

Motion Models (cont)

Computing the Density

► to compute

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{prob}(v - \hat{v}, \alpha_1 v^2 + \alpha_2 \omega^2), \\ &\text{prob}(\omega - \hat{\omega}, \alpha_3 v^2 + \alpha_4 \omega^2), \text{ and} \\ &\text{prob}(\hat{\gamma}, \alpha_5 v^2 + \alpha_6 \omega^2) \end{aligned}$$

use the appropriate probability density function; i.e., for zero-mean Gaussian noise:

$$\text{prob}(a, b^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi b^2}} e^{-\frac{1a^2}{2b^2}}$$

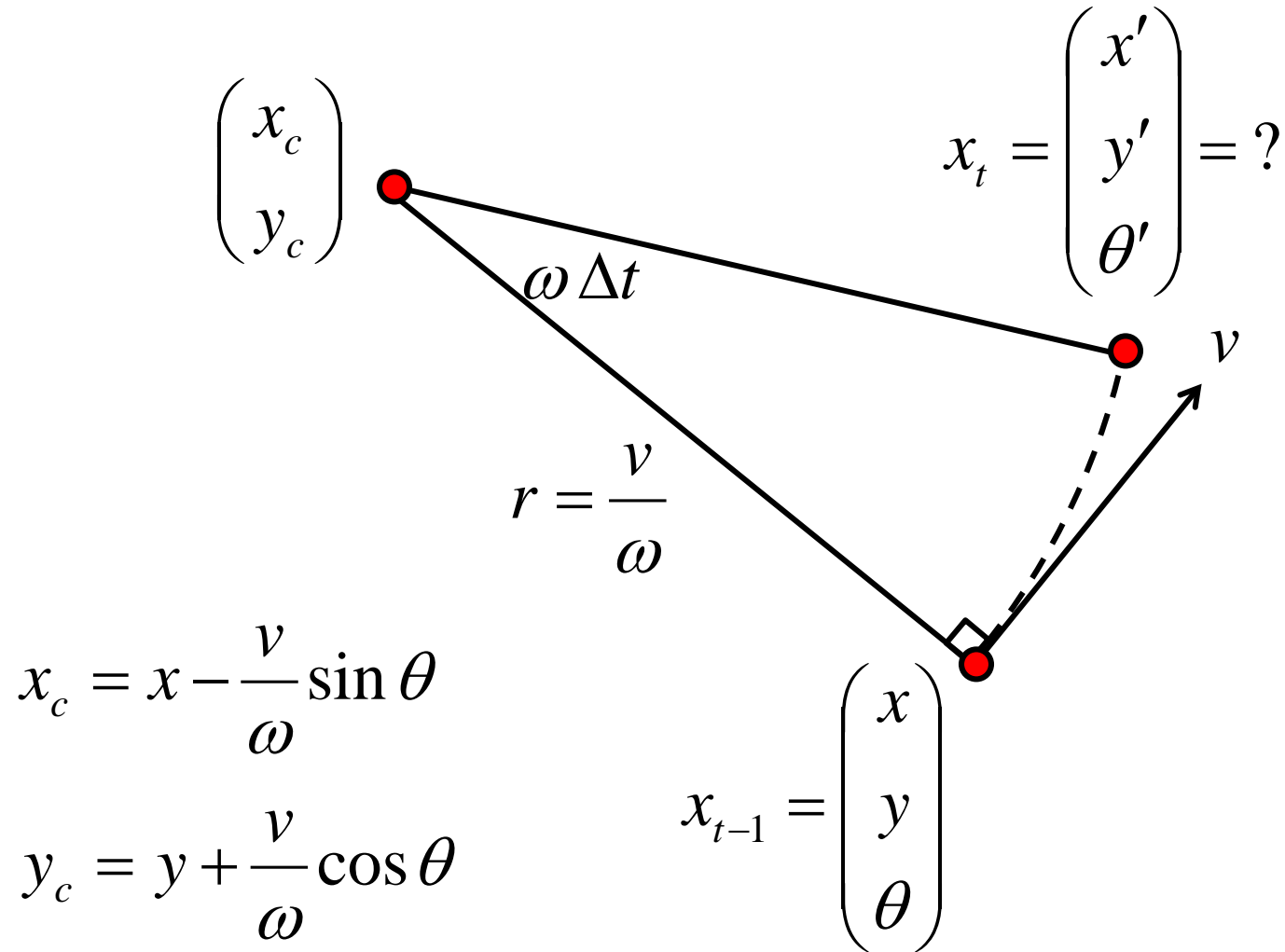
Sampling from the Velocity Motion Model

- ▶ suppose that a robot has a map of its environment and it needs to find its pose in the environment
 - ▶ this is the robot localization problem
 - ▶ several variants of the problem
 - ▶ the robot knows where it is initially
 - ▶ the robot does not know where it is initially
 - ▶ kidnapped robot: at any time, the robot can be teleported to another location in the environment
- ▶ a popular solution to the localization problem is the particle filter
 - ▶ uses simulation to sample the state density $p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1})$

Sampling from the Velocity Motion Model

- ▶ sampling the conditional density is easier than computing the density because we only require the forward kinematics model
 - ▶ given the control u_t and the previous pose x_{t-1} find the new pose x_t

Sampling from the Velocity Motion Model



$$x_c = x - \frac{v}{\omega} \sin \theta$$

$$y_c = y + \frac{v}{\omega} \cos \theta$$

Eqs 5.7, 5.8

Sampling from the Velocity Motion Model

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ \theta' \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} x_c + \frac{v}{\omega} \sin(\theta + \omega \Delta t) \\ y_c - \frac{v}{\omega} \cos(\theta + \omega \Delta t) \\ \theta + \omega \Delta t \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ \theta \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{v}{\omega} \sin \theta + \frac{v}{\omega} \sin(\theta + \omega \Delta t) \\ \frac{v}{\omega} \cos \theta - \frac{v}{\omega} \cos(\theta + \omega \Delta t) \\ \omega \Delta t \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad \text{Eqs 5.9}$$

*we already derived this for the differential drive!

Sampling from the Velocity Motion Model

- ▶ as with the original motion model, we will assume that given noisy velocities the robot can also make a small rotation in place to determine the final orientation of the robot

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ \theta' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ \theta \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \sin \theta + \frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \sin(\theta + \hat{\omega} \Delta t) \\ \frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \cos \theta - \frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \cos(\theta + \hat{\omega} \Delta t) \\ \hat{\omega} \Delta t + \hat{\gamma} \Delta t \end{pmatrix}$$

Sampling from the Velocity Motion Model

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1:  Algorithm sample_motion_model_velocity( $u_t, x_{t-1}$ ):  
2:       $\hat{v} = v + \text{sample}(\alpha_1 v^2 + \alpha_2 \omega^2)$   
3:       $\hat{\omega} = \omega + \text{sample}(\alpha_3 v^2 + \alpha_4 \omega^2)$   
4:       $\hat{\gamma} = \text{sample}(\alpha_5 v^2 + \alpha_6 \omega^2)$   
5:       $x' = x - \frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \sin \theta + \frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \sin(\theta + \hat{\omega} \Delta t)$   
6:       $y' = y + \frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \cos \theta - \frac{\hat{v}}{\hat{\omega}} \cos(\theta + \hat{\omega} \Delta t)$   
7:       $\theta' = \theta + \hat{\omega} \Delta t + \hat{\gamma} \Delta t$   
8:      return  $x_t = (x', y', \theta')^T$ 
```


Sampling from the Velocity Motion Model

- ▶ the function `sample(b^2)` generates a random sample from a zero-mean distribution with variance b^2
- ▶ Matlab is able to generate random numbers from many different distributions
 - ▶ `help randn`
 - ▶ `help stats`

How to Sample from Normal or Triangular Distributions?

► Sampling from a normal distribution

1. Algorithm **sample_normal_distribution**(b):

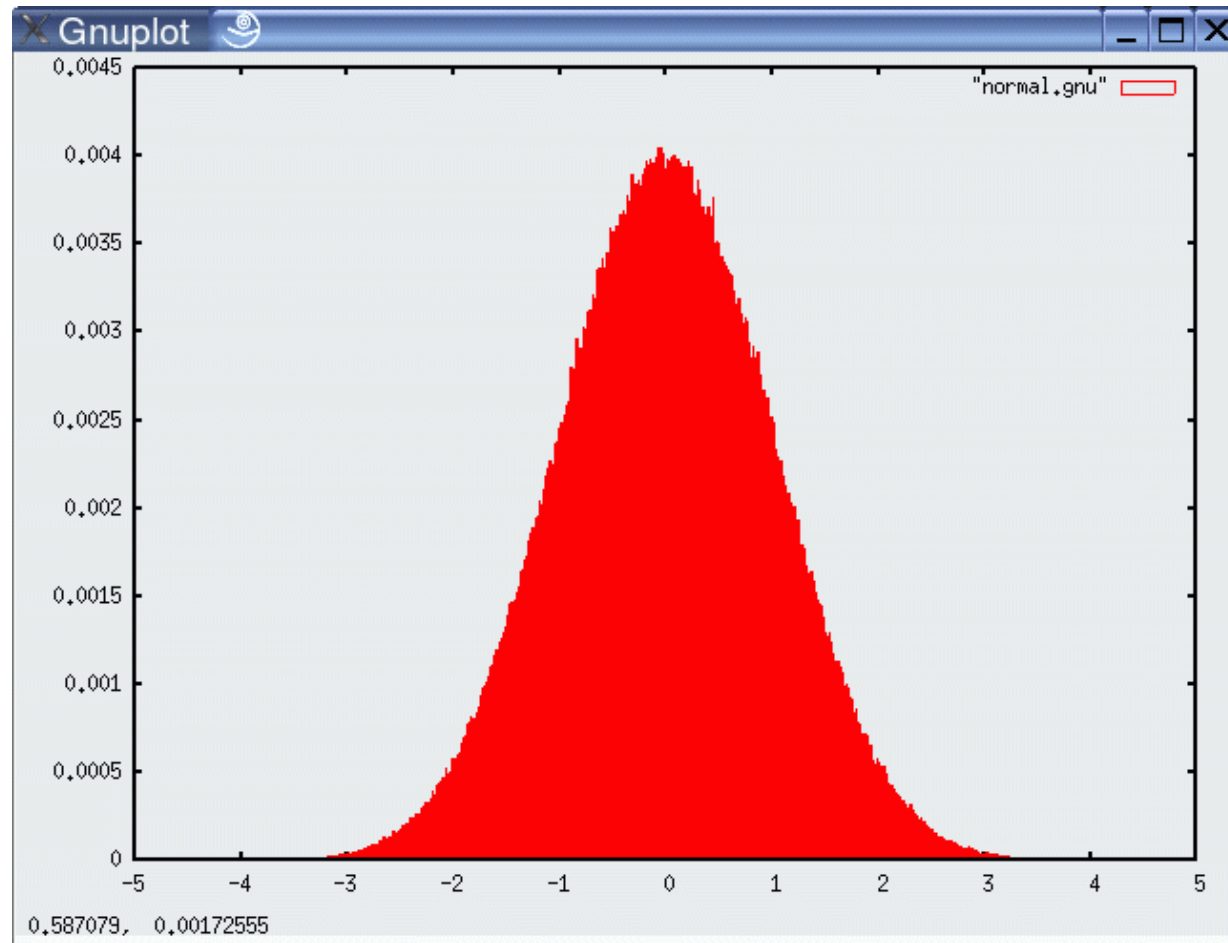
2. return $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{12} \text{rand}(-b, b)$

► Sampling from a triangular distribution

1. Algorithm **sample_triangular_distribution**(b):

2. return $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} [\text{rand}(-b, b) + \text{rand}(-b, b)]$

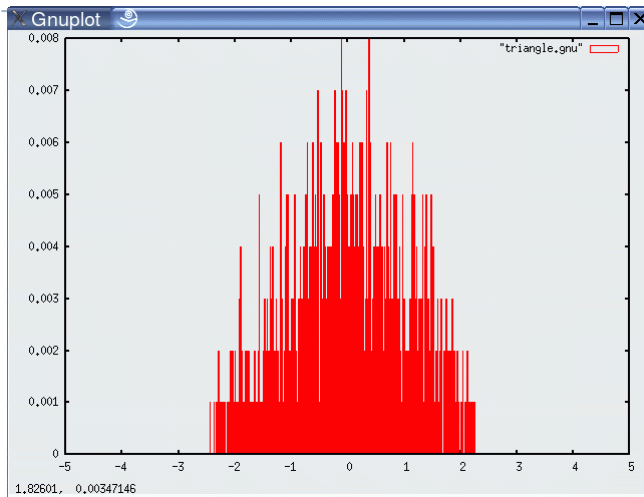
Normally Distributed Samples



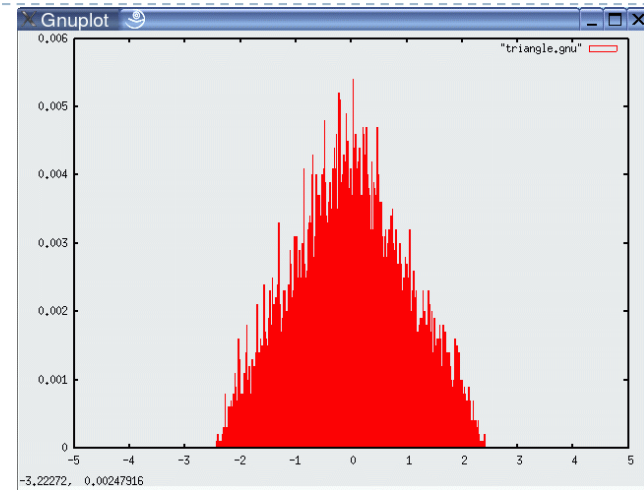
10^6 samples



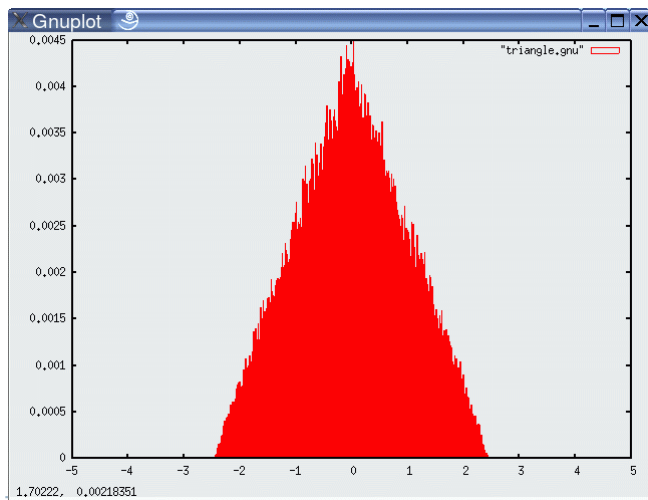
For Triangular Distribution



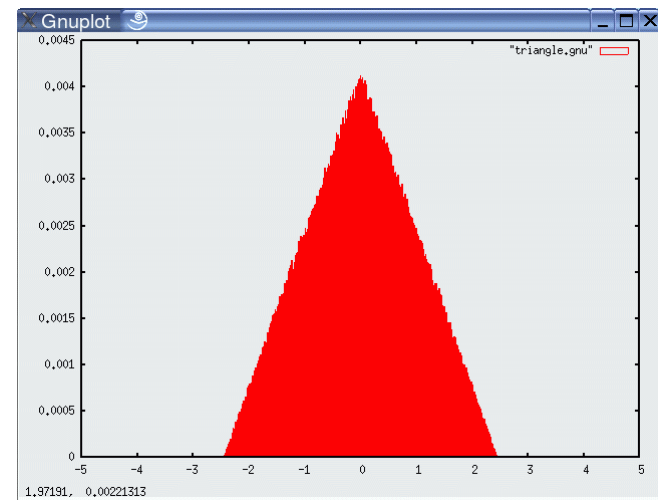
10^3 samples



10^4 samples



10^5 samples



10^6 samples



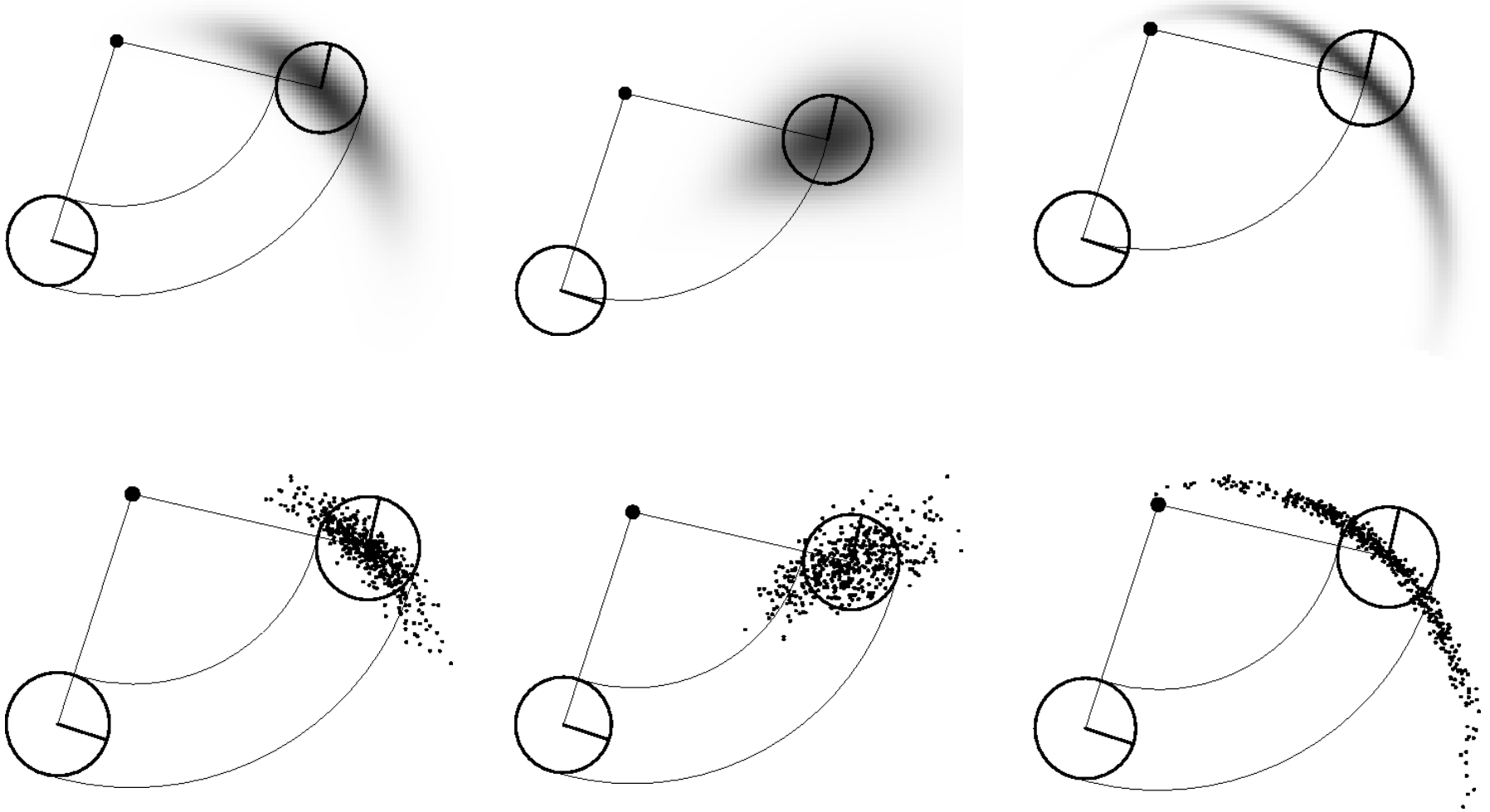
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Rejection Sampling

► Sampling from arbitrary distributions

1. Algorithm **sample_distribution**(f, b):
2. repeat
3. $x = \text{rand}(-b, b)$
4. $y = \text{rand}(0, \max\{f(x) \mid x \in (-b, b)\})$
5. until ($y \leq f(x)$)
6. return x

Examples

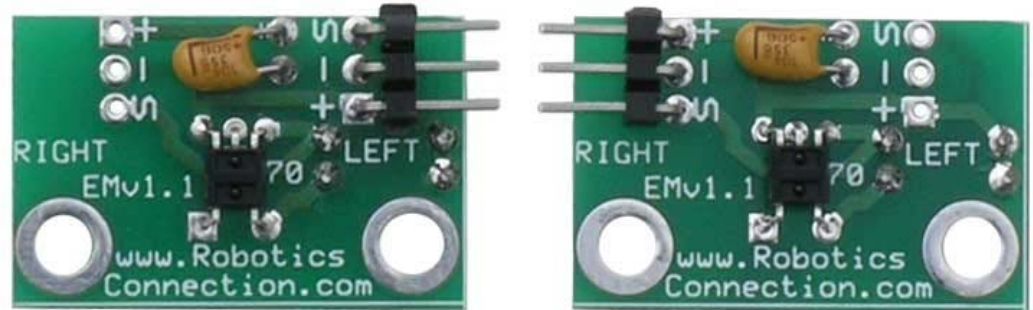


Odometry Motion Model

- ▶ many robots make use of odometry rather than velocity
- ▶ odometry uses a sensor or sensors to measure motion to estimate changes in position over time
- ▶ typically more accurate than velocity motion model, but measurements are available only after the motion has been completed
- ▶ technically a measurement rather than a control
 - ▶ but usually treated as control to simplify the modeling
- ▶ odometry allows a robot to estimate its pose
 - ▶ but no fixed mapping from odometer coordinates and world coordinates
- ▶ in wheeled robots the sensor is often a rotary encoder

Example Wheel Encoders

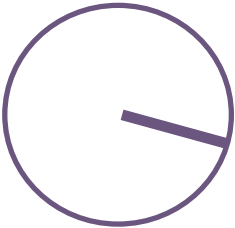
These modules require +5V and GND to power them, and provide a 0 to 5V output. They provide +5V output when they "see" white, and a 0V output when they "see" black.



These disks are manufactured out of high quality laminated color plastic to offer a very crisp black to white transition. This enables a wheel encoder sensor to easily see the transitions.

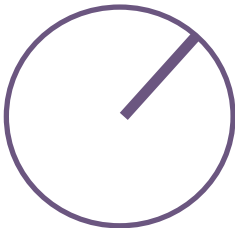
Odometry Model

- ▶ when using odometry, the robot keeps an internal estimate of its pose at all time
 - ▶ for example, consider a robot moving from pose \bar{x}_{t-1} to \bar{x}_t



A purple circle representing a robot. A thick purple line segment extends from the center towards the bottom-right edge, representing the robot's heading.

$$\bar{x}_{t-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \\ \bar{\theta} \end{pmatrix}$$



A purple circle representing a robot. A thick purple line segment extends from the center towards the top-right edge, representing the robot's heading.

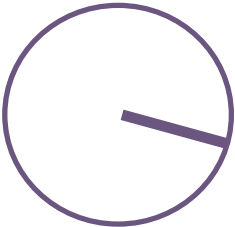
$$\bar{x}_t = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}' \\ \bar{y}' \\ \bar{\theta}' \end{pmatrix}$$

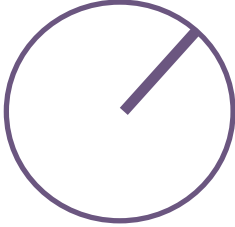
Note: bar indicates values in the robot's internal coordinate system

Odometry Model

- ▶ the internal pose estimates \bar{x}_{t-1} to \bar{x}_t are treated as the control inputs to the robot:

$$u_t = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}_{t-1} \\ \bar{x}_t \end{pmatrix}$$

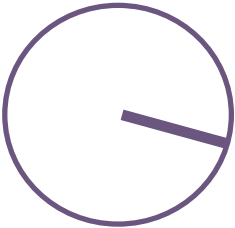

$$\bar{x}_{t-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \\ \bar{\theta} \end{pmatrix}$$


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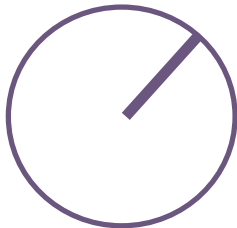
Odometry Model

- ▶ we require a model of how the robot moves from \bar{x}_{t-1} to \bar{x}_t
 - ▶ there are an infinite number of possible motions between \bar{x}_{t-1} to \bar{x}_t



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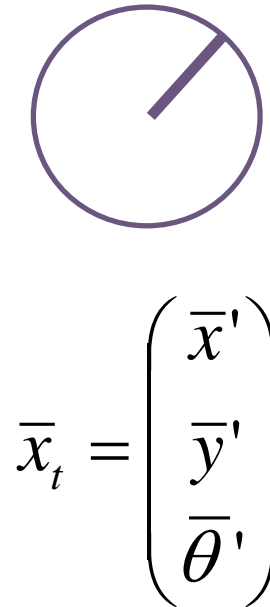
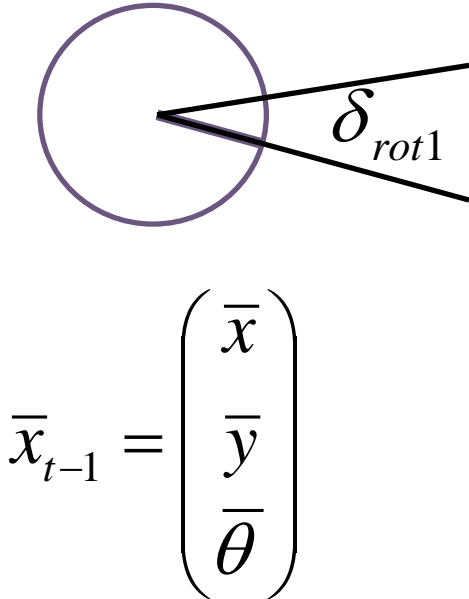
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Odometry Model

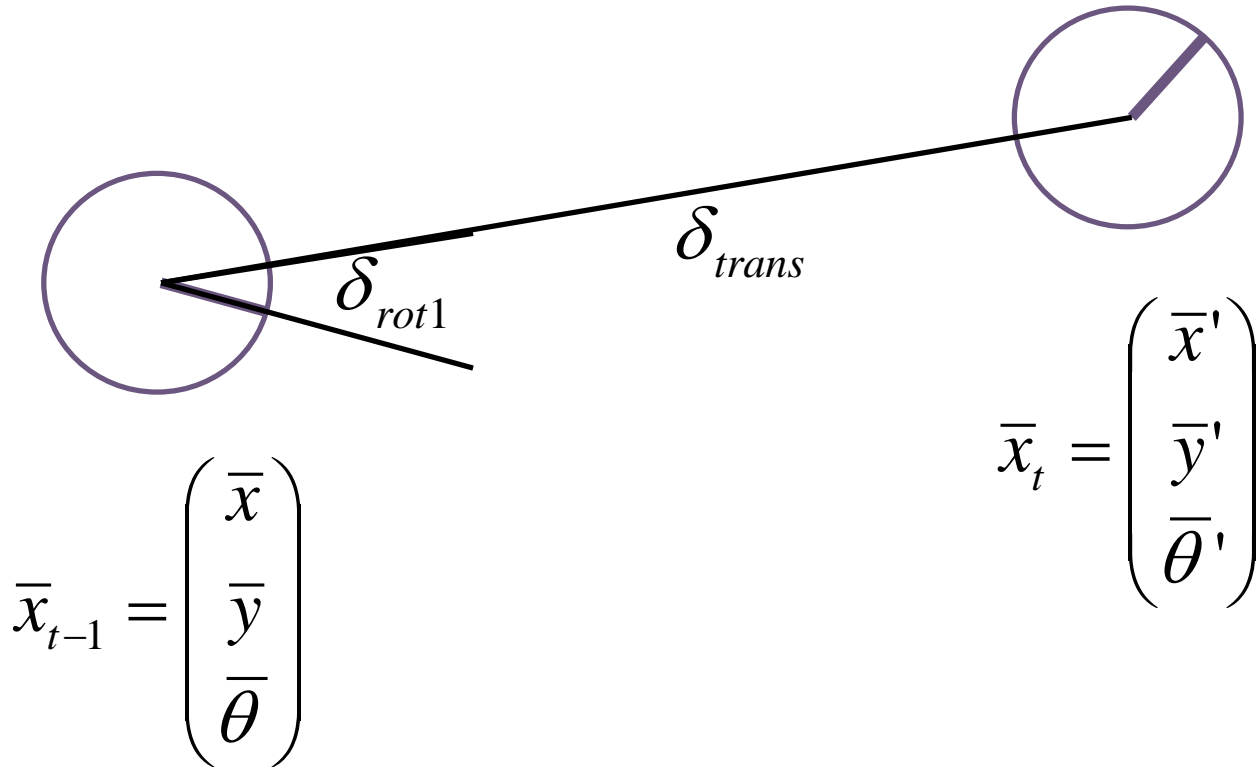
- ▶ assume the motion is accomplished in 3 steps:
 - I. rotate in place by δ_{rot1}



Note: bar indicates values in the robot's internal coordinate system

Odometry Model

- ▶ assume the motion is accomplished in 3 steps:
 1. rotate in place by δ_{rot1}
 2. move in a straight line by δ_{trans}

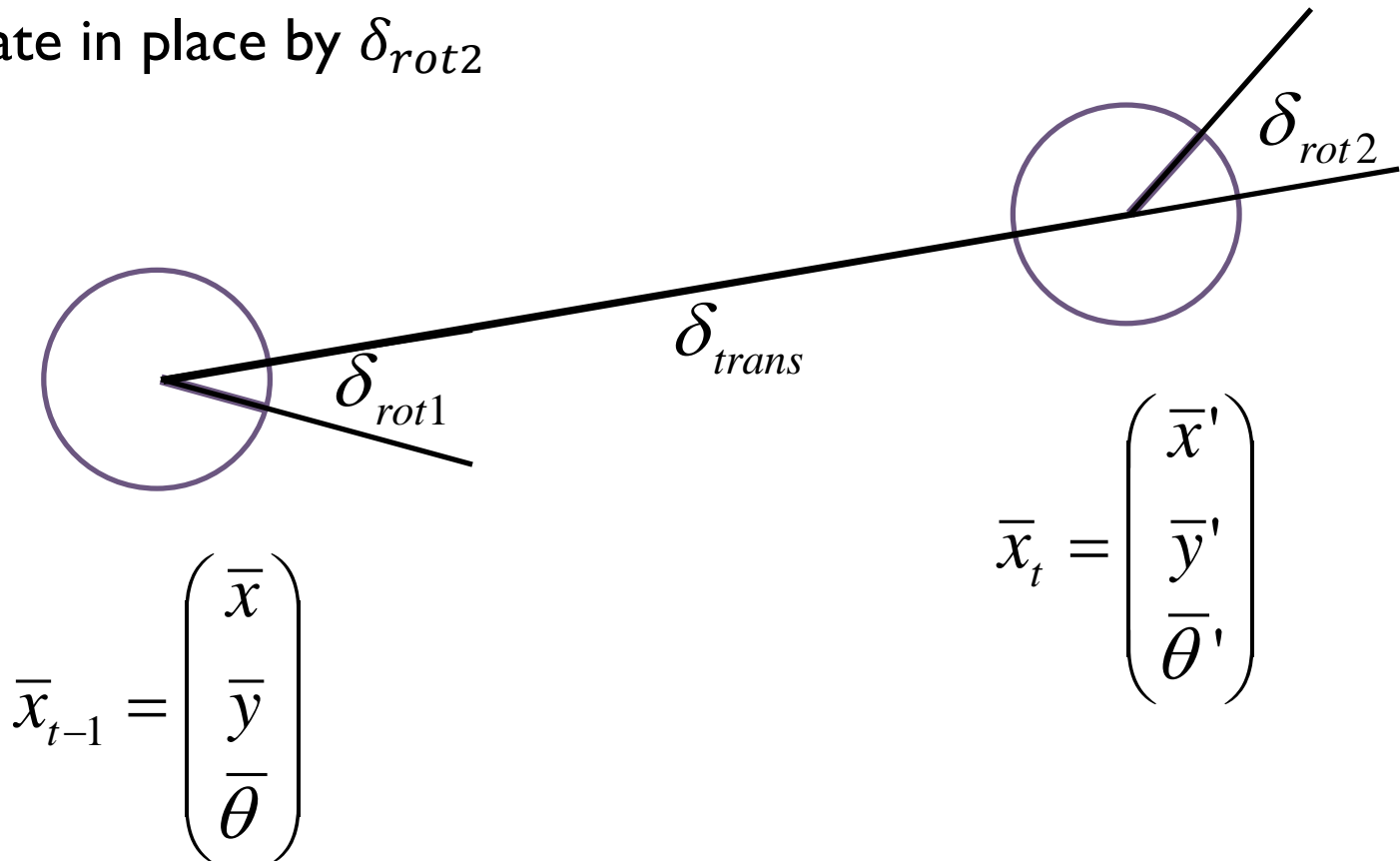


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Odometry Model

► assume the motion is accomplished in 3 steps:

1. rotate in place by δ_{rot1}
2. move in a straight line by δ_{trans}
3. rotate in place by δ_{rot2}



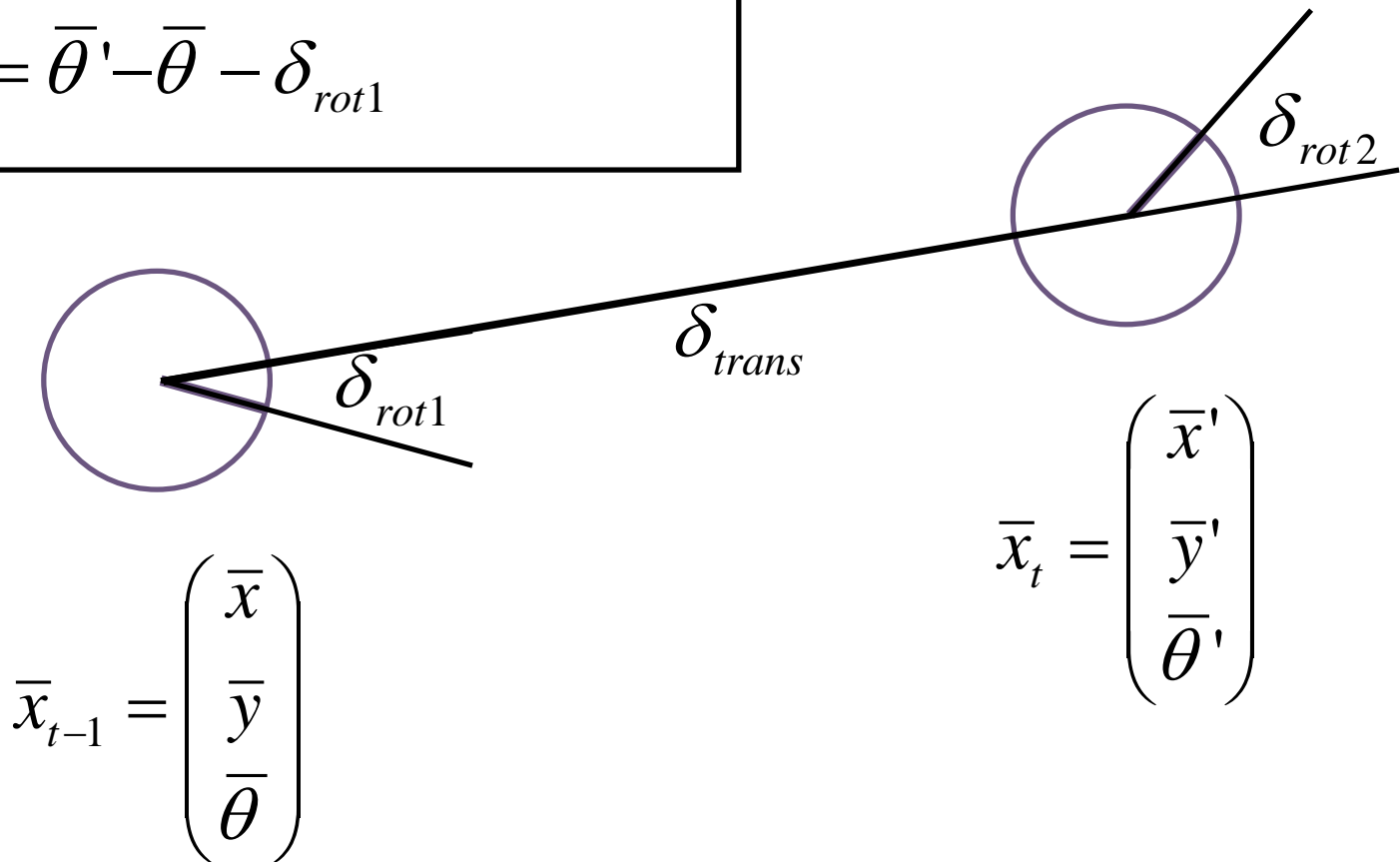
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Odometry Model

$$\delta_{trans} = \sqrt{(\bar{x}' - \bar{x})^2 + (\bar{y}' - \bar{y})^2}$$

$$\delta_{rot1} = \text{atan2}(\bar{y}' - \bar{y}, \bar{x}' - \bar{x}) - \bar{\theta}$$

$$\delta_{rot2} = \bar{\theta}' - \bar{\theta} - \delta_{rot1}$$



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Noise Model for Odometry

- ▶ the difference between the true motion of the robot and the odometry motion is assumed to be a zero-mean random value

$$\delta_{rot1} - \hat{\delta}_{rot1} = \varepsilon_{\alpha_1 \delta_{rot1}^2 + \alpha_2 \delta_{trans}^2}$$

$$\delta_{trans} - \hat{\delta}_{trans} = \varepsilon_{\alpha_3 \delta_{trans}^2 + \alpha_4 (\delta_{rot1}^2 + \delta_{rot2}^2)}$$

$$\delta_{rot2} - \hat{\delta}_{rot2} = \varepsilon_{\alpha_1 \delta_{rot2}^2 + \alpha_2 \delta_{trans}^2}$$

Sampling from the Odometry Motion Model

- ▶ suppose you are given the previous pose of the robot in world coordinates (x_{t-1}) and the most recent odometry from the robot (u_t)
- ▶ how do you generate a random sample of the current pose of the robot in world coordinates (x_t)?
 1. use odometry to compute motion parameters $\delta_{rot1}, \delta_{trans}, \delta_{rot2}$
 2. use noise model to generate random true motion parameters $\hat{\delta}_{rot1}, \hat{\delta}_{trans}, \hat{\delta}_{rot2}$
 3. use random true motion parameters to compute a random x_t

Sample Odometry Motion Model

1. Algorithm **sample_motion_model**(u_t, x_{t-1}):

2. $\delta_{rot1} = \text{atan2}(\bar{y}' - \bar{y}, \bar{x}' - \bar{x}) - \bar{\theta}$

3. $\delta_{trans} = \sqrt{(\bar{x}' - \bar{x})^2 + (\bar{y}' - \bar{y})^2}$

4. $\delta_{rot2} = \bar{\theta}' - \bar{\theta} - \delta_{rot1}$

5. $\hat{\delta}_{rot1} = \delta_{rot1} - \text{sample}(\alpha_1 \delta_{rot1}^2 + \alpha_2 \delta_{trans}^2)$

6. $\hat{\delta}_{trans} = \delta_{trans} - \text{sample}(\alpha_3 \delta_{trans}^2 + \alpha_4 (\delta_{rot1}^2 + \delta_{rot2}^2))$

7. $\hat{\delta}_{rot2} = \delta_{rot2} - \text{sample}(\alpha_1 \delta_{rot2}^2 + \alpha_2 \delta_{trans}^2)$

8. $x' = x + \hat{\delta}_{trans} \cos(\theta + \hat{\delta}_{rot1})$

9. $y' = y + \hat{\delta}_{trans} \sin(\theta + \hat{\delta}_{rot1})$

10. $\theta' = \theta + \hat{\delta}_{rot1} + \hat{\delta}_{rot2}$

11. return $[x' \quad y' \quad \theta']^T$



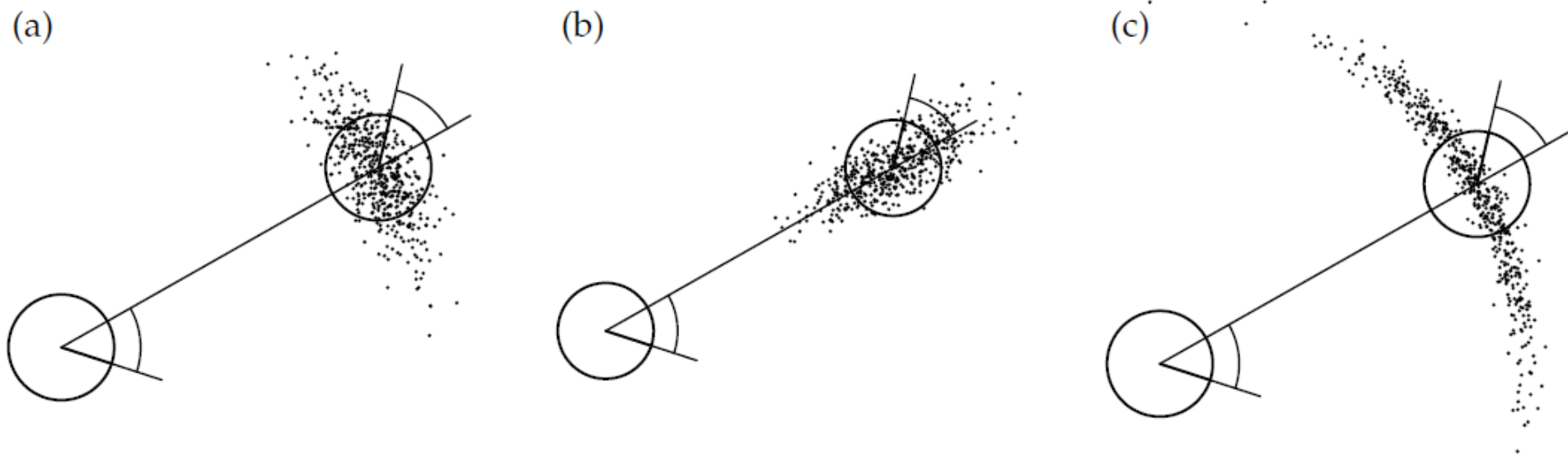
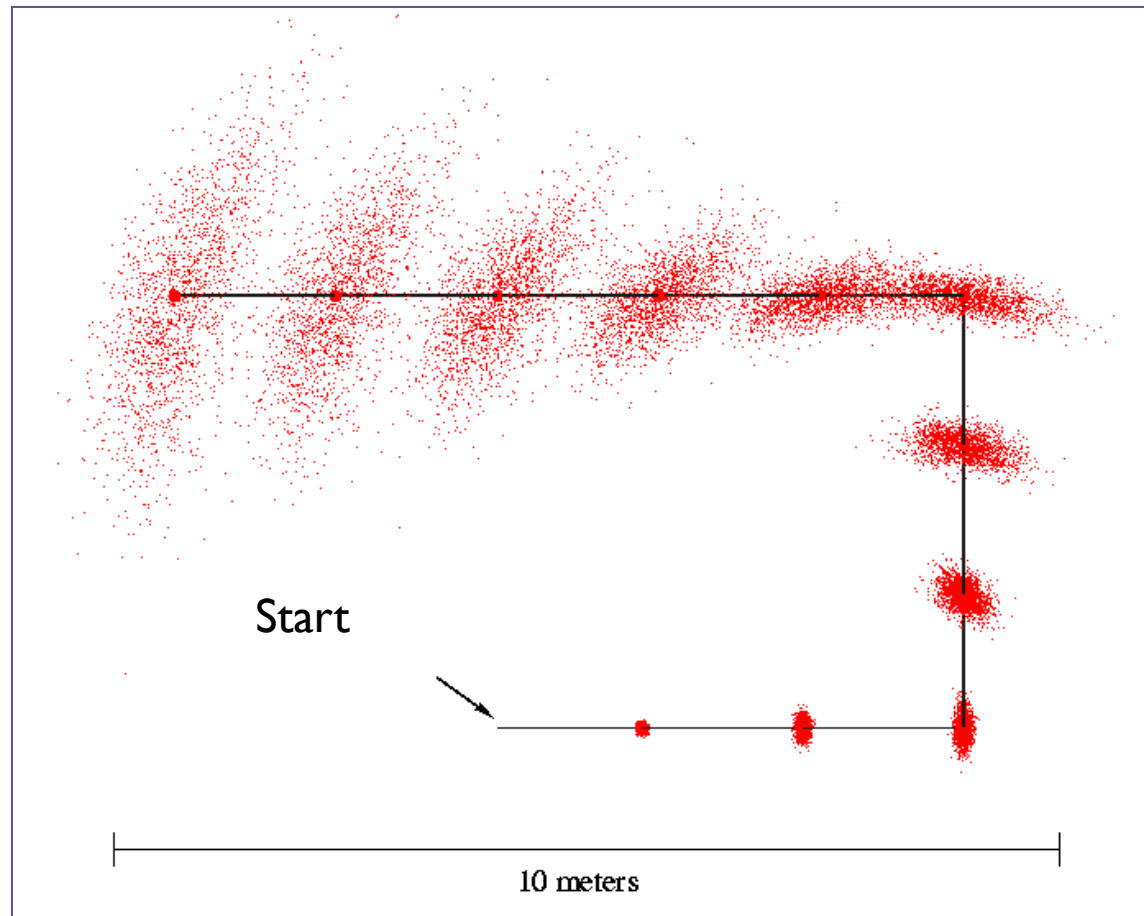


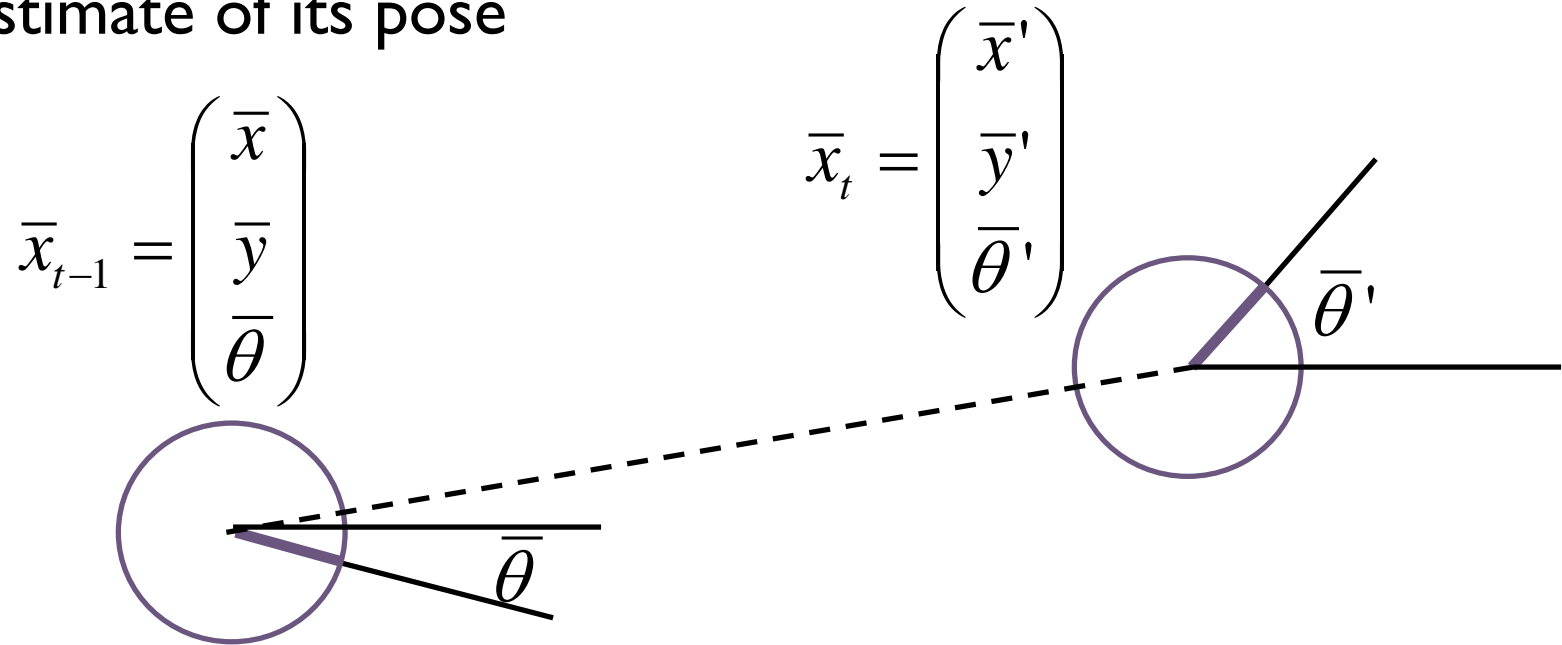
Figure 5.9 Sampling from the odometry motion model, using the same parameters as in Figure 5.8. Each diagram shows 500 samples.

Sampling from Our Motion Model



Odometry Motion Model

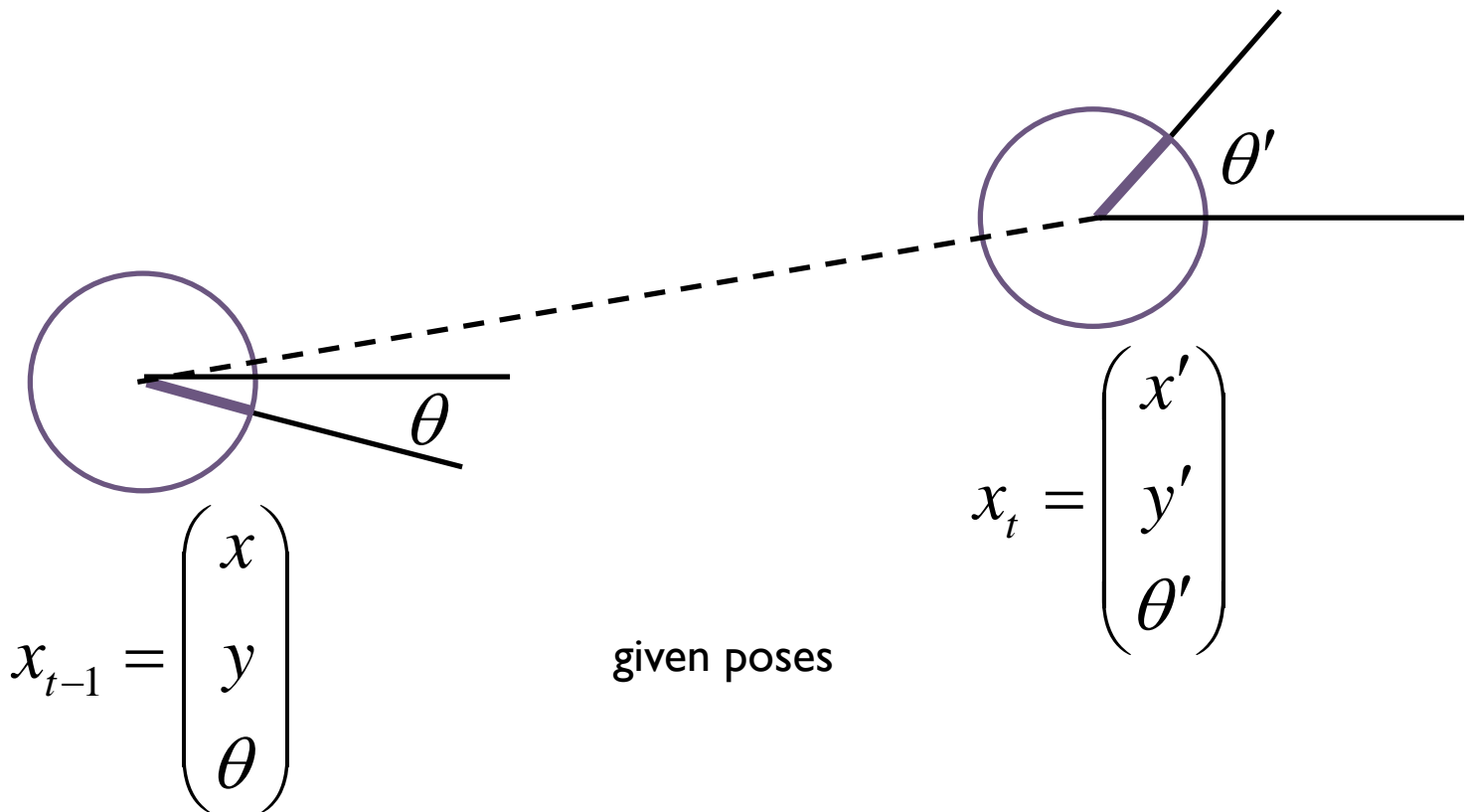
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robot's internal poses

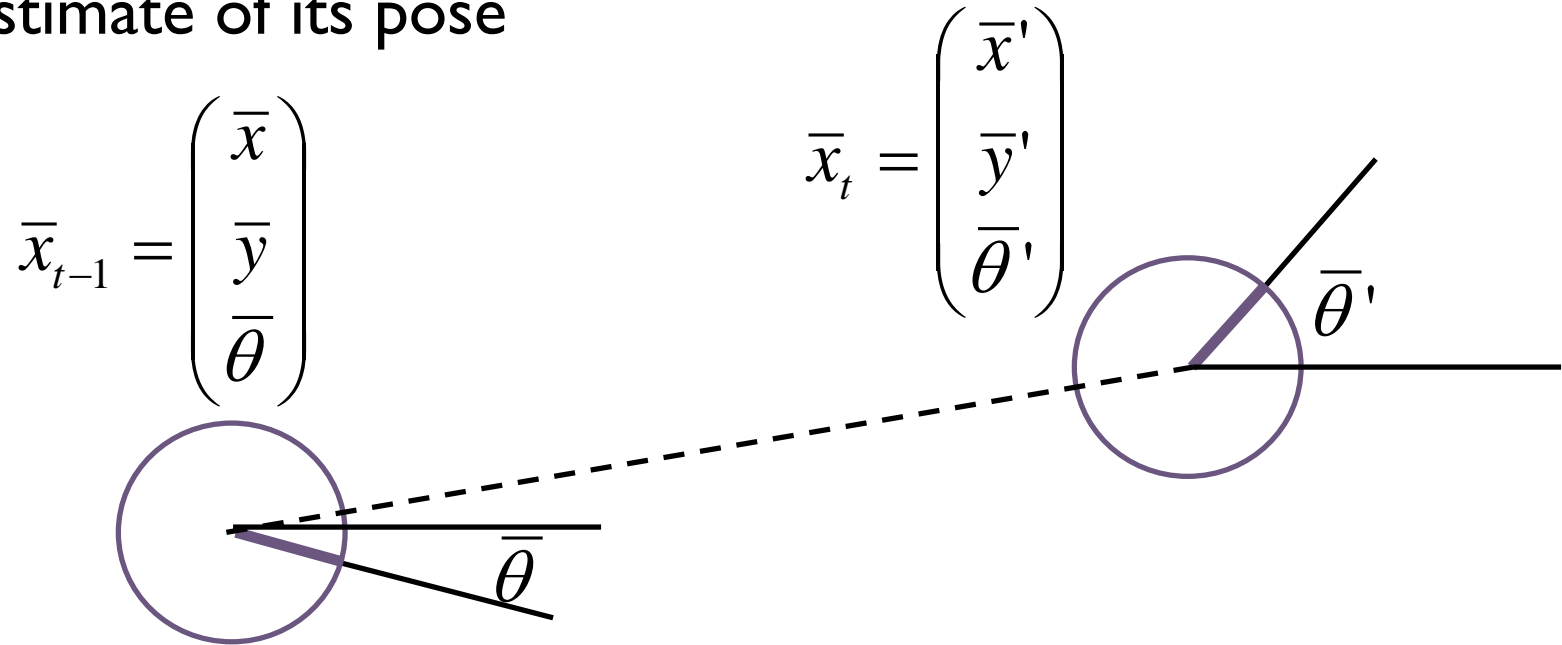
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robot's internal poses

Odometry Motion Model

- ▶ the control vector is made up of the robot odometry

$$u_t = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}_{t-1} \\ \bar{x}_t \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ use the robot's internal pose estimates to compute the δ

$$\delta_{trans} = \sqrt{(\bar{x}' - \bar{x})^2 + (\bar{y}' - \bar{y})^2}$$

$$\delta_{rot1} = \text{atan2}(\bar{y}' - \bar{y}, \bar{x}' - \bar{x}) - \bar{\theta}$$

$$\delta_{rot2} = \bar{\theta}' - \bar{\theta} - \delta_{rot1}$$

Odometry Motion Model

- ▶ use the given poses to compute the δ

$$\hat{\delta}_{trans} = \sqrt{(x'-x)^2 + (y'-y)^2}$$

$$\hat{\delta}_{rot1} = \text{atan2}(y'-y, x'-x) - \theta$$

$$\hat{\delta}_{rot2} = \theta' - \theta - \hat{\delta}_{rot1}$$

- ▶ as with the velocity motion model, we have to solve the inverse kinematics problem here
 - ▶ but the problem is much simpler than in the velocity motion model

Odometry Motion Model

► recall the noise model

$$\delta_{trans} - \hat{\delta}_{trans} = \varepsilon_{\alpha_3 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2 + \alpha_4 (\hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2)}$$

$$\delta_{rot1} - \hat{\delta}_{rot1} = \varepsilon_{\alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2}$$

$$\delta_{rot2} - \hat{\delta}_{rot2} = \varepsilon_{\alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2}$$

which makes it easy to compute the probability densities of observing the differences in the δ

$$p_1 = \text{prob}(\delta_{trans} - \hat{\delta}_{trans}, \alpha_3 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2 + \alpha_4 (\hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2))$$

$$p_2 = \text{prob}(\delta_{rot1} - \hat{\delta}_{rot1}, \alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2)$$

$$p_3 = \text{prob}(\delta_{rot2} - \hat{\delta}_{rot2}, \alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2)$$

Odometry Motion Model

I. Algorithm **motion_model_odometry(x,x',u)**

$$2. \quad \delta_{trans} = \sqrt{(\bar{x}' - \bar{x})^2 + (\bar{y}' - \bar{y})^2}$$

$$3. \quad \delta_{rot1} = \text{atan2}(\bar{y}' - \bar{y}, \bar{x}' - \bar{x}) - \bar{\theta}$$

$$4. \quad \delta_{rot2} = \bar{\theta}' - \bar{\theta} - \delta_{rot1}$$

odometry values (u)

$$5. \quad \hat{\delta}_{trans} = \sqrt{(x' - x)^2 + (y' - y)^2}$$

$$6. \quad \hat{\delta}_{rot1} = \text{atan2}(y' - y, x' - x) - \theta$$

$$7. \quad \hat{\delta}_{rot2} = \theta' - \theta - \hat{\delta}_{rot1}$$

values of interest (x,x')

$$8. \quad p_1 = \text{prob}(\delta_{rot1} - \hat{\delta}_{rot1}, \alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2)$$

$$9. \quad p_2 = \text{prob}(\delta_{trans} - \hat{\delta}_{trans}, \alpha_3 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2 + \alpha_4 (\hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2))$$

$$10. \quad p_3 = \text{prob}(\delta_{rot2} - \hat{\delta}_{rot2}, \alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2)$$

II. return $p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot p_3$

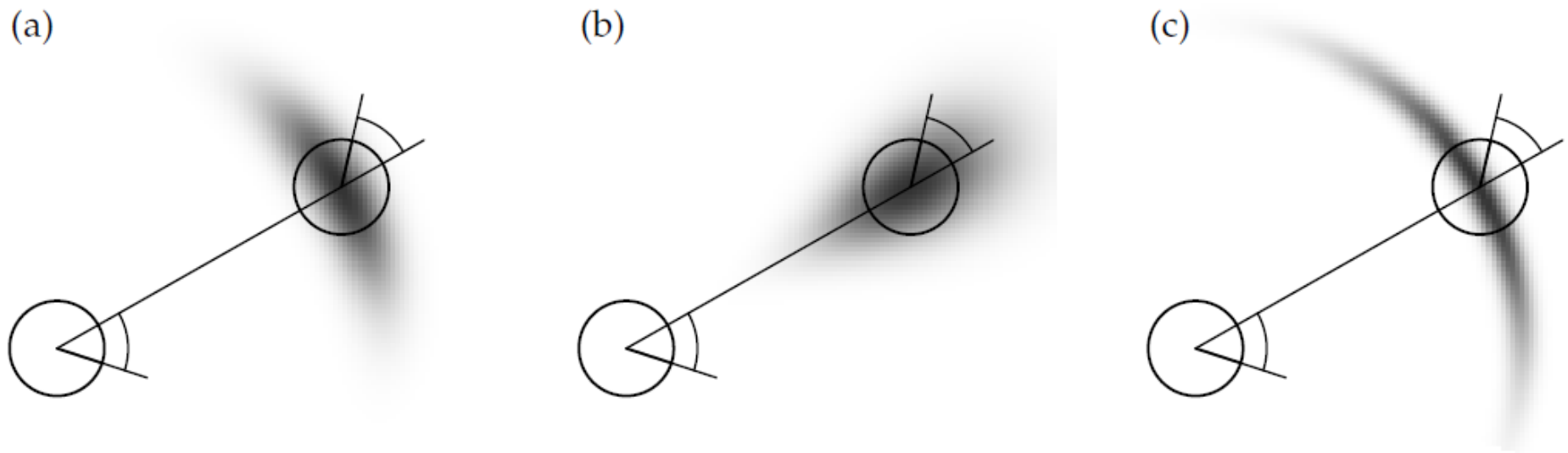
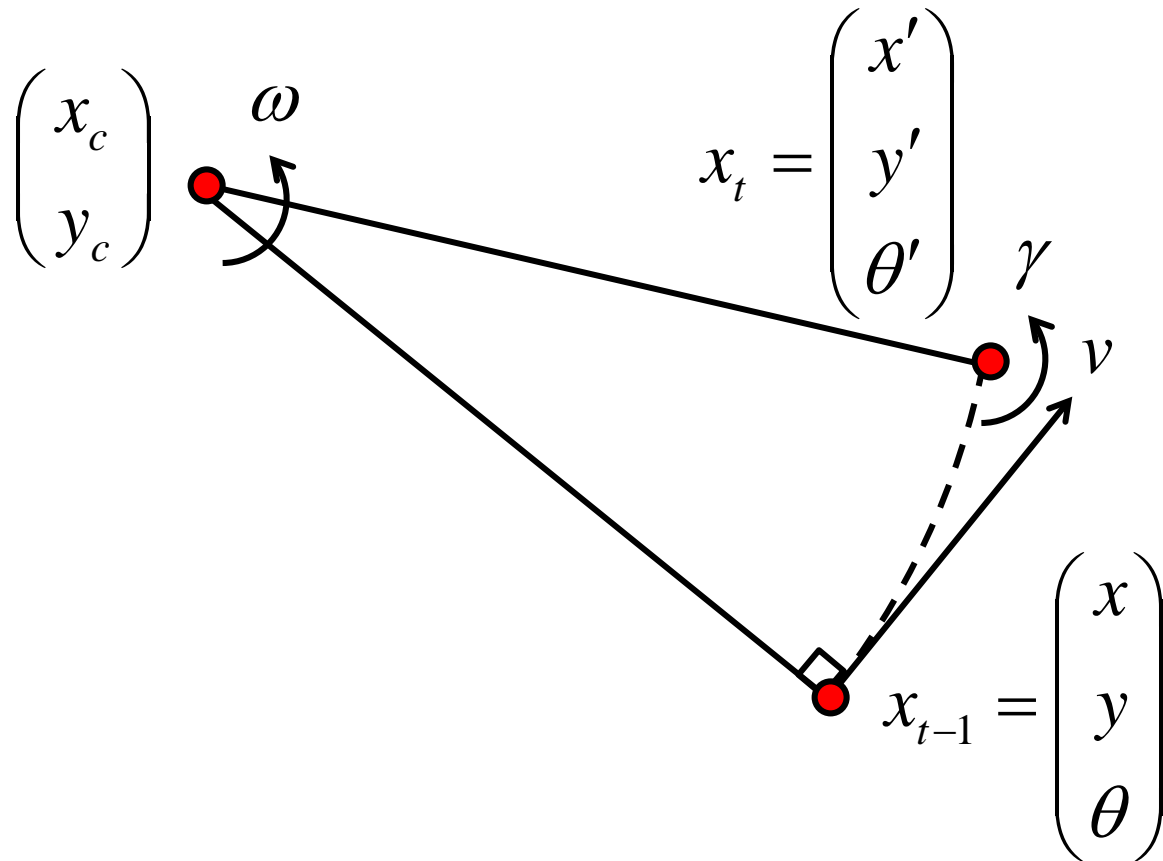


Figure 5.8 The odometry motion model, for different noise parameter settings.

Recap

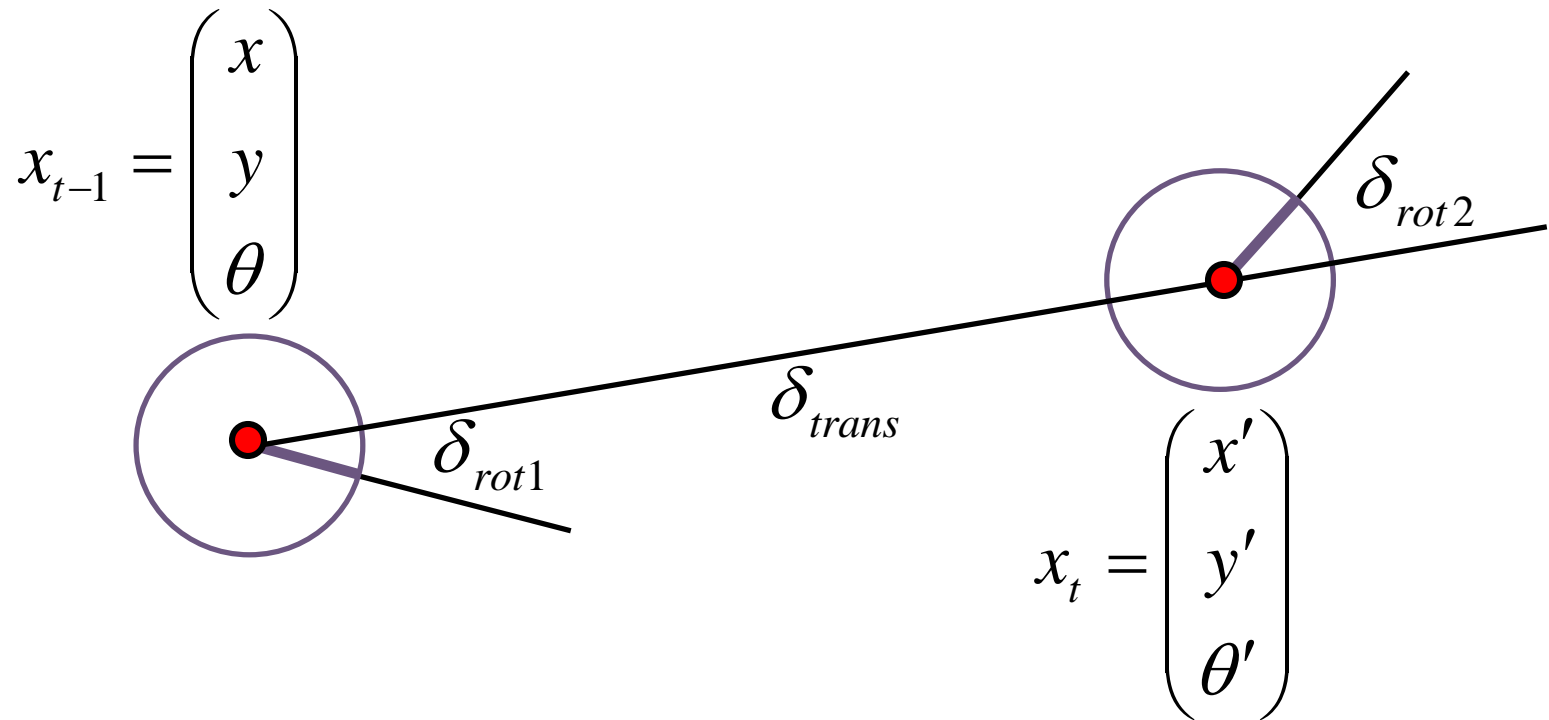
▶ velocity motion model

- ▶ control variables were linear velocity, angular velocity about ICC, and final angular velocity about robot center



Recap

- ▶ odometric motion model
 - ▶ control variables were derived from odometry
 - ▶ initial rotation, translation, final rotation



Recap

- ▶ for both models we assumed the control inputs u_t were noisy
- ▶ the noise models were assumed to be zero-mean additive with a specified variance

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

actual commanded noise
velocity velocity

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

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

Recap

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{\delta}_{trans} \\ \hat{\delta}_{rot1} \\ \hat{\delta}_{rot2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{trans} \\ \delta_{rot1} \\ \delta_{rot2} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{trans,noise} \\ \delta_{rot1,noise} \\ \delta_{rot2,noise} \end{pmatrix}$$

actual commanded noise
motion motion

$$\text{var}(\delta_{trans,noise}) = \alpha_3 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2 + \alpha_4 (\hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2)$$

$$\text{var}(\delta_{rot1,noise}) = \alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot1}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2$$

$$\text{var}(\delta_{rot2,noise}) = \alpha_1 \hat{\delta}_{rot2}^2 + \alpha_2 \hat{\delta}_{trans}^2$$

Recap

- ▶ for both models we studied how to derive $p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1})$
 - ▶ given
 - ▶ x_{t-1} current pose
 - ▶ u_t control input
 - ▶ x_t new pose
 - find the probability density that the new pose is generated by the current pose and control input
- ▶ required inverting the motion model to compare the *actual* with the *commanded* control parameters

Recap

- ▶ for both models we studied how to sample from $p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1})$
 - ▶ given
 - ▶ x_{t-1} current pose
 - ▶ u_t control input
 - generate a random new pose x_t consistent with the motion model
- ▶ sampling from $p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1})$ is often easier than calculating $p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1})$ directly because only the forward kinematics are required