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LAB9

https://cei-lab.github.io/FastRobots-2023/Lab9.html



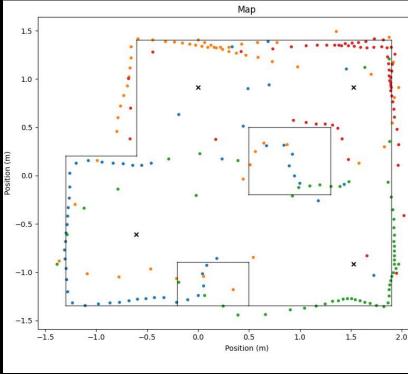
#### LAB 9 - Mapping

- Objective: Generate map using your robot and ToF sensor
- Strategy: Place your robot in (at least) 4 marked positions on the floor and spin while taking measurements.
- Control:
  - Open loop
  - Orientation control
  - Angular speed control
- Sanity check: Polar plot, repeated polar plots
- Scatter plot: Use the transformation matrix
- Convert to a line-based map
- Great example from 2022

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https://pages.github.coecis.cornell.edu/avp34/ECE46 00-webpage/lab9.html





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#### **Bayes Filter II**

#### Algorithm Bayes\_Filter $(bel(x_{t-1}), u_t, z_t)$ :

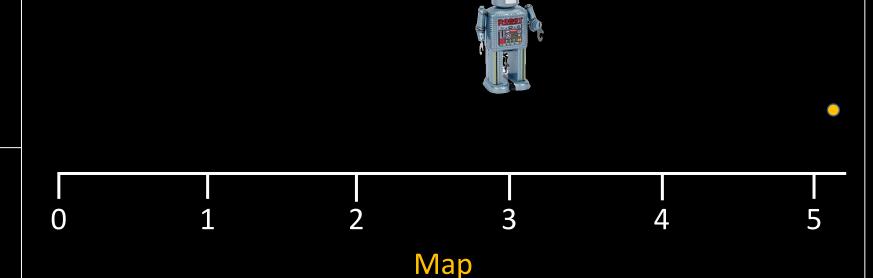
- 1. for all  $x_t$  do
- 2.  $\overline{bel}(x_t) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} p(x_t|u_t, x_{t-1}) \ bel(x_{t-1})$  [Prediction Step]
- 3.  $bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t|x_t) \overline{bel}(x_t)$  [Update/Measurement Step]
- 4. endfor
- 5. return  $bel(x_t)$
- Example 1
  - Robot in a 1D world
  - The importance of having some belief in all states
- Example 2
  - Bayes with beans
  - Remember to normalize!

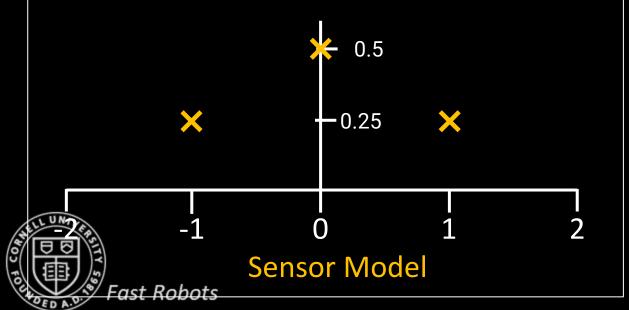
- Example 3
  - (x,y)-robot in a grid world
  - Computational efficiency
    - Matrices
    - Pre-cache observations

• What do we need to run the Bayes filter?

$$p(x|z) = ?$$

$$P(Z=door | X=5) = 0.5$$
  
 $P(Z=door | X=4) = 0.25$   
 $P(Z=door | X=3) = 0$ 





**Motion Model** 

#### At t = 0, no information

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) |   |   |   |   |   |   |



#### At t = 0, no information

| State              | 0             | 1      | 2             | 3             | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---------------|--------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) | $\frac{1}{6}$ | 1<br>6 | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ |

#### At t = 1, $U_1 = do_nothing$ , $Z_1 = door$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|                    |   |   |   |   |   |   |

Do we have to do the prediction step?

Do the update step!



#### At t = 0, no information

| State              | 0             | 1             | 2             | 3             | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ |

#### At t = 1, $U_1 = do_nothing$ , $Z_1 = door$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 5  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{2}}$ | $\frac{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{2}}$ |
| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 5  |
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{3}$  | $\frac{2}{3}$  |

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| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{3}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ |

#### At t = 2, $U_2 = -1$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>2</sub> ) |   |   |   |   |   |   |



#### At t = 1, $U_1 = do_nothing$ , $Z_1 = door$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{3}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ |

#### At t = 2, $U_2 = -1$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3                                | 4   | 5                                |
|--------------------|---|---|---|----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| p(x <sub>2</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}$ |

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3             | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>2</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{3}$ |

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#### At t = 2, $U_2 = -1$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3             | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{3}$ |

#### At t = 2, $U_2 = -1$ , $Z_2 = door$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>2</sub> ) |   |   |   |   |   |   |



#### At t = 1, $U_1 = do_nothing$ , $Z_1 = door$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3             | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{3}$ |

#### At t = 2, $U_2 = -1$ , $Z_2 = door$

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3                      | 4  | 5  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|------------------------|--|--|
| p(x <sub>2</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{6} \times 0$ | $\frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}}$ | $\frac{\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}}$ |

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>2</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{3}{7}$ | $\frac{4}{7}$ |

#### **Bayes Filter - Example 1 (initial conditions 1)**

At t=0, we are absolutely certain the robot is at state  $X_0 = 0$ 

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) |   |   |   |   |   |   |



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| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

At t=1,  $U_1 = do_nothing$ ,  $Z_1 = door$ 

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) |   |   |   |   |   |   |



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| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

At t=1,  $U_1 = do_nothing$ ,  $Z_1 = door$ 

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |



#### **Bayes Filter - Example 1 (initial conditions 2)**

At t=0, we are "absolutely" certain the robot is at state  $X_0 = 0$ 

| State              | 0               | 1               | 2               | 3               | 4               | 5               |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) | $\frac{19}{20}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ |

At t=1,  $U_1 = do_nothing$  ,  $Z_1 = door$ 

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| p(x <sub>1</sub> ) |   |   |   |   |   |   |



#### **Bayes Filter - Example 1 (initial conditions 2)**

At t=0, we are "absolutely" certain the robot is at state  $X_0 = 0$ 

| State              | 0               | 1               | 2               | 3               | 4               | 5               |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) | $\frac{19}{20}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ |

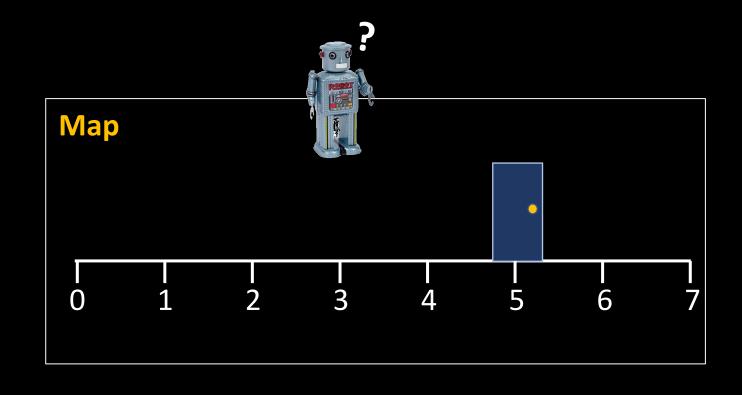
At t=1,  $U_1 = do_nothing$  ,  $Z_1 = door$ 

| State              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4             | 5             |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---------------|---------------|
| p(x <sub>0</sub> ) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{3}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ |

Always believe, even if just a little, in the improbable! (deterministic approaches are fragile!)

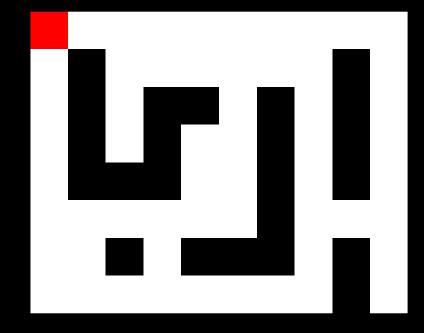


- Bayes with beans
  - World
    - 1D continuous robot world
    - Discretized into 7 states
    - ...with a door at state 5
  - Motion model
    - 80% correct, 20% fails
  - Sensor model
    - 90% correct, 10% fails
  - Initial belief
  - Take an action: +1
  - Take a sensor reading: door!





- 8x10 discrete world
  - Known map with obstacles and walls
- Robot state
  - Location in the map (no orientation)
  - Initial state is (0,0)

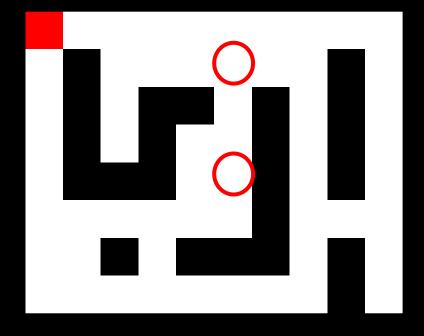


X is the set of possible locations x is one of these locations



- Transition model
  - No matter what I tell my robot to do, it makes a random move or stays in place!
  - E.g.

|     | 1/5 |     |     | 1/4 |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1/5 | 1/5 | 1/5 | 1/4 | 1/4 |
|     | 1/5 |     |     | 1/4 |

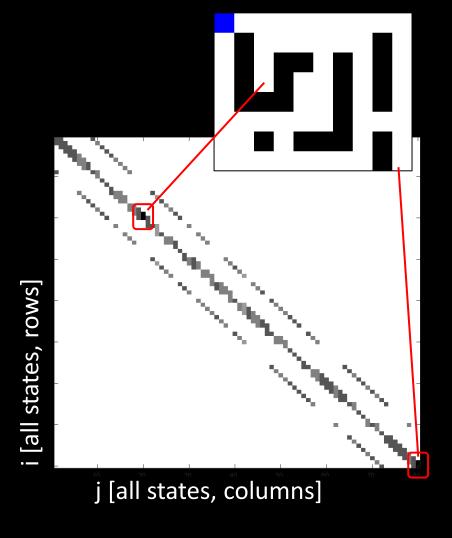


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- Transition model
  - No matter what I tell my robot to do, it makes a random move or stays in place!
  - Transition matrix, A
    - Probability to move from state j to state i

|     | 1/5 |     |     | 1/4 |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1/5 | 1/5 | 1/5 | 1/4 | 1/4 |
|     | 1/5 |     |     | 1/4 |

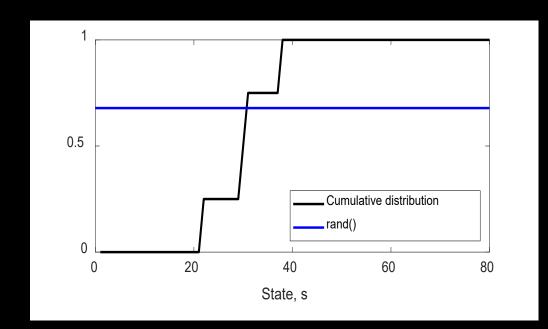


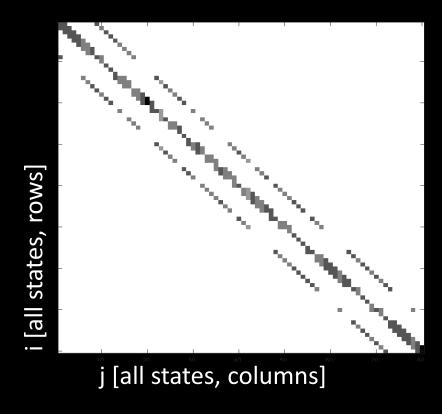


- Practical implementation
  - Set up our world
  - Compute the transition matrix, A
  - Take actions

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- Cumulative distribution
- find(Mtri\*A\*s >= rand(),1,'first');





Prediction step

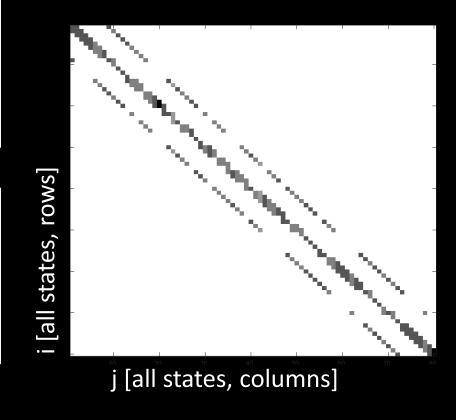
#### **Prediction step** ( $bel(x_{t-1}), u_t$ ):

- 1. for all  $x_t$  do
- 2.  $\overline{bel}(x_t) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} p(x_t | y_t, x_{t-1}) bel(x_{t-1})$
- 3. endfor

#### **Matrix implementation**

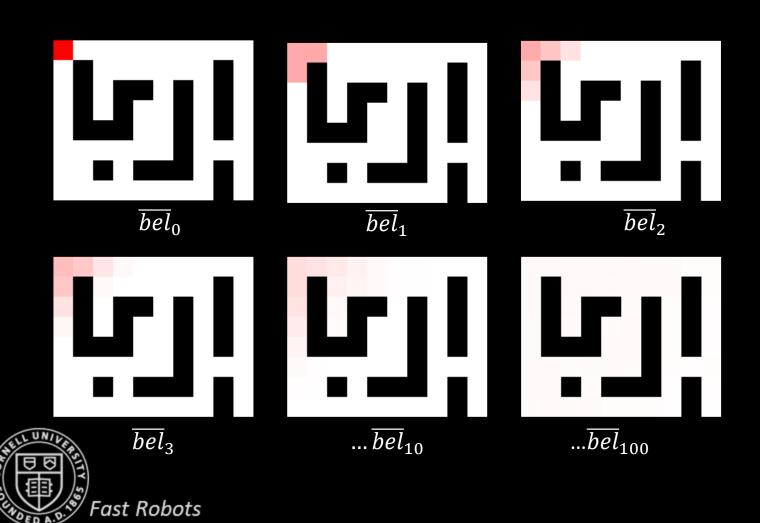
1.  $\overline{bel} = A bel_{t-1}$ 

...where A is the transition matrix (80x80) and bel is the probability distribution over all states (80x1)



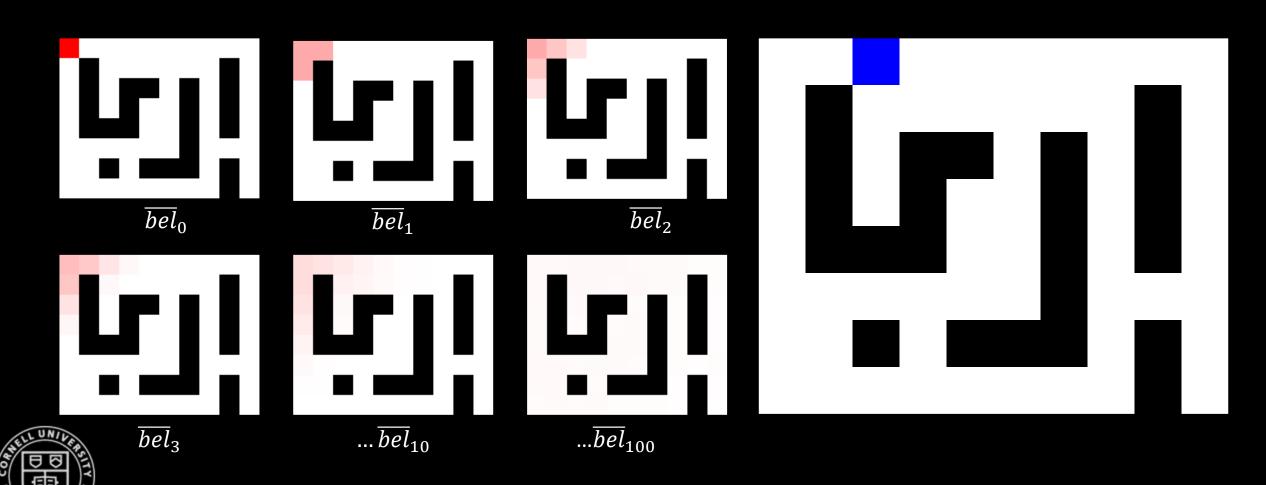


Prediction step

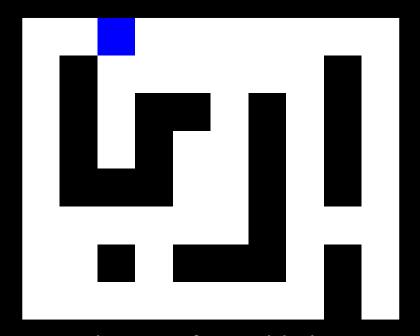


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- The robot may not know where it is, but it does have a physical state
- And it will have observations tied to that state



- Observation model
  - In every time step, we sense each of the four neighboring cells [N, E, S, W]
  - In z, each reading is independent and correct with 90% probability



X is the set of possible locationsx is one of these locationsz are the sensor measurements



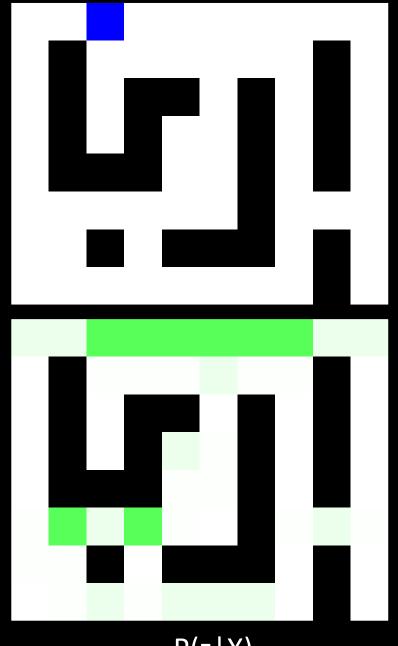
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• P(no walls | x) = 0.1*0.9*0.9*0.9
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• P(N | x) = 0.9*0.9*0.9*0.9  highest
• P(W | x) = 0.1*0.9*0.9*0.1 likelihood
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- P(S | x) = 0.1\*0.9\*0.1\*0.9
- P(E | x) = 0.1\*0.1\*0.9\*0.9
- •
- P(NW | x) = 0.9\*0.9\*0.9\*0.1
  - How many combinations are there per state?
    - 2<sup>4</sup>

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- Observation model
  - In every time step, we sense each of the four neighboring cells [N, E, S, W]
  - In z, each reading is independent and correct with 90% probability

#### **Algorithm Bayes\_Filter** $(bel(x_{t-1}), u_t, z_t)$ :

- 1. for all  $x_t$  do
- 2.  $\overline{bel}(x_t) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} p(x_t|u_t, x_{t-1}) bel(x_{t-1})$
- 3.  $bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t|x_t) \overline{bel}(x_t)$
- 4. endfor

5. return  $bel(x_t)$ 

- If all readings are correct:
  - $\sum |z_t z'_{xt}| = 0$
  - $p_z(x_t) = 0.6561$
- If all readings are wrong:
  - $| \bullet \quad \sum |z_t z'_{xt}| = 4$
  - $p_z(x_t) = 0.0001$

#### Compute likelihood of observations, p<sub>zX</sub>

- 1. for all  $x_t$  do
- 2.  $p_{zX}(x_t) = 0.9^{4-\sum |z_t-z'_{xt}|} 0.1^{\sum |z_t-z'_{xt}|}$
- 3. Endfor

...where  $p_{zX}$  is a vector (80x1)



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  - In every time step, we sense each of the four neighboring cells [N, E, S, W]
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#### **Algorithm Bayes\_Filter** $(bel(x_{t-1}), \overline{u_t}, \overline{z_t})$ :

- 1. for all  $x_t$  do
- 2.  $\overline{bel}(x_t) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) bel(x_{t-1})$
- 3.  $bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t|x_t) \overline{bel}(x_t)$
- 4. endfor

5. return  $bel(x_t)$ 

#### Compute new belief

1. 
$$bel_t = p_{zx} \overline{bel} / \sum (p_{zx} \overline{bel})$$

...where  $\overline{bel}$  is a vector (80x1) and  $p_{zx}$  is a vector (80x1)



Bayes Filter

#### Algorithm Bayes\_Filter( $bel_{t-1}, z_t$ ):

1. 
$$\overline{bel} = A bel_{t-1}$$

2. for all  $x_t$  do

3. 
$$p_{zx}(x_t) = 0.9^{4-\sum |z_t - z'_{xt}|} 0.1^{\sum |z_t - z'_{xt}|}$$

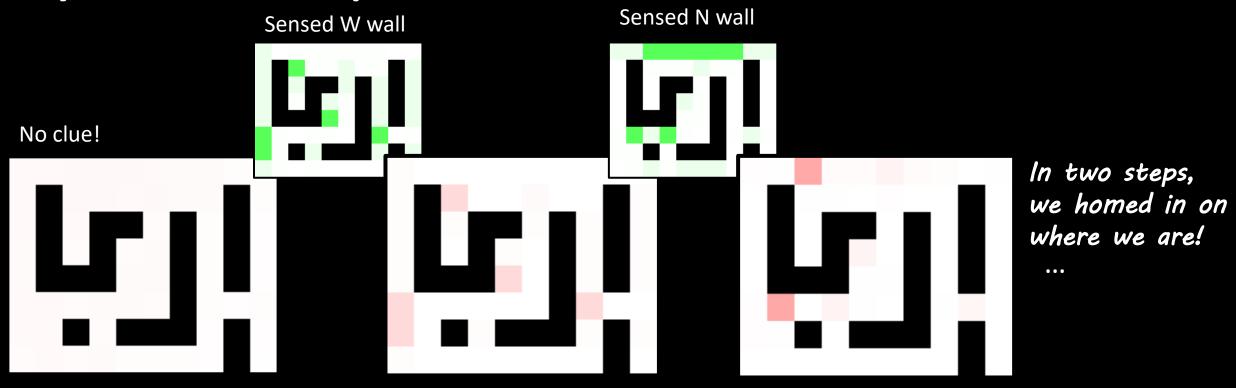
4. end for

5. 
$$bel_{t} = \overline{bel} p_{zX} / \sum (\overline{bel} p_{zX})$$

Only do computations for states with a belief > threshold

Precache and look up for faster operation





- · How good is the Bayes Filter?
- · Can you do better?

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- Improved transition model
- Deliberately move in directions that give you more information

#### **Bayes Filter II**

# Algorithm Bayes\_Filter ( $bel(x_{t-1}), u_t, z_t$ ): 1. for all $x_t$ do 2. $\overline{bel}(x_t) = \sum_{x_{t-1}} p(x_t|u_t, x_{t-1}) \ bel(x_{t-1})$ [Prediction Step] 3. $bel(x_t) = \eta \ p(z_t|x_t) \ \overline{bel}(x_t)$ [Update/Measurement Step] 4. endfor

- Example 1
  - Robot in a 1D world
  - The importance of having some belief in all states
- Example 2

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- Bayes with beans
- The importance of normalization

return  $bel(x_t)$ 

- Example 3
  - (x,y)-robot in a grid world
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#### **Summary**

- Use temporal consistency between observations that are poor estimates individually
- Localization can work with...
  - ...completely random motion
  - ...noisy sensors
  - Remember to...
    - Don't be deterministic
    - Normalize
    - Efficient computation

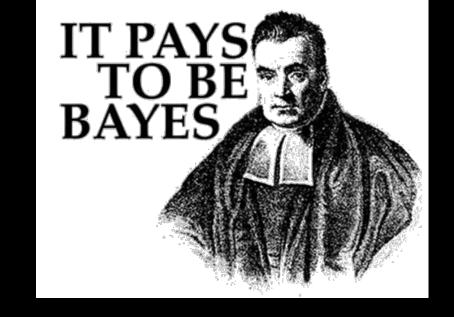
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3. 
$$bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t|x_t) \overline{bel}(x_t)$$

- 4. endfor
- 5. return  $bel(x_t)$





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Flipped Classroom 4/13/23 (*Thursday!*)

Please install the simulator

https://cei-lab.github.io/FastRobots-2023/FastRobots-Sim.html

