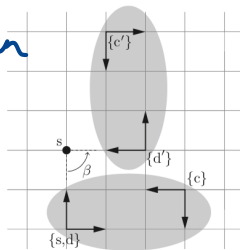


Screw motion

All* motions in 2D are rotations (about a well-chosen center.)

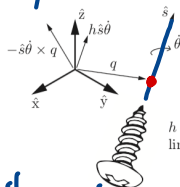
* rigid, orientation preserving.



- ▶ 2D Screw motion: any rigid motion in the plane can be represented by a rotation around a well-chosen center.
- ▶ We can encode it with (β, s_x, s_y) , where (s_x, s_y) is the position of the center of the rotation, and β the angle. Here, $\beta = \pi/4$ and $s = (0, 2)$

Screw motion

note: by convention,
the translation
amount is given
by $\theta \cdot h$ i.e., if we translate by 10 cm & rotate by 10° ,
then $h = 1 \text{ cm/deg}$, $\theta = 10^\circ$



in 3D: rotation &
translation about the
same axis.

$h = \text{pitch} =$
linear speed/angular speed

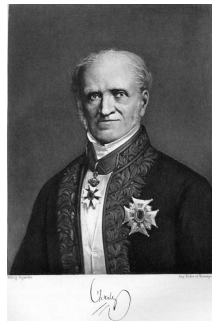
- ▶ **Chasles-Mozzi Theorem:** Any displacement in 3D can be represented by a rotation + translation about same axis. This is called a **screw motion**.
- ▶ **Data for a screw:** Axis of rotation: $q \in \mathbb{R}^3 + \hat{s} \in S^2$; pitch h : ratio linear/angular speed; $\dot{\theta}$: angular velocity.
- ▶ Rotation of θ rad results in translation of $h\theta$ along axis.
- ▶ Very useful to represent motion of revolute and prismatic joints.
- ▶ Write as $\mathcal{S} = \{q, \hat{s}, h\}$.

6 parameters; well suited to describe joints

Ball and Chasles



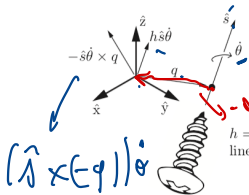
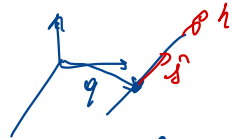
Chasles



- ▶ Rodrigues and Chasles took the entrance exam to Polytechnique/Normale at the same time, finishing first and second respectively. Rodrigues did not use it and elected to go to La Sorbonne.

Screw motion $\rightarrow$ twist $\{q, \hat{s}, h\}$

result: $\dot{x} = \omega \times x$



$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \omega \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\omega_s = \hat{s}$$

$$v_s = (-\hat{s} \times q) \dot{\theta}$$

$$+ h \hat{s} \dot{\theta}$$

h = pitch =
linear speed/angular speed

- How to represent a screw motion as a twist? Take $S = \{q, \hat{s}, h\}$.
 - **Rotational velocity**: $\omega = \hat{s} \dot{\theta}$.
 - **Linear velocity**: velocity at origin of frame = translation along the screw axis + linear motion at origin induced by rotation of screw axis:

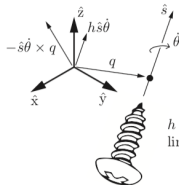
$$v = h \hat{s} \dot{\theta} - \hat{s} \dot{\theta} \times q.$$

Twist $\rightarrow$ Screw motion

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_s \\ v_s \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{?}{=} \begin{pmatrix} q, \hat{s}, h \end{pmatrix}'$$

$$V_s = -(\hat{s} \times q) \dot{\theta} + h \dot{\theta} \hat{s}$$

$$\omega_s / \|\omega_s\| = \hat{s}$$



h = pitch =
linear speed/angular speed

- How to represent a twist as a screw motion? Take $\mathcal{V} = [\omega, v]^\top$
 - **Rotation+pitch:** $\hat{s} = \omega / \|\omega\| = \bar{\omega}$, $\dot{\theta} = \|\omega\|$ and $h = \bar{\omega}^\top v / \dot{\theta} = \omega^\top v / \|\omega\|^2$.
 - **Offset q :** Assuming $\omega \neq 0$ (not pure translation, so that there is a meaningful rotation axis), need to find q so that $v = h\hat{s}\dot{\theta} - \hat{s}\dot{\theta} \times q$. Cross product on left by $\hat{s}$ yields

$$q = \frac{\hat{s} \times v}{\dot{\theta}}.$$

$$v_s = -(\hat{j} \times q) \dot{\theta} + h \hat{j} \dot{\theta}$$

recall $\hat{j}^T v_s = \langle \hat{j}, v_s \rangle$
 $= \hat{j} \cdot v_s$
 inner or dot product

but: $\hat{j} \times q$ is by definition
 $\perp$ to both q & $\hat{j}$!!

$$\Rightarrow \hat{j}^T v_s = h \underbrace{\hat{j}^T \hat{j}}_{\|\hat{j}\|^2=1} \dot{\theta} = h \dot{\theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow h &= \frac{\hat{j}^T v_s}{\dot{\theta}} = \frac{[\omega_s / \|\omega_s\|]^T v_s}{\|\omega_s\|} \\ &= \frac{\omega_s^T v_s}{\|\omega_s\|^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_s \\ v_s \end{pmatrix}$$

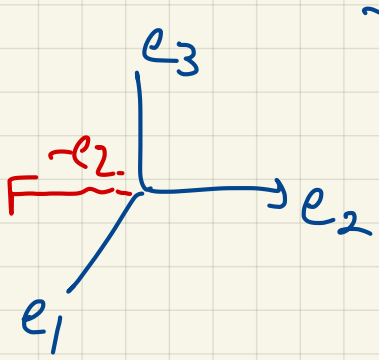
$$\begin{aligned} \hat{j} &= w_s / \|w_s\| \\ \hat{\theta} &= \|w_s\| \\ h &= \frac{w_s^T v_s}{\|w_s\|^2} \end{aligned}$$

How about q ?

$$v_s = -(\hat{j} \times q) \dot{\theta} + h \hat{j} \dot{\theta}$$

$$\hat{j} \times v_s = \hat{j} \times (-\hat{j} \times q) \dot{\theta} + \underbrace{\hat{j} \times h \hat{j} \dot{\theta}}_0$$

example:

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} e_1 \times (e_1 \times e_2) \\ e_3 \\ -e_2 \end{array} \right]$$


$$= -(\hat{j} \times (\hat{j} \times q)) \dot{\theta} + 0$$

$$= -(-q) \dot{\theta}$$

$$= q \dot{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow q = (\hat{j} \times v_s) / \|w_s\|$$

∴ To formally show that

$\hat{i} \times (\hat{i} \times q) = -q$ for any normalized $\hat{i}$ wrt $\|v\|$ or q , we determine the formula.

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_s \\ v_s \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

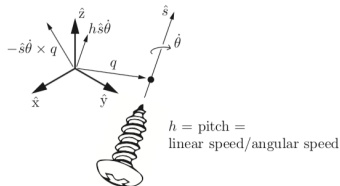
$$\hat{i} = w_s / \|w_s\|$$

$$\hat{o} = \|w_s\|$$

$$h = \frac{w_s^T v_s}{\|w_s\|^2}$$

$$q = \frac{w_s \times v_s}{\|w_s\|^2}$$

Screw motion



- For a given reference frame, we denote by $\mathcal{S}$ the *screw axis* of the screw motion $\{q, \hat{s}, \dot{\theta}\}$

$$\mathcal{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \therefore$$

with either 1: $\|\omega\| = 1$ or 2: $\omega = 0$ and $\|v\| = 1$.

Case 1: then $v = -\omega \times q + h\omega$

Case 2: corresponds to a translation along v : (h is infinite) $\rightarrow \omega = 0$.

Exponential coordinates for Rigid-Body motions

- ▶ **Recall:** for a rotation $R \in SO(3)$, its *exponential coordinates* $(\bar{\omega}, \theta)$ are so that $R = e^{[\bar{\omega}]^\theta}$. We want to do the same for rigid motions (i.e., rotation + translation)
- ▶ The matrix $[\bar{\omega}]$ was skew-symmetric: $[\bar{\omega}] \in \mathfrak{so}(3)$.
- ▶ We defined

$$\exp : \mathfrak{so}(3) \rightarrow SO(3) : A \rightarrow I + A + A^2/2! + \dots$$

$$\log : SO(3) \rightarrow \mathfrak{so}(3) : R \rightarrow \frac{1}{2 \sin \theta} (R - R^\top)$$

Exponential coordinates for Rigid-Body motions

- ▶ By analogy, we define the exponential coordinates for a homogeneous transformation T as $\mathcal{S}\theta \in \mathbb{R}^6$, where $\mathcal{S}$ is the screw axis and θ the distance around the screw axis to take a frame from I to T .
- ▶ Recall that if $\mathcal{S} = (\omega, v)$ is with $\|\omega\| = 1$, then θ is an angle of rotation about the screw axis. If $\omega = 0$ and $\|v\| = 1$, then θ is the distance travelled along the screw axis.
- ▶ Denote by $SE(3)$ the space of homogeneous transformations T , and by $\mathfrak{se}(3)$ the space of their exponential coordinates. We want to define

$$\begin{aligned}\exp : \mathfrak{se}(3) &\rightarrow SE(3) : A \rightarrow I + A + A^2/2! + \dots \\ \log : SE(3) &\rightarrow \mathfrak{se}(3) : T \rightarrow [S]\theta \in \mathfrak{se}(3)\end{aligned}$$

Exponential coordinates for Rigid-Body motions

For $\mathcal{S} = [\omega, v]^\top$, we introduce the 4×4 matrix:

$$[\mathcal{S}] := \begin{bmatrix} [\omega] & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ As before, we can find a simple expression for the exponential. We have (recall: $\omega = \bar{\omega}\theta$)

$$\begin{aligned} e^{[\mathcal{S}]\theta} &= I + [\mathcal{S}]\theta + [\mathcal{S}]^2\theta^2/2! + [\mathcal{S}]^3\theta^3/3! + \dots \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{[\bar{\omega}]\theta} & G(\theta)v \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \text{computed fast.} \end{aligned}$$

where $G(\theta) = I\theta + [\bar{\omega}]\theta^2/2! + [\bar{\omega}]^2\theta^3/3! + \dots$.

- ▶ Recall that $[\bar{\omega}]^3 = -[\bar{\omega}]$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} G(\theta) &= I\theta + (\theta^2/2! - \theta^4/4! + \dots)[\bar{\omega}] + (\theta^3/3! - \theta^5/5! + \dots)[\bar{\omega}]^2 \\ &= I\theta + (1 - \cos \theta)\bar{\omega} + (\theta - \sin \theta)\bar{\omega}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Logarithm of Rigid-Body motions

- ▶ Given $T = (R, p) \in SE(3)$, we need to find $S = (\bar{\omega}, v)$ and θ so that

$$e^{[S]\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} R & p \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

which implies that

$$[S]\theta = \begin{bmatrix} [\bar{\omega}]\theta & v\theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a logarithm of T .

- ▶ Case 1: If $R = I$ (pure translation), then set $\bar{\omega} = 0$, $v = p/\|p\|$ and $\theta = \|p\|$.
- ▶ Case 2: **1.** Obtain $\bar{\omega}, \theta$ using the matrix logarithm of R . **2.** Set

$$v = G^{-1}(\theta)p$$

where

$$G^{-1}(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}I - \frac{1}{2}[\bar{\omega}] + \left(\frac{1}{\theta} - \frac{1}{2}\cot\frac{\theta}{2}\right)[\bar{\omega}]^2.$$

Wrenches

- ▶ Let $\{a\}$ be a ref. frame and r_a a point in a rigid body. Let the vector $f_a \in \mathbb{R}^3$ represent a force acting on the body. Assume it is a point force acting at r_a .

- ▶ The force creates a *torque or moment* $m_a \in \mathbb{R}^3$ given by

$$\underline{m_a} := \underline{r_a} \times \underline{f_a}.$$

- ▶ We merge the force and the moment in a single 6-dimensional vector, called *spatial force* or *wrench*, expressed in $\{a\}$ as

$$\mathcal{F}_a := \begin{bmatrix} m_a \\ f_a \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^6.$$

- ▶ A wrench can contain only a torque and no force: it is called a *pure moment*.
- ▶ If there are several forces/moments acting on the body, we can add their corresponding wrenches.

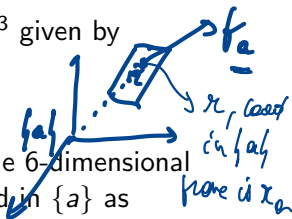


Diagram illustrating coordinate frames and vector transformations.

Frame S (blue) has axes x, y, z . Frame C (purple) has axes x_c, y_c, z_c .

Vector f_s (red) is shown in frame S. Its representation m_s is calculated as:

$$m_s = R_s \times f_s$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector f_c (purple) is shown in frame C. Its representation m_c is calculated as:

$$m_c = R_c \times f_c$$

How to obtain $\mathcal{M}_g$ in a different frame?

recall : $\mathcal{V}_a = \text{Ad}_T \mathcal{V}_b$ pos. of axis of b in a frame

$$\mathcal{V}_a = \begin{pmatrix} w_a \\ v_a \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{V}_b = \begin{pmatrix} w_b \\ v_b \end{pmatrix} \quad T_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{ab} & p_a \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Ad}_T = \begin{pmatrix} R & 0 \\ LpJR & R \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Ad}_{T_{ab}}[\mathcal{V}_b] = T_{ab}[\mathcal{V}_b]$$

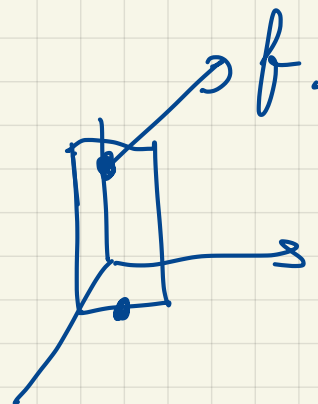
$\rightarrow T_{ba}$

Power is independent of frame.

Force · speed

$$\mathbf{f}_S^T \mathbf{v}_S = \text{power.}$$

$$= \mathbf{f}_C^T \mathbf{v}_C$$



$$\mathbf{f}_S^T \mathbf{v}_S = \mathbf{f}_C^T \text{Ad}_{T_{Sc}} \mathbf{v}_S$$

or $\mathbf{f}_S^T \text{Ad}_{T_{Sc}} \mathbf{v}_C = \mathbf{f}_C^T \mathbf{v}_C.$

Is true for all $\mathbf{v}_C!$ $\Rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{f}_S^T \text{Ad}_{T_{Sc}} = \mathbf{f}_C^T \quad \text{"duality"}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{f}_C = \left[\text{Ad}_{T_{Sc}} \right]^T \mathbf{f}_S$$

$$\left[\text{Ad}_{T_{Sc}} \right]^T \neq \text{Ad}_{T_{Cs}} \neq \text{Ad}_{T_{Sc}}^T$$

Wrenches

- ▶ Given 2 frames, a and b , and want to express the wrench in both frames: $\mathcal{F}_a, \mathcal{F}_b$.
- ▶ Denote by $\mathcal{V}_a, \mathcal{V}_b$ the motions induced by the wrench in frames a and b : we know how to relate them: $\mathcal{V}_b = \text{Ad}_{T_{ba}} \mathcal{V}_a$
- ▶ Recall: dot product of velocity and force is a power!
- ▶ Power is independent from choice of frame!

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{V}_b^\top \mathcal{F}_b &= \mathcal{V}_a^\top \mathcal{F}_a \\ &= (\text{Ad}_{T_{ab}} \mathcal{V}_b)^\top \mathcal{F}_a \\ &= \mathcal{V}_b^\top (\text{Ad}_{T_{ab}})^\top \mathcal{F}_a\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Since the previous equation holds for *all* $\mathcal{V}_b$, we have

$$\mathcal{F}_b = (\text{Ad}_{T_{ab}})^\top \mathcal{F}_a$$

$$Ad_{T_{sc}} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{sc} & 0 \\ [P_1] R_{sc} & R_{sc} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where } T_{sc} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{sc} P_s \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(Ad_{T_{sc}})^T = \begin{bmatrix} R_{cs} & -R_{cs} [P_s]^T \\ 0 & R_{cs} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where } [P_s]^T = -[P_s]$$

because $R_{sc}^T = R_{cs} = R_{sc}^{-1}$

$$[P_1]^T = -[P_s]$$

because if $P_s = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ P_3 \end{pmatrix}$ then $[P_s] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -P_3 & P_2 \\ P_3 & 0 & P_1 \\ -P_2 & P_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

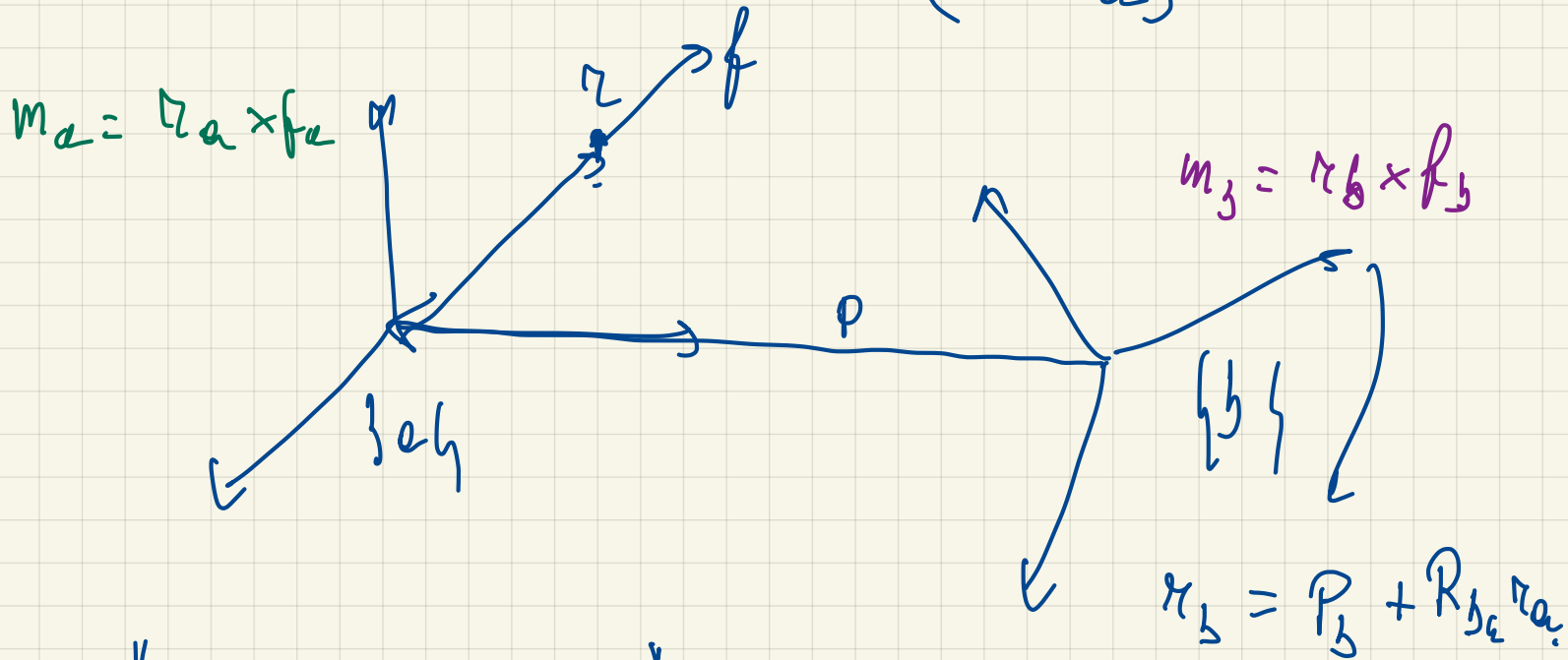
note: recall f_c is f_s in $\{C\}$ frame
thus $f_c = R_{cs} f_s$

Introduction to Robotics

Forward Kinematics

MA Belabbas

Exercice: verify $(\text{Ad}_{T_{ab}})^T \mathcal{F}_a = \mathcal{F}_b$



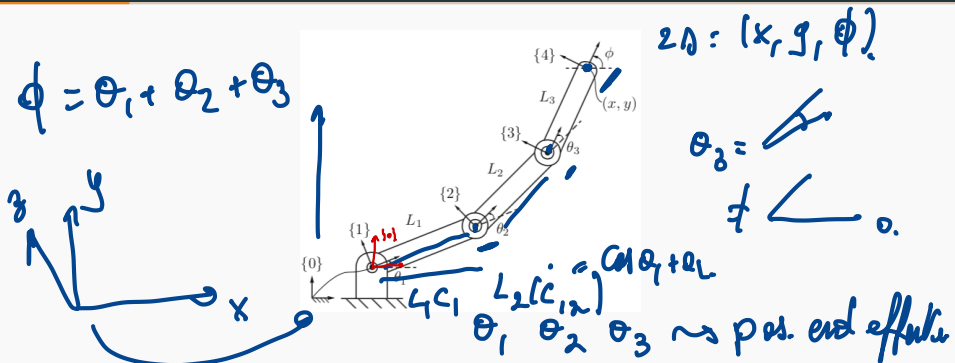
$$[p] a = p \times a$$

$$[S_1] [S_2] [S_3]$$

$$\dot{T}_{S_b} = [U_S] T_{S_b}$$

$$\sim T_{S_b} = \underbrace{e^{[U_S] \theta}}_{T_{01}} T_{S_b}(0)$$

Forward kinematics of open chains



- The **forward kinematics** of a robot refers to the calculation of the position and orientation of its effector frame from its joint coordinates.
- Here, simple trigonometry yields

$$\begin{cases} x = L_1 \cos \theta_1 + L_2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + L_3 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ y = L_1 \sin \theta_1 + L_2 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + L_3 \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \end{cases}$$

Forward kinematics

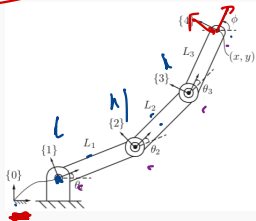
- For more complex 3D mechanisms, a direct analysis as done in previous slide is too onerous.
- We describe two systematic, principle ways to perform forward kinematics: **Product of Exponentials (PoE)** and *Denavit-Hartenberg* (next lecture).
- What we can do using previous lectures: attaching frames 1,2,3,4 to the three links and end-effector respectively, and denoting by 0 the reference frame, we need T_{04} , which we can obtain as

$$T_{04} = T_{01} T_{12} T_{23} T_{34}, \quad = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Rot}(\theta_1 + a_2 + a_3, \hat{z}) p \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and $T_{i(i+1)}$ are easy to derive.

$\{0\}$ = base frame $\{1\}$: frame attached to link 1
where $p = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$

Forward kinematics: using homogeneous transformations



$$T_{01} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, T_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_2 & -\sin \theta_2 & 0 & L_1 \\ \sin \theta_2 & \cos \theta_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_3 & -\sin \theta_3 & 0 & L_2 \\ \sin \theta_3 & \cos \theta_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, T_{34} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & L_3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$