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a)

It is to fulfill the 3-2-1 method. First side 3 points support, second side 2 points support, third side 1 point contact support. This locates the part in space. If this is not fulfilled, you may lose accuracy in the assembly or overconstrain.

I also expected a description of how the 3-2-1 method worked

For something to be classified as a fixture it is important to have a structure which maintains the relationship between its various elements. It is very important to consider the 3-2-1 rule (6 point contact solution). This principle says that for a workpiece to be completely confined it has to be banked against 3 points in one plane, 2 points in another plane and 1 point in the third plane. If we don't follow these rules we will not confine our workpiece in all 6 degrees of freedom. Also when building fixtures we have to build some oversized and oval holes that will allow the part to expand with heat or some other elements and allow us to bring it out of the fixture when processing is done.

b)

We should definitely use modular tooling as we are working with prototypes. From prototypes we can expect some changes in what they are made since that's what prototypes are for so it doesn't make sense to build a fixed non modular fixture/tooling as we will most likely have to change it in the end anyway. Also modular tooling allows us to change during the prototyping phase so we can try out different solutions as well and see what works best for our specific use case. As we said in the lectures modular fixtures take shorter time to configure and assemble, reduce inventory holding, and offer good repeatability and accuracy. They also simplify assembly. But to note is that these parts are very big and heavy so an aluminium fixture might not be sufficient so we could use a solution with BoxJoint as described in the lectures to get a more rigid modular fixture/tooling.

Low volume should suggest using modular tooling to enable re-build and re-use

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a)

ARC welding robots are used since ships are built in steel. Many plates are welded together.

Most likely we would use a classical industrial arm robot that would most likely do steel plate handling and welding. We need industrial robots as this task requires high load capacity and high accuracy to be able to assure a high quality product. The plates are very heavy so a collaborative robot is not an option as they can only lift around 15kg, so the only reasonable option is the classical industrial robot as in the car industry. Also in addition to the big welding and handling robots, some smaller ones for quality control could be used that would go around the boat autonomously (ie. a drone) and try to find imperfections or deformations on the ship.

b)

Having one program per plate assembly and there are many plate assemblies, it is well worth to invest development on process-oriented programming where programs are created automatically from product parameters.

Every assembly was unique. New program for every assembly. Therefore we needed Process-oriented programming.

As each ship is unique, a higher abstraction level than robot oriented is very advantageous. Robot oriented programming for unique parts requires the programmer to more or less rewrite the robot program for each new product. By using object oriented programming or task oriented programming, the process of programming for welding ships would be greatly simplified. This would probably require robot manufacturers/programming software developers to implement new abstraction levels for programming, which could be aided by machine learning. (Philip Lees 2021)

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Unitmate. First customer was GM. They had hazardous environment, wearout of humans, and many repetitive tasks. It was more cost-effective using robots.

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See the course material on Canvas

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Stands for Intelligently Moving Manikin.

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The Gartner hype cycle describes the maturity of emerging technologies. Usually higher and higher expectations build up for a new technology over time, as speculations about it occur. After some time, it is found that many of these uses are not possible or are difficult to achieve, lowering the hype. After some more time, the applications where the technology works well are discovered and implemented, which leads to a mature state of the technology in question.

In initial stages all the technologies will look like or presented as the solutions of the current problems because of the hype created by them when they were launched. But later it will be realized that those technologies are not the final solutions of the problems and eventually the hype goes down. This Gartner Hype cycle is that graph which shows how the expectations on each technology change over the time.

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It was socially not accepted. People were afraid of constant privacy violations.

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Motoman is the product, Yaskawa is the company

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For Yaskawa, it is a holistic engineering philosophy

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Laser as sensor - initial start point search and real-time tracking during welding.

Laser as welding source - higher efficiency/speed, easier to achieve full penetration from one sided welding, without beveling the plate.

They used lasers in order to guide the robot driving the welding, this technique is called "laser seam welding"

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Must include:

- Sensor integrated to increase the number of senses
- Machine learning to speed-up programming
- Collaboration to avoid fences and lower the cost

12 and 13

See comments in the exam and the course material on Canvas

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14.

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-- No declarations needed  
-- Definition main subroutine
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MAIN:SUBR;
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-- Subroutines
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FIXAFULLRAD:SUBR;  
WRITEO(9, 1);  
WAITI(1, 1, 0);  
WAITI(2, 1, 0);  
WAITI(3, 1, 0);  
WAITI(4, 1, 0);  
WRITEO(9, 0);  
END;
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FIXAGRIS:SUBR;  
PICKROCK;  
TESTI(4, 0, GRIS4);  
TESTI(3, 0, GRIS3);  
TESTI(2, 0, GRIS2);  
SORTROCK(1);  
BRANCH(SLUT);  
GRIS2;;  
SORTROCK(2);  
BRANCH(SLUT);  
GRIS3;;  
SORTROCK(3);  
BRANCH(SLUT);  
GRIS4;;  
SORTROCK(4);  
SLUT;;  
END;
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-- Main program
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FIXAFULLRAD;  
FIXAGRIS;  
END;
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SOME ALTERNATIVES EXISTS, FOR EXAMPLE:

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FIXAGRIS:SUBR;  
PICKROCK;  
TESTI(2, 1, GRIS1);  
TESTI(3, 1, GRIS2);  
TESTI(4, 1, GRIS3);  
SORTROCK(4);  
BRANCH(SLUT);  
GRIS3;;  
SORTROCK(3);  
BRANCH(SLUT);  
GRIS2;;  
SORTROCK(2);  
BRANCH(SLUT);  
GRIS1;;  
SORTROCK(1);  
SLUT;;  
END;
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a) $T = \text{Rot}(z, \theta_1) \text{Trans}(z, a_2) \text{Trans}(x, b) \text{Rot}(x, 180^\circ) \text{Rot}(y, \theta_3) \text{Trans}(z, d) \text{Rot}(x, 90^\circ) \text{Rot}(z, 90^\circ) \text{Rot}(z, \theta_4) \text{Trans}(z, e)$

Note: Other alternatives gives the same result

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -s_1 & 0 & bc_1 \\ s_1 & c_1 & 0 & bs_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & a_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_3 & 0 & s_3 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ s_3 & 0 & -c_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -s_4 & -c_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -e \\ c_4 & -s_4 & 0 & d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 c_3 & s_1 & c_1 s_3 & bc_1 \\ s_1 c_3 & -c_1 & s_1 s_3 & bs_1 \\ s_3 & 0 & -c_3 & a_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -s_4 & -c_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -e \\ c_4 & -s_4 & 0 & d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1(s_3 c_4 - c_3 s_4) & c_1(-c_3 c_4 - s_3 s_4) & -s_1 & bc_1 + dc_1 s_3 - es_1 \\ s_1(s_3 c_4 - c_3 s_4) & s_1(-c_3 c_4 - s_3 s_4) & c_1 & bs_1 + ds_1 s_3 + ec_1 \\ -s_3 s_4 - c_3 c_4 & -s_3 c_4 + c_3 s_4 & 0 & a_2 - dc_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 s_{3-4} & -c_1 c_{3-4} & -s_1 & bc_1 + dc_1 s_3 - es_1 \\ s_1 s_{3-4} & -s_1 c_{3-4} & c_1 & bs_1 + ds_1 s_3 + ec_1 \\ -c_{3-4} & -s_{3-4} & 0 & a_2 - dc_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) The first two Euler angles requires that $\theta_1 = 90^\circ$. Then look at the geometry in the YZ-plane. There are two possible solutions with the stated workspace:

$$\theta_1 = 90^\circ, a_2 = 30m, \theta_3 = 30^\circ, \theta_4 = -30^\circ$$

$$\theta_1 = 90^\circ, a_2 = (30 - \sqrt{3}d)m, \theta_3 = 150^\circ, \theta_4 = 90^\circ$$

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- a) The purpose of the fourth row is to get the angular velocity ω_z of the TCS about the baseframe's Z-axis. This is done by multiplying it with the corresponding joint velocities:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} = J \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{d}_3 \\ \dot{\theta}_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theoretically/mathematically the elements of the fourth row are the partial derivatives we get when we differentiate the angular displacement of the TCS about the baseframe's Z-axis with respect to each joint variable.

For the IBM7545 the elements corresponds to each joint's rotation unit vector w r t the baseframe's Z-axis. The 1st and 2nd one are parallel with the baseframe's Z-axis ($=1\mathbf{e}_z$). The 4th joint has opposite direction ($=-1\mathbf{e}_z$). Prismatic joints doesn't contribute to angular displacement ($= 0$).

Values of the third prismatic joint d_3 are not present in the Jacobian since it becomes a constant ($=-1$) when differentiating the Z displacement. θ_4 would appear if we introduce a TCP with XY-offsets. But the TCP is located on the rotation axis of the last joint and so the translational motion is independent of θ_4 . The angular motion dependency of θ_4 is the constant rotation unit vector explained above ($=-1\mathbf{e}_z$).

b)

$$J^{-1} = \frac{1}{abs_2} \begin{bmatrix} bc_{12} & bs_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ -(ac_1 + bc_{12}) & -(as_1 + bs_{12}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -abs_2 & 0 \\ -ac_1 & -as_1 & 0 & -abs_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|J| = \text{cofactor expansion by row} = -ab(s_1c_{12} - c_1s_{12}) = absin\theta_2$$

$$|J| = absin\theta_2 \Rightarrow \text{singularity in } \theta_2 = 0^\circ \text{ (} \theta_2 = 180^\circ \text{ is outside the workspace)}$$

Calculation details:

$$J_{11}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} bc_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = bc_{12}$$

$$J_{12}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} -bs_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = bs_{12}$$

$$J_{13}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} -bs_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ bc_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{14}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} -bs_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ bc_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{21}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} ac_1+bc_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -(ac_1+bc_{12})$$

$$J_{22}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1+bs_{12}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -(as_1+bs_{12})$$

$$J_{23}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1+bs_{12}) & 0 & 0 \\ ac_1+bc_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{24}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1+bs_{12}) & 0 & 0 \\ ac_1+bc_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{31}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} ac_1+bc_{12} & bc_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{32}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1+bs_{12}) & -bs_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{33}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1 + bs_{12})-bs_{12} & 0 \\ ac_1 + bc_{12} & bc_{12} \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -abs_2$$

$$J_{34}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1 + bs_{12}) & -bs_{12} & 0 \\ ac_1 + bc_{12} & bc_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{41}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} ac_1+bc_{12} & bc_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -ac_1$$

$$J_{42}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1+bs_{12}) & -bs_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -as_1$$

$$J_{43}^{-1} = - \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1+bs_{12}) & -bs_{12} & 0 \\ ac_1+bc_{12} & bc_{12} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$J_{44}^{-1} = \begin{vmatrix} -(as_1+bs_{12})-bs_{12} & 0 \\ ac_1+bc_{12} & bc_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -abs_2$$