

# RS-WISP-04-01: Two Impulse Rendezvous

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## I. Scope

In RS-WISP-02, we have demonstrated the C-W equation for Two-Impulse Rendezvous. For defining operation modes, we have to define multiple functions for these delta-v maneuvers. Furthermore, we should structurize the process of rendezvous process in multiple block diagrams. In this document, the role of Two-Impulse Rendezvous and I/O structure is defined, and corresponding function is described. From these function, we can proceed the simulation in multiple environments and multiple simulation setups.

## II. Two Impulse Rendezvous Procedure

### II.1 I/O Structure

Input Parameter

- **Position and velocity of Target Satellite** :  $r_{\text{target}} = \mathbf{r}_0, v_{\text{target}} = \mathbf{v}_0$
- **Kepler parameter of Chaser Satellite** :  $r_{\text{chaser}} = \mathbf{r}, v_{\text{chaser}} = \mathbf{v}$
- **Required Elapsed Time**  $t_f$

(note : Target Satellite shall maintain circular orbit)

Output Parameter

- **initial  $[\Delta \mathbf{v}]_{\text{LVLH}}$  and final  $[\Delta \mathbf{v}]_{\text{LVLH}}$**  with respect to LVLH frame
- **$\delta \mathbf{r}(t)$  and  $\delta \mathbf{v}(t)$  data** with respect to LVLH frame
- **initial  $\mathbf{v}_{\text{ECI}}^+$**  with respect to ECI frame for orbit propagation

(Note : the actual path should be drawn in ECI frame for cross check)

### II.2 Two Impulse Rendezvous Algorithm

1. Transformation matrix from ECI to Target LVLH frame

$$\hat{\mathbf{i}} = \frac{\mathbf{r}_0}{|\mathbf{r}_0|}, \hat{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{\mathbf{r}_0 \times \mathbf{v}_0}{|\mathbf{r}_0 \times \mathbf{v}_0|}, \hat{\mathbf{j}} = \hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \hat{\mathbf{i}} \Rightarrow [Q]_{\text{LVLH,ECI}} = \begin{bmatrix} - & [\hat{\mathbf{i}}]^T & - \\ - & [\hat{\mathbf{j}}]^T & - \\ - & [\hat{\mathbf{k}}]^T & - \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Calculate mean motion of Target and corresponding angular velocity

$$\text{mean motion of Target } n = \frac{v_0}{r_0}$$

$$\Omega_{\text{Target}} = n\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

3. Calculate initial relative position and velocity vector of the Chaser wrt ECI frame

$$\mathbf{r}_{\text{rel}} = \delta \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}_{\text{rel}} = \delta \mathbf{v}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0 + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\text{Target}} \times \mathbf{r}_{\text{rel}} + \mathbf{v}_{\text{rel}}$$

$$\delta \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0$$

$$\delta \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_0 - \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\text{Target}} \times \delta \mathbf{r}$$

4. Calculate initial relative position and velocity vector of the Chaser wrt Target LVLH frame

$$[\delta \mathbf{r}_0] = [\mathbf{Q}]_{\text{LVLH,ECI}} \delta \mathbf{r}$$

$$[\delta \mathbf{v}_0^-] = [\mathbf{Q}]_{\text{LVLH,ECI}} \delta \mathbf{v}$$

5. Generate Clohessy – Wiltshire matrices function for given mean motion

$$\begin{aligned} [\Phi_{\text{rr}}(t)] &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 - 3\cos nt & 0 & 0 \\ 6(\sin nt - nt) & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos nt \end{bmatrix} & [\Phi_{\text{rv}}(t)] &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sin nt}{n} & \frac{2}{n}(1 - \cos nt) & 0 \\ \frac{2}{n}(\cos nt - 1) & \frac{4}{n}\sin nt - 3t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{n}\sin nt \end{bmatrix} \\ [\Phi_{\text{vr}}(t)] &= \begin{bmatrix} 3n \sin nt & 0 & 0 \\ 6n(\cos nt - 1) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -n \sin nt \end{bmatrix} & [\Phi_{\text{vv}}(t)] &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos nt & 2 \sin nt & 0 \\ -2 \sin nt & 4 \cos nt - 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos nt \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

6. From given  $t_f$ , find  $[\delta \mathbf{v}_0^+]$  and corresponding  $[\Delta \mathbf{v}_0]$  wrt LVLH frame

$$[\delta \mathbf{v}_0^+] = -[\Phi_{\text{rv}}(t_f)]^{-1}[\Phi_{\text{rr}}(t_f)][\delta \mathbf{r}_0]$$

$$[\Delta \mathbf{v}_0]_{\text{LVLH}} = [\delta \mathbf{v}_0^+] - [\delta \mathbf{v}_0^-]$$

7. At time  $t_f$ , find  $[\delta \mathbf{v}_f^-]$  and corresponding  $[\Delta \mathbf{v}_f]$  wrt LVLH frame

$$[\delta \mathbf{v}_f^-] = [\Phi_{\text{vr}}(t_f)][\delta \mathbf{r}_0] + [\Phi_{\text{vv}}(t_f)][\delta \mathbf{v}_0^+]$$

$$[\Delta \mathbf{v}_f]_{\text{LVLH}} = -[\delta \mathbf{v}_f^-]$$

8. From  $t = 0 \sim t_f$ , we can calculate  $[\delta \mathbf{r}]_{\text{LVLH}}$  and  $[\delta \mathbf{v}]_{\text{LVLH}}$  from given equation

$$[\delta \mathbf{r}(t)] = [\Phi_{\text{rr}}(t)][\delta \mathbf{r}_0] + [\Phi_{\text{rv}}(t)][\delta \mathbf{v}_0]$$

$$[\delta \mathbf{v}(t)] = [\Phi_{\text{vr}}(t)][\delta \mathbf{r}_0] + [\Phi_{\text{vv}}(t)][\delta \mathbf{v}_0]$$

9. From LVLH to ECI coordinate transfer, we can calculate  $\mathbf{v}_{\text{ECI}}^+$  from  $[\delta \mathbf{v}_0^+]$

$$\text{from } \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0 + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\text{Target}} \times \mathbf{r}_{\text{rel}} + \mathbf{v}_{\text{rel}}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{\text{ECI}}^+ = \mathbf{v}_0 + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\text{Target}} \times \delta \mathbf{r} + [\mathbf{Q}]_{\text{LVLH,ECI}}^{-1}[\delta \mathbf{v}_0^+]$$

(note :  $\mathbf{v}_0$  = Target's velocity wrt ECI,  $[\delta \mathbf{v}_0^+] =$  Chaser's relative velocity wrt target's LVLH)

### III. Matlab function demonstration

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function [Delta_v_0, Delta_v_f, delta_r_t_mat, delta_v_t_mat, v_plus_ECI] =  
two_impulse_rendezvous(r_target, v_target, r_chaser, v_chaser, tf)  
  
r_0 = r_target;  
v_0 = v_target;  
r = r_chaser;  
v = v_chaser;  
  
% Reference Frame of the Target  
i_hat = r_0/norm(r_0);  
j_hat = v_0/norm(v_0);  
k_hat = cross(i_hat, j_hat);  
  
% Transformation Matrix from ECI to Space Station Frame  
Q_LVLH_ECI = [i_hat';j_hat';k_hat'];  
  
% Position vector of the spacecraft relative to the space station (ECI)  
delta_r = r - r_0;  
n = norm(v_0)/norm(r_0);  
Omega_target = n * k_hat;  
delta_v = v - v_0 - cross(Omega_target, delta_r);  
  
% Relative position vector at the beginning of the rendezvous maneuver  
delta_r_0 = Q_LVLH_ECI * delta_r;  
  
% Relative velocity just before launch into the rendezvous trajectory is  
delta_v_0_minus = Q_LVLH_ECI * delta_v;  
  
% Calculate Clohessy-Whitshire matrix for t = t_f = 28800s and n  
nt = n*tf;  
  
Phi_rr_tf = [4 - 3*cos(nt), 0, 0;  
             6*(sin(nt) - nt), 1, 0;  
             0, 0, cos(nt)];  
  
Phi_rv_tf = [sin(nt)/n, 2/n * (1 - cos(nt)), 0;  
             2/n*(cos(nt)-1), 4/n*sin(nt)-3*tf, 0;  
             0, 0, 1/n*sin(nt)];  
  
Phi_vr_tf = [3*n*sin(nt), 0, 0;  
             6*n*(cos(nt)-1), 0, 0;  
             0, 0, -n*sin(nt)];  
Phi_vv_tf = [cos(nt), 2*sin(nt), 0;  
             -2*sin(nt), 4*cos(nt)-3, 0;  
             0, 0, cos(nt)];  
  
delta_v_0_plus = -inv(Phi_rv_tf) * Phi_rr_tf * delta_r_0;  
delta_v_f_minus = Phi_vr_tf * delta_r_0 + Phi_vv_tf * delta_v_0_plus;  
  
% Delta-v at the beginning of the rendezvous maneuver
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Delta_v_0 = delta_v_0_plus - delta_v_0_minus;
% Delta-v at the conclusion of the maneuver
Delta_v_f = [0;0;0] - delta_v_f_minus;

% Drawing Reference Chaser Trajectory wrt Target
t_vector = linspace(0,tf);
delta_r_t_mat = zeros(length(t_vector),3);
delta_v_t_mat = zeros(length(t_vector),3);

for timestep = 1:length(t_vector)

    t = t_vector(timestep);

    nt = n*t;

    Phi_rr_t = [4 - 3*cos(nt),    0, 0;
                6*(sin(nt) - nt),1,0;
                0,0, cos(nt)];

    Phi_rv_t = [sin(nt)/n, 2/n * (1 - cos(nt)), 0;
                2/n*(cos(nt)-1), 4/n*sin(nt)-3*t,0;
                0,0,1/n*sin(nt)];

    Phi_vr_t = [3*n*sin(nt),0,0;
                6*n*(cos(nt)-1),0,0;
                0,0,-n*sin(nt)];
    Phi_vv_t = [cos(nt), 2*sin(nt),0
                -2*sin(nt), 4*cos(nt)-3, 0;
                0,0,cos(nt)];

    delta_r_t = Phi_rr_t * delta_r_0 + Phi_rv_t * delta_v_0_plus;
    delta_v_t = Phi_vr_t * delta_r_0 + Phi_vv_t * delta_v_0_plus;

    delta_r_t_mat(timestep,:) = delta_r_t';
    delta_v_t_mat(timestep,:) = delta_v_t';
end

v_plus_ECI = v_0 + cross(Omega_target, delta_r) + delta_v_0_plus\Q_LVLH_ECI;

end

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## IV. Matlab Function Test

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%% Input Parameters

% Target Information
Target.a = 300+6378;
Target.e = 1e-5;

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Target.i = 40;
Target.RAAN = 20;
Target.AOP = 0;
Target.TA = 60;

% Chaser Information
Chaser.a = 6378 + (318.5 + 515.51)/2;
Chaser.e = (6378+515.51)/Chaser.a-1;
Chaser.i = 40.130;
Chaser.RAAN = 19.819;
Chaser.AOP = 70.662;
Chaser.TA = 349.65;

% Timing of Docking
t_f = 28800;

%% Main Algorithm

% Change to ECI frame

% rv data of the target wrt ECI
[r_target, v_target] = kepler2ijk_hs(Target.a, Target.e, Target.i, Target.RAAN, Target.AOP,
Target.TA);

% rc data of the chaser wrt ECI
[r_chaser, v_chaser] = kepler2ijk_hs(Chaser.a, Chaser.e, Chaser.i, Chaser.RAAN, Chaser.AOP,
Chaser.TA);

[Delta_v_0, Delta_v_f, delta_r_t, delta_v_t, v_plus_ECI] = two_impulse_rendezvous(r_target,
v_target, r_chaser, v_chaser, t_f)

Delta_v_0 = 3×1
    0.0294
   -0.0667
    0.0130
Delta_v_f = 3×1
    0.0258
    0.0005
    0.0244
delta_r_t = 100×3
    20.0303    20.2865    19.9531
    21.5214     6.0269    21.1097
    20.5068    -8.3946    19.8978
    17.1003   -21.3140    16.4532
    11.6842   -31.2357    11.1624
     4.8661   -37.0005     4.6191
    -2.5889   -37.9157    -2.4425
    -9.8442   -33.8328    -9.2300
   -16.0859   -25.1640   -14.9818
   -20.6135   -12.8361   -19.0526

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      :
delta_v_t = 100x3
    0.0093   -0.0468    0.0080
    0.0008   -0.0503   -0.0001
   -0.0077   -0.0479   -0.0082
   -0.0155   -0.0400   -0.0153
   -0.0214   -0.0275   -0.0207
   -0.0250   -0.0117   -0.0238
   -0.0258    0.0055   -0.0243
   -0.0236    0.0223   -0.0220
   -0.0189    0.0368   -0.0172
   -0.0120    0.0472   -0.0105
      :
v_plus_ECI = 3x3
    13.2732   -7.4962   -8.9281
    21.0754    0.3060   -1.1259
    23.0776    2.3083    0.8764

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## Appendix 1: Bundle functions (kepler2ijk, ijk2kepler)

```
function [r,v] = kepler2ijk_hs(a,e,inc,RAAN,AOP,theta)
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mu = 398600.4415;
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RAAN = RAAN/180*pi;
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inc = inc/180*pi;
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AOP = AOP/180*pi;
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theta = theta/180*pi;
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R_3_AOP = [cos(AOP), sin(AOP),0;
           -sin(AOP), cos(AOP),0;
           0,          0,1];
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R_1_inc = [1,          0,          0;
           0, cos(inc), sin(inc);
           0,-sin(inc), cos(inc)];
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R_3_RAAN = [cos(RAAN), sin(RAAN),0;
            -sin(RAAN), cos(RAAN),0;
            0,          0,1];
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Q_rotation = R_3_AOP * R_1_inc * R_3_RAAN;
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p = Q_rotation(1,:);
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q = Q_rotation(2,:);
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w = Q_rotation(3,:);
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p_value = a*(1-e^2);
r = p_value* (cos(theta)*p + sin(theta) *q)/(1+e*cos(theta));
r = r';
v = sqrt(mu/p_value)*(-sin(theta)*p+(e+cos(theta))*q)';
end

function [a, e, inc, RAAN, AOP, theta] = ijk2kepler_hs(r,v)

mu = 398600.4415;

h = cross(r,v); % Angular Velocity Vector
z = [0,0,1]';
n = (cross(z,h))/(norm(cross(z,h))); % Normal Vector
e_vector = ((cross(v,h))/mu) - r/(norm(r)); % Eccentricity vector

a = (-mu)/((norm(v))^2 - 2*mu/norm(r)); % 1. Semi-major axis
e = norm(e_vector); % 2. Eccentricity
inc = acos(dot(z,h)/norm(h)) / pi *180; % 3. Inclination

RAAN = atan2(n(2),n(1)); % 4. RAAN
RAAN = RAAN / pi * 180;

AOP = acos((dot(n,e_vector))/norm(e_vector)); % 5. Argument of periapse
if(e_vector(3)<0)
    AOP = 2*pi - AOP;
end
AOP = AOP/pi*180;

theta = acos((dot(r,e_vector))/(norm(r)*norm(e_vector))); % 6. True anomaly
if(dot(r,v) < 0)
    theta = 2*pi-theta;
end
theta = theta / pi * 180;

end

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