

ECE276A: Sensing & Estimation in Robotics

Lecture 13: Kalman Filtering

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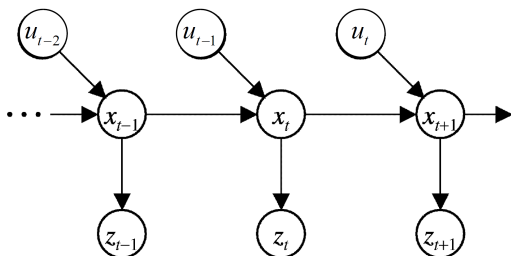
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Filtering Problem

- ▶ The Markov assumptions are used to decompose the joint pdf of the states $x_{0:T}$, observations $z_{0:T}$, and controls $u_{0:T-1}$



- ▶ **Joint distribution:**

$$p(x_{0:T}, z_{0:T}, u_{0:T-1}) = \underbrace{p_{0|-1}(x_0)}_{\text{prior}} \prod_{t=0}^{T-1} \underbrace{p_h(z_t | x_t)}_{\text{observation model}} \prod_{t=1}^T \underbrace{p_f(x_t | x_{t-1}, u_{t-1})}_{\text{motion model}}$$

- ▶ **Filtering:** keeps track of

$$p_{t|t}(x_t) := p(x_t | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1})$$
$$p_{t+1|t}(x_{t+1}) := p(x_{t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})$$

- ▶ **Smoothing:** keeps track of

$$p_{t|t}(x_{0:t}) := p(x_{0:t} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1})$$
$$p_{t+1|t}(x_{0:t+1}) := p(x_{0:t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})$$

Bayes Filter Summary

- ▶ **Prior:** $x_t \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1} \sim p_{t|t}(\cdot)$
- ▶ **Motion model:** $x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t, w_t) \sim p_f(\cdot \mid x_t, u_t)$
- ▶ **Observation model:** $z_t = h(x_t, v_t) \sim p_h(\cdot \mid x_t)$
- ▶ **Prediction:** $p_{t+1|t}(x) = \int p_f(x \mid s, u_t) p_{t|t}(s) ds$
- ▶ **Update:** $p_{t+1|t+1}(x) = \frac{p_h(z_{t+1}|x) p_{t+1|t}(x)}{\int p_h(z_{t+1}|s) p_{t+1|t}(s) ds}$

Kalman Filter

- ▶ A **Kalman filter** is a Bayes filter for which:
 - ▶ The prior pdf $p_{0|0}$ is Gaussian
 - ▶ The motion model is linear in the state and affected by Gaussian noise
 - ▶ The observation model is linear in the state and affected by Gaussian noise
 - ▶ The process noise w_t and measurement noise v_t are independent of each other, of the state x_t , and across time
- ▶ **Prior:** $x_t \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t|t}, \Sigma_{t|t})$

- ▶ **Motion Model:**

$$x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t, w_t) := Fx_t + Gu_t + w_t, \quad w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, W)$$

$$x_{t+1} \mid x_t, u_t \sim \mathcal{N}(Fx_t + Gu_t, W), \quad F \in \mathbb{R}^{d_x \times d_x}, G \in \mathbb{R}^{d_x \times d_u}, W \in \mathbb{R}^{d_x \times d_x}$$

- ▶ **Observation Model:**

$$z_t = h(x_t, v_t) := Hx_t + v_t, \quad v_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, V)$$

$$z_t \mid x_t \sim \mathcal{N}(Hx_t, V), \quad H \in \mathbb{R}^{d_z \times d_x}, V \in \mathbb{R}^{d_z \times d_z}$$

Gaussian Distribution Properties

- ▶ **Stable distributon**: a linear combination $aX_1 + bX_2$ of two independent copies of a random variable X has the same distribution as $cX + d$ up to location d and scale $c > 0$ parameters
- ▶ The Gaussian distribution is stable, i.e., the space of Gaussian pdfs is **closed under convolution**:

$$\int \phi(x; Fs, W)\phi(s; \mu, \Sigma)ds = \phi\left(x; F\mu, F\Sigma F^T + W\right)$$

- ▶ The space of Gaussian pdfs is **closed under geometric averages** (up to scaling):

$$\prod_k \phi^{\alpha_k}(x; \mu_k, \Sigma_k) \propto \phi\left(x; \left(\sum_k \alpha_k \Sigma_k^{-1}\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_k \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k\right), \left(\sum_k \alpha_k \Sigma_k^{-1}\right)^{-1}\right)$$

Gaussian Marginals and Conditionals

- ▶ Consider a **joint Gaussian distribution**:

$$x := \begin{pmatrix} x_A \\ x_B \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mu_A \\ \mu_B \end{pmatrix}}_{\mu}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{AA} & \Sigma_{AB} \\ \Sigma_{AB}^T & \Sigma_{BB} \end{bmatrix}}_{\Sigma} \right)$$

- ▶ The **marginal distribution** is also Gaussian:

$$x_A \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_A, \Sigma_{AA})$$

- ▶ The **conditional distribution** is also Gaussian:

$$x_B | x_A \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\mu_B + \Sigma_{AB}^T \Sigma_{AA}^{-1} (x_A - \mu_A), \underbrace{\Sigma_{BB} - \Sigma_{AB}^T \Sigma_{AA}^{-1} \Sigma_{AB}}_{\text{Schur complement of } \Sigma_{AA}} \right)$$

Matrix Manipulation

- ▶ The main tools for proving the previous results and for deriving the Kalman filter are:

- ▶ **Matrix inversion lemma:**

$$(A + BDC)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(D^{-1} + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1}$$

- ▶ **Matrix block inversion:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (A - BD^{-1}C)^{-1} & -(A - BD^{-1}C)^{-1}BD^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}C(A - BD^{-1}C)^{-1} & D^{-1} + D^{-1}C(A - BD^{-1}C)^{-1}BD^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ **Square completion:**

$$\frac{1}{2}x^T Ax + b^T x + c = \frac{1}{2}(x + A^{-1}b)^T A(x + A^{-1}b) - \frac{1}{2}b^T A^{-1}b + c$$

Information Space

- ▶ Natural parameterization of a Gaussian distribution: $x \sim \mathcal{G}(\nu, \Omega)$
- ▶ **Information mean:** $\nu = \Sigma^{-1}\mu$
- ▶ **Information matrix:** $\Omega := \begin{bmatrix} \Omega_{AA} & \Omega_{AB} \\ \Omega_{AB}^T & \Omega_{BB} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{AA} & \Sigma_{AB} \\ \Sigma_{AB}^T & \Sigma_{BB} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$

$$\Omega_{AA} = (\Sigma_{AA} - \Sigma_{AB}\Sigma_{BB}^{-1}\Sigma_{AB}^T)^{-1}$$

$$\Omega_{AB} = -\Omega_{AA}\Sigma_{AB}\Sigma_{BB}^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{BB} &= \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} + \Sigma_{BB}^{-1}\Sigma_{AB}^T\Omega_{AA}\Sigma_{AB}\Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \\ &= (\Sigma_{BB} - \Sigma_{AB}^T\Sigma_{AA}^{-1}\Sigma_{AB})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Gaussian Marginal

► Let $\tilde{x}_A := x_A - \mu_A$ and $\tilde{x}_B := x_B - \mu_B$ and consider:

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x_A) &= \int \phi \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_A \\ x_B \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} \mu_A \\ \mu_B \end{pmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{AA} & \Sigma_{AB} \\ \Sigma_{AB}^T & \Sigma_{BB} \end{bmatrix} \right) dx_B \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n+m}{2}} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \int \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AA} \tilde{x}_A + 2\tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AB} \tilde{x}_B + \tilde{x}_B^T \Omega_{BB} \tilde{x}_B \right) \right) dx_B \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Sq. Comp.}}{=} \kappa \int \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left[(\tilde{x}_B + \Omega_{BB}^{-1} \Omega_{AB}^T \tilde{x}_A)^T \Omega_{BB} (\tilde{x}_B + \Omega_{BB}^{-1} \Omega_{AB}^T \tilde{x}_A) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - \tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AB} \Omega_{BB}^{-1} \Omega_{AB}^T \tilde{x}_A + \tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AA} \tilde{x}_A \right] \right) dx_B \\
 &\stackrel{\int \phi(x; \mu, \Sigma) dx = 1}{\Sigma_{AA}^{-1} = \Omega_{AA} - \Omega_{AB} \Omega_{BB}^{-1} \Omega_{AB}^T}}{=} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma_{AA}|^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \tilde{x}_A^T \Sigma_{AA}^{-1} \tilde{x}_A \right) \\
 &\Rightarrow \boxed{x_A \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_A, \Sigma_{AA})}
 \end{aligned}$$

Gaussian Conditional

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_A | x_B) &= \frac{p(x_A, x_B)}{p(x_B)} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{n+m}|\Sigma|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^m |\Sigma_{BB}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x_B - \mu_B)^T \Sigma_{BB}^{-1}(x_B - \mu_B)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n |\Sigma| / |\Sigma_{BB}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}((x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu) - (x_B - \mu_B)^T \Sigma_{BB}^{-1}(x_B - \mu_B))} \end{aligned}$$

► Consider the exponent:

$$\begin{aligned} &\tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AA} \tilde{x}_A + \tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AB} \tilde{x}_B + \tilde{x}_B^T \Omega_{AB}^T \tilde{x}_A + \tilde{x}_B^T \Omega_{BB} \tilde{x}_B - \tilde{x}_B^T \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \tilde{x}_B \\ &= \tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AA} \tilde{x}_A - 2\tilde{x}_A^T \Omega_{AA} \Sigma_{AB} \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \tilde{x}_B + \tilde{x}_B^T \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \Sigma_{AB}^T \Omega_{AA} \Sigma_{AB} \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \tilde{x}_B \\ &= (\tilde{x}_A - \Sigma_{AB} \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \tilde{x}_B)^T \Omega_{AA} (\tilde{x}_A - \Sigma_{AB} \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \tilde{x}_B) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x_A | x_B \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\mu_A + \Sigma_{AB} \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} (x_B - \mu_B), \Sigma_{AA} - \Sigma_{AB} \Sigma_{BB}^{-1} \Sigma_{AB}^T \right)}$$

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Kalman Filter Prediction

$$\begin{aligned} p_{t+1|t}(x) &= \int p_f(x | s, u_t) p_{t|t}(s) ds = \int \phi(x; Fs + Gu_t, W) \phi(s; \mu_{t|t}, \Sigma_{t|t}) ds \\ &= \kappa_{t|t} \int \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x - Fs - Gu_t)^T W^{-1} (x - Fs - Gu_t) \right\} \times \\ &\quad \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (s - \mu_{t|t})^T \Sigma_{t|t}^{-1} (s - \mu_{t|t}) \right\} ds \\ &= \kappa_{t|t} \int \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(s^T (F^T W^{-1} F + \Sigma_{t|t}^{-1}) s - 2(\Sigma_{t|t}^{-1} \mu_{t|t} + F^T W^{-1} (x - Gu_t))^T s + \dots \right) \right\} ds \\ &\stackrel{\text{Sq. Comp.}}{\stackrel{\text{Inv. Lemma}}{=}} \phi(x; F\mu_{t|t} + Gu_t, F\Sigma_{t|t}F^T + W) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{t+1|t}(x) &= \int \phi(x; Fs + Gu_t, W) \phi(s; \mu_{t|t}, \Sigma_{t|t}) ds \\ &= \phi(x; F\mu_{t|t} + Gu_t, F\Sigma_{t|t}F^T + W) \end{aligned}$$

Kalman Filter Prediction (easy version)

- ▶ Motion model with given prior:

$$x_{t+1} = Fx_t + Gu_t + w_t, \quad w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, W), \quad x_t \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t|t}, \Sigma_{t|t})$$

- ▶ Since w_t and x_t are independent and the Gaussian distribution is stable, we know that the distribution of x_{t+1} is Gaussian: $\mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|t}, \Sigma_{t+1|t})$
- ▶ We just need to compute its mean and covariance:

$$\mu_{t+1|t} = \mathbb{E}[Fx_t + Gu_t + w_t] = F\mathbb{E}[x_t] + Gu_t + \mathbb{E}[w_t] = F\mu_{t|t} + Gu_t$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_{t+1|t} &= \mathbf{Var}[Fx_t + Gu_t + w_t] \stackrel{\text{independence}}{=} \mathbf{Var}[Fx_t] + 0 + \mathbf{Var}[w_t] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left[F(x_t - \mu_{t|t})(x_t - \mu_{t|t})^T F^T\right] + W \\ &= F\Sigma_{t|t}F^T + W\end{aligned}$$

Kalman Filter Update

$$\begin{aligned} p_{t+1|t+1}(x) &= \frac{p(z_{t+1} | x) p_{t+1|t}(x)}{p(z_{t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})} = \frac{\phi(z_{t+1}; Hx, V) \phi(x; \mu_{t+1|t}, \Sigma_{t+1|t})}{\int \phi(z_{t+1}; Hs, V) \phi(s; \mu_{t+1|t}, \Sigma_{t+1|t}) ds} \\ &= \frac{\kappa_{t+1}}{\eta_{t+1}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (z_{t+1} - Hx)^T V^{-1} (z_{t+1} - Hx) \right\} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_{t+1|t})^T \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{-1} (x - \mu_{t+1|t}) \right\} \\ &= \frac{\kappa_{t+1}}{\eta_{t+1}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(x^T (H^T V^{-1} H + \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{-1}) x + (H^T V^{-1} z_{t+1} + \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{-1} \mu_{t+1|t})^T x + \dots \right) \right\} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Sq.Comp.}}{=} \phi \left(x; (H^T V^{-1} H + \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{-1})^{-1} (H^T V^{-1} z_{t+1} + \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{-1} \mu_{t+1|t}), (H^T V^{-1} H + \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{-1})^{-1} \right) \\ &\stackrel{\text{Inv.Lemma}}{=} \boxed{\phi \left(x; \mu_{t+1|t} + K_{t+1|t} (z_{t+1} - H \mu_{t+1|t}), (I - K_{t+1|t} H) \Sigma_{t+1|t} \right)} \end{aligned}$$

► **Kalman gain:** $K_{t+1|t} := \Sigma_{t+1|t} H^T (H \Sigma_{t+1|t} H^T + V)^{-1}$

Kalman Filter Update (easy version)

- ▶ Observation model with given prior:

$$z_{t+1} = Hx_{t+1} + v_{t+1}, \quad v_{t+1} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, V), \quad x_{t+1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|t}, \Sigma_{t+1|t})$$

- ▶ The joint distribution of x_{t+1} and z_{t+1} is Gaussian:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{t+1} \\ z_{t+1} \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \mu_{t+1|t} \\ H\mu_{t+1|t} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{t+1|t} & * \\ *^T & H\Sigma_{t+1|t}H^T + V \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} * &= \mathbb{E} \left[(x_{t+1} - \mu_{t+1|t}) (z_{t+1} - H\mu_{t+1|t})^T \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left[(x_{t+1} - \mu_{t+1|t}) \left((x_{t+1} - \mu_{t+1|t})^T H^T + v_{t+1}^T \right) \right] = \Sigma_{t+1|t} H^T \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The conditional distribution of $x_{t+1} | z_{t+1}$ is then also Gaussian:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{t+1} | z_{t+1} &\sim \mathcal{N} \left(\mu_{t+1|t} + \Sigma_{t+1|t} H^T (H\Sigma_{t+1|t}H^T + V)^{-1} (z_{t+1} - H\mu_{t+1|t}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \Sigma_{t+1|t} - \Sigma_{t+1|t} H^T (H\Sigma_{t+1|t}H^T + V)^{-1} H\Sigma_{t+1|t} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Kalman Filter (discrete time)

Prior: $x_t \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t|t}, \Sigma_{t|t})$

Motion model: $x_{t+1} = Fx_t + Gu_t + w_t, \quad w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, W)$

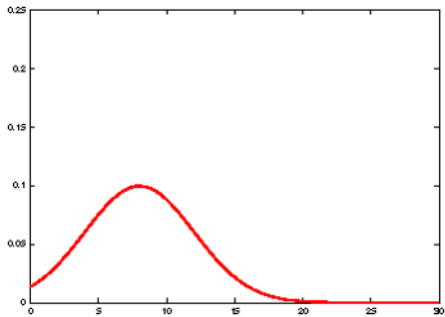
Observation model: $z_t = Hx_t + v_t, \quad v_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, V)$

Prediction:
$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{t+1|t} &= F\mu_{t|t} + Gu_t \\ \Sigma_{t+1|t} &= F\Sigma_{t|t}F^T + W\end{aligned}$$

Update:
$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{t+1|t+1} &= \mu_{t+1|t} + K_{t+1|t}(z_{t+1} - H\mu_{t+1|t}) \\ \Sigma_{t+1|t+1} &= (I - K_{t+1|t}H)\Sigma_{t+1|t}\end{aligned}$$

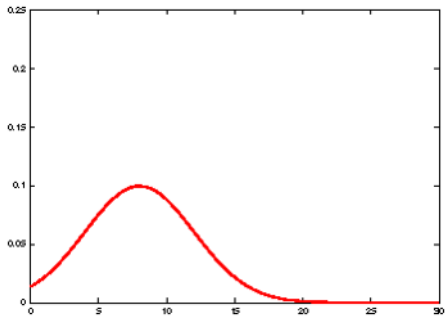
Kalman Gain: $K_{t+1|t} := \Sigma_{t+1|t}H^T (H\Sigma_{t+1|t}H^T + V)^{-1}$

Predict

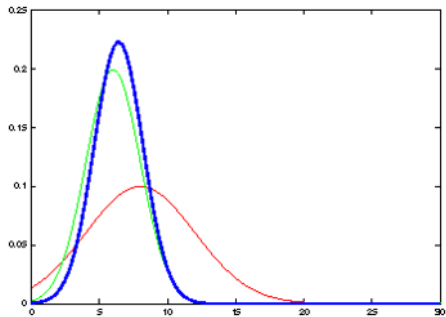


Update

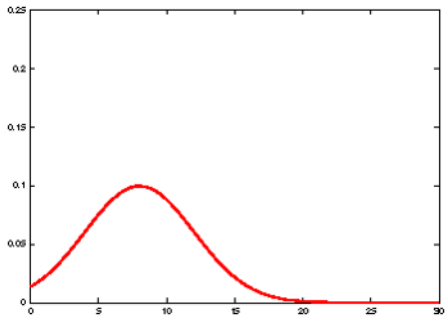
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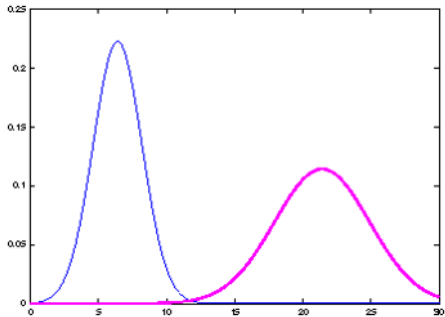
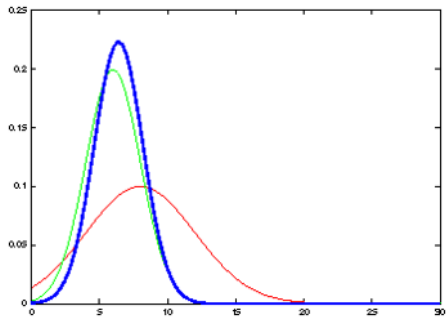
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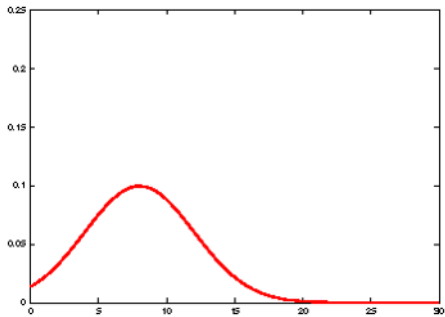
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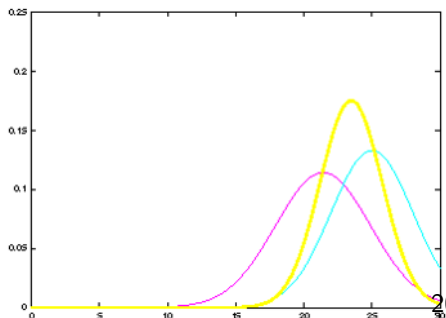
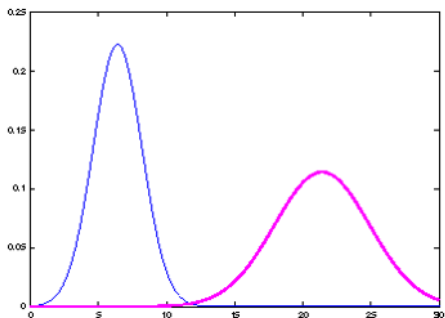
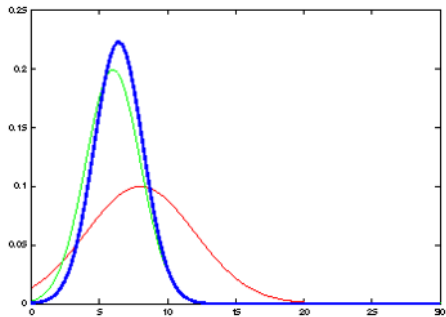
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Update



Information Filter

- ▶ Uses the natural Gaussian parameterization $x \sim \mathcal{G}(\nu, \Omega)$ where $\nu = \Sigma^{-1}\mu$ and $\Omega = \Sigma^{-1}$
- ▶ Uses the matrix inversion lemma to convert the Kalman filter covariance equations to their information matrix counterparts

Prior: $x_t \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1} \sim \mathcal{G}(\nu_{t|t}, \Omega_{t|t})$

Motion model: $x_{t+1} = Fx_t + Gu_t + w_t, \quad w_t \sim \mathcal{G}(0, W^{-1})$

Observation model: $z_t = Hx_t + v_t, \quad v_t \sim \mathcal{G}(0, V^{-1})$

Prediction: $\nu_{t+1|t} = (I - C_{t|t})F^{-T}\nu_{t|t}$
 $\Omega_{t+1|t} = (I - C_{t|t})F^{-T}\Omega_{t|t}F^{-1}(I - C_{t|t}^T) + C_{t|t}W^{-1}C_{t|t}^T$

Information Gain: $C_{t|t} = F^{-T}\Omega_{t|t}F^{-1}(F^{-T}\Omega_{t|t}F^{-1} + W^{-1})^{-1}$

Update: $\nu_{t+1|t+1} = \nu_{t+1|t} + H^T V^{-1} z_{t+1}$
 $\Omega_{t+1|t+1} = \Omega_{t+1|t} + H^T V^{-1} H$

Kalman-Bucy Filter (continuous time)

Prior: $x(0) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu(0), \Sigma(0))$

Motion model: $\dot{x}(t) = Fx(t) + Gu(t) + w(t)$

Observation model: $z(t) = Hx(t) + v(t)$

Mean: $\dot{\mu}(t) = F\mu(t) + Gu(t) + K(t)(z(t) - H\mu(t))$

Covariance: $\dot{\Sigma}(t) = F\Sigma(t) + \Sigma(t)F^T + W - K(t)VK^T(t)$

Kalman Gain: $K(t) = \Sigma(t)H^T V^{-1}$

Kalman Filter Comments

- ▶ **Efficient:** polynomial in measurement and state dim: $O(d_z^{2.376} + d_x^2)$
- ▶ **Optimal:** under linearity, Gaussianity, and independence assumptions with respect to the mean square error (MSE):

$$\mathbb{E} [\|x_t - \mu_{t|t}\|_2^2] = \text{tr}(\Sigma_{t|t})$$

- ▶ To deal with **unknown models** we can use EM to learn the dynamics model (F, G, W) and the measurement model (H, V)
- ▶ Given data $\mathcal{D} := \{z_{0:T}, u_{0:T-1}\}$, apply EM with hidden variables $x_{0:T}$:
 - ▶ **E step:** Given initial parameter estimates $\theta^{(k)} := \{F^{(k)}, G^{(k)}, W^{(k)}, H^{(k)}, V^{(k)}\}$ calculate the likelihood of the hidden variables via the Kalman filter/smoothen
 - ▶ **M step:** Optimize the parameters via MLE to obtain $\theta^{(k+1)}$ which explain the posterior distribution over $x_{0:T}$ better
- ▶ Most robotic systems are **nonlinear!**

Gaussian Mixture Filter

► **Prior:** $x_t \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1} \sim p_{t|t}(x_t) := \sum_k \alpha_{t|t}^{(k)} \phi \left(x_t; \mu_{t|t}^{(k)}, \Sigma_{t|t}^{(k)} \right)$

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► **Observation model:** $z_t = Hx_t + v_t, \quad v_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, V)$

► **Prediction:**

$$\begin{aligned} p_{t+1|t}(x) &= \int p_f(x \mid s, u_t) p_{t|t}(s) ds = \sum_k \alpha_{t|t}^{(k)} \int p_f(x \mid s, u_t) \phi \left(s; \mu_{t|t}^{(k)}, \Sigma_{t|t}^{(k)} \right) ds \\ &= \sum_k \alpha_{t|t}^{(k)} \phi \left(x; F\mu_{t|t}^{(k)} + Gu_t, F\Sigma_{t|t}^{(k)}F^T + W \right) \end{aligned}$$

► **Update:**

$$\begin{aligned} p_{t+1|t+1}(x) &= \frac{p_h(z_{t+1} \mid x) p_{t+1|t}(x)}{p(z_{t+1} \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})} = \frac{\phi(z_{t+1}; Hx, V) \sum_k \alpha_{t+1|t}^{(k)} \phi \left(x; \mu_{t+1|t}^{(k)}, \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)} \right)}{\int \phi(z_{t+1}; Hs, V) \sum_j \alpha_{t+1|t}^{(j)} \phi \left(s; \mu_{t+1|t}^{(j)}, \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(j)} \right) ds} \\ &= \sum_k \left(\frac{\alpha_{t+1|t}^{(k)} \phi(z_{t+1}; Hx, V) \phi \left(x; \mu_{t+1|t}^{(k)}, \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)} \right)}{\sum_j \alpha_{t+1|t}^{(j)} \phi \left(z_{t+1}; H\mu_{t+1|t}^{(j)}, H\Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(j)}H^T + V \right)} \times \frac{\phi \left(z_{t+1}; H\mu_{t+1|t}^{(k)}, H\Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)}H^T + V \right)}{\phi \left(z_{t+1}; H\mu_{t+1|t}^{(k)}, H\Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)}H^T + V \right)} \right) \\ &= \sum_k \left[\frac{\alpha_{t+1|t}^{(k)} \phi \left(z_{t+1}; H\mu_{t+1|t}^{(k)}, H\Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)}H^T + V \right)}{\sum_j \alpha_{t+1|t}^{(j)} \phi \left(z_{t+1}; H\mu_{t+1|t}^{(j)}, H\Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(j)}H^T + V \right)} \right] \phi \left(x; \mu_{t+1|t}^{(k)} + K_{t+1|t}^{(k)}(z_{t+1} - H\mu_{t+1|t}^{(k)}), (I - K_{t+1|t}^{(k)}H)\Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

► **Kalman Gain:** $K_{t+1|t}^{(k)} := \Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)}H^T \left(H\Sigma_{t+1|t}^{(k)}H^T + V \right)^{-1}$

Gaussian Mixture Filter

- ▶ **pdf:** $x_t \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1} \sim p_{t|t}(x) := \sum_k \alpha_{t|t}^{(k)} \phi(x_t; \mu_{t|t}^{(k)}, \Sigma_{t|t}^{(k)})$
- ▶ **mean:** $\mu_{t|t} := \mathbb{E}[x_t \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1}] = \int x p_{t|t}(x) dx = \sum_k \alpha_{t|t}^{(k)} \mu_{t|t}^{(k)}$
- ▶ **cov:** $\Sigma_{t|t} := \mathbb{E}[x_t x_t^T \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1}] - \mu_{t|t} \mu_{t|t}^T$
 $= \int x x^T p_{t|t}(x) dx - \mu_{t|t} \mu_{t|t}^T = \sum_k \alpha_{t|t}^{(k)} \left(\Sigma_{t|t}^{(k)} + \mu_{t|t}^{(k)} (\mu_{t|t}^{(k)})^T \right) - \mu_{t|t} \mu_{t|t}^T$
- ▶ The GMF is just a **bank of Kalman filters**; sometimes called **Gaussian Sum filter**

Gaussian Mixture Filter

- ▶ If the motion or observation models are nonlinear, we can apply the EKF or UKF tricks to get a nonlinear GMF
- ▶ Additional operations are needed when strong nonlinearities are present in the motion or observation models:
 - ▶ **Refinement**: introduces additional components to reduce the linearization error
 - ▶ **Pruning**: approximates the overall distribution with a smaller number of components (e.g., using KL divergence as a measure of accuracy)
- ▶ More details:
 - ▶ Nonlinear Gaussian Filtering: Theory, Algorithms, and Applications: Huber
 - ▶ Bayesian Filtering and Smoothing: Särkkä

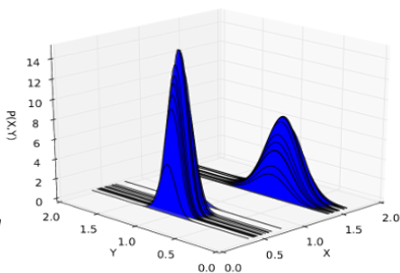
Rao-Blackwellized Particle Filter

- ▶ The Rao-Blackwellized (**marginalized**) particle filter is applicable to conditionally linear-Gaussian models:

$$x_{t+1}^n = f_t^n(x_t^n) + A_t^n(x_t^n)x_t^l + G_t^n(x_t^n)w_t^n$$

$$x_{t+1}^l = f_t^l(x_t^n) + A_t^l(x_t^n)x_t^l + G_t^l(x_t^n)w_t^l$$

$$z_t = h_t(x_t^n) + C_t(x_t^n)x_t^l + v_t$$



Nonlinear states: x_t^n

Linear states: x_t^l

- ▶ **Idea:** exploit linear-Gaussian sub-structure to handle high dim. problems

$$p\left(x_t^l, x_{0:t}^n \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1}\right) = \underbrace{p\left(x_t^l \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1}, x_{0:t}^n\right)}_{\text{Kalman Filter}} \underbrace{p\left(x_{0:t}^n \mid z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1}\right)}_{\text{Particle Filter}}$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{N_{t|t}} \alpha_{t|t}^{(k)} \delta\left(x_{0:t}^n; m_{t|t}^{(k)}\right) \phi\left(x_t^l; \mu_{t|t}^{(k)}, \Sigma_{t|t}^{(k)}\right)$$

- ▶ The RBPF is a combination of the particle filter and the Kalman filter, in which each particle has a Kalman filter associated to it