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DOI: <https://doi.org/10.20535/0203-3771402020249107>**V. N. Fedorov**¹, *associate Professor, Candidate of Technical Sciences,***V. V. Kikot**², *student,***N. I. Shtefan**³, *associate Professor, Candidate of Technical Sciences***DETERMINATION OF MERIDIAN POSITION BY A TWO-STEP GROUND
GYROCOMPASS IN EESTHETICAL ROTOR POSITIONING**

Ua Протиріччя між точністю і часом визначення площині географічного меридіана істотно ослабло із появою автоматичних гірокомпасів і алгоритмічних методів обробки інформації із них. Зазначені методи дозволяють розширити спектр можливих режимів роботи гірокомпасів, використовуючи в тому числі й нетрадиційні. У статті розглядається автоматичний двоступеневий наземний гірокомпас, що працює у режимі природної зупинки ротора після його імпульсного розгону неелектричними засобами (пиропатрон, стиснене повітря тощо). Зазначений режим привабливий тим, що дозволяє в одному пуску ідентифікувати неконтрольований шкідливий момент навколо осі підвісу і істотно зменшити час вимірювання. З метою подальшого вдосконалення приладу запропоновано відмовитися від вимірювання поточного значення кінетичного моменту, а коефіцієнт загасання експоненційної функції ідентифікувати, спостерігаючи за азимутним рухом чутливого елемента приладу. Більш того, в статті показано, що можна не вимірювати початкове значення кінетичного моменту, замінивши вимір ідентифікацією цього параметра за спостереженнями за тим же азимутним рухом чутливого елемента. У цьому випадку відпадає необхідність у наявності на чутливому елементі яких би то ні було вузлів, пов'язаних з передачею електроживлення і електричних сигналів, чутливий елемент може бути виконаний як чисто механічний елемент, що несе на собі ротор, що обертається.

Для всіх розглянутих варіантів вимірювання (або ідентифікації) параметрів проведено машинне моделювання, яке підтвердило працездатність запропонованої методики.

Ru Противоречие между точностью и временем определения плоскости географического меридиана существенно ослабло с появлением автоматических гироскопов и алгоритмических методов обработки информации с них. Указанные методы позволяют расширить спектр возможных режимов рабо-

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ты гироскопов, используя в том числе и нетрадиционные. В статье рассматривается автоматический двухстепенной наземный гироскоп, работающий в режиме естественной остановки ротора после его импульсного разгона неэлектрическими средствами (пиропатрон, сжатый воздух и т.д.). Указанный режим привлекателен тем, что позволяет в одном пуске идентифицировать неконтролируемый вредный момент вокруг оси подвеса и существенно уменьшить время измерения. С целью дальнейшего совершенствования прибора предложено отказаться от измерения текущего значения кинетического момента, а коэффициент затухания экспоненциальной функции идентифицировать, наблюдая за азимутальным движением чувствительного элемента прибора. Более того, в статье показано, что можно не измерять начальное значение кинетического момента, заменив измерение идентификацией этого параметра по наблюдениям за тем же азимутальным движением чувствительного элемента. В этом случае отпадает необходимость в наличии на чувствительном элементе каких бы то ни было узлов, связанных с передачей электропитания и электрических сигналов, чувствительный элемент может быть выполнен как чисто механический элемент, несущий на себе вращающийся ротор.

Для всех рассмотренных вариантов измерения (или идентификации) параметров проведено машинное моделирование, подтвердившее работоспособность предложенной

Introduction

During construction of long tunnels, in surveying and military science, geodesy, cartography and many other spheres of human activity the question of determining the plane of geographical meridian in the place of measurement is relevant. Ground gyroscopic compasses (GC) - both three-step and two-step - are used to solve it. The traditional confrontation between measurement accuracy and the time required to take measurements has resulted in a wide variety of technical solutions. The transition from measurement of the greatest deviations of a sensitive element (SE) of GC relative to a meridian plane (points of reversion) [1] to temporary methods [2], allowing to make measurements for time, essentially less than period of oscillations of SE, became the appreciable milestone in increase of efficiency of devices. A significant increase in the accuracy of measurements was achieved by applying the principle of dual-channel, which is realized in gyroscopy either by having two gyroscopes with oppositely directed vectors of kinetic moments [3], or by additional software turns of the PME during measurements [4,5]. The next step in improving the accuracy and speed of GC was the use of algorithmic methods [6], which allow solving the problem on the basis of the analysis of the current position of the PE during a given time interval. In [7] a method of determining the meridian during the acceleration of its rotor is proposed, which significantly reduces the measurement time, and in [8] the possibility of determining the meridian position by three-stage GC in the mode of natural stop of the rotor is considered.

Task definition

The purpose of this paper is to develop a method of determining the position of the meridian by two-step GC during natural – by exponential in time law – stopping of the rotor. Application of the mentioned technique, since it does not require transfer of electric power to the rotor in principle, will allow to refuse placing of electric drive elements on the rotor, and, what is very important, to refuse current leads, that is practically to eliminate mechanical connection between stationary and moving parts of GC. In this case, of course, it is necessary to solve the issue of instantaneous (pulse) acceleration of the rotor by other - non-electrical - means. This can be, for example, the use of a squib, compressed water, or other means. In addition, the paper presents algorithms of information processing, which allow determining the meridian by the results of observation of GC, the rotor of which naturally stops.

Statement of basic material and research

The equation of motion of the PE of a two-stage GC, assuming that its suspension axis is set vertically, is as follows

$$J\ddot{\alpha} + H\Omega_r\alpha = 0, \quad (1)$$

where J is the moment of inertia of the PM relative to the axis of suspension, H is the kinetic momentum of the GC rotor, Ω_r is the horizontal component of the angular velocity of the Earth at the place of measurement, α is the current angle of deviation of the GC rotor axis from the north direction.

Assuming that the kinetic momentum of the rotor during the natural stopping changes according to the law

$$H = H_m e^{-\lambda t}, \quad (2)$$

where H_m is the initial value of the kinetic momentum, λ is the decay index of the exponential function, t is the current time, taking into account the notation

$$B = H_m \Omega_r J^{-1}, \quad (3)$$

we write equation (1) as follows:

$$\ddot{\alpha} + B e^{-\lambda t} \alpha = 0. \quad (4)$$

Introduce a new independent variable

$$z = 2\lambda^{-1} (B e^{-\lambda t})^{0.5}, \quad (5)$$

then with regard to the notations $\alpha' = \frac{d\alpha}{dz}$ and $\alpha'' = \frac{d^2\alpha}{dz^2}$ equation (1) will take the form:

$$z^2 \alpha'' + z \alpha' + z^2 \alpha = 0. \quad (6)$$

Equation (6) is a Bessel equation and has a solution [9]:

$$\alpha = C_1 J_0(z) + C_2 Y_0(z), \quad (7)$$

where C_1 and C_2 are integration constants, J_0 and Y_0 are Bessel functions of the first and second orders, respectively, of "zero" order. Using the initial conditions

$$z = z_0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \alpha_0, \alpha' = \alpha_0' \quad (8)$$

determine the integration constants C_1 and C_2 , then, by performing simple transformations using the recurrence relations for Bessel functions, we finally write down the analytical law of motion of the PE of a two-stage GC at a natural rotor stop in the form

$$\alpha = 0,5 \pi z_0 \{ \alpha_0 [J_1(z_0)Y_0(z) - J_0(z)Y_1(z_0)] + \alpha_0' [J_0(z_0)Y_0(z) - J_0(z)Y_0(z_0)] \}. \quad (9)$$

Keeping in mind that when the GC moves, the observed coordinate is the angle $\alpha - \alpha_0$, equation (9) can be represented as

$$\alpha_0 f_1(z, z_0) + \alpha_0' f_2(z, z_0) = f_3(z, z_0), \quad (10)$$

where $f_1(z, z_0) = J_1(z_0)Y_0(z) - J_0(z)Y_1(z_0) - 2\pi^{-1}z_0^{-1}$,

$$f_2(z, z_0) = J_0(z_0)Y_0(z) - J_0(z)Y_0(z_0),$$

$$f_3(z, z) = 2(\alpha - \alpha_0) \pi^{-1}z_0^{-1}.$$

If we assume that in the process of determining the position of the meridian plane the initial value of the kinetic moment H_m can be measured and the decay index of the exponential function λ can be calculated from the analysis of the measured dependence (2), then the desired initial deviation α_0 can be found by minimizing the functional

$$F(\alpha_0, \alpha_0') = \sum [\alpha_0 f_1(z, z_0) + \alpha_0' f_2(z, z_0) - f_3(z, z_0)]^2,$$

i. e. as a result of solving a system of algebraic equations

$$\alpha_0 \sum f_1^2 + \alpha_0' \sum f_1 f_2 = \sum f_1 f_3,$$

$$\alpha_0 \sum f_1 f_2 + \alpha_0' \sum f_2^2 = \sum f_2 f_3.$$

In order to confirm the efficiency of the proposed methodology, a computer simulation was carried out, the only difference being that not an analytical solution of equation (1) in the form of dependence (10) was used as a mathematical model of GK motion, but the result of the computer integration of equation (1). The scheme of the machine experiment is shown in fig. 1.

The two-stage GC simulator was a block for integrating the differential equation (1), taking into account the change in the kinetic momentum according to the law (2). Integration was performed at the following numerical values of parameters: $J=1,1607 \cdot 10^{-3}$, Hms²; $\Omega_e = 3,65 \cdot 10^{-5}$, s⁻¹; $H_m=0,432$, Hms; $\lambda = 2,15 \cdot 10^{-3}$, s⁻¹ and given initial conditions $\alpha_0 = 3,69\pi/540$, rad; $\alpha_0' = 4,08 \cdot 10^{-4}$, s⁻¹. The mathematical model of the GC was a similar block of integration of the same equation (1) with the same values of parameters, but the initial conditions of the GC PE motion were unknown. The range of their variation was set as follows: $\alpha_0 \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{60}; +\frac{\pi}{60}\right)$, rad; $\alpha_0' \in (-6; +6) \cdot 10^{-4}$, s⁻¹. In the first approximation, the

step when changing the parameter α_0 was chosen $\Delta\alpha_0 = \frac{\pi}{540}$, rad; and the step when changing the parameter $\dot{\alpha}_0$ was chosen $\Delta\dot{\alpha}_0 = 10^{-4}$, s^{-1} . For each pair of parameters α_0 and $\dot{\alpha}_0$ ($13 \cdot 19 = 247$ combinations), the result of integration of the mathematical model was compared according to the least-squares method with the behavior of the GC simulator on the interval $t=0/200$ sec with step $\Delta t=1$ sec [10]. The "unrelatedness" is presented in tab. 1.

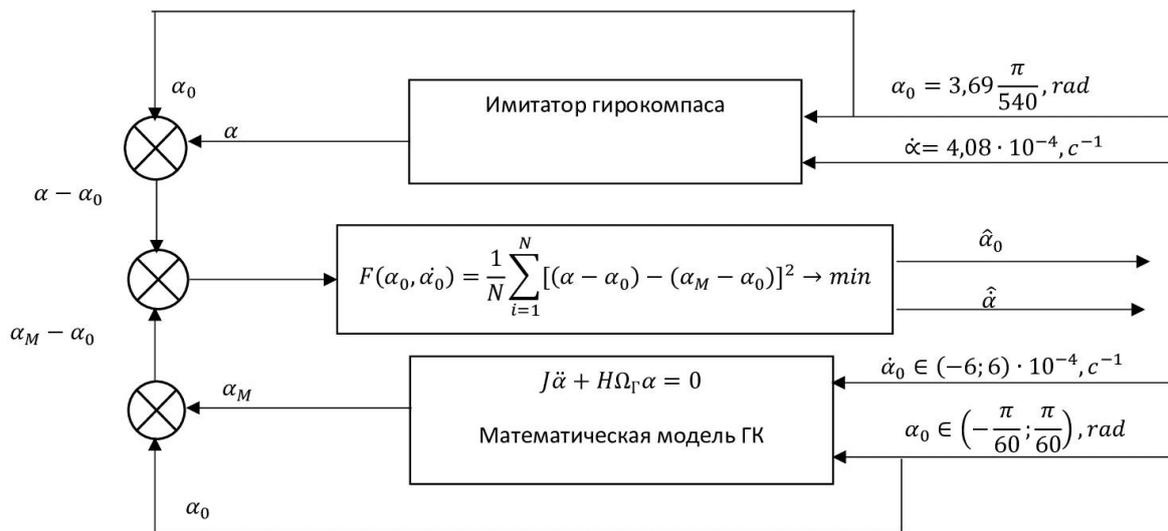


Fig. 1. Diagram of a machine experiment

Table 1.

Table of "unrelatedness". Identifiable parameters – α_0 and $\dot{\alpha}_0$.
First approximation $F(\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0) * 10^{-3}, rad^2$

	$\dot{\alpha}_0 * 10^{-4}, c^{-1}$												
	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
-9	41,8	41,6	41,4	41,2	41,1	40,9	40,7	40,6	40,5	40,3	40,2	40,1	40,0
-8	38,7	38,5	38,3	38,1	37,9	37,7	37,6	37,4	37,3	37,2	37,0	36,9	36,8
-7	35,5	35,3	35,1	34,9	34,7	34,6	34,4	34,3	34,1	34,0	33,9	33,8	33,7
-6	32,4	32,2	32,0	31,8	31,6	31,4	31,2	31,1	30,9	30,8	30,7	30,6	30,5
-5	29,3	29,1	28,8	28,6	28,4	25,1	28,1	27,9	27,8	27,6	27,5	27,4	27,3
-4	26,2	26,1	25,7	25,5	25,3	25,1	24,9	24,8	24,6	24,5	24,3	24,2	24,1
-3	23,2	22,9	22,6	22,4	22,2	22,0	21,8	21,6	21,4	21,3	21,2	21,1	21,0
-2	20,1	19,8	19,5	19,3	19,0	18,8	18,6	18,4	18,3	18,1	18,0	17,9	17,8
-1	17,2	16,8	16,5	16,2	16,0	15,7	15,5	15,3	15,1	15,0	14,8	14,7	14,6
0	14,3	13,9	13,5	13,2	12,9	12,6	12,4	12,1	12,0	11,8	11,7	11,6	11,5
1	14,3	11,1	10,7	10,3	9,9	9,6	9,3	9,0	8,8	8,6	8,5	8,4	8,3
2	9,3	8,7	8,2	7,6	7,1	6,7	6,3	6,0	5,7	5,5	5,3	5,2	5,2
3	7,5	6,9	6,3	5,6	5,0	4,4	3,8	3,2	2,7	2,4	2,1	2,1	2,2
4	5,9	5,3	4,7	4,1	3,5	2,9	2,3	1,8	1,3	1,0	0,9751	1,2	1,7

	$\dot{\alpha}_0 * 10^{-4}, \text{c}^{-1}$												
	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
5	6,3	5,9	5,5	5,1	4,8	4,5	4,3	4,1	4,0	4,0	4,1	4,2	4,5
6	8,3	8,1	7,8	7,6	7,4	7,3	7,2	7,1	7,1	7,2	7,3	7,4	7,6
7	10,9	10,7	10,6	10,5	10,4	10,3	10,3	10,3	10,3	10,3	10,4	10,6	10,7
8	13,7	13,6	13,5	13,4	13,4	13,4	13,4	13,4	13,4	13,5	13,6	13,7	13,9
9	16,7	16,6	16,5	16,5	16,5	16,5	16,5	16,5	16,6	16,7	16,8	16,9	17,0

As can be seen from Table 1, the smallest value of unrelatedness, equal to $F_1(\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0) = 0,9751 * 10^{-3}, \text{rad}^2$ occurs in the case of $\alpha_0 = 4\pi/540, \text{rad}$; and $\dot{\alpha}_0 = 4 * 10^{-4}, \text{s}^{-1}$. Further, near the point with the minimum "unrelatedness" $F_1(\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0)$ the range was chosen $\alpha_0 \in (3,0\pi/540; +5,9\pi/540), \text{rad}$, and $\dot{\alpha}_0 \in (3,0; 5,9) * 10^{-4}, \text{s}^{-1}$, stepom $\Delta\alpha_0 = 0,1\pi/540, \text{rad}$; and $\Delta\dot{\alpha}_0 = 10^{-5}, \text{s}^{-1}$ was calculated in the second approximation. Its minimum value was $F_2(\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0) = 0,362 * 10^{-4}, \text{rad}^2$ at $\alpha_0 = 3,7\pi/540, \text{rad}$; and $\dot{\alpha}_0 = 4,1 * 10^{-4}, \text{s}^{-1}$. In the third approximation the range was calculated $\alpha_0 \in (3,60\pi/540; 3,79\pi/540), \text{s}$ Stepom $\Delta\alpha_0 = 0,01\pi/540, \text{rad}$, и $\dot{\alpha}_0 \in (4,00; 4,29) * 10^{-4}, \text{s}^{-1}$, with stepom $\Delta\dot{\alpha}_0 = 10^{-6}, \text{s}^{-1}$. «Unrelatedness» $F_3(\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0)$ in the third approximation within the chosen calculation accuracy is absent at $\alpha_0 = 3,69\pi/540, \text{rad}$; and $\dot{\alpha}_0 = 4,08 * 10^{-4}, \text{s}^{-1}$. The coincidence of the parameters α_0 and $\dot{\alpha}_0$ found in the process of identification with the specified initial conditions at the input of the GC simulator testifies to the operability of the proposed methodology.

The above-mentioned methodology of meridian determination assumes that the parameters H_m and λ , which characterize the process of natural rotor stopping, are known. In order to provide the mentioned condition, it is necessary to transfer the information about the current rotor speed from PE to the device body during the whole measurement interval, which imposes additional mechanical perturbations on the motion of the sensing element. Therefore, such variant of the proposed technique is interesting: the latter is measured in the characterized position of the PE, the value of the angular velocity of rotation of the rotor, which uniquely determines the initial value H_m of the kinetic momentum during its natural stopping, and the coefficient λ is determined by its identification along with the initial conditions α_0 и $\dot{\alpha}_0$. Let's simulate the proposed variant: let's assume that in the mathematical model of GC, in addition to the initial conditions α_0 and $\dot{\alpha}_0$ there is a third unknown parameter, λ . We set the range of possible deviations λ within 50%, i.e. approximately $\lambda \in (1,00; 3,00) * 10^{-3}, \text{s}^{-1}$. Let us find the minimum value of the "unrelatedness" $F_1(\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0, \lambda)$ by comparing the simulator and mathematical model motion for such ($13 * 19 * 21 = 5187$ combinations) parameter values:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1) \quad & \alpha_0 \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{60}; +\frac{\pi}{60} \right), \text{s} \quad \text{stepom } \Delta\alpha_0 = \frac{\pi}{540}, \text{rad}; \\
 2) \quad & \dot{\alpha}_0 \in (-6; +6) * 10^{-4}, \text{s}^{-1} \quad \Delta\dot{\alpha}_0 = 10^{-4}, \text{s}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{1}$$

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3) $\lambda \in (1.00; 3.00) \cdot 10^{-3}, s^{-1}$ шагом $\Delta\lambda = 0,1 \cdot 10^{-3}, s^{-1}$.

We got a minimum of "unrelatedness" $\Phi_1(\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0, \lambda) = 0,9718 \cdot 10^{-3}, rad^2$ with parameter values $\alpha_0 = 4\pi/540, rad; \dot{\alpha}_0 = 4 \cdot 10^{-4}, s^{-1}; \lambda = 2,2 \cdot 10^{-3}, s^{-1}$. We search for the minimum in the vicinity of this point, i.e. we carry out the second and then the third approximation, as we did in the case of searching for the minimum by two parameters α_0 and $\dot{\alpha}_0$. The resulting data is summarized in a tab. 2.

Table 2.

Finding the minimum for the three identifiable parameters $\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0,$ and λ

	Parameters			«Unrelatedness», rad ²
	α_0, rad	$\dot{\alpha}_0, s^{-1}$	λ, s^{-1}	
First approximation				
Range	$(-9; +9)\pi/540$	$(-6; +6) \cdot 10^{-4}$	$(1,0; 3,0) \cdot 10^{-3}$	
Step	$\pi/540$	10^{-4}	10^{-4}	
The "best" score	$4\pi/540$	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2,2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0,9718 \cdot 10^{-3}$
Second approximation				
Range	$(3;5)\pi/540$	$(3;5) \cdot 10^{-4}$	$(2.1; 2,3) \cdot 10^{-3}$	
Step	$0,1 \cdot \pi/540$	10^{-5}	10^{-5}	
The "best" score	$3,7\pi/540$	$4,1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2,14 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0,362 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Third approximation				
Range	$(3,6; 3,8)\pi/540$	$(4,01; 4,20) \cdot 10^{-4}$	$(2,131; 2,160) \cdot 10^{-3}$	
Step	$0,01 \cdot \pi/540$	10^{-6}	10^{-6}	
The "best" score	$3,69\pi/540$	$4,08 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2,150 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0,0

Analysis of table 2 shows that the proposed methodology can also be applied in the case where the value of the coefficient λ is unknown; it, as well as the initial conditions of motion α_0 и $\dot{\alpha}_0$ can be identified by observing the azimuthal motion of the GC PE.

However, an ideal option would be to abandon the measurement of the initial value H_m of the value of the kinetic momentum of the HK, and replace the measurement with the identification of the specified parameter. In this case, the construction of the device would be significantly simplified, since there would be no need for its electrical part. Let us simulate the measurement process in this case. Let us assume that the initial value of kinetic momentum H_m may differ from the declared value for the given gyro-motor up to 25%, i.e. lies in the range $H_m \in (0,34; 0,54), Nms$. Let's carry out the procedure of searching for the min-

imum of "unconformity" of the output signal of the simulator and the mathematical model of the HK in the conditions when there is no information about the exact values of the parameters α_0 , $\dot{\alpha}_0$, λ и H_m . Let us make three approximations in accordance with the methodology outlined above. The results of the four parameter identification procedure are summarized in table 3.

Table 3.

Finding the minimum for the four identifiable parameters α_0 , $\dot{\alpha}_0$, λ и H_m

	Parameters				«Unrelatedness», rad ²
	α_0 , rad	$\dot{\alpha}_0$, s ⁻¹	λ , s ⁻¹	H_m , s ⁻¹	
First approximation					
Range	$(-9;+9)\pi/540$	$(-6;+6)*10^{-4}$	$(1,0; 3,0)*10^{-3}$	$(0,34; 0,54)$	0,974*10 ⁻³
Step	$\pi/540$	10^{-4}	10^{-4}	10^{-2}	
The "best" score	$4\pi/540$	$4*10^{-4}$	$2,2*10^{-3}$	0,43	
Second approximation					
Range	$(3;5)\pi/540$	$(3;5)*10^{-4}$	$(2,1; 2,3)*10^{-3}$	$(0,42; 0,44)$	0,362*10 ⁻⁴
Step	$0,1*\pi/540$	10^{-5}	10^{-5}	10^{-3}	
The "best" score	$3,7\pi/540$	$4,1*10^{-4}$	$2,14*10^{-3}$	0,432	
Third approximation					
Range	$(3,6; 3,8)\pi/540$	$(4,01;4,2)*10^{-4}$	$(2,131; 2,160)*10^{-3}$	$(0,431;0,433)$	0,0
Step	$0,01*\pi/540$	10^{-6}	10^{-6}	10^{-4}	
The "best" score	$3,69\pi/540$	$4,08*10^{-4}$	$2,150*10^{-3}$	0,4320	

As can be seen from table 3, the position of the geographic meridian plane by two-step GC can also be found when four parameters – the initial conditions – are unknown before the start of measurement α_0 и $\dot{\alpha}_0$ motion of the PM of the GC and the parameters λ and H_m , which characterize the process of natural stopping of the rotor. This is evidenced by almost complete coincidence of the parameters found as a result of identification with their set values, as well as "zero" value of the "misalignment" obtained in the third approximation.

Conclusions

1. The paper considers an automatic two-step gyrocompass, which allows to determine the plane of geographic meridian by information about the current position of the sensitive element of GC in the azimuth. It is proposed to analyze the movement of PE in the mode when the angular velocity of the rotor of the device naturally decreases (the rotor is stopped). The choice of such mode is not accidental. It can significantly reduce the time of measurements,

- because the implementation of pulse acceleration of the rotor will allow to refuse the traditional operation of acceleration of the rotor, which requires a certain time. Besides, information gathering in the process of natural stopping of the rotor will allow to refuse in principle from mechanical connection between PE and the body of the device, which will lead to increase of accuracy of measurements.
2. The paper discusses three sets of parameters to be identified:- two unknowns: the initial conditions of motion α_0 и $\dot{\alpha}_0$. The initial value H_m of the HC kinetic momentum is measured at the time of PE disentanglement, and the decay index λ of the exponential function is calculated on the basis of the analysis of the current measured values $H=H(t)$ kinetic momentum;- the unknowns are three: α_0 and $\dot{\alpha}_0$ and the decay index λ of the exponential function. The current values of $H=H(t)$ of the kinetic momentum are not measured, except for the initial value of H_m at the moment of PE disarticulation;- there are four unknowns: the initial conditions of motion α_0 and $\dot{\alpha}_0$, the decay parameter λ of the exponential function and the initial value H_m of the kinetic momentum. It is shown that, in all three cases mentioned above, it is possible to identify the corresponding unknown parameters, and, first of all, the initial condition α_0 of motion along the coordinate, by observing only the azimuthal motion of the HQ PE.
 3. Machine simulation of the proposed algorithms for processing the information on the azimuthal motion of PE, confirmed the performance of the proposed methodology.

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