

L12: Smoothing and Mapping (SAM)

* Summary of L11 (Data Association)

$$c^i = \underset{j}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|m_j - z^i\|_2 \quad \text{Euclidean Nearest Neighbour}$$

$$c^i = \underset{j}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|m_j - z^i\|_{\Sigma_j} \quad \text{Mahalanobis N.N.}$$

$$c_t^* = \underset{c}{\operatorname{argmax}} \{ p(z_t | c_t, y_t) \} \quad \text{Maximum likelihood}$$

$$\max(\Pi p) = \Pi \underbrace{\max(p)}_{\text{equivalent to Mahalanobis N.N.}} \rightarrow \min(-\log p)$$

JGBB: Joint Compatibility Branch and Bound

Evaluates hypothesis recursively and eliminates branches

$$d_{H_0}^2 < \chi_{d,\alpha}^2 \quad \backslash \quad \alpha \text{ confidence level } d = \dim(\mathcal{H}_0)$$

chi squared table for different α, d

* SAM as a full SLAM problem (almost)

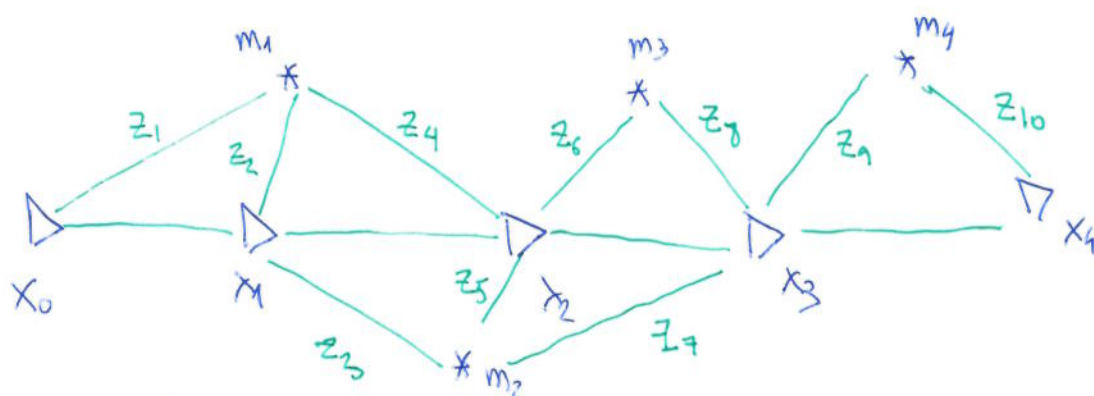
Smoothing \rightarrow The robot trajectory $x_{1:t}$

mapping \rightarrow Set of landmarks (today) or any other representation

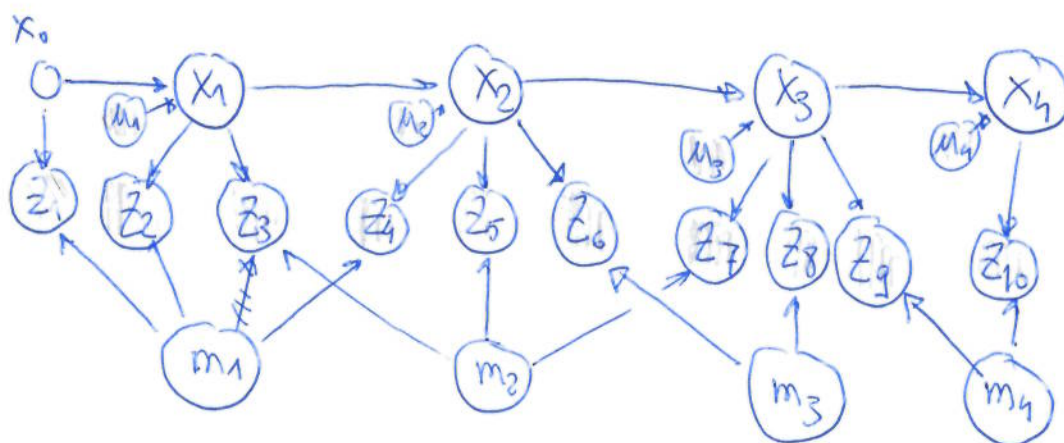
- Alternative to filter-based (L11) SLAM and still efficient

- Keeping the full trajectory is beneficial rather than just x_t .

*SLAM as a Bayes Network



Graphical models are a powerful tool to describe SLAM



$$P(\underbrace{X}_{\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}}, \underbrace{M}_{\{m_1, \dots, m_n\}}, Z, \mathcal{U}) = p(x_0) \prod_{i=1}^M p(x_i | x_{i-1}, m_i) \cdot \prod_{k=1}^n p(z_k | x_{i_k}, m_{j_k})$$

transitions

landmark
observations

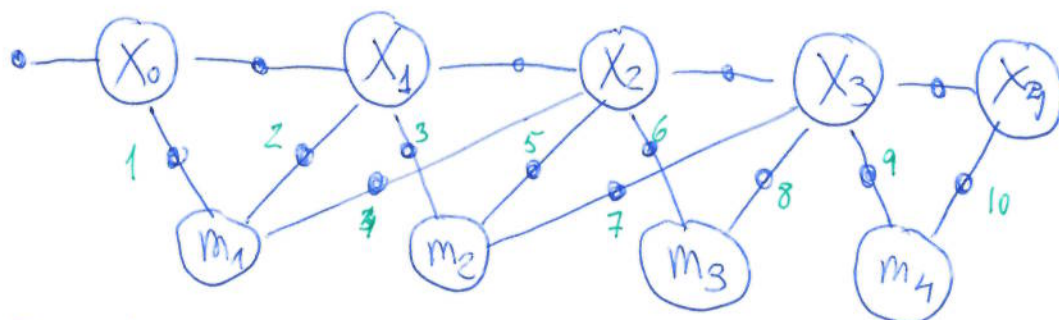
Objective: maximize the joint probability

Optimizing the graphical models drives us into:

- Graph theory
- Linear Algebra.

* SAM as a Factor Graph : (Bipartite graph)

- Bayesian networks are a natural way to express relations
- FG's have a tighter connection to optimization.



Eliminate z, u as variables, now they are factors expressing the distributions between variables (x, m)

$$\Theta = \{x, m, z, u\}, \quad p(\Theta) = \prod \phi_i(\theta_i) \cdot \prod \psi_{ij}(\theta_i, \theta_j)$$

$$\phi_0(x_0) \propto p(x_0)$$

$$\psi_{(i-1)i}(x_{i-1}, x_i) \propto p(x_i | x_{i-1}, m_i)$$

$$\psi_{ik,jk}(x_{ik}, m_{jk}) \propto p(z_k | x_{ik}, m_{jk})$$

Same identical representation as Bayes network if factors are defined this way.

→ Transition model:

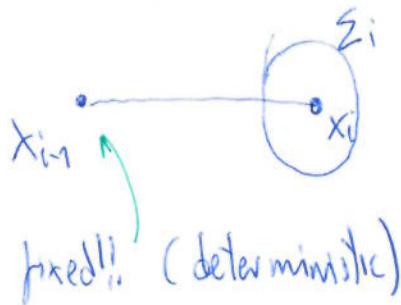
(Ri)

$$p(x_i | x_{i-1}, u_i) = \mathcal{N}(x_i; g_i(x_{i-1}, u_i), \Sigma_i)$$

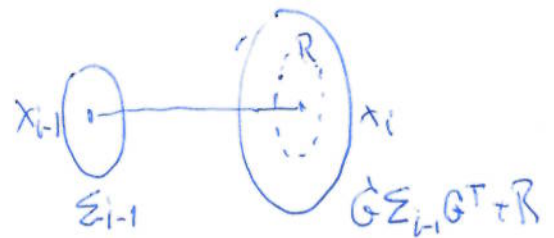
$$= \eta \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \| g_i(x_{i-1}, u_i) - x_i \|_{\Sigma_i}^2 \right\}$$

Ex:

ψ_{i-1}



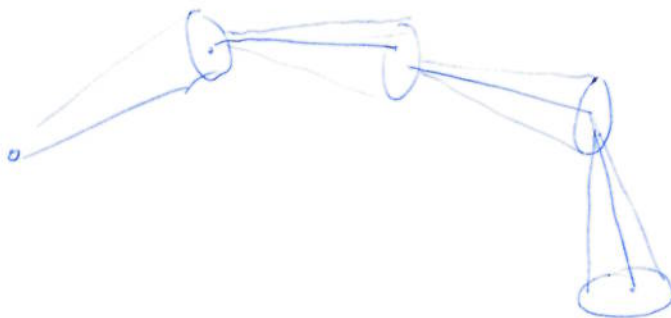
EKF.



propagation model

- Odometry
- unicycle kinematic
- car kinematic, etc.

Smoothing: optimization of the chain trajectory



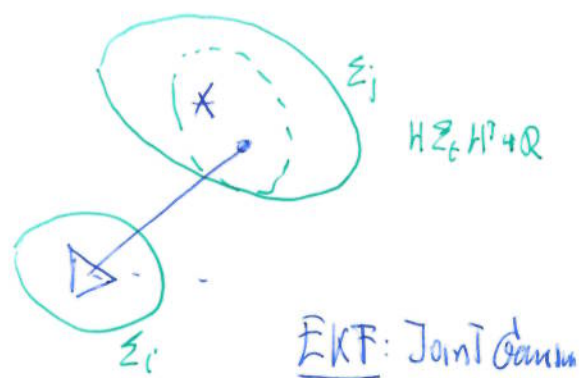
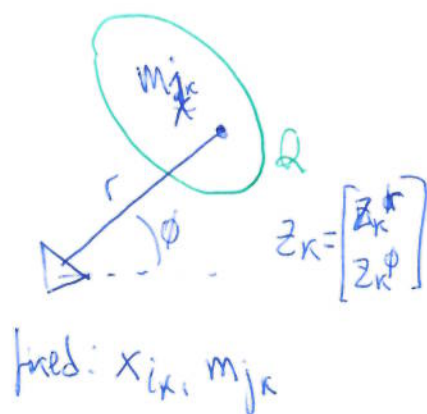
Relative relations (i-1, i)

Covariances do not get propagated over the state variables.

→ Observation model

$$p(z_k | x_{i_k}, m_{j_k}) = \mathcal{N}(z_k | h_k(x_{i_k}, m_{j_k}), \Sigma_k) \quad (Q)$$

$$= \eta \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \| h_k(x_{i_k}, m_{j_k}) - z_k \|_{\Sigma_k}^2 \right\}$$



* Solving SAM

$$\theta^* = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(X, M | Z, U) = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(X, M, Z, U)$$

$$= \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\{ -\log p(X, M, Z, U) \right\}$$

$$= \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^M \| g_i(x_{i-1}, u_i) - x_i \|_{\Sigma_i}^2 + \sum_{k=1}^K \| h_k(x_{i_k}, m_{j_k}) - z_k \|_{\Sigma_k}^2 \right\}$$

Non-linear least squares problem (NLLSR)

Equivalent to EKF of the augmented state $x_{0:1}$.

Linearize the NLLSQ

$$g_i(x_{i-1}, u_i) - x_i \simeq \left[\underbrace{g_i(x_{i-1}^0, u_i)}_{\text{residual } a_i} + \underbrace{G_i^{i-1} \delta x_{i-1}}_{\text{variables}} \right] - \left[\underbrace{x_i^0}_{\text{fixed}} + \underbrace{\delta x_i}_{\text{error perturbation}} \right]$$

$$= (G_i^{i-1} \delta x_{i-1} - \delta x_i) - a_i$$

Jacobian $G_i^{i-1} = \left. \frac{\partial g_i(x_{i-1}, u_i)}{\partial x_{i-1}} \right|_{x_{i-1}^0}$

$$h_k(x_{ik}, m_{jk}) - z_k \simeq h_k(x_{ik}^0, m_{jk}^0) + H_k^{ik} \delta x_{ik} + J_k^{jk} \delta m_{jk} - z_k$$

$$= (H_k^{ik} \delta x_{ik} + J_k^{jk} \delta m_{jk}) - c_k$$

Jacobians: $H_k^{ik} = \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_{ik}} \right|_{(x_{ik}^0, m_{jk}^0)}$

$$J_k^{jk} = \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial m_{jk}} \right|_{(x_{ik}^0, m_{jk}^0)}$$

* linearized LSA

$$\mathcal{J}^* = \underset{\mathcal{J}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^M \| G_i^{i-1} \mathcal{J} x_{i-1} - I \mathcal{J} x_i - a_i \|_{\Sigma_i}^2 + \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{k=1}^K \| H_k^{i_k} \mathcal{J} x_{i_k} + J_k^{j_k} \mathcal{J} m_{j_k} - c_k \|_{\Sigma_k}^2 \right\}$$

How to simplify this expression?

$$\| e \|_{\Sigma}^2 = e^T \Sigma^{-1} e = e^T (\sqrt{\Sigma} \sqrt{\Sigma}^T)^{-1} e \\ = e^T \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Sigma^{\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)} e = \| \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}} e \|_2^2$$

(transpose, squared root and inverse)

Mahalanobis becomes Euclidean distance by premultiplying

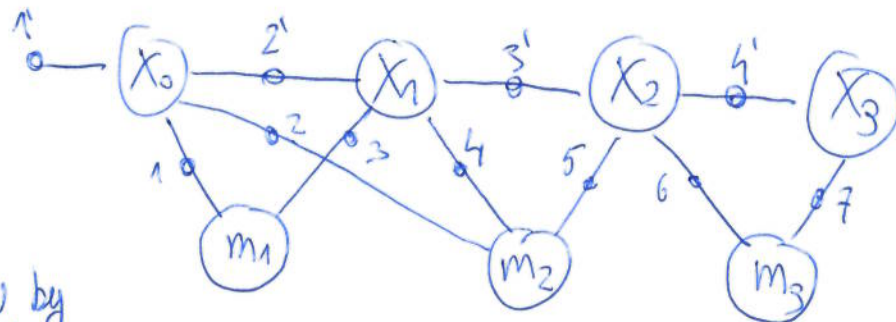
$$\mathcal{J}^* = \underset{\mathcal{J}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^M \underbrace{W_i}_{\Sigma_i^{-1/2}} \| \Sigma_i^{-\frac{1}{2}} (G_i^{i-1} \mathcal{J} x_{i-1} - I \mathcal{J} x_i) - (\Sigma_i^{-\frac{1}{2}} a_i) \|_2^2 + \right. \\ \left. + \sum_k \underbrace{W_k}_{\Sigma_k^{-1/2}} \| \Sigma_k^{-\frac{1}{2}} (H_k^{i_k} \mathcal{J} x_{i_k} + J_k^{j_k} \mathcal{J} m_{j_k}) - (\Sigma_k^{-\frac{1}{2}} c_k) \|_2^2 \right\}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{J}^* = \underset{\mathcal{J}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \| A \mathcal{J} - b \|_2^2}$$

LLSQ

Sumatory as a matrix product.

Ex3



Premultiply row by
information factor W .

$$A = \begin{matrix}
 \begin{matrix} (W_1^0 X) \\ (W_2^0 X) \\ (W_3^0) \\ (W_4) \\ \vdots \\ W_3 \\ W_4 \\ W_5 \\ W_6 \\ W_7 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} (X_0) & (X_1) & (X_2) & (X_3) & (m_1) & (m_2) & (m_3) \end{matrix} \\
 \left[\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 -I & & & & & & \\
 G_1^0 & -I & & & & & \\
 G_2^1 & & -I & & & & \\
 G_3^2 & & & -I & & & \\
 H_1^0 & & & & J_1^1 & & \\
 H_2^0 & & & & & J_2^2 & \\
 & H_3^1 & & & J_3^1 & & \\
 & H_4^1 & & & & J_4^2 & \\
 & & H_5^2 & & & J_5^2 & \\
 & & H_6^2 & & & & J_6^3 \\
 & & & H_7^3 & & & J_7^3
 \end{array} \right]
 \end{matrix}$$

} Odometry factors
} Observation factors

* Solve the LSA

$$\min_{\delta} \|A\delta - b\|_2^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \delta} \left(\frac{1}{2} (A\delta - b) \cdot A = 0 \right) \Leftrightarrow A\delta = b$$

$$M \times N \quad \begin{matrix} N \\ A \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \delta \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} b \end{matrix}$$

A is not square. It is an overconstrained problem.

$$A\delta = b$$

$$A^T A \delta = A^T b$$

$$\delta = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

Pseudo-inverse. (next lecture more on this)

Algorithm raw SAM:

calculate A, b , around $\{X^0, M^0\} = \theta^0$

$$\delta^* = \operatorname{argmin} \|A\delta - b\|_2^2$$

Update $X^0, M^0, \theta^0 := \theta^0 + \delta^*$

if convergence: return θ