

Random Signals and Filtering (201200135)

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Final Exam (with 4 questions)

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This is a closed book exam. Formulate your answers clearly, with proper motivation.
Present your answers in a well-structured manner.

1. Suppose $\Omega = [0, \infty)$. Consider a function \mathcal{P} , defined on (Borel) subsets of Ω , satisfying:

$$\mathcal{P}([n, n+1)) = \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{P}([n, n+1]) = \frac{3}{2^{n+2}}, \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- a) Analyze if \mathcal{P} can satisfy all the axioms of a probability measure. [3]
- b) Suppose \mathcal{P} does satisfy all the axioms, and let $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ be the set of natural numbers. Calculate $\mathcal{P}(\Omega \setminus \mathbb{N})$. [2]
2. a) Suppose X is a square integrable r.v., i.e., $E(X^2) < \infty$. Recall that $E(X|Y)$ can be thought of as the projection of X onto \mathcal{V} , the space of square integrable (Borel) functions of Y .

Consider square integrable r.v.s U, V and W , where U is independent of V and W . Use the *Projection Theorem* to show that $E(UV|W) = E(U)E(V|W)$. [3]

- ✓ b) Consider the following nonlinear system: for $k \geq 0$,

$$X_{k+1} = X_k \sqrt{W_k} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_k = \sqrt{X_k} V_k,$$

where the initial state X_0 , and the noises W_k, V_k , for $k \geq 0$, are all Uniform(0, 1). Furthermore, $X_0, \{W_k\}$, and $\{V_k\}$ are mutually independent and the noise sequences $\{W_k\}$ and $\{V_k\}$ are white.

Note that there is an observation Y_0 at $t = 0$! In the following, you will obtain the first “filtered” estimate \hat{X}_0 and the next “predicted” estimate $\hat{X}_{1|0}$.

- ✓ (i.) Show that the pdf of Y_0 and the posterior pdf of X_0 (conditional on $Y_0 = y_0$) are given by

$$p_{Y_0}(y_0) = 2(1 - y_0), \quad \text{for } y_0 \in (0, 1) \quad (\text{and } 0, \text{ otherwise.})$$

$$p(x_0|y_0) = \begin{cases} \text{undefined,} & \text{if } y_0 \notin (0, 1) \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x_0(1-y_0)}}, & \text{for } y_0^2 \leq x_0 \leq 1, \text{ provided } y_0 \in (0, 1), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Determine, also, $\hat{X}_0 := E(X_0|Y_0)$. [2+2+2]

- ✓ (ii.) Use part (a), to determine $\hat{X}_{1|0} := E(X_1|Y_0)$. [2]

3. a) What is meant by linear innovations ^{different!} corresponding to a sequence of measurements Y_0, Y_1, \dots, Y_n ? Show that any two linear innovations are uncorrelated. [3]
- b) Consider the real-valued nonlinear system in Question 4, with $\sigma_0 = \sigma_s = \sigma_m = 1$. Obtain the first two linear innovations for the sequence of measurements generated by the system. [3]

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Hint: Use different properties of covariance and the following facts.} \\ \text{For } Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1), E(Z^4) = 3 \text{ and } E(Z^6) = 15. \\ \text{Also, } E_{\text{aff}}(X | Y) = E(X) + \text{Cov}(X, Y) \text{Cov}(Y)^{-1} (Y - E(Y)). \end{array} \right]$$

4. Consider the following (real-valued) nonlinear system: for $k \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} X_{k+1} &= X_k^2 + \xi_k \\ Y_k &= X_k^2 + V_k, \end{aligned}$$

where the initial state $X_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_0^2)$, and for $k \geq 0$, the state noises $\xi_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_s^2)$ and the measurement noises $V_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$. Furthermore, X_0 , $\{\xi_k\}$, and $\{V_k\}$ are mutually independent and the noise sequences $\{\xi_k\}$ and $\{V_k\}$ are white.

Note that there is an observation Y_0 at $t = 0$!

- a) Suppose we would like to implement a particle filter (PF) to the system with the importance density $\pi(x_k; x_{k-1}, y_k) = p(x_k | x_{k-1})$. Give the pseudo code for a generic iteration step of the particle filter. [4]

More precisely, describe how you will use $\{(x_{k-1}^i, w_{k-1}^i), i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$, the weighted particle representation of the posterior at time $(k-1)$, and the measurement y_k at current time k , to obtain the particle representation of the current posterior: $\{(x_k^i, w_k^i), i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$.

The code should be self explanatory, i.e., in terms of known/standard functions or known structures like `if` and `for` loop. You may assume that you have access to the following commands.

`NormPDF(x, m, s)` that evaluates the $\mathcal{N}(m, s^2)$ -density at the point x

`RandNorm(m, s)` that generates a sample from a $\mathcal{N}(m, s^2)$ -r.v.

`RandPMF(x_vec, p_vec, n)` that produces a random sample of size "n" from the discrete distribution with values "x_vec" and corresponding probabilities "p_vec".

- b) How will you extract the posterior mean $E(X_k | Y_{0:k} = y_{0:k})$ and the posterior variance $\text{Var}(X_k | Y_{0:k} = y_{0:k})$ from the particle representation? [2]
- c) Often, one considers other importance/proposal densities than the standard one used in above, i.e., the state-transition density $p(x_k | x_{k-1})$. What are the advantages and disadvantages of the standard proposal? [2]