

AE 410: Navigation and Guidance

Assignment 01

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Solution 01

A : We have the body-frame vector to be $\mathbf{V} = [V_m \ 0 \ 0]^T$, and we have rotation about z-axis by $-\psi_m$ (negative of azimuth angle) followed by a rotation about the new x-axis by θ_m (elevation angle). The quaternion describing this rotation from the inertial frame to the body frame is given as:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_m &= \left(\cos \frac{-\theta_m}{2} + \sin \frac{-\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{j} \right) \left(\cos \frac{-\psi_m}{2} + \sin \frac{-\psi_m}{2} \mathbf{k} \right) \\ &= \cos \frac{-\psi_m}{2} \cos \frac{-\theta_m}{2} + \sin \frac{-\psi_m}{2} \sin \frac{-\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{i} + \cos \frac{-\psi_m}{2} \sin \frac{-\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{j} + \sin \frac{-\psi_m}{2} \cos \frac{-\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{k} \\ &= \cos \frac{\psi_m}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_m}{2} + \sin \frac{\psi_m}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{i} - \cos \frac{\psi_m}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{j} - \sin \frac{\psi_m}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

B : We have the velocity vector in the body frame. The equivalent vector in the inertial frame is:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{mI} &= [Q_m]^* \mathbf{V} [Q_m] = V_m [q_0 - \mathbf{q}_m] \mathbf{i} [q_0 + \mathbf{q}_m] \\ &= \left[c \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} - s \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{i} + c \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{j} + s \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{k} \right] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ V_m \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \left[c \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} + s \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{i} - c \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{j} - s \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{k} \right] \\ &= V_m \left[s \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} + c \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{i} + s \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{j} - c \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{k} \right] \left[c \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} + s \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{i} - c \frac{\psi_m}{2} s \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{j} - s \frac{\psi_m}{2} c \frac{\theta_m}{2} \mathbf{k} \right] \\ &= V_m \left[(s_\psi^2 s_\theta^2 + c_\psi^2 c_\theta^2 - s_\psi^2 c_\theta^2 - c_\psi^2 s_\theta^2) \mathbf{i} + (-s_\psi c_\psi s_\theta^2 + s_\psi c_\psi c_\theta^2 - s_\psi c_\psi s_\theta^2 + s_\psi c_\psi c_\theta^2) \mathbf{j} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (-s_\psi^2 s_\theta c_\theta - c_\psi^2 s_\theta c_\theta - s_\psi^2 s_\theta c_\theta - c_\psi^2 s_\theta c_\theta) \mathbf{k} \right] \\ &= V_m \left[(c_\psi^2 - s_\psi^2)(c_\theta^2 - s_\theta^2) \mathbf{i} + (2s_\psi s_\psi)(c_\theta^2 - s_\theta^2) + (-(s_\psi^2 + c_\psi^2)(2s_\theta c_\theta)) \mathbf{k} \right] \\ &= V_m [\cos \psi_m \cos \theta_m \mathbf{i} + \sin \psi_m \cos \theta_m \mathbf{j} - \sin \theta_m \mathbf{k}] \end{aligned}$$

C : We can also calculate V_{mI} using Euler angle rotations as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{mI} &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\psi_m) & \sin(-\psi_m) & 0 \\ -\sin(-\psi_m) & \cos(-\psi_m) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\theta_m) & 0 & -\sin(-\theta_m) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin(-\theta_m) & 0 & \cos(-\theta_m) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_m \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\psi_m) \cos(-\theta_m) & \sin(-\psi_m) & -\cos(-\psi_m) \sin(-\theta_m) \\ -\sin(-\psi_m) \cos(-\theta_m) & \cos(-\psi_m) & \sin(-\psi_m) \sin(-\theta_m) \\ \sin(-\theta_m) & 0 & \cos(-\theta_m) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_m \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi_m \cos \theta_m & -\sin \psi_m & \cos \psi_m \sin \theta_m \\ \sin \psi_m \cos \theta_m & \cos \psi_m & \sin \psi_m \sin \theta_m \\ -\sin \theta_m & 0 & \cos \theta_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_m \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= V_m \cos \psi_m \cos \theta_m \mathbf{i} + V_m \sin \psi_m \cos \theta_m \mathbf{j} - V_m \sin \theta_m \mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 02

A : We know the Euler transformation matrix for rotation in the positive directions. Hence, replacing the θ term with $-\theta$ gives us the required Euler transformation matrix:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ 0 & -\sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\theta) & 0 & -\sin(-\theta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin(-\theta) & 0 & \cos(-\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi & \sin \psi & 0 \\ -\sin \psi & \cos \psi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\theta) \cos \psi & \cos(-\theta) \sin \psi & -\sin(-\theta) \\ \cos \psi \sin(-\theta) \sin \phi - \sin \psi \cos \phi & \sin \psi \sin(-\theta) \sin \phi + \cos \psi \cos \phi & \cos(-\theta) \sin \phi \\ \cos \psi \sin(-\theta) \cos \phi + \sin \psi \sin \phi & \sin \psi \sin(-\theta) \cos \phi + \cos \psi \sin \phi & \cos(-\theta) \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \cos \psi & \cos \theta \sin \psi & \sin \theta \\ -\cos \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi - \sin \psi \cos \phi & -\sin \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi + \cos \psi \cos \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ -\cos \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \sin \psi \sin \phi & -\sin \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \psi \sin \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

C : We obtain the following quaternion describing composite rotation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [Q] &= \left(\cos \frac{\psi}{2} + \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \mathbf{k} \right) \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \mathbf{j} \right) \left(\cos \frac{\phi}{2} + \sin \frac{\phi}{2} \mathbf{i} \right) \\
 &= \left(\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \mathbf{i} - \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \mathbf{j} + \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \mathbf{k} \right) \left(\cos \frac{\phi}{2} + \sin \frac{\phi}{2} \mathbf{i} \right) \\
 &= \left(\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\phi}{2} - \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\phi}{2} \right) + \left(\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\phi}{2} + \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\phi}{2} \right) \mathbf{i} \\
 &\quad + \left(\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\phi}{2} - \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\phi}{2} \right) \mathbf{j} + \left(\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\phi}{2} + \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\phi}{2} \right) \mathbf{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

B : From the quaternion from part C, we substitute values to the quaternion transformation matrix as provided in the lecture slides:

$$[QT] = \begin{bmatrix} q_0^2 + q_1^2 - q_2^2 - q_3^2 & 2(q_3q_0 + q_1q_2) & 2(q_1q_3 - q_0q_2) \\ 2(q_1q_2 - q_3q_0) & q_0^2 - q_1^2 + q_2^2 - q_3^2 & 2(q_1q_0 + q_3q_2) \\ 2(q_0q_2 + q_1q_3) & 2(q_2q_3 - q_0q_1) & q_0^2 - q_1^2 - q_2^2 + q_3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This gives us back the Euler transformation matrix:

$$[QT] = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \cos \psi & \cos \theta \sin \psi & \sin \theta \\ -\cos \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi - \sin \psi \cos \phi & -\sin \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi + \cos \psi \cos \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ -\cos \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \sin \psi \sin \phi & -\sin \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \psi \sin \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution 03

A : The unit vector is $\hat{q} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, 0, 1)$, giving us the quaternion:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [Q] &= \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \hat{q} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k})
 \end{aligned}$$

B : We have the actual vector $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{j} = (0, 1, 0)$. By using the quaternion operator on \mathbf{v} , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} [w] &= L_Q(\mathbf{v}) = (q_0^2 - \|\mathbf{q}\|^2)\mathbf{v} + 2(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{q} + 2q_0(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v}) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4}\right)\mathbf{j} + 2k(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{j} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k}) \times \mathbf{j}\right) \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}\mathbf{i} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{j} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}\mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

C : On rotating the coordinate frame and keeping the vector constant, we get the following new vector:

$$\begin{aligned} [w'] &= L_{Q^*}(\mathbf{v}) = (q_0^2 - \|\mathbf{q}\|^2)\mathbf{v} + 2(-\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{v})(-\mathbf{q}) + 2q_0(-\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{v}) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4}\right)\mathbf{j} - 2k(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{j} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}(-\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{k}) \times \mathbf{j}\right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}\mathbf{i} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{j} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}}\mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 04

A : We have $R = 1000m$ and $\Omega = 100^\circ s^{-1} = \frac{100 \times \pi}{180} = \frac{5\pi}{9}$. Hence,

$$t_{\pm} = \frac{2\pi R}{c \mp R\Omega} = \frac{2 \times 1000 \times \pi}{c \pm (1000 \times \frac{5\pi}{9})}$$

which gives $t_+ = 2.0958572235959284649072439754189 \times 10^{-5}s = 20.9585722\mu s$
and $t_- = 2.0958328204495051953294339759012 \times 10^{-5}s = 20.958328\mu s$

B : Transit time,

$$\Delta t = t_+ - t_- = 2.44031464232695778099995177 \times 10^{-10} = 0.2440314ns$$

C : Optical path difference,

$$\Delta L = c\Delta t = 0.07315879249165895128282012390098m = 7.31587924 \times 10^{-2}m$$

Solution 05

We have equilateral triangular and square ring laser gyros (RLGs) such that operating wavelength $\lambda = 0.6328\mu m$, input angular velocity, $\Omega = 1^\circ hr^{-1} = \frac{1 \times \pi}{3600s \times 180} = \frac{\pi}{648000}$ and the value of the side length of the square-shaped RLG $b = 10cm$.

A : Given that the measurable beat frequencies for both RLGs are the same, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4A_{\triangle}\Omega}{L_{\triangle}\lambda} &= \frac{4A_{\square}\Omega}{L_{\square}\lambda} \\ \implies \frac{A_{\triangle}}{L_{\triangle}} &= \frac{A_{\square}}{L_{\square}} \\ \implies \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}a^2}{4}}{3a} &= \frac{b^2}{4b} \\ \implies a &= \sqrt{3}b \end{aligned}$$

B : Given b , we get

$$a = \sqrt{3}b = 1.732 \times 0.1m = 0.1732m = 17.32cm$$

$$S = \frac{4A_{\square}}{L_{\square}\lambda} = \frac{4 \times 0.1^2}{4 \times 0.1 \times 0.6328 \times 10^{-6}m} = 158027.813$$

$$\Delta\nu = S\Omega = 158027.813 \times \frac{\pi}{648000} = 0.7661405Hz$$

Solution 06

A : We can solve for C_1^2 as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} i_2 \\ j_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} i_2 \\ j_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} [i_1 \ j_1 \ k_1] &= \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} [i_1 \ j_1 \ k_1] = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow C_1^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i_2 \cdot i_1 & i_2 \cdot j_1 & i_2 \cdot k_1 \\ j_2 \cdot i_1 & j_2 \cdot j_1 & j_2 \cdot k_1 \\ k_2 \cdot i_1 & k_2 \cdot j_1 & k_2 \cdot k_1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we get C_2^1 as:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} &= C_2^1 \begin{bmatrix} i_2 \\ j_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} [i_2 \ j_2 \ k_2] &= C_2^1 \begin{bmatrix} i_2 \\ j_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} [i_2 \ j_2 \ k_2] = C_2^1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow C_2^1 &= \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \cdot i_2 & i_1 \cdot j_2 & i_1 \cdot k_2 \\ j_1 \cdot i_2 & j_1 \cdot j_2 & j_1 \cdot k_2 \\ k_1 \cdot i_2 & k_1 \cdot j_2 & k_1 \cdot k_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We can now consider both matrices acting one after the other on frame F_1 . We know that, since the first represents a transformation from frame F_1 to frame F_2 and the second represents the opposite, the resulting frame from the composite operation should be F_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} &= C_2^1 C_1^2 \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{but } \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} &= \mathbf{I}_3 \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ j_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow C_2^1 C_1^2 &= \mathbf{I}_3 \end{aligned}$$

B : We know that the root mean square value of each row or column of the transformation matrix should be equal to 1:

$$c_{21}^2 + (0.8665)^2 + (-0.2496)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow c_{21} = \sqrt{1 - 0.81312} \approx \pm 0.4323$$

$$c_{32}^2 + (0.8665)^2 + (-0.4323)^2 = 1 \implies c_{21} = \sqrt{1 - 0.93771} \approx \pm 0.2496$$

$$c_{31}^2 + (0.9666)^2 + (-0.2496)^2 = 1 \implies c_{21} = \sqrt{1 - 0.99662} \approx \pm 0.0578$$

Also, due to orthogonality, each row (or column) is orthogonal to the other rows (or columns). Hence,

$$((-0.4323) \times 0.0578) + (0.8665 \times (-0.2496)) + (c_{32} \times 0.9666) = 0 \implies c_{32} = 0.2496$$

$$(0.8999 \times c_{21}) + ((-0.4323) \times (0.8665)) + (0.0578 \times (-0.2496)) = 0 \implies c_{21} = 0.4323$$

$$(0.8999 \times c_{31}) + (-0.4323 \times 0.2496) + (0.0578 \times 0.9666) = 0 \implies c_{31} = 0.0578$$

C : We know that rotation about $Z - Y' - X''$ gives the following resultant transformation matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1^2 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \cos \psi & \cos \theta \sin \psi & -\sin \theta \\ \cos \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi - \sin \psi \cos \phi & \sin \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi + \cos \psi \cos \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ \cos \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \sin \psi \sin \phi & \sin \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \psi \sin \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8999 & -0.4323 & 0.0578 \\ 0.4323 & 0.8665 & -0.2496 \\ 0.0578 & 0.2496 & 0.9666 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

From this, we get the following relations:

$$-\sin \theta = 0.0578 \implies \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-0.0578}{\sqrt{1 - 0.0578^2}} \right) = -3.31354^\circ$$

$$\cos \theta \sin \phi = -0.2496 \text{ and } \cos \theta \cos \phi = 0.9666 \implies \phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-0.2496}{0.9666} \right) = -14.47890^\circ$$

$$\cos \theta \sin \psi = -0.4323 \text{ and } \cos \theta \cos \psi = 0.8999 \implies \psi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-0.4323}{0.8999} \right) = -25.65901^\circ$$

Solution 07

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R} &= \mathbf{R}_\beta \mathbf{R}_\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & -\sin \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha & 0 \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha \cos \beta & \sin \alpha \cos \beta & -\sin \beta \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0 \\ \cos \alpha \sin \beta & \sin \alpha \sin \beta & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Now, the quaternions corresponding to each rotation are given as:

$$[Q1] = \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} + \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \mathbf{k}$$

$$[Q2] = \cos \frac{\beta}{2} + \sin \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{j}$$

$$\implies [Q] = [Q1][Q2]$$

$$= \left(\cos \frac{\alpha}{2} + \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \mathbf{k} \right) \left(\cos \frac{\beta}{2} + \sin \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{j} \right)$$

$$= \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} - \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \sin \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{i} + \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \sin \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{j} + \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{k}$$

$$\text{Vector of rotation, } \hat{q} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\beta}{2}}} \left(-\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \sin \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{i} + \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \sin \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{j} + \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} \mathbf{k} \right)$$