

Torque based whole body motion control for humanoid robots

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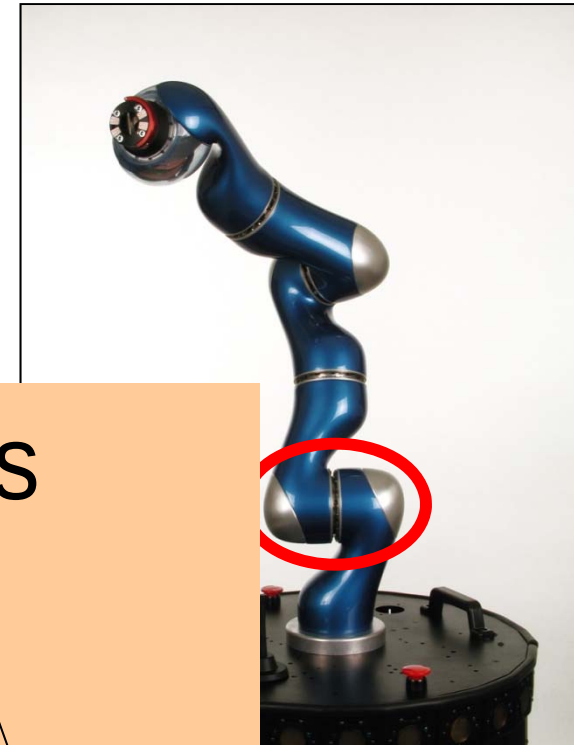
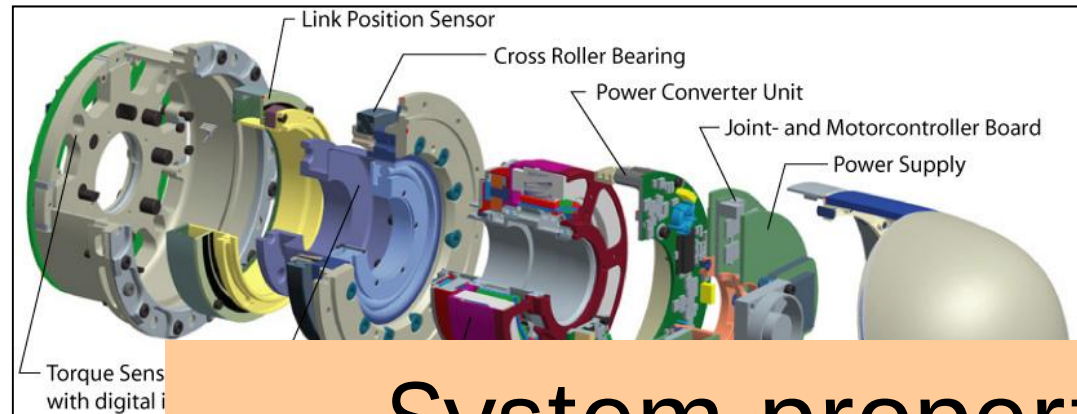


Overview

- 1) Control of Robots with Flexible Joints
- 2) Multi-task compliance control
- 3) Extension to legged robots
- 4) Summary



Robot Model with Torque Sensors

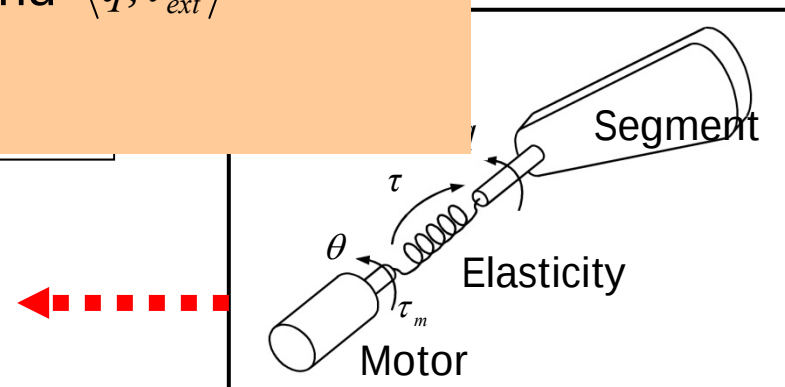


System properties

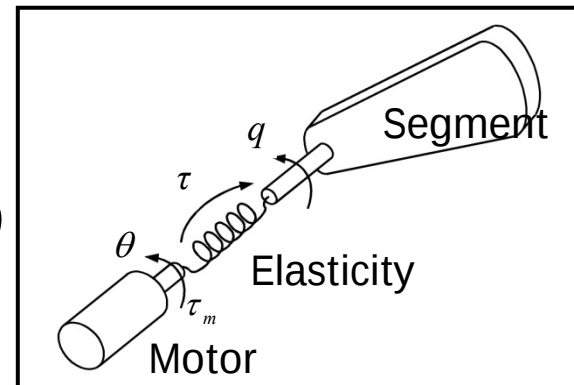
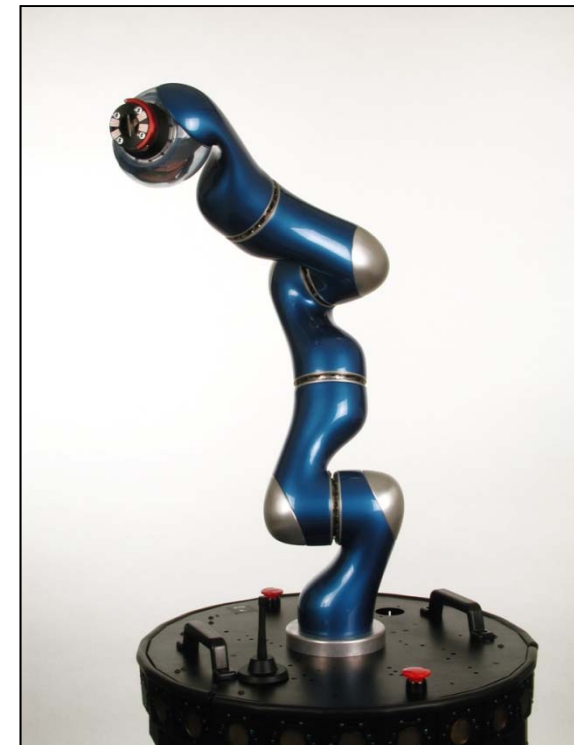
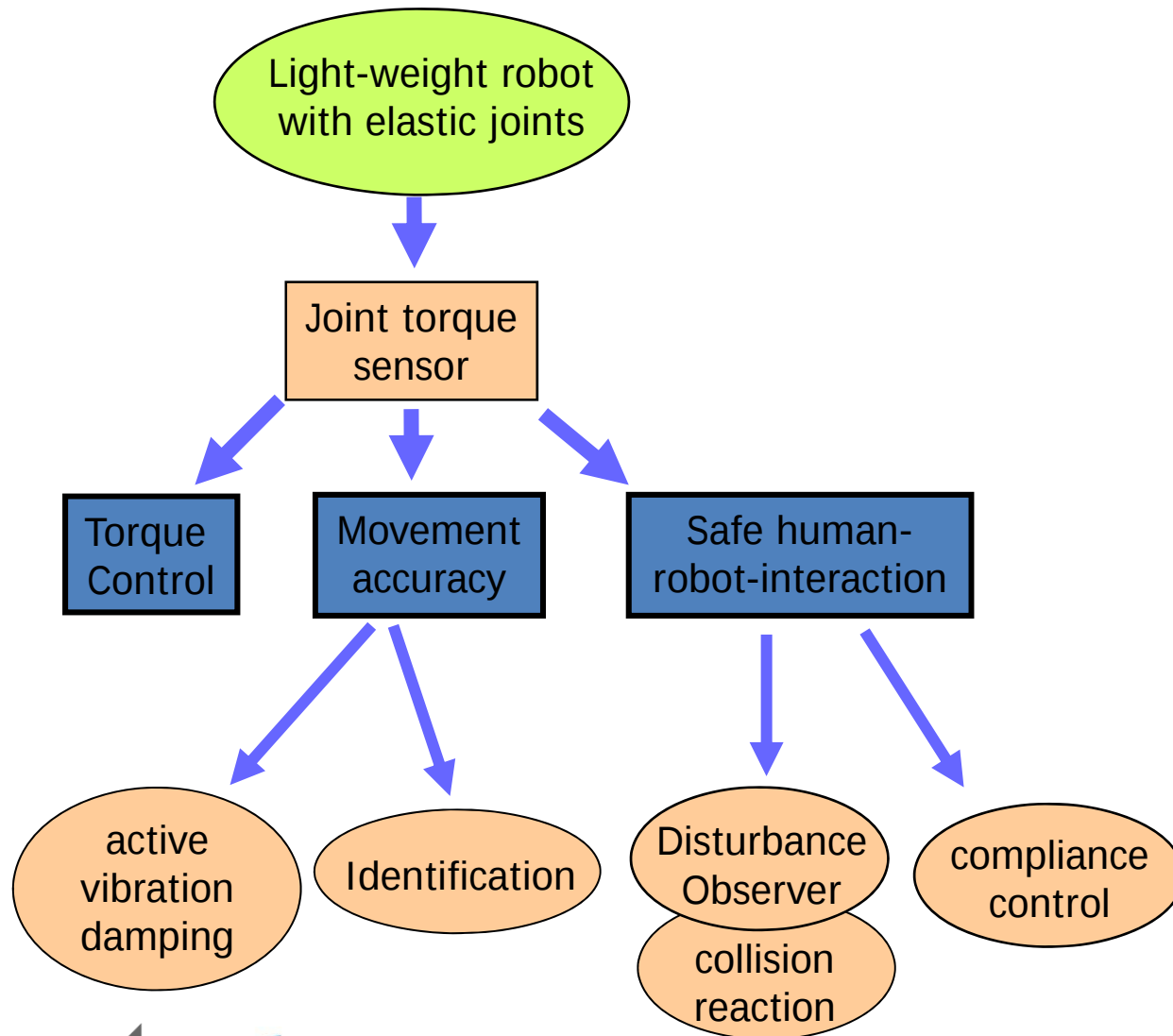
- underactuated
- flat model output: q
- passive w.r.t. $\langle \dot{\theta}, \tau_m \rangle$ and $\langle \dot{q}, \tau_{ext} \rangle$

$$M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) = \overbrace{K(\theta - q)}^{\tau} + \tau_{ext}$$

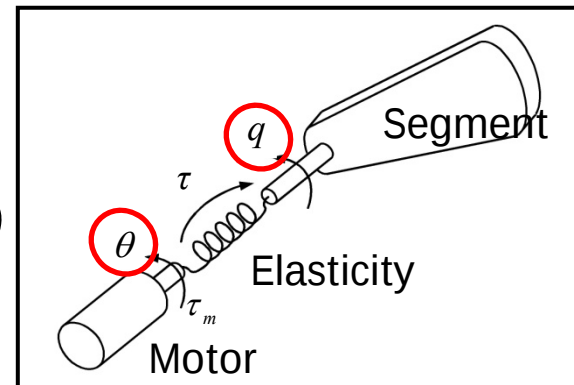
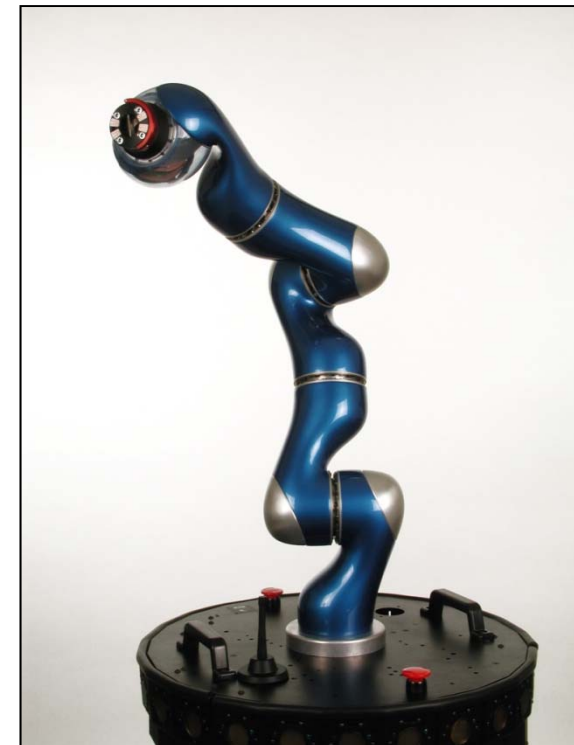
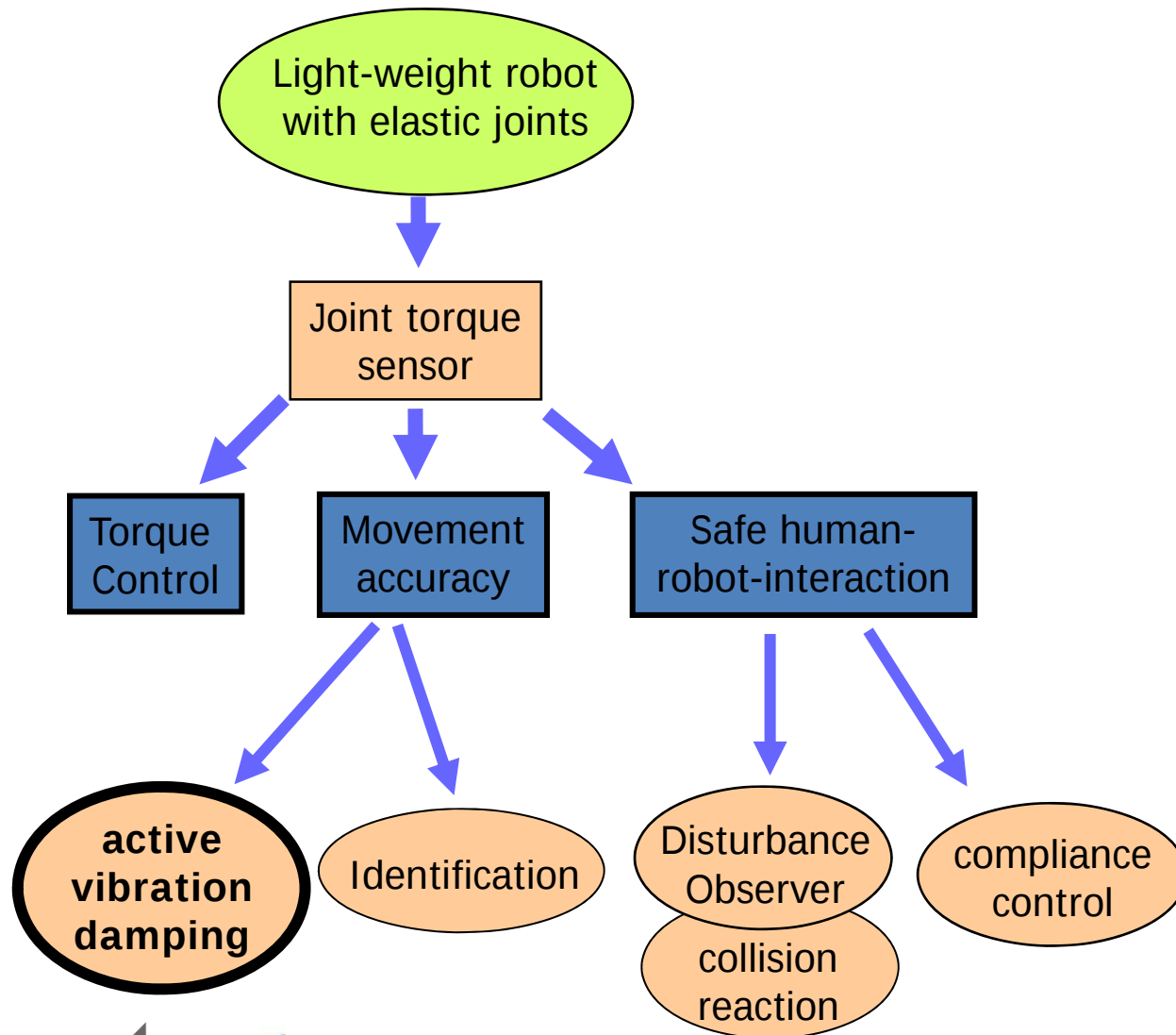
$$B\ddot{\theta} + K(\theta - q) = \tau_m$$



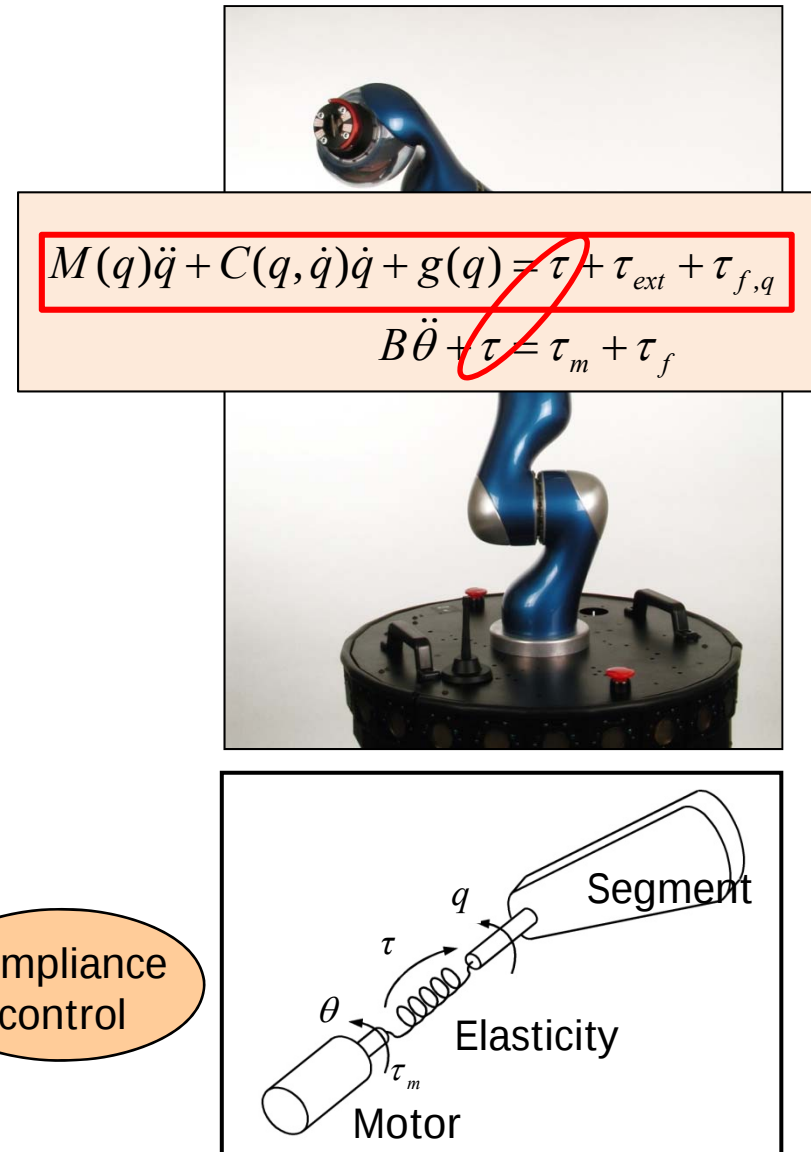
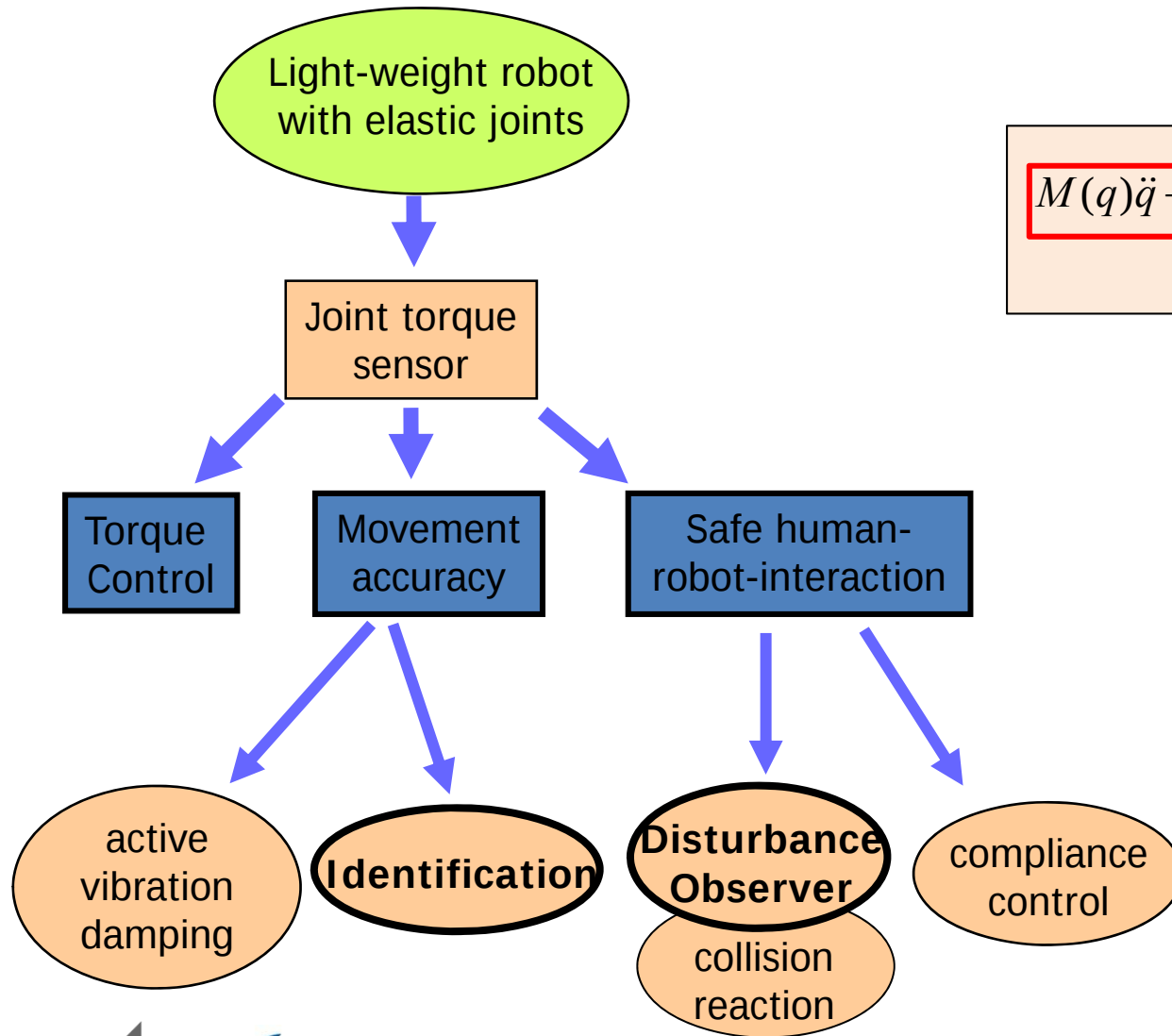
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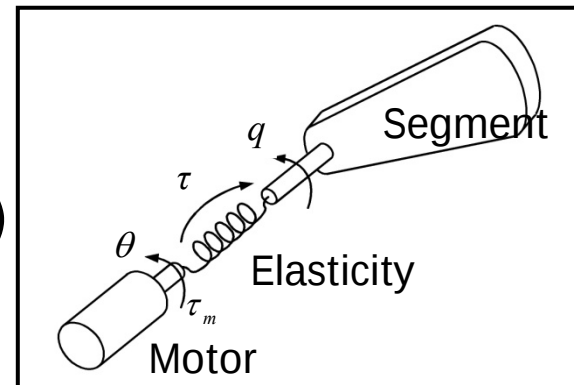
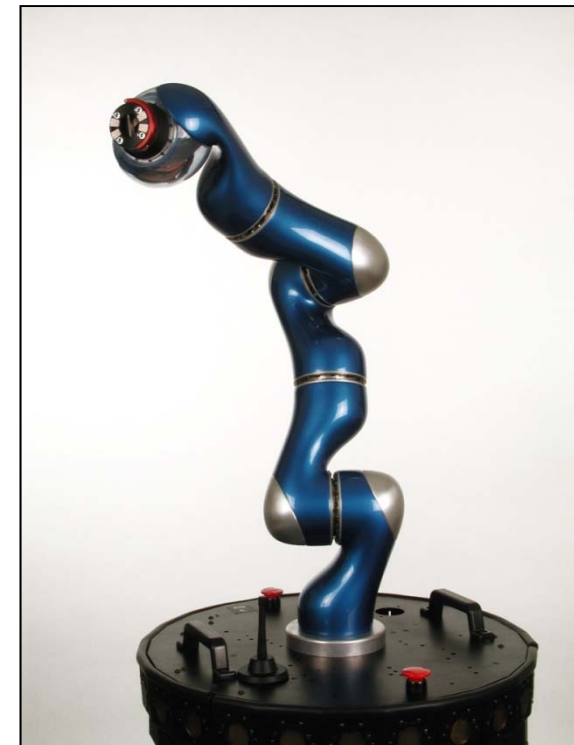
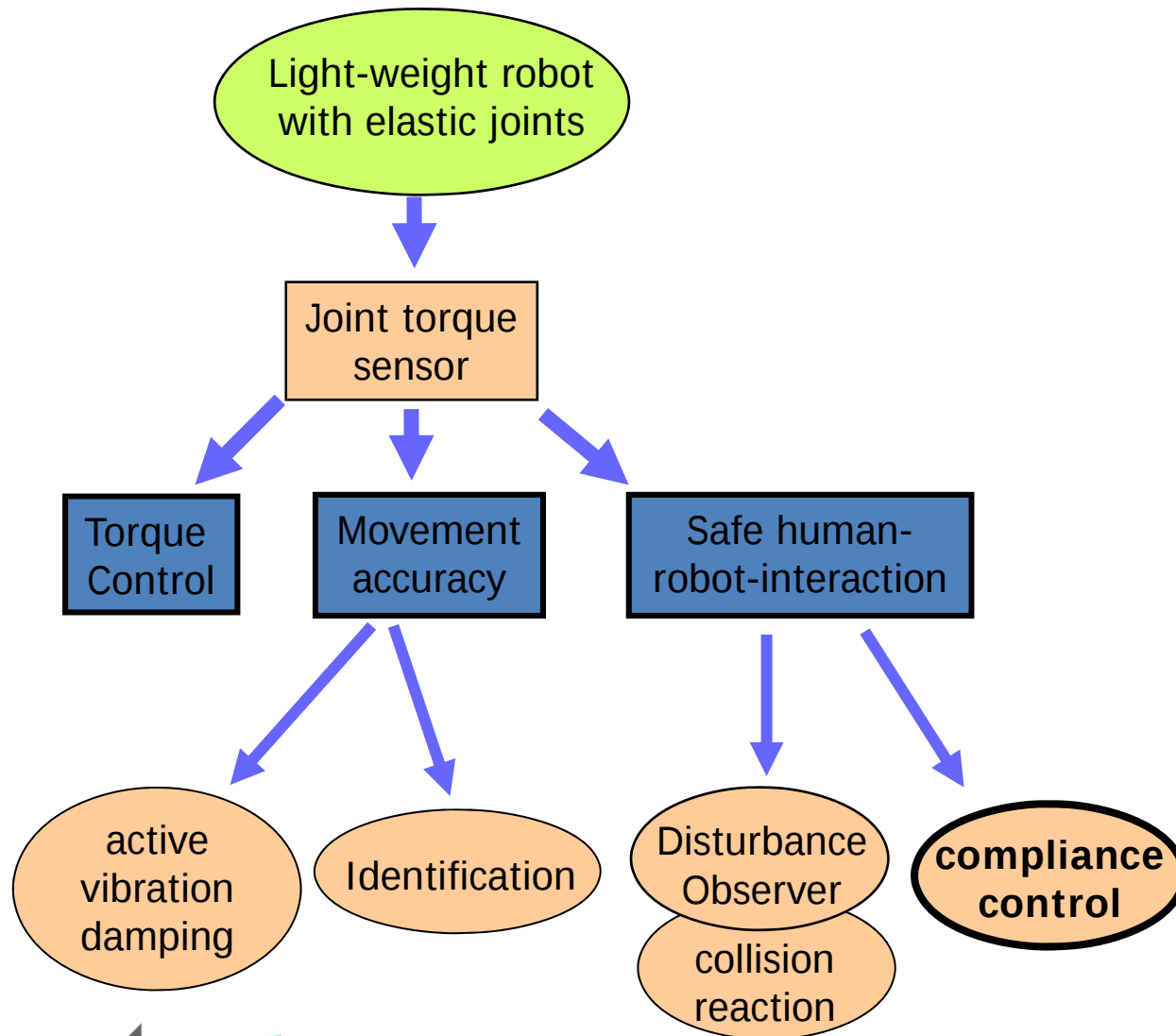


$$M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) = \tau + \tau_{ext} + \tau_{f,q}$$

$$B\ddot{\theta} + \tau = \tau_m + \tau_f$$



Advantages of Torque Sensing



Compliance Control (rigid body case)

Robot Dynamics $M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) = \tau + \tau_{\text{ext}} \quad q \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Task Space

$$x = f(q) \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\dot{x} = J(q)\dot{q}$$

Control Goal (Compliance)

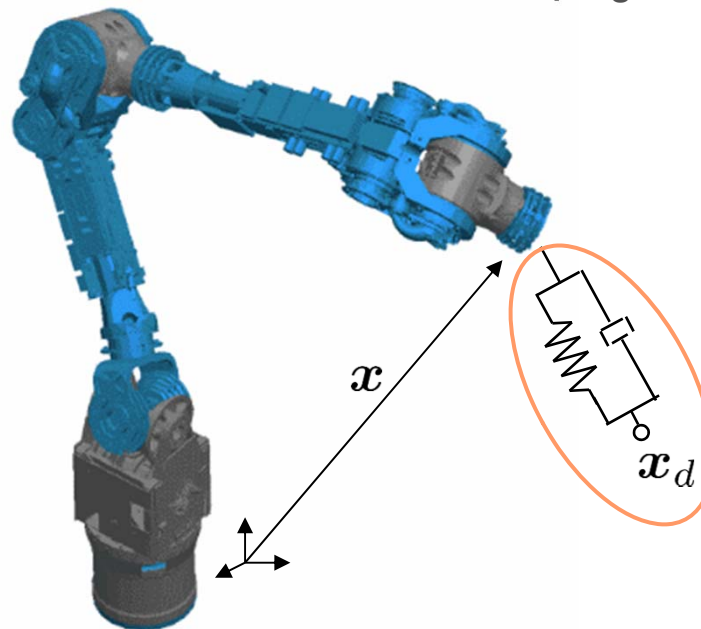
- Desired configuration x_d

- Stiffness

$$K_d \rightarrow V(\tilde{x})$$

- Damping

$$D_d \quad \tilde{x} = x - x_d$$



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Inverse dynamics based control

$$\begin{aligned} \tau = & g(q) + J(q)^T h(q, \dot{q}) \\ & + J(q)^T \Lambda(q) \Lambda_d^{-1} (K_d(x_d - x) - D_d \dot{x}) \\ & + J(q)^T (\Lambda(q) \Lambda_d^{-1} - I) F_{\text{ext}} \end{aligned}$$

1. Exact dynamical decoupling
2. Requires external forces
3. No passive feedback

Compliance control

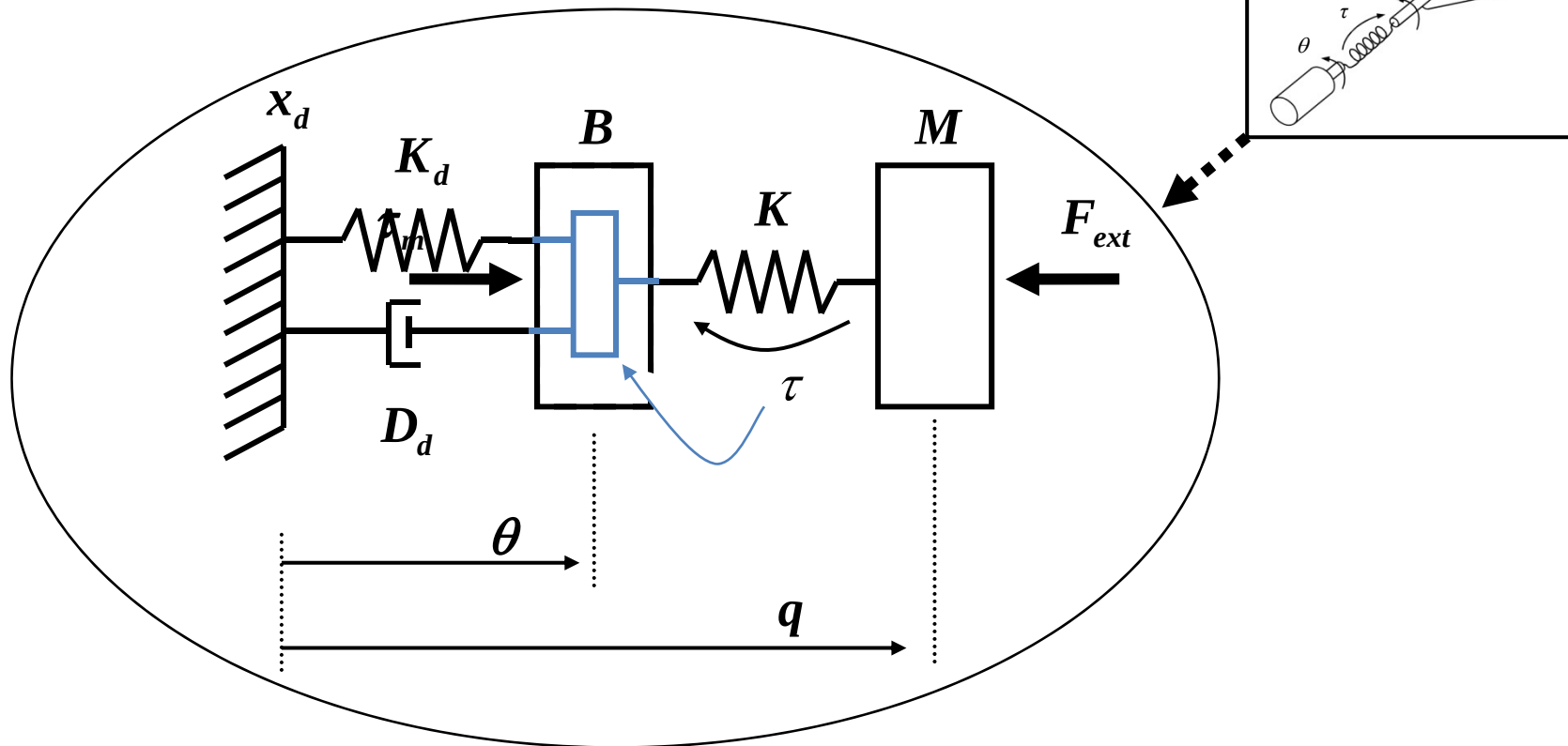
$$\tau = g(q) + J(q)^T (K_d(x_d - x) - D_d \dot{x})$$

1. No inertia shaping → No feedback of external forces!
2. No cancellation of Coriolis terms
→ Passivity!
→ Physical interaction



Compliance control of elastic robots: basic idea

Consider a single elastic joint:



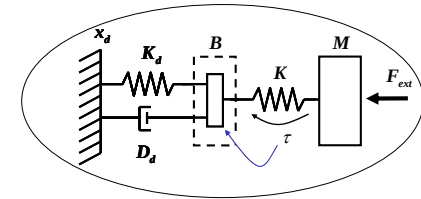
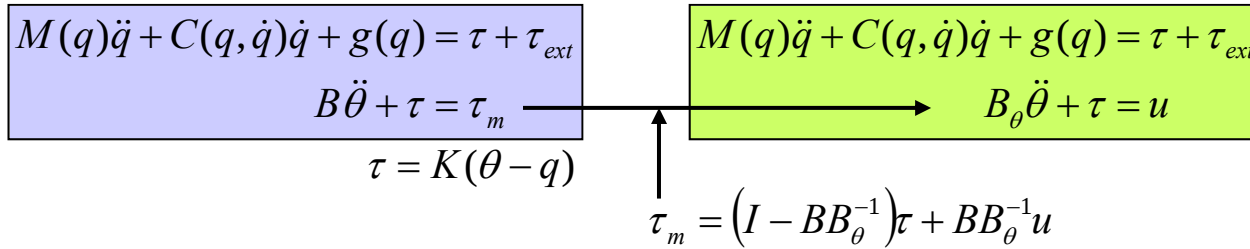
Ideally: $B \rightarrow 0$ and $K \rightarrow \infty$

Proportional feedback of the joint torque $\Leftrightarrow$ Reduction of the motor inertia

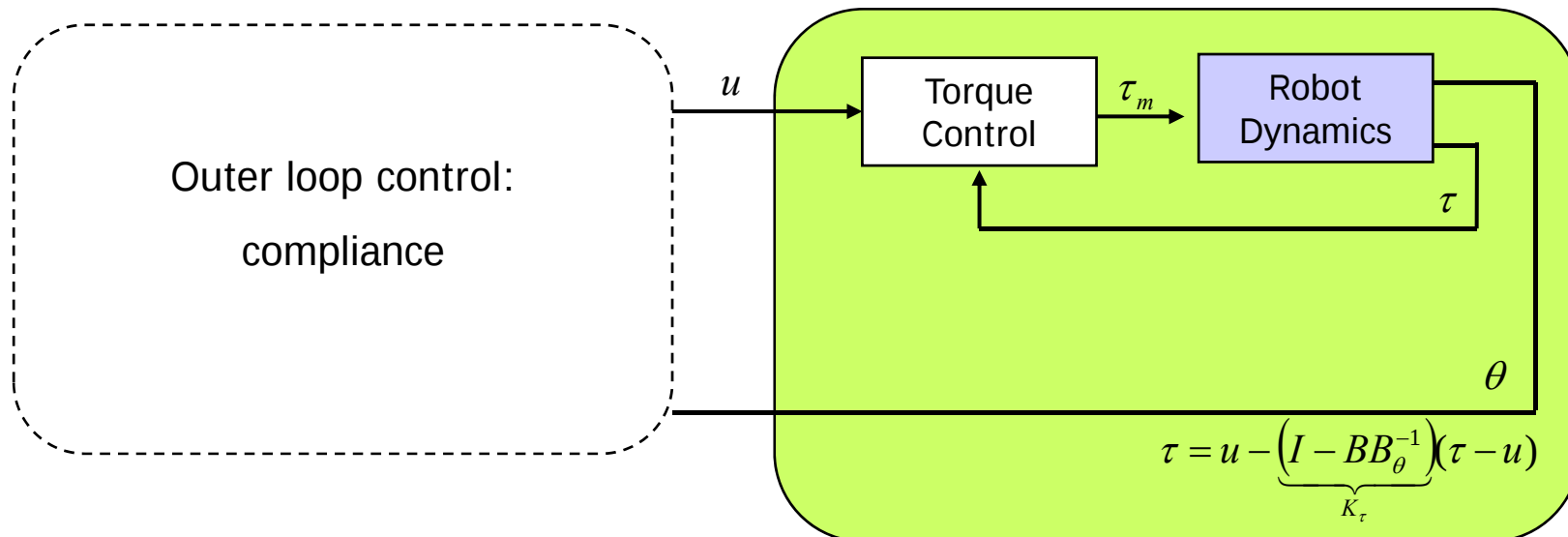
Physical interpretation of torque control!
 $\rightarrow$ Allows for a passivity based analysis

Generalization to multi-body model

Inner loop control

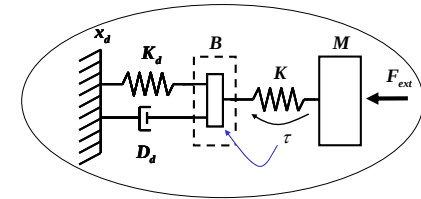
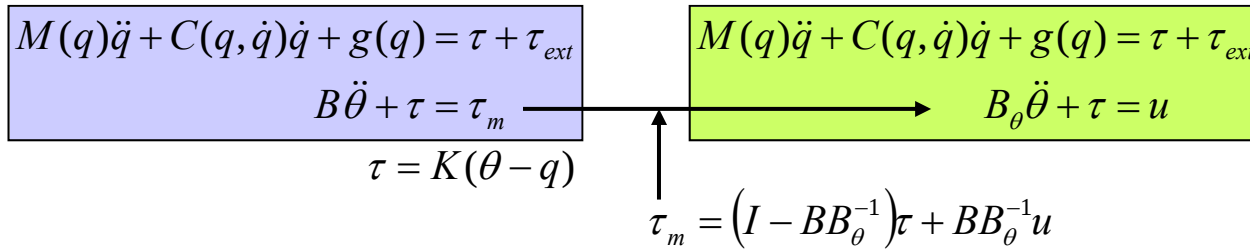


Outer loop control for Cartesian compliance:

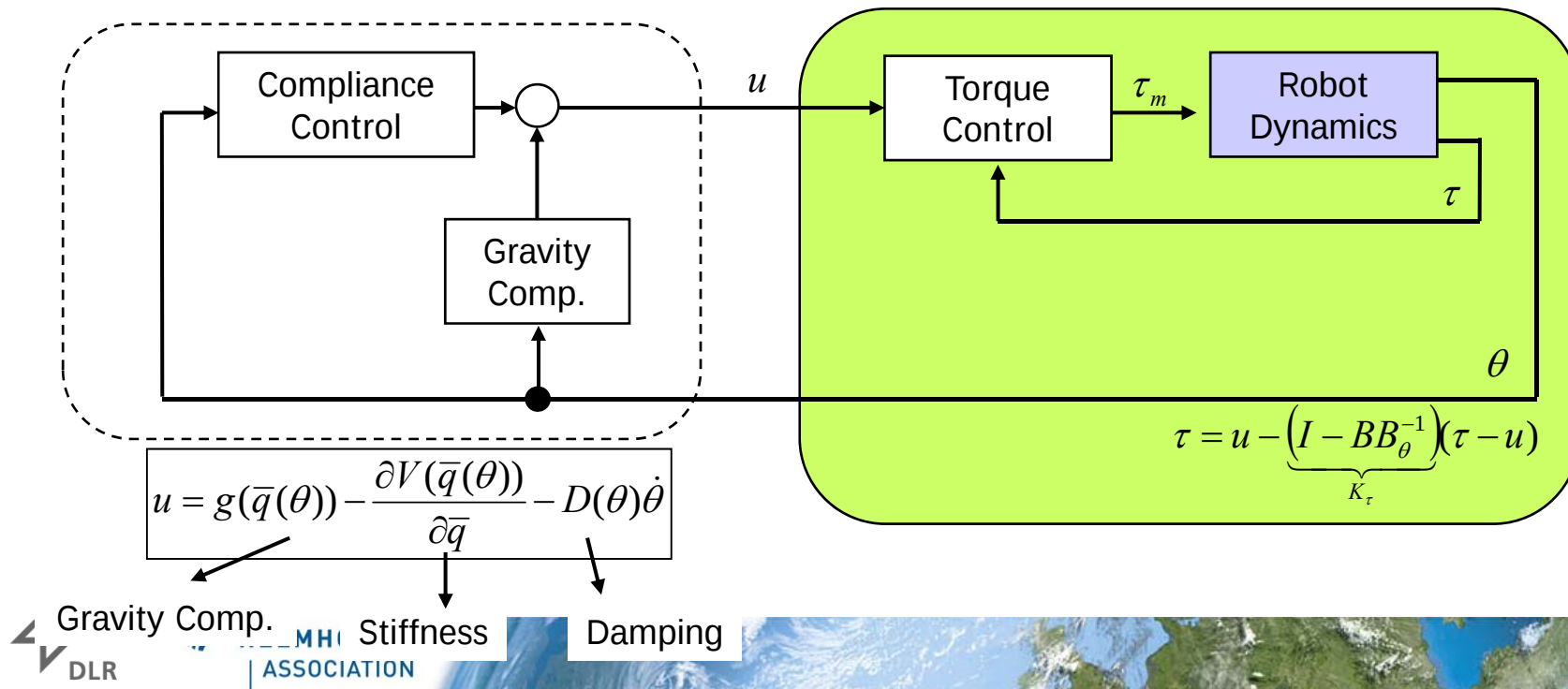


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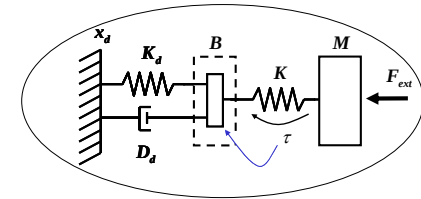
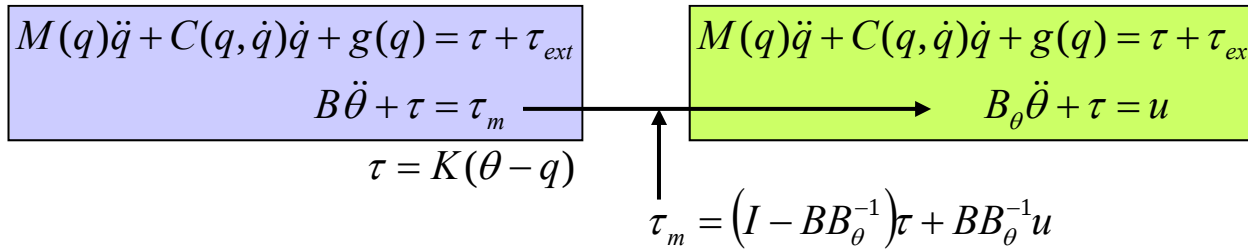


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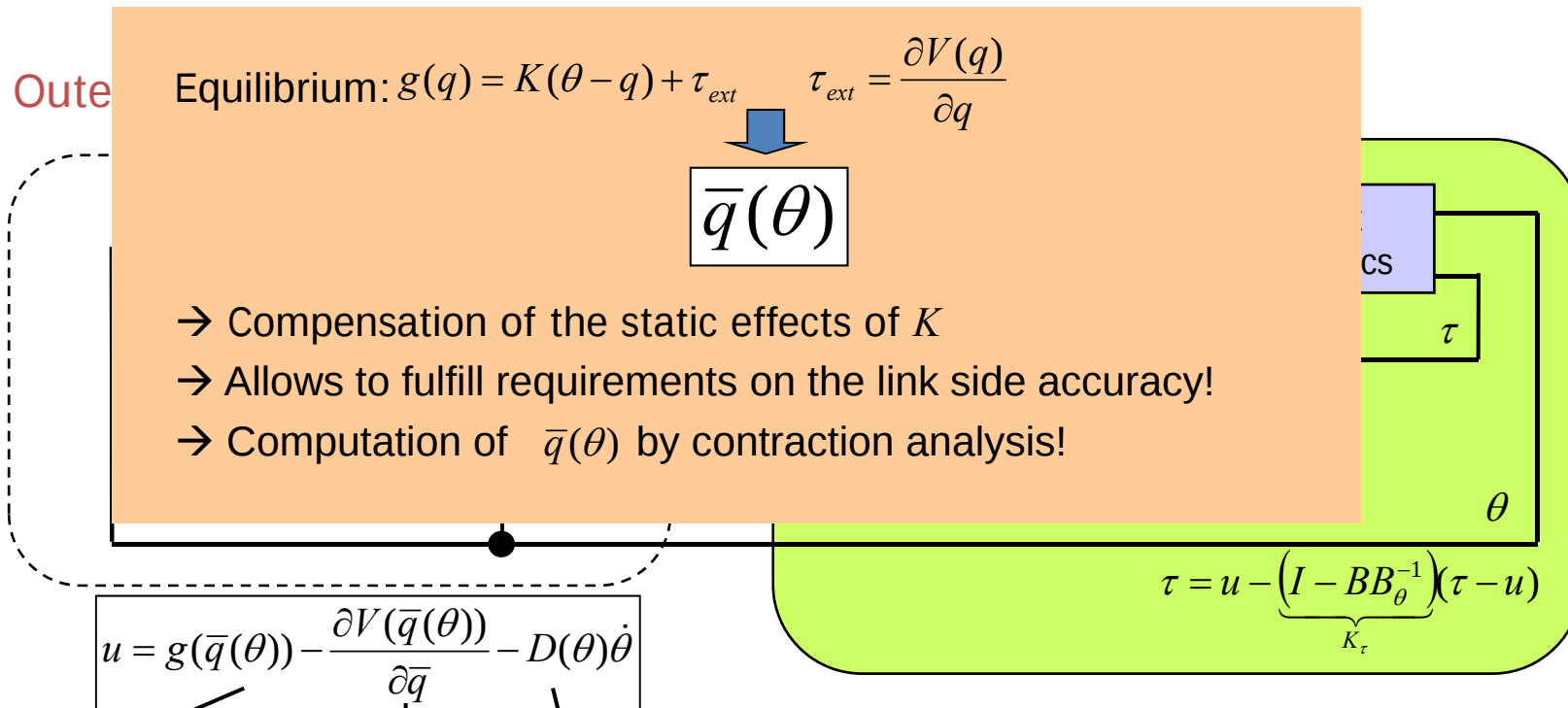


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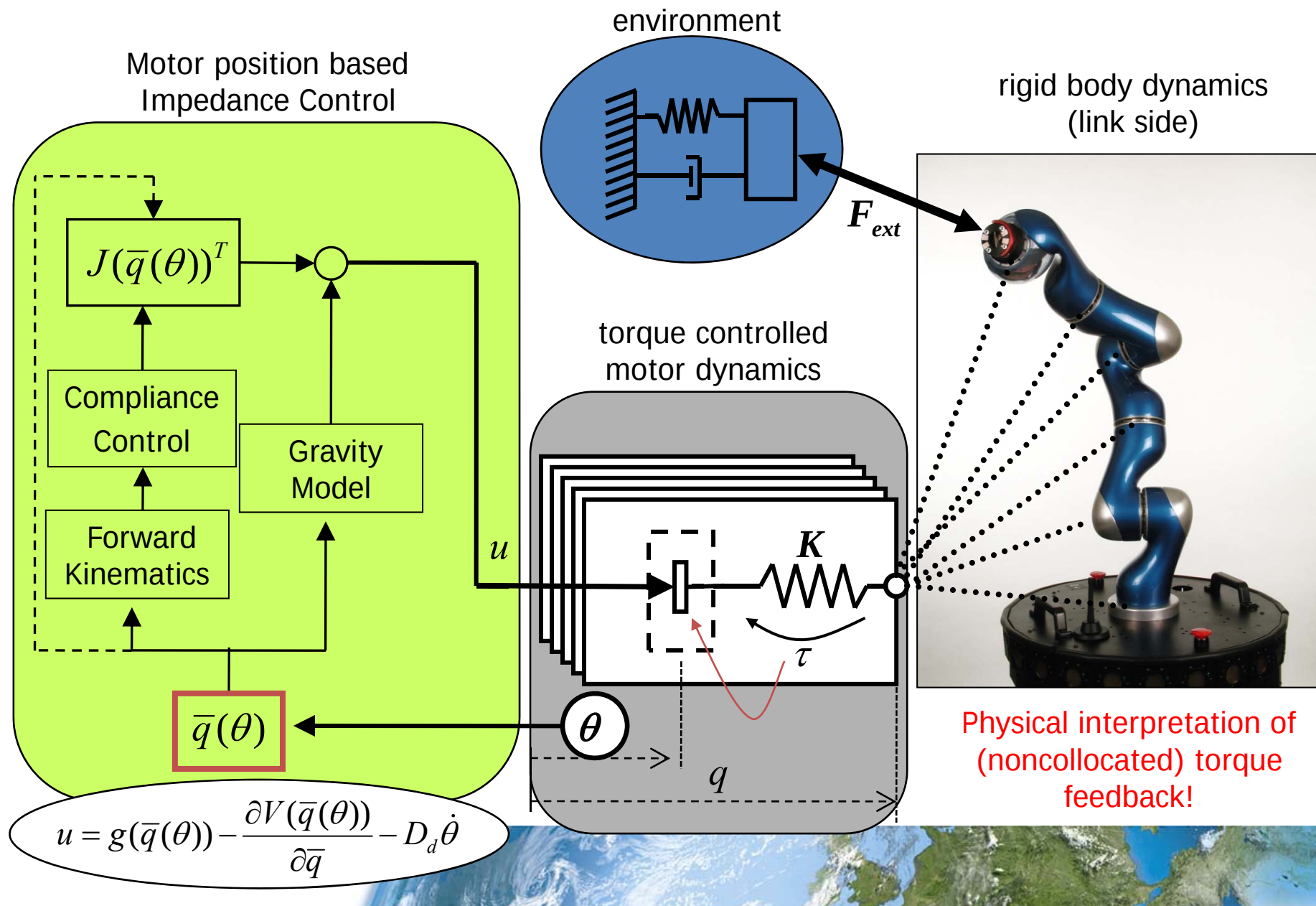
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Outer



Passivity Based Control of Elastic Robots



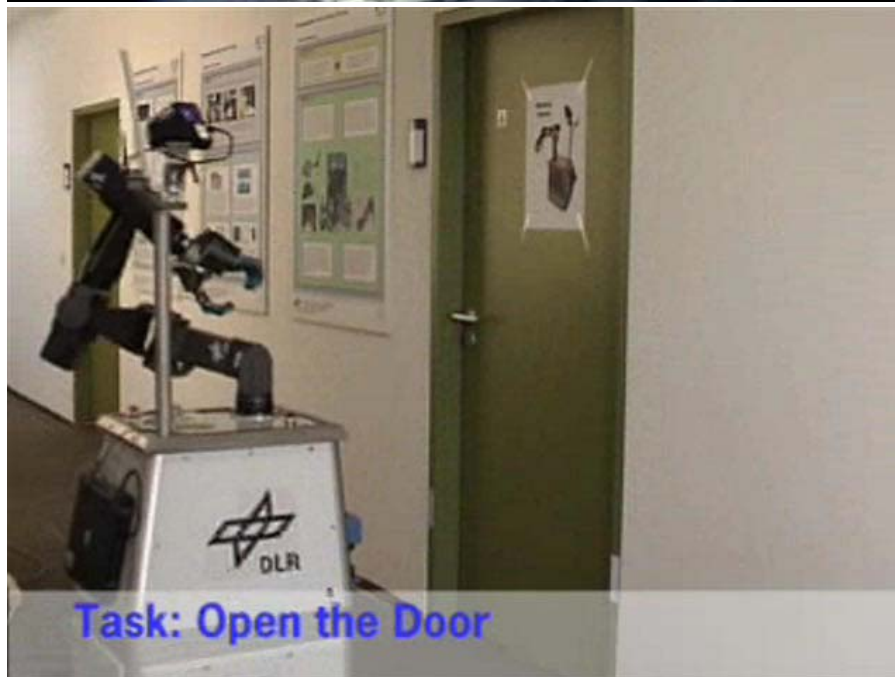
Applications (2003~2005)



**Kartesische
Impedanzregelung
von Robotern mit
elastischen Gelenken**



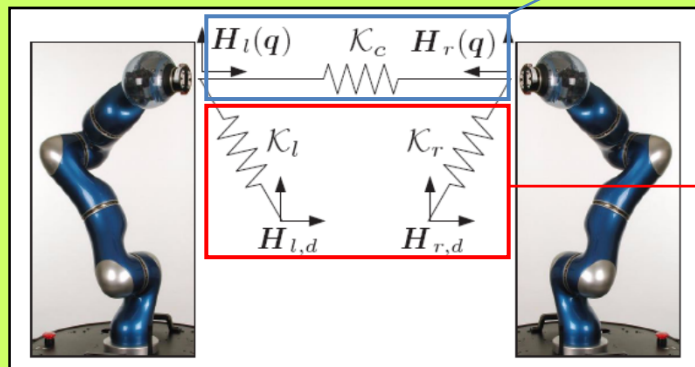
**Wischen einer
Tischoberfläche**



Two-Armed Manipulation

Generalization of the Single Arm Impedance Control

- Control the “grasping” forces via an additional virtual spring.
- Stiffness matrices must be compatible!



$$u = g(\bar{q}(\theta)) - \frac{\partial V(\bar{q}(\theta))}{\partial \bar{q}} - D_d \dot{\theta}$$



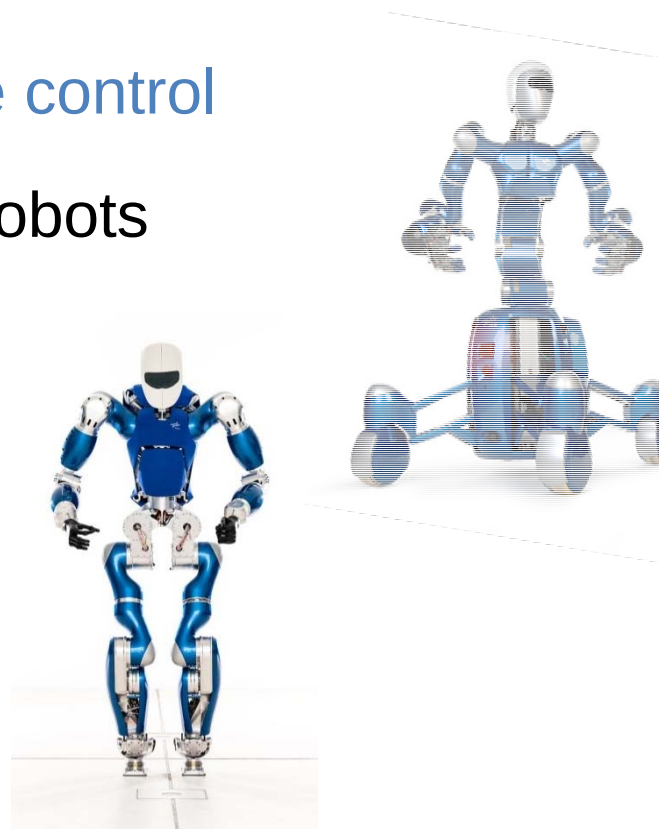
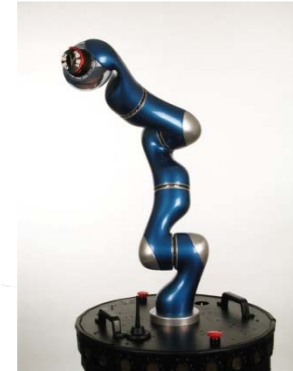
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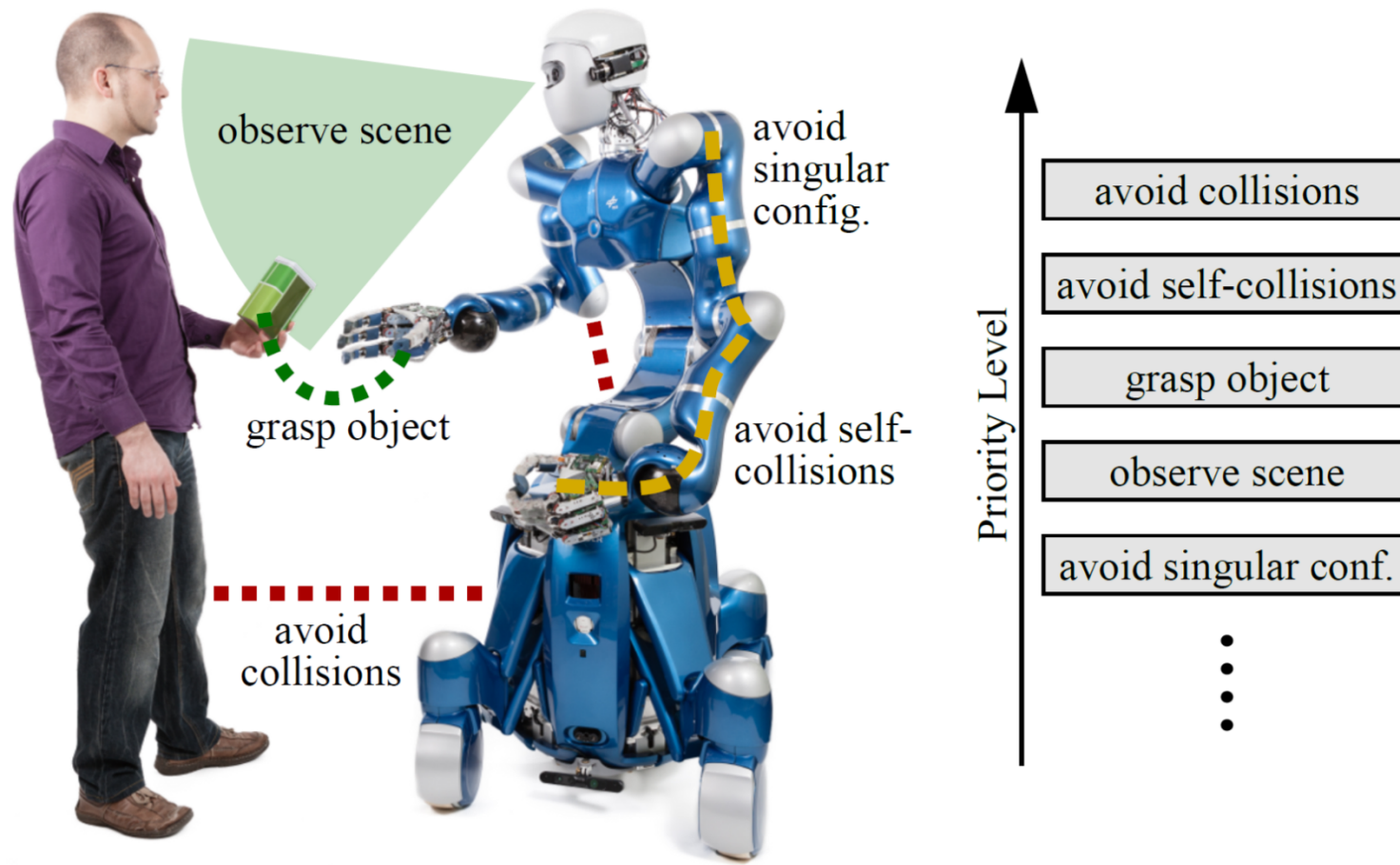
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Multi-Task Control



Multi-Task Compliance Control

Robot Dynamics

$$M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) = \tau + \tau_{\text{ext}} \quad q \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Multiple Tasks

$$\begin{aligned} x_i &= f_i(q) \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i} \quad \forall \quad 1 \leq i \leq r \\ \dot{x}_i &= J_i(q)\dot{q} \\ J_i(q) &\in \mathbb{R}^{m_i \times n} \quad \forall \quad 1 \leq i \leq r \end{aligned}$$

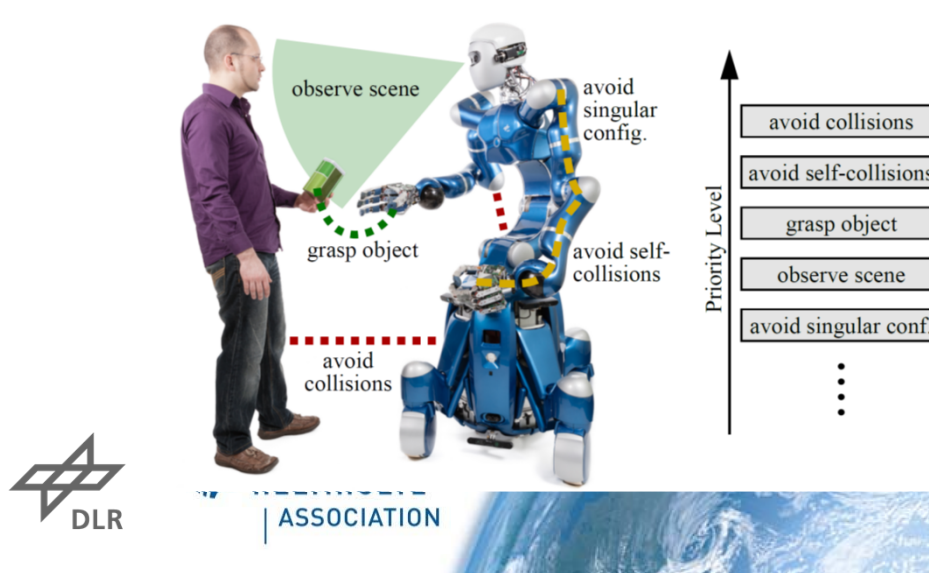
Control Goal (Compliance)

- Desired configurations $x_{i,d}$
- Stiffness $K_{i,d} \rightarrow V_i(\tilde{x})$
- Damping $D_{i,d}$

Task prioritization:

A task with lower priority should not disturb any task with higher priority

- execution in successive nullspaces
- successive convergence



Nullspace Compliance

Intuitive approach: nullspace projection

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{q}) - \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{q})^T \left(\frac{\partial V(\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}})}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}} + \boldsymbol{D}_d \dot{\boldsymbol{x}} \right) + \boldsymbol{N}(\boldsymbol{q})^T \boldsymbol{\tau}_n$$

nullspace projection

↑
nullspace control action

Nullspace Compliance Control: $\boldsymbol{\tau}_n = -\frac{\partial V_n(\boldsymbol{q})}{\partial \boldsymbol{q}} - \boldsymbol{D}\dot{\boldsymbol{q}}$

For analysis:

- Cartesian dynamics allown is not enough.
- We need a dynamics formulation of the task space and nullspace
- Nullspace projection is not passive
→ above control law is not sufficient!



Nullspace Coordinates

Two possible approaches ...

Additional task coordinates
(Baillieul '85)

$$x = f(q) \in \mathbb{R}^m$$
$$n = n(q) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-m}$$

Disadvantage: additional
algorithmic singularities
Dynamical couplings → Problem
for prioritized control

Velocity coordinates
(Park '99)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} J(q) \\ N(q) \end{bmatrix}}_{J_N(q)} \dot{q} \rightarrow \dot{q} = J_N(q)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

The problem of non-integrability: Notice that in general there do not exist any nullspace position coordinates $n(q)$ such that $\partial n(q) / \partial q = N(q)$ holds.



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0

Choosing $N(q)$ based on a full row rank nullspace base matrix $Z(q)$:

→ (Huang & Varma '91, Chen & Walker '93), (Park '99)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} J(q) \\ Z(q) \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$J(q)Z(q)^T = 0$$

$$N(q) = \underbrace{(Z(q)M(q)Z(q)^T)^{-1}}_{\text{normalization}} Z(q)M(q)$$

Hierarchical Nullspaces

Two priority levels

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J(q) \\ N(q) \end{bmatrix} \dot{q}$$

$$\begin{aligned} J(q)Z(q)^T &= 0 \\ N(q) &= \left(Z(q)M(q)Z(q)^T \right)^{-1} Z(q)M(q) \end{aligned}$$



block-diagonal inertia matrix $\Lambda_N(q) = \begin{bmatrix} JM^{-1}J^T & 0 \\ 0 & NM(q)^{-1}N^T \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$

Multiple priority levels: r task coordinates

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J_1(q) \\ J_2(q) \\ \vdots \\ J_r(q) \end{bmatrix} \dot{q}$$

- obey priority order
- blockdiagonal inertia

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J_1(q) \\ \bar{J}_2(q) \\ \vdots \\ \bar{J}_r(q) \end{bmatrix} \dot{q}$$



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Hierarchical nullspace velocity coordinates

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3) Minimal dimension to fulfill the task
(do not span the full nullspace)



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Complete dynamics

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$\Lambda(q)$

$\begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \dot{v}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{v}_r \end{pmatrix}$

$+$

$\mu(q, \dot{x}, v_i)$

$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_r \end{pmatrix}$

$= \bar{J}(q)^{-T} (\tau + \tau_{ext} - g(q))$

inertially decoupled
coupled

$$\mu(q, \dot{x}, v_i) = \Lambda(q) \left(\bar{J}(q) M(q)^{-1} C(q, \dot{q}) - \dot{\bar{J}}(q) \right) \bar{J}(q)^{-1}$$

Controller Design

Intuitive approach: nullspace projection

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{q}) - \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{q})^T \left(\frac{\partial V(\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}})}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}} + \boldsymbol{D}_d \dot{\boldsymbol{x}} \right) + \boldsymbol{N}(\boldsymbol{q})^T \boldsymbol{\tau}_n$$

Prioritized hierarchical compliance control

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{q}) + \boldsymbol{\tau}_\mu - \boldsymbol{J}(\boldsymbol{q})^T \left(\frac{\partial V_1(\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}_1)}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_1} + \boldsymbol{D}_1 \dot{\boldsymbol{x}}_1 \right) - \sum_{i=2..r} \overbrace{\bar{\boldsymbol{J}}_i(\boldsymbol{q})^T \boldsymbol{Z}_i(\boldsymbol{q}) \boldsymbol{J}_i(\boldsymbol{q})^T}^{\text{nullspace projection}} \left(\frac{\partial V_i(\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}_i)}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_i} + \boldsymbol{D}_i \dot{\boldsymbol{x}}_i \right)$$

$$\bar{\boldsymbol{J}}_i(\boldsymbol{q}) = \left(\boldsymbol{Z}_i(\boldsymbol{q})^{M^{-1}+} \right)^T$$



Controller Design

Intuitive approach: nullspace projection

$$\tau = g(q) - J(q)^T \left(\frac{\partial V(\tilde{x})}{\partial x} + D_d \dot{x} \right) + N(q)^T \tau_n$$

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power conservative decoupling of Coriolis and centrifugal coupling terms

$$\tau_\mu = \bar{J}(q)^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mu_{12} & \cdots & \mu_{1r} \\ -\mu_{12} & 0 & \cdots & \mu_{2r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\mu_{1r} & -\mu_{2r} & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_r \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mu(q, \dot{x}, v_i) = \Lambda(q) \left(\bar{J}(q) M(q)^{-1} C(q, q) - \dot{\bar{J}}(q) \right) \bar{J}(q)^{-1}$$

Closed Loop Dynamics

$$\Lambda(q) \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \dot{v}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{v}_r \end{pmatrix} + \mu(q, \dot{x}, v_i) \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_r \end{pmatrix} = \bar{J}(q)^{-T} (\tau + \tau_{ext} - g(q))$$



$\tau_{ext} = \bar{J}(q)^T \begin{pmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \\ \vdots \\ F_r \end{pmatrix}$

Main task

$$\Lambda_1(q)\ddot{x} + \mu_{11}(q, \dot{x}, v_i)\dot{x} + D_d\dot{x} + \frac{\partial V_1(\tilde{x}_1)}{\partial x_1} = F_1$$

Prioritized nullspace tasks

$$\Lambda_i(q)\dot{v}_i + \mu_{ii}(q, \dot{x}, v_i)v_i + Z_i(q)J_i(q)^T \left(D_d\dot{x} + \frac{\partial V_i(\tilde{x}_i)}{\partial x_i} \right) = F_i$$



Iterative Convergence

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After convergence of higher levels:

Passivity & convergence of next subtask



$$\dot{S}_i = v_i^T F_i - \underbrace{v_i^T Z_i J_i^T D_i J_i Z_i^T v_i}_{\leq 0}$$

$$\bar{J}_{\text{aug}, i-1}(q) Z_i(q)^T = 0$$

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Stability based on semi-definite Lyapunov functions

Subtask

Theorem 1: [12] Consider a system of the form $\dot{z} = f(z)$, $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with equilibrium point z^ . Let $V(z)$ be a C^1 positive semi-definite function which has a negative semi-definite time derivative along the solutions of the system, i.e.*

$$\dot{V}(z) = \frac{\partial V(z)}{\partial z} f(z) \leq 0. \quad (13)$$

Let $\mathcal{A}$ be the largest positively invariant set contained in $\{z \in \mathbb{R}^n | V(z) = 0\}$. If z^ is asymptotically stable conditionally to $\mathcal{A}$, then it is a stable equilibrium of $\dot{z} = f(z)$.*

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Passivity & convergence of next subtask

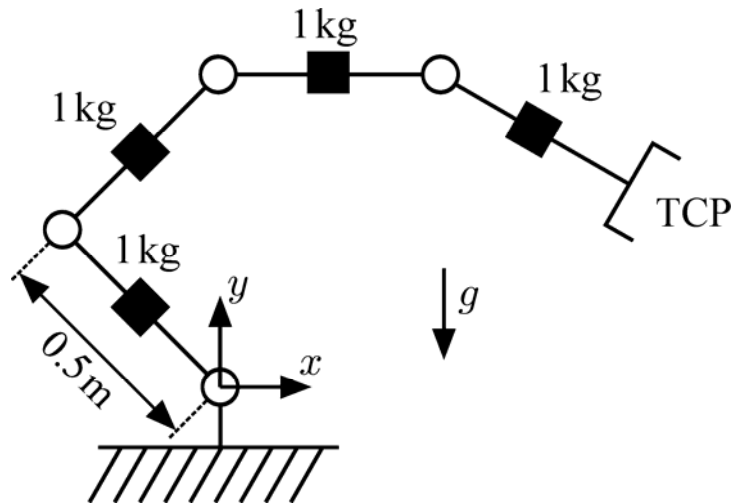


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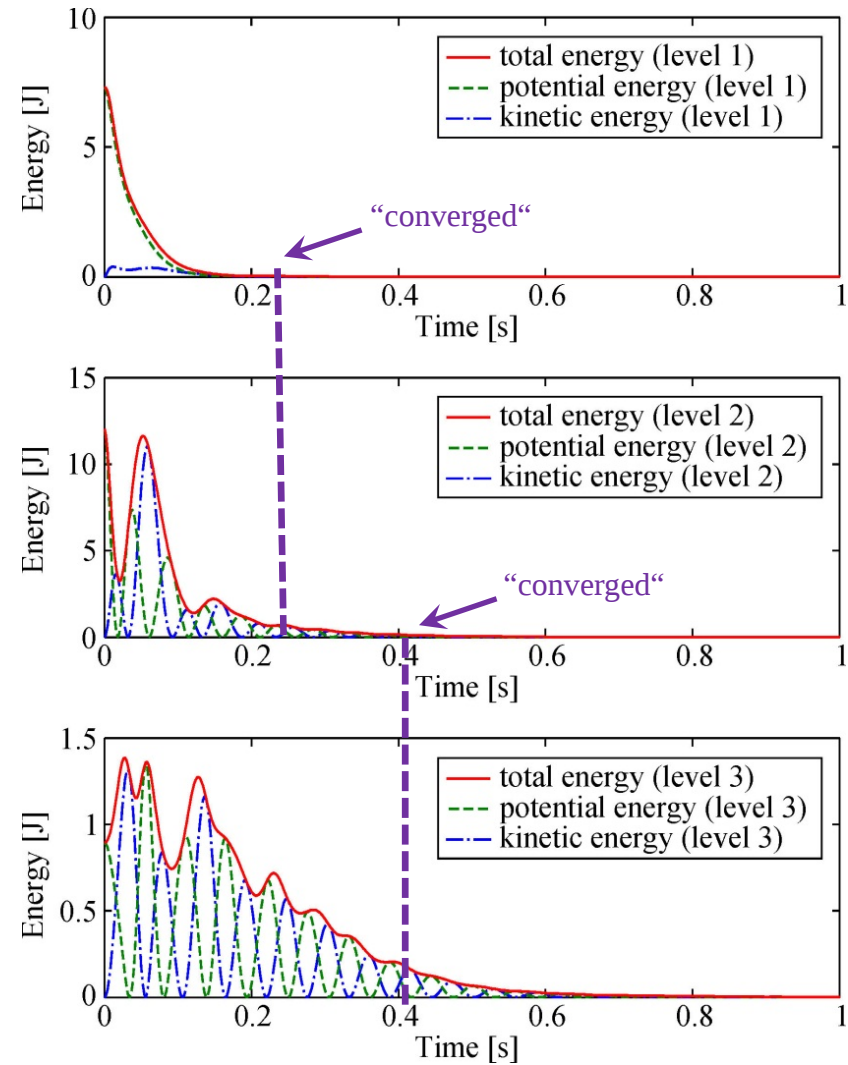
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Simulations



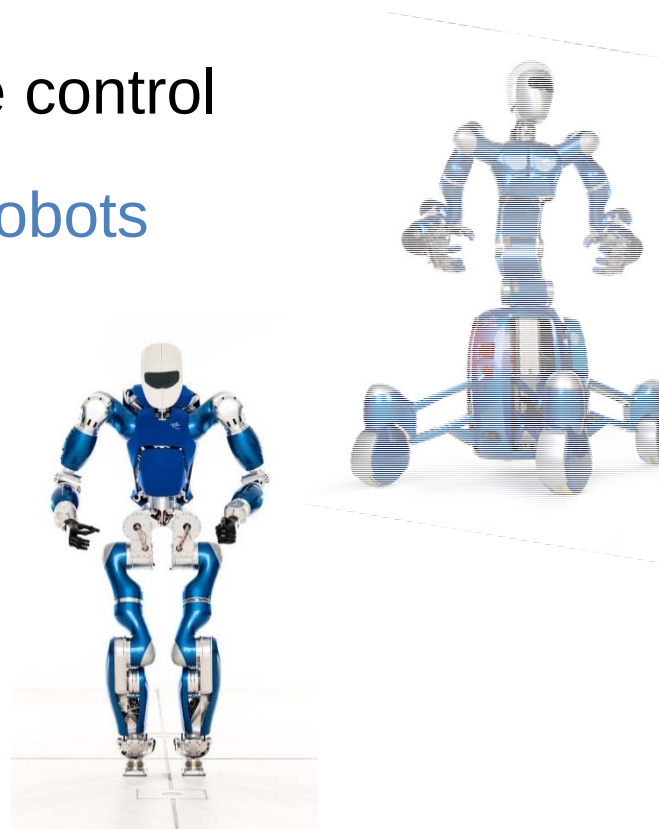
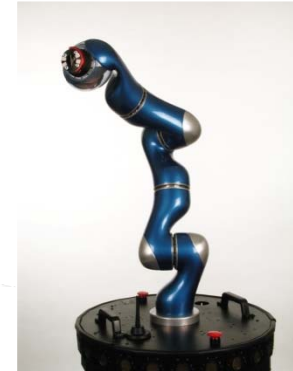
Priority levels for simulation:

1. Translational Cartesian compliance of the TCP
2. Rotational Cartesian compliance of the TCP
3. Compliance of first joint



Overview

- 1) Control of Robots with Flexible Joints
- 2) Multi-task compliance control
- 3) Extension to legged robots
- 4) Summary



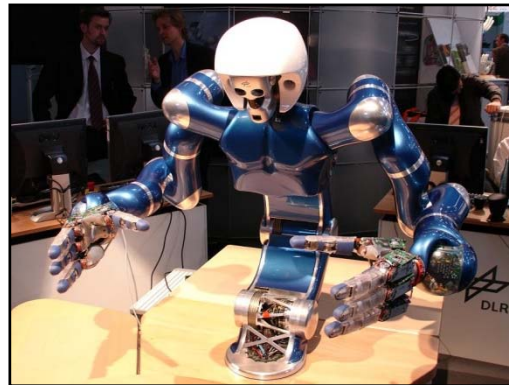
Torque controlled humanoid robots at DLR

- Joint torque sensing & control
- Robust manipulation via impedance control

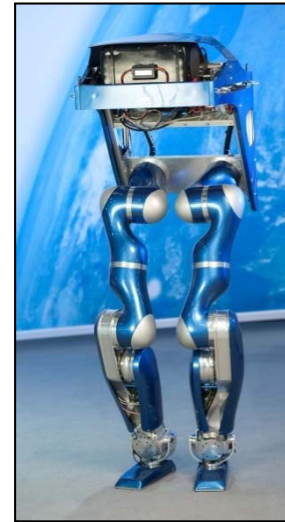
LBR-III (2003)



Justin (2006)



Biped (2010)



TORO (2013)



Space Qualified
Joint Technology



Mobile Justin (2009)

- Joint torque sensing & control
- Small foot size: 19 x 9,5 cm
- IMU in head & trunk
- FTS in feet for position based control
- Sensorized head (stereo vision & kinect)
- Simple prosthetic hands (iLIMB)

Applications



Balancing & Posture Control

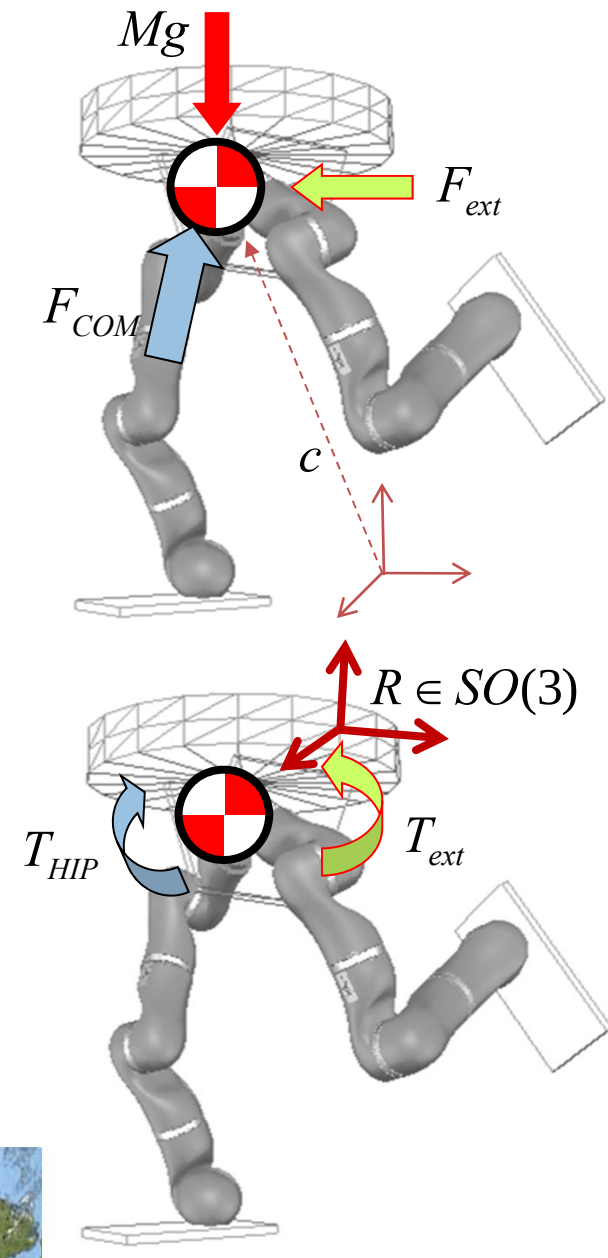
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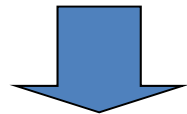
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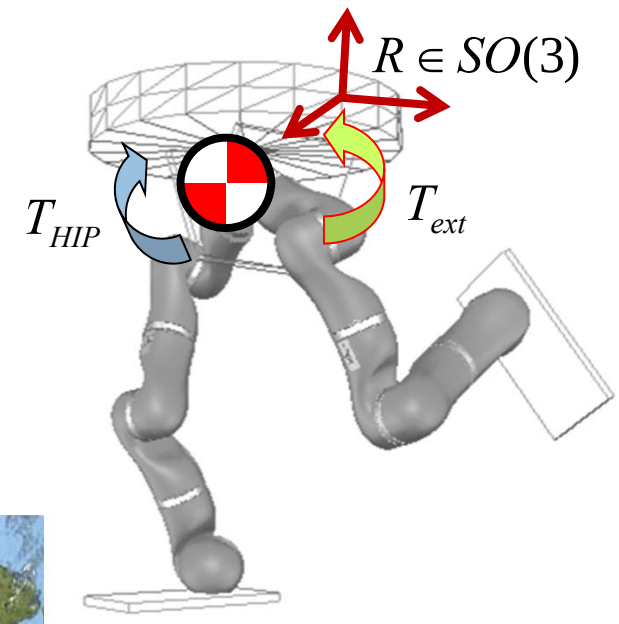
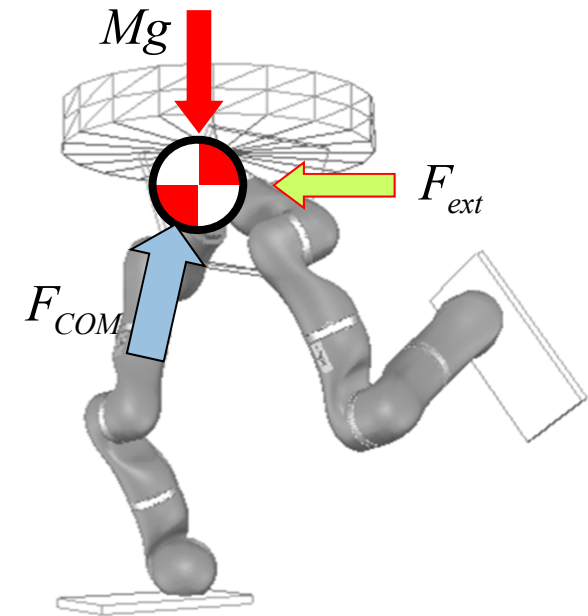
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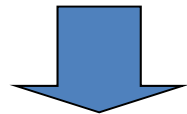
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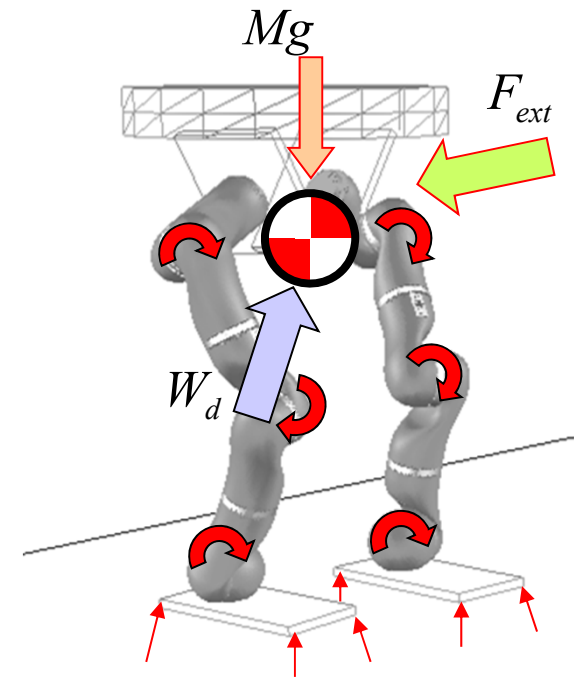
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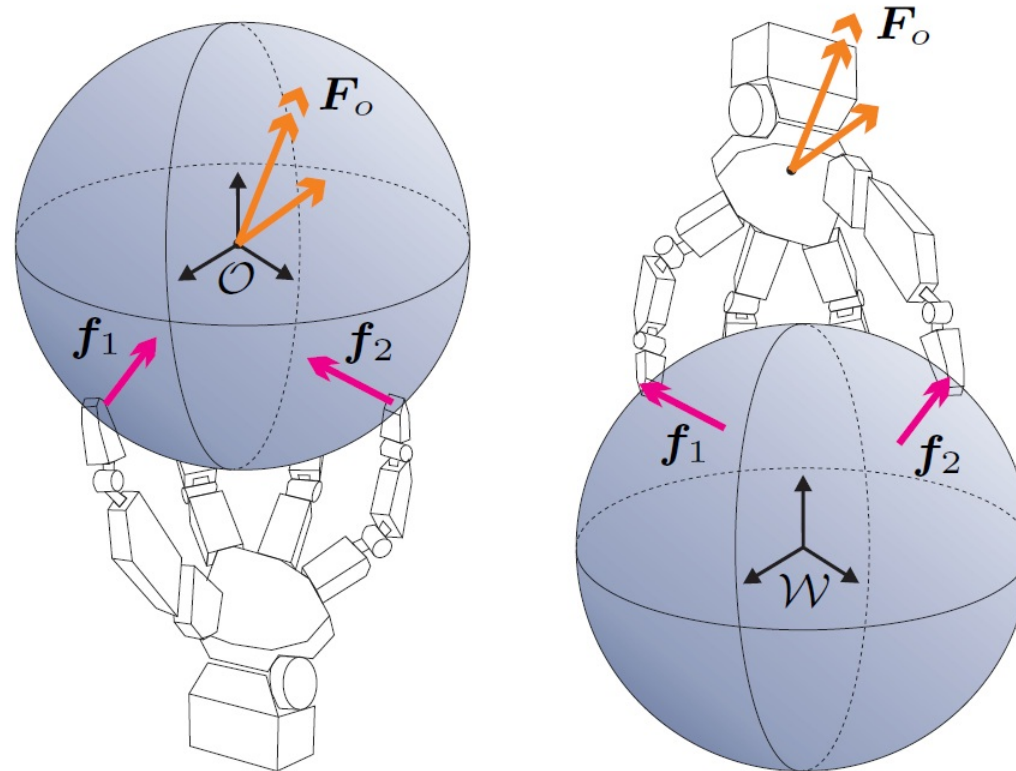
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Grasping & Balancing

Force distribution: Similar problems!

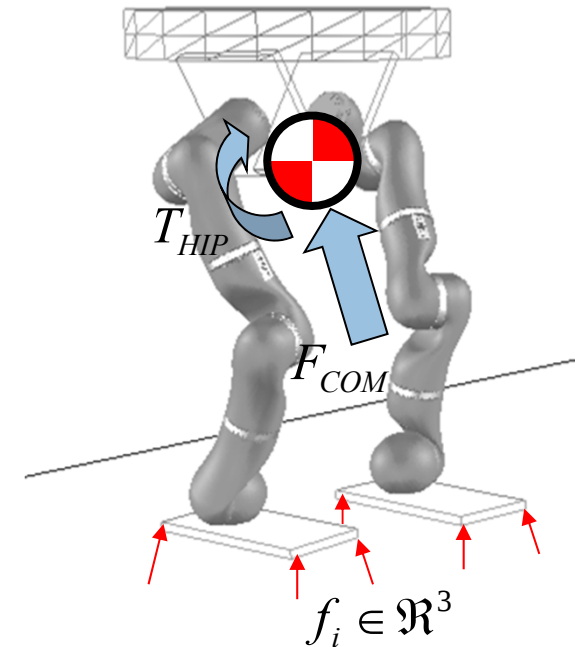


Force distribution

Relation between balancing wrench & contact forces

$$W_d = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 \cdots G_n \\ \begin{bmatrix} G_F \\ G_T \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_n \\ f_c \end{pmatrix}$$

$G_i = \begin{bmatrix} R_i \\ \hat{p}_i R_i \end{bmatrix}$



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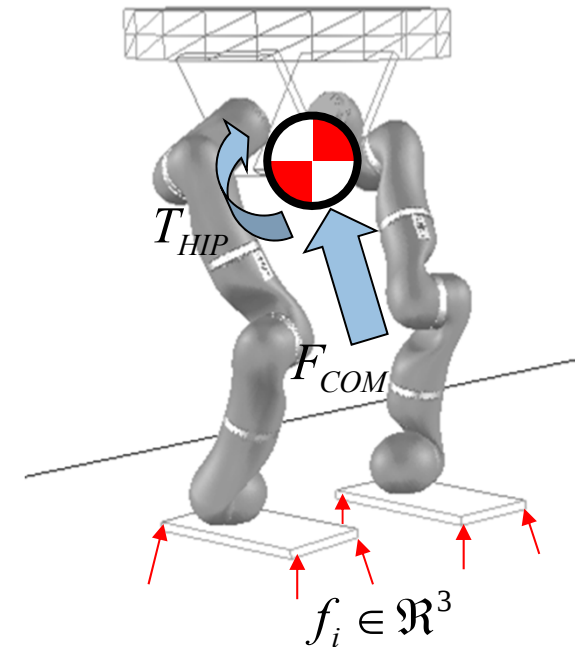


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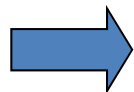
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Formulation as a constraint optimization problem

$$f_C = \arg \min \left\{ \alpha_1 \|F_{COM} - G_F f_C\|^2 + \alpha_2 \|T_{HIP} - G_T f_C\|^2 + \alpha_3 \|f_C\|^2 \right\} \quad \alpha_1 \gg \alpha_2 \gg \alpha_3$$



Contact force control via joint torques

Multibody robot model:

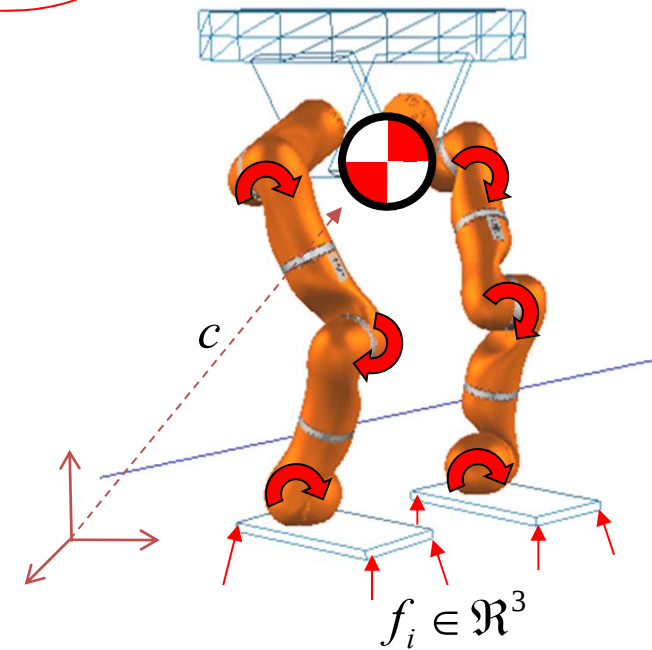
COM as a base coordinate → system structure with decoupled COM dynamics.

[Space Robotics], [Wieber 2005, Hyon et al. 2006]

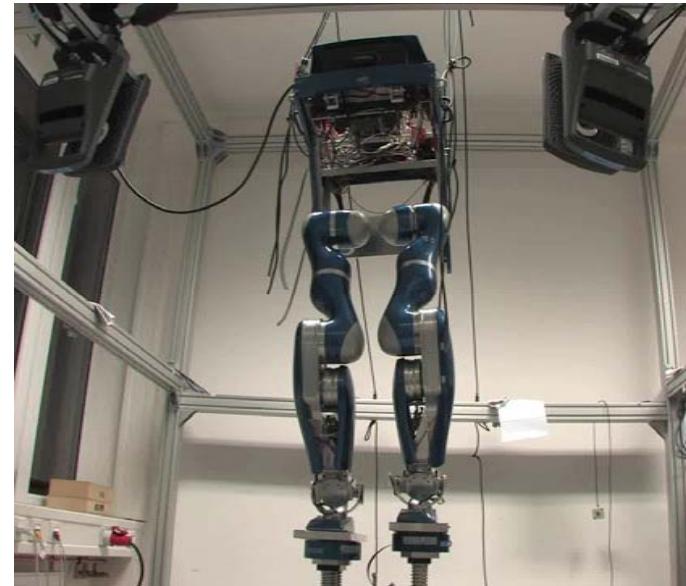
$$\begin{bmatrix} M & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{M}(q) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{c} \\ \ddot{\hat{q}} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \hat{C}(\hat{q}, \dot{\hat{q}}) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -Mg \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u \end{pmatrix} - \sum_{i=r,l} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ J_i(\hat{q})^T & \end{bmatrix} F_i \quad \rightarrow \quad M \ddot{c} = Mg - \sum f_i$$

$$\tau = \sum J_i(\hat{q})^T f_i$$

Passivity based compliance control
(well suited for balancing)



Experiments



Extension to Multi-contact scenarios

Current work by Bernd Henze

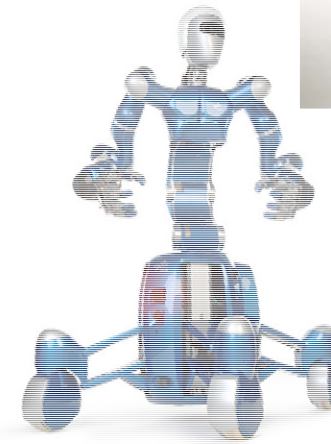


Whole body control (no separation between upper body and lower body)



Summary

- 1) Compliance control framework for robots with joint torque sensors → implies robot model with joint flexibility
- 2) Multi-objective compliance control:
→ Hierarchical nullspace velocities to achieve decoupling without feedback cancellation
- 3) Extension to legged robots & multi-contact interaction



Thank you very much for your kind attention!

