Estimation and Classification

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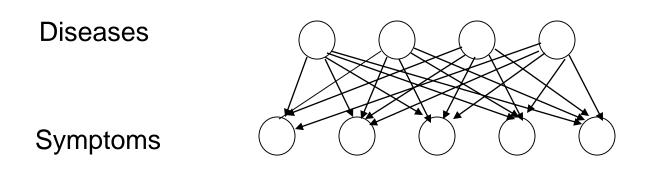
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Summary

- What problems are addressed ?
- Topics
- Grading
- Bibliography

Medical Diagnosis

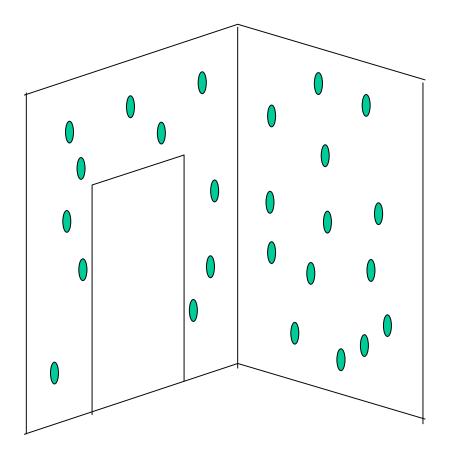


What is the relationship between causes and symptoms ? Learning

How to infer the cause from some symptoms ?

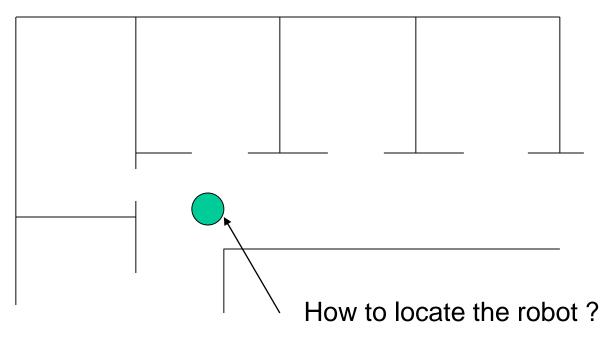
Inference

3D Reconstruction



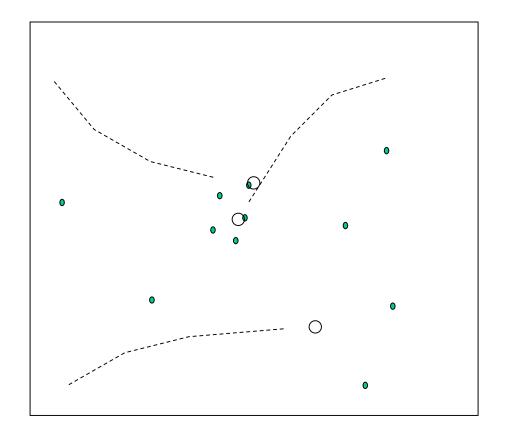
How to detemine the number of planes and their equations ?

Self Localization



How to estimate the environment?

RADAR



Where are the targets located, knowing the radar returns?

Digital Communication



The source generates discrete symbols which are encoded and sent to the channel. The channel distorts the symbols and corrupts them with noise.

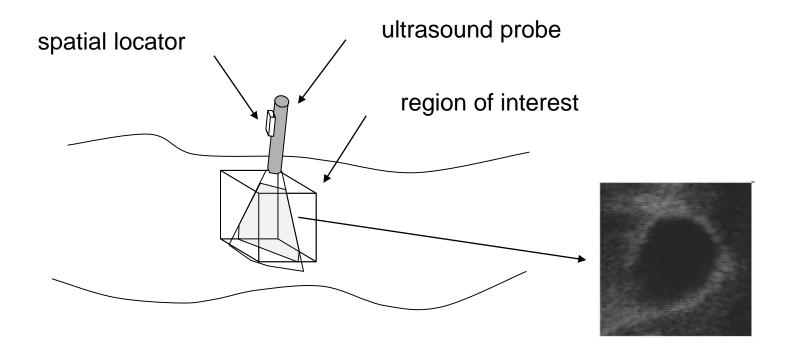
At the receiver, the main problem is: what is the symbol (or symbol sequence) sent by the source to the channel ?

Inference problem !

What is the channel model?

Learning problem !

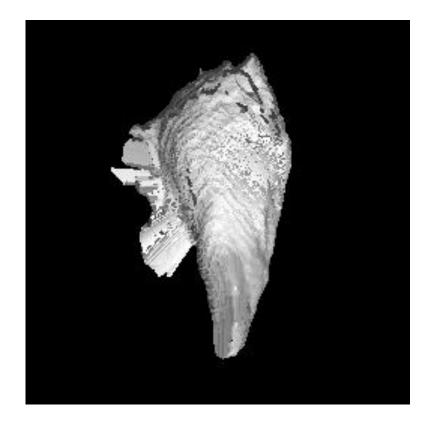
3D Ultrasound



How to estimate the volume the tissue properties in the region of interest ? Inference problem ! How to compute the aquisition parameters ?

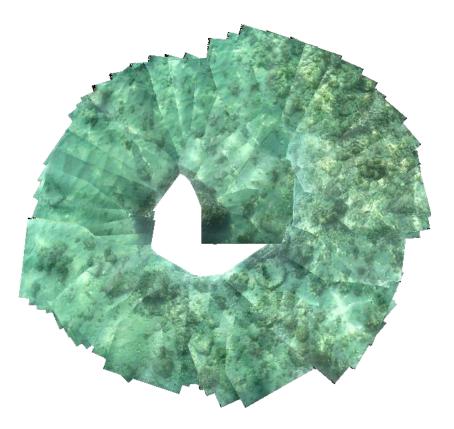
Learning problem !

Results



(Courtesy of João Sanches)

Mosaicing



(Courtesy of José Santos-Victor)

Other Problems

- Speech recognition
- Face and object recognition
- Three dimensional reconstruction of human organs
- Prediction of temporal series
- System identification
- Estimation of probability distributions

Objectives

The course addresses the following questions:

- How to compute variables which can not be directly measured by sensors ?
- how to obtain models for observed data (signals, image, video) and use these models in decision problems ?

3 Problems

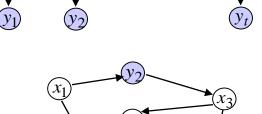
Three problems of increasing complexity will be considered:

• estimation of isolated variables

estimation of sequences of variables

• estimation of sets of dependent variables

Inference and learning have to be considered in each case.





Lectures

Probabilities (revisited) **Classic Estimation Bayesian Inference** Inference with unobserved variables Pattern Recognition **Discriminant Analysis** Nonlinear and Kalman filtering Robust and Multiple Model Filtering Hidden Markov Models **Graphical Models and Bayesian Networks** Applications

Grading

- problem series (and discussion)
- exam

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