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USV Modeling

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I. Introduction

II. BACKGROUND

[Sonnenburg and Woolsey, 2013] examines model for USV with steerable outboard motor (vectored thrust) where sideslip is a major concern. Uses notation from [Fossen, 1994]

III. MANEUVERING MODEL

In this section we follow the notation and process detailed in [Fossen, 2011]. The horiozontal-plane maneuvering model captures is formulated using state vector $\boldsymbol{\nu} = [u, v, r]^T$ where the velocities u, v and r are in the surge, sway and yaw directions respectively. The velocities are considered to be relative to an irrotational constant ocean current.

$$M_{RB}\dot{\nu} + M_A\dot{\nu}_r + C_{RB}(\nu)\nu + C_A(\nu_r)\nu_r + D(\nu_r)\nu_r = \tau + \tau_{wind} + \tau_{waver} \tag{1}$$

where ν_r is the velocity vector relative to an irrotational water current ν_c , i.e., $\nu = \nu_r + \nu_c$. The rigid body kinetics are represented by the rigid body mass M_{RB}

$$\mathbf{M}_{RB} = \begin{bmatrix} m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m & mx_g \\ 0 & mx_g & I_z \end{bmatrix},\tag{2}$$

where m is the mass of the vehicle, I_z is the moment of inertia about the body-centered z-axis and x_g is distance, along the x-axis, from the origin of the body-centered frame to the center of gravity of the vessel, and by the rigid body Coriolis-centripetal matrix,

$$C_{RB}(\nu) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -m(x_g r + v) \\ 0 & 0 & mu \\ m(x_g r + v) & -mu & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
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Noting that $C_{RB}(\nu)$ is skew-symmetric, i.e., $C_{RB}(\nu) = -C_{RB}^T(\nu)$. The hydrodynamic effects are represented by the added mass matrix

$$\mathbf{M}_{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -X_{\dot{u}} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & -Y_{\dot{v}} & -Y_{\dot{r}}\\ 0 & -Y_{\dot{r}} & -N_{\dot{r}} \end{bmatrix}.$$
 (4)

and the Coriolis-centripetal matrix for the added mass

$$C_{A}(\nu_{r}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & Y_{\dot{v}}v_{r} + Y_{\dot{r}}r \\ 0 & 0 & -X_{\dot{u}}u_{r} \\ -Y_{\dot{v}}v_{r} - Y_{\dot{r}}r & X_{\dot{u}}u_{r} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
 (5)

IV. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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