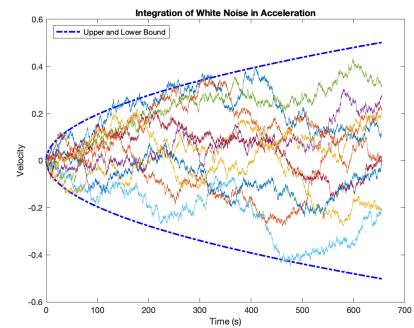
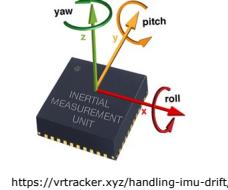
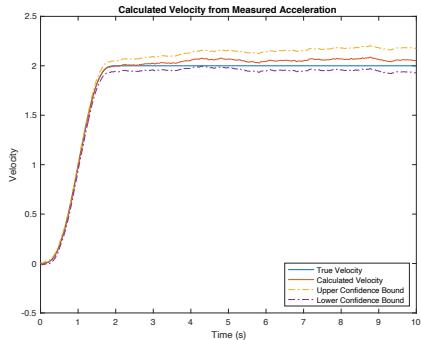


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Integral and Derivative Functions of Time Part of: Error Analysis

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Motivation

Navigation Measurements

Rate Gyros



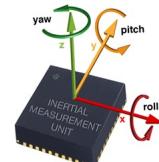
GPS



Accelerometers



IMUs (Inertial Measurement Units)



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Sensor output

The output from a sensor can be modeled as

$$x_m(t) = x(t) + \varepsilon_b + \varepsilon_n(t)$$

where $x(t)$ is the true value,

ε_b is the offset, bias, or baseline error,

and $\varepsilon_n(t)$ is the error due to noise. $\varepsilon_n(t)$ is usually modeled as Gaussian white noise with standard deviation σ or S .

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Relationships in 1-D

Acceleration

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2r}{dt^2}$$

Velocity

$$v = \int_0^t adt = \frac{dr}{dt}$$

Position

$$r = \int_0^t vdt = \int_0^t \left(\int_0^t adt \right) dt$$

Angular Acceleration

$$\alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$$

Angular Velocity

$$\omega = \int_0^t \alpha dt = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

Orientation

$$\theta = \int_0^t \omega dt = \int_0^t \left(\int_0^t \alpha dt \right) dt$$

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What Happens to Measurements?

Acceleration

$$a_m(t_i) = a(t_i) + \varepsilon_b + \varepsilon_n(t_i) \quad \varepsilon_n(t_i) \text{ is a Gaussian random sequence with standard deviation, } \sigma.$$

Velocity

$$v_m(t_i) = v(t_i) + \varepsilon_b t_i + \underbrace{\sigma \sqrt{\Delta t} \sqrt{t_i}}_{\text{Observational bound}}$$

Position

$$r_m(t_i) = r(t_i) + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_b t_i^2 + \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\Delta t} \sigma t_i^{3/2} \underbrace{\sigma \sqrt{\Delta t} \sqrt{t_i}}_{\text{Observational bound}}$$

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Acceleration

$$a_m(t_i) = a(t_i) + \underbrace{A_a \sigma}_{\text{Observational bound}}$$

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What Happens to Measurements?

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Velocity

$$v_m(t_i) = v(t_i) + A_v \sigma$$

\frown Observational bound

Acceleration

$$a_m(t_i) = a(t_i) + A_a \sigma$$

\frown Observational bound

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Observation Bounds Calculation

For Gaussian white noise with standard deviation, σ ,

$$\lambda = z_{cl} \sigma f(t)$$

$z_{cl} = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(cl)$ where erf^{-1} is the inverse error function (`erfinv` in MATLAB) and cl is the confidence level, e.g., 95%

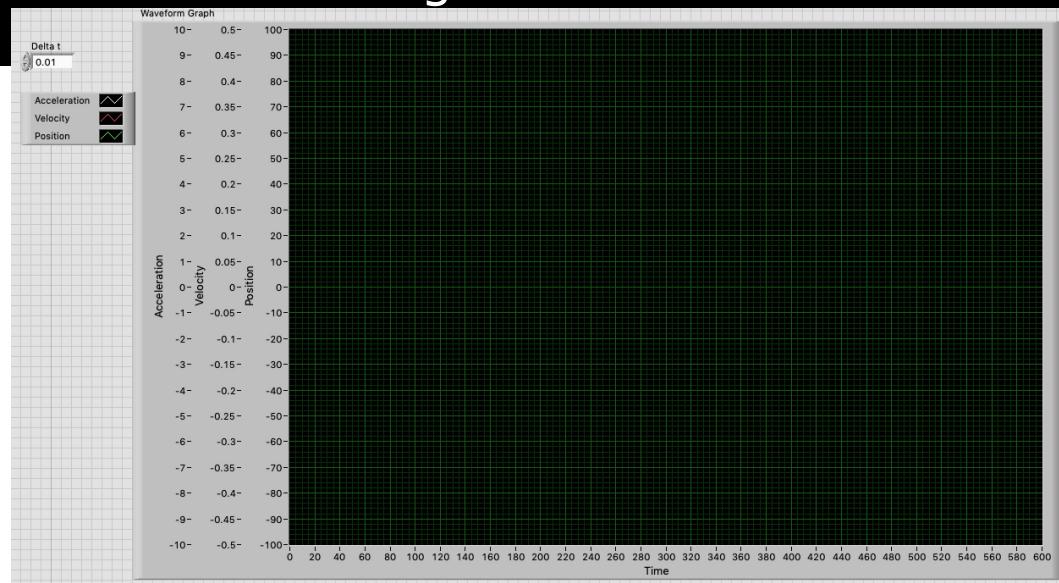
$$\text{e.g., } \lambda_i = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(cl) \sigma \sqrt{\Delta t} \sqrt{t_i} \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda_i = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(cl) \sigma \sqrt{\Delta t} \frac{2}{3} t_i^{3/2}$$

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Numerical Integration of White Noise

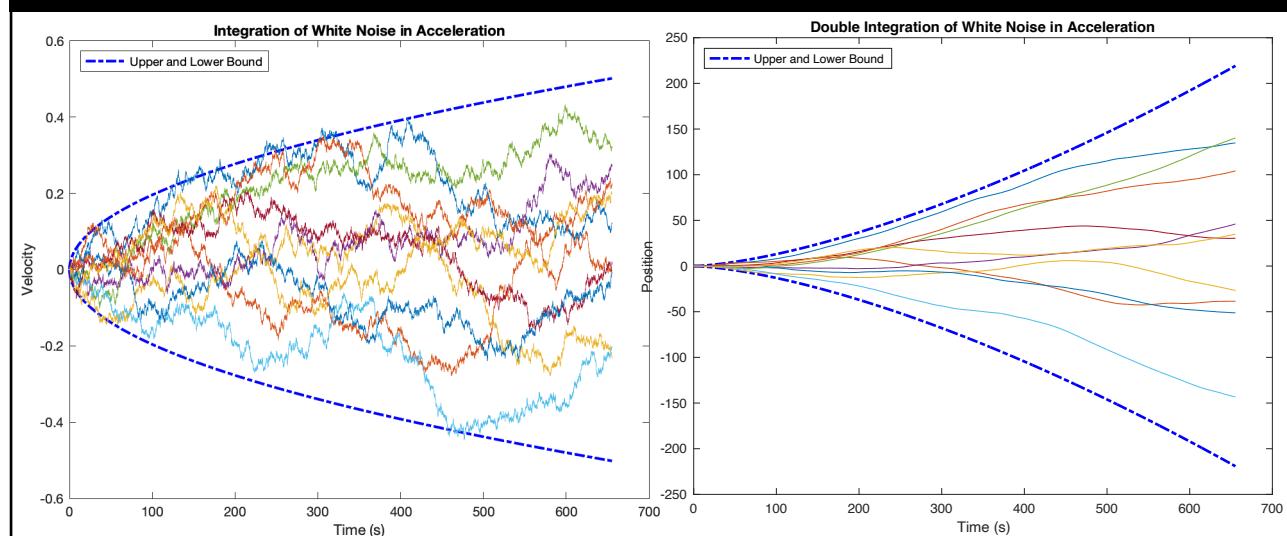


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Integrals of White Noise with Observation Bounds

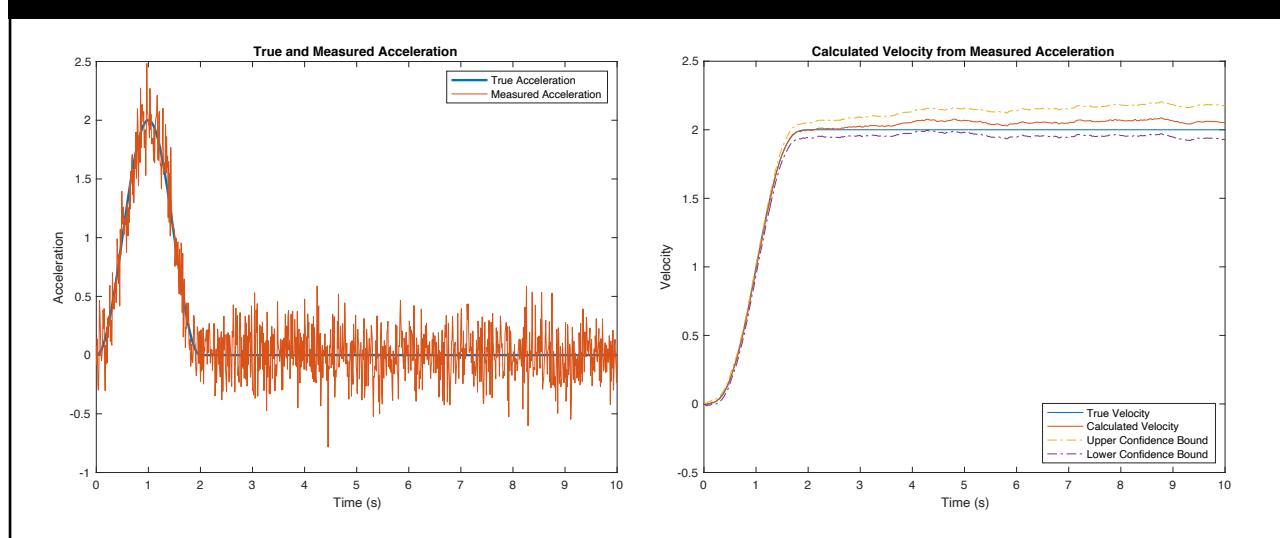


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Measured Acceleration and Velocity with Observation Bounds

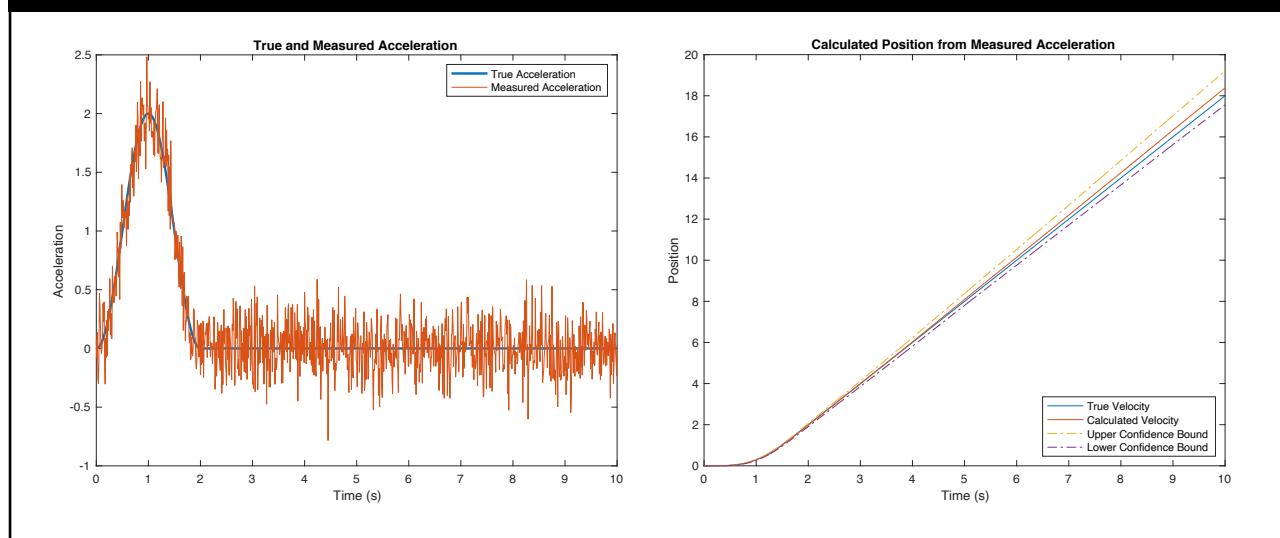


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Measured Acceleration and Position with Observation Bounds

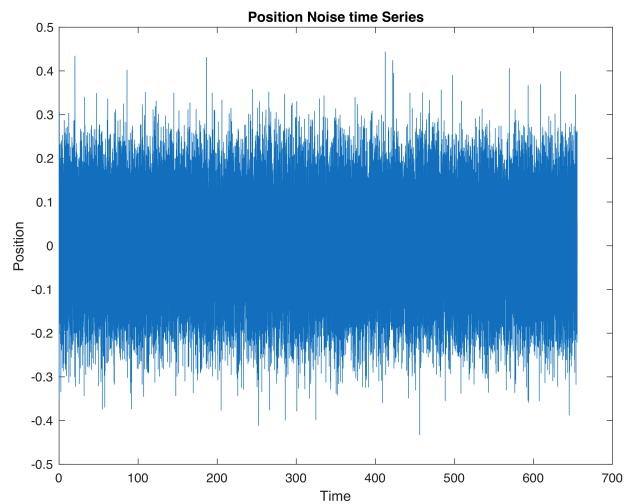


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Zero-Mean Position Time Series

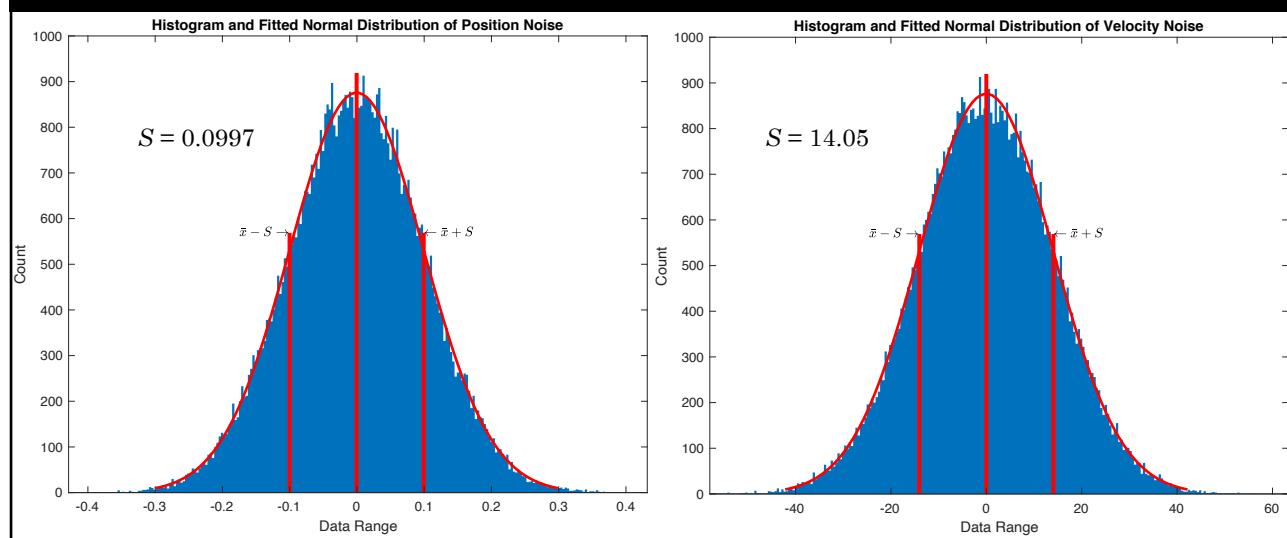


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Position Noise and Velocity Noise

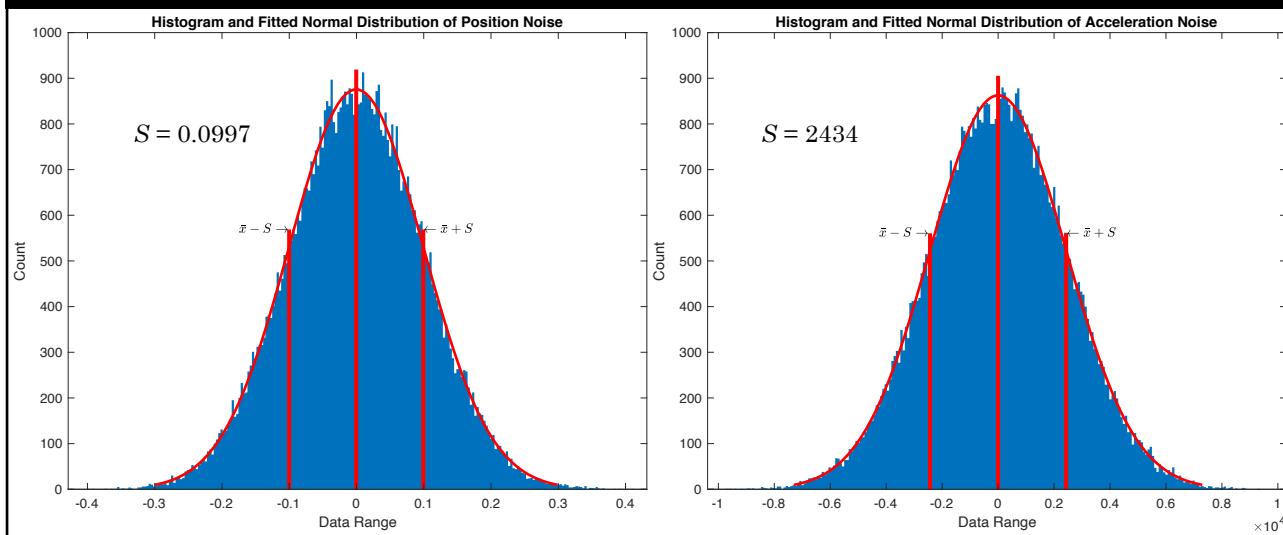


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Position Noise and Acceleration Noise

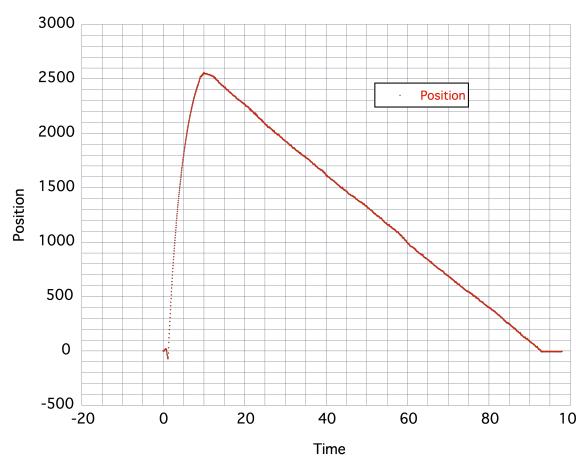


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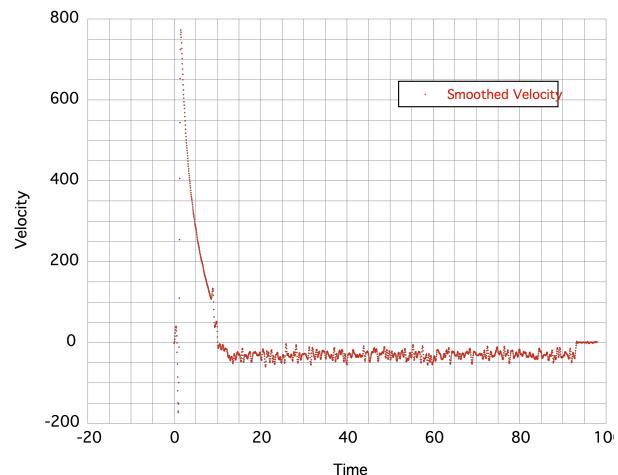
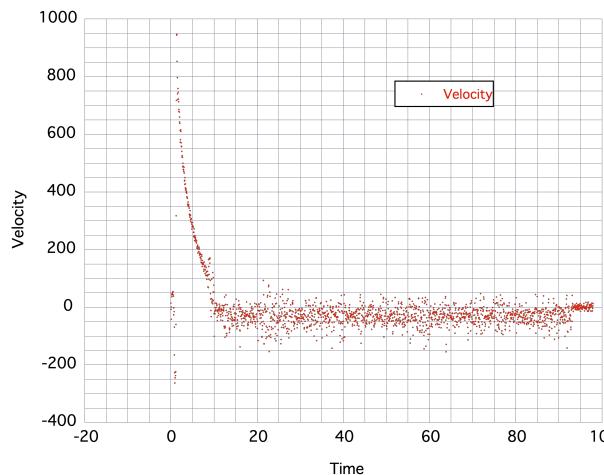
Experimental Position Data



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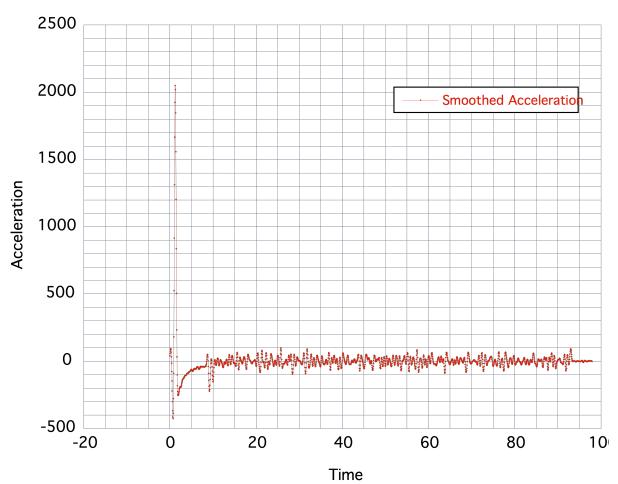
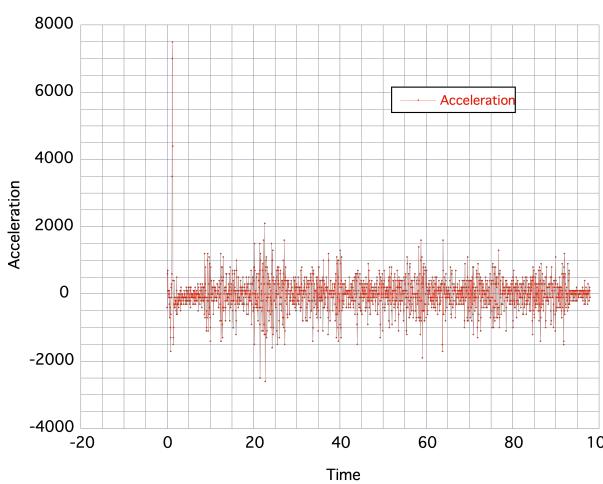
Straight and Smoothed Velocity



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Straight and Smoothed Acceleration



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Takeaways

1. Integrating numerical data decreases noise, but is susceptible to bias and random walk errors.
2. Differentiating numerical data increases noise. The increase is most easily determined numerically.
3. Advanced methods for dealing with differentiation exist.
4. When reporting integrated time-series data, plot the data and the confidence interval bounds.
5. When reporting differentiated time-series data, report standard deviation or confidence bounds values. Plotting bounds is likely to be too messy.