

UAV Kinematics

Position of the UAV will be given in reference frame $\{n\}$ using NED. This gives the states:

$$\mathbf{p}_{b/n}^n = \begin{bmatrix} N \\ E \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \\ z_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Attitude will be given as Euler-angles:

$$\mathbf{\Theta}_{nb} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Together these make up the position and orientation vector $\boldsymbol{\eta}$:

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{b/n}^n \\ \mathbf{\Theta}_{nb} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Wind

Wind will introduce what is called crab angle χ_c in the horizontal plane and the angle of attack γ_a in the vertical plane. This will change the UAVs actual heading ψ and pitch θ to:

$$\chi = \psi + \chi_c \quad (4a)$$

$$\gamma = \theta + \gamma_a \quad (4b)$$

where χ is called the course and γ is maybe called something????

Camera position

When assuming flat earth, the centre point of the camera on the ground can be expressed in the body frame $\{b\}$ using the attitude $\mathbf{\Theta}_{nb}$ of the UAV and the height z_n :

$$\mathbf{c}_b^b = \begin{bmatrix} c_{x/b}^b \\ c_{y/b}^b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_n \sin(\theta) \\ z_n \sin(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

The distance from the UAV to the camera centre point can be expressed in $\{n\}$ by using the rotational matrix $\mathbf{R}_{z,\psi}$:

$$\mathbf{c}_b^n = \begin{bmatrix} c_{x/b}^n \\ c_{y/b}^n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{R}_{z,\psi} \mathbf{c}_b^b \quad (6)$$

In order to translate this to position in NED, it needs to be added to the UAV's NED position:

$$\mathbf{c}^n = \begin{bmatrix} x_n + c_{x/b}^n \\ y_n + c_{y/b}^n \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

ADD TRANSLATIONAL MATRIX FOR POSITION OF CAMERA

DECIDE ON HAVING ONE CENTER POINT, OR TWO EXTREMITIES