



The Jacobian in the Force Domain

Work out = Work in

$$F^T \Delta x = \tau^T \Delta \theta$$

$$\Delta x = J \Delta \theta$$

therefore: $F^T [J \Delta \theta] = \tau^T \Delta \theta$

$$F^T J = \tau^T,$$

$$\text{or } \tau = J^T F$$



Review — Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

$$\vec{y} = A\vec{x}$$

if A is a real $n \times n$ matrix, the polynomial

$$p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$$

is the *characteristic polynomial* of A .

for a root of the characteristic polynomial, λ^* ,

$$(A - \lambda^* I)\vec{x}^* = \vec{0}, \vec{x}^* \neq \vec{0}$$

$p(\lambda)$: roots λ^* are **eigenvalues**
 \vec{x}^* are the **eigenvectors**



Review — EXAMPLE

Suppose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (2 - \lambda)(\lambda^2 - \lambda + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 2, \frac{1}{2} \pm \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)i$$

for

$$\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I) : \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -x_1 + x_3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2x_1 + x_3 &= 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_3 = 0, x_2 = 1 \\ -x_1 - 2x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



The Manipulator Jacobian: Principle Kinematic Transformations

“...posture variation is a means through which motion and strength characteristics of the arm is made compatible with the task [Chiu87].”

The Jacobian transforms the unit sphere in joint velocity space:

$$\|\dot{\theta}\|^2 = \dot{\theta}_0^2 + \dot{\theta}_1^2 + \dots + \dot{\theta}_n^2 \leq 1$$

to an ellipsoid in Cartesian space, since $\dot{x} = J\dot{\theta}$, and

$$\dot{\theta}^T \dot{\theta} = \|\dot{\theta}\|^2 = (J^{-1}\dot{x})^T (J^{-1}\dot{x}) = \dot{x}^T [(J^{-1})^T J^{-1}] \dot{x} = \dot{x}^T (JJ^T)^{-1} \dot{x}.$$

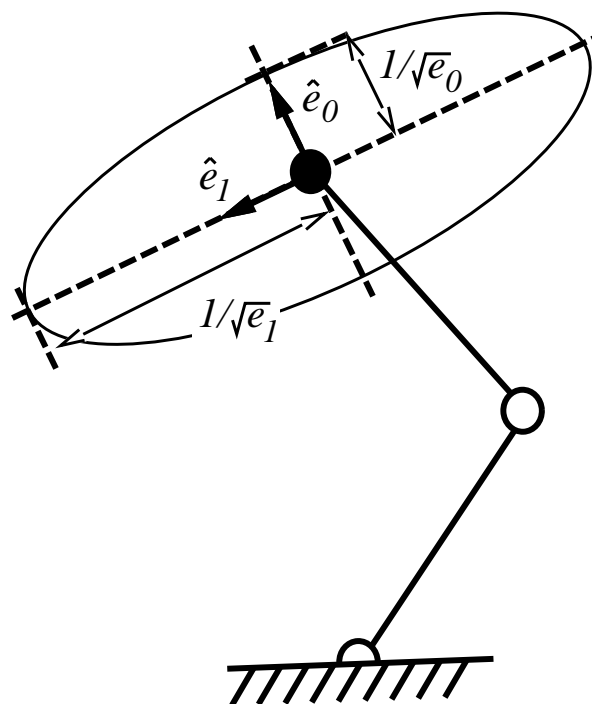
*principle directions
of the transformation \Leftrightarrow eigenvectors $(JJ^T)^{-1}$*

amplification/attenuation \Leftrightarrow eigenvalues $(JJ^T)^{-1}$



Jacobian — Conditioning Metrics

Principle Kinematic Axes — cont.



The velocity ellipsoid derived from (JJ^T)

AMPLIFICATION \Leftrightarrow *PRECISION*



Review — Matrix Norms

any real-valued function s.t.

1. $\|A\| \geq 0$
2. $\|A\| = 0$ iff $A = [0]$ identically
3. $\|\alpha A\| = |\alpha| \|A\|$
4. $\|A + B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|$
5. $\|AB\| \leq \|A\| \|B\|$

EXAMPLE:

$$\|A\|_{\infty} = \max_i \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$



Jacobian — Conditioning Metrics

Condition Number

$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

let \tilde{x} be an approximate solution,

$$\Rightarrow d\vec{b} = \vec{b} - A\tilde{x}$$

$$d\vec{b} = \vec{b} - A\tilde{x} = A\vec{x} - A\tilde{x} \Rightarrow \vec{x} - \tilde{x} = A^{-1}d\vec{b}$$

therefore,

$$\|\vec{x} - \tilde{x}\| = \|A^{-1}d\vec{b}\| \leq \|A^{-1}\| \|d\vec{b}\|$$

since,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{b} &= A\vec{x} & \|\vec{b}\| &\leq \|A\| \|\vec{x}\| \\ & & \|\vec{x}\| &\geq \frac{\|\vec{b}\|}{\|A\|} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{\|\vec{x} - \tilde{x}\|}{\|\vec{x}\|} \leq \frac{\|A^{-1}\| \|d\vec{b}\|}{\|\vec{b}\|/\|A\|} = \|A\| \|A^{-1}\| \frac{\|d\vec{b}\|}{\|\vec{b}\|}$$



Condition Number - cont.

$$\frac{||d\vec{x}||}{||x||} = \kappa(A) \frac{||d\vec{b}||}{||b||} \quad \kappa(A) = ||A|| ||A^{-1}||$$

the *condition number* describes the error amplification capacity of the transform A ,

$$1 \leq \kappa(A) \leq \infty$$

“well-conditioned”

“isotropic”

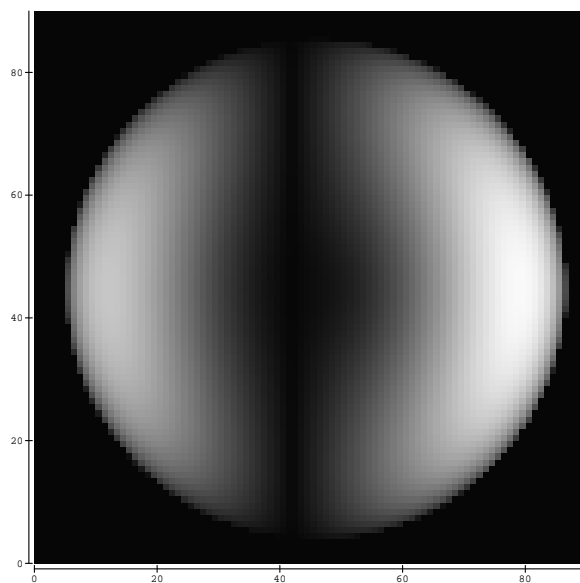
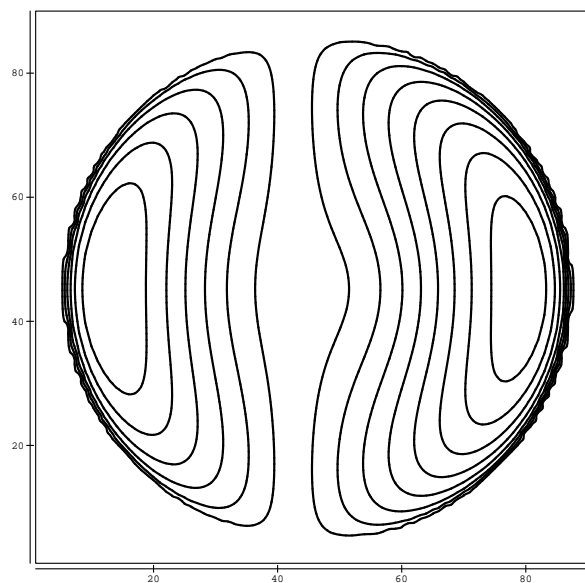
“ill-conditioned”

$$small\ d\vec{b} \Leftrightarrow small\ d\vec{x}$$



Manipulability

$$\kappa(J) = \sqrt{\det(JJ^T)}$$

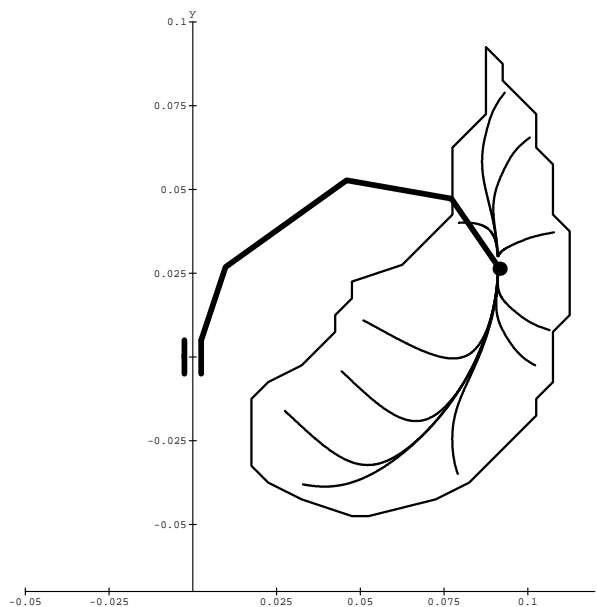




Manipulability: cont.

$$\frac{dM}{d\vec{\theta}_{arm}} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial M}{\partial \vec{x}}}_{\text{gradient field}} \quad {}^f\mathbf{R}_{arm} \quad \underbrace{\frac{\partial \vec{X}}{\partial \theta_{arm}}}_{\text{arm Jacobian}}$$

$$\Delta \vec{\theta}_{arm} = K_m * \frac{dM}{d\vec{\theta}_{arm}}$$





Inverting Non-Square Jacobians — Redundant Manipulators

Pseudoinverse

$$\vec{\rho} = \dot{\vec{x}}_{nx1} - J_{n \times m} \dot{\theta}_{mx1}$$

$$E = \vec{\rho}^T \vec{\rho} = (\dot{\vec{x}} - J\dot{\theta})^T (\dot{\vec{x}} - J\dot{\theta})$$

this quadratic construction is positive semi-definite, $\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial \dot{\theta}^2} \geq 0$, and therefore has a unique minimum...

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = 0 = J^T (\dot{\vec{x}} - J\dot{\theta}), \text{ or}$$

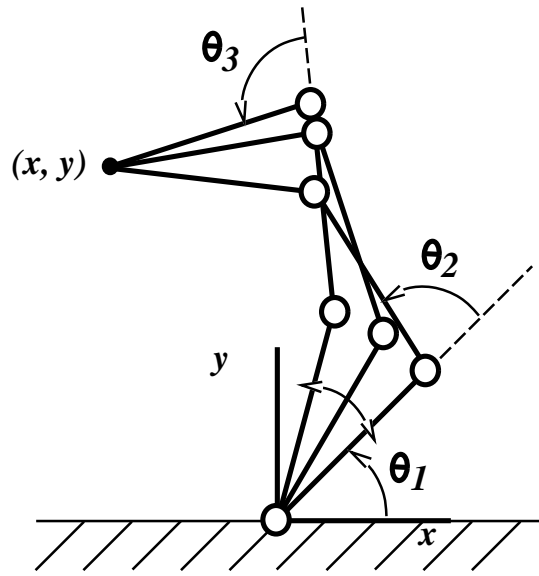
$$J^T \dot{\vec{x}} = J^T J \dot{\theta}, \text{ and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\theta} &= [J^T J]^{-1} J^T \dot{\vec{x}} & (m < n) \\ &= J^T [J J^T]^{-1} \dot{\vec{x}} & (m \geq n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{\theta} = J^+ \dot{\vec{x}}$$



Redundant Manipulators - Self-Motion Manifolds



$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= l_1 \cos(\theta_1) + l_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\
 &\quad + l_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\
 y &= l_1 \sin(\theta_1) + l_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \\
 &\quad + l_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3)
 \end{aligned}$$

therefore, the *self-motion manifold* is defined by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{Bmatrix} &= \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} = [J] \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{Bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 s_1 - l_2 s_{12} - l_3 s_{123} & -l_2 s_{12} - l_3 s_{123} & -l_3 s_{123} \\ l_1 c_1 + l_2 c_{12} + l_3 c_{123} & l_2 c_{12} + l_3 c_{123} & l_3 c_{123} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{Bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

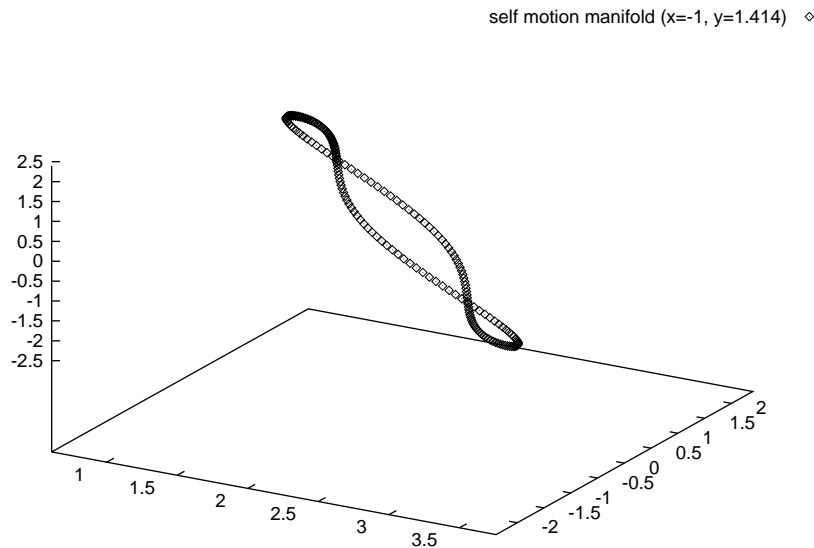


Redundant Manipulators - Self-Motion Manifolds (cont.)

For this case, internal motions along the self-motion manifold are constrained to be in the *null space* of the manipulator Jacobian:

$$\dot{\vec{\theta}}_{null} = \begin{Bmatrix} l_2 l_3 \sin(\theta_3) \\ -l_2 l_3 \sin(\theta_3) - l_1 l_3 \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ l_1 l_2 \sin(\theta_2) + l_1 l_3 \sin(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \end{Bmatrix}$$

If we follow this null space vector through a sequence of configurations, we can generate the self-motion manifold. A motion along the self-motion manifold is called an *internal motion*.





Redundant Manipulators

Pseudoinverse — secondary performance criteria

$$\dot{\theta} = J^+ \dot{x} + (I - J^+ J) \kappa$$

If κ is a $\vec{\theta}$ command that addresses a secondary performance criteria:

$$\kappa = K \frac{\partial p}{\partial \theta}.$$

then $(I - J^+ J) \kappa$ projects this velocity command onto the *null* space of J .

manipulability $p = \sqrt{\det J J^T}$

postural bias $p = (\theta - \theta_{ref})^T H (\theta - \theta_{ref})$

task compatibility $p = M^T M$, where $M = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \frac{(T_{i,act} - T_{i,des})}{T_{i,des}}$
 where T_i represents the transmission ratio
 along a task specified direction, u_i .



Redundant Manipulators — cont.

SR-Inverse

The pseudoinverse minimizes the squared Euclidean error

$$E = (\partial x - J\partial\theta)^T(\partial x - J\partial\theta)$$

and so explicitly addresses the “exactness” of the inverse solution. However, when the manipulator is near a singular configuration, the solution may still call for exceedingly large joint angle velocities.

The SR-inverse minimizes the weighted sum of “exactness” and “feasibility” errors

$$E = w_1 * \|\partial x - J\partial\theta\|^2 + w_2 * \|\partial\theta\|^2$$

where w_1 and w_2 are weights expressing the relative importance of exactness and feasibility, respectively. The result is:

$$J^* = (J^T J + KI)^{-1} J^T = J^T (JJ^T + kI)^{-1}$$

where k is the ratio w_2/w_1 ($k = 0$ yields the pseudoinverse).