# EE 565: Position, Navigation and Timing

Navigation Mathematics: Kinematics (Coordinate Frame Transformation)

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#### Coordinate Frame Transformation



- Determine the detailed kinematic relationships between the 4 major frames of interest
  - The Earth-Centered Inertial (ECI) coordinate frame (*i*-frame)
  - The Earth-Centered Earth-Fixed (ECEF) coordinate frame (e-frame)
  - The Local Navigation (Nav) coordinate frame (*n*-frame)
  - The Body coordinate frame (*b*-frame)



- Relationship between the ECI and ECEF frames
  - ECI & ECEF have co-located orgins

$$\vec{r}_{ie} = \dot{\vec{r}}_{ie} = \ddot{\vec{r}}_{ie} = 0$$

- The x, y, and z axis of the ECI & ECEF frames are coincident at time  $t_0$
- The ECEF frame rotates about the common z-axis at a fixed rate ( $\omega_{ie}$ )
  - Ignoring minor speed variatins (precession & nutation)  $\omega_{ie}=72.921151467\mu{\rm rad/sec}$  (WGS84) which is  $\approx 15^{\circ}/{\rm hr}$



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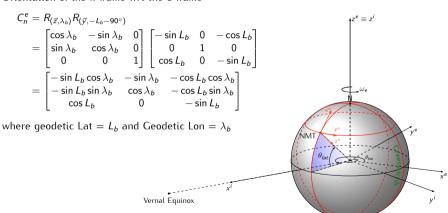
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• The orientation of frame  $\{e\}$  wrt frame  $\{i\}$  becomes

$$C_e^i = R_{(\vec{z},\theta_{ie})} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_{ie} & -\sin \theta_{ie} & 0\\ \sin \theta_{ie} & \cos \theta_{ie} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- Description of the navigation frame
  - Orientation of the *n*-frame *wrt* the *e*-frame





• Angular velocity of the *n*-frame *wrt* the *e*-frame resolved in the *e*-frame as a skew-symmetric matrix



• Angular velocity of the *n*-frame wrt the e-frame resolved in the e-frame as a skew-symmetric matrix

$$\begin{split} \Omega_{en}^{e} &= \dot{C}_{n}^{e} \left[ C_{n}^{e} \right]^{T} & \boxed{\dot{C}_{n}^{e} = C_{n}^{e} \Omega_{en}^{n} = \Omega_{en}^{e} C_{n}^{e}} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} s_{L_{b}} s_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} - c_{L_{b}} c_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} & -c_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} & -c_{\lambda_{b}} s_{L_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} + c_{L_{b}} s_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} \\ -c_{L_{b}} s_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} - c_{\lambda_{b}} s_{L_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} & -s_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} & s_{L_{b}} s_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} - c_{L_{b}} c_{\lambda_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} \\ -s_{L_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} & 0 & -c_{L_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_{n}^{e} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\dot{\lambda}_{b} & -\dot{L}_{b} \cos(\lambda_{b}) \\ \dot{\lambda}_{b} & 0 & -\dot{L}_{b} \sin(\lambda_{b}) \\ \dot{L}_{b} \cos(\lambda_{b}) & \dot{L}_{b} \sin(\lambda_{b}) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$



The angular velocity vector

$$ec{\omega}_{en}^{e} = egin{bmatrix} \sin(\lambda)\dot{L}_{b} \ -\cos(\lambda)\dot{L}_{b} \ \dot{\lambda}_{b} \end{bmatrix} \qquad ec{\omega}_{e}^{n}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_{en}^{e} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\lambda)\dot{L}_{b} \\ -\cos(\lambda)\dot{L}_{b} \\ \dot{\lambda}_{b} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \vec{\omega}_{en}^{n} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{n}^{e} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \vec{\omega}_{en}^{e} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\lambda)\dot{\lambda}_{b} \\ -\dot{L}_{b} \\ -\sin(L_{b})\dot{\lambda}_{b} \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$C_n^i = C_e^i C_n^e = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_{ie}} & -s_{\theta_{ie}} & 0 \\ s_{\theta_{ie}} & c_{\theta_{ie}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -s_{L_b} c_{\lambda_b} & -s_{\lambda_b} & -c_{L_b} c_{\lambda_b} \\ -s_{L_b} s_{\lambda_b} & c_{\lambda_b} & -c_{L_b} s_{\lambda_b} \\ c_{L_b} & 0 & -s_{L_b} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(L_b)\cos(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_b) & -\sin(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_b) & -\cos(L_b)\cos(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_b) \\ -\sin(L_b)\sin(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_b) & \cos(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_b) & -\cos(L_b)\sin(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_b) \\ \cos(L_b) & 0 & -\sin(L_b) \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$\vec{\omega}_{in}^{i} = \vec{\omega}_{ie}^{i} + C_{e}^{i} \vec{\omega}_{en}^{e}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \omega_{ie} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta_{ie}) & -\sin(\theta_{ie}) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta_{ie}) & \cos(\theta_{ie}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\lambda_{b})\dot{L}_{b} \\ -\cos(\lambda_{b})\dot{L}_{b} \\ \dot{\lambda}_{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b})\dot{L}_{b} \\ -\cos(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b})\dot{L}_{b} \\ \omega_{ie} + \dot{\lambda}_{b} \end{bmatrix}$$



are the same

• The vector from the origin of the e-frame to the n-frame origin resolved in the e-frame (from the last lecture)

$$\vec{r}_{eb}^e = \begin{bmatrix} (R_E + h_b)\cos(L_b)\cos(\lambda_b) \\ (R_E + h_b)\cos(L_b)\sin(\lambda_b) \\ (R_E(1 - e^2) + h_b)\sin(L_b) \end{bmatrix} = \vec{r}_{en}^e$$
Origins of the *n*-frame and the *b*-frame

• The velocity of the *n*-frame *wrt* the *e*-frame resolved in the *e*-frame

 $\vec{v}_{en}^{e} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}_{en}^{e} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^{e}}{\partial L_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^{e}}{\partial \lambda_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^{e}}{\partial h_{b}} \dot{h}_{b}$   $= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(L_{b})\cos(\lambda_{b}) & -\sin(\lambda_{b}) & -\cos(L_{b})\cos(\lambda_{b}) \\ -\sin(L_{b})\sin(\lambda_{b}) & \cos(\lambda_{b}) & -\cos(L_{b})\sin(\lambda_{b}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (R_{N} + h_{b})\dot{L}_{b} \\ \cos(L_{b})(R_{E} + h_{b})\dot{\lambda}_{b} \\ -\dot{h}_{b} \end{bmatrix}$ 



• Recalling the form of  $C_n^e$  suggests that

$$\vec{v}_{en}^e = C_n^e egin{bmatrix} (R_N + h_b) \dot{L}_b \ \cos(L_b)(R_E + h_b) \dot{\lambda}_b \ -\dot{h}_b \end{bmatrix} = C_n^e \vec{v}_{en}^n$$

and hence,

$$ec{v}_{en}^{n} = egin{bmatrix} (R_N + h_b) \dot{L}_b \ \cos(L_b)(R_E + h_b) \dot{\lambda}_b \ -\dot{h}_b \end{bmatrix}$$



• Restating  $\vec{v}_{en}^n$  as

$$\vec{v}_{en}^{n} = \begin{bmatrix} (R_N + h_b)\dot{L}_b \\ \cos(L_b)(R_E + h_b)\dot{\lambda}_b \\ -\dot{h}_b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{en,N}^n \\ v_{en,E}^n \\ v_{en,D}^n \end{bmatrix}$$

and recalling that

$$\vec{\omega}_{en}^{n} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(L_b)\dot{\lambda}_b \\ -\dot{L}_b \\ -\sin(L_b)\dot{\lambda}_b \end{bmatrix}$$

suggests that

$$ec{arphi}_{en}^n = egin{bmatrix} ec{v}_{en,E}^n/(R_E+h_b) \ -ec{v}_{en,N}^n/(R_N+h_b) \ -\tan(L_b)ec{v}_{en,E}^n/(R_E+h_b) \end{bmatrix}$$



- Description wrt the body frame
  - Orientation of the *b*-frame *wrt* the *n*-frame in terms of relative yaw  $(\psi)$ , pitch  $(\theta)$ , then roll  $(\phi)$  angles

$$C_{b}^{n} = R_{(\vec{x},\psi)}R_{(\vec{y},\theta)}R_{(\vec{x},\phi)} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\psi} & -s_{\psi} & 0 \\ s_{\psi} & c_{\psi} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta} & 0 & s_{\theta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{\theta} & 0 & c_{\theta} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{\phi} & -s_{\phi} \\ 0 & s_{\phi} & c_{\phi} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta}c_{\psi} & c_{\psi}s_{\theta}s_{\phi} - c_{\phi}s_{\psi} & c_{\phi}c_{\psi}s_{\theta} + s_{\phi}s_{\psi} \\ c_{\theta}s_{\psi} & c_{\phi}c_{\psi} + s_{\theta}s_{\phi}s_{\psi} & c_{\phi}s_{\theta}s_{\psi} - c_{\psi}s_{\phi} \\ -s_{\theta} & c_{\theta}s_{\phi} & c_{\theta}s_{\phi} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y^{b}$$
pitch





• The angular velocity of the b-frame wrt the i-frame resolved/coordinatized in the i-frame



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$$\vec{\omega}_{ib}^{i} = \vec{\omega}_{in}^{i} + C_{n}^{i} \vec{\omega}_{nb}^{n}$$

$$= \vec{\omega}_{ie}^{i} + C_{e}^{i} \vec{\omega}_{en}^{e} + C_{n}^{i} \vec{\omega}_{nb}^{n}$$



- Position vectors to the origin of the body frame
  - The origins of the body and Nav frames are co-incident

$$\vec{r}_{nb} = \vec{0}$$

• The origins of the ECI and ECEF frames are co-incident

$$\vec{r}_{eb} = \vec{r}_{ib} = \vec{r}_{en} = \vec{r}_{in}$$

- Velocity of the *b*-frame *wrt* the *i*-frame resolved in the *i*-frame
  - A moving point in a rotation frame

$$ec{v}_{ib}^{i} = rac{d}{dt}ec{r}_{ib}^{i} = rac{d}{dt}C_{e}^{i}ec{r}_{eb}^{e}$$
 $= C_{e}^{i}\Omega_{ie}^{e}ec{r}_{eb}^{e} + C_{e}^{i}ec{v}_{eb}^{e}$ 
 $= C_{e}^{i}\left(\Omega_{ie}^{e}ec{r}_{eb}^{e} + ec{v}_{eb}^{e}\right)$ 



- Acceleration of the *b*-frame *wrt* the *i*-frame resolved in the *i*-frame
  - A moving point in a rotation frame

$$\begin{split} \vec{a}_{ib}^{i} &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{v}_{ib}^{i} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( C_{e}^{i} \left( \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + \vec{v}_{eb}^{e} \right) \right) \\ &= \dot{C}_{e}^{i} \left( \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + \vec{v}_{eb}^{e} \right) + C_{e}^{i} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\omega} = 0 \\ \dot{\Omega}_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + \dot{\vec{v}}_{eb}^{e} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= C_{e}^{i} \Omega_{ie}^{e} \left( \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + \vec{v}_{eb}^{e} \right) + C_{e}^{i} \left( \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{v}_{eb}^{e} + \vec{a}_{eb}^{e} \right) \\ &= C_{e}^{i} \left( \Omega_{ie}^{e} \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + 2 \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{v}_{eb}^{e} + \vec{a}_{eb}^{e} \right) \end{split}$$