

Bayes' Filter

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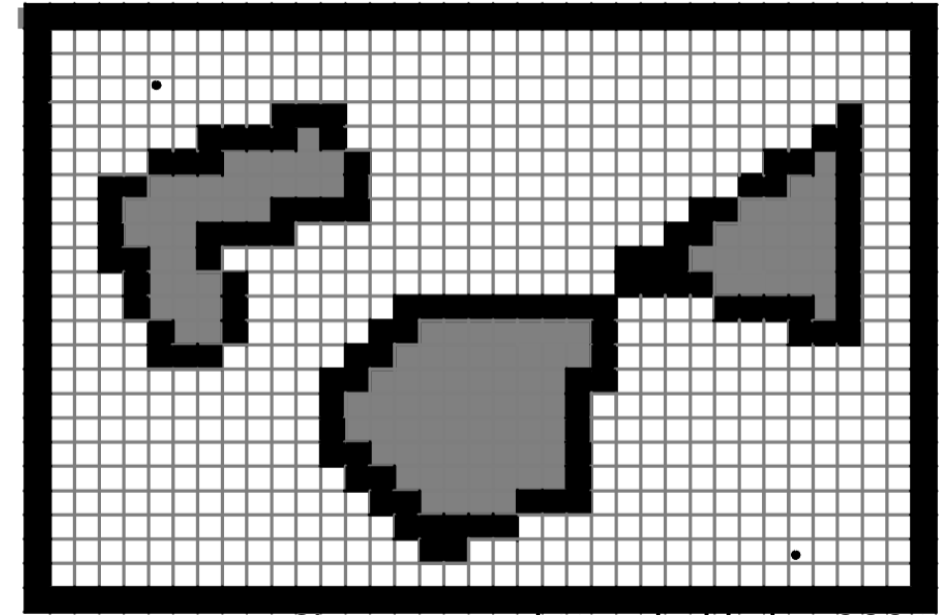
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Outline

- Localization Problem Setup
- Bayes' Filter

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Siegwart and Nourbakhsh, 2004

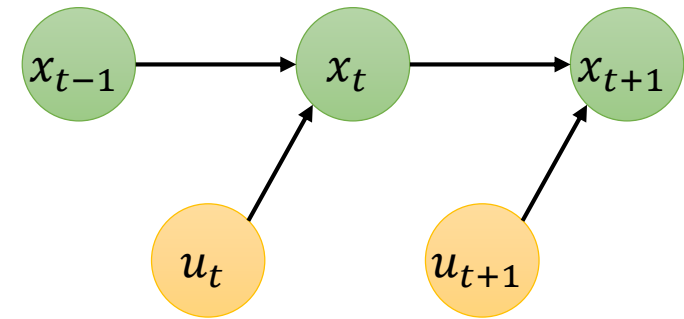


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- Robot maintains and updates its belief about where it is with respect to the map
 - Position belief is updated based on sensor data
 - Position belief is a probability distribution

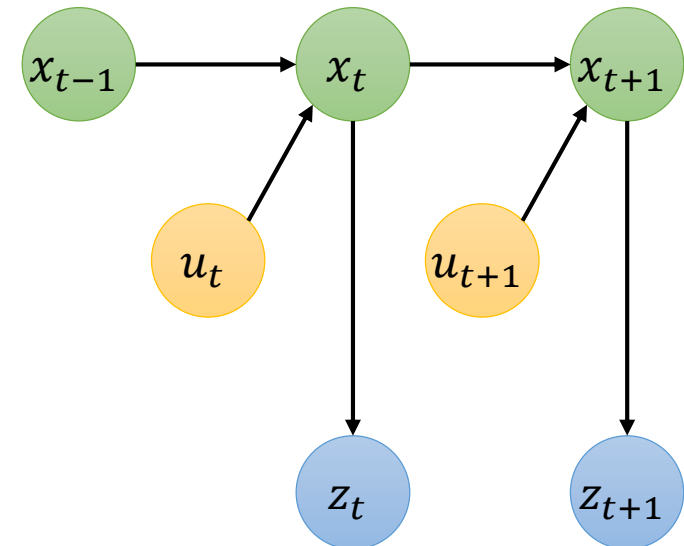
Robot-Environment Interaction: Definitions

- State x_t : includes the environment (eg. objects, features)
 - Assume the state x_t is complete / the Markov property
- Control data u_t
 - Usually decreases robot's knowledge
- Probabilistic model of state evolution
 - $p(x_t|x_{t-1}, u_t)$



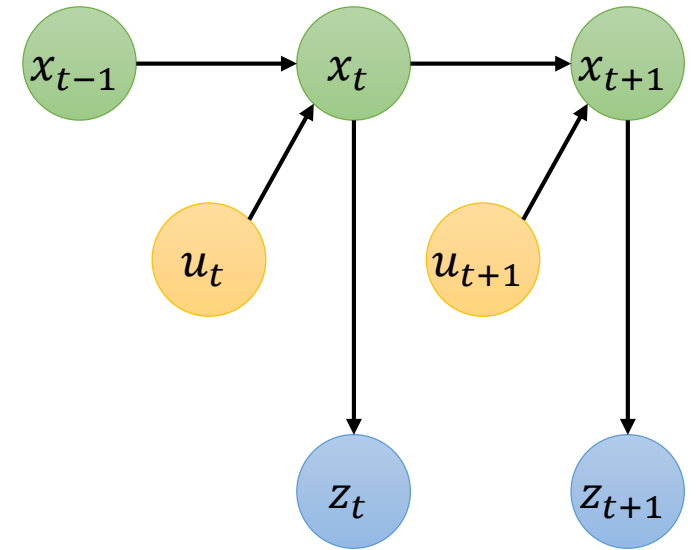
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- Measurement data z_t
 - Increases robot's knowledge
- Measurement equation:
 - $p(z_t|x_t)$



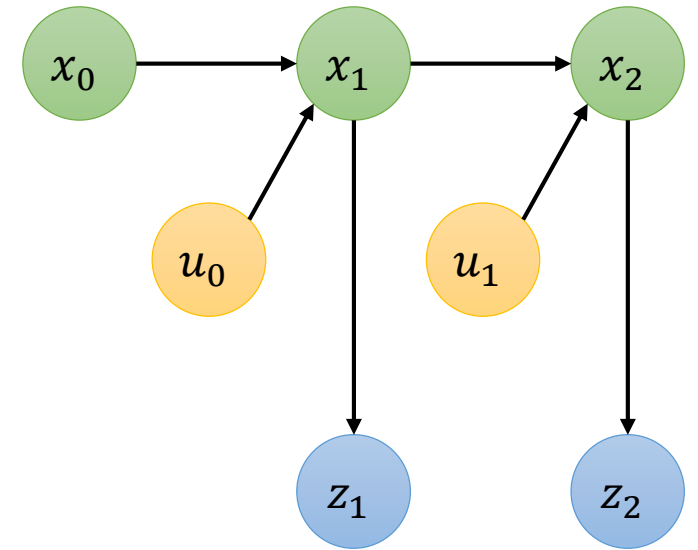
Prediction and Belief Distributions

- Prediction distribution:
 - Robot's prediction of the state before making an observation
$$\overline{\text{bel}}(x_t) := p(x_t | z_{1:t-1}, u_{1:t})$$
- Belief distribution:
 - Robot's internal knowledge about the state
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Theorem of total probability

$$p(y) = \int p(x, y)dx = \int p(y|x)p(x)dx$$

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Markov assumption

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Bayes' rule

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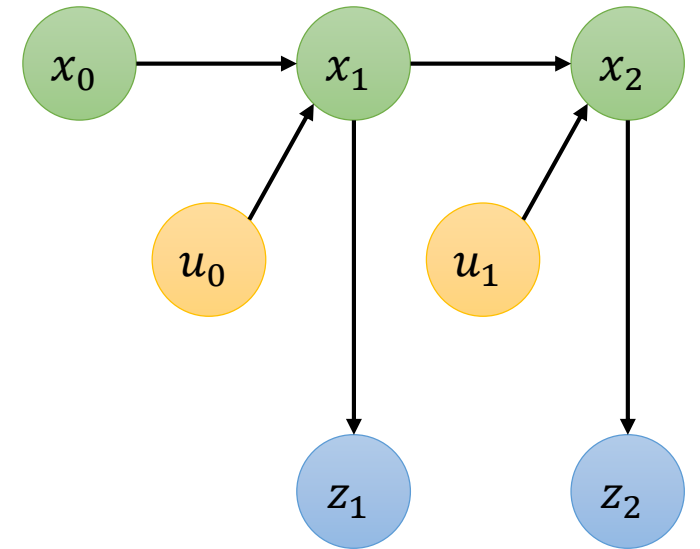
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Bayes Filter

- Continuous state space: Closed-form $\text{bel}(x_t)$ is unlikely. Need discretization and interpolation
- Must iterate through every x_t or every k
 - Number of states is exponential in state space dimension
- Solution: exploit structure or make assumptions
 - Parametric filters: assume a form for distributions
 - Non-parametric filters: represent distributions using samples