

# Carriage Stabilization — Simulation Refactor Spec

## Objective

Delete `plot_time_series_cmd.py` and rebuild the simulation stack for clarity and testability. The new system simulates a motorized carriage traveling on the **outer rim of a fixed wheel**, with feedback from the FLC's `motor_cmd`. It outputs realistic IMU-like raw signals and a clean plot script.

## Artifacts to (Re)Create

1. `simulation.py` — physics + IMU synthesis (no plotting, no CLI).
2. `mock_spi.py` — thin adapter exposing `imu_read()` by delegating to `simulation.py`.
3. `plot_simulation.py` — plotting only ( $\theta$ ,  $\omega$ , `motor_cmd` vs time). No simulation logic, no argparse.
4. `sim_config.toml` — simulation parameters/constants.
5. `flc_config.toml` — FLC parameters only (membership functions, rule base, scaling).  
Keep existing content, remove simulation-related items.

## Config Separation

### 1) `flc_config.toml` (FLC-only)

- Contents:
  - `[flc_scaling]` (e.g., `THETA_SCALE_FACTOR`, `OMEGA_SCALE_FACTOR`)
  - `[membership_functions.theta]`, `[membership_functions.omega]`
  - `[[rule_base]]` blocks (`theta_coeff`, `omega_coeff`, `bias`)
- Keep controller-side items that truly belong to the FLC pipeline (e.g., `TARGET_HZ` only if your controller loop timing depends on it).
- **Remove** simulation/system items (wheel radius, mass, torque/force, initial angle, IMU noise, etc.) and relocate them to `sim_config.toml`.
- Current reference file (to update accordingly).

### 2) `sim_config.toml` (new; simulation-only)

Suggested schema:

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[simulation.timing]
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SAMPLE_RATE_HZ = 50.0          # dt = 1 / SAMPLE_RATE_HZ
DURATION_S      = 10.0         # total simulated seconds

[simulation.initial_conditions]
THETA_INITIAL_RAD = 0.0        # initial angle (rad)
OMEGA_INITIAL_RAD_S = 0.0      # initial angular rate (rad/s)

[simulation.mechanics]
WHEEL_RADIUS_M   = 0.604       # 604 mm -> meters
CARRIAGE_MASS_KG = 0.80        # or from prior estimate; adjust as needed
MOTOR_FORCE_N    = 8.71        # max tangential force at rim for motor_cmd=±1
GRAVITY_M_S2     = 9.80665     # g

[simulation.imu_model]
GYRO_FS_RAD_S    = 4.363       # gyro full-scale in rad/s (maps to ±16384 raw)
ACCEL_RAW_FS     = 16384       # raw full-scale counts for accel mapping
NOISE_SPAN       = 3           # randint(-NOISE_SPAN, +NOISE_SPAN) added to x_raw,
                                # y_raw

[logging]
LEVEL = "INFO"

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## Simulation Model (in `simulation.py`)

- The simulator advances one fixed timestep  $dt = 1 / \text{SAMPLE\_RATE\_HZ}$ .
- Controller computes `motor_cmd`  $\in [-1, +1]$  each step (FLC external).
- Dynamics (simple, requested form):
  - $\alpha = (\text{MOTOR\_FORCE\_N} * \text{motor\_cmd}) / \text{CARRIAGE\_MASS\_KG} + \text{GRAVITY\_M\_S2} * \sin(\text{theta})$
  - $\omega \leftarrow \omega + \alpha * dt$
  - $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \omega * dt$
- IMU synthesis:
  - $x_{\text{raw}} = \text{int}(\text{ACCEL\_RAW\_FS} * \sin(\text{theta})) + \text{randint}(-\text{NOISE\_SPAN}, +\text{NOISE\_SPAN})$
  - $y_{\text{raw}} = \text{int}(\text{ACCEL\_RAW\_FS} * \cos(\text{theta})) + \text{randint}(-\text{NOISE\_SPAN}, +\text{NOISE\_SPAN})$
  - $\omega_{\text{norm}} = \text{clamp}(\omega / \text{GYRO\_FS\_RAD\_S}, -1, +1)$
  - $\omega_{\text{raw}} = \text{int}(\text{ACCEL\_RAW\_FS} * \omega_{\text{norm}})$  (reuse  $\pm 16384$  scale for 16-bit alignment)
  - Clamp all raw outputs to  $\pm 16384$ .
- No legacy “modes” (e.g., `OMEGA_MODE`)—they’re removed.

## `mock_spi.py` (adapter only)

- Provide `imu_read()` returning 6 bytes  $[x_L, x_H, y_L, y_H, \omega_L, \omega_H]$ .

- Internally hold a `CarriageSimulator` instance from `simulation.py`.
- Read most-recent `motor_cmd` from a small mailbox (e.g., `set_motor_cmd(u)` setter called by the caller) before stepping the sim.
- No slope ramps, no synthetic step trig—**all kinematics come from the simulator**.
- Keep code short and obvious.

## **plot\_simulation.py (plot only; no argparse)**

- Imports both configs:
  - Loads **FLC** via `flc_config.toml` (for the controller object only).
  - Loads **SIM** via `sim_config.toml` (to build the simulator).
- Runs a loop for `DURATION_S * SAMPLE_RATE_HZ` steps:
  - Read last `(x_raw, y_raw, omega_raw)` from `mock_spi.imu_read()`.
  - Convert to normalized `theta_norm, omega_norm` exactly as your runtime does.
  - Compute `motor_cmd = flc.calculate_motor_cmd(theta_norm, omega_norm)`.
  - Call `mock_spi.set_motor_cmd(motor_cmd)` for the next step.
  - Log arrays of `t, theta, omega, motor_cmd` for plotting.
- Plot  $\theta$ ,  $\omega$ , and `motor_cmd` vs time using the **same axis conventions** you had before (shared time axis, clean labels, grid, dashed zero-lines). No command-line arguments—everything comes from the two TOML files.

## **Migration Notes (from current flc\_config.toml)**

Move these **out** of FLC config into `sim_config.toml`:

- Wheel/drive geometry, mass/force, gravity, initial  $\theta$ , IMU noise span, gyro FS (if treated as sensor model).
- Keep in FLC config: scaling factors, membership functions, and rule base (plus any FLC-only runtime constants). See current entries to relocate (e.g., `CARRIAGE_MASS`, `MOTOR_TORQUE`, `THETA_INITIAL`, `NOISE_SPAN`, possibly `GYRO_FULL_SCALE_RADS_S`).

## **Non-Goals / Removed**

- Delete `plot_time_series_cmd.py`.
- Remove `argparse` usage entirely.
- Remove legacy `OMEGA_MODE`, slope ramps, base offsets, and other ad-hoc synthesis.

# Acceptance Criteria

- Clean module boundaries:
    - Physics in `simulation.py`
    - Device adapter in `mock_spi.py`
    - Visualization in `plot_simulation.py`
  - End-to-end closed loop runs with **only** the two TOML files.
  - Plots show responsive negative feedback ( $\theta$  and  $\omega$  stabilize/track reasonable behavior when FLC scaling is sane).
  - Code is concise, readable, and well-commented; no dead paths or legacy flags.
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