

# General Theoretical Concepts Related to Multibody Dynamics





### **Before Getting Started**



• Material draws on two main sources

• Ed Haug's book, available online: <u>http://sbel.wisc.edu/Courses/ME751/2010/bookHaugPointers.htm</u>

• Course notes, available at: <u>http://sbel.wisc.edu/Courses/ME751/2016/</u>



# Looking Ahead

- Purpose of this segment:
  - Quick discussion of several theoretical concepts that come up time and again when using Chrono
- Concepts covered
  - Reference frames and changes of reference frames
  - Elements of the kinematics of a 3D body (position, velocity and acceleration of a body)
  - Kinematic constraints (joints)
  - Formulating the equations of motion
    - Newton-Euler equations of motion (via D'Alembert's Principle)

# Reference Frames in 3D Kinematics. Problem Setup

- Global Reference Frame (G-RF) attached to ground at point O
- Imagine point P is fixed (red-pen mark) on the rigid body
- Rigid body has a reference frame attached (fixed) to it
  - Assume its origin is at O (same as G-RF)
  - Called Local Reference Frame (L-RF) shown in blue
  - Axes: **f**, **g**, **h**
- Question of interest:
  - What is the relationship between the coordinates of point P in G-RF and L-RF?







# More Formal Way of Posing the Question

• Let  $\vec{\mathbf{q}} = \overrightarrow{\mathbf{OP}}$  be a geometric vector (see figure)

• In the G-RF defined by  $(\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k})$ , the geometric vector  $\vec{q}$  is represented as

$$\vec{\mathbf{q}} = q_x \vec{\mathbf{i}} + q_y \vec{\mathbf{j}} + q_z \vec{\mathbf{k}}$$

• In the L-RF defined by  $(\vec{\mathbf{f}}, \vec{\mathbf{g}}, \vec{\mathbf{h}})$ , the geometric vector  $\vec{\mathbf{q}}$  is represented as

$$ec{\mathbf{q}} = ar{q}_x ec{\mathbf{f}} + ar{q}_y ec{\mathbf{g}} + ar{q}_z ec{\mathbf{h}}$$



• QUESTION: how are  $(q_x, q_y, q_z)$  and  $(\bar{q}_x, \bar{q}_y, \bar{q}_z)$  related?



#### Relationship Between L-RF Vectors and G-RF Vectors

$$\vec{\mathbf{f}} = a_{11}\vec{\mathbf{i}} + a_{21}\vec{\mathbf{j}} + a_{31}\vec{\mathbf{k}}$$
$$\vec{\mathbf{g}} = a_{12}\vec{\mathbf{i}} + a_{22}\vec{\mathbf{j}} + a_{32}\vec{\mathbf{k}}$$
$$\vec{\mathbf{h}} = a_{13}\vec{\mathbf{i}} + a_{23}\vec{\mathbf{j}} + a_{33}\vec{\mathbf{k}}$$
$$\mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}\\ a_{21}\\ a_{31} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{g} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{12}\\ a_{22}\\ a_{32} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{h} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{13}\\ a_{23}\\ a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$
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There is a good reason the values  $a_{ij}$  above are called "direction cosines".



Punch Line, Change of Reference Frame (from "source" to "destination")

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_x \\ q_y \\ q_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{q}_x \\ \bar{q}_y \\ \bar{q}_z \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\mathbf{q}_d = \mathbf{A}_{ds} \; \mathbf{q}_s$ 

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{g} & \mathbf{h} \end{bmatrix}$$

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# The Bottom Line: Moving from RF to RF



- Representing the same geometric vector in two different RFs leads to the concept of "rotation matrix", or "transformation matrix" A<sub>ds</sub>:
  - Getting the new coordinates, that is, representation of the <u>same</u> geometric vector in the new RF is as simple as multiplying the coordinates by the rotation matrix A<sub>ds</sub>:

$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{A}_{ds} \bar{\mathbf{q}}$$

- NOTE 1: what is changed is the RF used to represent the vector
  - We are talking about the \*same\* geometric vector, represented in two RFs
- NOTE 2: rotation matrix A<sub>ds</sub> sometimes called "orientation matrix"



# **Rotation Matrix is Orthogonal**

- $\bullet\,$  Recall that  $\vec{f},\,\vec{g},\, {\rm and}\,\,\vec{h}$  are mutually orthogonal
- Recall that  $\vec{f}$ ,  $\vec{g}$ , and  $\vec{h}$  are are unit vectors
- Therefore, the following holds:

$$\mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{h} = 1$$
$$\mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{f} = 0$$

 $\bullet\,$  Consequently, the rotation matrix  ${\bf A}$  is orthogonal

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3}$$

# Summarizing Key Points, Reference Frames



- Started with the representation  $\mathbf{q}_s$  of a geometric vector  $\vec{\mathbf{q}}$  in a "source" reference frame s
- The representation of the geometric vector  $\vec{\mathbf{q}}$  in a "destination" reference frame d is given by

 $\mathbf{q}_d = \mathbf{A}_{ds} \mathbf{q}_s$ 

- Matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{ds}$  called transformation, or rotation matrix (taking vector from the source RF s to the destination RF d)
- Because  $\mathbf{A}_{ds}$  is orthogonal, one has that

$$\mathbf{q}_s = \mathbf{A}_{ds}^T \mathbf{q}_d$$
 therefore  $\mathbf{A}_{sd} = \mathbf{A}_{ds}^T$ 

• Many times, the "destination" RF is the global reference frame (G-RF), which has ID "0" - In this case, we don't show "0" anymore, simply call  $\mathbf{A}_s$  instead of  $\mathbf{A}_{0s}$ 

#### New Topic: Angular Velocity. 3D Problem Setup

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  - Local Reference Frame (L-RF) shown in blue
  - Axes: **f**, **g**, **h**
- Question of interest:
  - How do we express rate of change of blue RF wrt global RF?





# Angular Velocity, Getting There...



• Recall that  $\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{A}_i^T = \mathbf{I}_{3 \times 3}$ . Taking a time derivative yields

$$\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i \mathbf{A}_i^T + \mathbf{A}_i \dot{\mathbf{A}}_i^T = \mathbf{0}_{3 imes 3} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \dot{\mathbf{A}}_i \mathbf{A}_i^T = -\mathbf{A}_i \dot{\mathbf{A}}_i^T$$

- Quick remarks
  - The matrix  $\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i \mathbf{A}_i^T$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix
  - The matrix  $\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i \mathbf{A}_i^T$  is skew-symmetric
- CONCLUSION: there must be a vector,  $\omega_i$ , whose cross product matrix is equal to the  $3 \times 3$  skew symmetric matrix  $\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i \mathbf{A}_i^T$ :

$$\tilde{\omega}_i = \dot{\mathbf{A}}_i \mathbf{A}_i^T$$

• This vector  $\omega_i$  is called the angular velocity of the L-RF with respect to the G-RF.



### Angular Velocity: Represented in G-RF or in L-RF

• Since  $\mathbf{A}_i$  is orthogonal, rate of change  $\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i$  of orientation matrix is simply

$$\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i = \tilde{\omega}_i \mathbf{A}_i$$

• Angular velocity vector can be represented in the *local* reference frame. Skipping details,

$$\tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i = \mathbf{A}_i^T \dot{\mathbf{A}}_i$$

• Therefore, rate of change  $\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i$  of orientation matrix can also be represented as

$$\dot{\mathbf{A}}_i = \mathbf{A}_i \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i$$

• Notation convention: an over-bar placed on a vector (like  $\bar{\omega}_i$  above) indicates that quantity is a representation of a geometric vector in a local reference frame

#### New Topic: Using Euler Parameters to Define Rotation Matrix A



#### • Starting point: Euler's Theorem

"If the origins of two right-hand Cartesian reference frames coincide, then the RFs may be brought into coincidence by a single rotation of a certain angle  $\chi$  about a carefully chosen unit axis **u**"

- Euler's Theorem proved in the following references:
  - Wittenburg Dynamics of Systems of Rigid Bodies (1977)
  - Goldstein Classical Mechanics, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, (1980)
  - Angeles Fundamentals of Robotic Mechanical Systems (2003)



# Warming up...

- Green color used for quantities that define the Euler rotation: the axis of rotation defined by the unit vector u and the angle χ
- Red color used to indicate the vectors that need to be summed up to get axis  $\vec{h}$  of the L-RF
- Blue color denotes the  $\vec{f} \vec{g} \vec{h}$  axes of the L-RF
- Black dotted line support entities (helpers, don't play any role but only help with the derivation). The angle  $\alpha$  measured between the axis of rotation  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}$  and the  $\vec{\mathbf{k}}$  unit vector.
  - Other notation used:  $||\vec{\mathbf{a}}|| = a$   $||\vec{\mathbf{b}}|| = b$   $||\vec{\mathbf{c}}|| = c$





### How Euler Parameters Come to Be

• Using as input  $\chi$  and  $\mathbf{u}$ , one can express the vectors  $\vec{\mathbf{f}}$ ,  $\vec{\mathbf{g}}$ , and  $\vec{\mathbf{h}}$  in the global reference frame as

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{i}(2\cos^2\frac{\chi}{2} - 1) + 2\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{i})\sin^2\frac{\chi}{2} + 2\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{i}\sin\frac{\chi}{2}\cos\frac{\chi}{2}$$
$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{j}(2\cos^2\frac{\chi}{2} - 1) + 2\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{j})\sin^2\frac{\chi}{2} + 2\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{j}\sin\frac{\chi}{2}\cos\frac{\chi}{2}$$
$$\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{k}(2\cos^2\frac{\chi}{2} - 1) + 2\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{k})\sin^2\frac{\chi}{2} + 2\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{k}\sin\frac{\chi}{2}\cos\frac{\chi}{2}$$

• The expression of **f**, **g**, and **h** justifies the introduction of the following generalized coordinates (the "Euler Parameters"):

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} e_0 \\ e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad e_0 = \cos\frac{\chi}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{e} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{u}\sin\frac{\chi}{2}$$

• Note: **u** unit vector  $\Rightarrow$  values of  $e_0$ ,  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$ , and  $e_3$  must satisfy the normalization condition

$$e_0^2 + e_1^2 + e_2^2 + e_3^2 = e_0^2 + \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e} = 1$$



### Orientation Matrix, Based on Euler Parameters

• Based on definition of  $e_0$ ,  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$ , and  $e_3$ ,

$$\mathbf{f} = [(2e_0^2 - 1)\mathbf{I} + 2(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^T + e_0\tilde{\mathbf{e}})]\mathbf{i}$$
  
$$\mathbf{g} = [(2e_0^2 - 1)\mathbf{I} + 2(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^T + e_0\tilde{\mathbf{e}})]\mathbf{j}$$
  
$$\mathbf{h} = [(2e_0^2 - 1)\mathbf{I} + 2(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^T + e_0\tilde{\mathbf{e}})]\mathbf{k}$$

- Recall that  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{g} & \mathbf{h} \end{bmatrix}$
- Therefore,

$$\mathbf{A} = \left[ (2e_0^2 - 1)\mathbf{I} + 2(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^T + e_0\tilde{\mathbf{e}}) \right]$$

• Equivalently,

$$\mathbf{A} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} e_0^2 + e_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} & e_1 e_2 - e_0 e_3 & e_1 e_3 + e_0 e_2 \\ e_1 e_2 + e_0 e_3 & e_0^2 + e_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} & e_2 e_3 - e_0 e_1 \\ e_1 e_3 - e_0 e_2 & e_2 e_3 + e_0 e_1 & e_0^2 + e_3^2 - \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- So far, focus was only on the rotation of a rigid body
- Body connected to ground through a spherical joint
  - Body experienced an arbitrary rotation

Yet bodies are experiencing both translation and rotation





# 3D Kinematics of Rigid Body: Problem Backdrop

- Framework and Notation Conventions:
  - A L-RF is attached to the rigid body at some location denoted by  ${\cal O}'$
  - Relative to the G-RF, point O' is located by vector  $\vec{\mathbf{r}}$
  - L-RF defined by vectors  $\vec{\mathbf{f}}, \vec{\mathbf{g}}, \vec{\mathbf{h}}$
  - An arbitrary point P of the rigid body is considered. Its location relative to the L-RF is provided through the vector  $\vec{s}^P$



# 3D Rigid Body Kinematics: Position of an Arbitrary Point P

• The Geometric View:

- The Algebraic Representation:
  - $\mathbf{r}^P = \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{s}^P = \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{A}\bar{\mathbf{s}}^P$



- Important observation:
  - The vector  $\bar{\mathbf{s}}^P$  that provides the location of P in the L-RF is a constant vector
    - \* True because the body is assumed to be rigid



# 3D Rigid Body Kinematics: Velocity of Arbitrary Point P

• In the Geometric Vector world:

$$\vec{\mathbf{v}}^P = \frac{d\vec{\mathbf{r}}^P}{dt} = \dot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}} + \dot{\vec{\mathbf{s}}}^P = \dot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}} + \vec{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \times \vec{\mathbf{s}}^P$$

• Using the Algebraic Vector representation (Chrono):

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}}^P = \dot{\mathbf{r}} + \dot{\mathbf{s}}^P = \dot{\mathbf{r}} + \dot{\mathbf{A}}\bar{\mathbf{s}}^P = \dot{\mathbf{r}} + \tilde{\omega}\mathbf{A}\bar{\mathbf{s}}^P = \dot{\mathbf{r}} + \tilde{\omega}\mathbf{s}^P$$

• In plain words: the velocity  $\dot{\mathbf{r}}^P$  of a point P is equal to the sum of the velocity  $\dot{\mathbf{r}}$  of the point where the L-RF is located and the velocity  $\tilde{\omega}\mathbf{s}^P$  due to the rotation with angular velocity  $\omega$  of the rigid body



# 3D Rigid Body Kinematics: Acceleration of Arbitrary Point P

• In the Geometric Vector world, by definition:

$$\vec{\mathbf{a}}^P \equiv \frac{d^2 \vec{\mathbf{r}}^P}{dt^2} = \ddot{\vec{\mathbf{r}}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{\omega} \times \vec{\mathbf{s}}^P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{\mathbf{s}}^P$$



• Using the Algebraic Vector representation (Chrono):

$$\mathbf{a}^P \equiv \ddot{\mathbf{r}}^P = \ddot{\mathbf{r}} + \ddot{\mathbf{s}}^P = \ddot{\mathbf{r}} + \tilde{\omega}\tilde{\omega}\mathbf{A}\bar{\mathbf{s}}^P + \tilde{\dot{\omega}}\mathbf{A}\bar{\mathbf{s}}^P = \ddot{\mathbf{r}} + \tilde{\omega}\tilde{\omega}\mathbf{s}^P + \tilde{\dot{\omega}}\mathbf{s}^P$$

# Putting Things in Perspective: What We've Covered so Far

- Discussed how to get the expression of a geometric vector in a "destination" reference frame knowing its expression in a "source" reference frame
  - Done via rotation matrix A
- Euler Parameters: a way of computing the A matrix when knowing the axis of rotation and angle of rotation
- Rate of change of the orientation matrix  $A \rightarrow led$  to the concept of angular velocity
- Position, velocity and acceleration of a point P attached to a rigid body





• Kinematic constraints; i.e., joints

• Formulating the equations of motion

#### New Topic: Kinematic Constraints

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- Geometric Constraint (GCon): a real world geometric attribute of the motion of the mechanical system
  - Examples:

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- Particle moves around point (1,2,3) on a sphere of radius 2.0
- A unit vector  $\mathbf{u}_6$  on body 6 is perpendicular on a certain unit vector  $\mathbf{u}_9$  on body 9
- The *y* coordinate of point Q on body 8 is 14.5
- Algebraic Constraint Equations (ACEs): in the virtual world, a collection of one or more algebraic constraints, involving the generalized coordinates of the mechanism and possibly time t, that capture the geometry of the motion as induced by a certain Geometric Constraint
  - Examples:

- $(x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-3)^2 4 = 0$
- $\mathbf{u}_6^T \cdot \mathbf{u}_9 = 0$
- $[0\ 1\ 0] \cdot \mathbf{r}_8^Q 14.5 = 0$
- Modeling: the process that starts with the idealization of the real world to yield a GCon and continues with the GCon abstracting into a set of ACEs

# Basic Geometric Constraints (GCons)



#### • We have four basic GCons:

- DP1: the dot product of two vectors on two bodies is specified
- DP2: the dot product of a vector of on a body and a vector between two bodies is specified
- D: the distance between two points on two different bodies is specified
- CD: the difference between the coordinates of two bodies is specified
- Note:
  - DP1 stands for Dot Product 1
  - DP2 stands for Dot Product 2
  - D stands for distance
  - CD stands for coordinate difference

#### Basic GCon: DP1





• Geometrically:

$$\vec{\mathbf{a}}_i \cdot \vec{\mathbf{a}}_j - f(t) = 0$$

$$\Phi^{DP1}(i, \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i, j, \bar{\mathbf{a}}_j, f(t)) = \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{A}_j \bar{\mathbf{a}}_j - f(t) = 0$$

#### Basic GCon: DP2



• Geometrically:

$$\vec{\mathbf{a}}_i \cdot \vec{\mathbf{d}}_{ij} - f(t) = 0$$

$$\Phi^{DP2}(i, \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P, j, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_j^Q, f(t)) = \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{d}_{ij} - f(t)$$
  
=  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i^T (\mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{A}_j \bar{\mathbf{s}}_j^Q - \mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{A}_i \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P) - f(t) = 0$ 

#### Basic GCon: D

• Geometrically:

$$\vec{\mathbf{d}}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{d}}_{ij} - f^2(t) = 0$$

$$\Phi^{D}(i, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_{i}^{P}, j, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_{j}^{Q}, f(t)) = \mathbf{d}_{ij}^{T} \mathbf{d}_{ij} - f^{2}(t)$$
$$= (\mathbf{r}_{j} + \mathbf{A}_{j} \bar{\mathbf{s}}_{j}^{Q} - \mathbf{r}_{i} - \mathbf{A}_{i} \bar{\mathbf{s}}_{i}^{P})^{T} (\mathbf{r}_{j} + \mathbf{A}_{j} \bar{\mathbf{s}}_{j}^{Q} - \mathbf{r}_{i} - \mathbf{A}_{i} \bar{\mathbf{s}}_{i}^{P}) - f^{2}(t) = 0$$





#### Basic GCon: CD





• Geometrically (**c** is a constant vector):

$$\vec{\mathbf{c}} \cdot (\vec{\mathbf{a}}_j - \vec{\mathbf{a}}_i) - f(t) = 0$$

$$\Phi^{CD}(\mathbf{c}, i, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P, j, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_j^Q, f(t)) = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{d}_{ij} - f(t) = \mathbf{c}^T (\mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{A}_j \bar{\mathbf{s}}_j^Q - \mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{A}_i \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P) - f(t) = 0$$

### Intermediate GCons



- Two Intermediate GCons:
  - $\perp$ 1: a vector is perpendicular on a plane belonging to a different body
  - $\perp 2$ : a vector between two bodies is perpendicular to a plane belonging to the different body



# Intermediate GCon: ⊥1 (Perpendicular Type 1)

Geometrically, the motion is such that a vector c<sub>j</sub> on body j is perpendicular to a plane of body i that is defined by a<sub>i</sub> and b<sub>i</sub>



$$\mathbf{\Phi}^{\perp 1}(i, \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{b}}_i, j, \bar{\mathbf{c}}_j) = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi^{DP1}(i, \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i, j, \bar{\mathbf{c}}_j, 0) \\ \Phi^{DP1}(i, \bar{\mathbf{b}}_i, j, \bar{\mathbf{c}}_j, 0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{A}_j \bar{\mathbf{c}}_j \\ \bar{\mathbf{b}}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{A}_j \bar{\mathbf{c}}_j \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Intermediate GCon: ⊥2 (Perpendicular Type 2)

• Geometrically, a vector  $\overrightarrow{P_iQ_j}$  from body *i* to body *j* remains perpendicular to a plane defined by two vectors  $\vec{\mathbf{a}}_i$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{b}}_i$ 



$$\boldsymbol{\Phi}^{\perp 2}(i, \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{b}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P, j, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_j^Q) = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi^{DP2}(i, \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P, j, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_j^Q, 0) \\ \Phi^{DP2}(i, \bar{\mathbf{b}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P, j, \bar{\mathbf{s}}_j^Q, 0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{a}}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{d}_{ij} \\ \bar{\mathbf{b}}_i^T \mathbf{A}_i^T \mathbf{d}_{ij} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$



# High Level GCons

- High Level GCons also called joints:
  - Spherical Joint (SJ)
  - Universal Joint (UJ)
  - Cylindrical Joint (CJ)
  - Revolute Joint (RJ)
  - Translational Joint (TJ)
  - Other composite joints (spherical-spherical, translational-revolute, etc.)



#### High Level GCon: SJ [Spherical Joint]





#### High Level GCon: CJ [Cylindrical Joint]





# High Level GCon: TJ [Translational Joint]





#### High Level GCon: RJ [Revolute Joint]





#### High Level GCon: UJ [Universal Joint]





#### Connection Between Basic and Intermediate/High Level GCons



• Note that there are other GCons that are used, but they see less mileage

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### **Constraints Supported in Chrono**



#### New Topic: Formulating the Equations of Motion

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- Road map, full derivation of constrained equations of motion
  - Step 1: Introduce the types of force acting on one body present in a mechanical system
    - Distributed
    - Concentrated
  - Step 2: Express the virtual work produced by each of these forces acting on *one body*
  - Step 3: Evaluate the virtual work for the *entire mechanical system*
  - Step 4: Apply principle of virtual work (via D'Alembert's principle) to obtain the EOM

# Generic Forces/Torques Acting on a Mechanical System

- Distributed forces
  - Inertia forces
  - Volume/Mass distributed force (like gravity, electromagnetic, etc.)
  - Internal forces

- Concentrated forces/torques
  - Reaction forces/torques (induces by the presence of kinematic constraints)
  - Externally applied forces and torques (me pushing a cart)

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# Virtual Work for One Body, Side Trip



- Quick example below only shows virtual work produced by the **inertial force** 
  - Same recipe applied for all other forces, distributed or concentrated
- Starting point: consider point P of body i associated with infinitesimal mass element  $dm_i(P)$
- Expression of the force:

 $-\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i^P dm_i(P)$ 

• Virtual work produced:

$$[\delta \mathbf{r}_i^P]^T \cdot [-\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i^P \, dm_i(P)]$$

• Body virtual work obtained by summing over all points P of body i:

$$\delta \mathcal{W} = \int_{m_i} -[\delta \mathbf{r}_i^P]^T \cdot \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i^P \ dm_i(P)$$

• Upon expressing virtual displacement of P and its acceleration  $\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i^P$ :

$$\delta \mathcal{W} = \int_{m_i} [\delta \mathbf{r}_i^T + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_i^P \mathbf{A}_i^T] \cdot \left[ \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i + \mathbf{A}_i \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P + \mathbf{A}_i \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \bar{\mathbf{s}}_i^P \right] \ dm_i(P) = \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T m_i \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \left[ \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \bar{\omega}_i + \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \dot{\bar{\omega}}_i \right]$$

# Final Form, Expression of Virtual Work



• When all said and done, the expression of the virtual work assumes the form:

$$\begin{split} \delta \mathcal{W} &= \sum_{i=1}^{nb} \left[ -\delta \mathbf{r}_i^T m_i \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i - \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \bar{\omega}_i - \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \dot{\bar{\omega}}_i + \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \cdot \mathbf{F}_i^m + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \cdot \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^m \right. \\ &+ \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{F}_i^a + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^a + \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{F}_i^r + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^r \left. \right] = 0 \end{split}$$

• Alternatively,

$$\delta \mathcal{W} = \sum_{i=1}^{nb} \left[ \,\delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \left( -m_i \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i + \mathbf{F}_i^m + \mathbf{F}_i^a + \mathbf{F}_i^r \right) + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \left( -\tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \bar{\omega}_i - \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \dot{\bar{\omega}}_i + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^m + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^a + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^r \right) \right] = 0$$



# Moving from One Body to a Mechanical System

• Total virtual work, for the entire system, assumes the form:

$$\delta W = \sum_{i=1}^{nb} \left[ -\delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i m_i - \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \mathbf{\bar{J}}_i \bar{\omega}_i - \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \mathbf{\bar{J}}_i \dot{\bar{\omega}}_i + \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \cdot \mathbf{F}_i^m + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \cdot \mathbf{\bar{n}}_i^m \right]$$
$$+ \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{F}_i^a + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \mathbf{\bar{n}}_i^a + \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{F}_i^r + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \mathbf{\bar{n}}_i^r \right] = 0$$

• Alternatively,

$$\delta W = \sum_{i=1}^{nb} \left[ \delta \mathbf{r}_i^T \left( -\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i m_i + \mathbf{F}_i^m + \mathbf{F}_i^a + \mathbf{F}_i^r \right) + \delta \bar{\pi}_i^T \left( -\tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \bar{\omega}_i - \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \dot{\bar{\omega}}_i + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^m + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^a + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^r \right) \right] = 0$$

• Recall that for each body *i*, virtual translations  $\delta \mathbf{r}_i$  and virtual rotations  $\delta \bar{\pi}_i$  are arbitrary



# Equations of Motion (EOM) for A System of Rigid Bodies

• Since equation on previous slide should hold for any set of virtual displacements  $(\delta \mathbf{r}_1, \delta \bar{\pi}_1)$ ,  $(\delta \mathbf{r}_2, \delta \bar{\pi}_2), \ldots, (\delta \mathbf{r}_{nb}, \delta \bar{\pi}_{nb})$ , then we necessarily have that for  $i = 1, \ldots, nb$ :

$$-m_i \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i + \mathbf{F}_i^m + \mathbf{F}_i^a + \mathbf{F}_i^r = \mathbf{0}_3$$
$$-\tilde{\omega}_i \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \bar{\omega}_i - \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \dot{\bar{\omega}}_i + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^m + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^a + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^r = \mathbf{0}_3$$

• Equivalently, for  $i = 1, \ldots, nb$ 

$$m_i \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i = \mathbf{F}_i^m + \mathbf{F}_i^a + \mathbf{F}_i^r$$
$$\bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \dot{\bar{\omega}}_i = \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^m + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^a + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^r - \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_i \bar{\mathbf{J}}_i \bar{\omega}_i$$

• The set of equations above represent the EOM for the system of nb rigid bodies.

# The Joints (Kinematic Constraints) Lead to Reaction Forces

• The collection of all *nc* kinematic and driving constraints – stack them together:

$$\mathbf{\Phi}(\mathbf{q},t) = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{\Phi}^{K}(\mathbf{q}) \\ \mathbf{\Phi}^{D}(\mathbf{q},t) \end{array} \right] = \mathbf{0}_{nc}$$

- Recall that any one of the constraints in  $\Phi$  is one of the four basic GCons introduced earlier
- The variation of  $\Phi$ : stack together the variation of each of the GCons that enters in  $\Phi$
- A virtual displacement of the bodies in the system will lead to a virtual variation  $\delta \Phi$  that depends on the position and orientation of the bodies:

$$\delta \mathbf{\Phi} = \mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathbf{r}} \delta \mathbf{r} + \bar{\mathbf{\Pi}}(\mathbf{\Phi}) \delta \bar{\pi} = \mathbf{0}_{nc}$$

• In matrix form, we can express the above relations as

$$\delta \mathbf{\Phi}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathbf{r}} & \bar{\mathbf{\Pi}}(\mathbf{\Phi}) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \delta \mathbf{r} \\ \delta \bar{\pi} \end{bmatrix} = \bar{\mathbf{R}}(\mathbf{\Phi}) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \delta \mathbf{r} \\ \delta \bar{\pi} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}_{nc}$$

•  $\Phi_{\mathbf{r}}$  and  $\overline{\mathbf{\Pi}}(\Phi)$ : the key ingredients needed to express the reaction forces induced by the constraints  $\Phi(\mathbf{q},t) = \mathbf{0}_{nc}$ 

# Switching to Matrix-Vector Notation



- Notation used to simplify expression of EOM:
  - **I**<sub>3</sub> is the identity matrix of dimension 3
  - $\mathbf{F}_{i}^{a}$  and  $\mathbf{F}_{i}^{m}$  applied and mass-distributed force, body i
  - $\bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^a$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{n}}_i^m$  applied and mass-distributed torque, body i
  - $-m_i$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{J}}_i$  mass and mass moment of inertia, body i
- Matrix-vector notation:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \mathbf{I}_3 & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & \dots & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & m_2 \mathbf{I}_3 & \dots & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & \dots & m_{nb} \mathbf{I}_3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \bar{\mathbf{J}} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{J}}_1 & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & \dots & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & \bar{\mathbf{J}}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} & \dots & \bar{\mathbf{J}}_{nb} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{r}} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_{nb} \end{bmatrix}_{3nb} \qquad \dot{\bar{\omega}} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\bar{\omega}}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{\bar{\omega}}_{nb} \end{bmatrix}_{3nb} \qquad \mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_1^a + \mathbf{F}_1^m \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{F}_{nb}^a + \mathbf{F}_{nb}^m \end{bmatrix}_{3nb} \qquad \tau = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{n}}_1^a + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_1^m - \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_1 \bar{\mathbf{J}}_1 \bar{\omega}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{\mathbf{n}}_{nb}^a + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_{nb}^m - \tilde{\bar{\omega}}_{nb} \bar{\mathbf{J}}_{nb} \bar{\omega}_{nb} \end{bmatrix}_{3nb}$$



# EOM: the Newton-Euler Form

• According to Lagrange Multiplier theorem, there exists a vector of Lagrange Multipliers,  $\lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_{nc} \end{bmatrix}$ , so that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{r}} - \mathbf{F} \\ \bar{\mathbf{J}}\dot{\bar{\omega}} - \tau \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathbf{r}}^T \\ \bar{\mathbf{\Pi}}^T(\mathbf{\Phi}) \end{bmatrix} \lambda = \mathbf{0}_{6nb}$$

• Expression above: Newton-Euler form of the EOM. Equivalently expressed as:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{\Phi}_{\mathbf{r}}^T \lambda = \mathbf{F} \\ \bar{\mathbf{J}}\dot{\bar{\omega}} + \bar{\mathbf{\Pi}}^T(\mathbf{\Phi})\lambda = \tau \end{cases}$$