

Solutions

(Do not use Matlab, Maple, Mathematica, etc. You may use Claude or ChatGPT, but say so if you do)

ENG ME 740:

Exercises (Set 4)

1. Write down the inverse of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \cos \alpha & \sin \theta \sin \alpha & a \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \cos \alpha & -\cos \theta \sin \alpha & a \sin \theta \\ 0 & \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3 pts

2. Given a prescribed position and orientation of the planar 3-bar manipulator of the second Exercise Set, there are two possible solutions to the inverse kinematics problem. If we add one more link (in such a way that the manipulator is still planar), how many solutions are there?

3 pts

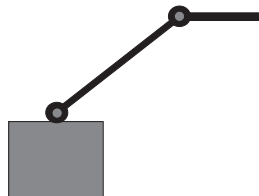
3. The figure shows a 2-bar planar manipulator with rotary joints. The second link is half as long as the first ($r_1 = 2r_2$). The joint limits are:

4 pts

$$0 < \theta_1 < 180^\circ$$

$$-90^\circ < \theta_2 < 180^\circ.$$

Sketch the approximate workspace (= the set of points which can be reached by the tip of the second link).



1.
$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 & -a \\ -\sin \theta \cos \alpha & \cos \theta \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha & -d \sin \alpha \\ \sin \theta \sin \alpha & -\cos \theta \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & -d \cos \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(HINT: IF $\begin{pmatrix} U & v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in SE(3, \mathbb{R})$, $\begin{pmatrix} U & v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} U^T & -U^T v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.)

2. INFINITELY MANY.

3. SEE NEXT PG.

3.

$r_1 = 2$

2

$r_2 = 1$

1

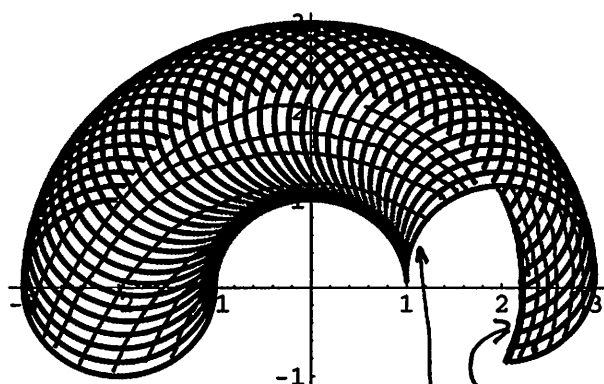
endpointset = {}

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Do[endpointset = Join[endpointset,

{ { $r_1 \cos[(j/40) \pi] + r_2 \cos[(j/40) \pi + (-\pi/2 + (k/80) \pi)]$, $r_1 \sin[(j/40) \pi] +$
 $r_2 \sin[(j/40) \pi + (-\pi/2 + (k/80) \pi)]$ } }, {j, 1, 40}, {k, 1, 120}]

ListPlot[endpointset]



- Graphics -

arc of
radius r_2

arc of radius
 $\sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2}$

The workspace looks
like the shaded
region.