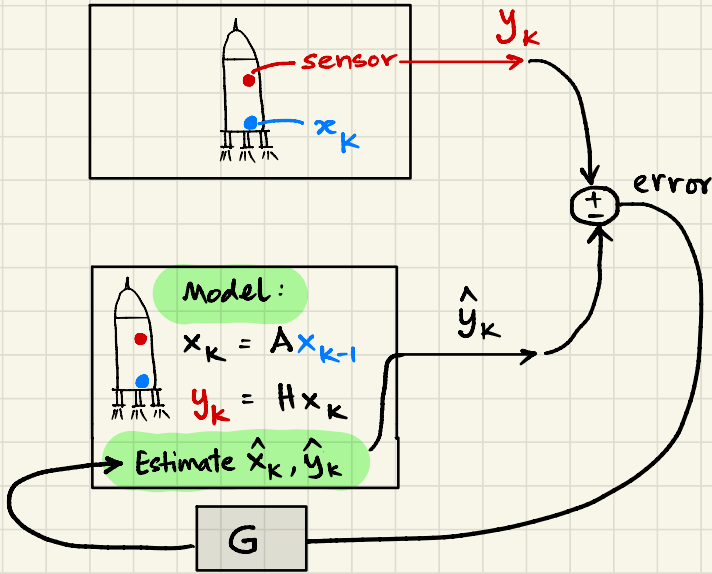


Kalman Filter

■ Problem Set-up:



■ Reality: $x_k = Ax_{k-1} + w_p$ — ① Process model.

$y_k = Hx_k + w_m$ — ② Measurement model.

■ State estimator: Combine process & measurement

$$\hat{x}_k = x_k^p + K_k (y_k - \hat{y}_k)$$

↳ from process model
↳ from measurement model

If I have x_{k-1} , then I can model both

$$x_k^p \text{ and } \hat{y}_k = Hx_k^p$$

■ What do we need to do this?

↳ Estimate K_k → time index

↳ If process noise $n_p = 0$,
 K_k should be 0

↳ if measurement noise $n_m = 0$

K_k should be H^{-1}

because,

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}_k &= x_k^p + H^{-1} (Hx_k + n_m - Hx_k^p) \\ &= x_k + H^{-1} n_m \cong x_k\end{aligned}$$

■ **Main intuition:** seems like possible to use K_k as a knob that combines the process and measurement.

■ If I turn K_k the wrong way, the \hat{x}_k prediction should diverge from the true x_k which will also manifest in gap in true and modeled measurement. $(y_k - \hat{y}_k)$



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$$x_k^p = A x_{k-1}^p + n_p$$

$$y_k = H x_k + n_m$$

1. Start with an initial \hat{x}_0

2. That gives us a process based estimate x_1^p

3. If this was correct, then I expect the measurement y_1 to match with my modeled measurement Hx_1^p
If it does not match, then the error is composed of both process error and measurement error.

4. My goal is to modulate the process estimate x_1^p with some linear function of this error
This gives me an estimate of the state variable as: $\hat{x}_1 = x_1^p + K_1(y_1 - Hx_1^p)$

5. What should K_1 be?

- Well, design it such that it minimizes the MSE of state estimate error, defined as: $e_1 = x_1 - \hat{x}_1$
- So we want to minimize $E[e_1^2]$

6. Let's model $e_1 \dots e_1 = x_1 - (x_1^p + K_1(y_1 - Hx_1^p)) = x_1 - (x_1^p + K_1(Hx_1^p + n_m - Hx_1^p))$

$$= (1 - K_1H)x_1 - (1 - K_1H)x_1^p + K_1n_m$$

$$= (1 - K_1H)(x_1 - x_1^p) + K_1n_m \quad e_1 = (1 - K_1H)e_1^p + K_1n_m$$

Not surprising that this error has both un-modeled components \rightarrow the process error e_1^p and the measurement error n_m $\rightarrow x_1 - x_1^p = e_1^p$

7. For MSE, we compute $E[e_1e_1^T]$... since e_1 can be a vector ... or you can stack up $[e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots]$ to make a vector

- This expectation then becomes: $P_1 = E[e_1e_1^T] = (1 - K_1H)(x_1 - x_1^p)(x_1 - x_1^p)^T(1 - K_1H)^T + K_1n_m n_m^T K_1^T$

Cross terms aren't present because e_1^p and n_m are uncorrelated. Why? Because the process and measurement errors are independent
Thus,

$$E[e_1e_1^T] = (1 - K_1H)P_1^p(1 - K_1H)^T + K_1R_mK_1^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (K_1n_m)(K_1n_m)^T \\ &= K_1n_m n_m^T K_1^T \\ &= K_1R_mK_1^T \end{aligned}$$

Not surprising that this error covariance has the process error covariance P_1^p and the measurement error covariance R_m

8. Find K_1 that minimizes this covariance, i.e., $\arg \min_K (1 - K_1H)P_1^p(1 - K_1H)^T + K_1R_mK_1^T$

- This gives:

$$K_1 = \frac{P_1^p H^T}{(H P_1^p H^T + R_m)}$$

[See equations 11.21 to 11.24 in [this](#) article for minimization]

9. Perhaps we can assume we know covariance for the measurement error R_m ... but we don't have P_1^p

Since $K_1 = f(P_1^p)$... we need P_1^p

10. Ok, so let's define $P_1^p = E[e_1^p e_1^{pT}]$ where $e_1^p = x_1 - x_1^p = Ax_0 + n_p - Ax_0 = Ae_0 + n_p$

So, $P_1^p = E[(Ae_0 + n_p)(Ae_0 + n_p)^T] = AP_0A^T + R_p$... again, assuming e_0 and n_p are uncorrelated.

$$E[Ae_0e_0^T A^T + n_p n_p^T + Ae_0n_p^T + n_p e_0^T A^T]$$

So we have $P_1^p = AP_0A^T + R_p$

$$E[Ae_0(Ae_0)^T] = A E[e_0e_0^T] A^T = AP_0A^T$$

Of course, this P_1^p depends on the previous P_0

Assuming we have resolved the previous states well, we now have everything we need for K_1

11. Now, let's resolve this P_0 from last step ... which is the same as resolving P_1 since it would be used in the next step.

$P_1 = f(K_1, P_1^p)$... so we have resolved both K_1 and P_1 now

In fact, plugging K_1 into P_1 ... and then simplifying, we get: $P_1 = (1 - K_1H)P_1^p$

▼ Derivation

$$\begin{aligned}
P_i &= (I - K_i H) P_i^p (I - K_i H)^T + K_i R_m K_i^T \\
&= (P_i^p - K_i H P_i^p) (I - H^T K_i^T) \\
&= P_i^p - P_i^p H^T K_i^T - K_i H P_i^p + K_i (H P_i^p H^T + R_m) K_i^T \\
&\quad \text{Substitute } K_i = \frac{P_i^p H^T}{H P_i^p H^T + R_m} = \frac{P_i^p H^T}{D} \\
&= P_i^p - P_i^p H^T \left(\frac{P_i^p H^T}{D} \right)^T - \left(\frac{P_i^p H^T}{D} \right) H P_i^p + \frac{P_i^p H^T \cdot H P_i^p}{D} \\
&= P_i^p - P_i^p H^T (H P_i^p H^T + R_m)^{-1} H P_i^p \\
&= P_i^p - K_i H P_i^p = (I - K_i H) P_i^p
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $P_i = (I - K_i H) P_i^p$

PREDICTION

$$x_k^p = A \hat{x}_{k-1}$$

$$P_k^p = A P_{k-1} A^T + R_p$$

\hat{x}_0 P_0

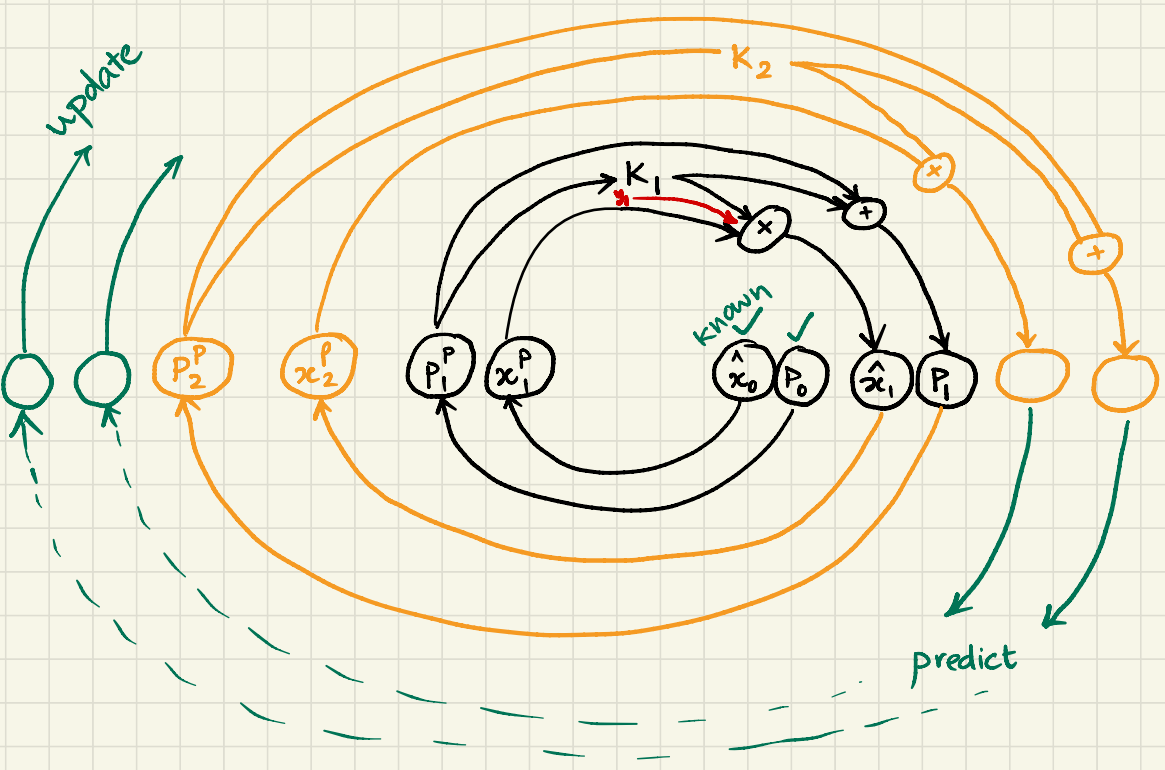
initialization

UPDATE

$$\hat{x}_k = x_k^p + K_k (y_k - H x_k^p)$$

$$K_k = \frac{P_k^p H^T}{H P_k^p H^T + R_m}$$

$$P_k = (I - K_k H) P_k^p$$



Questions