

Examen Inertiel, 2A Rob.

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Durée: 1h30.

Exercise 1 (*Interpolation in $SO3$*). We have a rigid body with an orientation the rotation matrix $\mathbf{R}(t)$. Find an expression for $\mathbf{R}(t)$ such that $\mathbf{R}(0) = \mathbf{R}_0$, $\mathbf{R}(5) = \mathbf{R}_5$, where $\mathbf{R}_0, \mathbf{R}_5$ are two rotation matrices. The expression for $\mathbf{R}(t)$ should depend on $\mathbf{R}_0, \mathbf{R}_5, t$.

Exercise 2 (*Dark side of the moon*). We consider a moon \mathcal{M} turning around a planet \mathcal{P} which is assumed to be static at the origin $\mathbf{0}$. The moon has a mass m which is small compared to the mass of \mathcal{P} . The inertia matrix of \mathcal{M} is \mathbf{I} . Not only \mathcal{M} rotates around the \mathcal{P} , but it also has its own self rotation. The position of the center \mathcal{M} is \mathbf{p} in the world frame, \mathbf{R} is the orientation matrix of \mathcal{M} , \mathbf{v}_r is the speed of \mathcal{M} and $\boldsymbol{\omega}_r$ is the rotation vector of \mathcal{M} . Both \mathbf{v}_r and $\boldsymbol{\omega}_r$ are expressed in the moon frame. The gravity generated by \mathcal{P} at \mathbf{p} is assumed to be

$$\mathbf{g} = -\lambda \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|^3}$$

where $\lambda > 0$.

- 1) Give the state equation describing the motion of the moon.
 - 2) Explain how such a system should be simulated.
 - 3) From the state equation of \mathcal{M} , compute the derivative of the angular momentum $\mathcal{L} = \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{I} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r$ of \mathcal{M} .
 - 4) Does this explain the fact that our moon has a dark side ?
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Solution.

We take

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \text{Log}(\mathbf{R}_5 \mathbf{R}_0^T)$$

Therefore

$$\mathbf{R}(t) = \text{Exp}(t\boldsymbol{\omega}) \cdot \mathbf{R}_0$$

or equivalently

$$\mathbf{R}(t) = \text{Exp}\left(\frac{t}{5} \cdot \text{Log}(\mathbf{R}_5 \mathbf{R}_0^T)\right) \cdot \mathbf{R}_0.$$

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1) Give the state equation describing the motion of the moon.

We have

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{p}} &= \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{v}_r \\ \dot{\mathbf{R}} &= \mathbf{R} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\omega}_r \wedge) \\ \dot{\mathbf{v}}_r &= \mathbf{R}^T \cdot \left(-\lambda \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\|\mathbf{p}\|^3}\right) - \boldsymbol{\omega}_r \wedge \mathbf{v}_r \\ \dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_r &= \mathbf{I}^{-1} \cdot (-\boldsymbol{\omega}_r \wedge \mathbf{I} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r) \end{cases}$$

2) Explain how such a system should be simulated.

See the course.

3) From the state equation of \mathcal{M} , compute the derivative of the angular momentum $\mathcal{L} = \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{I} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r$ of \mathcal{M} .

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathcal{L}} &= \dot{\mathbf{R}}\boldsymbol{\omega}_r + \underbrace{\mathbf{R} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{I}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r}_{=0} + \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{I} \cdot \underbrace{\dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_r}_{=-\mathbf{I}^{-1} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\omega}_r \wedge (\mathbf{I} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r))} \\ &= \dot{\mathbf{R}}\boldsymbol{\omega}_r - \mathbf{R}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_r \wedge (\mathbf{I} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r)) \\ &= \dot{\mathbf{R}}\boldsymbol{\omega}_r - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}^T \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r \\ &= \dot{\mathbf{R}}\boldsymbol{\omega}_r - \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_r = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

4) Does this explain the fact that our moon has a dark side?

Of course not. From the previous question, the moon should rotate for ever. Probably a long time ago, the moon had a self rotating motion. Due to the tide effect, a part of the angular momentum of the moon is transfered to the Earth, but the global angular momuntum (Earth + moon) remains constant.