

Discrete Kalman Filter - components

□ The ingredients:

■ A discrete *process* model

- Change in state over time (Φ)
- Linear (or linearized) difference equation $(\delta\Phi/dt)=\mathbf{F}\Phi$

■ A discrete *measurement* model

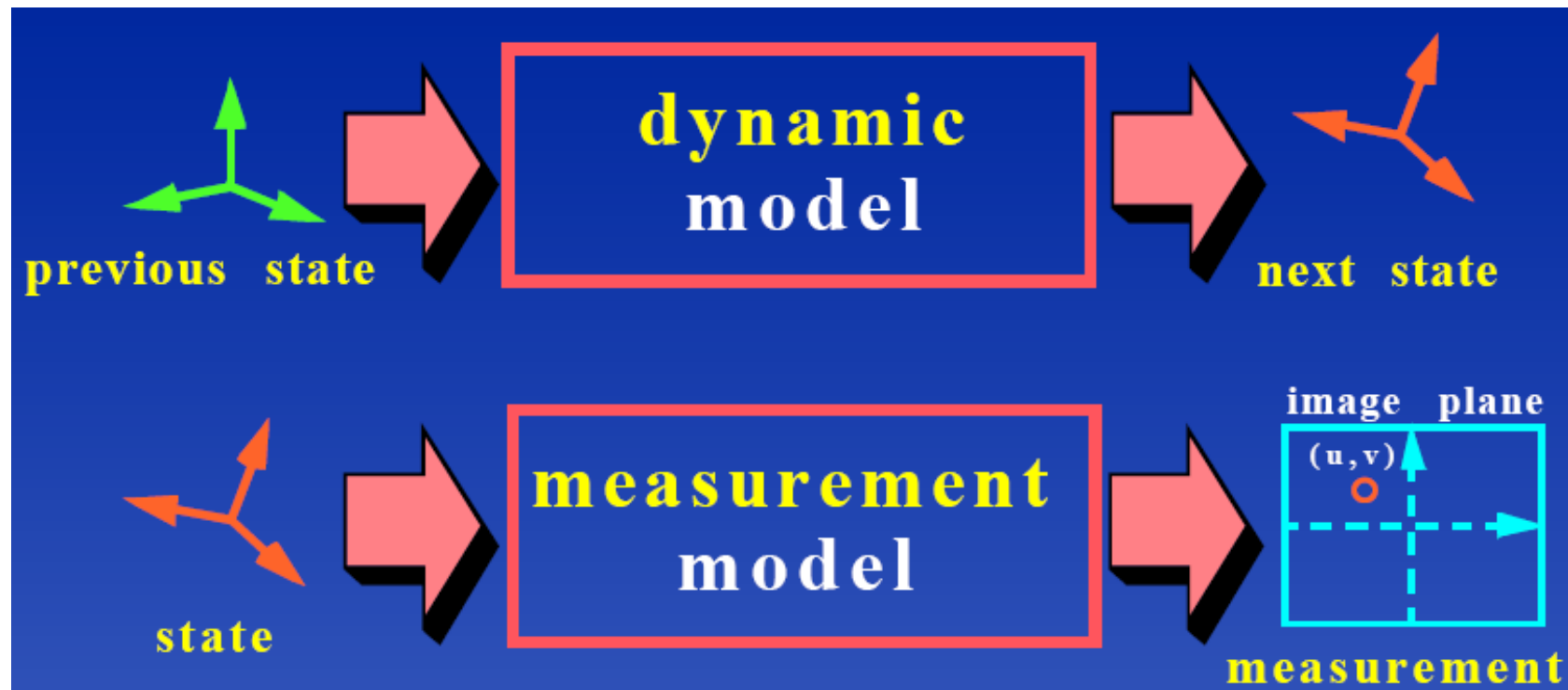
- Relationship between state and measurements
- Linear (or linearized) function (\mathbf{H})

■ Associated *stochastic* parameters (per model)

- Process noise characteristics (\mathbf{w})
- Measurement noise characteristics (\mathbf{R})

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□ Necessary models



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□ **Dynamic** model

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \Phi_k \mathbf{x}_k + \Gamma \mathbf{w}_k$$

\mathbf{x}_k — state vector; contains the n -states of the process

Φ — state transition matrix; ($n \times n$) relates states at time step k to time step $k+1$

$\Gamma \mathbf{w}$ — processing noise; expressing uncertainty of the dynamic model – ONLY in covariance propagation!

\mathbf{w} — white noise

Γ — noise transition matrix

KF-dynamic model

- Formulated by 1st order differential equation

$$\dot{x} = Fx + "Gw"$$

x — state vector; contains the n -states of the process

F — dynamic matrix; ($n \times n$) expresses the derivative of states with respect to time

Gw — time differential equation of the processing noise; expressing uncertainty of the dynamic model

w — white noise (sometimes ' u ' if it is uniform white noise)

G — noise shaping matrix

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□ Measurement model

$$z_k = Hx_k + v_k$$

z_k — measurement vector; size m

x_k — state vector; size n

H — measurement “design” matrix ($m \times n$)

v_k — measurement noise

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□ **State** estimates

- *A priori* state estimate (prediction)

$$\tilde{x}_k$$

- Note: mean of *system noise* (prediction)

$$E[\Gamma w_k] = 0$$

- *A posteriori* state estimate (after measurement)

$$\hat{x}_k$$

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□ **Covariance** estimates

- *A priori* estimate of state covariance (prediction)

$$\tilde{P}_k = E \left[\left(x_k - \tilde{x}_k \right) \left(x_k - \tilde{x}_k \right)^T \right]$$

- *A posteriori* state estimate (after measurement)

$$\hat{P}_k = E \left[\left(x_k - \hat{x}_k \right) \left(x_k - \hat{x}_k \right)^T \right]$$

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- Covariance matrix of the **system noise**:

$$\mathbf{Q}_k = E \left[(\Gamma \mathbf{w}_k) (\Gamma \mathbf{w}_k)^T \right] = \int_{k-1}^k \Phi_{k-1} G(\tau) \mathbf{Q}(\tau) G^T(\tau) \Phi_{k-1}^T d\tau$$

- The covariance matrix of the **measurement noise**:

$$\mathbf{R}_k = E \left[(\mathbf{v}_k) (\mathbf{v}_k)^T \right] \quad E[\mathbf{v}_k] = 0$$

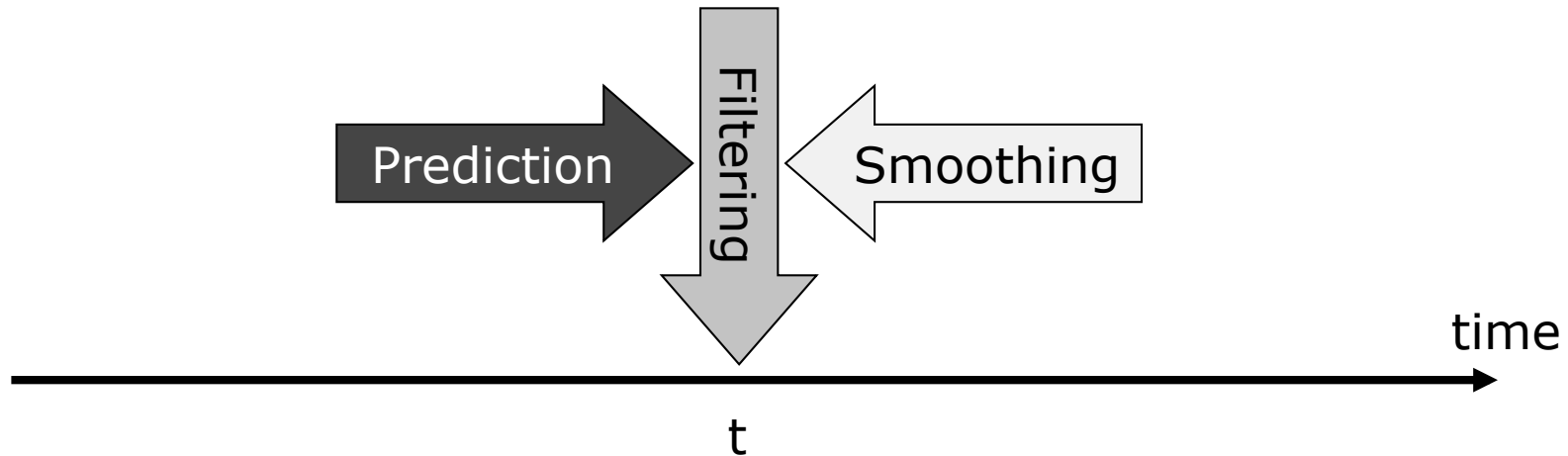
- *Basic assumption*: system and measurement noise are **NOT correlated!**

$$E \left[(\Gamma \mathbf{w}_k) (\mathbf{v}_k)^T \right] = 0$$

Estimation in time

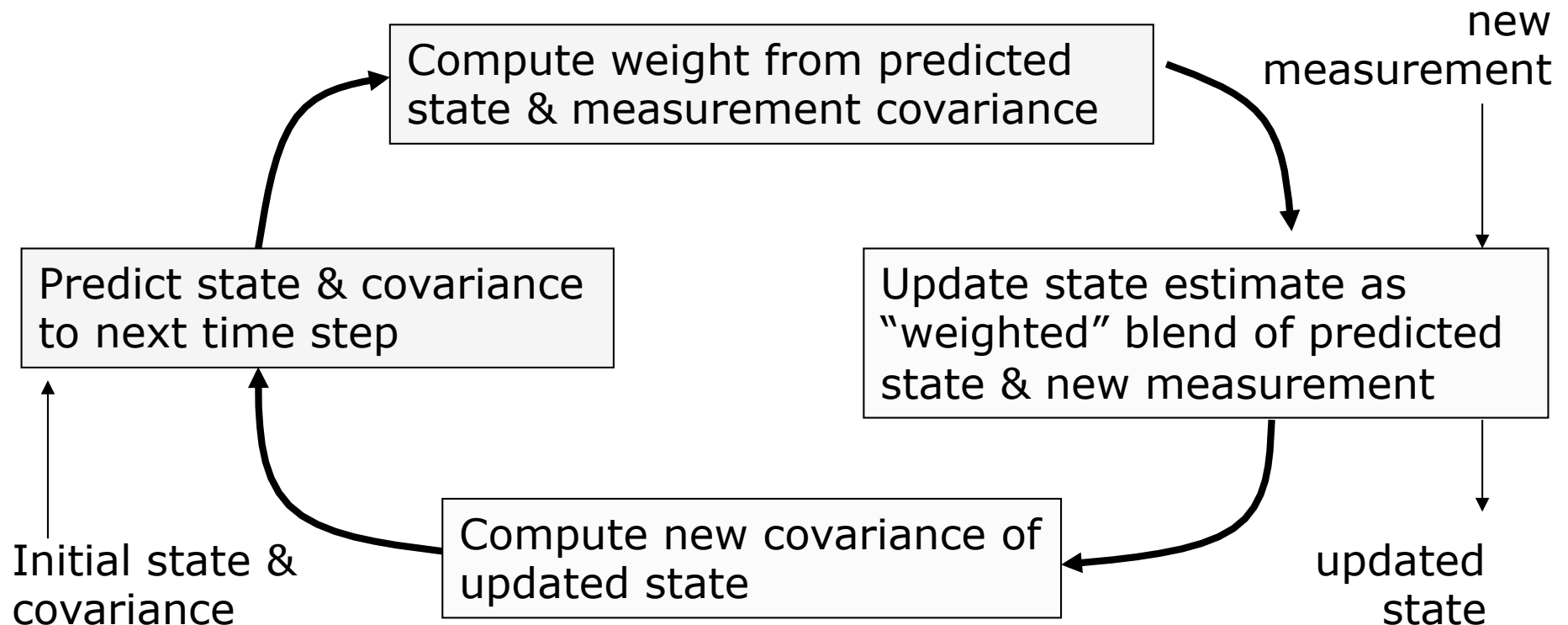
There are three types of estimation problems, based on the time (t) and the availability of measurements for which the estimate is required:

- Prediction: When (t) occurs after the last available measurement
- Filtering: When (t) coincides with the last measurements
- Smoothing: When (t) falls within the span of available measurements

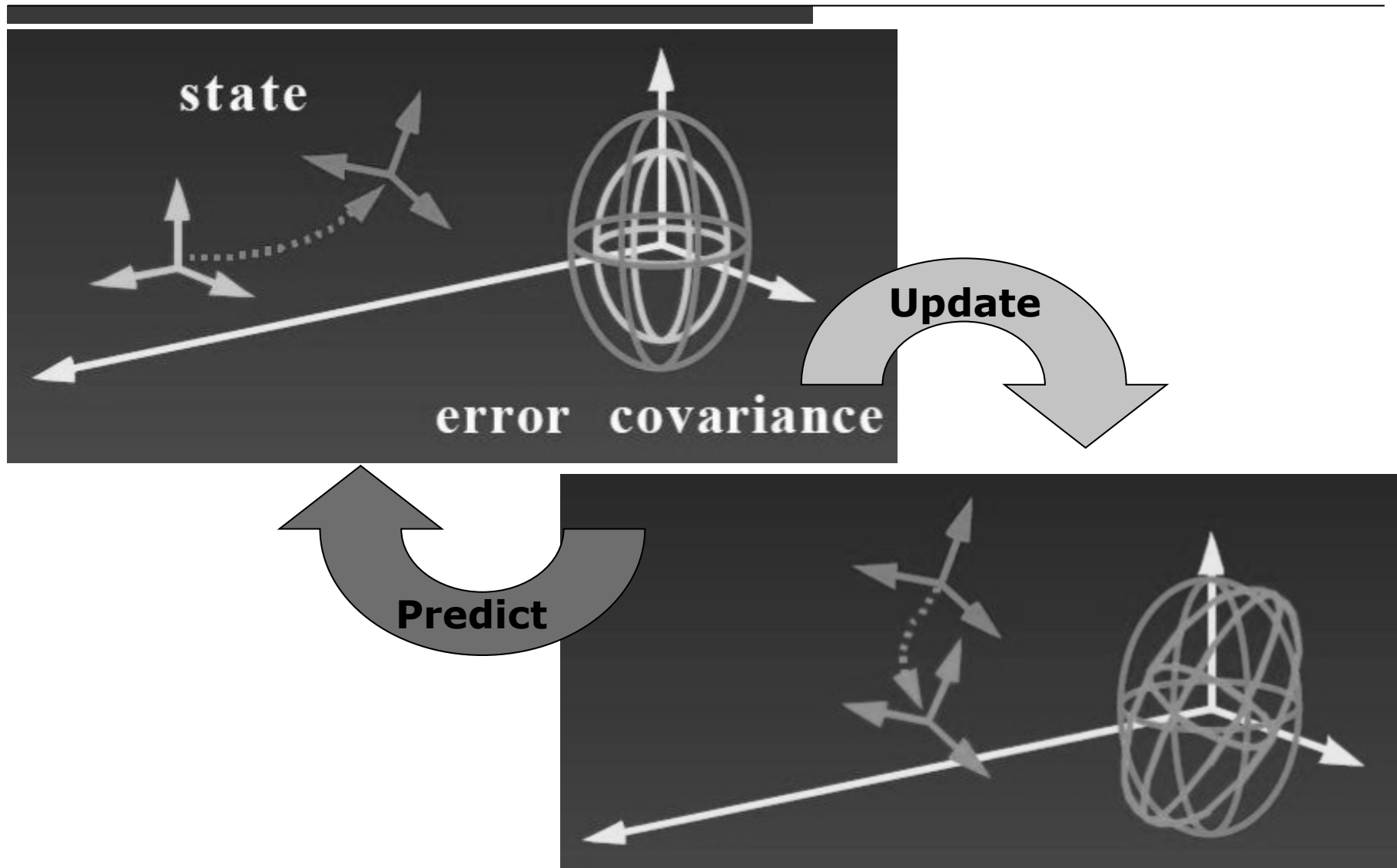


Kalman Filter operation

- The Kalman algorithm is a sequential recursive algorithm for an optimal least-mean square variance estimation of error states



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