



COMP 141: Probabilistic Robotics for Human-Robot Interaction

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Today

- Overview of Syllabus
- Filtering (chapter 2 of PR)
- In-class activity / exercise

Syllabus

- Any questions?

Course Projects

- Q & A

Reading Assignment

- Chapter 3: Kalman and Information filters

Robot Interaction

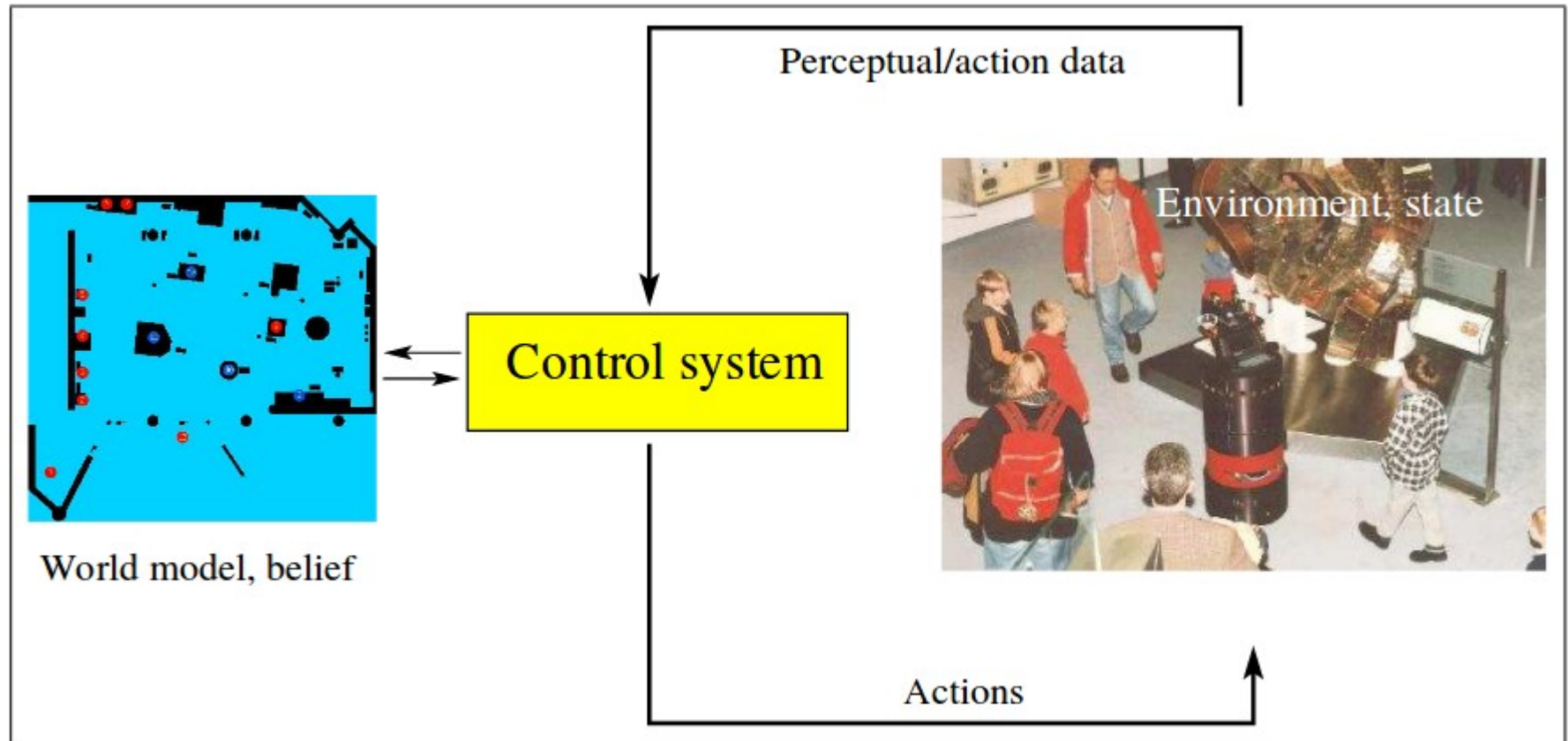


Figure 2.1 Robot Environment Interaction.

Preliminaries and Example

(on board)

Bayes Filter Example

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1:  Algorithm Bayes_filter( $bel(x_{t-1}), u_t, z_t$ ):  
2:      for all  $x_t$  do  
3:           $\overline{bel}(x_t) = \int p(x_t \mid u_t, x_{t-1}) bel(x_{t-1}) dx$   
4:           $bel(x_t) = \eta p(z_t \mid x_t) \overline{bel}(x_t)$   
5:      endfor  
6:      return  $bel(x_t)$ 
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In-Class Exercise

- Form a small group (2 to 3, max 4)
- Pick up a piece of paper

In-Class Exercise

- A robot uses a range sensor that measures from $0m$ to $3m$. Assume that the actual ranges in the robot's environment are uniformly distributed in that range.
- The sensor can be faulty and when it is, it constantly outputs a range of below $1m$, regardless of the true range. The **prior probability** that the sensor is faulty is 0.01
- The robot queried its sensor N times, and each time, the reading was below $1m$. What is the **posterior probability** of a sensor fault, for $N = 1, 2, \dots, 10$. Formulate the corresponding probabilistic model.

