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## Day 2

# Radar Trackers and Applications for SAADS

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Topic 8: System Modeling

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# Basic Concept



- Consider Position and Velocity in a State Vector:

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} <\text{Position}> \\ <\text{Velocity}> \end{bmatrix}$$

- Position and Velocity Extrapolation Over Time Interval T:

$$\underline{x}(t + T) = \Phi(T) \cdot \underline{x}(t), \quad \Phi(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & T \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Notation



$\underline{x}$  State Vector

$\underline{f}(\underline{x})$  Vector of functions of the elements of  $\underline{x}$

$\underline{u}(t)$  Known input that drives  $\dot{\underline{x}}$

$L$  Matrix mapping  $\underline{u}(t)$  into  $\dot{\underline{x}}$

$\underline{w}(t)$  Vector of noise inputs, covariance Q

$G$  Matrix mapping  $\underline{w}(t)$  into  $\dot{\underline{x}}$

# State Space System Modeling



## ● Continuous Formulation

$$\frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} = \underline{f}(\underline{x}) + L \cdot \underline{u}(t) + G \cdot \underline{w}(t), \quad \text{Cov}\{\underline{w}\} = Q$$

$$\underline{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) \cdot \underline{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, \tau) (L \cdot \underline{u}(\tau) + G \cdot \underline{w}(\tau)) d\tau$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Phi(t, t_0) = F(t) \cdot \Phi(t, t_0), \quad F(t) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{J}(\underline{x})}{\partial \underline{x}}, \quad \Phi(t_0, t_0) = I$$

## ● Discrete Formulation

$$\underline{x}_{k+1} = \Phi \cdot \underline{x}_k + \Lambda \cdot \underline{u}_k + \Gamma \cdot \underline{w}_k$$

# Continuous Formulation



- Real World
  - Most Things are Continuous
    - » Aircraft Position
    - » Sensor Position
  - Discrete Formulation Approximation Follows from Continuous Formulation
    - » Sampling Continuous Case (as in Gelb pp. 66-67)
    - » Directly Approximating the Continuous Case
- Simple to Use with Discrete Kalman Filter



# State Transition Matrix



- Time Derivative of Matrix Superposition Integral

$$\underline{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) \cdot \underline{x}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, \tau) (L \cdot \underline{u}(\tau) + G \cdot \underline{w}(\tau)) d\tau$$

- Result

$$\dot{\underline{x}}(t) = F \cdot \Phi(t, t_0) \cdot \underline{x}(t_0) + \Phi(t, t) (L \cdot \underline{u}(t) + G \cdot \underline{w}(t))$$

- Shows

- Matrix Superposition Integral is State Propagation Equation
- State Transition Matrix  $\Phi(t, t_0)$  is General Homogeneous Solution to State Equation



# Special Cases



- For  $F(t)$  Constant

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = \exp(F \cdot (t - t_0))$$

- For  $t - t_0$  Small

$$\Phi(t, t_0) \approx I + F(t_1) \cdot (t - t_0), \quad t_0 < t_1 < t$$

- For Constant Velocity Case

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Phi(t - t_0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t - t_0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrix Superposition Integral



- Generalizes Linear System Model
  - Inhomogeneities;  $L \cdot \underline{u}(t)$
  - Noisy Influences;  $G \cdot \underline{w}(t)$
- Similar to Scalar Superposition Integral
- Leads to General Continuous State Equation
- Necessary for Next Step
  - Covariance Propagation
  - Continuous and Discrete Formulations



# Covariance Propagation Equation



- Given
  - Random Vector  $\underline{x}$  with Covariance  $P_x$
  - Functional Relationship  $y(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x})$

- From the Taylor Expansion

$$\underline{y} = \underline{f}(\underline{x}_0) + F \cdot (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0) + O((\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0)^2), \quad F = \frac{\partial \underline{f}(\underline{x})}{\partial \underline{x}}$$

- The Mean and Covariance of  $y$  are Approximately

$$\underline{\bar{y}} \approx \underline{f}(\underline{\bar{x}}), \quad P_y \approx F \cdot P_x \cdot F^T$$



# State Covariance Propagation



- State Propagation Equation (Gelb, p. 76)

$$\underline{x}_{k+1} = \Phi_k \cdot \underline{x}_k + \Lambda_k \cdot \underline{u}_k + \Gamma_k \cdot \underline{w}_k$$

- Covariance of Both Sides Gives

$$P_{k+1} = \Phi_k \cdot P_k \cdot \Phi_k^T + \Gamma_k \cdot Q_k \cdot \Gamma_k^T, \quad Q_k = Cov\{\underline{w}_k\}$$

- Subtracting  $P_k$  from  $P_{k+1}$  and Taking Limit
  - Gelb, page 77
  - Continuous Covariance Propagation Equation

$$\dot{P} = F \cdot P + P \cdot F^T + G \cdot Q \cdot G^T$$

# Markov Processes



## ● Definition

A Markov Process is a sequence of Gaussian zero-mean random numbers  $y_i$  which can be produced by uncorrelated, constant variance Gaussian noise passed through a recursive filter. If the order of the filter is N, the sequence is called Markov-N.

## ● Example

$$y_{i+1} = a \cdot y_i + b \cdot n_i, \quad n_i \in G(0,1), \quad \langle x_i \cdot x_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$$

## ● Steady State Variance (Noise Gain)

$$\langle y^2 \rangle = \frac{b^2}{1-a^2} \cdot \langle n^2 \rangle$$



# Noise Gain Through Filter



- Compare DC Gain to Noise Gain

$$\langle y \rangle = \frac{b}{1-a} \cdot \langle x \rangle$$

- Power Ratio, Noise to DC

$$Noise\ Gain = \frac{1+a}{1-a} = \frac{1}{\tanh\left(\frac{T}{2\tau}\right)}$$

- Correlation Time is  $\uparrow$



# Vector Markov Process



- A Markov-N Process
  - Can Be Represented by a Markov-1 Process
  - Involving an N-Vector

$$\underline{y}_{k+1} = A \cdot \underline{y}_k + B \cdot \underline{n}_k$$

- Steady State Covariance

$$P_{\infty} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A^i \cdot B \cdot B^T \cdot A^{iT}$$

- Converges if All Characteristic Values of A are Inside the Unit Circle (Why?)

# From Gelb Pages 51 – 56



- Time Domain Emphasized
  - Recent Work
  - Frequency Domain Presented in Class
- N<sup>th</sup> Order Differential Equation
  - Matrix Representation – Companion Form
  - Relationship with Block Diagram
- Mechanical System Example

# From Gelb Pages 57 – 63



- State Transition Matrix
  - A More General Form for the State Equation is

$$\dot{\underline{x}}(t) = \underline{f}(\underline{x}(t), t), \underline{x}(t_0) = \underline{x}_0$$

- The Equivalent State Transition Matrix is

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = \frac{\partial \underline{x}(t)}{\partial \underline{x}_0}$$

- Does This Work for Gelb's Cases?

# From Gelb, Pages 63 – 67



- Matrix Superposition Integral

$$\underline{x}(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) \cdot \underline{x}_0 + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, \tau) \cdot L(\tau) \cdot \underline{u}(\tau) \cdot d\tau$$

- Note for General Case

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Phi(t, t_0) = \frac{\partial \dot{\underline{x}}_H}{\partial \underline{x}_0} = \frac{\partial f(\underline{x}_H)}{\partial \underline{x}_0} = F(t) \cdot \Phi(t, t_0)$$

$$F(t) = \frac{\partial f(\underline{x}_H(t), t)}{\partial \underline{x}_H}$$

# From Gelb, Pages 72 – 78



- Covariance Propagation Equation
  - Noise in True State Treated
  - Estimation Not Considered
- Noise in True State
  - Driven by “Plant Noise”
  - Covariance Q
- Applicability to Our Generalization
  - Holds for Discrete Case
  - Linearized Approximation for Continuous Case



## From Gelb Problems 3-1 and 3-2, page 97



- Linear Superposition Integral
  - Shows Linear Superposition Integral is Solution
  - Shows Steady State Solution
- Significance
  - Superposition Integral Provides Useful Approximations
  - Steady State Covariance Matrix Used in Prediction Modeling



# Solution to Linear Variance Equation



- The Equation

$$P(t) = \Phi(t, t_0) P(t_0) \Phi(t, t_0)^T + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, \tau) G(\tau) Q(\tau) G^T(\tau) \Phi(t, \tau) \cdot d\tau$$

- Key Derivative

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \left( \Phi(t, t_0) \cdot A \cdot \Phi(t, t_0)^T \right) \\ &= F \cdot \Phi(t, t_0) \cdot A \cdot \Phi(t, t_0)^T \\ &+ \Phi(t, t_0) \cdot A \cdot \Phi(t, t_0)^T \cdot F^T \end{aligned}$$

- Use Leibniz's Rule and Chain Rule

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{a(t)}^{b(t)} f(x, t) dx = \dot{b}f(b, t) - \dot{a}f(a, t) + \int_{a(t)}^{b(t)} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(x, t) \right) dx$$



# Steady State Covariance



- Linear Variance Equation

- Use Special Case

$$\dot{P} = F \cdot P + P \cdot F^T + Q$$

- Set Time Derivative to Zero

- Use Closed Form

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = \exp(F \cdot (t - t_0))$$

- Take Limit

- What are Conditions on Existence?

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# Coordinate Systems Definition



- Inertial Coordinate System Examples
  - Local North, East, Down
  - Either
    - » Rotates With Earth, or
    - » Non-Rotating Earth Model
  - Earth Centered Inertial Coordinates (ECIC)
- Airframe
  - Nose, Right Wing, Down
  - Rotates With Airframe



# Coordinate Axes



- Inertial Coordinates -- Axes Are

$$\underline{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{j} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Airframe Coordinates
  - Axes are Rows of A Matrix
  - A Matrix is  $[i, j, k]$  in Airframe Coordinates



# Coordinate Changes



- Reference -- Quaternion Report, pp. 24-32
- The Euler Sequence of Angles From Inertial to Non-Inertial Coordinates
  - Yaw, or Azimuth First
  - Pitch, or Elevation Angle Next
  - Roll, or Rotation About X Axis Last
- Euler Sequence of Angles from Non-Inertial to Inertial Coordinates
  - First Roll, Then Pitch, and Yaw Last
- Operation  $\underline{r}' = \underline{A} \cdot \underline{x}$  or  $\underline{q} \cdot \underline{r} \cdot \underline{q}^*$  Rotates from Inertial to Airframe Coordinates

# Rotation Matrix



$$A = A_R \cdot A_P \cdot A_Y$$

$$A_R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ 0 & -\sin \phi & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \text{(roll)}$$

$$A_P = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & 0 & -\sin \gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & 0 & \cos \gamma \end{bmatrix} \text{(pitch)}$$

$$A_y = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \psi & \sin \psi & 0 \\ -\sin \psi & \cos \psi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{(yaw)}$$



# Rotation Quaternion



$$q = q_R \cdot q_P \cdot q_Y$$

$$q_R = \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) + \underline{i} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right), \quad \underline{i} = \text{inertial x axis}$$

$$q_P = \cos\left(\frac{\gamma}{2}\right) + \underline{j} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\gamma}{2}\right), \quad \underline{j} = \text{inertial y axis}$$

$$q_Y = \cos\left(\frac{\psi}{2}\right) + \underline{k} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\psi}{2}\right), \quad \underline{k} = \text{inertial z axis}$$

# Synthesizing Quaternions: FORTRAN Code



```
subroutine qsynth(roll,pitch,yaw,q) !Quaternion synthesis
c Inputs:
c roll  Roll, radians
c pitch Pitch, radians
c yaw   Yaw, radians
c Output:
c q(4)  Rotation quaternion, inertial to airframe coordinates
c Coordinate systems: NWU inertial, nose-left-up airframe
c Algorithm: q=qr*qp*qy,
c     qr=cos(roll/2)+i*sin(roll/2)
c     qp=cos(pitch/2)+j*sin(pitch/2)
c     qy=cos(yaw/2)+k*sin(yaw/2)
      implicit none
      double precision roll,pitch,yaw,q(4),qr(2),qp(2),qy(2),qi(4)
      ...
      ...
```

# Synthesizing Quaternions: FORTRAN Code (2 of 2)



```
...
qr(1)=cos(.5d0*roll) !Store quaternion factors
qr(2)=sin(.5d0*roll) !Use two locations for factors
qp(1)=cos(.5d0*pitch)
qp(2)=sin(.5d0*pitch)
qy(1)=cos(.5d0*yaw)
qy(2)=sin(.5d0*yaw)
qi(1)=qr(1)*qp(1) !Store qi=qr*qp
qi(2)=qp(1)*qr(2)
qi(3)=qr(1)*qp(2)
qi(4)=qr(2)*qp(2)
q(1)=qi(1)*qy(1)-qi(4)*qy(2) !Compute output q=qi*qy
q(2)=qi(2)*qy(1)+qi(3)*qy(2)
q(3)=qi(3)*qy(1)-qi(2)*qy(2)
q(4)=qi(4)*qy(1)+qi(1)*qy(2)
return
end
```



# Rotating Vectors With Quaternions



- Using Finished Equation

$$q = q_0 + \underline{v}$$

$$\underline{r}' = q \cdot \underline{r} \cdot q^* = \left( q_0^2 - |\underline{v}|^2 \right) \cdot \underline{r} + 2 \cdot q_0 \cdot \underline{v} \times \underline{r} + 2 \cdot (\underline{v}^T \cdot \underline{r}) \cdot \underline{v}$$

- Using Intermediate Products

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{r}' &= (q_0 + \underline{v}) \cdot \underline{r} \cdot (q_0 - \underline{v}) \\ &= (q_0 + \underline{v}) \cdot (\underline{v}^T \cdot \underline{r} + q_0 \cdot \underline{r} + \underline{v} \times \underline{r}) \\ &= q_0^2 \cdot \underline{r} + 2 \cdot q_0 \cdot \underline{v} \times \underline{r} + (\underline{v}^T \cdot \underline{r}) \cdot \underline{v} + \underline{v} \times (\underline{v} \times \underline{r})\end{aligned}$$

# Rotation with Quaternions: FORTRAN Code



```
subroutine quarot(q,v,vr) !Quaternion rotation of a vector
c Inputs:
c q(4) Rotation quaternion
c v      Vector to be rotated
c Output: vr=q*v*conj(q)
c Algorithm: q=q0+w, w is vector part
c vr=(q0^2-(wT*w))*v + 2*q0*(w X v) + 2*(wT*v)*w
implicit none
integer i
double precision q(4),v(3),vr(3),vtemp1(3),
+ temp1,dot,temp2,temp3
call crossp(q(2),v,vtemp1) !Begin with cross product
temp1=q(1)**2 !Find q0**2 minus squared length of w, q0**2-(wT*w)
do i=2,4
    temp1=temp1-q(i)**2
enddo
temp2=2.d0*q(1)
temp3=2.d0*dot(v,q(2))
do i=1,3 !Combine temporary vectors as per algorithm
    vr(i)=temp1*v(i)+temp2*vtemp1(i)+temp3*q(i+1)
enddo
return
end
```

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# Optimizing the Alpha Beta Filter



- Notation

- States

- » True target state at time  $t_i$      $\underline{x}_i$
  - » Estimated target state at time  $t_i$      $\hat{x}_i$
  - » Extrapolated target state at time  $t_i$  from data available up to time  $t_{i-1}$      $\tilde{x}_i$

- Plant Noise

- » Perturbation of  $\underline{x}$  from  $t_{i-1}$  to  $t_i$      $\underline{u}_i$
  - » Covariance of  $\underline{u}_i$      $Q$



# Notation (Continued)



## ● Measurements

- Vector of measurements available at time  $t_i$   $\underline{y}_i$
- Random noise in the measurements  $\underline{v}_i$
- Covariance of  $\underline{v}_i$   $R_i$

## ● Mapping

- Target states to the measurements  $H_i$
- Tracker Gain  $K_i$
- State Transition Matrix from  $t_{i-1}$  to  $t_i$   $\Phi_i$

# More Notation



- State Covariances

- Covariance of  $\underline{\tilde{x}}_i - \underline{x}_i$   $\tilde{P}_i$
- Covariance of  $\hat{\underline{x}}_i - \underline{x}_i$   $P_i$

- Target Motion with Noise Perturbation

$$\underline{x}_i = \Phi_i \cdot \underline{x}_{i-1} + \underline{u}_i$$

- Measurement Model

$$\underline{y}_i = H_i \cdot \underline{x}_i + \underline{v}_i$$

# Still More Notation



- Extrapolation of State Vector Estimate from  $t_{i-1}$  to  $t_i$

$$\underline{\tilde{x}}_i = \Phi_i \cdot \underline{\hat{x}}_{i-1}$$

- Update of Estimate

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\hat{x}}_i &= \underline{\tilde{x}}_i + K_i \cdot (\underline{y}_i - H_i \cdot \underline{\tilde{x}}_i) \\ &= (I - K_i \cdot H_i) \cdot \Phi_i \cdot \underline{\hat{x}}_{i-1} + K \cdot \underline{y}_i\end{aligned}$$



# Covariance of Estimate



- Extrapolated States

$$\tilde{P}_i = \Phi_i \cdot P_{i-1} \cdot \Phi_i^T + Q_i$$

- Updated State Vector

$$P_i = (I - K_i \cdot H_i) \cdot \tilde{P}_i \cdot (I - K_i \cdot H_i)^T + K_i \cdot R_i \cdot K_i^T$$

# How to Minimize of $P_i$



- Define a Cost Function
  - Trace of  $P_i$  is
    - » Scalar Cost Function
    - » Gradients are Simple to Compute
    - » Visualization
      - Box Containing Localization Ellipsoid
      - Distance from Center to Corner
  - Determinant of  $P_i$ 
    - » Square of Volume of Box
    - » Gives Same Answer
- Show Result Using the Trace

# Optimum Gain



- Gradient of Trace Follows Gelb, page 23

$$\frac{\partial \text{tr}(P_i)}{\partial K} = -2 \cdot (I - K_i \cdot H_i) \cdot \tilde{P}_i \cdot H_i^T + 2 \cdot K_i \cdot R_i = 0$$

- Solving for  $K_i$

$$K_i \cdot (H_i \cdot \tilde{P}_i \cdot H_i^T + R_i) = \tilde{P}_i \cdot H_i^T$$

- Gain for Minimum Variance

$$K_i = \tilde{P}_i \cdot H_i^T \cdot (H_i \cdot \tilde{P}_i \cdot H_i^T + R_i)^{-1}$$

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# Using $K_i$ to Find $P_i$



- The General Equation for  $P_i$

$$\begin{aligned} P &= (I - K \cdot H) \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot (I - K \cdot H)^T + K \cdot R \cdot K^T \\ &= (I - K \cdot H) \cdot \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot H^T \cdot K^T \\ &\quad + K \cdot H \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot H^T \cdot K^T + K \cdot R \cdot K^T \\ &= (I - K \cdot H) \cdot \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot H^T \cdot K^T \\ &\quad + K \cdot (H \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot H^T + R) \cdot K^T \end{aligned}$$

- Using the Optimum  $K_i$

$$P = (I - K \cdot H) \cdot \tilde{P}$$

# Developing Alternative Forms for P



- Substituting the Optimal K in the Last Equation

$$P = \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot H^T \left( H \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot H^T + R \right)^{-1} \cdot H \cdot \tilde{P}$$

- Matrix Inversion Lemma

$$\left( A + B \cdot C^{-1} \cdot D \right)^{-1}$$

$$= A^{-1} - A^{-1} \cdot B \cdot \left( C + D \cdot A^{-1} \cdot B \right)^{-1} \cdot D \cdot A^{-1}$$

# Alternative Form for P



- Form for Inverse of P

$$P^{-1} = \tilde{P}^{-1} + H^T \cdot R^{-1} \cdot H$$

- Alternative Form for Filter Gain (Gelb, page 112)

$$K = P \cdot H^T \cdot R^{-1}$$

- Interesting Footnote; if used, usually causes numerical instability in the recursion!

$$P \cdot \tilde{P}^{-1} = I - K \cdot H$$



# Summary of Simple Kalman Filter



- Models

- State Vector

$$\underline{x} = \Phi \cdot \underline{x}(-) + \underline{w}, \text{ Cov}(\underline{w}) = Q$$

- Measurements

$$\underline{y} = H\underline{x} + \underline{v}, \text{ Cov}(\underline{v}) = R$$

- Initialization

$$\underline{x}(-) = \underline{x}(0), \text{ } P(-) = P(0)$$

# Implementation of Kalman Filter



- Extrapolation to Current Time

- States

$$\tilde{x} = \Phi \cdot \hat{x}(-)$$

- Covariance

$$\tilde{P} = \Phi \cdot P(-) \cdot \Phi^T + Q$$

- Kalman Gain

$$K = \tilde{P} \cdot H^T \cdot (H \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot H^T + R)^{-1}$$

# Simple Kalman Update



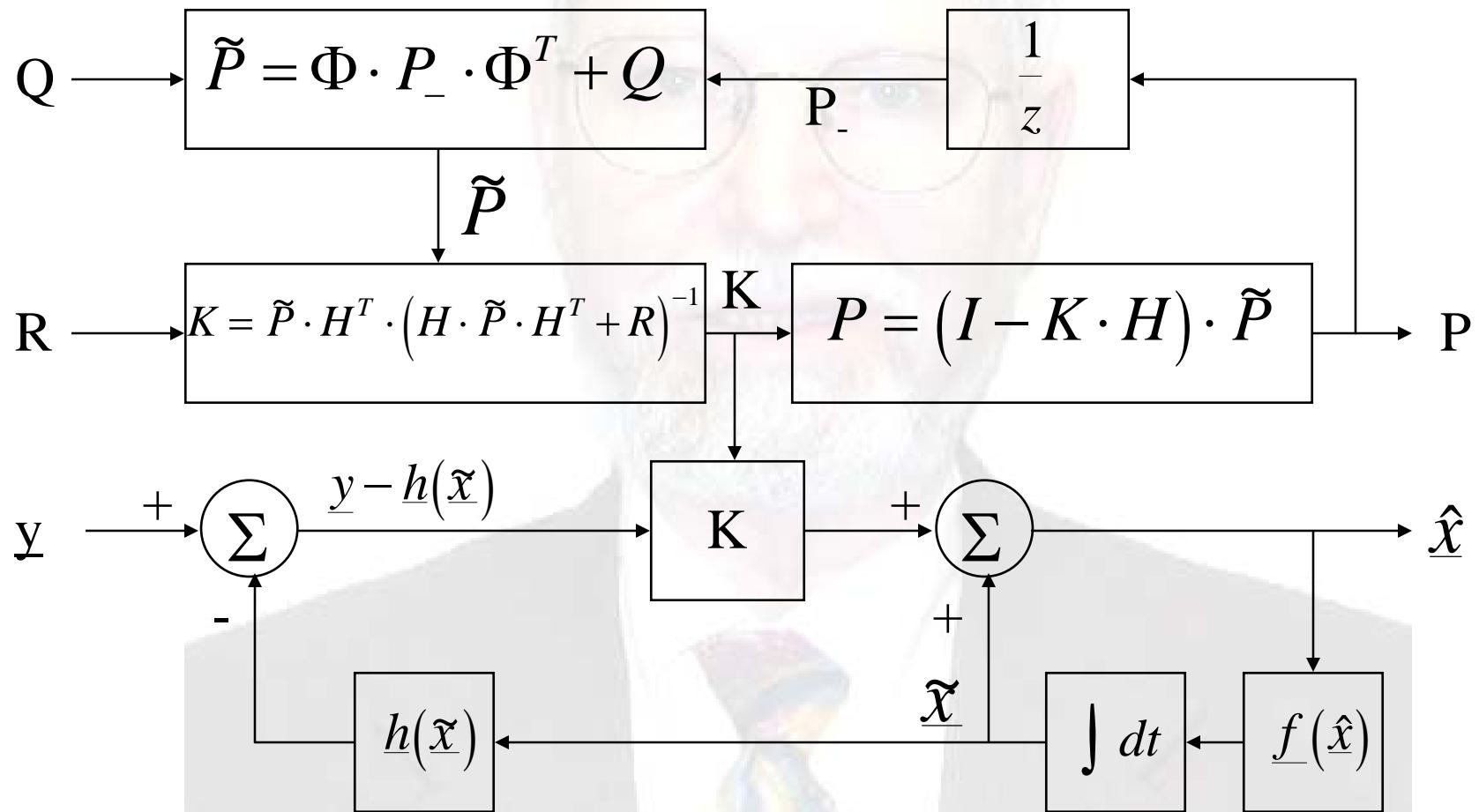
- State Vector

$$\hat{\underline{x}} = \tilde{\underline{x}} + K \cdot (\underline{y} - H \cdot \tilde{\underline{x}})$$

- Covariance Matrix

$$\begin{aligned} P &= (I - K \cdot H) \cdot \tilde{P} \\ &= (I - K \cdot H) \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot (I - K \cdot H)^T + K \cdot R \cdot K^T \\ &= [\tilde{P}^{-1} + H^T \cdot R^{-1} \cdot H]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

# Kalman Filter Data Flow



# Steady State Covariance



- Linear Variance Equation

- Use Special Case

$$\dot{P} = F \cdot P + P \cdot F^T + Q$$

- Set Time Derivative to Zero

- Use Closed Form

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = \exp(F \cdot (t - t_0))$$

- Take Limit

- What are Conditions on Existence?

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Topic 12: Tracker Architectures  
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# High Level Tracker



- Only Needed When
  - Mid Level Tracker Can't Meet Requirements
  - Higher Accuracy or Longer Integration Time Needed than General Purpose Kalman Filter can Provide
- Design for Single Requirement
  - Accuracy vs. Integration Time
  - Often a Batch

# Types of Tracker Estimators



- Ad Hoc
  - Simple Averaging
  - Linear Regression
  - Least Squares
  - Alpha-Beta
  - Weighted Last Squares
- All Have Their Legitimate Application
  - Minimum Complexity to Meet Requirements

# Estimator Types (Continued)



- Kalman Filter
- Other Statistically Based Estimators
  - Bayesian Mean
  - Maximum Likelihood
  - Hypotheses Testing
  - Median, Centiles
  - Kolmogorov-Smirnov
  - Other

# Best Candidates for High Level Tracker Batch Estimators



- Method of Maximum Likelihood
  - Very Simple, General, Powerful
  - Sufficient, Consistent
  - Always Asymptotically Unbiased, Efficient
- Bayesian Weighted Least Squares
  - Uses *A Priori* Information
  - Similar Otherwise to Maximum Likelihood
- Maximum *A Priori*

# Lessons Learned



- Mapping
  - Estimate is Same
    - » Variance
    - » Standard Deviation
  - Maximum Likelihood Always Maps (Why?)
- The Variance is Biased
  - Estimator is Nonlinear
  - Asymptotically Unbiased, Efficient
  - Bias is Correctable

# Summary



- Estimation Theory Examples
  - Classical Mean and Variance with MLE
  - Bivariate Regression
  - Multivariate Regression
- Singer Process Noise Model
- Extended Kalman Filters
  - Differences
  - Approximations

# Summary (Concluded)



- Adaptive Kalman Filter Derivation
  - Augmented State Vector
  - Example
- Tuning Kalman Filters
  - Simplification of Derivation
  - File of the Week
- Batch Estimators
  - Maximum Likelihood
  - Others

# Tracker Architecture



- Defined by Functional Flowdown
  - Tracker Manager
    - » Supports System Requirements
    - » Highest Level Tracker CSC
  - Other Tracker Functions
    - » Organized by Tracker Manager
    - » Lower Level CSC's
- Application and Requirements Driven

# Two Tracker Architectures



- Conventional Tracker Architecture When
  - High Update Rate
  - Low Target Density in Measurement Space
- Multiple Hypothesis Tracker When
  - High False Alarm Rate
  - Low Update Rate
  - High Target Density
- Conventional Trackers Today, MHT to Follow

# The Tracker Manager



- Inputs

- Signal Processor Detection Data
- INS Data
- Operator Inputs
- Command and Control Inputs and Data

- Outputs

- Track Files
- Display and Control Support
- Command and Control Support



# Sequence of Operations



- Process Detection Data
  - Reformat Information for Tracker Use
  - Compute Variances of Measurements
- Associate Detections with Track Files
- Perform Track File Maintenance
  - Update
  - Maintain Track Quality Score Functions
  - Initiate, Drop Tracks
  - Bifurcate, Merge Tracks

# Differences Between Trackers



- Use of Detection Data
  - Only Once per Detection
  - Or, As Many Times as Association Indicates
- Bifurcation of Track Files
  - Split a Track File into Two Track Files
  - When You Have Two Updates in One Dwell
  - Or, When an Association is Specious
- Merging Not Always Necessary



# Merging Tracks



- Multiple Track File Updates from One Detection
  - Useful in Tracking Aircraft in Close Formation
  - Dual Tracks of a Single Target are Possible
- How to Do It
  - Treat Both State Vectors and Covariances as “Measurements”
  - Estimate a Single State Vector



# Bifurcating Tracks



- Nearly Always Necessary
  - Aircraft in Close Formation
    - » May Become Resolved by Radar
    - » Aircraft Flight Paths May Diverge
  - Aircraft may Fire Missile
  - Range Gate Pulloff (RGPO) Jamming
- How to Do It
  - Detections “Walk Away” from Track
  - Two Detections Want to Associate

# Track Quality Score Functions



- Used to Decide When to Drop Tracks
- Simple
  - Time in Track
  - Number of Consecutive “Misses”
- Statistically Based
  - Localization Accuracy from Covariance Matrix
  - Likelihood Ratio Based on Target Model
    - » Number Crunching Available from Association Process
    - » Core Score Function for Multiple Hypothesis

# Other Tracker Functions



- Generating Alerts
  - Missile Firing Warning
  - ECCM Operator Inputs
- Data Fusion
  - Measurements from
    - » More than One Sensor on the Platform
    - » Other Platforms
  - Association and Update from Multiple Sensors

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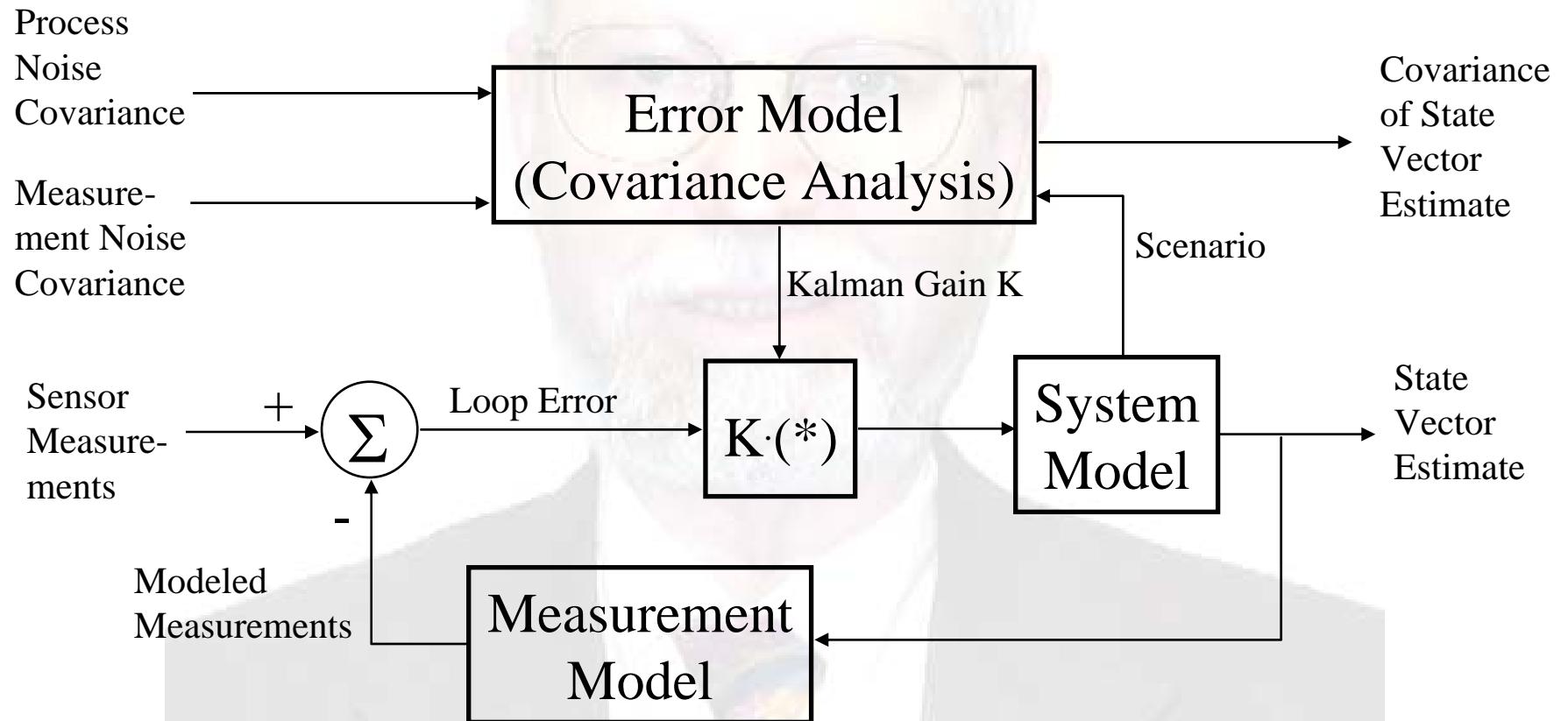
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# Tracking Filters

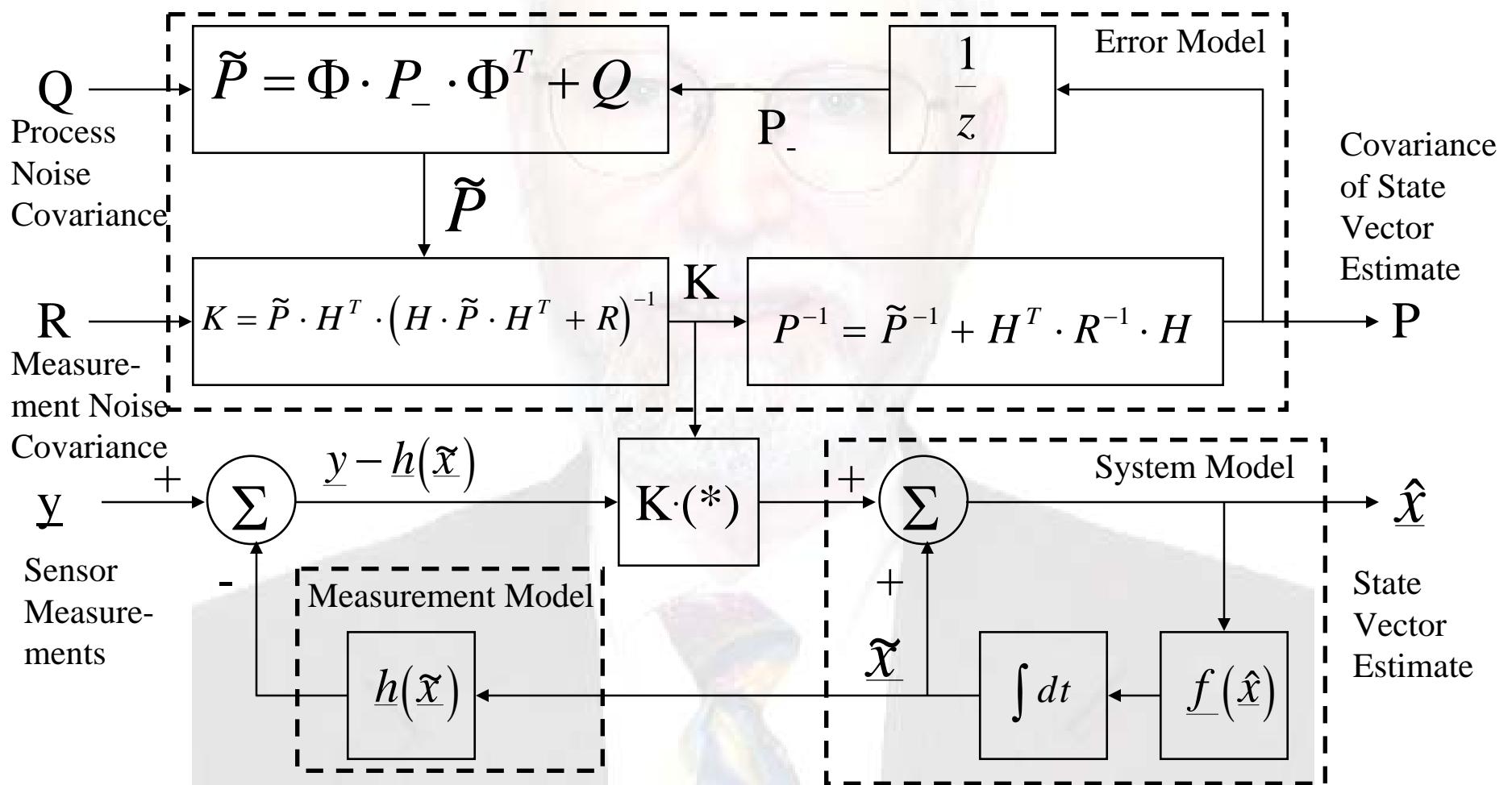


- Alpha Beta
  - Simple Two State
  - Already Studied
- Alpha Beta Gamma
  - Three State Extension
  - Still Limited to Range Measurements Only
- Kalman Filters

# Kalman Filter Concept



# Kalman Filter Data Flow





# Use of Kalman Filters in Trackers



- Function: Track File Maintenance
- Begin With Track File Requirements
  - Support Association of Detections to Track Files
  - Store State of Target Track
    - » First Detection or Initialized
    - » Other Track Quality Indicators
    - » Displays and Controls Information
  - Support Range and Doppler Resolve

# Track Filter Architecture



- Support Association
  - Use Simple Two-State
    - » Range (Ambiguous)
    - » Doppler (Ambiguous)
    - » Azimuth
    - » Elevation
  - Use Ambiguous or Unambiguous Range and Doppler for Association
- Support Estimation Functions Separately

# Tiered Track Filters



- Lowest Level
  - Support Association
  - Support Range and Doppler Resolve
- Mid Level
  - Support Real Time Displays and Controls
  - Support Command and Control
- High Level
  - Support Fire Control
  - Support Platform Survivability

# The Track Filters



- Low Level
  - Very Simple
  - Adaptive Kalman Filter
- Mid Level
  - Requirements Driven Design
  - Adaptive Square Root Kalman Filter
- High Level
  - Batch Estimator for Cramer-Rao Bound Performance
  - Traceable to Method of Maximum Likelihood

# Square Root Filters



- Three Principal Types
  - Square Root Covariance - Potter
  - UDUT Factorization - Agee, Turner
  - Square Root Information - Agee, Turner, Carlson, Bierman
- All are Algebraically Equivalent to EKF
  - Extrapolation, Update Algorithms Differ
  - Track File Storage of Covariance is Different

# Recommendations



- Use Special Adaptive Two or Three State
- Use SRIF or UDUT for Four or More States
- UDUT
  - Standard Kalman Format
  - Computation Requirements Low
- SRIF
  - High Performance even with Observability Problems
  - Computation Requirements Low



# The Special Adaptive Filters



- Several Varieties
  - Two State, Upgrade of Alpha Beta Tracker
  - Two State for Chirped Pulses
  - Three State Upgrade of Alpha Beta Gamma, Chirped Pulses
  - Etc.
- Divide, Not Subtract
  - In Kalman Gain
  - In Covariance Update
- Seen Only In
  - This Course
  - Some East Coast Raytheon Trackers Since 1979
- Known as “Snake Oil Trackers”



# Two State Snake Oil Tracker



- Kalman Gain (Range Measurement Only)

$$K = \frac{1}{\tilde{p}_{11} + R} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_{11} \\ \tilde{p}_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{P} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} + 2Tp_{12} + T^2 p_{22} + q_{11} & p_{12} + Tp_{22} \\ p_{12} + Tp_{22} & p_{22} + q_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Covariance Update

$$P = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\tilde{p}_{11}}{R}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_{11} & \tilde{p}_{12} \\ \tilde{p}_{12} & \tilde{p}_{22} + \frac{D}{R} \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \tilde{p}_{11} \cdot \tilde{p}_{22} - \tilde{p}_{12}^2$$



# Initialization From Data



- From First Hit

$$\underline{x}(t_0) = \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} R_0 & 0 \\ 0 & \text{< Large>} \end{bmatrix}$$

- From Second Hit (Full Initialization using MLE)

$$\underline{x}(t_1) = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \frac{y_1 - y_0}{T} \end{bmatrix}, \quad P(t_1) = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & \frac{R_1}{T} \\ \frac{R_1}{T} & \frac{R_0 + R_1}{T^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Adaptive Process Noise



- Adaptation by Estimation of Process Noise Matrix Q as an Unknown
  - Gelb, pp. 316-320
  - Two papers by R.K. Mehra in IEEE AES in 1970 and 1971
- Modifications for Simplicity and Practicality
  - Use Assumed Form for Process Noise Covariance Matrix
  - Simplify Equations
  - Apply Estimate to Current Update

# The Innovations Sequence



- The Kalman Filter Loop Error Data

$$\underline{e} = \underline{y} - \underline{h}(\underline{x}), \text{ Cov}\{\underline{e}\} = E = H \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot H^T + R$$

$g = \underline{e}^T \cdot E^{-1} \cdot \underline{e}$  is chi - square

- Important Properties

- Uncorrelated Update to Update (Innovations Sequence)
- Sensitive to Errors in System Model
- Provides Observability of Q and R

# Application of Adaptive Process Noise



- Theoretical Approach
  - Use Cross Correlations of the Innovations Sequence Between Updates
  - Estimate Q or R, or Both
- Heuristic Approaches
  - Assume Form for Q with Magnitude Unknown
  - Use g to Estimate Magnitude
- Simplest Approach: Use  $|e|^2$  Instead of g



# Assumed Forms for Q



- Simplest Basic Format for Q

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} q_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & q_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot |\underline{e}|^2$$

- Options

- Highest Accuracy:  $q_{11} = 0$
- Fastest Maneuver Detection:  $q_{11} > 0$

- Tuning

- Select  $q_{22}$  to Scale Process Noise
- Minimize  $q_{11}$

# Other Forms of Adaptive Kalman Filters



- Estimate Plant Noise Level

- Use Form for Plant Noise:

$$Q = \left( (\underline{y} - \underline{h}(\tilde{x}))^T \cdot W \cdot (\underline{y} - \underline{h}(\tilde{x})) \right) \cdot Q_0$$

- Tuning Matrices

- » Diagonal Matrix  $W$  is Weights for Measurements
  - » Diagonal  $Q_0$  is Magnitude and Form Information for  $Q$

- Adaptive Bandwidth Feature

- Tunable for High Performance with Steady Targets
  - Opens Up when Target Maneuvers

# Two State for Chirp



- Measurement Sensitivity Matrix

$$H = [c \quad 1]$$

- Parameter c is Chirp Rate Over Center Frequency

- Kalman Gain

$$K = \frac{1}{q + R} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_{11} \cdot c + \tilde{p}_{12} \\ \tilde{p}_{12} \cdot c + \tilde{p}_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$q = \tilde{p}_{11} \cdot c^2 + 2 \cdot \tilde{p}_{12} \cdot c + \tilde{p}_{22}$$

# Two State Chirp (Continued)



- Covariance Update

$$P = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{q}{R}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_{11} + \frac{D}{R} & \tilde{p}_{12} - \frac{D}{R} \cdot c \\ \tilde{p}_{12} - \frac{D}{R} \cdot c & \tilde{p}_{22} + \frac{D}{R} \cdot c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Three State Snake Oil Tracker



- Upgrade of Alpha Beta Gamma Tracker
- Measurement Sensitivity Matrix

$$H = [1 \ 0 \ 0]$$

- Kalman Gain

$$K = \frac{1}{\tilde{p}_{11} + R} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_{11} \\ \tilde{p}_{12} \\ \tilde{p}_{13} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Three State Covariance Update



$$P = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\tilde{p}_{11}}{R}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_{11} & \tilde{p}_{12} & \tilde{p}_{13} \\ \tilde{p}_{12} & \tilde{p}_{22} + \frac{a_{33}}{R} & \tilde{p}_{23} - \frac{a_{23}}{R} \\ \tilde{p}_{13} & \tilde{p}_{23} - \frac{a_{23}}{R} & \tilde{p}_{33} + \frac{a_{22}}{R} \end{bmatrix},$$

$a_{ij}$  are elements of  $A = |\tilde{P}| \cdot \tilde{P}^{-1}$



# Three State for Chirp



- Measurement Sensitivity Matrix

$$H = [c \quad 1 \quad 0]$$

- Kalman Gain

$$K = \frac{1}{q + R} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_{11} \cdot c + \tilde{p}_{12} \\ \tilde{p}_{12} \cdot c + \tilde{p}_{22} \\ \tilde{p}_{13} \cdot c + \tilde{p}_{23} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$q = H \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot H^T = \tilde{p}_{11} \cdot c^2 + 2 \cdot \tilde{p}_{12} \cdot c + \tilde{p}_{22}$$

# Three State Chirp (Continued)



- Covariance Update Algorithm Based On

$$P = \tilde{P} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + \frac{a_{33}}{R} \cdot c^2 & a_{12} + \frac{a_{33}}{R} \cdot c & a_{13} \\ a_{12} + \frac{a_{33}}{R} \cdot c & a_{22} + \frac{a_{33}}{R} & a_{23} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

# Three State Chirp (Continued)



- Matrix Inversion Lemma

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \left( \tilde{P}^{-1} + H^T \cdot R^{-1} \cdot H \right)^{-1} \\ &= \tilde{P} - \frac{1}{H \cdot \tilde{P} \cdot H^T + R} \cdot (\tilde{P} \cdot H^T) \cdot (\tilde{P} \cdot H^T)^T \end{aligned}$$

- Computational From Is ...



$$P = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{q}{R}} \cdot \left( \begin{array}{l} \tilde{P} + \frac{a_{33}}{R} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -c & 0 \\ -c & c^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ + \frac{a_{23} \cdot c - a_{13}}{R} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -c \\ 1 & -c & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ + \frac{a_{22} \cdot c^2 - 2 \cdot a_{12} \cdot c + a_{11}}{R} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right)$$

# Derivation of The Adaptive Kalman Filter



- System Model

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{f}(\underline{x}) + G \cdot \underline{w}, \quad \underline{x}(t_0) = \underline{x}_0$$

- Measurement Model

$$\underline{y} = \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \underline{v}$$

- System Transition Matrix

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = \frac{\partial \underline{x}(t)}{\partial \underline{x}_0}$$

# Extended Kalman Filter Notation Revisited (Concluded)



- Measurement Sensitivity Matrix

$$H = \frac{\partial h(\underline{x})}{\partial \underline{x}}, \quad \underline{x} = \tilde{\underline{x}}$$

- Other

- Kalman Gain Unchanged
- Covariance Extrapolation Unchanged
- Covariance Update Unchanged
- All are Approximations



# Adaptive Kalman Filter Reformulation



- Augment State Vector
  - Plant Noise Scaling Parameter is in States
  - Add New Measurement
- Augmented State Model

$$\underline{x}_a = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}_1 \\ \underline{x}_2 \\ \underline{x}_3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\underline{x}}_1 \\ \dot{\underline{x}}_2 \\ \dot{\underline{x}}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f(\underline{x}_1) + \sqrt{\underline{x}_2} \cdot \underline{x}_3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \varepsilon \cdot w_2 \\ w_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Augmented Measurements



## ● Measurement Model

$$\underline{y}_a = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{h}_1(\underline{x}_1) \\ \underline{e}_1 \cdot \underline{e}_1^T - \text{Trace}\{E\} \end{bmatrix}^+ \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & 0 \\ 0 & R_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{e}_1 = \underline{y}_1 - \underline{h}_1(\tilde{\underline{x}}_1), \quad E = H_1 \cdot \tilde{P}_{11} \cdot H_1^T + R_1$$

## ● Arbitrary New Measurement

$$y_2 = \underline{e}_1^T \cdot \underline{e}_1 - \text{Trace}\{H_1 \cdot \tilde{P}_{11} \cdot H_1^T + R_1\}$$

$$\tilde{P}_{11} = \Phi_{11} \cdot P_{11-} \cdot \Phi_{11}^T + x_2 \cdot Q_0$$

# The New Measurement



- Measurement Sensitivity Matrix

$$H_2 = -\text{Trace}\{H_1 \cdot Q_0 \cdot H_1^T\}$$

- Variance of Measurement

$$R_2 = 2 \cdot \text{Trace}\{E^2\} = \sum_{i,j} e_{ij}^2$$

- See Handout Write-up for Derivation

# The New Measurement



- Covariance Extrapolation (Scalar)

$$\tilde{P}_{22} = P_{22-} + \varepsilon^2$$

- Update (All Quantities are Scalars)

$$K_2 = \tilde{P}_{22} \cdot H_2^T \cdot \left( H_2 \cdot \tilde{P}_{11} \cdot H_2^T + R_2 \right)^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{x}_2 = \hat{x}_{2-}, \quad \hat{x}_2 = \tilde{x}_2 + K_2 \cdot \left( e_1^T \cdot e_1 - \text{Trace}\{E\} \right)$$

$$P_{22} = (1 - K_2 \cdot H_2) \cdot \tilde{P}_{22} = \left( \tilde{P}_{22}^{-1} + H_2 \cdot R_2^{-1} \cdot H_2 \right)^{-1}$$

# Summary



- Adaptive Kalman Filter is an EKF
- Formulation is Not Unique
  - Second Measurement is Arbitrary
  - Memo from 1981 is More General than Example
  - Mehra's Paper Estimates Entire Q Matrix
- It's a Tool for Adding Robustness



# Tuning Kalman Filters



- Tips

- Covariance Propagates from Velocity States to Position States through Extrapolation Equation
- Position Covariance Does Not Propagate
- Plant Noise: Less is Better
- Don't Solve Problems with Plant Noise

- General Principles

- Use Two Tiers of Trackers
- The requirements of the top and bottom tier are different
- Tune them Separately

# General Principles



- Tune Low Level Trackers for Robustness
  - Uncoupled Two State Trackers of Measurements
  - Tune Adaptive Plant Noise for Unexpected Target Behavior
- Tune Mid Level Trackers for Performance
  - Use Only as Many States as You Can Observe Well
  - Trade Off Robustness for Performance

# Use Monte Carlo Simulations to Prove Tracker Designs



- Once Tuning Produces a Design, Perform a Monte Carlo Simulation
- During Run, Save for Each Update Time
  - Sum of Estimates for Each State
  - Sum of Squares of Estimates for Each State
  - Maximum and Minimum of Estimates for Each State
- Compute and Plot Summary
  - Mean of Each State
  - Variance and Extreme Values of Each State

# File of the Week



- Two Modules

- Two Trackers

- » Adaptive “Snake Oil” Two State

- » Adaptive Alpha Beta

- Random Number Generator

- Operations

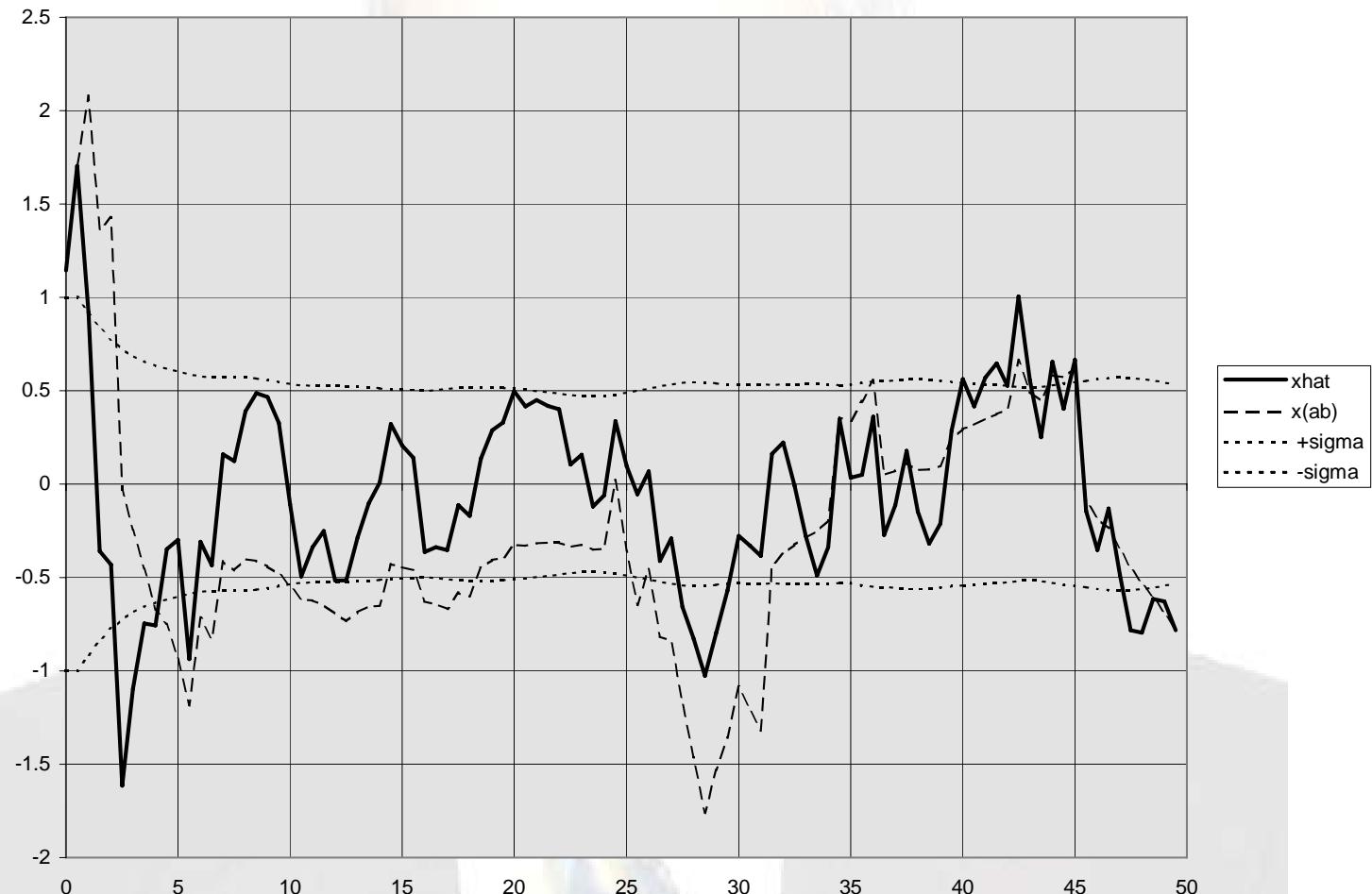
- Scenario with Abrupt Velocity Step

- Adaptive Tuning Parameters on Sheet1

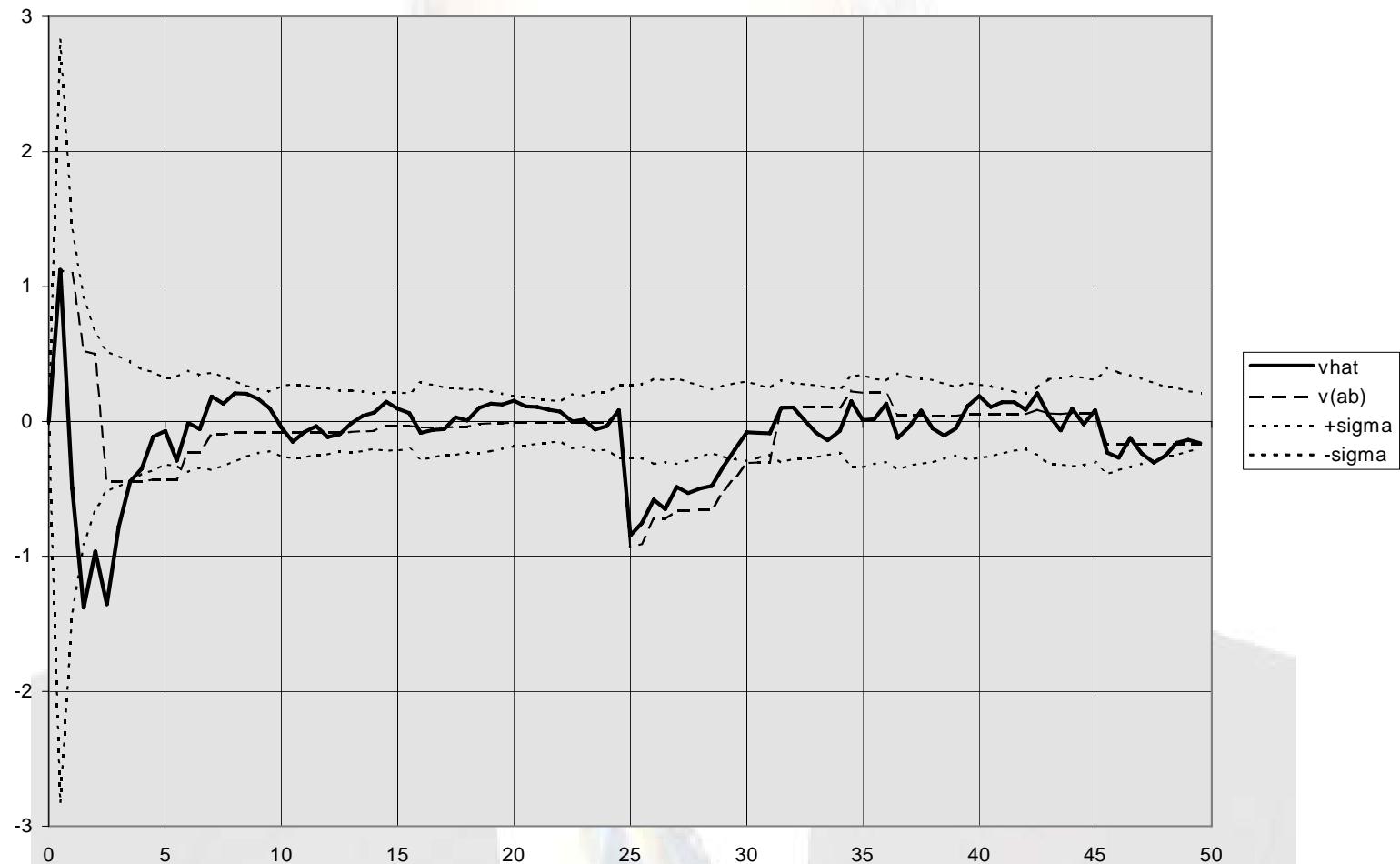
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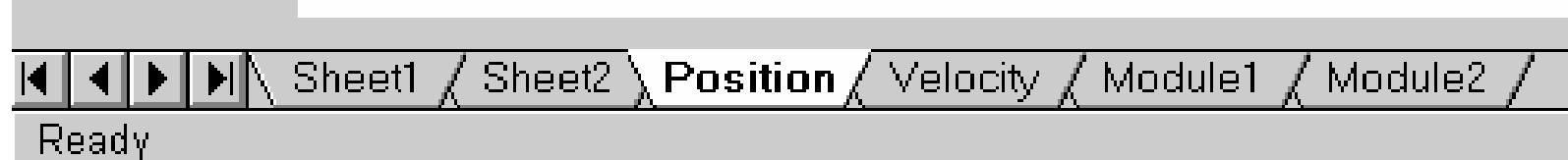
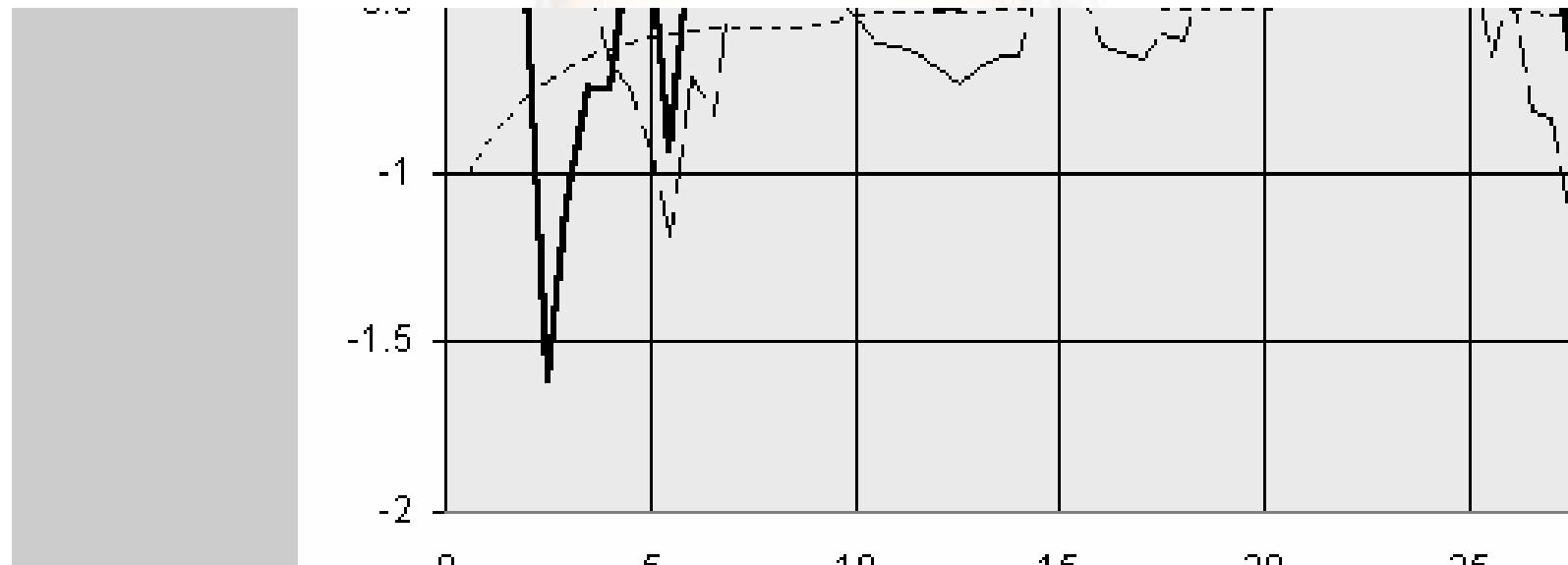
# Position State Display



# Velocity State Display



# Module Tabs



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# System Process Noise



- Used in
  - Most Raytheon Air to Air Trackers
  - Discoverer II Space to Ground Trackers
  - AMSTE Air to Ground Trackers
  - Others
- Types
  - Singer Variance Model
  - Nearly Constant Acceleration
  - Nearly Constant Velocity
- Reference: Singer, R. A., "Estimating Optimal Tracking Filter Performance for Manned Maneuvering Targets," AES-6, pp. 473-483, July 1970

# Markov System Model



- System Model

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{position} \\ \text{velocity} \\ \text{acceleration} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \dot{\underline{x}} = F \cdot \underline{x} + \underline{w}$$

- Constant Matrix F

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -\rho \end{bmatrix}$$

- Mentioned in Gelb, Problem 3-6 p. 98



# System Transition Matrix



$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -\rho \end{bmatrix}, F^n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & (-\rho)^{n-2} \\ 0 & 0 & (-\rho)^{n-1} \\ 0 & 0 & (-\rho)^n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\exp(F \cdot t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & f_2(t) \\ 0 & 1 & f_1(t) \\ 0 & 0 & f_0(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & \frac{t^2}{2} + \dots \\ 0 & 1 & t + \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \exp(-\rho \cdot t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f_k(t) = \frac{\exp(-\rho \cdot t) - \sum_{p=0}^{k-1} \frac{(-\rho \cdot t)^p}{p!}}{(-\rho)^k} = \frac{t^k}{k!} + \dots$$



# Linear Variance Equation



- Equation (Gelb, p. 77)

$$\dot{P} = F \cdot P + P \cdot F^T + Q$$

- Solution (Gelb problem 3-1, p. 97)

$$P(t) = \Phi(t - t_0) \cdot P(t_0) \cdot \Phi^T(t - t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t - \tau) \cdot Q \cdot \Phi^T(t - \tau) \cdot d\tau$$

$$\Phi(t - t_0) = \exp(F \cdot (t - t_0)), \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & q_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Equivalent Process Noise for Discrete Covariance Update



- Discrete Covariance Update

$$P = \Phi \cdot P \cdot \Phi^T + \Gamma$$

- Process Noise Equation

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(t - t_0) &= \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t - \tau) \cdot Q \cdot \Phi^T(t - \tau) \cdot d\tau \\ &= q_{33} \cdot \int_{t_0}^t \begin{bmatrix} f_2^2(\tau) & f_1(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) & f_0(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) \\ f_1(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) & f_1^2(\tau) & f_0(\tau) \cdot f_1(\tau) \\ f_0(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) & f_0(\tau) \cdot f_1(\tau) & f_0^2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \cdot d\tau\end{aligned}$$



# Nearly Constant Acceleration



$$\Phi(t - t_0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t - t_0 & \frac{(t - t_0)^2}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & t - t_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Gamma(t - t_0) = q_{33} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(t - t_0)^5}{20} & \frac{(t - t_0)^4}{8} & \frac{(t - t_0)^3}{6} \\ \frac{(t - t_0)^4}{8} & \frac{(t - t_0)^3}{3} & \frac{(t - t_0)^2}{2} \\ \frac{(t - t_0)^3}{6} & \frac{(t - t_0)^2}{2} & t - t_0 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Modified Singer



- No Acceleration State

$$\Phi(t - t_0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & f_1(t - t_0) \\ 0 & f_0(t - t_0) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Process Noise Equation

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(t - t_0) &= \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t - \tau) \cdot Q \cdot \Phi^T(t - \tau) \cdot d\tau \\ &= q_{22} \cdot \int_{t_0}^t \begin{bmatrix} f_1^2(\tau) & f_0(\tau) \cdot f_1(\tau) \\ f_0(\tau) \cdot f_1(\tau) & f_0^2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \cdot d\tau\end{aligned}$$



# Nearly Constant Velocity



- Modified Singer for  $\rho = 0$

$$\Phi(t - t_0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t - t_0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Discrete Formulation Process Noise

$$\Gamma(t - t_0) = q_{22} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(t - t_0)^3}{3} & \frac{(t - t_0)^2}{2} \\ \frac{(t - t_0)^2}{2} & t - t_0 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Terms of Gamma Matrix



$$\int_{t_0}^t f_0^2(\tau) \cdot d\tau = \frac{1 - \exp(-2\rho(t - t_0))}{2\rho}$$

$$\int_{t_0}^t f_0(\tau) \cdot f_1(\tau) \cdot d\tau = \frac{-\exp(-2\rho(t - t_0)) + 2\exp(-\rho(t - t_0)) - 1}{2\rho^2}$$

$$\int_{t_0}^t f_1^2(\tau) \cdot d\tau = \frac{-\exp(-2\rho(t - t_0)) + 4\exp(-\rho(t - t_0)) + 2\rho(t - t_0) - 3}{2\rho^3}$$



# Higher Order Terms



$$\int_{t_0}^t f_0(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) \cdot d\tau$$

$$= \frac{-\exp(-2\rho(t-t_0)) - 2 \cdot \rho(t-t_0) \exp(-\rho(t-t_0)) + 1}{2\rho^3}$$

$$\int_{t_0}^t f_1(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) \cdot d\tau =$$

$$= \frac{-\exp(-2\rho(t-t_0)) + 2 \cdot (1 - \rho(t-t_0)) \cdot \exp(-\rho(t-t_0)) - (1 - \rho(t-t_0))^2}{2\rho^4}$$

# Last Term



$$6\rho^5 \int_{t_0}^t f_2^2(\tau) \cdot d\tau =$$

$$-3\exp(-2\rho(t-t_0)) - 12\exp(-\rho(t-t_0)) \cdot \rho(t-t_0)$$

$$+ 2 \cdot (\rho(t-t_0))^3 - 6 \cdot (\rho(t-t_0))^2 + 6 \cdot \rho(t-t_0) + 3$$

# Covariance Mapping to 9 States



$$\Phi(dt) = \begin{bmatrix} I & I \cdot dt & I \cdot f_2(dt) \\ 0 & I & I \cdot f_1(dt) \\ 0 & 0 & I \cdot f_0(dt) \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Gamma(t - t_0) = \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t - \tau) \cdot Q \cdot \Phi^T(t - \tau) \cdot d\tau$$

$$= q_{33} \cdot \int_{t_0}^t \begin{bmatrix} Q_{33} \cdot f_2^2(\tau) & Q_{33} \cdot f_1(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) & Q_{33} \cdot f_0(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) \\ Q_{33} \cdot f_1(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) & Q_{33} \cdot f_1^2(\tau) & Q_{33} \cdot f_0(\tau) \cdot f_1(\tau) \\ Q_{33} \cdot f_0(\tau) \cdot f_2(\tau) & Q_{33} \cdot f_0(\tau) \cdot f_1(\tau) & Q_{33} \cdot f_0^2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \cdot d\tau$$

# Interpreting Process Noise



- The Defining Equation for Acceleration Noise

$$\ddot{x} = -\rho \cdot \dot{x} + w, \quad \langle w^2 \rangle = q_{33}$$

- Physical Interpretation
  - Gelb, pp. 42-45, 81-84
  - Acceleration Noise Autocorrelation and Power Spectrum

$$\phi(\tau) = \frac{q_{33}}{2\rho} \cdot \exp(-\rho \cdot |\tau|), \quad \Phi(\omega) = \frac{q_{33}}{\omega^2 + \rho^2}$$



# Example 1 -- Singer Model



- Process Noise Specification
  - RMS Acceleration Noise Amplitude of  $c$  g's
  - Time Constant of  $T$  seconds

- Solve for  $q_{33}$ :

$$\frac{q_{33}}{2 \cdot \rho} = \left( c \cdot \left( 9.80665 \frac{\text{meters}}{\text{second}^2} \right) \right)^2, \quad \rho = \frac{1}{T}$$

- Physical Units of  $q_{33}$  are meters<sup>2</sup>/second<sup>5</sup>
- Can Be Combined with Adaptive Techniques

## Example 2 -- No Acceleration State



- Process Noise Specification
  - RMS Velocity Noise Amplitude of k knots
  - Time Constant of T Seconds
- Solve for  $q_{22}$ :
$$\frac{q_{22}}{2 \cdot \rho} = \left( k \cdot \left( \frac{1852 \text{ meters}}{3600 \text{ second}} \right) \right)^2, \quad \rho = \frac{1}{T}$$
- Physical Units of  $q_{22}$  are meters<sup>2</sup>/second<sup>3</sup>
- Can be Combined with Adaptive Techniques

# Examples of $Q_{33}$



- Independent Process Noise Variances Along Three Orthogonal Axes
  - Airframe coordinates -- longitudinal, lateral, and down
  - Ground vehicle -- longitudinal, lateral
  - Ground vehicle on road -- longitudinal only
- Variances  $qa_i$ , axes  $ua_i$

$$Q_{33} = \sum_i qa_i \cdot \underline{ua}_i \cdot \underline{ua}_i^T$$