Lecture
Navigation Mathematics: Kinematics (Coordinate Frame Transformation)
EE 570: Location and Navigation

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Coordinate Frame Transformation

- Determine the detailed kinematic relationships between the 4 major frames of interest
    - The Earth–Centered Inertial (ECI) coordinate frame (i–frame)
    - The Earth–Centered Earth–Fixed (ECEF) coordinate frame (e–frame)
    - The Local Navigation (Nav) coordinate frame (n–frame)
    - The Body coordinate frame (b–frame)

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ECI/ECEF

- Relationship between the ECI and ECEF frames
    - ECI & ECEF have co-located orgins

$$\vec{r}_{ie} = \dot{\vec{r}}_{ie} = \ddot{\vec{r}}_{ie} = 0$$

    - The x, y, and z axis of the ECI & ECEF frames are coincident at time t_0
    - The ECEF frame rotates about the common z–axis at a fixed rate (ω_{ie})
        * Ignoring minor speed variatins (precession & nutation) $\omega_{ie} = 72.921151467 \mu$rad/sec (WGS84) which is $\approx 15°$/hr

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ECI/ECEF

- The angular velocity and acceleration are

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

- The angle of rotation is

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{ie} &= \omega_{ie}(t - t_0) \\ &= \omega_{ie}t + \theta_{GMST} \end{aligned}$$

where GMST is the Greenwich mean sidereal time

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

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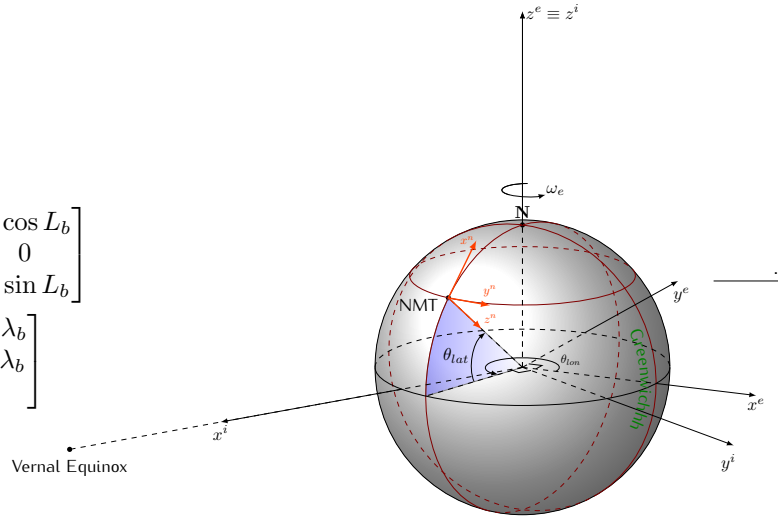
Note: $\vec{\omega}_{ie}^{\,i} = \vec{\omega}_{ie}^{\,e}$

ECEF/Nav

- Description of the navigation frame
  - Orientation of the n-frame *wrt* the e-frame

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

    where geodetic Lat $= L_b$ and Geodetic Lon $= \lambda_b$

ECEF/Nav

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

$$\dot{C}_n^e = C_n^e \Omega_{en}^n = \Omega_{en}^e C_n^e$$

$$\Omega_{en}^e = \dot{C}_n^e [C_n^e]^T$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} s_{L_b}s_{\lambda_b}\dot{\lambda}_b - c_{L_b}c_{\lambda_b}\dot{L}_b & -c_{\lambda_b}\dot{\lambda}_b & -c_{\lambda_b}s_{L_b}\dot{L}_b + c_{L_b}s_{\lambda_b}\dot{\lambda}_b \\ -c_{L_b}s_{\lambda_b}\dot{L}_b - c_{\lambda_b}s_{L_b}\dot{\lambda}_b & -s_{\lambda_b}\dot{\lambda}_b & s_{L_b}s_{\lambda_b}\dot{L}_b - c_{L_b}c_{\lambda_b}\dot{\lambda}_b \\ -s_{L_b}\dot{L}_b & 0 & -c_{L_b}\dot{L}_b \end{bmatrix}[C_n^e]^T$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\dot{\lambda}_b & -\dot{L}_b\cos(\lambda_b) \\ \dot{\lambda}_b & 0 & -\dot{L}_b\sin(\lambda_b) \\ \dot{L}_b\cos(\lambda_b) & \dot{L}_b\sin(\lambda_b) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

ECEF/Nav

- The angular velocity vector

$$\vec{\omega}_{en}^{\,e} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\lambda)\dot{L}_b \\ -\cos(\lambda)\dot{L}_b \\ \dot{\lambda}_b \end{bmatrix} \qquad \vec{\omega}_{en}^{\,n} = [C_n^e]^T \omega_{en}^e = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\lambda)\dot{\lambda}_b \\ -\dot{L}_b \\ -\sin(L_b)\dot{\lambda}_b \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$C_n^i = C_e^i C_n^e = \begin{bmatrix} c_{\theta_{ie}} & -s_{\theta_{ie}} & 0 \\ s_{\theta_{ie}} & c_{\theta_{ie}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -s_{L_b} c_{\lambda_b} & -s_{\lambda_b} & -c_{L_b} c_{\lambda_b} \\ -s_{L_b} s_{\lambda_b} & c_{\lambda_b} & -c_{L_b} s_{\lambda_b} \\ -c_{L_b} & 0 & -s_{L_b} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(L_b)\cos(\theta_{ie}+\lambda_b) & -\sin(\theta_{ie}+\lambda_b) & -\cos(L_b)\cos(\theta_{ie}+\lambda_b) \\ -\sin(L_b)\sin(\theta_{ie}+\lambda_b) & \cos(\theta_{ie}+\lambda_b) & -\cos(L_b)\sin(\theta_{ie}+\lambda_b) \\ \cos(L_b) & 0 & -\sin(L_b) \end{bmatrix}$$

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ECI/ECEF/Nav

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

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

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

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

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ECEF/Nav

- The vector from the origin of the e-frame to the n-frame origin resolved in the e-frame
  (from the last lecture)

$$\vec{r}_{eb}^e = \begin{bmatrix} (R_E+h_b)\cos(L_b)\cos(\lambda_b) \\ (R_E+h_b)\cos(L_b)\sin(\lambda_b) \\ (R_E(1-e^2)+h_b)\sin(L_b) \end{bmatrix} = \vec{r}_{en}^e$$

> Origins of the n-frame
> and the b-frame
> are the same

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

$$\vec{v}_{en}^e = \frac{d}{dt}\vec{r}_{en}^e = \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^e}{\partial L_b}\dot{L}_b + \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^e}{\partial \lambda_b}\dot{\lambda}_b + \frac{\partial \vec{r}_{en}^e}{\partial h_b}\dot{h}_b$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(L_b)\cos(\lambda_b) & -\sin(\lambda_b) & -\cos(L_b)\cos(\lambda_b) \\ -\sin(L_b)\sin(\lambda_b) & \cos(\lambda_b) & -\cos(L_b)\sin(\lambda_b) \\ \cos(L_b) & 0 & -\sin(L_b) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (R_N+h_b)\dot{L}_b \\ \cos(L_b)(R_E+h_b)\dot{\lambda}_b \\ -\dot{h}_b \end{bmatrix}$$

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ECEF/Nav

- Recalling the form of C_n^e suggests that

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

- and hence,

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

ECEF/Nav

- Restating $\vec{v}_{en}^{\,n}$ as

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

- and recalling that

$$\vec{\omega}_{en}^{\,n} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(L_b)\dot{\lambda}_b \\ -\dot{L}_b \\ -\sin(L_b)\dot{\lambda}_b \end{bmatrix}$$

- Suggests that

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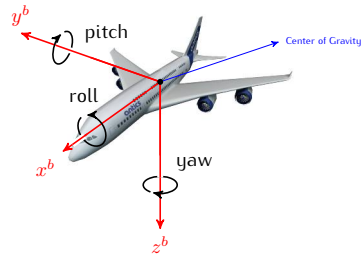
Body Frame

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

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

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_\theta c_\psi & c_\psi s_\theta s_\phi - c_\phi s_\psi & c_\phi c_\psi s_\theta + s_\phi s_\psi \\ c_\theta s_\psi & c_\phi c_\psi + s_\theta s_\phi s_\psi & c_\phi s_\theta s_\psi - c_\psi s_\phi \\ -s_\theta & c_\theta s_\phi & c_\theta c_\phi \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\vec{\omega}\,^i_{ib} = \vec{\omega}\,^i_{in} + C^i_n \vec{\omega}\,^n_{nb}$$
$$= \vec{\omega}\,^i_{ie} + C^i_e \vec{\omega}\,^e_{en} + C^i_n \vec{\omega}\,^n_{nb}$$

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- Position vectors to the origin of the body frame
  - The origins of the body and Nav frames are co-incident

$$\vec{r}_{nb} = \vec{0}$$

  - The origins of the ECI and ECEF frames are co-incident

$$\vec{r}_{eb} = \vec{r}_{ib} = \vec{r}_{en} = \vec{r}_{in}$$

  - Velocity of the b-frame *wrt* the i-frame resolved in the i-frame
    * Case #2: A moving point in a rotation frame

$$\vec{v}\,^i_{ib} = \frac{d}{dt}\vec{r}\,^i_{ib} = \frac{d}{dt}C^i_e\vec{r}\,^e_{eb}$$
$$= C^i_e \Omega^e_{ie}\vec{r}\,^e_{eb} + C^i_e \vec{v}\,^e_{eb}$$
$$= C^i_e \left(\Omega^e_{ie}\vec{r}\,^e_{eb} + \vec{v}\,^e_{eb} \right)$$

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- Acceleration of the b-frame *wrt* the i-frame resolved in the i-frame
  - Case #2: A moving point in a rotation frame

$$\vec{a}\,^i_{ib} = \frac{d}{dt}\vec{v}\,^i_{ib} = \frac{d}{dt}\left(C^i_e \left(\Omega^e_{ie}\vec{r}\,^e_{eb} + \vec{v}\,^e_{eb} \right) \right)$$

$$= \dot{C}^i_e \left(\Omega^e_{ie}\vec{r}\,^e_{eb} + \vec{v}\,^e_{eb} \right) + C^i_e \left(\begin{array}{c} \dot{\omega} = 0 \\ \cancel{\dot{\Omega}^e_{ie}}\,\vec{r}\,^e_{eb} + \Omega^e_{ie}\dot{\vec{r}}\,^e_{eb} + \dot{\vec{v}}\,^e_{eb} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= C^i_e \Omega^e_{ie} \left(\Omega^e_{ie}\vec{r}\,^e_{eb} + \vec{v}\,^e_{eb} \right) + C^i_e \left(\Omega^e_{ie}\vec{v}\,^e_{eb} + \vec{a}\,^e_{eb} \right)$$
$$= C^i_e \left(\Omega^e_{ie}\Omega^e_{ie}\vec{r}\,^e_{eb} + 2\Omega^e_{ie}\vec{v}\,^e_{eb} + \vec{a}\,^e_{eb} \right)$$

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