

---

**Module-6**

**Lecture-28**

**Flight Path Equations, Gravity Equations and  
Combined 6-DOF Model**

---

## Flight path equations

- Relationship between components of the linear velocities between the body fixed frame and earth fixed coordinate system.

- In  $X', Y', Z'$  frame (earth fixed)

$$\mathbf{V}' = \dot{X}'\hat{\mathbf{i}} + \dot{Y}'\hat{\mathbf{j}} + \dot{Z}'\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

- In  $X, Y, Z$  frame (body fixed)

$$\mathbf{V} = \dot{X}\hat{\mathbf{i}} + \dot{Y}\hat{\mathbf{j}} + \dot{Z}\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

- Since assumed frame  $(X_1, Y_1, Z_1)$  is parallel to  $(X', Y', Z')$  frame, so

$$U_1 = \dot{X}_1 = \dot{X}'$$

$$V_1 = \dot{Y}_1 = \dot{Y}'$$

$$W_1 = \dot{Z}_1 = \dot{Z}'$$

- Using transformation equation from reference frame  $(X_1, Y_1, Z_1)$  to reference frame  $(X_2, Y_2, Z_2)$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} U_1 \\ V_1 \\ W_1 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \Psi & -\sin \Psi & 0 \\ \sin \Psi & \cos \Psi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_2 \\ V_2 \\ W_2 \end{Bmatrix} = R^{X_1Y_1Z_1 \rightarrow X_2Y_2Z_2} \begin{Bmatrix} U_2 \\ V_2 \\ W_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

- Using transformation equation from reference frame  $(X_2, Y_2, Z_2)$  to reference frame  $(X_3, Y_3, Z_3)$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} U_2 \\ V_2 \\ W_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \Theta & 0 & \sin \Theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \Theta & 0 & \cos \Theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_3 \\ V_3 \\ W_3 \end{Bmatrix} = R^{X_2Y_2Z_2 \rightarrow X_3Y_3Z_3} \begin{Bmatrix} U_3 \\ V_3 \\ W_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

- Using transformation equation from reference frame  $(X_3, Y_3, Z_3)$  to reference frame  $(X, Y, Z)$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} U_3 \\ V_3 \\ W_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \Phi & -\sin \Phi \\ 0 & \sin \Phi & \cos \Phi \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \end{Bmatrix} = R^{X_3Y_3Z_3 \rightarrow XYZ} \begin{Bmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \dot{X}' \\ \dot{Y}' \\ \dot{Z}' \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} U_1 \\ V_1 \\ W_1 \end{Bmatrix} = R^{X_1Y_1Z_1 \rightarrow X_2Y_2Z_2} \cdot R^{X_2Y_2Z_2 \rightarrow X_3Y_3Z_3} \cdot R^{X_3Y_3Z_3 \rightarrow XYZ} \begin{Bmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \dot{X}' \\ \dot{Y}' \\ \dot{Z}' \end{Bmatrix} = R^{X_1Y_1Z_1 \rightarrow X_2Y_2Z_2} \cdot R^{X_2Y_2Z_2 \rightarrow X_3Y_3Z_3} \cdot R^{X_3Y_3Z_3 \rightarrow XYZ} \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{X} \\ \dot{Y} \\ \dot{Z} \end{Bmatrix}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \dot{X}' \\ \dot{Y}' \\ \dot{Z}' \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} U_1 \\ V_1 \\ W_1 \end{Bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \Psi & -\sin \Psi & 0 \\ \sin \Psi & \cos \Psi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \Theta & 0 & \sin \Theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \Theta & 0 & \cos \Theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \Phi & -\sin \Phi \\ 0 & \sin \Phi & \cos \Phi \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{Bmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \dot{X}' \\ \dot{Y}' \\ \dot{Z}' \end{Bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \Psi \cos \Theta & -\sin \Psi \cos \Phi + \cos \Phi \sin \Theta \sin \Phi & \sin \Psi \sin \Phi + \cos \Psi \sin \Theta \cos \Phi \\ \sin \Psi \cos \Theta & \cos \Psi \cos \Phi + \sin \Phi \sin \Theta \sin \Phi & -\sin \Phi \cos \Psi + \sin \Psi \sin \Theta \cos \Phi \\ -\sin \Theta & \cos \Theta \sin \Phi & \cos \Theta \cos \Phi \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{Bmatrix} U \\ V \\ W \end{Bmatrix}$$

## Gravity equations

$$\mathbf{g} = \hat{\mathbf{k}}'g = \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1g = \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2g = g_X\hat{\mathbf{i}} + g_Y\hat{\mathbf{j}} + g_Z\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

From previous discussions

$$\hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 = -\sin \Theta \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \cos \Theta \sin \Phi \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \cos \Theta \cos \Phi \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

so

$$g\hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 = g \left( -\sin \Theta \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \cos \Theta \sin \Phi \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \cos \Theta \cos \Phi \hat{\mathbf{k}} \right) = g_X\hat{\mathbf{i}} + g_Y\hat{\mathbf{j}} + g_Z\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
g_X &= -g \sin \Theta \\
g_Y &= g \cos \Theta \sin \Phi \\
g_Z &= g \cos \Theta \cos \Phi
\end{aligned}$$

## Combined 6-DOF model

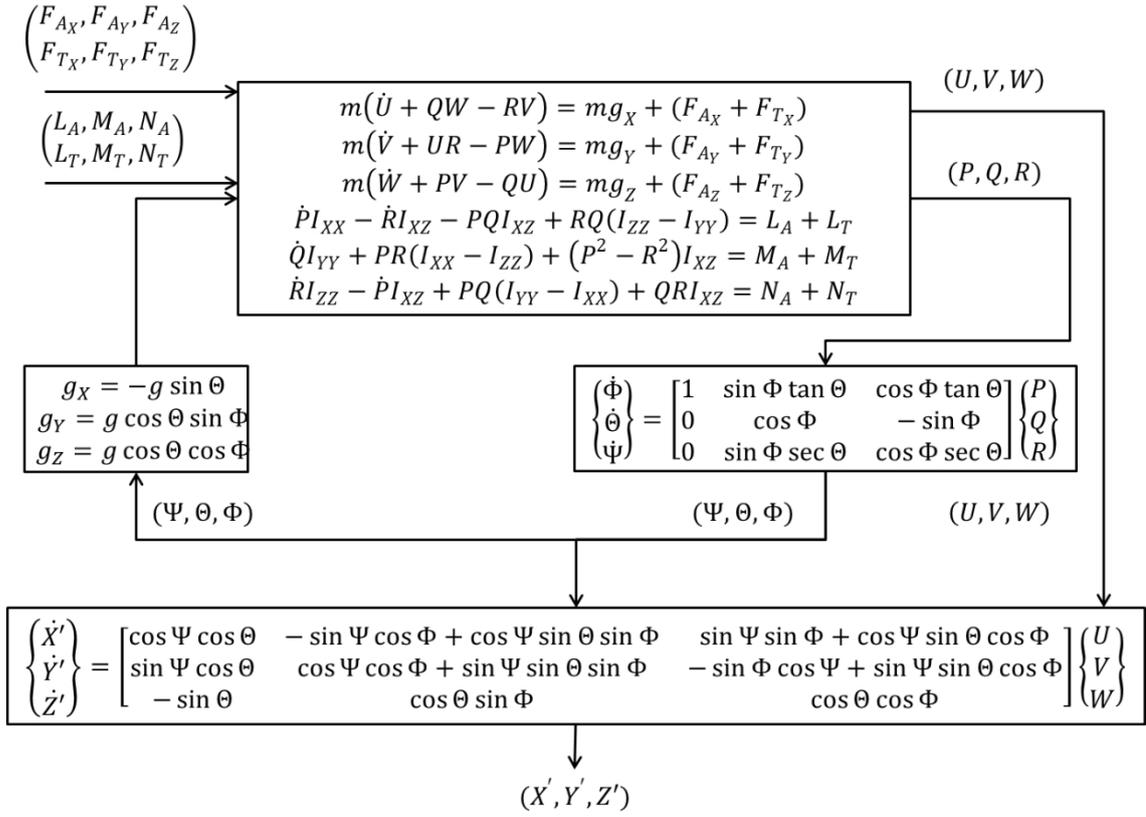


Figure 1: Block diagram showing the integration of the aircraft equation of motion