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To my family for their steadfast support and love.

Abstract

Abstract in English.

Résumé

Résumé en Français.

Acknowledgements

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Preface

The contributions of this thesis that are original to the author’s knowledge are as follows.

- Chapter 1
 - Solving the batch SLAM problem using a right-invariant framework while explicitly considering bias states.

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List of Abbreviations

SLAM Simultaneous Localization and Mapping

List of Symbols

$\ \cdot\ $	the Euclidian norm of a physical vector
\mathbb{R}^n	the vector space of real n -dimensional vectors
$\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$	the space of real $m \times n$ -dimensional matrices
$(\cdot)^\top$	transpose
$(\cdot)^\times$	cross operator for $\mathfrak{so}(3)$
$(\cdot)^\wedge$	operator mapping an element of \mathbb{R}^d to \mathfrak{g}
$(\cdot)^\vee$	operator mapping an element of \mathfrak{g} to \mathbb{R}^d
$\mathbf{0}$	zero matrix
$\mathbf{1}$	identity matrix
$\text{diag}(\mathbf{M}_1, \dots, \mathbf{M}_n)$	block diagonal matrix with $\mathbf{M}_1, \dots, \mathbf{M}_n$ on diagonals, and zeros elsewhere
$\underline{\mathcal{F}}_i$	reference frame
\underline{r}	a physical vector
\underline{r}^{zw}	the position of point z relative to point w
$\underline{r}^{\bullet a}$	the time derivative of \underline{r} with respect to $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a$
$\underline{r}^{zw \bullet a} = \underline{v}^{zw/a}$	velocity of point z relative to point w with respect to $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a$
$\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a$	a vectrix, that is a matrix of unit length physical vectors that form a basis for $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a$, where $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a^\top = [\underline{a}^1 \quad \underline{a}^2 \quad \underline{a}^3]$
\mathbf{r}_a	the physical vector \underline{r} resolved in $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a$
\mathbf{C}_{ab}	a DCM parameterizing the attitude of $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a$ relative to $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_b$

$\underline{\omega}^{ba}$

angular velocity of $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_b$ relative to $\underline{\mathcal{F}}_a$

Chapter 1

Introduction

High-level introduction to the field of research.

1.1 Thesis Objective

1.2 Thesis Overview

This thesis is structured as follows.

Chapter 2 summarizes mathematical concepts and notation that are used throughout this thesis.

\Cref{chap:iekf}> outlines the IEKF. The relevant theorems and proofs are presented in continuous and discrete-time. The left-invariant extended Kalman filter and right-invariant extended Kalman filter are then detailed.

In \cref{chap:SE3}>, several examples of the IEKF are presented to illustrate how to practically implement an IEKF and to compare its performance to that of a standard multiplicative extended Kalman filter (MEKF).

In \cref{chap:batch}>, a solution to the SLAM problem in the invariant framework is presented. Simulation results are shown comparing the novel formulation to more traditional batch-based solutions to the SLAM problem.

This thesis is concluded in Chapter 3, where a summary of the findings are presented, along with recommended future work.

1.3 TEMPLATE: Using `cleveref` and `acronym`

A system of equations is given by

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}. \tag{1.1}$$

Use `\cref` to reference a label (equation, figure, table, chapter, e.t.c.) in the middle of a sentence, and use `\Cref` to reference a label at the beginning of the sentence.

For example, (1.1) is an important equation. Equation (1.1) is used extensively in estimation theory (note how ‘Equation’ is automatically added when using `\Cref`).

The `acronym` package handles acronyms well using `\Ac` (at the beginning of the sentence) and `\ac` (otherwise). The package will take care of expanding the acronym when it’s first used, and then uses the abbreviation/short-name afterwards.

For example, Simultaneous Localization and Mapping (SLAM) is an interesting field of research. Probability is extensively used in SLAM. The upper-case/lower-case rules of the long names (defined in `abbreviations.tex`) should be consistent for all acronyms.

Chapter 2

Preliminaries

Chapter 3

Closing Remarks and Future Work

3.1 Conclusions

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Appendices

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