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## Backstepping Approach for Controlling a Quadrotor Using Lagrange Form Dynamics

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## Dynamic inversion with zero-dynamics stabilisation for quadrotor control

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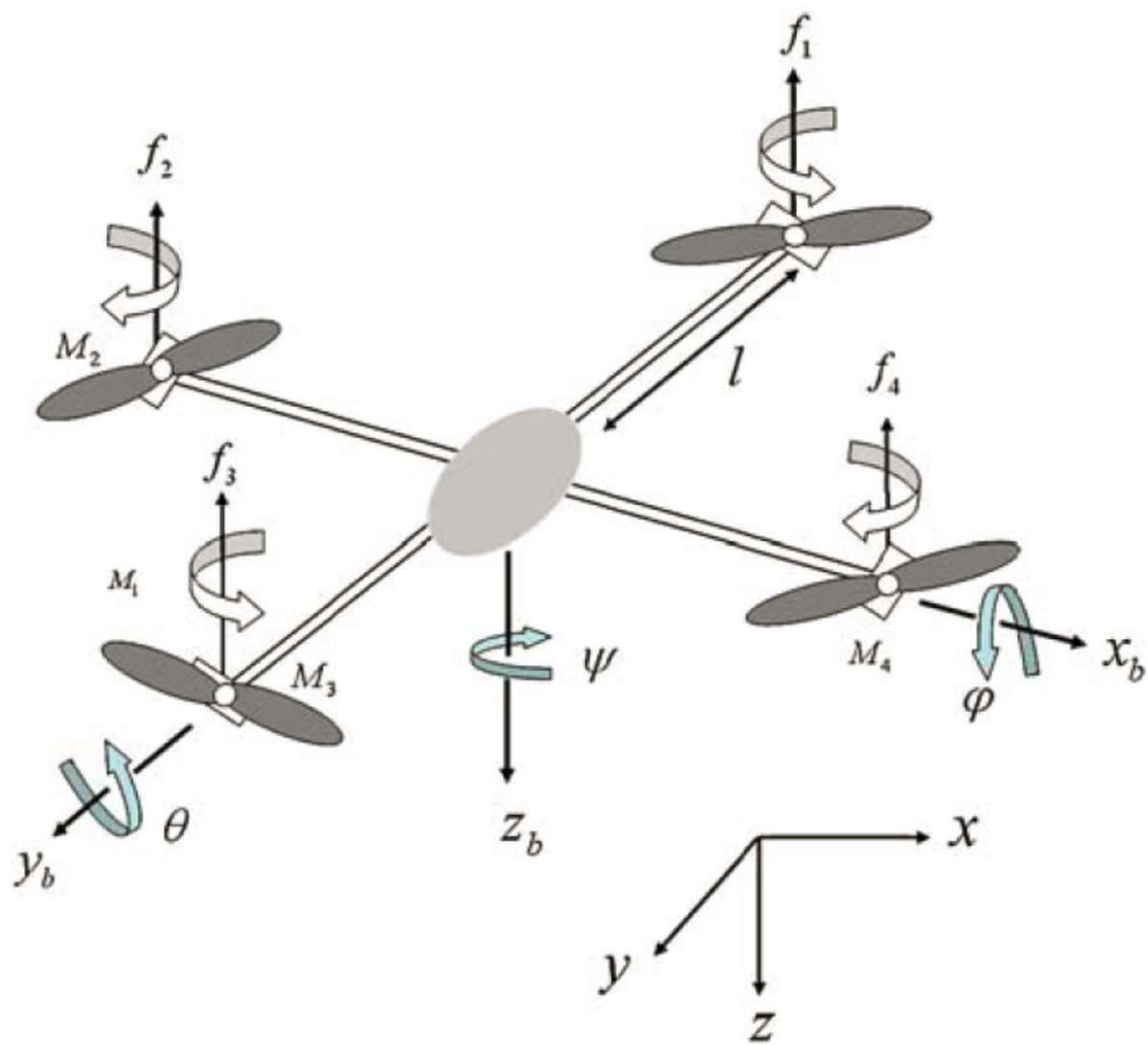


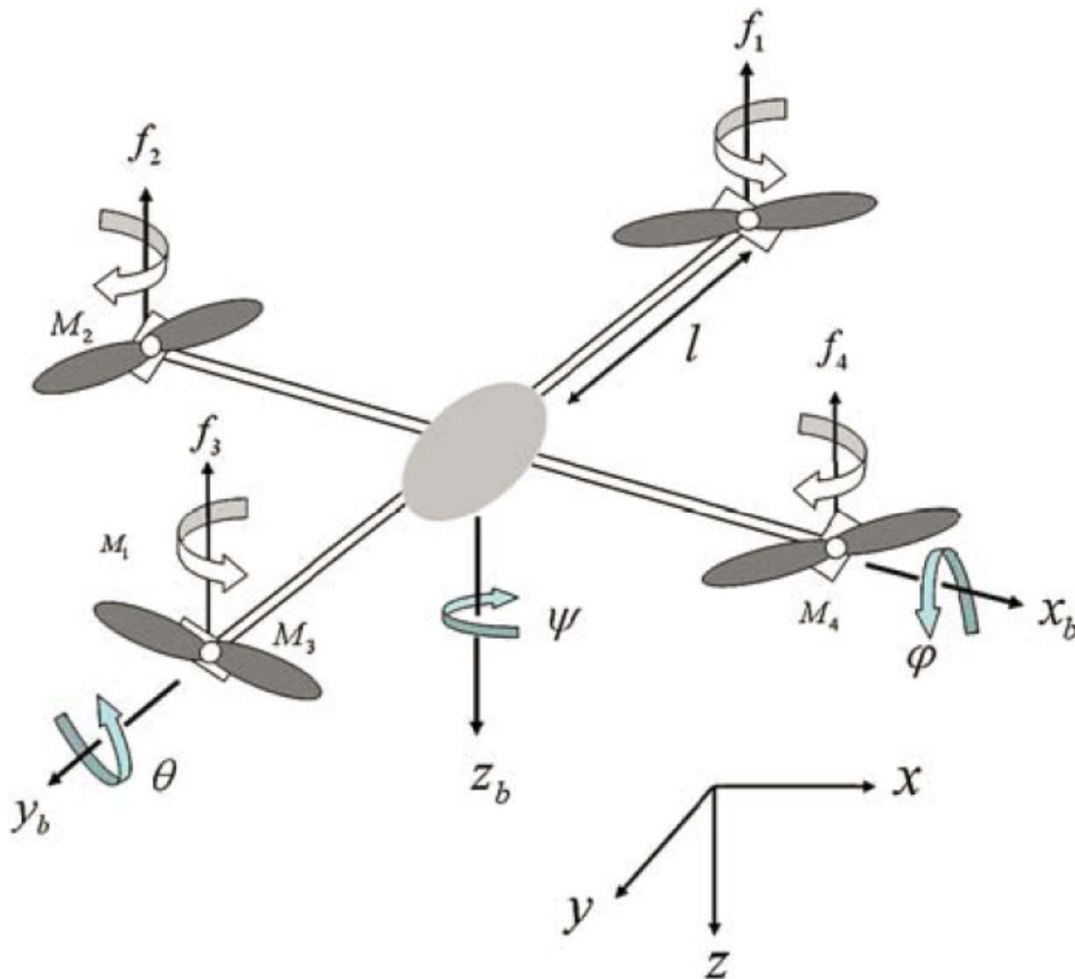
Crazyflie



3D Robotics Octocopter







Body Axes  
Vs. earth-fixed axes

The Quadrotor States

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix}$$

Position – navigational states

Roll

Pitch

yaw

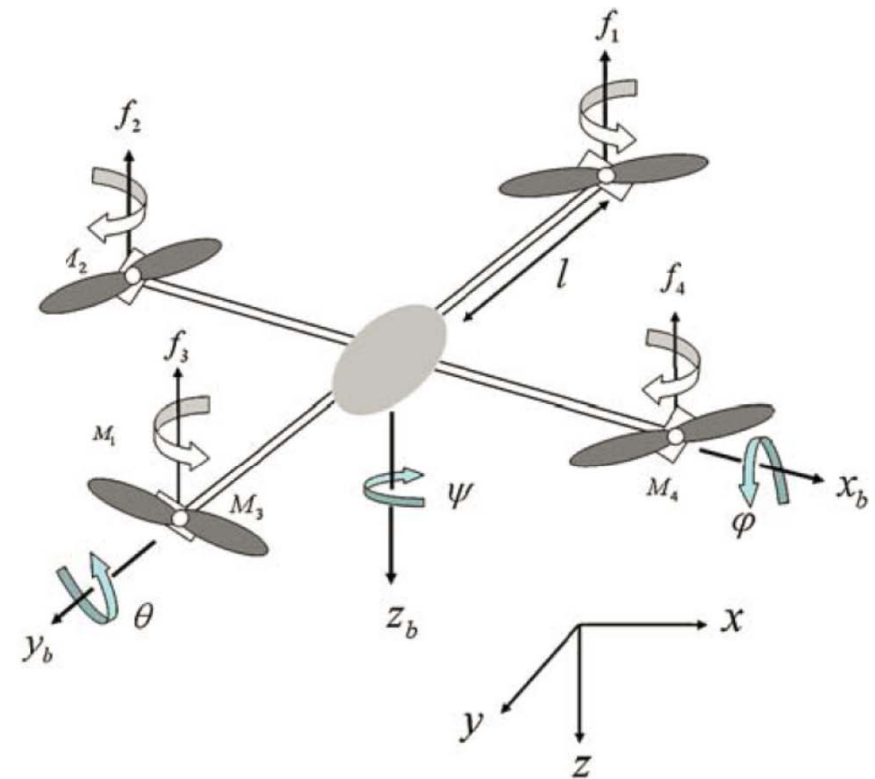
Angular position – attitudes

Control distribution from 4 actuator rotors to lift and torques

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ \tau_\varphi \\ \tau_\theta \\ \tau_\psi \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ l & 0 & -l & 0 \\ 0 & -l & 0 & l \\ c & -c & c & -c \end{pmatrix}}_M \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \end{pmatrix}}_f = Mf$$

Lift  $u$

torques  $\tau = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_\varphi \\ \tau_\theta \\ \tau_\psi \end{bmatrix}$



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$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix}$$

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Roll

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yaw

Angular position – attitudes

## The Quadrotor Controls

Lift

torques

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_\phi \\ \tau_\theta \\ \tau_\psi \end{bmatrix}$$

6 states and 4 controls = under-actuated system



Position states- navigation states

$$\xi = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

Attitude states

$$\eta = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix}$$

Quadrotor equations of motion

Position subsystem

$$m\ddot{\xi} = u \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \varphi \\ \cos \theta \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix}$$

Angle subsystem

$$J\ddot{\eta} = -C(\eta, \dot{\eta})\dot{\eta} + \tau$$

Position subsystem

$$m\ddot{\xi} = u \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \varphi \\ \cos \theta \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix} + F$$

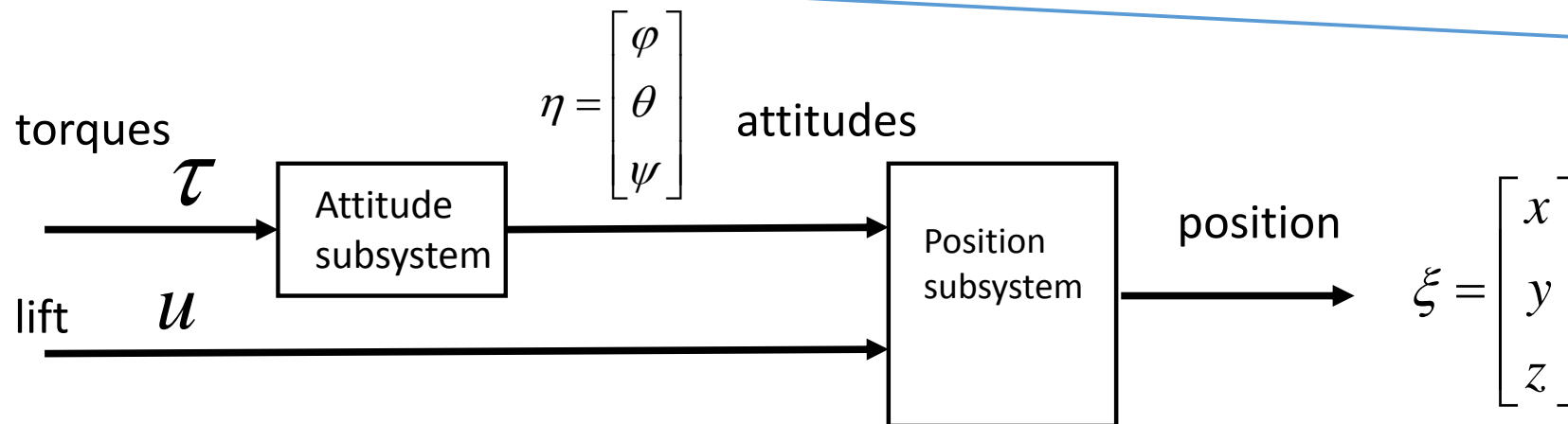
Attitude subsystem

$$J\ddot{\eta} = -C(\eta, \dot{\eta})\dot{\eta} + \tau$$

Virtual control input for position subsystem

$$F = u \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \varphi \\ \cos \theta \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$


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## Backstepping Control Design

$$m\ddot{\xi} = u \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \varphi \\ \cos \theta \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix} + F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix} + F_d - (F_d - F)$$

$$m\ddot{\xi} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix} + F_d - \tilde{F}$$

Where ideal virtual force input is  $F_d$

And force mismatch is  $\tilde{F} = F_d - F$

$$J\ddot{\eta} = -C(\eta, \dot{\eta})\dot{\eta} + \tau$$

## Backstepping Control Design

1. Pick desired virtual force  $F_d$  to make position dynamics track desired positions  $\xi_d$

$$m\ddot{\xi} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -mg \end{pmatrix} + F_d - \tilde{F}$$

2. Pick actual control – the torques  $\tau$  - to make force error  $\tilde{F}$  go to zero

$$J\ddot{\eta} = -C(\eta, \dot{\eta})\dot{\eta} + \tau$$

Given  $F_d$  find required attitude angles and lift

$$\begin{pmatrix} -u_d \sin \theta_d \\ u_d \cos \theta_d \sin \varphi_d \\ u_d \cos \theta_d \cos \varphi_d \end{pmatrix} = \hat{F}_d$$

define  $a = u_d \sin \theta_d, b = u_d \cos \theta_d$

then

$$\begin{pmatrix} -a \\ b \sin \varphi_d \\ b \cos \varphi_d \end{pmatrix} = \hat{F}_d(t) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} f_{x_d}(t) \\ f_{y_d}(t) \\ f_{z_d}(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

So that

$$a = -f_{x_d}(t)$$

$$b = \sqrt{f_{y_d}^2(t) + f_{z_d}^2(t)}$$

## An Inverse Kinematics problem

Then compute

$$u_d = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

$$\theta_d = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a}{b} \right)$$

$$\varphi_d = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{f_{y_d}}{f_{z_d}} \right)$$

Note that  $\psi$  is not involved here!



## Backstepping Controller- 2 loops

