

Continuous time IMU dynamics are

$$\dot{\mathbf{R}} = \mathbf{R} (\dot{\mathbf{i}}\omega - \mathbf{b}\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{n}_w)_{\times}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{n}_g, \quad \dot{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{n}_a$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{R} (\dot{\mathbf{i}}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{n}_a) + \mathbf{g}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{V}.$$

Deterministic nominal dynamics:

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{R}}} = \hat{\mathbf{R}} (\dot{\mathbf{i}}\omega - \hat{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{g})_{\times}$$

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} = \hat{\mathbf{R}} (\dot{\mathbf{i}}\mathbf{a} - \hat{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{g}$$

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{b}}}\mathbf{g} = 0 \quad \dot{\hat{\mathbf{b}}}\mathbf{a} = 0$$

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{P}}} = \hat{\mathbf{V}}$$

Stochastic error dynamics:

$$\dot{\mathbf{I}}\theta = -(\dot{\mathbf{i}}\omega - \hat{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{g})_{\times} \mathbf{I}\theta - (\tilde{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{g} + \mathbf{n}_w)$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{I}}\tilde{\mathbf{v}} = -\mathbf{I}\hat{\mathbf{R}} (\dot{\mathbf{i}}\mathbf{a} - \hat{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{a})_{\times} \mathbf{I}\theta - \mathbf{I}\hat{\mathbf{R}} (\tilde{\mathbf{b}}\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{n}_a)$$

$$\dot{\tilde{\mathbf{P}}} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}$$

$$\dot{\tilde{\mathbf{b}}}\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{n}_g, \quad \dot{\tilde{\mathbf{b}}}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{n}_a$$

Ref:

Quaternion kinematics for the error-state kalman filter.

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\tilde{v}} &= \dot{v} - \dot{\hat{v}} \\ &= R(a - b - n) - \hat{R}(\hat{a} - \hat{b}) \\ &\approx \hat{R}(I + \theta_x)(a - b - n) - \hat{R}(\hat{a} - \hat{b}) \\ &= \hat{R}a - \hat{R}b - \hat{R}n + \hat{R}\theta_x a - \hat{R}\theta_x b - \hat{R}\theta_x n - \hat{R}\hat{a} + \hat{R}\hat{b} \\ &= \hat{R}\theta_x(a - b) + \hat{R}\tilde{a} - \hat{R}\tilde{b} - \hat{R}\tilde{n} \quad \tilde{a} = a - \hat{a} = 0 \\ &= -\hat{R}(a - b)_x \theta - \hat{R}(\tilde{b} + n) \quad \text{since } a = \hat{a}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} = R(w - b - n)_x$$

$$(\dot{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R}) = R(w - b - n)_x$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R} + \tilde{R} \dot{\tilde{R}} = R(w - b - n)_x$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} + \hat{R}^T \dot{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R} = \hat{R}^T (\tilde{R} \tilde{R}) (w - b - n)_x$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} + \hat{R}^T \hat{R} (w - \hat{b})_x \tilde{R} = \tilde{R} (w - b - n)_x$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} = -(w - \hat{b})_x \tilde{R} + \tilde{R} (w - b - n)_x$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} = \tilde{R} (w - b - n)_x \tilde{R}^T \tilde{R} - (w - \hat{b})_x \tilde{R}$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} = [\tilde{R} (w - b - n)]_x \tilde{R} - (w - \hat{b}) \tilde{R}$$

v                  - - -                  x

$$(Rv)_x = Rv_x R^T$$

$$\dot{\tilde{R}} = \left\{ [\tilde{R}(w-b-n)]_x - (w-\hat{b})_x \right\} \tilde{R}$$

$$\dot{\theta}_x = (w-b-n + \theta_x w - \theta_x b - \theta_x n - w - \hat{b})_x (I + \theta_x)$$

$$\dot{\theta}_x = (-\tilde{b} - n + \theta_x w - \theta_x b)_x (I + \theta_x)$$

$$\dot{\theta}_x = (-\tilde{b} - n + \theta_x w - \theta_x b)_x$$

$$\dot{\theta} = -(w-b)_x \theta - (\tilde{b} + n)$$

Proposition 4. The nominal dynamics can be integrated in

closed-form to obtain the predicted mean  $\hat{x}_{k+1}^P$ :

$${}_I \hat{R}_{k+1}^P = {}_I \hat{R}_k \exp(T_k(iw_k - \hat{b}g_{,k}))$$

$${}_I \hat{V}_{k+1}^P = {}_I \hat{V}_k + g T_k + {}_I \hat{R}_k J_L (T_k(iw_k - \hat{b}g_{,k})) (i\hat{a}_k - \hat{b}a_{,k}) T_k$$

$${}_I \hat{P}_{k+1}^P = {}_I \hat{P}_k + {}_I \hat{V}_k T_k + g \frac{T_k^2}{2} + {}_I \hat{R}_k H_L (T_k(iw_k - \hat{b}g_{,k})) (i\hat{a}_k - \hat{b}a_{,k}) T_k^2$$

$$\hat{b}g_{,k+1} = \hat{b}g_{,k}$$

$$\hat{b}a_{,k+1} = \hat{b}a_{,k}$$

$${}_I \hat{T}_k^P = \begin{bmatrix} {}_I \hat{R}_k & {}_I \hat{P}_k \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$${}_I \hat{T}_{k-1}^P = {}_I \hat{T}_{k-1}, \dots, {}_I \hat{T}_{k-n+1}^P = {}_I \hat{T}_{k-n+1}$$

$J_L(w) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} I_3 + \frac{w_x}{2!} + \frac{w_x^2}{3!} + \dots$  is left jacobian of  $SO(3)$ .

$$H_L(w) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \frac{I_3}{2!} + \frac{w_x}{3!} + \dots$$

Both  $J_L(w), H_L(w)$  has closed-form (Rodrigues) expressions:

$$J_L(w) = I_3 + \frac{1 - \cos\|w\|}{\|w\|^2} w_x + \frac{\|w\| - \sin\|w\|}{\|w\|^3} w_x^2$$

$$H_L(w) = \frac{1}{2} I_3 + \frac{\|w\| - \sin\|w\|}{\|w\|^3} w_x + \frac{2[\cos\|w\| - 1] + \|w\|^2}{2\|w\|^4} w_x^2$$

Proof:

Lemma 3:

$w \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $J_L(w) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_x^n}{(n+1)!}$ ,  $H_L(w) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_x^n}{(n+2)!}$ .  $J_L, H_L$  have closed form expression as above.

Proof:

$$w_x^{2n+1} = (-1)^n \|w\|^{2n} w_x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore J_L(w) &= I_3 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{w_x^n}{(n+1)!} \\ &= I_3 + \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \|w\|^{2n}}{(2n+2)!} \right) w_x + \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \|w\|^{2n}}{(2n+3)!} \right) w_x^2 \\ &= I_3 + \left( \frac{1 - \cos\|w\|}{\|w\|^2} \right) w_x + \left( \frac{\|w\| - \sin\|w\|}{\|w\|^3} \right) w_x^2 \end{aligned}$$

More details:

let  $w = \phi a$ ,  $\phi = \|w\|$ ,  $a = \frac{w}{\phi}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (\phi a_x)^n &= I_3 + \frac{\phi a_x}{2!} + \frac{\phi^2 a_x^2}{3!} + \frac{\phi^3 a_x^3}{4!} + \dots \\
&= I_3 + \frac{\phi}{2!} a_x + \frac{\phi^2}{3!} a_x^2 + \frac{\phi^3}{4!} (-a_x) + \frac{\phi^4}{5!} (-a_x a_x) + \frac{\phi^5}{6!} a_x + \dots \\
&= I_3 + \left( \frac{\phi}{2!} - \frac{\phi^3}{4!} + \frac{\phi^5}{6!} - \dots \right) a_x + \left( \frac{\phi^2}{3!} - \frac{\phi^4}{5!} + \frac{\phi^6}{7!} - \dots \right) a_x a_x
\end{aligned}$$

where we use  $a_x a_x a_x = -a_x$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\because \cos \phi &= 1 - \frac{\phi^2}{2!} + \frac{\phi^4}{4!} - \frac{\phi^6}{6!} + \frac{\phi^8}{8!} - \dots \\
\sin \phi &= \phi - \frac{\phi^3}{3!} + \frac{\phi^5}{5!} - \frac{\phi^7}{7!} + \frac{\phi^9}{9!} - \dots \\
\therefore \frac{\phi}{2!} - \frac{\phi^3}{4!} + \frac{\phi^5}{6!} - \dots &= \frac{1}{\phi} \left( \frac{\phi^2}{2!} - \frac{\phi^4}{4!} + \frac{\phi^6}{6!} - \dots \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\phi} (1 - \cos \phi) \\
\frac{\phi^2}{3!} - \frac{\phi^4}{5!} + \frac{\phi^6}{7!} - \dots &= \frac{1}{\phi} \left( \frac{\phi^3}{3!} - \frac{\phi^5}{5!} + \frac{\phi^7}{7!} - \dots \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\phi} (\phi - \sin \phi)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
a_x &= \frac{w_x}{\phi} \\
\therefore \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_x^n}{(n+1)!} &= I_3 + \frac{1 - \cos \|w\|}{\|w\|^2} w_x + \frac{\|w\| - \sin \|w\|}{\|w\|^3} w_x^2
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.

For  $w \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , the matrix  $\exp(tw_x)$  satisfies

$$\int_0^t \int_0^s \exp(rw_x) dr ds = \int_0^t s J_L(s w) ds$$

$$= t^2 H_c(tw)$$

Proof: The result follows by integrating the terms of Taylor series of

$$\exp(tw_x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n w_x^n}{n!}$$

To predict the mean, we compute the solutions to the nominal dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned} w &= i_w k - \hat{b} g_{ik}, \quad t \in [0, \tau_k] \\ \downarrow \quad \dot{i}_R &= \hat{i}_R w_x, \quad i_R(0) = \hat{i}_R k. \\ \text{Solution: } \hat{i}_R(t) &= \hat{i}_R k \exp(tw_k) \\ \therefore \hat{i}_R^{kp} &= \hat{i}_R(\tau_k) = \hat{i}_R k \exp(\tau_k(i_w k - \hat{b} g_{ik})_x). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= i_a - \hat{b} a, \quad t \in [0, \tau_k] \\ \downarrow \quad \dot{i}_V &= \hat{i}_V a + q, \quad i_V(0) = \hat{i}_V k. \\ \text{Solution: } \hat{i}_V(t) &= \hat{i}_V k + \int_0^t (\hat{i}_V(s) a + q) ds \\ &= \hat{i}_V k + t \hat{i}_R k J_L(tw) a + tq. \quad \text{Lemma 4} \\ \therefore \hat{i}_V^{kp} &= \hat{i}_V(\tau_k). \end{aligned}$$

More details:

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_I\hat{V}_{t+T}^P &= {}_I\hat{V}_t + \int_t^{t+T} {}_I\dot{\hat{V}}_s ds \\
 &= {}_I\hat{V}_t + \int_t^{t+T} {}_I\hat{R}_s (\hat{a} - \hat{b}_s) ds + \int_t^{t+T} g_s ds \\
 &= {}_I\hat{V}_t + g_T + \int_t^{t+T} {}_I\hat{R}_s (\hat{a} - \hat{b}_s) ds \\
 &= {}_I\hat{V}_t + g_T + \int_t^{t+T} {}_I\hat{R}_s ds (\hat{a} - \hat{b}_s) \\
 \int_t^{t+T} {}_I\hat{R}_s ds &= {}_I\hat{R}_t \int_t^{t+T} \exp(s(\hat{w}_t - \hat{b}_{g,t})) ds \\
 &= R \int_t^{t+T} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (s(\hat{w} - b)_s)^n ds \\
 &= R \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int_t^{t+T} (s(\hat{w} - b)_s)^n ds \\
 &= R \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} T^{n+1} ((\hat{w} - b)_s)^n \\
 &= R T \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (T(\hat{w} - b)_s)^n \\
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (T(\hat{w}_t - \hat{b}_{g,t}))^n &= J_L(T(\hat{w}_t - \hat{b}_{g,t}))
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 4, for  $t \in [0, T_k]$ ,  ${}_I\hat{P}(0) = {}_I\hat{P}_k$ ,  ${}_I\dot{\hat{P}} = {}_I\dot{\hat{V}}$ .

Solution is:

$${}_I\hat{P}(t) = {}_I\hat{P}(0) + \int_0^t {}_I\dot{\hat{V}}(s) ds$$

$$= {}_I \hat{P}_k + t {}_I \hat{V}_k + t^2 {}_I \hat{R}_k H_L(tw) a + \frac{t^2}{2} g.$$

$$\therefore {}_I \hat{P}_{k+1}^P = {}_I \hat{P}(T_k).$$

More details:

$$\begin{aligned} {}_I \hat{P}_{t+1}^P &= {}_I \hat{P}_t + \int_t^{t+\tau} {}_I \hat{P}_t ds \\ &= P + \int_t^{t+\tau} v + gs + R J_L(s(w-b)) (a-b) s ds \end{aligned}$$

We need to show

$$\int_t^{t+\tau} J_L(s(w-b)) s ds = \tau^2 H_L(\tau(w-b)) \quad (\#)$$

Let  $w' = ({}^I w_t - {}^b g_{t,t})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\#) &= \int_t^{t+\tau} J_L(s(w-b)) s ds \\ &= \int_t^{t+\tau} \left( I_3 + \frac{sw'_x}{2!} + \frac{(sw'_x)^2}{3!} + \dots \right) s ds \\ &= \int_t^{t+\tau} \left( sI_3 + \frac{s^2 w'_x}{2!} + \frac{s^3 w'^2_x}{3!} + \dots \right) ds \\ &= \frac{\tau^2}{2} I_3 + \frac{\tau^3 w'_x}{3 \times 2!} + \frac{\tau^4 w'^2_x}{4 \times 3!} + \dots \\ &= \tau^2 \left[ \frac{I_3}{2} + \frac{\tau w'_x}{3!} + \frac{\tau^2 w'^2_x}{4!} + \dots \right] \\ &= \tau^2 H_L(\tau(w-b)) \end{aligned}$$

For the closed form of  $H_L$ . Let  $w = \tau(\hat{w}_t - \hat{g}_{t,t})$ ,  $w = \phi a$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{I_3}{2!} + \frac{wx}{3!} + \frac{w_x^2}{4!} + \dots \\
&= \frac{I_3}{2} + \frac{\phi a_x}{3!} + \frac{(\phi a_x)^2}{4!} + \frac{(\phi a_x)^3}{5!} + \frac{(\phi a_x)^4}{6!} + \dots \\
&= \frac{I_3}{2} + \frac{\phi a_x}{3!} + \frac{(\phi a_x)^2}{4!} - \frac{\phi^3}{5!} a_x - \frac{\phi^4}{6!} a_x^2 + \dots \\
&= \frac{I_3}{2} + \left( \frac{\phi}{3!} - \frac{\phi^3}{5!} + \dots \right) a_x + \left( \frac{\phi^2}{4!} - \frac{\phi^4}{6!} + \dots \right) a_x^2 \\
\therefore \frac{\phi}{3!} - \frac{\phi^3}{5!} + \frac{\phi^5}{7!} - \dots &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \left( \frac{\phi^3}{3!} - \frac{\phi^5}{5!} + \frac{\phi^7}{7!} - \dots \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\phi^2} (\phi - \sin \phi) \\
\therefore \left( \frac{\phi}{3!} - \frac{\phi^3}{5!} + \frac{\phi^5}{7!} - \dots \right) a_x &= \frac{1}{\phi^3} (\phi - \sin \phi) w_x \\
\therefore \frac{\phi^2}{4!} - \frac{\phi^4}{6!} + \frac{\phi^6}{8!} - \dots &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \left( \frac{\phi^4}{4!} - \frac{\phi^6}{6!} + \frac{\phi^8}{8!} - \dots \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \left( -\frac{\phi^2}{2!} + \frac{\phi^4}{4!} - \frac{\phi^6}{6!} + \frac{\phi^8}{8!} - \dots + \frac{\phi^2}{2!} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2\phi^2} (2(\cos \phi - 1) + \phi^2) \\
\therefore \left( \frac{\phi^2}{4!} - \frac{\phi^4}{6!} + \frac{\phi^6}{8!} - \dots \right) a_x^2 &= \frac{1}{2\phi^4} (2(\cos \phi - 1) + \phi^2) w_x^2 \\
\Rightarrow H_L(w) &= \frac{1}{2} I_3 + \frac{\|w\| - \sin \|w\|}{\|w\|^3} w_x + \frac{2(\cos \|w\| - 1) + \|w\|^2}{2\|w\|^4} w_x^2
\end{aligned}$$

To compute the predicted covariance  $\Sigma_{k+1}^P$ , we need to integrate the error dynamics. The IMU error state  $\tilde{x}(t)$  satisfies a linear time variant (LTV) stochastic differential equation (SDE)

for  $t \in [0, \tau_k]$ :

$$_I\dot{\tilde{x}} = F(x)_I\tilde{x} + _In, \quad _I\tilde{x}(0) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, _I\Sigma_k)$$

$_In$  is white Gaussian noise with PSD

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_w^2 I_3 & & & & \\ & \sigma_a^2 I_3 & & & \\ & & 0 & & \\ & & & \sigma_g^2 I_3 & \\ & & & & \sigma_a^2 I_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $F(t)$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} -(w - b)_x & 0 & 0 & -I & 0 \\ -R(t)(a - b)_x & 0 & 0 & 0 & -R(t) \\ 0 & I & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\hat{R}(t) = \hat{R}_k \exp(t(iw_k - bg_k)_x)$

$\because \mathbb{E}[_I\tilde{x}(t)]$  is 0 over  $[0, \tau_k]$ , covariance of  $_I\tilde{x}(\tau_k)$  is

$$_I\Sigma_{k+1}^P = \mathbb{E}[_I\tilde{x}(\tau_k) _I\tilde{x}(\tau_k)^T]$$

$$= \bar{\Phi}(T_k, 0) I \sum_k \bar{\Phi}(T_k, 0)^T + \int_0^{T_k} \bar{\Phi}(T_k, s) Q \bar{\Phi}(T_k, s)^T ds,$$

where  $\bar{\Phi}(t, s)$  is the transition matrix of  $\dot{x}^i = F(t) x^i + n$ .

Proposition 5. The LTV SDE has a closed form transition matrix:

$$\bar{\Phi}(t, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} \exp(-tw\omega) & 0 & 0 & -tJ_L(-tw) & 0 \\ \bar{\Phi}_{v0}(t) & I_3 & 0 & \bar{\Phi}_{v0}(t) & \bar{\Phi}_{va}(t) \\ \bar{\Phi}_{p0}(t) & tI_3 & I_3 & \bar{\Phi}_{pw}(t) & \bar{\Phi}_{pa}(t) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & I_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\omega = i\omega_k - \hat{b}_{g,k}$ ,  $a = i\hat{a}_k - \hat{b}_{a,k}$

Proof: The transition matrix  $\bar{\Phi}(t, 0)$  can be determined by computing the solution

$$x^i(t) = \bar{\Phi}(t, 0) x^i(0)$$

to the homogeneous system

$$\dot{x}^i = F(t) x^i$$

for initial condition.

$$\tilde{I}\tilde{X}(0) = (I\theta(0), I\tilde{V}(0), I\tilde{P}(0), \tilde{bg}(0), \tilde{ba}(0))$$

The bias terms remain constant in the homogeneous system:

$$\tilde{bg}(t) = \tilde{bg}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ I_3 \ 0] \tilde{I}\tilde{X}(0)$$

$$\tilde{ba}(t) = \tilde{ba}(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ I_3] \tilde{I}\tilde{X}(0).$$

Next, consider  $\dot{I}\theta(t) = -\omega_x I\theta(t) - \tilde{bg}(t)$  with  $\omega = i\omega_k - \hat{bg}_{ik}$

which is a LTI system in  $I\theta(t)$ . Using  $\tilde{bg}(t) = \tilde{bg}(0) + \text{Lema 4}$ .

the system has solution:

$$\begin{aligned} I\theta(t) &= \exp(-tw_x) I\theta(0) - \int_0^t \exp(-(t-s)\omega_x) ds \tilde{bg}(0) \\ &= [\exp(-tw_x) \ 0 \ 0 \ -tJ_L(-tw) \ 0] \tilde{I}\tilde{X}(0) \end{aligned}$$

Next, consider  $\dot{I}\tilde{V}(t) = -I\tilde{R}(t) a_x I\theta(t) - I\tilde{R}(t) \tilde{ba}(t)$  with

$a = i\tilde{a}_k - \tilde{ba}_{ik}$ , which is an LTI system in  $I\tilde{V}(t)$ . Using

$\tilde{ba}(t) = \tilde{ba}(0)$ , the LTI system has solution:

$$I\tilde{V}(t) = I\tilde{V}(0) - \int_0^t I\tilde{R}(s) a_x I\theta(s) ds - \int_0^t I\tilde{R}(s) ds \tilde{ba}(0)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{V\theta}(t) & I_3 & 0 & \Phi_{Vw}(t) & \Phi_{Va}(t) \end{bmatrix}_{I\tilde{X}(0)}$$

$$\Phi_{V\theta}(t) = - \int_0^t \hat{R}(s) a_x \exp(-sw_x) ds$$

$$\Phi_{Vw}(t) = \int_0^t s \hat{R}(s) a_x J_L(-sw) ds$$

$$\Phi_{Va}(t) = - \int_0^t \hat{R}(s) ds = - t \hat{R} J_L(tw).$$

$\Phi_{V\theta}(t)$  Proof:

We use

$$1. \text{ the solution to } {}_I\dot{\hat{R}} = {}_I\hat{R} w_x, {}_I\hat{R}(0) = {}_I\hat{R}_k.$$

$$2. R a_x R^T = [Ra]_x$$

3. Lemm 4.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Phi_{V\theta}(t) &= - {}_I\hat{R}_k \int_0^t \exp(sw_x) a_x \exp(sw_x)^T ds \\ &= - R \left[ \int_0^t \exp(sw_x) ds a \right]_x \\ &= - t R [J_L(tw)a]_x. \end{aligned}$$

$\Phi_{Vw}$  Proof:

$$\because w_x^3 = - \|w\|^2 w_x$$

$$\therefore I_3 - \frac{w_x}{\|w\|^2} (\exp(w_x) - I_3 - w_x) = J_L(w).$$

We can also split  $\Phi_{vw}$  into two parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{vw}(t) &= R \int_0^t s \exp(sw_x) ds A_x \left( I_3 + \frac{w_x^2}{\|w\|^2} \right) \\ &\quad + R \int_0^t \exp(sw_x) \frac{A_x w_x}{\|w\|^2} (\exp(sw_x)^T - I_3) ds\end{aligned}$$

By integrating the terms of the Taylor series of  $s \exp(sw_x)$ , and using  $w_x^3 = -\|w\|^2 w_x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^t s \exp(sw_x) ds &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^{n+2} w_x^n}{(n+2) n!} \\ &= \frac{-1}{\|w\|^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^{n+2} w_x^{n+2}}{(n+2) n!} \\ &= \frac{1}{\|w\|^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{t^{n+2} w_x^{n+2}}{(n+2)!} - \frac{t^{n+2} w_x^{n+2}}{(n+1)!} \right) \\ &= \frac{\Delta(t)}{\|w\|^2}\end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta(t) = (\exp(tw_x)(I_3 - tw_x) - I_3)$ .

(See more details in a separate PDF in this blog).

The second integral can be computed using

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_x w_x = w a^T - (a^T w) I_3 \\ \exp(Sw_x) a = w \\ \exp(Sw_x) \exp(Sw_x)^T = I_3 \end{array} \right.$$

Lemma 4

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \bar{\Phi}_{vw}(t) &= R \Delta(t) \frac{\alpha_x}{\|w\|^2} \left( I_3 + \frac{w_x^2}{\|w\|^2} \right) \\ &\quad + t R \frac{w a^T}{\|w\|^2} (J_L(-tw) - I) \\ &\quad + t R \frac{a^T w}{\|w\|^2} (J_L(tw) - I_3). \end{aligned}$$

$\bar{\Phi}_{va}$  Proof:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Solution to } \dot{\hat{R}} = \hat{I} \hat{R} w_x \quad \hat{I} \hat{R}(0) = \hat{I} \hat{R}_k \\ \text{Lemma 4} \end{array} \right.$$

Finally, consider  $\dot{\tilde{P}}(t) = \tilde{I} \tilde{V}(t)$ , which is an LTI system in  $\tilde{P}(t)$ , with solution

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{P}}(t) &= \tilde{\mathbf{P}}(0) + \int_0^t \tilde{\mathbf{V}}(s) ds \\ &= [\bar{\Phi}_{p\theta}(t) + I_3 \quad I_3 \quad \bar{\Phi}_{pw}(t) \quad \bar{\Phi}_{pa}(t)] \tilde{\mathbf{x}}(0).\end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\Phi}_{p\theta}(t) = \int_0^t \bar{\Phi}_{v\theta}(s) ds = -t^2 \hat{R} [H_L(tw) a].$$

$$\bar{\Phi}_{pw}(t) = \int_0^t \bar{\Phi}_{vw}(s) ds$$

$$\bar{\Phi}_{pa}(t) = \int_0^t \bar{\Phi}_{ra}(s) ds = -t^2 \hat{R} H_L(tw)$$

$\bar{\Phi}_{p\theta}, \bar{\Phi}_{pa}$  follow from Lemma 4.

$\bar{\Phi}_{pw}$  Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^t \Delta(s) ds &= \int_0^t \exp(sw_x) ds - \int_0^t s \exp(sw_x) ds w_x - tI_3 \\ &= tJ_L(tw) - \frac{w_x \Delta(t)}{\|w\|^2} - tI_3\end{aligned}$$

More details:

Quaternion kinematics for the error-state kalman filter.

Appendix B.

Consider  $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = A \cdot \mathbf{x}(t)$ .

assume the relation is linear and **constant** over the interval.

$[t_n, t_n + \Delta t]$ ,

$$\Rightarrow X_{n+1} = e^{A\Delta t} X_n = \Phi X_n.$$

$\Phi$  is transition matrix.

Taylor expansion of  $\Phi$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= e^{A \cdot \Delta t} = I + A \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} A^2 \Delta t^2 + \frac{1}{3!} A^3 \Delta t^3 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} A^k \Delta t^k\end{aligned}$$

### B1. Integration of angular error

Consider the angular error dynamics without bias and noise:

$$\dot{\delta\theta} = -[\omega]_x \delta\theta.$$

$$\Phi = e^{-[\omega]_x \Delta t} = I - [\omega]_x \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} [\omega]_x^2 \Delta t^2 - \frac{1}{3!} [\omega]_x^3 \Delta t^3 + \frac{1}{4!} [\omega]_x^4 \Delta t^4 \dots$$

define  $\omega \Delta t \triangleq u \Delta\theta$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= I - [u]_x \Delta\theta + \frac{1}{2} [u]_x^2 \Delta\theta^2 - \frac{1}{3!} [u]_x^3 \Delta\theta^3 + \frac{1}{4!} [u]_x^4 \Delta\theta^4 - \dots \\ &= I - [u]_x \left( \Delta\theta - \frac{\Delta\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\Delta\theta^5}{5!} - \dots \right) + [u]_x^2 \left( \frac{\Delta\theta^2}{2!} - \frac{\Delta\theta^4}{4!} + \frac{\Delta\theta^6}{6!} - \dots \right) \\ &= I - [u]_x \sin \Delta\theta + [u]_x^2 (1 - \cos \Delta\theta).\end{aligned}$$

B2. Simplified IMU example.

Error state dynamics:

$$\dot{\delta p} = \delta v$$

$$\dot{\delta v} = -R[\alpha]_x \delta \theta$$

$$\dot{\delta \theta} = -[\omega]_x \delta \theta$$

The system is defined by the state vector and dynamic matrix:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} \delta p \\ \delta v \\ \delta \theta \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & P_v & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_\theta \\ 0 & 0 & \Theta_\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

with

$$P_v = I \quad \text{note here that } R$$

$\curvearrowleft$  is constant.

$$V_\theta = -R[\alpha]_x \quad \text{In EKF/IO, } R \text{ is}$$

$$\Theta_\theta = -[\omega]_x \quad \hat{R}(t) = \hat{R} \exp(tw_x)$$

Its integration is  $x_{n+1} = e^{(At)} x_n = \bar{\Phi} x_n$ .

Let  $\bar{\Phi} = \begin{bmatrix} I & \bar{\Phi}_{pv} & \bar{\Phi}_{p\theta} \\ 0 & I & \bar{\Phi}_{v\theta} \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{\Phi}_{\theta\theta} \end{bmatrix}$

Denote  $R\{\phi\} \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \text{Exp}(\phi)$   $\bar{\Phi}_{\theta\theta} = R\{\omega\delta t\}^T$ .

$$\bar{\Phi}_{v\theta} = -R[a]_x \left( I\delta t + \frac{[w]_x}{\|w\|^2} (R\{\omega\delta t\}^T - I + [w]_x \delta t) \right)$$