

Fusion Strategies for Unequal State Vectors in Distributed Kalman Filtering

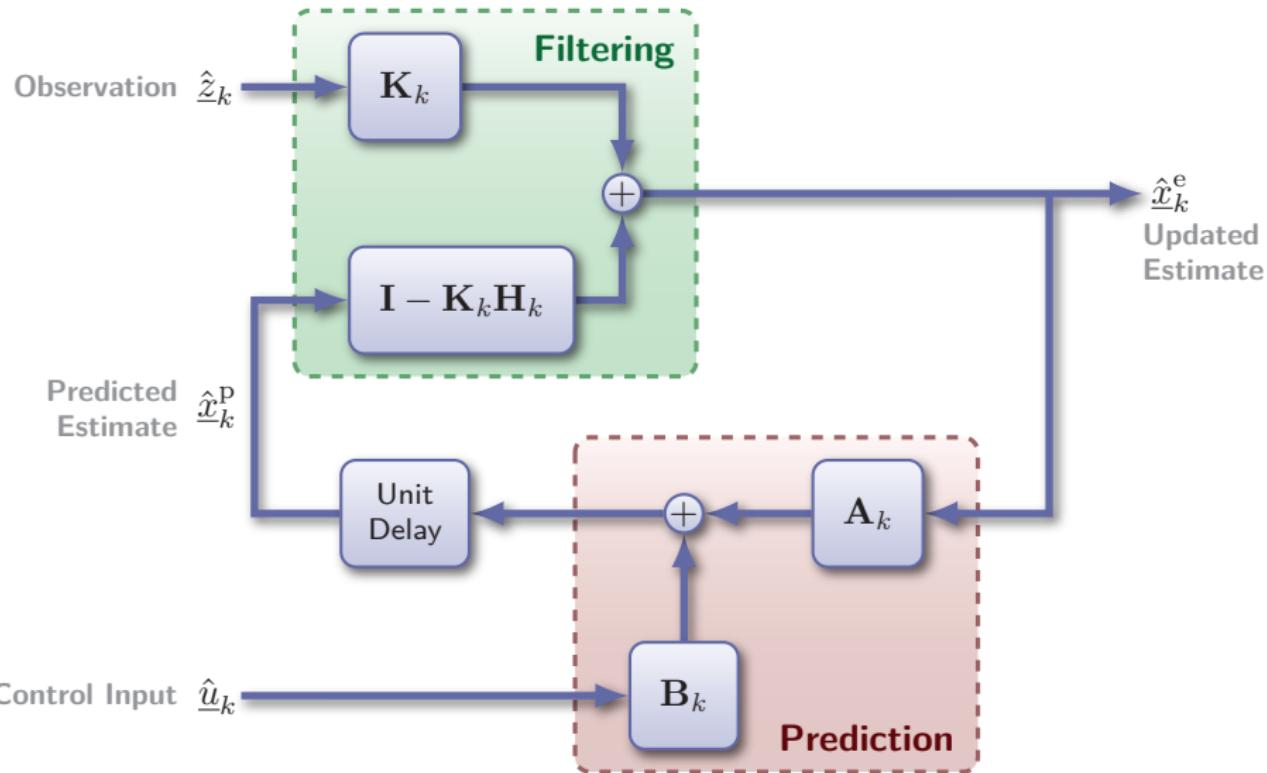
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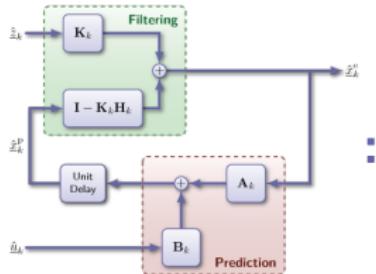
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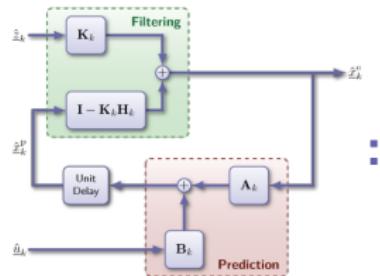
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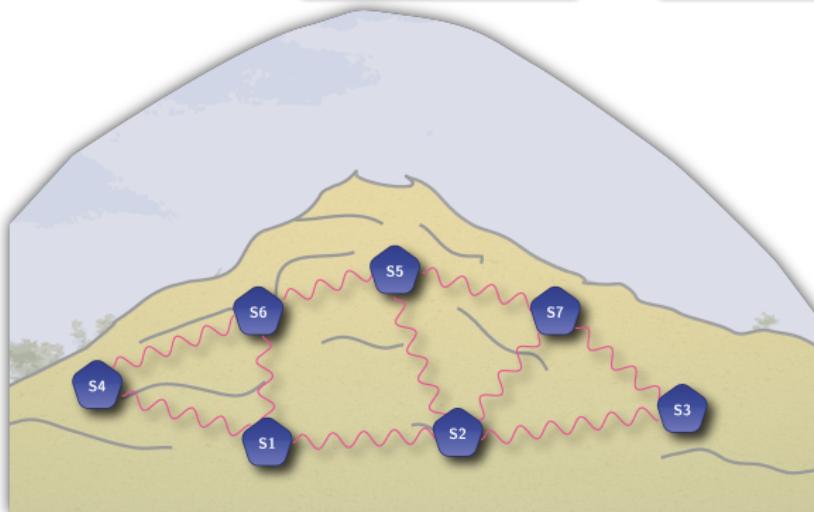


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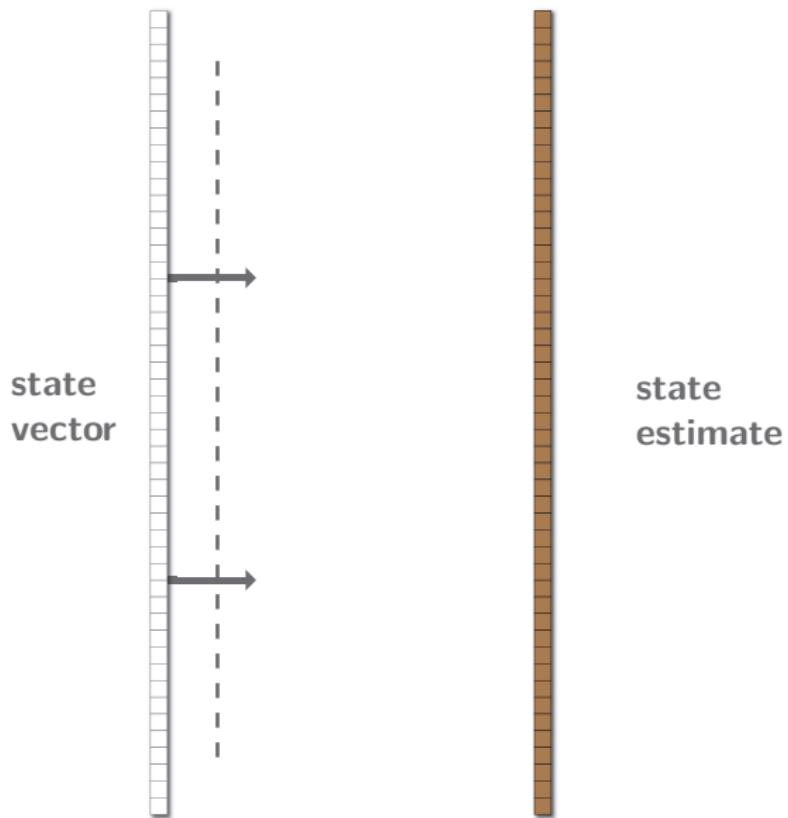
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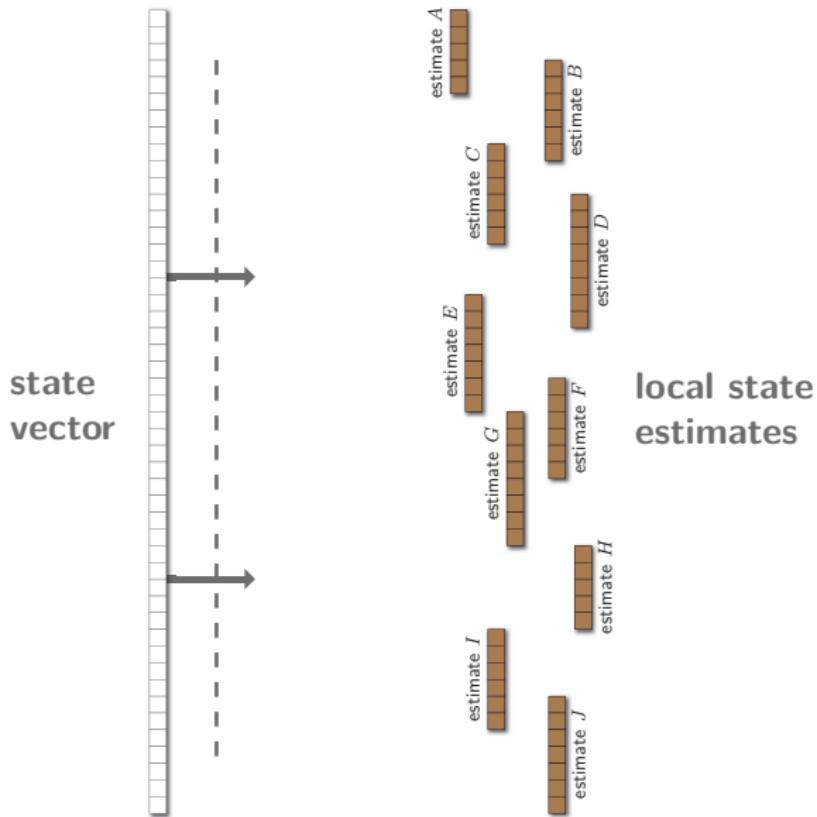
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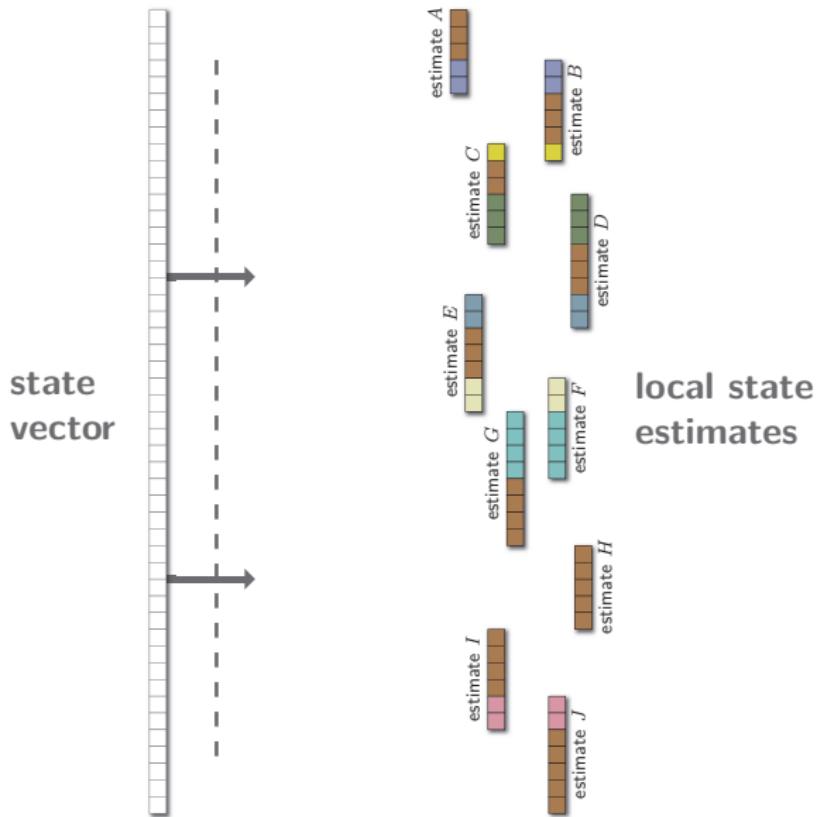
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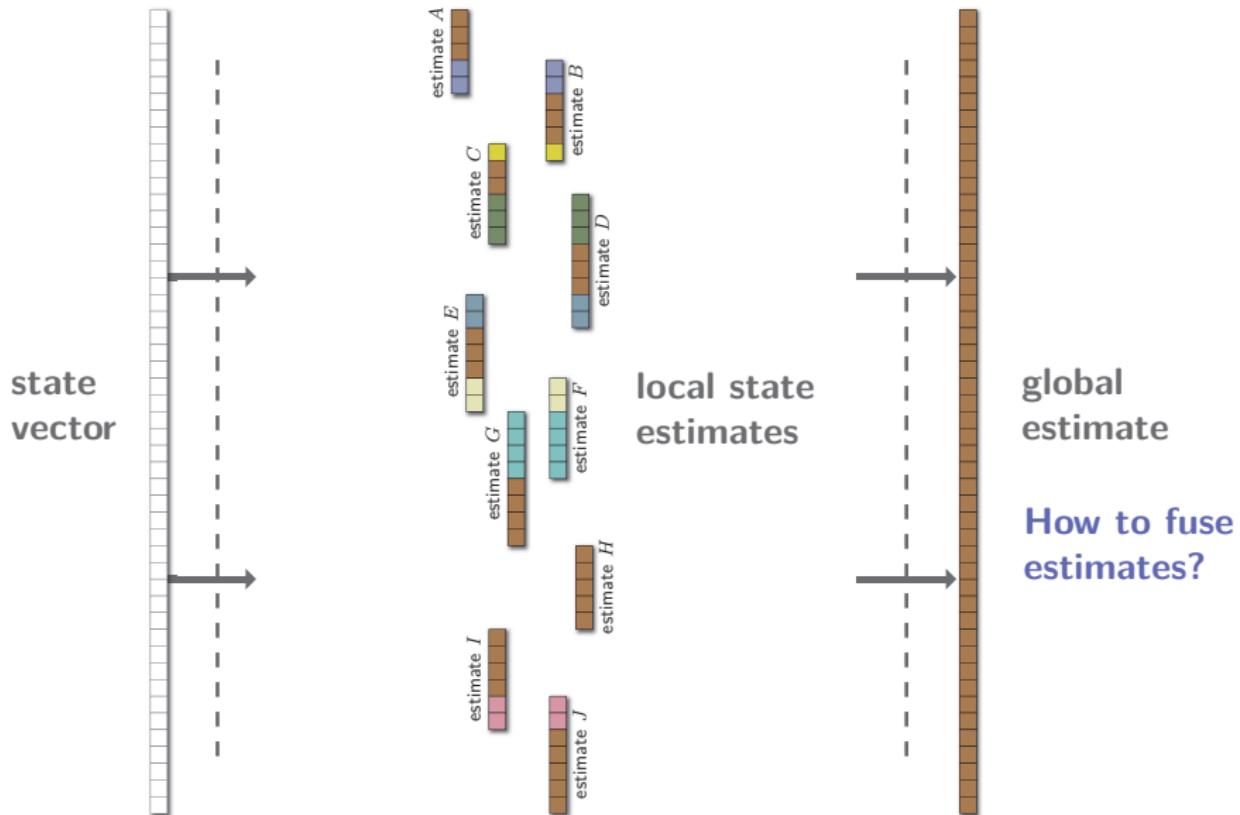
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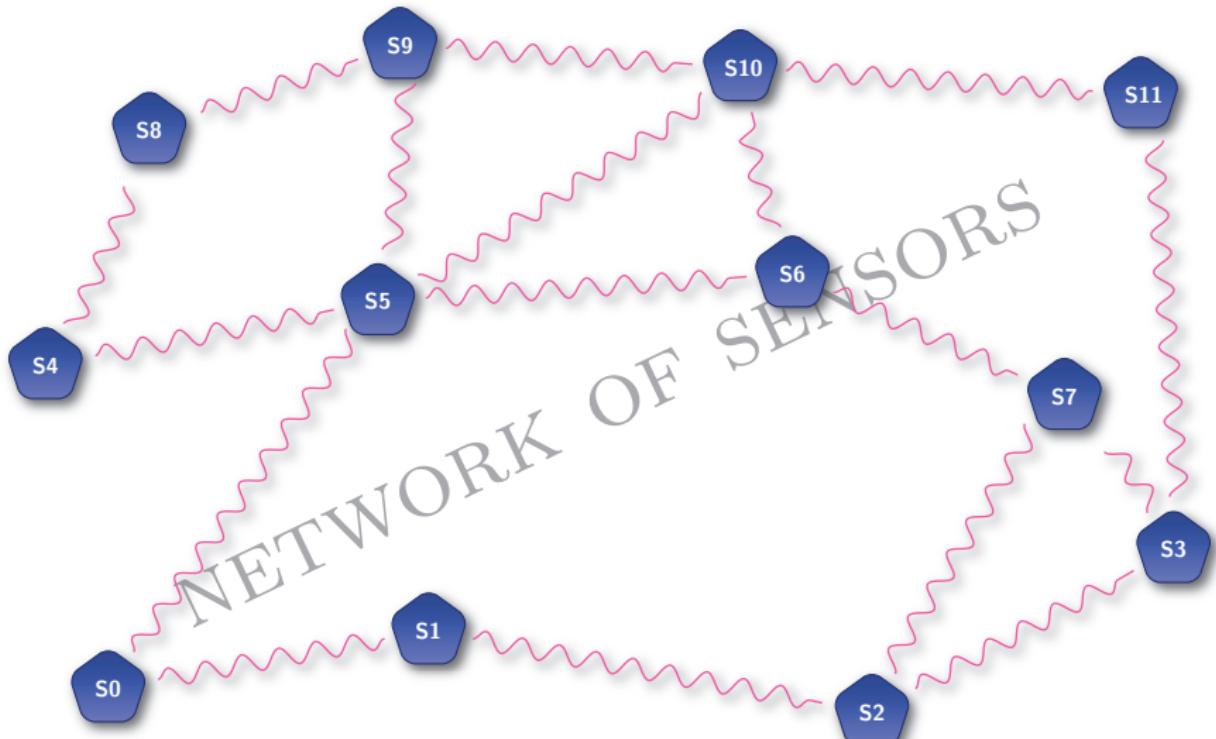
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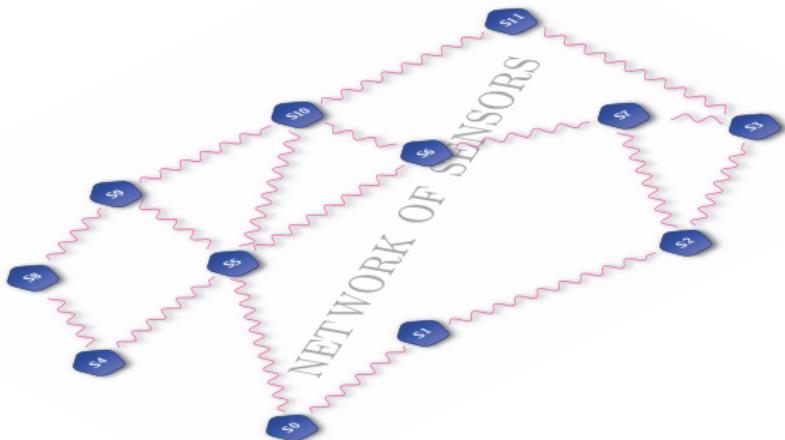
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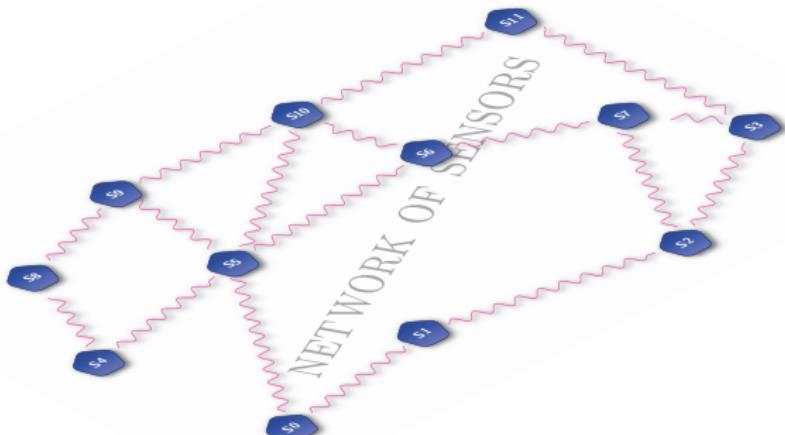


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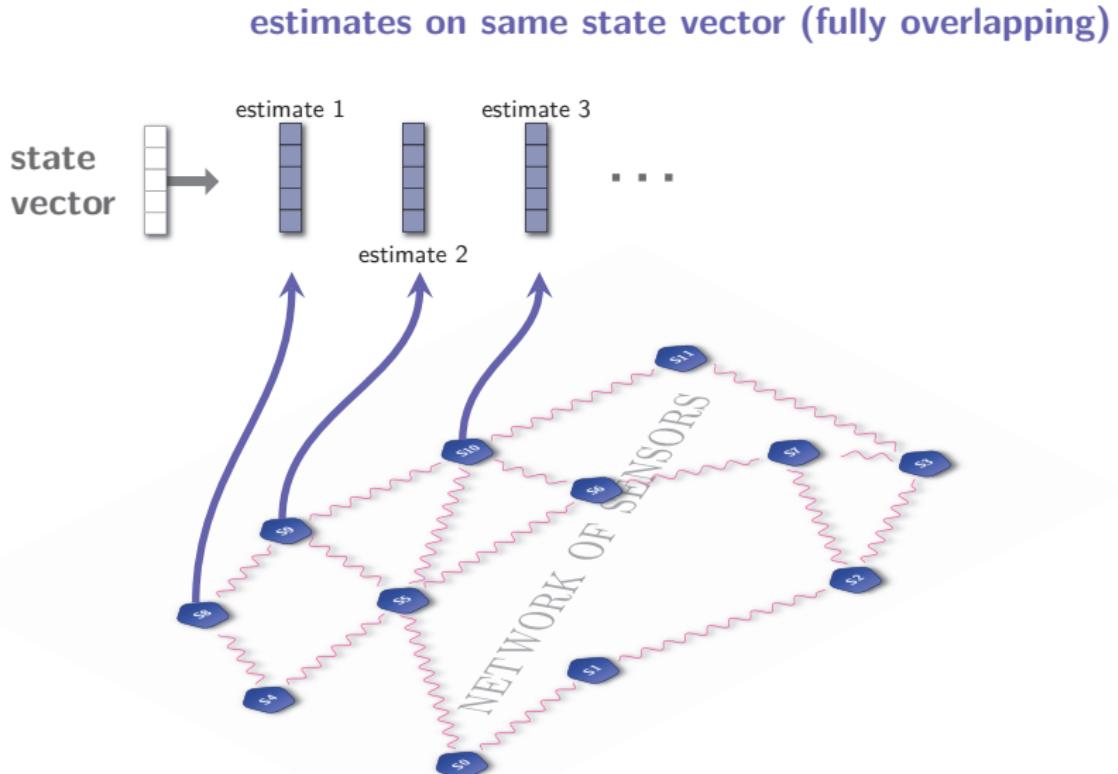


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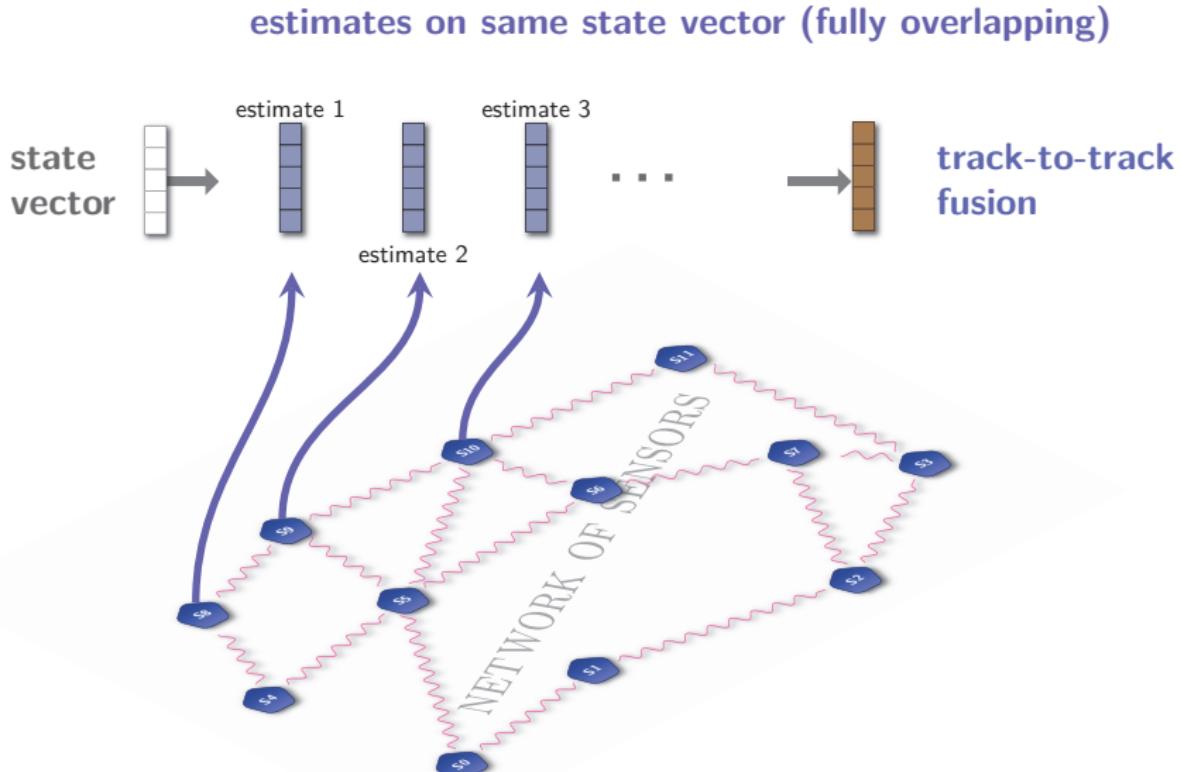
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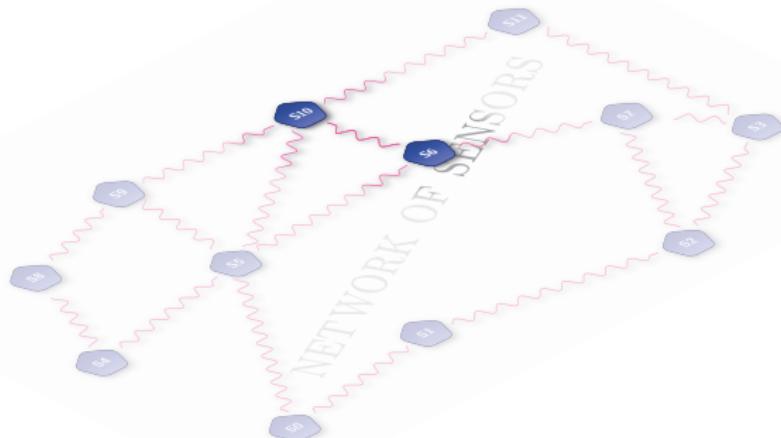
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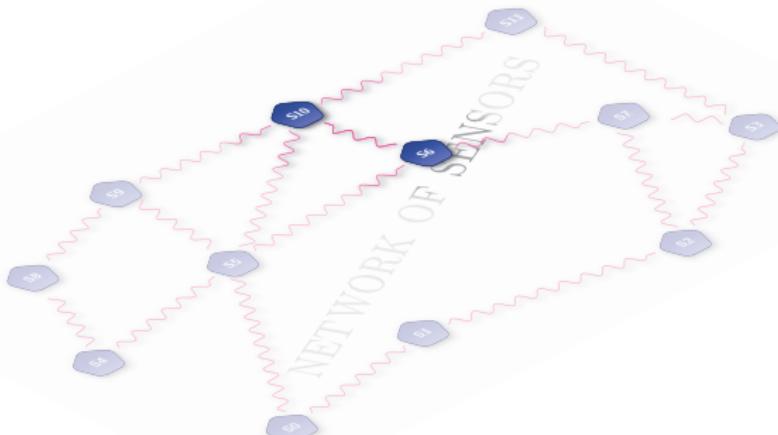
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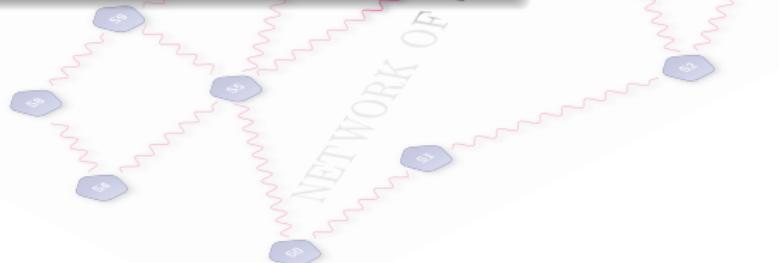
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Bar-Shalom/Campo Formula
Combination with gain

$$\mathbf{K}_{\text{fus}} = (\mathbf{C}_A - \mathbf{C}_{AB}) \cdot \\ (\mathbf{C}_A + \mathbf{C}_B - \mathbf{C}_{AB} - \mathbf{C}_{BA})^{-1}$$

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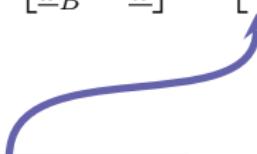
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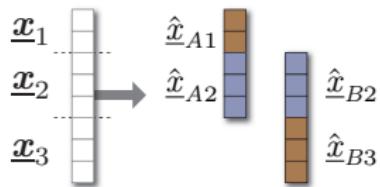
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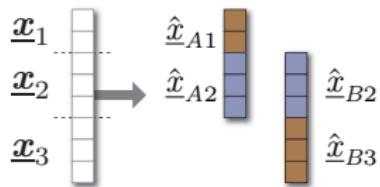


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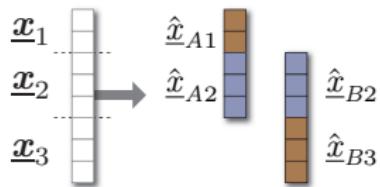
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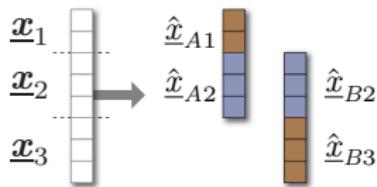
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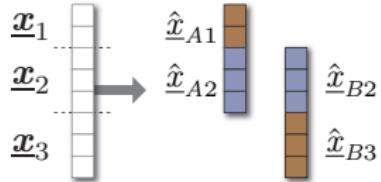


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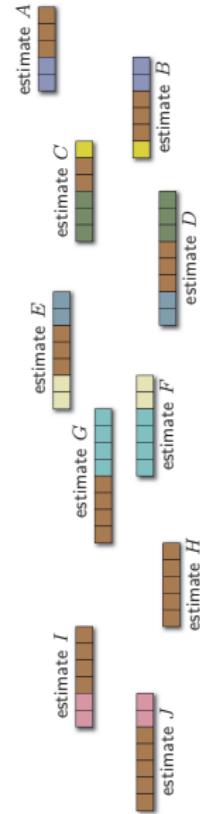
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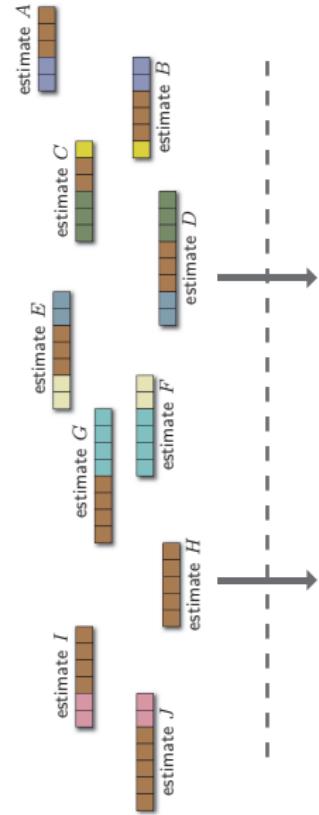
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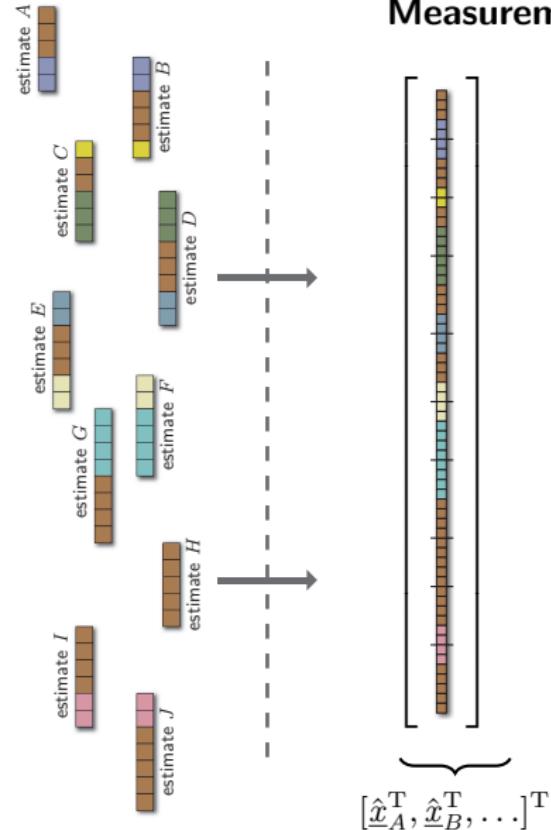
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How to set up
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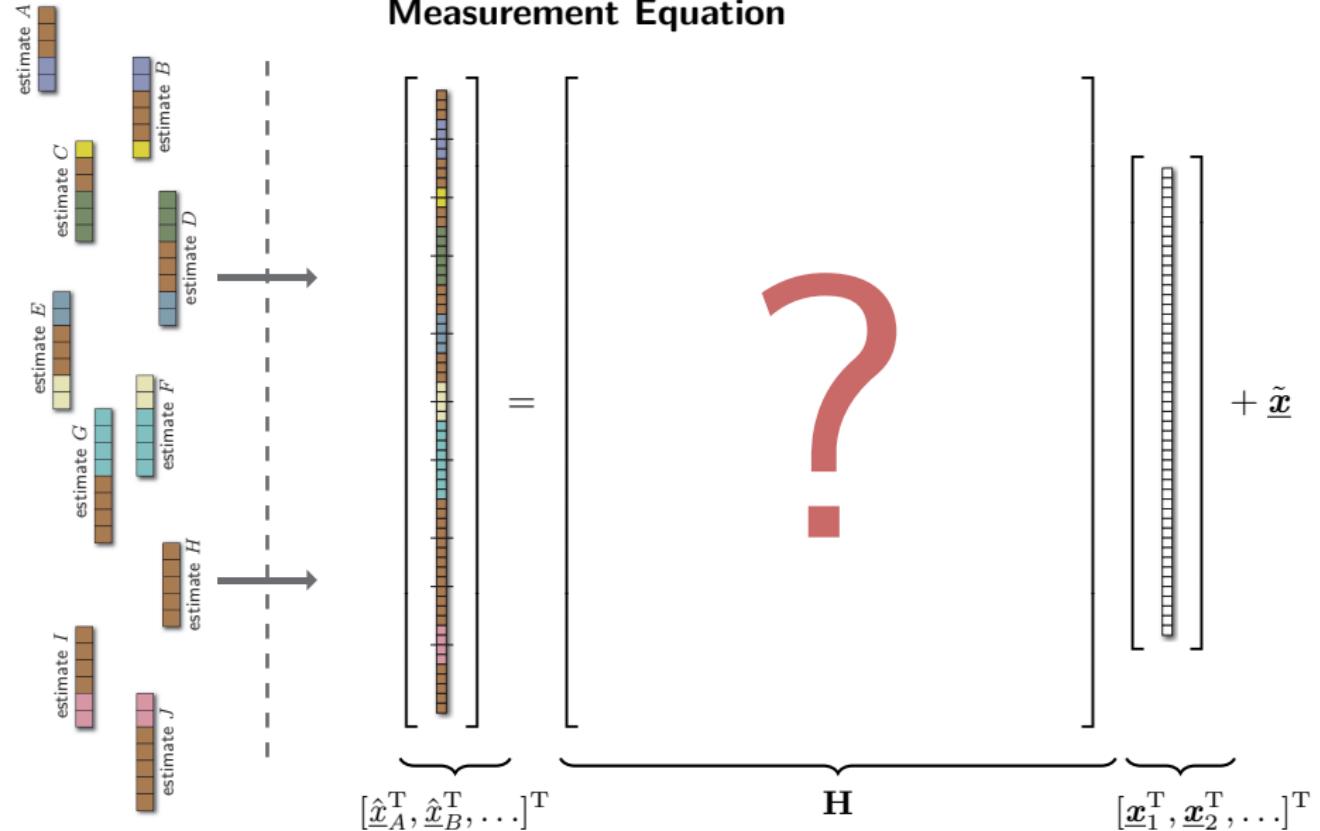
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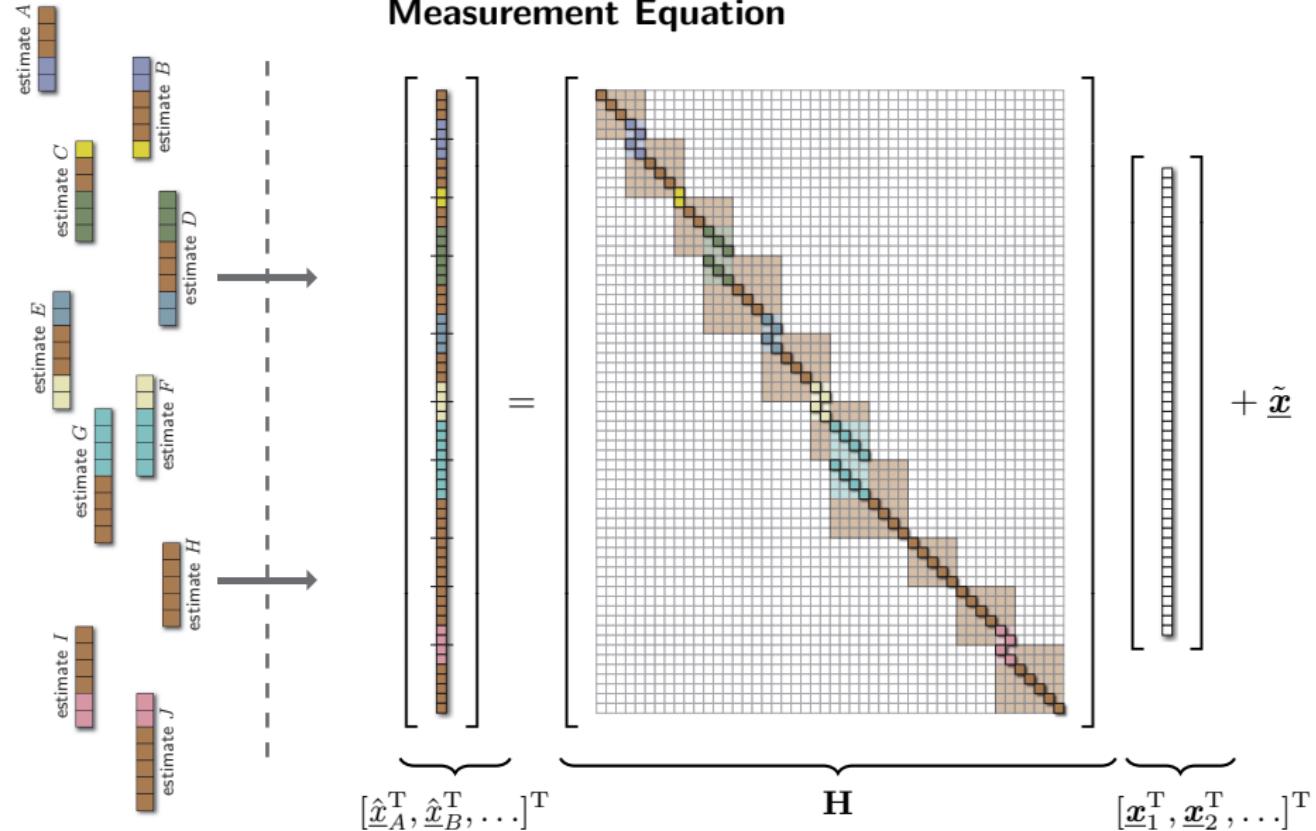
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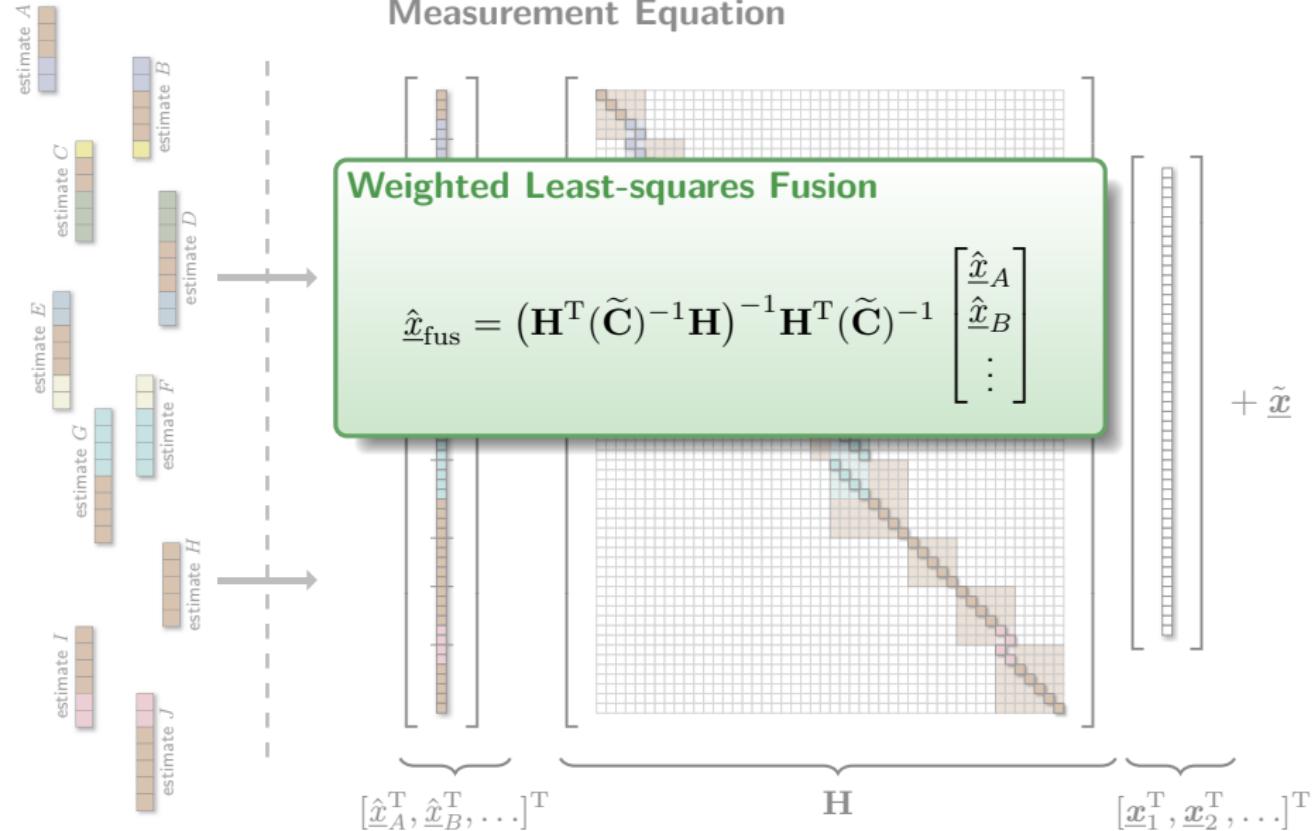


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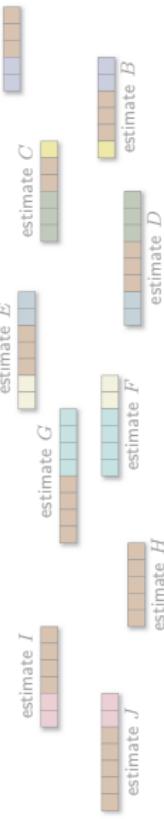


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+
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high-dimensional and dense

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Solution: Covariance Inflation

- $\sum \omega_X = 1, \omega_X > 0$
- upper bound
- suboptimal

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_A & \mathbf{C}_{AB} & \mathbf{C}_{AC} & \\ \mathbf{C}_{BA} & \mathbf{C}_B & \mathbf{C}_{BC} & \dots \\ \mathbf{C}_{CA} & \mathbf{C}_{CB} & \mathbf{C}_C & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \end{bmatrix} \leq \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{w_A} \mathbf{C}_A & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \\ \mathbf{0} & \frac{1}{w_B} \mathbf{C}_B & \mathbf{0} & \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \frac{1}{w_C} \mathbf{C}_C & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} =: \mathbf{C}_{CB}$$

Difficulties

- bookkeeping
- storing
- processing

Solution: Covariance Inflation

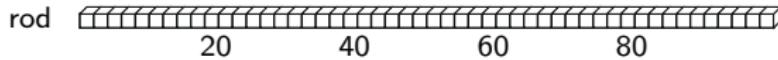
- $\sum \omega_X = 1, \omega_X > 0$
- upper bound
- suboptimal

Conservative Fusion

$$\hat{\underline{x}}_{\text{fus}} = (\mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{C}_{CB})^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^T (\mathbf{C}_{CB})^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\underline{x}}_A \\ \hat{\underline{x}}_B \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

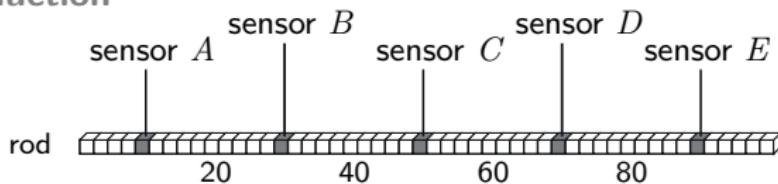
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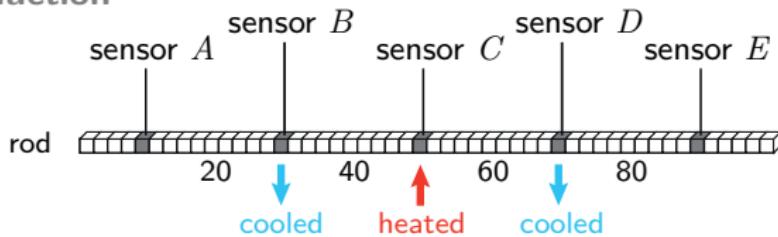
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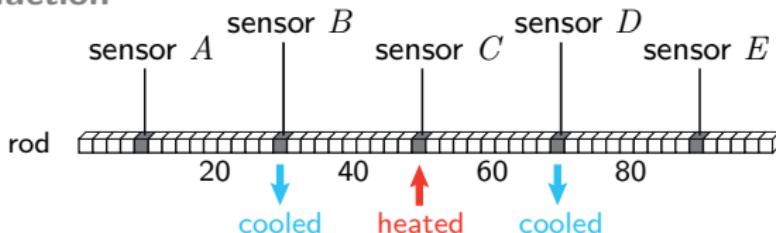
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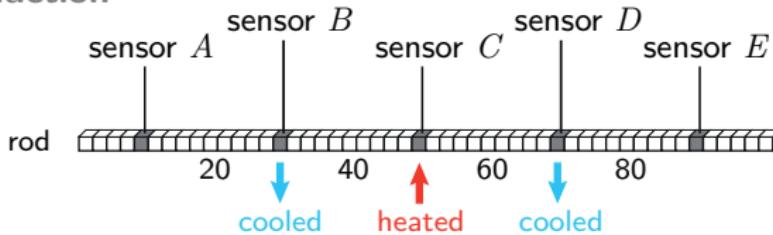
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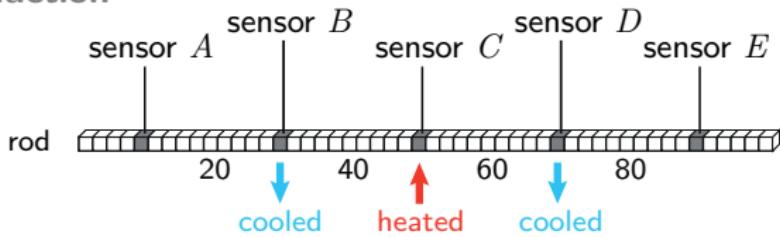
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Sensor Models

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{z}_k^A &= \boldsymbol{x}_{k,10} + \boldsymbol{v}_k^A, \quad \boldsymbol{z}_k^B = \boldsymbol{x}_{k,30} + \boldsymbol{v}_k^B, \quad \boldsymbol{z}_k^C = \boldsymbol{x}_{k,50} + \boldsymbol{v}_k^C, \\ \boldsymbol{z}_k^D &= \boldsymbol{x}_{k,70} + \boldsymbol{v}_k^D, \quad \boldsymbol{z}_k^E = \boldsymbol{x}_{k,90} + \boldsymbol{v}_k^E,\end{aligned}$$

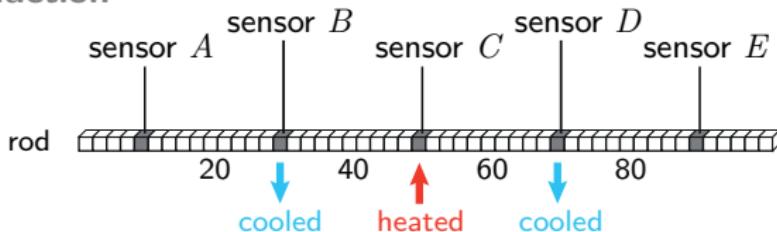
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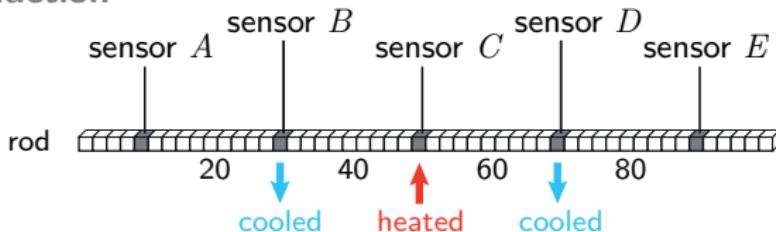


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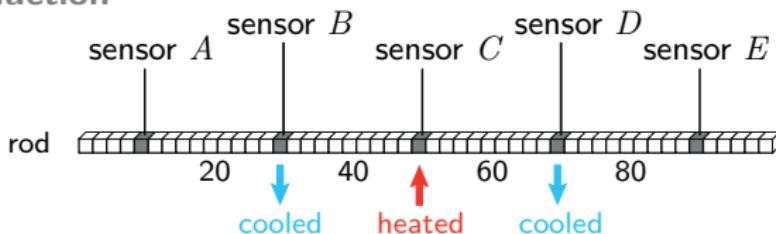


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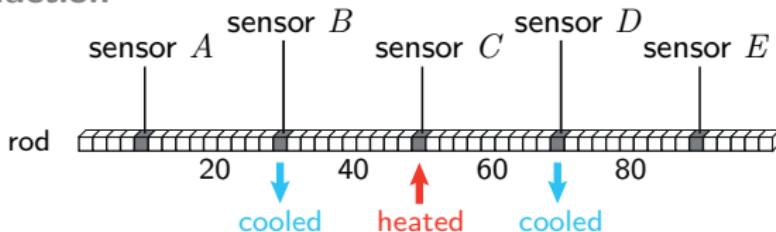


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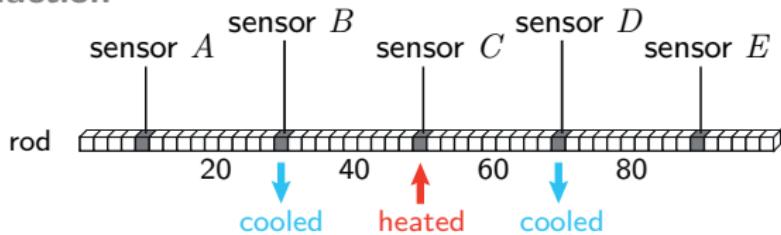


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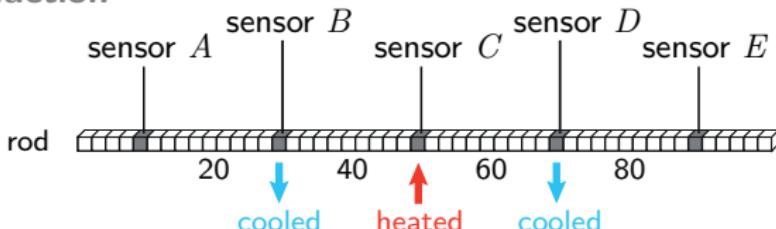
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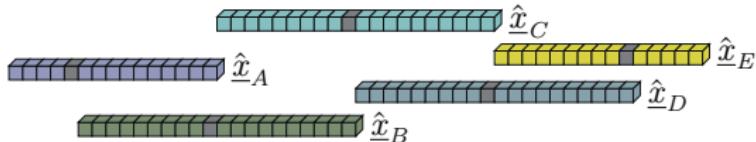


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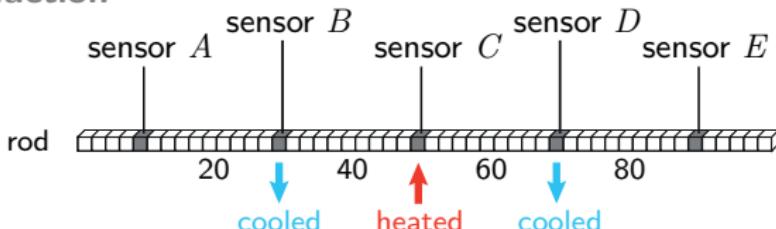


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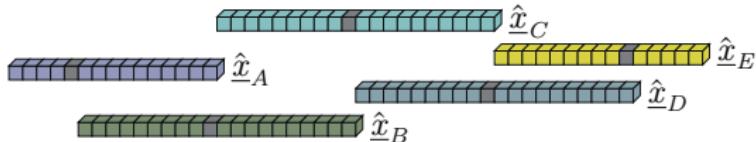


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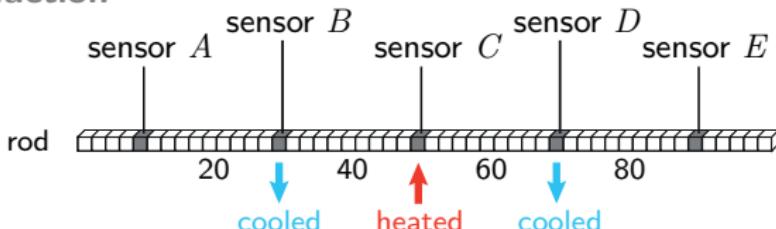


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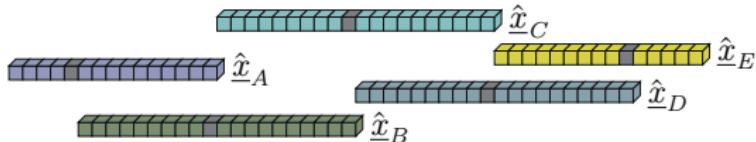


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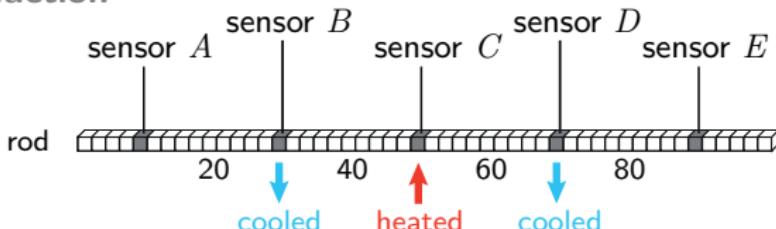


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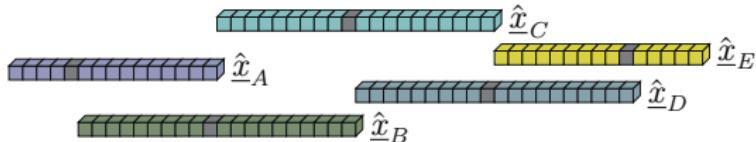


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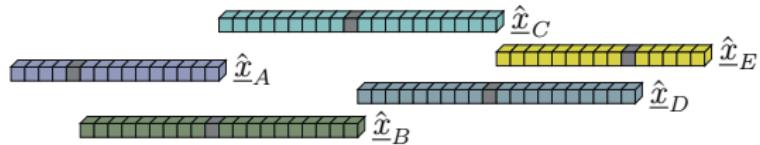


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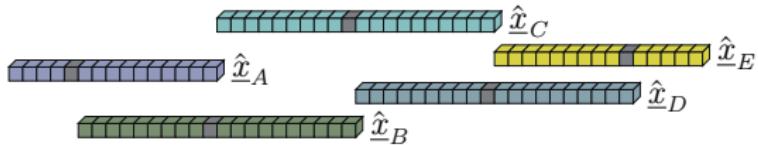
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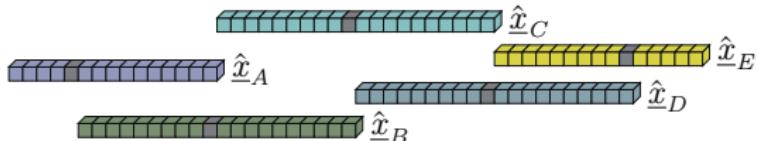


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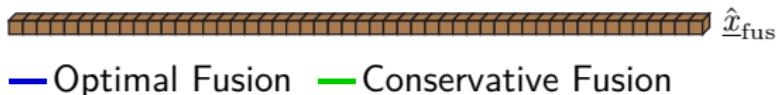


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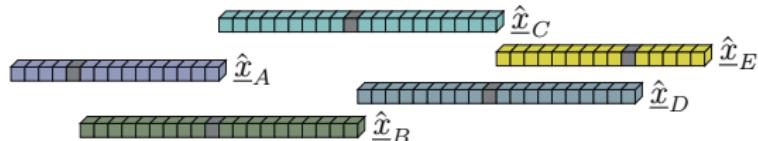


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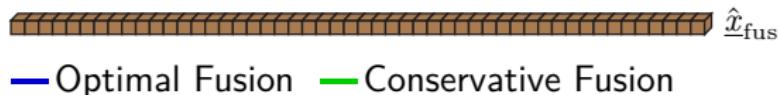


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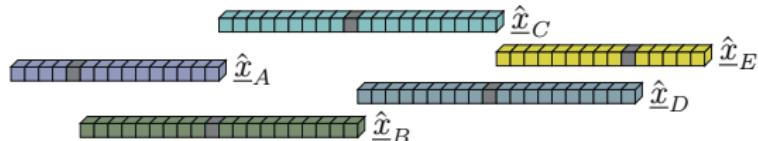


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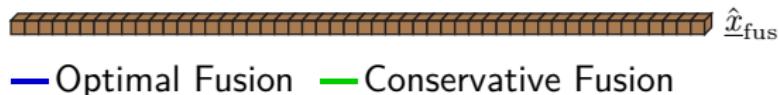


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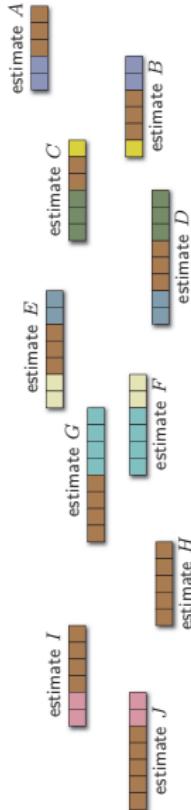
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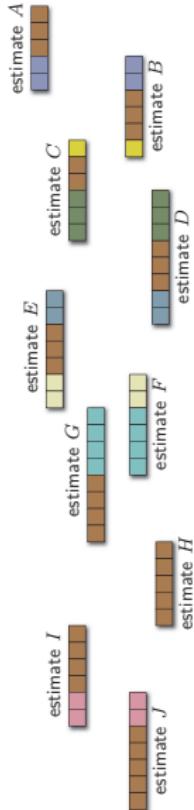
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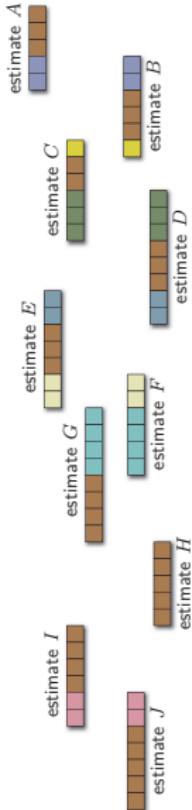
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