

ECE 4160/5160
MAE 4960/5960

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Fast Robots

Suggested seating (to find a lab partner...)

Tuesday lab
(seats 1-5)

Wednesday lab
(seats 6-10)

Thursday lab
(seats 10 -)

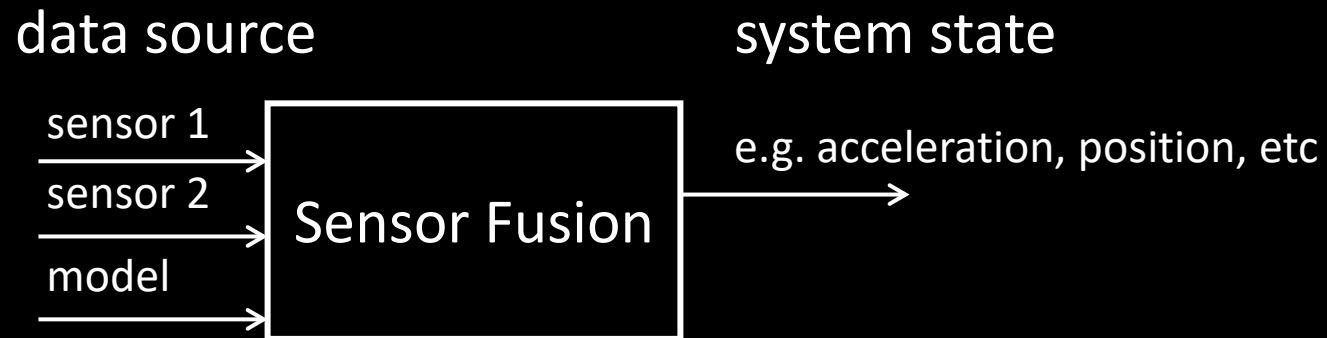
Bluetooth!

- Couple of confounding issues...
 - Windows 11 / Mac ARM processors don't work well
 - The USB Bluetooth adapters we gave you have issues with USB 3(!)
 - New lab computers
 - New Windows 10 API?
- Possible solutions...
 - Use the built-in Bluetooth on your laptop
 - Use the Bluetooth adapter with USB 2.0
 - We're getting new USB 3.0-compatible Bluetooth adapters for the lab machines
 - Try and try again(!)
- Feel free to drop by any of the lab hours
 - Tu-We-Th 2.40-5.10pm
 - Saturdays 2-6pm
 - ...check the lab schedule on cei-lab.github.io/FastRobots-2023/ -> Lab schedule

WHY SENSOR FUSION?

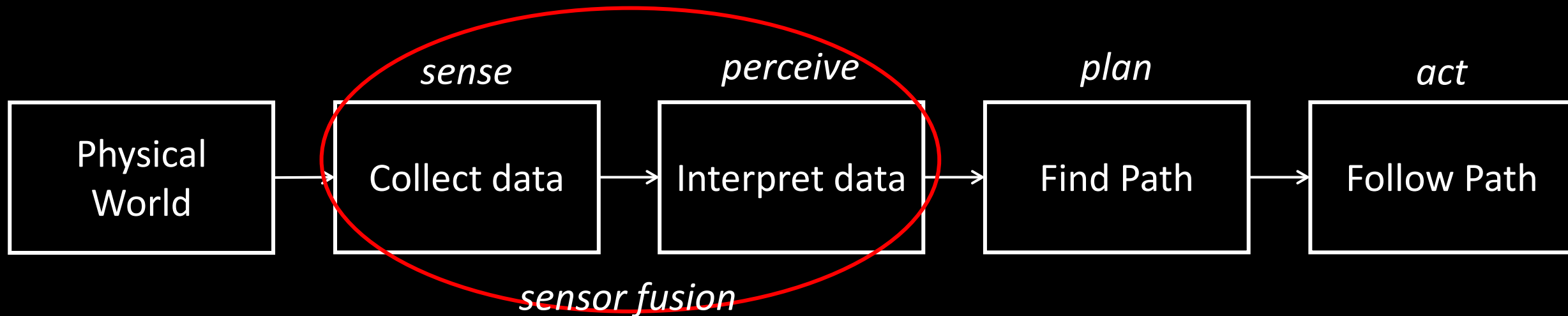
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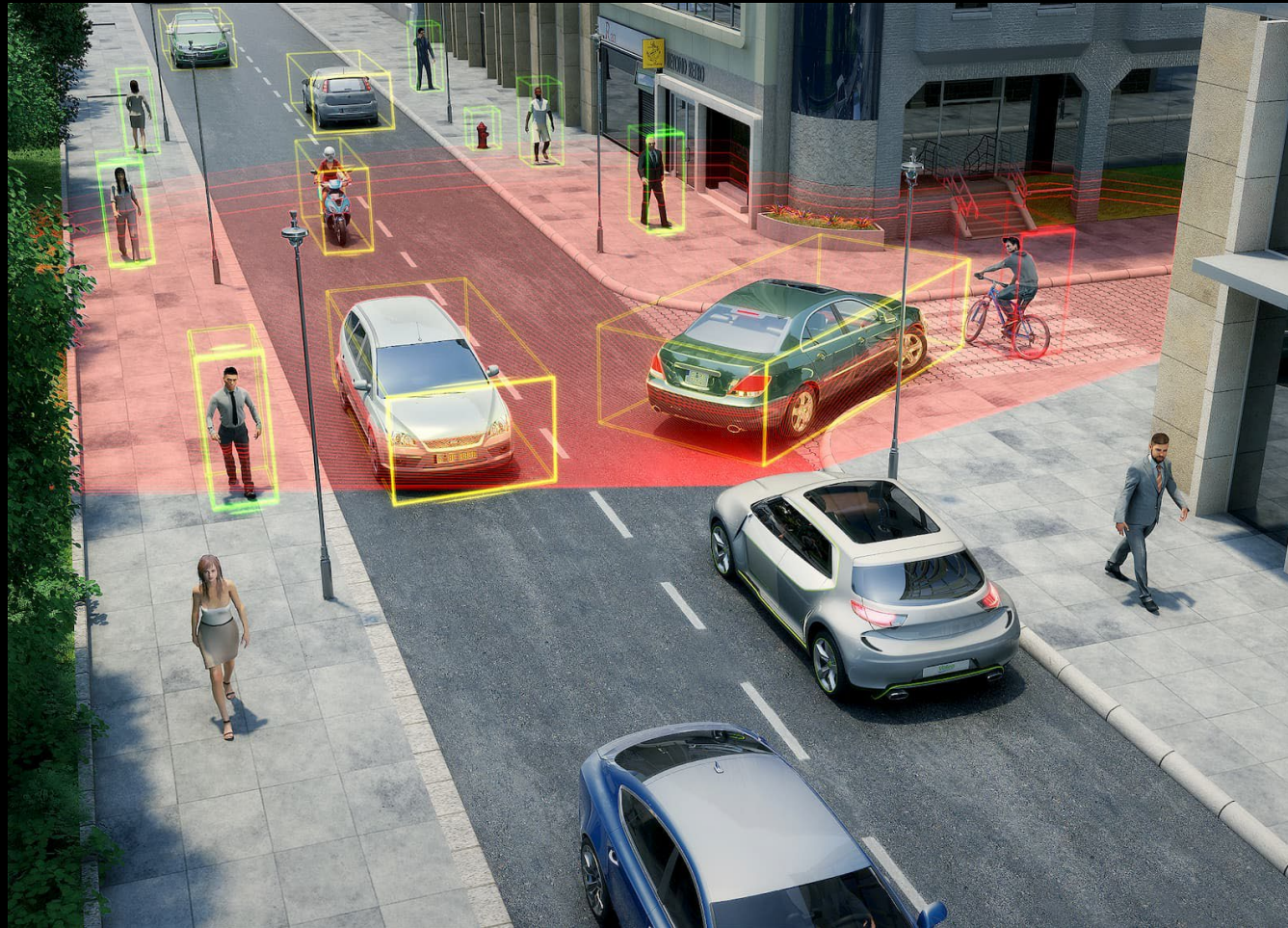


Responsibility:

- Self-awareness (where am I? what am I doing? what is my state?)
- Situational awareness (detection/tracking)

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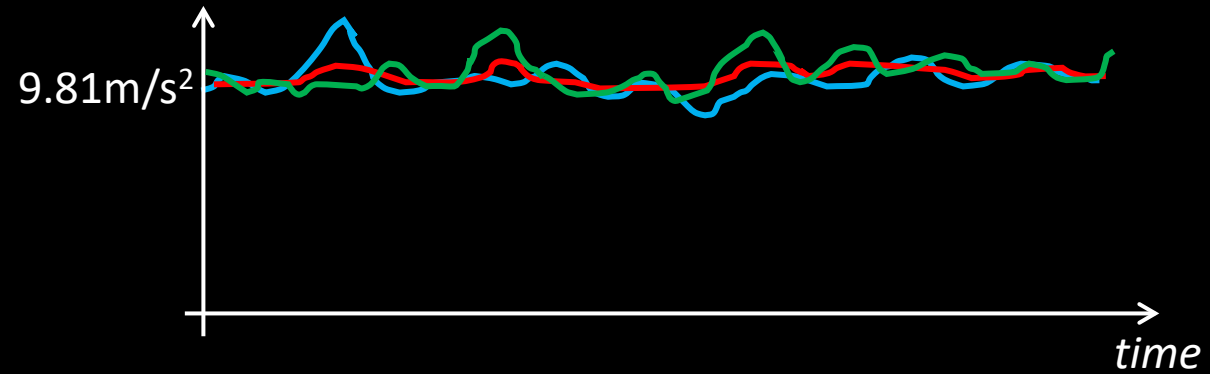
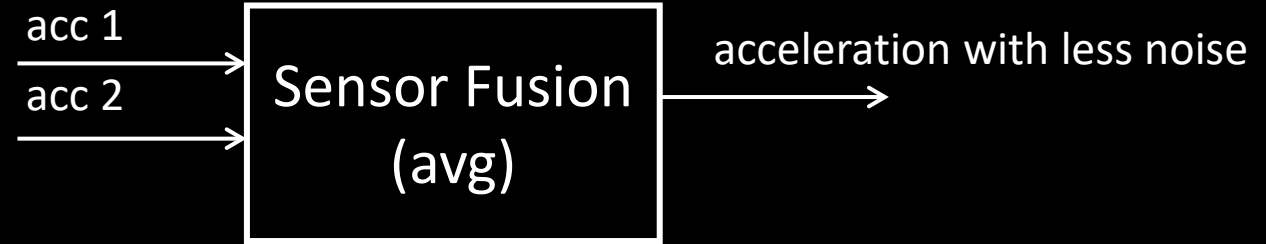
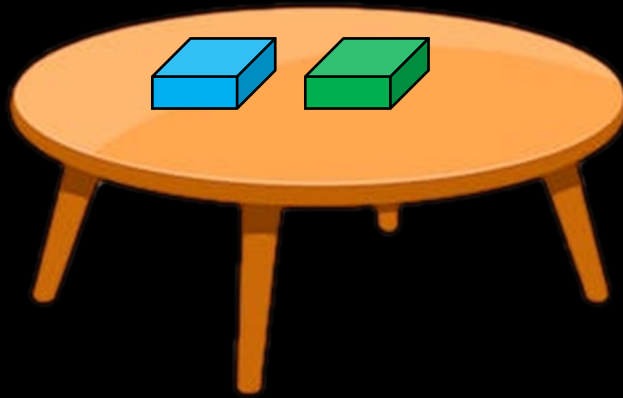
- Example of situational awareness:



Valeo's LIDAR

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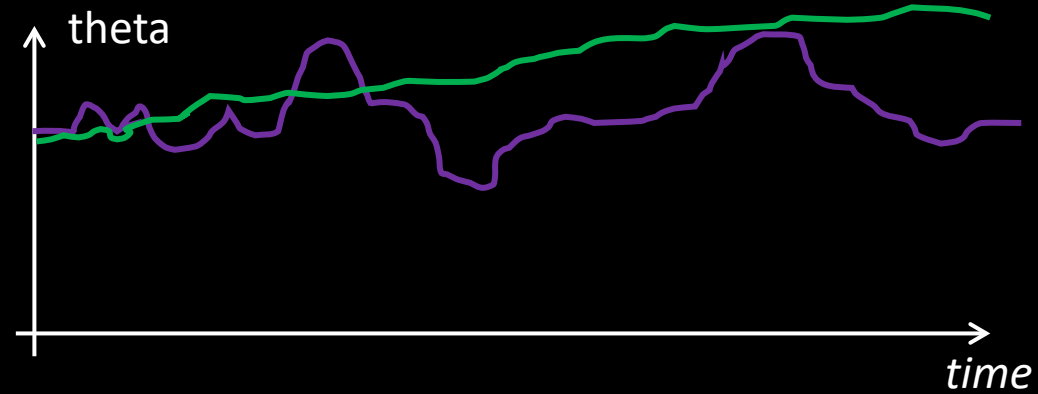
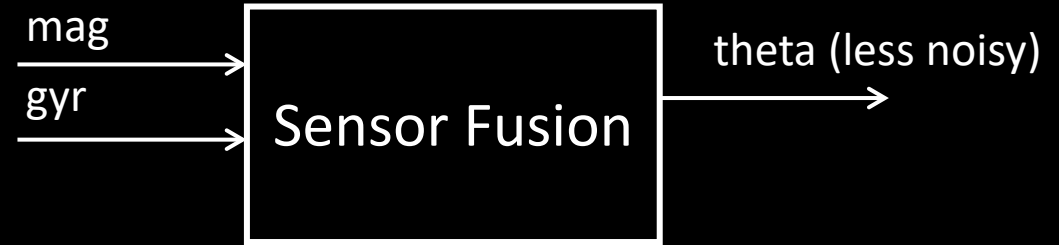
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 - Less noise, uncertainty, deviations



- Adding sensors lowers noise: $n = 1/(\sqrt{N})$
 - 4 identical sensors = $\frac{1}{2}$ noise
 - (Only if the noise is not correlated!)

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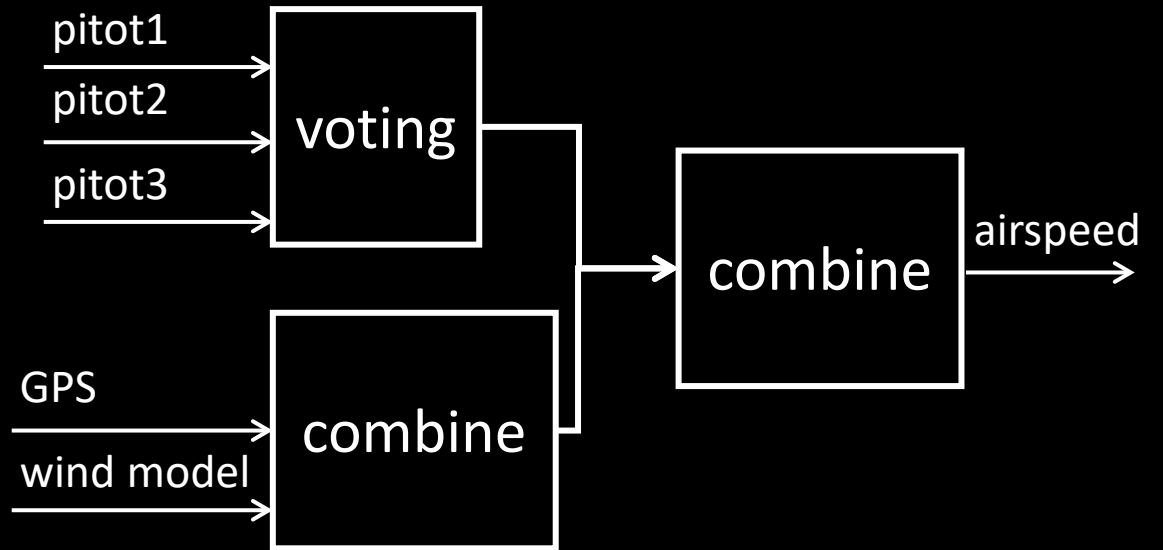
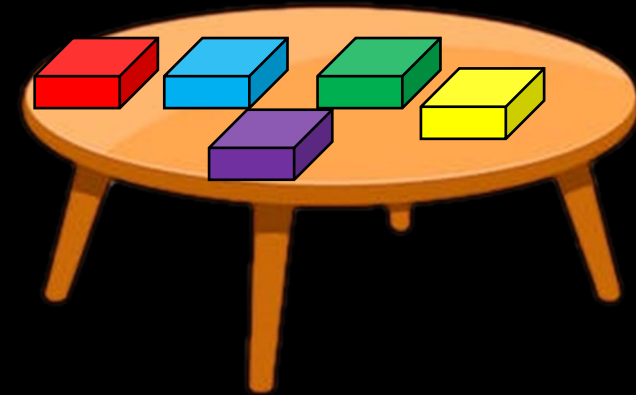
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- You can add a 2nd magnetometer to decrease noise
- But some of the noise is correlated
 - Magnetic fields
- Sol 1: Move the sensor away from the magnetic field
- Sol 2: Low pass filter (introduces lag)
- Sol 3: Fuse the mag data with gyr data

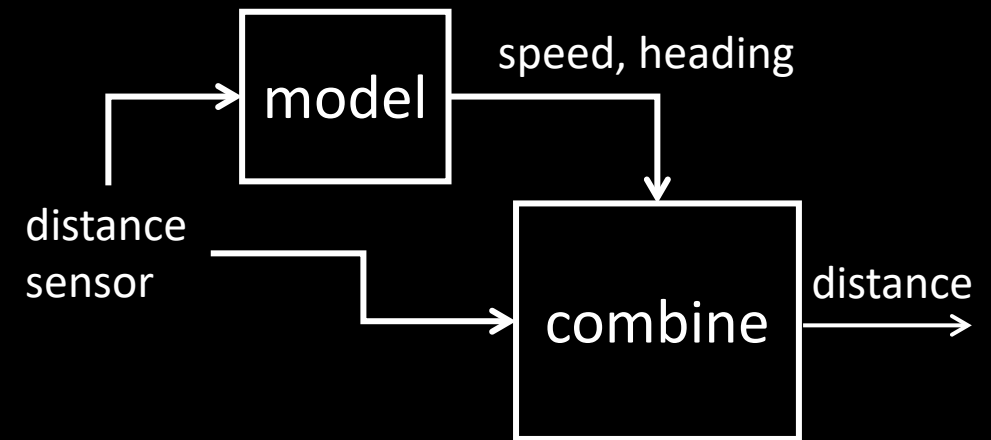
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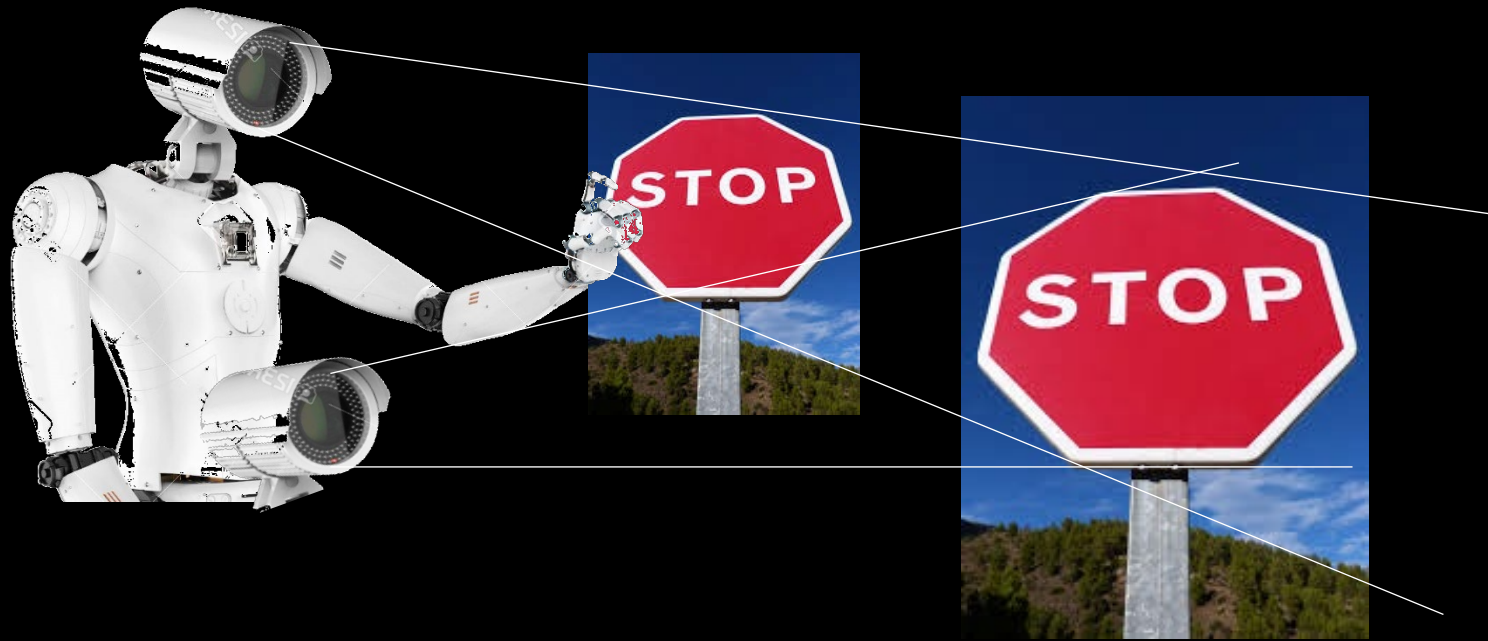
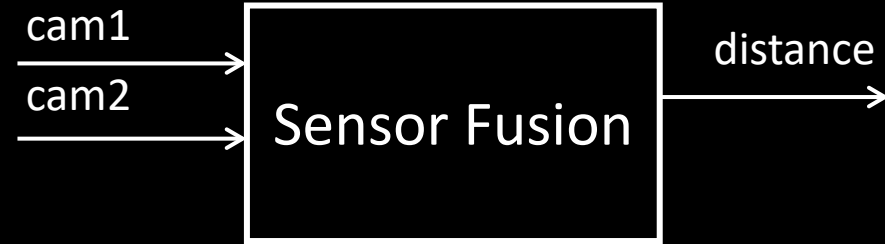
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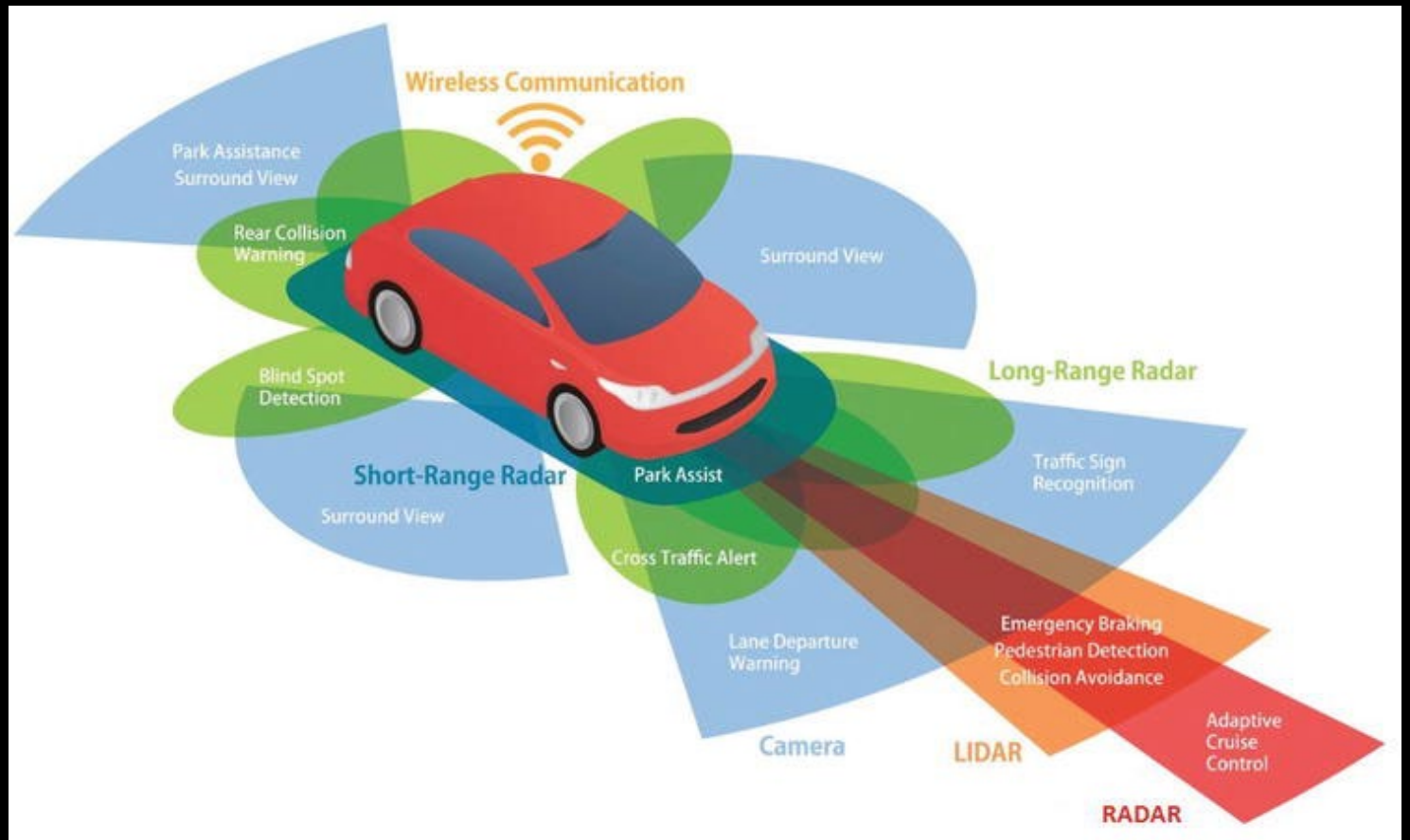
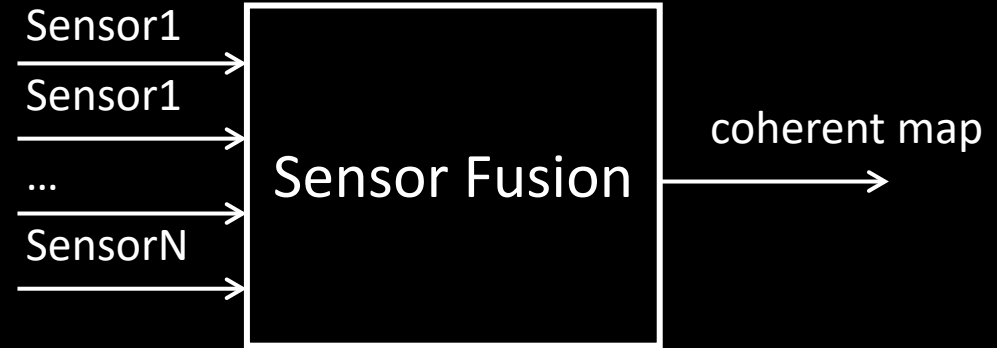
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3. You can measure unmeasured states
4. Increase the coverage area

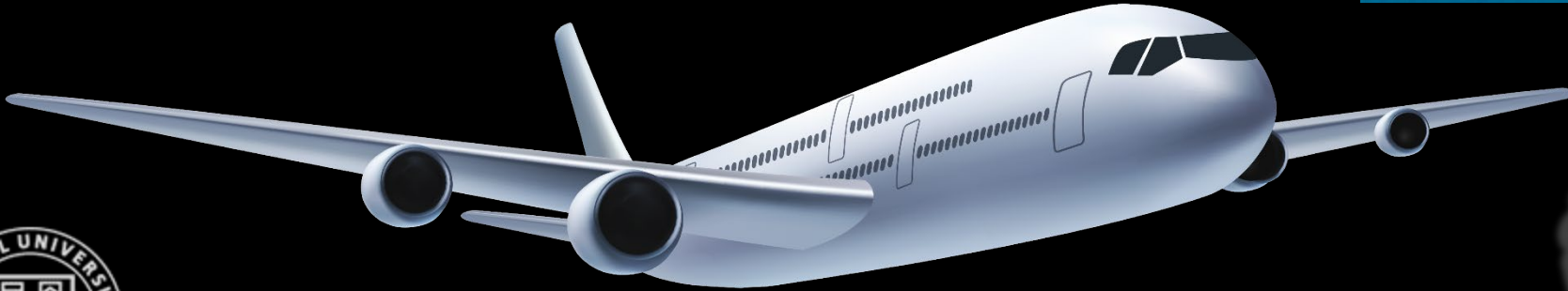
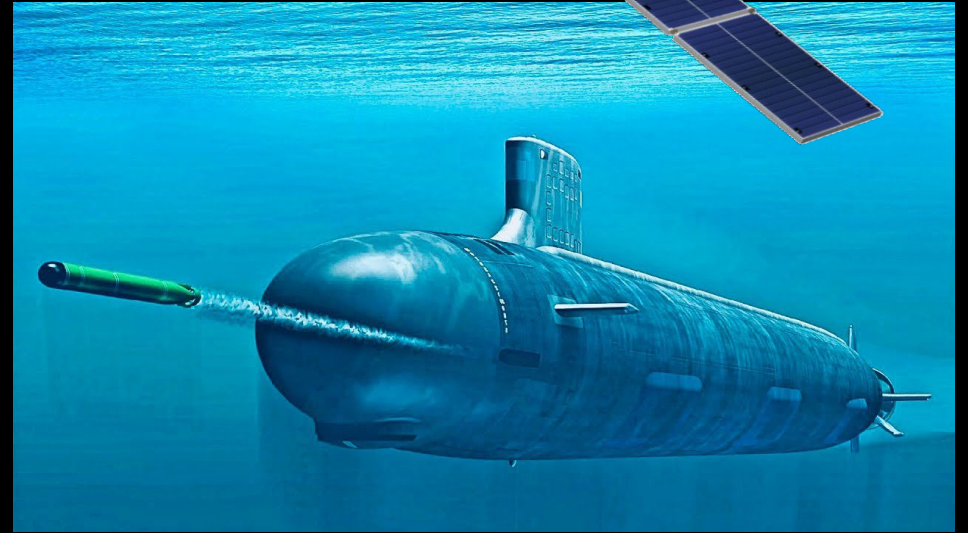


Sources and References

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- <https://hmc.edu/lair/ARW/ARW-Lecture01-Odometry.pdf>
- Matlab Tech Talks on Sensor Fusion (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6qV3YjFppuc>)

IMU

- Inertial Measurement Unit
 - Data related to orientation, velocity, and gravity



IMU

- Inertial Measurement Unit
- *Accelerometer*
 - Linear acceleration, $a = \dot{v}$ [m/s²] → Track orientation (position)
- *Gyroscope*
 - Angular velocity, $\omega = \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta t}$ [deg/sec] → Track orientation
- *Magnetometer*
 - Magnetic field strength, [uT] or [Gauss], (1 Gauss = 100uT) → Get absolute orientation
- *NB: Gravity, magnetic fields, accelerations affect these sensors in many ways!*

Dead reckoning

ICM-20948

Lowest power 9-axis IMU

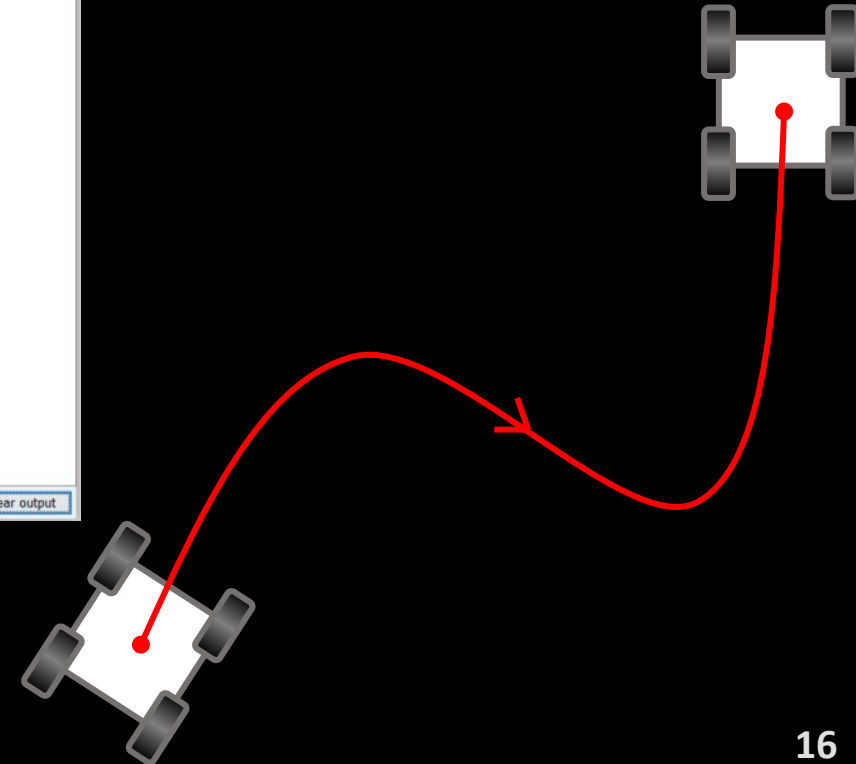
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IMU - Demo

- Install Sparkfun 9DOF IMU - ICM 20948 library
- ..\SparkFun_ICM-20948_ArduinoLibrary-master\examples\Arduino\Example1_Basics

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COM4
Initialization of the sensor returned: All is well.
Waiting for data
Scaled. Acc (mg) [ -00093.75, 00001.46, 01019.53 ], Gyr (DPS) [ -00000.96, 00001.80, -00002.67 ], Mag (uT) [ 00001.05, -00049.95, 00049.50 ], Tmp (C) [ 00024.35 ]
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ACCELEROMETER

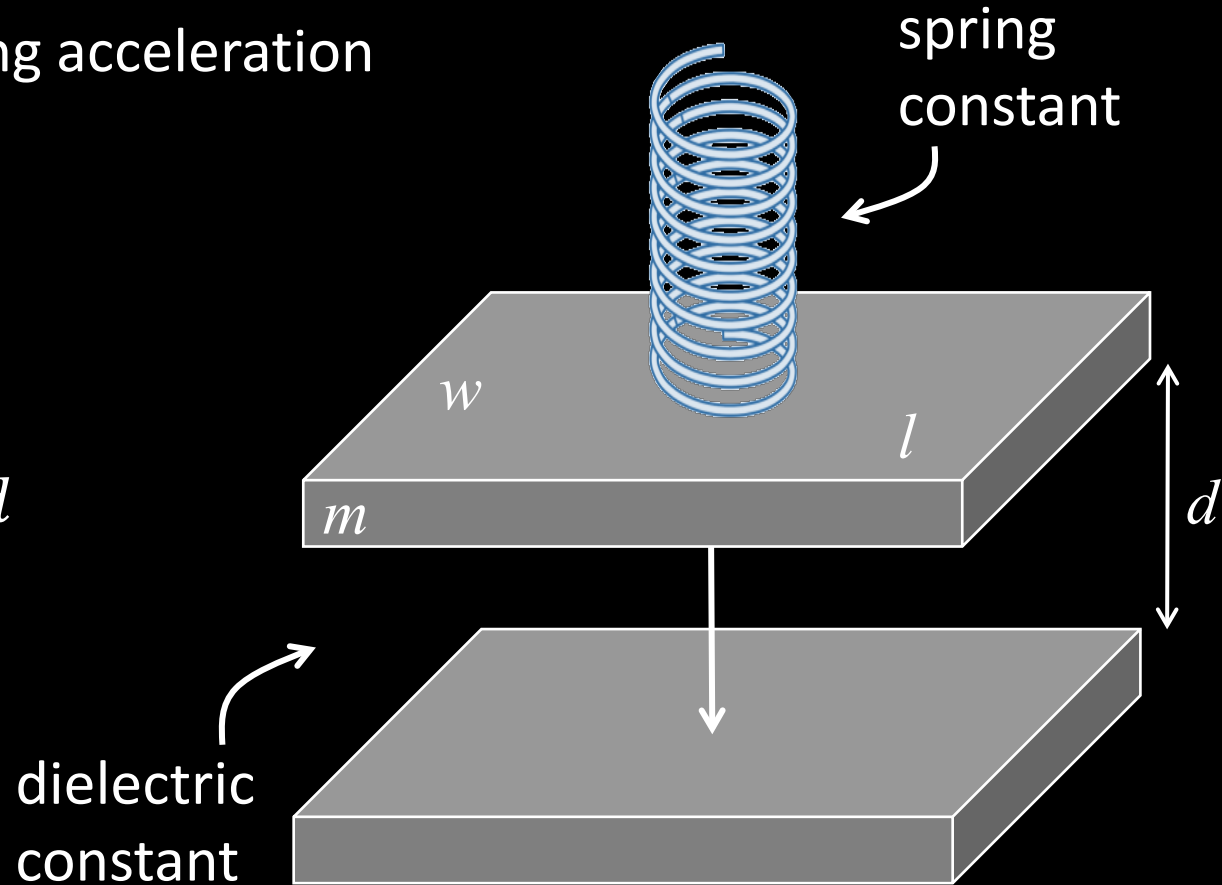
Accelerometer

- Measuring acceleration

$$C = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$$

$$F = k\Delta d$$

$$F = ma$$



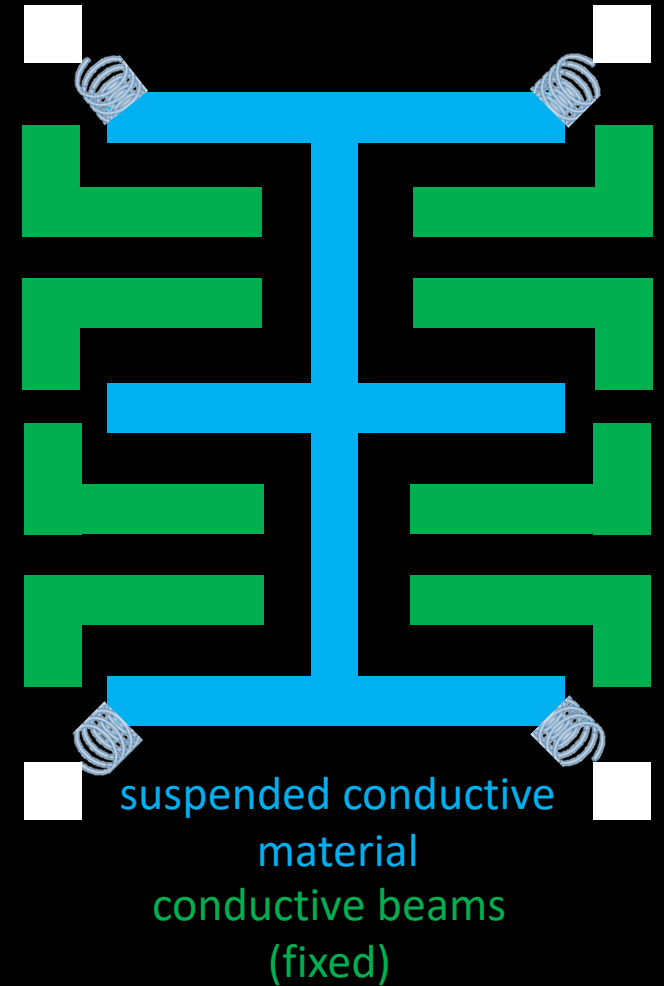
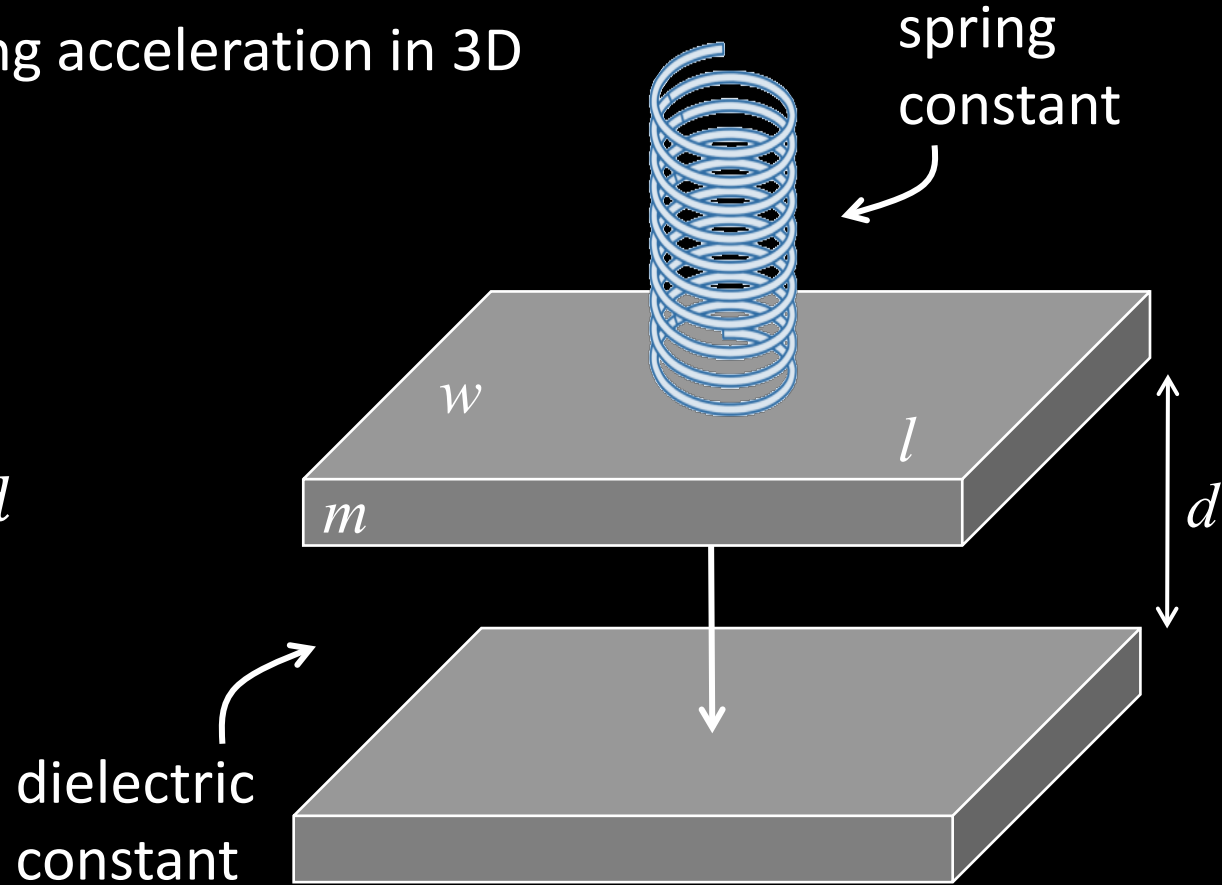
Accelerometer

- Measuring acceleration in 3D

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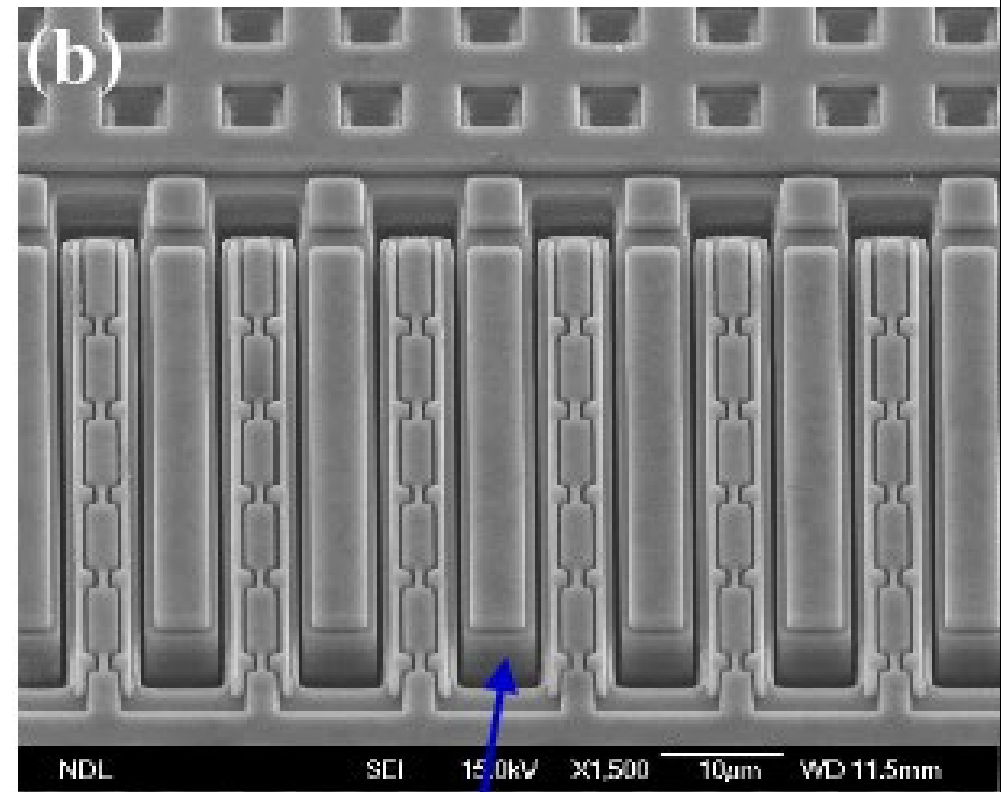
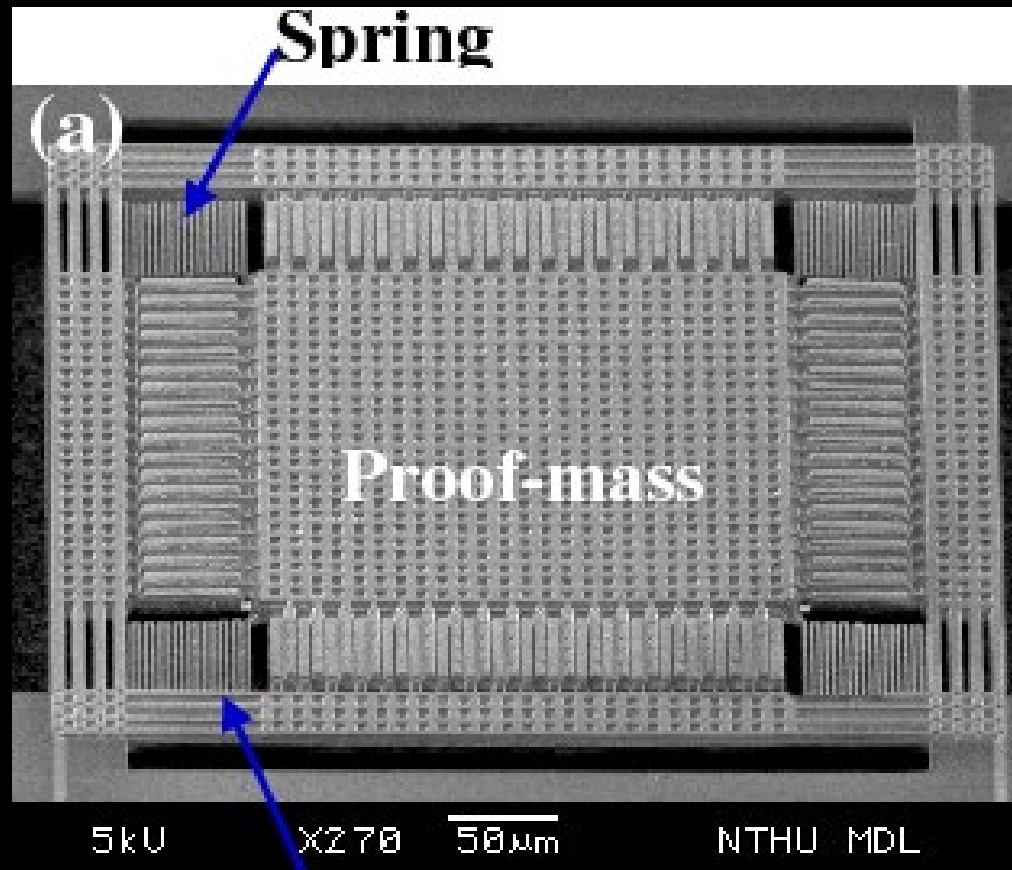
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Accelerometer

- Measuring acceleration in 3D
- Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems



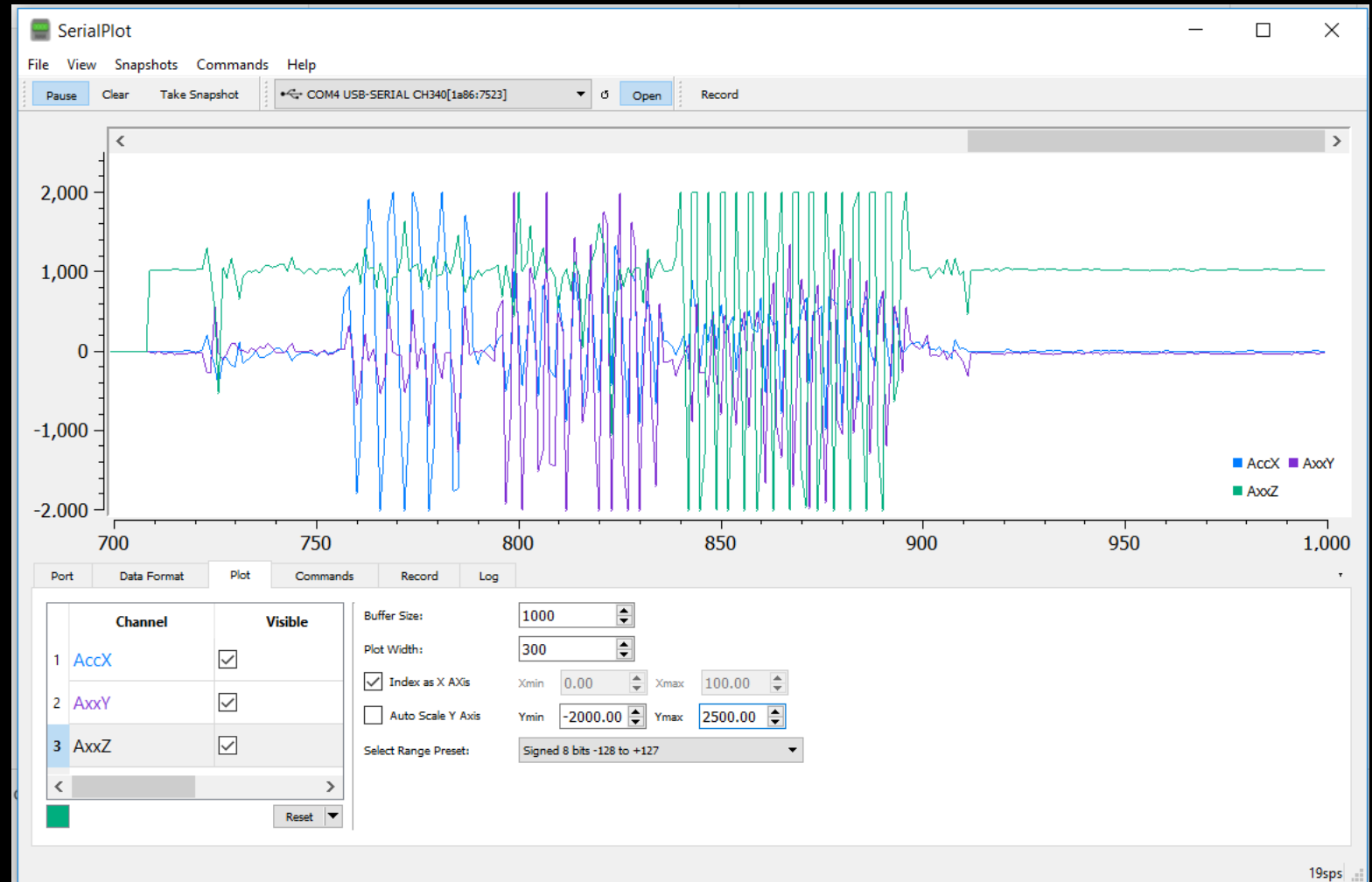
Fang, 2011

Supporting frame

Sensing electrodes

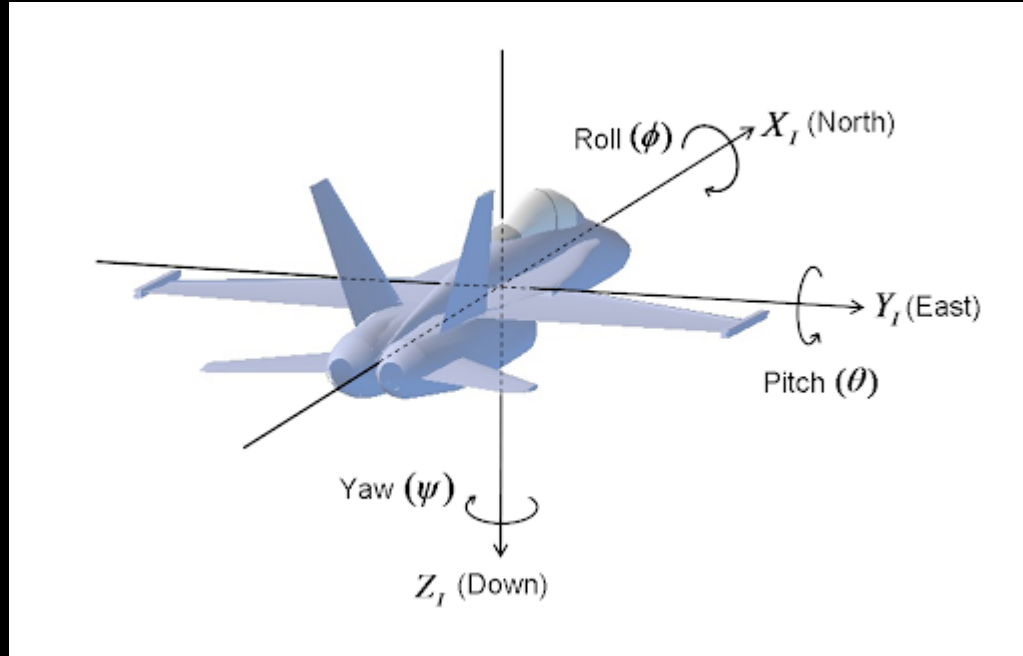
Accelerometer

- Measuring acceleration in 3D
- Use Arduino Serial Monitor or a program like SerialPlot to visualize your data

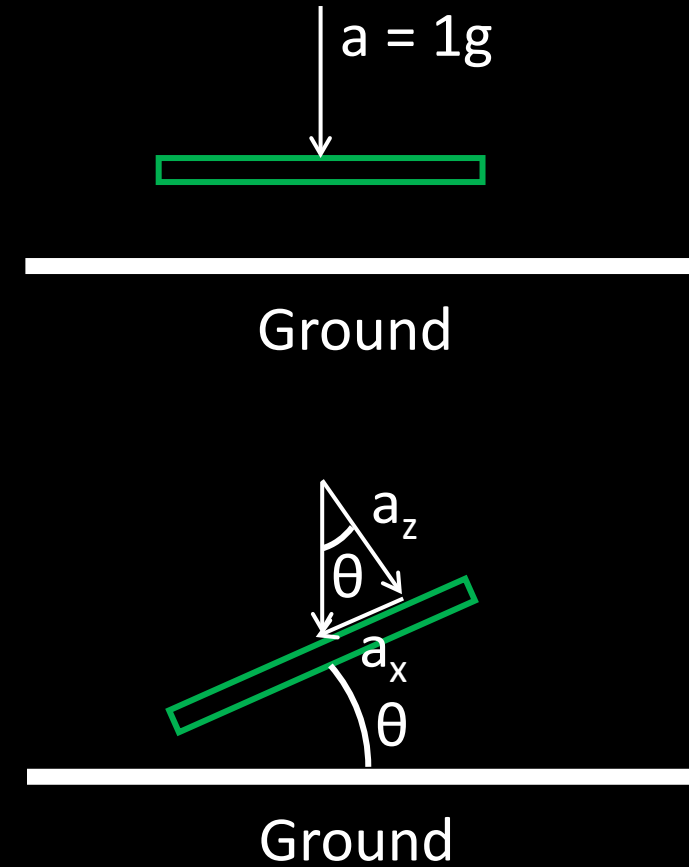


Accelerometer

- How to use the accelerometer to determine roll, tilt, and yaw?

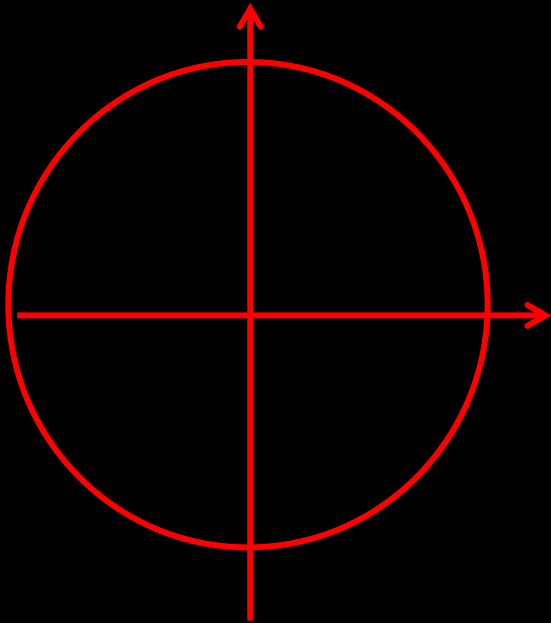


- $a_x = 1g \sin \theta$
- $a_z = 1g \cos \theta$
- *Use atan2!*



Atan vs Atan2

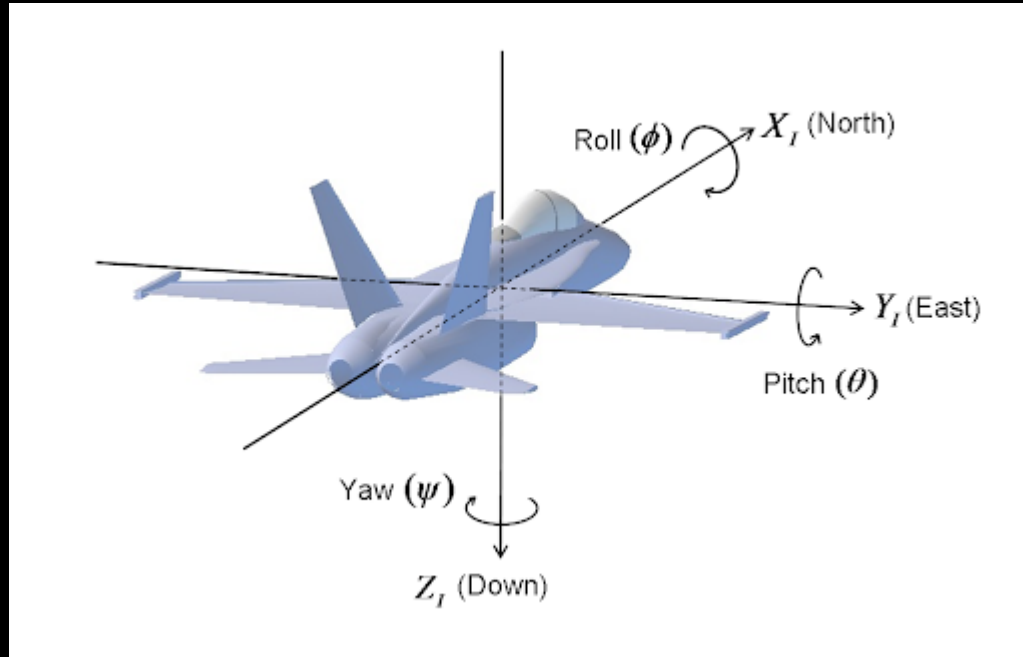
- $\text{acos}(a_x)$ returns $[0, \pi]$
- $\text{atan}(a_x, a_z)$ returns $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$
- Instead use $\text{atan2}(a_x, a_z)$ which returns $[-\pi, \pi]$



```
float atan2(float x, float y) {
    if (x > 0.0)
        return atan(y/x);
    if (x < 0.0) {
        if (y >= 0.0)
            return (PI + atan(y/x));
        else
            return (-PI + atan(y/x));
    }
    if (y > 0.0) // x == 0
        return PI_ON_TWO;
    if (y < 0.0)
        return -PI_ON_TWO;
    return 0.0; // Should be undefined
}
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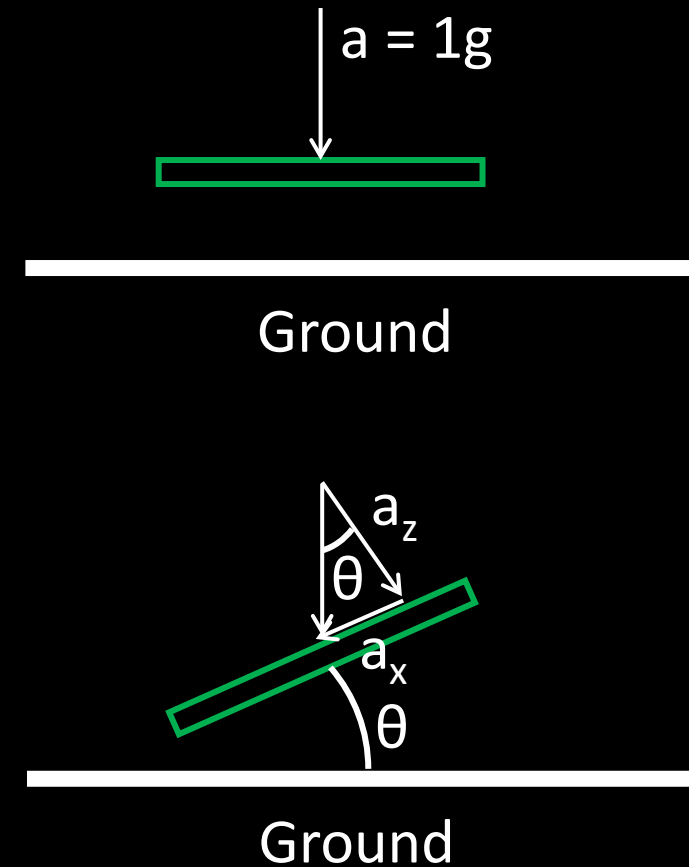
Accelerometer

- How to use the accelerometer to determine roll, tilt, and ~~yaw?~~



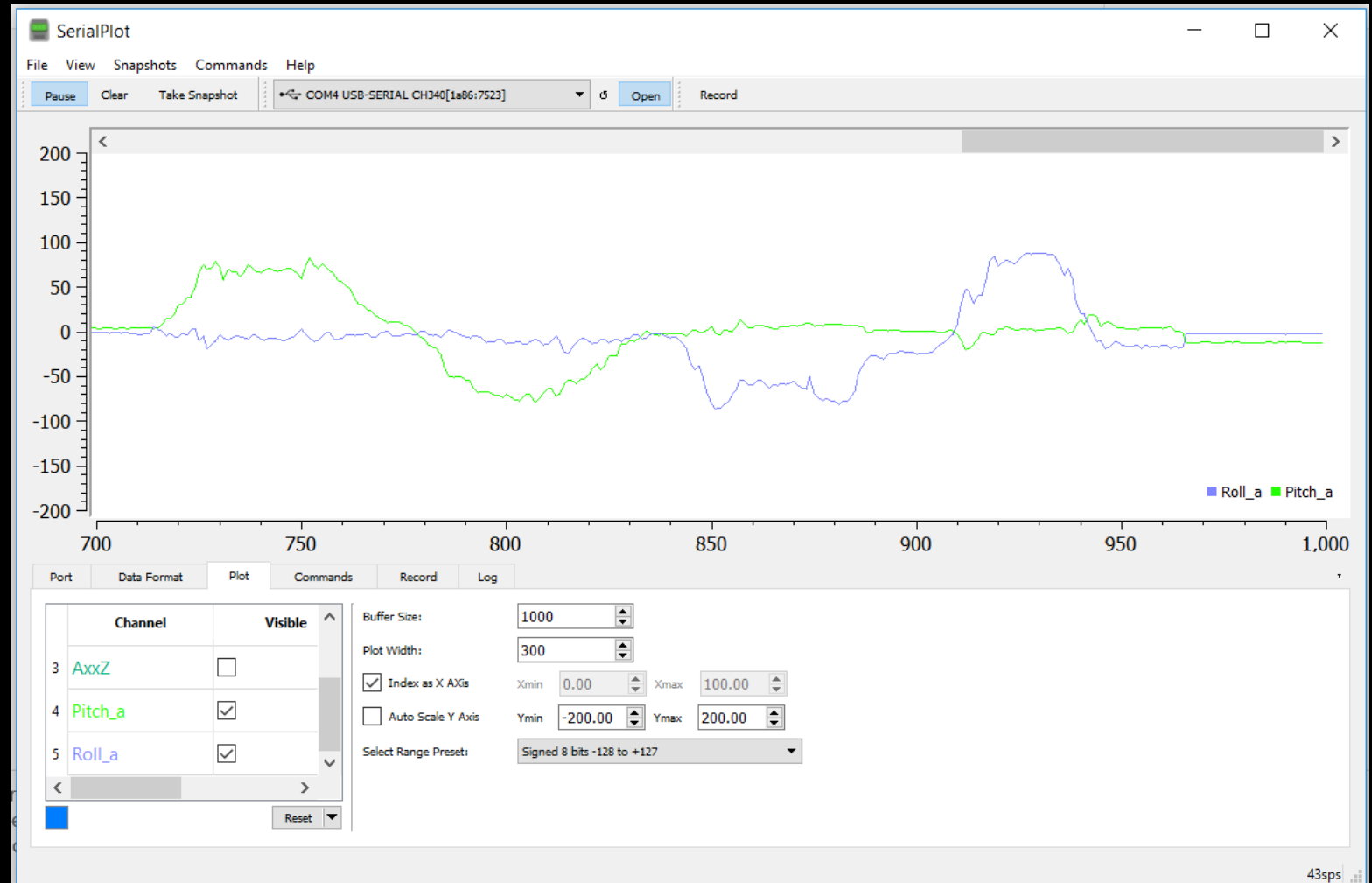
- $a_x = 1g \sin \theta$
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 - $\theta = \text{atan2}(a_x, a_z)$
 - $\phi = \text{atan2}(a_y, a_z)$

How do you measure yaw with the accelerometer?



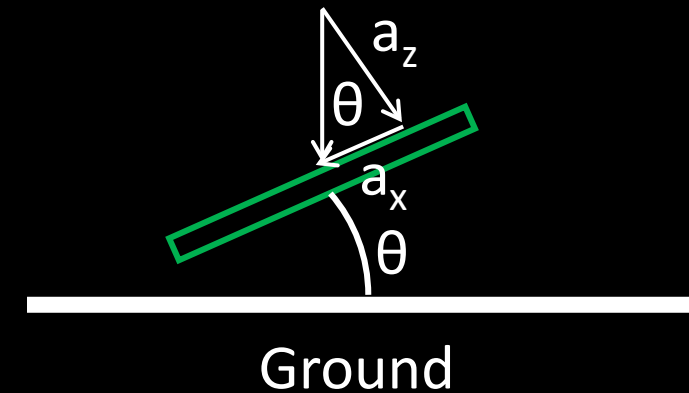
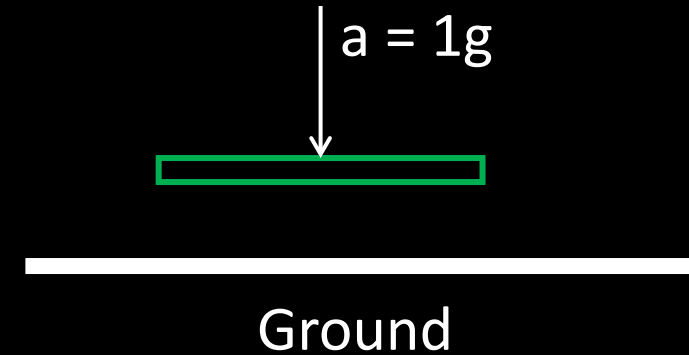
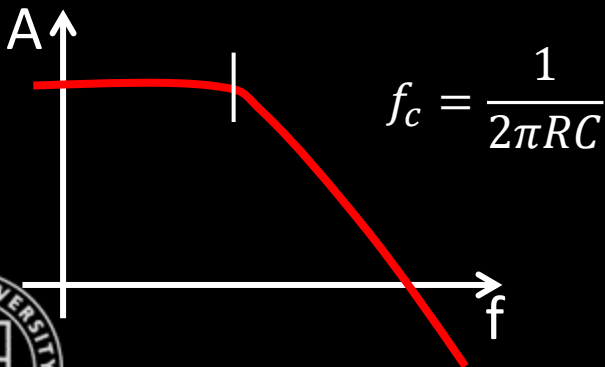
Accelerometer

- Determining tilt and roll
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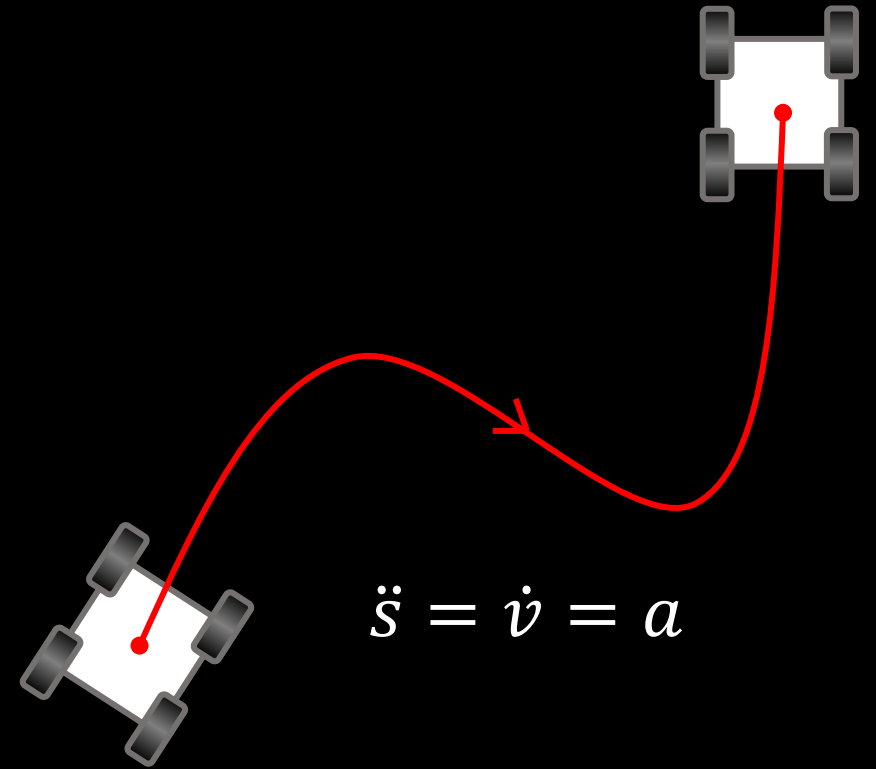
- Determining tilt and roll
- Good (very accurate on average) vs Bad (noisy)
- Low pass complimentary filter
 - $\theta_{LPF}[n] = \alpha * \theta_{RAW} + (1 - \alpha) * \theta_{LPF}[n-1]$
 - $\theta_{LPF}[n-1] = \theta_{LPF}[n]$
 - Think of it as an RC low-pass filter:
 - $\alpha = \frac{T}{T+RC}$



Accelerometer

- Determining tilt and roll ✓
- How to use the accelerometer to do dead reckoning?
 - $v = \int a$
 - $s = \int \int a$
 - $v[k+1] = v[k] + a[k] * dt$
 - $s[k+1] = s[k] + v[k] * dt$

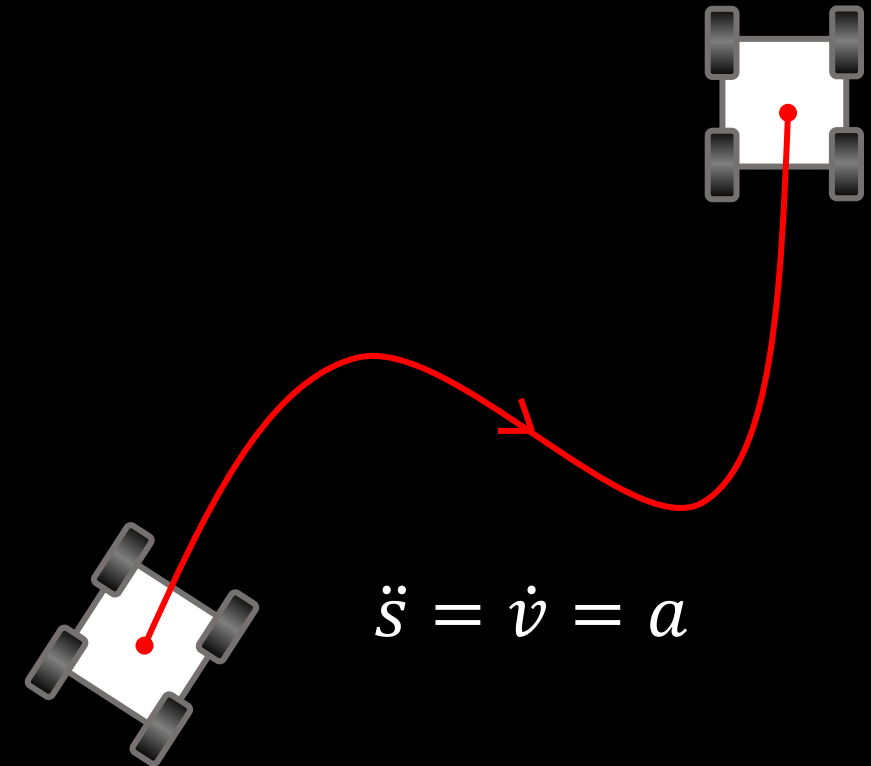
**If you try this at home, remember unit conversion:
The accelerometer output is in mg (1g = 9.807m/s²)*



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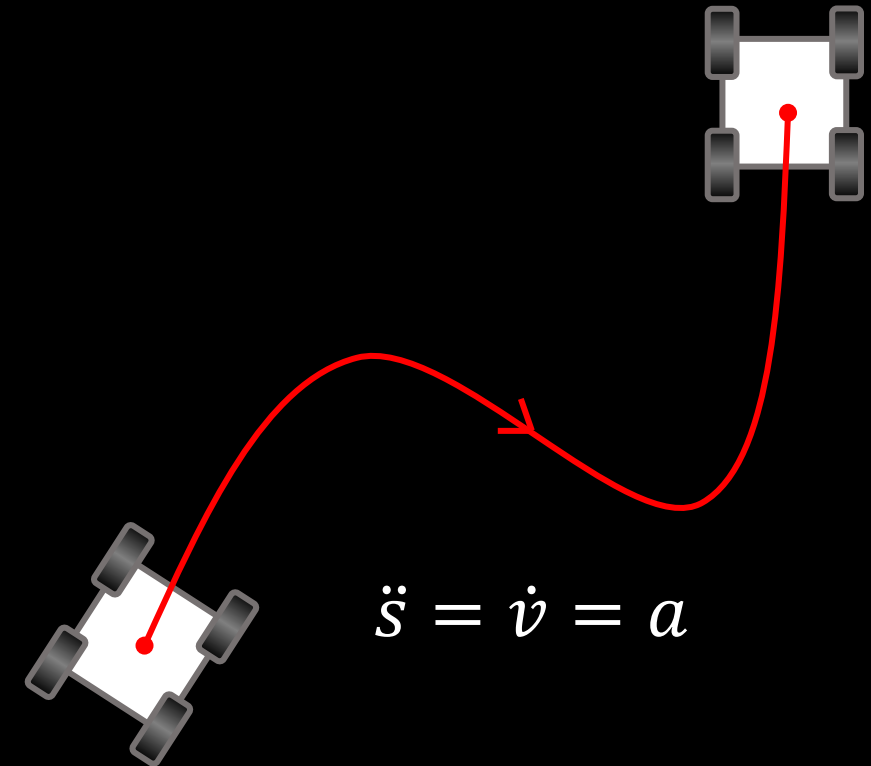
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Accelerometer

- Determining tilt and roll ✓
- How to use the accelerometer to do dead reckoning?
 - *Issue:* Distinguishing acceleration of the sensor from gravitational acceleration
 - *Solution 1:* Calibrate the offset

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COM4
Initialization of the sensor returned: All is well.
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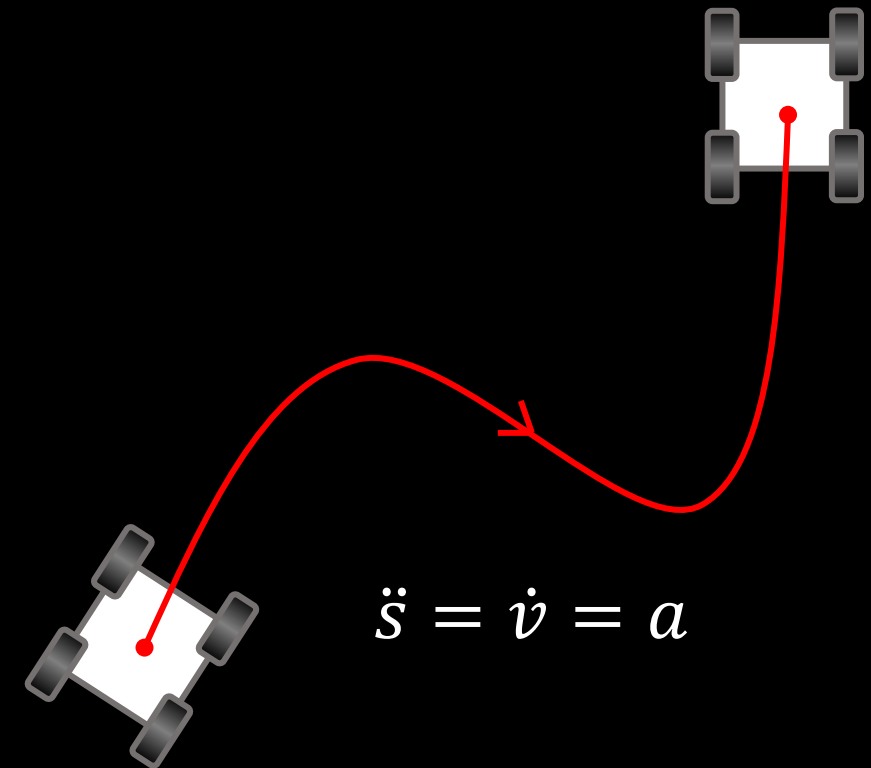
Accelerometer

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 - *Solution 1:* Calibrate the offset
 - *Solution 2:* Low pass filter the output
 - *Solution 3:* Minimum signal cut-off

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COM4
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Autoscroll Show timestamp Newline 115200 baud Clear output

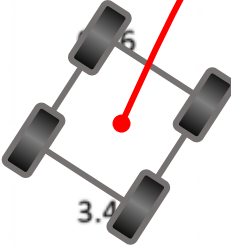
← ~10cm displacement



Accelerometer

- Determining tilt and roll ✓
- How to use the accelerometer to do dead reckoning?
 - *Issue:* Distinguishing acceleration of the sensor from gravitational acceleration
 - *Solution 1:* Calibrate the offset
 - *Solution 2:* Low pass filter the output
 - *Solution 3:* Minimum signal cut-off

Errors only accumulate, and they do so very fast!

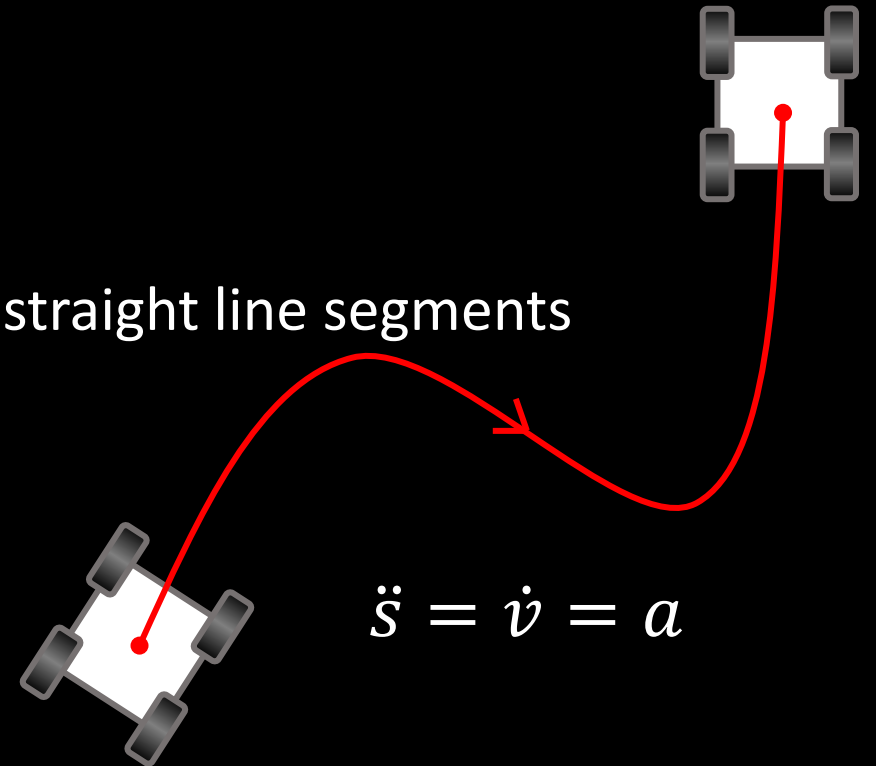


Angle Error (degrees)	Acceleration Error (m/s/s)	Velocity Error (m/s) at 10 seconds	Position Error (m) at 10 seconds	Position Error (m) at 1 minute	Position Error (m) at 10 minutes	Position Error (m) at 1 hour
0.1	0.017	0.17	1.7	61.2	6120	220 e 3
0.5	0.086	0.86	8.6	309.6	30960	1.1 e 6
1.0	0.17	1.7	17	619.2	61920	2.2 e 6
1.5	0.256	2.56	25.6	928.8	92880	3.3 e 6
2.0	0.342	3.42	34.2	1238.4	123840	4.4 e 6
3.0	0.513	5.13	51.3	1857.6	185760	6.6 e 6
5.0	0.854	8.54	85.4	3074.4	307440	11 e 6

Table 1 - A summary of velocity and position errors caused by attitude estimation error.

Accelerometer

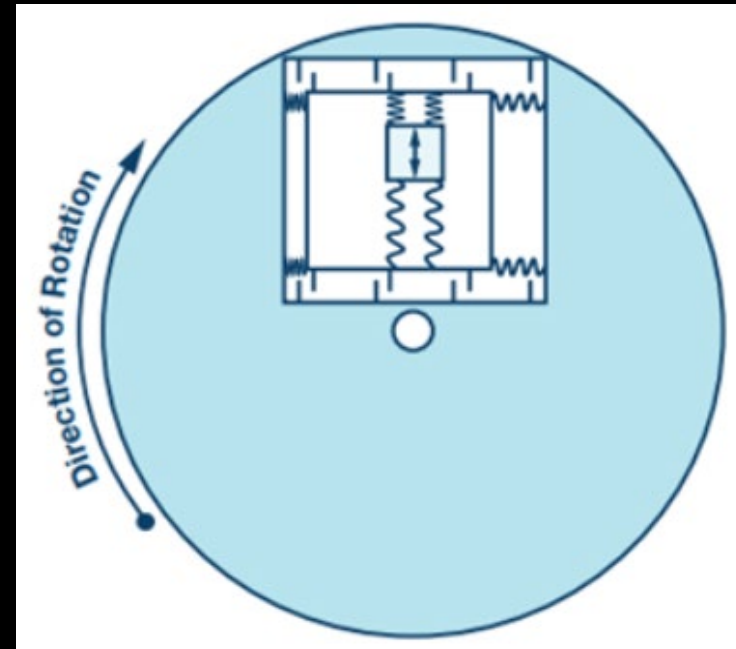
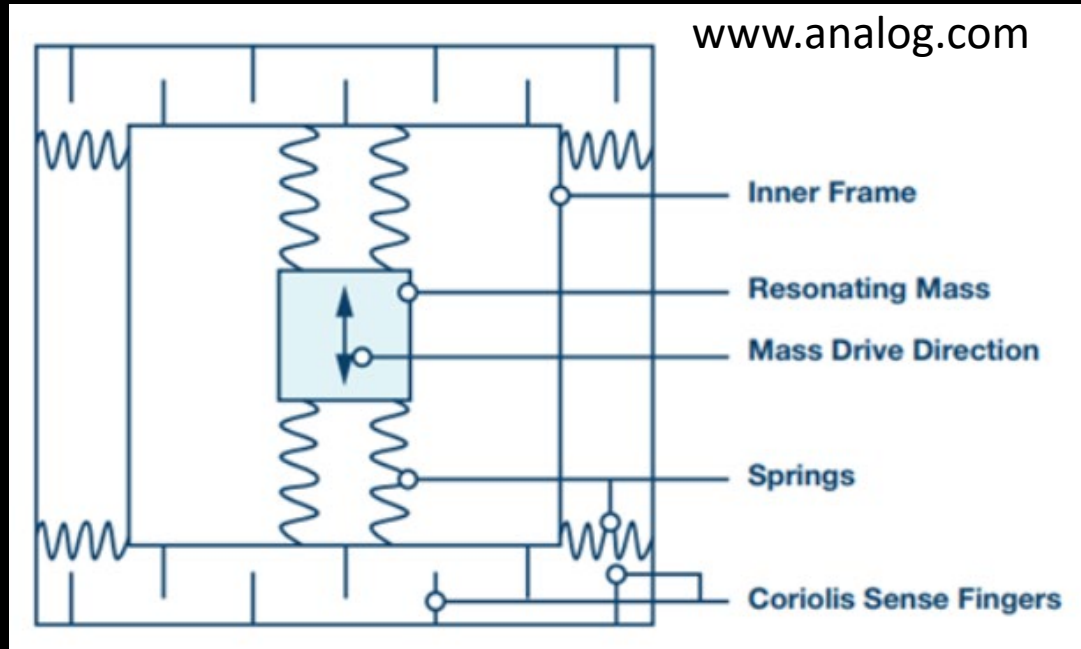
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 - *Solution 4:* Stop periodically and zero the velocity
 - *Solution 5:* Use in combination with TOF sensor on straight line segments
 - *Solution 6:* Buy a more expensive IMU
 - etc...



GYROSCOPE

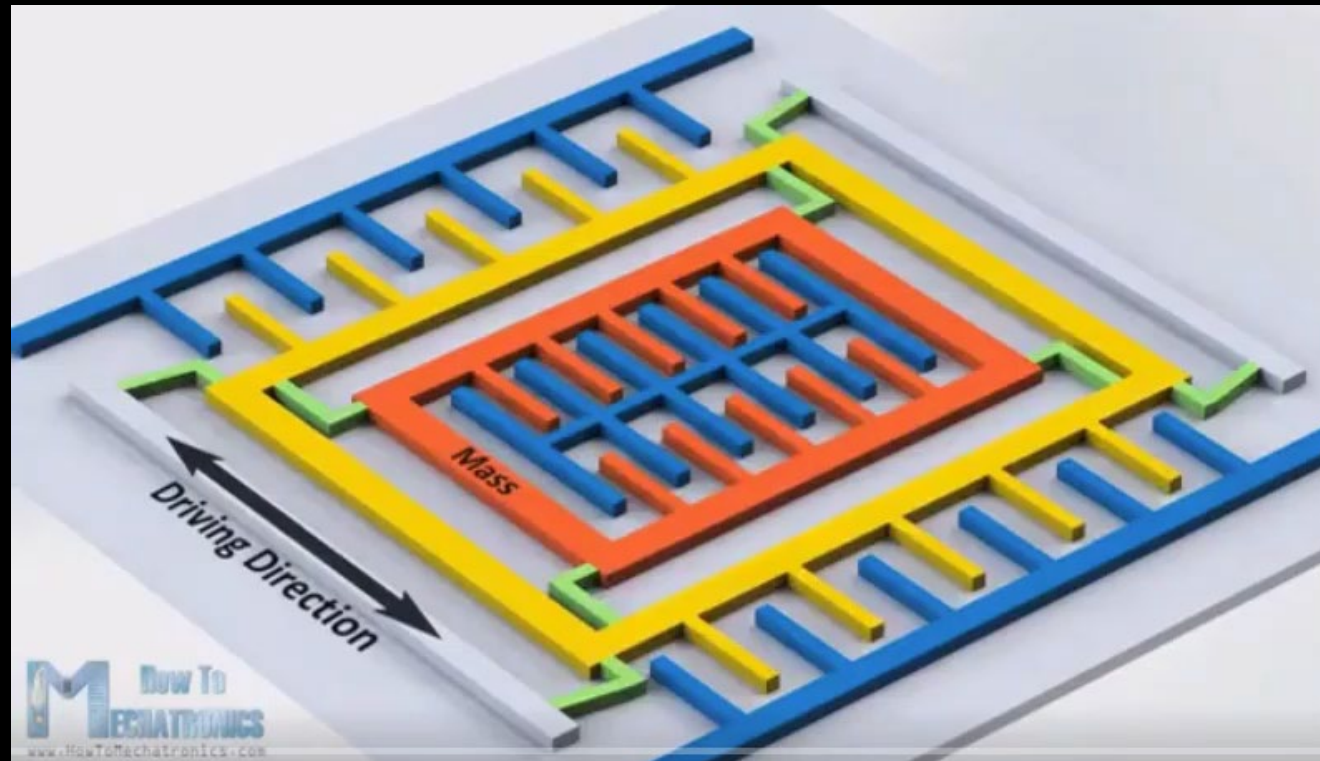
Gyroscopes

- Measures the rate of angular change [deg/s]



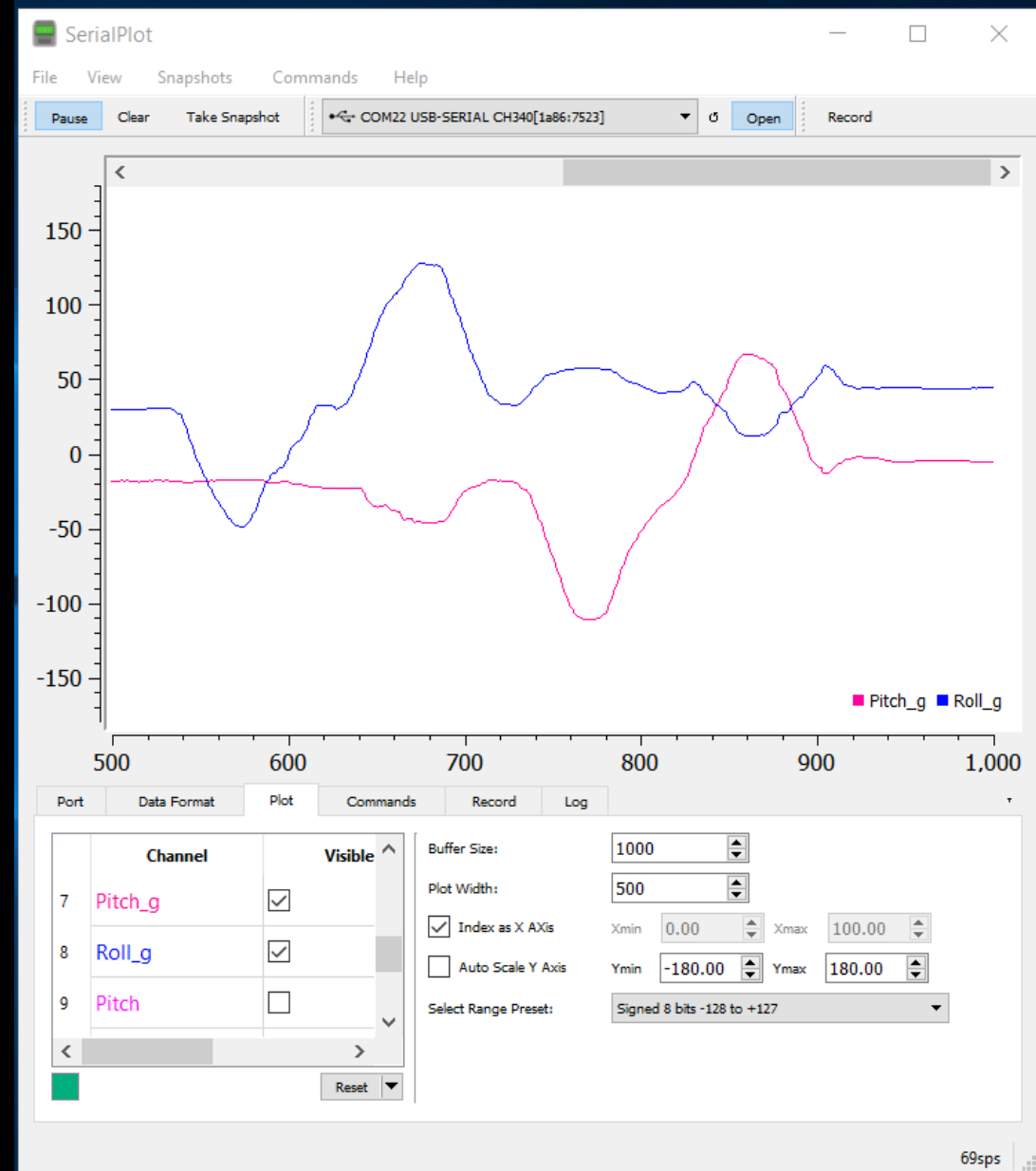
Gyroscopes

- Measures the rate of angular change [deg/s]



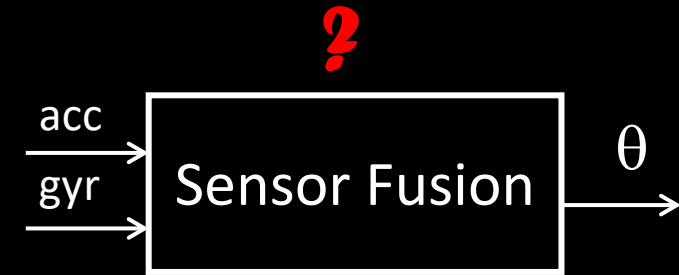
Gyroscopes

- Measures the rate of angular change [deg/s]
- How to use the gyroscope to measure angles?
 - $\theta_g = \theta_g + \text{gyr_reading} * dt$
- *Drift, but low noise*



Gyroscopes

- Measures the rate of angular change [deg/s]
- How to use the gyroscope to measure angles?
 - $\theta_g = \theta_g - \text{gyr_reading} * dt$
- *Drift, but low noise*
 - Complimentary to the accelerometer!
- Complimentary filter:
 - $\theta = (\theta + \theta_g * dt) (1 - \alpha) + \theta_a \alpha$

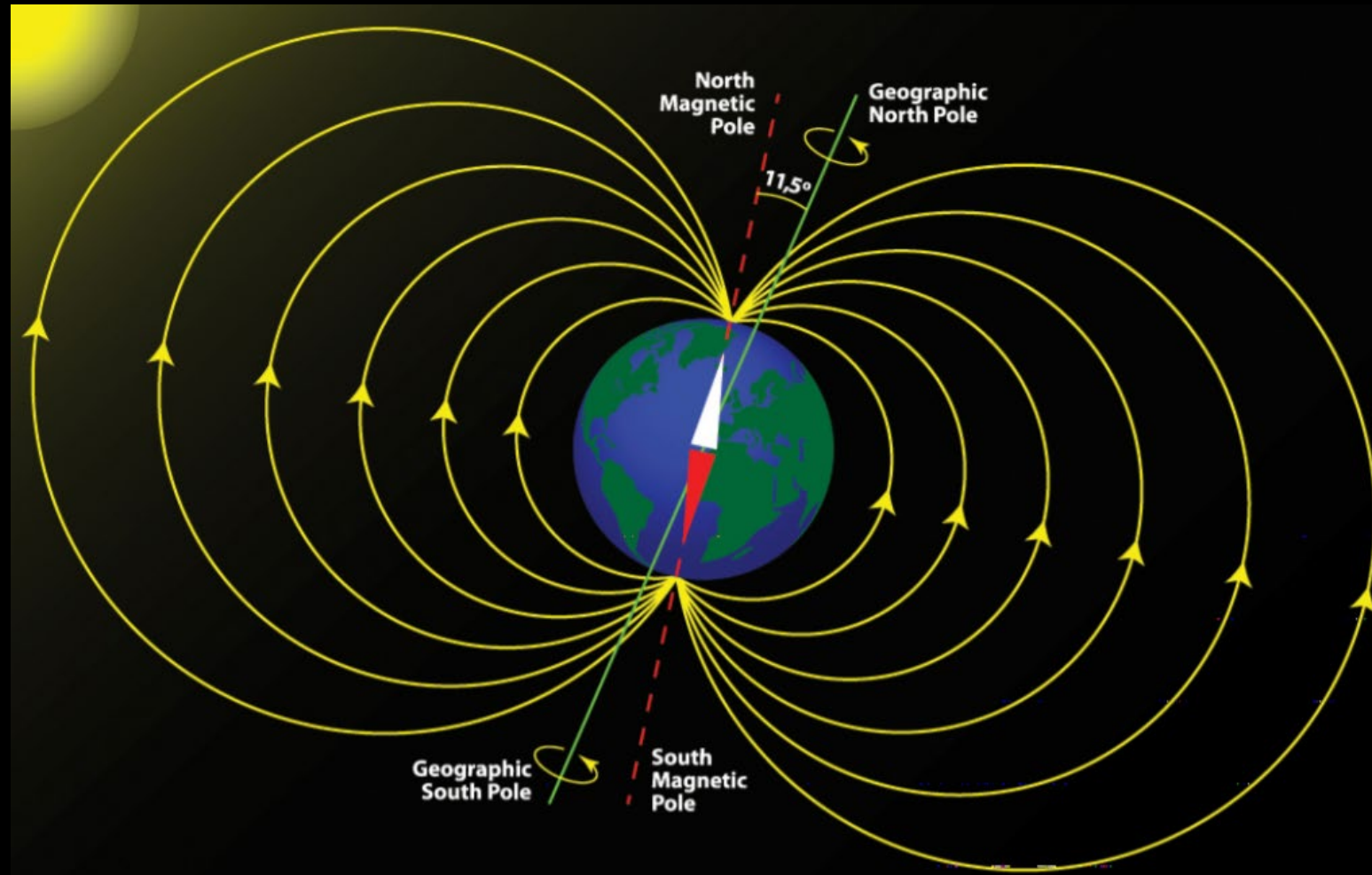


Can we also estimate yaw?

- Yes! (but there is no complementary data from the accelerometer)

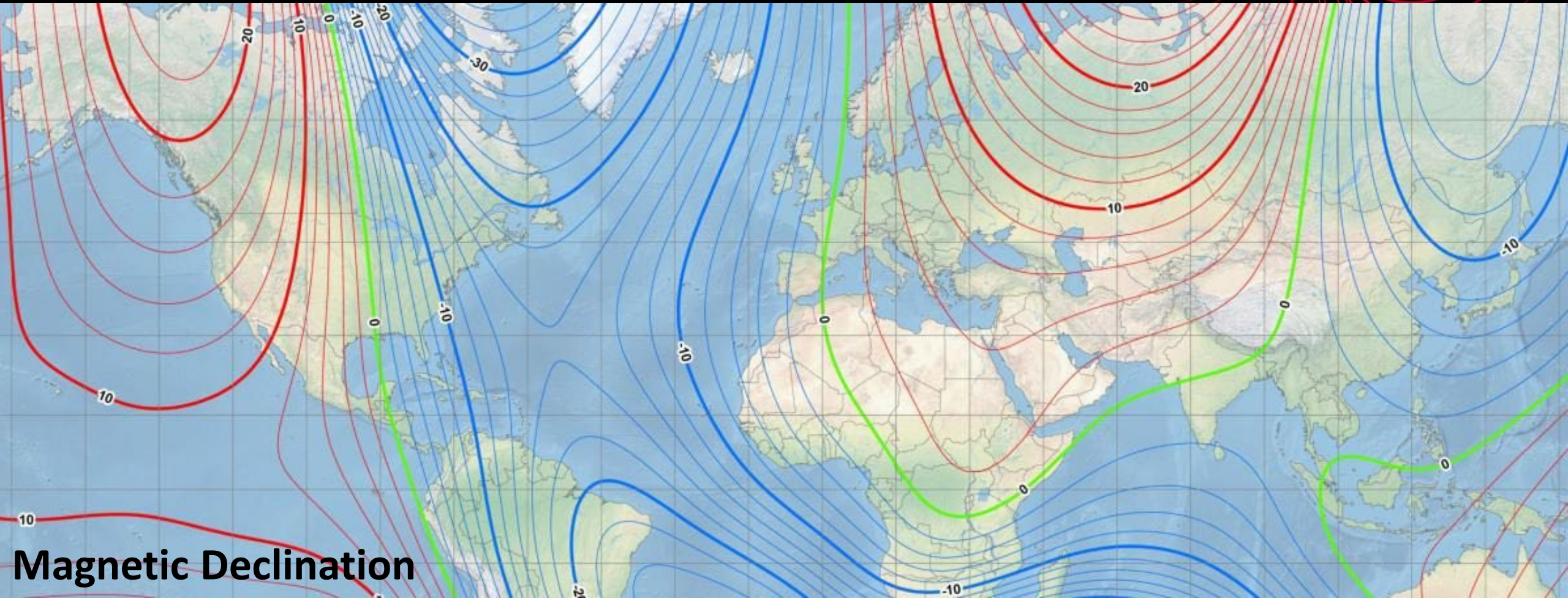
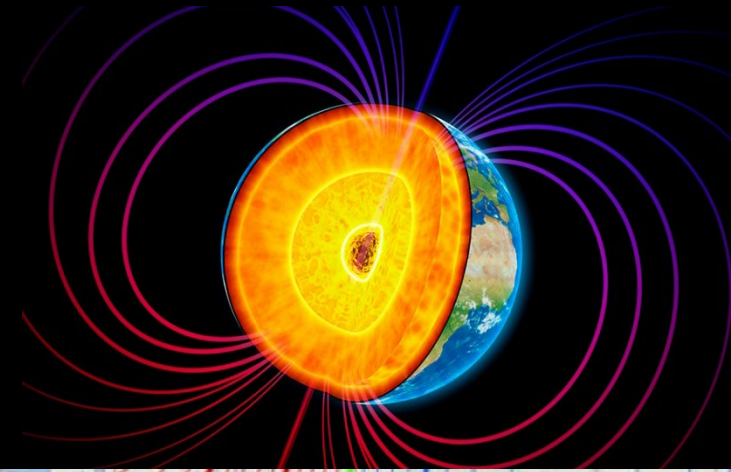
Magnetometer

- Measure the Earth's magnetic field [Gauss] or [uT]
- The actual direction depends on latitude, longitude, and time



Magnetometer

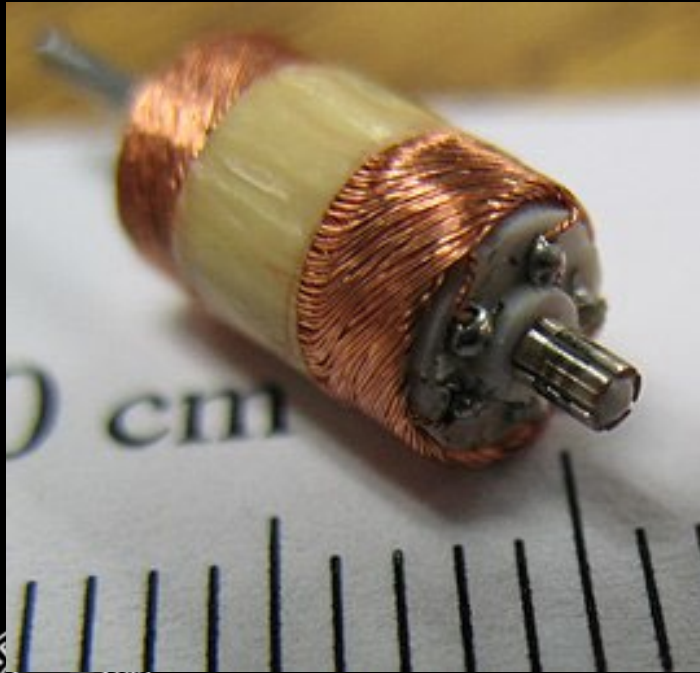
- Measure the Earth's magnetic field [Gauss] or [μT]
- The actual direction depends on latitude, longitude, and time
- Distortions due to metal objects or nearby EM fields



Magnetic Declination

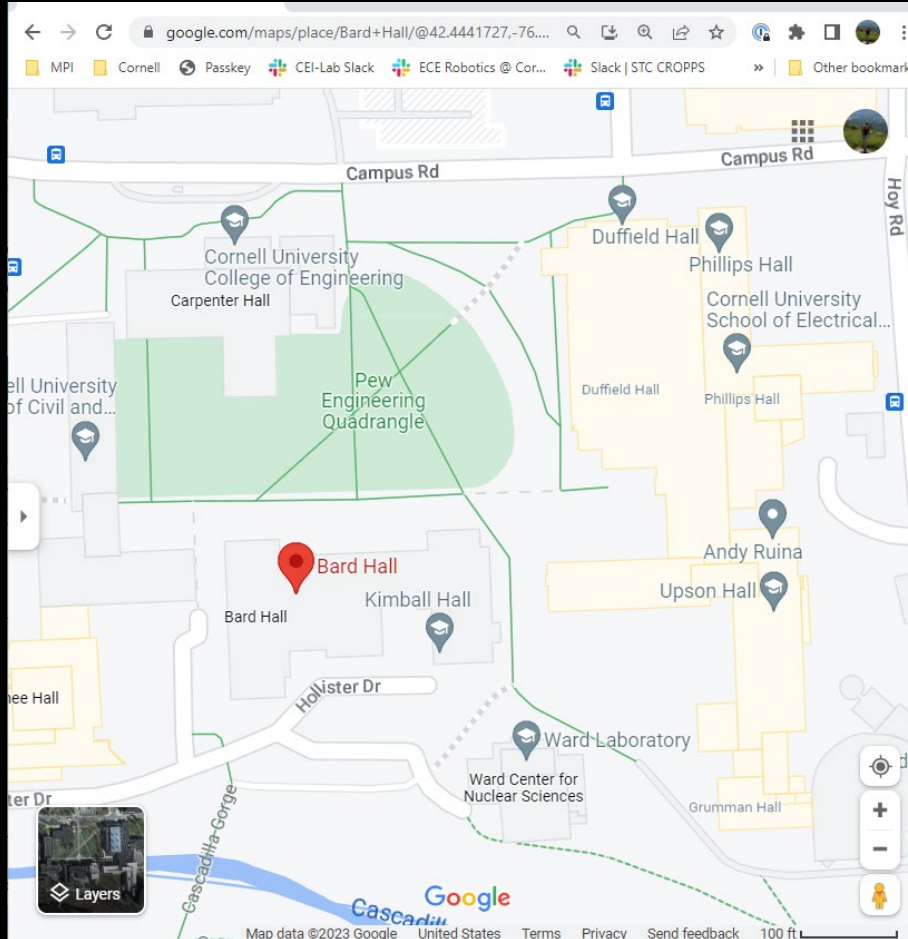
Magnetometer

- Measure the Earth's magnetic field [Gauss] or [μT]
- The actual direction depends on latitude, longitude, and time
- Distortions due to metal objects or nearby EM fields
 - *Examples?*



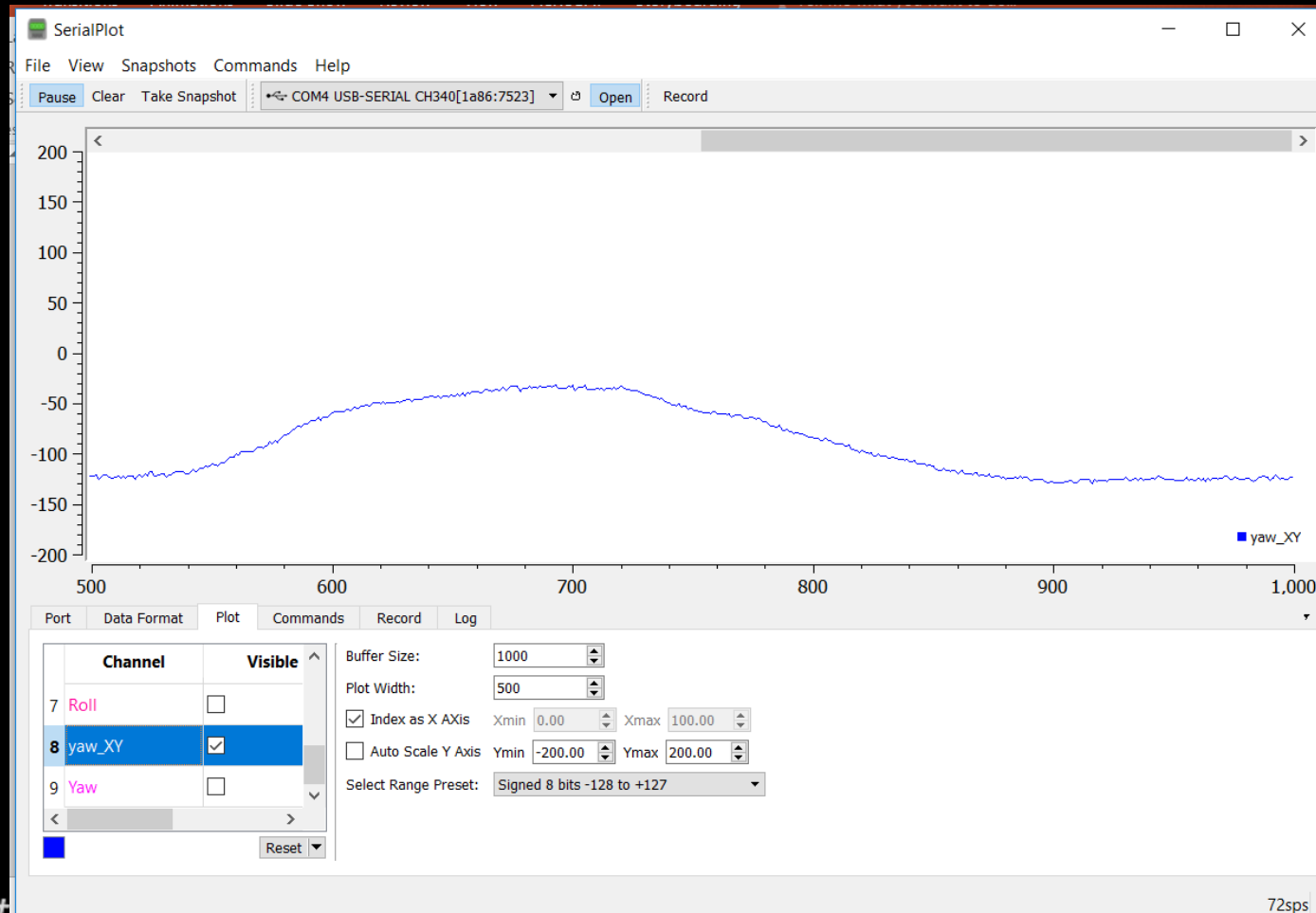
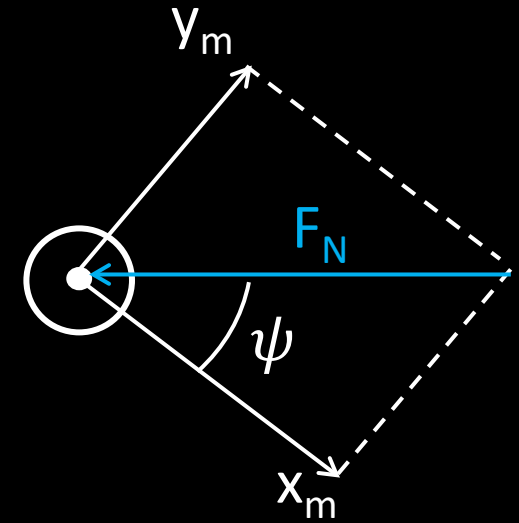
Magnetometer

- Measure the Earth's magnetic field [Gauss] or [uT]
 - Magnetic north is along x_{\max} -axis



Magnetometer

- Measure the Earth's magnetic field [Gauss] or [uT]
- $\psi = \text{atan2}(x_m, y_m)$



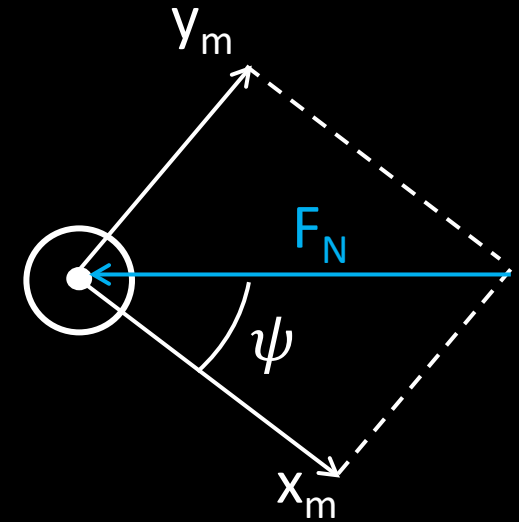
Magnetometer

- Measure the Earth's magnetic field [Gauss] or [uT]
- $\psi = \text{atan2}(x_m, y_m)$
- What if you are also experiencing pitch and roll?
 - Fuse accelerometer + gyroscope + magnetometer data
- Tilt-compensated compass

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_m \\ y_m \\ z_m \end{bmatrix} = R_{x,\phi} R_{y,\theta} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

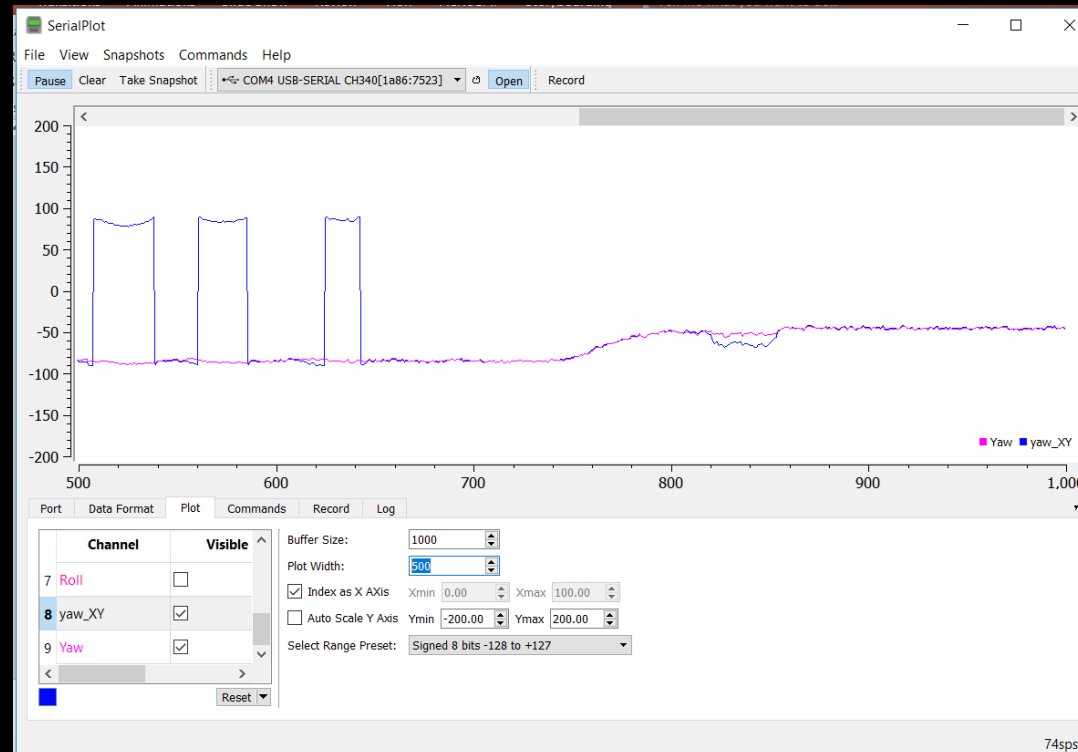
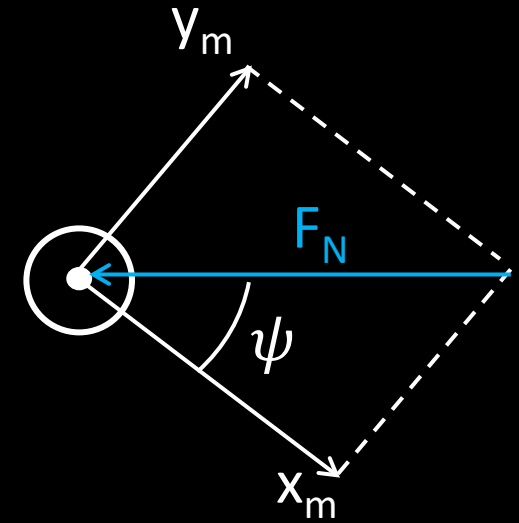
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = R_{x,\phi}^T R_{y,\theta}^T \begin{bmatrix} x_m \\ y_m \\ z_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\phi)\sin(\theta) & \cos(\phi) & \cos(\theta)\sin(\phi) \\ \cos(\phi)\sin(\theta) & -\sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi)\cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_m \\ y_m \\ z_m \end{bmatrix}$$

- $x = y_m * \cos(\phi) - z_m * \sin(\phi);$
- $y = x_m * \cos(\theta) + y_m * \sin(\phi) * \sin(\theta) + z_m * \cos(\phi) * \sin(\theta);$
- $\psi = \text{atan2}(x, y)$



Magnetometer

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- $\psi = \text{atan}\left(\frac{y_m}{x_m}\right)$
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