

RMP- Bayesian Filter & Particle Filter

Key words	KF/EKF/UKF VS. Bayes Filter	global localization	non-Gaussian	non-linear	particle filter	resampling	unknown initial position
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KF/EKF/UKF: incremental localization

- robot position: can be modeled by a **single Gaussian distribution**
- **known initial position** (Initialization necessary)

Problem:

- **unknown initial position** → robot can be anywhere
- distribution of the robot position: **unsmooth, non-Gaussian**

Filtering: **sequentially estimating** the states of a system as **a set of observations available** online.

- Solution: $p(X_k|Y_k) = p(x_k|Y_k)$ → no need to keep track of all states.
- ▼ a general system: **non-linear, non-Gaussian**
 - **assumptions:**
 - **states are markovian:** $p(x_k|x_{k-1}, x_{k-2}, \dots, x_0) = p(x_k|x_{k-1})$
 - **observations:** $P(y_k|x_k, \dots, x_0) = P(y_k|x_k)$

Bayesian Inference:

- Goal: construct posterior state x_k given a **sequence observations** Y_k
- Solution: Monte Carlo method \rightarrow approximate by a **cloud of weighted discrete particles**

Bayes Filter

- **assumptions:**
 - **states are markovian:** $p(x_k | x_{k-1}, x_{k-2}, \dots, x_0) = p(x_k | x_{k-1})$
 - **observations:** $P(y_k | x_k, \dots, x_0) = P(y_k | x_k)$
 - **arbitrary distribution:** a mixture of multiple Gaussians

▼ Input:

- **sequence** of observations: $y_{1:k} = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k]$
- **sequence** of control inputs: $u_{0:k-1} = [u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}]$
- **motion model:** $P(x_k | x_{k-1}, u_{k-1})$ with initial $P(x_1 | u_0)$
- **measurement model (map):** $P(y_k | x_k)$

▼ Prediction:

$$P(x_{k+1}) = \int P(x_{k+1} | x_k, u_k) \cdot P(x_k) dx_k$$

▼ Correction (measurement update):

- posterior probability distribution: $P(x_k | y_{1:k}, u_{0:k-1})$
 - **combination of prediction and observation of KF** \rightarrow recursive

$$P(x_k | u_{0:k-1}, y_{1:k}) = \eta_k \cdot \underbrace{P(y_k | x_k)}_{\text{observation}} \int_{x_{k-1}} \underbrace{P(x_k | x_{k-1}, u_{k-1})}_{\text{prediction}} \cdot \underbrace{P(x_{k-1} | u_{0:k-2}, y_{1:k-1})}_{\text{recursive instance}}$$

discrete case: Grid-based Localization

- Updating using **motion model:** a **discrete convolution** of prior by the **driving noise** of planned motion

$$P(x_{k+1}^-) = \sum P(x_{k+1}^- | x_k, u_k) \cdot P(x_k)$$

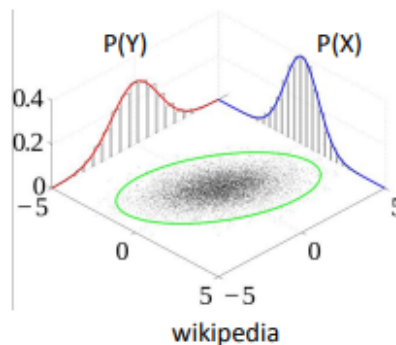
- Updating from **observation**: a **multiplication** of **prior probability** by **likelihood of observation**

$$P(x_{k+1}) = \eta \cdot P(y_{k+1} | x_{k+1}^-) \cdot P(x_{k+1}^-)$$

—> a probability distribution —> **maximum likelihood**

Bayes Filter VS. Kalman Filter

- KF:
 - **local navigation**: update the **unique position**. (even with Data association: it will be matched to one position)
 - if multiple solutions: unable to associate observation to prediction. —> **Data association problem** —> **ambiguities**
- Bayes Filter:
 - **global navigation**
 - combination of prediction and observation in recursion.
 - need to integrate the entire space to calculate posterior.



Particle Filter / Monto Carlo Filter

- **non-Gaussian, nonlinear** processes

- Input:
 - sequence of measurements $y_{1:k}$
 - sequence of control vectors $u_{0:k-1}$
 - **N samples** corresponding to prior belief $P(x)$ — uniform distribution $P(x_0)$ / others from previous call $P(x_{k-1})$
- Output:
- ▼ Process:
 1. Initial state: **uniform distribution of samples**
 2. **draw n samples/particles** from the belief
 3. prediction: **predict state for each particle** with motion model, each sample has **weight = 1**
 4. measurement update: for each measurement, **each particle updates measurement prediction** with measurement model
 5. **update weight** with actual measurement.
 6. **resample particles** according to the updated weight
- Resampling:
 - Roulette wheel: roll the wheel n times —> bias towards higher weight, $O(\log n)$
 - **Stochastic universal sampling**: generate n pointers evenly on the wheel at 1 time, $O(n)$

Bayes Filter VS. Particle Filter

- Bayes: represent the probability distribution as **n-dimensional function**
—> space discretization, computational expensive
- Particle: represent **belief** with **samples/particles** —> particle density \uparrow , probability \uparrow