Kalman Filter for SVO Scale Estimation

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Motivation

- SVO is performing adequately on the copter with small tuning and minor fixes
- The scale and orientation of the visual odometry is still unknown
- Kalman Filter can be applied to estimate scale and orientation, how ever, pose of the copter needs to be estimated first

Premises

- Normal EKF equations for the update, we will list the models used
- State $S = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{copter}^{1\times4} & P_{position}^{1\times3} & V_{velocity}^{1\times3} & s_{svo} & Q_{svo}^{1\times4} \end{bmatrix}^T$
- $\bullet \ P = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix}$
- $\bullet \ V = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & z \end{bmatrix}$

Prediction

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$$G = \Delta tBU$$

Acceleration update

- Measurement is the accelerations measured by the IMU
- ullet Measurement model $A_{imu}=R(Q_{copter})A_{gravitation}^{3 imes 1}$
- R is an quaternion rotation matrix derived from the state

GPS update

- Measurement is the position measured by the GPS
- ullet Measurement model $P_{gps}=P_{position}$

Velocity update

- Measurement is the speed derived from the GPS
- ullet Measurement model $V_{gps} = V_{velocity}$

SVO scale update

- Measurement is the velocity measured by the SVO
- ullet Measurement model $V_{svo} = R(Q_{svo})(V_{velocity}/s_{svo})$

• Jacobian
$$J = \frac{\partial V_{svo}}{\partial \left[Q_{copter}^{1 \times 4} \quad P_{position}^{1 \times 3} \quad V_{velocity}^{1 \times 3} \quad s_{svo} \quad Q_{svo}^{1 \times 4} \right]}$$

SVO orientation update

- Measurement is the orientation quaternion measured by the SVO
- ullet Measurement model $Q_{measured} = Q_{svo} Q_{copter}$

• Jacobian
$$J = rac{\partial Q_{measured}}{\partial \left[Q_{copter}^{1 imes 4} \quad P_{position}^{1 imes 3} \quad V_{velocity}^{1 imes 3} \quad s_{svo} \quad Q_{svo}^{1 imes 4}
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- Modeling the uncertainties for the SVO
- Implementation on ROS
- Connecting the filter and SVO (rudimentary work started)
- Delay compensation for the GPS measurement
- Isolating update steps to smaller submatrices

- Antti: Making the SVO work on copter data
- Tuomas: Making the SVO work on ground vehicle
- Joonas: Implementing the scale and orientation estimation