#### **Robotics**

Estimation and Learning with Dan Lee

Week 2. Kalman Filter

# 2.3 Maximum-A-Posterior Estimation



#### Bayesian Kalman Filtering

- Apply the MAP to Bayes' Rule
- Solve the maximization
- Establish Kalman Filter update method

• Bayes' Rule

$$p(A|B) = \frac{P(\beta|\alpha)P(\alpha)}{P(\beta)}$$

Given from Kalman model:

$$p(x_t|x_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(Ax_{t-1}, AP_{t-1}A^T + \Sigma_m)$$
$$p(z_t|x_t) = \mathcal{N}(Cx_t, CP_tC^T + \Sigma_o)$$

• Apply Bayes' Rule  $p(\alpha|\beta) = \frac{P(\beta|\alpha)P(\alpha)}{P(\beta)}$ 

$$p(x_t|x_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(Ax_{t-1}, AP_{t-1}A^T + \Sigma_m) \to \alpha$$

$$p(z_t|x_t) = \mathcal{N}(Cx_t, CP_tC^T + \Sigma_o) \to \beta|\alpha$$
Prior
Likelihood

$$p(x_t|z_t, x_{t-1}) = \frac{p(z_t|x_t, x_{t-1})p(x_t|x_{t-1})}{P(z_t)}$$

Posterior

- Posterior distribution is not Gaussian
- MAP Estimates "optimal" x<sub>t</sub> value
- Use MAP estimates to form a new mean and variance for the state

Calculate the Maximum A Posteriori Estimate

$$\hat{x}_t = \underset{x_t}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(x_t | z_t, x_{t-1})$$

$$\hat{x}_t = \underset{x_t}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{p(z_t | x_t) p(x_t | x_{t-1})}{P(z_t)}$$

$$\hat{x}_t = \underset{x_t}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(z_t | x_t) p(x_t | x_{t-1})$$

$$\hat{x}_t = \underset{x_t}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(z_t | x_t) p(x_t | x_{t-1})$$

$$\hat{x}_{t} = \underset{x_{t}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathcal{N}(Cx_{t}, CP_{t}C^{T} + \Sigma_{o}) \mathcal{N}(Ax_{t-1}, AP_{t-1}A^{T} + \Sigma_{m})$$

Calculate the Maximum A Posteriori Estimate

$$\hat{x}_{t} = \underset{x_{t}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathcal{N}(Cx_{t}, CP_{t}C^{T} + \Sigma_{o}) \mathcal{N}(Ax_{t}, AP_{t-1}A^{T} + \Sigma_{m})$$

Simplify with these substitutions

$$P = P_t = AP_{t-1}A^T + \Sigma_m$$
$$R = CP_tC^T + \Sigma_0$$

• Simplify the exponential form of  ${\mathcal N}$  via logarithms

$$\hat{x}_t = \underset{x_t}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{(z_t - Cx_t)R^{-1}(z_t - Cx_t)}{+(x_t - Ax_{t-1})P^{-1}(x_t - Ax_{t-1})}$$

Solve optimization by setting the derivative to zero

$$\hat{x}_{t} = \underset{x_{t}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{(z_{t} - Cx_{t})R^{-1}(z_{t} - Cx_{t})}{+(x_{t} - Ax_{t-1})P^{-1}(x_{t} - Ax_{t-1})}$$

$$0 = \frac{d}{dx_{t}} \left( \frac{(z_{t} - Cx_{t})R^{-1}(z_{t} - Cx_{t})}{+(x_{t} - Ax_{t-1})P^{-1}(x_{t} - Ax_{t-1})} \right)$$

Collect terms in the derivative

$$(C^T R^{-1}C + P^{-1})x_t = z_t^T R^{-1}C + P^{-1}Ax_{t-1}$$
$$x_t = (C^T R^{-1}C + P^{-1})^{-1}(z_t^T R^{-1}C + P^{-1}Ax_{t-1})$$

Apply the Matrix Inversion Lemma

$$(C^T R^{-1}C + P^{-1})^{-1} = P - PC^T (R + CPC^T)^{-1}CP$$

• Define Kalman Gain:  $K = PC^T(R + CPC^T)^{-1}$ 

Expand the terms

$$\begin{aligned} x_t &= (C^T R^{-1} C + P^{-1})^{-1} (C^T R^{-1} y_t + P^{-1} A x_{t-1}) \\ x_t &= (P - KCP) (C^T R^{-1} z_t + P^{-1} A x_{t-1}) \\ x_t &= A x_{t-1} + P C^T R^{-1} z_t - KCA x_{t-1} - KCPC^T R^{-1} y_t \\ x_t &= A x_{t-1} - KCA x_{t-1} + (P C^T R^{-1} - KCPC^T R^{-1}) y_t \\ x_t &= A x_{t-1} - KCA x_{t-1} + K y_t \\ \widehat{x}_t &= A x_{t-1} + K (z_t - CA x_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

• Convince yourself that  $K = PC^TR^{-1} - KCPC^TR^{-1}$ 

Must update the covariance of the state

$$\hat{P}_t = P - KCP$$

#### 1D Visualization

- The position of x is moving forward
  - Uncertain motion model increases the spread
- We observe a noisy position estimate, z<sub>t</sub>
- The corrected position has less spread than both the observation and motion adjusted state

