

# **EECS 568 Mobile Robotics Exam**

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# 1. Probability and Uncertainty Propagation

## 1.1

For a probability distribution, when encountering a nonlinear function, it should be first linearized. Assume that it is linearized (via Taylor expansion) around point  $\mathbf{a}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}) &\approx f(\mathbf{a}) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{a}} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}) \\ &= \left( f(\mathbf{a}) - \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{a} \right) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{x} \\ &\triangleq \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{F}\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

During which, it is an affine transform and thus we could propagate a Gaussian through an affine map.

When  $x$  is a Gaussian random variable  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$  and  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$ , then the affine transform would be  $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{A}^\top)$ .

## 1.2

Since  $z \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_z, \sigma_z^2)$ , and  $y = az + b$  (Affine transform),  $y \sim \mathcal{N}(A\boldsymbol{\mu} + b, A\boldsymbol{\Sigma}A^\top)$ . For

which  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The noise model for  $y$  is an approximation of the random

distributor.

### 1.3

The model of the measurement is as following:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{z} \begin{bmatrix} f_x & 0 & c_x \\ 0 & f_y & c_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b = AX$$

Thus, the X measurement could be seen as:

$$X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_x, \Sigma_x)$$

Since it is a affine transformation, b could be seen as:

$$b \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu_x, A\Sigma_x A^T)$$

## 2. Probability and Uncertainty Propagation

For the exponential map between  $\mathfrak{so}(3)$ , we could expand a exponential map to a Taylor expansion:

$$\exp(\phi^\wedge) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (\phi^\wedge)^n$$

We could then get the following equation which means that  $\mathfrak{so}(3)$  is the space extended by rotation matrix in  $SO(3)$ :

$$\exp(\theta \mathbf{a}^\wedge) = \cos \theta \mathbf{I} + (1 - \cos \theta) \mathbf{a} \mathbf{a}^T + \sin \theta \mathbf{a}^\wedge$$

And for the exponential map between  $\mathfrak{se}(3)$  and  $SE(3)$ , it would be like:

$$\exp(\xi^\wedge) = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (\phi^\wedge)^n & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (\phi^\wedge)^n \rho \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R & J\rho \\ 0^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$J$  could be gained by  $\phi$ , and  $\rho$  could be gained by linear equation. As in the SLAM problem, since  $z = Tp + w$  ( $w$  is the noise),  $e = z - Tp$ . We could solve and minimize the following equation:

$$\min_T J(T) = \sum_{i=1}^N \|z_i - Tp_i\|_2^2$$

Assume a point  $p$  is transformed by  $T(\xi \text{ for lie algebra})$ .  $\Delta T = \exp(\delta \xi^\wedge)$ , we then take derivative of it.

$$\frac{\partial(Tp)}{\partial \delta \xi} = \lim_{\delta \xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\exp(\delta \xi^\wedge) \exp(\xi^\wedge) p - \exp(\xi^\wedge) p}{\delta \xi} = \lim_{\delta \xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta \xi^\wedge \exp(\xi^\wedge) p}{\delta \xi} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -(\mathbf{R}p + \mathbf{t})^\wedge \\ 0^T & 0^T \end{bmatrix}$$

### 3. Normal Random Variables

1. F
2. T
3. F
4. F

### 4. Estimation and Mapping

1. F
2. T
3. F
4. T
5. T
6. T

### 5. Bayes Filter

The evidence (Marginal Likelihood) is as following:

$$\Sigma P = 0.7 * 0.3 + 0.25 * 0.6 + 0.05 * 0.1 = 0.365$$

Thus, the posterior probability of getting A, B, and C is:

$$P(A | z, A_{prev}) = \frac{0.7 * 0.3}{\Sigma P} = \frac{0.21}{0.365} = 0.575$$

$$P(B | z, B_{prev}) = \frac{0.25 * 0.6}{\Sigma P} = \frac{0.15}{0.365} = 0.411$$

$$P(C | z, C_{prev}) = \frac{0.05 * 0.1}{\Sigma P} = \frac{0.005}{0.365} = 0.013$$

\*\* PS: 57.5% for getting A, Hooray \*\*

## 6. Cholesky Decomposition

Decomposing 2x2 matrix would be like  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab \\ ab & b^2 + c^2 \end{bmatrix}$

1. Cholesky,  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab \\ ab & b^2 + c^2 \end{bmatrix}$ , Thus  $L = \begin{bmatrix} 2\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{4} & \frac{\sqrt{46}}{4} \end{bmatrix}$

2. Not Cholesky. It is not positive definite matrix.

3. Cholesky.  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 \\ -4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab \\ ab & b^2 + c^2 \end{bmatrix}$ , Thus  $L = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ \frac{-4}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{\sqrt{38}}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

4. Not Cholesky. It is not symmetric.

## 7. Graph SLAM

2.

	$x_i$	$m_1$	$m_2$
$x_1$	✓	✓	✓
$m_1$	✓	✓	✓
$m_2$	✓	✓	✓

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$m_1$	$m_2$	$m_3$
$x_1$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$x_2$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_1$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_2$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_3$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

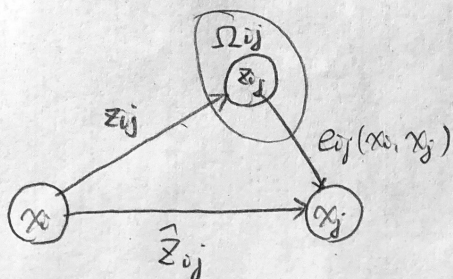
	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$m_1$	$m_2$	$m_3$	$m_4$
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$x_2$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$x_3$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_1$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_2$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_3$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_4$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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$x_1$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$x_2$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$x_3$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$x_4$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_1$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_2$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_3$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$m_4$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

$$A_{ij} = \frac{\partial e_{ij}(x)}{\partial x_i}$$

$$e_{ij}(x_i, x_j) = [z_{ij} - \bar{z}_{ij}(x_i, x_j)]$$

$$B_{ij} = \frac{\partial e_{ij}(x)}{\partial x_j}$$



## 8. Target Tracking

### 8.1

8.1

STEP 1:

$$K_1 = (\Sigma_0 C_k^T) [C_k \Sigma_0 C_k^T + Q_k]^{-1} = 9 \times (1 \times 9 + 1)^{-1} = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\mu_1 = (A \mu_0) + A \cdot (\Sigma_0 C_k^T) (C_k \Sigma_0 C_k^T + Q_k)^{-1} (z_1 - C_k \mu_0) = 20 + \frac{9}{10} (22 - 20) = 21.8$$

$$\Sigma_1 = A_k [\Sigma_0 - K_k C_k \Sigma_0] A_k^T + G_k R_k G_k^T = (9 - \frac{9}{10} \times 9) + 4 = 12.1$$

$$+ 9 \times (1 - \frac{9}{10})$$

STEP 2:

$$\mu_2 = A \mu_1 + A K_2 (z_2 - C_k \mu_1) = 21.8 + 0.92 (23 - 21.8) = 22.904$$

$$\Sigma_2 = A_k [\Sigma_1 - K_2 C_k \Sigma_1] A_k^T + G_k R_k G_k^T = (12.1 - 0.92 \times 12.1) + 4 = 5.132$$

$$K_2 = \Sigma_1 \times (\Sigma_1 + 1)^{-1} = 12.1 \times (12.1 + 1)^{-1} = 0.92$$

### 8.2

8.2.  $R = L L^T$  noise  $L \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $Ax = b$ ,  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} L & L^T \\ L_2 & L_2^T \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $R = \begin{bmatrix} L_2 & L_2^T \end{bmatrix}$

Motion Model

$$A_k = \begin{bmatrix} A_{k-1} \\ F^T L_u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{k-1} \\ F^T L_u \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b_k = \begin{bmatrix} b_{k-1} \\ G^T L_u \end{bmatrix}$$

Measurement Model

$$A_k = \begin{bmatrix} A_{k-1} \\ H^T L_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b_k = \begin{bmatrix} b_{k-1} \\ z^T L_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$\hat{x} = A \setminus b$

### 8.3

For least square estimator of the target trajectory, since it is doing "smoothing", for which the new information is added to the matrix A and b incrementally. Least square recalculates per step for the whole matrix and the propagation which contains the whole history of the  $Ax = b$  motion. As for Kalman Filter, since it is doing "filtering", it based on only current state and measurement to propagate.



## 9. Rigid Body Transformation

### 9.1

	Equation	Example	Errors	Note
Left Invariant EKF	$Y = X_t b + V$	GPS	$\eta_t^R = \bar{X}_t X_t^{-1} = (\bar{X}_t L)(X_t L)^{-1}$	
Right Invariant EKF	$Y = X_t^{-1} b + V$	Forward Kinematics Landmark	$\eta_t^L = X_t^{-1} \bar{X}_t = (L \bar{X}_t)^{-1} (L X_t)$	Things that are relative

### 9.2

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad R \in SO(3) & \quad \mathfrak{so}(3) = \left\{ \phi \in \mathbb{R}^3, \phi^\wedge = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\phi_3 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 & 0 & -\phi_1 \\ -\phi_2 & \phi_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \right\} \\ SE(3) & \quad \mathfrak{se}(3) = \left\{ \xi = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ \phi \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^6, p \in \mathbb{R}^3, \phi \in \mathfrak{so}(3), \xi^\wedge = \begin{bmatrix} \phi^\wedge & p \\ 0^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

There are six variables in  $\xi$ . Three of them are  $\mathfrak{so}(3)$  for the rotation degree of freedom and three of them are for translation. As for  $\phi$ , there're only three variables for the rotational degree of freedom.

### 9.3

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad X_t & \in SE(3) \\ \frac{dX_t}{dt} &= X_t \hat{u}_t, \quad u_t = \text{vec}(\underbrace{\omega_t}_{\text{angular velocity}}, \underbrace{v_t}_{\text{linear velocity}}) \in \mathbb{R}^6 \\ f_{u_t}(X_t) &= X_t \hat{u}_t \\ \text{error dynamics:} & \\ \frac{d}{dt} \eta_t^r &= g_{u_t}(\eta^r) = f_{u_t}(\eta^r) - \eta^r f_{u_t}(I) = \eta^r \hat{u}_t - \eta^r \hat{u}_t = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \xi_t^r &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_t &= \begin{bmatrix} R_k & p_k \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \in SE(3) \\ \bar{X}_{k+1} &= \bar{X}_k e^{\hat{u}_k} \\ \Phi &= e^{(A_k^T \Delta t)} \\ P_{k+1} &= \Phi P_k \Phi^T + A_{d\bar{X}_k} Q_d A_{d\bar{X}_k}^T \\ P_{k+1} &= P_k + A_{d\bar{X}_k} Q_d A_{d\bar{X}_k}^T \\ Q &\approx \Phi Q_t \Phi^T \Delta t = Q_t \Delta t \end{aligned}$$

## 9.4

$Y = RX + t$  is the transformed points.

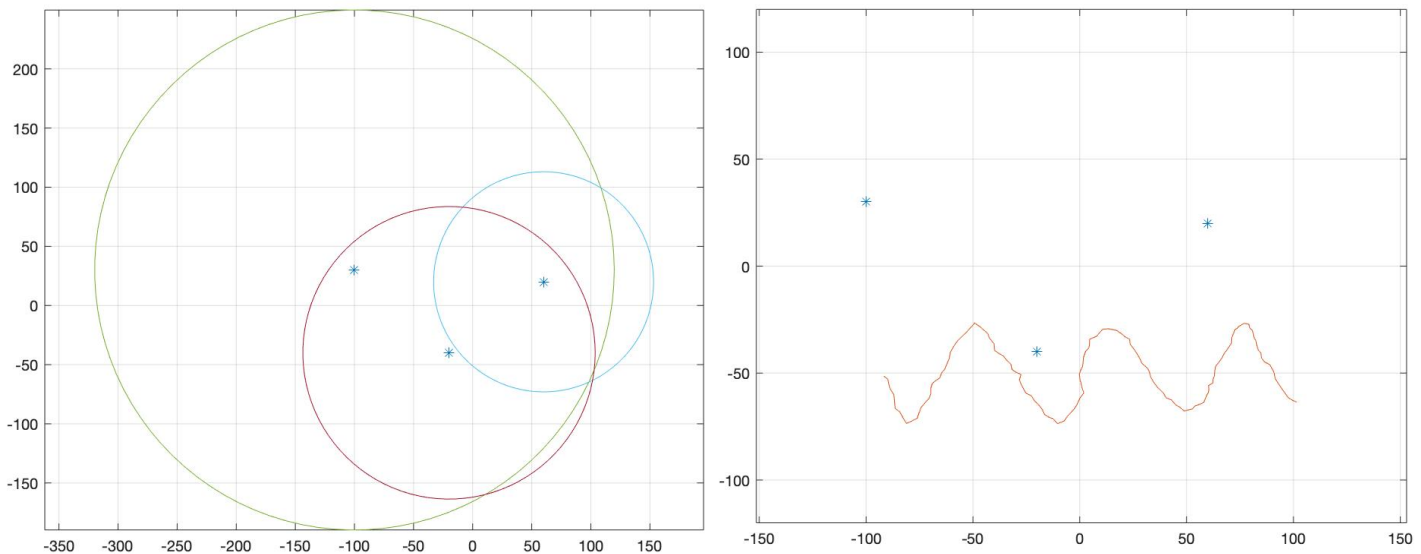
$X = R^T(Y - t) = R^TY - R^Tt$  (Rotation matrix fulfills that  $RR^T = I$ )

Since rotation matrix is  $R^T$  and the inverse translation is  $-R^Tt$

Thus,  $T^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} R^T & -R^Tt \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

## 10. Rigid Body Transformation

Process model: Random Walk. The point of three circles are the initial point.



The right plot indicates the path of the robot.