Kalman filter formulas

Dynamics:

$$X_{n+1} = AX_n + W_n$$

Observation (measurement):

$$Z_{n+1} = CX_{n+1} + V_{n+1}$$
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Noise model:

 W_n and V_n independent Gaussian

$$E[W_n] = 0$$

$$E[V_n] = 0$$

$$E[W_n W_n^t] = R$$

$$E[V_n V_n^t] = Q$$

Estimate with update:

 $\widehat{X}_n = \widehat{X}_n(Z_1, \dots, Z_n)$, estimate of X_n using the measurements

$$Y_n = X_n - \widehat{X}_n = \text{ prediction error}$$

 $\widehat{Z}_{n+1} = CA\widehat{X}_n = \text{ predicted observation using old data}.$

 $\hat{X}_{n+1} = A\hat{X}_n + K_n(Z_n - \hat{Z}_n)$ = updated prediction using dynamics and new measurement

Optimal filter: find K to minimize prediction error Y. Three equivalent formulations (check this):

1. Minimize

$$\mathrm{E}\left[\left\|Y_{n}\right\|_{n}^{2}\right] = \mathrm{E}\left[\left.Y_{n}Y_{n}^{t}\right]\right]$$

2. Make Y_n independent of measurements Z_1, \ldots, Z_n . This is equivalent (because everything is Gaussian) to making Y_n uncorrelated with Z_1, \ldots, Z_n

$$\mathrm{E}\big[Y_n Z_j^t\big] = 0 \;, \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

3. Take the conditional expectation of X_n given the measurements:

$$\widehat{X}_n = \mathrm{E}[X_n \mid Z_1, \dots, Z_n]$$

Solution:

$$T_n = \mathbb{E}[Y_n Y_n^t] = \text{covariance matrix of prediction error.}$$

$$T_{n+1} = (A - K_n C) T_n (A - K_n C)^t + (I - K_n C) R (I - K_n C)^t + KQK^t .$$

$$K_n = (AT_n A^t + R) C^t (CAT_n A^t C^t + CTC^t + Q)^{-1} .$$