Velocity Motion Model (cont)

center of circle

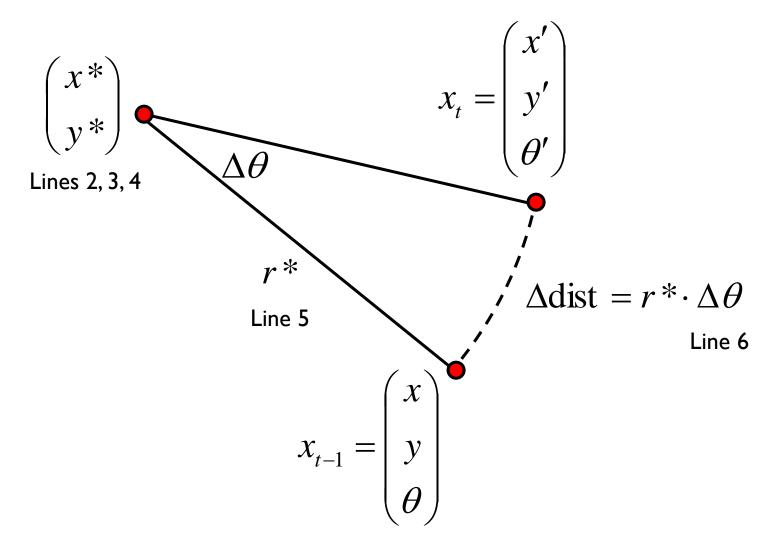
$$\begin{pmatrix} x^* \\ y^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda \sin \theta \\ \lambda \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x+x'}{2} + \mu(y-y') \\ \frac{y+y'}{2} + \mu(x'-x) \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-x')\cos\theta + (y-y')\sin\theta}{(y-y')\cos\theta - (x-x')\sin\theta}$$

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Algorithm motion_model_velocity(x_t, u_t, x_{t-1}):
1:
                        \mu = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(x - x')\cos\theta + (y - y')\sin\theta}{(y - y')\cos\theta - (x - x')\sin\theta}
2:
                        x^* = \frac{x + x'}{2} + \mu(y - y')
3:
                        y^* = \frac{y + y'}{2} + \mu(x' - x)
4:
                        r^* = \sqrt{(x - x^*)^2 + (y - y^*)^2}
5:
                         \Delta\theta = \text{atan2}(y' - y^*, x' - x^*) - \text{atan2}(y - y^*, x - x^*)
6:
                        \hat{v} = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t} r^*
                        \hat{\omega} = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t}
8:
                        \hat{\gamma} = \frac{\theta' - \theta}{\Delta t} - \hat{\omega}
9:
                         return \operatorname{prob}(v-\hat{v},\alpha_1 \ v^2+\alpha_2 \ \omega^2) \ \cdot \ \operatorname{prob}(\omega-\hat{\omega},\alpha_3 \ v^2+\alpha_4 \ \omega^2)
10:
                                        \cdot \mathbf{prob}(\hat{\gamma}, \alpha_5 \ v^2 + \alpha_6 \ \omega^2)
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rotation of $\Delta\theta$ about (x^*, y^*) from (x, y) to (x', y') in time Δt



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• given $\Delta\theta$ and $\Delta dist$ we can compute the velocities needed to generate the motion

$$\hat{u}_{t} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v}_{t} \\ \hat{\omega}_{t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \text{dist } / \Delta t \\ \Delta \theta / \Delta t \end{pmatrix}$$
 Steps 7, 8

- notice what the algorithm has done
 - it has used an inverse motion model to compute the control vector that would be needed to produce the motion from x_{t-1} to x_t
 - in general, the computed control vector will be different from the actual control vector \boldsymbol{u}_t

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recall that we want the posterior conditional density

$$p(x_t \mid u_t, x_{t-1})$$

of the control action u_t carrying the robot from pose $x_{t\text{-}1}$ to x_t in time Δt

- > so far the algorithm has computed the required control action \hat{u}_t needed to carry the robot from position $(x \ y)$ to position $(x' \ y')$
 - the control action has been computed assuming the robot moves on a circular arc

the computed heading of the robot is

$$\hat{\theta} = \theta + \Delta \theta$$

the heading should be

 θ'

the difference is

$$\theta_{\text{err}} = \theta' - \hat{\theta}$$

$$= \theta' - \theta - \Delta \theta$$

or expressed as an angular velocity

$$\gamma_{\text{err}} = \frac{\theta_{\text{err}}}{\Delta t}$$
$$= \frac{\theta' - \theta}{\Delta t} - \hat{\omega}$$

Line 9, Eq 5.25, 5.28

similarly, we can compute the errors of the computed linear and rotational velocities

$$v_{\text{err}} = v - \hat{v}$$
$$= \frac{\Delta \text{dist}}{\Delta t}$$

$$\omega_{\text{err}} = \omega - \hat{\omega}$$
$$= \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t}$$

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if we assume that the robot has independent control over its controlled linear and angular velocities then the joint density of the errors is

$$p(v_{\text{err}}, \omega_{\text{err}}, \gamma_{\text{err}}) = p(v_{\text{err}}) p(\omega_{\text{err}}) p(\gamma_{\text{err}})$$

what do the individual densities look like?

the most common noise model is additive zero-mean noise, i.e.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{v} \\ \hat{\omega} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v \\ \omega \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} v_{\text{noise}} \\ \omega_{\text{noise}} \end{pmatrix}$$
actual commanded noise velocity velocity

we need to decide on other characteristics of the noises

- "spread" variance
- "skew" skew
- "peakedness" kurtosis
- typically, only the variance is specified
 - the true variance is typically unknown

the textbook assumes that the variances can be modeled as

$$var(v_{\text{noise}}) = \alpha_1 v^2 + \alpha_2 \omega^2$$

$$var(\omega_{\text{noise}}) = \alpha_3 v^2 + \alpha_4 \omega^2$$
Eq 5.10

where the α_i are robot specific error parameters

lacktriangle the less accurate the robot the larger the $lpha_i$

- a robot travelling on a circular arc has no independent control over its heading
 - the heading must be tangent to the arc

$$\theta' = \theta + \hat{\omega} \Delta t$$

- \blacktriangleright this is problematic if you have a noisy commanded angular velocity ϖ
- thus, we assume that the final heading is actually given by

$$\theta' = \theta + \hat{\omega} \Delta t + \hat{\gamma} \Delta t$$
 Eq 5.14

where $\hat{\gamma}$ is the angular velocity of the robot spinning in place

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the book assumes that

$$\hat{\gamma} = 0 + \gamma_{
m noise}$$
 actual velocity

where

$$var(\gamma_{\text{noise}}) = \alpha_5 v^2 + \alpha_6 \omega^2 \qquad \text{Eq 5.15}$$

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