

Figure 4.4: PoE forward kinematics for the 6R open chain.

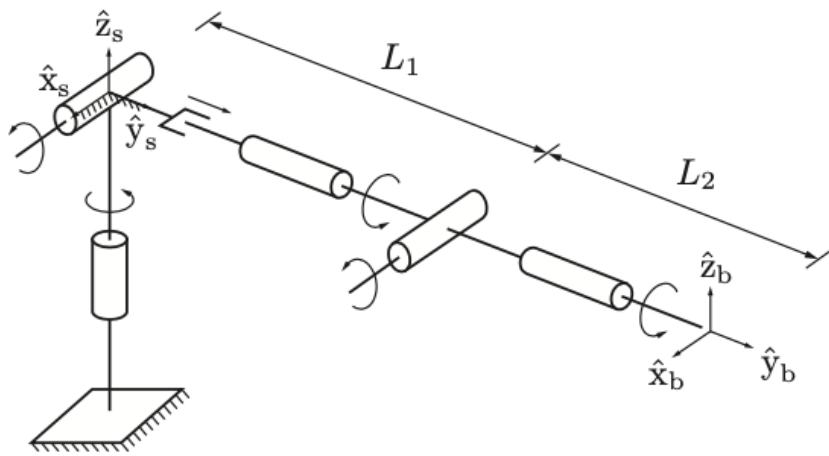
**Example 4.3.** (6R spatial open chain). Find the FK ?

The forward kinematics using the space form of the PoE

$$T = e^{[S_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[S_6]\theta_6} M \quad \text{with} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3L \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$i$	$\omega_i$	$v_i$
1	(0,0,1)	(0,0,0)
2	(0,1,0)	(0,0,0)
3	(-1,0,0)	(0,0,0)
4	(-1,0,0)	(0,0,L)
5	(-1,0,0)	(0,0,2L)
6	(0,1,0)	(0,0,0)



**Figure 4.5:** The RRPRRR spatial open chain.

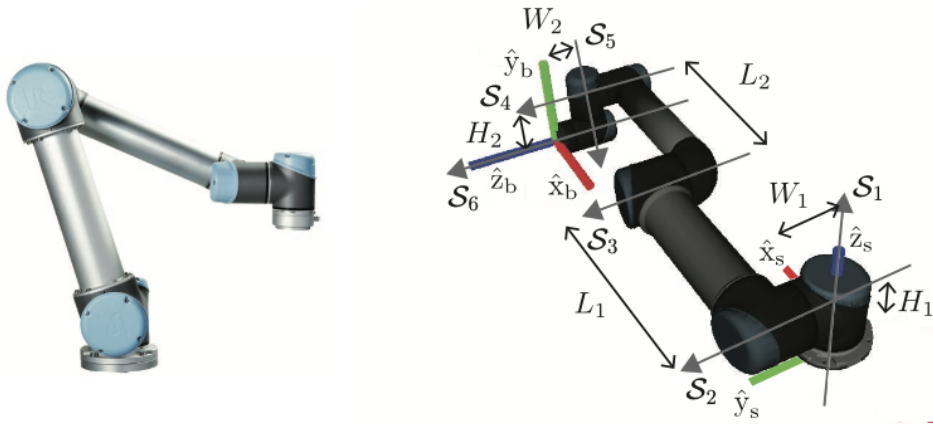
**Example 4.4.** (An RRPRRR spatial open chain). Find the FK ?

The forward kinematics using the space form of the PoE

$$T = e^{[S_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[S_6]\theta_6} M \quad \text{with} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & L_1 + L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and}$$

$i$	$\omega_i$	$v_i$
1	(0,0,1)	(0,0,0)
2	(1,0,0)	(0,0,0)
3	(0,0,0)	(0,1,0)
4	(0,1,0)	(0,0,0)
5	(1,0,0)	(0,0,-L <sub>1</sub> )
6	(0,1,0)	(0,0,0)

Note that the third joint is prismatic, so that  $\omega_3 = 0$  and  $v_3$  is a unit vector in the direction of positive translation.



**Figure 4.6:** (Left) Universal Robots' UR5 6R robot arm. (Right) Shown at its zero position. Positive rotations about the axes indicated are given by the usual right-hand rule.  $W_1$  is the distance along the  $\hat{y}_s$ -direction between the anti-parallel axes of joints 1 and 5.  $W_1 = 109$  mm,  $W_2 = 82$  mm,  $L_1 = 425$  mm,  $L_2 = 392$  mm,  $H_1 = 89$  mm,  $H_2 = 95$  mm.

**Example 4.5.** (Universal Robots' UR5 6R robot arm). Find the FK at  $\theta = (0, -\frac{\pi}{2}, 0, 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$

The forward kinematics using the space form of the PoE

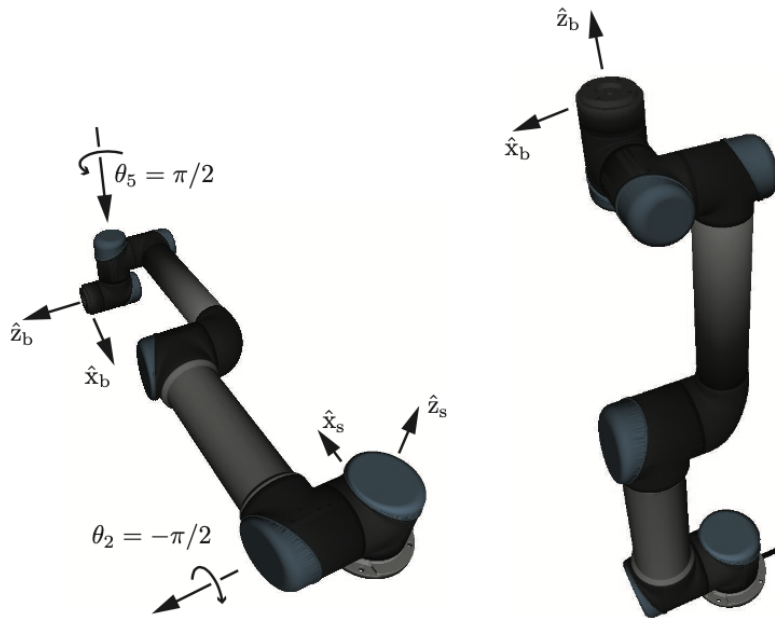
$$T = e^{[S_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[S_6]\theta_6} M \quad \text{with} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & L_1 + L_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & W_1 + W_2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & H_1 - H_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$i$	$\omega_i$	$v_i$
1	(0,0,1)	(0,0,0)
2	(0,1,0)	(-H <sub>1</sub> ,0,0)
3	(0,1,0)	(-H <sub>1</sub> ,0,L <sub>1</sub> )
4	(0,1,0)	(-H <sub>1</sub> ,0,L <sub>1</sub> + L <sub>2</sub> )
5	(0,0,-1)	(-W <sub>1</sub> ,L <sub>1</sub> + L <sub>2</sub> ,0)
6	(0,1,0)	(H <sub>2</sub> - H <sub>1</sub> ,0,L <sub>1</sub> + L <sub>2</sub> )

The configuration of the end-effector at  $\theta = (0, -\frac{\pi}{2}, 0, 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= e^{[S_1]\theta_1} e^{[S_2]\theta_2} e^{[S_3]\theta_3} e^{[S_4]\theta_4} e^{[S_5]\theta_5} e^{[S_6]\theta_6} M \\
 &= e^0 e^{-[S_2]\frac{\pi}{2}} e^0 e^0 e^{[S_5]\frac{\pi}{2}} e^0 M \quad \text{since } e^0 = I \\
 &= e^{-[S_2]\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{[S_5]\frac{\pi}{2}} M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0.095 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.109 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.988 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



**Figure 4.7:** (Left) The UR5 at its home position, with the axes of joints 2 and 5 indicated. (Right) The UR5 at joint angles  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_6) = (0, -\pi/2, 0, 0, \pi/2, 0)$ .

### 1.3 Second Formula: Screw Axes in End-Effector Frame (body form of PoE)

- The matrix identity can be expressed as

$$\text{if } A = M^{-1}PM \quad \text{then} \quad e^A = e^{M^{-1}PM} = M^{-1}e^P M \quad \leftrightarrow \quad Me^{M^{-1}PM} = e^P M$$

- Beginning with the rightmost term of the previously derived space form of PoE, if we repeatedly apply this identity, then after  $n$  iterations we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} T(\theta) &= e^{[S_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[S_{n-1}]\theta_{n-1}} e^{[S_n]\theta_n} M \\ &= e^{[S_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[S_{n-1}]\theta_{n-1}} M e^{M^{-1}[S_n]M\theta_n} \\ &= e^{[S_1]\theta_1} \dots M e^{M^{-1}[S_{n-1}]M\theta_{n-1}} e^{M^{-1}[S_n]M\theta_n} \\ &= M e^{M^{-1}[S_1]M\theta_1} \dots e^{M^{-1}[S_{n-1}]M\theta_{n-1}} e^{M^{-1}[S_n]M\theta_n} \\ &= M e^{[B_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[B_{n-1}]\theta_{n-1}} e^{[B_n]\theta_n} \end{aligned}$$

where  $[B_i] = M^{-1}[S_i]M$  i.e.,

$$B_i = [Ad_{M^{-1}}]S_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- Above equation is an alternative form of the PoE formula, representing the joint axes as screw axes  $B_i$  in the end-effector (body) frame when the robot is at its zero position.
- It is called the body form of the PoE formula.

- In the space form,

$$T(\theta) = e^{[S_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[S_{n-1}]\theta_{n-1}} e^{[S_n]\theta_n} M$$

- $M$  is first transformed by the most distal joint, progressively moving inward to more proximal joints.
- The fixed space-frame representation of the screw axis for a more proximal joint is not affected by the joint displacement at a distal joint
- Joint 3's displacement does not affect joint 2's screw axis representation in the space frame.

- In the body form,

$$T(\theta) = M e^{[B_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[B_{n-1}]\theta_{n-1}} e^{[B_n]\theta_n}$$

- $M$  is first transformed by the first joint, progressively moving outward to more distal joints.
- The body-frame representation of the screw axis for a more distal joint is not affected by the joint displacement at a proximal joint
- Joint 2's displacement does not affect joint 3's screw axis representation in the body frame.

- Relationship bw screw axis of the space form and screw axis of the body form

$$[B_i] = M^{-1}[S_i]M \quad \leftrightarrow \quad B_i = [Ad_{M^{-1}}]S_i$$

$$[S_i] = M[B_i]M^{-1} \quad \leftrightarrow \quad S_i = [Ad_M]B_i$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

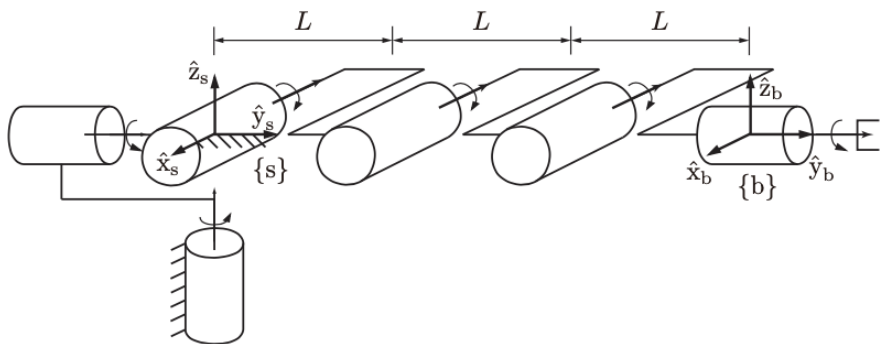


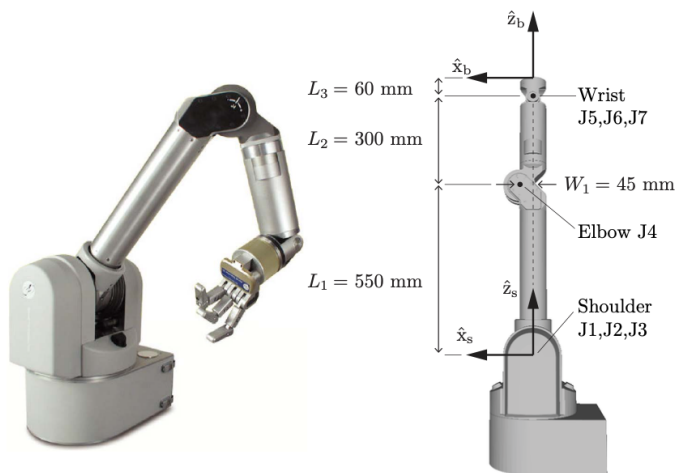
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**Example 4.6.** (6R spatial open chain) Find the FK using the body form of the PoE ?

The forward kinematics using the body form of the PoE

$$T = M e^{[B_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[B_6]\theta_6} \quad \text{with} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3L \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and}$$

i	$\omega_i$	$v_i$
1	(0,0,1)	(-3L,0,0)
2	(0,1,0)	(0,0,0)
3	(-1,0,0)	(0,0,-3L)
4	(-1,0,0)	(0,0,-2L)
5	(-1,0,0)	(0,0,-L)
6	(0,1,0)	(0,0,0)



**Figure 4.8:** Barrett Technology's WAM 7R robot arm at its zero configuration (right). At the zero configuration, axes 1, 3, 5, and 7 are along  $\hat{z}_s$  and axes 2, 4, and 6 are aligned with  $\hat{y}_s$  out of the page. Positive rotations are given by the right-hand rule. Axes 1, 2, and 3 intersect at the origin of {s} and axes 5, 6, and 7 intersect at a point 60mm from {b}. The zero configuration is singular, as discussed in Section 5.3.

**Example 4.7.** (*Barrett WAM 7R robot arm*). Find the FK using the body form of PoE at  $\theta = (0, \frac{\pi}{4}, 0, -\frac{\pi}{4}, 0, -\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$

The forward kinematics using the body form of the PoE

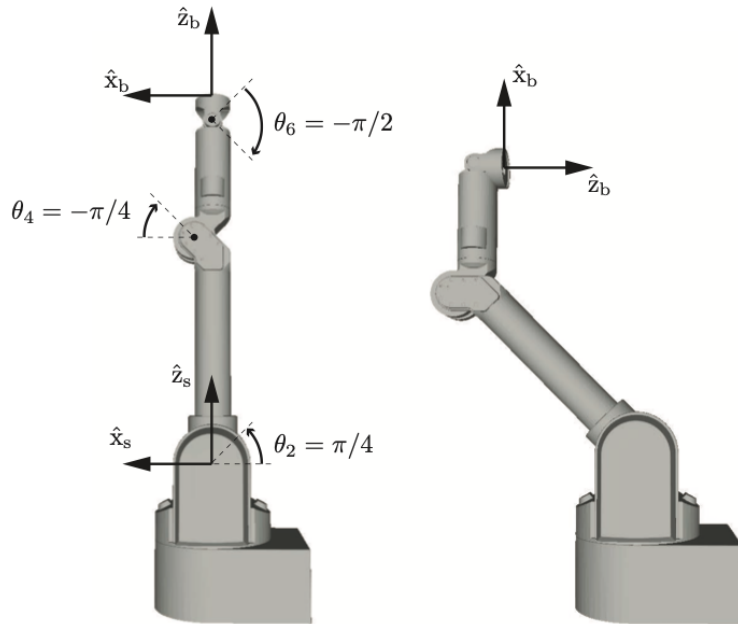
$$T = M e^{[B_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[B_7]\theta_7} \quad \text{with} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & L_1 + L_2 + L_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and}$$

i	$\omega_i$	$v_i$
1	(0,0,1)	(0,0,0)
2	(0,1,0)	$(L_1 + L_2 + L_3, 0, 0)$
3	(0,0,1)	(0,0,0)
4	(0,1,0)	$(L_2 + L_3, 0, W_1)$
5	(0,0,1)	(0,0,0)
6	(0,1,0)	$(L_3, 0, 0)$
7	(0,0,1)	(0,0,0)



The configuration at  $\theta = (0, \frac{\pi}{4}, 0, -\frac{\pi}{4}, 0, -\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= M e^{[B_1]\theta_1} \dots e^{[B_7]\theta_7} \\
 &= M e^0 e^{[B_2]\theta_2} e^0 e^{[B_4]\theta_4} e^0 e^{[B_6]\theta_6} e^0 \\
 &= M e^{[B_2]\frac{\pi}{4}} e^{-[B_4]\frac{\pi}{4}} e^{-[B_6]\frac{\pi}{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0.3157 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.6571 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$



**Figure 4.9:** (Left) The WAM at its home configuration, with the axes of joints 2, 4, and 6 indicated. (Right) The WAM at  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_7) = (0, \pi/4, 0, -\pi/4, 0, -\pi/2, 0)$ .

## **2 Homework : Chapter 4**

- Please solve and submit Exercise 4.2, 4.5, 4.7, 4.8, 4.10, 4.12, 4.15, 4.18, 4.20, till April 16 (upload it as a pdf form or email me)
- If you let me know what the numbers you cannot solve until April 14, I will include the solving process in the next lecture.