

Principles of Wireless Sensor Networks

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Lecture 6

Distributed Detection

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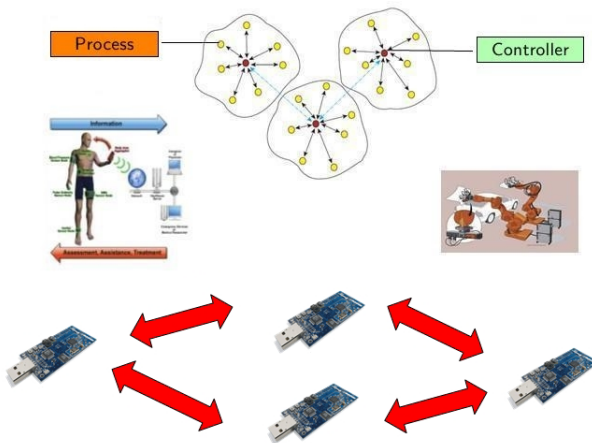
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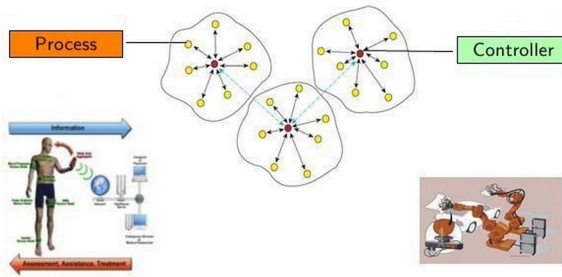
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On which path messages should be routed?

Today's lecture



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- Today we study how to detect events out of uncertain (noisy) observations
- Detection is an application on top of the protocol stack
- However, detection theory can be used in other layers as well

Today's learning goals

- What is binary detection?
- How to detect events from one sensor?
- How to detect events from multiple sensors?

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Basic of detection theory

Hypothesis concept



**“I’ve narrowed it to two hypotheses:
it grew or we shrunk.”**

- Model of binary hypothesis testing

H_0 hypothesis 0 s_0 signal

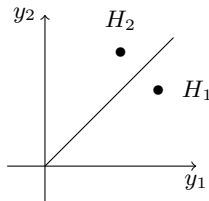
H_1 hypothesis 1 s_1 signal

- We consider a measurement $y(t)$: noisy signal associated to the event.
Consider $y(t)$ as random variable. Let y be a specific outcome of this random variable

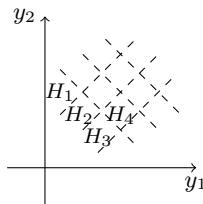
Example: Basic of detection theory

Suppose $y(t) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

- Binary case of hypothesis:
the signal may fall in two (binary)
different areas



- Multiple hypotheses:
the signal may fall in multiple
different areas



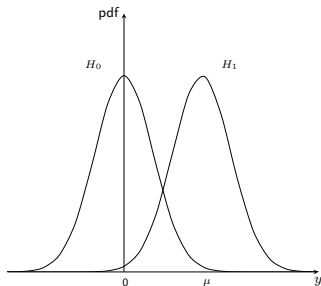
Goal of detection: Minimize the errors out of noisy measurements
that may misplace the points

Binary hypothesis testing

- Suppose $y(t) = \begin{cases} s_0 & \text{if } H_0 \text{ happened,} \\ s_1 & \text{if } H_1 \text{ happened.} \end{cases}$

Example: Assume $y(t)$ is simply given by

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} n(t) & \text{if } H_0 \text{ happened,} \\ \mu + n(t) & \text{if } H_1 \text{ happened.} \end{cases}$$



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Definition of probabilities

$\Pr(s_1|H_0)$ Probability of false alarm

$\Pr(s_0|H_1)$ Probability of miss detection

$\Pr(s_1|H_1)$ Probability of detection

Definition

A *posteriori* probability: Given the realization of $y(t)$, y , what is the probability that H_0 or H_1 happened?

- $\Pr(H_0|y)$
- $\Pr(H_1|y)$

Criterion of *a posteriori*

- Maximum *a posteriori* probability (MAP)

$$\text{We decide for } \begin{cases} H_0 & \text{if } \Pr(H_0|y) > \Pr(H_1|y) \\ H_1 & \text{if } \Pr(H_0|y) \leq \Pr(H_1|y) \end{cases}$$

- In practice, we assume to know the probabilities $\Pr(H_0)$ and $\Pr(H_1)$.
According to Bayes' rule

$$\Pr(H_0|y) = \frac{\Pr(y|H_0) \Pr(H_0)}{\Pr(y)} \quad \Pr(H_1|y) = \frac{\Pr(y|H_1) \Pr(H_1)}{\Pr(y)}$$

- Therefore MAP criterion becomes

$$\text{We decide for } \begin{cases} H_0 & \text{if } \Pr(y|H_0) \cdot \Pr(H_0) > \Pr(y|H_1) \cdot \Pr(H_1) \\ H_1 & \text{if } \Pr(y|H_0) \cdot \Pr(H_0) \leq \Pr(y|H_1) \cdot \Pr(H_1) \end{cases}$$

Likelihood ratio test

- The previous test can be equivalently converted into the Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT)

$$\frac{\Pr(y|H_1)}{\Pr(y|H_0)} \underset{H_0}{\overset{H_1}{\gtrless}} \frac{\Pr(H_0)}{\Pr(H_1)}$$

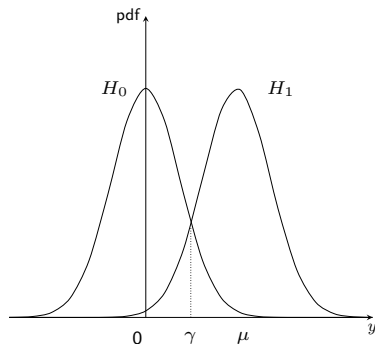
- In the special case where $\frac{\Pr(H_0)}{\Pr(H_1)} = 1 \Rightarrow$ Maximum Likelihood detection (ML)

Example

Consider again the example on page 9

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} n(t) & \text{if } H_0 \text{ happened,} \\ \mu + n(t) & \text{if } H_1 \text{ happened.} \end{cases}$$

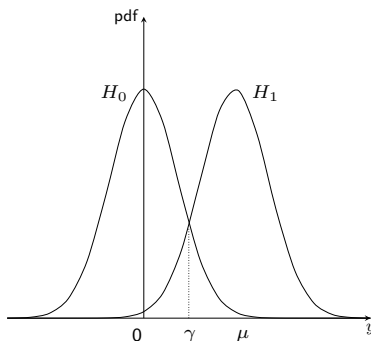
$$n(t) \in G(0, 1)$$



- If $y > \gamma$ we decide for H_1
- If $y \leq \gamma$ we decide for H_0

The intersection point of the two adjacent gaussian curves defines the threshold γ , according to which a decision is made

Example



The conditional probabilities given the hypotheses H_0 and H_1 are respectively

$$\Pr(y|H_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\gamma} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz \triangleq \Pr(H_0|H_0)$$

$$\Pr(y|H_1) = \int_{\gamma}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-\mu)^2}{2}} dz \triangleq \Pr(H_1|H_1)$$

Example

- Probability of false alarm

$$P_F(\gamma) \triangleq \Pr(H_1|H_0) = \int_{\gamma}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz = Q(\gamma)$$

- Probability of miss detection

$$P_M(\gamma) \triangleq \Pr(H_0|H_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\gamma} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-\mu)^2}{2}} dz = Q(\mu - \gamma)$$

How should γ be chosen?

How to choose γ

- Based on the previous example, we argue that in general there is tradeoff between γ , P_F and P_M
- There are at least three methods that can be used to choose γ
 - ▶ LRT
 - ▶ Newman-Pearson method
 - ▶ Pareto optimization

- If the probabilities of H_0 and H_1 (p_0 and p_1) are known beforehand, and if the phenomenon is associated to the two signals 0 and μ with a Gaussian measurement error, we have

$$\Pr(y|H_0) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-0)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad \Pr(y|H_1) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu_y)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

and the LRT is

$$p_1 \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu_y)^2}{2\sigma^2}} > p_0 \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

which is equivalent to check if

$$y > \gamma = \frac{\mu_y^2 - 2\sigma^2 \ln\left(\frac{p_1}{p_0}\right)}{2\mu_y}$$

- LRT reduced to checking if y is larger or smaller than a specific threshold γ

Neyman-Pearson Criterion

- In case that $\Pr(H_0)$, $\Pr(H_1)$ are unknown, we use an optimisation based method for choosing γ
- This method is also called Neyman-Pearson criterion

Fast-Lipschitz optimization

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\gamma} \quad & P_M(\gamma) = Q(\mu - \gamma) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & P_F(\gamma) \leq \bar{P}_F \end{aligned}$$

⇓ Solution for the Gaussian noise Example

$$\gamma^* : Q(\gamma^*) = \bar{P}_F$$

- The solution to this optimisation problem gives the γ of the Neyman-Pearson criterion

Pareto optimization

Another way to choose the detection threshold, γ , is by using the Pareto optimization method

Pareto optimization

The optimal γ , γ^* , is found by the minimization of the average cost function $C(\gamma)$

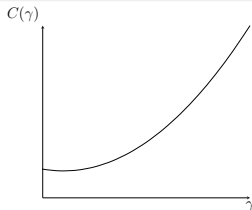
$$\text{Find } \gamma^* \rightarrow \min_{\gamma} C(\gamma)$$

and

$$C(\gamma) = \sum_{i=0}^1 \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^1 c_{ij} \Pr(H_i|H_j) \Pr(H_j)$$

where $\Pr(H_i|H_j)$ is either the probability of false alarm or miss detection and c_{ij} the cost of being wrong

Example of $C(\gamma)$:

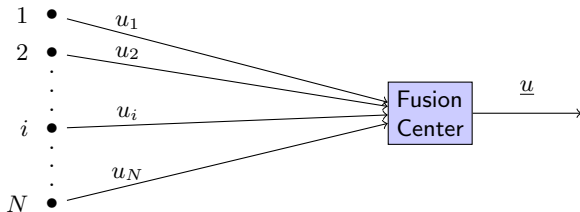


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Multiple sensors

Distributed detection method



- In each sensor
$$y_i(t) = \begin{cases} n_i(t) & \text{if } H_0 \text{ happened,} \\ \mu_i + n_i(t) & \text{if } H_1 \text{ happened.} \end{cases}$$

and a decision
$$u_i(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } H_0 \text{ happened,} \\ 1 & \text{if } H_1 \text{ happened.} \end{cases} \quad \text{is taken}$$

- The fusion center takes an overall decision $\underline{u} = f(u_1, \dots, u_N)$ after collecting the decisions from each sensor

Multiple sensors

In case of multiple sensors, the definitions of probabilities are as follows

$$P_{F_i} = \Pr(u_i = 1|H_0) = \int_{\gamma_i}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt = Q(\gamma_i) \triangleq \Pr_i(H_1|H_0)$$

$$P_{M_i} = \Pr(u_i = 0|H_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\gamma_i} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(t-\mu_i)^2}{2}} dt = 1 - Q(\gamma_i - \mu_i) \triangleq \Pr_i(H_0|H_1)$$

$$P_{D_i} = \Pr(u_i = 1|H_1) = \int_{\gamma_i}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(t-\mu_i)^2}{2}} dt = Q(\gamma_i - \mu_i) \triangleq \Pr_i(H_1|H_1)$$

where P_{F_i} , P_{M_i} and P_{D_i} the probabilities of false alarm, miss detection and detection of a particular node i respectively.

Decision function f

How to design an optimal decision function f ?

- Option 1: The Likelihood Ratio Test
- Option 2: The counting decision rule

The Likelihood Ratio Test

By applying the Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT) we get

$$\frac{\Pr(\underline{u}|H_1)}{\Pr(\underline{u}|H_0)} \underset{H_0}{\overset{H_1}{\gtrless}} \frac{\Pr(H_0)}{\Pr(H_1)} \xrightarrow{ML} \frac{\Pr(\underline{u}|H_1)}{\Pr(\underline{u}|H_0)} \underset{H_0}{\overset{H_1}{\gtrless}} 1$$

Using the Bayes' rule, ML criterion becomes

$$\frac{\Pr(H_1|\underline{u})}{\Pr(H_0|\underline{u})} \underset{H_0}{\overset{H_1}{\gtrless}} 1$$

The Likelihood Ratio Test

Theorem

$$\log \frac{\Pr(H_1|\underline{u})}{\Pr(H_0|\underline{u})} = \log \frac{\Pr(H_1)}{\Pr(H_0)} + \sum_{S^+} \log \frac{1 - P_{M_i}}{P_{F_i}} + \sum_{S^-} \log \frac{P_{M_i}}{1 - P_{F_i}}$$

where S^+ the set of sensors that decide for 1
 S^- the set of sensors that decide for 0

The Likelihood Ratio Test

Proof:

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(H_1|\underline{u}) &= \frac{\Pr(H_1, \underline{u})}{\Pr(\underline{u})} = \frac{\Pr(H_1)}{\Pr(\underline{u})} \prod_{S_+} \Pr(u_i = +1|H_1) \prod_{S_-} \Pr(u_i = 0|H_1) \\ &= \frac{\Pr(H_1)}{\Pr(\underline{u})} \prod_{S_+} (1 - P_{M_i}) \prod_{S_-} P_{M_i} .\end{aligned}$$

In a similar manner,

$$\Pr(H_0|\underline{u}) = \frac{\Pr(H_0)}{\Pr(\underline{u})} \prod_{S_+} (1 - P_{F_i}) \prod_{S_-} P_{F_i} .$$

Thus, we have that

$$\log \frac{\Pr(H_1|\underline{u})}{\Pr(H_0|\underline{u})} = \log \frac{\Pr(H_1)}{\Pr(H_0)} + \sum_{S_+} \log \frac{1 - P_{M_i}}{P_{F_i}} + \sum_{S_-} \log \frac{P_{M_i}}{1 - P_{F_i}} .$$

The counting rule

Another decision criterion is the counting rule

$$\Lambda = \sum_{i=1}^N u_i \underset{H_0}{\stackrel{H_1}{\geq}} \Gamma$$

where Γ is the decision threshold

Assuming that the decision threshold, γ_i , is the same (γ) for all sensors, the probability of false alarm is now

$$\Pr(\Lambda \geq \Gamma | N, H_0) = \sum_{i=\Gamma}^N \binom{N}{i} P_{F_i}^i (1 - P_{F_i})^{N-i}$$

Applying the Laplace - de Moivre approximation and assuming equal probabilities of false alarm among the sensors,

$$\Pr(\Lambda \geq \Gamma | N, H_0) \simeq Q\left(\frac{\Gamma - N \cdot P_F}{\sqrt{N \cdot P_F (1 - P_F)}}\right)$$

Summary

We have studied the basic principles regarding the detection from one or multiple sensor(s).

We have also seen certain representative decision rules for detecting events out of uncertain (noisy) observations

Next lecture

Next lecture, we study how to perform static estimation from noisy measurements of the sensors