

Lecture

Kalman Filtering Example

EE 570: Location and Navigation

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1 Kalman Filter

Review: System Model

$$\dot{\vec{x}}(t) = F(t)\vec{x}(t) + G(t)\vec{w}(t) \quad (1)$$

$$\vec{y}(t) = H(t)\vec{x}(t) + \vec{v}(t) \quad (2)$$

System Discretization

$$\Phi_{k-1} = e^{F_{k-1}\tau_s} \approx \mathcal{I} + F_{k-1}\tau_s \quad (3)$$

where F_{k-1} is the average of F at times t and $t - \tau_s$, and first order approximation is used. Leading to

$$\vec{x}_k = \Phi_{k-1} \vec{x}_{k-1} + \vec{w}_{k-1} \quad (4)$$

$$\vec{z}_k = H_k \vec{x}_k + \vec{v}_k \quad (5)$$

where Φ_{k-1} is $(n \times n)$ transition matrix relating \vec{x}_{k-1} to \vec{x}_k , H_k is $(m \times n)$ matrix provides noiseless connection between measurement and state vectors.

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Review: Assumptions

- \vec{w}_k and \vec{v}_k are drawn from a Gaussian distribution, uncorrelated have zero mean and statistically independent.

$$\mathbb{E}\{\vec{w}_k \vec{w}_i^T\} = \begin{cases} Q_k & i = k \\ 0 & i \neq k \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbb{E}\{\vec{v}_k \vec{v}_i^T\} = \begin{cases} R_k & i = k \\ 0 & i \neq k \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

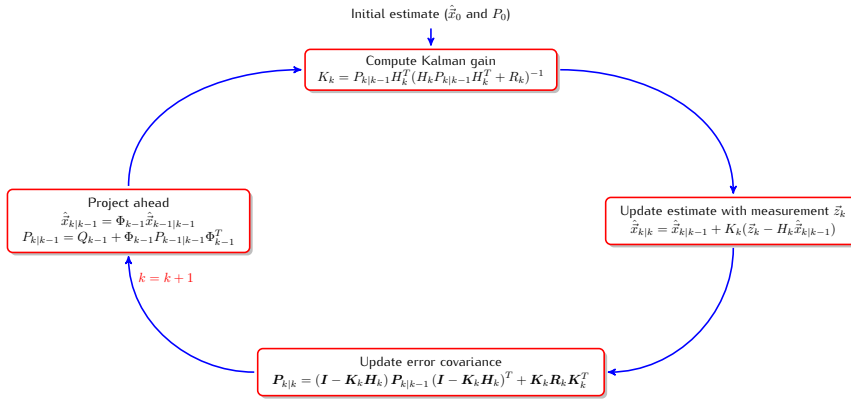
$$\mathbb{E}\{\vec{w}_k \vec{v}_i^T\} = \begin{cases} 0 & \forall i, k \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

- State covariance matrix

$$Q_{k-1} \approx \frac{1}{2} [\Phi_{k-1} G_{k-1} Q(t_{k-1}) G_{k-1}^T \Phi_{k-1}^T + G_{k-1} Q(t_{k-1}) G_{k-1}^T] \tau_s \quad (9)$$

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Review: Kalman filter data flow



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Remarks

- Kalman filter (KF) is optimal under the assumptions that the system is linear and the noise is uncorrelated
- Under these assumptions KF provides an unbiased and minimum variance estimate.
- If the Gaussian assumptions is not true, Kalman filter is biased and not minimum variance.
- If the noise is correlated we can augment the states of the system to maintain the uncorrelated requirement of the system noise.

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2 State Augmentation

Correlated State Noise

Given a state space system

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_1(t) = F_1(t)\vec{x}_1(t) + G_1(t)\vec{w}_1(t)$$

$$\vec{y}_1(t) = H_1(t)\vec{x}_1(t) + \vec{v}_1(t)$$

As we have seen the noise $\vec{w}_1(t)$ may be non-white, e.g., correlated Gaussian noise, and as such may be modeled as

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_2(t) = F_2(t)\vec{x}_2(t) + G_2(t)\vec{w}_2(t)$$

$$\vec{w}_1(t) = H_2(t)\vec{x}_2(t)$$

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Correlated State Noise

Define a new augmented state

$$\vec{x}_{aug} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1(t) \\ \vec{x}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

therefore,

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_{aug} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\vec{x}}_1(t) \\ \dot{\vec{x}}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F_1(t) & G_1 H_2(t) \\ 0 & F_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1(t) \\ \vec{x}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ G_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \vec{w}_2(t) \quad (11)$$

and

$$\vec{y}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} H_1(t) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1(t) \\ \vec{x}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} + \vec{v}_1(t) \quad (12)$$

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Correlated Measurement Noise

Given a state space system

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_1(t) = F_1(t)\vec{x}_1(t) + G_1(t)\vec{w}(t)$$

$$\vec{y}_1(t) = H_1(t)\vec{x}_1(t) + \vec{v}_1(t)$$

In this case the measurement noise \vec{v}_1 may be correlated

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_2(t) = F_2(t)\vec{x}_2(t) + G_2(t)\vec{v}_2(t)$$

$$\vec{v}_1(t) = H_2(t)\vec{x}_2(t)$$

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Correlated Measurement Noise

Define a new augmented state

$$\vec{x}_{aug} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1(t) \\ \vec{x}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

therefore,

$$\dot{\vec{x}}_{aug} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\vec{x}}_1(t) \\ \dot{\vec{x}}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F_1(t) & 0 \\ 0 & F_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1(t) \\ \vec{x}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} G_1(t) & 0 \\ 0 & G_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{w}(t) \\ \vec{v}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad (14)$$

and

$$\vec{y}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} H_1(1) & H_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}_1(t) \\ \vec{x}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad (15)$$

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3 Example

Design Example

You are to design a system that estimates the position and velocity of a moving point in a straight line. You have:

1. an accelerometer corrupted with noise
2. an aiding sensor allowing you to measure absolute position that is also corrupted with noise.

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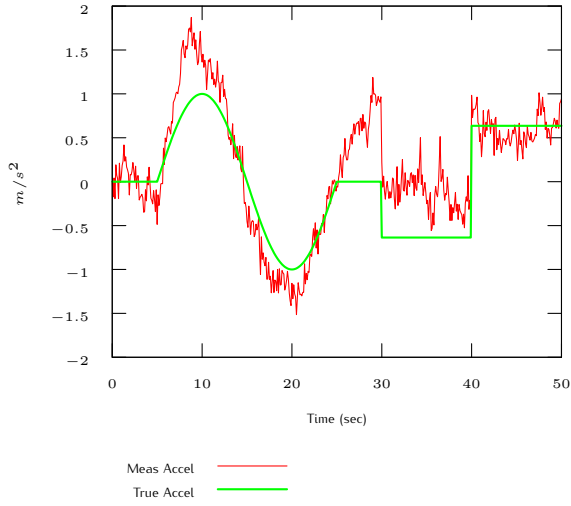
Specification

- Sampling Rate $F_s = 100\text{Hz}$.
- Accelerometer specs
 1. $\text{VRW} = 1mg/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$.
 2. $\text{BI} = 7mg$ with correlation time 6s.
- Position measurement is corrupted with WGN. $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_p^2)$, where $\sigma_p = 2.5\text{m}$

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Input - Acceleration

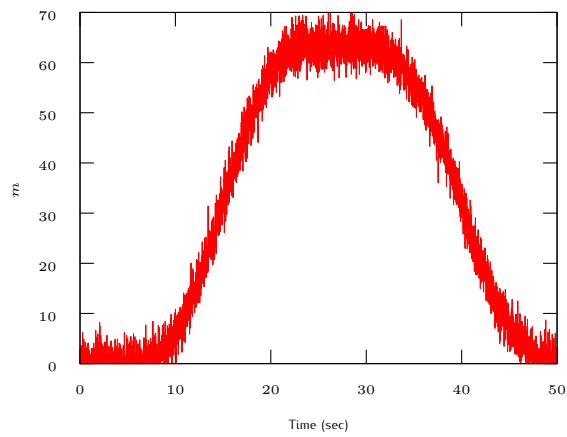
True Acceleration and Acceleration with Noise



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Aiding Position Measurement

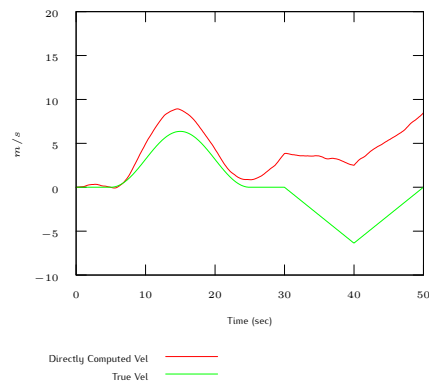
Absolute position measurement corrupted with noise



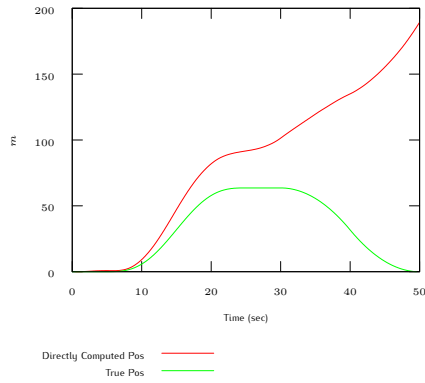
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Computed Position and Velocity

Using only the acceleration measurement and an integration approach to compute the velocity, then integrate again to get position.



Velocity



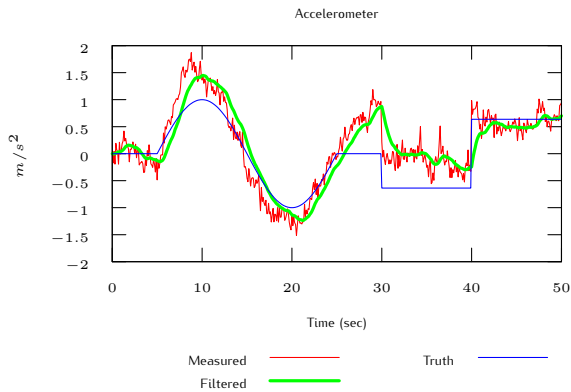
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Different Approaches

1. Clean up the noisy input to the system by filtering
2. Use Kalman filtering techniques with
 - A model of the system dynamics (too restrictive)
 - A model of the error dynamics and correct the system output in
 - open-loop configuration, or
 - closed-loop configuration.

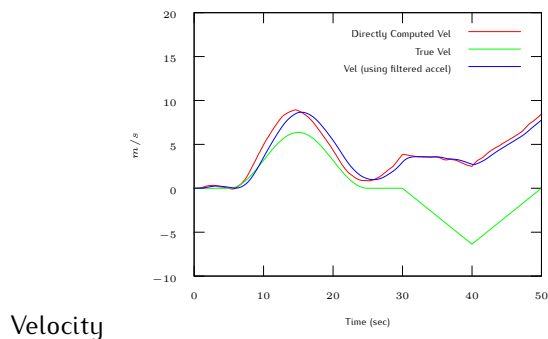
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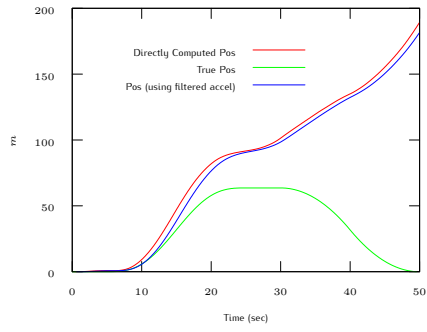
Approach 1 — Filtered input Filtered Accel Measurement



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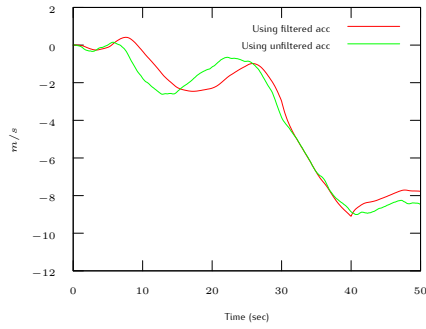
Approach 1 — Filtered input Position and Velocity



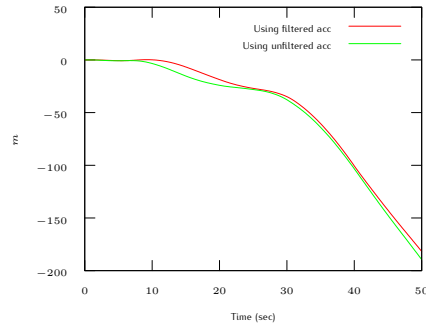


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Approach 1 — Filtered input Position and Velocity Errors

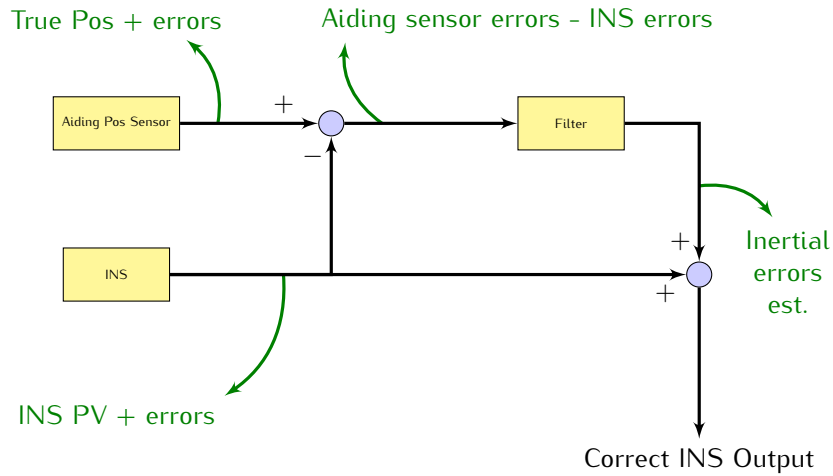


Velocity Error



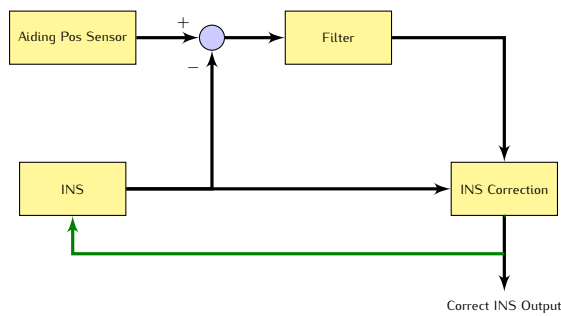
Position Error

Open-Loop Integration



Closed-Loop Integration

If error estimates are fed back to correct the INS mechanization, a reset of the state estimates becomes necessary.



Covariance Matrices

- State noise covariance matrix (continuous)

$$\mathbb{E}\{\vec{w}(t)\vec{w}^T(\tau)\} = Q(t)\delta(t - \tau)$$

- State noise covariance matrix (discrete)

$$\mathbb{E}\{\vec{w}_k\vec{w}_i^T\} = \begin{cases} Q_k & i = k \\ 0 & i \neq k \end{cases}$$

- Measurement noise covariance matrix

$$\mathbb{E}\{\vec{v}_k\vec{v}_i^T\} = \begin{cases} R_k & i = k \\ 0 & i \neq k \end{cases}$$

- Initial error covariance matrix

$$P_0 = \mathbb{E}\{(\vec{x}_0 - \hat{\vec{x}}_0)(\vec{x}_0 - \hat{\vec{x}}_0)^T\} = \mathbb{E}\{\vec{e}_0\vec{e}_0^T\}$$

System Modeling

The position, velocity and acceleration may be modeled using the following kinematic model.

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{p}(t) &= v(t) \\ \dot{v}(t) &= a(t)\end{aligned}\tag{16}$$

where $a(t)$ is the input. Therefore, our estimate of the position is $\hat{p}(t)$ that is the double integration of the acceleration.

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Sensor Model

Assuming that the accelerometer sensor measurement may be modeled as

$$\tilde{a}(t) = a(t) + b(t) + w_a(t)\tag{17}$$

and the bias is Markov, therefore

$$\dot{b}(t) = -\frac{1}{T_c}b(t) + w_b(t)\tag{18}$$

where $w_a(t)$ and $w_b(t)$ are zero mean WGN with variances, respectively, $F_s \cdot VRW^2$

$$\mathbb{E}\{w_b(t)w_b(t+\tau)\} = Q_b(t)\delta(t-\tau)\tag{19}$$

$$Q_b(t) = \frac{2\sigma_{BI}^2}{T_c}\tag{20}$$

and T_c is the correlation time and σ_{BI} is the bias instability.

Make sure that the VRW and σ_{BI} are converted to have SI units.

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Error Mechanization

Define error terms as

$$\delta p(t) = p(t) - \hat{p}(t),\tag{21}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \dot{p}(t) &= \dot{p}(t) - \dot{\hat{p}}(t) \\ &= v(t) - \hat{v}(t) \\ &= \delta v(t)\end{aligned}\tag{22}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \dot{v}(t) &= \dot{v}(t) - \dot{\hat{v}}(t) \\ &= a(t) - \hat{a}(t) \\ &= -b(t) - w_a(t)\end{aligned}\tag{23}$$

where $b(t)$ is modeled as shown in Eq. 18

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State Space Formulation

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\vec{x}}(t) &= \begin{pmatrix} \delta \dot{p}(t) \\ \delta \dot{v}(t) \\ \dot{b}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{T_c} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta p(t) \\ \delta v(t) \\ b(t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ w_a(t) \\ w_b(t) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= F(t)\vec{x}(t) + G(t)\vec{w}(t)\end{aligned}\tag{24}$$

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Covariance Matrix

- The continuous state noise covariance matrix $Q(t)$ is

$$Q(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & VRW^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2\sigma_{BI}^2}{T_c} \end{pmatrix} \quad (25)$$

- The measurement noise covariance matrix is $R = \sigma_p^2$, where σ_p is the standard deviation of the noise of the absolute position sensor.

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Discretization

Now we are ready to start the implementation but first we have to discretize the system.

$$\vec{x}(k+1) = \Phi(k)\vec{x}(k) + \vec{w}_d(k) \quad (26)$$

where

$$\Phi(k) \approx \mathcal{I} + Fdt \quad (27)$$

with the measurement equation

$$y(k) = H\vec{x} + w_p(k) = \delta p(k) + w_p(k) \quad (28)$$

where $H = [1 \ 0 \ 0]$. The discrete Q_d is approximated as

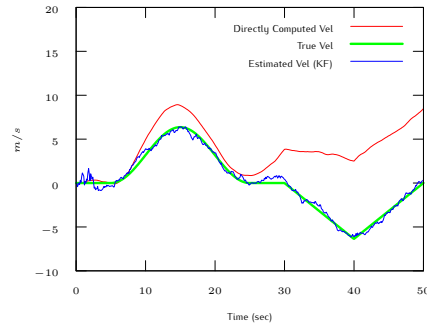
$$Q_{k-1} \approx \frac{1}{2} [\Phi_{k-1} G(t_{k-1}) Q(t_{k-1}) G^T(t_{k-1}) \Phi_{k-1}^T + G(t_{k-1}) Q(t_{k-1}) G^T(t_{k-1})] dt \quad (29)$$

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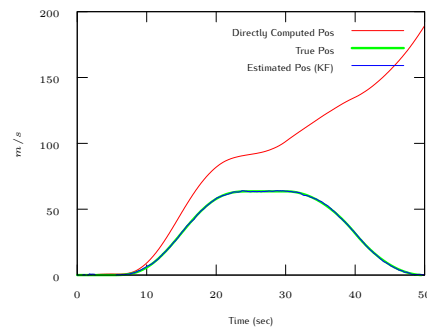
Approach 2 — Open-Loop Compensation Position and Velocity

Open-loop Correction

Best estimate = INS out (pos & vel) + KF est error (pos & vel)



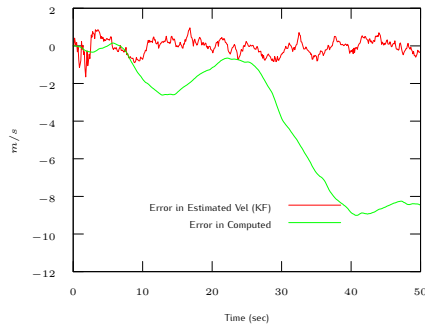
Velocity



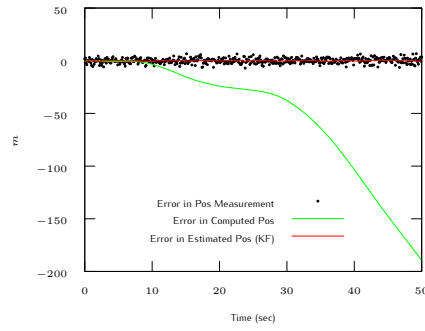
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Approach 2 — Open-Loop Compensation Position and Velocity Errors



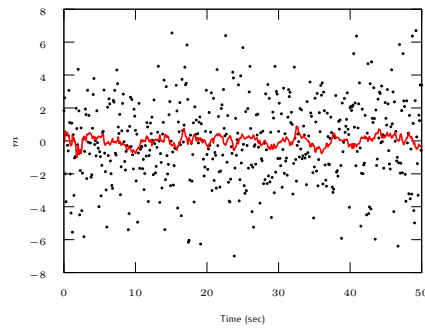
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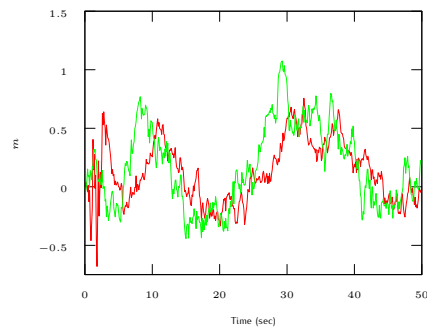
Position Error

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Approach 2 — Open-Loop Compensation Pos Error & Bias Estimate



Position Error



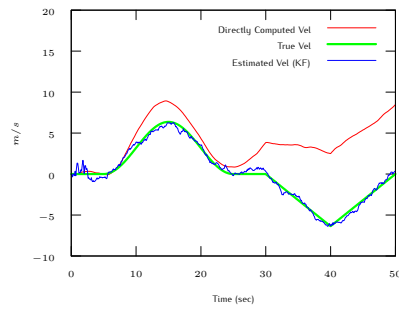
Bias

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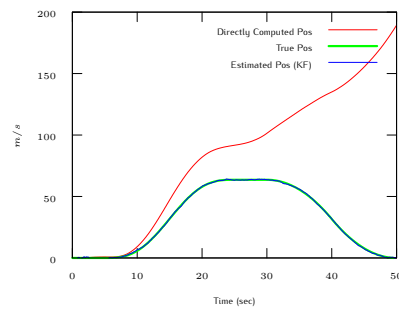
Approach 3 — Closed-Loop Compensation

Closed-loop Correction

Best estimate = INS out (pos,vel, & bias) + KF est error (pos, vel & bias) Use best estimate on next iteration of INS
Accel estimate = accel meas - est bias
Reset state estimates before next call to KF

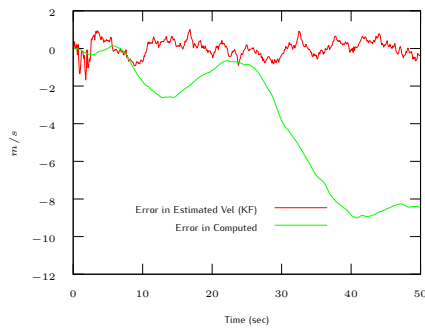


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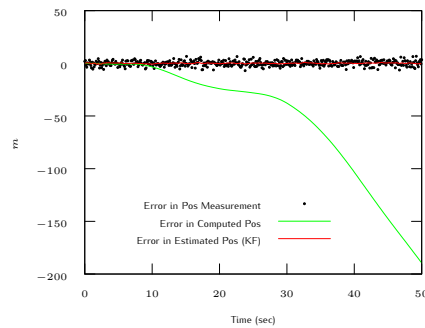


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Approach 3 — Closed-Loop Compensation Position and Velocity Errors

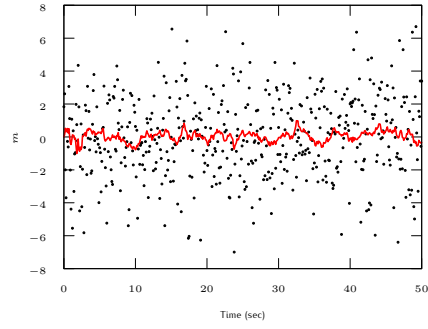


Velocity Error



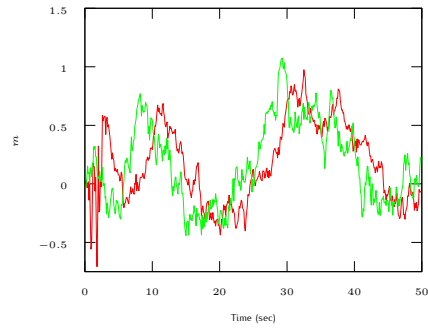
Position Error

Approach 3 — Closed-Loop Compensation Pos Error & Bias Estimate



Position Error

Error in Pos Measurement •
Error in Estimated Pos (KF) —



Bias

Est. Bias —
True Bias —