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# **Integrated Positioning and Navigation**

Integration of the  
attitude equation in  
the *e*-system

## Integration of the attitude equation in the $e$ -system

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}}_p^e = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{q}_p^e \quad \text{with } \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega_{ep1}^p & \omega_{ep2}^p & \omega_{ep3}^p \\ -\omega_{ep1}^p & 0 & \omega_{ep3}^p & -\omega_{ep2}^p \\ -\omega_{ep2}^p & -\omega_{ep3}^p & 0 & \omega_{ep1}^p \\ -\omega_{ep3}^p & \omega_{ep2}^p & -\omega_{ep1}^p & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.1)$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}}(t) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A}(t) \mathbf{q}(t) = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{q}) \text{ (subscript and superscript omitted)}$$

Use a numerical procedure for integration.

Example Runge-Kutta integrator of 3rd order\*

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{q}}(t_k) &= \hat{\mathbf{q}}(t_{k-2}) + \frac{\delta t}{6} (\mathbf{k}_1 + 4\mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) \\ \mathbf{k}_1 &= \mathbf{f}(t_{k-2}, \mathbf{q}_{k-2}) \\ \mathbf{k}_2 &= \mathbf{f}(t_{k-1}, \mathbf{q}_{k-2} + \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \frac{\delta t}{2}) \\ \mathbf{k}_3 &= \mathbf{f}(t_k, \mathbf{q}_{k-2} - \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \delta t + \mathbf{k}_2 \cdot 2\delta t) \end{aligned} \quad (8.2)$$

(\* see lecture notes for *Parameter Estimation in Dynamic Systems!*)

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The elements of the matrix  $A$

$$\omega_{ep}^p = \omega_{ip}^p - C_e^p \omega_{ie}^e \quad (8.3)$$

Gyro output (last equation of Module 7):

$$\Delta \alpha_{ip}^p(t_k) = \int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} \omega_{ip}^p(\tau) d\tau \quad (8.4)$$

Formal integration of equation (8.3):

$$\Delta \beta_{ep}^p(t_k) = \int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} \omega_{ep}^p(\tau) d\tau = \int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} [\omega_{ip}^p(\tau) - C_e^p(\tau) \omega_{ie}^e] d\tau \quad (8.5)$$

From now on use the following abbreviations:

$$\Delta t = t_k - t_{k-1}, \quad \omega^p = \omega_{ep}^p, \quad \Delta \alpha^p = \Delta \alpha_{ip}^p, \quad \Delta \beta^p = \Delta \beta_{ep}^p, \quad \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{q}_p^e \quad (8.6)$$

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From equation (8.5) we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) &= \int_{t_{k-2}}^{t_{k-1}} \omega_{ep}^p(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \Delta\alpha^p(t_{k-1}) - \int_{t_{k-2}}^{t_{k-1}} C_e^p(\tau) \omega_{ie}^e d\tau\end{aligned}\tag{8.7}$$

$$\text{For small } \Delta t : \quad C_e^p(\tau) \approx C_e^p(t_{k-1}) \approx C_e^p(t_{k-2})\tag{8.8}$$

From equations (8.7) and (8.8) :

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) &= \Delta\alpha^p(t_{k-1}) - C_e^p(t_{k-2}) \omega_{ie}^e \Delta t + \dots \\ \Delta\beta^p(t_k) &= \Delta\alpha^p(t_k) - C_e^p(t_{k-1}) \omega_{ie}^e \Delta t + \dots\end{aligned}\tag{8.9}$$

$\Delta\beta$  is a function of gyro output and known quantities!

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In general, we can express  $\omega^p$  in a Taylor-expansion in the interval  $[t_{k-2}, t_k]$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \omega^p(t) &= \omega^p(t_{k-2}) + \dot{\omega}^p(t_{k-2}) \cdot (t - t_{k-2}) + O(\delta t^2), \quad t - t_{k-2} \leq \delta t \\ 1) \text{ Find expressions for: } &\omega^p(t_{k-2}), \dot{\omega}^p(t_{k-2}) \\ 2) \text{ determine } &\omega^p(t) \text{ for } t = k-1, k \end{aligned} \quad (8.10)$$

From eqn. (8.5)

$$\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) = \int_{t_{k-2}}^{t_{k-1}} \omega^p(\tau) d\tau = \omega^p(t_{k-2})\Delta t + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\omega}^p(t_{k-2})\Delta t^2 + \dots \quad (8.11)$$

$$\Delta\beta^p(t_k) = \int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} \omega^p(\tau) d\tau = \omega^p(t_{k-2})\Delta t + \frac{3}{2}\dot{\omega}^p(t_{k-2})\Delta t^2 + \dots \quad (8.12)$$

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From equations (8.11) and (8.12):

$$\begin{aligned}\omega^p(t_{k-2}) &= \frac{1}{2\Delta t} (3\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) - \Delta\beta^p(t_k)) + \dots \\ \dot{\omega}^p(t_{k-2}) &= \frac{1}{\Delta t^2} (\Delta\beta^p(t_k) - \Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1})) + \dots\end{aligned}\tag{8.13}$$

Insert (8.13) in equation (8.10)

$$\begin{aligned}\omega^p(t_{k-2}) &= \frac{1}{2\Delta t} (3\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) - \Delta\beta^p(t_k)) + \dots \\ \omega^p(t_{k-1}) &= \frac{1}{2\Delta t} (3\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) - \Delta\beta^p(t_k)) + \frac{1}{\Delta t} (\Delta\beta^p(t_k) - \Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1})) + \dots \\ \omega^p(t_k) &= \frac{1}{2\Delta t} (3\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) - \Delta\beta^p(t_k)) + \frac{2}{\Delta t} (\Delta\beta^p(t_k) - \Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1})) + \dots\end{aligned}\tag{8.14}$$

## Integration of the attitude equation in the $e$ -system - cont't

Set  $\delta t = 2\Delta t$  and indicate approximation by  $\hat{\phantom{x}}$  (remove higher order terms)

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\omega}^p(t_{k-2}) &= \frac{3\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) - \Delta\beta^p(t_k)}{\delta t} \\ \hat{\omega}^p(t_{k-1}) &= \frac{\Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}) + \Delta\beta^p(t_k)}{\delta t} \\ \hat{\omega}^p(t_k) &= \frac{3\Delta\beta^p(t_k) - \Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1})}{\delta t}\end{aligned}\tag{8.15}$$

$\omega^p$  is a function of gyro output and known quantities!



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Computation of  $k_1$  (cf. Equ. (8.2)):

$$k_1 = f(t_{k-2}, q_{k-2}) = \frac{1}{2} A(t_{k-2}) \hat{q}_{k-2} \quad (8.16)$$
$$A(t_{k-2}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega_1^p(t_{k-2}) & \omega_2^p(t_{k-2}) & \omega_3^p(t_{k-2}) \\ -\omega_1^p(t_{k-2}) & 0 & \omega_3^p(t_{k-2}) & -\omega_2^p(t_{k-2}) \\ -\omega_2^p(t_{k-2}) & -\omega_3^p(t_{k-2}) & 0 & \omega_1^p(t_{k-2}) \\ -\omega_3^p(t_{k-2}) & \omega_2^p(t_{k-2}) & -\omega_1^p(t_{k-2}) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where we can use the values computed according to equation (8.15)

Similarly for  $k_2$  and  $k_3$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \hat{q}(t_k) &= D \cdot \hat{q}(t_{k-2}) = \\ \Rightarrow D &= f(\hat{\omega}^p(t_{k-2}), \hat{\omega}^p(t_{k-1}), \hat{\omega}^p(t_k)) \end{aligned} \quad (8.17)$$

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## Summary of integration procedure:

1. Evaluate equation (8.9)  $\Rightarrow \Delta\beta^p(t_{k-1}), \Delta\beta^p(t_k)$
2. Evaluate equation (8.15)  $\Rightarrow \hat{\omega}^p(t_{k-2}), \hat{\omega}^p(t_{k-1}), \hat{\omega}^p(t_k)$
3. Evaluate equation (8.2)  $\Rightarrow \hat{q}(t_k)$
4. Normalise the quaternion: equation (2.13)
5. Compute DCM  $C$  from normalised quaternion  $q$ : equation (2.12)