

AOCS IGOSat

Summary

This report focus on the Attitude Control and determination system of the IGOSAT. The attitude control loop of IGOSat is presented. An AOCS Simulink is developed in Matlab for the simulation of various attitude modes of IGOSat. The Simulink modelling of the system dynamics, environment models and controllers are discussed in detail. The report also presents the algorithm for Attitude determination from the available sensors and its integration in Simulink model. Finally, the simulation results are discussed.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The IGOSAT (Ionospheric and Gamma-ray Observation SATellite) is the first 3U CubeSat standard nanosatellite of the University Paris Diderot, APC (AstroParticule et Cosmologie) and IPGP (Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris) laboratories gathered within the LabEx (Laboratory of Excellence) UnivEarthS initiative. It is also supported by CNES via JANUS program. This satellite is scheduled to be launched at the beginning of 2018 for a one-year mission around the Earth on a quasi-polar orbit at an altitude of about 600 km. The nanosatellite carries two payloads to fill its two scientific missions:

- A scintillator for the study of gamma radiation in polar cusps and the South Atlantic Anomaly (SAA).
- A dual-frequency GPS receiver for the study of the total electron content (TEC) of the ionosphere

After deployed into space and the lack of control, the attitude of satellite changes in unpredictable directions. To carry out the tasks and meet the scientific and technical specifications, the satellite must point to specific targets, hence the need for an attitude and orbit control system (AOCS).

2. OBJECTIVES

Spacecraft control is usually synonymous with "Attitude Control," the engineering discipline of keeping a satellite or spacecraft pointed in the right direction.

As an engineering discipline, Satellite Attitude Control system embodies four distinct areas:

- 1. Control system design
- 2. Dynamics and modeling of systems
- 3. Software design
- 4. User interface design

Usually the system aspects of a spacecraft control system are more important than the control laws themselves and often much more difficult to realize.

1. Control System Design

Control system design can be further decomposed into:

- 1. Attitude determination
- 2. Attitude control
- 3. Control distribution

This is the important part and has to be realized in the preliminary design process with the mission requirements and specifications.





Figure 1: Typical Attitude control loop

2. Dynamics and Modeling of Systems

The second category can be decomposed into:

- 1. Modeling
- 2. Simulation

This section involves the implementation of the models into numerical simulations. Since it is rarely practical to test control systems on real satellites, the designer must rely on simulation to validate his or her designs. The modelling ranges from the satellite non-linear dynamics to the possible environmental disturbances- gravity gradient, aerodynamic & magnetic residual torques etc.

Simulations can range from all software running on the same platform, to software models with the control system running on a flight or equivalent board or one in which actuator and sensor hardware are integrated into the simulation(Matlab/Simulink).

3. Software Design

The third area is the implementation of both control systems and simulations in software. This is of critical importance.

Ultimately, spacecraft control algorithm is written in C/C++ or a block diagram language. Most of a spacecraft control system has little to do with control theory, but rather is related to how the satellite will operate. Aside from controlling the satellite, the software must:

- Implement the user interface (command and telemetry)
- Switch operational modes
- Provide fault detection
- Provide redundancy management
- Plan maneuvers, operations, etc.

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4. User Interface Design

The fourth category is the most important. Most satellites that are lost are the result of operator error; operator error is often due to user interface problems. A user interface problem can be a wrong command, or one whose effect is not completely understood.



Figure 2: IGOSat AOCS Communication-subsystems



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3. ATTITUDE DEFINITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS OF IGOSAT

3.1 ATTITUTE USAGE

The attitude used in the simulation & for the flight software are Quaternions of convention-2. While the Tele-command and attitude interpretation are carried out by Euler 321.

Why quaternions?

Quaternions have no inherent geometric singularity as do Euler angles. Moreover, quaternions are well suited for onboard real-time computer because only products and no trigonometric relations exist in the quaternion kinematic differential equations.

If (ψ, θ, φ) are euler321 angles from R_r to R_v then the rotation matrix is given by,

$$M_{R_{r} \to R_{v}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi & -\sin \psi & 0\\ \sin \psi & \cos \psi & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta\\ 0 & 1 & 0\\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & \cos \phi & -\sin \phi\\ 0 & \sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \dots (1)$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi \cos \theta & \cos \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi - \sin \psi \cos \phi & \cos \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi + \sin \psi \sin \phi\\ \sin \psi \cos \theta & \sin \psi \sin \theta \sin \phi + \cos \psi \cos \phi & \sin \psi \sin \theta \cos \phi - \cos \psi \sin \phi\\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \dots (1)$$

Computation of angles from matrix components:

$w = \arctan \frac{m_{2,1}}{m_{2,1}}$	Axis	Angle	value
ψ = arctain $m_{1,1}$	Z-axis	Yaw(ψ)	$\psi \in [-\pi : \pi]$
$\theta = \arcsin(-m_{3,1})$	Y-axis	Pitch($ heta$)	$\theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}:\frac{\pi}{2}\right]$
$\varphi = \arctan \frac{m_{3,2}}{m_{3,3}}$	X-axis	Roll($arphi$)	$\varphi \in \left[-\pi : \pi \right]$

The quaternion that transforms the vector in R_v to vector in R_r is denoted by $Q_{Rv/Rr}$

$$Q_{Rv/Rr} = (\vec{u}, p) = \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \\ q_4 \end{bmatrix} \quad and \quad q_1^2 + q_2^2 + q_3^2 + q_4^2 = 1 \qquad \dots (2)$$

$$M_{R_r \to R_v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2(q_2^2 + q_3^2) & 2(q_1q_2 - q_4q_3) & 2(q_1q_3 + q_4q_2) \\ 2(q_1q_2 + q_4q_3) & 1 - 2(q_1^2 + q_3^2) & 2(q_2q_3 - q_4q_1) \\ 2(q_1q_3 - q_4q_2) & 2(q_2q_3 + q_4q_1) & 1 - 2(q_1^2 + q_2^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

It is also possible to express the rotation matrix in quaternion formulation

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$$q_{1} = \operatorname{sgn}(m_{3,2} - m_{2,3}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + m_{1,1} - m_{2,2} - m_{3,3}}$$

$$q_{2} = \operatorname{sgn}(m_{1,3} - m_{3,1}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - m_{1,1} + m_{2,2} - m_{3,3}}$$

$$q_{3} = \operatorname{sgn}(m_{2,1} - m_{1,2}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - m_{1,1} - m_{2,2} + m_{3,3}}$$

$$q_{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + m_{1,1} + m_{2,2} + m_{3,3}}$$
...(3)

The conversion from Euler 321 to quaternion or vice versa is computed by comping & decomposing the rotation matrix $M_{R_r \to R_v}$. The more detail information on quaternion operations are discussed in [20]. A Simulink library is built ('*MySimulinkLib*') with the functions on quaternion operations and conversion to euler angles. (see Appendix 1).

3.2 REFERENCE FRAMES

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Satellite

The following reference frames are used in this report.

- Satellite reference frame(R_{sat})
- local reference frame(R_{loc})
- Inertial reference frame(R_g)
- Earth center earth fixed reference frame($R_{_{e\it cf}}$)
- Target reference frame (R_c)

Satellite reference frame(R_{sat})

It is fixed wrt to the satellite body. The origin of R_{sat} is taken at the geometric center in accordance with the CubeSat specifications (DR3). For details, refer to the Interface Control Document [5].

- Z_{sat} axis will be along the length of nanosatellite.
- Y_{sat} axis will be opposite to the port PC104 electronic cards as shown in Figure 3.
- X_{sat} is given by the cross product between Z_{sat} and Y_{sat} to complete the Right hand System.





Figure 3: Placing satellite axes relative to the PC port 104[5]

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Local reference frame(R_{loc})

It is local orbital frame taken such a way that,

- Z-axis is towards the earth zenith.
- X- axis towards the velocity of the satellite.
- Y-axis is to complete the Right hand system and also perpendicular to the orbital plane.

Inertial reference frame(R_g)

It is the Earth centered inertial frame, XYZ- axis are fixed and the epoch is taken at J2000/EME2000.

Earth center earth fixed reference frame(R_{ecf})

Origin is at the earth center, Z-axis towards the north pole, X-axis towards the vernal equinox at the green witch meridian and Y-axis to complete the right hand system rule. The X & Y axis rotates with the earth.

<u>Target reference frame (R_c)</u>

(In French: "**Repère de consigne** R_c ") It is the desired control frame that has to be achieved wrt the



Figure 4: Visualization of reference frame in VTS

local orbital frame. It is also called desired attitude or guidance in our context. Satellite orientation R_{sat} has to be controlled over R_c . This reference frame is defined by

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3.3 AOCS Requirements-IGOSat

Operating modes of AOCS

ID	Modes	Requirements
STB-PLA-XX	De-tumbling	The ACS must be able to damp the initial rotation rates of about ±40 deg/sec on each axes from the launch in less than a week.
STB-PLA-XX	Nominal	It is the mission mode pointing GPS antenna to GPS satellite. In this mode ACS must be nadir pointed with a spin of 0.13 deg/sec in Zsat axis.
STB-PLA-XX	Caillou	ACS is turned off. This mode should consume less power than the nominal mode

System modes on AOCS



Figure 5: System modes on AOCS [2]

OFF mode is the satellite mode when every sub-system is off inside the POD or when the onboard computer reboots.

ACQUISITION mode is characterized at the beginning by the starting of the ODB and the sequence of the ignition of the different sub-system. It is also the deployment of the antennas and the "detumbling" phase, to reduce the rotation velocity of the satellite if the level of energy inside batteries is enough. A precise diagnostic will be done during this mode each time it is activated.

PLATEFORME mode is a waiting mode. The satellite transmits here his TM (Telemetry) and operates a soft diagnostic.

SURVIE mode is characterized by the priority given to the reception of power from the sun. Consequently, if the level of battery is to low, we stop the operations and just wait to recover a percentage of battery higher than 50%. If we are below 50%, the ACS (Attitude Control System) is turned off (mode caillou).

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MISSION mode is when one or both instruments are activated.

FIN DE VIE mode is requested by the LOS (Loi sur les Opérations Spatiales) to ensure the passivation of the satellite before its re-entry in the atmosphere, less than 25 years after the launch. All the electrical equipment is cut-off and AOCS is deactivated.

ACS requirements [6]

ID	Requirements
STB-PLA-10	The ACS must determine the attitude of the satellite to +/- 5 ° in all axes
STB-PLA-11	The ACS must control the satellite attitude +/- 5 ° in all axes
STB-PLA-12	The ACS should be able to receive and process the instructions given by ODB
STB-PLA-13	The ACS shall transmit data to HK ODB
STB-PLA-14	The ACS must allow to compensate the disturbances induced by the deployment in less than a week.

Other requirements on ACS

- The *De-tumble mode* has to recover from the initial tumble condition and reach a stable condition of ≤ 0.5 deg/sec on each axes of the satellite with the magnetic-torquers.
- The *Mission mode* is the nominal mode of the IGOSat. It is activated, when the satellite has reached a stable condition of ≤ 0.5 deg/sec on each axes of the satellite.
- *Caillou mode* is activated, when the satellite is in low battery state (< 50 %) or due to the malfunction of the subsystem(sensor/actuator).
- The *De-tumble mode* should take less than a week to reach a slow steady tumble condition.
- The ACS must control & determine the satellite attitude up to ±5° in all the satellite axes.
- The ACS Controller should have a sampling rate of 1 Hz.
- The sensors and actuator are sampled at the same rate as of controller i.e 1 Hz.



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4. BACKGROUND

4.1 Rotations

Let $R_{A/B}$ or R_{AB} or $R_{B\to A}$ be the rotation matrix from frame B to frame A. If V_A and V_B are the vectors in frame A and B then,

$$V_A = R_{A/B} V_B \qquad \dots (4)$$

The rotation matrix from local orbit frame to Inertial frame is given by,

$$R_{R_{loc}/R_g} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin u \cos \Omega - \cos u \cos i \sin \Omega & -\sin u \sin \Omega + \cos u \cos i \cos \Omega & \cos u \sin i \\ -\sin i \sin \Omega & \sin i \cos \Omega & -\cos i \\ -\cos u \cos \Omega + \sin u \cos i \sin \Omega & -\cos u \sin \Omega - \sin u \cos i \cos \Omega & -\sin u \sin i \end{bmatrix} \dots (5)$$

Which is a rotation based on orbital elements.

4.2 Angular Velocity

The angular velocity ω , is used to examine the angular displacements that occur over time. Angular velocities are dependent on the frame of reference, and are designated by $\omega^b_{c/a}$, which is a rotation from

 R_c with respect to R_a as seen by R_b .

Angular velocities add, but only when they are in the same reference frame. For example, the following relation is valid

$$\omega_{R_{sat}/R_g}^{R_{sat}} = \omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} + \omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{sat}} \qquad \dots (6)$$

When the angular velocities are in different reference frames, however, it is necessary to perform rotations. This is evident in

$$\omega_{R_{sat}/R_g}^{R_{sat}} = R_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}} \omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{loc}} + R_{R_{sat}/R_g} \omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_g} \qquad \dots (7)$$

where the angular velocity is seen by the satellite body frame.



Figure 6: Local orbit & Earth Inertial reference frames

If ω_c is the orbital angular velocity, then the angular velocity of the local orbit frame with respect to the inertial frame is given by,

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$$\omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{loc}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -\omega_c\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

...(8)

This is seen in local orbital frame.

4.3 EARTHS MAGNETIC FIELD

Magneto-torquers are the only actuators for IGOSat. Magnetic control of spacecraft is dependent upon the local magnetic field. The magnetometer measures the local magnetic field of the earth in the spacecraft coordinates system. A discussion on the geomagnetic field is presented in this section. Mathematical models of the geomagnetic field using the International Geomagnetic Reference Field(IGRF) coefficients are implemented and compared with tilted dipole model. In addition, the methods used in the simulation and hardware required for measuring magnetic fields are discussed.

Geomagnetic Field

The magnetic field always flow from North to south pole. In case of earth, the geometric north is the South pole of earth's magnetic field and geometric south is the north pole of the earth's magnetic field. The magnetic field around the Earth resembles that of a uniformly magnetized sphere, or a dipole, which is tilted as shown in **Figure 7**. The fact that it approximates a tilted dipole was discovered in 1600 by William Gilbert, and was published in his treatise *De Magnete*[7]. In 1635, Gellibrand was the first to show that the geomagnetic field is both time and position dependent.



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Figure 7: Earth's Magnetic field map

The strength of the magnetic field is approximately 30000 nT at the equator and 60000 nT at the poles on the surface of the Earth, as mentioned in the Geological Survey of Canada[24].

The magnetic dipole axis, designated as \hat{m} in **Figure 7**, is located at 79.8° N latitude and 107.0° W longitude, in the year 1999. This location is near the Ellef Rignes Island in Canada, and is approximately



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700 miles from the geographic North Pole. The magnetic dipole axis is currently at an inclination angle of 11.5° with the equatorial plane. The axis is drifting westward at about 0.2°/year, and the strength is decreasing by 0.05% per year.

The magnetic field is weakest at the magnetic equator, or the plane perpendicular to the magnetic dipole.

The magnetic field of the Earth is not a constant over time. The magnetic field can be an advantage to the spacecraft. The magnetic field has the ability to change the orientation of a body. While this may act to complicate the dynamics of the spacecraft, when used correctly the magnetic field may be used for satellite control.

4.3.1 THEORY AND MATHEMATICAL MODELS

The Earth's magnetic field can be analytically calculated at any point around the Earth, and it is possible to describe this magnetic field in one particular coordinate system. Two mathematical models are used in my work. One is IGRF magnetic model and tilted dipole model.

In satellites application, this magnetic field is often expressed in geocentric inertial Coordinate system.

$$B_{x} = (B_{r} \cos \delta + B_{\theta} \sin \delta) \cos \alpha - B_{\phi} \sin \alpha$$

$$B_{y} = (B_{r} \cos \delta + B_{\theta} \sin \delta) \sin \delta + B_{\phi} \cos \alpha$$
 ...(9)

$$B_{z} = (B_{r} \sin \delta - B_{\theta} \cos \delta)$$

where r, θ and ϕ are tangential coordinate system parameters (co-elevation and longitude). The magnetic field is a function of both the right ascension α and declination δ .

International Geomagnetic Reference Field(IGRF)

The set of Gaussian coefficients for use in the analytical models describing the Earth's magnetic field are called the International Geomagnetic Reference Field (IGRF). Every five years, a group from the International Association of Geomagnetism and Aeronomy examines the measured geomagnetic field representations and produces the coefficients for that particular year in nT. A specific field model is referred to by including the year of epoch in the name, i.e. IGRF2000. Two sets of coefficients are linearly interpolated to calculate the magnetic field for years in between IGRF epochs. The most recent publication is the IGRF2015.

The Earth's magnetic field, B, can be described as the negative gradient of a scalar potential function, V, $B = -\nabla V$

V is described by a series of spherical harmonics,

$$V(r,\theta,\phi) = R_{\oplus} \sum_{n=1}^{k} \left(\frac{R_{\oplus}}{r}\right)^{n+1} \sum_{m=0}^{n} (g_{n}^{m} \cos m\phi + h_{n}^{m} \sin m\phi) P_{n}^{m}(\theta) \qquad \dots (10)$$

where R_{\oplus} is the equatorial radius of the earth, g_n^m and h_n^m are the Gaussian coefficients, $r, \theta, and \phi$ are the Geo-centric distance, co-elevation and East longitude from Greenwich P_n^m is the associated Legendre function of degree n and order m.

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The Matlab code for Magnetic model using IGRF 2015 is taken from [18].

Tilted dipole model

For analytic purposes, a tilted dipole model of the geomagnetic field can be obtained by calculating the spherical harmonic model to the first degree (n = 1) and all orders (m = 0, 1). The scalar potential, V, becomes

$$V(r,\theta,\phi) = \frac{R_{\oplus}^{3}}{r^{2}} \Big[g_{1}^{0} P_{1}^{0}(\theta) + (g_{1}^{1} \cos \phi + h_{1}^{1} \sin \phi) P_{1}^{1}(\theta) \Big]$$

= $\frac{1}{r^{2}} (g_{1}^{0} R_{\oplus}^{3} \cos \theta + g_{1}^{1} R_{\oplus}^{3} \cos \phi \sin \theta + h_{1}^{1} R_{\oplus}^{3} \sin \phi \sin \theta)$...(11)

The first degree Gaussian coefficients in the year 2015 are

$$g_1^0 = -29442$$

 $g_1^1 = -1501$
 $h_1^1 = 4797$...(12)

The total dipole strength is given by

$$R_{\oplus}^{3}H_{0} = R_{\oplus}^{3}(g_{1}^{0^{2}} + g_{1}^{1^{2}} + h_{1}^{1^{2}})^{1/2} \qquad \dots (13)$$

The co-elevation and East longitude are given by,

$$\theta_{m}^{'} = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{h_{1}^{1}}{g_{1}^{1}}\right) and \phi_{m}^{'} = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{h_{1}^{1}}{g_{1}^{1}}\right) \qquad \dots (14)$$

The magnetic field in the local tangential coordinates is given by

$$B_{r} = 2\left(\frac{R_{\oplus}}{r}\right)^{3} \left[g_{1}^{0}\cos\theta + \left(g_{1}^{1}\cos\phi + h_{1}^{1}\sin\phi\right)\sin\theta\right]$$
$$B_{\theta} = \left(\frac{R_{\oplus}}{r}\right)^{3} \left[g_{1}^{0}\sin\theta - \left(g_{1}^{1}\cos\phi + h_{1}^{1}\sin\phi\right)\cos\theta\right] \qquad \dots (15)$$
$$B_{\phi} = \left(\frac{R_{\oplus}}{r}\right)^{3} \left[g_{1}^{1}\sin\phi - h_{1}^{1}\cos\phi\right]$$

This calculation leads to magnetic field components in geocentric inertial components of

$$B_{x} = \frac{R_{\oplus}^{3}H_{0}}{R^{3}} \Big[3(\hat{\mathbf{m}}.\hat{\mathbf{R}})R_{x} - \sin\theta_{m}^{'}\cos\alpha_{m} \Big]$$

$$B_{y} = \frac{R_{\oplus}^{3}H_{0}}{R^{3}} \Big[3(\hat{\mathbf{m}}.\hat{\mathbf{R}})R_{y} - \sin\theta_{m}^{'}\sin\alpha_{m} \Big] \qquad \dots (16)$$

$$B_{z} = \frac{R_{\oplus}^{3}H_{0}}{R^{3}} \Big[3(\hat{\mathbf{m}}.\hat{\mathbf{R}})R_{z} - \cos\theta_{m}^{'} \Big]$$

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Where
$$\hat{m} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta_{m}^{'} \cos \alpha_{m} \\ \sin \theta_{m}^{'} \sin \alpha_{m} \\ \cos \theta_{m}^{'} \end{bmatrix}$$
 and \hat{R} are the designate unit vectors.
 $\alpha_{m} = \theta_{g0} + \omega_{\oplus}t + \phi_{m}^{'}$...(17)

 θ_{g0} is the Greenwich sidereal time at some reference time, ω_{\oplus} is the average rotation rate of the earth equal to 7.2921152 x 10⁻⁵ rad/sec, *t* is the time since reference.



Figure 8: Comparison of Magnetic field-IGRF & Tilted dipole

- Requires complete IGRF coefficients
 - g -coefficients(195 x 1)
 - h –coefficients (195 x 1)
 - Coefficient order index (195 x 1)
- Requires only 1st order gaussion
 IGRF coefficients (3 x 1)

It is obvious that magnetic field computed using complete IGRF coefficients is more realistic to true magnetic field of the earth. In my simulation, both the magnetic models are considered. A complete IGRF model is used for Magnetometer & Magneto-torquer models in the simulation, while the tilted magnetic model is used in Attitude estimation model. This is because the algorithm for tilted dipole model is less complex and easy to embedded in the flight software.

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4.4 SUN VECTOR FROM EPHEMERIS DATA

At any point of time, the direction vector between the satellite and Sun can be calculated by knowing the position of the satellite (in inertial coordinates) and the time (in UTC).

The algorithm is taken from 1993 Astronomical Almanac, p. C24. (see Appendix[5]). The Matlab code for the sun model is given in Appendix 3.g.

The below figure shows the sun direction calculated for 1 orbit of the satellite. This theoretically computed sun vector is compared with the measured sun vector from the sun sensor and is used in the Attitude Determination System.



Figure 9: Sun vector calculated from ephemeris for 1 orbit



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5. ATTITUDE DYNAMICS AND KINEMATICS

5.1 Dynamics

According to the law of conservation of angular momentum, for any rigid body, the rate of change of angular momentum is equal to the total external torques applied.

 $\frac{dL}{dt} = \tau_{ext}$ Where $L = I\omega$ is the Angular momentum, $I = \begin{bmatrix} I_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_z \end{bmatrix}$ is the Moment of Inertia of the

satellite(symmetrical in our case) & ω is angular velocity.

$$I\dot{\omega} = \omega^{\times} I \omega + \tau_{ext}$$

$$\dot{\omega} = -I^{-1} \omega^{\times} I \omega + I^{-1} \tau_{c} + I^{-1} \tau_{dist} \qquad \dots (18)$$

So for a rigid satellite, if $\omega_{R_{sat}/R_{g}}^{R_{sat}}$ is the angular velocity of the satellite with respect to inertial frame as seen in satellite frame, then

$$\dot{\omega}_{R_{sat}/R_g}^{R_{sat}} = -I^{-1} \omega_{R_{sat}/R_g}^{\times} I \omega_{R_{sat}/R_g} + I^{-1} \tau_c^{R_{sat}} + I^{-1} \tau_{dist}^{R_{sat}} \qquad \dots (19)$$

Where $\tau_c^{R_{sat}}$ & $\tau_{dist}^{R_{sat}}$ are the control and disturbance torques observed in satellite frame R_{sat} .

Recalling equation(6), $\omega_{R_{sat}/R_g}^{R_{sat}} = \omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} + \omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{sat}}$, and substituting in equation(19),

$$\dot{\omega}_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} = -I^{-1} (\omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} + \omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{sat}})^{\times} I (\omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} + \omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{sat}}) + I^{-1} \tau_c^{R_{sat}} + I^{-1} \tau_{dist}^{R_{sat}} - \dot{\omega}_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{sat}}$$
...(20)

This equation describes the Non-linear dynamics in local orbital frame. The control torques and disturbance torques act in the satellite body frame. Since the strength of some disturbances depends on the orientation relative to the local orbit frame, we implement the attitude controller wrt the orbital frame. Also the local orbit frame is considered as equilibrium for many satellite.

The term $\, \varpi^{R_{sat}}_{R_{loc}/R_g} \,$ can be expressed from [22]as, $\omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{sat}} = R_{sat/loc} \omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{loc}} = R_{sat/loc} \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -\omega_c\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ġ

$$\hat{\omega}_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{sat}} = -\omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} R_{sat/loc} \omega_{R_{loc}/R_g}^{R_{loc}} = -\omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} R_{sat/loc} \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -\omega_c\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \dots (21)$$



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5.2 Kinematics

The kinematics of the satellite, is described using the attitude quaternion $q = [q_1 q_2 q_3 q_4]^T$ to represent a rotation. The orientation of the satellite is obtained rotating from the local orbital frame R_{loc} to the satellite frame R_{sat} by the directional cosine (rotation) matrix. The rotation matrix is parameterized by the quaternion, $R_{sat/loc} \Leftrightarrow q_{sat/loc}$. The kinematics of the satellite is then,

$$\dot{q} = \frac{1}{2}\Omega(\omega)q = \frac{1}{2}\Xi(q)\omega$$
Where $\Omega(\omega) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega_3 & -\omega_2 & \omega_1 \\ -\omega_3 & 0 & \omega_1 & \omega_2 \\ \omega_2 & -\omega_1 & 0 & \omega_3 \\ -\omega_1 & -\omega_2 & -\omega_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\Xi(q) = \begin{bmatrix} q_4 & -q_3 & q_2 & q_1 \\ q_3 & q_4 & -q_1 & q_2 \\ -q_2 & q_1 & q_4 & q_3 \\ -q_1 & -q_2 & -q_3 & q_4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \\ q_4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega_3 & -\omega_2 & \omega_1 \\ -\omega_3 & 0 & \omega_1 & \omega_2 \\ \omega_2 & -\omega_1 & 0 & \omega_3 \\ -\omega_1 & -\omega_2 & -\omega_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \\ q_4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} q_4 & -q_3 & q_2 & q_1 \\ q_3 & q_4 & -q_1 & q_2 \\ -q_2 & q_1 & q_4 & q_3 \\ -q_1 & -q_2 & -q_3 & q_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \\ \omega_3 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \dots (22)$$



Figure 10: Satellite dynamics & kinematics in Simulink

Please note that for simplicity, notations have been changed in the Simulink model $R_{sat} \rightarrow b$, $R_{loc} \rightarrow o$, $R_g \rightarrow i$ and $\omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}} \rightarrow w_bo$.

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Figure 12:Inside the dynamics block



Figure 11: Inside the Kinematics block

5.3 Environmental Disturbances Torques

Spacecraft in orbit encounter small disturbance torques from various environmental sources. These torques are either secular, which accumulate over time, or cyclic, which vary sinusoidally over an orbit. Both types are discussed by Hughes[23].

Different environmental torques are more prevalent at different altitudes. In low Earth orbits (LEO) the largest environmental torques are gravity-gradient, magnetic, and aerodynamic. In this analysis, we considered these three torques for the study.



Figure 13: Disturbance models in Simulink

5.3.1 GRAVITY-GRADIENT TORQUE

A gravity-gradient torque exists because of the variation in the gravitational field. Since the gravitational force field varies with the inverse square of the distance from the Earth, there is a greater force on the portion of the spacecraft closer to the Earth.

The gravity-gradient torque is constant for Earth-oriented spacecraft and cyclic for initially oriented vehicles. It is mainly influenced by the moment of inertia of the spacecraft and the altitude of the orbit. From Newton's Universal Gravitational Law,

$$d\vec{f}_g = -\frac{GM\,dm}{r^2}\,\hat{e}_r$$

where G is the universal gravitational constant, M is the mass of the spherical primary, dm is the mass of a mass element of the body in orbit, r is the radial distance from the mass center of the primary to the mass element, and \hat{e}_r is a unit vector from the mass center of the primary to the mass element. A simplified derivation for gravity-gradient torque, τ_{gg} , from[9] is presented here,

$$\tau_{gg} = -3\omega_c^2 \hat{o}_3^{\times} I . \hat{o}_3 \qquad ...(23)$$

where $\omega_c = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r^2}}$ and \hat{o}_3 is the third column of the rotation matrix $R_{sat/loc}$

If only gravity torque is assumed in the orbit with initial conditions (10, 10, 40 deg), then it varies as follows in the orbit,

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Maximum gravity torque observed,



Figure 14: Gravity gradient over the orbit



Figure 15: Gravity gradient disturbance in simulink

5.3.2 AERODYNAMIC TORQUE

This is due to the drag with the atmosphere and primarily affects satellites in LEO. The maximum possible torque is given by:

$$\tau_a = \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 C_D A L$$

Where, C_D is the Coefficient of drag, A is the cross sectional area, L is distance b/w center of pressure and Gravity. One of the CubeSat design requirements is that the spacecraft CG be within 2 cm of the geometric center of the spacecraft.

It is important to remember that the aerodynamic drag sets the absolute limit on the lifecycle for any satellite without heave/altitude compensation. The orbit speed will eventually decrease so much, the satellite will fall towards Earth and burn up in the atmosphere. The IGOSAT is aimed for 1-year mission at 650 Km and return back to earth after a year.

Hughes [10] suggests an expression for the aerodynamic drag,



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$$\tau_{a} = \rho_{a} v_{orb} \left[v_{orb} A_{drag} c_{p} \hat{V}_{orb} - (I + \hat{V}_{orb} J) \omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} \right] \hat{V}_{orb} \qquad \dots (24)$$

Where, $\, \rho_{a} \, \cdot \, {\rm density} \, {\rm of} \, {\rm the} \, {\rm atmosphere} \, {\rm in} \, {\rm kg/m^{3}}$

 v_{orb} - magnitude of orbit velocity vector (constant)

 A_{drag} - projected 2-dimensional surface area facing the velocity direction

 c_p - center of pressure

 $\hat{V_{\textit{orb}}}$ - unit velocity direction

I - moment of inertia

J - new moment of inertia for drag which is slightly off center from the normal I .

The Matlab code for aerodynamic drag is given in Appendix- 3.c.

5.3.3 MAGNETIC RESIDUAL TORQUES

This is a torque due to the magnetic field being created by the non-magnetorquer components of the satellite and includes residual magnetic field in the structure and that being generated by the operating electronic components. Since the governing equation is the same for the torque control itself, its magnitude can be related to torque ability as the ratio of the residual magnetic field to the induced dipole of the magnetorquers. The residual field was not measured, but it is reasonable to assume that it is at most one fifth of the torque field according to [11].



Figure 16: Magnetic residual torques in Simulink

In the simulations, we consider a residual moment of $m_r = [0.001, -0.001, 0.005]^T$ A-m². Which is a very large, indeed, favors the simulation confidence. Residual torques are computed by the cross product between the residual magnetic moment and the Earth's magnetic field strength **B** in satellite body frame coordinates.

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Comparison of Disturbance torques



Figure 17: Comparison of disturbance torques

Max Disturbance	Along X (N-m)	Along Y(N-m)	Along Z (N-m)
torque			
Gravity gradient	0.38 × 10 ⁻⁷	0.43 × 10 ⁻⁷	0 N-m
torque			
Aerodynamic torque	0.172 × 10 ⁻⁷	0.174 × 10 ⁻⁷	0.11 × 10 ⁻⁷
Magnetic residual	0.156 × 10 ⁻⁷	0.13 × 10 ⁻⁷	0.03 × 10 ⁻⁷
torque			
Total Disturbance	0.708 × 10 ⁻⁷	0.734 × 10 ⁻⁷	0.14 × 10 ⁻⁷
torque			

6. ATTITUDE CONTROL

Attitude Control of a satellite is classified as 1. Active control & 2. Passive control.

A passive controller for a CubeSat can be set up quite easy using strong rare-earth magnets. Most suitable way of stabilizing the CubeSat's is *Nadir pointing*, in which satellite longitudinal axes is pointed towards the earth center. It is also assumed that stable condition is when the satellite axes is coincided with the local orbital axes.

Before we go into the Control theory, let us first see the dynamics of Magnetorquers.

6.1 Actuator Dynamics

The magnetorquers are the only actuators available for attitude control of the IGOSat. A total of 2 ferromagnetic torque rods and 1 air-core torquer from *Cubespace* are used.

The two torque rods are aligned with X & Y axis of satellite, while the air-core torquer is along the Z axis.

When electrical current is supplied through the windings of the coils, a magnetic dipole field will be created. The magnetic dipole can be described as a vector, and the vector will be perpendicular to the coil, pointing in the direction of the extended thumb of one's hand according to the right-hand rule.

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Figure 18: Magnetic torque rod & air-core torquer[13]

	Cube Torque rod	Cube Coil
Manufacturer	CubeSpace	CubeSpace
	60 (L) x 10 (d) mm (rod only)	90 x 96 x 6 mm
Dimensions	18 x 14 x 62 mm(with mounting)	
Mass	28 g	46 g
Operating Temperature	-35°C to +75°C	N/A
Maximum moment	±0.24 Am ² (@ 25°C , 2.5 V)	±0.13 Am ² (@ 25°C, 5 V)
Resistance	30 ohm	82 - 84 Ohm
Voltage Supply	N/A	-
Residual moment:	< 0.48 mAm ²	0 Am ²

Characteristics of torque-rods & air-core torquer:

When this field reacts with the local geomagnetic field, a magnetic moment is generated. In a very intuitive way, the magnetic field generated by the magnetorquers will try to align itself with the local geomagnetic field surrounding the satellite at that particular place.

$$m^{sat} = m_x^{sat} + m_y^{sat} + m_z^{sat}$$
$$\tau_x^{sat} = m^{sat} \times B^{sat}$$

Where $m^{sat} = \frac{NAV}{R}$ is the magnetic moment, B^{sat} = Geomagnetic field in satellite frame axes. *N*=no. of windings, *A*= c/s of torque rod, *R*= Resistance in coil, *V*=voltage applied.

In our design, $m_x^{sat} \& m_y^{sat}$ are the magnetic moments generated by torque rods on X & Y axis of satellite. While m_z^{sat} is magnetic moment produced by cubecoil on Z-axis.

The earth's geomagnetic field allows only 2-axis control of the satellite at an instant. So by the definition of controllability [21], our system is uncontrollable. The 3-axis stability/control is achieved over time. Another drawback of magnetic control is, the torque τ_m , produced by the torque rod is perpendicular to the **m** & **B**. But the required torque (τ_d) is not often perpendicular to the **m** & **B**. So one has to do some modifications to the control algorithms as per[12].

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Figure 20: Satellite controllability with magneto-torquers[25]

Figure 19: Magnetic moment, field and Torque relation

From Figure 19,

 $m = \tau \times B$

The following expression is used for the desired moment as derived in [12],

$$m_d^{sat} = \frac{1}{|B^{sat}|^2} \left(B^{sat} \times \tau_d^{sat} \right) \qquad \dots (25)$$

The stability analysis on this formulation is given in [21] and is presented in *Appendix 2*. With the torque rod specifications[19], If a voltage of 2.5 V is supplied to the torque rod, it produces a maximum current of $i_{r_{max}} = 0.24 Am^2$. Similarly for Aircoil, a 5V supply produces a maximum current of $i_{c_{max}} = 0.13 Am^2$.

According to a conservative estimate made by Fauske (2002), a magnetic field of 0.02Am² is more than enough to control the satellite.

Coming to the Attitude Control, lets recall our operating modes

Mode	Controller(control law)
De-tumbling	Desired torque control
Nominal	PID control

6.2 De-tumbling Control

During launching the satellite into the orbit, there may be rotation rates induced by the launcher on the satellite. Hence these should be damped to stabilize the spacecraft. Detumbling consists of damping the angular velocity of a spacecraft to zero. Many detumbling controller algorithms are available from the literature. we analyze the performance of the b-dot, B-bang bang & desired torque control laws and compare the power & time consumed for tumbling the satellite.

The *b***-dot control** law takes advantage of the fact that the derivative of the magnetic field vector \dot{b} is both perpendicular to *b* and proportional to ω , hence the commanded magnetic dipole can be expressed as:

$$m_c = -k\dot{b} \qquad \dots (26)$$

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where **k** is a positive gain and chosen according to [14]. In order to speed up the spacecraft spin rate decay, it is also possible to employ a **B bang-bang** solution of the form:

$$m_c = -m_{\rm max}\,{\rm sgn}(\dot{b}) \qquad \dots (27)$$

where m_{max} is the maximum torquer dipole. Since \dot{b} can be estimated from onboard measurements of the magnetic field, no information about the angular velocity of the satellite is required by eqs. (26) and (27). On the other hand, attitude information is typically available from onboard sensors, and the following alternative control law (*desired torque control*) can be used:

$$m_{c} = \frac{-k_{\omega}}{\|b\|^{2}} (b \times \omega) \qquad \dots (28)$$

where k_{ω} is a positive gain and $(b \times \omega) \approx \dot{b} \propto \omega$.

6.3 PID Control

The following control law is used for the Nominal mode of IGOSat,

$$\tau_d = -K_p \varepsilon_e - K_i \int_0^t \varepsilon_e dt - K_d \omega_e \qquad \dots (29)$$

Where K_p , K_i and K_d are the PID gains chosen proportional to the Inertia I. So that the control torque along each axis is proportional to satellite mass distribution.

$$K_{p} = k_{p} I \quad K_{i} = k_{i} I \text{ and } K_{d} = k_{d} I \qquad ...(30)$$

Therefore k_p , k_i and k_d are PID tuning parameters. The initial stable gains are computed from the Matlab PID tuner with chosen settling time around 2000 seconds & rise time of 1500 seconds. There by gains are manually changed for the optimal gain calculation (section 9.4).

 q_e and ω_e are the quaternion & angular velocity error between the desired to the current state in local orbital frame.

$$q_{e} = \begin{bmatrix} q_{d_{4}} & q_{d_{3}} & -q_{d_{2}} & -q_{d_{1}} \\ -q_{d_{3}} & q_{d_{4}} & q_{d_{1}} & -q_{d_{2}} \\ q_{d_{2}} & -q_{d_{1}} & q_{d_{4}} & -q_{d_{3}} \\ q_{d_{1}} & q_{d_{2}} & q_{d_{3}} & q_{d_{4}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_{s_{1}} \\ q_{s_{2}} \\ q_{s_{3}} \\ q_{s_{4}} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \omega_{e} = \omega_{s} - \omega_{d} \qquad \dots(31)$$

Where q_d and q_s are the desired and current attitude of the quaternion $q_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}$.

 $arnothing_d$ and $arnothing_s$ are the desired and current angular rates of $arnothing_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}}$.

Therefore, magnetic moment for the actuator can be computed as from eq(25),

$$m_{d} = \frac{1}{|B^{sat}|^{2}} \left(B^{sat} \times \left(-K_{p} \varepsilon_{e} - K_{i} \int_{0}^{t} \varepsilon_{e} dt - K_{d} \omega \right) \right) \qquad \dots (32)$$

Where B^{sat} is the local magnetic field in satellite frame.

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6.4 Combined De-tumble & PID Control

The De-tumbling and PID controllers are embedded into one control block. According to the IGOSat requirements, the transition between De-tumbling and PID is automatic and is switched to PID when the angular rates reach less than 0.5 °/ sec on each axis of the satellite.

We choose the *desired torque* control law for the De-tumbling mode.



Figure 21: Combined de-tumbling & PID control in Simulink

Inputs

		Size	Туре
Control gains	$\begin{bmatrix} k_p & k_i & k_d \end{bmatrix}^T$	3 x 1	double
Guidance (R_c)	$\left[q_{c} \; \dot{ \phi} \; \dot{ heta} \; \dot{ \psi} ight]$	7 x 1	double
Current attitude & rates	$\left[q \; \omega \right]_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{T}$	7 x 1	double
Magnetic field(in tesla)		3 x 1	double
Time (in UTC)		1 x 6	double
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Outputs

		Size	Туре
Voltage to torquer (V)		3 x 1	double
Attitude error quaternion	b/w desired & current	4 x 1	double

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7. ATTITUDE DETERMINATION

The orientation of a spacecraft can be determined by describing the rotation between a spacecraft-fixed reference frame and a known reference frame. This description is accomplished by finding rotations between measured attitude vectors and known quantities. For example, a Sun sensor determines the vector, s^b from the spacecraft to the Sun in the satellite body frame R_{sat} .

Since the vector in the inertial frame, s^i , can be calculated from ephemeris data, the following relation is useful

$$s^b = R_{R_{sat}/R_g} s^i \qquad \dots (33)$$

Where $R_{R_{eat}/R_{a}}$ is rotation matrix from Inertial frame to satellite frame.

A similar relation is valid for magnetic field vector m^b from magnetometer and earth vector e^b measured by earth sensor.

Sensor/Actuator	Model	Manufacturer	Number needed	Power Requirement	Bandwidth	Input	Output
	Photocells						
Sun sensor	VT90N2	EXCELITAS	5	5mW	-	Solar flux	Sun vector
	Honeywell					Magnetic	Magnetic
Magnetometer	HMC 2003	Honeywell	1	42 mW	1 kHz	value	vector
							Pitch &
							Roll(earth
Earth Sensor	MLX90615	Melexis	1	26.7 mW	10 - 100 kHz	Temperature	direction)
		StMicroelect			105/208/		
3 axis - Gyros	A3G4250D	ronics	1	21 mW	420/840 Hz	-	Angular rate

Table 1: Summary of Attitude Sensors in IGOSat

There are many ways to estimate attitude using these sensors. I present you some possible ways from the literature.

- 1) Using UKF[16]
 - This is the considered to be most reliable attitude estimation approach as the complete non-linear system is considered & the algorithm is complicated to program. (requires to program many supporting functions to the flight software).
 - Satellite non-linear dynamics are coded in the state transition (requires to measure the control torques, disturbance torques...)
 - Biases of the gyros & magnetometer are considered in the state vector (however initial biases has to be computed from the tests).
 - Need to have magnetic field model, sun model & earth model (requires position & time).
 - Prediction & update is based on the previous estimate.
 - Has higher performance in the case of magnetometer is turned off and eclipse scenarios.

2) Using EKF

• Requirements for EKF are similar to UKF but simpler in implementation.

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- Can be more simplified by taking less states in state vector (only quaternion & bias).
- 3) Simple Linear KF approach from the CONSAT[15] attitude estimate
 - Here state vector constitutes of quaternion and gyro bias.
 - The magnetometer bias is assumed constant.
 - Attitude quaternions computed from sensors (by TRIAD) are used in measurement update step. (requires sun, earth & magnetometer to calculate attitude separately).
 - Linear Kalman filter is used to estimate the attitude.

In our method, we combine (2) & (3) approaches. we use the gyros in the state vector prediction and sun, earth & magnetometer are in the measurement step and there by *Extended Kalman filter* is used for computing the Kalman gain. This kind of implementation has advantages in eclipses & magnetometer turned off scenario.



Attitude Determination Block

Figure 22: Attitude Determination System-process

Sensor	Measurement vector	Source of reference vector
Sun sensor	Unit sun vector	Solar Ephemeris
Magnetometer	Magnetic field vector	Tilted dipole model
Earth sensor	Unit earth/nadir vector	S/C Position

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The gyros sense the angular rates wrt to Inertial frame. So the initial attitude estimate is wrt Inertial frame and thereby expressed in local orbit frame with known satellite position & velocity.

Magnetic field from Attitude determination system

It is known that the Attitude controller requires the local magnetic field. But due to the limitation of magnetometer design, the magnetometer couldn't be placed far away to the magneto-torquer. This effects the magnetometer in measuring local magnetic field while the magneto-torquer is turned on. So the team decided to use the magnetometer and magneto-torquer periodically. i.e, magnetometer is turned off whenever the magneto-torquer is turned on and vice versa.

Considering this, our attitude determination system also gives local magnetic field to controller. This benefits us of using magnetic field from mathematical modal whenever the magnetometer is turned off.



Figure 23: Magnetic field when magnetometer is turned off

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From the above figure, it is seen that when the magnetometer is turned off, the field is not available (*NaN*). In this case, the Attitude determination block computes the magnetic field from the stored magnetic model and given to the attitude controller.

7.1 State vector

The Extended Kalman Filter (EKF) is an optimal recursive method for linear state estimation in presence of noisy measurements. The original formulation applies to linear dynamic systems[15]. For spacecraft attitude estimation, where attitude sensors and gyros are available, it is customary to define the state vector composed by,

$$x = [q \ b]^T$$

Where

 $q = q_{R_{sat}/R_g}$ is the quaternion that transforms from inertial to satellite frame. b = gyros bias.

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q} \\ \dot{b} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \Omega(\omega) q \\ 0_{3\times 3} \end{bmatrix} + w \qquad \dots (34)$$

where w is the dynamical white noise representing uncertainties in the model, with covariance Q, i.e. w = N(0, Q). The discrete measurement model is given by:

$$y_k = H_k x_k + v_k \qquad \qquad \dots (35)$$

where H_k is the measurement matrix (see section 7.1.2), y_k is the sensor measured vector, and v_k is the gaussian white noise with covariance matrix R_k , i.e. $v_k = N(0, R_k)$.

The sun and earth sensors are unavailable when the sun and earth are not in the sensors field of view. While the magnetometer is turned off whenever the magneto-torquer is turned on. Considering these limitations of the sensors, we choose gyros as the base sensor for attitude estimation. The angular rates from gyros are considered in the state prediction step, while the sun, earth & magnetic field vectors are considered in the measurement step.

7.2 Filter Propagation & Prediction

Our implementation is similar to [17]. We use the gyros in the state prediction, so the priori estimate is given by, (higher order terms are neglected in quaternion prediction (see Appendix 6)).

$$x_{k+1}^{-} = \begin{bmatrix} q_{k+1}^{-} \\ b_{k+1}^{-} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} q_{k}^{+} \\ b_{k}^{+} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\Delta t}{2} \Omega(\widehat{\omega}_{k+1}) q_{k}^{+} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \dots (36)$$

 $\Omega(\omega) = \begin{bmatrix} -\omega^{\times} & \omega \\ -\omega^{T} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Where, $\hat{\omega}_{k+1} = \tilde{\omega}_{m}|_{k+1} - b_{k}^{+}$ is the true angular rate from the measured gyro $\tilde{\omega}_{m}$.

From the state transition equation (34), the Jacobian of the state vector is derived in [16]. The angular rate $\hat{\omega}_{k+1}$ is a function of system dynamics(control & disturbances torques). So the state Jacobian in our case becomes,

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 $F = \begin{bmatrix} 1_{4\times4} + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \Omega(\widehat{\omega}_{k+1}) & 0_{4\times3} \\ 0_{3\times3} & 1_{3\times3} \end{bmatrix}_{7\times7}$ The priori estimate of the state covariance is given as,

$$P_{k+1}^{-}|_{7\times7} = P_{k}^{+} F P_{k}^{+^{T}} + Q_{d_{7\times7}} \qquad ...(38)$$

...(37)

The initial state noise covariance is given by,

$$P_0^+ = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{quat}^2 & 0_{4\times 3} \\ 0_{3\times 3} & \sigma_{bias}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

According to [17], discrete noise covariance in our case becomes,

$$Q_{d} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & O_{3\times4} & Q_{12} \\ & O_{1\times7} \\ Q_{12}^{T} & O_{3\times4} & Q_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q_{11} = \sigma_{r}^{2} \Delta t \cdot 1_{3\times3} + \sigma_{w}^{2} \cdot \left(1_{3\times3} \frac{\Delta t^{3}}{3} + \frac{\left(|\hat{\omega}| \Delta t \right)^{3}}{3} + 2\sin\left(|\hat{\omega}| \Delta t \right) - 2 |\hat{\omega}| \Delta t}{|\hat{\omega}|^{5}} \cdot \lfloor \hat{\omega} \times \rfloor^{2} \right)$$

$$Q_{12} = -\sigma_{w}^{2} \cdot \left(1_{3\times3} \frac{\Delta t^{2}}{2} - \frac{|\hat{\omega}| \Delta t - \sin\left(|\hat{\omega}| \Delta t \right)}{|\hat{\omega}|^{3}} \cdot \lfloor \hat{\omega} \times \rfloor + \frac{\left(|\hat{\omega}| \Delta t \right)^{2} + \cos\left(|\hat{\omega}| \Delta t \right) - 1}{|\hat{\omega}|^{4}} \cdot \lfloor \hat{\omega} \times \rfloor^{2} \right)$$

$$Q_{22} = \sigma_w^2 \Delta t. 1_{3\times 3}$$

7.3 Measurement model & Update

There are 3 models implemented in the attitude EKF one for each type of measurement. In order from top to bottom, sun sensor model, magnetic field model and the earth sensor model:

The Measurement vectors from the sensors are formulated as,

$$y_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} s_{3\times 1}^{b} \\ m_{3\times 1}^{b} \\ e_{3\times 1}^{b} \end{bmatrix}_{9\times 1} \dots (39)$$

The magnetometer biases m_{bias} is computed offline by sensor testing and is considered in magnetometer data $m^b_{3\times 1} = \tilde{m}^b_{3\times 1} - m_{bias}$

Measurement prediction is given by,



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$$\hat{y}_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} M(q_{k+1}^{-})_{3\times 3} s_{3\times 1}^{i} \\ M(q_{k+1}^{-})_{3\times 3} m_{3\times 1}^{i} \\ M(q_{k+1}^{-})_{3\times 3} e_{3\times 1}^{i} \end{bmatrix}_{9\times 1} \dots (40)$$

 $M(q^-_{k+1})_{\scriptscriptstyle 3\! imes\!3}$ is the rotation matrix of the quaternion q^-_{k+1} from the prediction step

The measurement model is adopted from[16] and is given by

 $H_{ss} = \begin{bmatrix} \eta \mathbf{1}_{3\times 3} + \varepsilon^{\times} \\ -\varepsilon^{T} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \begin{bmatrix} (s^{i})^{\times} & s^{i} \\ -(s^{i})^{T} & 0 \end{bmatrix},$

Magnetometer, Earth sensor,

Sun sensor,

Combined

$$H_{mg} = \begin{bmatrix} \eta \mathbf{1}_{3\times3} + \varepsilon^{\times} \\ -\varepsilon^{T} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \begin{bmatrix} (m^{i})^{\times} & m^{i} \\ -(m^{i})^{T} & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$H_{es} = \begin{bmatrix} \eta \mathbf{1}_{3\times3} + \varepsilon^{\times} \\ -\varepsilon^{T} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \begin{bmatrix} (e^{i})^{\times} & e^{i} \\ -(e^{i})^{T} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} H_{ss} \vdots \\ H_{mg} \vdots \mathbf{0}_{9\times3} \\ H_{es} \vdots \end{bmatrix}_{9\times7}$$
...(41)

Where ε and η are the vector & scalar part of the quaternion q_{k+1}^- .

 H_{k+1} is a 9 x 7 matrix & $s^i m^i e^i$ are the sun direction, magnetic field and earth direction unit vectors in the inertial frame computed from the ephemeris & magnetic models(see *Appendix 4 & 5*). EKF Update equations are as follows,

$$S_{k+1} = H_{k+1}P_{k+1}^{-}H_{k+1}^{T} + R_{9\times9}$$

$$K_{k+1} = P_{k+1}^{-}H_{k+1}^{T}S_{k+1}^{-1}$$

$$x_{k+1}^{+} = x_{k+1}^{-} + K_{k+1}(y_{k+1} - \hat{y}_{k+1})$$

$$P_{k+1}^{+} = P_{k+1}^{-} - K_{k+1}H_{k+1}P_{k+1}^{-}$$

$$dx = x_{k+1}^{+} - x_{k+1}^{-}$$
...(42)

State error

Where K_{k+1} is the 7 x 9 Kalman gain, and R is the measurement noise covariance,

	$\sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle ss}^{\scriptscriptstyle 2} 1_{\scriptscriptstyle 3\! imes\!3}$	0 _{3×3}	0 _{3×3}	
<i>R</i> =	0 _{3×3}	$\sigma^2_{\scriptscriptstyle mg} 1_{\scriptscriptstyle 3 imes 3}$	0 _{3×3}	
	0 _{3×3}	0 _{3×3}	$\sigma^2_{es} 1_{3 imes 3}$	9

Where σ_{ss} , σ_{mg} and σ_{es} are the measurement noise standard deviation in sun sensor, magnetometer and earth sensors respectively.

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 $x_{k+1}^+ = \begin{bmatrix} q_{k+1}^+ & b_{k+1}^+ \end{bmatrix}_{R_{sat}/R_g}^T$ is the Kalman estimated attitude in Inertial frame. The Attitude controller

requires attitude wrt to local orbit frame. Using the Orbit information, the attitude wrt orbit can be determined.

The tuning parameters $Q_{7\times7}$ and $R_{9\times9}$ are the state & measurement noise covariance's that are computed from the sensors tests.



Figure 24: EKF Process

	Size	Туре
Position in Inertial frame (Km)	3 x 1	double
Velocity in Inertial frame (Km/sec)	3 x 1	double
Angular velocity from gyros(rad/ sec)		
Time in UTC	1 x 6	double
[YYYY MM DD HH mm ss]		
Unit sun vector	3 x 1	double
Magnetic field vector	3 x 1	double
Unit Earth/nadir vector	3 x 1	double

Inputs

Outputs

		Size	Туре
State wrt Inertial	$\begin{bmatrix} q_{4 imes 1} & \omega_{3 imes 1} & b_{3 imes 1} \end{bmatrix}_{R_{sat}/R_g}^T$	10 x1	double
State wrt local orbit frame	$\begin{bmatrix} q_{4 imes 1} & \omega_{3 imes 1} \end{bmatrix}_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{T}$	7 x1	double
State error wrt Inertial	$\begin{bmatrix} q_{4 imes 1} & arnothing_{3 imes 1} \end{bmatrix}_{R_{sat}/R_g}^T$	7 x 1	double
Magnetic field		3 x 1	double
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8. SIMULINK



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Rigid body satellite sub-system block



Dynamics subsystem block



Kinematics subsystem block



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Disturbance block



Gravity gradient



Residual torque



Actuator (magnetorquer)



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Attitude Control



Attitude Determination block



Power Budget block





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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

A brief instructions to operate the Simulink model is presented in the Simulink itself.

Before running it, please keep the following points in mind,

- 1. The Attitude control with Magneto-torquers are verified for only nadir and nadir with spin along- Z_{sat} axis. The Desired attitude frame R_c is comprised of six parameters.
 - a) For nadir with spin, the desired attitude frame R_c is defined by,

$$\varphi = 0$$

$$\theta = 0$$

$$\psi = spinrate \times t$$

$$\dot{\phi} = 0$$

$$\dot{\theta} = 0$$

$$\dot{\psi} = spinrate (= 0.1^{\circ} / sec)$$

b) For nadir (no spin), the desired attitude frame R_c is defined by,

$$\varphi = 0, \ \theta = 0, \ \psi = 0, \ \dot{\varphi} = 0, \ \dot{\theta} = 0, \ \dot{\psi} = 0$$

- 2. A switch to turn-off the disturbances (gravity, aerodynamic & residual), Attitute estimation and control are to be checked before running the simulation.
- 3. Choosing the sampling time of sensors, attitude estimation, and simulation step are to be entered in the Initialization file "*orbitParameters.m*". Satellite characteristics, actuator and orbital information are also entered in the same file.
- 4. Set the VTS directory in "toVTS.m" file.
- 5. The Simulink file and its supported Matlab files should be in the same directory.

Steps to operate

- 1. Double click the block (in blue colour) to load the orbital elements.
- 2. Enter the initial conditions in degress.
- 3. Enter the AOCS mode(default is set to combined detumble & PID)
 - Detumble 1
 - Mission 2
 - Combined 3
 - Caullou 4
- 4. Run the simulation.
- 5. Double click the red block to generate attitude file for VTS.

After the simulation is performed, the results can be exported to VTS for 3D visualization of attitude. In VTS,



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- Set the VTS Initializing parameters(directory,....)
- Load the 3ds file of IGOSAT
- Load positions & quaternion texts file generated by Simulink.
- Click on run.

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9. RESULTS

The following parameters are considered in the simulation

Orbital parameters

Altitude	650 Km
Eccentricity	0
longitude of the ascending node	37.9 deg
Orbit Inclination	98.6
Argument of perigee	0 deg
Mean Anomaly	0 deg

Launch date is 15th June 2018 at 00:00 IST.

Satellite characteristics

Length	34.5 cm
breadth	10 cm
height	10 cm
Mass	3.77 kg

Actuator characteristics

	Along x	Along y	Along z
Maximum moment(A- m²)	± 0.2	± 0.2	± 0.2
Maximum Voltage(V)	2.5	2.5	5

Sampling time

Magnetometer	Sun sensor	Earth sensor	Gyros	Attitude control	Attitude determination
1 Hz	1 Hz	1 Hz	1 Hz	1 Hz	1 Hz

Please note that gravity gradient, aerodynamic and magnetic residual torques are considered in all the simulations except in the optimal gain calculation (section 9.4), where only gravity torque is considered.

9.1 Detumbling Results

As mentioned in section 6.2, a total of 3 de-tumbling control laws are tested for 5 orbits.

Initial attitude and angular rates with respect to orbit are considered to be,

Along x $\varphi(deg)$	Along y θ (deg)	Along z Ψ(deg)	$\omega_x(deg/sec)$	$\omega_y(deg/sec)$	$\omega_z(deg/sec)$
10	10	40	10	10	10

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B-dot control law



Figure 25: Angular rates & Magnetic moment : B-dot control



B-bang bang control law

Figure 26: Angular rates & Magnetic moment : B-bang bang control

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Desired torque control law



Figure 27: Angular rates & Magnetic moment : Desired torque control law

Comparison

	B-dot	B-bang bang	Desire torque control
Tumbling time to reach 0.5 deg/sec	~0.6 orbits	~0.5 orbits	~0.6 orbits
Power consumed(maH)	86.5 maH	1845 maH	82.1 maH

It clearly seen that *B*-bang bang tumbles faster but the performance is not smooth in reaching the tumble state. Also the power consumed is far higher compared to other control laws.

According to the QB50 CubeSat requirements, the de-tumbling controller should be able to tumble the initial 40 deg/sec on each axis. The initial conditions with respect to orbit are,

Along x $arphi$ (deg)	Along y $ heta$ (deg)	Along z Ψ(deg)	$\omega_x(deg/sec)$	$\omega_y(deg/sec)$	$\omega_z(deg/sec)$
10	10	10	40	35	25

B-bang bang



Figure 28: Angular rates & Magnetic moment (40°/sec) : B-bang bang control

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<u>B-dot</u>



Figure 29: Angular rates & Magnetic moment(40°/sec) : B-dot control

Desired torque control law

Here we observe that with the sampling time 1 Hz, the desired torque control couldn't damp the roatations and indeed increases the rotation(see beside figure).

So we reduced samling time to 2 Hz.





	Desired torque control
Tumbling time to reach 0.5 deg/sec	~1.7 orbits
Power consumed(maH)	949.5 maH

Figure 30: Angular rates & Magnetic moment(40°/sec): Desired torque control law

Though desired torque control damps faster and consumed less power, it is observed an unexpected behavior at 0.6 orbit even after changing to 2 Hz. From this simulation shows that, desired torque control is not valid for higher rotation rates with a sampling time of 1 Hz. While the both B-dot & B-bang bang shows good performance with higher initial angular rates & of sampling time at 1 Hz. Although power consumption is little higher in B-bang bang, it reached the tumbling state little slower than B-dot.

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	B-dot	B-bang bang	Desire torque control
Tumbling time to reach 0.5 deg/sec	~2.8 orbits	~3 orbits	~1.7 orbits
Power consumed(maH)	1836 maH	1845 maH	949.5 maH

In our further work, we decided to implement B-dot control for de-tumbling.

9.2 PID Control Results

PID control is used for the nominal mission mode. The satellite should be nadir pointing with a spin of 0.1° /sec in Z-axis.

So our Desired roll, pitch & yaw with respect to local orbital axes will varies as shown in beside figure,

The PID gains are, $k_p = 4e^{-5}$, $k_i = 2e^{-10}$ and $k_d = 2e^{-2}$

These are the optimal gains which are calculated in the section 9.4.

The initial conditions of the satellite with respect to local orbital frame are,



Along x $arphi$ (deg)	Along y <i>θ</i> (deg)	Along z Ψ (deg)	$\omega_x(deg/sec)$	$\omega_y(deg/sec)$	$\omega_z(deg/sec)$
10	10	40	0.1	0.2	1

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Figure 31: Nominal mode(PID) control for 10 orbits

9.3 Combined De-tumble & PID Control

According to attitude requirements the switching between detumbling mode & Nominal mode should be automatic. So the switching to Nominal (PID) control is defined based on angular velocity reaching \leq 0.5 deg/sec on each axis.

Initial condition with respect to orbit are,

Along x $arphi$ (deg)	Along y $ heta$ (deg)	Along z Ψ(deg)	$\omega_x(deg/sec)$	$\omega_y(deg/sec)$	$\omega_z(deg/sec)$
10	10	10	10	10	10

We observe that tumbling is achieved in ~0.9 orbit and detumbling is switched to PID after 0.9 orbit i.e, angular velocity at \leq 0.5 deg/sec.

The power consumed for this combination and for 5 orbits is 268.5 maH.





Figure 32: Combined De-tumble & PID controller

9.4 Optimal Gain Calculation

In this section, we consider only gravity gradient torque for the optimal gain calculation.

Since $k_i = 2e^{-10}$ is very small and seems to not influence much the control performance, we decided to tune only k_p and k_d . And note that the gains are proportional to the mass matrix *I*.

We use the parameters *mean attitude error* and *power consumption* criteria for the optimal gain calculation. A map of various gains with their power consumption & mean attitude error are plotted and optimal gain region is defined by balancing the power consumption & mean attitude error.

minute							
	Along x	Along y	Along z	$\omega_r(deg/sec)$	$\omega_{y}(deg/sec)$	$\omega_{\tau}(deg/sec)$	
	arphi(deg)	θ(deg)	Ψ (deg)		y cr y	2	
10		10	40	0.1	0.2	0.3	

Initial conditions considered are

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Figure 35: Nominal mode with $k_p = 4e^{-4}$, $k_i = 2e^{-10}$ and $k_d = 2e^{-2}$

	k _ρ	k _d	Roll error (deg)	Pitch error (deg)	Yaw error (deg)	Power consumed(maH)
Case I	4,00E-06	2,00E-02	5,225	4,932	15,67	7,61
Case II	4,00E-05	2,00E-02	2,969	2,629	7,73	10,39
Case III	4,00E-04	6,00E-02	0,6466	0,4925	2,878	22,08

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A further different gains are simulated as tabulated below,

S no	k _ρ	k _d	Roll error (deg)	Pitch error (deg)	Yaw error (deg)	Power consumed(maH)
1	1,00E-08	1,00E-02	10,2	8,1	66,45	6,95
2	4,00E-08	1,00E-08	10,15	8,06	66,28	6,94
3	1,00E-07	1,00E-02	10,14	8,082	66,3	6,9
4	1,00E-07	2,00E-02	5,59	5,338	26,67	7,262
5	1,00E-06	2,00E-02	5,5	5,24	23,33	7,3
6	3,00E-06	2,00E-02	5,344	5,033	17,55	7,506
7	4,00E-06	2,00E-02	5,2	4,93	15,67	7,61
8	7,00E-06	2,00E-02	4,985	4,635	13,19	7,92
9	9,00E-06	2,00E-02	4,8	4,4	12,07	8,1
10	1,00E-05	2,00E-02	4,724	4,345	11,62	8,2
11	4,00E-05	2,00E-02	2,969	2,629	7,73	10,39
12	5,00E-05	2,00E-02	2,603	2,462	8,669	11,78
13	6,00E-05	4,00E-02	2,103	2,191	6,397	12,14
14	7,00E-05	5,00E-02	1,978	1,978	5,776	12,84
15	9,00E-05	6,00E-02	1,75	1,681	5,08	13,99
16	1,10E-04	6,00E-02	1,557	1,462	4,712	14,97
17	4,00E-04	6,00E-02	0,6466	0,4925	2,878	22,08
18	1,90E-03	6,00E-02	0,3912	0,3507	1,491	67,54
19	2,20E-03	6,00E-02	0,4329	0,3481	1,614	81,56
20	4,00E-03	6,00E-02	0,8715	0,7199	4,548	287,2

Since the satellite is spinning around Z axis. We are interested in lower mean error in roll & pitch, than in yaw error.

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The following map is plotted from the above simulations with various gains. The optimal region is defined by balancing minimum power consumption and lower mean attitude error. The selection of gains is the trade-off between the performance & power requirements.



Figure 36: Mapping of various PID gains

These optimal gains are simulated with the environmental disturbances and we found that,

Control Gains
$$\propto \frac{1}{Disturbances}$$

We propose two set of gains,

Optimal	Optimal (default)
(Lower sensor noise)	(Higher sensor noise)
$k_p = 4e^{-5}$	$k_p = 9e^{-6}$
$k_d = 2e^{-2}$	$k_d = 2e^{-2}$
$k_i = 2e^{-10}$	$k_i = 2e^{-10}$

In the beginning of the mission, the satellite is unaware of its attitude and initially ADS has higher state error and noisy estimates. So the default gains are set as column-2 of above table. Therefore, once the satellite has reached the steady state, gains can be changed as in column-1 from Tele-command or configuration panel.

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9.5 Attitude Estimation

For the simulation confidence, we added the white noise in sensors & actuators models.

The following plots shows the kalman estimates of Angular velocity in the Inertial frame. Note that the left plot is zoomed.



Figure 37: Angular velocity & gyro bias estimated by EKF

These sensors measurements are fed to the attitude estimation block. The below figure shows the attitude estimated by the estimation block with the fusion algorithm as discussed in *section 7*.



Figure 38: Attitude estimation results



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10. AUTOCODE GENERATION

The Matlab interface provides the automatic generation of C and C++ codes. That can be integrated to the flight Software. There are two ways of generating autocode.

1. Matlab Coder (for the Matlab created functions).

2. Simulink Coder (for Simulink systems).

Our Attitude estimation is a Matlab function file and Simulink coder cannot support standalone code generation. So we use the Matlab Coder for Attitude estimation part and Simulink coder for the Attitude Controller.

Matlab Coder can also be used for the Attitude Controller &, but for combined De-tumble and PID, Simulink Coder is simpler in C++ code generation.

Code generation for Attitude estimation

- 1. Open Matlab Coder from Matlab Apps and select the corresponding Function file.
- 2. define the input / output parameters and their size & type.

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11. CONCLUSION

Summing up, an Attitude control loop of IGOSat is designed. A Simulink model of the Attitude Control System is developed. The environmental disturbances, sensors, actuators and power budget are modelled in the simulation. An attitude controller (de-tumbling & PID), for the various operating modes of the IGOSat are designed. An Extended Kalman filter algorithm is developed for fusing the sensors to determine the attitude and integrated to the Simulink. Simulations has been carried out for the Controller design, verifying the performance, power consumption and attitude requirements imposed on the IGOSat. The attitude modes of the IGOSat has been verified.

12. FUTURE WORK

This report completely talks about the Attitude Controller and determination results from the Simulink simulations. For the future interns, there is a part of the work to be done in both Control & determination.

1. The sensors team should provide the measurements at 1 Hz. And the sensors unavailability condition are defined in the software if the sun/earth are not in sensors field of view.

2. The bias and noise of the sensors measurements are to be estimated and stored in Attitude determination algorithm.

3. Interface between the sensors/actuators to the Attitude Control and Determination system are to be defined.

4. The Control software is integrated to AOCS board and tests to be done on the Controller and Determination algorithms on the AOCS test bench (Helmholtz cage...)



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14. APPENDIX

1. My_library.slx (basic functions on quaternion operations.)



2. Stability Analysis

Lyapunov theory can be used to both to test stability of a system, and to arrive at a stabilizing control law. We present the stability approach from [21] & [12]. The Lyapunov stability candidate with the controller can be extended to,



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$$V = \frac{1}{2} \omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} I \omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} + \frac{3}{2} \omega_{c}^{2} \hat{o}_{3}^{T} I \hat{o}_{3} \frac{1}{2} \omega_{c}^{2} \left(I_{y} - 3I_{z} \right) + k \left(\varepsilon^{T} \varepsilon + \left(1 - \eta \right)^{2} \right)$$

Here k > 0. Because of the quadratic expression, the extension will be zero for the correct attitude, i.e, for equilibrium state ($\varepsilon = 0$ and $\eta = 1$).

So $\varepsilon^{T}\varepsilon + \eta^{2} = 1$, this means it is possible to rewrite the last term as $2k(1-\eta)$ and with its time derivative $-2k\dot{\eta}$. Thus the new expression for \dot{V} is,

$$\dot{V} = \mathcal{O}_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}} \left[k\varepsilon + \tau_d^{R_{sat}} \right]$$

Keeping in mind for pitch stability (from [9]) $I_x > I_z$

And the expression for control law is derived as,

$$\tau_d^{R_{sat}} = -p\varepsilon - d\omega_{R_{sat}/R_{loc}}^{R_{sat}}$$

With the gains, d > 0, $k > 8\omega_c^2 (I_y - I_z) > 0$

This is the same controller found in chapter[166.3 PID Control].

3. Matlab Script files

a. Orbitparameters.m (Simulink Initialization file)

```
clear;
close all; clc;
addpath MySimulinkLib
slblocks;
% Constants
8-----
                   _____
mu = 3.9860e+05; % gravitation constant (km/sec^3)
eqRad = 6371*1e3; % Mean earth radius
deg2rad = pi/180;
rad2deg = 180/pi;
% Initialise Keplar elements for the orbit
%
Altitude = 650.0;
                % km
eccentricity = 0;
inc SunSynchronous = 97.78739; % deg
inclinationOrbit = 98.602802; % deg
Omega init = 0.6631315 ;
                          % rad
kep init = [ Altitude+(eqRad/1000);
                                   % (km)
   inclinationOrbit*deg2rad;
                                    % rad
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0.0;
                                  % rad
   eccentricity;
   0.0];
                                  % rad
omega o = sqrt(mu*(1/kep init(1)))./kep init(1);
                                        % Orbit rate
% Time parameters
%_____
                                      % start time in Julian days
tstart = Date2JD([2018 06 15 0 0 0]);
tstep = 10;
                                      % sampling time
torbit = 2*pi/(sqrt(mu/abs(kep init(1))^3));
                                     % in sec
torbit hr = torbit/3600;
                                      % in hrs
tfinal = 5*torbit;
                                      % time for 5 orbits(sec)
timeD = tstart + [0:tstep/86400:tfinal/86400]; % Time grid in Julian days
timeS = 0:tstep:tfinal;
                                     % Time grid in seconds
% satellite characteristics
%_____
mass=3.77; % in kg
lenth=34.5*10^-2; % in m
width=10*10^-2; % in m
Iz =mass/6*(width^2);
Ix=mass*(lenth^2+width^2)/12;
Iv=Ix;
I=diag([Ix, Iy, Iz]);
Ixy=Ix/Iy;
% Actuator characteristics
%_____
% Actuator
m max = 0.2;
                      % maximum magnetic moment (A-m^2)
i max = 250 * 1e - 3;
                      % maximum current (Amps)
% Area of each coil
Ax = 60 \times 10 \times 10^{-6}; \% m^{2}
Ay = 60*10*10^-6; % m^2
Az = 90^2*10^-6; % m^2
% Resistance in each coil
Rx = 30;
Ry = 30;
Rz = 83;
% residual magnetic moment
8-----
mr = [0.0001; -0.0001; 0.0005];
bavg = 1.0e-05 *[-0.0067;0.3398;0.0344];%1.0e-05*[-0.2507; 0.2889; 0.0701];
% Sampling time
%_____
st=1; % sensor noise
Ts=1; % sampling time of controller & Attitude estimation
ss=1; % Simulation step
% Sensor & Actuator noise
```

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06_____
   mn = 1e-7; % Magnetometer noise (Tesla)
   sn =1e-8; % sun sensor noise
en =1e-8; % earth sensor noise
          % sun sensor noise
   gn = 1e-3*[0.001 0.01 0.001]; % gyro noise(rad/sec)
          % magnetorquer noise
   mtn=1e-9;
b. sensors.m (Attitute determination code..)
   function [X, P, dx, xbo, b] = sensors(Xo, Pin, p, v, w, sb, eb, mb, tjd, dt)
   %-----Attitute estimation by kalman.....
   % state vector Xo =[q; quaternion
   2
               w; Angular velocity
               bg; gyro bias
   2
               bm;] magnetometer bias
   2
   8-----
               % Inputs: Xo, P - Previous state & covariance
   2
         I - Inertia
         p - position in ECI
   8
         v - Velocity (km/sec)
   8
   8
         w - gyro reading
   8
         ts - gyro sample time
         sb - sun vector in body
   9
         eb - earth vector in body
   8
   8
         mb - magnetic field vectr in body
   9
         tme – time in julian
   °
                            ----- &
   % Outputs: X =[q; quaternion
             w; Angular velocity
   8
             bg; gyro bias
bm;] magnetometer bias
   8
   8
   8
           P = covariance
   X =[zeros(3,1);1;zeros(6,1)];
   P = eye(10);
   xbo = zeros(7,1);
   % time to julian
   %______%
   tjd = Dt2jD(tme);
   tjd = tstart+tme/86400;
   % Eccentricity and orbit rate
   [ecc, worb] = orbRate(p,v);
   wor = [0; -worb; 0];
   %-----%
   oʻs______o
   Q = zeros(10);
   R = 1e-10 * eye(9);
```

%-----%



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qo = Xo(1:4); wo = Xo(5:7); bg = Xo(8:10); %bm = Xo(11:13);
qhat = qo+0.5*dt*[-skew(w-bg) w-bg;-(w-bg)' 0]*qo;
what = (w-bg);
bghat = bg;
Xo = [qhat; what; bghat];
A11 = eye(4)+0.5*[-skew(what) what;-(what)' 0];
A12 = 0.5*[qhat(4)*eye(3)+skew(qhat(1:3));-qhat(1:3)'];
A21 = zeros(3, 4);
A22 = eve(3);
F = [A11*dt A12*dt zeros(4,3);
   A21 A22 zeros(3,3);
   zeros(3,7) eye(3)];
P = F*Pin*F' + Q;
유_____
                          %-----%
Mi2b = q2M(qhat);
qm = [qhat(4)*eye(3)+skew(qhat(1:3));-qhat(1:3)']';
% vector models
siu = SunV(p, tjd);
   = siu/sqrt(sum(siu.^2));
si
mi = MagBD(p, tjd);
ei = -(p/sqrt(sum(p.^2)));
yhat = [Mi2b * si
      Mi2b * mi;
      Mi2b * ei];
y = [sb;
   mb;
   eb];
hss = qm*[skew(si) si; -si' 0];
hmg = qm*[skew(mi) mi; -mi' 0];
hes = qm*[skew(ei) ei; -ei' 0];
H1 = [hss;hmg;hes];
H = [H1 \ zeros(9, 6)];
del=y-yhat;
S = H*P*H'+R;
K = P*H'*inv(S);
P = P - K^*H^*P;
X = Xo + K^* (del);
dx =X-Xo;
%-----%
qbo = QuatBody(X(1:4), p, v);
mbo = q2M(qbo);
woi = mbo*wor;
wbo = X(5:7) - woi;
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```
xbo = [qbo;wbo];
     X = X(:);
     xbo = xbo(:);
     if mb == 0
         b= Mi2b * mi;
     end
     end
c. Aerodynamic_torque.m
     function tau_a = Adrag(x, omega_o, kep_init, I)
     %#codegen
     % Aerodynamic drag model
     tau a = zeros(3,1);
     m=3.77;
     jx = 0.01; % X-axis length
     jy = 0.01; % Y-axis length
     jz = 0.03; % Z-axis length
     Jx = (m/12) * (jy^2+jz^2); % X-axis inertia
     Jy = (m/12) * (jx^2+jz^2); % Y-axis inertia
     Jz = (m/12) * (jx^2+jy^2); \& Z-axis inertia
     J = [Jx 0 0;0 Jy 0;0 0 Jz]; % Inertia matrix
     q B O = [x(4); x(1:3)]';
     dcm = zeros(3, 3, size(q_B_0, 1));
     dcm(1,1) = q B O(1)^2 + q B O(2)^2 - q B O(3)^2 - q B O(4)^2;
     dcm(1,2) = 2*(q_B_O(2)*q_B_O(3) + q_B_O(1)*q_B_O(4));
     dcm(1,3) = 2*(q_B_O(2)*q_B_O(4) - q_B_O(1)*q_B_O(3));
     dcm(2,1) = 2*(q_B_O(2)*q_B_O(3) - q_B_O(1)*q_B_O(4));
     dcm(2,2) = q_B_{\bar{0}}(\bar{1})^2 - \bar{q}_{\bar{B}}(\bar{2})^2 + \bar{q}_{\bar{B}}(\bar{3})^{\bar{2}} - q_{\bar{B}}(\bar{4})^2;
     dcm(2,3) = 2*(q_B_O(3)*q_B_O(4) + q_B_O(1)*q_B_O(2));
     dcm(3,1) = 2*(q_B_O(2)*q_B_O(4) + q_B_O(1)*q_B_O(3));
     dcm(3,2) = 2*(q_B_0(3)*q_B_0(4) - q_B_0(1)*q_B_0(2));
     dcm(3,3) = q_B_O(1)^2 - q_B_O(2)^2 - q_B_O(3)^2 + q_B_O(4)^2;
     R B O = dcm;
     w B OB =x(5:7);
     x = 0.1;
     y = 0.1;
     z = 0.2;
     A drag = z*sqrt(x^2 + y^2); % Maximum area for calc disturbance drags
     vel = kep init(1)*1e3*omega o; % Orbit velocity
     rho a = 4.89e-13;
```

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c p = [0.01 0.01 0.02]';

```
tau a = tau a(:);
```

d. Control

```
1. De-tumble
 function m B = Detumble(x, B b, t, m max, I)
 %#codegen
 persistent bp tp
 coder.extrinsic('norm')
 m B=zeros(3,1);
 w bo = x(5:7);
 % Controller gain
 kd = 2e - 2 * I;
 k =kd/(3.4160e-06^2);
 if isempty(bp)
     tp = 0; bp = zeros(3,1);
     bdot = B_b;
 else
     bdot = (B_b - bp) / (t - tp);
 end
 tp = t;
 bp = B b;
 % % Bdot
 % m B = -k*bdot;
 2
 % % B bang bang
 % sbt = bdot./abs(bdot);
 % m B = -m max*sbt;
 % Desired torque controller
 m_B = (-1/norm(B_b)^2) * (kd*cross(B_b,w_bo));
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2. PID Control

function [qe,m_B] = cntl(xd,x,B_b,t,I,)
%#codegen

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coder.extrinsic('norm')
persistent epso tm
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```
% Initialisation
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                       _____
m B = zeros(3, 1);
qe = zeros(4, 1);
Bb = Bb(:);
dd = zeros(3, 1);
bm = zeros(3, 1);
if isempty(epso)
   epso = zeros(3, 1); tm = 0;
end
dt = t - tm;
epso= epso + eps;
epsi = epso*dt;
tm = t;
qd = xd(1:4);
qs = x(1:4);
qe = [qd(4) qd(3) -qd(2) -qd(1);
    -qd(3) qd(4) qd(1) -qd(2);
   qd(2) -qd(1) qd(4) -qd(3);
   qd(1) qd(2) qd(3) qd(4)]*qs;
wd = xd(5:7);
ws = x(5:7);
we = ws-wd;
eps = qe(1:3);
% Controller gains
8-----
                       _____
d = 2 * 1e - 2;
p = 9*1e-6;
i = 2e-10;
Kd = d*I;
Kp = p*I;
Ki = i * I;
tau_B = kp*eps + ki*epsi + kd*we;
% Moment set up by controller
m_B = (-1/((norm(B_b))^2)) * cross(B_b,tau_B);
m_B = m_B(:);
```

e. toVTS.m (generates VTS data from Matlab simulations)

%%%%%......VTS file generation.......%%%%%%

% Note:

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% 1) Get the position & quaternion data from simulink
% 2) specify Vts directory
% 3) Run the code
% 4) select pos.txt & quat.txt in VTS interface
ps = pos; % position from simulink
at=aty; %quaternion from simulink
tms = tme; % time from simulink
VtsDir = 'C:\Users\Navya\Downloads\Vts-WindowsNT-32bits-2.7';
MatlabDir = 'C:\Users\Navya\Google Drive\Internship-IGOSAT\SCAO\Navya krishna
ACS 2016\trial 1';
% Position generation
header1='CIC OEM VERS = 2.0';
header2='COMMENT Generated by Spacebel CCSDS library';
header3='CREATION DATE = 2016-06-14T14:23:59.015921';
header4='ORIGINATOR = VTS Propagated Orbit';
header5='META START';
header6='OBJECT NAME = IGOSAT';
header7='OBJECT_ID = IGOSAT';
header8='CENTER NAME = EARTH';
header9='REF FRAME = EME2000';
header10='TIME SYSTEM = UTC';
header11='META STOP';
p = [58284*ones(size(ps,1),1) tms ps ];
% Quaternion generation
header21='CIC AEM VERS = 1.0';
header22='COMMENT Generated by Spacebel CCSDS library';
header23='CREATION DATE = 2016-06-14T14:23:59.015921';
header24='ORIGINATOR = VTS Propagated Orbit';
header25='META START';
header26='COMMENT Exemple de fichier de attitude';
header27='OBJECT NAME = IGOSAT';
header28='OBJECT ID = IGOSAT';
header29='REF FRAME A = EME2000';
header30='REF FRAME B = SC BODY 1';
header31='ATTITUDE DIR = A2B';
header32='TIME SYSTEM = UTC';
header33='ATTITUDE TYPE = QUATERNION';
header34='META STOP';
q = [58284*ones(size(at,1),1) tms at ];
cd(VtsDir);
fid=fopen('pos.txt','w');
fprintf(fid, [ header1 '\n' header2 '\n' header3 '\n' header4 '\n\n' header5
'\n' header6 '\n' header7 '\n' header8 '\n' header9 '\n' header10 '\n\n'
header11 ' n n']);
fprintf(fid, '%5.0f %6.2f %f %f %f \n', [p]');
fclose(fid);
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fid1=fopen('quat.txt','w');
fprintf(fid1, [ header21 '\n' header22 '\n' header23 '\n' header24 '\n\n'
header25 '\n\n' header26 '\n\n' header27 '\n' header28 '\n\n' header29 '\n'
header30 '\n' header31 '\n\n' header32 '\n\n' header33 '\n\n' header34 '\n\n']);
fprintf(fid1, '%5.0f %6.2f %f %f %f %f \n', [q]');
fclose(fid1);
```

cd(MatlabDir);

f . magnetigrf.m(Computes magnetic field using IGRF 2015 field)

```
function b = magnetigrf(pos, jD, Coef)
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% Computes Magnetic field in Inertial frame
% Inputs:
0
           pos -Position in ECI (Kms)
00
           jD -Julian date
00
           Coef- IGRF & Schmidt coefficients
% OutPuts:
00
           b
               -Magnetic field in ECI (tesla)
00
% References: Mathematical Modeling of Earth's Magnetic
   Field,
0/0
            Jeremy Davis Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, May 12,
   2004.
\circ
   888888
J2000 \text{ days} = jD - 2451545;
omega earth = 7.292115855377074e-005; % (rad/sec)
Go = 1.727564365843028; % (rad)
   http://www.amsat.org/amsat/articles/g3ruh/106.html
GMST = Go + omega earth * 86400 * (J2000 days + 0.5);
GMST = GMST - 2*pi*floor(GMST/(2*pi));
sGAST = sin( GMST );
cGAST = cos(GMST);
            = [cGAST, sGAST, 0; -sGAST, cGAST, 0; 0, 0, 1];
CECITOEF
rEF
          = cECITOEF*pos;
     = sqrt( rEF(1).^2 + rEF(2).^2 + rEF(3).^2);
r
phi = atan2(rEF(2), rEF(1))*180/pi;
      = acos( rEF(3)./r )*180/pi;
theta
days=J2000 days;
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if nargin<3</pre>
    load('igrf2015.mat', 'igrfSg');
    load('igrf2015.mat', 'igrfSh');
else
    load(coef);
end
[Br,Bt,Bp] = magnet(r,90-theta,phi,days,igrfSg,igrfSh);
% Spherical to NED
e = 0.0*pi/180; % the term used to correct for the oblateness
  of the
X = -Bt*cos(e) - Br*sin(e);
Y = Bp;
Z = Bt*sin(e) - Br*cos(e);
b = [X;Y;Z]*10^-9;%, [Br,Bt,Bp]';
        = rEF/sqrt(sum(rEF.^2));
iR
       = cross(iR, [0;0;-1]);
iPh
iPhi = iPh/sqrt(sum(iPh.^2));
iThet = cross(iPhi, iR);
iTheta = iThet/sqrt(sum(iThet.^2));
cRPT2Cart = [-iTheta iPhi -iR ];
  b = cRPT2Cart * b;
  b = cECITOEF' * b;
function [Br,Bt,Bp] = magnet(r,theta,phi,days,igrfSg,igrfSh)
% Inputs
00
            Geocentric radius
   r
8
           Latitude measured in degrees positive from
    theta
   equator
            Longitude measured in degrees positive east from
00
   phi
  Greenwich
    days Decimal days since January 1, 2000
00
00
% Outputs - magnetic field strength in local tangential
  coordinates
           B in radial direction
00
   Br
           B in theta direction
00
    Bt
           B in phi direction
00
    Bp
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% Checks to see if located at either pole to avoid
  singularities
if (theta>-0.0000001 && theta<0.0000001)
theta=0.0000001;
elseif(theta<180.0000001 && theta>179.99999999)
theta=179.99999999;
end
% The angles must be converted from degrees into radians
theta=(90-theta)*pi/180;
phi = phi*pi/180;
a=6371.2; % Reference radius used in IGRF
% This section of the code simply reads in the q and h
  Schmidt
% guasi-normalized coefficients
gn = igrfSg(:,1);gm =igrfSg(:,2); gvali= igrfSg(:,3); gsvi=
   iqrfSq(:,4);
hn = igrfSh(:,1); hm= igrfSh(:,2); hvali= igrfSh(:,3); hsvi=
  iqrfSh(:,4);
N=max(qn);
q=zeros(N, N+1);
h=zeros(N, N+1);
for x=1:length(gn)
q(qn(x),qm(x)+1) = qvali(x) + qsvi(x)*days/365;
h(hn(x), hm(x)+1) = hvali(x) + hsvi(x)*days/365;
end
% Initialize each of the variables
           B in the radial driection
% Br
% Bt
           B in the theta direction
            B in the phi direction
% Bp
            The associated Legendre polynomial evaluated at
% P
  cos(theta)
00
            The nomenclature for the recursive values
  generally follows
8
            the form P10 = P(n-1, m-0)
% dP
            The partial derivative of P with respect to theta
Br=0; Bt=0; Bp=0;
P11=1; P10=P11;
dP11=0; dP10=dP11;
for m=0:N
for n=1:N
if m<=n
% Calculate Legendre polynomials and derivatives recursively
if n==m
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P2 = sin(theta) * P11;
    dP2 = sin(theta)*dP11 + cos(theta)*P11;
    P11=P2; P10=P11; P20=0;
    dP11=dP2; dP10=dP11; dP20=0;
    elseif n==1
    P2 = cos(theta)*P10;
    dP2 = \cos(\text{theta}) * dP10 - \sin(\text{theta}) * P10;
    P20=P10; P10=P2;
    dP20=dP10; dP10=dP2;
    else
    K = ((n-1)^{2}-m^{2}) / ((2*n-1)*(2*n-3));
    P2 = \cos(\text{theta}) * P10 - K * P20;
    dP2 = \cos(\text{theta}) * dP10 - \sin(\text{theta}) * P10 - K * dP20;
    P20=P10; P10=P2;
    dP20=dP10; dP10=dP2;
    end
    % Calculate Br, Bt, and Bp
    Br = Br + (a/r)^{(n+2)*(n+1)*...}
    ((g(n,m+1)*cos(m*phi) + h(n,m+1)*sin(m*phi))*P2);
    Bt = Bt + (a/r)^{(n+2)*...}
    ((q(n,m+1)*cos(m*phi) + h(n,m+1)*sin(m*phi))*dP2);
    Bp = Bp + (a/r)^{(n+2)} + \dots
    (m*(-q(n,m+1)*sin(m*phi) + h(n,m+1)*cos(m*phi))* P2);
    end
    end
    end
    % Br=Br;
    Bt=-Bt;
    Bp=-Bp/sin(theta);
    end
    end
q. SunV.m (Computes satellite to sun vector in inertial frame)
    function [u] = SunV( rSc, jD )
    _____
       Generate the sun vector in the earth-centered inertial
    00
       frame.
    §_____
       _____
    00
       Inputs
    00
        _____
                  (:) Julian date of UTC time
    8
        jD
    8
                  (3,:)
                          Spacecraft vector in the ECI frame (km)
       rSc
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8
  Outputs
00
   _____
00
            (3,:) Unit sun vector in ECI frame
   11
00
% References: The 1993 Astronomical Almanac, p. C24.
% Degrees to radians
%-----
d2r = pi / 180;
% Days from J2000.0
%-----
n = jD - 2451545.0;
% Mean anomaly
8_____
q = 357.528 + 0.9856003*n;
% Ecliptic longitude
%-----
lam = rem(280.460 + 0.9856474*n, 360) + 1.915*sin(g*d2r) +
  0.02*sin(2*q*d2r);
lam = d2r*lam;
% Obliquity of ecliptic
8-----
obOfE = 23.439 - 4.00e-7*n;
obOfE = d2r*obOfE;
% Equatorial rectangular coordinates of the Sun
⁰,-----
               ------
sLam = sin(lam);
u = [cos(lam); cos(obOfE).*sLam; sin(obOfE).*sLam];
r = (1.0014 - 0.01671 \cos(q d2r) -
  0.00014*cos(2*g*d2r))*149600e3;
% Account for parallax
§_____
 u = [r.*u(1,:) - rSc(1,:);...
      r.*u(2,:) - rSc(2,:);...
      r.*u(3,:) - rSc(3,:)];
 u = u/sqrt(sum(u.^2));
end
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4. Julian Day

Given year, month, day, hour, minute, second, compute the Juliandate, JD.

$$JD = 367 \text{ year} - INT \left\{ 7 \frac{\left[\text{ year} + INT \left(\frac{\text{month} + 9}{12} \right) \right]}{4} \right\} + INT \left(\frac{275 \text{month}}{9} \right) + day$$
$$+1,720,996.5 + \frac{\text{hour}}{24} + \frac{\text{min ute}}{1440} + \frac{\text{sec onds}}{86400}$$

5. Sun Vector ephemeris

Reference: The 1993 Astronomical Almanac, p. C24.

The following formulas give the apparent coordinates of the Sun to a precision of 0°.01 and the of time to a precision of 0^m.1 between 1950 and 2050; on this page the time argument n is the number of days from J2000.0.

 $JD = Julian \ date \ of \ time \ in \ UTC$ n = JD - 2451545.0

Mean longitude of Sun, corrected for aberration: $L = 280^{\circ}.460 + 0^{\circ}.9856474 n$

Mean anomaly: $g = 357^{\circ}.528 + 0^{\circ}.9856003 n$

Put L and g in the range 0° to 360° by adding multiples of 360°.

Ecliptic longitude: $\lambda = L + 1^{\circ}.915 \sin g + 0^{\circ}.020 \sin 2g$

Ecliptic latitude: $\beta = 0^{\circ}$

Obliquity of ecliptic: $\varepsilon = 23^{\circ}.439 - 0^{\circ}.0000004n$

Right ascension (in same quadrant as λ): $\alpha = \tan^{-1}(\cos \varepsilon \tan \lambda)$

Alternatively, α may be calculated directly from

$$\alpha = \lambda - ft \sin 2\lambda + (f/2)t^2 \sin 4\lambda$$

where $f = 180/\pi$ and $t = \tan^2 \varepsilon/2$

Declination: $\delta = \sin^1(\sin \varepsilon \sin \lambda)$

Distance of Sun from Earth, in au: $R = 1.00014 - 0.01671 \cos g - 0.00014 \cos 2g$

Equatorial rectangular coordinates of the Sun, in au:

 $x = R \cos \lambda, \quad y = R \cos \varepsilon \sin \lambda, \quad z = R \sin \varepsilon \sin \lambda$

Equation of time (apparent time minus mean time):

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E, in minutes of time = $(L-\alpha)$, in degrees, multiplied by 4.

Horizontal parallax: 0°.0024

Semidiameter: $0^{\circ}.2666 / R$

Light time: $0^d.0058$

6. Quaternion first order Integration[17]

The first order quaternion integrator makes the assumption of a linear evolution of ω during the integration interval Δt . For that purpose, the average turn rate $\overline{\omega}$, defines as

$$\overline{\omega} = \frac{\omega(t_{k+1}) + \omega(t_k)}{2}$$

By Taylor series,

$$q(t_{k+1}) = q(t_k) + \dot{q}(t_k)\Delta t + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{q}(t_k)\Delta t^2 + \dots$$

Recognizing the first term as the Taylor series expansion of the matrix exponential, we obtain,

$$q(t_{k+1}) = \left(\exp\left(\frac{1}{2}\Omega(\bar{\omega})\Delta t\right) + \frac{1}{48}\left(\Omega(\omega(t_{k+1}))\Omega(\omega(t_{k})) - \Omega(\omega(t_{k}))\Omega(\omega(t_{k+1}))\right)\Delta t^{2}\right)q(t_{k})$$