

OPTIMAL STATE ESTIMATION FOR A STOCHASTIC DYNAMICAL
SYSTEM FROM POINT PROCESS OBSERVATIONS

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This paper is devoted to the problem of optimal state estimation for a stochastic dynamical system of the form

$$dX_t = a(t, X_t) dt + \sum_{j=1}^m a_j(t, X_t) d\mu_t^j \quad (*)$$

where $\mu_t = (\mu_t^1, \dots, \mu_t^m)$ is a martingale, and the observation process is a point process Y_t of intensity h_t .

Some preliminaries on Innovation Method for Point Process Filtering are given in the two first sections. In Section 3, we recall some results on filtering for a semimartingale from point observations. In Section 3, we consider the filtering process corresponding to system (*) and derive the filtering equations in the two important cases of Brownian motion and Poisson martingales.

1. PRELIMINARIES

Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a complete probability space equipped with a right continuous increasing family of σ -fields $\mathcal{F}_t (t \geq 0)$ of \mathcal{F} . The signal process will be an \mathcal{F}_t -adapted stochastic process X_t . The observations will be given by a n -dimensional point process Y_t of the form

$$Y_t = \int_0^t h_s ds + M_t \quad (1.1)$$

where M_t is an n -dimensional \mathcal{F}_t -martingale such that:

a) for any t the future σ -field $\sigma(M_u - M_t : u \geq t)$ is independent of the past one $\sigma(\gamma_u, h_u : u \leq t)$

b) the n -dimensional process $h_t = (h_t^1, \dots, h_t^n)$ contains informations about X and $E[\sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t |h_s^i|^2 ds] < \infty$ for any $t \geq 0$.

Denote by F_t^Y the σ -field generated by Y_t :

$$F_t^Y = \sigma(Y_s, s \leq t).$$

The conditional expectation

$$E(X_t | F_t^Y) \quad (1.2)$$

will be called the optimal state estimation (filtering) of X_t . It will be denoted by π . Thus

$$\pi(X_t) = E(X_t | F_t^Y)$$

2. INNOVATION FROM POINT PROCESS OBSERVATIONS

Let m_t be an n -dimensional process defined by

$$m_t = Y_t - \int_0^t \pi(h_s) ds \quad (2.1)$$

THEOREM 1. m_t is a point process F_t^Y -martingale and for any t , the future σ -field $\sigma(m_u - m_t : u \geq t)$ is independent of F_t^Y .

Proof. We have, for any $t > s$

$$E(m_t - m_s | F_s^Y) = E\left(\int_0^t (h_u - \pi(h_u)) du | F_s^Y\right) + E(M_t - M_s | F_s^Y).$$

Since $E(h_u | F_s^Y) = E(\pi(h_u) | F_s^Y), (u \leq s)$

it follows that the first member of the right hand side is 0. The second member $E(M_t - M_s | F_t^Y)$ is also 0 because of independence of the future $\sigma(M_t - M_s,$

$t \geq s$) on the past $F_t^Y = \sigma(Y_s, s \leq t)$. Therefore $E(m_t - m_s | F_s^Y) = 0$, so m_t is an F_t^Y -martingale and $\sigma(m_t - m_s, t \geq s)$ is independent of F_s^Y .

Remark. Since m_t is F_t^Y -measurable, it is obvious that the σ -field generated by m_t is included in F_t^Y : $\sigma(m_s; s \leq t) \subseteq F_t^Y$. If $\sigma(m_s; s \leq t) \equiv F_t^Y$ for any t , the process m_t is called the innovation.

THEOREM 2. (Bremaud, cf. [1]). *Integral Representation*

THEOREM. Let R_t be a F_t^Y -martingale. Then there exists a F_t^Y -predictable vector process $K_t = (K_t^1, \dots, K_t^n)$ such that for all $t \geq 0$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t K_s^i \pi(h_s^i) ds < \infty \quad P\text{-a.s.} \quad (2.2)$$

and such that R_t has the following representation

$$R_t = R_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t K_s^i dm_s^i,$$

or using Kunita's notation [2]:

$$R_t = R_0 + \int_0^t (K_s, dm_s). \quad (2.3)$$

3. NON-LINEAR FILTERING FOR A SEMIMARTINGALE FROM POINT PROCESS OBSERVATIONS

In this Section the signal process is supposed to be an one-dimensional semimartingale of the form

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t H_s d_s + Z_t \quad (3.1)$$

where Z_t is an F_t -martingale, H_t is a bounded F_t -progressive process and $E(\sup_{s \leq t} |X_s|) < \infty$.

The observations are still given by a one dimensional point process of intensity h_t :

$$Y_t = \int_0^t h_s d_s + M_t \quad (3.2)$$

where M_t is an F_t -martingale of 0-mean and $h_t = h(X_t)$ is a positive bounded F_t -progressive process.

Denote again by m_t the corresponding innovation:

$$m_t = Y_t - \int_0^t \pi(h_s) ds \quad (3.3)$$

which is a F_t^Y -martingale of point process. Then, the filtering process $\pi(X_t)$ is determined by

THEOREM 3 (see [4])

$$\pi(X_t) = \pi(X_0) + \int_0^t \pi(H_s) ds + \int_0^t K_s \cdot dm_s \quad (3.4)$$

where

$$K_s = \pi^{-1}(h_s) [\pi(X_{s-}) h_s - \pi(X_{s-}) h_s + \pi(u_s)] \quad (3.5)$$

$u_s = \frac{d}{ds} \langle Z, M \rangle_s$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ stands for quadratic variation of two processes.

Remark. The filtering $\pi(X_t)$ is an F_t^Y -semimartingale since $R_t \equiv \int_0^t K_s dm_s$ is an F_t^Y -martingale.

Indeed, R_t is F_t^Y -adapted and in view of (3.4):

$$\begin{aligned} E(R_t - R_s | F_s^Y) &= E[\pi(X_t) - \pi(X_0) - \int_0^t \pi(H_u) du | F_s^Y] \\ &= E[X_t - X_0 - \int_0^t H_u du | F_s^Y] \\ &= E[Z_t - Z_s - F_s^Y] = E[E(Z_t - Z_s | E_s) | F_s^Y] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

4. FILTERING FOR DYNAMICAL SYSTEM FROM POINT OBSERVATIONS

Suppose that the n -dimensional signal process $X_t = (X_t^1, \dots, X_t^n)$ satisfies the following equation for a dynamical system:

$$dX_t = a_0(t, X_t) dt + \sum_{j=1}^m a_j(t, X_t) d\mu_t^j \quad (4.1)$$

where: a) The components X_t^i ($i = 1, \dots, n$) of X_t have no common jumps.

b) μ_t^j ($j = 1, \dots, m$) are independent F_t -martingales. In particular, $\mu_t^j = W_t^j$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) are independent F_t -Brownian motion; μ_t^j may be also F_t -standard Poisson martingales, i. e. $\mu_t^j = N_t^j - t$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) where the N_t^j are independent standard Poisson processes. Note that in the two latter particular cases we have

$$\langle \mu^j, \mu^l \rangle_t = t \delta_{jl} \quad (4.2)$$

c) The vector coefficients $a_0(t, x) \in R^n$, $a_j(t, x) \in R^n$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) are continuously differentiable in t , twice continuously differentiable in x and their first derivatives are bounded.

d) The integrals $\int_0^t a_j(t, X_s) d\mu_s^j$ are F_t -martingales. In the case of Brownian martingales $\mu_t^j = W_t^j$, this is obvious for Itô integrals $\int_0^t a_j(t, X_s) dW_s^j$.

e) The integrals $\int_0^t a_j^i(s, X_s) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} f(X_s) d\mu_s^j$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$; $j = 1, \dots, m$) are F_t -martingales and this is also the case for Brownian martingales $\mu_t^j = W_t^j$.

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t a_0(s, X_s) ds + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t a_j(s, X_s) d\mu_s^j \quad (4.3)$$

Assume now that $f: R^n \rightarrow R$ is a function of class C^2 such that its first and second derivatives are bounded.

We wish to calculate the filtering by f of X_t , i. e.

$$\pi_f(X_t) = \pi(f(X_t)) = E[f(X_t) | F_t^Y] \quad (4.4)$$

from a point process observation of the form (1.1):

$$Y_t = \int_0^t h_s ds + M_t.$$

The Itô's formula is then written as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
f(X_t) - f(X_0) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t D_i f(X_s) dX_s^i + \\
&+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \int_0^t D_i D_k f(X_s) d \langle (X^c)^i (X^c)^k \rangle_s \\
&+ \sum_{0 \leq s \leq t} [f(X_s) - f(X_{s-}) - \sum_{i=1}^n D_i f(X_{s-}) \Delta X_s^i] \quad (4.5)
\end{aligned}$$

where D_i denotes the derivative with respect to the i th variable, X^c is the continuous part of X and as usual, \langle, \rangle stands for quadratic variation of two processes.

Since

$$X_t^i = X_0^i + \int_0^t a_0^i(s, X_s) ds + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t a_j^i(s, X_s) d\mu_s^j, \quad (4.6)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^t D_i f(X_s) dX_s^i &= \int_0^t a_0^i(s, X_s) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} f(X_s) ds + \\
&+ \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t a_j^i(s, X_s) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} f(X_s) d\mu_s^j,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t D_i f(X_s) dX_s^i = \int_0^t A_0(s) f(X_s) ds + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t A_j(s) f(X_s) d\mu_s^j, \quad (4.7)$$

where

$$A_j(s) f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_j^i(s, x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} f(x). \quad (4.8)$$

$$(j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m).$$

Because X_t^i and X_t^k have no common jumps and μ_t^j ($j = 1, \dots, m$) are independent, it is easy to see that $\langle \mu^j, \mu^l \rangle_t = 0$ if $j \neq l$ and

$$\langle (X^c)^i, (X^c)^k \rangle_t = \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t a_j^i(s, X_s) a_j^k(s, X_s) d \langle \mu^j, \mu^j \rangle_s. \quad (4.9)$$

(In both cases of standard Brownian and Poissonian martingales $\langle \mu^j, \mu^j \rangle_t = t$.)

It follows that

$$F_t = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,k} \int_0^t D_i D_k f(X_s) d \langle (X^c)^i, (X^c)^k \rangle_s = \\ = \int_0^t \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n a_j^i(s, X_s) a_j^k(s, X_s) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^k} f(X_s) d \langle \mu^j, \mu^j \rangle_s. \quad (4.10)$$

and that F_t is of bounded variation.

Denote by G_t the third term in the right hand side of (4.5). Obviously G_t is of bounded variation. Then (4.5) can be rewritten as

$$f(X_t) = f(X_0) + [F_t + G_t + \int_0^t A_0(s) f(X_s) ds] + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t A_j(s) f(X_s) d \mu_s^j. \quad (4.11)$$

Taking account of hypothesis d) and of the above mentioned remarks, we see from (4.11) that $f(X_t)$ is again a semimartingale. Applying then Theorem 3 to $x_t = f(X_t)$ yields an equation for the filtering process $\pi(f(X_t))$. Let us consider the two important cases where $\mu_t = W_t$ and $\mu_t = \text{Poisson martingale}$.

Then $\langle \mu^j, \mu^j \rangle_t = t$.

Set

$$L(s) f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^i(s, x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f(x) + \\ + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n a_j^i(s, x) a_j^k(s, x) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^k} f(x) \\ = A_0(s) f(x) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m A_j(s)^2 f(x). \quad (4.12)$$

(4.11) becomes then:

$$f(X_t) = f(X_0) + G_t + \int_0^t A_0(s) f(X_s) ds + \\ + \int_0^t L(s) f(X_s) ds + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t A_j(s) f(X_s) d \mu_s^j \quad (4.13)$$

Denote by Q_t the martingale component in (4.13)

$$Q_t = \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t A_j(s) f(X_s) d \mu_s^j. \quad (4.14)$$

Let μ_s^j be a process defined by

$$\mu_s^j = \frac{d}{ds} \langle \mu^j, M^j \rangle_s; \quad (4.15)$$

where M_t is the martingale in the point observation (1.1). Consequently,

$$\langle Q, M^l \rangle_t = \int_0^t \sum_{j=1}^m u_s^{jl} A_j(s) f(X_{s-}) ds,$$

hence

$$\frac{d}{ds} \langle Q, M^l \rangle_s = \sum_{j=1}^m u_s^{jl} A_j(s) f(X_{s-}), \quad (4.16)$$

and

$$\frac{d}{ds} \langle Q, M \rangle_s = \left(\frac{d}{ds} \langle Q, M^1 \rangle_s, \dots, \frac{d}{ds} \langle Q, M^n \rangle_s \right). \quad (4.17)$$

Denote the vector (4.17) by

$$D_s f(X_s) = \left(D_s^1 f(X_s), \dots, D_s^n f(X_s) \right). \quad (4.18)$$

Then the filtering process $\pi(f(X_t))$ is obtained directly by Theorem 3 and we thus have;

THEOREM 4. *Under the assumptions at the beginning of Section 4, the filtering process $\pi(f(X_t))$ for dynamical system*

$$dX_t = a_0(t, X_t) dt + \sum_{j=1}^m a_j(t, X_t) d\mu_t^j$$

from a point observation $Y_t = \int_0^t h_s ds + M_t$, is defined as follows:

a) if μ_t^j are standard Poisson martingales:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(f(X_t)) = & \pi(f(X_0)) + \pi(G_t) + \int_0^t \pi(A_0(s) f(X_s)) ds + \int_0^t \pi^{-1}(h_s) [\pi(f(X_{s-}) h_s) - \\ & - \pi(f(X_{s-})) \pi(h_s) + \pi(D_s f(X_s))] dm_s \end{aligned} \quad (4.19)$$

where m_t is the innovation from the observation Y_t :

$$m_t = Y_t - \int_0^t \pi(h_s) ds \quad (4.20)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(G_t) = & \sum_{0 \leq s \leq t} [\pi(f(X_s)) - \pi(f(X_{s-}))] - \\ & - \pi \sum_{i=1}^n D_i f(X_{s-}) \Delta X_s^i \end{aligned} \quad (4.21)$$

b) If μ_t^j are standard Brownian martingale, the second term in the right hand side of (4.19) is omitted i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(f(X_t)) &= \pi(f(X_0)) + \int_0^t \pi(A_0(s)f(X_s))ds + \\
&+ \int_0^t \pi^{-1}(h_s)[\pi(f(X_{s-})h_s) - \pi(fX_{s-})n(h_s) + \\
&+ \pi(D_s f(X_s))]dm_s
\end{aligned}
\tag{4.22}$$

where m_t is the same as (4.20).

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