

# Kalman filter: linear GAUSSIAN likelihood/dynamics, $\mathbf{x}_k = (\mathbf{r}_k^\top, \dot{\mathbf{r}}_k^\top, \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_k^\top)^\top$ , $\mathcal{Z}^k = \{\mathbf{z}_k, \mathcal{Z}^{k-1}\}$

**initiation:**  $p(\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_0; \mathbf{x}_{0|0}, \mathbf{P}_{0|0})$ , initial ignorance:  $\mathbf{P}_{0|0}$  'large'

**prediction:**  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_{k-1}; \mathbf{x}_{k-1|k-1}, \mathbf{P}_{k-1|k-1}) \xrightarrow[\mathbf{F}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{D}_{k|k-1}]{\text{dynamics model}} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1})$

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**filtering:**  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}) \xrightarrow[\text{sensor model: } \mathbf{H}_k, \mathbf{R}_k]{\text{current measurement } \mathbf{z}_k} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k})$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_{k|k} &= \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{k|k-1}, & \boldsymbol{\nu}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{z}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1} \\ \mathbf{P}_{k|k} &= \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} - \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1}^\top, & \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k^\top + \mathbf{R}_k \\ & & \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k^\top \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1}^{-1} & \text{'KALMAN gain matrix'} \end{aligned}$$

Consider an object that moves in two dimensions on the following trajectory:

### Exercise 3.1

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\omega t) \\ \sin(2\omega t) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad A = \frac{v^2}{q}, \quad \omega = \frac{q}{2v}$$

and speed and acceleration parameters:  $v = 300 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$ ,  $q = 9 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$ !

1. Plot the trajectory. Why is it periodical? What is its period  $T = T(v, q)$ ?
2. Show for the velocity and acceleration vector:

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}}(t) = v \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega t)/2 \\ \cos(2\omega t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t) = -q \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\omega t)/4 \\ \sin(2\omega t) \end{pmatrix}!$$

3. Calculate for each instance of time  $t$  the tangential and normal vectors in  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ :

$$\mathbf{t}(t) = \frac{1}{|\dot{\mathbf{r}}(t)|} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ \dot{y}(t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{n}(t) = \frac{1}{|\dot{\mathbf{r}}(t)|} \begin{pmatrix} -\dot{y}(t) \\ \dot{x}(t) \end{pmatrix}!$$

4. Plot  $|\dot{\mathbf{r}}(t)|$ ,  $|\ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t)|$ ,  $\ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t)\mathbf{t}(t)$  and  $\ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t)\mathbf{n}(t)$  über a period  $T$ !
5. Discuss the temporal behaviour based on the trajectory  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ ! What are the maximum speeds and accelerations,  $v_{\max}$ ,  $q_{\max}$ ?

## Exercise 3.2

Consider a sensor in the coordinate origin with constant revisit interval  $\Delta t = 5$  s measuring the Cartesian position  $\mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{r}(t_k)$  of the objects at times  $t_k = k\Delta t, k = 0, 1, \dots$  with Gaussian measurement errors (independent, identically distributed: i.i.d.), covariance matrix

$$\mathbf{R} = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}, \sigma = 50 \text{ m.} \quad \text{Mandatory!}$$

1. Simulate with a random generator measurements  $\mathbf{z}_k = (z_k^x, z_k^y)$  according to:

$$\mathbf{z}_k = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_k + \sigma \begin{pmatrix} u_k^x \\ u_k^y \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{mit } \mathbf{x}_k = (\mathbf{r}(t_k)^\top, \dot{\mathbf{r}}(t_k)^\top, \ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t_k)^\top)^\top,$$

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{I}, \mathbf{O}, \mathbf{O}), \quad \mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{O} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_k^x, u_k^y \sim N(0, 1)$$

and plot the time series over the trajectory  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ !

2. Initiate the Kalman recursion by the a priori knowledge:

$$p(\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_0; \mathbf{x}_{0|0}, \mathbf{P}_{0|0}), \quad \mathbf{x}_{0|0} = \begin{pmatrix} z_0^x \\ z_0^y \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}_{0|0} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} \\ \mathbf{O} & v_{\max}^2 \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{O} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & q_{\max}^2 \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{o} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Realize the Kalman recursion as a program and calculate the prediction  $\mathbf{x}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}$  and filtering  $\mathbf{x}_{k|k}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k}$  für  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . Use the dynamics model:

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \Delta t \mathbf{I} & \frac{1}{2} \Delta t^2 \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{I} & \Delta t \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & e^{-\Delta t/\theta} \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{D} = \Sigma^2 (1 - e^{-2\Delta t/\theta}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = q_{\max}, \theta = 60\text{s}$$

4. Plot measurements, predictions, filtering with corresponding error ellipses (eigen values/vectors!) and compare with the truth! Play with the parameters!

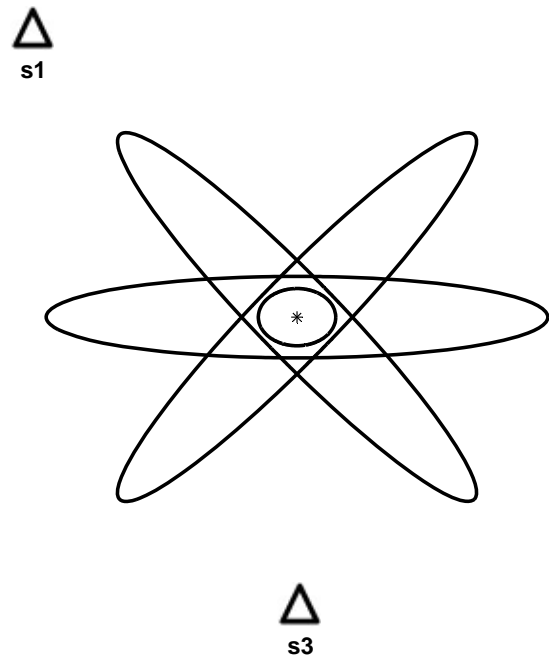
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*a closer look:* The error of each measurement  $z_i$  is described by a related measurement error *covariance matrix*  $\mathbf{R}_i$  ('error ellipsoids'). In 2 dimensions:



$\mathbf{R}_i$  can strongly depend on the underlying sensor-to-target geometry!

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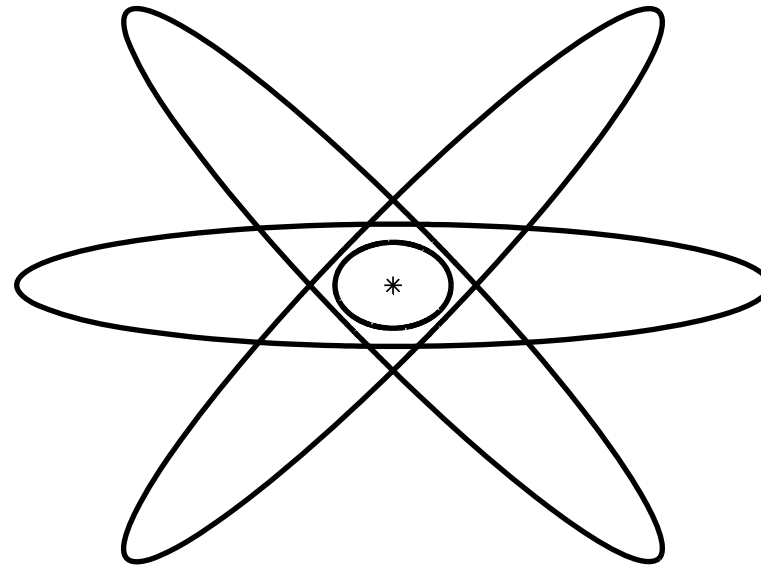
- **Cartesian error covariance (time dependent):**

$$\mathbf{T} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{T}^\top = \mathbf{D}_\varphi \mathbf{S}_r \mathbf{R} \mathbf{S}_r \mathbf{D}_\varphi^\top = \mathbf{D}_\varphi \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (r \sigma_\varphi)^2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{D}_\varphi^\top$$

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- **What is the quality of the measurement?**

reasonable: measurement error  $\mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{z}_k - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_k$  normally distributed with:

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{u}_k] = 0, \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{u}_k] = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}[(u_k^1)^2] & \mathbb{E}[u_k^1 u_k^2] \\ \mathbb{E}[u_k^2 u_k^1] & \mathbb{E}[(u_k^2)^2] \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \mathbb{E}[u_k^1 u_k^2] \\ \mathbb{E}[u_k^2 u_k^1] & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{R}$$

*uncorrelated*:  $\mathbb{E}[u_k^1 u_k^2] = 0$ ; Gaussian: uncorrelated  $\Rightarrow$  independent (not i.g.!)

Standard deviations  $\sigma$  appear on the diagonal of the covariance matrix.

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- **Approach for the requested pdf ('likelihood fkt.):**

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- **Example: position measurement**

$$\mathbf{H}_k = (\mathbf{I}, \mathbf{O}, \mathbf{O}), \quad \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{r}_k$$

$$\mathbf{R}_k = \text{diag}[\sigma_x^2, \sigma_y^2, \sigma_z^2], \quad \sigma_x : \text{measurement error}$$

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- a more realistic model:

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$$\mathbf{D}_{k|k-1} = \Sigma^2 (1 - e^{-2(t_k - t_{k-1})/\theta}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{O} = \text{diag}[0, 0, 0]$$

**There are many different evolution models adapted to particular problems!**



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$$\mathbf{F}_{k|k-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & (t_k - t_{k-1}) \mathbf{I} & \frac{1}{2}(t_k - t_{k-1})^2 \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{I} & (t_k - t_{k-1}) \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{O} & e^{-(t_k - t_{k-1})/\theta} \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{I} = \text{diag}[1, 1, 1]$$

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Show for the acceleration process:

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### **Exercise 4.1 (voluntary)**

$\theta$ : maneuver correlation time,  $\Sigma$ : limiting acceleration

$\mathbb{E}[\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_k \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_l^\top]$  is called ‘auto correlation function’.

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Let  $\mathbf{a}_k$  be a Gaussian RV with pdf:  $p(\mathbf{a}_k) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{a}_k; \mathbf{o}, \Sigma_k^2 \mathbf{I})$ , we therefore have:

$$p(\mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{a}_k) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{a}_k; \mathbf{o}, \Sigma_k^2 \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{G}_k^\top).$$

Therefore:  $p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{F}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{D}_{k|k-1})$  with

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**Exercise 4.2** Consider  $\mathbf{x}_k = (\mathbf{r}_k^\top, \dot{\mathbf{r}}_k^\top, \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_k^\top)^\top$  (position, velocity, acceleration)

Show that  $\mathbf{F}_{k|k-1}$  and  $\mathbf{D}_{k|k-1} = \Sigma_k^2 \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{G}_k^\top$  (constant acceleration rates) are given by:

$$\mathbf{F}_{k|k-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \Delta T_k \mathbf{I} & \frac{1}{2} \Delta T_k^2 \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{I} & \Delta T_k \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{O} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{D}_{k|k-1} = \Sigma_k^2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \Delta T_k^4 \mathbf{I} & \frac{1}{2} \Delta T_k^3 \mathbf{I} & \frac{1}{2} \Delta T_k^2 \mathbf{I} \\ \frac{1}{2} \Delta T_k^3 \mathbf{I} & \Delta T_k^2 \mathbf{I} & \Delta T_k \mathbf{I} \\ \frac{1}{2} \Delta T_k^2 \mathbf{I} & \Delta T_k \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $\Delta T_k = t_k - t_{k-1}$ . Reasonable choice:  $\frac{1}{2} q_{\max} \leq \Sigma_k \leq q_{\max}$

# *Kalman* filter: general properties

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_{k|k} &= \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{k|k-1} \\ \mathbf{P}_{k|k} &= \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} - \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1}^\top\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{S}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{H}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_{k|k-1}^\top + \mathbf{R}_{k|k-1} \\ \mathbf{W}_{k|k-1} &= \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_{k|k-1}^\top \mathbf{S}_{k|k-1}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

- *all elements* of the density: estimate an quality measure
- *variable* update, *time*-dependent evolution, measurement error
- *variable type*: measurement matrix (e.g. incomplete measurements)
- low computational effort (e.g. analytic inversions)

# Filtering step: alternative formulation

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathcal{Z}^k) &= p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{z}_k, \mathcal{Z}^{k-1}) \quad (\text{current measurement}) \\ &= \frac{p(\mathbf{z}_k | \mathbf{x}_k) p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathcal{Z}^{k-1})}{\int d\mathbf{x}_k p(\mathbf{z}_k | \mathbf{x}_k) p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathcal{Z}^{k-1})} \quad (\text{BAYES' rule}) \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}_k; \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{R}_k) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1})}{\int d\mathbf{x}_k \underbrace{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}_k; \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{R}_k)}_{\text{likelihood function}} \underbrace{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1})}_{\text{prediction for } t_k}} \\ &= \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}_{k|k}, \mathbf{P}_{k|k}) \quad (\text{product formula: 2. version!}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{k|k} = \mathbf{P}_{k|k}^{-1} (\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{H}_k^\top \mathbf{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{z}_k)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k}^{-1} = \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}_k^\top \mathbf{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}$$

inverse covariance matrices are called **information matrices**.