

3 DOF GYROSCOPE

The 3 DOF Gyroscope is a diverse experimental platform that can be used to teach rotational dynamic challenges. With applications in flight control and satellites, this experiment is guaranteed to engage your students.

GIVE STUDENTS CONTROL OF A REAL-WORLD APPLICATION



The principles demonstrated by the Quanser 3 DOF Gyroscope are relevant in technologies used to control orientation in sea, air and space vehicles. Extensive applications of the 3 DOF Gyroscope include altitude control, momentum wheel control, navigation, satellite orientation

and auto-pilot systems. Furthermore, gyroscopic sensors are now found in a wide range of technical devices such as smart phones, tablets, video game controllers, and so on. Your students can cultivate a deep understanding of control theories through real-life applications.

HOW IT WORKS

The 3 DOF Gyroscope utilizes the principles of angular momentum to measure and sustain orientation. This robust system consists of a disk mounted inside an inner blue gimbal which in turn is mounted inside an outer red gimbal. The entire structure is supported by a rectangular silver frame that is free to rotate about its vertical axis of symmetry using a slip ring design. The gimbals are also equipped with slip rings, allowing them to rotate freely and giving the disk three degrees of freedom. The plant is equipped with four DC motors and four encoders. Separate motors actuate both the disk's spin axis and the blue and red gimbals. The fourth motor controls the gray rectangular frame which can be used to create a controlled disturbance. Digital position of all the axes is measured using high-resolution optical encoders. Although the gimbals and outer frame are free to rotate, the plant provides the ability to fix any desired axis (outer frame, red and blue gimbals). These different configurations allow for a wide range of experiments to be performed with the 3 DOF Gyroscope – a distinguishing feature, making this plant a valuable addition to a lab.



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3 DOF GYROSCOPE WORKSTATION COMPONENTS

3 DOF Gyroscope plant Q8-USB data acquisition device AMPAQ-L4 linear current amplifier QUARC real-time control software for MATLAB®/Simulink® Laboratory Guide, User Manual, and Quick Start Guide (provided in digital format) Sample pre-built controllers and complete dynamic model



3 DOF Gyroscope workstation

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