

Walker-Delta Satellite Constellation for Earth Observation: SPE 510 Midterm Report

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Abstract

A suite of MATLAB functions are developed to analyze the Walker-Delta Constellation. Since this is one of the more popular constellations, two cases are also being thought out to determine if the constellation pattern can be a solution for the cases that require extensive Earth observation. It is shown that the constellation is sensitive to altitude changes.

1 Introduction

A constellation is a set of satellites distributed over space intended to work together to achieve common objectives. The Walker-Delta Constellation is one such popular constellation design since it is the most symmetric. In order to study the performance of this type of constellation, a set of computational tools have to be developed. The theoretical foundations are important as it directly affects the accuracy of the analysis. The functions are tested and the results of the tests are also reported in this report. Additional models are also included in the code such as low-thrust maneuvers tangential to the spacecraft flight path, but they are only documented in the comments of the MATLAB functions.

2 Theoretical Models

This section covers the theoretical basis for the codes used to evaluate the performances of the Walker-Delta constellation to cover a target on Earth for observation. Proofs of the models used are not provided in this report.

2.1 Equations of relative motion

The two-body equation of motion, namely, Newton's second law and his universal law of gravitation form the starting point for any study of astrodynamics. Equation 1 describes the motion of a body (satellite) of negligible mass with respect to another body (Earth) under the influence of a gravitational force. This then assumes that an inertial frame of reference can be centered at the barycenter of the massive body.

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = -\frac{\mu}{r^2} \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \quad (1)$$

In Newton's law of gravitation, the gravitational force can be expressed in terms of the gradient ∇ of a scalar gravitational potential function ϕ of a body. For a spherical body

$$\vec{F} = \nabla\phi = \nabla\left(\frac{\mu}{r}\right) \quad (2)$$

For a non-spherical body, ϕ can contain additional terms which can be used to determine \vec{F} , and subsequently $\ddot{\vec{r}}$. As the inertial reference frame is centered at the center of the massive body, Equation 1 is also known as the fundamental equation of relative two-body motion. The MATLAB function `orbit.m` uses this equation to determine the satellite motion.

2.2 Keplerian Orbit Propagation

Kepler's laws are derived from Equation 1. The orbital position as a function of time can be described by the mean anomaly, M_e . The propagation routines used in the codes `ground_track2.m` and `satellite_constellation.m` are based on solving the Kepler's equation (Equation 3) for each time step.

$$M_e = E - e \sin(E) \quad (3)$$

where E is the eccentric anomaly, and e is the eccentricity.

For elliptical orbits, it can be shown [1] that

$$M_e = \frac{\mu^2}{h^3} (1 - e^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} t \quad (4)$$

So, Equation 4 becomes

$$M_e = \frac{2\pi}{T} t \quad (5)$$

With this, it can be seen that numerically solving the Kepler's equation for each time step and directly using an Euler forward first-order time-stepping scheme is faster than directly integrating Equation 1 using a Runge-Kutta (4th-order or higher) fixed time-step scheme. Therefore, this method is primarily used to propagate the satellite constellation for this project.

2.3 Orbit Perturbations

Equation 1 assumes that the revolving body experiences forces only from the central body. However, this assumption does not hold for actual orbits. In reality, there are many perturbations to the orbital motion. The equation can then be generalized to include all the other perturbation forces acting on the body as described by Equation 6.

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = -\frac{\mu}{r^2} \frac{\vec{r}}{r} + \vec{a}_p \quad (6)$$

As the Earth is not a perfect sphere, the gravitational potential will deviate from that of a perfect sphere. Due to this effect, the orbital motion will encounter perturbations. This project considers the effects of Earth Gravity Harmonics mainly, the J_2 perturbation on the secular rates of the right ascension of ascending node (Ω), the argument of perigee (ω_p), and a small correction to the mean motion of the orbit (\dot{M}_e). The rates are computed by the following equations:

$$\dot{\Omega} = -\frac{3}{2} \frac{J_2 R_E^2}{p^2} \bar{n} \cos i \quad (7)$$

$$\dot{\omega}_p = \frac{3}{2} \frac{J_2 R_E^2}{p^2} \bar{n} \left(2 - \frac{5}{2} \sin^2 i \right) \quad (8)$$

$$\dot{M}_e = \bar{n} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{a_0^3}} \left[1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{J_2 R_E^2}{p^2} \left(1 - \frac{3}{2} \sin^2 i \right) \sqrt{1 - e^2} \right] \quad (9)$$

with the symbols taking their usual notations. Atmospheric drag perturbation effects was not included in the simulations since it is assumed that the main propulsion system onboard a satellite will perform the necessary station-keeping maneuvers during the mission.

For the special perturbation method employed in orbit.m, Cowell's method [2] was used. From Equation 2, it is seen that the gravitational force acting on the revolving body can be described by the gradient of a potential function. From this, the potential theory provides a clear picture of the gravity harmonics of the Earth. The potential function for the primary body due to the J_2 perturbation is described by Equation 10 in the inertial Cartesian coordinate frame (ECI).

$$\phi = \frac{\mu}{r} \frac{1}{2} J_2 \left(\frac{R_E}{r} \right)^2 \left(1 - 3 \left(\frac{z}{r} \right)^2 \right) \quad (10)$$

where $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

It can then be derived from Equation 10 and Equation 2 that

$$\vec{a}_{J_2} = -\frac{3\mu J_2 R_E^2}{2r^4} \left[\frac{x}{r} \left(1 - 5 \left(\frac{z}{r} \right)^2 \right), \frac{y}{r} \left(1 - 5 \left(\frac{z}{r} \right)^2 \right), \frac{z}{r} \left(3 - 5 \left(\frac{z}{r} \right)^2 \right) \right]^T \quad (11)$$

The acceleration \vec{a}_{J_2} is then added to the right-hand side of Equation 6 as part of the perturbation acceleration.

2.4 Earth Coverage

This section will only reference figures from the text used [3] to compute the Earth target coverage by a satellite. Also, the programs assume that for coverage purposes, the Earth is a perfect sphere. An area access coordinate frame on the Earth's surface is defined corresponding to the nadir coordinate frame of the spacecraft. Figure 9-2 of the text [3] shows the definition of the access area coordinate frame. The transformation between latitude and longitude and access area coordinates is relatively straightforward.

For the programs, the maximum Earth Central Angle is given by,

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{R_E}{R_E + H} \quad (12)$$

However, to account for the optical sensor resolution, the Earth central angle is limited by the resolution requirements (Figure 9-3 of the text [3]). From the Rayleigh

criterion and cosine rule,

$$\sin \eta = \frac{x_{res}}{2h'} = 1.220 \frac{WL}{D_a} \quad (13)$$

$$\cos \lambda = 1 - \frac{(h')^2 - h^2}{2R_E(R_E + H)} \quad (14)$$

The transformation from the latitude and longitude of the target (P) and sub-satellite point (SSP) (Figure 9-4 of the text [3]) are as follows:

$$Lat'_P = 90^\circ - Lat_P, Lat'_{SSP} = 90^\circ - Lat_{SSP} \quad (15)$$

$$\Delta L = Long_{SSP} - Long_P \quad (16)$$

$$\lambda_{r_P} = \cos^{-1} [\cos Lat'_P \cos Lat'_{SSP} + \sin Lat'_P \sin Lat'_{SSP} \cos \Delta L] \quad (17)$$

The target will be observable from the spacecraft optical payload if $\lambda_{r_P} \leq \min(\lambda_0, \lambda)$

2.5 Walker-Delta constellation

The most symmetric of the satellite patterns is the Walker Constellation. The Walker-Delta Pattern contains a total of T satellites with S satellites evenly distributed in each of P orbit planes. All of the orbit planes are assumed to be at the same inclination, i , relative to the equator. The ascending nodes of the P orbit planes in Walker patterns are uniformly distributed around the equator at intervals of $\frac{360^\circ}{P}$. Within each orbital plane, the S satellites are uniformly distributed at intervals of $\frac{360^\circ}{S}$. The phase difference, $\Delta\phi$, in a constellation is defined as the angle in the direction of motion from the ascending node to the nearest satellite at a time when a satellite in the next most westerly plane is at its ascending node. $\Delta\phi$ must be an integral multiple, F , of $\frac{360^\circ}{T}$, where $0 < F \leq P - 1$.

Figure 1 shows an example of a Walker-Delta pattern generated by the program "ground_track2.m" with the satellites at their initial positions. The green cube shows the seed/first satellite.

Figure 2 shows the classical orbit elements for the satellites in the 45:4/2/1 Walker-Delta constellation as generated by the "ground_track2.m" program.

3 General Description of the Codes

Several MATLAB functions (mainly, optim_main.m, ground_track2.m, orbit.m, and test_t.m) were written to analyze the behaviour of the Walker-Delta constellation.

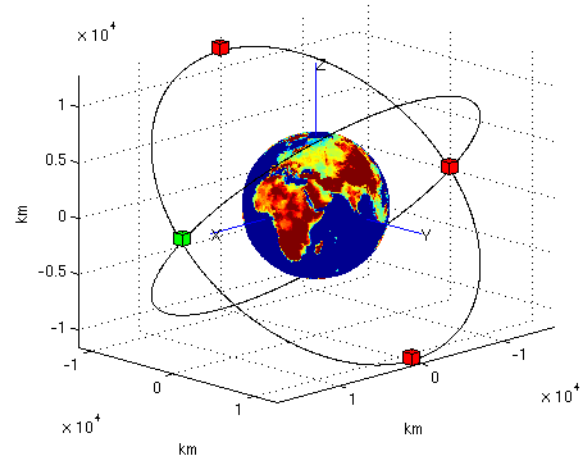


Figure 1: Walker-Delta Pattern 45:4/2/1 at 10,000 km altitude

Sat # = 1, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = 0 deg, wpo = 0 deg, TAo = 0 deg, Mo = 0 deg
Sat # = 2, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = 0 deg, wpo = 0 deg, TAo = 180 deg, Mo = 180 deg
Sat # = 3, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = 180 deg, wpo = 0 deg, TAo = 90 deg, Mo = 90 deg
Sat # = 4, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = 180 deg, wpo = 0 deg, TAo = 270 deg, Mo = -90 deg

Figure 2: The initial Walker-Delta Pattern in Classical Orbit Elements

The `ground_track2.m` function was written as a tool to test the orbit propagator (`satellite_constellation.m`) for a perturbed Keplerian orbit used in `optim_main.m` as well as to visualize the final design parameter chosen for the observation of KAIST.

In general the basic structure of the codes are similar to each other. The first section will be the inputs of the simulation, second function will initialize the spacecraft state vectors in the ECI (SV) or in the Keplerian orbit elements (COE). After that each satellite in the constellation are propagated along the same rates, hence, for the constellation, only the initial condition is important. After the SVs or COEs are known at each time step from the propagator, the position of the satellites are then converted into the Earth latitude and longitude coordinate frame. In the "find_ra_and_dec" function, this is being done. This makes it easier to obtain the subsatellite point latitudes and longitudes for coverage determination.

The appendix lists the important codes. The `optim_main.m` code is a wrapper code which can brute force calculate potentially all the design variables of the Walker-Delta constellation. It uses the MATLAB parallel toolbox for independent design variable computations.

4 Validation cases

There currently are no test cases to be compared against. However, the author believes that if the individual functions are working and tested, the results after the functions are combined can be reliable.

4.1 Initialization and propagation

The first test is the satellite initialization subroutine. The output in Figure 2 shows that the initialization was done correctly. The orbit was also propagated correctly with all the outputs showing that the satellites were uniformly propagated. The final output is shown in Figure 3. Table 1 presents the results of a single satellite using different propagator models. One is run using `orbit.m` and the other using `ground_track2.m`. As can be seen, the results show not a large difference between the RK5 and Kepler propagator model, with the exception that the Kepler model is faster to run but the disadvantage is that it assumes an elliptical orbit.

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Sat # = 1, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = -0.0626967 deg, wpo = 0.0664999 deg, TAo = 0.0319325 deg, Mo = 360.032 deg
Sat # = 2, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = -0.0626967 deg, wpo = 0.0664999 deg, TAo = -179.968 deg, Mo = 540.032 deg
Sat # = 3, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = 179.937 deg, wpo = 0.0664999 deg, TAo = 90.0319 deg, Mo = 450.032 deg
Sat # = 4, h = 10000 km, i = 45 deg, Wo = 179.937 deg, wpo = 0.0664999 deg, TAo = -89.9681 deg, Mo = 270.032 deg

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Figure 3: Final output

Table 1: Results of FOM for single satellite using different propagator models

Method of propagation	Average altitude (km)	% Coverage	Mean response time (s)
RK5 - Newton	392.75	0.255	27987
Kepler	400	0.301	27667

4.2 Earth coverage

Unfortunately, there is no known standard test case to be run for the calculation of the earth coverage.

4.3 Figure-of-Merit

The calculation of the coverage FOM by the subroutine test_t.m is particularly important to establish the performance of the design of the constellation. Hence the percentage coverage and mean response time calculations must be validated. For the test case, the observation patterns for case A is reproduced with varying number of timesteps for the same length. The first is that shown by the text [3] with $dt = 1$ time unit. The second case gives a $dt = 0.1$ time unit. The third case gives $dt = 0.01$ time unit.

The percent coverage and mean response time matches well with the FOM given out by the text (Page 485 in [3]). When the time steps are refined, however, the mean response time differs by quite a significant value. The second case A with a finer time step of 0.1 time unit, gives a mean response time of 0.32 time unit instead of 0.5 as quoted by the text. Figures 4 to 6 show the case A observation histogram with increasingly finer timesteps.

The third case A with the finest time step of 0.01 time unit gave a mean response time of 0.302 time unit with a percent coverage of 60%. Figure 7 shows the results from the test_t.m for the mean response time as a function of dt . It shows that the actual mean response time as dt gets closer to 0 is 0.3 time unit instead of the given 0.5 by the text. However, after reading up on the text and checking the code

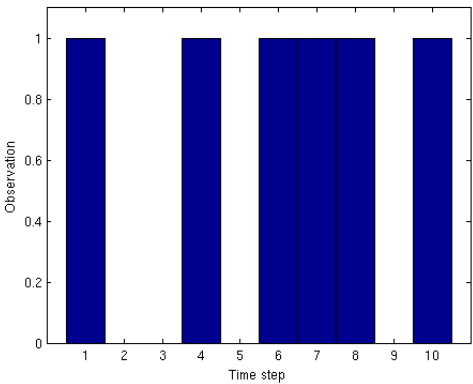


Figure 4: First case A ($dt = 1$)

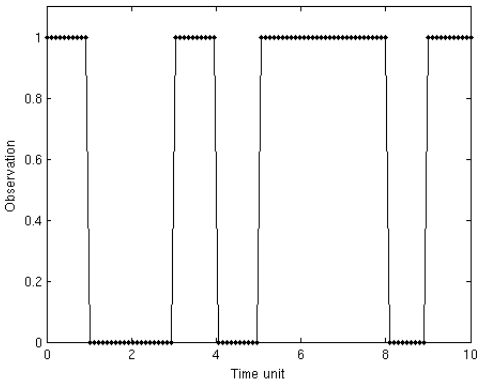


Figure 5: Second case A ($dt = 0.1$)

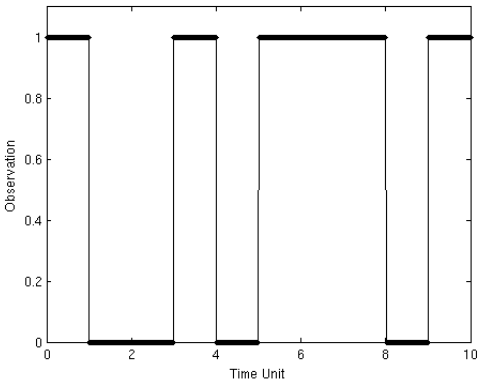


Figure 6: Third case A ($dt = 0.01$)

several times, the author believes that the way to calculate the mean response time by the subroutine `test_t.m` was correct and attributes the difference in the results by temporal refinement issues.

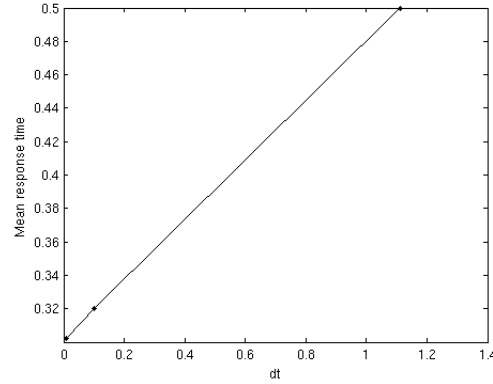


Figure 7: Mean response time as a function of dt

5 Results and Discussion

5.1 Case 1 - Observation of the city of Patna

Patna is the capital of the Indian state Bihar. It is situated at 25.611 N, and 85.144 E. It is a growing state in India therefore, there is a need for remote sensing from space to help city planners in building the city. As such, this case serves as a first test for both the code and also the idea of having remote sensing satellites to aid in city planning. The requirements are laid out such that a ground resolution is no more than 5 m. Also, the number of satellites should be no more than 10.

The design chosen to test is a Walker-Delta constellation of 26:10/5/1. The altitude is given at 1000 km. The percent coverage obtained for a 24 hour simulation was 48.3% and the mean response time was shown to be 33.1 s with a maximum response time of 419.9 s. Figures 8 to 10 shows the constellation configuration along with the orbit, ground track, and the observation histogram for a single revolution.

5.2 Case 2 - Observation of KAIST

KAIST is South Korea's first research oriented science and engineering institution. Naturally, as South Korea's foremost center for strategic research and development,

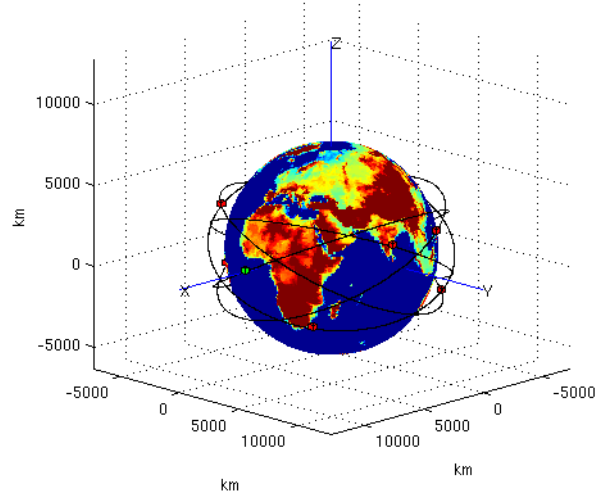


Figure 8: Case 1 - Initial constellation configuration

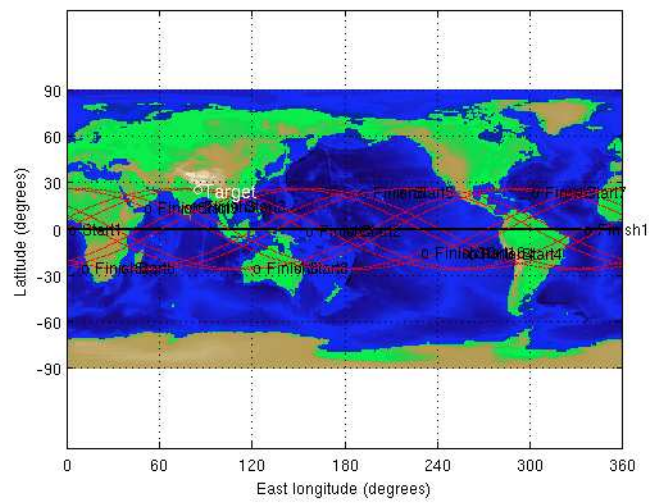


Figure 9: Case 1 - Ground track for 1 revolution

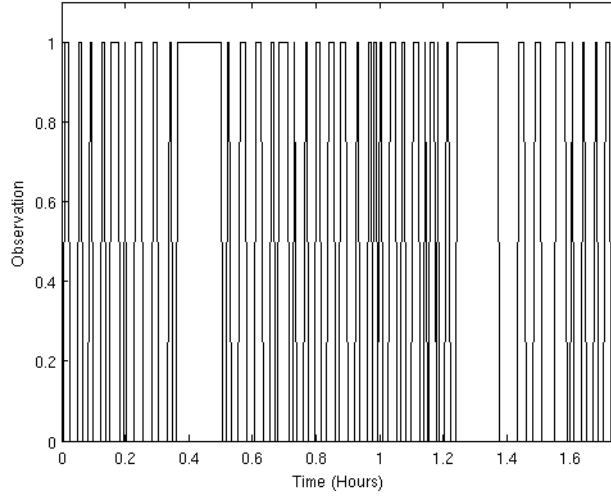


Figure 10: Case 1 - Observation histogram for 1 revolution

the safety of the institute is of paramount importance. In order to help safeguard this institution, it is required that a constellation of remote sensing satellites be placed in orbit with a ground resolution of 1.1 m, and the camera payload aperture diameter at 1 m. The inclination of the orbit has to be 60° and the total number of satellites must not be more than 30 due to cost considerations. The percent coverage is of utmost priority and has to be maximized for a duration of 1 day.

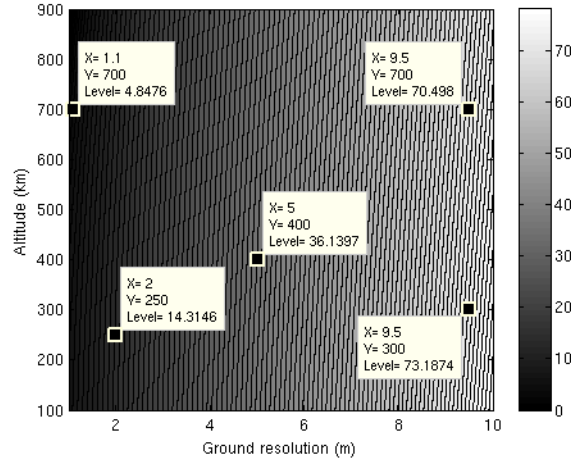


Figure 11: λ as a function of altitude, h , and ground resolution, x_{res}

Figure 11 shows the contour plot of the Earth Central Angle limitation imposed

by Rayleigh's Criterion as a function of altitude and ground resolution requirements. For the aperture diameter of 1 m, the limited Earth central angle is at 5° with an altitude of 700 km. This also imposes an altitude limitation in which the satellite altitudes must not go above 1000 km.

For the case of observing KAIST, the `optim_main.m` code was used to determine the design variables which gives the maximum percent coverage. The brute force searching technique was used. Figure 12 provides an indication of the percent coverage variation with respect to the total number of satellites (T) parameter and the altitude. For this case, the number of planes (P) is set at the maximum which is equal to T. The discontinuous looking pattern is very likely due to the discrete nature of the variable T, and also, the simulation for observing the ground, the time step might be too large in that it might have skipped a few points on the ground, thereby causing the percent coverage plot to be rather irregular. However, a pattern can be seen, which shows that the percent coverage increases with decreasing altitude. This is probably due to the increasing limited Earth Central Angle imposed by the Rayleigh criterion. Of particular interest is shown in Figure 13 that increasing or decreasing the number of planes with a maximum number of satellites ($T = 30$) does not change the percent coverage by a significant amount. What is clear from the plot is that the largest difference comes again yet from changing altitude. This can only be explained by performance plateaus which is affected by altitude and inclination as described by the text [3].

As can be seen from Figure 14, changing the initial east longitude of the first satellite makes no difference to the percent coverage FOM.

Using the information gained, the constellation 60:30/5/1 is chosen as the final design point to maximize the percent coverage to observe KAIST. The constellation will have an altitude of 400 km and the initial longitude of the first satellite at $t=0$ is at 0° . The estimated performance of this constellation design is a percentage coverage of 8.54%, a mean response time of 200.44 s, and a maximum response time of 1019.76 s. Figures 15 to 17 shows the configuration, ground track, and observation histogram respectively for the satellite constellation for a time length of 1 orbital period.

The results show that the ground resolution, and inclination requirements have to be relaxed to attain a more feasible solution.

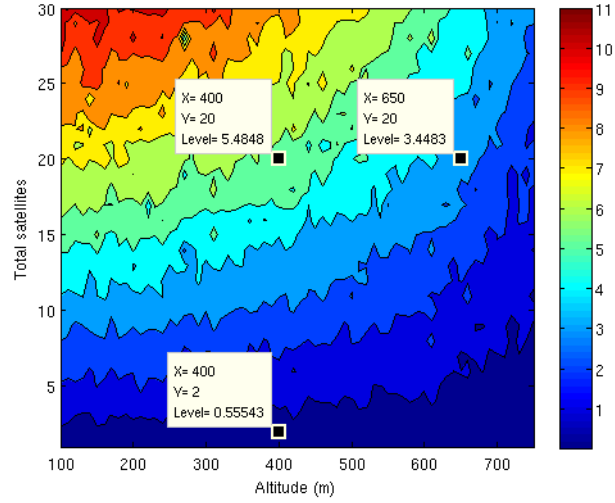


Figure 12: Contour map of percent coverage as a function of altitude and number of satellites

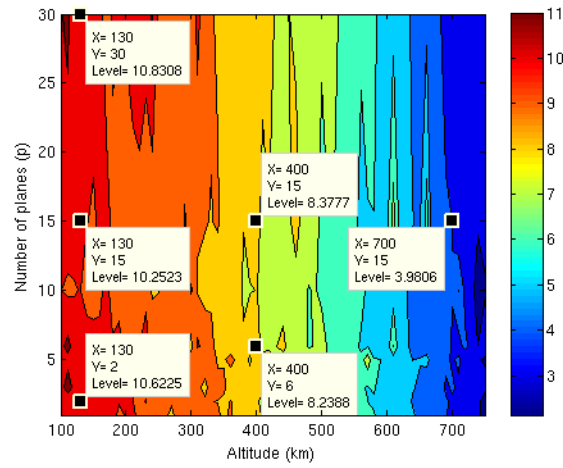


Figure 13: Contour map of percent coverage as a function of altitude and number of planes

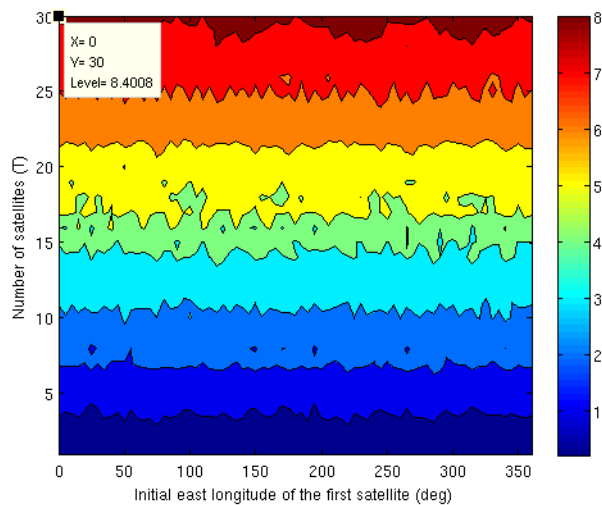


Figure 14: Percent coverage as a function of initial longitude of seed/first satellite and number of satellites

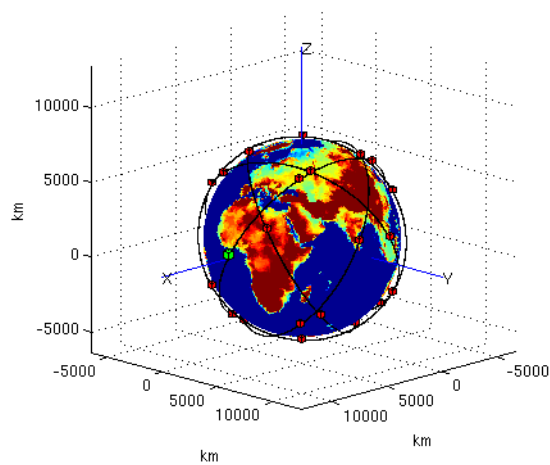


Figure 15: Initial satellite constellation (60:30/5/1 configuration)

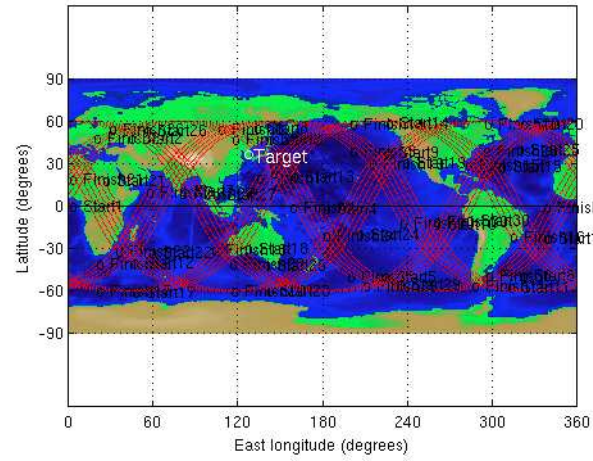


Figure 16: Ground track for the constellation after 1 period

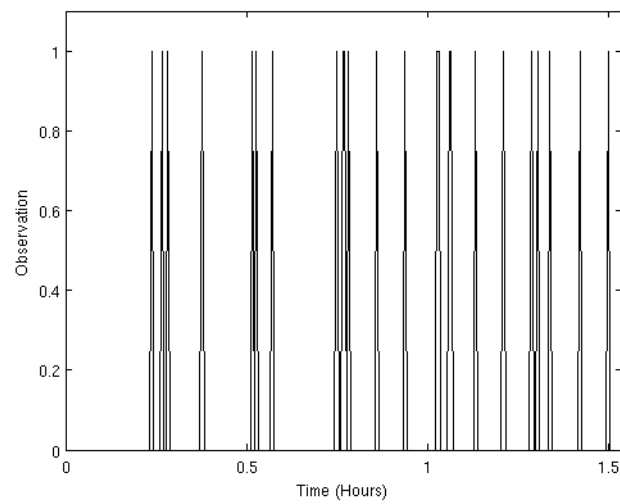


Figure 17: Observation histogram for the constellation observing KAIST in 1 period

6 Summary

A suite of MATLAB functions was developed to analyze the behaviour of Walker-Delta Constellations. Two propagator models were compared, and both models considered the oblateness of the Earth (J_2 perturbation effects). The functions were validated and the functions were used to analyze the performance of such constellations in observing primarily, KAIST, and Patna. The results show that the design requirements are quite tight for the KAIST case while the imaginary Patna case seem to be feasible.

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A Listing of code - "optim_main.m"

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1 clear all; close all; clc;
2 matlabpool(3); %Comment out if no parallel toolbox installed
3 deg = pi/180;
4
5 mu = 398600;
6 J2 = 0.00108263;
7 Re = 6378;
8 we = (2*pi + 2*pi/365.26)/(24*3600);
9 %Walker constellation design variables

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10 inclw = 60*deg; %Inclination of the planes
11 Nsat = 1:30; %t total number of satellites
12 Nplane = Nsat; %p total number of planes
13 f = 1; %f phase multiplier
14 %...Seed/First satellite parameters
15 Alt = 400;
16 hP1 = Alt;
17 hA1 = Alt;
18 TAo1 = 0*deg;
19 Woi = (0:5:360)*deg;
20 wpo1 = 0*deg;
21
22 %Case Simulation length and timesteps
23 dt = 20;
24 to = 0;
25 tf = 1*24*3600; % Ts in assignment paper
26
27 %Target latitude and longitude
28 latT = 36.372*deg; %36.372*deg;
29 longT = 127.363*deg; %127.363*deg;
30
31 %Satellite payload parameters
32 Da = 1;
33 WL = 5e-7;
34 x_res = 1.1;
35 KA = 20626.4806; % for IAA area in deg^2
36
37 for k = 1:length(Nsat)
38     parfor i = 1:length(Woi) %Change parfor to for if no parallel
39         toolbox is installed
40         [t SEE] = satellite_constellation(mu,J2,Re,we,inclw,Nsat(k),
41             Nplane(k),f,hP1,hA1,TAo1,Woi(i),wpo1,dt,to,tf,latT,longT,Da,
42             WL,x_res,KA);
43         [p_cover(k,i) mean_response(k,i) max_response(k,i)] = test_t(SEE
44             ,t);
45         % fprintf('\n Altitude = %g km | Percentage coverage = %g
46             percent | Mean response time = %g seconds | Max response
47             time = %g seconds \n', Alt(i), p_cover*100, mean_response,
48             max_response)
49         drawnow;
50     end
51 end

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45
46 matlabpool close; %Comment out if no parallel toolbox installed
47
48 contourf(Woi,Nsat,p_cover*100,'-k');

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B Listing of code - "satellite_constellation.m"

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1 % ~~~~~
2 function [t X] = satellite_constellation(mu,J2,Re,we,inclw,Nsat,Nplane,f
   ,hP1,hA1,TAo1,Woi,wpol,dt,to,tf,latT,longT,Da,WL,x_res,KA)
3 % ~~~~~
4
5 %clear all; close all; clc
6 global ra dec n_curves RA Dec
7 %matlabpool(4) %Only used if parallel toolbox is installed
8 deg = pi/180;
9 hours = 3600;
10 %Calculate Pattern Unit for Walker constellation
11 PU = 360*deg/Nsat;
12 %Calculate Number of satellites in a plane
13 NSsat = Nsat/Nplane;
14 %Angle division between satellites in the plane
15 beta = PU*Nplane;
16 %RAAN spacing
17 dRAAN = PU*NSsat;
18 %... Seed/First satellite parameters
19 hP(1:Nsat) = hP1;
20 hA(1:Nsat) = hA1;
21 rP1 = hP1 + Re; rP(1:Nsat) = rP1;
22 rA1 = hA1 + Re; rA(1:Nsat) = rA1;
23 incl1 = inclw; incl(1:Nsat) = incl1;
24 TAO(1:Nsat) = TAO1;
25 Wo1(1:Nsat) = Woi;
26 wp(1:Nsat) = wpol;
27
28 fprintf('Initial satellite constellation properties \n')
29 for i=1:Nsat
30     pindex(i) = ceil(i/NSsat);
31     Spindex(i) = i - (pindex(i) - 1)*NSsat - 1;
32     fsatindex(i) = abs(1-sign(Spindex(i)));
33     TAO(i) = TAO1 + Spindex(i)*beta + (pindex(i)-1)*f*PU;

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34     W(i) = Wo1(i) + (pindex(i) - 1)*dRAAN;
35 end
36
37 %Calculate Earth central angle from payload parameters
38 h_prime = Da*x_res*1e-3/(2.440*WL); %From Rayleigh optical resolution (
    km)
39 %...End data declaration
40
41 %... Compute the rates of node regression and perigee advance
42 a = (rA + rP)/2; %1:Nsat
43 T = 2*pi/sqrt(mu).*a.^(3/2); %1:Nsat
44 e = (rA - rP)./(rA + rP); %1:Nsat
45 h = sqrt(mu.*a.*(1 - e.^2)); %1:Nsat
46 Eo = 2*atan(tan(TAo/2).*sqrt((1-e)./(1+e))); %1:Nsat
47 M = Eo - e.*sin(Eo); %1:Nsat
48 P = a.*(1-e.^2);
49 fac = 3/2*J2*(Re./P).^2;
50 Mdot = (2*pi./T).*(1 + fac.*sqrt(1-e.^2).*(1-(3/2).*sin(incl).^2)); %
    From Chobotov
51 Wdot = -Mdot.*fac.*cos(incl);
52 wpdot = fac.*Mdot.*(-5/2*sin(incl).^2 + 2);
53
54
55 % for i=1:Nsat
56 %     fprintf('\n Sat # = %d, h = %g km, i = %g deg, Wo = %g deg,
        wpo = %g deg, TAo = %g deg, Mo = %g deg \n', i, hP(i), incl(i)/deg,
        W(i)/deg, wp(i)/deg, TAo(i)/deg, M(i)/deg);
57 % end
58 times=to:dt:tf;
59 ra(1:length(times),1:Nsat) = 0;
60 dec(1:length(times),1:Nsat) = 0;
61 theta = 0;
62 r_rel_mag(1:length(times),1:Nsat) = 0;
63 for i = 1:length(times)
64     t(i) = times(i);
65     for ii = 1:Nsat
66         M(ii) = M(ii) + Mdot(ii)*dt;
67         E(ii) = kepler_E(e(ii),M(ii));
68         TA(ii) = 2*atan(tan(E(ii)/2)*sqrt((1+e(ii))/(1-e(ii))));
69         r = h(ii)^2/mu/(1 + e(ii)*cos(TA(ii)))*[cos(TA(ii)) sin(TA(ii)) 0]';
70
71         W(ii) = W(ii) + Wdot(ii)*dt;

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72 wp(ii) = wp(ii) + wpdot(ii)*dt;
73 Rone = R3(W(ii));
74 Rtwo = R1(incl(ii));
75 Rthree = R3(wp(ii));
76 QxX = (Rthree*Rtwo*Rone)';
77 R = QxX*r;
78
79 theta = we*(t(i) - to);
80 Q = R3(theta);
81 r_rel = Q*R;
82 r_rel_mag(i, ii) = norm(r_rel);
83 [alpha delta] = ra_and_dec_from_r(r_rel);
84
85 ra(i, ii) = alpha;
86 dec(i, ii) = delta;
87 end
88 end
89
90 SEE(1:length(times), 1:Nsat+1) = 0;
91 for i = 1:length(times)
92     ti = times(i);
93     for ii = 1:Nsat
94         alt = r_rel_mag(i, ii) - Re;
95         clambda = 1 - (h_prime^2 - alt^2) / (2*Re*(Re + alt)); %Cos lambda
96         IAA = KA.*(1 - clambda);
97         latP_prime = pi/2 - latT; %Transformation from lat long to
           %access area coordinates (Section 9.1 - Mission Geometry (
           %Wertz))
98         latSSP_prime = pi/2 - dec(i, ii);
99         delta_L = ra(i, ii)*deg - longT;
100        lambda(i, ii) = acosd(clambda);
101        lambda0(i, ii) = acosd(Re/(Re + alt));
102        rlambda(i, ii) = acosd(cos(latP_prime)*cos(latSSP_prime) + sin(
           %latP_prime)*sin(latSSP_prime)*cos(delta_L)); %Angular
           %Distance from target to subsatellite point, Ditto Eqn 9-9
103        if (rlambda(i, ii) > 180)
104            rlambda(i, ii) = 360 - rlambda(i, ii);
105        end
106        if (rlambda(i, ii) <= min(lambda(i, ii), lambda0(i, ii)))
107            SEE(i, ii) = 1; %If target is within the minimum of either
           %lambda or lambda0, then, it is covered by the ii-th
           %satellite

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108         end
109     end
110     SEE(i,Nsat+1) = sign(sum(SEE(i,1:Nsat))); %As long as there is one
        satellite covered, then the target is covered by the
        constellation
111 end
112 % form_separate_curves
113 % plot_ground_track
114 % print_orbital_data
115 % figure(3)
116 % plot(t/hours,SEE(:,Nsat+1),'-k');
117 X = SEE(:,Nsat+1);
118 %[p_cover mean_response max_response] = test_t(SEE(:,Nsat+1),t);
119
120 % figure(4)
121 % plot(t/hours,alt,'-k');
122 %return
123
124 end %ground_track
125 % ~~~~~

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C Listing of code - "ground_track2.m"

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1 % ~~~~~
2 function ground_track2
3 % ~~~~~
4
5 clear all; close all; clc
6 global ra dec n_curves RA Dec
7 %matlabpool(4) %Only used if parallel toolbox is installed
8 deg = pi/180;
9 hours = 3600;
10 mu = 398600;
11 J2 = 0.00108263;
12 Re = 6378;
13 we = (2*pi + 2*pi/365.26)/(24*3600);
14 %Walker constellation design variables
15 inclw = 60*deg; %Inclination of the planes
16 Nsat = 30; %t total number of satellites
17 Nplane = 5; %p total number of planes
18 f = 1; %f phase multiplier

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19 %Calculate Pattern Unit for Walker constellation
20 PU = 360*deg/Nsat;
21 %Calculate Number of satellites in a plane
22 NSsat = Nsat/Nplane;
23 %Angle division between satellites in the plane
24 beta = PU*Nplane;
25 %RAAN spacing
26 dRAAN = PU*NSsat;
27 %Altitude (in km)
28 H = 400;
29 %Longitude of the first satellite in the first plane at t=0
30 Lon0 = 0;
31 %...Seed/First satellite parameters
32 hP1 = H; hP(1:Nsat) = hP1;
33 hA1 = H; hA(1:Nsat) = hA1;
34 rP1 = hP1 + Re; rP(1:Nsat) = rP1;
35 rA1 = hA1 + Re; rA(1:Nsat) = rA1;
36 incl1 = inclw; incl(1:Nsat) = incl1;
37 TAO1 = 0*deg; TAO(1:Nsat) = TAO1;
38 Wo1 = Lon0*deg; Wo1(1:Nsat) = Wo1;
39 wpo1 = 0*deg; wp(1:Nsat) = wpo1;
40 initialize_walker
41 dt = 20;
42 %Target latitude and longitude (on the ground)
43 latT = 36.372*deg;%25.611*deg;%
44 longT = 127.363*deg;%85.144*deg;%
45 %Satellite payload parameters
46 Da = 1;
47 WL = 5e-7;
48 x_res = 1.1;
49 KA = 20626.4806; % for IAA area in deg^2
50 %Calculate Earth central angle from payload parameters
51 h_prime = Da*x_res*1e-3/(2.440*WL); %From Rayleigh optical resolution (
    km)
52 %...End data declaration
53
54 %... Compute the rates of node regression and perigee advance
55 a = (rA + rP)/2; %1:Nsat
56 T = 2*pi/sqrt(mu).*a.^(3/2); %1:Nsat
57 e = (rA - rP)./(rA + rP); %1:Nsat
58 h = sqrt(mu.*a.*(1 - e.^2)); %1:Nsat
59 Eo = 2*atan(tan(TAO/2).*sqrt((1-e)./(1+e))); %1:Nsat

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60 M = Eo - e.*sin(Eo); %1:Nsat
61 coe0 = [h' e' W/deg incl'/deg wp'/deg TAO'/deg];
62 to = 0;
63 tf = to + T;%1*24*3600;
64 times=to:dt:tf;
65 P = a.*(1-e.^2);
66 fac = 3/2*J2*(Re./P).^2;
67 Mdot = (2*pi./T).*(1 + fac.*sqrt(1-e.^2).*(1-(3/2).*sin(incl).^2));
68 Wdot = -Mdot.*fac.*cos(incl);
69 wpdot = fac.*Mdot.*(-5/2*sin(incl).^2 + 2);
70
71 for i=1:Nsat
72     [R0 V0] = sv_from_coe(coe0(i,:),mu);
73     Rplot(1,:,i) = [R0 V0];
74     fprintf('\n Sat # = %d, h = %g km, i = %g deg, Wo = %g deg, wpo = %g
        deg, TAO = %g deg, Mo = %g deg \n', i, hP(i), incl(i)/deg, W(i)/
        deg, wp(i)/deg, TAO(i)/deg, M(i)/deg);
75 end
76 find_ra_and_dec
77 figure(2)
78 ground_map
79 for ii = 1:Nsat
80 form_separate_curves
81 plot_ground_track
82 end
83 % print_orbital_data
84 figure(1)
85 output
86 figure(3)
87 plot(t/hours,SEE(:,Nsat+1),'-k');
88 axis([t(1)/hours t(end)/hours 0 1.1]);
89 xlabel('Time (Hours)'); ylabel('Observation');
90 fprintf('Final orbital elements');
91 for i=1:Nsat
92     fprintf('\n Sat # = %d, h = %g km, i = %g deg, Wo = %g deg, wpo = %g
        deg, TAO = %g deg, Mo = %g deg \n', i, hP(i), incl(i)/deg, W(i)/
        deg, wp(i)/deg, TA(i)/deg, M(i)/deg);
93 end
94 [p_cover mean_response max_response] = test_t(SEE(:,Nsat+1),t);
95 fprintf('\n Percentage coverage = %g percent | Mean response time = %g
        seconds | Max response time = %g seconds \n', p_cover*100,
        mean_response, max_response)

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96 % figure (4)
97 % plot (t/hours, alt, '-k');
98 return
99
100 function initialize_walker
101     fprintf('Initial satellite constellation properties \n')
102     for i=1:Nsat
103         pindex(i) = ceil(i/NSsat);
104         Spindex(i) = i - (pindex(i) - 1)*NSsat - 1;
105         fsatindex(i) = abs(1-sign(Spindex(i)));
106         TAo(i) = TAo1 + Spindex(i)*beta + (pindex(i)-1)*f*PU;
107         W(i) = Wo1(i) + (pindex(i) - 1)*dRAAN;
108     end
109 end
110
111 function find_ra_and_dec %Get subsatellite point and also determine if
    satellite can see the target
112 ra(1:length(times),1:Nsat) = 0;
113 dec(1:length(times),1:Nsat) = 0;
114 theta = 0;
115 r_rel_mag(1:length(times),1:Nsat) = 0;
116 for i = 1:length(times)
117     t(i) = times(i);
118     for ii = 1:Nsat
119         M(ii) = M(ii) + Mdot(ii)*dt;
120         E(ii) = kepler_E(e(ii),M(ii));
121         TA(ii) = 2*atan(tan(E(ii)/2)*sqrt((1+e(ii))/(1-e(ii))));
122         r = h(ii)^2/mu/(1 + e(ii)*cos(TA(ii)))*[cos(TA(ii)) sin(TA(ii)) 0]';
123
124         W(ii) = W(ii) + Wdot(ii)*dt;
125         wp(ii) = wp(ii) + wpdot(ii)*dt;
126         coe0 = [h(ii) e(ii) W(ii) incl(ii) wp(ii) TA(ii)];
127         [R0 V0] = sv_from_coe(coe0,mu); %Obtain R, V for plotting
128         Rplot(i,:,ii) = [R0 V0];
129
130         Rone = R3(W(ii));
131         Rtwo = R1(incl(ii));
132         Rthree = R3(wp(ii));
133         QxX = (Rthree*Rtwo*Rone)';
134         R = QxX*r;
135
136         theta = we*(t(i) - to);

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137 Q = R3(theta);
138 r_rel = Q*R;
139 r_rel_mag(i,ii) = norm(r_rel);
140 [alpha delta] = ra_and_dec_from_r(r_rel);
141
142 ra(i,ii) = alpha;
143 dec(i,ii) = delta;
144 end
145 end
146
147 SEE(1:length(times),1:Nsat+1) = 0;
148 for i = 1:length(times)
149     ti = times(i);
150     for ii = 1:Nsat
151         alt = r_rel_mag(i,ii) - Re;
152         clambda = 1-(h_prime^2 - alt^2)/(2*Re*(Re + alt)); %Cos lambda
153         IAA = KA.*(1 - clambda);
154         latP_prime = pi/2 - latT; %Transformation from lat long to
            access area coordinates (Section 9.1 - Mission Geometry (
            Wertz)
155         latSSP_prime = pi/2 - dec(i,ii);
156         delta_L = ra(i,ii)*deg - longT;
157         lambda(i,ii) = acosd(clambda);
158         lambda0(i,ii) = acosd(Re/(Re + alt));
159         rlambda(i,ii) = acosd(cos(latP_prime)*cos(latSSP_prime) + sin(
            latP_prime)*sin(latSSP_prime)*cos(delta_L)); %Angular
            Distance from target to subsatellite point, Ditto Eqn 9-9
160         if (rlambda(i,ii) > 180)
161             rlambda(i,ii) = 360 - rlambda(i,ii);
162         end
163         if (rlambda(i,ii) <= min(lambda(i,ii),lambda0(i,ii)))
164             SEE(i,ii) = 1; %If target is within the minimum of either
            lambda or lambda0, then, it is covered by the ii-th
            satellite
165         end
166     end
167     SEE(i,Nsat+1) = sign(sum(SEE(i,1:Nsat))); %As long as there is one
            satellite covered, then the target is covered by the
            constellation
168 end
169
170 end %find_ra_and_dec

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171 |
172 | % ~~~~~
173 | function form_separate_curves
174 | % ~~~~~
175 | % Breaks the ground track up into separate curves which start
176 | % and terminate at right ascensions in the range [0,360 deg].
177 | % -----
178 | tol = 100;
179 | curve_no = 1;
180 | n_curves = 1;
181 | k = 0;
182 | ra_prev = ra(1,ii);
183 | for i = 1:length(ra)
184 | if abs(ra(i) - ra_prev) > tol
185 | curve_no = curve_no + 1;
186 | n_curves = n_curves + 1;
187 | k = 0;
188 | end
189 | k = k + 1;
190 | RA{curve_no}(k) = ra(i,ii);
191 | Dec{curve_no}(k) = dec(i,ii);
192 | ra_prev = ra(i,ii);
193 | end
194 | end %form_separate_curves
195 |
196 | % ~~~~~
197 | function plot_ground_track
198 | % ~~~~~
199 | for i = 1:n_curves
200 | plot(RA{i}, Dec{i},'.r','MarkerSize',4)
201 | end
202 | plot(longT/deg,latT/deg,'ow');
203 | % axis ([0 360 -90 90])
204 | text('Position', [ra(1,ii) dec(1,ii)], 'String', ['o Start' num2str(ii)
205 | ])
206 | text('Position', [ra(end,ii) dec(end,ii)], 'String', ['o Finish' num2str
207 | (ii)])
208 | text('Position',[longT/deg,latT/deg], 'String', ' Target', 'FontSize',
209 | 12, 'Color', 'white')
210 | line([min(ra(:,ii)) max(ra(:,ii))],[0 0], 'Color','k') %the equator
211 | end %plot_ground_track

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210 function ground_map
211 load( 'topo.mat', 'topo', 'topomap1' );
212 contour(0:359, -89:90, topo, [0 0], 'b')
213 axis equal
214 box on
215 set(gca, 'XLim', [0 360], 'YLim', [-90 90], ...
216 'XTick', [0 60 120 180 240 300 360], ...
217 'Ytick', [-90 -60 -30 0 30 60 90]);
218 hold on
219 image([0 360], [-90 90], topo, 'CDataMapping', 'scaled');
220 colormap(topomap1);
221 xlabel('East longitude (degrees)')
222 ylabel('Latitude (degrees)')
223 axis equal
224 grid on
225 end %ground_map
226
227 function output
228     %... Plot the results:
229     % Draw the planet
230     load( 'topo.mat', 'topo', 'topomap1' );
231     [xx, yy, zz] = sphere(100);
232     cla reset
233     props.AmbientStrength = 0.1;
234     props.DiffuseStrength = 1;
235     props.SpecularColorReflectance = .5;
236     props.SpecularExponent = 20;
237     props.SpecularStrength = 1;
238     props.FaceColor= 'texture';
239     props.EdgeColor = 'none';
240     props.FaceLighting = 'phong';
241     props.Cdata = topo;
242     sf = surface(Re*xx, Re*yy, Re*zz, props); %'facecolor', 'texturemap', 'cdata
        ', topo);
243     for rt = 1:100 %Re-orient topo map to longitude east 0 at GMT
244         rotate(sf, [0 0 1], 45);
245     end
246 %     sf;
247 %colormap(light_gray)
248 %caxis([-Re/10 Re/10])
249 %shading interp
250 % Draw and label the X, Y and Z axes

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251 line([0 2*Re], [0 0], [0 0]); text(2*Re, 0, 0, 'X')
252 line([0 0], [0 2*Re], [0 0]); text(0, 2*Re, 0, 'Y')
253 line([0 0], [0 0], [0 2*Re]); text(0, 0, 2*Re, 'Z')
254 % Plot the orbit, draw a radial to the starting point
255 % and label the starting point (o) and the final point (f)
256 hold on
257 for ii =1:Nsat
258 plot3(Rplot(:,1,ii), Rplot(:,2,ii), Rplot(:,3,ii), 'k')
259 % line([0 r0(1)], [0 r0(2)], [0 r0(3)])
260 if(ii==1)
261 draw_sat(Rplot(1,1:3,ii),[350 350 350], 'g',1);
262 else
263 draw_sat(Rplot(1,1:3,ii),[350 350 350], 'r',1);
264 end
265 end
266 % Select a view direction (a vector directed outward from the origin)
267 view([1,1,.4])
268 % Specify some properties of the graph
269 grid on
270 axis equal
271 xlabel('km')
272 ylabel('km')
273 zlabel('km')
274 end %output
275
276 % ~~~~~~
277 function print_orbital_data
278 % ~~~~~~
279 coe = [h e Wo incl wpo TAO];
280 [ro, vo] = sv_from_coe(coe, mu);
281 fprintf('\n -----\n')
282 fprintf('\n Angular momentum = %g km^2/s', h)
283 fprintf('\n Eccentricity = %g', e)
284 fprintf('\n Semimajor axis = %g km', a)
285 fprintf('\n Perigee radius = %g km', rP)
286 fprintf('\n Apogee radius = %g km', rA)
287 fprintf('\n Period = %g hours', T/3600)
288 fprintf('\n Inclination = %g deg', incl/deg)
289 fprintf('\n Initial true anomaly = %g deg', TAO/deg)
290 fprintf('\n Initial RA = %g deg', Wo/deg)
291 fprintf('\n RA_dot = %g deg/day', Wdot/deg*(tf-to))
292 fprintf('\n Initial wp = %g deg', wpo/deg)

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293 fprintf( '\n wp_dot = %g deg/period ' , wpdot/deg*T)
294 fprintf( '\n')
295 fprintf( '\n r0 = [%12g, %12g, %12g] (km)', ro(1), ro(2), ro(3))
296 fprintf( '\n magnitude = %g km\n', norm(ro))
297 fprintf( '\n v0 = [%12g, %12g, %12g] (km)', vo(1), vo(2), vo(3))
298 fprintf( '\n magnitude = %g km/s\n', norm(vo))
299 fprintf( '\n _____\n')
300
301 end %print_orbital_data
302 end %ground_track
303 % ~~~~~

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D Listing of code - "orbit.m"

```

1 function orbit %similar to groundtrack.m except that state vector is
   propagated instead using Newton's law
2 clc; close all; clear all
3 global ra dec n_curves RA Dec
4 hours = 3600;
5 deg = pi/180;
6 %... Input data:
7 % Earth:
8 R = 6378;
9 mu = 398600;
10 we = (2*pi + 2*pi/365.26)/(24*3600);
11 %Physical model input
12 J2_inc = 1; %Include J2 perturbation effects? 1 - yes, 0 for no
13 low_thrust = 0; %Include low thrust tangential to orbit path? 1 - yes,
   0 - no
14 at_thrust = 5e-6;
15 Atmos_drag = 0; %Include atmospheric drag? 1 - yes, 0 - no
16 ball_coeff = 150; % Ballistic coefficient Used for atmospheric drag
   calculations
17 %Simulation Parameters
18 t0 = 0;
19 tf = 1*24*hours;
20 dt = 20; %in seconds for ode4 routine
21 %Initial Orbit parameters
22 hP = 400;
23 hA = 400;
24 TAo = 0*deg;

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25  Wo = 0*deg;
26  incl = 51.43*deg;
27  wpo = 0*deg;
28  %Target latitude and longitude
29  latT = 25.611*deg; %36.372*deg;
30  longT = 85.144*deg;%127.363*deg;
31  %Satellite payload parameters
32  Da = 1;
33  WL = 1.11e-2;
34  x_res = 1.1;
35  KA = 20626.4806; % for IAA area in deg^2
36  %...End input data
37  %Calculate Earth central angle from payload parameters
38  h_prime = Da*x_res*1e-3/(2.440*WL); %From Rayleigh optical resolution
      (km)
39
40  %Numerical conditions
41  rkr45_int = 0;
42  % Obtain R0 and V0 vectors from coe data
43  rP = hP + R; rA = hA + R;
44  a = (rA + rP)/2;
45  T = 2*pi/sqrt(mu)*a^(3/2);
46  %   tf = 0.5*T;
47  e = (rA - rP)/(rA + rP);
48  h = sqrt(mu*a*(1 - e^2));
49
50  coe = [h e Wo incl wpo TAO];
51  coe0 = coe;
52  [r0 v0] = sv_from_coe(coe,mu);
53  %... Numerical integration:
54  %   mu = G*(m1 + m2);
55  theta = 0; %Earth revolution
56  y0 = [r0 v0 theta]';
57  if(rkr45_int == 1)
58      [t,y] = rkf45(@rates, [t0 tf], y0);
59  else
60      t = t0:dt:tf;
61      [y] = ode5(@rates, t, y0);
62  end
63  coe1 = coe_from_sv(y(end,1:3),y(end,4:6),mu);
64  %... Output the results:
65  figure(1)

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```

66     output
67     find_ra_and_dec
68     figure(2)
69     form_separate_curves
70     plot_ground_track
71     print_orbital_data
72     figure(3)
73     plot(t/hours,SEE,'-k');
74     figure(4)
75     plot(t/hours,alt,'-k');
76
77     [p_cover mean_response max_response] = test_t(SEE,t);
78     mean_alt = mean(alt);
79     fprintf('\\n Altitude = %g km | Percentage coverage = %g percent | Mean
        response time = %g seconds | Max response time = %g seconds \\n',
        mean_alt, p_cover*100, mean_response, max_response)
80 %     axis([0 tf/hours 0 1.1]);
81 return
82
83 function dydt = rates(t,f)
84     x = f(1);
85     y = f(2);
86     z = f(3);
87     vx = f(4);
88     vy = f(5);
89     vz = f(6);
90 %     we = 0; %(2*pi + 2*pi/365.26)/(24*3600);
91     r = norm([x y z]);
92     if((J2_inc == 1) && (incl ~= 0))
93         %To calculate J2 orbit perturbation from Chobotov Question 10.5 J2
94         %perturbation in Cartesian coordinates
95         J2 = 0.00108263;
96         fac = -(mu/r^2)*(3/2)*J2*(R/r)^2;
97         px = fac*(x/r)*(1-5*(z/r)^2);
98         py = fac*(y/r)*(1-5*(z/r)^2);
99         pz = fac*(z/r)*(3-5*(z/r)^2);
100     else
101         P(1:3) = 0;
102         px = 0;
103         py = 0;
104         pz = 0;
105     end

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106
107     if(low_thrust == 1)
108         T_vec = [vx vy vx]/norm([vx vy vz]);
109         H_vec = cross([x y z],[vx vy vz]);
110         W_vec = H_vec/norm(H_vec);
111         N_vec = cross(T_vec,W_vec);
112         Qmat = [N_vec' T_vec' W_vec'];
113         at = at_thrust;
114         AT = at*[0;1;0];
115         AT = Qmat*AT;
116     else
117         AT(1:3) = 0;
118     end
119
120     ax = -mu*x/r^3 + px + AT(1);
121     ay = -mu*y/r^3 + py + AT(2);
122     az = -mu*z/r^3 + pz + AT(3);
123     dydt = [vx vy vz ax ay az we]';
124 end %rates
125
126 function find_ra_and_dec %Get subsatellite point and also determine if
    satellite can see the target
127 times=t;
128 ra = [];
129 dec = [];
130 theta = 0;
131 for i = 1:length(times)
132     ti = times(i);
133     r = [y(i,1) y(i,2) y(i,3)]';
134     v = [y(i,4) y(i,5) y(i,6)]';
135     coe1 = coe_from_sv(r,v,mu);
136     Rr = r;
137     Q = R3(y(i,7));
138     r_rel = Q*Rr;
139     [alpha delta] = ra_and_dec_from_r(r_rel);
140
141     ra = [ra; alpha];
142     dec = [dec; delta];
143 end
144 SEE(1:length(times)) = 0;
145 for ii = 1:length(times)
146     ti = times(ii);

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147     r = [y(ii,1) y(ii,2) y(ii,3)]';
148     alt(ii) = norm(r) - R;
149     clambda(ii) = 1-(h_prime^2 - alt(ii)^2)/(2*R*(R + alt(ii)));
150     IAA = KA.*(1 - clambda);
151     latP_prime = pi/2 - latT;
152     latSSP_prime = pi/2 - dec(ii);
153     delta_L = ra(ii)*deg - longT;
154     lambda(ii) = acosd(clambda(ii));
155     lambda0(ii) = acosd(R/(R + hP));
156     rlambda(ii) = acosd(cos(latP_prime)*cos(latSSP_prime) + sin(
        latP_prime)*sin(latSSP_prime)*cos(delta_L));
157     if (rlambda(ii) > 180)
158         rlambda(ii) = 360 - rlambda(ii);
159     end
160     if (rlambda(ii) <= min(lambda(ii),lambda0(ii)))
161         SEE(ii) = 1;
162     end
163 end
164
165 end %find_ra_and_dec
166
167 function output
168     for i = 1:length(t)
169         r(i) = norm([y(i,1) y(i,2) y(i,3)]);
170     end
171     [rmax imax] = max(r);
172     [rmin imin] = min(r);
173     v_at_rmax = norm([y(imax,4) y(imax,5) y(imax,6)]);
174     v_at_rmin = norm([y(imin,4) y(imin,5) y(imin,6)]);
175     fprintf('\n\n-----\n')
176     fprintf('\n Earth Orbit\n')
177     fprintf(' %s\n', datestr(now))
178     fprintf('\n The initial position is [%g, %g, %g] (km).', ...
179                                                     r0(1), r0(2),
180                                                     r0(3))
181     fprintf('\n Magnitude = %g km\n', norm(r0))
182     fprintf('\n The initial velocity is [%g, %g, %g] (km/s).', ...
183                                                     v0(1), v0(2),
184                                                     v0(3))
185     fprintf('\n Magnitude = %g km/s\n', norm(v0))
186     fprintf('\n Initial time = %g h.\n Final time = %g h.\n',0,tf/hours)

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185 fprintf( '\n The minimum altitude is %g km at time = %g h.', ...
186           rmin-R, t(imin)/
           hours)
187 fprintf( '\n The speed at that point is %g km/s.\n', v_at_rmin)
188 fprintf( '\n The maximum altitude is %g km at time = %g h.', ...
189           rmax-R, t(imax)/
           hours)
190 fprintf( '\n The speed at that point is %g km/s\n', v_at_rmax)
191 fprintf( '\n-----\n\
           n')
192 %... Plot the results:
193 % Draw the planet
194 load( 'topo.mat', 'topo', 'topomap1' );
195 [xx, yy, zz] = sphere(100);
196 cla reset
197 props.AmbientStrength = 0.1;
198 props.DiffuseStrength = 1;
199 props.SpecularColorReflectance = .5;
200 props.SpecularExponent = 20;
201 props.SpecularStrength = 1;
202 props.FaceColor= 'texture';
203 props.EdgeColor = 'none';
204 props.FaceLighting = 'phong';
205 props.Cdata = topo;
206 sf = surface(R*xx,R*yy,R*zz,props);%'facecolor','texturemap','cdata',
    topo);
207 for rt = 1:100 %Re-orient topo map to longitude east 0 at GMT
208     rotate(sf,[0,0,1],45);
209 end
210 caxis([-R/5 R/5])
211 %shading interp
212 % Draw and label the X, Y and Z axes
213 line([0 2*R], [0 0], [0 0]); text(2*R, 0, 0, 'X')
214 line([0 0], [0 2*R], [0 0]); text( 0, 2*R, 0, 'Y')
215 line([0 0], [0 0], [0 2*R]); text( 0, 0, 2*R, 'Z')
216 % Plot the orbit, draw a radial to the starting point
217 % and label the starting point (o) and the final point (f)
218 hold on
219 plot3( y(:,1), y(:,2), y(:,3), 'k')
220 draw_sat([y(1,1) y(1,2) y(1,3)], [1000 1000 1000], 'g', 1);
221 line([0 r0(1)], [0 r0(2)], [0 r0(3)])
222 text( y(1,1), y(1,2), y(1,3), 'o')

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223 text( y(end,1), y(end,2), y(end,3), 'f')
224 % Select a view direction (a vector directed outward from the origin)
225 view([0,0,1])
226 % Specify some properties of the graph
227 grid on
228 axis equal
229 xlabel('km')
230 ylabel('km')
231 zlabel('km')
232 % ~~~~~~
233 end %output
234 % ~~~~~~
235
236 % ~~~~~~
237 function form_separate_curves
238 % ~~~~~~
239 % Breaks the ground track up into separate curves which start
240 % and terminate at right ascensions in the range [0,360 deg].
241 % ~~~~~~
242 tol = 100;
243 curve_no = 1;
244 n_curves = 1;
245 k = 0;
246 ra_prev = ra(1);
247 for i = 1:length(ra)
248 if abs(ra(i) - ra_prev) > tol
249 curve_no = curve_no + 1;
250 n_curves = n_curves + 1;
251 k = 0;
252 end
253 k = k + 1;
254 RA{curve_no}(k) = ra(i);
255 Dec{curve_no}(k) = dec(i);
256 ra_prev = ra(i);
257 end
258 end %form_separate_curves
259
260 % ~~~~~~
261 function plot_ground_track
262 % ~~~~~~
263 load('topo.mat','topo','topomap1');
264 contour(0:359,-89:90,topo,[0 0],'b')

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265 axis equal
266 box on
267 set(gca, 'XLim',[0 360], 'YLim',[-90 90], ...
268     'XTick',[0 60 120 180 240 300 360], ...
269     'Ytick',[-90 -60 -30 0 30 60 90]);
270 hold on
271 image([0 360],[-90 90],topo,'CDataMapping', 'scaled');
272 colormap(topomap1);
273 xlabel('East longitude (degrees)')
274 ylabel('Latitude (degrees)')
275 axis equal
276 grid on
277 for i = 1:n_curves
278 plot(RA{i}, Dec{i}, '-r')
279 end
280 plot(longT/deg, latT/deg, 'or');
281 % axis ([0 360 -90 90])
282 text( ra(1), dec(1), 'o Start')
283 text(ra(end), dec(end), 'o Finish')
284 text(longT/deg, latT/deg, ' Target')
285 line([min(ra) max(ra)], [0 0], 'Color','k') %the equator
286 end %plot_ground_track
287
288 % ~~~~~~
289 function print_orbital_data
290 % ~~~~~~
291 coe = [h e Wo incl wpo T Ao];
292 [ro, vo] = sv_from_coe(coe, mu);
293 fprintf(' \n _____ \n')
294 fprintf(' \n Angular momentum = %g km^2/s' , h)
295 fprintf(' \n Eccentricity = %g', e)
296 fprintf(' \n Semimajor axis = %g km', a)
297 fprintf(' \n Perigee radius = %g km', rP)
298 fprintf(' \n Apogee radius = %g km', rA)
299 fprintf(' \n Period = %g hours' , T/3600)
300 fprintf(' \n Inclination = %g deg', incl/deg)
301 fprintf(' \n Initial true anomaly = %g deg', T Ao/deg)
302 % fprintf(' \n Time since perigee = %g hours' , to/3600)
303 fprintf(' \n Initial RA = %g deg', Wo/deg)
304 % fprintf(' \n RA_dot = %g deg/period' , Wdot/deg*T)
305 fprintf(' \n Initial wp = %g deg', wpo/deg)
306 % fprintf(' \n wp_dot = %g deg/period' , wpdot/deg*T)

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307 fprintf( '\n' )
308 fprintf( '\n r0 = [%12g, %12g, %12g] (km)', ro(1), ro(2), ro(3))
309 fprintf( '\n magnitude = %g km\n', norm(ro))
310 fprintf( '\n v0 = [%12g, %12g, %12g] (km)', vo(1), vo(2), vo(3))
311 fprintf( '\n magnitude = %g km\n', norm(vo))
312 fprintf( '\n _____\n' )
313
314 end %print_orbital_data
315 end %orbit
316 % ~~~~~

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E Listing of code - "test_t.m"

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1 function [p_cover mean_response max_response min_response] = test_t(x,t)
2 dt = (t(end) - t(1))/(length(t) );
3 p_cover = sum(x)/length(x);
4 t_response(1:length(t)) = 0;
5 for i=1:length(t)
6     if(x(i) > 0)
7         t_response(i) = 0;
8     elseif (i~=length(t))
9         ii = i;
10        while ((x(ii) <= x(ii+1))&&(x(ii) < 1)) %End of Gap reached when
11            x(ii) == 1
12            t_response(i) = t_response(i) + dt;
13            ii = ii + 1;
14            if(ii == length(t))
15                break
16            end
17        else
18            t_response(i) = t_response(i) + dt; %Already at the end, and it
19            is a gap, so, add dt
20        end
21    end
22 nt_response = nonzeros(t_response);
23 total_response = sum(t_response);
24 max_response = max(nt_response);
25 min_response = min(nt_response);
26 mean_response = total_response/length(t);

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