

Extended Kalman Filter (EKF)



State model for EKF:

$$\mathbf{x}[n+1] = \mathbf{A}[n]\mathbf{x}[n] + \mathbf{f}[n]$$
$$y[n] = h(\mathbf{x}[n], n) + v[n].$$

- Similar assumptions as the DKF regarding noise sources and observability of the states.
- Measurement equation nonlinear in state parameters.
- Assume nonlinearity is differentiable and continuous.

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■ Computing Kalman Gain:

$$\mathbf{K}_{2}^{\mathsf{opt}}[n] = \mathbf{P}_{-}[n]\mathbf{C}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n)(\mathbf{R}_{vv} + \mathbf{C}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n)\mathbf{P}_{-}[n]\mathbf{C}^{T}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n))^{-1}$$

■ EKF state estimate:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{+}[n] = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n] + \mathbf{K}_{2}^{\mathsf{opt}}[n](y[n] - h(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n))$$

Error covariance update:

$$P_{+}[n] = (I - K_{2}^{opt}[n]C(\hat{x}_{-}[n], n))P_{-}[n]$$

State extrapolation:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n+1] = \mathbf{A}[n]\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{+}[n], \ \mathbf{P}_{-}[n+1] = \mathbf{A}[n]\mathbf{P}_{+}[n]\mathbf{A}^{T}[n] + \mathbf{R}_{ff}$$



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■ Taylor series expansion of h(.) about prior estimate:

$$h(\mathbf{x}[n], n) \approx h(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n) - \frac{\partial h(\mathbf{x}[n], n)}{\partial \mathbf{x}[n]}|_{\mathbf{x} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}} \mathbf{e}_{-}[n]$$

Linearized model:

$$h(\mathbf{x}[n], n) - h(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n) = \mathbf{C}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n)\mathbf{e}_{-}[n]$$

$$\mathbf{C}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n) = -\frac{\partial h(\mathbf{x}[n], n)}{\partial \mathbf{x}[n]}|_{\mathbf{x} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}}$$

Linearization valid only if :

$$||\mathbf{P}_{+}[n]|| < ||\mathbf{P}_{-}[n]|| \longleftrightarrow ||(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_{2}^{\mathsf{opt}}[n]\mathbf{C}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n))|| < 1$$



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- DKF equations valid with linearized state model.
- Error surface multi-modal due to nonlinearity.
- Choice of initial conditions: unbiased estimate

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[0] = E\{\mathbf{x}[0]\} \longleftrightarrow E\{\mathbf{e}_{-}[n]\} = \mathbf{0}.$$

■ EKF diverges if initial conditions are not chosen ∋ $||\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_{2}^{\mathsf{opt}}[n]\mathbf{C}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{-}[n], n))|| < 1$

