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# Introduction to Robotics 

Lecture 4

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## Differential motion

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p_{\text {end }}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta \boldsymbol{p}(t) & =\boldsymbol{p}(t+\Delta t)-\boldsymbol{p}(t) \\
& =H(t+\Delta t) \boldsymbol{p}_{0}-H(t) \boldsymbol{p}_{0} \\
& =(H(t+\Delta t)-H(t)) \boldsymbol{p}_{0} \\
& =(\Delta H(t)) \boldsymbol{p}_{0}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Differential motion (cont.)

$H$ is a $4 \times 4$ homogeneous transformation from world-frame to object-frame and $\boldsymbol{p}_{0}$ is given with reference to the world-frame.

Hence it is:

$$
\begin{align*}
\dot{\boldsymbol{p}}(t) & =\lim _{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \boldsymbol{p}(t)}{\Delta t}  \tag{30}\\
& =\frac{d H(t)}{d t} \mathbf{p}_{0}  \tag{31}\\
& =\left(\frac{d H(t)}{d t} H^{-1}(t)\right) H(t) \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{0}}  \tag{32}\\
& =\left(\frac{d H(t)}{d t} H^{-1}(t)\right) \mathbf{p}(t) \tag{33}
\end{align*}
$$

## Derivative of a homogeneous transformation

Consider the homogeneous transformation H

$$
H=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} & h_{14} \\
h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} & h_{24} \\
h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} & h_{34} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

where each element is a function of a variable $t$ :

$$
d H=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
\frac{\partial h_{11}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{12}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{13}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{14}}{\partial t} \\
\frac{\partial h_{21}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{22}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{23}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{24}}{\partial t} \\
\frac{\partial h_{31}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{32}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{33}}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial h_{34}}{\partial t} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right] d t
$$

## Differential translation and rotation - World-frame

Case 1 The differential translation and rotation are executed with reference to a fixed coordinate frame.

$$
\begin{equation*}
H+d H=\operatorname{Trans}_{d x, d y, d z} \operatorname{Rot}_{k, d \theta} H \tag{34}
\end{equation*}
$$

$\operatorname{Trans}_{d x, d y, d z}$ : is a differential translation $d z, d y, d z$ with reference to the fixed coordinate frame.
$\operatorname{Rot}_{k, d \theta}$ : is a differential rotation $d \theta$ around an arbitrary vector $\mathbf{k}$ with reference to the fixed coordinate frame.
$d H$ is calculated as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
d H=\left(\operatorname{Trans}_{d x, d y, d z} \operatorname{Rot}_{k, d \theta}-I\right) H \tag{35}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Differential translation and rotation - Object-frame

Case 2 The differential translation and rotation are executed with reference to a current object coordinate frame:

$$
\begin{equation*}
H+d H=H \operatorname{Trans}_{d x, d y, d z} \operatorname{Rot}_{k, d \theta} \tag{36}
\end{equation*}
$$

$\operatorname{Trans}_{d x, d y, d z}$ : is a differential translation $d z, d y, d z$ with reference to the current object coordinate frame.
$\operatorname{Rot}_{k, d \theta}$ : is a differential rotation $d \theta$ around an arbitrary vector $\mathbf{k}$ with reference to the current object coordinate frame.
$d H$ is calculated as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
d H=H\left(\operatorname{Trans}_{d x, d y, d z} \operatorname{Rot}_{k, d \theta}-I\right) \tag{37}
\end{equation*}
$$

# Differential homogeneous transformation 

Definition

$$
\Delta=\operatorname{Trans}_{d x, d y, d z} \operatorname{Rot}_{k, d \theta}-I
$$

Thus (35) can be written as

$$
d H=\boldsymbol{\Delta} \cdot H
$$

and (37) can be written as:

$$
d H=H \cdot \Delta
$$

## Differential homogeneous transformation (cont.)

The translation by $\mathbf{d}$ is defined as:

$$
\operatorname{Trans}_{\boldsymbol{d}}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & d_{x} \\
0 & 1 & 0 & d_{y} \\
0 & 0 & 1 & d_{z} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

where $\boldsymbol{d}$ is a differential vector that represents the differential change

$$
d_{x} \vec{i}+d_{y} \vec{j}+d_{z} \vec{k}
$$

$(\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}$ are three unit vectors coinciding with $x, y, z)$.

## Differential homogeneous transformation (cont.)

The transformation of the rotation with $\theta$ around an arbitrary vector $\boldsymbol{k}=k_{x} \vec{i}+k_{y} \vec{j}+k_{z} \vec{k} \quad$ is defined as:

$$
\operatorname{Rot}_{\boldsymbol{k}, \theta}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
k_{x} k_{x} V \theta+C \theta & k_{y} k_{x} V \theta-k_{z} S \theta & k_{z} k_{x} V \theta+k_{y} S \theta & 0  \tag{38}\\
k_{x} k_{y} V \theta+k_{z} S \theta & k_{y} k_{y} V \theta+C \theta & k_{z} k_{y} V \theta-k_{x} S \theta & 0 \\
k_{x} k_{z} V \theta-k_{y} S \theta & k_{y} k_{z} V \theta+k_{x} S \theta & k_{z} k_{z} V \theta+C \theta & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

where $C \theta=\cos \theta, S \theta=\sin \theta$
and $V \theta=$ versine $\theta=2 \sin ^{2}\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)=1-\cos \theta$.
see R. Paul, Robot Manipulators: Mathematics, Programming, and Control: the Computer Control of Robot Manipulators. Artificial Intelligence Series, MIT Press, 1981, section 1.12 "General Rotation Transformation"

## Differential homogeneous transformation (cont.)

With:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \lim _{\theta \rightarrow 0} \sin \theta \rightarrow d \theta \\
& \lim _{\theta \rightarrow 0} \cos \theta \rightarrow 1 \\
& \lim _{\theta \rightarrow 0} \operatorname{vers} \theta \rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}
$$

(38) can be written as:

$$
\operatorname{Rot}_{\boldsymbol{k}, \theta}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & -k_{z} d \theta & k_{y} d \theta & 0  \tag{39}\\
k_{z} d \theta & 1 & -k_{x} d \theta & 0 \\
-k_{y} d \theta & k_{x} d \theta & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

## Differential homogeneous transformation (cont.)

$$
\begin{align*}
\boldsymbol{\Delta} & =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & d_{x} \\
0 & 1 & 0 & d_{y} \\
0 & 0 & 1 & d_{z} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right] \cdot\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & -k_{z} d \theta & k_{y} d \theta & 0 \\
k_{z} d \theta & 1 & -k_{x} d \theta & 0 \\
-k_{y} d \theta & k_{x} d \theta & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]-\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right] \\
& =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
0 & -k_{z} d \theta & k_{y} d \theta & d_{x} \\
k_{z} d \theta & 0 & -k_{x} d \theta & d_{y} \\
-k_{y} d \theta & k_{x} d \theta & 0 & d_{z} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right]
\end{align*}
$$

## Differential rotation around the $x, y, z$ axes

$$
\begin{align*}
R_{x, \psi} & =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & C \psi & -S \psi & 0 \\
0 & S \psi & C \psi & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]  \tag{42}\\
R_{y, \theta} & =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
C \theta & 0 & S \theta & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
-S \theta & 0 & C \theta & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]  \tag{43}\\
R_{z, \phi} & =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
C \phi & -S \phi & 0 & 0 \\
S \phi & C \phi & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right] \tag{44}
\end{align*}
$$

## Differential rotation around the $x, y, z$ axes (cont.)

Considering the differential change:
$\sin \theta \rightarrow \delta \theta$ and
$\cos \theta \rightarrow 1$


$$
\begin{align*}
R_{x, \delta_{x}} & =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & -\delta_{x} & 0 \\
0 & \delta_{x} & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]  \tag{45}\\
R_{y, \delta_{y}} & =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & \delta_{y} & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
-\delta_{y} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]  \tag{46}\\
R_{z, \phi} & =\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & -\delta_{z} & 0 & 0 \\
\delta_{z} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right] \tag{47}
\end{align*}
$$

Omitting terms of the 2nd order, one gets:

$$
R_{z, \delta_{z}} R_{y, \delta_{y}} R_{x, \delta_{x}}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & -\delta_{z} & \delta_{y} & 0  \tag{48}\\
\delta_{z} & 1 & -\delta_{x} & 0 \\
-\delta_{y} & \delta_{x} & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

Through comparison of (39) with (48) one determines:

$$
\begin{align*}
& k_{x} d \theta=\delta_{x}  \tag{49}\\
& k_{y} d \theta=\delta_{y}  \tag{50}\\
& k_{z} d \theta=\delta_{z} \tag{51}
\end{align*}
$$

Equation (41) can be rewritten as:

$$
\boldsymbol{\Delta}=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
0 & -\delta_{z} & \delta_{y} & d_{x} \\
\delta_{z} & 0 & -\delta_{x} & d_{y} \\
-\delta_{y} & \delta_{x} & 0 & d_{z} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

Definition of differential transformation
$\boldsymbol{\Delta}$ is therefore fully defined by the vectors $\boldsymbol{d}$ and $\boldsymbol{\delta}$.
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