

# Kalman filter as the best linear estimator

Notation: -  $y(k)$  instead  $y_k$

- System starts  $k=0$  measurements  $y(1), \dots, y(k)$

- Most important: 2 sources of uncertainty

→  $v(k)$  "process noise"

→  $w(k)$  "measurement noise"

$$v(k) = F_k w_k$$

$$w(k) = E_k w_k$$

- Variances:  $R$   $q$   $\text{Var}(q)$   $\Sigma_q$   $\Sigma^q$

$$\rightarrow \text{Var}(w(k)) = R(k)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Var}(v(k)) = Q(k)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Estimation error: } \varepsilon \quad \text{Var}(\varepsilon(k)) = P(k)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Initial state } \text{Var}(x(0)) = P_0$$

- Estimates  $\hat{x}_m(k)$   $\hat{x}_p(k)$

$\hat{x}_{d|k}$

$\hat{x}_{k|k-1}$

$$x(k) = x(k-1)$$

RLS : Problem: static  $x$  (no dynamics)

$$\text{Observation: } y(k) = C(k)x + w(k); \quad y(k) \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad w(k) \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Know: prior of } x: \text{mean } \bar{x} = E[x] \\ P_x = E[(x - \bar{x})(x - \bar{x})^T]$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Meas. noise } w(k): \text{zero-mean, known variance} \quad E[w(k)] = 0 \\ R(k) = \text{Var}(w(k))$$

→  $\{x, w(1), w(2), \dots\}$  are independent.

## Standard Weighted least squares

Collect  $\{y(1), y(2), \dots, y(k)\}$

- pseudo measurement:  $y(0) = \bar{x} = I \cdot x + (\bar{x} - x)$

$$y(0:k) = C(0:k)x + w(0:k)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y(0) \\ \vdots \\ y(k) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ C(1) \\ \vdots \\ C(k) \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} - x \\ w(1) \\ \vdots \\ w(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(0:k) = \begin{bmatrix} P_x & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & R(1) & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & R(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x}^{wls}(1) = \arg \min_{\hat{x}} \mathcal{E}(\hat{x}, 0:k) R(0:k) \mathcal{E}(\hat{x}, 0:k)$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\hat{x}, 0:k) = y(0:k) - C(0:k)\hat{x}$$

$$\hat{x}^{wls}(k) = (C(0:k)^T R(0:k)^{-1} C(0:k))^{-1} C(0:k)^T R(0:k)^{-1} y(0:k)$$

## Recursive update

Restrict to:  $\hat{x}(k) = \hat{x}(k-1) + K(k)(y(k) - C(k)\hat{x}(k-1))$  ←

→  $\hat{x}(k)$  estimate of  $x$  at time  $k$ , using measurements  $y(1), \dots, y(k)$  & prior knowledge  $\bar{x}, P_0$

→  $K(k)$ : gain matrix, design variable

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(k) &:= x - \hat{x}(k) \quad \text{estimation} \\ &= x - \hat{x}(k-1) - K(k)(\cancel{y(k)} - C(k)\hat{x}(k-1)) \\ &= \mathcal{E}(k-1) - K(k)C(k)\mathcal{E}(k-1) - K(k)w(k) \\ &= (I - K(k)C(k))\mathcal{E}(k-1) - K(k)w(k). \quad \leftarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Expectation: } E[\mathcal{E}(k)] &= E[(I - K(k)C(k))\mathcal{E}(k-1) - K(k)w(k)] \\ &= (I - K(k)C(k))E[\mathcal{E}(k-1)] - K(k)E[w(k)] \end{aligned}$$

If we set  $\hat{x}(0) = \bar{x} \Rightarrow E[\mathcal{E}(0)] = 0$   $\mathcal{E}(0) = x - \hat{x}(0)$

$$\Rightarrow E[\mathcal{E}(k)] = 0 \quad \forall k$$

Goal choose  $K(k)$  intelligently

Specifically: minimize mean squared error

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost: } J(k) &:= E[\varepsilon^T(k) \varepsilon(k)] = E[\text{trace}(\underline{\varepsilon(k) \varepsilon(k)^T})] \\ &= \text{trace}(E[\varepsilon(k) \varepsilon(k)^T]) \\ &= \text{trace}(P(k)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(k) &:= E[\varepsilon(k) \varepsilon(k)^T] \\ &= \text{Var}(\varepsilon(k)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\varepsilon(k) = (I - K(k) \cdot C(k)) \varepsilon(k-1) - K(k) \cdot w(k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(k) &= E[\varepsilon(k) \varepsilon(k)^T] \\ &= E\left[\left((I - K(k) \cdot C(k)) \varepsilon(k-1) - K(k) w(k)\right) \left[\text{---}\right]^T\right] \\ &= E\left[\underline{(I - K(k) \cdot C(k)) \varepsilon(k-1) \varepsilon(k-1)^T (I - K(k) \cdot C(k))^T}\right] \\ &\quad + E\left[\underline{K(k) w(k) w(k)^T K(k)^T}\right] \\ &\quad - E\left[(I - K(k) \cdot C(k)) \varepsilon(k-1) w(k)^T K(k)^T\right] \\ &\quad - E\left[\text{---}\right]^T \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \underline{(I - K(k) \cdot C(k)) P(k-1) (I - K(k) \cdot C(k))^T} \\ &\quad + K(k) R(k) K(k)^T \\ &\quad - (I - K(k) \cdot C(k)) \cancel{E[\varepsilon(k-1) w(k)^T]} K(k)^T \\ &\quad - \left( \text{---} \right)^T \end{aligned}$$

(Note:  $E[\varepsilon(k-1) w(k)^T] = 0$  and  $E[w(k) \varepsilon(k-1)^T] = 0$ )

$$P(k) = (I - K(k) C(k)) P(k-1) \text{---}^T + K(k) R(k) K(k)^T$$

Goal:  $\min J(k) = \min \text{trace } P(k)$

Need: Results, state without proof

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial A} \text{trace}(A B A^T) = 2AB \text{ if } B=B^T$$

Where: for a scalar function  $g(A)$  for  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial A} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g(A)}{\partial A_{1,1}} & \dots & \frac{\partial g(A)}{\partial A_{1,n}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial g(A)}{\partial A_{m,1}} & \dots & \frac{\partial g(A)}{\partial A_{m,n}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial A} \text{trace}(AB) = B^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow -J &= \text{trace}((I-KC)P(I-KC)^T + KRK^T) \\ &= \text{trace}((I-KC)P(I-KC)^T) + \text{trace}(CRK^T) \end{aligned}$$

Omitting the index  $k$

At optimum:  $\frac{\partial J}{\partial K} = 0$

$$\rightarrow 0 = \frac{\partial \text{trace}((I-KC)P(I-KC)^T + KRK^T)}{\partial K}$$

$$K(k) = P(k-1)C^T(k)(C(k)P(k-1)C(k)^T + R(k))^{-1}$$

Kalman filter gain

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RLS: init:  $\hat{x}(0) = \bar{x}$        $P(0) = P_x = \text{Var}(\bar{x})$

Observe  $y(k)$

Update:  $K(k) = P(k-1)C^T(k)(C(k)P(k-1)C(k)^T + R(k))^{-1}$

$$\hat{x}(k) = \hat{x}(k-1) + K(k)(y(k) - C(k)\hat{x}(k-1))$$

$$P(k) = (I - K(k)C(k))P(k-1) + K(k)R(k)K(k)^T$$