APPENDIX

Target Tracking Using Quantized Observations in Delay-Sensitive Networks

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I. APPENDIX

Here, we derive the squared position error bound (SPEB) of **p**⁺ in Proposition 1. Firstly, the unknown parameters are collected as $\mathbf{\theta} = [(\mathbf{p}^+)^T, \mathbf{p}^T]^T$ and the log-likelihood function

$$\ln f(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \ln f(\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{p}) + \ln f(\boldsymbol{p}^{+}|\boldsymbol{p}) + \ln f(\boldsymbol{p}).$$
 (1)

Then, the Fisher information matrix (FIM) of θ can be decomposed into three parts, as follows [1]:

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{\theta}}(\mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{J}_{ob}(\mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{J}_{M}(\mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{J}_{P}$$
 (2)

where the matrices $J_{ob}(b)$, $J_{M}(b)$, and J_{P} represent FIMs from quantized observations, target motions, and a prior knowledge of the target, respectively. The expression of $J_{ob}(b)$ is

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathrm{ob}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = -\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z},\mathbf{p}} \{ \Delta_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \ln f(\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{p}) \}$$
 (3)

where $\Delta_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \ln f(\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{p})$ denotes $\partial^2 \ln f(\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{p})/\partial \boldsymbol{\theta} \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}$ and (3) is rewritten since the observation is not associated with \mathbf{p}^+ , given as

$$\mathbf{J}_{ob}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{O} & \boldsymbol{O} \\ \boldsymbol{O} & \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{p}} \left\{ \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{O}}(\boldsymbol{b}) \right\} \end{bmatrix}$$
(4)

where O denotes the 2×2 zero matrix and

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{Q}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = -\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{p}} \{ \Delta_{\boldsymbol{p}}^{\boldsymbol{p}} \ln f(\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{p}) \}. \tag{5}$$

The expression for $J_O(b)$ is computed similarly to previous studies analyzing performance limits for unknown parameters from quantized observations [2]. It is provided as follows:

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{Q}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N_{\mathbf{a}}} \sum_{p=1}^{P} \gamma_n \rho_{n,p}(b_n) \frac{\partial s_p(\mathbf{\tau}_n)}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}} \frac{\partial s_p(\mathbf{\tau}_n)}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{\mathsf{T}}}, \quad (6)$$

where $\gamma_n = |\beta_n|^2/\sigma_n^2$ represents the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) at n-th agent, $s_p(\tau_n)$ refers to the p-th element of the signal vector $s(f_s; \tau_n)$, and $\rho_{n,p}(b_n)$ represents the quantized coefficient at p-th quantizer of n-th agent, calculated by

$$\rho_{n,p}(b_n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=1}^{L_n} \frac{\left(e^{-r_{l+1}^2} - e^{-r_l^2}\right)^2}{\Phi(r_{l+1}) - \Phi(r_l)}.$$
 (7)

$$r_l = [u_l - \beta_n s_n(\mathbf{\tau}_n)] / \sigma_n^2, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots, L_n$$
 (8)

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where $\Phi(x)$ denotes the tail distribution function of the standard norm distribution with $\Phi(x)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\int_{\infty}^{x}e^{-\frac{t^{2}}{2}}~dt$ [3]. Subsequently, the matrix $\mathbf{J_{M}}(b)$ can be computed as follows:

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{M}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = -\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p}^{+}} \left\{ \Delta_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \ln f(\boldsymbol{p}^{+}|\boldsymbol{p}) \right\}, \tag{9}$$

which can be calculated as

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{M}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \frac{1}{\alpha t(\boldsymbol{b})} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{I}_2 & -\boldsymbol{I}_2 \\ -\boldsymbol{I}_2 & \boldsymbol{I}_2 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{10}$$

Furthermore, the FIM from the a priori knowledge of the target is independent of the bit-depth, which is given by

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{P}} = -\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{p}} \{ \Delta_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{p}} \ln f(\mathbf{p}) \}. \tag{11}$$

Due to the a priori knowledge only relies on **p**, we can obtain

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{P}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} \\ \mathbf{O} & \sigma_0^{-2} \mathbf{I}_2 \end{bmatrix} \tag{12}$$

Substituting (4), (10), and (12) into (2), we can obtain the partition of the FIM $J_{\theta}(b)$ is given by

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{\theta}}(b) = \begin{bmatrix} A & -A \\ -A^{\mathsf{T}} & A + W \end{bmatrix}$$
 (13)

where $\mathbf{A} = 1/\left[\alpha t(\mathbf{b})\right] \mathbf{I}_2$ and $\mathbf{W} = \mathbb{E}\left\{\mathbf{J}_{\mathrm{O}}(\mathbf{b})\right\} + \sigma_0^{-2} \mathbf{I}_2$. Then, the equivalent Fisher information matrix (EFIM) for estimating **p**⁺ is given by [4]

$$\mathbf{J}_{++}^{e}(b) = A - A(A + W)^{-1}A^{T}.$$
 (14)

According to the matrix inverse lemma, we have

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{W})^{-1} = \alpha t(\mathbf{b}) \mathbf{I}_2 - (\alpha t(\mathbf{b}))^2 [\mathbf{W}^{-1} + \alpha t(\mathbf{b}) \mathbf{I}_2]^{-1}$$
(15)

Substituting (15) into (14), we can obtain the closed-from EFIM for estimating \mathbf{p}^+ , which is given by

$$\mathbf{J}_{+,+}^{\mathbf{e}}(\boldsymbol{b}) = \left[\boldsymbol{W}^{-1} + \alpha t(\boldsymbol{b})\boldsymbol{I}_{2}\right]^{-1}$$
 (16)

Finally, the closed-form SPEB for estimating \mathbf{p}^+ is given as

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{p}^+; \boldsymbol{b}) = \operatorname{tr}\left\{ \left(\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{p}} \{ \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{Q}}(\boldsymbol{b}) \} + \sigma_0^{-2} \boldsymbol{I}_2 \right)^{-1} \right\} + 2\alpha t(\boldsymbol{b}), \quad (17)$$

which completes the proof of Proposition 1.

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