# Lecture

# Error Mechanization (ECEF)

# EE 565: Position, Navigation and Timing

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#### Recall — ECEF Mechanization

• In continuous time notation

- Attitude:  $\dot{C}_h^e = C_h^e \Omega_{eh}^b$ 

– Velocity:  $\dot{\vec{v}}^{\,e}_{\,eb}=C^e_b\vec{f}^{\,b}_{\,ib}+\vec{g}^e_b-2\Omega^i_{ie}\vec{v}^{\,e}_{\,eb}$ 

– Position:  $\dot{\vec{r}}_{ib}^{\,e} = \vec{v}_{\,eb}^{\,e}$ 

• In State-space notation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{r}_{eb}^{e} \\ \dot{v}_{eb}^{e} \\ \dot{C}_{b}^{i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_{eb}^{e} \\ C_{b}^{e} \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} + \vec{g}_{b}^{e} - 2\Omega_{ie}^{i} \vec{v}_{eb}^{e} \\ C_{b}^{e} \Omega_{eb}^{b} \end{bmatrix}$$
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where  $\vec{\omega}_{ib}^b=\vec{\omega}_{ie}^b+\vec{\omega}_{eb}^b$ , and  $\Omega_{eb}^b=\Omega_{ib}^b-\Omega_{ie}^b$ .

#### Question

What is the effect of sensor noise in the measurements  $\vec{\omega}_{ib}^b$  and  $\vec{f}_{ib}^b$  on the navigation solution position, velocity and attitude?

## 1 Attitude

#### ECEF Attitude Error

$$\begin{split} \dot{C}^e_b &= C^e_b \Omega^b_{eb} \ = C^e_b (\Omega^b_{ib} - \Omega^b_{ie}) = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ (\mathcal{I} + [\delta \vec{\psi}^e_{eb} \times]) \hat{C}^e_b \right] = \\ & (\mathcal{I} + [\delta \vec{\psi}^e_{eb} \times]) \hat{C}^e_b \Omega^b_{eb} = [\delta \dot{\vec{\psi}}^e_{eb} \times] \hat{C}^e_b + (\mathcal{I} + [\delta \vec{\psi}^e_{eb} \times]) \dot{\hat{C}}^e_b = \\ & (\mathcal{I} + [\delta \vec{\psi}^e_{eb} \times]) \hat{C}^e_b (\hat{\Omega}^b_{eb} + \delta \Omega^b_{ib} - \delta \Omega^b_{ie}) = \\ & (\mathcal{I} + [\delta \vec{\psi}^e_{eb} \times]) \hat{C}^e_b \hat{\Omega}^b_{eb} + \hat{C}^e_b (\delta \Omega^b_{ib} - \delta \Omega^b_{ie}) = \end{split}$$

$$[\delta \dot{\vec{\psi}}_{eb}^e \times] = \hat{C}_b^e (\delta \Omega_{ib}^b - \delta \Omega_{ie}^b) \hat{C}_e^b = [\hat{C}_b^e (\delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b - \delta \vec{\omega}_{ie}^b) \times]$$
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$$\delta \dot{\vec{\psi}}_{eb}^e = \hat{C}_b^e (\delta \omega_{ib}^b - \delta \vec{\omega}_{ie}^b) \tag{3}$$

ECEF Attitude Error (cont.)

$$\begin{split} \delta \dot{\vec{\psi}}_{eb}^e &= \hat{C}_b^e (\delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b - \delta \vec{\omega}_{ie}^b) \\ &= \hat{C}_b^e \delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b - \hat{C}_b^e (\vec{\omega}_{ie}^b - \hat{\vec{\omega}}_{ie}^b) \\ &= \hat{C}_b^e \delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b - (\hat{C}_b^e C_e^b - \mathcal{I}) \vec{\omega}_{ie}^e \\ &= \hat{C}_b^e \delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b + \delta \vec{\psi}_{eb}^e \times \vec{\omega}_{ie}^e \\ \delta \dot{\vec{\psi}}_{eb}^e &= \hat{C}_b^e \delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b - \vec{\Omega}_{ie}^e \delta \vec{\psi}_{eb}^e \end{split}$$

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# 2 Velocity

Velocity

$$\dot{\vec{v}}_{eb}^{e} = C_b^e \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} + \vec{g}_b^e - 2\Omega_{ie}^e \vec{v}_{eb}^e \tag{5}$$

$$\dot{\hat{v}}_{eb}^{e} = \hat{C}_{b}^{e} \hat{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{b} + \hat{\vec{g}}_{b}^{e} - 2\Omega_{ie}^{e} \hat{\vec{v}}_{eb}^{e} 
= (\mathcal{I} - [\delta \vec{\psi}_{eb}^{e} \times]) C_{b}^{e} (\vec{f}_{ib}^{b} - \delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{b}) + \hat{\vec{g}}_{b}^{e} - 2\Omega_{ie}^{e} \hat{\vec{v}}_{eb}^{e}$$
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$$\begin{split} \delta \dot{\vec{v}}^{\,e}_{\,eb} &= \dot{\vec{v}}^{\,e}_{\,eb} - \dot{\vec{v}}^{\,e}_{\,eb} = [\delta \vec{\psi}^{e}_{eb} \times] C^{e}_{b} \vec{f}^{\,b}_{\,ib} + \hat{C}^{e}_{b} \delta \vec{f}^{\,b}_{\,ib} + \delta \vec{g}^{e}_{b} - 2 \Omega^{e}_{ie} \delta \vec{v}^{\,e}_{\,eb} \\ &= [\delta \vec{\psi}^{e}_{eb} \times] \hat{C}^{e}_{b} \hat{f}^{\,b}_{\,ib} + \hat{C}^{e}_{b} \delta \vec{f}^{\,b}_{\,ib} + \delta \vec{g}^{e}_{b} - 2 \Omega^{e}_{ie} \delta \vec{v}^{\,e}_{\,eb} \end{split}$$

$$\delta \dot{\vec{v}}_{eb}^{e} = -[\hat{C}_{b}^{e} \hat{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{b} \times ] \delta \vec{\psi}_{eb}^{e} + \hat{C}_{b}^{e} \delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} + \delta \vec{g}_{b}^{e} - 2\Omega_{ie}^{e} \delta \vec{v}_{eb}^{e}$$
(7)

# 3 Gravity

**Gravity Error** 

Using Taylor series expansion, the gravity error as a function of position estimates and errors is derived to be

$$\delta \vec{g}_b^e \approx \frac{2g_0(\hat{L}_b)}{r_{eS}^e(\hat{L}_b)} \frac{\hat{r}_{eb}^e}{|\hat{r}_{eb}^e|^2} (\hat{r}_{eb}^e)^T \delta \vec{r}_{eb}^e$$
 (8)

## 4 Position

Position

$$\dot{\vec{r}}_{eb}^e = \vec{v}_{eb}^e \tag{9}$$

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$$\delta \dot{\vec{r}}_{eb}^e = \delta \vec{v}_{eb}^e \tag{10}$$

# 5 Summary

Summary - in terms of  $\delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{\,b}, \delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^{\,b}$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\delta \dot{\vec{\psi}}_{eb}^{e} \\
\delta \dot{\vec{v}}_{eb}^{e}
\end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
-\Omega_{ie}^{e} & 0_{3\times3} & 0_{3\times3} \\
-[\hat{C}_{b}^{e} \dot{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{b} \times] & -2\Omega_{ie}^{e} & \frac{2g_{0}(\hat{L}_{b})}{r_{es}^{e}} \frac{\hat{r}_{eb}^{e}}{|\hat{r}_{eb}^{e}|^{2}} (\hat{r}_{eb}^{e})^{T} \\
0_{3\times3} & \mathcal{I}_{3\times3} & 0_{3\times3}
\end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}
\delta \dot{\vec{\psi}}_{eb}^{e} \\
\delta \vec{v}_{eb}^{e}
\end{pmatrix} + \\
\begin{bmatrix}
0 & \hat{C}_{b}^{e} \\
\hat{C}_{b}^{e} & 0 \\
0 & 0
\end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}
\delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} \\
\delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^{b}
\end{pmatrix} \tag{11}$$

## A Basic Definitions

Notation Used

• Truth value

 $\vec{x}$ 

• Measured value

 $\tilde{\vec{x}}$ 

• Estimated or computed value

 $\hat{\vec{x}}$ 

Error

$$\delta \vec{x} = \vec{x} - \hat{\vec{x}}$$

## **B** Linearization

Linearization using Taylor Series Expansion

Given a non-linear system  $\vec{x} = f(\vec{x}, t)$ 

Let's assume we have an estimate of  $\vec{x}$ , i.e.,  $\hat{\vec{x}}$  such that  $\vec{x} = \hat{\vec{x}} + \delta \vec{x}$ 

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = \dot{\vec{x}} + \delta \dot{\vec{x}} = f(\hat{\vec{x}} + \delta \vec{x}, t) \tag{12}$$

Using Taylor series expansion

$$f(\hat{\vec{x}} + \delta \vec{x}, t) = \dot{\hat{\vec{x}}} + \delta \dot{\vec{x}} = f(\hat{\vec{x}}, t) + \frac{\partial f(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial \vec{x}} \Big|_{\vec{x} = \hat{\vec{x}}} \delta \vec{x} + H.O.T$$

$$\approx \dot{\hat{\vec{x}}} + \frac{\partial f(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial \vec{x}} \Big|_{\vec{x} = \hat{\vec{x}}} \delta \vec{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \dot{\vec{x}} \approx \frac{\partial f(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial \vec{x}} \Big|_{\vec{x} = \hat{\vec{x}}} \delta \vec{x}$$
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## C Inertial Measurements

#### Actual Measurements

Initially the accelerometer and gyroscope measurements,  $\tilde{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{\ b}$  and  $\tilde{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^{\ b}$ , respectively, will be modeled as

$$\tilde{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{b} = \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} + \Delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} \tag{14}$$

$$\tilde{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^b = \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b + \Delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b \tag{15}$$

where  $\vec{f}_{ib}^{\ b}$  and  $\vec{\omega}_{ib}^{\ b}$  are the specific force and angular rates, respectively; and  $\Delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{\ b}$  and  $\Delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^{\ b}$  represents the errors. In later lectures we will discuss more detailed description of these errors.

### Error Modeling Example

Accelerometers

$$\tilde{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{b} = \vec{b}_a + (\mathcal{I} + M_a)\vec{f}_{ib}^{b} + \vec{nl}_a + \vec{w}_a \tag{16}$$

Gyroscopes

$$\tilde{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^b = \vec{b}_g + (\mathcal{I} + M_g)\vec{\omega}_{ib}^b + G_g\vec{f}_{ib}^b + \vec{w}_g \tag{17}$$

#### Pos, Vel, Force and Angular Rate Errors

• Position error

$$\delta \vec{r}_{\beta b}^{\gamma} = \vec{r}_{\beta b}^{\gamma} - \hat{r}_{\beta b}^{\gamma} \tag{18}$$

Velocity error

$$\delta \vec{v}_{\beta b}^{\gamma} = \vec{v}_{\beta b}^{\gamma} - \hat{\vec{v}}_{\beta b}^{\gamma} \tag{19}$$

• Specific force errors

$$\delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} = \vec{f}_{ib}^{b} - \hat{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{b} \tag{20}$$

$$\Delta_e \vec{f}_{ib}^{\ b} = \Delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{\ b} - \Delta \hat{\vec{f}}_{ib}^{\ b} = -\delta \vec{f}_{ib}^{\ b} \tag{21}$$

Angular rate errors

$$\delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b = \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b - \hat{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^b \tag{22}$$

$$\Delta_e \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b = \Delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b - \Delta \hat{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^b = -\delta \vec{\omega}_{ib}^b \tag{23}$$

## D Attitude Error

#### Attitude Error Definition

Define

$$\delta C_b^{\gamma} = C_b^{\gamma} \hat{C}_{\gamma}^b = e^{[\delta \vec{\psi}_{\gamma b}^{\gamma} \times]} \approx \mathcal{I} + [\delta \vec{\psi}_{\gamma b}^{\gamma} \times] \tag{24}$$

This is the error in attitude resulting from errors in estimating the angular rates.

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#### Attitude Error Properties

The attitude error is a multiplicative small angle transformation from the actual frame to the computed frame

$$\hat{C}_b^{\gamma} = (\mathcal{I} - [\delta \vec{\psi}_{\gamma b}^{\gamma} \times]) C_b^{\gamma} \tag{25}$$

Similarly,

$$C_b^{\gamma} = (\mathcal{I} + [\delta \vec{\psi}_{\gamma b}^{\gamma} \times]) \hat{C}_b^{\gamma} \tag{26}$$

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# E Estimates of Sensor Measurements

### Specific Force and Agnular Rates

Similarly we can attempt to estimate the specific force and angular rate by applying correction based on our estimate of the error.

$$\hat{\vec{f}}_{ib}^b = \tilde{\vec{f}}_{ib}^b - \Delta \hat{\vec{f}}_{ib}^b \tag{27}$$

$$\hat{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^b = \tilde{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^b - \Delta \hat{\vec{\omega}}_{ib}^b \tag{28}$$

where  $\hat{f}^b_{ib}$  and  $\hat{\vec{\omega}}^b_{ib}$  are the accelerometer and gyroscope estimated calibration values, respectively.