

Kalman Filter

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Outline

- Kalman Filter
 - Parametric filter for linear systems and measurement models
- Extended Kalman Filter
 - Extension to nonlinear systems and measurement models
- Unscented Kalman Filter
 - Non-parametric filter

Bayes filter

Continuous state space

Input: $\text{bel}(x_{t-1}), u_{t-1}, z_t$

Output: $\text{bel}(x_t)$

For every x_t ,

Perform prediction:

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

Perform measurement update:

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

Return $\text{bel}(x_t)$

Discrete state space

Input: $\{p_{k,t-1}\}, u_{t-1}, z_t$

Output: $\{p_{k,t}\}$

For every k ,

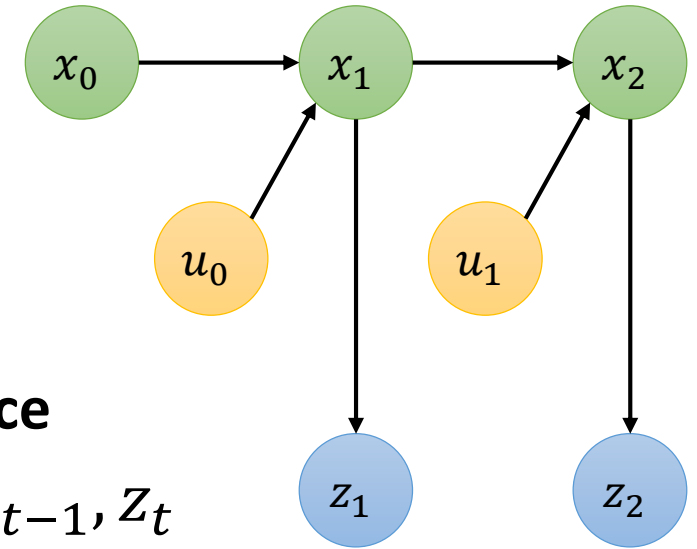
Perform prediction:

$$\bar{p}_{k,t} = \sum p(x_t | u_{t-1}, x_{t-1}) p_{k,t-1}$$

Perform measurement update:

$$\text{bel}(x_t) = \eta p(z_t | x_t) \bar{p}_{k,t}$$

Return $\{p_{k,t}\}$



Localization



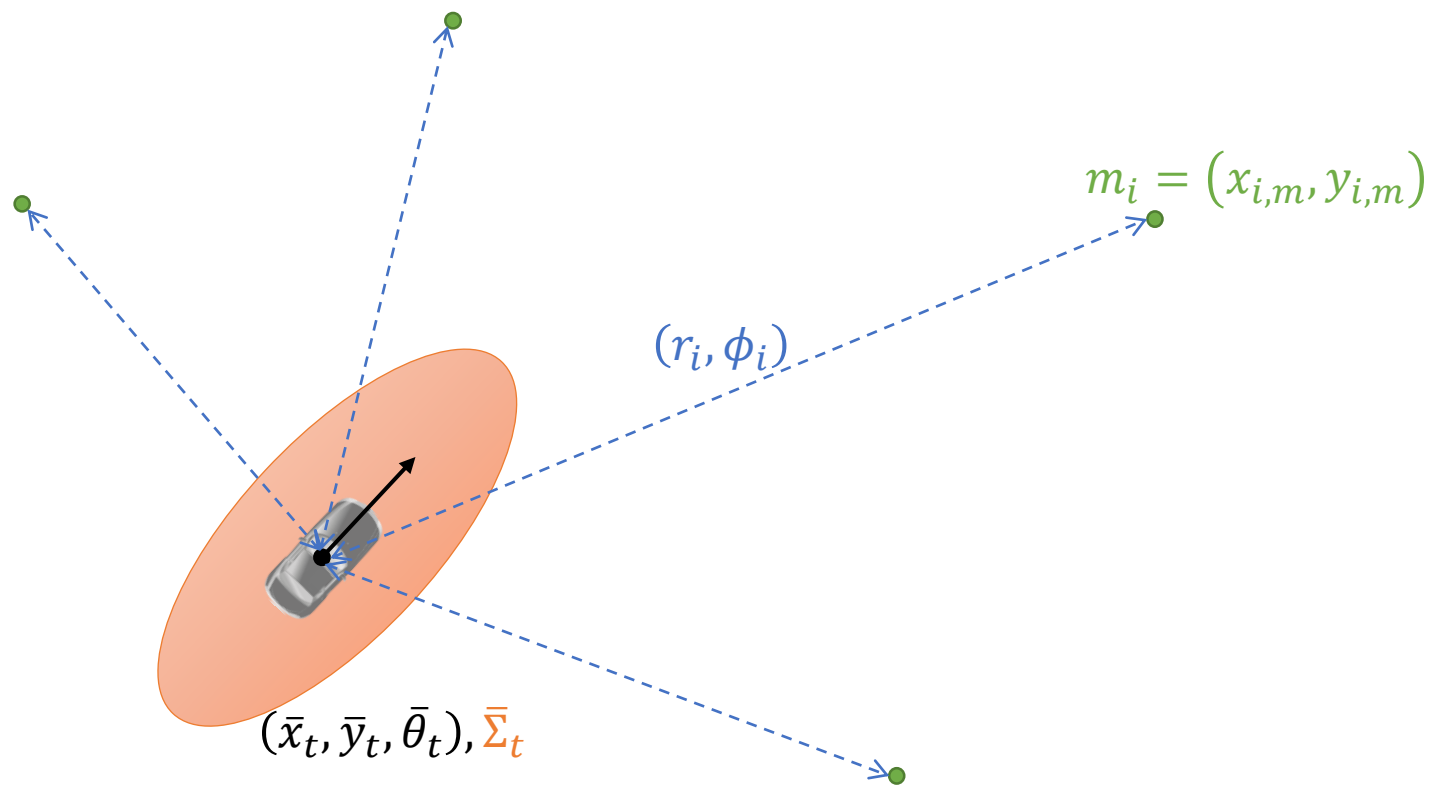
$(x_{t-1}, y_{t-1}, \theta_{t-1}), \Sigma_t$

$$m_i = (x_{i,m}, y_{i,m})$$

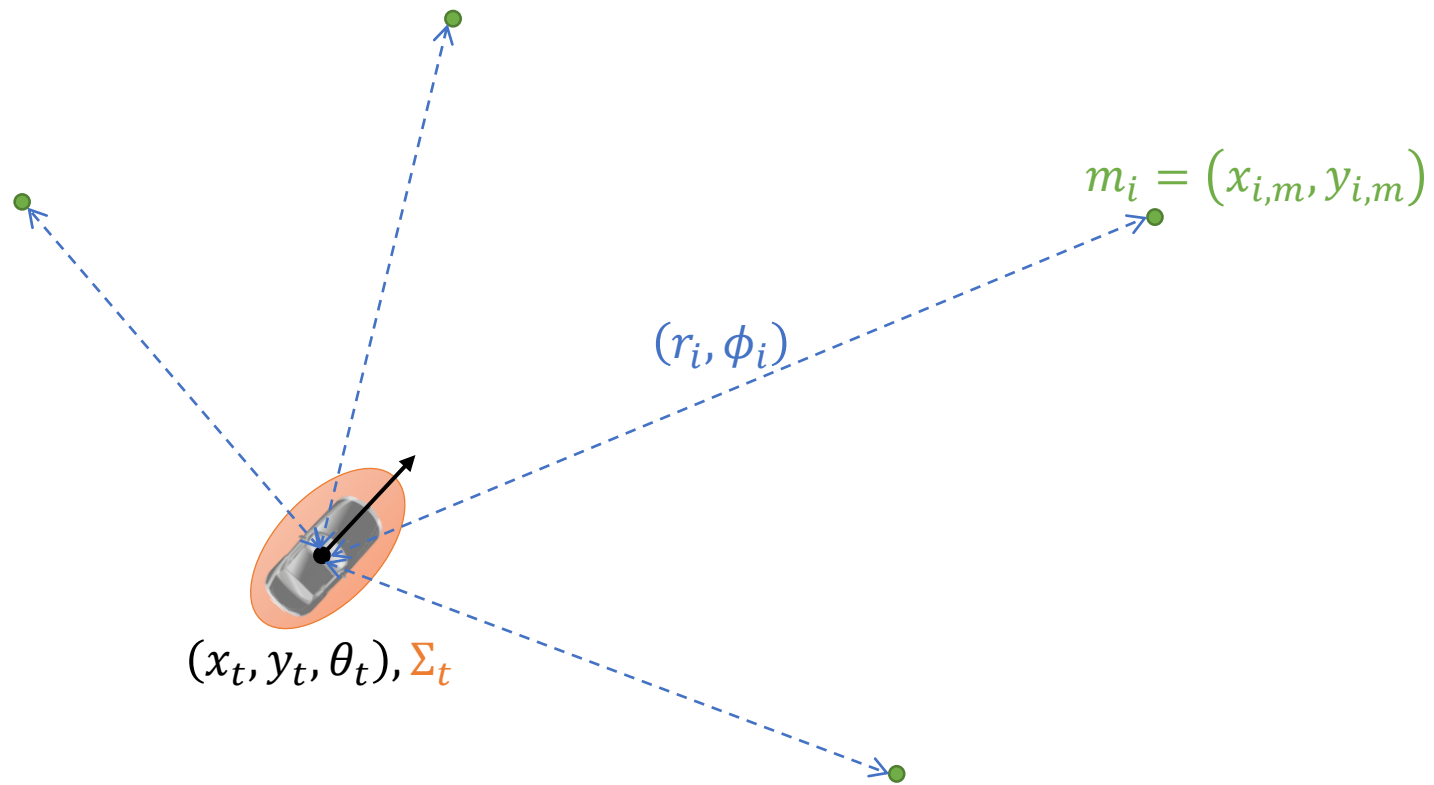

A diagram illustrating a map point. It consists of a small green dot representing a point in the environment, positioned directly below the equation $m_i = (x_{i,m}, y_{i,m})$.



Localization



Localization



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

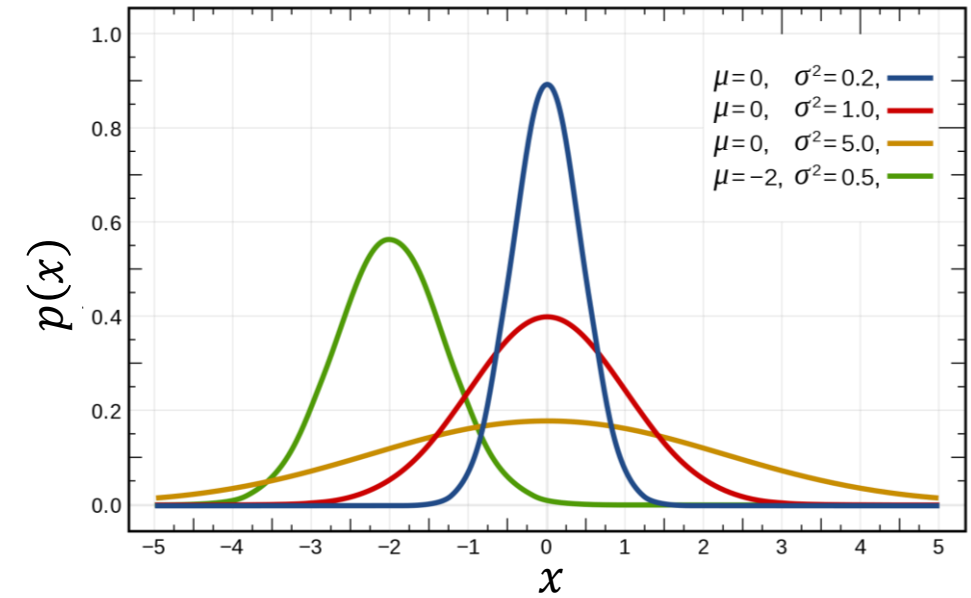
Kalman Filter

- Bayes filter with additional assumptions
- Initial Gaussian belief
 - $\text{bel}(x_0) \sim N(\mu_0, \Sigma_0)$
 - Approximates single-modal distributions well
- Linear system dynamics with Gaussian noise
 - $x_t = Ax_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$
 - Noise is independent $\epsilon_t \sim N(0, R_t)$
- Linear measurement model
 - $z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t, \delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$

Gaussian Distributions

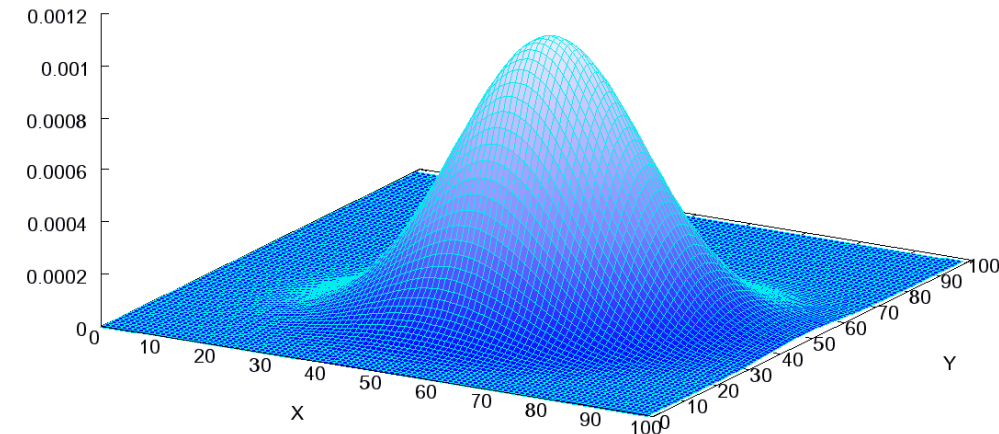
- Probability density function, scalar case:

$$p(x) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}\right) \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$



- Probability density function, vector case:

$$p(x) = \det(2\pi\Sigma)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^\top \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right) \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$



Key Properties Needed

- If $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$, and $Y = AX + b$, then
$$Y \sim N(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^T)$$
- If $X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \Sigma_1)$, $X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \Sigma_2)$, and $Y = X_1 + X_2$, then
$$Y \sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)$$
- Product of Gaussian probability distribution functions are also Gaussian random variables
 - More complicated expression/derivation

Result of Assumptions and Gaussian Distribution Properties

1. Gaussian initial belief:

$$\text{bel}(x_0) = p(x_0) = \det(2\pi\Sigma_0)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x_0 - \mu_0)^\top \Sigma_0^{-1}(x_0 - \mu_0)\right)$$

2. Linear dynamics $x_t = Ax_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$, $\epsilon_t \sim N(0, R_t)$ implies

$$p(x_t|x_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) = \det(2\pi R_t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x_t - Ax_{t-1} - Bu_{t-1})^\top R_t^{-1}(x_t - Ax_{t-1} - Bu_{t-1})\right)$$

3. Linear measurement model $z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t$, $\delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$ implies

$$p(z_t|x_t) = \det(2\pi Q_t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(z_t - C_t x_t)^\top Q_t^{-1}(z_t - C_t x_t)\right)$$

- Result: Posterior belief $\text{bel}(x_t)$ is Gaussian for all t !
 - Start with $\text{bel}(x_0) \sim N(\mu_0, \Sigma_0)$, obtain $\text{bel}(x_t) \sim N(\mu_t, \Sigma_t)$ from $\text{bel}(x_{t-1}) \sim N(\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1})$
 - Only the parameters μ_t and Σ_t need to be updated to capture distribution over all x_t

Kalman Filter

- Bayes' filter algorithm:

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- Kalman filter algorithm:

Input: $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_{t-1}, z_t$

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Key Properties of Gaussian Distributions

- If $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$, and $Y = AX + b$, then
$$Y \sim N(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^\top)$$
- If $X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \Sigma_1)$, $X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \Sigma_2)$, and $Y = X_1 + X_2$, then
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- Linear dynamics: $x_t = Ax_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$, $\epsilon_t \sim N(0, R_t)$
- If $x_{t-1} \sim N(\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1})$ then $x_t \sim (\bar{\mu}_t, \bar{\Sigma}_t)$, where
 - $\bar{\mu}_t = A\mu_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1}$
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$$\bar{\Sigma}_t = A\Sigma_{t-1}A^T + R_t$$

Perform measurement update:

Return μ_t, Σ_t

Key Property of Gaussian Distributions

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- Linear measurement model

- $z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t, \delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$

- Measurement update: $\underbrace{\text{bel}(x_t)}_{\text{Gaussian } N(\mu_t, \Sigma_t)} = \underbrace{\eta}_{\text{constant}} \underbrace{p(z_t | x_t)}_{\text{Gaussian } N(Cx_t, Q_t)} \underbrace{\overline{\text{bel}}(x_t)}_{\text{Gaussian } N(\bar{\mu}_t, \bar{\Sigma}_t)}$

- $K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^\top (C_t \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^\top + Q_t)^{-1}$
 - $\mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t (z_t - C_t \bar{\mu}_t)$
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Return μ_t, Σ_t

Kalman Filter: Discussion

- “**Kalman gain**”:
 - $K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^\top (C_t \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^\top + Q_t)^{-1}$
- Update mean: $\mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - C_t \bar{\mu}_t)$
 - $K_t(z_t - C_t \bar{\mu}_t)$ term compares actual z_t and predicted measurement $C_t \bar{\mu}_t$
 - $z_t - C_t \bar{\mu}_t$ is called “**innovation**”
- $K_t \approx 0 \rightarrow$ observation is not useful (eg. $Q_t \rightarrow \infty$ or $\bar{\Sigma}_t = 0$)
- $K_t \approx C_t^{-1} \rightarrow$ prediction is not useful (eg. $\bar{\Sigma}_t \rightarrow \infty$)

Kalman Filter: Discussion

Possible advantages

- Only $O(n^2)$ parameters to update
 - μ has $O(n)$ parameters
 - Σ has $O(n^2)$ parameters
 - Bayes filter has $O(N^n)$
- Closed form update formulas
 - Bayes filter requires numerical integration

Possible disadvantages

- Linear system dynamics
 - Most robotic systems are nonlinear
- Gaussian distribution assumption
 - Only unimodal situations can be considered

Extended Kalman Filter

- Addresses the linear dynamics assumption

$$x_t = g(x_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) + \epsilon_t, \epsilon_t \sim N(0, R_t)$$

$$z_t = h(x_t) + \delta_t, \delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$$

- Linearize the nonlinear maps

$$g(x_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) \approx g(\mu_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) + \nabla g(\mu_{t-1}, u_{t-1})(x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1})$$

$$h(x_t) \approx h(\bar{\mu}_t) + \nabla h(\bar{\mu}_t)(x_t - \mu_t)$$

- Compatible with non-linear systems and nonlinear measurement models
- Gaussian initial belief implies Gaussian belief for all time

EKF algorithm

- Kalman filter algorithm:

- $x_t = Ax_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, \epsilon_t \sim N(0, R_t)$
- $z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t, \delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$

Input: $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_{t-1}, z_t$

Output: μ_t, Σ_t

Perform prediction:

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\mu}_t &= A\mu_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1} \\ \bar{\Sigma}_t &= A\Sigma_{t-1}A^\top + R_t\end{aligned}$$

Perform measurement update:

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Return μ_t, Σ_t

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Perform prediction:

Perform measurement update:

Return μ_t, Σ_t

EKF Prediction

- Linear dynamics

- $x_t = Ax_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, \epsilon_t \sim N(0, R_t)$

- Nonlinear dynamics

- $x_t = g(x_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) + \epsilon_t, \epsilon_t \sim N(0, R_t)$

- Linearized dynamics

- $x_t \approx g(\mu_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) + G_t(x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1}),$
 $G_t := \nabla g(\mu_{t-1}, u_{t-1})$

- Kalman filter prediction

- $\bar{\mu}_t = A\mu_{t-1} + Bu_{t-1}$
 - $\bar{\Sigma}_t = A\Sigma_{t-1}A^\top + R_t$

- EKF Prediction

- $\bar{\mu}_t = g(\mu_{t-1}, u_{t-1})$
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Return μ_t, Σ_t

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- $z_t = h(x_t) + \delta_t, \delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$
- Linearization: $G_t = \nabla g(\mu_{t-1}, u_{t-1}), H_t = \nabla h(\bar{\mu}_t)$

Input: $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_{t-1}, z_t$

Output: μ_t, Σ_t

Perform prediction:

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Perform measurement update:

Return μ_t, Σ_t

EKF Measurement Updates

- Linear measurement model
 - $z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t, \delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$
- Nonlinear measurement model
 - $z_t = h(x_t) + \delta_t, \delta_t \sim N(0, Q_t)$
- Linearized measurement model
 - $h(x_t) \approx h(\bar{\mu}_t) + H_t(x_t - \mu_t),$
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- Kalman filter measurement update
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Input: $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_{t-1}, z_t$

Output: μ_t, Σ_t

Perform prediction:

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Perform measurement update:

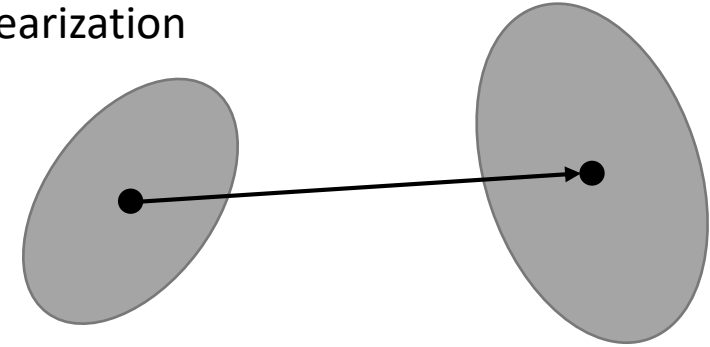
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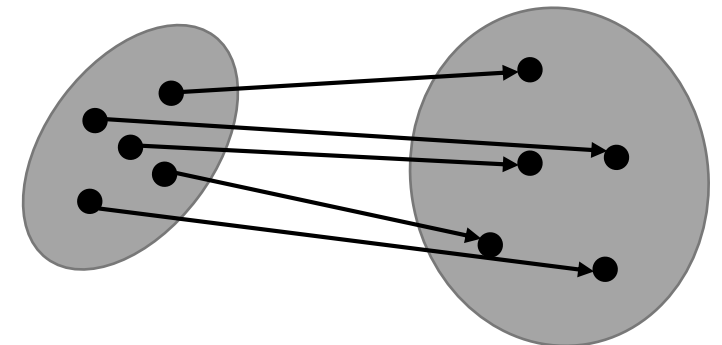
Unscented Kalman Filter

- Takes full knowledge of nonlinear dynamics
 - No linearization
 - Represents distributions using “Sigma points”
 - Transforms sigma points using nonlinear dynamics
- Approximates distribution using sigma points
 - Best fit Gaussian distribution given weights

EKF: transform Gaussian distributions using linearization



UKF: transforms sigma points and fits Gaussian distributions



Particle Filter

- Non-parametric filter
- Probability distributions $\text{bel}(x_{t-1})$ directly represented by samples

$$\mathcal{X}_{t-1} = \left\{ x_{t-1}^{[i]} \right\}_{i=1}^M$$

- Prediction step: sample using dynamics
 - $\bar{x}_t^{[i]} \sim p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}^{[i]})$
- Measurement update step: weighted resampling based on measurements
 - Select M new particles from $\{\bar{x}_t^{[i]}\}$ with probability $\propto w_t^{[i]} = p(z_t | x_t^{[i]})$

Particle Filter

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- Particle filter algorithm:

- Represent $\text{bel}(x_t)$ with M samples

Input: $\mathcal{X}_{t-1}, u_{t-1}, z_t$

Output: $\mathcal{X}_t$

Perform prediction:

 Draw $\bar{x}_t^{[i]} \sim p(x_t | u_{t-1}, x_{t-1}^{[i]})$, $i = 1, \dots, M \rightarrow \bar{\mathcal{X}}_t = \{\bar{x}_t^{[i]}\}_{i=1}^M$

Perform measurement update:

 Compute weights $w_t^{[i]} = p(z_t | \bar{x}_t^{[i]})$, $i = 1, \dots, M$

 Resample M times from $\bar{\mathcal{X}}_t \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_t$

- Each time, draw $\bar{x}_t^{[i]}$ with probability $\frac{w_t^{[i]}}{\sum_i w_t^{[i]}}$

Return $\mathcal{X}_t$