

# EECS 126: Probability & Random Processes

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Tracking

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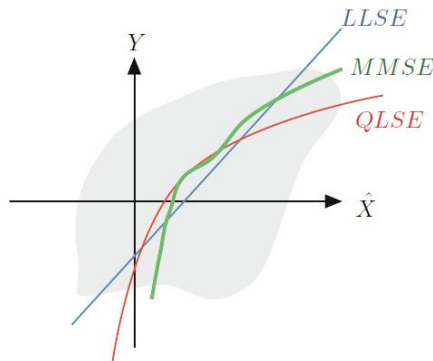
## Topics Covered in Lectures on Tracking

- Tracking Problem (Section 9.1 & 9.2)
- LLSE (Section 9.3)
- Linear Regression (Section 9.4)
- MMSE (Section 9.6)
- Updating LLSE (Section 10.1)
- Kalman Filter (Kalman Filter Notes\*)

\* Lecture will be based on the Kalman Filter Notes posted on the course website. Sections 9.8 and 10.2 can be used as references.

## Problem Statement

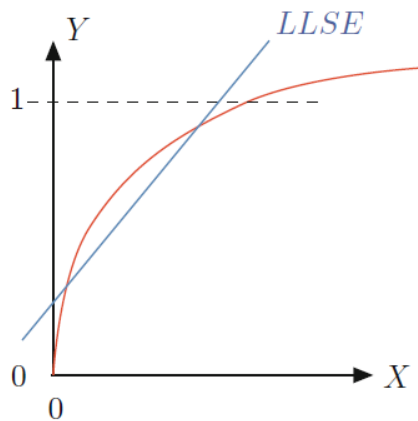
- Let  $(X, Y)$  be a pair of continuous RVs related to a system, and we want to estimate  $X$  based on the observed value  $Y$  by
  - $\hat{X} = g(Y)$  such that expected cost  $C(g) := E(c(X, g(Y)))$  is minimized for a given cost function  $c$ .
  - Squared Error cost:  $c(X, \hat{X}) = |X - \hat{X}|^2$  for  $X \in \mathcal{R}$  or  $\|X - \hat{X}\|^2$  for  $X \in \mathcal{R}^d$ .
  - With squared error cost and minimizing  $C(g)$  over arbitrary function  $g$ ,  $\hat{X}$  is the Minimum Mean Squared Error (MMSE) Estimate of  $X$  given  $Y$ .
  - With squared error cost and minimizing  $C(g)$  where  $g$  limited to linear functions of  $Y$  (i.e.,  $\hat{X} = a + bY$  for some  $a$  and  $b$ ),  $\hat{X}$  is the Linear Least Squares Error (LLSE) Estimate of  $X$  given  $Y$ .



- Different formulations:
  - Known joint distribution of  $(X, Y)$ .
  - Offline: Observe set of samples  $(X_i, Y_i), i = 1, 2, \dots, K$ .
  - Online: Observe successive samples  $(X_n, Y_n)$ .
- Examples:
  - Estimate location based on GPS signals.
  - Estimate speed based on radar signals.
  - Estimate state of vehicle based on sensor signals.

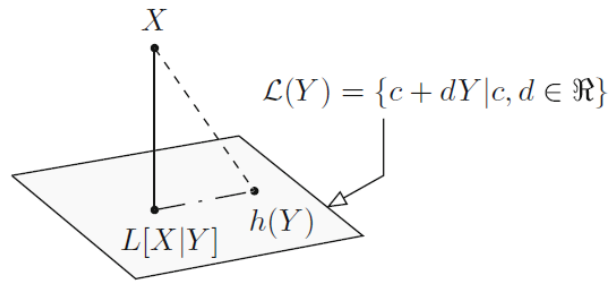
## Linear Least Squares Error (LLSE) Estimate

- We are looking for  $\hat{X} = a + bY$  that minimizes  $E(|X - a - bY|^2)$  over  $\forall a, b \in \mathcal{R}$  assuming we know joint distribution of  $(X, Y)$ .
  - $L[X|Y]$  denotes this estimate.
- Theorem: Assuming  $\text{var}(Y) \neq 0$ ,
$$L[X|Y] = E(X) + \frac{\text{cov}(X,Y)}{\text{var}(Y)}(Y - E(Y)).$$
- Example:  $Y = \alpha X + Z$ , where  $X$  and  $Z$  are zero-mean & independent RVs.
- Example:  $X = \alpha Y + \beta Y^2$ , where  $Y \equiv_D U[0, 1]$ .



## Projection

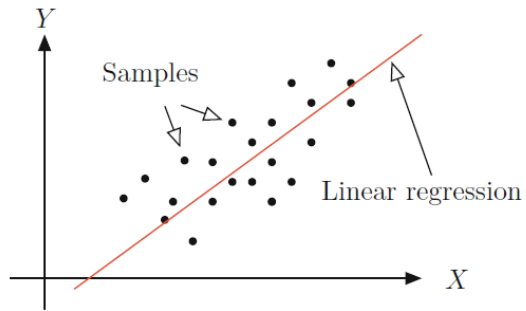
- $L[X|Y]$  is the projection of  $X$  onto the subspace  $\mathcal{L}(Y)$  of linear functions of  $Y$ .
  - Define  $E(VW)$  as the inner product of two RVs  $V$  and  $W$ .
  - $V$  and  $W$  are orthogonal if  $E(VW) = 0$ .
  - Projection Property:  $X - L[X|Y]$  is orthogonal to every linear function of  $Y$ .



- $L[X|Y]$  is the closest point to  $X$  in  $\mathcal{L}(Y)$ .

## Regression

- In stead of knowing the joint distribution, suppose we observe IID samples  $(X_i, Y_i), i = 1, \dots, K$ .
- Our goal is to choose  $a$  and  $b$  that minimizes  $\frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K |X_i - a - bY_i|^2$ .



- Theorem:  $a + bY = E_K(X) + \frac{cov_K(X,Y)}{var_K(Y)} (Y - E_K(Y))$ , where

$$E_K(X) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K X_i$$

$$E_K(Y) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K Y_i$$

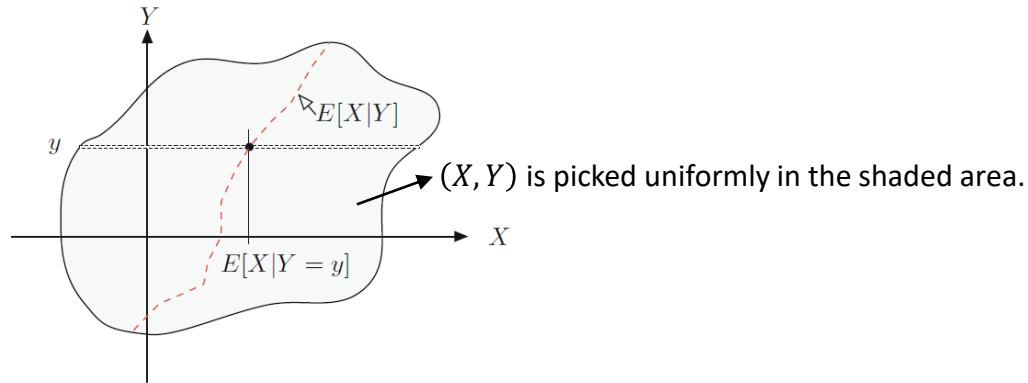
$$cov_K(X, Y) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K X_i Y_i - E_K(X) E_K(Y)$$

$$var_K(Y) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K Y_i^2 - (E_K(Y))^2$$

- Theorem: As the number of samples increases the linear regression approaches LLSE estimate.

## Minimum Mean Squared Error (MMSE) Estimate

- For now, assume we know the joint distribution of  $(X, Y)$ .
- Problem: Find function  $g$  such that  $g(Y)$  minimizes  $E(|X - g(Y)|^2)$ .
  - The best solution  $g(Y)$  is called MMSE of  $X$  given  $Y$ .
- Theorem: MMSE of  $X$  given  $Y$  is given by  $g(Y) = E[X|Y]$ .
- Recall  $E[X|Y]$  is an RV, and  $E[X|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}[x|y] dx$ , where  $f_{X|Y}[x|y] = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$ .



- Lemma (Orthogonality Property of MMSE):
  - For any function  $\phi(\cdot)$ ,  $E((X - E[X|Y])\phi(Y)) = 0$ .
  - Also, if  $g(Y)$  is such that  $E((X - g(Y))\phi(Y)) = 0 \forall \phi(\cdot)$ ,  $g(Y) = E[X|Y]$ .
- Fact:  $\phi(Y)$  is MMSE of  $X$  given  $Y$  if and only if  $E[X - \phi(Y)|Y] = 0$ .

## Properties of Conditional Expectation

- Properties:
  - a. Linearity:  $E[a_1X_1 + a_2X_2|Y] = a_1E[X_1|Y] + a_2E[X_2|Y]$ .
  - b. Factoring:  $E[h(Y)X|Y] = h(Y)E[X|Y]$ .
  - c. Independence: If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent,  $E[X|Y] = E(X)$ .
  - d. Smoothing:  $E(E[X|Y]) = E(X)$ .
  - e. Tower:  $E[E[X|Y, Z]|Y] = E[X|Y]$ .
- Example: Let  $X, Y$  be IID  $U[0, 1]$ . Find  $E[(X + 2Y)^2|Y]$ .
- Example: Let  $X, Y, Z$  be IID. Find  $E[X|X + Y + Z]$ .



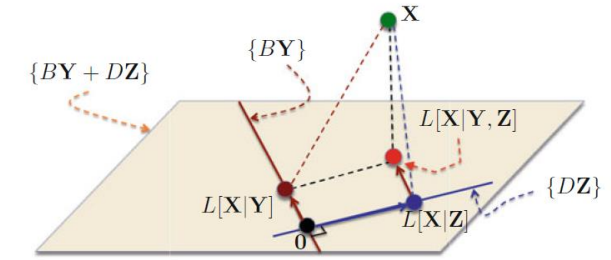
## MMSE for Jointly Gaussian RVs

- Theorem: Let  $X, Y$  be JG RVs. Then,

$$E[X|Y] = L[X|Y] = E(X) + \frac{\text{cov}(X,Y)}{\text{var}(Y)}(Y - E(Y)).$$

## Important Results for LLSE

- Theorem (LLSE Orthogonal Update): Assume that  $X, Y, Z$  are zero-mean RVs, and that  $Y, Z$  are orthogonal. Then,  $L[X|Y, Z] = L[X|Y] + L[X|Z]$ .
- Theorem (LLSE General Update): Assume that  $X, Y, Z$  are zero-mean RVs. Then,  $L[X|Y, Z] = L[X|Y] + L[X|Z - L[Z|Y]]$ .
- LLSE Properties:
  - $L[a_1X_1 + a_2X_2|Y] = a_1L[X_1|Y] + a_2L[X_2|Y]$ .
  - $L[L[X|Y, Z]|Y] = L[X|Y]$ .
  - If  $X, Y$  are uncorrelated,  $L[X|Y] = E(X)$ .



## Scalar Kalman Filter (KF)

- Consider a system with state  $x_n$  and output  $y_n$ :

$$x_n = ax_{n-1} + v_n, |a| < 1, \text{ and}$$

$$y_n = cx_n + w_n, n \geq 1, \text{ where}$$

$x_0, \{v_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{w_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  are orthogonal zero-mean RVs,

$$\text{with } E(v_n^2) = \sigma_v^2, E(w_n^2) = \sigma_w^2.$$

Find  $\hat{x}_{n|n} := L[x_n | y_1, \dots, y_n], n \geq 1$ , recursively.

- Examples: Particle Positon, Chemical Reaction, Econometry, ...
- Solution (assuming  $c = 1$ ):

Compute  $\hat{x}_{1|1}$  and iterate for  $n \geq 2$  using

$$\hat{x}_{n|n} = a\hat{x}_{n-1|n-1} + k_n(y_n - a\hat{x}_{n-1|n-1}), \text{ where } k_n \text{'s can be computed offline.}$$

Compute  $\sigma_{1|1}^2$  and iterate for  $n \geq 2$  using

$$E((x_n - \hat{x}_{n|n-1})^2) =: \sigma_{n|n-1}^2 = a^2 \sigma_{n-1|n-1}^2 + \sigma_v^2$$

$$k_n = \frac{\sigma_{n|n-1}^2}{\sigma_{n|n-1}^2 + \sigma_w^2}$$

$$E((x_n - \hat{x}_{n|n})^2) =: \sigma_{n|n}^2 = \sigma_{n|n-1}^2(1 - k_n)$$

- Example: Obtain  $\hat{x}_{1|1}$  and  $\sigma_{1|1}^2$  for initializing the KF recursions when  $x_0 = 0$ .

## Vector Kalman Filter (KF)

- Consider a system with state  $X_n$  and output  $Y_n$ :

$$X_n = AX_{n-1} + V_n, \text{ and}$$

$$Y_n = CX_n + W_n, n \geq 1, \text{ where}$$

$X_0, \{V_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{W_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  are orthogonal zero-mean Random Vectors,

with  $\Sigma_v$  and  $\Sigma_W$  being the covariance matrices for each  $V_n$  and  $W_n$ , resp.

Find  $\hat{X}_{n|n} := L[X_n | Y_1, \dots, Y_n], n \geq 1$ , recursively.

- Solution:

Compute  $\hat{X}_{1|1}$  and iterate for  $n \geq 2$  using

$$\hat{X}_{n|n} = A\hat{X}_{n-1|n-1} + K_n(Y_n - CA\hat{X}_{n-1|n-1}), \text{ where } K_n\text{'s can be computed offline.}$$

Compute  $\Sigma_{1|1}$  and iterate for  $n \geq 2$  using

$$\text{cov}(X_n - \hat{X}_{n|n-1}) := \Sigma_{n|n-1} = A\Sigma_{n-1|n-1}A' + \Sigma_V$$

$$K_n = \Sigma_{n|n-1}C'(C\Sigma_{n|n-1}C' + \Sigma_W)^{-1}$$

$$\text{cov}(X_n - \hat{X}_{n|n}) := \Sigma_{n|n} = (I - K_nC)\Sigma_{n|n-1}$$



