

## Perception in Robotics

### PS2: Localization

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#### Landmark localization

## Task A:

1. Write the value for the covariance  $Q$  of the noise added to the observation function, knowing that the parameter *bearing\_std* is its standard deviation.

run.py:

```
parser.add_argument('-b',
                    '--bearing_std',
                    type=float,
                    action='store',
                    help='Diagonal of Standard deviations of the
Observation noise Q. (format: rad).',
                    default=0.35)
```

$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\phi}^2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\sigma_{\phi}^2 = \text{bearing\_std} = 0.35$ .

2. Write the equation for the covariance  $R_t$  of the noise added to the transition function, as explained in class and their corresponding numeric values for the initial robot command  $u = [\delta_{rot1}, \delta_{trans}, \delta_{rot2}]^T = [0, 10, 0]^T$ . Find out the default values of  $\alpha$  in *run.py* line 152.

For odometry motion model we have

$$\epsilon_t = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{\delta_{rot1}} \\ \epsilon_{\delta_{trans}} \\ \epsilon_{\delta_{rot2}} \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left( 0, \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \delta_{rot1}^2 + \alpha_2 \delta_{trans}^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_3 \delta_{trans}^2 + \alpha_4 (\delta_{rot1}^2 + \delta_{rot2}^2) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_1 \delta_{rot2}^2 + \alpha_2 \delta_{trans}^2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

As initial command  $u = [\delta_{rot1}, \delta_{trans}, \delta_{rot2}]^T = [0, 10, 0]^T$  and default values of alphas

$\alpha_{1...4} = (0.05^2, 0.001^2, 0.05^2, 0.01^2)$ , then

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 100\alpha_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 100\alpha_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 100\alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.001^2 * 100 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.05^2 * 100 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.001^2 * 100 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0001 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.25 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.0001 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Derive the equations for the Jacobians  $G_t$ ,  $V_t$  and  $H_t$ , and evaluate them at the initial mean state  $\mu_1 = [x, y, \theta]^T = [180, 50, 0]^T$  as it is considered in *run.py*.

$$G_t = \frac{\partial g(x_{t-1}, u_t, \varepsilon_t)}{\partial x_{t-1}} \dot{i}_{\mu_{t-1}, \varepsilon_t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\delta_{trans} \sin(\theta + \delta_{rot1}) \\ 0 & 1 & \delta_{trans} \cos(\theta + \delta_{rot1}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V_t = \frac{\partial g(x_{t-1}, u_t, \varepsilon_t)}{\partial u_t} \dot{i}_{\mu_{t-1}, \varepsilon_t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} -\delta_{trans} \sin(\theta + \delta_{rot1}) & \cos(\theta + \delta_{rot1}) & 0 \\ \delta_{trans} \cos(\theta + \delta_{rot1}) & \sin(\theta + \delta_{rot1}) & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 10 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_t = \frac{\partial h(x_t)}{\partial \mu_t} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{(m_{j,x} - \mu_{t,x})}{\sqrt{(m_{j,x} - \mu_{t,x})^2 + (m_{j,y} - \mu_{t,y})^2}} & -\frac{(m_{j,y} - \mu_{t,y})}{\sqrt{(m_{j,x} - \mu_{t,x})^2 + (m_{j,y} - \mu_{t,y})^2}} & 0 \\ \frac{(m_{j,y} - \mu_{t,y})}{(m_{j,x} - \mu_{t,x})^2 + (m_{j,y} - \mu_{t,y})^2} & -\frac{(m_{j,x} - \mu_{t,x})}{(m_{j,x} - \mu_{t,x})^2 + (m_{j,y} - \mu_{t,y})^2} & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

In our case Output measurement (observation) vector is  $y_t = [bearing, ID]^T$  but  $\sigma_{ID}=0$  and then state vector is  $x_t = [x, y, \theta]^T$

$$H_t = \frac{\partial h(x_t)}{\partial x_t} \dot{i}_{\dot{\mu}_t} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{m_{i,y} - \dot{\mu}_{t,y}}{(m_{i,x} - \dot{\mu}_{t,x})^2 + (m_{i,y} - \dot{\mu}_{t,y})^2} & \frac{-(m_{i,x} - \dot{\mu}_{t,x})}{(m_{i,x} - \dot{\mu}_{t,x})^2 + (m_{i,y} - \dot{\mu}_{t,y})^2} & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
import numpy as np

mean_prior = np.array([180., 50., 0.])
_landmark_poses_x = np.array([21, 242, 463, 463, 242, 21])
_landmark_offset_y = np.array([0, 0, 0, 292, 292, 292])

b = (242 - 180)**2 + (50)**2

H = np.array([50/b, -(242 - 180)/b, -1])

print("H = ", H)

H = [ 0.00788146 -0.00977301 -1. ]
```

## Task B

**Implement EKF and PF-based robot localization using odometry and bearing-only observations to features in a landmark map. Remember to run the evaluation command to properly use the common created data file *evaluation-input.npy*.**

Implemented in ekf.py and pf.py

## Task C:

Create plots of pose error versus time i.e., a plot of  $\hat{x} - x$  vs.  $t$ ,  $\hat{y} - y$  vs  $t$ , and  $\hat{\theta} - \theta$  vs.  $t$  where  $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{\theta})$  is the filter estimated pose and  $(x, y, \theta)$  is the ground-truth actual pose known only to the simulator. Plot the error in blue and in red plot the  $\pm 3\sigma$  uncertainty bounds. Your state error should lie within these bounds approximately 99.73% of the time (assuming Gaussian statistics). For the PF, use the sample mean and variance.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from tools.task import wrap_angle
from IPython.display import Video
#from tools.data import load_data

def plot_results(real_traj, pred_traj, cov, num_steps,
plt_title=None):
    error = real_traj - pred_traj

    for i, er in enumerate(error[:, -1]):
        if er < -np.pi or er > np.pi:
            error[i, -1] = wrap_angle(er)

    fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize=(25, 7))
    labels = [r'$\hat{x} - x$', r'$\hat{y} - y$', r'$\hat{z} - z$']
    titles = ['pose error x', 'pose error y', 'pose error theta']

    if plt_title:
        fig.suptitle(plt_title, fontsize=16)

    for i in range(error.shape[-1]):
        axs[i].plot(np.arange(num_steps), error[:, i],
label=labels[i])
        sigma = np.sqrt(cov[i])
        axs[i].fill_between(np.arange(num_steps), -3*sigma, 3*sigma,
color='red', alpha=0.5, label='$\pm 3\sigma$')
        axs[i].grid('on')
        axs[i].set_title(titles[i])
        axs[i].set_xlabel('time')
        axs[i].set_ylabel('error')
        axs[i].legend()

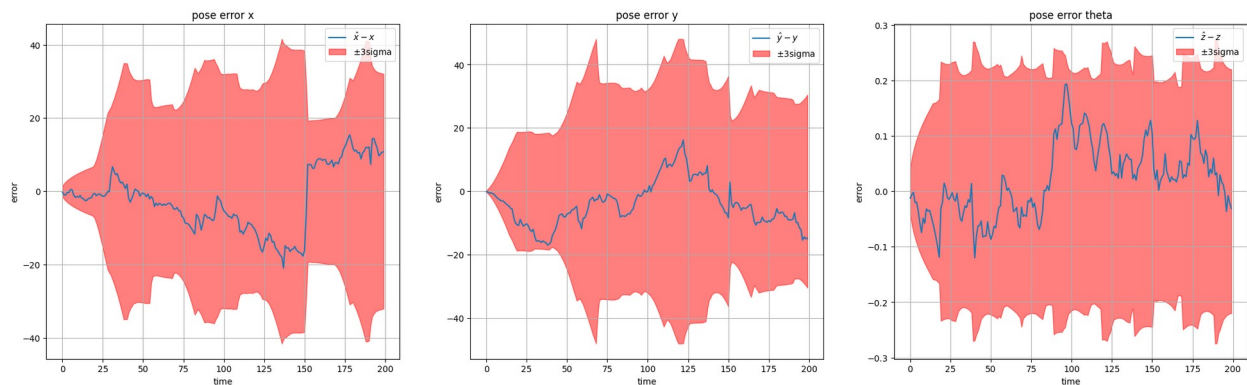
def load_data(filename_gt, filename_predict):
    input_data = np.load(filename_gt)
    output = np.load(filename_predict)

    covariance_matrices = output['covariance_trajectory']
    covs = np.array([np.diag(covariance_matrices[:, :, i]) for i in
range(covariance_matrices.shape[-1])]).T
    return input_data, output, covs
```

```
filename_gt = './ekf_out/input_data.npy'
filename_pf = './pf_out/output_data.npy'
filename_ekf = './ekf_out/output_data.npy'
```

## EKF

```
input_data, output_ekf, covs_ekf = load_data(filename_gt,
filename_ekf)
plot_results(input_data['real_robot_path'],
output_ekf['mean_trajectory'], covs_ekf, input_data['num_steps'])
```



## PF

```
input_data, output_ekf, covs_ekf = load_data(filename_gt, filename_pf)
plot_results(input_data['real_robot_path'],
output_ekf['mean_trajectory'], covs_ekf, input_data['num_steps'])
```



Comment: an estimation error lays within  $\pm 3\sigma$  interval.

**D. Once your filters are implemented, please investigate some properties of them.**

**1. How does EKF behaves when motion noise goes towards zero?**

Let us assume following sets of motion noise constants in EKF

1:  $\alpha = 0.85 \cdot [0.05, 0.001, 0.05, 0.01]$

2:  $\alpha = 0.3 \cdot [0.05, 0.001, 0.05, 0.01]$

3:  $\alpha = 0 \cdot [0.05, 0.001, 0.05, 0.01]$

```
alpha0 = np.array([0.05, 0.001, 0.05, 0.01])
alpha1 = 0.9 * alpha0
alpha1

array([0.045 , 0.0009, 0.045 , 0.009 ])

alpha2 = 0.3 * alpha0
alpha2

array([0.015 , 0.0003, 0.015 , 0.003 ])

# load the data with alpha = alpha1
alpha1_input, alpha1_output, covs1 =
load_data('Task_D/alpha1/input_data.npy',
'Task_D/alpha1/output_data.npy')

alpha1_title = r'Extended Kalman Filter: Errors of robot pose
estimation  $\hat{X}$  -  $X$  when  $\alpha=[0.045, 0.0009, 0.045, 0.009]$ 
'

plot_results(alpha1_input['real_robot_path'],
alpha1_output['mean_trajectory'], covs1, alpha1_input['num_steps'],
plt_title = alpha1_title)
```

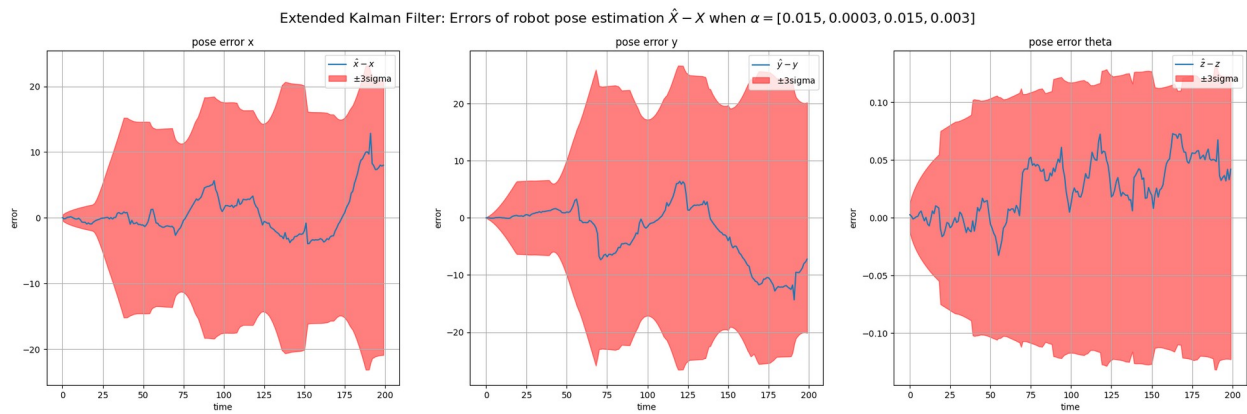


```
alpha2_input, alpha2_output, covs2 =
load_data('Task_D/alpha2/input_data.npy',
'Task_D/alpha2/output_data.npy')

alpha2_title = r'Extended Kalman Filter: Errors of robot pose
estimation  $\hat{X}$  -  $X$  when  $\alpha=[0.015, 0.0003, 0.015, 0.003]$ 
'

plot_results(alpha2_input['real_robot_path'],
```

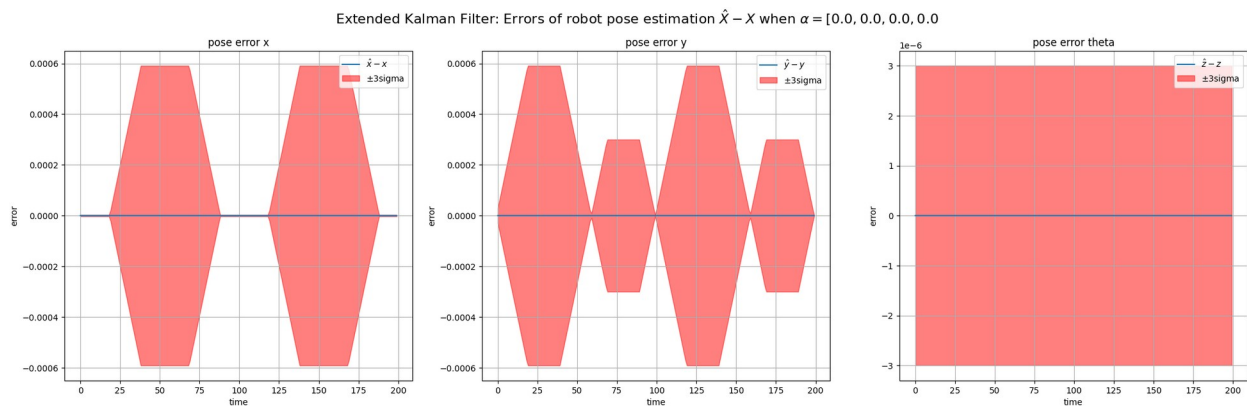
```
alpha2_output['mean_trajectory'], covs2, alpha2_input['num_steps'],
plt_title = alpha2_title)
```



```
alpha3_input, alpha3_output, covs3 =
load_data('Task_D/alpha3/input_data.npy',
'Task_D/alpha3/output_data.npy')
```

```
alpha3_title = r'Extended Kalman Filter: Errors of robot pose
estimation  $\hat{X} - X$  when  $\alpha=[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0]$ '
```

```
plot_results(alpha3_input['real_robot_path'],
alpha3_output['mean_trajectory'], covs3, alpha3_input['num_steps'],
plt_title = alpha3_title)
```



Comment: the  $\pm 3\sigma$  interval becomes less and hence the uncertainty in position estimation decreases.

## 2. How does EKF behaves when motion noise $Q_t$ goes towards zero?

Let us assume following sets of measurement noise constants:

1:  $Q_1 = 0.2^2$

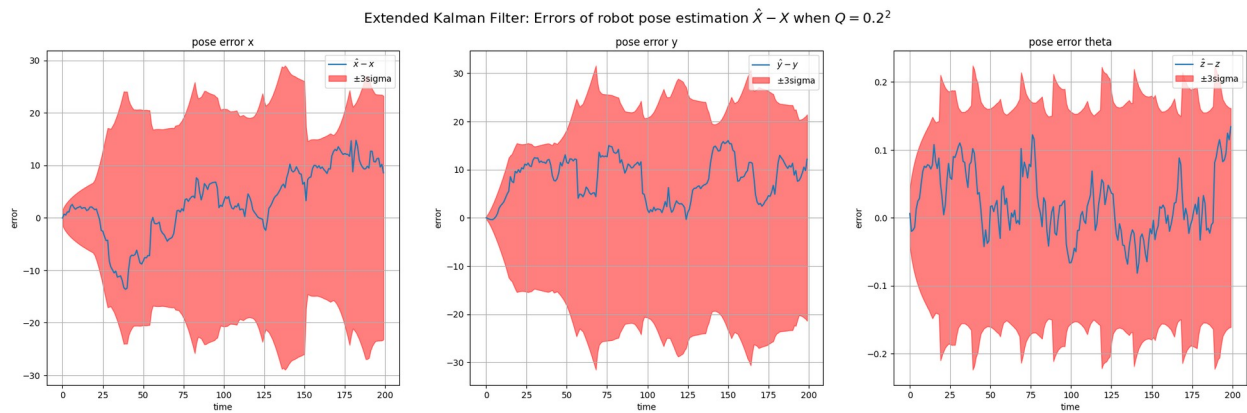
2:  $Q_2 = 0.05^2$

3:  $Q_3 = 0$

```
q1_input, q1_output, covs1 = load_data('Task_D/q1/input_data.npy',  
    'Task_D/q1/output_data.npy')
```

```
q1_title = r'Extended Kalman Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation  
$\hat{X}$ - $X$ when $Q=0.2^2$'
```

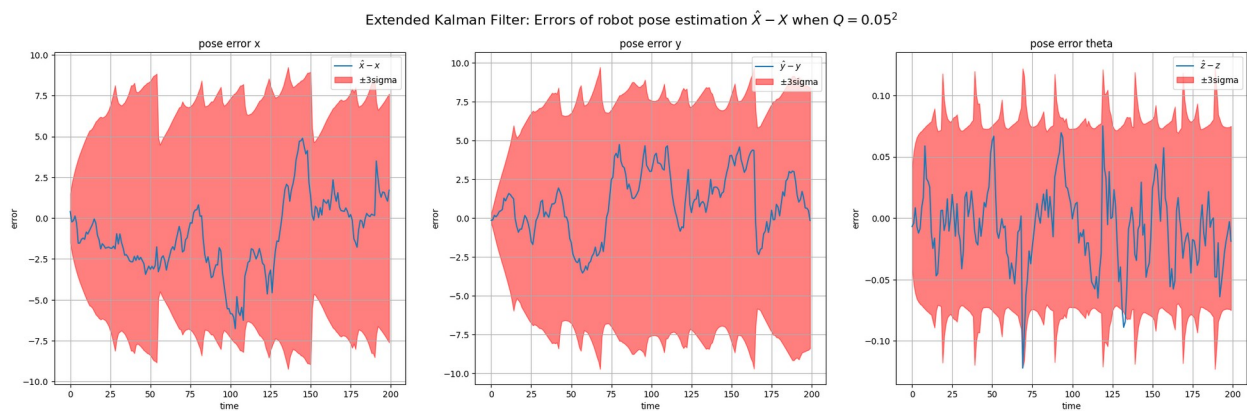
```
plot_results(q1_input['real_robot_path'],  
    q1_output['mean_trajectory'], covs1, q1_input['num_steps'], plt_title  
    = q1_title)
```



```
q2_input, q2_output, covs2 = load_data('Task_D/q2/input_data.npy',  
    'Task_D/q2/output_data.npy')
```

```
q2_title = r'Extended Kalman Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation  
$\hat{X}$ - $X$ when $Q=0.05^2$'
```

```
plot_results(q2_input['real_robot_path'],  
    q2_output['mean_trajectory'], covs2, q2_input['num_steps'], plt_title  
    = q2_title)
```





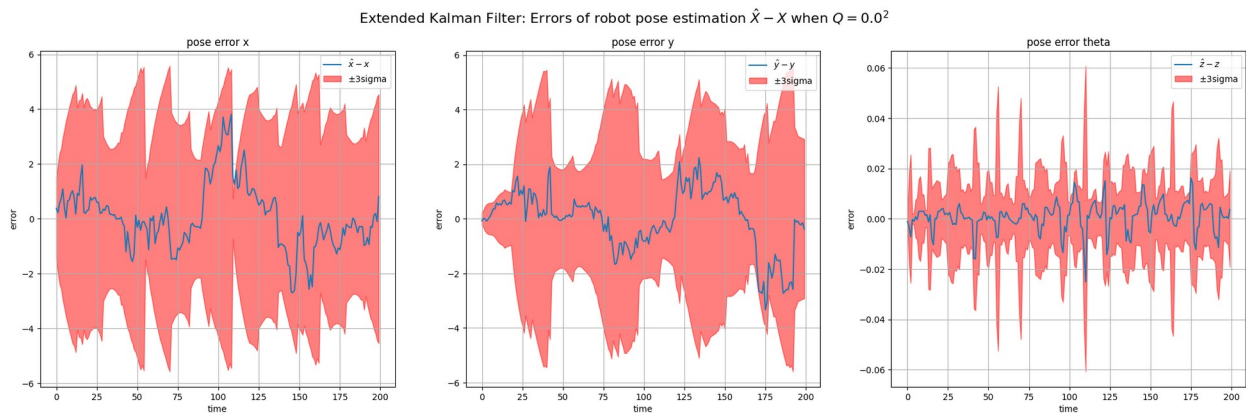
```

q3_input, q3_output, covs3 = load_data('Task_D/q3/input_data.npy',
'Task_D/q3/output_data.npy')

q3_title = r'Extended Kalman Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation
 $\hat{X} - X$  when  $Q=0.0^2$ '

plot_results(q3_input['real_robot_path'],
q3_output['mean_trajectory'], covs3, q3_input['num_steps'], plt_title
= q3_title)

```



Comment: Here we can also see that uncertainty decreases, but since we still have motion noise than can not absolutely rely on measurements and eliminate estimation errors.

### 3. How does PF behaves when amount of particles is decreased ?

Let us assume following sets of number of particles in order to investigate properties of PF:

1: num\_particles\$ = 50\$

1: num\_particles\$ = 10\$

3: num\_particles\$ = 5\$

```

input, output, covs = load_data('Task_D/num_part50/input_data.npy',
'Task_D/num_part50/output_data.npy')

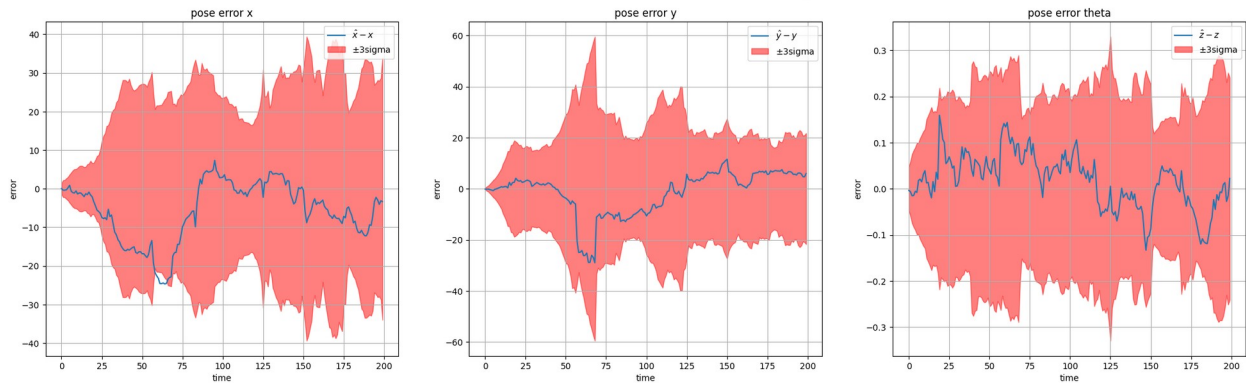
title = r'Particle Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation  $\hat{X} - X$ 
when number_particles = 50'

plot_results(input['real_robot_path'], output['mean_trajectory'],
covs, input['num_steps'], plt_title = title)

```



Particle Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation  $\hat{X} - X$  when number\_particles = 50

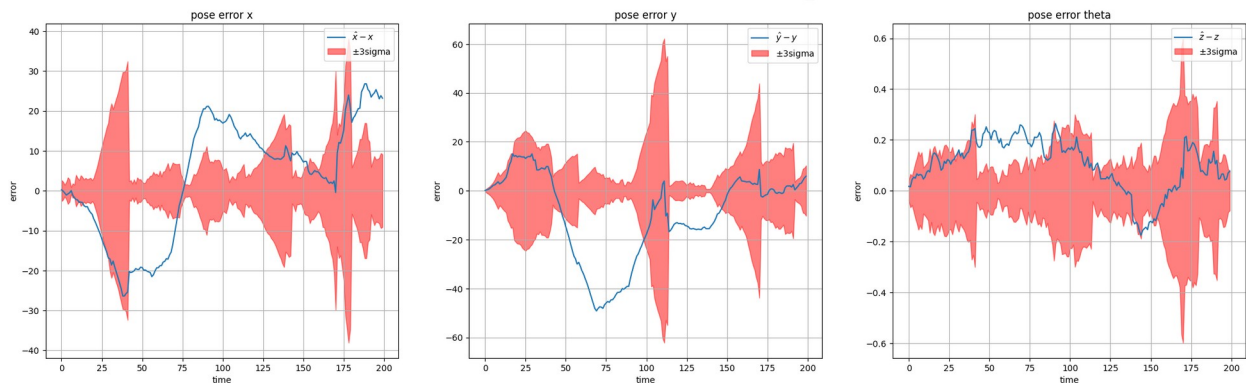


```
input, output, covs = load_data('Task_D/num_part5/input_data.npy',
                                'Task_D/num_part5/output_data.npy')
```

```
title = r'Particle Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation  $\hat{X} - X$  when number_particles = 5'
```

```
plot_results(input['real_robot_path'], output['mean_trajectory'],
             covs, input['num_steps'], plt_title = title)
```

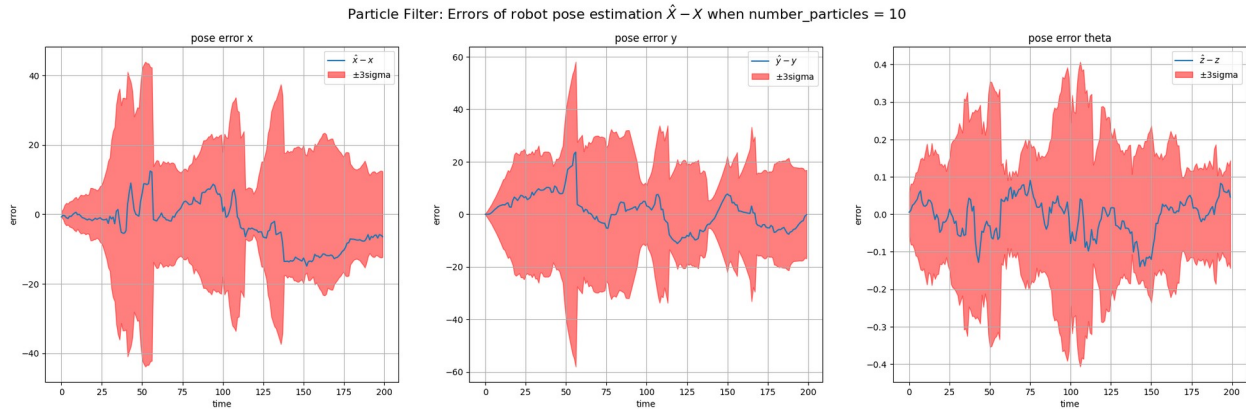
Particle Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation  $\hat{X} - X$  when number\_particles = 5



```
input, output, covs = load_data('Task_D/num_part10/input_data.npy',
                                'Task_D/num_part10/output_data.npy')
```

```
title = r'Particle Filter: Errors of robot pose estimation  $\hat{X} - X$  when number_particles = 10'
```

```
plot_results(input['real_robot_path'], output['mean_trajectory'],
             covs, input['num_steps'], plt_title = title)
```



Comment: when number of particles is extremely decreased, we can not provide a good estimation, the distribution of particles tells provide us with wrong localization information.

1. How does EKF behaves when we underestimate or overestimate motion noise and measurement noise?

Motion noise:

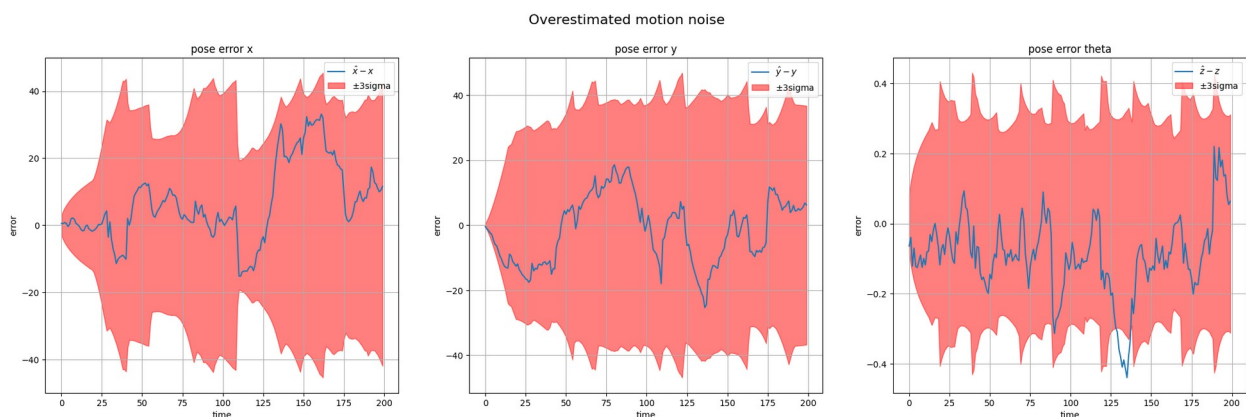
1:  $\alpha = 2 \cdot [0.05, 0.001, 0.05, 0.01]$  - Overestimated motion noise

2:  $\alpha = 0.5 \cdot [0.05, 0.001, 0.05, 0.01]$  - Underestimated motion noise

```
input, output, covs = load_data('Task_D/part4/set1/input_data.npy',
                                'Task_D/part4/set1/output_data.npy')
```

```
title = r'Overestimated motion noise'
```

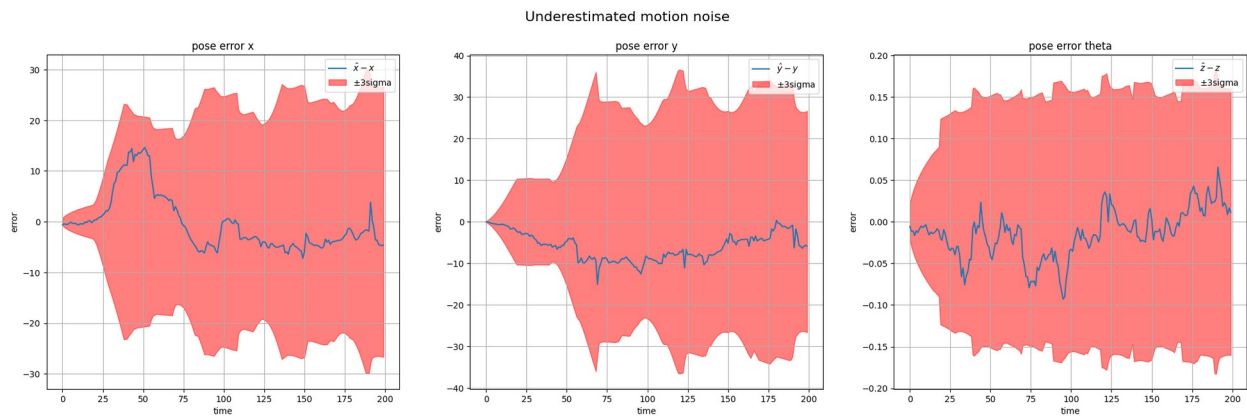
```
plot_results(input['real_robot_path'], output['mean_trajectory'],
             covs, input['num_steps'], plt_title = title)
```



```
input, output, covs = load_data('Task_D/part4/set2/input_data.npy',
                                'Task_D/part4/set2/output_data.npy')
```

```
title = r'Underestimated motion noise'
```

```
plot_results(input['real_robot_path'], output['mean_trajectory'],
covs, input['num_steps'], plt_title = title)
```



Comment: Underestimation or overestimation of the motion noise does not much affect the performance of EKF.

Observation noise:

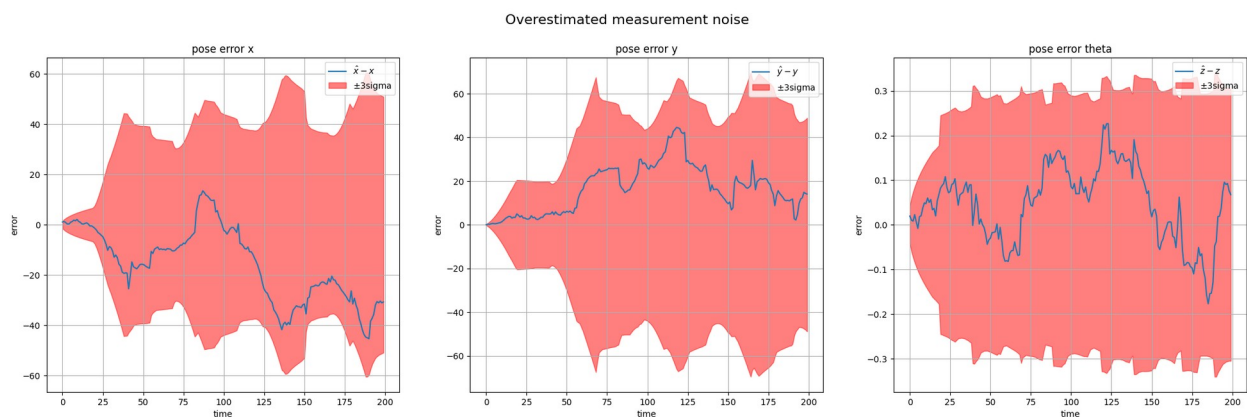
1:  $Q_1 = 0.6^2$  - Overestimated measurement noise

2:  $Q_2 = 0.1^2$  - Underestimated measurement noise

```
input, output, covs = load_data('Task_D/part4/q1/input_data.npy',
'Task_D/part4/q1/output_data.npy')
```

```
title = r'Overestimated measurement noise'
```

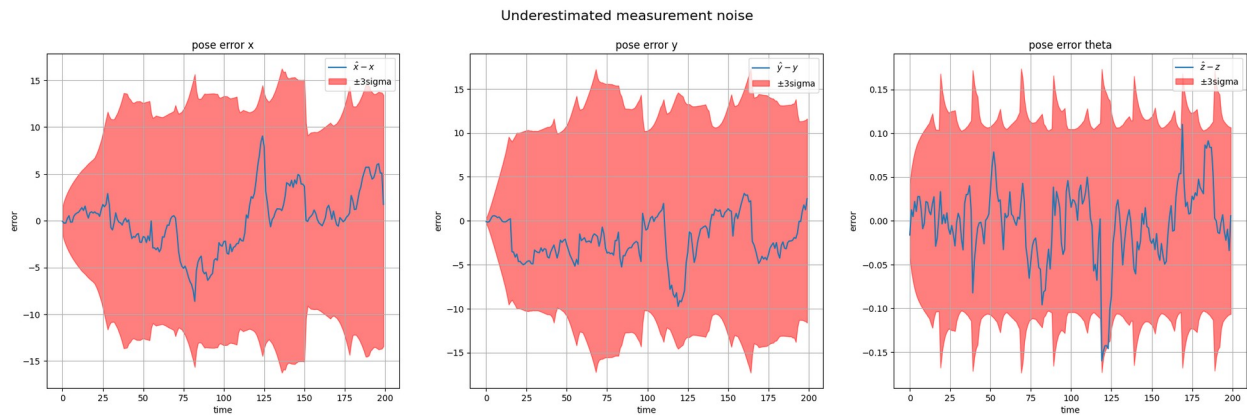
```
plot_results(input['real_robot_path'], output['mean_trajectory'],
covs, input['num_steps'], plt_title = title)
```



```
input, output, covs = load_data('Task_D/part4/q2/input_data.npy',
'Task_D/part4/q2/output_data.npy')
```

```
title = r'Underestimated measurement noise'
```

```
plot_results(input['real_robot_path'], output['mean_trajectory'],  
covs, input['num_steps'], plt_title = title)
```



Comment: we got the results of increased  $\sigma$  gap of possible estimation values