

Path-following funnel control for rigid-link revolute-joint robotic systems

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Position control of industrial robots



Kuka KR 150-2 (Serie 2000)
(<http://www.kuka-robotics.com>)

Applications

- (spot-)welding
- painting/enameling
- mounting/assembling
- laser-beam cutting
- ...

Goals:

- precise position control (of end effector), i.e. for given $\lambda > 0$:

$$\forall t \geq t_0: \quad \|e_E(t)\| = \|\mathbf{y}_{\text{ref},E}(t) - \mathbf{y}_E(t)\| \leq \lambda.$$

- controller: simple and easy to tune

Rigid robotic manipulator with n revolute joints

Robot model (in joint space)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} M(\mathbf{y}(t))\ddot{\mathbf{y}}(t) + C(\mathbf{y}(t), \dot{\mathbf{y}}(t))\dot{\mathbf{y}}(t) + (\mathfrak{F}\dot{\mathbf{y}})(t) + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y}(t)) + \mathbf{d}(t) &= \mathbf{u}(t), \\ (\mathbf{y}(0), \dot{\mathbf{y}}(0))^{\top} &= (\mathbf{y}_0, \mathbf{y}_1)^{\top} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (\text{RO})$$

■ standard assumptions

- $\exists \bar{c}_M, \underline{c}_M > 0 \forall \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n : 0 < \underline{c}_M \mathbf{I}_n \leq M(\mathbf{y}) = M(\mathbf{y})^{\top} \leq \bar{c}_M \mathbf{I}_n$
- $\exists c_C > 0 \forall \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|C(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v})\mathbf{v}\| \leq c_C \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$
- $\mathfrak{F} : \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{loc}}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R})$ (causal friction operator)
- $\exists c_g > 0 \forall \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y})\| \leq c_g$
- $\mathbf{d}(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}^n)$ (disturbance)
- $\mathbf{u}(\cdot) \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}^n)$ (control input)
- feedback signals: $\mathbf{y}(\cdot)$ and $\dot{\mathbf{y}}(\cdot)$

■ $\implies$ 'structural properties'

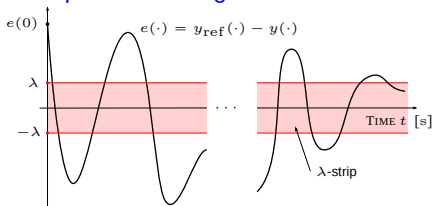
- (strict) relative degree $r = 2$
- positive (definite) high-frequency gain
- no internal dynamics (minimum-phase)
- derivative feedback admissible

High-gain adaptive control

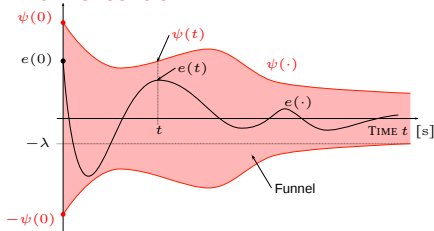
Promising advantages

- 'structural system knowledge' sufficient (robustness)
 - known relative degree $r \geq 1$
 - positive high-frequency gain (or known sign)
 - minimum-phase
- high feedback gains reduce 'stick-slip'
- reference tracking with
 - 'prescribed asymptotic accuracy' (see e.g. [1, 2]) and
 - 'prescribed transient accuracy' (see e.g. [3–5])

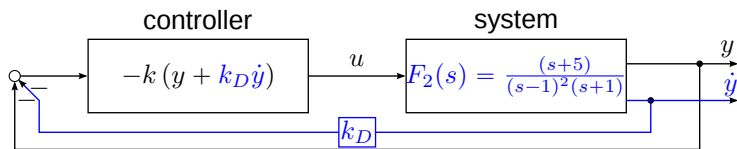
Adaptive λ -tracking control



Funnel control



Relative degree two, high gains & derivative feedback

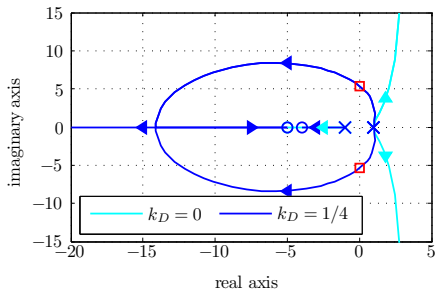


'Structural properties' of $F_2(s)$

- relative degree (pole excess):
 $r = 2$
- positive high-frequency gain
($\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^2 F_2(s) = 1$)
- minimum-phase
(Hurwitz numerator)

$\exists k^* > 0$, such that closed-loop is stable for $k_D > 0$ and all $k > k^*$

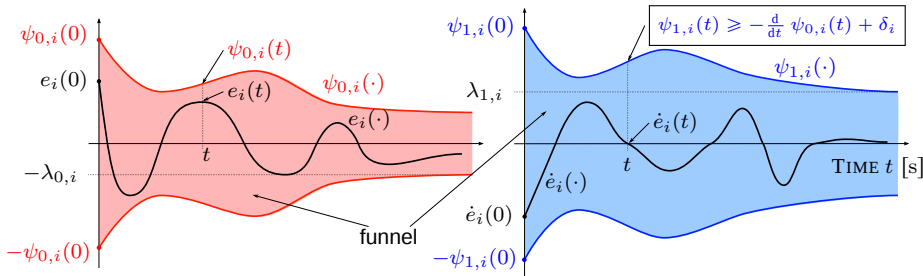
Root locus ($\times$ pole, $\circ$ zero)



Control objective

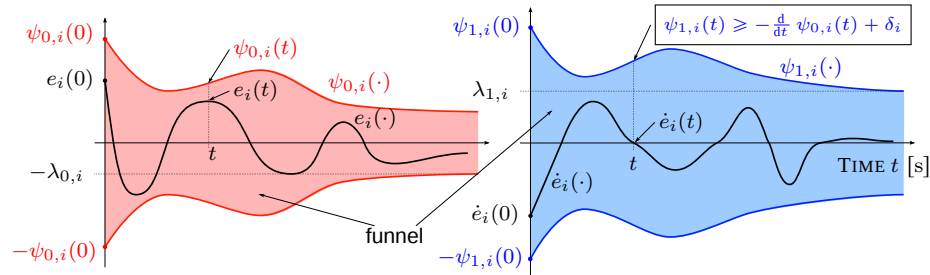
- reference tracking with '**prescribed transient accuracy**' for **each joint** $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$:

$$\forall t \geq 0: \quad |e_i(t)| = |y_{\text{ref},i}(t) - y_i(t)| < \psi_{0,i}(t) \quad \text{and} \quad |\dot{e}_i(t)| < \psi_{1,i}(t)$$



- joint reference $y_{\text{ref},i}(\cdot) \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R})$, $y_{\text{ref},i}(\cdot), \dot{y}_{\text{ref},i}(\cdot), \ddot{y}_{\text{ref},i}(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R})$
- joint funnel boundary $(\psi_{0,i}(\cdot), \psi_{1,i}(\cdot)) \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; [\lambda, \infty)^2)$, $\lambda > 0$

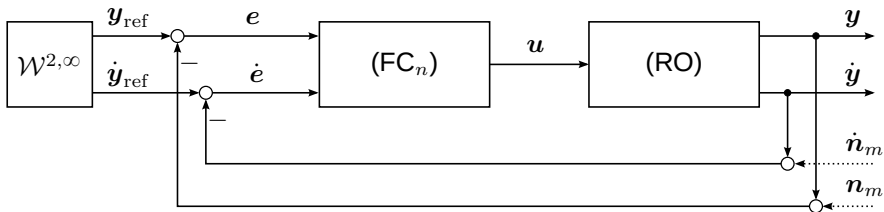
MIMO funnel controller (extension of [6, 7])



$$\mathbf{u}(t) = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{y}(t)) \left(\underbrace{\mathbf{K}_0(t)^2 \mathbf{e}(t)}_{\mathbf{P}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{K}_0(t) \mathbf{K}_1(t) \dot{\mathbf{e}}(t)}_{\mathbf{D}} \right) \quad (\text{FC}_n)$$

- $\mathbf{e}(t) = (e_1(t), \dots, e_n(t))^T = (y_{\text{ref},1}(t) - y_1(t), \dots, y_{\text{ref},n}(t) - y_n(t))^T$
- $\mathbf{K}_0(t) = \text{diag} \{k_{0,1}(t), \dots, k_{0,n}(t)\}$ & $\mathbf{K}_1(t) = \text{diag} \{k_{1,1}(t), \dots, k_{1,n}(t)\}$
- $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}: \quad k_{0,i}(t) = \frac{1}{\psi_{0,i}(t) - |e_i(t)|} \quad \text{and} \quad k_{1,i}(t) = \frac{1}{\psi_{1,i}(t) - |\dot{e}_i(t)|}$

Properties of closed-loop system [8, Theorem 3.1]

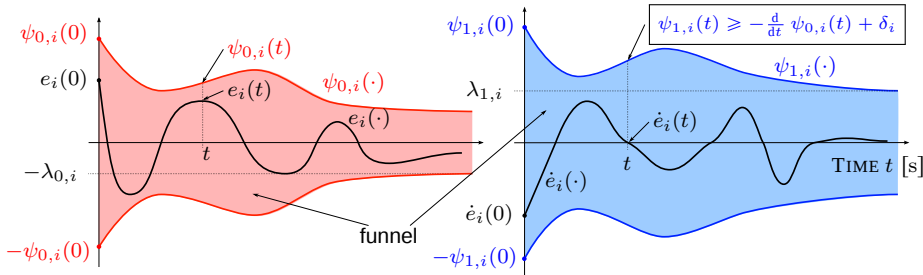


- (RO): $M(\mathbf{y}(t))\ddot{\mathbf{y}}(t) + \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{y}(t), \dot{\mathbf{y}}(t))\dot{\mathbf{y}}(t) + (\mathfrak{F}\dot{\mathbf{y}})(t) + \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{y}(t)) + \mathbf{d}(t) = \mathbf{u}(t)$
- (FC_n): $\mathbf{u}(t) = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{y}(t)) (\mathbf{K}_0(t)^2 \mathbf{e}(t) + \mathbf{K}_0(t) \mathbf{K}_1(t) \dot{\mathbf{e}}(t))$
- For **known** $M(\mathbf{y})$:
 - $\mathbf{n}_m(\cdot) \in \mathcal{W}^{2,\infty}(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}^n)$ (measurement errors/noise admissible)
 - $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \exists \varepsilon_i > 0 \forall t \geq 0: \psi_{0,i}(t) - |e_i(t)| \geq \varepsilon_i$ and $\psi_{1,i}(t) - |\dot{e}_i(t)| \geq \varepsilon_i$
 - $\mathbf{K}_0(\cdot), \mathbf{K}_1(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n)$
 - $\mathbf{u}(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}^n)$

Control objective

- **path-following** with ‘prescribed transient accuracy’ for each joint
 $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$:

$$\forall t \geq 0: \quad |e_i(t)| = |p_i(\theta(t)) - y_i(t)| < \psi_{0,i}(t) \quad \text{and} \quad |\dot{e}_i(t)| < \psi_{1,i}(t)$$

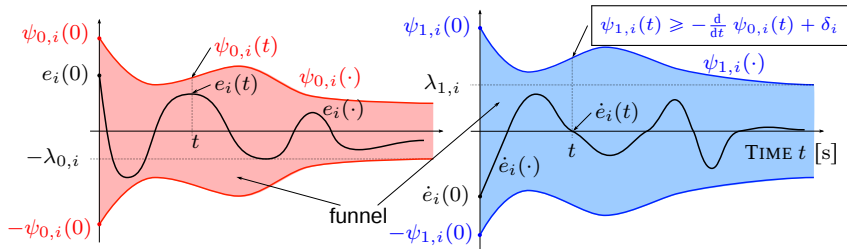


- path: $p(\cdot) \in \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $p(\cdot), \frac{d}{d\theta} p(\cdot), \frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} p(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R}^n)$
- timing dynamics with virtual input v :

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \theta(t) = v(t), \quad (\theta(0), \dot{\theta}(0))^T = (\theta_0, \theta_1)^T \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

(TD)

MIMO path-following funnel controller



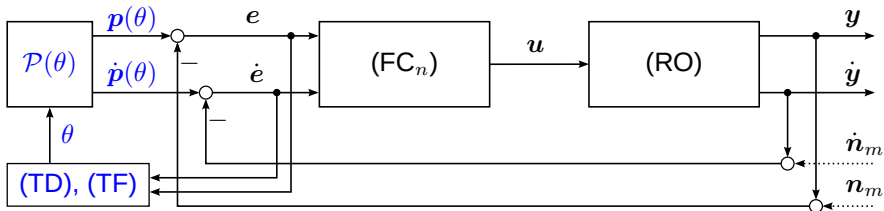
■ funnel controller

$$u(t) = M(y(t)) \left(\underbrace{K_0(t)^2 e(t)}_{\mathbf{P}} + \underbrace{K_0(t) K_1(t) \dot{e}(t)}_{\mathbf{D}} \right) \quad (\text{FC}_n)$$

■ timing feedback (virtual input v)

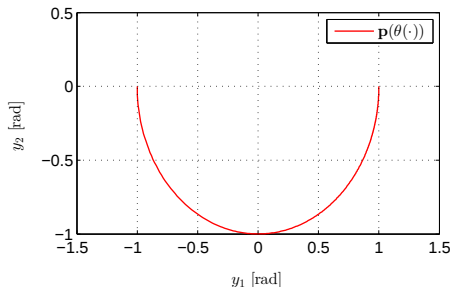
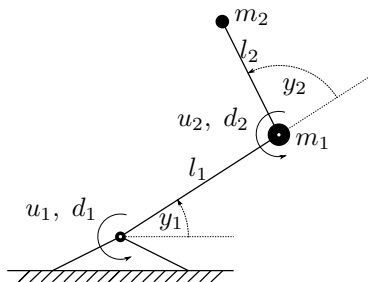
$$v(t) = -\kappa(e(t), \dot{e}(t))^\top \begin{pmatrix} \theta(t) \\ \dot{\theta}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \kappa(\cdot, \cdot) = \begin{pmatrix} \kappa_1(\cdot, \cdot) \\ \kappa_2(\cdot, \cdot) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^2) \quad (\text{TF})$$

Properties of closed-loop system [Theorem 2]



- (RO): $M(y(t))\ddot{y}(t) + C(y(t), \dot{y}(t))\dot{y}(t) + (\mathfrak{F}\dot{y})(t) + g(y(t)) + d(t) = u(t)$
- (FC_n): $u(t) = M(y(t)) (K_0(t)^2 e(t) + K_0(t)K_1(t)\dot{e}(t))$
- (TD), (TF): $\ddot{\theta}(t) = -\kappa(e(t), \dot{e}(t))^T \begin{pmatrix} \theta(t) \\ \dot{\theta}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \kappa(\cdot, \cdot) \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^2)$
- For known $M(y)$ and $\exists 0 < \underline{\kappa} \leq \bar{\kappa}$: $\underline{\kappa} \leq \kappa_1(\alpha, \beta) \leq \kappa_2(\alpha, \beta) \leq \bar{\kappa}$ and $1 + \underline{\kappa} \leq \kappa_2(\alpha, \beta)$ for all $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ then
 - $n_m(\cdot) \in \mathcal{W}^{2,\infty}(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}^n)$ (measurement errors admissible)
 - $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \exists \varepsilon_i > 0 \forall t \geq 0: \psi_{0,i}(t) - |e_i(t)| \geq \varepsilon_i$ and $\psi_{1,i}(t) - |\dot{e}_i(t)| \geq \varepsilon_i$
 - $K_0(\cdot), K_1(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n)$ and $u(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}; \mathbb{R}^n)$
 - $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \theta(t) = 0$ (timing dynamics are asymptotically stable [9, Thm. 2.15])

Example: Planar robot and path

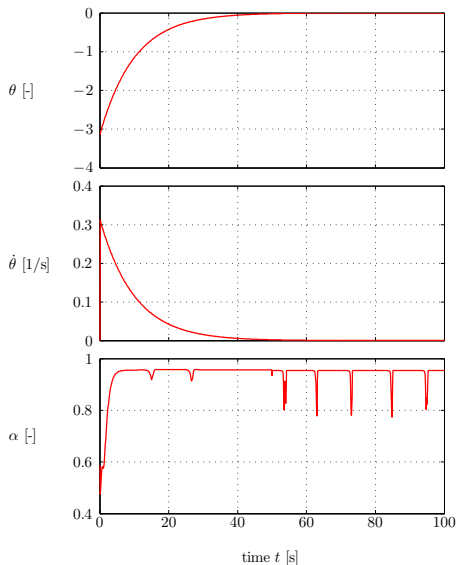
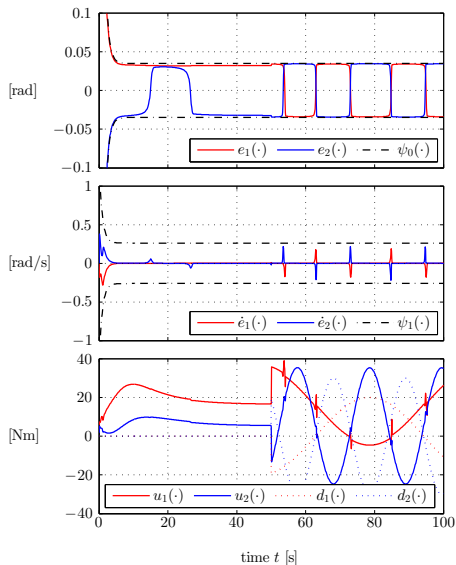


$$\blacksquare \quad \mathbf{u}(t) = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{y}(t)) \left(\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} k_{0,1}(t)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & k_{0,2}(t)^2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}} \mathbf{e}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} k_{0,1}(t)k_{1,1}(t) & 0 \\ 0 & k_{0,2}(t)k_{1,2}(t) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{D}} \dot{\mathbf{e}}(t) \right)$$

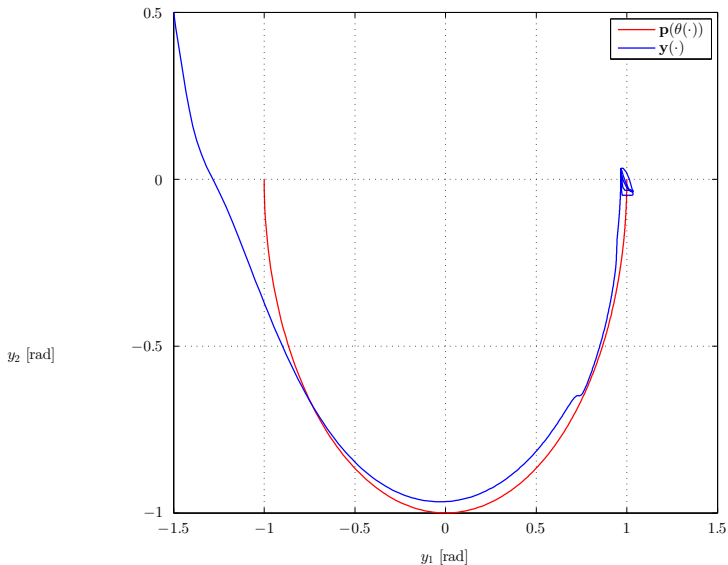
$$\blacksquare \quad \mathbf{v}(t) = -\alpha(\mathbf{e}(t), \dot{\mathbf{e}}(t)) \boldsymbol{\kappa}^\top \begin{pmatrix} \theta(t) \\ \dot{\theta}(t) \end{pmatrix} \text{ with } \boldsymbol{\kappa} = (10, 100)^\top \text{ and}$$

$$0 < \alpha_{\min} \leq \alpha(\mathbf{e}, \dot{\mathbf{e}}) = \frac{\alpha_{\max} + \alpha_{\min} (\|\mathbf{e}\| + \|\dot{\mathbf{e}}\|)}{\|\mathbf{e}\| + \|\dot{\mathbf{e}}\| + 1} \leq \alpha_{\max}$$

Simulation results: Errors, control & timing dynamics



Simulation results: Path and trajectory



Summary and future work

To take home:

- position funnel control: simple but time-varying PD-controller
- measurement noise admissible
- **no** compensation of
 - friction
 - disturbances (unknown but bounded)
 - Coriolis and/or gravity effects
- however: inertia matrix must be **known**
- path-following funnel control with prescribed path accuracy
- timing dynamics with virtual input (one degree of freedom more)

Open questions

- derivation of feasibility condition (actuator saturation)?
- utilization of timing dynamics to assure feasible control actions?
- parametrization of funnel boundary by timing variables?
- path-following in finite time?

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