

## Tutorial 11: Attaching Coordinates Frames to Create Kinematik Models

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### Motivation for this tutorial: (Originally SolidGeometry 2.3 required)

function VLFL\_EXP11 % MUST RUN AS A SCRIPT BECAUSE OF loadweb+

```
close all;
```

### 2. Loading the 5 components of a 4DoF robot solid model

Before explaining how to create the parts of a robot kinematik we just load such components in. The command line load AIM\_robot

```
loadweb ('AIM_SGrobot.mat');
% SG0=SGfixererrors(SG0,1e-3); SGchecker(SG0);
```

```
% SG1=SGfixerrors(SG1,1e-3); SGchecker(SG1);
% SG2=SGfixerrors(SG2,1e-3); SGchecker(SG2);
% SG3=SGfixerrors(SG3,1e-3); SGchecker(SG3);
% SG4=SGfixerrors(SG4,1e-3); SGchecker(SG4);
% save ('AIM_SGrobot','SG0','SG1','SG2','SG3','SG4','SGrobot');
```

loadweb: Access path to changed from "www.mimed.mw.tum.de" to "www.mw.tum.de/mimed/" in 2020 Aug.

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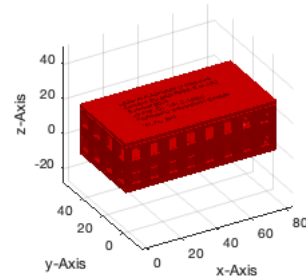
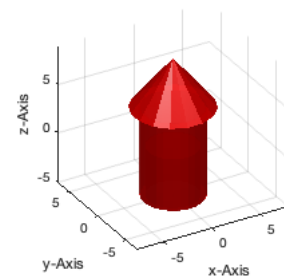
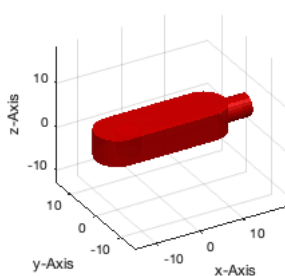
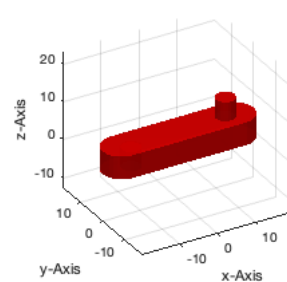
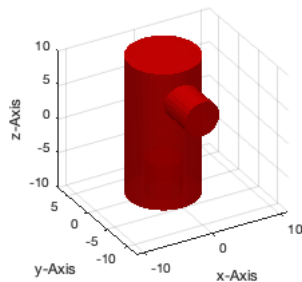
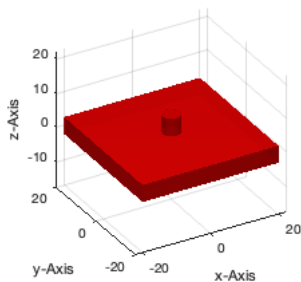
Downloading "https://www.mec.ed.tum.de/fileadmin/w00cbp/mimed/Matlab\_Toolboxes/AIM\_SGrobot.mat" into: /Volumes/LUETH-WIN/WIN AIM Matlab Libraries/Solid

- returns a solid geometry SG0 which is a base plate with a rotatorial joint
- returns a solid geometry SG1 which is a link with a rotatorial joint
- returns a solid geometry SG2 which is a link with a rotatorial joint
- returns a solid geometry SG3 which is a link with a rotatorial joint
- returns a solid geometry SG4 which is a hand with a pointing tip
- returns a solid geometry SGrobot which can be written as STL-File and printed using a 3D printer.

```
SGfigure;
```

```
subplot(2,3,1); SGplot(SG0); view (-30,30); VLFLplotlight(1,0.9);
subplot(2,3,2); SGplot(SG1); view (-30,30); VLFLplotlight(1,0.9);
subplot(2,3,3); SGplot(SG2); view (-30,30); VLFLplotlight(1,0.9);
subplot(2,3,4); SGplot(SG3); view (-30,30); VLFLplotlight(1,0.9);
subplot(2,3,5); SGplot(SG4); view (-30,30); VLFLplotlight(1,0.9);
subplot(2,3,6); SGplot(SGrobot); view (-30,30); VLFLplotlight(1,0.9);
SGwriteSTL (SGrobot,'4-DOF Robot Set');
```

```
publishSGPDF:<a href = "matlab: openbydoubleclick ('/Users/timlueth/Desktop')"/>/Users/timlueth/Desktop/</a><a href = "matlab: openbydoubleclick ('/User
```



### 3. The concept of attaching coordinate frames as 4x4 homogenous transformation matrix

If we analyze the structure of one of the components of the robot we see that we have now more than just the surface of the geometry.

```
SG0
```

```
% We see that beside vertices and facets (VL, FL) we have a color and a
% alpha value for transparency when plotting.
```

```
SG0 =
struct with fields:
    VL: [79x3 double]
    FL: [154x3 double]
    alpha: 0.8000
    color: 'm'
    Tname: {'A' 'B'}
```

```
T: {[4x4 double] [4x4 double]}
TFiL: {[2x1 double] [21x1 double]}
```

- *Tname* is a cell list contain the ascii-string of the names of the coordinate frames
- *T* is the 4x4 homogenous transformation matrix related to the indexed name
- *TFiL* is an optional index of the facets that belong to the surface that defines the coordinate system To the homogenous transformation matrix out of the struct, the most convinient way is to use the function:
- **SGT** returns for a given solid and a given frame name the 4x4 matrix
- **SGT** draws the part and the frames and the defining facets if there is no output parameter

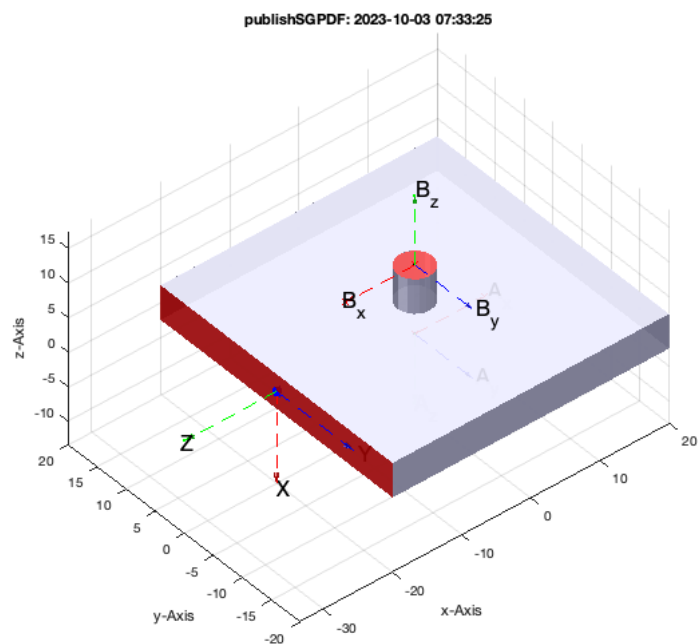
```
A=SGTui(SG0,'A')
B=SGTui(SG0,'B')

SGTplot(SG0);
view(-40,40);
```

```
A =
struct with fields:

    VL: [79x3 double]
    FL: [154x3 double]
    alpha: 0.8000
    color: 'm'
    Tname: {'A' 'B'}
    T: {[4x4 double] [4x4 double]}
    TFiL: {[2x1 double] [21x1 double]}
B =
struct with fields:

    VL: [79x3 double]
    FL: [154x3 double]
    alpha: 0.8000
    color: 'm'
    Tname: {'A' 'B'}
    T: {[4x4 double] [4x4 double]}
    TFiL: {[2x1 double] [2x1 double]}
```



#### 4. Attaching manually coordinate frames as 4x4 homogenous transformation matrix

Since there is no requirement to use the facets TFiL, T matrices and their name can easily added by a programm during the design phase. Nevertheless, there is also a need to add frames interactively. For that purpose there are two other functions to add or to remove frames.

- **SGTremove** removes a named frame from the structure
- **SGTui** opens a figure and allows to generate a frame by touching a surface or point

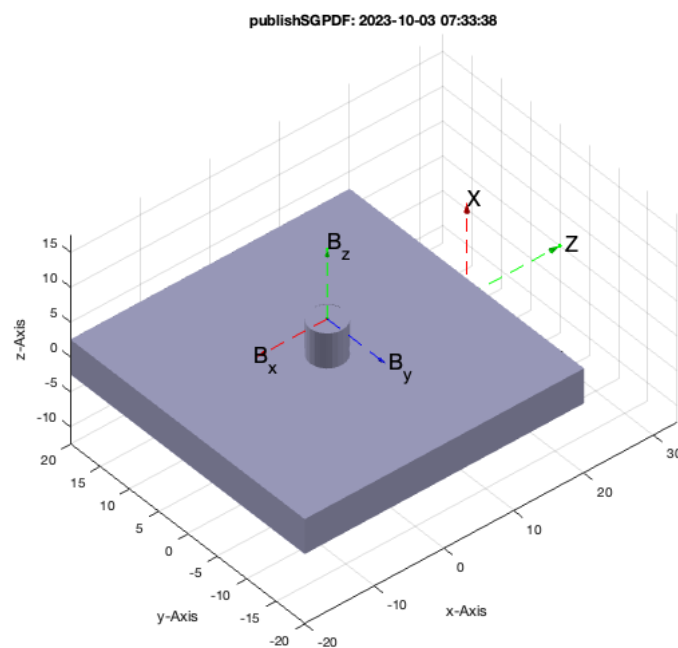
To use SGTui you should a) first rotate the part on the screen until you see the surface where you like to set a frame, b) press enter and c) click on the plane to set the frame. Now set two Frames 'C' and 'D'

```
A=SGTui(SG0,'C')
A=SGTui(A,'D')
view(-40,40);
```

```
A =
struct with fields:

    VL: [79×3 double]
    FL: [154×3 double]
alpha: 0.8000
color: 'm'
Tname: {'A' 'B' 'C'}
    T: {[4×4 double] [4×4 double] [4×4 double]}
    TFIL: {[2×1 double] [21×1 double] [2×1 double]}
A =
struct with fields:

    VL: [79×3 double]
    FL: [154×3 double]
alpha: 0.8000
color: 'm'
Tname: {'A' 'B' 'C' 'D'}
    T: {[4×4 double] [4×4 double] [4×4 double] [4×4 double]}
    TFIL: {[2×1 double] [21×1 double] [2×1 double] [2×1 double]}
```



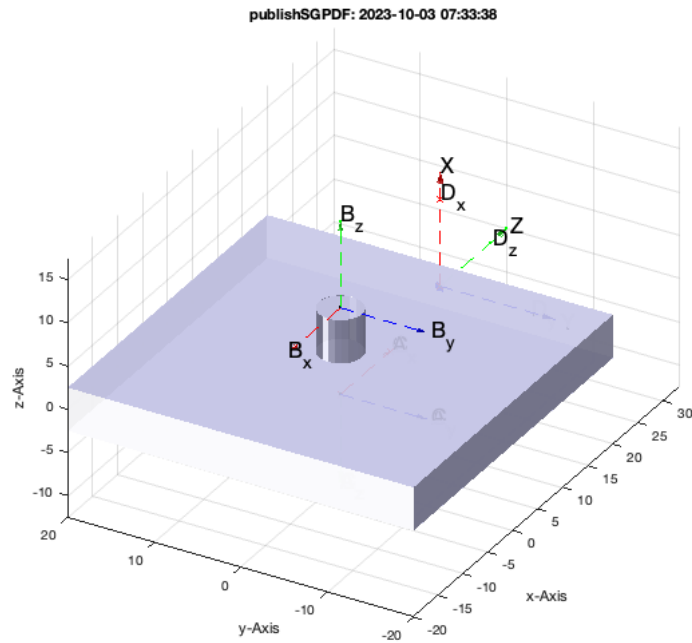
No we remove the first two frames 'A' and 'B'

```
A=SGTremove(A,'A')
A=SGTremove(A,'B')
SGT(A); view(-60,30);
```

```
A =
struct with fields:

    VL: [79×3 double]
    FL: [154×3 double]
alpha: 0.8000
color: 'm'
Tname: {'B' 'C' 'D'}
    T: {[4×4 double] [4×4 double] [4×4 double]}
    TFIL: {[21×1 double] [2×1 double] [2×1 double]}
A =
struct with fields:

    VL: [79×3 double]
    FL: [154×3 double]
alpha: 0.8000
color: 'm'
Tname: {'C' 'D'}
    T: {[4×4 double] [4×4 double]}
    TFIL: {[2×1 double] [2×1 double]}
```



## 5. Creating kinematic models consisting of named solids

After being able to attach coordinate systems by frames to a solid, we can chain these solids by a string that describes which frames of the individual objects are linked together. For this purpose we define a structure **KM (kinematik model)** that is a list of solids, followed by an ascii identifier and a transformation matrix for the origin of the solid. If the solids are chained, a function **KMchain** calculates those 3rd column transformation matrix to move and rotate the solid so that it fits to the given description of linked frames. **KMplot** shows the position of the individual solids in space.

```
% KM={SG0,'A',eye(4);SG1,'B',eye(4);SG2,'C',eye(4);SG3,'D',eye(4);SG4,'E',eye(4)}

KM.SG={SG0,SG1,SG2,SG3,SG4};
KM.Sname={'A','B','C','D','E'};
KM.BT={eye(4),eye(4),eye(4),eye(4),eye(4)};

KMchain(KM,'A-A-B-B-A-B-B-C-A-C-B-D-A-D-B-E-A-E-B-');
KM=KMchain(KM,'A-A-B-B-A-B-B-C-A-C-B-D-A-D-B-E-A-E-B-')
KMplot(KM);

% Now let us see how the 3rd column matrices describe the position of the
% solids in 3D space to create the robot model
KM.BT{:}
```

```
KM =
  struct with fields:
    SG: {1x5 cell}
    Sname: {'A' 'B' 'C' 'D' 'E'}
    BT: {1x5 cell}

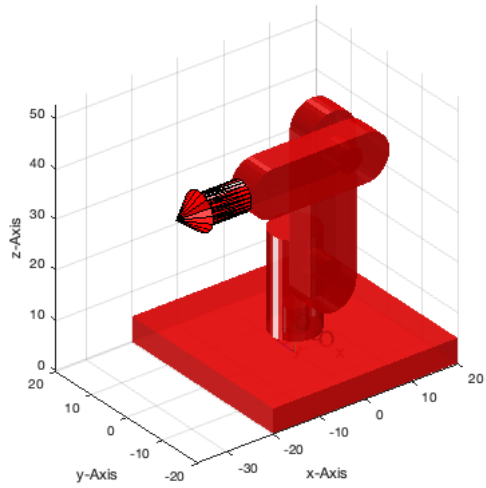
ans =
  -0.0000    1.0000   -0.0000   -0.0000
  -1.0000   -0.0000    0.0000    0.0000
  -0.0000    0.0000    1.0000    2.5000
  0.0000    0.0000    0.0000    1.0000

ans =
  1.0000    0.0000   -0.0000   -0.0120
  -0.0000    1.0000   -0.0000   -0.0120
  0.0000    0.0000    1.0000   15.0000
  0.0000    0.0000    0.0000    1.0000

ans =
  -0.0000   -1.0000    0.0000   -0.0000
  0.0000   -0.0000   -1.0000   -4.9880
  1.0000    0.0000   -0.0000   32.9590
  0.0000    0.0000    0.0000    1.0000

ans =
  -1.0000    0.0000    0.0000   -7.4530
  0.0000   -0.0000   -1.0000  -10.9880
  0.0000   -1.0000   -0.0000   45.4350
  0.0000    0.0000    0.0000    1.0000

ans =
  0.0000   -0.0000   -1.0000  -27.4290
  -0.0000   -1.0000    0.0000  -13.9760
  -1.0000   -0.0000    0.0000   45.4470
  0.0000    0.0000    0.0000    1.0000
```



**6. Automatic creation of a chain**

```
KMofSGs({SG0,SG1,SG4})
```

```
KMofSGs: No collisions found for tolerance: 0.10
ans =
  struct with fields:
    SG: {[1x1 struct] [1x1 struct] [1x1 struct]}
    Sname: {3x1 cell}
    BT: {3x1 cell}
    KC: {'A.A-A.B-B.A-B-B-C.A-C.B-'}
```



**Final remarks on toolbox version and execution date**

```
VLFLlicense
```

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```
===== Used Matlab products: =====  
database_toolbox  
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fixed_point_toolbox  
image_toolbox  
map_toolbox  
matlab  
optimization_toolbox  
pde_toolbox  
phased_array_system_toolbox  
signal_blocks  
signal_toolbox  
simmechanics  
simscape  
simulink  
statistics_toolbox  
=====
```

- *Tim Lueth, tested and compiled on OSX 10.7.5 with Matlab 2014b on 2015-06-08*
- *Christina Friedrich, executed and published on 64 Bit PC using Windows with Matlab 2015a on 2015-06-17*

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