



Unscented Kalman Filter (UKF)

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考虑如下非线性系统:

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}_k, k) \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_k, k) + \mathbf{v}_k \quad (2)$$

其中, $\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $\mathbf{y}_k \in \mathbf{R}^m$, $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbf{R}^q$, $\mathbf{v}_k \in \mathbf{R}^m$ 。此外, $E[\mathbf{w}_k] = \mathbf{0}$, $E[\mathbf{v}_k] = \mathbf{0}$, $E[\mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{w}_j^T] = \mathbf{Q}_k \delta_{kj}$, $E[\mathbf{v}_k \mathbf{v}_j^T] = \mathbf{R}_k \delta_{kj}$, $E[\mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{v}_j^T] = \mathbf{0}$, $\forall k, j$ 。

1. EKF 算法回顾

简记

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k}, \quad \mathbf{P}_k = \mathbf{P}_{k|k}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k^- = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1}, \quad \mathbf{P}_k^- = \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}$$

(1) 初始化: $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_0 = E\mathbf{x}_0, \quad \mathbf{P}_0 = \text{var}(\mathbf{x}_0)$

(2) 时间修正 (time update):

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^- = \mathbf{f}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k, 0, k) \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^- = \mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{P}_k \mathbf{F}_k^T + \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{G}_k^T \quad (4)$$

(3) 量测修正 (measurement update):

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^- = \mathbf{h}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^-, k+1) \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy} = \mathbf{H}_{k+1} \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^- \mathbf{H}_{k+1}^T + \mathbf{R}_{k+1} \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{xy} = \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^- \mathbf{H}_{k+1}^T \quad (7)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{k+1} = \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{xy} (\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy})^{-1} \quad (8)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^- + \mathbf{K}_{k+1} (\mathbf{y}_{k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-) \quad (9)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1} = \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^- - \mathbf{K}_{k+1} \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy} \mathbf{K}_{k+1}^T \quad (10)$$

其中：

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}_k &= \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}_k, k)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_k^T} \right|_{\mathbf{x}_k = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k, \mathbf{w}_k = 0} \\ \mathbf{G}_k &= \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}_k, k)}{\partial \mathbf{w}_k^T} \right|_{\mathbf{x}_k = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k, \mathbf{w}_k = 0} \\ \mathbf{H}_{k+1} &= \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}, k+1)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^T} \right|_{\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^-} \end{aligned}$$

按简记符号， $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^-$ 、 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-$ 分别表示系统状态及量测的（一步）预测估计。

2. UT 变换

UT: Unscented Transformation

考虑非线性映射：

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (11)$$

其中, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{P}_x)$, $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ 。

构造如下加权 sigma 点集:

$$\chi_0 = \bar{\mathbf{x}}, \quad w_0 = \frac{\kappa}{n + \kappa}, i = 0 \quad (12)$$

$$\chi_i = \bar{\mathbf{x}} + (\sqrt{(n + \kappa)\mathbf{P}_x})_i, \quad w_i = \frac{1}{2(n + \kappa)}, i = 1, \dots, n \quad (13)$$

$$\chi_i = \bar{\mathbf{x}} - (\sqrt{(n + \kappa)\mathbf{P}_x})_{i-n}, \quad w_i = \frac{1}{2(n + \kappa)}, i = n + 1, \dots, 2n \quad (14)$$

其中, κ 是可调参数。当 \mathbf{x} 为正态分布时, $\kappa = 3 - n$ 。

那么, 精确到 2 阶以上 (泰勒级数) 有

$$\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} w_i \mathbf{y}_i \quad (15)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_y = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} w_i (\mathbf{y}_i - \bar{\mathbf{y}})(\mathbf{y}_i - \bar{\mathbf{y}})^T \quad (16)$$

其中, $\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{h}(\boldsymbol{\chi}_i)$, $i = 0, \dots, 2n$ 。

3. SUT 变换

SUT: Scaled Unscented Transformation

$$\chi_0 = \bar{\mathbf{x}}, \quad i = 0 \quad (17)$$

$$\chi_i = \bar{\mathbf{x}} + (\sqrt{(n + \lambda) \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{x}}})_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad (18)$$

$$\chi_i = \bar{\mathbf{x}} - (\sqrt{(n + \lambda) \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{x}}})_{i-n}, \quad i = n + 1, \dots, 2n \quad (19)$$

$$w_i^{(m)} = \begin{cases} \lambda/(n + \lambda), & i = 0 \\ 1/2(n + \lambda), & i = 1, 2, \dots, 2n \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

$$w_i^{(c)} = \begin{cases} \lambda/(n + \lambda) + (1 - \alpha^2 + \beta), & i = 0 \\ 1/2(n + \lambda), & i = 1, 2, \dots, 2n \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

其中, 可调参数 $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ (一般可选 $\alpha = 10^{-3}$), β 根据 \mathbf{x} 先验知识选取 (正态分布时, $\beta = 2$ 为最优), κ 通常取为 0, $\lambda = (n + \kappa)\alpha^2 - n$.

此时

$$\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} w_i^{(m)} \mathbf{y}_i \quad (22)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{y}} = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} w_i^{(c)} (\mathbf{y}_i - \bar{\mathbf{y}})(\mathbf{y}_i - \bar{\mathbf{y}})^{\top} \quad (23)$$

其中, $\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{h}(\boldsymbol{\chi}_i)$, $i = 0, \dots, 2n$ 。

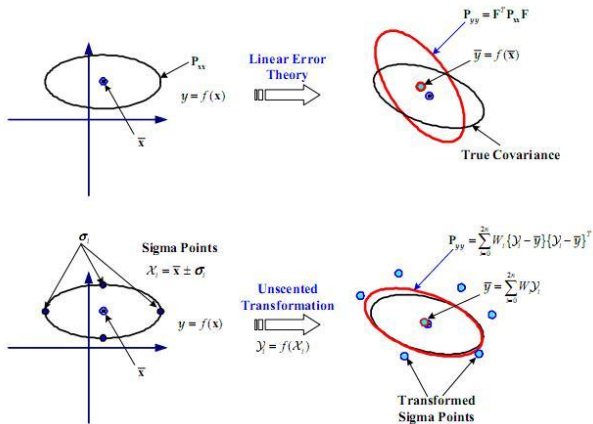


Figure 1: UT 变换示意图

4. UKF 算法

(1) 扩展状态:

$$\mathbf{x}_k^a = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_k \\ \mathbf{w}_k \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{P}_k^a = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_k & \mathbf{P}_k^{xw} \\ \mathbf{P}_k^{wx} & \mathbf{Q}_k \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

(2) 选择 sigma 点: 依据 $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k^a, \mathbf{P}_k^a)$ 生成 $L(= 2(n+q)) + 1$ 个 sigma 点 $(\mathbf{x}_{i,k}^a)$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, L$ 。

(3) 时间修正:

$$\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1} = \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k}^a, k) \quad (25)$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_{k+1}^- = \sum_{i=0}^L w_i^{(m)} \boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1} \quad (26)$$

$$\boldsymbol{P}_{k+1}^- = \sum_{i=0}^L w_i^{(c)} (\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_{k+1}^-)(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_{k+1}^-)^T \quad (27)$$

(4) 量测修正:

$$\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} = \mathbf{h}(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1}, k+1) \quad (28)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^- = \sum_{i=0}^L w_i^{(m)} \mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} \quad (29)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy} = \sum_{i=0}^L w_i^{(c)} (\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-)(\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-)^T + \mathbf{R}_{k+1} \quad (30)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{xy} = \sum_{i=0}^L w_i^{(c)} (\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^-)(\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-)^T \quad (31)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{K}_{k+1} = \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{xy} (\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy})^{-1} \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^- + \mathbf{K}_{k+1} (\mathbf{y}_{k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-) \\ \mathbf{P}_{k+1} = \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^- - \mathbf{K}_{k+1} \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy} \mathbf{K}_{k+1}^T \end{array} \right. \quad (32)$$

5. UKF 简化算法

考虑如下加性噪声非线性系统:

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_k, k) + \mathbf{w}_k \quad (33)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_k, k) + \mathbf{v}_k \quad (34)$$

- (1) 选择 sigma 点: 依据 $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k, \mathbf{P}_k)$ 生成 $L(= 2n) + 1$ 个 sigma 点 $\chi_{i,k}$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, L$ 。

(2) 时间修正:

$$\chi_{i,k+1} = \mathbf{f}(\chi_{i,k}, k) \quad (35)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^- = \sum_{i=0}^L \mathbf{w}_i^{(m)} \chi_{i,k+1} \quad (36)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^- = \sum_{i=0}^L \mathbf{w}_i^{(c)} (\chi_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^-)(\chi_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^-)^T + \mathbf{Q}_k \quad (37)$$

(3) 量测修正:

$$\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} = \mathbf{h}(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1}, k+1) \quad (38)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^- = \sum_{i=0}^L \mathbf{w}_i^{(m)} \mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} \quad (39)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy} = \sum_{i=0}^L \mathbf{w}_i^{(c)} (\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-)(\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-)^T + \mathbf{R}_{k+1} \quad (40)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{xy} = \sum_{i=0}^L \mathbf{w}_i^{(c)} (\boldsymbol{\chi}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^-)(\mathbf{y}_{i,k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-)^T \quad (41)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{K}_{k+1} = \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{xy} (\mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy})^{-1} \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}^- + \mathbf{K}_{k+1} (\mathbf{y}_{k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1}^-) \\ \mathbf{P}_{k+1} = \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^- - \mathbf{K}_{k+1} \mathbf{P}_{k+1}^{yy} \mathbf{K}_{k+1}^T \end{array} \right. \quad (42)$$

[Remark]

- 矩阵平方根可以采用 Cholesky 分解算法;
- UKF 与 EKF 计算量相当或更小, 但不需要计算 Jacob 矩阵, 滤波精度及计算稳定性均更好;
- 有许多改进, 例如平方根滤波算法、自适应算法等;
- 除应用于非线性状态估计外, 也可以应用于参数估计、机器学习、信号处理、时间序列预测、图像处理等领域。

6. 仿真算例

[例 1] 考虑非线性系统

$$x_{k+1} = 1 + \sin \frac{k\pi}{25} + \frac{1}{2}x_k + w_k$$
$$y_k = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}x_k^2 + v_k, k \leq 30 \\ \frac{1}{2}x_k + v_k, k > 30 \end{cases}$$

其中, $w_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 10^{-5})$, $v_k \sim \Gamma(3, 0.5)$, $x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(1, \frac{3}{4})$ 。

UKF 算法参数: $\alpha = 1, \beta = 2, \kappa = 0$ 。均方根误差 (root-mean-square-error, RMSE) 比较见表1。

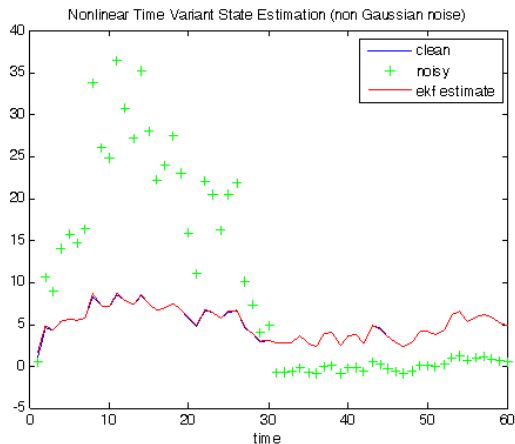


Figure 2: EKF 滤波

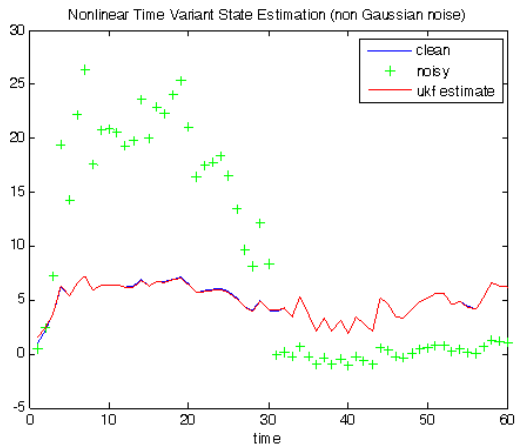


Figure 3: UKF 滤波

Table 1: 均方根误差比较

算法	RMSE	备注
EKF	0.113	图2
UKF	0.043	图3

[例 2] 考虑如下非线性系统

$$x_{k+1} = \frac{x_k}{2} + \frac{5x_k}{1+x_k^2} + 8\cos(0.4k) + w_k$$
$$y_k = \frac{x_k^2}{20} + v_k$$

其中, $x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 5)$; $w_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 10)$, $v_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$, 二者均为白噪声, 相互独立。仿真结果见图4.

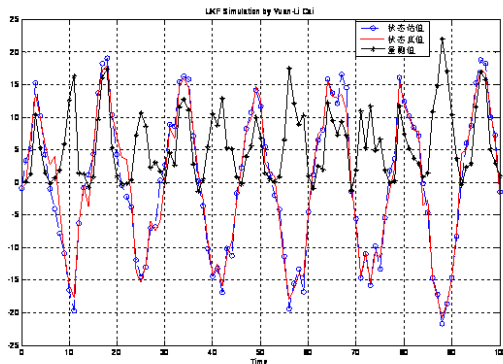


Figure 4: UKF 仿真 (RMS=2.0)

7. MATLAB code

```
%UKF algorithm 1
function [xhat] = UPF_A1(f, h, Q, R, x0, P0, y)
tf = size(y,2);
x = x0;
P = P0;

n = size(P, 2); m = size(R, 2);

for t = 1:tf
    % time update
    [sigm, wm, wc] = OnSigmaPoint(x, P); % generate sigma points

    sigmaX = feval(f, sigm, t);
    xhat_minus = sum(sigmaX.* repmat(wm,n,1));
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\bm{P}_minus=Q+
    sum(((sigmaX-xhat_minus)*(sigmaX-xhat_minus)').* repmat(wc,n,1));

sigmaY = feval(h, sigmaX);
\bm{y}_minus = sum(sigmaY.* repmat(wm,n,1));

\bm{P}_-\bm{y}=R + sum(((sigmaY-\bm{y}_minus)*(sigmaY-\bm{y}_minus)')).* repmat(wc,n,1);
\bm{P}_-\bm{x}=sum(((sigmaX-xhat_minus)*(sigmaY-\bm{y}_minus)')).* repmat(wm,n,1);

Kg = \bm{P}_-\bm{x}*inv(\bm{P}_-\bm{y});
xhat(t) = xhat_minus + Kg*(y(t) - \bm{y}_minus);
x = xhat(t);
P = \bm{P}_minus - Kg*\bm{P}_-\bm{y}*Kg';

end

```



```
function [sigma, wm, wc] = OnSigmaPoint(x, P)
alph = 1.0;
beta = 2.0;
ka = 0;

L = size(P, 2);
lmd = (L+ka)*alph*alph - L;

PS = sqrtm((L+lmd)*P);

wm(1) = lmd/(L+lmd);
wc(1) = wm(1) + (1-alph*alph+beta);
```

```
sigma(1) = x;  
  
for i=2:(2*L+1)  
    wm(i) = 1.0/(2*(L+1+md));  
    wc(i) = wm(i);  
    if i <= L+1;  
        sigma(i) = x + PS(:,i-1);  
    else  
        sigma(i) = x - PS(:,i-1-L);  
    end  
end;  
end;
```

```
%UKF simulation example
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```
clear all;
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```
P0 = 5; % Initial noise covariance
```

```
Q = 10; % Process noise covariance
```

```
R = 1; % Measurement noise covariance
```

```
tf = 100; % Final time
```

```
h = inline('(x.^2)/20');
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f = inline('0.5*x + 5*x./(1+x.^2) + 8*cos(0.4*t)', 'x', 't');
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```
randn('state',0);
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```
x0 =sqrtm(P0)*randn(1); % Initial state value
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```
for t = 1:tf % Simulate the system
    if t == 1
        x(t) = feval(f,x0,0) + sqrtm(Q)*randn(1);
    else
        x(t) = feval(f,x(t-1),t-1) + sqrtm(Q)*randn(1);
    end
    y(t) = feval(h,x(t)) + sqrtm(R)*randn(1);
end

xTrue = [x0, x];
xhat = UKF_A1(f, h, Q, R, x0, P0, y);
xhat = [x0, xhat];

plot(0:tf, xhat, 'bo--', 0:tf, xTrue, 'r', 1:tf, y, 'k*-');
```

```
xlabel('Time');  
legend('状态估值','状态真值','量测值');  
title('UKF Simulation by Yuan-Li Cai');  
grid on;  
  
rms = sqrt(sum(((xTrue - xhat).^2)/tf))
```



Questions?