

Manipulator Jacobian

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Manipulator Jacobian - relates joint velocities to end-effector velocities.

recall: $g_e(t) = g_e(\theta(t)) = \prod g_i(\theta(t))$

$$J(\theta) = \frac{\partial g_e}{\partial \theta} \quad \text{also written as } Dg_e$$

~~can be used to describe the
this gives the relation~~

to relate joint velocities to end-effector velocities:

$$\dot{g}_e = J(\theta) \cdot \dot{\theta}$$

Jacobian is, in general, time-varying and depends on the configuration $\theta(t)$.

To get the joint velocity in body frame:

$$\xi_e^b = g_e^{-1} \dot{g}_e = g_e^{-1} J(\theta) \cdot \dot{\theta}$$

and in the spatial frame:

$$\xi_e^s = \dot{g}_e g_e^{-1} = J(\theta) \cdot \dot{\theta} g_e^{-1}$$

} hybrid Jacobian?

Aside on control

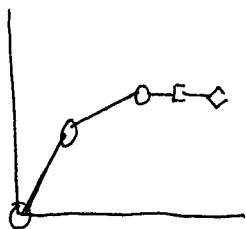
$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$x = \begin{Bmatrix} p \\ v \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{x} = \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{v} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} v \\ a \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -K & -D \end{Bmatrix} x + \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ B \end{Bmatrix} u$$

kinematic control
(position)

Recall ~~that~~ the manipulator from last time.



$$g_e = \begin{cases} l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ l_1 \sin(\theta_1) + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 \end{cases}$$

$$J(\theta) = \frac{\partial g_e}{\partial \theta} = \begin{matrix} -l_1 \sin(\theta_1) - l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & -l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & -l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \end{matrix}$$

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can use it to tell if we have full control of object at a point,
e.g., if we can reach nearby points w/ arbitrary configurations.

We can take advantage of the fact that this is a product of Lie groups:

$$\dot{g}_e = \dot{g}_1 g_2 g_3 g_4 + g_1 \dot{g}_2 g_3 g_4 + g_1 g_2 \dot{g}_3 g_4 + g_1 g_2 g_3 \dot{g}_4$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{S}_e^b &= \dot{g}_e^{-1} \dot{g}_e = g_4^{-1} g_3^{-1} g_2^{-1} g_1^{-1} [\dot{g}_1 g_2 g_3 g_4 + g_1 \dot{g}_2 g_3 g_4 + g_1 g_2 \dot{g}_3 g_4 + g_1 g_2 g_3 \dot{g}_4] \\ &= \text{Ad}_{g_2 g_3 g_4}^{-1} (g_1^{-1} \dot{g}_1) + \text{Ad}_{g_3 g_4}^{-1} (g_2^{-1} \dot{g}_2) + \text{Ad}_{g_4}^{-1} (g_3^{-1} \dot{g}_3) + \dot{g}_4 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \text{Ad}_{g_2 g_3 g_4}^T (\dot{J}_1^b \dot{\theta}) + \text{Ad}_{g_3 g_4}^T (\dot{J}_2^b \dot{\theta}) + \text{Ad}_{g_4}^T (\dot{J}_3^b \dot{\theta}) + \dot{J}_4^b \dot{\theta}$$

what are the J_i^b ? Well,

$$g_1 = \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (p, R(\theta))$$

$$g_1^{-1} \dot{g}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}^T J^T & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \{0, \dot{\theta}_1\}$$

$$J_{1,b}(\theta) \cdot \dot{\theta} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ \dot{\theta}_1 \end{Bmatrix} \quad J_{1,b}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$g_2 = \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) & \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dot{g}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} DR \dot{\theta}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow g_2^{-1} \dot{g}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_2^T J^T & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow J_{2,b}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_{3,b}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{lastly } g_4 = \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dot{g}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$g_4^{-1} \dot{g}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow J_{4,b}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\dot{\xi}_e^b = \text{Ad}_{g_2 g_3 g_4}^{-1} J_1 \dot{\theta} + \text{Ad}_{g_3 g_4} J_2 \dot{\theta} + \text{Ad}_{g_4} (J_3 \dot{\theta}) + J_4 \dot{\theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (R^T p)^\wedge R^{-1} \\ &= R^T p \times R v \\ & R^{-1} p^\wedge \end{aligned}$$

recall that in vector form, $\xi = \begin{Bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{Bmatrix}$, Adjoint is

$$\begin{aligned} p &= -R^T p \\ &= -(R^T p)^\wedge R \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ad}_g \xi = \begin{bmatrix} R & \hat{p}R \\ 0 & R \end{bmatrix} \xi = \begin{bmatrix} R & \hat{p}R \\ 0 & R \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ad}_g^{-1} \xi &= \text{Ad}_{g^{-1}} \xi \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} R^T & -R^T \hat{p} \\ 0 & R^T \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\dot{\xi}_e^b = \left(\text{Ad}_{g_2 g_3 g_4}^{-1} J_1 + \text{Ad}_{g_3 g_4}^{-1} J_2 + \text{Ad}_{g_4}^{-1} J_3 + J_4 \right) \dot{\theta}$$

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body manipulator Jacobian

$$J^b = \text{Ad}_{g_2 g_3 g_4}^{-1} J_1 + \text{Ad}_{g_3 g_4}^{-1} J_2 + \text{Ad}_{g_4}^{-1} J_3 + J_4$$

also, spatial manipulator Jacobian

$$J^s = \text{Ad}_g J^b = \text{Ad}_{g_1 g_2 g_3 g_4} J^b$$

$$= \text{Ad}_{g_1} J_1^b + \text{Ad}_{g_1 g_2} J_2^b + \text{Ad}_{g_1 g_2 g_3} J_3^b + \text{Ad}_{g_1 g_2 g_3 g_4} J_4^b$$

$$= J_1^s + \text{Ad}_{g_1} J_2^s + \text{Ad}_{g_1 g_2} J_3^s + \text{Ad}_{g_1 g_2 g_3} J_4^s$$

kinematically redundant \rightarrow has more than the minimally required degrees of freedom

self-motion manifold - set of joint values which can be used to achieve a desired configuration

internal motions - motions along the self-motion manifold

\hookrightarrow satisfy

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

product of exponents

$$J^s(\theta) = [\xi_1 \ \xi_2' \ \dots \ \xi_n']$$

$$\xi_i' = \text{Ad}_{(e^{\hat{\xi}_1 \theta_1} \dots e^{\hat{\xi}_{i-1} \theta_{i-1}})} \xi_i \quad \text{where} \quad \xi_i = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \theta_i} g_i^{-1}$$

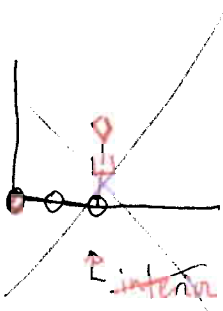
$$J^b(\theta) = [\xi_1^+ \ \dots \ \xi_{n-1}^+ \ \xi_n]$$

$$\xi_i^+ = \text{Ad}_{(e^{\hat{\xi}_i \theta_i} \dots e^{\hat{\xi}_n \theta_n})} \xi_i \quad \text{where} \quad \xi_i = g_i^{-1} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \theta_i}$$

Things to say

Two kinds of singularities

- 1) boundary
- 2) interior



$$g = \begin{cases} l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ l_1 \sin(\theta_1) + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ \theta_1 + \theta_2 \end{cases}$$

since $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^2$ can't expect full control

$$J(\theta) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \theta} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 \sin(\theta_1) - l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & -l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

does not have full row-rank

at $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{2}, \theta_2 = 0$

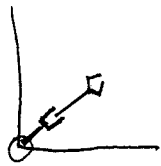
$$J\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, 0\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 - l_2 & -l_2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

in general, let $\theta_2 = 0$

$$J(\theta_1, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 - l_2 & -l_2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 \sin(\theta_1) - l_2 \sin(\theta_1) & -l_2 \sin(\theta_1) \\ l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1) & l_2 \cos(\theta_1) \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -(l_1 + l_2) \sin(\theta_1) & -l_2 \sin(\theta_1) \\ (l_1 + l_2) \cos(\theta_1) & l_2 \cos(\theta_1) \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{parallel} \\ \text{vectors} \end{array} \right\}$$



good example



$$g_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad g_2 = \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$g_3 = \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_3 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$g_e = g_1 g_2 g_3 = \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_3 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) & \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_3 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} + R(\theta_2) \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_3 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_1 + \theta_3 \cos(\theta_2) \\ \theta_3 \sin(\theta_2) \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_1 + \theta_3 \cos(\theta_2) \\ \theta_3 \sin(\theta_2) \\ \theta_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{g}_e = \begin{bmatrix} DR(\theta_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_2 \quad \dot{\theta}_1 + \dot{\theta}_3 \cos(\theta_2) +$$

$$\dot{g}_e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\theta_3 \sin(\theta_2) & \cos(\theta_2) \\ 0 & \theta_3 \cos(\theta_2) & \sin(\theta_2) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}$$

$$J(1, 0, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \theta_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}$$

loses rank.

$$J(1, \frac{\pi}{2}, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\theta_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition. A singular configuration or singularity is a joint-configuration of an open-chain manipulator in which the end-effector instantaneously loses a degree of freedom of its motion capability versus the number of degrees of freedom that normally prevail (i.e. end-effector loses its ability to move in one or more directions).

Practical Implications:

- 1) manipulator loses effectiveness
- 2) high joint velocities may be needed near a singular configuration in order to track a specified trajectory.
- 3) the manipulator has a high mechanical advantage in a singular configuration.

Finding Singular Configurations

- 1) Numerical approaches

$$\dot{V} = J(\theta) \dot{\theta} \quad \leftarrow \text{Jacobian loses rank.}$$

- 2) for non-redundant & kinematically sufficient arms,

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

at a singular configuration.

Find all θ^* such that determinant vanishes.

- 3) for redundant arms, $J(\theta) J^T(\theta)$ has same rank as $J(\theta)$, but is square. Find all θ^* such that

$$\det(J(\theta) J^T(\theta)) = 0$$

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- 4) for kinematically insufficient arms $J^T(\theta) J(\theta)$ has same rank as $J(\theta)$, but is square. Find all θ^* such that $\det(J^T(\theta) J(\theta)) = 0$.

Loss of control \rightarrow lose rank in the Jacobian

this is called a singularity

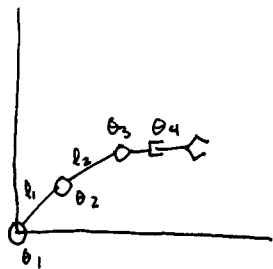
Two-types:

1) Workspace-boundary singularities

- when manipulator is fully stretched out or folded back on itself in such a way that the end-effector is at or near the workspace boundary

2) Workspace-interior singularities

- occur away from the workspace boundary; generally caused by a lining up of two or more axes.



$$g_e = \begin{Bmatrix} l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ l_1 \sin(\theta_1) + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$J(\theta) = \frac{\partial g_e}{\partial \theta} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 \sin(\theta_1) - l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & -l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & -l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + l_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & l_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) & \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- can use it to tell if we have full control of object at a point, e.g., if we can reach arbitrary configurations nearby.

$J(\theta)$ for $\theta_0 = (0, 0, 0, \theta_4)$ is

$$J(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ l_1 + l_2 + l_3 & l_2 + l_3 & l_3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

has full row-rank.

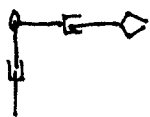
but, what if θ_4 is extended/retracted as far as possible?

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last option is restricted/not possible

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actuator limits cause a loss in rank (workspace boundary singularity)



$$g_e = g_1 g_2 g_3$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ \theta_1 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_3 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_2) & \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ \theta_1 \end{Bmatrix} + R(\theta_2) \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_3 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \theta_3 \cos(\theta_2) \\ \theta_1 + \theta_3 \sin(\theta_2) \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J(\theta) = \frac{\partial g_e}{\partial \theta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\theta_3 \sin(\theta_2) & \cos(\theta_2) \\ 1 & \theta_3 \cos(\theta_2) & \sin(\theta_2) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{at } \theta_0 = (\theta_1, 0, \theta_3), \quad J(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \theta_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

rank is 3

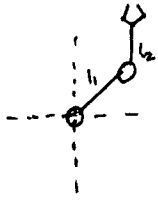
← can change to nearby configurations
no problem.
(important NEARBY)

$$\text{at } \theta_2 = (l_1, \frac{\pi}{2}, l_2), \quad J(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -l_2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

rank is 2

↑ workspace
↳ interior singularity

← lose local control authority.
can you see why physically?



$$g_e = \begin{Bmatrix} l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ l_1 \sin(\theta_1) + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{Bmatrix}$$

perhaps only consider
position control
only.

since $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^2$, can't expect full control.

$$J(\theta) = \frac{\partial g_e}{\partial \theta} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 \sin(\theta_1) - l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & -l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\ l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) & l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

does not have full row-rank.

at $\theta_0 = (0, 0)$,

$$J(\theta_0) = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 \sin(0) - l_2 \sin(0) & -l_2 \sin(0) \\ l_1 \cos(0) + l_2 \cos(0) & l_2 \cos(0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -(l_1 + l_2) \sin(0) & -l_2 \sin(0) \\ (l_1 + l_2) \cos(0) & l_2 \cos(0) \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{parallel} \\ \text{vectors} \end{array} \right\}$$

← same

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$J(\theta_0)$ has lost rank.