

Figure 1: XY Plane (Top)

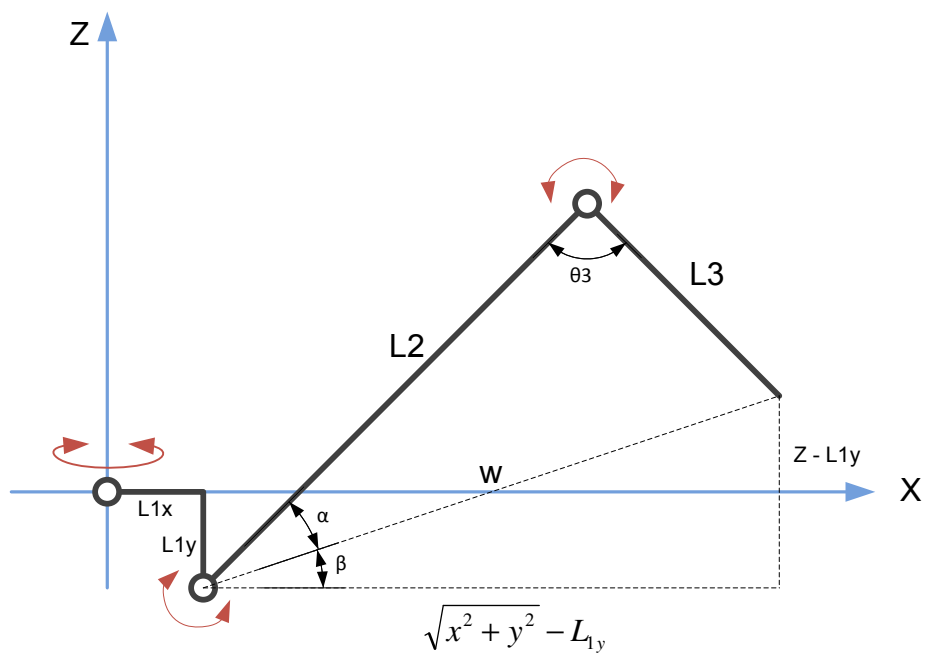


Figure 2: XZ Plane (Side)

SOLUTION:

θ_1 is the easiest to solve. Referring to figure 1, just use the Pythagorean Theorem.

$$\theta_1 = \text{atan}(y, x)$$

For θ_2 and θ_3 , refer to figure 2. The solution uses the Law of Cosines for solving $\cos\alpha$ and $\cos\theta_3$. The Pythagorean Identities were also used.

$$w = \sqrt{(x - L_{1x}\cos\theta_1)^2 + (y - L_{1x}\sin\theta_1)^2 + (z - L_{1y})^2}$$

$$\cos\alpha = \frac{L_2^2 + w^2 - L_3^2}{2L_2w}$$

$$\cos\theta_3 = \frac{w^2 - L_2^2 - L_3^2}{2L_2L_3}$$

$$\beta = \text{atan}(z - L_{1y}, \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - L_{1x})$$

$$\alpha = \text{atan}(\sqrt{1 - \cos\alpha^2}, \cos\alpha)$$

$$\theta_2 = -(\beta + \alpha)$$

$$\theta_3 = \text{atan}(\sqrt{1 - \cos\theta_3^2}, \cos\theta_3)$$

Note:

$$\alpha = \text{atan}(\sin\alpha, \cos\alpha)$$

using Pythagorean Identities:

$$\sin\alpha = \sqrt{1 - \cos\alpha^2}$$

therefore:

$$\alpha = \text{atan}(\sqrt{1 - \cos\alpha^2}, \cos\alpha)$$