

Satellite Orbit Control

HW7

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1 Given

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_1 &= 100 [\text{min}] = 6 \cdot 10^3 [\text{sec}] & T_2 &= T_1 = 6 \cdot 10^3 [\text{sec}] \\
 e_1 &= 0 & e_2 &= 0 \\
 a_1 &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{\mu T_1^2}{4\pi^2}} = 7.1366 \cdot 10^3 [\text{km}] & a_2 &= a_1 = 7.1366 \cdot 10^3 [\text{km}] \\
 \alpha &= \Delta i = 0.01^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

In CW frame with origin at Satellite #1 and at $t = 0$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_2(0) = 0 \\ y_2(0) = -1 \\ z_2(0) = 1 \end{pmatrix} [\text{km}] \quad \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_2(0) = 0 \\ \dot{y}_2(0) = 0 \\ \dot{z}_2(0) = -0.74267 \cdot n \end{pmatrix} \left[\frac{\text{km}}{\text{sec}} \right]$$

1.1 Desired

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_2(t_f) = 0 \\ y_2(t_f) = 0 \\ z_2(t_f) = 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_2(t_f) = 0 \\ \dot{y}_2(t_f) = 0 \\ \dot{z}_2(t_f) = 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

1.2 Limitations

$$a_{\max} = 4 \cdot 10^{-5} \left[\frac{\text{km}}{\text{sec}^2} \right] \quad t_f = 2000 [\text{sec}]$$

2 The CW equations

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{x} - 2n\dot{y} - 3n^2x = f_x \\ \ddot{y} + 2n\dot{x} = f_y \\ \ddot{z} + n^2z = f_z \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

2.1 x-y

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \dot{x} \\ y \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = F\vec{x} + G\vec{f} \quad (3)$$

Where:

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3n^2 & 0 & 0 & 2n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2n & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad G = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{f} = \begin{pmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

2.2 z

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} z \\ \dot{z} \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = F\vec{x} + Gf \quad (6)$$

Where:

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -n^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad G = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad f = (f_z) \quad (7)$$

2.3 x-y-z

The equations of motion in state space form are therefor:

$$\vec{x} = (x \quad \dot{x} \quad y \quad \dot{y} \quad z \quad \dot{z})^T \quad (8)$$

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = F\vec{x} + G\vec{f} \quad (9)$$

Where:

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3n^2 & 0 & 0 & 2n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2n & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -n^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad G = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{f} = \begin{pmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \\ f_z \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

3 Optimal Linear Time-Varying Gains

It is needed to fulfill the end condition:

$$\Psi(\vec{x}_{(t_f)}) = \underbrace{\Psi \vec{x}_f}_{q \times n} \quad (11)$$

while minimazing the use of fuel:

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t_f} \vec{f}^T \vec{f} dt \quad (12)$$

We will use the Pontriagin optimization method:

$$J = \vec{\nu}^T \Psi \vec{x}_f + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t_f} \vec{f}^T \vec{f} dt \quad (13)$$

The Hemiltonian:

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \vec{f}^T \vec{f} + \vec{\lambda}^T (F\vec{x} + G\vec{f}) \quad \text{where} \quad \vec{\lambda} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_x \\ \lambda_{\dot{x}} \\ \lambda_y \\ \lambda_{\dot{y}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (14)$$

The optimization criteria:

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{f}} = \vec{0} \quad \rightarrow \quad \vec{f} = -G^T \vec{\lambda} \quad (15)$$

and the Euler Lagrange equations:

$$\dot{\vec{\lambda}}^T = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{x}} = -\vec{\lambda}^T F \quad \rightarrow \quad \dot{\vec{\lambda}} = -F^T \vec{\lambda}, \quad \vec{\lambda}_f^T = \frac{\partial J}{\partial \vec{x}_f} = \vec{\nu}^T \Psi \quad (16)$$

Since the current problem is linear with square preformance criteria, the Euler Lagrange equation becomes linear differential equations independent of the state vector. Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\lambda}_{(t)} &= e^{-F^T t} \vec{\lambda}_0 \\ &\downarrow \vec{\lambda}_f \\ \vec{\lambda}_{(t)} &= e^{-F^T (t-t_f)} \Psi^T \vec{\nu} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

The equation of motion is therefore:

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = F\vec{x} - GG^T e^{-F^T(t-t_f)} \Psi^T \vec{\nu} \quad (18)$$

The solution of the equation is:

$$\vec{x}_{(t)} = e^{Ft} \vec{x}_0 - \int_0^t \left(e^{F(t-\tau)} GG^T e^{-F^T \tau} d\tau \right) e^{F^T t_f} \Psi^T \vec{\nu} \quad (19)$$

and can be written like:

$$\vec{x}_{(t)} = e^{Ft} \vec{x}_0 + M_{(t)} e^{F^T t_f} \Psi^T \vec{\nu} \quad M_{(t)} = \int_0^t \left(e^{F(t-\tau)} GG^T e^{-F^T \tau} d\tau \right) \quad (20)$$

The vector $\vec{\nu}$ can be found from the known final conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi \vec{x}_{(t_f)} = 0 &= \Psi \left(e^{Ft_f} \vec{x}_0 + M_{(t_f)} e^{F^T t_f} \Psi^T \vec{\nu} \right) \\ &\quad \Downarrow \\ \vec{\nu} &= - \left(\Psi M_{(t_f)} e^{F^T t_f} \Psi^T \right)^{-1} \Psi e^{Ft_f} \vec{x}_0 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

4 The Results

In our case (rendezvous), $\Psi = I$.

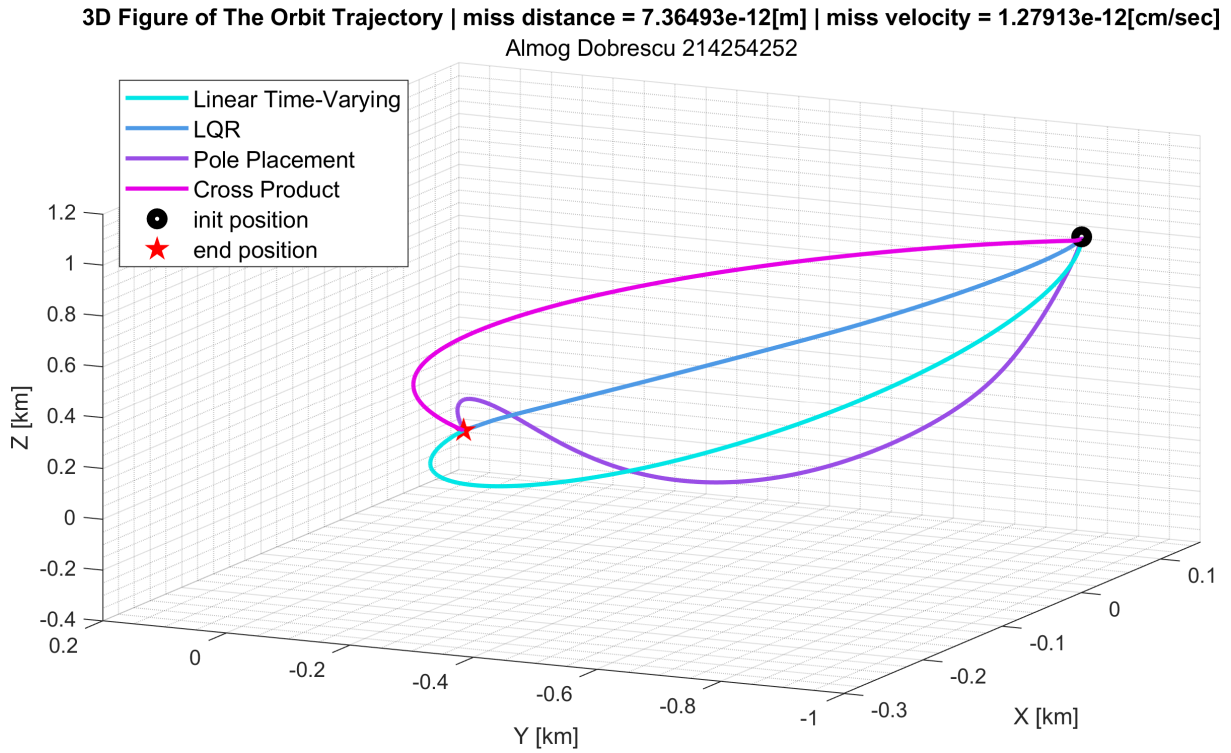


Figure 1: 3D figure of the orbit trajectory

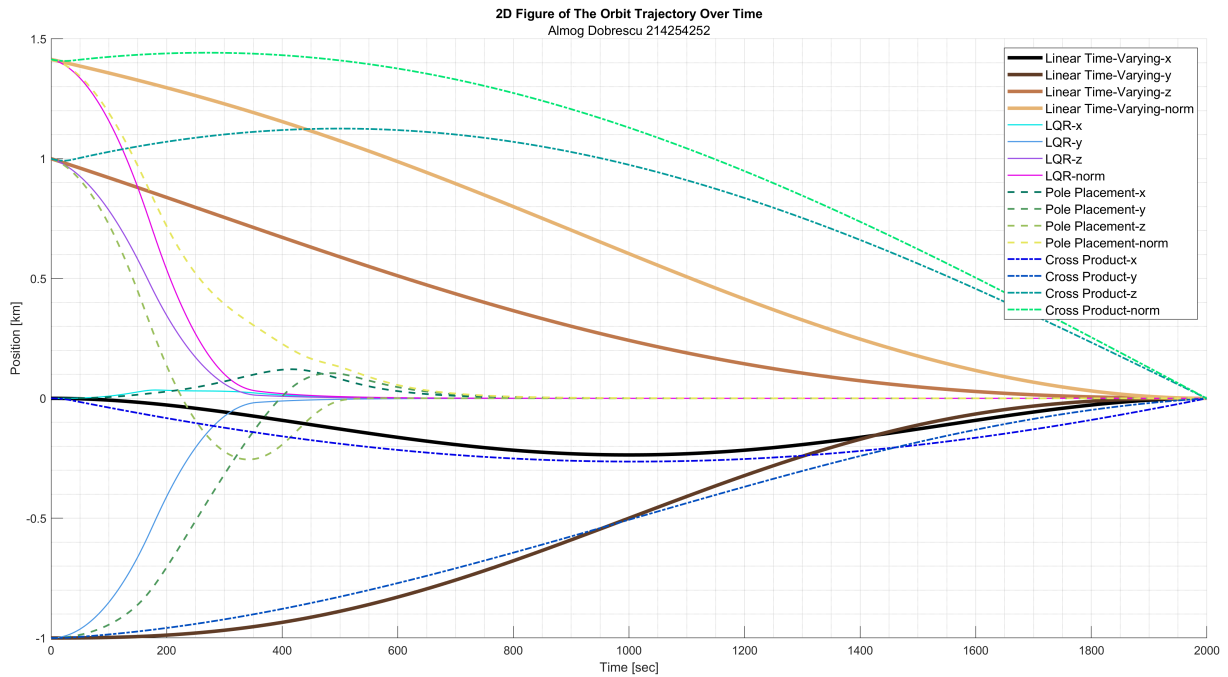


Figure 2: 2D figure of the orbit target trajectory over time

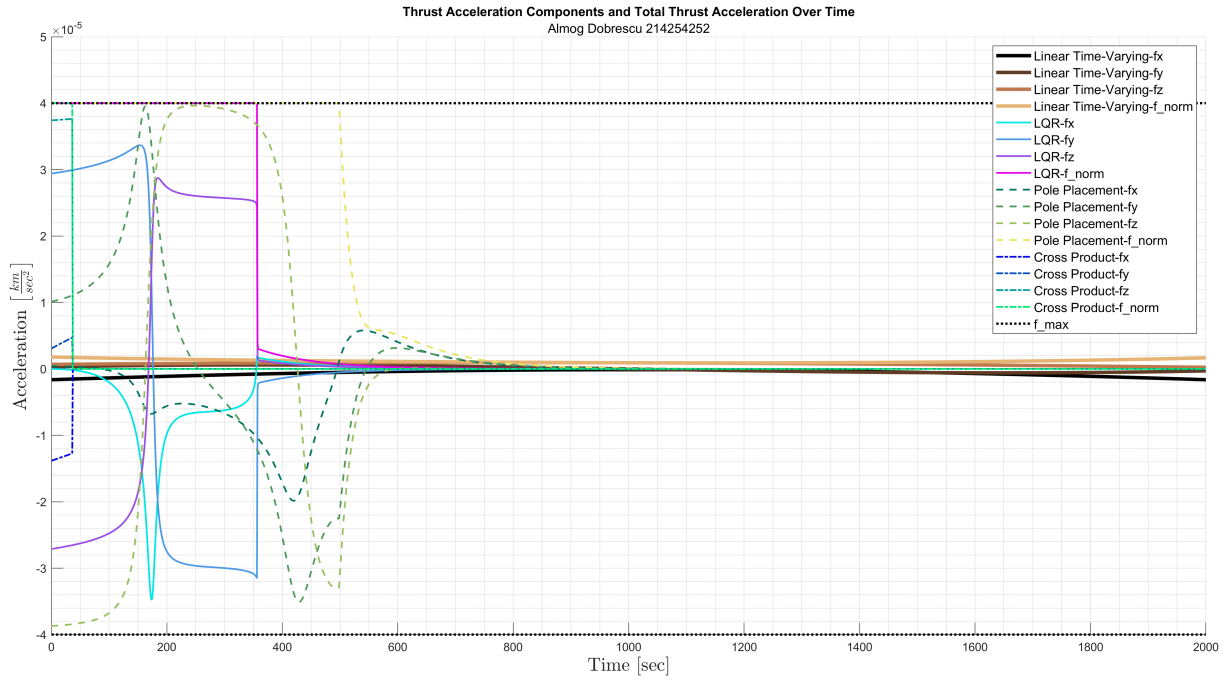


Figure 3: Thrust acceleration components and total thrust acceleration over time

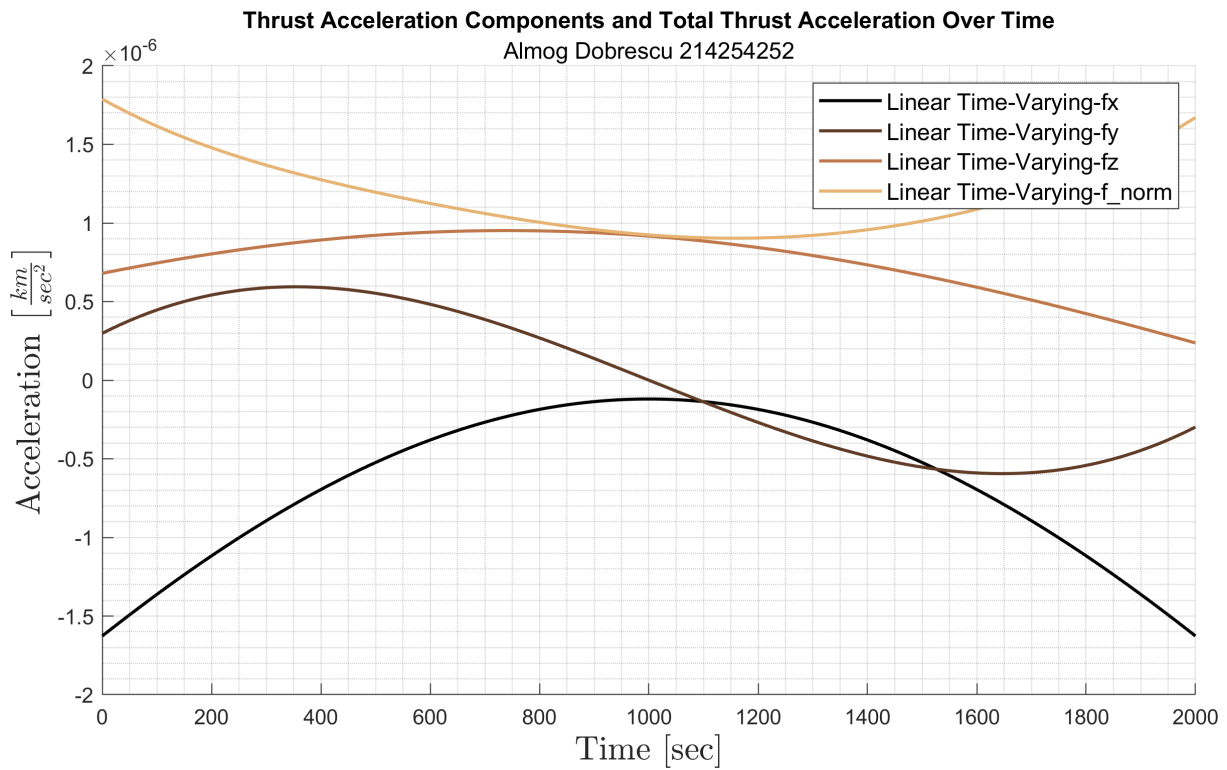
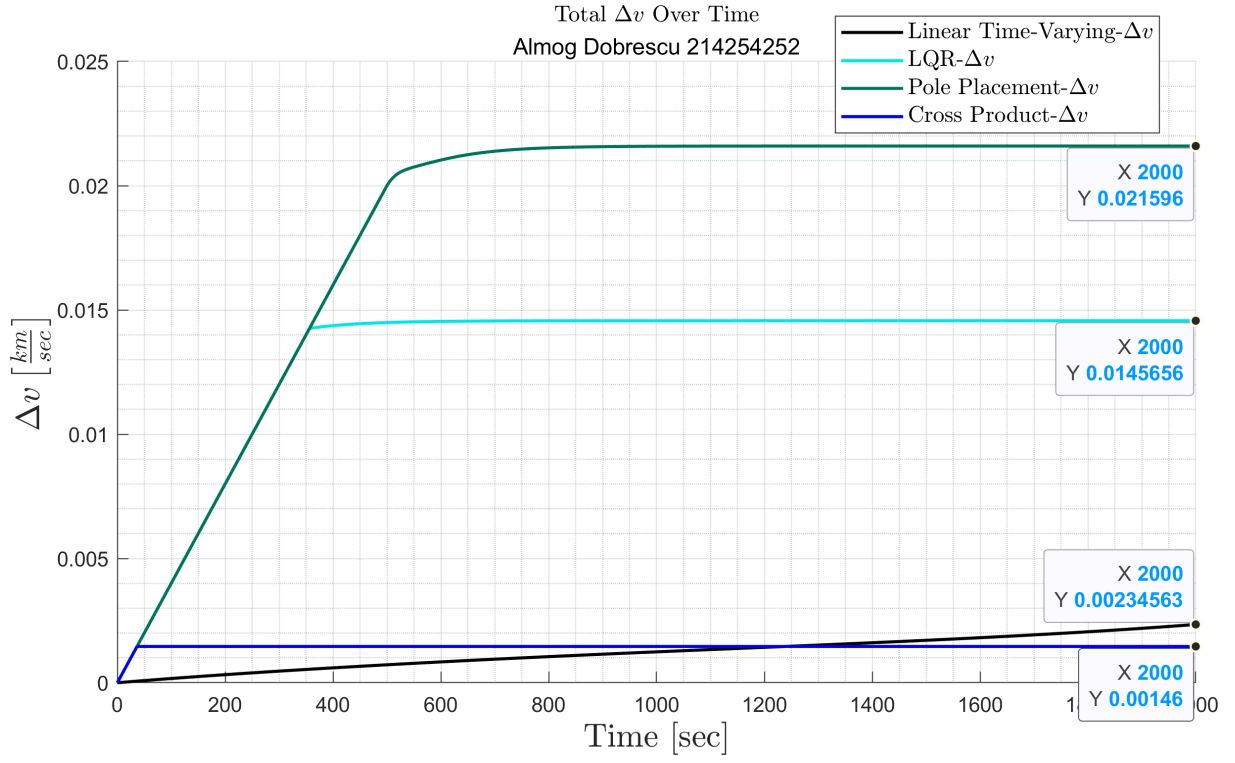


Figure 4: Thrust acceleration components and total thrust acceleration over time - only HW7

Figure 5: Total Δv over time

We can see that we indeed accomplished the design criteria:

- The thrust doesn't exceed the maximum available thrust.
- The miss distance at the final desired time is less than 1[m] ($7.3649 \cdot 10^{-12}$ [m]).
- The miss velocity at the final desired time is less than 1 $\left[\frac{\text{cm}}{\text{sec}}\right]$ ($1.2791 \cdot 10^{-12}$ $\left[\frac{\text{cm}}{\text{sec}}\right]$).

The total Δv is: $0.0023 \left[\frac{\text{km}}{\text{sec}}\right]$