Computer Vision Sheet 07

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1 Kalman Filter Implementation: Consider a 2D signal with acceleration. The state vector includes position, velocity, and acceleration components: $x = [x, y, v_x, v_y, a_x, a_y]^T$.

System Model::

• Time Step: $\Delta t = 0.1$ seconds

• State transition matrix Ψ incorporating acceleration terms:

$$\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \Delta t & 0 & \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta t & 0 & \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Process Noise Covariance (Σ_p) :

Diagonal matrix with process noise parameter sp = 0.001

• Measurement Matrix (Φ) observing only positions:

$$\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Measurement Noise Covariance (Σ_m) :

Diagonal matrix with measurement noise parameter sm = 0.05

1.1 What should be the time evolution equation? Explain each term.

Answer:

The time evolution equation describes how the state vector x evolves over time:

$$x_k = \Psi x_{k-1} + w_k$$

Explanation of Terms:

- x_k : The state vector at time k, which includes position, velocity, and acceleration components $[x, y, v_x, v_y, a_x, a_y]^T$.
- Ψ : The state transition matrix, which propagates the state from time k-1 to k. It incorporates motion equations with acceleration:

$$\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \Delta t & 0 & \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta t & 0 & \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here, Δt is the time step (0.1 seconds).

- w_k : Process noise, assumed to be Gaussian with covariance Σ_p , representing uncertainties in the system dynamics.
- 1.2 What should be the measurement equation? Explain each term.

Answer

The measurement equation relates the observed measurements z_k to the state vector x_k :

$$z_k = \Phi x_k + v_k$$

Explanation of Terms:

- z_k : The observation vector at time k, which includes the noisy 2D position measurements.
- Φ: The measurement matrix, which maps the state vector to the observed space:

$$\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This indicates that only the x and y positions are observed.

- v_k : Measurement noise, assumed to be Gaussian with covariance Σ_m , representing uncertainties in the measurements.
- 1.3 Implement a Kalman filter to track the signal:

Initialize the state vector with $x_0 = [-10, -150, 1, -2, 0, 0]^T$. Implement the prediction step (time update).

Answer:

The Kalman filter algorithm includes two steps:

1. Prediction Step (Time Update):

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

$$P_{k|k-1} = \Psi P_{k-1|k-1} \Psi^T + \Sigma_p$$

2. Correction Step (Measurement Update):

$$K_k = P_{k|k-1} \Phi^T (\Phi P_{k|k-1} \Phi^T + \Sigma_m)^{-1}$$
$$\hat{x}_{k|k} = \hat{x}_{k|k-1} + K_k (z_k - \Phi \hat{x}_{k|k-1})$$
$$P_{k|k} = (I - K_k \Phi) P_{k|k-1}$$

2 Fixed lag smoothed implementation As you can see in the chart, the output of smoothed implementation is closer to observations than Kalman filter's output.

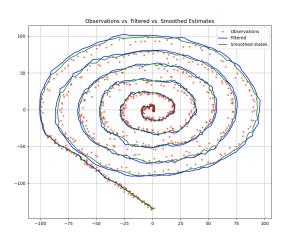


Figure 1: Observations vs. Filtered estimates vs. Smoothed estimates