

16711 HW 4 - Writeup

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TOTAL POINTS

18 / 18

QUESTION 1

1 Lagrange **2.5 / 3**

✓ - **0.5 pts** Partial

QUESTION 2

2 Inertia Matrix **5 / 5**

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

QUESTION 3

Dynamic Parameter Estimation 10 pts

3.1 **1 / 2**

✓ - **1 pts** Partial

💬 Didn't compute the velocity.

3.2 **5 / 5**

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

3.3 Extra credit **2 / 0**

✓ + **2 pts** Correct

+ **1 pts** Partial

+ **0 pts** Incorrect/Not Attempted

3.4 **1 / 1**

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

3.5 **0.5 / 1**

✓ - **0.5 pts** The answer is wrong.

3.6 **1 / 1**

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

Problem 1

Define the length of the string to be l

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}I\dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \dot{x}\dot{\theta}l \cos \theta$$

$$PE = mgl(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$L = KE - PE = \frac{1}{2}(I\dot{\theta}^2 + m\dot{x}^2 + 2\dot{x}\dot{\theta}l \cos \theta) - mgl + mgl \cos \theta$$

$$\longrightarrow \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}\right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\text{where } \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = m\dot{x} + 2\dot{\theta}l \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}\right) = m(\ddot{x} + \ddot{\theta}l \cos \theta - \dot{\theta}^2l \sin \theta) = 0$$

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$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = -mgl \sin \theta - m\dot{x}\dot{\theta}l \sin \theta \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = I\dot{\theta} + m\dot{x}l \cos \theta = ml^2\ddot{\theta} + m\dot{x}l \cos \theta$$

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$$ml^2\ddot{\theta} + mgl \sin \theta + m\ddot{x}l \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\longrightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{l} \sin \theta + \frac{\ddot{x}}{l} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} m & l \cos \theta \\ \frac{1}{l} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -ml \sin \theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ g/l \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0}$$

1 Lagrange 2.5 / 3

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Problem 2

(a)

Knowing the inertia tensor matrix is

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{yx} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{zx} & I_{zy} & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{let } x = r \cos \theta \sin \phi \quad y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi \quad z = r \cos \theta$$

$$x' = \frac{x}{a} \quad y' = \frac{y}{b} \quad z' = \frac{z}{c}$$

$$I_{yy} = \rho \int_V (x^2 + z^2) dx dy dz$$

$$= abc\rho' \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi 0\pi(a^2 \cos^2 \theta + b^2 \sin^2 \theta) r^4 \sin \phi d\phi d\theta dr = \frac{4}{15} \pi abc(a^2 + b^2)$$

$$\text{where } \rho = \frac{m}{V} \quad \text{where } V = \frac{4}{3} \pi abc$$

$$\longrightarrow \rho = \frac{3m}{4abc\pi}$$

$$\text{plug } \rho \text{ into } I_{yy} \longrightarrow I_{yy} = \frac{m}{5}(a^2 + b^2)$$

Applying the same equation to I_{zz} and I_{xx} will get the following results:

$$I_{xx} = \frac{m}{5}(b^2 + c^2) \quad I_{zz} = \frac{m}{5}(a^2 + c^2)$$

$$I = \frac{m}{5} \begin{bmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2 + b^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 + c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)

Define the origin at center of mass where z is along h , x and y is perpendicular to each other along r

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2 Inertia Matrix 5 / 5

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3.1 1 / 2

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Using Newton-Euler equations of motion for the body coordinates we have:

$$\tau = I\dot{w}_b + w_b \times Iw_b \xrightarrow{\tau=0} I\dot{w}_b + \hat{w}_b Iw_b = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{12} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{13} & I_{23} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{w}_1 \\ \dot{w}_2 \\ \dot{w}_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -w_3 & w_2 \\ w_3 & 0 & -w_1 \\ -w_2 & w_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{12} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{13} & I_{23} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

rewriting the above equation we have

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} \dot{w}_1 & \dot{w}_2 & \dot{w}_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dot{w}_1 & 0 & \dot{w}_2 & \dot{w}_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dot{w}_1 & 0 & \dot{w}_2 & \dot{w}_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -w_3 & w_2 \\ w_3 & 0 & -w_1 \\ -w_2 & w_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & w_1 & 0 & w_2 & w_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & w_1 & 0 & w_2 & w_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} \\ I_{12} \\ I_{13} \\ I_{22} \\ I_{23} \\ I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the inertial tensor can be calculated up to a scale m , we can fix $I_{33} = 1$, so we get

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} \dot{w}_1 & \dot{w}_2 & \dot{w}_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dot{w}_1 & 0 & \dot{w}_2 & \dot{w}_3 \\ 0 & 0 & \dot{w}_1 & 0 & \dot{w}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -w_3 & w_2 \\ w_3 & 0 & -w_1 \\ -w_2 & w_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & w_1 & 0 & w_2 & w_3 \\ 0 & 0 & w_1 & 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} \\ I_{12} \\ I_{13} \\ I_{22} \\ I_{23} \end{bmatrix} = - \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \dot{w}_3 \end{bmatrix} + \hat{w} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ w_3 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Using above equation, I is calculated in the code as

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4609 & -0.0004 & -0.0009 \\ -0.0004 & 1.1215 & -0.0489 \\ -0.0009 & -0.0489 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c)

To guess the shape of the asteroid, we first calculate the transform to principal axes (principal moments). To do so, we calculate the eigenvalues

$$I_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4609 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.9828 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.1387 \end{bmatrix}$$

which matches two well known shapes

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3.2 5 / 5

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