Guidance & Navigation (Control) of Aerospace Vehicles  
EAS 6415  Section 21G1, Course 28644  
Class Periods:  MWF, period 5, 1:55 PM – 2:45 PM  
Location:  Online  
Academic Term:  Spring 2021  

Instructor  
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Class Lectures on Zoom (live and recorded): MWF, period 5, 1:55 PM – 2:45 PM  
Zoom Meeting Link: https://ufl.zoom.us/j/96676932751?pwd=coxmetMNcvWkxHNTJkZGJYOG94QT09  

Office Hours: Thursdays, period 10, 5:10 PM – 6:00 PM  
Zoom Meeting Link: https://ufl.zoom.us/j/93474060521?pwd=aCszeTIshF0ckh0cVJLa0dvVHo2Zz09  

Course Pre-Requisites / Co-Requisites  
Understanding of particle dynamics, ordinary differential equations, and matrix algebra. Familiarity with probability and Matlab.  

Course Objectives  
To develop skills in treating aerospace guidance and navigation systems (spacecraft in particular) as optimal estimation and guidance problems; To learn to apply a statistical approach to guidance and navigation, and to model and numerically simulate the dynamics of aerospace systems, accounting for the capabilities of modern technologies.  

Materials and Supply Fees  
None.  

Required Textbooks and Software  
• Course notes  
• Satellite Orbits: Models, Methods and Applications, O. Montenbruck & E. Gill, Springer, 1st Ed.  

Recommended Materials  
• Numerical Computing with Matlab, C. B. Moler, SIAM  
• Fundamentals of Astrodynamics, R. R. Bate, D. D. Mueller, J. E. White, Dover Books  
• Tactical & Strategic Missile Guidance, Paul Zarchan, AIAA, 5th Ed.  

Course Schedule  
Week 1:  Lecture 1. Introduction  
Week 2-3:  Lecture 2. Astrodynamics review: The two-body problem  
Week 4-5:  Lecture 3. Forces that perturb satellite orbits  
Week 7:  Lecture 5. Models for navigation systems  
Week 8-10:  Lecture 6. Optimal estimation review  
Week 11:  Lecture 7. Orbit determination and navigation  
Week 12-13:  Lecture 8. Guidance  
Week 14-15:  Lecture 9. Selected problems in satellite guidance and navigation
Attendance Policy, Class Expectations, and Make-Up Policy
All lectures for this course will be held live online via Zoom (links are above). Each lecture will be recorded and uploaded to Canvas for students to view at a later time. Attending all lectures is vital to your success in the course.

Evaluation of Grades

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Grading Policy

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More information on UF grading policy may be found at: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Students Requiring Accommodations
Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, https://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation
Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/evals. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/.

University Honesty Policy
UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The Honor Code (https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

Commitment to a Safe and Inclusive Learning Environment
The Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering values broad diversity within our community and is committed to individual and group empowerment, inclusion, and the elimination of discrimination. It is expected that every person in this class will treat one another with dignity and respect regardless of gender, sexuality, disability, age, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, and culture.

If you feel like your performance in class is being impacted by discrimination or harassment of any kind, please contact your instructor or any of the following:
- Your academic advisor or Graduate Program Coordinator
- Robin Bielling, Director of Human Resources, 352-392-0903, rbielling@eng.ufl.edu
- Curtis Taylor, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, 352-392-2177, taylor@eng.ufl.edu
- Toshikazu Nishida, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, 352-392-0943, nishida@eng.ufl.edu

Software Use
All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate. We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to uphold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

Student Privacy
There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see: http://registrar.ufl.edu/catalog0910/policies/regulationferpa.html

Campus Resources:

**Health and Wellness**

**U Matter, We Care:**
Your well-being is important to the University of Florida. The U Matter, We Care initiative is committed to creating a culture of care on our campus by encouraging members of our community to look out for one another and to reach out for help if a member of our community is in need. If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu so that the U Matter, We Care Team can reach out to the student in distress. A nighttime and weekend crisis counselor is available by phone at 352-392-1575. The U Matter, We Care Team can help connect students to the many other helping resources available including, but not limited to, Victim Advocates, Housing staff, and the Counseling and Wellness Center. Please remember that asking for help is a sign of strength. In case of emergency, call 9-1-1.

**Counseling and Wellness Center:** [http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc](http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc), and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

**Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)**
Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

**University Police Department** at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or [http://www.police.ufl.edu/](http://www.police.ufl.edu/)

**Academic Resources**

*Engineering Mechanics - Dynamics, EGM 3401*
John W. Conklin, Fall 2020
**E-learning technical support**, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu. [https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml](https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml).

**Career Resource Center**, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling. [https://www.crc.ufl.edu/](https://www.crc.ufl.edu/).

**Library Support**, [http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask](http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask). Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

**Teaching Center**, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. [https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/](https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/).

**Writing Studio, 302 Tigert Hall**, 846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers. [https://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/](https://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/).
