# Adaptive Kernel Kalman Filter

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### Novelties

Explore the potential of kernel idea within full model - based Bayesian filters

Introduce the adaptive kernel Kalman filter (AKKF).

- Model based Bayesian filter
- DSM information are used to calculate the update kernel rules in an adaptive manner
- Prediction and posterior distributions are embedded into a kernel feature space
- Avoid the problematic resampling in most PFs
- Reduce the sample complexity

#### Outline

#### Background

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**D**Adaptive Kernel Kalman Filter

□Simulation Results

Conclusions

#### Background – Non-linear/non-Gaussian estimation

Dynamic state-space model (DSM)

- Transition model:  $\mathbf{x}_n = f(\mathbf{x}_{n-1}, \mathbf{u}_n)$
- Measurement model:  $\mathbf{y}_n = h(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{v}_n)$

Sequential Bayesian rule

• Prediction: 
$$p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mathbf{y}_{1:n}) = \int p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mathbf{x}_{n-1}) p(\mathbf{x}_{n-1} | \mathbf{y}_{1:n-1}) d\mathbf{x}_{n-1}$$

• Update:  $p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mathbf{y}_{1:n}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{x}_n) p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mathbf{y}_{1:n-1})}{p(\mathbf{y}_n | \mathbf{y}_{1:n-1})}$ 

□ Two families of sequential Bayesian filters

• Model-driven filters: DSM is given explicitly,

e.g., Kalman Filter (KF), Unscented Kalman Filter (UKF), Particle Filter (PF)

• Data-driven filters: DSM is unknown or partially known while the training data set is provided

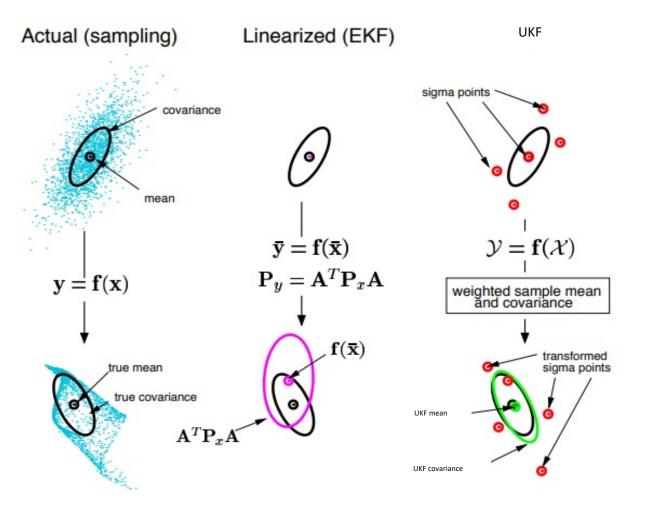
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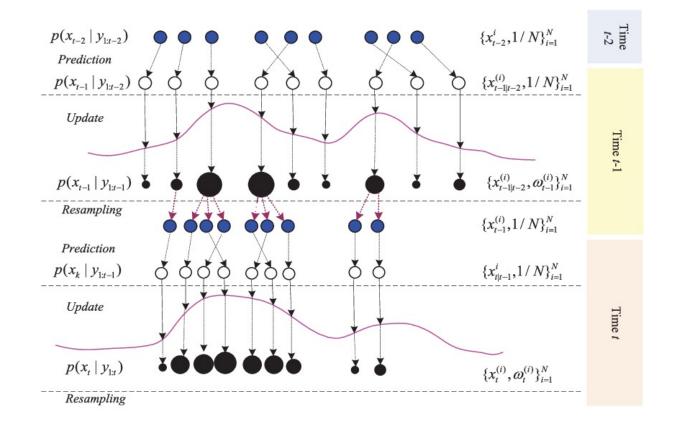
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□Bootstrap particle filter (PF)

**Resampling** is a necessary step

- Increase complexity
- Hard to parallelize



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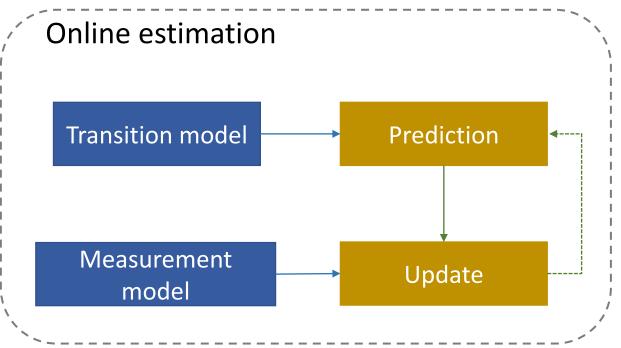
DSMs are unknown or partially known, need to be inferred from prior training data

#### **Existing methods**

- Training data
- Off-line training to learn the unknown transition/measurement models

#### **The performance limits**

- Difficult to incorporate theoretical DSM models
- Problems occur if target moves outside space defined by training data



## Preliminaries – Kernel mean embedding (KME)

Reproducing kernel Hilbert space (RKHS):

- High dimensional kernel feature space, finite/infinite space
- State point x is mapped into RKHS through a non-linear feature mapping  $\phi(x)$
- The kernel embedding approach represents a probability distribution by an element in the RKHS

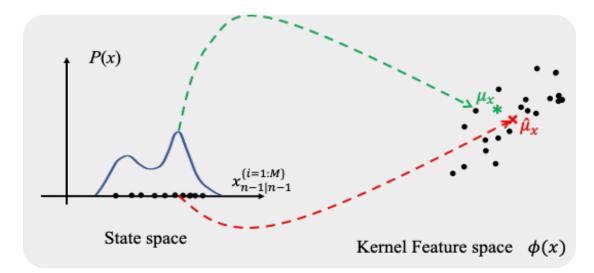
$$\mu_X \stackrel{\text{\tiny def}}{=} \mathbb{E}_X[\phi(X)] = \int \phi(x) dP(x)$$

Empirical kernel estimator, given a sample set

 $\mu_X = \sum_{i=1}^M w_i \phi(x_i) = \Phi \mathbf{w}$ 

• If  $x_i$  are drawn from P(x),  $w_i = 1/M$ .

In general, kernel weights are non-uniform, positive/negative, c.f. UKF



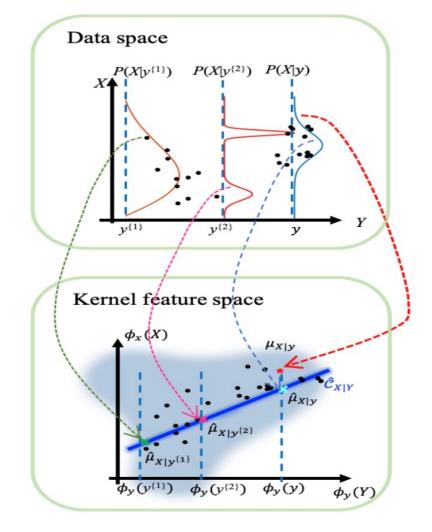
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- The KME approach represents a conditional distribution P(X|y) by an element in the RKHS  $\mu_{X|y} := \mathbb{E}_{X|y} [\phi_x(X)] = \int_X \phi_x(x) dP(x|y).$
- $\Box$  By defining the conditional operator  $C_{X|Y}$  as the linear operator

$$\mu_{X|y} = C_{X|Y}\phi_y(y) = C_{XY}(C_{YY} + \lambda I)^{-1}\phi_y(y).$$

Empirical kernel estimator: The estimate of the  $C_{X|Y}$  is obtained as a linear regression in the RKHS  $\hat{\mu}_{X|y} = \hat{C}_{X|Y}\phi_y(y) = \Phi (G_{YY} + \lambda I)^{-1} \Upsilon^T \phi_y(y) = \Phi \mathbf{w},$  $\mathbf{w} = (G_{YY} + \lambda I)^{-1} G_{:,y}.$ 

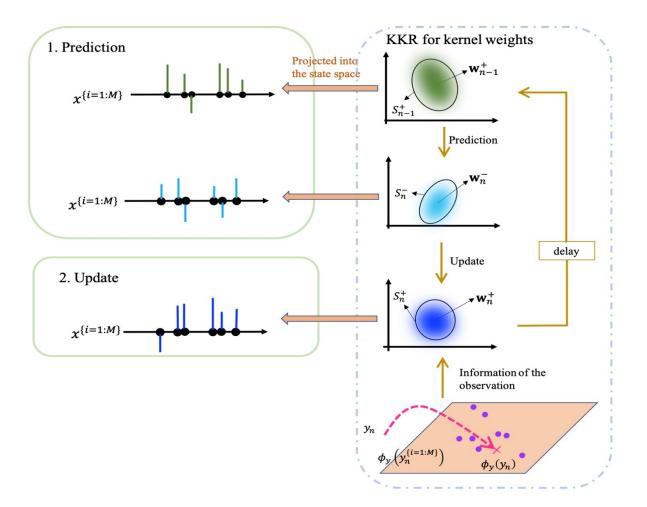
Non-uniform weights, positive/negative, different from PFs



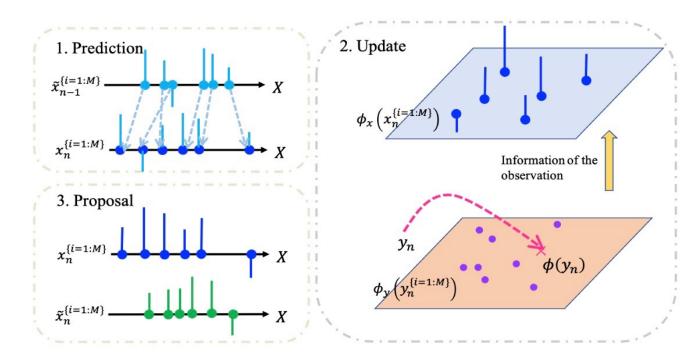
### Preliminaries – Kernel Kalman filter (KKF)

□ Non-linear estimation in data space

- -> Linear way in kernel feature space
- Execute conventional KF in kernel feature space
- Predict and update the kernel weight mean and covariance
- Relying on the training data set



- Executed in both the data state space and kernel feature space
  - The particles are propagated and updated in the data space based on the DSM (similar to UKF & PF)
  - Kernel weight mean and covariance are predicted and updated in the kernel feature space (similar to KKF way)
- Three main steps: prediction, update, proposal



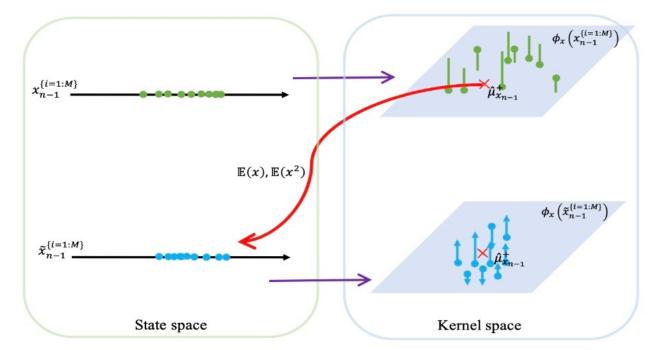
□ Embedding the Posterior Distribution at time *n*-1

 $\hat{\mu}_{x_{n-1}}^{+} = \Phi_{n-1} \mathbf{w}_{n-1}^{+},$  $\hat{C}_{x_{n-1}x_{n-1}}^{+} = \Phi_{n-1} S_{n-1}^{+} \Phi_{n-1}^{\mathrm{T}}.$ 

 Generated proposal particles to capture the diversity of the non-linearity (c.f. sigma points generation)

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\tilde{x}_{n-1}^{\{i=1:M\}} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbb{E}\left(x_{n-1}\right), \operatorname{Var}\left(x_{n-1}\right)\right),
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- For convenience, draw from Gaussian distribution
- Note, due to weighting, this is **not** a Gaussian approximation
- Instead, adaptive change of kernel spaces



□ Prediction from Time n-1 to Time n

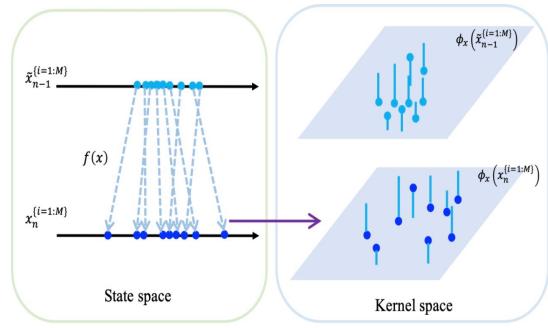
(predict step of KF)

- Predictive particles: propagate proposal particles through the transition function
- New Kernel space  $\Phi_n$
- Empirical Predictive KME by calculating conditional operator

 $p(x_n|x_{n-1}) \mapsto \hat{\mu}_{x_n}^- = \Phi_n \mathbf{w}_n^- = \hat{C}_{x_n|x_{n-1}} \hat{\mu}_{x_{n-1}}^+,$ 

• Predictive kernel weight mean and covariance

$$\mathbf{w}_n^- = \left(K_{\tilde{x}\tilde{x}} + \lambda_{\tilde{K}}I\right)^{-1} K_{\tilde{x}x}\mathbf{w}_{n-1}^+ = \Gamma_{n-1}\mathbf{w}_{n-1}^+,$$
$$S_n^- = \tilde{S}_{n-1}^+ + V_n.$$



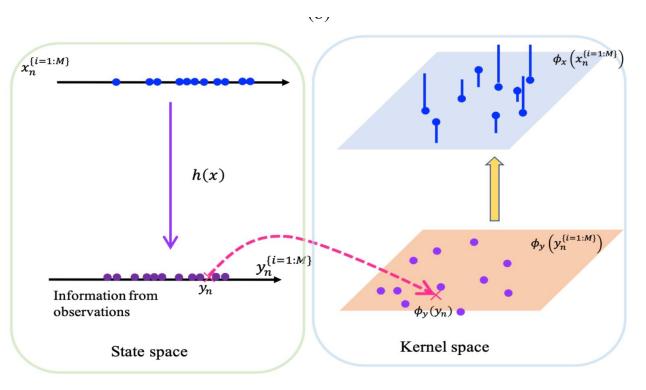
Update at Time *n* (correct step of KF)

- Observation particles
  - $y_n^{\{i\}} = g(x_n^{\{i\}}, v_n^{\{i\}}),$
- Kernel Kalman gain calculation

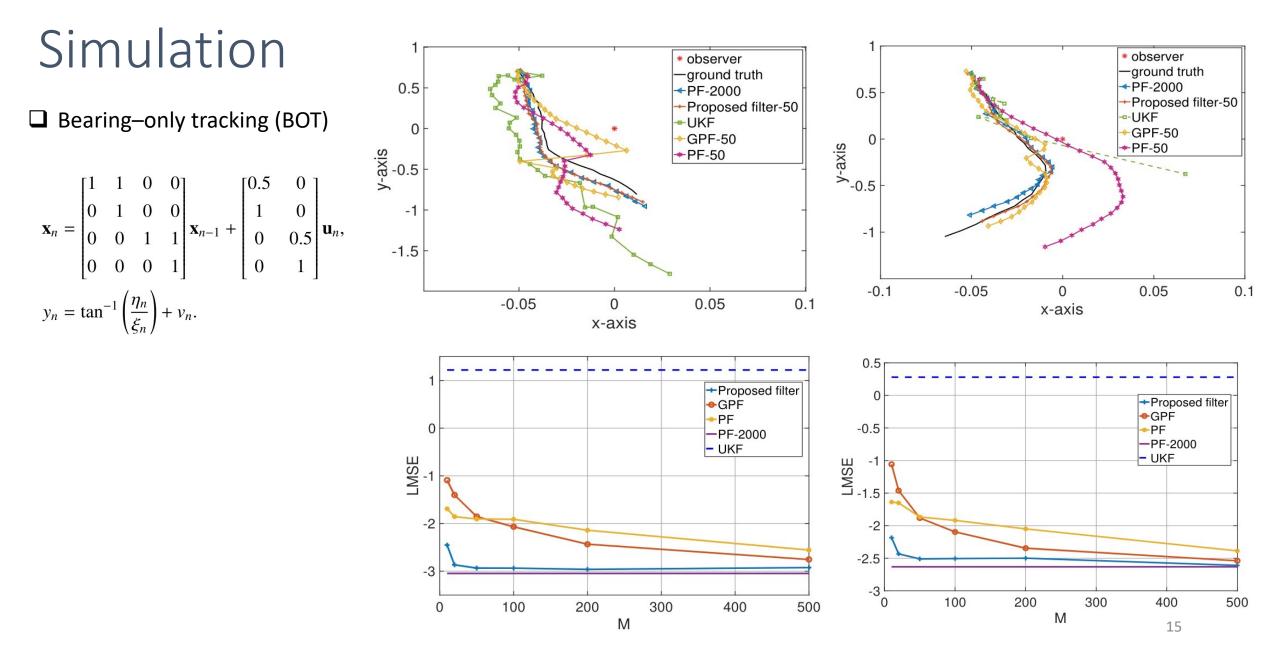
$$\hat{\mu}_{x_n}^{+} = \hat{\mu}_{x_n}^{-} + Q_n \left[ \phi_y(y_n) - \hat{C}_{y_n | x_n} \hat{\mu}_{x_n}^{-} \right], \\ \hat{C}_{x_n x_n}^{+} = \operatorname{cov}(\phi_x(x_n) - \hat{\mu}_{x_n}^{+}).$$

• Update kernel weight mean and covariance

$$\mathbf{w}_{n}^{+} = \mathbf{w}_{n}^{-} + Q_{n} \left( G_{:,y_{n}} - G_{yy} \mathbf{w}_{n}^{-} \right),$$
  
$$S_{n}^{+} = S_{n}^{-} - Q_{n} G_{yy} S_{n}^{-}.$$



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### Conclusion

#### Summary

- Kernel mean embedding: Solve Non-linear estimation in high dimensional kernel space using linear ways
- AKKF: apply KF into kernel spaces with adaptively updated particles & kernel spaces

#### Advantages

- Nonlinear, non-Gaussian filter for Bayesian tracking
  - Incorporation of theoretical models
- Lower computation complexity
  - Remove resample
  - Smaller particle number requirement

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