

Robotics

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Inertia Vectors and Inertia Scalars

If S is a set of particles P_1, \dots, P_v of masses m_1, \dots, m_v , respectively, \mathbf{p}_i is the position vector from a point O to P_i ($i = 1, \dots, v$), and \mathbf{n}_a is a unit vector, then a vector \mathbf{l}_a , called the inertia vector of S relative to O for \mathbf{n}_a , is defined as

$$\mathbf{l}_a \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^v m_i \mathbf{p}_i \times (\mathbf{n}_a \times \mathbf{p}_i) \quad (1)$$

A scalar I_{ab} , called the inertia scalar of S relative to O for \mathbf{n}_a and \mathbf{n}_b , where \mathbf{n}_b is a unit vector, is defined as

$$I_{ab} \triangleq \mathbf{l}_a \cdot \mathbf{n}_b \quad (2)$$

It follows from (1) and (2) that I_{ab} can be expressed as

$$I_{ab} = \sum_{i=1}^v m_i (\mathbf{p}_i \times \mathbf{n}_a) \cdot (\mathbf{p}_i \times \mathbf{n}_b) \quad (3)$$

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$$\mathbf{I}_{ab} = \sum_{i=1}^{\nu} m_i (\mathbf{p}_i \times \mathbf{n}_a) \cdot (\mathbf{p}_i \times \mathbf{n}_b) \quad (4)$$

This shows that

$$I_{ab} = I_{ba} \quad (5)$$

When $\mathbf{n}_a \neq \mathbf{n}_b$, I_{ab} is called the product of inertia of S relative to O for \mathbf{n}_a and \mathbf{n}_b . When $\mathbf{n}_a = \mathbf{n}_b$, the corresponding inertia scalar sometimes is denoted by I_a (rather than by I_{aa}) and is called the moment of inertia of S with respect to line L_a , where is the line passing through point O and parallel to \mathbf{n}_a . The moment of inertia of S with respect to a line L_a can always be expressed as

$$I_a = \sum_{i=1}^{\nu} m_i l_i^2 \quad (6)$$

where l_i^2 is the distance from P_i to line L_a , and as

$$I_a = mk_a^2 \quad (7)$$

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$$\mathbf{I}_a = mk_a^2 \quad (8)$$

where m is the total mass of S , and k_a is a real, non-negative quantity called the radius of gyration of S with respect to line L_a . Knowledge of the inertia vectors \mathbf{I}_1 , \mathbf{I}_2 , and \mathbf{I}_3 of a body B relative to a point O for three mutually perpendicular unit vectors \mathbf{n}_1 , \mathbf{n}_2 , and \mathbf{n}_3 enables one to find \mathbf{I}_a , the inertia vector of B relative to O for any unit vector \mathbf{n}_a , for

$$\mathbf{I}_a = \sum_{j=1}^3 a_j \mathbf{I}_j \quad (9)$$

where a_1 , a_2 , and a_3 are defined as

$$a_j \triangleq \mathbf{n}_a \cdot \mathbf{n}_j \quad (j = 1, 2, 3) \quad (10)$$

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Similarly, I_{ab} , the inertial scalar of B relative to O for \mathbf{n}_a and \mathbf{n}_b , can be found easily when the inertia scalars I_{jk} ($j, k = 1, 2, 3$) are known, for

$$I_{ab} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \sum_{k=1}^3 a_j I_{jk} b_k \quad (11)$$

where

$$b_k \triangleq \mathbf{n}_b \cdot \mathbf{n}_k \quad (k = 1, 2, 3) \quad (12)$$

The inertia scalars I_{jk} of a set S of particles relative to a point O for unit vectors \mathbf{n}_j and \mathbf{n}_k ($j, k = 1, 2, 3$) can be used to define a square matrix \mathbf{I} , called the inertia matrix of \mathbf{S} relative to O for \mathbf{n}_1 , \mathbf{n}_2 , and \mathbf{n}_3 as follows

$$\mathbf{I} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

Dynamic Model

The Dynamic Model provides the relations between the generalized forces \mathbf{U} acting on the robot and the motion over time. It is governed by

$$\Phi(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, \ddot{\mathbf{q}}) = \mathbf{U} \quad (14)$$

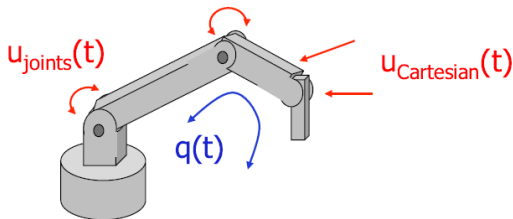


Figure: Dynamic model is a system of 2nd order differential equations.

Euler-Lagrange Method (Energy-Based Approach)

The basic assumption is that the robot consists of N links and considered as rigid bodies.

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_i}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) \right) = u_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N, \quad (15)$$

where \mathcal{L} is the *Lagrangian* function. Further, q_i is the generalized coordinates of the i th degree-of-freedom, respectively.

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) = T(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) - U(\mathbf{q}) \quad (16)$$

where $T(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}})$ is the kinetic energy and $U(\mathbf{q})$ is the potential energy of the robot. u_i are the i th non-conservative force or the generalized forces performing work on q_i

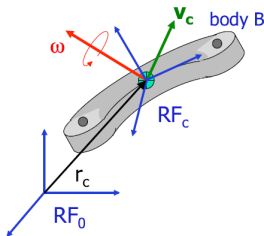
Kinetic energy of a rigid body

$$m = \int_B \rho(x, y, z) dx dy dz = \int_B dm \quad (17)$$

where m is the mass of body B and $\rho(x, y, z)$ is the mass density. The position of center of mass (CoM) is given by

$$\mathbf{r}_c = \frac{1}{m} \int_B \mathbf{r} dm \quad (18)$$

when all vectors are referred to a body frame RF_c attached to the center of mass, then $\mathbf{r}_c \Rightarrow \int_B \mathbf{r} dm = 0$



Kinetic energy of a rigid body

$$\int_B \mathbf{r} dm = 0 \Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} \int_B \mathbf{v}^T(x, y, z) \mathbf{v}(x, y, z) dm$$

We can use the fundamental kinematic relation

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_c + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{v}_c + \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega})\mathbf{r}$$

where $\mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega})$ is a skew-symmetric matrix.

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \int_B (\mathbf{v}_c + \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega})\mathbf{r})^T (\mathbf{v}_c + \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega})\mathbf{r}) dm$$

$$T = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_B \mathbf{v}_c^T \mathbf{v}_c dm}_t + \underbrace{\int_B \mathbf{v}_c^T \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) \mathbf{r} dm}_0 + \underbrace{\int_B \mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{S}^T(\boldsymbol{\omega}) \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) \mathbf{r} dm}_{\text{rotational kinetic energy}}$$

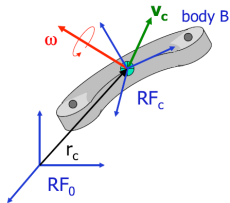


Figure: Kinetic Energy of body B.

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$$T = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_b \mathbf{v}_c^T \mathbf{v}_c dm}_t + \underbrace{\int_B \mathbf{v}_c^T \mathbf{S}(\omega) \mathbf{r} dm}_0 + \underbrace{\int_B \mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{S}^T(\omega) \mathbf{S}(\omega) \mathbf{r} dm}_{\text{rotational kinetic energy}}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m \mathbf{v}_c^T \mathbf{v}_c + \omega^T \mathbf{I}_c \omega$$

where \mathbf{I}_c is the body inertial matrix around CoM.

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^N T_i$$

$$T_i = \frac{1}{2} m_i \mathbf{v}_{ci}^T \mathbf{v}_{ci} + \omega_i^T \mathbf{I}_{ci} \omega_i$$

\mathbf{v}_{ci} is the velocity of the CoM and ω_i is the angular velocity of the whole body.

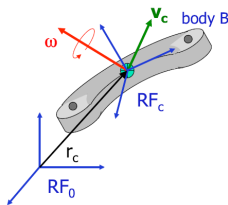


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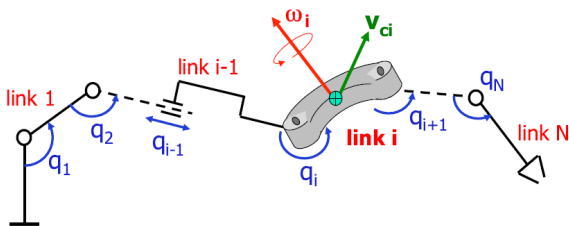


Figure: Kinetic Energy of body B.

$$\mathbf{v}_{ci} = \mathbf{J}_{Li}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\omega = \mathbf{J}_{Ai}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (m_i \mathbf{v}_{ci}^T \mathbf{v}_{ci} + \omega_i^T \mathbf{I}_{ci} \omega_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{q}}^T \left(\sum_{i=1}^N m_i \mathbf{J}_{Li}^T(\mathbf{q}) \mathbf{J}_{Li}(\mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{J}_{Ai}^T(\mathbf{q}) \mathbf{I}_{ci} \mathbf{J}_{Ai}(\mathbf{q}) \right) \dot{\mathbf{q}} \quad (19) \end{aligned}$$

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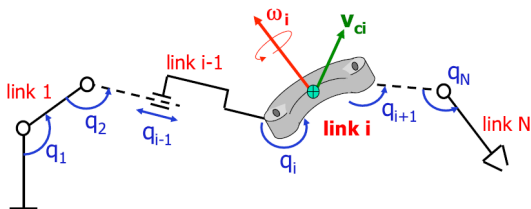


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$$T(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{q}}^T \underbrace{\left(\sum_{i=1}^N m_i \mathbf{J}_{L_i}^T(\mathbf{q}) \mathbf{J}_{L_i}(\mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{J}_{A_i}^T(\mathbf{q}) \mathbf{I}_{c_i} \mathbf{J}_{A_i}(\mathbf{q}) \right)}_{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})} \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$T(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{q}}^T \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q}) \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

where $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})$ is the robot inertia matrix (symmetric and positive definite for all configurations).

Potential energy of a rigid body

The potential energy of N rigid bodies is given by

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^N U_i$$

where the i th potential energy is

$$U_i = -m_i \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{r}_{0,ci}$$

where \mathbf{g} is the gravity acceleration vector. $\mathbf{r}_{0,ci}$ is the position vector of the CoM of the i th link and depend on \mathbf{q}

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{r}_{0,ci} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = {}^0\mathbf{A}_1(q_1) {}^1\mathbf{A}_2(q_2) \cdots {}^{i-1}\mathbf{A}_i(q_i) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{r}_{i,ci} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Applying Euler-Lagrange Equations

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_k}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_k}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) = u_k \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, N,$$

where \mathcal{L} is the *Lagrangian* function. Further, q_i is the generalized coordinates of the i th degree-of-freedom, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) &= T(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) - U(\mathbf{q}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} b_{ij}(q) \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j - U(q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_k}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) = \sum_j b_{kj} \dot{q}_j, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_k}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) \right) = \sum_j b_{kj} \ddot{q}_j + \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial b_{kj}}{\partial q_i} \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_k}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial b_{ij}}{\partial q_k} \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j - \frac{\partial U}{\partial q_k}$$

Applying Euler-Lagrange Equations

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_k}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) \right) = \sum_j \underbrace{b_{kj}}_{\text{nonlinear}} \underbrace{\ddot{q}_j}_{\text{linear}} + \sum_{i,j} \underbrace{\frac{\partial b_{kj}}{\partial q_i}}_{\text{nonlinear}} \underbrace{\dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j}_{\text{quadratic}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_k}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \underbrace{\frac{\partial b_{ij}}{\partial q_k}}_{\text{nonlinear}} \underbrace{\dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j}_{\text{quadratic}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial q_k}}_{\text{nonlinear}}$$

Dependence on q

- Linear terms in acceleration
- Quadratic terms in velocity
- Nonlinear terms in configuration

Applying Euler-Lagrange Equations

$$\underbrace{\sum_j b_{kj} \ddot{q}_j}_{\text{Inertial terms}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i,j} C_{kij}(q) \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j}_{\text{Centrifugal and Coriolis terms}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial q_k}}_{\text{Gravity}} = u_k \quad (k = 1, \dots, N)$$

Robot Dynamic Model

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})\ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{U}$$

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$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})\ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}})\dot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{U}$$

$$\left(\dot{\mathbf{M}} - 2\mathbf{S}\right)^T = -\left(\dot{\mathbf{M}} - 2\mathbf{S}\right)$$

Questions please