

Dynamic Systems Theory - State-space Linear Systems

Kushal Prasad

December 6, 2012

Let $w(t)$ be a sample of a Wiener process. The Ito stochastic integral

$$\int_a^b b(t) dw = \lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} b(t_i)(w(t_{i+1}) - w(t_i))$$
$$\rho = \max_i |t_{i+1} - t_i|$$

Properties :

1. $E(\int_a^b b(t) dw) = 0$
2. $E(\int_a^b f(t) dw \cdot \int_a^b g(t) dw) = \int_a^b E(f(t)g(t)) dt$

We write,

$$dx = f(x, t) dt + g(x, t) dw \quad (*)$$

as a proxy for

$$\dot{x} = f(x, t) + g(x, t)\dot{w}$$

What (*) really means is,

$$x_t - x_o = \int_0^t f(x, \tau) d\tau + \int_0^t g(x, \tau) dw \quad (**)$$

↑ This is obtained by our
non-anticipating limiting process

ITO's Lemma : Let $x(t)$ be the unique solution of the vector Ito stochastic differential equation

$$dx = f(x, t) dt + g(x, t) dw \quad (*)$$

where x and f are n -vectors, $g(\cdot, \cdot)$ is an $m \times m$ matrix and $w(t)$ is an m -dimensional Wiener with

$$E(w(t) w(t)^T) = Q \cdot t$$

Let $Q(x, t)$ be a scalar real valued function continuously differentiable in t and having continuous second partial derivatives in x . Then the stochastic differential dQ of Q is,

$$dQ = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} dt + \frac{\partial \phi^T}{\partial x} dx + \frac{1}{2} tr(gQ_g \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2}) dt,$$

where dx is defined by (*), and

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} & \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_n^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Example :

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B\dot{w} \text{ or more formally and correctly,} \\ dx = Ax dt + B dw$$

Compute the second moment,

$$d(x x^T) = x dx^T + dx x^T + (??) dt$$

The $i - j^{th}$ element of $x x^T$ is $x_i x_j = \phi$

The ITO correction term for this entry is,

$$\frac{1}{2} tr(BQB^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ & & 1 & \\ & 1 & & \\ 0 & \cdots & & 0 \end{pmatrix}) dt$$

↑ zero's everywhere except 1's in $i - j^{th}$
& $j - i^{th}$ positions

$$= i - j^{th} \text{ element of } BQB^T dt$$

$$d(x x^T) = x x^T A^T dt + x dw^T B^T + A x x^T dt + B dw x^T + BQB^T dt$$

Taking expectations and writing $\sum_o(t) = E(x(t)x(t)^T)$

$$d\sum_o = \sum_o A^T dt + A \sum_o dt + BQB^T dt$$

↓ this is an ordinary differential equation

$$\dot{\sum}_o = A \sum_o + \sum_o A^T + BQB^T$$

This may be solved by the matrix variation of constants formula,

$$\sum_o(t) = \exp^{At} \sum_o(0) \exp^{A^T t} + \int_0^t \exp^{A(t-\sigma)} BQB^T \exp^{A^T(t-\sigma)} d\sigma$$

Problem addressed by Kalman and Bucy was to find an optimal state estimate of

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bu + F\dot{w} \\ y &= Cx + \dot{v}\end{aligned}$$

Path to the solution: Find the optimal m.s.-estimate among linear observers

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A\hat{x} + BU + K(y - C\hat{x})$$

Let $e = x - \hat{x}$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{e} &= Ax + BU + F\dot{w} - A\hat{x} - Bu - K(y - C\hat{x}) \\ &= (A - KC)e + F\dot{w} - K\dot{v}\end{aligned}$$

$$d(ee^T) = de e^T + e de^T + L dt$$

where, $L = \text{variance of } \xi = F\dot{w} - K\dot{v}$

$$\begin{aligned}E((F\dot{w} - K\dot{v})(F\dot{w} - K\dot{v})^T) \\ = FQF^T + KRK^T\end{aligned}$$

where $Q = E(\dot{w}\dot{w}^T)$, $R = E(\dot{v}\dot{v}^T)$
and we assume \dot{w}, \dot{v} are uncorrelated.

$$d(ee^T) = (A - KC)ee^T dt + ee^T(A - KC)^T dt + B dw e^T + e dw^T B^T + FQF^T dt + KRK^T dt$$

Taking expectations of both sides, writing $\sum_{ee}(t) = E(ee^T)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \sum_{ee}(t) = A_K \sum_{ee}(t) + \sum_{ee}(t) A_K^T + FQF^T + KRK^T$$

where $A_K = A - KC$. We wish to find the gain matrix K that minimizes the m.s.-error $\sum_{ee}(t)$ at each time t_1 .

What it means for one symmetric matrix to be less than another:

$$P \leq Q \Leftrightarrow x^T P x \leq x^T Q x \quad \text{for all } x.$$

Let $\sum_{ee}^o(t)$ be the optimal error variance. Then writing

$$P = \sum_{ee}(t) - \sum_{ee}^o(t) \text{ where } \sum_{ee}(t) \text{ error for a nominal gain } K(t).$$

The P satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{P} &= \dot{\sum} - \dot{\sum}^o \\ &= (A - KC) \sum + \sum (A - KC)^T + FQF^T + KRK^T - (A - K^o C) \sum^o -\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum(A - K^o C)^T - FQF^T - KRK^{oT} \\
&= (A - KC)P + P(A - KC)^T + (K^o - K)R(K^o - K)^T + (K^o - K)(C\sum^o - RK^{oT}) + \\
&\quad (\sum^o C^T - K^o R)(K^o - K)^T \\
&= (A - KC)P + P(A - KC)^T + L \\
&\text{where } L = (K^o - K)R(K^o - K)^T + (K^o - K)(C\sum^o - RK^{oT}) + \\
&\quad (\sum^o C^T - K^o R)(K^o - K)^T
\end{aligned}$$

The solution to this equation is

$$P(t) = \Phi_{A_C}(t, 0)P_0\Phi_{A_C}(t, 0)^T + \int_0^t \Phi_{A_C}(t, s)L\Phi_{A_C}(t, s)^T ds$$

We assume $P_0 = \sum_{ee}(0) - \sum_{oe}^o(0) = 0$.

$P(t)$ will be positive semi-definite precisely when L is positive semi-definite. In order for L to be positive semi-definite for choices of nominal gain K , we must have,

$$\sum^o C^T - K^o R = 0$$

Thus the optimal gain is

$$K^o = \sum_{ee}^o(t)C^T R^{-1}$$

Let's verify that this 'Kalman gain' is optimal.

First note $\sum^o(t)$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{\sum}^o &= A_K \sum^o + \sum^o A_K^T + FQF^T + K^o R K^{oT} \\
&\text{where } A_K = A - K^o C, K^o = \sum^o C^T R^{-1} \\
\dot{\sum}^o &= (A - \sum^o C^T R^{-1} C) \sum^o + \sum^o (A^T - C^T R^{-1} C \sum^o) + \\
&\quad FQF^T + \sum^o C^T R^{-1} C \sum^o \\
&= A \sum^o + \sum^o A^T + FQF^T - \sum^o C^T R^{-1} C \sum^o
\end{aligned}$$

Using this equation for the optimal error we rewrite the equation for

$$\begin{aligned}
P &= \sum_{ee} - \sum_{ee}^o \\
\dot{P} &= A(KC) \sum_{ee} + \sum_{ee}(A - KC)^T + FQF^T + KRK^T - S \sum^o - \sum^o A^T \\
&\quad - FQF^T + \sum^o C^T R^{-1} C \sum^o \\
&= AP + PA^T + KRK_K^T C \sum^o - \sum^o C^T K^T + \sum^o \\
&= AP + PA^T + \underbrace{(K - \sum^o C^T R^{-1})R(K - \sum^o C^T R^{-1})^T}_L
\end{aligned}$$

$$P(t) = \int_0^T \Phi_A(t, s) L(s) \Phi_A^T(t, s) ds$$

This is positive semi definite and $= 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$$K - \sum^o C^T R^{-1} = 0 \quad \text{This shows}$$

$$\sum_{ee}(t) \geq \sum^o(t)$$

with equality holding $\Leftrightarrow K = \sum^o C^T R^{-1}$.

SUMMARY : Given the finite dimensional linear system,

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu + F\dot{w}$$

$$y = Cx + v$$

\dot{w} is Gaussian white noise $N(O, Q)$

\dot{v} is Gaussian white noise $N(O, R)$

\dot{w}, \dot{v} uncorrelated

The mean-squared optimal observer is

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = (A - \sum^o(t) C^T R^{-1} C) \hat{x} + Bu + \sum^o C^T R^{-1} y$$

$$\hat{x}(0) = E(x_0) = \bar{x}_0$$

with $\sum^o(t)$ given as the solution of

$$\dot{\sum}^o(t) = A \sum^o + \sum^o A^T + F Q F^T - \sum^o C^T R^{-1} C \sum^o$$

$$\sum^o(0) = E((x_0 - \bar{x}_0)(x_0 - \bar{x}_0)^T)$$