6.2 UAS Model and Control

The key feature of *Movement Automaton* is to interface *continuous-control signal* as the *discrete command chain*. Following topics are introduced in this section:

1. *UAS Nonlinear Model* (sec. 6.2.1) - simple plane model used in this work as *controlled plant*.

2. *Movement Automaton* (sec. 6.2.2) - movement automaton for *UAS Nonlinear Model* constructed from scratch.

3. *Segmented Movement Automaton* (sec. 6.2.3) - for more complex systems the *State Space* can be *separated into Segments* and *segment movement automaton* is used to generate *thick reference trajectory*.

4. *Reference Trajectory Generator* (sec. 6.2.4) - other use of *Movement Automaton* as predictor for *reference trajectory calculation*.

6.2.1 UAS Nonlinear Model

Motivation: Simplified rigid body kinematic model will be used. This model have decoupled roll, yaw and pitch angles. The focus is on *reach set approximation methods*, therefore *UAS model* is simplified.

State Vector (eq. 6.1) defined as positional state in euclidean position in right-hand euclidean space, where *x, y, z* can be abstracted as latitude, longitude, altitude.

$$state = [x, y, z, roll, pitch, yaw]^T \tag{6.1}$$

Input Vector (eq. 6.2) is defined as linear velocity of UAS v and angular speed of rigid body $\omega_{roll}, \omega_{pitch}, \omega_{yaw}$.

$$input = [v, \omega_{roll}, \omega_{pitch}, \omega_{yaw}]^T \tag{6.2}$$

Velocity distribution function (eq. 6.3) is is defined trough standard rotation matrix and linear velocity v, oriented velocity [v_x, v_y, v_z] given by (eq. 6.4).

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v\cos(pitch)\cos(yaw) \\ v\cos(pitch)\sin(yaw) \\ -v\sin(pitch) \end{bmatrix} \tag{6.3}$$

UAS Nonlinear Model (eq. 6.4) is given by *first order equations:*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial x}{\partial time} &= v\cos(pitch)\cos(yaw); & \frac{\partial roll}{\partial time} &= \omega_{roll}; \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial time} &= v\cos(pitch)\sin(yaw); & \frac{\partial pitch}{\partial time} &= \omega_{pitch}; \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial time} &= -v\sin(pitch); & \frac{\partial yaw}{\partial time} &= \omega_{yaw}; \end{aligned} \tag{6.4}$$

6.2.2 Movement Automaton for UAS Model

Motivation: An *UAS Nonlinear Model* (eq. 6.4) can be modeled by *Movement Automaton* (def. **??**).

Movement Primitives by (def. **??**) are given as (eq. **??**). To define primitives the *minimal time* is $1s$. The *maximal duration* is also $1s$.

Assumption 1. *Let assume that* transition time *of* roll, pitch, yaw, linear velocity *is* $0s$.

Under the assumption (as. 1) the *movement transitions* (def. **??**) have 0 duration.

Note. The assumption (as. 1) can be relaxed under condition that *path tracking controller exists.*

Movements (def. **??**) for *fixed step* k we start with discretization of the input variables. The *linear velocity* in text step is given:

$$v(k+1) = v(k) + \delta v(k) \tag{6.5}$$

The *roll, pitch, yaw* for next step are given

$$\begin{aligned} roll(k+1) &= roll(k) + \delta roll(k) \\ pitch(k+1) &= pitch(k) + \delta pitch(k) \\ yaw(k+1) &= yaw(k) + \delta yaw(k) \end{aligned} \tag{6.6}$$

The $\delta v(k)$ is *velocity change*, $\delta roll(k)$, $\delta pitch(k)$, $\delta yaw(k)$, are *orientation changes* for current discrete step k. If the duration of *transition* is $0s$ (as. 1) then 3D trajectory evolution in discrete time is given as:

$$\begin{aligned} x(k+1) &= x(k) + v(k+1)\cos(pitch(k+1))\cos(yaw(k+1)) &&= \delta x(k) \\ y(k+1) &= y(k) + v(k+1)\cos(pitch(k+1))\sin(yaw(k+1)) &&= \delta y(k) \\ z(k+1) &= z(k) - v(k+1)\sin(pitch(k+1)) &&= \delta z(k) \\ time(k+1) &= time(k) + 1 &&= \delta time(k) \end{aligned} \tag{6.7}$$

The $\delta x(k)$, $\delta y(k)$, $\delta z(k)$ are positional differences depending on *input vector* for given discrete time k:

$$input(k) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta x(k), \delta y(k), \delta z(k), \delta v(k), \\ \delta roll(k), \delta pitch(k), \delta yaw(k), \delta time(k) \end{bmatrix}^T \tag{6.8}$$

The *state vector* for discrete time is given:

$$state(k) = \begin{bmatrix} x(k), y(k), z(k), v(k), \\ roll(k), pitch(k), yaw(k), time(k) \end{bmatrix}^T \tag{6.9}$$

The nonlinear model (eq. 6.4) is then reduced to *linear discrete model* (eq. 6.10) given by *apply movements* function (eq. 6.5, 6.6, 6.7).

$$state(k+1) = applyMovement(state(k), input(k)) \tag{6.10}$$

Movement Set for linear discrete model (eq. 6.10) is defined as set of extreme unitary movements on main axes (tab. 6.1) and diagonal axes (tab. 6.2).

$input(movement)$	Straight	Down	Up	Left	Right
$\delta x(k)[m]$	1.00	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98
$\delta y(k)[m]$	0	0	0	0.13	-0.13
$\delta z(k)[m]$	0	-0.13	0.13	0	0
$\delta roll(k)[°]$	0	0	0	0	0
$\delta pitch(k)[°]$	0	15°	-15°	0	0
$\delta yaw(k)[°]$	0	0	0	15°	-15°

Table 6.1: Input values for main axes movements.

$input(movement)$	Down-Left	Down-Right	Up-Left	Up-Right
$\delta x(k)[m]$	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76
$\delta y(k)[m]$	-0.13	0.13	0.13	-0.13
$\delta z(k)[m]$	-0.13	-0.13	0.13	0.13
$\delta roll(k)[°]$	0	0	0	0
$\delta pitch(k)[°]$	-15°	-15°	15°	15°
$\delta yaw(k)[°]$	15°	-15°	15°	-15°

Table 6.2: Input values for diagonal axes movements.

Note. Movement set in shorten form is given as

$$MovementSet = \left\{ \begin{matrix} Straight, Left, Right, Up, Down, \\ DownLeft, DownRight, UpLeft, UpRight \end{matrix} \right\} \tag{6.11}$$

Trajectory by (def. **??**) for initial time $time = 0$, initial state $state(0)$ and *Movement Buffer* (from def. **??**):

$$Buffer \in MovementSet^{*}(eq.6.11), \quad |Buffer| \in \mathbb{N} \tag{6.12}$$

Trajectory (eq. 6.13) is then given as the time-series of discrete states:

$$Trajectory(state(0), Buffer) = \left\{ \begin{matrix} state(0) + \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} input(movement(j)) : \\ i \in \{1 \dots |Buffer| + 1\}, \\ movement(\cdot) \in Buffer \end{matrix} \right\} \tag{6.13}$$

Trajectory (eq. 6.13) is ordered set of states bounded to discrete time $0 \dots n$, where n is member count of *Buffer*. Trajectory set has $n + 1$ members:

$$\begin{aligned} &Trajectory(state(0), Buffer) = \\ &\left\{ \begin{aligned} state(0) &= state(0) + \{\} \\ state(1) &= state(0) + input(movement(1)) \\ state(2) &= state(0) + input(movement(1)) + input(movement(2)) \\ \vdots &= \vdots \\ state(n) &= state(0) + input(movement(1)) + \dots + input(movement(n)) \end{aligned} \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{6.14}$$

State Projection (eq. 6.15) for the *Trajectory* (eq. 6.13) is given as follow:

$$StateProjection(Trajectory, time) = Trajectory.getMemberByIndex(time + 1) \tag{6.15}$$

Note. Movement Automaton for system (eq. 6.4) with given (as. 1) is established with all related properties (sec. **??**).

6.2.3 Segmented Movement Automaton

Motivation: Constructing *Movement Automaton* for more complex system can be tedious. Used *Movement Automaton* for *UAS system* (6.4) has decoupled control which is not true for most of the copters/planes [1].

Partitioning UAS State Space: Proposed movement automaton is defined by its Movement set (tab. 6.1,6.2). Those can be scaled depending on maneuverability in the *Initial state* $state(0)$:

1. *Climb/Descent Rate* $\delta pitch_{max}(k)$ - the maximal climb or descent rate for Up/Down movements.

2. *Turn Rate* $\delta yaw_{max}(k)$ - the maximal turn rate for Left/Right movement.

3. *Acceleration* $\delta v_{max}(k)$ - the maximal acceleration in cruising speed range.

Definition 1. *State Space partition* Maneuverability *is depending on* Initial State. *There can not be the infinite count of* Movement Automatons.

The state space $StateSpace \in \mathbb{R}^n$ *can be separated into two exclusive subsets:*

$$StateSpace = [ImpactStates, NonImpactingStates] \tag{6.16}$$

The Impacting states *are states which bounds the* Maneuverability*:* $\delta pitch_{max}(k)$, $\delta yaw_{max}(k)$, $\delta v_{max}(k)$. *For each* impact state *is possible to define upper and lower boundary:*

$$\forall impactState \in ImpactStates, \exists :$$
$$lower(impactState) \leq value(impactState) \leq upper(impactState) \tag{6.17}$$

The bounded interval of impact state can be separated into distinctive impact state segments *like follow:*

$$impactState \in [lower, upper] :$$
$$\{[lower, separator_1[\cdots \cup \ldots [separator_i, separator_{i+1}[\cdots \cup \ldots$$
$$\cdots \cup \ldots [separator_n, upper]\} =$$
$$= impactStateIntervals(impactState) \tag{6.18}$$

Note. The interval length depends on model dynamics. The rule of thumb is to keep maximal climb/descend/turn/acceleration rates near constant value.

When partitioning of all impact States *finishes, the count of partitions is given as product of* count of partitions *for each member of* Impact States*:*

$$partitionCount = \prod_{impactState \in}^{ImpactStates} |impactStateIntervals(impactState)| \tag{6.19}$$

Note. Try to keep the count of partitions to minimum, each new interval increases the count of partitions geometrically.

There is finite number n *of* Impacting States*, these are separated into* $impactState-Intervals_i$ *with respective index* $i \in 1 \dots n$*. The* segment *with index defining position used* impacting state *intervals is given as* constrained space*:*

$$Segment(index) = \begin{bmatrix} impactState_1 \in impactStateIntervals_1[index_1], \\ \vdots \\ impactState_n \in impactStateIntervals_n[index_n], \\ \vdots \\ NonImpactingStates \end{bmatrix} \tag{6.20}$$

Each Segment *covers one of impacting state intervals combination, because the original intervals are exclusive, also* Segments *are exclusive. The* union *of all segments covers* State Space*:*

$$StateSpace = \bigcup_{\forall \quad index \in |impactStateIntervals|^n} Segment(index) \tag{6.21}$$

Segmented Movement Automaton: The segmentation of *state space* is done in (def. 1) any *state* belongs exactly to *Segment* of *State Space*. For each *Segment* in *State Space*it is possible to assess: *Climb/Descent Rate* $\delta pitch_{max}(k)$, *Turn Rate* $\delta yaw_{max}(k)$, and, *Acceleration* $\delta v_{max}(k)$.

Definition 2. *Movement Automaton for Segment(index)*
For for Model(eq. 6.10) with State (eq. 6.9) the input vector (eq. 6.8) is for position $[x, y, z]$ *and velocity defined like:*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta x(k) &= (v(k) + \delta v(k)) \cos(\delta pitch(k)) \cos(\delta yaw(k)) \\ \delta y(k) &= (v(k) + \delta v(k)) \cos(\delta pitch(k)) \sin(\delta yaw(k)) \\ \delta z(k) &= -(v(k) + \delta v(k)) \cos(\delta pitch(k)) \\ \delta v(k) &\in [-\delta v(k)_{max}, \delta v(k)_{max}] \end{aligned} \tag{6.22}$$

The acceleration $\delta v(k)$ is in interval $[-\delta v(k)_{max}, \delta v(k)_{max}]$, usually set to $0\ ms^{-1}$. The change of the orientation angles for *Movement Set* (eq. 6.11) is given in (tab. 6.3,6.4).

$input(movement)$	Straight	Down	Up	Left	Right
$\delta roll(k)[^\circ]$	0	0	0	0	0
$\delta pitch(k)[^\circ]$	0	$\delta pitch_{max}$	-$\delta pitch_{max}$	0	0
$\delta yaw(k)[^\circ]$	0	0	0	δyaw_{max}	-δyaw_{max}

Table 6.3: Orientation input values for main axes movements.

$input(movement)$	Down-Left	Down-Right	Up-Left	Up-Right
$\delta roll(k)[^\circ]$	0	0	0	0
$\delta pitch(k)[^\circ]$	-$\delta pitch_{max}$	-$\delta pitch_{max}$	$\delta pitch_{max}$	$\delta pitch_{max}$
$\delta yaw(k)[^\circ]$	δyaw_{max}	-δyaw_{max}	δyaw_{max}	-δyaw_{max}

Table 6.4: Orientation input values for diagonal axes movements.

Note. The *Trajectory* is calculated same as in (eq. 6.13). The *State Projection* is given as in (eq. 6.15).

Then the *Movement Automaton* for *Segment* $\in$ *State Space* is defined.

Definition 3. *Segmented Movement Automaton For system with segmented state space (eq. 6.21) there is for each state(k) in StateSpace injection function:*

$$ActiveMovementAutomaton : StateSpace \rightarrow MovementAutomaton \tag{6.23}$$

Selecting appropriate movement automaton *implementation (def. 2) for* state(k) $\in$ Segment $\subset$ State Space. *The mapping function (eq. 6.23) is injection mapping every state(k) to Segment then* Movement Automaton Implementation. *The trajectory generated is then given:*

$$Trajectory\begin{pmatrix} state(0), \\ Buffer \end{pmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} state(0) + \dots \\ \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} ActiveMovementAutomaton(state(j-1)). \\ .input(movement(j)) \\ i \in \{1 \dots |Buffer| + 1\}, \\ movement(\cdot) \in Buffer \end{array} : \right\} \tag{6.24}$$

6.2.4 Reference Trajectory Generator

Reference Trajectory Generator: Segmented Movement Automaton (def. 3) with *trajectory function* (eq. 6.24) is used as *reference trajectory generator* for *complex systems*.

There is assumption that precise *path tracking* implementation exist for such system which with *thick reference trajectory* gives similar results to *plain movement automaton control*.

The *Reference trajectory* (eq. 6.25) for *Planned* movement set is given as projection of *Trajectory* time series to position time series $[x, y, z, t]$:

$$ReferenceTrajectory : Trajectory \begin{pmatrix} state(now), \\ Planned \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_{ref} \in \mathbb{R}^{|Planned|} \\ y_{ref} \in \mathbb{R}^{|Planned|} \\ z_{ref} \in \mathbb{R}^{|Planned|} \\ t_{ref} \in \mathbb{R}^{|Planned|} \end{bmatrix} \tag{6.25}$$

Predictor: The *Reference Trajectory Generator* (eq. 6.25) can be also used as predictor.

Note. The *Segmented Movement Automaton* (def. 3) is used in this work with one Segment equal to State space with input function given by (6.1, 6.2). The predictor used in *Reach set computation* is given by (eq. 6.25).

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