

Lecture 20: Graph SLAM

Objectives:

- Understanding SLAM as:
 - * Dynamic Bayes Network
 - * Factor Graphs
 - * Least squares
- Maximum a-posteriori (MAP) solution.
- Enable you to read papers & understand literature building on these ideas.

Notation and Weighted Norm:

We define $\|r\|_{\Sigma}^2 := r^T \Sigma^{-1} r$.

Σ (covariance) is symmetric and PSD.

$\Sigma = LL^T$, L is the lower triangular Cholesky factor of Σ .

$$\Sigma^{-1} = (LL^T)^{-1} = L^{-T} L^{-1}.$$

Remark: $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$ and $A^{-T} = (A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$.

$$\begin{aligned} * \|r\|_{\Sigma}^2 &= r^T \Sigma^{-1} r = r^T L^{-T} L^{-1} r = (L^{-1} r)^T (L^{-1} r) \\ &= \|L^{-1} r\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Euclidean norm: $\|x\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$x = x_{0:k} = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k\}$$

$$z = z_{1:k} = \{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k\}$$

$$p(x, z) = p(x_{0:k}, z_{1:k-1}, z_k)$$

$$= p(z_k \mid \underbrace{x_{0:k}, z_{1:k-1}}_{\text{Markov assumption}}) p(x_{0:k}, z_{1:k-1})$$

$$= p(z_k \mid x_k) p(x_{0:k-1}, x_k, z_{1:k-1})$$

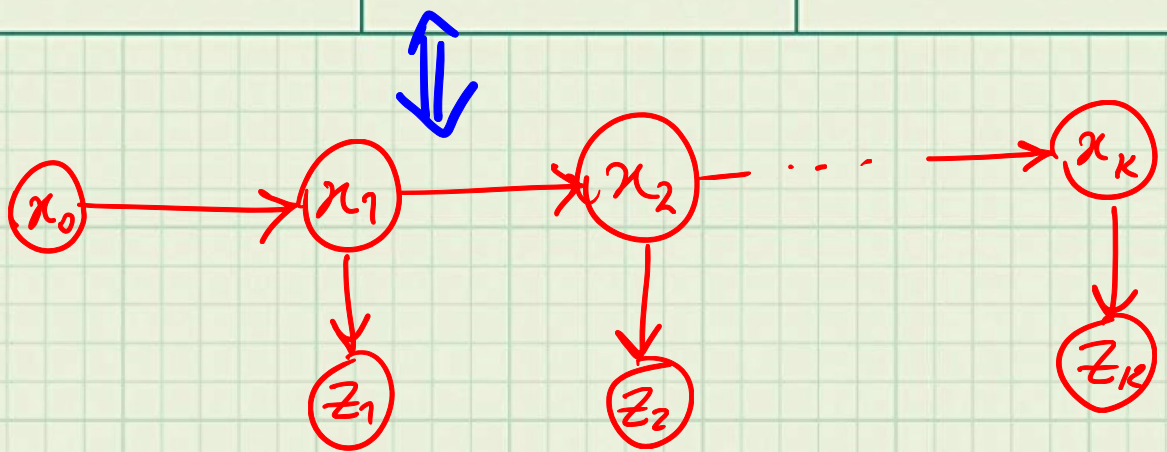
$$= p(z_k \mid x_k) p(x_k \mid \underbrace{x_{0:k-1}, z_{1:k-1}}_{\text{Markov}}) \cdot \underbrace{p(x_{0:k-1}, z_{1:k-1})}_{\text{Markov}}$$

$$= p(z_k \mid x_k) p(x_k \mid x_{k-1}) p(x_{0:k-1}, z_{1:k-1})$$

⋮

$$= p(x_0) \prod_{i=1}^k p(x_i \mid x_{i-1}) p(z_i \mid x_i)$$

$$= p(x, z)$$



Dynamic Bayes Network

Ex: $P(x_2 | x_1)$

$p(x_0)$ is prior

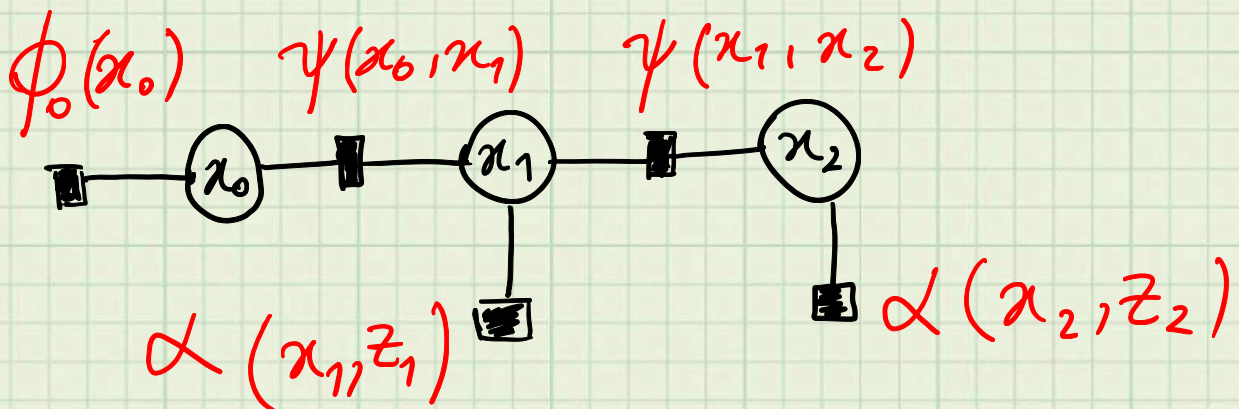
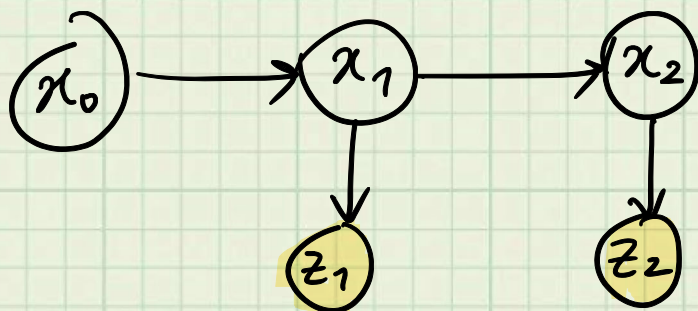
$p(x_1 | x_0)$ is the motion model

$p(z_1 | x_1)$ is the measurement model

Assumption: Gaussian noise model

$$\begin{cases} x_i = f(x_{i-1}, u_i) + w_i, & w_i \sim N(0, \Sigma_{w_i}) \\ p(x_i | x_{i-1}, u_i) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|f(x_{i-1}, u_i) - x_i\|_{\Sigma_{w_i}}^2\right) \\ z_i = h(x_i) + v_i, & v_i \sim N(0, \Sigma_{v_i}) \\ p(z_i | x_i) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|h(x_i) - z_i\|_{\Sigma_{v_i}}^2\right) \end{cases}$$

Factor Graphs



$$p(x, z) \propto \phi_0(x_0) \psi(x_0, x_1) \psi(x_1, x_2) \cdot \alpha(x_1, z_1) \alpha(x_2, z_2)$$

$$\phi_0(x_0) \propto p(x_0)$$

$$\psi(x_{i-1}, x_i) \propto p(x_i | x_{i-1})$$

$$\alpha(x_i, z_i) \propto p(z_i | x_i)$$

* Each factor is a sensor (measurement) model.

* Graphical modeling is an easy way to describe conditional independence and write the joint distribution.

* MAP Estimation.

$$\begin{aligned} x^* &= \arg \max_x p(x|z) = \arg \max_{x,z} p(x,z) \\ &= \arg \min_x -\log p(x,z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Remark: } p(x|z) = \frac{p(x,z)}{p(z)}.$$

* General framework for Sensor Fusion

$$x^* = \arg \min_x -\log p(x, z)$$

$$p(x, z) = p(x_0) \prod_{i=1}^M p(x_i | x_{i-1}, u_i) \prod_{j=1}^K p(z_j | x_{j_i})$$

$$-\log p(x_0) \propto \frac{1}{2} \|\hat{x}_0 - x_0\|_{\Sigma_0}^2$$

$$-\log p(x_i | x_{i-1}, u_i) \propto \frac{1}{2} \|f(x_{i-1}, u_i) - x_i\|_{\Sigma_{u_i}}^2$$

$$-\log p(z_j | x_{j_i}) \propto \frac{1}{2} \|h(x_{j_i}) - z_j\|_{\Sigma_{v_j}}^2$$

$$x^* = \arg \min_x -\log p(x, z)$$

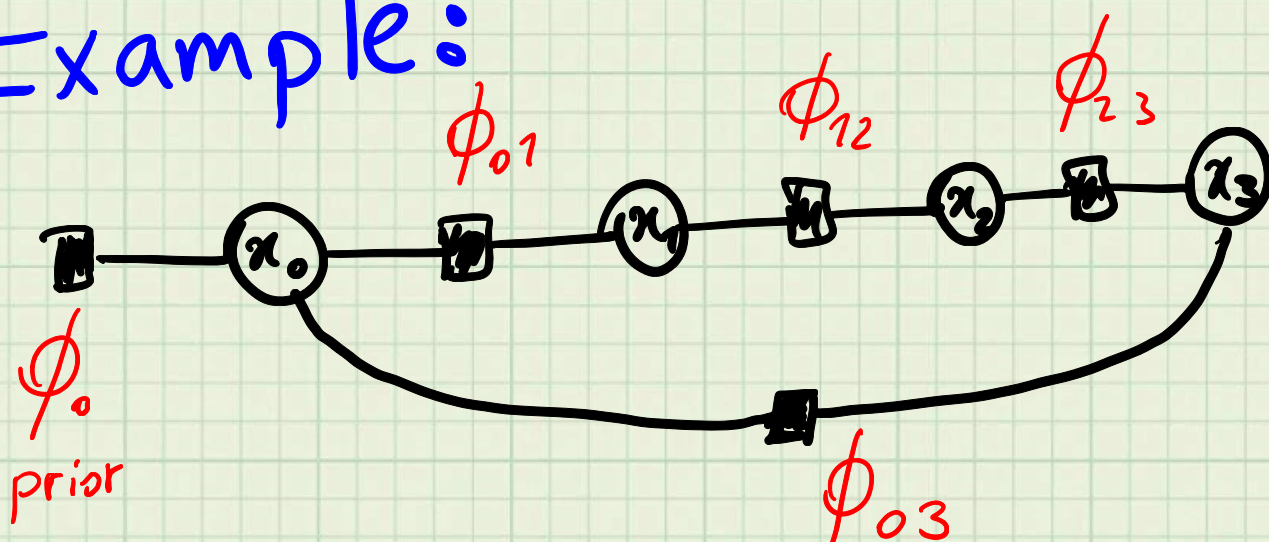
$$= \arg \min_x \frac{1}{2} \|\hat{x}_0 - x_0\|_{\Sigma_0}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|f(x_{i-1}, u_i) - x_i\|_{\Sigma_{u_i}}^2$$

$$x = x_0 : K \text{ (state)} + \frac{1}{2} \|h(x_{j_i}) - z_j\|_{\Sigma_{v_j}}^2$$

$$p(x_0) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\hat{x}_0 - x_0\|_{\Sigma_0}^2\right)$$

Remark: \hat{x}_0 is the mean prior.
 In many problems, e.g., HW7,
 we can set $\hat{x}_0 = 0$.

Example:



$$\phi_0(x_0) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|x_0 - \hat{x}_0\|_{\Sigma_0}^2\right) \propto p(x_0)$$

$$\phi_{ij} \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|x_j - x_i - u_{ij}\|_{w_{ij}}^2\right)$$

$$i < j$$

$$\propto p(x_j | x_i, u_{ij})$$

$$x_j = f(x_i, u_{ij}) + w_{ij} = x_i + u_{ij} + w_{ij}, w_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, W_{ij})$$

$$r_{ij} = x_j - f(x_i, u_{ij}) = x_j - x_i - u_{ij}$$

MAP problem:

$$-\log p(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|x_0 - \hat{x}_0\|_{\Sigma_0}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} \|x_j - x_i - u_{ij}\|_{W_{ij}}^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|L_0^{-1} (x_0 - \hat{x}_0)\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \|L_{ij}^{-1} (x_j - x_i - u_{ij})\|^2$$

$$=: \frac{1}{2} \|r_0\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \|r_{ij}\|^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_K \|r_K\|^2, \quad K = \{0, 01, 12, 23, 03\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_K r_K^T r_K$$

$$x^* = \arg \min_x \frac{1}{2} \sum_K r_K^T r_K$$

Next step: Linearize!

$$r_0 = L_0^{-1} (x_0 - \hat{x}_0)$$

$$\frac{\partial r_0}{\partial x_0} = L_0^{-1}$$

$$r_{ij} = L_{ij}^{-1} (x_j - x_i - u_{ij}) = \begin{bmatrix} -L_{ij}^{-1} & L_{ij}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ x_j \end{bmatrix} - L_{ij}^{-1} u_{ij}$$

$$\frac{\partial r_{ij}}{\partial x_i} = -L_{ij}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial r_{ij}}{\partial x_j} = L_{ij}^{-1}$$

$$Ax = b$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} x_0 \quad x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \\ \begin{bmatrix} L_0^{-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -L_{01}^{-1} & L_{01}^{-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -L_{12}^{-1} & L_{12}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -L_{23}^{-1} & L_{23}^{-1} \\ -L_{03}^{-1} & 0 & 0 & L_{03}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 5 \times 4 \\ 4 \times 1 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_0^{-1} \hat{x}_0 \\ L_{01}^{-1} u_{01} \\ L_{12}^{-1} u_{12} \\ L_{23}^{-1} u_{23} \\ L_{03}^{-1} u_{03} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 5 \times 1 \end{array}$$

Sparse QR factorization

$$A = QR$$

$$Ax = QRx = b$$

$$Q^T QRx = Q^T b$$

$$Rx = Q^T b$$

solve via back substitution.

Remark: In GTSAM, we build the graph, given data. The library solves the problem.

