

# UNSCENTED KALMAN FILTER ALGORITHM OVERVIEW

Given sensor data  $\mathbf{z}$ ,  $t$  (measurement vector, timestamp):

If 1st data:	initialize $\mathbf{x}$ , $\mathbf{P}$ (state vector, state covariance matrix)
Else:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Compute <math>\mathbf{dt}</math> (time difference) between new <math>t</math> and previous measurement's <math>t</math></li><li>- <math>\text{update}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{dt})</math></li></ul>

$\text{update}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{dt})$ :

State Prediction using **StatePredictor**

- Given: current  $\mathbf{x}$ , current  $\mathbf{P}$ ,  $\mathbf{dt}$
- Get:  $\text{predicted\_x}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_P}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_sigma\_x}$

Measurement Prediction using **MeasurementPredictor** (depends on sensor used)

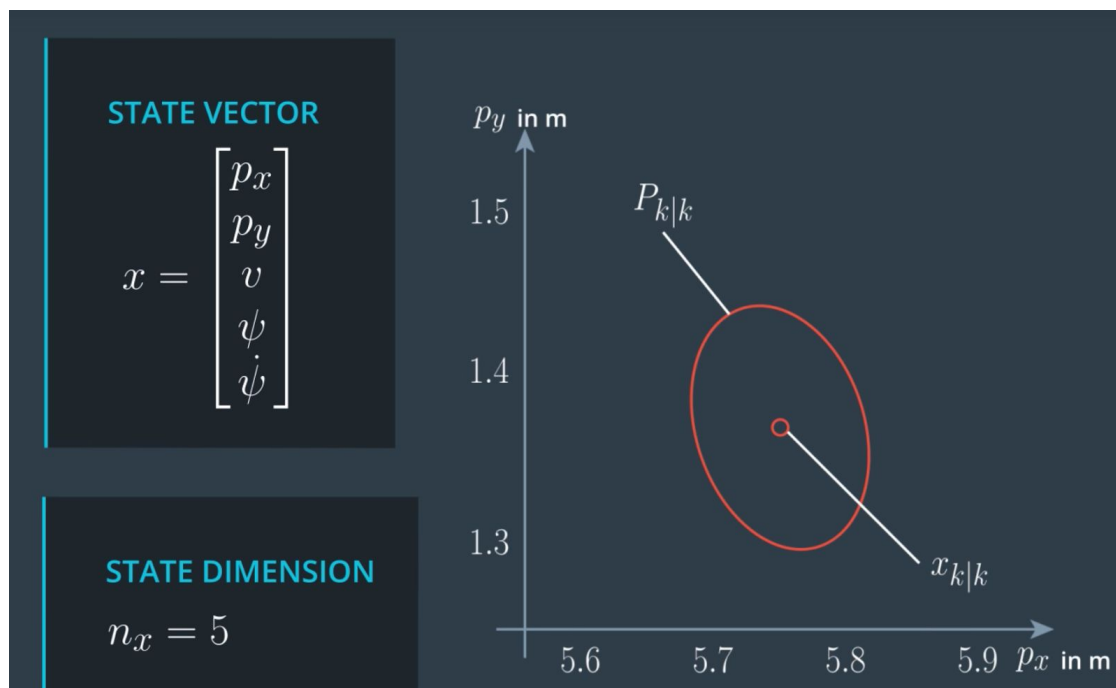
- Given:  $\text{predicted\_sigma\_x}$ ,  $\text{sensor\_type}$  (lidar or radar)
- Get:  $\text{predicted\_sigma\_z}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_z}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}$  (measurement covariance)

State Update using **StateUpdater**

- Given:  $\mathbf{z}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_P}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_x}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_z}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_sigma\_x}$ ,  $\text{predicted\_sigma\_z}$
- Get: updated  $\mathbf{P}$ , updated  $\mathbf{x}$  (and  $\mathbf{nis}$ )

- Sigma matrices contain representative points in the gaussian distribution of a vector. Each column is a point.

- In the figure below, the point in center the mean state vector  $\mathbf{x}$ , while the ellipse represents the state covariance matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  which is assumed to be gaussian.



## StatePredictor

### 1st Step:

- Given: current **x**, current **P**
- Get: **augmented\_sigma\_x**

### 2nd Step:

- Given: **augmented\_sigma\_x**, **dt**
- Get: **predicted\_sigma\_x**

### 3rd Step:

- Given: **predicted\_sigma\_x**
- Get: **predicted\_x**

### 4th Step:

- Given: **predicted\_x**, **predicted\_sigma\_x**
- Get: **predicted\_P**

### 1st step:

- The **augmented\_sigma\_x** is a matrix that contains representative points of the gaussian distribution of state **x**
- It's augmented because it includes **speed\_noise\_variance** and **yawrate\_noise\_variance** which are process noises
- The computation of the sigma points consider the covariance of the process from the current **P**, the effect of this process covariance is scaled with a tuned parameter **lambda**

### 2nd step:

- The **predicted\_sigma\_x** is extrapolated from the time difference **dt** and **sigma\_x** including the noise values stored at the **augmented\_sigma\_x** at that time

### 3rd Step:

- The **predicted\_x** is the mean of all the sigma points stored at **predicted\_sigma\_x** scaled with appropriate weights. These weights come from the tuned parameter **lambda**

### 4th Step

- The **predicted\_P** covariance is computed from the all the differences between the **predicted\_x** and each **predicted\_sigma\_x** point also affected by the mentioned weights

## MeasurementPredictor

### 1st Step:

- Given: **predicted\_sigma\_x**
- Get: **predicted\_sigma\_z**

### 2nd Step:

- Given: **predicted\_sigma\_z**
- Get: **predicted\_z**

### 3rd Step:

- Given: **predicted\_sigma\_z**
- Get: **S** (measurement covariance)

### 1st step:

- Just like when we map measurement vector **z** to state vector **x** (and back), we just map each sigma point in **sigma\_x** to **sigma\_z**. In essence, we just transform the points in state space to measurement space.

### 2nd step:

- Analogous to the 3rd step of **StatePredictor**, we just get the mean of all sigma points scaled by the mentioned weights

### 3rd step

- We compute for the measurement covariance **S**, analogous to the 4th step of **StatePredictor**, note that the noise covariance **R** of the sensor is considered

## StateUpdater

### 1st Step:

- Given: **predicted\_z**, **predicted\_x**, **predicted\_sigma\_z**, **predicted\_sigma\_x**
- Get: **Tc** (cross correlation matrix)

### 2nd Step:

- Given: **predicted\_x**, **predicted\_P**, **z**, **predicted\_z**, **S**, **Tc**,
- Get update **P**, updated **x**, (and **nis**)

### 1st step:

- We compute the cross correlation between state **x** and measurement **z**, by considering the difference between state **x** and each sigma point in x-space as well as between measurement **z** and each sigma point in z-space .

### 2nd step:

- We get the kalman gain **K** from the cross correlation matrix **Tc** and measurement covariance matrix **S**, and use that difference between the actual measurement and predicted measurement to get the updated **P** and **x**, the **nis** can be computed here as well which can be used to gauge how well our filter is performing

### PROCESS NOISE

$$\nu_k = \begin{bmatrix} \nu_{a,k} \\ \nu_{\ddot{\psi},k} \end{bmatrix}$$

INDEPENDENT NOISE PROCESSES  
DOESN'T EXPRESS EFFECT ON STATE VECTOR  
INDEPENDENT OF  $\Delta t$

### PROCESS MODEL

$$x_{k+1} = f(x_k, \nu_k) = x_k + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{v_k}{\dot{\psi}_k} \left( \sin(\psi_k + \dot{\psi}_k \Delta t) - \sin(\psi_k) \right) \\ \frac{v_k}{\dot{\psi}_k} \left( -\cos(\psi_k + \dot{\psi}_k \Delta t) + \cos(\psi_k) \right) \\ 0 \\ \dot{\psi}_k \Delta t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} (\Delta t)^2 \cos(\psi_k) \cdot \nu_{a,k} \\ \frac{1}{2} (\Delta t)^2 \sin(\psi_k) \cdot \nu_{a,k} \\ \Delta t \cdot \nu_{a,k} \\ \frac{1}{2} (\Delta t)^2 \cdot \nu_{\ddot{\psi},k} \\ \Delta t \cdot \nu_{\ddot{\psi},k} \end{bmatrix}$$

### AUGMENTED STATE

$$x_{a,k} = \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_y \\ v \\ \dot{\psi} \\ \psi \\ \nu_a \\ \nu_{\ddot{\psi}} \end{bmatrix}$$

### AUGMENTED STATE DIMENSION

$$n_a = 7$$

### NUMBER SIGMA POINTS

$$n_\sigma = 2n_a + 1 = 15$$



### AUGMENTED COVARIANCE MATRIX

$$P_{a,k|k} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{k|k} & 0 \\ 0 & Q \end{bmatrix}$$

7 \* 7

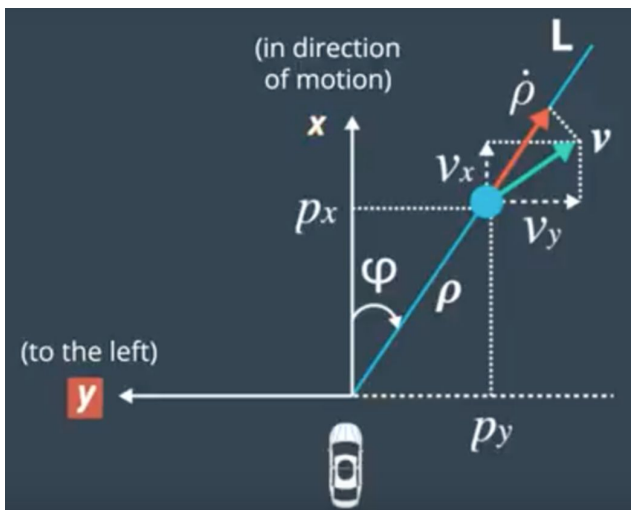
### CALCULATE AUGMENTED SIGMA POINTS

$$X_{a,k|k} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{a,k|k} & x_{a,k|k} + \sqrt{(\lambda + n_a) P_{a,k|k}} & x_{a,k|k} - \sqrt{(\lambda + n_a) P_{a,k|k}} \end{bmatrix}$$

with scaling factor  $\lambda = 3 - n_a$

$$\nu_{a,k} \sim N(0, \sigma_a^2)$$

$$\nu_{\ddot{\psi},k} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\ddot{\psi}}^2)$$



### PROCESS NOISE COVARIANCE MATRIX

$$Q = E \{ \nu_k \cdot \nu_k^T \} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{\ddot{\psi}}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Notice in figure in the left:

- rho\_dot is not equal to v. rho\_dot is a projection of v on line L
- The yaw corresponds to the direction of the object's (blue dot) movement, phi on the other hand corresponds to the sensor's (car's perspective) position