

Probabilistic Robotics Course

EKF SLAM [Application]

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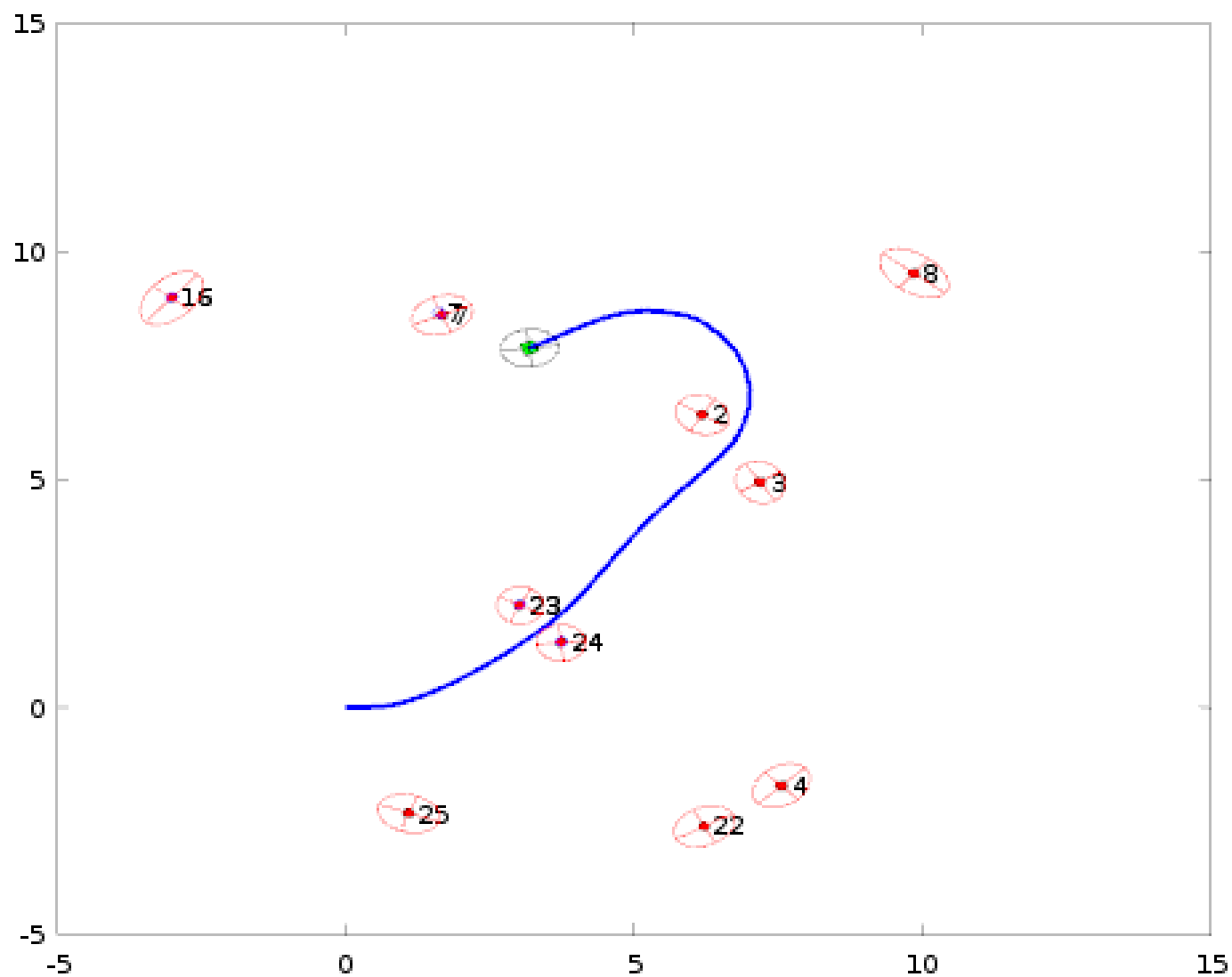
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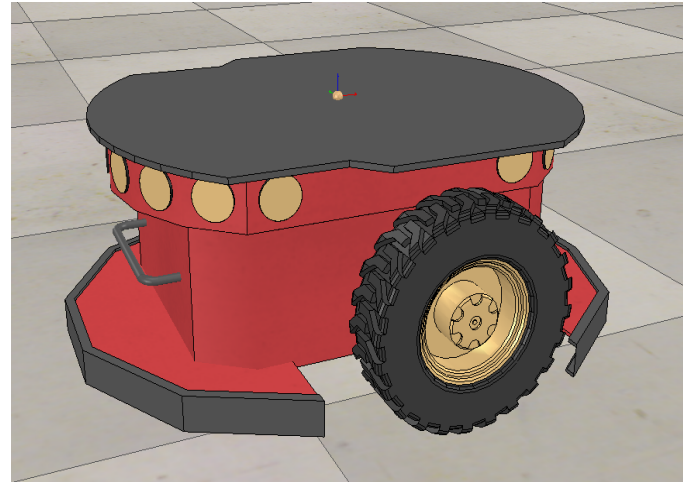
Outline

- Scenario
- Controls
- Observations
- Non-Linear Systems and Gaussian Noise
- Extended Kalman Filter SLAM

Scenario

Orazio moves on a 2D plane

- Is controlled by translational and rotational velocities
- Senses a set of uniquely distinguishable landmarks through a “2D landmark sensor”
- The location of the landmarks in the world is **not** known



Approaching the problem

We want to develop a KF based algorithm to track the position of Orazio as it moves (localization) and, at the same time, the position of the observed landmarks (mapping).

The inputs of our algorithms will be

- velocity measurements
- landmark measurements

We have no prior knowledge of the map.

EKF: Domains

Predict: incorporate new control

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{t|t-1} &= \mathbf{f}(\mu_{t-1|t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1}) \\ \mathbf{A}_t &= \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mu_{t-1|t-1}} \\ \mathbf{B}_t &= \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{u}} \right|_{\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{u}_{t-1}} \\ \Sigma_{t|t-1} &= \mathbf{A}_t \Sigma_{t-1|t-1} \mathbf{A}_t^T + \mathbf{B}_t \Sigma_u \mathbf{B}_t^T\end{aligned}$$

Correct: incorporate new measurement

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_z &= \mathbf{h}(\mu_{t|t-1}) \\ \mathbf{C}_t &= \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mu_{t|t-1}} \\ \mathbf{K}_t &= \Sigma_{t|t-1} \mathbf{C}_t^T (\Sigma_z + \mathbf{C}_t \Sigma_{t|t-1} \mathbf{C}_t^T)^{-1} \\ \mu_{t|t} &= \mu_{t|t-1} + \mathbf{K}_t (\mathbf{z}_t - \mu_z) \\ \Sigma_{t|t} &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_t \mathbf{C}_t) \Sigma_{t|t-1}\end{aligned}$$

Domains

robot state

Define

- state space

$$\mathbf{x}_t^r = \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ y_t \\ \theta_t \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

landmarks
in the state

$$\mathbf{x}_t^{[n]} = \begin{pmatrix} x_t^{[n]} \\ y_t^{[n]} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$n=1..N$

poses mapped to
3D vectors

- space of controls (inputs)

$$\mathbf{u}_t = \begin{pmatrix} u_t^1 \\ u_t^2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

- space of observations (measurements)

$$\mathbf{z}_t^{[m]} = \begin{pmatrix} x_t^{[m]} \\ y_t^{[m]} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$m=1..M$

EKF: Functions

Predict: incorporate new control

$$\mu_{t|t-1} = \mathbf{f}(\mu_{t-1|t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1})$$

$$\mathbf{A}_t = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mu_{t-1|t-1}}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_t = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{u}} \right|_{\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{u}_{t-1}}$$

$$\Sigma_{t|t-1} = \mathbf{A}_t \Sigma_{t-1|t-1} \mathbf{A}_t^T + \mathbf{B}_t \Sigma_u \mathbf{B}_t^T$$

Correct: incorporate new measurement

$$\mu_z = \mathbf{h}(\mu_{t|t-1})$$

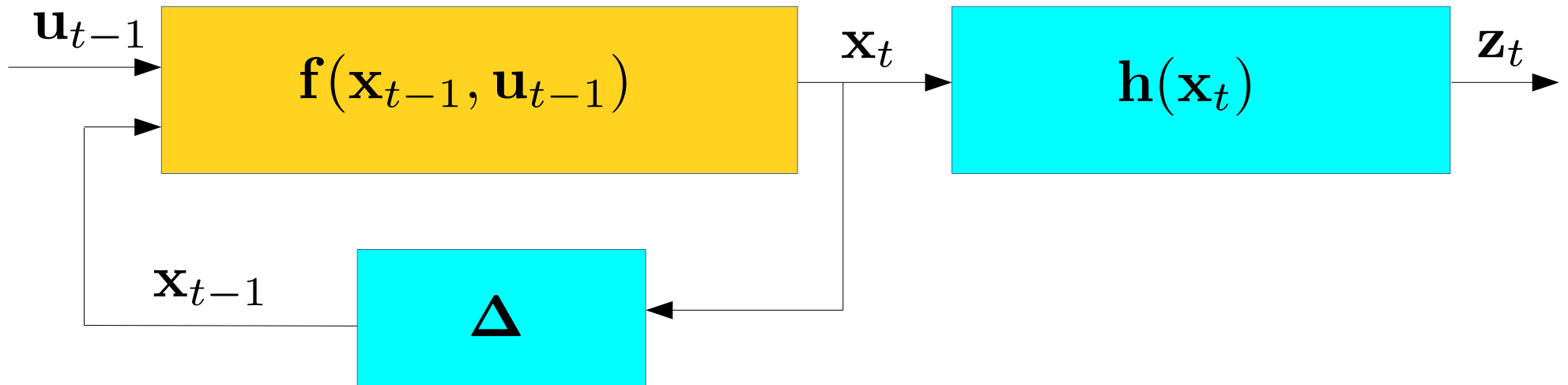
$$\mathbf{C}_t = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mu_{t|t-1}}$$

$$\mathbf{K}_t = \Sigma_{t|t-1} \mathbf{C}_t^T (\Sigma_z + \mathbf{C}_t \Sigma_{t|t-1} \mathbf{C}_t^T)^{-1}$$

$$\mu_{t|t} = \mu_{t|t-1} + \mathbf{K}_t (\mathbf{z}_t - \mu_z)$$

$$\Sigma_{t|t} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_t \mathbf{C}_t) \Sigma_{t|t-1}$$

Transition Function

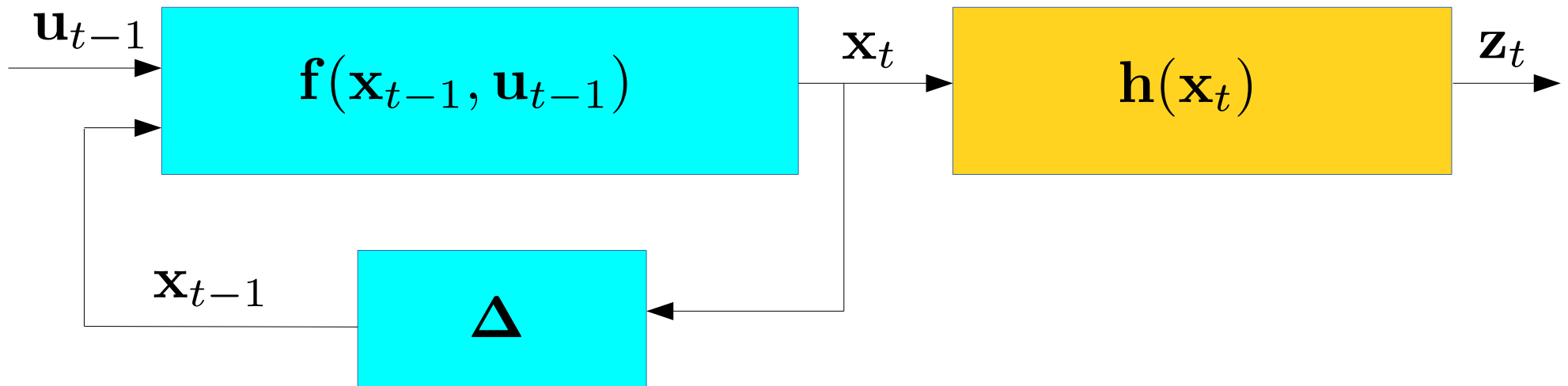


pose update (the robot moves)

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \cos(\theta_{t-1}) \\ y_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \sin(\theta_{t-1}) \\ \theta_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^2 \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[1]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[2]} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[N]} \end{pmatrix}$$

the landmarks don't move

Measurement Function



robot pose

Landmark position

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z}_t^{[n]} &= \mathbf{h}^{[n]}(\mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= \mathbf{R}_t^T (\mathbf{x}_t^{[n]} - \mathbf{t}_t) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_t (x_t^{[n]} - x_t) + \sin \theta_t (y_t^{[n]} - y_t) \\ -\sin \theta_t (x_t^{[n]} - x_t) + \cos \theta_t (y_t^{[n]} - y_t) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

relative position of the n^{th} landmark w.r.t the robot at time t

$n = 1, \dots, N$

We have N measurement functions, one for each landmark

Noise considerations

Are our functions modeling reality 100%?

Control Noise

We assume the control inputs are effected by a zero-mean Gaussian noise resulting from the sum of two aspects:

- a constant noise σ_v
- velocity dependent terms whose standard deviation grows with the speed (i.d.)
 - translational noise $\sigma_{u_t^1}$
 - rotational noise $\sigma_{u_t^2}$

$$\mathbf{n}_{u,t} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{n}_{u,t}; \mathbf{0}, \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_v^2 + \sigma_{u_t^1}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_v^2 + \sigma_{u_t^2}^2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\Sigma_u})$$

Measurement Noise

We assume it is zero mean and constant

$$\mathbf{n}_z \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{n}_z; \mathbf{0}, \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_z^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_z^2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\Sigma_z})$$

EKF: Jacobians

Predict: incorporate new control

$$\mu_{t|t-1} = \mathbf{f}(\mu_{t-1|t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1})$$

$$\mathbf{A}_t = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mu_{t-1|t-1}}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_t = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{u}} \right|_{\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{u}_{t-1}}$$

$$\Sigma_{t|t-1} = \mathbf{A}_t \Sigma_{t-1|t-1} \mathbf{A}_t^T + \mathbf{B}_t \Sigma_u \mathbf{B}_t^T$$

Correct: incorporate new measurement

$$\mu_z = \mathbf{h}(\mu_{t|t-1})$$

$$\mathbf{C}_t = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mu_{t|t-1}}$$

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$$\Sigma_{t|t} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_t \mathbf{C}_t) \Sigma_{t|t-1}$$

Jacobian 1: State

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \cos(\theta_{t-1}) \\ y_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \sin(\theta_{t-1}) \\ \theta_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^2 \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[1]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[2]} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[N]} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_t = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^r} \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^{[1]}} \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^{[2]}} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^N} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^r} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & -u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \sin(\theta_{t-1}) \\ 0 & 1 & +u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \cos(\theta_{t-1}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{pose} \\ \text{block} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{landmark 1} \\ \text{block} \end{matrix} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \text{landmark } \mathbf{n} \\ \text{block} \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^{[n]}} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix} \\ \vdots \\ \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{matrix} \\ \vdots \\ \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

Jacobian 2: Controls

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_{t-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \cos(\theta_{t-1}) \\ y_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^1 \cdot \sin(\theta_{t-1}) \\ \theta_{t-1} + u_{t-1}^2 \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[1]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[2]} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{[N]} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_t = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{u}} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \cos(\theta_{t-1}) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta_{t-1}) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{matrix} & \leftarrow \text{pose block} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix} & \leftarrow \text{landmark block 1} \\ \begin{matrix} \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix} & \leftarrow \text{landmark block N} \end{pmatrix}$$

Jacobian 3: Measurements

For the measurement function, we need to derive w.r.t **all** state variables

Prediction of the n^{th} landmark observation:

$$\mathbf{h}^{[n]}(\mathbf{x}_t) = \mathbf{R}_t^T (\mathbf{x}_t^{[n]} - \mathbf{t}_t)$$

The n^{th} measurement Jacobian will have a block structure

$$\mathbf{C}_t^{[n]} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^r} & 0 & \dots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^{[n]}} & \dots & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Jacobian 3: Measurements

We need to calculate the derivatives only for the non zero blocks

$$\mathbf{h}^{[n]}(\mathbf{x}_t) = \mathbf{R}_t^T (\mathbf{x}_t^{[n]} - \mathbf{t}_t)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}(.)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^r} = \left(-\mathbf{R}_t^T \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}_t^T}{\partial \theta_t} (\mathbf{x}_t^{[n]} - \mathbf{t}_t) \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}(.)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^{[n]}} = \mathbf{R}_t^T$$

$$\mathbf{C}_t^{[n]} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}(.)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^r} \quad \mathbf{0} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^{[n]}} \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{0} \right)$$

pose block

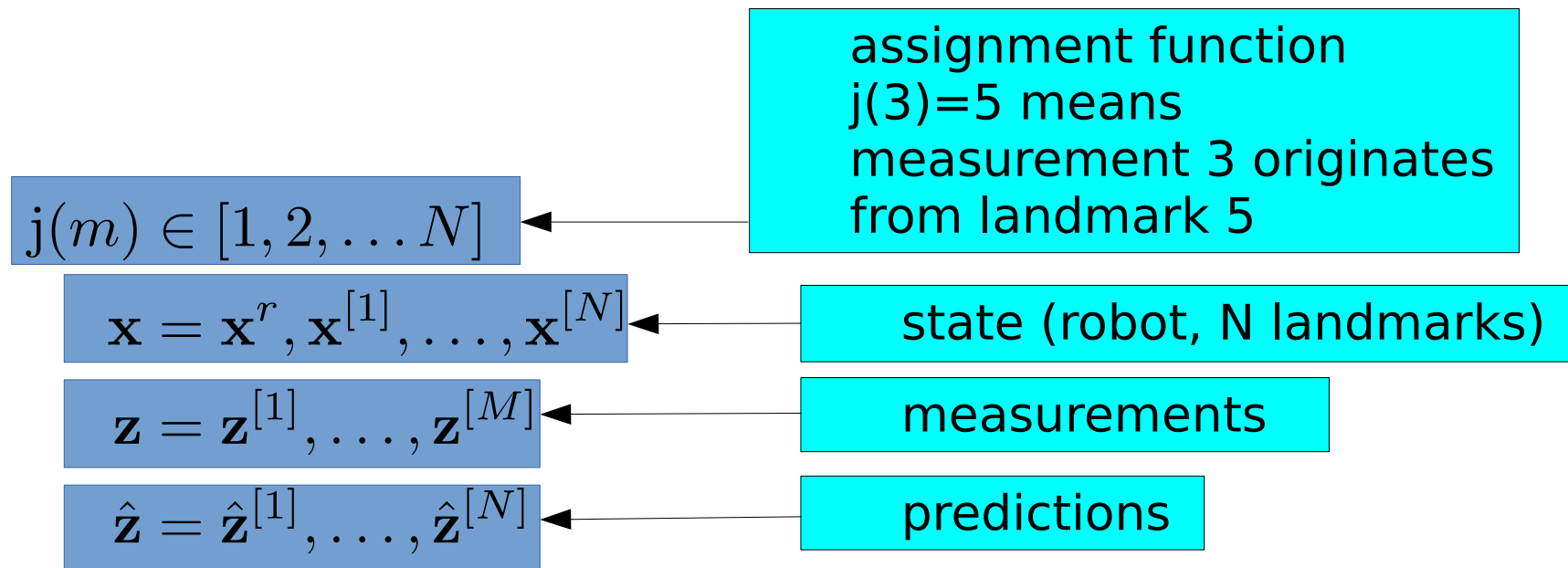
landmark block

Data Association

The observation z_t will originate from a subset of landmarks in the state.

The order of these observations does not necessarily match the order of the landmarks in the state.

Let $j(m)$ be the index of the landmark that generates the m^{th} observation block.



Data Association

For now we assume to know the assignment j .

With this assignment we can build a prediction based on M measured landmarks, and its Jacobian!

$$\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_t) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{h}^{[j(1)]} \\ \mathbf{h}^{[j(2)]} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{h}^{[j(M)]} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C}_t = \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[j(1)]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[j(2)]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[j(M)]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hands On!

g2o Wrapper

Load your V-REP acquired dataset

```
[land, pose, transition, obs] = loadG2o('my_dataset.g2o');
```

This call returns an array of objects with the fields:

land =

1x25 struct array containing the fields:

id
x_pose
y_pose

pose =

1x137 struct array containing the fields:

id
x
y
theta

transition =

1x136 struct array containing the fields:

id_from
id_to
v

obs =

1x136 struct array containing the fields:

pose_id
observation

g2o Wrapper

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This call returns an array of objects with the fields:

This time we don't know the landmarks!

pose =

1x137 struct array containing the fields:

id
x
y
theta

transition =

1x136 struct array containing the fields:

id_from
id_to
v

obs =

1x136 struct array containing the fields:

pose_id
observation

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Populating the Map

Time: t

current mean

$$\mu_t = \begin{pmatrix} x_t^r \\ y_t^r \\ \theta_t^r \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & \dots & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & \dots & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

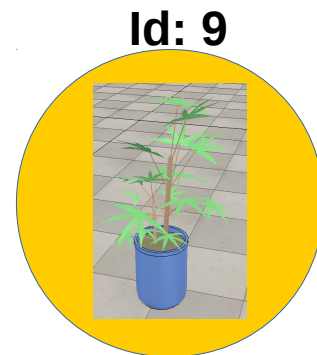
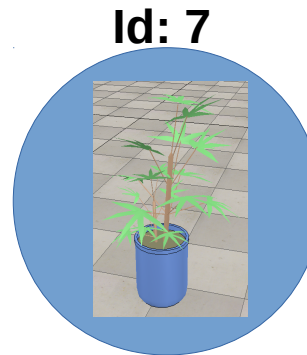
Populating the Map

Time: $t+1$

current mean

$$\mu_{t+1} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t+1}^r \\ y_{t+1}^r \\ \theta_{t+1}^r \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+1}^{[7]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+1}^{[9]} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_t^{[n]} = \begin{pmatrix} x_t^{[n]} \\ y_t^{[n]} \end{pmatrix}$$



Position 7

Position 9

$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \dots & 1 & -1 & 2 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & -1 & \dots & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Populating the Map

Time: $t+2$

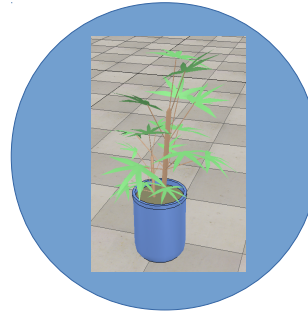
current mean

$$\mu_{t+2} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t+2}^r \\ y_{t+2}^r \\ \theta_{t+2}^r \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+2}^{[7]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+2}^{[9]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+2}^{[1]} \end{pmatrix}$$

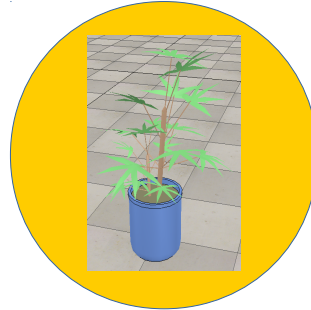
Id: 1



Id: 7



Id: 9



$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{3} & \dots & \text{1} & -1 & \text{2} & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{7} & \text{9} & \text{1} & \dots & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Correction

Two cases may arise:

- I have already seen the current landmark
- The current one is a new landmark

example:

Time: $t+3$

current observations : { 7 , 9 , 2 }

$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & \dots & 1 & -1 & 2 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 1 & \dots & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Correction

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Trick

First correct with the **reobserved** landmarks, then add the **new** ones

example:

Time: $t+3$

current observations : { 7 , 9 , 2 }

2 is a new landmark

id_to_state_map = (3 -1 ... 1 -1 2 ... -1)

state_to_id_map = (7 9 1 -1)

Correction

First consider only the reobserved landmarks

Time: t+3

observations : { 7 , 9 , _ }

current landmark: 7

I need to know
what is the
position of
landmark 7 in the
mu vector

$$\mathbf{C}_t^{[n]} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^r} \quad \mathbf{0} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^{[n]}} \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{0} \right)$$

$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & \dots & 1 & -1 & 2 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 1 & \dots & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Correction

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Time: $t+3$

observations : { 7 , 9 , _ }

current landmark: **7**

$$\mathbf{C}_t^{[n]} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}(\cdot)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^r} \quad \mathbf{0} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{[n]}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_t^{[n]}} \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{0} \right)$$

It's the first
landmark we have
seen

$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \left(\begin{array}{ccccccc} 3 & -1 & \dots & 1 & -1 & 2 & \dots & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \left(\begin{array}{ccccccc} 7 & 9 & 1 & \dots & \dots & -1 & \end{array} \right)$$

Same reasoning holds for landmark 9

Correction

Correct/Update the filter with the reobserved landmarks, then add the **new** landmark **2**

$$\mu_{t+3} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t+3}^r \\ y_{t+3}^r \\ \theta_{t+3}^r \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[7]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[9]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[1]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[2]} \end{pmatrix}$$

Add initial mean and covariance of the new landmark

$$\Sigma_{t+3} = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{t+3} & \text{orange box} \\ \text{orange box} & \Sigma_{t+3}^{[2]} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & \dots & 1 & -1 & \mathbf{2} & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 1 & \dots & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Correction

Correct/Update the filter with the reobserved landmarks, then add the **new** landmark **2**

$$\mu_{t+3} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t+3}^r \\ y_{t+3}^r \\ \theta_{t+3}^r \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[7]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[9]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[1]} \\ \mathbf{x}_{t+3}^{[2]} \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma_{t+3} = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{t+3} & \text{orange box} \\ \text{orange box} & \Sigma_{t+3}^{[2]} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{id_to_state_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & \dots & 1 & -1 & 2 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{state_to_id_map} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 9 & 1 & 2 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Update vectors