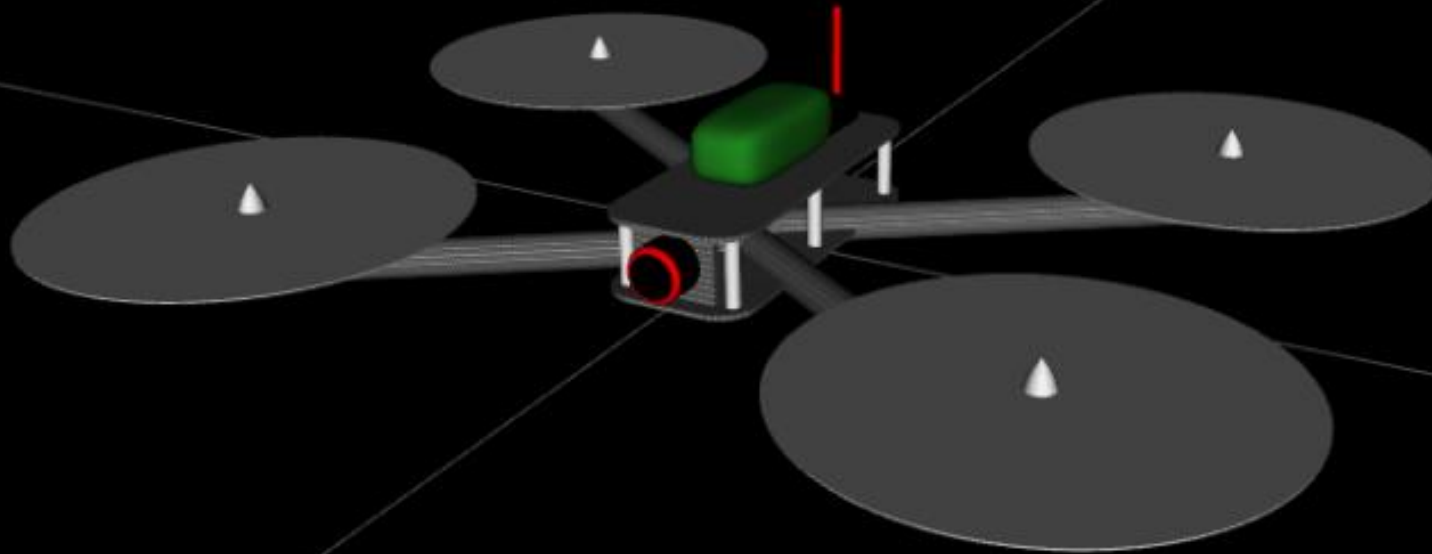


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Multi-Rotor Simulation, Control, and Estimation

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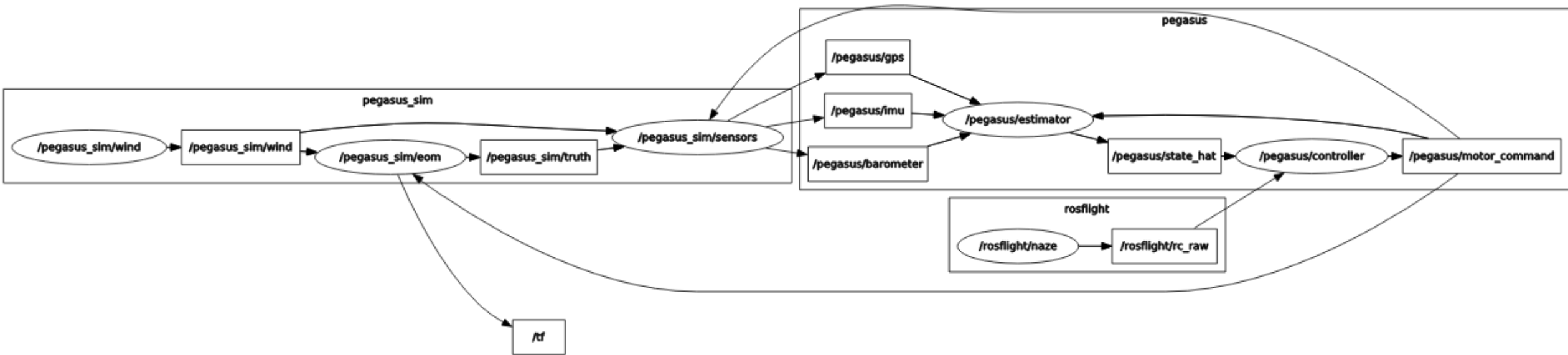


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Major Developments

- C++ and ROS implementation
- Flat plate aerodynamic model
- Motor and propeller model
- Control for manual flight
- Control for autonomous flight
- Extended Kalman Filter

ROS Nodes

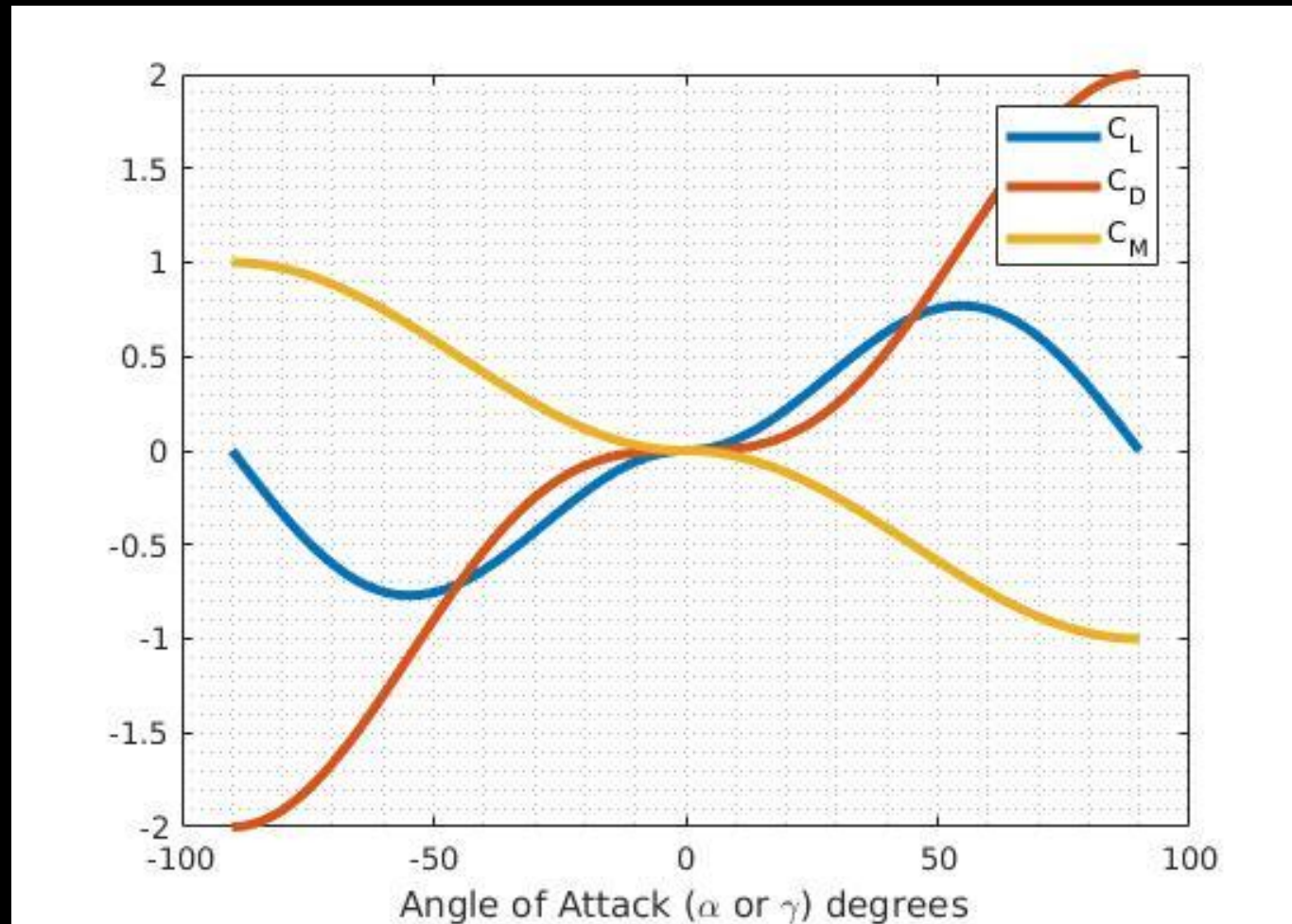


Flat Plate Aerodynamic Model

$$\begin{aligned}C_L(\alpha) &= 2 \sin^2(\alpha) \cos(\alpha) \operatorname{sgn}(\alpha) \\C_D(\alpha) &= 2 \sin^3(\alpha) \\C_M(\alpha) &= -\sin^2(\alpha) \operatorname{sgn}(\alpha)\end{aligned}$$

R. F. Stengel, *Flight Dynamics*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2004.

Flat Plate Aerodynamic Coefficients



Flat Plate Aerodynamic Model

Define

u_r = component of V_a in the i^b direction

v_r = component of V_a in the j^b direction

w_r = component of V_a in the k^b direction

$$\alpha = \text{atan} \left(\frac{w_r}{u_r} \right)$$

$$\beta = \text{asin} \left(\frac{v_r}{V_a} \right)$$

$$\gamma = \text{atan} \left(\frac{w_r}{v_r} \right)$$

Flat Plate Aerodynamic Model

Forces and moments due to airspeed at angle of attack α and γ in wind frame

$$\begin{aligned} f_{L,\alpha} &= \frac{1}{2} \rho S (u_r^2 + w_r^2) C_L(\alpha) & f_{L,\gamma} &= \frac{1}{2} \rho S (v_r^2 + w_r^2) C_L(\gamma) \\ f_{D,\alpha} &= \frac{1}{2} \rho S (u_r^2 + w_r^2) C_D(\alpha) & f_{D,\gamma} &= \frac{1}{2} \rho S (v_r^2 + w_r^2) C_D(\gamma) \\ f_{M,\alpha} &= \frac{1}{2} \rho S c (u_r^2 + w_r^2) C_D(\alpha) & f_{M,\gamma} &= \frac{1}{2} \rho S b (v_r^2 + w_r^2) C_D(\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

Where c is the flat plate length, b is the width and $S = bc$

Motor and Propeller Model

- DC motor model

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= K_{\delta_m} \delta_m \quad (\text{RPM})^{***} \\ i &= \frac{\left(V_b - \frac{\Omega}{K_v} \right)}{R_m} \\ Q_m &= \frac{i - i_0}{\frac{K_v \pi}{30}} \\ P_{shaft} &= Q_m \Omega \frac{\pi}{30}\end{aligned}$$

*** RPM, ESC's are black boxes of magic

Motor and Propeller Model

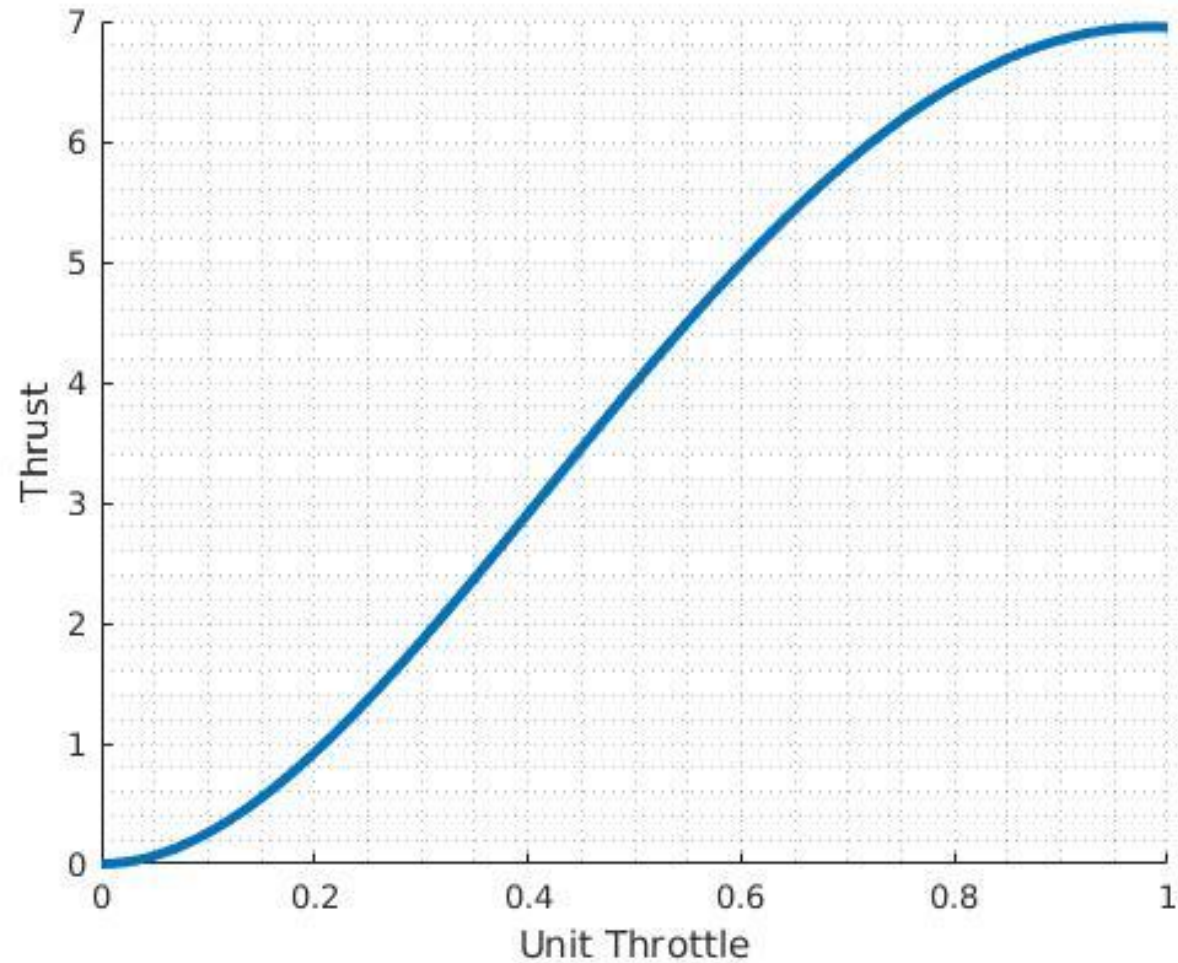
- Momentum Theory

$$F = (2\rho A_p P_{shaft}^2)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Where A_p is the area the propeller sweeps

$$\tau = \frac{F}{6.3}$$

Motor and Propeller Model



Control for Manual Flight

- While manually flying, control roll, pitch, and yaw rate (yaw rate is a misnomer, really control r).

Assume

$$[J] = \begin{bmatrix} J_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & J_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & J_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the rotational dynamics simplify to

$$\dot{p} = \frac{J_{yy} - J_{zz}}{J_{xx}} qr + \frac{M_x}{J_{xx}} \quad \dot{q} = \frac{J_{zz} - J_{xx}}{J_{yy}} pr + \frac{M_y}{J_{yy}} \quad \dot{r} = \frac{J_{xx} - J_{yy}}{J_{zz}} pq + \frac{M_z}{J_{zz}}$$

Control for Manual Flight

- Roll Controller

Assuming rotational rates are small

$$qr = 0$$
$$\dot{p} = \frac{M_x}{J_{xx}}$$

$$\dot{\phi} = p + \sin(\phi) \tan(\theta) q + \cos(\phi) \tan(\theta) r$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{\phi} &= \dot{p} + \dot{\phi} \cos(\phi) \tan(\theta) q + \dot{\phi} \sin(\phi) \sec^2(\theta) q + \sin(\phi) \tan(\theta) \dot{q} \\ &\quad - \dot{\phi} \sin(\phi) \tan(\theta) + \dot{\theta} \cos(\phi) \sec^2(\theta) r + \cos(\phi) \tan(\theta) \dot{r} \end{aligned}$$

Which is approximately

$$\ddot{\phi} = \dot{p} = \frac{M_x}{J_{xx}}$$

Control for Manual Flight

Which yields the transfer function

$$\Phi(s) = \frac{1}{J_{xx}s^2} M_x(s)$$

A PD controller yields the following transfer function from commanded roll angle to actual roll angle

$$\Phi(s) = \frac{k_{p\phi}}{J_{xx}s^2 + k_{d\phi}s + k_{p\phi}} \Phi_c$$

$$\omega_n \approx \frac{2.2}{t_r}$$

$$k_{p\phi} = \omega_n^2 J_{xx}$$

$$k_{d\phi} = 2\zeta\omega_n J_{xx}$$

Control for Manual Flight

The pitch controller is derived in a similar manner, and yields the following transfer function

$$\Theta(s) = \frac{k_{p_\theta}}{J_{yy}s^2 + k_{d_\theta}s + k_{p_\theta}} \Theta_c$$

Control for Manual Flight

Instead of commanding ψ , yaw rate is typically controlled on multi-rotors

From the kinematics using the simplified inertial matrix,

$$\dot{r} = \frac{J_{xx} - J_{yy}}{J_{zz}} pq + \frac{M_z}{J_{zz}}$$
$$pq = 0$$

$$\dot{r} = \frac{M_z}{J_{zz}}$$

$$R(s) = \frac{1}{J_{zz}s} M_z(s)$$

$$R(s) = \frac{k_{p\psi}}{(J_{zz} + k_{d\psi})s + k_{p\psi}} R_c(s)$$

Control for Manual Flight

Note that this is a 1st order system:

$$\tau = \frac{J_{zz} + k_{d\psi}}{k_{p\psi}}$$

$$k_{d_{psi}} = 0$$

$$k_{p\psi} = 5.0 \frac{J_{zz} + k_{d\psi}}{t_r}$$

Control for Autonomous Flight

- Height Controller
- Equations simplify to

$$\ddot{p}_d = \frac{f_z}{m}$$

$$f_z = F - mg$$

$$F_e = mg$$

$$\tilde{H}(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 m} \tilde{F}$$

$$\tilde{H} = \frac{k_{p_h}}{ms^2 + k_{d_h}s + k_{p_h}} \tilde{H}_c$$

Control for Autonomous Flight

- V_g and χ Controller (vehicle-1 frame)

Define

u_1 = Velocity of the multi-rotor along i^{v1}

v_1 = Velocity of the multi-rotor along j^{v1}

w_1 = Velocity of the multi-rotor along k^{v1}

Control for Autonomous Flight

$$\dot{\vec{v}} = \frac{\sum F}{m}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{u}_1 \\ \dot{v}_1 \\ \dot{w}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{F}{m} \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) \\ \frac{F}{m} \sin(\phi) \\ -\frac{F}{m} \cos(\theta) \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ g \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U_1(s) = \frac{1}{s} A_1(s)$$

$$V_1(s) = \frac{1}{s} V_1(s)$$

Control for Autonomous Flight

$$U_1(s) = \frac{k_{p_{u_1}}}{(1 + k_{d_{u_1}})s + k_{p_{u_1}}} U_{1c}(s)$$

$$V_1(s) = \frac{k_{p_{v_1}}}{(1 + k_{d_{v_1}})s + k_{p_{v_1}}} V_c(s)$$

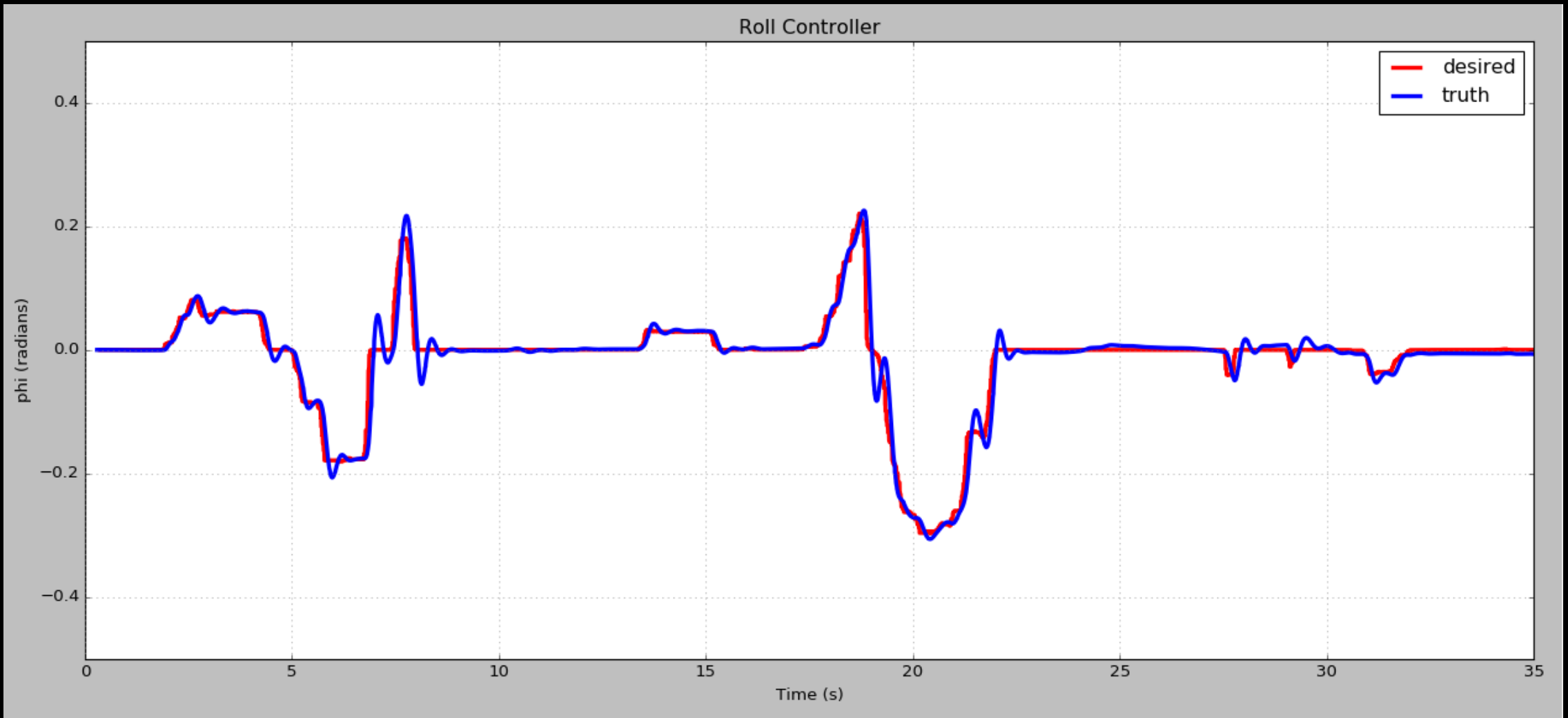
PD controllers output a desired acceleration, model inversion obtains the commanded roll and pitch angles

$$\phi_c = \text{asin}\left(\frac{ma_2}{F}\right)$$

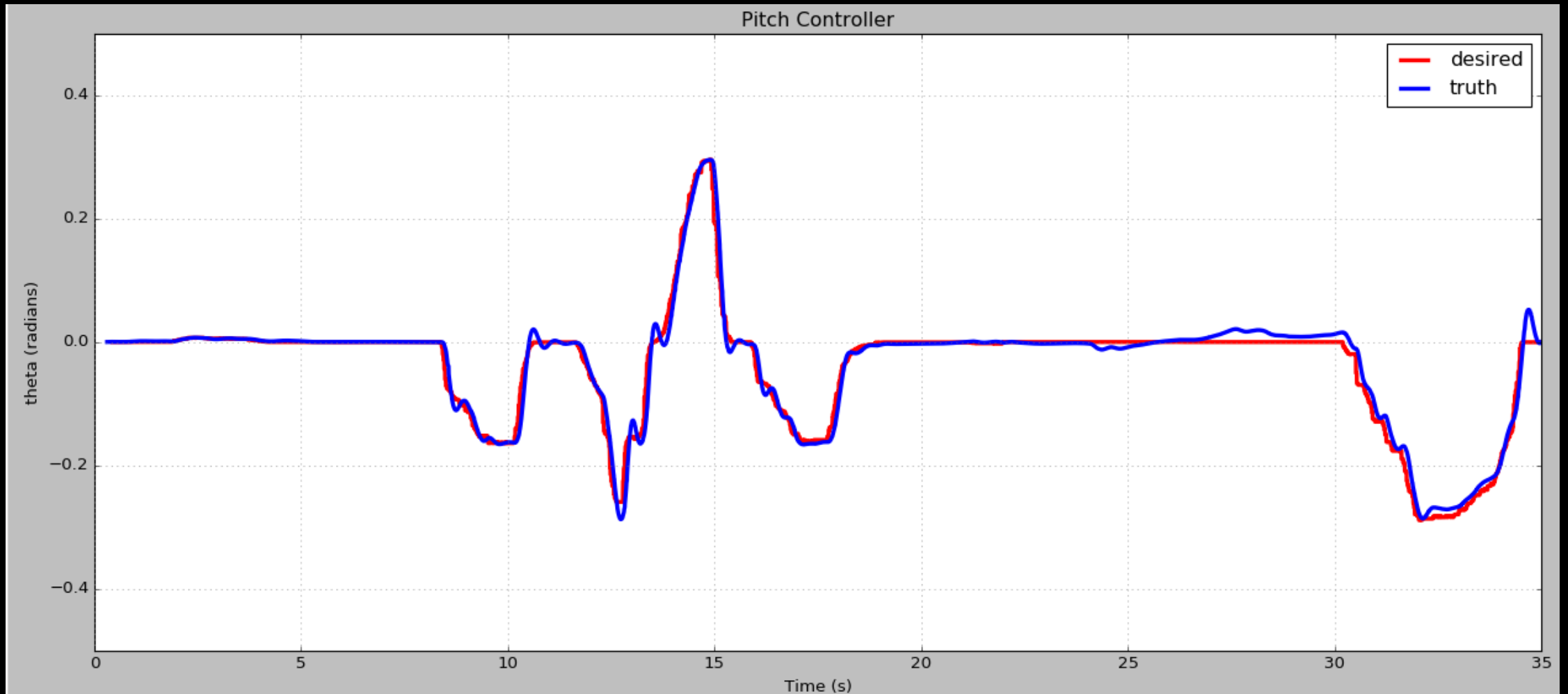
$$\theta_c = \text{asin}\left(-\frac{a_1}{F \cos(\phi_c)}\right)$$

Make sure to saturate a_1 and a_2 correctly

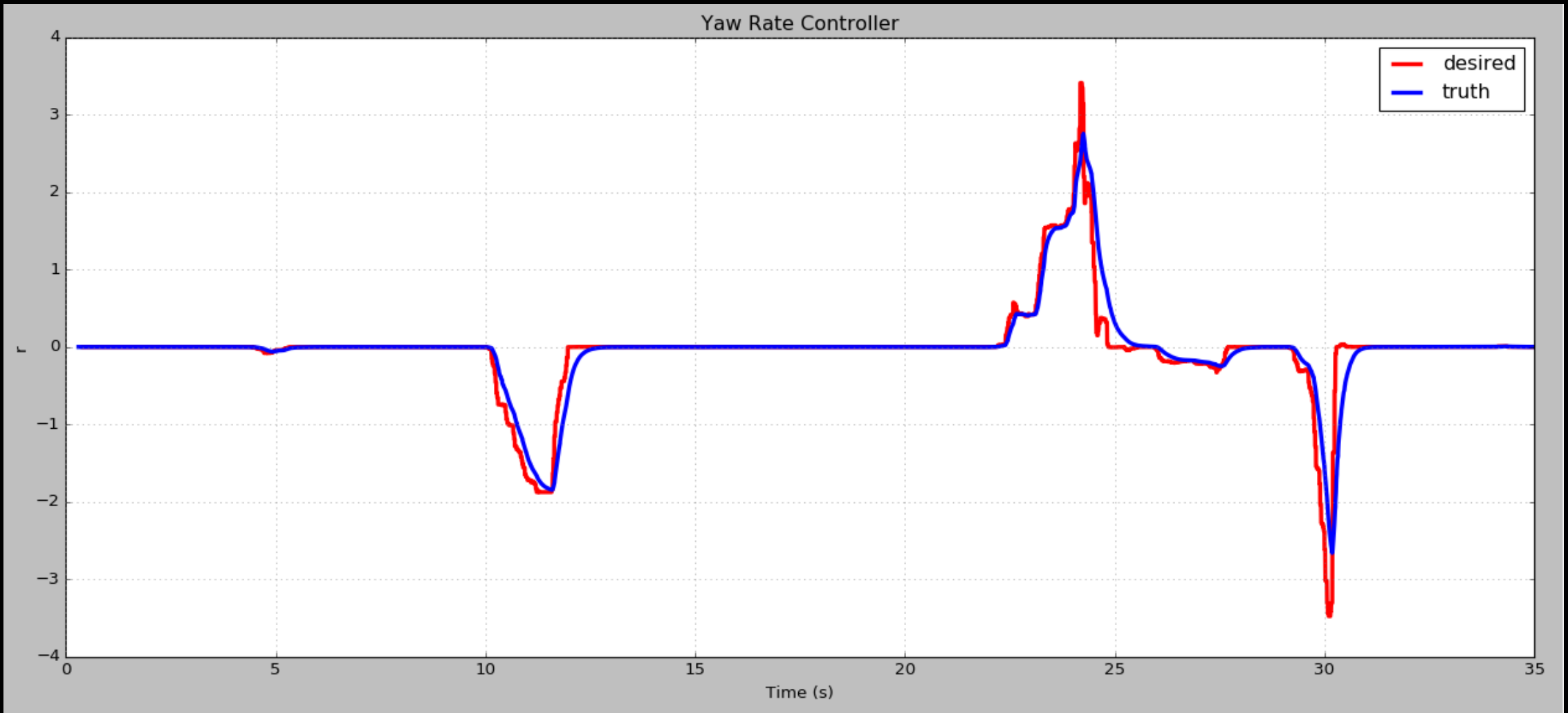
Roll Angle Tracking



Pitch Angle Tracking



Yaw Rate (r) Tracking



Extended Kalman Filter

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \\ u_1 \\ v_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Low pass filter p , q , and r from the gyroscopes. Use the accelerometer and GPS for the measurements.

Extended Kalman Filter

$$a_x = \frac{f_{x,p}}{m} - \sin(\theta)g$$

$$a_y = \frac{f_{y,p}}{m} + \cos(\theta) \sin(\phi)g$$

$$a_z = \frac{f_{z,p}}{m} + \cos(\theta) \cos(\phi)g$$

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} p + \sin(\phi) \tan(\theta) q + \cos(\phi) \tan(\theta) r \\ \cos(\phi) q - \sin(\phi) r \\ \sin(\phi) \sec(\theta) q + \cos(\phi) \sec(\theta) r \\ \cos(\theta) a_x + \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) a_y + \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) a_z \\ \cos(\phi) a_y - \sin(\phi) a_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Extended Kalman Filter

$$\frac{\delta f}{\delta x} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) \tan(\theta) q - \sin(\phi) \tan(\theta) r & \frac{q \sin(\theta) + r \cos(\phi)}{\cos^2(\theta)} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -q \sin(\phi) - r \cos(\phi) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cos(\phi) \sec(\theta) q - \sin(\phi) \sec(\theta) r & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) a_y - \sin(\theta) a_z & (q \sin(\phi) + r \cos(\phi)) \tan(\theta) \sec(\theta) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin(\phi) a_y - \cos(\phi) a_z & -\sin(\theta) a_x + \cos(\theta) \sin(\phi) a_y + \cos(\theta) \cos(\phi) a_z & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

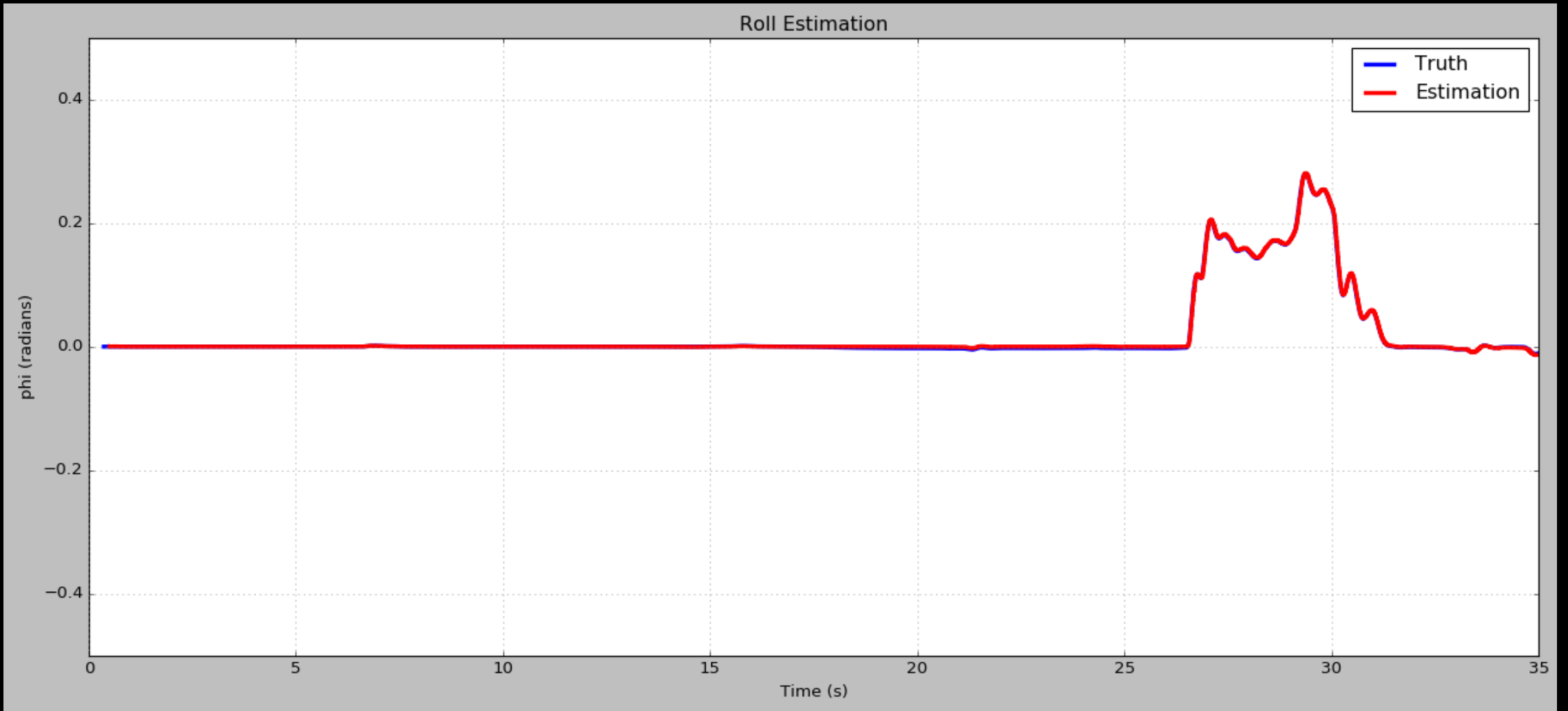
Extended Kalman Filter

$$h = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{f_{x,p}}{m} + \sin(\theta) g \\ \frac{f_{y,p}}{m} - \cos(\theta) \sin(\phi) g \\ \frac{f_{z,p}}{m} - \cos(\theta) \cos(\phi) \\ \sqrt{u_1^2 + v_1^2} \\ \text{atan} \left(\frac{(u_1 \sin(\psi) + v_1 \cos(\psi))}{u_1 \cos(\psi) - v_1 \sin(\psi)} \right) \end{bmatrix}$$

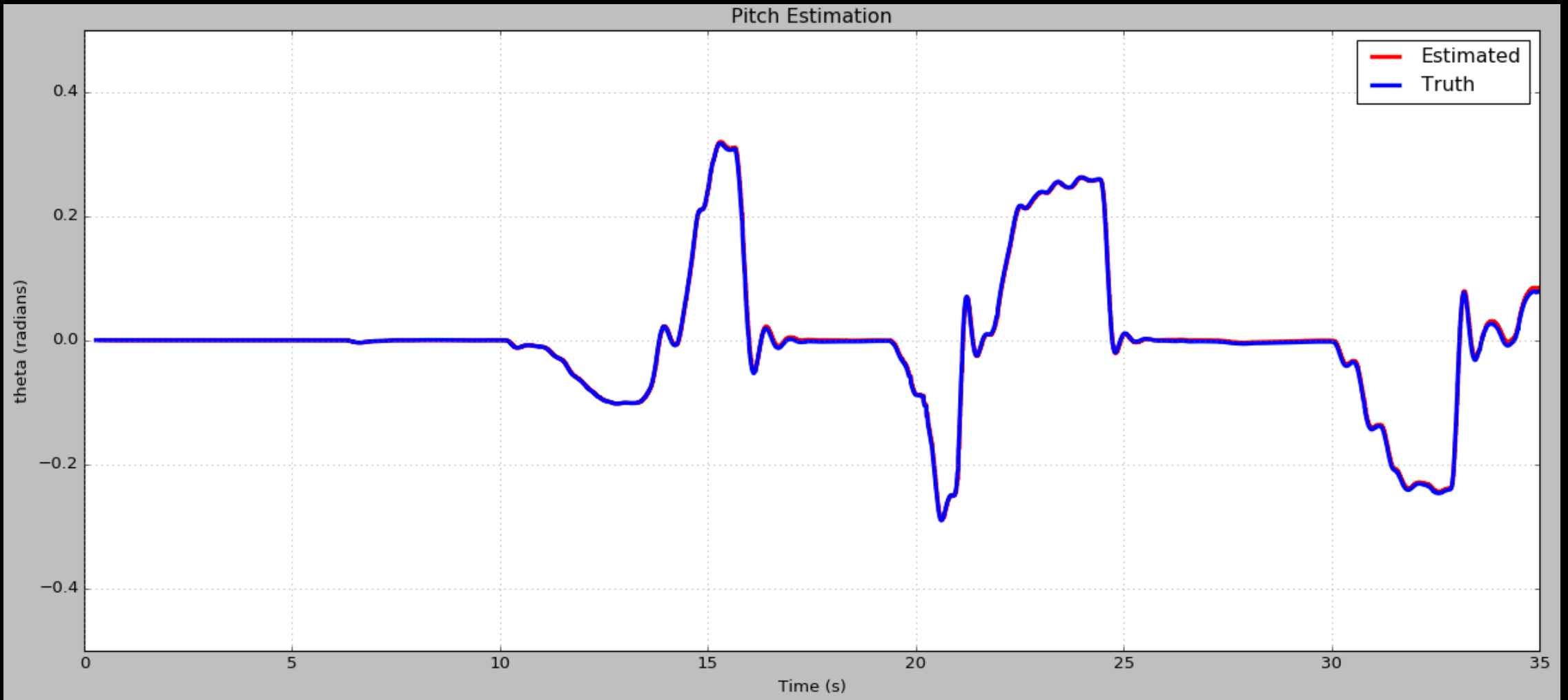
Extended Kalman Filter

$\frac{\delta h}{\delta x}$ = left to the interested reader, or in `kalman_filter.cpp`

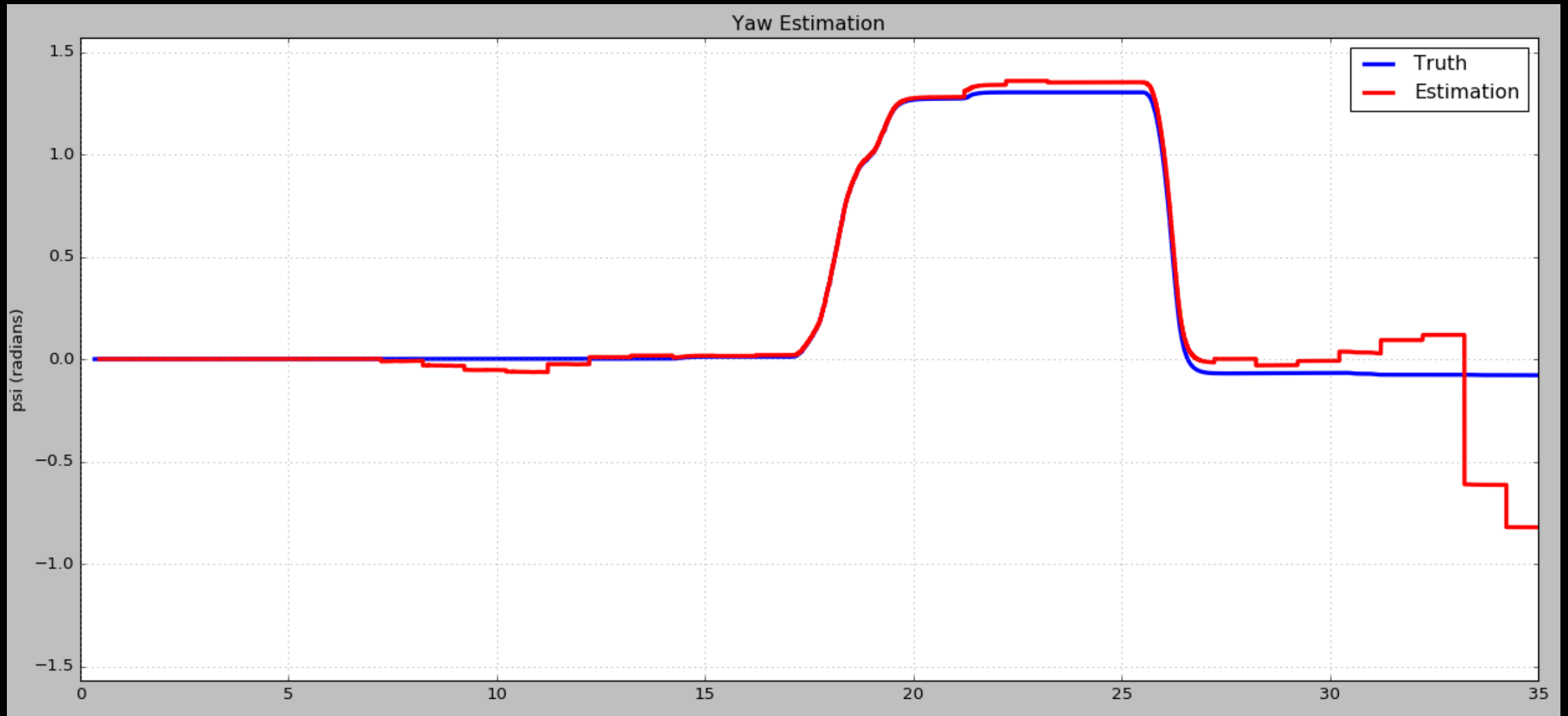
Roll Estimation



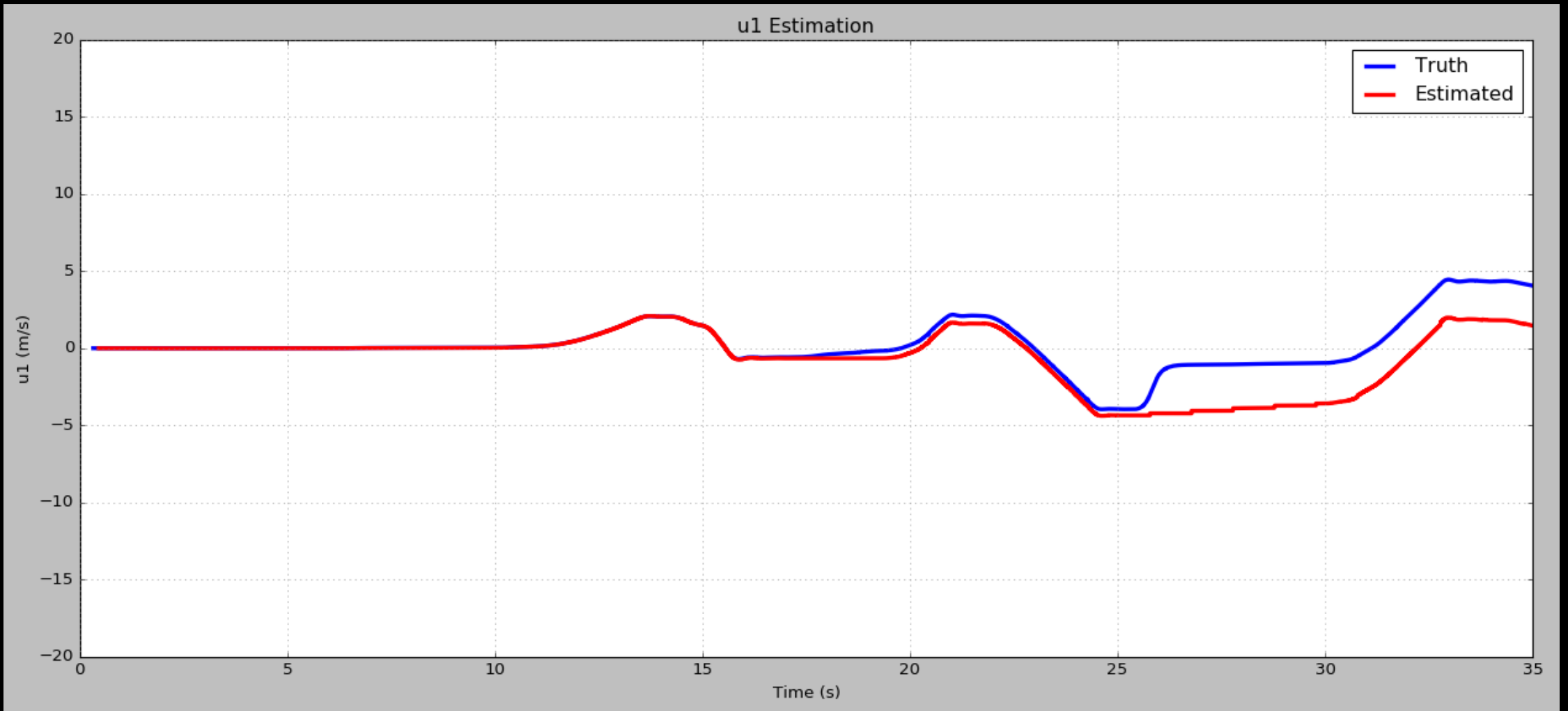
Pitch Estimation



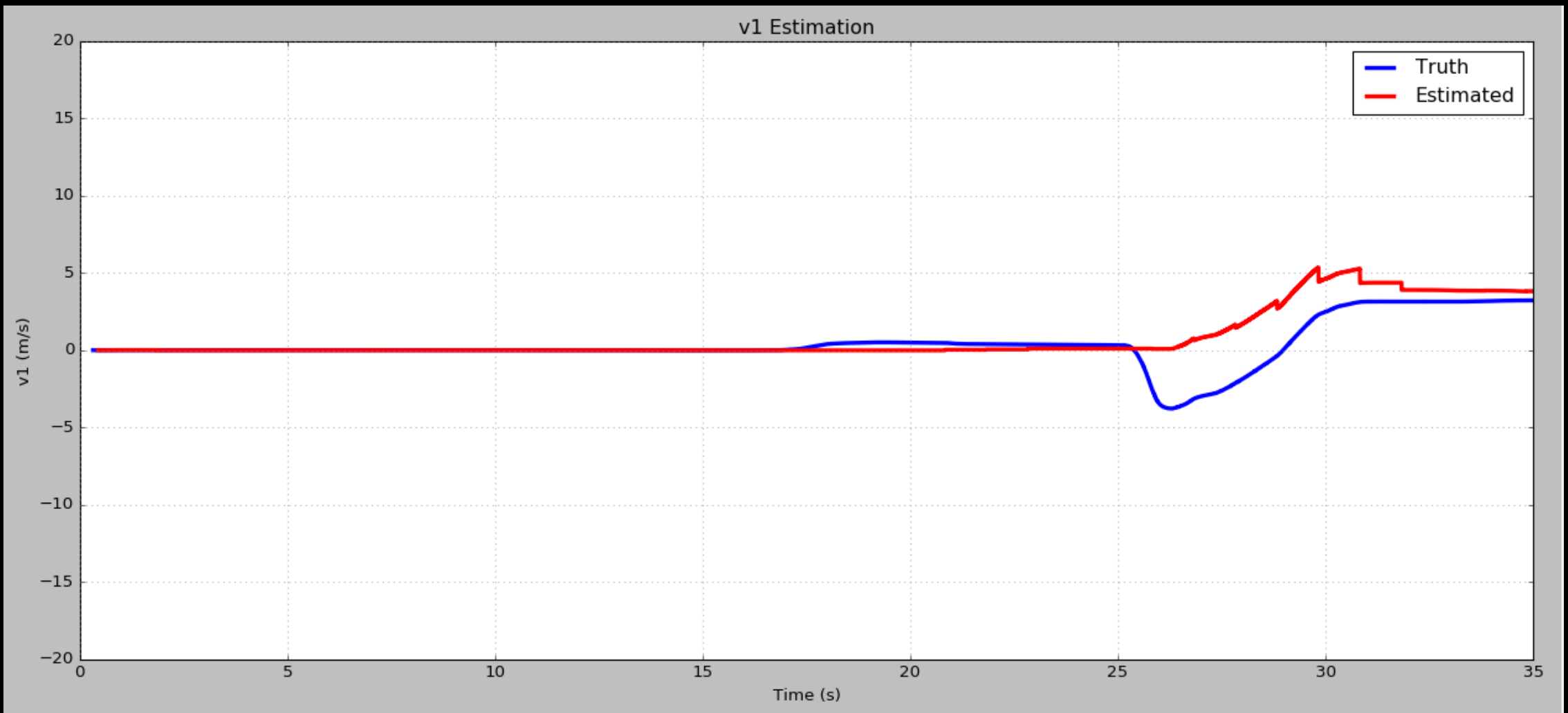
Yaw Estimation



U1 Estimation



V1 Estimation



Other Bells and Whistles

- RC transmitter to commanded states
 - Uses ROSflight to get raw RC PWMs.
 - Channel mapping and PWM to commands (RC rate, expo and super rate)
- Equations of motion are expressed for a full inertia matrix and motors in any orientation or placement
- Flight modes (manual and autonomous)
- GPS to NED and NED to GPS converter (oblate spheroid WGS84 model)
- Multi-rotor CAD model