



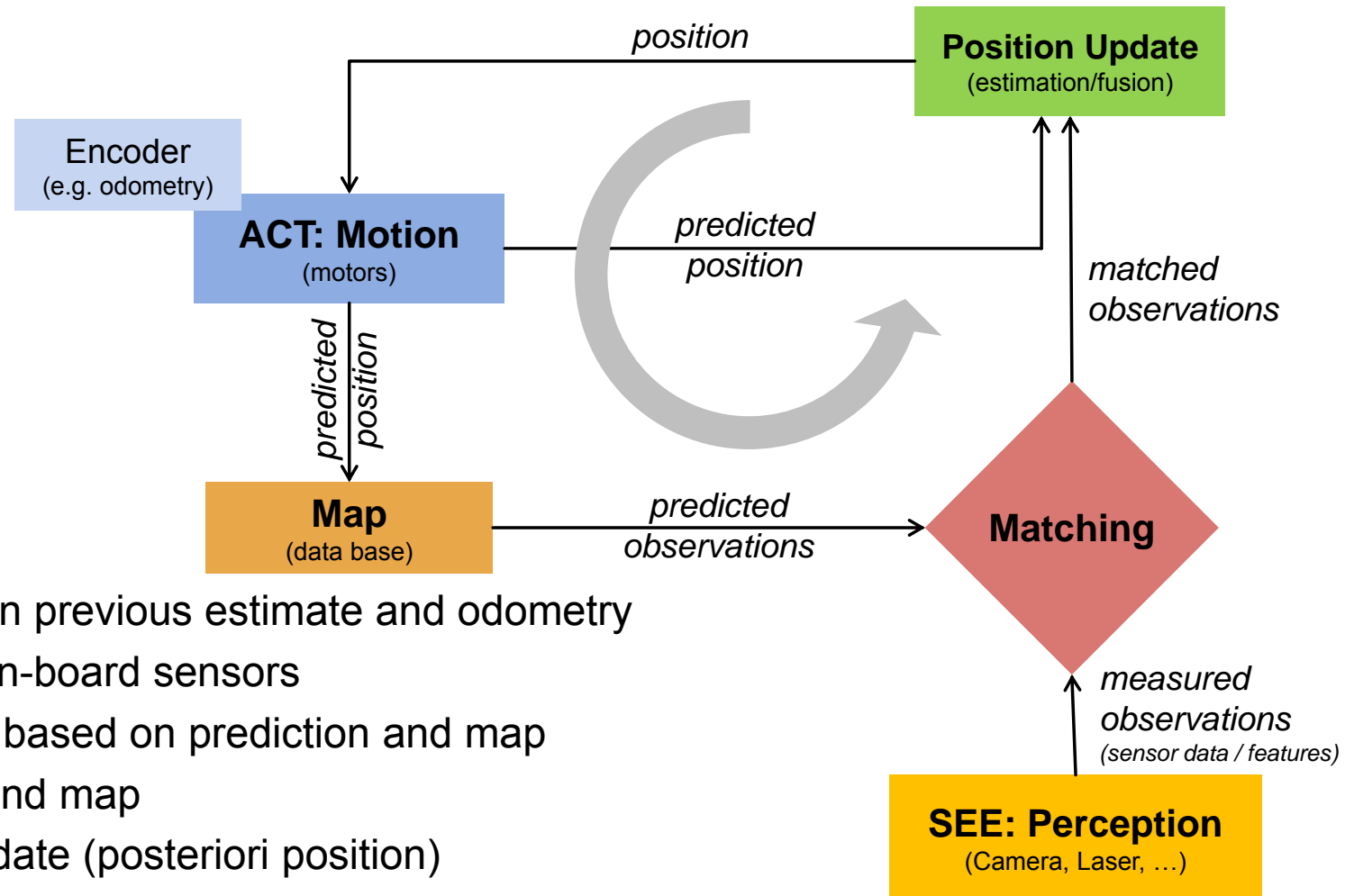
Localization | the Kalman Filter Approach

Autonomous Mobile Robots

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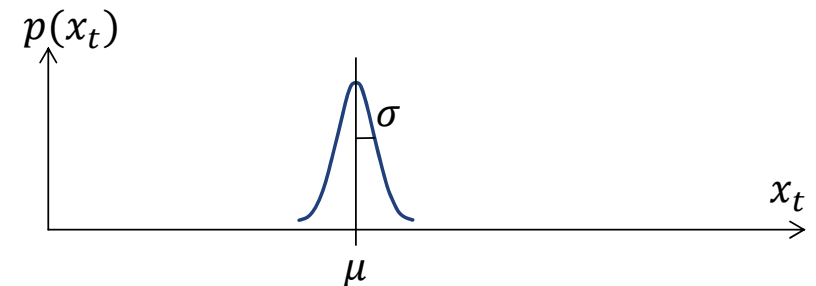
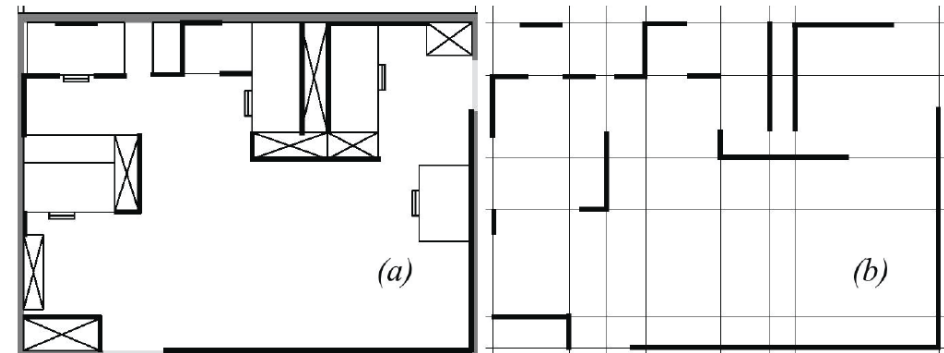
Kalman Filter Localization | applying probability theory to localization



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Kalman Filter Localization | Basics and assumption

- Continuous pose representation x_t
- Kalman Filter Assumptions:
 - Error approximation with normal distribution: $x = N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ (Gaussian model)
 - Output y_t distribution is a linear (or linearized) function of the input distribution: $y = Ax_1 + Bx_2$
- Kalman filter localization tracks the robot's belief state $p(x_t)$ typically as a single hypothesis with normal distribution.
- Kalman localization thus addresses the *position tracking problem*, but **not** the *global localization* or the *kidnapped robot problem*.



Kalman Filter Localization | prediction (odometry) - ACT

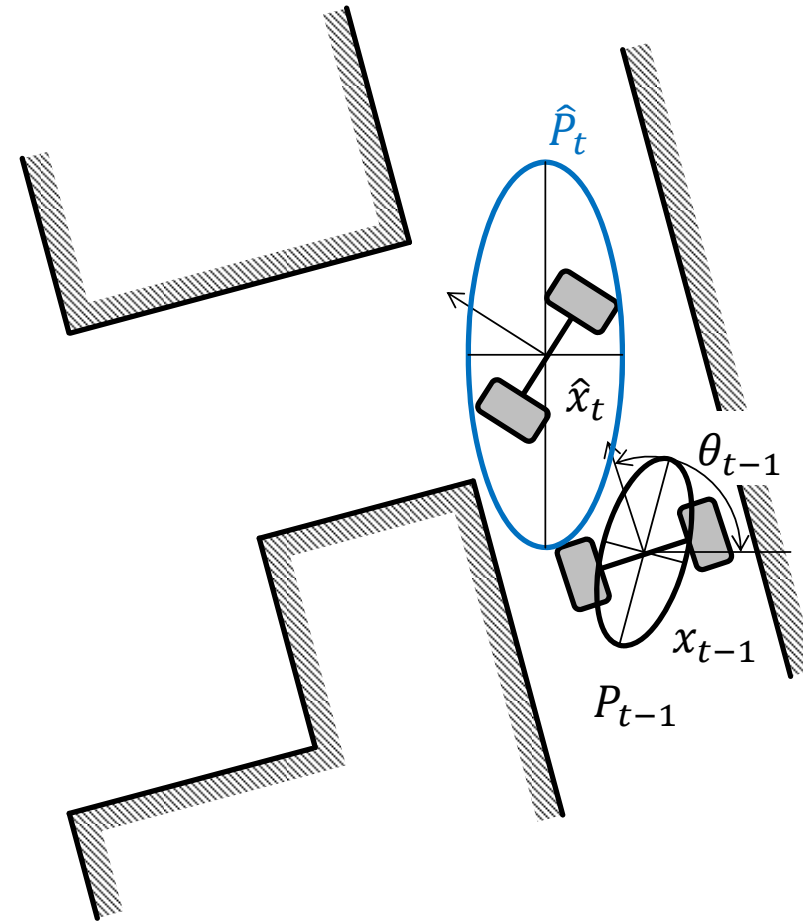
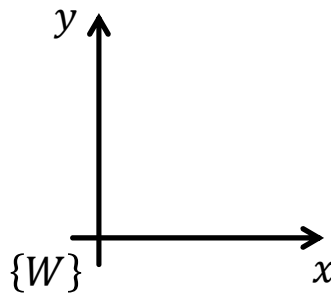
$$\hat{x}_t = f(x_{t-1}, u_t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_{t-1} \\ y_{t-1} \\ \theta_{t-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\Delta s_r + \Delta s_l}{2} \cos \left(\theta + \frac{\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l}{2b} \right) \\ \frac{\Delta s_r + \Delta s_l}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l}{2b} \\ \frac{\Delta s_r - \Delta s_l}{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

motion model

$$\hat{P}_t = F_x P_{t-1} F_x^T + F_u Q_t F_u^T$$

$$Q_t = \begin{bmatrix} k_r |\Delta s_r| & 0 \\ 0 & k_r |\Delta s_l| \end{bmatrix}$$

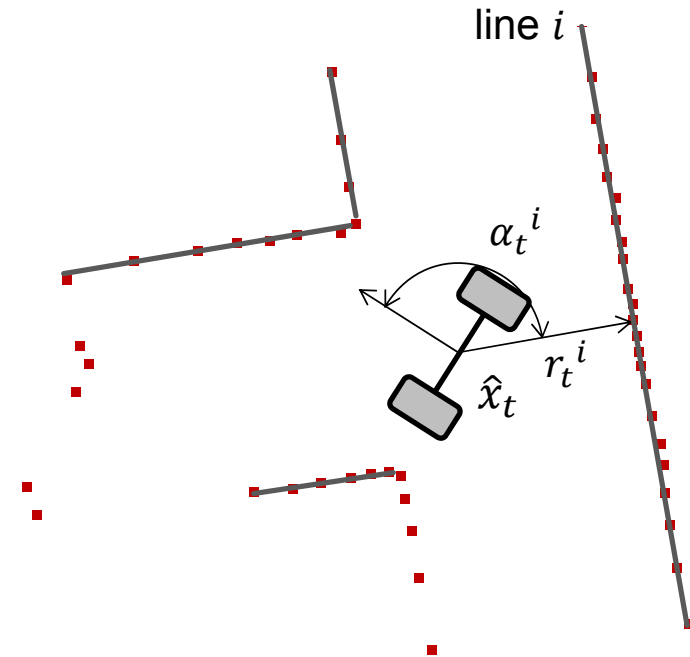
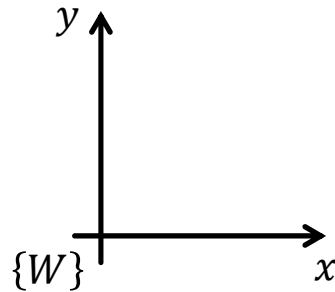
$F_x = \nabla_x f$ and $F_u = \nabla_u f$ represent the Jacobians of the function f with respect to x_t and u_t



Kalman Filter Localization | observation - SEE

$$z_t^i = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_t^i \\ r_t^i \end{bmatrix}$$

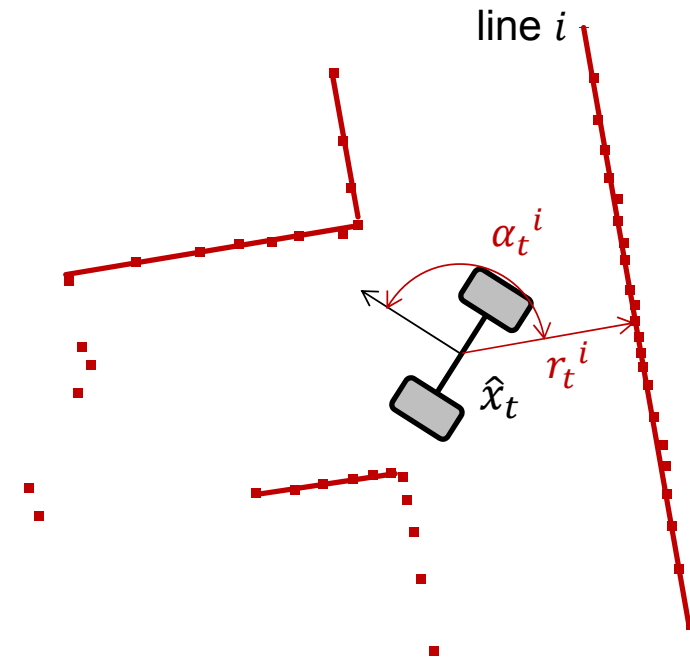
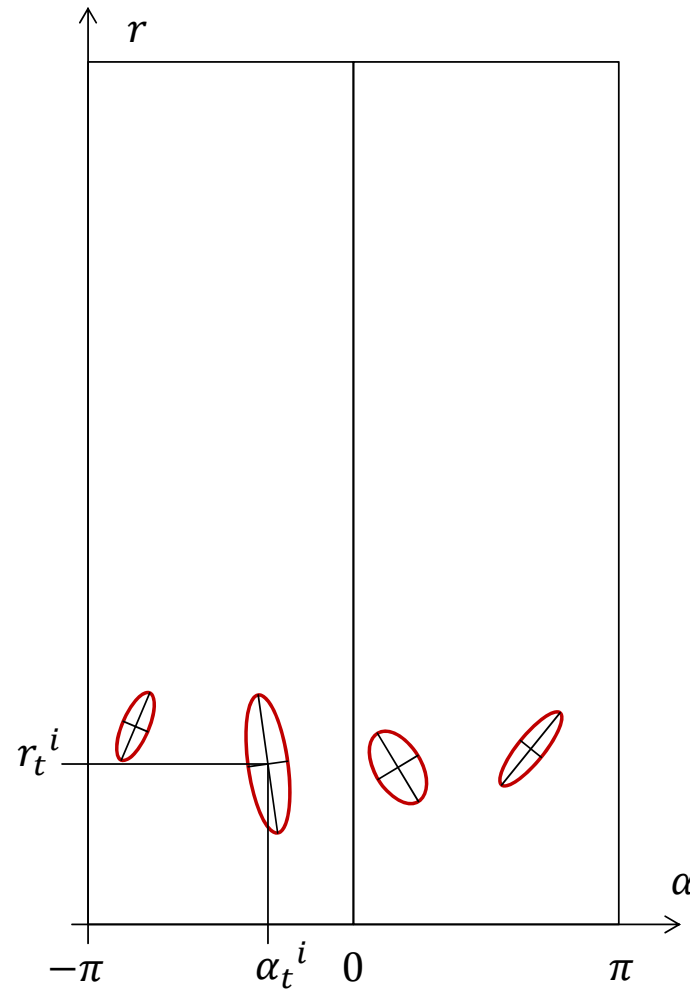
$$R_t^i = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\alpha\alpha} & \sigma_{\alpha r} \\ \sigma_{r\alpha} & \sigma_{rr} \end{bmatrix}_t^i$$



Kalman Filter Localization | observations in sensor model space

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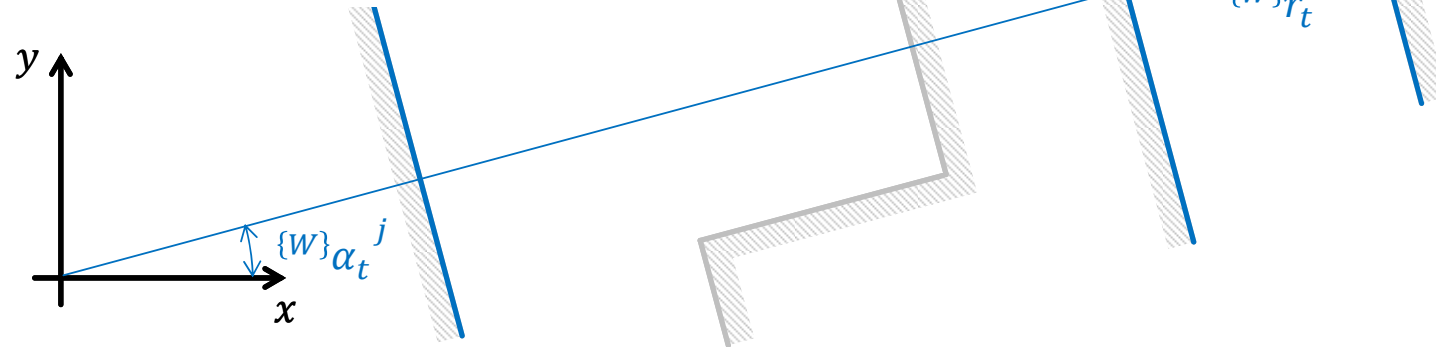
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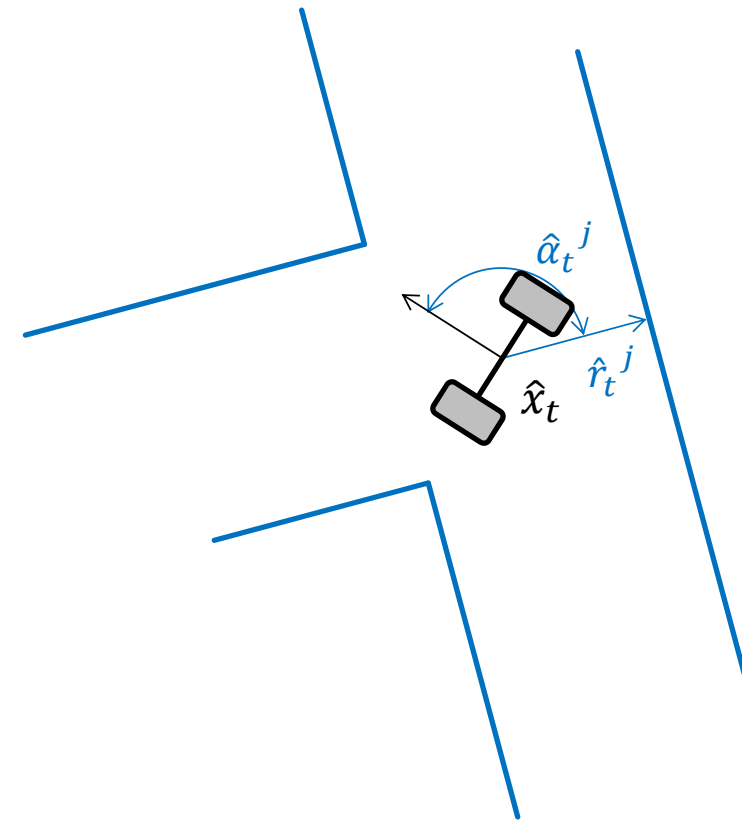
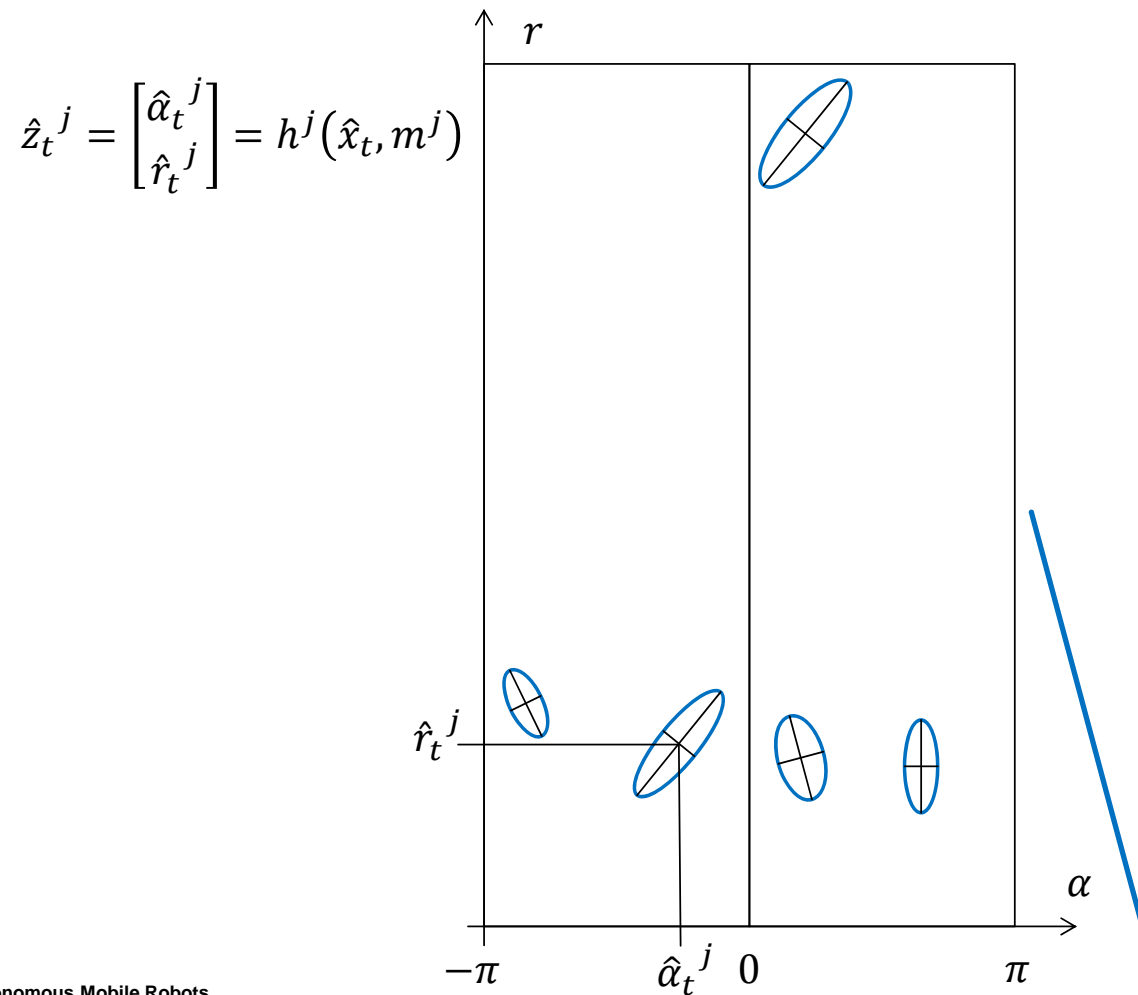
Kalman Filter Localization | measurement prediction

$$\hat{z}_t^j = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\alpha}_t^j \\ \hat{r}_t^j \end{bmatrix} = h^j(\hat{x}_t, m^j) = \begin{bmatrix} \{w\}\alpha_t^j - \hat{\theta}_t \\ \{w\}r_t^j - (\hat{x}_t \cos(\{w\}\alpha_t^j) + \hat{y}_t \sin(\{w\}\alpha_t^j)) \end{bmatrix}$$

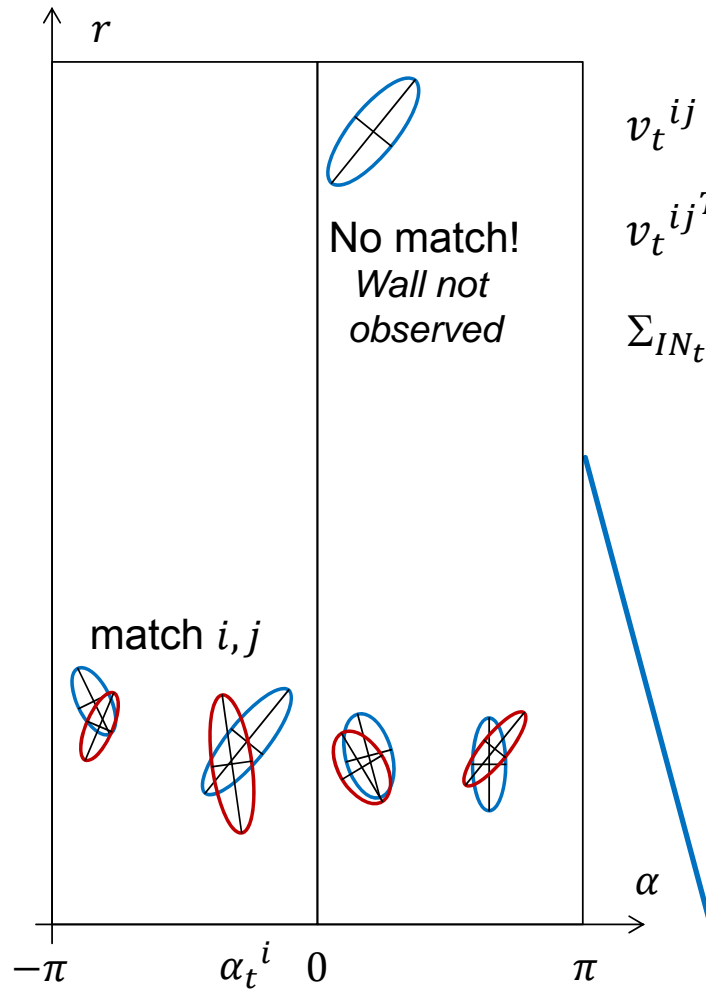
$$H^j = \nabla h^j = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \alpha_t^j}{\partial \hat{x}} & \frac{\partial \alpha_t^j}{\partial \hat{y}} & \frac{\partial \alpha_t^j}{\partial \hat{\theta}} \\ \frac{\partial r_t^j}{\partial \hat{x}} & \frac{\partial r_t^j}{\partial \hat{y}} & \frac{\partial r_t^j}{\partial \hat{\theta}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -\cos(\{w\}\alpha_t^j) & -\sin(\{w\}\alpha_t^j) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Kalman Filter Localization | measurement prediction in model space



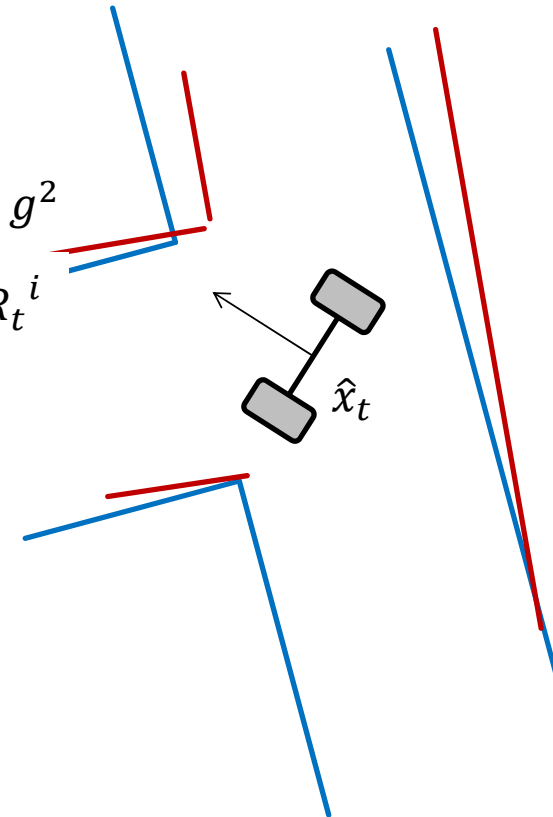
Kalman Filter Localization | matching in sensor model space



$$v_t^{ij} = [z_t^i - \hat{z}_t^j]$$

$$v_t^{ijT} \cdot (\Sigma_{IN_t}^{ij})^{-1} \cdot v_t^{ij} \leq g^2$$

$$\Sigma_{IN_t}^{ij} = H^j \cdot \hat{P}_t \cdot H^{jT} + R_t^i$$



Kalman Filter Localization | estimation

- For each found match we can now estimate an position update:

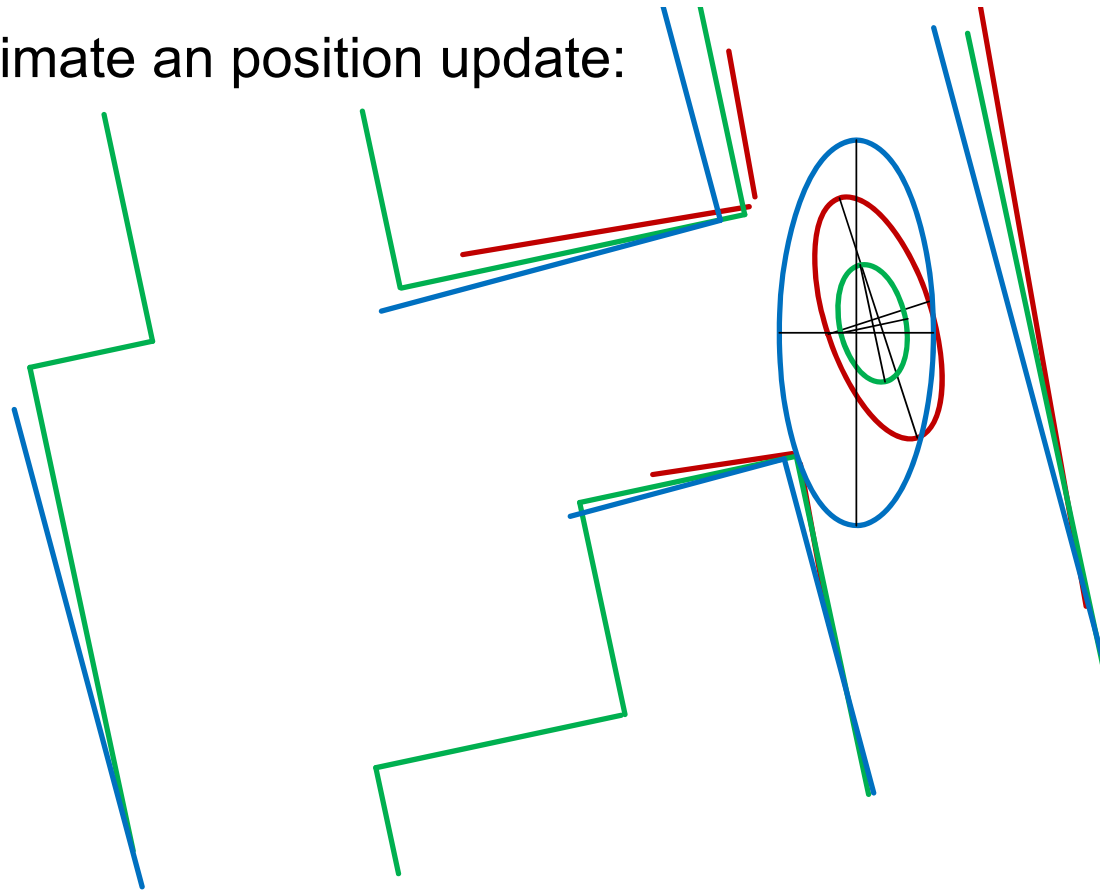
$$x_t = \hat{x}_t + K_t v_t$$

- where $K_t = \hat{P}_t H_t^T (\Sigma_{IN_t})^{-1}$

is the Kalman gain

- and the corresponding position covariance P_t :

$$P_t = \hat{P}_t - K_t \Sigma_{IN_t} K_t^T$$



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