



# ROBOTIC SERVICING AND CONSTRUCTION IN THE FACE OF UNKNOWN DYNAMICS

IDENTIFICATION OF DYNAMICS PARAMETERS TO AID IN ROBOTIC SERVICING AND CONTROL

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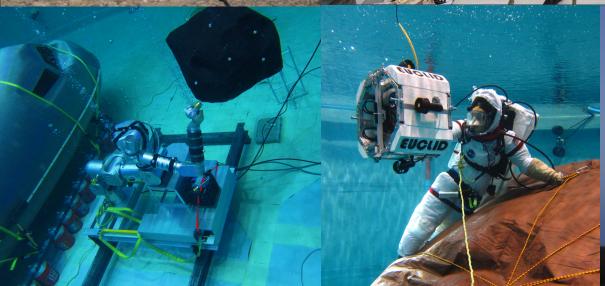
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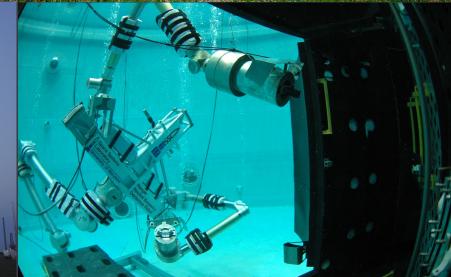
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# DYNAMICS PARAMETER IDENTIFICATION OF PAYLOADS FOR SERVICING AND ONWARDS

#### Example Applications:

- Orbital debris removal
  - Spent rockets
  - Dead satellites
- Satellite servicing with small spacecraft
  - "Tugboat" maneuvering of satellite
  - Movement and delivery of mission extension packages for satellites
  - End-Of-Life deorbit operations
- Robotic assembly and construction
  - Future, large optic, observatory construction
  - Orbital outposts



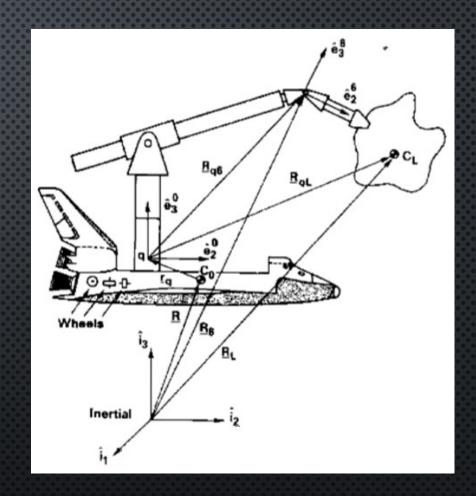
# PRIOR WORK

Coupled dynamics of a manipulator and spacecraft system

- Reaction Moment Compensation [1]
- Base Parameters of a Manipulator Dynamic Model [2]
- Generalized Jacobian Matrix [3]

Dynamics parameter identification

- Estimators and Observers [4-6]
- Inverse and Direct Dynamic Models [7-11]
  - Inverse Dynamic Identification Model



Satellite-mounted robot showing reaction wheels and inertial coordinate frames [1]

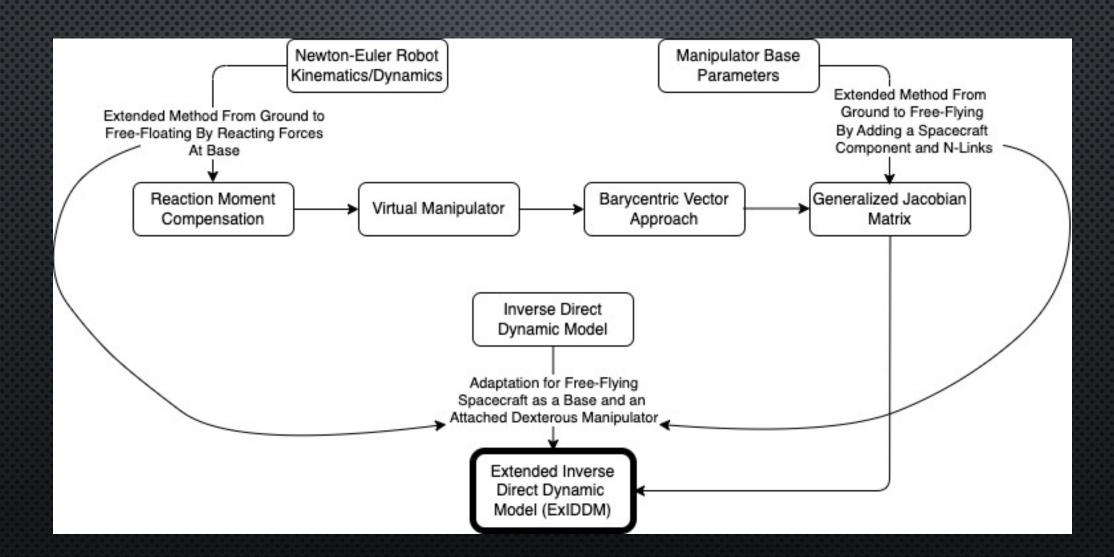


## LIMITATIONS OF PRIOR WORK

- Much of the work is for free-floating systems limiting the ability to translate
- Assumption that accurate estimates of dynamics parameters for the grappled payload are known a priori for coupled dynamics models
- Existing dynamics parameter identification methods assume the manipulator is rigidly attached to the ground
  - Or they completely ignore identification altogether [12]



# INSPIRATION FOR A SOLUTION



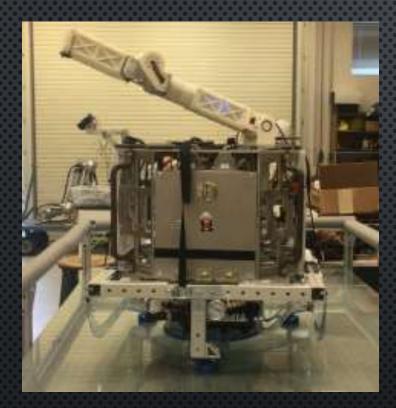


# CONTRIBUTIONS

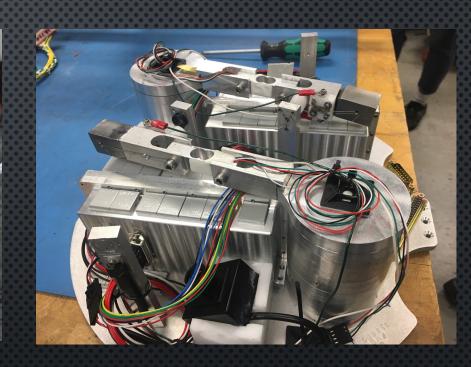
- Theoretical method to extend the Inverse Direct Dynamics Model (IDDM) to include a robotic manipulator and a free-floating spacecraft
- Experimental results for calculation of the base inertial parameters
   of a payload attached to a spacecraft based robotic manipulator using
   the Extended Inverse Direct Dynamics Model (ExIDDM)
- Demonstration of the ExIDDM methods following the same calculation methods as the IDDM, e.g. the Inverse Dynamics Identification Model (IDIM)



# EXPERIMENTAL VERIFICATION







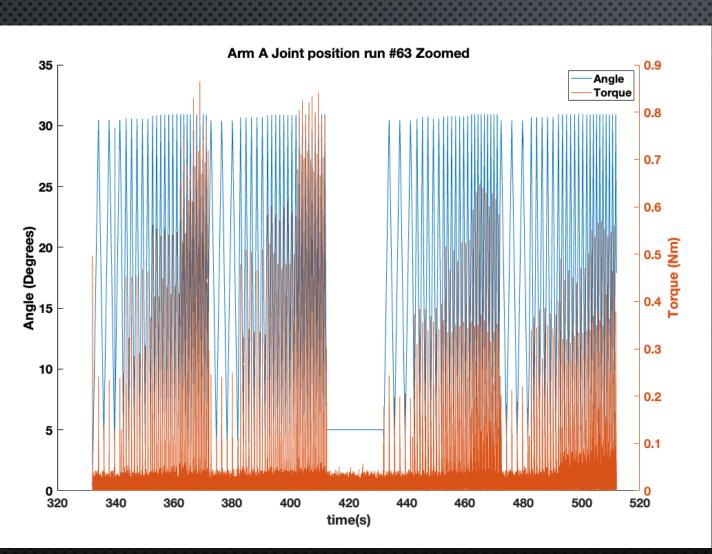
Air Bearing Table

Parabolic Flight

Suborbital Rocket Flight



# ROCKSAT-X SUBORBITAL ROCKET

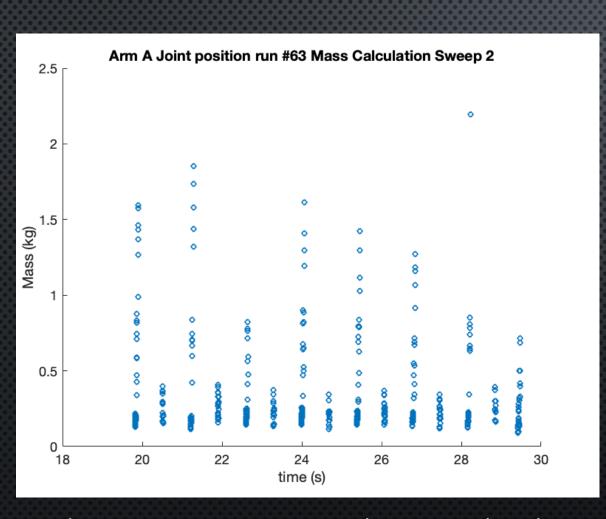




The robot DIVO sweep motions and payload cutdown



# SUBORBITAL EXPERIMENT RESULTS



Parameter	Expected Value	Identified Value	Difference	Error
m₄ (Arm)	233.1 g	244.5 g	11.4 g	4.89%
$m_4 + m_5$	299.4 g	296.0 g	3.4 g	1.14%
$m_5$	66.3 g	51.5 g	14.8 g	22.3%

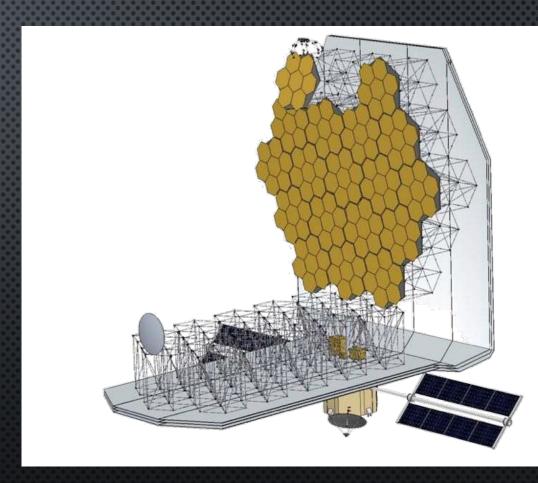
RockSat-X Payload: Identified Parameter Values

RockSat-X:  $m_4$  +  $m_5$  converging pre-ejection of the tip mass



## APPLICATION TO OBSERVATORIES

- In Space Assembly of large aperture observatories
- "Tugboat" operations for moving cargo from transfer craft to assembly staging areas
- Adaptability to unknown payloads
  - Identification of manifest errors
- Repair of observatories in-situ
  - Larger apertures have higher probability of MMOD strikes increasing need for serviceability
  - Valuable at Sun-Earth L2 where manned missions are unlikely
  - Damaged systems will have changed intrinsic characteristics



iSA Study 20m Telescope Reference Concept [13]



## FINAL REMARKS

- Developed the Extended Inverse Direct Dynamic Model for Dynamics Parameter Identification.
  - Verified via experiments with air bearing table, parabolic flight, and suborbital sounding rockets
  - Applications for robotics servicing, construction, and depot management
  - Successfully defended Spring 2024
- Currently working as a Postdoctoral researcher at UMD
  - Working on the NASA LuSTR program developing and testing technologies for reusable gecko skin-based adhesives to remove lunar dust from space suits and lunar infrastructure
  - Looking for future full-time employment opportunities within the servicing community



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# BACKUP SLIDES



# EXTENDED INVERSE DIRECT DYNAMICS MODEL

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{M}(\boldsymbol{\chi},q)\ddot{q} + \boldsymbol{C}(\boldsymbol{\chi},q,\dot{q})\dot{q} + \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{\chi},q) + \boldsymbol{\zeta}(\boldsymbol{\chi},\dot{q}) &= \boldsymbol{\tau}_{idm} \\ \boldsymbol{\chi}_{Ex} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\chi}_0^\top & \boldsymbol{\chi}_1^\top & \boldsymbol{\chi}_2^\top & \cdots & \boldsymbol{\chi}_n^\top & \boldsymbol{\chi}_{n+1}^\top \end{bmatrix}^\top \end{split}$$

$$M(\chi,q)\ddot{q}\in\mathbb{R}^{(n+2)\times(n+2)}=$$
 Generalized inertia matrix for the system containing inertial parameters for all components

$$m{Y}_{m{\chi}}(\ddot{q},\dot{q},q)\in\mathbb{R}^{(n+2) imes p}=\mbox{Jacobian matrix with respect to }m{\chi}$$
  $m{ au}_{idm}\in\mathbb{R}^{n+2}=\mbox{Input torque vector for the system}$   $m{\chi}\in\mathbb{R}^{n+2}=\mbox{Inertial parameters vector for}$  the system

$$\boldsymbol{\chi}_{j} = [XX_{j}, XY_{j}, XZ_{j}, YY_{j}, YZ_{j}, ZZ_{j}, MX_{j}, MY_{j}, MZ_{j},$$

$$M_{j}, Ia_{j}, Fv_{j}, Fc_{j}]^{\top}$$

$$\boldsymbol{L}_{i} = [XX_{i}, XY_{i}, XZ_{i}, YY_{i}, YZ_{i}, ZZ_{i}]^{\top}$$

$$\dot{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p}_n \\ \omega_n \end{bmatrix} = \bar{\boldsymbol{J}}(\phi)\dot{\phi} + \dot{\boldsymbol{P}}_0 \text{ (From GJM )}$$

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\tau}_{idm}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\chi}} = \boldsymbol{Y}_{\boldsymbol{\chi}}(\ddot{q}, \dot{q}, q) + \dot{\boldsymbol{P}}_0$$

$$m{Y}_{m{\chi}}(\ddot{q},\dot{q},q) \in \mathbb{R}^{(n+2) imes p} = ext{Jacobian matrix with respect to } m{\chi}$$
 
$$m{ au}_{idm} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+2} = ext{Input torque vector for the system}$$
 
$$m{\chi} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+2} = ext{Inertial parameters matrix for}$$
 the system 
$$\dot{m{P}}_0 = (m{v}_G^\intercal, m{\omega}_G^\intercal)^\intercal = ext{is the initial translational and rotational}$$

$${}^A\dot{r}_0 + {}^A\dot{A}_0{}^0b_0 =$$
 is the rotation and translation of the base satellite in the GJM

$$\chi_j = \text{Inertial parameters of the } j^{th} \text{ system element}$$

$$L_j$$
 = The inertia tensor parameters for the  $j^{th}$  link

movement of the base satellite