

THE DISCRETE TIME KALMAN FILTER AND ITS APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. The discrete-time Kalman Filter is a recursively defined algorithm that can unbiasedly and optimally estimate the next state of a noisy discrete-time control system; the algorithm is named after one of its primary developers, Rudolf Kalman, who developed the algorithm in the 1960s. The Kalman Filter quickly emerged as a preeminent algorithm in control theory due to the optimality of the filter and its wide range of applicability and cross-disciplinary nature. For example, the Kalman Filter appears in position and navigation tracking, robotics, economics, medicine, and signal processing. Furthermore, one of the first implementations of the Kalman Filter concerned trajectory estimation of spacecrafts for NASA's Apollo Project. In this paper, we formulate the Kalman Filter that was first derived by Rudolf Kalman exactly fifty-six years ago. Then, we implement two examples of the Kalman Filter in physics settings to demonstrate the utility of the algorithm in applications. The filters in the examples are implemented using MATLAB.

1. INTRODUCTION

A filtering problem concerns forming the "best estimate" for some state in a system in which one only has some noisy measurements from the system. Noise is defined as some unexplained deviations in a measurement sample. For example, suppose we have a voltmeter that is set at a constant 0.5 V; however, we take some noisy measurements that vary around 0.5 V. In this filtering problem, we would like to determine a way to "filter" out the unexplained variations (noise) to bring the measurements closer to 0.5 V. In 1960, Rudolf E. Kalman published an article called "A new approach to linear filtering and prediction problems." This article introduced a recursive solution for a discrete time linear filtering problem. This solution is "the best" in the sense that it minimizes the variance of error (discussed in this paper), and it is recursive, allowing one to continually update as new measurements come in. After this development, Kalman Filtering has been used in a number of applications such as position tracking, robotics, and signal processing. The focus of this paper is to rigorously formulate the Kalman filter as a recursive, unbiased, linear, minimum variance estimator as in [6]; however, we tried to provide a more rigorous formulation than what was presented in these notes. In the first section, the setting for the Kalman Filter is described, as well as the assumptions that are made about the state-space model. In the next section, we derive the algorithm in six distinct steps. After the derivation, two implementations of the Kalman filter are described. All Matlab code is provided.

2. STATE-SPACE MODEL AND ASSUMPTIONS

In deriving the Kalman Filter, we assume we have the following model from [6]:

$$(2.1) \quad \mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{u}_k + \mathbf{w}_k$$

$$(2.2) \quad \mathbf{z}_k = \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{v}_k$$

List of Terms:

- Let k denote the discrete **time**
- \mathbf{x}_k - The state of the system at time k where $\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- \mathbf{u}_k - Input control at time k where $\mathbf{u}_k \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- \mathbf{z}_k - An observation at time k where $\mathbf{z}_k \in \mathbb{R}^p$
- \mathbf{F}_k - State transition matrix at time k with dimensions $n \times n$
- \mathbf{G}_k - Input transition matrix at time k with dimensions $n \times m$
- \mathbf{H}_k - Output transition matrix at time k with dimension $p \times n$
- \mathbf{w}_k - Process, system, or plant noise at time k where $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- \mathbf{v}_k - measurement noise at time k where $\mathbf{v}_k \in \mathbb{R}^p$

Assumptions:

- \mathbf{w}_k is a **white-noise** vector $\forall k$
 - (1) The components of the vector \mathbf{w}_k all have zero mean and finite variance $\forall k$
 - (2) The components of the vector \mathbf{w}_k are independent $\forall k$
 - (3) Since \mathbf{w}_k has zero mean $\forall k$, $\text{cov}(\mathbf{w}_k, \mathbf{w}_l) = E[\mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{w}_l^T]$. We assume \mathbf{w}_k has a known covariance

$$\text{matrix } \mathbf{Q}_k \implies \text{cov}(\mathbf{w}_k, \mathbf{w}_l) = E[\mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{w}_l^T] = \begin{cases} \mathbf{Q}_k, & k = l \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- \mathbf{v}_k is a **white-noise** vector $\forall k$
 - (1) The components of the vector \mathbf{v}_k all have zero mean and finite variance $\forall k$
 - (2) The components of the vector \mathbf{v}_k are independent $\forall k$
 - (3) Since \mathbf{v}_k has zero mean $\forall k$, $\text{cov}(\mathbf{v}_k, \mathbf{v}_l) = E[\mathbf{v}_k \mathbf{v}_l^T]$. We assume \mathbf{v}_k has a known covariance

$$\text{matrix } \mathbf{R}_k \implies \text{cov}(\mathbf{v}_k, \mathbf{v}_l) = E[\mathbf{v}_k \mathbf{v}_l^T] = \begin{cases} \mathbf{R}_k, & k = l \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- The noise \mathbf{w}_k and \mathbf{v}_l are uncorrelated $\implies \text{cov}(\mathbf{w}_k, \mathbf{v}_l) = E[\mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{v}_l^T] = 0 \forall k, l$
- The initial system state, \mathbf{x}_0 is uncorrelated to noise terms $\mathbf{v}_l, \mathbf{w}_k \implies \text{cov}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{w}_k) = E[\mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{w}_k^T] = 0, \text{cov}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{v}_l) = E[\mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{v}_l^T] = 0 \forall k, l$
- The initial system state has a known mean $E[\mathbf{x}_0]$ and error covariance $E[(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{0|0} - \mathbf{x}_0)(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{0|0} - \mathbf{x}_0)^T]$

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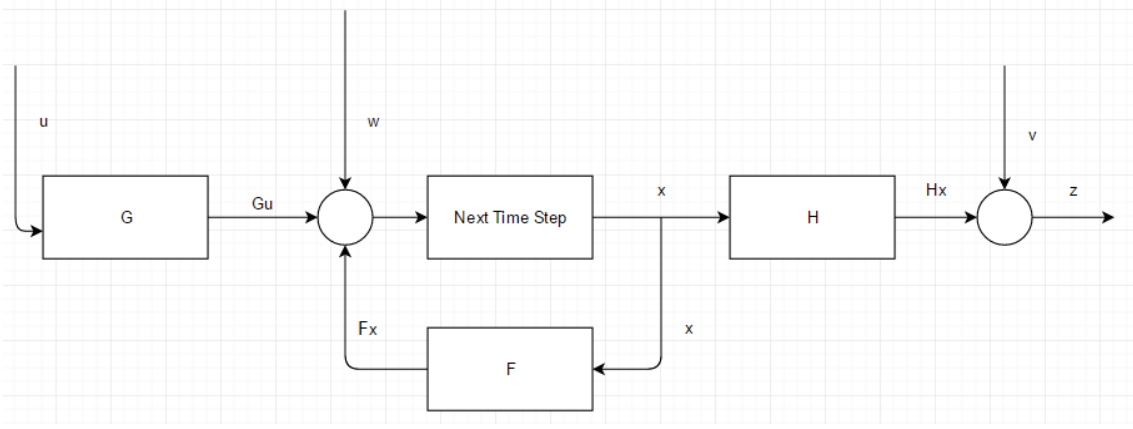


FIGURE 1. Picture of the State-Space Model described above

- When using the filter, the matrices F_k , G_k , and H_k are chosen based on the system one is modeling.
- Furthermore, one can also define an input control vector u_k based on the system dynamics.
- The model assumes one has gathered some set of measurements z_k from their system.
- The noise w_k, v_k need not be chosen, but instead one chooses the covariance matrices Q_k, R_k . Analysis of choosing these depends on the system and is beyond the scope of this paper.
- The initial state $\hat{x}_{0|0} = E[x_0]$ and error covariance matrix $P_{0|0} = E[(\hat{x}_{0|0} - x_0)(\hat{x}_{0|0} - x_0)^T]$ need to be defined as well. Analysis of choosing these initial values depends on the system and is beyond the scope of this paper.
- Finally, the states x_k are unknown and this is what one uses the Kalman Filter to estimate.

3. DERIVATION

The derivation of the Kalman Filter that follows is given in six steps. The first two steps develop two recursive, linear formulas for state estimators. Then, we prove that both these estimators are unbiased. Two more steps follow in which we derive linear, recursive formulas for the error covariance matrices of the two estimators. Finally, we derive a condition which makes our second estimator a minimum variance estimator.

3.1. 1st Recursive Formula for estimated states. Let us denote $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ as an estimator for the state x_{k+1} given all observations $Z^k = z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k$ as in [6]. Before, jumping into the derivation, we will need a couple definitions and theorems.

Definition 3.1 (Mean Squared Error). The mean-squared error for the vector x and its estimator \hat{x} is defined as:

$$E[||\hat{x} - x||^2] = E[(\hat{x}_1 - x_1)^2 + (\hat{x}_2 - x_2)^2 + \dots + (\hat{x}_n - x_n)^2]$$

Definition 3.2 (Minimum Mean Squared Error Estimator (MMSE) from [4]). Let z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n be a discrete parameter process which represents measured values of a random variable Z that is related to a random variable X . The minimum mean squared error estimator is defined as the estimator which minimizes the mean squared error, and it is given by:

$$\hat{x} = E[X|Z_1 = z_1, Z_2 = z_2, \dots, Z_n = z_n]$$

In the derivation of the Kalman Filter, we assume we have a discrete parameter process (set of measurements) z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k which are related to the states x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k through Equation 2.2. Thus, by the above definition, the minimum mean squared error estimator for the states given the observations $Z^k = z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k$ is given by:

$$\hat{x}_{k+1|k} = E[x_{k+1}|Z^k]$$

Below, we will derive a recursive, linear formula for the MMSE.

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{x}_{k+1|k} &= E[x_{k+1}|Z^k] \\
&= E[F_k x_k + G_k u_k + w_k | Z^k] \quad (\text{Equation 2.1}) \\
&= E[F_k x_k | Z^k] + E[G_k u_k | Z^k] + E[w_k | Z^k] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value}) \\
&= F_k E[x_k | Z^k] + G_k u_k E[1 | Z^k] + E[w_k | Z^k] \quad (\text{Pull Out Constant Vectors, Matrices } F_k, G_k, u_k) \\
&= F_k E[x_k | Z^k] + G_k u_k + 0 \quad (\text{The noise } w_k \text{ is zero mean } \forall k) \\
&= F_k \hat{x}_{k|k} + G_k u_k
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have a linear, recursive estimator (in terms of $\hat{x}_{k|k}$) that is also a MMSE. We will show that this estimator is unbiased later in the paper.

$$(3.1) \quad \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1|k} = \mathbf{F}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k} + \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{u}_k$$

3.2. 2nd Recursive Formula for estimated states. Now, suppose we add a new observation z_{k+1} . We now update our state estimate to account for this new observation with the equation $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1} = K'_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} z_{k+1}$ as done in [6]. This estimator is linear and recursive in terms of $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$. In the next part of the paper, we will show that this estimator along with the previous estimator are both unbiased. Furthermore, we will show that this estimator is a MMSE.

$$(3.2) \quad \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1|k+1} = \mathbf{K}'_{k+1} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1|k} + \mathbf{K}_{k+1} \mathbf{z}_{k+1}$$

3.3. Unbiasedness of State Estimator.

Definition 3.3. We say an estimator $\hat{\theta}$ is an unbiased estimator of a parameter θ if $E[\hat{\theta}] = \theta$ or $E[\hat{\theta}] = E[\theta]$.

Theorem 3.4. Let the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1} = K'_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} z_{k+1}$ of the state vector x_{k+1} be defined for the state-space system described by equations 2.1 and 2.2. If $K'_{k+1} = I - K_{k+1} H_{k+1}$, then $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ is an unbiased estimator of the state vector x_{k+1} .

Proof. Proof by induction:

Let this proof be governed by the state-space model described in equations 2.1 and 2.2.

Let $P(n)$, $n=-1,0,1,2,\dots$ be the statement that $\hat{x}_{n+1|n+1} = K'_n \hat{x}_{n+1|n} + K_{n+1} z_{n+1}$ is an unbiased estimator of $x_{n+1} \implies E[\hat{x}_{n+1|n+1}] = E[x_{n+1}]$.

Base case: P(-1)

By our initial conditions for our state-space model, $\hat{x}_{0|0} = E[x_0]$

$\implies E[\hat{x}_{0|0}] = E[x_0]$ Expected Value of Both Sides

$\implies \hat{x}_{n+1|n+1}$ is an unbiased estimator of x_{n+1} for $n = -1$.

Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume $\hat{x}_{k|k}$ is an unbiased estimator of x_k for some $k > -1$

$\implies E[\hat{x}_{k|k}] = E[x_k]$

Then...

$$\begin{aligned}
&E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}] \\
&= E[K'_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} z_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Equation 3.2}) \\
&= E[K'_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} (H_{k+1} x_{k+1} + v_{k+1})] \quad (\text{Equation 2.2}) \\
&= E[K'_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} x_{k+1} + K_{k+1} v_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Expand}) \\
&= E[K'_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k}] + E[K_{k+1} H_{k+1} x_{k+1}] + E[K_{k+1} v_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value}) \\
&= K'_{k+1} E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k}] + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] + K_{k+1} E[v_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Pull Out Constants Matrices from Expected Value}) \\
&= K'_{k+1} E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k}] + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] \quad (v_{k+1} \text{ has zero mean } \forall k) \\
&= K'_{k+1} E[F_k \hat{x}_{k|k} + G_k u_k] + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Equation 3.1}) \\
&= K'_{k+1} (E[F_k \hat{x}_{k|k}] + E[G_k u_k]) + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value}) \\
&= K'_{k+1} (F_k E[\hat{x}_{k|k}] + G_k u_k E[1]) + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Pull Out Constants from Expected Value}) \\
&= K'_{k+1} (F_k E[x_k] + G_k u_k) + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] \quad (\text{Inductive Hypothesis}) \\
&= K'_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} E[x_{k+1}] \quad (\text{See Below})
\end{aligned}$$

- (1) $F_k E[x_k] + G_k u_k$
- (2) $= F_k E[x_k] + G_k u_k + E[w_k]$ (w_k has zero mean $\forall k$)
- (3) $= E[F_k x_k] + E[G_k u_k] + E[w_k]$ (F_k, G_k, u_k are constant vectors and matrices)
- (4) $= E[F_k x_k + G_k u_k + w_k]$ (Linearity of Expected Value)
- (5) $= E[x_{k+1}]$ (Equation 2.1)

$= (K'_{k+1} + K_{k+1} H_{k+1}) E[x_{k+1}]$ (Simplify)

Thus, we have shown $E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}] = (K'_{k+1} + K_{k+1} H_{k+1}) E[x_{k+1}]$.

We need $E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}] = E[x_{k+1}]$. We can see that this happens only when $K'_{k+1} + K_{k+1} H_{k+1} = I \implies K'_{k+1} = I - K_{k+1} H_{k+1}$.

Hence, we claim by induction that if $K'_{n+1} = I - K_{n+1} H_{n+1}$, then $\hat{x}_{n+1|n+1}$ is an **unbiased** estimator of the state vector $x_{n+1} \forall n = -1, 0, 1, \dots$

□

By the previous theorem, our state estimate at time $t = k + 1$ given the observations z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{k+1} is unbiased when it is given by the equation:

$$(3.3) \quad \hat{x}_{k+1|k+1} = (I - K_{k+1} H_{k+1}) \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} z_{k+1} = \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} (z_{k+1} - H_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k})$$

Using this fact, we can now show that the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ is also unbiased.

Theorem 3.5. *Let the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ of the state vector x_{k+1} be defined for the state-space system described by equations 2.1 and 2.2. If $\hat{x}_{k|k}$ is an unbiased estimator of the state vector x_k , then $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ is an unbiased estimator of the state vector x_{k+1}*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} & E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k}] \\ &= E[F_k \hat{x}_{k|k} + G_k u_k] \text{ (Equation 2.1)} \\ &= E[F_k \hat{x}_{k|k}] + E[G_k u_k] \text{ (Linearity of Expected Value)} \\ &= F_k E[\hat{x}_{k|k}] + E[G_k u_k] \text{ (Pull out Constant Matrix } F_k) \\ &= F_k E[x_k] + E[G_k u_k] \text{ (}\hat{x}_{k|k} \text{ is an Unbiased Estimator)} \\ &= E[F_k x_k] + E[G_k u_k] \text{ (Pull in Constant Matrix } F_k) \\ &= E[F_k x_k + G_k u_k] \text{ (Linearity of Expected Value)} \\ &= E[F_k x_k + G_k u_k] + E[w_k] \text{ (}\hat{x}_{k|k} \text{ is zero mean)} \\ &= E[F_k x_k + G_k u_k + w_k] \text{ (Linearity of Expected Value)} \\ &= E[x_{k+1}] \text{ (Equation 2.1)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k}] = E[x_{k+1}]$, so $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ is an unbiased estimator of x_{k+1} .

□

Thus, we have shown our two intertwined estimators $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ and $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ are both unbiased estimators of the state x_{k+1} . Furthermore, we have shown $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ is MMSE. What remains to be shown is that $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ is a MMSE estimator. Next, we proceed by introducing the error covariance matrix. This will help us show that the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ is also a MMSE.

3.4. 1st Recursive Formula for Error Covariance.

Definition 3.6. The error covariance for a parameter x with estimator \hat{x} is given by in [6] as:

$$E[(x - \hat{x})(x - \hat{x})^T]$$

Definition 3.7. Let $X_n = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ be a vector of random variables and let $Y_n = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ be another vector of random variables. Then, the covariance of the two random vectors is defined by:

$$E[(X_n - E[X_n])(Y_n - E[Y_n])^T]$$

Theorem 3.8. *The system states x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k are uncorrelated to the noise terms $w_k, v_k \implies \text{cov}(x_n, w_k) = E[x_n w_k^T] = 0$ and $\text{cov}(x_n, v_k) = E[x_n v_k^T] = 0 \quad \forall \quad n \in [0, k]$*

Proof. Proof by Strong Induction:

We will prove the statement for the noise term w_k . Once this is proven the proof for the other noise term v_k is trivial. Let this proof be governed by the state-space model described in equations 2.1 and 2.2.

Let $P(n)$, $n=0,1,2,\dots,k$ be the statement that $cov(x_n, w_k) = E[x_n w_k^T] = 0$

Base case: $P(0)$

By the definition of covariance, $cov(x_0, w_k) = E[(x_0 - E[x_0])(w_k - E[w_k])^T]$
 $cov(x_0, w_k) = E[(x_0 - E[x_0])w_k^T] \quad (E[w_k] = 0, \text{ Kalman Filter Assumptions})$
 $cov(x_0, w_k) = E[x_0 w_k^T - E[x_0]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Multiply Through})$
 $cov(x_0, w_k) = E[x_0 w_k^T] - E[E[x_0]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value})$
 $cov(x_0, w_k) = E[x_0 w_k^T] - E[x_0]E[w_k^T] \quad (\text{Pull out Constant Vector } E[x_0])$
 $cov(x_0, w_k) = 0 - E[x_0](0) = 0 \quad (\text{Kalman Filter Assumptions, } E[x_0 w_k^T] = 0, E[w_k^T] = 0)$

Inductive Hypothesis: Assume $cov(x_n, w_k) = E[x_n w_k^T] = 0 \quad \forall \quad n \in [0, k-1]$

Then...

$cov(x_k, w_k)$
 $= E[(x_k - E[x_k])(w_k - E[w_k])^T] \quad (\text{Definition of Covariance})$
 $= E[(x_k - E[x_k])w_k^T] \quad (\text{Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k] = 0)$
 $= E[x_k w_k^T - E[x_k]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Multiply Through})$
 $= E[x_k w_k^T] - E[E[x_k]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value})$
 $= E[x_k w_k^T] - E[x_k]E[w_k^T] \quad (\text{Pull out constant } E[x_k])$
 $= E[x_k w_k^T] \quad (\text{Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k^T] = 0)$
 $= E[(F_{k-1}x_{k-1} + G_{k-1}u_{k-1} + w_{k-1})w_k^T] \quad (\text{Equation 2.1})$
 $= E[F_{k-1}x_{k-1}w_k^T + G_{k-1}u_{k-1}w_k^T + w_{k-1}w_k^T] \quad (\text{Expand})$
 $= E[F_{k-1}x_{k-1}w_k^T] + E[G_{k-1}u_{k-1}w_k^T] + E[w_{k-1}w_k^T] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value})$
 $= F_{k-1}E[x_{k-1}w_k^T] + G_{k-1}u_{k-1}E[w_k^T] + E[w_{k-1}w_k^T] \quad (\text{Pull out Constant Matrices and Vectors } F_{k-1}, G_{k-1}, u_{k-1})$
 $= F_{k-1}E[x_{k-1}w_k^T] + G_{k-1}u_{k-1}(0) + (0) \quad (\text{Kalman Filter Assumptions, } E[w_k^T] = 0 \text{ and } E[w_{k-1}w_k^T] = 0)$
 $= F_{k-1}E[x_{k-1}w_k^T]$
 $= F_{k-1}(0) = 0 \quad (\text{Inductive Hypothesis})$

Hence, $cov(x_k, w_k) = E[x_k w_k^T] = 0$

Thus, we claim by induction that the system state x_n is uncorrelated to noise term $w_k \implies cov(x_n, w_k) = E[x_n w_k^T] = 0 \quad \forall \quad n \in [0, k]$

□

Theorem 3.9. *The system state estimates $\hat{x}_{0|0}, \hat{x}_{1|1}, \dots, \hat{x}_{k|k}$ are uncorrelated to the noise term $w_k \implies cov(\hat{x}_{n|n}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{n|n} w_k^T] = 0 \quad \forall \quad n \in [0, k]$.*

Proof. Proof by Strong Induction:

Let this proof be governed by the state-space model described in equations 2.1 and 2.2.

Let $P(n)$, $n=0,1,2,\dots,k$ be the statement that $cov(\hat{x}_{n|n}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{n|n} w_k^T] = 0$

Base case: $P(0)$

By the definition of covariance, $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[(\hat{x}_{0|0} - E[\hat{x}_{0|0}])(w_k - E[w_k])^T]$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[(\hat{x}_{0|0} - E[\hat{x}_{0|0}])w_k^T] \quad (E[w_k] = 0, \text{ Kalman Filter Assumption})$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{0|0}w_k^T - E[\hat{x}_{0|0}]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Multiply Through})$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{0|0}w_k^T] - E[E[\hat{x}_{0|0}]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value})$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{0|0}w_k^T] - E[\hat{x}_{0|0}]E[w_k^T] \quad (\text{Pull out Constant Vector } E[\hat{x}_{0|0}])$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{0|0}w_k^T] \quad (\text{Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k^T] = 0)$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[E[x_0]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Initial Guess: } \hat{x}_{0|0} = E[x_0])$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = E[x_0]E[w_k^T] \quad (\text{Pull out Constant Vector } E[x_0])$
 $cov(\hat{x}_{0|0}, w_k) = 0 \quad (\text{Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k^T] = 0)$

Inductive Hypothesis: Assume $cov(\hat{x}_{n|n}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{n|n} w_k^T] = 0 \quad \forall \quad n \in [0, k-1]$

Then...

$cov(\hat{x}_{k|k}, w_k)$
 $= E[(\hat{x}_{k|k} - E[\hat{x}_{k|k}])(w_k - E[w_k])^T] \quad (\text{Definition of Covariance})$
 $= E[(\hat{x}_{k|k} - E[\hat{x}_{k|k}])w_k^T] \quad (\text{Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k] = 0)$
 $= E[\hat{x}_{k|k}w_k^T - E[\hat{x}_{k|k}]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Multiply Through})$
 $= E[\hat{x}_{k|k}w_k^T] - E[E[\hat{x}_{k|k}]w_k^T] \quad (\text{Linearity of Expected Value})$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= E[\hat{x}_{k|k} w_k^T] - E[\hat{x}_{k|k}] E[w_k^T] \text{ (Pull out Constant Vector } E[\hat{x}_{k|k}]) \\
&= E[\hat{x}_{k|k} w_k^T] \text{ (Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k^T] = 0) \\
&= E[(I - K_k H_k) \hat{x}_{k|k-1} + K_k z_k] w_k^T \text{ (Equation 3.3)} \\
&= E[(I - K_k H_k) \hat{x}_{k|k-1} w_k^T + K_k z_k w_k^T] \text{ (Multiply Through)} \\
&= E[(I - K_k H_k) \hat{x}_{k|k-1} w_k^T] + E[K_k z_k w_k^T] \text{ (Linearity of Expected Value)} \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) E[\hat{x}_{k|k-1} w_k^T] + K_k z_k E[w_k^T] \text{ (Pull out Constant Matrices } (I - K_k H_k), K_k \text{ and Known Vector } z_k) \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) E[\hat{x}_{k|k-1} w_k^T] \text{ (Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k^T] = 0) \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) E[(F_{k-1} \hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} + G_{k-1} u_{k-1}) w_k^T] \text{ (Equation 3.1)} \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) E[F_{k-1} \hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} w_k^T + G_{k-1} u_{k-1} w_k^T] \text{ (Multiply Through)} \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) E[F_{k-1} \hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} w_k^T] + E[G_{k-1} u_{k-1} w_k^T] \text{ (Linearity of Expected Value)} \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) F_{k-1} E[\hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} w_k^T] + G_{k-1} u_{k-1} E[w_k^T] \text{ (Pull out Constant Matrices and Vectors } F_{k-1}, G_{k-1}, \text{ and } u_{k-1}) \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) F_{k-1} E[\hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} w_k^T] \text{ (Kalman Filter Assumption, } E[w_k^T] = 0) \\
&= (I - K_k H_k) F_{k-1} (0) = 0 \text{ (Inductive Hypothesis)} \\
&\text{Thus, we claim by induction that the system state estimate } \hat{x}_{n|n} \text{ is uncorrelated to noise term } w_k \implies \\
&\text{cov}(\hat{x}_{n|n}, w_k) = E[\hat{x}_{n|n} w_k^T] = 0 \quad \forall n \in [0, k] \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.10. *The system state estimates $\hat{x}_{1|0}, \hat{x}_{2|1}, \dots, \hat{x}_{k-1|k}$ are uncorrelated to the noise term v_k , $\implies \text{cov}(\hat{x}_{n|n-1}, v_k) = E[\hat{x}_{n|n-1} v_k^T] = 0 \quad \forall n \in [0, k]$.*

Proof. The proof is similar to that above. First prove the base case, make an inductive assumption, and then prove $\text{cov}(\hat{x}_{k|k-1}, v_k) = E[\hat{x}_{k|k-1} v_k^T] = 0$. This proof will again involve Equations 3.1 and 3.3, but will be used in a different order than the last proof. \square

Below we derive a formula for the error covariance matrix for the state x_{k+1} which is estimated by $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ as in [6].

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{k+1|k} &= E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T] \\
&= E[((F_k x_k + G_k u_k + w_k) - (F_k \hat{x}_{k|k} + G_k u_k))((F_k x_k + G_k u_k + w_k) - (F_k \hat{x}_{k|k} + G_k u_k))^T] \\
&\quad \text{Equation 2.1 and 3.1} \\
&= E[(F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k}) + w_k)(F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k}) + w_k)^T] \\
&\quad \text{Simplify} \\
&= E[(F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k}) + w_k)((F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k}))^T + w_k^T)] \\
&\quad \text{Property: (A+B)}^T = A^T + B^T \\
&= E[(F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k}) + w_k)((x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T F_k^T + w_k^T)] \\
&\quad \text{Property: (AB)}^T = B^T A^T \\
&= E[F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T F_k^T + F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})w_k^T + w_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T F_k^T + w_k w_k^T] \\
&\quad \text{Expand} \\
&= E[F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T F_k^T] + E[F_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})w_k^T] \\
&\quad + E[w_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T F_k^T] + E[w_k w_k^T] \\
&\quad \text{Linearity of Expected Value} \\
&= F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})w_k^T] \\
&\quad + E[w_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + E[w_k w_k^T] \\
&\quad \text{Pull out constant Matrices from Expected Value} \\
&= F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})w_k^T] \\
&\quad + E[w_k(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + E[w_k w_k^T] \\
&\quad \text{Property: (A+B)}^T = A^T + B^T \\
&= F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + F_k E[x_k w_k^T - \hat{x}_{k|k} w_k^T] \\
&\quad + E[w_k x_k^T - w_k \hat{x}_{k|k}^T] F_k^T + E[w_k w_k^T] \\
&\quad \text{Expand Middle Terms} \\
&= F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + F_k (E[x_k w_k^T] - E[\hat{x}_{k|k} w_k^T]) \\
&\quad + (E[w_k x_k^T] - E[w_k \hat{x}_{k|k}^T]) F_k^T + E[w_k w_k^T] \\
&\quad \text{Linearity of Expected Value} \\
&= F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + E[w_k w_k^T] \\
&\quad \text{Theorems 3.8, 3.9: The states } x_k \text{ and state estimates } \hat{x}_{k|k} \text{ are uncorrelated with} \\
&\quad \text{the noise } w_k \implies E[x_k w_k^T] = 0, E[\hat{x}_{k|k} w_k^T] = 0, E[w_k x_k^T] = 0, E[w_k \hat{x}_{k|k}^T] = 0 \\
&= F_k E[(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})(x_k - \hat{x}_{k|k})^T] F_k^T + Q_k \\
&= F_k P_{k|k} F_k^T + Q_k
\end{aligned}$$

$$(3.4) \quad P_{k+1|k} = F_k P_{k|k} F_k^T + Q_k$$

Thus, we have a formula for the error covariance matrix for the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$. Next, we derive a formula for our error covariance matrix for the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ as in [6].

3.5. 2nd Recursive Formula for Estimated Error Covariance.

$$P_{k+1|k+1} = E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k+1})^T]$$

$$= E[(x_{k+1} - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})\hat{x}_{k+1|k} - K_{k+1}z_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})\hat{x}_{k+1|k} - K_{k+1}z_{k+1})^T]$$

Equation 3.3

$$= E[(x_{k+1} - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})\hat{x}_{k+1|k} - K_{k+1}(H_{k+1}x_{k+1} + v_{k+1}))(x_{k+1} - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})\hat{x}_{k+1|k} - K_{k+1}(H_{k+1}x_{k+1} + v_{k+1}))^T]$$

Equation 2.2

$$= E[(Ix_{k+1} - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})\hat{x}_{k+1|k} - K_{k+1}(H_{k+1}x_{k+1} + v_{k+1}))(Ix_{k+1} - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})\hat{x}_{k+1|k} - K_{k+1}(H_{k+1}x_{k+1} + v_{k+1}))^T]$$

Note: $Ix_{k+1} = x_{k+1}$

$$= E[((I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k}) - K_{k+1}v_{k+1})((I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k}) - K_{k+1}v_{k+1})^T]$$

Simplify

$$= E[((I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k}) - K_{k+1}v_{k+1})(((I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k}))^T - (K_{k+1}v_{k+1})^T)]$$

Property: $(A+B)^T = A^T + B^T$

$$= E[((I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k}) - K_{k+1}v_{k+1})((x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T - v_{k+1}^T K_{k+1}^T)]$$

Property: $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

$$= E[(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(v_{k+1}^T K_{k+1}^T) - (K_{k+1}v_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T K_{k+1}^T]$$

Expand

$$\begin{aligned}
&= E[(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T] \\
&\quad - E[(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(v_{k+1}^T K_{k+1}^T)] \\
&\quad - E[(K_{k+1}v_{k+1})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T] + E[K_{k+1}v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T K_{k+1}^T]
\end{aligned}$$

Linearity of Expected Value

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T \\
&\quad - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T \\
&\quad - K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T
\end{aligned}$$

Pull Out Constant Matrices

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T \\
&\quad - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T \\
&\quad - K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}(x_{k+1}^T - \hat{x}_{k+1|k}^T)](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T
\end{aligned}$$

Property $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T \\
&\quad - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[x_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T - \hat{x}_{k+1|k}v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T \\
&\quad - K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}x_{k+1}^T - v_{k+1}\hat{x}_{k+1|k}^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T
\end{aligned}$$

Expand Two Middle Expected Values

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T \\
&\quad - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(E[x_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T] - E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k}v_{k+1}^T])K_{k+1}^T \\
&\quad - K_{k+1}(E[v_{k+1}x_{k+1}^T] - E[v_{k+1}\hat{x}_{k+1|k}^T])(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T
\end{aligned}$$

Linearity of Expected Value

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T \\
&\quad - (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})(0 - 0)K_{k+1}^T \\
&\quad - K_{k+1}(0 - 0)(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T
\end{aligned}$$

Theorems 3.8, 3.10: The states x_{k+1} and state estimates $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$ are uncorrelated with the noise $v_{k+1} \implies E[x_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T] = 0, E[\hat{x}_{k+1|k}v_{k+1}^T] = 0, E[v_{k+1}x_{k+1}^T] = 0, E[v_{k+1}\hat{x}_{k+1|k}^T] = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T \\
&\quad + K_{k+1}E[v_{k+1}v_{k+1}^T]K_{k+1}^T
\end{aligned}$$

Simplify

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})E[(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})(x_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1|k})^T](I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T \\
&\quad + K_{k+1}R_{k+1}K_{k+1}^T \\
&= (I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})P_{k+1|k}(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}R_{k+1}K_{k+1}^T
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, our formula for the error covariance matrix of the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ is:

$$(3.5) \quad \mathbf{P}_{k+1|k+1} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_{k+1}\mathbf{H}_{k+1})\mathbf{P}_{k+1|k}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_{k+1}\mathbf{H}_{k+1})^T + \mathbf{K}_{k+1}\mathbf{R}_{k+1}\mathbf{K}_{k+1}^T$$

3.6. Finding the Minimum Variance Estimator of the State. Remember, we want to minimize the mean squared error $E[||\hat{x} - x||^2]$. Notice that

$$\text{trace}(\mathbf{P}_{k+1|k+1}) = E[||\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1} - x_{k+1}||^2] \text{ as given by [6]}$$

Our goal becomes now to find the K_{k+1} which minimizes $\text{trace}(\mathbf{P}_{k+1|k+1})$ and thus minimizes the mean squared error as they do in [6]. We first need to introduce a some terminology from [7].

Definition 3.11. Let f be a scalar and $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ be a matrix. Then, the derivative of the scalar f with

$$\text{respect to the matrix } A \text{ is } \frac{\partial f}{\partial A} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial A_{11} & \partial f / \partial A_{12} & \dots & \partial f / \partial A_{1n} \\ \partial f / \partial A_{21} & \partial f / \partial A_{22} & \dots & \partial f / \partial A_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial f / \partial A_{m1} & \partial f / \partial A_{m2} & \dots & \partial f / \partial A_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem 3.12. If A is any matrix and B is a symmetric matrix, then $\frac{\partial}{\partial A}(\text{trace}(ABA^T)) = 2AB$

Proof. Let A be a $n \times p$ matrix, and let B be a $p \times p$ symmetric matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \text{trace}(ABA^T) \\ &= \text{trace}(AB^T A^T) \quad (B \text{ is Symmetric}) \\ &= \text{trace}(A(AB)^T) \quad (\text{Property } (AB)^T = B^T A^T) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n [A(AB)^T]_{ii} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p [A_{ij}(AB)_{ji}^T] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p [A_{ij}(AB)_{ij}] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p [A_{ij} A_{ik} B_{kj}] \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have $f = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p [A_{ij} A_{ik} B_{kj}]$. Let the entries in the matrix $A^* = \frac{\partial f}{\partial A}$ be denoted by $(A^*)_{ij}$ for i, j fixed. Then,

$$(A^*)_{ij} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{ij}} A_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^p [A_{ik} B_{kj}] + A_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{ij}} [A_{ik} B_{kj}]$$

(Product Rule).

We can see that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{ij}} A_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^p [A_{ik} B_{kj}] = \sum_{k=1}^p [A_{ik} B_{kj}]$$

$$\text{and } A_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^p \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{ij}} (A_{ik} B_{kj}) \right] = 0, k \neq j$$

$$\text{and } A_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^p \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial A_{ij}} (A_{ik} B_{kj}) \right] = A_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^p B_{kj}, k = j$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^p A_{ik} B_{kj}, k = j$$

$$\text{Thus, } A_{ij}^* = 2 \sum_{k=1}^p A_{ik} B_{kj} \implies$$

$$A^* = \frac{\partial f}{\partial A} = 2AB$$

□

We now derive a condition that guarantees $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ is a MMSE as they do in [6].

$$f = \text{trace}(P_{k+1|k+1}) = \text{trace}((I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})P_{k+1|k}(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1}R_{k+1}K_{k+1}^T)$$

Equation 3.5

$$= \text{trace}((I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})P_{k+1|k}(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})^T) + \text{trace}(K_{k+1}R_{k+1}K_{k+1}^T)$$

Linearity of Trace

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial K_{k+1}} = -2(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + 2K_{k+1}R_{k+1}$$

Chain Rule and Thm.3.12

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial K_{k+1}} = 0 \implies$$

$$0 = -2(I - K_{k+1}H_{k+1})P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + 2K_{k+1}R_{k+1} \implies$$

$$0 = -2IP_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + 2K_{k+1}H_{k+1}P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + 2K_{k+1}R_{k+1} \implies$$

$$0 = -2IP_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + 2K_{k+1}(H_{k+1}P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + R_{k+1}) \implies$$

f has an extremum when $K_{k+1} = P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T(H_{k+1}P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + R_{k+1})^{-1}$

Looking at the Hessian of f , we can verify the K_{k+1} indeed minimizes f .

Since f is equivalent to the mean-squared error, this value gives the minimum variance estimator. Thus, our equation for K_{k+1} which guarantees a MMSE:

$$(3.6) \quad K_{k+1} = P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T(H_{k+1}P_{k+1|k}H_{k+1}^T + R_{k+1})^{-1}$$

Thus, we are done with our derivation. We will next summarize the equations we have.

4. EQUATIONS AND COMMENTS

Following the state-space model and assumptions given in section 2, we have:

- **Prediction Equations:**

- (1) $\hat{x}_{k+1|k} = F_k \hat{x}_{k|k} + G_k u_k$
 - This is an estimator for the state x_{k+1} based on the observations z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k .
 - We have proven this estimator is unbiased and MMSE.
 - We can also see this estimator is linear in terms of $\hat{x}_{k|k}$.
 - Finally, this estimator is coupled with the other estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$
- (2) $P_{k+1|k} = F_k P_{k|k} F_k^T + Q_k$
 - This is the error covariance matrix for the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$.
 - It is coupled with the error covariance matrix for the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$

- **Update Equations:**

- (1) $K_{k+1} = P_{k+1|k} H_{k+1}^T (H_{k+1} P_{k+1|k} H_{k+1}^T + R_{k+1})^{-1}$
 - This term is known as the Kalman Gain.
 - It guarantees that the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$ is a MMSE.
- (2) $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1} = (I - K_{k+1} H_{k+1}) \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} z_{k+1} = \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1} (z_{k+1} - H_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1|k})$
 - This is an estimator for the state x_{k+1} based on the observations z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{k+1} . Thus, it differs from the previous estimator in that we update the estimator with a new observation.
 - We have proven this estimator is unbiased and MMSE.
 - We can also see this estimator is linear in terms of $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$.
 - Finally, this estimator is coupled with the other estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$
- (3) $P_{k+1|k+1} = (I - K_{k+1} H_{k+1}) P_{k+1|k} (I - K_{k+1} H_{k+1})^T + K_{k+1} R_{k+1} K_{k+1}^T$
 - This is the error covariance matrix for the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1}$.
 - It is coupled with the error covariance matrix for the estimator $\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$.

5. EXAMPLE 1: SIMPLE KALMAN FILTER TO FILTER OUT NOISE FROM READINGS OF A NOISY DC VOLTMETER

In this example from [1], we assume we have a constant DC Voltage of 0.5 V, and we take noisy measurements $z_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, 100$ with a noisy voltmeter. Below we list all terms in the model.

List of Terms:

- Let k denote the **time**
- x_k - State vectors
- $u_k = [0] \forall k$
- z_k - Represents noisy voltmeter readings at time k .
- $F_k = [1] \forall k$
- $G_k = [0] \forall k$
- $H_k = [1] \forall k$
- w_k - Process noise at time k . The noise is generated automatically using the MATLAB function *mvrnd* with the covariance matrix Q_k .
- v_k - Additive measurement noise at time k . The noise is generated automatically using the MATLAB function *mvrnd* with the covariance matrix R_k .
- $Q_k = [0.00001] \forall k$. This is an arbitrary choice. Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper.
- $R_k = [1] \forall k$. This is an arbitrary choice. Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper.
- Equation 2.1: $x_{k+1} = x_k + w_k$
- Equation 2.2: $z_k = x_k + v_k$
- This is a very simplified example. The next state differs from the previous state only with noise. Furthermore, the measurements only differ from the states due to a noise term.

We have **Initial Conditions:**

- $\hat{x}_{0|0} = 0.5$ - This is an arbitrary choice. Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper.
- $P_{0|0} = [1]$ - This is an arbitrary choice. Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper.

Notes:

- To generate simulated measurements: We simulate states x_k with noise according to our initial guess and Equation 2.1. Then, we proceed by simulating measurements z_k according to Equation 2.2.
- We introduce a term called a predicted measurement $\hat{z}_{k+1|k} = H_{k+1}\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$. This term is used to compare the simulated measurements to the predicted measurements generated by the Kalman Filter.

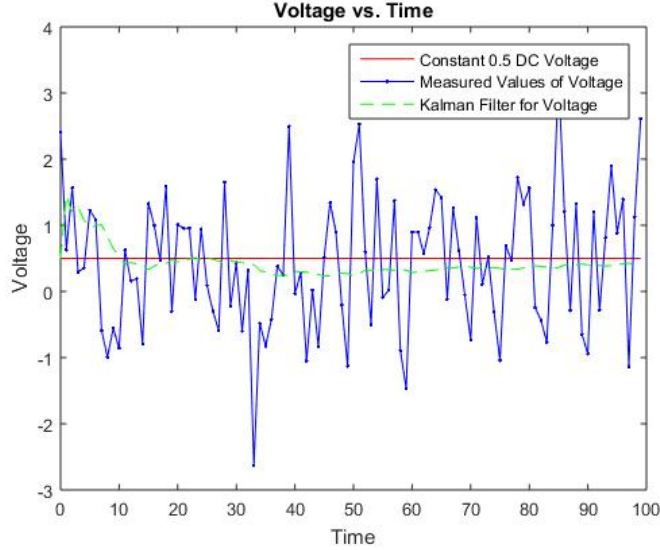


FIGURE 2. This plot corresponds to the first example of reading voltage from a noisy voltmeter. This graphs plots the simulated given measurements z_1, \dots, z_{100} , the predicted observations $\hat{z}_{1|0}, \dots, \hat{z}_{101|100}$ from the Kalman Filter, and the constant 0.5 DC Voltage. Notice how the filter filters out the noise.

6. EXAMPLE 2: KALMAN FILTER FOR PROJECTILE MOTION

In this example from [2], we will model projectile motion with drag b . Below we list all terms in the model and physics Equations:

- For our model, $x_0 = 0, y_0 = 0, v_{x,0} = 300, v_{y,0} = 600, a_x = 0, a_y = -9.8, \delta t = 0.1, b = 0.0001$
- Kinematic Equation for x position: $x_k = x_{k-1} + v_{x,k-1}\delta t$
- Kinematic Equation for y position: $y_k = y_{k-1} + v_{y,k-1}\delta t$
- Kinematic Equation for x velocity: $v_{x,k} = (1 - b)v_{x,k-1}$
- Kinematic Equation for y velocity: $v_{y,k} = (1 - b)v_{y,k-1} - a_y\delta t$

List of Terms:

- Let k denote the **time** where in the discrete case $k = 0, 0.1, 0.2, \dots, 120$.
- x_k - Represents the state vector at time k where $x_k = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ y_k \\ v_{x,k} \\ v_{y,k} \end{bmatrix}$
- u_k - Represents the input vector at time k where $u_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -a_y\delta t \end{bmatrix}$
- z_k - Represents the noisy measurements of x position, y position $z_k = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$

- $F_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \delta t & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 1-b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1-b \end{bmatrix}$

- $G_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- $H_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- w_k - Process noise at time k . The noise is generated automatically using the MATLAB function *mvrnd* with the covariance matrix Q_k .

- v_k - Additive measurement noise at time k . The noise is generated automatically using the MATLAB function *mvrnd* with the covariance matrix R_k .

- $Q_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot (\text{Arbitrary})(\text{Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper})$

- $R_k = \begin{bmatrix} 500 & 0 \\ 0 & 500 \end{bmatrix} \cdot (\text{Arbitrary})(\text{Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper})$

List of Terms:

- $P_{0|0} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot (\text{Arbitrary})(\text{Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper})$

- $E[x_{0|0}] = [0 \ 0 \ 300 \ 600] \cdot (\text{Arbitrary})(\text{Analysis of this choice is beyond the scope of this paper})$

Notes

- Simulating measurements and true projectile motion: We simulate states x_k with noise according to our initial guess and Equation 2.1. Then, we proceed by simulating measurements z_k according to Equation 2.2. We also simulate ideal conditions (Equation 2.1, Equation 2.2 without the noise w_k and v_k)
- We introduce a term called a predicted measurement $\hat{z}_{k+1|k} = H_{k+1}\hat{x}_{k+1|k}$. This term is used to compare the simulated measurements to the predicted measurements generated by the Kalman Filter.

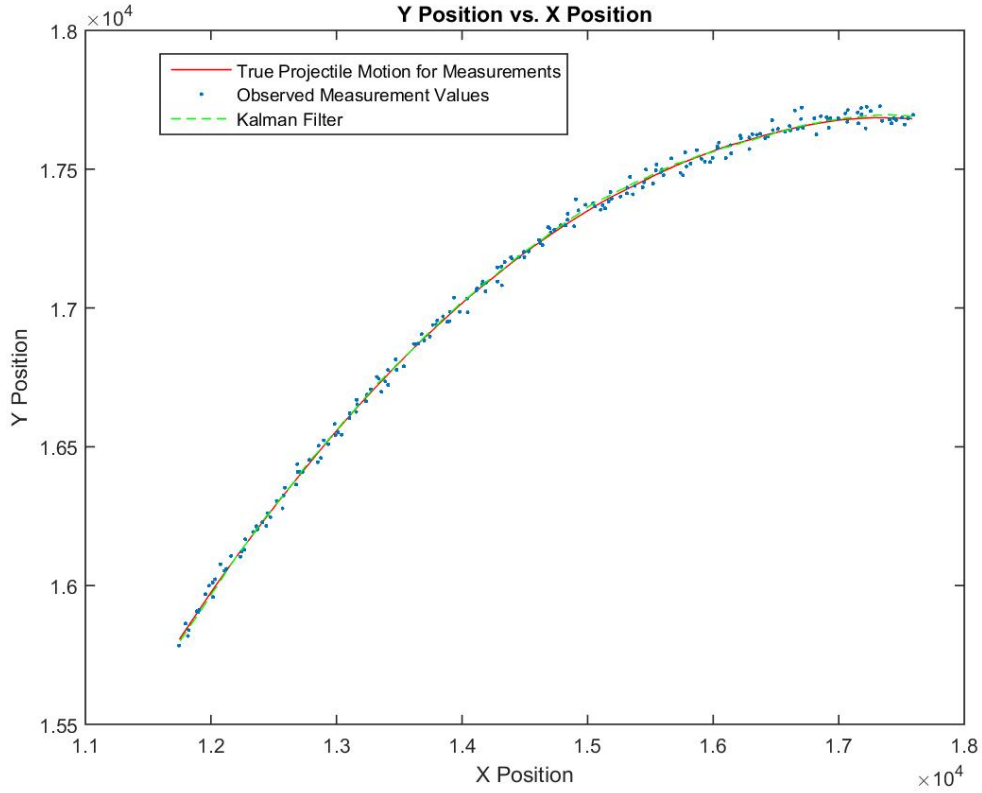


FIGURE 3. This plot corresponds to the projectile motion example. It plots the given observations, the predicted observations from the Kalman Filter, and the true projectile motion with no noise. Look how the Kalman Filter predicted observations are almost identical to the true projectile motion.

7. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we provided a more rigorous derivation of the discrete time Kalman Filter algorithm in full based on the derivation from [6]. We went through a step-by-step derivation to show that the algorithm produces a minimum variance, unbiased, recursive, linear estimate of the state of a noisy control system. We also provided two simple physics example in which the Kalman Filter algorithm was used, implementing these examples in MATLAB to demonstrate the utility of the Kalman Filter in practical applications. In this paper, we did not consider how to properly choose initial guesses and covariance terms, how to evaluate the performance of the filter, or any extension of the filter such as the extended Kalman Filter. This is something we look forward to doing in the future.

8. MATLAB CODE

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1
2 %Name: Alec Knutsen
3 %Date:12/08/15
4 %Description: Function that implements Kalman Filter Prediction Equations:
5     %Predict State:  $\hat{x}_{k+1|k} = (F_k)(\hat{x}_{k|k}) + (G_k)(u_k)$ 
6     %Predict Error Covariance:  $P_{k+1|k} = (F_k)(P_{k|k})(F_k)^T + Q_k$ 
7
8 function [x_pred, p_pred] = predict(xhat,P,F_k,Q_k,G_k,u_k)
9
10
11     x_pred = F_k*xhat + G_k*u_k;
12     p_pred = F_k*P*F_k' + Q_k;
13
14 end

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2 %Name: Alec Knutsen
3 %Date:12/08/15
4 %Description: Function that implements Kalman Filter Update Equations, Kalman
    Gain, and Prediction of Observations:
5     %Kalman Gain:  $K_{k+1} = (P_{k+1|k})(H_{k+1})^T[(H_{k+1})(P_{k+1|k})(H_{k+1|k})^T$ 
6     %
7     %
8     %
9     %
10    %
11
12 function [x_update,p_update,K ,z_pred] = update(xhat, P,z_k, H_k, R_k)
13
14     K = P*H_k'* inv(H_k*P*H_k' + R_k);
15
16     z_pred = H_k*xhat;
17
18     x_update = xhat + K*(z_k - H_k*xhat);
19
20     d = size(K*H_k);
21     needed_size = d(1);
22
23     p_update = (eye(needed_size) - K*H_k)*P*(eye(needed_size) - K*H_k)' + K*
        R_k*K';
24
25
26
27 end

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3 %Date:12/08/15
4 %Description:This Program runs the Discrete Kalman Filter Algorithm for the
5 %voltage example described in the paper.
6 %
7 %
8 %State Space Model:
9     % Equation 1:  $x_{k+1} = (F_k)(x_k) + (G_k)(u_k) + w_k$ 
10    % Equation 2:  $z_k = (H_k)(x_k) + v_k$ 
11    %
12    % Parameters:
13        %  $x_k$  - State vector at time k with deminsions nx1
14        %  $u_k$  - Control input at time k with dimensions mx1
15        %  $z_k$  - Observation at time k with dimensions px1
16        %  $F_k$  - State transition matrix at time k with dimensions nxn
17        %  $G_k$  - Input transition matrix at time k with dimensions nxm
18        %  $H_k$  - Observation matrix at time k with dimensions pxn
19        %  $w_k$  - Process noise at time k with dimensions nx1
20        %  $v_k$  - Additive noise measurement at time k with dimension px1
21        %  $Q_k$  - Covariance matrix ( $Q_k = E[(w_k)(w_k)^T]$ ) at time k with
22        % dimensions nxn
23        %  $R_k$  - Covariance matrix ( $R_k = E[(v_k)(v_k)^T]$ ) at time k with
24        % dimensions ppx
25        %  $P_k$  - Covariance error matrix ( $P_k = E[(\hat{x}_k - x_k)(\hat{x}_k - x_k)^T]$ )
26
27 %We have the following Kalman Filter Equations:
28 %Initial Conditions:
29     % $\hat{x}_0 = E[x_0]$ 
30     % $P_0|0 = E[(\hat{x}_0 - x_0)(\hat{x}_0 - x_0)^T]$ 
31 %Prediction Equations:
32     %Equation 3:  $\hat{x}_{k+1|k} = (F_k)(\hat{x}_k|k) + (G_k)(u_k)$ 
33     %Equation 4:  $P_{k+1|k} = (F_k)(P_k|k)(F_k)^T + Q_k$ 
34 %Update Equations:
35     %Equation 5:  $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1} = \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1}(z_{k+1} - (H_{k+1})(\hat{x}_{k+1|k}))$ 
36     %Equation 6:  $P_{k+1|k+1} = (I - (K_{k+1})(H_{k+1}))(P_{k+1|k})(I - (K_{k+1})(H_{k+1}))^T + (K_{k+1})(R_{k+1})(K_{k+1})^T$ 
37
38 % Extra Equations:
39     % Kalman Gain:  $K_{k+1} = (P_{k+1|k})(H_{k+1})^T[(H_k)(P_{k+1|k})(H_k)^T +$ 
40     %  $R_{k+1}]^{-1}$ 
41
42
43
44 %Beginning of Program:
45 %Note: Everything in this example is one dimensional. When, comments refer
46 %to vectors or matrices, everything is a scalar.
47
48 %User input: n - Size of state vectors

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49  n=1;
50
51  %User input: m – Size of input vectors
52  m=1;
53
54  %User input: p – The size of observation vectors
55  p=1;
56
57  %time – Discrete time variable
58  time=1;
59
60  %User input: num_est – Total number of states you want to estimate. In this
61  %voltage example, it estimates 100 states
62  num_est=100;
63
64  %xhat – Cell array that will store each estimated state vector (xhat_k|k)
65  % Each estimated state vector is size n x 1
66  xhat = cell(num_est,1);
67  %Initialize each estimated state vector to be zeros. These will be replaced
    with
68  %estimates
69  for i =1:num_est
70      xhat{i,1} = zeros(n,1);
71
72  end
73
74  %u – Cell array that will store each input vector (u_k)
75  %Each input vector is size mx1
76  u = cell(num_est,1);
77  %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
78  for i =1:num_est
79      u{i,1} = [0];
80
81  end
82
83
84  %F – Cell array that stores each F (state transistion) matrix
85  %Each F matrix is size nxn
86  %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
87  F = cell(num_est,1);
88  for i =1:num_est
89      F{i,1} = [1];
90
91  end
92
93
94  %G – Cell array that stores each G (input transition) matrix
95  %Each G matrix is size nxm
96  G = cell(num_est,1);
97  %User input: See the paper for proper initialization

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98  for i =1:num_est
99      G{i,1} = [0];
100
101  end
102
103  %H – Cell array that stores each H matrix
104  %Each H matrix is size pxn
105  H = cell(num_est,1);
106  %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
107  for i =1:num_est
108      H{i,1} = [1];
109
110  end
111
112  %Q – Cell array that stores each covariance matrix for the noise w_k
113  %The size of each Q is nxn
114  Q = cell(num_est,1);
115  %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
116  for i =1:num_est
117      Q{i,1} = [0.0001];
118
119
120  end
121
122  %R – Cell array that stores each covariance matrix for the noise v_k
123  %The size of each R is pxp
124  R = cell(num_est,1);
125  %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
126  for i =1:num_est
127      R{i,1} = [1];
128
129  end
130
131  %W – Matrix that will store each noise vector
132  %The noise vectors are of size nx1
133  W = cell(num_est,1);
134
135  %Note the noise is automatically generated based on the covariance matrix
136  %using mvrnd
137  for i =1:num_est
138      W{i,1} = (mvnrnd(zeros(1,n),Q{1,1}))';
139
140  end
141
142  %V – Matrix that will store each noise vector
143  %The v vectors are size px1
144  V = cell(num_est,1);
145  %Note the noise is automatically generated based on the covariance matrix
146  %using mvrnd
147  for i =1:num_est

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148     V{i,1} = (mvnrnd(zeros(1,p),R{1,1}))';
149
150 end
151
152 %P - Covariance matrix of errors (difference between estimated state and
      actual state)
153 %Each p matrix is size nxn
154 P = cell(num_est,1);
155 %We initially fill all covariance matrices to be a matrix of zeros
156 for i =1:num_est
157     P{i,1} = zeros(n,1);
158
159 end
160
161
162 %z_predicted stores each predicted observation (zhat_k+1|k)
163 %The size of each element of z_predicted is px1
164 z_predicted = cell(num_est,1);
165 for i =1:num_est
166     %We initially fill all z predicted vectors to be vectors of zeros
167     z_predicted{i,1} = zeros(p,1);
168 end
169
170
171 %x - Cell array that will store each state vector (x_k). We will generate
      state
172 %vectors based on an initial value of data and using equation 1
173 % Each state vector is size n x 1
174 x = cell(num_est,1);
175
176 %z - Matrix that will store each observation vector (z_k) in its columns
177 %Each observation vector is px1
178 z = cell(num_est,1);
179
180 %User Input: P_0 - Initial Covariance Matrix.
181 %See the paper for proper initialization.
182 P_0 = [1];
183
184 %Store initial value in P_cell
185 p_update = P_0;
186
187 %We make an initial observation of 0.5 DC Voltage.
188 x_1 = [0.5];
189
190 %Store initial value for Kalman Filter
191 x{1,1} = x_1;
192 x_update = x_1;
193
194 %We generate the first observation vector
195 z{1,1} = H{1,1}*x{1,1} + V{1,1};

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196
197 %We generate state vectors based on the initial observation and equation 1
198 %We generate observation vectors based on equation 2
199 for i = 2:num_est
200     x{i,1} = F{i-1,1}*x{i-1,1} + G{i-1,1}*u{i-1,1} + W{i-1,1};
201     z{i,1} = H{i,1}*x{i,1} + V{i,1};
202
203 end
204
205
206 while(time<=num_est);
207
208
209     %Store updated estimates for state(xhat_k+1|k+1) and error covariance (
        Phat_k+1|k+1)
210     xhat{time,1} = x_update;
211     P{time,1} = p_update;
212
213     % Implements prediction equations 3 and 4
214     [x_pred, p_pred] = predict(x_update, p_update, F{time,1}, Q{time,1}, G{time
        ,1}, u{time,1});
215
216
217     % Implements update equations 5 and 6
218     [x_update, p_update, K, z_predictions] = update(x_pred, p_pred, z{time,1}, H{
        time,1}, R{time,1});
219
220     %Store z_predicted (zhat_k+1|k)
221     z_predicted{time,1} = z_predictions;
222
223     time=time+1;
224
225 end;
226
227 %Store time for plotting purposes
228 time_vec = zeros(1,num_est);
229
230
231 %This vector will hold a constant DC Voltage of 0.5V
232 ideal_voltage = zeros(1,num_est);
233
234 %This vector will hold the actual voltage measurements (z_k)
235 measurements_with_noise = zeros(1,num_est);
236
237 %This vector will hold the predicted observations based on The Kalman Filter (
        zhat_k+1)
238 predicted_observations = zeros(1,num_est);
239
240 %This stores the elements of the cell array elements into the the above
241 %vectors

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242 for i=0:num_est-1
243
244     %Stores time
245     time_vec(1,i+1)=i;
246
247     %Stores ideal voltage
248     ideal_voltage(1,i+1)=0.5;
249
250     %Stores noisy voltage measurements
251     d = z{i+1,1};
252     measurements_with_noise(1,i+1)=d(1,1);
253
254     %Stores Kalman Filter predicted measurements
255     g=z_predicted{i+1,1};
256     predicted_observations(1,i+1)=g(1,1);
257
258
259 end
260
261
262 %Plot of the constant 0.5 V DC Voltage, Kalman Filter predicted voltage, and
263 %the noisy voltage measurements
264 figure()
265 plot(time_vec,ideal_voltage,'r'); hold on;
266 plot(time_vec,measurements_with_noise,'.-b'); hold on;
267 plot(time_vec,predicted_observations,'--g');
268 legend('Constant 0.5 DC Voltage','Measured Values of Voltage','Kalman Filter
    for Voltage')
269 title('Voltage vs. Time')
270 xlabel('Time')
271 ylabel('Voltage');

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4 %Description:This Program runs the Discrete Kalman Filter Algorithm for the
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8 %State Space Model:
9 %   Equation 1:  $x_{k+1} = (F_k)(x_k)(G_k)(u_k) + w_k$ 
10 %   Equation 2:  $z_k = (H_k)(x_k) + v_k$ 
11 %
12 % Parameters:
13 %  $x_k$  - State vector at time k with deminsions nx1
14 %  $u_k$  - Control input at time k with dimensions mx1
15 %  $z_k$  - Observation at time k with dimensions px1
16 %  $F_k$  - State transition matrix at time k with dimensions nxn
17 %  $G_k$  - Input transition matrix at time k with dimensions nxm

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18      % H_k - Observation matrix at time k with dimensions pxn
19      % w_k - Process noise at time k with dimensions nx1
20      % v_k - Additive noise measurement at time k with dimension px1
21      % Q_k - Covariance matrix ( $Q = E[(w_k)(w_k)^T]$ ) at time k with
22      % dimensions nxn
23      %R_k - Covariance matrix ( $R_k = E[(v_k)(v_k)^T]$ ) at time k with
24      % dimensions pxp
25      %P_k - Covariance error matrix ( $P_k = E[(\hat{x}_k - x_k)(\hat{x}_k - x_k)^T]$ )
26
27 %We have the following Kalman Filter Equations:
28 %Initial Conditions:
29     %xhat_0 = E[x_0]
30     %P_0|0 = E[(xhat_0 - x_0)(xhat_0 - x_0)^T]
31 %Prediction Equations:
32     %Equation 3:  $\hat{x}_{k+1|k} = (F_k)(\hat{x}_k|k) + (G_k)(u_k)$ 
33     %Equation 4:  $P_{k+1|k} = (F_k)(P_k|k)(F_k)^T + Q_k$ 
34 %Update Equations:
35     %Equation 5:  $\hat{x}_{k+1|k+1} = \hat{x}_{k+1|k} + K_{k+1}(z_{k+1} - (H_{k+1})(\hat{x}_{k+1|k}))$ 
36     %Equation 6:  $P_{k+1|k+1} = (I - (K_{k+1})(H_{k+1}))(P_{k+1|k})(I - (K_{k+1})(H_{k+1}))^T +$ 
37     %
38     %
39     %
40     %
41     %
42
43
44 %Beginning of Program:
45
46 %User input: n - Size of state vectors
47 n=4;
48
49 %User input: m - Size of input vectors
50 m=4;
51
52 %User input: p - Size of observation vectors
53 p=2;
54
55 %time - Discrete time variable
56 time=1;
57
58 %User input: num_est - Total number of states you want to estimate
59 %Projectile Example: This estimates from 0-120 seconds at 0.1 second time
60 %intervals
61 num_est=1200;
62
63 %xhat - Cell array that will store each updated state vector ( $\hat{x}_k|k$ )
64 % Each updated state vector is size n x 1
65 xhat = cell(num_est,1);

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66 %Initialize each estimated state vector to be zeros. These will be replaced
    with
67 %estimates
68 for i =1:num_est
69     xhat{i,1} = zeros(n,1);
70
71 end
72
73 %u – Cell array that will store each input vector (u_k)
74 %Each input vector is size mx1
75 u = cell(num_est,1);
76 %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
77 for i =1:num_est
78     u{i,1} = [0; 0; 0; -0.98];
79
80 end
81
82
83 %F – Cell array that stores each F (state transistion) matrix
84 %Each F matrix is size nxn
85 %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
86 F = cell(num_est,1);
87 for i =1:num_est
88     F{i,1} = [1 0 0.1 0; 0 1 0 0.1; 0 0 1-(0.0001) 0; 0 0 0 1-(0.0001)];
89
90 end
91
92
93 %G – Cell array that stores each G (input transition) matrix
94 %Each G matrix is size nxm
95 G = cell(num_est,1);
96 %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
97 for i =1:num_est
98     G{i,1} = [1 0 0 0; 0 1 0 0; 0 0 1 0 ; 0 0 0 1];
99
100 end
101
102 %H – Cell array that stores each H matrix
103 %Each H matrix is size pxn
104 H = cell(num_est,1);
105 %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
106 for i =1:num_est
107     H{i,1} = [1 0 0 0; 0 1 0 0];
108
109 end
110
111 %Q – Cell array that stores each covariance matrix for the noise w_k
112 %The size of each Q is nxn
113 Q = cell(num_est,1);
114 %User input: See the paper for proper initialization.

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115 for i =1:num_est
116     Q{i,1} = [0.1 0 0 0;0 0.1 0 0;0 0 0.1 0;0 0 0 0.1];
117
118
119 end
120
121 %R – Cell array that stores each covariance matrix for the noise v_k
122 %The size of each R is p_xp
123 R = cell(num_est,1);
124 %User input: See the paper for proper initialization
125 for i =1:num_est
126     R{i,1} = [500 0;0 500];
127
128 end
129
130 %W – Cell array that will store each noise vector
131 %The noise vectors are of size n_x1
132 W = cell(num_est,1);
133
134 %Note the noise is automatically generated based on the covariance matrix
135 %using mvnrnd
136 for i =1:num_est
137     W{i,1} = (mvnrnd(zeros(1,n),Q{1,1}))';
138
139 end
140
141 %V – Cell array that will store each noise vector
142 %The v vectors are size p_x1
143 V = cell(num_est,1);
144 %Note the noise is automatically generated based on the covariance matrix
145 %using mvnrnd
146 for i =1:num_est
147     V{i,1} = (mvnrnd(zeros(1,p),R{1,1}))';
148
149 end
150
151 %P – Covariance matrix of errors (difference between estimated state and
    actual state)
152 %Each p matrix is size n_xn
153 P = cell(num_est,1);
154 %We initially fill all covariance matrices to be a matrix of zeros
155 for i =1:num_est
156     P{i,1} = zeros(n,1);
157
158 end
159
160 %z_predicted – Stores each predicted observation (zhat_k+1|k)
161 %The size of each element predicted observation is p_x1
162 z_predicted = cell(num_est,1);
163 for i =1:num_est

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164     %We initially fill all z predicted vectors to be vectors of zeros
165     z_predicted{i,1} = zeros(p,1);
166 end
167
168 %x – Cell array that will store a generated sequence of state vectors (x_k)
    given
169 %an initial state vector.
170 % Each state vector is size n x 1
171 x = cell(num_est,1);
172
173 %z – Matrix that will store each observation vector (z_k) in its columns
174 %Each observation vector is px1
175 z = cell(num_est,1);
176
177 %ideal_observations – Matrix that will store each z_k with noise w_k,v_k
178 %removed
179 %Each ideal observation vector is px1
180 ideal_observations = cell(num_est,1);
181
182 %User Input: P_0 – Initial Covariance Matrix. In this example, use the
183 %identity matrix.
184 P_0 = [1 0 0 0;0 1 0 0;0 0 1 0;0 0 0 1];
185
186 %Store initial value in P_cell
187 p_update = P_0;
188
189 %Initiialize initial state vector. Assume we know the initial conditions
190 %for projectile motion.
191 x_1 = [0;0;300;600];
192 x{1,1} = x_1;
193 x_update = x{1,1};
194
195 %Generate the first observation vector
196 z{1,1} = H{1,1}*x{1,1} + V{1,1};
197
198 %Generate first ideal motion value (no noise)
199 ideal_observations{1,1} = H{1,1}*x{1,1};
200
201 %Generate a sequence of state vectors (x_k) based on the initial conditions.
202 %Also, generate a sequence of observation vectors (z_k)
203 %Finally, generate a sequence of observations with no noise w_k,v_k
204 for i = 2:num_est
205     x{i,1} = F{i-1,1}*x{i-1,1} + G{i-1,1}*u{i-1,1} + W{i-1,1};
206     z{i,1} = H{i,1}*x{i,1} + V{i,1};
207
208     x_no_noise = F{i-1,1}*x{i-1,1} + G{i-1,1}*u{i-1,1};
209     ideal_observations{i,1} = H{i,1}*x_no_noise;
210
211 end
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213 while (time<=num_est);
214
215
216     %Store updated estimates for state(xhat_k+1|k+1) and error covariance (
        Phat_k+1|k+1)
217     xhat{time,1} = x_update;
218     P{time,1} = p_update;
219
220     % Implements prediction equations 3 and 4
221     [x_pred, p_pred] = predict(x_update, p_update, F{time,1}, Q{time,1}, G{time
        ,1}, u{time,1});
222
223     % Implements update equations 5 and 6
224     [x_update, p_update, K, z_predictions] = update(x_pred, p_pred, z{time,1}, H{
        time,1}, R{time,1});
225
226     %Store z_predicted (zhat_k+1|k)
227     z_predicted{time,1} = z_predictions;
228
229     time=time+1;
230
231
232
233
234 end;
235
236 %END OF PROGRAM ANALYSIS AFTER.
237
238 %Store time for plotting purposes
239 time_vec = zeros(1,num_est);
240
241 %This matrix will hold the ideal projectile motion observations (z_k with no
        noise w_k, v_k)
242 ideal_motion_mesurements = zeros(2,num_est);
243
244 %This matrix will hold the actual measurements (z_k)
245 measurements_with_noise = zeros(2,num_est);
246
247 %This matrix will hold the predicted observations (zhat_k+1)
248 predicted_observations = zeros(2,num_est);
249
250
251 %This stores the elements of the cell array elements into the the above
252 %vectors
253 for i=0:num_est-1
254
255     %Stores time
256     time_vec(1,i+1)=i*0.1;
257
258     %Store ideal x,y position (z_k with no noise w_k, v_k)

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259     b = ideal_observations{i+1,1};
260     ideal_motion_measurements(1,i+1)=b(1,1);
261     ideal_motion_measurements(2,i+1)=b(2,1);
262
263     %Store x,y position of observations with noise(z_k)
264     d = z{i+1,1};
265     measurements_with_noise(1,i+1)=d(1,1);
266     measurements_with_noise(2,i+1)=d(2,1);
267
268     %Store x,y position of predicted observations from Kalman Filter (zhat_k
        +1|k)
269     g=z_predicted{i+1,1};
270     predicted_observations(1,i+1)=g(1,1);
271     predicted_observations(2,i+1)=g(2,1);
272
273
274 end
275
276
277 %Plot of the ideal projectile motion, the noisy measurements motion, and
278 %the Kalman Filter predicted motion for the time between 4 and 6 seconds
279 %and 0.1 second time intervals
280 figure()
281 plot(ideal_motion_measurements(1,400:600),ideal_motion_measurements(2,400:600), '
    r'); hold on;
282 plot(measurements_with_noise(1,400:600),measurements_with_noise(2,400:600), '. '
    ); hold on;
283 plot(predicted_observations(1,400:600),predicted_observations(2,400:600), '—g'
    );
284 legend('True Projectile Motion for Measurements','Observed Measurement Values'
    , 'Kalman Filter')
285 title('Y Position vs. X Position')
286 xlabel('X Position')
287 ylabel('Y Position')

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