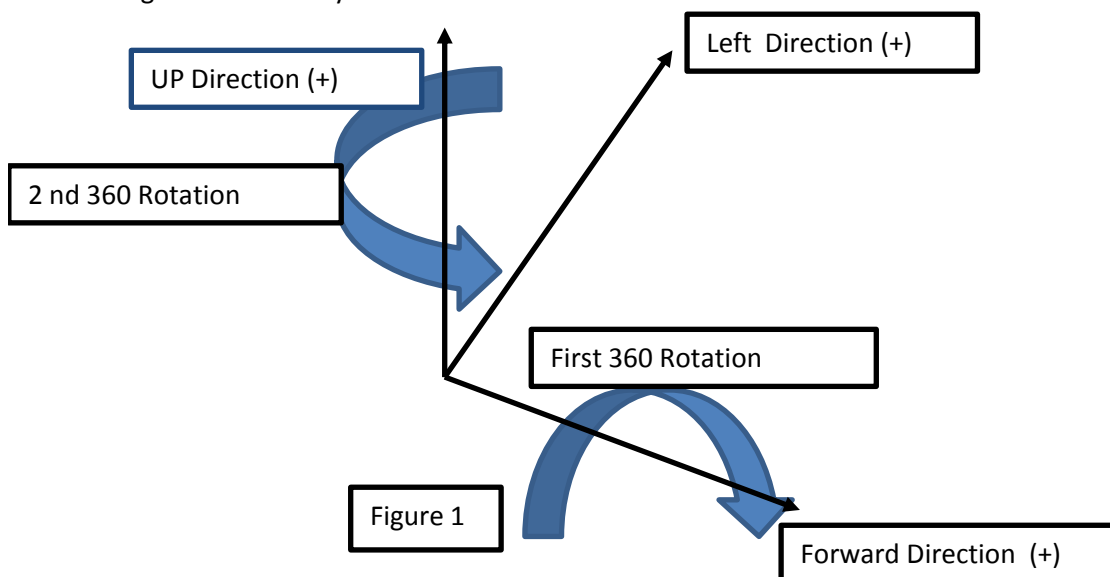


This document outlines the implementation of User Calibration of the magnetic compass. Specifically, it describes the mathematical computations in C/C++ source code.

This calibration will correct or compensate for the hard iron effects. Hard iron effects are magnetic field superimpositions on the earth's magnetic field that are fixed in magnitude and which do not depend on the orientation of the compass.

The compass calibration shall be initiated by a user command that put the compass into the calibration mode. Once in that mode the compass shall be rotated through 360 degrees about the Forward or Left direction followed by a 360 rotation about the Up-Down direction. That is, there are two full rotations required to complete the physical movement required. At the end of the rotations a command to end the calibration process shall be issued by the user to the compass.

It is important to keep the Forward (or Left) axis level during the first rotation and to keep the Up-Down axis vertical during the second calibration and until the full calibration is complete. Failure to follow these process will result in less than optimal calibration and heading errors are likely.



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#define CalThreshold 0
int Xmax, Xmin, Ymax, Ymin, Zmax, Zmin;
void Initialize_Cal_Variables(int MagX, int MagY, int MagZ)
void Calibrate(int MagX, int MagY, int MagZ)
void Compute_and_Save(void)
void Hard_Iron_Correction( int Xoff, int Yoff, int Zoff )
void Initialize_Cal_Variables(int MagX, int MagY, int MagZ)
{
    // set Max and Min values of the mag output to the current values
    Xmax=MagX;
    Xmin=MagX;
    Ymax=MagY;
    Ymin=MagY;
    Zmax=MagZ;
    Zmin=MagZ;

}

void Calibrate(int MagX, int MagY, int MagZ)
{

// this routine will capture the max and min values of the mag X, Y, and Z data while the
// compass is being rotated 360 degrees through the level plane and the upright plane.
// i.e. horizontal and vertical circles.
// This function should be invoked while making continuous measurements
//on the magnetometers
int MagXreading, MagYreading, MagZreading;

    MagXreading=MagX; // just for clarification... can remove these lines
    MagYreading=MagY;
    MagZreading=MagZ;


    if (MagXreading > Xmax ) Xmax = MagXreading;
    if (MagXreading < Xmin ) Xmin = MagXreading;


    if(MagYreading > Ymax ) Ymax = MagYreading;
    if(MagYreading < Ymin ) Ymin = MagYreading;


    if(MagZreading > Zmax ) Zmax = MagZreading;
    if(MagZreading < Zmin ) Zmin = MagZreading;

}

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void Compute_and_Save(void)
{
    if(abs(Xmax - Xmin) > CalThreshold )
    {
        Mag_UserCal_Offset_X = (Xmax + Xmin)/2;
        //      Save parameters in EE
    }

    if(abs(Ymax - Ymin) > CalThreshold )
    {
        Mag_UserCal_Offset_Y= (Ymax + Ymin)/2;

        //Save parameters in EE
    }

    if(abs(Zmax - Zmin) > CalThreshold )
    {
        Mag_UserCal_Offset_Z = (Zmax +Zmin)/2;

        //      Save parameters in EE
    }
}

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void Hard_Iron_Correction( int Xoff, int Yoff, int Zoff ) // call this function for correction
{
    MagX -= Mag_UserCal_Offset_X;
    MagY -= Mag_UserCal_Offset_Y;
    MagZ -= Mag_UserCal_Offset_Z;
}

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