Lab 2: 1-D Kalman & Bayes Filters

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Abstract—This report details the implementation of two basic state estimation techniques. First, a 1-D Kalman Filter correction step is implemented to track the yaw angle of an IMU. Second, a 1-D Bayes Filter is used to estimate the probability that a car is stopped.

I. Introduction

POR Lab 2, we were provided with data from a BNO055 IMU and NuScence's open source vehicle data. The IMU yaw data was obtained by walking in a relatively rectangular path around the Parsons parking lot. The NuScences dataset includes $[x, y, \theta]$ measurements for different vehicles logged at 0.5 second time steps. x and y represent the vehicle's position and θ represents the vehicles' yaw angle.

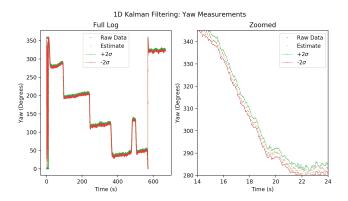


Fig. 1. Yaw measurements showing raw data, estimate, and $\pm 2\sigma$ of the estimate.

II. KALMAN FILTER

First, we filtered raw yaw data to estimate a yaw angle using a 1D KF correction step which we formulate as follows. We skip the prediction step and simply predict that the current state and variance will not change from the previous time step. The correction step is as follows, where \overline{x}_t and $\overline{\sigma}_t^2$ are the predicted state and variance, K_t is the Kalman gain, z_t and σ_z^2 are the measurement and measurement variance, and \hat{x}_t and $\hat{\sigma}_t^2$ are the corrected state and variance:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{x}_t &= \hat{x}_{t-1} \\ \overline{\sigma}_t^2 &= \hat{\sigma}_{t-1}^2 \\ K_t &= \frac{\overline{\sigma}_{t-1}^2}{\overline{\sigma}_{t-1}^2 - \sigma_z^2} \\ \hat{x}_t &= \overline{x}_t + K_t (z_t - \overline{x}_t) \\ \hat{\sigma}_t^2 &= \overline{\sigma}_t^2 + K_t \overline{\sigma}_t^2 \end{aligned}$$

To implement the correction step, we extracted the measurement variance (σ_z^2) using yaw measurements for a stationary

yaw angle. We also used σ_z^2 to initialize our first estimate variance σ_0^2 . For the results of this filter on one dataset, see Fig 1, which shows raw yaw, estimated yaw, and estimated variance.

III. BAYES FILTER

We implemented a Bayes filter that determines the probability that a vehicle i is stopped, given its speed at each time $step(p(x_i = stopped|z_i))$. For the prediction step,we used the following conditional probabilities:

$$\begin{split} p(x_{i,t} = stopped | x_{i,t-1} = stopped) &= 0.6 \\ p(x_{i,t} = notstopped | x_{i,t-1} = stopped) &= 0.4 \\ p(x_{i,t} = stopped | x_{i,t-1} = notstopped) &= 0.25 \\ p(x_{i,t} = notstopped | x_{i,t-1} = notstopped) &= 0.75 \end{split}$$

We use these conditional probabilities to calculate the predicted belief for each state for time step. For simplicity, we use s for stopped and m for moving (not stopped):

$$\overline{bel}(x_{i,t} = s) = p(x_{i,t} = s|x_{i,t-1} = s)bel(x_{i,t-1} = s) + \\ p(x_{i,t} = s|x_{i,t-1} = m)bel(x_{i,t-1} = m) \\ \overline{bel}(x_{i,t} = m) = p(x_{i,t} = m|x_{i,t-1} = s)bel(x_{i,t-1} = s) + \\ p(x_{i,t} = m|x_{i,t-1} = m)bel(x_{t-1} = m)$$

Next, we incorporate the speed measurement z at that time step in our correction step for each car.

$$bel(x_{i,t} = s) = \eta p(z_{i,t}|x_{i,t} = s)\overline{bel}(x_{i,t=s})$$

$$bel(x_{i,t} = m) = \eta p(z_{i,t}|x_{i,t} = m)\overline{bel}(x_{i,t=m})$$

We incorporated the measurements using conditional probabilities $p(z_{i,t}|x_{i,t})$. We used Car 4 to create the PDF for a stopped car because it was stopped the whole time, and

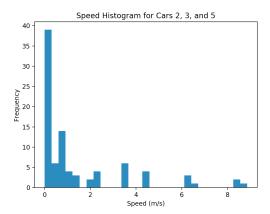


Fig. 2. Histogram of speeds for Cars 2, 3, and 5.

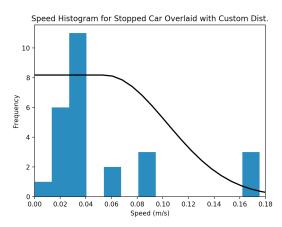


Fig. 3. Speed histogram for Car 4, which was parked the entire time. These data were fit with a custom distribution to make the stopped car model.

we used Car 1 to create the PDF for a moving car because it was moving the whole time. For the stopped car PDF, we combined uniform and half-normal distributions to cover the drop-off in probability as speed increases. For the moving car PDF, we simply fit a normal distribution to Car 1's speed data, which gave a μ of about 8 m/s. This is an approximation that works for our data. It may have been better to use a combination of a uniform and half-normal distribution like we did with the stopped car model. However, the Gaussian fit still works well, because given a measurement of 1 m/s or greater, our models will find that it is much more likely that the car is moving. Our models give us good results, as evidence by Figs 5 and 6.

We see that Car 1 was moving (not stopped) the entire time which matches the video, where it drives ahead of the ego car before exiting the scene. Car 2 is initially stopped as it waits to turn, but then moves until it exits the scene. Car 3 is initially moving towards the ego car, but then stops for Car 2 to turn and then stops again for pedestrians before exiting the scene. Car 4 is parked and stopped the whole time. Car 5 is stopped, moves before it is stopped by pedestrians and then eventually turns.

Based on our filtering, there is a 100% chance that Car 6

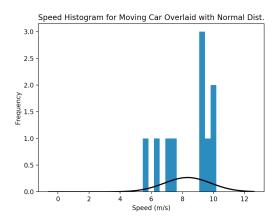


Fig. 4. Speed histogram for Car 1, which was moving the entire time. These data were fit with a normal distribution to make the moving car model.

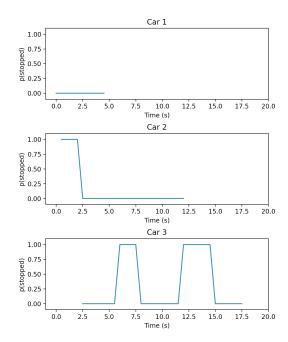


Fig. 5. Probability that Cars 1-3 were stopped, plotted vs. time.

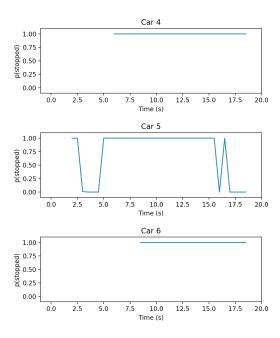


Fig. 6. Probability that Cars 4-6 were stopped, plotted vs. time.

is parked for the entire time. There are many parked cars in the video, so it's useful to note that Car 6 is very close to Car 4 and the ego car at the end of the video. Based on this information, we think that Car 6 is the dark grey mini-SUV parked on the right side of the road soon after the red SUV.

APPENDIX A PYTHON CODE

A. $run_1D_KF_student.m$

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2 Peter Johnson and Pinky King based on code by
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5 Date of Creation: 2/8/20
6 Description:
     1D Kalman Filter implementation to filter logged yaw data from a BNO055 IMU
      This code is for teaching purposes for HMC ENGR205 System Simulation Lab 2
10
11 import csv
12 import time
13 import sys
14 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
15 import numpy as np
16 import math
18
19 def load_data(filename):
      """Load in the yaw data from the csv log
      Parameters:
      filename (str) -- the name of the csv log
      Returns:
      yaw_data (float list) -- the logged yaw data
      11 11 11
      f = open(filename)
29
      file_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
31
      # Load data into dictionary with headers as keys
32
      # Header: Latitude, Longitude, Time Stamp(ms), ...
      # ..., Yaw(degrees), Pitch(degrees), Roll(degrees)
      data = \{\}
      header = next(file_reader, None)
      for h in header:
          data[h] = []
38
      for row in file_reader:
40
          for h, element in zip(header, row):
              data[h].append(float(element))
42
      f.close()
44
      yaw_data = data["Yaw(degrees)"]
      return yaw_data
48
51 def prediction_step(x_t_prev, sigma_sq_t_prev):
      """Compute the prediction of 1D Kalman Filter
52
    Parameters:
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-- the previous state estimate
      x t prev
      sigma_sq_t_prev -- the previous variance estimate
      Returns:
                       -- the predicted state estimate of time t
      x_bar_t
      sigma_sq_bar_t -- the predicted variance estimate of time t
60
62
      x_bar_t = x_t_prev
      sigma_sq_bar_t = sigma_sq_t_prev
64
      return [x_bar_t, sigma_sq_bar_t]
66
68
  def correction_step(x_bar_t, z_t, sigma_sq_bar_t, sigma_sq_z):
69
      """Compute the correction of 1D Kalman Filter
70
      Parameters:
      x bar t
                       -- the predicted state estimate of time t
                       -- the measured state of time t
74
      z t
      sigma_sq_bar_t
                      -- the predicted variance of time t
75
                       -- the variance of sensor measurement
      sigma_z
      Returns:
79
      x_est_t
                       -- the filtered state estimate of time t
      sigma_sq_est_t -- the filtered variance estimate of time t
81
83
      Kt = sigma_sq_bar_t/(sigma_sq_bar_t+sigma_sq_z)
      sigma_sq_est_t = sigma_sq_bar_t - Kt*sigma_sq_bar_t
85
      x_est_t = x_bar_t + Kt*(z_t-x_bar_t)
87
      return [x_est_t, sigma_sq_est_t]
88
90
91
  def wrap_to_360(angle):
      """Wrap angle data to [0, 360]"""
92
      return (angle + 360) % 360
93
94
95
  def plot_yaw(yaw_dict, time_stamps, title=None, xlim=None, ylim=None):
96
      """Plot yaw data"""
      plt.plot(np.asarray(time_stamps),
98
               np.array(yaw_dict["measurements"]),
                ′.′,
100
               markersize=1)
      plt.plot(np.asarray(time_stamps),
102
103
                np.array(yaw_dict["estimates"]),
                ′.′,
104
                markersize=1)
      plt.plot(np.asarray(time_stamps),
106
                np.asarray(yaw_dict["plus_2_stddev"]),
107
                '.-',
108
               markersize=1,
109
                linewidth=0.5)
110
      plt.plot(np.asarray(time_stamps),
               np.asarray(yaw_dict["minus_2_stddev"]),
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markersize=1,
114
                linewidth=0.5)
      plt.legend(["Raw Data", "Estimate", "+2$\sigma$", "-2$\sigma$"])
116
      plt.title(title)
      plt.ylabel("Yaw (Degrees)")
      plt.xlabel("Time (s)")
119
      plt.xlim(xlim)
120
      plt.ylim(ylim)
124 def main():
      """Run a 1D Kalman Filter on logged yaw data from a BNO055 IMU."""
126
      #filepath = ".\"
      filename = "2020-02-08_08_52_01.csv"
128
      #yaw_data = load_data(filepath + filename)
      yaw_data = load_data(filename)
130
131
      """STUDENT CODE START"""
      SENSOR\_MODEL\_VARIANCE = 1.9273
      """STUDENT CODE END"""
134
      # Initialize filter
      yaw_est_t_prev = yaw_data[0]
      var_t_prev = SENSOR_MODEL_VARIANCE
      yaw_dict= {}
139
      yaw_dict["measurements"] = yaw_data
      yaw_dict["estimates"] = []
141
      yaw_dict["plus_2_stddev"] = []
      yaw dict["minus 2 stddev"] = []
143
      time_stamps = []
145
      # Run filter over data
146
      for t, _ in enumerate(yaw_data):
          yaw pred t, var pred t = prediction step(yaw est t prev, var t prev)
148
149
          # To be explicit for teaching purposes, we are getting
150
          # the measurement with index 't' to show how we get a
          # new measurement each time step. To be more pythonic we could
          # replace the '_' above with 'yaw_meas'
153
          yaw_meas = yaw_data[t]
          var_z = SENSOR_MODEL_VARIANCE
156
          yaw_est_t, var_est_t = correction_step(yaw_pred_t,
                                                    vaw meas,
158
                                                    var_pred_t,
                                                    var z)
160
161
          sys.stdout.write("\r Yaw State Estimate: %f
                                                            Yaw Measured: %f \n" % (
162
     yaw_est_t, yaw_meas))
          sys.stdout.flush()
163
          sys.stdout.write("Estimated variance: {0}\n\r".format(var_est_t))
          sys.stdout.flush()
166
167
          # Pause the printouts to simulate the real data rate
168
          dt = 1/13. # seconds
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time_stamps.append(dt*t)
            For clarity sake/teaching purposes, we explicitly update t->(t-1)
          yaw_est_t_prev = yaw_est_t
          var_est_t_prev = var_est_t
          # Pack data away into yaw dictionary for plotting purpose
          plus_2_stddev = wrap_to_360(yaw_est_t + 2*math.sqrt(var_est_t))
          minus_2_stddev = wrap_to_360(yaw_est_t - 2*math.sqrt(var_est_t))
179
          yaw_dict["estimates"].append(yaw_est_t)
180
          yaw_dict["plus_2_stddev"].append(plus_2_stddev)
181
          yaw_dict["minus_2_stddev"].append(minus_2_stddev)
183
      print("\n\nDone filtering...plotting...")
184
185
      # Plot raw data and estimate
      plt.figure(1)
187
      plt.suptitle("1D Kalman Filtering: Yaw Measurements")
188
      plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
      plot_yaw(yaw_dict, time_stamps, title="Full Log")
190
      plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
191
      plot_yaw(yaw_dict,
192
                time_stamps,
                title="Zoomed",
194
                xlim=[14, 24],
                ylim=[280, 345])
      plt.show()
198
      print("Exiting...")
200
      return 0
202
203
204 if __name__ == "__main__":
      main()
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     This code is for teaching purposes for HMC ENGR205 System Simulation Lab 2
 11 11 11
10 import csv
import time
12 import sys
13 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
14 import numpy as np
15 import math
16 from scipy.stats import norm, halfnorm, uniform
17 import scipy.stats
19 #Global Variables
20 #Probability density parameters
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```
STOP_MU = 0
22 STOP STD = 0
23 MOVE MU = 0
_{24} MOVE_STD = 0
26 #Conditional Probabilities
27 \# p(X_t = Stopped | x_t_p = Stopped)
pS_S = 0.6
pS_M = 0.25
pM_S = 0.4
pM_M = 0.75
33 #Offsets for first time index for each car
34 #Starts with car 1, goes up to 6
35 \text{ time\_offsets} = [0, 1, 5, 12, 4, 17]
37 #Time step for nuscene data
38 dt = 0.5
40 def load_data(filename):
      """Load in the data from the csv log
42.
      Parameters:
43
      filename (str) -- the name of the csv log
44
45
      Returns:
      data (float list)
                           -- the logged car data
47
      f = open(filename)
49
      file_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter=',')
51
      # Load data into dictionary with headers as keys
53
      # Header: Latitude, Longitude, Time Stamp(ms), ...
      # ..., Yaw(degrees), Pitch(degrees), Roll(degrees)
55
      data = \{\}
      header = next(file_reader, None)
57
      for h in header:
          data[h] = []
60
      for row in file_reader:
61
          for h, element in zip (header, row):
62
              if element in (None, ""):
                   continue
64
              else:
                   data[h].append(float(element))
      f.close()
68
      # Fixing a glitch in importing the time header
      for key in data:
          if "Time" in key:
71
              data["Time"] = data.pop(key)
              break
75
      # Add Speed data to the Dictionary
      for j in range(1,7): #Loop through i=1 to i=6
          x = []
          y = []
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```
xname = "X_" + str(j)
          yname = "Y" + str(j)
          sname = "S_" + str(j)
          data[sname] = []
          x = data[xname]
          y = data[yname]
          for i in range (len(x)-2):
               data[sname].append(math.sqrt((x[i+1]-x[i])**2 + (y[i+1]-y[i])**2)/dt)
      return data
88
90 def hist_plotter(data, car_num, dt):
      """Takes in speed data and list of car numbers, and makes a histogram
          of all their speeds
92
      speed = []
94
95
      for i in range(len(car_num)):
96
          sname = "S " + str(car num[i])
97
          speed_dat = data[sname]
          for j in range(len(data[sname])):
               speed.append(speed_dat[j])
100
      numbins = int(len(speed)/3)
      plt.hist(speed, bins=numbins)
103
      plt.xlabel("Speed (m/s)")
      plt.ylabel("Frequency")
105
107
      sensor_model_stopped(data, car_num, dt):
      """ Uses car data to create a histogram of vehicle
109
          speed and then creates a pdf for a stopped car
      speed = []
      for i in range(len(car num)):
114
          sname = "S_" + str(car_num[i])
          speed_dat = data[sname]
116
          for j in range(len(data[sname])):
               speed.append(speed_dat[j])
119
      # Plot histogram
120
      numbins = int(len(speed)/2)
      plt.hist(speed, bins=numbins)
      # Fit speeds with a normal distribution
124
      mu, std = norm.fit(speed)
126
      # Make piecewise probability distribution function
      # Uniform distribution between 0 and mu calculated for normal
128
      # dist. After that, just a half norm
      xmin, xmax = plt.xlim()
130
      x = np.linspace(xmin, xmax, len(speed))
      p = []
      for i in range (len(x)):
          if (x[i] < mu):
134
               p.append(norm(mu, std).pdf(mu))
135
          else:
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p.append(norm(mu, std).pdf(x[i]))
138
      plt.plot(x, p, 'k', linewidth=2)
139
      plt.xlim(0,.18)
140
      plt.title("Speed Histogram for Stopped Car Overlaid with Custom Dist.")
      plt.xlabel("Speed (m/s)")
      plt.ylabel("Frequency")
144
      return [mu, std]
146
     sensor_model_moving(data, car_num, dt):
147
          """ Uses car data to create a histogram of vehicle
148
               speed and then create a pdf
               Calculate speed using distance from euclidean change in position
150
               returns the average and standard devation for gaussian fit of data
          11 11 11
          speed = []
154
          for i in range(len(car num)):
               sname = "S " + str(car num[i])
               speed_dat = data[sname]
               for j in range(len(data[sname])):
158
                   speed.append(speed_dat[j])
159
          # Plot histogram
161
          numbins = int(len(speed)/0.3)
          plt.hist(speed, bins=numbins, range=(0,12))
163
          # Fit speeds with a normal distribution
165
          mu, std = norm.fit(speed)
167
          xmin, xmax = plt.xlim()
          x = np.linspace(xmin, xmax, 5*len(speed))
169
          p = norm.pdf(x, mu, std)
170
          plt.plot(x, p, 'k', linewidth=2)
          plt.title("Speed Histogram for Moving Car Overlaid with Normal Dist.")
          plt.xlabel("Speed (m/s)")
174
          plt.ylabel("Frequency")
          return [mu,std]
177
  def p_moving_s(s):
178
      """ Takes in car speed, returns p(s|moving), which is the probability
          that speed measurement is s if the car is moving
180
      pdf_val = norm(MOVE_MU, MOVE_STD).pdf(s)
182
      # cdf integrates over pdf. Put in a high value of 10 to get whole range,
      # then subtract the region less than 0 because those speeds are impossible
184
      cdf_val = halfnorm(MOVE_MU, MOVE_STD).cdf(10)-norm(MOVE_MU, MOVE_STD).cdf(0) #
     normalize with cdf
      prob = pdf_val/cdf_val
      return prob
187
188
189
  def p_stopped_s(s):
      """ Takes in car speed, returns p(s|stopped), which is the probability
190
          that speed measurement is s if the car is stopped
191
192
      # Make piecewise probability distribution function
```

```
# Uniform distribution between 0 and mu calculated for normal
              # dist. After that, just a half norm
195
              if (s < STOP_MU):</pre>
196
                       pdf_val = norm(STOP_MU, STOP_STD).pdf(STOP_MU)
197
              else:
                       pdf_val = norm(STOP_MU, STOP_STD).pdf(s)
199
              # cdf integrates over pdf. Put in a high value of 10 to get whole range,
201
              # then subtract the region less than mu and add in the uniform region
              cdf_val = norm(STOP_MU, STOP_STD).cdf(10) + STOP_MU*norm(STOP_MU, STOP_STD).pdf(
203
            STOP_MU) - norm(STOP_MU, STOP_STD).cdf(STOP_MU)
              prob = pdf_val/cdf_val # normalize with cdf
204
              return prob
206
     def bayes_filter_step(b_x_tp_S, b_x_tp_M, s):
              """ Returns the belief (probability) bel_(x_t) for the moving and stopped
208
                       inputs: the previous belief in stopped and moving state, current speed
210
                       output the predicted beliefs
              11 11 11
              #Prediction Step
              \#bel\_bar(x=S) = p(S|S)*p(S) + p(S|M)*p(M)
214
              bb_x_t = pS_s + pS_m + pS_m + pS_m + pS_m
             bb_x_t = pM_s + pM_t 
              #Correction step
              b_x_t_S = p_stopped_s(s)*bb_x_t_S
2.19
              b_x_t_M = p_moving_s(s)*bb_x_t_M
220
              #Normalize
              norm = b_x_t + b_x_t M
              b_x_t_S = b_x_t_S/norm
             b_x_t_M = b_x_t_M/norm
226
              return [b_x_t_S, b_x_t_M]
228
             plot_bayes(data, time_offset, times):
229 def
              """ Plots the Bayes filter prediction for a given car's data
230
                      vs. time
233
              #Initialize beliefs for each state
234
             bf = []
             b_x_tp_S = 0.5
236
             b_x_tp_M = 0.5
              for i in range(len(data)):
238
                       # Repeatedly calls Bayes filter step, then plots vs. time
                       [b_x_tp_S, b_x_tp_M] = bayes_filter_step(b_x_tp_S, b_x_tp_M, data[i])
240
                       bf.append(b_x_tp_S)
242
              plt.plot(times[time_offset:time_offset+len(data)], bf)
244
    def main():
245
              """Run a 1D Bayes filter on logged movement """
              filename = "E205_Lab2_NuScenesData.csv"
248
              data = load_data(filename)
249
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```
# global variables
      global STOP MU
      global STOP_STD
253
      global MOVE_MU
254
      global MOVE_STD
256
      # Use car 4 data to develop conditional stopped probabilities
257
      \# p(s_i|x_i = stopped)
258
      plt.figure(1)
      [STOP_MU,STOP_STD] = sensor_model_stopped(data, [4], dt)
260
      plt.show()
261
      # Use car 1 to develop our model for a moving car
      \# p(s_i|x_i = moving)
264
      plt.figure(2)
      [MOVE_MU, MOVE_STD] = sensor_model_moving(data, [1], dt)
      plt.show()
268
      # Make histogram for cars 2, 3, 5
269
      plt.figure(4)
      hist_plotter(data, [2,3,5], dt)
      plt.title("Speed Histogram for Cars 2, 3, and 5")
      plt.show()
      # Plot stopped probability for each car vs. time
275
      plt.figure(5)
      times = data["Time"]
      for i in range (1,4):
           sname = "S_" + str(i)
           speeds = data[sname]
           plt.subplot(3, 1, i)
           plt.ylim(-.1,1.1)
283
           plt.xlim(-1,20)
284
          plt.title("Car " + str(i))
           plt.xlabel("Time (s)")
           plt.ylabel("p(stopped)")
           plot_bayes(speeds, time_offsets[i-1], times)
      plt.show()
290
      plt.figure(6)
291
      for i in range (4,7):
292
           sname = "S_" + str(i)
           speeds = data[sname]
294
           plt.subplot(3, 1, i-3)
          plt.ylim(-.1,1.1)
           plt.xlim(-1,20)
           plt.title("Car " + str(i))
298
           plt.xlabel("Time (s)")
           plt.ylabel("p(stopped)")
300
           plot_bayes(speeds, time_offsets[i-1], times)
      plt.show()
302
303
      print("Exiting...")
304
305
      return 0
306
307
```

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309 if __name__ == "__main__":
310 main()
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