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The linear theory for spinning projectiles is extended to account for the application of a simple lateral square impulse activated during free flight. Analytical results are shown to produce simple contributions to the familiar aerodynamic jump formulation. Inquiries regarding jump smearing caused by nonzero impulse length are addressed and answered. The formulation shows for sufficiently long-range target interception; lateral impulse trajectory response for a guided projectile is independent of when the impulse is activated during the yaw cycle. Simple mathematical limits show the presented results reducing to those previously found for a zero-spin projectile acted upon by a singular lateral impulse.

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1. Introduction

The continuing development of microelectromechanical systems is pointing to the possibility of mounting complete sensor systems on medium- and small-caliber projectiles as part of an actively controlled smart munition. Two important technical challenges in achieving this goal are the development of small, rugged sensor suites, and control mechanisms. With regard to the development of control mechanisms, several concepts have emerged that produce controllable impulsive lateral forces on a projectile body. For example, Harkins and Brown (1) considered the use of a set of lateral pulse jets or squibs to reduce dispersion of a rocket by firing squibs to minimize projectile pitch and yaw rate. For the notional cases evaluated, dispersion was reduced by a factor of 5. Jitpraphai and Costello (2) considered the same type of control mechanism and used a trajectory tracking flight control system to improve impact point performance of a direct fire rocket equipped with a ring of squibs. Amitay et al. (3) considered the use of synthetic jet actuators as a control mechanism on lifting bodies. For a spinning projectile incorporating a synthetic jet actuator for control, the synthetic jet actuator is activated over a small portion of a roll cycle leading to a train of lateral pulse forces acting on the projectile near the synthetic jet actuator cavity.

The design of flight control systems for fin-stabilized configurations is well established in the missile community and the control response to force and moment inputs is reasonably well understood. Generally these configurations are treated largely in the same manner as airplanes. While the uncontrolled dynamics of spinning projectiles, both fin stabilized and spin stabilized, have been extensively studied in the ballistics community, issues with regard to control response have received considerably less attention due to the lack of practical application of control technology to spinning projectiles. Using projectile linear theory, this report analytically investigates several aspects of the response of a spinning projectile to lateral pulse forces including swerve response magnitude and phase angle, impulse force smearing, and yaw cycle pulse timing. The report begins with a discussion of the basic projectile dynamic model followed by judicious simplifications to these equations that result in the projectile linear theory equations. The solution of the projectile linear theory equations are used to shed light on intuitive and subtle factors that influence swerve response of a projectile exposed to lateral impulsive loads.

2. Projectile Dynamic Model

It is well known that the motion of most projectile configurations can be captured using a rigid body 6 degrees of freedom dynamic model (4, 5). The degrees of freedom include three position components of the mass center of the projectile as well as three Euler orientation angles of the
body. Figures 1 and 2 show schematics of the dynamic model degrees of freedom. The equations of motion are provided in equations 1–4.

Figure 1. Projectile position coordinate definition.

Figure 2. Projectile orientation definition.
\[
\begin{align*}
\begin{bmatrix}
\dot{x} \\
\dot{y} \\
\dot{z}
\end{bmatrix}
&= 
\begin{bmatrix}
c_0 c_\psi \\ c_0 s_\psi \\
-s_\theta s_\psi \\
-c_\theta s_\psi + s_\theta s_\psi \\
c_\theta s_\psi + s_\theta s_\psi \\
-c_\theta s_\psi - s_\theta s_\psi \\
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
u \\
v \\
w
\end{bmatrix}; \\
\begin{bmatrix}
\dot{\phi} \\
\dot{\theta} \\
\dot{\psi}
\end{bmatrix}
&= 
\begin{bmatrix}
1 & s_\theta t_\phi & c_\theta t_\phi \\
0 & c_\theta & -s_\theta \\
0 & s_\theta/c_\theta & c_\theta/c_\theta
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
p \\
q \\
r
\end{bmatrix} = 
\begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0 & t_\phi \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1/c_\theta
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
p \\
q \\
r
\end{bmatrix}; \\
\begin{bmatrix}
\dot{u} \\
\dot{v} \\
\dot{w}
\end{bmatrix} = 
\begin{bmatrix}
X/m \\
Y/m \\
Z/m
\end{bmatrix} - 
\begin{bmatrix}
0 & -r & q \\
r & 0 & -p \\
-q & p & 0
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
u \\
v \\
w
\end{bmatrix}; \\
\begin{bmatrix}
\dot{p} \\
\dot{q} \\
\dot{r}
\end{bmatrix} = I^{-1}
\begin{bmatrix}
L \\
M \\
N
\end{bmatrix} - 
\begin{bmatrix}
0 & -r & q \\
r & 0 & -p \\
-q & p & 0
\end{bmatrix}I
\begin{bmatrix}
p \\
q \\
r
\end{bmatrix}.
\end{align*}
\]

The applied forces in the body frame that appear in equation 5 contain contributions from weight (W), air loads (A), and lateral pulse forces (C).

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
X \\
Y \\
Z
\end{bmatrix} = 
\begin{bmatrix}
X_W \\
Y_W \\
Z_W
\end{bmatrix} + 
\begin{bmatrix}
X_A \\
Y_A \\
Z_A
\end{bmatrix} + 
\begin{bmatrix}
X_C \\
Y_C \\
Z_C
\end{bmatrix}.
\]

The weight force resolved into projectile body coordinates is given by equation 6,

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
X_W \\
Y_W \\
Z_W
\end{bmatrix} = mg \begin{bmatrix}
-s_\theta \\
s_\theta c_\theta
\end{bmatrix}.
\]

The air loads are split in two components, the standard aerodynamic forces and the Magnus forces,

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
X_A \\
Y_A \\
Z_A
\end{bmatrix} = 
\begin{bmatrix}
X_{AS} \\
Y_{AS} \\
Z_{AS}
\end{bmatrix} + 
\begin{bmatrix}
X_{AM} \\
Y_{AM} \\
Z_{AM}
\end{bmatrix}.
\]
Equation 8 gives the standard air loads acting at the aerodynamic center of pressure.

$$
\begin{bmatrix}
X_{AS} \\
Y_{AS} \\
Z_{AS}
\end{bmatrix} = -q_s \begin{bmatrix}
C_{X_0} + C_{X_2} \left( \frac{v^2 + w^2}{V^2} \right) \\
C_{Y_0} + C_{NA} \frac{v}{V} \\
C_{Z_0} + C_{NA} \frac{w}{V}
\end{bmatrix},
$$

(8)

where

$$
q_s = \frac{1}{8} \rho (u^2 + v^2 + w^2) \pi D^2
$$

(9)

and

$$
V = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2 + w^2}.
$$

(10)

The Magnus aerodynamic force acts at the Magnus center of pressure.

$$
\begin{bmatrix}
X_{AM} \\
Y_{AM} \\
Z_{AM}
\end{bmatrix} = -q_s \begin{bmatrix}
0 \\
pD C_{NPA} \frac{w}{2V} \\
-pD C_{NPA} \frac{v}{2V}
\end{bmatrix}.
$$

(11)

The lateral pulse force is modeled as an impulse that acts on an arbitrary point on the body.

$$
\begin{bmatrix}
X_c \\
X_c \\
Z_c
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
0 \\
Y \end{bmatrix} d(t).
$$

(12)

In equation 12, $Y$ and $Z$ represent the lateral components of the impulse. The total magnitude of the impulse on the projectile is $F = \sqrt{Y^2 + Z^2}$. The function $d(t)$ is a constant positive value when the pulse is active and is zero otherwise. This function integrates to unity for a single pulse.

The applied moments about the projectile mass center are due to aerodynamic forces and moments (A) as well as pulse forces (C).

$$
\begin{bmatrix}
L \\
M \\
N
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
L_{SA} \\
M_{SA} \\
N_{SA}
\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}
L_{UA} \\
M_{UA} \\
N_{UA}
\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}
L_{C} \\
M_{C} \\
N_{m}
\end{bmatrix}.
$$

(13)
The aerodynamic moments caused by standard and Magnus air loads are computed with a cross product between the distance vector from the mass center to the force application point and the force itself. An unsteady aerodynamic damping moment is also present, which provides a damping source for angular motion.

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
    L_{UA} \\
    M_{UA} \\
    N_{UA}
\end{bmatrix} = q_s D \begin{bmatrix}
    C_{DD} + \frac{pDC_{LP}}{2V} \\
    \frac{qDC_{MQ}}{2V} \\
    \frac{rDC_{MQ}}{2V}
\end{bmatrix}.
\]

(14)

All aerodynamic coefficients and the center of pressures are a function of the Mach number of the projectile mass center. The dynamic model previously described is highly nonlinear due to both three-dimensional rotational kinematics expressions and the presence of complex aerodynamic forces. The applicability of the equations of motion previously shown, have been validated over the past 60 years at aeroballistic ranges throughout the world (5).

### 3. Projectile Linear Theory

Pressed with the need to predict the trajectory and stability of a ballistic shell so that useful performance data could be generated with primitive computers, early ballisticsicians vigorously investigated mathematical simplifications to the equations of motion of a projectile. What emerged over time was a set of simplified and solvable, yet accurate, linear differential equations, which today is commonly termed "projectile linear theory."

The governing equations developed previously are expressed in the body reference frame. In projectile linear theory, the lateral translational and rotational velocity components are transformed to a nonrolling reference frame. The nonrolling frame or so-called fixed plane frame proceeds with only precession and nutation rotations from an inertial reference frame. Components of linear and angular body velocities in the fixed plane frame can be computed from the body frame components of the same vector through a single-axis rotational transformation. For example, the body frame components of the projectile mass center velocity are transformed to the fixed plane frame by

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
    \tilde{u} \\
    \tilde{v} \\
    \tilde{w}
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
    1 & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & \cos\phi & \sin\phi \\
    0 & -\sin\phi & \cos\phi
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
    u \\
    v \\
    w
\end{bmatrix}.
\]

(15)
It should be noted that the ~ superscript indicates the vector components are described in the fixed plane reference frame. In projectile linear theory, a change of variables from station line velocity component, \( u \), to total velocity, \( V \), is performed. Equations 16 and 17 relate \( V \) and \( u \) and their derivatives.

\[
V = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2 + w^2} = \sqrt{u^2 + \dot{V}^2 + \dot{\omega}^2};
\]

\[
\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{\dot{u}}{V} + \frac{\dot{v}}{V} + \frac{\dot{w}}{V} = \frac{\dot{u}}{dt} + \frac{\dot{v}}{dt} + \frac{\dot{w}}{dt}.
\]

A change of variables from time, \( t \), to dimensionless arc length, \( s \), is also made. Equation 18, as defined by Murphy (4), gives the dimensionless arc length,

\[
s = \frac{1}{D} \int_0^t V dt.
\]

Equations 19 and 20 relate time and arc length derivatives of a given quantity \( \zeta \). Dotted terms refer to time derivatives, and primed terms denote dimensionless arc length derivatives.

\[
\dot{\zeta} = \left( \frac{D}{V} \right) \zeta',
\]

\[
\ddot{\zeta} = \left( \frac{D}{V} \right)^2 \left[ \zeta'' + \frac{V'}{V} \zeta' \right].
\]

In projectile linear theory, several assumptions regarding the relative size of different quantities are made to simplify the analysis. Euler yaw and pitch angles are small so that: \( \sin(\theta) \approx \theta \), \( \cos(\theta) \approx 1 \), \( \sin(\psi) \approx \psi \), and \( \cos(\psi) \approx 1 \) and the aerodynamic angle of attack is small so that \( \alpha = \omega/V \) and \( \beta = \nu/V \). The projectile is mass balanced such that \( I_{xy} = I_{xz} = I_{yz} = 0 \) and \( I_{x} = I_{y} \Rightarrow I_{xy} = I_{yx} = I_{zz} = I_{y} \). The projectile is aerodynamically symmetric such that \( C_{y} = C_{z} = 0 \). Quantities \( V \) and \( \phi \) are large compared to \( \theta, \psi, q, r, v, \) and \( w \), such that products of small quantities and their derivatives are negligible. Application of these assumptions results in equations 21–29.

\[
x' = D;
\]

\[
y' = \frac{D}{V} \dot{\nu} + D\psi;
\]

\[
z' = \frac{D}{V} \dot{\omega} - D\theta;
\]
\[
\phi' = \frac{D}{V} p; \quad (24)
\]
\[
\theta' = \frac{D}{V} \tilde{q}; \quad (25)
\]
\[
\psi' = \frac{D}{V} \tilde{r}; \quad (26)
\]
\[
V' = -\frac{\rho SD C_{x0}}{2m} V - \frac{D g \theta}{V}; \quad (27)
\]
\[
p' = \frac{\rho SD^2 C_{1DD}}{2I_x} V + \frac{\rho SD^3 C_{1P}}{4I_x} p; \quad (28)
\]
\[
\begin{pmatrix}
\tilde{\nu}' \\
\tilde{w}' \\
\tilde{q}' \\
\tilde{r}'
\end{pmatrix}
= \begin{pmatrix}
-A & 0 & 0 & -D \\
0 & -A & D & 0 \\
B' & C' & E & -F \\
-C' & B' & F & E
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
\tilde{\nu} \\
\tilde{w} \\
\tilde{q} \\
\tilde{r}
\end{pmatrix}
+ \begin{pmatrix}
Y_i \\
Z_i + G \\
M_i \\
N_i
\end{pmatrix}; \quad (29)
\]
\[
\begin{pmatrix}
A \\
B \\
C \\
E \\
F
\end{pmatrix}
= \begin{pmatrix}
\frac{\pi \rho D^3 C_{NA}}{8 m} \\
\frac{\pi \rho D^3 C_{YPA} (SL_{MAG} - SL_{CG})}{16 I_y V_0} \\
\frac{\pi \rho D^4 C_{NA} (SL_{COP} - SL_{CG})}{8 I_y} \\
\frac{\pi \rho D^3 C_{MQ}}{16 I_y} \\
\frac{pD I_x}{I_y V_0}
\end{pmatrix} \quad (30)
\]

These equations are a coupled set of linear differential equations except for the fact that the total velocity, V, appears in the coefficients of many of the dynamic equations.

4. Projectile Linear Theory Solution

Linear theory offers physical insight into the projectile flight dynamics because closed form solutions can be readily obtained (4). Using the assumption that V changes slowly with respect
to the other variables, it is thus considered to be constant, $V \approx V_0$, when it appears as a coefficient in all dynamic equations except its own. Moreover, pitch attitude of the projectile is regarded as constant in the velocity equation, uncoupling the velocity equation from the system. The angle-of-attack dynamics or epicyclic motion in equation 29, together with the roll dynamics in equation 28 are uncoupled and form a linear system of differential equations. In projectile linear theory, the Magnus force in equations 25 and 26 is typically regarded as small in comparison to the other aerodynamic forces and is shown only for completeness. In further manipulation of the equations, all Magnus forces will be dropped. Magnus moments will be retained however, due to the magnitude amplification resulting from the cross product between Magnus force and its respective moment arm.

The solution to the differential equation equation 27, for the forward velocity, is

$$V(s) = \sqrt{V_0^2 e^{-2a_v s} + \frac{b_v}{a_v} \left( e^{-2a_v s} - 1 \right)},$$

(31)

where

$$a_v = \frac{\rho SD C_{x0}}{2m}$$

(32)

and

$$b_v = gD\theta_0.$$  

(33)

When $\theta_0 = 0$, the velocity solution reduces to the familiar exponential decay form (4).

The roll dynamic equation is a nonhomogeneous linear differential equation with the following solution:

$$p(s) = \left( p_o + \frac{a_p}{b_p} V_0 \right) e^{b_p s} - \frac{a_p}{b_p} V_0,$$

(34)

where

$$a_p = \frac{\rho SD^2 C_{1DD}}{2I_{XX}}$$

(35)

and

$$b_p = \frac{\rho SD^3 C_{1dp}}{4I_{XX}}.$$  

(36)
In order to develop the swerve closed form solution, the epicyclic equations must first be solved because the lateral translation and rotational velocity components are contained in the attitude differential equations, and the attitudes are contained within the swerve differential equations.

The epicyclic differential equations consist of a set of four coupled nonhomogeneous differential equations. The homogeneous solution is easily formed using the free vibration modes and mode shapes, and the results are given by the intrinsic complex expression,

\[
2 \begin{bmatrix} s_f \\ s_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (E - A) + iF \pm \sqrt{(E + A)^2 - F^2 + 4C + 2i((E + A)F + 2B)} \\ (E - A) - iF \pm \sqrt{(E + A)^2 - F^2 + 4C - 2i((E + A)F + 2B)} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{37}
\]

The sum and product of \( s_f \) and \( s_s \) give the relations found in the next expression,

\[
\begin{bmatrix} E - A \\ \Phi_f \Phi_s - \lambda_f \lambda_s \\ A \Phi + C \\ -F \Phi + B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_f + \lambda_s \\ \Phi_f + \Phi_s \\ \Phi_f + \Phi_s - \lambda_f \lambda_s \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{38}
\]

Two more simplifications based on size are introduced. First, neglect the product of damping and secondly, the product \( AE \) is neglected because the density ratio is assumed small. A solution may now be obtained for both the fast and the slow damping factors and turning rates for the translational and rotational velocities.

\[
\lambda_f = \frac{-(A - E)}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{F}{\sqrt{F^2 - 4C}} \left( 1 - \frac{2AF + 2B}{FA - E} \right) \right]; \tag{39}
\]

\[
\Phi_f = \frac{1}{2} \left[ F + \sqrt{F^2 - 4C} \right]; \tag{40}
\]

\[
\lambda_s = \frac{-(A - E)}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{F}{\sqrt{F^2 - 4C}} \left( 1 - \frac{2AF + 2B}{FA - E} \right) \right]; \tag{41}
\]
5. Pulse Force and Moment Conditions

The pulse force applied to the projectile is taken to be a lateral impulsive force, and this force is due to an actuator attached to the projectile body (equation 29). For this investigation, the force actuator is modeled as a scaled square wave pulse so that the resulting force and moment components in the nonrolling frame are as follows:

\[
\Phi_i = \frac{1}{2} \left[ F - \sqrt{F^2 - 4C} \right].
\]  

\[Y_1 = \frac{F^* V_0 \left( \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n \right) - \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n - L_n \right) \right) \cos \left( \frac{D_p}{V_0} s + \phi_B \right)}{2L_n}; \]  

\[Z_1 = \frac{F^* V_0 \left( \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n \right) - \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n - L_n \right) \right) \sin \left( \frac{D_p}{V_0} s + \phi_B \right)}{2L_n}; \]  

\[M_1 = -\frac{M^* V_0 \left( \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n \right) - \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n - L_n \right) \right) \sin \left( \frac{D_p}{V_0} s + \phi_B \right)}{2D_L n}; \]  

\[N_1 = \frac{M^* V_0 \left( \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n \right) - \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n - L_n \right) \right) \cos \left( \frac{D_p}{V_0} s + \phi_B \right)}{2D_L n}, \]

for a square wave pulse of length \( L_n \) that is initiated at \( s_n \) represented as

\[F^* = \frac{DF_{\Delta}}{mV_0^2} \]  

\[\text{and} \]

10
\[
M^* = \frac{D^2 F_0 X_f}{I_y V_0^2}.
\]

Note that the last two expressions become equivalent to delta function impulses in the limit of \(L_n \to 0\).

Once the simplified mode shapes of equation 29 are obtained, the initial conditions for \(\bar{v}, \bar{w}, \bar{q},\) and \(\bar{r}\) are used to complete the solution. Equations 49 and 50 are the analytical solutions for the fixed plane translation velocities \(\bar{v}\) and \(\bar{w}\), expressed in phase-amplitude form.

\[
\bar{v}(s) = V_7 e^{\lambda s} \cos(\Phi_s s - \Theta_v) + V_8 e^{\lambda s} \sin(\Phi_s s - \Theta_v)
+ F_1(\Phi_r s, \Phi_s s)
+ F_2(\phi_B) \left( \frac{\text{sgn}(s - s_n) - \text{sgn}(s - s_n - L_n)}{2} \right)
+ F_3(\phi_B) \left( \frac{\text{sgn}(s - s_n - L_n) + 1}{2} \right);
\]

\[
\bar{w}(s) = V_7 e^{\lambda s} \sin(\Phi_r s - \Theta_v) - V_8 e^{\lambda s} \cos(\Phi_s s - \Theta_v)
+ F_1\left( \Phi_r s - \frac{\pi}{2}, \Phi_s s - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)
+ F_2\left( \phi_B - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \left( \frac{\text{sgn}(s - s_n) - \text{sgn}(s - s_n - L_n)}{2} \right)
+ F_3\left( \phi_B - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \left( \frac{\text{sgn}(s - s_n - L_n) + 1}{2} \right),
\]

where

\[
V_1 = \sqrt{\left( \frac{F_0 F_s \bar{v}_0 + F_1(\bar{w}_0 E - \tilde{q}_D)}{\Phi_r(\Phi_s - \Phi_r)} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\Phi_r(\bar{w}_0 F_r) - \bar{v}_0 E - \tilde{q}_D}{\Phi_r(\Phi_s - \Phi_r)} \right)^2}
\]
\[ V_2 = \left( \frac{F - \Phi_s}{\Phi_s} \dot{\Phi}_0 + \Phi_s \left( \ddot{\Phi}_0 E - \ddot{q}_0 D \right) \right)^2 + \left( \Phi_s \left( \ddot{\Phi}_0 \left( F - \Phi_f \right) - \ddot{\Phi}_0 E - \ddot{q}_0 D \right) \right)^2 \]  
\[ \Theta_{v_1} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\Phi_f \left( \ddot{\Phi}_0 \left( F - \Phi_f \right) - \ddot{\Phi}_0 E - \ddot{q}_0 D \right)}{(F - \Phi_f) \Phi_f \dot{\Phi}_0 + \Phi_f \left( \ddot{\Phi}_0 E - \ddot{q}_0 D \right)} \right) \]  
\[ \Theta_{v_2} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{(F - \Phi_s) \Phi_s \dot{\Phi}_0 + \Phi_s \left( \ddot{\Phi}_0 E - \ddot{q}_0 D \right)}{\Phi_s \left( \ddot{\Phi}_0 \left( F - \Phi_s \right) - \ddot{\Phi}_0 E - \ddot{q}_0 D \right)} \right) \]  
\[ F_1(\Phi_f, \Phi_s, s) = \frac{G e^{\lambda_s} \left[ \frac{(P - \Phi_f) F - P \Phi_f + \Phi_f^2 \cos(\Phi_f s)}{\Phi_f (P - \Phi_f) (\Phi_s - \Phi_f)} \right] + (P - \Phi_f) E \sin(\Phi_f s)}{\Phi_f (P - \Phi_f) (\Phi_s - \Phi_f)} \]  
\[ - \frac{F G}{\Phi_f \Phi_s} \]
\[ F_2(\phi_B) = \frac{V_0 e^{\lambda r(s-s_n)}}{(\Phi_s - \Phi_f)(P - \Phi_f)^{L_n}} \left[ (\Phi_f - F) F' \sin \Omega_f + (M^* + EF') \cos \Omega_f \right] \]
\[ - V_0 e^{\lambda r(s-s_n)} \left[ (\Phi_s - \Phi_f) F' \sin \Omega_s + (M^* + EF') \cos \Omega_s \right] \]
\[ + \frac{V_0 [F'(P - F) \sin (Ps + \Phi_B) + (M^* + EF') \cos (Ps + \Phi_B)]}{(P - \Phi_f) (P - \Phi_s) L_n} \] (56)

\[ F_3(\phi_B) = \frac{V_0 e^{\lambda r(s-\nu-s_n)}}{(\Phi_s - \Phi_f)(P - \Phi_f)^{L_n}} \left\{ e^{\lambda \nu} \left( (M^* + EF') \cos \Omega_f + (\Phi_f - F) F' \sin \Omega_f \right) \right\} \]
\[ - (F - \Phi_f) F' \sin \Delta_f - (M^* + EF') \cos \Delta_f \] (57)

\[ p = \frac{DP}{V_0} \] (58)

\[ \Omega_f = \left( P - \Phi_f \right) s_n + \Phi_B + \Phi_f s, \quad \Omega_s = - \left( P - \Phi_s \right) s_n - \Phi_B - \Phi_s s \] (59)

\[ \Delta_f = \left( P - \Phi_f \right) L_n + \Omega_f, \quad \Delta_s = \left( P - \Phi_f \right) L_n - \Omega_s \] (60)

Swerving motion is measured along the earth-fixed J_1 and K_1 axes. To an observer standing behind the gun tube, these axes are oriented such that positive J_1 is to the right and positive K_1 is pointed downward. The swerving motion results from a combination of the normal aerodynamic forces, as the projectile pitches and yaws, plus the forces and moments due to the applied impulse. Differentiating equations 22 and 23 with respect to nondimensional arc length, generates the swerve equations such that
\[
\begin{align*}
\left(\frac{y}{D}\right)^{''} &= F^* \left( \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n \right) \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n - L_n \right) \cos \left( ps + \phi_B \right) \right) \frac{2L_n}{A\tilde{V}} - \frac{A\tilde{V}}{V_0}, \\
\left(\frac{z}{D}\right)^{''} &= F^* \left( \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n \right) \text{sgn} \left( s - s_n - L_n \right) \sin \left( ps + \phi_B \right) \right) + \frac{G - A\tilde{W}}{V_0}.
\end{align*}
\]

Integrating these equations is straightforward, but the solutions are judged to be too long to be listed here. However, the asymptotic limit of these solutions, \( s \to \infty \), is of special interest. For a stable projectile, the swerve caused by epicyclical vibration decays as the projectile progresses downrange and does not affect the long-term lateral motion of the projectile. When a lateral pulse is applied to the projectile at arc length \( s_n \), its effect on the target impact point is predominantly due to induced jump, provided the target distance is sufficient to allow the transients to decay. Projectile linear theory shows that the long-term center of mass solution, or swerve, contains terms that remain bounded with arc length \( s \) plus terms that are linear with \( s \), and if gravity is included the solution will have even higher order diverging terms. These higher order terms are typically denoted as gravity drop. The linear terms are called jump terms, which are caused by initial conditions at the gun muzzle, lateral pulse forces, and aerodynamic characteristics. Mathematically, setting gravity to zero and subsequently evaluating the following limits formally defines total jump.

\[
\lim_{s \to \infty} \frac{y(s)}{D_s} = \Gamma_j, \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{s \to \infty} \frac{z(s)}{D_s} = \Gamma_k.
\]

The total jump vector \( \Gamma \) is expressed as the sum of two vectors. The first vector represents the jump attributable to muzzle conditions, and the lateral pulse is represented by the second, thus resulting in the following expression:

\[
\begin{align*}
\begin{bmatrix}
\Gamma_j \\
\Gamma_k
\end{bmatrix} &= \frac{A}{(AF + B)^2 + (AE + C)^2} \begin{bmatrix}
AF + B & -AE - C \\
AE + C & AF + B
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
v_oF + w_oE - q_oD \\
w_oF - v_oE - r_oD
\end{bmatrix} + \Lambda \begin{bmatrix}
\cos \Pi \\
\sin \Pi
\end{bmatrix},
\end{align*}
\]

for which
\[ Y = \frac{A(AF+B)M^* + A(BE-CF)F^*}{(AF+B)^2 + (AE+C)^2}, \]
\[ Z = \frac{(ABF+ACE+C^2+B^2)F^* - A(AE+C)M^*}{(AF+B)^2 + (AE+C)^2}, \]
\[ \Pi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{Z}{Y} - \frac{P_{L_n}}{2} - P_{S_n} - \varphi_B\right) \rightarrow \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{Z}{Y} - P_{S_n} - \varphi_B\right) \text{ as } L_n \rightarrow 0, \]

and
\[ \Lambda = \sqrt{Y^2 + Z^2} \sin\left(\frac{P_{L_n}/2}{PL_n/2}\right) \rightarrow \sqrt{Y^2 + Z^2} \text{ as } L_n \rightarrow 0. \quad (65) \]

The quantities \( \Lambda \) and \( \Pi \) are the magnitude and phase angle of the jump vector attributed to the lateral pulse. It is interesting to note that the jump terms induced by the lateral pulse are not dependent on the lateral state of the projectile \((\vec{v}(s), \vec{w}(s), \vec{q}(s), \text{ and } \vec{r}(s))\), thus this particular contribution to jump is not coupled to the projectile's angle of attack. Equation 65 extends the work by Guidos and Cooper (6) who considered nonspinning projectiles subject to a singular delta function impulse. Limiting \( \begin{pmatrix} L_n, P \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow 0 \) in equations 64 and 65 produces expressions that agree with their previous predictions.

6. Lateral Pulse Smearing

In order to better understand the swerve response due to a lateral pulse, results for a representative spin-stabilized 40-mm projectile configuration are calculated and discussed in this and the next two sections. Nominal values for the aerodynamic coefficients, the projectile physical parameters, and flight characteristics are given in the Appendix. All results presented use these values unless specified differently. Diversions from these nominal values are clear from the context of the particular chart under examination.

Plots showing the effect of smearing are given in Figures 3 and 4 for the applied force \( F^* = 3.838 \times 10^{-5} \) and moment arms \( X_r/D = \left[ -0.635 \quad \text{to} \quad +0.635 \right] \). Negative values of \( X_r \) indicate that the application point of the pulse force is aft of the mass center while positive values indicate the pulse force is forward of the mass center. To illustrate the smearing effects, the roll position, \( \phi_N \), of the lateral impulse force is assumed to act primarily along the nonrolling \( Y \)-axis. This means the arc length, \( s_N \), corresponding to the center of the pulse satisfies the
Figure 3. Jump component-j due to lateral impulse vs. impulse duration.

Figure 4. Jump component-k due to lateral impulse vs. impulse duration.
expression $\phi_N = \phi_s N + \phi_B = 2\pi N, N = 0, 1, 2 \ldots$. To ensure this force is acting nominally along the nonrolling Y-axis, the activation point begins at $s_a = s_N - L_n/2$ so that the duration of the impulse brackets $\phi_N = 2\pi N$. Increasing pulse length, $L_n$, causes the jump components to cyclically decay while its value at $L_n = 0$ corresponds to a lateral impulse that is proportional to the delta function $\delta(s - s_a)$. Values of $L_n$ where the jump is zero represent situations where the duration of the lateral pulse coincides with a roll cycle. This accounts for the post multiplier, \[
\sin \left( \frac{pDL_n}{2V_0} \right),
\] in equation 65 having $2\pi$ zero crossings and causes the cyclical jump results in Figures 3 and 4. Notice for the cases presented the response due to a pulse in the $J_1$ direction is predominantly along $J_1$; however, a smaller out-of-phase component of swerve is also generated.

7. Lateral Pulse Response Magnitude and Phase Angle

Figure 5 has charts showing the absolute value of $\Lambda$ as a function of the pulse length $L_n$ for the previous parameter values $F^* = 3.838 \times 10^{-5}$ and $X_r/D = \begin{bmatrix} -0.635 & -0.635 \end{bmatrix}$. Here again the impulse is assumed to bracket $\phi_N = 2\pi N$. The maximum value occurs at $L_n = 0$, which is the delta function result, as is justified from equation 65. Consideration of $\Lambda$ as a function of spin rate $p$ is displayed in Figure 6 for several pulse durations $L_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 40 \end{bmatrix}$. This figure shows that the rate at which the aerodynamic jump magnitude decreases, with spin rate, is strongly dependent on the pulse duration. Again, this is attributed to cancellation (i.e., smearing) effects, which become more pronounced with increasing values of $L_n$.

Figure 7 gives the phase angle, $\Pi$, (equation 65) as a function of spin rate for the same values of the moment arm length $X_r/D$ previously discussed. Notice that the phase angle linearly increases with spin rate, indicating that spin-stabilized projectiles are most susceptible to an out-of-phase swerve response due to lateral pulse forces.

8. Target Interception

The last topic discussed in this report examines the relationship between a given change in aerodynamic jump, \[
\begin{bmatrix} \Delta \Gamma_1 \\ \Delta \Gamma_k \end{bmatrix},
\] and the impulse needed to create this change. This may be desirable
Figure 5. Magnitude of jump due to lateral impulse vs. impulse duration.

Figure 6. Magnitude of jump due to lateral impulse vs. spin rate.
Figure 7. Phase angle of jump due to lateral impulse vs. spin rate.

when the activated impulse is strong enough to force a projectile to strike its target, located at a relative position \( \left\{ \Delta \Gamma_j, \Delta \Gamma_K \right\} \), with a single impulse. Hence, equation 64 requires

\[
\begin{bmatrix} \Delta \Gamma_j \\ \Delta \Gamma_K \end{bmatrix} = \Lambda \begin{bmatrix} \sin \Pi \\ \cos \Pi \end{bmatrix}.
\]

(66)

Solving this system for \( \Pi \) and insisting that \( \Pi \) remains real valued yields the following two equations for target interception:

\[
\sin^2 \left( \frac{pD_s}{2V_0} \right) = \frac{pD_s}{2V_0} \frac{\Delta \Gamma_j + \Delta \Gamma_K}{\Sigma_j^2 + \Sigma_K^2},
\]

(67)

and

\[
\frac{pD_s}{V_0} + \phi_B = -\frac{pDL}{2V_0} + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\Delta \Gamma_K \Sigma_j - \Delta \Gamma_j \Sigma_K}{\Delta \Gamma_j \Sigma_j + \Delta \Gamma_K \Sigma_K} \right) + 2\pi N.
\]

(68)
Using equation 65, the impulse force \( F_j \) can be determined from equation 67, for a given moment arm \( X_r \), and then equation 68 solved for \( \phi_B \) will guarantee target impact, provided the relative target position, \( \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \Gamma_j \\ \Delta \Gamma_k \end{bmatrix} \), is known.

9. Conclusions

An analytical approach for quantifying the effect of a lateral square impulse disturbing a projectile during free flight has been presented. All of the analysis was based on projectile linear theory, which produces simple closed form solutions for the assumed square pulse disturbance. These solutions are then used to calculate the projectile swerving motion, so that the long-term effects of the lateral impulse are readily determined. The primary interest regarding target interception is the projectile's aerodynamic jump. Changes to aerodynamic jump caused by the lateral impulse forces were shown to produce easy-to-understand additive contributions to the usual aerodynamic jump of a free-flight projectile with no applied impulse.

The important question concerning smearing effects originating from a finite length pulse has been addressed where pulse-induced control authority is shown to diminish as \( 1/L_n \).

Calculations also show the additional aerodynamic jump magnitude, \( \Sigma \), decreases with spin rate \( p \) when subjected to various pulse lengths \( L_n \).
10. References


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Appendix A. Flight Coefficients for a 40-mm Projectile

The numerical values used for the graphical presentations given in this report are shown in the following matrices:

Aerodynamic coefficients:

\[
\begin{align*}
\begin{pmatrix}
C_{x0} \\
C_{x2} \\
C_{nA} \\
C_{yPA} \\
C_{LP} \\
C_{MQ}
\end{pmatrix}
= \begin{pmatrix}
0.279 \\
2.672 \\
2.329 \\
-0.295 \\
-0.042 \\
-1.800
\end{pmatrix}.
\end{align*}
\] (A-1)

Physical parameters:

\[
\begin{align*}
\begin{pmatrix}
m \\
I_X \\
I_Y \\
D \\
SL_{CO} \\
SL_{MAG} \\
SL_{CG}
\end{pmatrix}
= \begin{pmatrix}
0.0116 \text{ Slug} \\
2.85 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Slug ft.}^2 \\
2.72 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Slug ft.}^2 \\
0.137 \text{ ft.} \\
0.237 \text{ ft.} \\
0.239 \text{ ft.} \\
0.0713 \text{ ft.}
\end{pmatrix}.
\end{align*}
\] (A-2)
Flight characteristics:

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
\rho \\
V_0 \\
p
\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}
2.38 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Slug ft.}^{-3} \\
250.0 \text{ ft. sec.}^{-1} \\
399.7 \text{ sec.}^{-1}
\end{pmatrix}
\]  
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\( X_r \) Dimensional moment arm length

\( Y_t \) Applied force components in the no-roll reference frame

\( Z_t \)

\( \{x,y,z\} \) Position vector of body center of mass in an inertial reference frame

\( \alpha \) Longitudinal aerodynamic angle of attack

\( \beta \) Lateral aerodynamic angle of attack

\( \Lambda_j \) Components of aerodynamic jump due to lateral impulse

\( \Lambda_k \)

\( \Pi \) Phase angle of the aerodynamic jump due to lateral impulse

\( \phi \)

\( \theta \) Euler roll, pitch and yaw angles of the projectile

\( \psi \)

\( \phi_b \) Euler roll angle of the applied impulse
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