



INTRODUCTION TO ROBOTICS

(Kinematics, Dynamics, and Design)

SESSION # 10: MANIPULATOR KINEMATICS

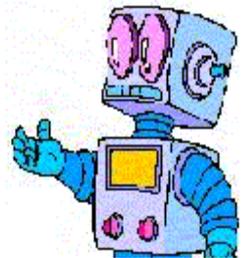
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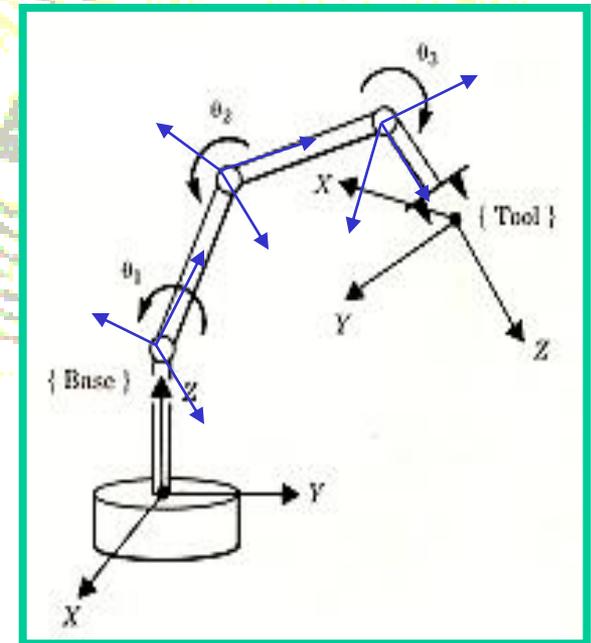
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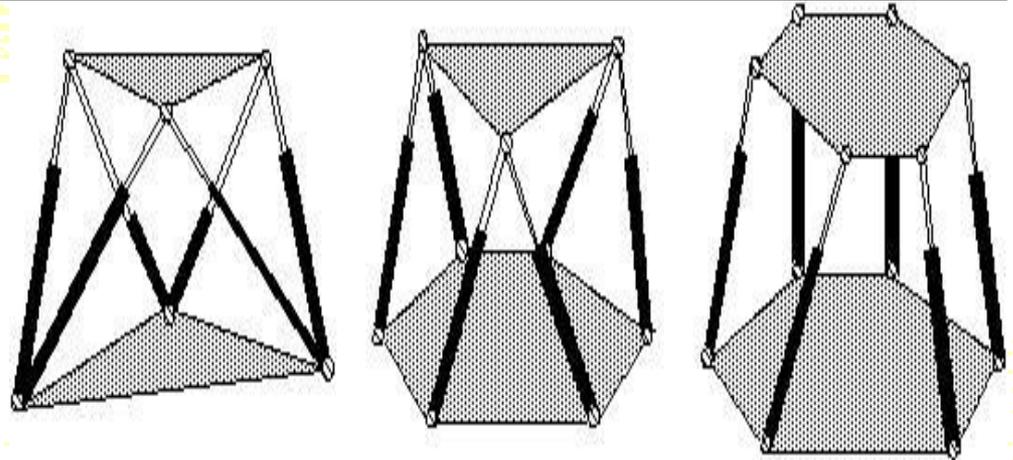
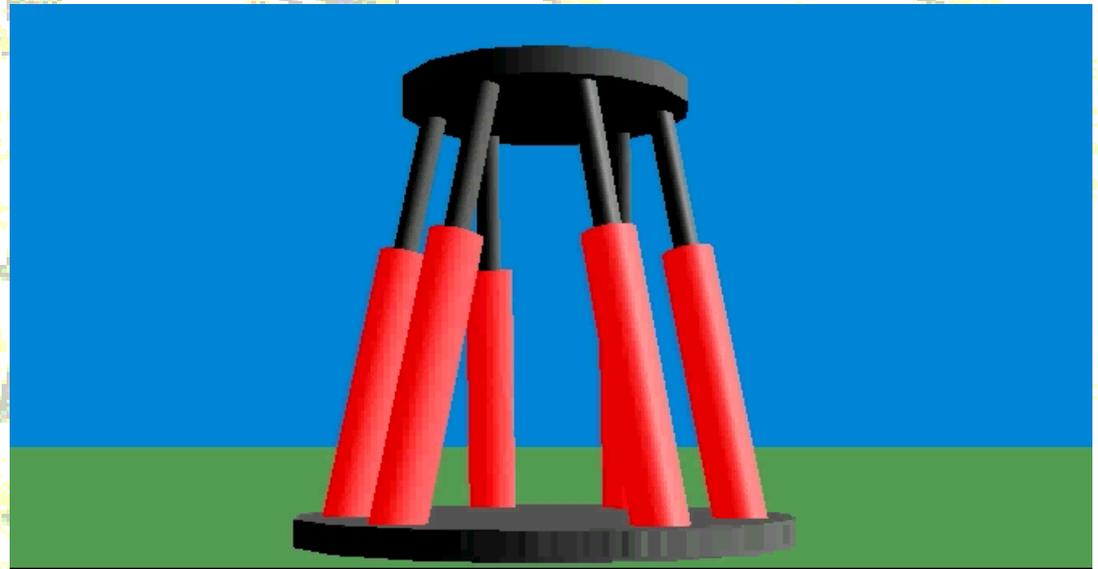
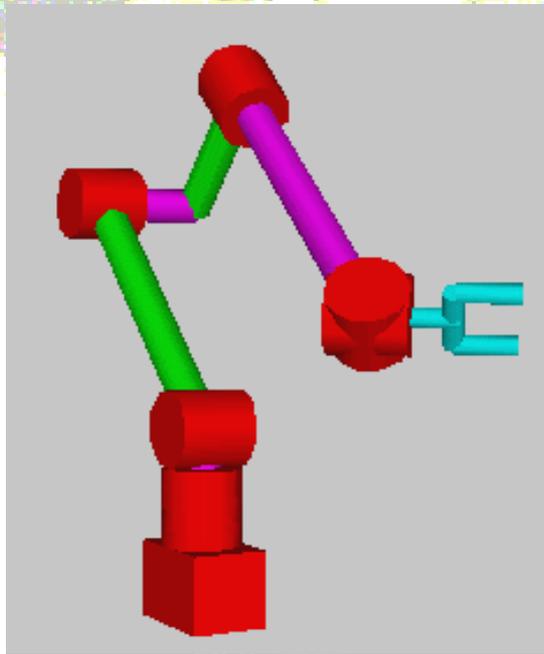
- **Study of motion without regard to forces causing the motion (Position, Velocity, and Acceleration).**
- **We will describe a method to compute the position and orientation of the manipulator linkages and end-effector as a function of joint variables relative to the base frame.**
- **To perform this task, we will affix frames to the various parts of the robot mechanism, and then describe the relationship between these frames.**



A 3-DOF Manipulator Arm



Serial and Parallel Manipulators



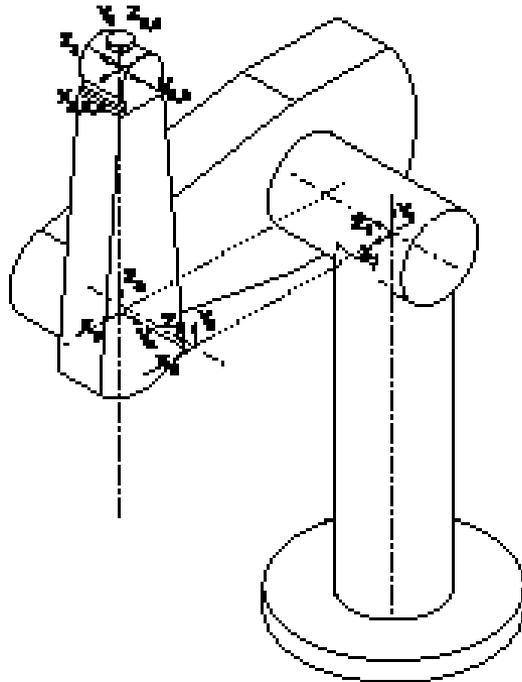
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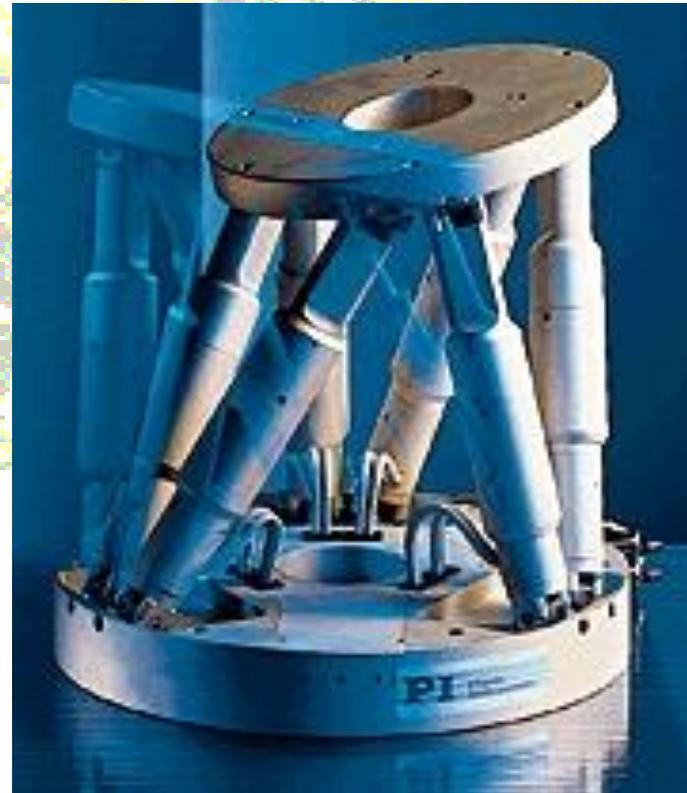
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Serial and Parallel Manipulators



PUMA560



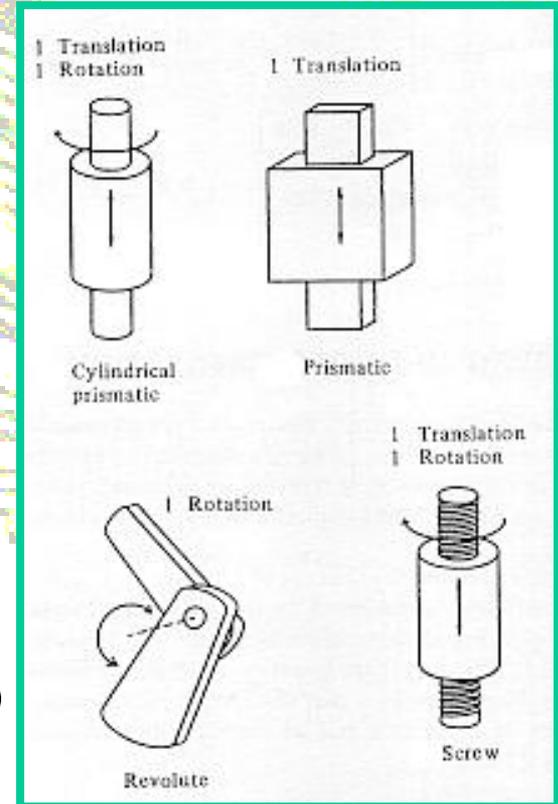
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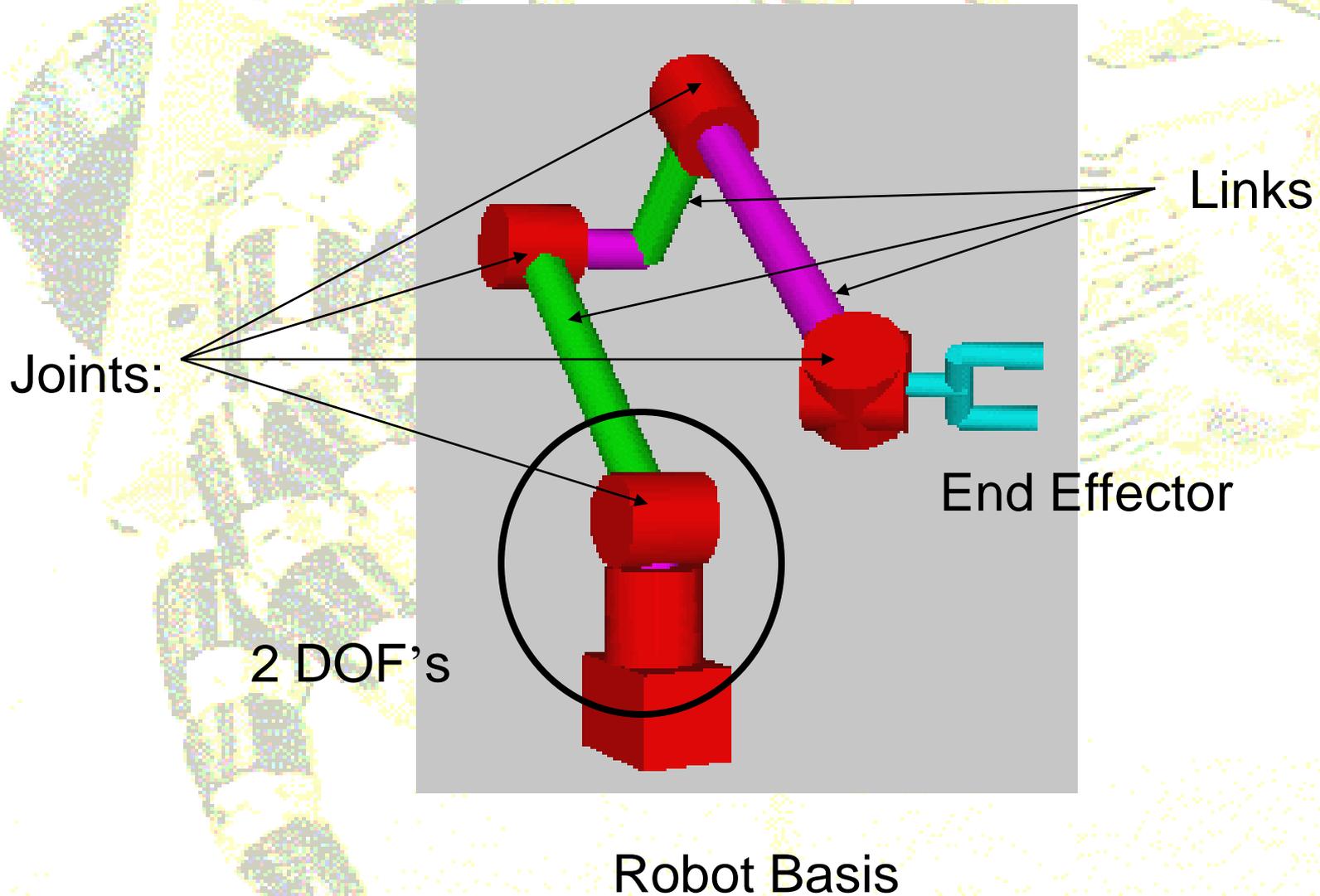
Manipulator Kinematics

➤ **Manipulator:** A set of bodies (links) connected by a series of joints (Revolute/Prismatic)

- **Joints connect parts of manipulators.**
- **The most common joint types are:**
 - **Revolute** joint (rotation around a fixed axis)
 - **Prismatic** joint (linear movement)
- **These joints provide the **DOF** for an end-effector.**



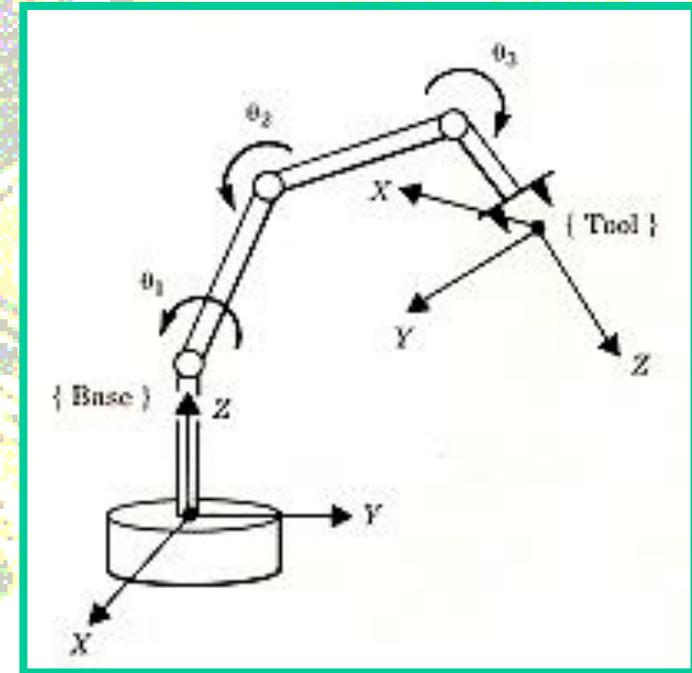
Links and Joints



Degrees-of-Freedom of a Manipulator

- ❖ To position an End-Effector (Gripper) generally in 3D-Space, a minimum of **6-joints** are required (3 for position & 3 for orientation).
- ❖ Typical Manipulators have **5 or 6 joints**.
- ➔ In open kinematics chains (i.e. Industrial Manipulators):

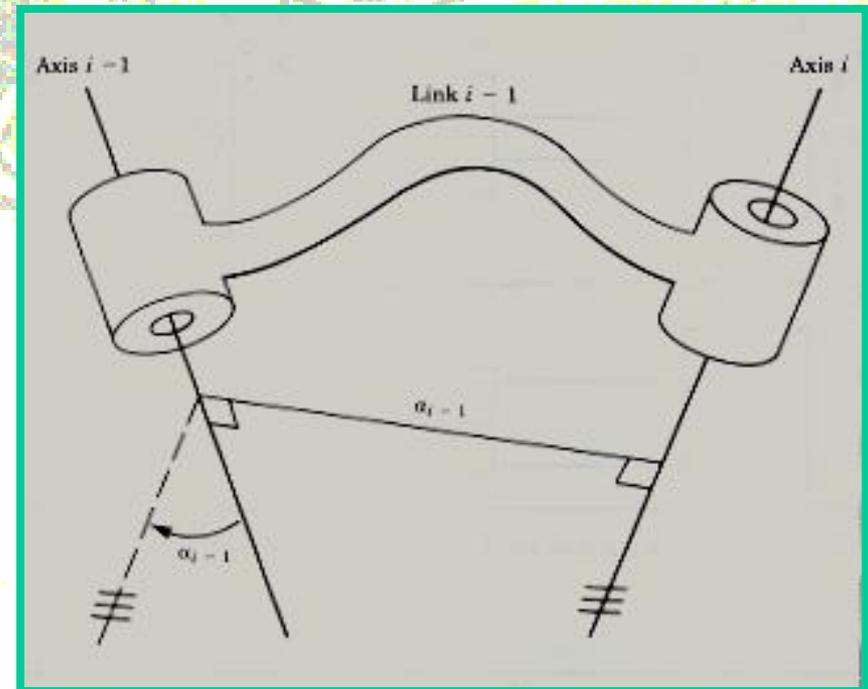
$$\{ \# \text{ of D.O.F.} = \# \text{ of Joints} \}$$



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Manipulator Kinematics

- **Kinematics Description of a Link:**
 - A *Link* is considered only as a rigid body which defines the relationship between **two neighboring joint axes** of a manipulator.
- ✓ Joint-axes are defined by lines in space as shown.
- ✓ How do we define the relationship between two lines in 3D-Space?

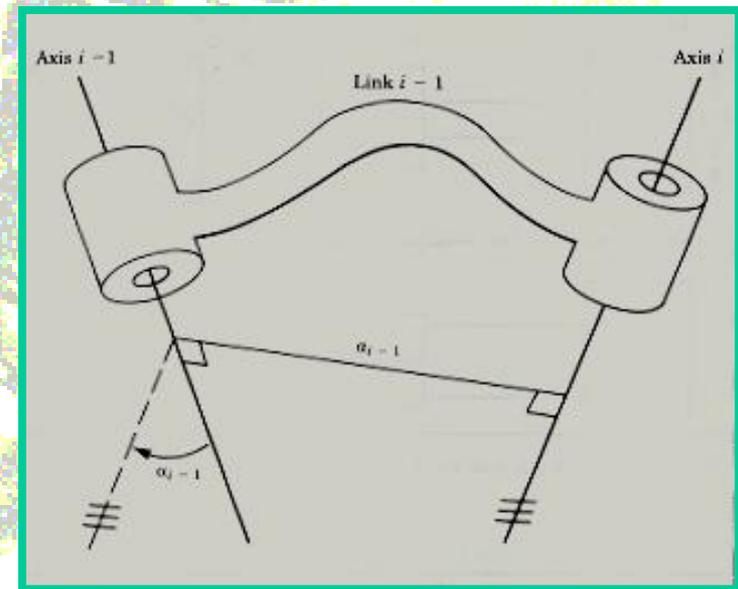


Manipulator Kinematics

- **Kinematics Description of a Link:**

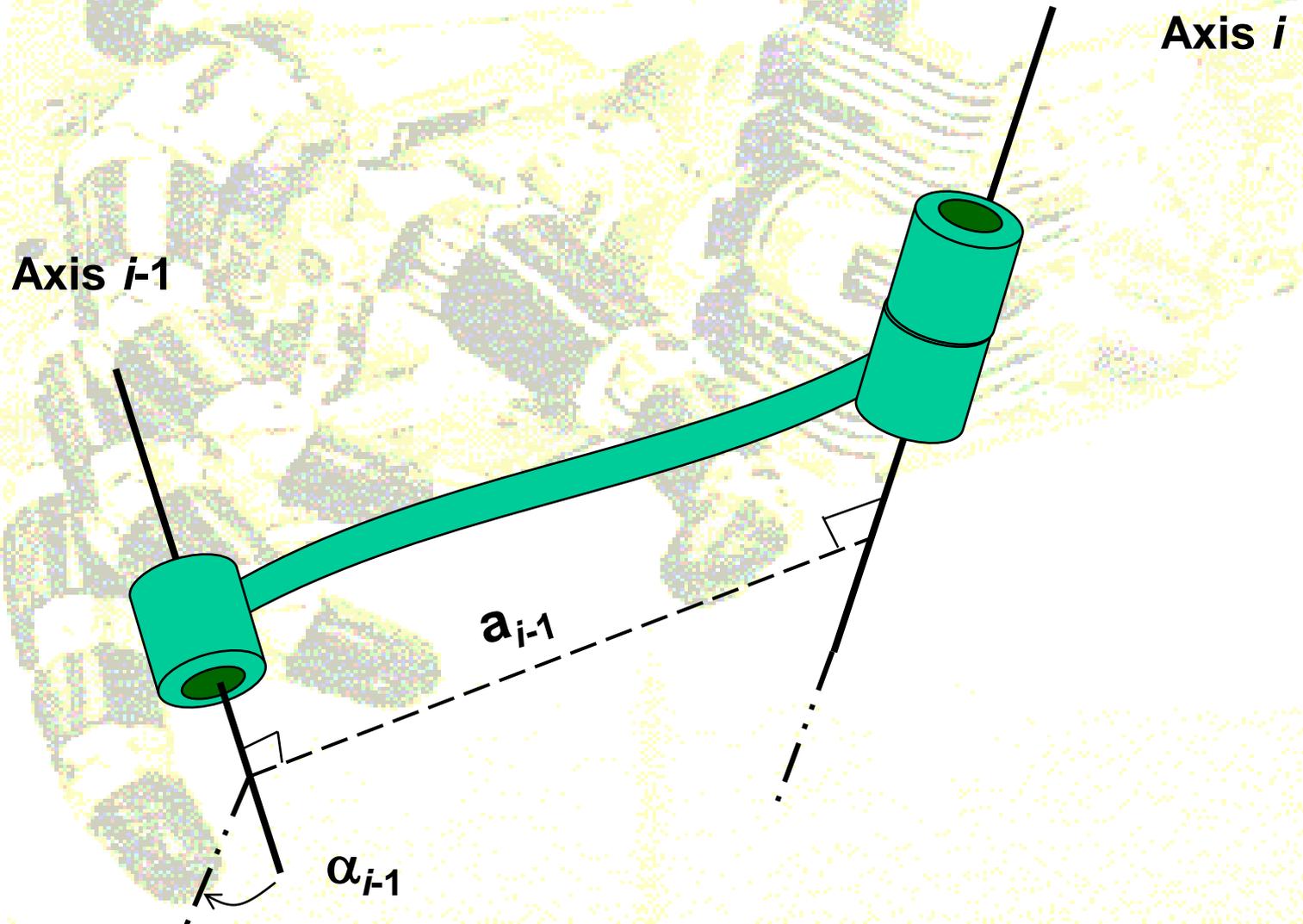
- We need **two quantities** to define relative location of the two axes in a 3D-Space.

- 1 Distance between the lines along their common normal (Unique except when lines are parallel). This distance is called the “**Link-Length**” (طول رابط), a_{i-1} measured from **axis i-1** to **axis i**.



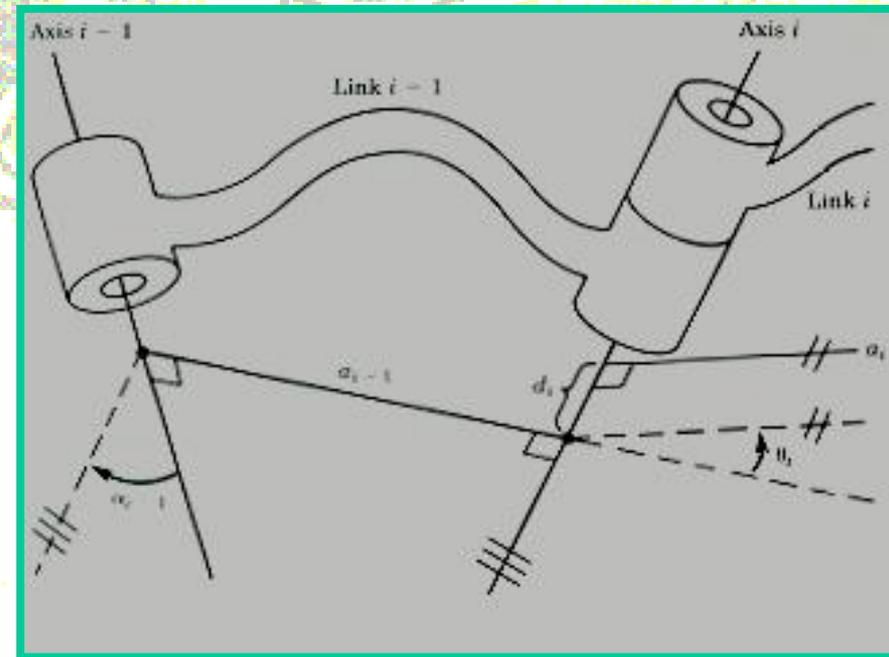
- 2 Angle between lines measured in the plane whose normal is the common normal. This angle is called the “**Link-Twist**” (پیش رابط), α_{i-1} measured from **axis i-1** to **axis i** by Right-Hand-Rule about the common normal. **Note:** If the axes intersect, then a is zero, and α is still measured from axis i-1 to axis i.

Link Length and Twist

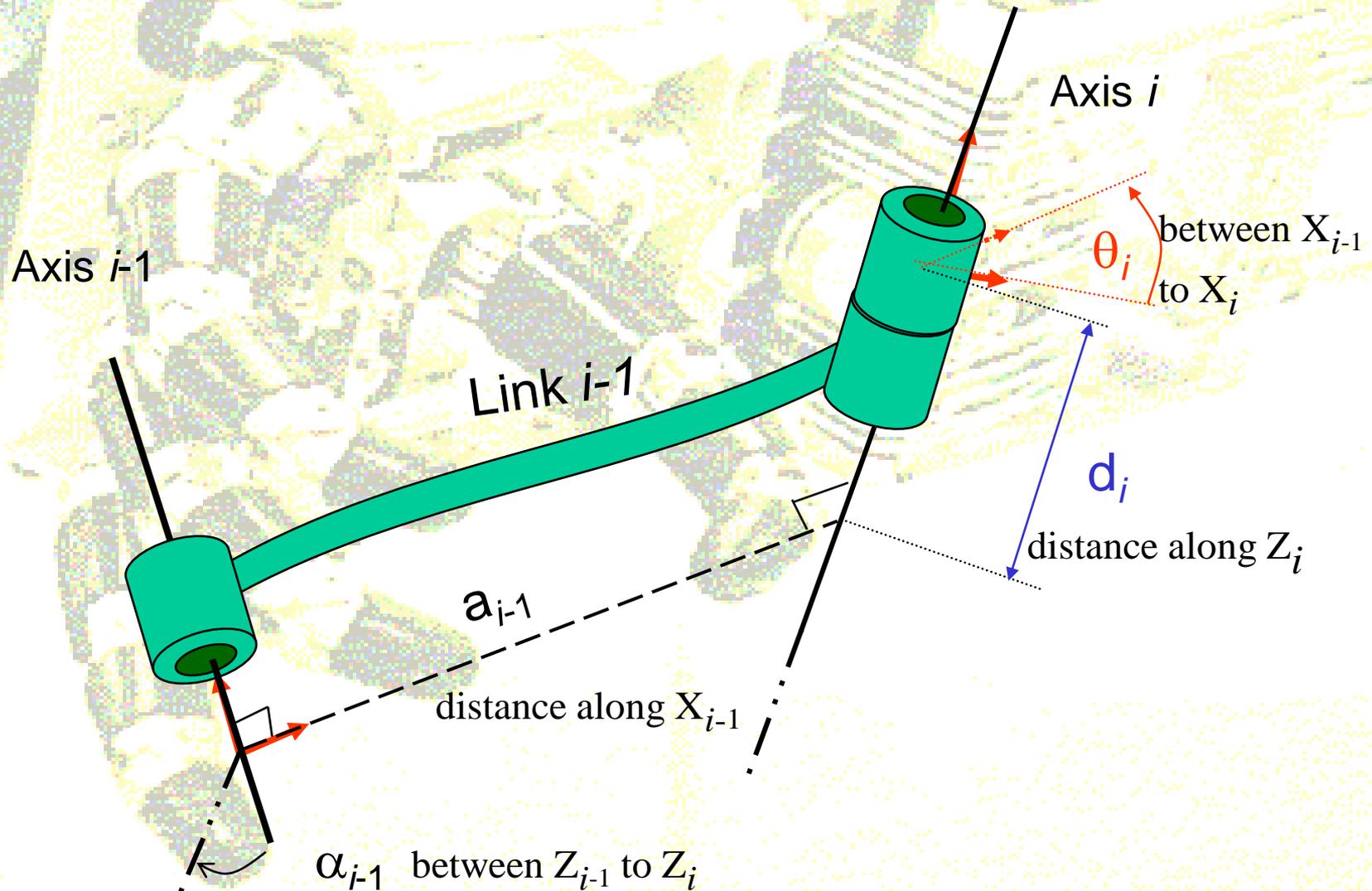


Manipulator Kinematics

- **Link Connection Description (توصيف اتصال رابط):**
 - Links are connected in various ways, and issues such as joint strength, lubrication, bearings and gearing are usually considered at the design stage. However, for kinematical studies we only need **two more quantities** to completely define the relative position of two neighboring links.
 - 1 The Distance between the two common normals “ d_i ” at **joint-i**. This distance is called the “**Link-Offset**” (انحراف رابط).
 - 2 Angle of rotation about their common **axis-i**, between one link and its neighbor, “ θ_i ”. This angle is called the “**Joint-Angle**” (زاويه مفصلي). (“ θ_i ” is the angle between a_{i-1} and a_i about **axis-i**).



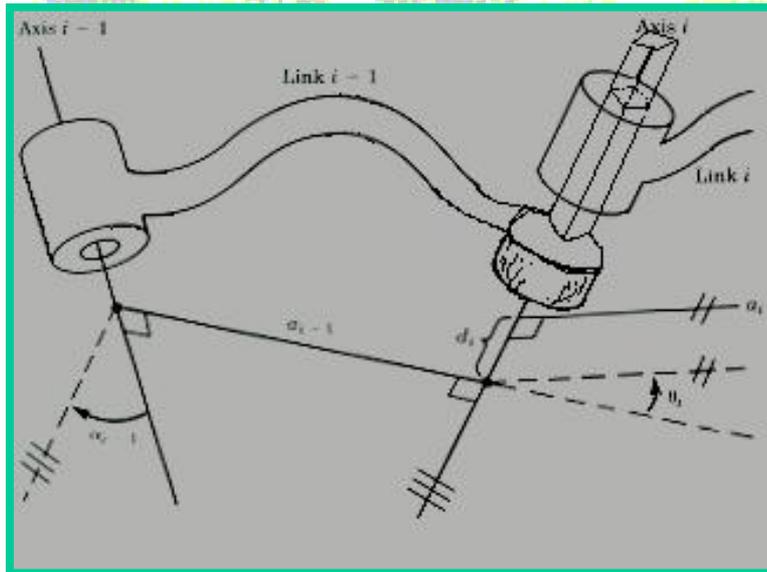
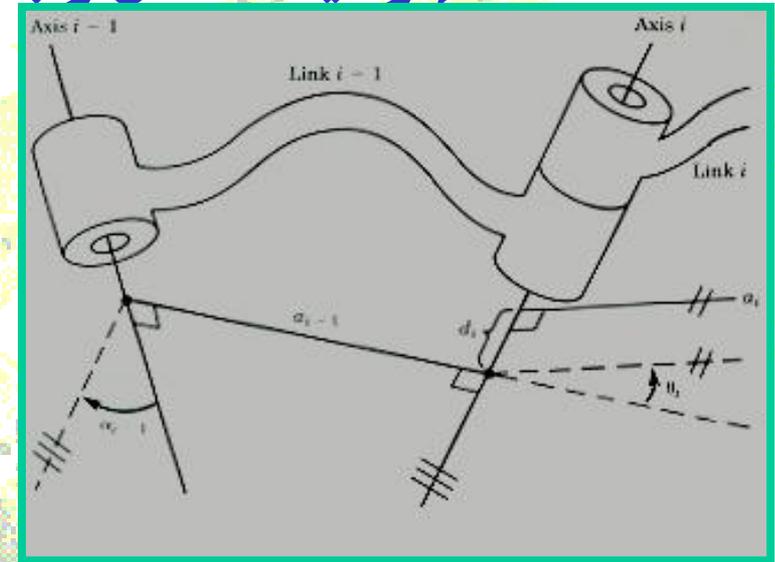
Denavit-Hartenberg Parameters



Manipulator Kinematics

- **Link Connection Description (توصیف اتصال رابط):**

For Revolute Joints: a , α , and d are all fixed, then “ θ_i ” is the **Joint Variable (متغیر مفصلی)**.



For Prismatic Joints: a , α , and θ are all fixed, then “ d_i ” is the **Joint Variable (متغیر مفصلی)**.

These four parameters: (Link-Length \equiv طول رابط $\equiv a_{i-1}$), (Link-Twist \equiv پیچش رابط $\equiv \alpha_{i-1}$), (Link-Offset \equiv انحراف رابط $\equiv d_i$), (Joint-Angle \equiv زاویه مفصلی $\equiv \theta_i$) are known as the **Denavit-Hartenberg Link Parameters**.

Manipulator Kinematics

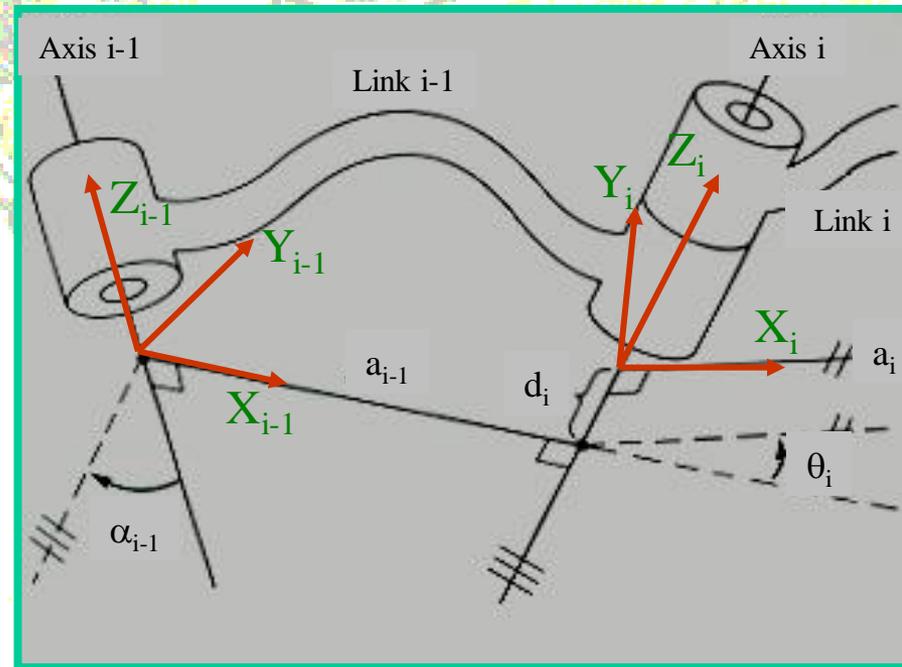
- **Affixing Frames to Links (قرارداد اتصال دستگاه به رابطها):**

➤ To describe relative location of each link to its neighboring link, we shall attach a set of frames to each link in a manipulator in accordance to the following convention (frame {i} is rigidly attached to the link-i):

- ❖ **Intermediate Links (رابطهای میانی):**

1. The Z_i -axis of frame-{i}, called “ Z_i ”, is coincident with the joint axis-i.
2. The origin of frame-{i} is located where the a_i -perpendicular intersects the “i-th” axis.
3. X_i -axis points along “ a_i ” in the direction from joint “i” to joint “i+1”.
4. Y_i -axis is formed by the RHR to complete the “i-th” frame.
5. If the joint axes intersect, $a_i=0$, then X_i -axis is chosen normal to the plane of Z_i and Z_{i+1} .

$$(\hat{X}_i = \pm(\hat{Z}_i \times \hat{Z}_{i+1}))$$

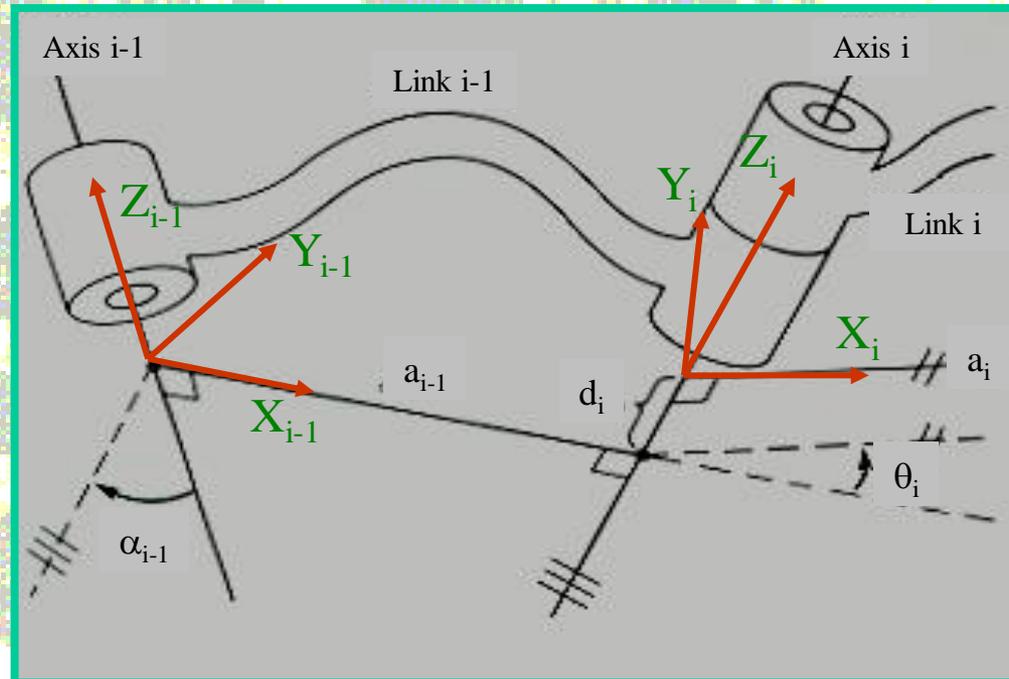


Manipulator Kinematics

- Affixing Frames to Links (قرارداد اتصال دستگاه به رابطها):

- Intermediate Links (رابطهای میانی):

6. a_{i-1} is the distance from Z_{i-1} to Z_i along X_{i-1} .
7. θ_i is the angle of rotation from X_{i-1} to X_i about Z_i .
8. α_{i-1} is the angle between Z_{i-1} and Z_i about X_{i-1} .
9. d_i is the distance from X_{i-1} to X_i along Z_i .



Manipulator Kinematics

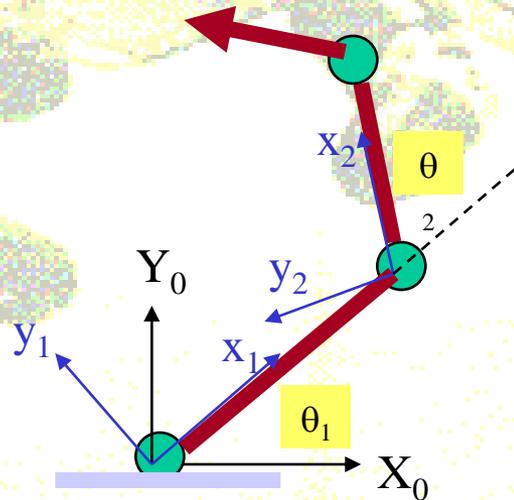
- Affixing Frames to Links (قرارداد اتصال دستگاه به رابطها):

- First and Last Links (رابطهای اول و آخر):

1. First

Attach a frame to the base of the robot (fixed) or link-0, and call it **frame {0}** (reference frame).

Note: Frame {0} is arbitrary, therefore for simplicity choose frame {0} to be coincident with frame {1} when joint variable-1 (i.e. $\theta_1=0$) is zero. Using this convention, $\mathbf{a}_0=0$, $\alpha_0=0$, and $\mathbf{d}_1=0$ (if joint is *revolute*), and $\theta_1=0$ (if joint is *prismatic*).



Manipulator Kinematics

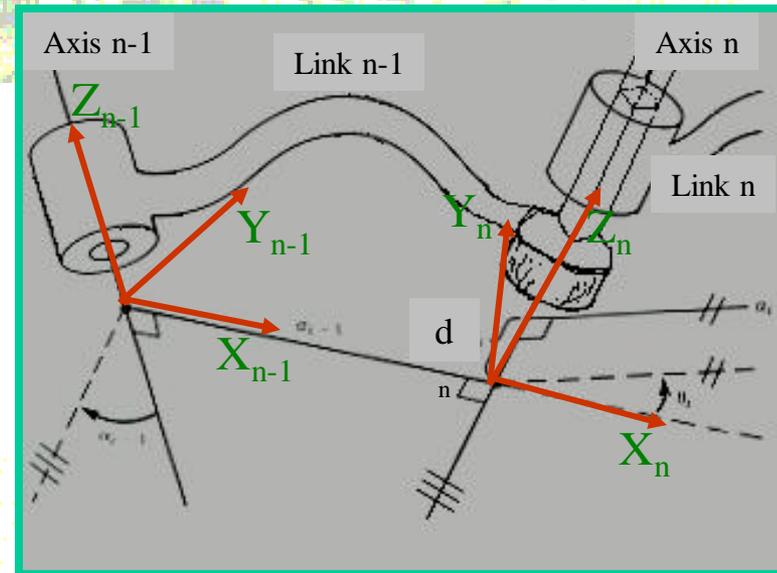
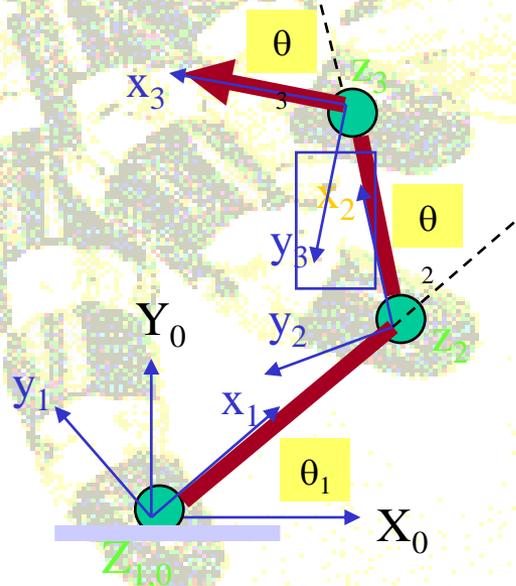
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- **First and Last Links (رابطهای اول و آخر):**

2. Last:

Revolute: If joint- n is revolute, choose the direction of X_n such that it aligns with X_{n-1} when $\theta_n=0$, and the origin of frame $\{n\}$ is chosen so that $d_n=0$.

Prismatic: If joint- n is prismatic, choose the direction of X_n such that $\theta_n=0$ and the origin of frame $\{n\}$ is chosen at the intersection of X_{n-1} and Z_n when $d_n=0$.

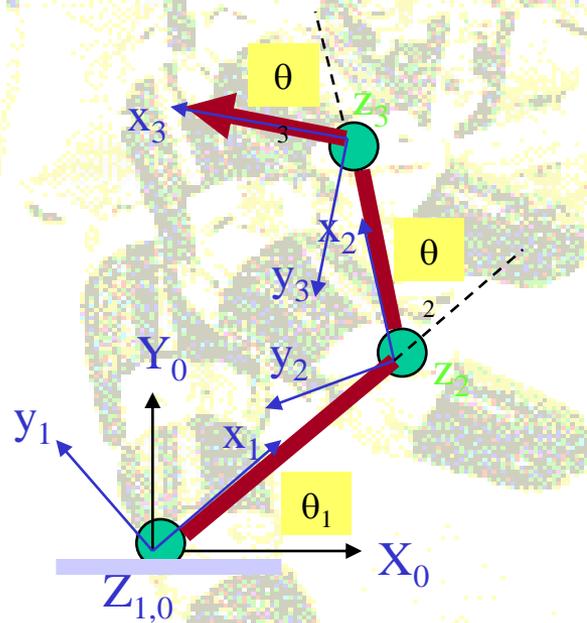


Manipulator Kinematics

- **Affixing Frames to Links (قرارداد اتصال دستگاه به رابطها):**

- **Example: A 3-link planar manipulator**

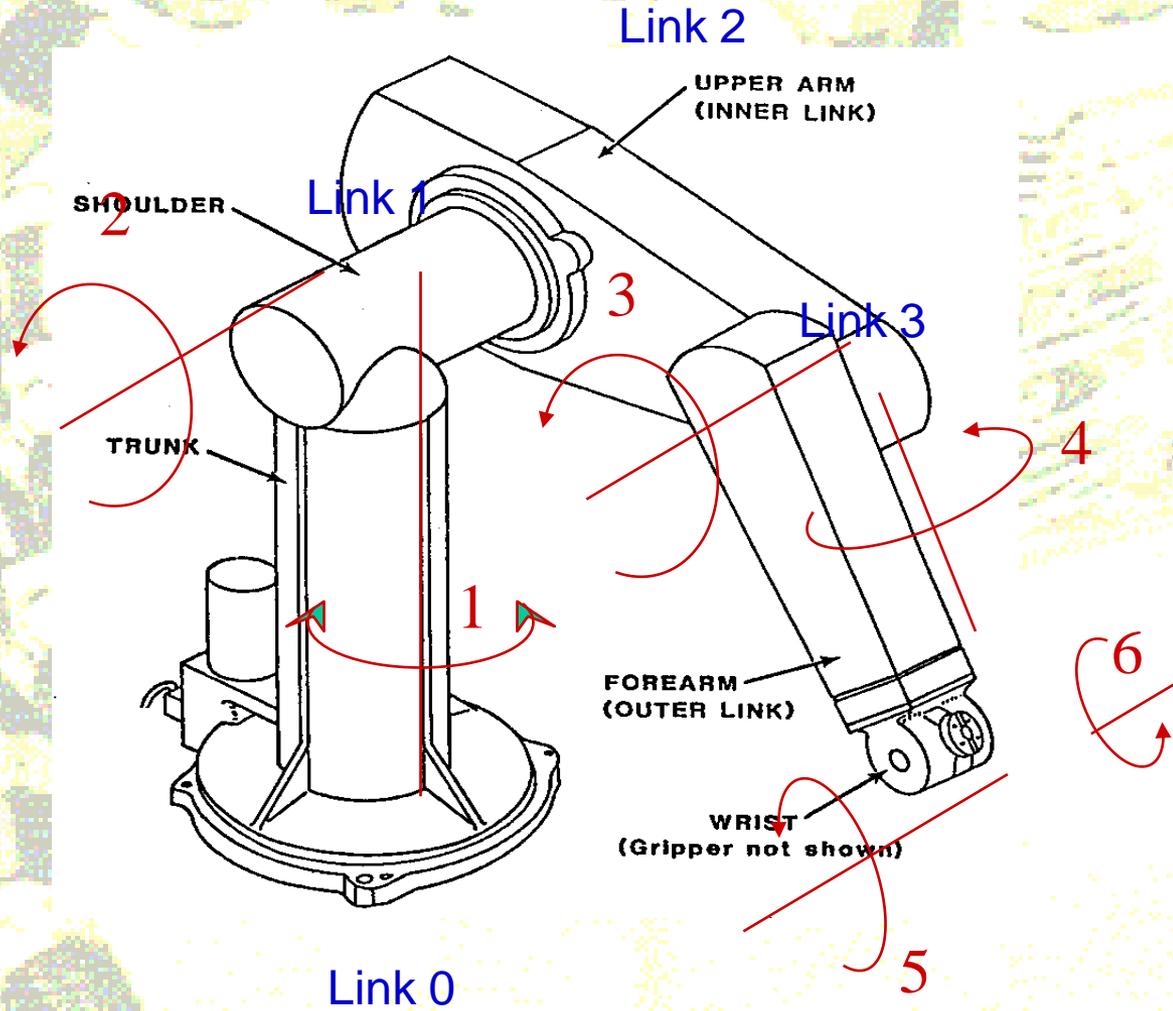
1. Define the reference frame $\{0\}$ so that it aligns with frame $\{1\}$ when $\theta_1=0$.
2. Since the arm is planar, all **Z-axes** are parallel. (No link offsets \Leftrightarrow all $d_i=0$).
3. Since all joints are revolute, when their values are zero, all **X-axes** must align.



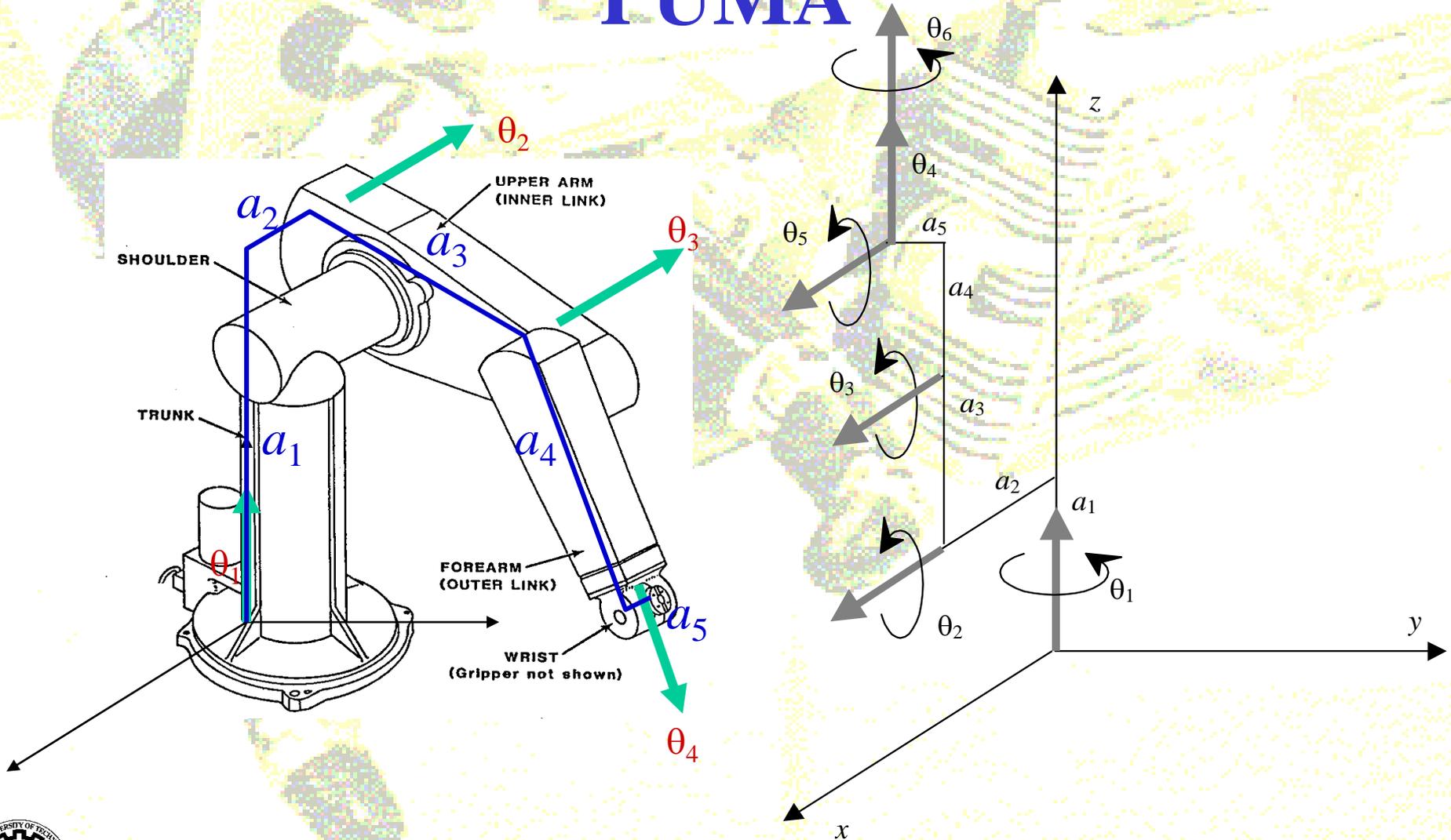
Joint-i	θ_i	α_{i-1}	a_{i-1}	d_i
1	θ_1	$\alpha_0=0$	$a_0=0$	$d_1=0$
2	θ_2	$\alpha_1=0$	$a_1=L_1$	$d_2=0$
3	θ_3	$\alpha_2=0$	$a_2=L_2$	$d_3=0$



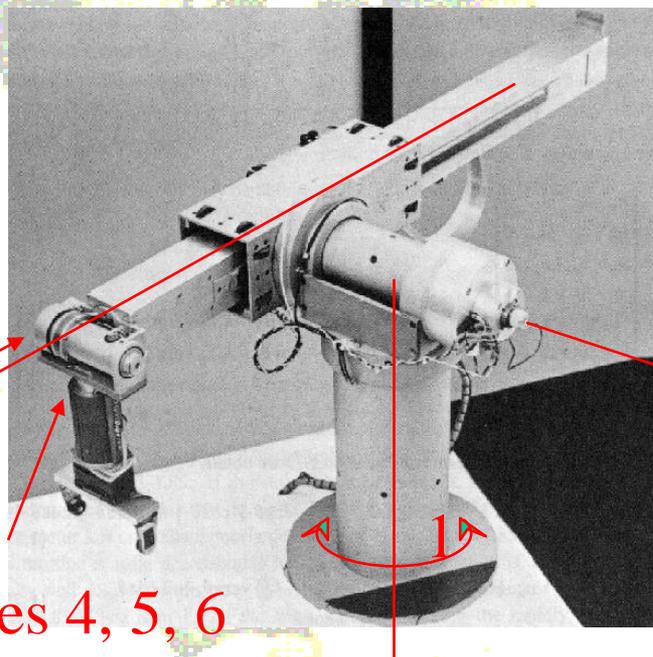
Kinematic Modeling



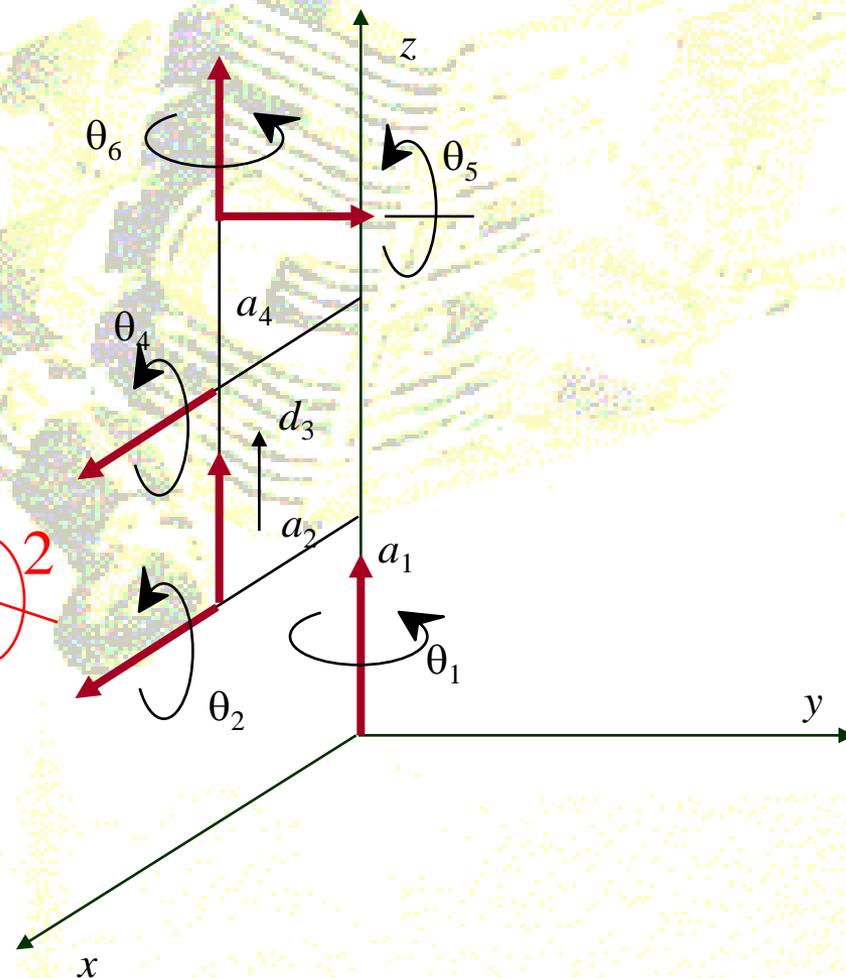
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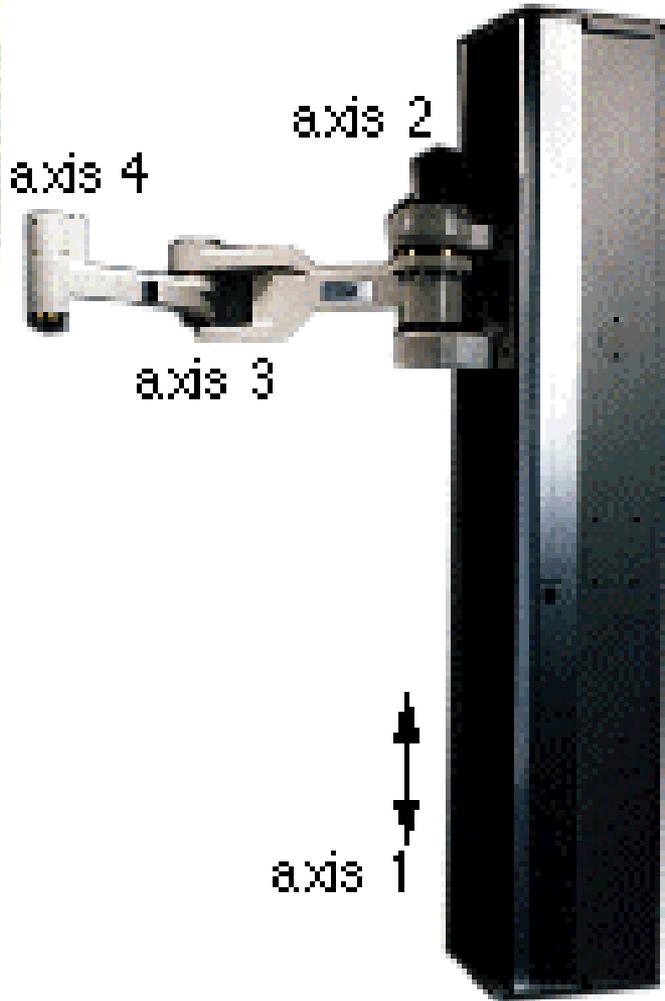
Offsets and Zero Position for the Stanford Arm



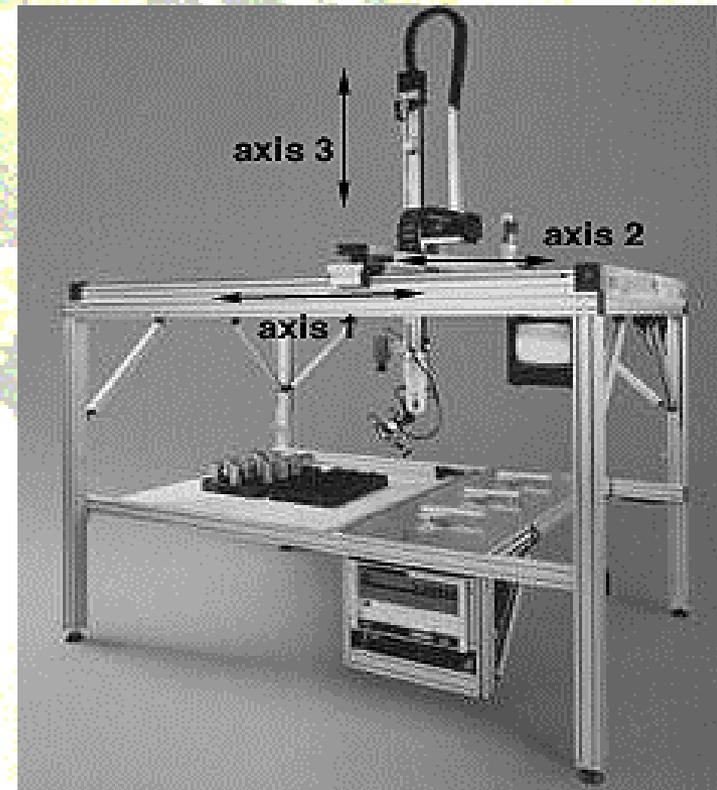
Axes 4, 5, 6



Degrees-of-Freedom



The G365 Gantry robot manipulator (CRS Robotics)



Adept Robot: PRRR manipulator

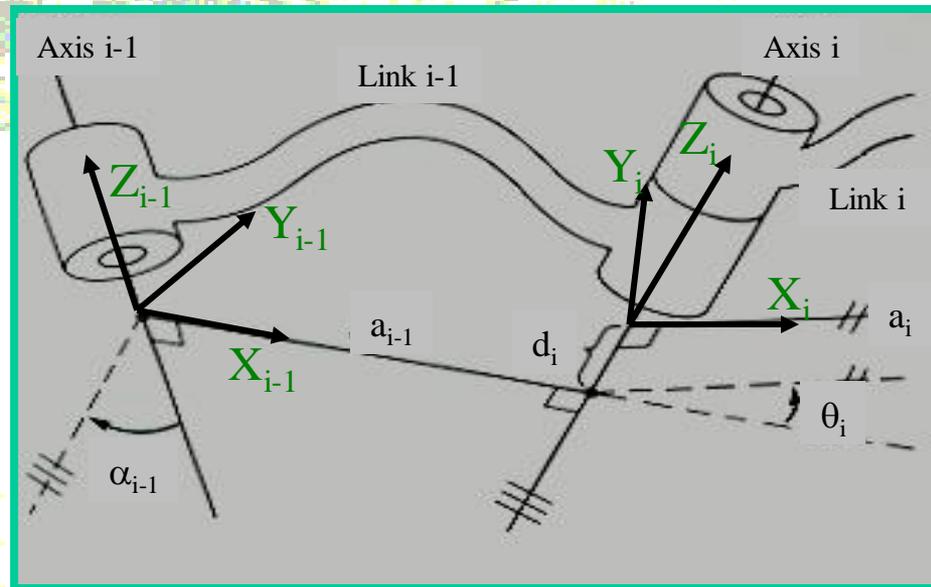


Manipulator Kinematics

- **The “T” Transformation (ماتریس تبدیل-تی):**
 - We shall now derive the *General form of Transformations* which relates frames attached to neighboring links.
 - In general, two neighboring links may be shown as follows:
 - We wish to determine the transformation which defines frame {i} relative to the frame {i-1}.

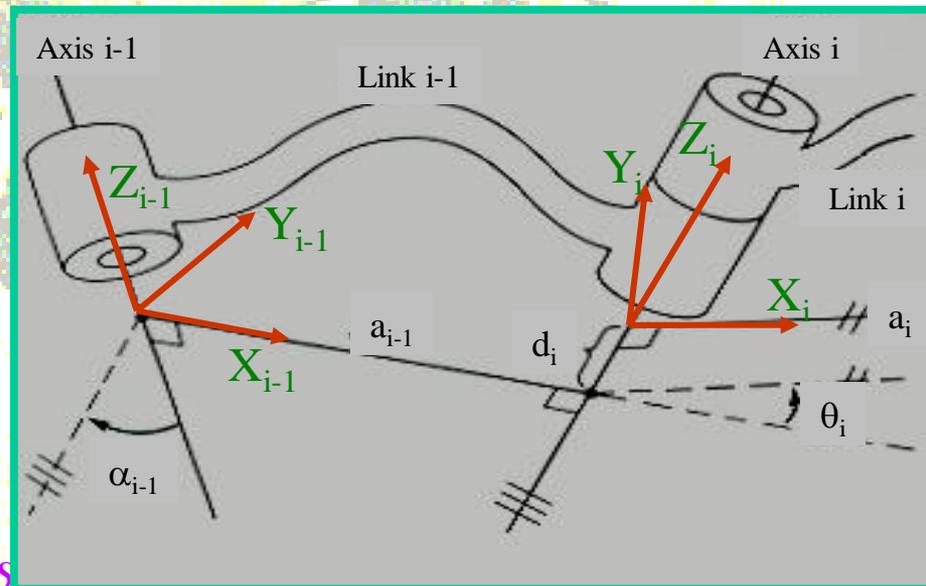
$${}^{i-1}T_i = ? \equiv f(a_{i-1}, \alpha_{i-1}, d_i, \theta_i)$$

- One can easily align frame {i-1} on frame {i} by 4-simple transformations as follows:



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- The “T” Transformation (ماتریس تبدیل-تی):
 1. Rotate frame $\{i-1\}$ about X_{i-1} axis by α_{i-1} to make the Z_{i-1} in the same direction as Z_i . $\text{Rot}(X_{i-1}, \alpha_{i-1})$
 2. Translate along X_{i-1} axis by a_{i-1} to bring the two origins on the same axis Z_i . $\text{Trans}(X_{i-1}, a_{i-1})$
 3. Rotate about Z_i axis by θ_i to make X_{i-1} in the same direction as X_i . $\text{Rot}(Z_i, \theta_i)$
 4. Translate along Z_i axis by d_i to make the two frames completely coincide. $\text{Trans}(Z_i, d_i)$



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- The “T” Transformation (ماتریس تبدیل-تی):

Combining all transformations results in:

$${}^{i-1}T = Rot(\hat{X}_{i-1}, \alpha_{i-1}) Trans(\hat{X}_{i-1}, a_{i-1}) Rot(\hat{Z}_i, \theta_i) Trans(\hat{Z}_i, d_i) \equiv$$
$$\equiv \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_i & -S\theta_i & 0 & a_{i-1} \\ S\theta_i C\alpha_{i-1} & C\theta_i C\alpha_{i-1} & -S\alpha_{i-1} & -S\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ S\theta_i S\alpha_{i-1} & C\theta_i S\alpha_{i-1} & C\alpha_{i-1} & C\alpha_{i-1}d_i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Affixing Frames to Links (قرارداد اتصال دستگاه به رابطها):

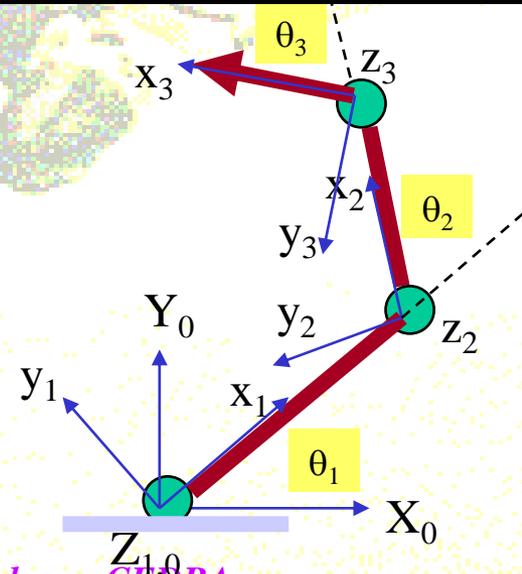
➤ Example: The 3-link planar manipulator

$${}^0_1T = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_1 & -S\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ S\theta_1 & C\theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^1_2T = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_2 & -S\theta_2 & 0 & l_1 \\ S\theta_2 & C\theta_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}^2_3T = \begin{bmatrix} C\theta_3 & -S\theta_3 & 0 & l_2 \\ S\theta_3 & C\theta_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

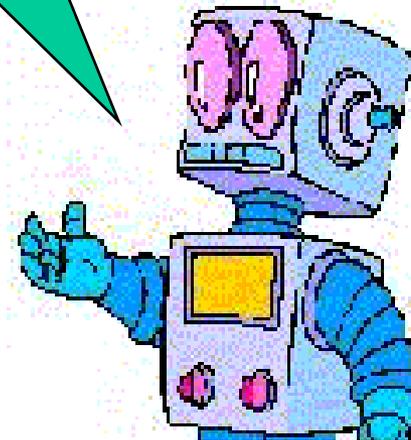
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Direct/Forward Kinematics

Where is my hand?

Direct Kinematics:
HERE!



Manipulator Kinematics

- **Forward Kinematics (سینماتیک مستقیم):**

Given the joint variables ($\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots$), compute the **Position and Orientation of the last link of the manipulator arm relative to the base frame?**

Given:

$${}^{i-1}T_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$${}^0T_n = {}^0T_1 {}^1T_2 {}^2T_3 \dots {}^{n-1}T_n$$

Where: 0T_n is function of n joint variables, and represents the Cartesian position & orientation of the last link relative to base frame.

