

QUESTION 1

Teach-in (1p)

What you see is what you get.

Easiest way

Board (6p)

No need to stop production during programming

Easier to optimise trajectories

To simplify collaboration

To program robots from different brands in one system

To program different processes in one system

More efficient programming

Create digital twin of factory

Test different layouts/concepts

Recommendation (1p)

Motivate which system to use

QUESTION 2

(bold are more important)

Sharp suggestions qualify for full points!!

Higher quality on welds

Higher productivity (robots are faster)

Program different brands in one system

Reduce health hazard operations from employees

Reduce manual work labour

Documentation

Complex assembly breakdown requires virtual planning for MBOM

Abstraction level of programming

Batch production is not possible requires effective online calibration (you have to discuss calibration at least)

QUESTION 3 (9p)

3a - What are the most important challenges for the companies who develop new industrial robots?

Lack of calibration

No senses (ear, feel, smell, vision)

Reduce cost without losing quality

To reach out to new markets and find new applications of industrial robots

Cannot do assembly so well (difficult to automate C-factory)

Difficult to robotize machining processes

Since the robot itself is only small part of the solution, focus must be to reduce system overall cost to be more competitive.

3b - Explain what is difficult in order to deliver a good quality robot.

To reach high accuracy and stiffness

- Geometric inaccuracies in the fabricated parts in the robot

- Thermal expansion of robot structure

- Dynamic issues due to loads and structural resonance

- System issues due to calibration, sensors, drive train, backlash etc.

3c - If you were responsible for the development of new industrial robots, in what way would you manage your resources in order to make your company a successful international robot supplier?

Increase the abstraction level of programming, which will require:

- Smarter robots

- Emphasis on sensors and connectivity to IoT

- Machine learning

Increase Collaboration

Industry 4.0 readiness

Virtual Commissioning

Develop new architectures

QUESTION 4 (2p) and QUESTION 5 (3p)

See lecture notes and comments in your exam

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BINPICKING:SUBR;
--Subroutines
PICKANDPLACE:SUBR(VAR);
PICK(VAR);
PLACE(VAR);
END;

FIXTHEOTHERTWOITEMS:SUBR(VAR1,VAR2,VAR3);
PICKANDPLACE(VAR1);
IGEN;;
TESTI(VAR2,1,ITEM2);
TESTI(VAR3,1,ITEM3);
BRANCH(IGEN);
ITEM2;;
PICKANDPLACE(VAR2);
WAITI(VAR3,1,0);
PICKANDPLACE(VAR3);
BRANCH(SLUT);
ITEM3;;
PICKANDPLACE(VAR3);
WAITI(VAR2,1,0);
PICKANDPLACE(VAR2);
SLUT;;
END;

--MAIN--
WAITI(99,1,0);
WRITEO(99,0);
IGEN;;
TESTI(1,1,ITEM1);
TESTI(2,1,ITEM2);
TESTI(3,1,ITEM3);
BRANCH(IGEN);
ITEM1;;
FIXTHEOTHERTWOITEMS(1,2,3);
BRANCH(PALLET);
ITEM2;;
FIXTHEOTHERTWOITEMS(2,1,3);
BRANCH(PALLET);
ITEM3;;
FIXTHEOTHERTWOITEMS(3,1,2);
PALLET;;
WRITEO(99,1);
END;
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$$a) T = \text{Rot}(z, \theta_1) \text{Trans}(x, a) \text{Trans}(z, b) \text{Rot}(y, \theta_2) \text{Trans}(x, d) \text{Rot}(x, \theta_3) \text{Trans}(x, e) \text{Rot}(z, \theta_4) \text{Trans}(z, f)$$

Note: Other alternatives gives the same result

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & ac_1 \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & as_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_2 & 0 & s_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s_2 & 0 & c_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & d+e \\ 0 & c_3 & -s_3 & 0 \\ 0 & s_3 & c_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_4 & -s_4 & 0 & 0 \\ s_4 & c_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & f \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1c_2 & -s_1 & c_1s_2 & ac_1 \\ s_1c_2 & c_1 & s_1s_2 & as_1 \\ -s_2 & 0 & c_2 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_4 & -s_4 & 0 & d+e \\ c_3s_4 & c_3c_4 & -s_3 & -fs_3 \\ s_3s_4 & s_3c_4 & c_3 & fc_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1c_2c_4 - s_1c_3s_4 + c_1s_2s_3s_4 & c_1s_2s_3c_4 - c_1c_2s_4 - s_1c_3c_4 & s_1s_3 + c_1s_2c_3 & c_1c_2(d+e) + f(s_1s_3 + c_1s_2c_3) + ac_1 \\ s_1c_2c_4 + c_1c_3s_4 + s_1s_2s_3s_4 & s_1s_2s_3c_4 + c_1c_3c_4 - s_1c_2s_4 & s_1s_2c_3 - c_1s_3 & s_1c_2(d+e) + f(s_1s_2c_3 - c_1s_3) + as_1 \\ c_2s_3s_4 - s_2c_4 & s_2s_4 + c_2s_3c_4 & c_2c_3 & fc_2c_3 - s_2(d+e) + b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- b) NO – not for a 6DOF target position. The construction and workspace limits the robot so that it is impossible to reach a position in more than one way. If the target only includes a point (X,Y,Z) then we would have a degenerate robot.

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a) With the new TCP:

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_\theta c_\beta & -s_\theta & c_\theta s_\beta & x c_\theta \\ s_\theta c_\beta & c_\theta & s_\theta s_\beta & x s_\theta \\ -s_\beta & 0 & c_\beta & z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & p \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_\theta c_\beta & -s_\theta & c_\theta s_\beta & p c_\theta c_\beta + x c_\theta \\ s_\theta c_\beta & c_\theta & s_\theta s_\beta & p s_\theta c_\beta + x s_\theta \\ -s_\beta & 0 & c_\beta & z - p s_\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The translation is described by the last column and the rotation vector for joint 4 is described by the second column. The complete reorientation is:

$$\omega = \dot{\theta} \mathbf{e}_z + \dot{\beta} \mathbf{e}_4 = \dot{\theta} \mathbf{e}_z - \dot{\beta} s_\theta \mathbf{e}_x + \dot{\beta} c_\theta \mathbf{e}_y$$

Matching these components in the Jacobian together with the partial derivatives for the translation gives:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} -p s_\theta c_\beta - x s_\theta & c_\theta & 0 & -p c_\theta s_\beta \\ p c_\theta c_\beta + x c_\theta & s_\theta & 0 & -p s_\theta s_\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -p c_\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -s_\theta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_\theta \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) The robot is fixed with $\theta=0 \Rightarrow \dot{\theta} = 0$ and no reorientation about x and z will let us delete the first column + row 4 and 6 (only zeros in row 2) resulting in:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -p s_\beta \\ 0 & 1 & -p c_\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The determinant = 1 so **no singularities**. The inverse is J^{-1} :

$$J^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & p s_\beta \\ 0 & 1 & p c_\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{z} \\ \dot{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & p s_\beta \\ 0 & 1 & p c_\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p}_x \\ \dot{p}_z \\ \omega_y \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \dot{p}_x = \dot{p}_z = 0 \text{ so we will have:}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{z} \\ \dot{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & p s_\beta \\ 0 & 1 & p c_\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \omega_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_y p s_\beta \\ \omega_y p c_\beta \\ \omega_y \end{bmatrix}$$