

Lab 3 Report

Robotics Integration Group Project I

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Abstract

Lab3 explores the fundamentals of rigid body transformations and the implementation of a geometric controller for a quadrotor UAV. It separated into the following two parts: **(1)** The individual part focuses on the practical manipulation of rotations using `tf2`, `geometry_msgs`, and `Eigen` libraries within the ROS ecosystem, alongside a theoretical analysis of quadrotor dynamics and drag compensation. **(2)** The collaborative component involves implementing a non-linear geometric controller on $SE(3)$ to track dynamic trajectories. The system is integrated and validated using the TESSE Unity simulator, demonstrating the UAV's ability to follow a reference path effectively.

See Resources on github.com/RamessesN/Robotics_MIT.

1 Introduction

Precise trajectory tracking is a fundamental challenge in UAV robotics due to the system's fast and underactuated dynamics. This laboratory aims to bridge the gap between theoretical control derivation and practical software implementation within the ROS1.

The objectives of this report are threefold: **(1)** First, we practice handling rigid body transformations using `tf2` and `Eigen` libraries to ensure accurate state estimation. **(2)** Second, we analyze quadrotor dynamics, specifically examining the mixing matrix and drag force compensation. **(3)** Finally, the report details the implementation of a geometric tracking controller on the Special Euclidean group $SE(3)$, based on the work of Lee et al. We integrate this controller into the MIT-TESSE simulation environment to validate its performance. The procedure demonstrates the complete workflow from mathematical modelling to C++ implementation, culminating in the successful tracking of a complex trajectory.

2 Procedure

2.1 Individual Work

2.1.1 Transformations in Practice

1. MESSAGE VS. TF

- Assume we have an incoming `geometry_msgs::Quaternion quat_msg` that holds the pose of our robot. We need to save it in an already defined `tf2::Quaternion quat_tf` for further calculations. Write one line of C++ code to accomplish this task.

```
1 tf2::fromMsg(quat_msg, quat_tf);
```

 C++

More specifically, we can find the official documentation of `fromMsg()` at [this page](#):



Figure 1: tf2 Quaternion doc

- Assume we have just estimated our robot's newest rotation and it's saved in a variable called `quat_tf` of type `tf2::Quaternion`. Write one line of C++ code to convert it to a `geometry_msgs::Quaternion` type. Use `quat_msg` as the name of the new variable.

```
1 geometry_msgs::Quaternion quat_msg = tf2::toMsg(quat_tf);
```

 C++

More specifically, we can find the official documentation of `toMsg()` in the same [link](#) as `fromMsg()`:

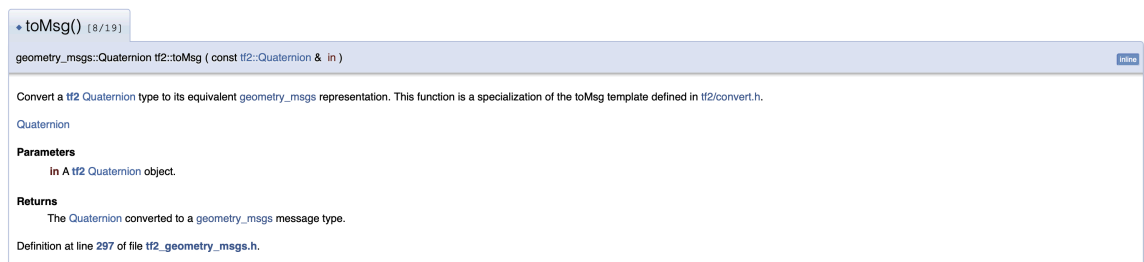


Figure 2: geometry_msgs Quaternion doc

- If you just want to know the scalar value of a `tf2::Quaternion`, what member function will you use?

```
1 double scalar = quat_tf.getW();
```

 C++

More specifically, we find the official documentation of `getW()` [here](#):

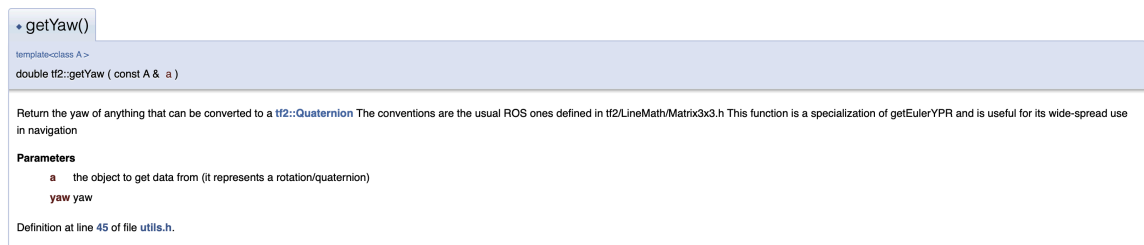
Figure 3: Quaternion `get_w` doc

2. CONVERSION

- Assume you have a `tf2::Quaternion quat_t`. How to extract the yaw component of the rotation with just one function call?

```
1 double yaw = tf2::getYaw(quat_t);
```

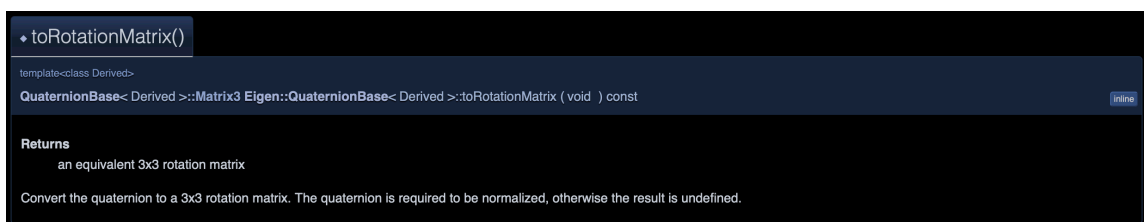
More specifically, the doc of `getYaw()` is shown at [this page](#):

Figure 4: Quaternion `get_yaw` doc

- Assume you have a `geometry_msgs::Quaternion quat_msg`. How to you convert it to an Eigen 3-by-3 matrix? Refer to [this](#) for possible functions. You probably need two function calls for this.

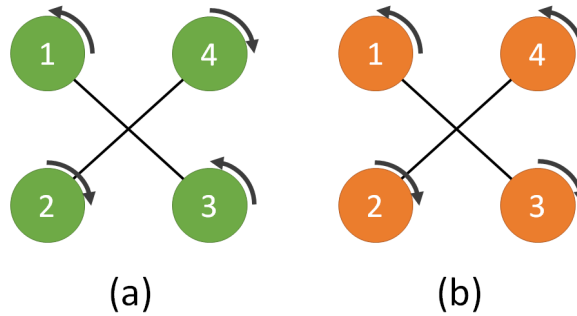
```
1 #include <tf2_eigen/tf2_eigen.h>
2
3 Eigen::Quaterniond eigen_quat;
4
5 // The first function to call
6 tf2::fromMsg(quat_msg, eigen_quat);
7 // The second function to call
8 Eigen::Matrix3d eigen_mat3 = eigen_quat.toRotationMatrix();
```

More specifically, the doc of `toRotationMatrix()` can be found [here](#):

Figure 5: Eigen `toRotationMatrix` doc

2.1.2 Modelling and control of UAVs

1. STRUCTURE OF QUADROTORS



The figure above depicts two quadrotors (a) and (b). Quadrotor (a) is a fully functional UAV, while for Quadrotor (b) someone changed propellers 3 and 4 and reversed their respective rotation directions.

Show mathematically that quadrotor (b) is not able to track a trajectory defined in position $[x, y, z]$ and yaw orientation Ψ .

In order to proof quadrotor (b) is not able to track a trajectory, we have to judge whether the rank of the matrix F is full.

The quadrotor has four inputs - the thrust of 4 motors: f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 , and four outputs free degrees (total thrust T and three-axis torque $\tau_{\text{roll}}, \tau_{\text{pitch}},$ and τ_{yaw}). The linear equation is:

$$u = Ff \quad (1)$$

which $u = [T, \tau_{\text{roll}}, \tau_{\text{pitch}}, \tau_{\text{yaw}}]^T$ is the output vector, $f = [f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4]^T$ is the input vector.

| | Quadrotor (a) | Quadrotor (b) |
|---|--|--|
| Thrust T | $[1, 1, 1, 1]$ | $[1, 1, 1, 1]$ |
| Roll τ_{roll} | $[-d, -d, d, d]$ | $[-d, -d, d, d]$ |
| Pitch τ_{pitch} | $[d, -d, -d, d]$ | $[d, -d, -d, d]$ |
| Yaw τ_{yaw} | $[-c, c, -c, c]$ | $[-c, c, c, -c]$ |
| Matrix F | $F_a = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -d & -d & d & d \\ d & -d & -d & d \\ -c & c & -c & c \end{bmatrix}$ | $F_b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -d & -d & d & d \\ d & -d & -d & d \\ -c & c & c & -c \end{bmatrix}$ |
| Rank | 4 (full) | 3 (not full) |

Table 1: Comparison of Quadrotors

$\therefore \text{rank}_b = 3 < 4 \therefore$ the matrix F_b isn't full rank, which means that the output space of the system has only 3 dimensions so that it is not able to track a trajectory defined with $[x, y, z, \Psi]$.

2. CONTROL OF QUADROTORS

Assume that empirical data suggest you can approximate the drag force (in the body frame) of a quadrotor body as:

$$F^b = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} (v^b)^2 \quad (2)$$

With $(v^b)^2 = [-v_x^b \cdot |v_x^b|, -v_y^b \cdot |v_y^b|, -v_z^b \cdot |v_z^b|]^T$, and v_x, v_y, v_z being the quadrotor velocities along the axes of the body frame.

With the controller discussed in class (see referenced paper ¹), describe how you could use the information above to improve the tracking performance.

From the [referenced paper](#), we have:

$$\begin{cases} m\dot{v} = mge_3 - fRe_3 \\ \vec{b}_{3d} = -\frac{-k_x e_x - k_v e_v - mge_3 + m\ddot{x}_d}{\| -k_x e_x - k_v e_v - mge_3 + m\ddot{x}_d \|} \\ f = -(-k_x e_x - k_v e_v - mge_3 + m\ddot{x}_d) \cdot Re_3 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

\therefore Expected resultant force vector: $u_{\text{nominal}} = -k_x e_x - k_v e_v - mge_3 + m\ddot{x}_d$

\therefore Drag Force: $D_{\text{inertial}} = R \cdot F_{\text{drag}}^b = R \cdot \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} (v_b)^2_{\text{signed}} \right)$

$\therefore u_{\text{new}} = u_{\text{nominal}} - D_{\text{inertial}} = -k_x e_x - k_v e_v - mge_3 + m\ddot{x}_d - R \cdot F_{\text{drag}}^b$

\therefore we have $\begin{cases} \vec{b}_{3d} = -\frac{u_{\text{new}}}{\|u_{\text{new}}\|} \\ f = -u_{\text{new}} \cdot Re^3 \end{cases}$.

2.2 Team Work

2.2.1 Trajectory tracking for UAVs

This section is to set up the environment, launch the simulator with ROS bridge, and implement the geometric controller for trajectory tracking.

First, we need to set up the workspace and install the dependencies.

```
1 sudo apt install ros-noetic-ackermann-msgs
```

 Shell

Then, change to the `labs` directory, pull the latest code, and copy the `lab3` files to the ROS workspace.

```
1 cd ~/labs
2 git pull
3
4 cp -r ~/labs/lab3/. ~/vnav_ws/src
5 cd ~/vnav_ws
```

Install the `tesse-interface` package and clone the `mav_comm` repository.

```
1 cd ~/vnav_ws/src/tesse-ros-bridge/tesse-interface
2 pip install -r requirements.txt # Dependencies
3 pip install .
4
5 cd ~/vnav_ws/src && git clone https://github.com/ethz-asl/mav_comm.git
```

Build the workspace and make the simulator executable.

```
1 catkin build
2 source devel/setup.bash
3
4 cd ~/vnav-builds/lab3/
5 chmod +x lab3.x86_64
```

2.2.2 Launching the TESSE simulator with ROS bridge

This section is to launch the TESSE simulator with ROS bridge and visualize the UAV in RViz. First, we need to run the simulator and the ROS bridge.

```
1 cd ~/vnav-builds/lab3/
2 ./lab3.x86_64
3
4 source devel/setup.zsh
5 roslaunch tesse_ros_bridge tesse_quadrotor_bridge.launch
```

Then, we can open RViz with the provided configuration file to visualize the UAV and its trajectory.

```
1 cd ~/vnav_ws/src/controller_pkg
2 rviz -d rviz/lab3.rviz
```

2.2.3 Implement the controller

This section describes the implementation of the geometric controller for the UAV in C++. The controller subscribes to the desired and current state topics and publishes the rotor speed commands.

| Topic Name | Message Type | Structure & Description |
|-------------------|--|--|
| /desired_state | trajectory_msgs/ MultiDOFJoint TrajectoryPoint | transforms (geometry_msgs/Transform[]): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> translation: 3D vector, desired position (World frame). rotation: Quaternion, desired orientation (Yaw only). velocities (geometry_msgs/Twist[]): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> linear: 3D vector, desired velocity (World frame). angular: <i>Ignored</i>. accelerations (geometry_msgs/Twist[]): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> linear: 3D vector, desired acceleration (World frame). angular: <i>Ignored</i>. |
| /current_state | nav_msgs/Odometry | pose.pose (geometry_msgs/Pose): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> position: 3D vector, current position (World frame). orientation: Quaternion, current UAV orientation. twist.twist (geometry_msgs/Twist): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> linear: 3D vector, current linear velocity (World frame). angular: 3D vector, current angular velocity (World frame). |
| /rotor_speed_cmds | mav_msgs/Actuators | angular_velocities (float64[]): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Array containing the desired speeds of the propellers. |

2.2.4 Simulator conventions

There are three key differences between the mathematical model presented in the reference paper and the conventions used in the TESSE simulator (and standard ROS frames). We have adapted the controller implementation to account for these differences:

1. Reference Frame (Z-axis direction):

- The paper assumes a Z-down coordinate system where the gravity vector is positive along the z -axis ($mg\mathbf{e}_3$).

- The simulator uses the standard ROS ENU (East-North-Up) frame where the z -axis points upward. Consequently, the gravity compensation term in the desired force calculation must be inverted.
- **Modification:** In Equation (12) of the paper, the term $-mge_3$ is replaced by $+mge_3$ to counteract gravity in the Z-up frame.

2. Motor Configuration:

- The paper assumes a + configuration where the body X-axis is aligned with one of the rotors. This results in a mixing matrix where pitch and roll moments are decoupled.
- The simulator uses an x configuration where the body axes are offset by 45° from the rotor arms. This means all four rotors contribute to both roll and pitch moments.
- **Modification:** The mixing matrix (mapping from rotor forces to body wrench) is adapted. Let $L = \frac{d}{\sqrt{2}}$ be the projected arm length, the mapping becomes:

$$\begin{bmatrix} f \\ M_x \\ M_y \\ M_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -L & L & L & -L \\ -L & -L & L & L \\ -\kappa & \kappa & -\kappa & \kappa \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Aerodynamic Coefficients:

- The paper defines a single ratio coefficient $c_{\tau f}$ relating torque to thrust.
- The simulator specifies separate lift coefficient c_f and drag coefficient c_d .
- **Modification:** We define $\kappa = \frac{c_d}{c_f}$ to match the term $c_{\tau f}$ used in the paper's derivation.

2.2.5 Geometric controller for the UAV

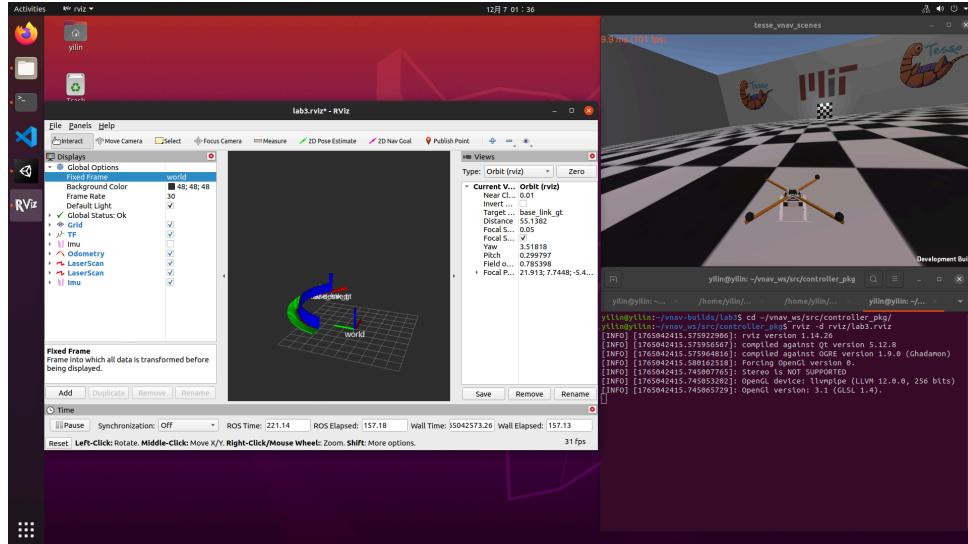


Figure 7: UAV trajectory tracking in TESSE simulator

The figure above demonstrated the successful implementation of the geometric controller for trajectory tracking in the TESSE simulator and the detailed implementation is described below.

Geometric controller part is encapsulated within the `controlLoop` function of the `controllerNode` class. The control logic follows the tracking control on the Special Euclidean Group $SE(3)$

proposed by Lee et al., adapted for the ENU (East-North-Up) reference frame used in the TESSE simulator.

The control process is divided into four main steps:

1. Translational Dynamics Control

First, we compute the position and velocity errors:

$$e_x = x - x_d, \quad e_v = v - v_d$$

The desired force vector F_{des} is computed to stabilize the translational error. Note that unlike the reference paper which assumes a Z-down frame, our simulation uses a Z-up frame. Therefore, the gravity compensation term is positive ($+mge_3$) to provide an upward force:

$$F_{\text{des}} = -k_x e_x - k_v e_v + mge_3 + ma_d$$

This vector defines the desired direction of the body z -axis (b_{3d}), which represents the thrust direction:

$$b_{3d} = \frac{F_{\text{des}}}{\|F_{\text{des}}\|}$$

2. Attitude Generation

We construct the desired rotation matrix $R_d = [b_{1d}, b_{2d}, b_{3d}]$ to align the thrust vector while maintaining the desired yaw angle ψ_d .

Let $b_{1d}^{\text{des}} = [\cos \psi_d, \sin \psi_d, 0]^T$ be the desired heading. The orthogonal body axes are computed via cross products:

$$b_{2d} = \frac{b_{3d} \times b_{1d}^{\text{des}}}{\|b_{3d} \times b_{1d}^{\text{des}}\|}, \quad b_{1d} = b_{2d} \times b_{3d}$$

This ensures $R_d \in \text{SO}(3)$ is orthonormal and respects the desired yaw constraint projected onto the plane perpendicular to the thrust.

3. Rotational Dynamics Control

We calculate the attitude error e_R and angular velocity error e_Ω in the body frame. The function $\text{vee}()$ implements the map from $\text{so}(3)$ to \mathbb{R}^3 :

$$e_R = \frac{1}{2}(R_d^T R - R^T R_d)^\vee$$

$$e_\Omega = \Omega - R^T R_d \Omega_d \approx \Omega \quad (\text{Assuming } \Omega_d \approx 0 \text{ for stabilization})$$

The control outputs are the scalar total thrust f and the moment vector M :

$$f = F_{\text{des}} \cdot (Re_3)$$

$$M = -k_R e_R - k_\Omega e_\Omega + \Omega \times (J\Omega)$$

4. Control Allocation

Finally, we map the computed wrench (f, M_x, M_y, M_z) to individual rotor speeds. The simulator simulates a quadrotor in an x configuration. The relationship between rotor speeds squared (ω_i^2) and the wrench is modeled by the mixing matrix \mathcal{A} :

$$\begin{bmatrix} f \\ M_x \\ M_y \\ M_z \end{bmatrix} = \mathcal{A} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 \\ \omega_2^2 \\ \omega_3^2 \\ \omega_4^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In our implementation (F2W matrix), considering the arm length projection $L = \frac{d}{\sqrt{2}}$ and the aerodynamic coefficients c_f, c_d :

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} c_f & c_f & c_f & c_f \\ Lc_f & Lc_f & -Lc_f & -Lc_f \\ -Lc_f & Lc_f & Lc_f & -Lc_f \\ c_d & -c_d & c_d & -c_d \end{bmatrix}$$

We solve this linear system using `F2W.colPivHouseholderQr().solve(w)` to obtain the squared angular velocities, then compute the square root (preserving signs) to get the final commands sent to the `/rotor_speed_cmds` topic.

3 Reflection and Analysis

In this lab, we bridged the gap between theoretical nonlinear control and practical implementation on a robotic system. Several key insights and challenges emerged during the process:

1. The Importance of Coordinate Consistency

One of the most critical challenges was reconciling the mathematical conventions in Lee et al.'s paper (NED frame, + configuration) with the simulation environment (ENU frame, x configuration).

- We observed that a direct transcription of the paper's formulas led to immediate instability.
- Specifically, the gravity compensation term required a sign inversion ($+mge_3$) to account for the Z-up frame.
- Furthermore, the mixing matrix F2W had to be re-derived for the x configuration. Incorrect signs in the mixing matrix caused the drone to flip immediately upon takeoff, highlighting that geometric correctness is useless without correct physical mapping.

2. Numerical Stability of Rotations

We encountered significant high-frequency vibrations during initial testing. Through analysis, we identified the cause as numerical errors in the quaternion representation.

- The `Eigen::Quaternion` constructor does not automatically normalize the input. When converting `nav_msgs::Odometry` (which contains slight sensor/integration noise) to a rotation matrix without normalization, the resulting matrix R was no longer strictly orthogonal ($R \notin \text{SO}(3)$).
- This violated the geometric controller's assumption, causing the error term e_R to generate erroneous feedback. Adding an explicit `eigen_quat.normalize()` step completely eliminated the vibrations, proving that strict adherence to mathematical constraints is vital in geometric control.

3. Cascaded Control Dynamics

The tuning process revealed the distinct time-scale separation required for the cascaded architecture.

- The inner loop (attitude control, gains k_R, k_Ω) must be significantly faster than the outer loop (position control, gains k_x, k_v).
- If k_x was too high relative to k_R , the drone would request aggressive attitude changes that it could not track, leading to overshoot. We found that a ratio where attitude dynamics are roughly 3-5 times faster than position dynamics yielded the most stable tracking performance.

4 Conclusion

This lab successfully demonstrated the end-to-end workflow of an autonomous aerial robotics system, ranging from mathematical modeling to C++ software implementation.

We first derived the solutions for Polynomial Trajectory Optimization, verifying that high-order polynomials are necessary to satisfy boundary constraints and ensure smoothness for aggressive maneuvers. We then implemented a Geometric Tracking Controller on $\text{SE}(3)$, which avoids the singularities associated with Euler angles and provides almost global asymptotic stability.

By integrating these components into the ROS / TESSE ecosystem, we successfully navigated a quadrotor through a complex race course. The experiments highlighted that while mathematical derivation provides the foundation, robust robot autonomy relies equally on handling implementation details—such as coordinate transformations, numerical conditioning, and proper gain tuning. The resulting system is capable of precise dynamic tracking, validating the effectiveness of geometric control for underactuated mechanical systems.

5 Source Code

- *controller_node.cpp*

```
1  #include <ros/ros.h>
2
3  #include <tf2_geometry_msgs/tf2_geometry_msgs.h>
4  #include <tf2/LinearMath/Quaternion.h>
5  #include <tf2/utils.h>
6  #include <mav_msgs/Actuators.h>
7  #include <nav_msgs/Odometry.h>
8  #include <trajectory_msgs/MultiDOFJointTrajectoryPoint.h>
9  #include <cmath>
10
11 #define PI M_PI
12
13 #include <eigen3/Eigen/Dense>
14 #include <tf2_eigen/tf2_eigen.h>
15
16 class controllerNode{
17     ros::NodeHandle nh;
18
19     // PART 1: Declare ROS callback handlers
20     ros::Subscriber des_state_sub, cur_state_sub;
21     ros::Publisher propeller_speeds_pub;
22     ros::Timer control_timer;
23
24     // Controller parameters
25     double kx, kv, kr, komega;
26
27     // Physical constants (we will set them below)
28     double m;           // mass of the UAV
29     double g;           // gravity acceleration
30     double d;           // distance from the center of propellers to the
                           // c.o.m.
31     double cf,          // Propeller lift coefficient
32            cd;          // Propeller drag coefficient
33
34     Eigen::Matrix3d J;   // Inertia Matrix
35     Eigen::Vector3d e3;  // [0,0,1]
36     Eigen::MatrixXd F2W; // Wrench-rotor speeds map
37
38     // Controller internals
39     // Current state
40     Eigen::Vector3d x;    // current position of the UAV's c.o.m. in the world
                           // frame
```

```

41 Eigen::Vector3d v;      // current velocity of the UAV's c.o.m. in the world
    frame
42 Eigen::Matrix3d R;      // current orientation of the UAV
43 Eigen::Vector3d omega; // current angular velocity of the UAV's c.o.m. in
    the *body* frame
44
45 // Desired state
46 Eigen::Vector3d xd;      // desired position of the UAV's c.o.m. in the world
    frame
47 Eigen::Vector3d vd;      // desired velocity of the UAV's c.o.m. in the world
    frame
48 Eigen::Vector3d ad;      // desired acceleration of the UAV's c.o.m. in the
    world frame
49 double yawd;             // desired yaw angle
50
51 double hz;               // frequency of the main control loop
52
53 static Eigen::Vector3d Vee(const Eigen::Matrix3d& in){
54     Eigen::Vector3d out;
55     out << in(2,1), in(0,2), in(1,0);
56     return out;
57 }
58
59 static double signed_sqrt(double val){
60     return val > 0 ? sqrt(val) : -sqrt(-val);
61 }
62
63 public:
64     controllerNode():e3(0,0,1),F2W(4,4),hz(1000.0){
65         // PART 2: Initialize ROS callback handlers
66         xd = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero();
67         vd = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero();
68         ad = Eigen::Vector3d::Zero();
69         yawd = 0.0;
70         kx, kv, kr, komega = 0, 0, 0, 0;
71
72         des_state_sub = nh.subscribe("desired_state", 1, &
            controllerNode::onDesiredState, this);
73         cur_state_sub = nh.subscribe("current_state", 1,
            &controllerNode::onCurrentState, this);
74         propeller_speeds_pub = nh.advertise<mav_msgs::Actuators>("/
            rotor_speed_cmds", 1);
75         control_timer = nh.createTimer(ros::Duration(1.0/hz),
            &controllerNode::controlLoop, this);
76
77         // PART 6: Tune your gains!
78         nh.getParam("kx", kx);
79         nh.getParam("kv", kv);

```

```

80     nh.getParam("kr", kr);
81     nh.getParam("komega", komega);
82     ROS_INFO("Gain values:\nkv: %f \nkr: %f \nkomega: %f\n", kv,
kv, kr, komega);
83
84     // Initialize constants
85     m = 1.0;
86     cd = 1e-5;
87     cf = 1e-3;
88     g = 9.81;
89     d = 0.3;
90     J << 1.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,1.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,1.0;
91
92     double d_by_sqrt2 = d/std::sqrt(2.0);
93     F2W <<
94         cf,          cf,          cf,          cf,
95         cf*d_by_sqrt2, cf*d_by_sqrt2, -cf*d_by_sqrt2, -cf*d_by_sqrt2,
96         -cf*d_by_sqrt2, cf*d_by_sqrt2, cf*d_by_sqrt2, -cf*d_by_sqrt2,
97         cd,          -cd,          cd,          -cd;
98 }
99
100 void onDesiredState(const trajectory_msgs::MultiDOFJointTrajectoryPoint&
des_state){
101     // PART 3: Objective - fill in xd, vd, ad, yawd
102     xd << des_state.transforms[0].translation.x,
103         des_state.transforms[0].translation.y,
104         des_state.transforms[0].translation.z;
105
106     vd << des_state.velocities[0].linear.x,
107         des_state.velocities[0].linear.y,
108         des_state.velocities[0].linear.z;
109
110     ad << des_state.accelerations[0].linear.x,
111         des_state.accelerations[0].linear.y,
112         des_state.accelerations[0].linear.z;
113
114     tf2::Quaternion quat;
115     tf2::fromMsg(des_state.transforms[0].rotation, quat);
116     yawd = tf2::getYaw(quat);
117 }
118
119 void onCurrentState(const nav_msgs::Odometry& cur_state){
120     // PART 4: Objective - fill in x, v, R and omega
121     // Position
122     x << cur_state.pose.pose.position.x,
123         cur_state.pose.pose.position.y,

```

```

124         cur_state.pose.pose.position.z;
125
126         // Velocity
127         v << cur_state.twist.twist.linear.x,
128             cur_state.twist.twist.linear.y,
129             cur_state.twist.twist.linear.z;
130
131         // Orientation
132         tf2::Quaternion quat;
133         tf2::fromMsg(cur_state.pose.pose.orientation, quat);
134         Eigen::Quaterniond eigen_quat(quat.w(), quat.x(), quat.y(), quat.z());
135         eigen_quat.normalize();
136         R = eigen_quat.toRotationMatrix();
137
138         // Angular velocity
139         Eigen::Vector3d omega_world;
140         omega_world << cur_state.twist.twist.angular.x,
141                       cur_state.twist.twist.angular.y,
142                       cur_state.twist.twist.angular.z;
143
144         omega = R.transpose() * omega_world;
145     }
146
147     void controlLoop(const ros::TimerEvent& t){
148         Eigen::Vector3d ex, ev, er, eomega;
149         // PART 5: Objective - Implement the controller!
150         ex = x - xd; // position error
151         ev = v - vd; // velocity error
152
153         // Rd matrix
154         Eigen::Vector3d F_des = -kx*ex - kv*ev + m*g*e3 + m*ad;
155         Eigen::Vector3d b3d = F_des.normalized();
156         Eigen::Vector3d b1d_desired(cos(yawd), sin(yawd), 0);
157
158         Eigen::Vector3d b2d = (b3d.cross(b1d_desired)).normalized();
159         Eigen::Vector3d b1d = (b2d.cross(b3d)).normalized();
160
161         Eigen::Matrix3d Rd;
162         Rd.col(0) = b1d;
163         Rd.col(1) = b2d;
164         Rd.col(2) = b3d;
165
166         er = 0.5 * Vee(Rd.transpose() * R - R.transpose() * Rd); // Orientation
            error
167         eomega = omega; // Rotation-rate error
168

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169 // Desired wrench
170 double f = (-kx * ex + -kv * ev + m * g * e3 + m * ad).dot(R * e3);
171 Eigen::Vector3d M = -kr * er - komega * eomega + omega.cross(J * omega);
172
173 // Recover the rotor speeds from the wrench
174 Eigen::Vector4d W;
175 W << f, M.x(), M.y(), M.z();
176 Eigen::Vector4d omega_sq = F2W.colPivHouseholderQr().solve(W);
177
178 Eigen::Vector4d rotor_speeds;
179 for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++) {
180     rotor_speeds(i) = signed_sqrt(omega_sq[i]);
181 }
182
183 // Populate and publish the control message
184 mav_msgs::Actuators control_msg;
185 control_msg.angular_velocities.clear();
186 for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++) {
187     control_msg.angular_velocities.push_back(rotor_speeds(i));
188 }
189 propeller_speeds_pub.publish(control_msg);
190 }
191 };
192
193 int main(int argc, char** argv){
194     ros::init(argc, argv, "controller_node");
195     controllerNode n;
196     ros::spin();
197 }

```