



# Torpedo-like AUV control in constrained environment

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## Context

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## Research laboratory

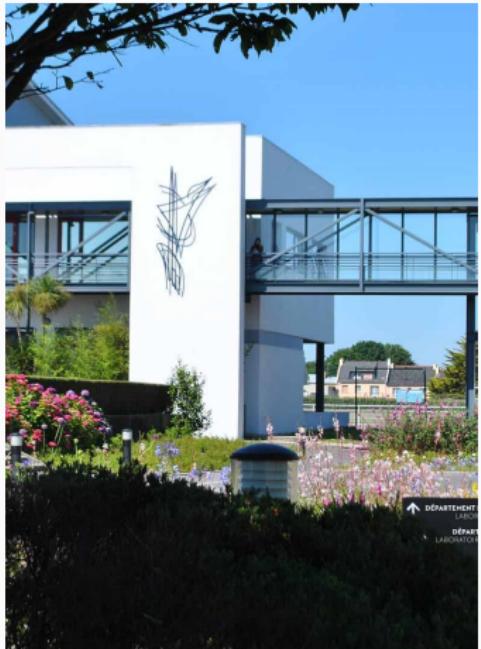
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Lab-STICC

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- AID funding: Jean-Daniel Masson



## AUV

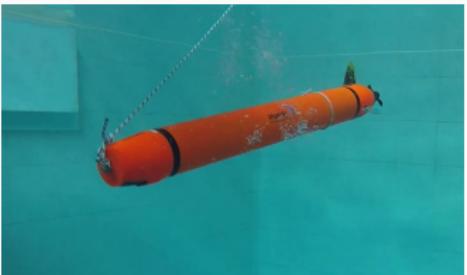
- Control of torpedo-like AUV
- Riptide's micro-uuv

## Environment

- Constrained environment
- Pool, harbor, ...

## Goals

- Reactivity
- Manoeuvrability



**Figure 1:** Harbor and Riptide in the ENSTA Bretagne pool

# Motivation

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## Wall avoidance

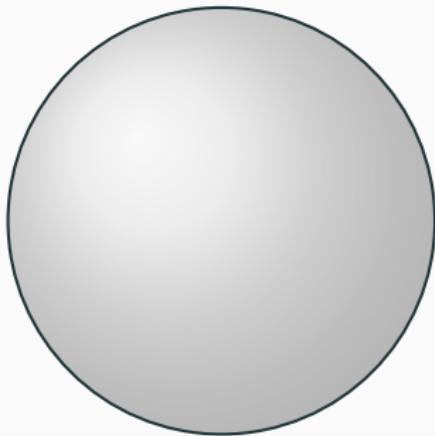
- Sense wall
- Determine normal vector  $\mathbf{u}$
- Reorient AUV orthogonal to  $\mathbf{u}$

## Control law

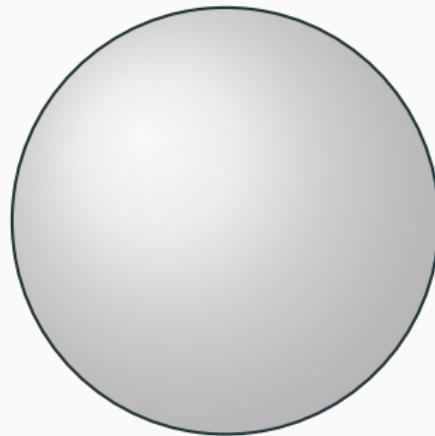
- Without singularities
- Based on reliable sensors
- Independant of orientation
- As fast as possible



**Figure 2:** Vodelée quarry - Belgium



**Figure 3:** Representation in  $S^2$



**Figure 4:** Representation in  $SO(3)$

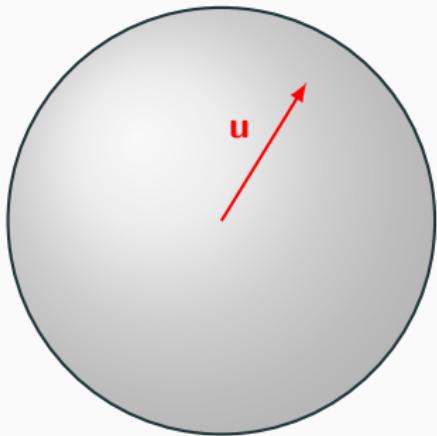


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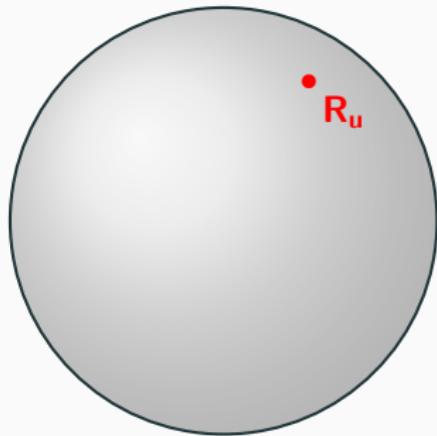


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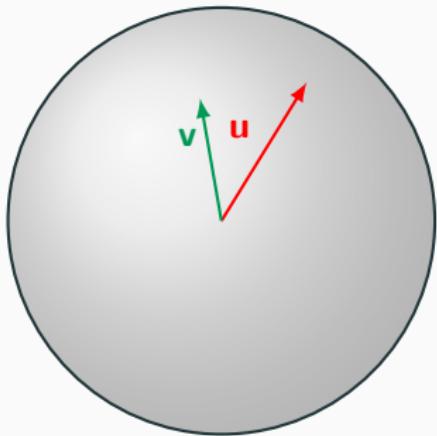


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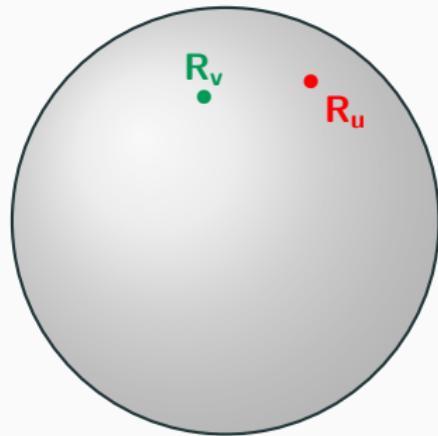


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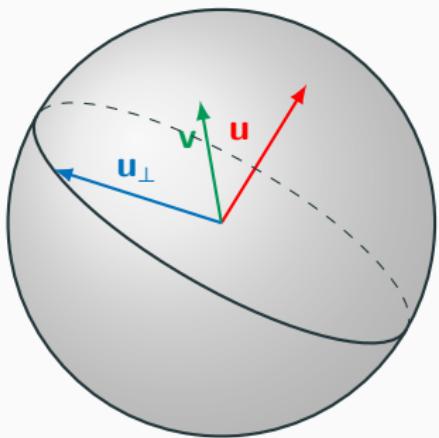


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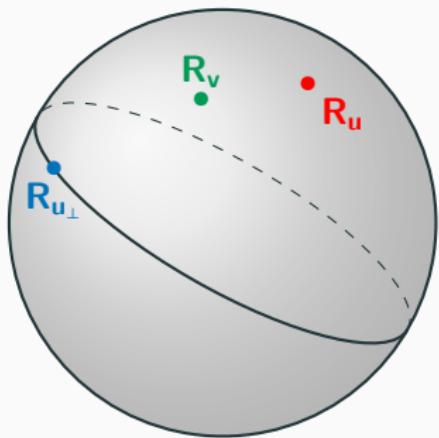


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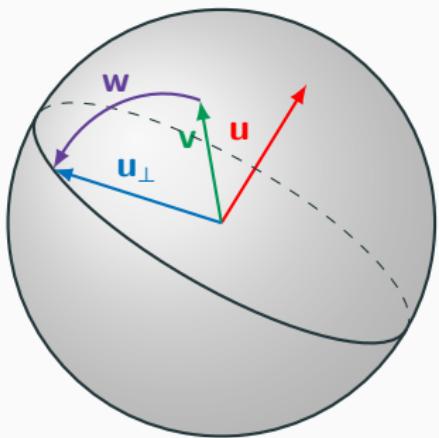


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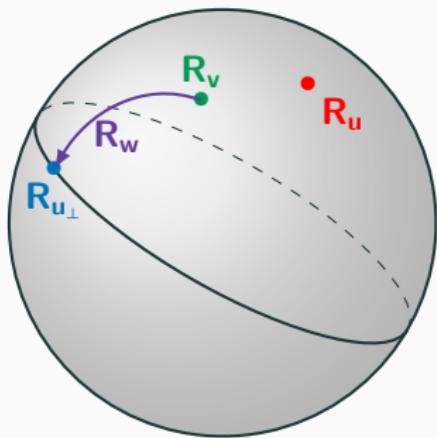
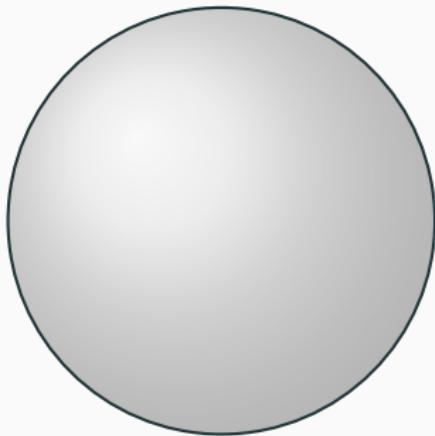
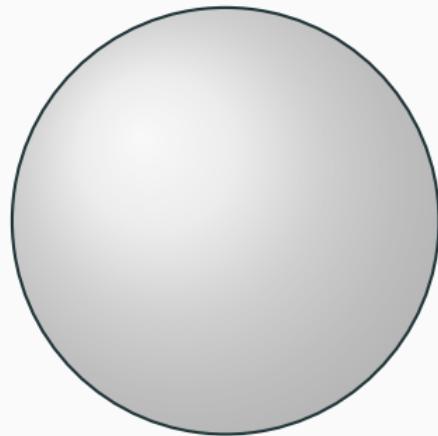


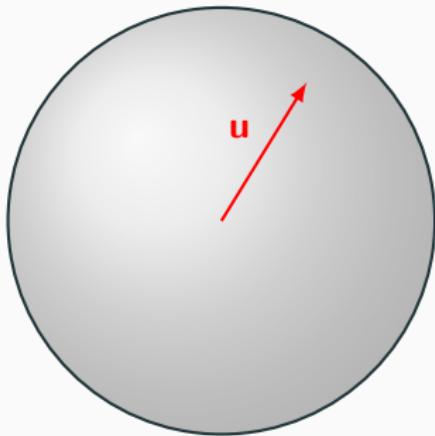
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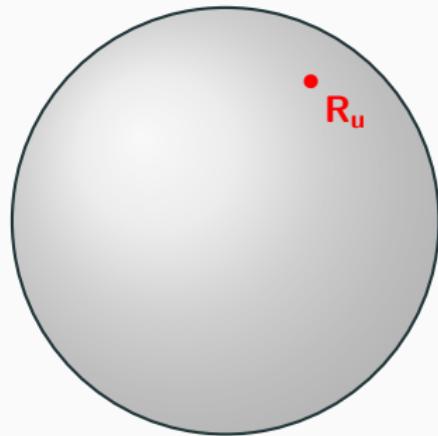
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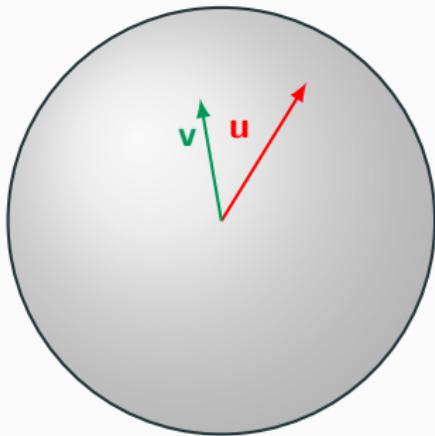
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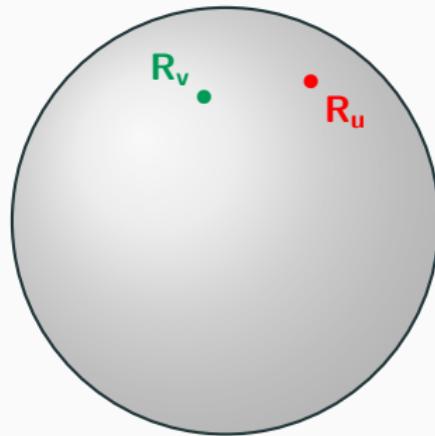
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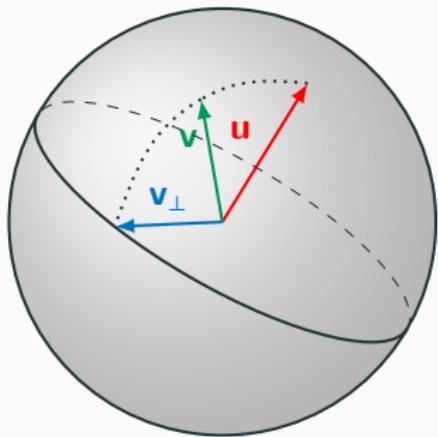
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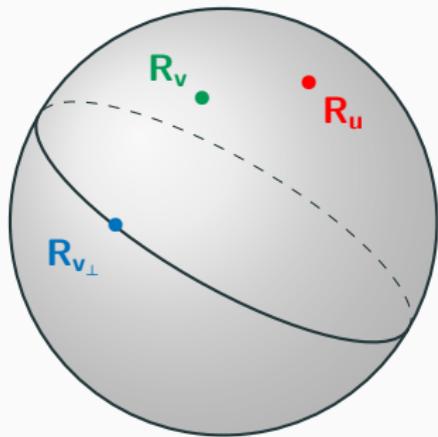
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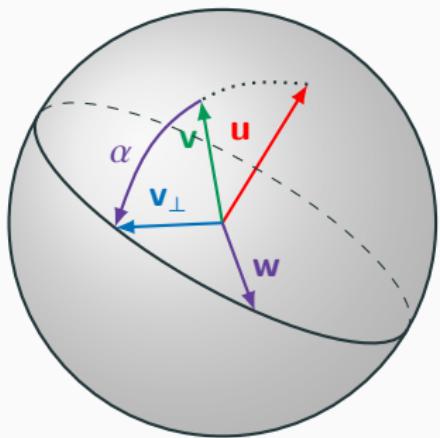
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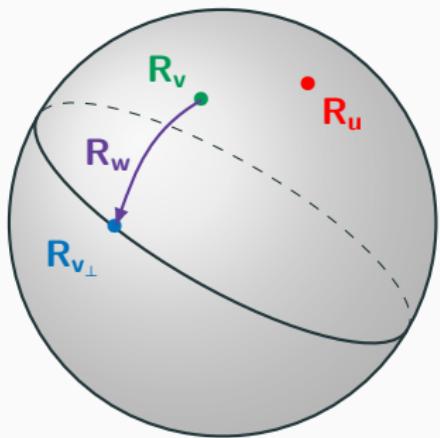
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## Classical control<sup>1</sup>

### Strengths

- Already implemented
- Fully controlled orientation

### Weaknesses

- Complete knowledge of  $\mathbf{R}$
- Set all angles
- Slower reorientation

## Orthogonal control

### Strengths

- Partial knowledge of  $\mathbf{R}$
- Set only necessary angles
- Quickest reorientation
- Other angles controllable

### Weaknesses

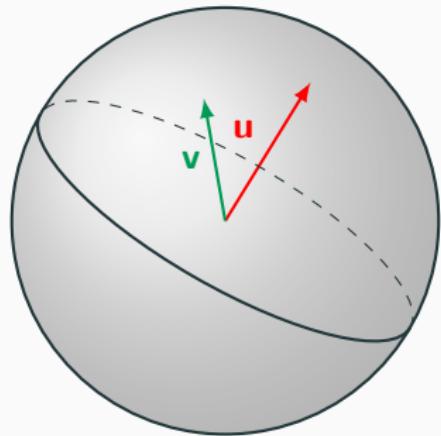
- Uncontrolled direction

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<sup>1</sup>Jaulin (2019)

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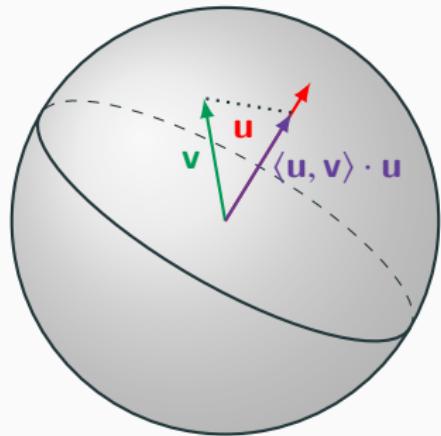
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$$v_{\perp} = \frac{v - \langle u, v \rangle \cdot u}{\|v - \langle u, v \rangle \cdot u\|} \quad (1)$$

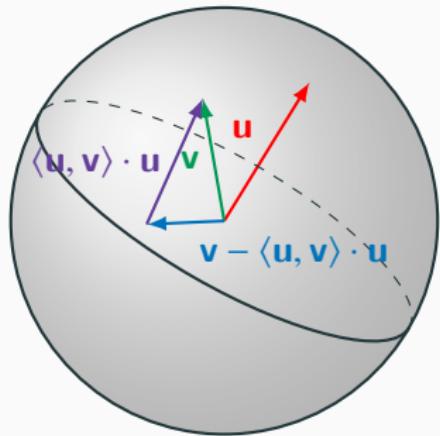
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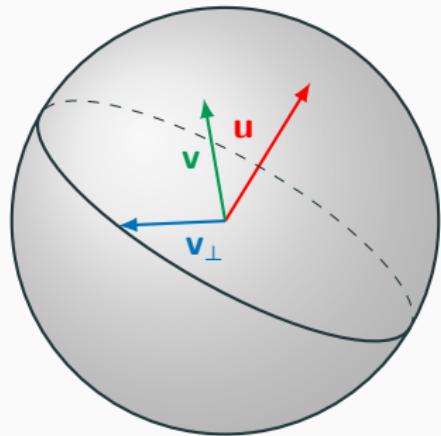
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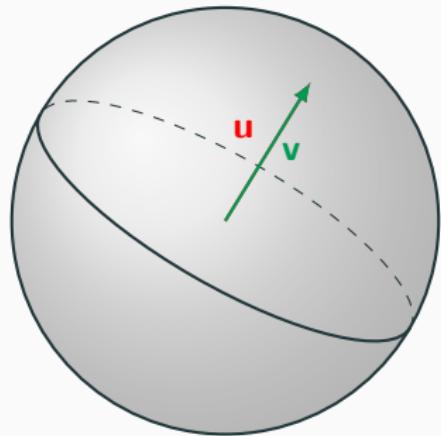


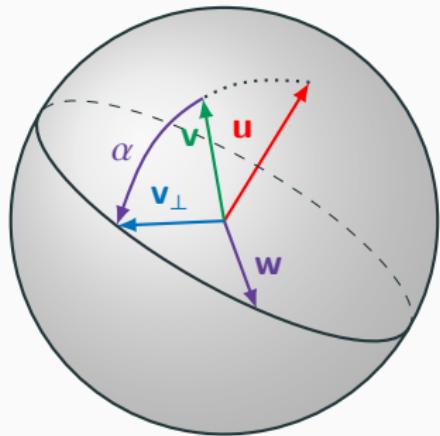
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## Limitation

Physical singularity when  $u = v$ , as  $v_{\perp}$  is undefined



## Determine $R_w$

$$w = v \wedge v_{\perp}$$

$$\alpha = \arccos(\|w\|) \quad (2)$$

$$R_w = \exp\left(\alpha \frac{w}{\|w\|} t\right)$$

Figure 8: Representation in  $S^2$

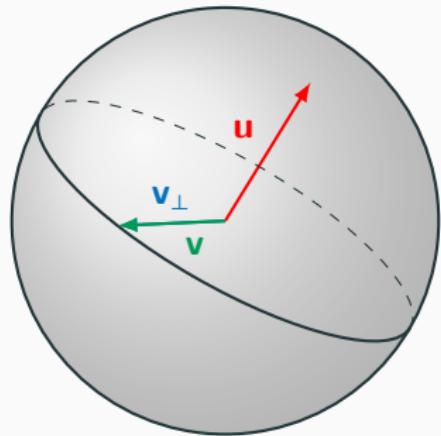


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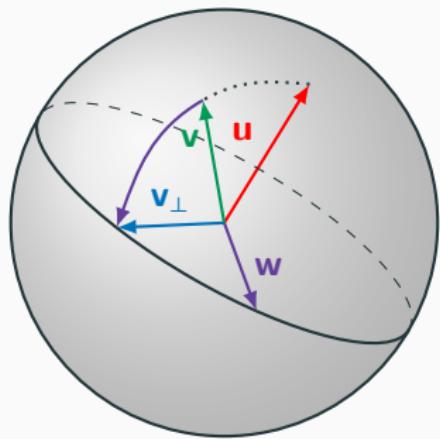
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## Issue

- If  $v = v_{\perp}$ ,  $\|w\| = 0$



**Figure 9:** Representation in  $S^2$

## Codesido formula<sup>2</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} K_v^{v_\perp} &= v_\perp v^T - vv_\perp^T \\ R_v^{v_\perp} &= I_3 + K_v^{v_\perp} + \frac{1}{1+\langle v, v_\perp \rangle} (K_v^{v_\perp})^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

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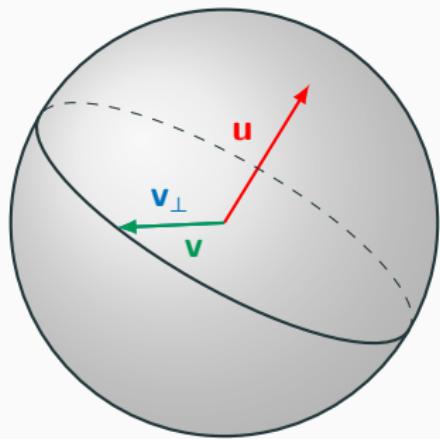


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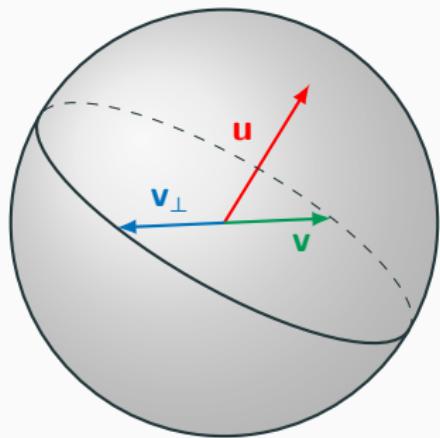


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- If  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_\perp$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_v^{v_\perp} = \mathbf{I}_3$
- Singularity when  $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_\perp \rangle = -1$

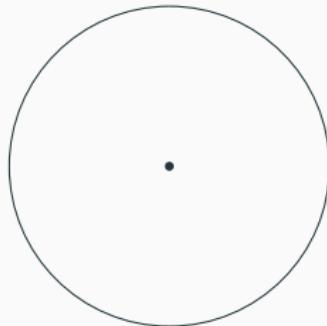
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## 2D Examples

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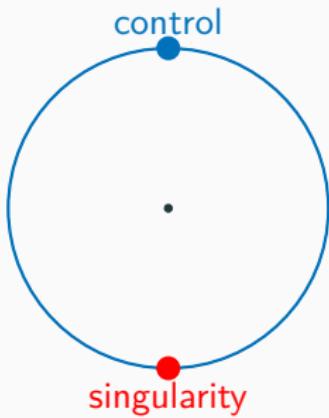
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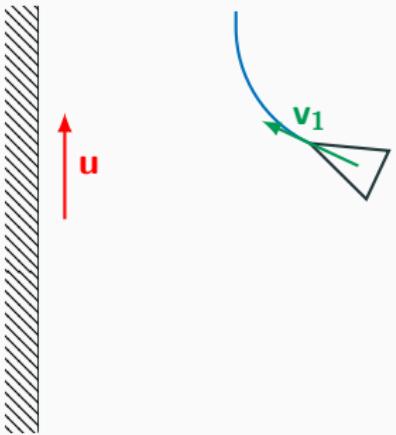
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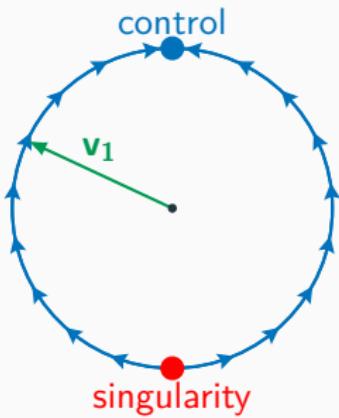
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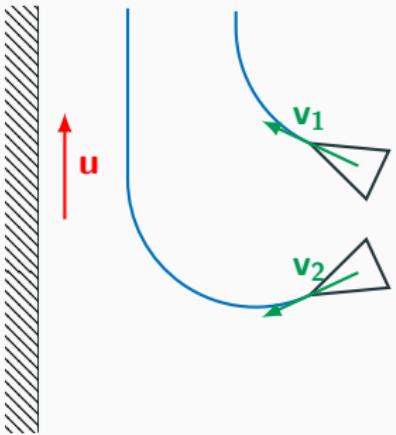
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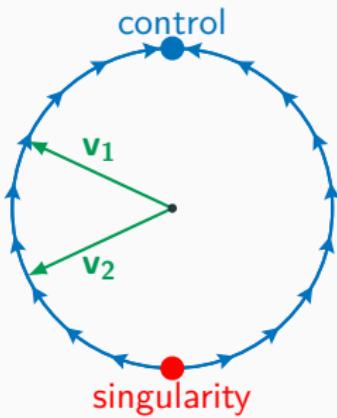
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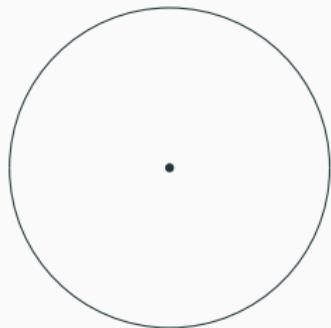
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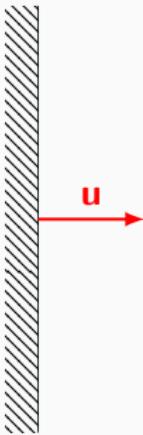
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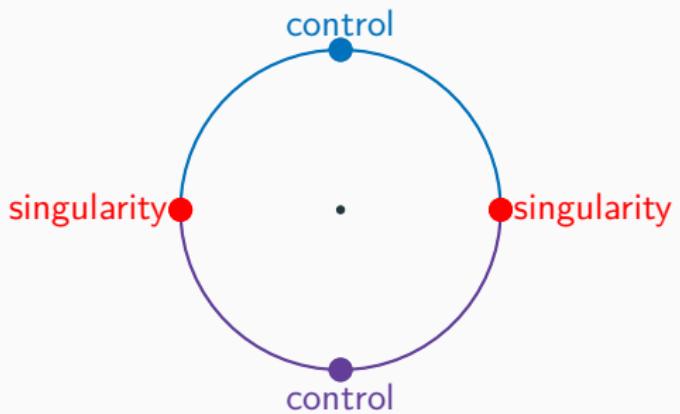
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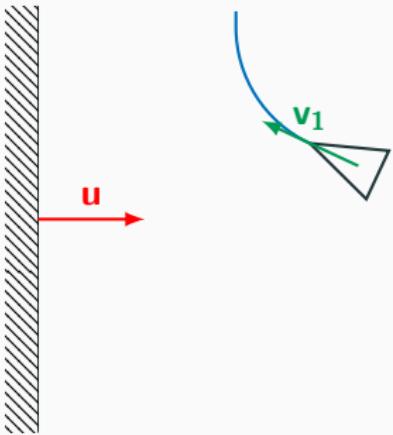
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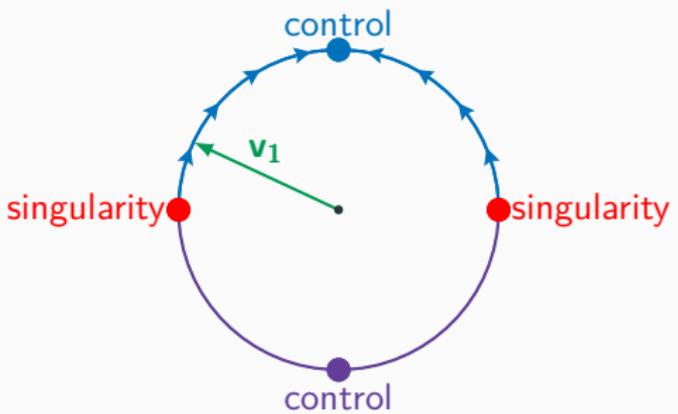
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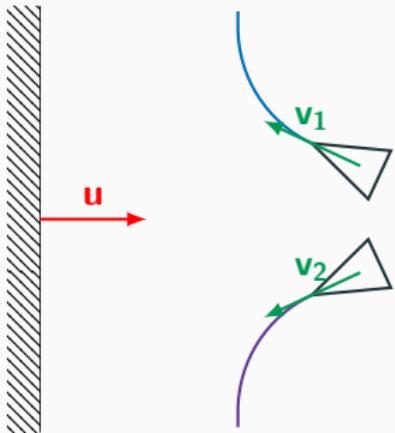
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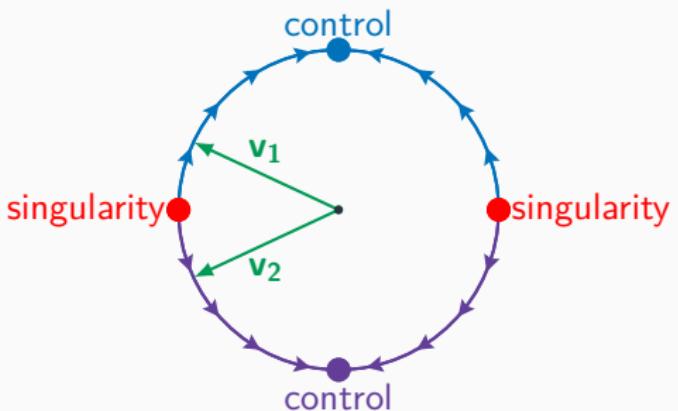
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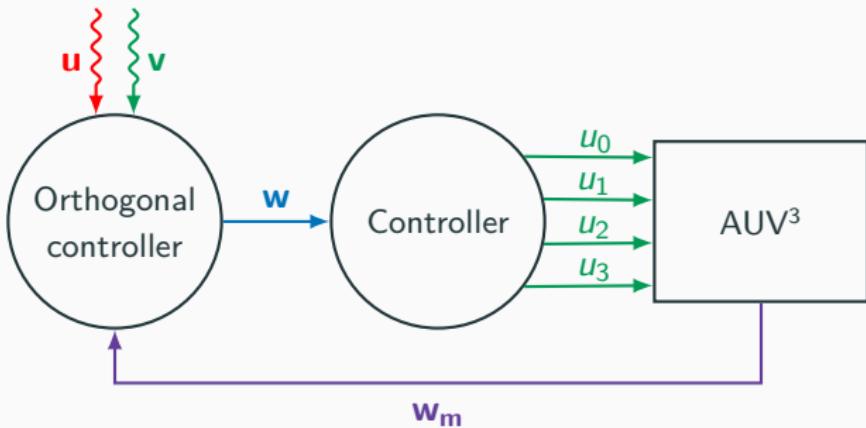


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## AUV application

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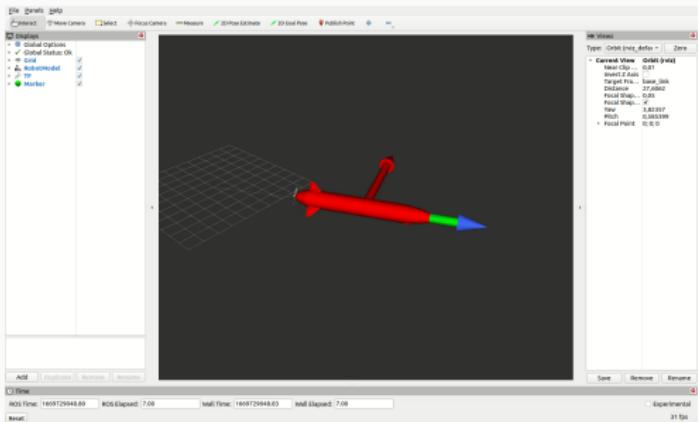
# Controller block diagram



**Figure 14:** Block diagram - Orthogonal controller

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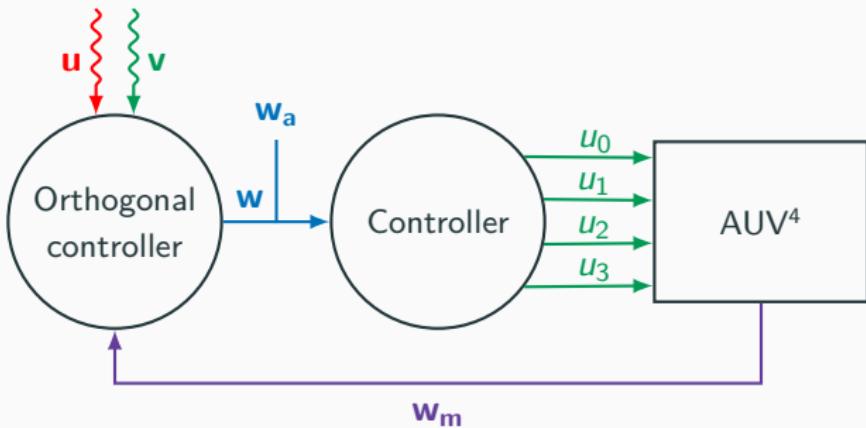
<sup>3</sup>Fossen (2011)



## Simulation

- 1 constraint  $\mathbf{v} \perp \mathbf{u}$
- $\mathbf{u} = \text{AxisRot}(\frac{\pi}{8}, \mathbf{z})$
- $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0, 0)^T$

Figure 15: 1 orthogonal constraint

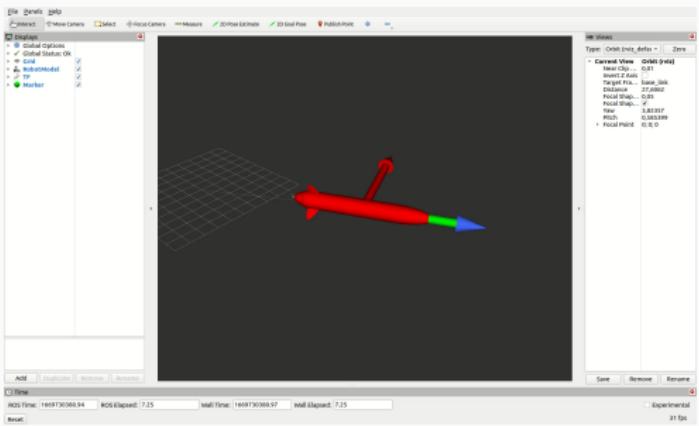


**Figure 16:** Block diagram - Orthogonal controller

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<sup>4</sup>Fossen (2011)

## 1 Constraint - $w_a$ injection



**Figure 17:** Random orthogonal constraint with  $w_a$  injection

## Simulation

- 1 constraint  $\mathbf{v} \perp \mathbf{u}$
  - $\mathbf{u} = \text{random}$
  - $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0, 0)^T$

## w<sub>a</sub> injection

- $\mathbf{w}_a = (w_x, 0, 0)$
  - $w_x$  changing every 2 seconds

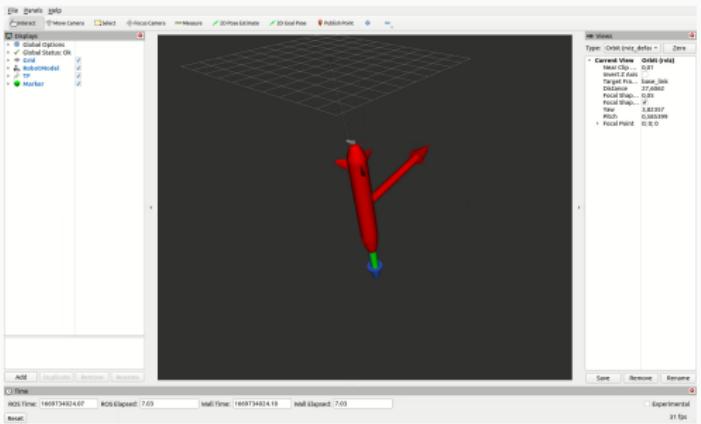


Figure 18: Flat navigation with  $w_a$  injection

## Simulation

- 1 constraint  $\mathbf{v} \perp \mathbf{u}$
- $\mathbf{u} = (0, 0, 1)^T_w$
- $\mathbf{v} = (1, 0, 0)^T$

## $w_a$ injection

- $w = (w_x, 0, 0)$

## Conclusion

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## Classical control

- Unsuitable for navigation in constrained environment
- Need a complete knowledge of  $\mathbf{R}$
- Not responsive enough

## Orthogonal control

- Partial knowledge of  $\mathbf{R}$
- Quickest reorientation
- Let controllable degrees of freedom

**Questions?**

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