6 Evaluation and Conclusion

6.1 Evaluation

6.1.1 Characterization of Localisation Accuracy

Experiments Inside the Energy Lab

To reliably evaluate the accuracy of the proposed indoor localisation algorithm, a walking model for the robot was designed, its measured track was collected through static UWB tag (frequency = 10 Hz) and corresponding X and Y coordinates are in 6.1:

Listing 6.1: Measured Ground Truth From UWB

It's a series of command of *move* and *rotate*:

From the commands we can know, the robot has moved 5.8m in total in each single experiment. We sample 50 data in each experiment, which is about every 0.116m a point, and calculate *mean error* and *variance* based on the ten experiments and the result is:

mean = 0.24249670463171374 m, variance = 0.033868014433167205 m²

Assuming the initial pose [5.799013605442178, 4.865020408163268] is correct, based on the given commands we can also derive a theoretical track as bias correction, as shown in Figure 6.1.

By remote control, the filter result is shown in Figure 6.2.

Algorithm 1 Commands

- 1: **procedure** Control
- 2: move forward 0.7m
- 3: rotate counter-clockwise 30°
- 4: move forward 0.5m
- 5: rotate counter-clockwise 30°
- 6: move forward 0.5m
- 7: rotate clockwise 150°
- 8: move forward 0.5m
- 9: rotate counter-clockwise 90°
- 10: $move\ forward\ 0.5m$
- 11: rotate clockwise 90°
- 12: move forward 0.6m
- 13: rotate counter-clockwise 90°
- 14: move forward 2.5m

Experiments In the Corridor

In order to further evaluate the effect of kalman filter, experiments were also conducted in the around 30m corridor. Considering that the maximum working distance of UWB is approximately 30 m, five UWB units were configured as anchors and the fusion result is in Figure 6.3.

6.1.2 Observation

Compare different experiment results we can know, smoothing filter result heavily depends on the fluent remote control process, which is not always the case.

6.2 Conclusion

The model of sensors and model of the system can never be perfect and errors are always unavoidable, what we can do is just localising the mobile robot as accurate as possible. No doubt, robotics programming is a process which often involves a great deal of plain old trial-and-error. Sometimes in order to tune a single parameter it takes a few hours or even days.

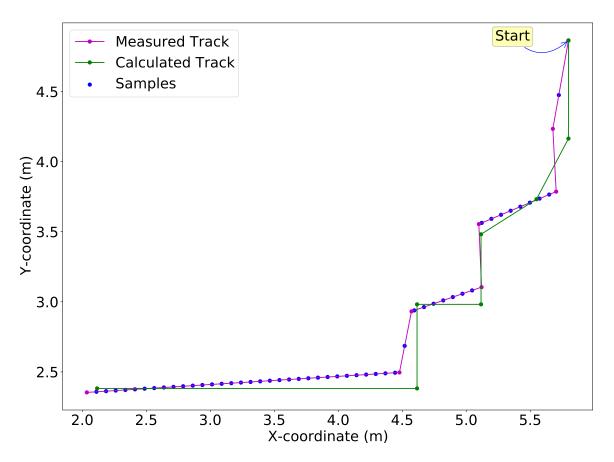


Figure 6.1: Measured vs. Calculated Ground Truth and sample points for measured track

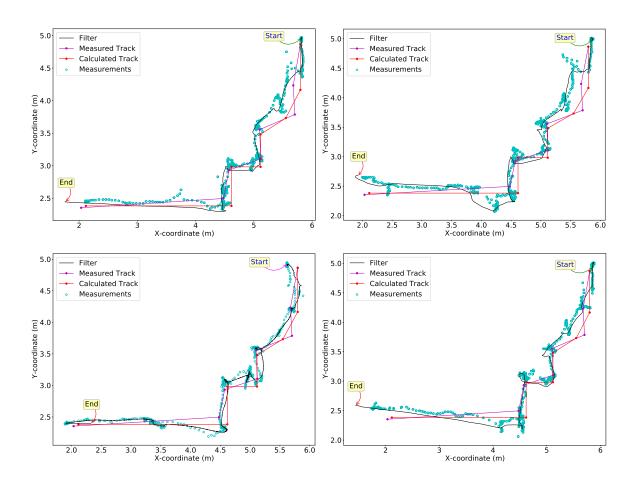


Figure 6.2: Plots of four repetitive experiments inside the energy lab

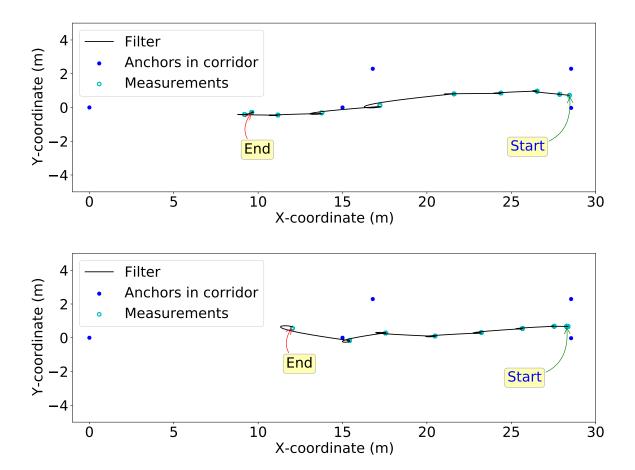


Figure 6.3: Plots of Kalman Filter In Corridor