

MuJoCo: double pendulum (I)

Overview

1. Create a doublependulum model in xml
2. Check energy balance of a free pendulum
3. Check equations of motion
4. Torque-based position control using three methods
 - i) position-derivative (PD) control
 - ii) (gravity + coriolis forces) + PD control
 - iii) feedback linearization control
5. Writing data file from MuJoCo and plotting in MATLAB

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Using [template_writeData.zip](#) to get started

1. From tiny.cc/mujoco download `template_writeData.zip` and unzip in `myproject`
2. Rename folder `template` to `dbpendulum`
3. Rename `pendulum.xml` to `doublependulum.xml`
4. Make these three changes
 1. `main.c` — line 28, change `template_writeData/` to `dbpendulum/` and `pendulum.xml` to `doublependulum.xml`
 2. `makefile` — change `ROOT = template_writeData` to `ROOT = dbpendulum` also `UNCOMMENT` (remove `#`) appropriate to your OS
 3. `run_unix / run_win.bat` change `<template_writeData>` to `<dbpendulum>`
5. In the `*shell`, navigate to `dbpendulum` and type `./run_unix` (unix) or `run_win` (windows); `*shell` = terminal for mac/linux and x64 (visual studio) for win

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Main.c

1) Check energy

- `mj_energyPos(m,d) & mj_energyVel(m,d);`

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Main.c

2) Check equations of motion: $M \ddot{q} + C + G = \tau$

- M is mass matrix 2×2
- \ddot{q} is acceleration, 2×1
- C is coriolis forces, 2×1
- G is **gravitational** force, 2×1
- τ is external torque, 2×1

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Main.c

2) Check equations of motion: $M \ddot{q} + C + G = \tau$

MuJoCo equations of motion:

$$M \ddot{q} + qfrc_bias = qfrc_applied + ctrl$$

- $qfrc_bias = C + G$
- τ can be $qfrc_applied$ OR $ctrl$
- $qfrc_applied$ is always available (generalized force)
- $ctrl$ is available on if an actuator is defined

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Main.c

Equations: $M \ddot{q} + f = \tau$ where $f = C + G$

3) Controllers

i) Proportional-Derivative control

$$\tau = -K_p*(q-q_{ref}) - K_d*\dot{q}$$

ii) (gravity + coriolis forces) + PD control

$$\tau = f - K_p*(q-q_{ref}) - K_d*\dot{q}$$

iii) Feedback linearization

$$\tau = M(-K_p*(q-q_{ref}) - K_d*\dot{q}) + f$$