# Mathematical Modeling of Assembly

- Coordinate frames
  - each part has a base coordinate frame
- Relationships between parts are expressed as 4x4 matrix transforms



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## Matrix Math

- 4x4 matrices relate adjacent frames
- Matrix contains rotational part and translational part
- Translation occurs first, so rotation does not change position of new frame

#### **Basic Translation and Rotation**



$$T = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} r_{12} r_{13} & p_x \\ r_{21} r_{22} r_{23} & p_y \\ r_{31} r_{32} r_{33} & p_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} R & p \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Watch Transform Ordering!

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} R & p \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} I & p \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} R & 0 \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\neq \begin{bmatrix} R & 0 \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} I & p \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} !!!$$

#### **Composite Transforms**

$$T_{02} = T_{01} T_{12}$$

$$T_{02} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{01} & p_{01} \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_{12} & p_{12} \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{02} & p_{12} \\ T_{02} & T_{12} \\ T_{02} & T_{12} \\ T_{12} & T_{12} \\ T_{12} & T_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{01} \text{ locates frame 1 in frame 0 coordinates}$$

$$T_{12} \text{ locates frame 1 in frame 1 coordinates}$$

T<sub>02</sub> locates frame 2 in frame 0 coordinates

## Nominal Mating of Parts



The nominal location of part B can be calculated from the nominal location of part A using 4x4 transform math

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# Example · Pin & Hole Mating (pin translated)



# Example - Pin & Hole Mating (pin rotated)



function degtorad = dtr(theta) % Converts degrees to radians degtorad=theta\*pi/180;

# Example - Pin & Hole Mating (feature on first part)



# Example - Pin & Hole Mating (feature on second part)



# Example - Pin & Hole Mating (Assembling two parts)



#### **Part Location Variation**



- Varied location of Part B calculated from nominal location of Part A
- Uses same math as nominal model!

## Chaining together parts



## Variation Anal ysis

- Error types:
  - Change in process average (mean shift)
  - Process variation around average (variance)



#### **Precision vs. Accuracy**



Consistent but consistently wrong

Right on the average

#### **Desired Distribution**



- LSL = lower specification limit
- USL = upper specification limit

# **Error Accumul** ation

- Worst case tolerancing:
  - assume all errors at extremes



- errors accumulate linearly w/ # of parts
- deterministic, not statistical
- Statistical tolerancing
  - assume errors distributed randomly between limits
  - errors accumulate as sqrt of # of parts



• if mean is equal to nominal dimension!

## **Error Accumul** ation

- Sums of zero-mean errors accumulate as sqrt(N), because + and - errors cancel
- Sums of non-zero-mean errors accumulate as N, because there are no cancellations



# How do Non-zero-mean errors occur?

- Example:
  - operator stops material removal as soon as part enters tolerance zone



#### Example - Stapler Variations



## (small) Error Transform

$$DT = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\delta\theta_z & \delta\theta_y & dx \\ \delta\theta_z & 1 & -\delta\theta_x & dy \\ -\delta\theta_y & \delta\theta_x & 1 & dz \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{d\theta} \xrightarrow{d\theta} \xrightarrow{dp} T$$
$$T' = T * DT$$

# Using Error Transform



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>>  $T_{AD} = trans(3,2,4) * roty(dtr(90))$ % dtr converts degrees to radians

=	0	0	1	3	
	0	1	0	2	
	$^{-1}$	0	0	4	
	0	0	0	1]	



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