

Omnibot Velocity Kinematics

- We seek an orientation-dependent Jacobian relating wheel velocities, $\dot{q} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$, to center of body (COB) velocities,

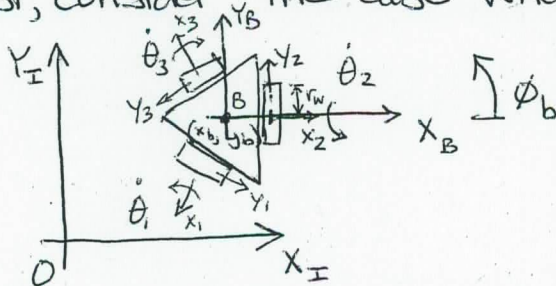
$$\dot{X} = \dot{\xi} = J(\phi_b) \dot{q}$$

$$\dot{\xi} = \dot{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_b \\ \dot{y}_b \\ \dot{\phi}_b \end{bmatrix}$$

Here, J is a function of ϕ_b .

- Note the matrix J defines a set of equations that add contributions from $\dot{\theta}_1$, $\dot{\theta}_2$, and $\dot{\theta}_3$ linearly. Thus, we can solve for elements in the 3×3 J matrix intuitively ... (one-at-a-time)

First, consider the case where $\phi_b = 0$:



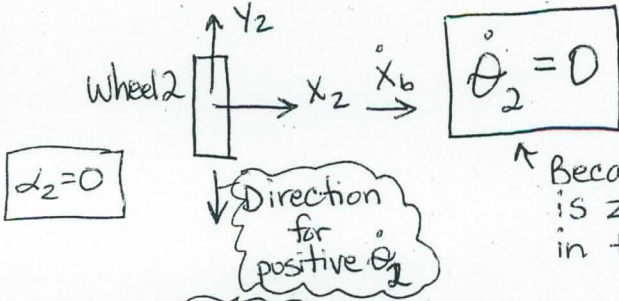
$$\text{For } \dot{x}_b = \dot{y}_b = 0, \\ \dot{\phi}_b \neq 0$$

This requires (by symmetry) equal velocities by each of the 3 wheels:

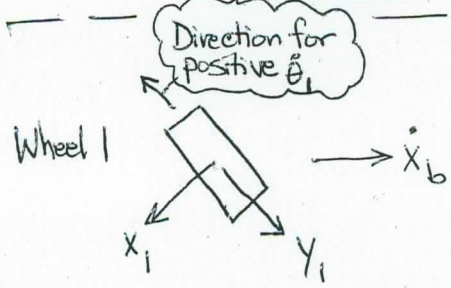
$$\begin{cases} L \dot{\phi}_b = -r_w \dot{\theta}_1 \\ L \dot{\phi}_b = -r_w \dot{\theta}_2 \\ L \dot{\phi}_b = -r_w \dot{\theta}_3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \dot{\theta}_i = \frac{-L}{r_w} \dot{\phi}_b$$

Now again enforce $\dot{\phi}_b = 0 \dots$

For $\dot{y}_b = \dot{\phi}_b = 0$
 $\dot{x}_b \neq 0$

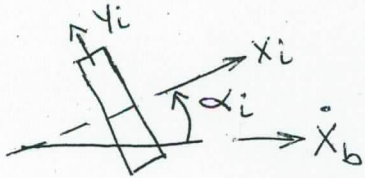


Because there is zero velocity in the \dot{y}_2 direction.



$r_w \dot{\theta}_i = + \sin \alpha_i \dot{x}_b$

Because:

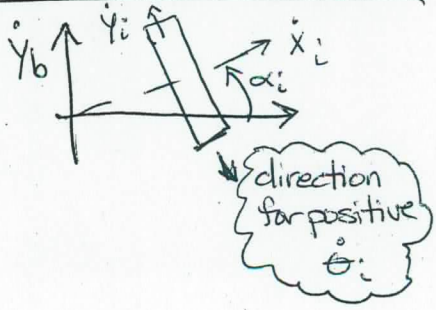


$\dot{x}_i = (\cos \alpha_i) \dot{x}_b$
 $\dot{y}_i = (-\sin \alpha_i) \dot{x}_b$
 and $\dot{y}_i = -r_w \dot{\theta}_i$
 $\therefore \dot{\theta}_i = \left(\frac{\sin \alpha_i}{r_w} \right) \dot{x}_b$

For $i = 1, 2, 3$ → All wheels

Now w/ $\dot{\phi}_b = 0 \dots$

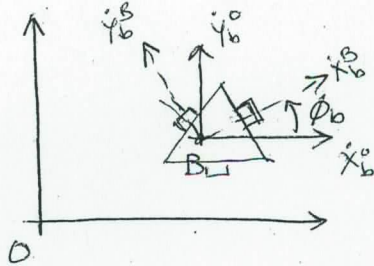
For $\dot{x}_b = \dot{\phi}_b = 0$
 $\dot{y}_b \neq 0$



$\dot{y}_i = (\cos \alpha_i) \dot{y}_b$
 and $\dot{y}_i = -r_w \dot{\theta}_i$

$\dot{\theta}_i = \left(\frac{-\cos \alpha_i}{r_w} \right) \dot{y}_b$

We can also solve for \tilde{M} in two steps,
 by relating ${}^0\dot{q}$ to \dot{X}_b^0 and then relating
 ② \dot{X}_b^0 to \dot{X}_b^B



$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\phi_b & \sin\phi_b & 0 \\ -\sin\phi_b & \cos\phi_b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

② $\dot{X}_b^B = R \dot{X}_b^0 \iff \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{X}_b^B = \cos\phi_b \dot{X}_b^0 + \sin\phi_b \dot{Y}_b^0 \\ \dot{Y}_b^B = -\sin\phi_b \dot{X}_b^0 + \cos\phi_b \dot{Y}_b^0 \\ \dot{\phi}_b^B = \dot{\phi}_b^0 \end{array} \right.$

We already found previously that:

① $\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{q}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sin(\alpha_1)}{r_w} & -\frac{\cos(\alpha_1)}{r_w} & -\frac{L}{r_w} \\ \frac{\sin(\alpha_2)}{r_w} & -\frac{\cos(\alpha_2)}{r_w} & -\frac{L}{r_w} \\ \frac{\sin(\alpha_3)}{r_w} & -\frac{\cos(\alpha_3)}{r_w} & -\frac{L}{r_w} \end{bmatrix}}_M \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \dot{X}_b^B \\ \dot{Y}_b^B \\ \dot{\phi}_b^B \end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{X}_b^B}$

B means wrt rotated coords of the body

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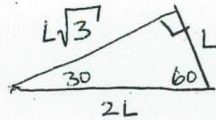
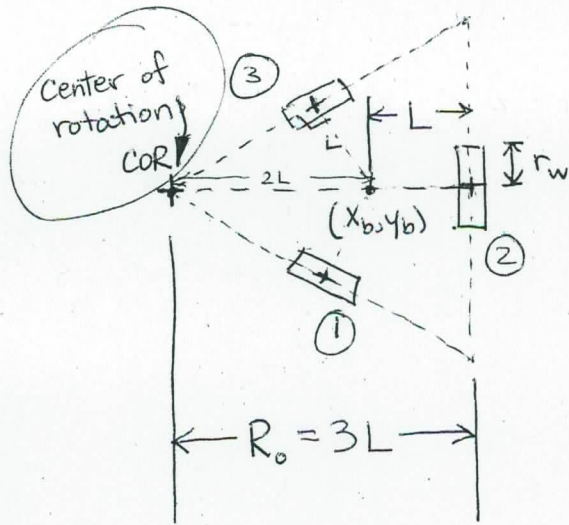
$\therefore \dot{q} = M R \dot{X}_b^0$
 $\dot{q} = \tilde{M} \dot{X}_b^0$

$\therefore \tilde{M} = MR$

↑ from page 3 result ...

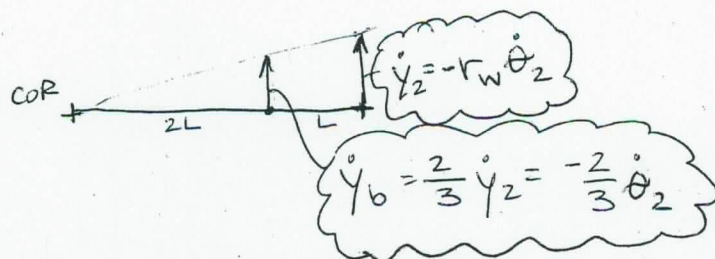
Siegwart Eqn 3.19 uses "MR" formula

• Finally, we can find J directly by holding 2 of 3 $\dot{\theta}_i$ velocities at zero and moving the third:



e.g. $\dot{\theta}_1 = \dot{\theta}_3 = 0$
Only $\dot{\theta}_2$ allowed.

Then, $\dot{x}_b = 0$
 $\dot{y}_b = \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)r_w \dot{\theta}_2$
 $\dot{\phi}_b = \left(-\frac{r_w}{L}\right)\dot{\theta}_2$



For arbitrary $\alpha_i \neq \phi_b \rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_b &= \sin(\phi_b + \alpha_i) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) r_w \dot{\theta}_i \\ \dot{y}_b &= -\cos(\phi_b + \alpha_i) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) r_w \dot{\theta}_i \\ \dot{\phi}_b &= \frac{-r_w}{3L} \dot{\theta}_i \end{aligned}$$

wrt global origin

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_b \\ \dot{y}_b \\ \dot{\phi}_b \end{bmatrix} = \dot{\xi} = J \dot{q} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\phi_b + \alpha_1) \frac{2r_w}{3} & \sin(\phi_b + \alpha_2) \frac{2r_w}{3} & \sin(\phi_b + \alpha_3) \frac{2r_w}{3} \\ -\cos(\phi_b + \alpha_1) \frac{2r_w}{3} & -\cos(\phi_b + \alpha_2) \frac{2r_w}{3} & -\cos(\phi_b + \alpha_3) \frac{2r_w}{3} \\ \frac{-r_w}{3L} & \frac{-r_w}{3L} & \frac{-r_w}{3L} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta}_1 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 \\ \dot{\theta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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