# Nonmyopic Distilled Data Association Belief Space Planning Under Budget Constraints

## Supplementary Material

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This document provides supplementary material to the paper [1]. Therefore, it should not be considered a self-contained document, but instead regarded as an appendix of [1]. Throughout this report, all notations and definitions are with compliance to the ones presented in [1].

### A Notations

Given a simplified belief  $b_{k+n}^s$  with  $M_{k+n}^s$  components and a belief component  $p_{k+n} \notin M_{k+n}^s$  with associated weight  $w_{k+n}^p$ , we denote  $M_{k+n}^{s+1} \triangleq M_{k+n}^s \cup p_{k+n}$ . We also further denote the bounds in Theorem 2 as  $\mathcal{LB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^s\right]$ ,  $\mathcal{UB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^s\right]$ , and the bounds in Theorem 3 as  $\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^s\right]$ ,  $\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^s\right]$ , i.e. with respect to  $M_{k+n}^s$  components of the simplified belief  $b_{k+n}^s$ .

### B Proofs

#### B.1 Theorem 1

Given  $M_{k+n}$  belief components, we split the cost function (eq. (20) in [1]) based on components in and outside  $M_{k+n}^s$ 

$$\mathcal{H}_{k+n} = -\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}}\right) - \sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}}\right). \tag{1}$$

Using basic log properties and  $w_{k+n}^{s,r} \triangleq \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}$  where  $w_{k+n}^{m,s} \triangleq \sum_{m \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^m$  completes the proof

$$\mathcal{H}_{k+n} = -\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s} w_{k+n}^{s,r}}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(w_{k+n}^{m,s} w_{k+n}^{s,r}\right) + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s} w_{k+n}^{s,r}}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\eta_{k+n}\right) - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} \frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}}\right) \\
= \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\eta_{k+n}} \left[ -\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} w_{k+n}^{s,r} log\left(w_{k+n}^{m,s} w_{k+n}^{s,r}\right) + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} w_{k+n}^{s,r} log\left(\eta_{k+n}\right) \right] - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} \frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}}\right) \\
= \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\eta_{k+n}} \left[ -\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} w_{k+n}^{s,r} log\left(w_{k+n}^{s,r}\right) - log\left(w_{k+n}^{m,s}\right) + log\left(\eta_{k+n}\right) \right] - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} \frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}}\right) \\
= \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\eta_{k+n}} \left[ \mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s} + log\left(\frac{\eta_{k+n}}{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}\right) \right] - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s}} \frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\frac{w_{k+n}^{r}}{\eta_{k+n}}\right). \tag{2}$$

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#### B.2 Theorem 2

The last term in (2) is non negative as all posterior weights are at most 1 by definition. Thus, removing this term and using the bounds over  $\eta_{k+n}$  in Theorem 3 we immediately get the lower bound

$$\mathcal{LB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}\right] = \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right]} \left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s} + log\left(\frac{\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right]}{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}\right)\right]. \tag{3}$$

For the upper bound, we first define

$$\gamma \triangleq \sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}} = 1 - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}}.$$
 (4)

Using the log sum inequality [2]

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} \cdot \log\left(\frac{a_{i}}{b_{i}}\right) \ge a \cdot \log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) \text{ where } \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} = a, \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_{i} = b$$
 (5)

with  $a_i = \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}}$  and  $b_i = 1$ , we bound the last term in (2)

$$\sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}} log\left(\frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\eta_{k+n}}\right) \ge \gamma log\left(\frac{\gamma}{\left|\neg M_{k+n}^s\right|}\right). \tag{6}$$

Substituting (6) into (2); using the bounds over  $\eta_{k+n}$  from Theorem 3; and since by definition  $0 \le \gamma \le 1$ , we get the upper bound

$$\mathcal{UB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}\right] = \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right]} \left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s} + log\left(\frac{\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right]}{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}\right)\right] - \bar{\gamma}log\left(\frac{\bar{\gamma}}{\left|\neg M_{k+n}^{s}\right|}\right),\tag{7}$$

where 
$$\bar{\gamma} = 1 - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\mathcal{U}\mathcal{B}[\eta_{k+n}]}$$
 and  $\left| \neg M_{k+n}^s \right| > 2$ .

#### B.3 Corollary 1

Given that  $M_{k+n}^s = M_{k+n}$  it holds by definition that  $\eta_{k+n} = w_{k+n}^{m,s}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_{k+n} = \mathcal{H}_{k+n}^s$ . Substituting back into (3) and using Corollary 2 we get

$$\lim_{\substack{M_{k+n}^s \to M_{k+n}}} \mathcal{LB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}\right] = \frac{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\eta_{k+n}} \left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n} + \log\left(\frac{\eta_{k+n}}{w_{k+n}^{m,s}}\right)\right] = \mathcal{H}_{k+n}. \tag{8}$$

It is also straightforward that  $M_{k+n}^s = M_{k+n} \Rightarrow \bar{\gamma} = 0$ . As such, similarly to the lower bound, it immediately holds that  $\mathcal{H}_{k+n} = \lim_{M_{k+n}^s \to M_{k+n}} \mathcal{UB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}\right]$ .

#### B.4 Theorem 3

By definition  $\eta_{k+n} = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}} w_{k+n}^r$ . Splitting this sum, we rewrite  $\eta_{k+n}$  as

$$\eta_{k+n} = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r + \sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r.$$
(9)

The second term in (9) is positive by definition. As such, removing it we immediately get the lower bound

$$\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right] = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r. \tag{10}$$

For the upper bound, we first rewrite the second term in (9) as

$$\sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+1}^s} w_{k+n}^r = \sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+1}^s} \prod_{i=0}^n w_{k+i}^r = \sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+1}^s} w_k^r \prod_{i=1}^n w_{k+i}^r.$$
(11)

Each  $w_{k+i}^r$  is defined as

$$\int_{x_{k+i}} \mathbb{P}(Z_{k+i}|\beta_{k+i}^r, x_{k+i}) \mathbb{P}(\beta_{k+i}^r|x_{k+i}) \mathbb{P}(x_{k+i}|H_{k+i}^-, \beta_{1:k+i}^r), \tag{12}$$

which can also be bounded as presented in Theorem 4 in [3]. The joint measurement likelihood term is a product of probability distribution functions, all given a priori, and can be bounded using a known maximum value  $\sigma^i$ . The term  $\mathbb{P}(\beta_{k+i}^r|x_{k+i})$  represents the probability for the rth data association realization given  $x_{k+i}$  and can bounded by 1 representing, for example, an indicator function for landmarks that are within the field of view. Finally, for every hypothesis r it holds that  $\int_{x_{k+i}} \mathbb{P}(x_{k+i}|H_{k+i}^-, \beta_{1:k+i}^r) = 1$ . By definition,  $\sum_{r \in M_k} w_k^r = 1$  and each component at time k generates  $\frac{|M_{k+i}|}{|M_k|}$  at time k+n, thus

$$\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}} w_k^r = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_k^r + \sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+n}^s} w_k^r = \frac{|M_{k+n}|}{|M_k|}.$$
(13)

As such, we can bound (11) as

$$\sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r \le \sum_{r \in \neg M_{k+n}^s} w_k^r \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma^i = \left( \frac{|M_{k+n}|}{|M_k|} - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_k^r \right) \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma^i.$$
(14)

Substituting back into (9) we get the upper bound

$$\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right] = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r + \left(\frac{|M_{k+n}|}{|M_k|} - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_k^r\right) \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma^i.$$
 (15)

#### B.5 Corollary 2

Given that  $M_{k+n}^s = M_{k+n}$  it holds by definition that  $\eta_{k+n} = w_{k+n}^{m,s}$ . Substituting back into (10) we get

$$\lim_{M_{k+n}^s \to M_{k+n}} \mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right] = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r = w_{k+n}^{m,s} = \eta_{k+n}. \tag{16}$$

It is also straightforward that  $M_{k+n}^s = M_{k+n} \Rightarrow \frac{|M_{k+n}|}{|M_k|} - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_k^r = 0$  As such, similarly to the lower bound, it immediately holds that  $\eta_{k+n} = \lim_{M_{k+n}^s \to M_{k+n}} \mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right]$ .

## C Recursive update rules

## C.1 Incrementally adapting $\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right], \mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}\right]$

Given a belief component  $p_{k+n} \notin M_{k+n}^s$  with associated weight  $w_{k+n}^p$ , we first derive a recursive update rule for the lower bound

$$\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right] = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r = w_{k+n}^p + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r = w_{k+n}^p + \mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^s\right]. \tag{17}$$

The recursive update rule for the upper bound is given by

$$\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right] = \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r + \left(\frac{|M_{k+n}|}{|M_k|} - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_k^r\right) \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma^i$$

$$= w_{k+n}^p + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r + \left(\frac{|M_{k+n}|}{|M_k|} - w_k^p - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_k^r\right) \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma^i$$

$$= w_{k+n}^p - w_k^p \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma^i + \mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^s\right],$$
(18)

where  $\sigma^i \triangleq \max(\mathbb{P}(Z_{k+i}|x_{k+i}))$  and  $w_k^p$  is the prior weight at time k of the belief component  $p_{k+n}$ .

### C.2 Incrementally adapting $\mathcal{LB}[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}], \mathcal{LB}[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}]$

Deriving a direct recursive update rule for these bounds is not trivial. Instead, we show how each term in  $\mathcal{LB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]$ ,  $\mathcal{LB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]$  can be incrementally updated individually.

Given a belief component  $p_{k+n} \notin M_{k+n}^s$  with associated weight  $w_{k+n}^p$ , we first derive a recursive update rule for the cost over the simplified belief  $b_{k+n}^{s+1}$ , i.e. containing  $M_{k+n}^{s+1} \triangleq M_{k+n}^s \cup p_{k+n}$  components

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s+1} &\triangleq c \left( b_{k+n}^{s+1} \right) = -\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r} \right) \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r} \right) - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^r} \right) \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s}} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s}} \right) - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^r + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^r + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} w_{k+n}^r} \right) \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^m} \right) - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^m} \right) - \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \left[ \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) + \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) \right] \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^m} \right) - \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \left[ -\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^s + \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right] \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^m} \right) - \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \left[ -\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^s + \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^m} \right] \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) - \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \left[ -\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^s + \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^s} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{w_{k+n}^m} \right] \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) - \frac{w_{k+n}^m}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \left[ -\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m \right] - \mathcal{H}_{k+n}^m} \right] \\ &= -\frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \log \left( \frac{w_{k+n}^p}{w_{k+n}^m + w_{k+n}^m} \right) -$$

Using (19) and the recursive update rules derived in Section C.1, we get a recursive update rule for the lower bound

$$\mathcal{LB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right] = \frac{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^{r}}{\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]} \left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s+1} + \log\left(\frac{\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^{r}}\right)\right] \\
= \frac{w_{k+n}^{p} + w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]} \left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s+1} + \log\left(\frac{\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]}{w_{k+n}^{p} + w_{k+n}^{m,s}}\right)\right].$$
(20)

Similarly, we also get a recursive update rule for the upper bound

$$\mathcal{UB}\left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right] = \frac{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^{r}}{\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]} \left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s+1} + log\left(\frac{\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]}{\sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} w_{k+n}^{r}}\right)\right] - \bar{\gamma}log\left(\frac{\bar{\gamma}}{|\neg M_{k+n}^{s+1}|}\right) \\
= \frac{w_{k+n}^{p} + w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\mathcal{LB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]} \left[\mathcal{H}_{k+n}^{s+1} + log\left(\frac{\mathcal{UB}\left[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}\right]}{w_{k+n}^{p} + w_{k+n}^{m,s}}\right)\right] - \bar{\gamma}log\left(\frac{\bar{\gamma}}{|\neg M_{k+n}^{s+1}|}\right), \tag{21}$$

where 
$$\bar{\gamma} = 1 - \sum_{r \in M_{k+n}^{s+1}} \frac{w_{k+n}^r}{\mathcal{UB}[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}]} = 1 - \frac{w_{k+n}^p + w_{k+n}^{m,s}}{\mathcal{UB}[\eta_{k+n}|M_{k+n}^{s+1}]} \text{ and } \left| \neg M_{k+n}^{s+1} \right| > 2.$$

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