Probabilistic Robotics

Bayes Filter Implementations

Gaussian filters

Bayes Filter Reminder



$$Bel(x_{t}) = P(x_{t} | u_{1}, z_{1}, ..., u_{t}, z_{t})$$
Bayes $= \eta P(z_{t} | x_{t}, u_{1}, z_{1}, ..., u_{t}) P(x_{t} | u_{1}, z_{1}, ..., u_{t})$
Markov $= \eta P(z_{t} | x_{t}) P(x_{t} | u_{1}, z_{1}, ..., u_{t})$
Total prob. $= \eta P(z_{t} | x_{t}) \int P(x_{t} | u_{1}, z_{1}, ..., u_{t}, x_{t-1}) P(x_{t-1} | u_{1}, z_{1}, ..., u_{t}) dx_{t-1}$
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$Bel(x_t) = \eta P(z_t | x_t) \int P(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) Bel(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$

- 1. Algorithm **Bayes_filter**($Bel(x_{t-1}), u_t, z_t$):
- **2.** For all x_t do

3.
$$\overline{bel}(x_t) = \int p(x_t \mid u_t, \underline{x_{t-1}}) bel(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$$

4.
$$bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t | x_t) bel(x_t)$$

- 5. endfor
- 6. Return $bel(x_t)$

Bayes Filter Reminder

Prediction

$$\overline{bel}(x_t) = \int p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) bel(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$$

Correction

$$bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t \mid x_t) \overline{bel}(x_t)$$

Gaussians

$$p(x) \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2):$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

Univariate



$$p(\mathbf{x}) \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}):$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^t \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

Multivariate



Properties of Gaussians

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \\ Y = aX + b$$
 $\Rightarrow Y \sim N(a\mu + b, a^2 \sigma^2)$

$$X_{1} \sim N(\mu_{1}, \sigma_{1}^{2}) \\ X_{2} \sim N(\mu_{2}, \sigma_{2}^{2}) \} \Rightarrow p(X_{1}) \cdot p(X_{2}) \sim N\left(\frac{\sigma_{2}^{2}}{\sigma_{1}^{2} + \sigma_{2}^{2}} \mu_{1} + \frac{\sigma_{1}^{2}}{\sigma_{1}^{2} + \sigma_{2}^{2}} \mu_{2}, \frac{1}{\sigma_{1}^{-2} + \sigma_{2}^{-2}}\right)$$

Multivariate Gaussians

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \\ Y = AX + B \end{array} \right\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad Y \sim N(A\mu + B, A\Sigma A^T)$$

$$X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \Sigma_1) \\ X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \Sigma_2) \} \Rightarrow p(X_1) \cdot p(X_2) \sim N\left(\frac{\Sigma_2}{\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2}\mu_1 + \frac{\Sigma_1}{\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2}\mu_2, \frac{1}{\Sigma_1^{-1} + \Sigma_2^{-1}}\right)$$

 We stay in the "Gaussian world" as long as we start with Gaussians and perform only linear transformations.

Kalman Filter

Estimates the state *x* of a discrete-time controlled process that is governed by the linear stochastic difference equation

$$x_t = A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t + \varepsilon_t$$

with a measurement

$$z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t$$

Components of a Kalman Filter



Matrix (nxn) that describes how the state evolves from *t*-1 to *t* without controls or noise.



Matrix (nxl) that describes how the control u_t changes the state from t-1 to t.



Matrix (kxn) that describes how to map the state x_t to an observation z_t .



 δ_{i}

Random variables representing the process and measurement noise that are assumed to be independent and normally distributed with covariance R_t and Q_t respectively.

Kalman Filter Updates in 1D





Kalman Filter Updates in 1D

$$bel(x_t) = \begin{cases} \mu_t = \overline{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - \overline{\mu}_t) \\ \sigma_t^2 = (1 - K_t)\overline{\sigma}_t^2 \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad K_t = \frac{\overline{\sigma}_t^2}{\overline{\sigma}_t^2 + \overline{\sigma}_{obs,t}^2} \end{cases}$$

$$bel(x_t) = \begin{cases} \mu_t = \overline{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - C_t \overline{\mu}_t) \\ \Sigma_t = (I - K_t C_t) \overline{\Sigma}_t \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad K_t = \overline{\Sigma}_t C_t^T (C_t \overline{\Sigma}_t C_t^T + Q_t)^{-1} \end{cases}$$



Kalman Filter Updates in 1D

$$\overline{bel}(x_t) = \begin{cases} \overline{\mu}_t = a_t \mu_{t-1} + b_t u_t \\ \overline{\sigma}_t^2 = a_t^2 \sigma_t^2 + \sigma_{act,t}^2 \end{cases}$$







Kalman Filter Updates



Linear Gaussian Systems: Initialization

Initial belief is normally distributed:

$$bel(x_0) = N(x_0; \mu_0, \Sigma_0)$$

Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

 Dynamics are linear function of state and control plus additive noise:

$$x_t = A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t + \varepsilon_t$$

$$p(x_t \mid u_t, x_{t-1}) = N(x_t; A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t, R_t)$$

Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{bel}(x_{t}) &= \int p(x_{t} \mid u_{t}, x_{t-1}) & bel(x_{t-1}) \, dx_{t-1} \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ & \sim N(x_{t}; A_{t}x_{t-1} + B_{t}u_{t}, R_{t}) & \sim N(x_{t-1}; \mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}) \\ & \downarrow \\ \hline \overline{bel}(x_{t}) &= \eta \int \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(x_{t} - A_{t}x_{t-1} - B_{t}u_{t})^{T} R_{t}^{-1}(x_{t} - A_{t}x_{t-1} - B_{t}u_{t})\right\} \\ & \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1})^{T} \Sigma_{t-1}^{-1}(x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1})\right\} \, dx_{t-1} \\ \hline \overline{bel}(x_{t}) &= \left\{\overline{\mu}_{t} = A_{t}\mu_{t-1} + B_{t}u_{t} \\ \overline{\Sigma}_{t} = A_{t}\Sigma_{t-1}A_{t}^{T} + R_{t} \right. \end{aligned}$$

Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

 Observations are linear function of state plus additive noise:

$$z_{t} = C_{t}x_{t} + \delta_{t}$$

$$p(z_{t} | x_{t}) = N(z_{t}; C_{t}x_{t}, Q_{t})$$

Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

$$bel(x_{t}) = \eta \quad p(z_{t} \mid x_{t}) \qquad \overline{bel}(x_{t})$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\sim N(z_{t}; C_{t}x_{t}, Q_{t}) \sim N(x_{t}; \overline{\mu}_{t}, \overline{\Sigma}_{t})$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$bel(x_{t}) = \eta \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(z_{t} - C_{t}x_{t})^{T}Q_{t}^{-1}(z_{t} - C_{t}x_{t})\right\} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(x_{t} - \overline{\mu}_{t})^{T}\overline{\Sigma}_{t}^{-1}(x_{t} - \overline{\mu}_{t})\right\}$$

$$bel(x_{t}) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu_{t} = \overline{\mu}_{t} + K_{t}(z_{t} - C_{t}\overline{\mu}_{t}) \\ \Sigma_{t} = (I - K_{t}C_{t})\overline{\Sigma}_{t} \end{array} \right. \text{ with } K_{t} = \overline{\Sigma}_{t}C_{t}^{T}(C_{t}\overline{\Sigma}_{t}C_{t}^{T} + Q_{t})^{-1}$$

Kalman Filter Algorithm

- 1. Algorithm Kalman_filter($\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t$):
- 2. Prediction:

$$3. \qquad \mu_t = A_t \mu_{t-1} + B_t u_t$$

$$\mathbf{4.} \qquad \overline{\Sigma}_t = A_t \Sigma_{t-1} A_t^T + R_t$$

5. Correction:

$$6. K_t = \overline{\Sigma}_t C_t^T (C_t \overline{\Sigma}_t C_t^T + Q_t)^{-1}$$

7.
$$\mu_t = \mu_t + K_t(z_t - C_t \mu_t)$$

- **8.** $\Sigma_t = (I K_t C_t) \overline{\Sigma}_t$
- 9. Return μ_{t} , Σ_t

The Prediction-Correction-Cycle



$\overline{bel}(x_t) = \begin{cases} \overline{\mu}_t = a_t \mu_{t-1} + b_t \mu_t \\ \overline{\sigma}_t^2 = a_t^2 \sigma_t^2 + \sigma_{act,t}^2 \end{cases}$	t
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Prediction



The Prediction-Correction-Cycle



The Prediction-Correction-Cycle





Kalman Filter Summary

- Highly efficient: Polynomial in measurement dimensionality k and state dimensionality n: $O(k^{2.376} + n^2)$
- Optimal for linear Gaussian systems!
- Most robotics systems are nonlinear!

Nonlinear Dynamic Systems

 Most realistic robotic problems involve nonlinear functions

$$x_t = g(u_t, x_{t-1})$$

$$z_t = h(x_t)$$

Linearity Assumption Revisited



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Non-linear Function



EKF Linearization (1)



EKF Linearization (2)



EKF Linearization (3)



EKF Linearization: First Order Taylor Series Expansion

• Prediction:

 $g(u_t, x_{t-1}) \approx g(u_t, \mu_{t-1}) + \frac{\partial g(u_t, \mu_{t-1})}{\partial x_{t-1}} (x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1})$ $g(u_t, x_{t-1}) \approx g(u_t, \mu_{t-1}) + G_t (x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1})$

• Correction:

$$h(x_t) \approx h(\overline{\mu}_t) + \frac{\partial h(\overline{\mu}_t)}{\partial x_t} (x_t - \overline{\mu}_t)$$
$$h(x_t) \approx h(\overline{\mu}_t) + H_t (x_t - \overline{\mu}_t)$$

EKF Algorithm

- **1. Extended_Kalman_filter**($\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t$):
- 2. Prediction: **3.** $\overline{\mu}_t = g(u_t, \mu_{t-1})$ $\longleftarrow \mu_t = A_t \mu_{t-1} + B_t u_t$ 5. Correction: 6. $K_t = \overline{\Sigma}_t H_t^T (H_t \overline{\Sigma}_t H_t^T + Q_t)^{-1} \quad \longleftarrow \quad K_t = \overline{\Sigma}_t C_t^T (C_t \overline{\Sigma}_t C_t^T + Q_t)^{-1}$ 7. $\mu_t = \overline{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - h(\overline{\mu}_t))$ $(\mu_t = \mu_t + K_t(z_t - C_t \mu_t))$ 8. $\Sigma_t = (I - K_t H_t) \Sigma_t$ $\longleftarrow \Sigma_t = (I - K_t C_t) \Sigma_t$ 9. Return μ_t , Σ_t $H_{t} = \frac{\partial h(\overline{\mu}_{t})}{\partial x_{t}} \qquad G_{t} = \frac{\partial g(u_{t}, \mu_{t-1})}{\partial x_{t-1}}$