# **ORCA Documentation**

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## Getting Started

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ORCA is a c++ whole-body reactive controller meant to compute the desired actuation torque of a robot given some tasks to perform and some constraints.

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## CHAPTER 1

Motivation

## 1.1 Table of Contents

## 1.1.1 Installation and Configuration

This guide will take you through the steps to install ORCA on your machine. ORCA is cross platform so you should be able to install it on Linux, OSX, and Windows.

## **Dependencies**

- A modern c++11 compiler (gcc > 4.8 or clang > 3.8)
- cmake > 3.1
- iDynTree (optional, shipped)
- qpOASES 3 (optional, shipped)
- **Eigen** 3 (optional, shipped)
- Gazebo 8 (optional)

ORCA is self contained! That means that is ships with both **iDynTree** and **qpOASES** inside the project, allowing for fast installations and easy integration on other platforms. Therefore you can start by simply building ORCA from source and it will include the necessary dependencies so you can get up and running.

Always keep in mind that it's better to install the dependencies separately if you plan to use **iDynTree** or **qpOASES** in other projects. For now only **iDynTree** headers appear in public headers, but will be removed eventually to ease the distribution of this library.

If you want to install the dependencies separately please read the following section: *Installing the dependencies*. Otherwise, if you just want to get coding, then jump ahead to *Installing ORCA*.

Note: You can almost always avoid calling sudo, by calling cmake .. -DCMAKE\_INSTALL\_PREFIX=/some/dir and exporting the CMAKE\_PREFIX\_PATH variable: export CMAKE\_PREFIX\_PATH=\$CMAKE\_PREFIX\_PATH:/some/dir.

#### Installing the dependencies

This installation requires you to build the dependencies separately, but will give you better control over versioning and getting the latest features and bug fixes.

## Eigen

```
wget http://bitbucket.org/eigen/eigen/get/3.3.4.tar.bz2
tar xjvf 3.3.4.tar.bz2
cd eigen-eigen-dc6cfdf9bcec
mkdir build; cd build
cmake --build.
sudo cmake --build. --target install
```

#### **qpOASES**

```
wget https://www.coin-or.org/download/source/qpOASES/qpOASES-3.2.1.zip
unzip qpOASES-3.2.1.zip
cd qpOASES-3.2.1
mkdir build; cd build
cmake .. -DCMAKE_CXX_FLAGS="-fPIC" -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release
cmake --build .
sudo cmake --build . --target install
```

#### **iDynTree**

```
git clone https://github.com/robotology/idyntree
cd idyntree
mkdir build; cd build
cmake .. -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release
cmake --build .
sudo cmake --build . --target install
```

## Gazebo

Examples are built with Gazebo 8. They can be adapted of course to be backwards compatible.

```
curl -ssL http://get.gazebosim.org | sh
```

#### Installing ORCA

Whether or not you have installed the dependencies separately, you are now ready to clone, build and install ORCA. Hooray.

```
git clone https://github.com/syroco/orca
cd orca
mkdir build; cd build
cmake .. -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release
cmake --build .
sudo cmake --build . --target install
```

## **Testing your installation**

Assuming you followed the directions to the letter and encountered no compiler errors along the way, then you are ready to get started with ORCA. Before moving on to the *Examples*, check out the *Quick Start Guide* to test your install and awe in the epicness of ORCA!

#### 1.1.2 Quick Start Guide

First off, make sure you have followed the Installation and Configuration guide step by step.

If you have successfully installed ORCA then we can go ahead and try out one of the examples to get things up and running. To do so we will launch the example: 06-trajectory\_following (more info here: *Minimum jerk Cartesian trajectory following*)

This example assumes you have Gazebo >=8.0 installed on your machine. If not please follow the Gazebo tutorial for your system (http://gazebosim.org/tutorials?cat=install) and rebuild the ORCA library.

Once you have Gazebo, to launch the example open a terminal and run:

```
06-trajectory_following [path_to_orca]/examples/resources/lwr.urdf
```

**Important:** Make sure to replace [path\_to\_orca] with the real path to the ORCA repo on your system.

Now, open a second terminal and run:

```
gzclient
```

If everything goes well then you should see the robot moving back and forth like this:

#### What's next?

Check out *Where to go from here?* for more info.

## 1.1.3 Where to go from here?

## Check out the examples

A number of examples have been included in the source code to help you better understand how ORCA works and how you can use it. The examples are grouped based on the concepts they demonstrate. We also provide some examples for using 3rd party libraries together with ORCA.

#### Want to use ORCA in you project?

Check out the *Using ORCA in your projects* page for information on how to include the ORCA library into your next control project.

#### **Check out the API Documentation**

You can find the Doxygen generated API documentation at the following link: *API Documentation*. This will help you navigate the ORCA API for your projects.

#### **ROS or OROCOS user?**

We have written ROS and OROCOS wrappers for the ORCA library and done most of the heavy lifting so you can get started using the contoller right away. To learn more about these projects please check out their respective pages:

ORCA\_ROS: https://github.com/syroco/orca\_ros



RTT\_ORCA: https://github.com/syroco/rtt\_orca (Compatible with ORCA < version 2.0.0)

## 1.1.4 Building the documentation

The ORCA documentation is composed of two parts. The **user's manual** (what you are currently reading) and the **API Reference**. Since ORCA is written entirely in c++ the API documentation is generated with Doxygen. The manual, on the otherhand, is generated with python Sphinx... because frankly it is prettier.

Obviously, you can always visit the url: insert\_url\_here

to read the documentation online, but you can also generate it locally easily thanks to the magical powers of python.

#### How to build

First we need to install some dependencies for python and of course doxygen.

#### Python dependencies

pip3 install -U --user pip sphinx sphinx-autobuild recommonmark sphinx\_rtd\_theme

or if using Python 2.x

```
pip2 install -U --user pip sphinx sphinx-autobuild recommonmark sphinx_rtd_theme
```

## Doxygen

You can always install Doxygen from source by following:

```
git clone https://github.com/doxygen/doxygen.git
cd doxygen
mkdir build
cd build
cmake -G "Unix Makefiles" ..
make
sudo make install
```

but we would recommend installing the binaries.

#### Linux:

```
sudo apt install doxygen
```

#### OSX:

```
brew install doxygen
```

## Windows:

Download the executable file here: http://www.stack.nl/~dimitri/doxygen/download.html and follow the install wizard.

## **Building the docs with Sphinx**

```
cd [orca_root]
cd docs/
make html
```

[orca\_root] is the path to wherever you cloned the repo i.e. /home/\$USER/orca/.

#### How to browse

Since Sphinx builds static websites you can simply find the file docs/build/html/index.html and open it in a browser.

If you prefer to be a fancy-pants then you can launch a local web server by navigating to docs/ and running:

```
make livehtml
```

This method has the advantage of automatically refreshing when you make changes to the .rst files. You can browse the site at: http://127.0.0.1:8000.

## 1.1.5 Using ORCA in your projects

If you want to you ORCA in your project you can either use pure CMake or catkin.

#### **CMake**

```
# You need at least version 3.1 to use the modern CMake targets.
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.1.0)

# Your project's name
project(my_super_orca_project)

# Tell CMake to find ORCA
find_package(orca REQUIRED)

# Add your executable(s) and/or library(ies) and their corresponding source files.
add_executable(${PROJECT_NAME} my_super_orca_project.cc)

# Point CMake to the ORCA targets.
target_link_libraries(${PROJECT_NAME} orca::orca)
```

#### catkin

**Note:** As of now, catkin does not support modern cmake targets and so you have some superfluous cmake steps to do when working with catkin workspaces.

```
# You need at least version 2.8.3 to use the modern CMake targets.
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8.3)

# Your project's name
project(my_super_orca_catkin_project)

# Tell CMake to find ORCA
find_package(orca REQUIRED)

# Tell catkin to find ORCA
find_package(catkin REQUIRED COMPONENTS orca)

# Include the catkin headers
include_directories(${catkin_INCLUDE_DIRS})

# Add your executable(s) and/or library(ies) and their corresponding source files.
add_executable(${PROJECT_NAME} my_super_orca_catkin_project.cc)

# Point CMake to the catkin and ORCA targets.
target_link_libraries(${PROJECT_NAME} ${catkin_LIBRARIES} orca::orca)
```

#### 1.1.6 API Reference

All of the API documentation is autogenerated using Doxygen. Click the link below to be redirected.

#### **API Documentation**

#### 1.1.7 Basic

#### Simple controller

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/basic/01-simple\_controller.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/basic/01-simple\_controller.cc

#### **Objective**

In this example we want to show the basics of using ORCA. Here, we create a minimal controller with one task and some common constraints.

#### Introduction

First we need to include the appropriate headers and use the right namespaces. When you are getting started the easiest solution is to use the helper header orca.h and helper namespace orca::all which include all the necessary headers and opens up all their namespaces. This helps with reducing the verbosity of the examples here but is not recommended for production builds because it will cause code bloat.

```
#include <orca/orca.h>
using namespace orca::all;
```

We then create our main() function...

```
int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
```

and parse the command line arguments:

```
if(argc < 2)
{
    std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -l_ -debug/info/warning/error)" << "\n";
    return -1;
}
std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);</pre>
```

ORCA provides a utility class called Logger which, as its name implies, helps log output. See the API documentation for more information on logging levels.

#### Setup

Now we get to the good stuff. We start by creating a robot model which gives us access to the robot's kinematics and dynamics.

```
auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
robot->loadModelFromFile(urdf_url);
robot->setBaseFrame("base_link");
robot->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81));
```

We first instantiate a shared\_ptr to the class RobotModel. We can pass a robot name, but if we don't, it is extracted from the urdf, which is loaded from a file in robot->loadModelFromFile(urdf\_url); . If the URDF is parsed then we need to set the base frame in which all transformations (e.g. end effector pose) are expressed in robot->setBaseFrame("base\_link");. Finally we manually set the gravity vector robot->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81)); (this is optional).

The next step is to set the initial state of the robot. For your convenience, ORCA provides a helper class called <code>EigenRobotState</code> which stores the whole state of the robot as eigen vectors/matrices. This class is totally optional, it is just meant to keep consistency for the sizes of all the vectors/matrices. You can use it to fill data from either a real robot or simulated robot.

```
EigenRobotState eigState;
eigState.resize(robot->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom());
eigState.jointPos.setZero();
eigState.jointVel.setZero();
robot->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
```

First we resize all the vectors/matrices to match the robot configuration and set the joint positions and velocities to zero. Initial joint positions are often non-zero but we are lazy and setZero() is so easy to type. Finally, we set the robot state, robot->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);. Now the robot is considered 'initialized'.

**Note:** Here we only set q,  $\dot{q}$  because in this example we are dealing with a fixed base robot.

## **Creating the Controller**

With the robot created and initialized, we can construct a Controller:

```
// Instanciate an ORCA Controller
orca::optim::Controller controller(
    "controller"
    ,robot
    ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted
    ,QPSolver::qpOASES
);
```

To do so we pass a name, "controller", the robot model, robot, a ResolutionStrategy, orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted, and a solver, QPSolver::gpOASES.

**Note:** As of now, the only supported solver is qpOASES, however OSQP will be integrated in a future release.

**Note:** Other ResolutionStrategy options include: MultiLevelWeighted, and Generalized. Please be aware that these strategies are not yet officially supported.

If your robot's low level controller takes into account the gravity and coriolis torques already (Like with KUKA LWR) then you can tell the controller to remove these components from the torques computed by the solver. Setting them to

false keeps the components in the solution (this is the default behavior).

```
controller.removeGravityTorquesFromSolution(true);
controller.removeCoriolisTorquesFromSolution(true);
```

## **Adding Tasks**

With the controller created we can now start adding tasks. In this introductory example, we add only a Cartesian acceleration task for the end-effector.

```
auto cart_task = std::make_shared<CartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
controller.addTask(cart_task);
```

A shared\_ptr to a CartesianTask is created with a unique name, CartTask\_EE. The task is then added to the controller to initialize it.

For this task, we want to control link\_7,

```
cart_task->setControlFrame("link_7");
```

#### And set its desired pose:

```
Eigen::Affine3d cart_pos_ref;
cart_pos_ref.translation() = Eigen::Vector3d(1.,0.75,0.5); // x,y,z in meters
cart_pos_ref.linear() = Eigen::Quaterniond::Identity().toRotationMatrix();
```

We also set the desired cartesian velocity and acceleration to zero.

```
Vector6d cart_vel_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
Vector6d cart_acc_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
```

**Note:** Rotation is done with a Matrix3x3 and it can be initialized in a few ways. Note that each of these methods produce equivalent Rotation matrices in this case.

**Example 1:** create a quaternion from Euler anglers ZYZ convention

```
Eigen::Quaterniond quat;
quat = Eigen::AngleAxisd(0, Eigen::Vector3d::UnitZ())
    * Eigen::AngleAxisd(0, Eigen::Vector3d::UnitY())
    * Eigen::AngleAxisd(0, Eigen::Vector3d::UnitZ());
cart_pos_ref.linear() = quat.toRotationMatrix();
```

#### Example 2: create a quaternion from RPY convention

```
cart_pos_ref.linear() = quatFromRPY(0,0,0).toRotationMatrix();
```

#### **Example 3:** create a quaternion from Kuka Convention

```
cart_pos_ref.linear() = quatFromKukaConvention(0,0,0).toRotationMatrix();
```

## Example 4: use an Identity quaternion

```
cart_pos_ref.linear() = Eigen::Quaterniond::Identity().toRotationMatrix();
```

The desired values are set on the servo controller because CartesianTask expects a cartesian acceleration, which is computed automatically by the servo controller.

Now set the servoing PID

```
Vector6d P;
P << 1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10;
cart_task->servoController()->pid()->setProportionalGain(P);
Vector6d D;
D << 100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1;
cart_task->servoController()->pid()->setDerivativeGain(D);
```

#### **Adding Constraints**

Now we add some constraints. We start with a joint torque constraint for all the actuated DoF. To create it we first get the number of actuated joints from the model.

```
const int ndof = robot->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
```

The joint torque limit is usually given by the robot manufacturer and included in most robot descriptions, but for now it is not parsed directly from the URDF - so we need to add it manually.

```
auto jnt_trq_cstr = std::make_shared<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>("JointTorqueLimit");
controller.addConstraint(jnt_trq_cstr);
Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
jnt_trq_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrqMax,jntTrqMax);
```

We first create a shared\_ptr with a unique name, auto jnt\_trq\_cstr = std::make\_shared<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>("JointTorqueLimit"); and add it to the controller.addConstraint(jnt\_trq\_cstr);. We then set the torque limits to  $\pm 200Nm$ .

Contrary to torque limits, joint position limits are automatically extracted from the URDF model. Note that you can set them if you want by simply doing jnt\_pos\_cstr->setLimits(jntPosMin,jntPosMax).

```
auto jnt_pos_cstr = std::make_shared<JointPositionLimitConstraint>("JointPositionLimit
→");
controller.addConstraint(jnt_pos_cstr);
```

Joint velocity limits are usually given by the robot manufacturer but like the torque limits, must be added manually for now.

With the tasks and constraints created and added to the controller, we can begin the control loop.

#### **Control Loop**

The control loop is where the robot model is updated using the current state information from the real or simulated robot, the control problem is formulated and solved, and the resultant joint torques are sent to the robot actuators. For this example, we simply calculate the joint torques  $\tau$  at each control time step and do nothing with them. This is because we are not interacting with a real robot or a simulated robot.

```
double dt = 0.001;
double current_time = 0;
controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
for (; current_time < 2.0; current_time +=dt)</pre>
    // Here you can get the data from your robot (API is robot-specific)
    // Something like :
        // eigState.jointPos = myRealRobot.getJointPositions();
        // eigState.jointVel = myRealRobot.getJointVelocities();
    robot->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
    controller.update(current_time, dt);
    if(controller.solutionFound())
        const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_cmd = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
        // Send torques to the REAL robot (API is robot-specific)
        // myRealRobot.set_joint_torques(trq_cmd);
    }
    else
    {
        // WARNING : Optimal solution is NOT found
        // Perform some fallback strategy (see below)
```

First, since we are manually stepping the time, we initialize the current\_time to zero and the dt=0.001.

The next important step is to activate the tasks and constraints: controller. activateTasksAndConstraints();. This must be done before the controller update is called, or else no solution will be found.

Now that the tasks and constraints are activated, we step into the control loop, which increments current\_time from 0.0 to 2.0 seconds by dt:

```
for (; current_time < 2.0; current_time +=dt)</pre>
```

At the begining of each loop, we must first retrieve the robot's state information so that we can update our robot model being used in the controller. This step depends on the robot-specific API being used and is up to the user to implement.

**Note:** In future examples we demonstrate how to do this with the Gazebo simulator.

After we get the appropriate state information from our robot (in this case, the joint positions and velocities) we update the robot model: robot->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel); . With the model updated we now update the controller, controller.update(current\_time, dt);. The controller update first updates all of the tasks and constraints, then formulates the optimal control problem, then solves said problem. If the controller found a solution to the optimal control problem then controller.

solutionFound() will return true and this tells you that you can get that result and use it to control your robot. Here we extract the optimal control torques, const Eigen::VectorXd& trq\_cmd = controller. getJointTorqueCommand(); and then send them to our robot, using robot specific functions.

**Note:** In this example, we extract only the optimal torques, but you of course have access to the full solution:

```
// The whole optimal solution [AccFb, Acc, Tfb, T, eWrenches]
const Eigen::VectorXd& full_solution = controller.getSolution();
// The optimal joint torque command
const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_cmd = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
// The optimal joint acceleration command
const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_acc = controller.getJointAccelerationCommand();
```

If the controller fails to find a solution to the problem then controller.solutionFound() returns false, and you must implement some **fallback** strategy. By fallback, we mean some strategy to be used when we have no idea what torques to send to the robot. A simple but effective strategy, is to simply brake the robot and stop its motion.

**Important:** If the optimal control problem has no solution it is generally because the tasks and constraints are ill-defined and not because no solution exists. For this reason, one can implement fallback strategies which are slightly more intelligent than simply stopping the robot. For example: - Compute KKT Solution and send to the robot (solutions without inequality constraints) - PID around the current position (to slow to a halt) - Switch controllers - etc.

#### **Shutting Things Down**

Once we are finished using the controller and want to bring everything to a stop, we need to gradually deactivate the tasks and constraints to avoid any erratic behaviors at the end of the motion. To do so, we start by deactivating the tasks and constraints:

```
controller.deactivateTasksAndConstraints();
```

We then need to update the controller so the tasks and constraints can slowly ramp down to total deactivation.

```
while(!controller.tasksAndConstraintsDeactivated())
{
    current_time += dt;
    controller.update(current_time, dt);
}
```

Our controller is now deactivated and can be deleted or destroyed without any issues.

Typically at the end of the execution you would either stop the robot or put it into some robot-specific control mode (position control, gravity compensation, etc.).

#### Conclusion

In this example you have seen all of the necessary steps to getting an ORCA controller up and running. In the next examples we will look at more realistic examples where the controller interacts with a robot/simulation.

#### **Full Code Listing**

```
// This file is a part of the ORCA framework.
   // Copyright 2017, ISIR / Universite Pierre et Marie Curie (UPMC)
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   // Copyright 2018, Fuzzy Logic Robotics
   // Main contributor(s): Antoine Hoarau, Ryan Lober, and
   // Fuzzy Logic Robotics <info@fuzzylogicrobotics.com>
   // ORCA is a whole-body reactive controller framework for robotics.
   // This software is governed by the CeCILL-C license under French law and
   // abiding by the rules of distribution of free software. You can use,
   // modify and/ or redistribute the software under the terms of the CeCILL-C
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   // license as circulated by CEA, CNRS and INRIA at the following URL
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   // "http://www.cecill.info".
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   // modify and redistribute granted by the license, users are provided only
   // with a limited warranty and the software's author, the holder of the
   // economic rights, and the successive licensors have only limited
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   // liability.
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   // In this respect, the user's attention is drawn to the risks associated
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   // with loading, using, modifying and/or developing or reproducing the
   // software by the user in light of its specific status of free software,
   // that may mean that it is complicated to manipulate, and that also
24
   // therefore means that it is reserved for developers and experienced
25
   // professionals having in-depth computer knowledge. Users are therefore
26
   // encouraged to load and test the software's suitability as regards their
27
   // requirements in conditions enabling the security of their systems and/or
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   // data to be ensured and, more generally, to use and operate it in the
   // same conditions as regards security.
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   // The fact that you are presently reading this means that you have had
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   // knowledge of the CeCILL-C license and that you accept its terms.
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   /** @file
   @copyright 2018 Fuzzy Logic Robotics <info@fuzzylogicrobotics.com>
   @author Antoine Hoarau
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   @author Ryan Lober
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41
   #include <orca/orca.h>
42
43
   using namespace orca::all;
44
45
   int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
46
       // Get the urdf file from the command line
47
48
       if(argc < 2)
49
           std::cerr << "Usage : " << arqv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -</pre>
   →1 debug/info/warning/error) " << "\n";</pre>
           return -1;
51
52
       std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
53
```

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```
Parse logger level as --log_level (or -1) debug/warning etc
55
       orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);
56
57
       // Create the kinematic model that is shared by everybody. Here you can pass a.
    →robot name
       auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
59
60
        // If you don't pass a robot name, it is extracted from the urdf
61
       robot_model->loadModelFromFile(urdf_url);
62
63
       // All the transformations (end effector pose for example) will be expressed wrt_
    →this base frame
65
       robot_model->setBaseFrame("base_link");
66
       // Sets the world gravity (Optional)
67
       robot_model->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81));
68
69
       // This is an helper function to store the whole state of the robot as eigen,
    →vectors/matrices. This class is totally optional, it is just meant to keep.
    →consistency for the sizes of all the vectors/matrices. You can use it to fill data.
    → from either real robot and simulated robot.
       RobotState eigState;
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72
       // resize all the vectors/matrices to match the robot configuration
73
       eigState.resize(robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom());
74
       // Set the initial state to zero (arbitrary). @note: here we only set q, qot.
76
    →because this example asserts we have a fixed base robot
       eigState.jointPos.setZero();
77
       eigState.jointVel.setZero();
78
        // Set the first state to the robot
80
       robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
81
       // Now is the robot is considered 'initialized'
82
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84
85
       // Instanciate an ORCA Controller
       orca::optim::Controller controller(
           "controller"
            ,robot_model
88
            ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted
89
            ,QPSolverImplType::qpOASES
90
91
       );
       // Other ResolutionStrategy options: MultiLevelWeighted, Generalized
92
93
94
        // Create the servo controller that the cartesian task needs
95
       auto cart_acc_pid = std::make_shared<CartesianAccelerationPID>("servo_controller
96
    " );
97
       // Set the pose desired for the link_7
       Eigen::Affine3d cart_pos_ref;
100
       // Setting the translational components.
101
       cart_pos_ref.translation() = Eigen::Vector3d(1.,0.75,0.5); // x,y,z in meters
102
103
        // Rotation is done with a Matrix3x3 and it can be initialized in a few ways.
    Note that each of these methods produce equivalent Rotation matrices is continues on extrage)
```

```
105
        // Example 1 : create a quaternion from Euler anglers ZYZ convention
106
        Eigen::Quaterniond quat;
107
        quat = Eigen::AngleAxisd(0, Eigen::Vector3d::UnitZ())
108
             * Eigen::AngleAxisd(0, Eigen::Vector3d::UnitY())
             * Eigen::AngleAxisd(0, Eigen::Vector3d::UnitZ());
110
        cart_pos_ref.linear() = quat.toRotationMatrix();
111
112
        // Example 2 : create a quaternion from RPY convention
113
        cart_pos_ref.linear() = quatFromRPY(0,0,0).toRotationMatrix();
114
115
        // Example 3 : create a quaternion from Kuka Convention
116
117
        cart_pos_ref.linear() = quatFromKukaConvention(0,0,0).toRotationMatrix();
118
        // Example 4 : use an Identity quaternion
119
        cart_pos_ref.linear() = Eigen::Quaterniond::Identity().toRotationMatrix();
120
121
        // Set the desired cartesian velocity and acceleration to zero
122
        Vector6d cart_vel_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
123
        Vector6d cart_acc_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
124
125
        // Now set the servoing PID
126
        Vector6d P;
127
        P << 1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10;
128
        cart_acc_pid->pid()->setProportionalGain(P);
129
130
        Vector6d D;
        D << 100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1;
131
        cart_acc_pid->pid()->setDerivativeGain(D);
132
133
        cart_acc_pid->setControlFrame("link_7");
134
        // The desired values are set on the servo controller. Because cart_task->
135
    → setDesired expects a cartesian acceleration. Which is computed automatically by the
    ⇒servo controller
        cart_acc_pid->setDesired(cart_pos_ref.matrix(),cart_vel_ref,cart_acc_ref);
136
137
        // Cartesian Task
138
        auto cart_task = controller.addTask<CartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
139
140
        // Set the servo controller to the cartesian task
        cart_task->setServoController(cart_acc_pid);
142
        // Get the number of actuated joints
143
        const int ndof = robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
144
145
        // Joint torque limit is usually given by the robot manufacturer
146
        auto int_trq_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>(
147
    →"JointTorqueLimit");
        Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
148
        jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
149
        jnt_trq_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrqMax, jntTrqMax);
150
151
        // Joint position limits are automatically extracted from the URDF model.
152
        // Note that you can set them if you want. by simply doing jnt_pos_cstr->
153
    ⇒ setLimits (jntPosMin, jntPosMax).
        auto int_pos_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointPositionLimitConstraint>(
154
    →"JointPositionLimit");
155
        // Joint velocity limits are usually given by the robot manufacturer
```

```
auto jnt_vel_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointVelocityLimitConstraint>(
157
    → "JointVelocityLimit");
        Eigen::VectorXd jntVelMax(ndof);
158
        jntVelMax.setConstant(2.0);
159
        jnt_vel_cstr->setLimits(-jntVelMax, jntVelMax);
161
162
        double dt = 0.5;
163
        double current_time = 0;
164
165
        controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
166
168
        // If your robot's low level controller takes into account the gravity and,
169
    →coriolis torques already (Like with KUKA LWR) then you can tell the controller to.
    →remove these components from the torques computed by the solver. Setting them to
    → false keeps the components in the solution (this is the default behavior).
        controller.removeGravityTorquesFromSolution(true);
170
        controller.removeCoriolisTorquesFromSolution(true);
171
172
        // Now you can run the control loop
173
        for (; current_time < 2.0; current_time +=dt)</pre>
174
175
            // Here you can get the data from you REAL robot (API is robot-specific)
176
            // Something like :
177
178
                // eigState.jointPos = myRealRobot.getJointPositions();
                // eigState.jointVel = myRealRobot.getJointVelocities();
179
180
            // Now update the internal kinematic model with data from the REAL robot
181
            std::cout << "Setting robot state to : \n"</pre>
182
                << "Joint Pos : " << eigState.jointPos.transpose() << '\n'</pre>
183
                 << "Joint Vel : " << eigState.jointVel.transpose() << '\n';</pre>
184
185
            robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
186
187
            // Step the controller + solve the internal optimal problem
188
            std::cout << "Updating controller...";</pre>
189
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
            std::cout << "OK" << '\n';
192
            // Do what you want with the solution
193
            if(controller.solutionFound())
194
195
                 // The whole optimal solution [AccFb, Acc, Tfb, T, eWrenches]
197
                const Eigen::VectorXd& full_solution = controller.getSolution();
                // The optimal joint torque command
198
                const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_cmd = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
199
                // The optimal joint acceleration command
200
                const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_acc = controller.getJointAccelerationCommand();
201
202
                 // Send torques to the REAL robot (API is robot-specific)
                 //real_tobot->set_joint_torques(trq_cmd);
            }
205
            else
206
207
                 // WARNING : Optimal solution is NOT found
208
                 // Switching to a fallback strategy
```

```
// Typical are :
210
                 // - Stop the robot (robot-specific method)
211
                 // - Compute KKT Solution and send to the robot (dangerous)
212
                 // - PID around the current position (dangerous)
213
214
                 // trq = controller.computeKKTTorques();
215
                 // Send torques to the REAL robot (API is robot-specific)
216
                 // real_tobot->set_joint_torques(trq_cmd);
217
            }
218
        }
219
220
        // Print the last computed solution (just for fun)
221
222
        const Eigen::VectorXd& full_solution = controller.getSolution();
        const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_cmd = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
223
        const Eigen::VectorXd& trg_acc = controller.getJointAccelerationCommand();
224
        std::cout << "Full solution : " << full_solution.transpose() << '\n';</pre>
225
        std::cout << "Joint Acceleration command : " << trq_acc.transpose() << '\n';
226
        std::cout << "Joint Torque command</pre>
                                                     : " << trq_cmd.transpose() << '\n';
227
228
        // At some point you want to close the controller nicely
229
        controller.deactivateTasksAndConstraints();
230
231
232
        // Let all the tasks ramp down to zero
233
        while(!controller.tasksAndConstraintsDeactivated())
234
235
            current_time += dt;
236
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
237
238
239
        // All objets will be destroyed here
24
        return 0;
242
```

#### Simulating the controller performance

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/basic/02-simulating\_results.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/basic/02-simulating\_results.cc

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36
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37
   @author Ryan Lober
38
39
40
   #include <orca/orca.h>
   using namespace orca::all;
42
43
44
45
   int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
46
47
       if(argc < 2)
49
           std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -</pre>
50
   →1 debug/info/warning/error) " << "\n";</pre>
           return -1;
51
52
53
       std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
54
       orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);
55
56
       auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
57
       robot_model->loadModelFromFile(urdf_url);
58
       robot_model->setBaseFrame("base_link");
       robot_model->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81));
       RobotState eigState;
61
       eigState.resize(robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom());
62
       eigState.jointPos.setZero();
63
       eigState.jointVel.setZero();
64
       robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
```

```
66
        orca::optim::Controller controller(
67
            "controller"
68
            ,robot_model
            ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted
            ,QPSolverImplType::qpOASES
71
        );
72
73
        // Create the servo controller that the cartesian task needs
74
        auto cart_acc_pid = std::make_shared<CartesianAccelerationPID>("servo_controller
75
    " );
        // Now set the servoing PID
77
       Vector6d P;
        P << 1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10;
78
        cart_acc_pid->pid()->setProportionalGain(P);
        Vectored D:
80
        D << 100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1;
81
        cart_acc_pid->pid()->setDerivativeGain(D);
82
83
        cart_acc_pid->setControlFrame("link_7");
84
85
        Eigen::Affine3d cart_pos_ref;
86
        cart_pos_ref.translation() = Eigen::Vector3d(1.,0.75,0.5); // x,y,z in meters
87
        cart_pos_ref.linear() = Eigen::Quaterniond::Identity().toRotationMatrix();
88
        // Set the desired cartesian velocity and acceleration to zero
        Vector6d cart_vel_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
91
        Vector6d cart_acc_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
92
93
        // The desired values are set on the servo controller. Because cart_task->
94
    → setDesired expects a cartesian acceleration. Which is computed automatically by the
    ⇒servo controller
       cart_acc_pid->setDesired(cart_pos_ref.matrix(),cart_vel_ref,cart_acc_ref);
95
        // Set the servo controller to the cartesian task
        auto cart_task = controller.addTask<CartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
97
        cart_task->setServoController(cart_acc_pid);
100
        // ndof
101
        const int ndof = robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
102
       auto jnt_trq_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>(
103
    →"JointTorqueLimit");
        Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
104
        jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
105
        jnt_trq_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrqMax, jntTrqMax);
106
107
        auto jnt_pos_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointPositionLimitConstraint>(
108
    →"JointPositionLimit");
109
        auto jnt_vel_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointVelocityLimitConstraint>(
110
    →"JointVelocityLimit");
        Eigen::VectorXd jntVelMax(ndof);
111
        jntVelMax.setConstant(2.0);
112
        jnt_vel_cstr->setLimits(-jntVelMax, jntVelMax);
113
114
115
        controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
116
```

```
// for each task, it calls task->activate(), that can call onActivationCallback()
117
    \rightarrow if it is set.
        // To set it :
118
        // task->setOnActivationCallback([&]()
119
120
                 // Do some initialisation here
121
        // });
122
        // Note : you need to set it BEFORE calling
123
        // controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
124
125
126
127
128
129
        double dt = 0.001;
130
        double current_time = 0.0;
131
        Eigen::VectorXd trq_cmd(ndof);
132
        Eigen::VectorXd acc_new(ndof);
133
134
        controller.update(current_time, dt);
135
        current_time += dt;
136
137
138
        controller.print();
139
140
141
        std::cout << "\n\n\n" << '\n';
        std::cout << "======== " << '\n';
142
        //std::cout << "Initial State:\n" << cart_task->servoController()->
143
    →getCurrentCartesianPose() << '\n';
        std::cout << "Desired State:\n" << cart_pos_ref.matrix() << '\n';</pre>
144
        std::cout << "========" << '\n';
145
        std::cout << "\n\n\n" << '\n';
146
        std::cout << "Begining Simulation..." << '\n';</pre>
147
148
        int print_counter = 0;
149
        for (; current_time < 10.0; current_time +=dt)</pre>
150
151
152
153
            if(print_counter == 100)
154
155
                 std::cout << "Task position at t = " << current_time << "\t---\t" << cart_</pre>
156
    →acc_pid->getCurrentCartesianPose().block(0,3,3,1).transpose() << '\n';
                print_counter = 0;
157
158
            ++print_counter;
159
160
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
161
162
            if(controller.solutionFound())
163
                 trq_cmd = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
165
            }
166
            else
167
168
            {
                 std::cout << "[warning] Didn't find a solution. Stopping simulation." <</pre>
169
    →'\n';
```

```
break;
170
           }
171
172
           acc_new = robot_model->getMassMatrix().ldlt().solve(trq_cmd - robot_model->
173
    →getJointGravityAndCoriolisTorques());
174
           eigState.jointPos += eigState.jointVel * dt + ((acc_new*dt*dt)/2);
175
           eigState.jointVel += acc_new * dt;
176
177
           robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
178
179
181
       std::cout << "Simulation finished." << '\n';</pre>
       std::cout << "\n\n\n" << '\n';
182
       std::cout << "========
                                      =======" << '\n';
183
       //std::cout << "Final State:\n" << cart_task->servoController()->
184
    //std::cout << "Position error:\n" << cart_task->servoController()->
185
    →getCurrentCartesianPose().block(0,3,3,1) - cart_pos_ref.translation() << '\n';
186
187
188
189
       // All objets will be destroyed here
190
       return 0;
```

## 1.1.8 Intermediate

#### An introduction to the ORCA callback system

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/intermediate/02-using\_callbacks.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/intermediate/01-using\_callbacks.cc

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37
   @author Ryan Lober
38
41
   #include <orca/orca.h>
   #include <chrono>
42.
   using namespace orca::all;
43
44
   class TaskMonitor {
45
46
   private:
47
       bool is_activated_ = false;
       bool is_deactivated_ = false;
48
49
50
51
   public:
52
       TaskMonitor ()
           std::cout << "TaskMonitor class constructed." << '\n';</pre>
54
55
       bool isActivated() {return is_activated_;}
56
       bool isDeactivated() {return is_deactivated_;}
57
58
       void onActivation()
59
60
           std::cout << "[TaskMonitor] Called 'onActivation' callback." << '\n';</pre>
61
62
63
       void onActivated()
64
           std::cout << "[TaskMonitor] Called 'onActivated' callback." << '\n';</pre>
           is_activated_ = true;
67
68
69
       void onUpdateEnd(double current_time, double dt)
70
```

```
std::cout << "[TaskMonitor] Called 'onUpdateBegin' callback." << '\n';</pre>
72
            std::cout << " >> current time: " << current_time << '\n';</pre>
73
            std::cout << " >> dt: " << dt << '\n';
74
75
        void onUpdateBegin(double current_time, double dt)
77
78
            std::cout << "[TaskMonitor] Called 'onUpdateEnd' callback." << '\n';</pre>
79
            std::cout << " >> current time: " << current_time << '\n';</pre>
80
            std::cout << " >> dt: " << dt << '\n';
81
82
        void onDeactivation()
83
            std::cout << "[TaskMonitor] Called 'onDeactivation' callback." << '\n';</pre>
85
        }
86
87
        void onDeactivated()
88
89
            std::cout << "[TaskMonitor] Called 'onDeactivated' callback." << '\n';</pre>
90
            is_deactivated_ = true;
91
92
    };
93
94
95
    int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
98
        if(argc < 2)
100
101
            std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -</pre>
102
    →1 debug/info/warning/error) " << "\n";</pre>
            return -1;
103
104
        std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
105
106
107
        orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);
109
        auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
        robot_model->loadModelFromFile(urdf_url);
110
        robot model->setBaseFrame("base link");
111
        robot_model->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81));
112
113
        RobotState eigState;
        eigState.resize(robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom());
114
115
        eigState.jointPos.setZero();
        eigState.jointVel.setZero();
116
        robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
117
118
        orca::optim::Controller controller(
119
             "controller"
120
121
            ,robot_model
            ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted
122
            ,QPSolverImplType::qpOASES
123
        );
124
125
        auto cart_task = std::make_shared<CartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
126
        controller.addTask(cart_task);
127
```

```
cart_task->setControlFrame("link_7"); //
128
        Eigen::Affine3d cart_pos_ref;
129
        cart_pos_ref.translation() = Eigen::Vector3d(1.,0.75,0.5); // x,y,z in meters
130
        cart_pos_ref.linear() = Eigen::Quaterniond::Identity().toRotationMatrix();
131
        Vector6d cart_vel_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
132
        Vector6d cart_acc_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
133
134
        Vector6d P;
135
        P << 1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10;
136
        //cart_task->servoController()->pid()->setProportionalGain(P);
137
       Vector6d D:
138
        D << 100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1;
139
140
        //cart_task->servoController()->pid()->setDerivativeGain(D);
141
        //cart_task->servoController()->setDesired(cart_pos_ref.matrix(),cart_vel_ref,
142
    143
        const int ndof = robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
144
145
       auto jnt_trq_cstr = std::make_shared<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>("JointTorqueLimit
146
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_trq_cstr);
147
        Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
148
        jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
149
        jnt_trq_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrqMax, jntTrqMax);
150
151
       auto jnt_pos_cstr = std::make_shared<JointPositionLimitConstraint>(
152
    → "JointPositionLimit");
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_pos_cstr);
153
154
        auto jnt_vel_cstr = std::make_shared<JointVelocityLimitConstraint>(
155
    →"JointVelocityLimit");
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_vel_cstr);
156
        Eigen::VectorXd jntVelMax(ndof);
157
        jntVelMax.setConstant(2.0);
158
        jnt_vel_cstr->setLimits(-jntVelMax, jntVelMax);
159
160
        double dt = 0.1;
        double current_time = 0.0;
        int delay_ms = 500;
163
164
165
        // The good stuff...
166
        auto task_monitor = std::make_shared<TaskMonitor>();
167
168
       cart_task->onActivationCallback(std::bind(&TaskMonitor::onActivation, task_
169
    →monitor));
       cart task->onActivatedCallback(std::bind(&TaskMonitor::onActivated, task
170
    →monitor)):
        cart_task->onComputeBeginCallback(std::bind(&TaskMonitor::onUpdateBegin, task_
171
    →monitor, std::placeholders::_1, std::placeholders::_2));
       cart_task->onComputeEndCallback(std::bind(&TaskMonitor::onUpdateEnd, task_monitor,
172
    → std::placeholders::_1, std::placeholders::_2));
       cart task->onDeactivationCallback(std::bind(&TaskMonitor::onDeactivation, task
173
    →monitor));
174
        cart_task->onDeactivatedCallback(std::bind(&TaskMonitor::onDeactivated, task_
    →monitor));
```

```
175
        std::cout << "[main] Activating tasks and constraints." << '\n';</pre>
176
        controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
177
        std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(delay_ms));
178
        std::cout << "[main] Starting 'RUN' while loop." << '\n';</pre>
180
        while(!task_monitor->isActivated()) // Run 10 times.
181
182
            std::cout << "[main] 'RUN' while loop. Current time: " << current_time << '\n</pre>
183
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
184
            current_time +=dt;
185
            std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(delay_ms));
186
187
        std::cout << "[main] Exiting 'RUN' while loop." << '\n';</pre>
188
189
        std::cout << "----\n";
190
19
        std::cout << "[main] Deactivating tasks and constraints." << '\n';</pre>
192
        controller.deactivateTasksAndConstraints();
193
        std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(delay_ms));
194
195
        std::cout << "[main] Starting 'DEACTIVATION' while loop." << '\n';</pre>
196
197
        while(!task_monitor->isDeactivated())
198
199
            std::cout << "[main] 'DEACTIVATION' while loop. Current time: " << current_</pre>
200
    →time << '\n';</pre>
201
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
            current_time += dt;
            std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(delay_ms));
        std::cout << "[main] Exiting 'DEACTIVATION' while loop." << '\n';</pre>
205
206
207
        std::cout << "[main] Exiting main()." << '\n';</pre>
208
        return 0;
209
```

#### Using lambda functions in the callbacks

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/intermediate/02-using\_lambda\_callbacks.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/intermediate/02-using\_lambda\_callbacks.cc

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38
39
40
41
   #include <orca/orca.h>
42
   using namespace orca::all;
43
44
   class MinJerkPositionTrajectory {
45
   private:
       Eigen::Vector3d alpha_, sp_, ep_;
46
       double duration_ = 0.0;
47
       double start_time_ = 0.0;
48
       bool first_call_ = true;
49
       bool traj_finished_ = false;
50
51
52
53
   public:
54
       MinJerkPositionTrajectory (double duration)
55
       : duration_(duration)
57
       {
       }
58
59
       bool isTrajectoryFinished() {return traj_finished_;}
60
```

```
void resetTrajectory(const Eigen::Vector3d& start_position, const Eigen::Vector3d&
62
    → end_position)
63
        {
             sp_ = start_position;
             ep_ = end_position;
             alpha_ = ep_ - sp_;
66
             first_call_ = true;
67
            traj_finished_ = false;
68
        }
69
70
        void getDesired (double current_time, Eigen::Vector3d& p, Eigen::Vector3d& v, __
71
    →Eigen::Vector3d& a)
72
             if(first_call_)
73
74
                 start_time_ = current_time;
75
                 first_call_ = false;
76
77
             double tau = (current_time - start_time_) / duration_;
78
             if(tau >= 1.0)
79
80
                 p = ep;
81
                 v = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero();
82
                 a = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero();
83
85
                 traj_finished_ = true;
                 return;
86
             }
87
            p =
                                            sp_ + alpha_ * ( 10*pow(tau, 3.0) - 15*pow(tau, 4.
88
    \rightarrow0) + 6*pow(tau,5.0)
                              );
89
            v = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero() + alpha_ * ( 30*pow(tau, 2.0) - 60*pow(tau, 3.0) + ...
    \rightarrow 30*pow(tau, 4.0));
            a = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero() + alpha_ * ( 60*pow(tau, 1.0) - 180*pow(tau, 2.0) +...
90
    \hookrightarrow120*pow(tau, 3.0));
        }
91
    };
92
93
96
    int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
97
98
        if(argc < 2)
99
100
             std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -</pre>
101
    →1 debug/info/warning/error) " << "\n";</pre>
            return -1;
102
103
        std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
104
105
106
        orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);
107
        auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
108
        robot model->loadModelFromFile(urdf url);
109
        robot_model->setBaseFrame("base_link");
110
        robot_model->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81));
111
112
        RobotState eigState;
```

```
eigState.resize(robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom());
113
        eigState.jointPos.setZero();
114
        eigState.jointVel.setZero();
115
        robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
116
117
        orca::optim::Controller controller(
118
            "controller"
119
            ,robot_model
120
            ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted
121
            ,QPSolverImplType::qpOASES
122
        );
123
124
125
        auto cart_task = std::make_shared<CartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
        controller.addTask(cart_task);
126
        cart_task->setControlFrame("link_7"); //
127
        Eigen::Affine3d cart_pos_ref;
128
        cart_pos_ref.translation() = Eigen::Vector3d(1.,0.75,0.5); // x,y,z in meters
129
        cart_pos_ref.linear() = Eigen::Quaterniond::Identity().toRotationMatrix();
130
        Vector6d cart_vel_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
131
        Vector6d cart_acc_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
132
133
        Vector6d P;
134
        P << 1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10;
135
        //cart_task->servoController()->pid()->setProportionalGain(P);
136
        Vector6d D;
137
138
        D << 100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1;
        //cart_task->servoController()->pid()->setDerivativeGain(D);
139
140
141
        const int ndof = robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
142
143
        auto jnt_trq_cstr = std::make_shared<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>("JointTorqueLimit
144
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_trq_cstr);
145
        Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
146
        jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
147
        jnt_trq_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrqMax,jntTrqMax);
148
149
150
        auto jnt_pos_cstr = std::make_shared<JointPositionLimitConstraint>(
    →"JointPositionLimit");
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_pos_cstr);
151
152
        auto jnt_vel_cstr = std::make_shared<JointVelocityLimitConstraint>(
153
    →"JointVelocityLimit");
154
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_vel_cstr);
        Eigen::VectorXd jntVelMax(ndof);
155
        jntVelMax.setConstant(2.0);
156
        jnt_vel_cstr->setLimits(-jntVelMax, jntVelMax);
157
158
        double dt = 0.001;
159
160
        double current_time = 0.0;
161
        // The good stuff...
162
163
164
        MinJerkPositionTrajectory traj(5.0);
165
        int traj_loops = 0;
        bool exit_control_loop = true;
```

```
Eigen::Vector3d start_position, end_position;
167
168
169
        cart_task->onActivationCallback([](){
170
             std::cout << "Activating CartesianTask..." << '\n';</pre>
17
172
        });
173
        cart_task->onActivatedCallback([&]() {
174
             //start_position = cart_task->servoController()->getCurrentCartesianPose().
175
     \hookrightarrowblock(0,3,3,1);
             end_position = cart_pos_ref.translation();
176
             traj.resetTrajectory(start_position, end_position);
177
178
             std::cout << "CartesianTask activated. Begining trajectory." << '\n';</pre>
        });
179
180
        cart_task->onComputeBeginCallback([&](double current_time, double dt){
181
             Eigen::Vector3d p, v, a;
182
             traj.getDesired(current_time, p, v, a);
183
             cart_pos_ref.translation() = p;
184
             cart_vel_ref.head(3) = v;
185
             cart_acc_ref.head(3) = a;
186
             //cart_task->servoController()->setDesired(cart_pos_ref.matrix(),cart_vel_ref,
187
     188
        });
189
190
         cart_task->onComputeEndCallback([&](double current_time, double dt){
             if (traj.isTrajectoryFinished()
191
192
                 if (traj_loops < 4)</pre>
193
194
                      traj.resetTrajectory(end_position, start_position);
195
                      std::cout << "Changing trajectory direction." << '\n';</pre>
196
                      ++traj_loops;
197
198
                 else
199
200
                      std::cout << "Trajectory looping finished." << '\n';</pre>
201
202
                      exit_control_loop = true;
             }
204
        });
205
206
        cart task->onDeactivationCallback([](){
207
             std::cout << "Deactivating task." << '\n';</pre>
208
        });
210
        cart_task->onDeactivatedCallback([](){
211
             std::cout << "CartesianTask deactivated. Stopping controller" << '\n';</pre>
212
213
        });
214
215
        controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
        // Control loop
217
        while(traj_loops < 4)</pre>
218
219
             controller.update(current_time, dt);
220
             current_time +=dt;
221
```

```
222
         std::cout << "Out of control loop." << '\n';</pre>
223
224
         controller.deactivateTasksAndConstraints();
225
226
227
         while (!controller.tasksAndConstraintsDeactivated())
228
229
             controller.update(current_time, dt);
230
             current_time += dt;
231
232
         return 0;
```

#### 1.1.9 Gazebo

#### Simulating a single robot

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/gazebo/01-single\_robot.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/gazebo/01-single\_robot.cc

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41
   #include <orca/gazebo/GazeboServer.h>
   #include <orca/gazebo/GazeboModel.h>
42.
43
   using namespace orca::gazebo;
44
   int main(int argc, char** argv)
46
47
       // Get the urdf file from the command line
48
       if(argc < 2)
49
50
           std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf" << "\n";
51
           return -1;
52
       std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
54
55
       // Instanciate the gazebo server with de dedfault empty world
56
       // This is equivalent to GazeboServer qz("worlds/empty.world")
57
       GazeboServer s;
58
       // Insert a model onto the server and create the GazeboModel from the return value
59
       // You can also set the initial pose, and override the name in the URDF
60
       auto m = GazeboModel(s.insertModelFromURDFFile(urdf_url));
61
62.
       // This is how you can get the full state of the robot
63
       std::cout << "Model \'" << m.getName() << "\' State :\n" << '\n';
       std::cout << "- Gravity "</pre>
                                                    << m.getGravity().transpose()</pre>
            << '\n';
      std::cout << "- Base velocity\n"</pre>
                                                    << m.getBaseVelocity().transpose()</pre>
66
            << '\n';
      std::cout << "- Tworld->base\n"
67
                                                    << m.getWorldToBaseTransform().</pre>
                  << '\n':
   ⇒matrix()
      std::cout << "- Joint positions "</pre>
                                                    << m.getJointPositions().transpose()</pre>
           << '\n';
       std::cout << "- Joint velocities "</pre>
                                                    << m.getJointVelocities().transpose()...</pre>
69
            << '\n';
       std::cout << "- Joint external torques "</pre>
                                                    << m.getJointExternalTorques().</pre>
70
   →transpose() << '\n';</pre>
       71
   →transpose() << '\n';</pre>
72
       // You can optionally register a callback that will be called
73
       // after every WorldUpdateEnd, so the internal gazebo model is updated
74
       // and you can get the full state (q, qdot, Tworld->base, etc)
75
       m.executeAfterWorldUpdate([&](uint32_t n_iter,double current_time,double dt)
76
```

```
std::cout << "[" << m.getName() << "]" << '\n'
78
                << "- iteration
                                 " << n iter << '\n'
79
                << "- current time " << current_time << '\n'
80
                                    " << dt << '\n';
                << "- dt
            // Example : get the minimal state
82
           const Eigen::VectorXd& q = m.getJointPositions();
83
           const Eigen::VectorXd& qdot = m.getJointVelocities();
84
85
           std::cout << "ExtTrq " << m.getJointExternalTorques().transpose() << '\n';</pre>
86
           std::cout << "MeaTrq " << m.getJointMeasuredTorques().transpose() << '\n';</pre>
87
       });
88
       // Run the main simulation loop.
       // This is a blocking call that runs the simulation steps
91
       // It can be stopped by CTRL+C
92
       // You can optionally add a callback that happends after WorldUpdateEnd
93
       s.run();
94
       return 0;
95
```

#### Simulating multiple robots

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/gazebo/02-multi\_robot.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/gazebo/02-multi\_robot.cc

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41
   #include <orca/gazebo/GazeboModel.h>
42
43
   using namespace orca::gazebo;
44
   using namespace Eigen;
45
46
   int main(int argc, char** argv)
47
48
        // Get the urdf file from the command line
       if(argc < 2)
50
       {
51
           std::cerr << "Usage : " << arqv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf" << "\n";</pre>
52
           return -1:
53
54
       std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
55
56
       // Instanciate the gazebo server with de dedfault empty world
57
       // This is equivalent to GazeboServer qz("worlds/empty.world")
58
       GazeboServer gz_server;
59
60
       // Insert a model onto the server and create the GazeboModel from the return value
61
62
       // You can also set the initial pose, and override the name in the URDF
       auto qz_model_one = GazeboModel(qz_server.insertModelFromURDFFile(urdf_url
63
           , Vector3d(-2, 0, 0)
64
           ,quatFromRPY(0,0,0)
65
            , "one"));
66
67
       // Insert a second model with a different pose and a different name
68
       auto gz_model_two = GazeboModel(gz_server.insertModelFromURDFFile(urdf_url
69
            , Vector3d(2,0,0)
70
           ,quatFromRPY(0,0,0)
71
            ,"two"));
72.
73
       // You can optionally register a callback for each GazeboModel so you can do.
   →individual updates on it
       // The function is called after every WorldUpdateEnd, so the internal gazebo...
75
   →model is updated
       // and you can get the full state (q,qdot,Tworld->base, etc)
76
       qz_model_two.executeAfterWorldUpdate([&](uint32_t n_iter, double current_time,
    →double dt)
```

```
78
           std::cout << "gz_model_two \'" << gz_model_two.getName() << "\' callback " <<
79
   " << n_iter << '\n'
               << "- iteration
80
               << "- current time " << current_time << '\n'
81
                                  " << dt << '\n';
               << "- dt
82
           // Example : get the joint positions
83
           // gz_model_two.getJointPositions()
84
       });
85
86
       // Run the main simulation loop.
87
       // This is a blocking call that runs the simulation steps
88
89
       // It can be stopped by CTRL+C
       // You can optionally add a callback that happends after WorldUpdateEnd
90
       gz_server.executeAfterWorldUpdate([&](uint32_t n_iter,double current_time,double_
91
   -d+)
92
       {
           std::cout << "GazeboServer callback " << '\n'</pre>
93
               94
               << "- current time " << current_time << '\n'
95
                                  " << dt << '\n';
96
       });
97
       gz_server.run();
       return 0;
```

#### Set robot state

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/gazebo/03-set\_robot\_state.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/gazebo/03-set\_robot\_state.cc

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38
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42
   #include <orca/gazebo/GazeboModel.h>
44
   using namespace orca::all;
45
   using namespace orca::gazebo;
46
47
   int main(int argc, char** argv)
48
49
       // Get the urdf file from the command line
50
       if(argc < 2)
51
52
           std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf" << "\n";
53
           return -1;
54
55
       std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
57
       // Instanciate the gazebo server with de dedfault empty world
58
       GazeboServer qz_server(argc, argv);
59
       // This is equivalent to GazeboServer qz("worlds/empty.world")
60
       // Insert a model onto the server and create the GazeboModel from the return value
61
       // You can also set the initial pose, and override the name in the URDF
62
       auto gz_model = GazeboModel(gz_server.insertModelFromURDFFile(urdf_url));
63
64
       // Create an ORCA robot
65
       auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
66
       robot_model->loadModelFromFile(urdf_url);
67
       robot_model->print();
68
       // Update the robot on at every iteration
70
       qz_model.executeAfterWorldUpdate([&](uint32_t n_iter,double current_time,double)
71
   dt)
72
       {
           std::cout << "Gazebo iteration " << n_iter << " current time: " << current_
                                                                               (continues on next page)
    →time << " dt: " << dt << '\n';</pre>
```

```
74
            robot_model->setRobotState(qz_model.getWorldToBaseTransform().matrix()
75
                                 ,gz_model.getJointPositions()
76
                                 ,gz_model.getBaseVelocity()
                                 , gz_model.getJointVelocities()
                                 ,gz_model.getGravity()
                             );
80
       });
81
82
       // Run the main simulation loop.
83
       // This is a blocking call that runs the simulation steps
84
       // It can be stopped by CTRL+C
       // You can optionally add a callback that happends after WorldUpdateEnd
       qz_server.run();
87
       return 0;
88
```

#### Set robot state with gravity compensation

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/gazebo/04-set\_robot\_state\_gravity\_compensation.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/gazebo/04-set\_robot\_state\_gravity\_compensation.cc

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42
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43
   using namespace orca::all;
45
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46
47
   int main(int argc, char** argv)
48
40
       // Get the urdf file from the command line
50
       if(argc < 2)
51
52
53
           std::cerr << "Usage : " << arqv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf" << "\n";</pre>
           return -1;
54
55
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       auto gz_model = GazeboModel(gz_server.insertModelFromURDFFile(urdf_url));
63
64
       // Create an ORCA robot
       auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
66
       robot model->loadModelFromFile(urdf url);
67
       robot_model->print();
68
69
       // Set the gazebo model init pose
70
       // auto joint_names = robot_model->getJointNames();
71
       // std::vector<double> init_joint_positions(robot_model->
72.
   → getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom(),0);
73
       // gz_model.setModelConfiguration(joint_names,init_joint_positions);
74
       // or like this
75
       // gz_model.setModelConfiguration({"joint_2", "joint_5"}, {1.5,0.0});
77
       // Update the robot on at every iteration
78
       qz_model.executeAfterWorldUpdate([&](uint32_t n_iter,double current_time,double)
   dt)
80
       {
           robot_model->setRobotState(qz_model.getWorldToBaseTransform().matrix()
81
```

```
, qz_model.getJointPositions()
82
                                 , gz_model.getBaseVelocity()
83
                                 , gz_model.getJointVelocities()
84
                                 ,gz_model.getGravity()
                             );
           gz_model.setJointGravityTorques(robot_model->getJointGravityTorques());
87
       });
88
89
       // Run the main simulation loop.
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       // It can be stopped by CTRL+C
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       // You can optionally add a callback that happends after WorldUpdateEnd
       std::cout << "Simulation running... (GUI with \'gzclient\')" << "\n";</pre>
       qz_server.run();
95
       return 0;
96
```

#### Using Gazebo to simulate an ORCA controller

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/gazebo/05-orca\_gazebo.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/gazebo/05-orca\_gazebo.cc

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   using namespace orca::all;
45
   using namespace orca::gazebo;
46
47
48
40
   int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
50
51
52
       if(argc < 2)
53
            std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -
54
    →1 debug/info/warning/error) " << "\n";</pre>
           return -1;
55
56
       std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
57
58
       GazeboServer qz_server(argc,argv);
59
       auto gz_model = GazeboModel(gz_server.insertModelFromURDFFile(urdf_url));
60
       gz_model.setModelConfiguration( { "joint_0", "joint_3", "joint_5"} , {1.0,-M_PI/2.,
61
    \hookrightarrowM_PI/2.});
62
       orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);
64
       auto robot model = std::make shared<RobotModel>();
65
       robot model->loadModelFromFile(urdf url);
66
       robot_model->setBaseFrame("base_link");
67
68
       robot_model->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81));
70
       orca::optim::Controller controller(
71
            "controller"
72
            ,robot_model
73
            ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted
74
75
            ,QPSolverImplType::qpOASES
       );
77
78
       auto cart_acc_pid = std::make_shared<CartesianAccelerationPID>("servo_controller
79
    ");
       cart_acc_pid->pid()->setProportionalGain({1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10});
```

```
cart_acc_pid->pid()->setDerivativeGain({100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1});
81
        cart_acc_pid->setControlFrame("link_7");
82
83
        auto cart_task = controller.addTask<CartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
84
        cart_task->setServoController(cart_acc_pid);
86
        const int ndof = robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
87
88
        auto jnt_trq_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>(
29
    →"JointTorqueLimit");
       Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
        jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
        jnt_trq_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrqMax, jntTrqMax);
93
        auto jnt_pos_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointPositionLimitConstraint>(
    →"JointPositionLimit");
        auto jnt_vel_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointVelocityLimitConstraint>(
    →"JointVelocityLimit");
        jnt_vel_cstr->setLimits(Eigen::VectorXd::Constant(ndof,-2.0),
97
    →Eigen::VectorXd::Constant(ndof,2.0));
98
        // Lets decide that the robot is gravity compensated
100
        // So we need to remove G(q) from the solution
101
102
        controller.removeGravityTorquesFromSolution(true);
        qz_model.executeAfterWorldUpdate([&](uint32_t n_iter,double current_time,double)
103
    dt)
104
            robot_model->setRobotState(gz_model.getWorldToBaseTransform().matrix()
105
                                  , gz_model.getJointPositions()
                                  , gz_model.getBaseVelocity()
                                  , gz_model.getJointVelocities()
108
                                  ,qz_model.getGravity()
109
                             );
110
            // Compensate the gravity at least
111
            gz_model.setJointGravityTorques(robot_model->getJointGravityTorques());
112
            // All tasks need the robot to be initialized during the activation phase
            if(n_iter == 1)
                controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
115
116
117
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
118
            if(controller.solutionFound())
119
120
                gz_model.setJointTorqueCommand( controller.getJointTorqueCommand() );
121
122
            else
123
124
            {
                gz_model.setBrakes(true);
125
126
        });
127
128
        std::cout << "Simulation running... (GUI with \'gzclient\')" << "\n";</pre>
129
130
        // If you want to pause the simulation before starting it uncomment these lines
131
        // Note that to unlock it either open 'gzclient' and click on the play button
132
```

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42

```
// Or open a terminal and type 'gz world -p false'
//
std::cout << "Gazebo is paused, open gzclient to unpause it or type 'gz world -p_
+false' in a new terminal" << '\n';
gazebo::event::Events::pause.Signal(true);

gz_server.run();
return 0;

}
```

#### Minimum jerk Cartesian trajectory following

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/gazebo/06-trajectory\_following.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/gazebo/06-trajectory\_following.cc

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43
   using namespace orca::all;
46
   using namespace orca::gazebo;
47
   class MinJerkPositionTrajectory {
48
   private:
49
       Eigen::Vector3d alpha_, sp_, ep_;
50
       double duration_ = 0.0;
51
       double start_time_ = 0.0;
52
       bool first_call_ = true;
53
       bool traj_finished_ = false;
54
55
   public:
56
       MinJerkPositionTrajectory (double duration)
57
       : duration_(duration)
       {
60
61
       bool isTrajectoryFinished() {return traj_finished_;}
62
63
       void resetTrajectory(const Eigen::Vector3d& start_position, const Eigen::Vector3d&
    → end_position)
       {
65
            sp_ = start_position;
66
            ep_ = end_position;
67
            alpha_ = ep_ - sp_;
68
            first_call_ = true;
69
            traj_finished_ = false;
71
       }
72
       void getDesired(double current_time, Eigen::Vector3d& p, Eigen::Vector3d& v,_
73
   →Eigen::Vector3d& a)
74
       {
            if(first_call_)
75
76
                start_time_ = current_time;
77
                first_call_ = false;
78
79
            double tau = (current_time - start_time_) / duration_;
80
            if(tau >= 1.0)
81
82
                p = ep_;
83
                v = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero();
84
                a = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero();
85
86
                traj_finished_ = true;
87
88
                return;
```

```
}
89
            p = sp_+ + alpha_* * (10*pow(tau, 3.0) - 15*pow(tau, 4.0) + 6*pow(tau, 5.0)
                                                                                               ) ;
90
            v = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero() + alpha_ * (30*pow(tau,2.0) - 60*pow(tau,3.0) +_
91
    \rightarrow 30*pow(tau, 4.0));
            a = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero() + alpha_ * ( 60*pow(tau,1.0) - 180*pow(tau,2.0) +_
92
    \rightarrow120*pow(tau,3.0));
        }
93
    };
94
95
    int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
97
        if(argc < 2)
100
            std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -</pre>
101
    →1 debug/info/warning/error) " << "\n";</pre>
            return -1:
102
103
        std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
104
105
        orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);
106
107
        auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>();
108
        robot_model->loadModelFromFile(urdf_url);
109
        robot_model->setBaseFrame("base_link");
110
111
        robot_model->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81));
112
        orca::optim::Controller controller(
113
             "controller"
114
            ,robot_model
115
             ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted
116
117
            ,QPSolverImplType::qpOASES
        );
118
119
        const int ndof = robot model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
120
121
122
        auto joint_pos_task = controller.addTask<JointAccelerationTask>("JointPosTask");
123
        // Eigen::VectorXd P(ndof);
125
        // P.setConstant(100);
126
        joint_pos_task->pid()->setProportionalGain(Eigen::VectorXd::Constant(ndof, 100));
127
128
        // Eigen::VectorXd I(ndof);
129
130
        // I.setConstant(1);
        joint_pos_task->pid()->setDerivativeGain(Eigen::VectorXd::Constant(ndof, 1));
131
132
        // Eigen::VectorXd windupLimit(ndof);
133
        // windupLimit.setConstant(10);
134
        joint_pos_task->pid()->setWindupLimit(Eigen::VectorXd::Constant(ndof, 10));
135
136
        // Eigen::VectorXd D(ndof);
137
        // D.setConstant(10);
138
        joint_pos_task->pid()->setDerivativeGain(Eigen::VectorXd::Constant(ndof, 10));
139
140
141
        joint_pos_task->setWeight(1.e-6);
142
```

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```
143
        auto cart_acc_pid = std::make_shared<CartesianAccelerationPID>("CartTask_EE-servo_
144
    →controller");
145
        Vector6d P;
        P << 1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10;
        cart_acc_pid->pid()->setProportionalGain(P);
        Vector6d D;
148
        D << 100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1;
149
        cart_acc_pid->pid()->setDerivativeGain(D);
150
        cart_acc_pid->setControlFrame("link_7");
151
152
        auto cart_task = controller.addTask<CartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
153
154
        cart_task->setServoController(cart_acc_pid);
155
156
157
        auto jnt_trq_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>(
158
    →"JointTorqueLimit");
        Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
159
        jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
160
        jnt_trg_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrgMax, jntTrgMax);
161
162
        auto jnt_pos_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointPositionLimitConstraint>(
163
    →"JointPositionLimit");
164
165
        auto jnt_vel_cstr = controller.addConstraint<JointVelocityLimitConstraint>(
    →"JointVelocityLimit");
        Eigen::VectorXd jntVelMax(ndof);
166
        jntVelMax.setConstant(2.0);
167
        jnt_vel_cstr->setLimits(-jntVelMax, jntVelMax);
168
        GazeboServer gzserver(argc, argv);
        auto gz_model = GazeboModel(gzserver.insertModelFromURDFFile(urdf_url));
171
        qz_model.setModelConfiguration( { "joint_0", "joint_3", "joint_5"} , {1.0,-M_PI/2.,
172
    \hookrightarrow M_PI/2.
173
174
        175
177
178
       MinJerkPositionTrajectory traj(5.0);
179
        int traj_loops = 0;
180
        Eigen::Vector3d start_position, end_position;
181
182
        Eigen::VectorXd controller_torques(ndof);
        Eigen::Affine3d desired_cartesian_pose;
183
        Vector6d desired_cartesian_vel = Vector6d::Zero();
184
        Vector6d desired_cartesian_acc = Vector6d::Zero();
185
186
        cart_task->onActivationCallback([](){
187
188
            std::cout << "Activating CartesianTask..." << '\n';</pre>
        });
189
190
        cart task->onActivatedCallback([&](){
191
192
            desired_cartesian_pose = cart_acc_pid->getCurrentCartesianPose();
            Eigen::Quaterniond quat = orca::math::quatFromRPY(M_PI,0,0); // make it point...
193
    \rightarrowto the table
```

```
desired_cartesian_pose.linear() = quat.toRotationMatrix();
194
195
            start_position = desired_cartesian_pose.translation();
196
            end_position = start_position + Eigen::Vector3d(0,-0.35,-.3);
197
            traj.resetTrajectory(start_position, end_position);
        });
199
200
        cart_task->onComputeBeginCallback([&](double current_time, double dt){
201
            if (cart_task->getState() == TaskBase::State::Activated)
202
203
                 Eigen:: Vector3d p, v, a;
204
                 traj.getDesired(current_time, p, v, a);
206
                 desired_cartesian_pose.translation() = p;
207
                 desired cartesian vel.head(3) = v_i
208
                 desired_cartesian_acc.head(3) = a;
209
210
                 cart_acc_pid->setDesired(desired_cartesian_pose.matrix(),desired_
211
    212
        });
213
214
        cart_task->onComputeEndCallback([&](double current_time, double dt){
215
            if (cart_task->getState() == TaskBase::State::Activated)
216
217
218
                 if (traj.isTrajectoryFinished() )
219
                     if (traj_loops < 10)</pre>
220
221
                          // flip start and end positions.
222
223
                          auto ep = end_position;
                          end_position = start_position;
224
                          start_position = ep;
225
                          traj.resetTrajectory(start_position, end_position);
226
                          std::cout << "Changing trajectory direction. [" << traj_loops <<</pre>
227
       of 10]" << '\n';
228
                          ++traj_loops;
                     }
                     else
231
                          std::cout << "Trajectory looping finished. Deactivating task and_</pre>
232
    →starting gravity compensation." << '\n';</pre>
                          cart_task->deactivate();
233
234
235
236
        });
237
238
        cart_task->onDeactivationCallback([&]() {
239
            std::cout << "Deactivating task." << '\n';</pre>
240
            std::cout << "\n\n\n" << '\n';
241
            std::cout << "Last controller_torques:\n" << controller_torques << '\n';</pre>
242
243
244
        cart_task->onDeactivatedCallback([&]() {
245
            std::cout << "CartesianTask deactivated." << '\n';</pre>
246
        });
```

```
248
249
        // Lets decide that the robot is gravity compensated
250
        // So we need to remove G(q) from the solution
251
        controller.removeGravityTorquesFromSolution(true);
252
        gz_model.executeAfterWorldUpdate([&](uint32_t n_iter,double current_time,double_
253
    →dt)
254
            robot_model->setRobotState(gz_model.getWorldToBaseTransform().matrix()
255
                                  ,gz_model.getJointPositions()
256
                                  ,gz_model.getBaseVelocity()
257
                                  ,gz_model.getJointVelocities()
258
                                  , gz_model.getGravity()
259
                              );
260
            gz_model.setJointGravityTorques(robot_model->getJointGravityTorques());
261
            // All tasks need the robot to be initialized during the activation phase
262
            if(n_iter == 1)
                 controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
265
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
266
267
            if(controller.solutionFound())
268
269
                 controller_torques = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
270
                 gz_model.setJointTorqueCommand( controller_torques );
271
272
            else
273
274
275
                 gz_model.setBrakes(true);
276
        });
277
278
        std::cout << "Simulation running... (GUI with \'gzclient\')" << '\n';</pre>
279
        // If you want to pause the simulation before starting it uncomment these lines
280
        // Note that to unlock it either open 'gzclient' and click on the play button
281
        // Or open a terminal and type 'gz world -p false'
282
283
        std::cout << "Gazebo is paused, open gzclient to unpause it or type 'gz world -p_</pre>
    →false' in a new terminal" << '\n';</pre>
        gazebo::event::Events::pause.Signal(true);
285
286
287
        gzserver.run();
        return 0;
288
```

#### 1.1.10 Plotting

#### Using the internal plotting tools

**Note:** The source code for this example can be found in [orca\_root]/examples/plotting/01-plotting\_torques.cc, or alternatively on github at: https://github.com/syroco/orca/blob/dev/examples/plotting/01-plotting\_torques.cc

#### **Full Code Listing**

```
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38
39
40
   #include <orca/orca.h>
41
   #include <matplotlibcpp/matplotlibcpp.h>
42.
   using namespace orca::all;
43
44
   namespace plt = matplotlibcpp;
46
   int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
47
48
       // Get the urdf file from the command line
49
       if(argc < 2)
50
51
           std::cerr << "Usage : " << argv[0] << " /path/to/robot-urdf.urdf (optionally -</pre>
52
   →1 debug/info/warning/error) " << "\n";</pre>
           return -1;
53
       }
```

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```
std::string urdf_url(argv[1]);
55
56
       // Parse logger level as --log_level (or -1) debug/warning etc
57
       orca::utils::Logger::parseArgv(argc, argv);
58
       // Create the kinematic model that is shared by everybody
       auto robot_model = std::make_shared<RobotModel>(); // Here you can pass a robot...
61
   →name
       robot_model->loadModelFromFile(urdf_url); // If you don't pass a robot name, it_
62
   ⇒is extracted from the urdf
       robot_model->setBaseFrame("base_link"); // All the transformations (end effector_
   →pose for example) will be expressed wrt this base frame
       robot_model->setGravity(Eigen::Vector3d(0,0,-9.81)); // Sets the world gravity
   → (Optional)
65
       // This is an helper function to store the whole state of the robot as eigen_
66
   ⇒vectors/matrices
       // This class is totally optional, it is just meant to keep consistency for the.
    ⇒sizes of all the vectors/matrices
       // You can use it to fill data from either real robot and simulated robot
68
       RobotState eigState;
69
       eigState.resize(robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom()); // resize all the.
70
   →vectors/matrices to match the robot configuration
       // Set the initial state to zero (arbitrary)
71
       // NOTE : here we only set q, qot because this example asserts we have a fixed_
72
   ⇒base robot
       eigState.jointPos.setZero();
73
       eigState.jointVel.setZero();
74
       // Set the first state to the robot
75
       robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel); // Now is the_
   →robot is considered 'initialized'
77
       // Instanciate an ORCA Controller
78
       orca::optim::Controller controller(
79
            "controller"
80
           ,robot_model
81
           ,orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted // MultiLevelWeighted, _
82
    → Generalized
           ,QPSolverImplType::qpOASES
       );
84
85
       auto cart_acc_pid = std::make_shared<CartesianAccelerationPID>("servo_controller
86
   →");
       Vector6d P;
87
       P << 1000, 1000, 1000, 10, 10, 10;
88
       cart_acc_pid->pid()->setProportionalGain(P);
89
       Vector6d D;
90
       D << 100, 100, 100, 1, 1, 1;
91
       cart_acc_pid->pid()->setDerivativeGain(D);
92
       cart_acc_pid->setControlFrame("link_7");
93
       Eigen::Affine3d cart_pos_ref;
       cart_pos_ref.translation() = Eigen::Vector3d(0.3, -0.5, 0.41); // x, y, z in meters
       cart_pos_ref.linear() = orca::math::quatFromRPY(M_PI,0,0).toRotationMatrix();
       Vector6d cart vel ref = Vector6d::Zero();
97
       Vector6d cart_acc_ref = Vector6d::Zero();
98
       cart_acc_pid->setDesired(cart_pos_ref.matrix(),cart_vel_ref,cart_acc_ref);
100
```

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50

```
auto cart_task = controller.addTaskCartesianTask>("CartTask_EE");
101
        cart_task->setServoController(cart_acc_pid);
102
103
        // Get the number of actuated joints
104
        const int ndof = robot_model->getNrOfDegreesOfFreedom();
105
106
        // Joint torque limit is usually given by the robot manufacturer
107
       auto jnt_trq_cstr = std::make_shared<JointTorqueLimitConstraint>("JointTorqueLimit
108
    " );
       controller.addConstraint(jnt_trq_cstr); // Add the constraint to the controller_
109

→to initialize it

       Eigen::VectorXd jntTrqMax(ndof);
110
111
        jntTrqMax.setConstant(200.0);
        int_trq_cstr->setLimits(-jntTrqMax, jntTrqMax); // because not read in the URDF.
112
    →for now
113
        // Joint position limits are automatically extracted from the URDF model
114
        // Note that you can set them if you want
115
        // by simply doing jnt_pos_cstr->setLimits(jntPosMin, jntPosMax);
116
        auto jnt_pos_cstr = std::make_shared<JointPositionLimitConstraint>(
117
    →"JointPositionLimit");
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_pos_cstr); // Add the constraint to the controller.
118
    →to initialize it
119
        // Joint velocity limits are usually given by the robot manufacturer
120
121
        auto jnt_vel_cstr = std::make_shared<JointVelocityLimitConstraint>(
    →"JointVelocityLimit");
        controller.addConstraint(jnt_vel_cstr); // Add the constraint to the controller.
122
    →to initialize it
        Eigen::VectorXd jntVelMax(ndof);
123
        jntVelMax.setConstant(2.0);
124
        jnt_vel_cstr->setLimits(-jntVelMax, jntVelMax); // because not read in the URDF_
125
    →for now
126
        double dt = 0.001;
127
        double total_time = 1.0;
128
        double current_time = 0;
129
130
131
        // Shortcut : activate all tasks
        controller.activateTasksAndConstraints();
132
133
        // Now you can run the control loop
134
        std::vector<double> time log;
135
        int ncols = std::ceil(total_time/dt);
136
137
        Eigen::MatrixXd torqueMat(ndof,ncols);
        torqueMat.setZero();
138
139
        for (int count = 0; current time < total time; current time +=dt)</pre>
140
141
142
            time_log.push_back(current_time);
143
            // Here you can get the data from you REAL robot (API might vary)
144
            // Some thing like :
145
                    eigState.jointPos = myRealRobot.getJointPositions();
146
                     eigState.jointVel = myRealRobot.getJointVelocities();
147
148
            // Now update the internal kinematic model with data from REAL robot
149
```

```
robot_model->setRobotState(eigState.jointPos,eigState.jointVel);
150
151
             // Step the controller
152
            if(controller.update(current_time, dt))
153
154
155
                 // Get the controller output
156
                 const Eigen::VectorXd& full_solution = controller.getSolution();
157
158
                 torqueMat.col(count) = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
159
160
                 const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_acc = controller.getJointAccelerationCommand();
161
162
                 // Here you can send the commands to you REAL robot
163
                 // Something like :
164
                 // myRealRobot.setTorqueCommand(trq_cmd);
165
             }
166
            else
167
168
                 // Controller could not get the optimal torque
169
                 // Now you have to save your robot
170
                 // You can get the return code with controller.getReturnCode();
171
            }
172
173
            count++;
174
175
            std::cout << "current_time " << current_time << '\n';</pre>
176
            std::cout << "total_time " << total_time << '\n';</pre>
177
            std::cout << "time log size " << time_log.size() << '\n';</pre>
178
            std::cout << "torqueMat.cols " << torqueMat.cols() << '\n';</pre>
179
180
181
        // Print the last computed solution (just for fun)
182
        const Eigen::VectorXd& full_solution = controller.getSolution();
183
        const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_cmd = controller.getJointTorqueCommand();
184
        const Eigen::VectorXd& trq_acc = controller.getJointAccelerationCommand();
185
        LOG_INFO << "Full solution : " << full_solution.transpose();
186
        LOG_INFO << "Joint Acceleration command : " << trq_acc.transpose();
188
        LOG_INFO << "Joint Torque command
                                                   : " << trg_cmd.transpose();
189
        // At some point you want to close the controller nicely
190
        controller.deactivateTasksAndConstraints();
191
        // Let all the tasks ramp down to zero
192
        while(!controller.tasksAndConstraintsDeactivated())
193
194
            current_time += dt;
195
            controller.print();
196
            controller.update(current_time, dt);
197
198
        }
199
        // Plot data
200
        for (size_t i = 0; i < torqueMat.rows(); i++)</pre>
202
            std::vector<double> trq(time_log.size());
203
            Eigen::VectorXd::Map(trq.data(),time_log.size()) = torqueMat.row(i);
204
            plt::plot(time_log,trq);
```

#### 1.1.11 Overview

The most generic representation of the whole-body controller used in ORCA can be summarized by the following optimization problem,

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\operatorname{arg\,min} & f^{\operatorname{task}}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) \\
\text{s.t.} & G\boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{h} \\
& A\boldsymbol{\chi} = \boldsymbol{b}.
\end{array} \tag{1.1}$$

• s.t.: subject to

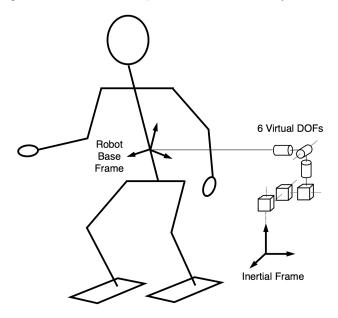
The objective,  $f^{\text{task}}(\chi)$ , is a function of the optimization variable,  $\chi$ , and is determined by control objectives, or tasks. The resolution of the objective is subject to (s.t.) the affine inequality and equality constraints, which ensure that the control constraints are respected.

To understand how whole-body controllers are formulated in ORCA, we begin with a brief description of the free-floating rigid body dynamics. The parameterization of the dynamics forms the optimization variable. The control objectives, or tasks, and constraints are then detailed and written in terms of the optimization variable. Finally, task prioritization schemes are discussed.

## 1.1.12 Dynamics

#### Free-Floating Rigid Body Dynamics

For robots whose root link can float freely in Cartesian space, e.g. humanoids, it is necessary to consider the pose of the root link with respect to (wrt) the inertial reference frame. The primary method for doing so is to account for the root link pose directly in the generalized coordinates, q, of the robot as shown by:



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The generalized configuration parameterization for floating base robots,

$$q = \begin{cases} \xi_{fb} \\ q_j \end{cases}, \tag{1.2}$$

therefore contains the pose of the base link writhe inertial reference frame,  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{fb}$ , and the joint space coordinates,  $\boldsymbol{q}_j$ . Set brackets are used in (1.2) because  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{fb}$  is a homogeneous transformation matrix in  $\mathbb{R}^{4\times4}$  and  $\boldsymbol{q}_j$  is a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , with n the number of dofof the robot, thus  $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{fb}$  and  $\boldsymbol{q}_j$  cannot be concatenated into a vector. However, the twist of the base,  $\boldsymbol{v}_{fb}$ , with the joint velocities,  $\dot{\boldsymbol{q}}_j$ , can be concatenated in vector notation, along with the base and joint accelerations to obtain,

$$\boldsymbol{\nu} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{v}_{fb} \\ \dot{\boldsymbol{q}}_j \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\boldsymbol{v}}_{fb} \\ \ddot{\boldsymbol{q}}_j \end{bmatrix}.$$
(1.3)

These representations provide a complete description of the robot's state and its rate of change, and allow the equations of motion to be written as,

$$M(q)\dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}} + \underbrace{C(q,\boldsymbol{\nu})\boldsymbol{\nu} + g(q)}_{n(q,\boldsymbol{\nu})} = S^{\top}\boldsymbol{\tau} + {}^{e}J^{\top}(q)^{e}\boldsymbol{\omega}. \tag{1.4}$$

In (1.4), M(q) is the generalized mass matrix,  $C(q, \nu)\nu$  and g(q) are the Coriolis-centrifugal and gravitational terms, S is a selection matrix indicating the actuated degrees of freedom,  ${}^e\omega$  is the concatenation of the external contact wrenches, and  ${}^eJ$  their concatenated Jacobians.

Grouping  $C(q, \nu)\nu$  and g(q) together into  $n(q, \nu)$ , the equations can by simplified to

$$M(q)\dot{\nu} + n(q,\nu) = S^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\tau} + {}^{e}J^{\mathsf{T}}(q)^{e} \boldsymbol{\omega}. \tag{1.5}$$

The joint torques induced by friction force could also be included in (1.5), but are left out for the sake of simplicity. Additionally, the variables  $\dot{\nu}$ ,  $\tau$ , and  $^e\omega$ , can be grouped into the same vector,

$$\chi = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\nu} \\ \tau \\ {}_{e}\omega \end{bmatrix}, \tag{1.6}$$

forming the optimization variable from (1.1), and allowing (1.5) to be rewritten as

$$\begin{bmatrix} -M(q) & S^{\top} & {}^{e}J^{\top}(q) \end{bmatrix} \chi = n(q, \nu). \tag{1.7}$$

Equation (1.7) provides an equality constraint which can be used to ensure that the minimization of the control objectives respects the system dynamics.

### 1.1.13 Optimization

#### **Optimization Vector**

In *Free-Floating Rigid Body Dynamics* we expressed the equations of motion as an affine function of our optimization variable,  $\chi$ . Here, we look at each component in  $\chi$  and detail its meaning, position in the overall vector, and dimensions.

$$oldsymbol{\chi} = egin{bmatrix} \dot{oldsymbol{
u}}_{fb} \ oldsymbol{ au}_{fb} \ oldsymbol{ au}_{f}_{e} \ oldsymbol{\omega}_{0} \ dots \ oldsymbol{e}_{e} oldsymbol{\omega}_{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\dot{\nu}_{fb}$ : Floating base joint acceleration (6 × 1)
- $\dot{\nu}_i$ : Joint space acceleration  $(n_{DoF} \times 1)$
- $\tau_{fb}$ : Floating base joint torque (6 × 1)
- $\tau_i$ : Joint space joint torque  $(n_{DoF} \times 1)$
- ${}^e\omega_n$ : External wrench  $(6\times1)$

Each of these variables are termed Control Variables in ORCA and are used to define every task and constraint.

These variables can of course be combined for convenience:

- $\dot{\nu}$ : Generalised joint acceleration, concatenation of  $\dot{\nu}_{fb}$  and  $\dot{\nu}_{i}$  (6 +  $n_{DoF} \times 1$ )
- $\tau$ : Generalised joint torque, concatenation of  $\tau_{fb}$  and  $\tau_{j}$   $(6 + n_{DoF} \times 1)$
- ${}^{e}\omega$ : External wrenches  $(n_{\text{wrenches}}6 \times 1)$
- $\chi$ : The whole optimization vector  $(6 + n_{DoF} + 6 + n_{DoF} + n_{wrenches} 6 \times 1)$

With our optimization varible well defined, we can now formulate the optimization problem.

#### **The Optimization Problem**

Returning to our generic representation of a whole-body controller presented in *Overview*,

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\chi}}{\operatorname{arg \, min}} \quad f^{\operatorname{task}}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) \\
\text{s.t.} \quad G\boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{h} \\
A\boldsymbol{\chi} = \boldsymbol{b}, \tag{1.8}$$

we make some important assumptions about the structure of the problem. Firstly, we make the assumtion that our control problem is continous and has size = n, i.e.  $\chi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Next we impose that  $f^{\text{task}}(\chi)$  be quadratic in  $\chi$ , leaving us with an unconstrained **Quadratic Program**, or QP:

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\chi}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \quad f(\boldsymbol{\chi}) = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\chi}^{\top} H \boldsymbol{\chi} + \boldsymbol{g}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\chi} + r$$

$$= \boldsymbol{\chi}^{\top} (E^{\top} E) \boldsymbol{\chi} - 2 (E^{\top} \mathbf{f})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\chi} + \mathbf{f}^{\top} \mathbf{f}$$

$$= \|E \boldsymbol{\chi} - \mathbf{f}\|_{2}^{2},$$
(1.9)

In (1.9), the first line is the classical formulation of a QP:

- $\chi$  the optimization vector
- H the hessian matrix  $(n \times n)$
- q the gradient vector  $(n \times 1)$
- E the linear matrix of the affine function  $(n \times n)$
- f the origin vector  $(n \times 1)$

The last line of (1.9),  $||E\chi - \mathbf{f}||_2^2$ , is the least-squares formulation. We will continue using the least squares version, which admits an analytical minimum-norm solution,  $\chi^*$ , in the unconstrained case.

$$\chi^* = \underset{\chi}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \|E\chi - \mathbf{f}\|_2^2 = E^{\dagger}\mathbf{f}, \tag{1.10}$$

where  $E^{\dagger}$  is the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse of the E matrix. This solution will be found assuming the rank of the linear system is consistent.

Adding an affine equality constraint produces a constrained least squares problem,

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{\chi}} \quad \|E\mathbf{\chi} - \mathbf{f}\|_{2}^{2}$$
s.t.  $A\mathbf{\chi} = \mathbf{b}$ , (1.11)

which can be solved analytically, assuming a solution exists, using the Karush Kuhn Tucker (KKT) equations,

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} E^{\top}E & A^{\top} \\ A & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{KKT Matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\chi} \\ \mathbf{z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E^{\top}\mathbf{f} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} 
\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\chi} \\ \mathbf{z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E^{\top}E & A^{\top} \\ A & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} E^{\top}\mathbf{f} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{1.12}$$

where z is the solution to the dual problem and contains the **Lagrange multipliers**.

Adding an affine inequality constraint to the problem produces the following QP,

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\chi}}{\operatorname{arg \, min}} \quad \|E\boldsymbol{\chi} - \mathbf{f}\|_{2}^{2} 
\text{s.t.} \quad A\boldsymbol{\chi} = \boldsymbol{b} 
G\boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{h}. \tag{1.13}$$

Equation (1.13) can no longer be solved analytically and one must use numerical methods such as interior point, or active set methods.

**Note:** For more details on convex optimization, check out Boyd and Vandenberghe's book: http://web.stanford.edu/~boyd/cvxbook/

Resolution of (1.13) with a numerical solver, such as qpOASES, will provide a globally optimal solution for  $\chi^*$  provided that the constraint equations are consistent, i.e. the set of possible solutions is not empty.

#### **Objective Function Implementation**

Within ORCA the QP objective function is formulated as a weighted Euclidean norm of an affine function,

$$\|E\boldsymbol{\chi} - \mathbf{f}\|_W^2 \Leftrightarrow \|\sqrt{W} (E\boldsymbol{\chi} - \mathbf{f})\|^2$$
 (1.14)

In (1.14), W is the weight of the euclidean norm  $(n \times n)$  and must be a positive symmetric definite matrix.

In ORCA, W is actually composed of two components, the norm weighting W' and the selection matrix, S,

$$W = SW' \tag{1.15}$$

S is a matrix with either 1's or 0's on the diagonal which allows us to ignore all or parts of the affine function we are computing. Concretely this means we can ignore components of the task error. More information on tasks is provided in the *Control Objectives (Tasks)* section.

#### For example...

For a Cartesian position task, setting the low 3 entries on the diagonal of S to 0 allows us to ignore orientation errors.

For practicality's sake we set S from a vector with the function setSelectionVector(const Eigen::VectorXd& s), which creates a diagonal matrix from s.

Given W from (1.15), the hessian and gradient are calculated as,

$$\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\chi}^{\top} H \boldsymbol{\chi} + \boldsymbol{g}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\chi}$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow \boldsymbol{\chi}^{\top} (E^{\top} W E) \boldsymbol{\chi} - 2 (W E^{\top} \mathbf{f})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\chi}$$

**Note:**  $r = \mathbf{f}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{f}$  is dropped from the objective function because it does not change the optimal solution of the QP.

In the code, these calculations can be found in WeightedEuclidianNormFunction:

#### **Constraint Implementation**

Constraints are written as double bounded linear functions,

$$lb \leq C\chi \leq ub$$
.

- C the constraint matrix  $(n \times n)$
- *lb* and *ub* the lower and upper bounds of  $C\chi$  ( $n \times 1$ )

Thus to convert our standard affine constraint forms we have the following relationships:

$$A\chi = \mathbf{b} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{b} \leq A\chi \leq \mathbf{b}$$

$$G\chi \leq \mathbf{h} \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} G\chi \\ -G\chi \end{bmatrix} \leq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}\mathbf{b}_h \\ -\mathbf{l}\mathbf{b}_h \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{l}\mathbf{b}_h \leq G\chi \leq \mathbf{u}\mathbf{b}_h$$

#### **ORCA QP**

In ORCA the full QP is expressed as,

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\boldsymbol{\chi}}{\text{arg min}} & & \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\chi}^{\top} H \boldsymbol{\chi} + \boldsymbol{g}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\chi} \\ & \text{s.t.} & & \boldsymbol{l} \boldsymbol{b} \leq \boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{b} \\ & & & & \boldsymbol{l} \boldsymbol{b} \leq C \boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{b}, \end{aligned}$$

**Note:** For convenience an explicit constraint on the optimization variable  $\chi$  is included in the problem because it is so common. This constraint is identical to the second line:  $lb \le C\chi \le ub$  when C is the identity matrix.

In the next sections we show how to formulate the different task and constraint types one might need to control a robot. In section *Multi-Objective Optimization*, we show how to combine multiple objective functions (tasks) in one controller allowing us to exploit the redundancy of the system.

Note: Multiple constraints can be combined through vertical concatenation of their matrices and vectors. I.e.

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#### 1.1.14 Tasks

#### **Control Objectives (Tasks)**

The basic problem of control is to drive a system from some initial state to some desired state. The control of robots is no different, but the term state takes on greater ambiguity. For simple systems, such as the double integrator, linearized inverted pendulum, etc., state-space control is sufficient for virtually any high-level objective one could envision for the system. However, for a robot, describing the control problem solely in terms of its state, i.e. q and  $\nu$ , is limiting and one may also want to describe it in terms of the pose and twist of an end-effector, or possibly even a wrench on some link (although not technically a state in the classical control sense). Far from being a detriment, this variability is what makes robots so useful but requires a bit of abstraction from classical state-space control vocabulary. For this reason, the term task is commonly used to indicate a control objective for a robot. Tasks, in second-order controllers, can be driven by desired accelerations, wrenches, or torques, and in operational-space or joint-space. They are expressed in the whole-body controller as functions of the errors between the desired and current values of the task. In this work, the square of the  $l^2$ -norm is used to create a quadratic objective function. Consequently, the task errors are expressed in the least-squares formulation.

#### **Cartesian Acceleration Task**

Probably the most important, if not most prevalent, task is to move a link on the robot from one pose to another. Typically it is the end-effector(s) which are of interest. These tasks, which are generally expressed as desired positions or orientations, are converted to **acceleration tasks**, through means of task servoing. More details on task servoing are provided in *Task Servoing*. Once given a desired operational-space acceleration for a link,  $\ddot{\xi}_i^{\text{des}}$ , an acceleration task consists in finding the joint-space values which produce  $\ddot{\xi}_i^{\text{des}}$ ,

$$\ddot{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i^{\text{des}} = J_i(\boldsymbol{q})\dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}} + \dot{J}_i(\boldsymbol{q}, \boldsymbol{\nu})\boldsymbol{\nu},\tag{1.16}$$

where  $J_i(q)$  and  $J_i(q, \nu)$  are the link Jacobian and its derivative. For the control objective, one simply rewrites the task as an error which must be minimized,

$$f_i^{\ddot{\boldsymbol{\xi}}} = \left\| J_i(\boldsymbol{q})\dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}} + \dot{J}_i(\boldsymbol{q}, \boldsymbol{\nu})\boldsymbol{\nu} - \ddot{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i^{\text{des}} \right\|_2^2.$$
 (1.17)

Using the squared  $l^2$ -norm produces a quadratic error term, which defines the objective function  $f_i^{\xi}$  to be minimized. The objective function  $f_i^{\xi}$  is then rewritten in terms of the optimization variable,  $\chi$ ,

$$f_i^{\ddot{\xi}} = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} J_i(q) & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \chi - \left( \ddot{\xi}_i^{\text{des}} - \dot{J}_i(q, \nu) \nu \right) \right\|_2^2.$$
 (1.18)

In (1.18) the term **0** represents a matrix of zeros. Regrouping terms as,

$$E^{\ddot{\xi}} = \begin{bmatrix} J_i(q) & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \tag{1.19}$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{\ddot{\mathbf{\xi}}} = \ddot{\mathbf{\xi}}_i^{\text{des}} - \dot{J}_i(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{\nu})\mathbf{\nu},\tag{1.20}$$

allows (1.18) to be written in the classical least-squares form as,

$$f_i^{\xi} = \left\| E^{\xi} \chi - \mathbf{f}^{\xi} \right\|_2^2. \tag{1.21}$$

The dependencies of  $E^{\xi}$  and  $\mathbf{f}^{\xi}$  have been removed for brevity.

$$w_{task}.\|\mathbf{E}x+\mathbf{f}\|_{W_{norm}}$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_{n \times 1} = \mathbf{X}_{n \times p} \times \mathbf{\theta}_{p \times 1} + \mathbf{\varepsilon}_{n \times 1}$$

#### **Joint Acceleration Task**

Acceleration tasks can be expressed in either joint-space or in operational-space. Here, the operational-space form is presented but the joint-space form can easily be produced as,

$$f_i^{\dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}}} = \left\| \dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}} - \dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_i^{\text{des}} \right\|_2^2, \tag{1.22}$$

with

$$E^{\dot{\nu}} = \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \tag{1.23}$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{\dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}}} = \dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_i^{\mathrm{des}},\tag{1.24}$$

where I is the identity matrix. Substituting (1.23) and (1.24) into (1.22) gives,

$$f_i^{\dot{\nu}} = \left\| E^{\dot{\nu}} \chi - \mathbf{f}^{\dot{\nu}} \right\|_2^2. \tag{1.25}$$

#### **Wrench Task**

In order for robots to work properly in their environment, they must be able to interact with it. Not only does this allow the robot to manipulate and modify its environment, but it also allows the robot to exploit the environment to compensate for its underactuation and more generally to dynamically perform complex behaviors. Walking and balance are two pertinent examples of such behaviors because to achieve them, contact forces with the ground must be properly exploited. For details on this see...

Todo: add citations

In order to interact with the environment, wrench tasks can be formulated to manage the interaction forces and torques,

$$^{e}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i} = {^{e}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i}^{\mathrm{des}}}.$$
 (1.26)

where  ${}^e\omega_i^{\rm des}$  is the desired external wrench to affect, and  ${}^e\omega_i$  is the wrench applied on the environment. Again, to formulate a control objective function,  $f_i^{\omega}$ , the task is rewritten as the squared norm of a task error,

$$f_i^{\omega} = \left\| {^e\omega_i - {^e\omega_i^{\text{des}}}} \right\|_2^2. \tag{1.27}$$

Rewriting (1.27) in terms of  $\chi$  gives,

$$f_i^{\omega} = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & S_i^{\omega} \end{bmatrix} \chi - {}^{e} \omega_i^{\text{des}} \right\|_2^2, \tag{1.28}$$

where  $S_i^{\omega}$  is a wrench selection matrix which allows the  $i^{th}$  wrench to be controlled. Using,

$$E^{\omega} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & S_i^{\omega} \end{bmatrix} \tag{1.29}$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{\omega} = {}^{e}\omega_{i}^{\text{des}},\tag{1.30}$$

(1.28) can be written as,

$$f_i^{\omega} = \|E^{\omega} \chi - \mathbf{f}^{\omega}\|_2^2. \tag{1.31}$$

#### **Torque Task**

Finally, it may also be desirable to specify **torque tasks** for purposes of regularization, among other possibilities. As with wrench tasks, torque tasks, can be written simply as,

$$\tau = \tau^{\text{des}}.\tag{1.32}$$

To formulate the control objective function,  $f^{\tau}$ , the square norm of the task error is written,

$$f^{\tau} = \left\| \tau - \tau^{\text{des}} \right\|_{2}^{2},\tag{1.33}$$

which can be reformulated in terms of  $\chi$  as,

$$f^{\tau} = \| \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & S^{\top} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \chi - \boldsymbol{\tau}^{\text{des}} \|_{2}^{2}.$$
 (1.34)

Once again regrouping terms,

$$E^{\tau} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & S^{\top} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \tag{1.35}$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{\tau} = \boldsymbol{\tau}^{\mathrm{des}},\tag{1.36}$$

the least-squares form of the torque task is written,

$$f^{\tau} = \|E^{\tau} \chi - \mathbf{f}^{\tau}\|_{2}^{2}. \tag{1.37}$$

#### **Task Servoing**

The desired terms,  $\ddot{\xi}_i^{\text{des}}$ ,  $\dot{\nu}_i^{\text{des}}$ ,  $e\omega_i^{\text{des}}$ , and  $\tau^{\text{des}}$ , from (1.16), (1.22), (1.26), and (1.32), respectively are provided by higher-level task servoing. Commonly, the high-level reference of a task is simply to attain some pose, and in the case of a wrench task, some force and/or torque. For acceleration tasks, if the desired task value is expressed as a pose, position, or orientation, then it must be converted to an acceleration. This is done here using a feedforward (PD) controller,

$$\ddot{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i}^{\text{des}}(t+\Delta t) = \ddot{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i}^{\text{ref}}(t+\Delta t) + K_{p}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{i}(t) + K_{d}\dot{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{i}(t), \tag{1.38}$$

noindent where  $\ddot{\xi}_i^{\rm ref}(t+\Delta t)$  is the feedforward frame acceleration term,  $\epsilon_i(t)$  and  $\dot{\epsilon}_i(t)$  are the current pose error and its derivative, with  $K_p$  and  $K_d=2\sqrt{K_p}$ , their proportional and derivative gains respectively. This term also serves to remove drift at the controller level and stabilize the output of the task. The terms,  $\epsilon_i(t)$  and  $\dot{\epsilon}_i(t)$ , are not explicitly defined here because they are representation dependent (see citep{Siciliano2008}). For wrench and torque tasks a similar servoing controller can be developed using a Proportional-Integral (PI) controller.

$$\omega^{des}(t + \Delta t) = \omega^{ref}(t + \Delta t) + K_p \epsilon_{\omega}(t) + K_i \int \epsilon_{\omega}(t) dt$$
(1.39)

This servoing helps stabilize the whole-body controller by driving the desired task values to some fixed state in asymptotically stable manner. Without the servoing the the task error objective term,  $f_i^{\text{task}}(\chi)$ , could change discontinuously between time steps resulting in discontinuous jumps in the optimal joint torques determined between two time steps.

#### 1.1.15 Constraints

#### **Control Constraints**

As with all real world control problems, there are limits to what the system being controlled can do. In this particular case, the main constraint is that of the system dynamics, i.e. the equations of motion. This means that any solution found must be dynamically feasible. Apart from this, the control input is typically bounded. For robots with revolute joints, this means that the torque which can be generated by the actuators is limited to plus or minus some value. Likewise, the joints themselves generally have limited operating ranges for various mechanical reasons. In addition to these common limiting factors, other phenomena such as unilateral and bilateral contacts can come into play.

#### **Dynamics Constraints**

The rigid body dynamics of the robot are governed by the equations of motion from equations\_of\_motion\_in\_optvar. This constraint ultimately dictates the achievable dynamics of the system, and is formulated as the following equality constraint,

$$\underbrace{\left[-M(q) \quad S^{\top} \quad {}^{e}J^{\top}(q)\right]}_{A^{d}} \chi = \underbrace{n(q,\nu)}_{\mathbf{b}^{d}}.$$
(1.40)

The terms  $A^d$  and  $b^d$  are used to distinguish the equality constraint matrix and vector, respectively, for the dynamic constraints.

**Important:** To put this into ORCA standard form we have,

$$\boldsymbol{b}^d \leq A^d \boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{b}^d$$

#### **Actuator Limit Constraints**

Here, we assume that all articulations are revolute and therefore all actuation limits are torque limits, however, expression of force limits for prismatic joints would be another possibility. Writing these limits as an inequality provides an upper and lower bound on the amount of torque which can be exerted to accomplish the tasks.

$$\tau_{\min} \le \tau \le \tau_{\max}. \tag{1.41}$$

Expressing torque\_limits in terms of  $\chi$  creates the following linear inequality,

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & S^{\top} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -S^{\top} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}}_{G^{\tau}} \chi \leq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\tau}_{\text{max}} \\ -\boldsymbol{\tau}_{\text{min}} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{h}^{\tau}}.$$
(1.42)

**Important:** To put this into ORCA standard form we have,

$$oldsymbol{ au}_{\min} \leq egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{0} & S^{ op} & oldsymbol{0} \end{bmatrix} oldsymbol{\chi} \leq oldsymbol{ au}_{\max}$$

#### **Joint Limit Constraints**

Probably the most common limitation of any robot is the range of motion which each joint can achieve. Whether linear or angular, most joints have a finite range through which they can move thus limiting q. These joint limits can easily be expressed as a inequality on q,

$$q_{\min} \le q \le q_{\max}. \tag{1.43}$$

Similarly to these position limits, we can also define limits on the joint velocities and accelerations,

$$\nu_{\min} \le \nu \le \nu_{\max} \tag{1.44}$$

$$\dot{\nu}_{\min} < \dot{\nu} < \dot{\nu}_{\max}. \tag{1.45}$$

The joint position limits, unlike the torque limits, must be manipulated somewhat in order to be properly expressed in  $\chi$ . To formulate this constraint, q needs to be calculated while taking into account a second order prediction of the joint-space movement,

$$q(t+h) = q(t) + h\nu(t) + \frac{h^2}{2}\dot{\nu}(t),$$
 (1.46)

where h is the prediction period, which is generally some multiple of the control period. Note that the floating base components of the configuration variable are not subject to articular limits, and their corresponding components in q,  $\nu$ , and  $\dot{\nu}$ , are disregarded in (1.46). Dropping the time dependencies, the limits are written,

$$egin{split} oldsymbol{q}_{ ext{min}} & \leq oldsymbol{q} + holdsymbol{
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u}} \leq oldsymbol{q}_{ ext{max}} \ & \Leftrightarrow rac{2}{h^2}\left[oldsymbol{q}_{ ext{min}} - (oldsymbol{q} + holdsymbol{
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Using  $\chi$ , (1.47) can be rewritten as,

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{0} \\ -I & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}}_{Gq} \chi \leq \underbrace{\frac{2}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{\text{max}} - (\mathbf{q} + h\boldsymbol{\nu}) \\ - [\mathbf{q}_{\text{min}} - (\mathbf{q} + h\boldsymbol{\nu})] \end{bmatrix}}_{hq}.$$
(1.47)

From (1.47), one can of course naturally derive joint velocity and acceleration limits,

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{0} \\ -I & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}}_{G^{\nu}} \chi \leq \underbrace{\frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} \nu_{\text{max}} - \nu \\ -(\nu_{\text{min}} - \nu) \end{bmatrix}}_{h^{\nu}} \tag{1.48}$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbf{0} \\ -I & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}}_{G^{\nu}} \chi \leq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\nu}_{\text{max}} \\ -\dot{\nu}_{\text{min}} \end{bmatrix}}_{h^{\nu}}.$$
(1.49)

The choice of the prediction period, h, in the joint-space limits is crucial to the proper functioning of these constraints. Smaller values of h lead to more aggressive approaches to the joint limits, while larger values produce a more conservative treatment. This variability is due to the fact that the prediction does not take into account the deceleration capabilities of the joints.

**Important:** To put these constraints into ORCA standard form we have,

$$egin{aligned} rac{2}{h^2} \left[ oldsymbol{q}_{ ext{min}} - (oldsymbol{q} + holdsymbol{
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#### **Contact Constraints**

When a robot interacts with its environment, it does so through contacts. These contacts can be **unilateral contacts**, or **bilateral contacts**. Simply put, unilateral contacts are those the robot can only push, e.g. foot contact with the floor, and bilateral contacts are those which allow the robot to push or pull, e.g. gripping the rung of a ladder.

**Todo:** add citations: Following the formulations in citep{Salini2011} and citep{Saab2013}

For unilateral contact constraints, a linearized approximation of the Coulomb friction cone is employed. A friction contact constraint in the controller must ensure that the linear velocity at the contact point is zero,

$${}^{F}J_{i}(\boldsymbol{q})\dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}} + {}^{F}\dot{J}_{i}(\boldsymbol{q},\boldsymbol{\nu})\boldsymbol{\nu} = \mathbf{0}, \tag{1.50}$$

and that the wrench remains within a linearized approximation of a friction cone,

$${}^{F}C_{i}{}^{F}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{i} \leq \mathbf{0}. \tag{1.51}$$

In (1.50),  ${}^FJ$  and  ${}^F\dot{J}$  contain the linear components of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  contact Jacobian. In (1.51),  ${}^FC_i$  is a matrix which linearly approximates the second-order norm cone,

$$\|F\boldsymbol{\omega}_i - (F\boldsymbol{\omega}_i \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{n}}_i)\hat{\boldsymbol{n}}_i\|_2 \le \mu_i (F\boldsymbol{\omega}_i \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{n}}_i),$$
 (1.52)

where  ${}^F\omega_i$  is are the force components of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  contact wrench,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{n}}_i$  is the normal vector of the contact, and  $\mu_i$  is the friction coefficient. Finally, expressing these two constraints in terms of  $\boldsymbol{\chi}$ , and defining  ${}^F\omega_i = S_i^F\boldsymbol{\chi}$ , gives the following coupled equality and inequality constraints,

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} FJ_i(q) & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{A^{\omega}} \chi = \underbrace{-F\dot{J}_i(q,\nu)\nu}_{b^{\omega}}$$
(1.53)

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & {}^{F}C_{i}S_{i}^{F} \end{bmatrix}}_{G^{\omega}} \chi \leq \underbrace{\mathbf{0}}_{h^{\omega}}, \tag{1.54}$$

where  $S_i^F$  selects the  $i^{th}$  contact force vector. Equations (1.53) and (1.54) are valid for a single contact point. For surface contacts, e.g. a foot sole, multiple points on the surface can be used for friction contact constraints — usually the four corners of the foot. Equation (1.53) introduces 3 equality constraints for the linear velocity of the contact point. The number of inequality constraints introduced by (1.54) depends on the number of polygon edges used to approximate the friction cone. Here, 6 edges are used, and because of symmetry, this introduces 3 inequality constraints per contact to the controller.

**Important:** To put these constraints into ORCA standard form we have,

$$b^{\omega} \leq A^{\omega} \leq b^{\omega}$$

$$-\inf \leq G^{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{h}^{\boldsymbol{\omega}}$$

For bilateral contacts, it is sufficient to ensure no relative motion between the two links, i and j in contact. It should be noted that here a link can be some part of the environment for which a kinematic model exists. To ensure no motion between the links, the following relationship must be true,

$$(J_i(\mathbf{q}) - J_j(\mathbf{q}))\dot{\boldsymbol{\nu}} + (\dot{J}_i(\mathbf{q}, \boldsymbol{\nu}) - \dot{J}_j(\mathbf{q}, \boldsymbol{\nu}))\boldsymbol{\nu} = \mathbf{0}, \tag{1.55}$$

where  $J_i(\mathbf{q})$ ,  $\dot{J}_i(\mathbf{q}, \boldsymbol{\nu})$ ,  $J_j(\mathbf{q})$ , and  $\dot{J}_j(\mathbf{q}, \boldsymbol{\nu})$ , are the Jacobians and their derivatives for the *i*textsuperscript{th} and *j*textsuperscript{th} links respectively. Putting (1.55) in terms of  $\boldsymbol{\chi}$  produces,

$$\underbrace{\left[ (J_i(q) - J_j(q)) \quad \mathbf{0} \right]}_{A^{bc}} \chi = \underbrace{-\left( \dot{J}_i(q, \nu) - \dot{J}_j(q, \nu) \right) \nu}_{\mathbf{b}^{bc}}. \tag{1.56}$$

**Important:** To put this constraint into ORCA standard form we have,

$$\boldsymbol{b}^{bc} \leq A^{bc} \leq \boldsymbol{b}^{bc}$$

### 1.1.16 Resolution Strategies

#### **Multi-Objective Optimization**

Objective functions represent the intentions of the problem designer: what meaningful quantity or measure is to be minimized to best solve some issue. As is often the case, there may be more than one quantity or measure which must be minimized and therefore multiple objective functions are combined together. When multiple objective functions,  $f_i(\chi)$ , are considered simultaneously, a **multi-objective optimization** problem (a.k.a. multicriteria, multicriterion, or Pareto optimization) is created. One common method of solving multi-objective optimization problems is through textit{scalarization}. Scalarization is the process of combining of multiple objective costs into one scalar cost. There are a multitude of scalarization techniques but weighted summation is of the most common,

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{\chi}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_o} w_i f_i(\mathbf{\chi}) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \| E_i \mathbf{\chi} - \mathbf{f}_i \|_2^2.$$
 (1.57)

In (1.57),  $n_o$  is the total number of objective functions. This scalarization can be written compactly by concatenating the individual objectives as,

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\chi}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \quad \|E_w \boldsymbol{\chi} - \mathbf{f}_w\|_2^2 \tag{1.58}$$

where

$$E_{w} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w_{1}} E_{1} \\ \sqrt{w_{2}} E_{2} \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{w_{n}} E_{n_{o}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{f}_{w} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w_{1}} \mathbf{f}_{1} \\ \sqrt{w_{2}} \mathbf{f}_{2} \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{w_{n}} \mathbf{f}_{n_{o}} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{1.59}$$

Each weight,  $w_i \ge 0$ , dictates the relative importance of its objective  $f_i(\chi)$  and therefore its impact on the solution. In (1.58) the weights are assumed to be scalars, but it is also possible to use matrices of different weights as long as they remain positive semi-definite.

As an alternative to scalarization, the objective functions can be minimized hierarchically in order of importance to ensure that the most important objective(s) are minimized as much as possible without influence of the lower priority objectives. This is known as **lexicographic optimization** in multi-objective optimization. To achieve this, the objectives are treated individually as a cascade of QPs where the solutions are reused as equality constraints in the subsequent QP minimizations.

#### Resolution (Prioritization) Strategies for Whole-Body Control

If multiple task objective functions are combined (using operations that preserve convexity) in the resolution of the control problem, then they can be performed simultaneously. In these cases, it is important to select a strategy for the resolution of the optimization problem. In turn, the strategy determines how tasks interact/interfere with one another. The two prevailing methods for dealing with multiple tasks are hierarchical and weighted prioritization.

#### **Hierarchical Prioritization**

In **hierarchical prioritization**, the tasks are organized by order of importance in discrete levels. Each task error is minimized in descending order of its importance and the solution to the optimization problem is then used in the equality constraints for the proceeding optimizations.

#### **Hierarchical Prioritization Algorithm**

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{for} \quad (i=1\dots n_{\text{task}}) \\ &\boldsymbol{\chi}_i^* = \underset{\boldsymbol{\chi}}{\text{arg min}} \quad f_i^{\text{task}}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) + w_0 f_0^{\text{task}}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) \\ &\text{s.t.} \quad G\boldsymbol{\chi} \leq \boldsymbol{h} \\ & \quad A_i \boldsymbol{\chi} = \boldsymbol{b}_i \\ & \quad A_{i+1} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} A_i \\ E_i \end{bmatrix} \\ & \quad \boldsymbol{b}_{i+1} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{b}_i \\ \boldsymbol{\chi}_i^* \end{bmatrix} \\ & \quad \boldsymbol{\chi}^* \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\chi}_i^* \end{aligned}$$

This algorithm is tantamount to null-space projection in the dynamic domain; however, inequality constraints can be accounted for. As a note, the regularization term,  $w_0 f_0^{\rm task}(\boldsymbol{x})$ , in each optimization cascade serves to remove solution redundancy when the objective function has a null space, but this redundancy is necessary for executing the subsequent tasks. The operation,  $A_{i+1} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} A_i \\ E_i \end{bmatrix}$ , propagates the null space of the objective function, which has just been solved, to the proceeding objective functions through the equality constraint.

Resolving the whole-body control problem hierarchically has the benefit of strictly ensuring the optimization of one task error over another; however, it makes task transitioning and blending more difficult. Using continuous, or soft, priorities can alleviate some of these issues.

#### Weighted Prioritization

In multi-objective optimization, task weights dictate where, on the Pareto front of solutions, the QP calculates an optimum. Consequently, the optimum found favors the minimization of tasks with higher weights. This affords a method of prioritization, which ensures that critical tasks, such as those for balance, are preferentially accomplished, in situations where other less-critical tasks, such as a reach, have conflicting optima.

#### Weighted Prioritization Algorithm

$$m{\chi}^* = rg \min_{m{\chi}} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n_{
m task}} w_i f_i^{
m task}(m{\chi}) + w_0 f_0^{
m task}(m{\chi})$$
 s.t.  $Gm{\chi} \leq m{h}$   $Am{\chi} = m{b}$ .

However, using continuous priorities between tasks cannot guarantee that the tasks will not interfere with one another.

**Important:** In fact, each task will assuredly impact the ensemble but that impact can be rendered numerically negligible.

#### **Hybrid Schemes**

It can be seen that the weighted strategy is a subset of the hierarchical strategy, by observing that each level in a hierarchical scheme can be solved as a weighted problem. This **hybrid prioritization strategy** can provide the best of both hierarchical and weighted methods, but at the cost of increase implementation and computational complexity.

#### **Generalized Hierarchical Prioritization**

In addition to the simple mixing of weights and hierarchies, continuous generalized projection schemes are developed by citep{Liu2016}. These methods allow priorities to continuously vary from weighted to purely hierarchical through scalar values. Such approaches can provide smooth transitions between tasks, as is common in complex activities such as walking, but require substantially more computation time than purely weighted or hierarchical methods.

#### **Resolution Strategies in ORCA**

ORCA provides three strategies for resolving a multi-objective QP which containts multiple tasks and/or constraints.

- 1. OneLevelWeighted (weighted prioritization)
- 2. MultiLevelWeighted (hybrid prioritization)
- 3. Generalized (generalized hierarchical prioritization)

Note: these strategies are in the namespace orca::optim::ResolutionStrategy

The strategies are implemented in Controller.cc on the controller update:

Each of these strategies is detailed in the following sections.

#### One Level Weighted

```
case ResolutionStrategy::OneLevelWeighted:
   updateTasks(current_time,dt);
   updateConstraints(current_time, dt);
   auto problem = getProblemAtLevel(0);
   problem->build();
   solution_found_ = problem->solve();
   if (this->update_cb_)
       this->update_cb_(current_time,dt);
   static bool print_warning = true;
   if(solution_found_ && isProblemDry(problem) && print_warning)
       print_warning = false;
       LOG_WARNING << "\n\n"
           <<" Solution found but the problem is dry !\n"
           << "It means that an optimal solution is found but the problem \n"
           << "only has one task computing anything, ans it's the"
           << "GlobalRegularisation task (This will only be printed once) \n\n"
           << "/!\\ Resulting torques will cause the robot to fall /!\\";
   }
   return solution_found_;
```

#### **Multi-Level Weighted**

**Todo:** Not yet implemented...

```
case ResolutionStrategy::MultiLevelWeighted:
   updateTasks(current_time, dt);
   updateConstraints(current time, dt);
   auto problem = getProblemAtLevel(0);
   problem->build();
   solution_found_ = problem->solve();
   if (this->update_cb_)
       this->update_cb_(current_time, dt);
   static bool print_warning = true;
   if(solution_found_ && isProblemDry(problem) && print_warning)
       print_warning = false;
       LOG_WARNING << "\n\n"
           <<" Solution found but the problem is dry !\n"
           << "It means that an optimal solution is found but the problem \n"
            << "only has one task computing anything, ans it's the"
            << "GlobalRegularisation task (This will only be printed once)\n\
            << "/!\\ Resulting torques will cause the robot to fall /!\\";
   return solution_found_;
```

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**Todo:** Not yet implemented as of ORCA v.2.0.0

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