

# Kalman Filter

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Used to estimate states in linear dynamical systems in state space format.

Evolution of state from  $k-1$  to  $k$

Process model

$$x_k = \underbrace{F}_{\substack{\text{state} \\ \text{transition} \\ \text{matrix}}} x_{k-1} + \underbrace{B}_{\substack{\text{control} \\ \text{input} \\ \text{matrix}}} u_{k-1} + \underbrace{w_{k-1}}_{\substack{\text{process} \\ \text{noise} \\ \text{vector}}}$$

↑                      ↑                      ↑  
prev state vector    control vector

↓  
Assumed gaussian with  
mean = 0  
covariance = Q

$$w_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, Q)$$

Measurements Model

relationship b/w state & measurement at current time step  $k$ .

$$z_k = \underbrace{H}_{\substack{\text{measurement} \\ \text{matrix}}} \underbrace{x_k}_{\substack{\text{state} \\ \text{vector}}} + \underbrace{v_k}_{\substack{\text{measurement} \\ \text{noise}}}$$

↑                      ↑                      ↑  
measurement vector    state vector    measurement noise

$v_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, R)$   
↑                      ↑  
mean    cov

What does a Kalman Filter really do?

Provide estimate of  $x_k$  at time  $k$ ,  
given a series of measurements  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_k$   
init state  $x_0$  &  $F, B, H, Q, R$  (system params).

# Kalman Filter Algorithm

"Predict" stage

predicted state estimate  $\rightarrow \hat{x}_k^- = F \hat{x}_{k-1}^+ + B u_{k-1}$  (1)

predicted error covariance  $\rightarrow P_k^- = F P_{k-1}^+ F^T + Q$  (2)

"Update" stage

measurement residual  $\rightarrow \tilde{y}_k = z_k - H \hat{x}_k^-$  (3)

Kalman gain  $\rightarrow K_k = P_k^- H^T (R + H P_k^- H^T)^{-1}$  (4)

updated state estimate  $\rightarrow \hat{x}_k^+ = \hat{x}_k^- + K_k \tilde{y}_k$  (5)

updated error covariance  $\rightarrow P_k^+ = (I - K_k H) P_k^-$  (6)

$\hat{\cdot}$  ← estimated value

$^+$  ← just after timestep

$^-$  ← just before timestep

# Number of computations

predict

~~432 FLOPs~~

No. of ~~vars~~ state var = 6

per matmul

258 FLOPs

$P, F, B, R, Q \rightarrow 6 \times 6$  matrices ~~per inversion~~

step ①  $\rightarrow 6$  MACs + 6 MACs + 36 adds

= 12 MACs + 36 add

$144 + 36 = 180$  FLOPs

step ②  $\rightarrow 2$  matMul( $6 \times 6$ ) + 36 adds

$2 \times 432$

+ 36

900 FLOPs

step ③  $\rightarrow 6$  MACs + 6 add

42 FLOPs

step ④  $\rightarrow 4$  matMul( $6 \times 6$ ) + 36 add

$4 \times 432$

36

+ 1 mat Inv( $6 \times 6$ )

~~258~~ 258

step ⑤  $\rightarrow 6$  add + 6 MACs

6

12

2022 FLOPs

18 FLOPs

step ⑥  $\rightarrow 2$  matmul( $6 \times 6$ ) + 36 adds

$2 \times 432$

+ 36

900 FLOPs