

Stabilisation & Hover Algorithm

MATLAB Code Documentation

List of m-files:

1. **main.m**
 Sets up the physical parameters, initial conditions, and desired conditions.
 Calls the simulation-function.
 Plots the results of the simulation against time. (Linear position & velocity, angular position & velocity, rotor velocities).

2. **simulation.m**
 Unloads the structures.
 Initialises variables for storing data. Variables labelled `_data` are used to store data for each increment.
 The while-loop iterates to run calculations in this sequence:
 - a. Update time-vector.
 - b. Update iteration count.
 - c. Call PID function.
 - d. Call motor-mixing algorithm.
 - e. Calculate forces for each rotor.
 - f. Calculate torques for each rotor.
 - g. Calculate the total thrust.
 - h. Calculate the total torque vector.
 - i. Call Linear Acceleration function.
 - j. Call Angular Acceleration function.
 - k. Use Euler's method to estimate velocity.
 - l. Use Euler's method to estimate position.
 - m. Update data-saving matrices.
 - n. Check termination-conditions.

3. **PID.m**
 PID Controller

4. **motormix.m**
 Converting PID output to rotor velocities.

5. **lin_acc.m**
 Newtonian linear acceleration calculation.

6. **ang_acc.m**

Newtonian angular acceleration calculation.

7. **rotation.m**

Rotation matrix: converts body frame to global frame.

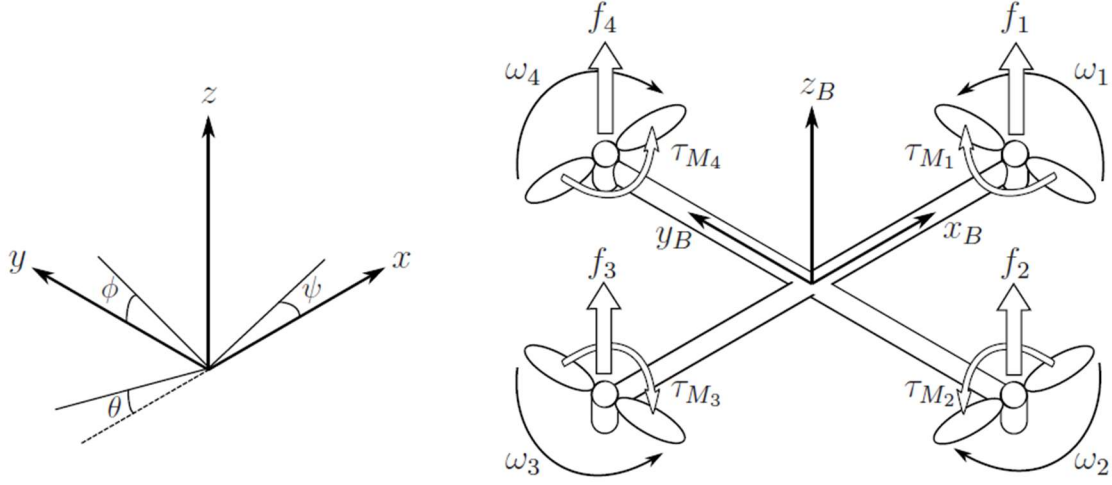
Note: $R^{-1} = R^T$ if the rotation matrix for global frame to body frame.

8. **trans_mat.m**

Transformation matrix for angular velocities from the global frame to the body frame.

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Equations



main.m

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$n = \begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Angles in Global Frame}$$

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Angles in Body Frame}$$

simulation.m

Time & Iteration

$$t_{i+1} = i + dt \quad (1)$$

$$i = i + 1 \quad (2)$$

where, i is the iteration count.

Physical Equations

assuming thrust and torque is proportional to the square of the rotor velocity.

$$f_i = k \cdot \omega_i^2 \quad (3)$$

$$\tau_{Mi} = b \cdot \omega_i^2 + I_M \cdot \omega_i \approx b \cdot \omega_i^2 \quad (4)$$

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^4 f_i \quad (5)$$

$$T_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ T \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$\tau_B = \begin{bmatrix} l.k.(-\omega_2^2 + \omega_4^2) \\ l.k.(-\omega_1^2 + \omega_3^2) \\ \tau_{M1} - \tau_{M2} + \tau_{M3} - \tau_{M4} \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

where, i is the number of rotor, per figure.

Euler's Increment

$$\dot{n} = \dot{n} + \ddot{n}.dt \quad (8)$$

$$n = n + \dot{n}.dt \quad (9)$$

$$\dot{x} = \dot{x} + \ddot{x}.dt \quad (10)$$

$$x = x + \dot{x}.dt \quad (11)$$

PID.m

Error Calculation

$$L(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \phi \\ \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L_e = L_c - L_d \quad (12)$$

Numerical Integration using Trapezoid Method

$$L_e I = \sum_{k=0}^{t-dt} \frac{L_e(k) + L_e(k + dt)}{2} . dt \quad (13)$$

$$L_e D = \frac{L_e(t_i) - L_e(t_{i-1})}{dt} \quad (14)$$

Control Law

$$u = K_p . L_e + K_d . L_e D + K_i . L_e I \quad (15)$$

where, u is a 6×1 vector of the forces and torques to be applied to the aircraft in the global frame.

motormix.m

Rotation Matrix: Body to Global Frame,

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} C_\psi C_\theta & C_\psi S_\theta S_\phi - S_\psi C_\phi & C_\psi S_\theta C_\phi + S_\psi S_\phi \\ S_\psi C_\theta & S_\psi S_\theta S_\phi + C_\psi C_\phi & S_\psi S_\theta C_\phi - C_\psi S_\phi \\ -S_\theta & C_\theta S_\phi & C_\theta C_\phi \end{bmatrix} \quad (16)$$

where, $C_x = \cos(x)$ and $S_x = \sin(x)$.

Rotation Matrix: Global to Body Frame,

$$R = R' \quad (16a)$$

Accounting for Gravitational Force,

$$u = u - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ m.g \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_x \\ F_y \\ F_z \\ \tau_\phi \\ \tau_\theta \\ \tau_\psi \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ m.g \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (17)$$

Converting u to local frame,

$$u_L = \begin{bmatrix} R & z \\ z & R \end{bmatrix} \cdot u \quad (18)$$

$$u_L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ L_f \\ t_\phi \\ t_\theta \\ t_\psi \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving for rotor velocity squares using linear systems,

from equations (6) & (7),

$$\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2 + \omega_3^2 + \omega_4^2 = \frac{L_f}{k}$$

$$\omega_1^2 - \omega_2^2 + \omega_3^2 - \omega_4^2 = \frac{t_z}{b}$$

$$-\omega_2^2 + \omega_4^2 = \frac{t_x}{l.k}$$

$$-\omega_1^2 + \omega_3^2 = \frac{t_y}{l.k}$$

therefore,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \vec{\omega}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{L_f}{k} \\ \frac{t_z}{b} \\ \frac{t_x}{l \cdot k} \\ \frac{t_y}{l \cdot k} \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

where,

$$\vec{\omega}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 \\ \omega_2^2 \\ \omega_3^2 \\ \omega_4^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

lin_acc.m

Linear Acceleration in Global Frame,

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = m\mathbf{g} + \mathbf{R}\mathbf{T}_B + \mathbf{A}\dot{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \\ \ddot{z} \end{bmatrix} = -g \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{m} \cdot \mathbf{R} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ T \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{m} \begin{bmatrix} Ax & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Ay & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Az \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

where, R is the rotation matrix: body frame to global frame.

Ax , Ay , and Az are drag coefficients of drag for velocity.

ang_ang.m

Transformation matrix for angular velocities from the global frame to the body frame,

$$W_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -S_\theta \\ 0 & C_\phi & C_\theta S_\phi \\ 0 & -S_\phi & C_\theta S_\phi \end{bmatrix} \quad (21)$$

where, $C_x = \cos(x)$ and $S_x = \sin(x)$.

such that,

$$\mathbf{v} = W_n \cdot \dot{\mathbf{n}} \quad (22)$$

Gyroscopic effects,

$$\omega_\Gamma = \omega_1 - \omega_2 + \omega_3 - \omega_4 \quad (23)$$

External torque,

$$\tau = \mathbf{I}\dot{\mathbf{v}} + \mathbf{v} \times (\mathbf{I}\mathbf{v}) + \Gamma$$

where, $\mathbf{I}\dot{\mathbf{v}} \rightarrow$ acceleration of the inertia

$\mathbf{v} \times (\mathbf{I}\mathbf{v}) \rightarrow$ centripetal forces

$\Gamma \rightarrow$ gyroscopic forces

$\mathbf{I} \rightarrow$ moment of inertia matrix

Angular velocity in body frame,

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{q} \\ \dot{r} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{I}^{-1} \left(- \begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} \cdot p \\ I_{yy} \cdot q \\ I_{zz} \cdot r \end{bmatrix} - I_r \begin{bmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \omega_\Gamma + \tau \right) \quad (24)$$

Angular acceleration in global frame,

$$\ddot{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{W}_n^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = \frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{W}_n^{-1}) \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{W}_n^{-1} \dot{\mathbf{v}}$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{n}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dot{\phi} C_\phi T_\theta + \frac{\dot{\theta} S_\phi}{C_\theta^2} & -\dot{\phi} S_\phi C_\theta + \frac{\dot{\theta} C_\phi}{C_\theta^2} \\ 0 & -\dot{\phi} S_\phi & -\dot{\phi} C_\phi \\ 0 & \frac{\dot{\phi} C_\phi}{C_\theta} + \frac{\dot{\phi} S_\phi T_\theta}{C_\theta} & -\frac{\dot{\phi} S_\phi}{C_\theta} + \frac{\dot{\theta} C_\phi T_\theta}{C_\theta} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{W}_n^{-1} \dot{\mathbf{v}} \quad (25)$$

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