RW Control Devices

First let us develop a feedback control law for a spacecraft with N reaction wheels with general orientation.

EOM:

$$[I_{RW}]\dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = -\boldsymbol{\omega} \times [I_{RW}]\boldsymbol{\omega} - \boldsymbol{\omega} \times [G_S]\boldsymbol{h}_S - [G_S]\boldsymbol{u}_S + \boldsymbol{L}$$

With

$$\boldsymbol{h_s} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ J_{s_i}(\omega_{s_i} + \Omega_i) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

Inertial Matrix:

$$[I_{RW}] = [I_s] + \sum_{i=1}^{N} (J_{t_i} \widehat{\boldsymbol{g}}_{t_i} \widehat{\boldsymbol{g}}_{t_i}^T + J_{g_i} \widehat{\boldsymbol{g}}_{g_i} \widehat{\boldsymbol{g}}_{g_i}^T)$$

The RW motor control torque vector is:

$$\boldsymbol{u}_{s} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ J_{s_{i}}(\dot{\Omega} + \widehat{\boldsymbol{g}}_{s_{i}}^{T} \dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Spacecraft Tracking Errors:

 σ : MRP vector of body frame relative to reference frame $\delta \omega = \omega - \omega_r$: Body angular velocity tracking error vector

• Lyapunov Function:

$$V(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \delta \boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \delta \boldsymbol{\omega}^{T} [I_{RW}] \delta \boldsymbol{\omega} + 2Kln(1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{T} \boldsymbol{\sigma})$$
Components taken in the *B* frame

• Let's set the Lyapunov Rate to:

$$\dot{V} = -\delta \boldsymbol{\omega}[P] \delta \boldsymbol{\omega} \le 0$$



$$[I_{RW}]^{\frac{B_d}{dt}}(\delta\boldsymbol{\omega}) + K\boldsymbol{\sigma} + [P]\delta\boldsymbol{\omega} = 0$$

Close-loop dynamics



$$[G_s]\boldsymbol{u_s} = K\boldsymbol{\sigma} + [P]\delta\boldsymbol{\omega} - [\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\omega}}]([I_{RW}]\boldsymbol{\omega} + [G_s]\boldsymbol{h_s}) - [I_{RW}](\dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}_r} - \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega_r}) + \boldsymbol{L}$$

 L_r

• Control condition:

$$[G_s]u_s = L_r$$

Case 1: 3 RWs aligned with principal axes of spacecraft.

$$u_s = L_r$$

Case 2: N RWs aligned generally.

$$\boldsymbol{u}_{s} = [G_{s}]^{T}([G_{s}][G_{s}]^{T})^{-1}\boldsymbol{L}_{r}$$

Minimum-norm inverse

Energy rate:

$$\dot{T} = \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \boldsymbol{L} + \sum_{i=1}^N \Omega_i u_{s_i}$$

Work/energy principle