

# CSE-571 Probabilistic Robotics

## Kalman Filters

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## Bayes Filter Reminder

- Prediction

$$\overline{bel}(x_t) = \int p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) bel(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$$

- Correction

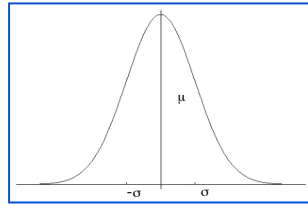
$$bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t | x_t) \overline{bel}(x_t)$$

## Gaussians

$$p(x) \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2):$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

Univariate



$$p(\mathbf{x}) \sim \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{\Sigma}):$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\mathbf{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{i})^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{i})}$$

Multivariate



## Properties of Gaussians

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \\ Y = aX + b \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow Y \sim N(a\mu + b, a^2\sigma^2)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) \\ X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow p(X_1) \cdot p(X_2) \sim N\left(\frac{\sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2} \mu_1 + \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2} \mu_2, \frac{1}{\sigma_1^{-2} + \sigma_2^{-2}}\right)$$

## Multivariate Gaussians

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \\ Y = AX + B \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow Y \sim N(A\mu + B, A\Sigma A^T)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \Sigma_1) \\ X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \Sigma_2) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow p(X_1) \cdot p(X_2) \sim N\left(\frac{\Sigma_2}{\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2} \mu_1 + \frac{\Sigma_1}{\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2} \mu_2, \frac{1}{\Sigma_1^{-1} + \Sigma_2^{-1}}\right)$$

- We stay in the "Gaussian world" as long as we start with Gaussians and perform only linear transformations.

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## Discrete Kalman Filter

Estimates the state  $x$  of a discrete-time controlled process that is governed by the linear stochastic difference equation

$$x_t = A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t + \varepsilon_t$$

with a measurement

$$z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t$$

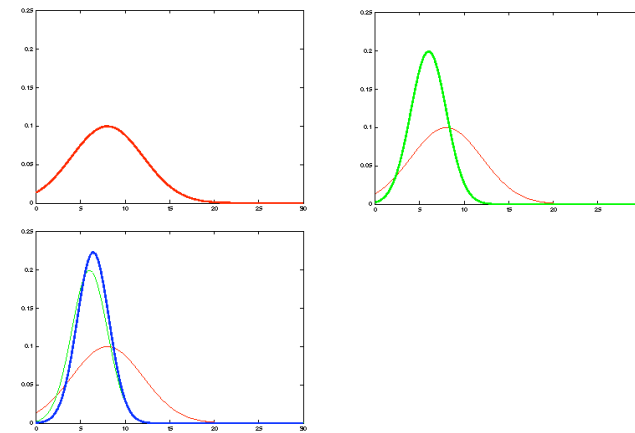
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## Components of a Kalman Filter

- $A_t$  Matrix (nxn) that describes how the state evolves from  $t$  to  $t-1$  without controls or noise.
- $B_t$  Matrix (nxl) that describes how the control  $u_t$  changes the state from  $t$  to  $t-1$ .
- $C_t$  Matrix (kxn) that describes how to map the state  $x_t$  to an observation  $z_t$ .
- $\varepsilon_t$  Random variables representing the process and measurement noise that are assumed to be independent and normally distributed with covariance  $R_t$  and  $Q_t$  respectively.

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## Kalman Filter Updates in 1D

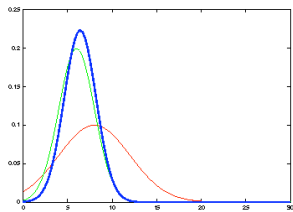


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## Kalman Filter Updates in 1D

$$bel(x_t) = \begin{cases} \mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - \bar{\mu}_t) \\ \sigma_t^2 = (1 - K_t)\bar{\sigma}_t^2 \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad K_t = \frac{\bar{\sigma}_t^2}{\bar{\sigma}_t^2 + \bar{\sigma}_{obs,t}^2}$$

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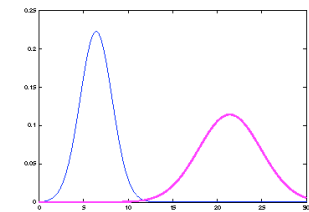
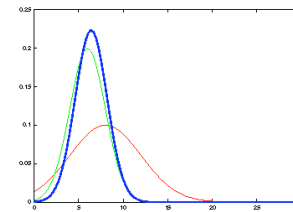


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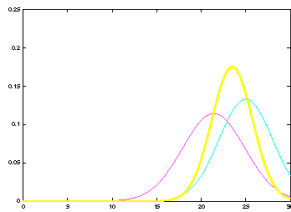
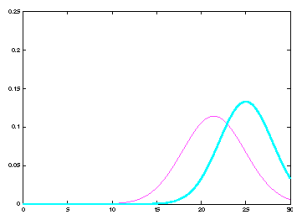
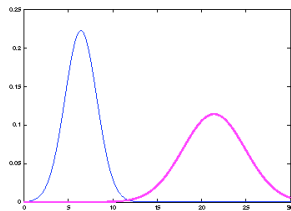
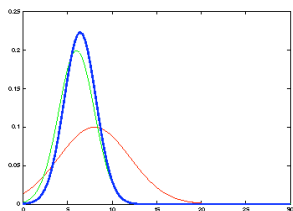
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$$\bar{bel}(x_t) = \begin{cases} \bar{\mu}_t = a_t \mu_{t-1} + b_t u_t \\ \bar{\sigma}_t^2 = a_t^2 \sigma_{t-1}^2 + \sigma_{act,t}^2 \end{cases}$$

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## Kalman Filter Updates



## Linear Gaussian Systems: Initialization

- Initial belief is normally distributed:

$$bel(x_0) = N(x_0; \mu_0, \Sigma_0)$$

### Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

- Dynamics are linear function of state and control plus additive noise:

$$x_t = A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t + \varepsilon_t$$

$$p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) = N(x_t; A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t, R_t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{bel}(x_t) &= \int p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) \quad \quad \quad \overline{bel}(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1} \\ &\quad \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\ &\sim N(x_t; A_t x_{t-1} + B_t u_t, R_t) \quad \sim N(x_{t-1}; \bar{\mu}_{t-1}, \bar{\Sigma}_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

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### Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

- Observations are linear function of state plus additive noise:

$$z_t = C_t x_t + \delta_t$$

$$p(z_t | x_t) = N(z_t; C_t x_t, Q_t)$$

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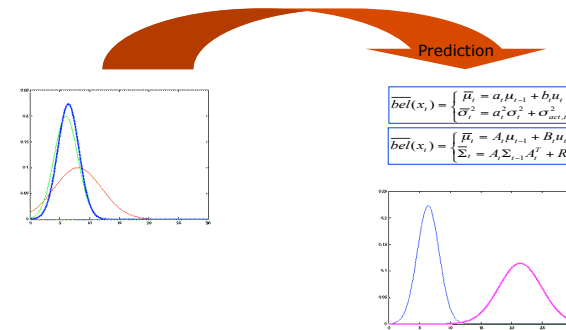
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## Kalman Filter Algorithm

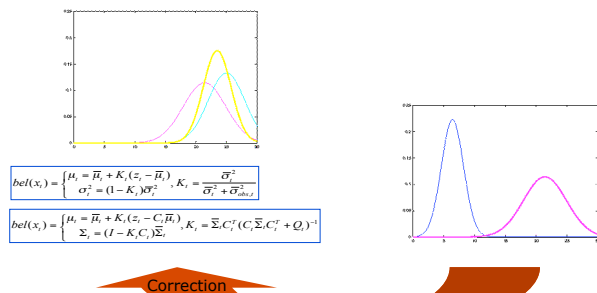
1. Algorithm `Kalman_filter`(  $\mu_{t-1}$ ,  $\Sigma_{t-1}$ ,  $u_t$ ,  $z_t$ ):
2. Prediction:
3.  $\bar{\mu}_t = A_t \mu_{t-1} + B_t u_t$
4.  $\bar{\Sigma}_t = A_t \Sigma_{t-1} A_t^T + R_t$
5. Correction:
6.  $K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^T (C_t \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^T + Q_t)^{-1}$
7.  $\mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t (z_t - C_t \bar{\mu}_t)$
8.  $\Sigma_t = (I - K_t C_t) \bar{\Sigma}_t$
9. Return  $\mu_t$ ,  $\Sigma_t$

## The Prediction-Correction-Cycle



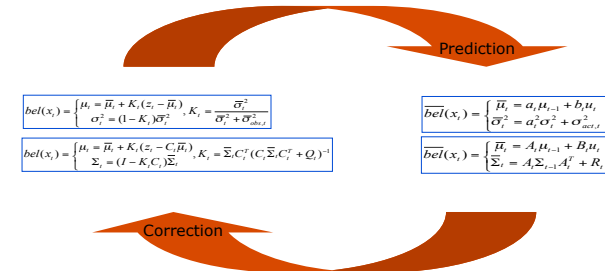
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## Kalman Filter Summary

- **Highly efficient:** Polynomial in measurement dimensionality  $k$  and state dimensionality  $n$ :  

$$O(k^{2.376} + n^2)$$
- **Optimal for linear Gaussian systems!**
- Most robotics systems are **nonlinear!**

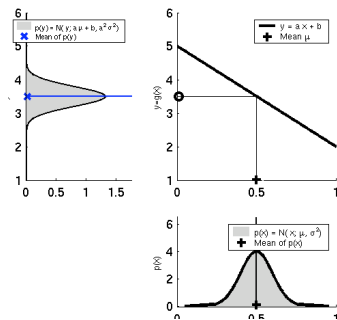
## Nonlinear Dynamic Systems

- Most realistic robotic problems involve nonlinear functions

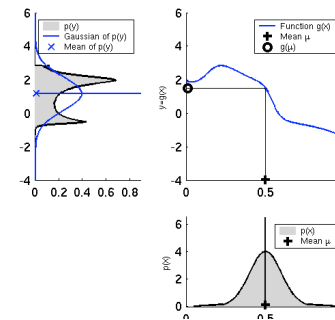
$$x_t = g(u_t, x_{t-1})$$

$$z_t = h(x_t)$$

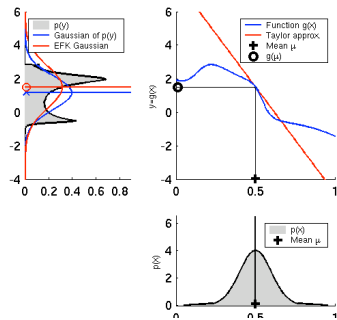
## Linearity Assumption Revisited



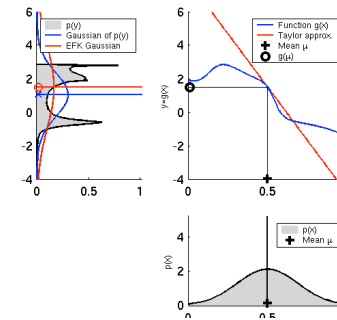
## Non-linear Function



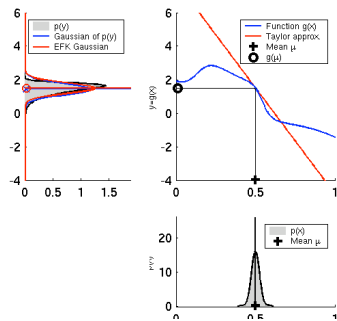
## EKF Linearization (1)



## EKF Linearization (2)



## EKF Linearization (3)



## EKF Linearization: First Order Taylor Series Expansion

- Prediction:

$$g(u_t, x_{t-1}) \approx g(u_t, \mu_{t-1}) + \frac{\partial g(u_t, \mu_{t-1})}{\partial x_{t-1}} (x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1})$$

$$g(u_t, x_{t-1}) \approx g(u_t, \mu_{t-1}) + G_t (x_{t-1} - \mu_{t-1})$$

- Correction:

$$h(x_t) \approx h(\bar{\mu}_t) + \frac{\partial h(\bar{\mu}_t)}{\partial x_t} (x_t - \bar{\mu}_t)$$

$$h(x_t) \approx h(\bar{\mu}_t) + H_t (x_t - \bar{\mu}_t)$$

## EKF Algorithm

1. **Extended\_Kalman\_filter**(  $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t$ ):

2. Prediction:

$$3. \quad \bar{\mu}_t = g(u_t, \mu_{t-1}) \quad \longleftarrow \quad \bar{\mu}_t = A_t \mu_{t-1} + B_t u_t$$

$$4. \quad \bar{\Sigma}_t = G_t \Sigma_{t-1} G_t^T + R_t \quad \longleftarrow \quad \bar{\Sigma}_t = A_t \Sigma_{t-1} A_t^T + R_t$$

5. Correction:

$$6. \quad K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t H_t^T (H_t \bar{\Sigma}_t H_t^T + Q_t)^{-1} \quad \longleftarrow \quad K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^T (C_t \bar{\Sigma}_t C_t^T + Q_t)^{-1}$$

$$7. \quad \mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t (z_t - h(\bar{\mu}_t)) \quad \longleftarrow \quad \mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t (z_t - C_t \bar{\mu}_t)$$

$$8. \quad \Sigma_t = (I - K_t H_t) \bar{\Sigma}_t \quad \longleftarrow \quad \Sigma_t = (I - K_t C_t) \bar{\Sigma}_t$$

$$9. \quad \text{Return } \mu_t, \Sigma_t \quad H_t = \frac{\partial h(\bar{\mu}_t)}{\partial x_t} \quad G_t = \frac{\partial g(u_t, \mu_{t-1})}{\partial x_{t-1}}$$

## Localization

"Using sensory information to locate the robot in its environment is the most fundamental problem to providing a mobile robot with autonomous capabilities." [Cox '91]

### • Given

- Map of the environment.
- Sequence of sensor measurements.

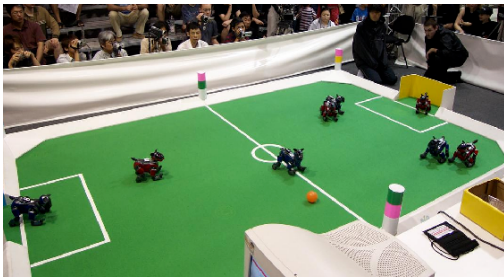
### • Wanted

- Estimate of the robot's position.

### • Problem classes

- Position tracking
- Global localization
- Kidnapped robot problem (recovery)

## Landmark-based Localization



1. **EKF\_localization** (  $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t, m$ ):

**Prediction:**

$$2. \quad G_t = \frac{\partial g(u_t, \mu_{t-1})}{\partial x_{t-1}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,x}} & \frac{\partial x'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,y}} & \frac{\partial x'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,\theta}} \\ \frac{\partial y'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,x}} & \frac{\partial y'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,y}} & \frac{\partial y'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,\theta}} \\ \frac{\partial \theta'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,x}} & \frac{\partial \theta'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,y}} & \frac{\partial \theta'}{\partial \mu_{t-1,\theta}} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Jacobian of } g \text{ w.r.t location}$$

$$3. \quad V_t = \frac{\partial g(u_t, \mu_{t-1})}{\partial u_t} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial v_t} & \frac{\partial x'}{\partial \omega_t} \\ \frac{\partial y'}{\partial v_t} & \frac{\partial y'}{\partial \omega_t} \\ \frac{\partial \theta'}{\partial v_t} & \frac{\partial \theta'}{\partial \omega_t} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Jacobian of } g \text{ w.r.t control}$$

$$4. \quad M_t = \begin{pmatrix} (\alpha_1 |v_t| + \alpha_2 |\omega_t|)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (\alpha_3 |v_t| + \alpha_4 |\omega_t|)^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Motion noise}$$

$$5. \quad \bar{\mu}_t = g(u_t, \mu_{t-1}) \quad \text{Predicted mean}$$

$$6. \quad \bar{\Sigma}_t = G_t \Sigma_{t-1} G_t^T + V_t M_t V_t^T \quad \text{Predicted covariance}$$



### 1. EKF\_localization ( $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_{t'}, z_{t'} m$ ):

**Correction:**

2.  $\hat{z}_t = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{(m_x - \bar{\mu}_{t,x})^2 + (m_y - \bar{\mu}_{t,y})^2} \\ \text{atan2}(m_y - \bar{\mu}_{t,y}, m_x - \bar{\mu}_{t,x}) - \bar{\mu}_{t,\theta} \end{pmatrix}$  Predicted measurement mean

3.  $H_t = \frac{\partial h(\bar{\mu}_t, m)}{\partial x_t} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial r_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,x}} & \frac{\partial r_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,y}} & \frac{\partial r_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,\theta}} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,x}} & \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,y}} & \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,\theta}} \end{pmatrix}$  Jacobian of  $h$  w.r.t location

4.  $Q_t = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_\varphi^2 \end{pmatrix}$

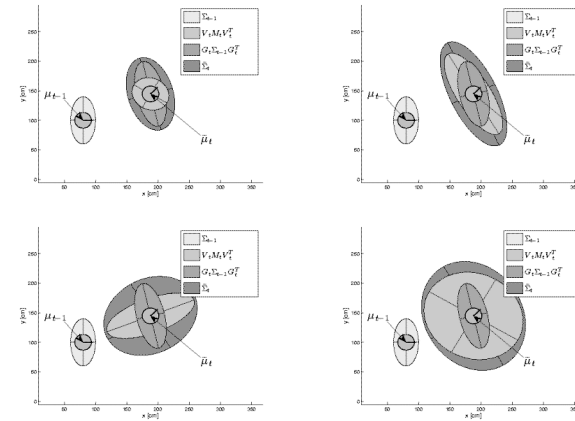
5.  $S_t = H_t \bar{\Sigma}_t H_t^T + Q_t$  Pred. measurement covariance

6.  $K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t H_t^T S_t^{-1}$  Kalman gain

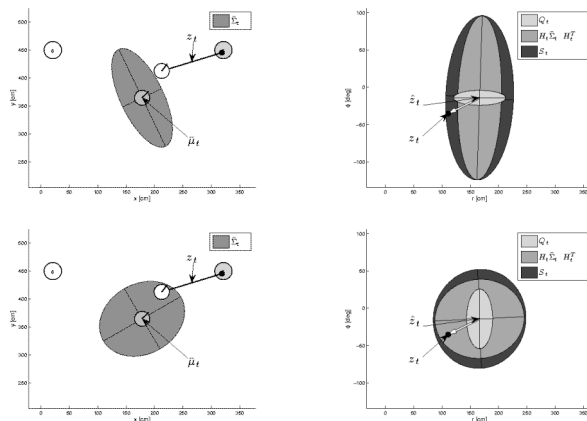
7.  $\mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - \hat{z}_t)$  Updated mean

8.  $\Sigma_t = (I - K_t H_t) \bar{\Sigma}_t$  Updated covariance

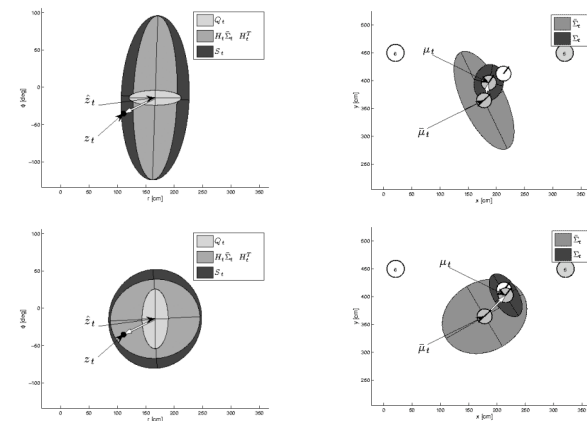
### EKF Prediction Step



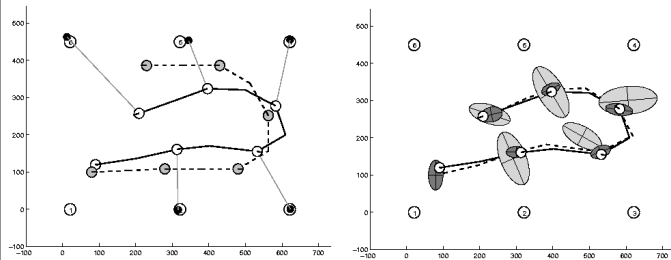
### EKF Observation Prediction Step



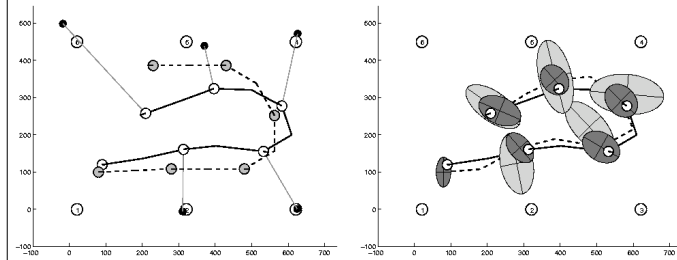
### EKF Correction Step



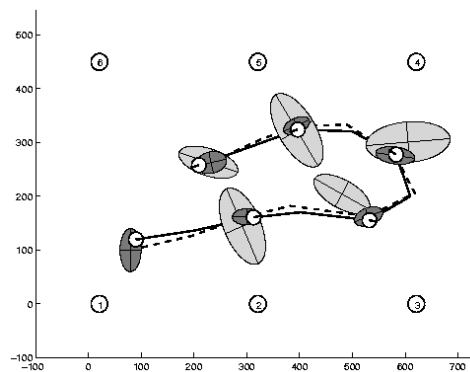
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## Estimation Sequence (2)



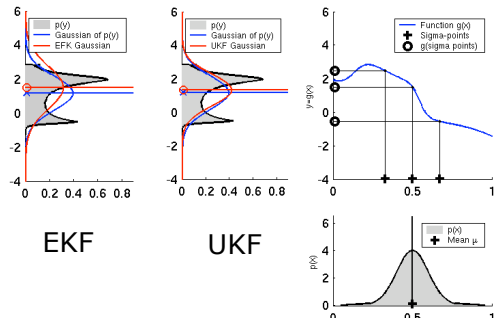
## Comparison to GroundTruth



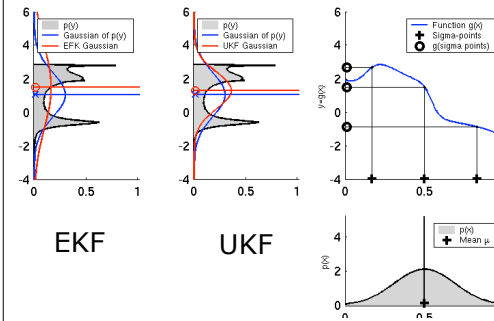
## EKF Summary

- **Highly efficient:** Polynomial in measurement dimensionality  $k$  and state dimensionality  $n$ :  
 $O(k^{2.376} + n^2)$
- **Not optimal!**
- Can **diverge** if nonlinearities are large!
- Works surprisingly well even when all assumptions are violated!

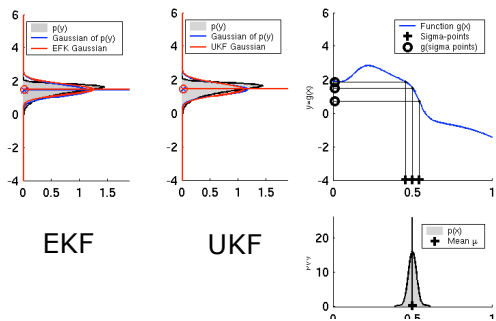
## Linearization via Unscented Transform



## UKF Sigma-Point Estimate (2)



## UKF Sigma-Point Estimate (3)



## Unscented Transform

Sigma points

Weights

$$\chi^0 = \mu$$

$$w_m^0 = \frac{\lambda}{n + \lambda} \quad w_c^0 = \frac{\lambda}{n + \lambda} + (1 - \alpha^2 + \beta)$$

$$\chi^i = \mu \pm \left( \sqrt{(n + \lambda)\Sigma} \right) \quad w_m^i = w_c^i = \frac{1}{2(n + \lambda)} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, 2n$$

Pass sigma points through nonlinear function

$$\psi^i = g(\chi^i)$$

Recover mean and covariance

$$\mu' = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} w_m^i \psi^i$$

$$\Sigma' = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} w_c^i (\psi^i - \mu)(\psi^i - \mu)^T$$

### UKF\_localization ( $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t, m$ ):

#### Prediction:

$$M_t = \begin{pmatrix} (\alpha_1 |v_x| + \alpha_2 |w_x|)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (\alpha_3 |v_y| + \alpha_4 |w_y|)^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Motion noise}$$

$$Q_t = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_r^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Measurement noise}$$

$$\mu_{t-1}^a = (\mu_{t-1}^x \ 0 \ 0)^T \quad \text{Augmented state mean}$$

$$\Sigma_{t-1}^a = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{t-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_t \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Augmented covariance}$$

$$\chi_{t-1}^a = (\mu_{t-1}^a \ \mu_{t-1}^a + \gamma \sqrt{\Sigma_{t-1}^a} \ \mu_{t-1}^a - \gamma \sqrt{\Sigma_{t-1}^a}) \quad \text{Sigma points}$$

$$\bar{\chi}_t^x = g(u_t + \chi_{t-1}^a, \chi_{t-1}^x) \quad \text{Prediction of sigma points}$$

$$\bar{\mu}_t = \sum_{i=0}^{2L} w_m^i \chi_{i,t}^x \quad \text{Predicted mean}$$

$$\bar{\Sigma}_t = \sum_{i=0}^{2L} w_c^i (\chi_{i,t}^x - \bar{\mu}_t)(\chi_{i,t}^x - \bar{\mu}_t)^T \quad \text{Predicted covariance}$$

### UKF\_localization ( $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t, m$ ):

#### Correction:

$$\bar{Z}_t = h(\bar{\chi}_t^x) + \chi_t^z \quad \text{Measurement sigma points}$$

$$\hat{z}_t = \sum_{i=0}^{2L} w_m^i \bar{Z}_{i,t} \quad \text{Predicted measurement mean}$$

$$S_t = \sum_{i=0}^{2L} w_c^i (\bar{Z}_{i,t} - \hat{z}_t)(\bar{Z}_{i,t} - \hat{z}_t)^T \quad \text{Pred. measurement covariance}$$

$$\Sigma_t^{x,z} = \sum_{i=0}^{2L} w_c^i (\bar{\chi}_{i,t}^x - \bar{\mu}_t)(\bar{Z}_{i,t} - \hat{z}_t)^T \quad \text{Cross-covariance}$$

$$K_t = \Sigma_t^{x,z} S_t^{-1} \quad \text{Kalman gain}$$

$$\mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - \hat{z}_t) \quad \text{Updated mean}$$

$$\Sigma_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t - K_t S_t K_t^T \quad \text{Updated covariance}$$

### 1. EKF\_localization ( $\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}, u_t, z_t, m$ ):

#### Correction:

$$2. \hat{z}_t = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{(m_x - \bar{\mu}_{t,x})^2 + (m_y - \bar{\mu}_{t,y})^2} \\ \text{atan2}(m_y - \bar{\mu}_{t,y}, m_x - \bar{\mu}_{t,x}) - \bar{\mu}_{t,\theta} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Predicted measurement mean}$$

$$3. H_t = \frac{\partial h(\bar{\mu}_t, m)}{\partial \bar{\mu}_t} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial r_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,x}} & \frac{\partial r_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,y}} & \frac{\partial r_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,\theta}} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,x}} & \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,y}} & \frac{\partial \varphi_t}{\partial \bar{\mu}_{t,\theta}} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Jacobian of } h \text{ w.r.t location}$$

$$4. Q_t = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_r^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

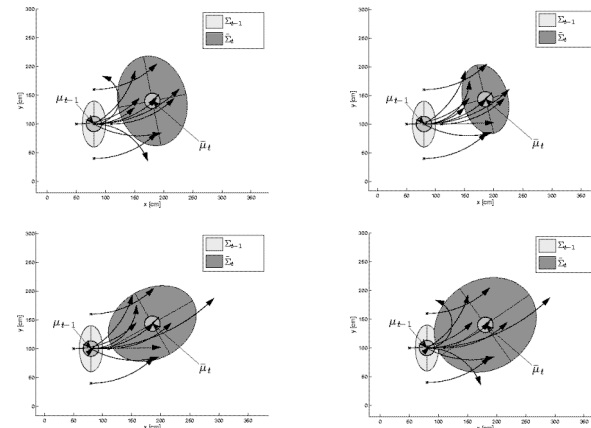
$$5. S_t = H_t \bar{\Sigma}_t H_t^T + Q_t \quad \text{Pred. measurement covariance}$$

$$6. K_t = \bar{\Sigma}_t H_t^T S_t^{-1} \quad \text{Kalman gain}$$

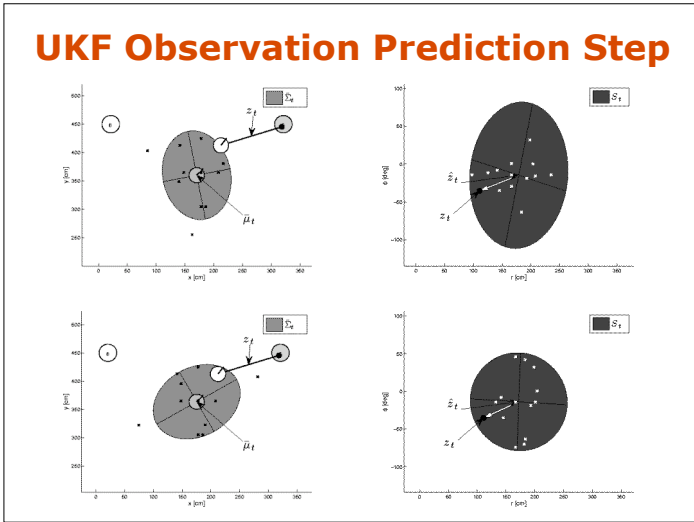
$$7. \mu_t = \bar{\mu}_t + K_t(z_t - \hat{z}_t) \quad \text{Updated mean}$$

$$8. \Sigma_t = (I - K_t H_t) \bar{\Sigma}_t \quad \text{Updated covariance}$$

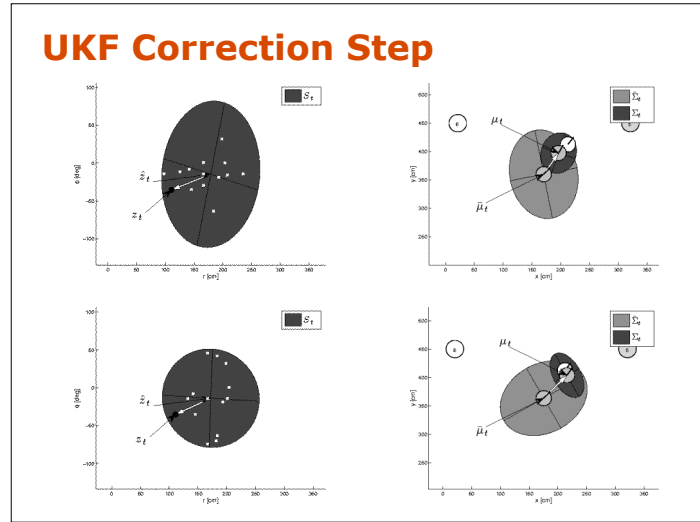
### UKF Prediction Step



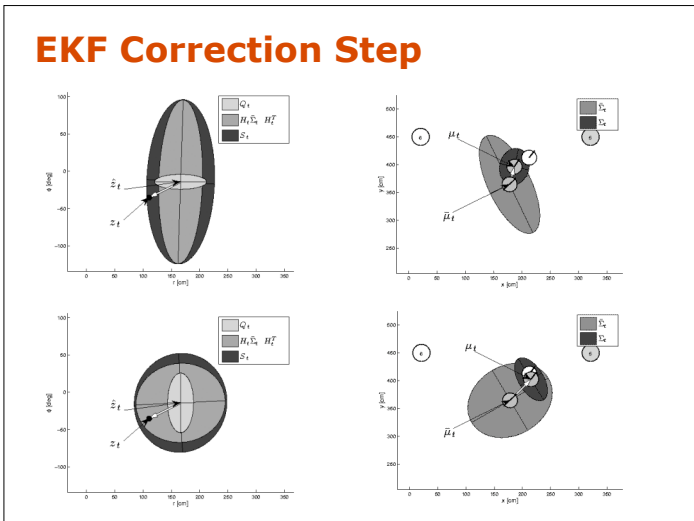
## UKF Observation Prediction Step



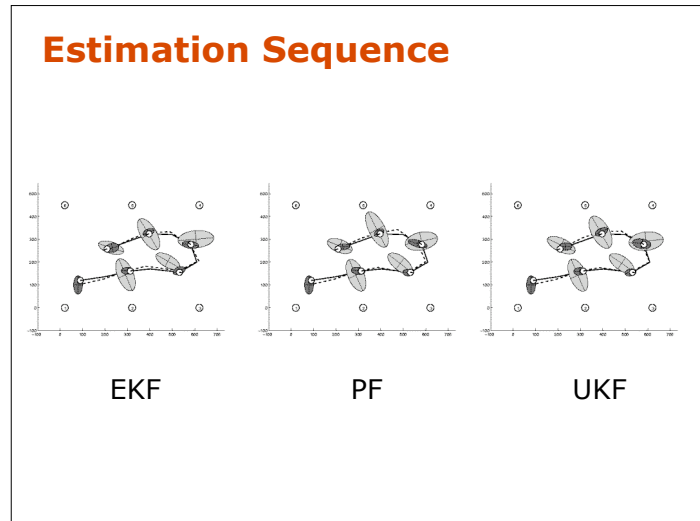
## UKF Correction Step



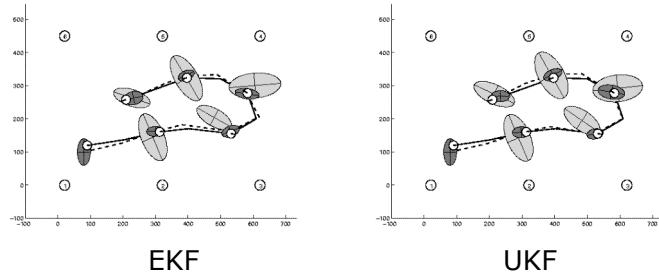
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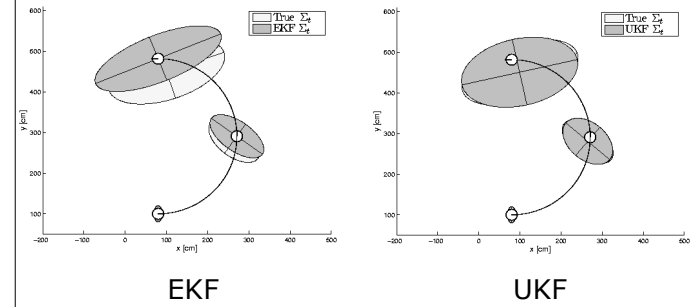
## Estimation Sequence



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## Prediction Quality



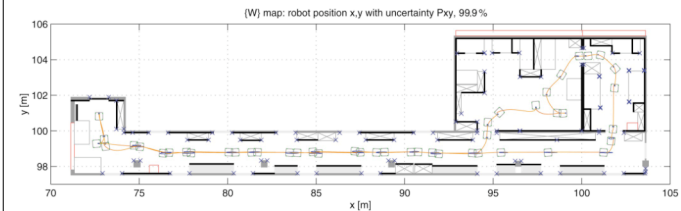
## UKF Summary

- **Highly efficient:** Same complexity as EKF, with a constant factor slower in typical practical applications
- **Better linearization than EKF:** Accurate in first two terms of Taylor expansion (EKF only first term)
- **Derivative-free:** No Jacobians needed
- **Still not optimal!**

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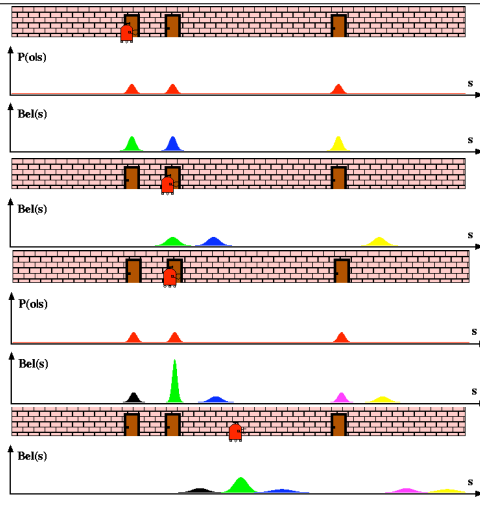
## Kalman Filter-based System

- [Arras et al. 98]:
  - Laser range-finder and vision
  - High precision (<1cm accuracy)



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## Multi-hypothesis Tracking



## Localization With MHT

- Belief is represented by multiple hypotheses
- Each hypothesis is tracked by a Kalman filter
- **Additional problems:**
  - **Data association:** Which observation corresponds to which hypothesis?
  - **Hypothesis management:** When to add / delete hypotheses?
- Huge body of literature on target tracking, motion correspondence etc.

## MHT: Implemented System (1)

- Hypotheses are extracted from LRF scans
- Each hypothesis has probability of being the correct one:

$$H_i = \{\hat{x}_i, \Sigma_i, P(H_i)\}$$

- Hypothesis probability is computed using Bayes' rule

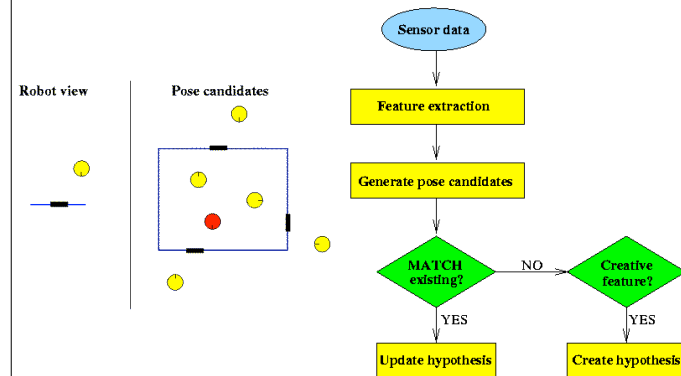
$$P(H_i | s) = \frac{P(s | H_i)P(H_i)}{P(s)}$$

- Hypotheses with low probability are deleted.
- New candidates are extracted from LRF scans.

$$C_j = \{z_j, R_j\}$$

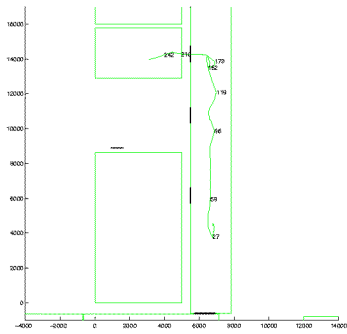
[Jensfelt et al. '00]

## MHT: Implemented System (2)

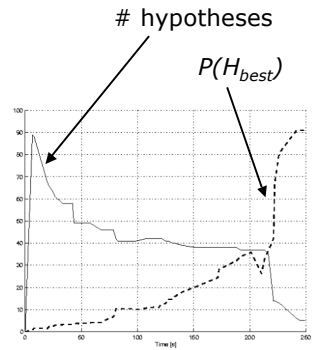


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## MHT: Implemented System (3) Example run



Map and trajectory



# hypotheses vs. time

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