

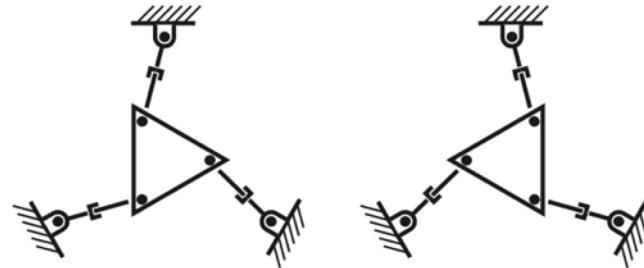
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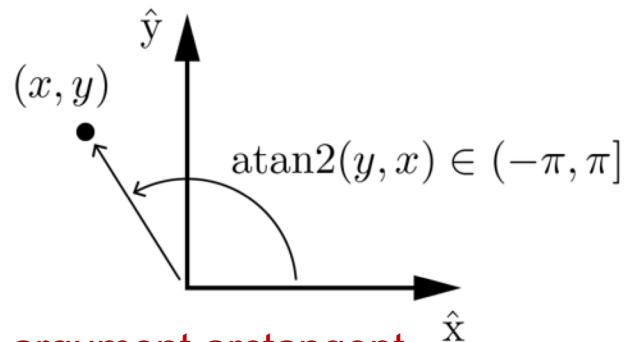
# Important concepts, symbols, and equations

- **inverse kinematics (IK)**: given  $T_{sd} \in SE(3)$ , find  $\theta$  such that  $T(\theta) = T_{sd}$ .
- unlike FK, IK for serial chains could have zero, one, or multiple solutions

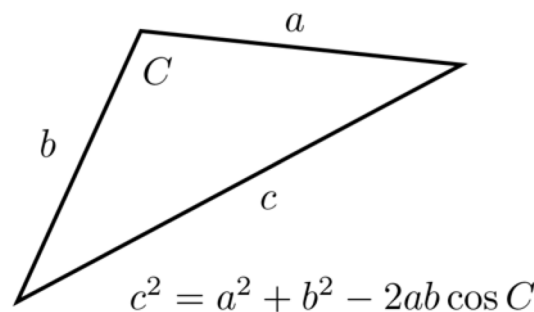
situation is reversed  
for closed chains:



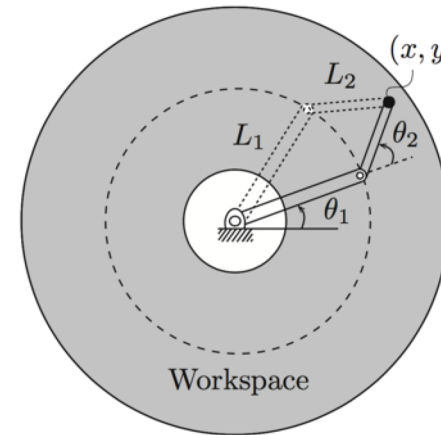
- closed-form (analytical) IK



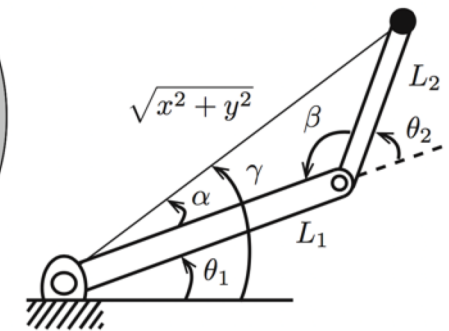
two-argument arctangent



law of cosines



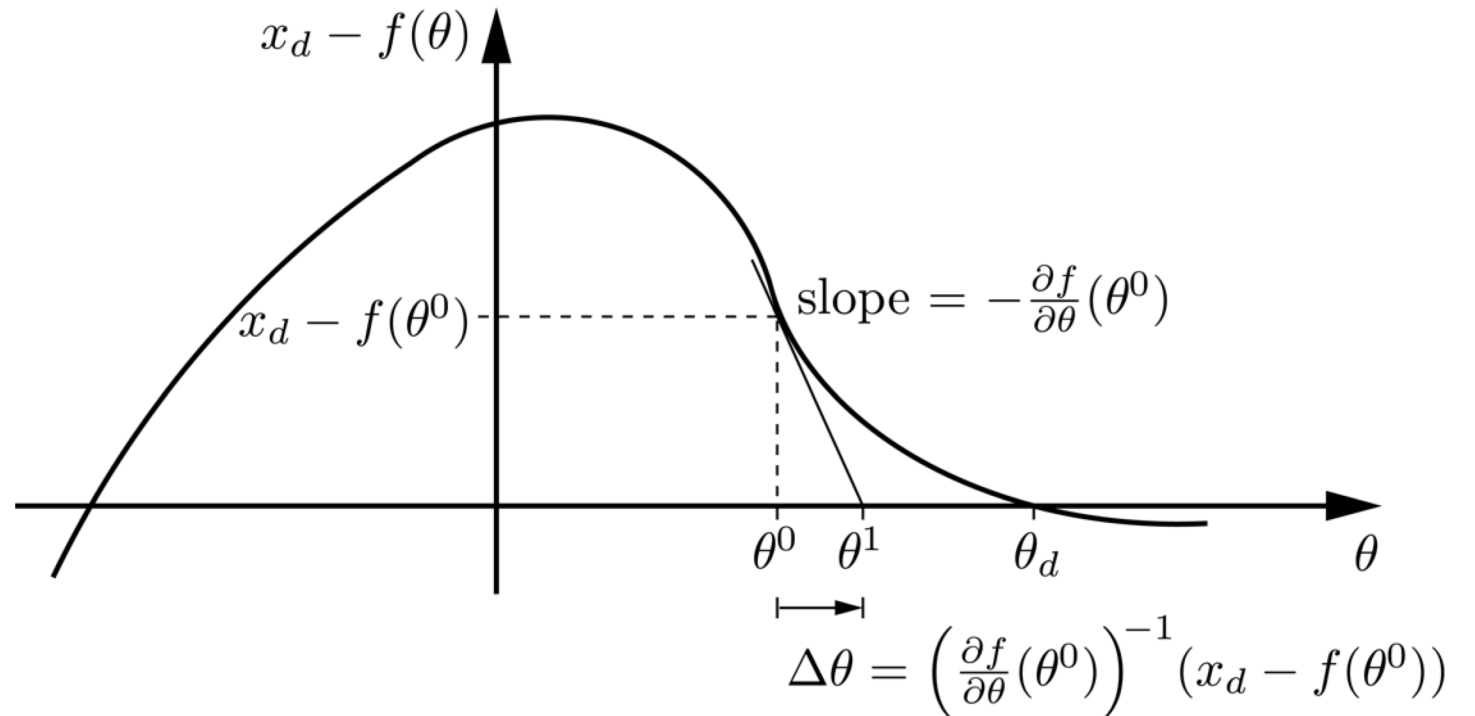
**IK for a 2R robot**  
 $\gamma$  from atan2  
 $\alpha, \beta$  from law of cosines



## Important concepts, symbols, and equations (cont.)

- **numerical IK:** iteratively refine an initial guess  $\theta^0$  to find  $\theta^k$  such that  $T(\theta^k) \approx T_{sd}$ .
- **Newton-Raphson root finding**

$x_d$  : desired function value  
 $f(\theta)$ : actual function value at  $\theta$



## Important concepts, symbols, and equations (cont.)

- vector Taylor expansion: 
$$x_d = f(\theta_d) = f(\theta^0) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{\theta^0}}_{J(\theta^0)} \underbrace{(\theta_d - \theta^0)}_{\Delta \theta} + \text{h.o.t.}$$

$$\text{linear approximation: } J(\theta^0) \Delta \theta = x_d - f(\theta^0) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{linear correction to the guess } \theta^0: \quad \Delta \theta = J^{-1}(\theta^0) (x_d - f(\theta^0))$$

- if  $J$  is not invertible, use the **pseudoinverse**:  $\Delta \theta^* = J^\dagger(\theta^0) (x_d - f(\theta^0))$

If there exists a  $\Delta \theta$  exactly satisfying (1), then  $\Delta \theta^*$  has the smallest 2-norm among all solutions.

If there is no  $\Delta \theta$  exactly satisfying (1), then  $\Delta \theta^*$  comes closest in the 2-norm sense.

## Important concepts, symbols, and equations (cont.)

Special cases of pseudoinverse for  $J \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  ( $m$  e-e velocity directions,  $n$  joints):

- If  $J$  is full rank and square:  $J^\dagger = J^{-1}$
- If  $J$  is full rank and tall ( $m > n$ ):  $J^\dagger = (J^T J)^{-1} J^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  (the “left inverse”)
- If  $J$  is full rank and wide ( $n > m$ ):  $J^\dagger = J^T (J J^T)^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  (the “right inverse”)

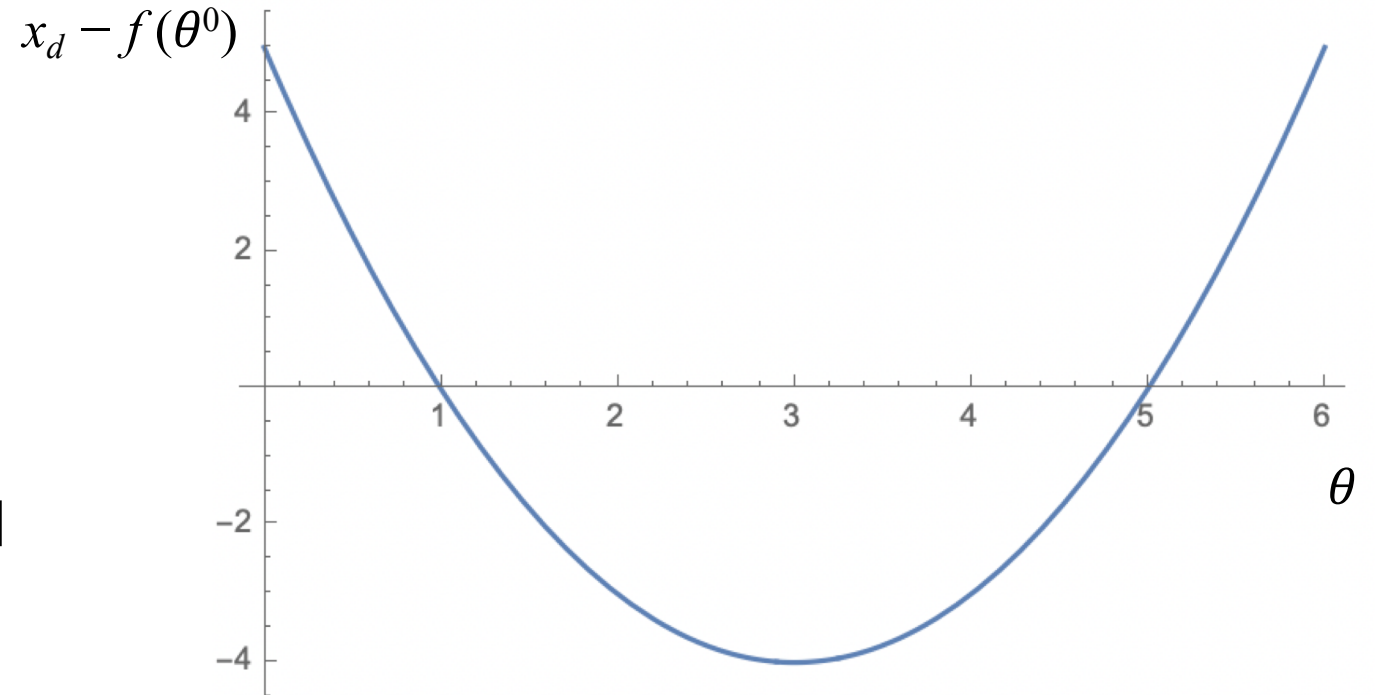
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- Numerical inverse kinematics, coordinate version:
  - (a) **Initialization:** Given  $x_d \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and an initial guess  $\theta^0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , set  $i = 0$ .
  - (b) Set  $e = x_d - f(\theta^i)$ . While  $\|e\| > \epsilon$  for some small  $\epsilon$ :
    - Set  $\theta^{i+1} = \theta^i + J^\dagger(\theta^i)e$ .
    - Increment  $i$ .
- Numerical inverse kinematics, geometric version:
  - (a) **Initialization:** Given  $T_{sd}$  and an initial guess  $\theta^0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , set  $i = 0$ .
  - (b) Set  $[\mathcal{V}_b] = \log(T_{sb}^{-1}(\theta^i)T_{sd})$ . While  $\|\omega_b\| > \epsilon_\omega$  or  $\|v_b\| > \epsilon_v$  for small  $\epsilon_\omega, \epsilon_v$ :
    - Set  $\theta^{i+1} = \theta^i + J_b^\dagger(\theta^i)\mathcal{V}_b$ .
    - Increment  $i$ .

Illustrate Newton-Raphson root finding for initial guesses  $\theta^0 = 3.6$ . and  $\theta^0 = 0$ .

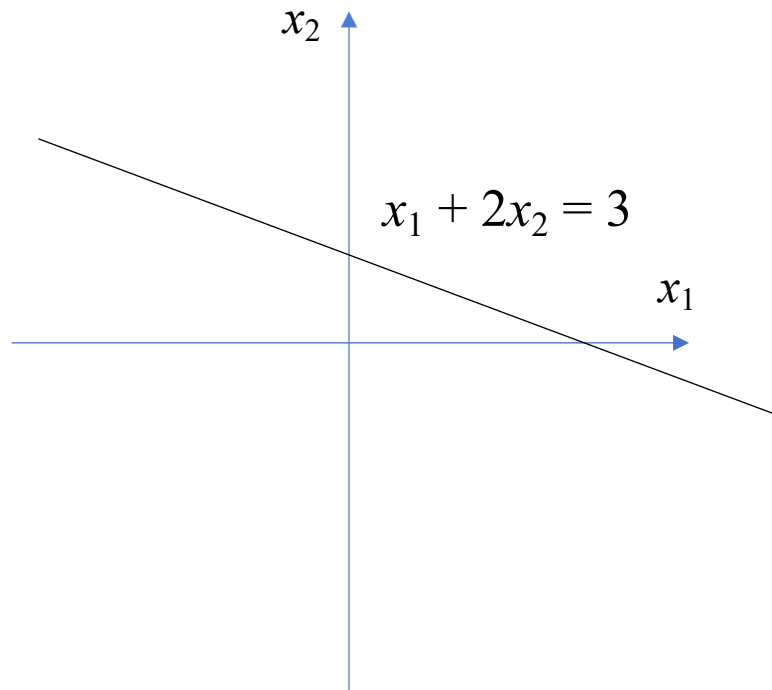
What if  $\theta^0 = 3.1$  and this were a joint angle?

For a robot controller, what's a good choice for the initial guess  $\theta^0$ ?

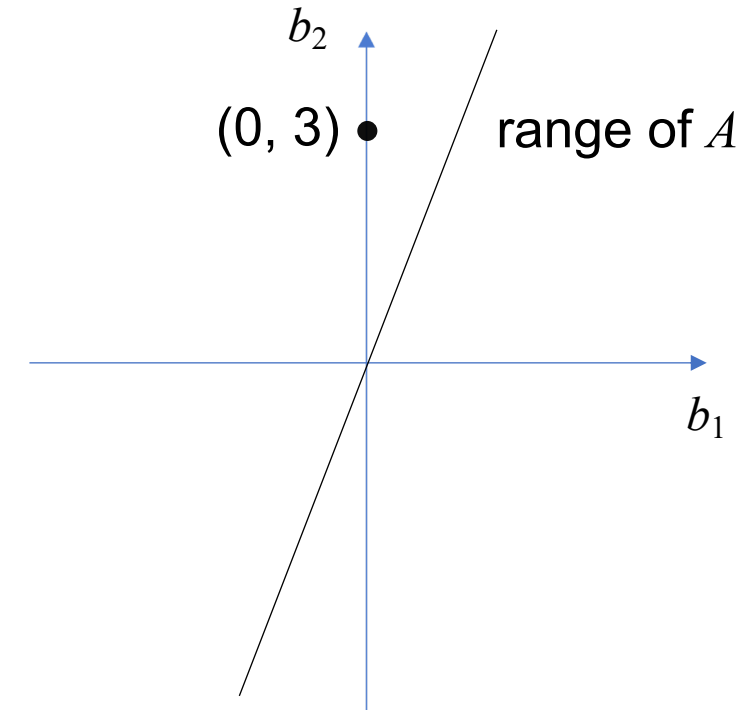


Graphically find a “good” solution to  $Ax = b$ , e.g.,  $x = A^\dagger b$ .

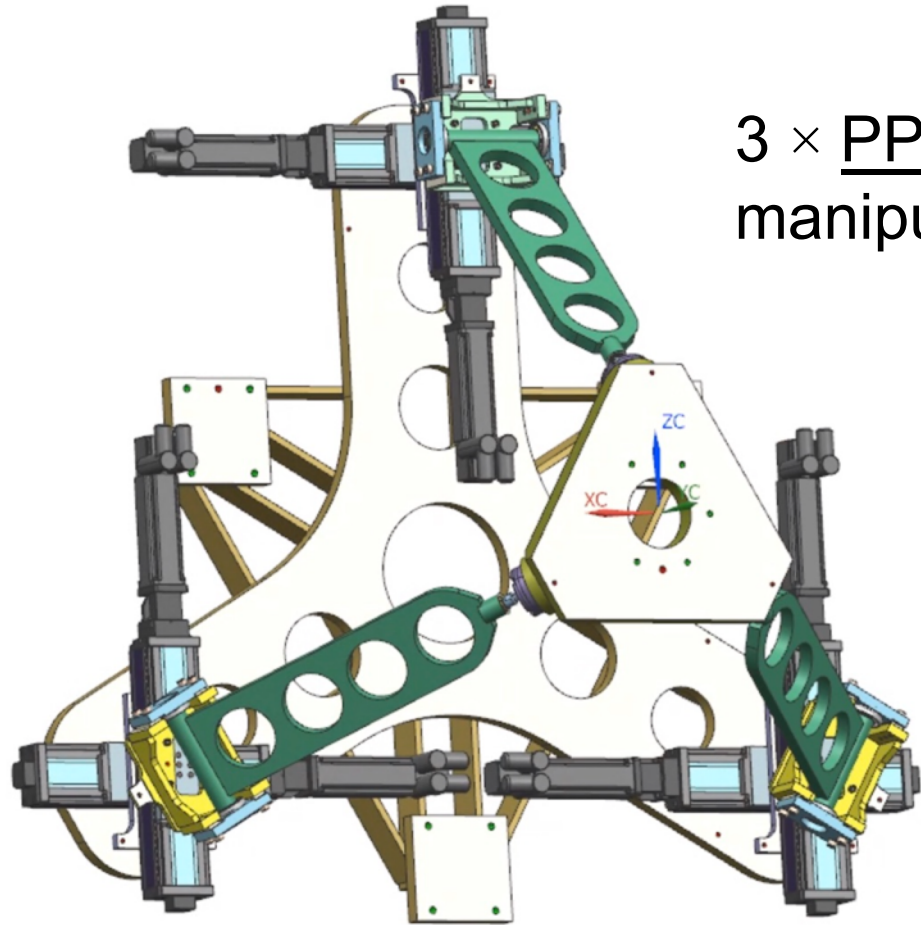
1)  $A = [1 \ 2]$ ,  $b = 3$



2)  $A = [1 \ 2]^T$ ,  $b = [0 \ 3]^T$







3 × PPRS parallel  
manipulator

IK? FK?

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