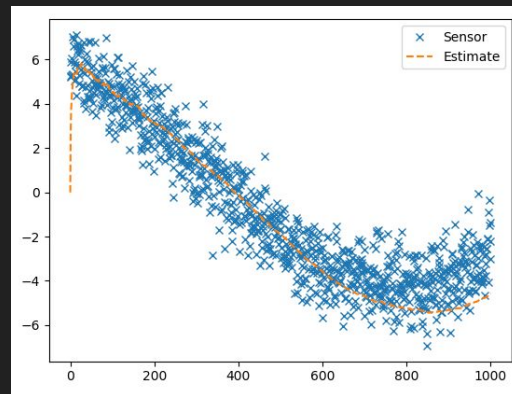
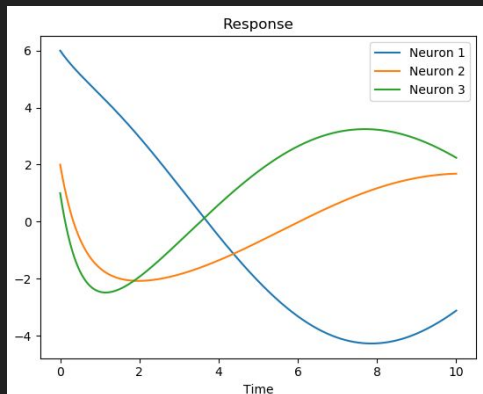
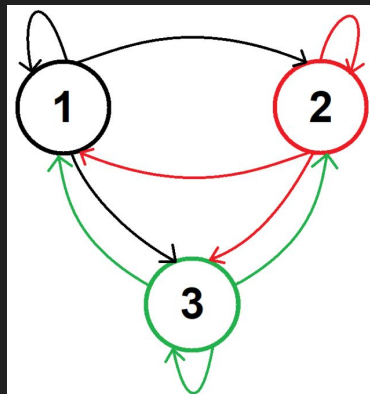


Attractors and Filtering

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Overview



Network



output

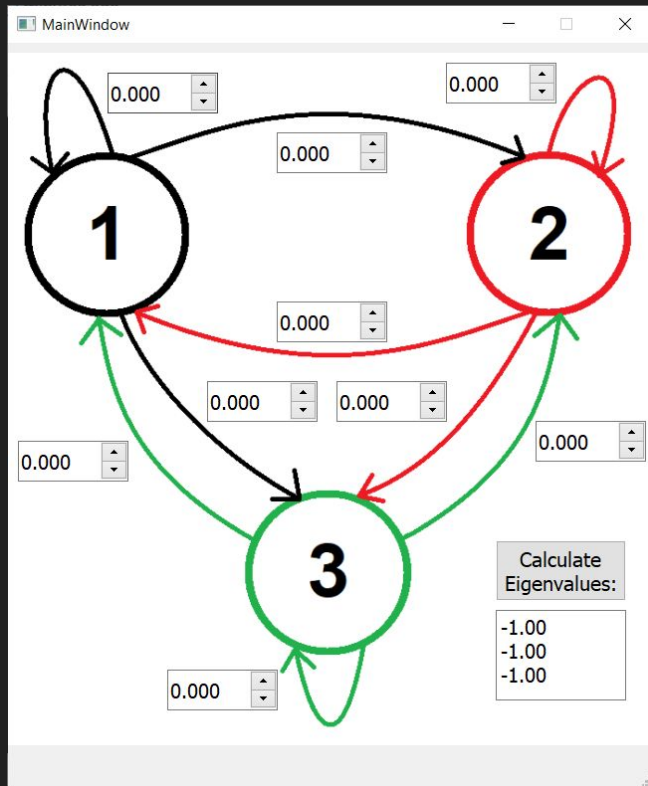


noisy observations and Kalman Filter

Attractors (Background)

- $\tau * dr_1/dt = -r_1 + W_{1 \rightarrow 1} * r_1 + W_{2 \rightarrow 1} * r_2 + W_{3 \rightarrow 1} * r_3$
- $\tau * dr_2/dt = -r_2 + W_{1 \rightarrow 2} * r_1 + W_{2 \rightarrow 2} * r_2 + W_{3 \rightarrow 2} * r_3$
- $\tau * dr_3/dt = -r_3 + W_{1 \rightarrow 3} * r_1 + W_{2 \rightarrow 3} * r_2 + W_{3 \rightarrow 3} * r_3$
- This results in $\tau * d\mathbf{r}/dt = -\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{W} * \mathbf{r}$.
- Thus, eigenvalues emerge, characterizing attractor's behavior.
 - $\lambda < 0 \rightarrow$ decay
 - $\lambda > 0 \rightarrow$ growth
 - λ complex \rightarrow oscillation
- In general nonlinear case, $\tau * d\mathbf{r}/dt = -\mathbf{r} + f(\mathbf{W} * \mathbf{r} + \text{stimulus} + \text{noise})$

GUI (PyQt)



Form

Simulation Time: 10

Timescale: 1.000

Initial r1: 0.000

Initial r2: 0.000

Initial r3: 0.000

Model Linearity:

- ☒ Linear
- ☐ Non-Linear (Naka-Rushton)
With the parameters below:

Maximum Firing Rate: 100

Sigma (spread): 40

Steepness: 2

☐ Use adaptation, with these parameters:

Adaptation Timescale: 100.000

Adaptation Strength: 1.00

Stimulus:

Frequency (Hz): 0.00

Duty Cycle: 0.50

ON Amplitude: 0.00

OFF Amplitude: 0.00

☐ Add Process Noise as the following Gaussian:

Mean: 0.00

Standard Deviation: 1.00

☐ Use a Kalman Filter with these parameters:

Measurement Noise (Standard Deviation): 0.00

Estimate of Process Noise (Standard Deviation): 1.00

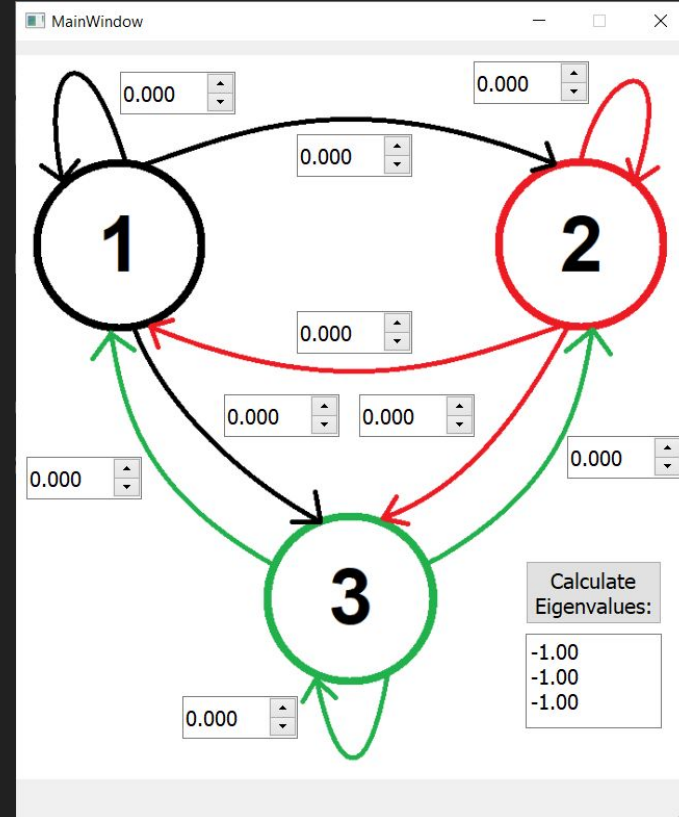
Initial Uncertainty of Estimate (Standard Deviation): 0.00

Initial Response Estimate: 0.00

Start

Attractor Network

- Eigenvalues are only defined in the linear case.
- Inherent Decay
 - $\tau * \frac{dr}{dt} = -r + f(\text{input})$
 - $f(x)$ = activation function
 - In linear case, $\frac{dr}{dt} = -r + W_r$
 - $\lambda = -1$ if $W = 0$



Parameters

- **Red** - Common parameters
 - Total time
 - Timescale
 - Initial response values
- **Green** - Linearity vs. Non-Linearity
- **Blue** - Stimulus (optional)
- **Orange** - Process noise (optional)
- **Purple** - Kalman Filter (optional)

Simulation is done using Euler's method with $dt = 0.01$.

The screenshot shows a 'Form' window with the following sections and parameters:

- Red Box (Common parameters):**
 - Simulation Time: 10
 - Timescale: 1.000
 - Initial r1: 0.000
 - Initial r2: 0.000
 - Initial r3: 0.000
- Green Box (Model Linearity):**
 - Model Linearity:
 - ☒ Linear
 - ☐ Non-Linear (Naka-Rushton)
With the parameters below:
 - Maximum Firing Rate: 100
 - Sigma (spread): 40
 - Steepness: 2
 - ☐ Use adaptation, with these parameters:
 - Adaptation Timescale: 100.000
 - Adaptation Strength: 1.00
- Blue Box (Stimulus):**
 - Stimulus:
 - Frequency (Hz): 0.00
 - Duty Cycle: 0.50
 - ON Amplitude: 0.00
 - OFF Amplitude: 0.00
- Orange Box (Process Noise):**
 - ☐ Add Process Noise as the following Gaussian:
 - Mean: 0.00
 - Standard Deviation: 1.00
- Purple Box (Kalman Filter):**
 - ☐ Use a Kalman Filter with these parameters:
 - Measurement Noise (Standard Deviation): 0.00
 - Estimate of Process Noise (Standard Deviation): 1.00
 - Initial Uncertainty of Estimate (Standard Deviation): 0.00
 - Initial Response Estimate: 0.00

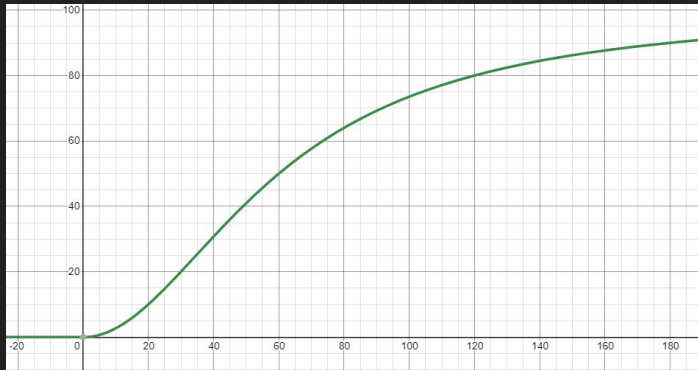
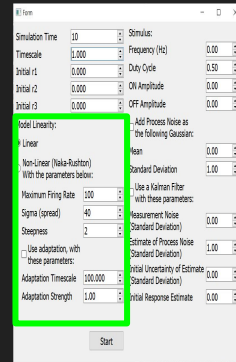
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Activation Functions: Naka-Rushton Function

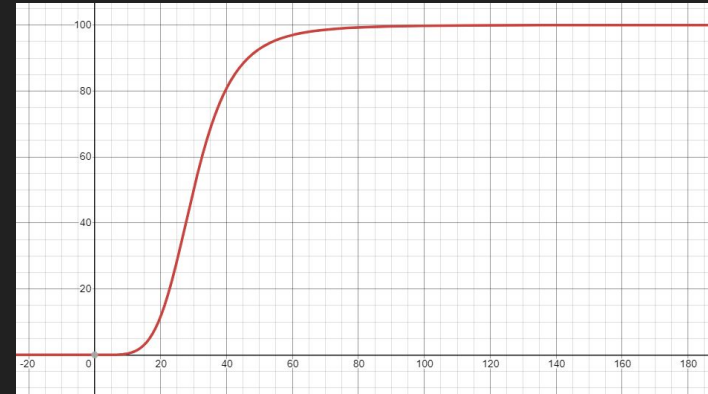
- Naka-Rushton Function

- W = input
- σ = semi-saturation constant (spread)
- u = Maximum response
- N = steepness

$$S(W) = \begin{cases} \frac{uW^N}{\sigma^N + W^N} & \text{for } W \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } W < 0 \end{cases}$$



High spread, low steepness



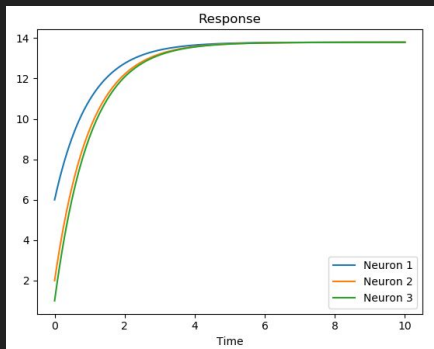
Low spread, high steepness

Activation Functions: Adaptation

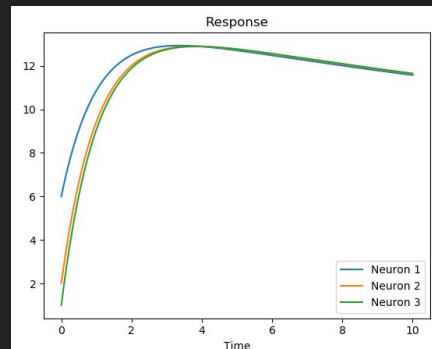
- Naka-Rushton Function
 - W = input
 - σ = semi-saturation constant (spread)
 - u = Maximum response
 - N = steepness
- Adaptation
 - A = adaptation factor
 - Adaptation strength = 0.7 in this case.

$$S(W) = \begin{cases} \frac{uW^N}{(\sigma+A)^N + W^N} & \text{for } W \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } W < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{(-A + .7a)}{\tau_A}$$



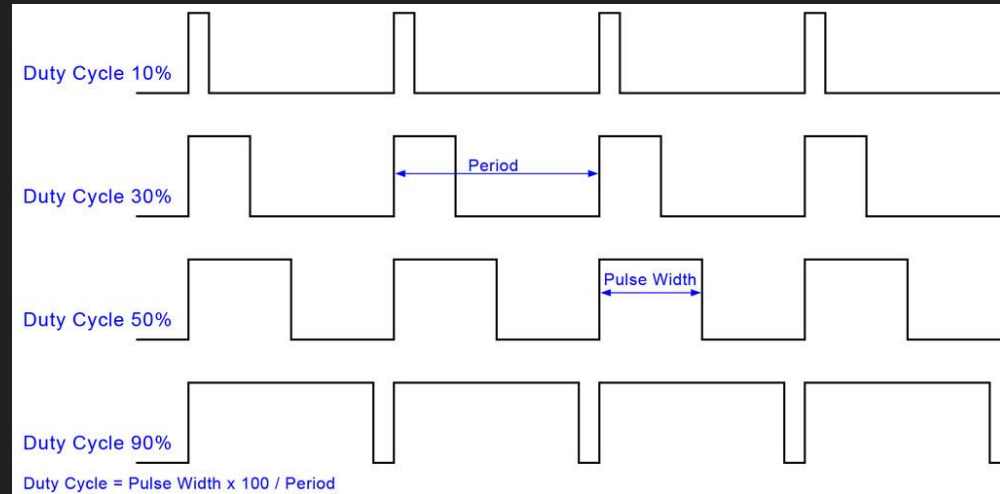
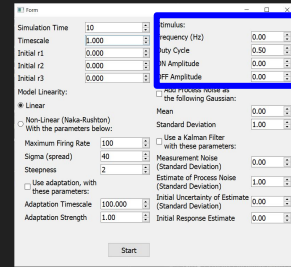
Adaptation
(Exaggerated)



Stimulus (Pulse Wave)

Pulse Wave can simulate:

- Square wave (duty cycle = 0.5)
- Pulse train (duty cycle ≤ 0.1)
- Constant input (frequency = 0)
- Monophasic/Biphasic input
 - Deep Brain Stimulation

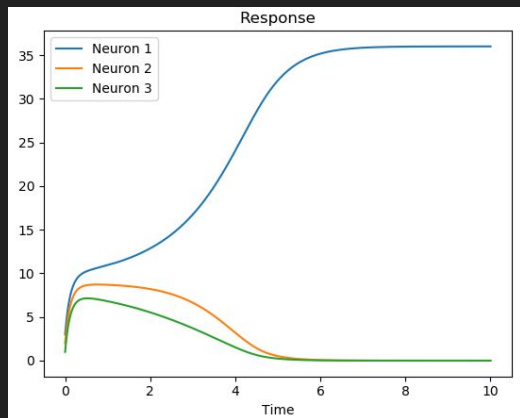


Process Noise

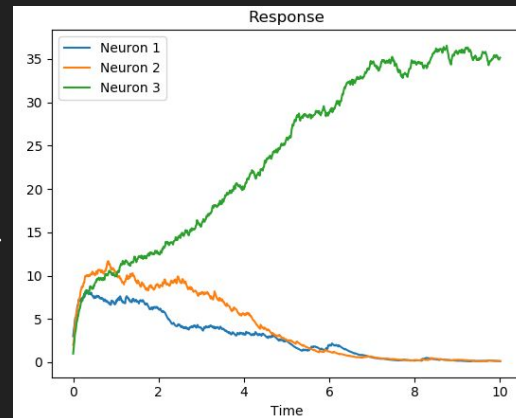
$$\tau * dr/dt = -r + f(Wr + \text{process noise})$$

The noise is an adjustable Gaussian distribution.

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Form" with various settings. Under the "Model Linearity" section, the "Non-Linear (Naka-Rushton)" option is selected. A sub-section titled "Add process noise as the following Gaussian:" is highlighted with an orange box. It contains two input fields: "Mean" set to 0.00 and "Standard Deviation" set to 1.00. Other settings include "Simulation Time" (10), "Timescale" (1.000), "Initial r1" (0.000), "Initial r2" (0.000), "Initial r3" (0.000), "Stimulus" (Frequency (Hz) 0.00, Duty Cycle 0.50, ON Amplitude 0.00, OFF Amplitude 0.00), "Maximum Firing Rate" (100), "Sigma (spread)" (40), "Steepness" (2), "Use adaptation, with these parameters:" (Adaptation Timescale 100.000, Adaptation Strength 1.00), "Use a Kalman Filter with these parameters:" (Measurement Noise (Standard Deviation) 0.00, Estimate of Process Noise (Standard Deviation) 1.00, Initial Uncertainty of Estimate (Standard Deviation) 0.00, Initial Response Estimate 0.00), and a "Start" button.



Heavy noise



Winner-take-all network
with dominant Neuron 1

Same network, but
Neuron 3 wins by chance

Kalman Filter

- Beliefs are represented as Gaussians.
 - Mean = estimated state
 - Variance = uncertainty
1. Predict
 - a. Prediction = estimate_{prior} + change_{model}
 - b. Adding Gaussians increases variance
 2. Update
 - a. estimate_{posterior} = prediction * observation
 - b. Multiplying Gaussians decreases variance

Sim form

Simulation Time	10	Stimulus:	
Timescale	0.000	Frequency (Hz)	0.00
Initial r1	0.000	Duty Cycle	0.50
Initial r2	0.000	ON Amplitude	0.00
Initial r3	0.000	OFF Amplitude	0.00

Model Linearity:

☐ Add Process Noise as the following Gaussian:

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☒ Use a Kalman Filter with these parameters:

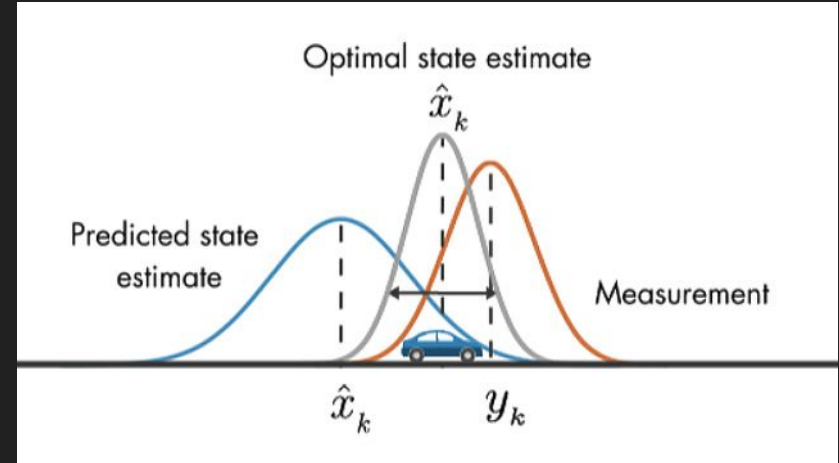
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estimate of Process Noise Standard Deviation: 1.00

Initial Uncertainty of Estimate Standard Deviation: 0.00

Initial Response Estimate: 0.00

Start



Kalman Filter (parameters)

- Measurement noise (tuning variable)
 - observation = \underline{r} + measurement noise
 - Gaussian
- Process noise (tuning variable)
 - $\tau * d\underline{r}/dt = -\underline{r} + f(W\underline{r} + \text{process noise})$
 - Gaussian
- Initial Parameters
 - Beliefs, including the initial one, are Gaussians
 - Mean = Initial Response Estimate
 - Variance = Initial Uncertainty

☐ Use a Kalman Filter with these parameters:

Measurement Noise (Standard Deviation)	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
Estimate of Process Noise (Standard Deviation)	<input type="text" value="1.00"/>
Initial Uncertainty of Estimate (Standard Deviation)	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
Initial Response Estimate	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>

Kalman Filter (Technical Details)

- $\underline{x} = [r, dr/dt]$
- $\underline{z} = [r]$
- $P_{\text{initial}} = I_2 * \sigma^2_{\text{initial}}$
 - P = Uncertainty Covariance Matrix
- $F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & dt \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
 - $r_{\text{prediction}} = r_{\text{prior}} + dt * (dr/dt)_{\text{prior}}$
 - $(dr/dt)_{\text{prediction}} = (dr/dt)_{\text{prior}}$
- $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 - No control
- $H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 - Response (r) is noisily observed
 - Change (dr/dt) is a hidden variable
- $Q = E[\underline{\text{noise}}_{\text{process}} * \underline{\text{noise}}_{\text{process}}^T]$
- $R = \sigma^2_{\text{measurement}}$

Predict Step

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{F}^T + \mathbf{Q}$$

Update Step

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{H}\bar{\mathbf{P}}\mathbf{H}^T + \mathbf{R}$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \bar{\mathbf{P}}\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{S}^{-1}$$

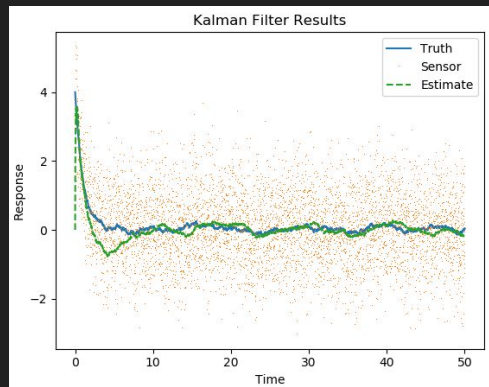
$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{H}\bar{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \bar{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{K}\mathbf{y}$$

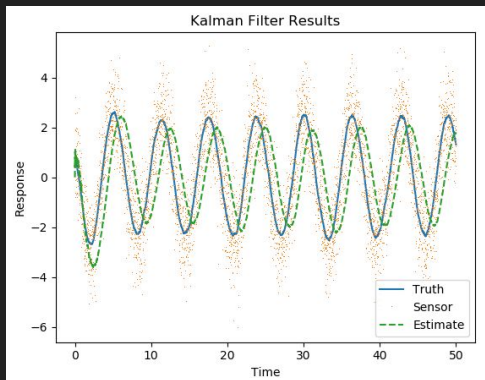
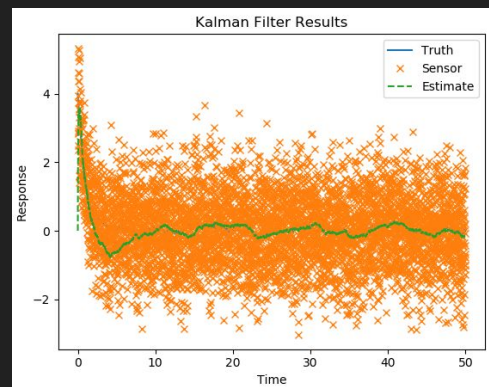
$$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{H})\bar{\mathbf{P}}$$

Performance (Linear)

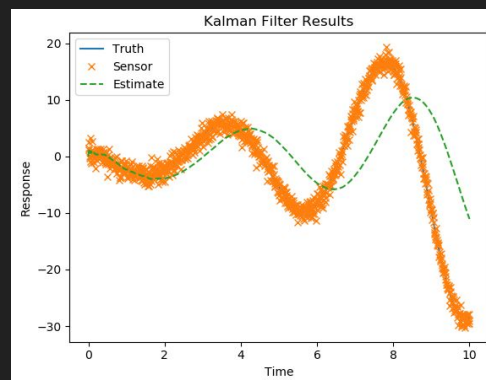
Current iteration of Kalman Filter does well with constantly-changing values, but struggles with oscillations or sharp changes.



Exponential Decay



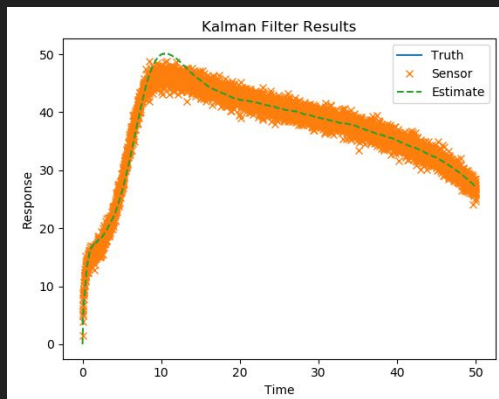
Constant Oscillation



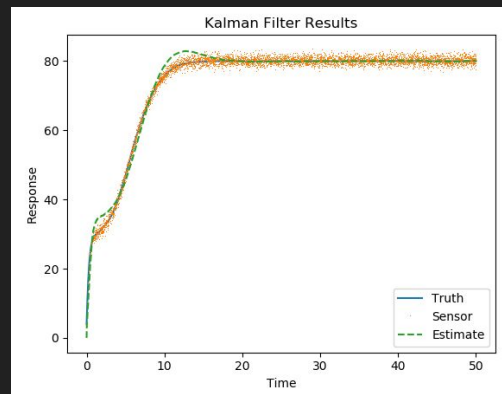
Unstable Oscillation

Performance (Continued)

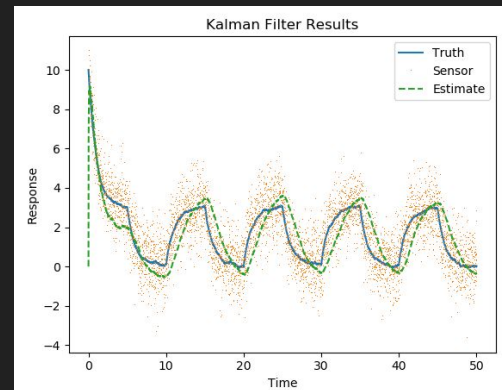
Even in nonlinear or unknown-stimuli cases, the current Kalman Filter does well with constantly changing values but struggles with sharp changes.



Winner-take-all with adaptation



Winner-take-all



Linear decay w/ stimulus

Potential Future Work

- Unscented (Nonlinear) Kalman Filter
- More detailed state transition matrix (F)?
- More states? x'' , x''' , etc.
- Control (non-zero B)

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