

- determine a set of unknown parameters ( $\mathbf{x}$ ) from a set of measurements ( $\mathbf{y}$ )
- measurements are contaminated by unavoidable errors ( $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ )
- the expected value of the measurements is:  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$
- $E(\mathbf{y})$  is related to  $\mathbf{x}$  by a (non-linear) function  $\mathbf{f}$ :  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \implies \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$
- the error  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  is a continuous random variable (RV)  $\implies \mathbf{y}$  is a continuous RV
- continuous RVs have probability density distributions  $p(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})$ ,  $p(\mathbf{y})$
- $\implies$  determine  $\mathbf{x}$  from  $\mathbf{y}$  by taking  $p(\mathbf{y})$  into account!

The **first moment** of a RV is the **expected value**  $\mu$  of the RV:  $E(\text{RV})$

$$\mathbf{y} = [y_1 \cdots y_i \cdots y_n]^T, p(\mathbf{y}) = p(y_1, \cdots, y_n) \quad (1.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_i = E(y_i) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} y_i \cdot p(y_1, \cdots, y_n) \cdot dy_1 \cdots dy_n$$

A **central moment** of a RV is the moment calculated for **RV -  $E(\text{RV})$**

The first central moment of a RV is zero:

$$E(y_i - \mu_i) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (y_i - \mu_i) \cdot p(y_1, \cdots, y_n) \cdot dy_1 \cdots dy_n \quad (1.2)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} y_i \cdot p(y_1, \cdots, y_n) \cdot dy_1 \cdots dy_n - \mu_i \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p(y_1, \cdots, y_n) \cdot dy_1 \cdots dy_n = \mu_i - \mu_i$$

The **second central moment** of a RV is called **covariance**

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{ij} &= E((y_i - \mu_i)(y_j - \mu_j)) = E(y_i y_j) - \mu_i \mu_j \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (y_i - \mu_i)(y_j - \mu_j) \cdot p(y_1, \cdots, y_n) \cdot dy_1 \cdots dy_n \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

If  $i=j$ ,  $\sigma_{ii}=\sigma_i^2$  is called **variance**

The variances and covariances of the n-dimensional RV  $\mathbf{y}$  can be assembled in the n-dimensional square symmetric **covariance matrix**

$$\Sigma(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \cdot & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \sigma_{1n} & \cdot & \cdot & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.4)$$

**Covariance propagation:** if two RV  $\mathbf{r}$  (n-dimensional) and  $\mathbf{s}$  (m-dimensional) are linearly related according to

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{c}$$

with  $\mathbf{A}$  being a (constant) matrix of dimension (n x m), and  $\mathbf{c}$  being a m-dimensional constant, than:

$$\Sigma(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{A}\Sigma(\mathbf{s})\mathbf{A}^T \quad (1.5)$$

**Linearisation:** the relation  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  is non-linear. In order to use the tools of linear algebra, the relation needs to be linearised. Assuming some approximate values for  $\mathbf{x}$  are known,  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$  can be expanded in a series (Taylor-expansion).

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) &= \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, \dots, x_m) \\ f_2(x_1, \dots, x_m) \\ \cdot \\ f_n(x_1, \dots, x_m) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, \dots, x_m)|_0 \\ f_2(x_1, \dots, x_m)|_0 \\ \cdot \\ f_n(x_1, \dots, x_m)|_0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \partial f_1 / \partial x_1|_0 & \partial f_1 / \partial x_2|_0 & \cdot & \partial f_1 / \partial x_m|_0 \\ \partial f_2 / \partial x_1|_0 & \partial f_2 / \partial x_2|_0 & \cdot & \partial f_2 / \partial x_m|_0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \partial f_n / \partial x_1|_0 & \partial f_n / \partial x_2|_0 & \cdot & \partial f_n / \partial x_m|_0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_1|_0 \\ x_2 - x_2|_0 \\ \cdot \\ x_m - x_m|_0 \end{bmatrix} + t.o.h.o. \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

The first term on the r.h.s. and the partial derivatives in the second term are evaluated using the approximate values for the parameters  $\mathbf{x}$ .

It is assumed that the terms of higher order can be neglected (iterations, if required).

Re-definitions:

$$\mathbf{y} := \mathbf{y} - \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, \dots, x_m)|_0 \\ f_2(x_1, \dots, x_m)|_0 \\ \vdots \\ f_n(x_1, \dots, x_m)|_0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{A} := \begin{bmatrix} \partial f_1 / \partial x_1|_0 & \partial f_1 / \partial x_2|_0 & \cdots & \partial f_1 / \partial x_m|_0 \\ \partial f_2 / \partial x_1|_0 & \partial f_2 / \partial x_2|_0 & \cdots & \partial f_2 / \partial x_m|_0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial f_n / \partial x_1|_0 & \partial f_n / \partial x_2|_0 & \cdots & \partial f_n / \partial x_m|_0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x} := \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_{1|0} \\ x_2 - x_{2|0} \\ \vdots \\ x_m - x_{m|0} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{linearised observation equations } \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad (1.7)$$

$\dim(\mathbf{y}) = n, \dim(\mathbf{x}) = m, \dim(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = n, \dim(\mathbf{A}) = n \times m, n > m.$

Since both  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  are unknown, there exist infinitely many solutions.

Specific solution is obtained by requiring that

1. The estimated solution for  $\mathbf{x}$  be a linear function of  $\mathbf{y}$ .
2. The weighted quadratic norm of the estimated errors be a minimum.
3. The estimated solution for  $\mathbf{x}$  be unbiased.

$$\text{In equations: } \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} \quad (1.8)$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^T \mathbf{P} \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = \min \quad (1.9)$$

$$E(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{x} \quad (1.10)$$

Question: How is the matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  determined? From eqns. (1.7) and (1.9)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^T \mathbf{P} \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} &= (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}})^T \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} - 2\hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^T \mathbf{P} \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = \min &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^T \mathbf{P} \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^T \mathbf{P} \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}} = -2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} + 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{aligned} \quad (1.11)$$

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From eqns. (1.8) and (1.11) then follows the **Least Squares solution**:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{y} \quad (1.12)$$

**Question:** How should the weight matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  be chosen? Gauß proposed to use as weight matrix a (scaled) inverse of covariance matrix of the measurements, c.f. eqn. (1.4)

$$\mathbf{P} = \sigma_0^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{y})^{-1} \quad (1.13)$$

From eqns. (1.5), (1.12) and (1.13) we now can also determine the **covariance matrix of the estimated parameters**

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) &= (\mathbf{A}^T \sigma_0^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{y})^{-1} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \sigma_0^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{y})^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{y}) ((\mathbf{A}^T \sigma_0^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{y})^{-1} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \sigma_0^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{y})^{-1})^T \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) &= (\mathbf{A}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{y})^{-1} \mathbf{A})^{-1} = \sigma_0^2 (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (1.14)$$

For a proof of the unbiasedness insert eqn. (1.12) into eqn. (1.10).

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Estimates for the **adjusted measurements and their covariance**:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{x}}; \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{y}}) = \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \quad (1.15)$$

Estimates for the **measurement errors and their covariance**:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A} \hat{\mathbf{x}}; \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}) = \sigma_0^2 (\mathbf{P}^{-1} - \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T) \quad (1.16)$$

Estimate for the **variance of unit weight**:

$$\hat{\sigma}_0^2 = \frac{\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^T \mathbf{P} \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}}{n - u} \quad (1.17)$$

n: number of measurements  
u: number of parameters

**Assumption:** the system of (linear) observation equations can be divided into two sets of equations which are **uncorrelated**.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 \\ \mathbf{A}_2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{P}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.1)$$

The solution of the first set of equations has already been computed and is available.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} &= (\mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1)^{-1} \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}_{1(1)} &= \mathbf{y}_1 - \mathbf{A}_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} \\ \hat{\sigma}_{0(1)}^2 &= \frac{\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}_{1(1)}^T \mathbf{P}_1 \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}_{1(1)}}{n_{(1)} - u} \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)}) &= \hat{\sigma}_{0(1)}^2 (\mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1)^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Subscripts 1, 2 for first and second set of equations; subscripts (1), (2) for estimation based on first set of equations and for estimation based on both sets of equations!

**Question:** Can the solution of eqns. (2.1) be obtained by **updating** the solution of the first set of equations (2.2) instead of solving the complete system (2.1)?

Formally the solution to (2.1) reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(2)} &= \left[ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1^T & \mathbf{A}_2^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{P}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 \\ \mathbf{A}_2 \end{bmatrix} \right]^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1^T & \mathbf{A}_2^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{P}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \left[ \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{A}_2 \right]^{-1} \left[ \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{y}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{y}_2 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

$$\text{if } \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(2)} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} + \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \text{ then} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\left[ \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{A}_2 \right] \left[ \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} + \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}} \right] = \left[ \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{y}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{y}_2 \right] \quad (2.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{\mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{A}_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} + \left[ \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{A}_2 \right] \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \cancel{\mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{y}_1} + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{y}_2$$

Parameter update:  $\Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}} = [\mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{A}_2]^{-1} \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 [\mathbf{y}_2 - \mathbf{A}_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)}]$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}} &= [\hat{\sigma}_{0(1)}^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)})^{-1} + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{A}_2]^{-1} \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 [\mathbf{y}_2 - \mathbf{A}_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)}] \\ \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(2)} &= \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} + \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Updating the **variance of unit weight**:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{0(2)}^2 = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(2)}^T \mathbf{P}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(2)} + \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{2(2)}^T \mathbf{P}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{2(2)}}{n_{(2)} - u}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(2)} = \mathbf{y}_1 - \mathbf{A}_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(2)} = \mathbf{y}_1 - \mathbf{A}_1 \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)} - \mathbf{A}_1 \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(1)} - \mathbf{A}_1 \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(2)}^T \mathbf{P}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(2)} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(1)}^T \mathbf{P}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(1)} - 2 \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{1(1)} + \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{A}_1^T \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{A}_1 \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{0(2)}^2 = \frac{1}{n_{(2)} - u} \left( \hat{\sigma}_{0(1)}^2 (n_{(1)} - u + \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)})^{-1} \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}) + \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{2(2)}^T \mathbf{P}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{2(2)} \right) \quad (2.7)$$

Updating the **covariance matrix of the estimated parameters**:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(2)}) = \hat{\sigma}_{0(2)}^2 [\hat{\sigma}_{0(1)}^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{(1)})^{-1} + \mathbf{A}_2^T \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{A}_2]^{-1} \quad (2.8)$$

Eqns. (2.6) - (2.8) update the parameter estimation based on the **previous solution** and the **new measurements** and the corresponding design matrix.

Typical application example: Time series of measurements related to a common set of parameters, uncorrelated between measurement epochs.

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}(t_1) \\ \mathbf{y}(t_2) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{y}(t_q) \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}(t_1) \\ \mathbf{A}(t_2) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{A}(t_q) \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}(t_1) & \mathbf{0} & \cdot & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{P}(t_2) & \cdot & \mathbf{0} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdot & \mathbf{P}(t_q) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.9)$$

Sequential solution of equation system (2.9)

*Abbreviations:*  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t_k) = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k$  etc.

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1} + \left[ \hat{\sigma}_{0k-1}^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1})^{-1} + \mathbf{A}_k^T \mathbf{P}_k \mathbf{A}_k \right]^{-1} \mathbf{A}_k^T \mathbf{P}_k [\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{A}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1}] \quad (2.10)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{0k}^2 = \frac{1}{n_k - u} \left( \hat{\sigma}_{0k-1}^2 (n_{k-1} - u + \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1})^{-1} \Delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k) + (\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{A}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k)^T \mathbf{P}_k (\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{A}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k) \right) \quad (2.11)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k) = \hat{\sigma}_{0k}^2 \left[ \hat{\sigma}_{0k-1}^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1})^{-1} + \mathbf{A}_k^T \mathbf{P}_k \mathbf{A}_k \right]^{-1} \quad (2.12)$$

## Chapter 3: Ordinary Differential Equations

Ordinary Differential Equations express relations between

- derivatives of a function ( $\mathbf{y}'$ ,  $\mathbf{y}''$ ,  $\mathbf{y}''' \dots \mathbf{y}^{(m)}$ )
- the function itself ( $\mathbf{y}$ )
- and the independent variable ( $t$ )

$$\mathbf{F}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}', \mathbf{y}'', \dots, \mathbf{y}^{(m)}) = 0 \quad (3.1)$$

The prime (') denotes the derivative with respect to the independent variable  $t$ . The function  $\mathbf{y}$  depends on only **one** independent variable; therefore equ. (3.1) describes an **Ordinary** Differential Equation (ODE) in contrast to **Partial** Differential Equations involving multiple independent variables.

Equ. (3.1) is an ODE of **order  $m$** ; it is solved by integration ( $m$  times).

Each of the  $m$  integrations requires specification of initial values for some value  $t_0$  of the independent variable  $t$ .

$$\mathbf{y}^{(i-1)}(t_0) = \mathbf{y}_0^{(i-1)}, i = 1, m \quad (3.2)$$

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If the relation  $\mathbf{F}$  in equ. (3.1) is linear in the function  $\mathbf{y}$  and its derivatives, it is called a **Linear Differential Equation**

$$\mathbf{y}^{(m)}(t) + \mathbf{A}_1(t)\mathbf{y}^{(m-1)}(t) + \mathbf{A}_2(t)\mathbf{y}^{(m-2)}(t) + \dots + \mathbf{A}_{m-1}(t)\mathbf{y}'(t) + \mathbf{A}_m(t)\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{b}(t) \quad (3.3)$$

The  $\mathbf{A}_i(t)$  are square matrices with elements that are functions of  $t$  (but do not depend on  $\mathbf{y}$  and its derivatives). Since  $\mathbf{y}$  in equ. (3.3) is a vector valued function, equ. (3.3) represents a **System of Linear Differential Equations of  $m^{\text{th}}$ -order**. For a scalar valued function  $y$ :

$$y^{(m)}(t) + a_1(t)y^{(m-1)}(t) + a_2(t)y^{(m-2)}(t) + \dots + a_{m-1}(t)y'(t) + a_m(t)y(t) = b(t) \quad (3.4)$$

The  $a_i(t)$  are scalar coefficients that are functions of  $t$  (but do not depend on  $y$  and its derivatives). Equ. (3.4) represents a scalar **Linear Differential Equation of  $m^{\text{th}}$ -order**. The corresponding initial values are:

$$y^{(i-1)}(t_0) = y_0^{(i-1)}, i = 1, m \quad (3.5)$$



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A scalar Linear Differential Equation of  $m^{\text{th}}$ -order can be transformed into a System of  $m$  Linear Differential Equations of  $1^{\text{st}}$ -order through substitution:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1(t) &= y(t) \\ y_2(t) &= y'(t) \\ &\bullet \\ y_i(t) &= y^{(i-1)}(t) \\ &\bullet \\ y_m(t) &= y^{(m-1)}(t) \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} y_i(t) &= y^{(i)}, \quad i = 1, m-1 \\ \frac{d}{dt} y_m(t) + a_1(t)y_m(t) + a_2(t)y_{m-1}(t) + \dots + a_m(t)y_1(t) &= b(t) \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

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Equ. (3.7) can be rearranged to read:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \\ y_3(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_m(t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & \cdot & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & \cdot & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ a_m(t) & a_{m-1}(t) & a_{m-2}(t) & \cdot & a_1(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ y_m(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \cdot \\ b(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.8)$$

Accordingly the initial values (equ. (3.5)) must be transformed:

$$\begin{pmatrix} y(t_0) \\ y'(t_0) \\ y''(t_0) \\ \cdot \\ y^{(m-1)}(t_0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t_0) \\ y_2(t_0) \\ y_3(t_0) \\ \cdot \\ y_m(t_0) \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.9)$$

## Chapter 3: Ordinary Differential Equations - cont'd

Because any higher order Linear Differential Equation can be transformed into a System of Linear Differential Equations of 1<sup>st</sup> order, it is sufficient to study the solutions of the latter type. In short we can re-write equs. (3.8), (3.9) as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}'(t) + \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{y}(t) &= \mathbf{b}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t_0) &= \mathbf{y}_0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

$$\mathbf{y}'(t) = (y'_1(t), y'_2(t), \dots, y'_m(t))^T$$

$$\mathbf{y}_0 = (y_1(t_0), y_2(t_0), \dots, y_m(t_0))^T$$

$$\mathbf{b}(t) = (0, 0, \dots, b(t))^T$$

**Analytical solutions** to equ. (3.10) can be obtained in many (but not all) cases as the sum of the solution of the corresponding **homogeneous** equation

$$\mathbf{y}'(t) + \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{0} \quad (3.11)$$

and a particular solution of the original equation (3.10). Otherwise a numerical solution can be obtained.

## Chapter 3: Ordinary Differential Equations - cont'd

Example for a method of **numerical solution**: Runge-Kutta-Methode. The methode is first explained for a scalar first-order Differential Equation.

$$\begin{aligned} y'(t) + a(t)y(t) &= b(t) \Rightarrow y'(t) = f(t, y(t)) \\ y(t_0) &= y_0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

If the solution is available for  $t_n$ , than, in principle, the solution for  $t_{n+1}$  could be obtained through a Taylor expansion

$$y(t_{n+1}) = y(t_n) + y'(t_n)(t_{n+1} - t_n) + \frac{1}{2!} y''(t_n)(t_{n+1} - t_n)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} y'''(t_n)(t_{n+1} - t_n)^3 + \dots$$

with

$$y'(t_n) = f$$

$$y''(t_n) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} f$$

etc.

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In the Runge-Kutta-Method of numerical integration, the higher derivatives ( $y''$ ,  $y'''$ , etc.) are replaced by first order derivatives. The order of the algorithm indicates, up to which term of the Taylor expansion the algorithm is 'correct'.

Notation:

$$y(t_{n+1}) = y_{n+1}$$

$$(t_{n+1} - t_n) = h$$

First order algorithm:

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h f(y_n, t_n) \quad (3.13)$$

Second order algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} y_{n+1} &= y_n + \frac{h}{2} (k_1 + k_2) \\ k_1 &= f(y_n, t_n) \\ k_2 &= f(y_n + h k_1, t_n + h) \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

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Third order algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} y_{n+1} &= y_n + \frac{h}{6} (k_1 + 4k_2 + k_3) \\ k_1 &= f(y_n, t_n) \\ k_2 &= f(y_n + \frac{h}{2} k_1, t_n + \frac{h}{2}) \\ k_3 &= f(y_n - h k_1 + 2h k_2, t_n + h) \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

Fourth order algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} y_{n+1} &= y_n + \frac{h}{6} (k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \\ k_1 &= f(y_n, t_n) \\ k_2 &= f(y_n + \frac{h}{2} k_1, t_n + \frac{h}{2}) \\ k_3 &= f(y_n + \frac{h}{2} k_2, t_n + \frac{h}{2}) \\ k_4 &= f(y_n + h k_3, t_n + h) \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

The Runge-Kutta-Methode can also be applied to the numerical integration of Systems of 1<sup>st</sup>-order Linear Differential Equations. Example for third order algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}_{n+1} &= \mathbf{y}_n + \frac{h}{6} (\mathbf{k}_1 + 4\mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) \\ \mathbf{k}_1 &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_n, t_n) \\ \mathbf{k}_2 &= \mathbf{f}\left(\mathbf{y}_n + \frac{h}{2} \mathbf{k}_1, t_n + \frac{h}{2}\right) \\ \mathbf{k}_3 &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_n - h \mathbf{k}_1 + 2h \mathbf{k}_2, t_n + h) \end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

State space description of a Linear Dynamic System

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{F}(t) \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{G}(t) \mathbf{w}(t) + \mathbf{L}(t) \mathbf{s}(t) \quad (4.1)$$

$\mathbf{x}(t)$ : Set of random variables describing the linear system  
(the **state vector**)

$\mathbf{w}(t)$ : Random forcing function

$\mathbf{s}(t)$ : Deterministic control input

$\mathbf{F}(t)$ : square matrix

$\mathbf{G}(t), \mathbf{L}(t)$ : matrices (not necessarily square!)

Here we will consider only linear dynamic models without control input:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{F}(t) \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{G}(t) \mathbf{w}(t) \quad (4.2)$$

This is formally a **non-homogeneous linear differential equation**.

For given initial conditions  $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$ , the general solution to equ.(4.2) can be written:

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) \mathbf{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, t') \mathbf{G}(t') \mathbf{w}(t') dt' \quad (4.3)$$

The general solution is the sum of the the solution of the homogeneous equation and a particular solution of the non-homogeneous equation!

$\Phi(t, t_0)$  is called the state transition matrix. The following relations hold for this matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \Phi(t, t_0) &= \mathbf{F}(t) \Phi(t, t_0) \\ \Phi(t_2, t_0) &= \Phi(t_2, t_1) \Phi(t_1, t_0) \\ \Phi(t, t) &= \Phi(t, t_0) \Phi(t_0, t) = \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \Phi^{-1}(t, t_0) = \Phi(t_0, t) \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

Up to now  $\Phi(t, t_0)$  is still unknown!

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Transition matrix for stationary systems: in stationary systems, the matrix  $\mathbf{F}$  in equs. (4.1) and (4.2) is time-invariant. Stationary systems can often be used to replace approximatively more complex systems over short time periods. A general Taylor expansion gives:

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t_0) + \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t_0)(t-t_0) + \frac{1}{2!}\ddot{\mathbf{x}}(t_0)(t-t_0)^2 + \dots \quad (4.5)$$

From the homogeneous part of equ. (4.2) we can replace:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t_0) &= \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}(t_0) \\ \ddot{\mathbf{x}}(t_0) &= \dot{\mathbf{F}}\mathbf{x}(t_0) + \mathbf{F}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t_0) = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{F}^2\mathbf{x}(t_0) \\ &\vdots \\ \mathbf{x}^{(n)}(t_0) &= \mathbf{F}^n\mathbf{x}(t_0)\end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

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Substituting equ. (4.6) into (4.5):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}(t) &= \mathbf{x}(t_0) + \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}(t_0)(t-t_0) + \frac{\mathbf{F}^2}{2!}\mathbf{x}(t_0)(t-t_0)^2 + \dots \\ \mathbf{x}(t) &= \left[ \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{F}(t-t_0) + \frac{\mathbf{F}^2}{2!}(t-t_0)^2 + \dots \right] \mathbf{x}(t_0)\end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

The term in square brackets is by definition the matrix exponential

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\mathbf{A}} &= \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3}{3!} + \dots \\ e^{\mathbf{F}(t-t_0)} &= \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{F}(t-t_0) + \frac{\mathbf{F}^2}{2!}(t-t_0)^2 + \dots\end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

For stationary systems, the state transition matrix depends only on the time interval  $(t-t_0)$  and the matrix  $\mathbf{F}$

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = e^{\mathbf{F}(t-t_0)} \quad (4.9)$$

We are now in a position to discretize the continuous system of equ. (4.2):

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{F}(t) \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{G}(t) \mathbf{w}(t)$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\mathbf{x}(t_n) = \mathbf{\Phi}(t_n, t_{n-1}) \mathbf{x}(t_{n-1}) + \mathbf{u}(t_n)$$

or

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{\Phi}(t_n, t_{n-1}) \mathbf{x}_{n-1} + \mathbf{u}_n$$

(4.10)

with

$$\mathbf{u}_n = \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} \mathbf{\Phi}(t, t') \mathbf{G}(t') \mathbf{w}(t') dt' \quad (4.11)$$

For stationary systems, the state transition matrix is computed from equ. (4.9). The discretization of equ. (4.10) holds also for non-stationary systems; but then the state transition matrix cannot be computed from equ. (4.9)!

## Chapter 5: Random Processes

Review: A realisation of a **random variable** (RV) is the outcome of an experiment (e.g. measurement, c.f. Module 1). Performing the experiment once gives one realisation of the RV. Measurement errors are typically continuous RVs that can take any value according to an associated probability density distribution. Example: the Gaussian bell-shaped probability density distribution.

RVs can be scalar or more-dimensional.

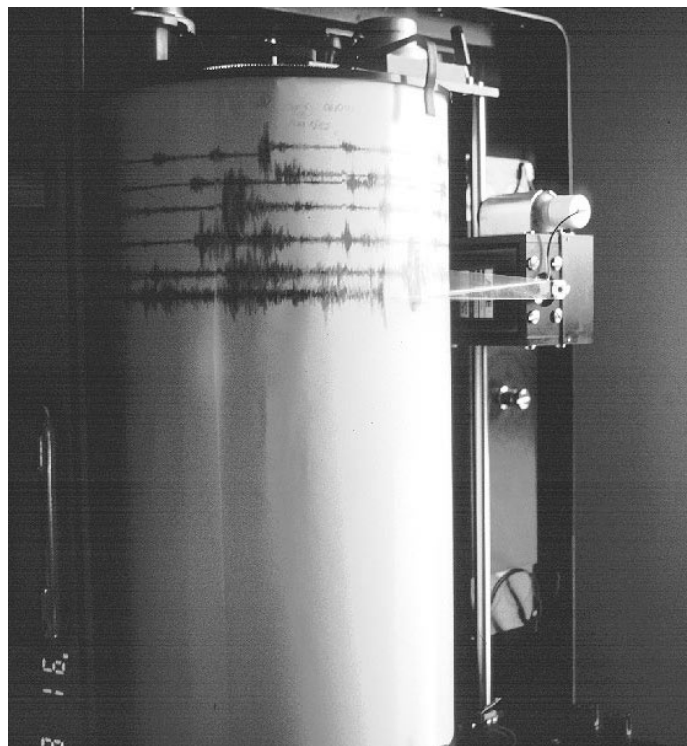
A realisation of a **random process** (RP, sometimes also called **stochastic process**) is obtained if the outcome of the experiment is a 'function' of an independent variable, usually time. A RP is called **continuous**, if its argument is continuous time,  $x(t)$ . A RP is called **discrete**, if its argument is a discrete variable,  $x(t_i)$ ,  $i=1, 2, 3 \dots$ . Performing the experiment once gives one realisation of the RP.

RPs can be scalar or more-dimensional.

Examples for continuous and discrete random variables?

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Examples for continuous and discrete random variables?





## Example

(after A. Gelb (ed.), 1984. Applied Optimal Estimation, MIT Press)

Shown are 4 realisations of a scalar RP. There may be infinitely many 'realisations' constituting the **ensemble** of the RP.

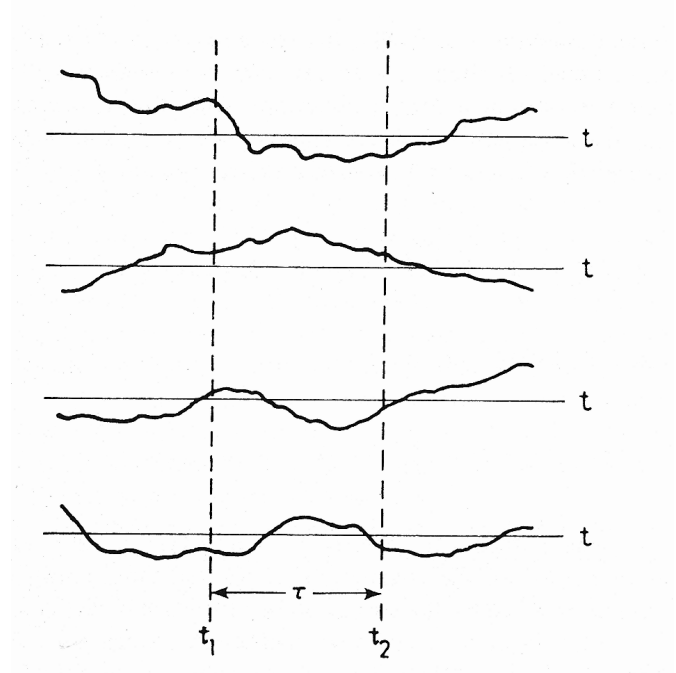


Figure 5.1: Example for scalar random process

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## Random Processes - cont'd

If  $\mathbf{y}(t)$  is a RP and  $p(\mathbf{y}(t))$  is its probability density distribution, then the expected value of the RP at time  $t$  is its **mean value**:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}(t) = E(\mathbf{y}(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \mathbf{y}(t) \cdot p(\mathbf{y}(t)) \cdot d\mathbf{y}(t) \quad (5.1)$$

The **auto-covariance** and the **auto-correlation** of the RP are measures for the self-similarity at two epochs in time.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}_{yy}(t_1, t_2) &= E((\mathbf{y}(t_1) - \boldsymbol{\mu}(t_1))(\mathbf{y}(t_2) - \boldsymbol{\mu}(t_2))^T) \\ \text{Cor}_{yy}(t_1, t_2) &= E(\mathbf{y}(t_1)\mathbf{y}(t_2)^T) \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

The **cross-covariance** of two RP is a measure for the similarity of the two RP at two epochs in time.

$$\text{Cov}_{xy}(t_1, t_2) = E((\mathbf{x}(t_1) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x(t_1))(\mathbf{y}(t_2) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_y(t_2))^T) \quad (5.3)$$

**Stationarity:** A RP is said to be **stationary**, if its probability density distribution is independent of time, i.e.:

$$p(\mathbf{y}(t)) = p(\mathbf{y}(t + \Delta t)) \quad (5.4)$$

For stationary RPs, the mean value  $\mu$  is independent of time, and the auto-covariance and auto-correlation functions depend only on the time interval:

$$\begin{aligned} Cov_{yy}(\Delta t) &= E((\mathbf{y}(t) - \mu)(\mathbf{y}(t + \Delta t) - \mu)^T) \\ Cor_{yy}(\Delta t) &= E(\mathbf{y}(t)\mathbf{y}(t + \Delta t)^T) \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

For stationary RPs, the auto-covariance is an even function, which attains its maximum at zero lag; for zero lag, the auto-covariance function value is the **variance** of the stationary RP:

$$Cov_{yy}(\Delta t) = Cov_{yy}(-\Delta t), \quad |Cov_{yy}(\Delta t)| \leq Cov_{yy}(0) \quad (5.6)$$

For stationary RPs also the cross-covariance function depends only on the time interval:

$$Cov_{xy}(\Delta t) = E((\mathbf{x}(t) - \mu_x)(\mathbf{y}(t + \Delta t) - \mu_y)^T) \quad (5.7)$$

Equ. (5.6) **does not** hold for the cross-covariance function.

The Fourier transform of the auto-covariance function is called the **power spectral density (psd)** of the RP.

$$\Phi_y(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} Cov_{yy}(\tau) \cdot e^{-i2\pi f\tau} d\tau \quad (5.8)$$

Similarly, the auto-covariance function of the RP is the inverse Fourier transform of the power spectral density of the RP.

$$Cov_{yy}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Phi_y(f) \cdot e^{i2\pi f\tau} df \quad (5.9)$$

==> The variance of the RP equals the area under the psd of the process!

**Ergodicity:** A stationary RP is called **ergodic**, if the statistics of the RP (mean, variance, etc.) can be derived from a single realisation of the RP by operations in the time domain. The time average of a single realisation of the RP is:

$$\mathbf{m} = \lim(T \rightarrow \infty) \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{+T/2} \mathbf{y}(t) \cdot dt \quad (5.10)$$

Ergodicity means, that this time average is equal to the ensemble average (eqn. (5.1)). Similarly, the the auto- and cross-correlation functions for ergodic RPs can be computed from:

$$\begin{aligned} Cov_{yy}(\Delta t) &= \lim(T \rightarrow \infty) \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{+T/2} (\mathbf{y}(t) - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{y}(t + \Delta t) - \mathbf{m})^T \cdot dt \\ Cov_{xy}(\Delta t) &= \lim(T \rightarrow \infty) \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{+T/2} (\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{m}_x)(\mathbf{y}(t + \Delta t) - \mathbf{m}_y)^T \cdot dt \end{aligned} \quad (5.11)$$

**White noise:** A stationary RP is called a **white noise process**, if its auto-covariance function is zero for non-zero lag (here: zero mean white noise):

$$\begin{aligned} Cov_{ww}(\Delta t) &= \sigma^2 \cdot \delta(\Delta t) \\ \delta(t) &= 0 \text{ for } t \neq 0, \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t') \cdot \delta(t - t') dt' = g(t) \end{aligned} \quad (5.12)$$

The psd of a white noise process is obtained from eqn. (5.8):

$$\Phi_w(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \sigma^2 \cdot \delta(\tau) \cdot e^{-i2\pi f\tau} d\tau = \sigma^2 \quad (5.13)$$

The psd of a white noise process is a constant. Its spectral power is evenly distributed; hence the name “white noise”. Inserting eqn. (5.13) into (5.9), we obtain a definition for the Dirac function in terms of the integral of a complex exponential function.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \sigma^2 \cdot e^{i2\pi f\tau} df = \sigma^2 \cdot \delta(\tau) \quad (5.14)$$

Random constants: A random constant is a stationary RP that take on a constant value for all times, but the constant value is a random variable that changes for each realisation. Examples??

The random constant can be described by its differential equation:

$$\dot{R}(t) = 0, R(t_0) = R_0 \quad (5.15)$$

The random constant is not an ergodic RP. The auto-covariance function for a random constant is:

$$Cov_{RR}(\Delta t) = \sigma_R^2 \quad (5.16)$$

The RP is fully correlated. The psd of the random constant is obtained from eqn. (5.8):

$$\Phi_R(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \sigma_R^2 \cdot e^{-i2\pi f\tau} d\tau = \sigma_R^2 \cdot \delta(f) \quad (5.17)$$

Random walk: A random walk is a RP described by the following differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{R}(t) &= W(t), R(t_0) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow R(t) &= \int_{t_0}^t W(t) dt \end{aligned} \quad (5.18)$$

The random walk process is not a stationary RP. Its auto-covariance function is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} Cov_{RR}(t_1, t_2) &= \sigma^2 \cdot (t_1 - t_0), \quad \text{if } t_2 \geq t_1 \\ Cov_{RR}(t_1, t_2) &= \sigma^2 \cdot (t_2 - t_0), \quad \text{if } t_1 > t_2 \end{aligned} \quad (5.19)$$

$\sigma^2$  is the amplitude of the psd of the white noise RP  $W(t)$ .

Examples??

Gaussian white noise random process: A white noise RP is called a Gaussian white noise RP, if the probability density distribution of the underlying random variable is the Gaussian distribution (bell-shaped curve).

If the white noise RP underlying the random walk RP is a Gaussian white noise RP, then it is called a *Wiener* process; the *Wiener* process is the integral of the Gaussian white noise RP.

Gauss-Markov-process of first order: The differential equation

$$\dot{X}(t) = -\beta X(t) + W(t), \beta \geq 0 \quad (5.20)$$

where  $W(t)$  is a zero-mean Gaussian white noise RP with psd amplitude equal to  $2\sigma^2\beta$  describes a Gauss-Markov-process of first order. Its auto-covariance is given by:

$$Cov_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = Cov_{XX}(\Delta t) = \sigma^2 \cdot e^{-\beta\Delta t} \quad (5.21)$$

$\sigma^2$  is the variance of the RP; the RP is stationary.

The psd of a Gauss-Markov-process of first order is given by:

$$\Phi_X(f) = \frac{2\sigma^2\beta}{4\pi^2 f^2 + \beta^2} \quad (5.22)$$

$\beta$  is the parameter describing the correlation length of the RP.

Relation to Random Constant RP?

Relation to Gaussian white noise RP?

Shape of auto-covariance function? Shape of psd?

Gauss-Markov-process of second order: The differential equation

$$\ddot{X}(t) + 2\beta\dot{X}(t) + \beta^2 X(t) = W(t), \beta \geq 0 \quad (5.23)$$

where  $W(t)$  is a zero-mean Gaussian white noise RP with psd amplitude equal to  $4\sigma^2\beta^3$  describes a Gauss-Markov-process of second order. Its auto-covariance and its psd are given by:

$$Cov_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = Cov_{XX}(\Delta t) = \sigma^2 \cdot e^{-\beta\Delta t} (1 + \beta\Delta t), \Delta t = |t_2 - t_1| \quad (5.24)$$

$$\Phi_X(f) = \frac{4\sigma^2\beta^3}{(4\pi^2 f^2 + \beta^2)^2} \quad (5.25)$$

Shape of auto-covariance function and psd?

Gauss-Markov-process of third order: The differential equation

$$\ddot{X}(t) + 3\beta\ddot{X}(t) + 3\beta^2\dot{X}(t) + \beta^3 X(t) = W(t), \beta \geq 0 \quad (5.26)$$

where  $W(t)$  is a zero-mean Gaussian white noise RP with psd amplitude equal to  $16/3\sigma^2\beta^5$  describes a Gauss-Markov-process of third order. Its auto-covariance and its psd are given by:

$$Cov_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = Cov_{XX}(\Delta t) = \sigma^2 \cdot e^{-\beta\Delta t} (1 + \beta\Delta t + 1/3\beta^2\Delta t^2), \Delta t = |t_2 - t_1| \quad (5.27)$$

$$\Phi_X(f) = \frac{16/\sigma^2\beta^5}{(4\pi^2 f^2 + \beta^2)^3} \quad (5.28)$$

Shape of auto-covariance function and psd?

Gauss-Markov-processes of higher order defined by the appropriate differential equations. Relation between Gauss-Markov-processes of different order?

Discrete random processes: The continuous RPs “random constant”, “random walk” and “first order Markov process” can be described by the differential equation

$$\dot{X}(t) = -\beta X(t) + \alpha W(t); \alpha, \beta \geq 0 \quad (5.29)$$

where  $W(t)$  is a zero-mean Gaussian white noise RP. For the “random constant” both  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are zero. For the “random walk”  $\beta$  is zero and  $\alpha$  is unity. For the “first order Markov process”  $\beta$  is non-zero positive and  $\alpha$  is unity. For the discrete counterparts of these continuous RPs the differential equation (5.29) is replaced by the [difference equation](#)

$$X_{n+1} = b_n \cdot X_n + a_{n+1} \cdot W_{n+1} \quad (5.30)$$

where  $W_n$  is a zero-mean Gaussian white noise random sequence with variance  $\sigma^2$ .

- For the discrete “random constant”,  $b_n=1$  and  $a_n=0$ .
- For the discrete “random walk”,  $b_n=1$  and  $a_n=1$ .
- For the discrete “first order Markov process”,  $b_n \neq 0$  and  $a_n=1$ .

[Variance propagation:](#) (see Module 1, equ. (1.5))

Random constant:

$$\begin{aligned} X_{n+1} &= X_n \\ \sigma_{X,n+1}^2 &= \sigma_{X,n}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (5.31)$$

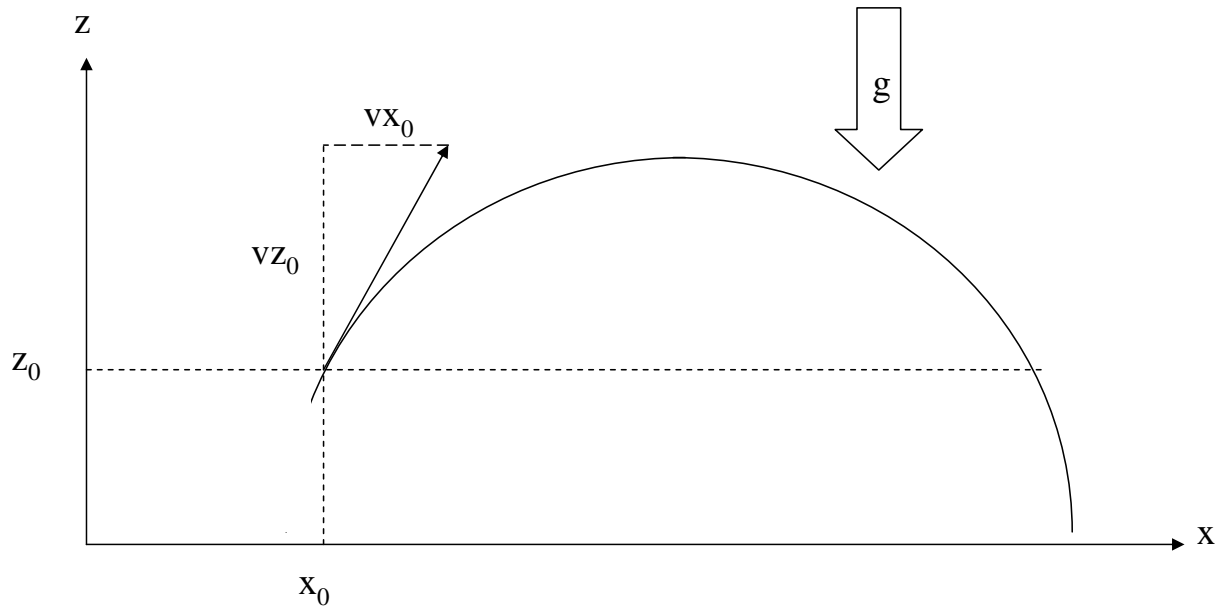
Random walk:

$$\begin{aligned} X_{n+1} &= X_n + W_{n+1} \\ \sigma_{X,n+1}^2 &= \sigma_{X,n}^2 + \sigma_{W,n+1}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (5.32)$$

First order Markov process (exponential decay in autocorrelation):

$$\begin{aligned} X_{n+1} &= b_n X_n + a_{n+1} W_{n+1} \\ \sigma_{X,n+1}^2 &= b_n^2 \sigma_{X,n}^2 + a_{n+1}^2 \sigma_{W,n+1}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (5.33)$$

## Chapter 6: An example



$$\begin{aligned} d^2z/dt^2 &= -g; \quad z(t_0) = z_0, \quad vz(t_0) = vz_0 \\ d^2x/dt^2 &= 0; \quad x(t_0) = x_0, \quad vx(t_0) = vx_0 \end{aligned} \quad (6.1)$$

## Chapter 6: An example - cont'd

Übung 1: analytically integrate equ. (6.1)

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow vx(t) &= f(vx_0, t); \quad x(t) = f(x_0, vx_0, t) \\ \Rightarrow vz(t) &= f(vz_0, g, t); \quad z(t) = f(z_0, vz_0, g, t) \end{aligned} \quad (6.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{measurements: } lx(t_i) &= x(t_i) + \varepsilon x(t_i) \\ lz(t_i) &= z(t_i) + \varepsilon z(t_i) \end{aligned} \quad (6.3)$$

Combine eqn. (6.2) and (6.3) to form observation equations; solve these equations to determine the (unknown) initial conditions. The results are estimates (least squares) for  $x_0, vx_0, z_0, vz_0$

Übung 2: repeat Übung 1 using sequential least squares estimation

$\Rightarrow$  same result as in Übung 1!



Übung 3: Assume that the analytical solution for eqn. (6.1) does not exist. Re-formulate eqn. (6.1) as a system of ordinary linear differential equations of first order:

$$dx_1/dt = x_2, \quad dx_2/dt = 0, \quad dz_1/dt = z_2, \quad dz_2/dt = -g$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -g \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.4)$$

With given initial conditions  $x_0, vx_0, z_0, vz_0$ , solve equ. (6.4) through numerical integration using a Runge-Kutta algorithm of third order, and a step size of 1s.

==> Result:  $x_1(t_i), x_2(t_i), z_1(t_i), z_2(t_i)$

NOW: Assume that it is not known, if there are any outside forces acting on the vehicle other than gravity. In this more general case there is no analytical solution for eqn. (6.1).

Assume that the vehicle carries a platform with two accelerometers measuring the vehicle's acceleration in two orthogonal directions. The platform is stabilised so that the accelerations are always measured in x-direction and in z-direction.

Accelerometer model: The output of the accelerometers is the sum the (integrated) true vehicle acceleration (velocity increments!), a random constant  $R$ , and a white noise  $W$ :

$$bz(t_n) = \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} \frac{d^2 z}{d\tau^2}(\tau) d\tau + R_z + W_z(t_n) - \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} g(\tau) d\tau$$

$$bx(t_n) = \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} \frac{d^2 x}{d\tau^2}(\tau) d\tau + R_x + W_x(t_n) \quad (6.4)$$

Integration: Position and velocity are computed from

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{x}(t_n) &= \tilde{x}(t_{n-1}) + v\tilde{x}(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2}bx(t_n) \cdot \Delta t \\
 v\tilde{x}(t_n) &= v\tilde{x}(t_{n-1}) + bx(t_n) \\
 \tilde{z}(t_n) &= \tilde{z}(t_{n-1}) + v\tilde{z}(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2}(bz(t_n) + \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} g(\tau) d\tau) \cdot \Delta t \\
 v\tilde{z}(t_n) &= v\tilde{z}(t_{n-1}) + bz(t_n) + \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} g(\tau) d\tau
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta z(t_n) &= \tilde{z}(t_n) - z(t_n), \delta v_z(t_n) = v\tilde{z}(t_n) - v_z(t_n) \\
 \delta x(t_n) &= \tilde{x}(t_n) - x(t_n), \delta v_x(t_n) = v\tilde{x}(t_n) - v_x(t_n)
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.6}$$

are position and velocity errors at epoch  $t_n$ .

True position and velocity are (theoretically) computed from:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t_n) &= x(t_{n-1}) + vx(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2}(bx(t_n) - R_x - W_x(t_n)) \cdot \Delta t \\
 vx(t_n) &= vx(t_{n-1}) + bx(t_n) - R_x - W_x(t_n) \\
 z(t_n) &= z(t_{n-1}) + vz(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2}(bz(t_n) - R_z - W_z(t_n) + \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} g(\tau) d\tau) \cdot \Delta t \\
 vz(t_n) &= vz(t_{n-1}) + bz(t_n) - R_z - W_z(t_n) + \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} g(\tau) d\tau
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.7}$$

Assumptions for equ. (6.7):

1. gravitational accelerations ( $g(t)$ ) are exactly known
2. kinematic accelerations change linearly within the interval  $\Delta t$

Taking the difference of equ. (6.5) and (6.7) according to equ. (6.5) describes the error growth:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta x(t_n) &= \delta x(t_{n-1}) + \delta v_x(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2}(R_x + W_x(t_n)) \cdot \Delta t \\
 \delta v_x(t_n) &= \delta v_x(t_{n-1}) + R_x + W_x(t_n) \\
 \delta z(t_n) &= \delta z(t_{n-1}) + \delta v_z(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2}(R_z + W_z(t_n)) \cdot \Delta t \\
 \delta v_z(t_n) &= \delta v_z(t_{n-1}) + R_z + W_z(t_n)
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.8}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta v_x \\ \delta z \\ \delta v_z \end{bmatrix} (t_n) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta v_x \\ \delta z \\ \delta v_z \end{bmatrix} (t_{n-1}) + \begin{bmatrix} 0.5\Delta t & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5\Delta t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_x + W_x(t_n) \\ R_z + W_z(t_n) \end{bmatrix} \tag{6.9}$$

The equation (6.9) describes the state of a linear system in the form

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}_{n-1} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{r}_n \quad (7.1)$$

$\mathbf{x}$  describes the state of the system,  $\mathbf{F}$  is the matrix describing the state transition,  $\mathbf{G}$  is a matrix, and  $\mathbf{r}$  consists of realisations of random processes. In general,  $\mathbf{r}$  consists of white noise  $\mathbf{w}$  (uncorrelated in time) and RPs with temporal correlations  $\mathbf{u}$  (random walk, random constant, Gauß-Markov processes, etc.). Correlated RPs can be described by differential equations or their discrete counterparts, equs. (5.31) -(5.34).

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_n &= \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}_{n-1} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_n + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{u}_n \\ \mathbf{u}_n &= \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}_{n-1} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{w}_n \end{aligned} \quad (7.2)$$

Inserting the second into the first equation

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}_{n-1} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_n + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}_{n-1} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{w}_n \quad (7.3)$$

Now the second equation (7.2) can be combined with the equ. (7.3) in a new system of equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{bmatrix}_n = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F} & \mathbf{G}\mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{bmatrix}_{n-1} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G} & \mathbf{G}\mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{w}\mathbf{u} \end{bmatrix}_n \quad (7.4)$$

This equation differs from equ. (7.1) in that respect, that the RPs in the second term on the right hand side are all white noise processes; the correlated RPs have augmented (erweitert) the state vector  $\mathbf{x}$ .

Continuation of example from module 6:

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5\Delta t & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5\Delta t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{w}_n = \begin{bmatrix} W_x(t_n) \\ W_z(t_n) \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_n = \begin{bmatrix} R_x \\ R_z \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.5)$$

In this example,  $R_x$  and  $R_z$  are random constants; therefore  $\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{A}=\mathbf{0}$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta v_x \\ \delta z \\ \delta v_z \\ R_x \\ R_z \end{bmatrix} (t_n) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta t & 0 & 0 & 0.5\Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \Delta t & 0 & 0.5\Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta v_x \\ \delta z \\ \delta v_z \\ R_x \\ R_z \end{bmatrix} (t_{n-1}) + \begin{bmatrix} 0.5\Delta t & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5\Delta t \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W_x(t_n) \\ W_z(t_n) \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.6)$$

State vector augmentation for other types of correlated RPs?

State prediction and state covariance propagation

Equ. (7.6) is of the type (similar to equ. (7.1)):

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}_{n-1} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_n \quad (7.7)$$

$\mathbf{w}_n$  are uncorrelated White Noise RP. The state of the linear system is predicted

$$\mathbf{x}_{n(p)} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x}_{n-1} \quad (7.8)$$

Since  $\mathbf{x}_{n-1}$  and  $\mathbf{w}_n$  are uncorrelated, the state covariance is propagated by:

$$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}_{n(p)} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}_{n-1}\mathbf{F}^T + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{w}_n\mathbf{G}^T \quad (7.9)$$

Example from Module 6: equation (6.5):

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}(t_n) \\ v\tilde{x}(t_n) \\ \tilde{z}(t_n) \\ v\tilde{z}(t_n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}(t_{n-1}) \\ v\tilde{x}(t_{n-1}) \\ \tilde{z}(t_{n-1}) \\ v\tilde{z}(t_{n-1}) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v\tilde{x}(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + 0.5bx(t_n) \cdot \Delta t \\ bx(t_n) \\ v\tilde{z}(t_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta t + 0.5(bz(t_n) + \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} g(\tau) d\tau) \cdot \Delta t \\ bz(t_n) + \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} g(\tau) d\tau \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.1)$$

State propagation: equation (7.6):

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta v_x \\ \delta z \\ \delta v_z \\ R_x \\ R_z \end{bmatrix} (t_n) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta t & 0 & 0 & 0.5\Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \Delta t & 0 & 0.5\Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta v_x \\ \delta z \\ \delta v_z \\ R_x \\ R_z \end{bmatrix} (t_{n-1}) + \begin{bmatrix} 0.5\Delta t & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5\Delta t \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W_x(t_n) \\ W_z(t_n) \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.2)$$

## Chapter 8: State observation and estimation – Kalman filter

In short notation

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{n-1} + \mathbf{f}(\text{sensor-output}, \text{gravity field}) \quad (8.1)$$

$$\delta \mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{F} \delta \mathbf{x}_{n-1} + \mathbf{G} \mathbf{w}_n, \quad \mathbf{C} \mathbf{w}_n, \quad \mathbf{C} \mathbf{x}_{n-1} \quad (8.2)$$

From equation (6.6):

$$\delta \mathbf{x}_n = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n - \mathbf{x}_n \quad (8.3)$$

External measurement  $\mathbf{y}_n$ , non-linearly related to  $\mathbf{x}_n$ :

$$\mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_n) + \mathbf{v}_n, \quad \mathbf{C} \mathbf{v}_n \quad (8.4)$$

If the errors (equ. (8.3)) are small, linearize equ. (8.3):

$$\mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{h}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n) + \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_n} \right|_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_n - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n) + \mathbf{v}_n, \quad \mathbf{C} \mathbf{v}_n \quad (8.5)$$

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Abbreviations:

$$\delta \mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{h}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n) \quad (8.6)$$

$$\mathbf{H}_n = - \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_n} \right|_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n} \quad (8.7)$$

$$\delta \mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{H}_n \delta \mathbf{x}_n + \mathbf{v}_n, \quad \mathbf{C}_{v_n} \quad (8.8)$$

Qu.: How to combine equations (8.2) and (8.8) optimally to estimate the errors  $\delta \mathbf{x}_n$  to improve the result from equation (8.1)?

Assumption:  $\mathbf{v}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_n$ ,  $\delta \mathbf{x}_{n-1}$  are not correlated.

Notation:

Use  $\delta \mathbf{x}_n(-)$  to indicate the result of the prediction from equ. (8.2)

Use  $\mathbf{C}_{x_n}(-)$  to indicate the covariance matrix resulting from the prediction using equations (8.2) and (7.9)

Use (+) to indicate result after evaluation the measurement equ. (8.8).

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From equ. (8.2):

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) &= \mathbf{F} \delta \mathbf{x}_{n-1}(+) \\ \mathbf{C}_{x_n}(-) &= \mathbf{F} \mathbf{C}_{x_{n-1}}(+) \mathbf{F}^T + \mathbf{G} \mathbf{C}_{w_n} \mathbf{G}^T \end{aligned} \quad (8.9)$$

Find a matrix  $\mathbf{K}_n$  to combine the measurements and the prediction result linearly:

$$\delta \mathbf{x}_n(+) = \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) + \mathbf{K}_n (\delta \mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{H}_n \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-)) \quad (8.10)$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{x_n}(+) = \mathbf{C}_{x_n}(-) + \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{C}_{v_n} \mathbf{K}_n^T + \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}_{x_n}(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{K}_n^T$$

or alternatively

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathbf{x}_n(+) &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) + \mathbf{K}_n \delta \mathbf{y}_n \\ \mathbf{C}_{x_n}(+) &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}_{x_n}(-) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n)^T + \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{C}_{v_n} \mathbf{K}_n^T \end{aligned} \quad (8.11)$$

Kalman Filter: Find the matrix  $\mathbf{K}_n$  (Gain matrix) such as to minimize the sum of the diagonal elements of the error covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C}_{x_n}(+)$

$$J_n = \text{trace}[\mathbf{C}_{x_n}(+)] = \min \Rightarrow \partial J_n / \partial \mathbf{K}_n = 0 \quad (8.12)$$

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In general: 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} [\text{trace}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}^T)] = 2\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} \quad (8.13)$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{K}_n} [\text{trace}((\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n)^T)] &= 2(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \cdot -\mathbf{H}_n^T \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{K}_n} [\text{trace}(\mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{C}v_n \mathbf{K}_n^T)] &= 2\mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{C}v_n \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{K}_n} [\text{trace}(\mathbf{C}x_n(+))] &= -2(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T + 2\mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{C}v_n \end{aligned} \quad (8.14)$$

→ 
$$\mathbf{K}_n = \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T (\mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T + \mathbf{C}v_n)^{-1} \quad (8.15)$$

→ 
$$\mathbf{C}x_n(+) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \quad (8.16)$$

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Kalman Filter equations summary:

Step 1: Prediction

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) &= \mathbf{F} \delta \mathbf{x}_{n-1}(+) \\ \mathbf{C}x_n(-) &= \mathbf{F} \mathbf{C}x_{n-1}(+) \mathbf{F}^T + \mathbf{G} \mathbf{C}w_n \mathbf{G}^T \end{aligned}$$

Step 2: Gain matrix computation

$$\mathbf{K}_n = \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T (\mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T + \mathbf{C}v_n)^{-1}$$

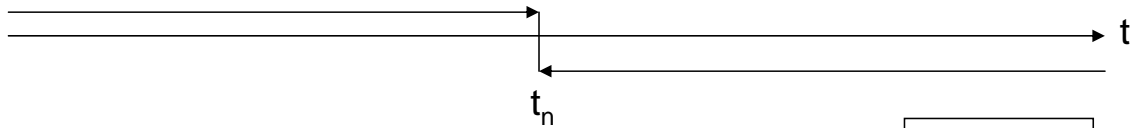
Step 3: Update

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathbf{x}_n(+) &= \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) + \mathbf{K}_n (\delta \mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{H}_n \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-)) \\ \mathbf{C}x_n(+) &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \end{aligned}$$



Forward Filter:  
(real time)

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \mathbf{x}_n(+) &= \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) + \mathbf{K}_n(\delta \mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{H}_n \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-)) \\ \mathbf{C}x_n(+) &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-)\end{aligned}\quad (9.1)$$



Backward Filter:  
(non-real time)

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \mathbf{x}_{nb}(+) \\ \mathbf{C}x_{nb}(+)\end{aligned}\quad (9.2)$$

Qu: How to combine equs. (9.1) and (9.2) for an optimal estimate based on all data?

Linear combination (weighted average)

$$\delta \mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{A} \delta \mathbf{x}_n(+) + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \delta \mathbf{x}_{nb}(+) \quad (9.3)$$

$$\mathbf{C}x_n = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{C}x_n(+) \mathbf{A}^T + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{C}x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^T$$

$\mathbf{A}$  and  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$  are the weight matrices.

Qu: How to choose the weight matrices?

Selection of an optimality criterion! Minimize the trace of the covariance matrix of the result!

$$\text{trace}(\mathbf{C}x_n) = \text{trace}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{C}x_n(+) \mathbf{A}^T + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{C}x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^T) \rightarrow \text{Min.} \quad (9.4)$$

Take the derivative of equ. (9.4) w.r.t. the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and equate to zero.

General rule: If the matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  is symmetric, then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} \text{trace}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A}^T) = 2 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P} \quad (9.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{trace}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{C} x_n(+) \mathbf{A}^T + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^T) \\ &= \text{trace}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{C} x_n(+) \mathbf{A}^T) + \text{trace}((\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^T) \end{aligned} \quad (9.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} \text{trace}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{C} x_n(+) \mathbf{A}^T + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^T) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} \text{trace}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{C} x_n(+) \mathbf{A}^T) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} \text{trace}((\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^T) \end{aligned} \quad (9.7)$$

From equ. (9.4):

$$2 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{C} x_n(+) + 2 (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (-\mathbf{I}) = \mathbf{0} \quad (9.8)$$

From equ. (9.8):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) + \mathbf{C} x_n(+))^{-1} \\ \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{C} x_n(+) (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) + \mathbf{C} x_n(+))^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (9.9)$$


Insert equ. (9.9) into equ. (9.3):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C} x_n &= \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) + \mathbf{C} x_n(+))^{-1} \mathbf{C} x_n(+) (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) + \mathbf{C} x_n(+))^{-1})^T \\ &+ \mathbf{C} x_n(+) (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) + \mathbf{C} x_n(+))^{-1} \mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) (\mathbf{C} x_n(+) (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}(+) + \mathbf{C} x_n(+))^{-1})^T \end{aligned}$$

Use matrix identity:  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^{-1} \mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{A}^{-1} + \mathbf{B}^{-1})^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\mathbf{C} x_n = (\mathbf{C} x_{nb}^{-1}(+) + \mathbf{C} x_n^{-1}(+))^{-1}} \quad (9.10)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\delta \mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{C} x_n (\mathbf{C} x_n^{-1}(+) \delta \mathbf{x}_n(+) + \mathbf{C} x_{nb}^{-1}(+) \delta \mathbf{x}_{nb}(+))} \quad (9.11)$$

Kalman Filter	Sequ. L. Sq. Estimation
state estimation  • errors • R.P.-parameters	Estimation of parameters, constant in time
$\delta \mathbf{x}_n(+) = \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) + \mathbf{K}_n(\delta \mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{H}_n \delta \mathbf{x}_n(-))$ $\mathbf{K}_n = \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T (\mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T + \mathbf{C}v_n)^{-1}$ $\mathbf{C}x_n(+) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-)$	$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_n = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{n-1} + [\hat{\sigma}_{0n-1}^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{n-1})^{-1} + \mathbf{A}_n^T \mathbf{P}_n \mathbf{A}_n]^{-1}$ $\cdot \mathbf{A}_n^T \mathbf{P}_n [\mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{A}_n \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{n-1}]$ $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_n) = \hat{\sigma}_{0n}^2 [\hat{\sigma}_{0n-1}^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{n-1})^{-1} + \mathbf{A}_n^T \mathbf{P}_n \mathbf{A}_n]^{-1}$
$\delta \mathbf{x}_n(-) = \mathbf{F} \delta \mathbf{x}_{n-1}(+)$ $\mathbf{C}x_n(-) = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{C}x_{n-1}(+) \mathbf{F}^T + \mathbf{G} \mathbf{C}w_n \mathbf{G}^T$	

The Kalman Filter degenerates to Sequ. L. Sq. Estimation, if

- the transition matrix  $\mathbf{F}$  is the Identity matrix
- the process noise covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C}w_n$  is zero

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \delta \mathbf{x}_n(\text{red X}) = \delta \mathbf{x}_{n-1}(\text{red X})$$

$$\mathbf{C}w_n = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \mathbf{C}x_n(\text{red X}) = \mathbf{C}x_{n-1}(\text{red X})$$

((-) and (+) removed, since no prediction step)

$$\mathbf{C}x_n(+) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \Rightarrow \mathbf{C}x_n = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n) \mathbf{C}x_{n-1}$$

$$\mathbf{K}_n = \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T (\mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_n(-) \mathbf{H}_n^T + \mathbf{C}v_n)^{-1} \Rightarrow \mathbf{K}_n = \mathbf{C}x_{n-1} \mathbf{H}_n^T (\mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_{n-1} \mathbf{H}_n^T + \mathbf{C}v_n)^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{C}x_n = \mathbf{C}x_{n-1} - \mathbf{K}_n \mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_{n-1} \Rightarrow \mathbf{C}x_n = \mathbf{C}x_{n-1} - \mathbf{C}x_{n-1} \mathbf{H}_n^T (\mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_{n-1} \mathbf{H}_n^T + \mathbf{C}v_n)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{C}x_{n-1}$$

Matrix inversion Lemma, for  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$  being a pos. def. matrices

$$(\mathbf{B}^{-1} + \mathbf{C} \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{C}^T)^{-1} = \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \mathbf{C} (\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{B} \mathbf{C})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{B}$$

## Chapter 10:

## Comparison between Kalman Filter and Sequential Least Squares Parameter Estimation

Identify:  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}x_{n-1}, \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{H}_n^T, \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{C}v_n$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{C}x_n = \left( \mathbf{C}x_{n-1}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{C}v_n^{-1} \mathbf{H}_n \right)^{-1}$$

Compare to Cov.- propagation for Sequ. L. Squ. Estimation!

Similar derivation for  $\delta \mathbf{x}_n$