

# Control of Dual-Airfoil Airborne Wind Energy Systems Based on Nonlinear MPC and MHE

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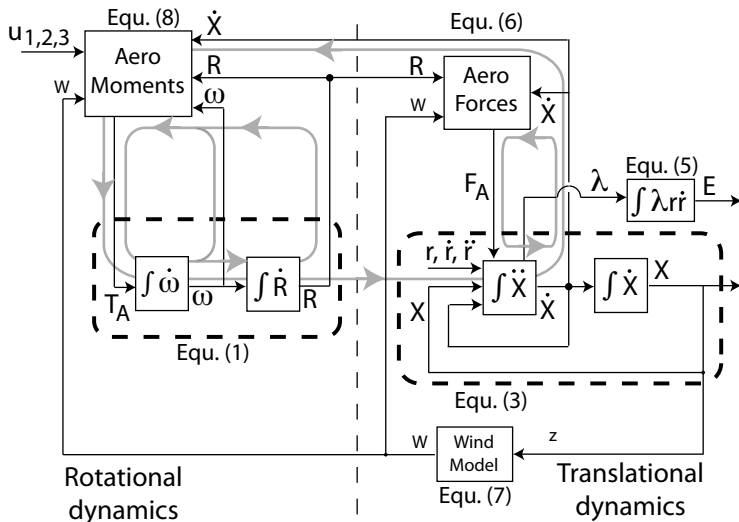
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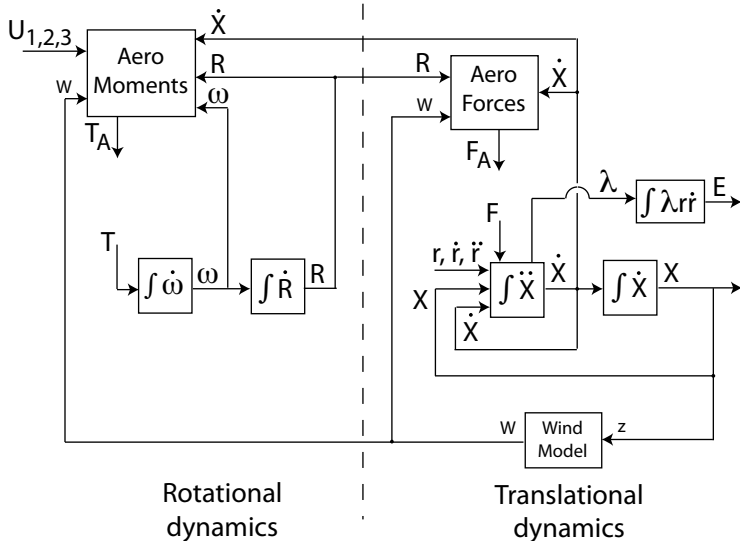
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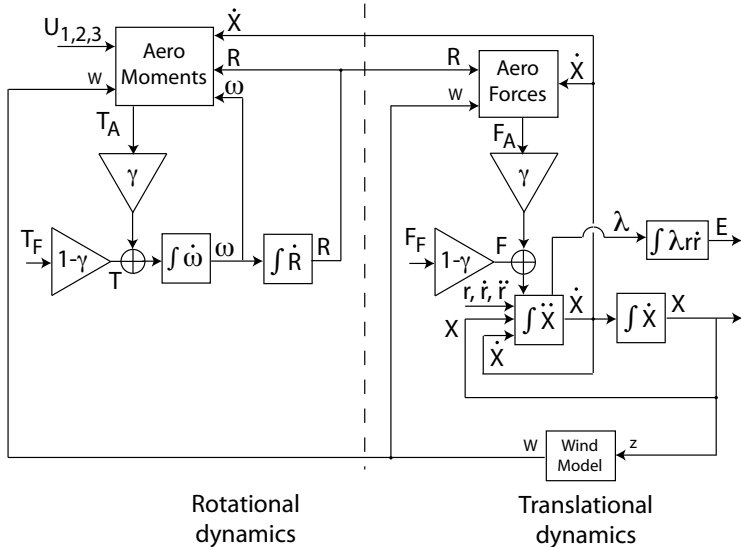
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  - Avoid all unnecessary computations
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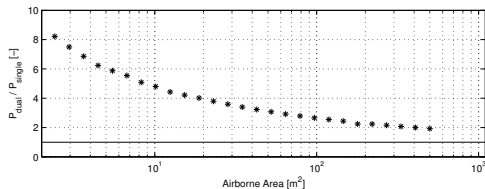
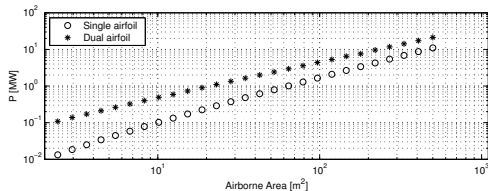
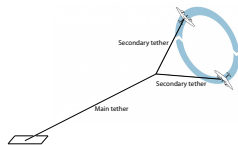
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**Fast implementations for real-time execution**

→ ACADO Code Generation tool

## Dual vs Single Airfoil

- More advantageous than single airfoil [Zanon et al. 2013]
- More complex, nonlinear and unstable





## Modelling

Pointmass model in spherical coordinates [Williams et al., 2008]

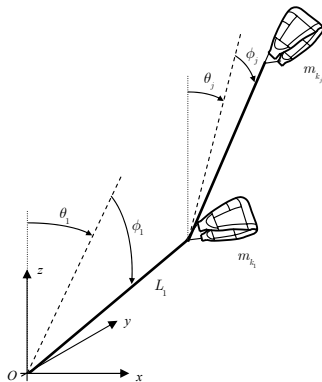


Fig. 2. Multiple kite model with kites on single line.

## Dual airfoil model in spherical coordinates...

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix}
 A_{11} & 0 & 0 & A_{12} & A_{13} & 0 & A_{14} & A_{15} & 0 \\
 0 & A_{22} & 0 & A_{23} & 0 & A_{24} & A_{25} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 1 & A_{32} & 0 & A_{33} & A_{34} & 0 & 0 \\
 A_{41} & A_{42} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 A_{51} & A_{52} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 A_{61} & A_{62} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 A_{71} & A_{72} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 A_{81} & A_{82} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 A_{91} & A_{92} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1
 \end{bmatrix} \quad (35)$$

where

$$A_{11} = 1 / 3 L_1^2 \cos^2 \phi_1 (\rho_1 L_0 + 3 m_2 + 3 L_1 \rho_1 + 3 L_1 \rho_2 + 3 m_3) \quad (36)$$

$$A_{12} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 \cos \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 (\sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + 2 m_1) \quad (37)$$

$$A_{13} = -1 / 2 L_1 L_2 \sin \phi_1 \sin \phi_2 (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + 2 m_1) \quad (38)$$

$$A_{14} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 \cos \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 (\sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_2 + 2 m_2) \quad (39)$$

$$A_{15} = -1 / 2 L_1 L_2 \sin \phi_1 \sin \phi_2 \cos \theta_1 (\sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1) (L_1 \rho_2 + 2 m_2) \quad (40)$$

$$A_{22} = 1 / 3 L_2^2 (\rho_1 L_0 + 3 m_3 + 3 L_1 \rho_1 + 3 L_1 \rho_2 + 3 m_3) \quad (41)$$

$$A_{23} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 \cos \phi_1 \sin \phi_2 (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + 2 m_1) \quad (42)$$

$$A_{24} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 (\sin \phi_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \phi_2 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \phi_1 \cos \theta_1 + \sin \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + 2 m_1) \quad (43)$$

$$A_{25} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 \sin \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + 2 m_1) \quad (44)$$

$$A_{32} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 (\sin \phi_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \phi_2 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \phi_1 \cos \theta_1) (L_1 \rho_2 + 2 m_2) \quad (45)$$

$$A_{33} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 (\sin \phi_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \phi_2 \sin \theta_2 + \cos \phi_1 \cos \theta_1) (L_1 \rho_2 + 2 m_2) \quad (46)$$

$$A_{34} = 1 / 2 L_1 L_2 \cos \phi_1 \cos \theta_1 (\cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_1) (L_1 \rho_2 + 2 m_2) \quad (47)$$

$$A_{41} = -1 / 2 L_1 (\sin \phi_1 \sin \theta_1 \cos \phi_2 \sin \theta_2 - \cos \phi_2 \sin \phi_1 + \sin \phi_1 \cos \theta_1 \cos \phi_2 \cos \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + 2 m_1) \quad (48)$$

$$A_{42} = -1 / 2 L_1 \cos \phi_2 \cos \phi_1 (\sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_1) (L_1 \rho_2 + 2 m_2) \quad (49)$$

$$A_{51} = 1 / 2 L_1^2 \cos^2 \phi_1 (L_1 \rho_1 + 3 m_1) \quad (50)$$

$$A_{61} = 1 / 3 L_1^2 (L_1 \rho_1 + 3 m_1) \quad (51)$$

$$A_{62} = -L_1 \cos \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 (\cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_1) (L_1 \rho_1 + m_1) \quad (52)$$

$$A_{63} = L_1 (\sin \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 - \cos \phi_2 \sin \phi_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 - \cos \phi_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \phi_2 \cos \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + m_1) \quad (53)$$

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$$A_{81} = 1 / 3 L_1^2 (L_1 \rho_1 + 3 m_1) \quad (55)$$

$$A_{91} = L_1 \cos \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_1 - \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + m_1) \quad (56)$$

$$A_{12} = L_1 (\sin \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 - \cos \phi_2 \sin \phi_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 - \cos \phi_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \phi_2 \cos \theta_2) (L_1 \rho_1 + m_1) \quad (57)$$

The right-hand side of the equations of motion are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{\phi}_1 &= 2 m_1 L_1 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) - 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{L}_1 \\
 &\quad - \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) - 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \\
 &\quad + \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 + \rho_1 L_1^2 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \\
 &\quad + \rho_1 L_1^2 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) - 1 / 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1^2 \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \\
 &\quad + 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 + 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\theta}_1 L_1 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \\
 &\quad - 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 - \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \\
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 &\quad - 1 / 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 + 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \\
 &\quad - 2 m_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{L}_1 + m_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1^2 \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \\
 &\quad + 2 m_1 L_1^2 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) - 2 m_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \\
 &\quad + m_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) - \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\theta}_1^2 \dot{L}_1 \\
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 &\quad - 1 / 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\theta}_1^2 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 + 1 / 2 \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \dot{\theta}_1 \sin(\alpha_1) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \\
 &\quad + 2 m_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \cos(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1 + \rho_1 L_1^2 \cos(\alpha_1) \sin(\theta_1) \dot{L}_1
 \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$





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$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{\theta}_1 = & -2m_1L_1\dot{\alpha}_1\dot{L}_1 - 2m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)L_1\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 \\
 & - 2m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1) - m_1L_1^2\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1 \\
 & - 2m_1L_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1 - m_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1^2\sin(\theta_1) \\
 & - m_1L_1^2\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1 + 1/2\rho_1L_1^3\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1^2 + 2m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 \\
 & + m_1L_1^2\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1^2 - 1/2\rho_1L_1^3\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1 - m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
 & - m_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1^2\cos(\theta_1) + m_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 \\
 & + 2m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 + 1/2\rho_1L_1^3\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1) \\
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 & + 1/2\rho_1L_1^3\sin(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 - 1/2\rho_1L_1^3\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
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 & - \rho_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 - \rho_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1) \\
 & + m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 - \rho_1\dot{L}_1^2L_1^2 + m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1) \\
 & - 1/2\rho_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 - \rho_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 \\
 & - \rho_1L_1^2\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1 - \rho_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1) \\
 & + \rho_1L_1^2\sin(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 - 2m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1) \\
 & - 2m_1L_1\sin(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 + Q_1
 \end{aligned} \tag{65}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{\theta}_2 = & -\rho_1L_1^2L_1 + 1/2\rho_1L_1^3\dot{\alpha}_1^2 + 1/2\rho_1L_1^3\dot{\alpha}_2^2 - m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1) \\
 & + m_1L_1\dot{\alpha}_1^2 - \rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 + m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
 & + m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 + m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 \\
 & + 2m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1) + m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
 & - 2m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 + m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
 & + 2m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1) - \rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 \\
 & - 2\rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 + 2\rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 \\
 & + \rho_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1^2L_1 - 2\rho_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
 & - 2m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 - m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1) \\
 & + 2m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1 - m_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1) \\
 & + \rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1^2\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 + 2\rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
 & + 2\rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 + \rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1^2\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1 \\
 & + \rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1^2 + \rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\cos(\alpha_1)\sin(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1^2 \\
 & - 2\rho_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{\alpha}_1\sin(\theta_1)\dot{\theta}_1^2 + 1/2\rho_1L_1^3[\cos(\alpha_1)]^2\dot{\theta}_1^2 + m_1L_1[\cos(\alpha_1)]^2\dot{\theta}_1^2 \\
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 & - m_1L_1 + Q_2 - \rho_1\dot{L}_1L_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1) - \rho_1\dot{L}_1L_1\cos(\alpha_1)\cos(\theta_1) - \rho_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1\sin(\alpha_1)\dot{L}_1 \\
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 \end{aligned} \tag{66}$$

The above equations of motion are implemented in MATLAB and solved as a function of time by expressing them in state-space form.

## C. External Forces

### 1. Aerodynamic Kite Forces

The major external forces acting on the kite-tow system that are not modeled thus far in the equations of motion are the lift and drag forces from the kite, together with the drag forces on the tether. The kite is assumed to be controlled by manipulating its angle of attack and roll angle. Thus, in this study, its attitude dynamics are ignored. The lift and drag forces due to the kite are derived using a velocity coordinate system, as shown in 4.

**Model with Rotation** (Cartesian Coordinates and DCM Parametrization)

$$\begin{bmatrix} M & C \\ C^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\vec{r}} \\ \ddot{\vec{\omega}} \\ \nu \end{bmatrix} = F, \quad \ddot{\vec{r}} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\vec{r}}_0 \\ \ddot{\vec{r}}_1 \\ \ddot{\vec{r}}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \ddot{\vec{\omega}} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\omega}_1 \\ \ddot{\omega}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{\nu} = \begin{bmatrix} \nu_0 \\ \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=0}^3 \xi_k & \frac{1}{2}\xi_1 & \frac{1}{2}\xi_2 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}\xi_1 & \xi_1 + m_1 l_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}\xi_2 & 0 & \xi_2 + m_2 l_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & J_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & J_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{r}_0 & \nabla_{\vec{r}_0} c_1 & \nabla_{\vec{r}_0} c_2 \\ 0 & \nabla_{\vec{r}_1} c_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \nabla_{\vec{r}_2} c_2 \\ 0 & 2P_{R_1} (\nabla_{R_1} c_1) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2P_{R_2} (\nabla_{R_2} c_2) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{F}_0 - \frac{1}{2}g\mu_0 l_0 \vec{1}_3 - \sum_{k=1}^2 \frac{1}{2}g\mu_k l_k \vec{1}_3 \\ \vec{F}_1 - \frac{1}{2}g\mu_1 l_1 \vec{1}_3 - g m_1 \vec{1}_3 \\ \vec{F}_2 - \frac{1}{2}g\mu_2 l_2 \vec{1}_3 - g m_2 \vec{1}_3 \\ \vec{M}_1 - \omega_1 \times J_1 \omega_1 \\ \vec{M}_2 - \omega_2 \times J_2 \omega_2 \\ \nabla_{\vec{r}_0} \dot{c}_0^T \dot{\vec{r}}_0 \\ -\nabla_{\vec{r}_0} \dot{c}_1^T \dot{\vec{r}}_0 - \nabla_{\vec{r}_1} \dot{c}_1^T \dot{\vec{r}}_1 - 2P_{R_1} (\nabla_{R_1} \dot{c}_1)^T \omega_1 \\ -\nabla_{\vec{r}_0} \dot{c}_2^T \dot{\vec{r}}_0 - \nabla_{\vec{r}_2} \dot{c}_2^T \dot{\vec{r}}_2 - 2P_{R_2} (\nabla_{R_2} \dot{c}_2)^T \omega_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{c}_0 = \vec{r}_0^T \dot{\vec{r}}_0, \quad \dot{c}_k = (\vec{r}_k + R_k \vec{r}_T - \vec{r}_0)^T (\dot{\vec{r}}_k + R_k \omega_k \times \vec{r}_T - \dot{\vec{r}}_0)$$

$$\nabla_{\vec{r}_0} c_0 = \vec{r}_0, \quad -\nabla_{\vec{r}_0} \dot{c}_k = \nabla_{\vec{r}_k} \dot{c}_k = (\dot{\vec{r}}_k + R_k \omega_k \times \vec{r}_T - \dot{\vec{r}}_0),$$

$$2P_{R_k} (\nabla_{R_k} c_k) = \vec{r}_T \times R_k^T (\vec{r}_k - \vec{r}_0), \quad -\nabla_{\vec{r}_0} c_k = \nabla_{\vec{r}_k} c_k = \vec{r}_k + R \vec{r}_T - \vec{r}_0,$$

$$2P_{R_k} (\nabla_{R_k} \dot{c}_k) = \vec{r}^T (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) \times (\omega \times \vec{r}_T) + R^T (\dot{\vec{r}} - \dot{\vec{r}}_0) \times \vec{r}_T,$$

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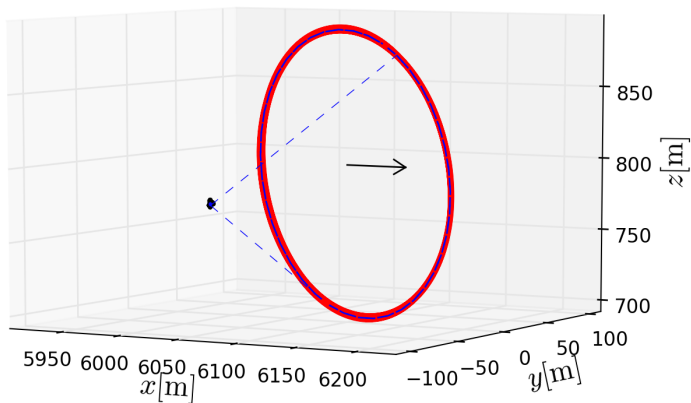
## Measurements

IMU, GPS, Variometer, tether gauge, Pitot tube, air probe (angle of attack and side slip angle), encoders (control surface deflections)



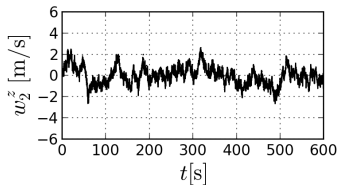
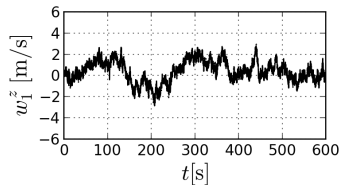
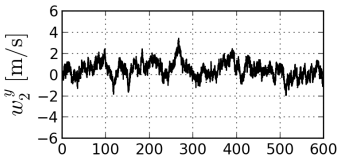
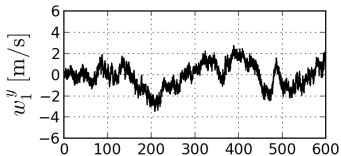
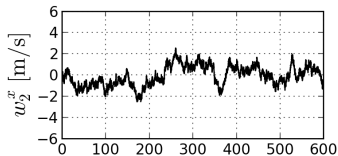
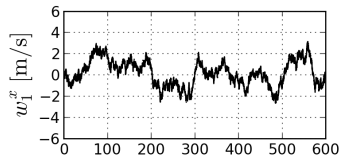
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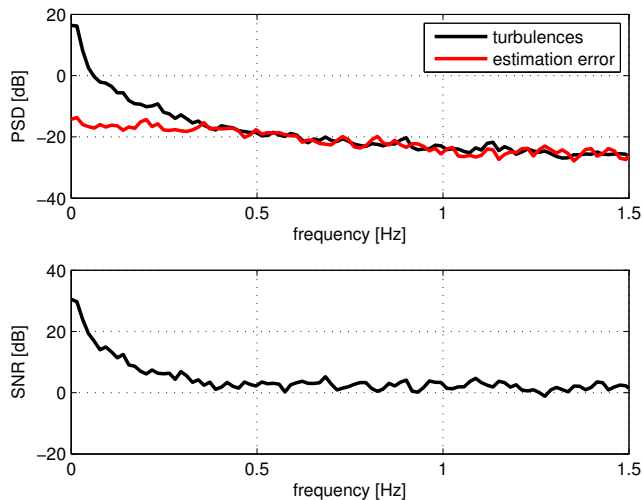
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## Conclusions

- Model of minimal complexity  
DAE: 56 diff. states, 3 alg. states and 14 controls
- Real-time feasible NMPC and MHE
- Wind turbulence estimation

## Future work

- Test the scheme on more accurate turbulence models
- Economic MPC