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**B.E. (Mechanical Engineering) Fifth Semester  
MEC-503: Robotics**

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

**NOTE:** Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 (Part-A) which is compulsory and selecting two questions each from Part B-C. Supplement your answer with neat and labelled sketches wherever required.

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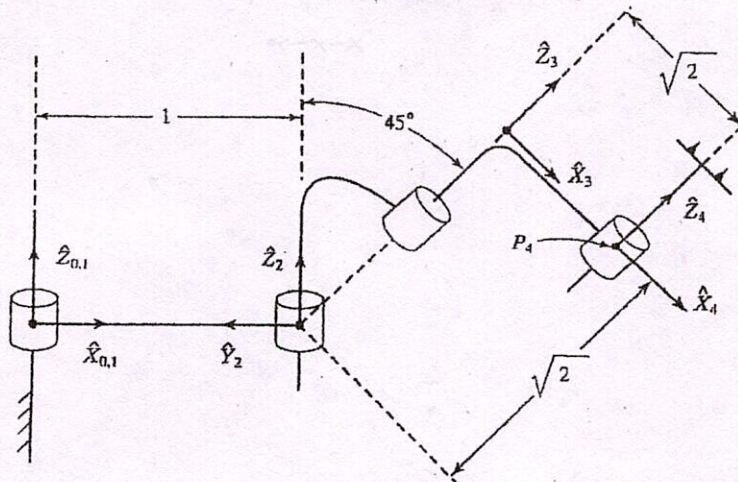
**PART-A**

- I (a) Is it true that any mechanism with three revolute joints and nonzero link lengths must have a locus of singular points interior to its workspace? (2)
- (b) Fill in the blank: (2)  
General mechanisms sometimes have certain configurations, called "\_\_\_\_\_," where the columns of the Jacobian become orthogonal and of equal magnitude.
- (c) In a sentence or two, define workspace, and trajectory. (2)
- (d) Make a chronology of major events in the development of industrial robots over the past 40 years. (2)
- (e) How many individual cubics are computed when a six-jointed robot moves along a cubic spline path through two via points and stops at a goal point? How many coefficients are stored to describe these cubics? (2)

**PART-B**

- II Explain the application of inverse of transformation matrices in robotics. (10)
- III A 4R manipulator is shown next schematically. The nonzero link parameters are  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 45^\circ$ ,  $d_3 = \sqrt{2}$ , and  $a_3 = \sqrt{2}$ , and the mechanism is pictured in the configuration corresponding to  $\Theta = [0, 90^\circ, -90^\circ, 0]^\top$ . Each joint has  $\pm 180^\circ$  as limits. Find all values of  $\theta_3$  such that

$${}^0P_{4ORG} = [1.1, 1.5, 1.707]^\top$$



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IV A certain two-link manipulator has the following Jacobian:

$${}^0J(\Theta) = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1s_1 - l_2s_{12} & -l_2s_{12} \\ l_1c_1 + l_2c_{12} & l_2c_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

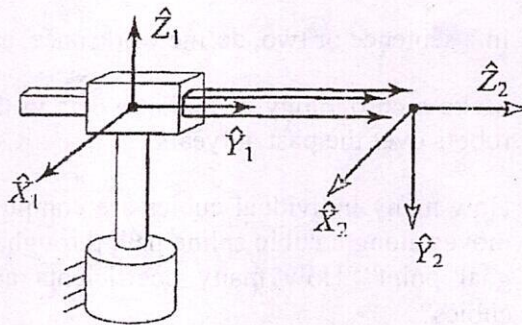
Ignoring gravity, what are the joint torques required in order that the manipulator will apply a static force vector  ${}^0F = 10\hat{X}_0$  ? (10)

PART-C

V Derive the dynamic equations for the two-link manipulator shown in next figure. Link 1 has an inertia tensor given by:

$$C_1I = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{yy1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{zz1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Assume that link 2 has all its mass,  $m_2$ , located at a point at the end-effector. Assume that gravity is directed downward (opposite  $\hat{z}_1$ ).



(10)

VI A single-link robot with a rotary joint is motionless at  $\theta = -5^\circ$ . It is desired to move the joint in a smooth manner to  $\theta = 80^\circ$  in 4 seconds and stop smoothly. Compute the corresponding parameters of a linear trajectory with parabolic blends. Plot the position, velocity, and acceleration of the joint as a function of time. (10)

VII Write a robot program (in a language of your choice) to pick a block up from location A and place it down in location B if it is a good quality product; else in location C if it is a poor quality product. (10)