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LECTURE 22: Map Building (unknown # of landmarks) EKF SLAM

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PROBLEM: WHAT IF THE NUMBER OF LANDMARKS IS UKNOWN?



Where(?) the M(?) landmarks?

State vector **ξ** of the EKF: (Coordinates of the M landmarks)

Usually, both the locations and the number M of the landmarks existing in the environment are not known a priori

The state vector $\boldsymbol{\xi}_k$ must be **incrementally expanded** by two new coordinate components $[\lambda_{\times}^i \lambda_{y}^i]$ each time a *new* landmark λ^i is observed

Formally, the expansion of the state vector $\boldsymbol{\xi}_k$ amounts to the following *process* dynamics (before process dynamics was stationary), implemented through the use of the *auxiliary* (non linear!) function $\boldsymbol{q()}$:

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1}^{*} = \boldsymbol{q}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}; \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \theta_{k}) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \theta_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \boldsymbol{x}_{k} + \rho_{k} \cos(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \\ \boldsymbol{y}_{k} + \rho_{k} \sin(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \lambda_{kx}^{i} \\ \lambda_{ky}^{i} \end{bmatrix}$$

If $\boldsymbol{\xi}_k$ is $2n \times 1$, $n < M \Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1}^*$ is $2(n+1) \times 1$.

The order of the landmarks in the state vector depends on the order of observation,

THE STATE EXPANSION FUNCTION

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1}^{*} = \boldsymbol{q}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}; \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \boldsymbol{x}_{k} + \rho_{k} \cos(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \\ \boldsymbol{y}_{k} + \rho_{k} \sin(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \lambda_{kx}^{i} \\ \lambda_{ky}^{i} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The vector function $\mathbf{g}(x, y, \theta, \mathbf{z})$, which is the inverse of the observation function $\ell()$, gives the measured coordinates (in the world frame) of the observed landmark.
- Inputs: known vehicle pose $[x \ y \ \theta]^T$, sensor observation $\mathbf{z} = [\rho \ \beta]^T$ at time step k.
- g() gets the local robot measure and outputs the world coordinates of the observed landmark:

$$\boldsymbol{g}(x, y, \theta, z) = \begin{bmatrix} x + \rho \cos(\theta + \beta) \\ y + \rho \sin(\theta + \beta) \end{bmatrix}$$



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EXPANDING BOTH STATE AND COVARIANCE MATRIX

- After the *new* landmark *i* has been observed, at step k + 1, the **expanded state vector**: $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1}^* \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_k & \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i^T \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_x^t & \lambda_y^t & \lambda_x^s & \lambda_y^s & \lambda_x^j & \lambda_y^j & \dots & \dots & \lambda_x^i & \lambda_y^i \end{bmatrix}^T$
- Without losing generality, let's assume that the landmarks are ordered incrementally in the state vector → landmark *i* is the *i*-th discovered landmark:

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1}^{*} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} & \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{i} \end{bmatrix}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{x}^{1} & \lambda_{y}^{1} & \lambda_{x}^{2} & \lambda_{y}^{2} & \lambda_{x}^{3} & \lambda_{y}^{3} & \dots & \dots & \lambda_{x}^{i} & \lambda_{y}^{i} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

• The new expanded covariance matrix, of dimension $2i \times 2i$:

THE EXPANDED COVARIANCE MATRIX

What are the covariance values for the new predicted coordinates $(\hat{\lambda}_x^i, \hat{\lambda}_y^i)$?

The estimation error associated to the measured coordinates of the newly observed landmark corresponds to the **error associated to the sensing measure** \Downarrow The covariance for the estimates $(\hat{\lambda}_x^i, \hat{\lambda}_y^i)$ is the same as the **covariance matrix** W_k modeling the sensing errors $\Sigma_{\lambda^i \lambda^i} = W_k$

What are the cross-covariance values between the new predicted coordinates and those previously in the state?

Cross-covariances are all 0 in the considered model: the observation of one landmark does not provide information about another landmark

The resulting expanded covariance matrix:

$$\boldsymbol{P}_{k+1|k}^{*} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{P}_{k|k} & \boldsymbol{0}_{2(i-1)\times 2} \\ \boldsymbol{0}_{2\times 2(i-1)} & \boldsymbol{W}_{k} \end{bmatrix}$$

PREDICTION UPDATE FOLLOWING A STATE EXPANSION

The process dynamics defined through *q*() is <u>not linear</u> → the *Jacobian* of *q*() needs to be computed to define the EKF process updating equations based on the expanded state and covariance

$$\boldsymbol{q}_{k}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}; \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k} \\ \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k} \\ \boldsymbol{x}_{k} + \rho_{k} \cos(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \\ \boldsymbol{y}_{k} + \rho_{k} \sin(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{kx}^{1} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{ky}^{2} \\ \cdots \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{kx}^{i-1} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{ky}^{i-1} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{ky}^{i} \end{bmatrix}$$

JACOBIAN MATRIX

$$\boldsymbol{Q}_{k}(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}, \boldsymbol{w}_{k}^{\rho}, \boldsymbol{w}_{k}^{\beta}; \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \theta_{k}) = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla q_{\lambda_{kx}^{1}} & \nabla q_{\lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \nabla q_{\lambda_{kx}^{n}} & \nabla q_{\lambda_{ky}^{n}} & \nabla g_{kx} & \nabla g_{ky} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{2}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{2}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{2}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{2}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{1}}{\partial \lambda_{k$$

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JACOBIANS FOR LINEARIZATION OF $q_k()$

- Said n = (i − 1), the number of landmarks before the current new observation, the dimension of the covariance matrix before the expansion is 2n × 2n, while the dimension of the Jacobian Q is (2n + 2) × (2n + 3 + 2)
- \triangleright $Q_{k\xi}$ is evaluated at the current observation z_{k+1} , therefore is also referred to as $Q_{z_{k+1}}$
- The Jacobian $Q_{k\xi}$ of $q_k()$ for the linearization of the state dynamics in the case of state expansion can be also expressed in a more compact form:

$$\mathbf{Q}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{2n\times 2n} & \mathbf{0}_{2n\times 2} \\ \mathbf{G}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}} & \mathbf{G}_{\boldsymbol{z}} \end{bmatrix}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}, \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}, \boldsymbol{w} = 0}$$
$$\mathbf{G}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{g}_{k}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{G}_{\boldsymbol{z}} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{g}_{k}}{\partial \boldsymbol{z}_{k}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) & -\rho_{k} \sin(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \\ \sin(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) & \rho_{k} \cos(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \end{bmatrix}$$

The Jacobian $Q_{k\xi}$ allows to linearly transform (expand) the covariance matrix P_k when adding a new landmark to the state vector:

$$\boldsymbol{P}_{k|k+1}^{*} = \boldsymbol{Q}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{P}_{k|k} & \boldsymbol{0}_{2n\times 2} \\ \boldsymbol{0}_{2\times 2n} & \boldsymbol{W}_{k} \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{Q}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{P}_{k|k} & \boldsymbol{0}_{2n\times 2} \\ \boldsymbol{0}_{2\times 2n} & \boldsymbol{G}_{z} \\ \boldsymbol{W}_{k} \boldsymbol{G}_{z}^{T} \end{bmatrix}$$

which results in an expanded $2(n+1) \times 2(n+1)$ matrix

EKF INCLUDING STATE EXPANSION

The Jacobians $L_{k\xi}$ and L_{kw} of $\ell_k()$, computed before, accounts for the linearization of the observation model when an already discovered landmark is observed (x_k and y_k are parameters):

$$\boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k}}{r_{k}^{i}} & \frac{\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k}}{r_{k}^{i}} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -\frac{\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k}}{(r_{k}^{i})^{2}} & \frac{\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k}}{(r_{k}^{i})^{2}} & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{\boldsymbol{\hat{\xi}}_{k+1|k}, \boldsymbol{0}} \boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{w}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• The complete EKF equations:

When a new landmark i is observed:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k+1|k}^{*} = \boldsymbol{q}_{k}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}, \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k})$$
$$\boldsymbol{P}_{k+1|k}^{*} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{P}_{k|k} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{G}_{z} \boldsymbol{W}_{k} \boldsymbol{G}_{z}^{T} \end{bmatrix}$$

At every time step k + 1 a landmark i is observed

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k+1|k} + \boldsymbol{G}_{k+1}(\boldsymbol{z}_{k+1} - \boldsymbol{\ell}_{k}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}_{k+1|k}, \boldsymbol{0}; \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}))$$

$$\boldsymbol{P}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{P}_{k+1|k} - \boldsymbol{G}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} \boldsymbol{P}_{k+1|k}$$

$$\boldsymbol{G}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{P}_{k+1|k} \boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{T} \boldsymbol{S}_{k+1}^{-1}$$

$$\boldsymbol{S}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} \boldsymbol{P}_{k+1|k} \boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{T} + \boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{w}} \boldsymbol{W}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{L}_{k\boldsymbol{w}}^{T}$$

SOLVING LOCALIZATION AND MAPPING TOGETHER

- > The previous derivation was based on the fact that robot's localization was perfect
- Since this is not (usually) the case, let's solve the joint problem:

Simultaneous Localization and Mapping (SLAM)

The state vector needs to include also robot's coordinates, since also robot's pose needs to be estimated

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} x, y, \theta, \lambda_x^1 & \lambda_y^1 & \lambda_x^2 & \lambda_y^2 & \dots & \lambda_x^M & \lambda_y^M \end{bmatrix}^T$$

 $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ has now dimension $(2M+3) \times 1$, and \boldsymbol{P} is a $(2M+3) \times (2M+3)$ matrix

THE SLAM CHALLENGE IN A NUTSHELL



- Looking for absolute robot pose
- Looking for absolute landmark positions
- But only relative measurements of landmarks are available

WHY SLAM IS A HARD PROBLEM



- Robot path and the landmark map are both <u>unknown</u>
- Errors in map and pose estimates are <u>correlated</u>
- Mapping between observations and landmarks is <u>unknown</u>
- <u>Data Association</u>: Selecting wrong data association can be disastrous (divergence)

STATE VECTOR AND COVARIANCE MATRIX

The state vector and the covariance matrix: the state vector includes both the robot's generalized coordinates and landmarks' coordinates; said n = (i - 1) the number of discovered landmarks at step k:

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{k} & y_{k} & \theta_{k} & \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{k}^{1} & \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{k}^{2} & \dots & \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{k}^{n} \end{bmatrix}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{R_{k}} & \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{k}^{n}} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

and the resulting covariance matrix (omitting the index k) is:

$$P_{(3+2n)\times(3+2n)} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{x\theta} & \sigma_{x\lambda_x^1} & \sigma_{x\lambda_y^1} & \dots & \sigma_{x\lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{x\lambda_y^n} \\ \sigma_{yx} & \sigma_{yy} & \sigma_{y\theta} & \sigma_{y\lambda_x^1} & \sigma_{y\lambda_y^1} & \dots & \sigma_{y\lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{y\lambda_y^n} \\ \sigma_{\theta x} & \sigma_{\theta y} & \sigma_{\theta \theta} & \sigma_{\theta\lambda_x^1} & \sigma_{\theta\lambda_y^1} & \dots & \sigma_{\theta\lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{\theta\lambda_y^n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{RR} & \Sigma_{R\lambda} \\ \sigma_{\lambda_x^1 x} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 y} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 \theta} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 \lambda_x^1} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 \lambda_y^1} & \dots & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 \lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^1 \lambda_y^n} \\ \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 x} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 y} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 \theta} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 \lambda_x^1} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^1 \lambda_y^1} & \dots & \sigma_{\lambda_y^1 \lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^1 \lambda_y^n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \sigma_{\lambda_x^n x} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^n y} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^n \theta} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^n \lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^n \lambda_y^n} & \dots & \sigma_{\lambda_y^n \lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{\lambda_x^n \lambda_y^n} \\ \sigma_{\lambda_y^n x} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^n y} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^n \theta} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^n \lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^n \lambda_y^n} & \dots & \sigma_{\lambda_y^n \lambda_x^n} & \sigma_{\lambda_y^n \lambda_y^n} \end{bmatrix}$$

THE SLAM MOVIE

Robot's pose prediction using the odometry model

- **Observe** the environment while moving:
 - **1** Get a landmark observation
 - Perform a measurement prediction using the map (being) created
- Compare predicted and observed measure to perform data association (is a new landmark?) and compute innovation







EKF EQUATIONS FOR SLAM?

Combination of all equations from previous cases!

- **1** Robot's pose prediction using the odometry model: EKF based on the linearization of the motion equations using the Jacobians $F_{k\xi}$ and $F_{k\nu}$ computed previously, and the new (constant) Jacobian $F_{k\lambda}$, to reduce the motion equation to a linear form of the type $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{A}_k \boldsymbol{\xi}_k + \boldsymbol{\nu}_k \rightarrow \text{EKF}$ where non linearity refers to process dynamics
- Robot's pose prediction *correction* after the sensory observation of a landmark, whose 2 position is reported on a map: EKF based on the linearization of the observation equations using the Jacobians $H_{k\xi}$ and H_{kw} to reduce the observation equation to a linear form of the type $z_{k+1} = C_k \xi_k + w_k \rightarrow \text{EKF}$ where non linearity refers to measurement process
- Is Landmark's position estimation using robot's sensory data and known pose (map building): EKF based on the linearization of the observation equations using the Jacobians $L_{k\xi}$ and L_{kw} to reduce the observation equation to a linear form of the type $z_{k+1} = C_k \xi_k + w_k \rightarrow \text{EKF}$ where non linearity refers to measurement process
- 4 State expansion after observing a previously unseen landmark: EKF based on the linearization of the process dynamics using the Jacobian Q_{kz} to reduce the process equation to a linear form of the type $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{A}_k \boldsymbol{\xi}_k + \boldsymbol{\nu}_k \rightarrow \mathsf{EKF}$ where non linearity refers to system evolution

STATE AND OBSERVATION EQUATIONS FOR SLAM

State equation for robot motion, including also the λ in the state vector:

At each step k:
$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ y_k \\ \theta_k \\ \theta_k \\ \lambda_k^1 \\ \cdots \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_k^n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} (\Delta S_k + \nu_k^s) \cos(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2} + \nu_k^\theta) \\ (\Delta S_k + \nu_k^s) \sin(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2} + \nu_k^\theta) \\ \Delta \theta_k + \nu_k^\theta \\ \mathbf{0} \\ \cdots \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} = f_k(\boldsymbol{\xi}_k, \boldsymbol{\nu}_k; \Delta S_k, \Delta \theta_k)$$

State equation for state expansion, when a previously unseen landmark i is observed:

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k+1}^{*} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \boldsymbol{g}_{k}(\boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k} \\ \boldsymbol{x}_{k} + \rho_{k} \cos(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \\ \boldsymbol{y}_{k} + \rho_{k} \sin(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \end{bmatrix} = \boldsymbol{q}_{k}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1})$$

• Observation model, which is unchanged from the previous scenario, but now $\lambda_{kx}^i, \lambda_{ky}^i, x_k, y_k, \theta_k$ are variables, such that z_{k+1} can be seen as the overlapping of the functions $h_k()$ and $\ell_k()$ that have been considered for the localization-only and mapping-only cases before:

$$z_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{k+1}^{i} \\ \beta_{k+1}^{i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{(\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k})^{2} + (\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k})^{2}} \\ \arctan\left((\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k})/(\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k})\right) - \theta_{k} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} w_{k}^{\rho} \\ w_{k}^{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = o_{k}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k}, \boldsymbol{w}_{k})$$

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JACOBIANS

The Jacobians $F_{k\xi}$, and $F_{k\nu}$ of $f_k()$, to be evaluated in $(\xi_k = \hat{\xi}_{k|k}, \nu_k = 0)$, for the **linearization of the motion dynamics**, which is robot's motion since landmarks do not move (Jacobians are (re)computed because of the new sub-matrix $F_{k\xi_{\lambda}n}$ in the $F_{k\xi}$ Jacobian):

$$f_{kx} = x_{k} + (\Delta S_{k} + \nu_{k}^{S}) \cos(\theta_{k} + \frac{\Delta \theta_{k}}{2} + \nu_{k}^{\theta}) \\f_{ky} = y_{k} + (\Delta S_{k} + \nu_{k}^{S}) \sin(\theta_{k} + \frac{\Delta \theta_{k}}{2} + \nu_{k}^{\theta}) \\f_{ky} = y_{k} + (\Delta S_{k} + \nu_{k}^{S}) \sin(\theta_{k} + \frac{\Delta \theta_{k}}{2} + \nu_{k}^{\theta}) \\f_{k\theta} = \theta_{k} + \Delta \theta_{k} + \nu_{k}^{\theta} \implies \\f_{k\lambda^{1}} = \lambda_{k}^{1} \\\cdots \\\cdots \\f_{k\lambda^{n}} = \lambda_{k}^{n} \end{cases} \implies \left\{ \frac{\partial f_{kx}}{\partial x_{k}} \frac{\partial f_{ky}}{\partial y_{k}} \frac{\partial f_{ky}}{\partial \theta_{k}} \frac{\partial f_{ky}}{\partial \lambda_{k}^{1}} \\ \frac{\partial f_{k\theta}}{\partial \lambda_{k}} \frac{\partial f_{k\lambda}}{\partial y_{k}} \frac{\partial f_{k\theta}}{\partial \theta_{k}} \\\frac{\partial f_{k\theta}}{\partial \lambda_{k}^{1}} \\ \frac{\partial f_{k\theta}}{\partial \lambda_{k}^{1}} \\ \frac{\partial f_{k\lambda^{1}}}{\partial y_{k}} \\\frac{\partial f_{k\lambda^{1}}}{\partial \theta_{k}} \\\frac{\partial f_{k\lambda^{1}}}{\partial \lambda_{k}^{1}} \\ \frac{\partial f_{k\lambda^{1}}}{\partial \lambda_{k}^{1}} \\\frac{\partial f_{k\lambda^{1}}}}{\partial \lambda_{k}^{1}} \\\frac{\partial f_{k\lambda^{1}}}$$

JACOBIANS FOR ROBOT POSE

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$$\boldsymbol{F}_{k\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\Delta S_k \sin(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2}) \\ 0 & 1 & \Delta S_k \cos(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{\nu} = 0} \quad \boldsymbol{F}_{k\boldsymbol{\nu}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2}) & -\Delta S_k \sin(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2}) \\ \sin(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2}) & \Delta S_k \cos(\theta_k + \frac{\Delta \theta_k}{2}) \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 \\ \boldsymbol{0}_{2n \times 2} \end{bmatrix}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{\nu} = 0}$$

JACOBIANS FOR THE OBSERVATION MODELS (LOCALIZATION AND MAPPING)

The Jacobians $O_{k\xi}$ and O_{kw} of $o_k()$ for the linearization of the observation model for both localization and mapping, to be evaluated in $(\xi_k = \hat{\xi}_{k+1|k}, w_k = 0)$. The Jacobians are derived from the combination of the Jacobians $H_{k\xi}$ and $L_{k\xi}$ computed for the localization-only and mapping-only cases:

$$o_{k\rho} = \sqrt{(\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k})^{2} + (\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k})^{2}} + w_{k}^{\rho} \qquad \mathbf{O}_{k}(x_{k}, y_{k}, \theta_{k}, \mathbf{\lambda}_{k}, w_{k}^{\rho}, w_{k}^{\beta}) = [\nabla h_{k\rho} \quad \nabla h_{k\beta}]^{T}$$

$$o_{k\beta} = \arctan\left((\lambda_{yx}^{i} - y_{k})/(\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k})\right) - \theta_{k} + w_{k}^{\beta}$$

$$\boldsymbol{O}_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial x_{k}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial y_{k}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial \theta_{k}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{n}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{n}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial w_{k}^{\rho}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\rho}}{\partial w_{k}^{\rho}} \\ \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial x_{k}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial y_{k}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial \theta_{k}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{1}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial \lambda_{kx}^{n}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial \lambda_{ky}^{n}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial w_{k}^{\rho}} & \frac{\partial o_{k\beta}}{\partial w_{k}^{\rho}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}_{R}} & \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\lambda}^{n}} & \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{w}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{O}_{k\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k}}{r_{k}^{i}} & -\frac{\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k}}{r_{k}^{i}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \frac{\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k}}{r_{k}^{i}} & \frac{\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k}}{r_{k}^{i}} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k}}{(r_{k}^{i})^{2}} & -\frac{\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k}}{(r_{k}^{i})^{2}} & -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -\frac{\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k}}{(r_{k}^{i})^{2}} & \frac{\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k}}{(r_{k}^{i})^{2}} & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{w}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\boldsymbol{r}_{k}^{i} = \sqrt{(\lambda_{kx}^{i} - x_{k})^{2} + (\lambda_{ky}^{i} - y_{k})^{2}}, \quad \boldsymbol{O}_{k\xi} \text{ is sparse: } \boldsymbol{O}_{k\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{k\xi_{R}} & \boldsymbol{0} & \dots & \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{L}_{k\xi_{\lambda^{i}}} & \boldsymbol{0} & \dots & \boldsymbol{0} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

JACOBIANS FOR LANDMARK STATE EXPANSION

$$\boldsymbol{q}_{k}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}, \boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k} \\ \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}_{k}, \boldsymbol{y}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{k|k} \\ \boldsymbol{x}_{k} + \rho_{k} \cos(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \\ \boldsymbol{y}_{k} + \rho_{k} \sin(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{kx}^{1} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{ky}^{2} \\ \cdots \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{kx}^{i-1} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{ky}^{i-1} \\ \boldsymbol{g}_{k}^{k} \\ \boldsymbol{g}_{k}^{k} \end{bmatrix}$$

The Jacobian $Q_{k\xi}$ of $q_k()$ for the linearization of the state dynamics when a new landmark is observed (state expansion with landmark initialization); $Q_{k\xi}$ is obtained as in the mapping-only case + the fact that now $G_{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} G_{\xi_R} & G_{\xi_\lambda} \end{bmatrix}$ is non-zero since ξ_R is part of the state vector, making $G_{\xi_R} \neq 0$:

$$\mathbf{Q}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{(3+2n)\times(3+2n)} & \mathbf{0}_{(3+2n)\times2} \\ \mathbf{G}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}_R} & \mathbf{0}_{2\times2n} & \mathbf{G}_Z \end{bmatrix}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{z}_k, \boldsymbol{w}=0}$$

 $\boldsymbol{G}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}_{R}} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{g}_{k}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\xi}_{R}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\rho_{k} \sin(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \\ 0 & 1 & \rho_{k} \cos(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \end{bmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{G}_{Z} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{g}_{k}}{\partial Z} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) & -\rho_{k} \sin(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \\ \sin(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) & \rho_{k} \cos(\theta_{k} + \beta_{k}) \end{bmatrix}$

EKF EQUATIONS FOR SLAM

The SLAM EKF equations:

$$\underbrace{At \text{ every time step } k:}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k+1|k} = \boldsymbol{f}_{k}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{0}; \Delta S_{k}, \Delta \theta_{k})}_{P_{k+1|k} = \boldsymbol{F}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} P_{k} \boldsymbol{F}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{T} + \boldsymbol{F}_{k\boldsymbol{\nu}} \boldsymbol{V}_{k} \boldsymbol{F}_{k\boldsymbol{\nu}}^{T} \qquad P_{k+1|k}^{*} = \boldsymbol{q}_{k}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k|k}, \boldsymbol{z}_{k+1})}_{Q_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}}} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{q}_{k|k} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{W}_{k} \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{q}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{T}$$

$$\underbrace{At \text{ every time step } k + 1 \text{ a landmark } i \text{ is observed}}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k+1|k} + \boldsymbol{G}_{k+1}(\boldsymbol{z}_{k+1} - \boldsymbol{o}_{k}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{k+1|k}, \boldsymbol{0}))}_{P_{k+1} = P_{k+1|k}} - \boldsymbol{G}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} P_{k+1|k}}_{Q_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{Q}_{k+1|k}} \underbrace{G_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{P}_{k+1|k} - \boldsymbol{G}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} P_{k+1|k}}_{S_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} P_{k+1|k}} \underbrace{G_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} P_{k+1|k} - \boldsymbol{O}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} P_{k+1|k}}_{S_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}} P_{k+1|k} \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{T} + \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{w}} W_{k+1} \boldsymbol{O}_{k\boldsymbol{w}}^{T}}$$

The Kalman gain matrix G multiplies innovation from the landmark observation, a 2-vector, so as to update every element of the state vector: the pose of the vehicle and the position of every map feature.

SLAM PERFORMANCE IN SIMULATION



COVARIANCE VS. TIME

