

# Filtering Methods for Localization

## Part 1 : Bayes Filter

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# Probability Backgrounds

- Product Rule (Factorization)

$$P(X, Z) = P(X) \cdot P(Z|X)$$

- Sum Rule (Marginalization)

$$P(X) = \sum_i P(X, Y = y_i) = \sum_i P(X|Y = y_i)P(Y = y_i)$$

- Bayes Rule

$$P(X|Z) = \frac{P(X, Z)}{P(Z)} = \frac{P(X)P(Z|X)}{P(Z)}$$

## Bayes Rule | Normalization trick

- Sometimes, the Bayes rule is given by

$$P(X|Z) = \frac{P(X, Z)}{P(Z)} = \frac{P(X)P(Z|X)}{P(Z)} = \frac{1}{\eta} \cdot P(X)P(Z|X)$$

- This trick is useful in implementation.

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$$\bar{P}(X = x_i|Z) = P(X = x_i)P(Z|X = x_i)$$

$$\eta = \sum_i \bar{P}(X = x_i|Z)$$

$$P(X = x_i|Z) = \frac{1}{\eta} \cdot \bar{P}(X = x_i|Z)$$

- Both equations are doing the same thing!

- Prediction:

$$P(X_t|u_t) = \int P(X_t|X_{t-1}, u_t) \cdot P(X_{t-1}|z_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) \cdot dX_{t-1}$$

- Update:

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### Motion model

$$P(X_t|X_{t-1}, u_t)$$

### Observation model

$$P(z_t|X_t)$$



# Filtering Methods for Localization

## Part 2 : Particle Filter

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# Motivation

## Bayes Filter - 3 pieces

- Prediction by motion model

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{u}_t) = \int \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{X}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_t) \cdot \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_{t-1} | \mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1}) \cdot dX_{t-1}$$

- Update by observation model

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## Particle Filter

- **Target distribution:** approximated by samples/particles
- **Motion model:**
- **Observation model:**

# Particles

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- Some examples of particles

$$< (x_1, y_1), w_1 > : < (1.2, 1.7), 0.050 >$$

$$< (x_2, y_2), w_2 > : < (3.9, 5.8), 0.025 >$$

$$< (x_3, y_3), w_3 > : < (7.1, 3.7), 0.800 >$$

$$< (x_4, y_4), w_4 > : < (1.3, 9.3), 0.025 >$$

$$< (x_5, y_5), w_5 > : < (2.5, 0.1), 0.100 >$$

Here,  $(x_i, y_i)$  is randomly sampled from  $X = (x, y)$ . The weights satisfy  $w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_4 + w_5 = 1$ .

# Particle Filter

## Bayes Filter - 3 pieces

- Prediction by motion model

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- Update by observation model

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## Particle Filter

- Approximate state with particles
- Prediction: sample motion model
- Update: update weight with Bayes rule

# Prediction by motion model

## Prediction

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- Robot state  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_{t-1}|\mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1})$  is represented by particles

$$< \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[1]}, w_{t-1}^{[1]} >, < \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[2]}, w_{t-1}^{[2]} >, \dots, < \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[N]}, w_{t-1}^{[N]} >$$

- The sample for state  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{u}_t)$  is obtained by sampling

$$\mathbf{x}_t^{[i]} \leftarrow \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[i]}, \mathbf{u}_t) \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

- The set of particles obtained for  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t|\mathbf{u}_t)$  are

$$< \mathbf{x}_t^{[1]}, w_{t-1}^{[1]} >, < \mathbf{x}_t^{[2]}, w_{t-1}^{[2]} >, \dots, < \mathbf{x}_t^{[N]}, w_{t-1}^{[N]} >$$

# Update by observation model

## Update

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{z}_t, \mathbf{u}_t) = \frac{1}{\eta} \cdot \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{X}_t) \cdot \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{u}_t)$$

- The set of particles obtained for  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_t | \mathbf{u}_t)$  are

$$\langle x_t^{[1]}, w_{t-1}^{[1]} \rangle, \langle x_t^{[2]}, w_{t-1}^{[2]} \rangle, \dots, \langle x_t^{[N]}, w_{t-1}^{[N]} \rangle$$

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$$\langle x_t^{[1]}, w_t^{[1]} \rangle, \langle x_t^{[2]}, w_t^{[2]} \rangle, \dots, \langle x_t^{[N]}, w_t^{[N]} \rangle$$

where new weights  $w_t^{[i]}$  are computed by Bayes rule

$$\mathbf{w}_t^{[i]} = \frac{\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_t^{[i]}) \cdot w_{t-1}^{[i]}}{\sum_i \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_t^{[i]}) \cdot w_{t-1}^{[i]}} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

# Assignment 1 - part2 : particle filter

- **Particles**

- Each particles is described by

$$< (x, y, \theta), \text{ weight} >$$

where  $(x, y, \theta)$  is a sample from the robot state  $(X, Y, \Theta)$ , and *weight* is its weight.

- In the template code, a particle is a structure given by

```
struct Particle{  
    double x;           // x coordinate  
    double y;           // y coordinate  
    double o;           // orientation, yaw angle  
double weight; // weight  
};
```



# Assignment 1 - part2 : particle filter

- **Motion model**  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_{t+1} | \mathbf{x}_t^{[i]}, \mathbf{u}_t)$

- Differential drive robot

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + (d + w_d) \cos(\theta_t)$$

$$y_{t+1} = y_t + (d + w_d) \sin(\theta_t)$$

$$\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t + (\Delta\theta + w_\theta)$$

- $w_d$  is the distance noise and  $w_\theta$  is orientation noise.

$$w_d \sim N(0, \delta_d^2), \quad w_\theta \sim N(0, \delta_\theta^2)$$

- **Sampling:** Given samples of state  $(x_t, y_t, \theta_t)$ , and control data  $(d, \Delta\theta)$ , sample Gaussian distribution  $w_d, w_\theta$  to obtain samples for state  $(x_{t+1}, y_{t+1}, \theta_{t+1})$ .
- Weight domain remains unchanged.

# Assignment 1 - part2 : particle filter

- **Observation model**  $P(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_t^{[i]})$

- Observation model

$$P(z_i | x_i) = P(z_i | \hat{z}_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_z^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(\hat{z}_i - z_i)^2}{2\sigma_z^2}\right\} \quad (1)$$

- where  $z_i$  is the real measurement,  $\hat{z}_i$  is the *predicted* measurement based on the location of the robot and our map.
- Gaussian measurement noise:  $\sigma_z^2$  is the variance.
- **Bayes Update:** For each particle  $\langle (x_i, y_i, \theta_i), \text{weight}_i \rangle$ , update its weight by

$$\text{weight}_i \leftarrow \frac{\text{weight}_i * P(z_i | x_i)}{\sum_i \text{weight}_i * P(z_i | x_i)}$$

- State domain remains unchanged.

# Assignment 1 - part2 : particle filter

- **Initialization**

- The initial guess for Bayes filter
  - **uniform distribution**
- The initial guess for particle filter
  - **uniformly distributed samples**
- Why uniform distribution/samples?

# Assignment 1 - part2 : particle filter

- **Calculate estimate**

- State of the particle with the largest weight
- Weighted average of all particles' states

$$Estimate = \sum_i state_i * weight_i$$

where  $state_i$  and  $weight_i$  are state and weight of particle  $i$  respectively.

- How to average an angle? What's the average of 0 and  $2\pi$ ?

$$\bar{\theta} = \text{atan2}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \sin(\theta_i)}{n}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \cos(\theta_i)}{n}\right)$$

# Template Code — Particle filter

```
/** main process function for localization */
void PFLocalization::process() {
    ... ..

    if ( (robot_odom_[0] != 0.0 || robot_odom_[1] != 0.0) ) {
        ROS_INFO("Robot odom: distance=%f and orientation=%f", robot_odom_[0],
            motion( robot_odom_[0], robot_odom_[1] ));

        ///! add update code block here
        ///! Notice:
        ///!     1. what is the likelihood
        ///!     2. how to update previous belief
        ///!     3. how to do normalization of updated belief

        calc_estimate();
        if ( step_count_ == 5 ) {
            resampling();
            step_count_ = 0;
        }
        step_count_ ++;
    }

    ... ..
}
```

# Template Code — Initialization

```
/** particle filter init */  
void PFLocalization::init_particles() {  
    particles_.resize( n_particles_ );  
    //! add particles initialization code here  
    //! Notice:  
    //!     1. x, y range  
    //!     2. orientation range  
    //!     3. weight  
  
}
```

# Template Code — Observation

```
/** sense function */
double PFLocalization::sense(double sigma, double x, double y, double theta) {
double error = 1.0;
... ..

for ( int i = 0; i < (int)scan_data_.size(); ++ i ) {
... ..

    /** raydist is the scan data given particle's pose
    /** scan_data_[i] is the actually sensor data
    raydist = sqrt((obspt.x-stpt.x)/100.0*(obspt.x-stpt.x)/100.0+
                  (obspt.y-stpt.y)/100.0*(obspt.y-stpt.y)/100.0);
    /** compute the likelihood of each beam
    /** put your code here

}
/** return the final error
/** Notice:
/**      1. how to combine the likelihood of each beam together

return error;
}
```

# Template Code — Motion

```
/** motion function */
void PFLocalization::motion(double dist, double ori) {
    // check dist negativity
    if ( dist < 0 ) {
        cout << "ERROR: distance < 0\n";
        exit(-1);
    }

    for ( int i = 0; i < (int)particles_.size(); ++ i ) {
        //! add noise to motion
        //! put your code here
        //! Notice:
        //!     1. sampling distribution
        //!     2. range of updated orientation

    }
}
```



# Template Code — Calculate estimate

```
/** calculate estimate robot pose */
void PFLocalization::calc_estimate() {
    // reset estimated pose
    esti_pos_[0] = 0.0;
    esti_pos_[1] = 0.0;
    esti_pos_[2] = 0.0;

    //! compute estimate pose
    //! put your code here
    //! Notice:
    //!     1. average, how?
    //!     2. again, range of x, y, orientation

    //! uncomment the following line if you want to see the estimated pose
    //     cout << "Estimated pose: " << esti_pos_[0] << ", " << esti_pos_[1] <<
}
```

# Template Code — Variables

```
vector<double> scan_data_; // laser scan data array, beam number is 5
double dist_noise_; // sigma value of gaussian distribution of distance
double ori_noise_; // sigma value of gaussian distribution of orientation

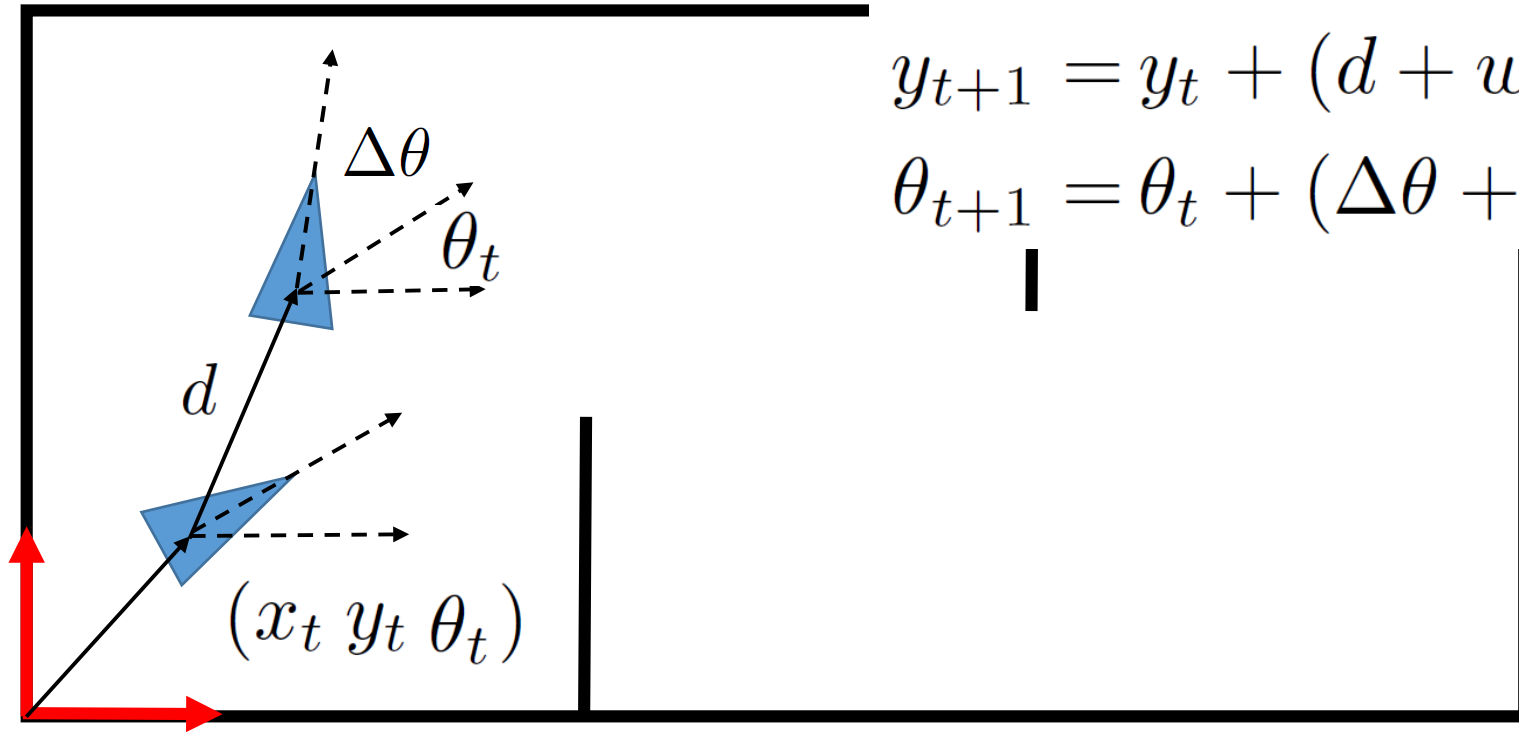
// particles
int n_particles_; // number of particles, set to be 1000
vector<Particle> particles_; // array of particles

double esti_pos_[3]; // estimated pose of the robot using particles
```

# How to Compile and Run — Particle Filter

- Download zip package, extract the file into  
`/home/vmuser/catkin_ws/src/`
- Execute the following command sequence to compile
  - `cd ~/catkin_ws`
  - `catkin_make`
  - `source devel/setup.bash`
- Run the code using launch file
  - `source devel/setup.bash`
  - `chmod +x src/pf_localization/src/scripts/map_frame.py`
  - `roslaunch pf_localization pf_localization.launch`

# Motion Model

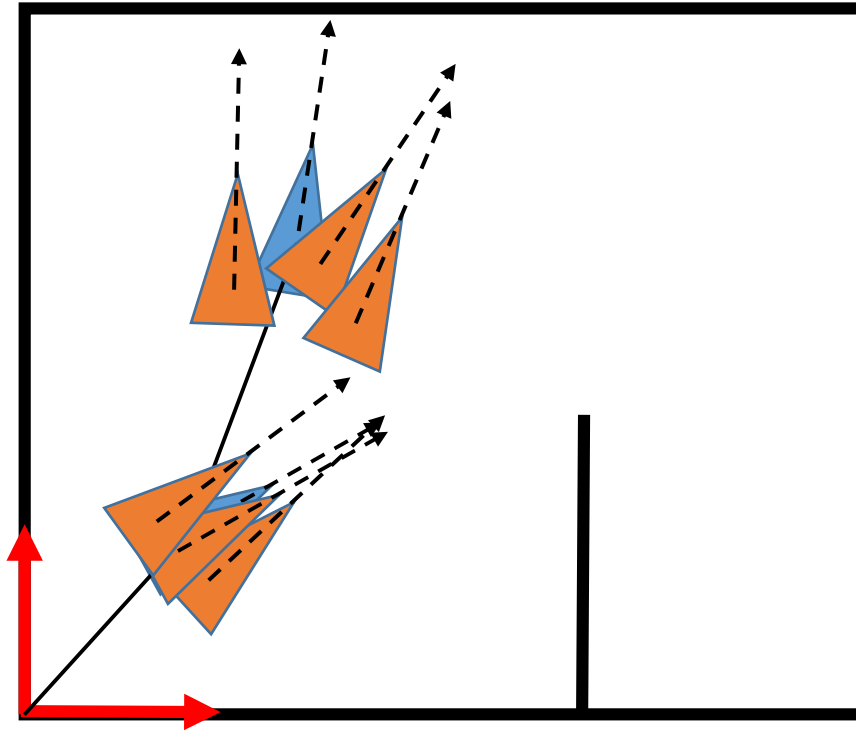


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# Motion Model in Particle Filter



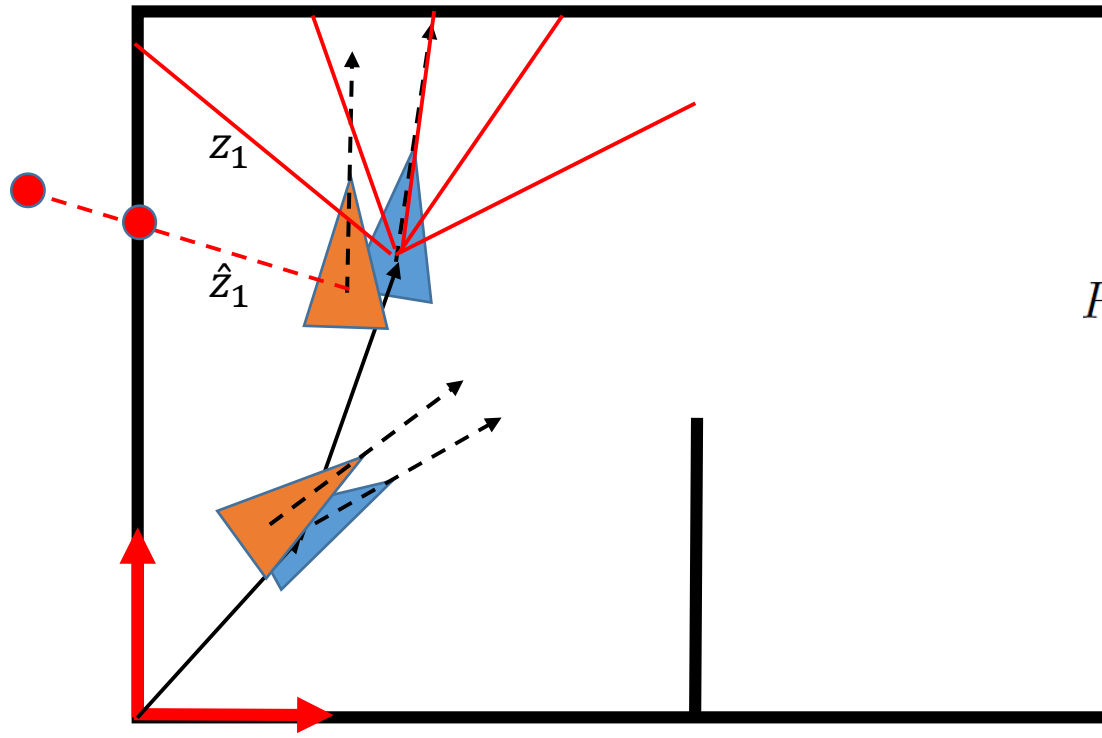
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# Observation Model in Particle Filter



$$Z = \{Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_M\}$$

$$\hat{Z}_i = \{\hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2, \dots \hat{Z}_M\}_i$$

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