

ROBUST LINEARLY CONSTRAINED FILTERING AND SMOOTHING: RESULTS AND APPLICATIONS

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THE PROBLEM: AN ARRAY PROCESSING EXAMPLE

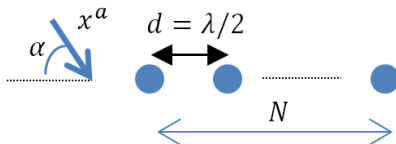


FIGURE 1: Uniform linear array with a random signal source x^a

Typical model

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$$\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{h}_k(\hat{d}, \alpha)x_k^a + \mathbf{v}_k, \quad \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{v}_J, \mathbf{v}_k} = \delta_k^I \mathbf{I}$$

Potential mismatches

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THE (TOO GENERAL) PROBLEM

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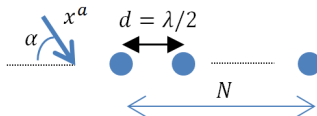
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We can distinguish four general scenarios of interest:

- 1) $\{\mathcal{M}_T = \mathcal{M}_N = \mathcal{M}_A\}$ – no mismatch, no nuisance signals \rightarrow standard filtering solutions
- 2) $\{\mathcal{M}_T = \mathcal{M}_N\}$ – a possible system mismatch but no nuisance signals
- 3) $\{\mathcal{M}_A = \mathcal{M}_N\}$ – the mismatch arises only because of nuisance signals
- 4) $\{\mathcal{M}_T \neq \mathcal{M}_N \neq \mathcal{M}_A\}$ – general misspecified case

Ultimate goal: estimating the nominal state \mathbf{x}_t (1a) based on the (true) measurements \mathbf{y}_t (1c) and the knowledge of (1b).

BACK TO THE ARRAY PROCESSING EXAMPLE



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What is the impact of a possible model mismatch ?

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$$\mathbf{F}_{k-1} = \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{k-1} + d\mathbf{F}_{k-1} ; \mathbf{H}_k = \hat{\mathbf{H}}_k + d\mathbf{H}_k ; \mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{w}_{k-1}} = \hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\mathbf{w}_{k-1}} + d\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{w}_{k-1}} ; \mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{v}_k} = \hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\mathbf{v}_k} + d\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{v}_k}$$

Mismatched estimation error:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k}(\mathbf{L}_k) - \mathbf{x}_k = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{L}_k \hat{\mathbf{H}}_k)(\hat{\mathbf{F}}_{k-1}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1|k-1}^b - \mathbf{x}_{k-1}) - \mathbf{w}_{k-1}) + \mathbf{L}_k \mathbf{v}_k + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_k(\mathbf{L}_k),$$

where $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_k(\mathbf{L}_k)$ is

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_k(\mathbf{L}_k) = \mathbf{L}_k d\mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{L}_k d\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{v}_k} - (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{L}_k \hat{\mathbf{H}}_k) (d\mathbf{F}_{k-1} \mathbf{x}_{k-1} + d\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{w}_{k-1}}) .$$

Can we have $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_k(\mathbf{L}_k) = \mathbf{0}$?

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{L}_k [d\mathbf{H}_k \ d\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{v}_k}] &= \mathbf{L}_k d\mathbb{H}_k = \mathbf{0} \\ (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{L}_k \hat{\mathbf{H}}_k) [d\mathbf{F}_{k-1} \ d\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{w}_{k-1}}] &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{L}_k \hat{\mathbf{H}}_k) d\mathbb{F}_{k-1} = \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

Can we do that in the KF framework, to consistently track the MSE ?

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WIENER, KALMAN AND LINEARLY CONSTRAINED KF

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CONSTRAINED GAIN

$$\mathbf{L}_k^b = \arg \min_{\mathbf{L}_k} \left\{ \mathbf{P}_{k|k}(\mathbf{L}_k) \right\} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{L}_k \Delta_k = \mathbf{T}_k,$$

LCKF

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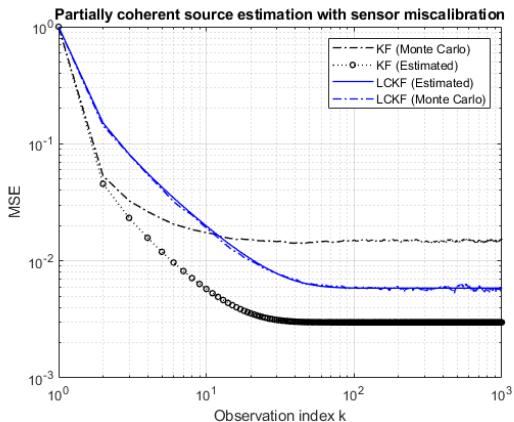
$$\mathbf{\Gamma}_k = \mathbf{T}_k - \mathbf{K}_k^b \Delta_k, \quad \mathbf{\Psi}_k = \Delta_k^H \left(\mathbf{S}_{k|k-1}^b \right)^{-1} \Delta_k$$

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LCKF FOR ROBUST ARRAY PROCESSING

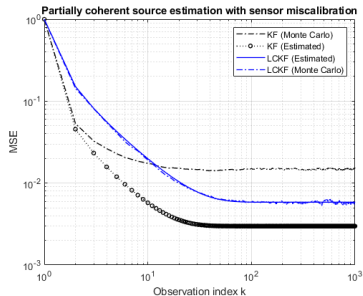


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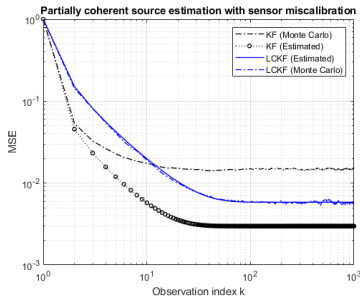
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ROBUST ARRAY PROCESSING v1: LCKF AND LCRTS

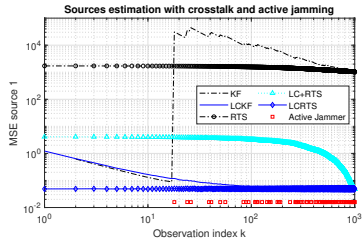


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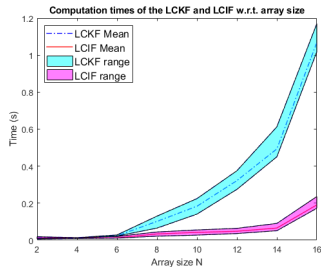


Dual source crosstalk and jamming. $d\phi_k \sim \mathcal{U}(0.8, 1.6) \times 10^{-4}$ and $\widehat{d\phi_k} = 10^{-4}$. $\alpha_J = \alpha - \alpha_{3dB}$, the jammer to noise power is 60 dB with probability of activation of 0.1. Only the LCKF and LCRTS are able to mitigate them.

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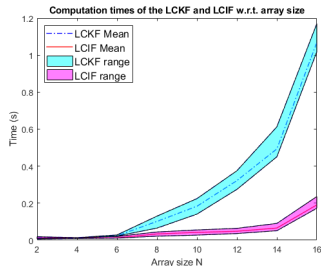
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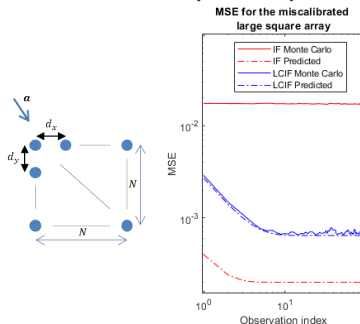


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Left: illustration, each dot is a sensor. Right: MSE of IF and LC-IF for $N = 50$.

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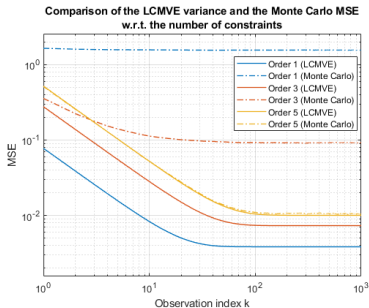
HOW TO HANDLE NON-LINEAR ERRORS ?

Increasing the consistency for nonlinear measurement mismatches

Consider a mismatched observation model depending on a scalar parameter $\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{H}_k(\theta_k)$. Let $\hat{\theta}_k$ be the assumed value of this parameter,

$$\mathbf{H}_k(\theta_k) = \mathbf{H}_k(\hat{\theta}_k) + \sum_m \frac{1}{m!} \left. \frac{\partial^m \mathbf{H}_k}{\partial \theta^m} \right|_{\hat{\theta}_k} (\theta_k - \hat{\theta}_k)^m. \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{L}_k \left[\left. \frac{\partial^m \mathbf{H}_k}{\partial \theta^m} \right|_{\hat{\theta}_k} \right]_{m \geq 0} = 0$$

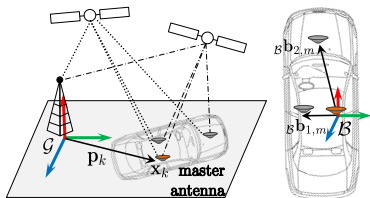


LCKF consistency w.r.t. Taylor expansion, for a 20% mismatch.

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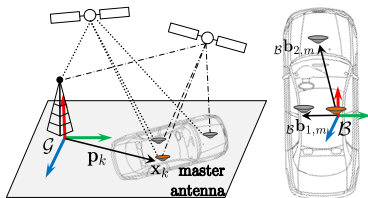


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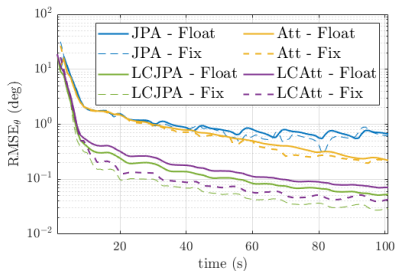
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Attitude RMSE for mismatched master-slave baseline lengths (5%).

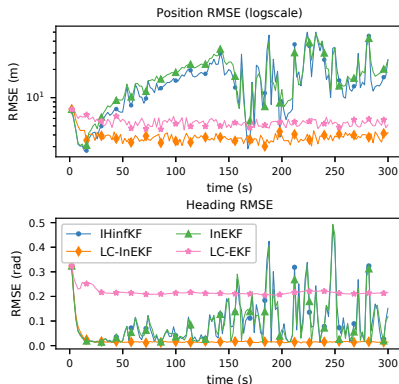
P. Chauchat et al., "Robust Linearly Constrained Filtering for GNSS Position and Attitude Estimation under Antenna Baseline Mismatch", in the Proc. of the International Conf. on Information Fusion, Nov. 2021.

COMBINING WITH INVARIANT FILTERING

Filter on the Lie group SE_2 : $\chi \equiv \begin{bmatrix} R & x \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$

2D navigation problem: orientation θ and position x of a mobile system are to be estimated. Sensors give access to its odometry and position measurements.

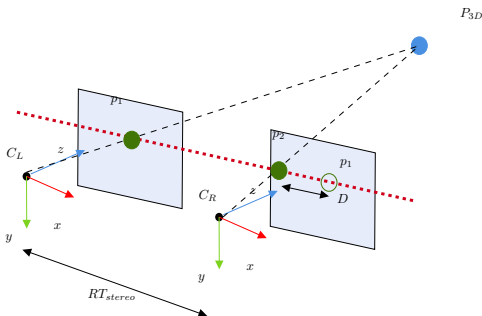
Mismatch: scale and frame mismatch for the outputs, and scale mismatch for the inputs (sleepy wheel).



P. Chauchat et al., "Robust Linearly Constrained Invariant Filtering for a Class of Mismatched Nonlinear Systems", IEEE Control Systems Letters, 2021.

The state \mathbf{x}_k used for a standard EKF SLAM/odometry approach contain the left camera pose \mathbf{p} and orientation \mathbf{R} , the velocity \mathbf{v} and the list of landmarks (3D points clouds), $\mathbf{x}_k = (\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{p}_{3D_1}, \dots, \mathbf{p}_{3D_N})$.

Problem: you need the extrinsic **calibration** between left and right cameras.

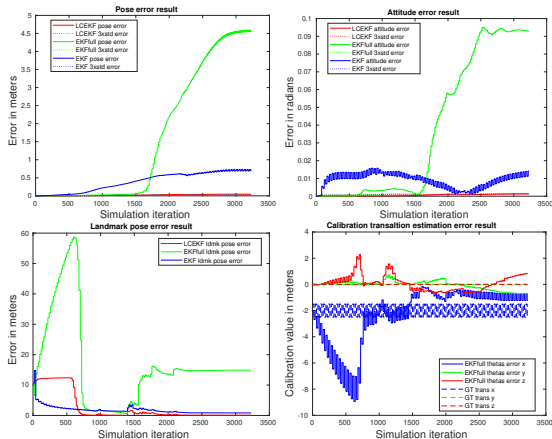


Stereo vision observation model. A 3D point is reprojected in both cameras.

The LCEKF at least equal to the EKF with online calibration. If the vibrations are fast and strong enough, the LCEKF is better.

R. Ben Abdallah et al., "Robust Filter-Based Visual Navigation Solution with Miscalibrated Bi-monocular or Stereo Cameras," IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters, under review.

SLAM with high amplitude periodic noise



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- Asymptotical behavior
 - We have results for measurement mismatch only
- Other applications ?

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