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# Recap: Course Overview

Filtering/Smoothing

Localization

Mapping

SLAM

Search

Motion Planning

TrajOpt

Stability/Certification

MDPs and RL

Imitation Learning

Solving POMDPs

# Lecture Outline

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Recap



Bayesian Filtering



Gaussian Properties



Kalman Filtering

# Recap: Bayes Rule and Recursive Bayesian Updates

$$P(x|y) = \frac{P(y|x)P(x)}{P(y)}$$

$$P(x|y, z) = \frac{P(y|x, z)P(x|z)}{P(y|z)}$$



Recursive update to integrate in multiple measurements

$$P(x|z_1, \dots, z_n) = \eta_{1:n} \prod_{i=1, \dots, n} P(z_i|x)P(x)$$

# Recap: Bayes Rule and Recursive Bayesian Updates

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**Markov assumption:**  $z_n$  is conditionally independent of  $z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}$  given  $x$ .

$$p(z_n|x, z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}) = p(z_n|x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x|z_1, \dots, z_n) &= \frac{P(z_n|x)P(x|z_1, \dots, z_{n-1})}{P(z_n|z_1, \dots, z_{n-1})} \\ &= \eta P(z_n|x)P(x|z_1, \dots, z_{n-1}) \\ &= \eta_{1:n} \prod_{i=1, \dots, n} P(z_i|x)P(x) \end{aligned}$$

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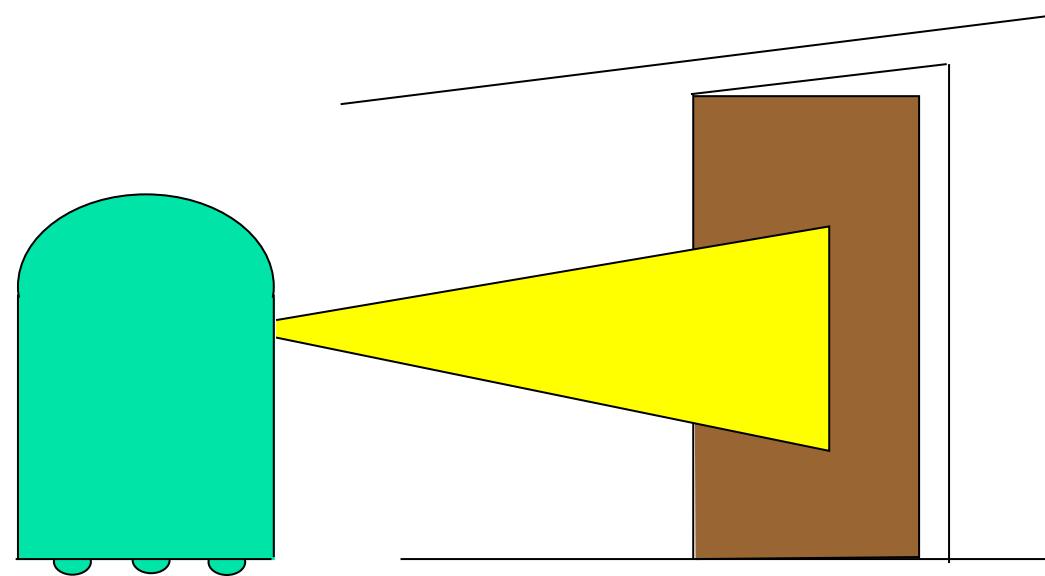
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# Let's estimate "state" of our robot

- What affects uncertainty:
  - Robot actions (increase uncertainty typically)
  - Sensor measurements (decrease uncertainty typically)



# Bayes Filters: Framework

- **Given:**

- Stream of observations  $\mathbf{z}$  and action data  $\mathbf{u}$ :

$$d_t = \{z_0, u_0, z_1, u_1, \dots, z_t\}$$

- Sensor model  $P(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})$ .
  - Action model  $P(\mathbf{x}'|\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x})$
  - Prior probability of the initial system state  $P(\mathbf{x})$ .

- **Wanted:**

- Estimate of the state  $\mathbf{X}$  of a dynamical system.
  - The posterior of the state is also called **Belief**:

$$Bel(x_t) = P(x_t | u_{0:t-1}, z_{0:t})$$

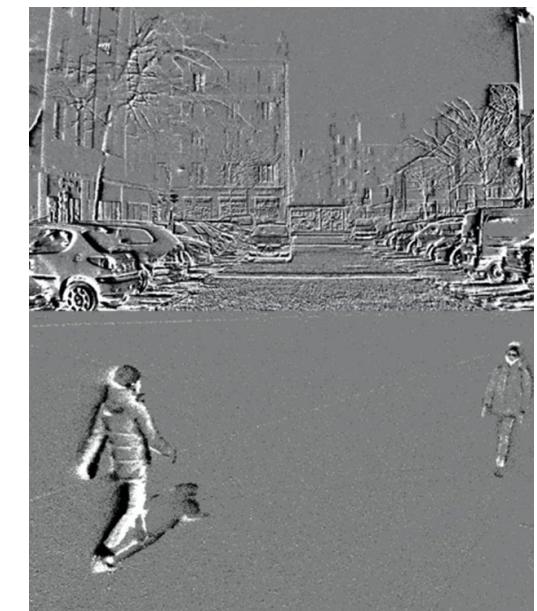
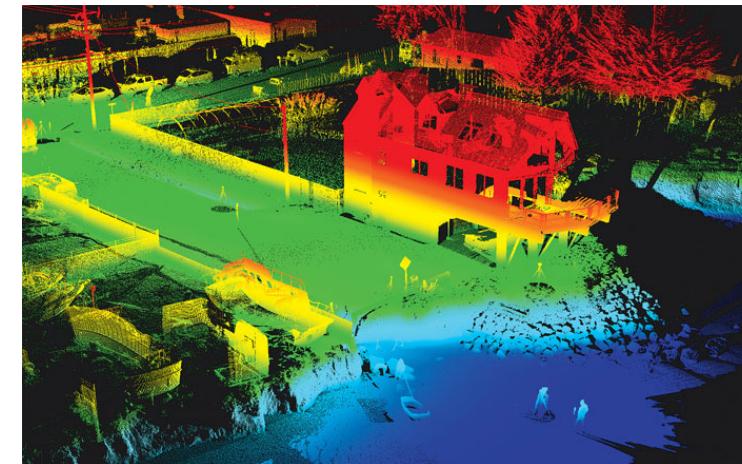
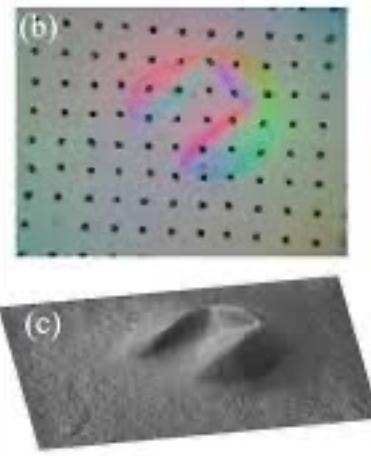
# How do actions increase uncertainty?

- Actions transition the state of the system forward  $x \rightarrow x'$ 
  - But they may (and usually) do so with errors/noise!
- Robot wheels have slippage/noise, joints have stochasticity, environment introduces noise



# How do sensors reduce uncertainty?

- Measurements usually convey more information about the state of the world
- Sensor readings can range from images to laser scans to tactile sensing, each of which has a different effect on uncertainty



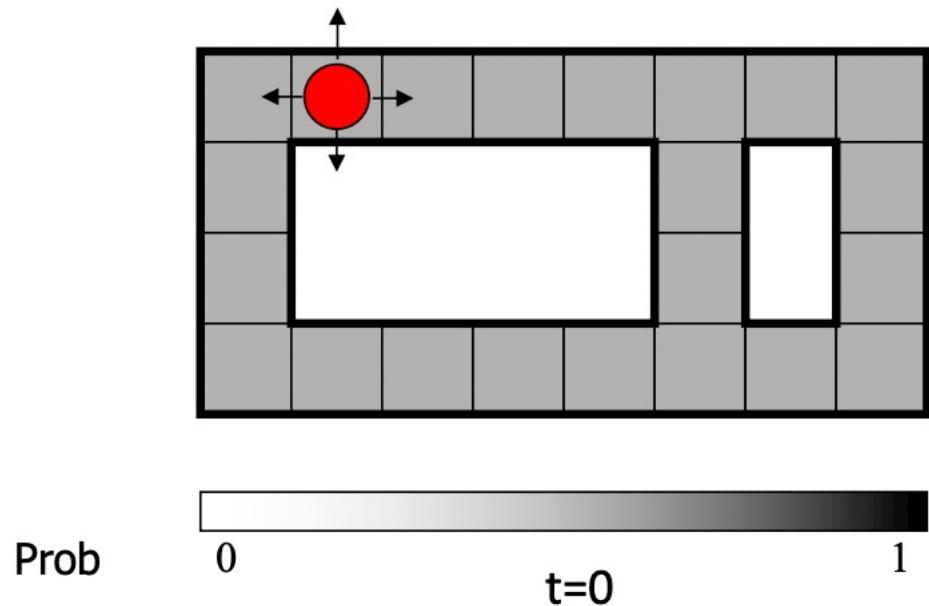
# Filtering

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- Filtering is the process of making sense (“filtering”) of sensor measurements and actions to estimate the system state
- Many different types of filters:
  - Matched filters (known signal)
  - Wiener filters (signal from noise)
  - Bayesian filters (bayesian state estimation)
    - Kalman
    - EKF / UKF
    - ....

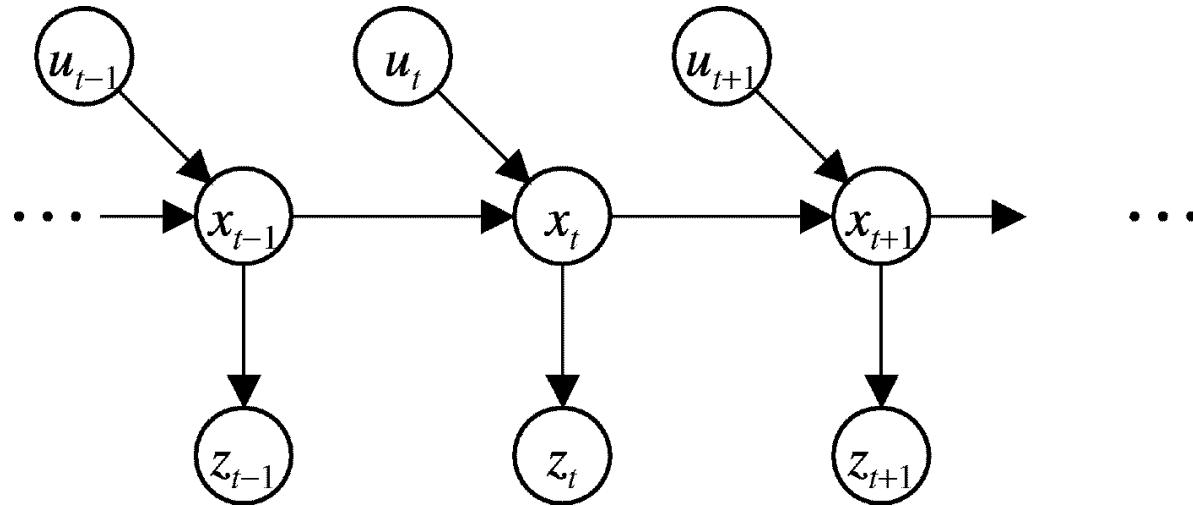
# Example Situation for Filtering

“Where is my robot?”



- Sensor model: never more than 1 mistake
- Know the heading (North, East, South or West)
- Motion model: may not execute action with small prob.

# Markov Assumption



$$p(x_t | z_{0:t-1}, u_{0:t-1}, x_{0:t-1}) = p(x_t | x_{t-1}, u_{t-1})$$
$$p(z_t | x_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1}, z_{0:t-1}) = p(z_t | x_t)$$

## Underlying Assumptions

- Static world
- Independent noise
- Perfect model, no approximation errors

# Bayes Filters

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 $u$  = action  
 $x$  = state

$$Bel(x_t) = P(x_t | u_{0:t-1}, z_{0:t})$$

We want to recursively express  $Bel(x_t)$  in terms of three entities

$$p(z_t | x_t)$$

Measurement

$$p(x_t | x_{t-1}, u_{t-1})$$

Dynamics

$$Bel(x_{t-1})$$

Previous Belief

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$$Bel(x_{t-1}) + p(x_t | x_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) \xrightarrow{\text{Integrate in effect of action}} \overline{Bel}(x_t)$$

Previous Belief                          Dynamics

With integration → understand the effect of taking an action

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Integrate in Measurement

Previous Belief                  Measurement

With normalization → understand the effect of your latest measurement

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Remember: Bayes Rule

$$P(y, x) = P(y|x)p(x)$$

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\sum_x P(y, x)}$$

$$P(x|y) = \eta P(y, x)$$

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Remember: Marginalization

$$p(x) = \int p(x, y) dy$$

$$p(x, y) = p(x|y)p(y)$$

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Step 2: Measurement Update

Incorporate the effect of new measurements on uncertainty (typically decreases)

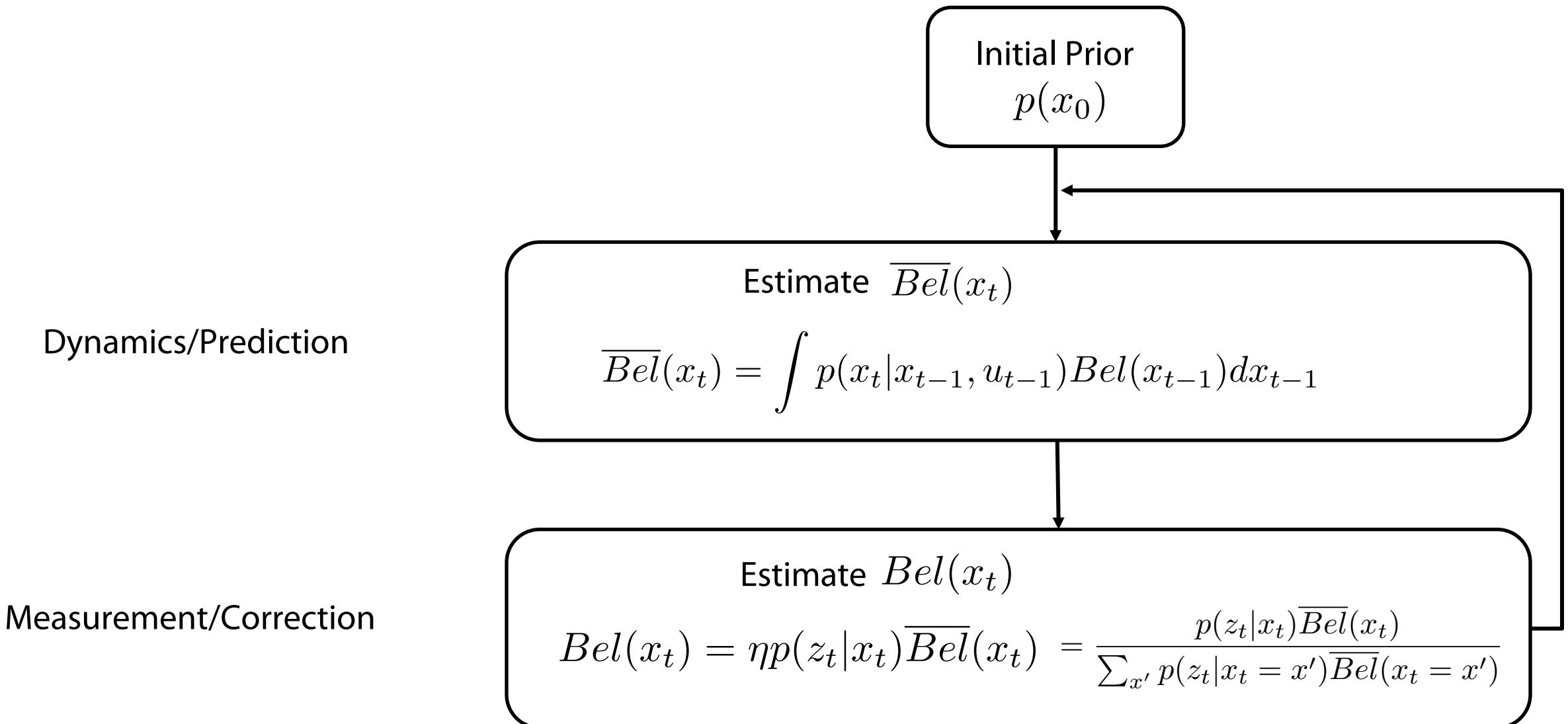
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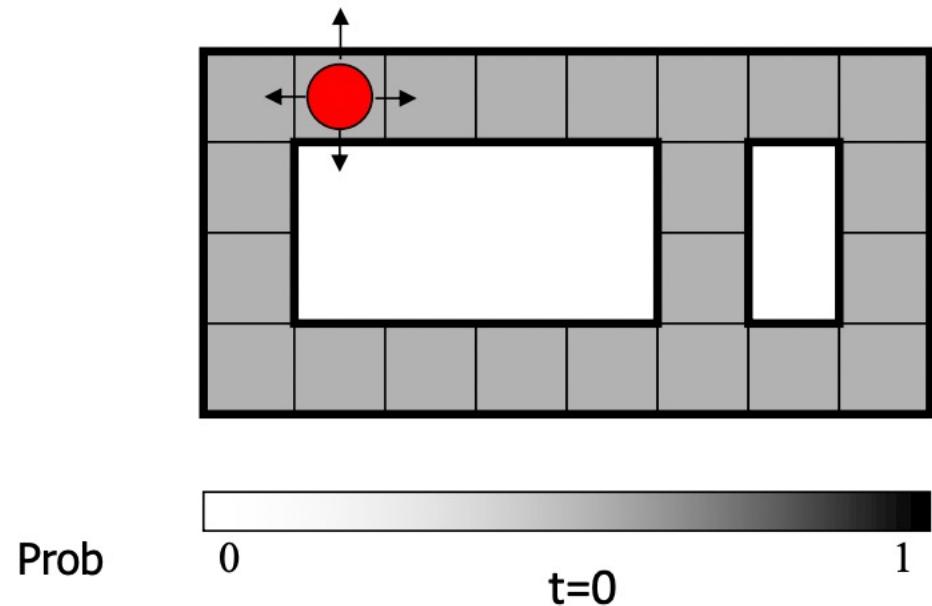
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All Bayes filter iterate between performing the dynamics (prediction) step and the measurement (correction) step

# Bayes Filter Algorithm

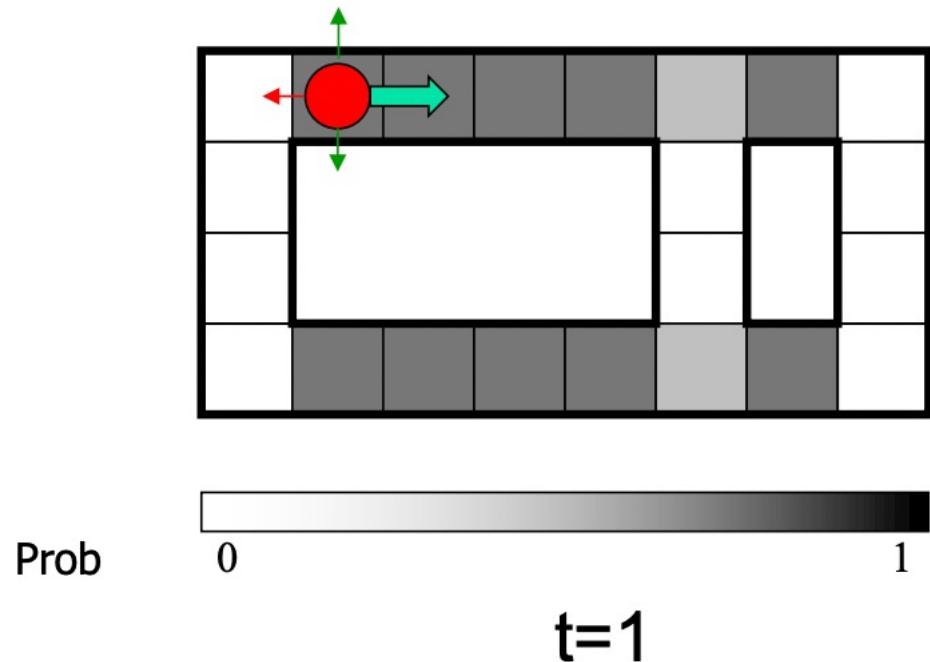


# Example Run for Localization



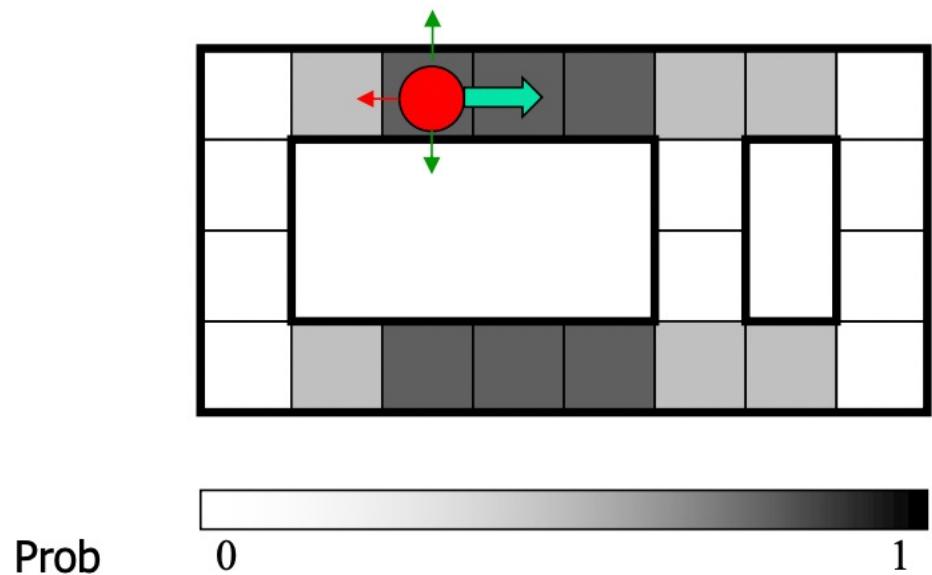
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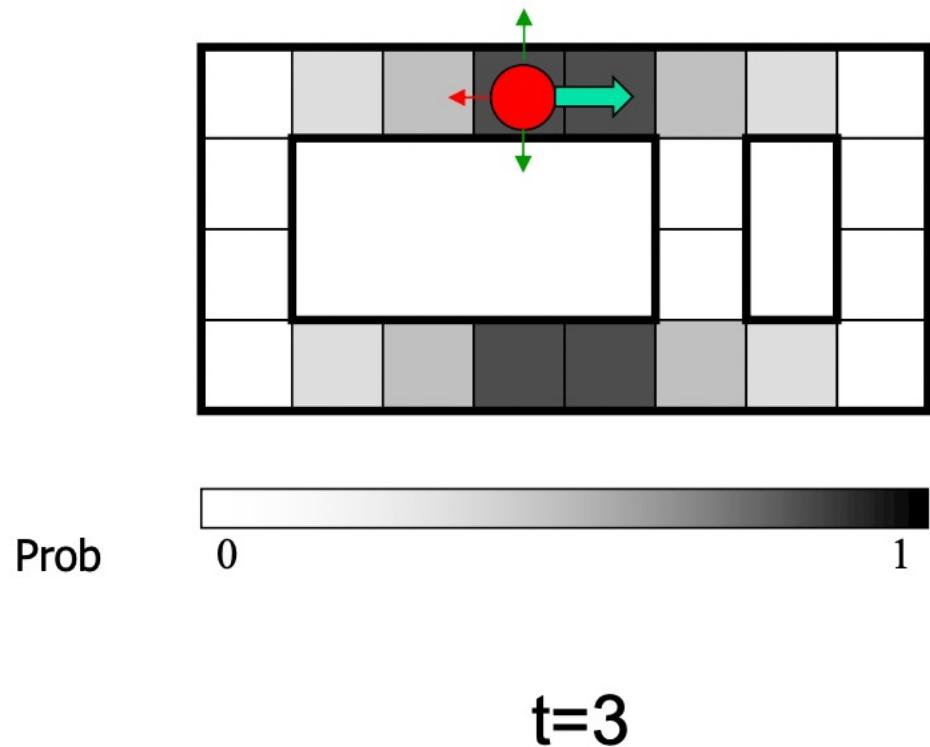
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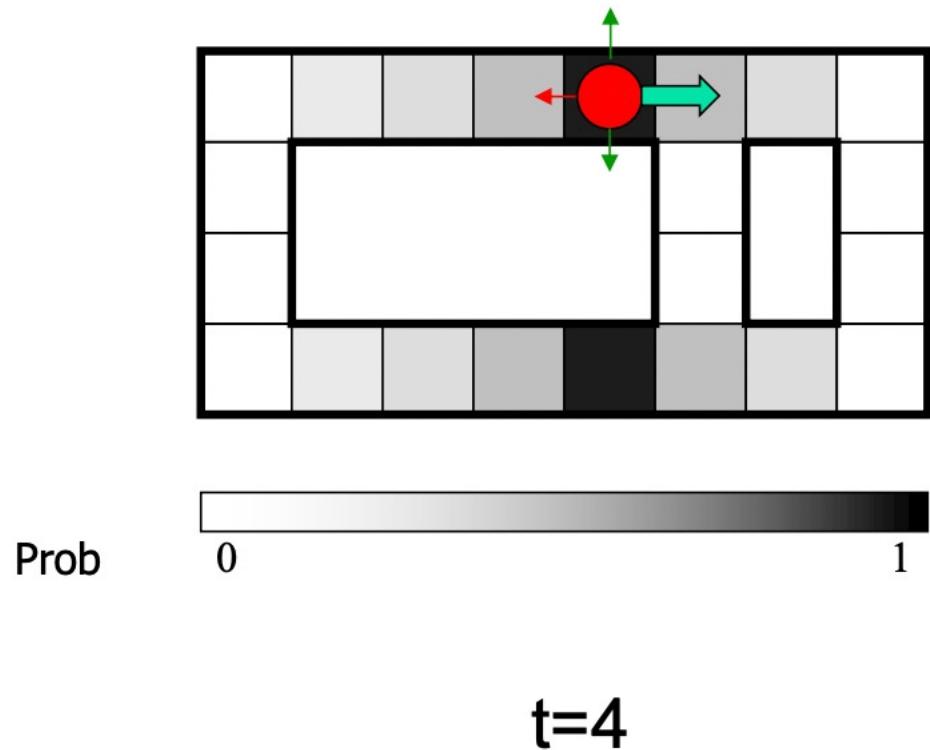
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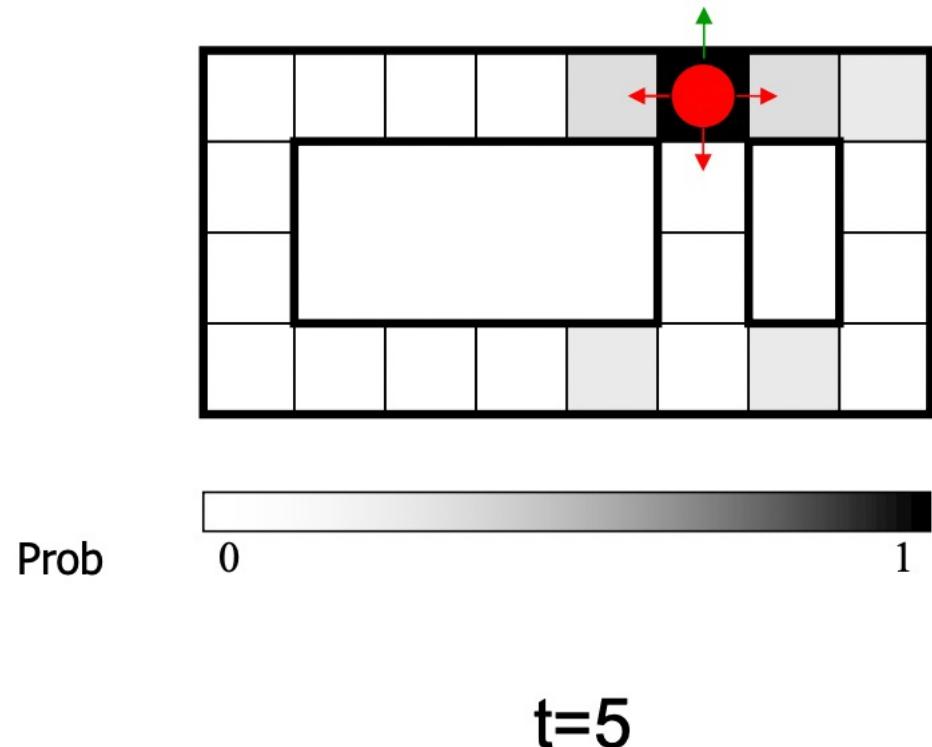
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# Bayes Filters are Familiar!

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$$Bel(x_t) = \eta \ P(z_t | x_t) \int P(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) Bel(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$$

- Kalman filters
- Particle filters
- Hidden Markov models
- Dynamic Bayesian networks
- Partially Observable Markov Decision Processes (POMDPs)

# Why is this difficult?

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$$Bel(x_t) = \eta \ P(z_t | x_t) \int P(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) Bel(x_{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$$


Tractable Bayesian inference is challenging in the general case

We will work out the conjugate prior and discrete case,  
leaving the MCMC/VI cases as an exercise

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# Recap: Bayesian Filters

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- Measurement (Correction)

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# What makes this challenging?

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Tractable computation of Bayesian posteriors

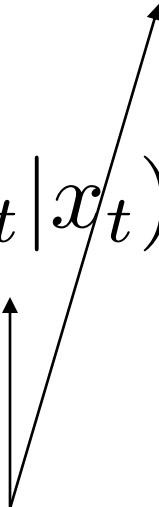
# How can we make this more tractable?

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Model as Linear Gaussian

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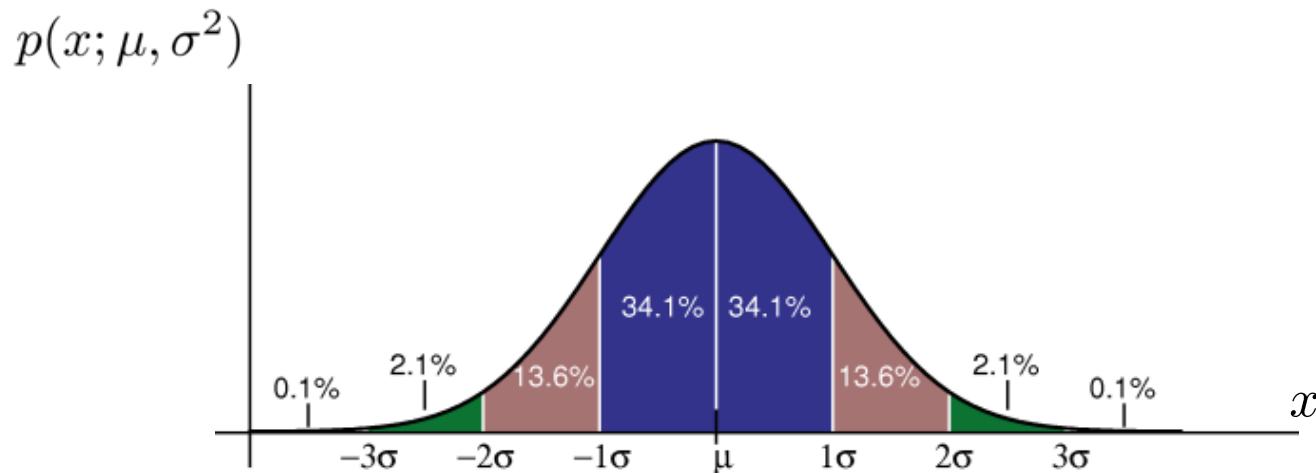
Let's take a little Gaussian detour

# Gaussians (1D)

- Gaussian with mean ( $\mu$ ) and standard deviation ( $\sigma$ )

$$X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$p(x; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$



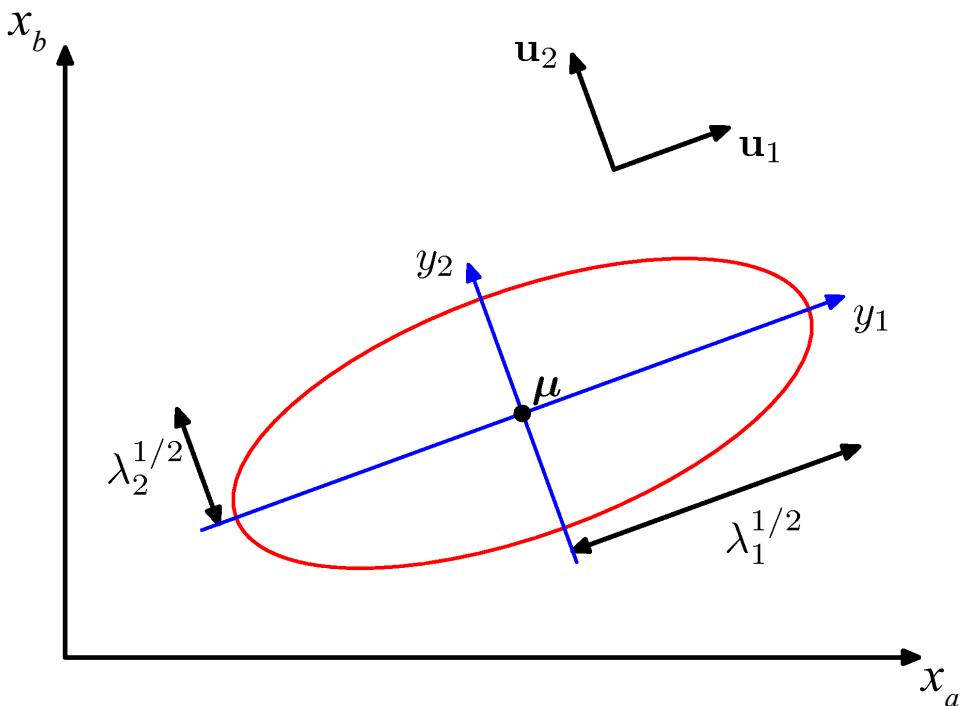
# Gaussians (2D)

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_a \\ x_b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_a \\ \mu_b \end{pmatrix}$$

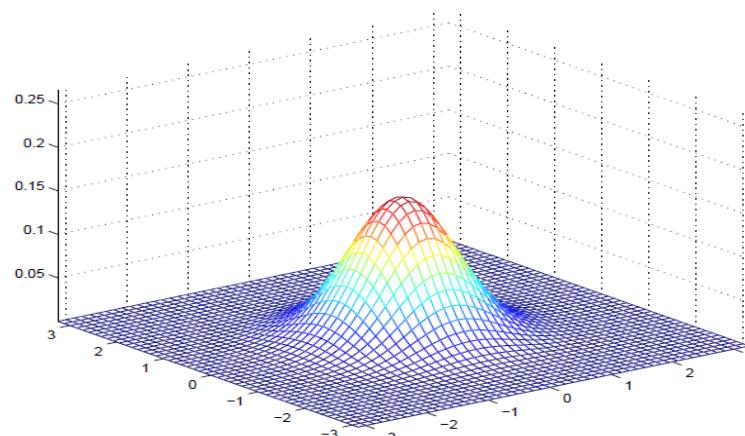
$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{aa} & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_{bb} \end{pmatrix}$$

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

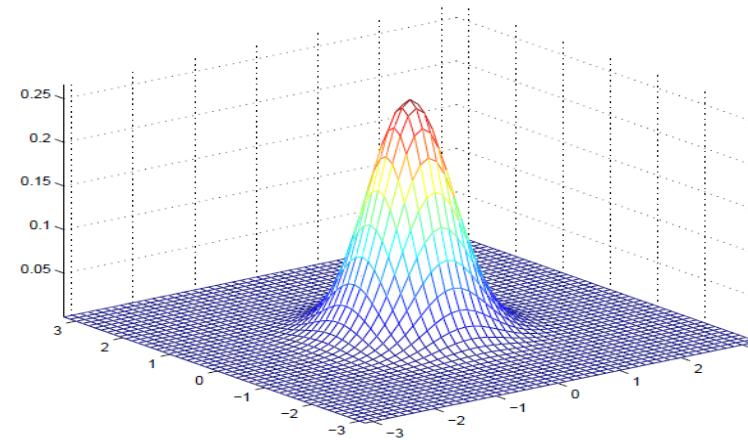


# 2D examples

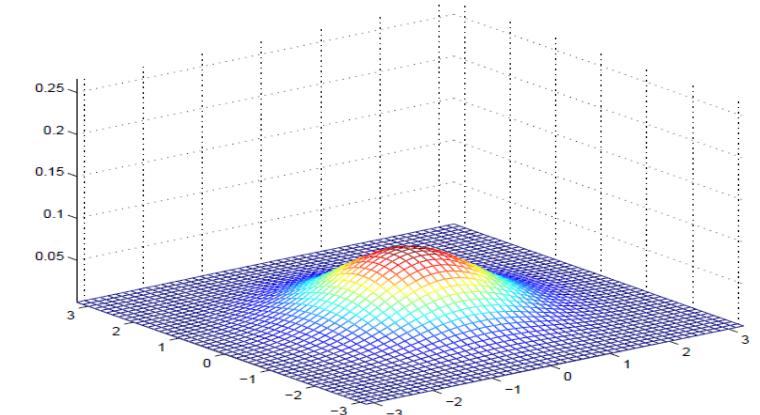
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- $\mu = [0; 0]$
- $\Sigma = [I \ 0 ; 0 \ I]$



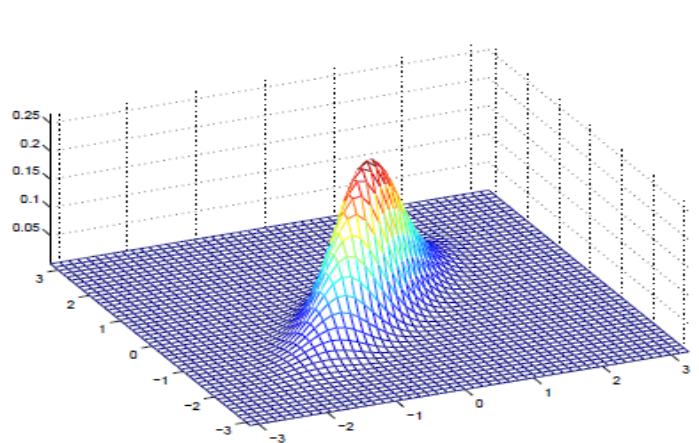
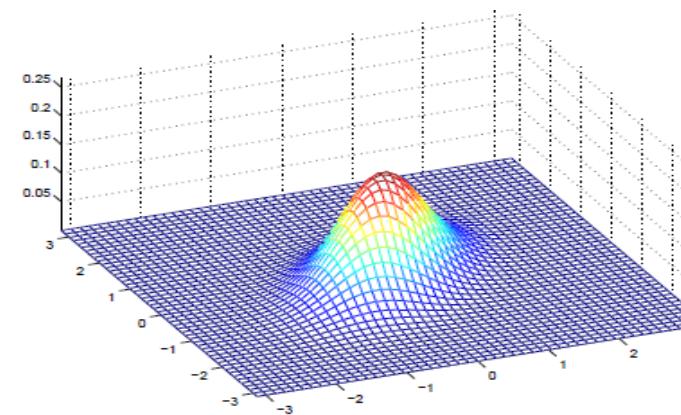
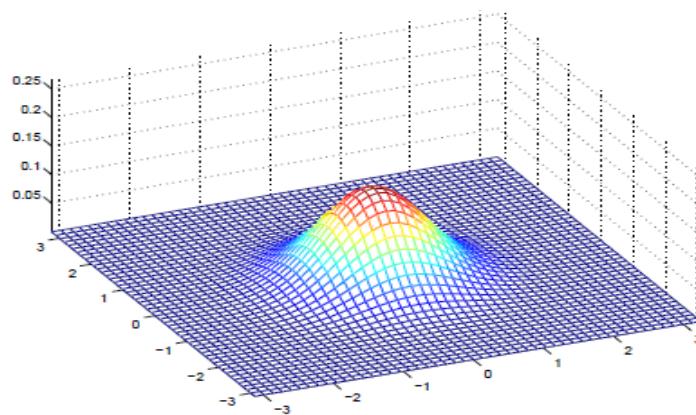
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- $\mu = [0; 0]$
- $\Sigma = [2 \ 0 ; 0 \ 2]$

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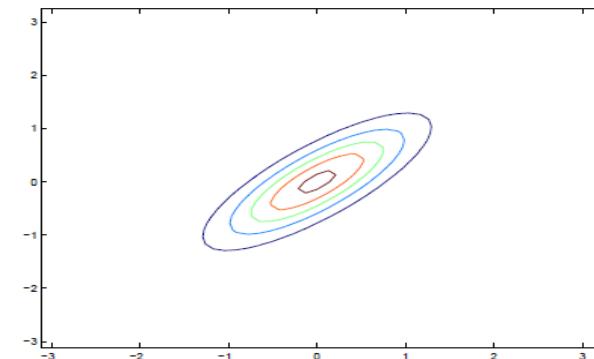
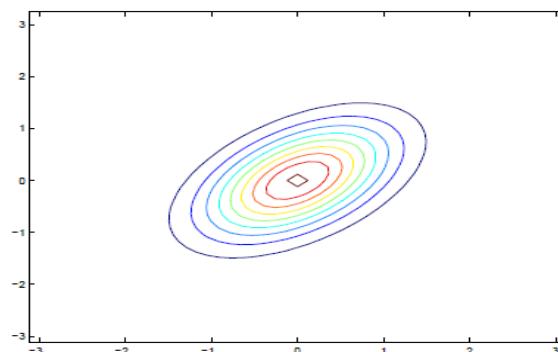
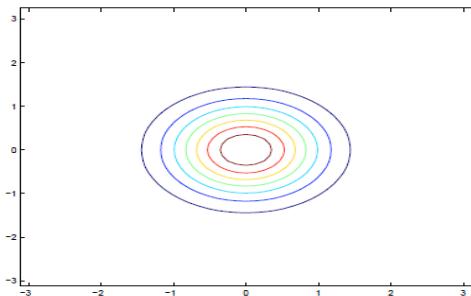
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- $\mu = [0; 0]$
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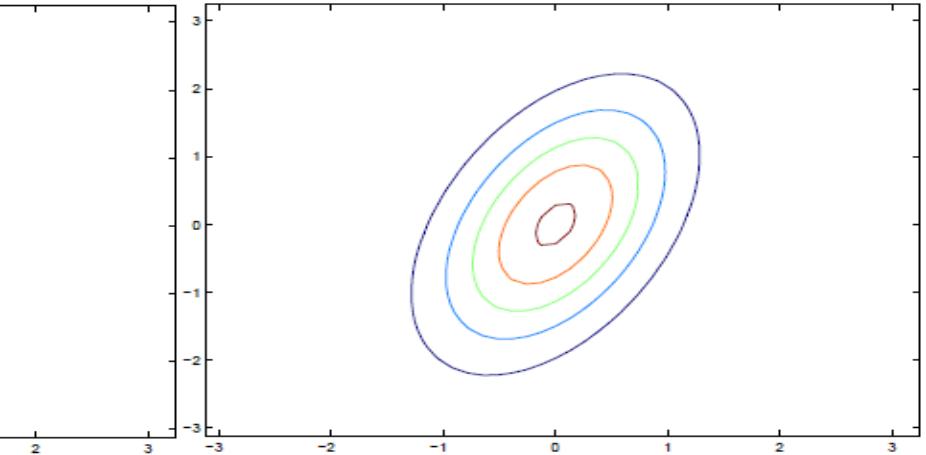
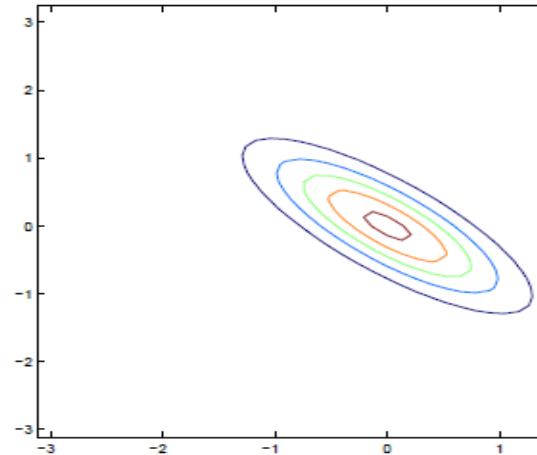
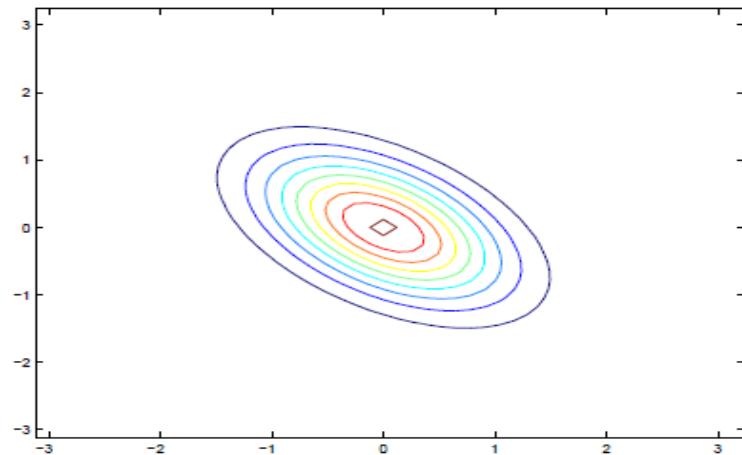
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# 2D examples

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# Multivariate Gaussians

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

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

- Marginalization and conditioning in Gaussians results in Gaussians
- We stay in the “Gaussian world” as long as we start with Gaussians and perform only linear transformations.

Let's show how!

# Partitioned Multivariate Gaussians

$$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma) = \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{XX} & \Sigma_{XY} \\ \Sigma_{YX} & \Sigma_{YY} \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$p\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} ; \mu, \Sigma\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{0.5}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix} \right)^T \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{XX} & \Sigma_{XY} \\ \Sigma_{YX} & \Sigma_{YY} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix} \right)\right)$$

Let us consider an arbitrary partitioning of a multivariate Gaussian

What is  $p(x)$  and  $p(x|y=y_0)$ ?

Marginal

Conditional

# Important Gaussian Identities

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- Marginalization:

$$p(X) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X, \Sigma_{XX})$$

$$p(Y) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_Y, \Sigma_{YY})$$

- Conditioning

$$p(X|Y = y_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X + \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}(y_0 - \mu_Y), \Sigma_{XX} - \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}\Sigma_{YX})$$

# Marginalization of Gaussian

$$p(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}; \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{2\pi^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{0.5}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix} \right)^T \begin{bmatrix} \Gamma_{XX} & \Gamma_{XY} \\ \Gamma_{YX} & \Gamma_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix} \right) \right)$$

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Sketch:

1. We will write out the whole likelihood in quadratic form
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# Conditioning with Gaussians

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$$p(x|Y = y_0) \propto p\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}; \mu, \Sigma\right)$$

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# Proofs (Skipped in Lecture)

# Recap of linear algebra lemmas

## ■ Matrix Inversion Lemma

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (M \setminus D)^{-1} & -A^{-1}B(M \setminus A)^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}C(M \setminus D)^{-1} & (M \setminus A)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(M \setminus A) = D - CA^{-1}B$$

Schur Complement

$$(M \setminus D) = A - BD^{-1}C$$

# Partitioned Multivariate Gaussians: Dual

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \Gamma_{XX} & \Gamma_{XY} \\ \Gamma_{YX} & \Gamma_{YY} \end{bmatrix} = \Sigma^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{XX} & \Sigma_{XY} \\ \Sigma_{YX} & \Sigma_{YY} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

Remember matrix lemmas

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$$\Gamma_{YX} = -\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}\Sigma_{YX}(\Sigma_{XX} - \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}\Sigma_{YX})^{-1}$$

# Important Gaussian Identities

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- Marginalization:

$$p(X) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X, \Sigma_{XX})$$

$$p(Y) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_Y, \Sigma_{YY})$$

- Conditioning

$$p(X|Y = y_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X + \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}(y_0 - \mu_Y), \Sigma_{XX} - \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}\Sigma_{YX})$$

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# Marginalization Recap

$$p\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}; \mu, \Sigma\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{0.5}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix}\right)^T \begin{bmatrix} \Gamma_{XX} & \Gamma_{XY} \\ \Gamma_{YX} & \Gamma_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix}\right)\right)$$

$$p(x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X, (\Gamma_{XX} - \Gamma_{XY}\Gamma_{YY}^{-1}\Gamma_{YX})^{-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X, \Sigma_{XX})$$

Very simple result for marginalization

Simply grab the appropriate partitioned matrix, same holds for Y

# Conditioning with Gaussians

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$$\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_X)^\top \Gamma_{XX}(x - \mu_X) - (x - \mu_X)^\top \Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y) - \frac{1}{2}(y_0 - \mu_Y)^\top \Gamma_{YY}(y_0 - \mu_Y)\right)$$

$$\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_X)^\top \Gamma_{XX}(x - \mu_X) - (x - \mu_X)^\top \Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y)\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_X)^\top \Gamma_{XX}(x - \mu_X) - (x - \mu_X)^\top \Gamma_{XX}\Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y) - \frac{1}{2}(y_0 - \mu_Y)\Gamma_{YX}\Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XX}\Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y) + \frac{1}{2}(y_0 - \mu_Y)\Gamma_{YX}\Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XX}\Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y)\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_X + \Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y))^\top \Gamma_{XX}(x - \mu_X + \Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y))\right) \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}(y_0 - \mu_Y)\Gamma_{YX}\Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XX}\Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y)\right)$$

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$$= \mathcal{N}(\mu_X + \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}(y_0 - \mu_Y), \Sigma_{XX} - \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}\Sigma_{YX})$$

- Conditional mean shifted depending on  $y_0$
- Covariance not dependent on  $y_0$

# Important Gaussian Identities

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# Lecture Outline

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**Recap**



**Bayesian Filtering**



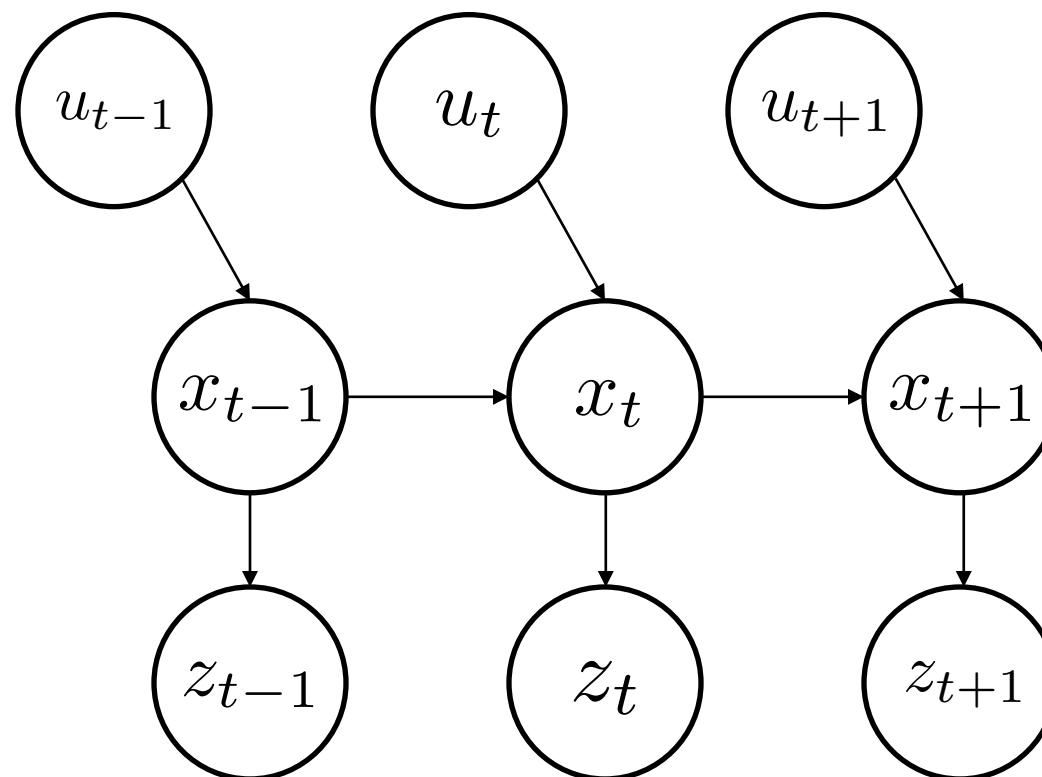
**Gaussian Properties**



**Kalman Filtering**

# Discrete Kalman Filter

Kalman filter = Bayes filter with Linear Gaussian dynamics and sensor models



# Discrete Kalman Filter

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

$$x_{t+1} = Ax_t + Bu_t + \epsilon_t$$

$$\epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, Q)$$

with a measurement

Linear Gaussian

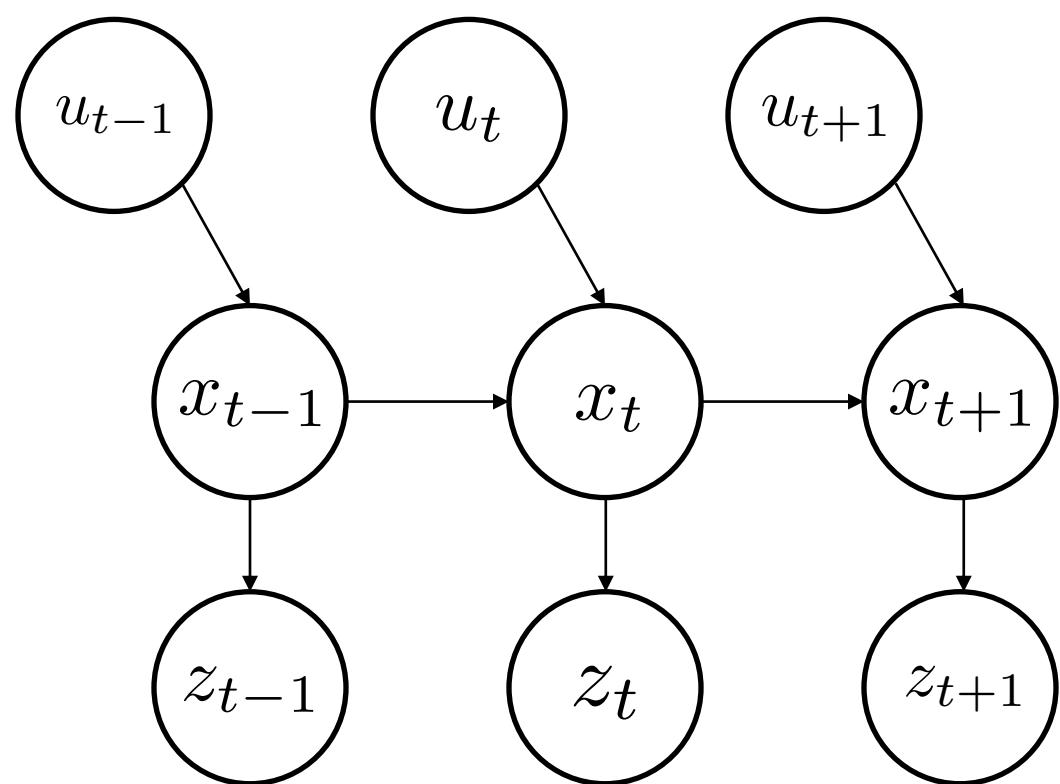
$$z_{t+1} = Cx_{t+1} + \delta_t$$

$$\delta_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, R)$$

# Components of a Kalman Filter

- $A$  Matrix ( $n \times n$ ) that describes how the state evolves from  $t-1$  to  $t$  without controls or noise.
- $B$  Matrix ( $n \times l$ ) that describes how the control  $u_{t-1}$  changes the state from  $t-1$  to  $t$
- $C$  Matrix ( $k \times n$ ) that describes how to map the state  $x_t$  to an observation  $z_t$ .
- $\epsilon_t$  Random variables representing the process and measurement noise that are assumed to be independent and normally distributed with covariance  $R$  and  $Q$  respectively.
- $\delta_t$

# Goal of the Kalman Filter



Belief

$$p(x_t | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t-1})$$

Idea: recursive update for Bayes filter

$$\propto p(z_t | x_t) \int p(x_t | x_{t-1}, u_{t-1}) p(x_{t-1} | z_{0:t-1}, u_{0:t-2}) dx_{t-1}$$

Measurement

Dynamics

Recursive Belief

2 step process:

- Dynamics update (incorporate action)
- Measurement update (incorporate sensor reading)

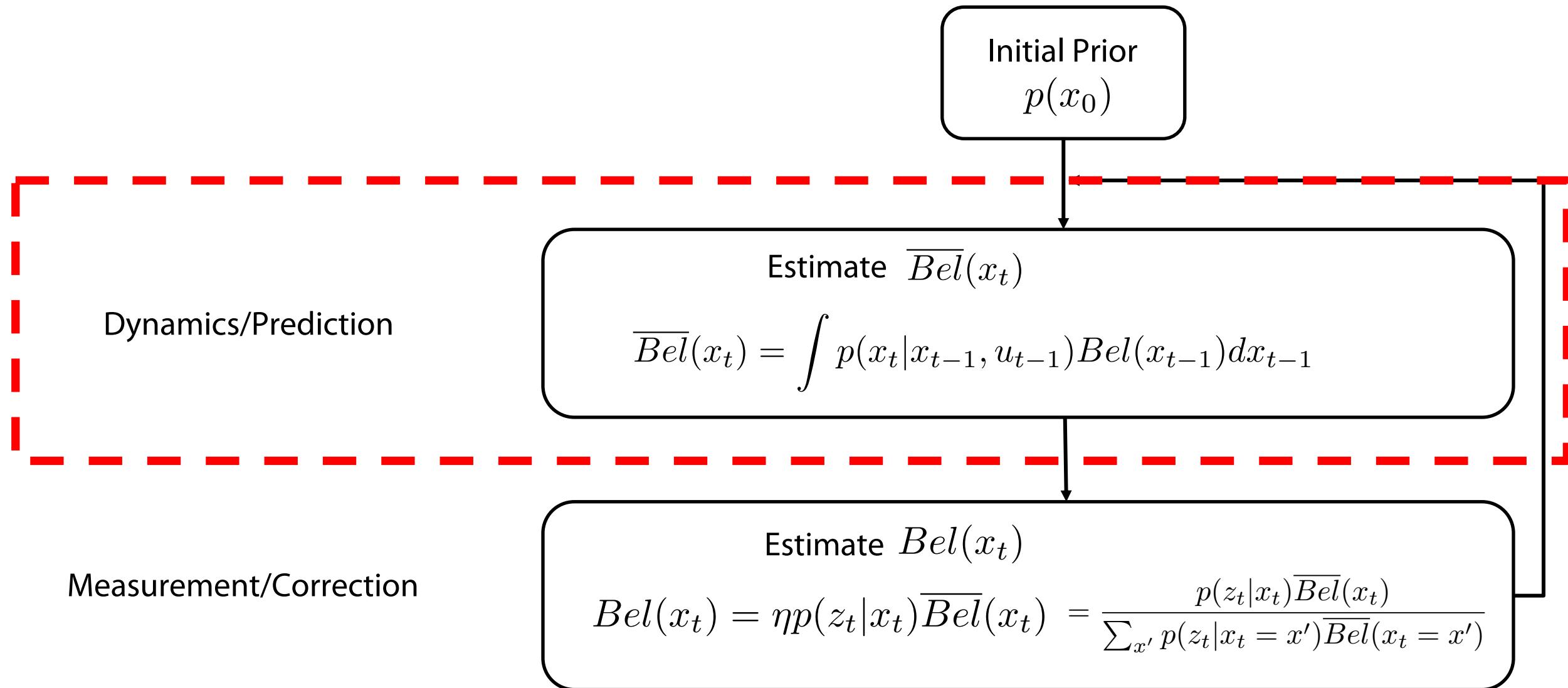
# Linear Gaussian Systems: Initialization

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- Initial belief is normally distributed:

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

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics



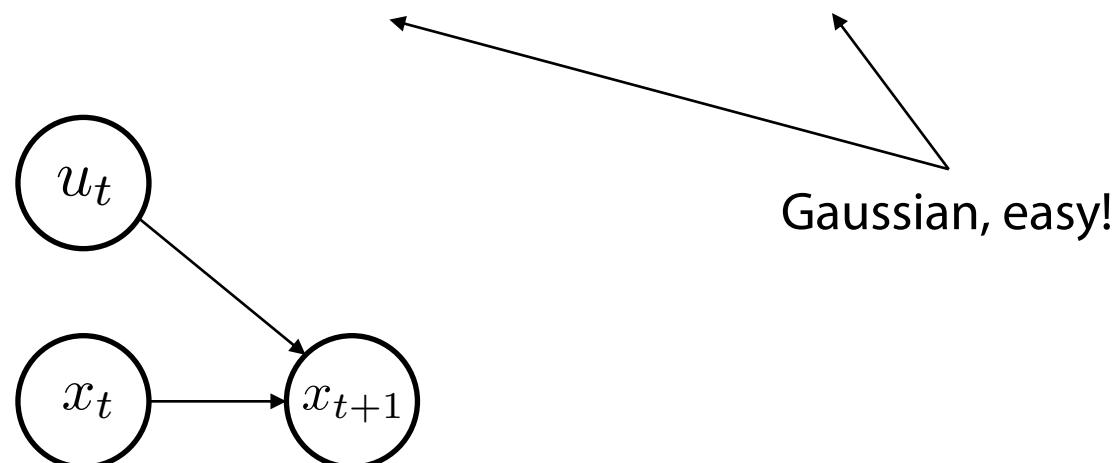
# Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

- Integrate the effect of one action under the dynamics, before measurement comes in

$$x_{t+1} = Ax_t + Bu_t + \epsilon_t \quad \epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, Q_t)$$

$$p(x_{t+1}|x_t, u_t) = \mathcal{N}(Ax_t + Bu_t, Q_t)$$

$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}) = \int p(x_t|u_{0:t-1}, z_{0:t})p(x_{t+1}|x_t, u_t)dx_t$$



# Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics Intuition

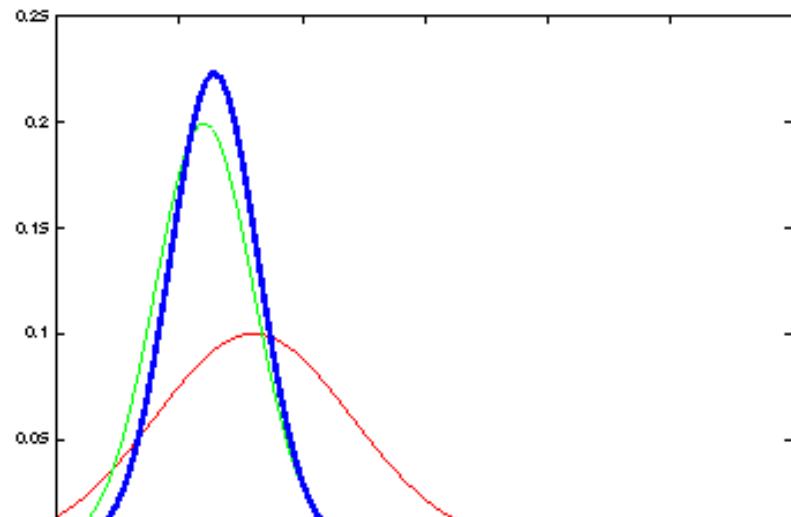
Previous belief

$$p(x_t | u_{0:t}, z_{0:t}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t|0:t}, \Sigma_{t|0:t})$$

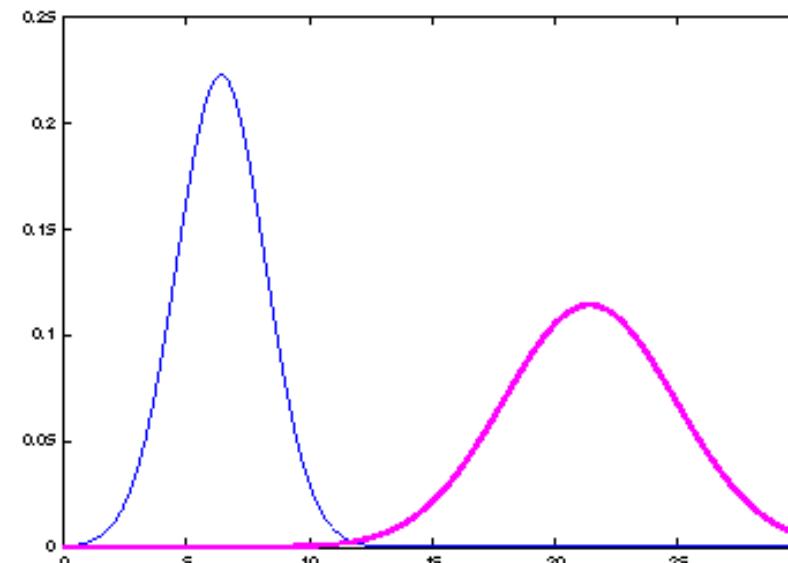
Belief Update

$$p(x_{t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t+1}) \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu_{t|0:t} + Bu_t, A\Sigma_{t|0:t}A^T + Q_t)$$

Intuition: Scale and shift the mean according to dynamics, uncertainty grows quadratically!



Belief at  $x_t$



Belief post dynamics  $\rightarrow$  shifted mean, scaled and shifted variance

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How??

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Stays in Gaussian world

$$(X_{t+1}, X_t) |_{z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu_{t|0:t} \\ \mu_{t+1|0:t} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{t|0:t} & \Sigma_{t,t+1|0:t} \\ \Sigma_{t+1,t|0:t} & \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

Current belief at time t

Now compute the mean and covariance and then marginalize

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

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$$\mu_{t+1|0:t} = \mathbb{E} [X_{t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}]$$

Mean

$$\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} = \mathbb{E} [(X_{t+1|0:t} - \mu_{t+1|0:t})(X_{t+1|0:t} - \mu_{t+1|0:t})^T]$$

Diagonal Covariance

$$\Sigma_{t,t+1|0:t} = \mathbb{E} [(X_{t|0:t} - \mu_{t|0:t})(X_{t+1|0:t} - \mu_{t+1|0:t})^T]$$

Cross Covariance

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

$$(X_{t+1}, X_t) |_{z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}} \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{t|0:t} \\ \mu_{t+1|0:t} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{t|0:t} & \Sigma_{t,t+1|0:t} \\ \Sigma_{t+1,t|0:t} & \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Mean

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{t+1|0:t} &= \mathbb{E}[X_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[AX_t + Bu_t + \epsilon_t | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}] \\ &= A\mathbb{E}[X_t | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}] + Bu_t + \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_t | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}] \\ &= A\mu_{t|0:t} + Bu_t\end{aligned}$$

Diagonal Covariance

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} &= \mathbb{E}[(X_{t+1|0:t} - \mu_{t+1|0:t})(X_{t+1|0:t} - \mu_{t+1|0:t})^T] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(AX_{t|0:t} + Bu_t + \epsilon_t - A\mu_{t|0:t} - Bu_t)(AX_{t|0:t} + Bu_t + \epsilon_t - A\mu_{t|0:t} - Bu_t)^T] \\ &= A\mathbb{E}[(X_{t|0:t} - \mu_{t|0:t})(X_{t|0:t} - \mu_{t|0:t})^T]A^T + Q_t \\ &= A\Sigma_{t|0:t}A^T + Q_t\end{aligned}$$

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# Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

$$(X_{t+1}, X_t) |_{z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}} \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{t|0:t} \\ \mu_{t+1|0:t} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{t|0:t} & \Sigma_{t,t+1|0:t} \\ \Sigma_{t+1,t|0:t} & \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Mean

$$\mu_{t+1|0:t} = A\mu_{t|0:t} + Bu_t$$

Diagonal Covariance

$$\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} = A\Sigma_{t|0:t}A^T + Q_t$$

Previous belief

$$p(x_t | u_{0:t-1}, z_{0:t}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t|0:t}, \Sigma_{t|0:t})$$

Belief Update

$$p(x_{t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}) \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu_{t|0:t} + Bu_t, A\Sigma_{t|0:t}A^T + Q_t)$$

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# Linear Gaussian Systems: Dynamics

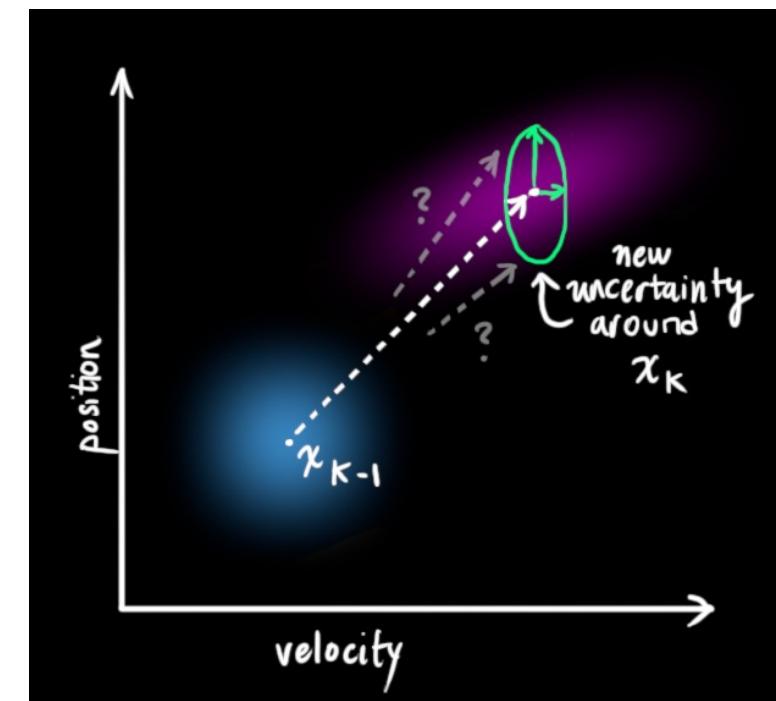
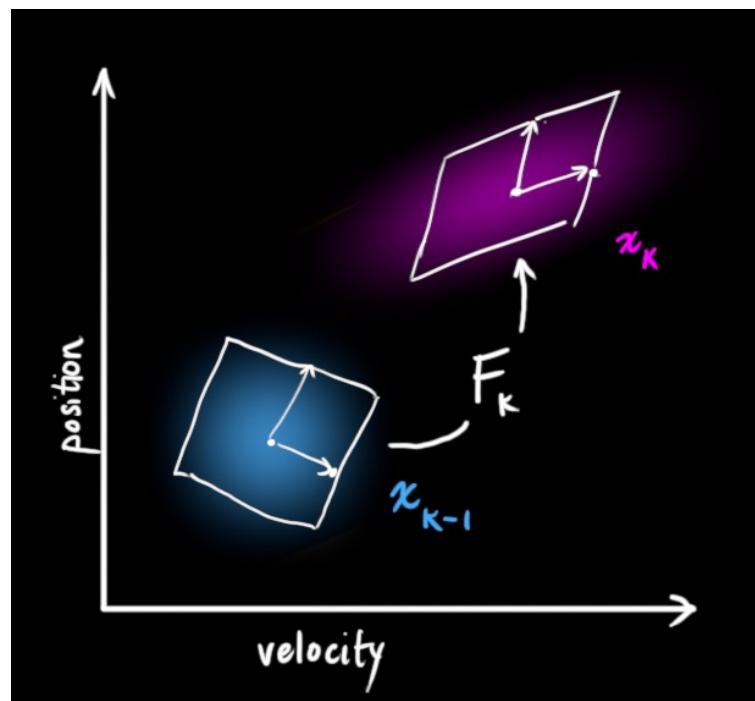
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# Intuition Behind Prediction Step

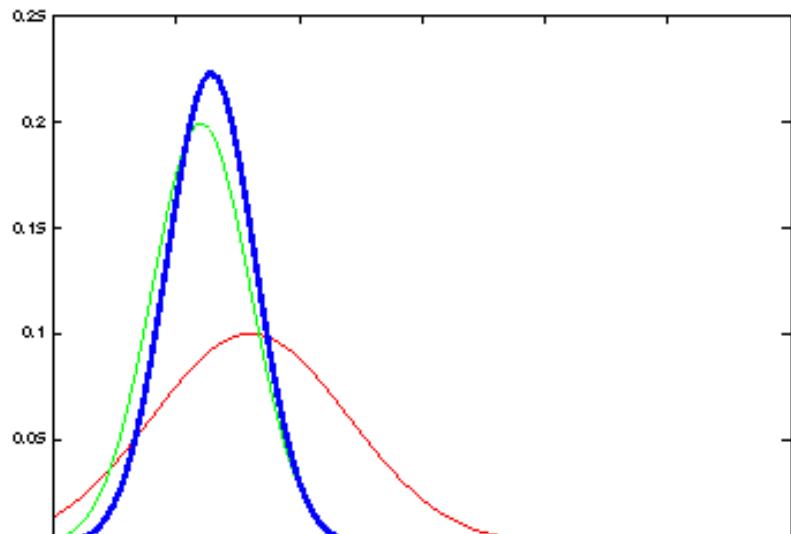
Previous belief

$$p(x_t | u_{0:t}, z_{0:t}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t|0:t}, \Sigma_{t|0:t})$$

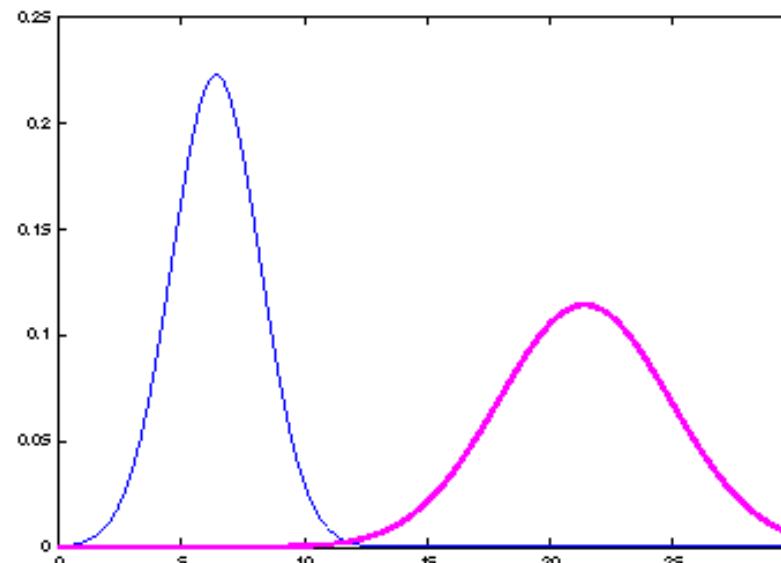
Belief Update

$$p(x_{t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t+1}) \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu_{t|0:t} + Bu_t, A\Sigma_{t|0:t}A^T + Q_t)$$

Intuition: Scale and shift the mean according to dynamics, uncertainty grows!

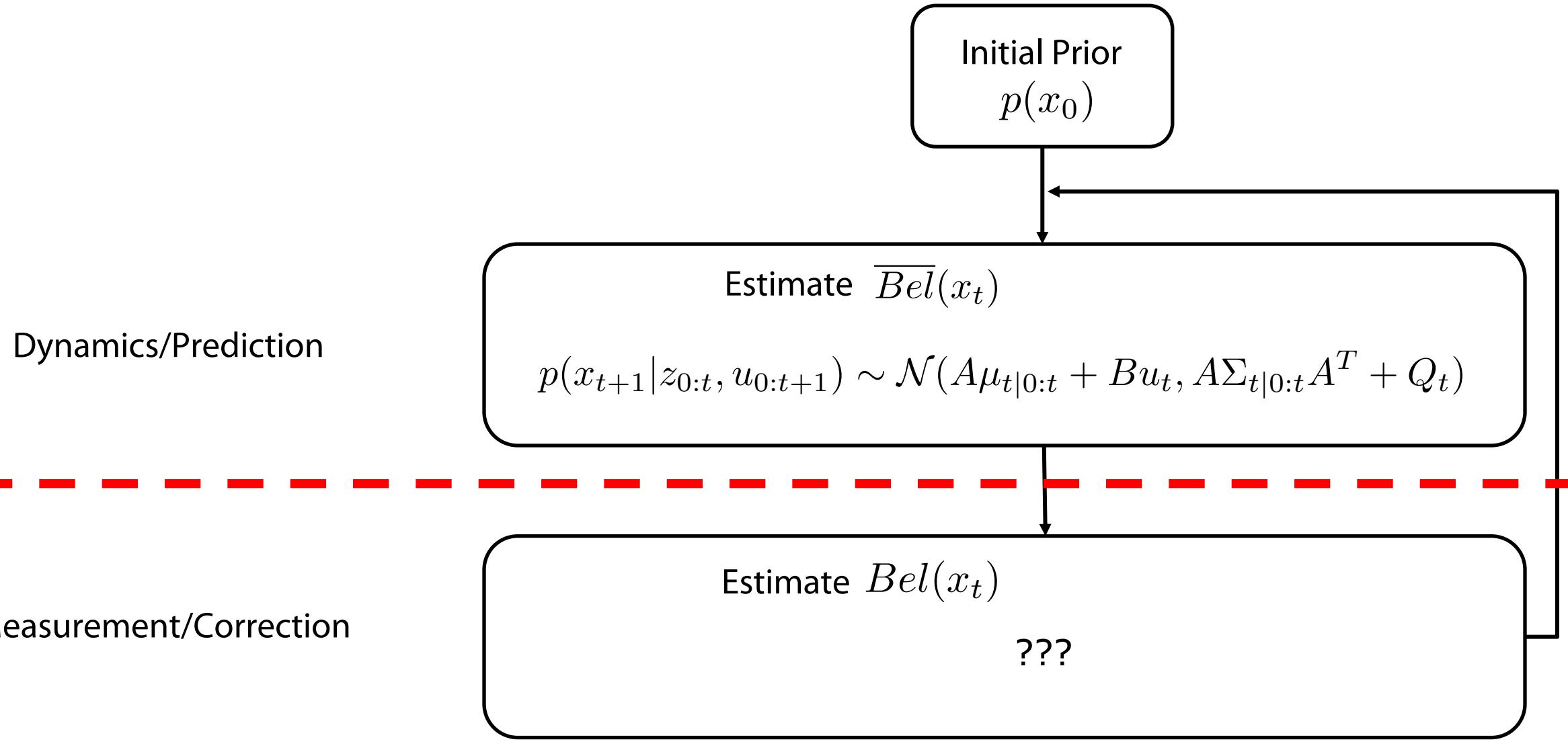


Belief at  $x_t$



Belief post dynamics  $\rightarrow$  shifted mean, scaled and shifted variance

# Kalman Filter: Where are we?



# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

Measurement/Correction

Estimate  $Bel(x_t)$

???

$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) = \eta p(z_t|x_t)p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})$$

Need to do conditioning/normalization with Linear Gaussians

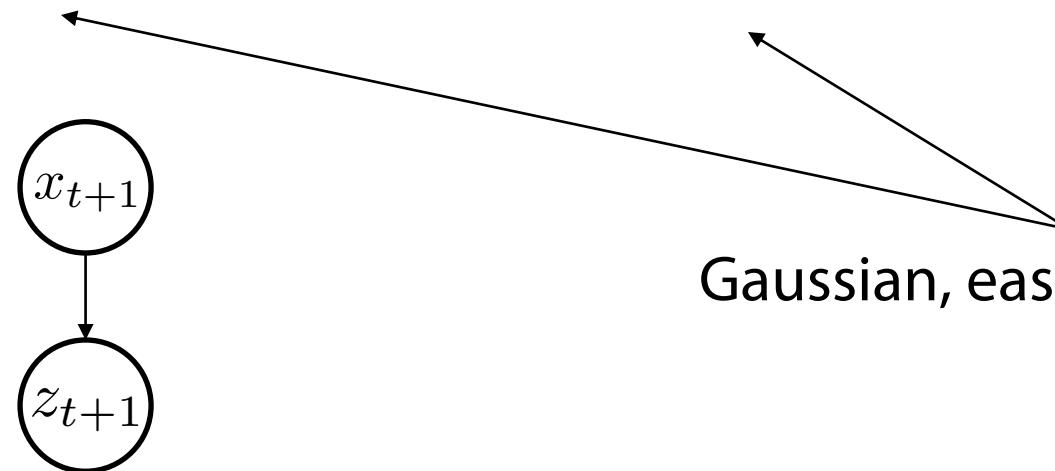
# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

- Integrate the effect of an observation using sensor model, after dynamics

$$z_{t+1} = Cx_{t+1} + \delta_t \quad \delta_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, R_t)$$

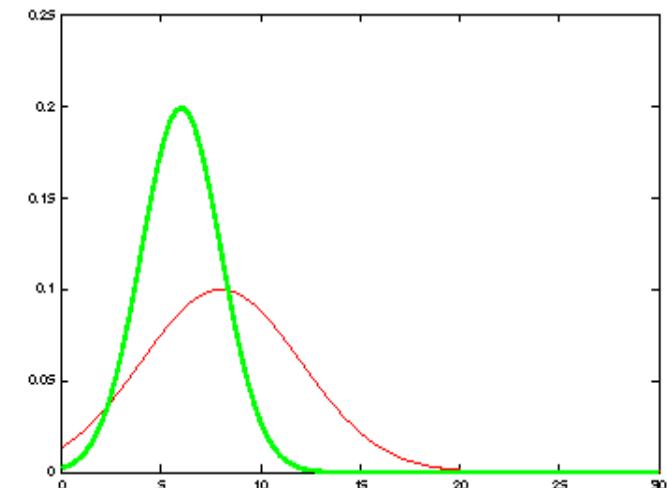
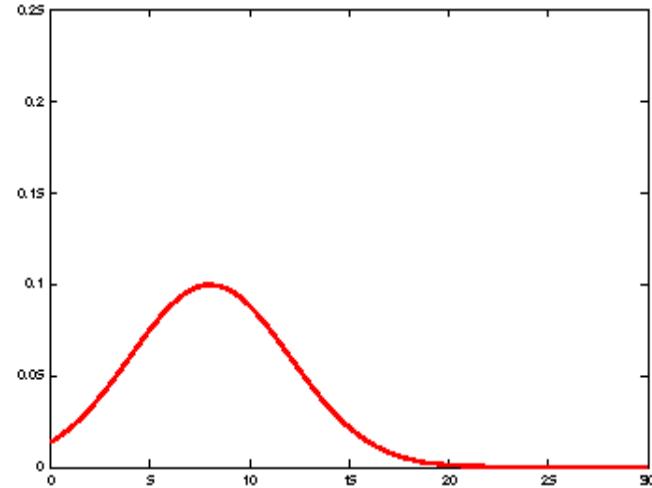
$$p(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1}) = \mathcal{N}(Cx_{t+1}, R_t)$$

$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) \propto p(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1})p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})$$



# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations Intuition

- Previous belief (post dynamics)
- New Measurement



For the sake of simplicity, let's say  $C = I$

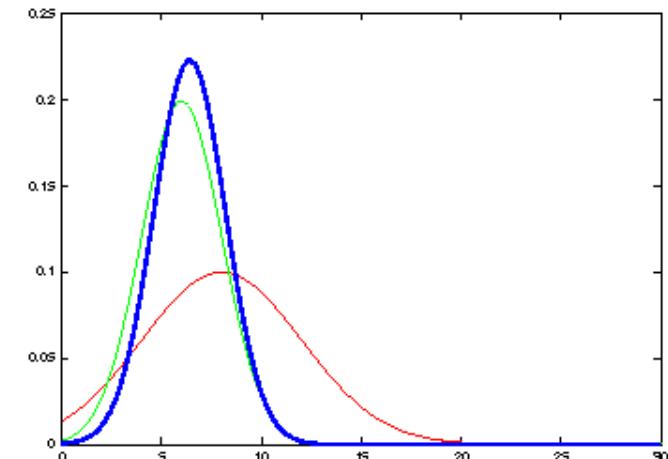
Previous belief

$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t}, \Sigma_{t+1|0:t})$$

Updated belief

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) \\ = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t} + K_{t+1}(z_{t+1} - \mu_{t+1|0:t}), (I - K_{t+1})\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}) \end{aligned}$$

Linearly interpolate between measurement and previous mean based on  $K$   
Scale down uncertainty based on  $K$



# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

- Integrate the effect of an observation using sensor model, after dynamics

$$z_{t+1} = Cx_{t+1} + \delta_t \quad \delta_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, R_t)$$

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$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t}, \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}) \quad \text{Computed from dynamics step}$$

Updated belief

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) \\ = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t} + K_{t+1}(z_{t+1} - C\mu_{t+1|0:t}), (I - K_{t+1}C)\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}) \end{aligned}$$

How??

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

- Integrate the effect of an observation using sensor model, after dynamics

$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) \propto p(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1})p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})$$

Stays in Gaussian world, but now conditioning instead of marginalization

Sketch:

1. Construct the joint of  $x_{t+1}$  and  $z_{t+1}$  conditioned on the past
2. Solve for the mean and covariances of this joint
3. Perform conditioning with  $z_{t+1}$  equaling a particular value

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

- Integrate the effect of an observation using sensor model, after dynamics

$$p(x_{t+1} | z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) \propto p(z_{t+1} | x_{t+1}) p(x_{t+1} | z_{0:t}, u_{0:t})$$

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# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

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Stays in Gaussian world, but now conditioning instead of marginalization

$$X_{t+1|0:t}, Z_{t+1|0:t} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu_{t+1|0:t}^X \\ \mu_{t+1|0:t}^Z \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XX} & \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XZ} \\ \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZX} & \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZZ} \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

Following the same procedure as last time

Belief from the dynamics step

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mu_{t+1|0:t}^X \\ \mu_{t+1|0:t}^Z = C\mu_{t+1|0:t}^X \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XX} & \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XZ} \\ \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZX} & \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZZ} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XZ} &= \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XX} C^T \\ \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZX} &= (\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XX} C^T)^T \\ \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZZ} &= C \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{XX} C^T + R_{t+1} \end{aligned}$$

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

- Integrate the effect of an observation using sensor model, after dynamics

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$$\mu_{t+1|0:t}^Z = \mathbb{E}[Z_{t+1}|X_{t+1}] \quad \left| \quad \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZZ} = \mathbb{E}[(Z_{t+1} - \mu_{t+1|0:t}^Z)(Z_{t+1} - \mu_{t+1|0:t}^Z)^T] \quad \left| \quad \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}^{ZZ} = \mathbb{E}[(Z_{t+1} - \mu_{t+1|0:t}^Z)(X_{t+1|0:t} - \mu_{t+1|0:t})^T] \right. \right.$$

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

- Integrate the effect of an observation using sensor model, after dynamics

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Now we just condition on  $Z_{t+1} = z_{t+1}$

Remember  $p(X|Y = y_0) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X + \Gamma_{XX}^{-1}\Gamma_{XY}(y_0 - \mu_Y), \Gamma_{XX}^{-1})$

$$= \mathcal{N}(\mu_X + \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}(y_0 - \mu_Y), \Sigma_{XX} - \Sigma_{XY}\Sigma_{YY}^{-1}\Sigma_{YX})$$

$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t} + \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T(C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T + R_{t+1})^{-1}(z_{t+1} - C\mu_{t+1|0:t}),$

$$\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} - \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T(C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T + R_{t+1})^{-1}C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t})$$

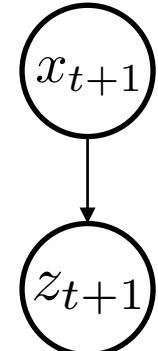
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$$p(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1}) = \mathcal{N}(Cx_{t+1}, R_t)$$



$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) = \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_{t+1|0:t} + \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} \underbrace{C^T(C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T + R_{t+1})^{-1}}_{\text{Kalman Gain}}(z_{t+1} - C\mu_{t+1|0:t}), \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} - \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} C^T(C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T + R_{t+1})^{-1} C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}\right)$$

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$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t} + K_{t+1}(z_{t+1} - C\mu_{t+1|0:t}), (I - K_{t+1}C)\Sigma_{t+1|0:t})$$

# Linear Gaussian Systems: Observations

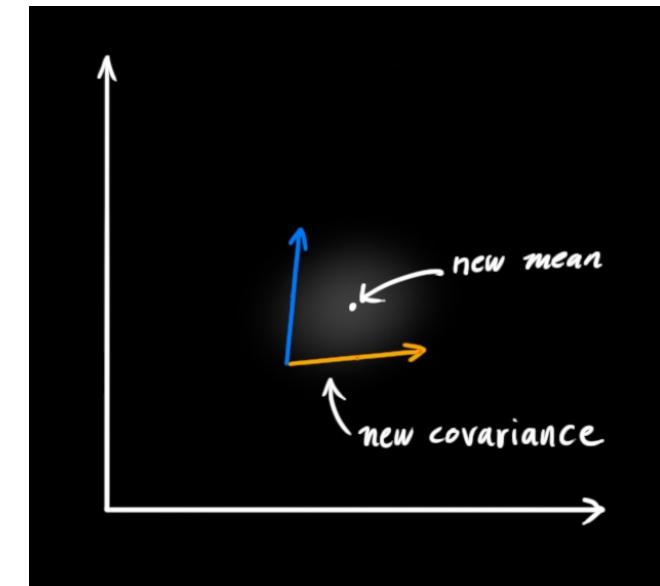
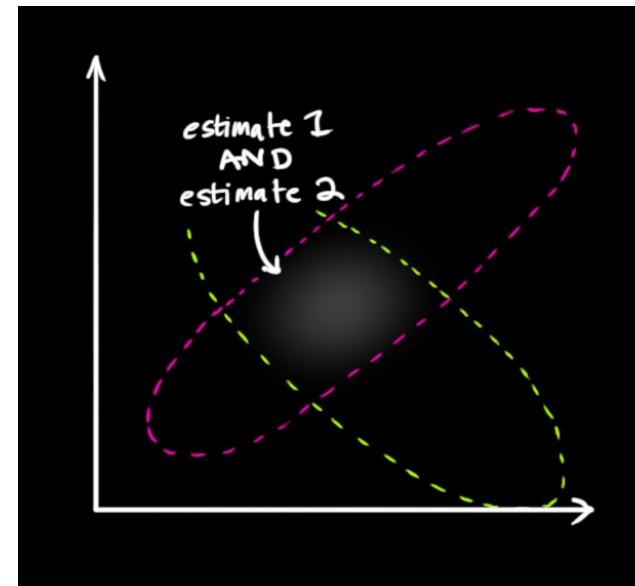
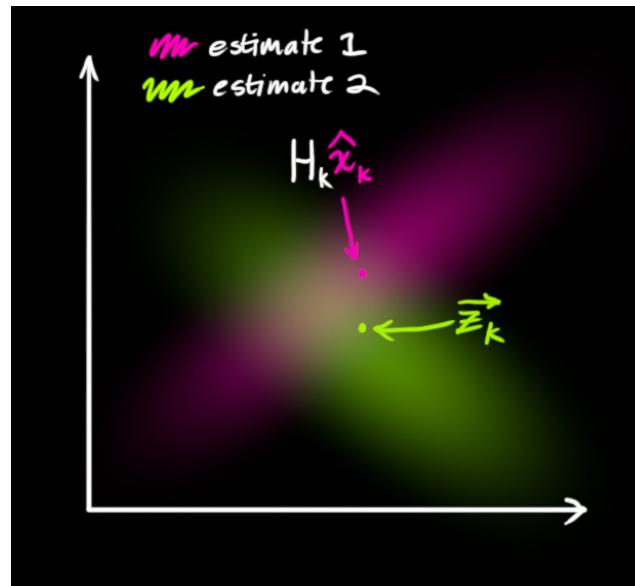
Previous belief

$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t}, \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}) \quad \text{Computed from dynamics step}$$

Updated belief

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}, u_{0:t}) \\ = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t+1|0:t} + K_{t+1}(z_{t+1} - C\mu_{t+1|0:t}), (I - K_{t+1}C)\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}) \end{aligned}$$

Intuition: Correct the update linearly according to measurement error from expectation, shrink uncertainty accordingly



# Unpacking the Kalman Gain

Previous belief

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$$K_{t+1} = \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} C^T (C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} C^T + R)^{-1}$$

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in  $z_{t+1} = Cx_{t+1} + \delta_t$

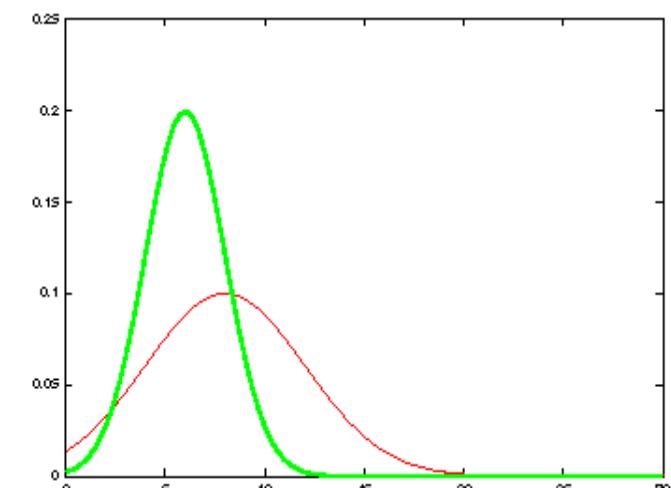
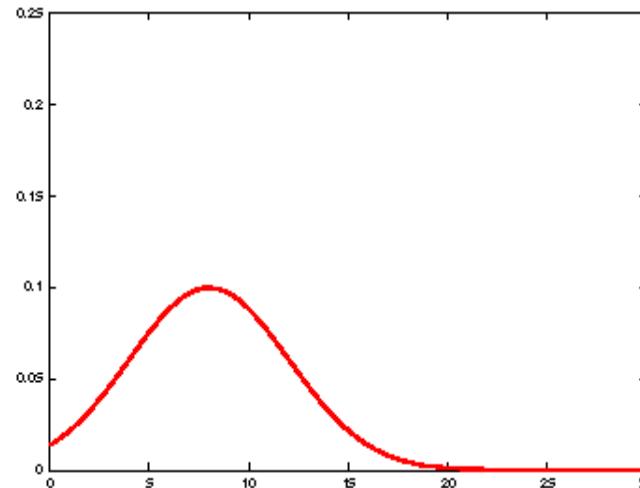
$$K_{t+1} = \frac{\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}}{\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} + R}$$

Case 1: Very noisy sensor,  $R \gg \Sigma$

Case 2: Deterministic sensor,  $R = 0$

# Intuition Behind Correction Step

- Previous belief
- New Measurement



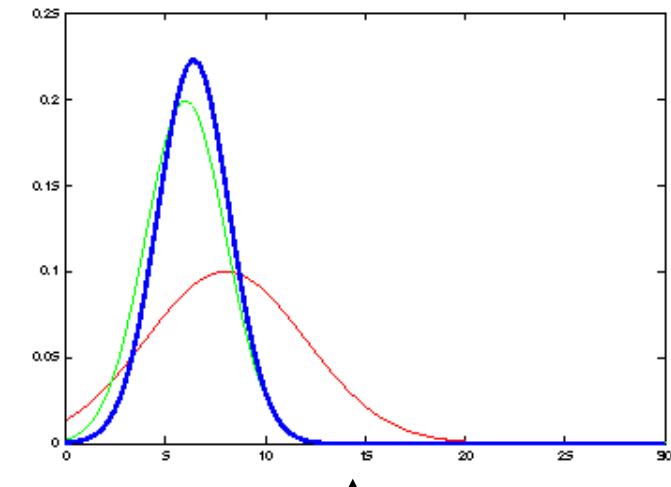
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$$K_{t+1} = \frac{\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}}{\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} + R}$$

Corrects belief based on measurement

- Average between mean and measurement based on  $K$
- Scale down uncertainty based on  $K$



# Kalman Filter Pseudocode

1. **def Kalman\_filter( $\mu_{t|0:t}, \Sigma_{t|0:t}, u_t, z_{t+1}$ ):**

2. **Prediction:**

$$\mu_{t+1|0:t} = A\mu_{t|0:t} + Bu_t$$

$$\Sigma_{t+1|0:t} = A\Sigma_{t|0:t}A^T + Q_t$$

3. **Correction:**

$$K_{t+1} = \Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T(C\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}C^T + R_{t+1})^{-1}$$

$$\mu_{t+1|0:t+1} = \mu_{t+1|0:t} + K_{t+1}(z_{t+1} - C\mu_{t+1|0:t})$$

$$\Sigma_{t+1|0:t+1} = (I - K_{t+1}C)\Sigma_{t+1|0:t}$$

4. **Return**  $\mu_{t+1|0:t+1}, \Sigma_{t+1|0:t+1}$

$$x_{t+1} = Ax_t + Bu_t + \epsilon_t$$

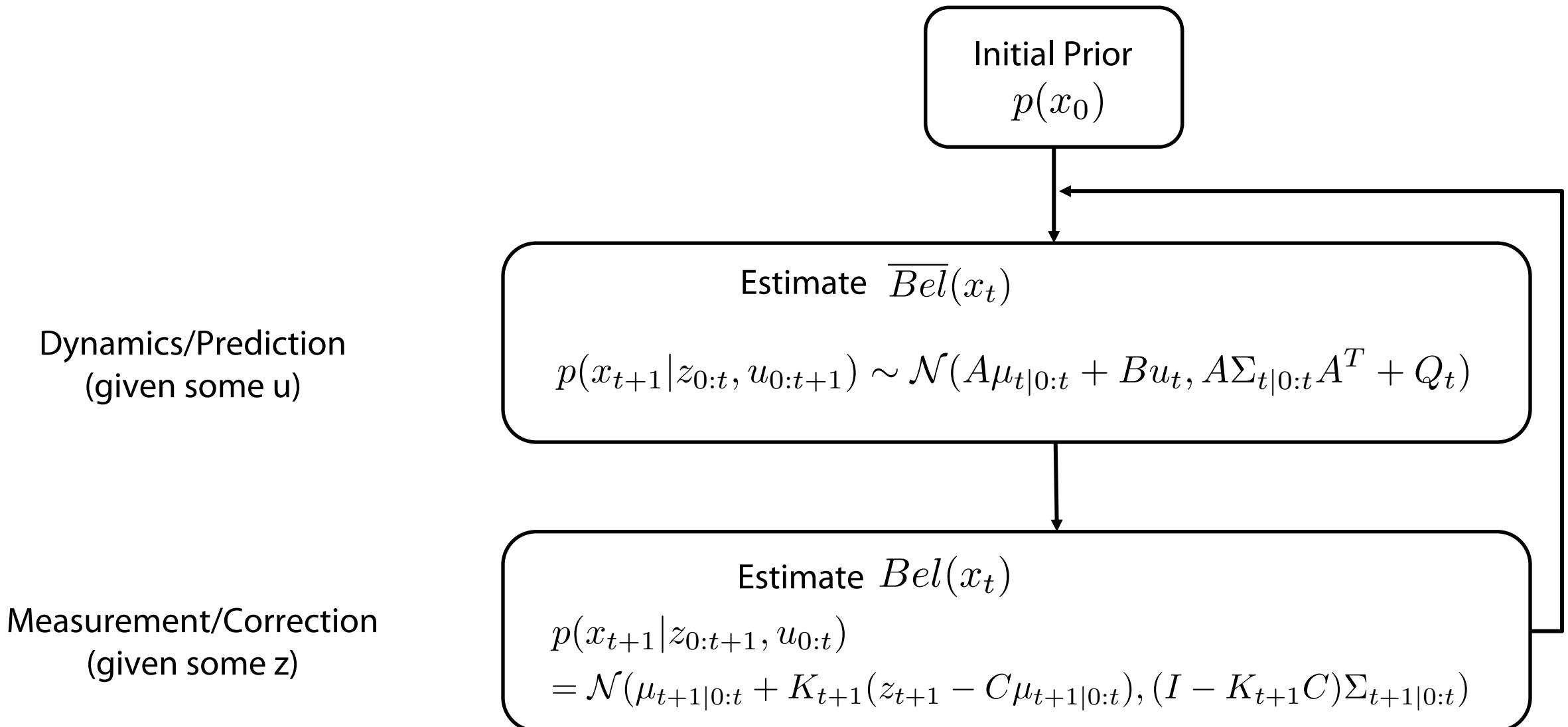
$$\epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, Q)$$

$$z_{t+1} = Cx_{t+1} + \delta_t$$

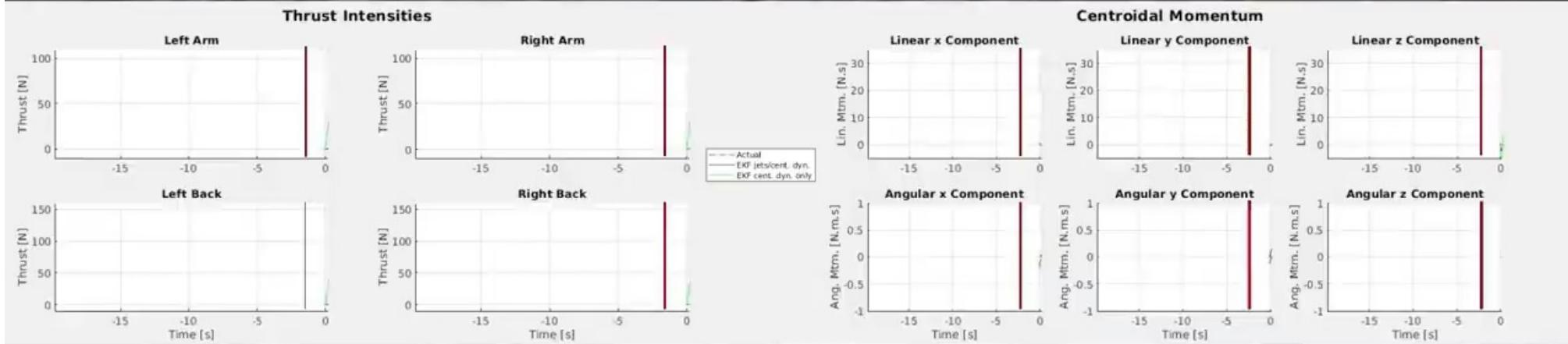
$$\delta_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, R)$$

Reminder of the model

# Kalman Filter Algorithm



# Kalman Filter in Action



# Kalman Filter Summary

- **Highly efficient:** Polynomial in measurement dimensionality  $k$  and state dimensionality  $n$ :  
 $O(k^{2.8} + n^2)$

Matrix Inversion (Correction)

$$K_{t+1} = \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} C^T (C \Sigma_{t+1|0:t} C^T + R_{t+1})^{-1}$$

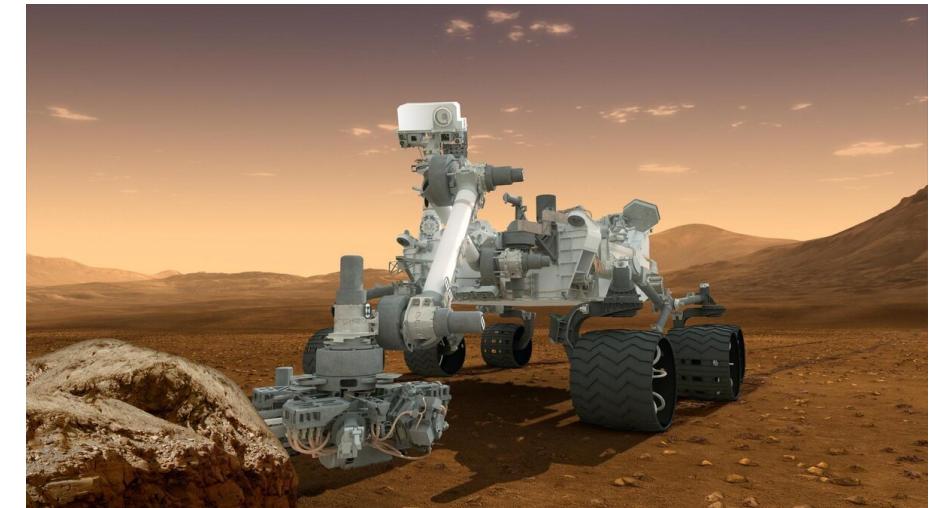
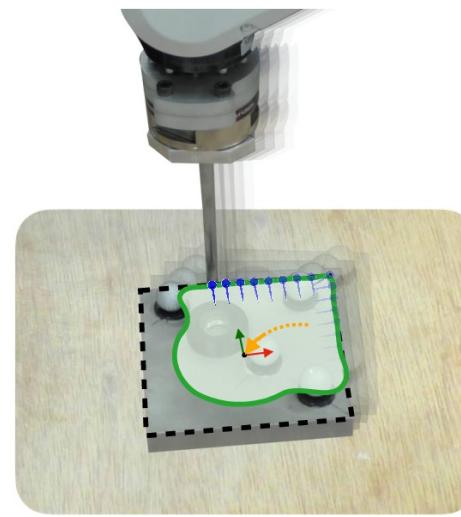
Matrix Multiplication (Prediction)

$$p(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}, u_{0:t+1}) \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu_{t|0:t} + Bu_t, A\Sigma_{t|0:t}A^T + Q_t)$$

- Optimal for linear Gaussian systems!
- Most robotics systems are nonlinear! → next time

# Why should we care in 2023?

Still a very widely used technique for estimation/localization/mapping in real problems



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# Lecture Outline

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**Recap**



**Bayesian Filtering**



**Gaussian Properties**



**Kalman Filtering**