1044-70-210 Cameron Lynch and Dmitry Zenkov* (dvzenkov@ncsu.edu), Department of Mathematics, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 27695. Stability of Relative Equilibria of Nonholonomic Integrators.

Nonholonomic integrators are discrete-time analogues of nonholonomic mechanical systems. Conditions for partial asymptotic stability of relative equilibria of nonholonomic integrators with symmetry are established. For integrators obtained by discretization of continuous-time dynamics, stability conditions are compared to those of the associated continuoustime systems. The results are then illustrated with a stability analysis of the discrete roller racer. (Received September 02, 2008)