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## Abstrakt / Abstract

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# **Chapter 1**

## **Introduction**

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### **1.1 Section 1**

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# **Chapter 2**

## **Indoor localization methods**

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### **2.1 Section 1**

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# Chapter 3

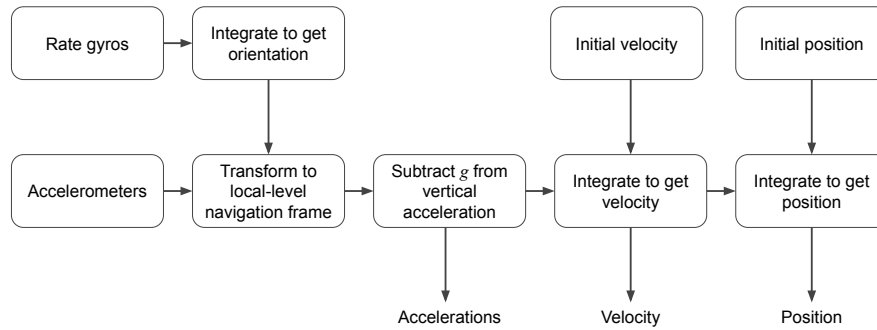
## Sensors

In chapter 3 the overview of used sensors and their properties is given. The main aim is to describe an ultra-wideband technology(UWB), an inertial measurement unit (IMU) and an odometry.

### 3.1 Inertial measurement unit

An inertial measurement unit (IMU) is a device that utilizes measurement systems such as gyroscopes and accelerometers to estimate the relative position, velocity and acceleration of a vehicle in motion[1]. The sensor is typically integrated with an on-board computational unit and could contain more sensors as a magnetometer or thermometer.

The gyroscopes measure changes its angular velocities and accelerometers a specific forces, which can be easily transformed into linear accelerations[1]. The IMU typically contains three orthogonal accelerometers and three orthogonal gyroscopes. Because of that, it can measure angular velocities and specific force in each axis to maintain a 6-DOF estimate of the pose of the vehicle (position  $(x, y, z)$  and orientation  $(roll, pitch, yaw)$ ). The process of the computation can be seen in the figure 3.1.



**Figure 3.1.** IMU block diagram [1]

There are two basic inertial navigation systems (also called mechanization architectures)[1][2] how the IMU is mounted to a vehicle.

- In **gimbaled systems**, the IMU is attached to a stabilized platform that maintains its inertial orientation as the vehicle manoeuvres.
- In **strap-down systems**, it is rigidly attached to the vehicle.

The mechanization determines which navigation equations are used during the estimation of linear accelerations and angular velocities of the vehicle.

IMU's are extremely sensitive to measurement errors given by properties of used gyroscopes, accelerometers and their mounting. As the data are once or twice integrated, any error in measurement causes a linear or quadratic error in the pose estimation. Even with a small measurement error, over time, the IMU's drift becomes significant,

and it needs to be externally compensated. The IMU's provides a short-term stable solution because gyroscopes and accelerations have relatively low noise characteristics in a short period of time, and it has a high data rate (100 Hz - 200 Hz).

### ■ 3.1.1 Accelerometers

Accelerometers can measure external forces acting on the vehicle. They measure a specific force relatively to a non-rotating inertial space in a specific direction. They are sensitive to all forces including gravity and fictitious forces[1]. These forces need to be compensated during transformation to local-level navigation frame which is not inertial.

**Mechanical accelerometers** have a mass spinning steadily with respect to a free movable axis, they are not used a lot anymore, but they can be found in very old submarines.

**Microelectromechanical systems based accelerometers (MEMS)** TODO

### ■ 3.1.2 Gyroscopes

Gyroscopes are used for estimating a rotational motion of a body, each gyroscope measures angular rate  $\omega$  (inertial angular rotation) relatively to a non-rotating inertial space in one axis. There are basically three main categories of gyroscopes[1].

**Mechanical gyroscopes** have a mass spinning steadily with respect to a free movable axis, they are not used a lot anymore, but they can be found in very old submarines.

**Optical gyroscopes** are based on the Sagnac effect, which states that frequency/phase shift between two waves counter-propagating in a rotating ring interferometer is proportional to the loop angular velocity. As a light source, the laser is typically used. Currently, this technology gives the best performance. Examples can be ring laser gyroscopes (RLG) or fibre optic gyroscopes (FOG).

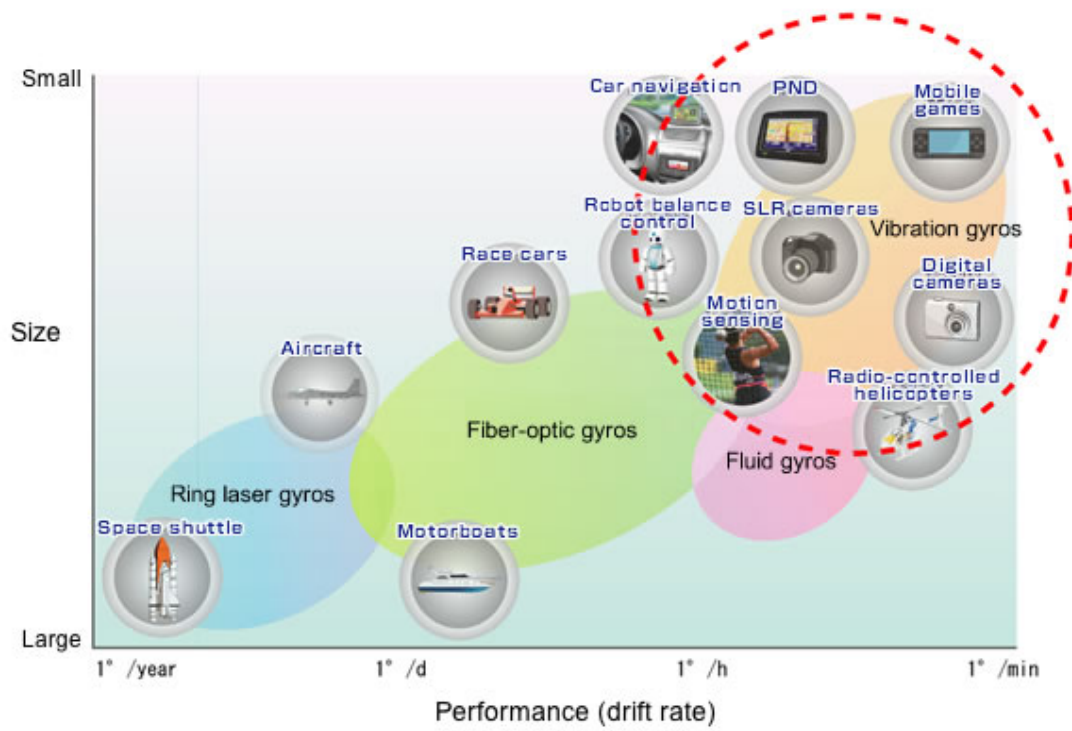
**Vibrating gyroscopes** are based on the Coriolis effect that induces a coupling between two resonant modes of a mechanical resonator. Example can be MEMS sensors[3], these are typically the cheapest, and they can be found basically everywhere, for example, in every mobile device. As MEMS gyroscopes have no rotating parts, have low power consumption requirements, and are small, they replaced others in robotics applications.

The performance and application of each technology is perfectly demonstrated in figure 3.2.

### ■ 3.1.3 Allan variance analysis

### ■ 3.1.4 Error characteristics of IMU

### ■ 3.1.5 Grades of IMUs



**Figure 3.2.** Gyroscopes technology plotted by size and performance.[4]



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# Appendix **A**

## Abbreviations and symbols

### A.1 A list of abbreviations

All abbreviations used in this thesis are listed below.

AVAR	Allan variance analysis.
DOF	Degrees of freedom.
IMU	Inertial measurement unit.
MEMS	Microelectromechanical systems.
UWB	Ultra-wideband.

### A.2 A list of symbols

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