# Markov Models, Hidden Markov Models, and Filtering

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Lost Robot!

- robot cannot observe its location directly, i.e. no GPS
- can only make observations of the local environment...



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On each time step, the robot moves, and then observes the directions in which there are walls.

- observes a four-bit binary number
- observations are noisy: there is a small chance that each bit will be flipped.











### Markov Models

We have already seen that an MDP provides a useful framework for modeling stochastic control problems.

Markov Models: model any kind of temporally dynamic system.

# Probability recap

- Conditional probability  $P(x|y) = \frac{P(x,y)}{P(y)}$
- Product rule P(x,y) = P(x|y)P(y)
- Chain rule  $P(X_1, X_2, \dots X_n) = P(X_1)P(X_2|X_1)P(X_3|X_1, X_2) \dots$   $= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i|X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$
- X, Y independent if and only if:

 $\forall x, y : P(x, y) = P(x)P(y)$ 

• X and Y are conditionally independent given Z if and only if:

$$X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y | Z \qquad \forall x, y, z : P(x, y | z) = P(x | z) P(y | z)$$

#### Probability again: Independence

Two random variables, *x* and *y*, are independent when:

$$\forall (x, y), P(x, y) = P(x)P(y) \iff x \perp y$$
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Then: 
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Why?

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!snow	0.3	0.5

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What would the distribution look like if snow, winter were independent?

### **Conditional independence**

Independence:

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$$x \perp \!\!\!\perp y$$

Conditional independence:

$$\forall (x, y, z), P(x, y|z) = P(x|z)P(y|z)$$
$$x \perp \!\!\!\perp y|z$$

Equivalent statements of conditional independence:

P(x|z) = P(x|z, y)

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

### Conditional independence: example



P(toothache, catch | cavity) = P(toothache | cavity) P(catch | cavity)

Toothache and catch are conditionally independent given cavity – this is the "common cause" scenario covered in Bayes Nets...

## Examples of conditional independence

What are the conditional independence relationships in the following?

- traffic, raining, late for work
- snow, cloudy, crash
- fire, smoke, alarm



Markov model can be used to model any sequential time process

- the weather
- traffic
- news cycle
- text to speech

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Since this is a Markov process, we assume transitions are Markov:

Process model:  $P(X_t | X_{t-1}) = P(X_t | X_{t-1}, ..., X_1)$ 

Markov assumption:  $X_t \perp X_{t-2} | X_{t-1}$ 



How do we calculate:  $P(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4) = ?$ 

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Can we simplify this expression?



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In general:  $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_T) = P(X_1) \prod_{t=1} P(X_{t+1}|X_t)$ 



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#### Markov Processes: example

Two states: cloudy, sunny

X_{t-1}	X_t	X_t
sun	sun	0.8
sun	cloudy	0.2
cloudy	sun	0.3
cloudy	cloudy	0.7



 $t \in \{\text{mon}, \text{tues}, \text{weds}, \text{thurs}, \text{fri}\}$ 

### Simulating dynamics forward



But, suppose we want to predict the state at time T, given a prior distribution at time 1?

$$P(X_{2}) = \sum_{X_{1}} P(X_{1})P(X_{2}|X_{1})$$
$$P(X_{3}) = \sum_{X_{2}} P(X_{2})P(X_{3}|X_{2})$$
$$\vdots$$
$$P(X_{T}) = \sum_{X_{T-1}} P(X_{T-1})P(X_{T}|X_{T-1})$$

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# Simulating dynamics forward

Suppose is it cloudy on mon...

$$P(x_1) = 0$$

Prob sunny tues

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= 0 + 0.3 = 0.3

Prob sunny weds 
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$$= 0.24 + 0.21 = 0.45$$

Prob sunny thurs 
$$P(x_4) = P(x_4|x_3)P(x_3) + P(x_4|\bar{x}_3)P(\bar{x}_3)$$
$$= 0.36 + 0.165 = 0.53$$

Prob sunny fri

$$P(x_5) = P(x_5|x_4)P(x_4) + P(x_5|\bar{x}_4)P(\bar{x}_4)$$
  
= 0.424 + 0.141 = 0.565  
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Prob sunny

Converge to same distribution regardless of starting point – called the "stationary distribution"

$$P(x_{\infty}) = 0.6$$

#### An aside: the stationary distribution

How might you calculate the stationary distribution?

Let: 
$$p_t = \begin{pmatrix} p(sun) \\ p(cloudy) \end{pmatrix}$$
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How calculate p that satisfies this eqn?

# Case Study: Web link Analysis

- PageRank over a web graph
  - Each web page is a state
  - Initial distribution: uniform over pages
  - Transitions:
    - With prob. c, uniform jump to a

random page (dotted lines, not all shown)

• With prob. 1-c, follow a random

outlink (solid lines)

- Stationary distribution
  - Will spend more time on highly reachable pages
  - E.g. many ways to get to the Acrobat Reader download page
  - Somewhat robust to link spam
  - Google 1.0 returned the set of pages containing all your keywords in decreasing rank, now all search engines use link analysis along with many other factors





### Markov Model



State,  $X_t$  , is observed

### Hidden Markov Model



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# Hidden Markov Model



State,  $X_t$ , is assumed to be unobserved

However, you get to make one observation,  ${\cal E}_t$  , on each timestep.

### Hidden Markov Model







Let's assume (for now) that these probability distributions are given to us.



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Markov assumptions

# HMM example 1



# HMM example 2



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### Process update









### **Observation update**



 $P(X_{t+1}|e_{1:t+1}) = \eta P(e_{t+1}|X_{t+1})P(X_{t+1}|e_{1:t})$ 

### Observation update



Probability of seeing observation  $e_{t+1}$  from state  $X_{t+1}$ 

### **Observation update**







w_t	P(w_t)
sun	0.5
cloudy	0.5

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# Weather HMM example













Prob

0







Prob

0



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# Real world HMMs

- Speech recognition HMMs:
- Observations are acoustic signals (continuous valued)
- States are specific positions in specific words (so, tens of thousands)
- Machine translation HMMs:
- Observations are words (tens of thousands)
- States are translation options
- Robot tracking:
- Observations are range readings (continuous)
- States are positions on a map (continuous)



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#### Particle Filter: a solution for continuous state spaces



Sequential Bayes Filtering is great, but it's not great for continuous state spaces. – you need to discretize the state space (e.g. a grid) in order to use Bayes filtering

- but, doing filtering on a grid is not efficient...

Therefore:

- particle filters – Kalman filters
- Two different ways of filtering in continuous state spaces



# Prior belief distribution



# **Observation update**



# Process/Measurement update



# Posterior











Suppose we are given a probability distribution,  $\ P(x)$  Suppose we are given a function,  $\ f(x)$ 

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Key idea: represent a probability distribution as a finite set of points

- density of points encodes probability mass.

- particle filtering is an adaptation of Bayes filtering to this particle representation

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# Monte Carlo Sampling



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What can you do with this information?

Suppose you can't even sample from it?

Suppose that all you can do is evaluate the function at a given point?

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<u>Answer</u>: draw samples from a different distribution and weight them

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$$\frac{\text{Prior distribution}}{x_t^1, \dots, x_t^n} \quad w_t^1, \dots, w_t^n = 1$$

 $\overline{x}_{t+1}^{i} \sim P(X_{t+1} | x_t^{i}, e_{1:t})$ 
















# Particle Filter Example



# Particle Filter Example



#### Pros:

- works in continuous spaces

- can represent multi-modal distributions

#### Cons:

- parameters to tune
- sample impoverishment









# Kalman Filtering



Another way to adapt Sequential Bayes Filtering to continuous state spaces

- relies on representing the probability distribution as a Gaussian

 – first developed in the early 1960s (before general Bayes filtering); used in Apollo program



## Kalman Idea



Image: Thrun et al., CS233B course notes





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## Gaussians

- Univariate Gaussian:
- Multivariate Gaussian:

$$P(x) = \eta e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}$$
$$P(x) = \eta e^{-\frac{1}{2} (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu)}$$

$$P(x) = N(x; \mu, \Sigma)$$

## Playing w/ Gaussians

• Suppose: 
$$P(x) = N(x; \mu, \Sigma)$$
  
 $y = Ax + b$ 



## In fact

• Suppose: 
$$P(x) = N(x; \mu, \Sigma)$$
  
 $y = Ax + b$ 

$$P\left(\begin{array}{c} x\\ y\end{array}\right) = N\left[\begin{array}{cc} x\\ y\end{array} : \begin{array}{c} \mu\\ A\mu + b\end{array}, \left(\begin{array}{cc} \Sigma & \Sigma A^T\\ A\Sigma & A\Sigma A^T\end{array}\right)\right]$$

## Illustration



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## And

Suppose: 
$$P(x) = N(x; \mu, \Sigma)$$
  
 $P(y|x) = N(y; Ax + b, R)$ 

Then:

$$P\left(\begin{array}{c} x\\ y\end{array}\right) = N\left[\begin{array}{c} x\\ y\end{array} : \begin{array}{c} \mu\\ A\mu + b\end{array}, \left(\begin{array}{c} \Sigma & \Sigma A^{T}\\ A\Sigma & A\Sigma A^{T} + R\end{array}\right)\right]$$
$$P(y) = N(y; A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^{T} + R)$$
$$\swarrow$$
Marginal distribution

Process update  
(discrete): 
$$P(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}) = \sum_{x_t} P(x_{t+1}|x_t)P(x_t|z_{0:t})$$
  
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transition dynamics

prior

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 $N(x_t|\mu_t, \Sigma_t)$   
transition dynamics prior  
 $P(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}) = \int_{x_t} N(x_{t+1}|Ax_t, Q)N(x_t; \mu_t, \Sigma_t)$   
 $P(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t}) = N(x_{t+1}|A\mu_t, A\Sigma_t A^T + Q)$ 



Observation update:  

$$P(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t+1}) = \eta P(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1})P(x_{t+1}|z_{0:t})$$

$$N(z_{t+1}|Cx_{t+1}, R) \qquad N(x_t|\mu'_t, \Sigma'_t)$$

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$$Where: \mu'_t = A\mu_t$$

$$\Sigma'_t = A\Sigma_t A^T + Q$$

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## Another Gaussian identity...

Suppose: 
$$N \begin{bmatrix} x & a \\ y & b \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ C^T & B \end{pmatrix}$$

Calculate: 
$$P(y|x) = ?$$
  
 $P(y|x) = N(y|b + C^T A^{-1}(x - a), B - C^T A^{-1}C)$ 

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#### To summarize the Kalman filter

System: 
$$P(x_{t+1}|x_t) = N(x_{t+1}|Ax_t, Q)$$
$$P(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1}) = N(z_{t+1}|Cx_{t+1}, R)$$

Prior: $\mu_t$ 

 $\Sigma_t$ 

Process update: 
$$\mu_t' = A \mu_t$$
  
 $\Sigma_t' = A \Sigma_t A^T + Q$ 

Measurement  $\mu_{t+1} = \mu'_t + \Sigma'_t C^T (R + C\Sigma'_t C^T)^{-1} (z_{t+1} - C\mu'_t)$ update:  $\Sigma_{t+1} = \Sigma'_t - \Sigma'_t C^T (R + C\Sigma'_t C^T)^{-1} C\Sigma'_t$ 

#### Suppose there is an action term...

System: 
$$P(x_{t+1}|x_t) = N(x_{t+1}|Ax_t + u_t, Q)$$
$$P(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1}) = N(z_{t+1}|Cx_{t+1}, R)$$

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#### Things to note about the Kalman filter

Process update: 
$$\mu_t' = A \mu_t$$
  $\Sigma_t' = A \Sigma_t A^T + Q$ 

Measurement update:

$$\mu_{t+1} = \mu'_t + \Sigma'_t C^T (R + C \Sigma'_t C^T)^{-1} (z_{t+1} - C \mu'_t) \Sigma_{t+1} = \Sigma'_t - \Sigma'_t C^T (R + C \Sigma'_t C^T)^{-1} C \Sigma'_t$$

- covariance update is independent of observation
- Kalman is only optimal for linear-Gaussian systems
- the distribution "stays" Gaussian through this update
- the error term can be thought of as the different between the observation and the prediction

## Kalman in 1D

System: 
$$P(x_{t+1}|x_t) = N(x_{t+1}:x_t+u_t,q)$$
  
 $P(z_{t+1}|x_{t+1}) = N(z_{t+1}|2x_{t+1},r)$ 



mage: Thrun et al., CS233B course notes

Process update:  $\bar{\mu}_t = \mu_t + u_t$   $\bar{\sigma}_t^2 = \sigma_t^2 + q$ Measurement update:  $\mu_{t+1} = \bar{\mu}_t + \frac{2\bar{\sigma}_t^2}{r + 4\bar{\sigma}_t^2}(z_{t+1} - \bar{\mu}_t)$  $\sigma_{t+1} = \bar{\sigma}_t^2 - \frac{4(\bar{\sigma}_t^2)^2}{r + 4\bar{\sigma}_t^2}$ 



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## Kalman Idea



## Example: estimate velocity


# Example: filling a tank

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} l \\ f \end{pmatrix} - Level of tank Fill rate$$

 $l_{t+1} = l_t + fdt$ 

Process: 
$$x_{t+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & dt \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x_t + q$$

Observati  $z_{t+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} x_{t+1} + r$ 

# Example: estimate velocity

$$x_{t+1} = Ax_t + w_t$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{t+1} \\ y_{t+1} \\ \dot{x}_{t+1} \\ \dot{y}_{t+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & dt & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & dt \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ y_t \\ \dot{x}_t \\ \dot{y}_t \end{pmatrix} + w_t$$

$$z_{t+1} = Cx_{t+1} + r_{t+1}$$

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Here's one: the Extended Kalman Filter

Take a Taylor expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{t+1} &= f(x_t, u_t) \\ &\approx f(\mu_t, u_t) + A_t(x_t - \mu_t) \\ &\text{Where:} \quad A_t = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(\mu_t, u_t) \\ z_{t+1} &= h(x_t) \\ &\approx h(\mu_t) + C_t(x_t - \mu_t) \\ &\text{Where:} \quad C_t = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(\mu_t) \end{aligned}$$

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Then use the same equations...

# To summarize the EKF

Prior:  $\mu_t$  $\Sigma_t$ 

Process update:

$$\mu'_t = f(\mu_t, u_t)$$
  
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Measurement update:

$$\mu_{t+1} = \mu'_t + \Sigma'_t C^T (R + C \Sigma'_t C^T)^{-1} (z_{t+1} - h(\mu'_t))$$
  

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Process noise is assumed to be Gaussian:  $v = (v_d, v_\theta) \sim N(0, V)$ 

Process dynamics:  $\boldsymbol{x}\langle k+1\rangle = \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}\langle k\rangle, \delta\langle k\rangle, \boldsymbol{v}\langle k\rangle)$ 



Odometry measurement



But, wheels slip – odometry is not always correct...

How do we localize? Extended Kalman Filter!

# EKF Process Update



Dynamics:  $\boldsymbol{x}\langle k+1\rangle = \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x}\langle k\rangle, \delta\langle k\rangle, \boldsymbol{v}\langle k\rangle)$ 

Linearized dynamics:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}\langle k+1 
angle = \hat{\boldsymbol{x}}\langle k 
angle + \boldsymbol{F}_{x} (\boldsymbol{x}\langle k 
angle - \hat{\boldsymbol{x}}\langle k 
angle) + \boldsymbol{F}_{v} \boldsymbol{v}\langle k 
angle$$

Where:

$$F_{x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\Big|_{v=0} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\delta_{d} \langle k \rangle - \sin(\theta \langle k \rangle + \delta_{\theta}) \\ 0 & 1 & \delta_{d} \langle k \rangle \cos(\theta \langle k \rangle + \delta_{\theta}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$F_{v} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}\Big|_{v=0} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta \langle k \rangle + \delta_{\theta}) & -\delta_{d} \langle k \rangle \sin(\theta \langle k \rangle + \delta_{\theta}) \\ \sin(\theta \langle k \rangle + \delta_{\theta}) & \delta_{d} \langle k \rangle \cos(\theta \langle k \rangle + \delta_{\theta}) \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# **EKF Process Update**



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Process update:

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angle, 0)$$
  
 $\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}\langle k+1|k
angle = \boldsymbol{F}_{x}\langle k
angle \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}\langle k|k
angle \boldsymbol{F}_{x}\langle k
angle^{T} + \boldsymbol{F}_{v}\langle k
angle \hat{\boldsymbol{V}}\boldsymbol{F}_{v}\langle k
angle^{T}$ 

With no observations, uncertainty grows over time...

# Observations



Observations:  $oldsymbol{z} = oldsymbol{h}(oldsymbol{x}_{\scriptscriptstyle V}, oldsymbol{x}_{f}, oldsymbol{w})$ 

$$\boldsymbol{z} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{(y_i - y_v)^2 + (x_i - x_v)^2} \\ \tan^{-1}(y_i - y_v)/(x_i - x_v) - \theta_v \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_r \\ w_\beta \end{pmatrix}$$
 range bearing

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_r \\ w_\beta \end{pmatrix} \sim N(0, W), \quad W = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_\beta^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Observations





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$$\boldsymbol{z} \langle k \rangle = \hat{\boldsymbol{h}} + \boldsymbol{H}_{x} (\boldsymbol{x} \langle k \rangle - \hat{\boldsymbol{x}} \langle k \rangle) + \boldsymbol{H}_{w} \boldsymbol{w} \langle k \rangle$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{x_i} &= \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_v} \Big|_{w=0} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{x_i - x_v \langle k \rangle}{r} & -\frac{y_i - y_v \langle k \rangle}{r} & 0\\ \frac{x_i - x_v \langle k \rangle}{r^2} & -\frac{y_i - y_v \langle k \rangle}{r^2} & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ H_w &= \frac{\partial h}{\partial w} \Big|_{w=0} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} w_r\\ w_\beta \end{pmatrix} \sim N(0, W) \quad W = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_r^2 & 0\\ 0 & \sigma_\beta^2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



#### Process Update:

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### Observation Update:

$$\hat{oldsymbol{x}}ig\langle k+1|k+1ig
angle = \hat{oldsymbol{x}}ig\langle k+1|kig
angle + oldsymbol{K}\langle k+1
angle 
u\langle k+1
angle$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}\langle k+1|k+1\rangle = \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}\langle k+1|k\rangle \boldsymbol{F}_{x}\langle k\rangle^{T} - \boldsymbol{K}\langle k+1\rangle \boldsymbol{H}_{x}\langle k+1\rangle \hat{\boldsymbol{P}}\langle k+1|k\rangle$$

$$oldsymbol{
u}\langle k+1
angle=oldsymbol{z}\langle k+1
angle-oldsymbol{h}ig(\hat{oldsymbol{x}}(k+1ig|k),oldsymbol{x}_f,0ig)$$

 $\boldsymbol{S}\langle k+1 \rangle = \boldsymbol{H}_{\boldsymbol{x}} \langle k+1 \rangle \hat{\boldsymbol{P}} \langle k+1 | \boldsymbol{k} \rangle \boldsymbol{H}_{\boldsymbol{x}} \langle k+1 \rangle^{T} + \boldsymbol{H}_{\boldsymbol{w}} \langle k+1 \rangle \hat{\boldsymbol{W}} \langle k+1 \rangle \boldsymbol{H}_{\boldsymbol{w}} \langle k+1 \rangle^{T}$  $\boldsymbol{K} \langle k+1 \rangle = \hat{\boldsymbol{P}} \langle k+1 | \boldsymbol{k} \rangle \boldsymbol{H}_{\boldsymbol{x}} \langle k+1 \rangle^{T} \boldsymbol{S} \langle k+1 \rangle^{-1}$ 

# Mapping using the EKF



How do we use the EKF to estimate landmark positions?

State: 
$$\hat{x} = (x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \dots x_M, y_M)^T$$

Positions of each of the M landmarks (base frame)