Lecture

Navigation Mathematics: Kinematics (Coordinate Frame Transformation)

EE 570: Location and Navigation

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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)

ECI/ECEF

- 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 (ω_{ie})
 - * Ignoring minor speed variatins (precession & nutation) $\omega_{ie}=72.921151467\mu{\rm rad/sec}$ (WGS84) which is $\approx 15^{\circ}/{\rm hr}$

ECI/ECEF

• The angular velocity and acceleration are

$$\vec{\omega}_{ie}^{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \omega_{ie} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \dot{\vec{\omega}}_{ie}^{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

• The angle of rotation is

$$\theta_{ie} = \omega_{ie}(t - t_0)$$
$$= \omega_{ie}t + \theta_{GMST}$$

where GMST is the Greenwich mean sidereal time

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

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

Note: $\vec{\omega}_{ie}^{i} = \vec{\omega}_{ie}^{e}$

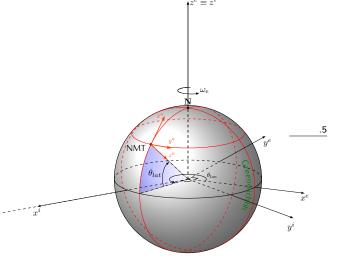
ECEF/Nav

• Description of the navigation frame

- Orientation of the n-frame wrt the e-frame

$$\begin{split} C_n^e &= R_{(\vec{z},\lambda_b)} R_{(\vec{y},-L_b-90^\circ)} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \lambda_b & -\sin \lambda_b & 0 \\ \sin \lambda_b & \cos \lambda_b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\sin L_b & 0 & -\cos L_b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \cos L_b & 0 & -\sin L_b \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin L_b \cos \lambda_b & -\sin \lambda_b & -\cos L_b \cos \lambda_b \\ -\sin L_b \sin \lambda_b & \cos \lambda_b & -\cos L_b \sin \lambda_b \\ \cos L_b & 0 & -\sin L_b \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

where geodetic Lat = L_b and Geodetic Lon = λ_b



ECEF/Nav

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

Vernal Equinox

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

ECEF/Nav

• The angular velocity vector

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

ECI/ECEF/Nav

• Hence the orientation of the *n*-frame *wrt* the *i*-frame becomes

$$C_{n}^{i} = C_{e}^{i}C_{n}^{e} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_{ie}} & -s_{\theta_{ie}} & 0 \\ s_{\theta_{ie}} & c_{\theta_{ie}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -s_{L_{b}}c_{\lambda_{b}} & -s_{\lambda_{b}} & -c_{L_{b}}c_{\lambda_{b}} \\ -s_{L_{b}}s_{\lambda_{b}} & c_{\lambda_{b}} & -c_{L_{b}}s_{\lambda_{b}} \\ c_{L_{b}} & 0 & -s_{L_{b}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(L_{b})\cos(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b}) & -\sin(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b}) & -\cos(L_{b})\cos(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b}) \\ -\sin(L_{b})\sin(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b}) & \cos(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b}) & -\cos(L_{b})\sin(\theta_{ie} + \lambda_{b}) \\ \cos(L_{b}) & 0 & -\sin(L_{b}) \end{bmatrix}$$

ECI/ECEF/Nav

 \bullet The angular velocity of the n-frame wrt the i-frame resolved in the i-frame is

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

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

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

ECEF/Nav

• 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 are the same

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

$$\vec{v}_{en}^{e} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}_{en}^{e} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^{e}}{\partial L_{b}} \dot{L}_{b} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^{e}}{\partial \lambda_{b}} \dot{\lambda}_{b} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^{e}}{\partial h_{b}} \dot{h}_{b}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(L_{b})\cos(\lambda_{b}) & -\sin(\lambda_{b}) & -\cos(L_{b})\cos(\lambda_{b}) \\ -\sin(L_{b})\sin(\lambda_{b}) & \cos(\lambda_{b}) & -\cos(L_{b})\sin(\lambda_{b}) \\ \cos(L_{b}) & 0 & -\sin(L_{b}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (R_{N} + h_{b})\dot{L}_{b} \\ \cos(L_{b})(R_{E} + h_{b})\dot{\lambda}_{b} \\ -\dot{h}_{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

ECEF/Nav

ullet Recalling the form of C_n^e suggests that

$$\vec{v}_{en}^{e} = C_{n}^{e} \begin{bmatrix} (R_{N} + h_{b})\dot{L}_{b} \\ \cos(L_{b})(R_{E} + h_{b})\dot{\lambda}_{b} \\ -\dot{h}_{b} \end{bmatrix} = C_{n}^{e}\vec{v}_{en}^{n}$$

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• and hence,

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

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ECEF/Nav

 \bullet 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

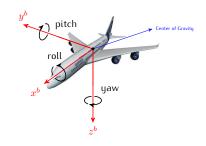
$$\vec{\omega}_{en}^{n} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_{en,E}^{n}/(R_E + h_b) \\ -\vec{v}_{en,N}^{n}/(R_N + h_b) \\ -\tan(L_b)\vec{v}_{en,E}^{n}/(R_E + h_b) \end{bmatrix}$$

Body Frame

• Description wrt the body frame

– Orientation of the *b*-frame *wrt* the *n*-frame in terms of relative yaw (ψ) , pitch (θ) , then roll (ϕ) angles

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



Body Frame

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

$$\begin{split} \vec{\omega}_{ib}^{\;i} &= \vec{\omega}_{in}^{\;i} + C_n^i \vec{\omega}_{nb}^{\;n} \\ &= \vec{\omega}_{ie}^{\;i} + C_e^i \vec{\omega}_{en}^{\;e} + C_n^i \vec{\omega}_{nb}^{\;n} \end{split}$$

Body Frame

- 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

$$\vec{v}_{ib}^{i} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}_{ib}^{i} = \frac{d}{dt} C_{e}^{i} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e}$$
$$= C_{e}^{i} \Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + C_{e}^{i} \vec{v}_{eb}^{e}$$
$$= C_{e}^{i} (\Omega_{ie}^{e} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} + \vec{v}_{eb}^{e})$$

Body Frame

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

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

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