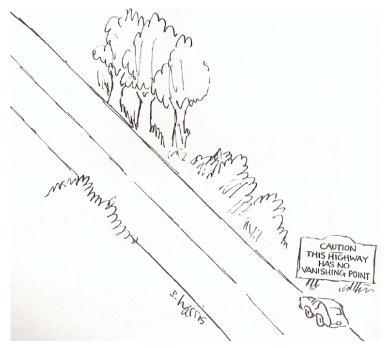
Lecture 4 Mobot Kinematics and Control CSE390/MEAM420-520

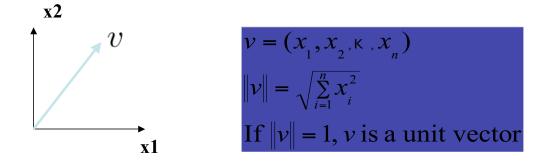
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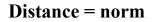
Review: Algebra and Geometry



Vectors

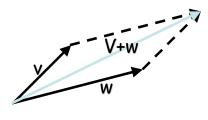
- Ordered set of numbers: (1,2,3,4)
- Example: (*x*,*y*,*z*) coordinates of pt in space.





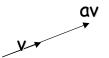
Vector Addition

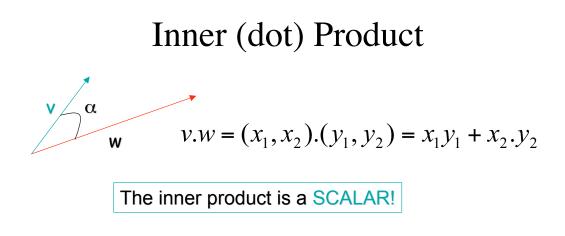
$$\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2) = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2)$$



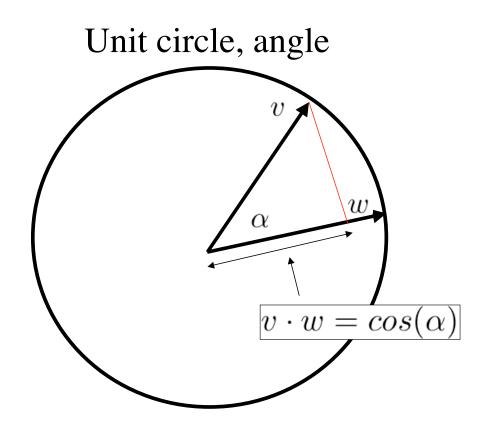
Scalar Product

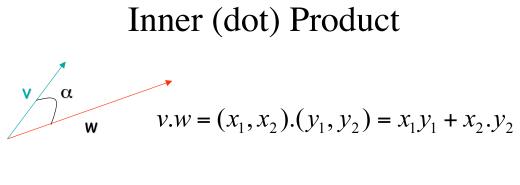
$$a\mathbf{v} = a(x_1, x_2) = (ax_1, ax_2)$$





Angle:





Angle: $v.w = (x_1, x_2).(y_1, y_2) = ||v|| \cdot ||w|| \cos \alpha$

 $v.w = 0 \Leftrightarrow v \perp w$

< = > V, W are independent of each other

Matrices

$$A_{n \times m} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \mathsf{L} & a_{1m} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \mathsf{L} & a_{2m} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & \mathsf{L} & a_{3m} \\ \mathsf{M} & \mathsf{M} & \mathsf{O} & \mathsf{M} \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \mathsf{L} & a_{nm} \end{bmatrix}$$

Sum:

$$C_{n \times m} = A_{n \times m} + B_{n \times m}$$

$$C_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$$

A and B must have the same dimensions

Matrices

Product:

$$C_{n \times p} = A_{n \times m} B_{m \times p}$$

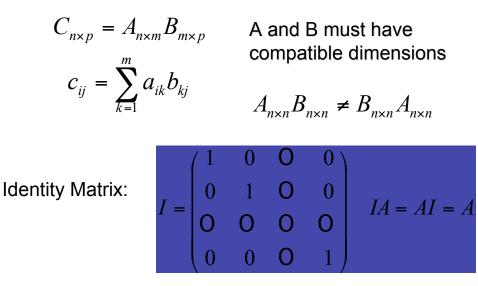
A and B must have compatible dimensions

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{m} a_{ik} b_{kj} \qquad A_{n \times n} B_{n \times n} \neq B_{n \times n} A_{n \times n}$$

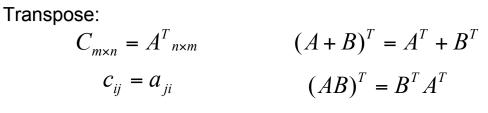
Is matrix multiplication associative?

Matrices

Product:



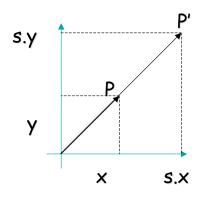
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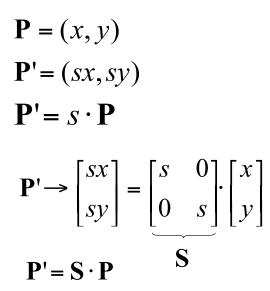


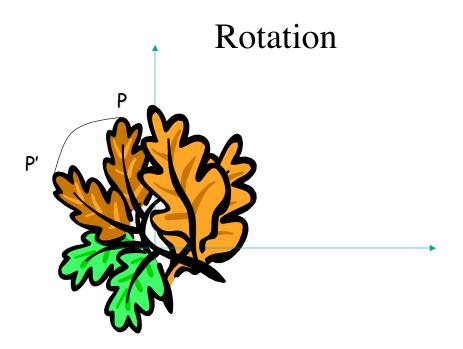
If $A^T = A$ A is symmetric

Dot product: $v \cdot w = vw^T$

Scaling Equation

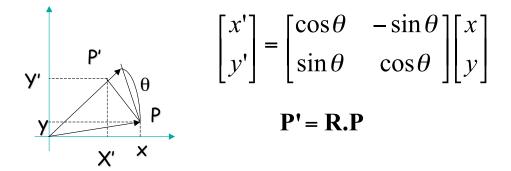






Rotation Equations

Counter-clockwise rotation by an angle $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

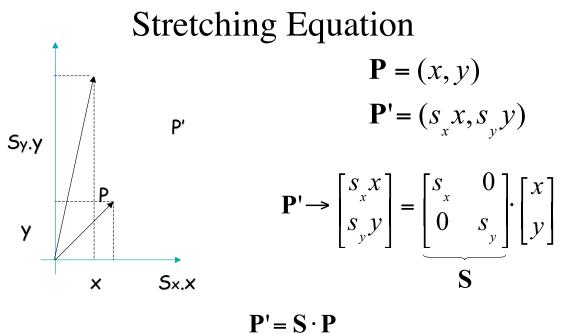


Degrees of Freedom $\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ R is 2x2 \implies 4 elements

BUT! There is only 1 degree of freedom: $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

The 4 elements must satisfy the following constraints:

$$\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{R}^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{R}^{\mathrm{T}} \cdot \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}$$
$$\det(\mathbf{R}) = 1$$

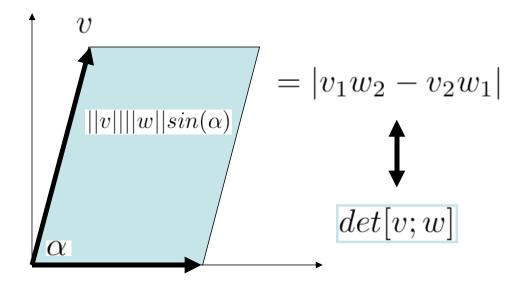


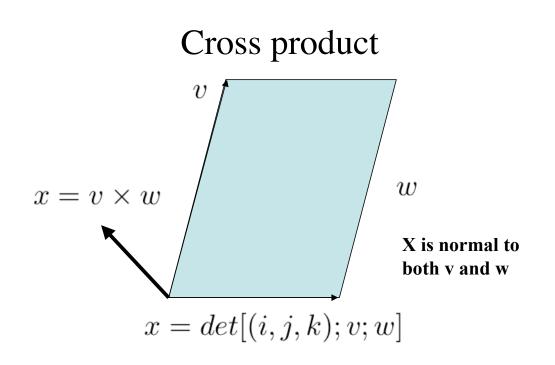
Matrices

Determinant: A must be square

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}$$
$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = a_{11}\begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} - a_{12}\begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} + a_{13}\begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{vmatrix}$$

Volume = determinant





Matrices

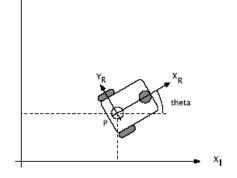
Inverse:

A must be square

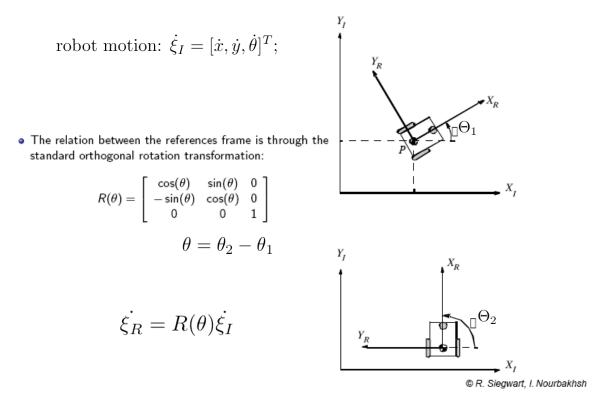
$$A_{n \times n} A^{-1}{}_{n \times n} = A^{-1}{}_{n \times n} A_{n \times n} = I$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{21}a_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Inertial reference frame (I)
- Robot references frame (R)
- Robot pose

$$\xi_I = \left[\begin{array}{c} x \\ y \\ \theta \end{array} \right]$$



Y.



• Forward kinematics

$$\dot{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = f(\dot{\varphi}_1, \dots, \dot{\varphi}_n, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m, \dot{\beta}_1, \dots, \dot{\beta}_m)$$

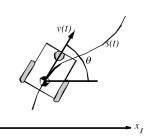
Inverse kinematics

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\varphi_1} & \dots & \dot{\varphi_n} & \beta_1 & \dots & \beta_m & \dot{\beta_1} & \dots & \dot{\beta_m} \end{bmatrix}^T = f(\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{\theta})$$

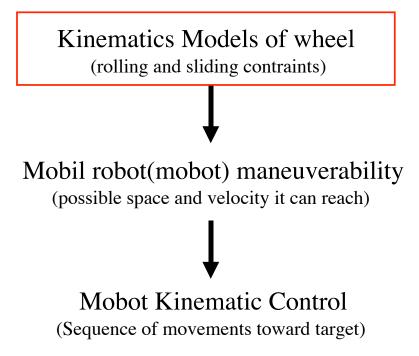
• Why not

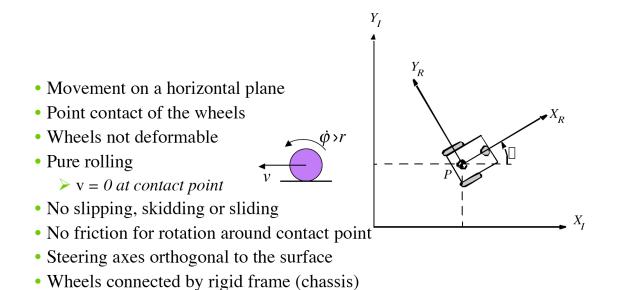
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} = f(\varphi_1, \ldots, \varphi_n, \beta_1, \ldots, \beta_m)$$

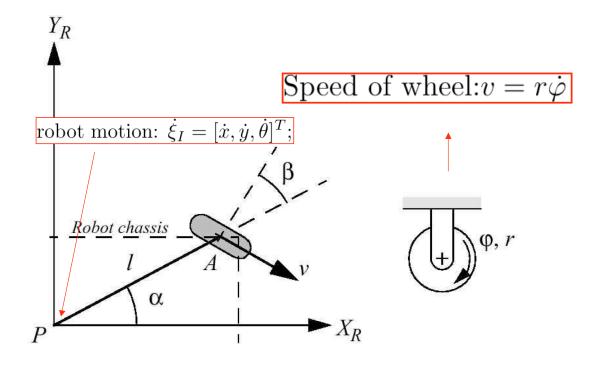
the relation is not straight forward. See later.

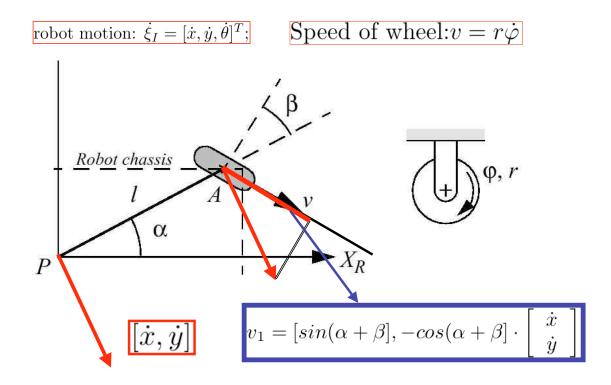


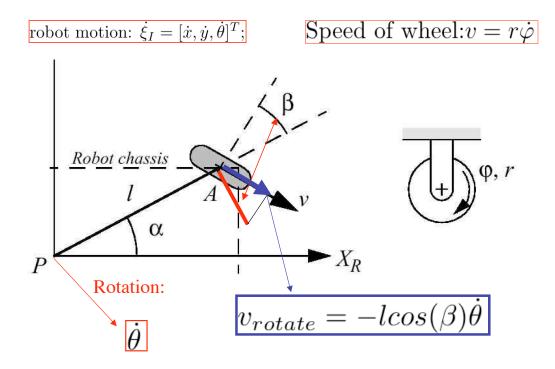
 y_i

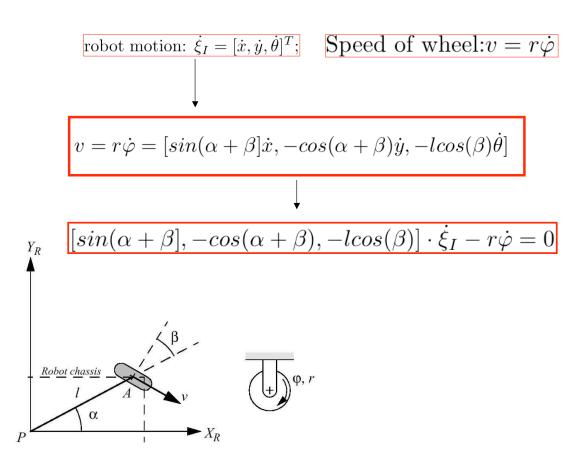


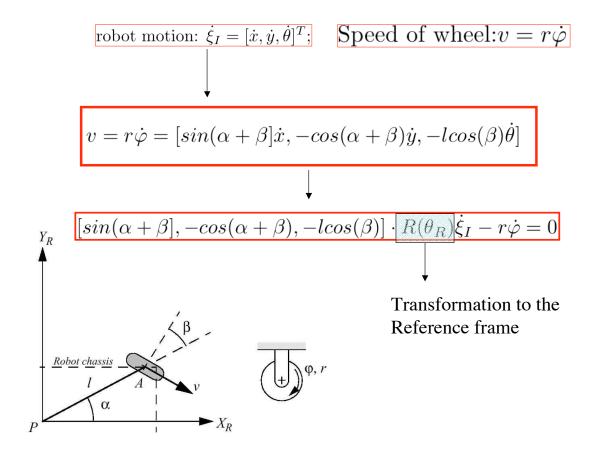










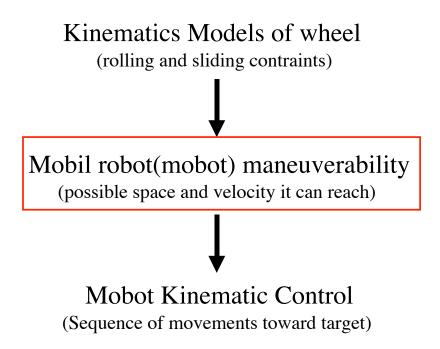


Motion caused by wheel motion, rolling constraints:

$$[sin(\alpha + \beta], -cos(\alpha + \beta), -lcos(\beta)] \cdot R(\theta_R)\dot{\xi}_I - r\dot{\varphi} = 0$$

Motion in the orthogonal plane must be 0, sliding constraints:

$$[\cos(\alpha + \beta) \sin(\alpha + \beta) l \cdot \sin(\beta)]R(\theta_R)\dot{\xi}_I = 0$$



Suppose we have a total of $N=N_f + N_s$ standard wheels

We can develop the equations for the constraints in matrix forms :
Rolling

$$J_1(\boldsymbol{\beta}_s)R(\boldsymbol{\theta})\boldsymbol{\xi}_I + J_2\boldsymbol{\phi} = 0 \qquad \varphi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_f(t) \\ \varphi_s(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_1(\beta_s) = \begin{bmatrix} J_{1f} \\ J_{1s}(\beta_s) \\ N_f + N_s \square^3 \end{bmatrix} = diag(r_1 \cdots r_N)$$

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$$\succ Lateral movement$$

$$C_{1}(\beta_{s})R(\theta)\dot{\xi}_{I} = 0 \qquad C_{1}(\beta_{s}) = \begin{bmatrix} C_{1f} \\ C_{1s}(\beta_{s}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{1s}(\beta_{s}) \\ N_{f}+N_{s}\end{bmatrix}^{3}$$

Examples: differential drive + omidirectional drive

Mobile Robot Maneuverability: Degree of Mobility

• To avoid any lateral slip the motion vector $R(\theta)\xi_I$ has to satisfy the following constraints:

$$\begin{array}{c} C_{1f} R(\theta) \dot{\xi}_{I} = 0 \\ C_{1s}(\beta_{s}) R(\theta) \dot{\xi}_{I} = 0 \end{array} \qquad C_{1}(\beta_{s}) = \left[\begin{array}{c} C_{1f} \\ C_{1s}(\beta_{s}) \end{array} \right]$$

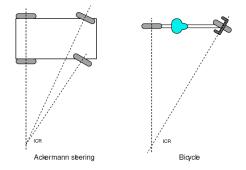
- Mathematically:
 - \succ $R(\theta)\xi_I$ must belong to the null space of the projection matrix $C_1(\beta_s)$
 - > Null space of $C_1(\beta_s)$ is the space N such that for any vector n in N

$$C_1(\beta_s) \times n = 0$$

Mobile Robot Maneuverability: More on Degree of Mobility

• Robot chassis kinematics is a function of the set of *independent* constraints $rank[C_1(\beta_s)]$

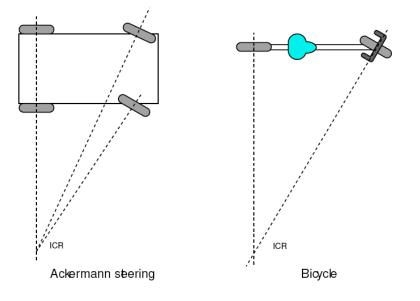
 \succ the greater the rank of , $C_1(\beta_s)$ the more constrained is the mobility



The $rank(C_1)$ defines the number of independent constraints

ICR is the Null space of the C1

Geometrically this can be shown by the Instantaneous Center of Rotation (ICR)



ICR is the Null space of the C1; Null(C1) + Rank(C1) = 3

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Examples: Robot δ_m
Differential drive 2
Bicycle 1

• Steerability is the number of independent DOF that can be controlled

$$\delta_s = rank(C_{1s})$$

• Similarly the degree of maneuverability is defined as

$$\delta_M = \delta_m + \delta_s$$

• Degree of Maneuverability

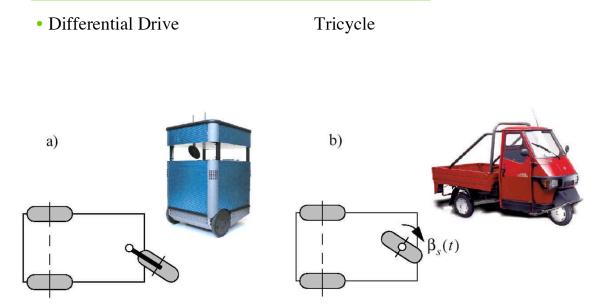
$$\delta_M = \delta_m + \delta_s$$

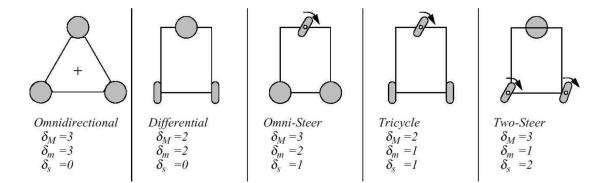
> Two robots with same δ_M are not necessary equal

> Example: Differential drive and Tricycle (next slide)

- > For any robot with $\delta_M = 2$ the ICR is always constrained to lie on a line
- For any robot with $\delta_M = 3$ the ICR is not constrained an can be set to any point on the plane
- The Synchro Drive example: $\delta_M = \delta_m + \delta_s = 1 + 1 = 2$

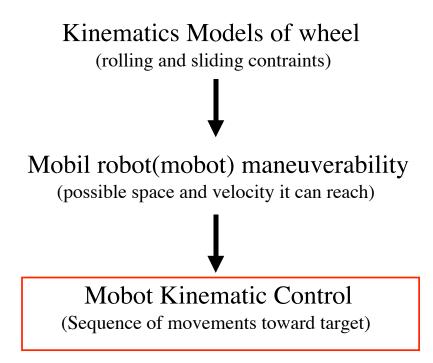
Mobile Robot Maneuverability: Wheel Configurations







Palm Pilot Robot, CMU

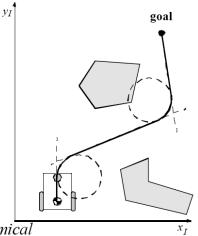


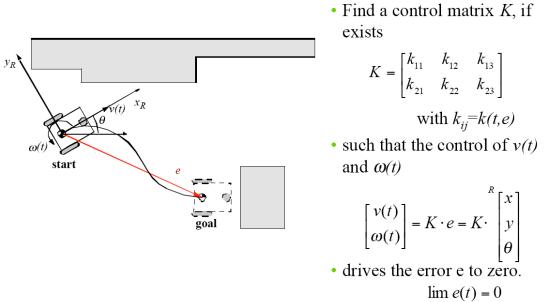
Motion Control: Open Loop Control

• trajectory (path) divided in motion segments of clearly defined shape:

> straight lines and segments of a circle.

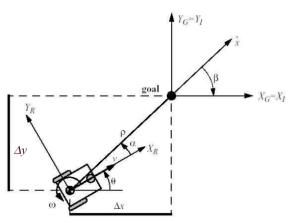
- control problem:
 - pre-compute a smooth trajectory based on line and circle segments
- Disadvantages:
 - It is not at all an easy task to pre-compute a feasible trajectory
 - limitations and constraints of the robots velocities and accelerations
 - does not adapt or correct the trajectory if dynamical changes of the environment occur.
 - > The resulting trajectories are usually not smooth





Motion Control: Feedback Control, Problem Statement

Motion Control: Kinematic Position Control

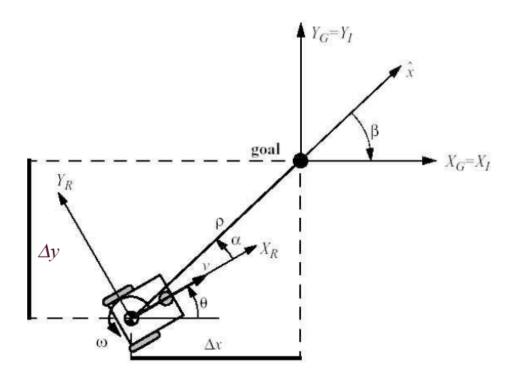


The kinematic of a differential drive mobile robot described in the initial frame $\{x_p, y_p, \theta\}$ is given by,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

where and are the linear velocities in the direction of the x_I and y_I of the initial frame.

Let α denote the angle between the x_R axis of the robots reference frame and the vector connecting the center of the axle of the wheels with the final position.



Coordinates transformation into polar coordinates with its origin at goal position:

$$\rho = \sqrt{\Delta x^{2} + \Delta y^{2}}$$

$$\alpha = -\theta + \operatorname{atan} 2(\Delta y, \Delta x)$$

$$\beta = -\theta - \alpha$$

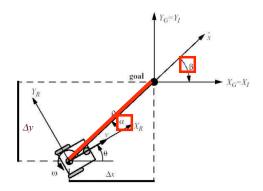
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System description, in the new polar coordinates

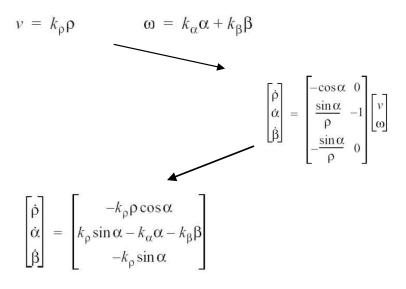
$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\rho} \\ \dot{\alpha} \\ \dot{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\cos\alpha & 0 \\ \frac{\sin\alpha}{\rho} & -1 \\ -\frac{\sin\alpha}{\rho} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\rho} \\ \dot{\alpha} \\ \dot{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & 0 \\ -\frac{\sin \alpha}{\rho} & 1 \\ \frac{\sin \alpha}{\rho} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$
for $I_1 = \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$	for $I_2 = (-\pi, -\pi/2] \cup (\pi/2, \pi]_{\text{@R. Siegwart, I. Nourbakhsh}}$

Kinematic Position Control: Remarks

- The coordinates transformation is not defined at x = y = 0; as in such a point the determinant of the Jacobian matrix of the transformation is not defined, i.e. it is unbounded
- For $\alpha \in I_1$ the forward direction of the robot points toward the goal, for $\alpha \in I_2$ it is the backward direction.
- By properly defining the forward direction of the robot at its initial • configuration, it is always possible to have $\alpha \in I_1$ it t=0. However this does not mean that α remains in I_1 for all time t.

Kinematic Position Control: The Control Law

• It can be shown, that with



Kinematic Position Control: The Control Law

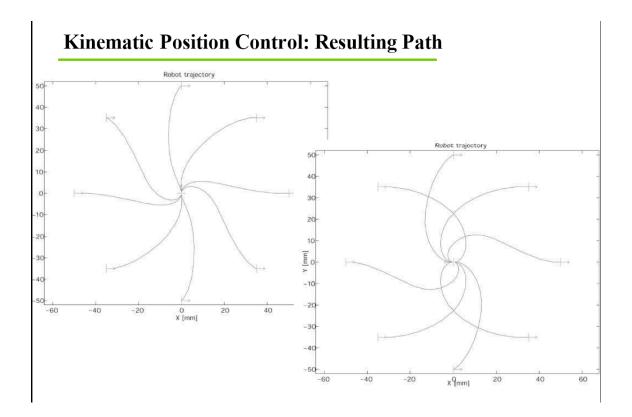
• It can be shown, that with

$$v = k_{0}\rho$$
 $\omega = k_{\alpha}\alpha + k_{\beta}\beta$

the feedback controlled system

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\rho} \\ \dot{\alpha} \\ \dot{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -k_{\rho}\rho\cos\alpha \\ k_{\rho}\sin\alpha - k_{\alpha}\alpha - k_{\beta}\beta \\ -k_{\rho}\sin\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

- will drive the robot to $(\rho, \alpha, \beta) = (0, 0, 0)$
- The control signal v has always constant sign,
 - > the direction of movement is kept positive or negative during movement
 - parking maneuver is performed always in the most natural way and without ever inverting its motion.

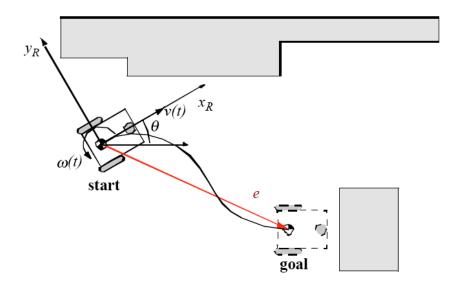


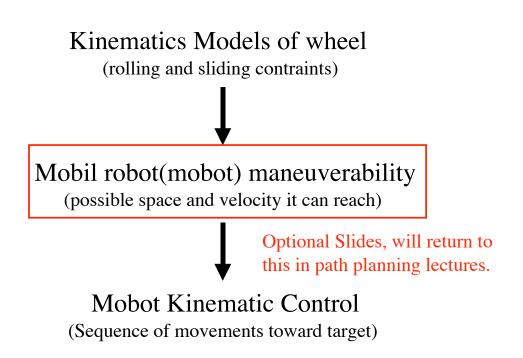
Kinematic Position Control: Stability Issue

• It can further be shown, that the closed loop control system is locally exponentially stable if

$$k_{\rho} > 0$$
 ; $k_{\beta} < 0$; $k_{\alpha} - k_{\rho} > 0$

Why there is a "S" curve shape to the path?



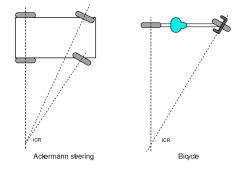


Degree of Freedom DOF

= possible space (x,y,theta) a robot can reach

What is the DOF of the Ackerman vehicle?

Is Degree of Freedom of robot same as its maneuverability?



<u>Differentiable</u> Degree of Freedom DDOF = possible velocity $(\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{\theta})$ a robot can reach

DDOF = degree of Mobility, δ_m

> Bicycle: $\delta_M = \delta_m + \delta_s = 1 + 1$ DDOF = 1; DOF=3

Omnibot: $\delta_M = \delta_m + \delta_s = 3 + 0 = 3;$

DDOF = 3; DOF = 3.

Mobile Robot Workspace: Degrees of Freedom, Holonomy

- DOF degrees of freedom:
 - Robots ability to achieve various poses
- DDOF differentiable degrees of freedom:
 - > Robots ability to achieve various path

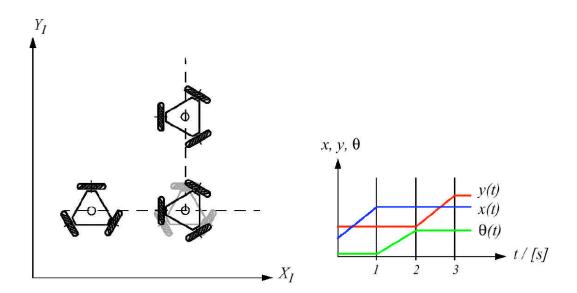
$$DDOF \leq \delta_m \leq DOF$$

Holonomic Robots

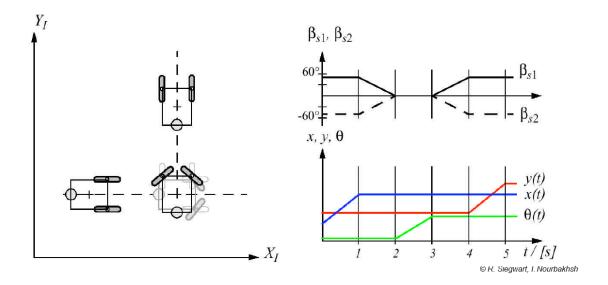
- A holonomic kinematic constraint can be expressed a an explicit function of position variables only
- > A non-holonomic constraint requires a different relationship, such as the derivative of a position variable
- > Fixed and steered standard wheels impose non-holonomic constraints

Robot is Holonomic <=> DDOF = DOF

Path / Trajectory Considerations: Omnidirectional Drive

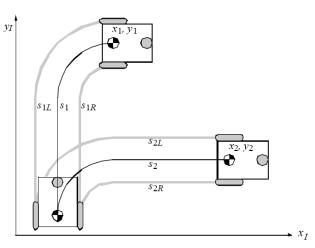


Path / Trajectory Considerations: Two-Steer



Mobile Robot Kinematics: Non-Holonomic Systems

 $s_1 = s_2$; $s_{1R} = s_{2R}$; $s_{1L} = s_{2L}$ but: $x_1 \neq x_2$; $y_1 \neq y_2$

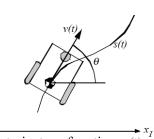


- Non-holonomic systems
 - > differential equations are not integrable to the final position.
 - the measure of the traveled distance of each wheel is not sufficient to calculate the final position of the robot. One has also to know how this movement was executed as a function of time.

Non-Holonomic Systems: Mathematical Interpretation

• A mobile robot is running along a trajectory *s*(*t*). At every instant of the movement its velocity *v*(*t*) is:

$$v(t) = \frac{\partial s}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \sin \theta$$
$$ds = dx \cos \theta + dy \sin \theta$$



 y_T

• Function v(t) is said to be integrable (holonomic) if there exists a trajectory function s(t) that can be described by the values x, y, and θ only.

$$s = s(x, y, \theta)$$

• This is the case if

$$\frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial y \partial x} \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial x \partial \theta} = \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial \theta \partial x} \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial y \partial \theta} = \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial \theta \partial y}$$

Condition for integrable function

• With $s = s(x, y, \theta)$ we get for ds $ds = \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial s}{\partial \theta} d\theta$