

1. Recall that the estimate of a random vector,  $\mathbf{x}$ , from two measured random vectors,  $\mathbf{m}_1$  and  $\mathbf{m}_2$ , may be obtained using the “two-measurement” formulas given below:

$$\hat{\mathbf{m}}_2 = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{m}_1, \text{ where } \mathbf{G} = \mathbf{C}_{m_2m_1}\mathbf{C}_{m_1m_1}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_2 = \mathbf{m}_2 - \hat{\mathbf{m}}_2$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{e}_2, \text{ where } \mathbf{F}_1 = \mathbf{C}_{xm_1}\mathbf{C}_{m_1m_1}^{-1} \text{ and } \mathbf{F}_2 = \mathbf{C}_{xe_2}\mathbf{C}_{e_2e_2}^{-1}.$$

Show that  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is the optimal MMSE estimator of  $\mathbf{x}$  because it satisfies the orthogonality principle. That is, show that the first and second terms identified below are both equal to zero.

$$E\{(\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}})[\mathbf{m}_1^T \quad \mathbf{m}_2^T]\} = E\{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}_1\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{e}_2)[\mathbf{m}_1^T \quad \mathbf{m}_2^T]\}$$

The first term is  $E\{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}_1\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{e}_2)\mathbf{m}_1^T\}$  and the second term is  $E\{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{F}_1\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{e}_2)\mathbf{m}_2^T\}$ .

2. The purpose of this problem is to construct an MMSE estimator for a random vector given a vector of two measurements and to compare this estimator with the “two-measurement” formula using each element of the measurement vector individually.

Consider a two-element zero-mean, random measurement vector

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with covariance matrix  $\mathbf{R}$ . Note that  $\mathbf{m}$  can be simulated as  $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{w}$ , where  $\mathbf{w}$  is a two-element zero-mean random variable with identity covariance matrix, with  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ . Note also that  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{L}$  are  $2 \times 2$  matrices. Let a two-element random vector  $\mathbf{x}$  be given by

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{m} + \mathbf{v}$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix and  $\mathbf{v}$  is a zero-mean random vector with identity covariance matrix, and  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{m}$  are uncorrelated. From the information given above, compute the following covariance matrices:

(a)  $\mathbf{C}_{xm} = E(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{m}^T)$

(b)  $\mathbf{C}_{mm}$

(c)  $\mathbf{C}_{m_2m_1}$

(d)  $\mathbf{C}_{m_1m_1}$

- (e) The optimal estimator of  $m_2$  given  $m_1$  is  $\hat{m}_2 = Gm_1$ . The error between  $m_2$  and this estimate of  $m_2$  is

$$e_2 = m_2 - Gm_1.$$

Compute  $C_{xe_2}$  and  $C_{e_2e_2}$ .

- (f) Obtain a formula for the MMSE estimate of  $\mathbf{x}$  given the measured vector  $\mathbf{m}$ .
- (g) Use the “two-measurement” formula to obtain the MMSE estimate of  $\mathbf{x}$  given the measurements  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ .

3. Use the formulas obtained in Problem 2 with the following numerical matrices:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.9 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0.9 & \sqrt{1-0.9^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

If we want to estimate the value of  $\mathbf{x}$  before any measurements are taken, the best we can do is use the mean value of  $\mathbf{0}$ . The error of this “mean-value estimator” is  $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{x}$ . The following Matlab code sets up the problem and plots the error for the mean-value estimator as well as for the estimators derived in parts (f) and (g) of Problem 1 (you will have to write the code for these estimators).

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r=0.9;
A=[1 2;2 1];
R=[1 r;r 1];
L=[1 0;r sqrt(1-r^2)];
m=L*randn(2,100); %calculate 100 measurement vectors
x=A*m+randn(2,100); %calculate 100 x vectors
figure(1)
plot(x(1,:),x(2:,:),'o');grid
title('Error for the mean-value estimator of x')
%
% Compute xhat1, the MMSE estimator of x given m
%
ee1=x-xhat1;
figure(2)
plot(ee1(1,:),ee1(2:,:),'o');grid
title('Error for the MMSE estimator of x given m')
axis([-8 8 -8 8])
%
% Compute xhat2, the MMSE two-measurement formula for x given m1 and m2
%
ee2=x-xhat2;
figure(3)
plot(ee2(1,:),ee2(2:,:),'o');grid
title('Error for MMSE two-measurement estimator of x given m1 and m2')
axis([-8 8 -8 8])
norm(xhat1-xhat2) % shows that xhat1 and xhat2 are the same

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4. In the derivation of the Kalman filter, guess **G1** related  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t)$  (the best estimate of  $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t)$  given data set D1) and  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t)$  (the best estimate of  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  given D1) by the following formula:

$$\mathbf{G1}: \quad \hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t) = \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t) + \mathbf{B}_u\mathbf{u}(t),$$

where the data set D1 is:  $\mathbf{m}(\tau)$ ,  $0 \leq \tau \leq t - \epsilon$ . The two “best estimates” mentioned above are characterized by the following orthogonality principles:

$$\mathbf{O1}: \quad E\{(\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t))\mathbf{m}^T(\tau)\} = 0, \quad 0 \leq \tau \leq t - \epsilon$$

$$\mathbf{O3}: \quad E\{(\mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t))\mathbf{m}^T(\tau)\} = 0, \quad 0 \leq \tau \leq t - \epsilon$$

Show that **O1** is satisfied by the estimator in **G1**, making use of the fact that **O3** characterizes the estimator  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t)$ .

5. In the derivation of the Kalman filter, guess **G2** related  $\hat{\mathbf{m}}_\epsilon(t)$  (the best estimate of  $\mathbf{m}(t)$  given data set D1) and  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t)$  (the best estimate of  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  given D1) by the following formula:

$$\mathbf{G2}: \quad \hat{\mathbf{m}}_\epsilon(t) = \mathbf{C}\hat{\mathbf{x}}_\epsilon(t).$$

Show that guess **G2** satisfies the orthogonality principle:

$$\mathbf{O2}: \quad E\{(\mathbf{m}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{m}}_\epsilon(t))\mathbf{m}^T(\tau)\} = 0, \quad 0 \leq \tau \leq t - \epsilon$$

making use of **O3** and assumption **A5** given in class.

6. In the derivation of the Kalman filter we start with a plant model:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}_u\mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{B}_w\mathbf{w}(t) \\ \mathbf{m}(t) &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{v}(t) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{w}(t)$  and  $\mathbf{v}(t)$  are uncorrelated white noise signals with spectral density matrices  $\mathbf{S}_w$  and  $\mathbf{S}_v$ , respectively. The Kalman filter is described by the following differential equation:

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{G}(t)\mathbf{C})\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \mathbf{B}_u\mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{G}(t)\mathbf{m}(t)$$

Let the error vector be defined as  $\mathbf{e}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ .

- Derive the state-space differential equation model for  $\mathbf{e}(t)$  (i.e.  $\dot{\mathbf{e}}(t) = \dots$ ).
- Derive the differential equation for the error covariance matrix  $\mathbf{\Sigma}_e(t)$  using the results from Chapter 3.