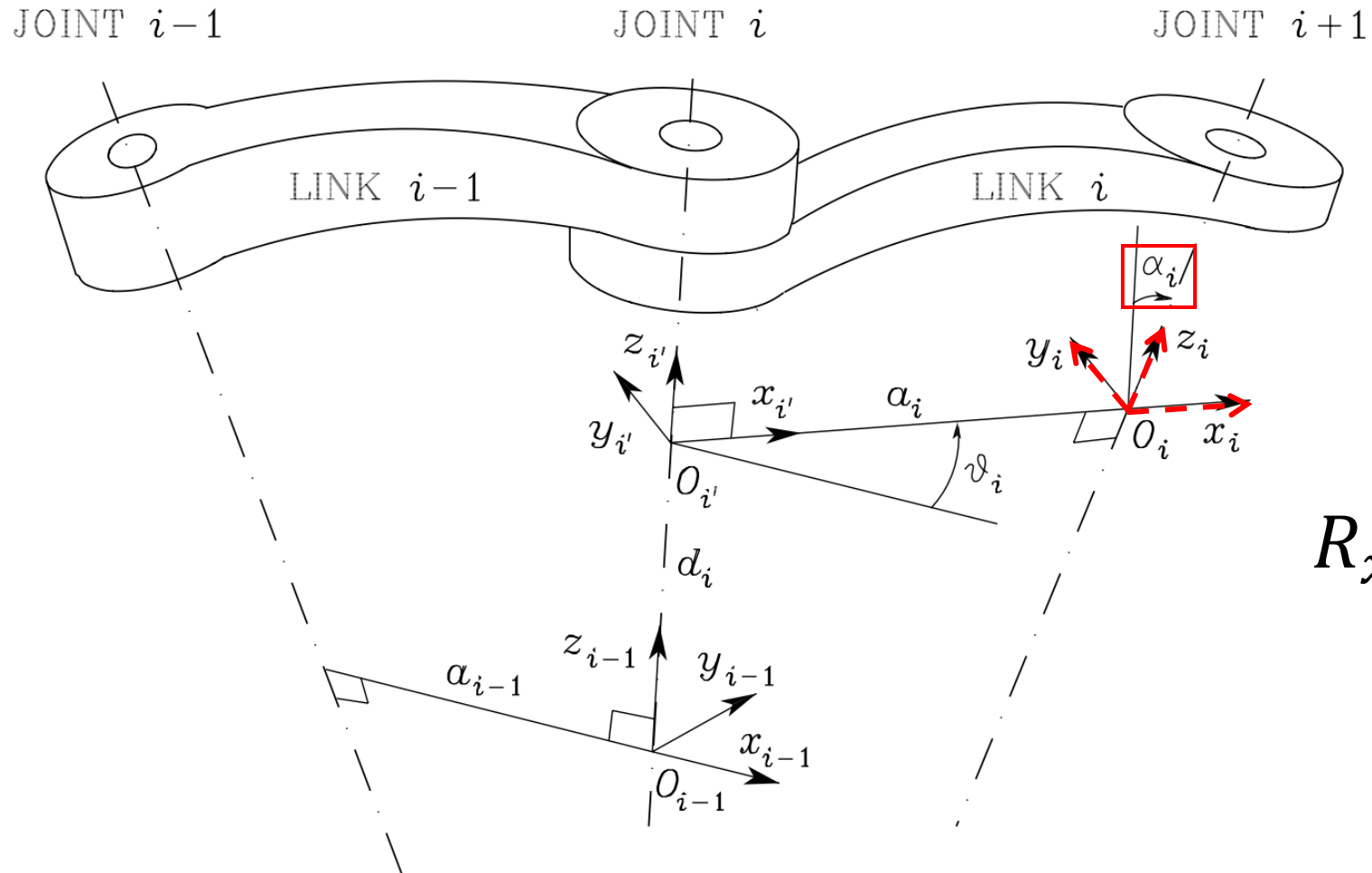
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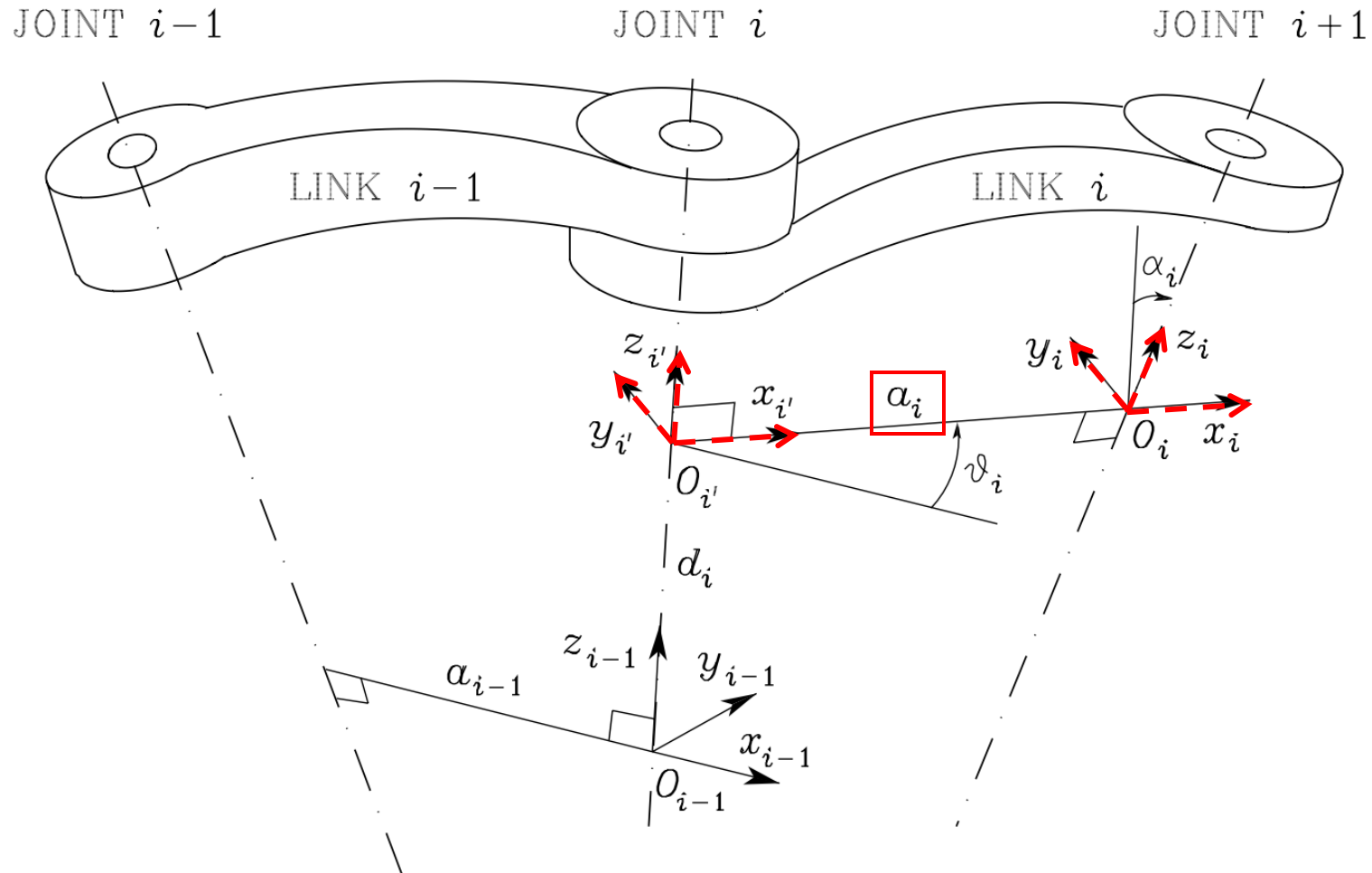
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3. Axis y_i is decided by right-hand rule

What are the Spatial Transformations under Denavit–Hartenberg Convention?



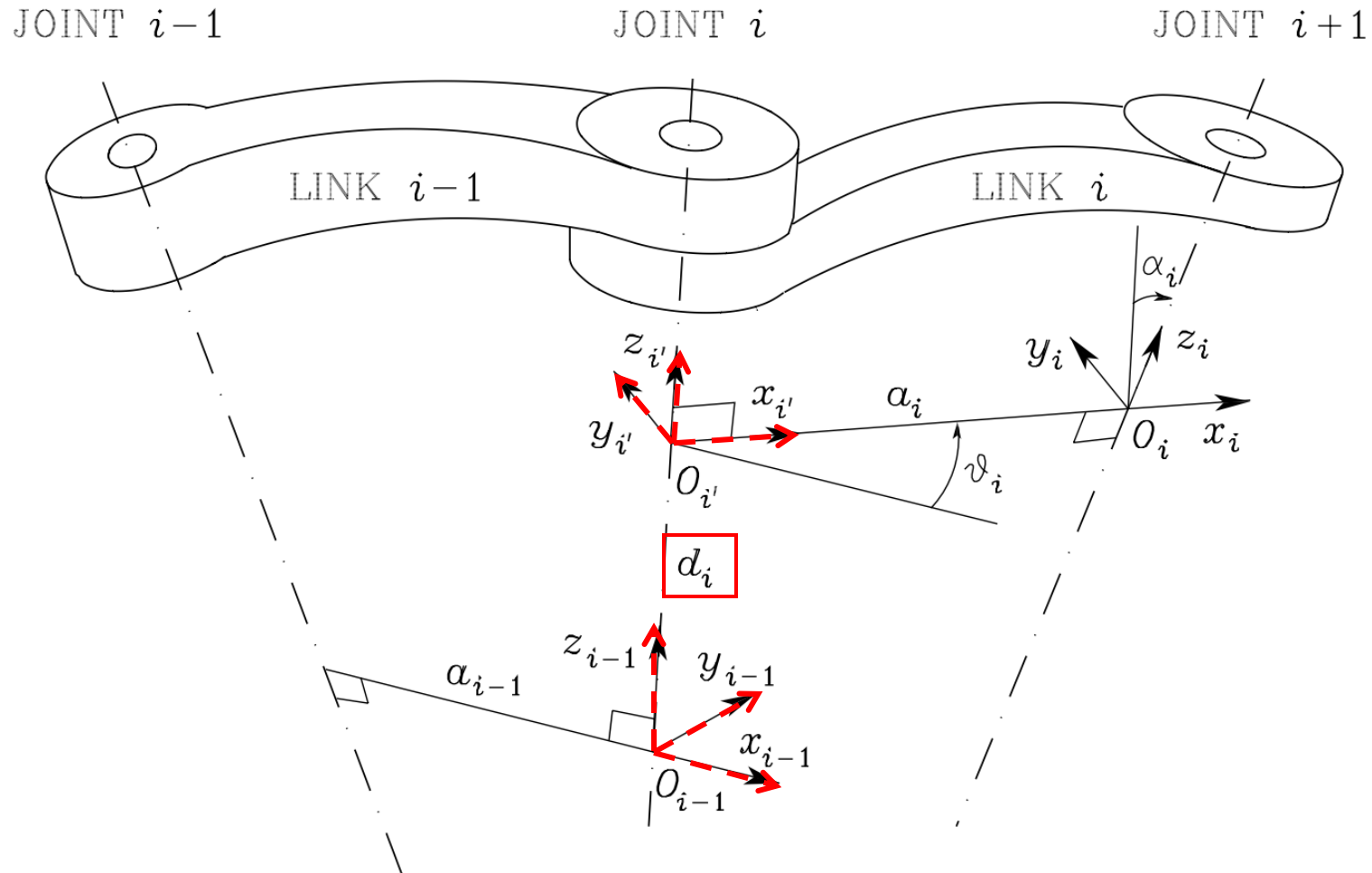
$$R_{x, \alpha_i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{\alpha_i} & -s_{\alpha_i} & 0 \\ 0 & s_{\alpha_i} & c_{\alpha_i} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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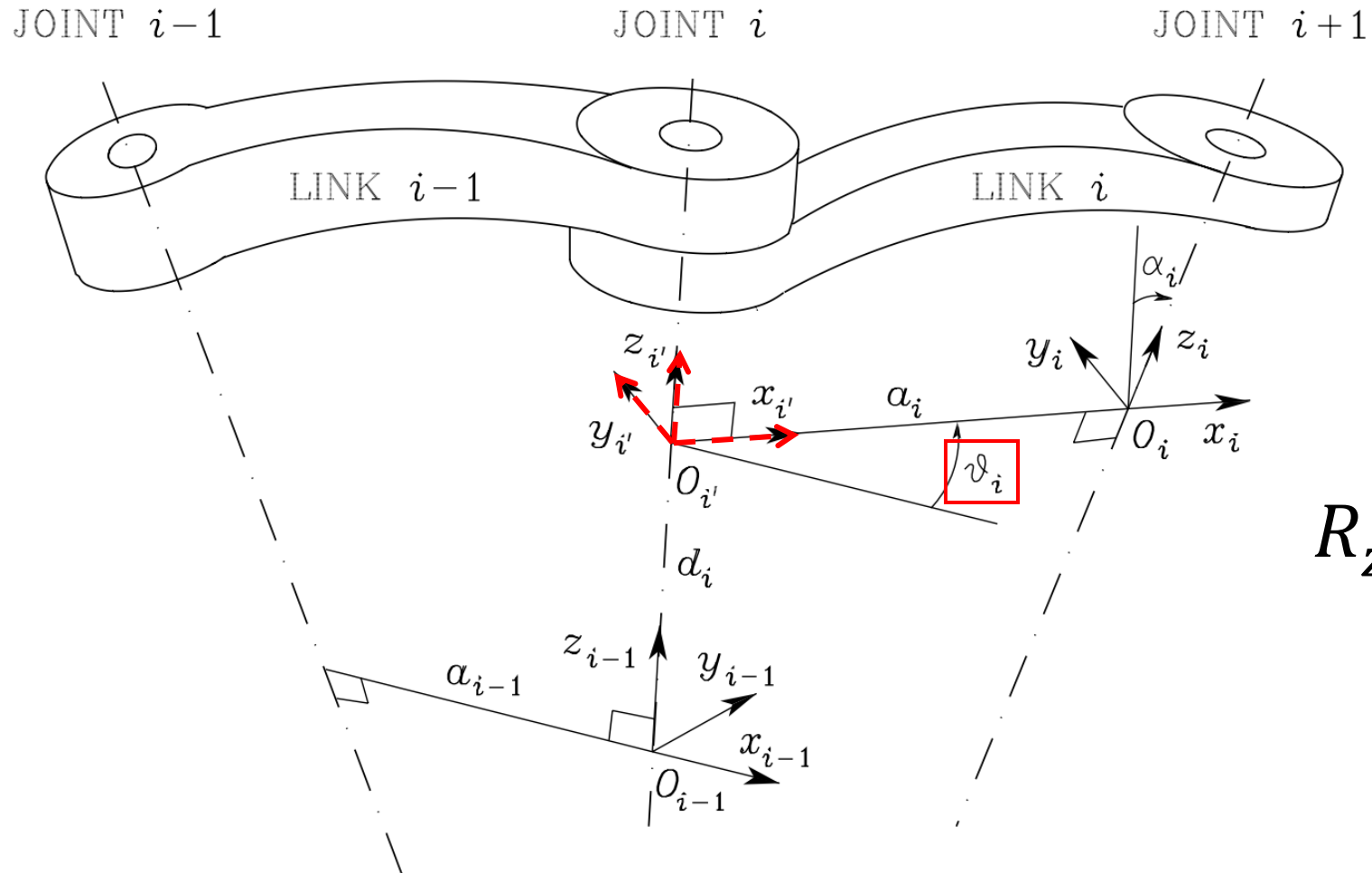
$$T_i^{i'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & a_i \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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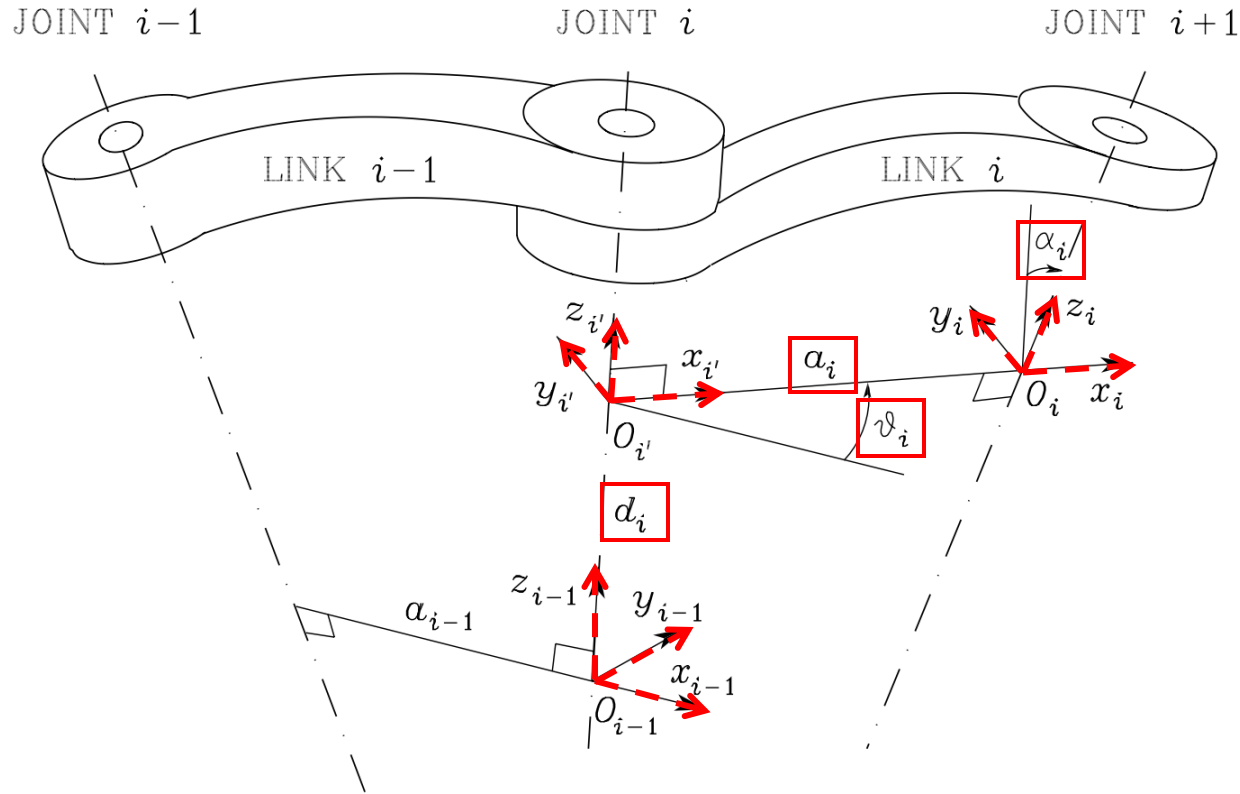
$$T_{i'}^{i-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$R_{z, \vartheta_i} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\vartheta_i} & -s_{\vartheta_i} & 0 & 0 \\ s_{\vartheta_i} & c_{\vartheta_i} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$A_i^{i-1} = R_{z,\vartheta_i} T_{i'}^{i-1} T_i^{i'} R_{x,\alpha_i}$$

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Forward Kinematics: Calculate the Pose of a Robot End-Effector given the Configuration

- We know:

Transformation from joint i to frame $i - 1$ $\leftarrow$ $A_i^{i-1} =$

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Transformation from joint n to the robot base $\leftarrow$

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$$A_e^b(\mathbf{q}) = A_0^b A_1^0(q_1) \dots A_n^{n-1}(q_n) A_e^n$$

Configuration of joint n

Transformation from the end-effector to joint n

$$\mathbf{p}^b = A_0^b A_1^0(q_1) \dots A_n^{n-1}(q_n) A_e^n \mathbf{p}^e$$

- Since the end-effector pose at the end-effector frame is constant, we can rewrite the end-effector pose at the robot base frame as a function of $\mathbf{q}$: $f(\mathbf{q})$

Inverse Kinematics: Calculate the Robot Configuration given a Pose of the End-Effector

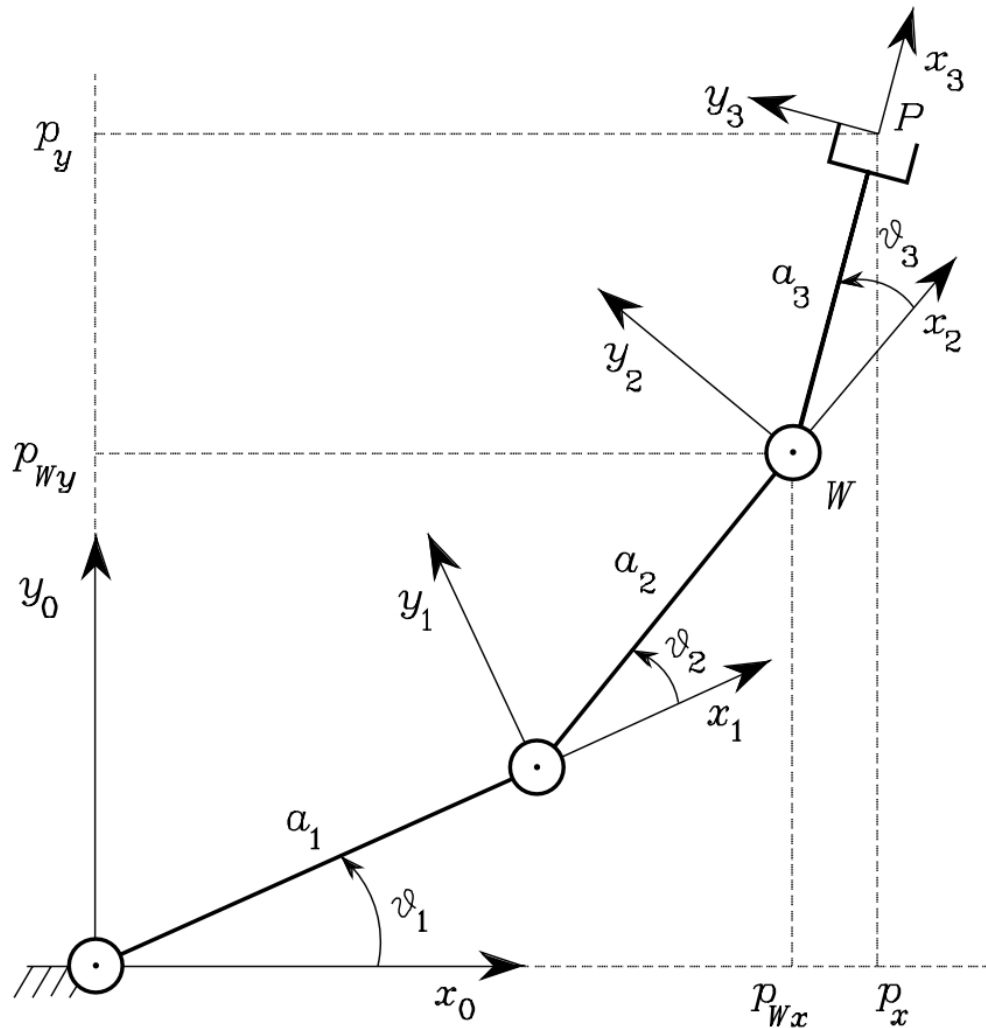
- Forward kinematic:

$$\text{end-effector pose} = f(\mathbf{q})$$

- Inverse kinematic:

$$\mathbf{q} = f^{-1}(\text{end-effector pose})$$

Analytical Solution of Inverse Kinematic: An Example of 3-link Planar Arm



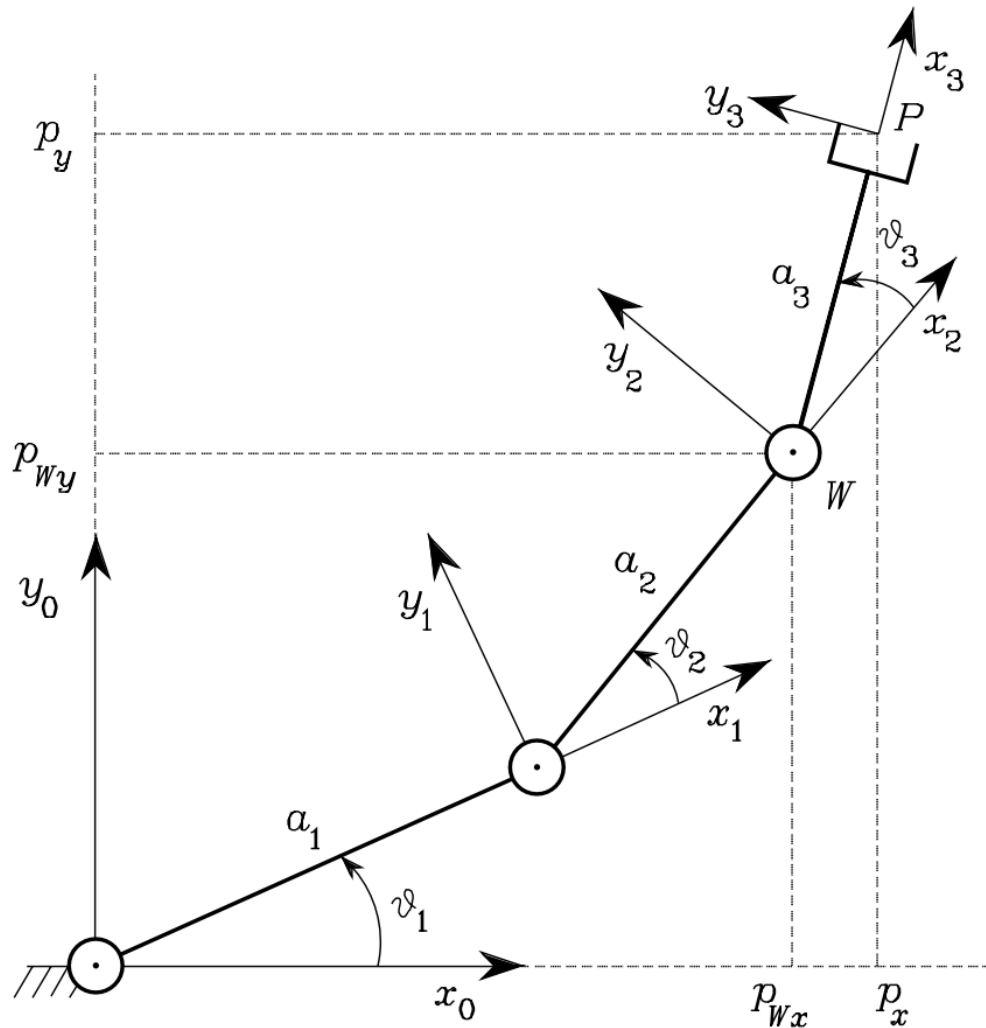
Link	a_i	α_i	d_i	ϑ_i
1	a_1	0	0	ϑ_1
2	a_2	0	0	ϑ_2
3	a_3	0	0	ϑ_3

$$\mathbf{A}_i^{i-1}(\vartheta_i) = \begin{bmatrix} c_i & -s_i & 0 & a_i c_i \\ s_i & c_i & 0 & a_i s_i \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad i = 1, 2, 3.$$

$$\mathbf{T}_3^0(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{A}_1^0 \mathbf{A}_2^1 \mathbf{A}_3^2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_{123} & -s_{123} & 0 & a_1 c_1 + a_2 c_{12} + a_3 \boxed{c_{123}} \\ s_{123} & c_{123} & 0 & a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_{12} + a_3 s_{123} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\cos(\vartheta_1 + \vartheta_2 + \vartheta_3)$

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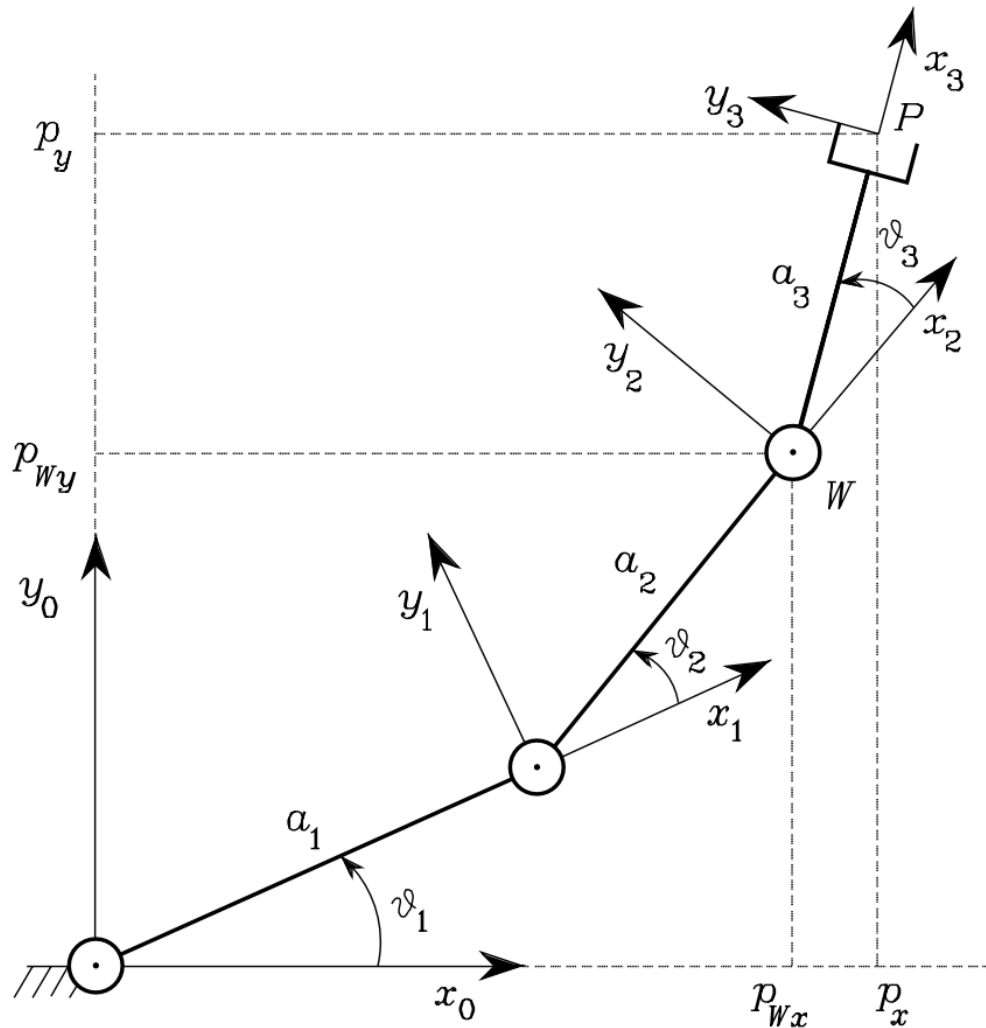


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$$\mathbf{T}_e^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{end-effector pose} = \mathbf{T}_3^0 \mathbf{T}_e^3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Origin of the end-effector frame}$$

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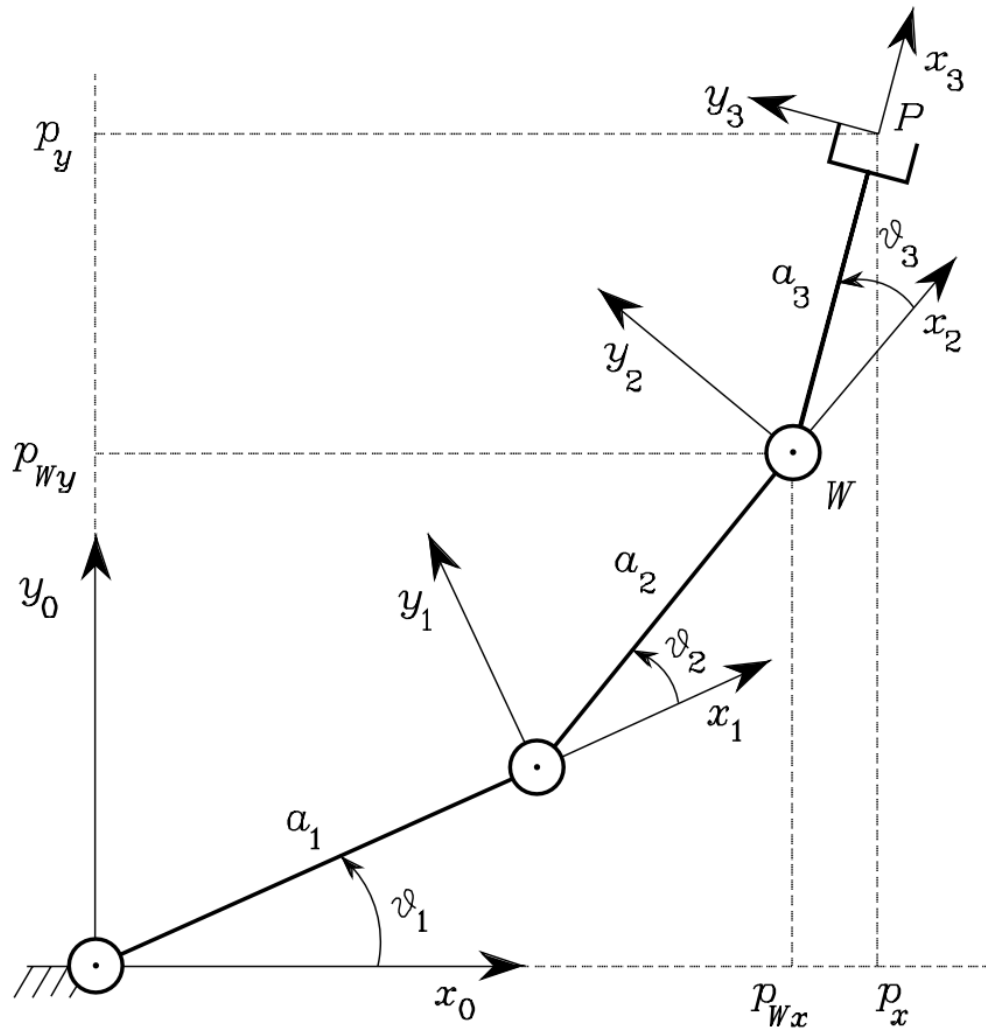
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$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 c_1 + a_2 c_{12} + a_3 c_{123} \\ a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_{12} + a_3 s_{123} \\ \vartheta_1 + \vartheta_2 + \vartheta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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1. $p_{W_x} = p_x - a_3 c_\phi = a_1 c_1 + a_2 c_{12}$
2. $p_{W_y} = p_y - a_3 s_\phi = a_1 s_1 + a_2 s_{12}$
3. From 1. and 2., $p_{W_x}^2 + p_{W_y}^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 c_1 a_2 (c_1 c_2 - s_1 s_2) + 2a_1 s_1 a_2 (s_1 c_2 + c_1 s_2) = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1 a_2 c_2$

We have $c_2 = \frac{p_{W_x}^2 + p_{W_y}^2 - a_1^2 + a_2^2}{2a_1 a_2}$

We have $s_2 = \pm \sqrt{1 - c_2^2}$ and $\vartheta_2 = \text{Atan2}(s_2, c_2)$

Numerical Solution of Inverse Kinematic

- Newton-Raphson Method:

$$x_d = f(\theta_d) = f(\theta^0) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{\theta^0}}_{J(\theta^0)} \underbrace{(\theta_d - \theta^0)}_{\Delta \theta} + \text{h.o.t.},$$

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Solving J^{-1} using Denavit-Hartenberg Convention is overly complex...

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What are Representations of Spatial Transformations?

- Desired properties:
 - Representing the forward kinematics of an open chain system as a product of transformations
 - Systemic derivation of the Jacobian that connects spatial transformations to joint angles
 - Unified representations of different types of robot joints
 - No need for solving inverse Jacobian matrix

We Can Associate One Representation of Spatial Transformation with Joint Angles in Linear Forms

- The twist coordinate (exponential of a twist is a rigid transformation matrix):

$$\xi^s = \underbrace{\xi_1 \dot{\theta}_1}_{J_{\xi_1}(\theta)} + \underbrace{\text{Ad}_{e^{\hat{\xi}_1 \theta_1}} \xi_2 \dot{\theta}_2}_{J_{\xi_2}(\theta)} + \underbrace{\text{Ad}_{e^{\hat{\xi}_1 \theta_1} e^{\hat{\xi}_2 \theta_2}} \hat{\xi}_3 \dot{\theta}_3}_{J_{\xi_3}(\theta)} + \dots$$

$$= [J_{\xi_1} \quad J_{\xi_2} \quad J_{\xi_3} \quad \dots] \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = J_{\xi} \dot{\theta}$$

Solve Inverse Kinematic without Calculating the Inverse Jacobian Matrix

- Newton-Raphson Method:

$$\Delta\theta = J^{-1}(\theta^0) (x_d - f(\theta^0)) .$$



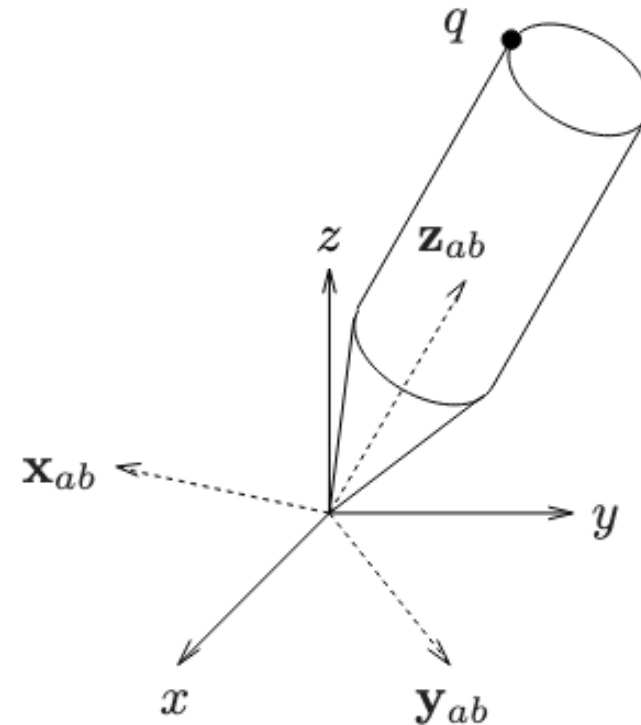
$$\Delta\theta = J_{\xi}^{-1}(\xi^{\Delta}), \text{ where } \xi^{\Delta} = \log(T_{current}^{-1}(\theta)T_{target})$$

What is Twist?

Rotational Motion in $\mathbb{R}^3$

- Rotation matrix: $R_b^a = [\mathbf{x}_{ab}, \mathbf{y}_{ab}, \mathbf{z}_{ab}]$
- Properties of rotation matrices:
 - Orthonormality: $RR^\top = R^\top R = I$
 - $\det R = +1$

Why?

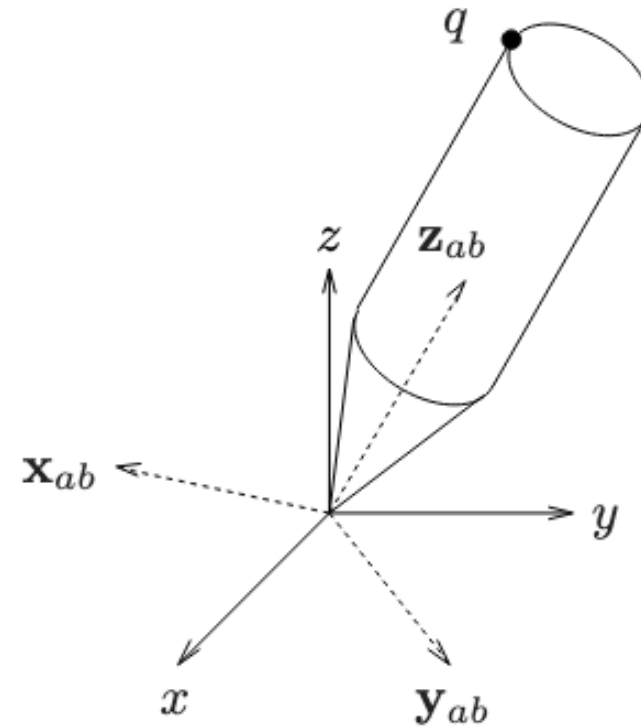


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$$\det R = r_1^\top (r_2 \times r_3) = r_1^\top r_1 = 1$$

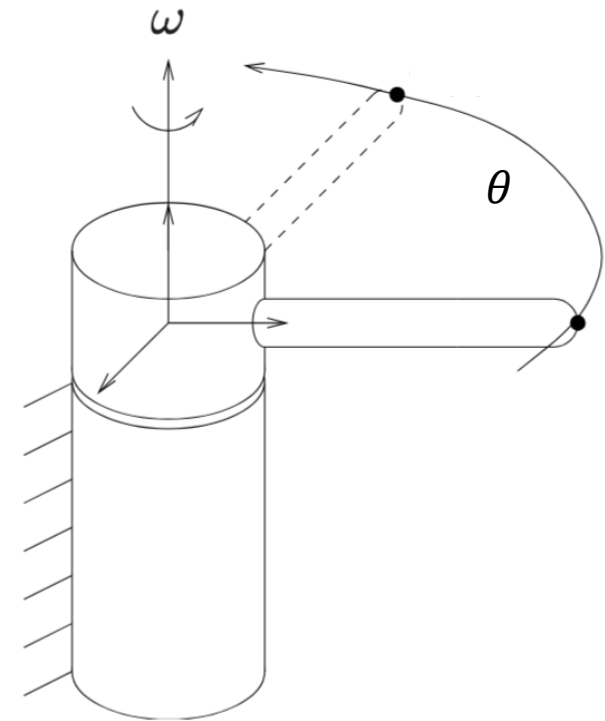
- Rotation matrices $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ form a special group:
 $SO(n) = \{\mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : RR^\top = I, \det R = +1\}$
- Composability: $R_1^3 = R_2^3 R_1^2$



How to connect rotation matrices
with robot joint angles?

Exponential Coordinates for Rotation

- A more geometrical description of “a rotation”:
 - an axis of rotation $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ that specifies the direction of rotation
 - the angle of rotation θ
- Can we derive the rotation matrix from $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ and θ ?



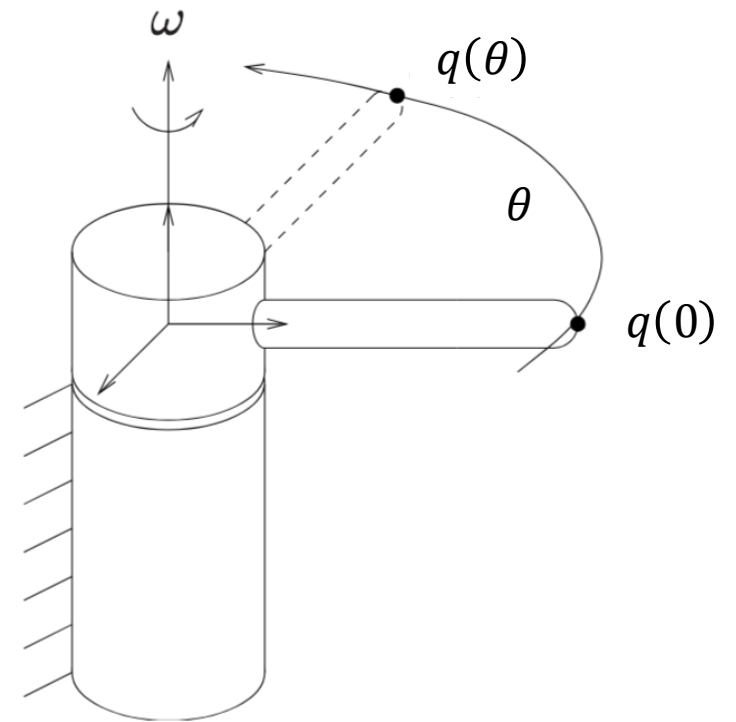
Exponential Coordinates for Rotation

- Prerequisite: cross products can be represented as matrix multiplications

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \hat{\mathbf{a}}\mathbf{b}, \text{ where skew matrix } \hat{\mathbf{a}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -a_3 & a_2 \\ a_3 & 0 & -a_1 \\ -a_2 & a_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- If we rotate the body at constant velocity about the axis $\boldsymbol{\omega}$, the velocity of the point:

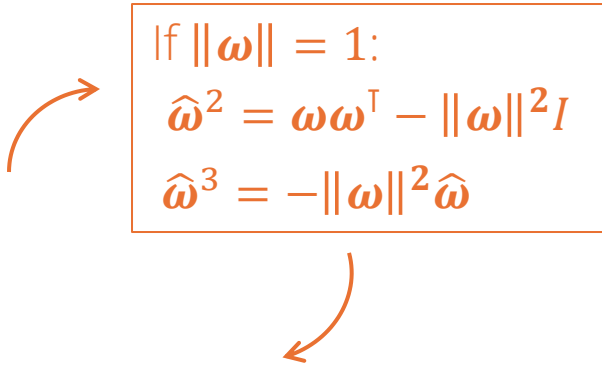
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{q}}(\theta) &= \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{q}(\theta) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\mathbf{q}(\theta) \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{q}(\theta) &= e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} \mathbf{q}(0)\end{aligned}$$



Exponential Coordinates for Rotation

- Properties of skew matrix $\hat{\mathbf{a}}$:
 - The set of 3×3 real skew-symmetric matrices composes $so(3)$
 - $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \hat{\mathbf{a}}\mathbf{b}$
 - $\mathbf{a}^\top = -\mathbf{a}$
- We can rewrite $e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta}$:

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} &= I + \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}} + \frac{\theta^2}{2!} \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}^2 + \frac{\theta^3}{3!} \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}^3 + \dots \\ \Rightarrow e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} &= I + \left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} - \dots \right) \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}} + \left(\frac{\theta^2}{2!} - \frac{\theta^4}{4!} + \dots \right) \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}^2 \\ \Rightarrow e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} &= I + \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}} + (1 - \cos \theta) \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}^2\end{aligned}$$



If $\|\boldsymbol{\omega}\| = 1$:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}^2 &= \boldsymbol{\omega}\boldsymbol{\omega}^\top - \|\boldsymbol{\omega}\|^2 I \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}^3 &= -\|\boldsymbol{\omega}\|^2 \hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\end{aligned}$$

Exponential Coordinates for Rotation

- Given $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ and θ , the exponential $e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} \in SO(3)$
 - $[e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta}]^{-1} = e^{-\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} = e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}^\top\theta} = [e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta}]^\top$
 - $\det e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} = +1$ (based on the continuity of exponential map and the fact that $\det e^0 = 1$)
- Given a rotation matrix R , there exists $\boldsymbol{\omega} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and θ , such that $R = e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta}$

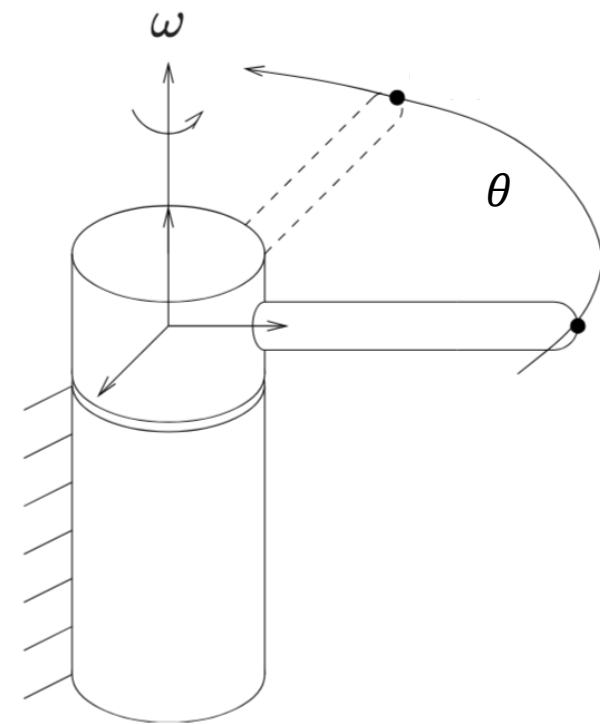
$$e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 v_\theta + c_\theta & \omega_1 \omega_2 v_\theta - \omega_3 s_\theta & \omega_1 \omega_3 v_\theta + \omega_2 s_\theta \\ \omega_1 \omega_2 v_\theta + \omega_3 s_\theta & \omega_2^2 v_\theta + c_\theta & \omega_2 \omega_3 v_\theta - \omega_1 s_\theta \\ \omega_1 \omega_3 v_\theta - \omega_2 s_\theta & \omega_2 \omega_3 v_\theta + \omega_1 s_\theta & \omega_3^2 v_\theta + c_\theta \end{bmatrix} \longleftrightarrow R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

all we need is to find the solution

$$c_\theta = \cos \theta, s_\theta = \sin \theta, v_\theta = 1 - \cos \theta$$

Quick summary

- Exponentials provide a more geometrical description of “a rotation”:
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 - the angle of rotation θ
 - $e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta} \in SO(3)$
 - Given a rotation matrix R , there exists $\boldsymbol{\omega} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and θ , such that $R = e^{\hat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\theta}$
- We can easily represent the revolute joint with such representations



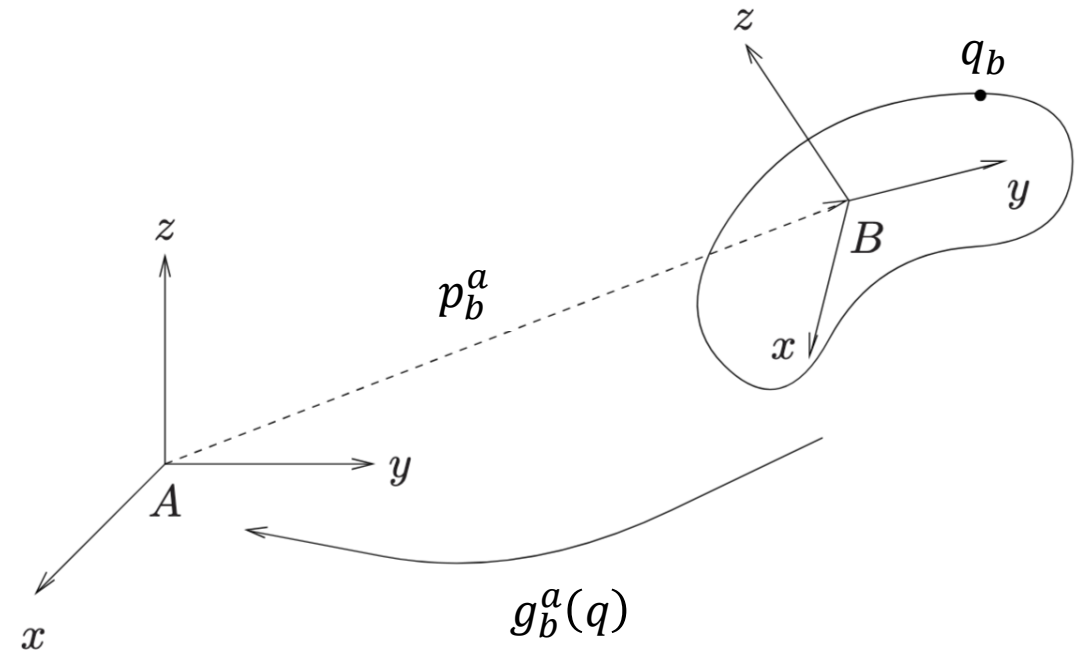
Rigid Motion in $\mathbb{R}^3$

- Rotation matrix: $R_b^a = [\mathbf{x}_{ab}, \mathbf{y}_{ab}, \mathbf{z}_{ab}]$
- Translation: p_b^a
- Rigid transformation from frame b to a:

$$g_b^a(q) = q_a = p_b^a + R_b^a q_b$$

or in homogeneous representations

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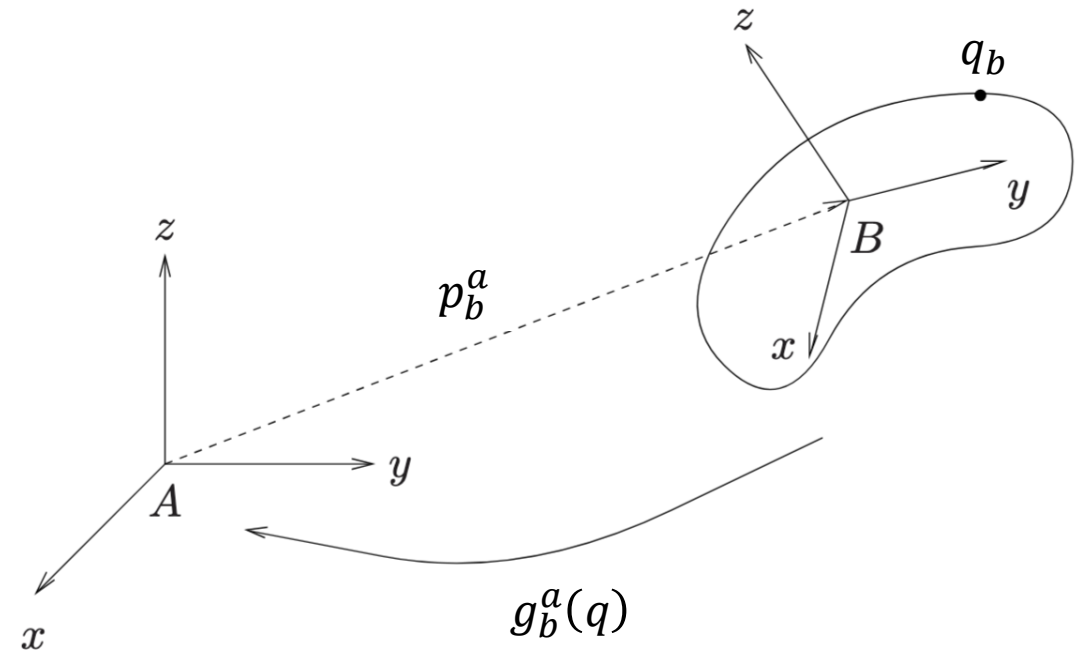
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- Rigid transformations form a special group:

$$SE(n) = \{(p, R) : p \in \mathbb{R}^n, R \in SO(n)\}$$

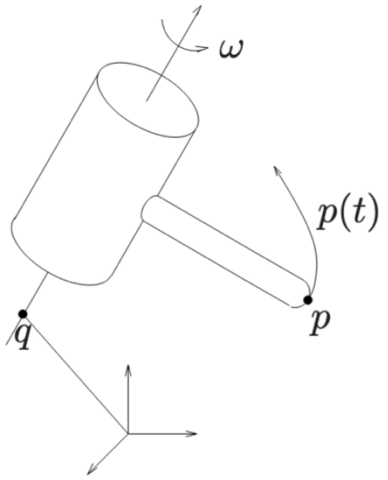
- Composability: $\bar{g}_1^3 = \bar{g}_2^3 \bar{g}_1^2$
- The inverse of $g \in SE(3)$ still belongs to $SE(3)$:

$$g^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} R^\top & -R^\top p \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



How to connect rigid transformations
with robot configurations?

More Geometrical Representations for Rigid Transformation



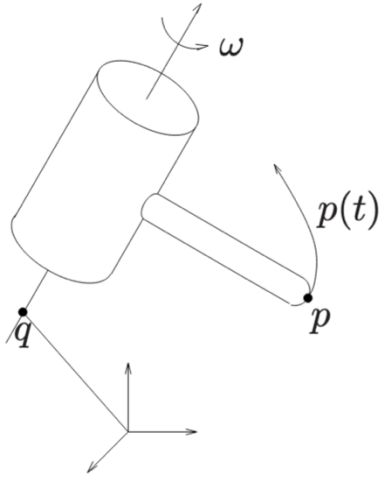
- Pure rotation
 $\dot{\mathbf{p}}(\theta) = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\mathbf{p}(\theta) - \mathbf{q})$

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$$\Rightarrow \dot{\bar{\mathbf{p}}} = \hat{\xi} \bar{\mathbf{p}} \Rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{p}}(\theta) = \mathbf{e}^{\hat{\xi}\theta} \bar{\mathbf{p}}(0)$$

Exponential Coordinates for Rigid Transformation

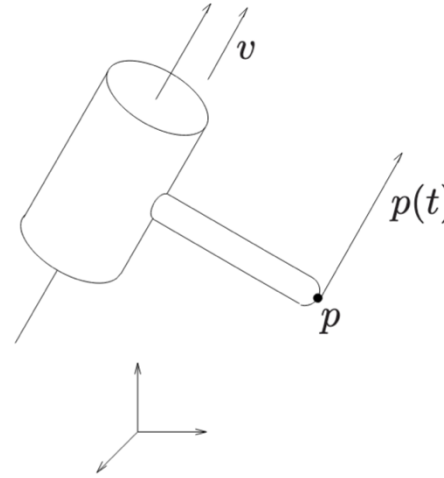


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- Pure translation
 $\dot{\mathbf{p}}(\theta) = \mathbf{v}$

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The $\hat{\xi}$ Matrix and the Twist

- $\hat{\xi}$ matrices form a special group

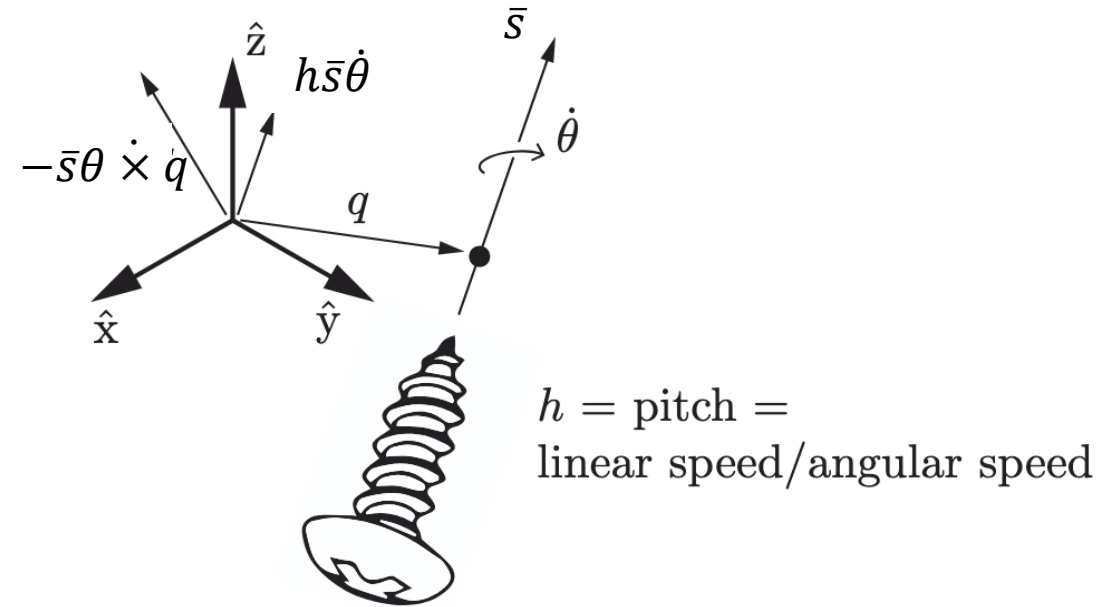
$$se(3) := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\omega} & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : v \in \mathbb{R}^3, \hat{\omega} \in so(3) \right\}$$

- We define $\xi := (v, \hat{\omega})$ as the twist coordinates of $\hat{\xi}$
- Given $\hat{\xi} \in se(3)$ and $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, the exponential $e^{\hat{\xi}\theta} \in SE(3)$

We'll prove later!

The Screw Representation of Rigid Motion

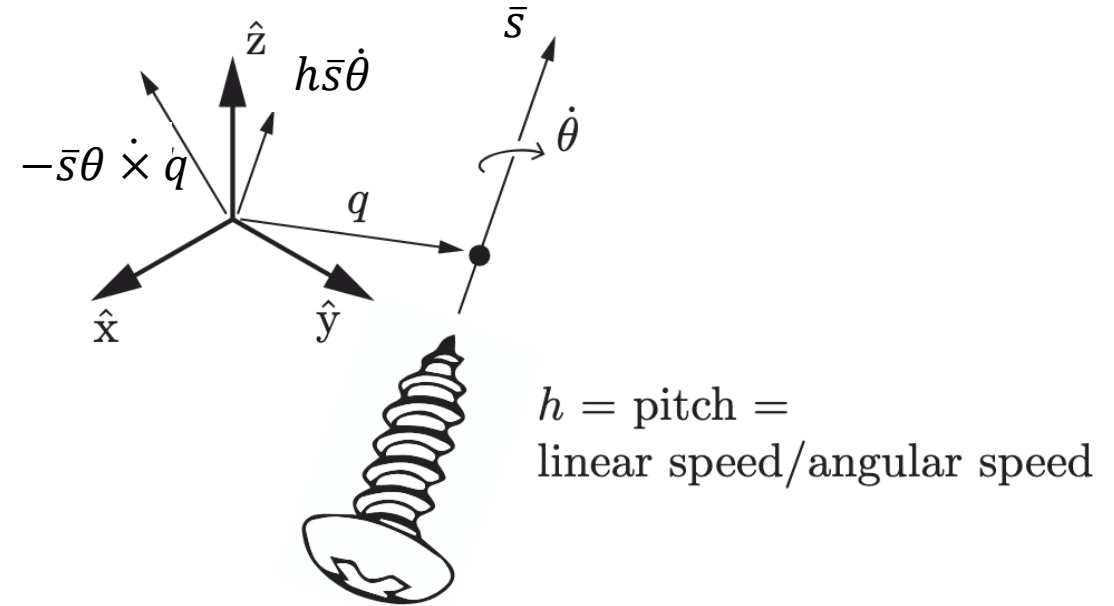
- We can interpret a twist as a screw axis $\mathcal{S}$ and an angular velocity $\dot{\theta}$
- A screw axis $\mathcal{S} = \{q, \bar{s}, h\}$, where
 - q is any point on the axis
 - $\bar{s}$ is a unit vector in the direction of the axis
 - h is the “screw pitch”, denoting the ratio of the linear velocity to the angular velocity $\dot{\theta}$
- $h = 0$, the screw motion denotes pure rotation (e.g. revolute joint)
- $h \rightarrow \infty$, the screw motion denotes pure translation (e.g. prismatic joint)



The Screw Representation of Rigid Motion

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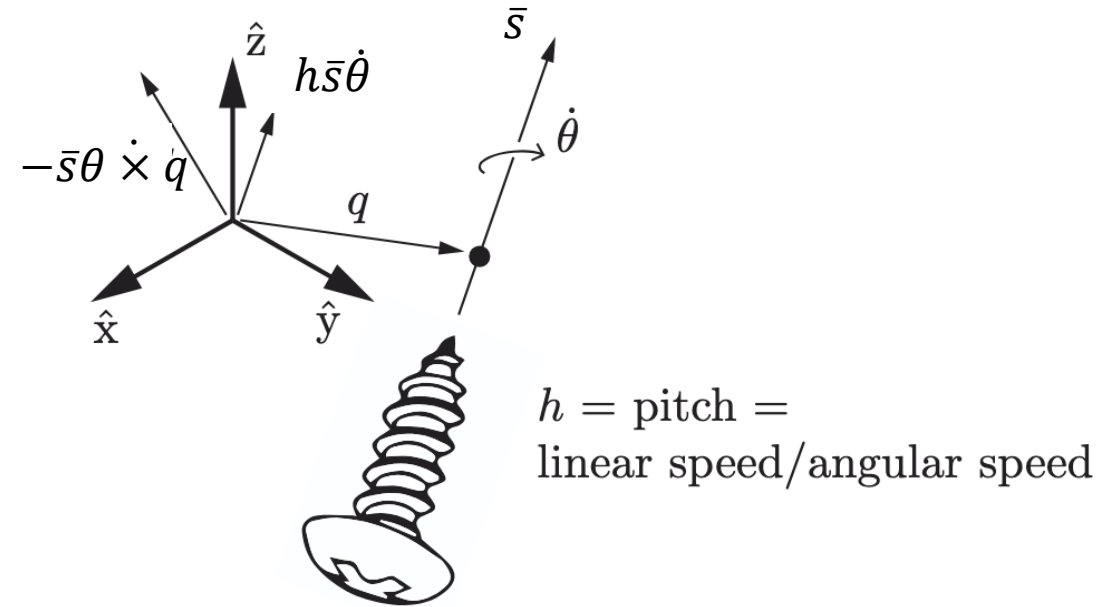
← For any twist ξ where $\omega \neq 0$, there exists an equivalent screw axis $\mathcal{S} = \{q, \bar{s}, h\}$ and velocity $\dot{\theta}$:

$$\bar{s} = \omega / \|\omega\|$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \|\omega\|$$

$$h = \hat{\omega}^\top v / \dot{\theta}$$

q is chosen accordingly



What Do We Need to Show?

- Given $\hat{\xi} \in se(3)$ and $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, the exponential $e^{\hat{\xi}\theta} \in SE(3)$
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What's next? We are going to derive $e^{\hat{\xi}\theta}$ from $e^{g\hat{\xi}'\theta g^{-1}}$

Proof: Given $\hat{\xi} \in se(3)$ and $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, the exponential $e^{\hat{\xi}\theta} \in SE(3)$

- Before continuing the proof, we first show that for any invertible matrix $g \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and a matrix $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, we have $e^{g\Lambda g^{-1}} = ge^{\Lambda}g^{-1}$

$$\because e^{\Lambda} = I + \Lambda + \frac{\Lambda^2}{2!} + \frac{\Lambda^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\therefore e^{g\Lambda g^{-1}} = I + g\Lambda g^{-1} + \frac{g\Lambda g^{-1}g\Lambda g^{-1}}{2!} + \frac{g\Lambda g^{-1}g\Lambda g^{-1}g\Lambda g^{-1}}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= I + g\Lambda g^{-1} + \frac{g\Lambda^2 g^{-1}}{2!} + \frac{g\Lambda^3 g^{-1}}{3!} + \dots$$

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- What's $e^{\hat{\xi}'\theta}$?

First, we know $\hat{\omega}\omega = \omega \times \omega = 0$

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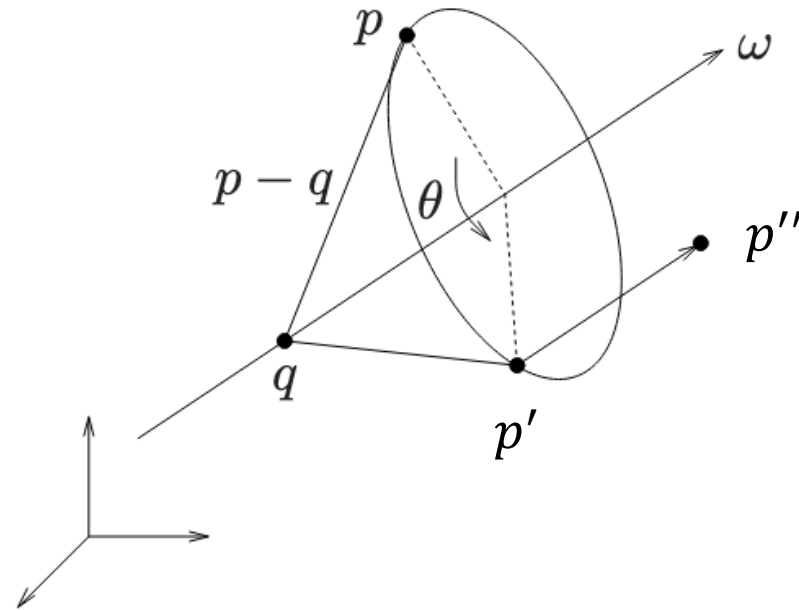
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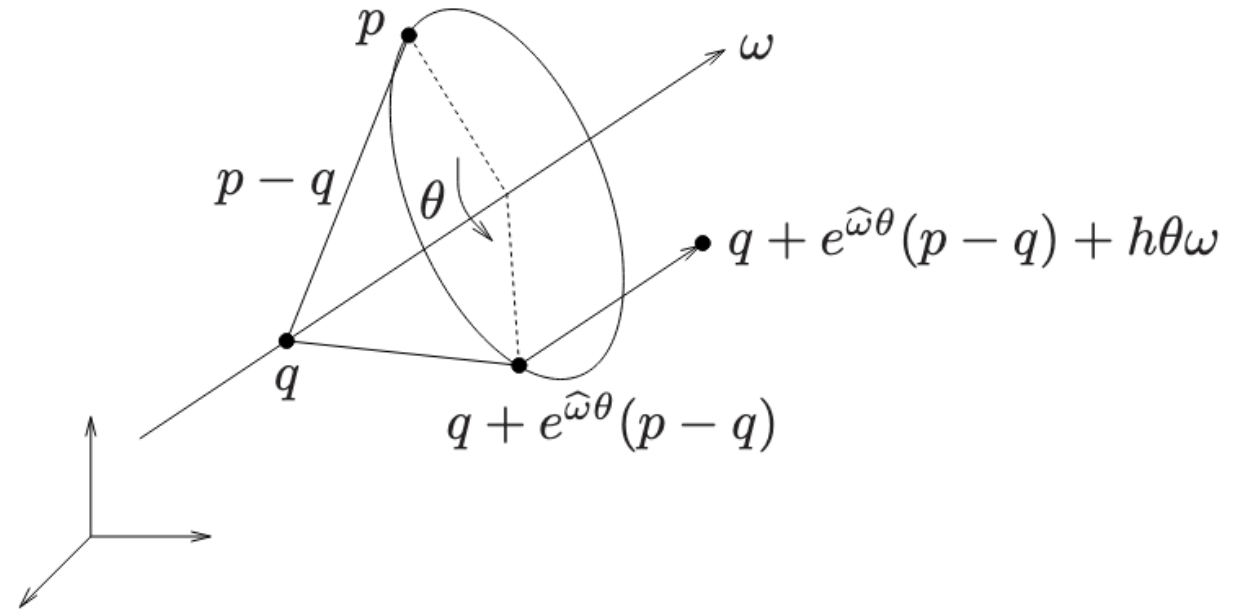
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$$p' = q + e^{\hat{\omega}\theta}(p - q)$$

$$p'' = p' + \omega h\theta$$

$$g(p) = q + e^{\hat{\omega}\theta}(p - q) + \omega h\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow g \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\hat{\omega}\theta} & (I - e^{\hat{\omega}\theta})q + \omega h\theta \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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- Let's write down the rigid motion from point p to $g(p) = p''$:

$$p' = q + e^{\hat{\omega}\theta}(p - q)$$

$$p'' = p' + \omega h\theta$$

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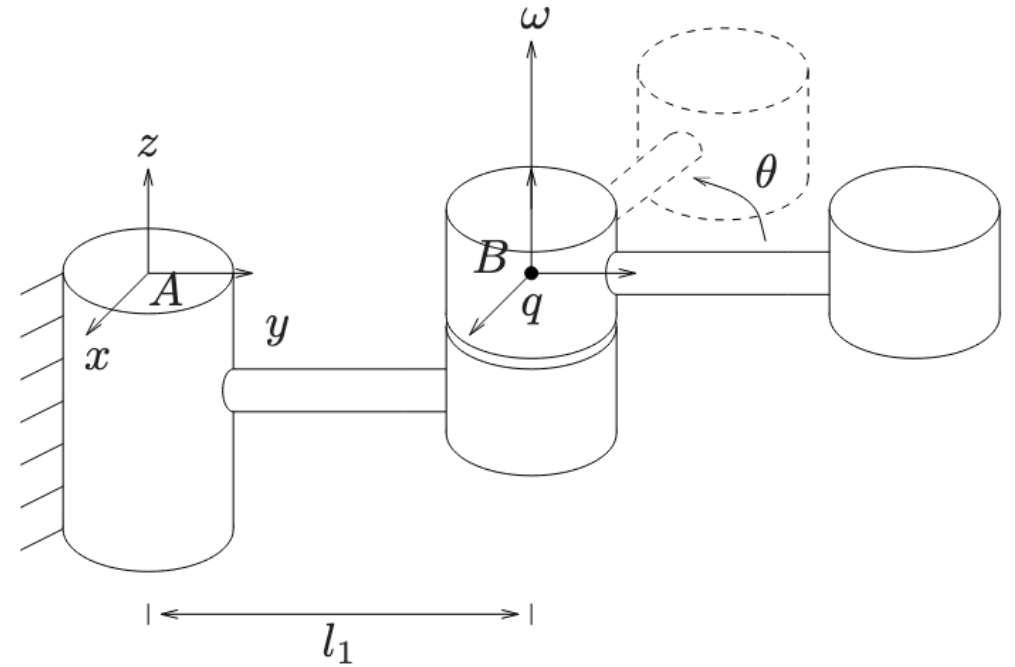
- We know:

$$e^{\hat{\xi}\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\hat{\omega}\theta} & (I - e^{\hat{\omega}\theta})\hat{\omega}v + \omega\omega^\top v\theta \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equivalent if $v = -\omega \times q + \omega h$

Example: Revolute Joint

- The joint only rotates ($h = 0$) at $q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- Rotation axis: $\omega = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- We have $v = -\omega \times q + \omega h = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- We have twist $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} \omega \\ v \end{bmatrix}$

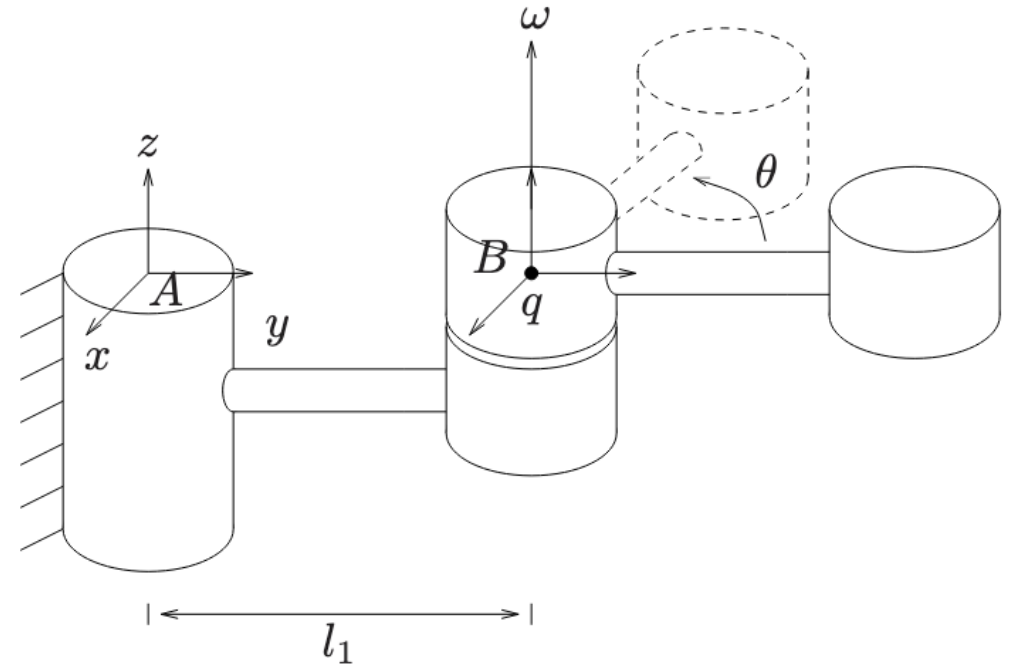


Example: Revolute Joint

- The exponential:

$$e^{\hat{\xi}\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{\hat{\omega}\theta} & (I - e^{\hat{\omega}\theta})\hat{\omega}v + \omega\omega^T v\theta \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 & l_1 \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 & l_1(1 - \cos \theta) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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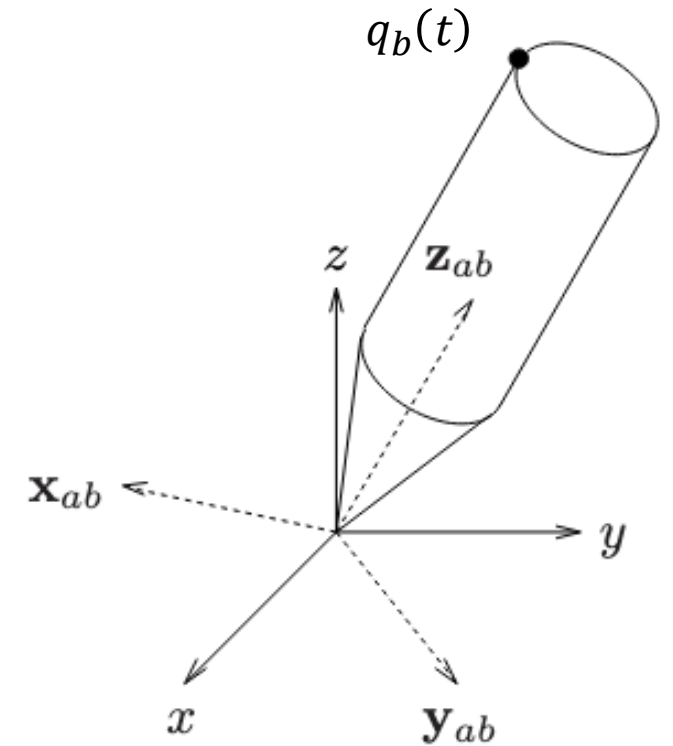
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$$\begin{aligned}\xi_S &= \begin{bmatrix} J_{s1} & J_{s2}(\theta) & \dots & J_{sn}(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{\theta}_n \end{bmatrix} \\ &= J_s(\theta) \dot{\theta}.\end{aligned}$$

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- Rotational velocity: we know $q_a(t) = R_b^a q_b(t)$

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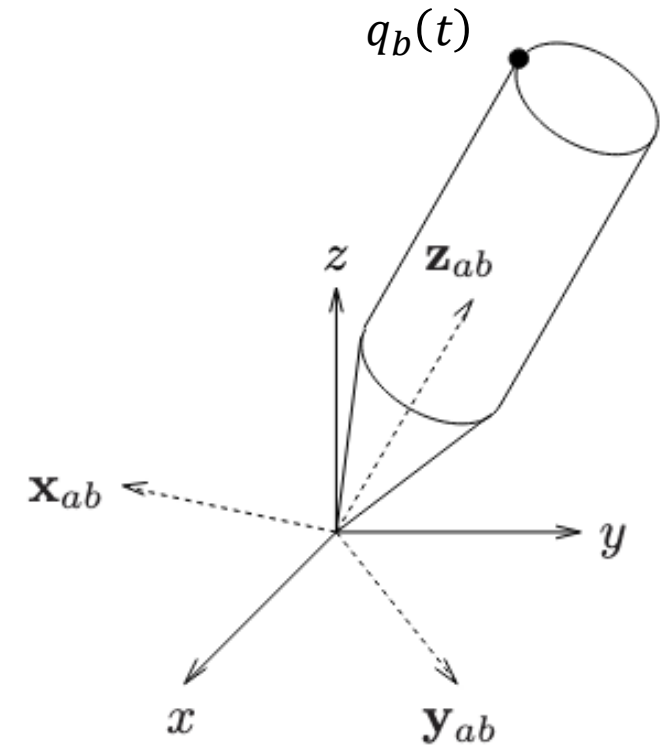
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$\hat{\omega}_{ab}^s$: instantaneous angular velocity of the object seen from Spatial (A) frame



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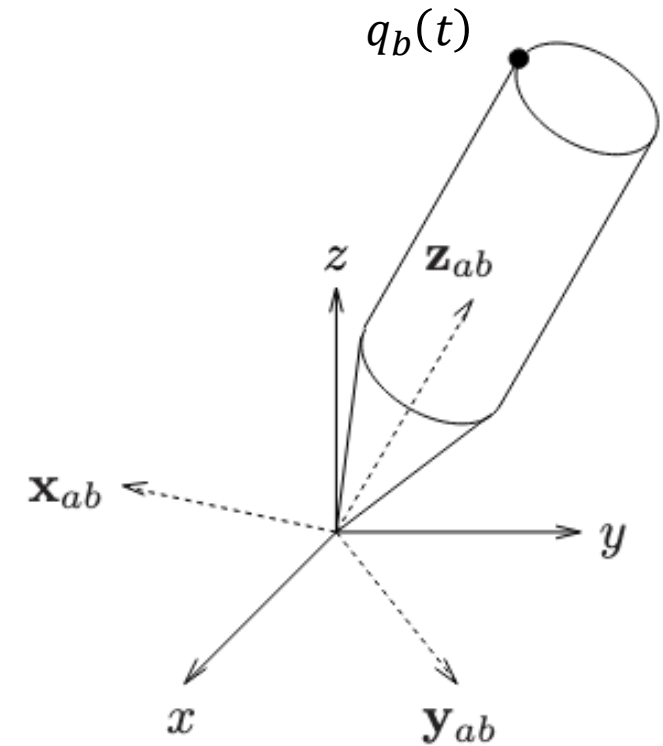
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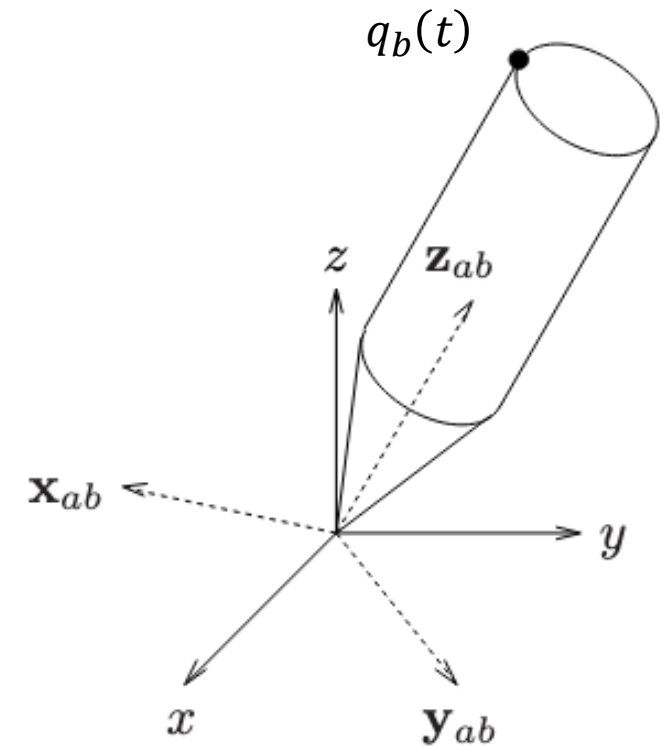
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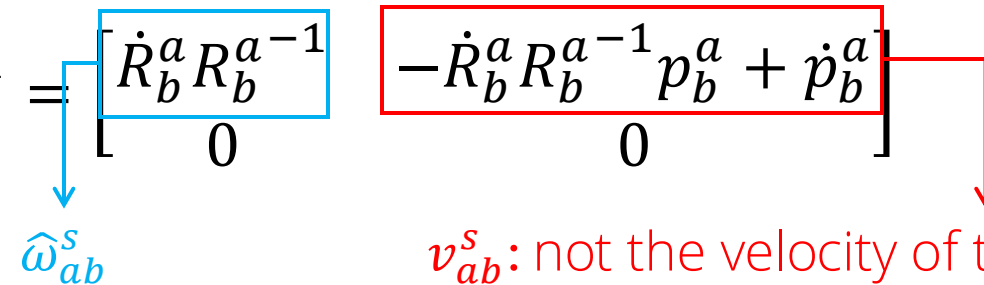
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v_{ab}^s : not the velocity of the body frame, but the instantaneous velocity of the point on an infinitely large body currently at the origin of the spatial (A) frame

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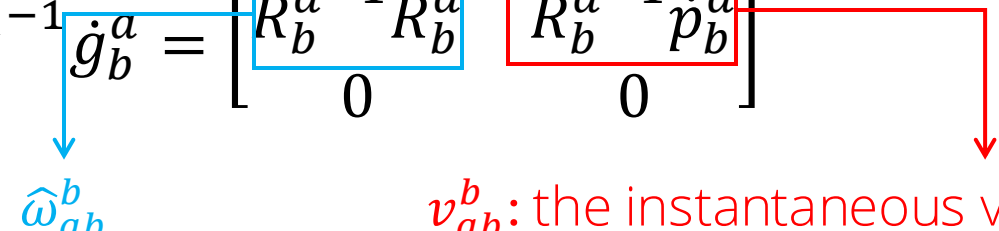
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v_{ab}^b : the instantaneous velocity at the body frame

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Association of Velocities of a Rigid Body at Different Coordinate Frames

- First, we know given any $u \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and $R \in SO(3)$, the following always holds:

$$R\hat{u}R^{-1} = \widehat{Ru}$$

Proof. Letting $r_i^\top$ denotes the i -th row of R

$$\begin{aligned}
 R\hat{u}R^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} r_1^\top(u \times r_1) & r_1^\top(u \times r_2) & r_1^\top(u \times r_3) \\ r_2^\top(u \times r_1) & r_2^\top(u \times r_2) & r_2^\top(u \times r_3) \\ r_3^\top(u \times r_1) & r_3^\top(u \times r_2) & r_3^\top(u \times r_3) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -r_3^\top u & r_2^\top u \\ r_3^\top u & 0 & -r_1^\top u \\ -r_2^\top u & r_1^\top u & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \widehat{Ru}
 \end{aligned}$$

$a^\top(b \times c) = b^\top(c \times a)$

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$$\begin{aligned} a \times b \\ &= -b \times a \\ \Rightarrow \hat{a}b &= -\hat{b}a \end{aligned}$$

Association of Velocities of a Rigid Body at Different Coordinate Frames

- We have:

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- Rewrite in a matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \omega_{ab}^s \\ v_{ab}^s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_b^a & 0 \\ \underbrace{\hat{p}_{ab}^s R_b^a}_{\text{Ad}_g} & R_b^a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{ab}^b \\ v_{ab}^b \end{bmatrix}$$

Ad_g : adjoint transformation for g_{ab}

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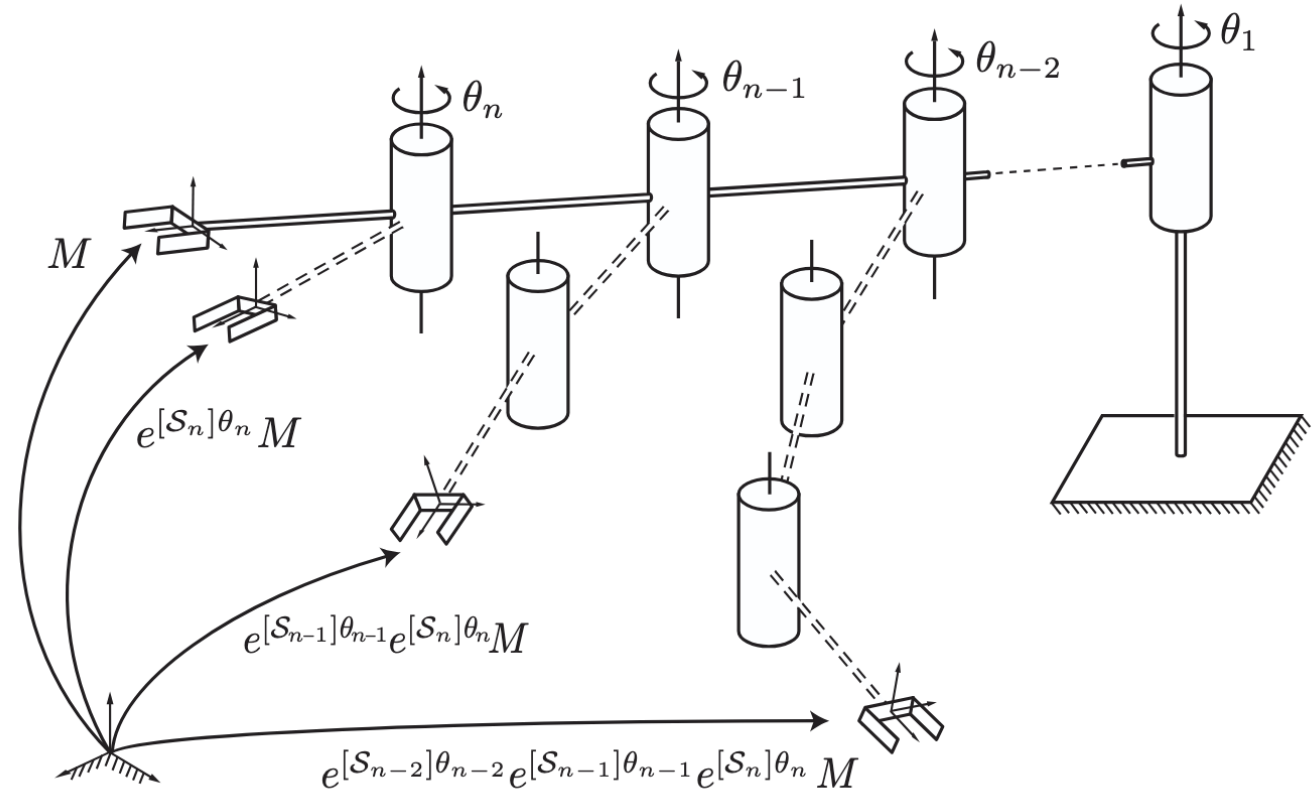
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Product of Exponential for an N-Link Open Chain

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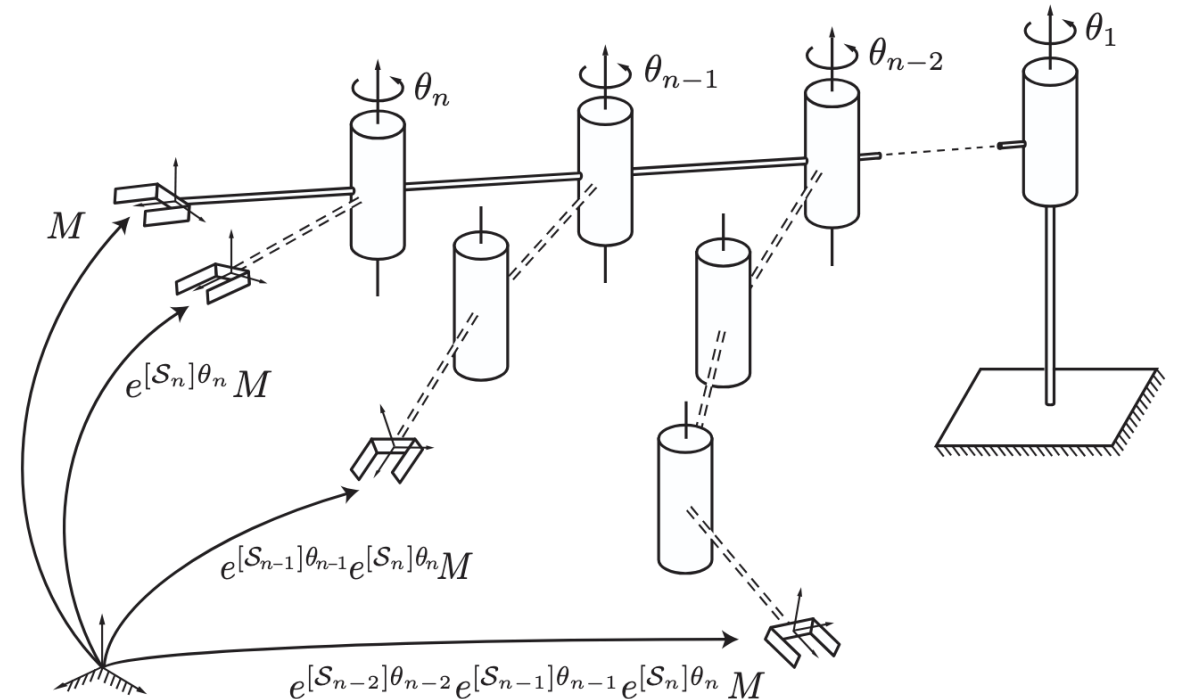
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Product of Exponential for an N-Link Open Chain

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- The twist of the spatial transformation:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\xi}^s &= \dot{T}T^{-1} = \hat{\xi}_1\dot{\theta}_1 + e^{\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}\hat{\xi}_2\dot{\theta}_2e^{-\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1} + e^{\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}e^{\hat{\xi}_2\theta_2}\hat{\xi}_3\dot{\theta}_3e^{-\hat{\xi}_2\theta_2}e^{-\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1} + \dots \\ &= \hat{\xi}_1\dot{\theta}_1 + e^{\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}\hat{\xi}_2e^{-\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}\dot{\theta}_2 + e^{\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}e^{\hat{\xi}_2\theta_2}\hat{\xi}_3e^{-\hat{\xi}_2\theta_2}e^{-\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}\dot{\theta}_3 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

For any $g \in SE(3)$ and $\hat{\xi} \in se(3)$, $g\hat{\xi}g^{-1} \in se(3)$ is a twist with twist coordinate $\text{Ad}_g\hat{\xi}$

- The twist coordinate:

$$\xi^s = \underbrace{\xi_1}_{J_{\xi_1}(\theta)}\dot{\theta}_1 + \underbrace{\text{Ad}_{e^{\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}}\xi_2}_{J_{\xi_2}(\theta)}\dot{\theta}_2 + \underbrace{\text{Ad}_{e^{\hat{\xi}_1\theta_1}e^{\hat{\xi}_2\theta_2}}\xi_3}_{J_{\xi_3}(\theta)}\dot{\theta}_3 + \dots$$

Product of Exponential for an N-Link Open Chain

- The twist coordinate:

$$\begin{aligned}\xi^s &= J_{\xi_1}(\theta)\dot{\theta}_1 + J_{\xi_2}(\theta)\dot{\theta}_2 + J_{\xi_3}(\theta)\dot{\theta}_3 + \dots \\ &= [J_{\xi_1} \quad J_{\xi_2} \quad J_{\xi_3} \quad \dots] \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = J_{\xi} \dot{\theta}\end{aligned}$$

Inverse Kinematic

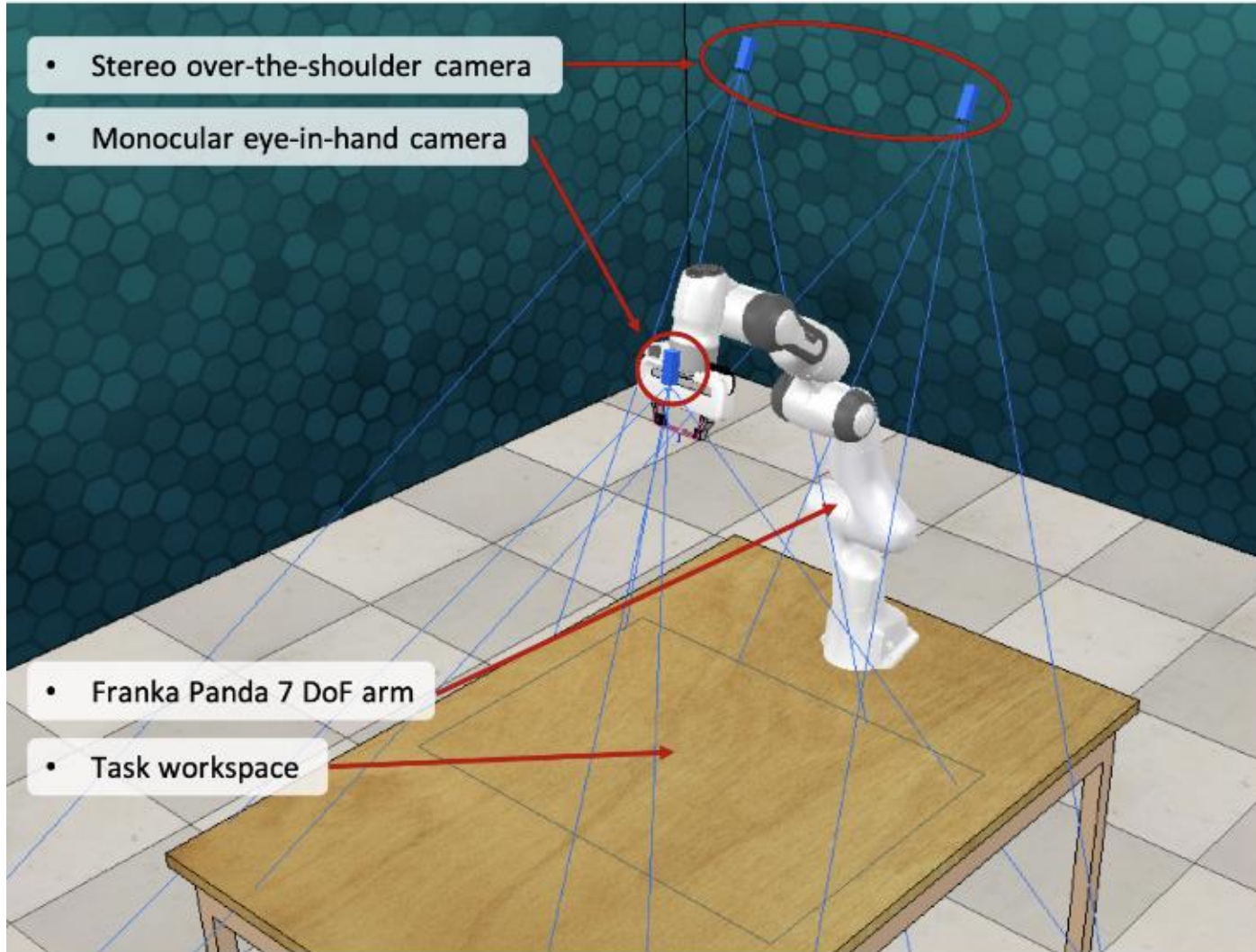
- Newton-Raphson Method:

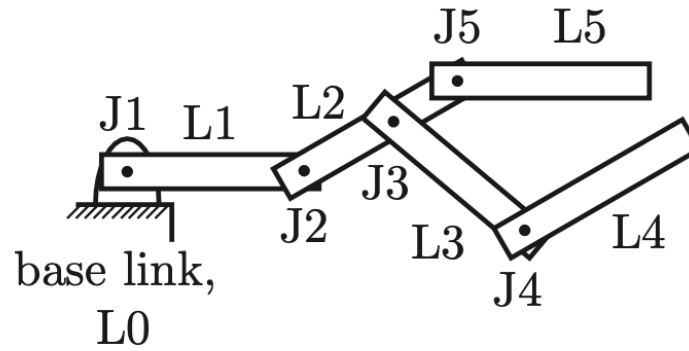
$$\Delta\theta = J^{-1}(\theta^0) (x_d - f(\theta^0)) .$$



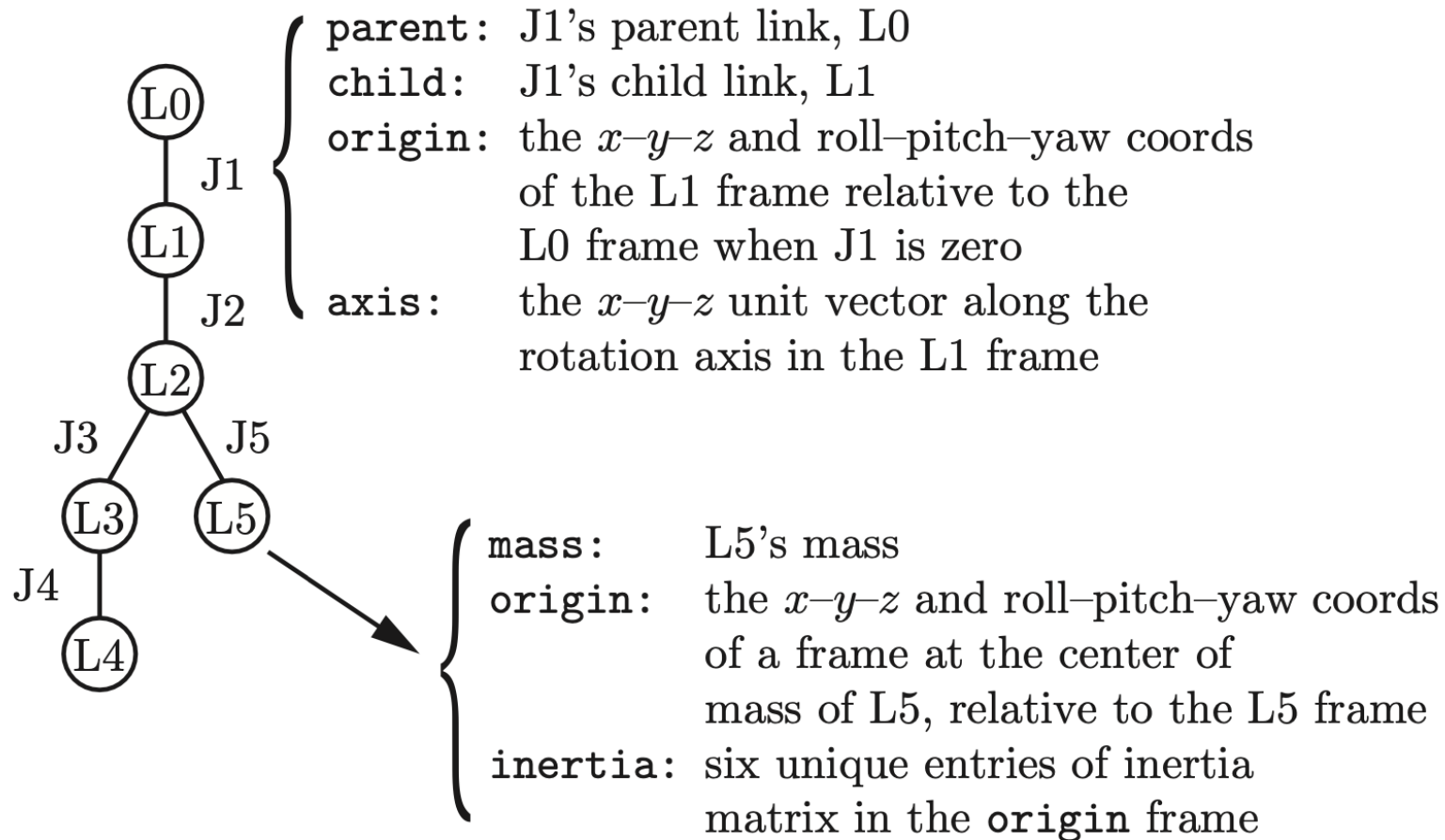
$$\Delta\theta = J_{\xi}^{-1}(\xi^{\Delta}), \text{ where } \xi^{\Delta} = \log(T_{current}^{-1}(\theta)T_{target})$$

How to Build a Robot in the Simulator?





Represent a Robot as a Tree



The Robot's URDF File

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<robot name="panda">
  <material name="aluminum">
    <color rgba="0.5 0.5 0.5 1"/>
  </material>
  <link name="panda_link0">
    <visual>
      <geometry>
        <mesh The mesh of the link for visualization
filename="franka_description/meshes/visual/link0.glb"/>
      </geometry>
    </visual>
    <collision>
      <geometry>
        <mesh The mesh of the link for collision checking
filename="franka_description/meshes/collision/link0.stl"/>
      </geometry>
    </collision>
    <inertial>
      <origin rpy="0 0 0" xyz="-0.041018 -0.00014 0.049974"/>
      <mass value="0.629769"/>
      <inertia ixx="0.00315" ixy="8.2904e-07" ixz="0.00015"
iyy="0.00388" iyz="8.2299e-06" izz="0.004285"/>
    </inertial>
  </link>
  Physical properties of the link
```

```
<link name="panda_link1">
  <visual>
    <geometry>
      <mesh
filename="franka_description/meshes/visual/link1.glb"/>
    </geometry>
  </visual>
  <collision>
    <geometry>
      <mesh
filename="franka_description/meshes/collision/link1.stl"/>
    </geometry>
  </collision>
  <inertial>
    <origin rpy="0 0 0" xyz="0.003875 0.002081 -0.04762"/>
    <mass value="4.970684"/>
    <inertia ixx="0.70337" ixy="-0.000139" ixz="0.006772"
iyy="0.70661" iyz="0.019169" izz="0.009117"/>
  </inertial>
</link>
<joint name="panda_joint1" type="revolute">
  <safety_controller k_position="100.0" k_velocity="40.0"
soft_lower_limit="-2.8973" soft_upper_limit="2.8973"/>
  <origin rpy="0 0 0" xyz="0 0 0.333"/>
  <parent link="panda_link0"/>
  <child link="panda_link1"/>
  <axis xyz="0 0 1"/>
  <limit effort="87" lower="-2.8973" upper="2.8973"
velocity="2.1750"/>
  <dynamics D="1" K="7000" damping="0.003" friction="0.0"
mu_coulomb="0" mu_viscous="16"/>
</joint>
```