



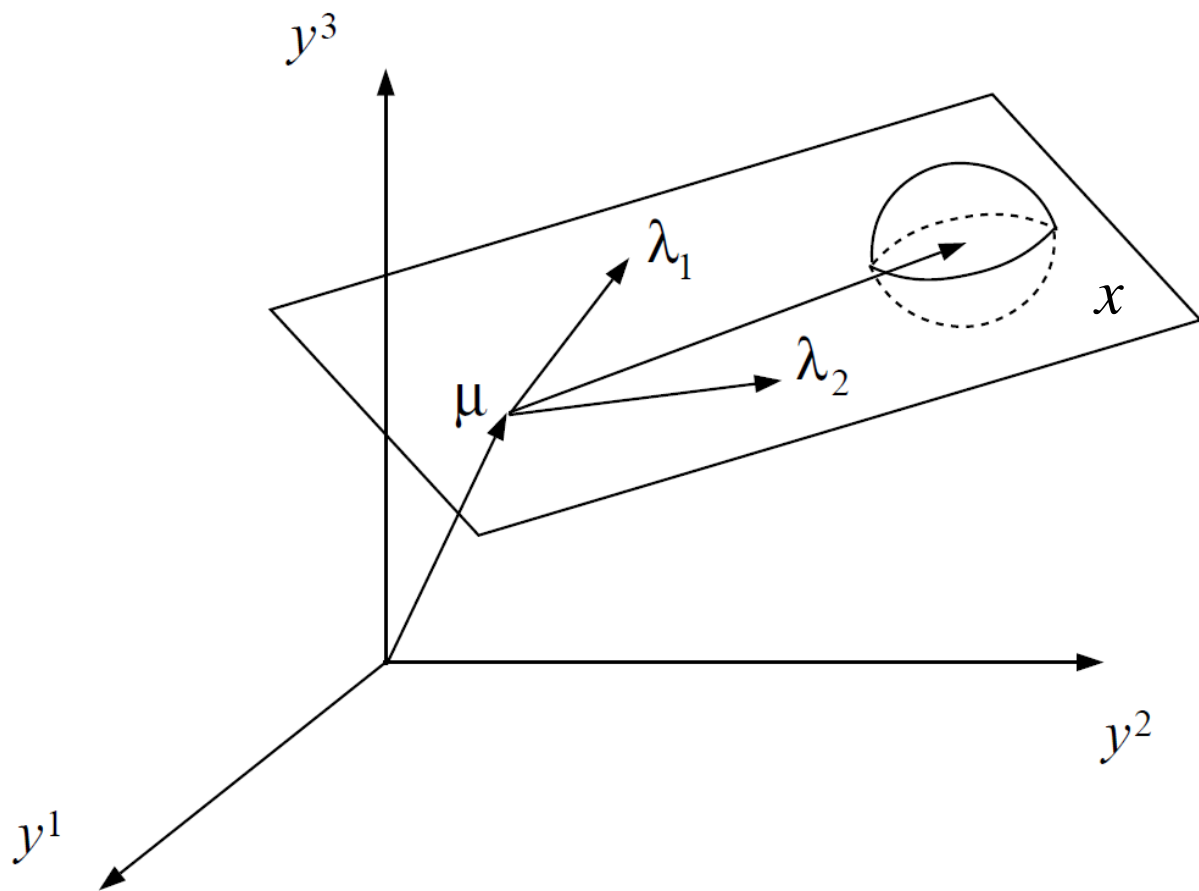
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CSC 665-1: Advanced Topics in Probabilistic Graphical Models

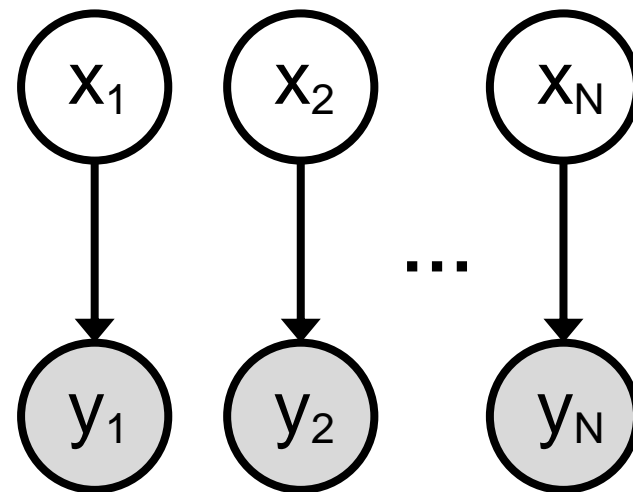
State-Space Models & Dynamical Systems

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(Bayesian) Principal Component Analysis



Latent: $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$ Data: $y \in \mathbb{R}^q$
Typically $p < q$ for dimension reduction

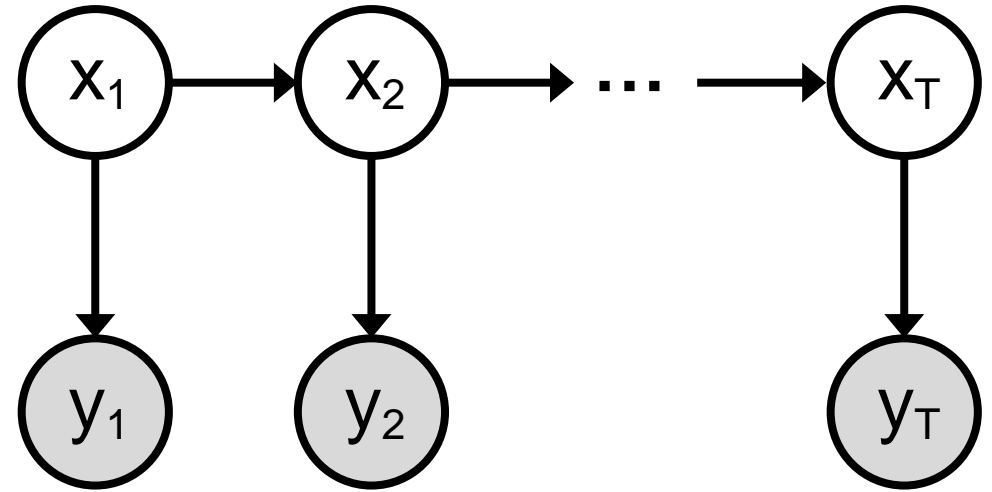
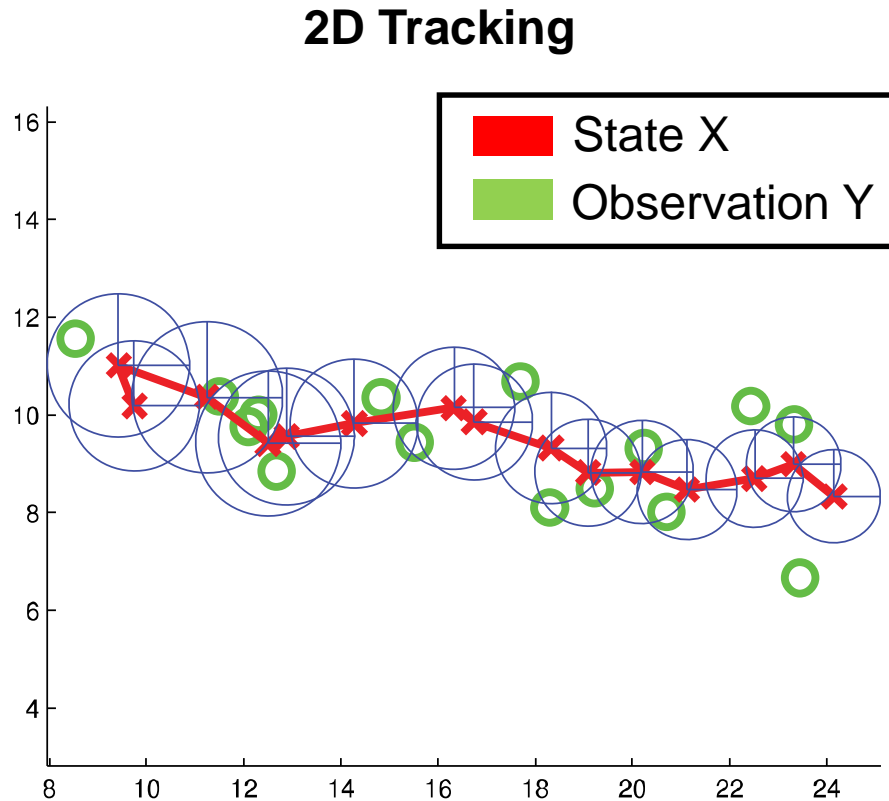


$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$$
$$y \mid x \sim \mathcal{N}(\Lambda x + \mu, \sigma^2 I)$$

Data are exchangeable linear Gaussian projections of latent quantities

Gaussian Linear Dynamical System (LDS)

Temporal extension of probabilistic PCA...



$$x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$$

$$x_t \mid x_{t-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(F x_{t-1}, \Sigma)$$

$$y_t \mid x_t \sim \mathcal{N}(H x_t, R)$$

Data are time-dependent and non-exchangeable

Linear State-Space Model

- Consider the state vector:

$$x_t = \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ \dot{x}(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad x(t) : \text{Position} \quad \dot{x}(t) \triangleq \frac{d}{dt}x(t) : \text{Velocity}$$

- Differential equations for constant velocity dynamics:

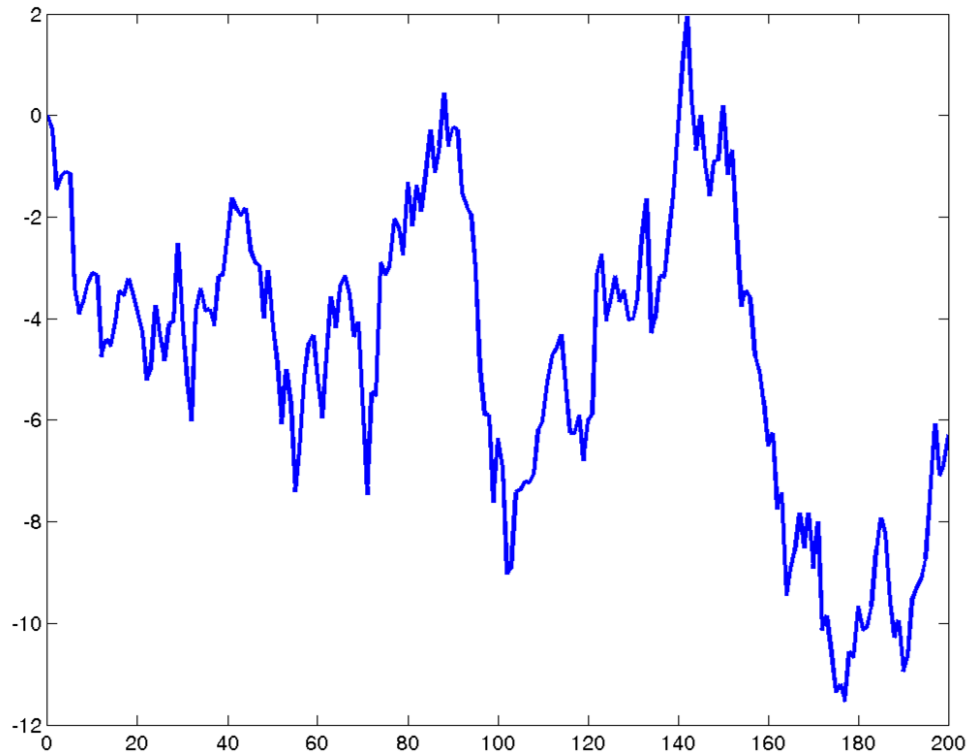
$$x(t) = x(t-1) + \dot{x}(t-1) \quad \dot{x}(t) = \dot{x}(t-1)$$

- Linear Gaussian state-space model

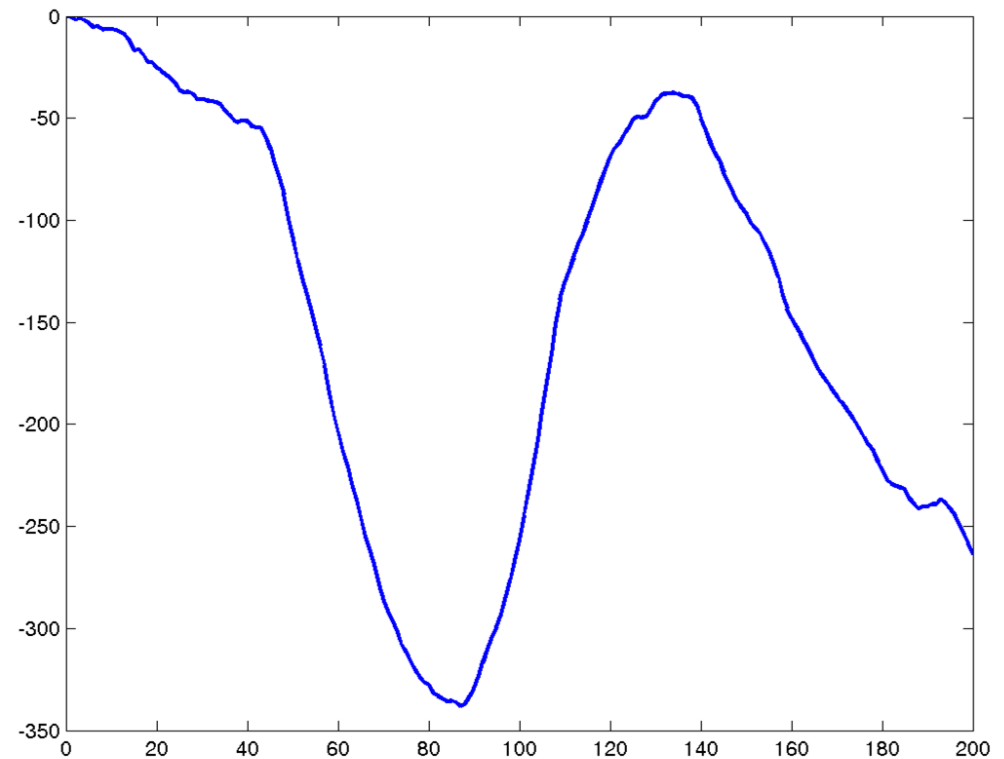
$$x_t = Fx_{t-1} + \epsilon \quad \text{where} \quad F = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$$

Simple Linear Gaussian Dynamics

**Random Walk
(Brownian Motion)**



**Constant Velocity
(a.k.a. zero acceleration)**

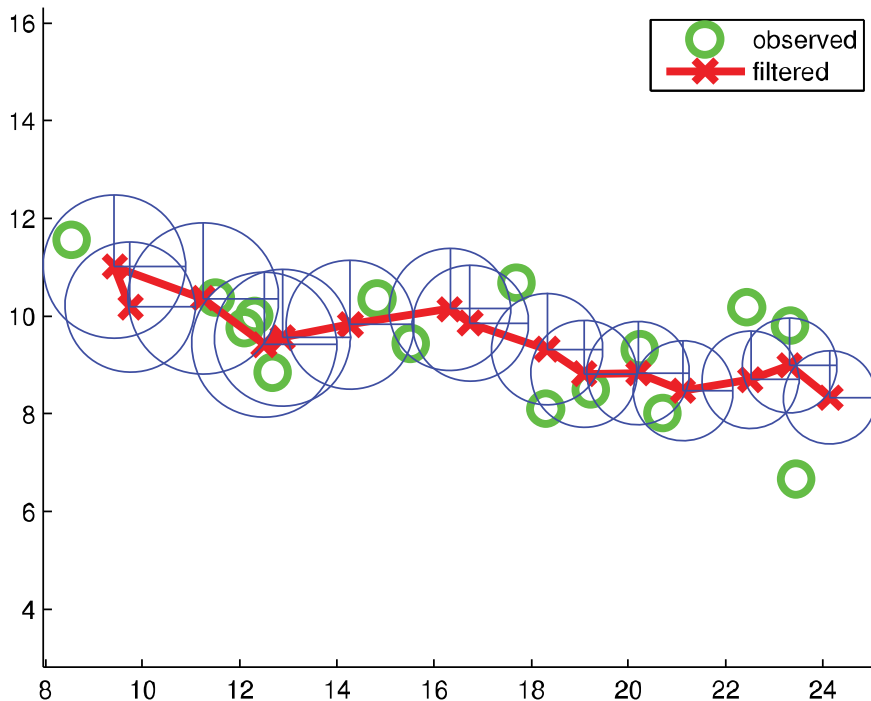


Acceleration can be included in higher-order models as well

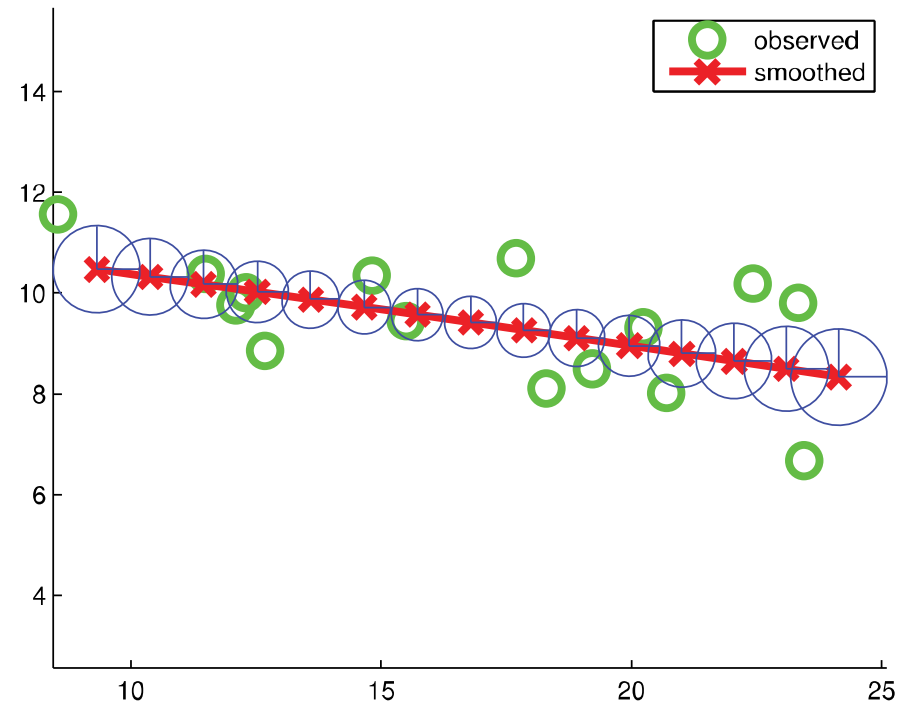
Dynamical System Inference

Define shorthand notation: $y_1^{t-1} \triangleq \{y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}\}$

Filtering



Smoothing

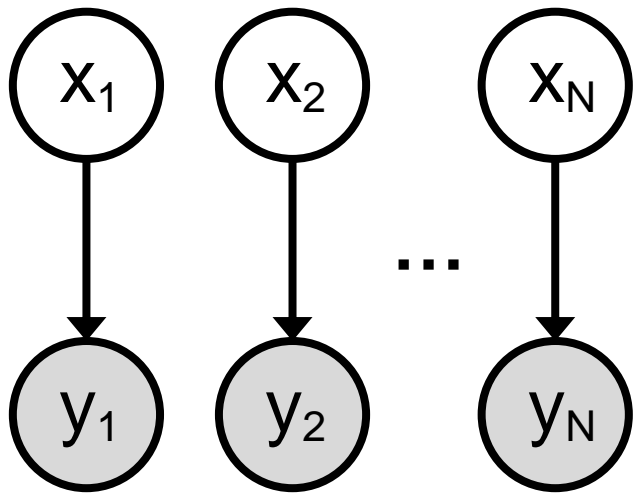


Compute $p(x_t | y_1^t)$ at each time t

Compute full posterior marginal $p(x_t | y_1^T)$ at each time t

Linear Gaussian Inference

Generative Linear Regression



$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$y | x \sim \mathcal{N}(Ax + b, R)$$

Marginal likelihood is Gaussian:

$$p(y) = \mathcal{N}(A\mu + b, R + A\Sigma A^T)$$

Posterior also Gaussian (surprise):

$$p(x | y) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{x|y}, \Sigma_{x|y})$$

where,

$$\Sigma_{x|y}^{-1} = \Sigma^{-1} + A^T R^{-1} A$$

$$\mu_{x|y} = \Sigma_{x|y} [A^T R^{-1} (y - b) + \Sigma^{-1} \mu]$$

Building block for inference on linear Gaussian dynamical system

Gaussian LDS Filtering

- Suppose we have a Gaussian posterior at time t-1:

$$p(x_{t-1} | y_1^{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}) \quad \text{where} \quad y_1^{t-1} \triangleq \{y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}\}$$

- Forward prediction at time t:

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_t | y_1^{t-1}) &= \int p(x_t | x_{t-1}) p(x_{t-1} | y_1^{t-1}) dx_{t-1} \\ &= \int \mathcal{N}(x_t | Fx_{t-1}, \Sigma) \mathcal{N}(x_{t-1} | \mu_{t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1}) dx_{t-1} \\ &= \mathcal{N}(x_t | F\mu_{t-1}, \Sigma + F\Sigma_{t-1}F^T) \int \mathcal{N}(x_{t-1} | \cdot, \cdot) dx_{t-1} \end{aligned}$$

Integrates to 1

Same form as marginal likelihood on previous slide

Gaussian LDS Filtering

➤ Forward prediction at time t: $p(x_t | y_1^{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_{t|t-1}, \Sigma_{t|t-1})$

where $\mu_{t|t-1} \triangleq F \mu_{t-1}$ and $\Sigma_{t|t-1} = \Sigma + F \Sigma_{t-1} F^T$

State Prediction

Predicted Covariance

➤ Posterior at time t is also Gaussian:

$$p(x_t | y_1^t) \propto p(x_t | y_1^{t-1}) p(y_t | x_t)$$

$$= \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_{t|t-1}, \Sigma_{t|t-1}) \mathcal{N}(y_t | H x_t, R) \propto \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_{t|t}, \Sigma_{t|t})$$

Gain Matrix: $K_t = \Sigma_{t|t-1} H^T (H \Sigma_{t|t-1} H^T + R)^{-1}$

Filter Covariance: $\Sigma_{t|t} = \Sigma_{t|t-1} - K_t H \Sigma_{t|t-1}$

Filter Mean: $\mu_{t|t} = \mu_{t|t-1} + K_t (y_t - H \mu_{t|t-1})$

**Can be derived from
Gaussian conditional formulas
and Woodbury matrix identity**

Kalman Filter

Prediction Step:

State Prediction: $\mu_{t|t-1} = F \mu_{t-1|t-1}$

Covariance Prediction:

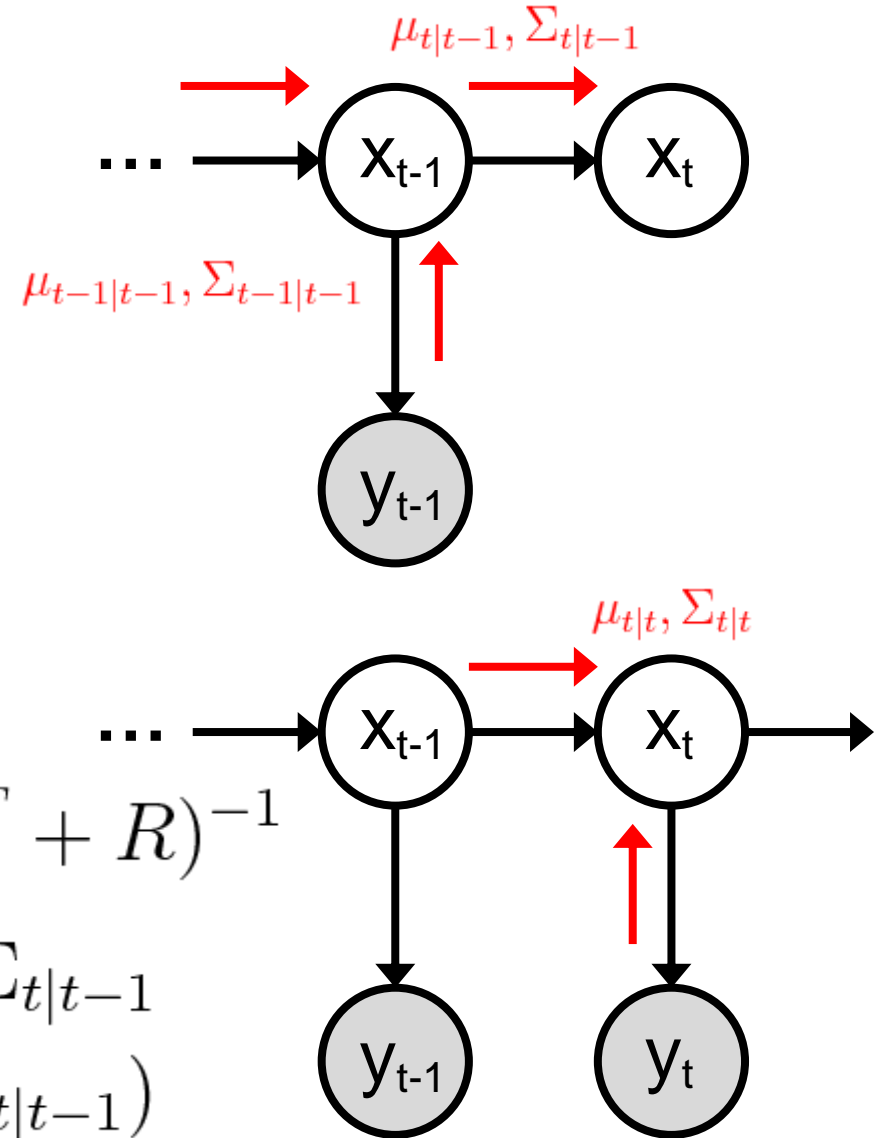
$$\Sigma_{t|t-1} = \Sigma + F \Sigma_{t-1|t-1} F^T$$

Measurement Update Step:

Gain Matrix: $K_t = \Sigma_{t|t-1} H^T (H \Sigma_{t|t-1} H^T + R)^{-1}$

Filter Covariance: $\Sigma_{t|t} = \Sigma_{t|t-1} - K_t H \Sigma_{t|t-1}$

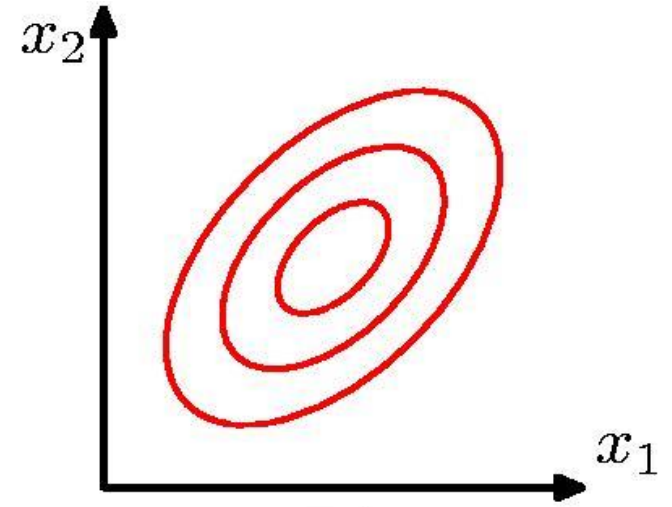
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Gaussian Canonical Parameters

Mean Parameterization:

$$\mathcal{N}(x \mid \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) \right\}$$



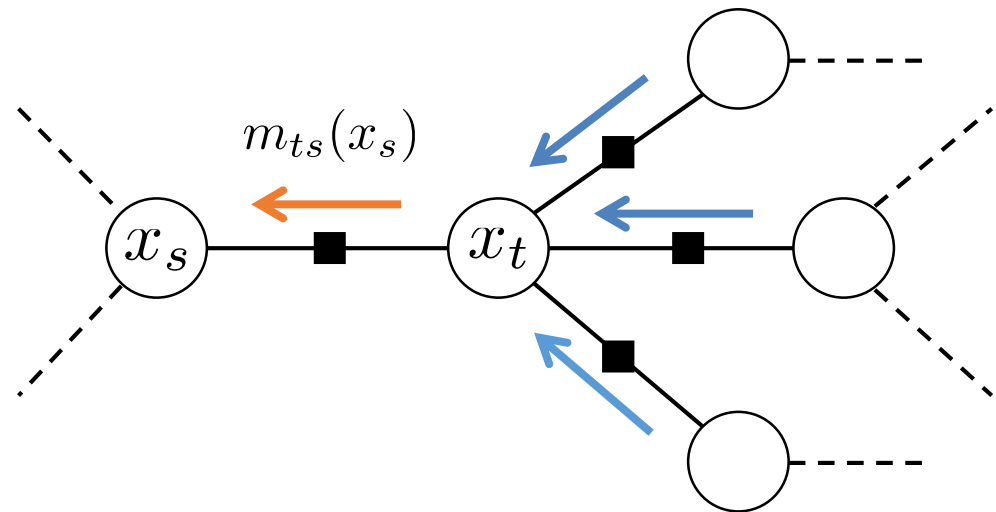
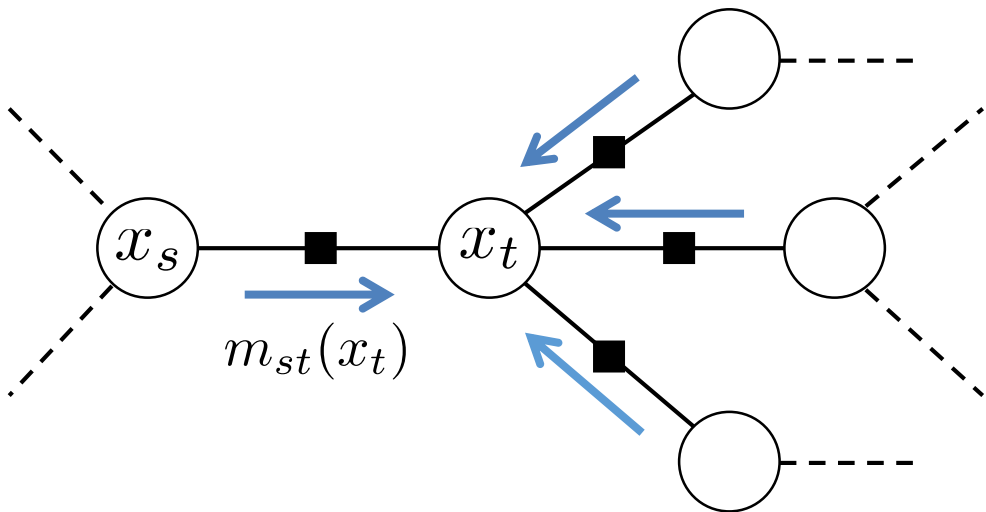
Canonical Parameterization (Information Parameters):

$$\mathcal{N}(x \mid \mu, \Sigma) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} x^T \Sigma^{-1} x + \mu^T \Sigma^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \mu^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}^{-1}(x \mid \vartheta, \Lambda) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} x^T \Lambda x + \vartheta^T x \right\} \quad \text{where} \quad \Lambda = \Sigma^{-1} \quad \vartheta = \Sigma^{-1} \mu$$

Recall general exponential family form: $p(x \mid \theta) = \exp\{\theta^T \phi(x) - \Phi(\theta)\}$

Gaussian Belief Propagation



$$p_t(x_t) \propto \prod_{s \in \Gamma(t)} m_{st}(x_t) \quad m_{ts}(x_s) = \int_{\mathcal{X}_t} \psi_{st}(x_s, x_t) \prod_{u \in \Gamma(t) \setminus s} m_{ut}(x_t) dx_t$$

$$p_t(x_t) = \mathcal{N}^{-1}(x_t \mid \vartheta_t, \Lambda_t)$$

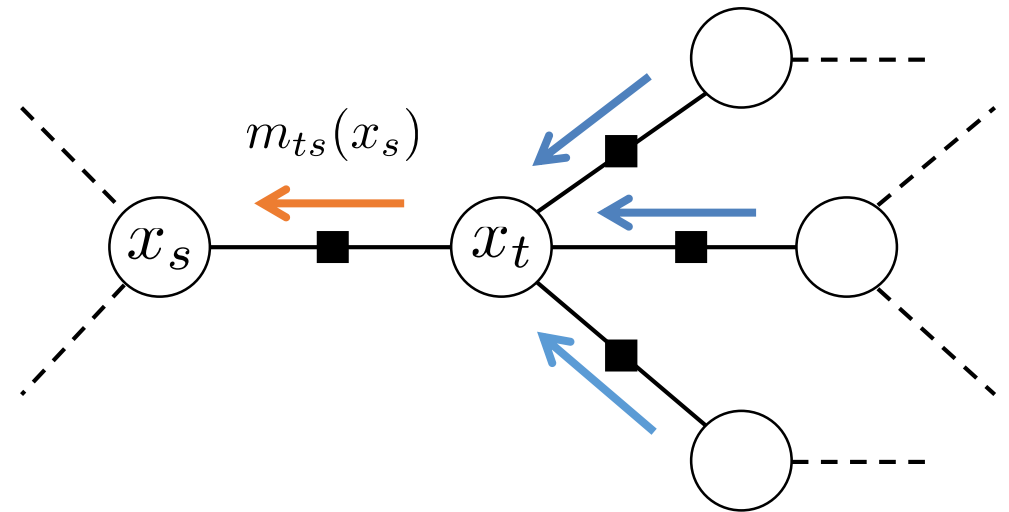
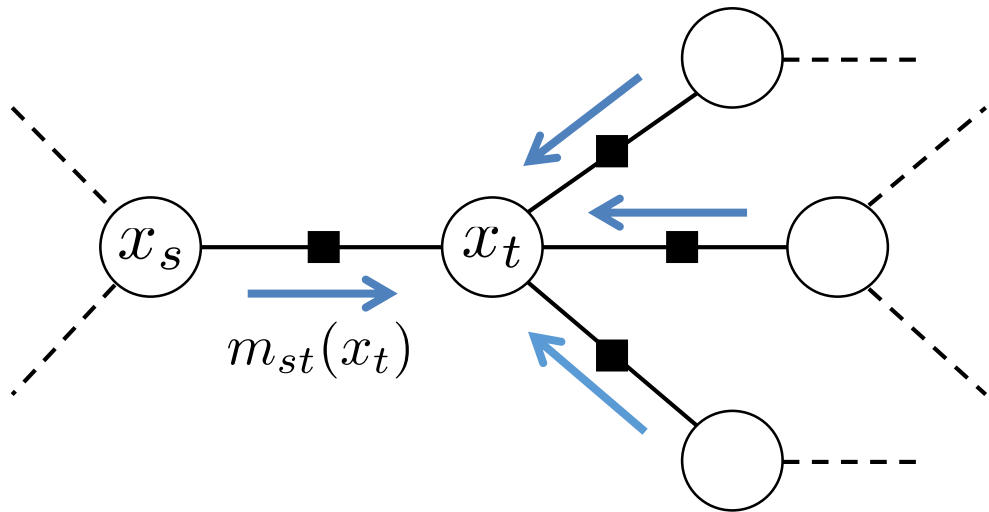
$$m_{ts}(x_s) \propto \mathcal{N}^{-1}(x_s \mid \vartheta_{ts}, \Lambda_{ts})$$

Computing *marginal mean and covariance* from messages:

$$\Lambda_t = \sum_{s \in \Gamma(t)} \Lambda_{st}$$

$$\vartheta_t = \sum_{s \in \Gamma(t)} \vartheta_{st}$$

Gaussian Belief Propagation



- Compute message mean & covar as algebraic function of incoming message mean & covar (generalizes Kalman)
- For tree of N nodes of dimension d , cost is $O(Nd^3)$

Computing *marginal mean and covariance* from messages:

$$\Lambda_t = \sum_{s \in \Gamma(t)} \Lambda_{st} \quad \vartheta_t = \sum_{s \in \Gamma(t)} \vartheta_{st}$$

Nonlinear Dynamical System

State dynamics and/or measurement may be nonlinear:

$$x_t = f(x_{t-1}) + \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$$

$$y_t = h(x_t) + \omega \sim \mathcal{N}(0, R)$$

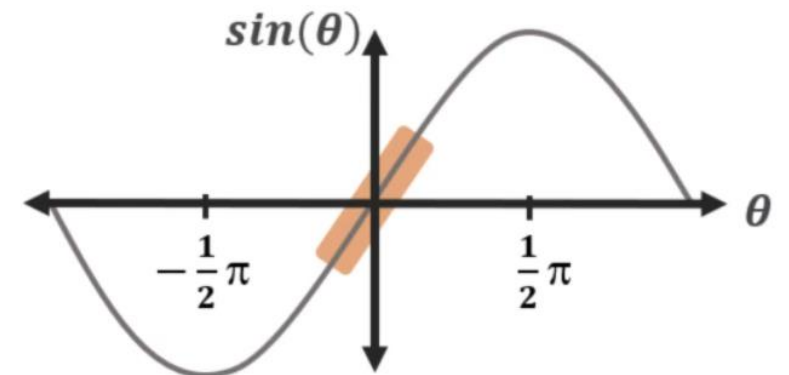
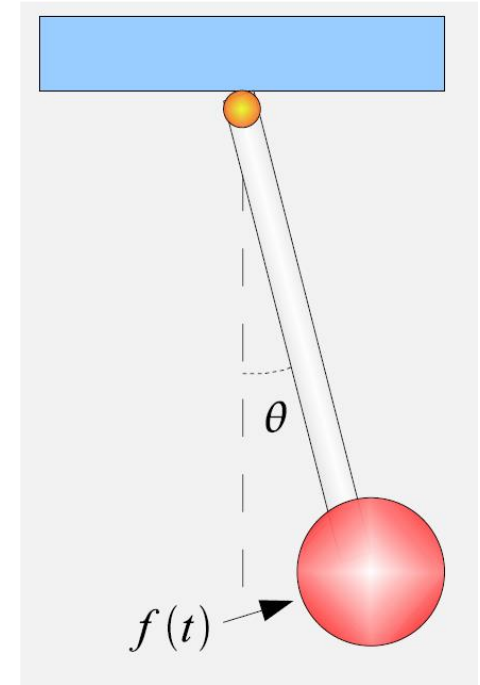
Filter equations lack a closed-form:

Prediction:

$$p(x_t | y_1^{t-1}) = \int \mathcal{N}(x_t | f(x_{t-1}), \Sigma) p(x_{t-1} | y_1^{t-1}) dx_{t-1}$$

Measurement Update:

$$p(x_t | y_1^t) \propto \mathcal{N}(y_t | h(x_t), R) p(x_t | y_1^{t-1})$$



Extended Kalman Filter

Linearize $f(\cdot)$ and $h(\cdot)$ about a point m :

$$f(x) \approx f(m) + \mathbf{J}_f(m)(x - m)$$

$$h(x) \approx h(m) + \mathbf{J}_h(m)(x - m)$$

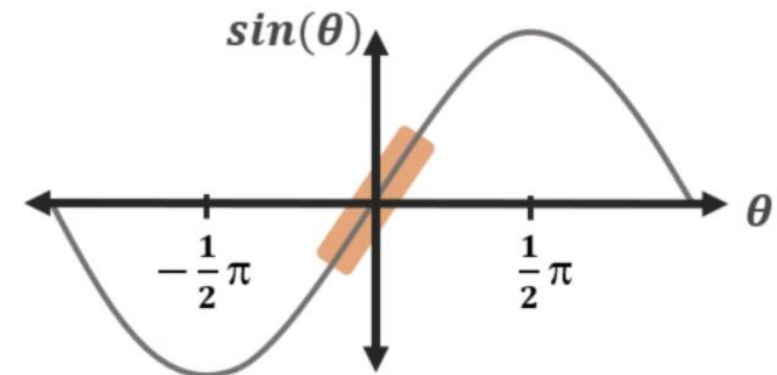
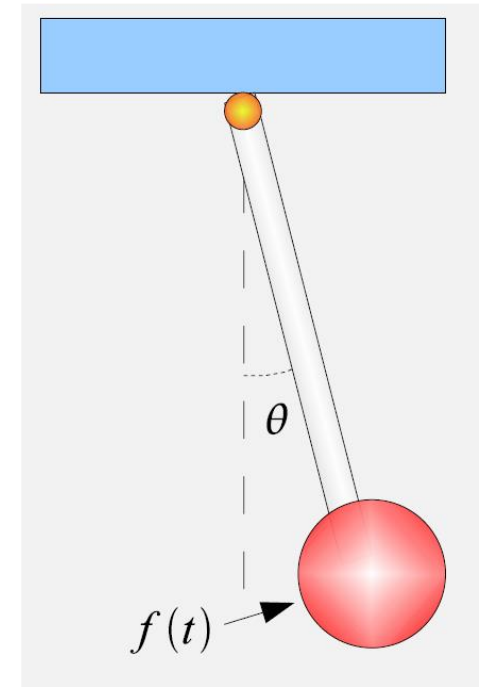
where $\mathbf{J}_f = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \end{pmatrix}$ is Jacobian matrix of partials

Assume *approximately* Gaussian marginals:

$$p(x_{t-1} \mid y_1^{t-1}) \approx \mathcal{N}(\mu_{t-1|t-1}, \Sigma_{t-1|t-1})$$

Filter equations:

- Remain (approximately) Gaussian
- Nearly identical to standard Kalman



Nonlinear Dynamical System

Pendulum with mass $m=1$, pole length $L=1$:

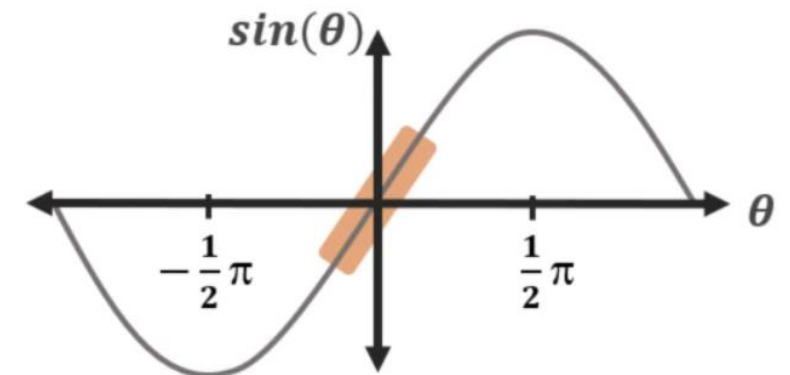
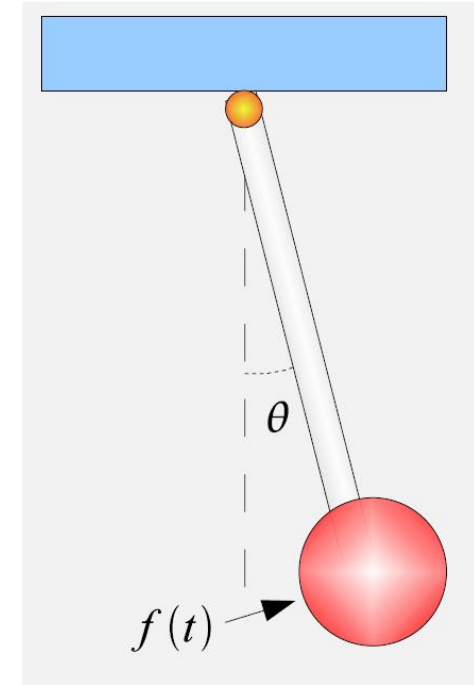
$$x_t = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_t \\ \dot{\theta}_t \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \theta_{t-1} + \dot{\theta}_{t-1} \\ \dot{\theta}_{t-1} - g \sin(\theta_{t-1}) \end{pmatrix}}_{f(x_{t-1})} + \epsilon$$

Noisy observation of X-position:

$$y_t = \underbrace{\sin(\theta_t)}_{h(x_t)} + \omega$$

Jacobian terms for linearization:

$$\mathbf{J}_f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -g \cos(x^1) & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{J}_h(x) = (\cos(x^1), 0)$$



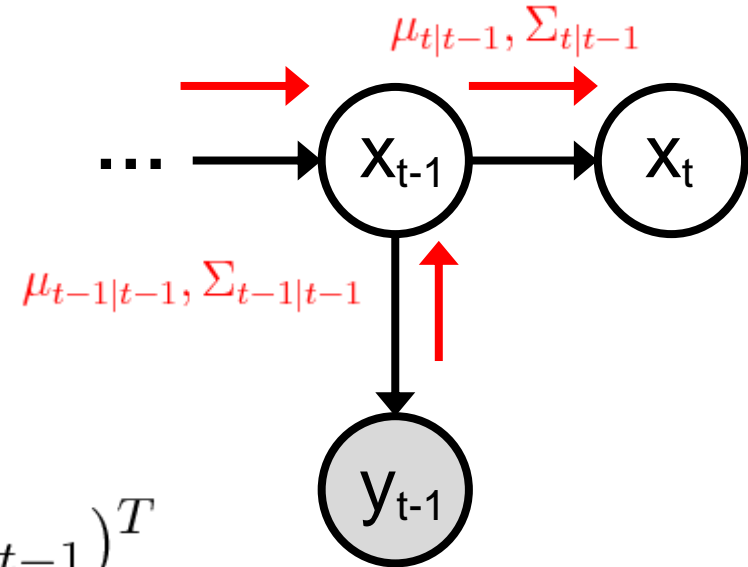
EKF Update Equations

Prediction Step:

State Prediction: $\mu_{t|t-1} = f(\mu_{t-1|t-1})$

Covariance Prediction:

$$\Sigma_{t|t-1} = \Sigma + \mathbf{J}_f(\mu_{t-1|t-1})\Sigma_{t-1|t-1}\mathbf{J}_f(\mu_{t-1|t-1})^T$$

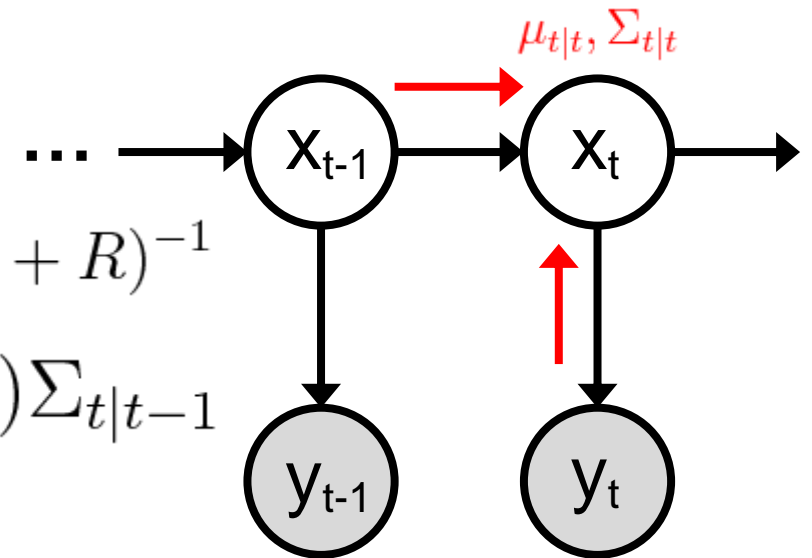


Measurement Update Step:

Gain: $K_t = \Sigma_{t|t-1}\mathbf{J}_h(\mu_{t|t-1})^T (\mathbf{J}_h(\mu_{t|t-1})\Sigma_{t|t-1}\mathbf{J}_h(\mu_{t|t-1})^T + R)^{-1}$

Filter Covariance: $\Sigma_{t|t} = \Sigma_{t|t-1} - K_t\mathbf{J}_h(\mu_{t|t-1})\Sigma_{t|t-1}$

Filter Mean: $\mu_{t|t} = \mu_{t|t-1} + K_t(y_t - h(\mu_{t|t-1}))$



Extended Kalman Filter

➤ **PROS:**

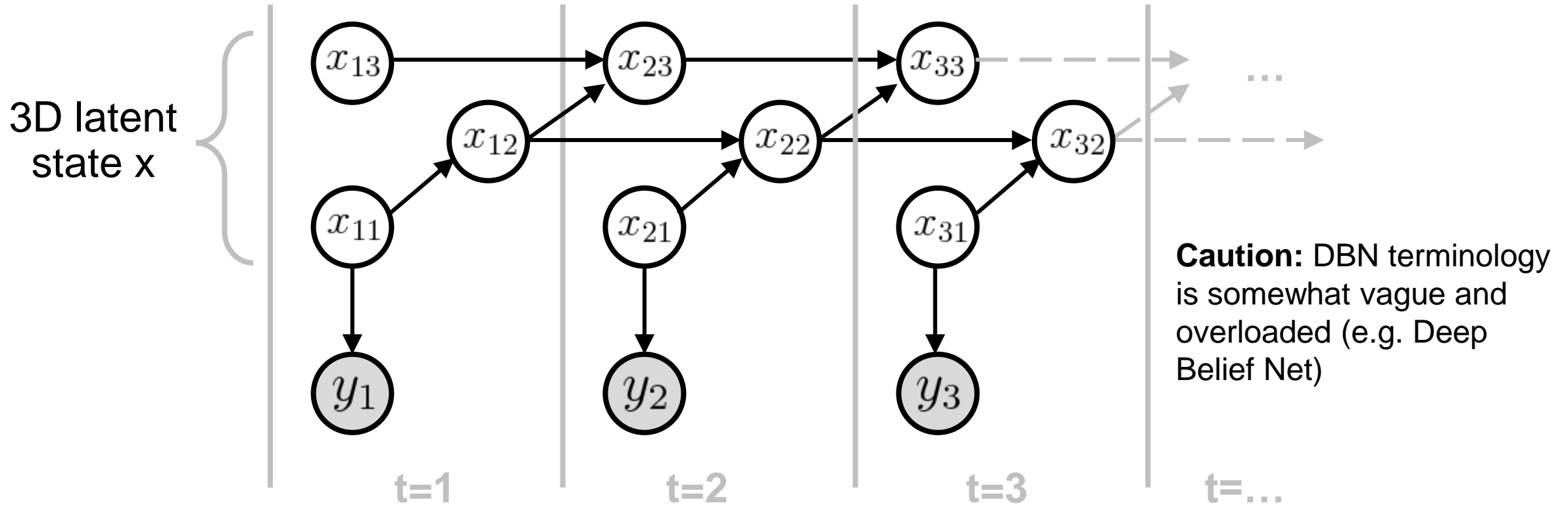
- Easy to implement – updates analogous to standard Kalman
- Computationally efficient
- Known theoretical stability results

➤ **CONS:**

- Linearity assumption poor for highly nonlinear models
- Requires differentiability
- Jacobian matrices can be hard to calculate & implement

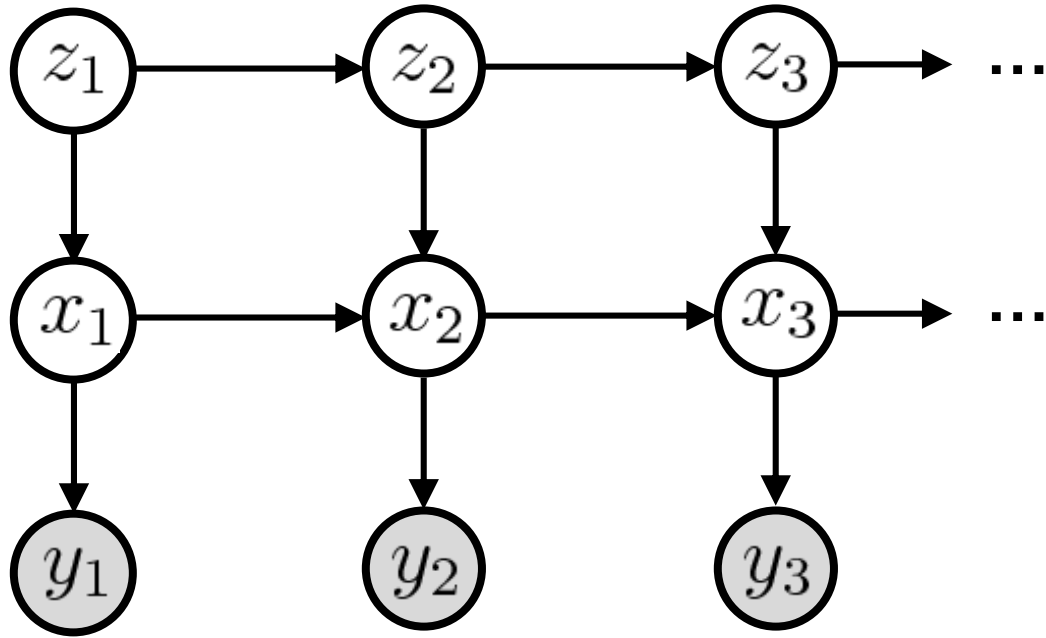
Unscented Kalman filter (UKF) typically more accurate in practice

Dynamic Bayesian Networks



- Multivariate latent state (e.g. $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$)
- Dynamics for each component within and across time
- Sometimes used as catch-all term for dynamical systems

Switching Dynamical System

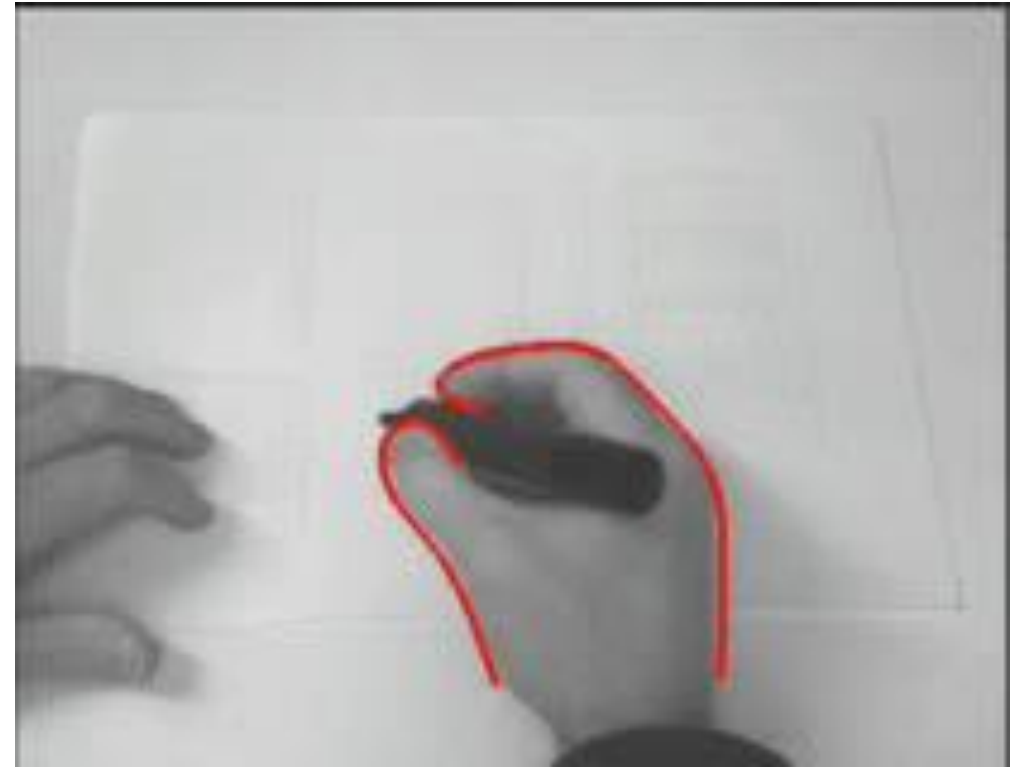


Discrete switching state:

$$z_t \mid z_{t-1} \sim \text{Cat}(\pi(z_{t-1})) \quad \text{With stochastic transition matrix } \pi$$

Switching state selects dynamics:

$$x_t \mid x_{t-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(A_{z_t} x_{t-1}, \Sigma_{z_t}) \quad (\text{e.g. Linear Gaussian})$$

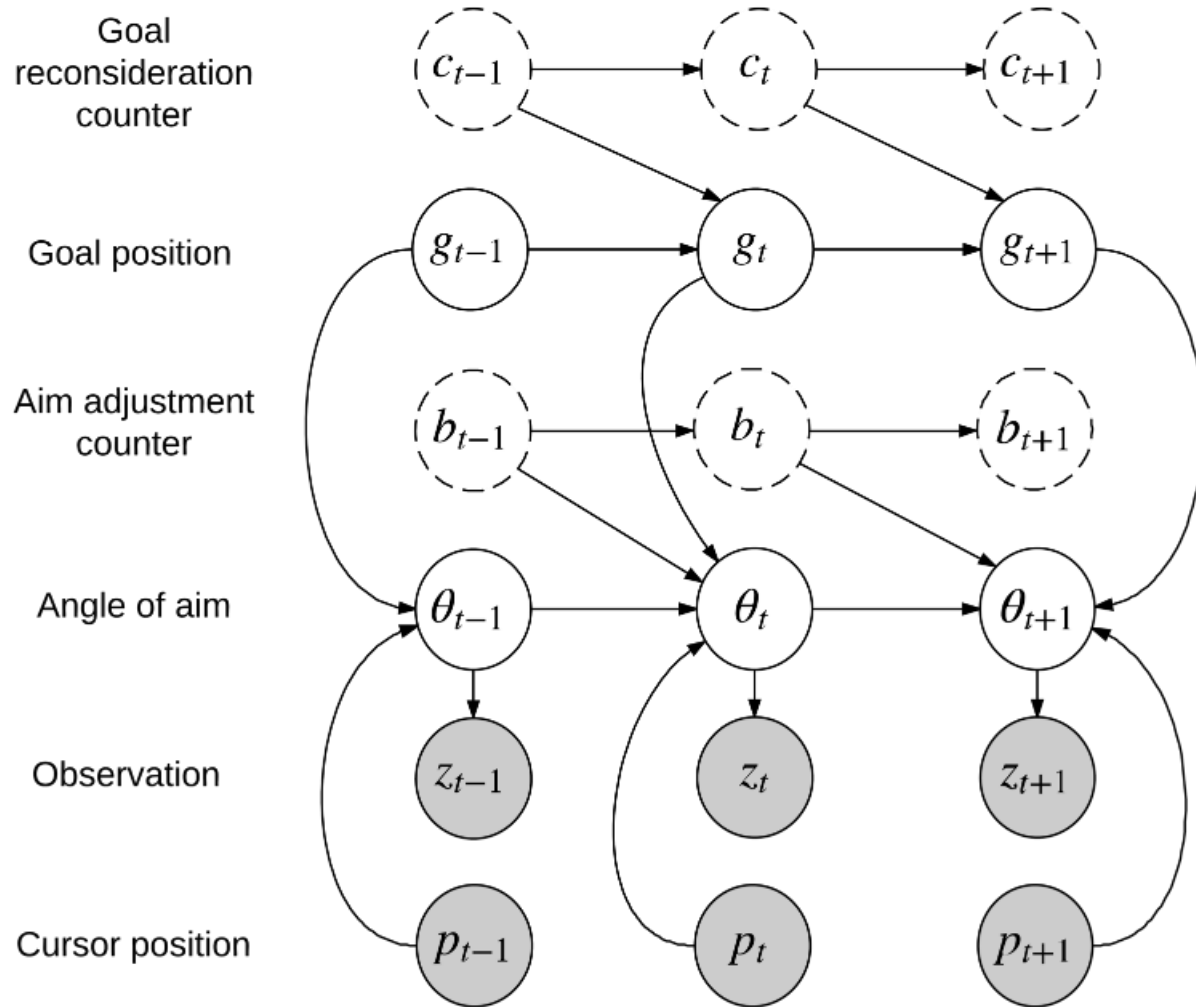


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[Video: Isard & Blake, ICCV 1998.]

Semi-Markov Process

Intracortical Brain-Computer Interface



Block 12: "Multiscale Semi-Markov Model"

- Counter decrements deterministically:
$$c_t = c_{t-1} - 1 \quad \text{if} \quad c_{t-1} > 0$$
- Resample when exhausted:
$$c_t \sim \text{Some-PMF}(\cdot) \quad \text{if} \quad c_{t-1} = 0$$
- Controls dynamics: $g_t \mid c_{t-1} \sim p_{c_{t-1}}(\cdot)$

Summary

- Definition of state-space model / dynamical system
- Analytic inference for Gaussian LDS possible via Kalman
- Gaussian nonlinear DS requires approximations (EKF / UKF)
- More complex dynamical structure:
 - Switching state-space model
 - Dynamic Bayesian Networks
 - Semi-Markov Processes