MECH 5970/6970 Homework #3

Due: 3/13/2023

- 1. This problem is to look at noise models.
 - a) Show that the error from the sum \underline{OR} difference of two independent random measurements created from $y = 3a \pm 4b$, where a and b are both zero mean with variance σ_a^2 and σ_b^2 results in:

$$\sigma_y = \sqrt{9\sigma_a^2 + 16\sigma_b^2}$$

Perform 1000 run monte-carlo simulation to verify your results.

- b) Perform a 1000 run monte-carlo simulation (of 10 minutes) to look at the error growth of a random walk (integrated white noise). Use a white noise with 1-sigma value of 0.1 and 0.01 and compare the results. Plot the mean and standard deviation of the monte-carlo simulation along with one run of the simulation (show that the random walk is zero mean with a standard deviation is $\sigma_{\int w} = \sigma_w \Delta t \sqrt{k} = \sigma_w \sqrt{t \times \Delta t}$ (where k is sample number).
- c) Perform a 1000 monte-carlo simulation to look at the error growth of a 1st order markov process (integrated filtered noise) of the form $\dot{x} = -\frac{1}{\tau}x + w$. Use the same noise characteristics as above and compare the results with a 1 second and 100 second time constant (this results in 4 combinations). Comment on how changing the time constant and changing the standard deviation of the noise effects the error. Show that the 1st order markov process is zero mean with a standard deviation of is $\sigma_x = \sigma_w \Delta t \sqrt{\frac{A^{2t}-1}{A^2-1}}$ where $A = \left(1 \frac{\Delta t}{\tau}\right)$. Note that for a positive time constant (i.e. stable system) the standard deviation has a steady state value.
- 2. Determine the expected uncertainty for an L1-L5 ionosphere free pseudorange measurement and L2-L5 ionosphere free pseudorange. Assuming all measurements have the same accuracy (L1, L2, L5) which will provide the best ionosphere estimate?
- 3. Show that the differential GPS problem is linear. In other words derive the following expression:

$$\Delta \rho = [uv_x \ uv_y \ uv_z \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} r_x \\ r_y \\ r_z \\ c\delta t_{ab} \end{bmatrix}$$

- 4. Set up your own 2D planar trilateration problem. Place the SVs at (0,300) (100,400), (700,400), and (800,300). Generate a range measurement for a base station at (400,0) and a user at (401,0).
 - a. Solve for the position of the user using 2 SVs and then 4 SVs assuming no clock errors. How does the PDOP change for the two cases?
 - b. Solve for the position of the user assuming you need to solve for the user clock bias. What is the PDOP with all 4 satellites.
 - c. Calculate a differential solution between the base and user using a single difference model and assuming you must solve for a clock bias between the base station and user. What is the PDOP with all 4 satellites?
 - d. Calculate a differential solution between the base and user using a double difference model to remove the clock bias between the base station and user. What is the PDOP with all 4 satellites?
 - e. Assuming the range error is zero mean with unit variance, what is the order of accuracy in the above 4 solution methods?
- 5. (Bonus for Undergrads/Required for Grads). Repeat problem #4 using 4 and 8 SV positions from Lab #2 (4,7,8,9,16,21,27,30). Comment on any difference or similarities with the planar problem in #3.
- 6. Chapter 2, Problem 1a and 1b for PRN#4. Repeat 1a for PRN #7
- 7. Using your PRN sequence for PRN 4 and 7, repeat problem #2 from HW#1. Compare the results to the results for your made up sequence.
 - a. Plot the histogram on each sequence
 - b. Plot the spectral analysis on each sequence
 - c. Plot the autocorrelation each sequence with itself (i.e. a sequence delay cross correlation)
 - d. Plot the cross autocorrelation between the two sequences
- 8. Take your C/A code from problem above (i.e. PRN #4 and #7) and multiply it times the L1 Carrier (your C/A code must be in the form -1 and +1). Perform a spectral analysis (magnitude) on the resultant signal. You will need to make sure to "hold" your C/A code bits for the correct length of time (I suggest using a sample rate 10x the L1 carrier frequency meaning each chip of the C/A code will be used for 10 samples of the sine wave).