


PR 502: Robot Dynamics &
Control

Robot Kinematics for Orientation

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Forward and Inverse
Kinematics for orientation

- If the moving frame attached to the hand of the robot has already moved to the desired position but the required orientation is not achieved:
 - Then the orientation must be changed until the desired orientation is achieved

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Forward and Inverse Kinematics for orientation



- Three possible methods for orientation change;
 - Roll Pitch and Yaw (RPY) angles
 - Euler angles
 - Articulated joints

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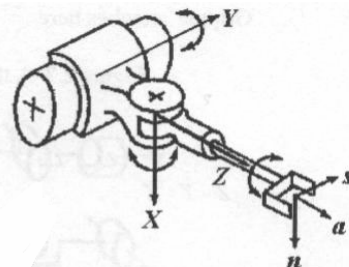
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Roll Pitch and Yaw (RPY) angles (Cardan angles)



- Roll, Pitch and Yaw is basically a sequence of three rotations about Z, Y and X axis respectively.



*Y(pitch)-X(yaw)-Z(roll)
RPY or Cardan angles*

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RPY Wrist configuration

■ RPY angles

Forearm of manipulator

Yaw

Roll

Gripper attaches here

Pitch

Pitch

Yaw

Roll

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Y(pitch)-X(yaw)-Z(roll)
RPY or Cardan angles

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RPY Wrist configuration

Elbow extension

Shoulder swivel

Arm sweep

Pitch

Yaw

Roll

Yaw (left to right)

Pitch (up and down)

Roll (rotation about center of jaws)

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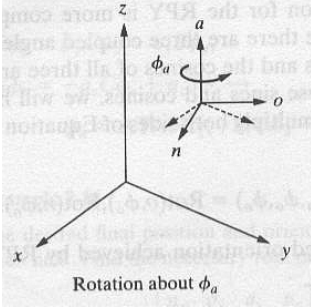
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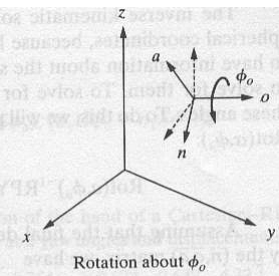
Kinematics of RPY Wrist

■ RPY angles



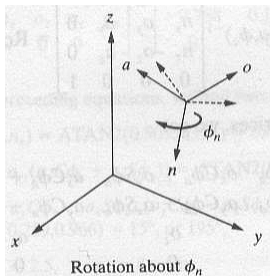
Rotation about ϕ_a

Roll



Rotation about ϕ_o

Pitch



Rotation about ϕ_n

Yaw

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Kinematics of RPY Wrist

■ RPY angles

$$\text{RPY}(\phi_a, \phi_o, \phi_n) = \text{Rot}(a, \phi_a) \text{Rot}(o, \phi_o) \text{Rot}(n, \phi_n)$$


Substituting to corresponding matrices and multiplying together

$$\begin{bmatrix} C\phi_a C\phi_o & C\phi_a S\phi_o S\phi_n - S\phi_a C\phi_n & C\phi_a S\phi_o C\phi_n + S\phi_a S\phi_n & 0 \\ S\phi_a C\phi_o & S\phi_a S\phi_o S\phi_n + C\phi_a C\phi_n & S\phi_a S\phi_o C\phi_n - C\phi_a S\phi_n & 0 \\ -S\phi_o & C\phi_o S\phi_n & C\phi_o C\phi_n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

C - cos, S - sin

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Kinematics of RPY Wrist



- Inverse kinematic equation
 - Inverse kinematic solution is complicated because sine and cosine values of all three angles have to be found
 - To solve for these sines and cosines, these angle have to be decoupled.
 - This can be achieved by pre-multiplying both sides of the equation by the inverse of $\text{Rot}(\mathbf{a}, \Phi_{\mathbf{a}})$

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Complete Kinematic Model



- Representation of the frame at the end effector relative to the frame is the product of the two matrices representing the position change and the orientation change:
 - Ex: for spherical robot

$${}^R T_H = T_{sph}(r, \beta, \gamma) RPY(\phi_a, \phi_o, \phi_n)$$

${}^R T_H$ Position and orientation of hand frame w.r.t. reference frame

T_{sph} Matrix for position change w.r.t. reference frame

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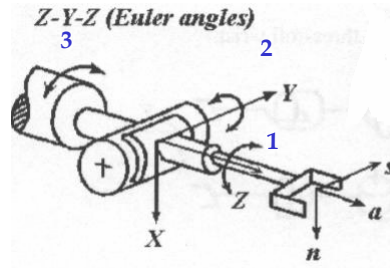
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Euler angles



- The only difference between RPY angles and Euler angles is, in Euler angles the last rotation is made about Z axis instead of X axis



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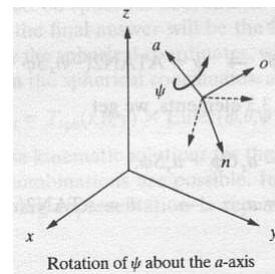
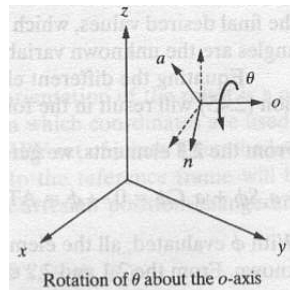
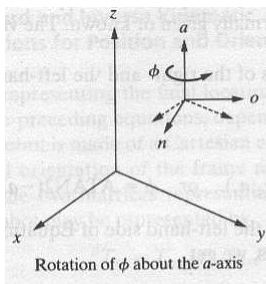
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Euler angles



- Euler angles



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Wrist configurations



- Euler angles

$$\text{Euler}(\phi, \theta, \psi) = \text{Rot}(a, \phi) \text{Rot}(o, \theta) \text{Rot}(a, \psi)$$

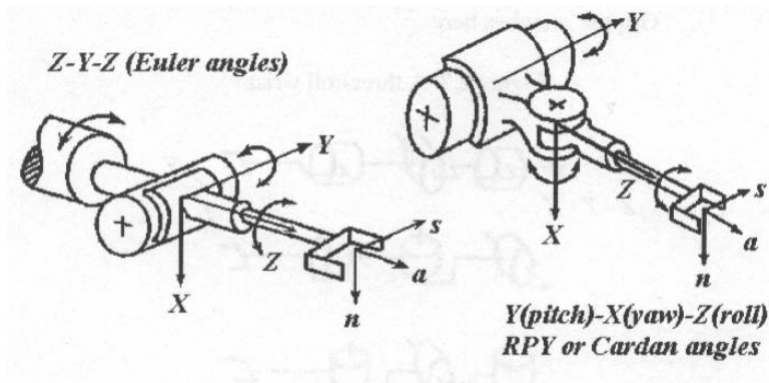
$$\begin{bmatrix} C\phi C\theta C\psi - S\phi S\psi & -C\phi C\theta S\psi - S\phi C\psi & C\phi S\theta & 0 \\ S\phi C\theta C\psi + C\phi S\psi & -S\phi C\theta S\psi + C\phi C\psi & S\phi S\theta & 0 \\ -S\theta C\psi & S\theta S\psi & C\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Wrist configurations



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