MEE5114 Advanced Control for Robotics Lecture 6: Velocity Kinematics: Geometric and Analytic Jacobian of Open Chain

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• Geometric Jacobian Derivations

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Velocity Kinematics



- Velocity Kinematics: How does the velocity of {b} relate to the joint velocities $\dot{\theta}_1, \dots, \dot{\theta}_n$
- This depends on how to represent $\{b\}\sp{s}\sp\sp\sp{s}\sp{s}\sp{s}\sp{s}\sp{s}\sp{s}\sp{s}\sp{s}\s$
 - Twist representation \rightarrow Geometric Jacobian

- Local coordinate of SE(3) \rightarrow Analytic Jacobian

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Simple Illustration Example: Geometric Jacobian (1/2)



Simple Illustration Example: Geometric Jacobian (2/2)

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Geometric Jacobian: General Case (1/3)

• Let $\mathcal{V} = (\omega, v)$ be the end-effector twist (coordinate-free notation), we aim to find $J(\theta)$ such that

$$\mathcal{V} = J(\theta)\dot{\theta} = J_1(\theta)\dot{\theta_1} + \dots + J_n(\theta)\dot{\theta_n}$$

• The *i*th column $J_i(\theta)$ is the end-effector *velocity* when the robot is rotating about S_i at unit speed $\dot{\theta}_i = 1$ while all other joints do not move (i.e. $\dot{\theta}_j = 0$ for $j \neq i$).

• Therefore, in **coordinate free** notation, J_i is just the screw axis of joint i:

$$J_i(\theta) = \mathcal{S}_i(\theta)$$

Geometric Jacobian: General Case (2/3)

- The actual coordinate of S_i depends on θ as well as the reference frame.
- The simplest way to write Jacobian is to use local coordinate:

$${}^{i}J_{i} = {}^{i}S_{i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

• In fixed frame $\{0\}$, we have

$${}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0}J_i(\theta) = {}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0}X_i(\theta) \, {}^{\scriptscriptstyle i}S_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \tag{1}$$

- Recall: X_i is the change of coordinate matrix for spatial velocities.
- Assume $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n)$, then

$${}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0}T_i(\theta) = e^{[{}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0}\!\bar{\mathcal{S}}_1]\theta_1} \cdots e^{[{}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0}\!\bar{\mathcal{S}}_i]\theta_i} M \quad \Rightarrow \quad {}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0}\!X_i(\theta) = \left[\operatorname{Ad}_{{}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0}\!T_i(\theta)}\right] \tag{2}$$

Geometric Jacobian: General Case (3/3)

- The Jacobian formula (1) with (2) is conceptually simple, but can be cumbersome for calculation. We now derive a recursive Jacobian formula
- Note: ${}^{0}J_{i}(\theta) = {}^{0}S_{i}(\theta)$ - For i = 1, ${}^{0}S_{1}(\theta) = {}^{0}S_{1}(0) = {}^{0}\overline{S}_{1}$ (independent of θ)

- For
$$i = 2$$
, ${}^{0}\!S_{2}(\theta) = {}^{0}\!S_{1}(\theta_{1}) = \left[\operatorname{Ad}_{\hat{T}(\theta_{1})}\right] {}^{0}\!\bar{\mathcal{S}}_{2}$, where $\hat{T}(\theta_{1}) \triangleq e^{[{}^{0}\!\bar{\mathcal{S}}_{1}]\theta_{1}}$

- For general i, we have

$${}^{0}J_{i}(\theta) = {}^{0}S_{i}(\theta) = \left[\operatorname{Ad}_{\hat{T}(\theta_{1},\dots,\theta_{i-1})}\right] {}^{0}\bar{S}_{i}$$
where
$$\hat{T}(\theta_{1},\dots,\theta_{i-1}) \triangleq e^{[{}^{0}\bar{S}_{1}]\theta_{1}} \cdots e^{[{}^{0}\bar{S}_{i-1}]\theta_{i-1}}$$
(3)

Geometric Jacobian Example



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Analytic Jacobian

- Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$ be the task space variable of interest with desired reference x_d
 - E.g.: x can be Cartesian + Euler angle of end-effector frame
 - p < 6 is allowed, which means a partial parameterization of SE(3), e.g. we only care about the position or the orientation of the end-effector frame
- Analytic Jacobian: $\dot{x} = J_a(\theta)\dot{\theta}$
- Recall Geometric Jacobian: $\mathcal{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega \\ v \end{bmatrix} = J(\theta)\dot{\theta}$
- They are related by:

$$J_a(\theta) = E(x)J(\theta) = E(\theta)J(\theta)$$

- E(x) can be easily found with given parameterization \boldsymbol{x}

Simple Illustration Example: Analytic Jacobian (1/3)



Simple Illustration Example: Analytic Jacobian (2/3)

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Simple Illustration Example: Analytic Jacobian (3/3)

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