EKF Jacobian Definition for ROS-Copter

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Abstract

1 Definitions

The state, x is defined as follows:

$$x = (p_n \ p_e \ p_d \ u \ v \ w \ \phi \ \theta \ \psi \ \alpha_x \ \alpha_y \ \alpha_z \ \beta_x \ \beta_y \ \beta_z)$$
 (1)

By mechanization, u is defined as accelerometer and gyro inputs, or:

$$u = (a_z g_x g_y g_z) \tag{2}$$

where a_z , g_x , g_y , and g_z are defined as the measured acceleration and angular rates.

2 Dynamics

The Dynamics are defined as follows:

$$f(x,u) = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{p_n} \\ \dot{p_e} \\ \dot{p_d} \\ \dot{u} \\ \dot{v} \\ \dot{\phi} \\ \dot{\phi}$$

Which means the Jacobian, A is defined as

with

$$C_{06} = (c_{\phi}s_{\theta}c_{\psi} + s_{\phi}s_{\psi})v + (-s_{\phi}s_{\theta}c_{\psi} + c_{\phi}s_{\psi})w$$

$$C_{07} = -s_{\theta}c_{\psi}u + s_{\phi}c_{\theta}c_{\psi}v + c_{\phi}c_{\theta}s_{\psi}w$$

$$C_{08} = -c_{\theta}s_{\psi}u + (-s_{\phi}s_{\theta}s_{\psi} - c_{\phi}c_{\psi})v + (-c_{\phi}s_{\theta}s_{\psi} + s_{\phi}c_{\psi})w$$

$$C_{16} = (c_{\phi}s_{\theta}s_{\psi} - s_{\phi}c_{\psi})v + (-s_{\phi}s_{\theta}s_{\psi} - c_{\phi}c_{\psi})w$$

$$C_{17} = -s_{\theta}c_{\psi}u + (s_{\phi}c_{\theta}s_{\psi})v + (c_{\phi}c_{\theta}s_{\psi})w$$

$$C_{18} = -c_{\theta}s_{\psi}u + (s_{\phi}s_{\theta}c_{\psi} - c_{\phi}s_{\psi})v + (c_{\phi}s_{\theta}c_{\psi} + s_{\phi}s_{\psi})w$$

$$C_{26} = c_{\phi}c_{\theta}v - s_{\phi}c_{\theta}w$$

$$C_{27} = -c_{\theta}u - s_{\phi}s_{\theta}v - c_{\phi}s_{\theta}w$$

$$C_{28} = 0$$

$$C_{66} = c_{\phi}t_{\theta}q - s_{\phi}t_{\theta}r$$

$$C_{67} = \frac{s_{\phi}q + c_{\phi}r}{c_{\theta}^{2}}$$

$$C_{76} = -s_{\phi}q - c_{\phi}r$$

$$C_{86} = \frac{qc_{\phi}-rs_{\phi}}{c_{\theta}}$$

$$C_{87} = \frac{-(qs_{\phi}+rc_{\phi})t_{\theta}}{c_{\theta}}$$

3 IMU Measurements

Because IMU measurements are defined as

$$a_{i_{true}} = a_{i_{meas}} + \alpha_i + \eta$$

$$a_{i_{meas}} = a_{i_{true}} - \alpha_i - \eta$$
(6)

the measurement model appears as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
a_{x_{true}} \\
a_{y_{true}} \\
a_{z_{true}}
\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}
\dot{u} + qw - rv + gs_{\theta} \\
\dot{v} + ru - pw - gc_{\theta}s_{\phi} \\
\dot{w} + pv - qu - gc_{\theta}c_{\phi}
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
a_{x_{meas}} \\
a_{y_{meas}} \\
a_{z_{meas}}
\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}
\dot{u} + qw - rv + gs_{\theta} \\
\dot{v} + ru - pw - gc_{\theta}s_{\phi} \\
\dot{v} + ru - pw - gc_{\theta}c_{\phi}
\end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix}
\alpha_{x} \\
\alpha_{y} \\
\alpha_{z}
\end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix}
\eta \\
\eta \\
\eta
\end{pmatrix}$$
(7)

And, after making the assumption that $\dot{u},\,\dot{v},\,\dot{w},$ and the coriolis terms are small,

$$h(x,u) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{x_{meas}} \\ a_{y_{meas}} \\ a_{z_{meas}} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} gs_{\theta} \\ -gc_{\theta}s_{\phi} \\ -gc_{\theta}c_{\phi} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{x} \\ \alpha_{y} \\ \alpha_{z} \end{pmatrix}$$
(8)

and therefore

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & gc_{\theta} & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -gc_{\theta}c_{\phi} & gs_{\theta}s_{\phi} & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & gc_{\theta}s_{\phi} & gs_{\theta}c_{\phi} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(9)$$

4 Motion Capture Measurements

Motion Capture measurements are used to directly update the position and attitude states.

$$h(x,u) = \begin{pmatrix} p_n \\ p_e \\ p_d \\ \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{pmatrix}$$
 (10)

Therefore:

5 GPS Measurements

GPS is used to directly update the position states of the filter

The UAV book tells us to take the derivative of GPS to create a pseudo-velocity measurement. I think this is weird, but I may end up

doing that too.

$$h(x,u) = \begin{pmatrix} p_n \\ p_e \\ p_d \end{pmatrix} \tag{12}$$

Therefore

VO Measurements 6

For now, I'm using VO as a pseudo-global measurement. This is wrong, because it is unobservable. To fix this, though requires a relative estimator, which I don't want to implement right now. Instead, I'm going to pretend that VO gives me a global position and attitude measurement. This will cause problems if operated for a long time, but will probably work for small flights and tests. In this case, it's exactly like the motion capture measurement model, with

$$h(x,u) = \begin{pmatrix} p_n \\ p_e \\ p_d \\ \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{pmatrix}$$
 (14)

and