

Last Time:

- Energy Dissipation
- Gyrostats
- Superspin

Today:

- Dynamic Balance
 - Attitude Determination
 - Attitude Sensors
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Superspin (Last time):

- Stable spin about non-major axis:

$${}^I h_2 = {}^I J_{22} {}^I \omega_2 + {}^I p_2 = \underbrace{\left(J_{22} + \frac{p_2}{\omega_2} \right)}_{J_{\text{eff}}} \omega_2$$

- Choose p_2 so $J_{\text{eff}} > J_{33}$
- Good rule is $J_{\text{eff}} = 1.2 J_{33}$

Dynamic Balance

- What if we want to spin a satellite about a non-principle axis?

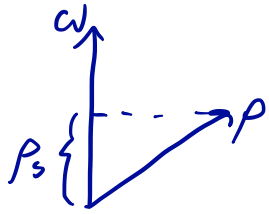
- Equilibrium spin conditions: ${}^B \dot{\omega} = \dot{p} = 0$

$$J \dot{\omega} + \dot{p} + \omega \times (J\omega + p) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega \times (J\omega + p) = 0$$

choose p to make this whole term zero

- We also need superspin condition for stability



$$p_s = \frac{p \cdot w}{\|w\|} \Rightarrow {}^0 p^T {}^0 w = \omega_s p_s$$

- Only the component of p parallel to w contributes to J_{eff} :

$$J_{\text{eff}} = J_s + \frac{p_s}{\omega_s} \geq J_{33} \quad (= 1.2 J_{33})$$

(solve for p_s)

- Stack no-wobble and superspin conditions:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} {}^0 w^T \\ {}^0 \hat{w} \end{bmatrix}}_{4 \times 3} \underbrace{{}^0 p}_{3 \times 1} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \omega_s p_s \\ -w \times J w \end{bmatrix}}_{4 \times 1}$$

- Moore-Penrose Pseudoinverse:

$$\underbrace{A}_{m \times n} x = \underbrace{b}_{m \times 1}, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \quad m > n$$

$$\underbrace{(A^T A)}_{n \times n} \underbrace{x}_{n \times 1} = \underbrace{A^T b}_{n \times 1} \Rightarrow x = \underbrace{(A^T A)^{-1} A^T}_{A^+ \text{ "pseudoinverse of A" } } b$$

- "least-squares" solution

- best solved with QR decomposition

- Just use backslash in MATLAB ($x = A \backslash b$)

- Solve for p using pseudoinverse:

$$p = \left([w; -\hat{w}] \begin{bmatrix} {}^0 w^T \\ {}^0 \hat{w} \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} [w; -\hat{w}] \begin{bmatrix} \omega_s p_s \\ -w \times J w \end{bmatrix}$$

Attitude Estimation:

- How to figure out attitude using onboard sensors
- How do we deal with attitude statistically?

Attitude Sensors:

* Gyroscopes

- Measure ${}^B\omega$
- Many Kinds with wide variation in cost + performance

* Magnetometers

- Measures Earth's magnetic field: ${}^B B$
- Only useful in low-Earth orbits
- Coarse: \sim few degrees error
- Issues with EM noise from other parts of the spacecraft
- Simple + low cost

* Star Tracker

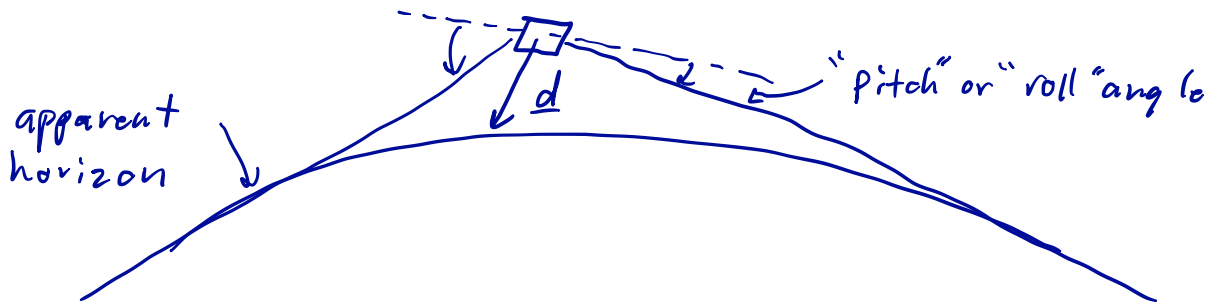
- Camera looks at stars and compares to a database/map
- Works anywhere but sensitive to blinding by e.g. sun
- Gives full attitude quaternion
- High accuracy: ~ 1 arc sec ($\sim .0003^\circ$) errors
- expensive
- Limited slew rates tolerated

* Sun Sensor

- Measures vector to sun: ${}^B r_{\text{sun}}$
- Coarse: \sim few degrees error
- Don't work in eclipse
- Simple + low cost

* Earth Sensor

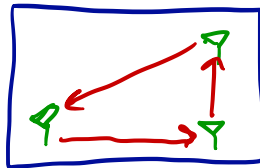
- Measures "pitch" and "roll" angles vs. horizon
- Gives "down" unit vector in body frame: ${}^B d$



- Moderate accuracy $\sim 0.1^\circ$ error
- Simple + robust
- Work well in lower orbits

* GPS

- Use 3 or more GPS antennas to get "baseline" vectors



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