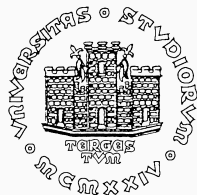


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Lecture 13

**State estimation from observed
data**

Kalman estimation

Recall the basic facts about Bayes estimation

- We look for an estimation method allowing to **embed the possible *a-priori* knowledge on the unknown quantity** to be estimated
- In the framework of Bayes estimation also **the unknown vector ϑ is interpreted as a random vector**
- The probability density function $p(\vartheta)$ **in absence of observed data** is the *a-priori* probability density function embedding the available information on ϑ before collecting the data.
Hence, in absence of data, **the *a-priori* estimator** could be

$$\hat{\vartheta} = \mathbb{E}(\vartheta) = \int \vartheta p(\vartheta) d\vartheta$$

and the estimate uncertainty $\text{var}(\hat{\vartheta})$ would be the ***a-priori* uncertainty**.

Recall the basic facts about Bayes estimation (cont.)

- Clearly, as soon as new data are collected, the probability density function $p(\vartheta)$ changes. As a consequence, $E(\vartheta)$ and $\text{var}(\vartheta)$ change as well. In particular, we expect $\text{var}(\vartheta)$ to decrease.
- **Summing up**, the basic idea is to consider a **joint random experiment** with respect to ϑ and to d and this is the conceptual peculiarity of the Bayes estimation approach.

Recall the basic facts about Bayes estimation (cont.)

- Consider the generic estimator as function of the data

$$\hat{\vartheta} = h(d)$$

and define the cost **functional**

$$J[h(\cdot)] = \mathbb{E} \left[\|\vartheta - h(d)\|^2 \right]$$

- The goal is to determine an estimator $h^\circ(\cdot)$ such that $J[h(\cdot)]$ is minimized, that is we have to determine

$$h^\circ(\cdot) : \mathbb{E} \left[\|\vartheta - h^\circ(d)\|^2 \right] \leq \mathbb{E} \left[\|\vartheta - h(d)\|^2 \right], \quad \forall h(\cdot)$$

where the expected values are computed with reference to the joint random experiment.

Recall the basic facts about Bayes estimation (cont.)

Assuming for the moment that ϑ and d are scalar

$$h^\circ(x) = E(\vartheta | d = x)$$

The optimal Bayes estimator is the expected value conditioned to the actual observed data

and thus $\hat{\vartheta} = h^\circ(\delta)$, where δ is the specific value taken on by d in the random experiment.

Remark. The generalization to the vector case is trivial.

Bayes Estimation in the Gaussian Case

- Assume that d and ϑ are **marginally and jointly Gaussian** random variables:

$$\begin{bmatrix} d \\ \vartheta \end{bmatrix} \sim G \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{dd} & \lambda_{d\vartheta} \\ \lambda_{\vartheta d} & \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

and

$$p(d, \vartheta) = C \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} d & \vartheta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{dd} & \lambda_{d\vartheta} \\ \lambda_{\vartheta d} & \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} d \\ \vartheta \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

- We obtain:

$p(\vartheta | d)$ is Gaussian with:

- expected value $\frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} d$
- variance $\lambda^2 = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}}$


Bayes Estimation in the Gaussian Case (cont.)

- Then, the optimal Bayes estimator is given by

$$\hat{\vartheta} = h^{\circ}(x) = E(\vartheta | d = x) = \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} d$$

Recalling that $E(d) = 0$, $E(\vartheta) = 0$ by assumption, we obtain that $E(\hat{\vartheta}) = 0$ and hence the variance of the optimal estimator is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) &= E[(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta})^2] = E\left[\left(\vartheta - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} d\right)^2\right] \\ &= E(\vartheta^2) - 2 \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} E(\vartheta d) + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}^2} E(d^2) \end{aligned}$$


$$\text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}} = \lambda^2$$

Optimal Linear Estimator


- Let us **remove the assumption** for which d and ϑ are marginally and jointly Gaussian random variables, and let us just assume that $E(d) = 0$, $E(\vartheta) = 0$
- As before, let us use the notations $E(d^2) = \lambda_{dd}$, $E(\vartheta^2) = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta}$, $E(\vartheta d) = \lambda_{\vartheta d}$
- **Impose** that the estimator takes on a **linear structure**:

$$\hat{\vartheta} = \alpha d + \beta$$

where α and β are suitable parameters to be determined.

- Introduce the cost function:

$$J = E \left[\left(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta} \right)^2 \right] = E \left[\left(\vartheta - \alpha d - \beta \right)^2 \right]$$


$$\hat{\vartheta} = \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} d$$

**Optimal linear
estimator**

Optimal Linear Estimator (cont.)

- The variance of the optimal linear estimator is given by:


$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) &= \text{E} \left[(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta})^2 \right] = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} + \alpha^2 \lambda_{dd} + \beta^2 - 2\alpha \lambda_{\vartheta d} \\ &= \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}} \lambda_{dd} - 2 \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} \lambda_{\vartheta d} = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}} = \lambda^2\end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

- the optimal linear estimator is **formally** equal to the Bayes one.
- If the Gaussian assumption on the random variables holds, then the optimal linear estimator actually is the best possible in the minimum variance sense
- If the Gaussian assumption on the random variables does not hold, then the linear estimator is sub-optimal, but still it is the best estimator constrained to take on a linear structure in the case in which no further assumptions are introduced on the probabilistic characteristics of the random variables


Generalizations

- If $E(d) = d_m$, $E(\vartheta) = \vartheta_m$


$$\hat{\vartheta} = \vartheta_m + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} (d - d_m)$$
$$\text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}}$$

- If d and ϑ are vectors with $E(d) = d_m$, $E(\vartheta) = \vartheta_m$ and

$$\text{var} \left(\begin{bmatrix} d \\ \vartheta \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{dd} & \Lambda_{d\vartheta} \\ \Lambda_{\vartheta d} & \Lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda_{d\vartheta} = \Lambda_{\vartheta d}^\top$$


$$\hat{\vartheta} = \vartheta_m + \Lambda_{\vartheta d} \Lambda_{dd}^{-1} (d - d_m)$$
$$\text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) = \Lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \Lambda_{\vartheta d} \Lambda_{dd}^{-1} \Lambda_{d\vartheta}$$

Interpretations and remarks

- Consider for simplicity the Bayes estimator in the simple case:

$$\hat{\vartheta} = \vartheta_m + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} (d - d_m)$$

Then:

- $\vartheta_m = E(\vartheta)$ is the **a priori estimate**: in case of no observations availability, it is the more reasonable estimate. In this case, we have:

$$\hat{\vartheta} = \vartheta_m \quad \text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \text{var}(\vartheta)$$

- Instead, when observations are available, we have:

$$\hat{\vartheta} = \vartheta_m + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} (d - d_m)$$

**A-priori part
of the estimate**

**Correction term
exploiting
observed data**

Interpretations and remarks (cont.)

Clearly:

- If $\lambda_{\vartheta d} = 0$ then $\hat{\vartheta} = \vartheta_m$ and this is correct: it means that the data observation d is uncorrelated with ϑ and hence it does not convey useful information for the estimate: *the a -posteriori estimate coincides with the a -priori one.*
- If $\lambda_{\vartheta d} \neq 0$ then *the estimate is corrected on the basis of the observed data:*
 - If $\lambda_{\vartheta d} > 0$ then $\hat{\vartheta} - \vartheta_m$ and $d - d_m$ *in the average* keep the same sign and the correction is more likely to keep the same sign as well
 - If $\lambda_{\vartheta d} < 0$ then $\hat{\vartheta} - \vartheta_m$ and $d - d_m$ *in the average* have a different sign and the correction is more likely to change the same sign as well

Interpretations and remarks (cont.)

- It also very important to enhance the role played by the variance λ_{dd} that “quantifies” the degree of **uncertainty of the observed data**:

$$\hat{\vartheta} = \vartheta_m + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} (d - d_m)$$

the larger λ_{dd} , the smaller the applied correction, that is, **the update is “more cautious”**

- Moreover:

$$\text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}} = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} \lambda_{dd}}\right)$$

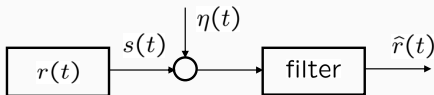
and thus $\text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) \leq \text{var}(\vartheta)$ and

$$\text{var}(\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}) < \text{var}(\vartheta) \text{ if } \lambda_{\vartheta d} \neq 0$$

and this is correct because it expresses the fact that the estimate cannot but improve whenever the observed data convey useful information

Kalman estimation

- In Kalman estimation we address the problem of estimating variables that are **not directly available** and **without making any assumption on the stationarity of the stochastic processes** (unlike what has been done since now).



Example:
signal filtering

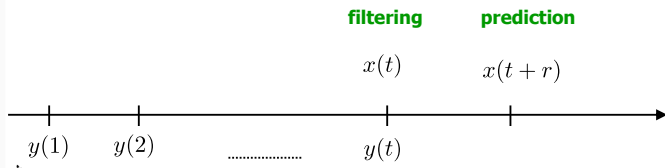
Kalman estimation (cont.)

- We refer to system's descriptions through **state equations**:

$$x(t+1) = Fx(t) + v_1(t) \quad x, v_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$y(t) = Hx(t) + v_2(t) \quad y, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

- $v_1 \sim \text{WGN}(0, V_1)$, $v_2 \sim \text{WGN}(0, V_2)$
- $v_1(\cdot)$, $v_2(\cdot)$ independent, mutually and with $x(1)$
- F , H , V_1 , V_2 known



State estimation and Bayes estimation

- Since $v_1(t)$ and $v_2(t)$ are random variables, also $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ are r.v. \implies both the data $y(t)$, $y(t-1)$, \dots and the unknown $x(t)$ are r.v. \implies it is natural to resort to the Bayes framework
- From the Gaussian assumption on the exogenous variables and the linearity of the dynamic system it follows that **the probability density functions of the state, the output and the state/output joint probability density functions are Gaussian as well.**

$$\hat{x}(t+r|t) = x(t+r)_m + \Lambda_{x(t+r)d} \Lambda_{dd}^{-1} (d - d_m)$$


where:

- $x(t+r)_m := \mathbb{E}[x(t+r)]$
- $d := y^t := \text{col}[y(t), y(t-1), \dots, y(1)]$
- $d_m := \mathbb{E}[d]$

State estimation and Bayes estimation (cont.)

- But:

$$E[v_1(t)] = 0, E[v_2(t)] = 0 \implies E[x(t)] = 0, E[y(t)] = 0$$


$$\hat{x}(t+r|t) = \Lambda_{x(t+r)d} \Lambda_{dd}^{-1} d \quad (\star)$$

Remark: formula (\star) makes sense also if the Gaussian assumptions do not hold. In such a case $\Lambda_{x(t+r)d} \Lambda_{dd}^{-1} d$ is the best linear estimator

- (\star) solves the problem but **it is NOT recursive**. Instead, we want to obtain a recursive estimator of the form:

$$\hat{x}(t+r|t) = f[\hat{x}(t+r-1|t-1)]$$

Recursive form of Bayes estimation

- For now, denote by ϑ the unknown to be estimated and by d the observed data.
- Suppose (just for simplicity and without loss of generality) that
 - ϑ scalar
 - $d(1), d(2)$ two scalar data
 - $E(\vartheta) = 0, E[d(1)] = 0, E[d(2)] = 0$
- Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vartheta \\ d(1) \\ d(2) \end{bmatrix} \sim G \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} & \lambda_{\vartheta 1} & \lambda_{\vartheta 2} \\ \lambda_{1\vartheta} & \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{2\vartheta} & \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

where $\lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} = E(\vartheta^2), \lambda_{\vartheta 1} = E[\vartheta d(1)], \dots$

Recursive form of Bayes estimation (cont.)

- The estimate of ϑ based on the **single data point** $d(1)$ is given by

$$E[\vartheta | d(1)] = \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1)$$

- Instead, the estimate of ϑ based on **two data points** $d(1)$, $d(2)$ is

$$E[\vartheta | d(1), d(2)] = [\lambda_{\vartheta 1} \quad \lambda_{\vartheta 2}] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} d(1) \\ d(2) \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\lambda_{12} = \lambda_{21}$ But

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{11}\lambda_{22} - \lambda_{12}^2} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{22} & -\lambda_{12} \\ -\lambda_{12} & \lambda_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

and hence

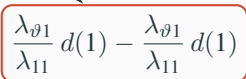
$$E[\vartheta | d(1), d(2)] = \frac{1}{\lambda_{11}\lambda_{22} - \lambda_{12}^2} [(\lambda_{\vartheta 1}\lambda_{22} - \lambda_{\vartheta 2}\lambda_{12}) d(1) + (-\lambda_{\vartheta 1}\lambda_{12} + \lambda_{\vartheta 2}\lambda_{11}) d(2)]$$

Recursive form of Bayes estimation (cont.)

- letting $\lambda^2 = \lambda_{22} - \frac{\lambda_{12}^2}{\lambda_{11}}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[\vartheta \mid d(1), d(2)] &= \frac{1}{\lambda_{11}\lambda^2} (-\lambda_{\vartheta 1}\lambda_{12} + \lambda_{\vartheta 2}\lambda_{11}) d(2) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\lambda_{11}\lambda^2} (\lambda_{\vartheta 1}\lambda_{22} - \lambda_{\vartheta 2}\lambda_{12}) d(1) \end{aligned}$$

- Adding and subtracting the term $E[\vartheta \mid d(1)] = \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1)$

$$\begin{aligned} E[\vartheta \mid d(1), d(2)] &= \frac{1}{\lambda_{11}\lambda^2} (-\lambda_{\vartheta 1}\lambda_{12} + \lambda_{\vartheta 2}\lambda_{11}) d(2) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\lambda_{11}\lambda^2} (\lambda_{\vartheta 1}\lambda_{22} - \lambda_{\vartheta 2}\lambda_{12}) d(1) + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \end{aligned}$$


Recursive form of Bayes estimation (cont.)

recursion



$$\begin{aligned} E[\vartheta \mid d(1), d(2)] &= \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(\lambda_{\vartheta 2} - \lambda_{\vartheta 1} \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} \right) d(2) \\ &+ \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(\lambda_{\vartheta 1} \frac{\lambda_{22}}{\lambda_{11}} - \lambda_{\vartheta 2} \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} - \lambda_{\vartheta 1} \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda_{11}} \right) d(1) + \boxed{\frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1)} \end{aligned}$$

- substituting $\lambda^2 = \lambda_{22} - \frac{\lambda_{12}^2}{\lambda_{11}}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[\vartheta \mid d(1), d(2)] &= \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \\ &+ \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(\lambda_{\vartheta 2} - \lambda_{\vartheta 1} \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} \right) \left[d(2) - \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \right] \end{aligned}$$

- **Definition.** Given two random variables $d(1)$ and $d(2)$ we call **innovation** of $d(2)$ with respect to $d(1)$ the quantity:

$$e = d(2) - E[d(2) \mid d(1)] = d(2) - \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1)$$

Recursive form of Bayes estimation (cont.)

Let us analyze the random variable e :

- e is a linear combination of $d(1)$ and of $d(2)$ that are Gaussian
 $\implies e$ is Gaussian. Moreover ϑ , $d(1)$, e are jointly Gaussian
- $E(e) = 0$
- $\lambda_{ee} = E \left[\left(d(2) - \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \right)^2 \right] = \lambda_{22} + \frac{\lambda_{12}^2}{\lambda_{11}^2} \lambda_{11} - 2 \frac{\lambda_{12}^2}{\lambda_{11}} = \lambda^2$
- $\lambda_{\vartheta e} = E \left[\vartheta \left(d(2) - \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \right) \right] = \lambda_{\vartheta 2} - \lambda_{\vartheta 1} \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}}$
- $\lambda_{1e} = E \left[d(1) \left(d(2) - \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \right) \right] = \lambda_{12} - \lambda_{11} \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} = 0$

The innovation e is uncorrelated with $d(1)$

Recursive form of Bayes estimation (cont.)

- Hence

$$\begin{aligned} E[\vartheta \mid d(1), d(2)] &= \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(\lambda_{\vartheta 2} - \lambda_{\vartheta 1} \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} \right) \left[d(2) - \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) \right] \\ &= \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta 1}}{\lambda_{11}} d(1) + \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta e}}{\lambda_{ee}} e \end{aligned}$$

and, since ϑ , $d(1)$, e are jointly Gaussian, we have

$$E[\vartheta \mid d(1), d(2)] = E[\vartheta \mid d(1)] + E[\vartheta \mid e]$$

Thus: the optimal estimate can be expressed also as a function of the innovation.

Recursive form of Bayes estimation (cont.)

- Observe that

$$\mathbb{E}[\vartheta \mid d(1), e] = \mathbb{E}[\vartheta \mid d(1)] + \mathbb{E}[\vartheta \mid e]$$

because e is uncorrelated with $d(1)$; thus, the optimal estimate given $d(1)$, $d(2)$ coincides with the optimal estimate given $d(1)$, e

$d(2)$ and e have the **same information content**

In particular:

$$e = d(2) - \mathbb{E}[d(2) \mid d(1)] \implies d(2) = \mathbb{E}[d(2) \mid d(1)] + e$$

and hence the innovation represents the “part” of $d(2)$ which is not predictable on the basis of $d(1)$.

The innovation represents the actual information content of $d(2)$ with respect to $d(1)$

Generalization to the vector case

- Now, if ϑ , $d(1)$, $d(2)$ are **zero-mean vectors** we have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vartheta \\ d(1) \\ d(2) \end{bmatrix} \sim G \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} & \Lambda_{\vartheta 1} & \Lambda_{\vartheta 2} \\ \Lambda_{1\vartheta} & \Lambda_{11} & \Lambda_{12} \\ \Lambda_{2\vartheta} & \Lambda_{21} & \Lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

where $\Lambda_{\vartheta 1} = \Lambda_{1\vartheta}^\top$, $\Lambda_{\vartheta 2} = \Lambda_{2\vartheta}^\top$, $\Lambda_{21} = \Lambda_{12}^\top$

- We obtain:

$$e = d(2) - \mathbb{E}[d(2) | d(1)] = d(2) - \Lambda_{21} \Lambda_{11}^{-1} d(1)$$

and hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\vartheta | d(1), d(2)] &= \mathbb{E}[\vartheta | d(1)] + \mathbb{E}[\vartheta | e] \\ &= \Lambda_{\vartheta 1} \Lambda_{11}^{-1} d(1) + \Lambda_{\vartheta e} \Lambda_{ee}^{-1} e \end{aligned}$$

Generalization to the non-zero mean case

- Now, if ϑ , $d(1)$, $d(2)$ are **non-zero mean vectors** we have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vartheta \\ d(1) \\ d(2) \end{bmatrix} \sim G \left(\begin{bmatrix} \vartheta_m \\ d(1)_m \\ d(2)_m \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} & \Lambda_{\vartheta 1} & \Lambda_{\vartheta 2} \\ \Lambda_{1\vartheta} & \Lambda_{11} & \Lambda_{12} \\ \Lambda_{2\vartheta} & \Lambda_{21} & \Lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

- We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} E[\vartheta \mid d(1), d(2)] &= E[\vartheta \mid d(1)] + E[\vartheta \mid e] - \vartheta_m \\ &= \vartheta_m + \Lambda_{\vartheta 1} \Lambda_{11}^{-1} [d(1) - d(1)_m] + \Lambda_{\vartheta e} \Lambda_{ee}^{-1} e \end{aligned}$$

where, in analogy with the zero-mean scalar case we have:

- $E(e) = 0$
- $\Lambda_{1e} = E \left\{ [d(1) - d(1)_m]^\top e \right\} = 0$
- $\Lambda_{\vartheta e} = \Lambda_{\vartheta 2} - \Lambda_{\vartheta 1} \Lambda_{11}^{-1} \Lambda_{12}$

Geometric interpretation of Bayes recursive estimation

Recall (Bayes estimation):

- Suppose that d and ϑ are marginally and jointly Gaussian random variables:

$$\begin{bmatrix} d \\ \vartheta \end{bmatrix} \sim G \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{dd} & \lambda_{d\vartheta} \\ \lambda_{\vartheta d} & \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

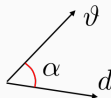
Hence d and ϑ can be interpreted **geometric vectors**

- Define the scalar product $(\vartheta, d) = E(\vartheta \cdot d)$
- The usual properties of vector spaces equipped with scalar product hold true. In particular:

$$\|\vartheta\| = \sqrt{(\vartheta, \vartheta)}$$

$$\|d\| = \sqrt{(d, d)}$$

$$(\vartheta, d) = \|\vartheta\| \|d\| \cos \alpha$$



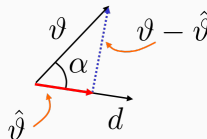
- **Uncorrelated** random variables correspond to orthogonal vectors

Geometric interpretation of Bayes recursive estimation (cont.)

- Now:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\vartheta} &= \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}}{\lambda_{dd}} d = \frac{E(\vartheta \cdot d)}{E(d \cdot d)} d = \frac{(\vartheta, d)}{\|d\|^2} d = \frac{(\vartheta, d)}{\|d\|^2} \frac{\|\vartheta\|}{\|\vartheta\|} d \\ &= \frac{(\vartheta, d)}{\|\vartheta\| \|d\|} \|\vartheta\| \frac{d}{\|d\|} = \|\vartheta\| \cos \alpha \frac{d}{\|d\|}\end{aligned}$$

The optimal estimate $\hat{\vartheta}$ is the projection of ϑ on the data vector d



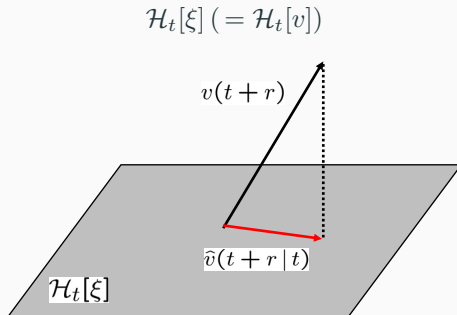
- Then consider the vector $\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}$. It follows that:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}\|^2 &= \|\vartheta\|^2 - \|\hat{\vartheta}\|^2 = \|\vartheta\|^2 - \|\vartheta\|^2 (\cos \alpha)^2 \\ &= \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd} \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta}} = \lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} - \frac{\lambda_{\vartheta d}^2}{\lambda_{dd}}\end{aligned}$$

The error variance is the square of the length of vector $\vartheta - \hat{\vartheta}$.

Geometric interpretation of Bayes recursive estimation (cont.)

- In the prediction problem, $\hat{v}(t+r|t)$ is the projection of $v(t+r)$ (interpreted as a geometric vector) on the subspace (hyperplane)

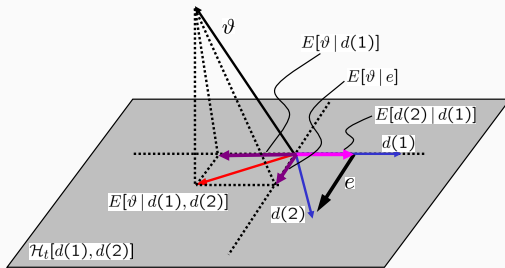


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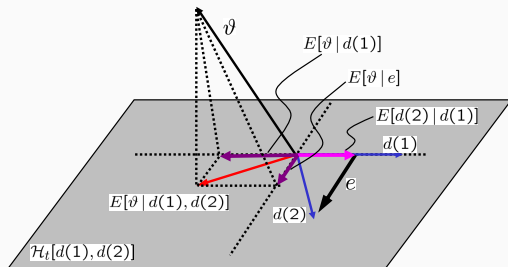
- If

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vartheta \\ d(1) \\ d(2) \end{bmatrix} \sim G \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{\vartheta\vartheta} & \Lambda_{\vartheta 1} & \Lambda_{\vartheta 2} \\ \Lambda_{1\vartheta} & \Lambda_{11} & \Lambda_{12} \\ \Lambda_{2\vartheta} & \Lambda_{21} & \Lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

we are able to consider ϑ , $d(1)$, $d(2)$ as geometric vectors, and hence



Geometric interpretation of Bayes recursive estimation (cont.)



- Note that:
 - e lies on the plane $\mathcal{H}_t[d(1), d(2)]$ and is orthogonal to $d(1)$
 - $E[\vartheta | d(1)]$ is orthogonal to $E[\vartheta | e]$
 - $E[\vartheta | d(1), d(2)] = E[\vartheta | d(1)] + E[\vartheta | e]$ not true in general
 - $E[\vartheta | d(1), d(2)] \neq E[\vartheta | d(1)] + E[\vartheta | d(2)]$

One-step ahead Kalman predictor

- Consider the dynamic system

$$\begin{cases} x(t+1) = Fx(t) + v_1(t) \\ y(t) = Hx(t) + v_2(t) \end{cases} \quad x, v_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n, y, v_2 \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

- $v_1 \sim WGN(0, V_1), v_2 \sim WGN(0, V_2)$
- $v_1(\cdot), v_2(\cdot)$ independent, mutually and with $x(1)$
- F, H, V_1, V_2 known, $V_2 > 0$
- We want to design a one step ahead state predictor in recursive form:

$$\hat{x}(t+1|t) \text{ function of } \hat{x}(t|t-1)$$

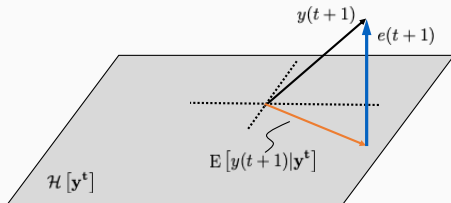
One-step ahead Kalman predictor (cont.)

Let us enhance the role played by the **innovation**:

- the prediction of $x(t+1)$ is based on the data $y(t), y(t-1), \dots, y(1)$
- $\mathbf{y}^t = \text{col}[y(t), y(t-1), \dots, y(1)]$ generates the subspace of the past $\mathcal{H}[\mathbf{y}^t]$
- The innovation provided by the $(t+1)$ -th data-point with respect to \mathbf{y}^t is given by

$$e(t+1) = y(t+1) - \mathbb{E}[y(t+1)|\mathbf{y}^t]$$

and hence the situation is:

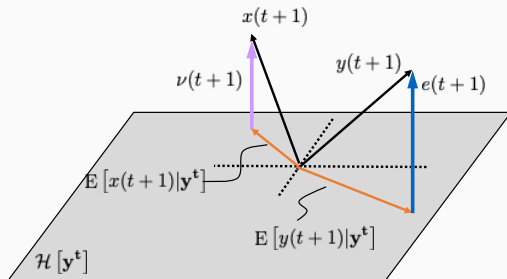


One-step ahead Kalman predictor (cont.)

- The **state prediction error** is:

$$\nu(t+1) = x(t+1) - \hat{x}(t+1|t) = x(t+1) - E[x(t+1)|\mathbf{y}^t]$$

and thus the situation now is:



The state prediction error $\nu(t+1)$ is orthogonal to the past $\mathcal{H}[\mathbf{y}^t]$

Optimal one-step ahead output prediction

- We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y}(t+1|t) &= \mathbb{E}[y(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Hx(t+1) + v_2(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t] \\ &= H \mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t] + \mathbb{E}[v_2(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t] \\ &= H \hat{x}(t+1|t) + \mathbb{E}[v_2(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t]\end{aligned}$$

- Let us analyze the term $\mathbb{E}[v_2(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t]$:

$$x(t) = f[\mathbf{v}_1^{t-1}, x(1)] = f[v_1(t-1), v_1(t-2), \dots, v_1(1), x(1)]$$

$$y(t) = \bar{f}[\mathbf{v}_1^{t-1}, x(1), v_2(t)] \implies \mathbf{y}^t = \bar{f}[\mathbf{v}_1^{t-1}, x(1), \mathbf{v}_2^t]$$

- $v_2(\cdot)$ white $\implies v_2(t+1)$ independent from \mathbf{v}_2^t
- $v_1(\cdot), v_2(\cdot)$ independent, mutually and with $x(1)$ [Hp.]
- $v_2(t+1)$ independent with \mathbf{y}^t

$$\mathbb{E}[v_2(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t] = \mathbb{E}[v_2(t+1)] = 0$$

$$\hat{y}(t+1|t) = H \hat{x}(t+1|t)$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction

- We have

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}(t+1|t) &= \mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^t] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}, y(t)]\end{aligned}$$

- From the recursive Bayes formula:

$$\hat{x}(t+1|t) = \mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] + \mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | e(t)]$$

- Let us first compute the term $\mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}]$:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] &= \mathbb{E}[Fx(t) + v_1(t) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] \\ &= F \mathbb{E}[x(t) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] + \mathbb{E}[v_1(t) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}]\end{aligned}$$

But $v_1(t)$ independent with \mathbf{y}^{t-1}

$$\mathbb{E}[v_1(t) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] = \mathbb{E}[v_1(t)] = 0$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] = F \hat{x}(t|t-1)$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction (cont.)

- Now compute the term $E[x(N+1) | e(N)]$. From Bayes formula

$$E[x(t+1) | e(t)] = \Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} \Lambda_{e(t)e(t)}^{-1} e(t)$$

And hence the problem has been reduced to the one of determining the matrices $\Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)}$, $\Lambda_{e(t)e(t)}$

- Expression of $\Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} = E[x(t+1) e(t)^T]$

$$\begin{aligned} e(t) &= y(t) - E[y(t) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] = y(t) - \hat{y}(t | t-1) \\ &= H x(t) + v_2(t) - H \hat{x}(t | t-1) \\ &= H [x(t) - \hat{x}(t | t-1)] + v_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} &= E \left\{ [F x(t) + v_1(t)] \cdot [H [x(t) - \hat{x}(t | t-1)] + v_2(t)]^T \right\} \\ &= F E \left\{ x(t) [x(t) - \hat{x}(t | t-1)]^T \right\} \cdot H^T \\ &\quad + F E [x(t) v_2(t)^T] \\ &\quad + E \left\{ v_1(t) [H (x(t) - \hat{x}(t | t-1)) + v_2(t)]^T \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction (cont.)

- Now, let us analyze separately the terms $F^T E \{x(t)v_2(t)^T\}$ and $E \{v_1(t) [H(x(t) - \hat{x}(t|t-1)) + v_2(t)]^T\}$
- (★) $F^T E [x(t)v_2(t)^T]$
 - $v_1(\cdot), v_2(\cdot)$ independent, mutually and with $x(1)$ [Hp.]
 - $v_2(t)$ independent with $x(t)$

$$E [x(t)v_2(t)^T] = E [x(t)] E [v_2(t)^T] = 0$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction (cont.)

- (**)
$$\mathbb{E} \left\{ v_1(t) [H (x(t) - \hat{x}(t | t-1)) + v_2(t)]^\top \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \mathbb{E} [v_1(t)x(t)^\top] H^\top \\ &\quad - \mathbb{E} [v_1(t)\hat{x}(t | t-1)^\top] H^\top \\ &\quad + \mathbb{E} [v_1(t)v_2(t)^\top] \end{aligned}$$

- but $v_1(\cdot)$ white $\implies v_1(t)$ independent with \mathbf{v}_2^{t-1}
- $v_1(\cdot)$ independent with $x(1)$ [Hp.] $\implies v_1(t)$ independent with $x(t)$

$$\mathbb{E} [v_1(t)x(t)^\top] = \mathbb{E} [v_1(t)] \mathbb{E} [x(t)^\top] = 0$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction (cont.)

- Moreover $\hat{x}(t|t-1)$ depends on y^{t-1} which, in turn, depends on $v_1(t-2), v_1(t-3), \dots, x(1)$ and on $v_2(t-1)$ etc.

$$\mathbb{E} [v_1(t) \hat{x}(t|t-1)^\top] = 0$$

$$\Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} = F \cdot \mathbb{E} \left\{ x(t) [x(t) - \hat{x}(t|t-1)]^\top \right\} \cdot H^\top$$

- Now, introduce the term $\hat{x}(t|t-1)$ in order to make the state prediction error $\nu(t) = x(t) - \hat{x}(t|t-1)$ to show up in the overall formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} &= F \cdot \mathbb{E} \left\{ [x(t) - \hat{x}(t|t-1)] [x(t) - \hat{x}(t|t-1)]^\top \right\} \cdot H^\top \\ &\quad + F \cdot \mathbb{E} \left\{ x(t) [x(t) - \hat{x}(t|t-1)]^\top \right\} \cdot H^\top \end{aligned}$$

$$\Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} = F \cdot \mathbb{E} [\nu(t) \nu(t)^\top] \cdot H^\top + F \cdot \mathbb{E} [\hat{x}(t|t-1) \nu(t)^\top] \cdot H^\top$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction (cont.)

- It is now worth introducing the **state prediction error covariance matrix**:

$$P(t) = \mathbb{E} [\nu(t)\nu(t)^\top]$$

- Finally, notice that $\nu(t)$ is orthogonal to $\mathcal{H}[\mathbf{y}^t]$, whereas

$$\hat{x}(t | t-1) \in \mathcal{H}[\mathbf{y}^t]$$

$$\mathbb{E} [\hat{x}(t | t-1)\nu(t)^\top] = \mathbb{E} [\hat{x}(t | t-1)] \mathbb{E} [\nu(t)^\top] = 0$$

$$\Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} = F \cdot P(t) \cdot H^\top$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction (cont.)

- Expression of $\Lambda_{e(t)e(t)}$

Recall that

$$\begin{aligned}e(t) &= H [x(t) - \hat{x}(t | t-1)] + v_2(t) \\ &= H \nu(t) + v_2(t)\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_{e(t)e(t)} &= E [e(t)e(t)^\top] \\ &= H \cdot E [\nu(t)\nu(t)^\top] \cdot H^\top + E [v_2(t)v_2(t)^\top] \\ &\quad + H \cdot E [\nu(t)v_2(t)^\top] + E [v_2(t)\nu(t)^\top] \cdot H^\top\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\nu(t) = \check{f} [y^{t-1}, v_2(t)] \implies H \cdot E [\nu(t)v_2(t)^\top] = 0$$

$$\Lambda_{e(t)e(t)} = H \cdot P(t) \cdot H^\top + V_2$$

Recursive one-step ahead prediction (cont.)

- Summing up

$$\hat{x}(t+1 | t) = E[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] + E[x(t+1) | e(t)]$$

where

$$E[x(t+1) | \mathbf{y}^{t-1}] = F \hat{x}(t | t-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[x(t+1) | e(t)] &= \Lambda_{x(t+1)e(t)} \Lambda_{e(t)e(t)}^{-1} e(t) \\ &= F \cdot P(t) \cdot H^T [H \cdot P(t) \cdot H^T + V_2]^{-1} e(t) \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\hat{x}(t+1 | t) = F \hat{x}(t | t-1) + K(t) \cdot e(t)$$

where the **gain matrix** “weighting” the innovation is

$$K(t) = F \cdot P(t) \cdot H^T [H \cdot P(t) \cdot H^T + V_2]^{-1}$$

We want to determine a **recursive formula** also for state prediction error covariance matrix $P(t) = E [\nu(t)\nu(t)^T]$

- Then, we need to express in recursive way

$$\nu(t+1) = x(t+1) - \hat{x}(t+1|t)$$

But:

$$x(t+1) = Fx(t) + v_1(t)$$

$$\hat{x}(t+1|t) = F \hat{x}(t|t-1) + K(t) \cdot e(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nu(t+1) &= F[x(t) - \hat{x}(t|t-1)] + v_1(t) - K(t)e(t) \\ &= F\nu(t) + v_1(t) - K(t)e(t)\end{aligned}$$

- On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned}e(t) &= y(t) - \hat{y}(t | t-1) \\&= Hx(t) + v_2(t) - H\hat{x}(t | t-1) \\&= H\nu(t) + v_2(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$\nu(t+1) = [F - K(t)H] \nu(t) + v_1(t) - K(t)v_2(t)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}P(t+1) &= E [\nu(t+1)\nu(t+1)^\top] \\&= E \left\{ [F - K(t)H] \nu(t)\nu(t)^\top [F - K(t)H]^\top \right\} + E [v_1(t)v_1(t)^\top] \\&\quad + E [K(t)v_2(t)v_2(t)^\top K(t)^\top] + E \left\{ [F - K(t)H] \nu(t)v_1(t)^\top \right\} \\&\quad - E \left\{ [F - K(t)H] \nu(t)v_2(t)^\top K(t)^\top \right\} \\&\quad + E \left\{ v_1(t)\nu(t)^\top [F - K(t)H]^\top \right\} - E [v_1(t)v_2(t)^\top K(t)^\top] \\&\quad - E \left\{ K(t)v_2(t)\nu(N)^\top [F - K(t)H]^\top \right\}\end{aligned}$$

However $\nu(t)$ is independent with $v_1(t)$ and with $v_2(t)$:

$$E [v_1(t)\nu(t)^\top] = E [\nu(t)v_1(t)^\top] = 0$$

$$E [v_2(t)\nu(t)^\top] = E [\nu(t)v_2(t)^\top] = 0$$

$$E [v_1(t)v_2(t)^\top] = E [v_2(t)v_1(t)^\top] = 0$$

Riccati equation

$$P(t+1) = [F - K(t)H] P(t) [F - K(t)H]^\top + V_1 + K(t)V_2K(t)^\top$$

Riccati equation (cont.)

- Therefore, the Riccati equation is a recursive matrix equation which, once initialized, allows to compute the matrix $P(t)$
- There are several equivalent forms of Riccati equation. The following one is very useful because it does not explicitly involve the gain matrix $K(t)$ (this form can be derived by very simple algebraic manipulations)

$$P(t+1) = F \left\{ P(t) - P(t)H^T [V_2 + HP(t)H^T]^{-1} HP(t) \right\} F^T + V_1$$

Initialization of the Riccati recursive equation

- Notice that $\nu(1) = x(1) - \hat{x}(1|0)$ but $y(0)$ is not available and thus we are not able to compute $\nu(1)$ and hence $P(1)$
- Then, let us “formally” start the recursion from $P(2)$:

$$P(2) = E \left\{ [x(2) - \hat{x}(2|1)] [x(2) - \hat{x}(2|1)]^\top \right\}$$

and since $\hat{x}(2|1)$ is the Bayes estimate of $x(2)$ we can write:

$$P(2) = \Lambda_{x(2)x(2)} - \Lambda_{x(2)y(1)} \Lambda_{y(1)y(1)}^{-1} \Lambda_{y(1)x(2)}$$

but

$$\Lambda_{x(2)x(2)} = E \left\{ [Fx(1) + v_1(1)] [Fx(1) + v_1(1)]^\top \right\} = FP_1F^\top + V_1$$

where we set $P_1 = \text{var}[x(1)]$. Moreover:

$$\Lambda_{x(2)y(1)} = E \left\{ [Fx(1) + v_1(1)] [Hx(1) + v_2(1)]^\top \right\} = FP_1H^\top$$

$$\Lambda_{y(1)x(2)} = \Lambda_{x(2)y(1)}^\top$$

$$\Lambda_{y(1)y(1)} = E \left\{ [Hx(1) + v_2(1)] [Hx(1) + v_2(1)]^\top \right\} = HP_1H^\top + V_2$$

Initialization of the Riccati recursive equation (cont.)

- Then:

$$P(2) = FP_1F^\top + V_1 - FP_1H^\top (HP_1H^\top + V_2)^{-1} HP_1F^\top \quad (\star)$$



(\star) formally coincides with the Riccati equation with the position $P_1 = P(1)$

Interpretation

At instant 1, in which no past observed data are available, we assume that $\hat{x}(1|0) = E[x(1)] = 0$. Thus

$$P(1) = E \left\{ [x(1) - \hat{x}(1|0)] [x(1) - \hat{x}(1|0)]^\top \right\} = P_1$$

The Riccati is initialized with $P_1 = P(1) = \text{var} [x(1)]$ at instant 1 and not at instant 2.

- Let us address the initialization of

$$\hat{x}(t+1|t) = F \hat{x}(t|t-1) + K(t) \cdot e(t)$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}(2|1) &= \mathbb{E}[x(2) | x(1)] = \Lambda_{x(2)y(1)} \Lambda_{y(1)y(1)}^{-1} y(1) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left\{ [Fx(1) + v_1(1)] [Hx(1) + v_2(1)]^\top \right\} \\ &\quad \times \left(\mathbb{E} \left\{ [Hx(1) + v_2(1)] [Hx(1) + v_2(1)]^\top \right\} \right)^{-1} y(1) \\ &= FP_1 H^\top (HP_1 H^\top + V_2)^{-1} y(1) \quad (\star)\end{aligned}$$

Initialization of the estimate (cont.)

- We have

$$\hat{x}(2 | 1) = F P_1 H^\top (H P_1 H^\top + V_2)^{-1} y(1) \quad (\star)$$

Interpretation

Letting $\hat{x}(1 | 0) = 0 \implies e(1) = y(1) - H\hat{x}(1 | 0) = y(1)$

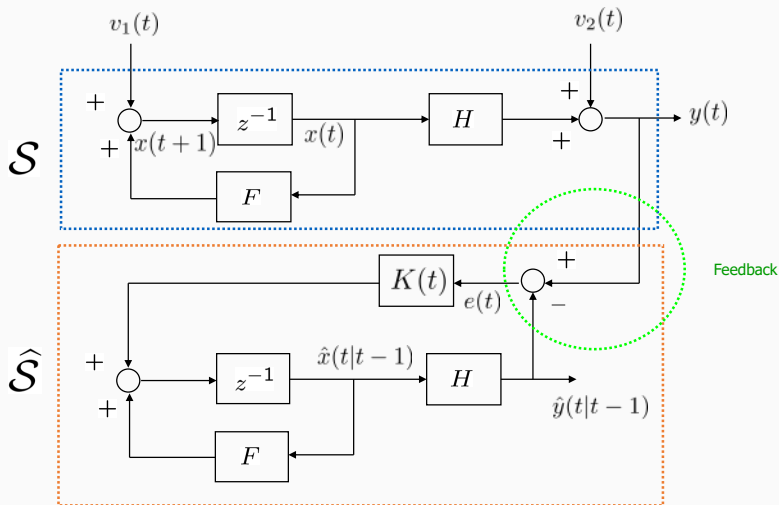
then relation (\star) is “compatible” with the recursive one and the interpretation is obvious: *a priori*, without available data, the more reasonable estimate is the *a priori* expected value.

Remark

If $E[x(1)] = \bar{x}_1 \neq 0$ we just initialize by $\hat{x}(1 | 0) = \bar{x}_1$.

Kalman predictor

The Kalman predictor architecture can be drawn as follows:



- The gain matrix $K(t)$ plays a fundamental role: the term $K(t)e(t)$ corrects the prediction based on a known state-space model of the system through the observed data collected on line.
- The Riccati equation can be solved off line, that is, the matrices $P(t)$ can be determined *a priori* and hence also the gain matrix $K(t)$.
- $P(t) \geq 0, \forall t > 1$ if $P(1) = P_1 \geq 0$
- $(HP_1H^\top + V_2) > 0$ as we assumed $V_2 > 0$.

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Lecture 13

**State estimation from observed
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