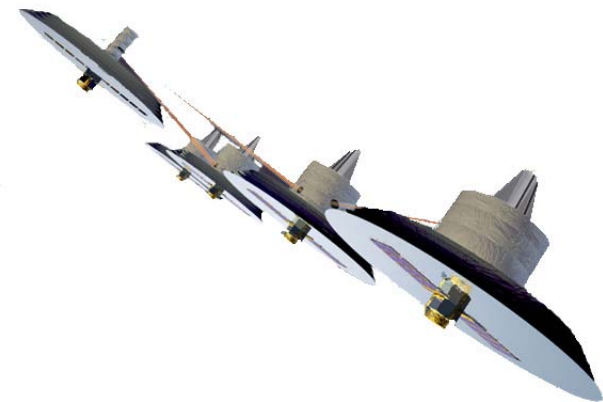


CONTROL STRATEGIES FOR FORMATION FLIGHT IN THE VICINITY OF THE LIBRATION POINTS

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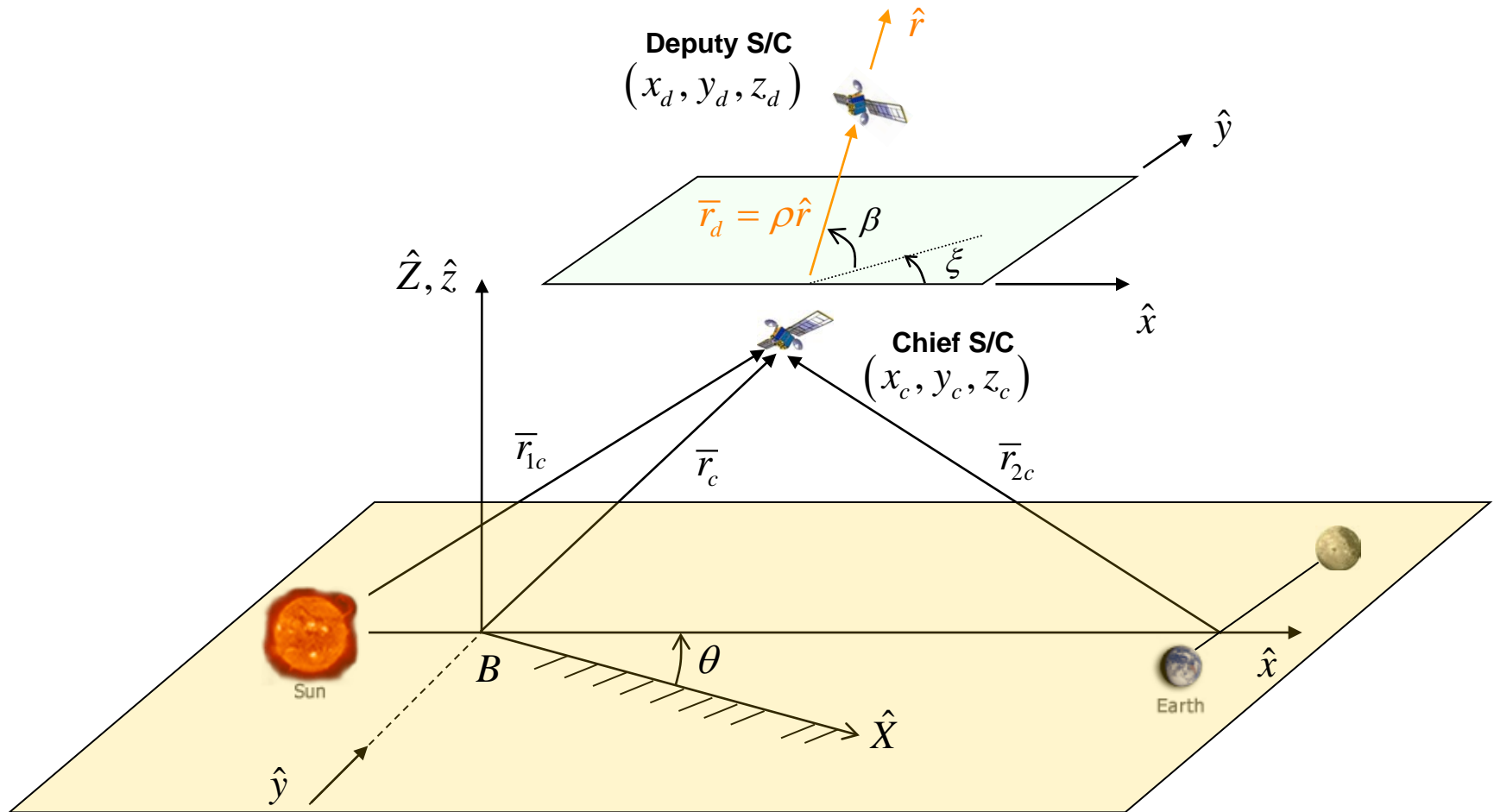


Previous Work on Formation Flight

- Multi-S/C Formations in the 2BP
 - Small Relative Separation (10 m – 1 km)
 - Model Relative Dynamics via the C-W Equations
 - Formation Control
 - LQR for Time Invariant Systems
 - Feedback Linearization
 - Lyapunov Based and Adaptive Control
- Multi-S/C Formations in the 3BP
 - Consider Wider Separation Range
 - Nonlinear model with complex reference motions
 - Periodic, Quasi-Periodic, Stable/Unstable Manifolds
 - Formation Control via simplified LQR techniques and “Gain Scheduling”-type methods.



2-S/C Formation Model in the Sun-Earth-Moon System



Dynamical Model

Nonlinear EOMs:

$$\ddot{\bar{r}}_c(t) = \bar{f}[\bar{r}_c(t)] + 2\bar{J}\dot{\bar{r}}_c(t) + K\bar{r}_c(t) + \bar{u}_c(t)$$

$$\ddot{\bar{r}}_d(t) = \bar{f}[\bar{r}_c(t) + \bar{r}_d(t)] - \bar{f}[\bar{r}_c(t)] + 2\bar{J}\dot{\bar{r}}_d(t) + K\bar{r}_d(t) + \bar{u}_d(t)$$

Linear System:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\bar{r}}_d(t) - \dot{\bar{r}}_d^\circ(t) \\ \ddot{\bar{r}}_d(t) - \ddot{\bar{r}}_d^\circ(t) \end{bmatrix}}_{\delta \dot{\bar{x}}_d(t)} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ \Omega(\bar{r}_c(t), \bar{r}_d^\circ(t)) & 2J \end{bmatrix}}_{A(t)} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \bar{r}_d(t) - \bar{r}_d^\circ(t) \\ \dot{\bar{r}}_d(t) - \dot{\bar{r}}_d^\circ(t) \end{bmatrix}}_{\delta \bar{x}_d(t)} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}}_B \underbrace{(\bar{u}_d(t) - \bar{u}_d^\circ(t))}_{\delta \bar{u}_d(t)}$$

Reference Motions

- Fixed Relative Distance and Orientation
 - Chief-Deputy Line Fixed Relative to the Rotating Frame

$$\bar{r}_d(t) = \bar{c} \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\bar{r}}_d(t) = \bar{0}$$

- Chief-Deputy Line Fixed Relative to the Inertial Frame

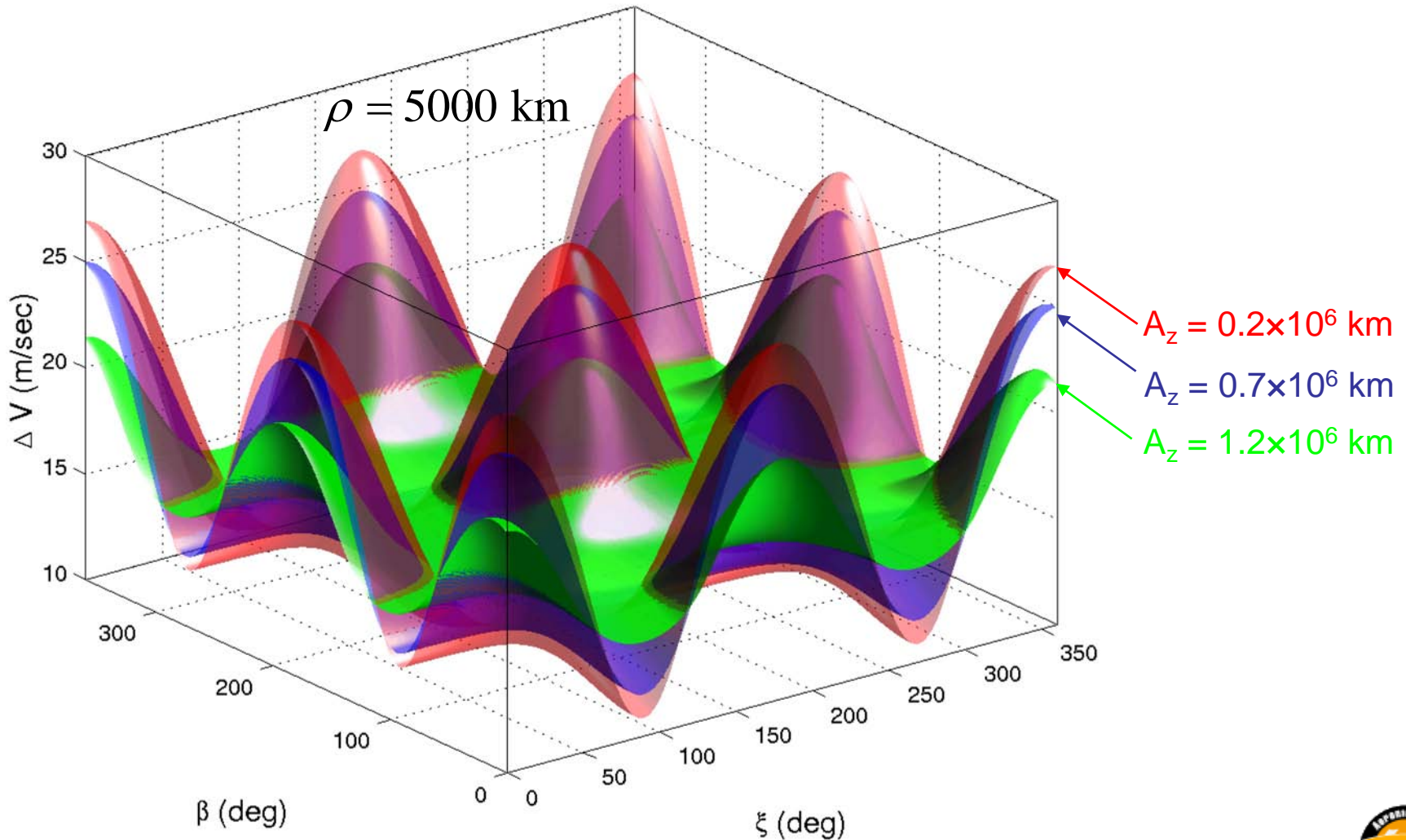
$$x_d(t) = x_{d0} \cos t + y_{d0} \sin t$$

$$y_d(t) = y_{d0} \cos t - x_{d0} \sin t$$

$$z_d(t) = z_{d0}$$

- Fixed Relative Distance, No Orientation Constraints
- Natural Formations (Center Manifold)
 - Deputy evolves along a quasi-periodic 2-D Torus that envelops the chief spacecraft's halo orbit (bounded motion)

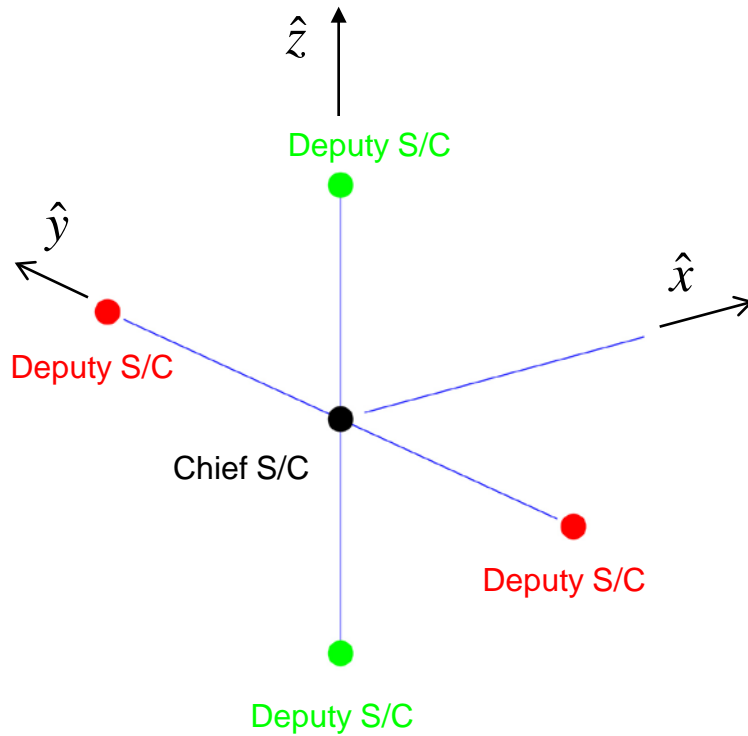
Nominal Formation Keeping Cost (Configurations Fixed in the Rotating Frame)



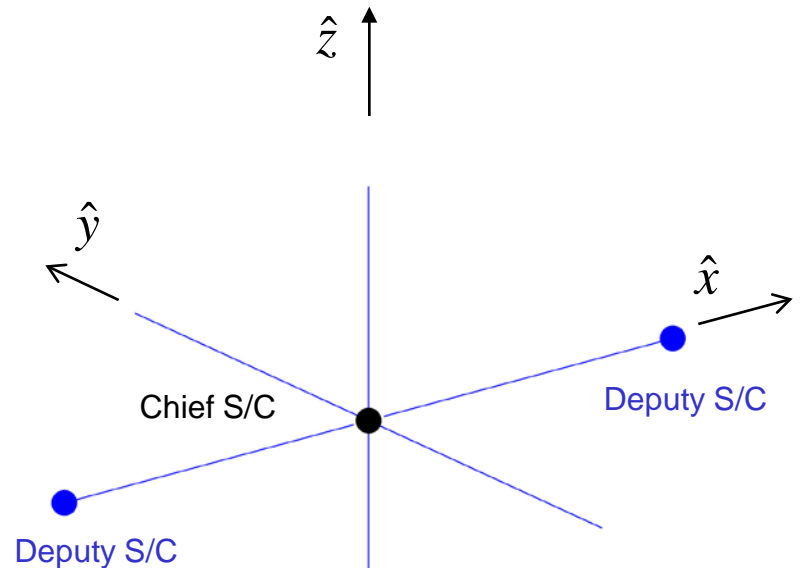
Max./Min. Cost Formations

(Configurations Fixed in the Rotating Frame)

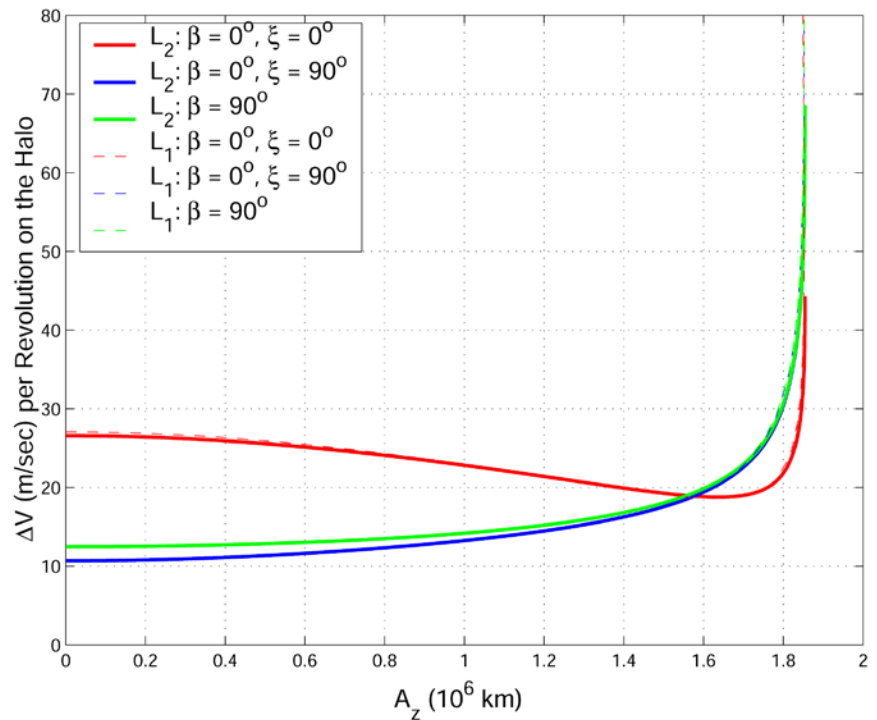
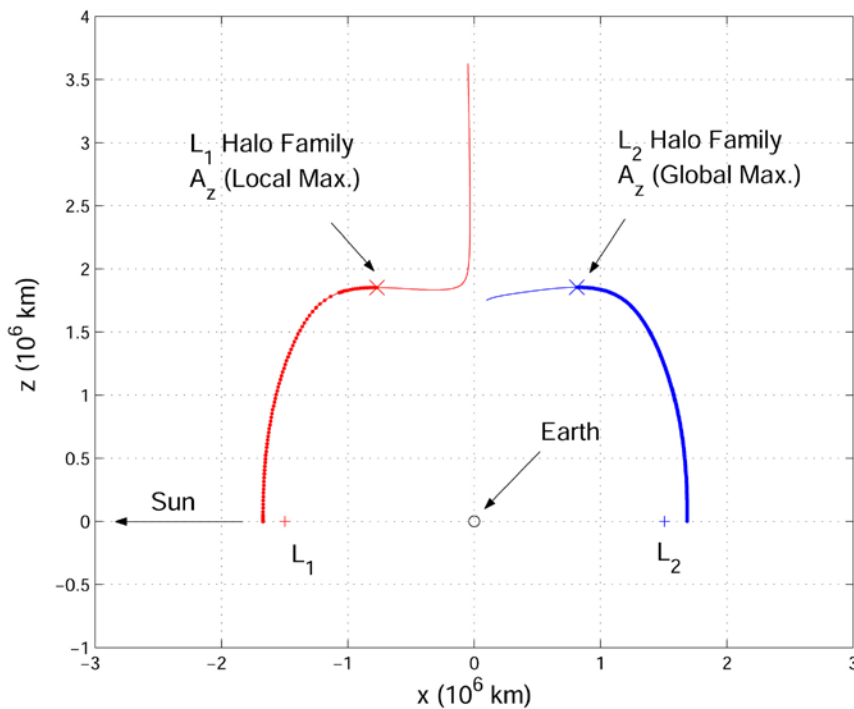
Minimum Cost Formations



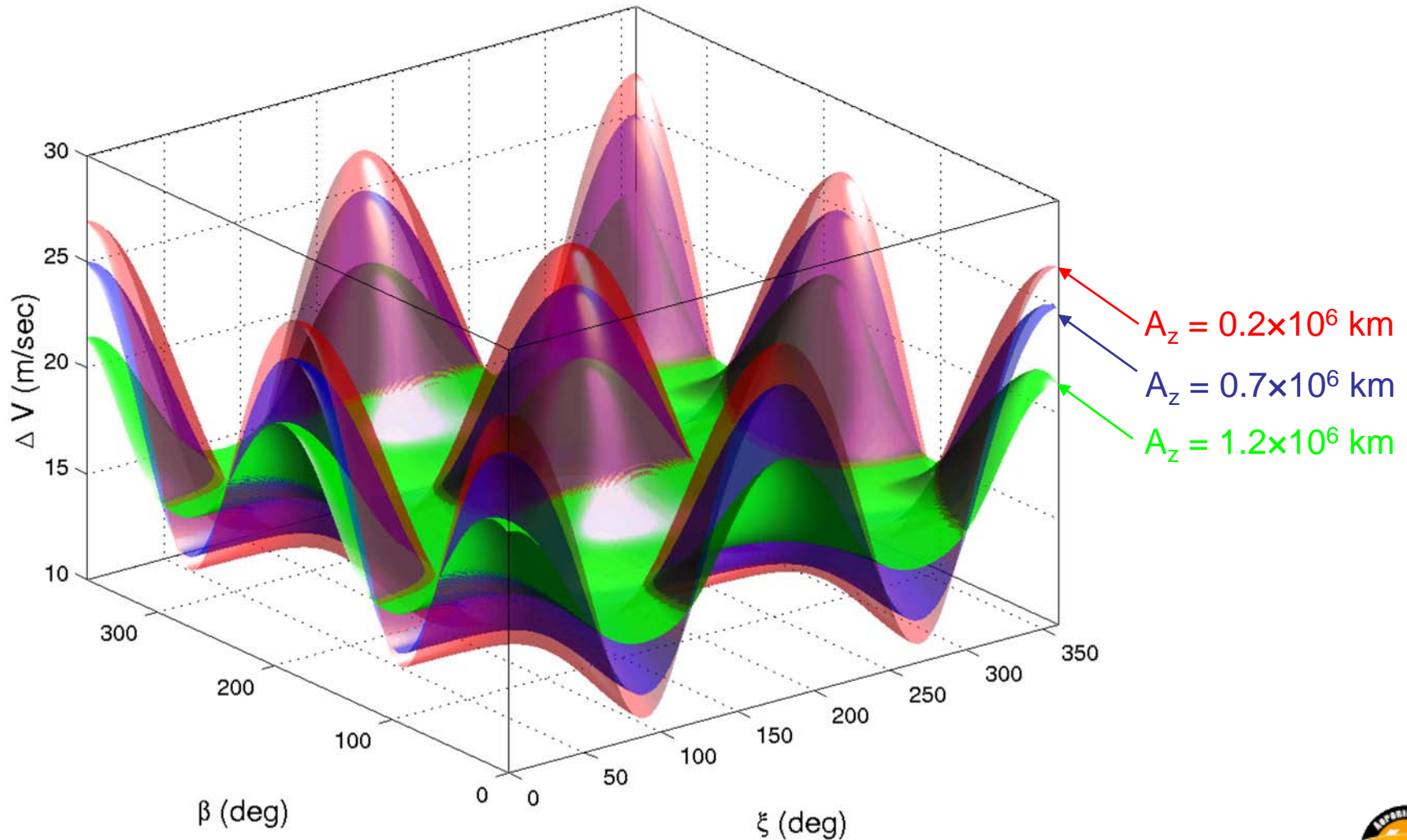
Maximum Cost Formation



Formation Keeping Cost Variation Along the SEM L_1 and L_2 Halo Families (Configurations Fixed in the Rotating Frame)

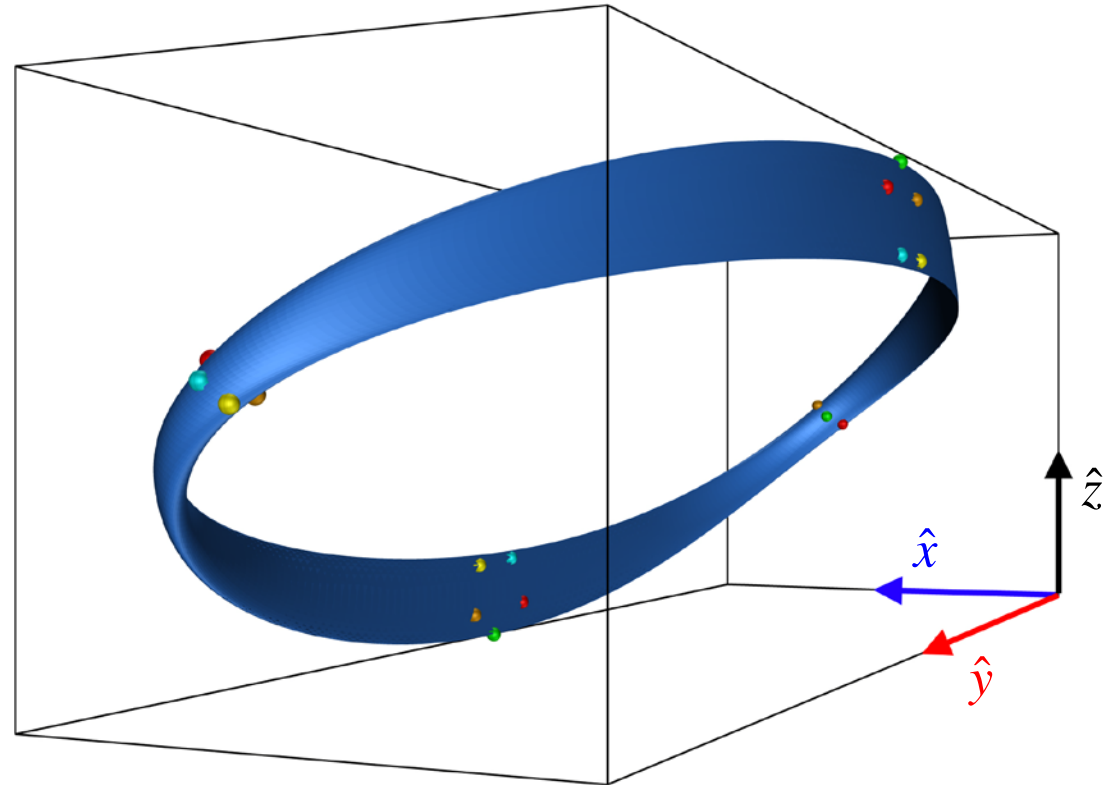
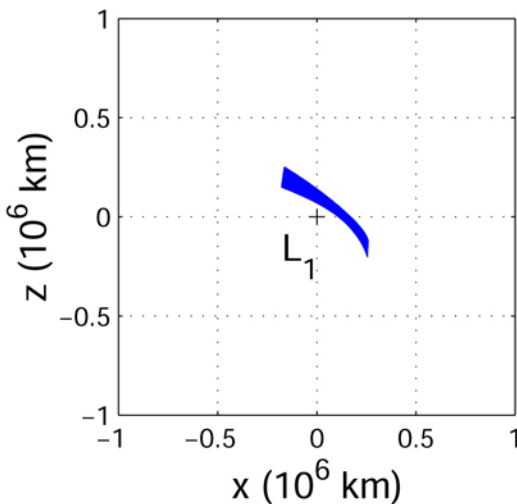
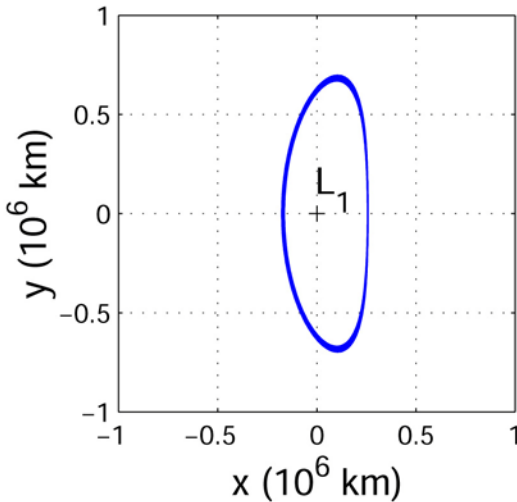


Nominal Formation Keeping Cost (Configurations Fixed in the Rotating Frame)



Quasi-Periodic Configurations

(Natural Formations Along the Center Manifold)

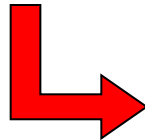


$$\Delta V_{\text{NOMINAL}} = 0$$

Controllers Considered

- LQR

$$\min J = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t_f} \left(\delta \bar{x}_d(t)^T Q \delta \bar{x}_d(t) + \delta \bar{u}_d(t)^T R \delta \bar{u}_d(t) \right) dt$$



$$\delta \bar{u}_d(t) = -R^{-1} B^T P(t) \delta \bar{x}_d(t)$$

$$\dot{P}(t) = -A(t)^T P(t) - P(t) A(t) + P(t) B(t) R^{-1} B(t)^T P(t) - Q$$

- Input Feedback Linearization

$$\dot{\bar{x}}(t) = \bar{f}(\bar{x}(t)) + \bar{u}(t)$$



$$\bar{u}(t) = -\bar{f}(\bar{x}(t)) + \bar{g}(\bar{x}(t))$$

- Output Feedback Linearization

$$\dot{\bar{x}}(t) = \bar{f}(\bar{x}(t)) + \bar{u}(t)$$

$$\bar{y}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} r \\ \dot{r} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\bar{r}^T \bar{r})^{1/2} \\ \frac{\bar{r}^T \dot{\bar{r}}}{r} \\ r \end{bmatrix}$$



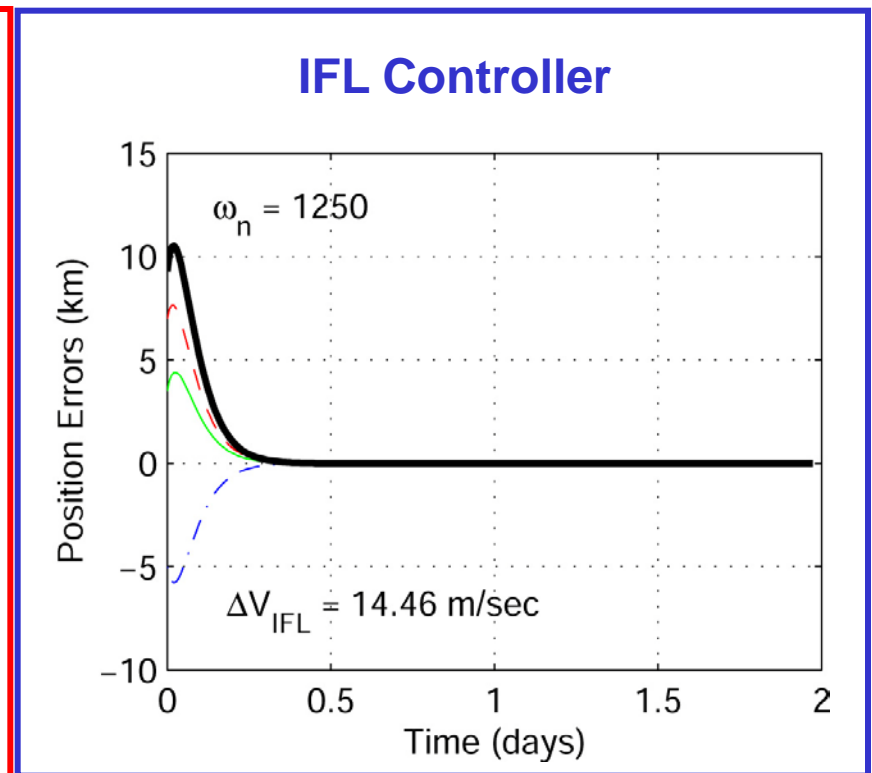
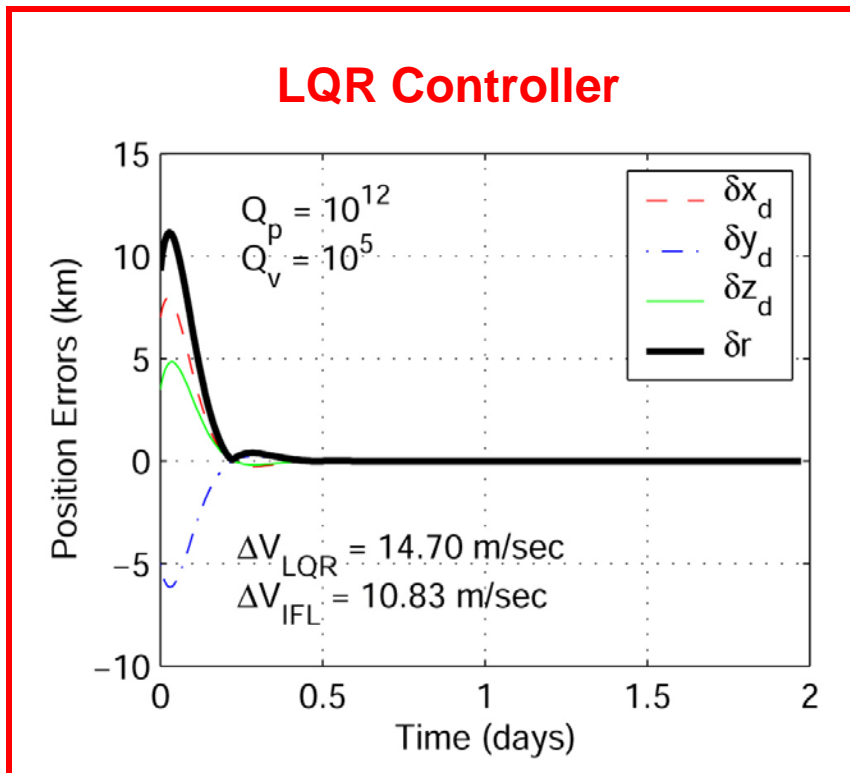
$$\ddot{r} = -(\bar{r}^T \bar{r})^{-3/2} (\bar{r}^T \dot{\bar{r}})^2 + (\bar{r}^T \bar{r})^{-1/2} (\dot{\bar{r}}^T \dot{\bar{r}} + \bar{r}^T \ddot{\bar{r}}) = g(r)$$

$$\bar{u}(t) = \left(\frac{g(\bar{r})}{r} - \frac{\dot{\bar{r}}^T \dot{\bar{r}}}{r^2} \right) \bar{r} - 2J\dot{\bar{r}} - K\bar{r} - \bar{f}(\bar{r})$$

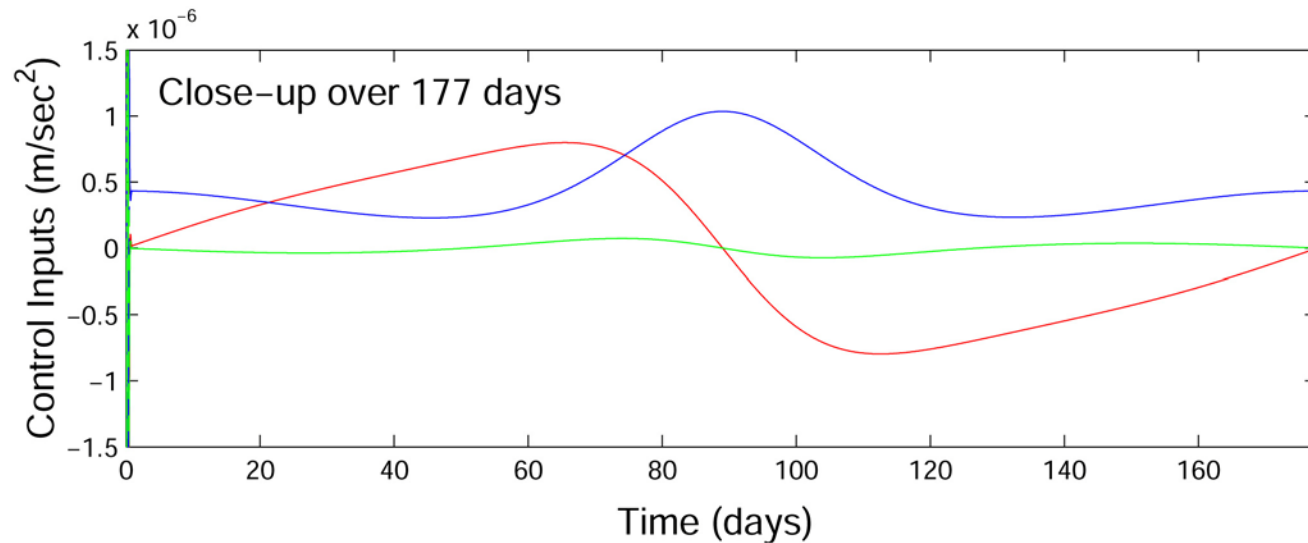
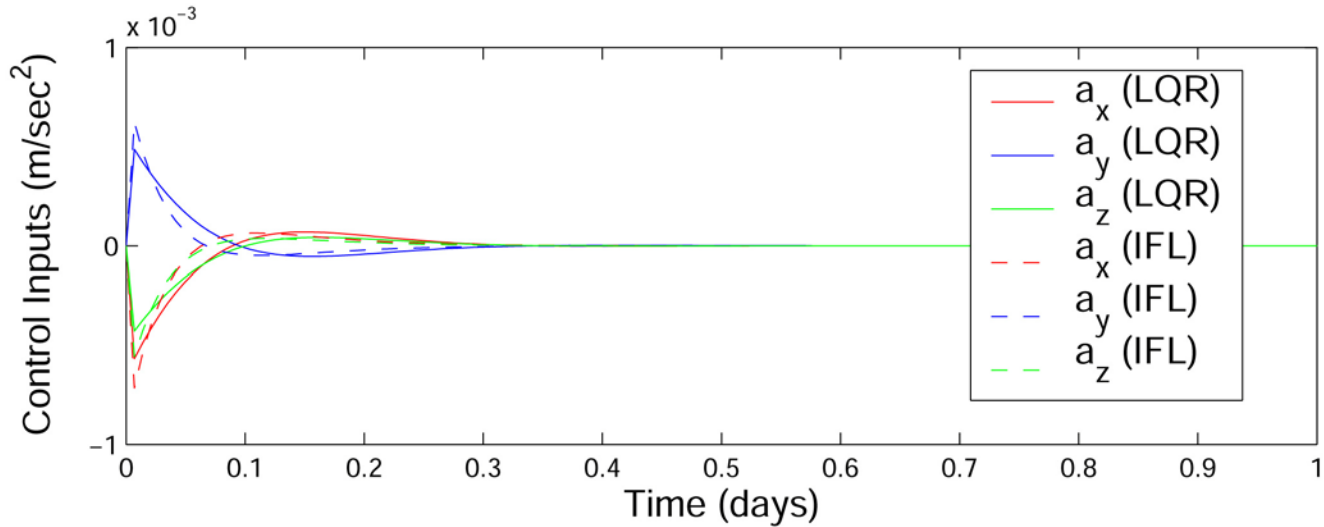
Dynamic Response to Injection Error

$$\rho = 5000 \text{ km}, \xi = 90^\circ, \beta = 0^\circ$$

$$\delta \bar{x}(0) = [7 \text{ km} \quad -5 \text{ km} \quad 3.5 \text{ km} \quad 1 \text{ mps} \quad -1 \text{ mps} \quad 1 \text{ mps}]^T$$



Control Acceleration Histories



Conclusions

- Natural vs. Forced Formations
 - The nominal formation keeping costs in the CR3BP are very low, even for relatively large non-naturally occurring formations.
- Above the nominal cost, standard LQR and FL approaches work well in this problem.
 - Both LQR & FL yield essentially the same control histories but FL method is computationally simpler to implement.
- The required control accelerations are extremely low. However, this may change once other sources of error and uncertainty are introduced.
 - Low Thrust Delivery
 - Continuous vs. Discrete Control
- Complexity increases once these results are transferred into the ephemeris model.