

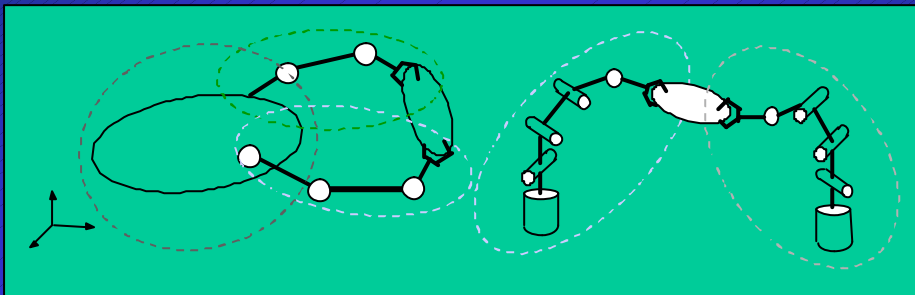


Modular Control Architectures

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Multirobot System

- **Multirobot System:** *A structure is considered to be a Multirobot System when it is seen as the composition of different “Basic Robotic Units” each one characterized by its own controlled capabilities*
Task execution by part of a Multirobot System necessarily requires the Coordination (explicit or implicit) of the composing robotic units



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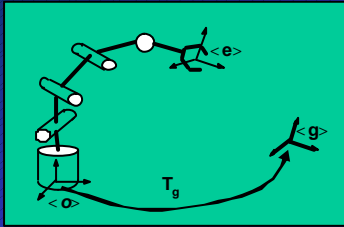


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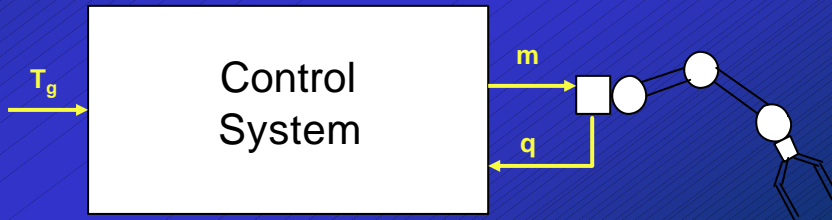


Non Defective Single Arm: Position Task

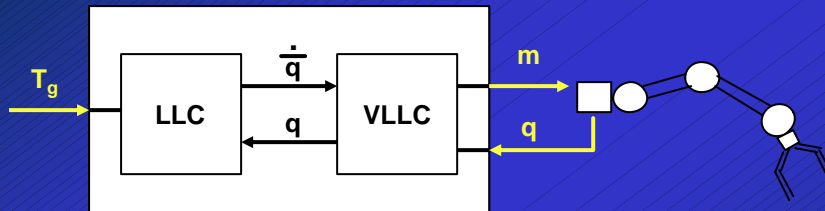


Task objective

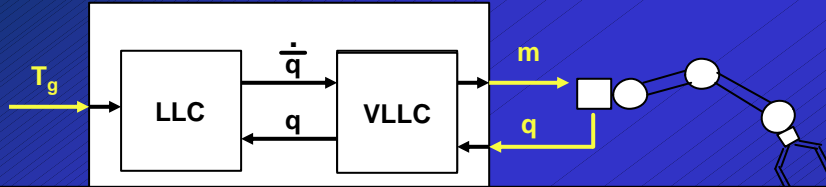
To design a control system to drive the end-effector frame $\langle e \rangle$ toward the goal frame $\langle g \rangle$.



Control System Structure



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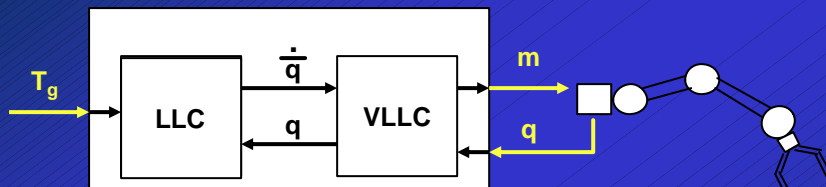


Very Low Level Control

- Direct HW interaction
 - sensors reading
 - actuator driving
- Joint velocity control loop
- Implementation
 - distributed: one control loop per joint possibly realized by dedicated devices
 - centralized: dynamic compensation, adaptive techniques, ...



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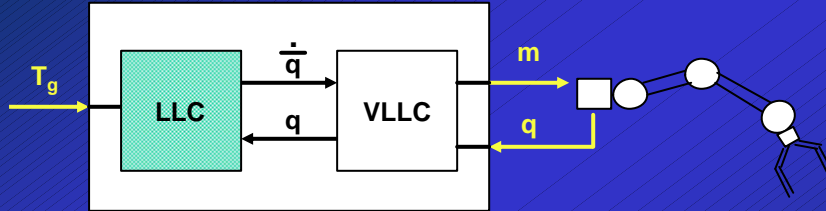


Low Level Control

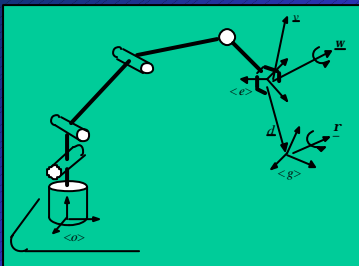
- Cartesian position control loop
- Algorithmic features
 - robust kinematic inversion
 - singularity avoidance
 - obstacle avoidance
 - joint manouvring functionality
 - ...



Control System Structure



Low Level Control



$$e^T \doteq [r^T, d^T]$$

$$\dot{x}^T \doteq [w^T, v^T] \quad (\text{abuse of notation})$$

$$V \doteq \frac{1}{2} e^T e \Rightarrow \dot{V} = -e^T (\dot{x} - \dot{x}^*)$$

Then, with \dot{q} such that:

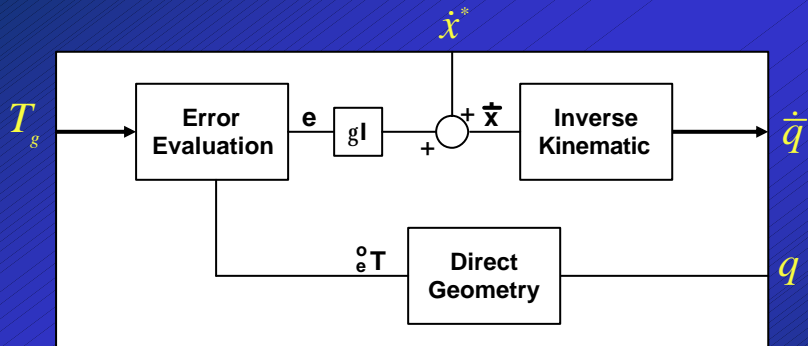
$$\dot{x} = \dot{\bar{x}} \doteq g e + \dot{x}^* = J \dot{q} \quad ; \quad g > 0$$

Convergence is guaranteed

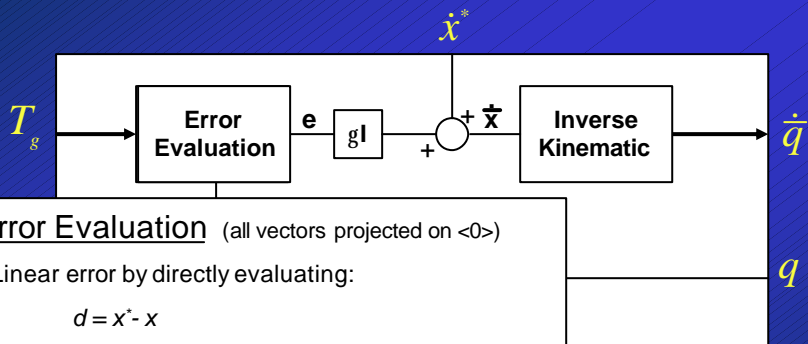
(inside the “*dexterous reachable workspace*”, provided no singularities occur)



Low Level Control



Low Level Control



Error Evaluation (all vectors projected on $\langle 0 \rangle$)

- Linear error by directly evaluating:

$$d = x^* - x$$

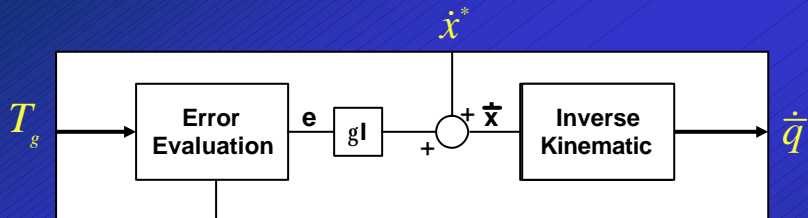
- Angular error by Versor Lemma:

$$(i_e \cdot i_s) + (j_e \cdot j_s) + (k_e \cdot k_s) = 1 + 2\cos(J)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [(i_e \times i_s) + (j_e \times j_s) + (k_e \times k_s)] = r \sin(J)$$



Low Level Control



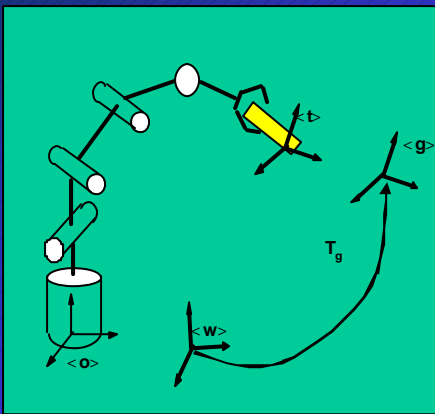
Inverse Kinematic (all vectors projected on $\langle 0 \rangle$)

- SVD based "regularized" Jacobian Pseudo-inversion:

$$\dot{q} = J^\# \dot{x}$$



Low Level Control: Tool and World Frames



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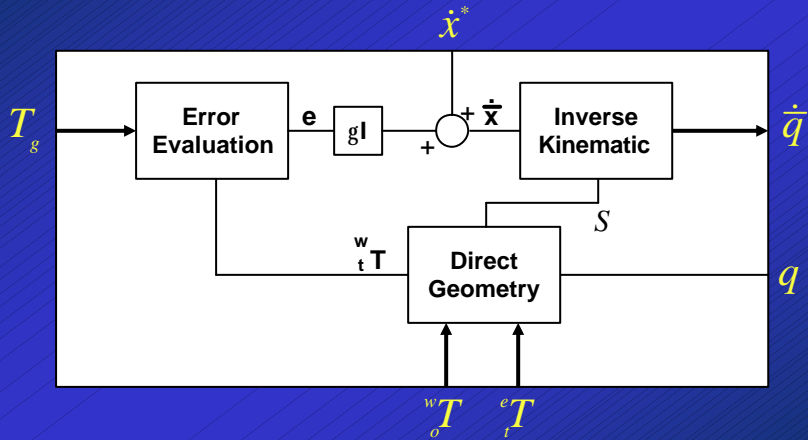
To drive the tool frame $\langle t \rangle$ toward the goal frame $\langle g \rangle$.

Remark

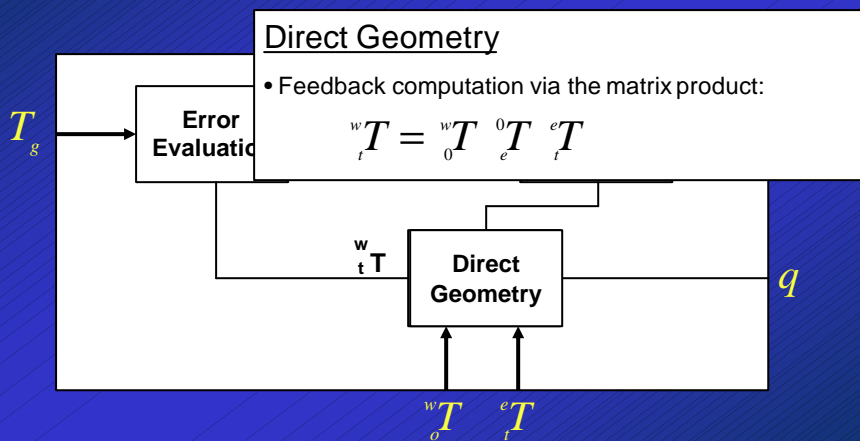
The goal transformation matrix $\langle g \rangle$ is now expressed w.r.t. the world frame $\langle w \rangle$.



Low Level Control



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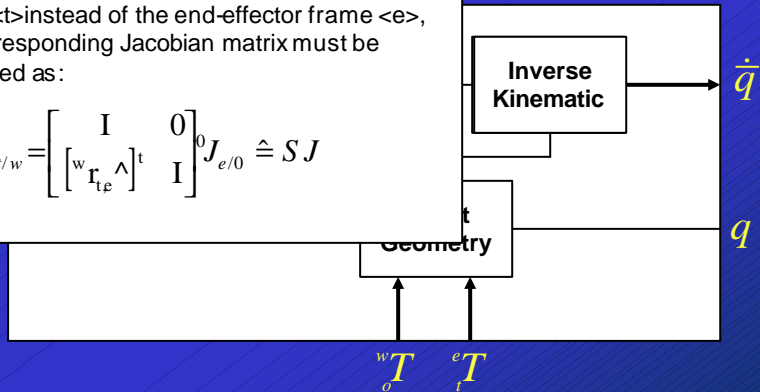


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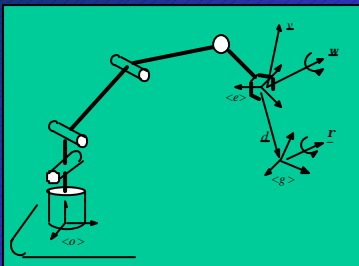
Inverse Kinematic

- Since kinematic must be inverted w.r.t the tool frame <t> instead of the end-effector frame <e>, the corresponding Jacobian matrix must be evaluated as:

$${}^w J_{t/w} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ [{}^w \mathbf{r}_{te} \wedge]^t & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} {}^0 J_{e/0} \hat{=} S J$$



Non Defective Single Arm: Singularity Avoidance



Manipulability Measure (MM):

$$m \doteq \det(JJ^T) \geq 0$$

MM Time Derivative:

$$\dot{m} = p \dot{q} \quad ; \quad p \doteq \frac{\partial m}{\partial q}$$

Then, with \dot{q} such that:

$$\dot{m} = \dot{\bar{m}} \doteq I \dot{m} = p \dot{q} \quad ; \quad I > 0$$

A non decreasing behaviour of MM would be guaranteed



Combined Primary and Secondary Task

To combine the two tasks can be introduced a priority that leads to a \dot{q} such that:

$$\dot{q} = J^\# \dot{x} + h(\dot{m} - k \dot{x})$$

Goal Frame Reaching
(Primary)

Singularity Avoidance
(Secondary)

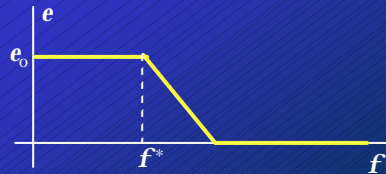
$$k \doteq p J^\#$$

$$h \doteq [p(I - J^\#J)]^\#$$

Remarks

$$h = (I - J^\#J)p^\top \frac{1}{f + e(f)}$$

$$f = p(I - J^\#J)(I - J^\#J)p^\top$$



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$$\dot{x} = \dot{x}$$

$$\dot{m} = \frac{f}{f+e} \dot{m} + \frac{e}{f+e} k \dot{x}$$



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Conclusions

- Goal Frame Reaching **and** Singularity Avoidance are guaranteed only for goal frames located inside the “*dexterous reachable workspace*” **and** when the underlying posture is such to have $f \geq f^*$ ($e = 0$)
- Singularities **cannot** be avoided in case of goal frames located outside the “*dexterous reachable workspace*”



MM Based Priority Change

To invert the priority of the two tasks can be introduced a Cartesian correction term \dot{z} thus leading to:

$$\dot{q} = J^*(\dot{\bar{x}} + \dot{z}) + h[\dot{\bar{m}} - k(\dot{\bar{x}} + \dot{z})]$$

In such a way to fulfill:

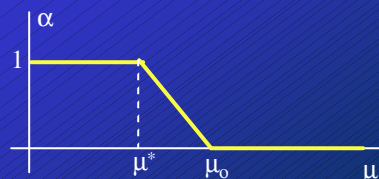
$$\dot{\bar{m}} - k(\dot{\bar{x}} + \dot{z}) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad m < m_0 \quad (\text{and zero otherwise})$$

In this way:

$$\dot{m} = \dot{\bar{m}} \quad \text{if} \quad m < m_0$$

Then a possible choice for \dot{z} is:

$$\dot{z} = a k^*(\dot{\bar{m}} - k \dot{\bar{x}})$$



MM Based Priority Change

Remarks

- The proposed control signal with the introduction of the correction term \dot{z}

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\vec{q}} &= J^{\#}(\dot{\vec{x}} + \dot{z}) + h[\dot{\vec{m}} - k(\dot{\vec{x}} + \dot{z})] \\ \dot{z} &= \mathbf{a} k^{\#}(\dot{\vec{m}} - k \dot{\vec{x}})\end{aligned}$$

leads to an actual cartesian velocity (when the scalar factor α is unitary)

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = k^{\#} \dot{\vec{m}} + [I - k^{\#} k] \dot{\vec{x}}$$

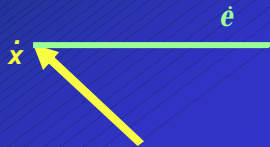
that induces a cartesian velocity error $\dot{\mathbf{e}}$:

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}} \triangleq \dot{\vec{x}} - \dot{\vec{x}} = k^{\#} k \dot{\vec{x}} - k^{\#} \dot{\vec{m}}$$



MM Based Priority Change

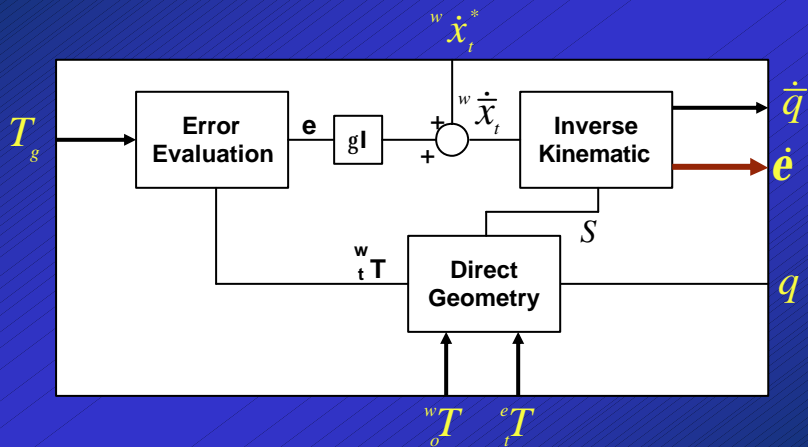
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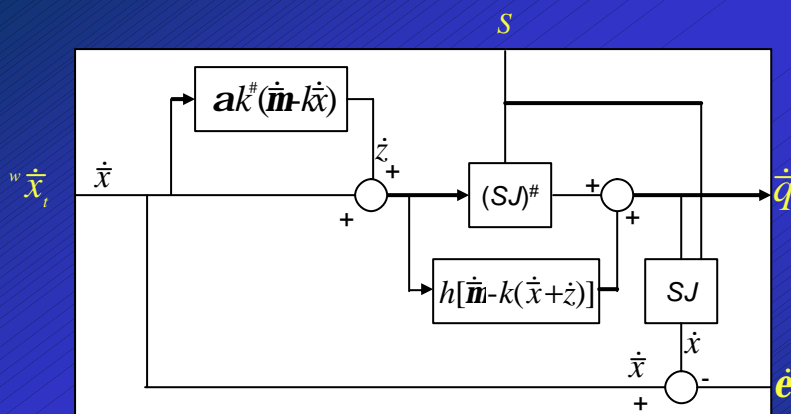
- Goal reaching task **cannot** be achieved in case of goal frames located outside the “*dexterous reachable workspace*”



Implementation: Low Level Control



Implementation: Inverse Kinematic



$$\dot{q} = J^*(\dot{x} + \dot{z}) + h[\dot{m} - k(\dot{x} + \dot{z})]$$

$$\dot{e} = a(k^{\#} k \dot{x} - k^{\#} \dot{m})$$

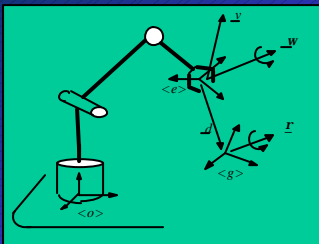


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Defective single arm



$$\mathbf{e}^T \doteq [\mathbf{r}^T, \mathbf{d}^T]$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}^T \doteq [\mathbf{w}^T, \mathbf{v}^T]$$

$$\mathbf{V} \doteq \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e} \Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{V}} = -\mathbf{e}^T (\dot{\mathbf{x}} - \dot{\mathbf{x}}^*)$$

In this case (in general) the equality:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{J} \dot{\mathbf{q}} = \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} \doteq \mathbf{g} \mathbf{e} + \dot{\mathbf{x}}^* \quad ; \quad \mathbf{g} > 0$$

Can be fulfilled in a **least square sense** only. Therefore the pseudoinversion of the Jacobian matrix thus introduces an error also when the arm is far from its singularities (w.r.t. normal rank) :

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}} = [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{J}\mathbf{J}^\#] \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}$$



Defective single arm

A singularity avoidance (w.r.t. normal rank) task can be however introduced again :

$$\dot{\mathbf{m}} = \ddot{\mathbf{m}} \doteq \mathbf{I} \mathbf{m} = p \dot{\mathbf{q}} \quad ; \quad \mathbf{I} > 0$$

And also in this case task priority composition can be introduced, leading to:

$$\ddot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{J}^{\#} \ddot{\mathbf{x}} + h(\ddot{\mathbf{m}} - k \ddot{\mathbf{x}})$$

with:

$$h \doteq [p(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{J}^{\#} \mathbf{J})]^{\#}$$

$$k \doteq p \mathbf{J}^{\#}$$

If \mathbf{J} is normally full rank
vector h is a null one



Defective single arm

Task priority inversion can be achieved by again introducing an additional Cartesian term $\dot{\mathbf{z}}$ of similar form of full rank case, leading to:

$$\ddot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{J}^{\#} (\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \dot{\mathbf{z}}) + h[\ddot{\mathbf{m}} - k(\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \dot{\mathbf{z}})]$$

And choose in such a way that:

$$\ddot{\mathbf{m}} - k(\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \dot{\mathbf{z}}) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \mathbf{m} < \mathbf{m}_0$$

Then a possible choice for $\dot{\mathbf{z}}$ is again:

$$\dot{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{a} k^{\#} (\ddot{\mathbf{m}} - k \ddot{\mathbf{x}})$$

The correction term $\dot{\mathbf{z}}$ induces thus a further error, leading to have:

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}} = [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{J} \mathbf{J}^{\#}] \dot{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{a} [k^{\#} k \dot{\mathbf{x}} - k^{\#} \dot{\mathbf{m}}]$$

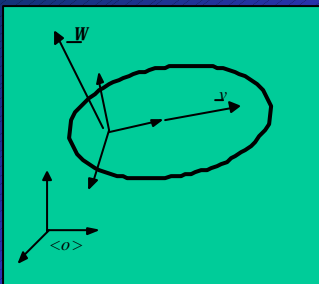


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Non-Holonomic Vehicle



For such kind of systems only velocity control is here considered

$$\dot{x} = J\dot{J}$$

where

$$J^T \doteq [O^T, n^T]$$

As seen before, the (left) pseudoinversion of the Jacobian matrix introduces a velocity error:

$$\dot{e} = [I - JJ^\#] \dot{x}$$

In this case, however, it represents the overall error, being a singularity avoidance task a meaningless one.



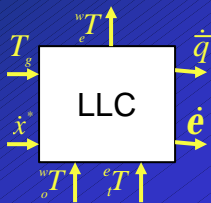
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Atomic Modules

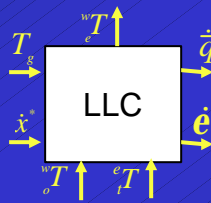
- Non-Defective arm



$$\dot{q} = J^*(\dot{x} + \dot{z}) + h[\dot{m} - k(\dot{x} + \dot{z})]$$

$$\dot{e} = a(k^*k \dot{x} - k^* \dot{m})$$

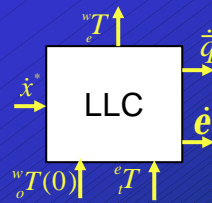
- Defective arm



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- Non-holonomic vehicle



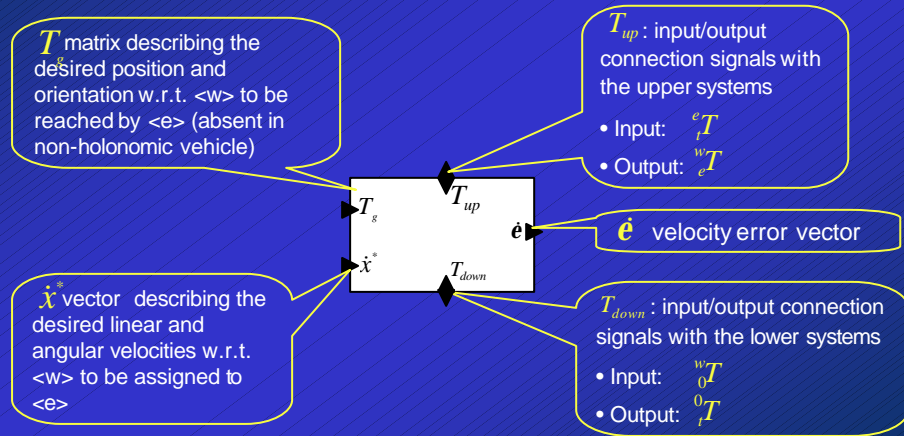
$$\dot{q} = J^* \dot{x}$$

$$\dot{e} = [I - JJ^*] \dot{x}$$

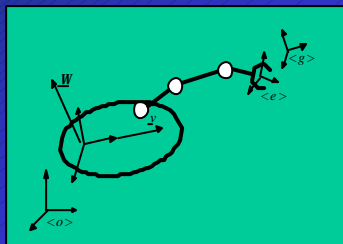


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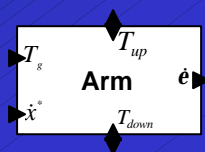
In the following the LLC and VLLC modules of each robot will be represented as a unique box (internally realized according to the specific robot features) :



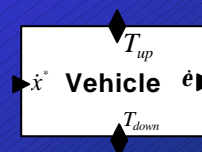
A Preliminary Example



- Non-Defective arm



- Non-holonomic vehicle



Serial Composition

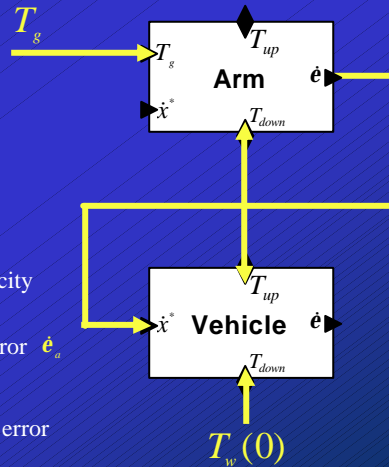
Reference velocity composition

- The vehicle <e> coincides with the arm <0>
- The arm is asked to reach the goal frame
- If it **can** achieve the required <e> velocity

$$\dot{e}_a = 0$$
 and no vehicle motion is required
- If the arm **cannot** achieve the the required <e> velocity

$$\dot{e}_a \neq 0$$
 then the vehicle is required to compensate for the error \dot{e}_a
- The vehicle however **could not** achieve, it also, the required velocity, thus in turn originating its output error

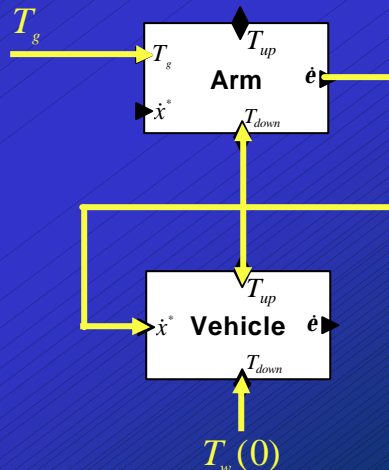
$$\dot{e}_v \neq 0$$



Serial Composition

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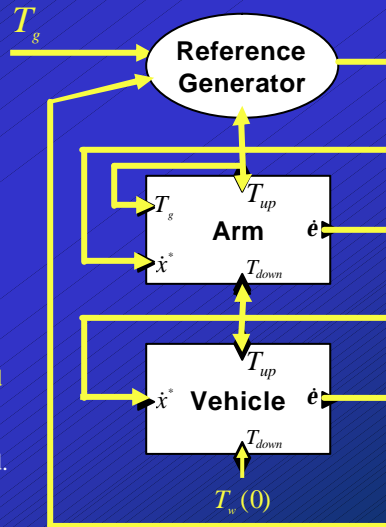
- To compensate also for \dot{e}_v the idea is to send it back again to the arm as an **additional** Cartesian velocity reference to be assigned **before** the two systems start moving.
- To this aim some changes must be introduced in the proposed scheme



Serial Composition

Reference velocity composition

- A reference generator block is introduced.
- It first computes the error between the reference frame and the end-effector frame and assigns a reference velocity vector to the arm.
- The arm is therefore controlled via velocity reference only and the position reference T_g is shorted with its the feedback position T_e .
- The vehicle error signal \dot{e}_v is sent to the reference generator block within which is added to the previous one.
- The overall procedure can be furtherly reiterated.

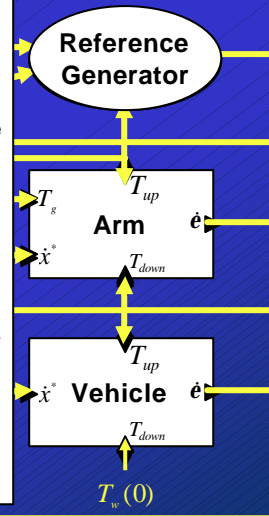
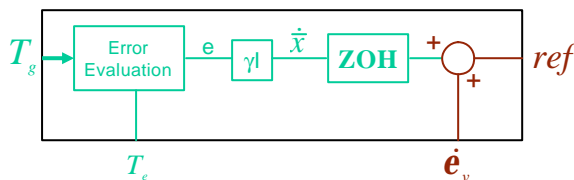


Serial Composition

Reference Generator

This block is divided in two parts, working with different sampling rates:

- The Cartesian error computation (green) is evaluated once and kept constant by the 'zero order hold' block.
- The error coming from the vehicle (red) is sent to the arm several times within the larger sampling interval



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Lyapunov Analysis

$$V \doteq \frac{1}{2} e^T e \Rightarrow \dot{V} = -e^T (\dot{x}_v + \dot{x}_a - \dot{x}^*) \quad \tilde{x} \doteq g + \tilde{x}^*$$

First iteration: 3 possible cases

1. If the arm can achieve the task by itself:

$$\dot{x}_v = \tilde{x} \quad \dot{x}_a = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{V} = -g^T e$$

2. The arm introduces an error that the vehicle can compensate for

$$\dot{x}_v = \tilde{x} - \dot{e}_{a1} \quad \dot{x}_a = \dot{e}_{a1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{V} = -g^T e$$

3. The arm introduces an error that the vehicle cannot compensate for

$$\dot{x}_v = \tilde{x} - \dot{e}_{a1} \quad \dot{x}_a = \dot{e}_{a1} - \dot{e}_{v1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{V} = -g^T e + e^T \dot{e}_{v1}$$



Lyapunov Analysis

$$V = \frac{1}{2} e^T e \Rightarrow \dot{V} = -e^T (\dot{\tilde{x}}_a + \dot{\tilde{x}}_v - \dot{\tilde{x}}) \quad \tilde{x} \triangleq \mathbf{g} + \tilde{x}^*$$

Second iteration: 3 possible cases

1. The arm can achieve the new velocity request

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}_a = (\tilde{x} + \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v1}) - \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} \quad \dot{\tilde{x}}_v = \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} - \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{V} = -\mathbf{g}^T e$$

2. The arm introduces a second error that the vehicle can compensate for

$$\dot{\tilde{x}}_a = (\tilde{x} + \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v1}) - (\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} + \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a2}) \quad \dot{\tilde{x}}_v = (\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} + \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a2}) - \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{V} = -\mathbf{g}^T e$$

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Lyapunov Analysis

Remarks

1. After the i-th iteration the expression of the time derivative of Lyapunov function is

$$\dot{V}_i = -\mathbf{g}^T e + e^T \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$$

2. At first iteration the arm error signal is generated via a projection operation plus a constant term while the vehicle error is the projection operation of the arm error

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} = k^* k \tilde{x} - k^* \mathbf{m} \quad \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v1} = (I - J J^T) \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1}$$

At each step (after the first one) the new terms of both the error signals are generated by the old ones via projection operations:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} &= k^* k \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v(i-1)} \\ \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v1} &= (I - J J^T) \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{v(i+1)} = [(I - J J^T) k^* k] \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$$

This allows to state that:

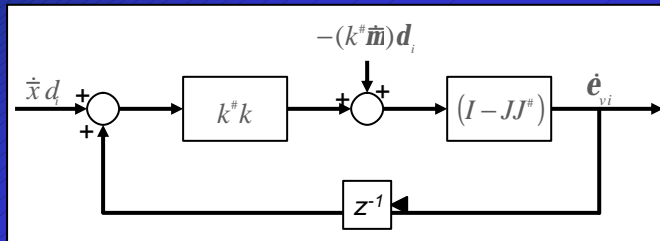
$$\dot{V}_i \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} -\mathbf{g}^T e \quad \text{iff} \quad \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$$



Convergence Issue

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} &= k^{\#}k \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}} - k^{\#}\dot{\bar{\mathbf{m}}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi} &= (I - JJ^{\#})\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{a1} \quad i \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Return Error scheme



$$\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \text{Im}(k^{\#}k) \cap \text{Im}(I - JJ^{\#}) \triangleq \Pi = 0$$

Otherwise

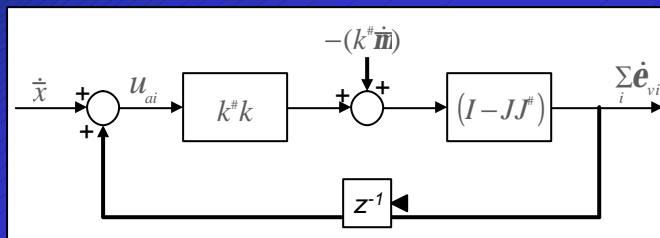
$$\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{h} \quad \mathbf{h} = \text{Prj}_{\Pi}(\dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}} - k^{\#}\dot{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}) \neq 0$$



Convergence Issue

Since the sequence of “return input” signals in the overall control system corresponds to $\mathbf{u}_{ai} = \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}} + \sum_i \dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$, it then follows it is equivalently generated by the following recursive

Return Input scheme



$$\dot{\mathbf{u}}_{ai} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_a \neq \infty \quad \text{if} \quad \text{Im}(k^{\#}k) \cap \text{Im}(I - JJ^{\#}) \triangleq \Pi = 0$$

Otherwise

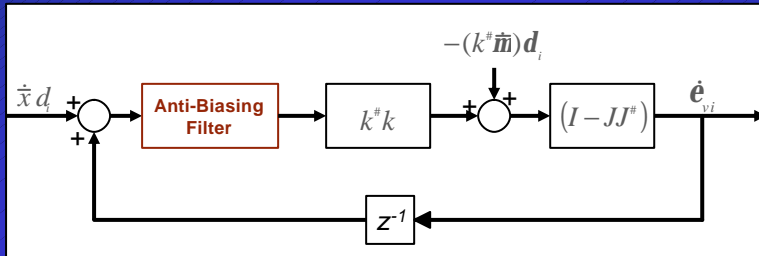
$$\dot{\mathbf{u}}_{ai} \sim i\mathbf{h} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} \infty \quad \mathbf{h} = \text{Prj}_{\Pi}(\dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}} - k^{\#}\dot{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}) \quad \text{Divergence!}$$



Anti-Biasing Filter

To avoid divergence of the u_{ai} signals (or, equivalently, the non convergence to zero of the $\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$ terms) a functional block cutting away the components of the input vectors ($\hat{\mathbf{x}}_d$, $-k^* \hat{\mathbf{m}}$) lying on Π can be inserted

Return Error scheme with Anti-Biasing Filter



Anti-Biasing Filter

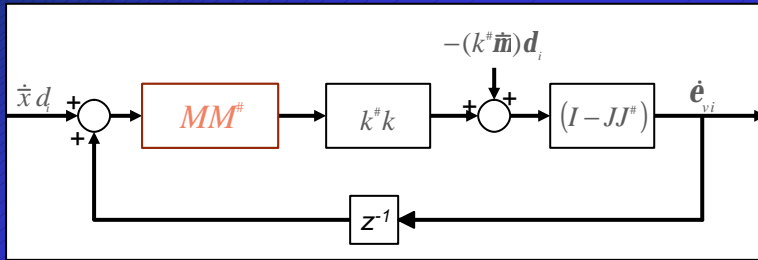
Rationale

- Each input vector can, in general, be decomposed in two parts: one, \mathbf{v} , lying on Π , and one, \mathbf{k} , belonging to a subspace Γ orthogonal to \mathbf{v} .
- During the iterations the component \mathbf{k} , if not null, reduces in norm and moves within Γ ; while the component \mathbf{v} remains unperturbed. Thus implying that every $\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$ contains \mathbf{v} .
- Therefore the difference between two $\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$ ($\hat{=} d\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$) never contains \mathbf{v} , and lies on Γ .
- By collecting a finite sequence of $d\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$ it is possible to obtain a base matrix M for Γ .
- To cut away the component \mathbf{v} it is then sufficient to project one $\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$ of the return errors on the subspace spanned by M .
- Once \mathbf{v} is filtered away from one return error, the subsequent ones $\dot{\mathbf{e}}_{vi}$ will definitely move on Γ , finally converging to zero.



Anti-Biasing Filter

Return Error scheme with Anti-Biasing Filter



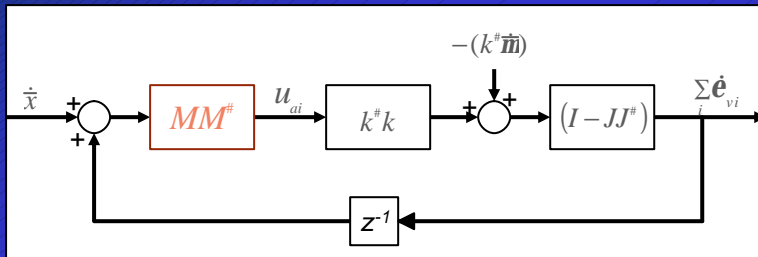
Remarks

- To collect the base matrix M only 6 iterations are required at most.



Anti-Biasing Filter

Return Input scheme with Anti-Biasing Filter



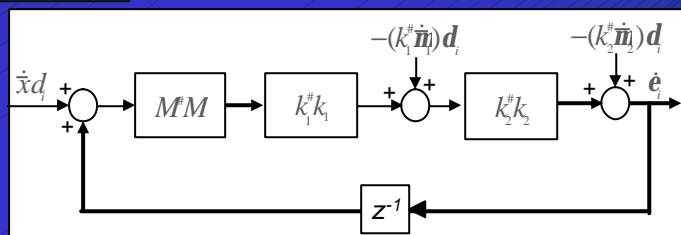
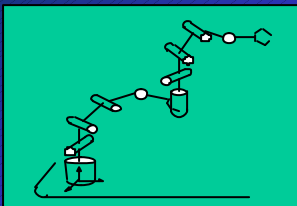
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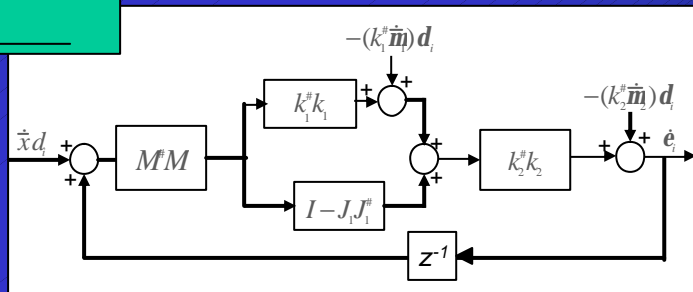
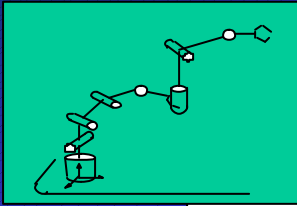
Examples

1. Cascade of two non defective arms



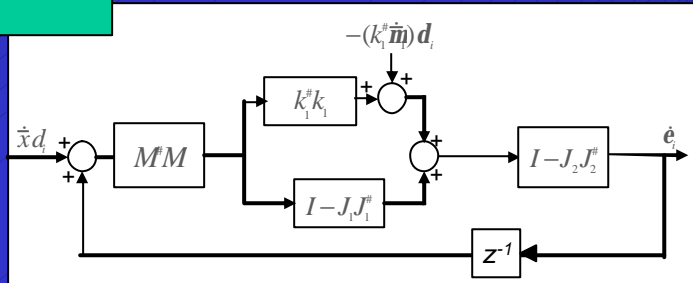
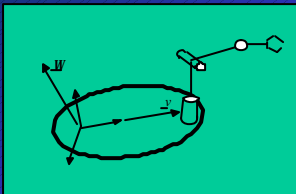
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2. Cascade of a non defective arm and a defective one



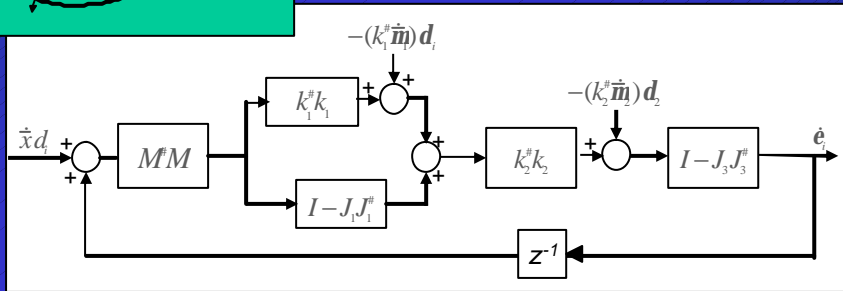
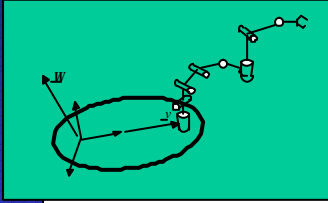
Examples

3. Cascade of a defective arm and a non-holonomic vehicle



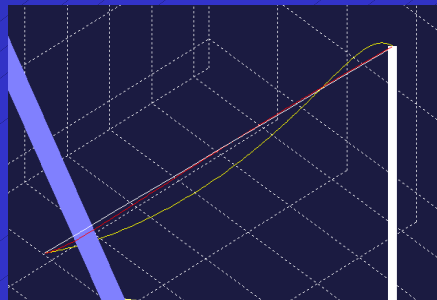
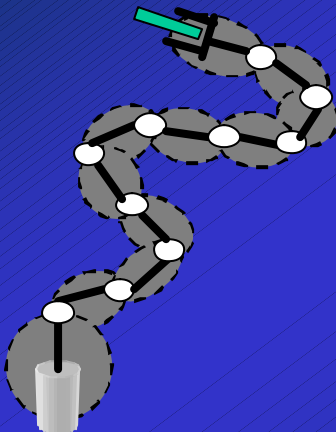
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4. Cascade of two arm and a non-holonomic vehicle



Examples

5. Intrinsically modular robot



- 10 Iterations
- 1 Iteration

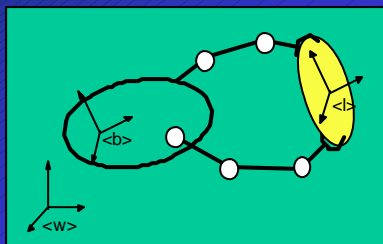


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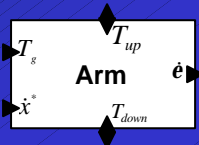
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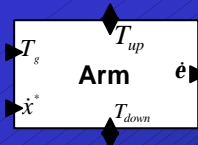
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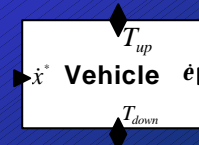
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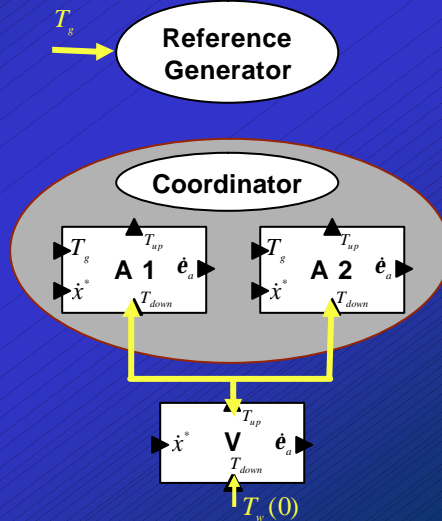
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Object Manipulation

Reference velocity composition

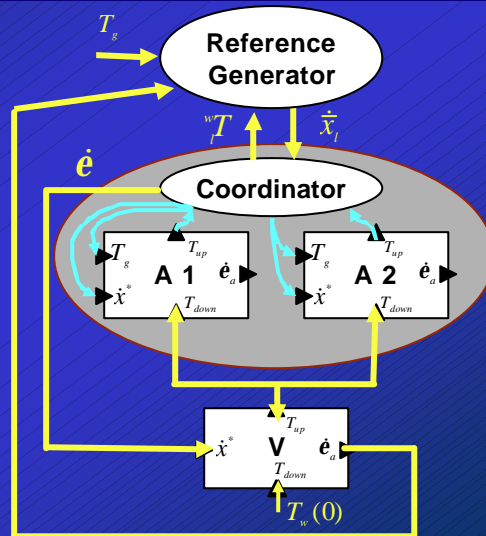
- The vehicle <e> coincides with both arm 1 and arm 2 <0> frames
- The task is expressed in terms of desired position and orientation for the object
- In this case the introduction of a coordinator is necessary to avoid object damaging
- The net effect of the coordinator is that of clustering the two arms, thus allowing to consider them as a single basic robotic unit supporting the object.



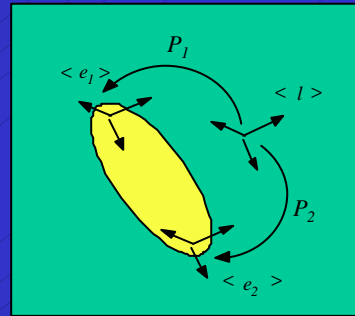
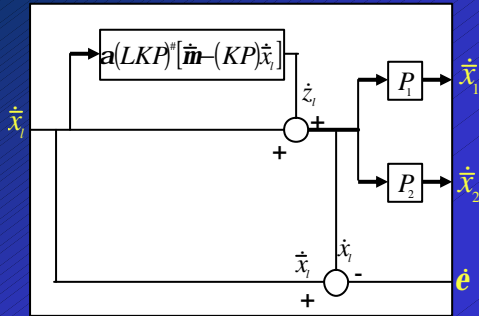
Object Manipulation

Reference velocity composition

- The coordinator receives, from the reference generator, a reference velocity vector for the object frame and translates it into end-effector reference velocities (and possibly positions) for both the arms.
- It monitors the *MM* of both the arms and, when necessary, computes an additional reference velocity vector for the object guaranteeing to preserve *MM* to both the arms, while maintaining the coordinated motion.
- This additional term is then assigned (via rigid body transformation) to the arms, and the vehicle is asked to compensate for its effect on the object motion.



The Coordinator



$$K \hat{=} \text{diag}(k_1, k_2)$$

$$\mathbf{a} \hat{=} \text{diag}(\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2)$$

$$P \hat{=} (P_1^T, P_2^T)^T$$

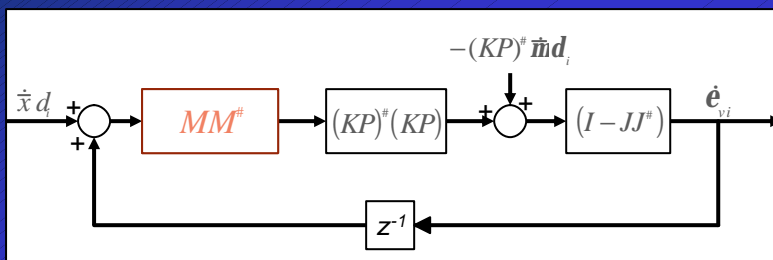
$$\ddot{\mathbf{m}} \hat{=} (\ddot{\mathbf{m}}_1, \ddot{\mathbf{m}}_2)^T$$

$$L \hat{=} \text{diag}(\mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2) \quad \mathbf{d}_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m_i > m_0 \\ 1 & \text{if } m_i < m_0 \end{cases}$$



The Coordinator

Return Error scheme with Anti-Biasing Filter



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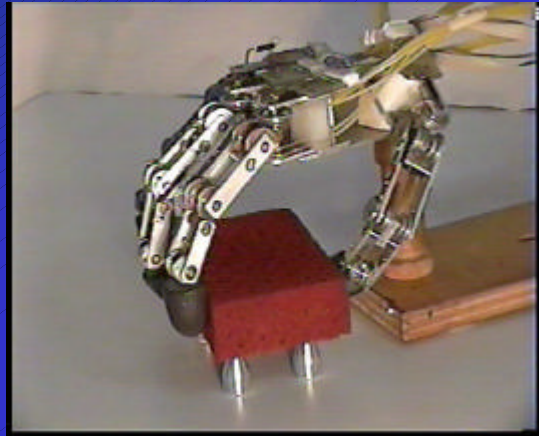
Examples

1. Two non defective arm manipulating an object



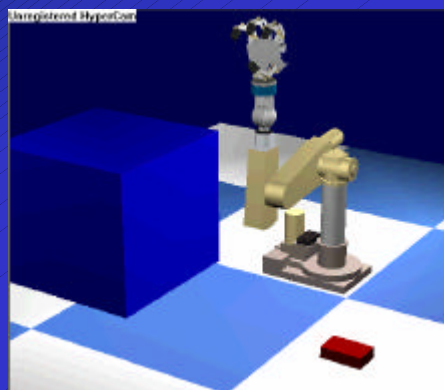
Examples

2. An antropomorphous arm manipulating an object

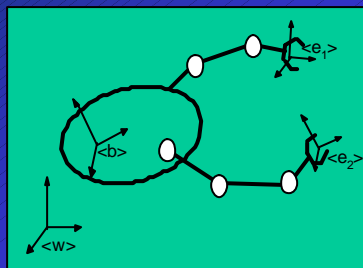


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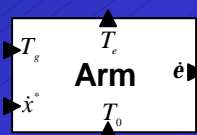
3. A coordinated hand-arm manipulation



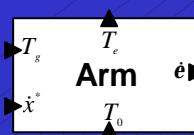
A preliminary example



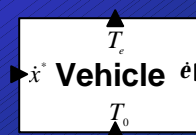
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