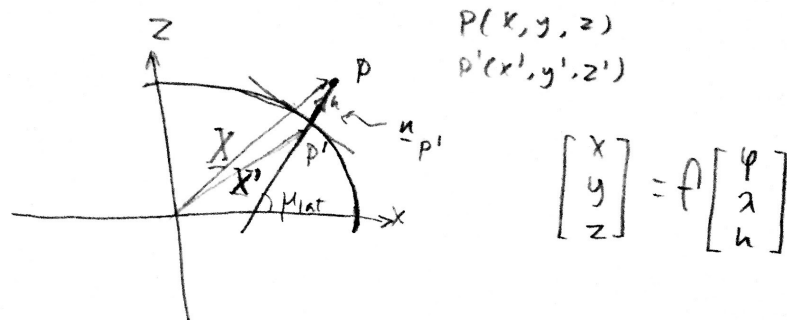


Homework 1 Extra Credit

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$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = f \begin{bmatrix} \varphi \\ \lambda \\ h \end{bmatrix}$$

From ellipsoidal geometry

$$\frac{x^2 + y^2}{a^2} + \frac{z^2}{b^2} = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\underline{X}' = \begin{bmatrix} N \cos \varphi \cos \lambda \\ N \cos \varphi \sin \lambda \\ \frac{b^2}{a^2} N \sin \varphi \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} (2) \\ (3) \\ (4) \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{where } N = a^2 \cdot (a^2 \cos^2 \varphi + b^2 \sin^2 \varphi)^{-0.5} \quad (5)$$

normal radius of curvature.

$$\underline{n}_{P'} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \varphi \cos \lambda \\ \cos \varphi \sin \lambda \\ \sin \varphi \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

Unit vector normal to the ellipsoid surface at P' .

Vector chain

$$\underline{X} = \underline{X}' + h \underline{n}_{P'} \quad (7)$$

Substitute (3), (6)

$$\underline{X} = \begin{bmatrix} (N+h) \cos \varphi \cos \lambda \\ (N+h) \cos \varphi \sin \lambda \\ (\frac{b^2}{a^2} N + h) \sin \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$

Reference: Hofmann-Wellenhof, Bernhard, and Helmut Moritz. Physical geodesy. Springer Science & Business Media, 2006.

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clear variables; close all; clc;

% WGS84
% http://earth-info.nga.mil/GandG/publications/tr8350.2/wgs84fin.pdf
a = 6378137.0; % m
inv_f = 298.257223563;
b = a*(1-1/inv_f); % m

N = @(phi) a^2 * (a^2*cos(phi)^2 + b^2*sin(phi)^2)^(-0.5);

% input in radians and m, output in m
geodesic2ctr = @(lat, long, h) [(N(lat)+h)*cos(lat)*cos(long);
                                (N(lat)+h)*cos(lat)*sin(long);
                                (b^2*N(lat)/a^2+h)*sin(lat)];

sole_ctr = geodesic2ctr(deg2rad(42.271167),deg2rad(-71.807627),0) %
m

sole_ctr =

    1.0e+06 *

    1.4757
   -4.4905
    4.2679
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