

# Kalman Filter

## Main Points

- Very useful tool.
- It produces an optimal estimate of the **state vector** based on the noisy **measurements** (observations).
- For the state vector it also provides confidence (certainty) measure in terms of a **covariance matrix** .
- It integrates estimate of state over time.
- It is a **sequential** state estimator.

## State-Space Model

State-transition equation

$$\mathbf{z}(k) = \Phi(k, k-1)\mathbf{z}(k-1) + \mathbf{w}(k)$$

State model error  
With covariance  
 $\mathbf{Q}(k)$

State Vector

Measurement (observation) equation

$$\mathbf{y}(k) = \mathbf{H}(k)\mathbf{z}(k) + \mathbf{v}(k)$$

Observation  
Noise with covariance  
 $\mathbf{R}(k)$

Measurement Vector

## Kalman Filter Equations

State Prediction  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_b(k) = \Phi(k, k-1)\hat{\mathbf{z}}_a(k-1)$

Covariance Prediction  $\mathbf{P}_b(k) = \Phi(k, k-1)\mathbf{P}_a(k-1)\Phi^T(k, k-1) + \mathbf{Q}(k)$

Kalman Gain  $\mathbf{K}(k) = \mathbf{P}_b(k)\mathbf{H}^T(k)(\mathbf{H}(k)\mathbf{P}_b(k)\mathbf{H}^T(k) + \mathbf{R}(k))^{-1}$

State-update  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_a(k) = \hat{\mathbf{z}}_b(k) + \mathbf{K}(k)[\mathbf{y}(k) - \mathbf{H}(k)\hat{\mathbf{z}}_b(k)]$

Covariance-update  $\mathbf{P}_a(k) = \mathbf{P}_b(k) - \mathbf{K}(k)\mathbf{H}(k)\mathbf{P}_b(k)$

## Two Special Cases

• Steady State  $\Phi(k, k-1) = \Phi$

$$\mathbf{Q}(k) = \mathbf{Q}$$

$$\mathbf{H}(k) = \mathbf{H}$$

$$\mathbf{R}(k) = \mathbf{R}$$

• Recursive least squares

$$\Phi(k, k-1) = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}(k) = 0$$

## Comments

- In some cases, state transition equation and the observation equation both may be non-linear.
- We need to linearize these equation using Taylor series.

## Extended Kalman Filter

$$\mathbf{z}(k) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{z}(k-1)) + \mathbf{w}(k)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(k) = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}(k)) + \mathbf{v}(k)$$

Taylor series

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{z}(k-1)) \approx \mathbf{f}(\hat{\mathbf{z}}_a(k-1)) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{z}(k-1))}{\partial \mathbf{z}(k-1)} (\mathbf{z}(k-1) - \hat{\mathbf{z}}_a(k-1))$$

$$\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}(k)) \approx \mathbf{h}(\hat{\mathbf{z}}_b(k)) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}(k))}{\partial \mathbf{z}(k)} (\mathbf{z}(k) - \hat{\mathbf{z}}_b(k-1))$$

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$$\mathbf{z}(k) \approx \Phi(k, k-1) \mathbf{z}(k-1) + \mathbf{u}(k) + \mathbf{w}(k)$$

$$\mathbf{u}(k) = \mathbf{f}(\hat{\mathbf{z}}_a(k-1)) - \Phi(k, k-1) \hat{\mathbf{z}}_a(k-1)$$

$$\Phi(k, k-1) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{z}(k-1))}{\partial \mathbf{z}(k-1)}$$

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}(k) \approx \mathbf{H}(k)\mathbf{z}(k) + \mathbf{v}(k)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}(k) = \mathbf{y}(k) - \mathbf{h}(\hat{\mathbf{z}}_b(k)) + \mathbf{H}(k)\hat{\mathbf{z}}_b(k)$$

$$\mathbf{H}(k) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}(k))}{\partial \mathbf{z}(k)}$$

## Multi-Frame Feature Tracking

Application of Kalman Filter

- Assume feature points have been detected in each frame.
- We want to track features in multiple frames.
- Kalman filter can estimate the position and uncertainty of feature in the next frame.
  - Where to look for a feature
  - how large a region should be searched

$$\mathbf{p}_k = [x_k, y_k]^T \quad \text{Location}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_k = [u_k, v_k]^T \quad \text{Velocity}$$

$$\mathbf{Z} = [x_k, y_k, u_k, v_k]^T \quad \text{State Vector}$$

## System Model

$$\mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{p}_{k-1} + \mathbf{v}_{k-1} + \mathbf{x}_{k-1}$$
$$\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{v}_{k-1} + \mathbf{h}_{k-1}$$

noise

$$\mathbf{Z}_k = \Phi_{k-1} \mathbf{Z}_{k-1} + \mathbf{w}_{k-1}$$

$$\Phi_{k-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w}_{k-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{k-1} \\ \mathbf{h}_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Measurement Model

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_k \\ \mathbf{v}_k \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{m}_k$$

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{H} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_k \\ \mathbf{v}_k \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{m}_k$$

Measurement matrix

## Kalman Filter Equations

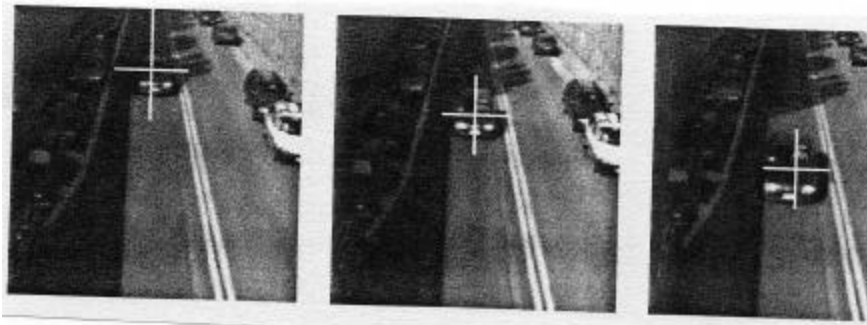
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## Kalman Filter: Relation to Least Squares

$$f_i(\mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{y}_i) = 0$$



Taylor series

$$f_i(\mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{y}_i) = 0 \approx f_i(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_{i-1}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \mathbf{y}} (\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \mathbf{z}} (\mathbf{z} - \hat{\mathbf{z}}_i)$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_i = H_i \mathbf{Z} + w_i$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_i = -f_i(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_{i-1}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \mathbf{z}} \hat{\mathbf{z}}_{i-1}, H_i = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \mathbf{z}}$$

$$w_i = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \mathbf{y}} (\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i)$$

## Kalman Filter: Relation to Least Squares

$$C = (\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_0 - \mathbf{Z})^T P_0^{-1} (\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_0 - \mathbf{Z}) + \sum_{i=1}^k (\mathbf{Y}_i - H_i \mathbf{Z})^T W_i^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_i - H_i \mathbf{Z})$$



minimize

$$\hat{\mathbf{Z}} = [P_0^{-1} + \sum_{i=1}^k H_i^T W_i^{-1} H_i]^{-1} [P_0^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k H_i^T W_i^{-1} \mathbf{Y}_i]$$

Batch Mode

## Kalman Filter: Relation to Least Squares

$$\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_k = [P_0^{-1} + \sum_{i=1}^k H_i^T W_i^{-1} H_i]^{-1} [P_0^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k H_i^T W_i^{-1} \mathbf{Y}_i]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_{k-1} = [P_0^{-1} + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} H_i^T W_i^{-1} H_i]^{-1} [P_0^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} H_i^T W_i^{-1} \mathbf{Y}_i]$$

Recursive Mode

## Kalman Filter: Relation to Least Squares

$$\mathbf{Z}_k = \mathbf{Z}_{k-1} + K_k (Y_k - H_k \mathbf{Z}_{k-1})$$

$$K_k = P_{k-1} H_k^T (W^T + H_k^T P_{k-1} H_k)^{-1}$$

$$P_k = (I - K_k H_k) P_{k-1}$$

$$Y_k = -f^T(\mathbf{Z}_{k-1}, \mathbf{y}) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}_{k-1}$$

$$H_k = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{Z}}$$

$$W = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{y}} A^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$$

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## Kalman Filter (Least Squares)

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Covariance-update	$\mathbf{P}_a(k) = \mathbf{P}_b(k) - \mathbf{K}(k)\mathbf{H}(k)\mathbf{P}_b(k)$ $\mathbf{P}(k) = \mathbf{P}(k-1) - \mathbf{K}(k)\mathbf{H}(k)\mathbf{P}(k-1)$

## Computing Motion Trajectories

### Algorithm For Computing Motion Trajectories

- Compute tokens using Moravec's interest operator (intensity constraint).
- Remove tokens which are not interesting with respect to motion (optical flow constraint).
  - Optical flow of a token should differ from the mean optical flow around a small neighborhood.

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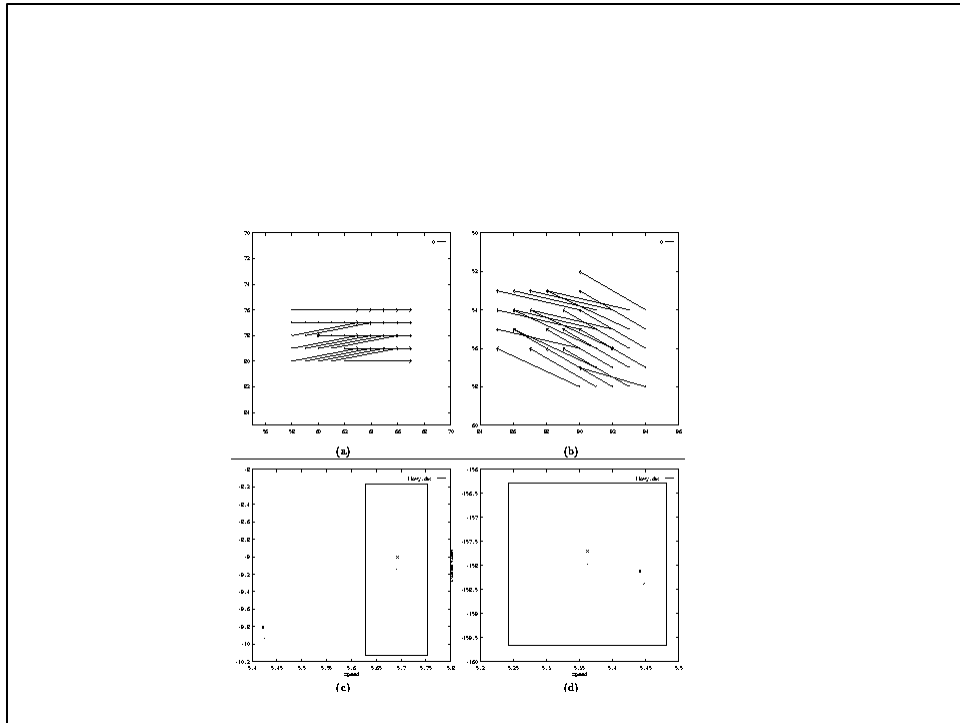
- Link optical flows of a token in different frames to obtain motion trajectories.
  - Use optical flow at a token to predict its location in the next frame.
  - Search in a small neighborhood around the predicted location in the next frame for a token.
- Smooth motion trajectories using Kalman filter.

### Kalman Filter (Ballistic Model)

$$x(t) = .5a_x t^2 + v_x t + x_0 \quad \mathbf{Z} = (a_x, a_y, v_x, v_y)$$

$$y(t) = .5a_y t^2 + v_y t + y_0 \quad \mathbf{y} = (x(t), y(t))$$

$$f(\mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{y}) = (x(t) - .5a_x t^2 - v_x t - x_0, y(t) - .5a_y t^2 - v_y t - y_0)$$



## Kalman Filter (Ballistic Model)

$$\mathbf{Z}(k) = \mathbf{Z}(k-1) + K(k)(Y(k) - H(k)\mathbf{Z}(k-1))$$

$$K(k) = P(k-1)H^T(k) (W^T + H^T P(k-1)H^T(k))^{-1}$$

$$P(k) = (I - K(k)H(k))P(k-1)$$

$$Y(k) = -f^T(\mathbf{Z}(k-1), \mathbf{y}) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}(k-1)$$

$$H(k) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{Z}}$$

$$W = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \mathbf{A}^T \frac{\partial f^T}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$$

