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## **README - LQR Controller**

Guidance, Navigation and Controls Subsystem

## **v\_B** ()

Code author: Ronit Created on: 4/10/2022 Last modified: 4/10/2022

**Reviwed by:** NA **Description:** 

Computes the magnetic field vector using a simplified model

Formula & References:

$$\mathbf{b} = \frac{\mu_f}{a^3} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\omega_o t) \sin(i_m) \\ -\cos(i_m) \\ 2\sin(\omega_o t) \sin(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Here  $\mu_f$  is the fields dipole strength, a is the length of semi major axis of orbit,  $\omega_o$  is the orbit angular velocity,  $i_m$  is the orbit inclination refer for more details.

#### **Input parameters:**

1. **time**: (float) - Time at which magnetic field is computed. *seconds* 

### **Output:**

Returns the value of magnetic field at that time instant as a numpy array.

# nonlinear\_dynamics ()

Code author: Ronit Created on: 15/07/2022 Last modified: 15/07/2022

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Computes the derivative of state using nonlinear attitude dynamics. It has been used for conducting

the simulations.

Formula & References:

$$\dot{q} = -\frac{1}{2}\omega \times q + \frac{1}{2}q_0\omega$$

$$\dot{\omega} = \mathbf{I}^{-1}(\mathbf{I}\omega \times \omega + u)$$

Here q represents vector part of quaternion,  $q_0$  represents scalar part of quaternion,  $\omega$  represents angular velocity in body frame, I represents inertia matrix of satellite in body frame.

### **Input parameters:**

1. time: (float) - Time at which derivative is computed. seconds

2. **state**: (numpy array) - State at which derivative is computed. SI units for all

#### **Output:**

It returns the  $\dot{x}$  value mentioned earlier as a numpy array.

## initialize\_gain ()

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**Reviwed by:** NA **Description:** 

Computes the gain matrix for finding control.

Formula & References: The cost function that will be minimized by the controller is given by

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty [x^T Q x + u^T R u] dt$$

Gain matrix is given by

$$K = -R^{-1}B^T F$$

here B is the defined in the linear\_dynamics description,  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & \mathbf{O_3} \\ \mathbf{O_3} & Q_2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $F = \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{12}^T & F_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$F_{11} = \mathbf{I}R^{1/2} \left( Q_1 + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{I}R^{1/2}Q_2^{1/2} + Q_2^{1/2}R^{1/2}\mathbf{I}) \right)^{1/2}$$

$$F_{12}^T = \mathbf{I}R^{1/2}Q_2^{1/2}$$

$$F_{22}^T = 2Q_2^{1/2}(Q_1 + \mathbf{I}R^{1/2}Q_2^{1/2})^{1/2}$$

For further details here is the link to the paper being referred.

#### **Input parameters:**

This function has no input parameters. However it uses certain constants relevant to controller that have been defined in the constants file.

### **Output:**

It returns the  $3 \times 6$  gain matrix as a numpy array.

## control\_law ()

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Reviewed by: NA Description:

Computes the magnetic moment required for attitude control

#### Formula & References:

$$\tau = Kx$$
$$m = \frac{\mathbf{b} \times \tau}{\|\mathbf{b}\|^2}$$

here K is the gain matrix described in the previous function,  $\mathbf{b}$  is the magnetic field at that time. **Input parameters:** 

1. state: (numpy array) - State at which control is computed. SI units for all

2. time: (float) - Time at which control needs to be computed

#### **Output:**

It returns the magnetic moment that needs to be applied as a numpy array.

## rk4method()

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**Description:** 

This is a numerical ode solver and uses rk4 method as its solving algorithm.

### Formula & References:

For an ode  $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(t, x)$  define h as the length between the time values at which solution is desired. Here N is the number of points over which solution is desired.  $w_i$  is the value of x(t) at the 'i'th point.  $t_i = t_0 + hi$ .

$$w_{i+1} = w_i + \frac{k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4}{6}$$

Here  $k_1 = hf(t_i, w_i)$ ,  $k_2 = hf(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, w_i + \frac{k_1}{2})$ ,  $k_3 = hf(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, w_i + \frac{k_2}{2})$ ,  $k_4 = hf(t_{i+1}, w_i + k_3)$ Here the error is of the order  $O(h^4)$ 

#### **Input parameters:**

- 1. **function of ode** : (function) This is the function f(t,x) that defines the ode. value per time
- 2. **initial conditions**: (numpy array) This array will define the initial conditions or  $w_0$ . value
- 3. **time values**: (numpy array) This array will contain all the time values on which value of x(t) is to be found. time

#### **Output:**

If x is an  $\mathbf{R}^{n\times 1}$  vector and m time values were given it will return an (m,n) matrix where each row will contain the value of x at that time instant.

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