EE 565: Position, Navigation and Timing Navigation Equations: An Overview

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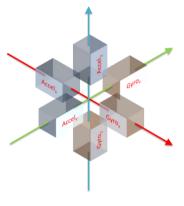


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Inertial Navigation



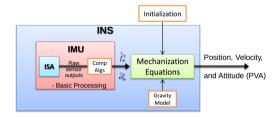
- The process of "integrating" angular velocity & acceleration to determine one's position, velocity, and attitude (PVA)
- To measure the acceleration and angular velocity vectors we need at least 3-gyros and 3-accels
 - Typically configured in an orthogonal triad
- The "mechanization" can be performed wrt:
 - the ECI frame.
 - the ECEF frame,
 - the Nav frame, or
 - the tangential frame.



ISA, IMU, & INS

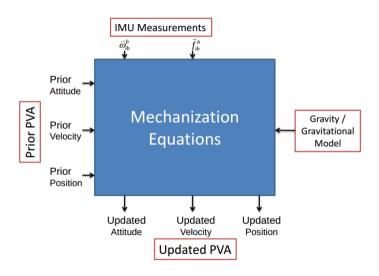


- An Inertial Navigation System (INS)
 - ISA Inertial Sensor Assembly
 - Typically, 3-gyros, 3-accels, and basic electronics
 - IMU Inertial Measurement Unit
 - ISA + compensation algorithms (i.e., basic processing)
 - INS Inertial Navigation System
 - IMU + gravity model + "mechanization" algorithm



Mechanization Process







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- Update the position
 - integrate the result from step 3



