# 제6장

# **Inverse Kinematics (IK)**

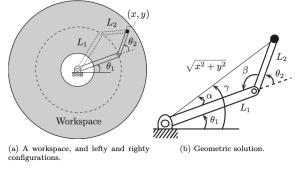


Figure 6.1: Inverse kinematics of a 2R planar open chain.

• For a general *n* DoF open chain with FK  $T(\theta) \in SE(3)$ ,  $\theta \in \Re^n$ , the IK problem can be stated as:

given a homogeneous transform  $X \in SE(3)$ , find solutions  $\theta$  that satisfy  $T(\theta) = X$ .

For example, the number of IK solutions will be zero, one, and two. When there are two solutions, they are called lefty and righty solutions, or elbow-up and elbow-down solutions.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_1c_1 + L_2c_{12} \\ L_1s_1 + L_2s_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

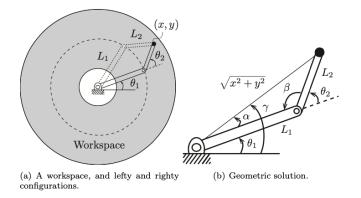


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• Using the law of cosines, we have

$$L_1^2 + L_2^2 - 2L_1L_2\cos\beta = x^2 + y^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \beta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{L_1^2 + L_2^2 - x^2 - y^2}{2L_1L_2}\right)$$
$$L_1^2 + x^2 + y^2 - 2L_1\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\cos\alpha = L_2^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{L_1^2 + x^2 + y^2 - L_2^2}{2L_1\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}\right)$$

• Using  $\gamma = atan2(y, x) = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$  in the range  $(-\pi, \pi]$ , the righty solution becomes

$$\theta_1 = \gamma - \alpha \qquad \qquad \theta_2 = \pi - \beta$$

• The lefty solution is

$$\theta_1 = \gamma + \alpha \qquad \qquad \theta_2 = -\pi + \beta$$

• If  $x^2 + y^2$  lies outside the range  $[L_1 - L_2, L_1 + L_2]$ , then no solution exists.

# **1** Analytic Inverse Kinematics

• Let us consider the FK of a spatial six-dof open chain in the following PoE form:

 $T(\theta) = e^{[\mathcal{S}_1]\theta_1} e^{[\mathcal{S}_2]\theta_2} e^{[\mathcal{S}_3]\theta_3} e^{[\mathcal{S}_4]\theta_4} e^{[\mathcal{S}_5]\theta_5} e^{[\mathcal{S}_6]\theta_6} M$ 

• Given some end-effector frame  $X \in SE(3)$ , the IK problem is to find solutions

$$\theta \in \Re^6$$
 satisfying  $T(\theta) = X$ 

• As a typical example, we derive analytic inverse kinematic solutions for the PUMA and Stanford arms.

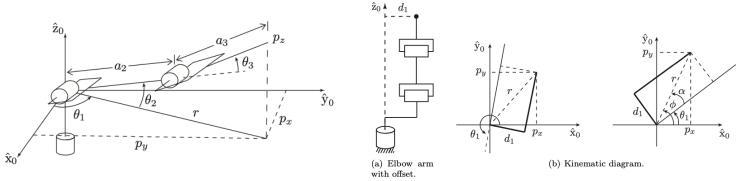


Figure 6.2: Inverse position kinematics of a 6R PUMA-type arm.

Figure 6.3: A 6R PUMA-type arm with a shoulder offset.

## 1.1 6R PUMA-Type Arm

When the arm is placed in its zero position:

- 1. the two shoulder joint axes intersect orthogonally at a common point, with joint axis 1 aligned in the  $z_0$ -direction and joint axis 2 aligned in the  $y_0$ -direction
- 2. joint axis 3 (the elbow joint) lies in the  $x_0$ - $y_0$ -plane and is aligned parallel with joint axis 2
- 3. joint axes 4, 5, and 6 (the wrist joints) intersect orthogonally at a common point (the wrist center) to form an orthogonal wrist and, for the purposes of this example, we assume that these joint axes are aligned in the  $z_0$ -,  $y_0$ -, and  $x_0$ -directions, respectively.
- 4. The lengths of links 2 and 3 are  $a_2$  and  $a_3$ , respectively.
- 5. The arm may also have an offset at the shoulder (right figure)
- 6. The inverse kinematics problem for PUMA-type arms can be decoupled into inverse-position and inverse-orientation subproblems

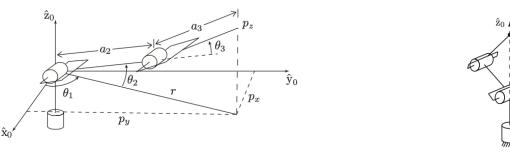


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Figure 6.4: Singular configuration of the zero-offset 6R PUMA-type arm.

#### **Zero-offset** $d_1 = 0$

Consider the simple case of a zero-offset PUMA-type arm. Express all vectors in terms of fixed-frame coordinates, and denote the components of the wrist center  $p \in \Re^3$  by  $p = (p_x, p_y, p_z)$ .

• Projecting p onto the  $x_0 - y_0$ -plane, it can be seen that

$$\theta_1 = atan2(p_u, p_x)$$

In addition, we can get both  $\theta_2$  and  $\theta_3$  from  $(r, p_z)$  using the previous two-link manipulator kinematics.

• Second solution for  $\theta_1$ 

$$\theta_1 = atan2(p_y, p_x) + \pi$$

when the original solution for  $\theta_2$  is replaced by  $\pi - \theta_2$ .

- As long as  $p_x, p_y \neq 0$ , both these solutions are valid.
- When  $p_x = p_y = 0$ , the arm is in a singular configuration, and there are infinitely many possible solutions for  $\theta_1$ . (right figure)

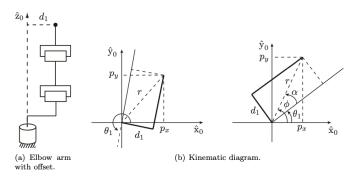


Figure 6.3: A 6R PUMA-type arm with a shoulder offset.

#### If there is an offset $d_1 \neq 0$

• There will be two solutions for  $\theta_1$ , the lefty and righty solutions

$$\theta_1 = \phi - \alpha \qquad \qquad \theta_1 = \pi + \phi + \alpha$$

where  $\phi = atan2(p_y, p_x)$  and  $\alpha = atan2\left(d_1, \sqrt{r^2 - d_1^2}\right)$  with  $r^2 = p_x^2 + p_y^2$ 

• Determining angles  $\theta_2$  and  $\theta_3$  for the PUMA-type arm now reduces to the IK for a planar two-link chain:

$$\cos \theta_3 = \frac{r^2 - d_1^2 + p_z^2 - a_2^2 - a_3^2}{2a_2a_3} = D \qquad \to \qquad \theta_3 = atan2\left(\pm\sqrt{1 - D^2}, D\right)$$

Two solutions for  $\theta_3$  correspond to elbow-up and elbow-down configurations for two-link arm.

•  $\theta_2$  can be obtained in a similar fashion as

$$\theta_2 = atan2\left(p_z, \sqrt{r^2 - d_1^2}\right) - atan2\left(a_3s_3, a_2 + a_3c_3\right)$$

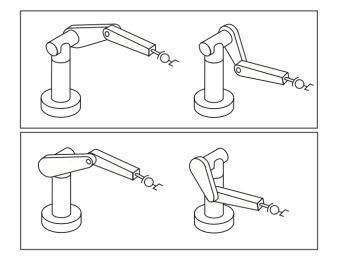


Figure 6.5: Four possible inverse kinematics solutions for the 6R PUMA-type arm with shoulder offset.

- PUMA-type arm with an offset will have four solutions to the inverse position problem.
- The postures in the upper panel are lefty solutions (elbow-up and elbow-down), while those in the lower panel are righty solutions (elbow-up and elbow-down).
- Let us solve the inverse orientation problem of finding  $(\theta_4, \theta_5, \theta_6)$  given the end-effector orientation. This problem is completely straightforward:

unknown 
$$e^{[S_4]\theta_4}e^{[S_5]\theta_5}e^{[S_6]\theta_6} = e^{-[S_1]\theta_1}e^{-[S_2]\theta_2}e^{-[S_3]\theta_3}XM^{-1}$$
 known

• Since  $S_4 = (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $S_5 = (0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ , and  $S_6 = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ , the wrist joint angles  $(\theta_4, \theta_5, \theta_6)$  can be determined as the solution to

$$Rot(\hat{z},\theta_4)Rot(\hat{y},\theta_5)Rot(\hat{x},\theta_6) = R \qquad \text{from} \quad e^{-[\mathcal{S}_1]\theta_1}e^{-[\mathcal{S}_2]\theta_2}e^{-[\mathcal{S}_3]\theta_3}XM^{-1}$$

which correspond exactly to the ZYX Euler angles, derived in Appendix B.

### **1.2 Stanford-Type Arms**

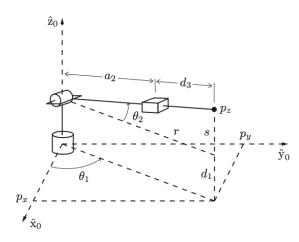


Figure 6.6: The first three joints of a Stanford-type arm.

- If the elbow joint in a 6R PUMA-type arm is replaced by a prismatic joint, we then have an RRPRRR Stanford-type arm.
- The first joint variable  $\theta_1$  can be found in similar fashion to the PUMA-type arm:  $\theta_1 = atan2(p_y, p_x)$  (provided that  $p_x$  and  $p_y$  are not both zero).
- The variable  $\theta_2$  is then found to be  $\theta_2 = atan2(s,r)$  with  $s = p_z d_1$  and  $r^2 = p_x^2 + p_y^2$ .
- Similarly to the case of the PUMA-type arm, a second solution for  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  is given by  $\theta_1 = \pi + atan2(p_y, p_x)$  and  $\theta_2 = \pi atan2(s, r)$
- The translation distance  $\theta_3$  is found from the relation

$$(\theta_3 + a_2)^2 = r^2 + s^2 \longrightarrow \theta_3 = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2 - (p_z - d_1)^2} - a_2$$