Lecture Navigation Mathematics: Angular and Linear Velocity

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1 Review

Review



• translation between frames {a} and {c}:

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$$\vec{r}_{ac} = \vec{r}_{ab} + \vec{r}_{bc}$$

• written *wrt*/frame {*a*}

$$\vec{r}^{a}_{ac} = \vec{r}^{a}_{ab} + \vec{r}^{a}_{bc}$$
$$= \vec{r}^{a}_{ab} + C^{a}_{b}\vec{r}^{b}_{bc}$$

2 Introduction to Velocity

Introduction to Velocity

• Given relationship for translation between moving (rotating and translating) frames

$$\vec{r}^a_{ac} = \vec{r}^a_{ab} + C^a_b \vec{r}^b_{bc}$$

what is linear velocity between frames?

$$\begin{split} \dot{\vec{r}}^a_{ac} &\equiv \quad \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}^a_{\ ac} \\ &= \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\vec{r}^a_{\ ab} + C^a_b \vec{r}^b_{\ bc} \right) \\ &= \quad \dot{\vec{r}}^a_{ab} + \dot{C}^a_b \vec{r}^b_{\ bc} + C^a_b \dot{\vec{r}}^b_{\ bc} \end{split}$$

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- Why is $\dot{C}^a_b \neq 0$ in general? Recoordinatization of $\vec{r}^{\,b}_{\,bc}$ is time-dependent.
- \dot{C}^a_b is directly related to angular velocity between frames $\{a\}$ and $\{b\}$.

3 Derivative of Rotation Matrix and Angular Velocity - Approach I

First approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity

Given a rotation matrix C, one of its properties is

$$[C_b^a]^T C_b^a = C_b^a [C_b^a]^T = \mathcal{I}$$

Taking the time-derivative of the "right-inverse" property

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt} \left(C^a_b [C^a_b]^T \right) &= \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{I} \\ \Rightarrow \underbrace{\dot{C}^a_b [C^a_b]^T}_{\Omega^a_{ab}} + \underbrace{\underbrace{C^a_b [\dot{C}^a_b]^T}_{(\dot{C}^a_b [C^a_b]^T)^T}}_{[\Omega^a_{ab}]^T} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \Omega^a_{ab} + [\Omega^a_{ab}]^T &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \Omega^a_{ab} \text{ is skew-symmetric!} \end{split}$$

First approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity

Define this skew-symmetric matrix Ω^a_{ab}

$$\Omega^a_{ab} = [\vec{\omega}^{\ a}_{\ ab} \times] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_z & \omega_y \\ \omega_z & 0 & -\omega_x \\ -\omega_y & \omega_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note $\Omega^a_{ab} = \dot{C}^a_b [C^a_b]^T$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{C}^a_b = \Omega^a_{ab} C^a_b$$

is a means of finding derivative of rotation matrix provided we can further understand $\Omega^a_{ab}.$

First approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity Now for some insight into physical meaning of Ω^a_{ab} .

• Consider a point p on a rigid body rotating with angular velocity $\vec{\omega} = [\omega_x, \omega_y, \omega_z]^T = \dot{\theta}\vec{k} = \dot{\theta}[k_x, k_y, k_z]^T$ with \vec{k} a unit vector.



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First approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity



From mechanics, linear velocity \vec{v}_p of point is

$$\vec{v}_p = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_p = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} r_x \\ r_y \\ r_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_y r_z - \omega_z r_y \\ \omega_z r_x - \omega_x r_z \\ \omega_x r_y - \omega_y r_x \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_z & \omega_y \\ \omega_z & 0 & -\omega_x \\ -\omega_y & \omega_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{?} \begin{bmatrix} r_x \\ r_y \\ r_z \end{bmatrix}$$

First approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity



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 $\Rightarrow \Omega$ represents angular velocity and performs cross product

First approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity

Now let's add fixed frame $\{a\}$ and rotating frame $\{b\}$ attached to moving body such that there is angular velocity $\vec{\omega}_{ab}$ between them.



Start with position

$$\vec{r}^{a}_{ap} = \underbrace{\vec{r}^{a}_{ab}}_{0} + C^{a}_{b}\vec{r}^{b}_{bp}$$

and take derivative wrt time

$$\begin{split} \dot{\vec{r}}^a_{ap} &= \underbrace{\dot{C}^a_b}_{\Omega^a_{ab}C^a_b} \vec{r}^b_{bp} + \underbrace{C^a_b \dot{\vec{r}}^b_{bp}}_{0} \\ &= \Omega^a_{ab} C^a_b \vec{r}^b_{bp} \\ &= \Omega^a_{ab} \vec{r}^a_{bp} = [\vec{\omega}^a_{ab} \times] \vec{r}^a_{bp} \end{split}$$

from which it is observed (compare to $\vec{v}_p = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_p$) that Ω^a_{ab} represents cross product with angular velocity $\vec{\omega}^{a}_{ab}$.

4 Derivative of Rotation Matrix and Angular Velocity - Approach II

Second approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity

- Another approach to developing derivative of rotation matrix and angular velocity is based upon angle-axis representation of orientation and rotation matrix as exponential.
- This approach is included in notes.

Second approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity

- Since the relative and fixed axis rotations must be performed in a particular order, their derivatives are somewhat challenging
- The angle-axis format, however, is readily differentiable as we can encode the 3 parameters by

$$\vec{K} \equiv \vec{k}(t)\theta(t) = \begin{bmatrix} K_1(t) \\ K_2(t) \\ K_3(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\theta = \|\vec{K}\|$

• Hence,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{K}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} K_1(t) \\ \dot{K}_2(t) \\ \dot{K}_3(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Second approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity

• For a sufficiently "small" time interval we can often consider the axis of rotation to be \approx constant (i.e., $\vec{k}(t) = \vec{k}$)

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{K}(t) \approx \frac{d}{dt}\left(\vec{k}\theta(t)\right) \\ = \vec{k}\dot{\theta}(t)$$

• This is referred to as the angular velocity $(\vec{\omega}(t))$ or the so called "body reference" angular velocity

Angular Velocity

$$ec{\omega}(t) \equiv k \overline{ heta}(t)$$

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Second approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity

• This definition of the angular velocity can also be related back to the rotation matrix. Recalling that a

$$C_b^a(t) = R_{\vec{k}_{ab}^a,\theta(t)} = e^{\kappa_{ab}^a\theta(t)}$$

• Hence,

$$\frac{d}{dt}C_b^a(t) = \frac{d}{dt}e^{\kappa_{ab}^a\theta(t)}$$
$$= \frac{\partial e^{\kappa_{ab}^a\theta(t)}}{\partial \theta}\frac{d\theta}{dt}$$
$$= \kappa_{ab}^a e^{\kappa_{ab}^a\theta(t)}\dot{\theta}(t)$$
$$= \left(\kappa_{ab}^a\dot{\theta}(t)\right)C_b^a(t)$$
$$\dot{C}_b^a(t)\left[C_b^a(t)\right]^T = \kappa_{ab}^a\dot{\theta}(t)$$

Second approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity Notice that

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$$\begin{split} \kappa^a_{ab} \dot{\theta}(t) &= Skew \left[k^a_{ab}\right] \dot{\theta}(t) \\ &= Skew \left[k^a_{ab} \dot{\theta}(t)\right] \\ &= Skew \left[\vec{\omega}^a_{ab}\right] = \Omega^a_{ab} \end{split}$$

Therefore,

 $\dot{C}^{a}_{b}(t)\left[C^{a}_{b}(t)\right]^{T}=\Omega^{a}_{ab}$

or

$$\dot{C}^a_b = \Omega^a_{ab} C^a_b$$

Second approach to $\frac{d}{dt}C$ and angular velocity Note

$$\kappa \vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -k_3 & k_2 \\ k_3 & 0 & -k_1 \\ -k_2 & k_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_2 a_3 - k_3 a_2 \\ k_3 a_1 - k_1 a_3 \\ k_1 a_2 - k_2 a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{k} \times \vec{a}$$

Hence, we can think of the skew-symmetric matrix as

$$\kappa = [\vec{k} \times]$$

or, in the case of angular velocity

$$\Omega = [\vec{\omega} \times]$$

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5 Properties of Skew-symmetric Matrices

Properties of Skew-symmetric Matrices

$$C\Omega C^T \vec{b} = C \left[\vec{\omega} \times \left(C^T \vec{b} \right) \right]$$
$$= C \vec{\omega} \times \left(C C^T \vec{b} \right)$$
$$= C \vec{\omega} \times \vec{b}$$
$$= [C \vec{\omega} \times] \vec{b}$$

Therefore (from above),

 $C\Omega C^T = C[\vec{\omega} \times] C^T = [C\vec{\omega} \times]$

and (via distributive property)

$$C[\vec{\omega} \times] = [C\vec{\omega} \times]C$$

noting both $\vec{\omega}$ and vector with which cross-product will be taken are assumed to be in the same coordinate frame and thus both need to be recoordinatized.

Properties of Skew-symmetric Matrices

$$\dot{C}^a_b = \Omega^a_{ab} C^a_b$$
$$= [\vec{\omega}^a_{ab} \times] C^a_b$$
$$= [C^a_b \vec{\omega}^b_{ab} \times] C^a_b$$
$$= C^a_b [\vec{\omega}^b_{ab} \times]$$
$$= C^a_b \Omega^b_{ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_b^a = \Omega^a_{ab} C_b^a = C_b^a \Omega^b_{ab}$$

Summary of Angular Velocity and Notation

Angular velocity can be

- described as a vector
 - the angular velocity of the *b*-frame wrt the *a*-frame resolved in the *c*-frame, $\vec{\omega}_{ab}^{c}$
 - $\vec{\omega}_{ab} = -\vec{\omega}_{ba}$
- described as a skew-symmetric matrix $\Omega_{ab}^{c} = [\vec{\omega}\,_{ab}^{\ c} \times]$
 - the skew-symmetric matrix is equivalent to the vector cross product when premultiplying another vector
- related to the derivative of the rotation matrix

$$\begin{split} \dot{C}^a_b &= \Omega^a_{ab} C^a_b = C^a_b \Omega^b_{ab} \\ \dot{C}^a_b &= -\Omega^a_{ba} C^a_b = -C^a_b \Omega^b_{ba} \end{split}$$

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Propagation/Addition of Angular Velocity

Consider the derivative of the composition of rotations $C_2^0 = C_1^0 C_2^1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}C_2^0 &= \frac{d}{dt}C_1^0C_2^1 \\ \Rightarrow & \dot{C}_2^0 &= \dot{C}_1^0C_2^1 + C_1^0\dot{C}_2^1 \\ \Rightarrow & \Omega_{02}^0C_2^0 &= \Omega_{01}^0C_1^0C_2^1 + C_1^0C_2^1\Omega_{12}^2 \\ \Rightarrow & \Omega_{02}^0 &= \Omega_{01}^0C_2^0\left[C_2^0\right]^T + C_2^0\Omega_{12}^2\left[C_2^0\right]^T \\ \Rightarrow & \left[\vec{\omega}_{02}^0\times\right] &= \left[\vec{\omega}_{01}^0\times\right] + \left[C_2^0\vec{\omega}_{12}^2\times\right] \\ \Rightarrow & \vec{\omega}_{02}^0 &= \vec{\omega}_{01}^0 + \vec{\omega}_{12}^0 \end{aligned}$$

 \Rightarrow angular velocities (as vectors) add so long as resolved common coordinate system

7 Linear Position, Velocity and Acceleration

Linear Position

Consider the motion of a fixed point (origin of frame $\{2\}$) in a rotating frame (frame $\{1\}$) as seen from an inertial (frame $\{0\}$)

- frames $\{0\}$ and $\{1\}$ have the same origin
- frame {1} rotates (about a unit vector \vec{k}) wrt frame {0}
- origin of frame {2} is fixed *wrt* frame {1}

Position:

$$\vec{r}_{02}^{0}(t) = \vec{r}_{01}^{0}(t) + \vec{r}_{12}^{0}(t) = C_{1}^{0}(t)\vec{r}_{12}^{1}$$

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Linear Velocity

Linear velocity:

$$\begin{split} \dot{\vec{r}}_{02}^{0}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} C_{1}^{0}(t) \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \\ &= \dot{C}_{1}^{0}(t) \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \\ &= [\vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times] C_{1}^{0}(t) \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \\ &= \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \vec{r}_{12}^{0}(t) \end{split}$$

Linear Acceleration

Linear acceleration:

$$\ddot{r}_{02}^{0} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \left(C_{1}^{0}(t) \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) \right) \\ = \dot{\vec{\omega}}_{01}^{0} \times \left(C_{1}^{0}(t) \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) + \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \left(\dot{C}_{1}^{0}(t) \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) \\ = \dot{\vec{\omega}}_{01}^{0} \times \vec{r}_{12}^{0}(t) + \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \left(\vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \vec{r}_{12}^{0}(t) \right) \\ \text{sverse accel} \qquad \text{Centripetal accel } (\omega^{2}r)$$

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Linear Position

We can get back to where we started ... motion (translation and rotation) between frames and their derivatives.



Linear Velocity Linear velocity:

$$\dot{\vec{r}}_{02}^{0}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\vec{r}_{01}^{0} + C_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) \\ = \dot{\vec{r}}_{01}^{0} + \dot{C}_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} + C_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} \\ = \dot{\vec{r}}_{01}^{0} + \Omega_{01}^{0} C_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} + C_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} \\ = \dot{\vec{r}}_{01}^{0} + [\vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times] C_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} + C_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} \\ = \dot{\vec{r}}_{01}^{0} + [\vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times] C_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} + C_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} \\ = \dot{\vec{r}}_{01}^{0} + \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times (C_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1}) + C_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1}$$

Linear Acceleration

Linear acceleration:

$$\begin{split} \ddot{\vec{r}}_{02}^{0} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\dot{\vec{r}}_{01}^{0} + \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \left(C_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) + C_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} \right) \\ &= \ddot{\vec{r}}_{01}^{0} + \dot{\vec{\omega}}_{01}^{0} \times \left(C_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) + \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \left(\dot{C}_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) + \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \left(\dot{C}_{1}^{0} \vec{r}_{12}^{1} \right) + \vec{\omega}_{01}^{0} \times \left(C_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} \right) + \dot{C}_{1}^{0} \dot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} + C_{1}^{0} \ddot{\vec{r}}_{12}^{1} \end{split}$$



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