

Lecture on Kalman Filter

ESP 3201

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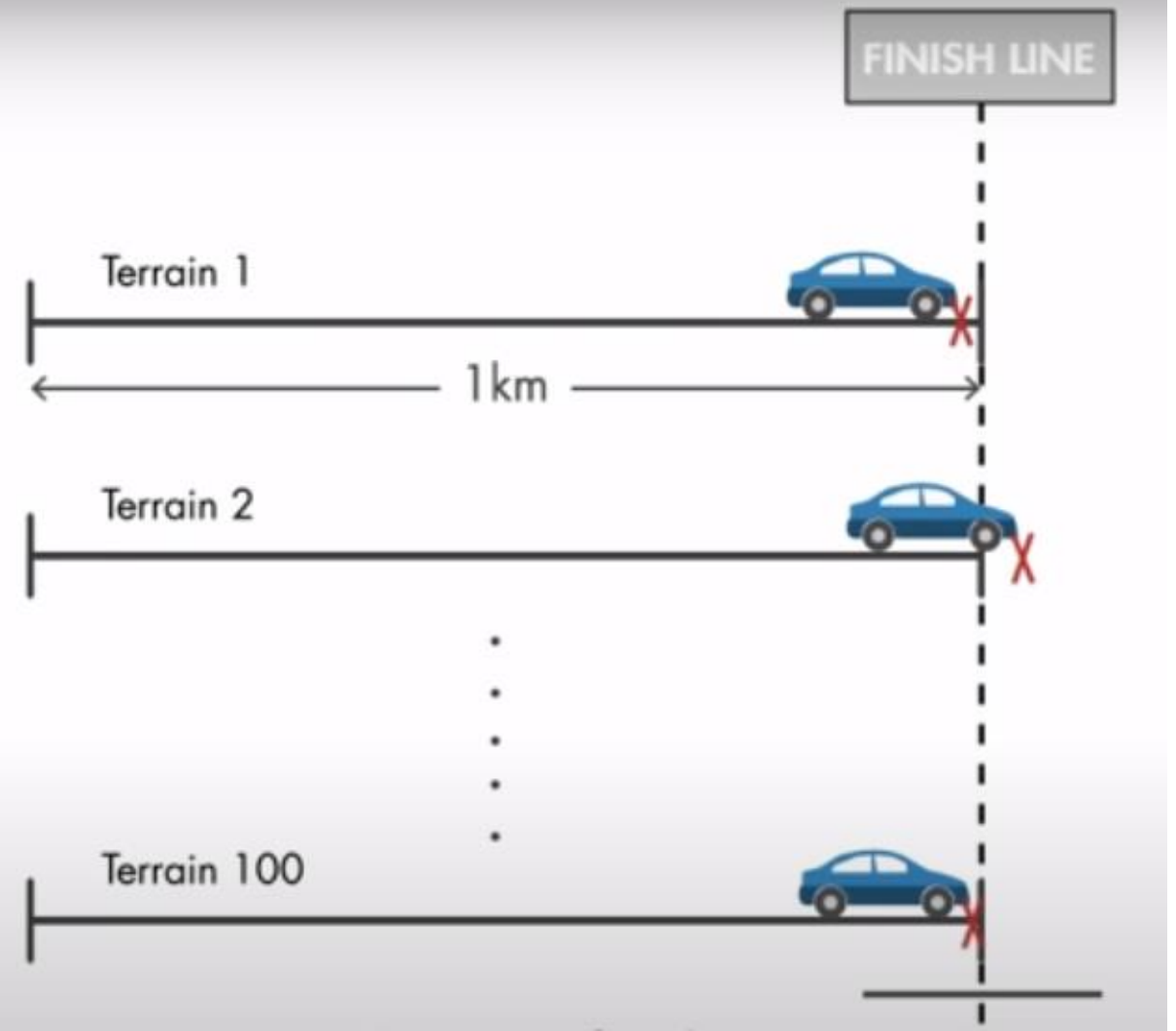
Using Kalman Filter to estimate the position



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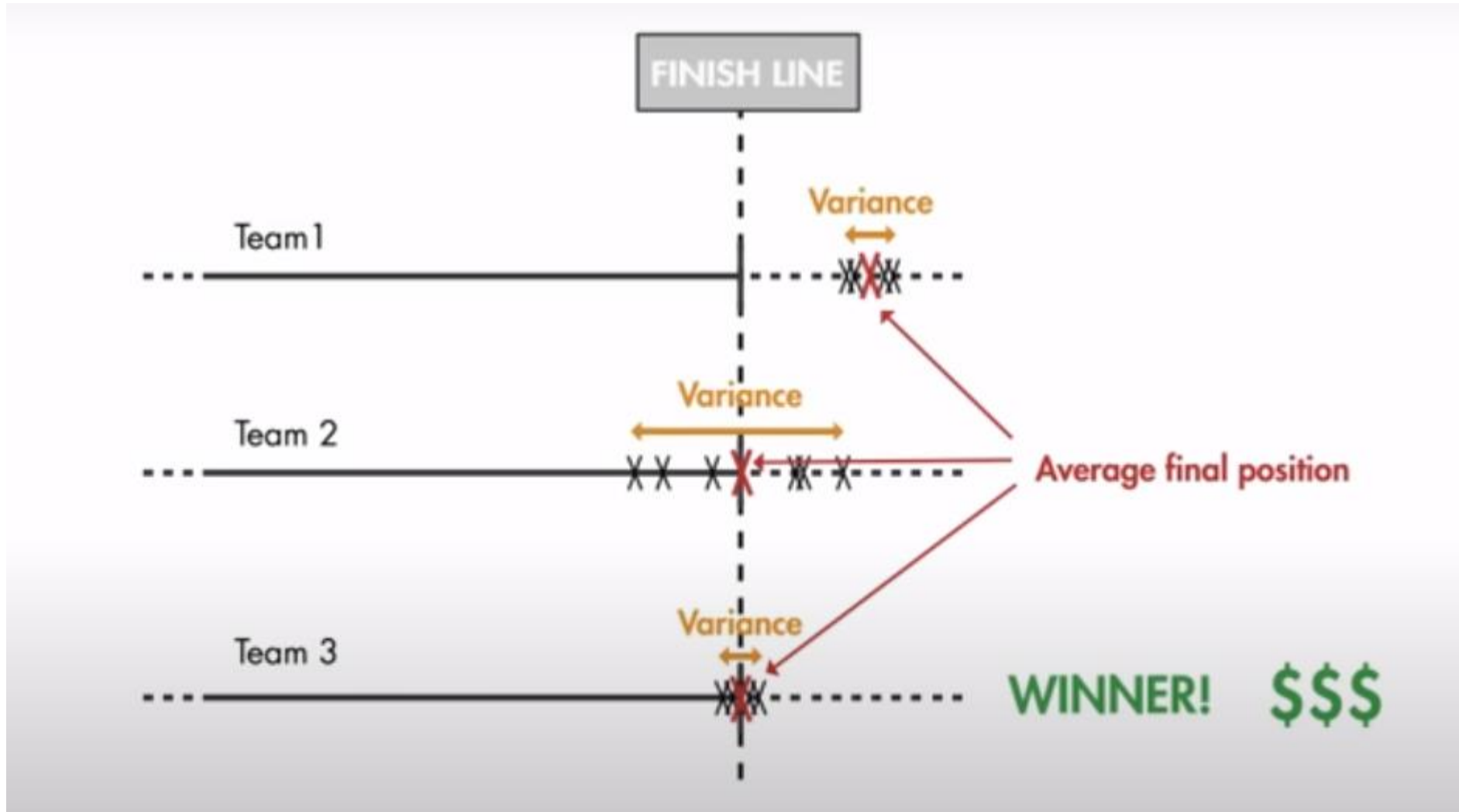
Self-driving car
locates itself using GPS



The estimated position has to be with the smallest variance and best final position



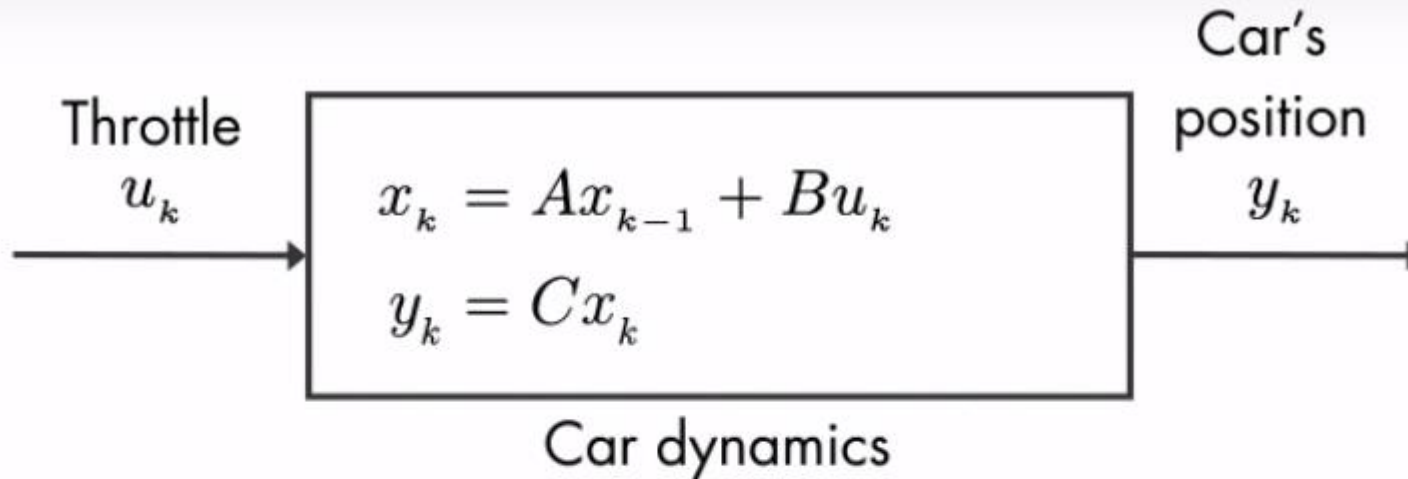
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Mathematical model of the car



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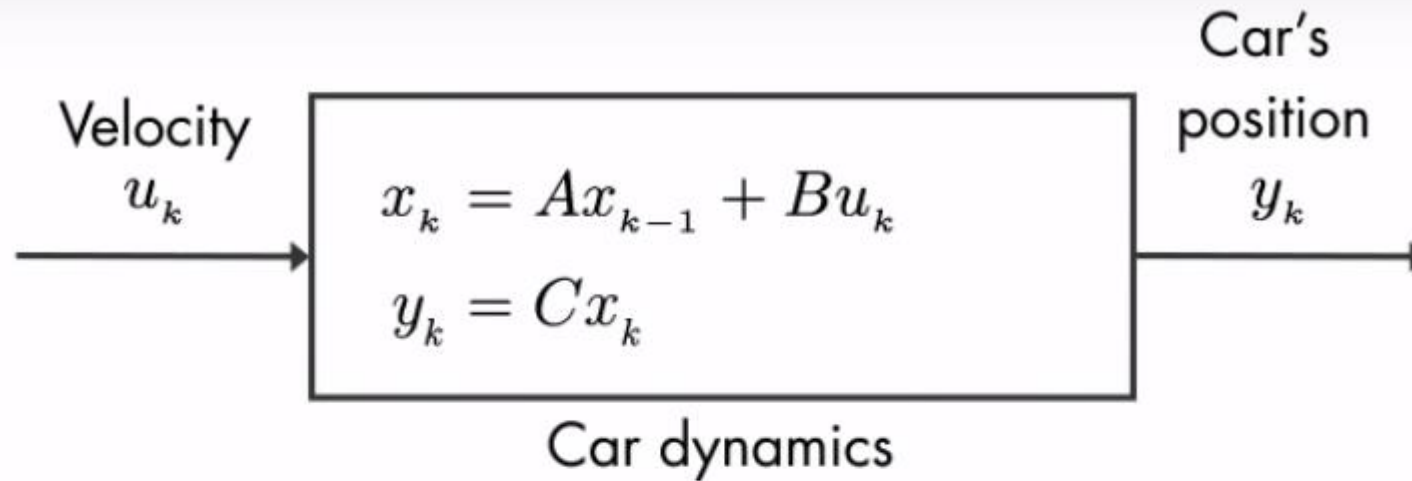


$$x_k = \begin{bmatrix} \text{velocity} \\ \text{position} \end{bmatrix}$$

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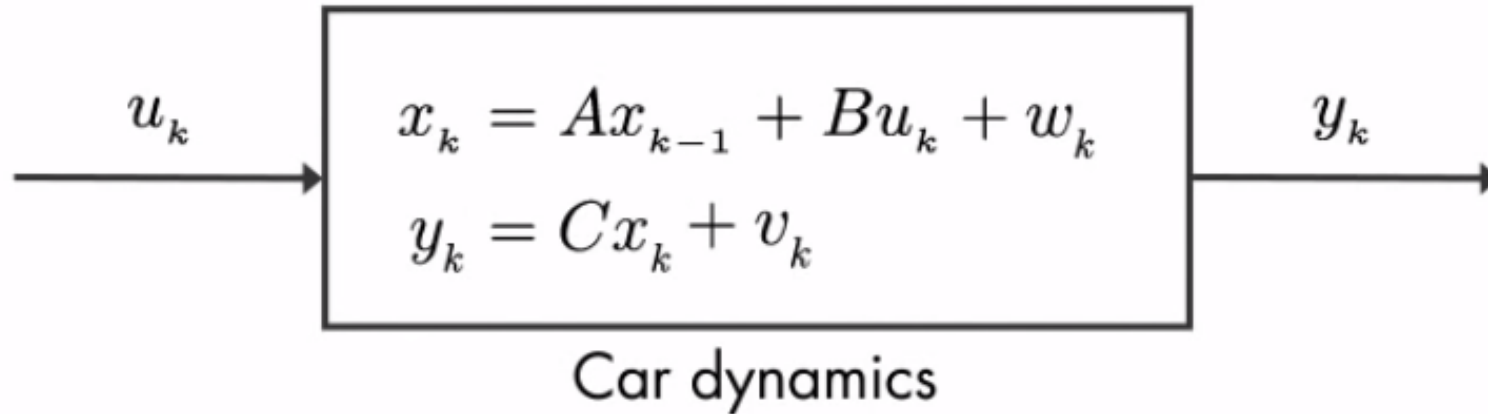
$$x_k = [position]$$

$$C = 1$$

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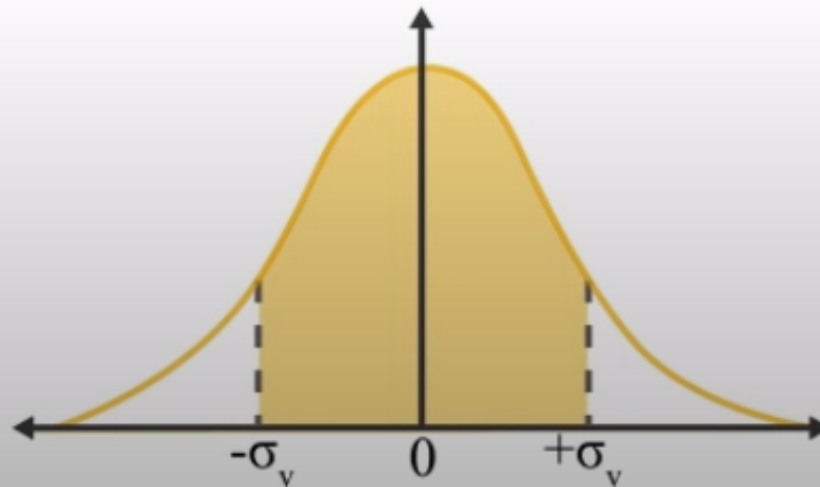


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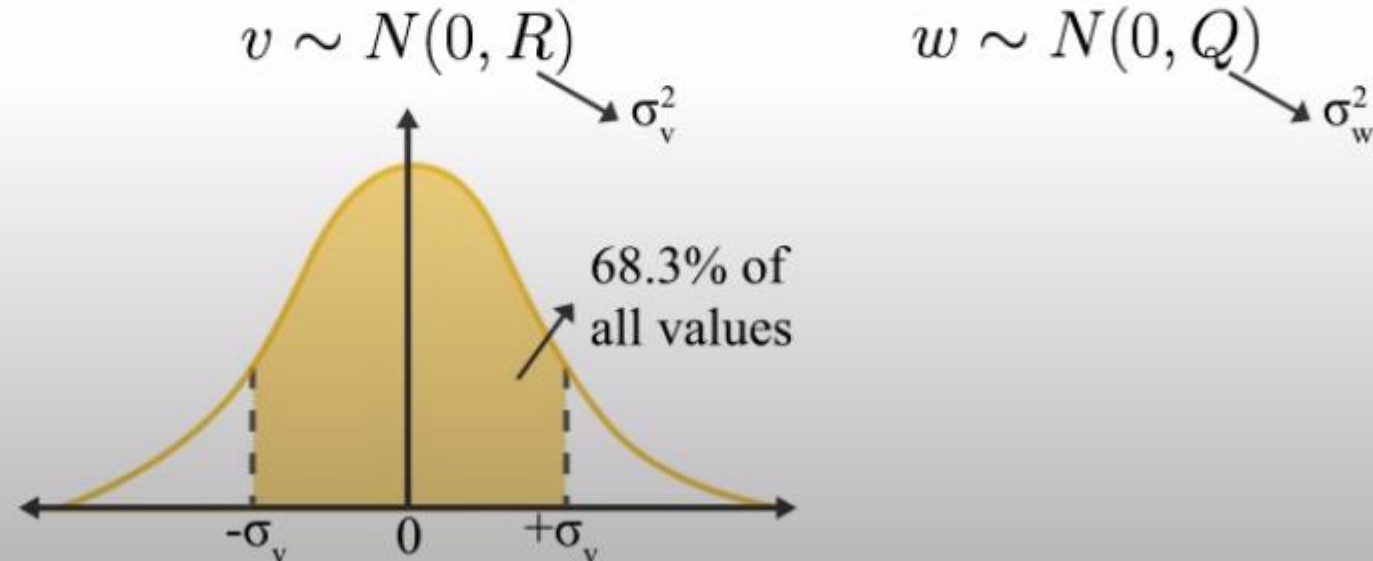
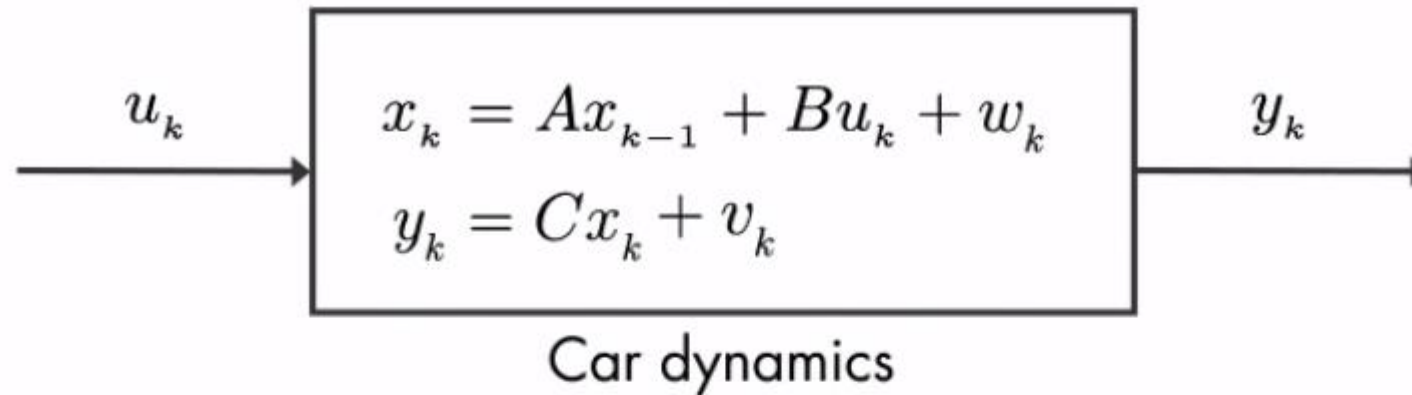
W – process noise
(e.g. wind, changes in car velocity)
 V - measurement noise (e.g.
instrument error);

$$v \sim N(0, R)$$

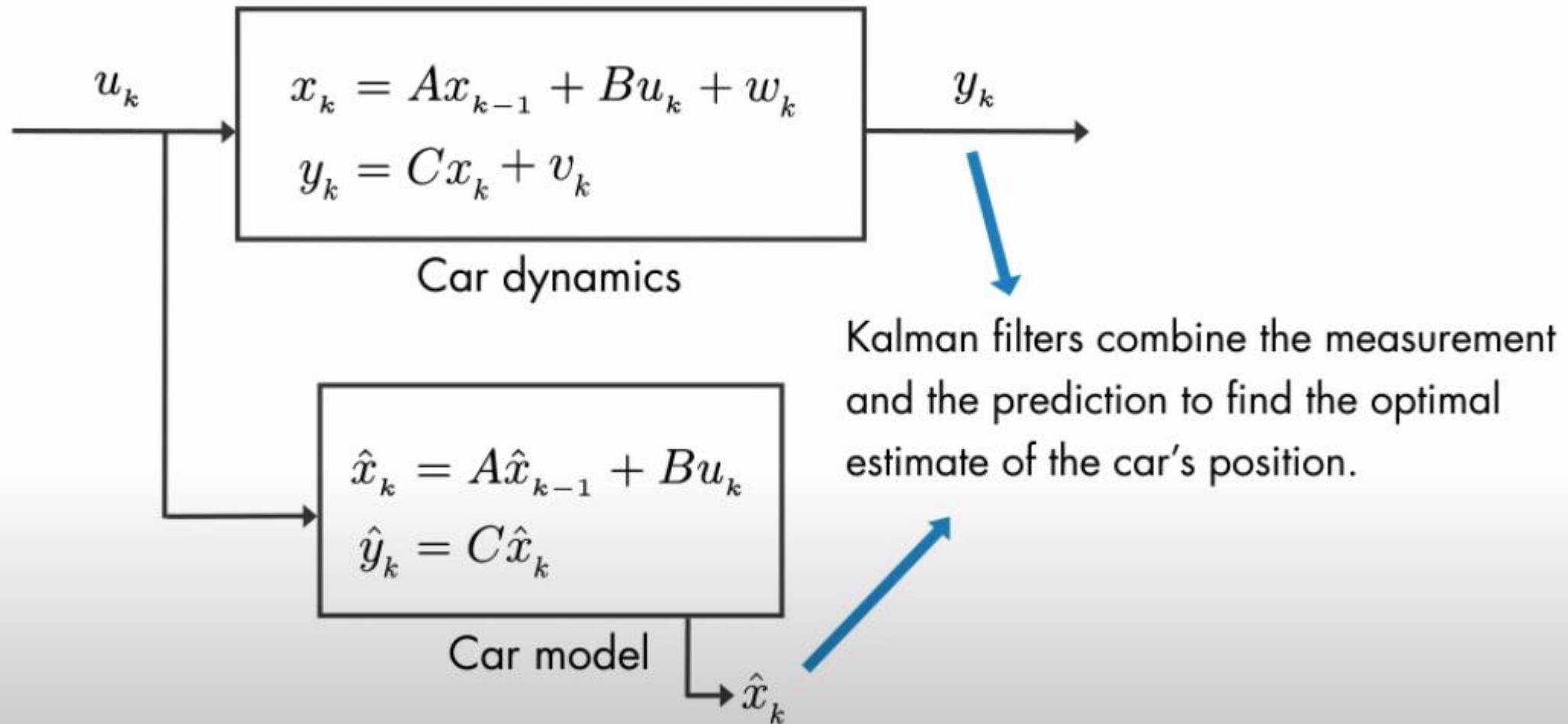


Typically use Gaussian distribution.
Zero mean and covariance R

Mathematical model of the car Optimal State Estimate

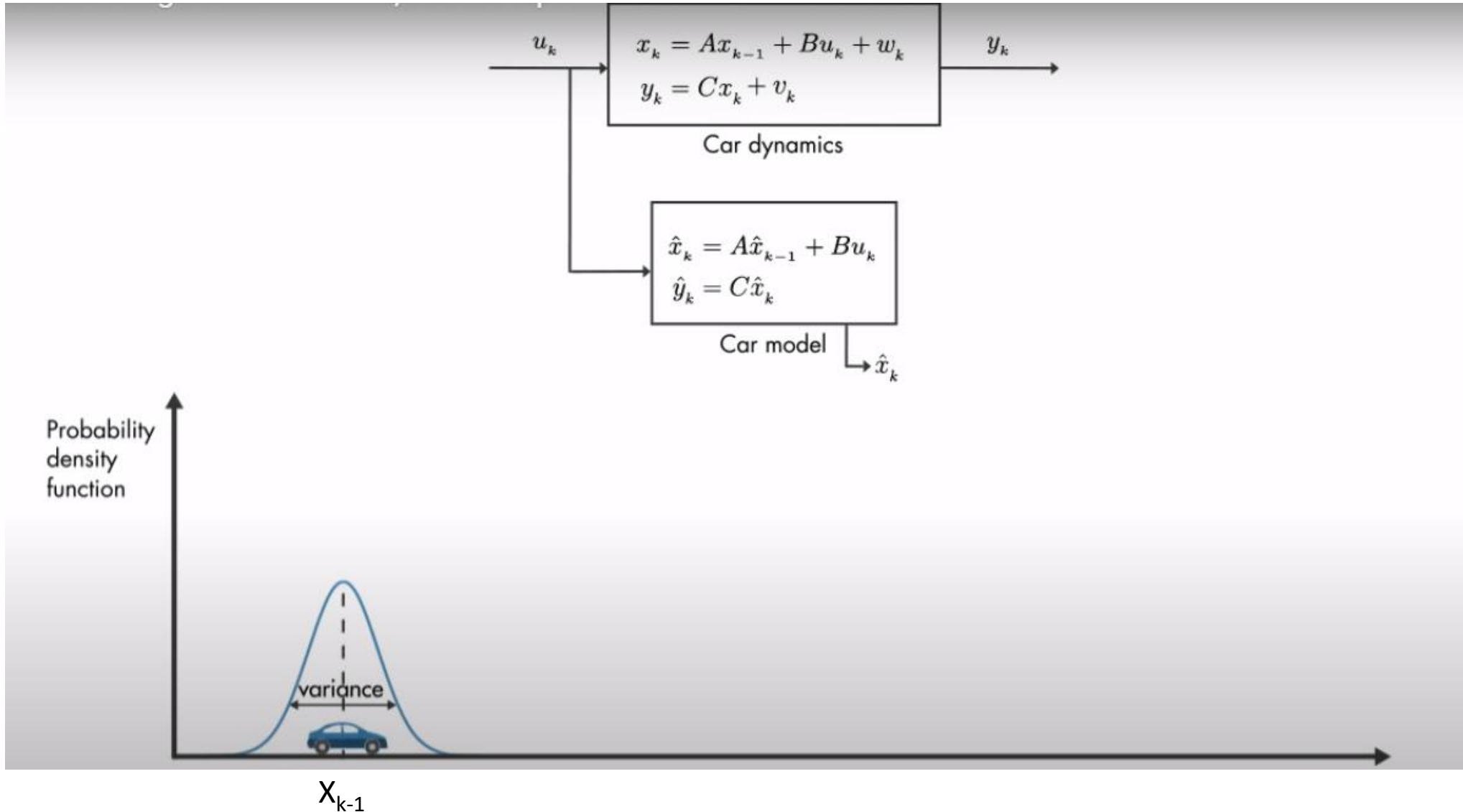


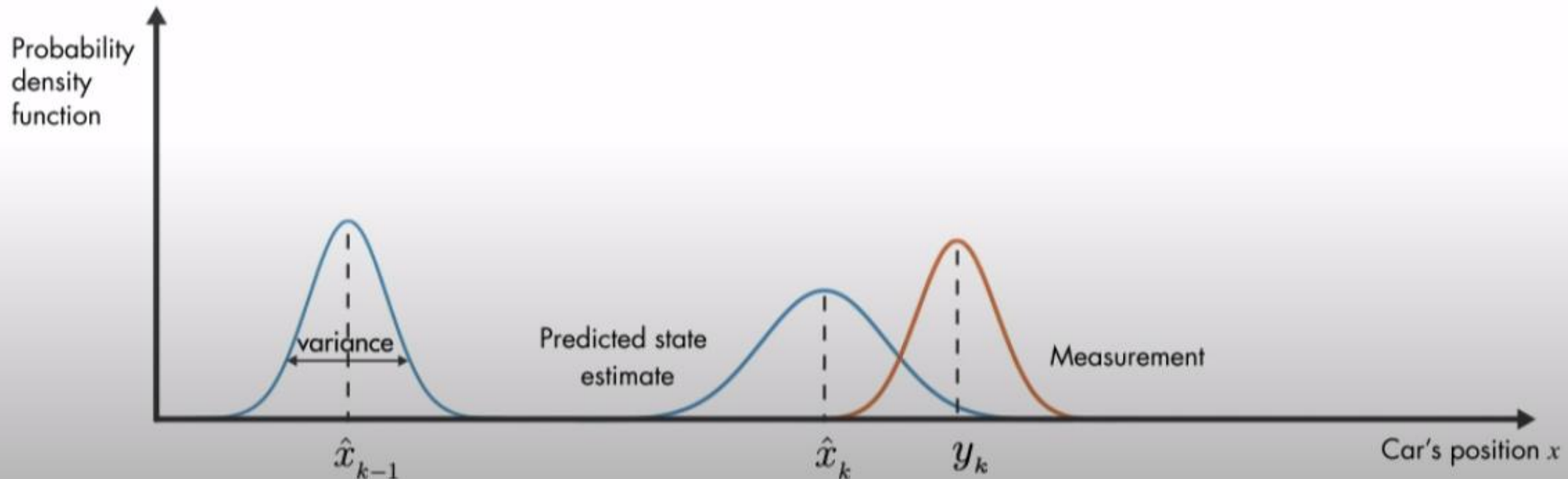
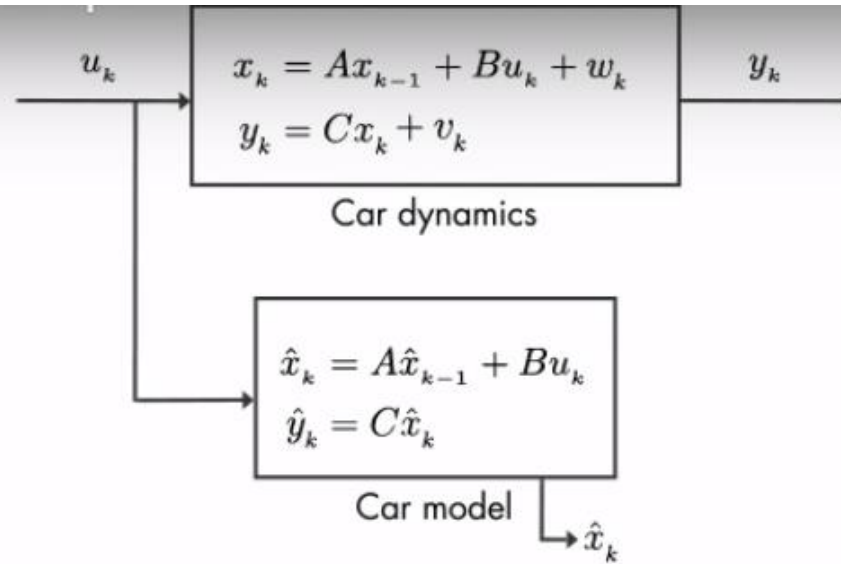
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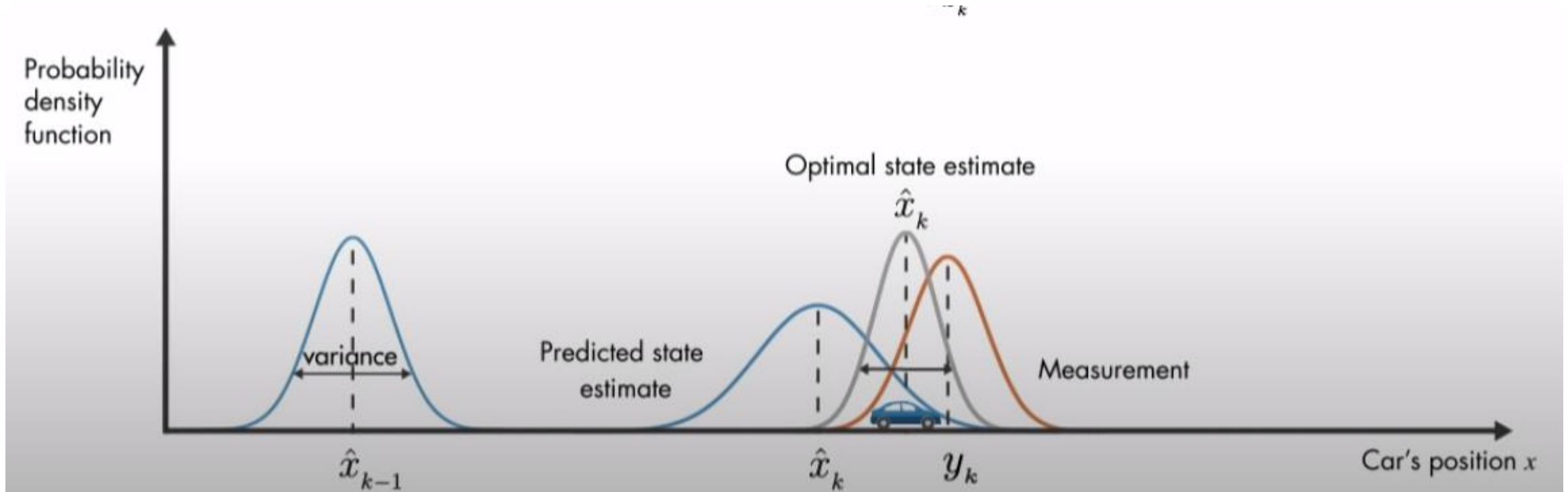
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Optimal State Estimate





Mathematical model of the car Optimal State Estimate



Implementing the Kalman Filter Algorithm

State observer

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = A\hat{x}_k + Bu_k + K(y_k - C\hat{x}_k)$$

Kalman filter

$$\hat{x}_k = A\hat{x}_{k-1} + Bu_k + K_k(y_k - C(A\hat{x}_{k-1} + Bu_k))$$

Notice that the Kalman filter and the state observer equation (see earlier slides) are the same. Kalman filter is a type of state observer. The state observer is a deterministic system and Kalman filter is a stochastic system

Implementing the Kalman Filter Algorithm



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Kalman filter

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Kalman filter

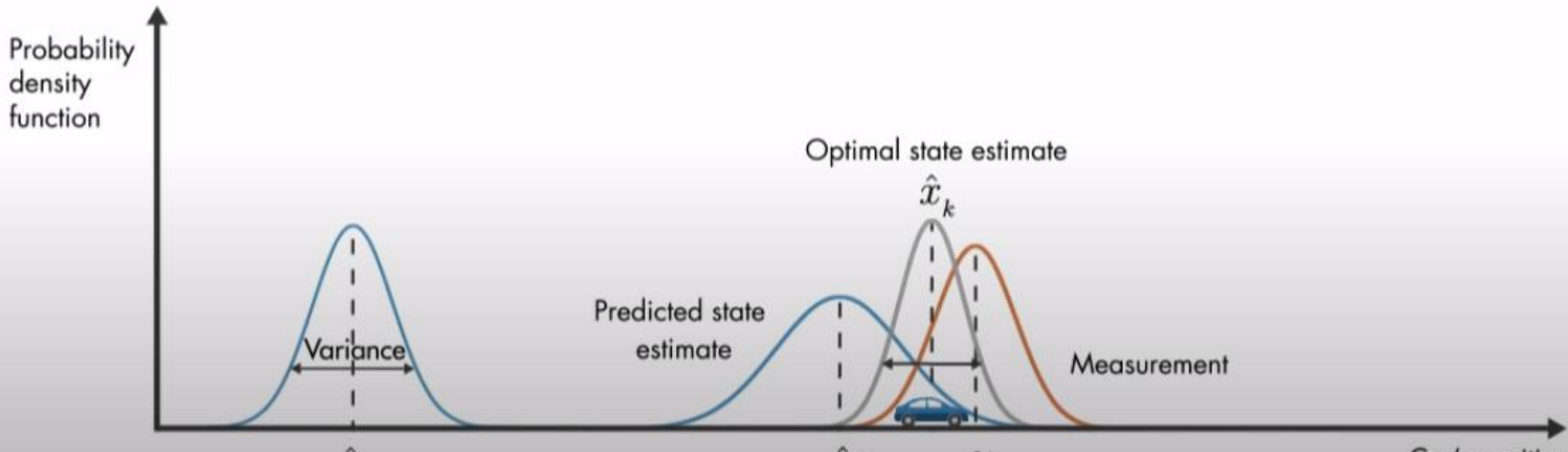
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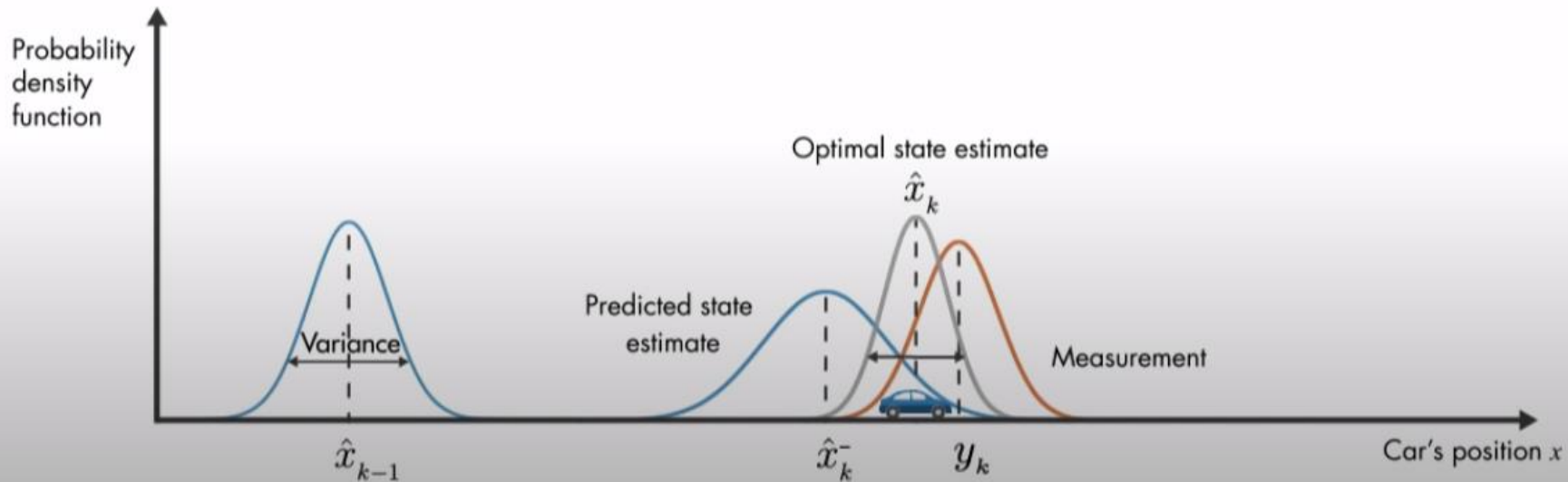
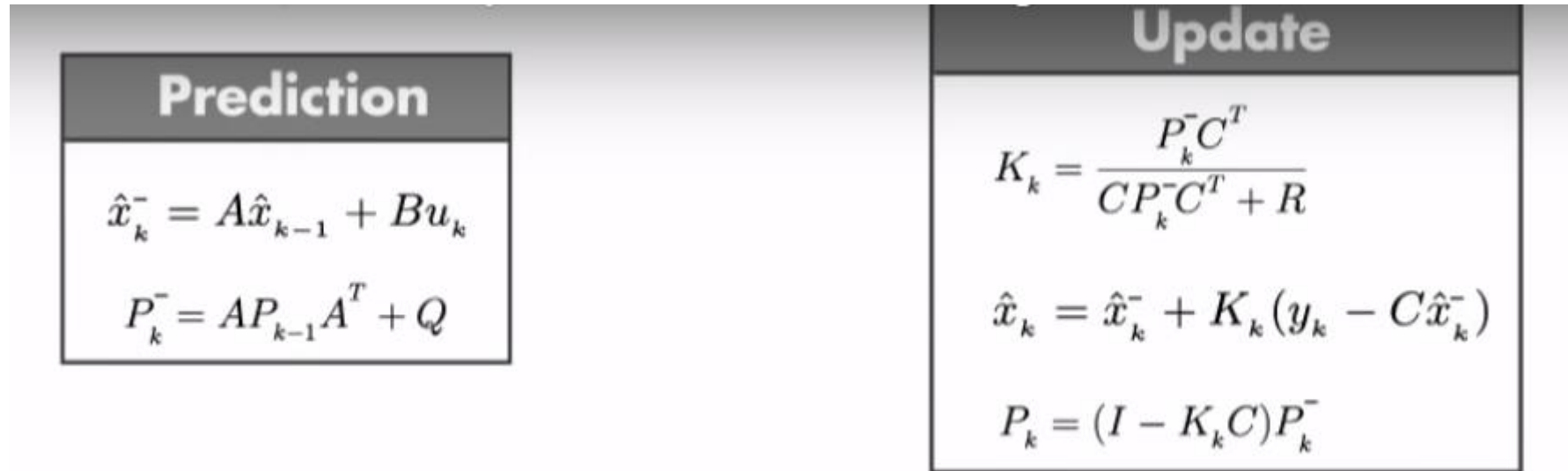
Kalman filter

A Posteriori Estimate

$$\hat{\hat{x}}_k = \underbrace{\hat{x}_k^-}_{\text{Predict}} + \underbrace{K_k (y_k - C \hat{x}_k^-)}_{\text{Update}}$$



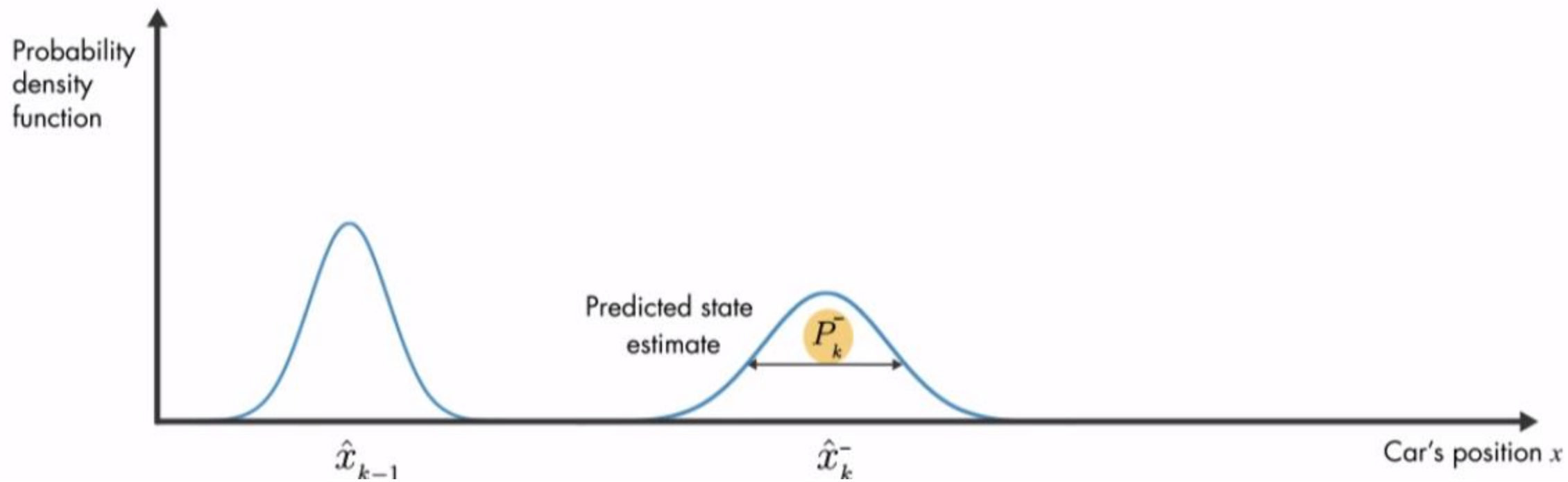
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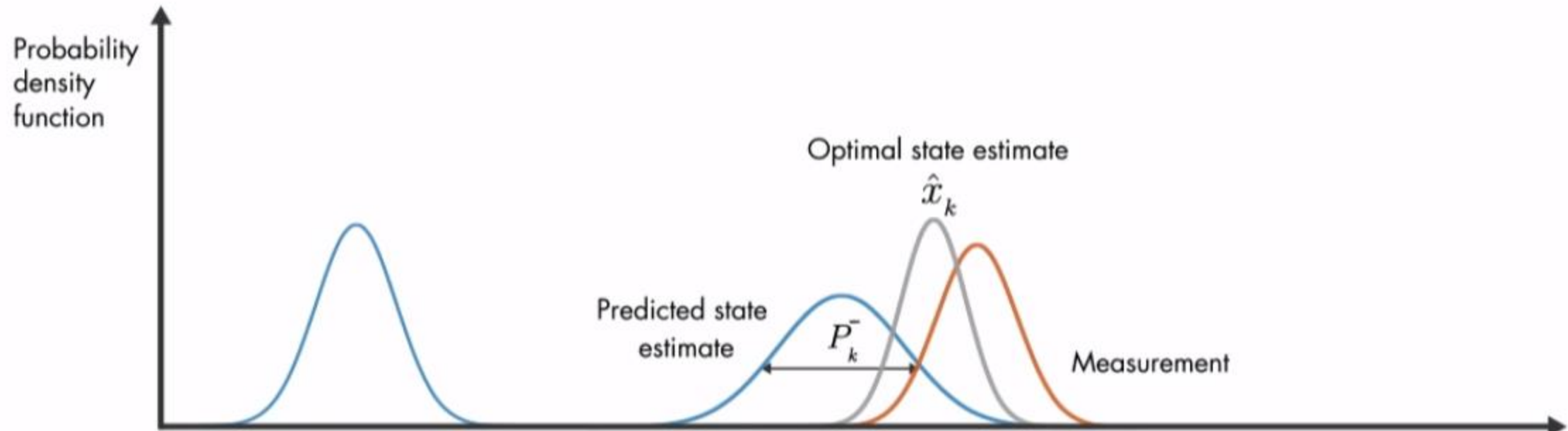
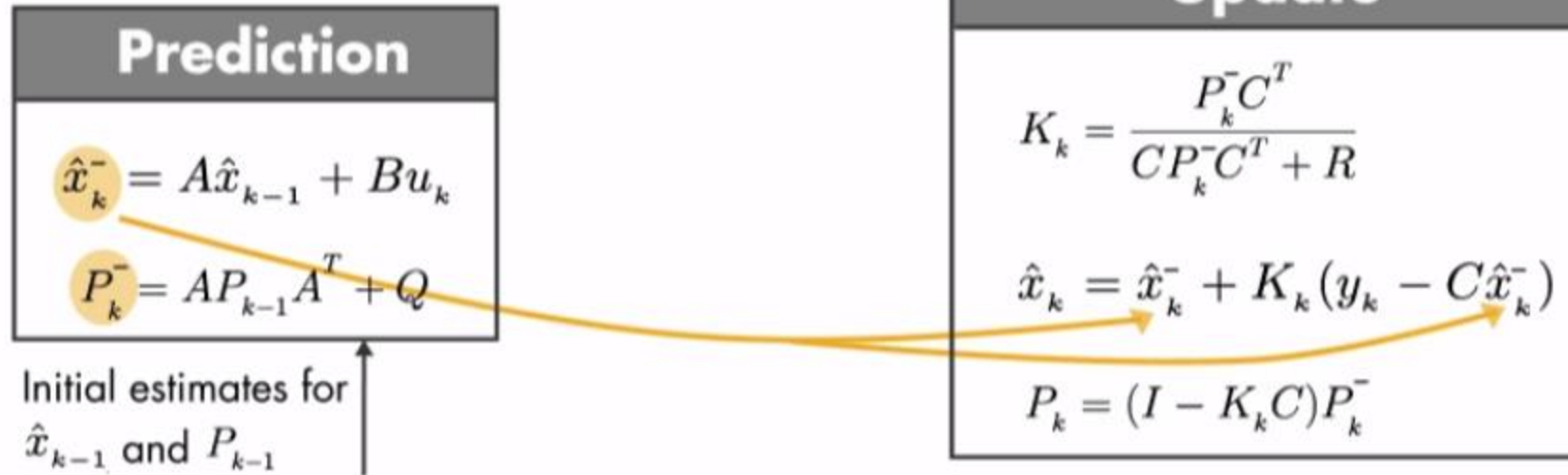


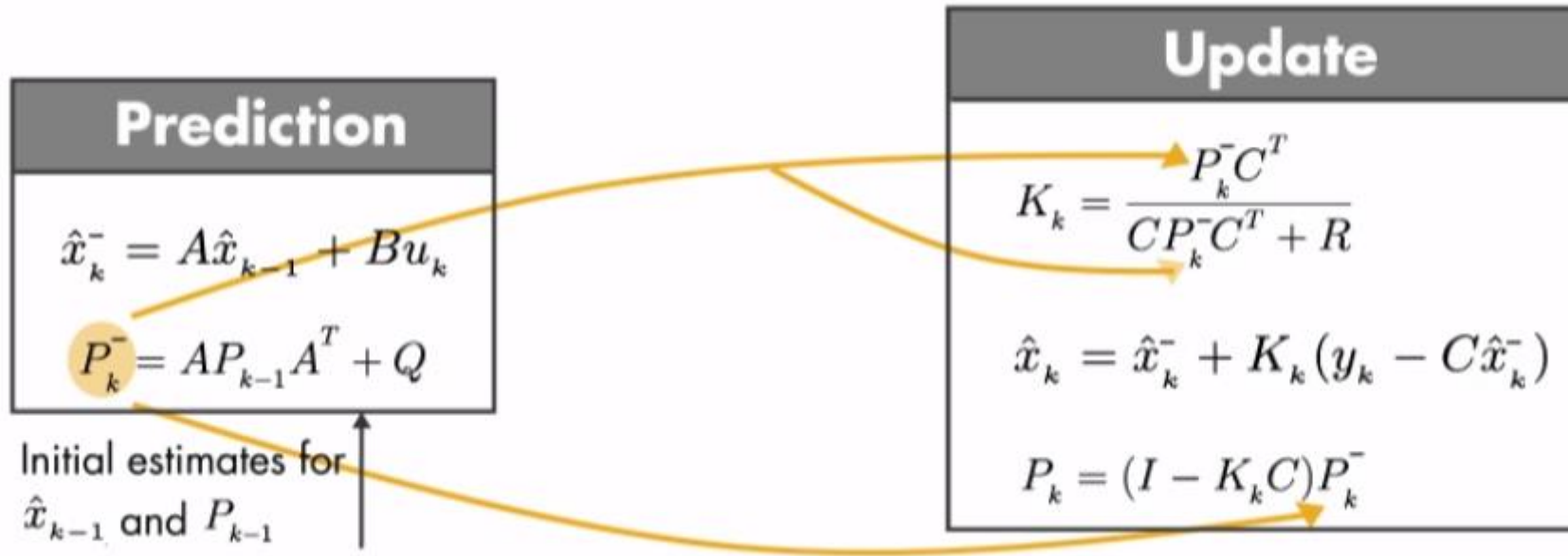
Prediction

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$$P_k^- = AP_{k-1}A^T + Q$$









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Initial estimates for
 \hat{x}_{k-1} and P_{k-1}



Update

$$K_k = \frac{P_k^- C^T}{CP_k^- C^T + R}$$

$$\hat{x}_k = \hat{x}_k^- + K_k (y_k - C\hat{x}_k^-)$$

$$P_k = (I - K_k C)P_k^-$$



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Calculation of \hat{x}_k



■ \hat{x}_k^-
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Calculation of \hat{x}_k



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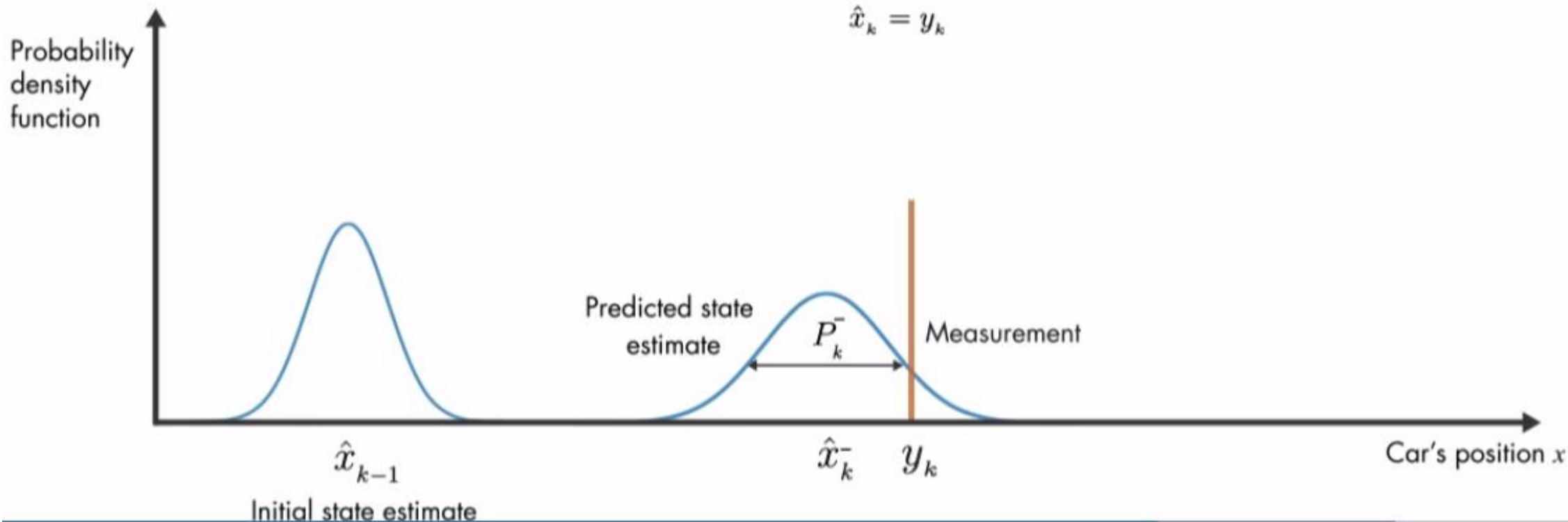
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■ \hat{x}_k^-
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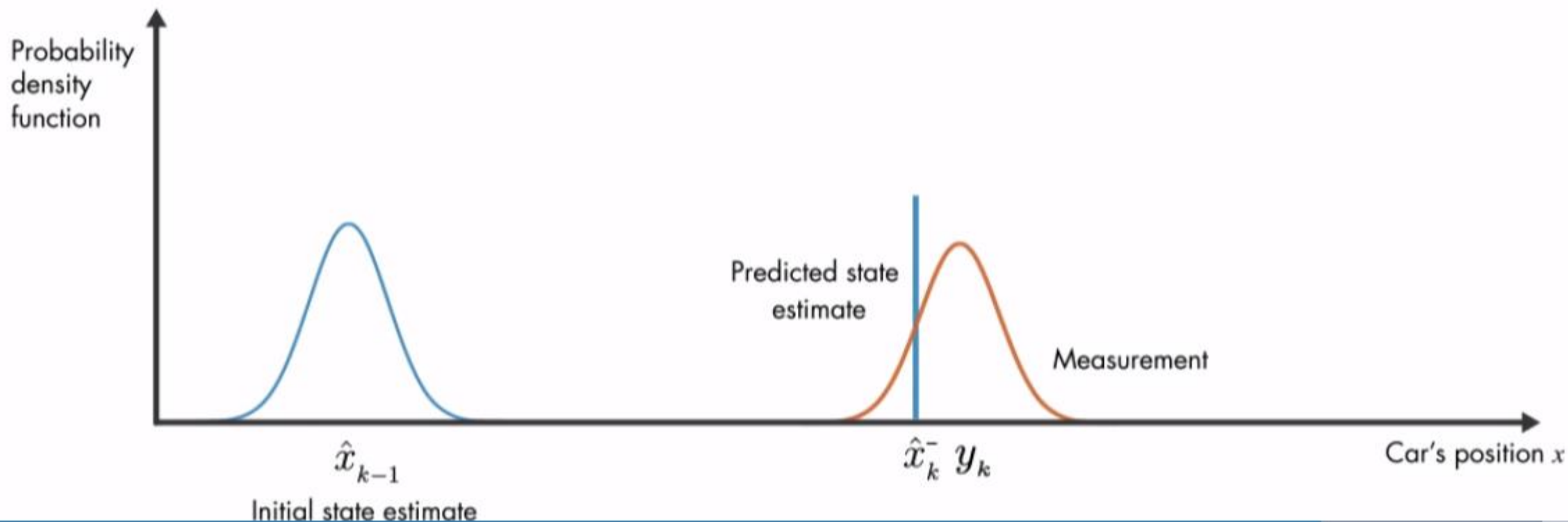


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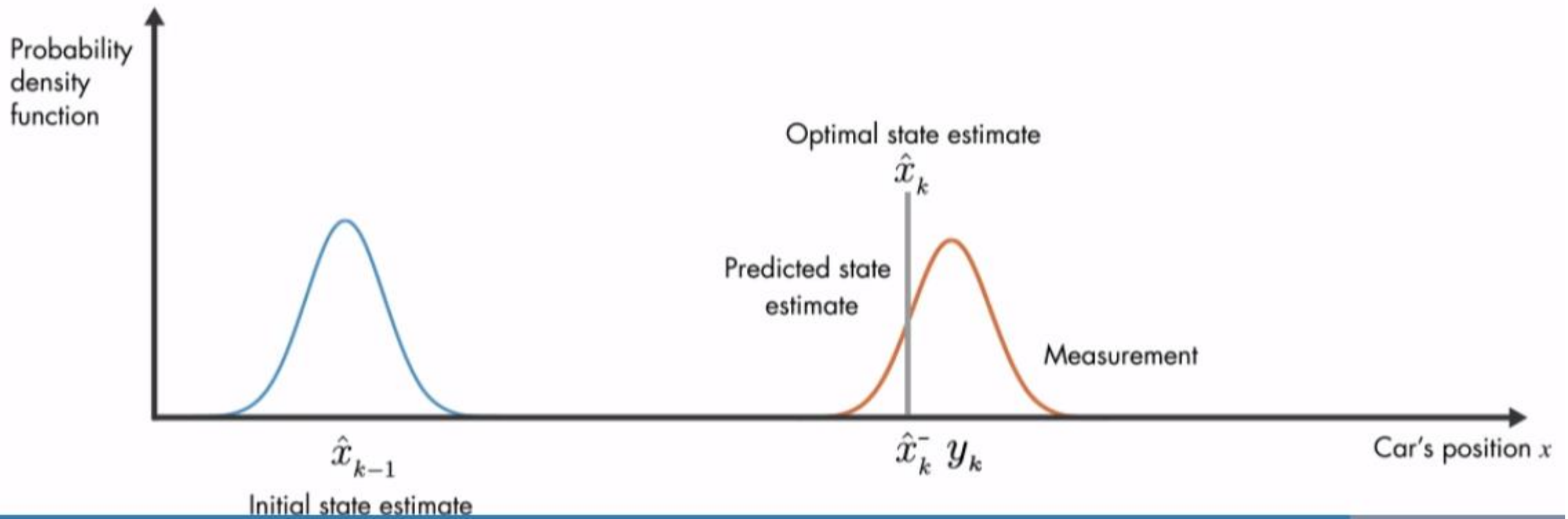


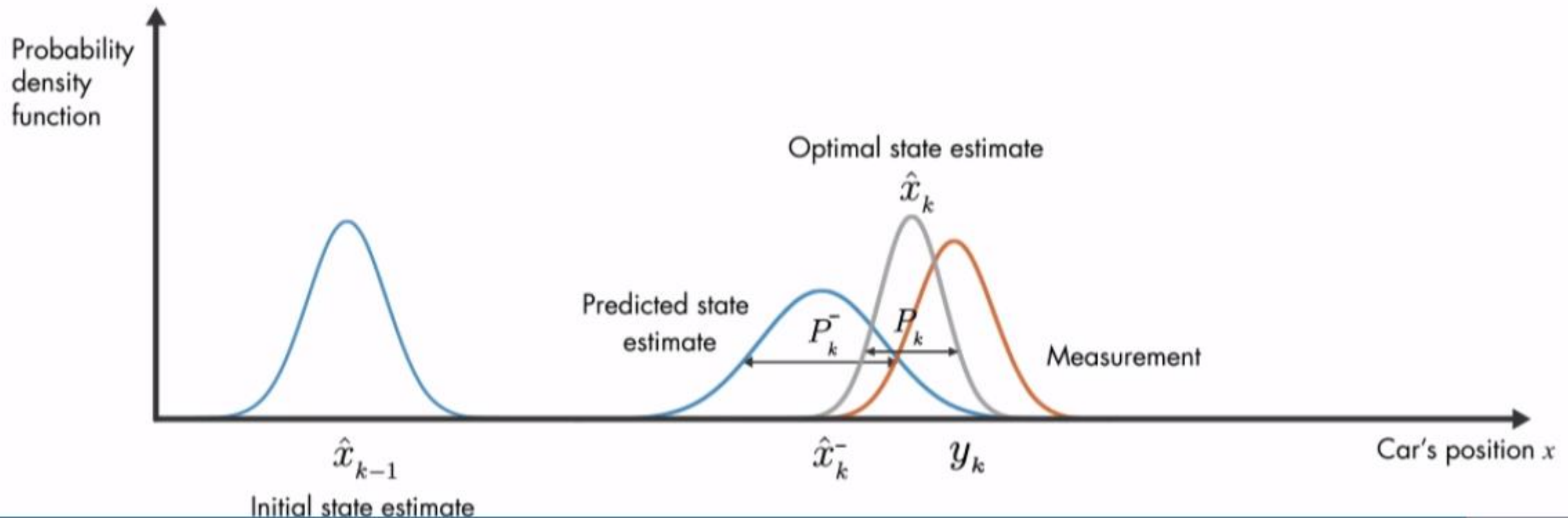
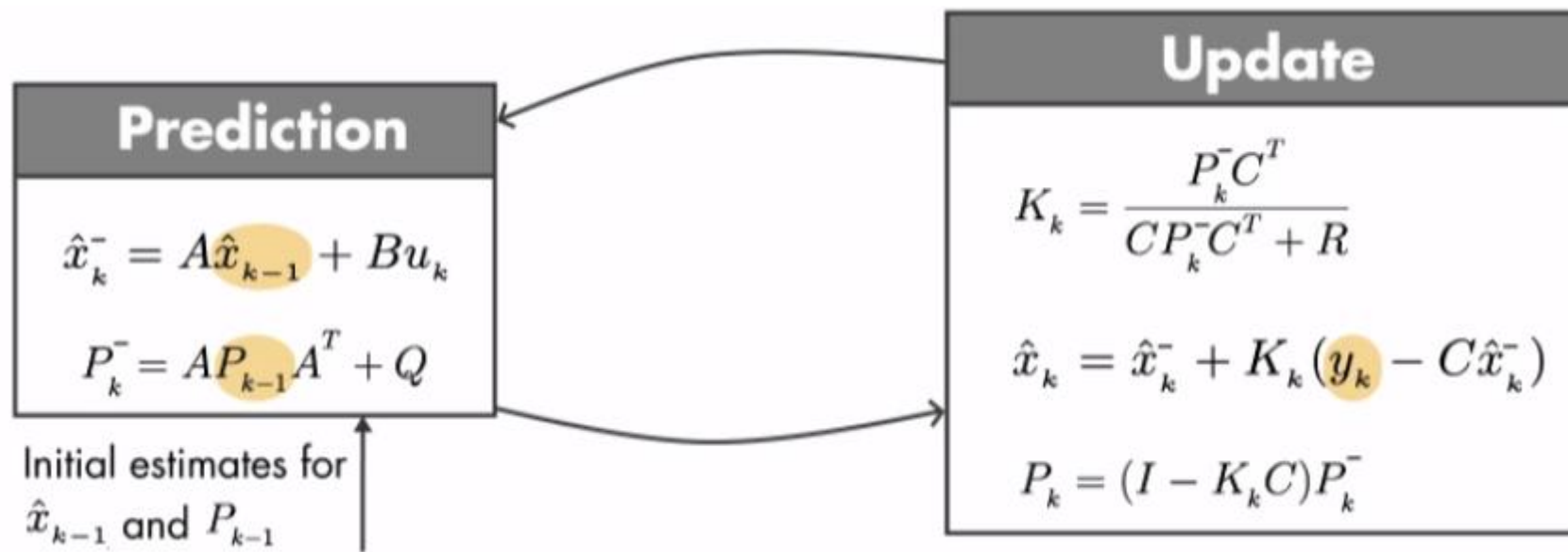
\hat{x}_k^-
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How Kalman filter can be used as for sensor fusion?

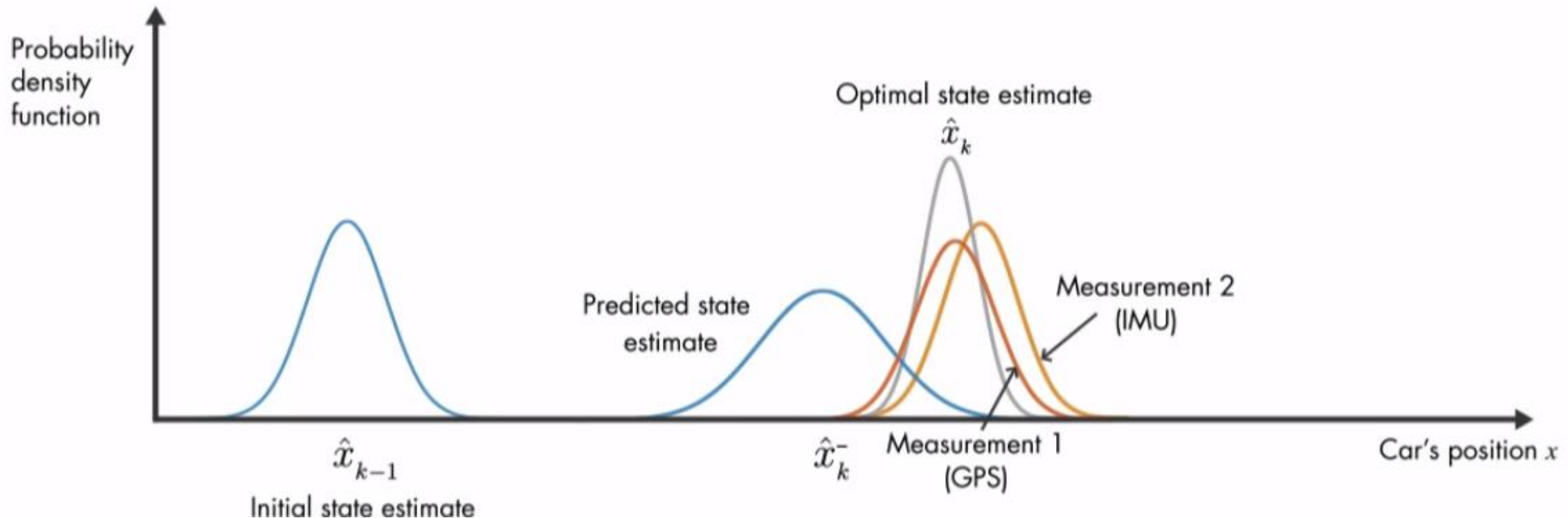
What is sensor fusion?

Kalman Filter Algorithm for Sensor Fusion



Sensor fusion

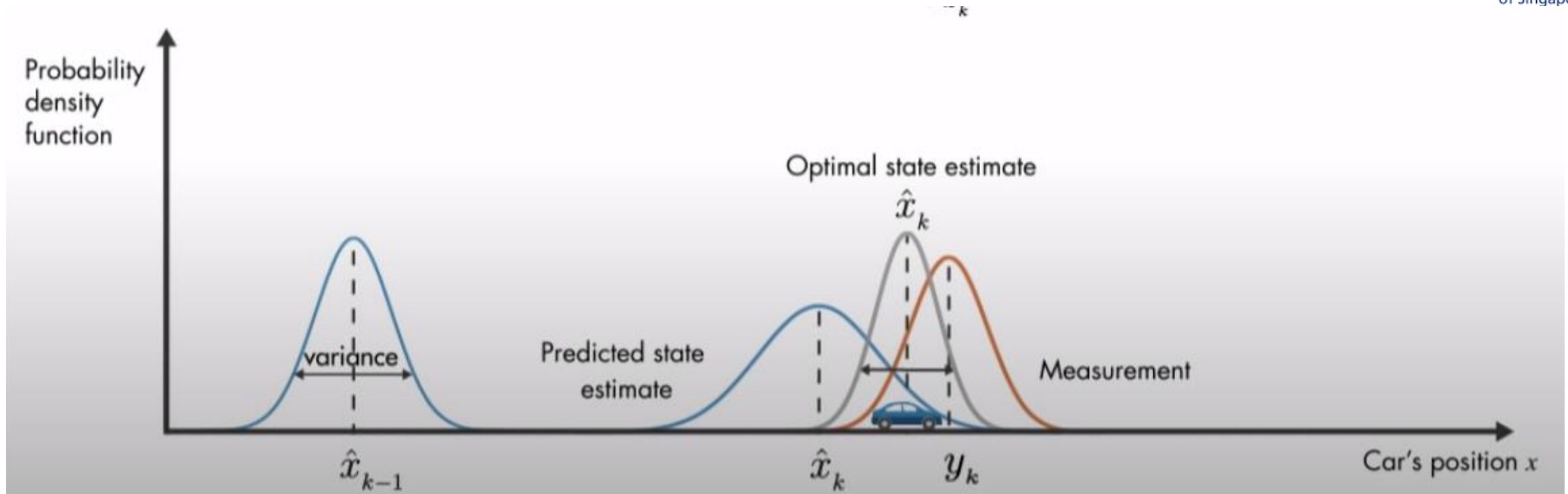
$$\hat{x}_{k[1 \times 1]} = \hat{x}_{k[1 \times 1]}^- + K_{k[1 \times 2]}(y_{k[2 \times 1]} - C_{[2 \times 1]} \hat{x}_{k[1 \times 1]}^-)$$



Optimal Kalman Filter estimator



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However, most real world problems are nonlinear
i.e. how can we use Kalman filter in non-linear
systems?

Kalman Filter Algorithm for Nonlinear System



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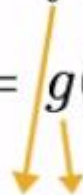
Kalman filters are defined for linear systems.

$$x_k = Ax_{k-1} + Bu_k + w_k$$

$$y_k = Cx_k + v_k$$

$$x_k = f(x_{k-1}, u_k) + w_k$$

$$y_k = g(x_k) + v_k$$



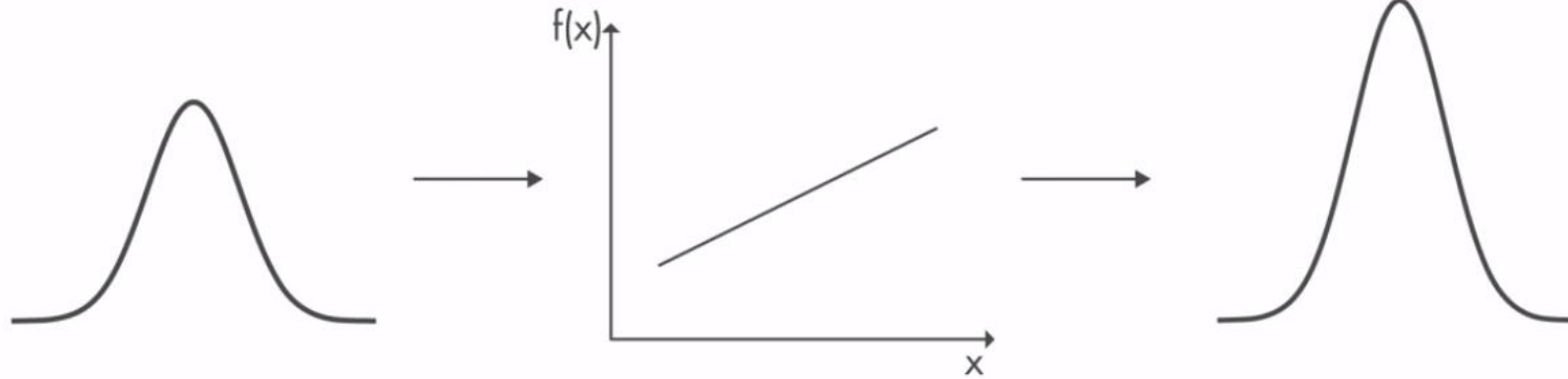
Nonlinear functions

Kalman Filter Algorithm for Nonlinear System

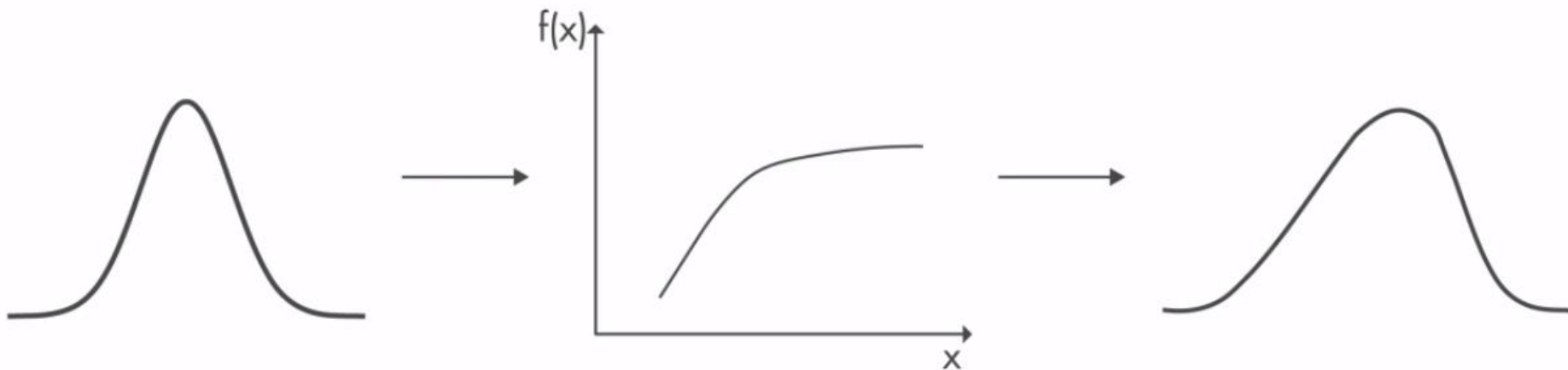


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Linear transformation



Nonlinear transformation



Kalman filter algorithm
may not converge in
nonlinear function

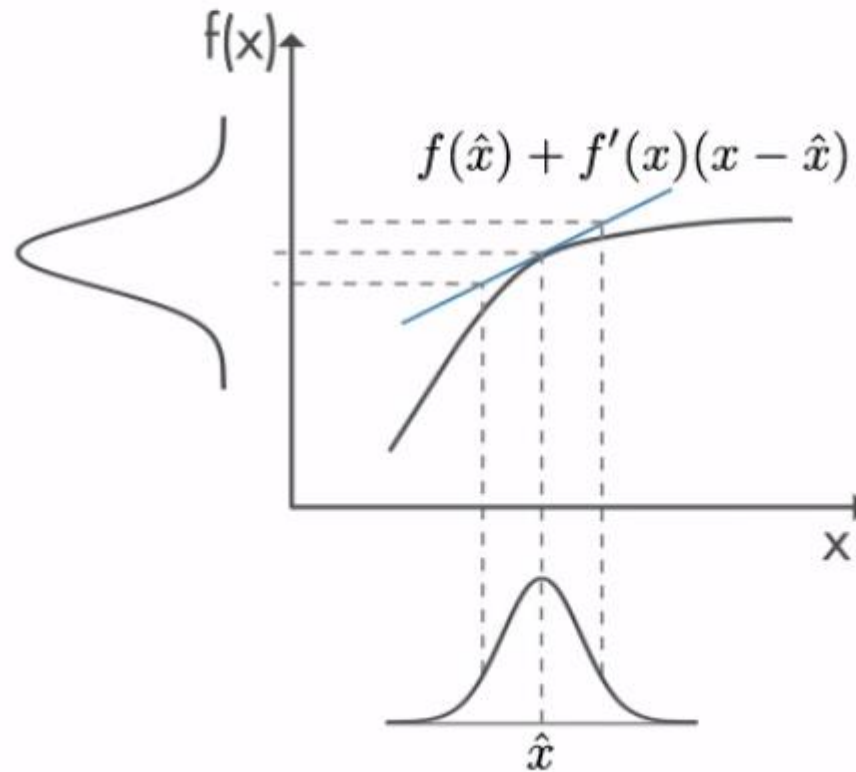
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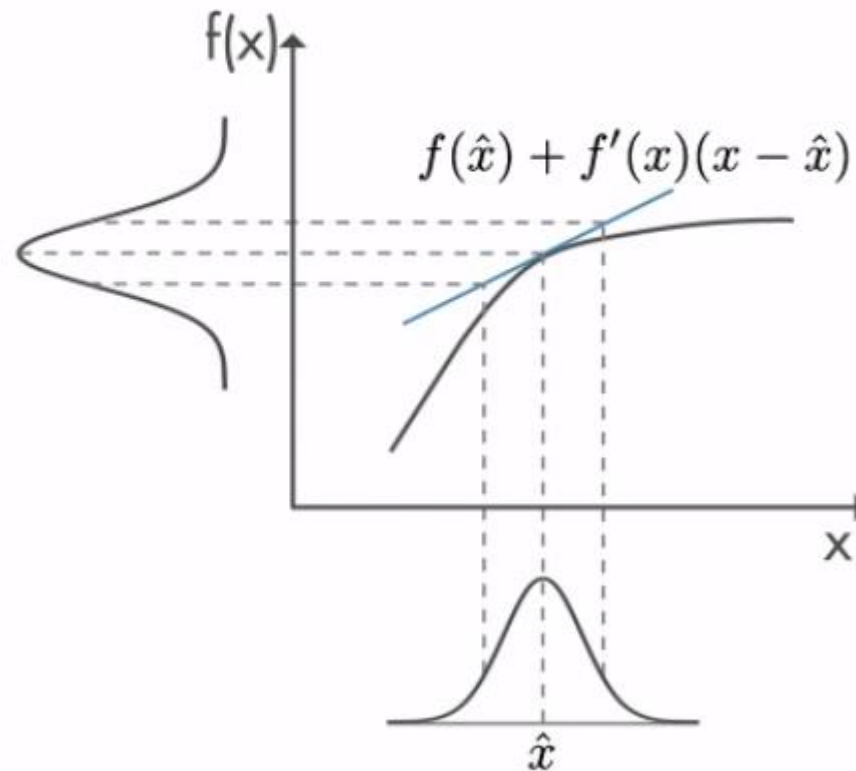
Extended Kalman Filters

Nonlinear transformation



Extended Kalman Filters

Nonlinear transformation



System:

$$x_k = f(x_{k-1}, u_k) + w_k$$

$$y_k = g(x_k) + v_k$$

Jacobians:

$$F = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_k}$$

$$G = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \Big|_{\hat{x}_k}$$

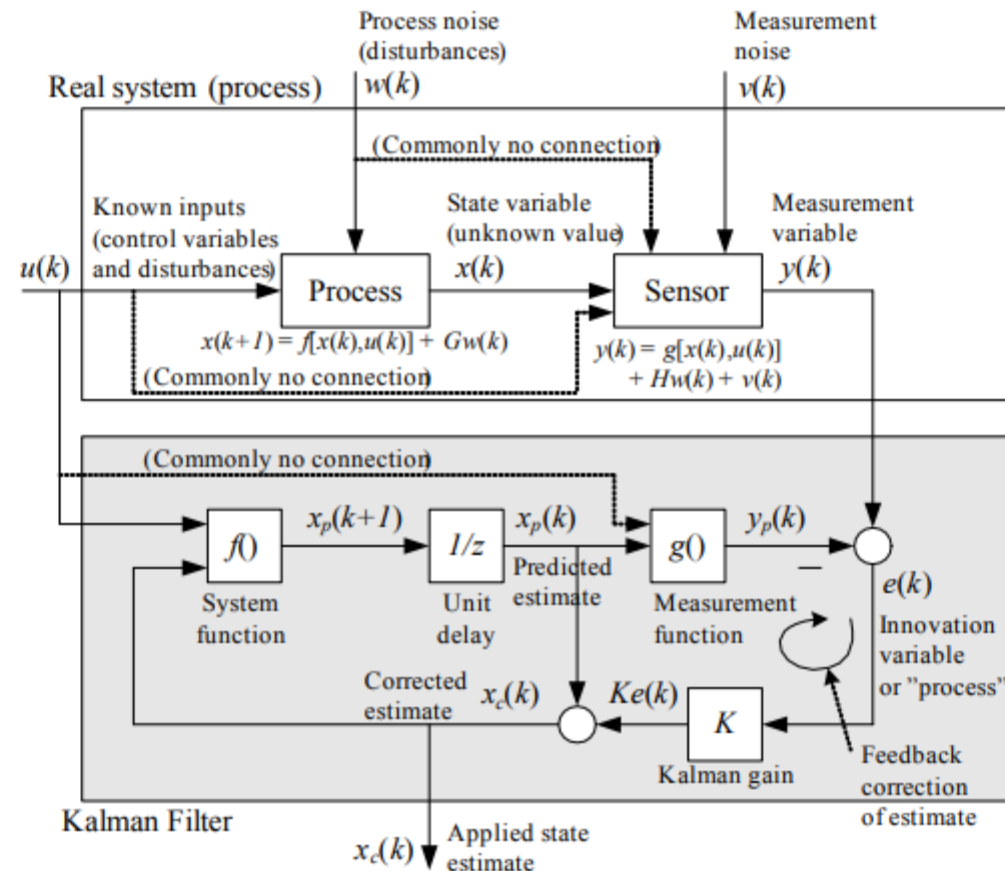
Linearized system:

$$\Delta x_k \approx F \Delta x_{k-1} + w_k$$

$$\Delta y_k \approx G \Delta x_k + v_k$$

Drawbacks to Using Extended Kalman Filters (EKF):

- It is difficult to calculate the Jacobians (if they need to be found analytically)
- There is a high computational cost (if the Jacobians can be found numerically)
- EKF only works on systems that have a differentiable model
- EKF is not optimal if the system is highly nonlinear



K = Kalman Gain
(capital K)
k = time step
(sometime t is used)
U(k) = control input at
step k.
X(k) is the state at time
step k.

Figure 8.1: The Kalman Filter algorithm (8.35) – (8.38) represented by a block diagram

Kalman filter consists of two stage process

1. Prediction stage
2. Update stage (also known as correction stage)

Kalman filter is a recursive least square estimator + a motion model (or state matrix or Process model)

Designing a Kalman Filter



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INITIAL STATE

$$X_0, P_0$$

X represents the State Matrix
P is the Process Covariance Matrix



PREVIOUS STATE

$$X_{t-1}, P_{t-1}$$

t is the iteration index
or time step



NEW PREDICTED STATE

$$X_t^p = AX_{t-1} + Bu_t + w_t$$

$$P_t^p = AP_{t-1}A^T + Q_t$$

small p represents the matrix has been
updated with a new prediction

**Prediction
stage**



REPEAT

$$X_t = X_{t-1}$$

$$P_t = P_{t-1}$$

CURRENT STATE
BECOMES
PREVIOUS STATE



CALCULATE KALMAN GAIN (K) AND MEASURED DATA (Y)

$$K = \frac{P_t^p H^T}{H P_t^p H^T + R}$$

H matrix helps transform the matrix format of P
into the format desired for the K matrix

$$Y_t = CY_t^m + Z^m$$

Y is a matrix containing measurement data (m)
C is a matrix transform to allow it be summed with Z
Z is the error term of the measurement



UPDATE PROCESS AND STATE MATRIX

$$P_t = (I - KH)P_t^p$$

$$X_t = X_t^p + K[Y - HX_t^p]$$

**Update/correction
stage**

How to tune the Kalman filter?

Q – Process noise (process auto covariance)

R - Measurement noise (or measurement noise auto-covariance).

However, adjusting Q is the more importance parameter than adjusting R (as R can be calculated). How do you adjust Q? The larger Q the larger Kalman Gain K and the stronger updating of the estimates.

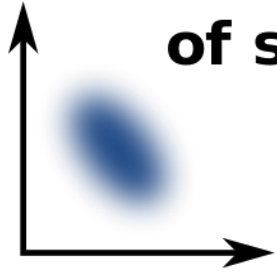
If you do not have any idea about numerical values, you can start by setting all the diagonal elements to one in the [matrix] and the rest of the [matrix] is 0.

Hence Q is $Q = Q_o [\text{Matrix}]$ where Q_o is the only tuning parameter.

And can start of trying $Q_o = 0.01$.

The time step t is replaced by k in this diagram

**Prior knowledge
of state**



$$\mathbf{P}_{k-1|k-1}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1|k-1}$$

Prediction step

Based on e.g.
physical model

Next timestep
 $k \leftarrow k + 1$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1}$$

**Prediction
stage**

Update step

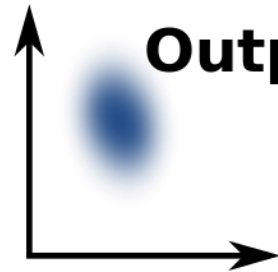
Compare prediction
to measurements

Measurements

y_k

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k}$$

**Output estimate
of state**



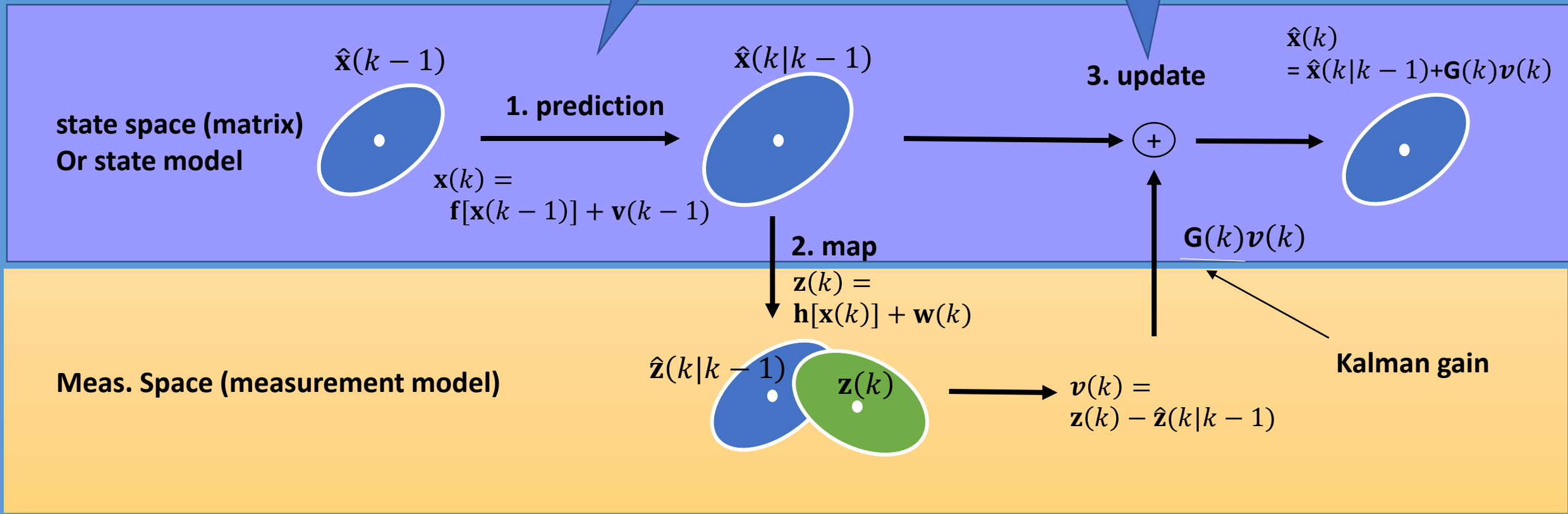
**Update/Correction
stage**



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Kalman Filter (KF)

Given $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(k-1)$, $\mathbf{z}(k)$ and their errors, to estimate $\mathbf{x}(k)$ and its error



Thank you for your attention

Please refer to the following link for more examples and explanation:

1. <https://www.coursera.org/lecture/state-estimation-localization-self-driving-cars/lesson-1-the-linear-kalman-filter-7DFmY>
2. <https://www.mathworks.com/videos/understanding-kalman-filters-part-1-why-use-kalman-filters--1485813028675.html>
3. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s_9InuQAx-g