

# Particle Filtering (Continued)

Note Title

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Recall

$$Y_t = \{y_1, \dots, y_t\}, \quad \text{state } X_t$$

prediction

$$p(X_{t+1} | Y_t) = \sum_{X_t} p(X_{t+1} | X_t) p(X_t | Y_t)$$

correction

$$p(X_{t+1} | Y_{t+1}) = \frac{p(y_{t+1} | X_{t+1}) p(X_{t+1} | Y_t)}{p(y_{t+1} | Y_t)}$$

$$\frac{p(X_{t+1} | X_t)}{p(y_t | X_t)}$$

Recall example from last lecture.

Prior model:  $p(X_{t+1} | X_t) = N(X_{t+1} | \mu, \sigma^2)$  Gaussian

Likelihood function  $p(y_t | X_t)$

The observations occur in a window size  $\Delta$ .

At time  $t$ , the number of observations in the window is a random variable  $m_t$ .

The observations are represented by a vector  $\underline{y}_t = (y_{t,1}, \dots, y_{t,m_t})$ : Each  $y_{t,i}$  is an observation.

Model Assumptions

The probability that target is visible is  $p_d$ .

The distribution of the number of distractors is Poisson, with parameter  $\lambda \Delta$ .

The position of a distractor is uniformly distributed in the window (i.e. density is  $1/\Delta$ )

(2) Define an Indicator Variable  $I_t = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if target is invisible} \\ k & \text{if } k^{\text{th}} \text{ object is the target} \end{cases}$

$$P(y_t | X_t, I_t=0) = \frac{\Delta^{-m_t} (\lambda \Delta)^{m_t}}{m_t!} e^{-\lambda \Delta} = \frac{\lambda^{m_t}}{m_t!} e^{-\lambda \Delta}$$

$$P(y_t | X_k, I_t=k) = \frac{\lambda^{m_t-1}}{(m_t-1)!} e^{-\lambda \Delta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} r} \exp\left\{-\frac{(y_{t,k} - x_t)^2}{2r^2}\right\} \quad (*)$$

By assumption

$$P(I_t=0) = 1 - p_d, \quad P(I_t=k) = p_d / m_t$$

So

$$P(y_t | I_t | X_t) \propto \begin{cases} (1-p_d) \lambda & \text{if } I_t=0 \\ p_d \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{1/2} r} \exp\left\{-\frac{(y_{t,k} - x_t)^2}{2r^2}\right\} & \text{if } I_t=k \end{cases}$$

(we drop the common factor  $\frac{\lambda^{m_t}}{(m_t-1)!} e^{-\lambda \Delta}$ )

Now  $I_t$  is not known,

so we have to sum it out to obtain

$$P(y_t | X_t) = \sum_{I_t} P(y_t | I_t | X_t)$$

$$\propto (1-p_d) \lambda + \sum_{k=1}^{m_t} p_d \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{1/2} r} \exp\left\{-\frac{(y_{t,k} - x_t)^2}{2r^2}\right\}$$

(3)

## Mixture Kalman Filter

Recall Rao-Blackwellization:

- don't sample if you do things analytically
- do as much as possible analytically.

Let  $\Lambda_t = (I_1, \dots, I_t)$  be a trajectory to time  $t$  (i.e. a selection of observation for each time step).

Key Ideas: If we know  $I_t$ , then we can solve by standard Kalman filter - i.e. update means and variances.

We don't know  $I_t$ , so let us have several sampled  $I_t$ 's with weights.

The correct trajectory will have fit the data well (because there will usually be observations where it predicts them to be), so it will have a large weight.

Details - recursive description. Suppose we have  $m$  trajectories  $\{ \Lambda_{t-1}^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda_{t-1}^{(m)} \}$  with weights  $w_{t-1}^{(1)}, \dots, w_{t-1}^{(m)}$ .

For each trajectory, use standard Kalman to estimate the mean  $\mu_{t-1}^{(j)}$  and covariance  $\Sigma_{t-1}^{(j)}$ .

Denote  $KF_{t-1}^{(j)} = (\mu_{t-1}^{(j)}, \Sigma_{t-1}^{(j)})$

(Note: The trajectory is a hidden variable so we are representing it by a distribution of samples.)

(4) Select a trial distribution for assignment

$$g(I_t | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}, KF_{t-1}^{(j)}, y_t) \text{ - e.g. } (1 - Pd) \text{ - for } I_t = 0$$

Do the 3 steps

normalization

$$Pd \frac{e^{-\|y_t, k - \mu_{t-1}^{(j)} - \mu\|^2}}{Z}, I_t = 1$$

(1) generate  $I_t^{(j)}$  from  $g(I_t | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}, KF_{t-1}^{(j)}, y_t)$   
(e.g. predict assignment)

(2) conditional on each  $\{KF_{t-1}^{(j)}, y_t, I_t^{(j)}\}$   
obtain  $KF_t^{(j)}$  by one step of the Kalman filter.

(3.) update the new weight as "times"

$$w_t^{(j)} = w_{t-1}^{(j)} \times u_t^{(j)}$$

where  $u_t^{(j)} = p(\Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)} | \underline{y}_{t-1})$

$$p(\Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)} | \underline{y}_{t-1}) g(I_t | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}, KF_{t-1}^{(j)}, y_t)$$

(4) If the coeff of variation of the  $w_t$  exceeds a threshold, we resample a new set of  $KF_t$  from  $\{KF_t^{(1)}, \dots, KF_t^{(m)}\}$  with probability proportional to the weights  $w_t^{(j)}$ .

See p 101 Liu, for examples of the errors of these methods.

(5) Need to compute  $p(\Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}, I_t^{(j)} | \underline{y}_t)$   
 and  $p(\Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)} | \underline{y}_{t-1})$

We know  $p(\underline{y}_t | x_t, I_t)$

We know

$$p(x_t | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}) = \int dx_{t-1} \underbrace{p(x_t | x_{t-1})}_{\text{Gaussian}} \underbrace{p(x_{t-1} | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)})}_{\text{standard Kalman.}}$$

We know  $p(I_t)$

$$p(\underline{y}_t | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}, I_t) = \int dx_t \frac{p(\underline{y}_t | x_t, I_t)}{p(x_t | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)})}$$

$$p(\Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}, I_t | \underline{y}_t) = \frac{p(\underline{y}_t | \Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)}, I_t) p(I_t) p(\Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)})}{p(\underline{y}_t)}$$

similar manipulations to get.

$$p(\Lambda_{t-1}^{(j)} | \underline{y}_{t-1})$$