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Sensor Planning for Multiple Targets Tracking

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Introduction and Motivation

Target behaviors learning

- Security surveillance
- Tracking endangered species
- Environmental monitoring







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Introduction and Motivation

- Goal: control actuated or configurable sensors to actively collect most valuable information
 - Estimator: compute the system state by fusing the data
 - Planner: determine the control by optimizing a function of costs and utilities
 - Actuator: follow the task execution as closely as possible
- Challenge:
 - Nonlinear target dynamics
 - Adaptive to data
 - Define 'value' of information
 - Number of sensors < number of targets



Target behaviors learning

- Workspace: $\mathcal{W} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, convex polygon
- Target dynamics: unknown form

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{j}(t) = \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{x}_{j}(t)], \ j = 1, \dots, N$$

• Sensor dynamics: known

$$\dot{\mathbf{s}}(t) = \mathbf{g}[\mathbf{s}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)], \ \mathbf{u}(t) \in U$$

• Detection model: limited sensor field of view (FOV)

$$P_{d} = \begin{cases} 0 : \mathbf{x}_{j}(t) \notin S(t) \\ 1 : \mathbf{x}_{j}(t) \in S(t) \end{cases}$$

• Measurement model: known with additive noise

$$\mathbf{m}(t) = \mathbf{h}[\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{s}(t)] + \mathbf{n}, \ \mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

• Goal: determine optimal control $\mathbf{u}^*(t)$ of sensors, such that collected measurements are most useful for learning \mathbf{f}



Example Problem

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- Workspace: MIT raven testbed
- Target dynamics: unknown velocity field

f: $[x \ y]^T \rightarrow [\dot{x} \ \dot{y}]^T$

- Sensor dynamics: linear with constraints
- Detection model: camera FOV
- Measurement model: $\mathbf{m}_j(t) = [\mathbf{x}_j(t) \ \mathbf{v}_j(t)] + \mathbf{n}$





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Methodology Part I: Target Dynamics Modelling

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Single target: Gaussian process (GP) regression $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \longrightarrow \{\mathbf{x}(t), \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t)\} \Rightarrow \mathbf{f}(\cdot)$

A Gaussian process is a stochastic process, that is a collection of random variables $\{f(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}\}$ indexed by a set \mathcal{X} , for which any finite subset, $\{f(\mathbf{x}_1), ..., f(\mathbf{x}_k)\}$, has a joint multivariate Gaussian distribution.

- Notation: $f(\mathbf{x}) \sim \text{GP}[\theta(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')]$
- Mean function: $\theta(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}_f[f(\mathbf{x})]$
- Covariance function: $\phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \mathbb{E}_{f} \{ [f(\mathbf{x}) \theta(\mathbf{x})] [f(\mathbf{x}') \theta(\mathbf{x}')] \}^{T}$

• Covariance matrix:
$$\Phi(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi(\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{b}_1) & \cdots & \phi(\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{b}_n) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi(\mathbf{a}_m, \mathbf{b}_1) & \cdots & \phi(\mathbf{a}_m, \mathbf{b}_n) \end{bmatrix}$$



Gaussian Process Regression

Prediction on $\mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = [f(\boldsymbol{\xi}_1) \quad \cdots \quad f(\boldsymbol{\xi}_k)]^T$ given data $\{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{o}\}$:

 $\mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) | \{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{o}\} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$

• mean: $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \boldsymbol{\theta}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) + \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \mathbf{p}) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p})^{-1} [\mathbf{o} - \boldsymbol{\theta}(\mathbf{p})]$

• covariance: $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\boldsymbol{\xi},\,\boldsymbol{\xi}) - \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\boldsymbol{\xi},\,\mathbf{p}) \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{p},\,\mathbf{p})^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Phi}(\mathbf{p},\,\boldsymbol{\xi})$





Dirichlet distribution: distribution over k-dimensional probability simplex

$$\boldsymbol{\pi} = [\pi_1 \quad \cdots \quad \pi_k]^T, \quad \text{for } \pi_k \geq 0, \quad \Sigma_k \pi_k = 1$$

• Density function of $\boldsymbol{\pi} \sim \text{Dir}([\alpha_1 \quad \dots \quad \alpha_k])$

$$p(\boldsymbol{\pi}) = \frac{\Gamma(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{k})}{\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{k}\Gamma(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{k})}\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{k}\boldsymbol{\pi}_{k}^{\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{k}-1}$$

• Example





Dirichlet process: distribution of infinite-dimension π

A Dirichlet process with parameters H and α , denoted by $DP[\alpha, H(A)]$, is a distribution of a random probability measure P, if for any finite measureable partition $\{B_i | 1 \le i \le n\}$ of A, it is true that $[P(B_1) \cdots P(B_n)]^T \sim Dir([\alpha H(B_1) \cdots \alpha H(B_n)])$



- Three samples drawn from $DP(100, \mathcal{N}(0,0.1))$
- discrete distribution
- countably infinite number of point masses



Multiple targets: Dirichlet process prior over mixture of Gaussian process models (DPGP mixture model)

- Objective of DPGP-MM: describe target dynamics, $\{\mathcal{F}, \boldsymbol{\pi}\}$
 - Velocity field: 2D spatial phenomenon \leftarrow Gaussian process
 - Clustering \leftarrow Dirichlet process





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Methodology Part II: Information Value of Measurement

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DPGP Information Value

DPGP info-value: difference between **posterior** and **prior** DPGP model

 $\varphi[\mathbf{\nu}; \mathbf{m}(k+1)] = D\{p[\mathbf{\nu}|Q(k+1)]||p[\mathbf{\nu}|Q(k)]\}$

• D: Kullback-Leibler (or other) divergence

$$D(P_1 || P_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \ln\left(\frac{p_1(x)}{p_2(x)}\right) p_1(x) dx$$

•
$$\boldsymbol{\nu}_i = [\mathbf{f}_i(\boldsymbol{\xi}_1)^T \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{f}_i(\boldsymbol{\xi}_L)^T]^T$$

- $\boldsymbol{\nu} = [\boldsymbol{\nu}_1^T \cdots \boldsymbol{\nu}_M^T]^T$
- $Q(\mathbf{k}) = \{ \mathbf{m}(\boldsymbol{\ell}), \ G(\boldsymbol{\ell}) \mid 1 \leq \boldsymbol{\ell} \leq k \}$
- velocity field-target association, G, is unknown
- future measurement, $\mathbf{m}(k+1)$, is unknown



DPGP-EKLD

Expected info-value: DPGP-EKLD

$$\hat{\varphi}[\boldsymbol{\nu}; \mathbf{m}(k+1)] = \mathbb{E}_{G_j} \big[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{m}(k+1)} \big[\varphi[\boldsymbol{\nu}; \mathbf{m}(k+1)] \big] \big]$$

- Assumptions: ٠
 - VF-target association distribution learnt by DPGP model
 - measurement consistent with GP regression
- Theorem I: The GP-EKLD can be simplified as

$$\hat{\varphi}\left[\boldsymbol{\upsilon}; \mathbf{m}(k+1)\right] = \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} \int_{\mathcal{S}} h_i[\mathbf{x}_j(k+1)] \times p\left(\mathbf{x}_j(k+1) | Q(k)\right) d\mathbf{x}_j$$

where

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$$\begin{aligned} h_i[\mathbf{x}_j(k+1)] &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\operatorname{tr} \left(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{i,k}^{-1} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{i,k+1} \right) - \ln \left(|\mathbf{\Sigma}_{i,k+1} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{i,k}^{-1}| \right) - 2L + \operatorname{tr} (\mathbf{Q}^{-1} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{\Sigma}_{i,k}^{-1} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{Q}^{-1}) \sigma_v^2 \right] \\ \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{\Phi}[\mathbf{Y}_i(k), \mathbf{Y}_i(k)] + \sigma_v^2 \mathbf{I}_{2k} & \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{\Phi}[\mathbf{\xi}, \mathbf{x}_j(k+1)] - \mathbf{\Phi}[\mathbf{\xi}, \mathbf{Y}_i(k)] \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{\Phi}[\mathbf{Y}_i(k), \mathbf{x}_j(k+1)] & \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{D} &= \mathbf{\Phi}[\mathbf{x}_j(k+1), \mathbf{x}_j(k+1)] + \sigma_v^2 \mathbf{I}_2 \end{aligned}$$

 $p[\mathbf{x}_{i}(k+1)|Q(k)]$ is hard to compute •



Gaussian Process Sum Particle Filter

Estimate $p[\mathbf{x}_{j}(k)|Q(k)] \sim \sum_{i=1}^{M} \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{i}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{i})$



• Measurement update





DPGP-EKLD (2)

Approximation of DPGP-EKLD

$$\hat{\varphi}\left[\boldsymbol{v}; \mathbf{m}(k+1)\right] \approx \sum_{i,j} \frac{w_{ij}}{S} \sum_{\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell)} \in \mathcal{S}(k)} h_i[\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell)}]$$

• Theorem II: The approximation is unbiased and variance of error decreases with sample number.



Fig. Framework of DPGP-EKLD sensor planning

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Greedy DPGP-EKLD Sensor Planning Algorithm

Examining DPGP-EKLD

- Free-flying sensor dynamics
- FOV shape does not change

Greedy algorithm to sensor planning

- Reduce planning to weighted points cover
- Each sample is weighted by $w_{ij}h_i[\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell)}]/S$
- Complexity using segment tree: $O(MNS \log(MNS))$



Algorithm 2 DPGP-EKLD

Require: $\theta(\cdot), \phi(\cdot, \cdot), \mathcal{S}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, N_f$

- 1: for k do = $1:N_f$
- 2: Sample target positions from the current target position distribution
- 3: Propagate the target positions to the next time step
- 4: Calculate the DPGP-EKLD for each propagated target position
- 5: Solve the weighted sum problem for every zoom level
- 6: Report the optimal FOV center position and the optimal zoom level
- 7: Carry out the control
- 8: end for

Example Problem for Examining DPGP-EKLD

- Workspace: $\mathcal{W} = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 1 \leq x \leq 10, 1 \leq y \leq 10 \}$
- Sensor dynamics: free-flying objective
- Velocity fields: $\mathcal{F} = \{\mathbf{f}_1, \mathbf{f}_2, \mathbf{f}_3, \mathbf{f}_4\}$

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• Probability of choosing every velocity field: $\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$

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Result: Less Informative Prior



Fig. The distribution of observed trajectory percentage, averaged on the 50 runs of simulations

Fig. DPGP error

150

Time, t(s)

200

250

300

50

100



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Methodology Part III: Incorporating Sensor Dynamics

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Sensor Dynamics

• Linear sensor dynamics with constraints

$$\dot{\mathbf{s}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$$
$$\mathbf{u}(t) \in U$$

• Example: Pan-tilt (PT) Camera dynamics:

$$\mathbf{s} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi & \Phi & \dot{\psi} & \dot{\Phi} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1} & u_{2} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ k_{1} & 0 \\ 0 & k_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{Cs} \le \mathbf{1}_{c} \text{ and } -\mathbf{1}_{2} \le \mathbf{u} \le \mathbf{1}_{2}$$





Equivalence to mutual information

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$$\hat{\varphi}(\boldsymbol{\upsilon}; M_j(k, k')) = \mathbb{E}_{M_j(k, k')} \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{G_j} \left\{ \varphi(\boldsymbol{\upsilon}; M(k, k')) \right\} \right\}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^M w_{ij} I(\boldsymbol{\upsilon}_i; M_j(k, k'))$$

- Theorem III: Given rational number m and a rational covariance • matrix Λ over a set of Gaussian random variables $V=S \cup U$, deciding whether there exists a subset $A \subset S$ of cardinality k such that I(A; U) \geq m is *NP*-complete.
- Theorem IV: Finding the optimal control trajectory that maximizes the DPGP-EKLD, subject to the constraints on the camera state and the control input, is *NP*-hard.
 - Proof by restriction •
 - Targets are static
 - Sensor moves fast enough as if free-flying

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• Theorem V: The DPGP-EKLD evaluated for measurements obtained between time step k and time step k' is lower bounded by discounted summation of the mutual information as follows,



Fig. 1 Simulation scenario for validation of the additive lower bound.

Fig. 2 DPGP-EKLD (black line) and the additive lower bound (red line)



Receding Horizon Control

• Objective function:

$$J_{ij} \triangleq w_{ij} \sum_{\ell=k}^{k'} (1-\gamma) \gamma^{\ell-k} I(\boldsymbol{v}_i; \mathbf{m}_j(\ell)) P(\mathbf{s}(\ell), \mathbf{x}_j(\ell))$$
$$P(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{x}_j) = 1 - \|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_j)\|^2 / h$$

- Receding horizon control
 - closed-loop control strategy: target/sensor state update
 - constraints: at least finite horizon
 - infinite horizon solution obsolete after DPGP-MM update
 - lower computational complexity

$$\begin{array}{ll} \underset{\mathbf{u}(\ell), \ k \leq \ell \leq k'}{\text{maximize}} & \begin{bmatrix} J_{11} & \cdots & J_{MN} \end{bmatrix}^T \\ \text{subject to} & \mathbf{s}(k) = \mathbf{s}_0 \\ & \mathbf{s}(\ell+1) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}(\ell) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\ell), \ \ell = k, \dots, k' \\ & -\mathbf{1} \leq \mathbf{u}(\ell) \leq \mathbf{1}, \ \ell = k, \dots, k' \end{array}$$



Lexicographic algorithm for multiple output optimization

$$\max_{\boldsymbol{\chi}} \quad J'_{i}(\boldsymbol{\chi})$$
s.t.
$$J'_{j}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) \geq J'^{*}_{j}, \ j = 1, \dots, i-1$$

$$\boldsymbol{\chi} \triangleq [\mathbf{s}^{T}(k) \ \cdots \ \mathbf{s}^{T}(k') \ \mathbf{u}^{T}(k) \ \cdots \ \mathbf{u}^{T}(k')]^{T} \in U$$

• For the same target, objective function corresponding to velocity field with higher target-VF association probability is more important

$$J_{ij} \succeq J_{i'j} \Leftrightarrow w_{ij} \ge w_{i'j}, \text{ for } i \neq i', j = 1, \dots, N$$

• For different targets, objective function corresponding to velocity field with higher target-VF association probability is also more important

$$J_{ij} \succeq J_{i'j'}$$
, for $i < i', j \neq j'$

• When i=i, use ideal value to determine the sequence

$$J_{ij}^{I} \triangleq \max_{\boldsymbol{\chi}} \left\{ J_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) \mid \boldsymbol{\chi} \in U \right\}$$
$$J_{ij} \succeq J_{ij'} \Leftrightarrow J_{ij}^{I} \ge J_{ij'}^{I}, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, M, \ j \neq j'$$



Lexicographic Algorithm

• First iteration: convex quadratic programming with linear constraints

$$J_{ij} = \left(\sum_{\ell=k}^{k'} \beta(\ell) - \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{c}\right) - \left(\boldsymbol{\chi}^T \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q} \boldsymbol{\chi} - \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{Q} \boldsymbol{\chi}\right)$$

where,

$$\mathbf{Q} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\frac{\beta(k)}{h}} \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \sqrt{\frac{\beta(k+1)}{h}} \mathbf{H}^{\cdot} \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \sqrt{\frac{\beta(k+1)}{h}} \mathbf{H}^{\cdot} & \mathbf{0}_{2K \times 2K} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \sqrt{\frac{\beta(k')}{h}} \mathbf{H} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
$$\mathbf{c} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\frac{\beta(k)}{h}} \mathbf{h}^{T}[\mathbf{x}_{j}(k)] & \cdots & \sqrt{\frac{\beta(k')}{h}} \mathbf{h}^{T}[\mathbf{x}_{j}(k')] \end{bmatrix}^{T} \\ \beta(\ell) \triangleq w_{ij}(1-\gamma)\gamma^{\ell-k} I(\mathbf{v}_{i};\mathbf{m}_{j}(\ell)), \ \ell = k, \dots, k' \end{bmatrix}$$

Lexicographic Algorithm

• The *i*th iterations: additional constraints



• $\mathbf{a}_j \in S_a(k) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{a}_j)$

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- $\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{a}_j) : |\Delta \Phi| \le tan^{-1} [h/(2\lambda)], \quad |\Delta \psi| \le tan^{-1} \left(\frac{w}{2\lambda} \operatorname{sec}(\Phi_j) \cos(\Delta \Phi)\right)$
- $\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{a}_j)$ is convex, symmetric, horizontal upper and lower bound
- Theorem VI: Area of polygon *ABCDEF* divided by area of $\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{a}_j)$ is lower bound by $1 - (\sqrt{2} - 1)^2/2 \approx 91.4\%$, if the view angle of camera is no more than 90°.



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Simulations and Results

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Simulation Setup

Data set 1 (thanks to Miao Liu@MIT)

- Pedestrian data set collected at Building 4, MIT
- 91 targets: 50 training, 41 testing
- Sampling time: 0.1s
- Subsampled to remove stops
- Workspace: 23m x 17 m

Data set 2 (thanks to Miao Liu@MIT)

- Pedestrian data set collected at Hallway
- 73 targets: 50 training, 23 testing
- Sampling time: 0.1s
- Subsampled to remove stops
- Workspace: 20m x 20 m



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Simulation Setup

Sensor (simulated)

- AXIS P5624-E PTZ Dome Network Camera
- Pan: 360 degree endless, 0.2 350 degree/second
- Tilt: 180 degree, 0.2 350 degree/second
- Positioned in the center of hall way





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Simulation Result

• Accumulated reward by different approaches



- cope with multiple targets
- limited sensor field of view
- aim at learning the change of target model



Simulation Result

• Final model obtained by the lexicographic algorithm compared with the testing target trajectories



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Simulation Result

TABLE I
ROOT MEAN SQUARE ERROR (RMSE) OF DPGP-MM

Algorithms	All data	Optimal solution	Lexicographic	Entropy reduction	Greedy	Potential field	Patrol	Random
Bldg4 data	8.97%	9.12%	9.15%	16.25%	15.68%	29.72%	27.47%	92.81%
Hallway data	9.03%	9.58%	10.88%	18.52%	17.89%	30.21%	40.17%	93.51%

$\epsilon = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{i=1}^{M} w_{ij} \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}}$	$\frac{\delta t}{(t_{f_j} - t_{0_j})} \sum_{k=1}^{(t_{f_j} - t_{0_j})/\delta} k^{(t_{f_j} - t_{0_j})/\delta}$	$\frac{\delta t}{\ \mathbf{v}_j(k) - \hat{\mathbf{v}}_j(k)\ _2^2}} \frac{\ \mathbf{v}_j(k)\ _2^2}{\ \mathbf{v}_j(k)\ }$
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Algorithms	Theoretical complexity	Experimental complexity (s)		
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Optimal solution	NP	16.014	15.092	
Lexicographic	$O\left([(L+k)^2 + T^2d^3]MNT\right)$	0.081	0.073	
Entropy reduction	$O\left((k^2 + T^2 d^3) M N T\right)$	0.077	0.072	
Greedy	$O([(L+k)^2 + \log(MN)]MN)$	0.044	0.044	
Information potential	$O\left([(L+k)^2+d]MN\right)$	0.003	0.003	
Patrol	O(1)	< 0.001	< 0.001	
Random	$O((L+k)^2MN+dT)$	0.002	0.002	



Conclusion

- Information driven sensor planning
- Target dynamics modelling
 - GP regression for nonlinear dynamics
 - Dirichlet process for clustering
- Information value (DPGP-EKLD) as utility function
 - Free-flying sensor dynamics
 - Linear dynamics with constraints
- Future work
 - Nonlinear sensor dynamics model
 - Decentralized control

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